1938 Presidential Issue:



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THE 1938 PRESIDENTIAL ISSUE: A Postal History Look at Rates & Usages®

BACKGROUND: "James Waldo Fawcett reported in his March, 1935, column in the Washington, D.C. Sunday Star that the issuing of the proposed new series, "...to which collectors are opposed," would be a decision made by President Roosevelt. Mr. Hugh Southgate, in an article in March, 1935 issue of The Bureau Specialist stated that, "...the 'universal protest' that Mr. Fawcett seems to think exists has not exhibited itself in the philatelic press to any great extent." He further went on to say that the government should make the decision on new stamp issues and that "the hundred thousand or so collectors have little to say and are becoming disgusted with arguments and criticisms that fill the press and only want a chance to stick to their knitting, study their stamps and have a little bit of change left to provide shoes for barefoot kiddies after they have procured the latest items issues."¹

Consideration of a new series of definitive stamps depicting all deceased presidents to replace the Fourth Bureau Issue surfaced as early as 1934 and after a series of competitions and design rejections in a design competition that ended on September 5, 1937 had won. Ms. Elaine Rawlinson, a young 25-year old designer, who had studied at the National Academy of Design, the Beaux Art Institute of Design and the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts Country School, was the winner of the Presidential design competition.

At a glance, the 1938 Presidential Issues, affectionately called The Prexie or Prexy Issue (by those who love it), includes 24 basic definitive design issues plus nine (9) horizontal coil and four (4) vertical coil issues. In the 20th Century, Definitive Series had, on average, a 15-year lifespan before a new Definitive Series was released with a quick phase-out of the old Series. The 1938 Presidential Issue had a twenty+year lifespan, lasting thru three major wars, 90+ international civil wars, revolutions, rebellions and conflicts, between 1945 and 1964. The Prexy Issue was the workhorse of the U.S. Postal system as the country passed from rural electrification to the atomic age and the computer age.

OBJECTIVE: The exhibit is a select group of domestic and international postal history rates and usages. The rates are shown in a progressive and chronologic order, breaking rates into their various service components demonstrating beginning and ending periods to presenting their complexities. Auxiliary markings are demonstrated and explained. Foreign and Domestic Rates, including: Supplementary Rates, Postage Due, Prexies used in Lieu of Postage Due stamps, Special Delivery, Insured, Return Receipt, Avis Reception, Other Article, Forwarding, Paquebot, Return Mail, both rare and common are shown. Split-Rate Domestic and International airmail Contract and Treaty rates are presented. Military Postal Office Wartime and Peacetime Rates and Usages with Quartermaster Corp. Auxiliary Markings revealed. The covers shown from any Rate Group represents only a few examples of the total Rates & Usages of this postal history period.

REFERENCE:

1. Roland E. Rustad, "THE PREXIES" ©1994, Bureau Issues Association, Belleville, Illinois,

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1¢ Domestic Post Card Rate July 1, 1928, through January 1, 1952

1¢ George Washington ~ (Sc# 804) Solo Usage

A post card demonstrating the single rate for standard sized postcards.

MELLON INSTITUTE OF INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH Fifth and Bellefield Avenues PITTSBURGH 13, PA. The essential aim of Mellon Institute of Industrial Research at the University of Pitts-burgh is the creation of new knowledge by scientific investigation. The institution was founded by Messrs. Andrew W. Mellon and Richard B. Mellon. Its industrial research is being conducted by a hundred Fellowships each relating to a different subject. It also maintains a Department of Research in Pure Chemistry. in which fundamental studies are PA. PITTSBURGH each returns a Department of Research in the Chemistry, in which fundamental studies are carried on for the benefit of the chemical DIVISION,

RAILWAY MAIL SERVICE (RMS)

By the 1880s, railway post office routes were operating on the vast majority of passenger trains in the United States. A complex network of interconnected routes allowed mail to be transported and delivered in a remarkably short time. Railway mail clerks were subjected to stringent training and ongoing testing of details regarding their handling of the mail.

In the United States, RPO cars (also known as mail cars or postal cars) were equipped and staffed to handle most back-end postal processing functions. First class mail, magazines and newspapers were all sorted, cancelled when necessary, and dispatched to post offices in towns along the route. Registered mail was also handled, and the foreman in charge was required to carry a regulation pistol while on duty to discourage theft of the mail. TRANS. CLK. R.M.S. PENNA. STA. (Transfer Clerk, Railway Mail Service, Pennsylvania Station) PITTSBURGH, PA. 3 P.M. MAY 9 1947 TO BELLWOOD, PA.

A 30mm duplex circular date stamp with 13mm W X 33mm H Railway Mail Service (RMS) 8-bar elliptical Killer cancelled the stamp on this card.

"I¢ Rate"

1¢ (1¢ each 2 oz.) 2nd-Class, Controlled Circulation Rate: [Postmaster Statement: Contents 24 pages, or more.] January 1, 1949, thru January 6, 1968

1¢ George Washington (Sc# 804-703) Solo Usage

Permit Mailing of STAMP-MONTH MAGAZINE was a periodical, without hardcover, that qualified to a publisher. The periodical was enclosed in the cover and qualified for the special rate. This Rate had to be paid by stamps affixed to the matter, which helps identify this mailing. STAMP-MONTH MAGAZINE to been limited edition of one year in 1940, while its sister publication, "THE STAMP WHOLESALER" lasted from 1939 juntil 1984.

The permit-mailed cover bears a Stereotype Handstamp Precancel Type 703. These stereotype metal handstamp precancels came into being in mid-1932 when the rapid wear-out rate of rubber handstamps became of concern to postal authorities and were issued for about 25 years. Early examples of 25 subject devices failed to give good impressions, so the size was reduced to 10 subjects (2 x 5.)

STAMP-MONTH Magazine and The STAMP WHOLESALER Burlington, Vermont, U. S. A.

POSTMASTER: Return or Forwarding postage guaranteed. Contents 24 [or more] page publication. Mr James A Urquhart 219 10th Ave North Seattle Washington



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LAWRENCE, KANS. *(1949 - 1951) TO SEATTLE, WA.

This wrapper demonstrates the correct Second Class, Controlled Circulation Rate usage with POSTAMASTER Statement, "Contents 24 pages (or more) and precancel permit application on a periodical, paying the singlepiece, under two (2) ounces. The STAMP WHOLESALER has a 44-year publishing run while its sister publication launched in 1940 only lasted one year. The period of use of 1949-1951 is chosen on the stamp color of yellow-green that was seen in the 1949 to 1951 period.

1¢ (1¢ min. per pc.) Third-Class, Regular, Bulk Mail Piece Rate (Sec. 562 PL&R. - Unboxed)

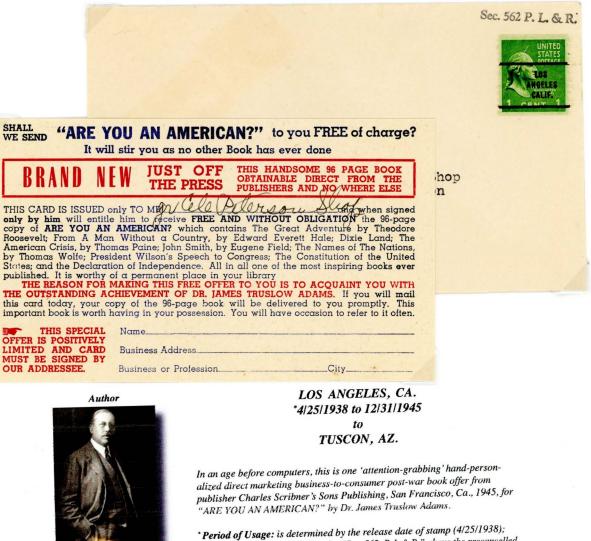
July 1, 1928, thru July 1, 1952.

As of October 1, 1932, each piece of Precancel Bulk Mail was required to be labeled "Sec. 562, P. L. & R." On February 25, 1949, this was changed to "Sec. 34.66, P. L. & R.

> 1¢ George Washington (Sc# 804) solo usage

BUREAU PRECANCEL STYLE 61 (804-71)

This was a B.E.P. precancel type 71 precancel with bars spaced 12mm apart.



Dr. James Truslow Adams

* **Period of Usage:** is determined by the release date of stand (where the period of "unboxed" indicia for "Sec. 562, P. L.& R." above the precancelled stamp. In 1946, the indicia was required to have a "box" around the indicia.

"I¢ Rate"

1¢ Certificate of Mailing, International Mail Rate* *May 26, 1932, thru February 1, 1954

1¢ George Washington (Sc# 804) Solo Usage

Form 3817, Revised, used to certify the mailing of on piece of ordinary mail. Since the form had been revised in 1937, and The Presidential Issue was released in mid-1938, Presidential Issue usages are found on the revised version of this form.

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| Paris France |
| THIS RECEIPT DOES NOT PROVIDE FOR INDEMNIFICATION |
| U. 8. GOVERNMENT PRINTENS OFFICE 5-10325 POSTMASTER. |

Form 3817: Certificate of Mailing

Certificates of mailing for only UPU parcel post articles were first made available on May 26, 1932, and for all UPU matter on January 1, 1934. These certificates represents proof that and had been mailed to a person. As of January 1, 1934, these certificates were issued at a fee of one cent, upon request at the time of mailing an ordinary articles (letters, post cards, commercial papers, printed matter, and samples of merchandise, small packets, parcel post matter and packets of merchandise weighing 80z, or less (where acceptable) transmitted in the Postal Union regular mails. The Certificates of Mailing were also available as additional evidence of mailing registered, insured or c.o.d. mailings.

BALTIMORE, MD. JAN 17, 1947 TO PARIS FRANCE

Form 3817, Rev. 9-37 Certificate of Mailing for one piece of mail sednt to to The Union Haberdashery, Paris.

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1¢ George Washington (Sc# 804-247) Solo Usage

Double-Line Electro Precancel Type 247

This Double-Line Electroplate (DLE) Precancel was designed for precanceling regular-issue panes of 100. The metal plates began to be issued from Washington in 1913. DLEs were the work of Potomac Electrotype Co. Specifications at that time called for a "double line border," but both the electro plate manufacturer and the rubber handstamp manufacturer took this to mean thin double lines above the city and below the state names. The 247 is classified as a DLE with 1.6mm caps between double lines set 14mm apart. These styles are all in 100 subject configuration.



JERSEY CITY, N. J. *4/25/1938 to 12/31/1945 TO CHICAGO, ILL.

This business-to-business cover demonstrates the correct per-piece rate uusage under Sec. 562, P.L. & R for a precancel mailing.

* **Period of Usage:** is determined by the release date of stamp (4/25/1938); the period of "unboxed" indicia for "Sec. 562, P. L.& R." above the precancelled stamp. In 1946, the indicia was required to have a "box" around the indicia.

1¢ (1¢ min. per pc.) Third-Class, Regular, Bulk Mail, Piece Rate (Sec. 562 PL&R.-Unboxed) July 1, 1928, thru July 1, 1952.

October 1, 1932 until February 25, 1949, each piece of Precancel Bulk Mail was required to be labeled "Sec. 562, P. L.& R."; labeling was then changed to "Sec. 34.66, P. L. & R.

1¢ Washington ~ Vert Coil (Sc# 848) Solo Usage

MAILER'S PRECANCEL POSTMARK

The stamp is precancelled by a Private "Mailer's Precancel Postmark" (MPP). MPP's were first authorized for use by permit holders on February 28, 1925 and are rarely seen.

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IMPORTANT!

BE SURE TO USE YOUR

A. P. S. BALLOT



SEC. 562 R.L. & R.

FEDERALSBURG, MD. JUN 1949 (DOCKETED RECEIPT) to CINCINNATI, OH.

This Non-Profit Originazation-to-Member cover was from the A.P.S. and the date is determined by the "Sec. 34.66 P.L.&R." printed above the stamp on the face of the cover, and the end of the "1c Bulk Rate Period" covered under this mailing.

1¢ (1¢ min. per pc.) Third-Class, Regular, Bulk Mail, Piece Rate (Sec. 34.66 P. L. & R. - Boxed) July 1, 1928, thru July 1, 1952.

From October 1, 1932 until February 25, 1949, each piece of Precancel Bulk Mail was required to be labeled "Sec. 562, P. L.& R."; labeling was then changed to "Sec. 34.66, P. L. & R. after February 25, 1949, and; replaced by "BULK RATE" on December 21, 1954.

1¢ George Washington (Sc# 804-272)** Solo Usage

Electroplate Precancel Type 272**

Style 272 precancels normally consist of a 100-subject plate to cover the standard definitive-issue size of 100 stamps (10x10). A postmaster contacted with a local printer to over-print needed stamps (provided). The printer would return the precancelled stamps, electroplate and bill to the postmaster when the job was completed.



This Non-Profit Organization-to-Contributor cover was from the "MARCH OF DIMES" charity. The organization was responsible for funds to eliminate Infantile Paralysis, the number one disease crippling children and adults -- the disease also known as POLIO!

*Date of Mailing: The cover was most likely mailed in the first quarter of 1949, due to the changeover in labeling of "Sec. 562, P. L.& R." and "Sec. 34.66, P. L. & R." The Post Office allowed mailers to use old envelopes with outdated indicia (shown above), provided the new indicia was prominently displayed next to the precancelled stamp when mailed.

Sec. 34.66, P. L. & R." also required envlopes to include "pull-out flaps" for "postal inspection."

1¢ (1¢ min. piece rate) 3rd Class, Regular Bulk Mail, Piece Rate July 1, 1928, thru July 1, 1952.

1¢ George Washington (Sc# 804-71) Solo Usage (Bureau Precancel Type 71)

The Third Class Bulk Single Piece Rate mail initially required precancelled stamp usage with a "Sec. P.L. & R." indicia printed above the stamp. This card was mailed AFTER the Post Office dropped requirements for printing "Sec. P.L. & R." indicia requirements above the precancel stamp, due to the increase usage of postage meters, and its inability to print the required indicia above the meter stamp. The minimum per-piece rate for Third-Class, Regular Bulk Mail was one cent from July 1, 1928 thru July 1, 1952. As of October 1, 1932 each piece was required to be labeled, "Sec. 562, PL&R." On February 25, 1949 this was changed to "Sec. 34.66, PL&R."

POSTAL HISTORY BEFORE YOUR EYES:

OR, WHAT MAILERS DO GET THEM IN TROUBLE WITH POSTAL OFFICALS~!

A Bureau-issued precancelled stamp was used as postage AND AS A WAFER-SEAL to close the double-post card. Bad Move! Postal Officials were not amused to see a stamp used as a work-around to postal regulations requiring booklets, cards, catalogs, being sealed on the right-side of a mail piece to reduce jamming automatic equipment. Postal Regulations were again modified requiring ALL Permit holders place Postage, Bulk Paid Indicia, and/or Postage Meter Tapes in defined areas of "guides" accompanying Permits OR risk Mail Permit loss in any Class. Post Offices nationwide were instructed to reject and/or seize mailings not following DMM Permit Class guidelines.



Reverse Side: Precancel Stamp/Wafer Seal



CHICAGO, ILL. TYPE 71 *NOVEMBER 8, 1951 to JUNE 30, 1952 PHILADELPHIA, PA.

This business-to-business direct response postcard mailer, with self-reply card, is from MaCormac Extension School showing a correct Third Class, Regular, Bulk Mailing with precancel stamp usage and improper placement of postage as a "wafer seal" before requirement change.

*Period of usage is determined by the "Sec. of P.L. & R" regulations item mailed under (no printed indicia above stamp) and last day of one-cent-per-piece Rate.

1¢ Domestic Post Card Rate July 1, 1928, thru December 31, 1951

1¢ George Washington (Sc# 804) Solo Usage

This cover demonstrates a solo usage paying the single-weight (1 oz.) Domestic Letter Rate using the Railway Post Office (R.P.O.).

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GREENSBORO, N.C. TRANS CLK APR 24 6-PM 1944 TO GROVER, PA.

A post card with a Railway Mail Service (R.M.S.) machine cancellation cancel. The cancellation is considered uncommon.

INTERNATIONAL POSTAL SUPPLY CO., Machine Specifications:

| DIAL TYPE: | D Split | KILLER TYPE: | STATION-RMS |
|------------------|----------|------------------|-----------------|
| Dial Diameter: | 23mm | Killer Type: | 7 Straight Bars |
| Type Size: | 2mm | Wave Up/Down: | |
| Dial Variety: TI | RANS CLK | Killer OAL: | 52mm |
| Gap to Killer: | 5mm | Killer Variety: | R. M. S. |
| Station Name: | | | |
| Cancel Size: | 22mm x | 80mm (7/8"H x 3- | I/8"L) |

"I¢ Rate"

1¢ (0-2 oz.) Domestic Third Class ~ Bulk Mail Rate, plus October 1, 1932, through February 25, 1949 'RETURN POSTAGE GUARANTEE' ENDORSEMENT POSTAGE DUE 1½¢

This Bulk Mail cover, with SEC 562, P.L.&R. Indicia used between October 1, 1932 until February 25, 1949, where each piece of Precancel Bulk Mail was reguired to be labeled "Sec. 562, P. L.& R.", illustrates the 'RETURN POSTAGE GUARANTEE' endorsement usage and POSTAGE DUE rate application when mail was returned.

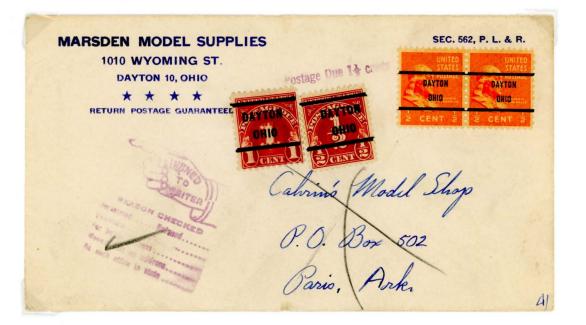
1/2¢ Benjamin Franklin (Sc# 803 - 71°pair), plus 1¢ Postage Due- 11 x 10½ (Sc# J80a - L-5 E**) 1/2¢ Postage Due- 11 x 10½ (Sc# J79a - L-5 E**)

*Bureau Precancel Type 71

This style precancel was prepared at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing; 2mm gothic caps set between lines 10.5mm apart.

**Non-Contract Electroplate Precancel Type L-5 E

This electroplate contained 100 subjects to cover the standard definitive size stamp and was printing press applied 2.5 block caps set between lines 13mm apart.



Auxiliary Handstamp





DAYTON, OH. (May 19, 1938 - Feb. 25, 1949)

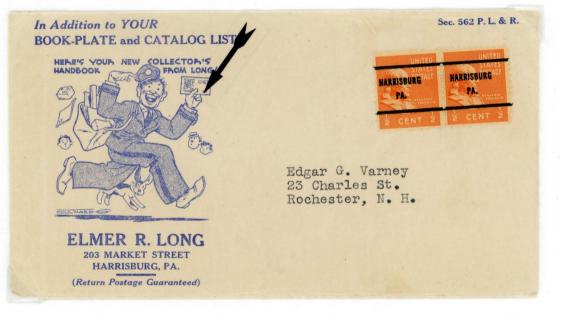
to PARIS, ARK.> RETURN-TO-WRITER

This Business-to-Business cover, from a model or hobby shop, illustrates the 'RETURN POSTAGE GUARANTEE' endorsement, auxiliary markings, and postage due application and collection. "l¢ Rate"

1¢ (1¢ min. per pc.) Third-Class, Regular, Bulk Mail Piece Rate (Sec. 562 PL&R. - Unboxed) July 1, 1928, thru July 1, 1952.

1/2¢ Benjamin Franklin (Sc# 803 pair) Multiple Usage BUREAU PRECANCEL STYLE 61

This cover demonstrates a correct pecancel usage for a bulk mailing of a piece up to 2 oz. on a Domestic Third Class Bulk Mail Precancel Permit made under Sec. 562 P.L. & R.



HARRISBURG, PA. "1944"

to

ROCHESTER, N.H.

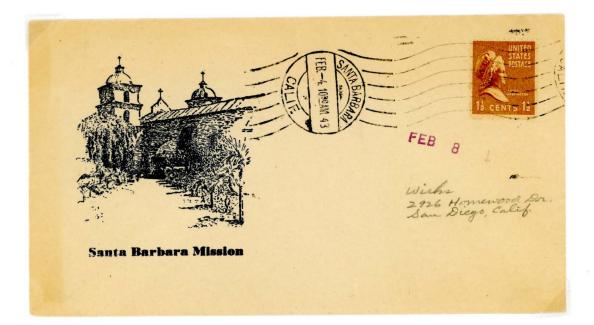
This business-to-consumer cover advertises Elmer Long's new "1944 COLLECTOR'S HAND-BOOK", with cartoon cachet, was from well-known international stamp dealer (of that period), Elmer R. Long, Harrisburg, Pa. The year is located on envelope held by the running postman.

(*Period of usage determined by release date of stamp (1938) and mailing was made under Sec. 562. P.L. & R., which ended February 24 1949. On February 25, 1949, this was changed to "Sec. 34.66, P. L. & R.)

1¹/₂¢ Third-Class, Single-Piece Rate (Unsealed Envelope) April 15, 1925, thru December 31, 1948

1½¢ Martha Washington (Sc# 805) Solo Usage

This cover demonstrates a solo usage on a tourist advertising cover paying the third class rate for printed circulars and miscellaneous matter as well as unsealed covers without handwritten contents.



SANTA BARBARA, CA. FEB 4 10³⁰ AM 43 TO SAN DIEGO, CA.

The stamp is tied to this tourist advertising cover by a Hand Roller Cancelling device manufactured by "Heinrich H. Klussendorf Company of Berlin-Spandau."

This device used at Santa Barbara was a non-repeater. Most others just roll merrily over a package or letter, and just repeat what is on the roller until it runs out of ink. The operator rolls it over the inkpad, and just rolls it over the mail; this unit was self-inking.

Its use was purchased in 1929 by the postmaster of Santa Barbara and got approval to use it from the P.O. Department in 1929; the earliest use is 1930. The last known use was in 1948. It was tested in Washington, D.C. in 1929; examples are known of this test.

Santa Barbara, California was the only city in the U.S. to use this cancellation device!



14/2¢ (2 oz.) Third Class, Single Piece Rate: Miscellaneous Matter April 15, 1925, thru December 31, 1948

Third Class Miscellaneous Matter was permitted to use regular, nonpre-cancelled stamps, and was required to be labeled: "Third Class Mail - This parcel may be opened for postal inspection if necessary." Third class mail could not contain writing other than a signature and a few non-message words.

> ~~~ 1½¢ Martha Washington (Sc# 805) Solo Usage



(Ca. 1942 - 1948*) Pre-addressed to CAMDEN, N.J.

This consumer-to-business self-mailer draw-string pouch is from a photo processing service and shows a correct Third Class mailing with stamp pre-applied. The self-mailer was designed to hold to the customer's film "negative roll" for positive development and a check, money order or cash.

(*Period of usage is determined by the release date of stamp (1942-1948). The identifying phrase "THIRD CLASS MAIL", which should be shown by regulation, is located under the stamp.

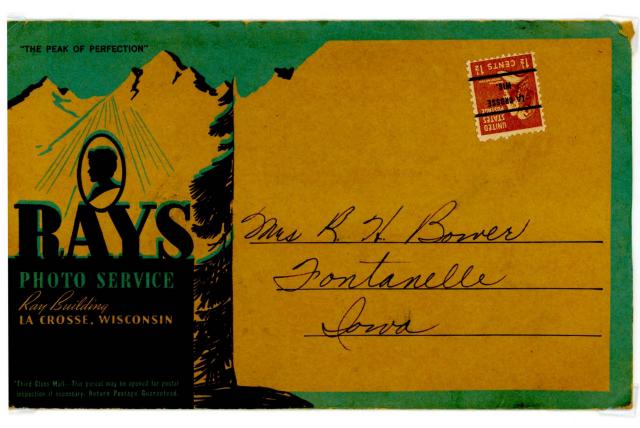
A Typical Film Canister

11/2¢ (2 oz.) Third Class, Single Piece Rate: Miscellaneous Matter

April 15, 1925, thru December 31, 1948

11/2¢ Martha Washington (Sc# 805-71) (Bureau Precancel Type 71) Solo Usage

This business-to-consumer cover demonstrates a correct Third Class mailing, within a Third Class Mail designated carrier, with precancel stamp bulk mail permit usage.



LA CROSSE, WIS. (Ca. 4/1942 - 4/1945*) To FONTANELLE, IA.



CANCELLED BECAUSE OF PAPER RATIONING UN-TIL FURTHER NOTICE This business-to-consumer Third Class Merchandise Mailer, originally enclosing photo negatives, is from a photo processing service. The undated cover shown here provides empirical evidence on its flap that photographic paper was also rationed or unavailable, probably due to its silver content or for V-Mail use. It reads, "CANCELLED BECAUSE OF PAPER RATIONING UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE." Photographic paper used for V-MAIL from June 15, 1942, until April 1, 1945, also may have been a cause of the shortage.

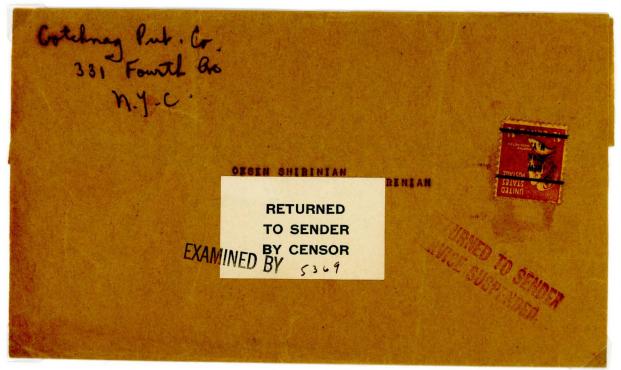
This cover provides an additional story. Rays Photo Service was in fact Helen Mae Hoeft, who used the shop name as a pseudonym to avoid sex-discrimination in the photo field. She feared customers would not buy photographic services from a woman when she started up in 1924. The name of the business has changed since her time, but as of 1978 was still in operation in La Crosse.

11/2¢ (each 2 oz.) U.P.U. Printed Matter, Surface Rate, Europe* *April 1, 1932, thru October 31, 1953

1½¢ Martha Washington (Sc# 805) with Bureau Precancel Solo Usage

This publication wrapper demonstrates a solo usage paying the first-level, first twoounce U.P.U. Printed Matter and Commercial Papers, Surface Rate to Bulgaria.

The publication was disallowed by censor and returned to the publisher.



Reverse Side U.S. CENSOR SEALS & MARKINGS

After EXAMINER #5369 in the New York City Censorship Office rejected the publication, the wrapper had a GREEN/WHITE, "RETURNED TO SENDER BY CENSOR" label placed over the "ADDRESSEE" portion of the front of the wrapper and a BLACK/ WHITE, "THIS COMMUNICATION RETURNED TO SENDER BECAUSE IT WAS ADDRESSED..." (See below...)

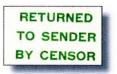
> THIS COMMUNICATION RETURNED TO SENDER BECAUSE IT IS ADDRESSED TO AN ENEMY OR ENEMY-OCCUPIED COUNTRY. PERSONAL MESSAGES OF NOT MORE THAN 25 WORDS MAY BE SENT THROUGH THE AMERICAN RED CROSS. INFORMATION MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE NEAREST RED CROSS OFFICE.

FORM OC-12

NEW YORK, N.Y. DECEMBER 1941* TO PAZARDZHIK, BULGARIA*

(Determined by information under Censor Label.)

The stamp on this wrapper is precancelled and rejected was rejected at the NEW YORK REGIONAL CENSOR FACILITY for two reasons: (1.) Communication to an Enemy or Enemy-Occupied County was not allowed to exceed 25 words, and (2.) "MAIL SERVICE WAS SUS-PENDED" to Bulgaria, from December 12, 1941 to June 20, 1945.

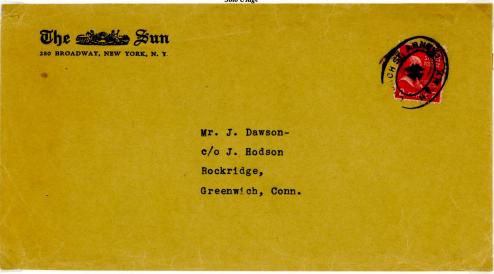


"2¢ Rate"

2¢ (≤2 oz.) Second-Class, Transient Rate (Special Rate Available to Newspapers and Registered News Agents) April 1, 1952, through January 6, 1963.

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2¢ John Adams (Sc# 806) Solo Usage



NEW YORK, N.Y. CHURCH STREET STATION ANNEX (CA. 1952-1963) TO GREENWICH, CT.

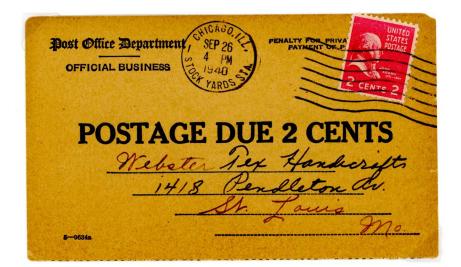
A 30mm W x 26mm H double oval "CHURCH ST. ANNEX. N.Y., N.Y., with Maltese Cross center cancellation ties the stamp.

