

# The *Perfins* Bulletin

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## THE 1979 HALLOCK CARD AWARD GOES TO JOE AND DOROTHY BALOUGH



The 1979 Hallock Card Award for outstanding contributions to perfins philately has been presented to Joe and Dorothy Balough of El Paso, Texas.

The Baloughs are the first husband and wife team ever to receive the award.

Joe and Dorothy were honored not just for their joint efforts on the United States Perfins Catalog, but also for their long-time contributions to the Perfins Club and to perfins philately.

Joe is a former president of the Perfins Club and currently serves as the club's U. S. catalog chairman. Dorothy is a former auction chairperson and has worked beside her husband on a variety of projects over the years. The Baloughs are also active in Texas philatelic circles. Joe is a former president of the Texas Philatelic Association.

Joe Balough joined the Perfins Club in 1962 and Dorothy officially became a family member in 1971.

Join us in saluting Joe and Dorothy Balough.

## A NEW SECRETARY, A NEW EDITOR, AND THE SAME OLD TREASURER

November and December were busy months in the Perfins Club. That's when we dropped the organization chart and it broke all to pieces.

Here's the new lineup.

Ray Crow, who had been *Bulletin* editor for five years, turned in his resignation. It was regretfully accepted. Ray has done a superb job and will be missed.

Floyd Walker, who had served as secretary since 1975, has moved into the editor's slot to replace Crow.

John Needham of Garden Grove, CA, has been appointed secretary to replace Walker.

Needham's and Walker's appointments were approved by the Executive Committee in mid-December. Walker will continue as club librarian in addition to being editor. Needham will serve out the rest of Walker's term as secretary and then choose whether to seek election to the office on his own.

Amidst all this, treasurer Jack Gooding was re-elected to another three-year term. Jack has been treasurer since 1973.

## SO, STARTING NOW, DUES PAYMENTS

and all inquiries concerning your membership--and all address changes--should be sent to the new secretary: John L. Needham, 9801 Dewey Drive, Garden Grove, CA 92641.

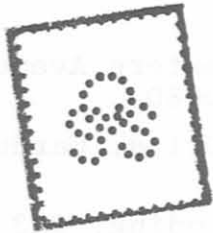
And anything pertaining to the *Perfins Bulletin* should go to the new editor: Floyd A. Walker, Box 82, Grandview, MO 64030.

## THE EDITOR'S JOB ISN'T NEW TO WALKER,

who served as editor from 1971 to 1975. Floyd (who often refers to himself in the third person or as "we" when he writes in the *Bulletin*) is also editor of employee publications for The Bendix Corporation in Kansas City, MO.

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## START YOUR YEAR WITH A NEW PERFIN



The Oregon Stamp Society has purchased a perforator from Baddeley Brothers in London and the new pattern, shown at left, will officially be presented to collectors on January 19, 1980. The perfin will see its first use on a limited edition cacheted cover struck with the special Portland Zoo Railroad cancel. The date coincides with the mailing of the Oregon Stamp Society's monthly publication, *The Album Page*. The covers are available for \$1 each, postpaid, from the Oregon Stamp Society, Box 2121, Portland, OR 97202.

After January 19, the OSS perfin will be used only for mailing *The Album Page*, so if you're not an OSS member, the pattern may be a little hard to come by.

You can become an OSS member, of course. Write John White (708 NW Wallula Avenue, Gresham, OR 97030) for an application blank. John is president of the OSS; he is also a member of the Perfins Club.

The illustration of the new perfin, incidentally, is a fake. John White and editor Harold Peterson generously provided a paper-perf copy of the new perfin and we put together the illustration from that and an unperfed stamp. The first stamps honestly aren't slated to be perforated until time for the first day of use!

WE HOPE YOU LIKE THE NEW LOOK OF THE *BULLETIN*

We've done a number of readability studies and we rather like the "open" layout used here. We'd like to hear from you, though, since you're the ones we're trying to please.

Next month's *Bulletin* will carry the new membership roster, which will be complete through the first of December. We're trying to complete the roster before we ship the Club records off to John Needham, but it takes a while to type, edit, and retype the roster now that our membership is approaching the 750 mark.

And if this issue of the *Bulletin* is a little redundant, please accept our apologies. We're putting this issue together before we see Ray's November/December issue. We hope to stay a little ahead so the *Bulletin* will go into the mail the first week of the month or perhaps a little before.

In the meantime, let us know what you'd like to see in the *Bulletin*. Better yet, write an article for us. We need all the help we can get!

IN CASE ALL THAT ORGANIZATIONAL SHUFFLING ON PAGE 2

got you confused, here's a list of the current officers and committee heads of the Perfins Club.

*President:* David C. Stump, 170 Steeplechase Road,  
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Palma, CA 90623

Feel free to drop a note to any of these folks if you need any help. One note: Dave Stump is in Florida (sunning it up on the Keys!) until April, so don't expect a speedy reply. Mail will still reach him through his home address.

WE CONTINUE TO GROW!

The Perfins Club had 735 members as of December 1, including a dozen new members enrolled during November.

