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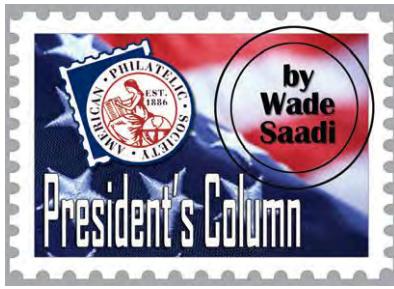
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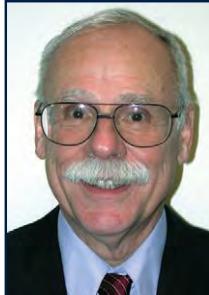
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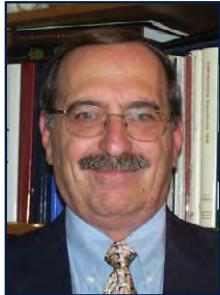


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## Smithsonian National Postal Museum (NPM)

I was at the Smithsonian NPM on June 3 and 4 for a Council of Philatelists meeting. It was amazing to see the new William H. Gross Gallery under construction. It is due to be completed this coming September with a grand opening on September 22. This is a testament to the greatness of our hobby, to the vision of Museum Director Allen Kane and his staff, and the generosity of stamp collectors everywhere. The entire project will be paid for by donations/grants raised by the museum; all \$18 million. This will be a street-level Smithsonian museum and directly across from Union Station and a few blocks from the Capitol, where millions of people pass by every year. It will serve as a center of our hobby; to attract new collectors and showcase the world's rarities for philatelists. I got goose bumps standing amidst the space being renovated. It is the only Smithsonian museum dedicated to a hobby; ours!

If someone tells you stamp collecting is dead, have them go take a look at the Stamps Teach program, created by a team from the NPM and the APS. All this was planned and conceived in less than five years. It is being run by the APS Education Department. I wrote about this in my column



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once before and I have an update and it is fantastic news. The second pilot was launched and is towards completion. So far for both waves, we have:

- 323 teachers in 29 states have presented StampsTeach lessons
- 10,000 children have received StampsTeach materials
- 3,300 children were evaluated by their teachers
- 1,500 children sent their individual self-reply cards to APS with their personal evaluation
- 140 children registered in the APS Young Stamp Club of America (YSCA)
- Right now, 99 of the 325 members of YSCA are from StampsTeach!!!
- 75% of the children want more lessons with stamps?
- 87% of the children responded they “like to collect things”

By any measure, these numbers are super. This project does not teach kids about stamp collecting, but rather places real stamps into the hands of children as a visual tool to a lesson plan. They use the stamps to answer questions and fill in blanks. Kids love tactile things and they love to use tools to achieve things. This is possibly the best tactic that has ever been presented for getting so many youngsters to handle stamps in a beneficial way.

This is what happens when organizations work together towards achieving a common goal. Do all initiatives always work? No. Does that mean we should stop trying? Hell no! That is not what made America a great nation. The antonyms for advancement and improvement are stagnation and regression. Is that a choice? Not to me. Most great achievements come after failure; that's what often confers something to be “great.” It didn't come easily; it was striven for and perfected. Which one of these is your moral ethic? “If at first you don't succeed, try, try again.” “If you fail, quit.”

The APS has come a long way in the last few years and it was not by doing the same thing over and over again. For those who may be unaware, it came from drastic changes and redefining our operating plan, reshaping the fiscal structure of the Society. Four years ago, Unrestricted Undesignated Assets were at a low of -\$550,000. At the spending pace the Society was on, it would have run out of money in less than one year. As of December 2012, Unrestricted Undesignated Assets were at a high of \$877,300. That is a swing of nearly 1½ million dollars; not a simple task, but it was accomplished. It is because the Board planned something different than we were doing and the Staff executed it; and hey, it was very successful! The APS is on a strong path and has great opportunities ahead.

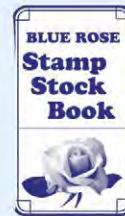
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## eBay Listings Blocked

I am writing to make members of the APS aware that, as of early APRIL, eBay and PayPal have been blocking the listing of stamps and covers from Cuba, Sudan, North Korea, Syria, Iran, and other countries on which the United States government has placed an embargo. However, eBay has been using an automated program to block *all* material based on keywords, regardless of whether the item is one that is actually banned by the embargo.

This means that stamps that predate the 1962 Cuban embargo, and stamps from Spanish and American occupations of Cuba are banned. eBay's Turbo Lister has prevented me from listing a U.S. stamp from 1929 with a USS *Seattle* cancel because it was postmarked at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. I also had a U.S. postal card blocked because it was postmarked from Soudan, Minnesota. This

means a lot of U.S. postal history will be blocked from the site. There are forty-one towns in the United States named Cuba. eBay took the easy way out, but it's detrimental to the hobby to impose a blanket ban.

Worse than that, sellers on eBay and Delcampe that use PayPal have been receiving warning letters telling them that if they sell any covers or stamps from any country on which there is an embargo then their seller accounts can be limited or suspended. This is not only happening to U.S. sellers, but also to sellers in the United Kingdom. There are postings on the eBay and Delcampe forums from numerous sellers who have been experiencing this recent problem.

Apparently, eBay and PayPal have been strict in over-enforcing the ban, because the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Treasury Department has complained to both eBay and PayPal.

Please alert the APS community



about this problem before it causes more problems for stamp dealers and collectors alike.

**William Battles**

*Hoosick Falls, New York*

**Editor's reply:** Executive Director Ken Martin contacted eBay when this letter was received but, as of press time, no response from eBay has been received by the APS.

## CEO Necessary?

APS and many other organizations are experiencing declining membership and difficulty raising funds. Whether creating a new CEO position will solve these challenges is questionable.

The organization is just getting back on a sound financial footing, which can be attributed to staff cuts, benefit cuts, other planned reductions, and rent from the newly developed rental property. If membership continues to decline, it could jeopardize the organization's financial position.

Ken Lawrence has pointed out in several articles in *Linn's* and *The American Philatelist* that hiring a fund raiser has not worked in the past. Why would hiring a CEO create a different outcome?

We fail to realize that there are many other deserving nonprofit organizations. Why would a non-collector donate to a philatelic organization with all these other organizations soliciting funds?



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1. Hire an assistant for Ken Martin. The assistant would be responsible for day-to-day operations, allowing Ken to focus on major fund raising and membership projects.
2. Improve the organization's expertizing services by purchasing a new, updated crime scope.
3. The future of the hobby and APS is getting the next generation involved in collecting. We should provide more funds and support to people working with young collectors, such as Alex Haimann. We also need to provide additional funding for organizations like Stamp Camp and the APS youth program. The future of the hobby is building membership by appealing to future young collectors.

4. Return the benefits the staff lost in the downsizing.
5. APS should have a representative at all major and regional stamp shows. (This service was cut in the downsizing.)

These are only a few possible ways to strengthen the hobby and APS *without* hiring a CEO.

**Dick Osman**

Glenville, Pennsylvania

### Voting Decision

Regarding Wade Saadi's comments in the May AP and in the May 13th issue of *Linn's*: Ethos? Symbiosis? Let's use the windshield and not the rear-view mirror? Fear as a natural by-product?

He appears to be recharged by a sense of grandiloquence. Like an outgoing battle cry!

He got my attention; my vote is on its way!

**Tom De Boever**

Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

### Vision Does Not Agree

As a 35+ year member of the APS I feel compelled to respond to Wade Saadi's column in the May AP. I have mailed in my APS ballot and, among other votes, I have chosen to vote No in the Bylaws item. I have voted No, not because the Bylaws are not in need of revision but because voting Yes would approve the addition of a CEO to the APS staff. So, I guess I am one of those members who want to drive the car by looking in the rear view mirror since my vision of the future does not agree with yours.

I suspect that I am not the only person who felt personally insulted by your remarks in the column. I am the Executive Director of a small, worldwide professional society composed mainly of mechanical engineers. I have some familiarity with the issues you have raised. While I believe that the goals you enumerated for the APS going forward are quite reasonable, I find that your proposed actions are less than ideal.

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Come up with a real plan to achieve your goals. Adding a CEO is likely to cost hundreds of thousands of dollars. Please don't tell me that increased donations will cover that in the first five years of your plan. We may need to re-structure the staff. We may need to hire someone with fund raising experience. There are a number of different ways to get there.

The APS membership has amply demonstrated its willingness to offer time and expertise to the Society when it is needed. Why don't you get more of the membership involved in brainstorming solutions? You might be surprised at their response. Of course, I may not be the only member who believes he is owed an apology. You might start with that.

**Tom Proulx**

Norwalk, Connecticut

**Wade Saadi's reply:** Thank you for your email and thoughts on the APS. It appears we differ in our view of how to proceed regarding the needs of APS management team going forward. The proposed Bylaws changes do not authorize the APS to hire a CEO, but rather removes from the Bylaws any assignment of responsibilities to a particular staff individual. As was stated on an



## More on Midway

While writing our June AP article "Not So Fast! Japanese Navy Mail Forwarded to Midway, 1942" by Larry Sherman and Maj. Ted Bahry (page 552), I was a bit disappointed that we did not have any mail to show from Midway during the actual battle.

Right after that article went to press, I found a cover dated June 3, 1942, from a marine on Midway, which is shown here. The opening tears may offend some nitpickers, but they were most likely caused by a receiving loved one anxiously awaiting news after the battle.

Now, can anyone help me find covers dated June 4, 5, and 6 from Midway? Thank you very much and Semper Fi!

**Ted Bahry**

Arcadia, Michigan



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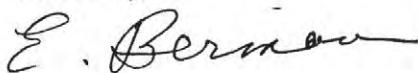
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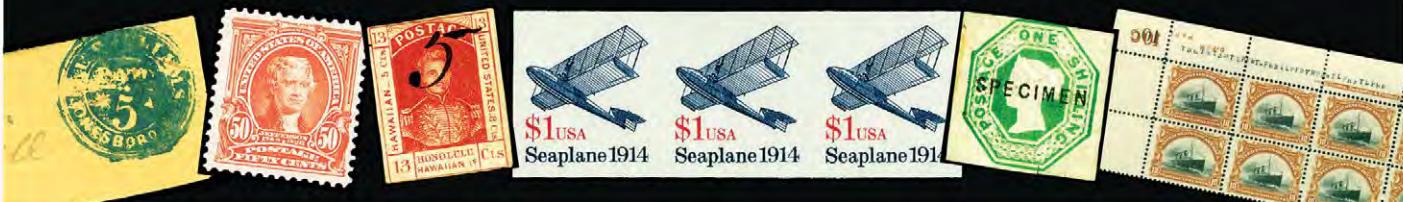
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open telephonic Board meeting where the Board fielded questions from the membership about the Bylaws proposal, the hiring of a CEO is not a membership issue, but rather a Board issue. The membership elected a Board to handle such matters for it.

I am glad you concede that the APS Board and Personnel Committee may have information that is not publicly available as it has to do with evaluating staff, currently and towards the future, which is clearly addressed in our openness policy as an exception. I would welcome the opportunity for further discussion by telephone with you. In closing, just because we have different opinions on these matters, it does not require either of us to apologize to the other.

## Save the Gum

I was astonished to read Peter Ladron's opinion about gum removal for mint stamps in the March AP ("Value of Gum," page 204). I understand that the stamps from 1935 to present have lower

value, in most cases, than stamps from prior periods. However, purposefully removing the gum is destroying the stamp for future generations of collectors.

If his theory and practice are followed by many in this generation, then the stamps from 1935 to self-adhesives will cease to have any collectible value to future collectors.

I'm saddened to imagine all these years of stamps that will have no value. However, that will make mine worth much more than they currently are. So don't stop on my account, but please think of two or three generations of collectors from now.

**Heather Gantz**

Clawson, Michigan

## Yankee Post Offices

The article by Danilo A. Mueses in the May AP ("Yankee Post Offices in Santo Domingo," page 436) was very well written and gave a very thoughtful insight into one of the United States' military interventions in Latin America and

the Caribbean during the first half of the twentieth century.

As a former U.S. Marine Corps officer it was interesting to see two of the participating regiments by company composition listed on the sender's return addresses. The 15th Marine Regiment later became the artillery regiment of the 6th Marine Division that fought in the battle of Okinawa. It was deactivated following World War II. The 4th Marine Regiment has had a long and storied past with its service in Shanghai, China and its defense of the Philippine Islands at the beginning of World War II. It was reestablished in the early 1950s, fought in Viet Nam, and still exists as part of the 3rd Marine Division on Okinawa.

It was also interesting to see the names of a variety of U.S. Navy ships that participated in the Dominican intervention, from yachts to gunboats to cruisers to battleships and others. The USS *Nokomis* that appeared on the return address of the cover on page 438 began life as the personal yacht of Horace E. Dodge



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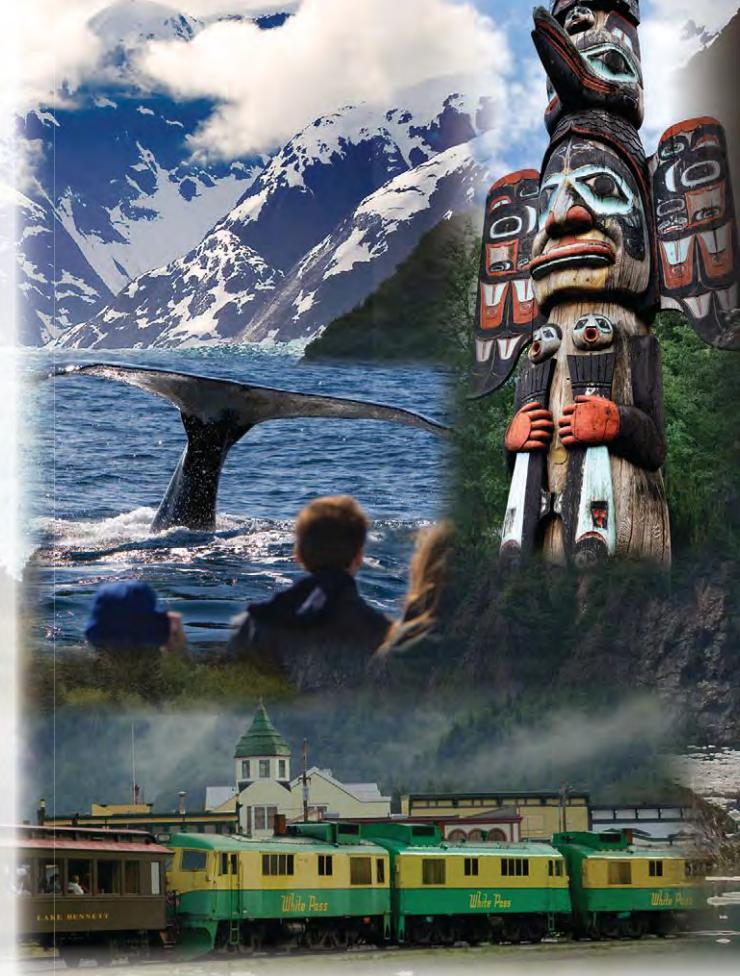
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of automobile fam. The *Nokomis* was acquired by the Navy as a patrol vessel (SP-609) during World War I and was later designated as a patrol yacht (PY-6).

The reference to the USS *New Jersey* on page 441 as an "ironclad" is a misidentification of her type of vessel. The *New Jersey* (BB-16) was a pre-dreadnought battleship of the Virginia class that participated in the around-the-world cruise of the Great White Fleet. She was in commission from 1906 to 1920 and was eventually sunk by aircraft as part of the demonstration of air power by U.S. Army General Billy Mitchell.

Another ship listed was the USS *Memphis*. The *Memphis* began life as the armored cruiser USS *Tennessee* (ACR-10), the name ship of her class, but was renamed *Memphis* to free up that state's name for a newly authorized battleship (BB-43) that survived the Pearl Harbor attack. In describing the loss of the *Memphis*, the author states that all of its forty-three crew members died. The USS *Memphis* had a complement of more

than 800 men. The human loss Mr. Mueses lists was not the entire crew but included some of the crew aboard as well as crew members from a small boat that was attempting to return to the ship at the time the waves struck.

The USS *Castine*, a gunboat (PG-6), was the oldest of the ships mentioned in the article, serving from 1892 to 1919. Finally, the USS *Wright*, shown on the cover on page 442, was not a "gunship." The *Wright* was originally acquired as a tender to lighter-than-air aircraft (AZ-1), but later was designated as a seaplane tender and was classified AV-1 at the time of the cover's postal cancellation in 1935.

Again, I very much appreciated and enjoyed Mr. Mueses' article.

**Daniel J. Murphy**  
Chapin, South Carolina

## House & Wilson

My thanks go to William B. Murray for his very interesting article "President Wilson and Colonel House" in the

April AP (page 336). I would like to add a little information to one of Mr. Murray's statements. On page 339 the author writes that, "The exact moment and real motives still remain a bit obscure, but at some point during these final negotiations, House's special relationship with Wilson floundered."

Colonel House went from virtually the only person in the American delegation that Wilson trusted to a complete break in their relationship. Probably this occurred on March 13 when President Wilson returned from America to the negotiations. House had remained at the conference while Wilson was in America. During this period Colonel House had continued to negotiate on behalf of President Wilson. Immediately upon his return Wilson met with House until after midnight. After the meeting Wilson was visibly distraught. He told his wife that "House has given away everything I had won before we left Paris." For further reading, an excellent book on the negotiations and final Treaty of Versailles is *The*

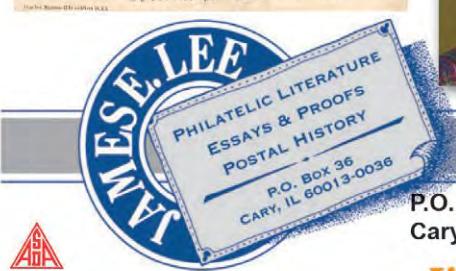
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## Selling Stamp Collections

I have been reading with interest the discussions in the AP about selling one's stamp collection. I'm a part-time dealer who began selling his own collection to feed the kids twenty plus years ago. It was fun and profitable enough to keep going to this day — with new stock, of course. Along the way I've learned a few key lessons:

### 1. Value of Collecting

It's not the stamps. I've had high-pressure jobs most of my life — cab driver, paramedic, teacher, entrepreneur — and stress related health problems — lymphoma, heart attack, etc. I've meanwhile successfully been part of raising four kids and survived. I'm sure part of it was the stress relief of collecting. How does one value that?

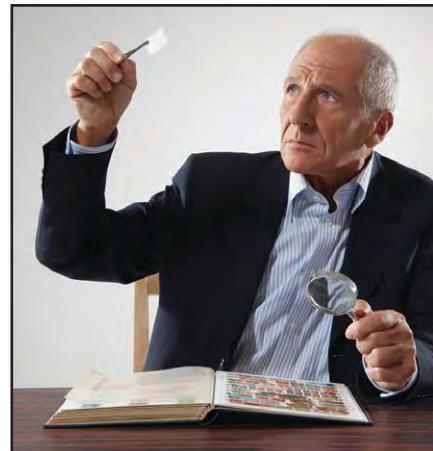
A big plus is that most collectors I know are polite, friendly people with an above-average knowledge of history, geography, and politics gleaned from collecting. They have richer lives of the mind. How do you value that?

In short, collectors live better and longer. That's way past financial value.

### 2. What Collectors Really Pay Dealers For

Rarely is it the stamps themselves. In the past, stamps were over-touted as investment assets. In reality, only a small portion are.

What one pays a stamp dealer for is their time, expertise, and business expenses. Assuming a dealer wants to make say, twice minimum wage, he needs to add a few dollars to every item sold, because it takes the dealer from several minutes to several hours to buy, sell, package, ship, etc., the item. I say "several minutes to several hours" because some items come from well-organized collections while others must



be "mined" from disorganized hoards. Large lots may need to be cleaned up and/or catalogued, and rare items must be researched and expertized, which can take hours.

Can people get around the dealer and buy or sell direct from or to another collector? Sure, if they've got the time and want to take the risk. Then the buyer or seller pays in time, not money. For a collector with limited time, pay-



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ing for a dealer's time and expertise may be worthwhile. The question of whether one pays in time or money must be answered by each individual, but everyone pays.

Can you keep a large portion of intrinsic value from stamps? Yes, only collect rare, sought after, stamps: stamps that have gone to what I call "market heaven".

### 3. Some Stamps Go To Market Heaven, Most Don't

If you look at the "ending soonest" section of eBay, Delcampe, or other online auction services, you'll note that most stamps do not sell at auction for even a small portion of catalogue value. About two-thirds of my auctioned stamps — leftovers from my approval service — do, and eBay tells me my rate is "extraordinary." Similarly with the APS website; anything you see in multiple copies of say, more than five is unlikely to sell soon for more than a small fraction of catalogue value. It doesn't mat-

ter what the catalogue says: real market value approaches zero, or perhaps below that, because there are costs of storage, insurance, organizing, etc. The best value realization for these is through donation: you'll get a tax break and people or causes you care about get pleasure and help.

Stamps in market heaven? These are the stamps people now seek to acquire. A few examples:

- Stamps from economies that have grown and/or are growing rapidly in economic power such as China and other far eastern countries, stamps of Russia and its former satellites, and often the mid-East.
- Stamps identified world-wide as value-holders such as zeps, some countries' #1s, early China classics, etc.
- XF to superb stamps, often MNH.
- Some stamps derided a few decades ago as "speculative" and thus not saved.

Of course, the market is fickle; this

could change. Look for stamps and collections with ten bids or more at auctions, or look at the empty spaces in circuit books; this will give you the current picture.

### 4. Online Sales

This has been a fast growing market through eBay and Delcampe, although most auction houses and many dealers also maintain websites. There are problems with authenticity and grading, etc; some people clearly have no clue or lie about stamp condition, identity, and catalogue values. Also, auctions are mercurial; if something seems like it's being bid up over value it often is. Likewise, a valuable stamp may not sell when first listed simply because the right people don't have spare time or money to buy that week. The APS site, circuit books and consigning to dealers who will take a percentage may be better alternatives. Speed is not always the seller's friend.