## "Special Services Rate"

2¢ Notice To Sender of Forwarding Address\* \*August 5, 1932, thru January 31, 1954

## 2¢ John Adams (Sc# 806) Solo Usage

Post Office Department Form 3547-S demonstrates a solo usage paying the 2¢ Special Service piece rate for "Forwarded" Thirdor Fourth-Class Mail. Form 3547-S was used notify Third- and Fourth-Class mailers of Forwarding Address.



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## CHICAGO, ILL. Chicago Stock Yards Sta. SEP 26 4 PM 1940 SAINT LOUIS, MO.

The stamp is tied by the following machine cancel: UNIVERSAL STAMPING MACHINE CO., cancellation

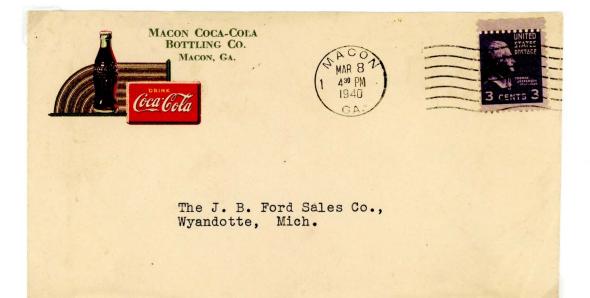
| DIAL TYPE:     | D(1)                          | KILLER TYPE:    | 300         |  |
|----------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|--|
| Dial Diameter: | 22mm                          | Killer Type:    | 7 Wavy Bars |  |
| Type Size:     | 2mm                           | Wave Up/Down:   | Up          |  |
| Dial Variety:  | Station/1:L                   | Killer OAL:     | 45mm        |  |
| Gap to Killer: | 15mm                          | Killer Variety: |             |  |
| Station:       | Stock Yar                     | ds Station      |             |  |
| Cancel Size:   | 22mm x 82mm (7/8"H x 3-1/4"L) |                 |             |  |

"3¢ Rate"

3¢ (1 oz.) Domestic First-Class, Letter Surface Rate July 6, 1932, thru July 31, 1958

> ~~~ 3¢ Thomas Jefferson (Sc# 807) Solo Usage ~~~

This Coca-Cola Advertising cover demonstrates a solo usage paying the single ounce 1 oz. domestic letter rate.





Logo Known Worldwide

## MACON 1, GA. MAR 8 4<sup>30</sup> PM 1940 to WYANDOTTE, MICH..

A business-to-business cover, has a the following machine cancel:

INTERNATIONAL POSTAL SUPPLY CO., Machine Specifications:

| DIAL TYPE:     | D (1:L) | KILLER TYPE:              | 300         |  |  |  |
|----------------|---------|---------------------------|-------------|--|--|--|
| Dial Diameter: | 22mm    | Killer Type:              | 7 Wavy Bars |  |  |  |
| Type Size:     | 2mm     | Wave Up/Down:             | Up          |  |  |  |
| Dial Variety:  | 1:L     | Killer OAL:               | 45mm        |  |  |  |
| Gap to Killer: | 12mm    | Killer Variety:           |             |  |  |  |
| Slogan:        |         |                           |             |  |  |  |
| CANCEL SIZE:   | 22mm x  | 22mm x 82mm (7/8"H x 3"L) |             |  |  |  |

#### "3¢ Rate" 3¢ (4 oz.) Third-Class, Single-Piece Rate (11/2¢ per 2 oz.) April 15, 25, through December 31, 1948

#### 3¢ Thomas Jefferson (Sc# 807) Solo Usage

This cover demonstrates a solo usage on an double-weight, three and one-half ounce cover, containing a two 78RPM phonograph records cut by a serviceman during World War II, and mailed third class. While third class mail could not contain writing other than a signature and a few non-message words like "sincerely yours," recorded messages were allowed.



Control No. #L1599

produced records on flimsy laminated cardboard.

CANCEL BY HAND! DO NOT FOLD!





DENVER, CO. 1942-1945\* TO SHARON SPRING, KANS.

This cover, originally mailed with a 11/2¢ Washington (Sc#805), one-ounce rate, was re-mailed to mailer and re-mailed to the the same address at the correct 4 oz., double-weight rate.

American Safety Razor, in co-ooperation with the United Service Organizations (USO), created thousands of free Voice-O-Graph records during wartime for the troops to send home to their families. The 78RPM Mutoscope Voice-O-Graph record was

## "3¢ Rate" 3¢ V-MAIL Letter Rate June 15, 1942, through April 1, 1945 3¢ Thomas Jefferson (Sc# 807) Solo Usage

Unmailed V-Mail Form demonstrates the Domestic V-Mail Rate.



V-Mail service provides a most rapid means of communication. If addressed to a place where photographing service is not available the original letter will be dispatched by the most expeditious means.

## INSTRUCTIONS

- (1) Write the entire message plainly on the other side within marginal lines.
- (2) Print the name and address in the two spaces provided. Addresses of members of the Armed Forces should show full name, complete military or naval address, including grade or rank, serial number, unit to which assigned or attached and army post office in care of the appropriate postmaster or appropriate fleet post office.
- (3) Fold, seal, and deposit in any post office letter drop or street letter box.
- (4) Enclosures must not be placed in this envelope.
- (5) V-Mail letters may be sent free of postage by members of the Armed Forces. When sent by others postage must be prepaid at domestic rates (3c ordinary mail, 6c if domestic air mail service is desired when mailed in the U. S.)

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT PERMIT NO. 74

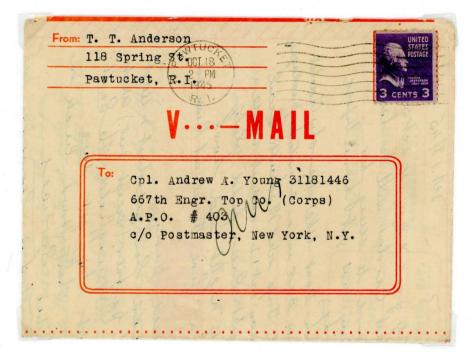
"3¢ Rate"

3¢ (1 oz.) First-Class, Letter Rate July 6, 1932, through July 31, 1958

3¢ Thomas Jefferson (Sc# 807) Solo Usage

This V-mail lettersheet demonstrates a solo usage paying the singleweight, one ounce First Class Letter Rate to active military personnel.

This V-Mail Letter Sheet is Form No. 17. V-Mail was sent and received from June 1942 through November 1945.



#### 667th Engineer Topographic Company

Activated:20 September 1942 at Camp Maxey, TexasInactivated:28 June 1946 in Germany

A topographic unit created topographic maps based on information gathered by recon personnel. The topographic battalions used field reconnaissance information and aerial photography to update printed maps. These maps were printed in field printing plants, which were part of the topo battalions' standard set of equipment. Generally, recon teams did not carry cameras. If an individual had a camera and took pictures, an engineer topographic unit, a signal corps photographic unit, or even some public affairs teams could develop the film.

## PAWTUCKET, R. I. OCT 18 2PM 1945

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## A.P.O. #403 NEW YORK

## (MUNICH, GERMANY)

The stamps are tied by the following machine cancel: UNIVERSAL STAMPING MACHINCE CO. cancellation

| DIAL TYPE:     | D:2L     | KILLER TYPE:    | 200          |
|----------------|----------|-----------------|--------------|
| Dial Diameter: | 22mm     | Killer Type:    | 7 Wavy Lines |
| Type Size:     | 2mm      | Wave Up/Down:   | Up           |
| Dial Variety:  | 2 (Left) | Killer OAL:     | 52mm         |
| Gap to Killer: | 15mm     | Killer Variety: |              |
| Slogan:        |          |                 |              |

CANCELLATION SIZE: 21mm x 92mm (7/8"H x 3-5/16"L).

## "3¢ Rate"

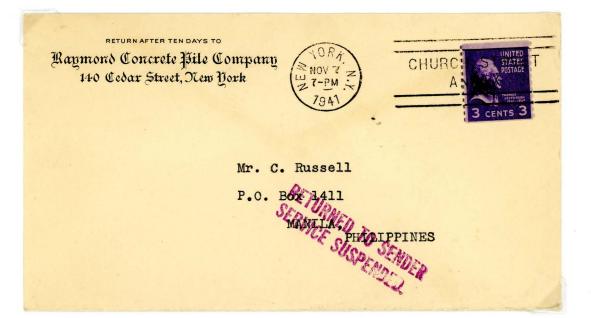
3¢ (1 oz.) First-Class, Letter, Surface, Treaty Rate, Philippines Islands\* 'July 6, 1932, thru July 4, 1946.

## 3¢ Jefferson ~ Horiz. Coil (Sc# 807b) Solo Usage

## Cover: Casualty of War!

This cover demonstrates solo usage paying the 1 oz. First Class, Surface, TREATY Rate with the Philippines. The cover became a casualty of war when shipping was interrupted, and mail could not be delivered to the Philippines, due to its invasion and occupation of the Philippine Islands by the Imperial Army of Japan on December 8, 1941.

The mail returned to its departure port, most likely San Francisco, Calif., and stamped with the red-violet auxiliary handstamp, "RETURNED TO SENDER/SEVICE SUSPENDED."





"RETURNED TO SENDER SERVICE SUSPENDED"

This auxiliary marking was impressed at the post office due to interruption of mail service.

Mail Service resumed to the Philippines after the war eneded on January 12, 1945.

## NEW YORK, N.Y. NOV 7, 7-PM, 1941 TO MANILLA, PHILIPPINES

## The stamp is tied by the following machine cancel: INTERNATIONAL POSTAL SUPPLY CO., Machine Specifications:

| DIAL TYPE:     | D      | KILLER TYPE:      | STATION |  |
|----------------|--------|-------------------|---------|--|
| Dial Diameter: | 22mm   | Killer Type:      | Station |  |
| Type Size:     | 3mm    | Wave Up/Down:     |         |  |
| Dial Variety:  |        | Killer OAL:       | 50mm    |  |
| Gap to Killer: | 10mm   | Killer Variety:   |         |  |
| Station:       | CHURC  | CH STREET ANNEX   |         |  |
| Cancel Size:   | 22mm x | 83mm (7/8"H x 3-1 | /4"L)   |  |

"5¢ Rate"

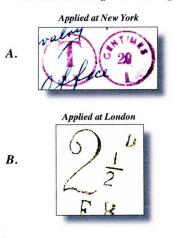
5¢ (1 oz. or 20 gr.) International Surface Letter Rate October 1, 1907, through October 31, 1953

## 3¢ Thomas Jefferson (Sc# 807) Solo Usage

This cover demonstrates under-payment of a single-weight, oneounce International Surface Letter by 2¢ to England. The cover is inscribed with auxiliary U.S. and British "Postage Due" markings.

R. BUCKHAM 3214 W. 67th Street Los Angeles 43, Calif. Hicer "le War Cavalry Records

#### International Postage Due Markings:



## LOS ANGELES 23, CALIF. OCT 29 7<sup>30</sup> PM 1947 TO LONDON, ENGLAND

This cover, addressed to the WAR OFFICE, London, England, bears two distinct International Postage Due Markings.

A. The first auxiliary marking is a New York red-violet "opera glass" hand-stamp "T" (N.Y.) "T" for "Timbre-Taxe" (postage due) and "CENTIMES 20" (equal to 4 cents); under U.P.U. regulations, international postage due was charged at "double" the missing postage!

B. The second auxiliary marking is a black 23mm W x 35mm H handstamp "2-1/2D F R" or "2-1/2 British pence"; the marking was applied at London, England.

## "5¢ Rate"

5¢ (1 oz.) International U.P.U. Surface Letter Rate\* \*October 1, 1907, through November 1, 1953

#### 5¢ James Monroe (Sc# 810),

Solo Usage

his cover demonstrates a solo usage paying the single-weight one-ounce urface Letter Rate, to France.

Vhen the cover arrived in France it was stamped by the VICHY French Post )ffice 'ZONE PEUT ÊTRE ACHEMINÉ ZONE OCCUPÉE'' translating, MAY BE RE-ROUTED AREA/ZONE OCCUPIED''. The cover was returned ) the U.S. and stamped in red-violet, "RETURN TO SENDER SERVICE USPENDED on September 24, 1941 and was back-stamped accordingly.



Translates: "MAY BE REROUTED AREA / ZONE OCCUPIED"



Backstamped on Return 379 days (1 yr. 14 days) later!



## NEW YORK, STA. L, N. Y. AUG 10 6 PM 1940 TO SAINT JEAN de LUZ, FRANCE

Saint Jean de Luz was located in the German Coastal Military Zone (The Atlantic Wall) where Entry was Prohibited!

The stamp was cancelled by the following machine cancel: INTERNATIONAL POSTAL SUPPLY CO. cancellation DIAL TYPE: D KILLER TYPE: STATION I

| DIAL TYPE:     | D                             | KILLER TYPE:    | STATION L      |  |
|----------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|--|
| Dial Diameter: | 21mm                          | Killer Type:    | Station+6 Bars |  |
| Type Size:     | 3mm                           | Wave Up/Down:   | Straight       |  |
| Dial Variety:  |                               | Killer OAL:     | 50mm           |  |
| Gap to Killer: | 10mm                          | Killer Variety: | STATION L      |  |
| Cancel Size:   | 21mm x 81mm (7/8"H x 3-1/8"L) |                 |                |  |

## "5¢ Rate"

5¢ (1oz.) International Surface Letter Rate

October 1, 1907, through November 1, 1953

## 5¢ James Monroe (Sc# 810) Solo Usage

This cover demonstrates a solo usage covering a censored singleweight, one-ounce (1 oz.) International Surface Mail to Italy.

4259 Miss Daisy Tucker 10 Via Boncompag Rome, Italy. XAMINER



Opened British Unit P.C. 90 ~ Censor 4259 Located in Bermuda



Verified by Italian Censor Censor 109 ~ Located in Rome. Censor 128 ~ Located in Rome.





## SAN FRANCISCO, CA. (RINCON ANNEX) APR 3 7 PM 1941 TO ROME, ITALY

The stamp on this cover is cancelled by a 30mm duplex circular datestamp with a 13mm W x 33mm H eight-bar elliptical numerical grid killer with number "2" center indicating a window clerk at the Rincon Annex hand cancelled this cover.



Mr A.A.Wettengell, Mgr. Mill Supply Dept. Schlafer Hardware Co., 115 W. College Ave., Appleton, Wis.

> After 5 days return to FISKE BROTHERS REFINING CO. 129 LOCKWOOD STREET NEWARK, N. J. U. S. A.

"6¢ Rate"

6¢ (2 oz.) First Class, Letter, Surface July L, 1932, through July 31, 1958

6¢ John Quincy Adams (Sc# 811) Solo Usage

This business-to-business cover demonstrates a solo usage paying the double (2 oz.) domestic letter rate.

> NEWARK 7, N. J. OCT 20 6-PM 1939 TO APPLETON, WI.

The stamp is tied by an International Postal Supply machine cancellation. The machine was an hand-driven "International Flier" with a machine station identification indicator in the dial, No. 7.

Hand-driven models are recognizable from electric models by measurement of the killer. Hand-driven are 45mm in length, while electricc driven models are 55mm, or longer in length. 6¢ Rate"

6¢ (3¢ x 2 oz.) First-Class Letter, Surface Rate\* 'July 6, 1932, through July 31, 1958

#### 3¢ Thomas Jefferson - Horizontal Coil (Sc# 842 x 2) Pair Usage

This cover demonstrates a multiple usage paying the double-weight (2 oz.) Domestic Letter Rate usage to Miltary Personnel who was listed as 'MISSING IN ACTION - ETO (European Theatre of Operation) from the 330th Heavy Bomb Squadron.

MAR PM CENT 1944 RETURN TO SENDE VERIFIED BASE POST OFFICE urner 0-66 9815 & Sydn, 93rd Sp 7 Postmaster



U.S. Army Postal Service A.R.S. (Army Registry Service) 558 Bungay, Suffolk, England: 10-01-1943 to 07-06-1945 Bellow:

1 BPO - Sutton, England: 8-1-1942 to 3-1-1952



#### TUSCON, ARIZ. MAR 1 7 PM 1944 TO

## A.P.O. 634 NEW YORK

The stamps were cancelled by an Universal Stamping Machine Company cancel. The cover was addressed to an Airman who was found "MISSING IN ACTION~ETO" (ETO=EUROPEAN THEATRE OF OPERATION" and "VERIFIED BY THE IST BASE POST OFFICE" after being shotdown during action during a heavy bombing mission over Germany in early 1944.



#### "6¢ Rate"

6¢ (1 oz.) Military Post Office Air Mail Letter Rate July 1, 1934, through March 25, 1944.

## 1¢ George Washington (Sc# 804 x 3), plus 3¢ Thomas Jefferson ~ Booklet Pane (Sc# 807a) Multiple Usage

This cover demonstrates a multiple usage on a Military Post Office ship cover paying the single-weight (1 oz.) Air Mail Letter Rate.

h.WARWICK E.M. P.C. H h.WARWICK A.R. BOR. H S.S. HARBOR. 9 AM Mrs. Charles Vouderhoef Gape (ono Mr. Daved) Via an Mail. A AIR MAIL



U.S. S. ARIZONA (BB-39) USS Arizona was a Pennsylvania-class battleship built for and by the United States Navy in the mid-1910s. During the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor on 7 December 1941, Arizona was bombed. She exploded and sank, killing 1,177 officers and crewmen.

## U. S. S. ARIZONA (BB-39) AUG 10 9 A M 1940 TO LAKE COMA, N. J.

The stamps is tied by a 25mm diameter Military Post Office circular date stamp with 15mm W x 32mm H eleven-bar elliptical grid killer; the year indicator located outside the circular date stamp, between the circular date stamp and killer.

## 11/2¢ UPRATED TO 3¢

6¢ (3¢ x 2oz.) First-Class, Letter Surface Rate January 6, 1932, thru July 31, 1958.

11/2¢ Martha Washington (Sc #805), uprates 11/2¢ Washington ~ (Sc# U481) (Thorp 2626: Die 1, Wmk 36 (1937), Knife 59, Size 8, Wh)

This cover demonstrates uprated postal staionaary to the loz. domestic Letter Rate. The cover also bears a red-violet 5mm H x 45mm L 'POSTAGE DUE 3 CENTS' auxiliary handstamp indicating the cover was underpaid by "3 cents." The cover was addressed, "c/o 1988 CCC CAMP NORTHWESTERN" -- a CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORP Camp, part of FDR's "New Deal" recovery program.

Locacted in Mendocino County CA., CAMP 1988 was a CCC Project assigned as Project #P-205- "PRIVATE FOREST." CAMP NORTHWESTERN consisteds of appx. 350 sq mi (228,800 acres) of coast Redwood & Douglas-fir forestland. The largest land-owning timber company at that time was Pacific Lumber Co. Fast forward to 2015, the family that now owns this company is "THE GAP" clothing chain.

## WALNUT CREEK, CA. JAN 14 5 PM 1941 TO WILLITS, CA.

Postage due 3 cents

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|   |                |         | CREEK, CA.<br>5 PM 1941 |             |
|---|----------------|---------|-------------------------|-------------|
| U |                |         | ТО                      |             |
| 0 |                | WILI    | LITS, CA.               |             |
|   |                | •       | e following machin      |             |
|   | INTERN         |         | POSTAL SUPPL            | Y CO.,      |
|   |                | Machine | Specifications:         |             |
|   | DIAL TYPE:     | D       | KILLER TYPE:            | 300         |
|   | Dial Diameter: | 20mm    | Killer Type:            | 7 Wavy Bars |
|   | Type Size:     | 3mm     | Wave Up/Down:           | Up          |
|   | Dial Variety:  |         | Killer OAL:             | 55mm        |
|   | Gap to Killer: | 8mm     | Killer Variety:         |             |
|   | Cancel Size:   | 20mm x  | 85mm (7/8"H x 3-        | 3/8"L)      |

## "61/2 ¢ Rate"

1½¢ (≤80z) Third-Class Single Pc Merchandise Rate\*, plus \*February 28, 1925, through December 31, 1948 5¢ Insurance Service (≤\$5.<sup>00</sup>Indemnity)\*\* = 6½¢ \*\*April 15, 1925, thru March 25, 1944

4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>¢ White House (Precancelled Sc# 809-734), plus 1¢ George Washington (Precancelled Sc# 804-734 x 2) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage paying the Third Class (8 oz., or less) Rate with Minimum Insurance, mailed under a combination of a Precancel Permit Mailing and on a Firm Mailing Book, where a "Block of Insurance Numbers" was issued to a business for use on yearly basis.

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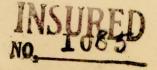
Return in 5 Days to MRS. GEO. A. HEFFERNON Dealer in Stamps St. Croix, Virgin Islands of U. S.

> Return or Forwarding Postage Guaranteed





Dr. F. Tulley Hallam 410 North Meridian St., Indianapolis, Indiana.



## FREDERIKSTED, VIRGIN ISLANDS (Ca.\*JULY 1939-DEC 31, 1948) TO INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

The stamps bear a Local Precancel Type 734. The prfecancel is a metal (Electro) narrow metal hand stamp 25-subject (5x5) devicewith condensed type and 2.5mm block cap letters. This device was ordered by the local Postmaster through the USPOD.

\* Date of mailing based on date of earliest issuance of  $4\frac{1}{2}\phi$  White House Issue and last date of Insurance Rate.

## "7¢ Rate"

1½¢ (1½¢-per 2oz.) 3rd-Class, Single Pc. Rate\*, plus \*April 15, 1925, thru December 31, 1948 5¢ Insurance Service\*\* (≤\$5.<sup>∞</sup> Indemnity) = 6½¢ \*\*April 15, 1925, thru March 25, 1944 (OVERPAID BY ½¢)

> 5¢ James Monroe (Sc# 810), plus 2¢ John Adams (Sc# 806) Combination Usage

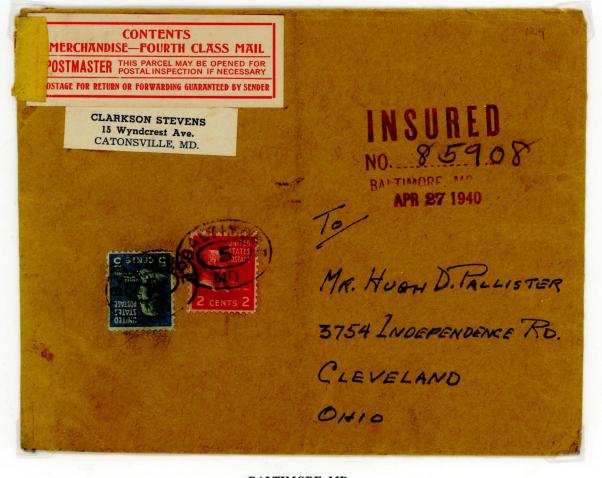
This cover demonstrates a combination usage paying the THIRD Class, not Fourth Class, Minimum Insured Rate.



## WHEN THE RATES DON'T ADD-UP!

It wasn't at all unusual for a sender to use a fourth class label on merchandise mail and pay third class rates when the package didn't weigh enough to be fourth class. After all, for merchandise, the only difference in 1940 was that third class couldn't be used over 16 ounces.

Here, a total of 7¢ is on the mail. Fourth Class Mail would have cost 14¢ for a Zone 3, with Minimum Insurance.



BALTIMORE, MD. APR 27 1940 TO CLEVELAND, OH.

A pair of black 21mm x 30mm double-oval BALTIMORE, MD., number 5 numerical center cancels tie the stamps to this self-made cover sent by insured, third class mail-- not fourth class mail.

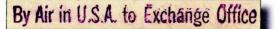
#### "8¢ Rate"\*

8¢ (per 1 oz.) Airmail Service Within USA and Surface Service to a U.P.U. Country Beyond! \*June 21, 1938 through March 25, 1944.

## 8¢ Martin Van Buren (Sc# 813) Solo Usage

This cover demonstartes Airmail service within the continental U.S., to an Exchange Office, with Surface Rate from there to a full-rate UPU country. The rate became eight cents per ounce to all UPU countries from March 26, 1944 until October 1, 1946.





Red-Violet 5mm x 75mm Auxiliary Handstamp



Red-Violet 17mm x 58mm Air Mail Auxiliary Handstamp

## LOS ANGELES, CALIF. METROPOLITAN STA. SEP 8 8<sup>30</sup>PM 1938 to GLASGOW, SCOTLAND

The stamp is tied by a 30mm duplex circular date stamp with six-bar 13mmW x 33mmH eliptical grid numerical Killer with the #1 center. The #1 was normally reserved for the postmaster or the senior window clerk of that mail unit.

## "8¢ Rate"

8¢ (1 oz.) Surface Transport to a UPU country in Europe (other than Spain) and Airmail within Europe. "July 1, 1932 thru September 30, 1946.

## 3¢ Thomas Jefferson (Sc# 807), plus 5¢ James Monroe (Sc# 810) Combination Usage

The rate paid the surface rate within the U.S. to New York for the February sailing of the SS Conte de Savoja on appx. February 10, 1940. The exact date is unknown, as dates of departure were not printed due to German U-Boat targeting shipping traffic to Europe. The ship sailed from New York to Naples on a regular schedule. Airmail service would commence from Naples on approximately February 22 to Sarajevo, Yugoslavia and forwarded 333km by ground to Zmajevac.

T Charles to the JAN 31 630 PM ss conte di Savoja 1940 VIA AIR MAIL Mrs Otti Berger ILEUROPE <u>Zmajevač</u> Baranja **Par Avion By Air Mail** Jugoslavia FORM 2978 From Hilberreimer 3017 E 78 m Chicago JUL. U.S.A. **Back Stamp** CHICAGO. ILL. AIRMAIL JAN 31 630 PM 1940 TO

## ZMAJEVAC, BARANJA, YUGOSLAVIA

The stamps are tied by a machine cancel as follows: UNIVERSAL STAMPING MACHINE CO.

| Machine Specifications: |          |                   |              |  |  |
|-------------------------|----------|-------------------|--------------|--|--|
| DIAL TYPE:              | D(AM)    | KILLER TYPE:      | 300          |  |  |
| Dial Diameter:          | 22mm     | Killer Type:      | 7 Wavy Lines |  |  |
| Type Size:              | 2mm      | Wave Up/Down:     | Up           |  |  |
| Dial Variety:           | AIR MAIL | Killer Length:    | 50mm         |  |  |
| Gap to Killer:          | 15mm     | Killer Variety:   |              |  |  |
| Cancel Size:            | 22mm x 8 | 87mm (7/8"H x 3-3 | /8" L)       |  |  |

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30MM Bi-Sected Double Circle Receiving Cancel ZMAJEVAC, YUGOSLAVIA -1-III-40 10 (time) 2 (office)

#### "9¢ Rate"

9¢ (3 oz. x 9¢) Domestic Letter Rate July 6, 1932, through July 31, 1958

#### 3¢ Thomas Jefferson (Sc# 807x3) Multiple Usage

This cover demonstrates multiliple usage for a (3 oz.) Domestic Letter Rate sent to a Seaman Second Class at the Submarine Administration Div., Mare Island, Calif. and forwarded until it was delivered to the U.S.S. BUGARO.



Bugara's war operations extended from 21 February to 17 August 1945. The patrol in the Gulf of Siam was highlighted by a series of excellently conducted gun attacks which disposed of 57 small ships totaling 5284 tons. All except two of these vessels were boarded and their native crews put safely ashore with their personal belongings. One of the incidents of this patrol was an encounter with a Japanese ship manned by a Chinese crew being attacked by Malay pirates! The Bugara rescued the Chinese, sank the Japanese ship, and then disposed of the pirates. On 17 August 1945 Bugara arrived at Fremantle, Australia, from her last war patrol. After a few days Bugara sailed to Subic Bay, Philippine Islands, and joined the other units of her squadron. For the remainder of 1945 she operated out of Subic Bay. In January 1946 she returned to San Diego via Pearl Harbor.



#### **Re-direct** to the USSBugara



Back Stamps



### LOS ANGELES 2, CALIF. MAR 28 12 PM 1945 TO MARE ISLAND, ISLAND forwarded to:

### WEST COAST SOUND SCHOOL SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. forwarded to: F.P.O. U.S.S. BUGARA SS-331 (SUBMARINE)

The stamps are tied by a Universal Stamping Machine Co., machine cancel at Los Angeles, Calif., on March 28, 1945. It received the following backstamps on the way to the USS Bugara:

A.) Two "U.S. NAVY DIRECTORY 7TH FLEET" 28mm red-violet hand stamps.

B.) One black 'NEW YORK 10528 BR. MAY 13 1945" 30mm c.d.s. C.) One black 42mm "DIRECTORY SERVICE given at WEEST COAST SOUND SCHOOL, SAN DIEGO, CALIF. 21 SEP 1945."

D.) A red-violet 30mm NEW YORK, N.Y. 10932 BR. OCT 10 1945."

E.) And a final black 30mm U.S. SUBMARINE UNIT 3002 \* OCT 15.

1945" at Subic Bay, Luzon, Philippine Islands, locale of the USS Bugara.

### "10¢ Rate"

### 5¢ (1oz.) + 5¢ (Fee) Foreign Supplementary Mail Rates (or Secondary Rate) \* July 7, 1853 thru September 5, 1939.

### 2¢ G. Washington - 1922 Issue (Sc# 634x2), plus 3¢ Thomas Jefferson (Sc# 807x2) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage for a single- weight, one-ounce (1 oz.) cover to England via the S.S. LE FRANCE.