CLOSED ALBUMS: C. Wesley Quinn #157-L

C. Wesley Quinn, who became a member of the Perfins Club in 1952, died October 20 in Howell, MI. Quinn was 75.

WORK ON DANISH PERFINS CATALOG CONTINUES IN COPENHAGEN

The coordinator of the Danish catalog project currently under way in Copenhagen, Peter Englebrecht, has asked for the assistance of Perfins Club members in locating Danish stamps bearing the perfins shown below. These patterns were reported in earlier lists but their existence has never been confirmed with a stamp.

Please check your Danish collections and if you find any of these patterns, please contact Englebrecht at 11 Hindballevej 11, DK 5466, Asperup, Denmark. Peter will need to borrow the stamp so he can photograph it for the catalog. The numbers below each pattern may be used for ease in corresponding about that pattern.

The Danish group is also interested in examples of perfins on Danish Christmas seals, railway stamps, and revenues. If you have any examples of such items, please contact Peter.

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FROM OUT OF THE PAST COME SOME "OLDIES" THAT ARE STILL "GOODIES"

We recently received a box of publications from President Dave Stump and we're offering them here for the benefit of those of you who might like some background material. These were all published in the *Bulletin* some years ago when Dave was secretary/treasurer/editor/jack-of-all-perfins. When he printed issues of the *Bulletin* (on a mimeograph) he often ran extra copies of the articles for the files. These are leftovers from the Bulletin of the 1950s and 1960s.

REQUESTED  
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- DS-1 *Perfins from Puerto Rico* (1 page)
- DS-2 *Finland* (3 pages)
- DS-3 *International Harvester Company Perfins Used on Foreign Stamps* (1 page)
- DS-4 *Classifying Perfins According to Position Punched in Stamp* (1 page)
- DS-5 *Perforating Machines and Their Product* (1 page)
- DS-6 *Canal Zone Official Perfins* (4 pages)
- DS-7 *The Last Czech Perfin* (1 page)
- DS-8 *Perfins of the City of Dublin* (2 pages)
- DS-9 *The Story Behind a Perfin--The ARI of Canada and the United States* (1 page)
- DS-10 *Perfins from Transvaal and Orange River Colony* (1 page)
- DS-11 *Identical Perfin Designs on Stamps of United States and Canada* (4 pages)
- DS-12 *United States Perfins used by Oil and Refining Companies* (5 pages)
- DS-13 *Perfins of Norway* (4 pages)
- DS-14 *Perfins of Greece* (1 page)
- DS-15 *The Perfins of Great Britain* (4 pages)

We'll mail copies of any of these to members who will send along 5¢ a page to cover the cost of the postage. We'd prefer that you send stamps (US or Canadian) in payment since it simplifies the bookkeeping. If you send along a stamped, addressed envelope, we'll fill your order the same day it arrives. Please use the code number when ordering so we can find what you need quickly. Send orders to Floyd A. Walker, Box 82, Grandview, MO 64030

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THE SACRAMENTO (CALIFORNIA) BEE

devoted most of its stamp column to perfins on November 11. Stamps editor James Martin wrote about the hobby in general and about the Perfins Club in particular. Source for the story? None other than our vice president, Dot Savage, of course. Dorothy never misses a chance to keep the Club before the collecting public, which is one of the main reasons our membership keeps on growing.

**HOLE CHATTER** by U. S. Catalog Chairman Joe Balough

The past few weeks have been very busy. Catalogs are being mailed out weekly. Hopefully, one of these days I'll get my garage back.

If you haven't ordered your U. S. Catalog yet, send your check for \$25 to treasurer Jack Gooding (923 North Anita Avenue, Gonzales, LA 70737). It really does save time if you send your check direct to Jack instead of to me since Jack keeps the books and calls the shots on who gets a catalog.

Many of you have sent in items of information for verification, but some of you are not checking all the catalog before you write me. The appendix is a very important part of the catalog; it contains considerable information not in the main catalog. Be sure you check the appendix before you give up on your search.

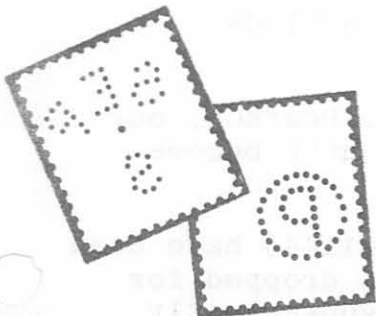
We're getting ready for the 1980 Perfins Club show here in El Paso. The dates are June 20 through 22 and we have a good time planned for you. If you plan to exhibit (and I hope many of you will) write me today for a prospectus. We have only a limited number of frames available and it is, of course, first come first served. I can also assist with hotel reservations. The Hilton Inn, the exhibit and convention site, is within walking distance of the airport. Write me at 9108 McFall Drive, El Paso, TX 79925.

Back on the subject of the catalog again...we do have blank pages to match the catalog pages. They're \$7.50 per hundred postpaid or 8¢ each in any quantity but you pay the postage.

And one final comment on the catalog. It won a large gold medal at SESCAL. Dorothy and I are particularly proud of that and I hope you are too. We have also entered the catalog in the London and Oslo shows.

IF YOU DON'T HAVE THE TWO PERFINS SHOWN HERE,

send a stamped self-addressed envelope to Floyd Walker, Box 82, Grandview, MO 64030, and he'll send you one of each. The P-in-a-circle pattern is on a stamp of Czechoslovakia and is the official perfin of the Czech Perfins Club. The SEP/S pattern is on a U. S. stamp but it is the pattern of the Security Endorsement and Perfins Society of Great Britain. SEP/S perfins are found on the stamps of several countries in which members live.