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# A Frontier Celebration

The letter illustrated was posted at Brackettville, Texas (Kinney County) on May 5, 1876. Brackettville was a supply village for Fort Clark, one of the defensive forts along the western frontier that were established to protect Texas settlements from Indian attacks and also to protect the overland stage routes to California.

The letter (datelined Fort Clark, Texas, May 2, 1876) was written by Captain Francis Quinn, Co. K, 10th Infantry, to his sister, Mrs. Mary Lanning, in Trenton, New Jersey. A post office had been established at Fort Clark September 6, 1855 and remained in operation until May 5, 1873, including the Civil War years as a Confederate facility. After the 1873 closing, all mail was handled out of Brackettville.

What were the troops doing besides protecting the frontier? Among their duties was stringing telegraph lines. In one letter (there are nine covers in the Lanning correspondence, with seven enclosures) Captain Quinn describes finishing a 125-mile line from Fort Clark to San Antonio and beginning a new line to Fort Duncan. In another letter he tells about being out on "an Indian scout" when the troop encountered a huge prairie grass fire and describes the measures it took to save the command. Apparently, his sister had asked in an earlier letter if he had gotten any valentines and his answer was "No!" He added that he didn't think there were any "way out here" but that there probably were lots of them "flying around" back there in Trenton.

While all of the letters carry interesting commentary, probably the most fascinating was enclosed in the cover shown. The year 1876 marked the centennial of our country's founding, and there were all kinds of gala festivities, grand balls, et cetera, being held in the eastern towns and cities. Quinn's first request to his sister is that she send him copies of *Frank Leslie's Illustrated and Harper's Weekly*, "as I suppose they are full of the Philadelphia Centennial [and] I would be much pleased to get the account given in these papers."

But what about the troops on the western frontier? Did they have the time, the inclination, and the facilities to cel-



brate? Perhaps at some posts they didn't, but at Fort Clark they went all out. Captain Quinn's description follows:

There is but little news here for me to relate except the Grand Ball that we gave by the Company on the 19th of the month. It was a perfect success, the only one that was ever given in the Post by a Company where the officers and their Ladies staid to and after supper. It will be Published in the New York Army & Navy Journal of next week as well as several other Papers as there was several reporters at it. It is said by everyone that it was the finest Ball ever given on the Frontiers, and the Decorations and Designs "it being a Centennial Ball" was made and gotten up by the Company alone. The room is 120 feet long by 35 wide. The sides and ceilings was one mass of Flags with Evergreens, Flowers and Designs intermingled, Coats of Arms, Shields, Chandeliers and Curtains, all trimmed with Red, White and Blue and the Music by Sixteen pieces of the 8th Cavalry Band. The Supper and wines cost Two hundred and fourteen Dollars. Maybe you think we cannot Give a good Ball out here. There was over two hundred guests took supper.

A good Ball indeed!

R. H. Stever, Corpus Christi, Texas

belong to similar overseas stamp organizations. That way, if someone makes a mistake, you have redress and know in advance you are dealing with a person of honor.

## 5. Can You Make Money in Stamps?

Well, I have, but I think it's like other commodities people make money in: you've got to put in the time and study market shifts, give good service, and be content with making a living, not a kill-

ing. My greatest difficulty, by the way, is buying; I am back-ordered to almost all my approval clients, who of course, want stamps found in market heaven.

## 6. Sell To Recruit

However you sell, use it to recruit. Pass out recruitment cards at your local stamp show, enclose them with stamps sold in other countries (yes, APS can use foreign members!), send them to people who answer your ads, and so forth. Keeping the market healthy requires or-

ganizations that keep educational and moral standards high. So build the APS!

Jeff Barnard  
Monterey, California

## Sol Salinger's Address

I thoroughly enjoyed the article by Timothy Farrell, "Sol Salinger's Stamp Collection," in the May AP (page 448). The Salinger family history, connection to stamp collecting, and insight into J.D. Salinger's life were succinctly connected.

I must comment, however, on Mr. Farrell's assumptions about Manhattan society and geography when he refers to Salinger's "residency near Central Park." (I grew up in the Bronx. Manhattan is just across the Harlem River, a subway ride away.)

Sol Salinger appears to have been a successful business person and, as noted on the covers addressed to him, lived on Park Avenue ("Yorkville" and "East Side" neighborhoods). On Park Avenue, at 97th Street, is where the N.Y. Central Railroad tracks miraculously transition from an elevated route above 97th Street to sunken, invisible routes heading south toward Grand Central Station at 42nd Street. The old commuter line still brings commuters from affluent suburbs (Westchester County, Connecticut, etc.) through East Harlem and the more af-

luent neighborhoods to the south. The geographic delineation at East 97th Street remains in place still: above 97th Street, residents see and hear trains; below 97th, no evidence of an "iron horse" is evident.

The Salinger residence, 1133 Park Avenue, is just off East 91st Street, still an acceptable address, and certainly so when the Salingers resided there. But, notably, Park Avenue is two *long* blocks east of fashionable Fifth Avenue. Fifth forms the eastern edge of Central Park.

The measure of success and affluence in Manhattan is not necessarily proximity to Central Park. It is a mixture of address, neighborhood, proximity to theaters, museums, rivers, galleries, etc. Harlem, while experiencing a renaissance, is still a relatively poor collection of neighborhoods, even though it bor-

ders Central Park to the north.

Park Avenue, north of 97th Street, even where it is only blocks from Central Park, has not been known as an oasis of notable residences.

**Rick Herman**

*Lido Beach, New York*

## **APS Member?**

The article "Sol Salinger's Stamp Collection" was a nice story about one man's hobby.

One question: Was Sol an APS member?

**Lewis Hurwitz**

*San Francisco, California*

**Editor's reply:** Regrettfully, we must report that there is no record in the archives of Sol Salinger ever having been an APS member. We did find one "Morris" though....

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# Precanceled Bicentennial Souvenir Sheets

The 1976 United States set of four Bicentennial souvenir sheets (Scott 1686–1689), released May 29, 1976, just in time for the Interphil 76 show, are known primarily for their ungainly size, awkward designs and major errors — fifty-seven different Scott-listed, in fact — a number that dwarfs major errors on any other U.S. issue. What this issue is not generally known for, however, is its five different precancel types, each of which was officially applied by government printing presses. They are not yet listed in Scott, but with the rise in interest in mint-condition Bureau precancel types (most of which are now listed), I would think they will take their rightful place among specialized listings in the not-too-distant future. But what are they? Few collectors even know these precancels exist.

I won't attempt to retell the entire story of the souvenir sheets or their production. That was the subject of a wonderful monograph by George Brett and Col. James T. DeVoss, produced by the APS in 1982.<sup>1</sup> The story also appeared as a two-part feature in the December 1980 and Janu-

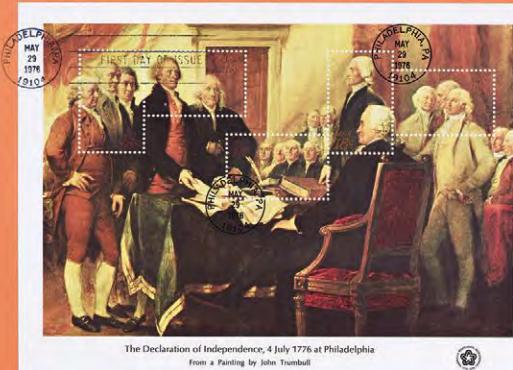


**Bicentennial Souvenir Sheet**



The Surrender of Lord Cornwallis at Yorktown  
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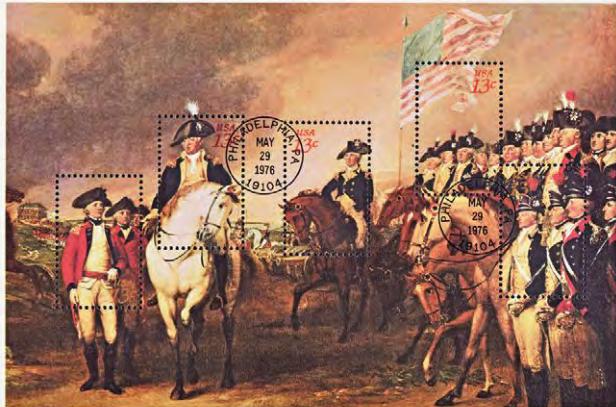
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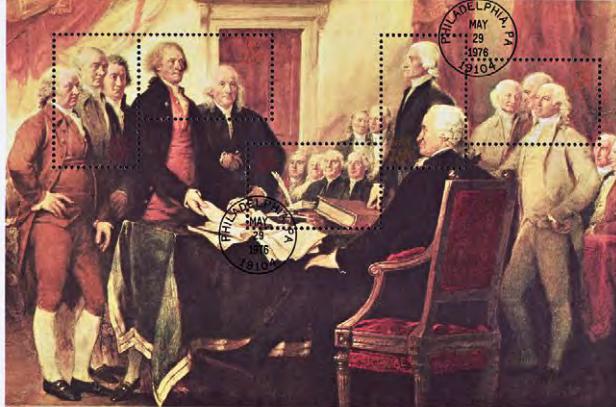


Washington Reviewing His Ragged Army at Valley Forge  
From a Painting by William T. Trego

The most common form of precanceled Bicentennial sheets is on oversized first-day covers or other products, such as these souvenir pages.



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A mint set of four Bicentennial souvenir sheets. Each sheet bears two printed "cancels." An enlargement shows the May 29, 1976 printed first day bull's-eye "cancel" found on the somewhat scarce precanceled sheets.

ary 1981 issues of *The American Philatelist*. But it is important to note that the issue originally was supposed to have been printed by offset lithography and line-engraved intaglio.

Near the eleventh hour, just weeks before they were to be released, the U.S. Postal Service opted to print them entirely by "offset," utilizing "dry offset" (which is actually a form of letterpress printing) for the denominations. Thus, the sheets were produced by offset lithography (the basic designs), dry offset (denominations), letterpress (the tagging), and letterpress perforating (perforating was actually performed on an old Miehle currency press). This meant that all regular-production stamps required five passes through a press. Those that were precanceled required a sixth. This was accomplished by

letterpress on one type and by offset on the other. Details to follow.

It shouldn't be news to anyone that the entire production of these souvenir sheets was plagued by misfires, false starts, and printing issues. Since the Bureau of Engraving and Printing was using a new type of dull-gum pregummed paper, there were even bad batches of paper!

Confounding issues, the set was "Black-Blotted" by the American Philatelic Society during its famous but short-lived stamp censoring exercise. But the issue also has many interesting facets to redeem it as an enduring collectible. Among these are the different precanceled versions. These items, of which there are five different, exist both mint and used, and are not common. One type may be considered rare.



I first became aware of the Bicentennial precancels when Al "Tag" Boerger (who later became a good friend) wrote about them in the September 27, 1976, issue of *Linn's Stamp News*. In that article (partially quoted below), Boerger noted that the production of precanceled souvenir sheets was done by the BEP on orders from USPS officials. The reason the first type was created was to facilitate the

processing of first-day covers. All printing of the first cancellation type (two cancels on each of the four sheets) was done on BEP presses by letterpress plates supplied by the Government Printing Office. The second type, described later, was printed by offset only on the 18-cent sheet.

The first-day unit in Washington, DC, had first tried this successfully with the 13-cent 50 State Flag panes, which were affixed to oversized envelopes. In that case, a few hand-stamp cancelers "tied" the precanceled panes to covers. Each of the panes used in this manner was pre-printed with neat dated bull's-eye cancels. To the best of my knowledge these exist only on first-day cover and have never been found mint, nor is it known how many were produced. What

sets the Bicentennial sheets apart is the fact they were sold in mint condition to collectors and first-day cover producers.

As the May 29, 1976 first-day event for the souvenir sheets loomed large (production of the sheets was way behind schedule), the first-day cover unit in Philadelphia welcomed the shipment of its precanceled souvenir sheets with open arms as a huge time-saver. According to Boerger,

...special sheet "wetters" were used to dampen a sheet prior to placement on the envelope, and a single handstamp "tied" each sheet to its cover. The product was professional looking, and one demonstration convinced all of its labor-saving advantages.

Our advance order for sheets was placed by phone, and no mention was given at the time regarding any printed cancellations. Arriving in Philadelphia on the 28th to pay for this order, we were asked how many "cancelled" sheets would be needed. At first we were not sure; some would be used at INTERPHIL and others at Benjamin Franklin Post Office for special cancellations.

Early on the 29th, we picked up our order of sheets, which contained both types. At INTERPHIL, we joined one line seeking cancellations, and it took us just a minute to decide on using the pre-cancelled sheets. One postal clerk was performing a nice job, but

## Why Do I Collect the U.S. Bicentennial Souvenir Sheets?

For many of us, what we choose to collect, how we collect it, and how certain items catch our attention are based on emotional factors. This certainly holds true for many of the things I collect — both major interests and sidelines.

One of my emotional single-issue sidelines involves a stamp issue with which I would never otherwise be interested. I'm referring, of course, to the Bicentennial souvenir sheets, one of our own country's "Wallpaper" issues. I mean, really, what is there to recommend them? First, they comprise a speculative issue designed to part collectors from their money. They're also large, not particularly attractive and designed so that — at least as individual stamps — are all but nonsensical from a design point of view. And there are the errors.... But I digress.

My appetite for souvenir sheets in general was whetted when I was about eight years old and visited the home of a family friend who was a longtime collector. Mr. Murphy, grumpy but happy to show his collection to me, had stacks of the 1930s Farley's Folly issues. He, of course, had bought them at face value from the post office. Roughly thirty years later, as I viewed them, I couldn't hope to own those beauties on my meager lawn mowing money, but they called to me. I was thrilled when I was first able to obtain a 1947 CIPEX souvenir sheet and, later, a couple of ragged Farleys.

By the time I was in high school, I was a devoted space-filling collector who purchased every new issue as it was released. I also did my best to locate properly used examples of each stamp for my album, soaking stamps off virtually every cover I received. I never forgot about Mr. Murphy or his souvenir sheets.

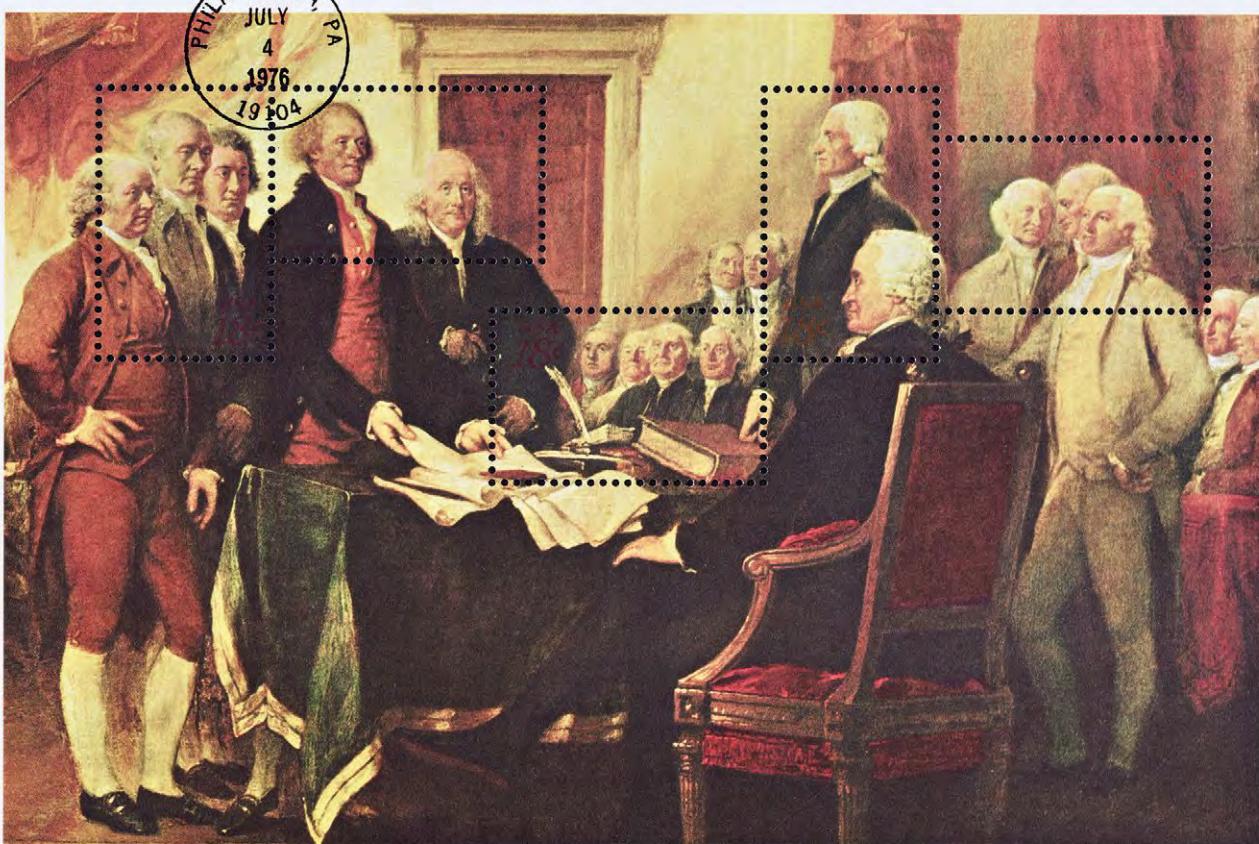
When the announcement was made that the USPS would

release a set of souvenir sheets for the Bicentennial celebration in 1976, I was excited. But that enthusiasm waned as soon as I saw the proposed designs. Still, they were new U.S. issues — souvenir sheets no less — and I planned to purchase and use them.

Then it was announced the sheets would be sold only through specific philatelic sources for a very limited period of time. I was simply frustrated. I had never yet ordered anything from the Sales Division, had no philatelic window near my town, and wasn't sure how to proceed. Since it appeared I wouldn't be able to obtain mint sets, I decided to collect used examples instead. However, none of the collectors with whom I corresponded at the time used the stamps on mail, and the mint sheets were soon advertised at prices well above the standard double face value retail of new issues. I waited. Not much longer after that, I went to college, graduated, started a family and had an extremely limited stamp budget. The sheets never found their way into my album.

Fast forward three decades (about the same time period that elapsed between Mr. Murphy's purchase and when I first saw them). As I began occasionally purchasing collections to break down for resale, I found I was beginning to accumulate Bicentennial sheets unintentionally. In examining my habits (and the quantity I had accumulated), I realized this was emotional hoarding, the result of the end of a long drought.

Although there are many things about this issue I still do not like (and therefore do not collect), I do find it enjoyable to seek out contemporaneous commercial uses (of which there are surprisingly few) and, of course, the precancels that are the subject of this column.



The Declaration of Independence, 4 July 1776 at Philadelphia

From a Painting by John Trumbull



Few collectors know of this fifth style of precanceled sheet, with a single July 4, 1976 Bicentennial printed cancel touching two stamps on the sheet. The printed cancel on the 18-cent sheet, was printed by an offset press set up at USPS headquarters in Washington, DC.

it took him five minutes to complete an order of two sets of sheets.

Later that afternoon we returned to purchase additional "dated" sheets. The supply on two values was already limited. Really no problem: we used all of our available funds in picking up other values.

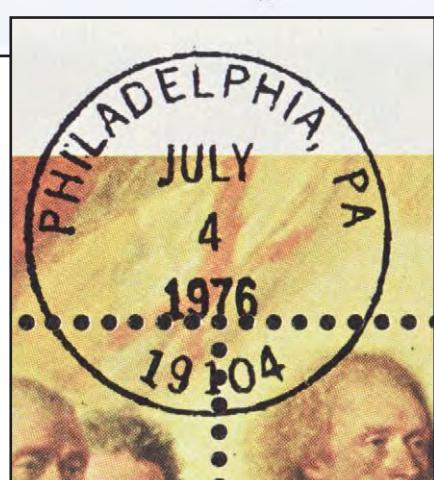
While seeking additional stock a few days later, it was explained to us by USPS that these sheets being dated were only sold on the first day of issue.

## So How Scarce Are Bicentennial Precancels?

According to BEP records, precanceled souvenir sheets were created only from the first two press runs, with a total of 205,000 sets canceled, all with the May 29, 1976 first-day date. It is not known if

any were destroyed. All those sold on the first day were from the first press run of 150,000, produced between April 1 and May 12. The additional 55,000 from the second run (July 13–23) were almost all certainly used for USPS-produced FDCs and other products, such as souvenir pages. Since precanceled sheets account for a little more than 10 percent of the total printing of souvenir sheet sets (just over 1.9 million), they are not scarce on first-day cover. Most of those full sheets found on commercially produced FDCs, USPS souvenir pages and other items are, indeed, precanceled. This means that only a tiny minority could have been saved in mint condition.

Other than Boerger, I know of no one who intentionally saved any quantity of precanceled sets of souvenir sheets. Most collectors weren't aware of them at



the time and few yet cared about Bureau precanceled items, and "canceled" sheets lost their postage value if they weren't used on first-day covers. Even those involved with the Precancel Stamp Society have been slow to recognize these varieties, much less embrace them as a separate and distinct stamp type.

If even 4 percent of the 205,000 precanceled sets produced were saved mint (and that's likely very generous), there

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could only be a few more than 8,000 mint sets in existence. Compare this with the 1994 “Wrong Bill Pickett” Legends of the West sheetlet, of which 150,000 were sold and nearly all exist mint.

### The “Other” Precancel

But these are not the only precanceled Bicentennial souvenir sheets. There is another type — one of which very few collectors are aware.