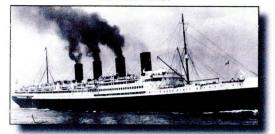
#### SUPPLEMENTARY MAIL SERVICE

Two kinds of supplementary mail were available Doemestic & Foreign: For Foreign mail. For New York, the postmaster general established in 1853 a fee of double the regular rate. This paid to get the mail aboardship after the regular mail closing and before sailing time. The service continued until 1939.

The concept of supplementary mail was adapted from Great Britain (tbe "late fee"), where mail deposited " late" was charged a fee for being included in a late dispatch when deposited after the regular mail closing time. Use of late fees in Great Britain was wid es pread and late fees were charged on both domestic and foreign mail.

NOVIG 930AM DDI ENEWTARY Ernest Gadern Esq. 22 Londen Road Reading, Berls. England 1. S. He re trance

S.S. LeFrance



SS France was a French ocean liner which sailed for the Compagnie Générale Transatlantique, colloquially known as CGT or the "French Line". She was later christened Versailles of the Atlantic, a reference to her décor which reflected the famous palace outside Paris. Ordered in 1908, she was introduced into the Transatlantic route in April 1912, just a week after the sinking of RMS Titanic, and was the only French liner among the famous "four stackers".

### NEW YORK, N. Y. G.P.O. NOV 19 930 AM 1938 TO READING, ENGLAND

The stamps were cancelled by a black 27mm duplex circular datestamp with 13mmW x 33H x 1mm T ten-bar elliptal grid killer, with the "G.P.O." Station designator. The cover included an additional red-violet 3mm H x 47mm L "SUPPLEMENTARY MAIL" auxiliary hand stamp marking in the upper center portion of the cover.



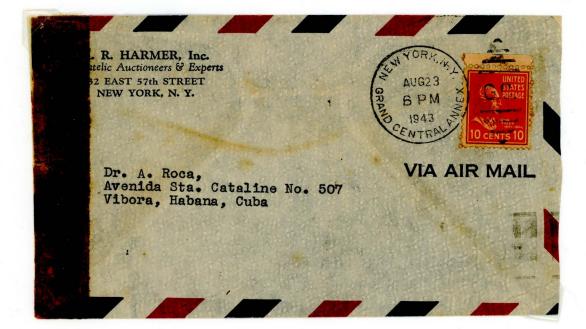
"10¢ Rate"

10¢ (½ oz.) PUAS Air Mail Rate, Cuba\* \*December 1, 1932 through June 28, 1945

### 10¢ John Tyler (Sc# 815) Solo Usage

This censored cover demonstrates a solo usage for a single-weight, half-ounce (½ oz.) Air Mail Rate to Cuba.

The cover was opened, censored and re-sealed by U.S. Civil Censor #9805 located in the New York City Civil Censorship facility.



## NEW YORK, N.Y. GRAND CENTRAL ANNEX AUG 23 6 PM 1943 TO HAVANA, CUBA

The stamps were cancelled by a black 30mm duplex circular datestamp with eight-bar 13mm x 33mm alpha station elliptical killer.

The Cuban machine receiving cancel backstamp is as follows:

INTERNATIONAL POSTAL SUPPLY CO., cancellation

| DIAL TYPE:       | D      | KILLER TYPE:      | SLOGAN |
|------------------|--------|-------------------|--------|
| Dial Diameter:   | 22mm   | Killer Type:      | SLOGAN |
| Type Size:       | 3mm    | Wave Up/Down:     |        |
| Dial Variety:    |        | Killer OAL:       | 50mm   |
| Gap to Killer:   | 10mm   | Killer Variety:   |        |
| Spanish&English: | BUY C  | UBAN SUGAR        |        |
| Cancel Size:     | 22mm x | 80mm (7/8"H x 3-1 | /8"L)  |



"11¢ Rate" 11¢ Transient Second-Class Rate July 1, 1928, through April 1, 1952

11¢ James K. Polk (Sc# 816) solo usage

This cover demonstrates solo usage paying the Second-class, transient rates were one cent per each two ounces or fraction thereof.

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BALTIMORE, MD. MAR 2 9-PM 1948 TO LITITZ, PA.

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Attentionalin. Prent Browner. A business-to-business cover with no contents is cancelled with an International Postal Supply Co. machine Dial-5 Killer-6 Machine-7. Presidentials Used in Lieu of Postage Due!

"12¢ Rate"

12¢ (2 oz.) Domestic Air Mail Letter Rate July 1, 1934, through March 25, 1944

6¢ Transport Issue (Sc# C23), with 2¢ John Adams (Sc# 806-strip of 3) Used in Lieu of Postage Due Combination Usage

AGE DUE 6 CENTS

This scarce commercial cover demonstrates a two-ounce rate Domestic Air Mail cover with a strip of three Presidentials used to pay "6 CENTS POSTAGE DUE".

The use of "Prexies-in-lieu-of" Postage Due was done as there was a shortage of Postage Due stamps.

> LOS ANGELES 1, CA. NOV 7 7PM 1941 TO CANTON, MA.

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The stamps are tied by a machine cancellation as follows: UNIVERSAL STAMPING MACHINE CO. cancellation

| DIAL TYPE:     | D        | KILLER TYPE:        | Slogan    |
|----------------|----------|---------------------|-----------|
| Dial Diameter: | 21mm     | Killer Type:        | Slogan    |
| Type Size:     | 2mm      | Wave Up/Down:       |           |
| Dial Variety:  | 1:Left   | Killer OAL:         | 50mm      |
| Gap to Killer: | 12mm     | Killer Variety:     | Luff# 630 |
| "BUY DEFEN     | SE SAVIN | GS BONDS AND STA    | MPS"      |
| Cancel Size:   | 21mm x   | 85mm (7/8"H x 3-5/1 | (6"L)     |

### "15¢ Rate"

15¢ (1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>¢ per 2 oz.) Printed Matter, U.P.U. Surface Rate April 1, 1932, through October 31, 1953

> 15¢ James Buchanan (Sc# 820) Solo Usage

This wrapper demonstrates a solo usage paying the twenty-ounce, International Printed Matter Rate to Europe with a "Presente a la Douane N<sup>a</sup>. 18" (Presented at Customs N<sup>a</sup>. 18) circular hand stamp. The stamp tied with a 28mm double oval "BALTIMORE, MD. 36" cancel.

# FROM THE WALTERS ART GALLERY BALTIMORE 1, MARYLAND

Mons. Julien Tondriau 110 Avenue Basilique Bonsecours, BELGIUM



POSTMASTER: CONTENTS-BOOKS. THIS PARCEL MAY BE OPENED FOR POSTAL INSPECTION IF NECESSARY. RETURN POSTAGE GUARANTEED.

### "15¢ Rate"

15¢ (1/2 oz.) European Air Mail Rate,\* France. \*November 1, 1946, thru April 30, 1967.

### 1¢ George Washington (Sc# 804 x 15) Multiple Usage

This cover demonstrates multiple usage for a European airmail letter to France.

AiR- MAIL HOTEL HILTON The Home of the Traveler Harrison at Montgomery Street SYRACUSE, N. Y. M: P. Lavalle 29 me Mogador Paris - France Par Avion By Air Mail FORM 2978

## SYRACUSE, N. Y. SEP 6 9PM 1948 TO PARIS, FRANCE

The stamps are cancelled at "SYRACUSE, N.Y." by a 30mm black circular datestamp with an eight-bar elliptical grid 13mmW x 33mm H killer with numerical center identifying the postal clerk cancelling the cover. The number 1 was normally reserved for the senior window clerk or postmaster of the postal unit.

### "16¢ Rate"

6¢ (1 oz.) Domestic Air Mail Letter Rate\* \*July 1, 1934, through October 31, 1944 plus,

10¢ Special Delivery Fee\*\* \*\*October 1, 1885, through December 31, 1943.

### 10¢ John Tyler (Sc# 815), plus 6¢ Eagle Holding Shield Air Mail (Sc# C23) Combination Usage

A WWII Patriotic Cover demonstrating a combination usage to pay a oneounce Domestic Air Mail Rate with Special Delivery Service requested.



#### Front Panel: Auxillary Mark

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#### Back Panel: Receiving Cancel



### SANTA CLARA, CA. NOV 13 2<sup>30</sup>PM 1941 TO PHOENIX, AZ.

The stamps are cancelled by an International Postal Supply Co., machine cancel with seven-bar way line Killer and the cover was backstamped on receipt on "NOV 14, 1941 8:30AM PHOENIX, ARIZ."

The cover has a Special Delivery red-violet auxiliary mark, "FEE CLAIMED AT, PHOENIX, ARIZONA", indicated the Phoenix Post Office was claiming 8¢ of the 10¢ Special Delivery Fee for the delivery of the cover to the addressee. (Sec 783.2 Receipts for special delivery matter delivered.)

#### "17¢ Rate"

2¢ (1 oz.) First Class, Local Letter Rate, plus July 1, 1933, through March 26, 1944 15¢ Registery Fee (≤\$5.00 Indemnity) July 1, 1932, through March 26, 1944

> ~~~ 17¢ Andrew Johnson (Sc# 822) Solo Usage ~~~

The rate for a local letter at a carrier post office was two cents from July 1, 1933 until March 26, 1944, and the minimum fee for registry was fifteen cents over the same period.

This registered cover was sent within Brooklyn, then "Forwarded" to Maine



The Back Stamps



### BROOKLYN, N. Y. OCT 8 1942 to BROOKLYN, N. Y. "FORWARDED TO" NORTHEAST HARBOR, ME.

The stamps are cancelled by a 30mm x 20mm Double-Oval, Blind Killer. The cover is back stamped with (2) red-purple 30mm Round-Dater c.d.s. "BROOKLYN, N.Y. REGISTERED OCT 8, 1942" mailing station cancel; one (1) 30mm Round-Dater c.d.s., "BROOKLYN, N.Y. (NEW LOTS STA.) REGISTERED OCT 9, 1942" delivery-then Forwarding Station cancel; THEN, one (1) 30mm Round-Dater c.d.s, "NORTHEAST HARBOR, MAINE REGIS-TERED OCT 12, 1942" receiving and final delivery post office cancel.

### "17¢ Rate"\*

17¢ PUAS Air Mail Rate to South America (10¢ for the first 1/2 Oz., plus 7¢ each add'l Oz.) \*November 1, 1946 through June 30, 1961.

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1¢ George Washington (Sc# 804 x 2) plus 3¢ Thomas Jefferson (Sc# 807 x 3), uprates 6¢ DC-4 Skymaster Postal Stationary (Sc# UC15) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates combination usage for a one ounce (1 oz.) air mail rate to South America.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. OCT 4 2 AM 1953 TO SANTIAGO, CHILE

The stamps were cancelled at "WASHINGTON, D.C." by duplex 30mm circlular date stamp cancellation with a eight-bar 33mmH x 12mmW numerical killer. The cover was received in "SANTIAGO, CHILE, 5 OCT 1953 19PM".

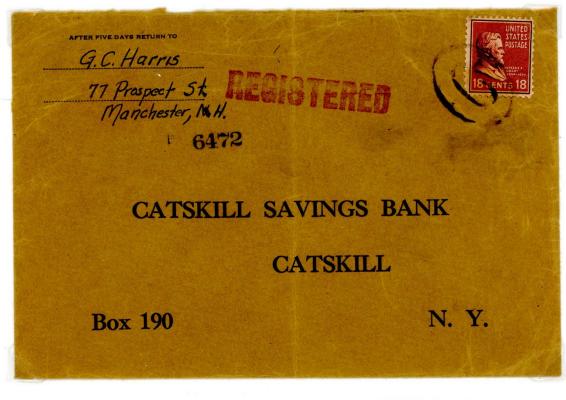


"18¢ Rate"

3¢ (1 oz.) Domestic Letter Rate*, plus *July 6, 1932, through July 31, 1958 15¢ Registery Fee** (≤\$5.00 Indemnity) **July 1, 1932, through March 24, 1944

18¢ Ulysses S. Grant (Sc# 823) Solo Usage

This consumer-to-business cover demonstrates a solo usage paying a single-weight, one-ounce (1 oz.) Registered Letter with base declared indemnity.



The Photoshop Enhanced Back Stamps



MANCHESTER, N.H. DEC 19 1940 TO CATSKILL, N.Y.

The stamp is tied by a 21mm H x 28mm W double-oval blind killer cancel while the cover is back stamped with four (4) red-violet 30mm c.d.s., as follows: (A.) two "MANCHESTER, N.H., REGISTERED DEC 19, 1940" mailing post office cancellations and (B.) two "CATSKILL, N.Y., REGISTERED DEC 20, 1940" receiving post office cancellations.

"18¢ Rate"

5¢ (102.) Domestic Air Mail*, plus *October 1, 1946 through December 31, 1948 13¢ Special Delivery Rate** =18¢ *November 1, 1944, through December 31, 1948

7¢ Postage Due

3¢ Thomas Jefferson (Sc# 807 x 2), plus 5¢ James Monroe (Sc# 810), 10¢ War Savings Stamps (Sc# WSS12) Not Valid for Postage! Combination Usage plus 5¢ Dull Carmine Postage Due (Sc#J83) 3¢ Dull Carmine Postage Due (Sc#J82)

This cover demonstrates a single-weight half-ounce (loz.) Air Mail letter Rate with Special Delivery service.

Washington, D.C. Auxiliary Handstamps

This cover demonstrates three red-violet auxiliary straightline handstamps: 1. 2-line 3mmH x 30mm; This stamp NOT

good for postage

2. 1-line 3mm x 45mm: POSTAGE DUE _____CENTS

3. 1-line 4mm x 68mm: Insufficient postage for Special Delivery



Backstamp Receiving Cancel



TEANECK, N.J. /WEST ENGLEWOOD, N.J. APR 6 12^wPM 1948

WASHINGTON, D.C. APR 5 10 PM 1948 TO WEST ENGLEWOOD, N.J.

The stamps are tied to the cover by a 30mm diameter duplex circular date stamp cancellation with a 13mmW x 33mmH X 1mm T ten-bar elliptical grid killer and numerical center.

"18¢ Rate" --> RETURN "30¢ Rate" 8¢ (1¢>to 70lb./lb.) Fourth-Class, Parcel Post, Library Rate* 2 Way Tag Reversible Mailing Tag Usage *July 1, 1928, through December 31, 1948 10¢ Insurance Minimum Fee* "November 1, 1944, through December 31, 1948

9¢ William Henry Harrison (Sc# 814 pair)

Multiple Usage

A business-to-business commercial library film two-way mailing tag demonstrating a multiple usage to pay the Domestic Fourth Class Library Rate with Minimum Insurance Fee.



NEW BERLIN, N.Y. FEB 26 1947 TO

PENN YAN, N.Y.

The stamps are tied to the card by a 60mm L x 18mmH double-line flats roller cancel, plus the card includes a 48mm red-violet oval "INSURED MINIMUM FEE" and 30mm double circle "NEW BERLIN, N.Y., FEB 26, 1947" mailing station cancel.



"30¢ Rate" 8¢ (8¢+1.1¢/lb.) Fourth-Class, Parcel Post, Zone 2 Rate* 2 Way Tag Reversible Mailing Tag Usage *July 1, 1928, through December 31, 1948 20¢ Insurance SERVICE (\$5.01 TO \$25.00)** = 30¢ *November 1, 1944, through December 31, 1948

RETURN SIDE

"18¢ U.S. Grant" on a "M3 Lee/Grant Tank WWII design Huss Patriotic Cover" (3c Letter Rate: 07-01-32 to 07-31-58)

18¢ Ulysses S. Grant (Sc# 823) Solo Usage

This "philatelically" mailed World War II patriotic cover demonstrates a solo usage (by/to) to the designer.

Today, few people would recognize the tank design illustrated on the cover was named after "Ulysses S. Grant" -- the same stamp design that graced the cover.



EVANSTON, ILL. AUG 15 8 PM 1944 INTERCITY

The World War II patriotic cover design was illustrated by "Diana" Huss and sold by her husband M. J. Huss. Huss was also the possessor of P.O. Box 693, Evanston, Ill.

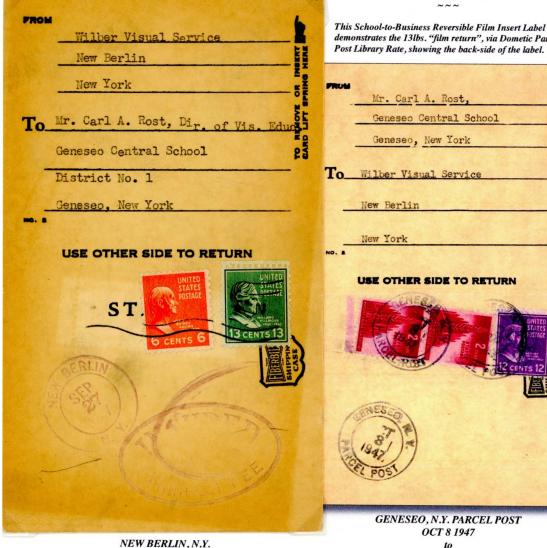
M.J. Huss produced a large variety of illustrated WWII Patriotic cover designs similar to the type above.

"19¢ Rate"*

(16¢ Uninsured (13lbs.) Library Rate, plus 3¢ Minimum Fee Insured = 19¢*) *January 1, 1949, through January 6, 1968 ~ ~ ~

> 6¢ John Quincy Adams (Sc# 811) 13¢ Millard Fillmore (Sc# 818) **Combination** Usage

This Business-to School Reversible Film Insert Label demonstrates the 13lbs. Domestic Parcel Post Library Rate, with Minimum Fee Insurance.



NEW BERLIN, N.Y.

This Insert Film Mailing Label was turned-over and mailed uninsured, with stamps tied by 30mm double-circle circular date stamp parcel post date stamps.

GENESEO, N.Y. Film Mailing Label mailed with stamps tied by parcel post roller cancel. The Reversible Insert Film Mailing Label bears a red-violet 30mm New Berlin, N.Y., double-circle circular date stamp plus a 50mm x 31mm oval "INSURED MINIMUM FEE" auxiliary marking.

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Reverse: Return Side of Card

"16¢ Rate"*

16¢ Uninsured (13lbs.) Library Rate *January 1, 1949, through January 6, 1968

2¢ Allied Nations United for Victory (Sc# 907x2) 12¢ Zachary Taylor (Sc# 817) **Combination Usage**

demonstrates the 13lbs. "film return", via Dometic Parcel Post Library Rate, showing the back-side of the label.

> CARD 2

"20¢ Rate"*

1¢ (per oz.) Third-Class, Book, Catalog & Material for Planting Rate* *April 15, 1925, through January 1, 1949 15¢ Special Delivery Fee (Other than 1st Class, ≤2lbs.)** *July 1, 1928, through November 1, 1944

> 5¢ James Monroe (Sc# 810), plus 15¢ Motorcycle Messenger (Sc# E16) Combination Usage

This portion of a wrapper demonstrates Third Class Rate usage with Special Delivery Fee for Other Than First Class Rate. Though mailed by Third Class, the package travelled the 635 miles between the two Post Offices within the same day of mailing!

> SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. MAY 11 1939 to PORTLAND, OR.



"20¢ Rate"

5¢ International Surface Letter Rate* *October 1, 1907, through November 1, 1953 15¢ International Registry Fee** *December 1, 1925, through January 30, 1945

> 5¢ James Monroe (Sc# 810), plus 15¢ James Buchanan (Sc# 820) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage covering a one-ounce (1 oz.) Registered International Surface Mail letter to Germany. The letter is included in German.

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Backstamps and Censor Tape



BELOIT, WIS JUN 5 1941 to

FLENSBURG, GERMANY

The stamps on this cover were cancelled at BELOIT, WISC., by a 30mm W x 20mm H Black double oval blind killer and are lacking the normal mailing office cancels. The cover is backstamped with a 33mm W x 28mm.H black double oval (A.) "NEW YORK, N.Y. 6-7-1941 FOREIGN" dept. transit cancel where it was re-registered and was stamped in red with the (B.) #19813. The cover was censored in Bermuda by(C.) British Censor #6048 and re-sealed on the left side. The cover was re-opened and bears a 38mm wide manila re-sealing tape of (D.) "CODE E (FRANKFURT) GERMAN HIGH COM-MAND". The tape was struck with a (E.) red "Wehrmacht" hand stamp "approving" and "passing" the cover. The cover bears two postal clerk handling marks (F.) "221" & "222". The cover received a 28mm double-circle receiving cancel at (G.) "FLENSBURG 1 (GERMANY) 23.7.41-19 (19=7PM)" and was re-registered with the purple (H.) #1498/50."

"20¢ Rate"*

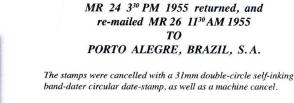
20¢ (10¢ x 1/2 oz.) Double Air Mail Rate to South America *November 1, 1946, through June 30, 1961

3¢ Statue of Liberty ~ Liberty Issue (Sc# 1035e x 6), plus 2¢ George Washington ~ Presidential Issue (Sc# 804 x 2) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage for a double-weight, one-ounce airmail cover to Brazil. The cover was returned to the sender for ten cents postage due, which was added to the face and the back of the cover. (shown below)



Additional Six Cents Postage Due, Plus Backstamp Receiving Cancel





Returned for <u>10</u>cents additional postage. The AIR MAIL rate to this country is <u>10</u>cents per HALF ounce. Postage must be fully prepaid.



CORREIO AEREO DR*BRAZIL*RS 29 MAR. 5 (10 April 1948)

"20¢ Rate"

20¢ (1/2 oz.) International Air Mail Rate,* Europe *May 1, 1967 thru June 30, 1971

> 20¢ James A. Garfield (Sc# 825) Solo Usage

This cover demonstrates combination usage for a single-rate, half-ounce International Air Mail Letter to England.

H. R. HARMER, Inc.

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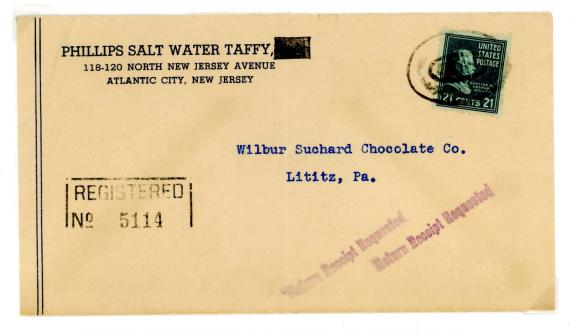
The stamp is tied by the following machine cancel: INTERNATIONAL POSTAL SUPPLY CO., Machine Specifications:

| DIAL TYPE: | D-8 | KILLER TYPE: | SLOGAN |
|----------------|--------|-------------------|-----------|
| Dial Diameter: | 22mm | Killer Type: | Slogan |
| Type Size: | 3mm | Wave Up/Down: | |
| Dial Variety: | 8:R | Killer OAL: | 53mm |
| Gap to Killer: | 10mm | Killer Variety: | truncated |
| Cancel Size: | 22mm x | 83mm (7/8"H x 3-1 | /4"L) |

"21¢ Chester A. Arthur" Sc# 826

This cover demonstrates a single-weight Domestic Letter Rate (three cents) with minimum Registration Fee (fifteen cents) and Return Receipt Request (three cents).

This combination of rates were in effect July 6, 1932, through March 24, 1944.



USAGE: ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. AUG 25 1942 TO LITITZ, PA.



The Backstamp Cancellation: Double Circle Registered Handstamp

Manufactured by the Baumgarten Company of Washington, D.C., this device has a wooden handle attached to a cast metal socket. A foam rubber cushion and rubber marking die has two concentric circles, lettering between them, and center slots for month, date, and year. The rubber cushion and marking die are joined by rubber cement. This assembly is inserted into the handle socket. Its imprint was also applied to receipts and official reports pertaining to registered mail. Ordinarily, these imprints were made using red ink, contributing to the nickname 'reds' for registered mail.²

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"21¢ Rate"

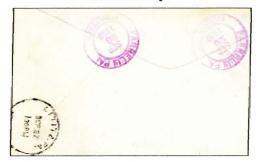
(3¢ 1 oz. Domestic Letter Rate + 15¢ Basic Registered Letter + 3¢ Return Receipt Fee = 21¢) Rates in effect July 6, 1932, through March 24, 1944.

18¢ Ulysses S. Grant (Sc# 823) and 3¢ Washington Circular Die Postal Stationary (Sc# U436~Die 7) combination usage

This business-to-business cover demonstrates a combination usage of Presidential Issues on a Registered Letter with a \$50.00 declared value indemnity and Return Receipt Request.



The Back Stamps



FARRELL, PA., SEP 26 1939 to LITITZ, PA.

The stamps are cancelled by a 29mm W x 19mm H oval double-circle dumb killer; while the cover is back stamped with two (2) red purple 30mm double-circle postmarks "FARRELL PA. REGISTERED SEP 26 1939" and one (1) 30mm black c.d.s., "LITITZ, PA. REC'D SEP 27 130PM."

"21¢ Kate"

3¢ (1 oz.) First-Class Letter Rate*, plus *July 6, 1932, through July 31, 1958 15¢ Registry Service Fee** (≤\$5 Indemnity), plus **July 1, 1932, through March 25, 1944. 3¢ Return Receipt Fee*** = 21¢ ***April 15, 1925, through March 25, 1944.

> 1c For Defense (Sc# 899), plus 10¢ John Tyler (Sc# 815 pair) Combination Usage

A government cover demonstrates a one-ounce (1 oz.) Domestic Registered Letter, with base indemnity and return receipt request. The shows an auxiliary "Pointing Finger" red-violet" RERTURNED TO WRITER REASON CHECKED" handstamp showing non-delivery.

The Back Stamps



Cancellations, Left-to-Right 1. RIVERSIDE, N.Y. REGISTERED APR 8 1942 2. RIVERSIDE, N.Y. REGISTERED APR 8 1942 4. RIVERSIDE, N.Y. REGISTERED MAR 7 1942 4. RIVERSIDE, N.Y. REGISTERED MAR 24 1942 5. ST. JAMES, N.Y. REGISTERED MAR 26 1942

RIVERHEAD, N.Y. MAR 24 1942 TO ST. JAMES. N.Y. - RIVERHEAD, N.Y.

The stamps are tied by a 27mm X 20mm double-oval blind killers; while the cover multiple red-violet 29mm diameter circular date stamps (2) "RIVERHEAD, N.Y. REGIS-TERED MAR 24 1942" mailing post office cancels, a 'SAINT JAMES, N.Y. REGISTERED MAR 26 1942" receiving and "SAINT JAMES, N.Y. REGISTERED APR 7 1942", returning and a "RIVERHEAD, N.Y. REGIS-TERED APR 8 1942" returned receipt cancel.



"21¢ Rate"

6¢ (3¢ x 20z.) Domestic Letter Rate,* plus *July 6, 1932, thru July 31, 1958 15¢ Registry Fee** (\$0-\$5 Indemnity) = 21¢ **July 1, 1932, through March 25, 1944

3¢ Thomas Jefferson Horizontal Coil (Sc# 842 x 7) Multiple Usage

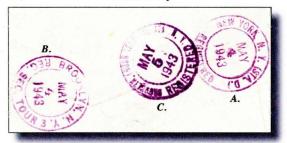
This cover demonstrates a multiple usage on a Registered Letter with \$ 5.00 Indemnity.

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The five (5) stamps clustered at the top pay the registry fee, while the two (2) stamps above the registry number pay the postage.



The Back Stamps



NEW YORK, N.Y. (STA. D.) MAY 4 1943 to BROOKLYN, N.Y.

The stamps are cancelled by a 27mm W x 20mm H blind Double Oval while the cover is backstamped with four (4) red-violet 30mm diameter double-circle postmarks as follows: A.) two "NEW YORK, N.Y. (STA. D.) REGISTERED MAY 4 1943"; B.) one "BROOKLYN, N.Y. REG. SEC. TOUR 3 MAY 4 1943" and; C.) one "BROOKLYN. (BUSH TERMINAL STA.) N.Y. REGISTERED MAY 5 1943." "23¢ Rate" 3¢ (1 oz.) First-Class, Letter, Surface Rate^{*}, plus "July 6, 1932, thru July 31, 1958 20¢ Special Delivery Fee^{**} = 23¢ "January 1, 1952, thru June 30, 1957.

> 3¢ Thomas Jefferson (Sc# 807) plus 20¢ Truck Special Delivery (Sc# E19) Combination Usage

> > ind Chocolate Co.

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This commercial cover demonstrates a combination usage for a (1 oz.) Domestic Letter Rate, with Special Delivery service.





UNION CITY, N.J. FEB 5 7 PM 1952 TO LITITZ, PA.

The stamps are tied to the cover by a 30mm diameter duplex circular date stamp cancellation with 8-bar eliptical numerical geometric grid Killer tht measures 13mm W x 33mm H. The cover has a "LITITZ, PA. REC'D FEB 6 1PM" back stamp receiving cancel. "23¢ Rate" 3¢ (1 oz.) First-Class, Letter, Surface Rate^{*}, plus "July 6, 1932, thru July 31, 1958 20¢ Special Delivery Fee^{**} = 23¢ "January 1, 1952, thru June 30, 1957.

3¢ Thomas Jefferson (Sc# 807pair) plus 17¢ Motorcycle Special Delivery (Sc# E18) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage for a (1 oz.) Domestic Letter Rate, with Special Delivery service.

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Receiving Cancel



POTTSVILLE, PA. APR 21 9 AM 1954 TO LITITZ, PA.