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Mistretta, P A  
326 Choctaw Dr  
Pineville LA 71360

A DOZEN NEW MEMBERS, TWO NEW LIFERS, AND A PAIR OF REINSTATEMENTS

SECRETARY'S  
REPORT

Join in welcoming these newcomers to the Club. It would be neighborly to pick out one or two (maybe someone who lives nearby) and welcome them with a packet of your spare perfins.

- 1825 William Gersch, 4918 Sauquoit Lane, Annandale, VA 22003 (collects worldwide)
- 1826 John Dunderdale, Box 1034, Gimli, Manitoba ROC 1B0 (collects Canada; sponsored by Al Pearson)
- 1827 Lawrence F. Laura, 3702 SW 60th Terrace, Davie, FL 33314 (collects worldwide)
- 1828 R. G. Teed, 415 110th Street, Saskatoon, Sask S7N 1S6 (collects worldwide; sponsored by Al Pearson)
- 1829 Ronald G. Carr, 60 Robinhood Road, Pittsburg, PA 15220 (beginner)
- 1830 Manfred E. Kinkel, Wuppertalstr 73, 31 Leverkusen D-5090 West Germany (German specialist)
- 1831 Kazuma Oyama, 38 Lauone Loop, Wahiawa, HI 96786 (collects worldwide)
- 1832 Kenneth E. Rieck, 1604 - 1501 Haro Street, Vancouver, BC V6G 1G4 (collects railroads)
- 1833 Elizabeth M. Loreth, 6840 13th Avenue North, St. Petersburg, FL 33710 (collects worldwide; sponsored by Robert J. Murrin)
- 1834 Christian C. Rueger, Rotbuchenstrasse 4, 60 Nuernberg D-8500 West Germany (German)
- 1835 William N. DeLear, 775 Union Boulevard, Totowa Boro, NJ 07512 (beginner)
- 1836 Allen G. Wingett, Box 2084, Salem, OR 97308 (beginner)

Allen L. Brock (formerly #1254) and Al N. Pearson, our Canadian representative (formerly #1445) have become Life Members #64 and #65, respectively.

Peter J. Kent (#1437) and R. W. Worley (#1144) have been reinstated to full membership. Both were dropped for non-payment of dues in October but have subsequently paid their dues in full.



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## GREAT IDEAS OFTEN STRIKE IN MORE THAN ONE PLACE AT THE SAME TIME

And that is precisely what happened in the case of the Canadian perfins catalog.

Collectors have long needed a new guide to Canadian perfins. The last such guide was published in 1967 and has long been out of print. The Perfins Club saw the need, but the U. S. catalog took first priority. Once the U. S. catalog was complete, the Canadian question arose again and a decision was made to publish a Canadian volume along lines similar to the U. S. volume.

At almost precisely the same moment as that decision was made (announcements actually crossed in the mail), a group of Canadian collectors headed by Michael Dicketts (#1440) and Jonathan Johnson (LM-28) reactivated the Canadian Perfins Study Group of the British North American Philatelic Society (BNAPS) and launched their own plans to publish a Canadian catalog.

The Canadian decision is welcome news. We applaud Dicketts and Johnson and their fellow collectors for taking on the task. The Perfins Club gladly steps aside and pledges full support to them. Joe Balough, who had been picked to coordinate the Canadian effort for the Perfins Club, has promised full cooperation with the Canadian effort.

## IN THE MEANTIME, A REPRINT OF THE OLD CANADIAN HANDBOOK

has been ordered and copies are available postpaid for \$4.50 each (in Canadian funds) from Jonathan Johnson, Box 6118, Station D, Calgary, Alberta T2P 2C7 Canada.

## INFORMATION ON THE CANADIAN PERFINS STUDY GROUP

is available from Michael Dicketts, 61 Alwington Avenue, Kingston, Ontario K7L 4R4. We understand that membership in BNAPS is required for membership in the group, but perhaps an alternative membership can be worked out. The group planned to issue its first newsletter in January.

## MEMBERS HAVE OVERWHELMINGLY APPROVED AN AMENDMENT TO THE BYLAWS

which sets the life membership fee at 15 times the annual fee, which means that life membership in the Club will now cost you \$75...still a super buy for the serious collector. The official tally on the referendum was 119 for and 5 against. Balloting ended on January 1.

## DON'T FORGET TO SEND YOUR DUES PAYMENTS, ADDRESS CHANGES,

and other official business to John Needham, 9801 Dewey Drive, Garden Grove, CA 92641. Needham became secretary on January 1.

Annual dues are now \$5 and members may pay as many years in advance as they wish. Checks and money orders should be made payable to The Perfins Club.

## FLOYD WALKER IS STILL LIBRARIAN

as well as editor now, and he's anxious to make sure that members make the best possible use of the library. Every member has been sent a copy of the library list, but if you've misplaced yours, write Floyd and he'll send you a new one. Postage appreciated, of course.

## SALES REVENUES ARE UP FOR THE LAST HALF OF 1979

Sales Manager's  
Report

Sales manager Ivan Ley reports that sales of perfins during the last half of 1979 rose by slightly more than 18 percent. Sales totalled \$3296.15, of which \$2529.90 came from the Bartleson collection.