On August 2, 1976, after souvenir sheets were supposedly no longer available for purchase, the USPS sent out a press release regarding a “Bicentennial Memento Packet,” which contained one 18-cent souvenir sheet and three prints. The packet sold for \$2, including shipping. The 18-cent souvenir sheet bears a printed Philadelphia July 4, 1976 “cancel” that is placed near the top of the left two stamps.

In this case, to prepare the sheets, a Davidson offset press was set up at USPS headquarters at L’Enfant Plaza in Washington, DC, where 70,000 were overprinted. Of these, only 25,916 were sold in sets. The remaining 44,084 were destroyed.

Because these precanceled sheets were marketed and sold almost exclusively to non-philatelic consumers, very few have ever entered the philatelic marketplace and it is assumed that the destruction rate is very high. In his 1980–81 article, Brett noted that this partially canceled sheet is a “very elusive item.” They also were never sold in philatelic centers. Thus, if we apply the same 4 percent survival rate to these as we did the sets of first-day precancels (again, likely generous), we can assume that maybe only a few more than 1,000 — if that — still exist.

If you are able to locate these items in your collection, count yourself fortunate. If not, you will have a great deal of difficulty locating any of them. In my opinion they’re worth searching for.

#### Endnote

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# Pasteup Usage of Western Express Franks

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One of the principal reasons for the creation of the Express Mail of 1836–1839 was the challenge to the Post Office Department posed by private express companies as to who could deliver the fastest mail transportation.<sup>1</sup> Merchants from New Orleans and Mobile and their counterparts in New York and Philadelphia were able to make greater profits if they knew the prices of commodities before their competitors. Not surprisingly, the majority of express mail letters sent were from merchants selling on commission for whom the increased speed of the express service justified the very high rates of triple postage for the horseback carrier service it offered, instead of the slower stages and wagons. This was the first pony express.

Within a few years, railroads and then the telegraph rendered the Express Mail service unnecessary for the transmittal of price information, but the transportation of money and legal papers relating to money became an increasing point of contention for the postal service as small companies sprang up to make use of new methods of transportation such as the railroad. There were two groups of these private express companies: those that carried mail within a city, going to and from the post office, *the independent mail carriers*, and those that carried mail between cities, sometimes out of the mail altogether, *the private express companies*. Small packages also were carried by these express companies, which

**Editor's Note:** For this article, the author has provided an extraordinary selection of illustrations featuring these amazing covers, none of which we were willing to leave out. In order to accomplish this, and to present them in as large a format as possible, an extensive online album has been prepared that gives detailed information on a number of additional examples of Western Express Franks.

initially used existing transportation lines. During the 1840s the Post Office fought back by declaring many routes "post roads" and declaring that only the Post Office Department could transport letters on such post roads.

As steamboats became major transporters of mail — in particular along the western rivers, which were then the frontier of the country — their routes also were declared to be post roads. Thus it was illegal for boats to carry mail "out of the mails."<sup>2</sup> The surviving letters show that only the bills of lading relating to freight on the steamboats were postage free; other letters had to pay three cents postage whether entering the post office or not. Earlier, letters could be carried on individual steamboats when the captains asked the post office for an additional two cents ship fee, but the Post Office increasingly gave mail contracts to steamboat lines along the main routes.<sup>3</sup> Usually the captain of a steamboat brought the incoming letters to the post office unless they were bills of lading, in which case they were given directly to the person claiming the freight. Vessel-named markings frequently were placed on both types of steamboat letters as a form of advertising.<sup>4</sup>

## Origins of the Western Franks

When the discovery of gold in California caused thousands of persons to travel west to seek their fortunes, the Post Office was unable initially to provide mail service to the huge influx of miners. The express companies that were formed to carry letters also served as a means of transporting the gold from miners to safer places of repository (if a miner left his claim, someone else might steal it). The solution for controlling the revenue generated by the mail carried by these many express companies, as far as the Post Office Department was concerned, was to compel all letters to pay U.S. postage in addition to the express postage fees.

The carrying of mail by private companies was legalized by the Act of August 31, 1852, which provided for the payment of U.S. postage as well as the express fees for any let-

ter carried by the express companies. This was one of the reasons that the Post Office began issuing stamped envelopes July 1, 1853. Such envelopes were used extensively by both steam-boats and express companies. Stamps were used before the issuance of the envelopes, but once the stamped envelopes became available, it became illegal to use stamps to pay postage on covers carried by private expresses although, in practice, stamps were still used occasionally.

Once the stamped envelopes were available for general usage, the express companies marked the envelopes with their names to show that the person mailing the letter had paid both the postage and the express fee. Usually the express fee is not indicated on the company envelopes, but a private individual who wished to use the express service had to buy his or her envelopes from the individual express company agent. The printed (occasionally handstamped) marking that the express company put on the envelope is called the express "frank." Some franks were just lines of type, but many were more illustrated. A person who did a regular business over an express route could buy a supply of franked envelopes that could be used to send letters. Thus only an address needed to be added before giving the letter to an agent of the express.

Letters could be carried on the express route only or they could be handed over to a post office after being carried for some portion of a letter's route by the express, at which time the letter would enter into the regular mails. The reverse could be true as well. A letter from a city in the east would be sent via New York through San Francisco with address to a miner in some remote location. At first, any type of folded letters or envelopes were sent with postmarks and sometimes stamps to prepay the postage or to show that postage was due. Later, the express companies could carry letters that had been mailed in stamped envelopes. The majority of surviving express mail in franked envelopes was transported between addresses within the western states, but wherever the express companies served, the stamped franks were the main envelopes used to send any express letter. It was illegal to use a blank envelope that did not provide a payment of U.S. postage.<sup>5</sup>

Some letters were carried by more than one express company. Most such letters pay the U.S. postage only once, while the express fees are paid in cash, but the envelopes were often marked with the handstamp of each express company. A cover from British Columbia illustrated above shows 15 cents extra U.S. postage paid by stamps on an envelope with



The only figure in this article that is not part of a pasteup usage. The cover shows two express company franks, with 15 cents paid for the Canadian rate (3 cents overpayment).

the Dietz and Nelson British Columbia frank and a second frank of Wells, Fargo & Co., which carried it from Victoria, B.C. to San Francisco. This is actually an overpayment by three cents of the required 15 cents U.S. postage, since it was sent in a 3-cent stamped envelope.

The gold rush in Canada was along the Fraser River and other sites in British Columbia. A good map of the British Columbia mines can be found in "Western Express Stamps" by A. Jay Hertz.<sup>6</sup> The gold rush in that location began in earnest in 1857. When the news reached San Francisco, a general exodus of California miners converged at Victoria on Vancouver Island. Both Wells, Fargo & Co. and Freeman & Co. quickly opened offices in Victoria. Smaller companies made connections with the miners at their working sites along the waterways. During the 1860s Dietz and Nelson's British Columbia and Victoria Express connected with Wells, Fargo & Co. and the latter eventually took over operations along the entire route in 1867. One has to remember that Victoria Island was not part of British Columbia then.

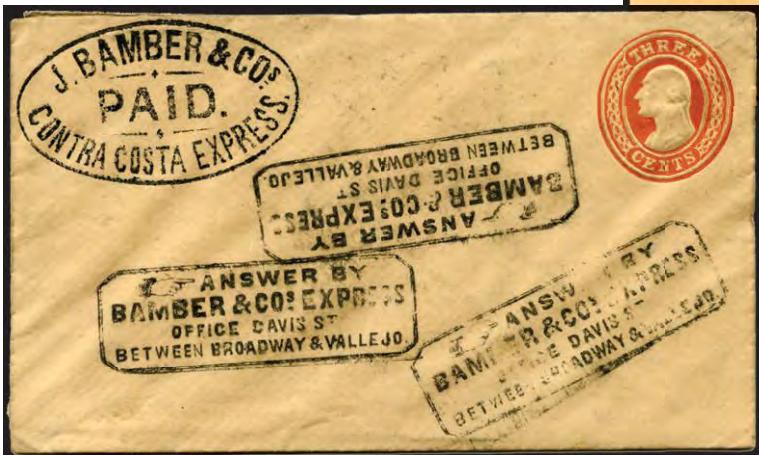
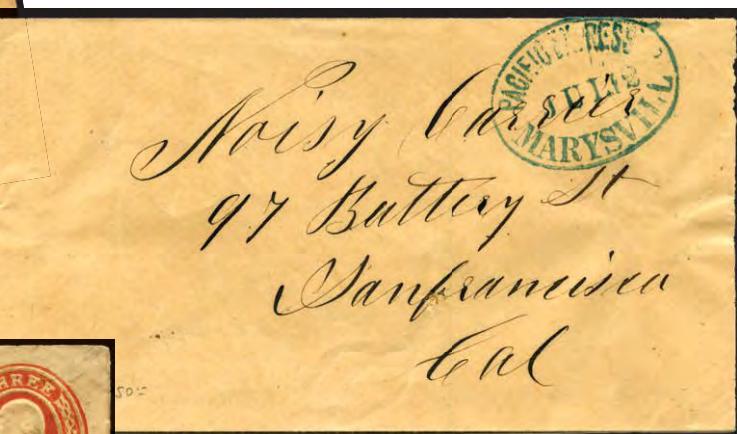
## Origin of Pasteup Franked Envelopes

If one had an envelope that needed to be sent by express *as is* (that is, in the same envelope instead of in the U.S.P.O.D. stamped envelope), a problem arose of how to meet the Post Office requirement of using a stamped envelope for all express mail. One commonly used alternative was to take an unused franked envelope (a stamped envelope with a printed express frank) and attach it to the back of the original sealed letter. This is a pasteup.

Usually the franked envelope was glued to the other letter. The address naturally would be on the original envelope, not on the franked envelope. Typically both sides of the pasteup would bear cancellations of the express company and a post office handstamp on any stamps as well as on the indicia



Early pasteup, now separated, with an address to Charles Kimball, the "Noisy Carrier." The reverse shows that two red wax wafers were used to attach the envelope to a franked envelope.



Unaddressed franked envelope bears handstamps all over its surface advertising the J. Bamber Express Co. The express agent may have done this as a form of advertising.

of the envelope if the envelope entered the mails. However, many pasteups only show express company markings because such letters never entered the mails.

Since pasteups usually were created by individuals without any prior planning, there is a great deal of variety between different pasteups. This article will look at the pasteup usage as a type of mail by showing different examples that illustrate various usages and express companies. For the most part, these examples date from the early use of the 1853 stamped envelope into the 1860s. Pasteups from the 1870s and 1880s are fairly scarce.

Some items that originally were pasteups have been separated from one part of the pair of envelopes, making an incomplete pasteup. But such incomplete pasteups may still be interesting as postal history. So the rest of this article will present a figure with front and back elements, one of which may be missing. Since some pasteup envelopes have been opened along the sides of one of the two envelopes, both the sides can be shown in a single photograph. However, most are shown in two separate scans showing the frank side and the blank side. In a pasteup, the franked side is the side that shows no address.

## Early California Usages

### Noisy Carrier (1850s)

The first example shows a pasteup envelope addressed to "Noisy Carrier," unknown date during the 1850s. The franked envelope is missing. The reverse side demonstrates that in this instance the pasteup had been held together not by glue but by two red wax wafers of the type used to seal stampless letters. One applied a hot metal seal to the paper-wafer-paper sandwich, which would then seal the two sides of paper together.

Charles P. Kimball of San Francisco became known as the "Noisy Carrier."<sup>7</sup> He arrived in San Francisco from Maine in July 1849. Almost immediately he established an express for parcels between San Francisco and the bay to Sacramento, personally carrying those items that were entrusted to him. He used the steamer *Sacramento* and a sailing ship, *James L. Day*. By February 1850 he was operating a city delivery express, charging 12½ cents for a letter, but was soon informed that his service was illegal without an appointment by the Postmaster General.

The name "Noisy Carrier" came later and referred to his practice of calling out the names of those whose letter or package he was carrying. His utterances included self-produced phrases of poetry with a wide range of subjects ranging from gold to politics. One of his services was to carry letters to the sailing steamers (so a patron could avoid the long wait in post office lines). He marked for advertising purposes the letters and newspapers that he carried and these markings are highly collected today. The pre-1853 items bear 1851 series postage stamps because the first stamped envelopes dated from 1853. Kimball eventually opened a book and newspaper business that became quite popular and went on to publish the first business directory of San Francisco.



The 10-cent franked entire pays the postage for a letter going to or from the California-Oregon region from the rest of the United States (all letters went to New York and were sent by steamer). The black printed frank reads 'PAID Wells, Fargo & Co. THROUGH OUR CALIFORNIA AND ATLANTIC EXPRESS.'



The original commercial envelope containing papers for a pension claim. It bears a "NEW-YORK SEP 3 FREE" postmark and two blue Wells, Fargo & Co. markings from San Francisco.

### Bamber & Co. (1853 or later)

Another pasteup shows the frank of Bamber & Co. on an 1853 3-cent entire with the frank hand-stamped: "J. BAMBER & CO.<sup>s</sup> / CONTRA COSTA EXPRESS / PAID." It was unaddressed and the Bamber & Co. agent had previously prepared a number of these envelopes with additional advertising handstamps for the company: "ANSWER BY BAMBER & CO.<sup>s</sup> EXPRESS OFFICE DAVIS ST BETWEEN BROADWAY & VALLEJO." In this instance, there are three such advertising handstamp marks on the cover; clearly, he was not about to let all that blank space go to waste. Such envelopes with many handstamps are not rare.

### Wells, Fargo & Co. (1855)

An early pasteup that shows a usage with the 10-cent 1853 entire is a blank envelope with two strikes of the San Francisco company marking, unusual for a pasteup. It is attached to a larger envelope with Wells, Fargo & Co. cornercard (not a frank) mailed to the Commissioner of Pensions via New York to Washington, D.C. The red "NEW YORK SEP 5 FREE" is from 1855. This free frank for the Commissioner of Pensions did not extend to the required U.S. postage on a western express franked entire.

### Wells, Fargo & Co.; Pony Express (October 1861)

Shown is what may be a unique pasteup usage of a Wells, Fargo/Pony Express cover sent East to West during the fourth rate period of the Pony Express when the rate was \$1 per half ounce. The cover bears the red type 2 Pony Express



Unaddressed frank for a pasteup letter carried by the Pony Express, East to West, with the oval within a circle of the PONY EXPRESS handstamp dated October 3, 1861, the last month of overland pony express service. The rate was \$1 per 1/2 ounce.

frank, but it lacks the addressed envelope of the pasteup.<sup>8</sup> The trip started October 3, which is within the last month of pony express service.

Another pasteup cover from the Pony Express is also known. This was sent on the first eastbound trip and was postmarked April 3 (1860) on a 10-cent 1853 entire with a black "PAID. Central Overland Pony Express Company." It is interesting that the only two known pasteup letters sent by the overland Pony Express were at the two ends of this fascinating service.

### Wells, Fargo & Co.; Pony Express Stamp (February 1863 & March 1864)

In addition to the two Pony Express covers just mentioned, there are two remarkable multiple rate covers sent

Remarkable pasteup cover shows a large block of the 25-cent blue Pony Express stamp on a six times single rate cover. Five 3-cent stamps are added to the 3-cent entire in the frank.



Cover showing the red 25-cent Pony Express stamp and additional postage stamps needed to pay a 7x express rate. This is the largest block known of the stamp.

over the Virginia City Pony Express between San Francisco and Virginia City (shown in Christies, October, 1991). The first is a legal sized envelope sent to the U.S. District Court of the First Judicial District, Storey County, Virginia City, Nevada Territory. It has a strip of five and a single of the 25-cent blue Pony Express stamp of Wells, Fargo & Co. The overweight envelope required six times the basic postage as well. This was provided by creating a pasteup 3-cent entire frank with five additional 3-cent stamps. All the stamps are canceled by a blue "WELLS, FARGO & CO EXPRESS / S.FR<sup>CO</sup> / 25 FEB" (1863).

A second cover, this one from March 1864 and containing a similar type of court document, was sent to the same District Court in Virginia City. This cover, which has been shortened at the right-hand side, bears a block of six and a single of the 25-cent red Pony Express stamp, the largest recorded multiple of this stamp. The reverse pasteup was a misprinted Wells, Fargo & Co. 3-cent entire with a frank bearing six additional 3-cent stamps to make up a 7x rate. Most

of the writing on both envelopes is legal documentation. There is a blue "TOO LATE" in box over the pony block, signifying that the letter missed the intended steamboat departure to Sacramento.

### Jamison's Express (1860s)

A different pasteup usage is from another small company, J.C. Jamison's Express, with a printed frank from somewhere in southwest Oregon. Note the uncanceled 3-cent stamp on the addressed envelope. This would support the interpretation advanced here on some of the other figures that the addition of a postage stamp to a franked entire was sometimes throwing away the value of the stamp since the franked entire satisfied the post office requirements. This is also seen on some steamboat covers to which stamps were added, although the letters never entered the mails.

Jamison's Express operated between Forest Grove, Hillsboro, Lafayette, and Portland, Oregon. The letter was carried as far as Portland by Jamison's, and then Wells, Fargo & Co. (two oval Portland handstamps) delivered it to The Dalles, the end of the overland Oregon Trail, which lay up the Columbia River about ninety miles east of Portland.

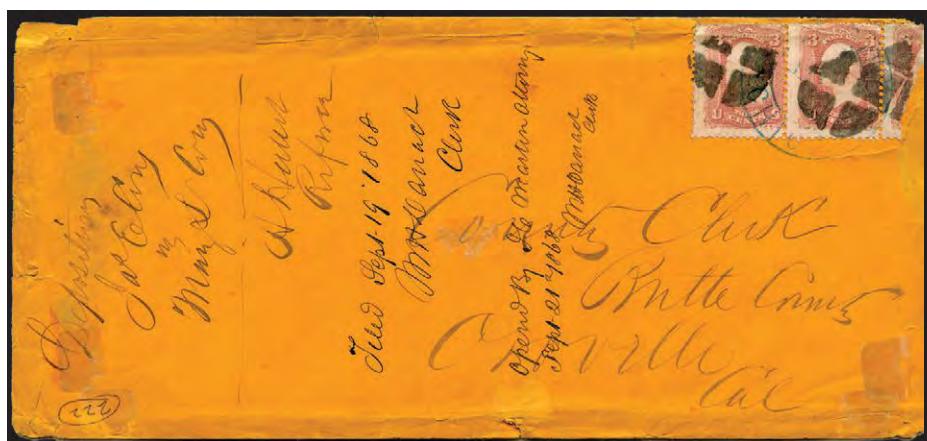
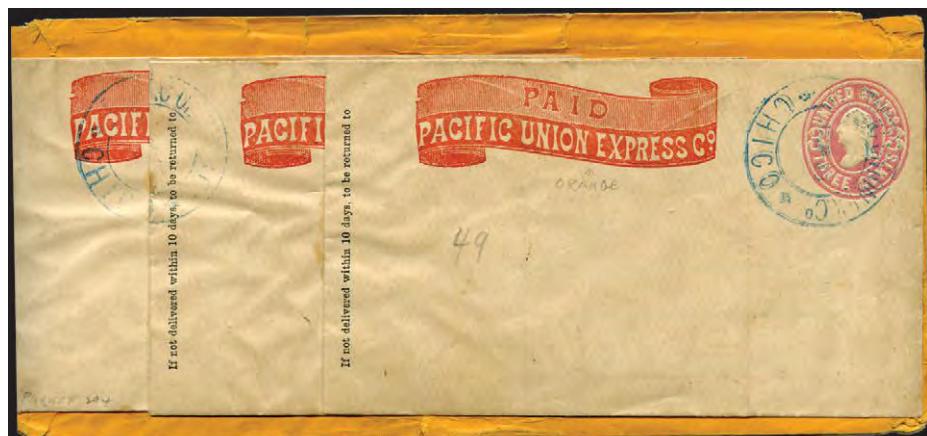
### Union Pacific Express Co. (September 1868)

Another Pacific Union Express Co. pasteup shows a triple rate. The addressee envelope bears three postage stamps (one partially missing) with cork cancels but no town handstamp. The reason is that only the express carried this legal document from Chico to Oroville; it never went into the regular mailstream. The stamps were canceled so they could not be used again, but the postage was paid twice since there are three canceled stamped envelopes, all unaddressed, glued to the back of the larger envelope. So the postage has been overpaid although the U.S. postal system appears not to have handled the letter.

Pasteup combination demonstrates multiple rated covers that were sometimes paid with several franked envelopes attached to a large blank envelope. Here the three franked envelopes are glued to the back of the large envelope that also bears three 3-cent stamps. It is probable that this envelope was prepared for mailing before it was determined that it would have to be sent by express. The easiest way to do this was to attach three franked express envelopes to pay the triple fee. Of course, the stamps although canceled never paid any postal service. The Pacific Union Express Company carried the letter from Chico to Oroville.



Pair of envelopes include a frank from a small express company and the original envelope, to which is attached an uncanceled postage stamp. The Express handstamp reads Portland and the address is Dalles, Oregon, on the Columbia River. This cover shows that pasteup usage was not only confined to the big express companies.





Typical unaddressed 10 cents postage on Wells, Fargo frank, but the pasted on envelope is a stagecoach propaganda cover for an overland route passing south. The March 28 of the San Francisco postmark and the April 28, 1860 of the New York postmark demonstrate that it took a month for this letter to travel by steamers from San Francisco to New York.



Star Die 10-cent entire as the franked envelope with pasteup Civil War patriotic cover with overall flag design. Wells, Fargo & Co. carried the letter from Aurora, Nevada Territory to Carson City, U.T. Someone put a 10-cent stamp on the patriotic, but the 10-cent entire paid the West coast to East coast postage.