The stamps are tied to the cover by a 30mm diameter duplex circular date stamp cancellation with 6-bar 13mmW x 33mmH eliptical numerical geometric grid Killer. The cover received a 28mm black LITITZ, PA. c.d.s. backstamp receiving cancel on April 22, 7AM 1952.

"23¢ Rate"

23¢ (first 1 lb.; 143 Mi distance = Zone 2) 4th Class, Parcel Post Merchandise Rate* 2 Way Tag Reversible Mailing Tag Usage *October 1, 1053, through Echnegry 1, 1060

*October 1, 1953, through February 1, 1960

15¢ James Buchanan (Sc# 820), plus 8¢ Martin Van Buren (Sc# 813) Combination Usage

Front of a business-to-business commercial tag demonstrating a combo usage to pay the Domestic 4th Class (1 lb.) Parcel Post Rate for Zone 2 Delivery Rate; Zone 2 defined as 50 - 150 Mile Radius of shipping point; Tacoma, Wa. to Portland, Or., IS A DISTANCE OF 142.7 MILES.

(Note: There is a "PRINT CODE" located on the left side, running horizontally reading: PRINTED IN THE U.S.A./FORM A15/1500-12-55-91422. This translates to: 1500 cards printed; Date: 12-1955; Purchase Order: 91422. This information narrows the "date of postal usage."



TACOMA, WA. TO PORTLAND, OR. (December, 1955 based on printing code on tag - July 31, 1958)

The stamps are tied to the card by a 33mm Wx 17 H Parcel Post box cancel. The two-sided card was used to return a lock (#186) for repair. Postage was required to be paid both ways by Amr. Locker. The blue #186 indicated the lock number.

REVERSE SIDE: AFTER LOCK REPAIR, CARD FLIPPED OVER, RE-USED AND RETURNED TO ORIGINAL SHIPPER



PORTLAND, OR. to TACOMA, WA. (December, 1955 based on printing code on tag - July 31, 1958) Stamps tied by Parcel Post roller cancel. RETURN SIDE

"23¢ Rate" &¢ (5¢+3¢=2oz.) U.P.U Surface Letter Rate*, plus *October 1, 1907, through October 31, 1953 plus 15¢ Registry Fee (\$9.65 Indemnity) = 23¢ **October 1, 1907, through November 1, 1953

5¢ James Monroe (Sc# 810), plus 20¢ James A. Garfield (Sc# 825) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage for a single-weight, one-ounce registered airmail envelope, with declared value, to England.

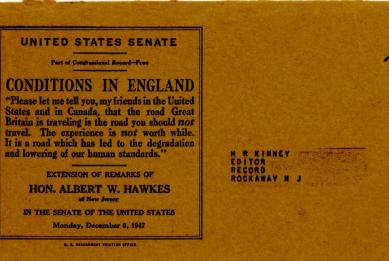
The cover is nicknamed a "blue line cover" based on the blue crossed lines drawn on its front and back. The British Post Office introduced the blue lines on postal stationary in 1870 to signify "Registered Mail", on sight, to postal clerks. The blue crossed lines survived use on registered letters until 1998.

TAMPA, FL. DEC 13 1939 to

SHERBORNE, ENGLAND

The stamps are cancelled with a Tampa Bay Roller Cancel. The cover is backstamped with the appropriate "TAMPA, FLA. REGISTERED DEC 13 1939" red-violet double-circle hand stamp with an additional transit cancel at "NEW YORK, N.Y. FOREIGN 12.14.1939". The cover has a purple "REGISTERED (SHELBORNE DO) RSET 28 DEC 39" receiving cancel backstamps.







24¢ (8 oz. x 3¢) Domestic First Class Letter Rate July 6, 1932, through July 31, 1958

6¢ John Quincy Adams (Sc# 811 x 4) Multiple Usage

This "Free Frank" cover with postage demonstrates a multiple usage on a the heavy-weight (8 oz.) First Class Letter Rate by U.S. Senator Hon. Albert Wahl Hawkes of New Jersey containing "remarks" made in the U.S. Senate on Monday, December 8, 1947.

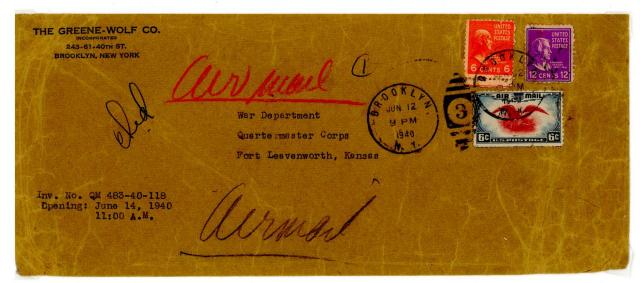
In 1942, he was elected in New Jersey as a Republican to the U.S. Senate and served from January 3, 1943, to January 3, 1949; he was not a candidate for renomination in 1948, and resumed former business accivities in Montclair, New Jersey until 1961, when he moved to Pasadena, California. He was a trustee of the Freedoms Foundation, where the Hawkes Library (in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania) was named after him. He died on May 9, 1971 in Palm Desert, California. He was interved in Mount Hebron Cemetery, in Monclair, New Jersey.

His daughter in law, Jane White Hawkes, was the second wife of the late Alistair Cooke, the British-American journalist who was host of Masterpiece Theatre.



NEWTON, N. J. DECEMBER ?, 1947 TO ROCKAWAY, N. J.

The stamps are cancelled by a 19mm x 28mm double-oval town killer at the mailing station "NEWTON, N.J.".



24¢ (6¢ x 4 oz.) Domestic, Air Mail, Letter Rate July 1, 1934, thru March 25, 1944

6¢ John Quincy Adams (Sc# 811), plus 12¢ Zachary Taylor (Sc# 817), and 6¢ Eagle Holding Shield Air Mail (Sc# C23) Combination Usage

This cover contained a "Bid" from a Greene-Wolf Wholesale Beer Distributor in Brooklyn, N.Y., to the Quartermaster Corp., to supply a local contract, with beer and/or soda and related products. BROOKLYN, N.Y. JUNE 12 9 PM 1940 TO FORT LEAVENWORTH, KANS.

The stamps are cancelled by a 30mm diameter duplex circular datestamp with a 13mmW x 33mmH six-bar elliptical grid numerical #3 center Killer.

24¢ (8¢ x 3oz.) Domestic Air Mail Letter Rate March 26, 1944, thru September 30, 1946

> 24¢ Benjamin Harrison (Sc# 828) Solo Usage

This cover demonstrates a solo usage paying a three-ounce (3 oz) truple weight domestic Air Mail Letter.

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LITITZ, PA.

The stamp is tied by a 30mm duplex circular date stamp with a 33mm H x 13mm W six-bar elliptical grid killer with numerical center. Cancellation device belonged to Postal Clerk No. 53 and no two clerks were permitted to use the same numerical device.

9¢ (3¢ x 3 oz.) Letter Canada Treaty Rate,* plus *September 1, 1931, thru September 1, 1958 15¢ International Registry Service (\$9.65 Indemnity) *December 1, 1925 thru January 31, 1945

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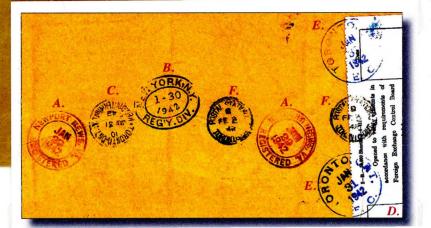
15¢ James Buchanan (Sc# 820), plus 1¢ For Defense (Sc# 899), and 8¢ Martin Van Buren (Sc# 813) **Combination** Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage for a triple-weight, three-ounce (3 oz.) letter Canada Treaty Rate with international registaion service. The cover was opened and the contents checked by CANADA CUSTOMS and Front stamped with a large 46mm double-circle "NATIONAL REVENUE POSTAL BRANCH, TO-RONTO, ONT., 9 JAN 31 1942 DUTY FREE", and a Blue 30mm "TORONTO, ONT. E.C. (ECONOMIC CONTROL), JAN 31 1942."

NEWPORT NEWS, VA. JAN 29 1942 TO TORONTO, ONT., CANADA

The stamps are cancelled by a black 27mm W x 15mmH 'NEWPORT NEWS, VA., double-oval killer while the cover is back-stamped with following cancels: A.) 30mm "NEWPORT NEWS, VA., REGISTERED JAN 29 1942" mailing office; B.) 31mm x 25mm "NEW YORK, N.Y. REG'Y DIV. 1-30 1942" transit office; C.) 23mm TORONTO-ONTARIO REC.DIV. TERMINAL 'A' 10 JAN 31 42" receiving; D.) FOREIGN CONTROL BOARD LABEL I.B. 3-4-41, double stamped with; E.) Three Blue 30mm "TORONTO, ONT. E.C. (ECONOMIC CONTROL), JAN 31 1942", and;

F.) Two 22mm "POSTAL STATION TORONTO-ONT 8 FE 2 42" delivery office.



5¢ (1¢ x 5oz.) Local Non-Carrier Letter Rate*, plus 20¢ Registered Letter Fee* (\$0 - \$≤5.[™] Indemnity) *March 26, 1944 through December 31, 1948

> 25¢ William McKinley (Sc# 829) Solo Usage

This business-to-business cover demonstrates a solo usage for a five ounce (5 oz.) local non-carrier letter rate with registered letter service of \$5, or less declared value.

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PHILADELPHIA, PA. FEB 10 1948 TO LITITZ, PA.

The stamp is tied by an 18mm x 25mm double oval blind killer while the cover bears two (2) red-violet back stamp mailing station cancels at "PHILADELPHIA, PA. (FIDELTY STA.) FEB 10 1948." The cover lacks a required Lititz, PA., post office receiving cancellation.

3¢ (1 oz.) Domestic First Class Letter Rate*, plus *July 6, 1932 through July 31, 1958 15¢ Certified Mail Service**, and *June 7, 1955, through July 1, 1957 7¢ Return Receipt Service*** = 25¢ ***January 1, 1952, through March 21, 1981.

> 25¢ William McKinley (Sc# 829) Solo Usage

This cover demonstrates a single-weight, oneounce First Class letter with Certified Mail and Return Receipt Service fees.

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PHILADELPHIA, PA. MAR 2 5³⁰PM 1956 INTERCITY USAGE

The stamp is tied by the following machine cancel: INTERNATIONAL POSTAL SUPPLY CO. Machine Specifications:

| DIAL TYPE: | D-5 | KILLER TYPE: | SLOGAN |
|----------------|--------|-------------------|---------------|
| Dial Diameter: | 22mm | Killer Type: | Slogan & Bars |
| Type Size: | 3mm | Wave Up/Down: | |
| Dial Variety: | R-5 | Killer OAL: | 52mm |
| Gap to Killer: | 10mm | Killer Variety: | Luff# 3085 |
| Slogan: | "GIVE | + RED CROSS FUN | VD" |
| Cancel Size: | 22mm x | 84mm (7/8"H x 3-1 | /4"L) |

25¢ (1/2 oz.) FAM Air Mail Rate, to Columbia April 1, 1945, through December 17, 1945 This rate was in effect only 261 days!

6c Transport Plane Airmail ~ Booklet Issue(Sc# C26a x2), plus 1¢ George Washington ~ Booklet Issue (Sc# 804b), 3¢ Thomas Jefferson~ Booklet Issue (Sc# 807a x 2), uprate 6¢ Single Motor Airmail Stationary (Sc# UC3) **Combination Usage**

Initially returned for "Insufficient Postage", this cover demonstrates a combination usage paying the singleweight, half-ounce (1/2 oz.) FAM Airmail Letter Rate to Columbia. This rate was in effect less than one year!

The cover was opened, examined and resealed by a cellophane tape by New York Censor 5469. The is notable for the fact it was held for 135 days and then released and delivered with a black 6mm x 43mm (Type S. 6. 1. 6) "THIS ARTICLE HAS BEEN HELD BY THE OFFICE OF CENSORSHIP."

BY THE OFFICE OF CENSORSHIP (Her de Colombia) So. America Barranquilla

New York Censor #5469

Type S. 6. 1. 6 Pts Rating 100 of 250. Usage: Sept 1945

NEW YORK.N.Y. **SEP 12** 4-PM 1945

New York, N.Y. Censor Stamp THIS ARTICLE HAS BEEN HELD THE OFFICE OF CENSORSHI

CORREO AEREO 15. IX. 1945 BARRANQUILLA



WORCESTER, MASS. APR 25 5³⁰ PM 1945 TO BARRANQUILLA, COLUMBIA

The stamps are tied by an indiscernible machine cancel plus a black 25mm duplex circular datestamp with six-bar elliptical grid Killer with numerical #11 center.

The cover was open by a New York City-based Civil Censor # 5469 and re-sealed and held until being released on September 12, 1945 for delivery to Columbia.

The cover was received in Columbia three days later. The cover is backstamped with a 30mm double-circle Roman-style comb cancel reading "CORREO AEREO * BARRANQUILLA* 15.IX.1945" receiving office cancel.

25¢ (1/2 oz.) Columbia FAM Air Mail Rate April 1, 1945, through December 17, 1945 (This rate was effective only 261 days!)

> 20¢ James A. Garfield (Sc# 825) 5¢ James Monroe (Sc# 810), plus Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage covering a (½ oz.) Airmail Letter Rate to Columbia.

This rate is inclusive of both ordinary postage and that for air mail service; FAM from Miami and air in Columbia. Carriage by Columbian air service was from Cristobal or Columbian costal FAM stops.

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Backstamp Receiving Cancel



CORREO AEREO 14. XI. 1945 CALI. b

NEW YORK, N.Y. NOV 10 1-PM 1945 TO CALI, COLUMBIA

The stamps are tied by the following machine cancel: INTERNATIONAL POSTAL SUPPLY CO. cancellation

| DIAL TYPE: | D | KILLER TYPE: | STATION |
|----------------|--------|---------------------|---------|
| Dial Diameter: | 22mm | Killer Type: | Station |
| Type Size: | 3mm | Wave Up/Down: | |
| Dial Variety: | | Killer OAL: | 52mm |
| Gap to Killer: | 10mm | Killer Variety: | |
| Station: | Washin | gton Bridge Station | |
| Cancel Size: | 22mm x | 83mm (7/8"H x 3- | 1/4"L) |

25¢ (1/2 oz.) ASA Air Mail Rate, Africa November 1, 1946, through June 1, 1967 UNDERPAID BY 20¢

POSTAGE DUE U.S.20¢ = T120 FR. CENTIMES = 1/SH or 12d AFRIKAN PENCE

5¢ James Monroe (SC# 810) Solo Usage plus South Africa 6d Redrawn Postage Due (SG# D29a)

This cover demonstrates a combination usage for a single-weight, half-ounce (½0 z) Air Mail letter to South Africa, with U.S. and South African Postage Due markings from a Military Base in Berlin, Germany.

The cover was short-paid at a military facility. When it was routed into the regular U.S. postal mail stream at New York, it was sent to Idlewild Airfield where it received a red-violet 34mm circular date stamp backstamp on "January 2, 1949 Clerk 3" as well as a 33mm red-violet NEW YORK, N.Y. AIR FIELD T-120" POSTAGE DUE MARKING. Upon arrival in South Africa, the cover received a black 24mm "T 1/-" handstamp indicating translation of "T=120 Centimes" to South Africa Pound of "T=1/-" or "12 pence" COLLECTED at "ORANGE GROVE, JOHANNESBURG 12.I. A 49".



NEW YORK, N.Y. (IDEWILD) AIR MAIL FIELD 3 JAN 2 1949

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA

The stamp is cancelled by a Military Post Office machine cancel: UNIVERSAL STAMPING MACHINE CO. cancellation

| DIAL TYPE: | MILITARY | KILLER TYPE: | 200 |
|----------------|----------|-----------------|--------------|
| Dial Diameter: | 20mm | Killer Type: | 7 Wavy Lines |
| Type Size: | 2mm | Wave Up/Down: | Up |
| Dial Variety: | MPO | Killer OAL: | 50mm |
| Gap to Killer: | 8mm | Killer Variety: | |
| Slogan: | | - | |

CANCELLATION SIZE: 20mm x 78mm (7/8"H x 3"L)

"25¢ Rate"*

25¢ (1/2 oz.) ASA Air Mail Rate*, Africa *November 1, 1946, thru June 30, 1971

> 5¢ James Monroe (Sc# 810), plus 10¢ John Tyler (Sc# 815 x 2), Combination Usage

This business-to-business cover demonstrates a combination usage for a single-weight, halfounce airmail letter to Africa.

FIRSTENBERG BOTILERS' EQUIDMENT CO

BROOKLYN, N. Y. STA.D. APR 8 6³⁰PM 1947 to BLOEMFONTEIN, SOUTH AFRICA

The stamps are cancelled at "BROOKLYN, STA. D., N.Y." by a 30mm duplex circular datestamp with a six-bar numericalgrid killer. The killer mearures 13mm wide by 33mm high. "25¢ Rate"

25¢ (1/2 oz.) ASA Air Mail Rate, Africa *November 1, 1946, through June 1, 1967

10¢Pan Am Building (C34), plus 3¢ Thomas Jefferson (Sc# 807 x 5), Combination Usage

This business-to-business cover demonstrates a combination usage for a single-weight, half-ounce airmail letter to Sudan, North, Africa, returned from "NEW YORK, N.Y., AIR FIELD 3 MAR 23 1950" handstamped "RETURNED FOR ADDITIONAL POSTAGE," back and front. The front bears a four-line auxiliary RETURNED FOR ADDITIONAL POSTAGE" marking.

The cover was opened, censored and re-sealed in Egypt; it bears an Arabic censor tape and octagon censor mark, and a secondary black 21mm circular Egyptian Censor marking.





SMITHTOWN BRANCH, N.Y. MAR 23 7-30PM 1950



CAIRO EGYPT 28 MAR 1950 2-45PM



NEW YORK, N.Y. AIR MAIL FIELD 3 MAR 23 7-30PM 1950



SHELLAL-HALFA № 1 T.P.O. (Telegraph Post) 1 APR (?) (1950)

SMITHTOWN BRANCH, N.Y. MAR 23 7⁴⁰ AM 1950 TO KHARTOUM, SUDAN NORTH AFRICA

The stamps are cancelled by a combination of machine cancel and duplex handstamp at 'SMITHTOWN BRANCH, N.Y.' on March 23, 1950. a 30mm duplex circular datestamp with a six-bar numericalgrid killer; the killer measures 13mm wide by 33mm high.

"25¢ Rate"*

25¢ (1/2 oz.) ASA Air Mail Rate,* Africa *November 1, 1946, thru June 30, 1971

6¢ Theodore Roosevelt (Sc# 1039), plus 19¢ Rutherford B. Hayes (Sc# 824), Combination Usage

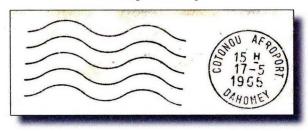
This first flight FAM-18 cover demonstrates a combination usage for a single-weight, half-ounce airmail letter to Africa.

Pan Am incorporated three new West African cities into FAM-18 more than a year after receiving authority. The service was performed in conjunction with Air Afrique, a consortium of 11 French-speaking nations with whom Pan AM had made a blocked-space agreement under which the later would furnish equipment and personnel for the new route with Air Afrique leasing 25% of all space on each flight. Because of continued unsettled conditions in the Congo, the flight from Contonou, Dahomey was not extended and Douala would become the terminus point.

F18-375F New York May 16, 1975 to Cotonou, Dahomey Arv 5/17/1975 1,243 pieces



Receiving Back Stamps



MAY 16, 1965 TO COTONOU, DAHOMEY (Africa)

The stamps are tied by the following cancellation: **PITNEY-BOWES, CO., Machine Specifications:**

| DIAL TYPE: | 5 | KILLER TYPE: | STATION | |
|----------------|-----------|--------------------|------------|--|
| Dial Diameter: | 22mm | Killer Type: | Station | |
| Type Size: | 3mm | Wave Up/Down: | | |
| Dial Variety: | | Killer OAL: | 55mm | |
| Gap to Killer: | 12mm | Killer Variety: | | |
| Station:KENNED | Y INTERNA | TIONAL AIRPORT MA | IL FACILTY | |
| Cancel; Size: | 22mm x | 89mm (7/8"H x 3-1/ | 2"L) | |

"25¢ Rate"

25¢ (½ oz.) Asia Military P. O. Airmail Letter Rate November 1, 1946, through June 30, 1971

25¢ William McKinley (Sc# 829) Solo Usage

This cover demonstrates a Military Post Office solo usage covering the (½ oz.) Asia Airmail Letter Rate to China.

This cover would travel to the U.S. and be transferred from The Military Postal System to the U.S. Postal System to enter the Universal Postal Union (U.P.U.) foreign mail stream for delivery to China. The U.S. Military Post Office is not a membernation of the U.P.U., now part of the United Nations.

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Back Stamp: Receiving Cancel 15. 3. 48



U.S. ARMY POSTAL SERVICE APO 244 (APO 244 = SAIPAN, MARIANAS) MAR 3 1948 TO SHANGHAI, CHINA

The stamp is tied by the following machine cancel: UNIVERSAL STAMPING MACHINE CO. cancellation

| DIAL TYPE: | MPO | KILLER TYPE: | 300 |
|----------------------|---------|-----------------|--------------|
| Dial Diameter: | 21mm | Killer Type: | 7 Wavy Lines |
| Type Size: | 2mm | Wave Up/Down: | Up |
| Dial Variety: | Miltary | Killer OAL: | 50mm |
| Gap to Killer: | 11mm | Killer Variety: | |
| Cancel size: | 21mm x | 77mm (7/8"H x 3 | "L) |

"27¢ Rate"

3¢ (3¢ x 9oz.) First Class Letter Rate July 6, 1932, through July 31, 1958

3¢ Jefferson ~ Horizontal Coil with Line Pair (Sc# 842 x 9) Multiple Usage

This cover demonstrates a high-weight (9 oz.) First Class Domestic Letter.

Based in New York, "RETAIL REPORTING" was a magazine advertising checking bureau reporting fashion advertising trends on Department Stores to Manufacturers and Competitors, like: Macys, Gimbels, Saks, Bloomingdales, etc. The type statement-envelope, plus the amount of postage, leads me to believe the cover held advertising tear sheets plus a billing statement. The multiple advertising "tear sheets" with a facing monthly statement would account for the high-postage.



NEW YORK 3, N.Y. (Madison Sq. Sta.) SEP 25 8 PM 1953 TO UNKNOWN

The stamps are tied to this cover by a 30mm circular date stamp with eight-bar 13mm W x 33 H elliptical grid killer with station name (MAD. SQ.) abbreviated center.

"27¢ Rate"

FEWALTY FOR FRIVATE USE TO AVOID 12¢ (6¢ x 2oz) Domestic Military P. O. Air Mail Rate,* (*Military Concession Rate) FAYMENT OF POSTAGE \$200 *December 25, 1941 thru September 30, 1946 15¢ Registry Service** (\$0-\$5 Indemnity) = 27¢ "July 1, 1932, thru March 25, 1944

25¢ William McKinley (Sc# 829) 2¢ John Adams (Sc# 806) **Combination Usage**

A Military War cover demonstrating a multiple usage to paying the double-weight, two-ounce, (2 oz.), Military Concession Air Mail Rate on a Registered War Department Official Business Cover to the American Legation in South America.

"O.C.O.S.S." or "OFFICE OF THE CO-ORDINATOR,OF STRATEGIC SERVICES" -the original CIA.!

NEW ORLEANS PORT OF EMBARIATION POLAND AND DAUDHINE STREETS

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

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The Back Stamps



NEW ORLEANS, LA. MAY 16, 1942 TO **QUITO, ECUADOR**

The stamps are tied by a 21mm x 30mm double oval blind killer while the cover is back-stamped four red-violet cancels as follows: two (A.) "NEW ORLEANS, LA. EMBARKATION STA. MAY 16, 1942" mailing office cancels; one 30mm c.d.s. (B.) " MIAMI, FLA. REGISTERED MAY 17 1942" transit cancel and; a (C.) "CORRES EXTERIOR QUITO, MAY 20, 1942, ECUADOR"*** receiving cancellation.

"27¢ Rate"

3¢ (3¢ x 1 oz.) Domestic 1st Letter Rate*, plus ^{*}July 6, 1932, thru July 31, 1958
30¢ Registry Service^{**} (\$0-\$5 Indemnity), and ^{**}March 26, 1944, thru December 31, 1948
4¢ Return Receipt Service Fee^{***} = 27¢ ^{***}March 26, 1944, thru December 31, 1948

2¢ "Little" White House (Sc# 931) and 25¢ William McKinley (Sc# 829) Combination Usage

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his commercial cover demonstrates a combation usage paying a single-weight, oneunce loz.) domestic Registered letter with eturn Receipt Request.

Sr. MARY. at. Law

"Circle of Wedges" Fancy Cancel



The Back Stamps



ST. MARYS, OHIO MAY 4, 1946 TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

The stamps are tied by a 31mm diameter "Circle of Wedges" fancy cancel while the cover bears three (3) red-violet 30mm double-circle back stamps including: two (2) "SAINT MARYS, OHIO REGIS-TERED MAY 4 1946" mailing office and one (1) "SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS REGISTERED MAY 6 1946", the receiving post office cancel.

"27¢ Rate"*

27¢ (2 lb. Zone 2) 4th Class, Parcel Post Rate (4th Class Merchandise) 2 Way Tag ~ Usage Front & Back *October 1, 1953, through July 31, 1958

MATCHING FRONT and BACK 19¢ Rutherford B. Hayes (Sc# 824), plus 8¢ Martin Van Buren (Sc# 813) Combination Usage

Business-to-business tag demonstrating a combo usage to pay the Domestic 4th Class Parcel Post (2 lb.) Zone 2 Rate. The tag from a fourth class mailing after October 1956. The package was sent from Portland, Oregon to Seattle, Wa.; defined as Zone 2, 50-150 mile radius. From October 1, 1953 to February 1, 1960 the postage for a one pound package sent Zone 2 was 27c, though some earlier rate schedules could produce the postage for multiple pounds. If the package had been sent under the January 1, 1949 rates it would have weighed eight to nine pounds, and under the October 1, 1951 rates, two to three pounds.

The tag has another matching twenty-seven cents Prexie combo on the back for returning the package to the original shipper.



SEATTLE, WA. to PORTLAND, OR. (October 1956 based on printing code on tag "1M-10-56-94271)

Stamps tied by Parcel Post Roller Hand Cancel.

From AMERICAN LOCKER CO. 1220 S. W. MORRIBON STREET PORTLAND 5. AREGON To Terminal Mgr. Western Greyhound Lines Bth & Stewart Streets Seattle, Wash. UNWIND CORD - DO NOT CUT MOTION FOR POSTAL REPRESENT RETURN FORMER COMMUNED PORTLAND, OR. to SEATTLE, WA.

Front

(October 1956 based on printing code on tag "1M-10-56-94271) Stamps tied by Parcel Post Roller Hand Cancel.

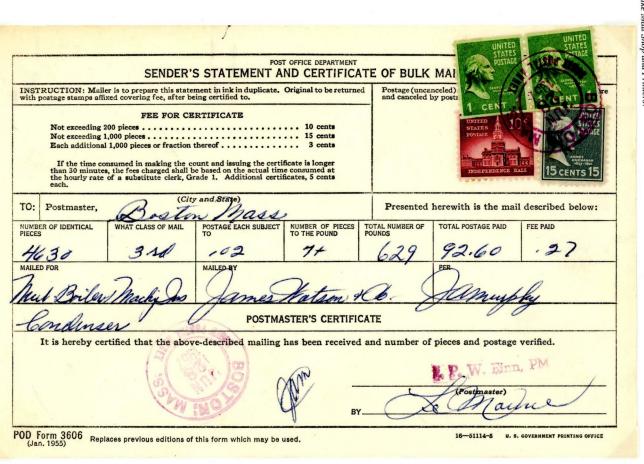
Reverse

Sender's Statement and Certificate of Bulk Mailing 27¢ Fee

2¢ George Washington ~ Horizontal Coil (Sc# 839), 10¢ Independence Hall (Sc# 1044), plus 15¢ James Buchanan (Sc# 820) Combination Usage

amount of postage paid and mail delivered into the mail @ 2¢ each. This form was used provided to the POD Form 3817, Sender's Statement and Certificate Mail House or Printer (James Watson & of Bulk Mailing certifies the stream for the Mailer (client) Mutual Boilermailing of on 4,630 pieces of Third Class Bulk Mail Company by Condenser/Macky Insurance. James Murphy) to certify the

ers like Mail Shop and Printers The Certificate was to provide Proof of Mailing" prevent fraudulent overcharging andior theft of postage by Second-Party Suppli



"29¢ Rate"

6¢ (1 oz.) Domestic Air Mail Rate*, plus *July 1, 1934 until March 25, 1944 20¢ Registry Fee** (\$25.⁴¹ to \$50 Indemnity), **July 1, 1932 until March 25, 1944 3¢ Return Receipt Service** = 29¢ *** March 18, 1931, throughMarch 25, 1944

> 21¢ Chester A. Arthur (Sc# 826), plus 2¢ John Adams (Sc# 806) 6¢ Eagle Holding Shield (Sc# C23) Combination Usage

This Registered cover demonstrates a combination usage for a singleweight, one-ounce domestic Air Mail with Return Receipt Requested.





TAMPA, FL. APR 10, 1941 TO ROCKLEDGE, PA.