A breakdown of sales shows that \$1399.44 came from booklets, \$822.90 came from envelopes of U. S. D and E rated perfins, and \$1073.81 came from envelopes of foreign perfins.

## CLOSED ALBUMS: Grace M. Stiles #1363

We're saddened by the loss of Grace Stiles, who died on November 24. Her membership is being assumed by her husband, Everett, who had been a family member and who has decided to continue his wife's perfins collection.

Where

we

live

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what

we

collect

The Perfins Club is now nearly 750 members strong...the largest we have ever been.

The names and addresses of our current members are listed on the following pages, along with the collecting interests of some of them.

Please do your secretary, and your editor, a favor by checking your listing. If you find an error, drop a note to the secretary so he can check the records and find out if there is an error on your permanent record or if your editor just made a typo. We'll clarify serious errors in future issues.

Now, for your added convenience, here's a list of the current officers and committee chairmen of the Perfins Club.

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ALL address changes and dues payments should be sent to the secretary. The secretary will notify the editor and others who need to have your new address; there is no need to notify anyone other than the secretary.

KNOW SOMEONE INTERESTED IN PERFINS? Send their name and address to Vice President Dorothy Savage and she'll make sure they get an invitation to join the Club.

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 1625 JENKINS, John C., 12 Pavilion Place, Hampton, VA 23664  
 23-L JENSEN, Miss Lillian, Box 294, Schaller, IA 51053  
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 1172 JOHNSON, Frank J., 5541 Thomas Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55410  
 1476 JOHNSON, Jean Joan, 210 West Third Street, Streator, IL 61364  
 LM-28 JOHNSON, Jonathan C., Box 6118, Station D, Calgary, Alberta T2P 2C7 CANADA  
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 1394 KESSLER, Louis H., 2500 Belmont Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19131  
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- 1640 LAFLEUR, Jean-Guy, 6273 Vorlage Drive, Orleans, Ontario K1C 2E4 CANADA  
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705 LEY, Ivan H., Arena, WI 53503  
1587 LIENTZ, Shannon D. Jr., 621 Horsepen Road, Richmond, VA 23229  
1549 LIFSHIN, Arthur, 66-37 Yellowstone Boulevard, Forest Hills, NY 11373  
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1263 MACBRIDE, Evan, Box 13128, Sacramento, CA 95813  
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1203 MAEDA, Hiroshi, 12-banchi, Minami, 14-chome, Nishi 14-jo Obihiro-shi JAPAN  
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1231 MAJCHER, Walter j., Box 14744, Austin, TX 78761  
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896 MARQUIS, Thomas V., 420 South Highland Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90036  
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1765 MARVIN, Arthur J., RD 2, Princeton Avenue, Williamsport, PA 17701  
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LM-49 MATTHEW, Richard D., c/o D. Parks, 7453 Cariboo Road, Burnaby, BC V3N 4A8  
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1015 MAYER, Paul N., Wallanstr 101, 6500 Mainz 1 WEST GERMANY  
1221 MCCABE, FRANCIS R., 9656 SE Ramona, Portland, OR 97266  
271 MCCALLUM, William R., 15 Hamilton Avenue, Silver Springs, MD 20901  
1787 MCDERMOTT, Vincent C., 3302 Patrick Henry Drive, Falls Church, VA 22044  
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## WHAT WE COLLECT: A GUIDE TO THE COLLECTING SPECIALITIES OF OUR MEMBERS

Members who have expressed a particular perfin specialty are listed here. We have not listed members who collect "worldwide" or who collect United States because to do so would be virtually to repeat the membership roster.

If you find someone here with an interest similar to yours, drop him or her a line. It's a good way to get to meet someone and perhaps learn something about your own specialty.

ARGENTINA	LM-61	Bose	CANADA	1823	Pawlucki
AUSTRALIA	1584	Amiet	LM-65	Pearson	
AND	1572	Christiansen	1683	Pinchen	
STATES	1334	Cox	1648	Riendeau	
	1759	Hopper	1716	Rubec	
	LM-22	Pocock	1115	Smith	
	720	Purcell	1264	Sonnichsen	
			1723	Ward	
AUSTRIA	1685	Cary	1427	Watmough	
	861	Moore	1460	White	
	LM-41	Needham	717	White	
	1558	Welch	1101	Whitehead	
BELGIUM	1684	DeLisle	CEYLON	1442	Ozeki
BRAZIL	1662	Bergstrom	CINDERELLAS	1109	Bergman
BRITISH EMPIRE	1361	Lazo		1251	Sassaman
	1449	Leen		849	Walker
	1246	Sidaway	CZECHOSLOVAKIA	933	Maxa
	1434	Siddaway	DENMARK	LM-55	Blackburn
CANADA	1177	Ball		1234	Bladorn
	1435	Barclay		1469	Bro
	1663	Burger		1741	Engelbrecht
	1811	Clarkson		1680	Hunewell
	1820	Cormier		849	Walker
	1349	Dalpe	FINLAND	LM-4	Dehli
	1656	Davis	FRANCE	1452	Baker
	1440	Dicketts		1374	Cyprien
	1642	Eberhardt	GERMANY	1770	Behrendt
	1699	Fraser		977	Bradshaw
	1505	Hanes		1685	Cary
	1223	Harding		LM-33	Degenhart
	LM-51	Hodges		744	Gault
	LM-28	Johnson		955	Gerloff
	1559	Kinrade		1766	Gilgis
	1420	Kitchen		LM-69	Handley
	1640	LaFleur		1830	Kinkel
	1785	Levesque		1176	Larson
	1761	Lindauer		1613	Marshall
	1822	Lohman		1765	Marvin
	1418	McNey			