## Wells, Fargo & Co. (April 1860)

The next type of usage to be discussed is sending an illustrated envelope by express — the pasteup usage was the only way to do this. The blank, red franked Wells, Fargo & Co. envelope bears a 10-cent 1853 indicia, so this is an envelope paying the West to East coast rate for more than 3,000 miles. The "NEW YORK APR 28 1860" cancellation is struck on the frank and on the other envelope. But instead of being a blank envelope, this is a printed propaganda cover promoting a southern route for the overland route and railroad when it would be built. Its usage as a pasteup must be very rare. It was carried from San Francisco by Wells, Fargo & Co. in their bag by steamer mail. At New York it entered the mails and went to Rondout, Ulster County, New York.

## Wells, Fargo & Co.; Patriotic (1860?)

The most frequently seen propaganda cover that shows pasteup usage was the Civil War Union patriotic cover used from western towns but carried by express. Shown is a 10-cent Star Die envelope for usage to the East. It was carried from the Wells, Fargo Express Co. office, Aurora (in modern-day Nevada) to Carson City, Utah Territory. In order to

use the express service, however, the sender pasted on a 10-cent franked entire.

There are blue "CARSON CITY, NEV / SEP 27" markings with target cancels on both envelopes. The blank envelope is an overall patriotic image of a 34-star U.S. flag, printed in San Francisco (Milgram WP-9).<sup>9,10</sup> Note that both the indicium and the 10-cent 1857 stamp are canceled by a target matching the town postmarks. It appears that there was a 10-cent overpayment of the postage. Note also that a 10-cent and not a 3-cent frank was used. The express company trip involved a post road for which the fee was 10 cents, but use of a 10-cent stamp on the patriotic cover was extraneous. It was probably applied in Aurora before the sender realized he had to send the letter by express.

The gold mining settlement of Aurora was founded in 1860, became an instant "boom town," and was already in decline by 1864 when the ore veins proved shallow. Originally claimed by both the State of California and Utah Territory, by the spring of 1861 both California (April 1861) and the newly created Nevada Territory (March 1861) had formed new mining district counties (Mono Co., CA and Esmeralda Co., NV) that included Aurora. The resulting confusion over



Legal cover containing a deposition mailed in December 1865 from one city to another in Idaho Territory. It was overweight so a pair of franked envelopes were needed to pay both the express and the U.S. postal fees. Note that most pasteups show the express handstamp on both sides.

state citizenship lasted until a formal survey in September 1863 finally established that Aurora was actually three miles inside the Nevada border. It ultimately was incorporated into the county of Mineral, created in 1911.

Carson City was established in 1858 within the Utah Territory but also became part of the new Nevada Territory in March 1861 and was made the territorial capital.

### Wells, Fargo & Co. (1865)

Over time pasteup usages began to appear in regions that were relatively unsettled earlier. One example is a Wells, Fargo & Co. usage from Idaho Territory on a large-sized en-

velope that originally contained a legal deposition filed in 1865. The letter went from Ruby City to Boise. There are three strikes of "WELLS, FARGO & CO. RUBY CITY DEC 4" on the envelope and on two different 3-cent franked covers. Why use two franked envelopes? The answer is probably due to the excess weight of a deposition.

### Wells, Fargo & Co.; Sweden (1860)

Overseas usage of pasteup covers must be rare, because many countries would have charged these as two letters. The example shown is a pasteup with strip of three 10-cent Type V stamps canceled at New York, delivered first to Aachen



Rare pasteup usage of a cover mailed to Europe. The three 10-cent stamps paid the postage to Germany by American Packet; however, the cover was carried from California to New York by Wells, Fargo & Co. express, which is why there is a blank envelope glued to the other envelope. The oval "PAID" is the tipoff of a pasteup usage.





One half of a pasteup showing six 3-cent franked entires cut and glued on a 6-cent entire, paying an 8x rate. In addition, a 24-cent stamp was canceled at New York. A Wells, Fargo, & Co. company handstamp from Belmont is struck on all the entires. The address is to Doylestown, Pennsylvania. This envelope may have been attached to a large envelope or parcel with a 16x rate of postage. In May 1867 forwarding was free, so it is unlikely that forwarding was the reason for the 24-cent stamp.



Two Star Die 3-cent entires, one with an express frank. The letter began at Fort Vancouver, went to Portland, and then to San Francisco, perhaps by the maritime direct route. There is no explanation why it is a pasteup.

and then to Sweden. The 10-cent 1853 frank side bears a Stockholm backstamp with an October 11, 1860 date; however, there is no Wells, Fargo company marking indicating a town of origin. Nevertheless, there is a bold, blue Wells, Fargo & Co. "PAID" handstamp, which would indicate San Francisco as a possible town of origin. The European markings indicate prepayment of postage. There is a ten cents overpayment of postage.

### Wells, Fargo & Co. (1867)

This is probably the most unusual pasteup in the entire article, but unfortunately only the frank side of the pasteup remains, the other side is missing. Addressed to Doylestown, Pennsylvania in 1867, the multiple pasteup

appears to indicate an overweight shipment, perhaps a parcel. The large envelope is a 6-cent entire on which are pasted portions of six additional 3-cent franked envelopes, all canceled by a Belmont Wells, Fargo & Co. blue oval. The total of the franks is 24 cents. At New York another 24 cents was added by a 24-cent stamp. The large amount of money paid by the franks and stamp is probably due to heavy weight (8x).

### British Columbia-United States Combination Usages

The next group of covers are some very complex usages from the Northwest and British Columbia.

## Tracy & Co. Oregon Express (1861)

The first shows a pasteup with two different 3-cent Star Die envelopes, one franked and the other not franked. This would be an 1861 usage of a Tracy & Co. Express frank from "FT VANCOUVER" (Washington Territory) that was carried across the Columbia River to Portland. Here there was a choice of an overland route with Tracy & Co. connecting with the Beekman Express at Jacksonville, Oregon and further travel to Yreka where Wells, Fargo & Co. would receive it and carry the letter to San Francisco via a ship route from Portland to San Francisco. When a ship was available, the maritime route was the most rapid since the stage trip took more than a week. This cover, which bears no markings suggesting the overland trip, probably went by ship despite the fact that "Per Overland" is written on the pasteup entire.

## Wells, Fargo & Co.; Patriotic (1861)

The patriotic pasteup in the next illustration shows a scarce California design (Milgram WP-31A) used from Canada (although, technically, Victoria Island was not part of Canada at the time). The pasteup envelope is addressed to Lafayette, Oregon. The frank envelope shows the prepaid postmark for usage through Victoria (this postmark was on the blank franked envelope when it was purchased), "VICTORIA PAID V.I." with two strikes of "WELLS, FARGO & CO. VICTORIA / AUG 21."

Wells, Fargo & Co. carried the letter on to Portland. There the cover was transferred to Tracy & Co. Portland on August 25 (double circle marking), and Tracy & Co. carried it to Lafayette, Oregon. The prepayment of the Tracy fee would have been given to the Wells Fargo agent at Victoria. The usage of a Star Die entire documents 1861 as the year of usage.

## Wells, Fargo & Co.; Ballou's Fraser River Express (June 1861)

The next pasteup cover is one of the most complex express covers I have seen. It originated in the Fraser River mines where the Ballou's frank was purchased with the red NEW WESTMINSTER oval post office cancel already on it. The cover was carried by Ballou to Victoria on Vancouver Island where it was transferred to Wells, Fargo & Co. Note the manuscript "Paid through Ballous Express," probably written when it was sent.

It was at this point that the pasteup was prepared. Wells, Fargo & Co. pasted their own franked envelope to the franked envelope from British Columbia and marked it "WELLS, FARGO & CO. VICTORIA JUN 19." This frank only paid postage for Victoria Island usage, the blue "VICTORIA PAID V.I." at upper left. The U.S. postage was covered by the 3-cent Star Die envelope (1861 usage). Wells, Fargo & Co. carried the letter south to Portland, either by ship via Astoria or overland via Olympia, Washington Territory. At Portland there must not have been a ship ready to leave, so Tracy &



One of two known usages of U.S. patriotic covers from Victoria on Vancouver Island. This is a scarce western design caricature type design that was attached to a prepared frank as a pasteup. The unaddressed frank bears a "VICTORIA V.I. PAID" handstamp showing that postal fees had been paid by the express company and passed along to the user through the use of the franked envelope.

Co. took it on to Jacksonville: "TRACY & CO. PORTLAND JUN 25" in blue on both sides of pasteup. At Jacksonville Tracy had a contract with the Beekman Express Co. to continue carrying southbound letters to Yreka. Beekman did not apply franks or cancels for this service. Wells, Fargo & Co. carried them from Yreka to San Francisco.

Here we must make note of the manuscript "By Bamber Express," apparently written by the sender. There are two strikes of a Bamber & Co., San Francisco marking for the further transportation from San Francisco to Alvarado, Alameda County, California, the letter's address. The Bamber fee was evidently paid at the start. There may have been a separate waybill accompanying the letter explaining the different fees, but just like post office waybills, they are usually separated from the letter and destroyed after a certain time period. We do know the letter was "Recd July 2" (1861).

Three governments were paid a fee, although the pasteup never entered the official mails, and five different express companies (Wells, Fargo & Co. twice) were involved in its transport.

## Pacific Union Express Co. (1868)

The Pacific Railway Act of 1862 provided for the establishment of an intercontinental railroad across the United States: the Union Pacific Railroad Company to build west



Incredibly complex cover showing usage from British Columbia with a Ballou's Fraser River Express frank. This was attached to an unaddressed Wells, Fargo & Co. frank with prepaid Victoria postage. It is likely this cover went overland to San Francisco and then was carried by Bamber & Co. Express to the destination. It can be seen that the sender "Paid Through" and even wrote "By Bambers Express" on the Ballou's envelope.

Large envelope (with letters enclosed), on the back of which are two overlapping Pacific Union Express franks canceled at San Francisco. This cover went by railroad the next day when a R.R. route agent added the "C.P.R.R. M E S Sr' AUG 21" handstamp in Sacramento. It evidently went to Virginia City by train and express.

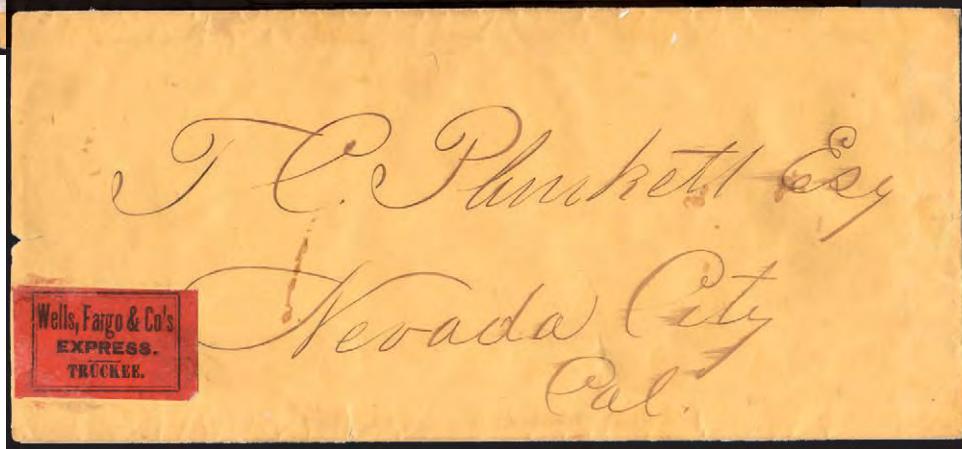
from Omaha, Nebraska, and the Central Pacific Railroad Company to build east from Sacramento, California. The city of Sacramento gave thirty acres to the Central Pacific Railroad along its levee and on January 8, 1863, ground was broken for the beginning of the western terminus. The first section of track was laid that fall on October 26.

Because the mountainous terrain that the Central Pacific had to cross was much more difficult than that faced by the Union Pacific, progress was slower heading east. Tunnels had to be carved from the granite walls of the Sierra Nevadas, sometimes limiting progress to inches per day, and heavy mountain snows routinely brought work to a near standstill. Several articles by the author describe postal usages from that period.<sup>11,12</sup>

By the end of 1867 all the tunnels across the mountains had been connected and real progress began to be made. On May 4, 1868 the CPRR reached the new town of Reno, Nevada, only 154 miles from Sacramento, but by August, the two ends of the transcontinental railroad were approaching each other.<sup>13</sup> By early December, the Central Pacific Railroad tracks were 445 miles from Sacramento.

In 1868 steamboats carried the bulk of freight and mail to Sacramento, including almost all the raw materials required for building a railroad, but





Cover shows a Wells, Fargo label used instead of a frank to signify payment of the express company's fees. Since this must have been a heavy letter, several franks were glued to the large original envelope. This pasteup is a nice example of the usage during the 1870s. Pasteups are rare with label usage.

that was all due to change. On May 10, 1869, at Promontory Summit near Ogden, Utah, the two ends of the transcontinental railroad finally met — five days later, train service began. Passenger tickets cost \$111, \$80, or \$40, depending on the creature comforts provided. The trip across the country was advertised as taking four days, four hours, and forty minutes.

The cover shown is a large envelope on which two Pacific Union Express Co. pasteup fronts were glued. Each frank bears a printed address to Batterman & Co. in Virginia City. Each frank also bears a black "PACIFIC UNION EX CO./ SAN FRANCISCO/ AUG 20" over the indicia of the envelope. In addition, there is a blue double circle "C.P.R.R./ M E S S<sup>R</sup> AUG 21." This fancy marking indicates that the letter was given to the railroad steamer, and is a route agent marking used on the steamer for letters that were to travel by train.

Other covers show that a similar blue double-circle marking labeled "NEWCASTLE" was used by a train route agent at Newcastle, a town on the CPRR route. There is also a blue Wells, Fargo & Co. oval handstamp with "C.P.R.R." instead of a town name.

We are fortunate to have the contents of the cover illustrated: two letters written at San Francisco August 20, 1868 by J.H. Jones to "Friend Batterman" enclosing legal papers. This verifies the year date of usage and would support a double-weight fee.

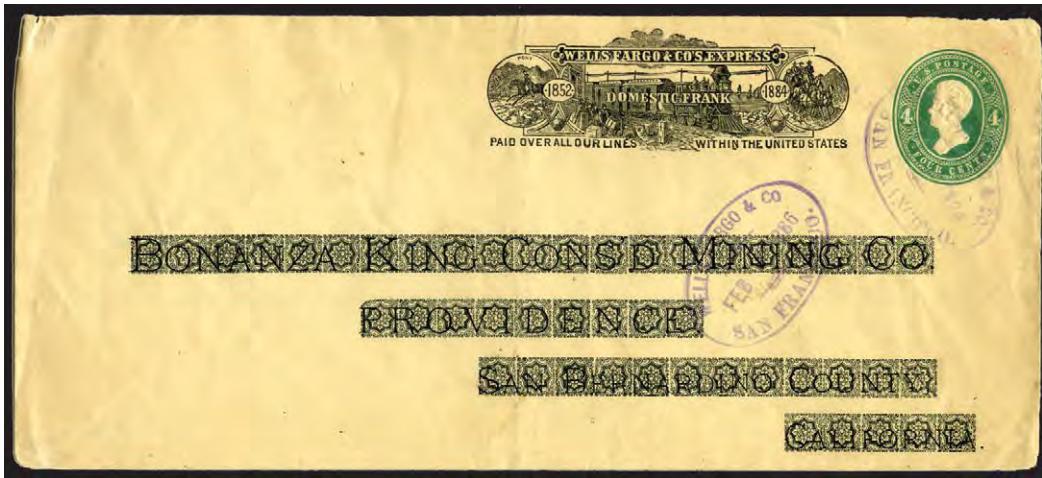
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Pasteups are much less common from the 1870s. Shown is a pasteup cover with a large legal-sized envelope addressed to T.C. Plunkett Esq. in Nevada City, California. This cover also bears a Wells Fargo express label that was used instead of a frank, here from the origin city, Truckee, California. There are two franked entires glued to the back of this envelope, indicating an overweight letter. They show advertisements printed over the entires for a Elle Ellen/ Manufacturer of and Dealer in/ All Kinds of Building Lumber and Shingles/ Truckee/ CAL." Neither of these covers bear company handstamps; in this instance they were replaced by the label usage.

### Wells, Fargo & Co.'s Express (1884/1886)

The final cover is only an unaddressed half of a pasteup pair, but the back shows that it appears to have been glued to another envelope. The 4-cent legal-sized entire bears a later type of Wells, Fargo & Co. frank dated 1884, but it also shows a second usage that Dale Forster has discussed as "Wells Fargo Grids."<sup>14</sup> Once a franked entire was prepared by printing the frank on the entire, the value to the post office was lost if the cover was not used as a frank. There was a fairly large business in printing names and addresses on these franks and the overall ads (as was shown imprinted on the previous cover). Different methods were used by the printer to deface some of the earlier advertisements, corner

Legal sized envelope originally printed with a particular client's address; the frank meant that the envelope would always go by express. Since this envelope showed not only double U.S. postage but also express postage paid, the bank altered the address on the envelope by overprinting the original address. The postmarks show an 1886 usage.



cards, and printed addresses so the frank could be used by a different customer.

In the illustrated example a heavy printed box design is used to cover the prior address, "Bonanza King Consd. Mining Co. Providence, San Bernardino County, California." There is a purple "WELLS, FARGO & CO./ SAN FRANCIS-CO./ FEB 1886" struck twice. This envelope was used on the back of a new envelope that would have only borne an address; it pays a double weight express and post office fee. By applying the grids or blocks over the previous address, the envelope was made usable for another customer.

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The author would be interested in seeing scans or photocopies of interesting pasteup usages (j-milgram@northwestern.edu).

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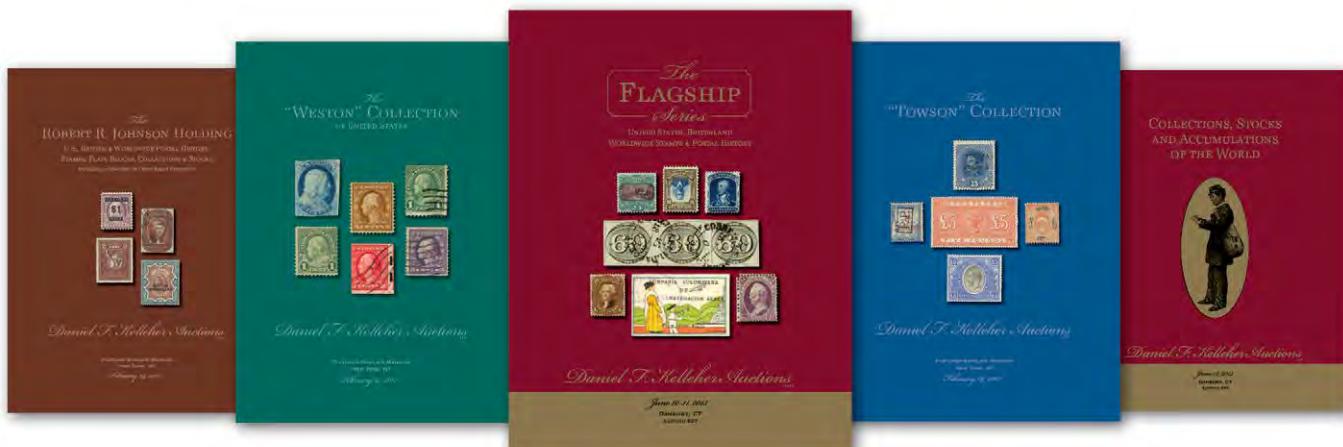
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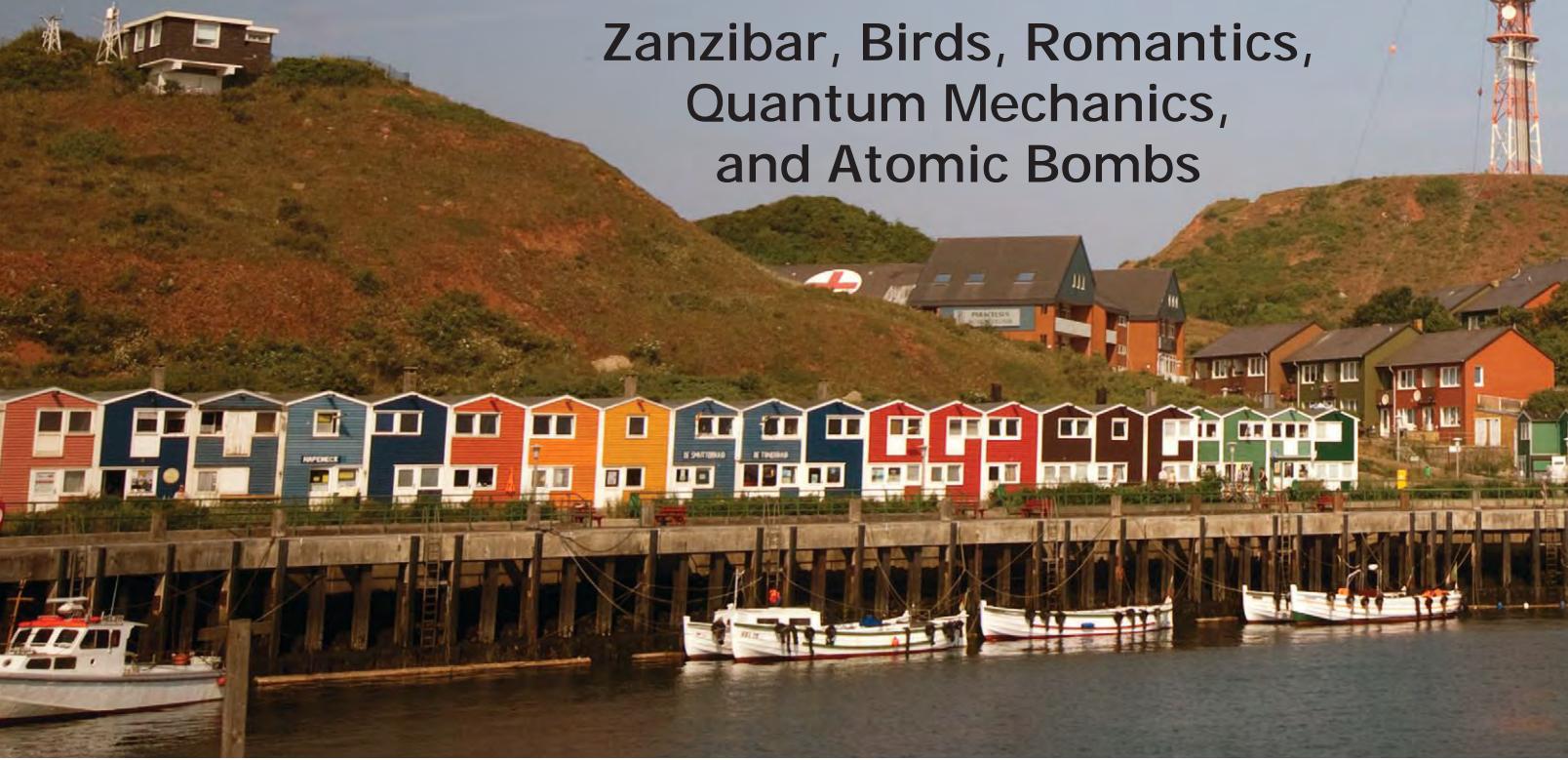
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# HELGOLAND

Zanzibar, Birds, Romantics,  
Quantum Mechanics,  
and Atomic Bombs



by Dietrich Schroeer

Lawrence R. Mead published an article on “Personalities of Philatelia: Heinrich Gaetke of Heligoland” in the May 2011 issue of *The American Philatelist*, pp. 440–443.<sup>1</sup> That article focused on the design by Gaetke of the British stamps for Heligoland. This article offers a follow-up to the Mead article; it fleshes out the history of the island, and discusses its philately after the German takeover in 1890.<sup>2</sup>

Heligoland is known to stamp collectors for the colorful stamps shown in the Mead article; examples of these are in many collections. About 1½ million copies of the various postal issues of British Heligoland were printed in Hamburg. When these issues were no longer postally valid, the plates were sold to a stamp dealer, who then passed them on to other dealers. Altogether these plates were used to produce about 6 million reprints in Hamburg, Leipzig, and Berlin.<sup>3</sup> Consequently, almost all the Heligoland stamps in typical collections are reprints. Fake cancellations also were made, including some by the Spiro brothers. The predominant mail from Heligoland during the British period was actually postal cards for foreigners sent back to Germany.