The stamps were cancelled at Tampa, Fla., by a 4-bar wavyline Roller Cancel and back stamped with: two (2) red-violet 30mm double-circle "TAMPA, FLA. REGISTERED APR 10 1941" cancels; one (1) 30mm red-violet double-circle "PHILADELPHIA, PA REGISTERED APR 11 1941" Transit Cancel, and; one (1) red-violet 30mm double-circle "PHILA-DELPHIA, PA (FOX CHASE STA.) REGISTERED APR 11 1941" Receiving cancellation.

30¢ (3¢ x 10oz.) First-Class, Letter Surface Rate *July 6, 1932, through July 31, 1958

19¢ Rutherford B. Hayes (Sc# 824), plus 11¢ Indianapolis, Ind., Pitney-Bowes Post Office Meter Tag Combination Usage

This cover-sleeve demonstrates a combination usage paying a high-rate, first-class, ten-ounce (10oz.) Domestic First-Class Letter Surface Rate. The cover, with both ends cut-off and fashioned as a mailing sleeve, was most likely slipped over magazines or newspapers, forwarded between two relatives.

Wm. C. Hise 633 N. PENNSYLVANIA ST. INDIANAPOLIS 4, IND. DR. Ross W. Hise 228 S. WALNUT ST. Bucyrus, OHio

INDIANAPOLIS, IND. MAR 24 1947 TO BUCYRUS, OHIO

The stamp on this mailing sleeve is cancelled by an Indianapolis, Ind., roller cancellation. The sleeve is up-rated by a PITNEY-BOWES Postage Meter tag for 11c on Meter NO. 107380 leased to the INDIANAP-OLIS, INDIANA POST OFFICE issued on MAR 24 '47."

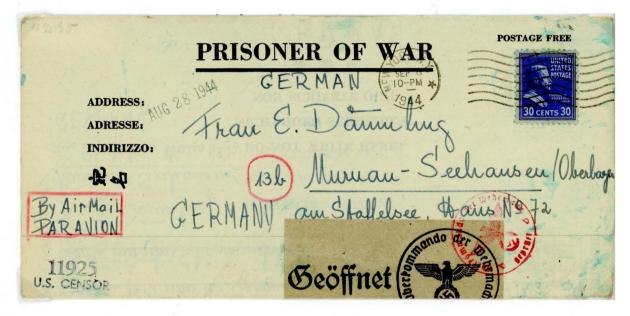
30¢ (½ oz.) European Air Mail Rate *April 28, 1939 through October 31, 1946

30¢ Theodore Roosevelt (Sc# 830) Solo Usage

This letter sheet cover demonstrates a solo usage for a half-ounce Foreign Air Mail PRISONER OF WAR Letter Sheet, printed by the War Department (W.D., P.M.G. Form No. 4; June 11, 1943) properly used to Germany.

The lettersheet passed U.S. Censor 11925 stationed at New York, N.Y. Censor Station.

This is the first reported usage of U.S. Censor 11925.





Wahrmacht SS Station B. (Berln)

(CONCORDIA P.O.W. CAMP~ CONCORDIA, KS.) NEW YORK, N.Y. SEP 6, 10 PM 1944 TO MURNAU-STAFFELSEE, GERMANY

After the lettersheet was censored and re-sealed, the cover was mailed through New York, N.Y. and was cancelled by an International Postal Supply cancellation machine. The stamp is cancelled by a 30nm W duplex cancel with an eight-bar13mm x33mm numeric elliptical killer with "STAR" where the station is normally located. There are no other transit or receiving cancellations on the cover; with the exception of the brown Wehrmacht S/S censorship tape with "b" closure and red-Wehrmacht handstamp with "b" are Berlin.

30¢ (½ oz.) European Air Mail Rate, Germany *April 28, 1939, thru October 31, 1946

5¢ James Monroe (Sc# 810 x 2), plus 10¢ John Tyler (Sc# 815 x 2) Combination Usage

his cover between daughter and parents demonstrates a combination sage for a single-weight, half-ounce ½oz airmail letter rate to Gerany. The cover was open, censored and re-sealed by the German Armed orces High Command" prior to delivery. The Spiero's were Jews that rvived the Holocaust, remaining in Berlin, Germany after the war!





DIXIE CLIPPER



On 3 September 1939, Britain and France declared war on Germany and on 5 September 1939, Pan American announced that all services to Southampton and Marseilles would be suspended with Foynes and Lisbon (in neutral states) becoming the terminals.

The <u>last</u> Pan American flight in 1939 left Foynes on 7 October and were suspended until 20 May 1942. Therefore, this cover did not travel via the the Dixie Clipper.





Dr. Georg Heinrich Spiero (1876 -1947), Dr. of Philosophy, with his wife Olga Spiero (1877-1960) NEW YORK, N.Y. CHURCH STREET STA. DEC 9 11³⁰PM 1939 TO BERLIN-FRIEDENAU, GERMANY

The stamps are cancelled at "NEW YORK, N. Y. CHURCH-STREET STA." by a duplex 30mm circular date stamp with a eight-bar Alpha station (G.C.) 13mm x 33mm elliptical grid killer. G.C. standing for Grand Central Station.

30¢ (1/2 oz.) Single European Air Mail Rate *April 28, 1939 until October 31, 1946

24¢ Benjamin Harrison (Sc# 828), uprates 6¢ Monoplane Airmail Envelope (Sc# UC2) (Bartels Type B2 ~ Die 5905) Combination Usage

This reduced cover demonstrates a combination usage for a single-weight, half-ounce airmail envelope to Germany.

The cover was open, censored and resealed by the German "Armed Forces High Command" prior to delivery.



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NEW YORK, N.Y., STA. K. FEB 6 1³⁰PM 1940 To DRESDEN, GERMANY

The stamps are cancelled at "NEW YORK, N. Y. STA. K." by a duplex 26mm circular date stamp with a six-bar Alpha (K) elliptical grid Killer, with year located outside the c.d.s.

30¢ (1/2 oz.) Airmail to Europe Letter Rate *April 28, 1939 until November 1, 1946

30¢ Theodore Roosevelt (Sc# 830) Solo Usage

This cover demonstrates the single (½ oz.) Airmail Letter Rate to Europe. It bears a red-violet straight-line "TRANS-ATLANTIC AIR MAIL" handstamp designating carriage by Pan Am Clipper to Europe.

On-carriage from Lisbon to Frankfurt by DHL Transport (Deutsche Post), the cover was opened, censored and re-sealed with German High Command Censor Tape in Germany.

Mail Censorship

World War II began by Germany's invasion of Poland on September 1, 1939. Britain and France responded by declaring war on Germany on September 3, 1939.

Pan Am Flying Clippers at this period were over-flying Bermuda on their way to Europe owing to the U.S.A. refusing to acknowledge Great Britain's' "right" to censor mail passing thru.

On September 2, 1939, upon Franklin D. Roosevelt's, Declaration of National Emergency, civil mail censorship was officially sanctioned in the U.S.

Mail censorship was already in place throughout Europe in 1939.





GERMAN HIGH COMMAND CENSOR MARKS & SEAL The cover bears a 30mm wide manila re-sealing tape of "CODE E (FRANKFURT) GERMAN HIGH COMMAND". The tape was struck with a violet "Wehrmacht" hand stamp "approving" and "passing" the cover.

BROOKLYN, N. Y. JUN 5 4³⁰ AM 1940 TO ESSEN, RUHR, GERMANY

The stamps on this cover were cancelled at Brooklyn, N.Y., by a 30mm Black Duplex C.D.S. with a 6-Bar Elliptical Numerical Grid Killer No. 3. The cover was opened, censored and re-sealed at Frankfurt, Germany before being forwarded and delivered.

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30¢ (1/2 oz.) International Airmail, Letter Rate* *April 28, 1939 until October 31, 1946 Overpaid Three Cents by Convenience!

3¢ Thomas Jefferson ~ Horiz Coil (11 x Sc# 842) Multiple Usage With a Joint or Line Pair

This cover between relatives demonstrates a multiple usage overpaying a single-weight, half-ounce (1/2 oz.) censored airmail letter to Koln. Germany. The cover was originally underpaid and returned for 21 cents additional postage, which was added and placed, on the reader opf the cover. NEWARK, N. J. AUG 31, 5³⁰ PM 1940 TO KOLN on du RHEIN, GERMANY

The stamps are tied by a 30mm duplex circular date stamp with a six-bar 13mm W x 33mm H numerical No. 9 barrel killer.

The cover was open, censored and re-sealed at the Frankfurt, Germany Civil Mail Center where the 30mm H x 150mmL Wehrmacht "GEOFFNET" tape was applied and the cover was re-sealed by the Wehrmacht. Small rectangular baced numbers indicates the postal clerks at various German post offices handling the mail along the way. Clerks: 531; 1523; 1344 & 150 handled the cover prior to reaching the final destination and delivery. Based on the "Goeffnet Tape and seals the cover was censored in Frankford, Germany."

30¢ (1/2 oz.) International Airmail, Letter Rate* *April 28, 1939 until October 31, 1946

24¢ Benjamin Harrison (Sc# 828), uprates 6¢ Single Motor Airmail Envelope (Sc# UC3) (Thorp Die 5481-Wmk ?-Size 8-Knife 59) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a solo usage for a single-weight, half-ounce censored airmail letter to England.



WILKES BARRE, PA. SEP 23 4³⁰ PM 1940 TO LONDON, ENGLAND

The stamps are cancelled by a 30mm duplex circular date stamp with a six-bar 13mm W x 33mm H numerical No. 2 grid killer.

30¢ (1/2 oz.) European Air Mail Rate* *April 28, 1939 until October 31, 1946

1¢ George Washington (Sc# 804), 3¢ Thomas Jefferson (Sc# 807 x 3), plus 20¢ James A. Garfield (Sc# 825) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates combination usage for the half-ounce, single-weight airmail letter rate to the Netherlands.





Letter Code E = Censor Location: Frankfurt

NEW YORK, N.Y. DEC 12 8 PM 1940 TO AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS

The stamps are cancelled at "NEW YORK GENRAL POST OF-FICE." by a 27mm circular duplex datestamp with eight-bar post office annex identification (G.P.O.) grid killer.

The cover was opened, censored and resealed by a German Wehrmacht Military Censor tape and handstamp closing. The small rectangular box "1971" was a mail clerk who handled the cover

30¢ Rate*

30¢ (1/2 oz.) International Air Mail, Letter Rate* April 28, 1939 until October 31, 1946

> 6¢ James Buchanan (Sc# 820 X 5) Multiple Usage

This personal consumer cover demonstrates a multiples usage for a single-weight, half-ounce uncensored airmail letter to England.

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NEW YORK, N.Y. (STA.N.) APR 15 10 PM 1941 TO WHITCHURCH, ENGLAND

The stamps are cancelled by a 30mm diameter duplex circular date cancellation with a 13mm W x 33mm H 6-bar eliptical grid killer with an Alpha Station identifier, "N" = Station Identification.

The cover has a red-violet 3mm x 48mm straightline handstamp cancellation, "TRANS ATLANTIC ROUTE" on the face of the cover.

30¢ (½ oz.) International Airmail Letter Rate, France" "April 28, 1939 until November 1, 1946

> 5¢ James Monroe (Sc# 810 pair), plus 20¢ Map Air Mail of 1927 (Sc# C29) Combination Usage ~~~

The cover demonstrates the single-weight, half-ounce, International European Airmail Letter Rate. The cover is stamped with an auxiliary red-violet handstamp via, "TRANS-ATLANTIC ROUTE".



Reverse Side

GERMAN CENSOR MARKS & SEALS

The cover was opened, censored when it arrived in Germany and bears a 40mm wide white re-sealing tape of the "GER-MAN HIGH COMMAND-E" with a secondary "red" machine cancel counter stamp at (E) Frankfurt, Germany.



BROOKLYN, N.Y., LEFFERTS STA. MAY 16 7³⁰AM 1941 to DUESSELDORF, GERMANY

The stamps on this cover are cancelled by a BROOKLYN N.Y., LEFFERTS STA., with a 27mm duplex c.d.s. with a 13mmW x 33mmH elliptical numerical grid killer, with the year between the c.d.s. and killer.

30¢ (½ oz.) International Airmail Letter Rate, Europe* *April 28, 1939 until October 31, 1946

> 12¢ Zachary Taylor (Sc# 817 x 2), uprates 6¢ Single Motor Airmail Envelope (Sc# UC3) (AM15-Wmk 39/1941-Size 13-Knife 78) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage for a single-weight, half-ounce (½oz.) Air Mail letter to Netherlerlands. The cover traveled by way of Frankfurt, Germany where it was opened and censored by the Wehrmacht, re-sealed and forwarded to the addressee.

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GERMAN HIGH COMMAND CENSOR MARKS & SEAL

The cover bears a 30mm wide manila re-sealing tape of GER-MAN HIGH COMMAND". The tape was struck with a red "Wehrmacht" hand stamp "approving" and "passing" the cover.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. SEP 3 2 PM 1941 TO AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS

The stamps on this cover were cancelled at Grand Rapids by a 26mm black duplex circular datestamp with a six-bar elliptical grid, numerical grid killer No. 1. The cover was opened, censored and re-sealed before being forwarded and delivered. The No. 1 killer was normally reserved for the senior window clerk at the post office.

30¢ (½ oz.) International Airmail Letter Rate, Germany* *April 28, 1939 until October 31, 1946

20¢ China Clipper Air Mail (Sc# C21), plus 10¢ John Tyler (Sc# 815) Combination Usage

This cover between freinds demonstrates the single-weight (½ oz.) Air Mail Letter Rate to Great Britain, via the North Atlantic Route, and passed thru Hamilton, Bermuda; it bears black 15mm "Triangle" machine cancel with seven wavy up-lines 55mm-L. The "Triangle" symbologized the cover passed through the "BERMUDA" Censor facility.



The Back Stamp



"Bermuda Triangle"

Transit and Censor Machine Cancel indicating the cover had been passed, without censoring, at Hamilton, Bermuda. There is no censor number with this "triangle" marking. There is an associated black "Bermuda Triangle" handstamp that is also used on international mail of this period.

NEW YORK, GPO, N.Y. APR 15, 8 PM 1941 TO DORSET, GREAT BRITAIN.

A pair of stamps were tied by a black 28mm NEW YORK, N. Y. G.P.O. Duplex circular date stamp with a ten-bar elliptical with the year located outside the c.d.s. and datestamp, between the bars and the grid. Initials sit between the grid indicationg the mailing station of the cancelling devices. In this case, the device originated at G.P.O. or the 'GENERAL POST OFFICE or MAIN POST OFFICE.

30¢ (1/2 oz.) International Airmail, Letter Rate* *April 28, 1939 until October 31, 1946

4¢ James Madison (Sc# 808), plus 20¢ Two Mail Planes Airmail (Sc # C9) 6¢ Eagle & Shield Airmail (Sc# C23) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage for a single-weight, halfounce (1/20z.) censored airmail letter to Vichy France.



The Back Stamps





The "WK" code letters in the signature marking indicate the censor section at Marseille that handled mail inbound to France.

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y. DEC 8 6 PM 1941 TO LYON, FRANCE

The stamps are cancelled by a 26mm duplex circular date stamp with a six-bar 13mm W x 33mm H numerical No. 1 grid killer, with the year located outside the c.d.s., between the postmark and killer.

The letter was open, censored and resealed in MIAMI, FL. the letter re-sealed with label (P.C.90) by (A.) Examiner No. 3935. The letter proceeded to (B.) Marseille, France (WK3) where it was re-opened, re-censored and re-sealed by (C.) Vichy Government Censor "AO". The Marseille, France inbound mail censor marking closely resembles a "football" cachet tying the "CONTROLE" tape, front and back.

30¢ (30¢-per-½oz) F.A.M. Air Mail Rate, British Guiana* 'January 1, 1930, thru March 31, 1945

20¢ James A. Garfield (Sc# 825), plus 10¢ John Tyler (Sc# 815) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage paying a single-weight, half-ounce (½ oz.) Foreign Airmail Letter Rate to British Guiana. The rate was inclusive of both ordinary postage and airmail service. The F.A.M. Contract was from Miami to Georgetown, British Guiana.



Robert Victor Evan Wong (1895-1952)

was a politician, civil engineer, rancher and businessman, elected to the British Guiana legislature in 1926 and 1934, and appointed to its Executive Council in 1928. He is notable for being the first Chinese-Guianese member of both the British Guiana Legislative and Executive Councils. Born in Georgetown, British Guiana, the eldest son of a wealthy Chinese merchant. He studied engineering and economics at the University of Bristol. Wong returned to the Colony to serve as a civil engineer in government service, designing sea walls, bridges, roads, & other infrastructure. He thereafter managed a family sugar plantation and refinery. In 1926, at age 31, Wong won election to the British Guiana Court of Policy from the Essequibo Islands. This body became the Legislative Council. Wong was the first person of East Asian descent elected to a national legislature in the Americas. Wong's business interests included interests in an abbatoir. tannery and shoemaking factory. He owned stone quarries, oil and bauxite mining concessions.



PATERSON, N. J. MAY 15 9³⁰PM 1942 TO

GEORGETOWN, BRITISH GUIANA

The stamps are tied by "PATTERSON, N.J." 30mm duplex circular datestamp with an eight-bar 13mmW x 33mmH numerical #2 elliptical grid killer.

THE RECEIVING BACK STAMP



AIR MAIL G.P.O. BRITISH GUIANA 10AM 20 MY 1942

30¢ (1/2 oz.) International Airmail Letter Rate*, England *April 28, 1939 until October 31, 1946

6¢ John Quincy Adams (Sc# 811 x 5) Multiple Usage

This business-to-business cover demonstrates the single-weight, half-ounce (1/2 oz.) Air Mail Letter Rate to England. Interestingly, this cover passed untouched by U.S. and British Censors.

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HOUSTON (2), TEX. APR 19 7PM 1944 TO LEATHERHEAD, ENGLAND

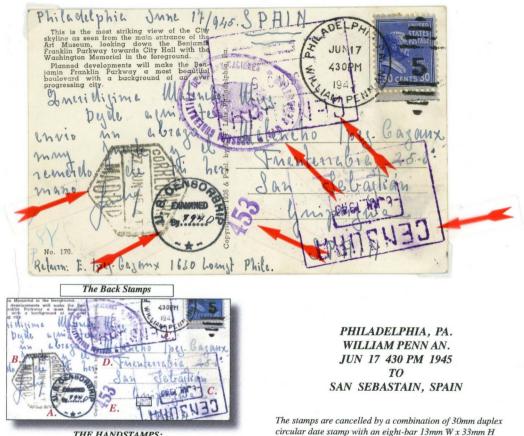
The stamps on this cover are tied by an 18mm H x 60mm L, 2nd /4th Class repeating roller cancellation and are accompanied by a 30mm duplex circular datestamp with an eight-bar 13mm W x 33mm H grid killer, with numerical number 4 center. The duplex cancellation was added later as international mail airmail required the actual date of mailing be shown on the cover.

30¢ (¹/₂ oz.) International Airmail, Letter Rate,* Spain *April 28, 1939 until October 31, 1946

30¢ Theodore Roosevelt (Sc# 830) Solo Usage

This post card demonstrates a solo usage paying an Air Mail censored post card to Spain. Post cards did not get their own foreign airmail rates until June 1, 1954.

The card bears a black 19mm dia. U.S. Censorship applied at New Yrok by Censor # 1940, while the card was received in Spain and re-censored receiving a MADRID, SPAIN transit purple 47mmW x 34mmH "CENSURA" on 6-JUL-1945 and large oval 31mm X 40mm H secondary 'GOVERNMENT CENSORSHIPOF SAN SEBASTIAN' handstamp by Censor #453 counterpart.



numerical No. 5 elliptical grid Killer.

THE HANDSTAMPS: A. Black New York 29mm 'U.S. CENSORSHIP ''7940''. B. Black Madrid, Spain 29mm hexagonal 'CORREO AEREO MA-DRID 27 JUN 45 - 4T'' receiving, transit cancel. C. Purple 47mmW x 34mmH ''CENSURA'' on 6-JUL-1945. D. Purple 31mm X 40mm 'GOVERNMENT CENSORSHIPOF SAN SEBASTIAN' secondary oval. E. Purple SAN SEBASTIAN CENSOR #453.

30¢ (½ oz.) International Airmail, Letter Rate*, France *April 28, 1939 until October 31, 1946

½4 Benjamin Franklin (Sc# 803), plus
14 George Washington (Sc# 804)
44 James Madison (Sc#808), 4½4 White House (Sc#809), and
204 Transport Air Mail (Sc# C29)
Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a solo usage for a single-weight, half-ounce air mail letter to France.

A AIR MAIL VIA AIR MAIL

About the addressee: André Daspre (B. 1928 in Avignon. D. Cuers.) Daspre was a French novelist and literary scientist, specialist of Roger Martin du Gard. Daspre attended grammar school in Avignon and Paris. He held the Agrégation de grammaire in 1958 and taught at high schools in Paris (Lycée Voltaire) and Le Havre, as well as from 1961 in Toulon (Lycée Dumont d'Urville). As an assistant to the University of Nice, he qualified as a professor at the University of Paris III at Michel Décaudin in 1976 with Thèse Roger Martin du Gard, and was a professor at the University of Nice from 1976 to 1991. He founded the "Center International de Recherche sur Martin du Gard" and the "Association des Amis du Center International de Recherche sur Roger Martin du Gard."

EAU CLAIRE, WIS. JUL 27 2 PM 1946 TO AVIGNON, FRANCE

The stamps on this cover are cancelled by a 30mm duplex circular datestamp with a 13mm W x 33mm H six-bar elliptical numerical grid killer with the number "1" in the center, indicating this cover was handled at the post office window at Eau Claire. Low numbered handstamps (i.e.: 1,2,3, etc.) are normally assigned to window clerks.

OBVERSE "31¢ Parcel Post Rate*" *July 1, 1934, through March 31, 1944

(21¢ Fourth Class (12 lb.) ~ Zone 2 Rate (10¢ first lb.; 1¢ each additional lb. = 1lb+11lb) 10¢ Insured Fee = 31¢)

> 12¢ Zachary Taylor (Sc# 817), plus 19¢ Rutherford B. Hayes (Sc# 824) Combination Usage

This REVERSIBLE and REUSEABLE MAIL TAG demonstrates a multiple use for a twelve pound Fourth Class Insured Mailing.

WESTFIELD, N. J. APR 9, 1943 to CANTON, N. Y.

The stamps are cancelled with an 30mm red-violet circular date stamp handstamp at "WESTFIELD, N.J. PARCEL POST APR 9 1943." The rate is overstamped by the "INSURED" auxilary stamp showing the notation of the postage and insurance fee for the mailing: 21+10=31.

OBVERSE CAN-PRO FROM W. G. H. WHITAKER Laundry HIGHLAND AVE, Case WESTFIELD, N.J. THIS CARD REVERSIBLE FOR RETURN MAILING TO MISS HARRIET WHITAKER CANTON, NO FROM HARRIET WHITAKER IT ELM ST aundry Case CANTON, N.Y. REVERSE REVERSE THIS CARD REVERSIBLE FOR RETURN MAIL INC TO MRS. W.C. H. WHITAKER 703 HIGHLAND AVE WESTFIELD, N. N.J

REVERSE "27¢ Parcel Post Rate*" *July 1, 1934, through March 31, 1944

(17¢ Fourth Class (8 lb.)~ Zone 2 Rate or (10¢ first lb; 1¢ each additional lb. = 1+7 lb) 10¢ Insured Fee = 27¢)

BACK

7¢ Andrew Jackson (Sc# 812), plus 20¢ James A. Garfield (Sc# 825) Combination Usage This REVERSIBLE and REUSEABLE MAIL demonstrates a multiple use for an Eight Pound, Fourth Class, Zone 2, Insured return mailing.

CANTON, N.Y. to WESTFIELD, N.J.

The stamps are cancelled with a 19mm x 29mm black silent double-oval handstamp at "CANTON, N.Y." A sticker showing the INSURED No. and PARCEL POST date stamp has been removed, while the postage remains.

"31¢ Rate"

 11¢ (½ oz.) International Air-Surface-Air Rate* ^{*}November 23, 1934 until October 1, 1946

 20¢ Special Delivery (Express) Rate**
 ^{**} September 1, 1926, through June 30, 1957.

3¢ Thomas Jefferson (Sc# 807), 5¢ James Monroe (Sc# 810), 10¢ Motorcycle Messenger Special Delivery (Sc# E15), plus 10¢ John Tyler (Sc# 815) Combination Usage

The rate for a letter that was transported by air in the United States to a distribution point, then sent by surface transportation to Europe before being sent by air to its final destination in Europe was eleven cents for the first half ounce from November 23, 1934 until October 1, 1946.

This cover, sent to Germany in 1939, specifies Special Delivery-Air Mail, and surface transportation via the ship "S. S. AQUITANIA."



The Receiving Backstamps



BRESLAU 12.2.39 -

The "6" is a postal clerk's mark and the note below is in Polish!

NEW YORK, N. Y., STA. Y. FEB 4 2 AM 1939 TO BRESLAU, GERMANY (formerly Poland)

The stamps are tied with a black 25mm "NEW YORK, N. Y. STA. Y." duplex circular date stamp with a 14mm W x 35mm H six-bar Alpha (Y) elliptical grid killer, with year located outside the circular date stamp.

The cover bears a red-violet 5mm H x 62mm OAL straight-line "SPECIAL DELIVERY - AIR MAIL" auxiliary hand stamp; Black/Blue Form 2978 "Par Avion By Air Mail" Label; Red/White Form 2977 "EXPRES Special Delivery" label; direction for placement aboard the "SS. AQUITANIA", and; Black/Red 'Gilbote Expres' German "Express Mail" label.

The large "X" in red crayon and purple "X" hand stamped in the lower right-hand corner are a German marking for "UNDELIVERED" or "UN-KNOWN" and return-to-sender.

"33¢ Rate"

33¢ (1/2 oz.) Atlantic F.A.M. Air Mail, Letter Rate July 1, 1939, through October 31, 1946

30¢ Theodore Roosevelt (Sc# 830), plus 3¢ Win the War Issue (Sc# 905) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates rate confusion, by newly arrived Free French Army Cadet, mailing a single-weight, one-ounce International Air Mail Letter to France.

Free French cadets arrived at Selfridge for medium bomber training in March of 1945 to receive bomber training from U.S. Army Air Forces personnel, just as the Allied forces were closing in on Germany. The young men ranged in age from 19 to 23, and many of them had lost parents, brothers and sisters, and all worldly possessions during the German occupation of their homeland, they came to America for training under the lend-lease program. The French cadets remained at Selfridge until February 1946, when a formal retreat ceremony was held at the base and the fliers departed for their now-liberated homeland. During their 11-month stay, 700 French officers and 2,300 enlisted men had trained at Selfridge Field.



MOUNT CLEMENS, MICH. APR 3 5³⁰ PM 1945 TO ALGERS, ALGERIA

The stamps are tied by the following machine cancel: INTERNATIONAL POSTAL SUPPLY CO. cancellation

| DIAL TYPE: | D | KILLER TYPE: | 200 |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Dial Diameter: | 21mm | Killer Type: | 7 Wavy Bars |
| Type Size: | 3mm | Wave Up/Down: | Up |
| Dial Variety: | | Killer OAL: | 51mm |
| Gap to Killer: | 8mm | Killer Variety: | |
| Slogan: | | (| |
| Cancel Size: | 21mm x 81mm (7/8"H x 3-1/4"L) | | |

"34¢ Rate"*

34¢ (3 lb. Zone 3) Parcel Post Rate 4th Class Merchandise
2 Way Tag ~ Usage Front & Back *October 1, 1953, through July 31, 1958

MATCHING FRONT and BACK 16¢ Abraham Lincoln (Sc# 821), 13¢ Millard Fillmore (Sc# 818), 2¢ John Adams (Sc# 806 x 2), plus 1¢ George Washington (Sc# 1031b) Combination Usage

Business-to-business tag demonstrating a combo usage to pay the Domestic 4th Class Parcel Post (3 lb.) Zone 3 Rate.



BELLINGHAM, WA. to PORTLAND, OR.

(October 1, 1953 based on printing code on tag - July 31, 1958) Stamps tied by Parcel Post Roller Cancel.

BACK



PORTLAND, OR. to SEATTLE, WA. (October 1, 1953 based on printing code on tag - July 31, 1958) Stamps tied by Parcel Post Roller Cancel.

"35¢ Rate"*

20¢ (1/2 oz.) Single Air Mail Rate (To & From Hawaii), plus 15¢ Registry Fee (Indenmity \$5 to \$24.99) *April 21, 1937, until January 15, 1945.

15¢ James Buchanan (Sc# 820), plus 20¢ Transport Issue (Sc# C29) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates Registered Air Mail between Hawaii and the Mainland demonstrating a single weight, half-ounce air mail rate with base registry of \$5.00 to \$24.99 to Mainland U.S.

The cover was opened an examined by U.S. Censor #2593 located at Honolulu.

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HONOLULU, HAWAII (BETHELSTA.) JUN 26 1942 to NEW YORK, N.Y.

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The stamps are tied by a 23mm x 35mm blind double oval while the cover, while the cover is back-stamped as follows: two (2) mailing post office (A.) "HONOLULU, HAWAII (BETHEL STA.) REGISTERED JUN 26 1942" cancellations; one (1) 25mmW x 32mm W double oval (B.) "NEW YORK, N.Y. REG'Y DIV. 7-3 1942" transit cancel and; a (C.) "NEW YORK, N.Y. (G.P.O.) REGISTERED JUL 4 1942" receiving post office cancellation.

