

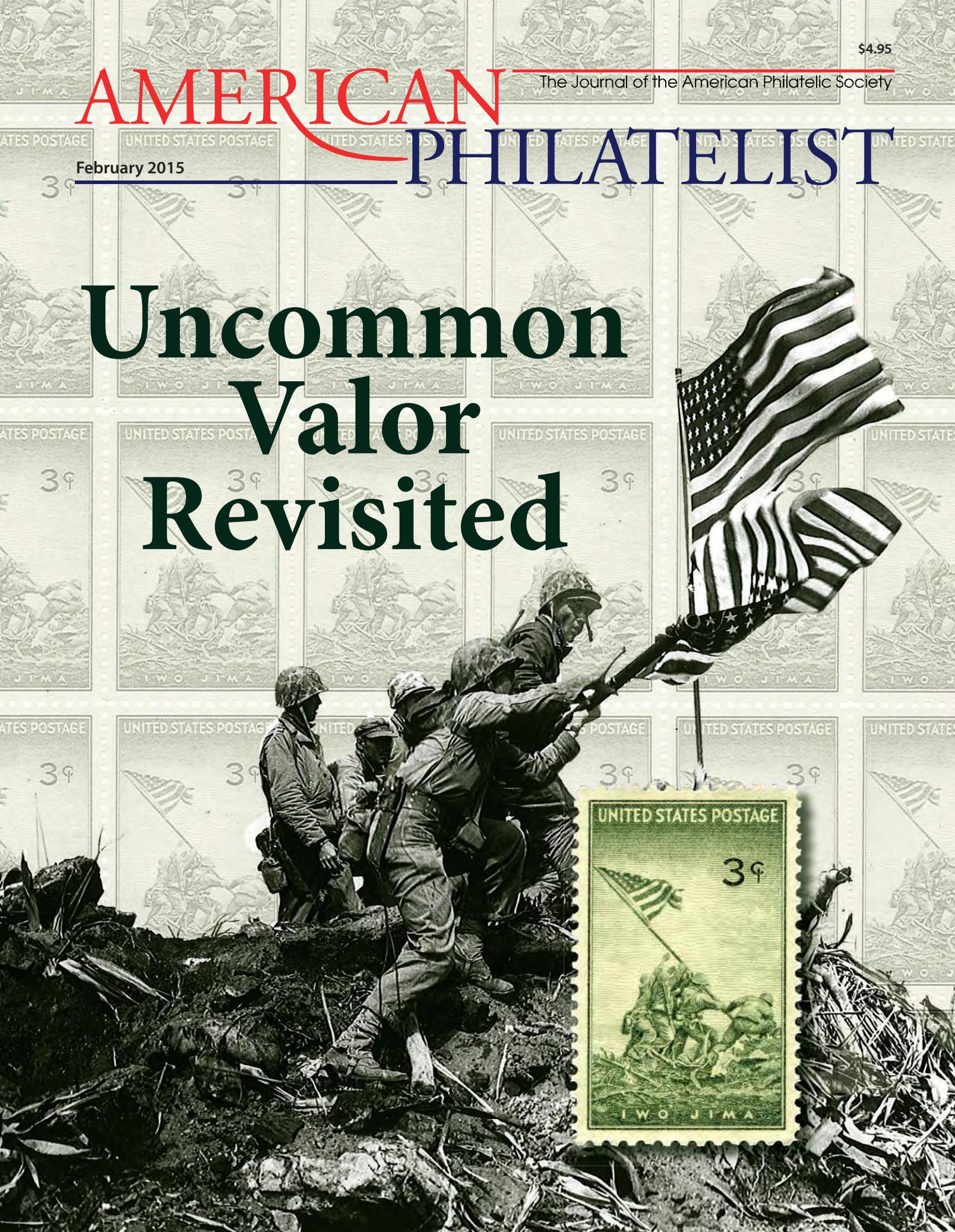
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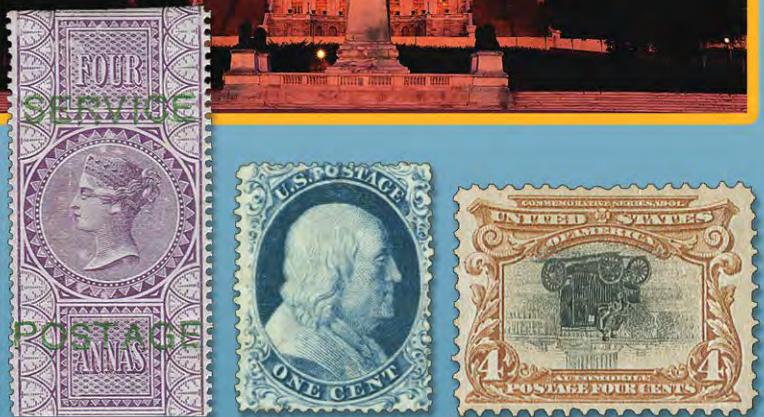
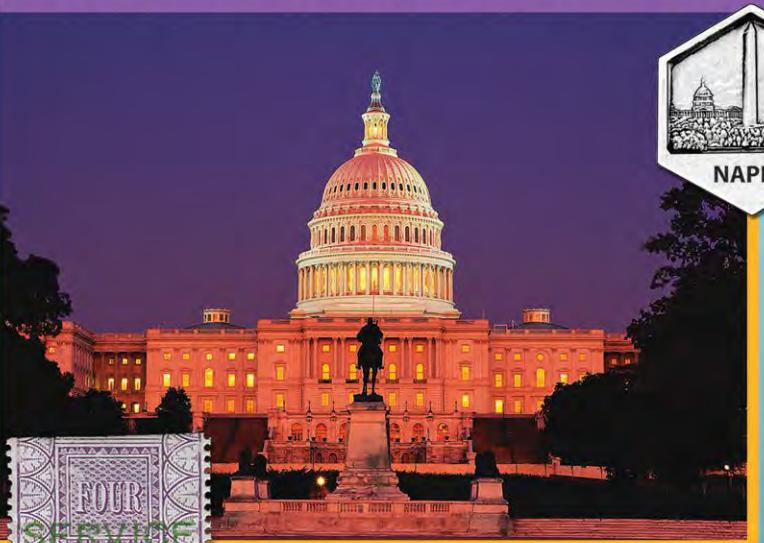
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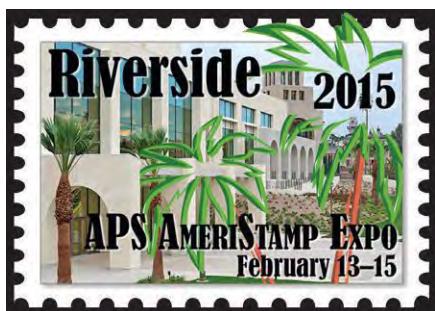
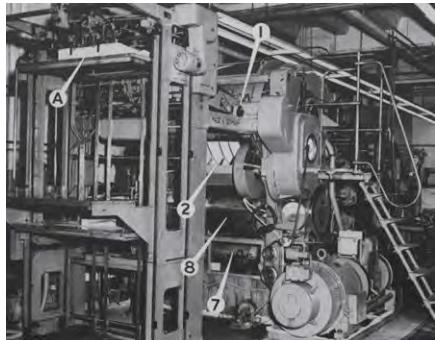
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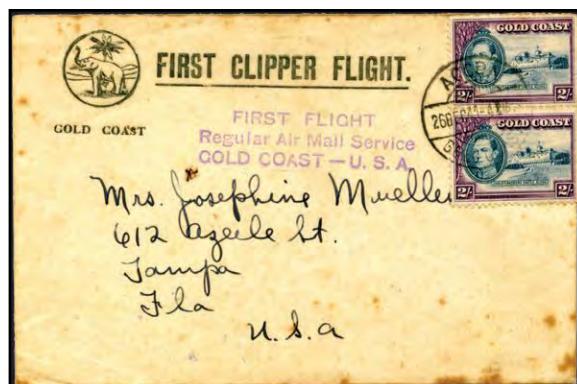
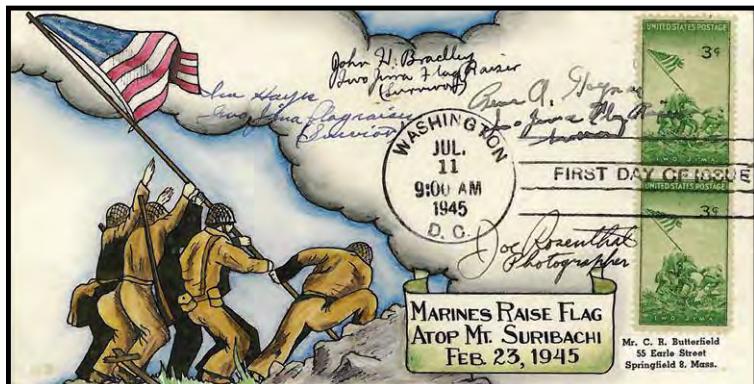
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Stamp Collecting

This month I would like to talk to you about stamp "collecting" not just being a process of mounting stamps in an album, but additionally being an educational tool for you and your family.

I must say that much of my understanding of history, geography, science, sports, the arts, and many other things started with the study of the designs of the stamps in my albums, beginning at the age of eight. My interest in "collecting" stamps was more an interest in the designs. Certainly one doesn't get an in-depth understanding from the designs but they are the starting point on a wonderful learning experience through many different areas. When I obtained new stamps for my album the first thing my family and I did was to do some simple research in an encyclopedia, to begin to get a feeling for what the designs were about. Those that tweaked our interest were then further researched in the local branch of the New York Public Library. In many cases the stamps were the beginning of a wonderful journey.

Today, your Society sponsors a growing program in an ever-increasing number of schools, called Stamps Teach. Stamps are used in schools, in the same way as they were used in my home, as a teaching tool, rather than as a collectible (actually, at home they were used both ways). You can support this program with your duplicate or unwanted stamps. Just contact APS headquarters for further information.

A very interesting geography lesson might be to use stamps to trace the ever-changing borders and country names over a period of time. Many stamps bear country names that no longer exist as such. There is a tremendous amount of history just in the country names one finds on stamps.

For some, this could all lead to becoming a topical collector. How about studying art and artists, as well as collecting stamps having appropriate designs? Or, what about stamps about inventors and inventions, and a study of this important area? What I'm getting at is making stamp collecting more than just "collecting." Make it an important part of your family's educational process. We are working in the schools. You can similarly work at home.

New Year's Resolutions

I am writing this on December 30th. It is time for me to think about "New Year's Resolutions." While you won't read this for another month it is never too late to think about what you might do to improve the life of yourself or others in the coming year. If we all just introduced one person to the hobby or, better still, gifted one person with a membership in



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APS, we would be bringing the joy of stamp collecting to another person. Why not add that to your list of resolutions for 2015? Spread the word of our great hobby.

How I Became a Stamp Collector

by George Land

I must have been age 9 or 10 when my parents received a package with three colorful stamps. They were from the 1943 Overrun Nations set, showing the flag of Luxembourg. Dad said these would be a nice beginning if I ever wanted to start a stamp collection. That evening, Dad found me in the kitchen with a paring knife trying to remove them from the wrapper. He showed me how to soak stamps off paper. It was too late for two of them, but one was rescued. I still have it. It is mounted on the first page of my album, labeled "My First Stamp."

After eating three "Cherry-A-Lett" candy bars, I mailed in the wrappers and received a nice 9"x 6" album. It had spaces for the U.S. Famous Americans complete, AND — would you believe — the British 1930s Silver Jubilee & Coronations complete! I still have the album, but I don't use it anymore. I fit right in because other neighborhood kids were getting into collecting. (Sometimes, I wonder if any of those kids went back to collecting later, as adults?)

Now, I learned how to save money toward future goals. I received an allowance of 25 cents weekly from my parents. A mere pittance I complained, but my Depression-era parents refused an increase. Lawn-mowing jobs were a bigger source, while I dreamed of buying early U.S. sets from M.J. Stern Company. My parents gave me a subscription to Western Stamp Collector, and now I had news and ads offering stamps way below catalogue value. It arrived twice weekly — every Tuesday and Saturday.

Somehow, I saved \$5 and Dad took me downtown to a Long Beach, California stamp dealer, "Doc" Salathe. Now I had a REAL album, Scott's International Junior, bound with a blue cover and red binding! Loose-leaf was too expensive, but time passed and a kid in my 6th-grade class had a brother with a loose-leaf International for sale, only \$2.50. I bought it on time payments and now I was King of the Neighborhood!

But the times and young George were changing. It was 1950. I was 15 years old and ready for high school. I quit my paper route job because it was not cool to ride a bicycle in high school. The British had just issued UPU commemoratives for all their colonies. A complete set cost \$28.85 and I sent a down payment of \$10. I still have the letter from Tribune Stamp Company confirming that a set was on hold for me. But I never completed the payments and never received my set. Now my money went for other things and my interests went toward anyone who wore a skirt. Did I ever regain my good senses? Eventually, but that is another story.

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I would like to thank Barb Boal for the great job she's done as editor of *The American Philatelist*. The magazine is probably the main reason that I am still a member after all these years. I think she has done an excellent job and just want to thank her for the great work she has done over the years.

One cannot read the *AP* without knowing that membership is a major concern to everyone. Perhaps I can give some insight into the mind set of at least a few members like me. I have been a member of APS since 1992. I do not collect stamps: I have a stamp "collection" that I inherited from my father who died in 1986, who inherited it from his father in 1953. My father was not much of a collector, and I think he mined some stamps from my grandfather's collection to pay bills periodically, as there are places in the albums where stamps have been scissored out. I'm sure that there are still some moderately valuable stamps remaining, but other than to sell the remaining stamps, I really have no interest in them.

I'm not interested in perforations, plate blocks, glue condition, or how to remove self-adhesive stamps from envelopes without destroying them. However, I do like *The American Philatelist* magazine, especially the historical and geographical articles. I even read some of the more technical articles, if only out of an interest in history and geography.

I have no idea as to how the APS can encourage new members. I believe that "collectors" are born and not made. I am also a member of the Lions and the Masons, both of which also suffer from declining membership. I wish I knew the answer.

Kirby R. Marchand
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Canada Post Labels

Like Herbert Kucera ("Protecting Stamps," page 1092, December *AP*), I have experienced problems with Canada Post's registered mail stickers. I tried to contact someone at Canada Post about this habit of their employees pasting the registered mail sticker over the stamps. It was like trying to contact a non-existent moon-walker! So I took the matter into my own hands and discovered that if I used a portable hair dryer on the high setting, I was able to peel off the label gradually without damage to the underlying stamps or envelope. But be patient and pull it off quite gradually as the gum needs to be hot to properly soften it. A little gum may remain and, if so, use a little adhesive remover on a tissue to finish the job.

Harvey Robbins
Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario

Donations Comment

I noted with interest the letter by Richard Thompson titled "Earmarking Donations" (December *AP*, page 1093). Mr.



As a longtime stamp and postal history collector as well as former CEO of a non-profit organization, I would like to echo his comment regarding earmarking donations.

Earmarking donations is the right of any donor. When we exercise that right, we should be mindful that we are taking away a measure of flexibility from our leaders to balance the needs of the organization with its resources. We are a membership organization and our leaders are elected by us and entrusted with seeing to the financial stability and relevance of the organization.

Presumably we elect them because we believe they are capable and trustworthy. As such, we should leave it to them as a group to determine how best to balance our needs and resources. If we don't think they are up to the task, then we have the option to remove them come the next election. In the absence of that and given the chaotic nature of fund-raising generally today, I prefer affording them the highest degree of flexibility in managing the organization's resources.

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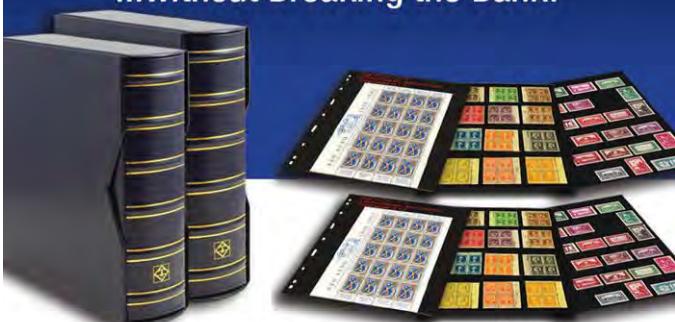
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Bates speaks glowingly of the use of the Stamplift to release mint stamps that have been stuck down. I used to own a Stamplift, but my experience with it was not quite as happy.

I used it to lift some mint U.S. stamps that had become stuck to the paper. I was able to lift the stamps all right, but the resulting condition of the gum could not be described as "mint." The gum on the lifted stamp had a very smooth, shiny appearance, and completely lacked the "ridged" appearance of the mint-fresh U.S. stamps. Then, the sponge in the Stamplift grew a veritable forest of mildew. I discarded it and have not replaced it.

Lyman R. Caswell

Tacoma, Washington

Christmas Wreath Stamp

Your December cover with the Christmas wreath stamp is festive for the holidays. My problem with this forever stamp is that it is not appropriate for much of my foreign mail.

Christmas-themed stamps are fine for many countries in Europe and elsewhere, but I need overseas postage for many countries that I ship to through eBay that are not celebrating Christmas. Christmas has become a secular holiday in many countries, but I don't want to use a Christmas wreath on my outgoing mail to the Middle East, Asia and Africa, where the people are mostly Muslim, Buddhist, Hindu or Jewish.

I very much hope that the USPS is going to issue an international rate stamp soon that will feature a design that can easily be used worldwide, keeping in mind where the stamp is going,

not who is sending it. We had one with a globe, which was fine. Or how about issuing a conservation stamp like the tiger on the environment semi-postal?

A Christmas wreath is fine for use in the U.S., but let's find a better stamp for international use. Besides, Christmas is soon over, and for the next eleven months something else is much more appropriate everywhere.

James Paton

El Cerrito, California

Boy Scout Badge

In Dewey J. Barker's November letter to the editor ("Online Sales & Youth Collecting," page 1012), he refers to the Boy Scout stamp collecting merit badge as being merged into the collections badge. This is not correct; the stamp collecting badge is a separate badge and the collections badge specifically excludes stamp and coin collections from the badge. In the Girl Scout USA program, stamp collecting is included in the collections badge.

I commend Mr. Barker for acknowledging the need for volunteers in schools and youth organizations so that mentors can get youth interested in stamp collecting. Boy Scouts of America has included Stamp Collecting Merit Badge workshops at its National Jamborees and participation has been strong. At the February 2015 ARIPEX show in Mesa, Arizona, I expect 72 scouts to complete the badge at two workshops.

The Boy Scout stamp collecting merit badge requirements can be found at www.sossi.org/badges/bsamb.htm. Badges for other youth groups can be found at www.sossi.org/badges/badges.htm.

Lee F. Shedroff

APS Representative, Scouts on Stamps Society International
Peoria, Arizona

Ties That Bind

Michael Doherty's article in the December AP, "Ties That Bind: Ireland and the Americas" (page 1148),



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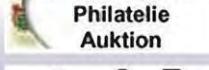
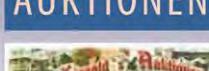
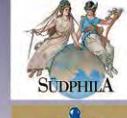
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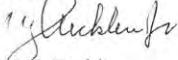
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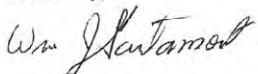
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was welcome and well researched, but I must take issue with one part of that piece. The author emphasizes John McCormack's popular songs, but gives no indication of his real importance as a classical singer. For example, the tenor established a new standard of Mozart with his performances of "Il Mio Tesoro" from *Don Giovanni*, and his accomplishments in German lieder were such that he was included in a series of recordings for the Hugo Wolf Society in 1932. He was also one of the finest Handel stylists of his time. The author rightly directs us to McCormack's performances on YouTube where, among other classical items, the famous "Il Mio Tesoro" may be found.

John Scarry
Ridgewood, New Jersey

Mystic Seaport

I am writing to let you know that I loved the article "Thar She Blows! The Saga of a Whaler's Letter" by G. Adolph Ackerman in the November AP (page 1046).

I have an indirect connection to the article as I interned at Mystic Seaport Museum during the summer of 1997. Mystic Seaport is the home of the *Charles W. Morgan*, the last wooden whaling ship in the world. As I recall, the middle initial of the ship's name was always emphasized.

My experience at Mystic Seaport was great as I did not see or read any news during the entire summer because Mystic Seaport is a world unto itself, or perhaps I was in my own little world that summer. The experience led me to a doctoral program in maritime history.

I also enjoyed realizing that the 1971 8-cent Historic Preservation stamp (Scott 1441) honors the *Charles W. Mor-*

gan

Thanks!

Juan L. Riera
Miami, Florida

APS e-Newsletter

Just wanted to write to say thank you for a really terrific newsletter. In addition to looking forward to receiving *The American Philatelist* each month, I also enjoy the monthly APS newsletter that faithfully arrives in my e-mail box. This month's newsletter was particularly interesting and chock-full of great information. Many thanks to all who make it possible.

Dr. Marion Rollings
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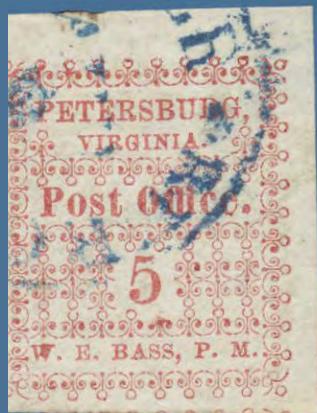
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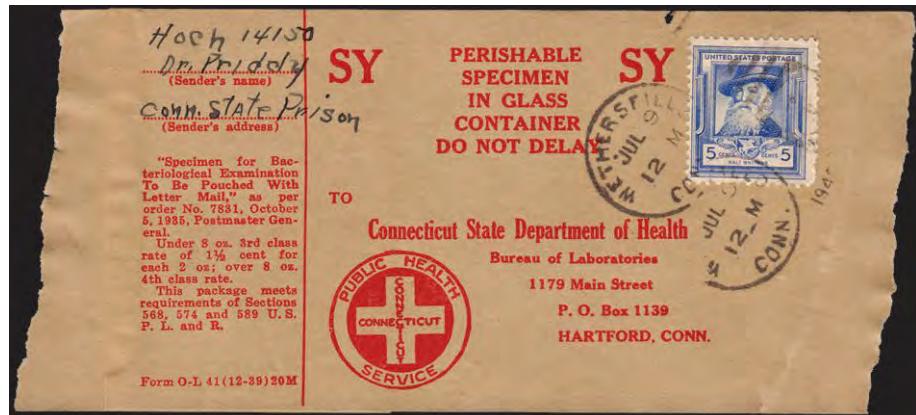


Prison Covers: Variety of Markings & Intents

As a result, in part, of my correspondence with inmates, as well as the large volume of mail to which I had access for a number of years, I became interested in prison mail. In last month's column, I explored some of the souvenirs and collectibles created by incarcerated stamp collectors — both for their amusement and for that of others. This month, let's examine the slightly larger universe of prison covers; that is, mail that either originated from or is addressed to various penal facilities across the United States, and a sampling of the variety of prison-related markings. Each has different intents and meanings.

These markings can (and do) originate from city jails, county jails, state and federal prisons, and even military penal institutions. Because there are so many different types and varieties, and because I can only share a few with you, a number of the images are cropped from full covers to show the markings to their greatest advantage.

Until the late 1980s or so, much mail



The 5¢ Walt Whitman stamp on this 1940 label overpays the third-class triple-rate fee by $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢. It is from a medical sample bottle mailed from the Wethersford, Connecticut State Prison.

that originated from jails and prisons was essentially indistinguishable from most other mail without doing some research. There are standouts, such as the 1940 medical sample label marked from the Wethersford, Connecticut State Prison. That label, franked with a 5-cent Walt Whitman Famous American issue, overpays (by $\frac{1}{2}$ cent) the 4½-cent triple-rate 3rd-class postage for a bacteriolog-

ical sample, but is far more notable for its use than its point of origin. Or, another example, the 1901 cover that features the endorsement "County Jail" beneath the gold embossing of a Pan-American Exposition medal. Again, it's far more exciting as an advertising cover than as prison mail. Both items almost secondarily state the point of origin.

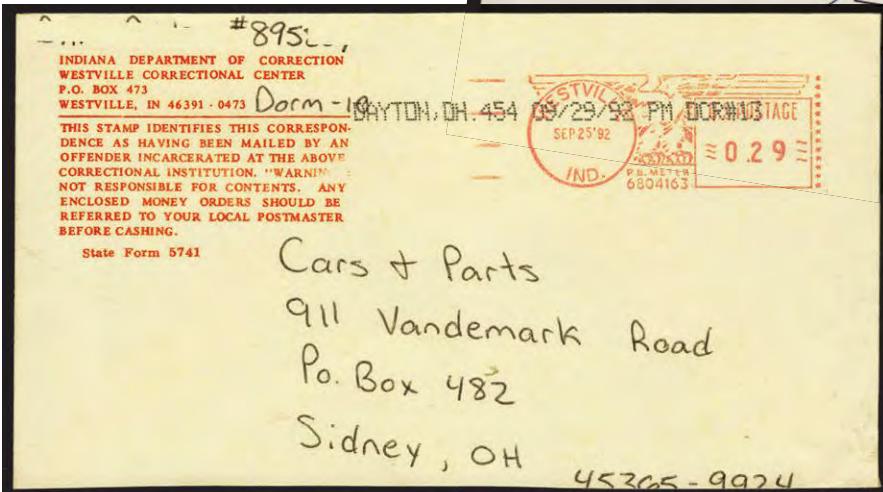
Similarly, the 1958 cover illustrated is not immediately identifiable as being from a federal facility unless one knows some of the characteristics of prison mail. By itself it is not terribly exciting, but nonetheless it is difficult to acquire.

When I first began working with publications during the 1980s, we kept a book that identified most prisons and jails by post office box number, city and state. If an odd-looking cover or box number was noted, we could look it up. It was important to know when we were receiving mail from incarcerated citizens, so we could properly handle subscriptions and assess risk against potential lost revenue. We apparently weren't alone and things began to change by the early 1990s, when penal institutions began to identify all outgoing mail in one



At first glance this cover appears to be nothing more than an attractive gold-embossed advertising cover related to the 1901 Pan-American Exhibition. It was, as noted, sent from the "County Jail."

Unless one knows what to look for,
this 1958 cover is not immediately
identifiable as a prison cover.



There is no mistaking the fact this bright yellow cover with red printing originated at a penal institution. This was an intentional effort made during the late 1980s and early 1990s.

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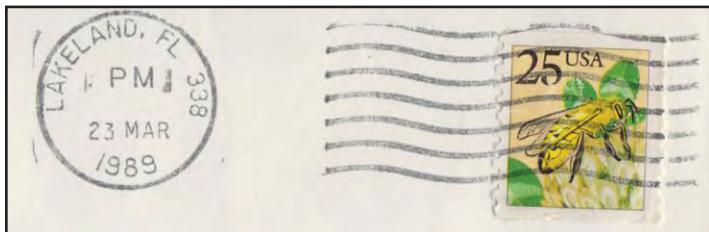
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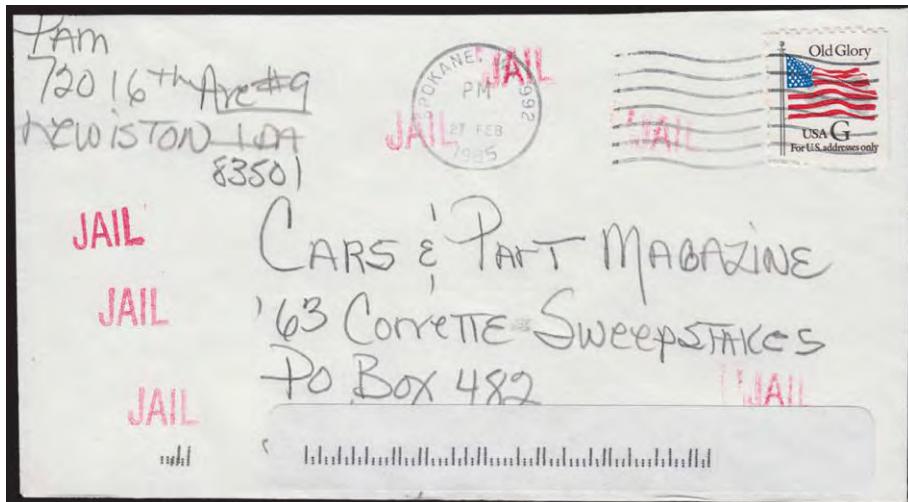
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This cropped marking indicates that the inmate mailing it had a certain number of "free" letters he could send.



The inmate-applied postage on this item had its cancel chemically removed and was illegally reused.



As a means of identification, this cover has had the word "JAIL" stamped on it multiple times.

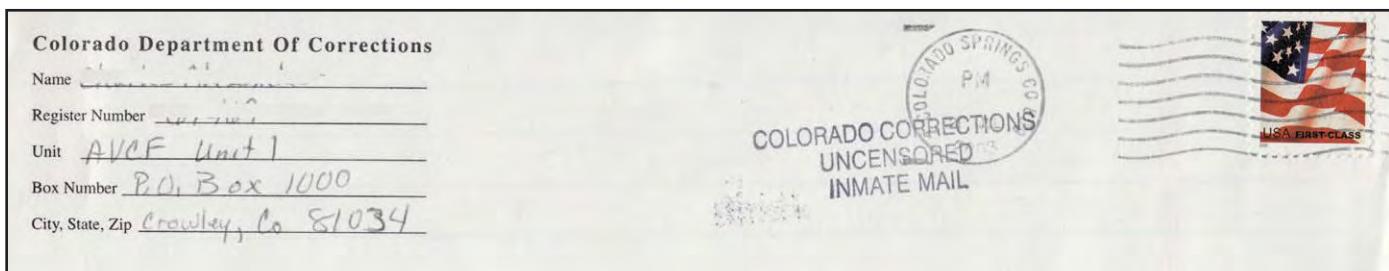


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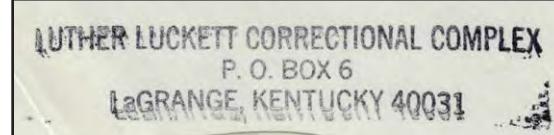
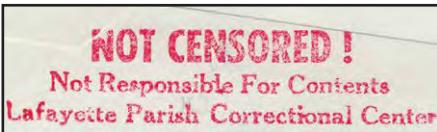
way or another, leading to a host of new and different markings. This was done for several reasons, including expediting mail to inmate attorneys, and to warn recipients that mail from prisons may include either offensive or potentially fraudulent materials.

The cover received in 1992 leaves no question about its origin. If the bright yellow envelope doesn't attract enough attention, the block of red type identifying the piece as originating at the Indiana Department of Corrections (Westville Correction Center) does. This is followed by a standard disclaimer that the prison is not responsible for the contents (or, unstated, debts incurred by inmates). More about these disclaimers later.

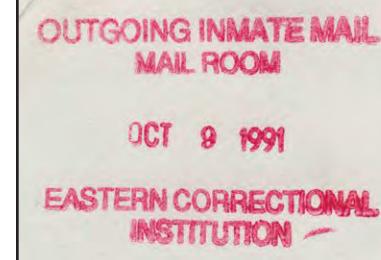
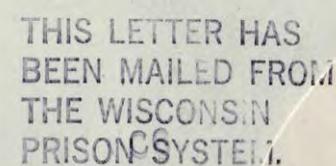
Different prisons have differing regulations regarding inmate mail. Some allow inmates a certain number of items of outgoing mail per month to be sent free. The marking from a metered cover would appear to be one of these. Others charge postage to an inmate's account for every piece sent. The postage on these may be either metered or stamped. Some allow (or require) inmates to apply their own postage, which is where some abuses of the privilege begin. The stamp on a prison cover from Florida has had its original cancellation removed and has been illegally reused. It is specifically



This example from Colorado has both a preprinted area for inmate name and other information, as well as a rubber-stamped marking identifying the prison and noting that it has not been censored.

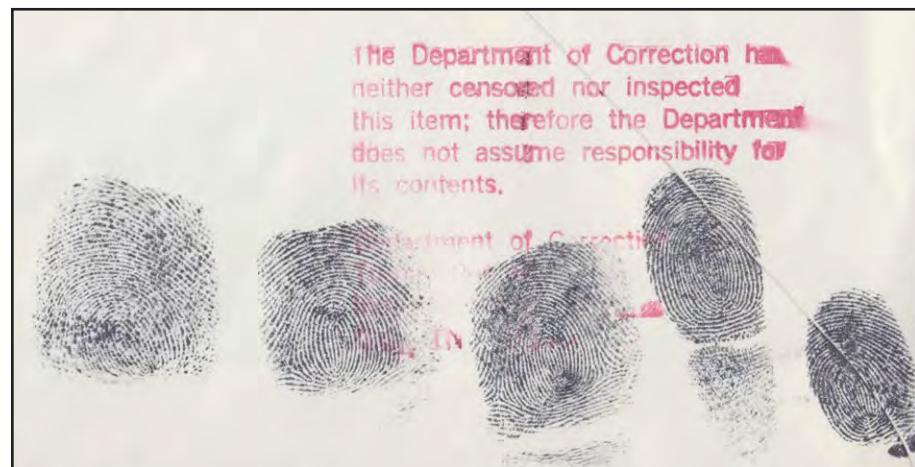


Representative examples of different types of markings applied to covers to identify them as having originated at penal institutions.



because of this practice, and a resulting Postal Inspection Service investigation, that the U.S. stamp mixture business was effectively shut down by the late 1990s. Inmates were buying mixtures, chemically washing cancels and selling the fraudulent stamps, but that's the subject of another story.

Other covers show basic identification, ranging from the multiply hand-stamped "JAIL" marking from Lewiston, Idaho, to a large, black "THIS IS A PRISON" marking from Baltimore (also marked "NF" in the postage area to designate "no funds"). A formally printed cornercard from Colorado has spaces for full inmate information, as well as a hand-stamped three-line "Colorado Corrections Uncensored Inmate Mail" marking. Some prisons (or sections of prisons) require the censoring of mail, likely a direct correlation to inmate se-



From Only, Tennessee, the reverse side of this cover not only carries a disclaimer regarding its contents, but apparently required the inmate to apply his fingerprints as well.

curity level. The vast majority of prison mail, in my experience, however, is non-censored.

As mentioned earlier, many institutions of incarceration add disclaimers to

their covers, usually on the reverse, not only to identify that it is prison mail, but also to absolve themselves of responsibility for the contents. My favorite of these is from Only, Tennessee and apparently



This marking specifically requests recipients to contact authorities regarding enclosed money orders before attempting to cash them.

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A sampling of a few of the many different penal institution disclaimer markings, usually found on the reverse side of prison mail. More samples are available as bonus content on www.stamps.org/AP-Album.

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Some prisons use non-denominated meter imprints not only to cancel the stamp, but also to identify and verify mail originating from a penal institution.

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One of the few pictorial meters the author has seen on prison mail; this one pictures the Folsom State Prison of California.



Prisons use meters to convey other information as well. These meters let readers know that Nebraska prison postage is paid for by tax dollars, and the Angola marking promotes the annual Angola Prison Rodeo.