The turbulent history of Heligoland includes semi-independence prior to the Napoleonic era, benign ownership by England between 1807 and 1890, ownership by Germany through the two world wars, and occupation by Great Britain for some years after World War II. Since 1952 Heligoland has been a German vacation place and bird sanctuary.

Prior to the Napoleonic period, the island was so isolated by the rough seas of the Heligoland Bight of the North Sea that the inhabitants were more or less left alone, with their own form of government and with self-sufficiency as fishermen and ship pilots. The local dialect is a derivative of Frisian, which itself has touches of English and lowland German (platt-Deutsch). The “national” poem is “Green is the Land, Red are the Cliffs, White is the Sand, those are the colors of Heligoland”; in the local dialect this is “Groen es det Lunn/ Road es de Kant/ Wit es det Sunn/ Det es der Woepem fan’t helige Lunn.” The island’s “national” poem can be seen on a 1921 Notgeld (emergency money) issue.

Until 1807 the island was nominally associated with Denmark. At the time of the Napoleonic period it was the property of the Duke of Schleswig-Holstein, who was the king of Denmark. Then in 1807, Great Britain “discovered”

The national poem of Helgoland in the Frisian dialect, shown on a 25-pfennig Notgeld issued in 1921 in lieu of scarce metal coins.

“Green is the Land, Red  
are the Cliffs, White is  
the Sand, those are the  
colors of Helgoland”



A Heligoland postal card designed by Gaetke, as discussed in the Mead article; sent by a German tourist from Heligoland on September 10, 1885 during the British period.

the island, as its Navy was enforcing a naval blockade of the Napoleonic continent. It captured the island from the Danes, and made it one of its possessions. The British “occupation” was peaceful, marked by benign neglect. The island was not fortified, the inhabitants continued to fish and developed a tourist industry catering to Germans. And the stamps designed by Gaetke were issued.

After the formation of the German Reich in 1870, interest in Heligoland grew in Germany. The German Kaiser was an enthusiast for naval power; at the same time the German Chancellor Bismarck was uninterested in colonial expansions. So in 1890 Heligoland was traded by Great Britain to Germany in exchange for the African island of Zanzibar and German interests in East Africa. The 2,000 or so inhabitants



A Reichspost stamp and cancel celebrating the 50th anniversary of the transfer of Helgoland to Germany (1940, Michel 750, Scott B176).



A stamp of the Deutsche Post honoring the German Lloyd shipping company. It shows the steamer *Cobra*, which acted as a ferry to North Sea islands including Helgoland (2010, Michel 2819, Scott 2588).



A Deutsche Post stamp showing the Nobel-prize winner Werner Heisenberg, together with his Uncertainty Principle (2001, Michel 2228, Scott 2142).

of Heligoland were not consulted in this trade. A German stamp and cancel celebrate the 50th anniversary of the transfer of Helgoland to Germany.

After 1890 German tourism grew, including an influx of day-trippers with more regular ferry service from Hamburg. A recent German stamp issue shows the steamer *Cobra* as a ferry and a Reichspost mail carrier to Helgoland and other islands in the North Sea. Helgoland, as it is known to Germans, had a romantic aura. The national anthem “Deutschland, Deutschland über Alles” was composed on it; romantic composers such as Bruckner and Mahler vacationed there. In spite of the growing tourist trade, on the whole, the inhabitants did not relish the Prussian life style. The island became somewhat fortified, but grandiose plans to convert it into a German Gibraltar were not implemented. Early in World War I the naval battle of Heligoland Bight took place near Heligoland.<sup>4</sup> It was relatively small, but convinced the German navy that it was no match for the British. Some German submarines were based at times on the island.

During the inter-war period tourism was further developed. While on a vacation on Helgoland in 1925, the Ger-

man physicist Werner Heisenberg (1901–1976) developed a formalism for Quantum Mechanics.<sup>5</sup> He is best remembered for the formulation of the Heisenberg Uncertainty Principle. In 1932 he received the Nobel Prize in Physics for his role in the creation of quantum mechanics and its applications. One end of the island became a bird sanctuary to carry on the work started by Gaetke.<sup>6</sup>

During World War II Helgoland initially was intended to house some submarines, but never did so. However, it was the site of radar equipment to warn the German mainland of impending bomber raids from Great Britain. In April 1945 a massive bombing raid finally razed the built-up portions of the island.

At the end of World War II the Helgolanders were evicted for seven years from the island by the British. The German Cinderella stamp shown asked for their return to the island. During this occupation the British RAF used the island as a bombing target range and to support the development of nuclear weapons. They exploded 6,000 tons of explosives on the island to simulate a nuclear explosion (see George Drower, *Heligoland: The True Story of German Bight*



A German Cinderella label “Helgoland ruft” (“Helgoland is calling”), asking for the return of Helgoland to Germany.



A Bundespost stamp celebrating the return of Helgoland to German control (1952, Michel 152, Scott 690).



A view of Helgoland on a Bundespost stamp of 1972 (1972, Michel 746, Scott 1069).

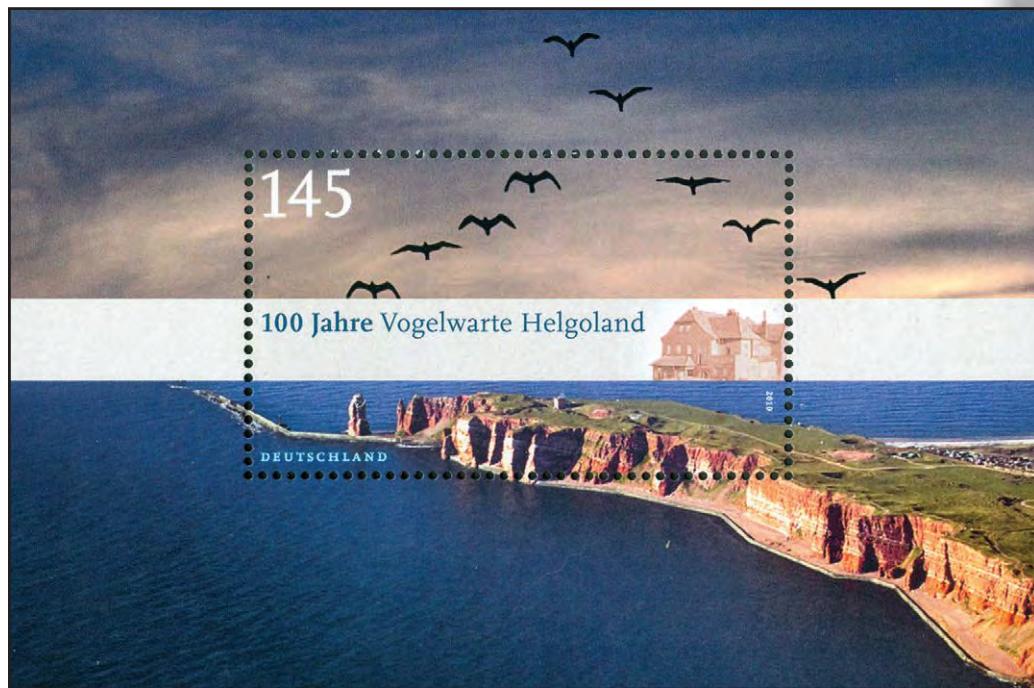


and the *Island that Britain Betrayed*, Fig. 18). They also test-dropped various bomb configurations to test the accuracy of their future nuclear bomb (see George Drower, *Heligoland: The True Story of German Bight and the Island that Britain Betrayed*, Fig. 14). At one point the British were going to use the shoals off Helgoland to simulate a ocean-surface nuclear explosion, but moved that test closer to the British isle.

Finally, in 1952, the Helgolanders were allowed back on their island. The return of Helgoland to German control was celebrated by a Bundespost stamp. In 1972 Helgoland was portrayed on a Bundespost landscape series stamp, and in 1992 the cliffs of Helgoland with the "Long Anna" are portrayed on a 70-pf definitive stamp. The island



The 70-pf German definitive stamp of 1990, showing the cliffs of Helgoland including the "Long Anna" (1990, Michel 1469, Scott 1527).



A miniature sheet issued by Germany to celebrate 100 years of the international bird sanctuary (Vogelwarte) (2010, Michel Block 77, Scott 2569).

has made a comeback as a romantic tourist destination — with regular mail service by the Bundespost and Deutsche Post. In addition, the island has continued to serve as an international bird sanctuary (Vogelwarte) for migratory birds. In 2010 Germany issued a miniature sheet celebrating the 100-year anniversary of this sanctuary.

Interest in stamps of Heligoland has continued to be high, particularly since novice philatelists keep thinking they have found a treasure in their grandfather's collection among the British era reprints.

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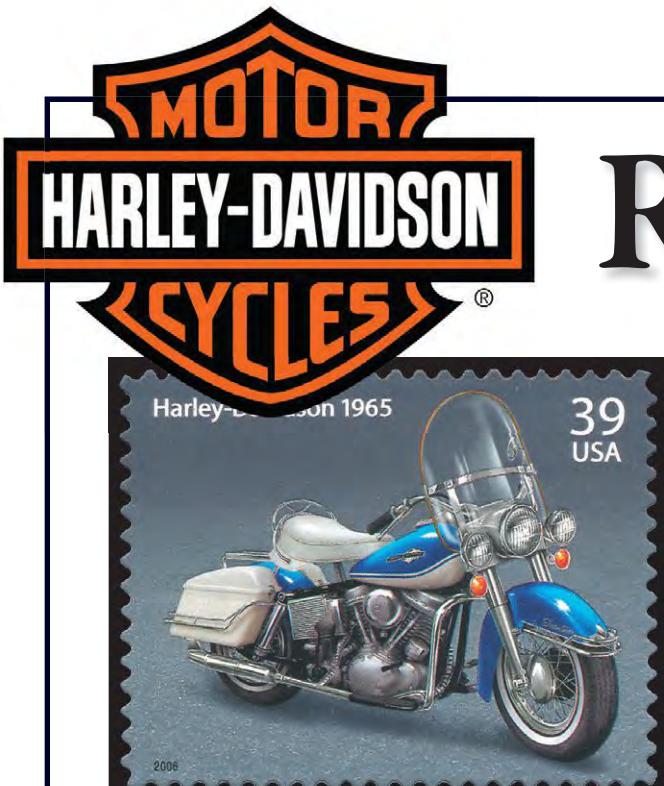
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# The Story Behind an 1898 Picture

by Dr. Stanley R. Sandler



As a way of introduction to this subject, my parents immigrated to the United States from the city of Kolomyja, Poland, and I have always had an interest in the city of Danzig and its stamps. Located on a delta arm of the Vistula River, Danzig is an important port and trade center on the Baltic Sea, and goods from all over the world were shipped to Kolomyja from that area. Many of the things my parents used came through the port of Danzig. The city has a documented history showing that historically it was Poland's territory on or before the year 997. On the other hand, German historians can cite documentation that their people were the early settlers of the Danzig area.<sup>1</sup> Nevertheless, the Germans/Prussians seized control many times over the years. Danzig is the city's German name, and Gdansk is the city's Polish name.

Before World War I, the city was under total German control, but when the war ended in 1919, under an agreement arrived at by the League of Nations, it was jointly administered by Poland and Germany, and was named the "Free City of Danzig." In 1920 the first stamps used by the Free City of Danzig were overprints of Germany's Germania stamps (in denominations issued between 1905–1919, Germany Scott 82/95, 111/114, 120, 132). Initially, the word "Danzig" was simply overprinted in black over "Deutsches Reich"; however, throughout the year additional overprints appeared in various styles, though always with "Deutsches Reich" blocked out (Danzig Scott 1–7, 14–15, 19–23, 25–40, 42–46). Some overprints also were produced on Germany Scott 92–95 (Danzig Scott 8–13, 47–48).

In January 1921 new Danzig stamps were issued with the wording: "Freie Stadt Danzig" in their design. These stamps were used (with various surcharges) from 1921–1939 (Danzig Scott 49–240). These stamps could be used for mail from Danzig to Germany, Poland, or other countries. The Polish government also established a post office at the Port of Danzig using Polish stamps from 1925–1938 that were overprinted with the words "Port Gdansk" (or had them as part of the stamp design) that could only be used for mail to Poland (Poland Scott 1K1–1K36).

The Free City of Danzig became a member of the Universal Postal Union on October 1, 1920; however, the use of two post offices as well as the use of joint control over the city led to disputes and to serious conflicts. Ultimately, the



Danzig Scott 1, 2, 9,

# Postcard from Danzig/Gdansk



An 1898 Danzig, Germany picture postcard with photographs of some picturesque architectural sites within the city. Among them can be seen the Great Synagogue at the far right of the lower left-hand view.

German army invaded Danzig (the Westerplatte Polish garrison was totally destroyed) on September 1, 1939 and then burned the Polish Post Office in Hevelius Square. There were approximately fifty people in the Polish Post Office that day, including the building keeper and his wife. After holding out against the German army for fourteen hours, the surviving thirty-five workers surrendered. All were executed as "illegal combatants" by a German military firing squad on October 5, 1939. Germany's successful invasion of Poland was the action that finally precipitated the start of World War II. At the end of the war Danzig became a Polish territory again and is now known as Gdansk. Unfortunately, it was placed under Russian domination by the Allied Powers and it took until 1990 to achieve independence from Russia.

Danzig/Gdansk has always been a key city for Poland since it provided the country's only access to the Baltic Sea. Apart from the Gulf of Gdansk, Poland is landlocked and has no other way to facilitate ocean-going trade. In the early 1920s, Poland built a neighboring port on the Baltic Sea coast

known as Gdynia, approximately fifteen miles from Gdansk. The Gdansk shipyards are also well known in more recent history as the site where Lech Walesa, head of the Solidarity Union, obtained the support of the shipyard workers to strike for Poland's independence from Russian Communist rule. Lech Walesa won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1983 and was elected the first President of independent and democratic Poland in 1990.

During a chance shopping spree for picture postcards from Danzig/Gdansk, I was fortunate to spot one from December 8, 1898 that had a picture of the "Great Synagogue" of Danzig (the city was at that time under

German rule). This card sparked my curiosity to learn more about the once vibrant Jewish community of Danzig, which had led to the construction of such a magnificent synagogue. The fact that the Synagogue was included on a picture postcard of the city's scenic views and identified as such indicates that Danzig was proud of this architectural gem.

Early records indicate that there were many Jews acting as traders and tradesmen in Gdansk from about the



Poland Scott 1K25 and 1K32.



The "New Synagogue" today.

eleventh century. After the Teutonic Knights were defeated by the Polish King and his nobility in the fifteenth century, Jewish merchants were welcomed back from all parts of Poland and Lithuania. In 1476 Poland's King Casimir IV Jagiellon gave Jews equal rights with other merchants, but religious freedom was slow to increase and not until 1620 were Jews permitted to live within the city. In the late 1700s Gdansk came under Prussian rule and the city was named Danzig again.

In 1880 several Jewish communities within the city (these included approximately 2,800 Jews or about 2.4 percent of Danzig's population) united into a Kahella Board and agreed to build a new synagogue that could be shared in common. Constructed over a two-year period, the "Great Synagogue" held its first service December 8, 1887. It was a grand, domed construction with two flanking towers and a large stained glass window depicting the Star of David. More than 2,000 people could attend services in its vaulted interior.

The Danzig Jews lived peacefully and coexisted with the other religious groups in their city until the Nazis came to power in 1933. As attacks on the synagogue began to grow in intensity, community leaders chose to sell their Judaica collections both to safeguard them and to provide funds to help members who were seeking to leave Germany. Some of these collections were sent to the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York City and are now housed in the Jewish Museum there. The Danzig Jewish community requested that the objects be returned if the community still existed in fifteen years. If not, they were to remain in New York "for the education and inspiration of the rest of the world."<sup>2-4</sup> Finally, on January 8, 1939, the Senate of Danzig bought all the properties held by the Jewish community, including the Great Synagogue, for 300,000 gulden. The last service was held April 15 and a month later the synagogue was leveled; only a few low sections of its foundation walls remain today.

More than half of the city's Jewish population was able to flee to Great Britain, the United States, South America, and Palestine. Those who remained in Danzig eventually were murdered by the Nazis during the Holocaust. Today the Jewish population numbers about 100. In 2001 the only remaining synagogue in Danzig/Gdansk was returned to the Jewish community (the "New Synagogue" in Gdansk-Wrzeszcz.). Built in 1927 and partially destroyed in 1938, the building was used as a furniture warehouse by the Communists following the war. In 2001 the surviving structure, which includes the hall that once housed the main sanctuary, was returned to the Jewish community. In 2009, after a great amount of renovations, the Synagogue is used again for religious services, although much work continues to be needed to restore and maintain the original building.<sup>5</sup> There are no plans to rebuild the Great Synagogue and the site remains vacant.

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# The Rheumatologic Philatelist

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Rheumatology is the medical discipline that treats disorders of the joints, muscles and bones. It is a relatively new medical specialty; the first formal training programs did not begin until the 1950s. There are only about 4,000 rheumatologists in the United States.

Before rheumatology became a major specialty, most patients with arthritis were treated by their general practitioner or our surgical colleagues in orthopedics.

The terms "arthritis" and "rheumatism" are actually lay words, not precise medical terms. **Arthritis** refers in general to painful joints and is often viewed as a natural accompaniment to aging. (It might surprise the reader to know that only about 40 percent of my patients are on Medicare — the major U.S. health insurance plan for those over 65.) **Rheumatism** refers generally to painful muscles rather than joints.

But neither term is precise enough for a rheumatologist. There are more than 100 causes of pain and/or inflammation in joints, muscles and bones, and the treatment may be quite specific. The major illnesses treated by rheumatologists include rheumatoid arthritis, osteoarthritis (also called osteoarthrosis), gout, psoriatic arthritis, systemic lupus, spondylitis, vasculitis (blood vessel inflammation), osteoporosis, and many others. Scientific research by rheumatologists is generally directed at mechanisms of inflammation and the immune system. Rheumatologists treat patients using three major approaches: medications (including the new biologic wonder drugs), injections, and good advice (about activity, diet, etc.).



Thailand (Scott 833) also used an X-ray to symbolize the fight against arthritis.

Medical subjects are among the most popular for topical collectors. In this survey, I will provide a broad view of rheumatologic subjects on stamps.

## World Rheumatism Year

April 7 of each year, the anniversary date of the founding of the World Health Organization (WHO), is World Health Day as administered by WHO. The program started in 1962 with attention drawn to malaria. Every year since, WHO has chosen another topic such as trachoma, hypertension, tuberculosis, smoking, etc. The year 1977 was World Rheumatism Year (WRY), and twenty-two countries issued stamps for the occasion (see checklist on page 663).

A popular design theme for WRY was a human figure, often shown bent over or with a cane; neither image is actually realistic (the art suggests a patient using a cane for back and spine disease, which is actually rarely due to arthritis but more likely due to bone disease), but the stamp designers in Chad, Greece, Iceland, Lesotho, Pakistan, and Portugal chose this route. Two examples are shown from Lesotho and Pakistan.

Diagrams of joints also were popular (Belgium, Bulgaria, Cameroon, Kuwait, Maldives, Mauritania, and Thailand), especially in X-ray format. The 1L Maldivian stamp is a design error. It shows a heart, but heart disease is — with rare exceptions — not a part of most rheumatic diseases. Rheumatic heart disease is a totally *unrelated* entity despite the name similarity, a fact which obviously confused whoever designed the stamps.

Finally, miscellaneous designs included aspirin (Brazil) a clinic (Benin), a spa (Hungary), and various symbolic designs (Bolivia, Netherlands, Poland, San Marino, Tunisia, and Uruguay).