The indication "VIA CLIPPER" on the cover is misleading; in this case it only means "AIR MAIL." The United States Navy assumed control of all Clippers in 1942 and they continued service until the end of WWII working patrol efforts; they were not carrying mail from 1942 through 1945.

"34¢ Rate"

6¢ (1 oz.) Domestic Air Mail Letter Rate, *July 1, 1934, thru March 25, 1944 15¢ Registry Service Fee** (<\$5 Indemnity), with "July 1, 1932, thru March 25, 1944 3¢ Return Receipt Service***, and ***March 18, 1931, thru March 26, 1944 10¢ Special Delivery Service**** ****July 1, 1928, thru October 31, 1944

> 4¢ James Madison (Sc#808) plus 30¢ Theodore Roosevelt (Sc# 830)

This cover demonstrates a single-weight Registered Domestic Air Mail Letter, with minimum Indemnity, Special Delivery Service and a Return Receipt Request signature card upon delivery.

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SAN ANTONIO, TEX. OCT 20, 1943 to

> LITITZ, PA. OCT 22, 1943

Business-to-business cover, with appropriate San Antonio, Tx. and Lititz, Pa. mailing and receiving postal back stamps.

"35¢ Rate"

15¢ (1/2 oz.) European Air Mail Rate,* plus *November 1, 1946, through April 30, 1967 20¢ Registry Fee** (\$9.65 Indemnity or 50 Francs) = 35¢ **February 1, 1945, through December 31, 1948

> 20¢ James A. Garfield (Sc# 825), plus 1¢ FDR Hyde Park Mansion (Sc# 930) 14¢ Franklin Pierce (Sc# 819) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage for a single-weight, half-ounce Registered Letter Rate to Europe with Maximum Indemnity of 50 francs or \$9.65; the cover being forwarded to two countries for final delivery.



The Back Stamps



MAYWOOD, CALIF. DEC 15 1948 To PARIS, FRANCE >

FORWARDED TO ALGERIA, THEN TO TUNISIA!

The stamps are tied to the cover by a 21mm x 30mm double-oval silent killer, while the reverse bears the following backstamps:

(A.) Two mailing post office "MAYWOOD, CA. REGISTERED DEC 15 1948";
(B.) One "CHICAGO, ILL., AIR MAIL FIELD, DEC 16 1948" transit cancel;
(C.) One 26mm black "PARIS FRANCE 20-12 1948" receiving c.d.s. cancel;
(D.) One 27mm black "ALGER R.P., ALGER 12* 30-12 1948" mailing c.d.s.;
(E-1) Straight-line dater "30 DEC 1948" applied at ALGER, ALGER; probably

to signify date of "failed delivery"; (Note: R.P. = REGISTERED POSTE); (F.) One 27mm black "CONSTANTINE R.P. (ALGER) 1-1 1949" receiving c.d.s.; (G.) One 27mm black "BONE, CONSTANTINE R.P. 4-1 1949" mailing c.d.s.; (H.) One faint 26mm "TUNIS R.P., 12* 6-1 1949 TUNISIE" transit c.d.s., and; (I.) One 27mm black "TUNIS R.P., 7-1 1949 TUNISIE" final destination and receiving post office cancel.

"35¢ Rate"

 15¢ (1/2 oz.) European Air Mail Rate,* plus *November 1, 1946, through April 30, 1967
 20¢ EXPRES Special Delivery Fee** = 35¢ **September 1, 1926, through June 30, 1957 (Overpaid by two cents!)

6¢ Small DC-4 Transport (Sc# C39), 3¢ Thomas Jefferson (Sc# 804 x 4), 2¢ "Little" White House (Sc# 931 x 2), plus 15¢ Motorcycle Special Delivery (Sc# E16) Combination Usage

This cover, originally "RETURNED FOR 13¢ POSTAGE" (marked under 6c Airmail #C39) and re-mailed, demonstrates a single-weight, half-ounce Special Delivery Air Mail Letter and returned-to-sender for being "UNKNOWN" when delivery was attempted in Switzerland; the letter was overpaid by two cents when additional postage when re-mailed.

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Auxilliary Mark: "Returned for Postage"



Postal Mark Under Stamp: "DUE 13¢"



SWITZERLAND POST OFFICE TRILINGUAL LABEL GERMAN: Unbekannt = Unknown FRENCH: Inconnu = Unknown ITALIAN: Sconosciuto = Unknown Person AKRON, OHIO (RESTONE PARK STA.) DEC 24 5³⁰PM 1951 RE-MAILED DEC 28 9³⁰PM 1951 TO WILLIS, SWITZERLAND

The stamps are tied to the cover by a 30mm numerical duplex circular datestamps, with eight-bar 13mmW x 33mmH elliptical killers. The cover front bears a bisected double circle receiving cancel at "WILLIS, SWITZERLAND 11.1.52" over the trilingual label at the bottom, center-front.

(Note: The 6c Airmail #C39 was soaked and folded back to reveal the "DUE 13¢" pencil notation.)

"36¢ Rate"

36¢ (3¢ x 12 oz.) First-Class Surface Rate July 6, 1932, thru July 31, 1958

16¢ Abraham Lincoln (Sc# 821 x 2), plus 4¢ Pitney-Bowes Post Office Meter Label Combination Usage

The cover, slit at both ends forming a sleeve or outer label, demonstrates a high-weight, twelve ounce (12 o2) First-Class Surface Rate mailing. The envelope was slit in this fashion to slide over newspapers, magazines, or a closed mailing tube.

> William C.Hise 633 N. Pennsylvania St. Indianapolis 4, Ind.

> > Dr. Ross W. Hise 228 S. Walnut St. Bucyrus, Ohio

INDIANAPOLIS 4, IND. AUG 5 1947 TO BUCYRUS, OHIO

A roller cancellation device indicating the item was mailed at "INDIANAPOLIS, IND. (Z4) ties the pair of stamps. The "(Z4)" in the roller, after "INDIANAPOLIS" was an indication of Zone 4; today this is the post office 46204. The sleeve bears an additional Post Office Pitney-Bowes postage meter label applied at the time of mailing in "INDIANAPOLIS, IND" to cover the additional required postage.

"36¢ Rate"

36¢ (3¢ x 12 oz.) First-Class Surface Rate July 6, 1932, thru July 31, 1958

18¢ Ulysses S. Grant (Sc# 823 x 2) Multiple Usage

The cover, slit at both ends forming a sleeve or outer label, demonstrates a high-weight, twelve ounce (12 oz) First-Class Surface Rate mailing. The envelope was slit in this fashion to slide over newspapers, magazines, or a closed mailing tube.

> William C. Hise Box 15 633 N. Pennsylvania St. Indianapolis 4, Ind.

> > Dr. Ross W. Hise 228 S. Walnut St. Bucyrus, Ohio

INDIANAPOLIS (18) IND. Circa 1947-50* TO BUCYRUS, OHIO

A roller cancellation device indicating the item was mailed at "INDIANAPOLIS, IND. (18) ties the pair of stamps. The (18) in the roller, after "INDIANAPOLIS" was the indicator of the Post Office Clerk cancelling this piece.

* The span of years has been selected based on other similair "dated" mailing sleeves between these two people.

"36¢ Rate"

36¢ (6 oz.) Sixtuple (6¢ x 6) Air Mail Letter Rate January 1, 1949, through July 31, 1958.

3¢ T. Jefferson ~ Horizontal Coil (Sc# 842 x 12) Multiple Usage

This cover demonstrates a multiple usage to pay the sixtupleweight, six-ounce Domestic Air Mail Letter Rate.



NEW YORK, N.Y. (Madison Sq. Sta.) SEP 25 8 PM 1953 TO UNKNOWN

The stamps are tied to this cover by a 30mm circular date stamp with eight-bar 13mm W x 33 H elliptical grid killer with station name abbreviated center.

"RETAIL REPORTING" was a magazine, based in New York, reporting on trends in fashion trends in Department Stores. The type envelope and amount of postage used leads me to believe the cover held monthly "advertising tear sheets" and billing statement. The multiple advertising tear sheets and statement would account for the high-weight and related postage.

"36¢ Rate"

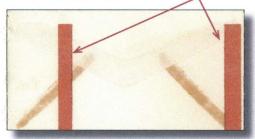
6¢ (1 oz.) Domestic Air Mail Rate* plus *January 1, 1949, thru July 31, 1958-20¢ Certified Mail Service**, **July 1, 1957, thru March 25, 1966 10¢ Return Receipt Service***= 36¢ ***July 1, 1957, thru July 13, 1969

6c DC-4 Air Mail Regular Issue (Sc# C39), plus 15¢ James Buchanan (Sc#820) 15c Certified Mail Postal Carrier (Sc# FA1) Combination Usage

This consumer-to-business cover demonstrates a single-weight (1 oz.) Certified Domestic Air Mail letter with Return Receipt Service.

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Reverse: showing remnants of pressure sensitive "Return Receipt Card" holding strips,



NEW PORT RICHEY, FLA. AUG 8 4PM 1957 TO SPRINGFIELD. MASS.

The stamps are tied by the following machine cancellation: UNIVERSAL STAMPING MACHINE CO., DT-200 machine

| DIAL TYPE: | D | KILLER TYPE: | 200 |
|----------------|--------|-------------------|--------------|
| Dial Diameter: | 20mm | Killer Type: | 6 Wavy Lines |
| Type Size: | 2mm | Wave Up/Down: | Up |
| Dial Variety: | | Killer OAL: | 52mm |
| Gap to Killer: | 11mm | Killer Variety: | 200 |
| Cancel Size: | 20mm x | 83mm (7/8"H x 3-1 | /4"₩) |

"38¢ Rate"

38¢ (7 lb. ~ Zone 3) 4th Class Parcel Post Merchandise Rate (Usage Front & Back) *June 1, 1951, through September 30, 1953

(Return Side) 15¢ James Buchanan (Sc# 820), 3¢ Thomas Jefferson (Sc# 807 x 2), plus 2¢ John Adams (Sc# 806) Combination Usage

Front of a business-to-business commercial tag demonstrating a combination usage to pay the 7lb Domestic 4th Class Parcel Post Rate for Zone 3.

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MOTION PICTURE FILM - NON-DANGEROUS

JACKSON, TENN. to CHARLESTON, S.C.

Mailed between January 1953 and September 30, 1953, based on 38¢ Parcel Post Rate. Rates increased October 1, 1953 and there was no 38¢ rate. Stamps tied by Parcel Post Roller Cancel.

Reverse Side - Front

CHARLESTON, S.C. to JACKSON, TENN. JANUARY 23, 1953

"39¢ Rate"

39¢ (3¢ x 13 oz.) First-Class Surface Rate July 6, 1932, thru July 31, 1958 Overpaid 1c by Convenience.

24¢ Benjamin Harrison (Sc# 828), plus 16¢ Abraham Lincoln (Sc# 821) Combination Usage

The cover, slit at both ends forming a sleeve or outer label, demonstrates a high-weight, twelve ounce (13 oz) First-Class Surface Rate mailing. The envelope was slit in this fashion to slide over newspapers, magazines, or a closed mailing tube.

William C. Hise 633 N. Pennsylvania St. Indianapolis 4, Ind.



Dr. Ross W. Hise 228 S. Walnut St. Bucyrus, Ohio

INDIANAPOLIS (45) IND. Circa 1947-50* TO BUCYRUS, OHIO

A roller cancellation device indicating the item was mailed at "INDIANAPOLIS, IND. (45) ties the pair of stamps. The (45) in the roller, after "INDIANAPOLIS" was the indicator of the Post Office Clerk cancelling this piece.

* The span of years has been selected based on other similair "dated" mailing sleeves between these two people.

"39¢ Rate"

6¢ (1/2 oz.) Military Air Mail Letter Rate*, plus *December 25, 1941 through September 30, 1946. 20¢ Registered Letter (\$0 to \$5.00 Indemnity),** and **March 26, 1944, thru December 31, 1948 13¢ Special Delivery Service*** = 39¢ ***November 1, 1944, thru December 31, 1948

> 5¢ James Monroe (Sc# 810), plus 8¢ Martin Van Buren (Sc# 813), 5¢ Transport Issue (Sc# C22) 20¢ James A. Garfield (Sc# 820) Combination Usage

A cover between relatives demonstrates a combination usage for a one-ounce (½ oz.) Military Registered (\$0 to \$5 Indemnity) Air Mail Letter with Special Delivery Service.

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The Back Stamps



U.S. ARMY POSTAL SERVICE 178PO (Ringwood, Hampshire, England) DEC 14 1944 TO

INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

The stamps are cancelled by 28mm x 20mm double-oval blind killers, while the cover two (2) red-violet 30mm double-circle back stamps: C.) two bearly legible Army Post Office 178, DEC 9 1944 mailing post office; one secondary (A.) 35mm dia. duplex c.d.s. with four-bar killer standard military issue "U.S. ARMY POSTAL SERVICE A.P.O. DEC 178PO 14 1944" cancel, and; B.) one (B.) 30mm dia. duplex c.d.s. with four-bar killer receiving post office cancel at 'FORT LOUDON, PA. DEC 27 P.M. 1944."

"39¢ Rate"*

39¢ (5 lb. Zone 2) Parcel Post Rate 4th Class Merchandise 2 Way Tag ~ Usage Front & Back *October 1, 1953, through July 31, 1958

MATCHING FRONT and BACK 30¢ Theodore Roosevelt (Sc# 830), plus 9¢ William Henry Harrison (Sc# 814) Combination Usage

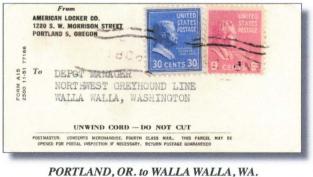
Business-to-business tag demonstrating a combo usage to pay the Domestic 4th Class Parcel Post (5 lb.) Zone 2 Rate.



WALLA WALLA, WA. to PORTLAND, OR.

(October 1, 1953 based on printing code on tag - July 31, 1958) Stamps tied by Circular Date Stamp Cancel.

BACK



⁽October 1, 1953 based on printing code on tag - July 31, 1958) Stamps tied by Parcel Post Roller Cancel.

"39¢ Rate"

9¢ (3¢ x 3 oz.) Domestic Letter Rate*, plus *July 6, 1932, thru July 31, 1958 30¢ Registered Letter (No Indemnity)** = 39¢ *January 1, 1952, thru December 31, 1956

> 50¢ William Howard Taft (Sc# 831), 3¢ Win the War (Sc# 905), plus 3¢ Thomas Jefferson (Sc# 807) Combination Usage

A cover baetween friends demonstrates a combination usage for a three-ouncse (3 oz.) Domestic First Class Registered Letter, with 0 indemnity., and Return Receipt Requested Fee paid.WD



The Back Stamps



NEW YORK, N Y. (Bryant Sta.) MAY 19 1954 TO INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

The stamps are cancelled by 28mm x 20mm double-oval blind killer; while the cover bears four (4) red-violet 30mm double-circle back stamps: WDDWA.) two (2) "NEW YORK, N.Y. BRYANT STA. MAY 19 1954" mailing post office cancels; AND B.) one (1) "INDIANAPOLIS, IND. REG. SEC. MAY 20, 1954" transit post office cancel; and finally C.) one (1) INDIANAPOLIS, IND. (FOUNTAIN SQ. STA.) REGISTERED MAY 21 1954," receiving post office cancel. \$.39 (.03¢ x 13oz.) Postage C.O.D. (Cash-On-Delivery)

15¢ James Buchanan (Sc# 820), plus 10¢ John Tyler (Sc# 815), 9¢ William Henry Harrison (Sc# 814), and 5¢ Washington-Washington Issue (Sc# 504) Combination Usage

This business-to-consumer shipping tag demonstrates a hi-weight 13oz first-class combination usage for a Cash-On Delivery (C.O.D.) shipment plus a demurrage charge of 5 cents for one extra day to hold the C.O.D. shipment. The 5 cents was added to the original Money Order Fee of 15 cents, increasing the total Money Order Fee to 20c.

C.O.D. (Cash-On-Delivery)

| DUE SENDER | \$ 3.90 | | |
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| Money Order Fee, plus | 0.15 | |
|-----------------------|------|---------|
| Demurrage Charge* | 0.05 | 0.20 |
| TOTAL | | \$ 4.10 |

Associated Fees^{*}, Demurrage^{**}: Act August 26, 1935; 49 Stat 86768;PL74-341PMG Ord 7709; PB 16753. *August 26, 1935 to March 26, 1944

**Demurrage was an extra charge per day after 20 days from 1st delivery attempt or notice (excluding Sundays or holiday, and day of delivery); not applicable to C.O.D. to or from territories or possessions; chargeable to maximum total retention of 30 days; thus maximum charge for 9 days or 45cents.





NORTH JUDSON, IND. TO ATLANTA 6, GA. JULY 7, 1939 - 1st Notice

The stamps are tied by a "NORTH, JUDSON, IND." roller cancel.

40¢ (20c per 1/2oz x 2) Air Mail Letter Rate* From Hawaii to Mainland *April 21, 1937, until January 15, 1945.

> 5¢ James Monroe (Sc# 810 x 4), plus Evanvsville, Ind. (Sc# J81 x 2) Combination Usage

Airmail between Hawaii IS. Terr. and the U.S. mainland cost twenty cents for the first half-ounce during this period. The cover also bears a staright line 'POSTAGE DUE 20 CTS' indicating the cover was underpaid by 1/2 oz.

This cover demonstrates doubleweight Air Mail between Hawaii and the mainland United States.

The cover was opened, censored & re-sealed at the Honolulu Postal Censorship Field Station, with U.S. Censor Tape 71036. The Censor number was used between December 1943 and March 1945.

6 HAWAII

HONOLULU, HAWAII (TERRITORY HAWAII) FEB 25 6PM 1944 to EVANSVILLE 21, IND.

Via Alp Mall

The stamps are tied by two (2) 30mm numerical eight-bar elliptical duplex circular date stamps. The 20c "Postage Due" was collected at "EVANSVILLE, IND" is directly below a red-violet straightline 43mm x 4mm "Postage Due 20 Cts" hand stamp and VIA "CLIPPER".

20¢ (1/2 oz. x 2) Airmail Letter Rate (Outside Continental U.S.) Between Guam and Hawaii" "April 21, 1937, through September 30, 1946 (Cover Overpaid by One Cent!)

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15¢ James Buchanan (Sc# 820), plus 20¢ James A. Garfield (Sc#825) uprates 6¢ Airmail Envelope ~ Type B1 ~ Die 5480 (Sc# UC4) (Thorp 5013: Size 8, Knife 59, Wmk 1939 Wht, Border 4) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage for a double-weight, (1 oz.) Outside Continental U.S. Letter, over paid by one-cent, with Presidential issues applied to uprate U.S. Postal Stationary.

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AGANGA, GUAM Mariana Islands OCT 30 P.M. 1945 TO HONOLULU, HAWAII

The stamps are tied to uprated postal stationary by a 33mm diameter circular date stamp with a four bar killer; the killer bars measured 1mm W x 23 mm L, spaced 4mm apart. The postal clerk utilizing the four-side bars of the killer canceled the postal stationary.

Tracing its antecedents to Hackfeld's Dry Goods formed by German trader Heinrich Hackfeld in 1849, Liberty House, headquartered in Honolulu, Hawaii, is a department store and specialty store chain with locations throughout the Hawaiian Islands and on Guam, as well as several locations on the mainland U.S. Liberty House became part of Macy's in 2001.

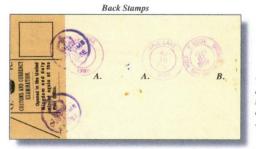
15¢ (1/2 oz.) International AirMail Letter Rate, Europe\*, \*November 1, 1946, through April 30, 1967
25¢ International Registry Fee\*\* (Indemnity: \$9.65) = 40¢ \*January 1, 1949, through August 31, 1952

## 25¢ William McKinley (Sc# 829), plus 15¢ New York Skyline (Sc# C35) Combination Usage

This business-to-business cover demonstrates a combination usage for a singleweight, half-ounce Registered International Air Mail Letter, with  $9.^{42}$  indemnity (50 Franc). The "crossed blue lines" indicated Registered Mail, within the British Royal Mail System.

The cover was opened, examined, and re-sealed in the United Kingdom, by the "CUSTOMS & EXCISE" Office, for customs and currency examination.





## WALL LAKE, IOWA AUG 18 1951 TO LONDON, ENGLAND

The stamps were cancelled with a 10mm round killer, while the cover bears three (3) red-purple 30mm double-circle back stamps: two (A.) "WALL LAKE, IOWA, AUG 18951" mailing post office cancels, and; one (B.)"CHICAGO, ILL. AIR MAIL FIELD, TOUR 3, AUG 19, 1951" transit cancel.

40¢ (1/2 oz.) Single Weight, F.A.M., Miami to Brazil, and Air in Brazil\* \*June 15, 1931, until March 31, 1945

30¢ Transport Issue (Sc# C30), plus 10¢ John Tyler (Sc# 815) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage for a single-weight, half-ounce F.A.M. Air Mail Letter Rate to Brazil.

The cover was opened, censored and re-sealed at the New York City Censor Station by Censor #8004 not before being pre-screened by a Diplomatic Censor, and backstamped with two markings.

#### **Diplomatic Ranking Censor Marking**

LATEST Known Usage



Type M1.1

The cover bears two Censor markings: (1.) the cover was opened, examined and resealed by Censor# 8004 located at the New York City Censor Station, plus (enhanced for viewing) a (2.) 6mm black ball over-struck with a (3.) red-violet 25mm L x 5mm H rectangular with a Imm reverse-out band 3mm from each end is the earliest know usage. Type M.1 was used from: Feb. 1944 to Apr 1944.

The unusual "Black Ball & Red-Violet Bar" marking is found on covers from/to foreign governmental agencies and personnel, semi-official commercial agencies and diplomatic personnel. The size of the "black ball" determined whether the mail was opened. If the "Black Ball" was 12mm, the mail would be uncensored.

20-3 -> 10-4-44 H. m. Camulia ALR 30 MALL UNITED STATES OF AMERIC Rua miquel Pereira 96 ap. 101 Formaita' Rio de Janeiro AIR MAIL

#### The Backstamps



Diplomatic Censor Marking compared to a dime!



BOTAFOGO, BRAZIL

# U.S. NAVY (Miami, Fl.) MAR 30 2<sup>30</sup>PM 1944 TO BOTAFOGO (RIO DE JANIEIRO), BRAZIL

The stamps are tied by a 30mm duplex circular date stamp with a 13mm W x 33mm H twelve-bar elliptal geometic killer.

The cover is backstamped with a black 30mm double-circle receiving cancel on "10 APR 4x BOTAF(OGO), BRAZIL.

## "45¢ Rate"

### (No honest error goes unpunished!)

45¢ (15¢ x 3 oz.) EAU Airmail Rate\* to France, \*November 1, 1946, through April 30, 1967

2¢ John Adams (Sc# 804 x 2), plus 3c 50th Anniv' Columbia Reclamation (Sc# 1009) 10¢ John Tyler (Sc#815)

Combination Usage

The cover was returned to the Sender to add 45¢ additional postage. However, the Sender mis-read the request; they saw the bottom-line and added 15¢ postage with five (5) Sc#807 in the lower left corner, INSTEAD of the 30¢ requested and required.

Washington D.C. Postal Clerk #6, handling the mail, for the second time, forgot what he wrote initially, and made the same mistake as the Sender--passing the cover for the 15¢ added postage.

The cover arrives in Paris and PART II of the problem (or fun) begins. U.P.U. regulations call for the "doubling of international postage due fees." i.e.: 2e due = 4e; French Postal Officials are allowed to collect  $15e \ge 20$  30¢ maximum. In this period, 1 U.S. cent = 6 French centimes, or 30 U.S. Cents = 180 Fr. Centimes, – which is correctly noted in the upper left corner. And French Postage Due is collected on the reverse, but wait...

If you add-up the two layers of French Postage Dues the total on the cover equals 3.50 Fr.!, or doubling the double due! (N.B.: one 10 Fr. Due stamp is missing and probably detached, separating from the far left 10 Fr. block of nine.)

Interestingly, both upper and lower French Dues were cancelled at the same District 13 Post Office with two distinct killers, one a simple "13" and the other second the post office c.d.s. A black 13mm postal clerk handstamp identifying the clerk handling the cover is also on the back of the cover at the bottom left "XIII / 3."

> 10 Fr. Postage Due (Sc# J89 x 21), and 20 Fr. Postage Due (Sc# J90 x 7) Combination Usage

WASHINGTON, D.C. <del>JUN 16-1<sup>36</sup>PM 1952</del>---> Returned for Postage & JUN 29-2 PM 1952 Re-mailed TO PARIS 13, FRANCE

The stamps are tied by a black 30mm duplex circular datestamp with a 13mmW x 33mmW x 1mmT eight-bar elliptical grid killer with numerical center #6 on June 16, 1952 where it where it was stamped with the red-violet four-line 14mm H x 50mm L Auxiliary Marking handstamp "RETURNED FOR ADDITIONAL POSTAGE." Front



Reverse - top





"48¢ Rate\*"

48¢ (12¢ x ½ oz.) FAM Air Mail Rate to Guatemala \*December 1, 1937 through March 31, 1945

5¢ James Monroe (Sc# 810), plus 20¢ James A. Garfield (Sc# 825 x 2), ½¢ Benjamin Franklin (Sc# 803), 1¢ National Defense Issue (Sc# 899), uprate 1½¢ Washington Circular Die Stationary (Sc#U481) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage paying the twoounce Foreign Air Mail Contract Letter Rate to Guatemala.



The Auxiliary Front Stamp



The auxiliary marking states, "RELEASED BY POST OFFICE INSPECTOR ON AUTHORITY OF CENSORSHIP OFFICER."

#### The Guatemala Receiving Back Stamps



# NEW ORLEANS, LA. DEC 24 4 PM & DEC 25 630 PM 1941 TO GUATEMALA CITY, GUATEMALA

This shortened commercial cover was originally "RETURNED FOR INSUFFICIENT POSTAGE DUE 1 CENTS." After re-mailing, the cover was posted on DEC 25, 1941 and travelled by Airmail to Brownstown, Texas to connect to its FAM route.

At Brownstown, the port of debarkation, the cover stopped by the U.S. Civilian Censorship Officer; the cover was opened, censored and re-sealed and for an unknown reason, temporarily held. The cover later released by the 'POSTAL INSPECTOR" when approved by the "CENSORSHIP OFFICER."

The stamps on the cover were cancelled by a 30mm duplex circular hand stamp with eight-bar numerical elliptical killers.

## "50¢ Rate"

3¢ (1 oz.) Domestic Letter Rate\*, plus \*July 6, 1932, thru July 31, 1958 40¢ Registered Letter Fee\*\* \*\* January 1, 1952, thru June 30, 1957 7¢ Return Receipt\*\*\* = 50¢ \*\*\* January 1, 1952, thru June 30, 1957

50¢ William Howard Taft (Sc#831), Solo Usage

This cover demonstrates a solo usage for a oneounce (1 oz.) Domestic Registered Letter with Returned Receipt fee.

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NEW YORK, N.Y. AUG 22 1952 TO LITITZ, PA.

Mr. H. F. Ruley, Secretary

WISIONY-2500-451W

Resistered 68941 Return Receipt Requested The stamps are tied by a 20mm W x 28mm H double-oval blind killer while the cover bears three (3) red-purple 29mm double-circle back stamps (2) "NEW YORK, N.Y., GRAND CENTRAL STA., AUG. 22 1952", and one (1)"LITITZ, PA., AUG 23 1952" receiving cancels.

#### "50¢ Rate"

30¢ (1/2 oz.) F.A.M. Air Mail Rate,\* London-Switzerland \*April 28, 1939, thru October 31, 1946 15¢ International Registry Fee\*\* (50 Franc/\$9.65 Indemnity) \*\*December 1, 1925, thru January 31, 1945 5¢ International Return Receipt Fee (A.R.)\*\*\* = 50¢ \*\*\*April 1, 1879, thru October 31, 1953

## 5¢ James Monroe ( Sc#810 x 2), plus 20¢ James A. Garfield (Sc# 825 x 2) Multiple Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage paying a single-weight, half-ounce Registered Letter Rate to Europe, with maximum Registry Fee covering 50 francs or \$9.65 indemnity, plus a signed International Return Receipt (A.R.) (A.R. = Avis Reception) at the time of delivery. This was re-stamped with a red 3mm x 34mm straightline "TIMBRE-RESPONSE."

**By Air Mail** FORM 2978 MAIL m

B. E. D.

NEW YORK, N. Y. (MADISON SQUARE STA.) JUL 25 1948 TO GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

The stamps are tied to the cover by a 19mm x 30mm doubleoval silent Killer while the back bears the folling backstamps: two (2) red-violet 30mm double-circle (A) "NEW YORK, N. Y., MADISON SQUARE STA. JUL 25 1940" mailing station; one black 30mm double-oval (B.) 'NEW YORK, USA. FOR-EIGN 7-25-1940. Foreign Mail Office transit cancel; one (C.) black 29mm double-oval ;'NEW YORK REG'DIV. 7-25-1940". Foreign Mail Office re-registration of cover; one (D.) Black 27mm hexagon LISBON PORTUGAL CENTRAL PO 27-JUL-1940 REGISTERED MAIL transit cancel, and; and finally one (E.) black 27mm double-circle "GENEVA 31.VII.40.24.H" Distr., Letter" receiving and delivering post office.