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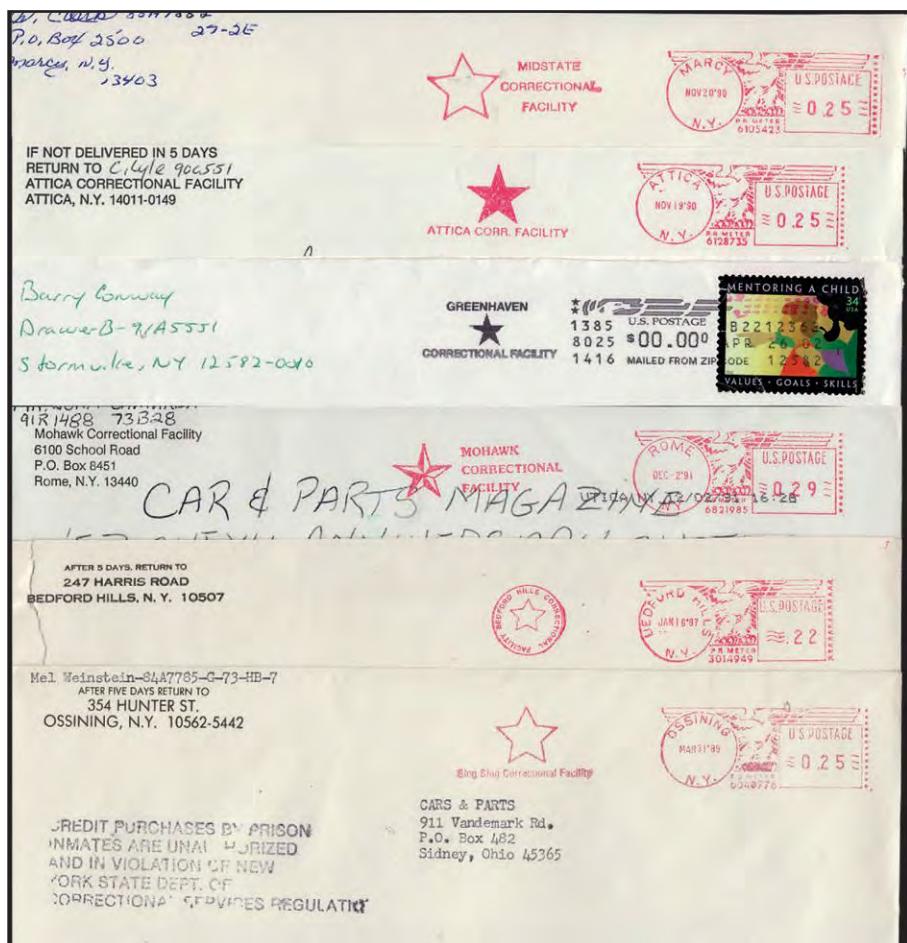
required the inmate's fingerprints as well! Contents covered under these disclaimers include (but are not limited to) false information and fraudulent representation, substances, offensive material or requests for materials not allowed by correctional institutions. In some cases, the markings specifically instruct recipients to have money orders examined by authorities prior to cashing — a nod to some of the counterfeiting that has occurred inside prisons in the past.

Among the more visually appealing prison markings are some of the postage meters. In the case of correctional institutions, meters serve alternately and collectively to identify prison mail, pay postage, and even to cancel stamps applied by inmates. One of the few pictorials I've seen depicts Folsom State Prison in its die and is used both as a postage meter when applied to the front, and as an identifier/validator when applied as a non-denominated imprint to the reverse.

A number of New York prisons seem to use a star as part of their identities. I suspect this is the "Star of Hope," which is known in modern times as a prison ministries organization, but also was a prison publication in Sing-Sing one hundred years ago. Examples of this type of meter can be found with different types of stars.

There are two other meters I'd like to share. One lets us know the postage used to mail the item was paid for by public funds of the state of Nebraska (tax dollars). The other promotes the Angola Prison (Louisiana) Rodeo, the longest-running prison rodeo in the United States. The event, now held one weekend in April and every Sunday in October (as the meter states), began in 1964. It also features concession stands with food prepared from inmate family recipes, as well as a craft fair, where inmates sell hand-made goods. The proceeds fund religious educational programs for inmates.

Auxiliary markings from penal institutions are also quite interesting to study, although they are less common than outgoing covers. In some cases it's difficult to tell whether a marking is a



Examples of meters from different New York prisons, each with a different form of the "Star of Hope" in the pictorial die area.

private auxiliary marking created by the prison itself or whether it's a U.S. Postal Service marking. For example, the 1973 cover with a large black rubber-stamped marking over the address that reads "RELEASED RETURN TO SENDER." This is almost certainly a marking ap-

plied at the Trenton facility to which it was addressed.

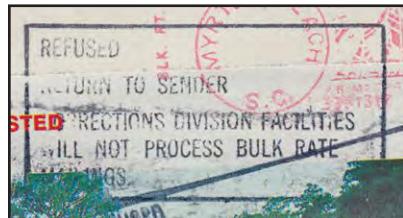
Others feature hybrid markings; that is, a standard USPS "Pointing Finger," along with reasons for return. These can include improper or missing booking number, unauthorized correspondence,



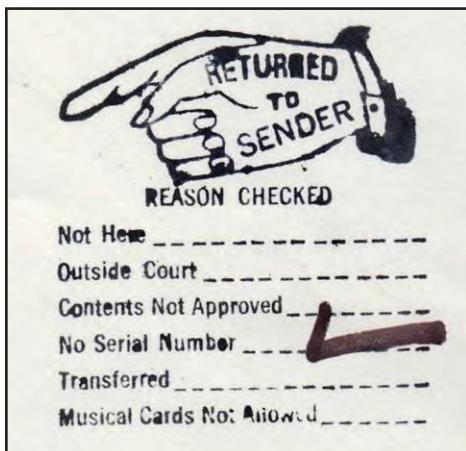
This example of a prison auxiliary marking identifies the reason for return: "RELEASED."



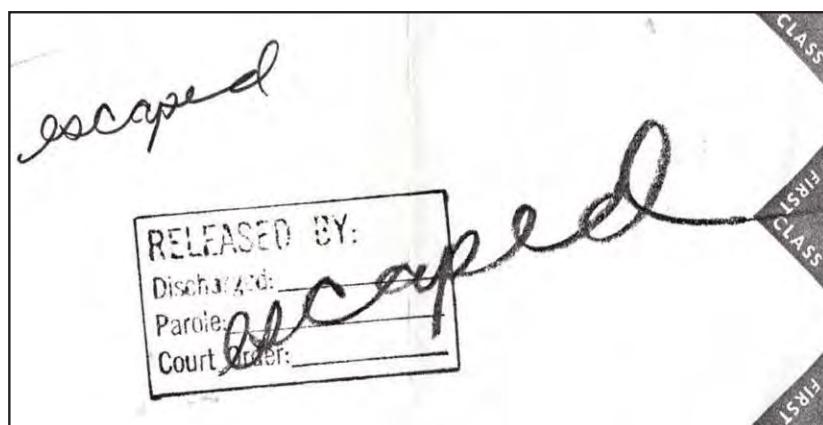
Many prison auxiliary markings are a form of hybrid; that is, a standard USPS "Return to Sender" pointing finger, along with a privately applied reason for return.



Examples of indisputable USPS auxiliary markings created specifically for post offices are uncommon.



This USPS device amused the author, as one of the reasons for return is because that prison does not allow musical greeting cards.



Perhaps the most alarming reason for return the author has seen on a returned prison cover: "ESCAPED."

unauthorized contents, out to court, or many other reasons. These secondary markings are likely private in nature and are condoned by the USPS.

The rarest category of prison auxiliary markings (or least-frequently encountered by me) are those demonstrable USPS devices that have specific prison information included. Examples of a few of these are shown, specifying "Paroled," "Out to Court," "Moved, Left no Address," and "Corrections Facilities

Will Not Process Bulk Mail." My personal favorite of this category, however, is the marking from Lebanon, Ohio. Although the reason for return is marked as "No Serial Number," one of the choices on the USPS marking is "Musical Cards Not Allowed."

Probably the most startling example of a prison auxiliary marking I've seen is a large first-class envelope mailed from a magazine to an inmate in a Michigan facility. The private "Released By:" mark-

ing has been modified in handwriting to read "escaped." Fortunately, this is not an occurrence that happens frequently enough to warrant its own device!

If you do not already have a few prison covers in your collection, you may wish to seek out at least a couple of examples that represent your collecting or exhibiting specialty. They can certainly add a new dimension to most any collection, as well as serve as a conversation starter.



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An Overview of Philately in the 1950s

by Charles M. Posner

During the 1950s there were three major changes in the development and production of American postage stamps that are of special interest to philatelists. The first was the introduction of new presses that allowed expanded use of color and greater speed of printing. The second was a move to improve the design of the stamps. The third was the introduction of what came to be called "dry" printing. These changes, however, occurred against the background of events that require some attention before moving on to discuss them in more detail.

For the United States, the halcyon days of the 1950s were marked by a vibrancy and enthusiasm that accompanied an economic boom, a baby boom, and a philatelic boom as well. These helped obviate the horrors of the previous two decades of deprivation and war. The United States assumed the dual mission of post-war economic reconstruction and took on what it regarded as the responsibilities of a guardian of democracy fighting against the ungodly proponents of economic slavery: Communists.

There was an all-pervasive sense that dreams could become reality. At the same time, the practice of racial inequality continued in both the north and the south, despite the 1954 Supreme Court ruling to desegregate schools and movements like the Alabama bus boycotts. These inequities only fitfully disturbed the national consensus, as during the 1958 Brussels World Fair where a battle took place over whether such negative

aspects of American life should be part of the American pavilion presentation.

Philately during the 1950s

There was a boom in philatelic publishing in the 1940s and 50s, and the stamp collecting columns of writers like Franklin Bruns, Ernest Kehr, and David

Lidman were syndicated in newspapers across the country. People crowded the expanding number of retail stores dedicated to the hobby. In New York City, Gimbel's, Macys, and Nassau Street thrived; the sale of first-day covers took off at a dizzying rate; and the collection of plate blocks became almost a mania. Even corner drugstores had a stamp counter, and new issues were

received with unbounded interest. The American Philatelic Society, under the drive of its president, Donald Lybarger, had become the premier representative of the hobby, establishing a national headquarters in 1945 and expanding from a relatively small coterie into a massive organization that welcomed all types and conditions of collectors.

The themes of philately matched America's new role. The Liberty Issue, a new definitive series dedicated to icons of American history, was launched in 1954. The Champions of Freedom Issue, begun in 1957, honored international figures in the struggle for liberty and freedom in consonance with the American way of life.

The postmaster general who was in

office during most of the decade (1953–61), Arthur Summerfield, was a successful businessman in civilian life and the owner of one of the largest General Motors car dealerships in the Midwest. Not surprisingly, he made no bones about his belief that U.S. stamps should be used to propagandize the American way of life as a counter to Communist ideology and insurgency. He was joined in this belief by the new president, Dwight Eisenhower. Summerfield would play a crucial role in streamlining the selection, design, and production of U.S. postage stamps.

Purely in terms of major philatelic themes of the 1950s, the most important event was the issuing of the 1954 definitive series, intended to replace the 1938 presidential series and carefully honed to celebrate American icons and values. The first issue to be released was the workhorse Statue of Liberty stamp, after which the series was named.

The sesquicentennial anniversary of the national capital, Washington, D.C., was honored by four stamps in 1950.

And, partly in response to Rachel Carson's pioneering ecological work, the first Wildlife Conservation Issue was released in 1956.

The Champions of Liberty series was conceived as an adjunct to the People to People Program launched by President Eisenhower in September 1956. One of his suggestions was that Americans mail out stamps abroad



Liberty series, George Washington, Scott 1031.

to make friends for their country. The Champions of Liberty series began in 1957 with a stamp honoring Philippines President Ramon Magsaysay and ended in 1961 with a stamp commemorating the achievements of India's Mahatma

Gandhi.

Of special note is the first joint issue in which the United States participated, which was released in 1959 in conjunction with Canada to celebrate the opening of the Saint Lawrence Seaway. The common design was a product of the American designer-members of the Citizens Stamp Advisory Committee (CSAC) and the Canadian designer Gerald Trottier.

Prior to the 1952 elections, many congressmen and senators submitted requests for stamps to honor local heroes, symbols and events, with the obvious intention of ingratiating themselves with constituents and groups whose political support they sought. Stamps were proposed to commemorate the 125th anniversary of Fort Leavenworth, the 50th anniversary of Henry Ford's innovative production of motor cars, the 300th anniversary of the publication of Izaak Walton's *Compleat Angler*, the first uniformed civilian police department (although the reputed date of its inception was dubious), the anniversary of the first trial run of a railway locomotive in the western hemisphere, the third national Boy Scout Jamboree, Babe Ruth (1895–1948), and the birth of Colonel David "Micky" Marcus (1901–1948) who was killed while assisting the Israeli army. The birth of Elizabeth Blackwell (1821–1910), the first woman to receive an American medical degree, was also proposed, although the date of her birth did not meet the criteria set by the postal authorities.

Ultimately, the Eisenhower administration, through PMG Summerfield, made it crystal clear that Congress must cease to be so directly involved in recommending which stamps and designs should be selected to commemorate people and events. Congress reluctantly transferred this authority to the Postmaster General in 1955.

What gave Summerfield a good ex-

cuse to rein in the cacophony of congressional intervention was the fact that the Fine Arts Commission, which supervised commemorative coinage, indicated that it wished to be involved in the design of postage stamps. Two years later, in conjunction with the National Academy of Design and the Post Office Department, an agreement was reached to set up a committee to advise on stamps. No formal meeting was ever held and the artists involved were consulted just once, and then only briefly. However, this led to an important and long-lasting reform that came to fruition two years later when Arthur Summerfield moved

to install the first Citizen Stamps Advisory Committee (CSAC).

Reorganization of POD & BEP

In philatelic terms the number and variety of stamps produced during the 1950s were not the most important events of the decade. What hallmarked the 1950s were major administrative innovations

in both the Post Office Department (POD) and the Bureau of Engraving and Printing (BEP) that paved the way for a new approach to stamp design and printing.

In 1953 the POD was subject to a major re-organization. The Philatelic Agency, which supplied stamps to collectors, now became part of a new Division of Philately headed by Robert Fellers, who had been associated with the post office since 1934.

The year 1954 was marked by the retirement of the long-serving director of the BEP Alvin Hall, probably best remembered as having his two children appear on a 1932 stamp celebrating Arbor Day. He was succeeded by the dynamic and hands-on Henry Holtzclaw, who was to remain as a much-respected director until 1967. Holtzclaw had entered the Bureau in 1917 as a skilled helper, where he caught the eye of Benjamin Stickney, the inventor of the Stick-



Champions of Liberty series,
Ramon Magsaysay, Scott
1096.



St. Lawrence Seaway, Scott 1131.

ney rotary press. Holtzclaw went on to develop the electric-eye perforator, oversaw the construction of the Bureau's Annex Building, became head of research and development, and assistant director of the BEP in 1949. The most important technological innovations leading to the development of faster, more efficient, and more versatile printing presses were the result of Holtzclaw's efforts. The establishment of new work procedures led to the establishment of a specialized stamp division and a reduction in the number of shop floor employees (mostly women).

Finally, in 1958 the cost of sending a letter was increased from 3 cents to 4 cents, the last increase having occurred in 1932.

Founding of CSAC

The other significant change of importance to philatelists, as previously mentioned, was that in 1955 Congress finally gave up its residual role of arbiter of what stamps would be printed and turned its authority over to the postmaster general. Two years later, adopting many of the ideas put forward in 1941 by Paul Frederick Berdanier and his Committee of Volunteer Artists, Summerfield set up the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee (CSAC). This was done both as a response to the harsh critiques about the poor designs of U.S. postage stamps and to provide the PMG with advice as to the selection and design of future stamps.

Its original members consisted of leading philatelists and designers; the list reads something like a Who's Who of philately and the world of design. These practitioners were complemented by relevant government officials, serving ex-officio, who were in charge of the techni-

cal production and publicizing the new issues. The founding members were:

Franklin Bruns, curator of the Division of Philately of the Smithsonian Institute and stalwart of the American Philatelic Congress, who served as the first chair.

William H. Buckley, president of the Art Directors Club and a partner in Benton and Bowles design agency.

Arnold J. Copeland, president of Westport Artists and formerly an industrial designer for Buick motor cars, designer of the Mickey Mouse telephone and of World War II camouflage. He would design twenty-seven postage stamps.

Ervine Metzl, the outspoken and irrepressible president of the Society of Illustrators and designer of many postage stamps including the Champions of Liberty Series.

Sol Glass, president of the Bureau Issue Association.

Harry Lindquist, an innovative philatelic publisher and chair of the national federation of stamp clubs.

Abbott Washburn, deputy director of the United States Information Agency.

The first meeting took place on April 30, 1957 with PMG Summerfield in the chair. The discussions and debates were far-ranging. From the outset Ervine Metzl challenged the status quo of the designs, design procedures, and technology employed in the production of postage stamps. He argued that recess (intaglio) engraving was a technique of the past and pushed for the use of more color. Taking Matisse as his model, he praised the idea of using few colors but in vast swathes, and called for the creation of bolder designs to replace the traditional miniaturization of subjects in the designs produced by the BEP. Metzl also allied himself with L. Walter Rohe (the POD special assistant for public relations during Summerfield's tenure as PMG) to promote the idea of propagandizing the United States through such series as the Champions of Liberty.

The launching of what was really a revolutionary manifesto by the illustrators led by Metzl, Buckley, and Copeland, combined with significant technological

advances that for the first time made these artists' demand for more vibrant colors and the jettisoning of the old system of design possible, led to remarkable changes from the middle of the 1950s.

The design team at the BEP was still led by Charles Chickering, the longer serving and innovative Victor McCloskey, and William Schrage, backed up by Robert Miller. Until the advent of the CSAC the job of the team was to translate ideas and concepts given to the BEP into designs. There was little room for originality, and the final product was often what the new generation of artists considered to be bland and boring. Once Metzl, Copeland, and Buckley constituted the core of the CSAC they were able to put their own ideas into effect. One of the results was the sidelining of the old BEP team. They almost ceased to produce designs and became what were known as "modelers" — that is, those who translated the original work of a designer into the time-honored format of a postage stamp.

By the end of the 1950s artists like Bradbury Thompson and Stevan Dohanos, who were to dominate stamp design in the following decades, were recruited to the craft. Their work was made possible by the most important technological developments in the printing of stamps since the development the Stickney rotary presses in 1914.

Production Innovations

By 1948 it had become clear that the twenty-nine Stickney rotary presses needed to be replaced. They had been dedicated to printing the bulk of commemorative and definitive stamps since 1914 and were overdue to be replaced by a press that produced stamps more quickly and at a lower cost. Another priority was the introduction of machinery that would significantly reduce the number of workers required to operate the old Stickney presses. There also was a push for the development of a press that would give designers and engravers greater scope to produce higher quality stamps and introduce new and more exciting designs and colors.

A team of BEP engineers under the

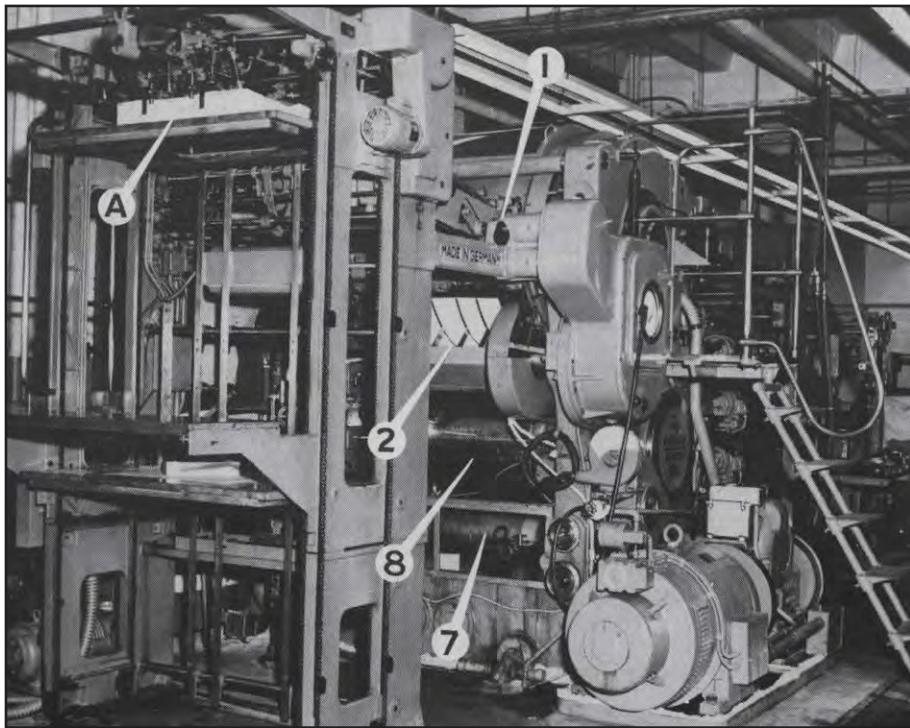
aegis of Henry Holtzclaw set to work to develop a new intaglio web-fed rotary press, and subsequently sent out specifications for its manufacture. The Huck Company was engaged to deliver a prototype press in 1950 and, after experimentation, the BEP was able to produce the first bi-colored U.S. stamp (the 1952 International Red Cross Issue, Scott 1016) to be printed on a continuous web of paper.

The new press was three times faster than the older Stickney presses; however, the Huck prototype had an unacceptable rate of spoilage, so the true successor to the Stickney Press was its modification, the Cottrell intaglio press (called Presses 801-805 by the BEP). By the end of 1956 ten of the original Stickney presses had been scrapped and the BEP set out to increase its number of Cottrell presses to eight, enough to do the work of all twenty-nine of the original Stickney presses.

Progressively from 1955 the Cottrells — which allowed the BEP to improve amongst other things the crispness of images by moving from "wet" to "dry printing" — became the workhorses for the production of commemorative stamps of one color. The first commemorative stamp so produced was the 1956 Wheatland Issue (Scott 1081), which featured President James Buchanan's home in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. By 1981 the Cottrells accounted for 60 percent of all the BEP's production of postage stamps. The last Cottrell press was decommissioned in 1985.

The Huck-Cottrell presses were not without their own flaws. On the positive side, they used whiter, thicker paper than Stickney presses and applied gum with a smooth as opposed to a grooved roller. However, while the new Cottrell presses could produce high relief prints from the deep recessed images of line-engraved plates, they also tended to leave the paper tinted in the ink's shade due to their less than perfect paper wiping system. There also were frequent printed gripper cracks caused by the stress of the plate fasteners on the fatigued metal of the curved steel plates.

The Stickneys remained in use for the production of some pre-cancelled stamps that the Cottrells could not print,



The Giori press at the Bureau of Printing and Engraving offered three-color printing from a single cylinder. The sequence of operations is: the clean plate (9) receives ink in the appropriate positions from each of the three inking rollers in turn (4, 5, and 6); the fully inked plate comes into contact with the wiping cylinder (7), which removes all the surplus different colored inks from the non-printing areas, and leaves the inks in the recesses; the sheet of paper has been led by the paper feed (1) around the impression cylinder (2) and is pressed into contact with the inked and wiped plate on the plate cylinder (3). In the picture above (A) is the pile of sheets of gummed, unprinted paper. The numbers (1, 2, 7, and 8) correspond with those in the diagram to the right. Beyond the steps in the picture are the ink fountains and the delivery pile for the printed sheets. (*Fundamentals of Philately* by L.N. Williams, 1990 revised edition.)

and two remained in operation until the Cottrell presses, supplemented by a letterpress overprinting station, began to print pre-cancels. The first Huck-Cottrell pre-cancelled sheet stamps were shipped in 1957. Equipped with mechanized coiling equipment from 1959 the Cottrells took over the last remaining work of the Stickney presses and began printing pre-cancelled coils. The last of the Stickney presses was decommissioned on March 15, 1962.

Giori Press

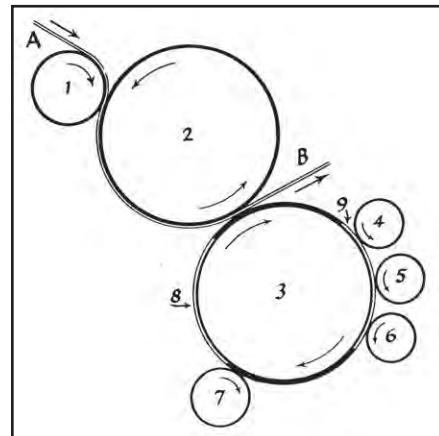
The failure of the Huck-Cottrell presses to simultaneously print stamps in two colors and the BEP's continued refusal to consider gravure printing (then used in many other countries and championed by the artist members of the CSAC), meant that the BEP was on the lookout for an intaglio press that could handle the task of multicolored printing. A 1954 study was undertaken of

three presses that had the capability of producing multicolor stamps. In the end the authorities selected the Organization Giori sheet-fed, multicolor intaglio rotary press, largely because it could print up to three colors at one time from a single plate using a process of selective inking. The drawback was that the colors had to be separated by a big enough space to avoid one color bleeding into another during the wiping process — unless, of course, the bleeding was an integral part of the design.

Another advantage of the Giori press was that it allowed the Bureau to avoid the problems that arose from the use of "one-way" perforating machines. The new process of perforation obviated the need of handling sheets of stamps between perforating horizontally and vertically by permitting a continuous movement between one section of a rotary perforator and another. Because the bands were set at right angles it was



The first United States stamp printed from the Giori press, Scott 1094.



A → B is the path the paper travels.
1. Paper feed; 2. Impression cylinder;
3. Plate cylinder; 4. Ink roller I; 5. Ink roller II;
6. Ink roller III; 7. Wiping cylinder; 8. Plate
(inked in three colors, wiped, and ready for
printing); 9. Plate (in process of being inked
in three colors).

called the "L-type" perforator. A characteristic of sheets of stamps perforated this way is that the perforations extend through all the margins of the sheet.

The first stamp that passed through the Giori press was the 4-cent Flag Issue showing "Old Glory" (Scott 1094, 1957). This was followed by the Ramon Magsaysay stamp that inaugurated the Champions of Liberty series (Scott 1096). Ten multicolored commemorative stamps followed over the next two years. A second and improved Giori press was brought into use in 1959.

Conclusion

The 117 stamps and solitary souvenir sheet issued during the 1950s are, by modern standards, few in number and dull in concept and design. Despite the unbridled enthusiasm of the designers serving on the CSAC, the full potential of the Cottrell and Giori presses would not be realized until the 1960s.



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019 CAPE OF GOOD HOPE – 31 used stamps on an album page from 1855-1904 in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include used #3-6, etc. 2013 Scott \$945. NET \$250

020 CAPE OF GOOD HOPE – Used collection (1 stamp unused) from 1853-1904 on Scott specialty pages in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include used #1, 2, 4, 5, 6, signed 13, 71 and unused #3, etc. 2014 Scott \$1967. NET \$450

021 CEYLON – Mostly used collection from 1857-1938 on Scott pages in a bit mixed but generally F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #85 and used #7, 158, etc. 2012 Scott \$1834. NET \$375

022 CYPRUS – Mint and used collection of around 75 stamps to 1935 on ancient album pages. Highlights include used #134, etc. 2014 Scott \$697. NET \$225

023 DOMINICA – Over 200 mint and used stamps from 1877-1969 on Quadrilled pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include unused #4 and used #5, 43, etc. 2015 Scott \$728. NET \$225

024 FALKLAND ISLANDS – Mint and used collection of around 240 stamps from 1892-2004 on Quadrilled pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #71, 72, etc. 2015 Scott \$961. NET \$325

025 FIJI – Collection of a few hundred mint (82%) and used (18%) stamps from 1877-1977 on Scott specialty pages. Highlights include mint #123, 125, 131a, 131b, 147-62, and used #35, 67, etc. Generally VF condition and desirable. 2013 Scott \$1005. NET \$325

026 GAMBIA – Small collection of 94 all different, all mint stamps from 1935-69 on quadrille album pages. All are VF complete sets. Very useful and desirable. 2013 Scott \$202. NET \$75

027 GAMBIA – Highly desirable mint collection of 89 stamps from 1886-1935 on Palo pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include #61, 65-6, 86, 87-96, 102-120, 121-4, etc. 2015 Scott \$1443. NET \$695

028 GIBRALTAR – Mint (80%) and used (20%) on Scott specialty pages from 1886-1977 in F-VF condition. Highlights include used #59a and mint #2, 19, 21, 35, 38, 57, 58, 88, 92, etc. 2013 Scott \$1650. NET \$525

029 GIBRALTAR – Small collection on Scott pages from 1886-1929 containing around 50 mostly mint stamps including a nice used #3 in F-VF condition. Also includes some duplicates but not counted as a gift. 2013 Scott \$540. NET \$160

030 GIBRALTAR – Nearly complete mint never hinged collection from 1999-2010 in mounts housed in an album. Stamps are VF and post office fresh. 2015 Scott \$1426. NET \$725

031 GIBRALTAR – Spectacular collection of 85 different mint stamps from 1886-1935 in mounts on Palo pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include #22-8, 29-38, 39-48, 49-64, 65-75, 76-92, 93 w/cert, etc. 2015 Scott \$6107. NET \$3195

032 GREAT BRITAIN – 44 different almost all used stamps from 1840-1884 on Lighthouses hingeless pages in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #105 and used #1, 2, 49 pl# 10, 51a pl# 8, 55, 94-5, 96, 103, 106, 107, etc. 2014 Scott \$5736. NET \$995

033 GREAT BRITAIN – Small collection of 39 different stamps from 1884-1911 on ancient pages in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include used #103, 107, 108, 109, 126, 139, 140, etc. 2014 Scott \$2758. NET \$525

034 GREAT BRITAIN – Mint collection of around 225 stamps from 1935-1966 on Scott pages in F-VF condition including the regional issues. Highlights include #292-308, Guernsey #11-5, etc. 2014 SCOTT \$378. NET \$125

035 GREAT BRITAIN – Powerful mint and used collection of around 1600 stamps from 1840-1993 mostly mounts in a Scott specialty album in a bit mixed but generally far better than normally seen. Highlights include used #1, 2, 22, 37, 40, 46, 48, 52, 53, 57, 60, 109, 141, 142, 209 King George Slaying the Dragon!, etc. 2014 Scott \$17,365. NET \$3450

036 GREAT BRITAIN – Mint never hinged collection from 1970-1999 in two expensive Lighthouse hingeless albums in VF condition. While the Machins are largely unfinished, the commemoratives are 98% complete. Face value alone is 2496 pounds = \$837 US. NET \$850

037 GREAT BRITAIN OFFICES – Highly desirable mint collection from 1898-1956 in mounts on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include Eritrea #14-26, Tripolitania #27-34 NH, Morocco #25, 218-219, 246-252 NH, 545, etc. 2015 Scott 1085. NET \$575

038 GRENADA – Highest quality mint collection from 1904-1935 on Palo pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include #58-67, 68-76, 77-88, 9-112, etc. 2015 Scott \$1192. NET \$650

039 GRENADA – Around 75 mint and used stamps from 1863-1935 on album pages in a little mixed but generally F-VF condition. Includes used #34, etc. 2014 Scott \$715. NET \$195

040 HONG KONG – Mint and mostly used collection of around 150 stamps on Scott specialty pages in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include used #11, 36b, 54, etc. 2014 Scott \$1150. NET \$325

041 HONG KONG – Mint never hinged collection from 1984-2011 in a Scott spe-

cialty album in VF condition appearing to be around 70% complete. 2014 Scott \$1469. NET \$875

042 INDIA – Highly desirable and also highly complete mint collection (2 stamps are used) from 1854-1986 in mounts housed in a Scott specialty album in F-VF condition. The Scott specialty pages run from 1854-1968 then the stamps are neatly arranged on Scott blank pages thereafter. Highlights include used #29 and 6 unused, and mint #15, 18, 24, 31-5, 36-46, 50-2, 74, 125, 150-167, 203-6, 207-222 NH, 254-271, M1-10, M12-20, M23-33, 097-103, etc. India is one of the hotter areas in philately! 2015 Scott \$12,653. NET \$5995

043 INDIA – Highly desirable complete mint set, Scott #60-75 in F-VF condition on a Palo album page. 2015 Scott \$509. NET \$350

044 INDIA – Around 200 mint (25%) and used (75%) stamps from 1854-1945 on Scott specialty pages in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #142-8 NH, C1-6 and used #129-134, etc. 2015 Scott \$685. NET \$275

045 INDIA CONVENTION STATES – CHAMBA – Rarely offered mint collection of around 140 stamps from 1887-1943 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #20-9, 32-43, 83, 84, 87b-8, 89-100, 045c, 054, 066, etc. 2015 Scott \$2055. NET \$1350

046 INDIA CONVENTION STATES – GUALIOR – Highly desirable mint collection from 1885-1944 of over 100 stamps in mounts on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #9-12, 24-8, 35-48, 113, 051, 052-61, etc. 2015 Scott \$1137. NET \$750

047 INDIA CONVENTION STATES – JHIND – Rarely offered collection of around 175 mint stamps from 1885-1944 in mounts on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #45, 46, 88-97, 124, 161, 164, 165-177, 046, 048, 060, 061, etc. 2015 Scott \$212. NET \$1450

048 INDIA CONVENTION STATES – NABHA – Highly desirable mint collection of around 125 different stamps in mounts from 1885-1946 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #6, 10, 27-36, 100-112, 06-015, etc. When is this material EVER offered? 2015 Scott \$1167. NET \$750

049 INDIA CONVENTION STATES – PARIKOT – Highly desirable mint collection from 1886-1900 in mounts on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #4-12, 13-14, etc. 2015 Scott \$319. NET \$225

050 INDIA CONVENTION STATES – PATIAIA – Highly desirable mint collection of around 165 stamps from 1884-1946 in mounts on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #6, 53-7, 60-71, 98-101, 63-076, etc. 2015 Scott \$1669. NET \$1095

051 IRELAND – Mint and used collection of around 170 stamps on Davo pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #7, 175-6, and used #74, 117, etc. 2015 Scott \$623. NET \$195

052 JAMAICA – Collection of 143 mint and used stamps from 1860-1960 on Custom album pages. Highlights include mint #20 unused, 51, 52, 99, 106-8, 173, and used #2, 3, 4, 5, 6. Condition is F-VF. 2013 Scott \$883. NET \$250

053 JAMAICA – Collection of around 385 mint (65%) and used (35%) stamps from 1860-1977 on Scott specialty pages. Highlights include mint #14, 51, 52, 86, 139 and used #5, 6, 54, etc. Condition is mainly F-VF. 2013 Scott \$1027. NET \$295

054 JAMAICA – Mint and used collection of around 275 stamps on Quadrilled pages in F-VF condition including much of the later material in mounts. Will give one a good start in this area. 2015 Scott \$615. NET \$210