None of these stamps actually pictures an arthritic



Lesotho's WRY set (Scott 233–236) depicted a figure with a cane to symbolize arthritis.



Pakistan (Scott 444) chose a symbolic figure just like that of Lesotho.



With the advent of drugs that can halt the progression of rheumatoid arthritis, X-rays are increasingly valuable in disease management (Mauritania Scott 366).



Aspirin (Brazil Scott 1498) was once given at a rate of 10–12 tablets per day for control of inflammatory arthritis.



The Maldives set (Scott 715–718) included an error of design: rheumatic heart disease is an unrelated entity.



Access to a specialized clinic (Benin Scott 375) is the first step in treatment of arthritis.



Many Eastern European countries (Hungary Scott 2507) offer "taking the waters" as treatment.



To the best of the author's knowledge, this was the only item of postal stationery issued for WRY.



Some countries (Uruguay Scott 1004) used a generic design.

joint. However, Austria Scott 1143 shows a hand with swollen knuckles, and this is a typical finding in severe rheumatoid arthritis. The cachet on this cover is also of particular interest. First of all, it correctly depicts the joints generally affected in rheumatoid arthritis (except for the head). In addition, many rheumatologists use a simple drawing in their patient's chart for each visit to record which joints are painful or swollen at the time of examination.

### Famous Arthritis Doctors

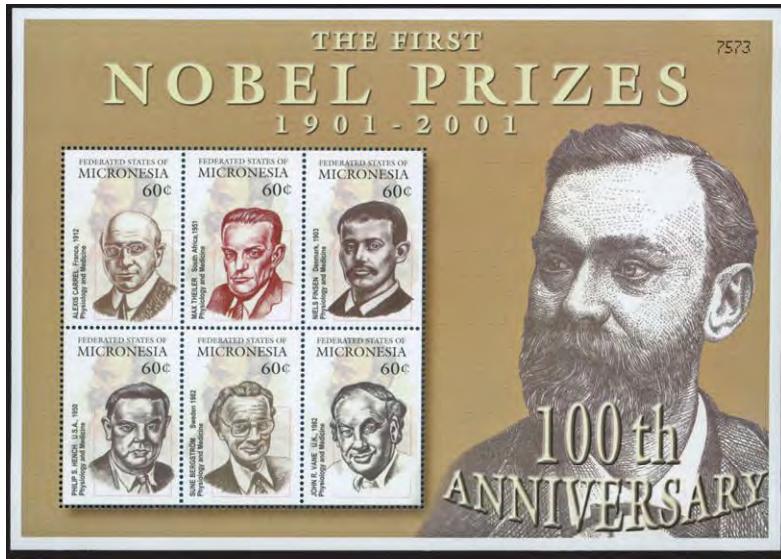
Two rheumatologists have won the Nobel Prize, one of whom is pictured on two stamps. **Philip Hench**, working at the Mayo Clinic with a chemist named Edward Kendall (who shared the prize), administered an extract from the adrenal gland known then as Compound E and subsequently called cortisone, to a patient with severe rheumatoid arthritis. The patient's improvement was dramatic and cortisone-related compounds remain an important

part of today's treatment, albeit with great caution due to long-term side effects. Hench is shown on a Micronesia souvenir sheet. He also was pictured partially erroneously on Comoro Island 257, a stamp honoring Nobel laureates in chemistry — Hench's prize actually was in Physiology and Medicine, the category where it should have been shown. The other Nobel winning rheumatologist was **Baruch Blumberg**, who trained in rheumatology but worked mainly in the closely allied field of immunology; he won the prize for discovering the Australia antigen, which is the causative agent of hepatitis B. Blumberg was pictured on a souvenir sheet (not shown) issued by Maldives.

Two other Nobel laureates have a close connection to rheumatology. **Elie Metchnikoff** (1845–1916) was a Russian bacteriologist at



This Austrian stamp (Scott 1143) is the only stamp that actually shows a truly arthritic hand.



Philip Hench (left) won the Nobel Prize for discovering the medicinal value of cortisone. Hench is shown in the lower left corner of the souvenir sheet.

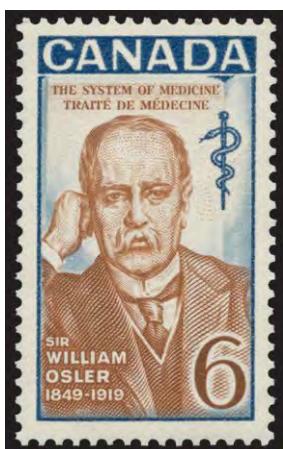


Elie Metchnikoff (France Scott B398) won a Nobel Prize for his work on the science of inflammation.



Behçet's disease is a strange disorder involving the eyes, joints, skin, and blood vessels.

William Osler (Canada 495) is one of the world's most famous physicians, but he tried to avoid treating arthritis patients.



von Hebra (Austria Scott 1000) was a dermatologist; many rheumatic diseases also involve the skin.



the University of Odessa. He observed the process of phagocytosis by which white blood cells ingest particles or immune molecules leading to inflammation, a cornerstone of many rheumatic diseases. He is shown on stamps issued by Russia and France; he shared the prize with Paul Ehrlich in 1908. **Sir Derek Barton** studied the chemical conformation of steroid molecules for which he was awarded a Nobel in 1969.

A rare rheumatic disorder is known as Behçet's syndrome, named for **Hulusi Behçet**, a Turkish dermatologist who described a series of patients in 1937 with recurrent painful oral and genital ulcers combined with inflammation of the eye (uveitis). Arthritis often accompanies the disorder. He is shown on Tunisian stamps issued for an ophthalmologic conference.

**William Osler**, one of the giants of early twentieth-century medicine, wrote extensively about systemic lupus, and is notorious for his quote: "When a patient with arthritis comes in the front door, I go out the back." Indeed, when he practiced, there was little that could be done. In the current era, it is safe to say that no one should develop the crippling deformities of advanced rheumatoid arthritis.

**Ferdinand von Hebra** was an Austrian dermatologist who first described the rash of systemic lupus using the term "butterfly" for the char-

acteristic distribution of the rash over the cheeks and bridge of the nose.

## Famous Arthritis Patients

Several famous victims of rheumatic disease are notable. **Christiaan Barnard** was the surgeon who performed the world's first heart transplant in 1967 in South Africa. His career was cut short by the development of rheumatoid arthritis (RA) which generally affects the hands, as it did in his case. Similarly, **Renoir**, who has appeared on many stamps, was crippled by RA and legend has it that his assistant had to help him hold the paint brushes in his later years. (The French painter **Dufy** apparently also had RA.) It may surprise the reader to learn that children can also get rheumatoid arthritis, now called juvenile idiopathic arthritis. The great Catalan architect **Antoni Gaudi I Cor net** seems to have suffered from this childhood condition.

**Paul Klee**, the noted Swiss German painter, is said to have suffered from scleroderma, a debilitating connective tissue disease characterized by poor circulation in the hands and by tightening of the skin of the fingers with constricted movement. Both disorders are clearly an impediment to professions which require dexterity in the fingers.

**Phil Mickelson**, the well-known golfer, has psoriatic arthritis and has appeared frequently on U.S. television advertising a popular drug



This stamp (South Africa Scott 355) was issued to honor the hospital, but Christiaan Barnard was its most famous surgeon; his career ended prematurely because of rheumatoid arthritis.



Gaudi (Spain Scott 1874) is believed to have had arthritis as a child.



Carl Scheele (Scott 336-337) discovered uric acid, the substance which causes gout

for that condition. He was pictured on a souvenir sheet issued by Mozambique (not shown).

Most rheumatic diseases are chronic and long lasting, but rarely fatal. The exception is systemic lupus, once invariably fatal but now subject to many lifesaving treatments. Possible victims of lupus who have appeared on stamps include **Louisa May Alcott** and **Ferdinand Marcos** (not shown). However, lupus is often over diagnosed and — with reference to Marcos especially — is actually not very common in men.

A large category of arthritis victims on stamps would be persons with gout. Gout is extremely common, and many famous persons have been its victims, too many to show in this brief survey. The list is supposed to include Henry VIII, Benjamin Franklin, Alfred Lord Tennyson, Isaac Newton and many others. However, the term gout was used in past years to mean many things and might not have meant then what it means today, viz. a specific form of arthritis due to crystals of uric acid set free within a joint and causing severe inflammation. But the discoverer of uric acid, **Carl Wilhelm Scheele**, a poor apothecary's assistant in Sweden in the eighteenth century, is shown on a coil stamp. (Scheele also is said to have also discovered oxygen, but because of his lowly social status, he was unable to report his finding to the scientific society and Priestly eventually got the credit.)

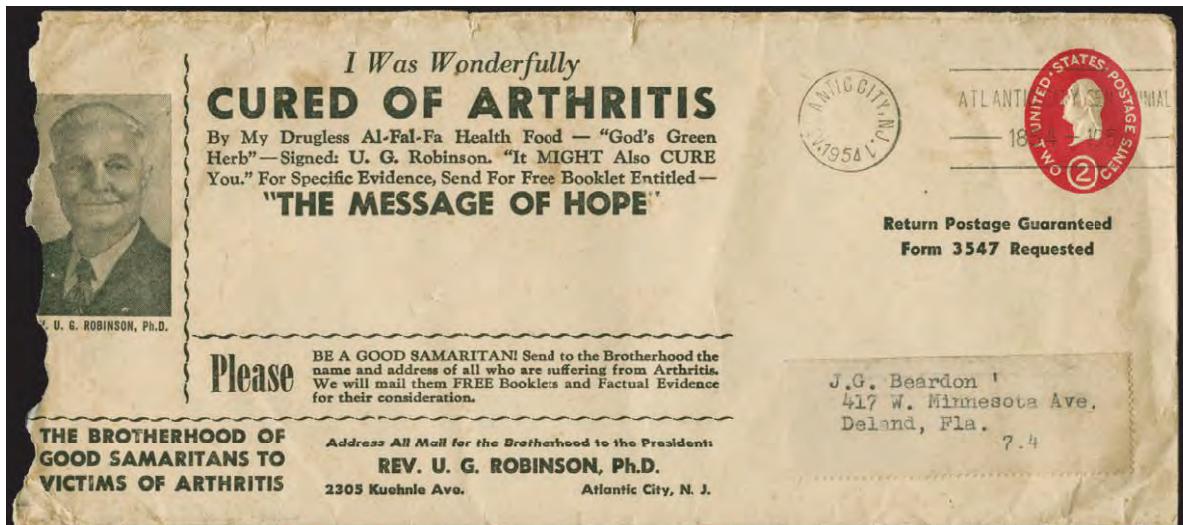
## Arthritis Treatments

I suspect that no form of human affliction has been subject to more quack remedies than arthritis and rheumatism. Hundreds of snake oil preparations, herbs, and supplements have been touted as cures for rheumatic diseases. It should be noted that just like hypertension, diabetes, asthma and many chronic lifelong diseases, arthritis cannot be "cured." The purpose of treatment is to relieve symptoms and prevent long-term complications.

Several quite legitimate treatments have appeared on stamps. The Brazil stamp for World Rheumatism Year showed the



Paul Klee (Germany Michel 1029) is believed to have suffered from scleroderma



Cures of arthritis (and rheumatism) were claimed for many quack medicines.

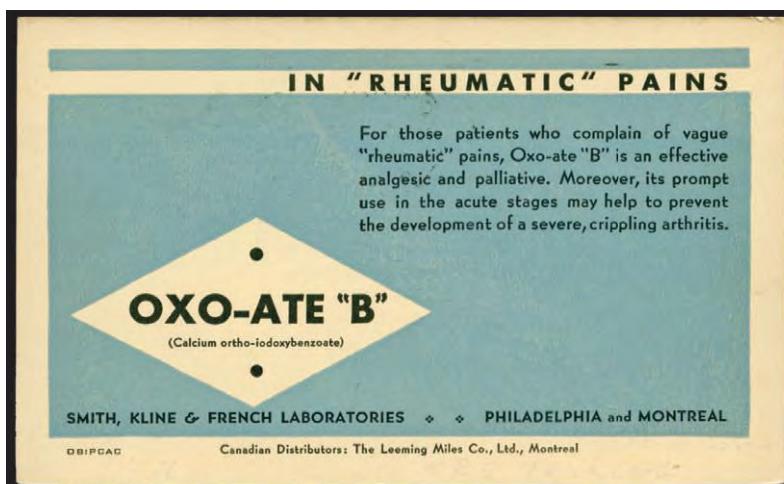
crystal structure of aspirin. When I started my career in 1972, it was routine to prescribe ten to twelve aspirin tablets per day for many patients; now, of course, this would set off alarms and bring out the lawyers, but in its day, it was surprisingly well tolerated. Drugs in the quinine family, known as anti-malarials, were found to have beneficial effects in rheumatic diseases, especially rheumatoid arthritis and lupus. Colchicine, an important drug for treatment of gout, was known to the ancients and is derived from the autumn crocus. Another treatment once used but now no longer considered effective is "Oxo-ate B" (calcium ortho-iodoxybenzoate).

Finally, of course, we come back to cortisone. A stamp from the United Kingdom honored cortisone. *Percy Lavon Julian* overcame great adversity to attain a career as a chemist and developed a method



Quinine derivatives (Cuba Scott 759) have beneficial effects in several arthritic conditions.

Colchicine (Albania Scott 1584) is an ancient remedy still used today for gout.



Claims like those shown on this postcard would never be allowed in the modern era.



Steroids like cortisone (Great Britain Scott 806) are invaluable but have serious side effects and must be used with caution.

## Percy Lavon Julian

Industrial Chemist

April 11, 1899 - April 19, 1975



Dr. Julian made a substance called "Compound S." The method he used proved to be a very inexpensive way of making available large quantities of cortisone.

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This postmark publicizes a fund-raising effort for arthritis.

Percy Julian (U.S. Scott 2746) pioneered methods for industrial scale production of cortisone.

## ARTHRITIS CARE



It is actually very rare to see a patient in a wheelchair exclusively due to arthritis (Great Britain Scott 939).

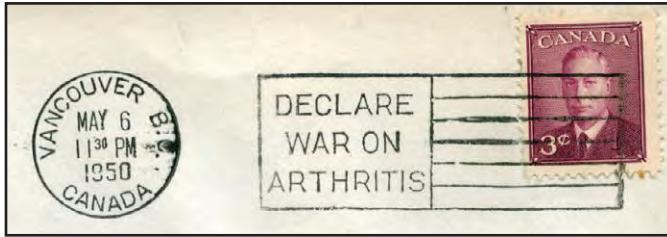
More than 10,000 doctors and scientists attend the annual arthritis conference in Europe.



These stamps (Scott 1447-1448) honored a major arthritis meeting in the Philippines. The design shows common "pain spots" and is actually quite accurate.



The USPS offered a special postmark for the International Congress of Rheumatology in June, 1977.



The war on arthritis is almost but not yet won.

for industrial scale production of cortisone.

Finding new treatments for arthritis is very expensive. Hence telethons have been used to raise funds.

Virtually none of my patients is in a wheelchair due to arthritis. In the current era, timely referral of patients to a specialist should be expected to protect a patient from such a fate. Nevertheless, stamps issued to promote care of the disabled often cite arthritis as a cause of disability. Many older patients believe that taking therapeutic baths in mineral waters can ease the pain of arthritis, but alas, such relief is transitory and definitive treatment, where it exists, comes only from medications.

### Conferences

Like all professionals, rheumatologists like to gather at meetings to share their observations and research findings. Several stamps have been issued to honor important rheumatologic congresses. One of the biggest annual events is called EULAR (European League Against Rheumatism). SEAPAL (Southeast Asia and Pacific Area League Against Rheumatism) is also well attended.

The United States did not issue a stamp for WRY in 1977 (to the best of my knowledge, they have never participated in any WHO stamp issues), but the annual meeting of the American Rheumatism Association was held in San Francisco that year and was converted from a national to an international event. The USPS set up a substation in the Fairmont Hotel and offered a special cancellation.

### Conclusions

We all recognize that stamps are messengers that can disseminate important information widely, and health

### Checklist of Stamps Issued for World Rheumatism Year, 1977

Country	Scott #	Design Theme
Belgium	B951	joint
Benin	375	clinic
Bolivia	627, 697	symbolic
Brazil	1498	aspirin
Bulgaria	2409	joint X-ray
Cameroon	C260	joints
Chad	338–340	human figures
Greece	1199–1203	human figures
Hungary	2507	feet in spa bath
Iceland	502	human figures
Kuwait	707–710	joints
Lesotho	233–236	human figures
Maldives	715–718	joints, heart
Mauritania	366	joint X-ray
Netherlands	B251	symbolic
Pakistan	444	human figures
Poland	postal card	symbolic
Portugal	1329–1331	human figures
San Marino	918	symbolic
Thailand	833	joint X-ray
Tunisia	710	symbolic
Uruguay	1004	symbolic

causes are very popular. Arthritis is badly misunderstood, not only by patients but, alas, also by many health care practitioners. Hopefully, I have used these stamps to dispel some myths and suggest leads for victims of rheumatic disorders towards better health.

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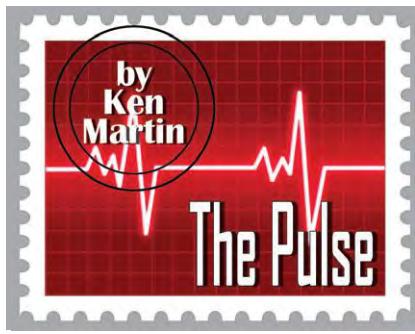
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Congratulations also to the **Rochester Philatelic Association** and the **American Topical Association** on their joint NTSS/ROPEX show in New York. Offering “two shows in one” increased attendance and reduced costs. APS offered an “On-the-Road” course prior to this event, giving collectors yet another reason to attend.

The following week in Ohio the **Rubber City and Cuyahoga Falls APS chapters** had a joint meeting featuring APS volunteer Dick Osman, who maximized his trip by also speaking at the Akron Collectors Club. Based on reports I have heard, this joint effort also was very successful.

Our Society values competition encouraging each of us to strive to be the best. However, sometimes we can accomplish more working together to build upon all our individual talents. That is certainly the purpose of the **philatelic librarians** who gather for regular meetings and to promote the ongoing growth of the union catalog of philatelic library holdings. By sharing excess holdings, more materials can be made easily accessible to collectors around the country. Coordinating efforts reduces duplication and allows more to be accomplished. By agreeing on a single set of standards, the work one library does in cataloguing a publication can be used by other libraries.

Some members view the **National Postal Museum** as competition for the American Philatelic Society. We do compete for donor dollars, but we should also be rooting for their success and the success of **Linn's Stamp News** and other hobby organizations. The more visitors the NPM attracts, the more people who are exposed to stamp collecting. If *Linn's* subscription base doubled that would be a lot more strong candidates for membership for the APS.

A significant number of APS chapter *members* are not individual members of the APS. If they did not have a local chapter they might be more likely to join the APS, but we need our local chapters to have a greater presence throughout the country, to offer programs on stamp collecting to non-philatelic groups in their area, to facilitate collectors meeting each other, and to recruit individuals to stamp collecting.

While **APS STAMPSHOW** is known for its Champion of Champions competition, it would not be as significant an event without the participation of many groups. First day ceremonies attract collectors, and United States Postal Service support of a mass mailing of postcards to households in the area of the show results



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in hundreds of additional attendees. APS offering tables and meeting space to affiliates makes these groups more likely to hold events at the show and attract more of their members to the event. The Stamp Show Conference being held immediately prior to the show is a good example of cooperation between the APS and ASDA.

Even if it is not the tipping point in luring additional attendees to STAMPSHOW, the conference should result in strengthened philatelic events around the country.

How else can and should the APS be working with other organizations? We would love to hear your ideas.

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Progress continues on the American Philatelic Center. The floor has been poured and the room is being finished for high density compact shelving in our Library. This shelving will allow us to use space more efficiently and make materials more accessible. The construction, which we hope to be finished by the time you are reading this, also will provide a rare book room and a map/large document room.

Architect and APS member Charles O'Brien visited in May and left with at least three projects. One is to break the remaining Library plans into small more manageable chunks or phases. Barring one or more very large gifts we probably won't be able to finish all the Library space at the same time; however, we would like to be able to share with donors and members a logical series of progress that should be achievable, so that a member visiting once a year could see clear progress on every visit and donors would know what should be expected next.

Charles also will be reviewing our parking and traffic circulation. While all the finished space we are not using is leased, potential tenants have expressed interest in all remaining unfinished space. However, we have reached the current limit of impervious surface and our own parking needs restricts our ability to generate more income by leasing additional space. We also would like to be able to accept large truck deliveries without employees having to move their vehicles.

We thank those of you who are already planning to come to our third annual volunteer work week from July 22-26. This week allows us to accomplish many projects for which staff time is not available. Members have helped organize our collection of Fakes and Forgeries; developed finding aids for library archives; and organized photos. In addition, since volunteer week is held just a couple weeks before StampShow, we typically can use volunteer help in preparations for that event. This year some volunteers may have an opportunity to move materials from our Library annex to the compact shelving.



Congratulations to Joe Hahn and Ernie Bergman, long-time APS volunteers who both recently received medals recognizing fifty years of APS membership.

We also are happy to work with members who would like to volunteer but can not travel to Bellefonte. For example, Tony Croce, a trained indexer, has volunteered to index journals he receives: *Linn's, American Stamp Dealer and Collector*, and *The American Philatelist*. He sends us files using our indexing format and we are loading them in the Union Catalog.

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I end with sad news of the passing of two APS members **Greg Sutherland** and **Wallace Cleland**. After retiring with twenty years service in the Air Force, Greg became a professional philatelist and dealer who was a regular at APS and many other shows. He did not just sell, but was a postal historian who was a member of at least seventeen national philatelic organizations.