GERMANY	1466	McPherson	LATIN AMERICA	1124	Roy
continued	327	Meyering	LINCOLN	1834	Rueger
	1060	Nagel	MALAY STATES	1291	Bosley
	LM-41	Needham		1437	Kent
	1779	Penfold	MUSIC	1620	Moore
	1554	Putinsky		1261	Spencer
	1776	Ranner	NETHERLANDS	1495	Furneauux
	1673	Shannon		1454	Heimans
	LM-68	Soutar		1453	Hillmann
	LM-36	Stelzer		1362	Mansbach
	1335	Stich		808	Rehm
	519	Stuntzner		1692	Smetsers
	1694	Stutsman	NEW ZEALAND	LM-53	Rutherford
	1558	Welch	NORWAY	LM-4	Dehli
GREAT BRITAIN	1435	Barclay	OFFICIALS	1177	Ball
	1227	Bock	PRECANCELS	629	Allen
	1441	Goff		1816	Anderson
	1072	Ingram		1008	Baecker
	1449	Leen		1016	Behrens
	1549	Lifshin		1049	Blaser
	1203	Maeda		LM-25	Cummings
	900	McKee		1206	Fieber
	1818	Ottenheimer		LM-52	Gabrielan
	1217	Powell		1423	Kraybill
	1224	Romaine		1136	Nelson
	LM-53	Rutherford		960	Noble
	1673	Shannon		1628	Pangburn
	1485	Spivak		1514	Smith
	LM-7	Tilles	RAILROADS	1734	Acanfora
GUATEMALA	1822	Lohman		918	Burkhalter
HONG KONG	1442	Ozeki		1407	Doyle
	1823	Pawlucki		1589	Ekman
HUNGARY	1118	Blinn		1724	Fischer
	1104	Malyon		1561	Fountain
	1689	Moriarty		821	Grandy
IRELAND	899	Blessington		80-L	Gray
	1822	Lohman		1498	Gruenzer
	LM-60	Mewhinney		1668	Kennedy
	1585	Slattery		1782	McGraw
	1690	Swords		1605	Nalley
ITALY	744	Gault		1611	Ricker
JAPAN	1036	Adachi		1832	Rieck
	1271	Baker		1783	Saylor
	1396	Bertalanffy		1598	Sielken
	1375	Collyer		1629	Tool
	1152	Fisher		1451	Walker
	939	Groleau		1616	Wheelock
	1442	Ozeki			
	849	Walker			

REVENUES	1768	Ciconte	SPECIALIZED UNITED STATES		
	1499	Kamaka	NYC as SOTNS	1696	Yokota
	212-L	Miller	2¢ WASH 1922	1341	Yuspeh
	1295	Richerson	1908-21 W/F	1310	Weiss
ROMANIA	1546	Eros	14¢ INDIANS	1021	Wilson
	LM-67	Weirich	2¢ REDS	1400	Bickett
SCANDINAVIA	1271	Baker	STATE OF NEW JERSEY	LM-5	Jackson
	1167	Lagerwall	#319-320	1569	Berman
	1612	McKown	3¢ STUART	1481	Repeta
	849	Walker	PPIECo	LM-43	Savadge
	1308	Werner	2¢ RED WASHS	1473	Wagner
SCHERMACKS	1821	Lennox			
	LM-60	Mewhinney			
SOUTH AFRICA	1471	Koch			
SPORTS	1681	Schirmer			
SWEDEN	1109	Bergman			
	LM-4	Dehli			
SWITZERLAND	1521	Kramer			
	LM-68	Soutar			
	1335	Stich			
WORDS	849	Walker			
ZOOLOGY	505	Schwerdt			

Your specialty isn't listed? Write the editor and ask him to add it to the list. We'll update this list whenever additions or changes warrant.

#### THE CHANGE IN SECRETARIES AND THE NEW MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

##### SECRETARY'S REPORT

has messed up our reporting of new members a bit. The roster is up to date as of Christmas Day, when we officially closed out the books and packed them for shipment to John Needham. Here's the new members who were added to the roster between the report published in January and the time we typed the roster.

James P. apRoberts (#1837), Harold E. Brennan (#1838), Robert M. Santo (#1839), Ed Pica (#1840), and Kenneth J. Faulkner (#1841).

In addition, the roster shows that Terry Rowe, Jerry Owen Weirich, Gerald E. Soutar, and Ted L. Handley became Life Members 66, 67, 68, and 69, respectively. It also shows that Gaetan Guilbert (#1511) was reinstated to membership and that membership #1363 was reassigned to Everett W. Stiles.

Now that we've cleared that up, we'll try to get back on schedule next month with regular reports from John Needham. Thank you for your patience during this changeover period.