055 JORDAN – Rarely offered mint collection in mounts of over 400 stamps from 1920-1968 housed in a Scott specialty album in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #1-11, 53-63, 130-144, 158-168, 169-184, 207-220, 255-269, 286A-286G, 306-318, 352-367, 81-12, RA1-12, R37-46, N2-17, ETC. 2015 SCOTT \$4542. NET \$1695

056 KENYA, UGANDA AND TANGANYKA – MINT COLLECTION OF AROUND 140 STAMPS FROM 1921-1960'S IN MOUNTS ON SCOTT SPECIALTY PAGES IN F-VF CONDITION. HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE #58, 93, 120-135, ETC. 2014 SCOTT \$725. NET \$275

057 KUWAIT – Small mint collection in glassines in VF condition. Some are LH and some are NH. Highlights include #140-52, 155-72, 225-43. 2013 Scott \$320. NET \$140

058 LEeward ISLANDS – Mint and used collection of around 90 stamps from 1890-1954 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Will give one a start in this area. 2014 Scott over \$648. NET \$210

059 LESOTHO – All mint collection of around 475 stamps in mounts from 1966-1988 housed in a Palo album in generally VF condition. The collection is 90% NH. 2015 Scott \$628. NET \$250

060 MALAYA – Highly complete collection of states from 1949-55 of 250 stamps on Scott pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include Kedah 61-81 used, and Kelantan 50-70, Malacca 29-44, Pahang 50-70, Perak 105, Selangor 80-100, and Trengganu 53-73, etc. 2013 Scott \$1129. NET \$475

061 MALAYAN STATES – NEGRI SEMBILAN – Highly desirable collection of 94 mint and 2 used on album pages from 1891-1961 in F-VF condition. Highlights include used #13 and mint #21-35, 38-58, etc. 2015 Scott \$889. NET \$475

062 MALAYAN STATES – PERANG – Highly desirable mint collection of 77 different stamps on album pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include #3-22, etc. 2015 Scott \$496. NET \$275

063 MALAYAN STATES – PERAK – Highly desirable collection of over 100 mint stamps from 1883-1961 on album pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include #15 unused and mint #34, 52, 55, 96, 105-125, N13, etc. 2015 Scott \$1359. NET \$725

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064 MALAYAN STATES – TRENGGANAU – Highly desirable mint collection of over 80 stamps from 1910-1963 on album pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #37, 53-73, 75-85, etc. 2015 Scott \$1157. NET \$695

065 MALTA – Nice collection of several hundred mostly used stamps from 1863-1978 on Scott specialty album pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #3 unused, 39 unused, 261 NH and used #67, 145. 2013 Scott \$1053. NET \$325

066 MALTA – Over 240 mint stamps from 1882-1961 on Scott specialty pages mostly in mounts in F-VF condition. This very nice material includes highlights such as mint #15-16, 17-18, 21-7, 77-84, 98-114, 114a, 116-129, 131-147, 167-183, 208-222, 246-262, etc. 2014 Scott \$2919. NET \$195

067 MALTA – 95% complete and 98% mint collection from 1863-2006 in mounts housed in four British albums in F-VF condition. Highlights include #4 unused and mint #3b, 6, 17-18, 73, 98-114, 114a, 116-129, 131-147, 148-166, 167-183, 246-262 NH, etc. 2013 Scott \$6975. NET \$2395

068 MALTA – Around 290 mint stamps from 1950-1979 in mounts housed in a Scott specialty album in VF condition. Highlights include #261, 262, etc. 2015 Scott \$276. NET \$120

069 MALTA – Around 95% used collection of around 675 stamps in a Scott specialty album from 1885-1987 in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include used #13, 54, 58, 62, 55, 78, 114, 178, 179, 187, 222, and mint #146. Will give one a very nice start in this area. 2015 Scott \$1832. NET \$595

070 MALTA – Mint collection of 94 stamps on Palo album leaves from 1882-1935 in F-VF condition. Highlights include #8-13, 14, 21-7, 28-45, 98-114a, 167-183, etc. 2015 Scott \$2194. NET \$1050

071 NAURU – Mint collection from 1916-1988 of around 295 stamps in mounts on homemade pages in F-VF condition. 2015 Scott \$258. NET \$100

072 NEPAL – Collection from 1977-2008 on Scott pages of over 500 stamps in F-VF condition. 2015 Scott \$370. NET \$120

073 NEPAL – Mint and used collection of around 650 stamps from 1881-2002 on Minkus pages in mostly F-VF condition. Will give one a good start in this area. 2015 Scott \$735. NET \$240

074 NEW ZEALAND – Mint and mostly used collection of over 1900 stamps from 1874-2004 on Minkus pages in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include used #52 and mint #B2, J19, etc. Will give someone many hours of enjoyment! 2013 Scott \$2814. NET \$595

075 NEW ZEALAND – Substantial one volume collection of hundreds of mint and used stamps plus one cover from 1856-1977 in a Scott specialty album. Condition is generally F-VF. Highlights include used #8-9, 16, 1754, 66, 156, AR15, 027, and mint #122-5, 181 NH, 182-3, 197, C1-3, C5, E1, 075, etc. Cat. \$4189. NET \$875

076 NEW ZEALAND – Mainly used collection with a touch of mint on homemade pages in a three ring binder from 1862-1982 of around 900 stamps in a bit mixed but generally F-VF condition. Highlights include used #14, 39, 41, 66, 69, 79, 80, 128, 130e, 131e, 197, 198, AR4, AR6, E1, J5, 060, 069, 0427, 0428, P16, etc. 2015 Scott \$3480. NET \$725

077 NEW ZEALAND – 99% complete mint never hinged collection from 1994-2011 in four White Ace albums in VF condition. The pages are the beautiful printed pages from 1994-2004 and from 2005-2011. The former collector attractively arranged them on White Ace blank pages. Face value alone is \$1594.65 New Zealand dollars = \$1238.88 US. Bring New Zealand to your home for only: NET \$1150

078 NIGERIA – Mint collection of around 165 stamps in mounts from 1914-1966 on Scott specialty pages in generally VF condition. Highlights include mint #59, 80-91, etc. 2015 Scott \$415. NET \$165

079 NIUE – Very nice 99% MNH collection from 1976-1994 in mounts on Scott blank pages in VF condition. MNH highlights include #317-34, 406-13a, 417-31a, 522-9, 604-614, etc. 2015 Scott \$1080. NET \$550

080 NORFOLK ISLANDS – Mint collection from 1947-1998 of around 525 stamps on Quadrilled pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include #13-18, etc. 2015 Scott \$732. NET \$295

081 NORTHERN NIGERIA – Highly desirable mint collection in mounts from 1902-1912 on Palo album leaves in F-VF condition consisting of Scott #10-18 and 40-52. 2015 Scott \$417. NET \$250

082 PAPUA NEW GUINEA – Around 950 mint and used stamps from 1901-2010 on mostly Minkus pages in generally F-VF condition. Nothing particularly expensive here – just lots of stamps from a popular area. 2014 Scott \$1606. NET \$525

083 PITCAIRN ISLANDS – Mint and used collection of around 450 stamps from 1940-1995 in F-VF condition on Scott specialty and Quadrilled pages. 2015 Scott \$611. NET \$195

084 QATAR – Highly desirable mint collection from 1964-1982 of around 200 stamps in VF condition on album pages including some NH. Will give one a start in a hard to come by area. 2014 Scott \$835. NET \$325

085 RHODESIA – Mint and used collection from 1891-1919 on a Scott specialty page in generally F-VF condition. 2011 Scott \$438. NET \$150

086 RHODESIA – Mostly used collection from 1890-1963 on Scott specialty pages highlighted by used #79, 101-07, 110, 111b, 119-27, 129-32 and mint #141-55 NH. Mostly F-VF. 2012 Scott \$940. NET \$295

087 ST. HELENA – Mint (90%) and used (10%) collection from 1856-1995 of 616 stamps in F-VF condition Minkus pages. Many nice mint sets and some souvenir sheets included. Includes much NH in the later material. 2014 Scott \$1248. NET \$425

088 ST. HELENA – 17 different mint and used stamps from 1863-1893 on a Minkus quadrilled page in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include used #28, 10 and mint #39, etc. 2013 Scott \$832. NET \$225

089 ST. HELENA – Mint (95%) and used (5%) collection of around 160 stamps from 1879-1977 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #55, 92, 93, 118-127, 140-152, etc. 2013 Scott \$1285. NET \$425

090 ST. VINCENT – Around 475 mint never hinged stamps from 1965-1986 in an expensive KABE hingeless album in VF condition. 2015 Scott \$348. NET \$150

091 SARAWAK – Around 140 mint stamps from 1875-1979 on Scott specialty

pages in nearly all F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #15, 21, 28-31, 34, 79-93, 94-108, 180-194, 197-211, etc. 2015 Scott \$1639. NET \$695

092 SIERRA LEONE – All mint collection from 1896-1944 in mounts on Palo pages (the last page is not Palo) in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #140-152, 153-165, 173-185, etc. 2015 Scott \$2054. NET \$995

093 SIERRA LEONE – Mint and used collection of around 160 stamps in mounts on Quadrilled pages from 1859-1961 in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #162, 173-185, 195-207, etc. 2015 Scott \$778. NET \$275

094 SOLOMON ISLANDS – MNH collection on Scott pages from 1949-1980 in very nice condition. Highlights include #89-105, 128-142, 232-247, etc. 2013 Scott \$437. NET \$200

095 SOMALILAND PROTECTORATE – Mint collection of 56 different stamps in mounts on pages from 1921-1951 in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #64-76, 84-95, 116-126, etc. 2015 Scott \$412. NET \$185

096 SOUTH AFRICA – Small MNH collection on Scott pages from 1937-1961 in VF condition. Highlights include #200-213, B5-8, etc. 2013 Scott \$237. NET \$100

097 SOUTH AFRICA – Very nice mint (70%) and used (30%) collection from 1910-1972 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include used #2-16, 17-20, 316, J20 and mint #68-71, 297, B1-4, B5-8, B9-11, C6, J69, O26, etc. 2015 Scott \$3098. NET \$995

098 SOUTHERN NIGERIA – Very difficult to obtain mint collection of 20 different stamps from 1901-1907 on Palo pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #7, 8, 21-31, etc. 2015 Scott \$766. NET \$475

099 SOUTHERN RHODESIA – Mint (25%) and used (75%) collection of around 70 stamps from 1924-1953 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. 2014 Scott \$240. NET \$89

100 SOUTH GEORGIA – Over 400 mint never hinged stamps from 1995-2011 on Davo hingeless pages in VF condition. Highlights include #236-247, 296, 307-319, 380-91, etc. A very clean collection! 2013 Scott \$1474. NET \$775

101 SOUTHWEST AFRICA – Beautiful collection of around 300 mint (80%) and used (20%) stamps from 1923-1977 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #265, 327, 334, B4, B6, B9-11, C5, J15, 020, 025, and used #13, etc. 2014 Scott \$1626. NET \$575

102 STRAITS SETTLEMENTS – Mostly used collection from 1867-1941 of around 140 stamps on Scott pages in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include #60 unused, 123 mint and used #17, 88, 103, 127, 167, 238-252, B1-2, etc. 2015 Scott \$1869. NET \$575

103 SWAZILAND – Mint (90%) and used (10%) collection of over 350 stamps from 1889-1990 on Scott specialty pages in generally VF condition. Moderate duplication consisting of mint and used copies of many issues were not included in the cat value but included as a gift. Highlights include mint #7, 49, 75, etc. 2015 Scott \$754. NET \$295

104 TANZANIA – Beautiful mint collection of around 365 stamps from 1965-2006 in mounts on Quadrilled pages including much NH. 2014 Scott \$493. NET \$275

105 TOKELAU ISLANDS – Mint collection of around 170 stamps from 1948-1995 in mounts on Harris blank pages in F-VF condition. 2014 Scott \$209. NET \$79

106 TRANSVAAL – Mint and used collection from 1870-1910 on Scott specialty pages of around 85 stamps in F-VF condition. Highlights include used #19, 135, 265, 285 signed and mint #134, etc. 2014 Scott \$780. NET \$250

107 TRINIDAD, TOBAGO AND TRINIDAD/TOBAGO – Mint (95%) and used (5%) collection of around 250 stamps from 1851-1986 on Scott specialty pages in generally F-VF condition. Includes Trinidad (cat. #475) with mint #87, 88, etc., Tobago (cat. #133) and Trinidad and Tobago (cat. #456) with mint #72-83, 89-102 NH, etc. 2014 Scott \$1064. NET \$350

108 TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO – Mint and used collection from 1860-1976 consisting of Trinidad, Tobago and Trinidad & Tobago on Scott specialty pages in generally F-VF condition. Includes moderate duplication that has not been added in the cat value but is included as a gift. Highlights include Tobago used #13, Trinidad used #27, 33, 34, 36, 43, 45, 46, J1 with Trinidad & Tobago used #27, J12, J15 and mint #102, MR9, etc. 2014 Scott \$1316. NET \$425

109 TRISTAN DA CUNHA – A couple hundred mint and used stamps from 1963-1990 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. 2013 Scott \$414. NET \$140

110 TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS – MNH collection from 1945-1979 on Scott pages (both printed and blank) in VF condition. MNH highlights include #105-117, 121-135, etc. 2013 Scott \$388. NET \$160

111 TURKS ISLANDS – Small collection of 8 mint and 4 used stamps from 1881-1894 on a Scott specialty page in F-VF condition. Highlights include used #43, 44, etc. 2014 Scott \$164. NET \$75

112 VICTORIA – Mint and used collection of about 100 stamps in a bit mixed but generally fine condition on Scott specialty pages. Highlights include used #2, 4, 15, 35, 189. Mint includes #155, 205, AR7, B1-2. 2013 Scott \$1848. NET \$450

113 ZANZIBAR – Highly desirable mint collection of around 200 stamps from 1895-1966 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #14, 111, 112, 155, 214-217, 230-243, 264-279, etc. 2015 Scott \$1201. NET \$595

114 ZANZIBAR – Highly desirable collection of over 200 mint (75%) and used (25%) stamps from 1895-1967 in mounts on Scott International pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #14, 175, 212, 213, 214-217, 230-243, 264-279, J12-17, etc. 2015 Scott \$1267. NET \$525

WORLDWIDE COLLECTIONS

115 ABU DHABI – Mint collection from 1964-1972 on pages in nearly all F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #11-12, 14-15, 25-56, etc. This material is rarely offered! 2015 Scott \$1035. NET \$395

116 AEGEAN ISLANDS – Mint collection of approximately 67 stamps from 1932-1940 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include #12-18, 31-35, 36-46, C15, C17, C19, C20-21, C23-25, CE1-CE2, CE3-CE4, etc. 2015 Scott \$2692. NET \$1395

117 AEGEAN ISLANDS – INDIVIDUAL ISLANDS – Highly desirable mint collection of around 250 stamps from 1912-1943 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include complete Garibaldi issues for each island, Rhodes #15-23, etc. 2012 Scott \$3885. NET \$1750

118 AFGHANISTAN – Mint (90%) and used (10%) collection of around 250 stamps from 1927-1961 in mounts on Scott pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include #269-280, 290-305, 369-385, etc. 2015 Scott \$407. NET \$150

119 ALAND – Mint never hinged collection on Lindner hingeless pages in VF condition. 2015 Scott \$340. NET \$165

120 ALBANIA – Around 125 mint and used stamps from 1913-1938 on Quadrilled pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #6, 310-323, and used #8, 10, 15, 17, 241-8, C15-21, etc. 2015 Scott \$6817. NET \$1350

121 ALGERIA – Very nice collection of around 500 mint (80%) and used (20%) stamps from 1924-1990 on Scott specialty pages in generally F-VF condition. Also includes moderate duplication consisting mainly of mint and used copies of many issues that have not been counted in the cat value and included as a gift. Highlights include mint #66, 303, B12 signed, B13 signed, C11, J48 and used #B28-31, etc. 2014 Scott \$1074. NET \$375

122 ARGENTINA – Mint and used collection of about 350 stamps from 1858 to about 1935 on pages. This comes from a highly knowledgeable collector who placed the catalogue number next to every stamp in pencil. Condition is generally F-VF. Highlights include mint #6, used 7F, used 9, 33, 88, etc. There are a few hundred stamps of modest value that have not been counted. 2013 Scott \$2765. NET \$650

123 ARMENIA – Around 125 mint stamps from 1919-1922 in mounts on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #19, 20, etc. 2015 Scott \$430. NET \$175

124 ASIA – A nice collection of over 370 stamps on Scott pages from 1949-1955. The strongest country is Korea. Highlights include Ryukyu mint #14, 15 and 18 unused and Thailand #306 mint and B35-37 unused. Other countries are Indonesia, Nepal and Philippines. Condition is F-VF. 2013 Scott \$1398. NET \$350

125 AUSTRIA – Mint collection on Minkus pages from 1910-1961 in nice condition. Highlights include #128-144, 340-353 (short #350), 500-515, 520-556, B122-7, B260-3, B269-271, B273-6, C32-46, C54-60, etc. 2011 Scott \$2890. NET \$695

126 AUSTRIA – ITALIAN OCCUPATION – 53 different mint and used stamps on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition from 1918-1919. Highlights include mint #N29, NE1 and used N30, N60, etc. 2015 Scott \$537. NET \$185

127 AUSTRIA – Over 95% complete mint and used collection in mounts from 1850-1999 housed in a Scott specialty album in F-VF condition. Highlights include used #1-5, 6-11, 17-21, P1, P7 and mint #128-144, 380, 424-7, 428-431, 887-92, B93-8, B100-5, B110, B112-117, B269-271, etc. 2015 Scott \$7396. NET \$1795

128 AUSTRIAN OFFICES IN TURKISH EMPIRE – 74 different mint and used stamps from 1867-1914 on Scott specialty pages in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #28-9, 30-1, etc. 2015 Scott \$358. NET \$125

129 AZORES – Powerful mint and used collection from 1868-1932 in mounts on Scott specialty pages in generally F-VF condition. Lots of highlights such as unused #4 w/cert, 8, 11 w/cert and mint #34, 35 w/cert, 59, 60, 237E, 237F, 237G and used #2, 6, 14, 31, 32, 53a, 54, 78-92 (mostly used), etc. 2015 Scott \$5749. NET \$1895

130 BELGIUM – Mint never hinged collection from 1935-1989 in mounts housed in a Minkus album in mainly VF condition. The collection appears to be 90% complete. MHM highlights include #374-85, B273-8, B468-476, B485-91, B523-530, B532-7, B547-54, B555-57, B558-60, B564-66, B662a, C5, C12, J12, 052, Q5, Q327, Q360, Q361A, Q361B, and used #1, 2, 5, 8, 9, 12, 23 signed, 26b, 47, 48, 74, 121, 134, 171, 89-16, B123-24, Q179, etc. 2014 Scott \$1891. NET \$1950

132 BELGIUM – An extremely high level of completion mint (30%) and used (70%) collection in a Lighthouse hingeless album from 1849-1944 in generally F-VF condition, though far better than normally seen. Highlights include used #1-2, 6-8, 9-12, 22, 23-26b, 39, 39 roller cancel signed, 60-75, 124-137 (135-7 are signed), B9-16, B33a, B106, B107-113, B123-4, B125-131, and mint #845 signed, B846 signed, B47 signed, B69-77, B122, B132-143, B144-150, etc. 2014 Scott \$11,586. NET \$2495

133 BELGIAN CONGO – Mint and used collection of around 175 stamps from 1866-1955 on Minkus quadrilled pages in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include used #12 and mint #29, etc. 2014 Scott \$677. NET \$275

134 BELGIAN CONGO – Highly desirable mint and used collection of around 325 stamps on Quadrilled pages in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include used #45-59, etc. Also includes some uncounted duplicates as a gift. 2015 Scott \$671. NET \$250

135 BELGIUM AND BELGIAN CONGO – Virtually all used collection in a Minkus album from 1849-1922 in generally nice condition. Highlights include used #1-2, 3, 5, 8, 9-12, 17, 23 signed, 24a-26b, 92-102, 108-122, 137, B89-105, B107-113, B123-4, B144-150, B156-162, J12-16, etc. Also includes some modest Belgian Congo. 2012 Scott \$6133. NET \$995

136 BOLIVIA – Fabulous very neat collection of around 1500 stamps from 1868-1997 in two very nice Scott specialty albums in generally F-VF condition.

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The collection is over 95% complete for the time period, including voluminous numbers of souvenir sheets, many of which are not listed in Scott. The collection is mostly used up to the 1940's and nearly all mint thereafter, appearing all NH from 1970 on. Huge number of highlights including used #11, 13, 18, 23, 34, 47-54, 55 signed, 56, 58, mint #374a, 433-50, 520a, 525a, 526a, 543a, 553a, 553b, 562a, 562b, 581a, 583a, 612a, 612b, 629a, 637a, 651a, 656a, 657-60, 674a, 678a, 688a, 689a, 690a, 690b, 723a, 739a, 740a, 764a, 768, 874-89, 958-71, C21a, C294a, C301a, C306a, C318a, C319a, C325a, etc. 2014 Scott \$7710. NET \$2395

137 BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA – Around 170 mint and used stamps from 1894-1918 in mounts on Scott specialty pages in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include mint J1-26 and used #85. etc. 2015 Scott \$569. NET \$250

138 BULGARIA – Spectacular over 90% mint collection from 1879-1947 on Scott specialty pages in mostly F-VF condition appearing to be 95% complete. Probably the best Bulgarian collection we have ever offered! Highlights include used #2, 10, 19, 21, 21B-22 and mint #1, 3, 4 mint thin 28-37, 74-76, 89-100, 244-250, 267-272, 273-8, C12-14, J1, J2, J4, etc. 2015 Scott \$7459. NET \$2295

139 CAMEROONS – Small mint collection from 1915-1960 in mounts on Scott specialty pages. Includes #66-77, etc. 2015 Scott \$152. NET \$69

140 CAMEROONS – Mint and used collection from 1915 on a Scott specialty page in F-VF condition. Highlights include used #62, 63, 64, 65, etc. 2012 Scott \$3744. NET \$1195

141 CANAL ZONE – Very strong collection of some 200 mint and used stamps on album pages in somewhat mixed but generally F-VF condition. Many scarce stamps here including used #3, 4-6 mint, strong classics always figured at the least expensive variety, mint #70-80, 84-93, 95, 1-5, C15-20, C01-7, J12-14. 2013 Scott \$2374. NET \$850

142 CANAL ZONE – AIR POST COLLECTION – Scarce material in very nice condition on an album page. Highlights include C01-6 mint LH, used C09 and C011. 2013 Scott \$460. Rarely offered! NET \$275

143 CASTELLORIZO – Highly desirable mint collection of 23 different stamps in mounts on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. 2015 Scott \$271. NET \$160

144 CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC – Over 200 mint stamps from 1960-1974 including much NH on Scott specialty pages in VF condition. Highlights include #126-8, B3-7, C78 NH, etc. 2014 Scott \$667. NET \$225

145 CHAD – Nice Republic era collection of a few hundred plus mint (80%) and used (20%) stamps from 1959-73 on Scott specialty album pages in F-VF condition. 2013 Scott \$599. NET \$200

146 CHAD – Over 90% mint collection of a few hundred stamps in generally VF condition from 1922-1972 in mounts housed in a Scott specialty album. Highlights include mint #C56, C60, C84 NH, etc. Also includes uncounted duplicates as a gift. 2014 Scott \$756. NET \$295

147 CHAD – Old collection of 67 mint stamps from 1922-1931 on Quadrilled pages in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include #47, J22, etc. 2014 Scott \$293. NET \$110

148 CHINA – Fabulous highly desirable collection of around 875 mint (98%) stamps from 1913-1949 on Scott specialty quadrilled pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #290-296, 297-306, 344-6, 349-363, 516-524, 960-2, 963-70, 984-7, 997-1006, C6-10, J34-42, J43-50, J51-8, J122-6, etc. This is the hottest area of philately! 2015 Scott \$6123. NET \$4495

149 CHINA – PEOPLES REPUBLIC – Highly desirable all mint 95% never hinged collection of around 2000 stamps in mounts from 1968-2007 housed in three Scott specialty albums in VF condition. Highlights include #998 NH, 1001-1004 NH, 1011-1015 NH, 1076-9 NH, 1099-1102 NH, 1104-7 NH, 1108-1113, 1211-1214, 1255-1270, 1389-1398 NH, 1501 NH, 1547-1554 NH, 1557-1572 NH, 1904 NH, etc. This is one of the hottest areas in philately! 2015 Scott \$7503. NET \$5795

150 REPUBLIC OF CHINA – Highly desirable 99% complete mint never hinged collection from 1964-1999 in a Scott specialty album in VF condition. Highlights include #1414-17, 1441-7, 1471-4, 1479-1482, etc. One of the hottest areas in philately! 2015 Scott \$3701. NET \$2895

151 REPUBLIC OF CHINA – NORTHEASTERN PROVINCES – Highly desirable mint collection of 73 different stamps in mounts from 1946-1949 on Scott specialty pages in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include #61-3, M3, etc. 2015 Scott \$392. NET \$295

152 REPUBLIC OF CHINA OFFICES – SINKIANG – Highly desirable *80% mint and (20%) used collection from 1915-1949 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #1-16, 39-42, J4-7, 74-77, 78-81, 82-88, 98-101, 184, 188, 202-7, C5-12 unused, C15-19, etc. 2015 Scott \$2922. NET \$1895

153 REPUBLIC OF CHINA – FORMOSA – Highly desirable collection of around 110 mint (85%) and used (15%) stamps from 1945-1950 in mounts on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #1-9, 28A, J10-12, J13-17, etc. 2015 Scott \$1100. NET \$725

154 CHINA – FUJIKEN PROVINCE – Highly desirable mint collection (2 stamps are used) from 949 on mounts on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #1-12, 18, 19-23, etc. 2015 Scott \$801. NET \$495

155 REPUBLIC OF CHINA – HUPEH PROVINCE – Complete collection of only 2 stamps issued on a Scott specialty page in F-VF condition. NET \$79

156 REPUBLIC OF CHINA – HUNAN PROVINCE – Mint collection from 1949 in mounts on a Scott specialty page in F-VF condition. Lacks only #1 from completion. 2015 Scott \$196. NET \$140

157 REPUBLIC OF CHINA – KIANGSI PROVINCE – Highly desirable complete mint collection from 1949 on a Scott specialty page. Exceptionally difficult to obtain! NET \$325

158 REPUBLIC OF CHINA – KWANGSI PROVINCE – Highly desirable collection in mounts on Scott specialty pages from 1949 in F-VF condition. Exceptionally difficult to obtain! 2015 Scott \$565. NET \$450

159 REPUBLIC OF CHINA – MANCHURIA – A very hard to obtain collection of 27 mint and 1 used stamps from 1927-1929 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include used #20 and mint #21-4, 25-8, etc. 2015 Scott \$717. NET \$25

160 REPUBLIC OF CHINA – SHANGHA AND NANKING – Highly desirable collection of around 120 mint stamp in mounts from 1942-1945 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Includes #9N72 unused. 2015 Scott \$320. NET \$225

161 REPUBLIC OF CHINA – SZEQUAN PROVINCE – Highly desirable mint collection of 49 different stamps from 1933-1949 on a Scott specialty page and a stockpage in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #4-11, 12-23, 24-49, etc. Very difficult to obtain! 2015 Scott \$1636. NET \$1225

162 REPUBLIC OF CHINA – TIBET – Mint collection of the first 8 stamps in F-VF condition on a Scott specialty page. 2015 Scott \$306. NET \$250

163 REPUBLIC OF CHINA – SHENSI PROVINCE – Complete mint collection from 1949 on a Scott specialty page in F-VF condition. Nearly impossible to find! NET \$260

164 CHINA – TSINGTAU PROVINCE – Complete used collection of only 4 stamps in F-VF condition. Here may be the only chance to buy as we probably won't ever see these again! NET \$275

165 REPUBLIC OF CHINA – YUNNAN PROVINCE – Nearly all mint collection of 66 stamps from 1926-1949 on Scott specialty pages in nearly all F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #21-4, 25-8, 43, 44, 45-8, 49-60, 61-9, etc. A rare opportunity! 2015 Scott \$1305. NET \$950

166 REPUBLIC OF CHINA – HONAN OCCUPATION – Highly desirable collection of 55 mint and 2 used stamps from 1941-1942 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #3N34-41, 3N55-7, etc. 2015 Scott \$553. NET \$375

167 REPUBLIC OF CHINA – HUNEI OCCUPATION – 31 mint and 1 used collection from 1941-1942 on a Scott specialty page in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #4N68-71, etc. 2015 Scott \$378. NET \$275

168 REPUBLIC OF CHINA OCCUPATION – KWANTUNG – Nearly all mint collection of stamps from 1942-1945 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #1N1-22, 1N38-42, 1N43-56 and used 1N57-8, etc. 2015 Scott \$581. NET \$425

169 REPUBLIC OF CHINA OCCUPATION – MENG CHIANG – Highly desirable 90% mint collection of around 130 stamps from 1941-1945 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #2N75, 2N83-93, 2N101-6, etc. 2015 Scott \$1188. NET \$895

170 REPUBLIC OF CHINA OCCUPATION – NORTH CHINA – Around 110 mint stamps in mounts on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include 8N23, 8N34, 8N113-118, etc. When is this material ever offered? 2015 Scott \$511. NET \$375

171 REPUBLIC OF CHINA OCCUPATION – SHANTUNG – Highly desirable mint collection from 1941 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include #6N35-44, 9N61-4, etc. 2015 Scott \$545. NET \$395

172 REPUBLIC OF CHINA OCCUPATION – SHANSI – Highly desirable mint collection of 60 stamps from 1941 in mounts on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include #5N17, 5N18, 5N60-3, 5N64-8, etc. 2015 Scott \$743. NET \$575

173 REPUBLIC OF CHINA OCCUPATION – SUPEH – Highly desirable collection of 52 mint stamps from 1941 in mounts on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include #7N24, 7N54-7, 7N58-61, etc. 2015 Scott \$816. NET \$595

174 CILICIA – Mostly mint collection from 1919-1920 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #19-21, 63, 115 signed, J5-8, etc. 2015 Scott \$1175. NET \$495

175 CRETE – Around 100 mint and used stamps in a touch mixed but mostly F-VF condition on Scott specialty pages. Highlights include #38 and mint #63, 80, 118, 119, etc. 2015 Scott \$1154. NET \$395

176 CROATIA – Mint collection on Scott specialty leaves from 1941-1944 in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #1-8, 9-23, B73-5, etc. 2015 Scott \$922. NET \$395

177 CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND RELATED – Mostly used collection from 1918-1961 of affordable stamps from Czech, Bohemia and Moravia, Slovakia and Eastern Silesia, etc. Will give one a nice start in this area. 2012 Scott \$475. NET \$110

178 DENMARK – Several hundred mint and used stamps from 1851-1988 in a Scott specialty album in generally F-VF condition. The collection is 97% used to 1953, then almost all mint thereafter. Highlights include used #3, 6-7, 9-10, 17, 20, 24, 25-34, 41-52, 65-9, 81, 82, 135, 164-175, B1-2, J9-24, P1-10, etc. 2014 Scott \$6229. NET \$1225

179 DENMARK – Collection of approximately 600 mint and used stamps from 1851-1970 on Minkus album pages. Highlights include mint #16, 80, 152, C1, C2, C3, and used #2, 8, 27, 31, 33, 34, 52, 65-9, 79, 110, 129, 164-75, B1-2, B3-5, M1, 02, 06-9, 010, 018, P7, P9, P10, Q4. Condition is generally F-VF or better with the vast majority of the value being in the used material. 2013 Scott \$3021. NET \$650

180 DENMARK – Nine 95% used collection of around 1150 stamps from 1851-2000 on album pages in generally F-VF condition. Light duplication throughout is not counted or included in the catalogue value (except #68). Highlights include used #2, 3, 11, 12, 13a signed 35 signed 52, 58, 62 (2 copies), 110, 129, 233, BS and mint #77, 78, BS, C1, C2 unused, C3 unused, etc. 2014 Scott \$2901. NET \$695

181 DIEGO SUAREZ – Highly desirable mint and used collection of 37 different stamps from 1890-1894 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #15 and used #2, 3 signed, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10 on piece, 12, 16, 21, 22 signed on piece, etc. 2014 Scott \$3473. NET \$1450

182 DUBAI – Around 225 mint and used stamps from 1963-1972 on pages in nearly all F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #53-66, C1-8, C13-15 S/S, J1-9, etc. Also includes some non Scott listed material. NET \$175

183 EASTERN EUROPE – Collection in excess of 2300 mint and used stamps from 1949-1955 on Scott pages with loads of singles and sets in the \$20-\$100 range. Highlights include Albania C60-C63 used, Hungary 96c mint, Jugoslavia 393, C49 mint and C55 MNH, Romania C43-C44 used, and mint Russia 1364-5, 1403, 1443-4, 1463-1, 1497-9, 1541, 1596-7. 2013 Scott \$5825. NET \$1325

184 EGYPT – Powerful 95% complete mint and used collection from 1866-1971 in a Minkus album in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include used #6, 15, 189, 190, J14 and mint #108-113, 167, 172-6, 224, B6a, B6b, C3-4, C3a, C67-77a, M9, N1-19, NC1-12, N20-38, etc. This is a very nice collection. 2015 Scott \$6005. NET \$2250

185 ERITREA – Desirable mint and used collection from 1892-2004 of around 150 stamps in F-VF condition. Will give one a start in a very popular area. 2015 Scott \$381. NET \$150

186 ERITREA – Highly desirable mint and used collection of over 160 stamps from 1892-1934 attractively displayed on stockpages with no duplication in mainly F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #11 signed, 28, 32, 46, 109-115, E2 and used #31, 69-74, 128, C7-16, J9, J11, etc. 2014 Scott \$5904. NET \$2195

187 ESTONIA – Around 120 mint and used stamps from 1918-1940 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include used #147a and mint #B9-10, B11, B28-31 NH, B36-9 NH, N44a, etc. 2015 Scott \$712. NET \$325

188 ETHIOPIA – A few hundred mint (80%) and used (20%) stamps from 1895-1966 on Scott pages in nearly all F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #165-174, 180-9, 190-9, 232-241, 345-350, N1-7, etc. 2015 Scott \$1463. NET \$650

189 EUROPA – Nice MNH collection of over 500 stamps in a White Ace album from 1956-1968 with additional year sets 1969, 1972, 1974, 1975 unmounted in glasses. 2015 Scott \$1598. NET \$595

190 EUROPA – 99% complete pristine MNH collection from 1956-1998 in five bulging White Ace albums in excellent condition. Only lacks a few issues from 1995 which shouldn't be hard to obtain. NET \$1250

190A FAR EASTERN REPUBLIC – Rarely offered mostly mint collection of 59 stamps from 1920-1923 in mounts on Scott pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #9, 11 signed 13, 16, 18 signed, 62 pairs signed, N1-4, etc. 2015 Scott \$1828. NET \$1095