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WHOLESALE HOTEL & APARTMENT FURNISHINGS 19 N. W. SRD STREET MIAMI 32, FLORIDA KALMAN-UTCOM

"50¢ Rate""

30¢ (15¢ per ½ oz.) European Air Mail Rate,\* "November 1, 1946, through April 30, 1967

20¢ Registry Fee\*\*(\$9.65 Indemnity) "February 1, 1945, through December 31, 1948

24¢ Benjamin Harrison (Sc# 828 x 2), plus 2c Nations United (Sc# 907) Multiple Usage

This cover demonstrates a multiple usage paying a double weight, one (1) oz. Registered Air Mail Letter to Hungary.



HUNGARY.

MIAMI, FLA. JUL 1 1947 TO BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

The stamps are tied to the cover by a 22mm x 31mm double-oval silent killer, while the back bears two (2) red-violet 27mm doublecircle mailing station back stamps: (A.) MIAMI, FLA. JUL 1, 1947"; and one (B.) 'NEW YORK, N.Y. REG'Y DIV. 7-2 1947" Transit Cancellation. The cover arrived in Hungary and received two black 25mm double bi-sected circle receiving circle C.D.S.; the first at "BUDAPEST, CLERK S72S, 47-VII-7-9" transit cancel and the final at "BUDAPEST cost of 2020 947-VII-7-8 26" Receiving cancellation.

## "50¢ Rate"

50¢ (25¢ x 1/2 oz.) International Airmail Letter Rate, Asia<sup>\*</sup> \*November 1, 1946, through June 30, 1971

## 5¢ James Monroe (Sc# 810 x 10) Multiple Usage

This cover demonstrates a multiple usage paying the double-weight (1 oz.) International Air Mail Letter Rate to Israel.

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NEW YORK, N. Y. CHURCH STREET STA. JAN 27 5<sup>30</sup>-PM 1949 TO TEL AVIV, ISRAEL

Lig Alp Mail

Numerous 30mm black duplex circular date stamps tie the stamps with 13mm W x 33mm H eight-bar grid killers, with post office identifiers between the grids. The cover was received eight months after Israel declared statehood.

### "50¢ Rate\*"

30¢ (15¢ per ½ oz.) European Air Mail Rate,\* \*November 1, 1946, through April 30, 1967 20¢ Int'l Special Delivery Fee\*\*= 50¢ \*\*April 15, 1939, thru October 31, 1953

## 10¢ John Tyler (Sc# 815 x 5) Multiple Usage

This cover demonstrates a multiple usage for a double weight, one (1) oz. Special Delivery Air Mail Letter to Switzerland. The cover was forwarded at La Chaux-de-Fonds to Bale with the addition of the Switzerland Sc# 273.

NEW YORK

The Back Stamps



NEW YORK, N. Y. (MADISON SQUARE STA.) JAN 13 1951 TO LA CHAUX-DE-FONDS, SWITZERLAND> forwarded to ----> BALE, SWITZERLAND

The stamp is tied to the cover by a 28mm diameter duplex circular datestamp with an six-bar vertical bar grid killer with station identification center. The cover was received in (A.) "GE NEVA, SWITZERLAND ON 15.1.51.14H"; was forwarded and received at (B.) "POSTE TELEGRAPHE' 16.1.51 7-8V, LA CHAUX-DE-FONDS" and delivered to the "HOTEL DE VILLE\*LA CHAUX-DE-FONDS 2\*16.1.51.-9." An 80fr Swiss Sc# 273 was applied at the hotel and tied by a hotel cancellation on 16.1.1951 and forwarded to Bale. The cover bears a (C.) octagonal "TELEURGRAPH EILZUS-TELLUNG\*BASEL 2 - 16.1.51-14 delivery cancel.

# "53¢ Rate"\*

53¢ Fourth-Class Mail ~ 22 Pounds Zone 3 ~ (Distance 150-300 miles) \*June 30, 1947, through December 31, 1948

3¢ Thomas Jefferson (Sc# 807), plus 50¢ William Howard Taft (Sc# 831), Combination Usage

This Parcel Post Tag demonstrates a combination usage of a 22 Pound Domestic Fourth-Class ~ Zone 3, without indemnity.

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#### "53¢ Rate"

"Free Mail"" (Military Concession Rate) "June 15, 1942, through April 1, 1945 50¢ Registry Fee\*\* (\$200.01 - \$300.00 Indemnity),\* plus "July 1, 1932, through March 25, 1944

# 50¢ William Howard Taft (Sc# 831) Solo Usage

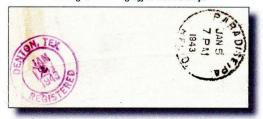
This Military Serviceman's cover demonstrates a combination usage of a (1 oz.) hi-value Registered Air Mail Letter, with \$200.01 to \$300.00 indemnity.

Surface charges were "FREE" but extra services, such as Certified Mail, registered mail, insured mail, return receipt, etc. required additional payment with stamps, as demonstrated with this cover.

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Mailing & Receiving Office Back Stamps

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DENTON, TEX. JAN 2 1943 TO PARADISE, PA. FREE

The stamp is tied by a 19mm x 28mm double-oval blind killer while the cover is back stamped with two (2) red-violet 30mm double-circle c.d.s., "DENTON, TEX. REGISTERED JAN 2 1943" mailing office cancels and a one black 30mm circular date stamp "PARADISE, PA. REC'D JAN 5 7PM 1943" receiving post office back stamp.

## "55¢ Rate"

30¢ (1/2 oz.) F.A.M. Air Mail Rate,<sup>\*</sup> London-Switzerland \*April 28, 1939, thru October 31, 1946 20¢ International Registry Fee<sup>\*\*</sup> (50 Franc/\$9.65 Indemnity) \*\*March 26, 1944, thru December 31, 1948 5¢ International Return Receipt (A.R.)\*\*\* = 50¢ \*\*\*April 1, 1879, thru October 31, 1953

# 5¢ James Monroe ( Sc#810 x 2), plus 20¢ James A. Garfield (Sc# 825 x 2) Multiple Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage paying a single-weight, half-ounce Registered Letter Rate to Europe, with maximum Registry Fee covering 50 francs or \$9.65 indemnity, plus a signed International Return Receipt (A.R.) (A.R. = Avis Reception) at the time of delivery.

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The Back Stamps



NEW YORK, N. Y. (ROCKERFELLER CENTER STA.) JUL 25 1948 TO

# GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

The stamps are tied to the cover by a 19mm x 30mm doubleoval silent Killer and a Black 27mm double-circle "BASEL 2 -7.VII.45.24.H" BRIEFAUSGAGE" delivering post office cancel. The cover is backstamped with the following: (A.) two (2) red-violet 30mm double-circle "NEW YORK, N. Y., ROCKER-FELLER CENTER STA. JUN 29 1945" mailing station cancels: one (B.) "NEW YORK, N.Y., REG'Y DIV 6-29-1945" and then a (C.) matching re-registration transit cancellaion; a (D.) Black 27mm double-circle "BASEL AERO -7.VII.45.8.H" AUSSERE STALBAN" airport receiving and TRANSIT cancel , and; (E.) Black 27mm double-circle "BASEL 2 -7.VII.45.24.H" BRIEF-AUSGAGE" delivering post office cancel.

#### 55¢ Rate

30¢ (per 1/2 oz.) European Air Mail Rate,\* and November 1, 1946, through April 30, 1967 20¢ Registry Fee\*\* (\$9.65 Indemnity), plus \*\*February 1, 1945 to December 31, 1948 5¢ International Return Receipt (A.R.)\*\*\*= 55¢ \*\*\*April 1, 1879 to October 31, 1953

> 25¢ William McKinley (Sc# 829 pair) 5¢ Roosevelt Four Freedoms (Sc# 933) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage paying a single weight (1/2 oz.) International Registered Air Mail Letter Rate to Europe with additional indemnity of a maximum of \$9.65.

#### Translation: Front Cover Markings



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AREPHESILII Prosente Le 13 9 48 "A.R." Is the Universal Postal Union (U.P.U.) symbol in French meaning, "Par lettre recommandée A.R." or, "By registered mail."

Non Reclame = Unclaimed Retour L'expediteur = Return to Sender.

AREPRESENTER= Represent Presented the 23.III.48



Departure, Transit, Arrival, Attempted Delivery & Return Backstamps



## NEW YORK, N.Y. MAR 3 1948 TO LAUSANNE, SWITZERLAND

The backstamps are identified as follows:

- A.) 30mm red-violet "NEW YORK, N.Y. MAR 3 1948 EMPIRE STATE STA." circular date stamp (c.d.s.).
- B.) Double-oval "NEW YORK, N.Y. REG'Y DIV. 3-3-1948."
- C.) Switzerland receiving bi-sected circular date stamp (c.d.s.) "LAUSANNE 2 - DIST. LETT. - 6. III. 48 - 13."
- D.) "LAUSANNE 1 CASES 12. III. 48 17" c.d.s.
- E.) "LAUSANNE 2 DIST. LETT. 20. 111. 48 18" c.d.s.
- F.) "LAUSANNE 1 CAS 20. III. 48 19" c.d.s.
- G.) "LAUSANNE 2 DIST. LETT. 23. III. 48 13" c.d.s.
- H.) "LUSANNE 2 GARE (station) CAS 23. III. 48 17" c.d.s.
- J.) Double-oval "NEW YORK, N.Y. REG'Y DIV. 4-17-1948."
- K.) 30mm red-violet "NEW ROCHELLE, N.Y. APR 19 1948."



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"55¢ Rate"

30¢ (15¢-per-1/2 oz.) European Air Mail Rate," November 1, 1946, thru April 30, 1967 25¢ Registry Fee" (\$9.65 Indemnity) = 55¢ "January 1, 1949, through August 31, 1952

> 1¢ George Washington (Sc# 804), plus 4¢ James Madison (Sc# 808), 50¢ Transport Issue (Sc# C31) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage paying a doubleweight, one-ounce (1oz.) Registered International Air Mail Letter to Hungary, with maximum insurance fee and Indemnity of \$9.65.



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MIAMI, FLA. JAN 17 1949 TO BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

The stamps are tied to the cover by a 23mm x 30mm doubleoval silent killer, while the back bears two (2) red-violet 27mm double-circle mailing station back stamps:(A.) MIAMI, FLA. JAN 17, 1949"; and one (B.) 'NEW YORK, N.Y. REG'Y DIV. 1-17-1949" Transit Cancellation. The cover arrived in Hungary and received one (1) black 25mm double bi-sected circle receiving cancellations (C.) "BUDAPEST <sub>B</sub>72<sub>B</sub> 49-1-21.14" receiving transit cancellation and delivery post office (D.) "BUDAPEST <sub>5</sub>22, 49-JAN-21-??."

#### "60¢ Rate"

60¢ (30¢-per-½ oz. x 2) European Air Mail Rate\*, France \*April 28, 1939, thru October 31, 1946

# 30¢ Theodore Roosevelt {Rare Sc# 830a pair - Deep Blue Variety!} Multiple Usage\*\*

This commercial cover demonstrates a pair usage of a double-weight, oneounce (1 oz.) Air Mail letter to France. The cover bears a rare usage of the Sc# 830a Deep Blue Color Variety.

Apparently, the usage<sup>\*\*</sup> fell-off and was placed back on the cover by the prior owner. No attempt has been made to correct the problem.



The Back Stamps:



**Receiving Cancels:** 

A. MONTAUBAN, TARN-et-GARONNE - 18.X.40 - 9M B. P.P., TOULOUSE - 14\* 18-X-1940 NEW YORK, N Y. OCT 5 5<sup>30</sup>PM 1940 TO <del>MONTAUBAN, FRANCE ></del> forwarded to: TOULOUSE, FRANCE

The stamps are cancelled by the following cancelling machine: INTERNATIONAL POSTAL SUPPLY CO., cancellation Machine Specifications:

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| DIAL TYPE:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | D      | KILLER TYPE:              | SLOGAN       |  |  |  |  |
| Dial Diameter:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 22mm   | Killer Type:              | WORLD'S FAIR |  |  |  |  |
| Type Size:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 3mm    | Wave Up/Down:             |              |  |  |  |  |
| Dial Variety:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |        | Killer OAL:               | 47mm         |  |  |  |  |
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| Slogan:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | NEW Y  | ORK WORLD'S FAIL          | R 1940       |  |  |  |  |
| Cancel Size:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 22mm x | 78mm (7/8"H x 3-1/        | (8"L)        |  |  |  |  |



"60¢ Rate" 60¢ (6¢x 10 oz.) Domestic Air Mail Rate. July 1, 1934, through March 25, 1944

30¢ Theodore Roosevelt (Sc# 830 x 2) Multiple Usage

A cover demonstrating a multiple usage paying the half-ounce (1/2 oz.) Military Post Office (M.P.O.) Domestic Air Mail Letter Rate.

The cover came from the 1307 Engr Cont Bn was part of the U.S. Navy "Seabees" assigned to re-construct bases at Manila, Phillipines.





U.S. ARMY A.P.O.928 (Manila, Philippines) MAR 26 1945 TO URBANA, ILL.

The stamps are tied by a U.S. Army Postal Service 30mm double-circle circular date handstamp.

It also has a 1"x 1½" red-violet rectangular "PASSED BY U. S. ARMY EXAMINER 31303" handstamp in the lower left-hand corner.

#### "60¢ Rate"

60¢ (6¢ x 10lb.) Gift Parcel Rate, France & Monaco\* \*February 1, 1949, thru October 31, 1953

> 15¢ James Buchanan (Sc# 820x4) Multiple Usage

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A manila package fragment demonstrates a multiple usage paying a ten-pound (10 lb.)"4th Class, U.S.A. Gift Parcel Rate" to France or Monaco under the Economic Cooperation Administration (ECA.) The ECA was a U.S. government agency set up in 1948 to administer the Marshall Plan. Package contents were limited to non-perishable food, clothing, clothing making materials shoes, shoe making materials, mailable medical & health supplies and household supplies and utensils. The maximum was \$5 value and a 22 lbs-shipment.

PHILADELPHIA, PA. February 1, 1949~October 31, 1953 TO ??, FRANCE

The stamps are tied by a faint black "PHILADELPHIA, PA." repeating roller cancel.

LABEL A: French Customs label states, "COLIS-CA-DEAU des ÉTATS-UNIS à remettre au Destinataire SANS AUCUNE PERCETION" or "GIFT OF THE UNITED STATES to be delivered to the Recipient WITHOUT PER-CEPTION."

LABEL B: Quad-Lingual Post Office Label (French Translation): "Pour le relevement de l'europe un cadeau DE ETATS UNIS exedie a prix reduit en application du Marshall Plan" translates, "For rebuilding Europe. A gift parcel from the United States postage reduced for the Marshall Plan."

### "60¢ Rate"\*

40¢ (1 oz.) Double Air Mail Rate (To & From American Samoa), plus 20¢ Registry Fee (\$25 Value) = 60¢ \*April 21, 1937, until January 15, 1945.

20¢ Transport Issue (Sc# C29), plus 30¢ Theodore Roosevelt (Sc# 830 x 2) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates Air Mail between the American Samoa and the mainland paying the double weight, one-ounce air mail rate to and from the Mainland.

The cover was opened an examined by U.S. Naval Censor located at U.S. Naval Station Tutuila in Pago Pago Harbor on the island of Tutuila.



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# PAGO PAGO, SAMOA JUL 24 1944 to KANSAS CITY, MO.

The stamps are tied by the killer-side of a duplex circular date stamp with elliptical grid killer and back-stamped with four (4) red-violet double-circle cancellations, which include: two (2) mailing post office (A.) "PAGO PAGO, SAMOA REGISTERED JUL 24 1944" cancellations; one (B.) "KANSAS CITY, MO. REGISTERED AUG 7 1944" Transit P.O. cancel and; one (1) receiving cancel (C.) "NORTH KANSAS CITY, MO. REGISTERED AUG 7, 1944."



#### "60¢ Rate"

**30¢** (<sup>1</sup>/20**z**. **x** 2) European Air Mail Rate, France \*April 28, 1939, thru October 31, 1946

> 5¢ James Monroe (Sc# 810), plus 5¢ Theodore Roosevelt (Sc# 637) 25¢ China Clipper Air Mail (Sc# C20) Combination Usage

This person-to-person cover demonstrates a combination usage for a double-weight, one-ounce (10z.) Air Mail letter to France.



# NEW YORK, N Y. GRAND CENTRAL ANNEX FEB 4 2<sup>30</sup>PM 1940 to PELOTON, FRANCE

The stamps are cancelled at "NEW YORK, N.Y., GRAND CENTRAL ANNEX" by a 30mm duplex circular datestamp with a 13mmx 33mm eight-bar alpha-grid center killer. The initials "G.C." in the center of the grid stand for the postal station "Grand Central."

## "60¢ Rate"

60¢ (30¢-per-½ oz.) Military Airmail, Letter Rate\*, Belgium \*April 28, 1939 until October 31, 1946

## 30¢ Theodore Roosevelt (Sc# 830 x 2) Multiple Usage

This cover demonstrates a pair usage for a double-weight, one-ounce (1oz.) Airmail letter to Belgium. The Military (M.P.O.) rate was the same as the standard over-the-counter post office rates to non-military patrons.



Enclosed in the cover.



# U.S. ARMY POSTAL SERVICE (APO 72 ~ LEYETE, PHILLIPINES) OCT 18 1945 TO BRUSSELLES, BELGIUM

On 20 October 1944, General Douglas MacArthur waded ashore on Leyte, saying, "I have returned!" This cover was mailed from Leyte approximately one year later. The cover contains a lengthy letter from a Women Army Corp (WAC) member an included a 2nd Series 1Peso Japanerse note.

The stamps are tied by the following machine cancellation: UNIVERSAL STAMPING MACHINE CO. cancellation DIAL TYPE: D-MPO KILLER TYPE: 200

| DIAL TYPE:     | D-MPO                          | KILLER TYPE:    | 200          |  |  |
|----------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|--|--|
| Dial Diameter: | 25mm                           | Killer Type:    | 7 Wavy Lines |  |  |
| Type Size:     | 2mm                            | Wave Up/Down:   | Up           |  |  |
| Dial Variety:  | Military                       | Killer OAL:     | 50mm         |  |  |
| Gap to Killer: | 8mm                            | Killer Variety: |              |  |  |
| Station:       | U.S.ARMY POSTAL SERVICE        |                 |              |  |  |
| Cancel Size:   | 25mm x 80mm (7/8"H x 3-1/16"L) |                 |              |  |  |

## " 60¢ Rate"

60¢ (3¢ x20 oz.) First Class Mail Domestic and Military Mail Letter or Package Rate \*July 1, 1932 to July 31, 1958

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30¢ Theodore Roosevelt (Sc# 830 pair),

Multiple Usage

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Partial package wrapper demonstrating a multiple usage for a 200z. First Class International Military A.P.O. Parcel, with: red-violet "FIRST CLASS" handstamp; signed "International Parcel Post Customs Declarations Form 2922"; WWII Soldiers' written declaration that "Package Contains No Government Property", and: three-line red-violet "PASSED FREE U.S. CUSTOMS ST. LOUIS, MO." handstamp.

(To be filled out by accepting clerk) INTERNATIONAL PARCEL POST Colis Postal International to be or if r INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN BY SENDER Dispositions de l'Expéditeur WEIGHT If undeliverable as addressed: Au cas de non-livraison: \_\_\_ lbs. (a) Deliver to. (Le colis doit être livré à). 078 POSTAGE From: m/syt allie B. Tauaton 37/01864 OTCSig O. USFET, #P0257 9/0 Postmanter (b) Abandon. (Abandon du colis). Return to sender. Return charges guaranteed. CLERK'S INITIALS Le colis doit être renvoyé à l'expéditeur, qui s'engage à payer les frais de retour. lock, n? ature de l'expéditeur) Form 16-9220 2000 U. S. CUSTUME ST. LOUIS, MQ Scirtify that this lace Contains 40 Barnett Baterville H.D. H. Gairedill OTOSig O USFET

## U.S. ARMY POSTAL SERVICE ~ A.P.O. 757 H.Q. U.S. FORCES, EUROPEAN FORCES OF OPERATION VERSAILLES, FRANCE OCT 5 1944 TO

# BATESVILLE, ARK.

The headquarters for U.S. FORCES EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATION (USFET) A.P.O. 757 was located at Versailles, France from 20 September 1944 until 28 May 1945 when it relocated to Frankfurt, Germany. On 30 June 1945, A.P.O. 757 became: 757-1 (HQ EUCOM BLDG), 757-4 (Hoechst, Ger), 757-5 (Hanau, Ger), and 757-6 (97th General Hospital, Ger); 757A also exists (Julouville, Fr. 1944& Frankfurt, Ger 1950).

## "60¢ Rate"

15¢ (1/2 oz.) Europe Airmail, Letter Rate \*November 1, 1946, thru April 30, 1967 40¢ Int'l Registration Fee\*\* (\$9.<sup>65</sup> Indemnity), plus \*\*September 1, 1952, thru October 31, 1953 5¢ (A.R.) Int'l Return Receipt Requested Fee\*\*\* \*\*December 1, 1925, thru October 31, 1953

2¢ John Adams (Sc# 806 x 2), plus 50¢ William Howard Taft (Sc# 831), uprates 6¢ Airmail Envelope (Sc# UC5 ~ Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage for a single-weight, half-ounce International Registered Airmail letter with signed (A.R.) Acknowledgement of Receipt Request, to Europe.

The registration of letters as known today was introduced in 1841 in Great Britain. The letter had to be enclosed within a large sheet of green paper. On 1 July 1858 the green sheet was replaced by a green silk ribbon. In 1870 the tape was replaced by green string. In 1878 the string was replaced by printed blue crossed lines. The blue crossed lines have survived on registered letters to the present day.

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The Back Stamps



# NEW YORK 7, N. Y. APR 22 1953 TO

#### BIRMINGHAM, ENGLAND

The stamps are tied by 18mm x 27mm double-oval dumb killers, while the reverse bears: (A.) two (2) red-purple 30mm double-circle back stamps, "NEW YORK, N.Y. CHURCH STREET STA. APR 22 1953", and; (B.) one 35mm red-violet "NEW YORK (IDL) AIR MAIL FIELD P.T.S., OCT 26 1951 3" transit cancel.

#### "67¢ Rate"

42¢ (42c ≤ 20z.) Air Service for Other Articles Rate, France\* \*May 1, 1949, thru July 1, 1961 25¢ Registry Service Fee\*\* (\$9.65 Indemnity) = 67¢ \*\*January 1, 1949, through August 31, 1952

#### *3¢ OVERPAID FOR CONVENIENCE*

#### 25¢ William McKinley (Sc# 829 pair), plus 10¢ John Tyler (Sc# 815 pair) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage for a single-weight, two-ounce or less, Registered Letter sent via Air Mail "Other Articles" or "Autre Objets". The term "A.O." being a catchall for commercial papers, printed matter, samples, samples of merchandise, merchandise packages and small packages. The cover also bears a remnant of the green "DOUANE" Customs Declaration tag.





New York, N.Y., Sep. 1, 1949

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Top of Green Customs Label. Bottom portion with declaration of items and value is missing indicating 'no value''.

#### NEW YORK, N.Y. BOULEVARD STA. SEP 1 1949 TO PARIS 8e, FRANCE

The stamps are tied by 26mm W x 20mm H double-oval blind Killer. The front bears: an INTERNATIONAL UPU navy "PAR AVION" (AIR MAIL); yellow diamond "A.O." Autre Objects label; the top remnant of a "DOANE" Customs Declaration Form AND red boxed "C.R.F. 5. SEP. 49 APPROVED" CUSTOMS REPUBLIC OF FRANCE. A auxiliary straight-line red-violet "REGISTERED" and black #482778 registry number appears in the lower-left corner.

The reverse has two (2) red-violet 29mm diameter doublecircle "NEW YORK BOULEVARD STA. SEP 1, 1949" cancellations and one (1) black 24mm H x 34mm L double oval "NEW YORK REG'Y DIV. 9-1-1949" CANCELLATION."

#### "70¢ Rate"\*

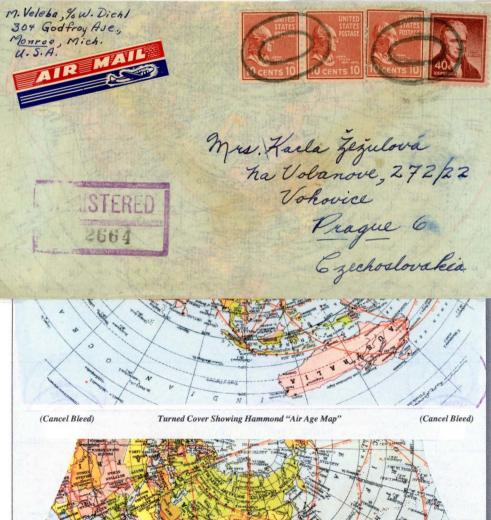
15¢ (1/2 oz.) European Air Mail Rate\*, plus \*November 1, 1946, through April 30, 1967 55¢ Registry Fee\*\* (\$8.17 Indemnity) = 70¢ \*\*November 1, 1953, through June 30, 1957

10¢ John Tyler (Sc# 815 x 3), plus 40¢ John Marshall ~ Wet Printing (Sc# 1050a) Combination Usage

This "turned worldwide map" cover demonstrates a combination usage for a single-weight, half-ounce Registered Air Mail cover with a \$8.17 general indemnity to Czechoslovakia.

## MONROE, MICH. JAN 22 1957 to PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA





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"72¢ Rate"

72¢ (3¢-per-oz. x 24 oz.) M. P. O. Domestic First Class, Letter Rate\* \*July 6, 1932, thru July 31, 1958

2¢ Nations United for Victory (Sc# 902) plus 10¢ John Tyler (Sc# 810), 20¢ James A. Garfield (Sc# 825 x 3) Combination Usage

This wrapper demonstrates a combo usage pays a 1½ lb. First Class Registered Package from a Military Post Office in Australia.





U.S. NAVY AUG 18 1943 TO CAMDEN, N. J.

The stamps are cancelled by 30mm dia. four-bar duplex circular datestamp with four 1mm x 25mm cancellation bars. This was ship cancellation device with the name of the vessel scratchedout at the top portion of the device.

## "75¢ Rate"

75¢ (1/2 oz. x 5) European Air Mail Rate \*November 1, 1946, through April 30, 1967

2000 10¢ John Tyler (Sc# 815 x 7), plus 5¢ Small DC-4 Transport (Sc# C33) Combination Usage 2000

This business-to-business cover demonstrates a combination usage for a quintuple-weight, twoand-one-half-ounce airmail letter to France.

ELIZABETH, N. J. FEB 18 7<sup>30</sup>PM 1949 to PARIS FRANCE

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The stamps are cancelled at "ELIZABETH, N. J." by a 30mm duplex circular datestamp with an eight-bar numerical-grid killer; the killer measures 13mm wide by 33mm high.



"75¢ Rate"

#### 60¢ (30¢-per-1/2oz.) F.A.M. International Air Mail,

Letter Rate, \* Spain \*April 28, 1939 until November 1, 1946 15¢ International Registration Fee\* (\$9.64 Indemnity) \*December 1, 1925, thru January 31, 1945

#### 30¢ Winged Globe Stamp of 1939 (Sc# C24), plus 15¢ James Buchanan (Sc# 820) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage for a double-weight, oneounce International Registered Airmail letter to the Spain. The cover is stamped "DEPARTMENT RULING NO. 2 COMPLIED WITH"; a U.S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT ruling concerning transferring funds.

The cover, docketed in red, indicates that the "papers were included and the CHEQUE was missing from the envelope!"

The Backstamps



#### NEW YORK, N. Y. SEP 13 1940 TO MADRID, SPAIN

The stamps are tied by a 20mm x 28mm doubleoval blind killer, while the cover bears: (A.) two (2) red-vicel 30mm double-crick mailing office back stamps, "NEW YORK (ROCKERFELLER CENTER STA.) N.Y. REGISTERED SEP 13 1940"; (B.) one (1) black 30mm double-oval, "NEW YORK, N.Y. REGY DIV. 9-13-1940"; (C.) one (1) black 30mm doubleoval, "NEW YORK, U.S.A. FOREIGN 9-13-1940"; (D.) one (1) black 30mm X 33mm diamond shaped "CORRER AEREO 18 SEP. 40. 1.T. CERTIFICADO MADRID" airport receiving transit cancel, and; (E.) a 25mm x 32mm black "19.SFT.40 MADRID" delivery post office cancel.

#### "76¢ Rate"

 16¢ (2 oz.) Domestic Air Mail Letter Rate\*, \*January 1, 1949, thru July 31, 1958
 60¢ Registry Fee (≤\$10 Indemnity),\*\* = 76¢ \*\*August 15, 1961, thru March 25, 1966

16¢ Abraham Lincoln (Sc# 821), and 22¢ Grover Cleveland (Sc# 827 pair), plus 9¢ Post Office Pitney-Bowes Tape Meter No. 122507, uprate a 1¢ Surcharged 6¢ Skymaster Air Mail Postal Stationary (Sc# UC30a) Combination Usage

This business-to-consumer cover demonstrates a combination usage of a doubleweight, two-ounce Registered Domestic Air Mail Letter, with \$0 to \$10.00 indemnity.