THE  
PRESIDENT  
WRITES

David C. Stump 32-L

As another year comes to a close, the Perfins Club is stronger and larger than ever. The officers and committee chairmen have all done their jobs well.

The new year finds some changes in our official family. Editor Ray Crow, who for the past five years has done an excellent job of producing an interesting *Bulletin* ten times a year, has retired. We thank him for his fine performance and we wish him the best of luck. It must be realized that our *Bulletin* is the one thing that not only distributes perfins knowledge but also binds the members closer together.

Floyd Walker, who has done such an outstanding job as secretary for the past five years as well as being our long-time librarian, will move into the editor's chair. We know he will be quite at home there because editing is his daily profession.

We welcome to the official family John L. Needham of Garden Grove, California. John has the ability to do the job--as he has clearly displayed in his work on the German catalog. We wish John the very best of luck in his new assignment.

And good luck to all of you. May 1980 and the new decade bring you the many new perfins you want for your collections.

*Dave*

*Editor's note: We apologize for being a month late with the president's traditional New Year's message. Dave mailed the note by Paquebot and it took longer than normal to get inland to Missouri. Paquebot service just ain't what it used to be.*

WE THINK THIS ISSUE OF THE *BULLETIN* IS ONE OF THE LARGEST

the club has ever had, although some of the issues of the 1950s, when the members were circulating work-sheets for the first U. S. catalog, may have been as large.

We've had some good feedback about the January issue. We hope you liked it and that you'll find this issue both attractive and useful.

Coming up next? An auction, for openers. And some reports on work being done in foreign perfins.

See you next month.

In the meantime, drop us a line so we can share your news with the rest of the members



CLIPPINGS  
FROM  
CORRESPONDENCE

BOB GARSSON (Box 507, Locust Grove, VA 22508) wants to know if anyone has come up with a program for keeping an inventory of their perfins collection on computer, preferably on disc. He's also interested in knowing if anyone owns a TRS-80 computer, or any other kind. Drop him a line if you're into bits and bytes.

ED HAACK won the grand award at LINNCOPEX, the exhibit of the Linn County Philatelic Society in Albany, Oregon. Haack showed railroad perfins on and off cover, together with postcards featuring various aspects of the railroads.

EDWARD S. HOYT has also picked up some honors. In October, Ed's two frame exhibit "An Introduction to Perfin Collecting" won a blue ribbon at the first exhibit of the Susquehanna Valley Stamp and Study Club and two weeks later took a silver medal at LEBPEX in Lebanon, PA.

MANY OF YOU were kind enough to remember us with Christmas cards and letters and we very much appreciate them. We had a very good holiday and we count among our blessings the warm friendships we have formed with collectors all over the world as a result of our involvement with the Perfins Club.

ONE OF THE MORE UNUSUAL GREETINGS to come our way during the holidays was a special cover and card from MARY CATHERINE PAGE of Winter Garden, Florida. The card bore a December 25 "mailer's postmark permit" marking from Christmas, Florida. Mailer's postmark permits are rather new on the philatelic scene, but there's already a club for collectors of them. If you'd like more information, write Mrs. Page at Box 1457, Winter Garden, FL 32787.

DAVE COOPER authored an article on perfins for the newsletter of the Nova Scotia Stamp Club. Dave reports growing interest in perfins in his part of the world.

FRANK PERRY WALKER should be back home in Arizona now after a five week trip to Australia with the U. S. Lawn Bowling Team. Frank was planning a visit with Perfins Club members down under. He's also visited New Zealand and South Africa with the lawn bowlers.

LEROY L. ROSS says he has a copy of the old (1967) U.S. Perfins Catalog he'll pass along to anyone who is interested. It's used, but if you're unable to sink \$25 into the new edition, this one might be helpful. Write Leroy at Box 12222, Denver, CO 80212.



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#### HERE'S A COUPLE OF SUGGESTIONS ABOUT USING THE NEW U. S. CATALOG

If you're using your new catalog as a combination catalog/album, you've probably had to split it up into two or more 3-ring binders to make it easier to handle.

Because the catalog is printed on both sides of the page, there aren't any convenient split points. But you can solve that problem with a good Xerox copy of a few pages.

Here's what you can do. Find the spot you want to split the volume--between the E and F sections, perhaps. Xerox page 143. Put the original page from the catalog (142-143) in the first section and use the Xerox copy of page 143 as the first page of the second section. You can split the catalog at any point using this method.

Xerox the identification pages rather than the illustration pages because it is difficult to get a really good copy of the black squares on the illustration pages. And you'll have to shop around for a Xerox (or some other brand, maybe) copier that delivers really crisp copies of the identification pages.

You can add other pages to the catalog/album by using either the pre-printed pages which match the volume (available from Joe Balough, 9108 McFall Drive, El Paso, TX 79925 for \$7.50 per hundred) or you can use any standard 8½ by 11 page you design yourself. If you have covers, or commemoratives, or blocks, or whatever, you can mount them on the pages you design and insert them anywhere you want in the catalog.