191 FINLAND – Over 1000 mint (25%) and used (75%) stamps from 1882-2002 in a Stender album in generally F-VF condition. Includes minor duplication that has not been added as a gift. Highlights include used #17, 19, 23, 23a, 30, 52, 55, B2-4, etc. 2014 Scott \$1764. NET \$400

192 FINLAND – Mint collection of around 430 stamps from 1895-1967 on Scott pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #75, 83-108, 110, 111-118, 291-6, 312-323, C1, M8, Q1-5, Q6-9, etc. 2014 Scott \$1786. NET \$475

193 FINLAND – Extensive clean collection of over 900 mostly mint stamps (80%-+) from 1875-1988 on Scott specialty pages in generally VF condition. Highlights include mint #118, 381, 537a, C4, Q8, etc. 2014 Scott \$1636. NET \$450

194 FINLAND – Very strong mostly used specialized classical collection from 1856-1929 of about 180 stamps. The original highly knowledgeable collector over 50 years ago identified each stamp and placed the catalogue number next to each stamp. Begins with #2 cancelled four margins sound, 2c pen cancel 4 margins, then 4, 5, 5a, 6, 6a, 7, 8, 8a, 9, 9a, 10, 10a, 11, 12, 12a. Then continues with a high degree of completion. The earlies are in the usual mixed condition and there are often extra copies which are uncounted and included as a gift. The perforation varieties of later material are carefully identified. 2013 Scott \$5510. NET \$1195

195 FIUME – Highly desirable mint and used collection from 1918-1924 on stockpages including a bit of uncounted duplication as a gift. Highlights include mint #19, 20a, 24-5, 100-3, 118, 124, 130, 132, 133, and used #113, 125, 131, 143, 160, etc. NET \$1450

196 FRANCE – 90% used collection of around 2000 stamps from 1853-2011 in 4 Scott Specialty albums in generally F-VF condition. Consists of Scott Specialty pages until 1977 then Scott Specialty quadrilled pages thereafter. Highlights include used #329, 348, B11, B20-3, B267-272, C1, C22, C23-7, etc. It's not often you see so much modern used material. 2013 Scott \$7025. NET \$1275

197 FRANCE – Very nice clean collection of around 850 mint stamps (only 4 used stamps) from 1903 to 1960 just filling a 16-page Lighthouse stockbook. The stamps are generally in VF condition, with the earlies just a touch mixed. Highlights include mint #144, 198-201, 311, 312, 320, 414, 475-76 H, 624, 694-9, 56, B27-5, B18, B29, B30, B53 NH, B157a, B249-54, B285-90, B294-99, C6 NH, N15-26, etc. 2014 Scott \$3021. NET \$750

198 FRANCE – NEW ISSUES – Mint never hinged stamps purchased as new issues from 1999-2005 in large glassine envelopes. Stamps are VF and fresh! Face value alone is 699.57 EUROS = \$882.67 US. You may have this material for a touch under face. NET \$750

199 FRANCE – Extensive collection of over 1600 mint and used stamps from 1849-1976 in a Scott specialty album in generally F-VF condition. Includes stamps on pages and many stamps loose in glassine on pages that have not been mounted. (They are sorted to the page they belong on but not mounted). Highlights include mint #22, 130, B7, B11, B19, C27 and used #19, 83, 96, 126, etc. 2013 Scott \$6772. NET \$1295

200 FRANCE – Mint never hinged collection of around 1700 stamps in VF condition in four Lighthouse albums. The stamps are either in black mounts or actual hingeless pages. 2014 Scott \$2690. NET \$995

201 FRANCE – Extensive mint and used collection from 1849-1958 of around 1200 stamps in a Scott specialty album. Earlies are mixed condition then is mainly F-VF. Highlights include used #1, 7, 19, C1-2, C15-17, and mint #38, 39, 56, B27-28, B285-290 and much more. 2015 Scott \$15,590. NET \$3295

202 FRANCE – Mint collection from 1945-1975 in mounted houses in a Lighthouse album in generally VF condition. Nothing to knock your socks off here but would give one a start in this area as there are around 700 stamps. 2014 Scott \$771. NET \$225

203 FRANCE – Beautiful clean collection of around 875 mint stamps from 1955-1975 in a very nice French album in generally VF condition. The stamps are hinged until 1966 and NH thereafter. Highlights include mint #907-9, 952-55, 1100, C34-C36, etc. 2015 Scott \$1229. NET \$375

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204 FRENCH COLONIES – Around 725 mostly mint stamps in generally F-VF condition of mostly earlier issues though the French Polynesia contains later issues up to the early 2000's. A nice lot for a French enthusiast. Total 2015 Scott \$1555. NET \$375

205 FRENCH GUINEA – Very nice mint collection of 65 stamps from 1892-1944 on album pages in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #1-17, 31, etc. 2014 Scott \$725. NET \$295

206 FRENCH GUINEA – Very nice collection of around 195 stamps, mint (93%) and used (7%) from 1892-1944 on homemade pages in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include used #6, 12, 13, mint #14, 46, J7, etc. 2014 Scott \$716. NET \$275

207 FRENCH HEBRIDES – Mint or LH collection on Minkus pages from 1911-1978 in very fine condition (all in mounts). Most of the value is in sets in the \$20-\$60 range. 2013 Scott \$382. NET \$140

208 FRENCH POLYNESIA – 95% complete mint collection from 1958-1991 in two Lindner hingeless albums. Highlights include #233-240, C24-7, C33, C57, C52-3, C54, C63-7, etc. 2015 Scott \$403. NET \$1895

209 FRENCH SUDAN – Nice collection of around 150 stamps, 98% mint (3 used), from 1894-1944 on Quadrilled pages in VF condition. The collection is about 90% complete. Highlights include mint #12, 14, 60, used #16, etc. 2014 Scott \$494. NET \$195

210 GERMANY – Nearly complete mint and used collection on Minkus pages from 1949-2000 in nice condition. Highlights include #B310-313, B332-333 and mint #B314-323, etc. 2012 Scott \$2352. NET \$495

211 GERMANY – Several hundred mint stamps on Scott pages in an International binder from 1905-1965 in F-VF condition. Highlights include #337-9, 634-661, 667-8, 702-721, etc. 2014 Scott \$1720. NET \$475

212 GERMANY – Expansive collection of around 3000 stamps, used (92%) and mint (8%) from 1872-1990 in a nice Scott specialty album in F-VF condition. The collection is very strong in Berlin as well. Loads of highlights including used #6, 27, 667-68, 669, B314-15, B316-17, B320-23, B327-30, B331, B332-33, B334-37, B344-47, C46-56, 9N10, 9N13, 9N35-41, 9N63, 9N78, 9N80, 9N81-83, 9N84-93, 99N-100, 9N89, etc. 2014 Scott \$5935. NET \$1595

213 GERMANY – Mint and used collection of around 1100 stamps from 1875-1962 on Minkus pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include used #33-5, 75-9, 256-275, etc. 2015 Scott \$4476. NET \$995

214 GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC – Strong collection of around 600 mint and used stamps in an old-time Safe hingeless album in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #82-4 NH, 226A NH, B21a NH, 274, 034 and used #129, 136, B35a, etc. 2014 Scott \$2593. NET \$595

215 GERMANY – BERLIN – A nice Lindner hingeless album containing around 400 mint stamps from 1948-1978 in generally VF condition. Highlights include #9N17 NH, 9N61-3 NH, 9N83, 9N102, etc. 2014 Scott \$841. NET \$250

216 GERMANY – BERLIN – Mint and used collection from 1948-1969 of around 250 stamps on Schaubek pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #9N33, 9N35-41, 9N61-3, 9N84-5, and useds 9N10, 9N16, etc. Will be inexpensive at NET \$325

217 GERMANY – BERLIN – Mint and used collection from 1948-1958 on mostly Lindner pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include #9N10-20, 9N33-4, 9N61-3, 9N70-4 NH, 9N75-9 NH, etc. 2014 Scott \$1665. NET \$425

218 GERMANY – BERLIN – A highly complete (no SS) mint and used collection of 617 F-VF stamps from 1949-1983 on homemade pages. Highlights include 9N61-63 used and 9N88-11 used, etc. 2013 Scott \$1517. NET \$325

219 GERMANY – BERLIN – Scarce 9N83a mint og light hinge. The toughest item to complete a mint Berlin collection. 2013 Scott \$500. NET \$295

220 GERMANY – BERLIN – Very strong mint collection including much NH from 1948-1990 in three expensive SAFE hingeless albums in generally VF condition. Highlights include #9N1-20, 9N21-34 (9N33 and 9N34 are NH and signed), 9N35-41, 9N64-7 NH signed, 9N68 NH, 9N84-9N93 NH, 9N81-3 NH signed, etc. The collection is 95% complete and also contains a few hundred duplicates that have not been counted in the catalogue value and included as a gift. 2015 Scott \$4257. NET \$1420

221 GERMANY – BERLIN – Highly advanced collection of around 460 used stamps from 1948-1973 in F-VF condition in a Lindner hingeless album. 98% complete for the time period. Many, many highlights including 9N10-20, 9N21-34, 9N68, 9N69, 9N70-74, 9N75-79, 9N80, 9N94-98, 9N81-3, 9N85, 9N86, 9N87, 9N88-11, 9N812, etc. Many of the 1948-1949 issues have been signed! 2014 Scott \$5617. NET \$1850

222 GERMAN COLONIES – 8 different German colonies from Caroline Islands – Marshall Islands of 175 mint (75%) and used (25%) stamps in mounts on Scott International pages in F-VF condition. Will give one a good start in a popular area, 2014 Scott \$1070. nNET \$375

223 GERMANY – NORTH GERMAN CONFEDERATION – Mint and used collection of 19 stamps in generally nice condition on a Scott specialty page. 2013 Scott \$299. NET \$95

224 GERMAN STATES – Small collection of Breman, Bergedorf and Lubeck on ancient album pages in somewhat mixed but far better than usually found condition. Only 20 stamps but many are scarce. Includes Breman 1A used, Bergedorf #5 used, Lubeck #1 mint, used #4, 5, 8, 10, 12 and 14. Scott Cat is \$5220. NET \$895

225 GERMAN STATES – Mint and used collection of 14 different German States (from Baden to Wurttemburg) in mounts on Scott International pages from 1849-1970 in a bit mixed but generally F-VF condition consisting of around 380 stamps (probably over 400 including the uncounted damaged issues). Best areas are Bavaria (cat \$642), Hamburg (cat \$510), Lubeck (cat \$2726), Prussia (cat \$496), Schleswig (cat \$431), Thurn & Taxis (cat \$831), and Wurttemberg (cat \$802). Total 2015 Scott \$7974. NET \$1350

226 GUADELOUPE – Mint (80%) and used (20%) collection of around 220 stamps from 1889-1947 on Quadrilled pages in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #3, 5, etc. 2015 Scott \$717. NET \$225

227 GUADELOUPE – 90% mint collection of around 165 stamps from 1884-1947

in a stockbook in a bit mixed but generally F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #1 signed, 8 signed, 24 signed, 49 signed and used #2 signed, 4 signed, 5 signed, 7 signed, 9 signed, J10, etc. 2014 Scott \$860. NET \$285

228 GUATEMALA – Mint and used collection of around 475 stamps on album pages in a Lighthouse 3 ring binder in a bit mixed but generally F-VF condition. Highlights include used #6, 20, etc. 2015 Scott \$1248. NET \$275

229 HATAY – A second time ever offering of this country consisting of 47 different mint stamps from 1939 on a few different pages in mostly F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #1-11, 25-37, J1-5, etc. We may never get material from this area again! 2015 Scott \$285. NET \$170

230 HATAY – Complete mint collection in mounts on pages from 1939 in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include #11, 12-24, 25-37, J1-5, etc. 2015 Scott \$328. NET \$225

231 HUNGARY – Several hundred mint stamps from 1936-1965 on Scott pages in an International binder in F-VF condition. Highlights include #871-884, 945-958, 1035, 1048-1056c, 1182, C81, C157, etc. 2014 Scott \$1532. NET \$400

232 HUNGARY – 98% complete mint and used collection in mounts from 1871-1947 housed in a Scott specialty album in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include used #6, 7-12, B18-34, C26-34, P2 and mint #34, 700-7, B1-17, B80-7, C45 NH, P1, Q1-8, etc. One of the nicer Hungarian collections we've had the pleasure to offer. 2015 Scott \$3543. NET \$995

233 HUNGARY OCCUPATION STAMPS – Fabulous mint world class virtually complete collection on Scott specialty pages, then a complete exhibition quality mint collection of the Revolutionary or Prony government catalogued by Zumstein and Michel (we have included them as a gift). And finally a scarce substantial revenue collection also included as a gift. The Occupation mint collection is minus only 11 stamps, otherwise complete for 1N1, 1N40, 2N1-2N50, 3N1-34, 5N1-23, 6N1-50, 7N1-42, 10N1-42, 11N1-35. Did we forget to mention all the semi-postals and postage dues are also present. 2013 Scott of just what we catalogued approximately \$7700. NET \$2295

234 ICELAND – Highly complete MNH collection of approximately 830 stamps from 1961-2010 on Varis pages in a binder in VF condition. Better material includes #378-397, 573-574, 745E, 759B, 776B and loads more useful issues. 2015 Scott \$1904. NET \$750

235 ICELAND – Mint (85%) and used (15%) collection of around 600 stamps in mounts from 1876-1997 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #137, 138, etc. Includes much NH from 1970-1997. 2015 Scott \$1628. NET \$450

236 ICELAND – Mint and mainly used collection on Scott specialty pages from 1873-1987 in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #7, C4-8, and used #13, 14, 15-20, 44B, 68, 71-85, 92-8, 149, 213-216, C9-11, etc. Doesn't include 808 pages after Airs as the former collector didn't collect them. 2012 Scott \$7198. NET \$1395

237 ICELAND – Around 250 stamps from 1876-1960 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. The collection is almost all used prior to 1930 and then mint and used thereafter. Highlights include mint #14, 213-216, 232-5, 289-296 NH and used #13, 15-20, 34-44B (43 is missing), 97, 99-107, 152-166 (159 is mint), C2, C3, O51, etc. 2013 Scott \$6440. NET \$1395

238 IRAN – Around 75 mint stamps from 1956-1966 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include #1074-6, 1130-2, 1276-81, etc. 2015 Scott \$706. NET \$195

239 IRAQ – 95% used collection of around 500 stamps from 1918-1969 in a Scott specialty album in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #C36, RA1, RA2 and used #77, 78, 024, etc. 2014 Scott \$633. NET \$185

240 ISRAEL – Beautiful tab collection absolutely complete mint never hinged from 1948-1997 in four excellent condition Lindner hingeless albums. The collection is missing only 1-9, 28-30 and J1-11. NET \$2495

241 ITALY – Collection of many hundreds of mint and used stamps from 1918-72 in a Scott specialty album plus some Minkus album pages. Highlights include mint #366, 409, 600, EY1, ILN13, ILNC6, and used #408, 673A, J18, J22, etc. Condition is F-VF and generally fresh. 2013 Scott \$1758. NET \$375

242 ITALY – Powerhouse all mint collection of over 1000 stamps in mounts from 1879-1970 (with additional empty pages up to 1993), housed in a Scott specialty album in F-VF condition. Highlights include #92, 114, 124-5, 248-256, 258-264, 268-279, 280-9, 290-305, 324-8, 331-341, 345-8, 349-354, 359-366, 367-376, 377-386, 400-9, B17-19, C3-9, C10-11, C42-7, C62-5, C79-83, C89-94, C95-C99, etc. A very high quality collection! 2015 Scott \$7740. NET \$2295

243 ITALY – Powerful mint and used collection from 1863-1974 in a Scott specialty album in F-VF condition. Highlights include used #33, 49, 64-6, 115-116, 117-18, B1-3, C98, C100-5, O1-6 and mint #37, 39, 42, 79, 85, 92, 94 pair, 111, 119-122, 171-4, 248-256, 258-264, 280-9, 290-305, 331-341, 345-8, 349-354, 359-366, 367-376, 377-386, 518, 538-9, B17-19, C42-7, C89-94, D1-8, D9-14, J11, J25, J26, J7, 08, etc. Obviously, a very worthwhile collection. 2013 Scott \$18,355. NET \$3450

244 ITALY – Mint (25%) and used (75%) collection from 1863-1957 with pages to 1968 in a Lighthouse album. There are a few hundred stamps in F-VF condition with 80% completeness to 1944 but only 20% complete from 1945-1957. Highlights include mint #115-116, 258-264, 268-279, 349-354 NH, 400-9, B17-19, B39-42 NH, C23-6, C89-4, C95-9 NH and used #208, 210, 310-314, 324-8, 518, 538-9, B4, C32, C56-61, C79-83, etc. 2013 Scott \$7458. NET \$1375

245 ITALIAN OFFICES ABROAD – Mint collection of around 200 stamps from 1874-1932 on Quadrilled pages in generally F-VF condition. Will give one a start in a popular area. Includes most of the Ferrucci sets. 2015 Scott \$903. NET \$375

246 ITALIAN SOMALILAND – Around 130 mostly mint collection from 1903-1960 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include #104-110, 156-163, E41, etc. 2013 Scott \$1004. NET \$375

247 ITALIAN STATES – SARDINIA – Six used and 2 mint stamps from 1851-1863 on an ancient album page in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include used #2, 8, 9, etc. 2013 Scott \$3945. NET \$695

248 ITALIAN STATES – SARDINIA – Used classical collection of 13 stamps from 1851-1863 on a Scott specialty page in generally F-VF condition. Highlights in-

clude used #2, 2a, 5, 6, 7, 9, 14, etc. 2013 Scott \$6059. NET \$995

249 JAPAN – Beautiful mint never hinged collection from 1993-2012 on White Ace pages in seven White Ace binders. The former collector used White Ace blank pages from 2008 forward. This is a highly complete collection. Face value alone is 294,543 Yen = \$2685 US. A rare opportunity to obtain modern material from this very popular area. NET \$2995

250 JAPAN – Highly desirable collection of over 1500 mint (85%) and used (15%) stamps from 1894-1993 in four White Ace albums in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #167-170, 190-3, 198-201, 318a, 407, 422, 439-442, 463a, 517 NH, 519a NH, etc. 2015 Scott \$4007. NET \$1375

251 JAPAN – AIRMAILS – Nice mint and used Airmail collection from 1929-1953 in mounts on album pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #C3-7, C19-24, etc. 2014 Scott \$740. NET \$250

252 KOREA – Incredible mostly mint classical collection from 1884-1903 with varieties in nice condition. This high quality collection was formed by a highly knowledgeable collector well over 50 years ago who carefully identified each stamp and placed the catalogue number next to each stamp. This is a highly complete collection. Highlights include mint #8, 10, 106, 11-17, most of the perf 10 1901 set, 26, 27, 31 VF cat. \$600, 32 VF cat. \$1200, 33 VF cat. \$1750. Then 35-8 with uncounted varieties, and finally the complete Falcon set 39-50 mint (cat. \$1025) and #51 used. 2013 Scott \$7184. By far the best Korea classical collection we have ever offered. NET \$4095

253 SOUTH KOREA – SOUVENIR SHEETS – Highly desirable collection of over 400 mint and a few used souvenir sheets from 1959-1987 in a Minkus album in generally VF condition. The mint is 99.9% NH. MNH highlights include #293a, 296a, 298-301a, 355a, 663a, 728a, 797a, 802a, 844a. 2014 Scott \$3052. NET \$1295

254 LATVIA – Over 200 mint and used stamps from 1918-1940 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #CB3-5, CB3-5a, CB6-8, CB8-8a, CB18-20, CB18a-20a, etc. 2015 Scott \$804. NET \$325

255 LATVIA – Highly desirable mint (75%) and used (25%) collection of a few hundred stamps from 1918-2000 on mounts on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #70-80, 176-188, C21-31, etc. 2015 Scott \$1802. NET \$895

256 LIECHTENSTEIN – Two Davo albums with around 600 F-VF stamps running from 1912-1986. The collection is mint and used to about 1960 then all mint thereafter. Highlights include mint #151 NH, and used #1, 2, 3, etc. 2015 Scott \$696. NET \$1975

257 LIECHTENSTEIN – Mint and used collection of around 1200 stamps from 1917-2010 on Minkus pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #52, 69, and used #147, etc. 2014 Scott \$2320. NET \$575

258 LITHUANIA – A few hundred mint and used stamps from 1918-2001 in mounts housed in a Scott specialty album in F-VF condition. Highlights include used #1-2, 3-8 and mint #176-188, C21-31, etc. 2015 Scott \$1379. NET \$595

259 LITHUANIA – Highly desirable collection of around 275 mint and used stamps from 1918-1940 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #70-80, 176-188, C21-31, etc. 2015 Scott \$842. NET \$350

260 LUXEMBOURG – Several hundred mint and used stamps from 1852-1976 on Scott specialty pages. Condition is a bit mixed on earlies, then is F-VF thereafter. Highlights include used #1-2, 11, 12, 15, 24, 032, 074 and mint #110, 073, 079 and MNH sets such as #318-320 (Europa!), 329-331, B86-91, etc. 2014 Scott \$3550. NET \$795

261 LUXEMBOURG – Powerful comprehensive pre 1900 used collection of 80 well identified stamps on ancient pages in a bit mixed but generally F-VF condition (better than usually found). Highlights include #1, 2, 5, 8, 10, 11, 13, 25, 013-5, 017, etc. 2013 Scott \$3355. NET \$575

262 LUXEMBOURG – Mint and used collection of around 450 stamps from 1859-1971 in a Scott specialty album. Contains the occasional mixed but generally F-VF condition. Better material includes mint #329-331, B60-B65, B67-B72 and used #92, 242-245, B40-B44, C16-C20, etc. 2015 Scott \$1060. NET \$240

263 MACAO – Highly desirable collection of around 400 mint and used stamps from 1884-1981 on Scott specialty pages in nearly all F-VF condition. Highlights include used #24-8 and mint #62, 383-90, 394-9, 404-11, the 1976 unissued Macao Diocese NH, J12-22, etc. 2015 Scott \$4223. NET \$1695

264 MACAO – A highly desirable complete mint never hinged collection from 1982-1998 on Scott specialty pages in VF condition. MNH highlights include #463-6, 467-8, 482a, 547-50, 550a, 572, 577, 582a, 655a, etc. 2015 Scott \$2681. NET \$1850

265 MADEIRA – Mint and used collection from 1868-1928 on Scott specialty pages in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #3, 8 w/cert, 9, 11 and used #2 w/cert, 12, 13, 31, etc. 2015 Scott \$2197. NET \$750

266 MANCHUKUO – Highly desirable complete mint and used collection in mounts from 1932-1945 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #19-22, 32-5, 59 NH, 108, and used #23-31, etc. 2015 Scott \$1196. NET \$650

267 MANCHUKUO – An absolutely complete mint OG LH collection from #1 through the year 1945 minus only one stamp (#30) on Scott specialty pages. Everything is in excellent very fresh condition. This is a rarely offered superb highly desirable collection. NET \$995

268 MAURITANIA – Nice collection of around 165 mint (90%) and used (10%)

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stamps from 1906-1961 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition. Will give one a good start in this area. 2014 Scott \$432. NET \$150

269 MEMEL – Highly desirable mint (90%) and used (10%) collection of around 200 stamps from 1920-1923 on Scott specialty pages in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include used #33 and mint #N31-43, N44-50, etc. 2015 Scott \$860. NET \$375

270 MICRONESIA – Mint collection in mounts on Minkus pages in generally VF condition of around 350 stamps including much never hinged. Face value alone is \$229. You may have this collection for only: NET \$195

271 MONACO – Around 290 cached First Day covers in F-VF condition from 1960-1986. The FDC's are all unaddressed from 1970-1986. Highlights include Michel #1021, 1114-1115 S/S, 1273-4 S/S, etc. 2006 Michel 1110 Euros = \$1402. US. NET \$325

272 MOZAMBIQUE – A few hundred mint and used stamps from 1872-1974 in mounts on Scott specialty pages in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include used #23A, 45, P2 and unused #10, 36-44, and mint #364-383, etc. 2015 Scott \$1936. NET \$675

273 MOZAMBIQUE COMPANY – Over 180 mint and used stamps from 1892-1941 in mounts on Scott specialty pages in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #B5, B6, B7, etc. 2015 Scott \$669. NET \$295

274 NETHERLANDS – Nice collection of around 300 mint stamps from 1876-1994 on Scott album pages in generally F-VF condition. Includes minor duplication that is not counted or included in the catalogue value as a gift. Highlights include #B214-18, J22, J23, J24, J26, etc. 2014 Scott \$943. NET \$275

275 NETHERLANDS – Several hundred mint and used stamps on black vario pages in generally F-VF condition from 1852-2001. Highlights include #138 NH, 159, 369, B51-71, B90-122, B219-258, B276-352, and used 06, etc. 2013 Scott \$2602. NET \$550

276 NETHERLANDS – Around 1100 mint and used stamps from 1852-1975 in a Scott specialty album in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include used #1-3, 11, 17-22, C13-14, J12 and mint #336-9, B10a, B118-122 NH, B144, B145, etc. 2014 Scott \$3982. NET \$895

277 NETHERLANDS – Fabulous mint and used collection from 1852-1942 in a Davo hingeless album in generally F-VF condition (far better quality than normally seen). The collection is mainly used to 1906, then is nearly all mint thereafter including substantial amounts of NH. Highlights include used #1 pair, 1 pair, 2 strip of 3, pair 20, 33, 50, J27, and mint #49, 99, 104, 105 NH signed, 107-9 NH, 124-134 NH, 137-9, 158 NH, 195 NH, 201, 226-243 NH, 278-281, 284-9 NH, B54-7, B66-9 NH, B73-6, B77-80 NH, B82-5 NH, J29-41, 08 NH, etc. Simply delightful! 2015 Scott \$8508. NET \$2895

278 NETHERLANDS AND COLONIES – Mint and used collection of several hundred stamps from 1949-55 on Scott pages. Highlights include Netherlands #C13-14 used and Surinam B49-52 mint. 2013 Scott \$1215. NET \$275

279 NETHERLANDS AND ALL COLONIES – An excellent condition Scott specialty album with like new pages from 1981-2000 with a few hundred inexpensive used stamps. NET \$125

280 NETHERLANDS – FIRST DAY COVERS – Fabulous collection of 83 cached addressed First Day covers from 1950-1967 in a First Day cover album in generally very nice condition. Lots of highlights such as Michel #552-7 (cat. 1200 euros), 558-62, 563-4, 565-9, 570-4, 583-6, 587, 588-592, 593-6, 601-5, 607-611, 636-640, etc. 2006 Michel: 4222 euros = \$5293 US. NET \$1295

281 NETHERLANDS – MNH SYNCOPATED PERFS – Highly desirable mint never hinged syncopated perf collection complete from 1925-1933 except for the rare #174c, which is not present. Condition is F-VF. Extremely difficult material to come by! MNH highlights include #142a-160a NH, 164a-193a NH, 164b-192b NH, 168b-191a NH, B9a-11a NH, B58a-61a NH, etc. Order quickly on this one as we probably won't get another for many years. 2015 Scott \$2888. NET \$2295

282 NEW CALEDONIA – 90% complete mint collection including much NH from 1953-1986 on Lindner hingeless pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include #296-9 NH, 383-6, C73-6, C58-60 NH, 01-13, etc. 2014 Scott \$974. NET \$425

283 NICARAGUA – Around 1100 mint and used stamps from 1862-1976 in generally F-VF condition housed in a Scott specialty album. Highlights include mint #10, 76, 89F, 98H, 102, 090, 098, 0115, etc. Also includes uncounted duplicates as a gift. 2015 Scott \$1385. NET \$350

284 NORWAY – Around 250 mint stamps from 1940-1966 on Scott pages in F-VF condition. Highlights include #275-8, 310-317, 340-2, 345-352, 360-9, 370-4, B1-3, B24, etc. 2014 Scott \$1276. NET \$350

285 NORWAY – Mainly used with a bit of mint collection of around 850 stamps from 1856-1995 in a Scott specialty album in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #118, 212, 014 and used #11, 24a, 24b, 33-6, 106, 109, B10, etc. 2014 Scott \$1963. NET \$450

286 NYASSA – 138 different mint and used stamps in mounts on Scott specialty pages from 1897-1925 in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include used #47-8 and unused #64, 65, and mint #45, 63, etc. 2015 Scott \$925. NET \$325

287 PALAU – Mint collection of around 450 stamps on almost all Minkus pages in mounts from 1983-1996 in generally VF condition. Includes much NH. Face value alone is \$413. You may have this collection for only: NET \$375

288 PHILIPPINES – Over 900 mint (80%) and used (20%) stamps from 1946-1985 in generally VF condition. The pages are a bit ragged, having sustained some water damage which affected some of the stamps on the lower part of some pages (obviously not counted). However, there is still much better material being all MHN from 1975 forward. Highlights include mint #1690, 1710, etc. 2014 Scott \$1077. NET \$275

289 POLAND – Around 225 mint and used stamps from 1919-1939 in mounts on Scott specialty pages in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #251 with certificate (light wrinkles at bottom of souvenir sheet), 280-1, B11-14, B15-25, B31, etc. 2015 Scott \$1140. NET \$275

290 PORTUGUESE CONGO – 133 different mint and used stamps from 1894-1915 on Scott specialty pages in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #99-114, 122, 123, etc. 2015 Scott \$453. NET \$175

291 PORTUGUESE GUINEA – A couple hundred almost all mint stamps from 1881-1973 on Scott specialty pages in a little mixed but generally F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #22-31, 67-76, 193-4, etc. 2015 Scott \$1425. NET \$525

292 ROMANIA – Very nice mint (75%) and used (25%) collection of several hundred stamps from 1862-1941 on Scott specialty pages in mainly F-VF condition. Lots of highlights such as used #9, 10, 18 signed, 21, 23, 172 and mint #19, 25a, 26-7, 36, 37, 113-116, 186-195, 196-206, 230-9, 369-379 imperf, 396-9, 413, B31-6, B44-9, etc. Probably the best Romania collection we've ever offered! 2015 Scott \$6737. NET \$1995

293 RUSSIA – Over 90% used collection of a few thousand stamps in two Minkus albums from 1858-1983 in generally F-VF condition. Too much work to catalogue so here are some of the highlights. Mint #1550-1 and used #489-509, 678-686, 852-5, 1230-3, 1261-4, C40-4, C49-59, etc. Should be reasonable at: NET \$775

294 RUSSIA – Mint OG never hinged collection of many, many hundreds of stamps in three Scott specialty albums in excellent condition covering the 1958-1991 time period. The albums are some 85% complete. NET \$495

295 RUSSIA – Mint and used collection on specialized album pages from 1866-1992 in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #1265-7, 1280-3, 1302-3, 1310-17, 1343-7, 1364-5, 1388-9, 1403, 1443-4, 1497-9, 1541, 1542-4, 1548-9, 1550-1, 1568-83, 1584-5, 1596-7, 1598-1602, 1605-9, 1624-7, 1680-7, etc. 2014 Scott \$6275. NET \$2195

296 RUSSIA – Two Scott specialty albums in nice condition with pages to 1979. The pages contain about 1500-2000 used affordable stamps in mounts. Album pages and stamps are in very nice condition. Loads of stamps and S/S for: NET \$225

297 RUSSIA – Well over 90% complete mostly used collection from 1858-1974 in two Scott specialty albums in nearly all F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #6, 54, 794-810, 859, 1280-3, 1302-3, 1343-7, 1364-5, 1464-8, 1508-9 and used #438-454, 456-550, 551-4, 559-568, 857-8, C58-67, etc. Also includes starter OF-2015 Scott \$8631. NET \$12495

298 RUSSIA – Mint and mostly used collection of many hundreds of stamps from 1865-1955 on Scott International pages in mainly F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #12, 25, 548, 590-5, 647-658, 659-665, 706-712, 749-756, 852-5, 859, 1230-3, 1302-3, 1443-4 NH, 1680-7 and used #559-568, C1, 857-8, 1508-9, etc. 2015 Scott \$5312. NET \$1295

299 RYUKYU ISLANDS – Mint never hinged collection from 1948-1963 of 153 different stamps on stockpages in generally F-VF condition. MHN highlights include #8-13, 14, 15, 19-26, C1-3, C9-13, etc. 2015 Scott \$786. NET \$350

300 SAAR – Around 100 mostly mint stamps from 1941-1955 on Scott pages in F-VF condition. Includes mint C12, etc. 2014 Scott \$539. NET \$175

301 SAN MARINO – A highly desirable 99% mint never hinged collection of around 725 stamps from 1924-1999 in mounts housed in two Minkus albums in F-VF condition. MNH highlights include #161-7, 184, 186-7, 239, (260-5, C52-3), 305-7, 336-344, 375-84, 411, C82-7, etc. 2015 Scott \$1855. NET \$895

302 SAN MARINO – Around 450 mint stamps (1 used) from 1917-1969 on mostly Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition housed in a very old J and H Stolow auction folder. Highlights include mint #291, 305-7 NH, 308-19 NH, 490 NH, B2, etc. 2014 Scott \$987. NET \$325

303 SAUDI ARABIA – Several hundred mint and used stamps from 1925-1981 on Scott specialty pages in F-VF condition with the vast majority of value being in mint stamps. Highlights include mint #10, 16, 22-5, 30, 31, 32-3, 34 signed, 59 signed, 60 signed, 63 signed, 69-74, 92-7, 98-105, 173-6, 180-4, 187-191, J1-3, etc. 2015 Scott \$5977. NET \$1450

304 SAUDI ARABIA – Mint material on dealer stockcards from #621-789 in F-VF condition. 2015 Scott \$677. NET \$195

305 SAUDI ARABIA – HEJAZ – Around 150 mint and used stamps on Scott specialty pages from 1916-1925 in F-VF condition. Highlights include used #L117, L121, L129, L130, and mint #L14, L90, L135, L147-8, L156-9, LJ26-34, etc. 2015 Scott \$2655. NET \$625

306 ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON – Mint and used classic collection of around 85 stamps from 1885-1927 on ancient album pages in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include used #1, 2, 6, 11, 15, 30, 44, 55, signed 75, 77 and mint #68, 103, 130, 131, etc. 2014 Scott \$1113. NET \$375

307 SCANDINAVIA – 90% used collection of over 2000 stamps from 1851 to around 1960 in a Minkus album in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include Denmark used #5, 8, 12, 14, 15, 17-34, 68, 212, 023, Q3-5, and mint #110, 136, 152, 155, C1-3; Norway used #3, 9, 11, 13, 20, 21, 33, 38a, B2, B2, J12 and mint #B3, B24, 340-2; Sweden used #2, 10, 11, 12, 20, 24, 26, 27, 47, 165, J1, J2, J7, J11, O2, 05; Finland used #23, etc. Also includes insignificant collections of Greenland, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and Central Lithuania that have not been counted in cat value as a gift. 2014 Scott \$10,679. NET \$2095

308 SERBIA – Over 150 mint and used stamps from 1866-1920 in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include used #6 signed and mint #11, 14-15 unused, P1-11, 1N22-42, etc. 2015 Scott \$974. NET \$350

309 SERBIA – Strong mint collection of some 160 stamps in generally F-VF condition. Includes 2NB5-6, 2NB27-8, 2NC1-15. Rarely offered. 2013 Scott \$616. NET \$275