Wallace Cleland was a nationally recognized researcher, collector and writer on numerous philatelic subjects, particularly the production and printing of U.S. postage and revenue stamps. Best known for his extensive service to the U.S. Stamp Society, he chaired their Plate Number Checklist service, was a major contributor to the *Durland Plate Number Catalog*, served on the USSS board and as chair of their board. He served as an APS Expert, taught at two APS Summer Seminars, and was the author of more than 200 philatelic articles.

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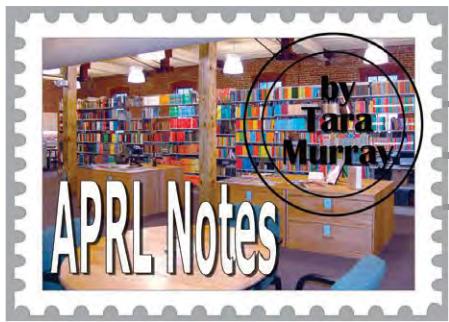
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Title	<a href="#">The United States issues of 1918-20</a>
Author	<a href="#">Lybarger, Donald F.</a>
Responsibility	by Donald F. Lybarger
Series	American Philatelist Handbook series 1937 ; no. 2
Call Number	G3701 .D313 L981u 1937
Tracing	American Philatelic Society ; The American Philatelist Series
Place	Federalsburg, MD
Publisher	The American Philatelist (Printed by the Stowell Printing Co.),
Publication Date	c1937
Subjects	<a href="#">United States   1918-1920   20th Century   Definitive Issues Production   Errors and Varieties   Plates and Plating Plate Blocks and Numbers</a>
Type	Book
Language	English
Phys Desc	46 p. : ill. ; 25 cm.
Notes	Reproduced from <i>The American Philatelist</i> , February-August, 1937. An edition of 30 unnumbered press copies and 300 serially numbered library copies, the Library's copy no. 1 is numbered 238 ; its copy no. 3 is numbered 272. The Library's copy no. 2 contains blank pages.
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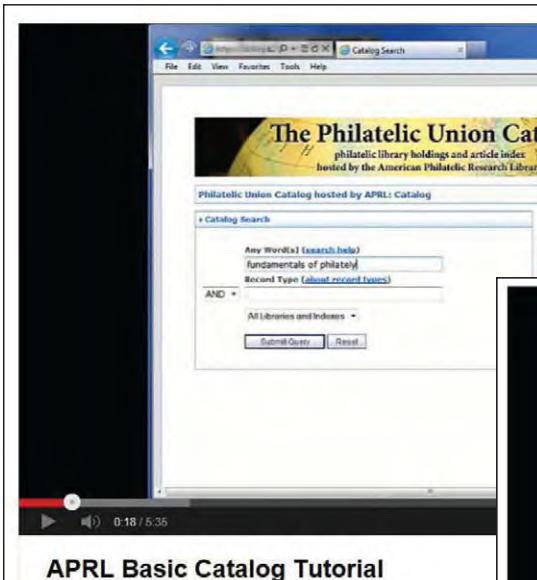
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such as Lybarger's, which has neither an index nor a table of contents, the search can make the book many times more valuable to the researcher.

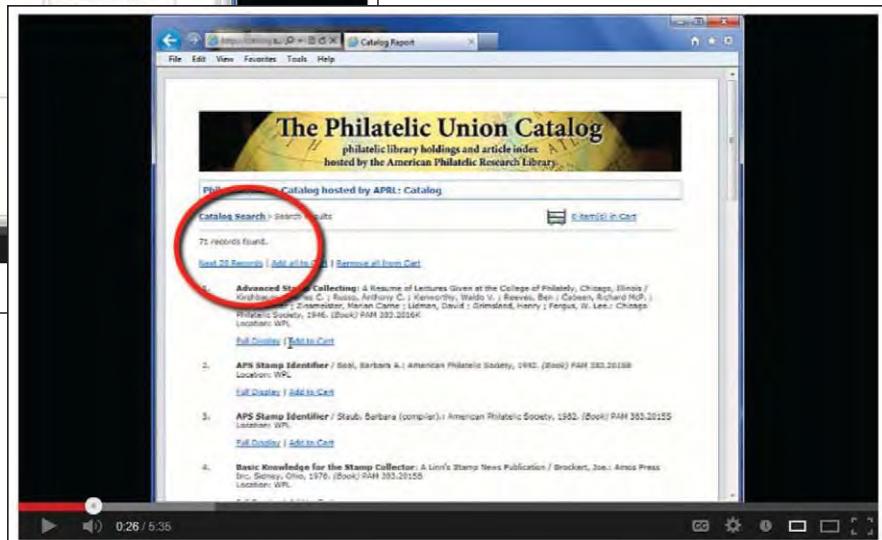
Of course, Lybarger's book is short and it wouldn't take that long to read the whole thing cover to cover. But imagine the impact of search on a multi-volume work!

Searching digital texts also can help readers discover works previously un-

known to them. This is possible when multiple works are loaded into the same system and searchable together. For an example, see the Digitized U.S. Postal Bulletins website ([www.uspostalbulletins.com](http://www.uspostalbulletins.com)). Here you can search the entire run of the *U.S. Postal Bulletin* from 1880–1971 (with later issues coming soon). Using the printed *Postal Bulletin*, you had to know approximately when the information you were looking for



The APRL Search Tutorial Video is online at [www.youtube.com/watch?v=a2ATMoRTgEA](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a2ATMoRTgEA).



was published — or wade through volumes of text, page by page. Now, just type your search term into a box and see all of the hits.

The *Postal Bulletin* project is spearheaded by Tony Wawrukiewicz. Tony is now turning his attention to another U.S. government publication, the *Postal Laws & Regulations*. The APRL is assisting by scanning *PL&R* volumes from our collection. The scanning is being done by volunteer Jeff Thompson using the book scanner purchased by the Mighty Buck Club donors.

One of Jeff's other projects in the library is scanning back issues of *The American Philatelist*. Eventually, you'll be able to search the entire run of the magazine from 1887 to current issues. You'll no longer have to wrack your brain trying to remember if that article you want to re-read was published in the 1980s or 1970s — you'll be able to search for it. In the process, you may even discover a new article to read. (In the meantime, don't wrack your brain too much. Just call or e-mail the library and we'll help you find that article!)

While Jeff does an amazing amount of scanning (we joke that the book scanner gets tired before he does!), he is only one person. Leslie Citrome, a member

who has expertise in digitization and has written on the topic for professional journals, has offered to help out with scanning. The only thing slowing him down was not having access to older issues of the *AP*, but luckily around the same time another member, Allan Long, offered to supply decades' worth of the magazine.

If you would like to contribute to digitization projects at the APRL, there are many ways to help. We welcome suggestions for publications to digitize. Every digital project we have undertaken so far has come from a member suggestion and fit the priorities established by our Digital Resources Committee.

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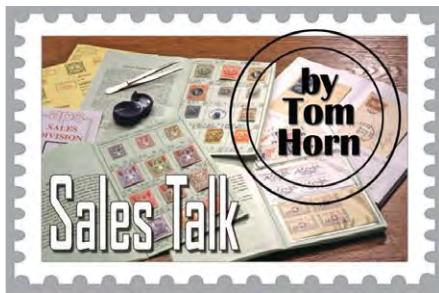
## Learn To Search the Online Catalog

The APS recently purchased Camtasia, a software package that captures a computer screen in video format. (Thank you again to the Mighty Buck Club!) I used it to make a short tutorial demonstrating how to find a book in the library catalog. Check it out on the APS YouTube channel at [www.youtube.com/watch?v=a2ATMoRTgEA](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a2ATMoRTgEA).

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# Sellers' Stories

From time to time, we have featured stories of how collectors got into the hobby. It was suggested that we feature stories about the sellers who have used the circuit system to turn their material into cash. These are some of the stories we have gleaned from years of talking with our sellers and from learning a little about them, from them. We have chosen not to divulge their names.

Our first seller joined the APS in 1948 and has sold stamps through us since the early 1950s. He had a mail order business on the side from his regular job in law enforcement. In the last twenty-five years, he has been buying auction lots for the sole purpose of mounting stamps in our sales books. He contacts me to see what we need for the circuits and then bids on certain lots to meet those needs. His identification of stamps and covers is on target, even in some areas where paper determines the item's value. I enjoy our conversations, because I learn the hobby from the perspective of a seasoned collector/dealer. He is able to put himself in the position of a buyer when he prices his material and it pays off. He regularly sells about 55 percent of the material he submits. (The system-wide average is about 32 percent.)

Another seller has been a member of APS since the 1950s and his family has been heavily involved in his business. Much of the material he has submitted for sale has been items that he had offered at his bourse booths. He then pulled the items from the booth offerings and mounted them in sales books at deep discounts. In the last thirty years, several family members have also shared the labor of mounting sales books and all have sold very well. Their average sales per book have been 59 percent with many individual books hitting 80 percent sales. This family knows the business and knows what will sell and at what price. And they have proven results.

At the time the APS StampStore began, a seller was trying to determine which items to place in books and which should be placed online. He checked the listings in StampStore and found many copies of some of the early U.S. stamps he wanted to sell. He found very few items of Liberia. He placed his Liberian material online and sold very well, as there was little competition. He mounted the early U.S. in sales books, thinking that each circuit would have just a couple of copies of each stamp he was submitting and therefore increase his chances of selling them. Good thinking, but the

pricing he chose for the condition of the items made this experiment fall short of his expectations. He sold 13 percent of the submitted book values.

In the 1970s, a member from Central America sent sales books that had rusted staples and faded covers from the heat and humidity of the region. Much of his material was used and priced very low because of some real "tropical stains." His offerings included many European and Latin American countries. One time, he sent several books of U.S. mint stamps. His prices for the stamps were, in most cases, under the face value and, in others, just enough to give him face value after our commission. We held the books and wrote to him, pointing out that he might want to reconsider his pricing philosophy on these items. He gave us the OK to circulate them saying that he couldn't use them for postage where he lived in Central America. Members on the circuits bought them all. In addition, he had been selling West German material priced at what amounted to face value. One circuit member noted that he didn't need them for his collection, but he bought them for providing return postage to dealers in Germany when he bought items through them.

One very famous dealer was sending sales books to us that contained squares of material from Graf Zeppelins, apparently thinking that would be a nice addition to a Zeppelin cover collection. At \$15, he did not sell many. Thankfully, he had only mounted one square per book and the rest of the items were very desirable, resulting in good sales for his books overall.

We had one seller who, as a buyer, had received a circuit without signing for it. We asked him if he received the circuit, since we had not received his report

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sheet. He responded that he had not received it. The sender did not have proof that it was mailed and had to pay for the “loss in the mail.” As luck would have it, we were investigating some substitutions in the circuit books and focused on this particular seller. In addition, we noticed that he had submitted sales books. We checked microfilm records of the “lost circuit” and compared those stamps to the ones he had submitted in sales books and they matched. He was eventually expelled from the APS.

One seller, who had submitted several thousand books during a forty-year period, mounted unusual items that no one else was submitting and in many different categories. The only problem with his material was his insistence on stamping a small, light mark on the backs of his stamps as his own security device, apparently not trusting our microfilm procedures. He once sent two books of the peacock overprints of the Japanese Occupation of Burma. We sent them to the only expert known for this area and to whom we sent items only when he agreed to look at them. The expert would lightly mark his initials in pencil on the back of the genuine overprinted stamps as an “expert mark.” He would pull the forgeries and place them in envelopes for return to the sellers. We rejected the two books because most of the items contained forged overprints. When the seller complained about the marks on the backs of his stamps, we noted that the only known expert on those stamps

made the mark. He did not respond to our letter about it, but he did remount the genuinely overprinted stamps in new sales books and entered them as “expertized.” I don’t recall if they sold on the circuits.

One seller submitted quite a few books of U.S. Fancy Cancels on Scott 65. He only lived thirty-five miles from State College. He would drop off some books and look through material we had in our files at the time. On one occasion, he set aside a book that had an item he wanted. His wife, sitting beside him, picked up the book and asked him if he was sure he wanted to buy something from the book. He said yes, there was a cancel he thought he needed. She said, “Did you look at whose book it was?” When he looked at it, he saw that it was one of his. Then he said, “I didn’t mean to sell that stamp. I guess I’ll have to buy it back.” He did and he was more careful about selecting items to sell from then on.

Another seller had worked for the U.S. Information Agency and had a lot of stamps from his travels. He did sell well at the start. As the years went by, he began mounting very lightly cancelled stamps. He then started “cleaning” stamps to brighten their appearances. We figure that he must have been using a whitening agent, but he never admitted to anything; however, we had to reject books when they had bleached spots on the green pages of the sales books.

We have had several members from outside the U.S. selling through us. A

couple of them are selling recent, used stamps of several countries and selling very well, since these stamps are difficult to find with the electronic communication age taking over. A recently deceased member from Europe sold material through us for about thirty years. His early submissions had very good prices, but he eventually based his pricing on the European market, which for many countries has been at higher prices than the U.S. market. His handwriting also

### Request a Circuit

A screenshot of the American Philatelic Society website. The main navigation bar includes links for Home, Join, Buy, Sell, Consign, Events, and Support the Hobby. Below the navigation, there's a "Sales Division" section with a heading "What the Sales Division Can Offer You!" and a list of bullet points. To the right, there's a "How do I begin?" section with a list of questions and a "Next Auction Aug 8-11" announcement.

On the back wrapper of this issue, please note the circuit request form. A business reply card is also included with this issue in the “Letters to the Editor” section. Review the list of circuit categories then use the card to request circuits in your areas of interest. Contact us if you have any questions about which categories might contain the material you collect. A list of our circuit categories with the countries/areas that you are likely to find in those categories is on our website at <http://stamps.org/How-to-Buy>. Click on the first question at the bottom of that page to view the list in pdf format.

deteriorated to the point where we had trouble reading the entries.

We have had sales book examiners submit material from their collections. Some have sold well and some have not. If buyers knew the background of the seller, they would have bought items offered, knowing that the stamps were genuine in all respects, correctly identified, and priced accordingly.

### Sales Division at STAMPSHOW

As I noted last month, the Sales Division will have the regular circuit books at StampShow for buying individual items. We will also have Clearance books available. These are books that have circulated through our regular circuit system and the remaining contents are for sale as a *whole book purchase* at a discount.

In addition, we will have show specials: Buy ten blank sales books and receive five more free. This applies to all five styles of books we will have on hand at the show. You may pre-order blank books and mounts for pick-up at the show. Pre-orders must be received by July 25, 2013, with payment and a note that you are picking the order up at the show to get the special offer. We also will have an additional special at the Sales Division booth. Just look for the "Special" sign.

Plan to circulate among our dealers at the show and then visit the Sales Division booth to continue buying. Bring your want lists with you, as we are sure you will find what you need for your collection at the show.

### Letters from the Sales Division

It is important to note that when we send letters to members and a response is requested, it would be very helpful to receive a timely response. The sooner

we know the member's situation that prompted the letter, the more flexible we can be in working on a solution or correction to a problem. Monthly, our sales program generates letters for sending to members who might have had a circuit for longer than the allowed processing time. The letters ask for a response within two weeks as to whether the member has received a named circuit or not. If we receive no response within thirty days, we send a reminder. Getting a response to the first letter allows us to move on to finding the circuit, if it was not received, or lets us sit and wait for the report sheet from the member who has delayed the circuit. We treat circuit delay situations on a case-by-case basis, knowing that some situations are beyond a member's control. If we have to send a third letter to get a response, a complaint with the APS Board of Vice Presidents may be in order.

Letters asking for money related to circuit purchases are treated the same way. We can work with a member who responds right away on how to settle the account. While we do not accept installment buying, we do remain flexible when handling a member's difficult financial situation.

### USPS Tracking Labels

As noted in April's column, USPS Tracking can be used instead of Signature Confirmation to mail circuits between members. Please note that since this is a new service for the USPS (although Delivery Confirmation has been around a while), there might be "glitches" when dealing with local post offices. One member said that his post office could not read the self-adhesive bar-coded label that he had obtained from the USPS. They applied a computer

generated label, which was the one used for scanning into the system. In speaking with a regional office representative with the USPS, she stated that the process you can follow for using the labels is what we noted in the April *American Philatelist*: Obtain some Tracking labels, small flat-rate Priority boxes, flat-rate Priority padded envelopes and stamps from the USPS. Apply a Tracking label and the appropriate postage (\$5.80 for the box and \$5.95 for the padded envelope) and let the mail carrier pick it up. You may take it to the post office as well. If you let the postal clerk generate the label and you purchase postage for it, keep the cash register receipt, since it contains the tracking number. Until this new set of procedures is in place for about a year, you may run into minor glitches, depending on which post office you use. Let us know what problems you experience and we will try to assess the situation for further action, if necessary.

### '5 for 10' Categories (Needs)

You can earn coupons for free blank books for every ten completed books (Clearance books do not qualify) containing material from a set list of categories. Visit <http://stamps.org/Stamps-Needed> for more information and the list of qualifying categories or contact us to obtain a hard copy of the list. [NOTE: Single-country books usually have better sales.]

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All information is subject to change without notice. While every effort is made to ensure accuracy, you should check with the specific show to verify information. The APS website listing includes shows much further in advance than we have space to include in The American Philatelist.

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Bay De Noc Stamp and Coin Club Show Bay De Noc Stamp and Coin Club, Bay College Heirman Building, 2001 N. Lincoln Ave., Escanaba. \*B\*

Contact: Mark Kuehn, 906-786-2103  
E-mail: triplejump@charter.net

#### Minnesota July 19-21

Minnesota Stamp Expo Twin City Philatelic Society and Various Local Clubs, Crystal

Community Ctr., 4800 Douglas Dr., N., Minneapolis. \*WSP\*  
Contact: Randy A. Smith, 952-431-3273  
E-mail: rasmay4@frontiernet.net  
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#### Ohio July 21

Hudson Stamp Bourse Lincolnway Stamps, Clarion Inn, 6625 Dean Memorial Parkway, Hudson. \*B\*  
Contact: David G. Pool, 330-832-5992  
E-mail: lincolnway@sssnnet.com

#### Pennsylvania July 22-26

Volunteer Work Week Hosted at the American Philatelic Center, 100 Match Factory Place, Bellefonte. \*APS\*  
Contact: Gretchen Moody, 814-933-3803  
E-mail: gretchen@stamps.org  
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#### Illinois July 27-28

NSDA Chicago Show National Stamp Dealers Association, White Eagles Hall, 6839 N. Milwaukee Ave., Niles. \*B\*  
Contact: Terry Kurzinski, 815-262-9117  
E-mail: tkurzinski2002@yahoo.com

#### Louisiana July 27-28

ARK-LA-TEX Coin Stamp & Card Expo Red River Stamp Society, Bossier City Civic Center, 620 Benton Road, Bossier City. \*B\*  
Contact: John Thomas, 318-797-6911  
E-mail: t1026262177@cs.com  
Website: [www.coininfo.com/coin\\_shows/show2551](http://www.coininfo.com/coin_shows/show2551)

#### North Carolina July 27-28

CHARPEX 2013 Charlotte Philatelic Society, Taylor Building, Central Piedmont Community College, 1224 Elizabeth Avenue, Charlotte.  
Contact: Gene Zhiss, 704-553-8110  
E-mail: ejzhiss@carolina.rr.com  
Website: [www.charpex.info/](http://www.charpex.info/)

#### Connecticut

July 28

Fourth Sunday Stamp Show New Haven Philatelic Society, Annex YMA Hall, 554 Woodward Ave., New Haven. \*B\*  
Contact: Brian McGrath, 203-627-6874  
E-mail: hukeda@comcast.net  
Website: [www.NHPS1914.org/](http://www.NHPS1914.org/)

#### Thailand

August 2-14

Thailand 2013 General World Philatelic Exhibition, Bangkok.  
Contact: Stephen D. Schumann  
Contact address: 2417 Cabrillo Drive, Hayward, CA 94545  
E-mail: sdsc@earthlink.net  
Website: <http://thailand2013.com/>

#### Michigan

August 3

TC Phil 5th Annual Coin and Stamp Show Cherryland Coin and Stamp Club, VFW Post 2780, 3400 Veterans Dr., Traverse City. \*B\*  
Contact: Pete Kendra or Richard Bond  
E-mail: pete@bookcellar-tc.com or richardebond@att.net

#### Colorado

August 3-4

NSDA Denver Show National Stamp Dealers Association, Denver Merchandise Mart, 451 East 58th Ave., Denver. \*B\*  
Contact: Ron Lampo, 720-771-0841  
E-mail: stamps@lampo.cnc.net

#### Michigan

August 3-4

COLPEX'13 Collectors Club of Michigan, Sokol Cultural Center, 23600 W. Warren Ave., Dearborn Heights. \*B\*  
Contact: Charles Wood, 248-546-1282  
E-mail: jarnick@wowway.com

#### Ohio

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CINPEX 2013 Greater Cincinnati Philatelic Society, Hugh Watson American Legion Hall, 11000 Winton Rd., Greenhills. \*B\*  
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**Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee. \*WSP\***  
Contact: Barb Johnson, 814-933-3803 ext 217  
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**Washington** **August 10**  
Strait Stamp Show Strait Stamp Society,  
Sequim Masonic Lodge, 700 N. 5th Ave.,  
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Contact: Cathie Osborne, 360-683-6373  
E-mail: rickcath@wavecable.com

**Ohio** **August 11**  
**Hudson Stamp Bourse** Lincolnway Stamps,  
Clarion Inn, 6625 Dean Memorial Parkway,  
Hudson. **\*B\***

Contact: David G. Pool, 330-832-5992  
E-mail: lincolnway@sssnet.com

**Ohio** **August 16-18**  
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Society, Embassy Suites Cleveland-Rockside, 5800 Rockside Woods Boulevard, Independence. **\*WSP\***  
**Contact:** Peter Martin  
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**Kansas** **August 17-18**  
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**September 7**  
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Stamp Club, The Moulton Borough Lions  
Club, 139 Old Route 109 off Governor  
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 Greater Houston Stamp Show Houston Philatelic Society, Humble Civic Ctr, 8233 Will Clayton Pkwy, Humble.  
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 Fall SDAG Stamp Show Stamp Dealers Association of Georgia, Mansour Center, 995 Roswell Street, Marietta. \*B\*  
 Contact: Kim Conti, Executive Director, 770-630-7918

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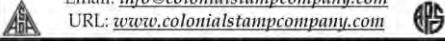
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### March 1-2

### Michigan

**KAZOOPEX 2014 Annual Exhibition, Bourse  
and Cover Show** Kalamazoo Stamp Club,  
Kalamazoo County Fairgrounds and Expo  
Center, 2900 Lake Street, Kalamazoo.