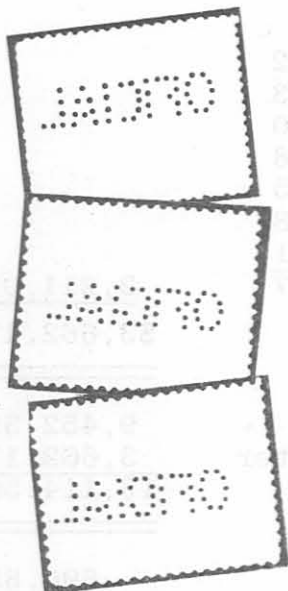
With a little imagination, you can make the new U. S. Perfins Catalog do just about anything you want.

# The *Perfins* Bulletin

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## THE OFFICIAL PERFINS OF GUATEMALA



According to the Scott catalog, the Guatemalan post office perforated the word OFICIAL into limited quantities of Guatemala 114-123, 132, 141-149, 151-153, 158, 202, 210-229, and RA2. Other stamps were handstamped with the word OFICIAL during the same period (1912-26).

Scott says the perforating was done "in blocks of four stamps at a time and was of two types." Both the perforating and the handstamping were done at the post office at Guatemala City and use of the stamps was limited to that city.

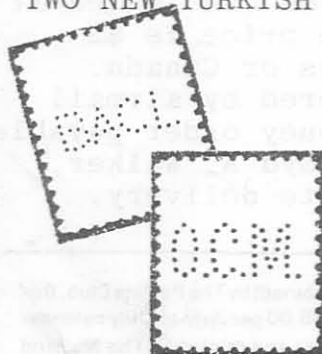
Scott, of course, leaves some unanswered questions: what were the two types, and how many stamps constitute "limited quantities?"

Our foreign catalog editor, Bob Schwerdt, has come up with the three illustrations at left--showing three "types" of the OFICIAL perfin. The differences lay in the C of the word--whether it has 7, 8, or 9 holes.

The existence of these three types poses still more questions. Is this a case of a perforator with a nine-hole C being progressively damaged? Were there three different perforators, each with a different number of pins in the C as a control measure?

Can anyone help solve the puzzle?

## TWO NEW TURKISH PATTERNS REPORTED



Vojtech Maxa, editor of *Zpravodaj Perfiny*, the bulletin of the Czechoslovak Perfins Club, has come up with two new perfins from Turkey. They are patterns not shown in the *Catalog of the Perfins of the Middle East* published by Dr. Harvey Tilles.

The BACL pattern remains unidentified, but the O.C.M. pattern has been identified as being used by the Oriental Carpet Manufacturing Company.

AUCTION 26 BEGINS ON PAGE 5. CLOSING DATE IS APRIL 15. MAIL YOUR BIDS.

## OPERATING STATEMENT FOR THE 4TH QUARTER OF 1979: J. A. Gooding, treas.

Income

Dues	\$1,199.00
Publications	50.00
Sales Books	2,358.43
Auctions	145.20
Cover Sales	7.07
Interest Income	132.53
U. S. Catalog Sales	1,981.01
Total Income	<u>\$5,873.24</u>

Expenses

Bulletin	\$1,695.22	
Secretary	171.03	
Membership	15.00	
Publications	6.98	
Foreign Catalogs	14.85	
Treasurer	59.28	
U. S. Catalog	248.71	
Total Expenses	<u>\$2,211.07</u>	<u>2,211.07</u>

Income in excess of expense \$3,662.17

Total cash in banks, last report 9,452.39  
 Income in excess of expense, 4th quarter 3,662.17  
 Total cash to account for 13,114.56

Cash in bank checking account 696.85  
 Cash in savings (operating funds) 8,186.89  
 Cash in savings (life memberships) 681.86  
 Cash in long term bonds (life memberships) 3,548.96  
 Total cash in banks 13,114.56

## A PERFINS CLUB PIN WILL LET OTHER COLLECTORS KNOW WHO YOU ARE

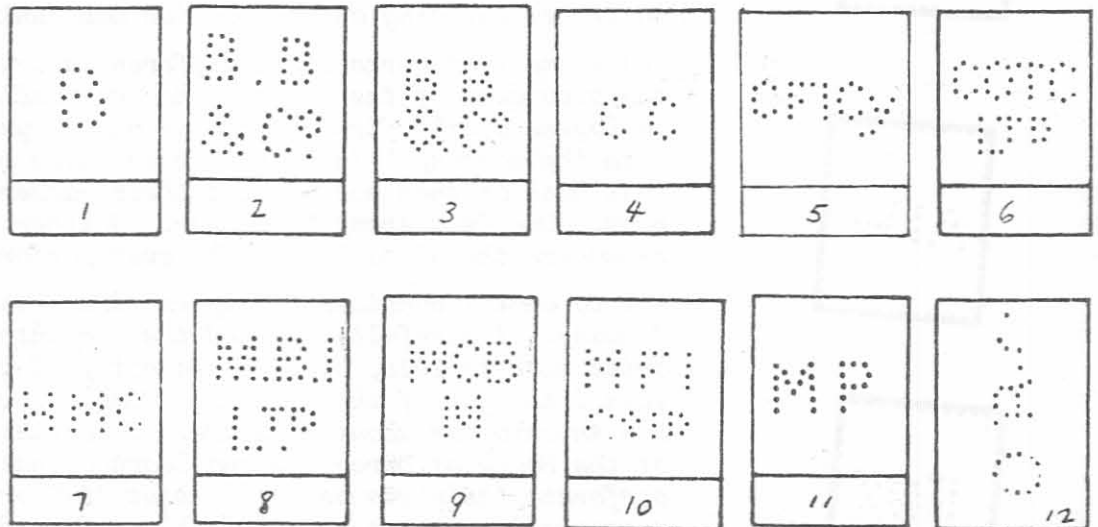


and chances are, if you wear one of these pins to a show, you'll meet another member or a collector, at least. The pin is stamp size, black lettering on white enamel, and has a pin back so you can fasten it to your tie, lapel, or whatever. The price is \$2 postpaid anywhere in the United States or Canada. Overseas members may order one delivered by airmail for \$3. Please make your check or money order payable to The Perfins Club and send it to Floyd A. Walker, Box 82, Grandview, MO 64030. Immediate delivery.