310 SHANGHAI – Highly desirable mint and used collection of over 100 stamps from 1865-1896 on Scott specialty pages in generally F-VF condition. Highlights include unused #19, 21, 24, 32 and mint #31, 89-91, and used #121, etc. 2015 Scott \$4287. NET \$1895

311 SLOVAKIA – Nearly complete mint collection in mounts from 1939-2000 in generally VF condition. Highlights include mint #2-23, J1-12, J13-23, etc. 2015 Scott \$786. NET \$325

312 SLOVAKIA/SLOVENIA – Mint collections from 1991-2003 on Quadrilled pages in mostly VF condition. There are around 350 stamps. 2014 Scott \$369. NET \$110

313 SOMALIA – Collection of 305 mint (80%) and used (20%) stamps from 1950-73 on Scott specialty pages in -VF condition. Highlights include mint #256-64 and used #C25, C26, C27, etc. Very nice and desirable. 2013 Scott \$848. NET \$295

314 SOUTH AMERICA – Strong mint and used collection from 1949-1955 on

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315 SPAIN – Over 90% mint collection (10% used) in a Scott specialty album from 1876-1986 in generally F-VF condition. Appears to be all NH from 1963-1986. Not a whole lot of value here though the collection does contain over 1000 stamps. A good collection to build upon. NET \$150

316 SURINAM – Mint collection of a few hundred stamps from 1873-1972 in a Davo hingeless album in F-VF condition. Highlights include mint #10, 23c, 25-30, 32 w/cert, 36-8, 61a, 62a, 63-7, 74-108, 142-163 NH, 184-207, B48-52 NH, etc. 2015 Scott \$3176. NET \$1295

317 SWEDEN – Mint and used collection of around 600 stamps from 1855-1974 in a Scott specialty album in F-VF condition. Contains lots of useful issues and some better such as #167-175, 177-188, etc. 2014 Scott \$1572. NET \$350

318 SWEDEN – Fabulous mint and used collection in a Scott specialty album from 1855-1970 in which there are huge numbers of scarce and rare stamps. Appears to be missing only about a dozen rare stamps to be absolutely complete including BOB. This is an extraordinary specialized collection in which there is often both a mint and used copy of stamps including very high catalogue stamps. There are often several of the same stamp including expensive classics due to the collection having shade varieties. To give an impression used includes #2@, 4a, 5, 6-16, 197-212, 213-8, B1-3c mint or used or both, LX1-2, J1-22 mint or used or both – same with O1-027. Mint includes 10a, 15, 38, etc. etc. Astronomical catalogue value would take hours and hours to catalogue. Condition of classics is of course a bit mixed, thereafter F-VF. We guess this will be extremely inexpensive. The wise collector or dealer should grab this powerhouse quickly. NET \$3695

319 SWITZERLAND – Nice used collection of around 680 stamps from 1854-1963 in a beautiful Palau album in generally F-VF condition. Many highlights including #27, 28, 37, 38, 46, 55a, 84, 84b, 86, 88a, 96, 97a, 100, 173a, B4-6, B10-11, B21-24, B25-28, B81-84, B146-49, C16-18, etc. 2014 Scott \$2939. NET \$695

320 SWITZERLAND – Mint and used collection of around 1000 stamps in a Muller album from 1854-1970 in mainly F-VF condition. Lots of highlights such as mint #110, 152a, 160a, 172a, 242, 352a, 376, 377, B2a, B80, B144 NH, B178 NH, B206, B229a NH, C1, C2, C14, and used #16, 19, 46, 47, 55, 59, 65, 122, 125, 246, B3, B6, B80, B84, etc. 2015 Scott \$5989. NET \$1425

321 SWITZERLAND – Fabulous collection of around 1500 stamps mint (90%) and used (10%) from 1851-2004 on Schaubek hingeless pages housed in three like-new Scott binders. The condition is generally VF with the earlies a bit mixed as usual. There is moderate duplication throughout (including some of the more valuable early stamps) which were not counted or included in the catalogue value, but included as a gift. Highlights include used #10, 12, 20, 37, 40, 47, 50, 85, 89, 92, 97a, 185, B4-6, B25-28, and mint #59, 76, 88b, 166, 182, 183, 184, 189, 200-03, 242, 246 NH, 352a NH, B3, B116, B297, C45 NH, etc. 2014 Scott \$6877. NET \$1695

322 TANNU TUVA – Highly desirable mint collection of 94 different stamps from 1926-1936 in F-VF condition on stockpages. Highlights include mint #1-10, 11-14, 15-28, 29-34, 31a, 39, 40, 41 w/cert, 120 strip of 5, etc. Very hard to come by! 2015 Scott \$3184. NET \$1895

323 THAILAND – Mint and used collection of over 925 stamps from 1887-2006 on Minkus pages in generally F-VF condition. The collection is nearly all used to 1984 then almost all mint thereafter. Highlights include mint #756a, 764-771, 777a, etc. 2015 Scott \$1242. NET \$425

324 TOGO – Mint (70%) and used (30%) collection of around 425 stamps from 1942-1975 on Scott specialty pages in VF condition. 2014 Scott \$262. NET \$89

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328 TURKEY – Ancient collection of some 350 mint and used stamps assembled and well identified in pencil by a highly knowledgeable collector. Stamps are in a bit mixed condition but the vast majority are F-VF. There is some duplication as the collector collected varieties and shades. Begins with used #5-6 then far too many stamps to catalogue that appear to mostly be of modest catalogue value. Should be inexpensive at: NET \$275

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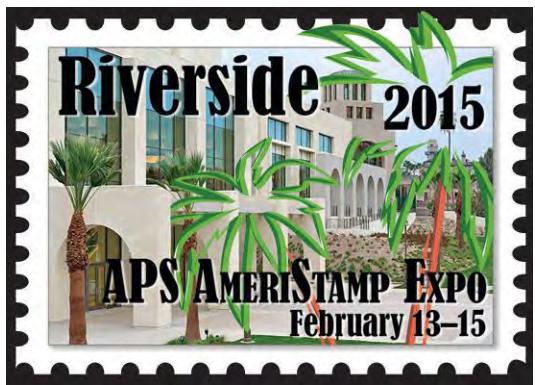
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Thursday • February 12

10 a.m.

- American Philatelic Society — Board Meeting Marriott Embassy

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10 a.m.

- Show Opens Exhibit Halls B, C, D
- Stamps In Your Attic! (8 hours) Booth 202
- StampBuddy Service (8 hours) Booth 400
- Harmer-Schau Auction Viewing (11 hours) Room 7 & 8

11 a.m.

- Preparing Postal History Exhibits — Official AAPE Seminar — *Mark Schwartz* Room 2
- Book Signing: *Every Stamp Tells a Story: The National Philatelic Collection* — *Cheryl Ganz* Lobby

Noon

- Mexican Wells Fargo Covers — *Bubba Bland* Room 1
- Making the UEEF Meaningful. A CANEJ Workshop for Collectors & Exhibitors on the Application of Judging Fundamentals — *Elizabeth Hisey & Kathy Johnson* (Official CANEJ Seminar, 1½ hours) Room 2

1 p.m.

- Auxiliary Markings Club Show & Tell — *Ralph Nafziger* Room 3

4 p.m.

- American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors Board Meeting (1½ hours) Room 3

6 p.m.

- Harmer-Schau Auction (5 hours) Room 7 & 8

6 p.m.

Show Closes

Saturday • February 14

9 a.m.

- American Philatelic Society — General & Town Hall Meeting (1½ hours) Room 4

10 a.m.

Show Opens Exhibit Halls B, C, D

- Stamps In Your Attic! (8 hours) Booth 202

- StampBuddy Services (8 hours) Booth 400

- Stamp Collecting Merit Badge: A Beginner Program for ALL Youth (6 hours) Youth Area

- Harmer-Schau Auction Viewing (11 hours) Room 7 & 8

- Society for Hungarian Philately Annual Meeting (2 hours) Room 5

11 a.m.

- Book Signing: *Every Stamp Tells a Story: The National Philatelic Collection* — *Cheryl Ganz* Lobby

Noon

- Exhibit Tour — *Ken Martin* Frame #1
- Updates from NY2016 Room 2

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United States Postal Service — First Day of Issue

— Vintage Rose & Tulip Room 4

Postal Strikes 1890-2014: Postal History — *Douglas Sandler*

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1 p.m.

- American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors General Meeting (1½ hours) Room 2

Deck Cards . . . My Deal — *Michael Moticha*

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Judges Roundtable — *David McNamee*

Room 1

2 p.m.

- American First Day Cover Society/ Claude C. Ries Chapter #48 General Meeting Room 3

3 p.m.

- Judges Feedback Forum — *Ed Andrews* (2 hours) Room 1

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- Canal Zone Study Group — Group Meeting

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6:15 p.m.

- Awards Banquet Reception (Ticket Required) Marriott Grand Ballroom

7 p.m.

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Sunday • February 15

10 a.m.

- **Show Opens Exhibit Halls B, C, D**
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- StampBuddy Service (6 hours) Booth 400

• Harmer-Schau Auction

Viewing (6 hours) Room 7 & 8

- Harmer-Schau Auction Session (6 hours) Room 7 & 8

11 a.m.

- Book Signing: *Every Stamp Tells a Story: The National Philatelic Collection* — Cheryl Ganz Lobby
- Exhibit & Presentation Techniques: A Walking Tour of Noteworthy Examples, Exhibit Floor Frame #1
- Peru Philatelic Study Circle Annual Meeting Room 2
- Young Stamp Collectors of America Youth Area

Noon

- Southern California Chapter of the International Society for Japanese Philately Meeting (2 hours) Room 3
- Exhibit Tour — Ken Martin Frame #1

12:30 p.m.

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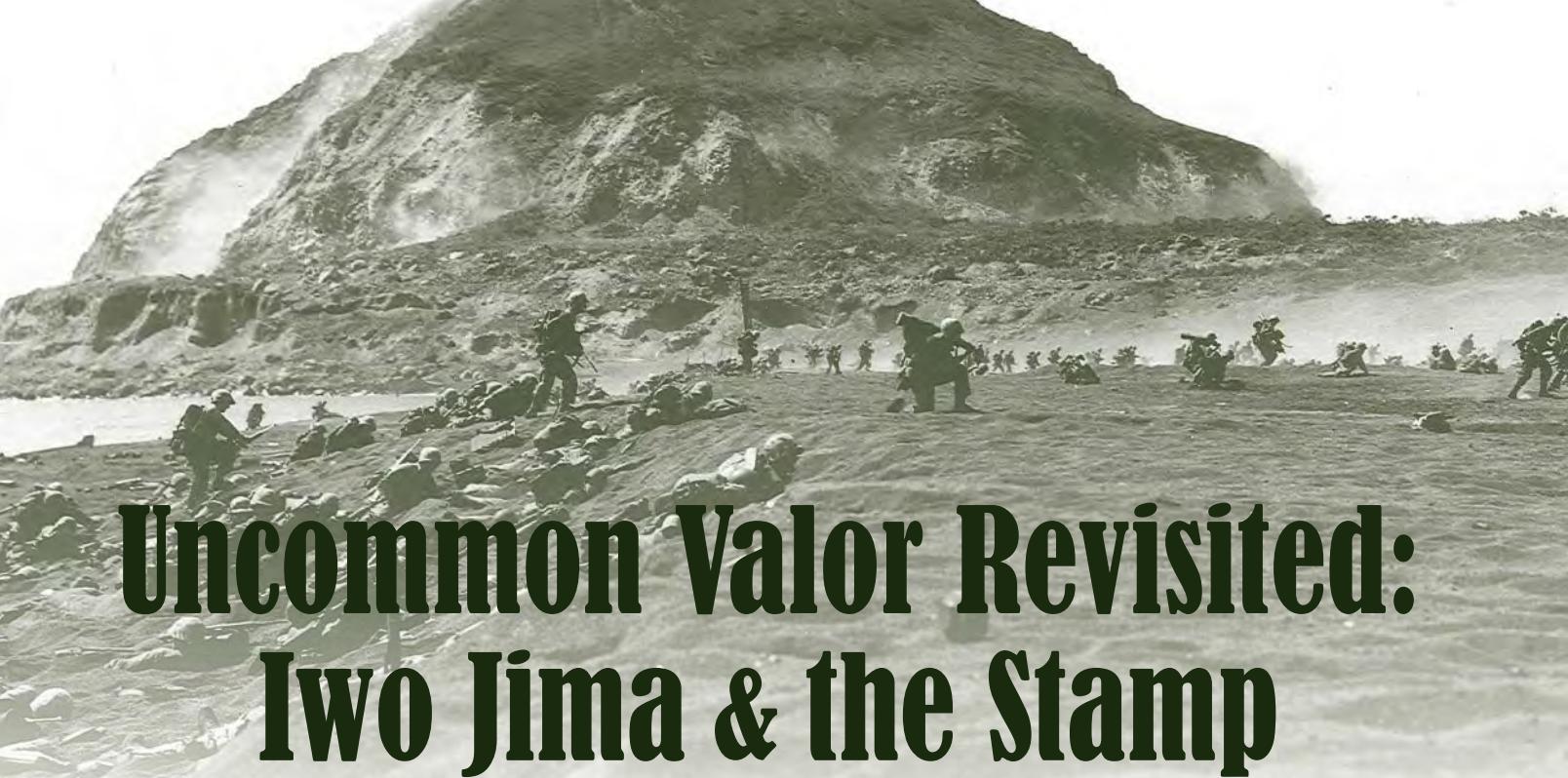
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Uncommon Valor Revisited: Iwo Jima & the Stamp

by Ted Bahry, Major USMC Ret.

[Editor's note: This is an updated and expanded version of an article that appeared in the February 1995 issue of *The American Philatelist*.]

This month marks the seventieth anniversary of the most famous combat photograph of all time: the Marines raising Old Glory atop Mount Suribachi, Iwo Jima. That photograph, taken by Associated Press civilian combat photojournalist Joe Rosenthal, electrified the country and resulted in the issuance of a postage stamp (Scott 929) just five months later.

Rosenthal's photograph also inspired philatelic cachet makers to produce many patriotic and first day of issue covers, some of which are shown on these pages. It is important for readers to understand that it was and is common practice to put cachets on covers *after* they are postmarked.

No event in Marine Corps history has led to so many myths, rumors, and unsubstantiated "stories" as that now famous second flag-raising on Mount Suribachi on February 23, 1945. The facts about the Suribachi flag raisings were first documented by eye witness reports from survivors, coupled with combat movie film and photographs taken at the time. The essential facts have been the same for seventy years, despite many stories to the contrary.

To understand the events leading to

the issuance of the postage stamp, it is first necessary to summarize the war in the Pacific and the assault on Iwo Jima.

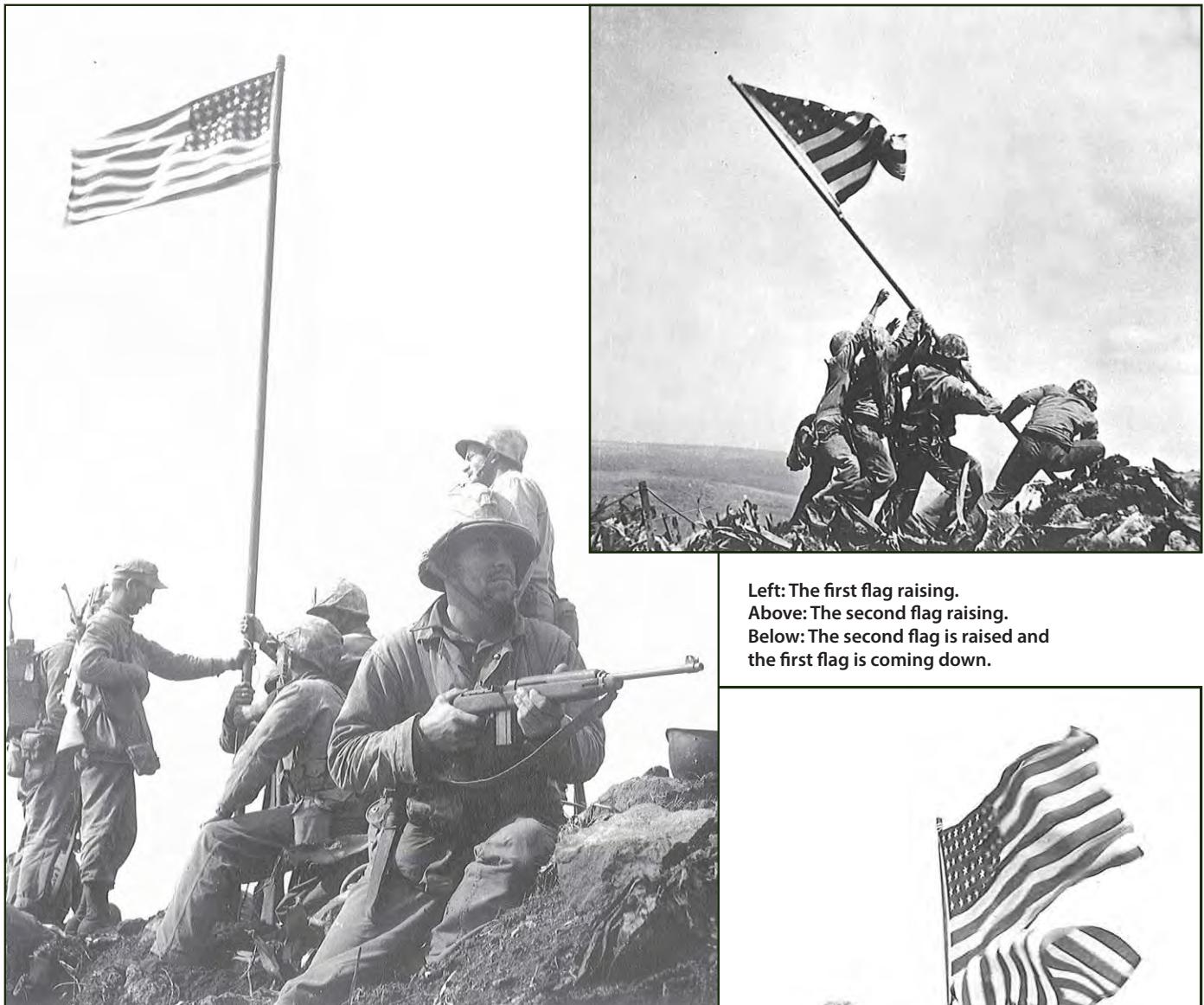
War in the Pacific

America was shocked by the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941. After fighting on the defensive at such places as Wake Island (December 8–23, 1941) and Midway (June 4–7, 1942) the U.S. Marines went on the offensive. In an island-hopping campaign across the central Pacific toward Japan, the Marines conducted bloody but successful amphibious assaults against many enemy-held islands including Guadalcanal (August 7, 1942–February 9, 1943), Tarawa (November 20–23, 1943), and Peleliu (September–November 1944).

By the beginning of 1945, the campaign focused on Iwo Jima, a well-fortified, eight-square-mile volcanic island some 700 miles south of Tokyo. Iwo Jima would provide a base for U.S. fighter planes escorting B-29 bombers on raids to Japan while serving as a sanctuary for many crippled bombers returning from those long flights.

The 4th and 5th Marine Divisions began the amphibious assault on Iwo Jima on February 19, 1945. The 3rd Marine Division, in reserve, soon was committed due to the tremendous losses the assault forces took attempting to dislodge 20,000 well-dug-in Japanese troops. Fighting was vicious, with some Marine units suffering ninety percent casualties. Overlooking the entire bat-





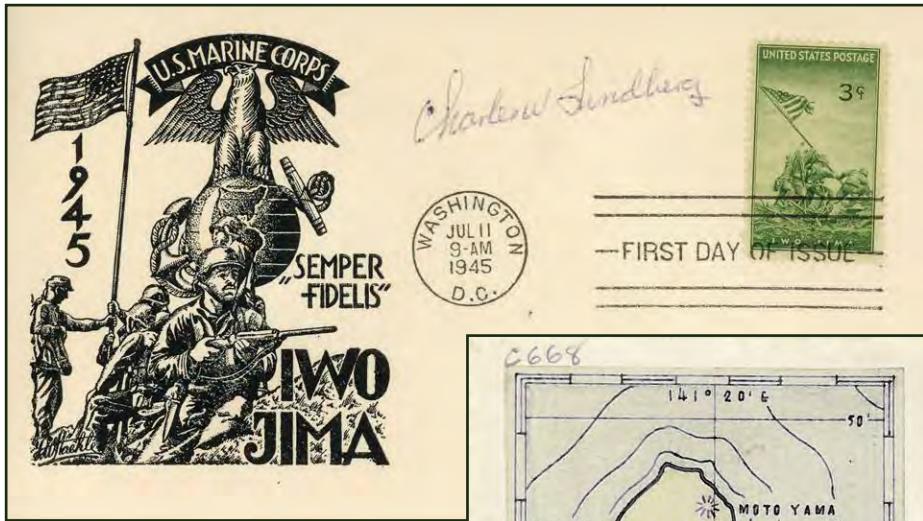
Left: The first flag raising.
Above: The second flag raising.
Below: The second flag is raised and
the first flag is coming down.

tle from the southern end of the island was 550-foot-high Mount Suribachi — a giant, inactive volcano honeycombed with enemy positions. On February 23, the order went out to the Marines: take Suribachi!

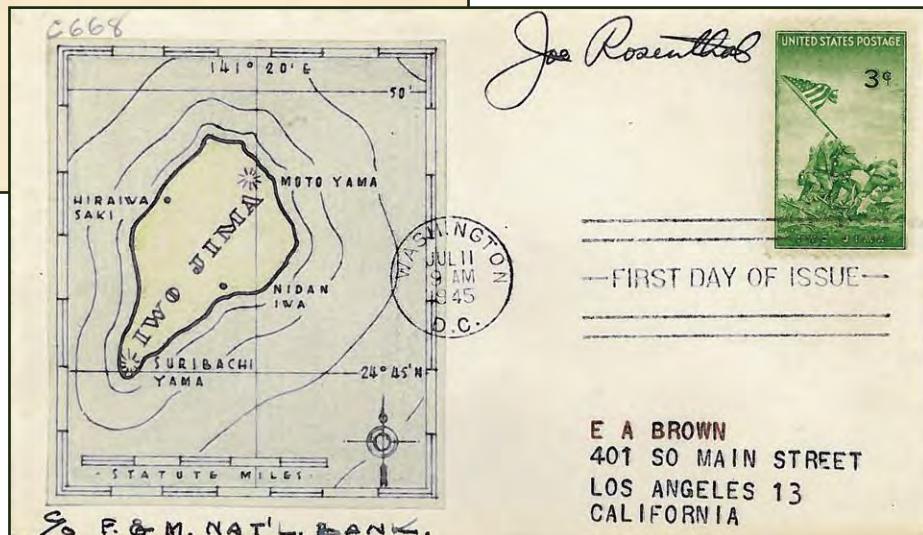
First Flag-Raising

After receiving surprising reports that there was no apparent enemy activity atop Suribachi, a forty-man patrol from the 2nd Battalion, 28th Marine Regiment headed up. Most of those Marines, exhausted by four days and nights of hard combat, didn't think they'd survive to make it back down the mountain. One of the men in the patrol carried a small American flag tucked in his jacket. He was told to raise it if they made it to the top. Accompanying the patrol was Staff Sergeant Louis Lowery, a USMC com-

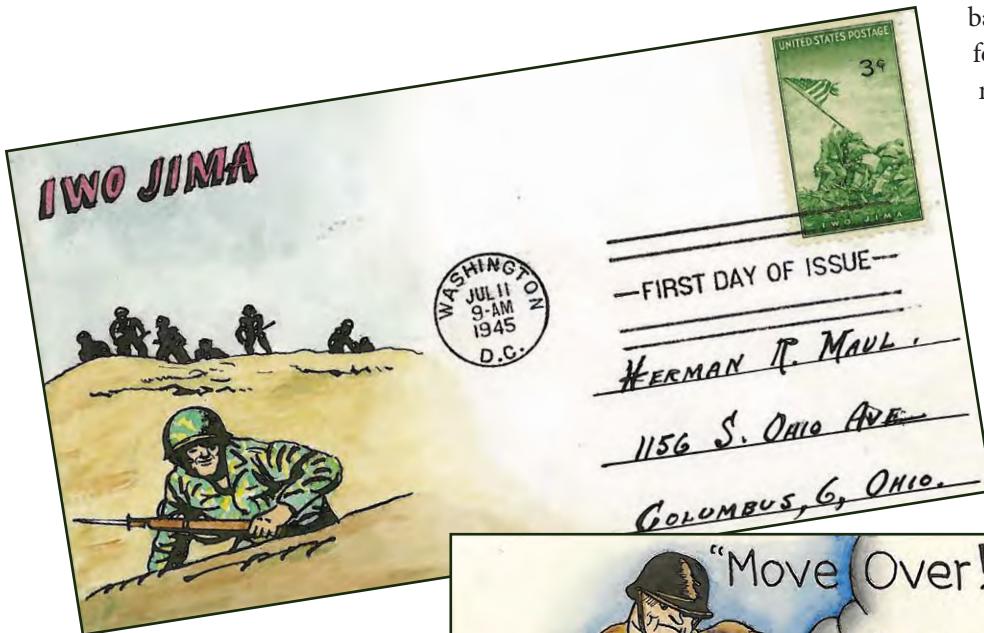




Cachet of the first flag raising on Iwo Jima signed by Charles Lindberg, survivor.

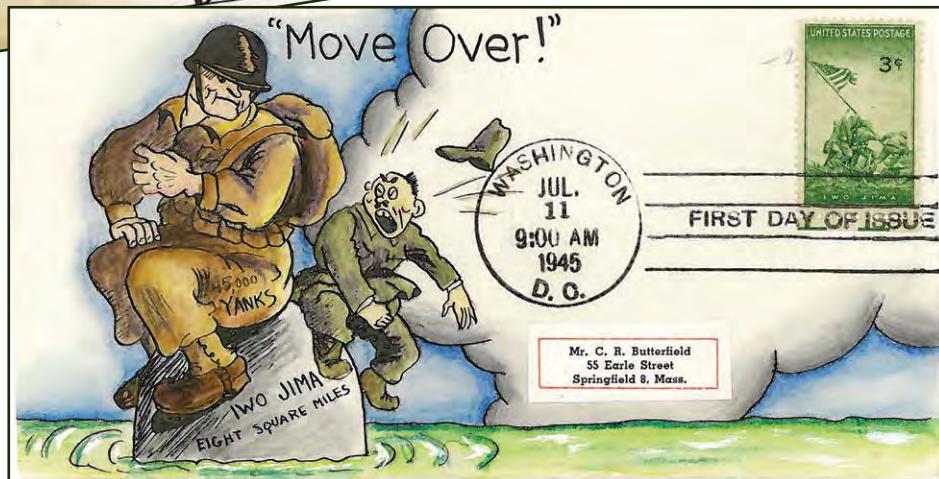


Handmade cachet with a map of Iwo Jima autographed by photographer Joe Rosenthal.



Hand-painted cachet of the Marines on Iwo.

Another hand-painted cachet telling the Japanese soldiers on Iwo Jima to "Move Over."



bat photographer and correspondent for *Leatherneck* magazine. He took many pictures while the patrol headed up, nakedly exposed to all who could see the bare mountainside.

Surprised to find no initial enemy resistance at the volcano's crest, the Marines lashed the flag to a long pipe they found in the debris and raised the flag at about 10:15 a.m. Lowery took a photograph of the event, along with many other photographs of the pa-

trol's actions. Because it was taken for a monthly magazine, his photograph of that first flag raising was not publicized until after the now more famous Rosenthal image appeared.¹

"There goes the flag," said men fighting for their lives on the rugged plains of Iwo Jima. Ship whistles went off and morale momentarily soared. But there still was a lot of horrible fighting and dying to come.

Second Flag-Raising

A short while later, Lt. Col. Chandler Johnson, the battalion commander of the Marines who had raised that first flag decided to replace it with another one. Why? The Secretary of Navy was coming ashore and the word went out that he wanted that flag. Lt. Col. Johnson (later killed in action on Iwo) had other ideas. He sent a runner down to the beach to get another flag so his unit could keep the first one they had raised. As an afterthought, as the runner was leaving for the beach, the battalion commander yelled out to him to try to get a *bigger* flag. Later a second larger flag, obtained from the ship *LST 799*, was sent along with another patrol heading up Suribachi.

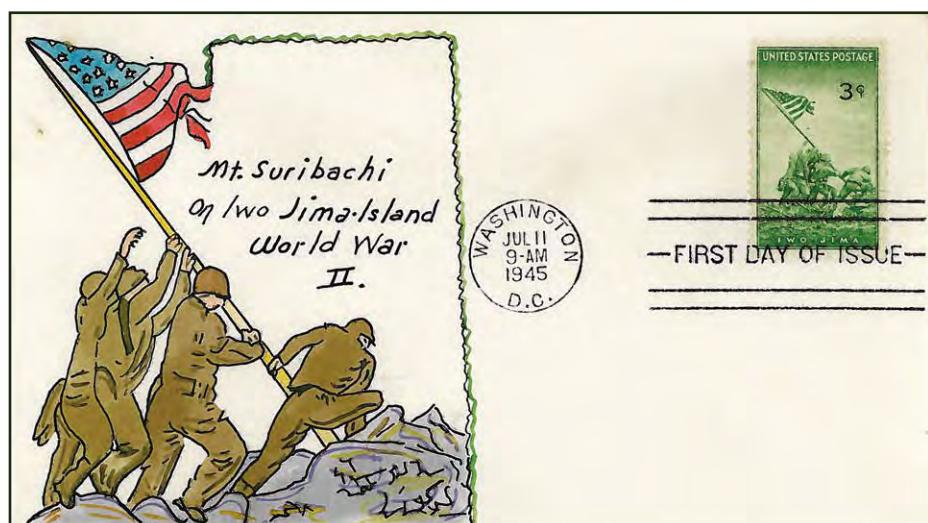
Covering his sixth combat landing, the Associated Press's Joseph John Rosenthal went up the mountain shortly afterward, accompanied by a couple of armed combat photographers. Rosenthal was 33 years old, thin, 5'5" tall, near-sighted, and unarmed. He had no idea the second flag had gone ahead of him.

When the Marines carrying the second flag reached Suribachi's summit, the officer there said the first flag was not coming down until the second one was up. So several Marines then started to prepare to raise the second flag, looking around in the debris for another pole.

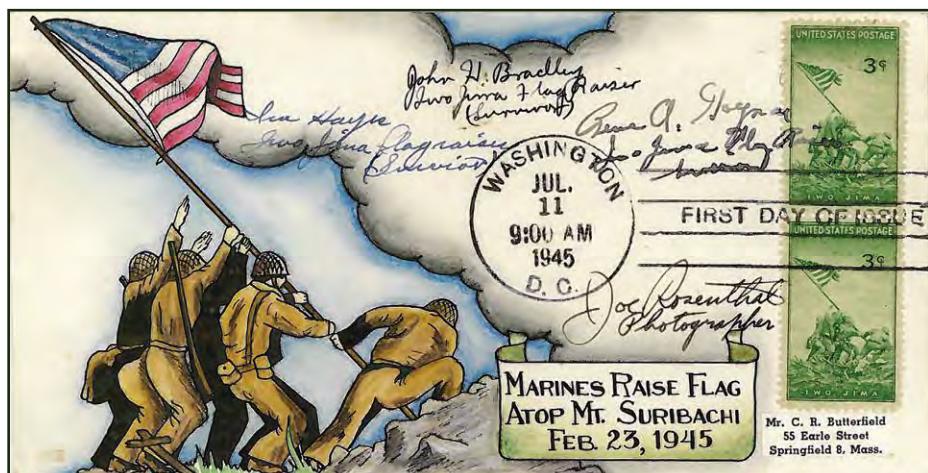
Soon after, Rosenthal arrived. He gathered up some rocks and debris to stand on to get an advantageous po-



Cachet of the second flag raising.



Hand-painted cachet of the second flag raising.



Flag-raising survivors John H. Bradley, Ira Hayes, and Rene A Gagnon, as well as photographer Joe Rosenthal signed this hand-painted cachet of the second flag raising.

The island was not declared officially secure until March 25. It was taken at the cost of some 25,000 U.S. dead and wounded, mostly Marines. In that context and at that time, for all concerned, the Suribachi flag raisings were not very important. That would change later.

The Stamp

A series of U.S. postage stamps to commemorate the Armed Services had been under consideration for some time, but it was the publication of Rosenthal's sensational photograph that brought things to a head. Congressmen and others put pressure on the postmaster general to turn the photograph into a stamp commemorating the U.S. Marines. On March 31 it was announced that President Roosevelt endorsed the idea. A Bureau of Engraving and Printing (BEP) model of the stamp was approved on June 4.

Announcements said the stamp was



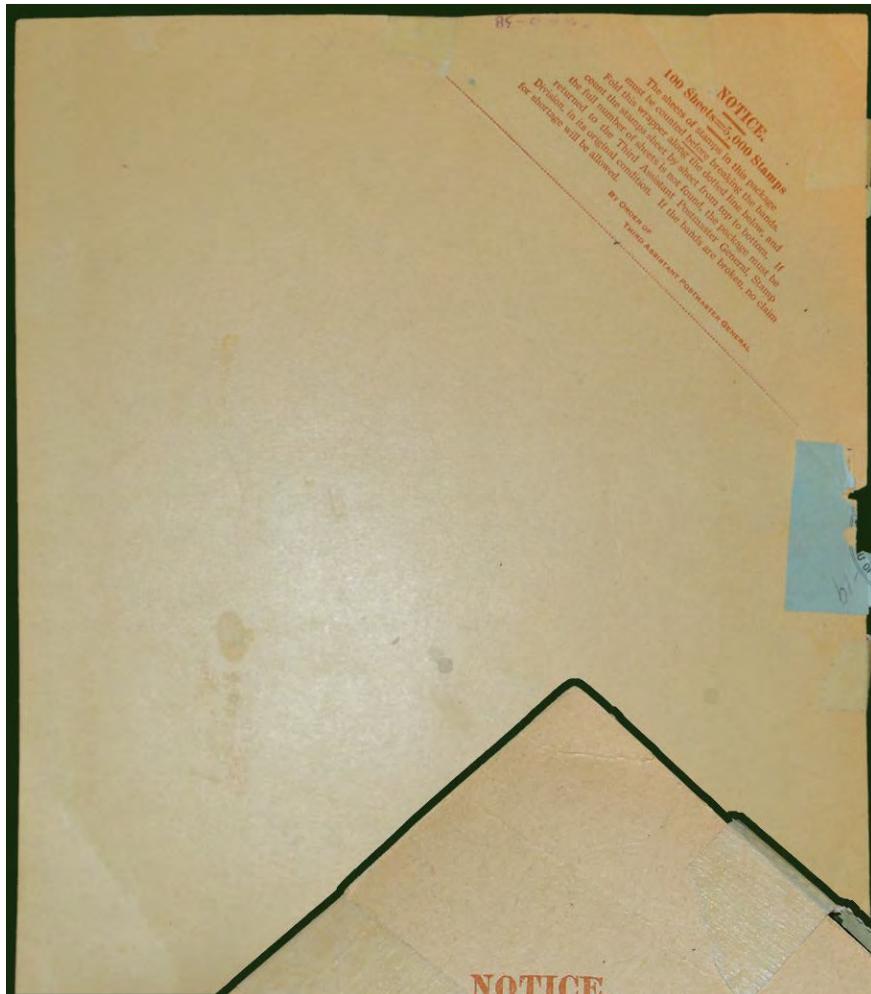
A rare die proof of Scott 929 in purple, the usual color for a 3-cent, first-class stamp.

sition to try to get a photograph of the second flag going up. Sensing some movement, "There it goes," he said to those around him, while quickly snapping a shot of that second flag raising. It all happened so fast that he had no idea how the black-and-white photograph had came out. Later that day his film, along with that of the other combat correspondents, was sent for processing to Guam.