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Contact: Mike Dennany

E-mail: [irishdennany@yahoo.com](mailto:irishdennany@yahoo.com)

### April 4-6

### Pennsylvania

**Philadelphia National Stamp  
Exhibition** Greater Philadelphia Expo  
Center, 100 Station Ave., Oaks. \*WSP\*

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### April 25-27

### California

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### April 26-27

**Plymouth Show** West Suburban Stamp Club,  
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Westland. \*WSP\*

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Contact: Michael Dixon, 503-257-4110  
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**Colorado** **May 16-18**  
**Rocky Mountain Stamp Show (ROMPEX)**  
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Contact: John Bloor, 720-529-5942  
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**ROPEX** Rochester Phil. Assoc., ESL Sports Centre, 2700 Brighton Henrietta Townline Rd., Rochester. \*WSP\*  
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**NOJEX** North Jersey Federated Stamp Clubs, Inc., Crowne Plaza Meadowlands Exhibition Center, 2 Harmon Plaza, Secaucus. \*WSP\*  
Contact: Robert G. Rose, 973-966-8070  
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**Virginia** **June 6-8**  
**NAPEX** National Phil. Exhibitions of Washington D.C., McLean Hilton at Tyson's Corner, 7920 Jones Branch Dr., McLean. \*WSP\*  
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**Ohio** **June 13-15**  
**COLOPEX** Columbus Philatelic Club, DiSalle Center at the Ohio Expo Center, 717 East 17th Ave., Columbus. \*WSP\*  
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**National Topical Stamp Show** American Topical Association, St. Louis Renaissance Airport Hotel, 9801 Natural Bridge Rd., St. Louis. \*WSP\*  
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Abrams, Richard M. (221826) **Los Angeles, CA** US COMMEMORATIVES, 19TH C; 65; DDS  
Adnani, Lachman (221812) **Dubai, United Arab Emirates** FAKES & FORGERIES-US AIR MAILED, COMMEMORATIVES, DUCK/HUNTING/FISHING, IMPERFORATES-INDIA  
Armstrong, Eric J. (221836) **APO, AP US-GERMANY**, FEDERAL REPUBLIC, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC-JAPAN; 54  
Bacher, Burton (221768) **Peoria, AZ** PRE 1946 US CLASSIC FRANCE-ISRAEL; 81; Retired  
Baird, James R. (221793) **Frisco, TX** STATE/FEDERAL DUCK-WORLDWIDE; Retired  
Benson, David (221783) **The Woodlands, TX** US COMMEMORATIVES, AIR MAILED  
Bochenek, Michael P. (221822) **Hoffman Estates, IL** US-POLAND; Retired  
Bransberg, Russell (221757) **Glenmoore, PA**  
Brown, Amanda K. (221781) **Venice, FL** US WORLDWIDE; 36; Housekeeper/Student  
Buehne, Harry (221821) **Glendale, AZ** MONGOLIA; 70; Retired  
Bullock, Donald A. (221776) **Gallatin, TN** US AIR MAILED, BLOCKS/GUIDELINE BLOCKS, CLASSICS, CONFEDERATE STATES, ERRORS/FREAKS/ODDITIES, PLATE BLOCKS; Retired  
Calhoun, Thomas R. (221790) **Spring, TX** PRE 1960 BRITISH COMMONWEALTH; 69; Retired  
Campbell, Brian (221789) **Dallas, TX** US COMMEMORATIVES, SOUVENIR SHEETS, 19TH & 20TH C, AIR MAILED; 45  
Candella, Joseph (221805) **Wallingford, CT** US 19TH & 20TH C, BOOKLETS/PANES, CANCELS, DEFINITIVES, LOCALS & CARRIERS; 40; Jewelry, Gems, Stamps, Coins Buyer  
Carlson, Christine A. (221775) **San Pedro, CA** US COVERS, COMMEMORATIVE PANELS, FDC, PLATE SINGLES-YUGOSLAVIA-POSTAL LABELS; 60

Carson, William H. (221798) **San Clemente, CA** US FDC, 20TH C-AUSTRALIA-GREAT BRITAIN-CANADA  
Carter, Alice L. (221749) **Huntsville, TX** BIRDS-BLACK HERITAGE-BOATS/SHIPS-FLOWERS-PARKS-STATES-TRAINS; Retired  
Chang, Weilin P. (221782) **Rockville, MD** CHINA-CHINESE TREATY PORTS-TAIWAN-UN-OCCUPATION ISSUES-US 20TH C; 66; Retired  
Chapman, Richard (221809) **Huntington, MA** USED US-CANADA; Retired  
Cioffi, Anthony W. (221780) **Erial, NJ** US 19TH & 20TH C, COIL LINE PAIRS, SPACE COVERS, AIR MAILED; 60; Retired  
Coleman, John (221801) **Carl Junction, MO** US CLASSICS  
Courtois, Kathy E. (221838) **Tacoma, WA** US-SWEDEN; 62; Self Employed  
da Cunha Ribeiro, Maria de Lourdes (221828) **Juiz de Fora, Minas Gerais, Brazil** BIRDS-UN-US COMMEMORATIVES; 66  
Daniels, Leo R. (221800) **Marietta, OH** US-FRANCE-CANADA; 81; Retired  
Donze, Larry (221787) **Springfield, MO** CUBA-VIET NAM-US AIR MAILED, COVERS, SPECIAL DELIVERIES-INDOCHINA  
Dowd, Stephen J. (221829) **Adelaide, SA, Australia** PACIFIC MAIL ROUTES-JAPANESE OCCUPATION PACIFIC COUNTRIES; 60; Lawyer  
Eckstein, David H. (221791) **Brooklyn, NY** US PLATE BLOCKS, SINGLES; 67; Retired  
Fort, Colin D. (221769) **Encinitas, CA** BRITISH COLONIES-OTHER COLONIES; 70; Trust Officer  
Fortin, Sandra (221788) **Glendale, AZ** US COMMEMORATIVES; 50  
Francis-Arduh, Carlos (221837) **Burnaby, BC** CANADA, PROVINCES; 63; Voice Teacher/Tenor  
Goloboy, Michael (221752) **Chapel Hill, NC** RUSSIA/USSR/INDEPENDENT REPUBLICS-US COVERS; 71  
Gonzales, Greg A. (221795) **Chicopee, MA** US; 69; Retired  
Goodwin, Nancy Pendleton (221758) **Tucson, AZ**; 91; Retired  
Guze, John (221763) **Sanibel, FL** US, AIR MAILED-GERMANY-RUSSIA/USSR/INDEPENDENT REPUBLICS; 67; Fashion Executive  
Hale, Craig (221820) **Canton, MI** US 19TH & 20TH C, AIR MAILED, FDC, POSTAGE DUES, DEFINITIVES; 52; CPA

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Applications 221496 through 221569, and 221571 through 221578, and 221580 through 221605, and 221607, 221608 as previously published have been accepted for membership by the Board of Vice Presidents.

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Reinstated .....	129
	31,613
Deceased .....	22
Resignations.....	6
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Total Membership, May 31, 2013	31,584

Hartz, David R. (221815) **Niles, MI** US-AIR MAIL LIBERIA; 67; Retired  
Hawkins, Larry A. (221813) **Enon, OH** US-WORLDWIDE; 62; Retired  
Hemphill, Brandon K. (221807) **Allen, TX** US, POSTAL HISTORY, COMMEMORATIVES-CHINA-FOREIGN CLASSICS-WAR COVERS/STAMPS-WORLDWIDE; 20; Student  
Henry, King L. (221756) **Orem, UT** ERRORS  
Hiles, Ronald L. (221832) **Winston Salem, NC** US 20TH C, COILS, BOOKLETS/PANES; 70; Retired  
Hughes, John M. (221831) **Irondequoit, NY** US, 19TH & 20TH C, CIVIL WAR COVERS, POSTAL HISTORY-COINS-CUBA-CHINA-RUSSIA-ISRAEL; 65  
Hughey, Douglas (221754) **Asheville, NC** US PLATE BLOCKS, 19TH & 20TH C, COIL LINE PAIRS, COMMEMORATIVES, ERRORS/FREAKS/ODDITIES; 68  
Huminski, Monica M. (221799) **Spartanburg, SC** US-WORLDWIDE; 88  
Jeney, Jeffrey S. (221833) **Beachwood, OH** BASEBALL-AUTHORS/LITERATURE/LIBRARIES-COMPOSERS-FAMOUS PEOPLE-MUSIC/MUSICIANS/INSTRUMENTS-US PRESIDENTS; 63; Retired

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- Kallio, David O. (221830) **Calais, ME** SCANDINAVIA-GERMANY-VATICAN-US-CANADA-BRITISH & FRENCH COLONIES; 66; Physician
- Kauer, Brian (221835) **Walhalla, SC** US PLATE BLOCKS, SHEETS/SMALL PANES, FDC, 20TH C, AIR MAILED; Engineer/Businessman
- Kearney, Andrew (J-221808) **Chesterton, IN** US 19TH & 20TH C-WORLDWIDE; 18
- Kerr, Stephen (221827) **Stephens City, VA** US AIR MAILS, COVERS, FDC, FLIGHT COVERS, PLATE BLOCKS, REVENUES/TAX PAIDS (FEDERAL)
- King, Raymond C. (221750) **Seminole, FL** PRE 1993 US SINGLES, PLATE BLOCKS; Retired
- Knox, Ken (221818) **Streamwood, IL** US, ERRORS/FREAKS/ODDITIES, COMMEMORATIVES/PANELS, FDC, SE-TENANTS; 69
- Lamb, Chris (221823) **Vancouver, AB** DANZIG-GERMANY, THIRD REICH/OCCUPATIONS, COLONIES, FEDERAL REPUBLIC-STATES
- Lanoue, Vern (221785) **Green Bay, WI** US PLATE BLOCKS, PLATE NUMBER COILS, BOOKLETS/PANES, AIR MAILED, COIL LINE PAIRS, FDC; 72; Retired
- Litts, Phil (221816) **Lodi, CA** MINT US, SINGLES, PLATE BLOCKS, SHEETS; 69; Retired
- Lopez, Jane A. (221839) **Southgate, MI**; 62
- Lovetere, John (221834) **Plano, IL** US 19TH & 20TH C-TAIWAN-SWITZERLAND-AUSTRALIA; 54
- MacKenzie, Brendan (221761) **Fairport, NY** US FLIGHT COVERS, AIR MAILED, FDC, POSTAGE DUES, 19TH C, CONFEDERATE STATES; 34; Shop Owner
- Martin, Caldonia (221770) **Thomaston, GA** WORLDWIDE; 52; Homemaker
- McKee, Karen (221817) **Port Townsend, WA** FLOWERS/PLANTS
- McKenzie, Frank (221819) **Temple, AL** US-WORLDWIDE; 75; Retired
- Miller, James A. (221764) **Hendersonville, NC** US CHRISTMAS SEALS, ADVERTISING COVERS, MATCH & MEDICINE-JAPAN-WORLDWIDE; 48
- Mitchell, Jim M. (221792) **Danville, AR** CANADA-US, COMMEMORATIVES, FDC, PRESIDENTS-DISNEY; 41; Cattle Farmer
- Morgan, Joe H. (221797) **Laurel, MS** US COMMEMORATIVES, COVERS, 19TH & 20TH C; 71; Semi Retired
- Nikolov, Pavel N. (221766) **Chicago, IL** WAR COVERS/STAMPS-BULGARIA-GERMAN-AUSTRIA-BULGARIAN & TURKISH MILITARY MAIL FROM OCCUPIED ROMANIA IN WWI; 43
- Nowak, John (221774) **Blue Rapids, KS** US COMMEMORATIVES; 63
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# West Virginia Statehood

**O**n June 20, in Charleston, West Virginia, the Postal Service issued a West Virginia Statehood (Forever® priced at 46 cents) commemorative First-Class mail stamp in one design in a pressure-sensitive adhesive pane of twenty stamps.

With this stamp, the USPS celebrates 150 years of West Virginia statehood. The photograph on this stamp shows an early morning view looking east from the Highland Scenic Highway (Route 150) in Pocahontas County, West Virginia, within the Monongahela National Forest. West Virginia photographer Roger Spencer took the photo in October 2008.

**Denomination:** First-Class Forever Commemorative

**Format:** Pane of 20 (1 design)

**Series:** N/A

**Designer/Art Director/Typographyher:** Greg Breeding, Charlottesville, VA

**Existing Photo:** Roger Spencer

**Engraver:** WRE

**Modeler:** Avery Dennison, Designed & Engineered Solutions

**Manufacturing Process:** Gravure

**Printer:** Avery Dennison (AVR), Clinton, SC

**Press Type:** Dia Nippon Kiko (DNK)

**Print Quantity:** 30 million stamps

**Paper Type:** Prephosphored, Type II

**Adhesive Type:** Pressure-sensitive

**Colors:** Brown, Yellow, Magenta, Black

**Stamp Orientation:** Vertical

**Sizes (w x h):** 21.34 x 36.07 mm (image); 24.89 x 39.62 mm (overall); 148.59 x 184.15 mm (pane)

**Plate Numbers:** "V" followed by 4 single digits

**Marginal Markings:** *Front:* Plate block numbers in four corners of pane. *Back:* ©2013 USPS; USPS Logo; Plate position diagram; Barcode (470900) in upper right and lower left corners of pane; Promotional text.



## Johnny Cash

On June 5, in Nashville, Tennessee, at the Grand Ole Opry – Ryman Auditorium, the Postal Service issued a Johnny Cash (Forever® priced at 46 cents) commemorative First-Class mail stamp in one design in a pressure-sensitive adhesive pane of sixteen stamps. The \$7.36 Johnny Cash pane of stamps may not be



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The USPS honors music visionary Johnny Cash, best remembered internationally as a country music artist, although his influence can be felt in many genres — from rock and folk to blues and gospel. The stamp, part of the Music Icons series, features a photograph taken by Frank Bez during a photo session for *Ring of Fire: The Best of Johnny Cash* (1963). The square stamp and pane resemble the appearance of a 45 rpm record sleeve. The reverse side of the pane includes a larger version of the photograph featured on the stamp as well as the logo for the Music Icons series.

**Denomination:** First-Class Forever Commemorative

**Format:** Pane of 16 (1 design)

**Series:** Music Icons

**Designer/Art Director/Typographyher:** Greg Breeding, Charlottesville, VA

**Existing Photo:** Frank Bez

**Engraver:** WRE

**Modeler:** Avery Dennison, Designed and Engineered Solutions

**Manufacturing Process:** Gravure

**Printer:** Avery Dennison (AVR), Clinton, SC

**Press Type:** Dia Nippon Kiko (DNK)

**Print Quantity:** 60 million stamps

**Paper Type:** Prephosphored, Type II, Block Tagged

**Adhesive Type:** Pressure-sensitive

**Colors:** Brown, Warm Gray, Gray, Black

**Stamp Orientation:** Square

**Sizes (w x h):** 27.55 x 27.55 mm (image); 31.12 x 31.12 mm (overall); 177.80 x 177.80 mm (pane)

**Plate Numbers:** N/A

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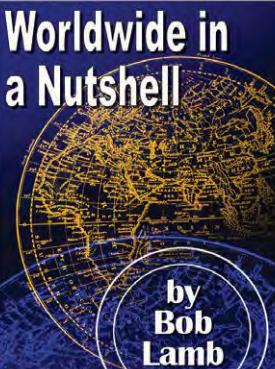
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# St. Kitts



**Status:** Part of the Federation of St. Kitts and Nevis

**Population:** 35,000 (2013 estimate)

**Area:** 65 square miles

**Currency:** 100 cents = 1 Eastern Caribbean Dollar  
(US\$1 = EC\$2.67)

St. Kitts along with Nevis, its smaller neighbor to the south, make up the Federation of St. Kitts and Nevis. The island was occupied by Carib Indians when Columbus arrived in 1493 on his second voyage. Columbus named the island St. James, but Spanish cartographers who were having difficulty coping with the flood of newly-named islands from the New World, mistakenly labeled it St. Christopher, the name which Columbus actually had given to Saba, twenty miles to the north. The British shortened this to St. Kitts.

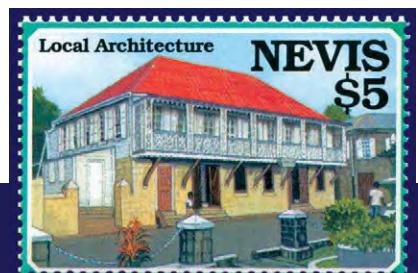
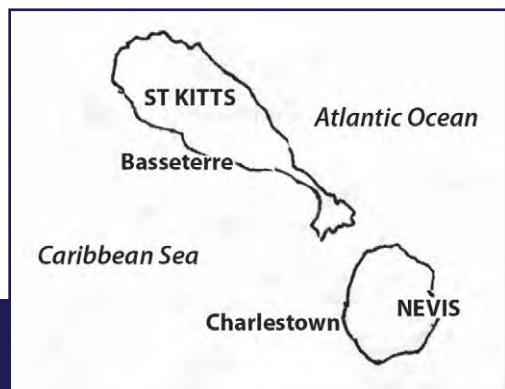
In 1538 French Huguenot refugees landed on St. Kitts, but within months were evicted by the Spanish. The first successful settlement occurred in 1623 when Sir Thomas Warner, a British naval officer, moved what was left of his failed Guiana colony to St. Kitts. This became the first British settlement in the Caribbean. The next year French settlers arrived a little to the south of the British, creating the first French colony in the Caribbean. The French and British massacred the Indian inhabitants and formally partitioned the island. St. Kitts became a base for both nations to expand their West Indian holdings. Initially St. Kitts produced tobacco, but competition from Virginia forced it to turn to sugar cane, which became the mainstay of the island's economy for the next 300 years.

Anglo-French rivalry over control of the island continued until the Treaty of Utrecht of 1713. The British sought to unite their Leeward Island colonies to reduce the cost of administration, despite opposition from the settlers. Finally in 1869, after eighteen months of negotiations, the islands agreed to a weak federal system in which each island maintained its separate finances. Britain did, however, unite St. Kitts, Nevis and Anguilla in 1882 over the opposition of the two smaller islands. The three islands became part of the Leeward Islands Federation.

Prior to 1967 the government was centralized in Basseterre. Anguilla seceded in 1971 and secessionist sentiment remains strong in Nevis. A federated St. Kitts Nevis became fully independent in 1983.

The British GPO has operated in St. Christopher since the early eighteenth century. British stamps were valid on the island from May 1858 until the colonial authorities assumed responsibility for the postal service on April 1, 1860. Circular "paid" handstamps were used on overseas mail until St. Christopher stamps were introduced April 1, 1870. Twenty years later, on October 31, 1890, St. Kitts stamps were replaced with the Leeward Islands general issue. In 1903 stamps inscribed St. Kitts Nevis were issued and used concurrently with those of the Leeward Islands. During this period Leeward Islands stamps were not widely used in St. Kitts.

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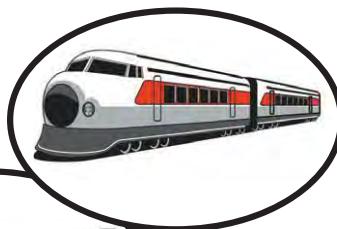
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### Order Form for Sales Books & Mounts

Quantity	Item	Amount
_____	Sales Books for Singles (\$1.50 each, 10 for \$8.50, 50 for \$37.50, 100 for \$60)	\$ _____
_____	Sales Books for Blocks (\$1.50 each, 10 for \$8.50, 50 for \$37.50, 100 for \$60)	\$ _____
_____	8-Page Books for Singles (\$1.25 each, 10 for \$7.50 for \$30, for 100 for \$55)	\$ _____
_____	8-Page Books for Blocks (\$1.25 each, 10 for \$7.50 for \$30, for 100 for \$55)	\$ _____
_____	Sales Books for Covers (\$1.75 each, 10 for \$12.50 for \$55, 100 for \$100)	\$ _____
<b>Stampmounts (500 per Package)</b>		
_____	Size C½ — \$26 per pkg. (for singles and standard commemoratives)	\$ _____
_____	Size C1½ — \$27 per pkg. (for large singles and regular blocks of four)	\$ _____
_____	Size C3½ — \$38 per pkg. (for normal commemorative plateblocks)	\$ _____
<b>Shipping \$2 Priority Mail</b>		\$ _____
<b>Total</b>		\$ _____
PA residents must add 6% sales tax \$ _____		
<b>Total Remittance</b> \$ _____		

### Why Buy from APS Sales Circuits

- A "mini stamp store" arrives at your door.
- The stamps are in *your* hands for close inspection.
- No salesman looking over your shoulder.
- Each mailing provides an evening's entertainment.
- Sales books contain many items not found elsewhere.
- Central contact location for questions and problems.
- Circuits offer members an alternative buying opportunity.

Payment by  Check  Visa  MasterCard

Credit Card \_\_\_\_\_ • \_\_\_\_\_ • \_\_\_\_\_ • \_\_\_\_\_

Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_ • \_\_\_\_\_ V-Code \_\_\_\_\_

APS No. \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_

*Non-U.S. addresses contact us for additional postage amount.*