MIAMI, FLA. (BUENA VISTA STA.) NOV 18 1963 TO LEBANON, PA.

The stamps were cancelled with a 23mm x 33mm double-oval blind killer, while the cover bears three (3) red-purple 30mm double-circle back stamps: two (2) "MIAMI, BUENA VISTA STA. NOV. 18 1963" mailing post office cancels, and one (1) "LEBANON, PA. NOV 19 1963" receiving post office cancels.

# "78¢ Rate"

68¢ (311b. Zone 2) 4<sup>th</sup> Class Parcel Post Rate\* \*March 26, 1944, thru December 31, 1948 10¢ Insurance Service (\$5.<sup>61</sup> to \$25.<sup>60</sup>) = 78¢ \*November 1, 1944, thru December 31, 1948

6¢ John Quincy Adams (Sc#811 x 9), plus 20¢ James A. Garfield (Sc# 825), 3¢ Thomas Jefferson (Sc# 807), and 1¢ George Washington (Sc# 804) Combination Usage

Business-to-business tag demonstrates a combination usage to pay a Domestic, 4th Class Parcel Post (1 lb.) Zone 2 Rate, with \$5.01 to \$25.00 Insurance Service.

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SCRANTON 9, PA. OCT 7, 1948 TO READING, PA.

The parcel tag received a 30mm red-violet double-circle "SCRANTON, PA. OCT 7 1948" mailing station cancel and the stamps are tied by a standard 'SCRANTON (9) PA." double-line roller cancellation and blue 17mm x 40mm INSURE No.\_\_\_\_\_\_



"80¢ Rate"\*

60¢ (30¢-per-½ oz. x 6) Airmail to Europe Letter Rate" \*April 28, 1939 until November 1, 1946 15¢ Registry Service Fee\*(\$9.≰ Indemnity), plus \*"December 25, 1925 thru January 30, 1945 5¢ (A.R.) Avis Reception\*"(Return Receipt Requested) = \$2.00 "December 1, 1925, thru October 31, 1951

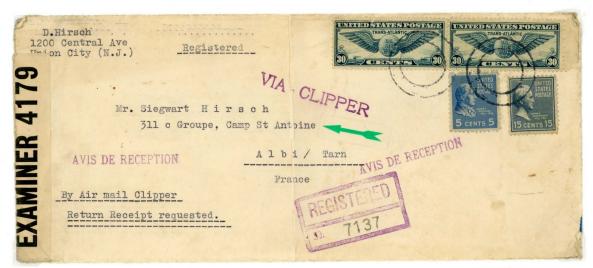
> 10¢ John Tyler (Sc# 810 x 9), plus 5¢ Elias Howe Famous Americans (Sc# 892 x 6), 20¢ James A. Garfield (Sc# 825 x 4) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a multiple usage paying a six-time-weight, three ounce (3 oz.) registered air mail letter with basic indemity and return receipt (AR.) service.



#### NEW YORK, N.Y. MADISON SQ STA ~ REGISTERED OCT 30 1940 TO LONDON, ENGLAND

The stamps were tied by a 28mm s 20mm double-oval blind killer, while the cover bears: two red-violet 28mm double-circle back stamps (A.)"NEW YORK, N. Y. (MADISON SQ. STA.) REGISTERED, OCT 30 1940" mailing office; one black (B.) "NEW YORK, N.Y., REG'Y DIV., 10-30-40" 25mm x 33mm black double oval transit cancel; and one (C.) "NEW YORK, U.S.A., FOREIGN, 10-30-40" double-oval transit; and a 23mm diateret (P.) "LONDON R.LD, 12,10-40-3" receiving cancellation.

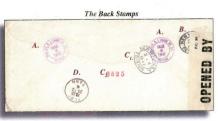


#### "80¢ Rate"

60¢ (30¢-per-½ oz. x 2) Airmail to Europe Letter Rate April 28, 1939 until November 1, 1946 15¢ Registry Service Fee\* (89,54 Indemnity), plus "December 25, 1925 thru January 30, 1945 5¢ (A.R.) Avis Reception""(Return Receipt Requested) = 80¢ "December 1, 1925, thru October 31, 1951

> 30¢ Winged Airmail (Sc# C24 x 2), plus 5¢ James Monroe (Sc# 810), and 15¢ James Buchanan (Sc# 820) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage paying a double-weight, one ounce (1 oz.) international registered air mail letter with basic indemnity and "AVIS DE RECEPTION" (A.R.) return receipt service.



#### UNION CITY, N. J, MAR 4 1941 TO Camp St. Antoine Internment Camp ALBI, TARN, FRANCE

The stamps were tied by a 29mm double-circle bind killer, while the cover bears: two red-purple 30mm double-circle city back stamps (A.) "UNION CITY, N.J., (SUMMIT AVE. STA.). REGISTERED, MAR 4 1941" mailing office; one (B.) "NEW YORK, N.Y., REG'Y DIV, 3-4 1941" transit cancel; one (C.I.) "NEW YORK, U.S.A. FOREIGN 3-4 1941" 25mm x 32mm black double woal transit cancel and re-registration with red 6525 re-registration number; and one black 25mm cd.s. (D.) "ALBI, TARN 1820 23-3-41" France post office receiving cancel.

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"80¢ Rate"

60¢ (30¢-per-½ oz. x 2) Airmail to Europe Letter Rate' April 28, 1939 until November 1, 1946 15¢ Registry Service Fee" (\$9.<sup>64</sup> Indemnity), plus "December 25, 1925 thru January 30, 1945 5¢ (A.R.) Avis Reception" (Return Receipt Requested) = 80¢ "December 1, 1925, thru October 31, 1951

> 50¢ William Howard Taft (Sc# 831), 24¢ Benjamin Harrison (Sc# 828), uprates 6¢ Single Motor Airmail Envelope (Sc# UC3) Multiple Usage

This cover demonstrates a multiple usage paying a double-weight, one ounce (1 oz.) registered air mail letter with basic indemity and return receipt (A.R.) service.



#### NEW YORK, N. Y. (STA. G.) JUN 6 1941 TO HERAULT, FRANCE

The stamps were tied by a 28mm x 20mm double-oval blind killer, while the cover bears: two red-purple 28mm double-circle back stamps (A, "NEW YORK, N, Y, (STA, G, ) REGISTERED JUN 6 1941" mailing office and one (B,) "NEW YORK, N.Y., REG'Y DIV. 6-6 1941" and (C,) "NEW YORK, N.Y., FOREIGN 6-6 1941" 25mm x 30mm black double oval transit cancel; and one 25mm cd.s. (D,) "HERRAULT 6-16, 25-6-41" Receiving Cancel.

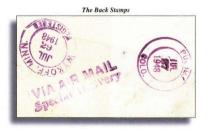


#### "83¢ Rate"

5¢ (10z.) Domestic Air Mail Letter Rate, "October 1, 1946 through December 31, 1948 65¢ Registry Service\*\* (\$200.<sup>a</sup>. 300.<sup>a</sup> Indemnity), plus "March 26, 1944, thru December 31, 1948 13¢ Special Delivery Service\*\*\* = 83¢ "November 1, 1944, thru December 31, 1948.

2¢ John Adams (Sc#806), plus, 10¢ John Tyler (Sc# 815), 25¢ China Clipper Air Mail (Sc# C#20 x 2), 16¢ Air Mail Special Delivery (Sc# CE2), & 5¢ James Monroe (Sc# 810) Combination Usage

This business-to-business cover with a combination usage paying a single-weight, one-ounce (1 oz.) domestic airmail registered letter, with \$200 to \$300 indemnity and special delivery request service on delivery.



#### PUEBLO, COLO. JAN 27 1948 TO WYKOFF, MINN.

The stamps are tied by a 17mm x 25mm double-oval blind killer, while the reverse bears three (3) redviolet 30mm circular datestamps including: two (2) "PUEBLO, COLO., JUL 27 1948," mailing office cancels and one (1) "WYKOFF, MINN., REGIS-TERED JUL 29, 1948" receiving post office cancel.

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5¢ James Monroe (Sc# 810), plus 80¢ Diamond Head, Hawaii Airmail (Sc#C46), **Combination** Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage paying a triple-weight, one-and-one-half oz. (11/202.) Registered Letter Rate to Switzerland.

WEST NEW YORK, N.Y. (TAURUS STA.) DEC 17 1952 TO EINSIEDELN, SWITZERLAND

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"85¢ Rate" 45¢ (1/2 oz.x 3) International Airmail. Letter Rate\* \*November 1, 1946, through April 30, 1967 40¢ Int'l Registration Fee\*\* (\$9.65 Indemnity) "November 1, 1953, through June 30, 1957



"90¢ Rate"

90¢ (30¢ per 1/2 oz. x 3) European Air Mail Rate\* \*April 28, 1939 until October 31, 1946

> 1¢ George Washington (Sc# 804 x 6), plus 3¢ Thomas Jefferson (Sc# 807 x 3), 5¢ James Monroe (Sc# 810 x 3), and 10¢ John Tyler (Sc# 815 x 6) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage paying triple-weight, one and one-half ounce (11/202.) International Air Mail Letter to Italy.

The cover shows that it was originally "RETURNED FOR POSTAGE" requiring an additional 30 cents Air Mail postage due. Leo Stein (May 11, 1872 – July 29, 1947) was an American art collector and critic. He was born in Allegheny City (now in Pittsbirgh), the older brother of Gertrude Stein. Stein spent a number of years living in Paris with his sister. In 1914, the two split due to Leo's resentment of Gertrude's infatuation with Alice B. Toklas, whom he described as "a kind of abnormal vampire."

#### The Backstamp



#### NEW YORK, N.Y. AUG 7, 1946 TO

#### SATTIGNANO, ITALY

The stamps are tied to the cover by a black 30mm dia. duplex circular datestamp with an eight bar 13mm x 33mm elipited grid killer with initial station center at "NEW YORK, N. Y., GRAND CENTRAL STA. AUG 7 10:<sup>20</sup>AM 1946" and a partial impression of a black 26mm duplex with a six bar 13mm x 33mm elipiteal grid killer with initial station center at "NEW YORK, N. Y., STA. F. AUG 8 11:<sup>20</sup>AM 1946" circular datestamp with 13mm x 33mm six-bar ellipiteal killer. The cover has a 28mm bi-seceted circle receiving cancellation at "SETTIGNANO-FIRENZE 22.8.46" which is in Tuscany, Italy.

## "90¢ Rate"

90¢ (30¢ x 1/2 oz.) International Airmail Letter Rate\* \*November 1, 1946, through April 30, 1967

## 15¢ James Buchanan (Sc# 820 x 6) Multiple Usage

This cover demonstrates a multiple usage for a triple-weight, one and one-half-ounce airmail letter to France.

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The stamps on this cover are tied by a 30mm black duplex circular datestamp with a 13mmW x 33mmH eight-bar elliptical grid killer, with station identifier (G.P.O.) center.

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"95¢ Rate"

75¢ (15¢-per-½02. x 5) European Air Mail Rate,\* France 'November 1, 1946, thru April 30, 1967 20¢ Registry Fee\*(\$9.65 Indemnity) = 95¢ "February 1, 1945, through December 31, 1948 OVERPAID BY 2¢

> 17¢ Andrew Johnson (Sc# 822 x 2), plus 30¢ Theodore Roosevelt (Sc# 830 x 2), uprate 3¢ Washington Postal Stationary ~ (Sc# U436) (Die 143a - Wmk 411/945-Knife112, Sz 23) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage paying a quintupleweight, two-and-one-half ounce (2½02.) Registered International Air Mail Letter to Hungary, with maximum indemnity of \$9.65.



#### PHILADELPHIA, PA. (MIDDLE CITY STA.) FEB 8 1946 TO PARIS VII, FRANCE

The stamps are tied to the cover by four 23mm x 30mm doubleoval silent killers, while the back bears two (2) red-violet 27mm double-circle mailing station back stamps: (A.) PHILADEL-PHIA, PA. (MIDDLE CITY STA.) REGISTERED FEB 8, 1946" and one (B.) 'NEW YORK, N.Y. REG'Y DIV. 2-8-1946" Transit Cancellation.

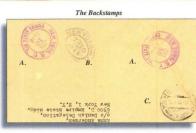




75¢ (2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>oz. x 15¢) International Airmail, Letter<sup>\*</sup>, Europe <sup>\*</sup>November 1, 1946, through April 30, 1967 20¢ International Registration Fee<sup>\*\*</sup> (\$9.<sup>65</sup> Indemnity) = 95¢ <sup>\*\*</sup>February 1, 1945, thru December 31, 1948 (Overpaid by one cent!)

> 30¢ Theodore Roosevelt (Sc# 830 x 3) 3¢ Thomas Jefferson (Sc# 807 x 2) Combinstionn Usagesda

This cover demonstrates a combination usage for a two-and-one-half-ounce International Registered Airmail letter to Germany. The cover bears a Post Office green "Customs" label and blue p. o. "PAR AVION" label.



#### NEW YORK, N. Y. EMPIRE STATE STA. JUL 10 1948 TO MULHEIM-RUHR-STYRUM, BRITTISH ZONE, GERMANY

The stamps were cancelled with a 26mm x3 30mm double-oval dumb killer, while the cover is back stamped with: (A.) three (3) red-purple 30mm double-circle "NEW YORK, N.Y. EMPIRE STATE STA., JUL 10 1948"; (B.) one (1) black 33mm double-oval "NEW YORK, N.Y. REG'Y. DIV. 7-10-1948" transit cancel, and; (C.) black international receiving cancel, "MULHEIM-MRURM-STYRUM 15.7-48-15."

# \$1.05 Rate

50¢ (25¢-per-1/20z. x 2) ASA International Air Mail Letter Rate, Korea\* November 1, 1946 thru May 1, 1967 55¢ International Registration Fee<sup>\*\*</sup> (\$8.17 Indemnity) "November 1, 1953 thru June 30, 1957

## 50¢ William Howard Taft (Sc# 831), plus 5¢ James Monroe (Sc# 810), and 25¢ Bay Bridge Airmail Sc# C36 x 2) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage paying a double-weight, one-ounce (1 oz.) International Registered Air Mail Registered letter to South Korea. Brown paper residue of a brown native paper attempted delivery Post Office facing slip can be seen where it was attached at the lower left corner. The two-line purple Kanji Korean Auxiliary Handstamp located above the U.S. red-violet "Registered" box indicates the dates of "attempted delivery."





REDWOOD CITY, CALIF. DEC 20 1954 TO CHINHAE, KOREA

The stamps are tied by a 19mm x 28mm double-oval blind killer. The cover bears the following back stamps: (A.) two red-violet 30mm double-circle "REDWOOD CITY, CALIF., STA A., DEC 20 1954" mailing office cancels; (B.) "REDWOOD CITY, CALIF., DEC 21, 1954 transit cancel; (C.) an EXTREMELY RARE purple Seoul HIBISCUS 904 postal clerk chop; (D.) Twelve-comb bisected double-circle International "SEOUL, KOREA, 25. 12. 1954," transit receiving cancel, and,(E.) Nippon Philatelic Soc. #730. The cover bears a purple "Chin Hae" auxiliary two-line handstamp "Attempted Delivery Notice" on 1955.1.13 and 1955.1.15."

## "\$1.11 Rate"

6¢ (3¢ x 20z.) First-Class, Letter Surface Rate\*, plus \*July 6, 1932, thru July 31, 1958 \$1.05 Registry Fee\*\* (\$200 to \$300 Indemnity) = \$1.11 \*'January 1, 1952, thru June 30, 1957.

> 1¢ George Washington (Sc#804), 10¢ John Tyler (Sc# 815), plus \$1 Woodrow Wilson (Sc# 832) Combination Usage

This business-to-business cover demonstrates a combination usage for a single-weight, one ounce (1 oz.) domestic letter with \$200 to \$300 indemnity fee.



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# MARATHON, FLA. DEC 15 1952 TO KEY WEST, FLA.

The stamps are tied by a 18mm target killer while the cover has four (4) red-violet 30mm double-circle back stamps as follows: three "MARATHON, FLA. DEC 15 1952" mailing office cancels and one (1) "KEY WEST, FLA., DEC 15 1952," receiving office cancel.

## "\$1.18 Rate"

3¢ (1 oz.) First-Class, Letter Surface Rate\* \*July 6, 1932, thru July 31, 1958 \$1.15 Registry Service Fee\*\* (\$600.01 to \$700.00 Indemnity) = \$1.18) "October 1, 1946, thru December 31, 1948

> 10¢ John Tyler (Sc# 815), 4¢ James Madison (Sc# 808 - pair), plus \$1 Woodrow Wilson (Sc# 832) **Combination** Usage

This business-to-business cover demonstrates a combination usage for a high-value, oneone ounce (1 oz.) domestic registered letter, with \$600.01 to \$700.00 indemnity.

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NEW YORK, N.Y. DEC 23 1947 TO LITITZ, PA.

The stamps are tied by a 22mm W x 20 Hmm double-oval blind killer while the cover bears three (3) red-purple 28mm double-circle back stamps including: two (2)"NEW YORK, N.Y., CHURCH STREET STA. DEC 22 1947" mailing office cancels and one (1)"LITITZ, PA. REGISTERED DEC 23 1947" receiving office cancellation.

### "\$1.20 Rate"

\$1.20 (40¢ x 1/2oz.) Quadruple FAM Air Mail Rate to Brazil December 1, 1937 until March 31, 1945.

> 30¢ Theodore Roosevelt (Sc# 830 x 4) Multiple Usage

This cover demonstrates a multiple usage paying a quadruple-weight, two ounce FAM contract air mail rate from Miami to Brazil.

The cover bears evidence of N.Y. Censor Station Inspection and Censor# 7957 tape closure.

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# RIO DE JANIERO, BRAZIL

The stamps are tied by a 30mm duplex circular datestamp with eight-bar 13mm W x 33mm H Grid Killer with Annex initials (C.A.) in the center. The cover bears two Brazilian backstamp receiving cancels. "1.20 Rate"

1.20¢ (6 oz.\*) Air Service for "Other Articles" (AO) Rate,\* South America (\*Tier 2: each 2 oz. ≥ 20¢) "July 1, 1961, through April 30, 1967 OVERPAID BY TWO CENTS.

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4½¢ White House (Sc# 809 x 22), 1¢ George Washington Liberty Issue (Sc# 1054 x 2), plus 20¢ Monticello Liberty Issue (Sc# 1047) Combination Usage

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This cover demonstrates a combination usage for a multi-weight, six-ounce, second class (AO) airmail letter rate to Brazil.

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The phrase "Other Articles," or "Autre Objets," in French, or AO for short, was a catchall for commercial paper's, printed matter (like catalogues), samples of merchandise, and other small packages. Prior to May 1, 1949 it was possible to mail other articles by airmail only at full letter rate; after that date, a two-tiered rate was introduced. One rate was for the first two ounces, the second for any additional woo ounces or part thereof the item weighed.



## "\$1.20 Rate"

\$1.20 (15¢ x ½ oz.) 8 oz. European Airmail Rate" "November 1, 1946, through April 30, 1967

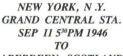
> \$1 Woodrow Wilson (Sc# 832), plus 20¢ Transport Issue (Sc# C29) Combination Usage

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This business-to-business cover demonstrates a combination usage for an eight-ounce (8 oz.) International Air Mail Letter to Europe.

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# ABERDEEN, SCOTLAND

The stamps are cancelled by a black 30 mm duplex circular date stamp with a 13mm  $W \times 33mm H$  eight-bar grid killer, with postal station initials in the center of the grid.



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"\$1.20 Rate"

15¢ (1/2 oz. x 8) 4oz. International Airmail, Letter Rate\* "November 1, 1946, through April 30, 1967

> 10¢Pan Am Building (Sc# C34 x 2), plus \$1 Woodrow Wilson (Sc# 832) Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage for a four-ounce Airmail International letter to France. NEW YORK, ANSONIA STA., N. Y. JAN 9 12M 1952 TO PARIS, FRANCE

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The stamps are tied by a 30mm duplex circular date stamp with eightbar numerical killer. "\$1.26 Rate"\* (1½¢-per-2oz.) International Printed Matter & Commercial Paper, Surface Rate\* \*April 1, 1932, through October 30, 1953 SAINT LOUIS, MO. ~ OCT 16 1947 ~ to ~ KREFELD, GERMANY



## "\$1.40 Rate"

\$1.20 (30¢l<sup>1</sup>/2oz. x 4) European Air Mail Rate\* plus \*April 28, 1939 until October 31, 1946
20¢ International Registry Fee (Indemnity \$9.65)\*\* \*\*February 1, 1945 thru December 31, 1948

> 10¢ John Tyler (Sc# 815), plus 50¢ William Howard Taft (Sc# 831 pair), 30¢ Transport Issue (Sc# C30) Combination Usage

This business-to-business cover demonstrates a combination usage for a quadruple rate, two (2 oz.) ounce, foreign registered air mail letter.

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**Back Stamps** 



# FLUSHING, N. Y. JUL 9 1946 TO PRAGUE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA

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The stamps are tied by a 30mm W x 23mm H double-oval blind Killer while the cover bears two red-violet 28mm double-circle back stamps at "FUUSHING, N.Y. JACKSON HEIGHTS STA. REGISTERED JUL 9 1946" mailing station cancels and one 30mm W black double oval "NEW YORK, N.Y., REG'Y DIV. 7-9 1946" transit cancel.



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NEW YORK, N.Y. Church Street Sta. MAR 25, 1948 TO ZURICH, SWITZLAND

The stamps were cancelled with a 19mm x 27mm double-oval silent killer, while the cover is back stamped with: (A.) three (3) red-purple 30mm double-circle "NEW YORK, N. Y., CHURCH STREET STA. MAY 25 1948" mailing station cancellations, plus; (B.) one (1) BLACK 30MM X 25MM double-coval "NEW YORK. N.Y. REG'Y DIV. 3-25-1948" transit cancel, and; a (C.) 28mm bi-sected circle"ZURICH BREIFAUSGABSE,/+/18.IV. 48-2.// VIII." receiving cancellation.

\$1.50 (15¢-per-1/2 oz. x 5 oz.) EUA Airmail, Letter, Switzerland \*November 1, 1946, thru April 30, 1967 20¢ International Registration Fee\*\* (50 Franc or \$9.65 Indemnity) "February 1, 1945, thru December 30, 1948.

5¢ & X¢ Reprints, Type A1 &A2 (Sc# 948 A&B x 10), plus 4¢ James Madison (Sc# 808), and 16¢ Abraham Lincoln (Sc# 821) **Combination Usage** 

This cover demonstrates a combination usage paying the ten, one-half-ounce, (or 502, full ounce) ten-time European Registered Air Mail Letter Rate to Switzerland.

## "\$2.01 Rate"

The portion of a wrapper below demonstrates a combination usage for a highvalue package. Mailing possibilities for this rate could have only included the following two rate possibilities, based on postage and handstamp used:

> (Most logical because it included Indemity! \$1.26¢ (.03¢ x 42 lbs.) 1st Class Postage\*, plus \*July 6, 1932, through July 31, 1958 75¢ Registry Service (50.<sup>01</sup> tosfd \$75.<sup>60</sup>) = \$2.01 \*\*January 1, 1952, through June 30, 1957

~ OR ~ (Why pay this much postage and not include Insurance? Not logical.) \$1.71¢ (.03¢ x 70 lbs.) 1st Class Postage\*, plus \*July 6, 1932, through July 31, 1958 **30¢ Registry Service** (No indemnity) = \$2.01 \*\*January 1, 1952, through June 30, 1957

<u>Note</u>: Postage Rate did not match any other 1st Class, 3rd Class, or 4<sup>th</sup>Class Rate, with or without Insurance included.

> \$1 Woodrow Wilson (Sc# 832 x 2), plus 1¢ George Washington (Sc# 804) Combination Usage





Although an RAF station, it hosts United States Air Force units and personnel. The host wing is the 48th Fighter Wing (48 FW), also known as the Liberty Wing, assigned to United States Air Forces in Europe - Air Forces Africa (USAFE-AFAFRICA).

Lakenheath Airfield was used by RAF flying units on detachment late in 1941. The station soon functioned as a Mildenhall satellite with Short Stirling bombers of No. 149 Squadron RAF dispersed from the parent airfield as conditions allowed. The squadron exchanged its Vickers Wellingtons for Stirlings late in during November 1941. After becoming fully operational with its new aircraft, the squadron moved into Lakenheath on 6 April 1942 and remained until mid 1944 when the squadron moved to RAF Methwold.

## ARMY-AIR FOR POSTAL SERVICE APO 179 (RAF LAKENHEATH, SUFFOLK, ENGLAND) effective 10-20-1950 re-designated Zip Code 09179 in 1965 11 JUL 1956

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# UNKNOWN

The stamps are tied to the piece by a black 30mm W standard issue military APO duplex circular date with four bar killer, the bar being about 25mm L x 3mmT, spaced 4mm apart with one end concave at c.d.s. side.

"\$2.25 Rate"

\$2.25 (45¢ x <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> oz.) 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> oz. European Airmail Rate\* "January 15, 1945, through September 30, 1946.

> \$1 Woodrow Wilson (Sc# 832 x 2), 20¢ Transport Issue (Sc# C29), plus 5¢ James Monroe (Sc# 810) Combination Usage

This business-to-business cover demonstrates a combination usage for a five-time (2½ oz.) International Air Mail Letter Rate to Europe.

The cover was opened, censored and resealed by the "Territory of Hawaii Military Authority Censor 258."



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# HILO, TERR. of HAWAII APR 9 11 AM 1945 TO ABERDEEN, SCOTLAND

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The stamps are tied by a combination of an International Postal Supply Company machine cancellation and 30mm duplex circular date stamp with a 13mm W x 33mm H eight-bar grid killer, with numerical in the center of the grid.

## "\$3.ª Rate"

\$3.44 (Single pc 5¢/lb. @ <u>70lb</u>.) Fourth-Class, Books, Etc., Single Piece August 1, 1958, through January 6, 1963

## 25¢ William McKinley (Sc# 829 x 8), 50¢ Susan B. Anthony ~ Liberty Issue (Sc# 1051a), plus 10¢ John Tyler (Sc# 810 x 11) Combination Usage

#### This wrapper demonstrates a combination usage paying the Fourth-Class Book Rate. Seventy (70) pounds was the <u>maximum</u> mailing weight for any mailing class at that time.



# CLAREMONT, CALIF. (1) to Unknown

The stamps were cancelled with an 18mm W x 65mm L Package Roller Cancellation Device. The self-inking band provided the Post Office "Name", "State", and "Device Number."

#### "\$6.57 Rate"

\$6.57 (First 1/2 oz. @ 15¢, plus 83 oz. @ 7.7¢ ea. add'l = 5.25lb) International Air Parcel Post to Belgium \*October 1, 1946, through August 1, 1958

> 5¢ James Monroe (Sc# 810) 25¢ William McKinley (Sc# 829 x 2) 2¢ John Adams (Sc# 806), plus \$1 Woodrow Wilson (Sc# 832 x 6), plus Combination Usage

This parcel tag demonstrates a combination usage for a 5lb. 15oz. International Air Mail Parcel Post package, with International Parcel Post Customs Declaration Tag (Form 2922).



NEW YORK, N. Y. CHURCH STREET STA. DEC 3 730PM 1953 TO

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM.

The stamps are cancelled by a 30mm duplex circular date stamp with eight-bar 13mmW x 33mmH elliptical grid killer.

### "9.21¢ Rate"\*

(\$7.50 (.03¢ x 15.75 lbs.) Postage, plus \$1.65 Registry Indemnity Fee (\$800 to \$900) = \$9.21) \*November 1, 1946, through June 30, 1957

> \$1 Woodrow Wilson (Sc# 832c x 9), 20¢ James A. Garfield (Sc# 825), 1¢ George Washington (Sc# 804) Combination Usage ~~~

This bank tag demonstrates a Prexie combination usage for a highweight registered mail to the St. Louis Federal Reserve.





SEDALIA, MO. DEC 30, 1955 TO ST. LOUIS, MO.

The stamps are cancelled by a 35mm W x 25H mm double-oval dumb killer; while the Tag bears three (3) red-purple 30mm double-circle stamps: "SEDALIA, MO., DEC 30 1955" and one (1) stamp on the front of the tag.

#### "13.02 Rate"\*

(\$9.00 (.03¢ x 18.75 lbs.) Postage, plus \$4.02 Registry with Surcharge Indemnity Fee (\$ 41,000.<sup>00</sup>) = \$13.02) \*January 1, 1952, through July 31, 1958

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\$ 1.ºº Woodrow Wilson (Sc# 832 x 12), 50¢ William Howard Taft (Sc# 831 x 2) 1¢ George Washington (Sc# 804 x 2) Combination Usage

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This mailing tag demonstrates a combination usage for high-weight, registered mail, with a declared value of \$41,000.



Tag Front Showing Registry Number #21,378, Declared Value 41M, Mailing & Receiving Post Office Cancels.



Tag Reverse Showing Payment of Postage and Fees, with Mailing Post Office Cancellations.

# BURLINGTON, VT. NOV 17 1954 TO BOSTON, MA.

The stamps are cancelled by a 31mm red-violet 'BURLINGTON, VT. NOV 17, 1954' double circle mailing post office station cancel, while the front of the tag has a 33mm red-violet 'FEDERAL RESERVE STA. NOV 18 1954 BOSTON MASS." double circle circular date stamp receiving post office station cancellation.