After being developed and released to the stateside press, Rosenthal's photo of the unposed and unrehearsed raising of the second flag quickly became a sensation. But Rosenthal, still on Iwo Jima, hadn't even seen a print yet!²

On Iwo Jima, vicious fighting continued.





Top left: Cardboard cover of a pad of 100 sheets of Iwo Jima Flag Raising stamps.

Left: the printed message about counting the stamps sheet by sheet.

Below: the band from the BEP that was affixed to the cardboard holding the stamps.

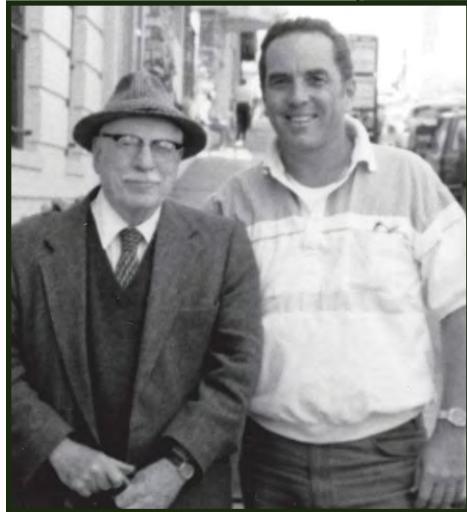


to be issued in purple with the first day of issue to be July 11, 1945 — the anniversary day of the U.S. Marines being authorized in 1798. Those announcements sparked complaints against depicting the Marines and the flag in purple, the usual color for a 3-cent (first class) stamp. The postmaster general and the BEP quickly relented. An announcement on July 4 said that the stamp would be issued in "Marine" green (a multicolor stamp was not practical in July 1945).³

There also was some controversy about showing living people on the postage stamp. Three of the six flag raisers — Pfc. Franklin R. Sousley, Sgt. Michael Strank, and Cpl. Harlan H. Block — were killed



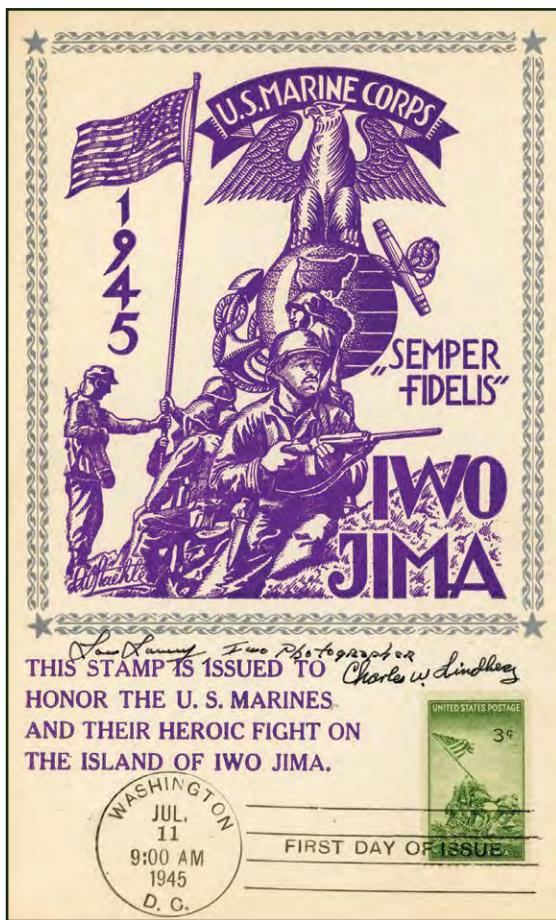
This cover features autographs from Victor S. McCloskey, stamp designer; Charles Brooks, stamp engraver; and Charles H. Helmuth, stamp lettering.



Joe Rosenthal and Ted Bahry,
about twenty-five years ago.

The 7th War Loan poster, "NOW ALL .. TOGETHER," printed from the painting "U.S. Marines at Iwo Jima" by C.C. Beal, using the Associated Press photo. The poster received a first day cancel and Joe Rosenthal's autograph.





in action on Iwo Jima. The other three — Pfc. Ira Hayes, Navy Pharmacist's Mate 2nd Class John H. Bradley, and Pfc. Rene A Gagnon — survived and later were sent stateside to participate in the 7th War Bond Drive.

Aftermath

The 7th War Bond Drive featuring the famous Iwo Jima flag-raising had a goal of \$14 billion and actually collected more than \$26 billion. (A 7th War Loan poster with a block of four Iwo Jima stamps and first day cancel was pictured on the cover of the July 1992 issue of *The American Philatelist*.) On July 11, 1945, sales of Iwo Jima stamp first day cancels topped the 400,000 mark. One hundred fifty million stamps eventually were printed using six plate numbers.

The Marines went on to fight and die for their country in many faraway places. As for the unpretentious yet famous photographer Joe Rosenthal, he had the last words about the second Iwo Jima flag-raising: "I took the picture, but the Marines took Iwo Jima."

The other Armed Services eventually had stamp issues. Although the Iwo Jima stamp had no service listed, the whole world knew that the

U.S. Marines took Iwo Jima, and that those other services — fondly known as "support troops" by the Marines — helped along the way.

This story is dedicated to those U.S. Marines who did not live to see a postage stamp issued in their honor.

Endnotes

1. The best available popular reference on the flag raisings is James Bradley's with Ron Powers *Flags of Our Fathers* (New York: Bantam Press/Random House, 2000).
2. Joe Rosenthal with W.C. Heinz, "The Picture That Will Live Forever," *Colliers* (February 18, 1955) is available online at www.oldmagazinearticles.com and online at www.stamps.org/American-Philatelist/AP-Album.
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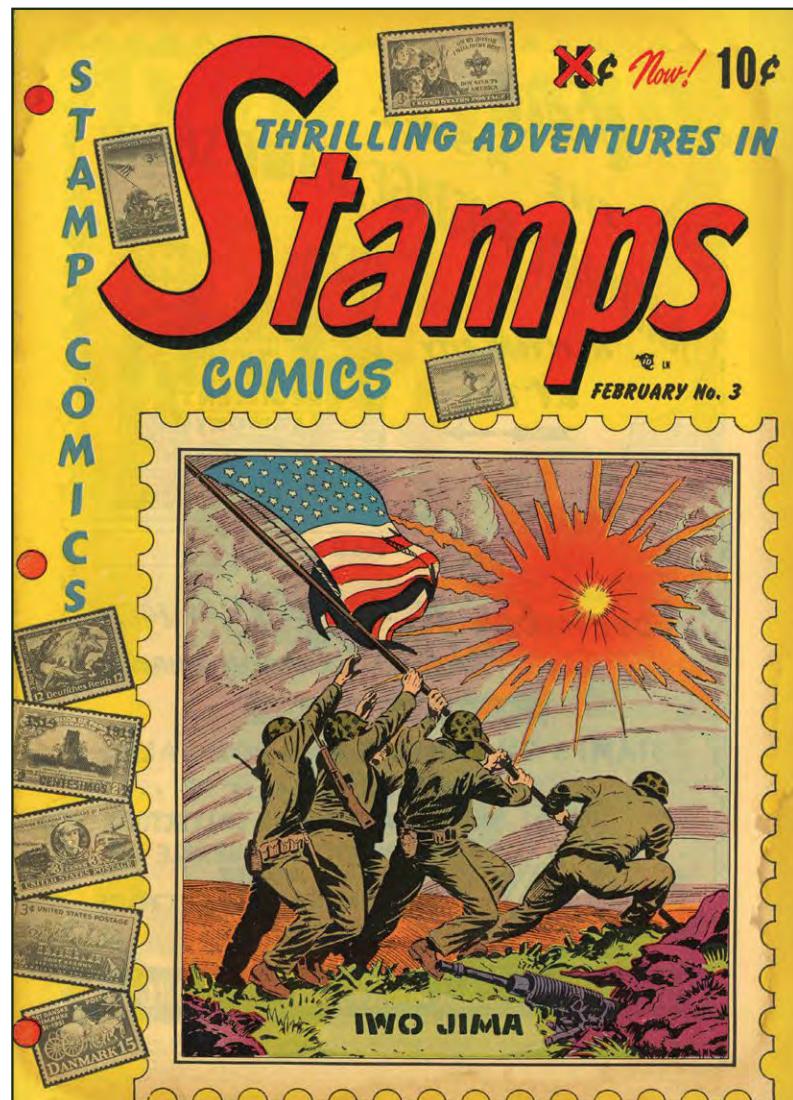
Watch a video of Marines landing on Iwo Jima and raising the flag <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j3ZEl05G2S8>

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Left: A souvenir card of the first flag raising on Iwo Jima signed by photographer Louis Lowery and survivor Charles W. Lindberg.

Below: The cover of the February 1951 *Stamps Comics*.



Fresh Perspectives on FAM 22 Inaugural Flight Covers; Part 2

by Ken Lawrence

No description of ATC's mission would be complete without mention of its responsibilities in connection with the furtherance of the postwar commercial and military aviation interests of the country.

Air Transport Command 29 May 1941–May 1945
[unpublished report]

Prologue

In June of 1941, one month after the U.S. War Department had commissioned Pan American Airways to ferry war planes across the Atlantic Ocean to British forces in Africa and the Middle East, Juan T. Trippe, the president of Pan Am, was in London "to discuss with the Air Ministry and British Overseas Airways certain important developments in the transatlantic air services," according to a report in *Flight* magazine.

While he was there, Trippe delivered the 29th Wilbur Wright Memorial Lecture to the Royal Aeronautical Society in London on June 17. His subject was "Ocean Air Transport," and the gist of his message was that flying boats were not ideal aircraft for the job.

Hardly had our initial schedules been instituted with the 84,000-lb. Boeing B-314 Clippers when specifications were released to manufacturers inviting their bids on the design and development of a new type of Clipper which our experience indicated to be the required next step in trans-oceanic development. Construction contracts for such aircraft were actually let in June 1940, with the first deliveries scheduled for early 1942.

A perceptive subhead over the June 26 *Flight* report of Trippe's lecture read, "Hint at Possible Return to Landplanes on Transatlantic Service." A *Flight* editor commented in the September 4 issue:

Pan American Airways' decision to adopt landplanes for the new transatlantic service in preference to flying-

boats is interesting. Quite apart from the fact that ice and swells render a flying-boat service unsatisfactory, the gap between the speeds of flying-boats and landplanes is widening, due to the inferior aerodynamic shape of the former, the probable impracticality of pressurizing the hull, and the greater frontal area and wetted area involved.

Philatelic writers often have mentioned that after the lecture Trippe dined with Winston Churchill. They have seldom heeded the content of Trippe's talk, which became especially significant after Foreign Air Mail route No. 22 began flying boat service between the United States and West Africa in December 1941. FAM 22 flights connected to previously established PAA Ferries and PAA-Africa land plane routes.

Immediately after the December 7, 1941, attack on Pearl Harbor, the Army and Navy took possession of all Pan Am aircraft, including the land planes that had not yet been delivered.

I begin this part of my narrative with that episode so readers may keep in mind that Pan Am had taken steps in anticipation of phasing out flying boats and replacing them with land-based Clippers before the war drew a cloak of secrecy over those plans. Immediately after the December 7, 1941, attack on Pearl Harbor, the Army and Navy took possession of all Pan Am aircraft, including the land planes that had not yet been delivered. In the meantime, an August 12, 1941, revision of the PAA-Africa contract with the War Department, later amended additional times,

provided for a link between trans-Atlantic and trans-Africa routes, including landing sites yet to be built:

The main base of the Transafrican Route is placed at Accra instead of Lagos; Karachi, India, is designated as an additional easterly terminal, and Fisherman's Lake and Harbel in Liberia; Kaduna and [illegibly faint] in Nigeria, Fort Lamy in French Equatorial Africa, Sharja in Arabia, and Jiwani in India are designated as intermediate stops on the Transafrican Route, and [PAA-]African is authorized to operate a service between Harbel and Fisherman's Lake for the purpose of providing a connection between the Transafrican Route and the Transoceanic services operated by Pan American.

Harbel, named for Harvey E. Firestone and his wife Ida-

belle, was the location of the Firestone Rubber plantation. War Department plans had named the lend-lease landing strip to be established there Thomas Jefferson Airfield. It was later diplomatically renamed Roberts Field in honor of Joseph Jenkins Roberts, Liberia's first president.

Two documents that I found in the archives of the Air Force Historical Research Agency at Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama, helped me understand the significance of these facilities for the transport of World War II international air mail. The first, an October 31, 1942, report by E. J. Murphy of the PAA-Africa Operations Department, illustrated the postal significance of Roberts Field, albeit as an afterthought:

The line operated in the following manner. Cargo was flown from the U.S. to a point in South America, whence it was carried by PAA-Clippers to Fisherman's Lake on the West Coast of Africa. Here the freight was reloaded into Douglas C-53's and C-47's of PAA-Africa and flown to its destination. Among the articles carried were food, guns, ammunition, aircraft parts and engines, clothing, tools, etc., and of course mail and passengers.

The second, a November 27, 1942, letter from Major M. J. Deutsch, postal officer of the Africa-Middle East Wing (AMEW) of the Army Air Forces Air Transport Command, to the wing's commander, General Shepler W. Fitzgerald, shows that this arrangement continued after PAA-Africa was militarized in the fall of 1942:

AMEW is carrying civil mail for all or nearly all allied Governments in the world either directly or through transfer to and from connecting carriers. Civil mails are given excellent service with little or no delay at any point in AMEW.

In that respect, FAM 22 inaugural flight covers can be regarded as initial evidence of a mail transport system between Miami and the Far East by way of trans-Africa routes that operated for the duration of the war.

December 1941–April 1942: FAM 22 Covers Return Home

Before we explore the transition from flying boats to land-based aircraft on the South Atlantic route, we should return to our narrative about souvenir covers from the inaugural flight of FAM 22. Part 1 of this article concluded as aerophilatelic columnists reported receiving covers that had been serviced for the December 6 through 17, 1941, flight of the *Capetown Clipper*.

In his January 1942 *Airpost Journal* review of activity for the previous year, Richard L. Singley, a postal clerk at Lancaster, Pennsylvania, called FAM 22 "the last word in FAM routes and the longest and most important air mail route in the world." Singley, whom the American Air Mail Society rightly called "the foremost authority on foreign air mail covers," knew several Pan Am pilots personally. He had col-

lected FAM covers ever since the first foreign air mail route began in 1920.

Singley continued to report accurately on FAM 22 inaugural flight covers for the next several months:

Some covers have been seen with censor markings. Ones mailed unsealed from Gambia bear a box-type "Passed by Censor — Bathurst" while others from Leopoldville, mailed sealed, bear the regular British censor as well as the Belgian Congo Censor....

Top-flight news of the month was the attack on the Grace liner Santa Paula in the South Atlantic. Just in case you don't know it, your covers were on that boat and you came very close to losing them. The covers to which I refer were the items mailed to Lagos and Bathurst....

The Santa Paula was escorted for the first 36 hours out of Lagos by a British coastal plane. Just six hours after the pilot headed back for the African coast, the Santa Paula dodged her first torpedo. The captain, Walter N. Prengel, was zig-zagging at a high rate of speed when another sub was sighted. Again the Santa Paula gave a violent lurch and heeled far to starboard to dodge a second torpedo. As the boat neared our own shores in the dark, an unidentified ship tried to ram her twice and the presence of another sub lurking nearby forced the Santa Paula to again head for the open sea until daylight came....

The first covers we got back were from Lagos and Leopoldville to Miami backstamped the 16th. The same covers to San Juan bear a backstamp of December 17. Covers for San Juan were flown from Port-of-Spain on FAM-6 by regular service plane. This was necessary because of wartime restrictions regarding night landing at San Juan. The Capetown Clipper flew non-stop on December 16 from Port-of-Spain to Miami. This will explain the late backstamp at San Juan....

December 17–24, 1941: Amending the FAM 22 Route and Service

On December 17, the day *Capetown Clipper* left Miami and returned to New York, the Post Office Department issued this order, after trans-Pacific routes had been suspended owing to the rapid advance of Japanese military conquests in Asia and the Southwest Pacific:

FOREIGN AIR MAIL SERVICE

Air Mails for Netherlands Indies, North Borneo, Sarawak, Straits Settlements, Malaya, Burma, unoccupied China and countries west thereof (including Turkey), which have heretofore been sent by the trans-Pacific route, shall be routed promptly via Miami, Fla. The total postage on articles for all these countries is 70 cents per half ounce.

Air Mails for the countries listed in the POSTAL BULLETIN of December 2, 1941, under the heading "Foreign Air Mail Service to Africa," will of course also be sent via Miami, except any that are prepaid to be carried by steamship to Africa thence by air.

However, the Civil Aeronautics Board ruling on September 9 had authorized Pan Am to provide service by the trans-Africa route only as far as the Middle East. On December

19, Pan Am asked the CAB to amend the certificate so that Pan Am could transport passengers, cargo, and mail from Khartoum, Anglo-Egyptian Sudan, to Rangoon, Burma, as an extension of the trans-Africa route.

On December 23 the CAB held a secret hearing to consider the proposed amendment. Major E. F. Gillespie, one of two attorneys who represented the War Department in that proceeding, reported to the assistant secretary of war for air:

The War Department requested that Pan American representatives at hearing orally amend their application to contemplate services to the Straits Settlements or Australia with permission to terminate at any intermediate point which might be dictated by the necessity of the occasion.

Pan Am complied with the request.

The CAB approved the request as an amendment to the Docket No. 442 certificate, which previously had authorized service from Miami to the Belgian Congo, and sent it to President Franklin D. Roosevelt for his signature later that afternoon. Neither the CAB's minutes of that hearing nor its order have been released, but the Air Force Historical Research Agency sent me a declassified copy of a January 8, 1942, mem-

orandum for the record by Colonel Harold L. George, Assistant Chief of the Air Force Staff, which verified it.

An August 23, 1944, memorandum to Juan Trippe from Pan Am's attorney Henry J. Friendly provided unusual confirmation:

Our confidential application of December 19, 1941 did request that the extension to Singapore be by way of amendment to the [FAM 22] certificate to Africa issued in Docket No. 442. I do not have a copy of the secret certificate that actually was issued and I do not believe that a copy was ever given to the Company.

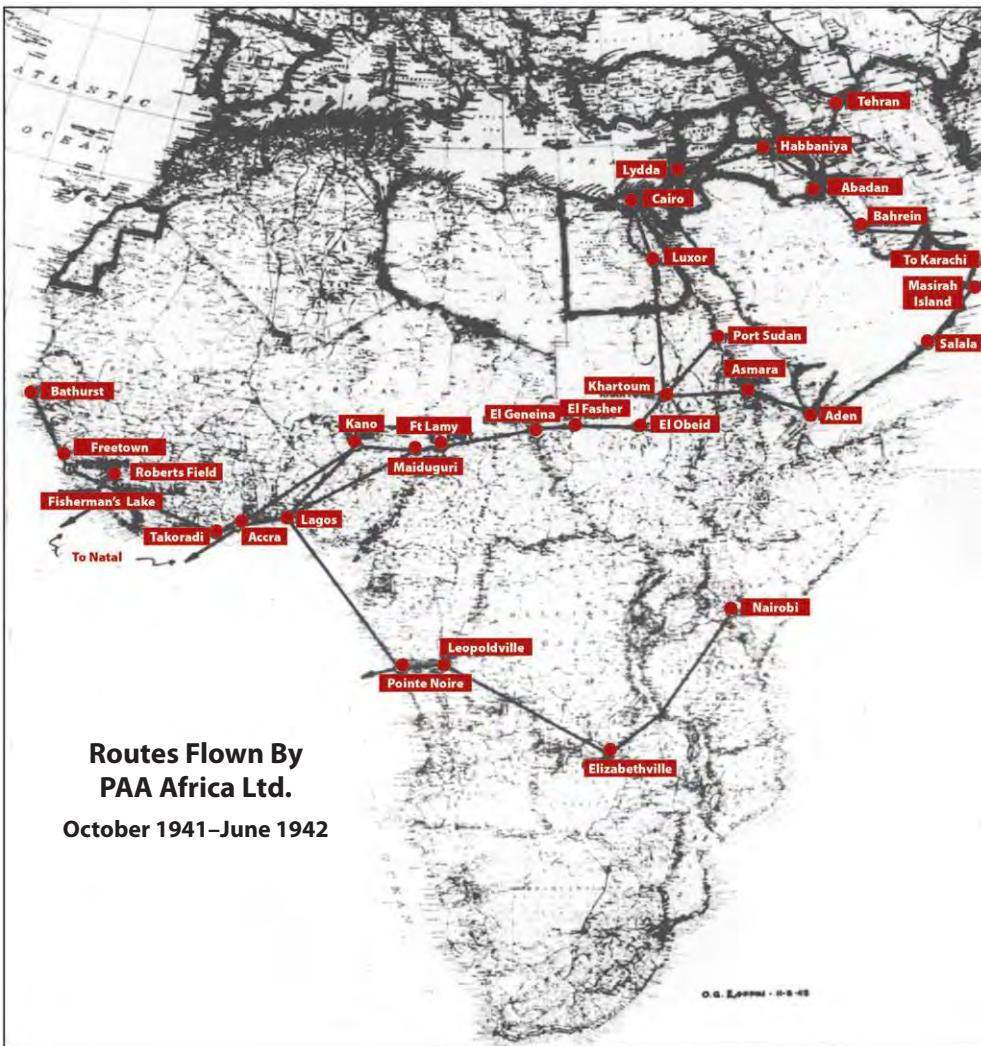
December 30, 1941: Westbound First Flight Covers from Gambia

Gambia was surrounded on three sides by Senegal, then under the control of hostile Vichy France. Because of the threat posed by enemy forces based at Dakar, *Capetown Clipper* had called at Fisherman's Lake, Liberia, to refuel, and had bypassed Gambia on its return flight, so she had carried no covers from Gambia on the westbound segment of her inaugural trip. Singley wrote:

It is quite evident that Bathurst was ready for the return

This map from the unpublished *History of the Air Transport Command in Central Africa and the Middle-East* shows Pan American Airways-Africa routes flown between October 1941 and June 1942 under contract to the ATC. Flying boat shuttles to Brazil departed from Fisherman's Lake, Liberia; land-based aircraft to Brazil, from Accra, Gold Coast. Although the map shows Pointe Noire, French Congo, as a third departure point for trans-Atlantic flights, by the time an agreement had been negotiated with Free French officials, American commanders had decided not to use that base except as an emergency landing site. Interior trans-Africa routes employed land-based aircraft.

For a larger map, visit www.stamps.org/American-Philatelist/AP-Album.



flight for covers bear a postmark of the 14th, although all the westbound covers were picked up at Bathurst on December 30th, on which date the first plane was to leave Bathurst for Brazil, Trinidad, Puerto Rico, and the United States.

In the May 1942 *Aero Field* Norman Baldwin wrote:

The first stop was on the second return service which called at Bathurst on Dec. 30th. This explains the long interval between the despatch postmark of Dec. 14th and the Miami transit postmark of Jan. 8th.

Both writers assumed that FAM 22 flights had adhered to the published twice monthly schedule, which was not the case. The next recorded westbound trans-Atlantic flight that called at Bathurst was a December 30 unscheduled stop by the *Yankee Clipper* on its FAM 18 winter route Trip 482 return flight from Lisbon, Portugal, to New York by way of Portuguese Guinea, Brazil, and Bermuda. If the Bathurst covers were transported to the United States on a flying boat, as some air mail scholars believe, that must have been the flight. If not, they were flown aboard a land-based ferry aircraft.

Without having had Pan Am's philatelic representative present to supervise cover servicing, someone at Bathurst screwed up. Most of the cancels and cachets were poorly struck. Singley advised his readers:

The Bathurst post office erroneously dispatched all Bathurst to Natal covers in a sealed dispatch to Miami. At the present time Pan-American is endeavoring to make arrangements with the Postal Administrations concerned so that these covers may be assembled in New York and forwarded in bulk to Natal, Brazil, where that post office may backstamp all covers as of January 1, 1942, the date on which the plane carrying these covers arrived in Natal.

After Natal, *Yankee Clipper* flew to Belem later on January 1, to Port of Spain and Bermuda on January 2, and to New York on January 3, but did not call at Miami. The January 1 date for arrival at Natal and Belem agrees with the Trip 482 summary, but the January 15 arrival postmark date on covers to Trinidad is inconsistent with *Yankee Clipper*'s January 2 call at Port of Spain.

A map image from a microfilm copy of the formerly classified *History of the Air Transport Command in Central Africa and the Middle-East* suggests a different possibility. It shows PAA-Africa routes flown between October 1941 and June 1942. The flying boat route to Brazil departed from Fisherman's Lake, Liberia; the land-based aircraft route, from Accra, Gold Coast. Land-based planes also flew over the illustrated interior trans-Africa routes. One connected Bathurst to Accra with intermediate stops at Freetown, Sierra Leone, and Takoradi, Gold Coast, so Accra might have been the departure point for the trans-Atlantic trip.

My interpretation is that whatever flight carried the Bathurst covers across the Atlantic probably unloaded them in Brazil for onward transport to Miami by land-based aircraft. If the *Yankee Clipper* had delivered Bathurst mail at

New York on January 3, the covers should have taken no more than one additional day to reach Miami on a domestic flight, not five.

If my reasoning is correct, the January 14 arrival backstamps on covers to San Juan and January 15 at Port of Spain would have reflected a separate flight back from Miami. Whether the Bathurst covers were carried from Africa to America on a FAM 18 flying boat or on a FAM 22 land-based ferry transport, or perhaps on a combination of both over a shuttle route, they certainly recorded the inauguration of air mail service from Gambia to the United States and other Western Hemisphere destinations.

Also in need of explanation are inaugural flight covers from Bathurst to London. In *Bridging the Continents in Wartime*, authors Hans E. Aitink and Egbert Hovenkamp pictured a registered example that showed a January 8 transit backstamp of Miami. Those authors believed it flew aboard a westbound Clipper flight that departed Leopoldville on January 2, which they mistakenly listed as a FAM 22 flight. The only Pan Am flying boat in the vicinity at that time was the FAM 19 *Pacific Clipper*, which had departed Leopoldville on January 2 for a non-stop flight to Natal on the next-to-last leg of its epic globe-circling flight from New Zealand to avoid capture by Japan. *Pacific Clipper* carried no trans-Atlantic mail and made no calls between the Belgian Congo and Brazil.

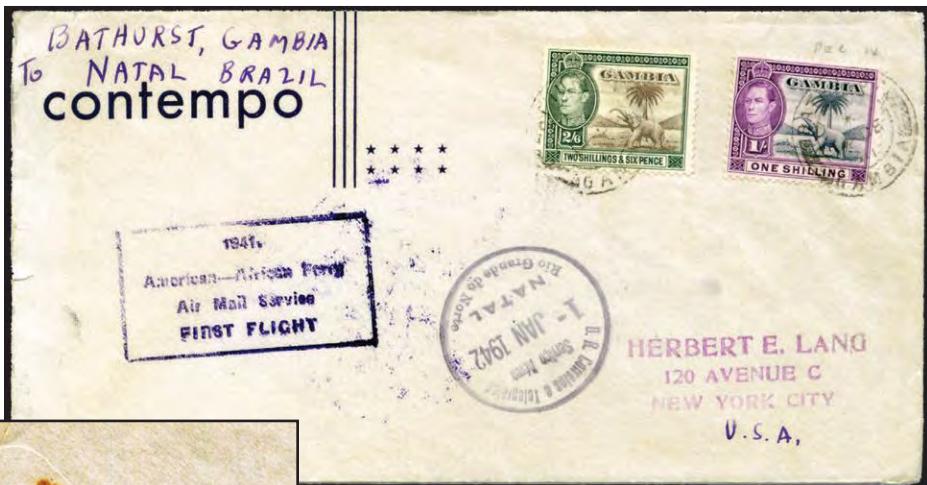
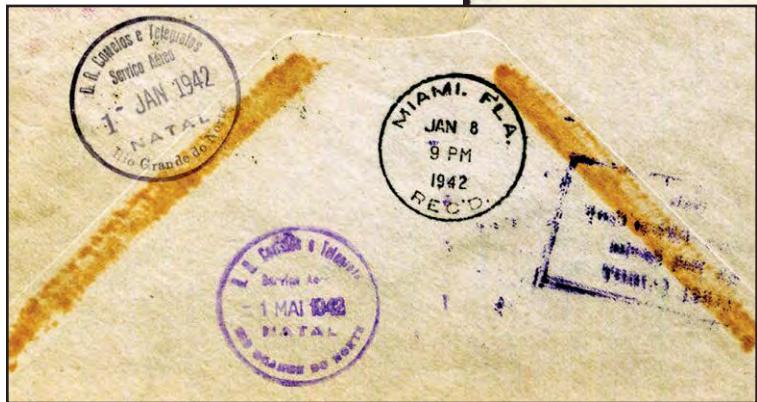
If, instead, their cover had been carried westbound to New York aboard the *Yankee Clipper*, as recent articles in air mail specialty journals claim, there should have been no need for a Miami transit, which would have been in the wrong direction. Aitink and Hovenkamp speculated their cover was flown from New York to Lisbon aboard *Yankee Clipper*'s January 13 eastbound FAM 18 flight. If it had first made the westbound voyage aboard that same plane, there should have been no need to unload it en route, least of all for a holiday outing in Florida. In my opinion, transport by land-based aircraft is more consistent with the postal markings.

Correcting the Bathurst Post Office Blunder

Without casting blame on the Bathurst post office, a January 28, 1942, *Postal Bulletin* notice from Second Assistant Postmaster General Smith W. Purdum sought to assure collectors that his original pledge to provide proper backstamps had been sincere:

With respect to covers heretofore carried on this route from Bathurst to Natal, it is understood that they were not backstamped at the Natal office. If holders of such covers desire to do so they may send them to Pan American Airways, 135 East Forty-Second Street, New York, N.Y., prior to February 20, 1942, which company will endeavor to have the appropriate backstamp applied.

The Bathurst-to-Natal fiasco could scarcely have come at a more difficult time. Mail and cargo piled up at every port of

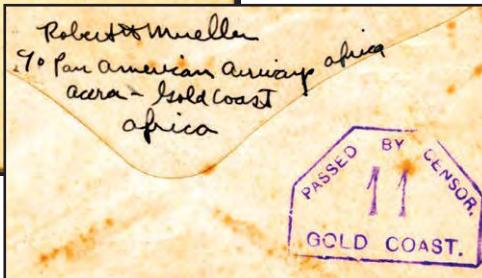


Because souvenir covers endorsed for the Bathurst to Natal portion of the FAM 22 inaugural flight had been improperly bagged, they were not unloaded at Natal, but were carried on to Miami as the January 8 backstamp indicated. The U.S. Post Office Department had pledged that first flight covers would be properly backstamped, so the POD invited collectors who wanted theirs to be struck with January 1 Natal arrival stamps to resubmit them to Pan American Airways for return to Brazil in April. Postal authorities at Natal evidently misunderstood the request and applied May 1 datestamps, which then necessitated a second return to Natal for nominally correct postmarks.



call along the route as the Air Force's Ferrying Command loaded southbound and eastbound flights with as much war matériel as could be carried on the limited number of aircraft in service that were capable of intercontinental flights. The covers eventually reached Brazil in late April, after the backlog had diminished.

At Natal they were postmarked May 1, probably on that very day. Perhaps the request for January 1 datestamps had gotten garbled in translation. On the second attempt three months later, the Natal post office representative applied proper January 1 postmarks as requested. My cover that bears all those markings is illustrated. Long-suffering air mail collectors finally received their corrected souvenirs



A PAA-Africa employee enclosed a letter to his mother in Florida inside this censored first flight cover from Gold Coast. The December 23 enclosure and the December 26 cancellation date indicate that the service from Accra to Miami by land-based aircraft had been announced locally more than a week before the January 2, 1942, departure. A pair of 2-shillings dark violet and deep blue King George VI stamps, Gold Coast Scott 125, paid all-air postage. (The rate to Miami with onward surface transport was 3-shillings and 6-pence.)

in September, more than eight months after the flight. The POD had kept its promise.

January 2, 1942: First Air Mail, Gold Coast to U.S. via FAM 22

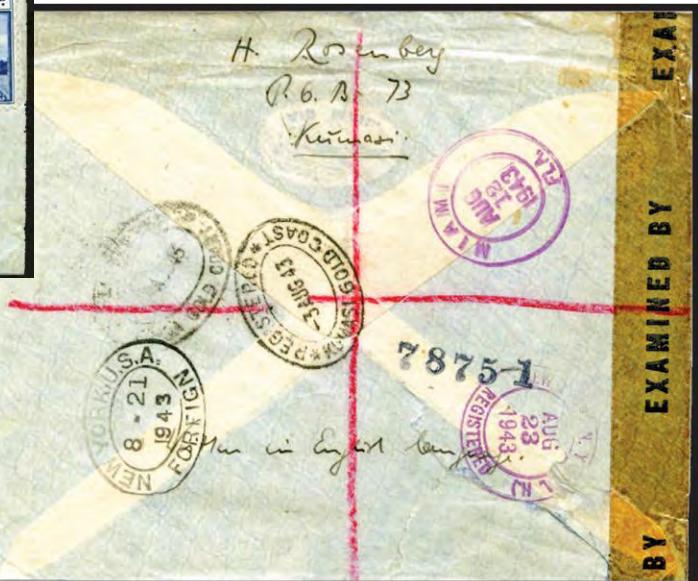
Three days after service began from Gambia, Gold Coast was added to the list of countries offering new air mail service to the United States by way of the South Atlantic crossing to Miami. Except for the previously mentioned escape flight of the FAM 19 Pacific Clipper, there was no Pan Am flying boat in the vicinity on that date. Gold Coast FAM 22 mail must have flown from Accra to Miami aboard land-based aircraft.

In the March 1942 *Aero Field* Norman Baldwin reported the inauguration of Pan Am service from Gold Coast to the United States and illustrated the special FIRST FLIGHT Regular Air Mail Service GOLD COAST — U.S.A. cachet for the flight, which was struck on the cover pictured here.



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By mid-1943, service between Gold Coast and America had become quick and efficient. This registered air mail cover was posted August 3 at Kumasi and transited Miami on August 12. Owing to a censorship delay at New York City, it was not released until August 21 and delivered two days later. The 3-pence blue King George VI stamp, Gold Coast Scott 119, paid the registry fee in addition to the 4-shillings postage shown earlier. By this date all flying boats had been taken out of service over the South Atlantic route.



Max Kronstein cited Baldwin's report in the May 1942 *Airpost Journal*, but his was the only report I found in the American philatelic press.

Baldwin's May 1945 book, *Bridging the Atlantic*, referred to this flight as having "left Accra on Jan. 2, 1942, ... so it would connect with the 3rd return service at Lagos," probably on the assumption that FAM 22 flights had adhered to the published twice monthly schedule of flying boat service to Leopoldville, which they had not. Richard Beith repeated Baldwin's mistake in the November 1997 *Airpost Journal*. Aitink and Hovenkamp also echoed Baldwin when they wrote, "First flight covers from The Gold Coast were dispatched via the third return flight from Lagos to the U.S.A."

Frank Muller's 1950 guide, *Catalogue des Aérogrammes du Monde Entier* (Catalog of Worldwide Flight Covers), reported the special cachet for the inauguration of Pan Am route Accra – Natal – Port of Spain – Miami – London, with covers to each destination. Norman and Maurice Williams gave a history of this service in the November 1944 *Aero Field* (while Norman was a British Army officer stationed at Takoradi). They reported these numbers of ordinary and registered inaugural flight covers, respectively: 596 and 61 to London; 800 and 41 to Miami; 6 and 1 to Natal, 16 and 3 to Port of Spain. The covers to London arrived on January 29.

The Williams brothers wrote that this service sent ten dispatches over that route between January 2 and March 24, and that Pan Am also carried mail northward from Accra to Bathurst. "The service to the United Kingdom proved most unsatisfactory on account of delay in transit.... The service was discontinued in March and for a further 5 months the Gold Coast was without civilian air mail service, but in June 1942 a restricted weekly service was opened." In the December 2006 *London Philatelist* Robert May wrote, "The winter of 1941–42 was the worst time to start this routing, but it

is clear from known covers that it was used for mails from other West African countries for a much longer period than stated by [the Williamses'] article."

It was true that mail over the South Atlantic route had been erratic during its early months when all available cargo space was needed for military transport, but as the number of aircraft assigned to the route increased, and as schedules normalized, those problems were overcome. The illustrated August 1943 cover from Gold Coast to the United States made the crossing in just nine days.

January 20 and 21, 1942: First Air Mail, Syria and Lebanon to the U.S. via FAM 22

Muller listed January 20, 1942, inaugural flight covers struck with special cachets for service from Damascus, Syria, and Beirut, Lebanon, to New York City via the Free French carrier *Forces Aériennes Françaises Libres* (FAFL) and Pan Am. (The listing on the Lebanon page mistakenly showed Dakar as the West Africa transit point, at a time when Senegal was under Vichy control.) In a February 1993 *Le Monde Philatéliste* article, Vital Ferry named the carrier *Lignes Aériennes de la France Libre*, gave Beirut as the origin, described the cachet, and reported February 1 as the New York arrival date.

The 1996 book *Le service postal aérien dans les pays d'expression Française* by Pierre Saulgrain named the carrier as FAFL from Damascus, departing January 20 to Brazza-

The cachet on this January 13, 1942, FAM 22 first flight cover from Beirut to New York City optimistically anticipated a February 1 arrival at New York, but mail dispatched on this flight from the French Levant was delayed at a West African transit stop and did not reach the United States until early April. After examination by a Free French censor, the cover departed Lebanon on January 21 for a flight to Brazzaville, French Congo. After arriving at Brazzaville on January 27 it crossed the Congo River to Leopoldville. Eventually a Pan Am Clipper carried it to Trinidad, where a British censor examined and resealed it on March 27. From Trinidad it went to Miami, and from Miami to New York. Postage consisted of one olive brown 100-piastres Plane over Zahle air mail stamp, one dark violet

50-piastres and two dark green 15-piastres Dog River Panorama definitive stamps, and on the back, one greenish blue 5-piastres Ancient Dog River Bridge stamp, Lebanon Scott C48, 143C, 143, and 155, which included 15 piastres for basic surface postage, and 170 piastres double (85 piastres per 5-grams) air surtax to the United States. (Courtesy of Kiyoshi Kashiwagi.)



ville, French Congo, arriving January 27 and transferring to Leopoldville, Belgian Congo, the next day for the Pan Am connection. Ferry did not mention Damascus; Saulgrain did not include Beirut. Despite the discrepant reports, all three authors meant the same flight, commemorated by a large red circular cachet that pictured the route from the French Levant to Brazzaville, and the connection there to the FAM 22 route from Leopoldville via South America to Miami.

Richard Beith illustrated a registered inaugural flight cover for this route in the November 1997 *Airpost Journal*. He reported a Leopoldville transit postmark date of January 28 and New York registry backstamps dated from April 12 to 17: "That is, the cover quickly reached Leopoldville, but then took a long time to reach the USA. No Miami transit mark can be found suggesting that the cover might have gone by sea to New York from the Congo?"

Air mail collectors often interpret slow transit as evidence of surface transit, and in most cases the deduction is reasonable. The South Atlantic route in wartime was an exception. Ships continued to bring mail from Africa to New York, but the risks of submarine attack made other shipping lanes difficult to protect. The *Annual Report of the Postmaster General for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30 1942* informed Congress, "Sea post service to South America was discontinued in September 1941, and to Puerto Rico in February 1942 ... the frequency of [air mail] service has been materially increased to the Latin-American countries."

John Wilson offered a different explanation in his June

2009 *Cameo* article, "FAM-22; Blockage at Brazzaville?" He reported "more than one example of such covers, all of them having a common feature: evidence of a serious delay at Brazzaville/Leopoldville which resulted in eventual arrival in the United States not on the first

of February as planned but in mid-April 1942." One of the covers he illustrated had an April 7 Miami registry backstamp, which meant it arrived in America as air mail, not surface mail. "I do have the feeling that carrying the ordinary air mail was a low priority exercise," he wrote, "bearing in mind the absolute necessity of moving men and materials from America to Accra and Lagos for onward shipment to the Middle and Far East." Considering the limited number of transport airplanes available for South Atlantic crossings at that time, I agree with him.

In his 2011 book, *Postal and Airmail Rates in France & Colonies 1920–1945*, Robert E. Picirilli wrote in a footnote about these covers:

Indeed, [first flight covers] from Damascus and Beirut on 20-21 Jan 1942 expected (as indicated by their cachets) to fly all the way to the US, transiting from LAM [Lignes aériennes militaires] to PanAm in Brazzaville/Leopoldville. They were delayed (reason unknown) there and did not arrive in the US until April.

I have a January 30 registered air mail cover from Tripoli, Lebanon, to Easton, Pennsylvania, that must have traveled over the same route on the second flight from Damascus to Brazzaville. The backstamped transit dates were February 3, Beirut; February 7, Brazzaville; February 9, Leopoldville; April 7, Miami (after a censorship delay at Trinidad); and arrival at Easton April 8. So my cover reached Miami on the same date as Wilson's first flight cover, which suggests that all this mail had stalled at a station in West Africa, awaiting a

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This December 14, 1941, first flight cover from Lagos arrived at Bathurst on February 2, 1942. Authorities disagree about how it was transported from Nigeria to Gambia, but a strip of three brown violet 6-pence King George VI stamps, Nigeria Scott 60, paid the correct 18-pence (1-shilling and 6-pence) air mail rate. A U.S. Army Examiner No. 00000 boxed double-oval "racetrack" censor

mark, used only at the G-2 Counter Intelligence Division office at War Department headquarters in Washington, is evidence that it was flown back to the United States either in a diplomatic or military attaché's pouch.



flight with sufficient available space to carry mail.

The “reason unknown” for the delay might have been that FAM 22 Trip 6003, which departed New York and Miami on January 15, had been sent beyond the Belgian Congo on a special mission to Karachi, India, delaying its scheduled return by about a week. Perhaps Trip 6004 came back through Leopoldville loaded to capacity, with no room for more mail en route to its February 8 homecoming.

The next westbound FAM 22 flying boat was Trip 6006 of the *Capetown Clipper*, which departed Leopoldville on March 22 and arrived at Miami on March 26. That must have been the flight that delivered letters from Syria and Lebanon to the British censorship station when it called at Trinidad on March 25, which is consistent with the March 27 censor’s release date on the illustrated cover.

February 2, 1942: Lagos and Leopoldville to Bathurst

Meanwhile collectors had a long wait for covers that documented the inauguration of service from the Belgian Congo and Nigeria to Gambia. In the April 1942 *Airpost Journal* Singley finally reported their arrival:

Two covers, Lagos and Leopoldville to Bathurst, were received this month from FAM-22 and both bear backstamps of Feb. 2, 1942, which leaves a doubt in our minds as to whether these covers were actually flown.

The *American Air Mail Catalog* informed readers, “Mail from Leopoldville and Lagos for Bathurst was carried through to Natal and returned to Bathurst by the next eastward flight, arriving February 2.” In the May 2013 *Cameo*, John Wilson and Barbara Priddy wrote: “Since the first flight from Leopoldville did not stop at Bathurst, these two groups of covers were carried through to the United States by *Capetown Clipper* and were later returned to Bathurst for validating by application of a Bathurst backstamp.” In a November 2013 sequel, Priddy wrote that the covers “were overflowed to Miami, and sent back to Bathurst via Lagos at the beginning of February.”

No evidence I have seen supports Singley’s suspicion that the covers had not been flown, or AAMC’s report that they were flown to Natal and carried back to Bathurst, or Wilson and Priddy’s report that the covers were flown to Miami and carried back. Whether the covers were returned from Brazil or the United States, or simply left behind to await later transport from Leopoldville and Lagos, summaries of scheduled and special mission Clipper flights in Pan Am archives show no calls at Bathurst until later in February. The *Cameo* authors tried valiantly to discover one without being satisfied, but they could not resist taking a swipe at the catalog statement.

However, in addition to FAM 22 flights between Gold Coast and Brazil by land-based aircraft, PAA-Africa also operated service from Gold Coast to Gambia by this date. The Williams brothers recorded mail flights from Accra to Bathurst on January 14, 21, and 28; February 4 and 11. None of those flights were congruent with the February 2 arrival date, nor could the reported amounts of mail (less than 100 grams for each delivery) have included a large quantity of souvenir covers, but they bring to mind other possibilities, including perhaps a direct PAA Ferries flight from Natal to Bathurst.

Might *Capetown Clipper* have left the covers behind, to await a later flight from Leopoldville or Lagos to Bathurst, instead of carrying them across the ocean, as Singley hinted? Priddy illustrated a cover from South Africa endorsed for the Leopoldville to Bathurst run that traveled as far as Lagos before being offloaded on December 13, which adds weight to the suspicion that the bulk load of souvenir covers went no farther on that date.

One of my covers from Lagos to Bathurst has an unusual U.S. Army censor mark with five zeroes as the examiner’s serial number, and I have another from Leopoldville to Bathurst to the same addressee (a Pan Am employee) with the same censor mark and initials. Military postal history expert Russ Carter wrote to me, “This censor mark was applied in Washington, D.C., by the Counter Intelligence Division,

G2. Originally it was a sample handstamp sent to the G2 for approval of the design to be used by all Army censors. It was then used in G2 to tie resealing tapes of mail coming into the U.S. through Military Attaché mail and diplomatic pouches."

(We collectors inhabit a small world. The censor's initials V.E.E. stood for Victor E. Engstrom, who kept the device in his desk drawer. Engstrom was an APS life member and an expert on Scandinavian and Danish West Indies philately.) These westbound covers from Leopoldville and Lagos to Bathurst were probably flown back to the United States by diplomatic pouch to Washington, or were carried by a military courier. If so, that was exceptional service. Nearly all westbound first flight covers to Bathurst made the journey from there to New York by sea. I have one docketed April 2 by the recipient at Chicago.

February 14, 1942: First Air Mail, Liberia to U.S. via FAM 22? Not!

Liberia had been the first country to announce the inauguration of the air mail service that became FAM 22, and it was the only country to issue stamps dedicated to the first flight, but its first flight covers became a source of confusion and disappointment to collectors.

An article in the September 21, 1941, *New York Times* published this notice:

Air mail and passenger service between the United States and Liberia will shortly be started by Pan American Airways, according to Walter F. Walker, Liberia's Consul General in New York, and the Government of Liberia is (1) overprinting 800 sets of Liberia's current air-mail stamps for use as postage on first-flight covers from Monrovia, and (2) overprinting 15,000 copies of the Commonwealth commemorative stamps for air-mail use pending preparation of air-mail definitives.

Covers to be serviced at Monrovia may be sent to the Consulate at 25 Beaver Street, New York, "with sufficient postage to cover both forward and return postage." The rate contemplated is 50 cents per half-ounce or fraction thereof. At Monrovia a first-flight cachet will be applied.

The text of Walker's announcement, published in the September 27 issue of *Stamps* magazine, stated, "This service will be inaugurated about September 29th, instead of the latter part of November as originally planned." Miscommunication among planners, builders, operators, and publicists seems to have been rife, but that was the least of the difficulties that afflicted air transport service via Liberia.

Although protected from public scandal by a shroud of secrecy, Pan Am's Liberia operation had caused consternation and dismay at the War Department. In constructing Roberts Field, the nearby transfer point for land-based aircraft inland from the Fisherman's Lake flying boat terminal, Pan Am told its contracting officer in September 1941 that the "entire site was dense wooded jungle," which had to be cleared. But a naval intelligence report passed along to the Air Corps

stated that Roberts Field had been established at the existing Firestone Landing Field, in use since 1936, which had "two runways, composed of natural gravel and loam surface. The northeast-southwest runway was 2200 by 100 yards, and the north-south runway was 2600 by 100 yards. There was a steel hangar, forty feet wide and fifty feet long."

According to the 1952 book *Liberia: America's African Friend* by Robert Earle Anderson, after the War Department had contracted with Pan Am to deliver the lend-lease aircraft, "Without waiting for a formal contract or even a 'letter of intent' that could be looked to for reimbursement, Firestone went ahead with the construction of an airfield that in theory, since America was still at peace, was to be developed as a commercial airport." Pan Am later widened and lengthened the runways.

After Air Forces Ferrying Command personnel arrived there, "reports began to come in that PAA was needlessly wasting money and that there were tendencies to place PAA first and the war effort second." I have found no record of whether or not Air Corps Chief of Staff General Henry H. "Hap" Arnold took action to address reports that accused Pan Am of fraud, negligence, and lack of patriotism. Arnold and his assistant, General Carl A. "Tooey" Spaatz, had founded the airline in 1927. Trippe and his fellow investors had rescued them from insolvency and had built Pan Am into an indispensable arm of American air power. The company had secured exclusive landing rights in Liberia. The War Department probably could not have substituted another contractor, but these circumstances might have reinforced the Air Forces' resolve to militarize PAA-Africa less than a year later.

Finally the January 29, 1942, *Postal Bulletin* carried this notice:

The inauguration of air-mail service to Monrovia (Liberia) on F.A.M. Route 22, Miami to Leopoldville (Belgian Congo) is scheduled by the east-bound plane to leave Miami February 7 and the west-bound plane to leave Leopoldville February 13 and Monrovia February 14, 1942. The usual philatelic treatment (set forth in announcement in the *POSTAL BULLETIN* of November 4, 1941) will be given covers that may be carried each way between Miami and Monrovia and between San Juan and Monrovia.

That was not to be. The February 1942 issue of *Airpost Journal* led with the headline, "Report War Priorities Ban Dispatch of Monrovia Covers." The Miami and San Juan postmasters refunded payments for postage and returned covers intended for the first flight with letters explaining that the government had refused to make space available on the aircraft for souvenir mail.

But the Monrovia post office had serviced envelopes that had been submitted ever since the original announcements in September. Those were canceled and decorated with a large dated February 14 cachet, as illustrated here. Muller listed first flight covers from Monrovia to Belem, Brazil, and



Although the cachet on this cover commemorated the first flight from Liberia to the United States, the U.S. War and Post Office departments had forbidden Pan Am to carry souvenir covers on the February 14, 1942, flight from Fisherman's Lake. A pair of gray black 30¢ Albatross stamps, Scott C11, canceled February 6 at Monrovia, paid 50¢ air mail postage and a 10¢ registry fee. The ten-week voyage recorded by the April 27 and 28 New York City datestamps confirmed that the cover had crossed the ocean by ship, not by air.

to Port of Spain, Trinidad, as well as to Miami, but I have not seen one to either intermediate destination.

For the next year, conflicting information on how these covers had been transported appeared in air mail journals. The Liberian postmaster general and his American representative insisted the covers had been dispatched from Fisherman's Lake aboard the Clipper. They blamed the delay in transit on British Imperial Censorship at Trinidad. Pan Am and POD officials denied that the covers had been flown. The American Air Mail Society demurred.

The most credible research on this episode appeared in an article titled "A Study of the 1941–42 Liberia-U.S. FF Issue" by Stanley R. Rice in the March 31, 1958, issue of *Linn's Weekly Stamp News*. Rice reproduced Liberian contemporaneous postal notices and cited correspondence with a fellow collector in Monrovia: "My correspondent also mentioned that he hoped that my cover would catch the FIRST flight, which seemed to have taken place around June 23, 1942." His cover was postmarked June 22 at Monrovia and back-stamped July 6 at Miami and July 7 at New York City.

February 28, 1942: First Air Mail, Capetown to Leopoldville to Miami

The July 1942 *Aero Field* reported:

The [South African] Department of Posts announced on Feb. 28th that letters and postcards would be accepted for despatch to U.S.A. by air mail at the rate of 4/- per half ounce for letters and 2/- for postcards. No dates for despatch nor time for transit were given, but the shortest time possible is said to be 14 days. The mail is carried in alternate weeks by South African Airways and Sabena to Leopoldville, where it connects with Pan-American Airways service to Miami.

Muller listed and priced an inaugural flight cover for this route but did not report a special cachet to commemorate it. Transit time of two weeks or more would have meant mid-to late-March arrival at Miami of a first flight cover, which I have not yet found.

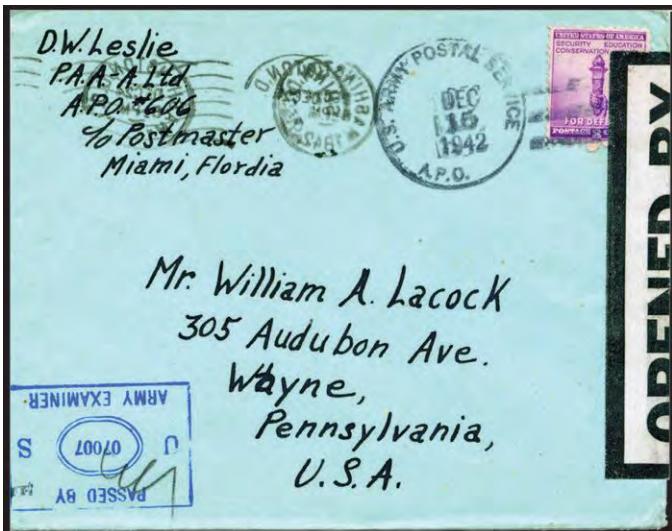
March 27, 1942: FAM 23 Service by TWA between the United States and Egypt

According to "The Early Development of Air Transport and Ferrying" by John D. Carter in *The Army Air Forces in World War II* edited by Wesley Frank Craven and James Lea Cate, Volume one, *Plans and Early Operations January 1939 to August 1942*: "In February [1942] Transcontinental & Western Air began operating a shuttle service from Washington to Cairo." On March 27, the POD designated this route as FAM 23, authorized to carry mail:

Route No. FAM 23, Transcontinental & Western Air, Inc.

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The Transcontinental & Western Air, Inc., being authorized temporarily by the Civil Aeronautics Board to engage in foreign air transportation with respect to persons, property and mail between the terminal point Washington, D.C., and the terminal point Cairo, Egypt, via the intermediate points West Palm Beach, Florida; Borinquen Field, Puerto Rico; Port of Spain, Trinidad; Belem, Brazil; Natal, Brazil; Freetown, Sierra Leone; Monrovia, Liberia; Takoradi, Gold Coast; Accra, Gold Coast; Lagos, Nigeria; Kano, Nigeria; El Obeid, Anglo-Egyptian Sudan; Khartoum, Anglo-Egyptian Sudan; and such other intermediate points between Natal, Brazil, and Cairo, Egypt, as may be required in the event of emergency, provided that mails shall not be carried between Washington, D.C., and West Palm Beach, Florida, or between Washington, D.C., and Borinquen Field, Puerto



Transcontinental and Western Air operated FAM 23 service between Washington and Cairo over the South Atlantic route. The December 24, 1942, Washington, D.C., transit backstamp on this cover identified it as having been transported from U.S. Army Post Office No. 606 at Accra, Gold Coast, aboard a Foreign Air Mail route No. 23 flight. The violet 3¢ Torch of Enlightenment stamp, Scott 901, paid only the surface letter rate but transport by ship was not available for letters that originated at American APOs in Africa. (Nine days for trans-Atlantic service further verified air transport.) After arrival at the U.S. gateway, the rest of the trip to Wayne, Pennsylvania, was by rail.

Rico, mail service is hereby authorized on the route, the outbound mails made up by U.S. exchange offices (United States and Foreign transit mails) and any incoming United States mails to be carried without expense to the Post Office Department in accordance with agreement of the carrier.

The final clause of the order was a circumspect way of stating that there was no mail contract between the POD and TWA; TWA was the War Department's contractor, which the POD authorized to carry commercial mail on this route.

The illustrated December 15, 1942, cover from Army Post Office No. 606 at Accra, Gold Coast, to Wayne, Pennsylvania, can be identified as a FAM 23 cover by the December 24 Washington, D.C., transit backstamp. It's ironic that a holiday letter or card mailed by an employee of PAA-Africa had been transported by Pan Am's rival, TWA. Both airlines operated Air Transport Command contract offices at Accra.

The Battle for Air Mail Supremacy in Egypt

The choice of TWA as the FAM 23 carrier might have echoed a struggle then being waged out of sight by British and American commanders on behalf of their respective national airlines. A February 2, 1942, letter from Sir Arthur Harris, the commander-in-chief of British air operations, to General Arnold, his American counterpart, fired the opening salvo:

I have now received information from Tedder [Air Marshal Sir Arthur Tedder, commander of air operations in North Africa and the Middle East] that Pan American Airways have opened a booking office in Cairo. We are greatly concerned about these developments because, as you are aware, Pan American Airways have undertaken an obligation to maintain a twice daily service between Takoradi and Khartoum and are at present providing only five flights weekly.

A memorandum from the Ferrying Command chief,

General Robert Olds, to General Arnold pointed out that Pan Am had met all its obligations, that the British government had approved changes in Pan Am's contractual obligations, and that "The contract authorized full commercial rights to Pan American Airways trans-Africa Ltd." It seemed obvious that the British commanders were using this ploy to protect British Overseas Airways commercial interests.

General Arnold replied to Air Marshal Harris on February 20:

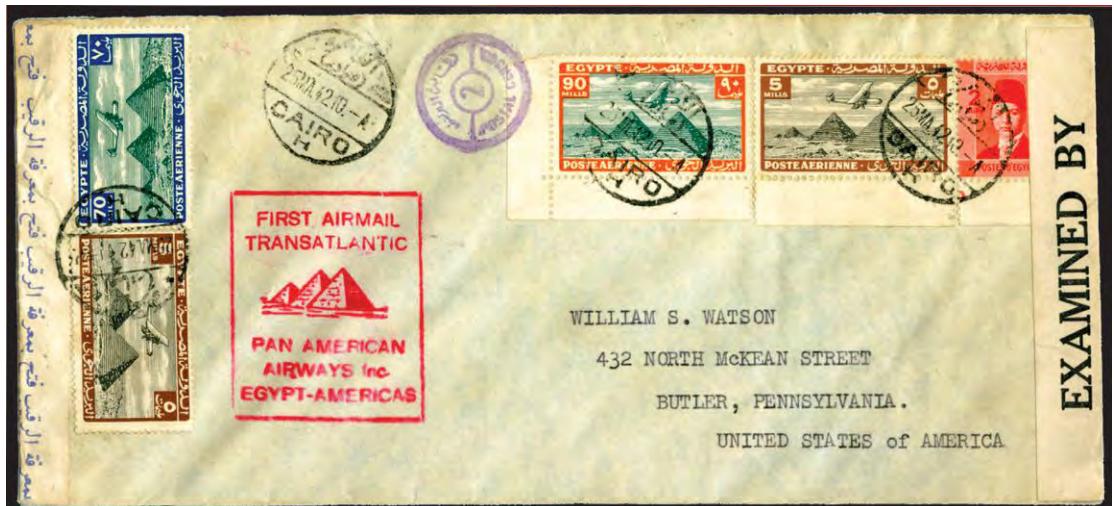
I have investigated the matters referred to and find that Pan American Airways are carrying only such commercial passengers and mail out of Cairo as space permits after American and British government priorities have been fully satisfied. This I believe is fully in accordance with the Pan American contract which was concurred in by the British Government.

That seems to have settled the matter, but reading between the lines I wonder if the Air Corps contract for TWA's service to Cairo might have been intended to emphasize official support for American commercial carriers.

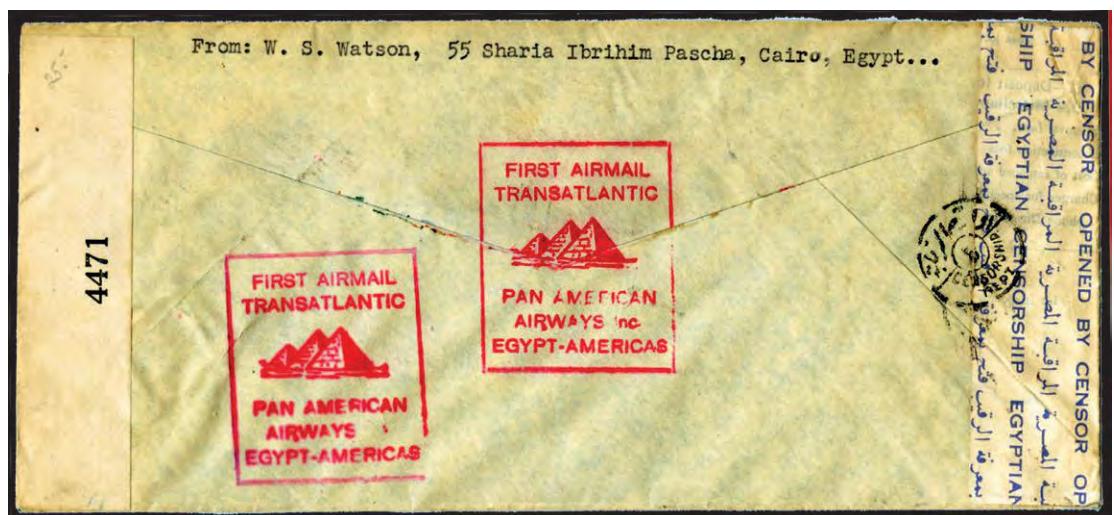
May 25, 1942: FAM 22 Service by Pan Am First from Egypt to the United States

The spat between British and American commanders might have briefly delayed the debut of Pan Am's commercial mail and passenger services at Cairo, but according to *The Chosen Instrument* by Marylin Bender and Selig Altschul, Pan Am's special representative James H. Smith Jr. "obtained a mail contract from the Egyptian Government by offering to do it a favor in expediting communication with the United States. B.O.A.C. saw this as a postwar maneuver — which, of course, it was."

Pan Am's airport manager at Cairo, William S. Watson,



PAA-Africa staff at Cairo prepared a small number of souvenir covers for the May 25, 1942, inaugural flight from Cairo via Liberia and Brazil to Miami. An Egyptian censor at Cairo and a U.S. censor at Miami examined and passed this cover en route. Total postage of 172 milliemes consisted of these stamps: one vermilion 2-milliemes King Farouk definitive, Egypt Scott 207; two deep brown and black 5-milliemes, one dark blue and blue green 70-milliemes, and one orange and blue green 90-milliemes Airplane over Giza Pyramids air mail stamps, Egypt Scott C10, C21, and C23. That amount was equal to 22 milliemes surface letter postage for up to 20 grams of weight plus double the 75 milliemes air surcharge required for each increment of 5 grams or less.



serviced souvenir covers for the May 25, 1942, inaugural flight from Cairo to Fisherman's Lake by twin-engine DC-3 aircraft, and onward to Miami aboard a Boeing B-314 Clipper flying boat. A PAA-Africa man named John Snow had prepared fewer than 100 cacheted envelopes for the occasion, distributed among Pan Am staff members.

Considering the January order that had banned souvenir flight covers from Liberia, these were surprising exceptions. Censorship tapes and markings applied at Miami prove that they were flown, not sent by ship.

In Conclusion

After the initial FAM 22 flight in December 1941, additional acceptances of air mail for the South Atlantic route — from Gold Coast, Syria and Lebanon, Liberia, and Egypt — experienced delays until March of 1942 or later, verified by inaugural flight covers posted at each of those locations. Urgent military needs had been responsible for the delays. Growth of ATC's inventory of land-based aircraft solved the problems. By June of 1942, service had become efficient and reliable. The Air Force's official history summed up the story:

Pan American opened the two-engine service to Natal early in February 1942. For several weeks no fixed schedules were flown, but by the end of the month, equipped with five C-53's, the contractor was operating a regular schedule of approximately three round trips a week. Pan American gradually increased this service as more planes became available and as the volume of air traffic grew. By the end of June, the number of planes in use had grown to fourteen and two round trips a day were being flown over the 4,000-mile route....

By June the Pan American Clippers were flying only the transoceanic leg of the route except for necessary trips back to New York for inspection and overhaul.

Studied from that perspective, FAM 22 inaugural flight covers can teach useful lessons to postal history collectors who often treat souvenir covers as insignificant. The examples I have illustrated and discussed here overlap the integration of transport services by flying boats and land-based aircraft to, from, and across Africa.

As an example of the route choices then in effect, the illustrated October 23, 1942, air mail cover from APO 665 at Elizabethville, Belgian Congo, might have been carried to Miami aboard a FAM 22 Clipper, but it is far more likely



The so-called Congo Route of ATC's Africa-Middle East Wing went from Accra, Gold Coast, to Pointe Noire, French Congo, to Leopoldville and Elizabethville, Belgian Congo, to Nairobi, Kenya, and back. This October 23, 1942, cover from APO 665 at Elizabethville to Allentown, Pennsylvania, was almost certainly carried by that route to Accra, and from Gold Coast via Brazil to Miami. The orange 6¢ Monoplane air mail stamped envelope, Scott UC3, paid the concessionary air mail rate to and from active-duty members of the U.S. armed forces overseas.

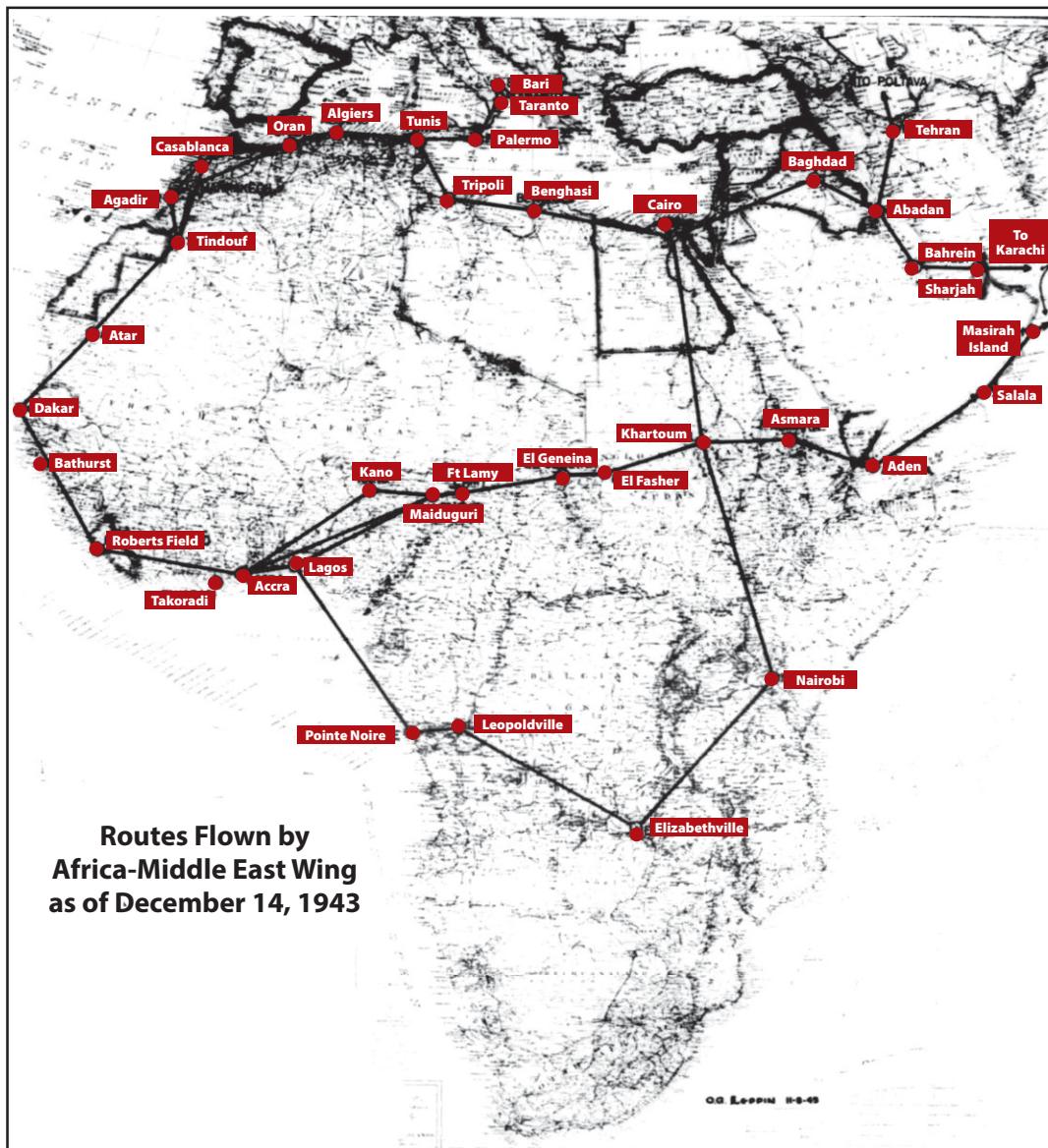
After ATC took over PAA-Africa and transferred all of Pan Am's flying boats to the Navy, these were the routes across Africa served by ATC's Africa-Middle East Wing and its contract carriers, with trans-Atlantic connections at Accra, Gold Coast; Roberts Field, Liberia; and Dakar, Senegal, flown entirely by land-based aircraft. Beginning in November 1942 an ATC landing strip on Ascension Island midway between Africa and South America provided a refueling stop for short-range aircraft.

For a larger map, visit www.stamps.org/American-Philatelist/AP-Album.

that it was carried by the Africa-Middle East Wing of ATC over its Southern Route, also called the "Congo Route," to Accra, and from there by land-based aircraft to Miami, a FAM 22 route that persisted for the duration of the war. The APO operated at Elizabethville only from October 9, 1942, to February 13, 1943; mail from that base is seldom seen.

Pan Am's bases across Africa were militarized between late October and early December 1942. Some time in May 1943 — about one year after Pan Am's inaugural flight from Cairo — the last Boeing B-314 flying boat flew the South Atlantic route. After that, ATC's land-based aircraft carried all FAM 22 mail, crossing the continents and the ocean several times per day over the main flyways.

The Army transferred to the Navy all its seaplanes and the Fisherman's Lake base in Liberia, which became an occasional port of call on the Navy's North



Atlantic FAM 18 service between New York and Lisbon. In a note appended to the proposed transfer recommendation, Deputy Chief of Air Staff General Laurence S. Kuter wrote, “Believe we should leave all of the obsolete flying boat business with our friends in the Navy.” Thus by June 1943 the War Department had implemented — over the South Atlantic route and across Africa — the vision that Pan Am’s president Juan Trippe had outlined in his June 1941 speech.

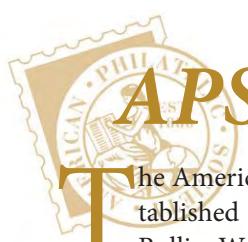
When Pan Am briefly restored commercial flying boat service between Miami and Leopoldville from September 1944 to January 1945, it flew the aging Martin M-130 *China Clipper* under a Navy contract. But the Post Office and War departments refused to relinquish FAM 22 service to the airline. The only foreign mail calls they allowed Pan Am to reclaim were Liberia and Belgian Congo. The Air Transport Command retained all other civilian and military South Atlantic, trans-Africa, and Africa-Orient mail service to and from countries that had been listed in the POD’s December 1941 FAM 22 notice, and all mail that originated from other countries collected en route, until after the Japanese surrender. That’s a story for another day.

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APS Hall of Fame Inductees for 2014

The American Philatelic Society Hall of Fame was established at the 1940 APS Convention by President Rollin W. Flower. The award recognizes collectors posthumously for a lifetime of outstanding service in philately. The first class of honorees in 1941 included philatelic luminaries Sir Rowland Hill, John Nicholas Luff, John Walter Scott, Thomas Keay Tapling, John Kerr Tiffany, James Ludovic Lindsay (26th Earl of Crawford), Philip Mathias Wolfsieffer, Charles Easterly Severen, Frederick John Melville, Charles Lathrop Pack, Charles James Phillips, Edward Spring Knapp, Beverly Sedwick King, Hugh McLellan Southgate, and Ralph Andrews Barry.

This year's honorees are William Wallace Cleland, Bernard A. Hennig, and Max Kronstein.

William Wallace Cleland (1930–2013)

Wallace Cleland was a collector, researcher, and author on many U.S. stamps and revenues stamps. His writings included

more than 250 articles published by the *United States Specialist* (publication of the United States Stamp Society) and the *Canal Zone Philatelist* (published by the Canal Zone Study Group). He served the USSS as its president and was chairman of its board from 1992 through 1997. He was known by many in the hobby as one of the foremost experts in United States plate blocks and

tracking plate numbers. He shared that knowledge through his editing of the *Durland Standard Plate Number Catalog*, starting in 1994. The society honored him in 2006 with the George W. Brett Century of Service Award and in 2009 with induction into the USSS Hall of Fame.

Cleland also was a member of the American Philatelic Society's Expertizing Service. In 2008 he received the Smithsonian's National Postal Museum's Philatelic Achievement Award. At the museum he assisted with its revenue stamps cataloging project. In 2009 the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs inducted him into its Hall of Fame.

Bernard A. Hennig (1917–2014)

Bernard A. "Bud" Hennig dedicated his life to philately for more than sixty years, impacting not only his local Chicago collecting community, but beyond. He was the lead author of the first edition of the American Philatelic Society's *Manual of Philatelic Judging*, as well as serving for twelve years on the APS Judges Accreditation Committee.

In the early 1980s Hennig was the president of the Collectors Club of Chicago and the Chicago Philatelic Society. He was the chairman of the AMERIPEX '86 international

philatelic exhibition.

Hennig's exhibiting expertise included a gold medal-winning exhibit of Danzig at the Fifth International Philatelic Exhibition in 1956 in New York City. He also exhibited material including German Air Mails, German East Africa, Vatican City, and Guatemalan Air Mails.



Hennig was a member of the board of the American Philatelic Research Library from 1975 until 1997. The Bernard A. and Dolores Hennig Room at the American Philatelic Center in Bellefonte, Pennsylvania is named in his honor through a donation fund that was created by him and his wife.

In 1982 he signed Great Britain's Roll of Distinguished Philatelists. He was elected to membership of the Royal Philatelic Society London in October 1957, was named a Fellow in November 1969, and remained a member until December 2007. In 1982 Hennig was awarded the APS John N. Luff Award for service to the American Philatelic Society. He also received the Smithsonian Institution's Philatelic Achievement Award in 2008, the Hunt Memorial Award of the German Philatelic Society, the Hans Lagerloef Award from the Society of Philatelic Americans, the Saul Newbury Award from the Chicago Philatelic Society, and the Medal of Honor of the Philatelic Federation of Germany.

Max Kronstein (1895–1992)

The area of aerophilately was strongly researched by Dr. Max Kronstein. His knowledge of astrophilately and pioneer rocket mail shaped his focus on the subject for more than seventy years. He exhibited, wrote articles for the *Air Post Journal* (published by the American Air Mail Society), and published books and catalogs, all in the fields of aerophilately and astrophilately. His works included the books *Pioneer Airpost Flights of the World 1830–1935* (published 1978) and *Rocket Mail Flights of the World to 1986*. His catalog efforts were focused on the early European flight covers and Zeppelin covers for the *American Air Mail Catalogue*.



The American Air Mail Society honored Kronstein with induction into its Hall of Fame, and also awarded him with the Walter J. Conrath Memorial Award, the George W. Angers Memorial award, and the first Gatchell Literature Award. He is also a Hall of Fame inductee of the APS Writers Unit # 30.

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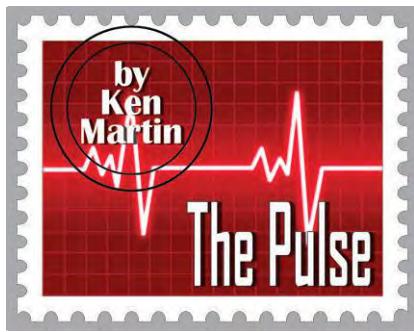
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Website Updates & AmeriStamp Expo App

Two of the more popular features on our website were updated in late December. **Free downloadable album pages** are now available for the 2014 United States stamps and a **preliminary schedule of 2015 United States stamps** has been posted. Both of these can be found under the Stamp Collecting Tab, which is the leftmost tab on the blue bar just below the banner at the top of each page. The direct links are <http://stamps.org/US-New-Issues> and <http://stamps.org/free-album-pages>. In addition to the 2015 schedule, U.S. New Issue information also is available for 2010–2014, while our album pages for U.S. stamps go back to 2008.

Updated information on our February 13–15 Riverside, California **AmeriStamp Expo** show, including a mobile application, was added to our website in December. The mobile app includes the show schedule, participating dealers, list of exhibits, and the floor plan. We are delighted to have a waiting list of dealers. The show will include a U.S. first day ceremony for the 70-cent Vintage Rose and Tulip stamps and a Marshall Islands first day for five 49-cent Sweet Berry stamps. While supplies last, APS members in attendance will receive a coupon book with more than sixty specials offered by dealers and local attractions, plus a tote bag.



New York 2016



World Stamp Show

Without overlooking our own StampShow 2015, to be held August 20–23 in Grand Rapids, Michigan, it's not too soon to start thinking about World Stamp Show New York. This event occurs once a decade in the United States and will be held May 28–June 4, 2016. As of the close of 2014, booth commitments have been received from 128 dealers. There are also commitments from forty-eight Societies and seventy-seven countries have nominated Commissioners to carry exhibits to fill the planned 4,000 frames. By the time you read this, the New York 2016 show bulletin and exhibiting information should be available from their website, www.ny2016.org. Twelve contracts have been signed with show hotels, with prices as low as \$99/night up to \$269/night at the headquarters property.

Stamps Teach & More

I'm delighted to report that interest in Stamps Teach has exploded. This program provides educators with postage stamp-related material to add fun and interest to their current curriculum while exposing students to world geography, languages, currencies, culture, history, and art. The program focuses on the third through fifth grades, and we now have 2,651 teachers with 29,555 students spread among all fifty states.

Generous membership support and foundation grants provided in excess of \$75,000 to fund the first three years of the program, but as these funds are now nearly exhausted we have had to temporarily halt accepting new teachers and students. The out-of-pocket expenses for the materials for each teacher kit cost us about \$13. We continue to submit grant requests to allow us to continue to grow the program, but in the meantime a gift of just \$13 could help us expose twenty-five or more kids to postage stamps and enhance their educational experience.

Stamps Teach is the first of three opportunities meant to engage youth in philately and insure a bright future for our hobby. The second step is our Internet-based **Young Stamp Collectors of America** program. YSCA membership usually costs \$10 per child, but a free one-year membership is being offered to all Stamps Teach program students.

Committed YSCA members and other advanced youth collectors may take a final step by applying for a **Young**

Philatelic Leaders Fellowship. This program provides Fellows with a year-long program that includes visits to the American Philatelic Center, National Postal Museum, and the APS summer and winter shows. Youth are assigned a mentor and must complete a project. The APS (through generous donors) picks up the entire cost of about \$5,000 per fellow. The young people selected for the program have no personal costs other than a significant time commitment. Applications for 2015–2016 Fellows are being accepted through April 30, 2015. If you know someone between the ages of 13 and 25 who would make a good Fellow, please recommend them by submitting their name using an online form at the APS website: <http://stamps.org/Recommend-a-Fellow>

Summer Seminar Scholarships

Although not formally part of the three-step progression outlined above, we offer another significant opportunity for youth: scholarships for our annual week-long **Summer Seminar** in Bellefonte, for which course information is now available at <http://stamps.org/summer-seminar>. If you do not use the Internet, please



write us or contact Education Director Gretchen Moody by phone (814-933-3803, ext. 239) and she will be happy to get you information on Stamps Teach, the YSCA, YPLF, or Summer Seminar.

Young Friends of APS

APS also has an active group for collectors who no longer qualify as youth. The Young Friends of APS social alliance is open to all APS members between the ages of 20–49. You may have read an account of their August 2014 Hartford, Connecticut kickoff event in the November issue of *The American Philatelist* (page 1054). Their second event will be held at our Riverside AmeriStamp Expo show. Anyone interested in receiving more information about the group and its planned activities is encouraged to e-mail James Weigant at jamesweigant@sbcglobal.net.

Lots of Visitors!

December, January, and February are typically our slowest months for visitors; however, this year we have been delighted to have a steady stream of visitors taking advantage of the holidays to visit us. Library Board member **Peter Martin** visited us to work on the archives

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of the State Revenue Society and National Duck Stamp Collectors Society. Smithsonian National Postal Museum curator **Dan Piazza** and volunteer **Mike Plett** visited to do research. And then, about a week later, a small group from the **Washington Collectors Club** visited. APS Board member **Steve Zwillinger** visited to prepare for his final apprenticeship to become an accredited judge and Membership Committee member **Gerry Robbins and his wife Karen** also visited as they prepare to build a home and relocate to Central Pennsylvania.

Major Gifts

The major gifts also keep coming into the Library. On December 26 I traveled to western Massachusetts to pick up the research files from **Robert Markovits** relating to his collection of United States officials that were sold by Matthew Bennett ten years ago. This capped quite a year for the Library, which spent significant time inventorying and producing finding aids for the donated research material of **Tom Alexander** (several pallets on a tractor trailer), **Wallace Cleland**, **Richard Graham**, and **Harlan Stone**. We're blessed to have a facility that can accommodate the research materials of philately's greats and maintain them for the next generation of collectors.

Member News

I was sad to learn that after nine years **Jack Standen**, who worked for many years in our Circuit Sales division, has given up his monthly stamp collecting column for *The Chronicle-Telegram*, the daily newspaper in Elyria, Ohio (Lorain County, just west of Cleveland). However, I was delighted to hear that **Dennis Sadowski**, who served as the local publicity chair for StampShow 1999 when it was held in Cleveland, has agreed to continue the column. In fact, Dennis is in discussion with the paper's Managing Editor to double the column's frequency. Good luck, Dennis, and thanks Jack for your many years of service.

For several years **Joe Bell** and his wife **Mary Anne** have regularly driven more than 150 miles round trip to volunteer in our Education Department at the American Philatelic Center. Although largely unknown outside of the Johnstown (Pennsylvania) Stamp Club of which he was a member, Joe and Mary Anne performed dedicated and valuable service to the APS. We knew Joe's health had declined, as he had required a wheelchair for his most recent visits, but it was still quite a shock to learn of his passing just before Christmas. I know many of you also quietly provide valuable service to the hobby. Even if not formally noticed, please know that your efforts are equally appreciated.

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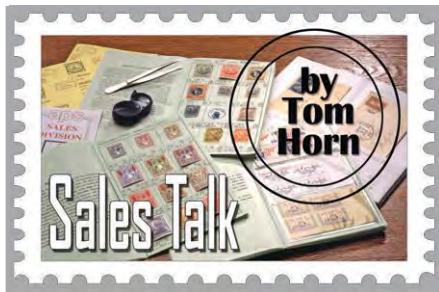
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Purchasing Venue Comparisons

I would like to begin my discussion on choosing a venue for obtaining philatelic items for your collection by saying that **you do not need to limit your buying to one venue**. There are approval services offered by the APS and by dealers, online auction sites, online net-price sites, auctions offered at specific locations and times, stamp shops, stamp shows and bourses, antique shops and flea markets, and probably many others. And at any given time, any one of these may be the venue best suited to your needs; indeed, most collectors use a variety of search and purchase options. What I want to cover here are comparisons among seven major venues:

- APS Circuit/Dealer Approvals
- Online Auctions
- APS StampStore/Online Sales
- Stamp Shows
- Commercial Stamp Shops
- Live Auctions
- Antique Shops/Flea Markets

These comparisons will address:
1) Costs of buying; 2) Viewing the items;
3) Convenience of shopping; 4) Pricing;
5) Customer service; 6) Integrity of the offerings.

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Costs of buying — 1) Return or forwarding postage for material you do not buy and for mailing the payment to APS. 2) An Insurance Fund Fee and buyer's fee charged by APS. 3) Any additional mailing services required by the seller/dealer.

Viewing the items — The actual items are in the sales books or the packets you receive in the mail for you to examine.

Convenience — Approval material is delivered to your home and you have about a week to make purchase decisions. Payment options are Visa, MasterCard, Discover, check, money order or cash for APS purchases, and the same plus other payment options for dealers.

Pricing — Most items will be 50% of catalogue value or less.

Customer service — APS supports every sale with knowledgeable resources. An experienced staff resolves problems with any situation. Dealers specify their sale terms and usually have good service.

Integrity of the offerings —

Knowledgeable examiners review stamps of many offered areas in sales books and all sales are backed by a money back guarantee. Dealers accurately identify their material to avoid problems with returns.

Online Auctions

Costs of buying — Typically shipping and handling fees, postal insurance/amounts, and a buyer's fee.

Viewing the items — Items are scanned and offered for online viewing only. Although eBay is probably the most recognizable site, many dealers also offer online auctions.

Convenience — Items are available for purchase 24/7 and are delivered to you at home or your place of employment.

Pricing — Pricing is subject to the interest in bidding from other buyers. Buyers have gotten items for as little as 10% of catalogue value or paid as much as 85% of catalog value for a hotly contested item. Because sales occur in a micro-market place, immediate supply and demand takes over.

Customer service — This will depend

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Integrity of the offerings — The scans may tell you what you need to know and you should be able to question the seller before entering a bid. A seller's membership in the APS is a plus.

APS StampStore/Other Online Sales Sites

Costs of buying — Typically shipping and handling fees, plus postal insurance amounts.

Viewing the items — Items are scanned and offered for viewing online only.

Convenience — Items are available for purchase 24/7 and are delivered to you at home or your place of employment.

Pricing — Most items will be 50% of catalogue value or less. However, there may be many copies of an item showing online and you have the advantage of selecting the example with the best value for the price. Instead of bidding against other buyers, you select the item that fits into your purchase decisions.

Customer service — You have the choice of working with an individual or an organization when needing some assistance with any issue. This not to say that one is better than the other; however, an organization like the APS, which

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Stamp Shows

Costs of buying — The costs of attending a stamp show include transportation, parking at the show venue, the lodging and meals during your stay, and may include show entry fees.

Viewing the items — The actual items are on display at the dealer tables, and potential buyers can inspect the stamps for description accuracy.

Convenience — Stamp shows offer the convenience of comparing

condition and pricing of wanted items between dealers and immediate purchasing. Dealers also can be a great source of information about material.

Pricing — There may be a wide range of prices for material offered at the show with a wide range of condition as well. Dealers offer specials during the shows that may drop the prices below 50% or more of catalogue value.

Customer service — Dealers at stamp shows try to build a customer base and it is easier to develop a good relationship with them face to face. When they know you have a particular collecting interest, they may contact you after the show about additional material that might fit your collection.

Integrity of the offerings — Dealers have taken the time to know what they are selling, particularly within their specialty areas. Membership in the APS and in a dealer organization is a plus.



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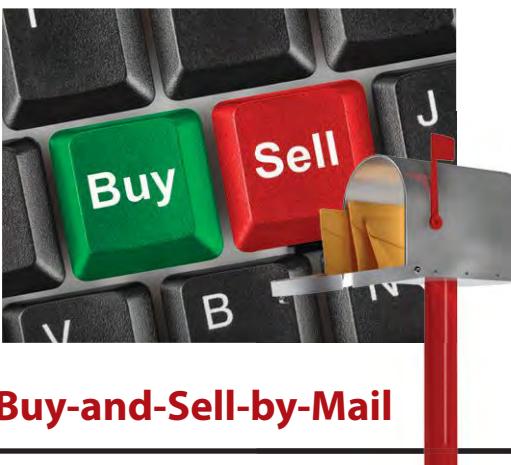
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Costs of buying — Transportation to and parking near the shop must figure in the costs.

Viewing the items — The actual items are on display and potential buyers can inspect them for description accuracy.

Convenience — You have the items in-hand as you buy them. The dealer

also may offer information about other material for your collection. The shop has regular hours, so you can visit when your schedule allows.

Pricing — There may be a wide range of prices for the material offered at the shop and a wide range of condition as well. The store might offer specials and/or have material divided into various pricing percentages of

catalog values. Store overhead may affect the pricing policy.

Customer service — A stamp shop tries to build a customer base and it is easier to develop a good relationship with them face to face. When they know you have a particular collecting interest, they may contact you about material they find that might fit your collection.

Integrity of the offerings — Stamp store owners have taken the time to know what they are selling, particularly within their specialty areas. Membership in the APS and in a dealer organization is a plus.

Live Auctions

Costs of buying — Postage, buyer fees, transportation and parking, lodging, meals, and agent fees may be included. Having an agent bid for you adds that cost plus shipping charges, while eliminating the attendance costs.

Viewing the items — If you attend the auction, you have the advantage of seeing the items before bidding on them. Otherwise, the items are available to see as scans or printed catalogue pictures. Some auction houses will let you handle the items and some will not.

Convenience — You can go home with the items you won in the auction, but you may be outbid for the items you really want to own. Also, participation in the auction, either in person or by calling in, would require you to provide time in your schedule.

Pricing — Prices will depend on the auction participants or their agents. Sometimes, very good deals can be had.

Customer service — Expertizing and return policies are specified in the auction catalogues and online. Auction houses follow those policies closely and you will find them to be helpful with issues that fall within their terms of sale.

Integrity of the offerings — Auction houses with specialties know the material in those specialties. They tend to be careful and accurate



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about the descriptions, since it costs money to handle returns. They might have obtained certificates for the higher valued items.

Antique Shops/ Flea Markets

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Viewing the items — Items of interest may be in the boxes on tables, but you will need to spend time browsing with no guarantee of finding anything of interest. Generally, items may be handled for inspection and purchase decisions.

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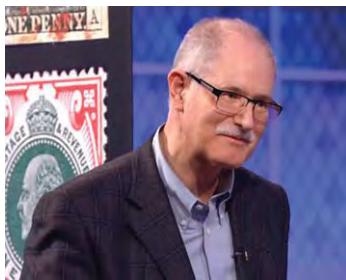
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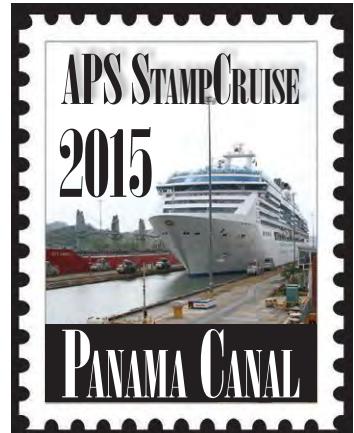
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Aman, William (224041) **Webster, NY** US AIR MAILED, REVENUES/TAX PAIDS (FEDERAL), 19TH CENTURY, PARCEL POST, SPECIAL DELIVERIES-CANADIAN AIR MAILED
 Aronson, Peter (223996) **New York, NY** US; 58; Attorney
 Barhoover, John R. (224044) **Cortland, OH** CANADA-GERMANY-RUSSIA-PRE 1955 BRITISH EMPIRE; 67; Retired
 Bergseth, Robert R. (223988) **Beavercreek, OH** US 19TH & 20TH CENTURY-DENMARK-FINLAND-NORWAY-SWEDEN; 69; Retired
 Betz, Thomas D. (224047) **Beaverton, OR** US-NORTH AMERICA-EUROPEAN LOCALS-REVOLUTION-BREAK AWAY REPUBLICS-CARRIAGES-BUS LINES; 74; Retired
 Blanda, Raymond G. (223975) **Westerly, RI** WORLDWIDE-US; 68; Retired
 Blinn, Kenneth P. (224008) **Slippery Rock, PA** TOPICAL; 72; Retired
 Brewer, Charles (224018) **Rochester, MA** US SPECIMENS-USED WORLDWIDE
 Broecker, Dennis (224005) **Haslet, TX** FOREIGN STAMPLESS COVERS, PERFINS, FDC, POSTAL HISTORY, LOCAL/PRIVATE POST-AUTHORS/LITERATURE/LIBRARIES; 66
 Card-Stock, Marie T. (S-224019) **Los Alamitos, CA** AUSTRALIA; Hair Stylist
 Cardinal, William E. (224063) **Hawthorne, FL** US, 19TH & 20TH CENTURY, AIR MAILED; 89
 Chuah, Hoe (223986) **Houston, TX** CHINA-MALAY STATES-CHINESE ARTS-BONSAI-TREES-BUTTERFLIES; 64; Retired
 Correll, Earl F. (224040) **Palos Hills, IL** US 19TH CENTURY, OFFICIALS; 77
 Dailey, Robert (224007) **Pearlville, TX** US 19TH CENTURY-CANADA, PROVINCES-FRANCE-GERMAN THIRD REICH/OCCUPATIONS-SOUTH AMERICA; 50; Account Manager
 Davison, Robbie (224064) **Stanwood, WA**
 Demmel, Johann G. (224065) **Tucson, AZ** SOCCER-GERMANY-US COMMEMORATIVES;
 54

Dew, Jonathan (224039) **Syracuse, UT** LUXEMBOURG-GERMANY, STATES, THIRD REICH/OCCUPATIONS
 Diez, Dario A. (224009) **Miami, FL** PRE 1918 COLOMBIA-POSTAL STATIONERY; 70; Retired
 Dow, Paul (224037) **Coral Springs, FL** US COMMEMORATIVES/PANELS, BLOCKS/GUIDELINE BLOCKS; 59; Transaction Manager
 Ellis, Wendell R. (224031) **Kelso, WA** OLD US, EUROPE, SALVADOR; 67; Retired
 Eng, Agnes (224002) **Medford, NJ**; 62
 Evanitsky, Joseph J. (223997) **Vestal, NY** USED US; 63; Retired
 Ferrari-D'Angelo, Ede (224022) **Orange, CA** US, COMMEMORATIVES, ERRORS/FREAKS/ODDITIES, FDC, SPECIAL EVENT COVERS/CANCELS-USED WORLDWIDE; 67
 Ferri, Brian D. (224048) **Saunderstown, RI** US; 43; Grocery Manager
 Fien, Richard B. (224017) **Miami, FL** US COMMEMORATIVES, AIR MAILED, FDC; 63; College Professor
 Fitzgerald, Enarra (224000) **Portland, OR** MAPS-ISRAEL-AMATEUR/HAM RADIO-ART; 63; Writer
 Flood, Sarah E. (224006) **Bethlehem, PA**
 Foley, Elbert D. (224010) **Somerville, TX** US-GERMANY; 83; Retired
 Frowley, Norman (224056) **South Orange, NJ** US 20TH CENTURY
 Gibb, Malcolm D. (224066) **Monson, MA** CANADA; 77; Retired
 Goldman, Ira (224049) **Waterbury, CT** MINT US, FDC; 75; Retired
 Hafner, Robert (223969) **Quakertown, PA** US, COIL LINE PAIRS, PLATE BLOCKS; 48
 Hall, Russell (223998) **Fort Myers, FL**; 65; Engineer Designer
 Heiserer, Alfred (224050) **Lake Ronkonkoma, NY** 1900 FDC; 77; Retired
 Hendricks, Danny O. (223976) **Dripping Springs, TX** US, COMMEMORATIVES, CONFEDERATE STATES, FDC, SOUVENIR SHEETS, USED; 55; Certified Appraiser
 Houston, Pam (223980) **Seymour, MO**
 Hutton, Elliott (224003) **Pleasanton, CA**
 Icove, David J. (223981) **Knoxville, TN**; 65
 Ingleston, Kama L. (223985) **Crown Point, NY** MINT US, FDC, CACHETS & CANCEL DESIGNS; 58; Retired
 Jenkins, Woody (224026) **Baton Rouge, LA** US COVERS, CIVIL WAR COVERS, CONFEDERATE STATES, NEWSPAPERS & PERIODICALS, LA POSTAL HISTORY, LOCALS; Journalist

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Applications 223666, 223675, 223781 through 223890 as previously published have been accepted for membership by the Board of Vice Presidents.

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Joseph, Patricia (224028) **Green Valley, AZ** US CLASSICS, BUREAU ISSUES-BRITISH COLONIES-ISRAEL-VATICAN CITY-BRITISH COMMONWEALTH; 81
 Kilger, Bobbie (224038) **Corsicana, TX**
 Kowalski, William L. (224067) **Lakewood, WA** US; 74; Retired
 Kyle, Marcella (223970) **Georgetown, TX**
 Lane, John (224027) **Fishkill, NY** IRELAND-UN-CHILDREN/IYC
 Layman, Lloyd (224068) **Union, WA** US; 73; Retired
 MacCarthy, Michael S. (224051) **Santa Rosa, CA** US; 67; Auto Parts Driver
 Madden, Allan R. (224011) **Lawrence, KS** MINT US, PLATE BLOCKS; 88; Retired
 Malone, Brad J. (224060) **Rockwall, TX** CLASSIC; 45; Sales
 Martincheck, David (224032) **Houston, TX** US-RUSSIA-SOUVENIR CARDS; 44; Physician
 McCool, Stephen (224054) **Glen Burnie, MD** US COMMEMORATIVES, PLATE BLOCKS, AIR MAILED
 McCubbin, Jack (224030) **Texarkana, TX**; 69
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Miller, Jennifer J. (224045) **Fair Oaks, CA** HAWAII; 62; Retired

Miller, Tomas C. (224057) **Potomac, MD** US
AIR MAIIS-COSTA RICA-NICARAGUA; 52; Economist

Moske, W. Thomas (224020) **Gardena, CA** US; 76; Retired

Myers, William O. (224062) **Mechanicsburg, PA** US, 19TH & 20TH CENTURY, COMMEMORATIVES, DUCK/HUNTING/FISHING; 66

Nobley, Ron (224012) **Cave Creek, AZ** OLDER US-WORLDWIDE; 67; Retired

Olson, Jon (224055) **Newton Center, MA** US
19TH & 20TH CENTURY, AIR MAIIS; 59

Olson, Neal A. (224021) **Alexandria, MN**; 87

Patin, Ned (224004) **Lakewood, CO** US, 19TH & 20TH CENTURY, ERRORS/FREAKS/ODDITIES-FRANCE-STAMP DESIGN ERRORS; 68; Retired

Patten, Phyllis R. (224061) **Towanda, PA** US, CHRISTMAS/FDC, HISTORICAL; 86; Retired

Pearson, Christopher (223994) **Chatham, MA** US
20TH CENTURY; 68

Poulos, Dennis (224033) **Hawthorne, NJ** EARLY US-EUROPE-FDR-SPACE EXPLORATION-NASA-MOVIES

Poulsen, Gladys M. (224069) **Lenexa, KS**; 83

Power, Michael G. (224034) **Kapuskasing, ON**
WORLDWIDE-US-CANADA-GREAT BRITAIN; 56; Physician

Price, Christina D. (223974) **Huntington Beach, CA** US, 19TH CENTURY, AIR MAIIS, CHRISTMAS SEALS, PARCEL POST-AVIATION; 38

Pristave, Dennis M. (223992) **Aurora, IL** US, USED, SOUVENIR SHEETS, COMMEMORATIVES, DEFINITIVES, AIR MAIIS; 64; Engineer

Raven, Bernie (224001) **Fall City, WA** US 19TH CENTURY

Refosco, Fabio (224035) **Rock Hill, SC** RELIGION-VATICAN CITY-US-AUTOMOBILES-DOGS-EUROPA/CEPT

Rundquist, John (223990) **Wildwood, MO** US
19TH & 20TH CENTURY, BUREAU ISSUES, DEFINITIVES-CANADA; 51

Saheli, M. Caroline (223984) **San Diego, CA** US;
44; Judicial Assistant

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COMMEMORATIVES, PATRIOTIC COVERS, PLATE BLOCKS, SOUVENIR SHEETS-LOVE-ANIMALS; 52

Schmidt-Heberger, Lyn (224046) **Meriden, CT** US;
51; Accounting Business Owner

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Simasek, Charlotte M. (224052) **Morganton, NC**
MINT US-USED WORLDWIDE; 81; Retired

Skoglund, Peter (224070) **Kings Park, NY**; Retired

Smith, C. D. (223971) **Waverly, IA**; 79

Smith, Frederick W. (223989) **Hillsdale, NJ**
US, CHRISTMAS SEALS-GERMAN FEDERAL REPUBLIC-NETHERLANDS; 72

Springer, Pinchas (223977) **The Woodlands, TX**; 60

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WORLDWIDE SINGLES-SOUVENIR SHEETS; 59; Service Department Manager

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CHICAGO & ILLINOIS POSTAL HISTORY; 67; Retired

Tigner, James A. (224013) **Fairfield, PA** US
POSTAL HISTORY-PIONEER AIR MAIL; 61; Antiques Dealer

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WORLDWIDE; 56; Food Service Director

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US REVENUES/TAX PAIDS, 19TH CENTURY, DUCK/HUNTING/FISHING STAMPS-ZEPPELIN COVERS/STAMPS-WAR COVERS/STAMPS

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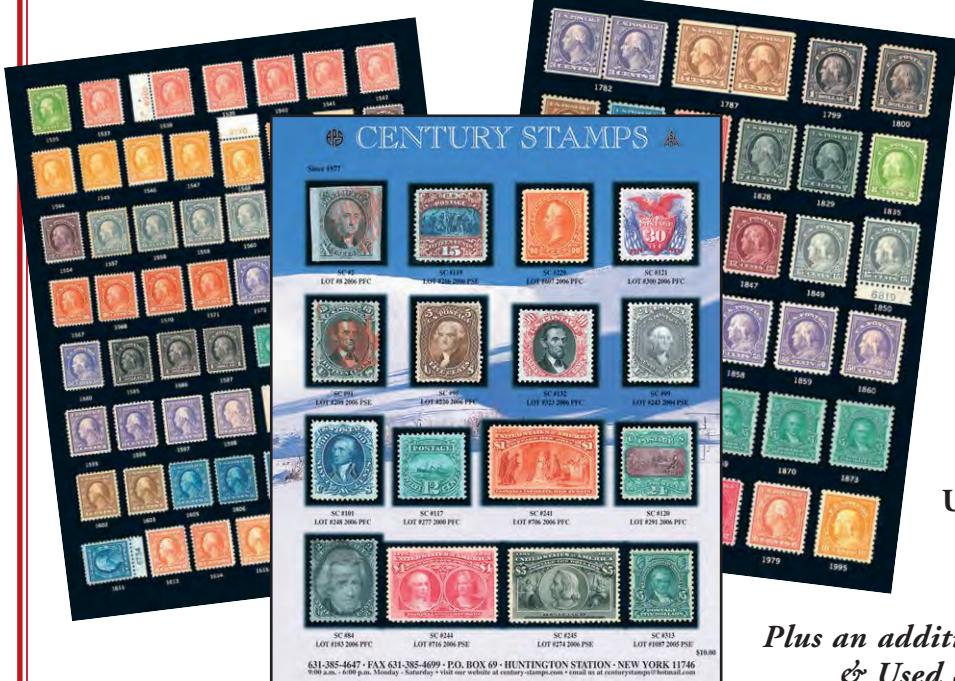
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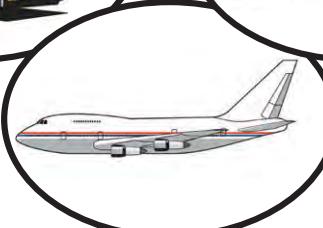
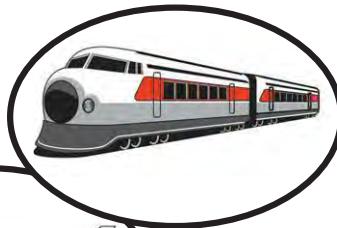
Over the years, the two examples on the left, positions 65 and 75 were recovered and returned to the American Philatelic Research Library, to which Mrs. McCoy deeded the stamps in 1979.

Acting on a story by Ken Lawrence about the hobby's most famous cold case that appeared in the September 2014 issue of the American Philatelist, Don Sundman of the Mystic Stamp Co., announced the reward offer, for the benefit of the APRL. It is believed the stamps are in collections most likely formed by individuals who did not know that they were stolen property.

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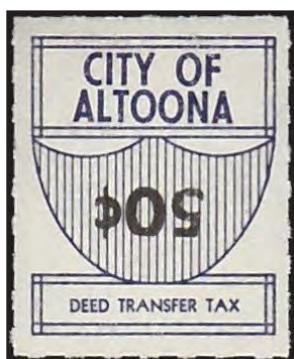
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