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A WORKING CATALOG OF THE PERFINS OF MAURITIUS

According to the worksheet in the library, there are a dozen perfins on the stamps of the Indian Ocean island of Mauritius. Those are shown here along with what is known about them. If you can add anything, contact our foreign catalog chairman, Robert J. Schwerdt (at 9 Memory Lane, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603) and he'll add your information to the file and we'll pass it along in a later issue.



1. User is Barclays Bank. Die was damaged at some point and exists with various pins missing.
2. Identification unknown. Possibly Blyth Brothers. First known use is July 10, 1897.
3. Used by Blyth Brothers & Company, first on 7/1/07.
4. User unknown, but possibly Controller of Customs
5. User unknown.
6. Used by Colonial & Overseas Trading Company, Ltd.
7. Possibly used by Harel Mallac. Illustration is not complete; should be HMC<sup>o</sup>.
8. User was Mercantile Bank of India, Limited.
9. Used by Mauritius Commercial Bank. The machine which made this perfin is said to have had a 51 die head
10. User not known.
11. Used by Mauritius Publicity.
12. Illustration incomplete; full pattern is O.B.C. and user is Oriental Banking Corporation. This pattern is known only fiscally used.

Can you add anything? Contact Bob Schwerdt. Only with your help can our knowledge of worldwide perfins be expanded.

## A NOTE FROM ALAN R. MISKIMIN RAISES SOME QUESTIONS

that some of you may be able to help answer. Here's Alan's letter.

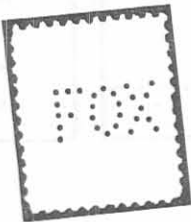


About two years ago I decided to investigate the Perfin users in San Antonio (Texas). The results have not been very good.

The Frost National Bank (F-134, mistakenly identified as First National Bank in the new catalog) had their perforating device up until five years ago when they moved into their new building and the device was junked.



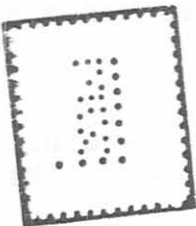
The Alamo Iron Works was a different story. I contacted the president of the company who referred me to two retired employees of the firm who had 48 and 51 years respectively with the company. In talking with these men, I learned that both of them had started their careers in the mailing room. One is a stamp collector. Neither of them, however, remembers the Alamo Iron Works ever perforating stamps.



Now to what I consider a complex mixup--the Fox Machine Company. I carefully checked the San Antonio City Directories back to 1918, but I could not find any such listing. Then I thought of the Fox Photo Company, which has been in San Antonio for about 60 years. I contacted the president of the Board of Directors and learned that they did indeed perforate their stamps until about 1942 or 1943. They (a vice president also recalled the perfin) don't remember what happened to the old perforator. Is it possible there is an error in the identifications of the FOX and AIW perfins in the catalog?

Members who have covers with the FOX (F-146) or the AIW (A-157) patterns are asked to check them and report the results to the *Bulletin* so we can help clear up the Miskimin quandry on these two patterns.

## IF YOU DON'T HAVE EVERETT R. LIEBRICH'S PERSONAL PERFIN



here's your chance to own one. Everett was one of the first among us to have his own perfin (it is L72.5 in the catalog) and we've discovered that it is missing from a surprising number of present-day collections. We wrote Everett and he generously prepared a couple of sheets of the 1¢ definitive issue with his pattern and donated them to the editor to pass along to members. If you'd like a copy, just send a stamped self-addressed envelope to Floyd A. Walker, Box 82, Grandview, MO 64030, and you'll get one by return mail. The sheets were torn in strips to pass through the perforator, so there are no blocks available. And all the patterns read from the front of the stamp.

## Auction 26: Closing date is April 15, 1980

Mail all bids to John A. Gooding, 923 North Anita Avenue, Gonzales, LA 70737

PLEASE READ THE RULES BEFORE BIDDING. Lots will be sold to the highest bidder at the following advances: Under \$1, a 5¢ advance; \$1 to \$2, a 10¢ advance; \$2 to \$5, a 25¢ advance; over \$5, a 10% advance. No unlimited bids accepted. Please make bids in multiples of 5¢. In case of tie bids, the first bid received will be accepted. All single perfins are complete and in good condition unless otherwise specified. Straight edges are not considered damage. In the larger lots, incomplete perfins and splits may be expected.

BID BY LOT NUMBER, NOT BY CATALOG NUMBER. Regular stamps between Scott 331 and 546 are listed "as is," and are not returnable if the Scott number is incorrectly listed. Lots are returnable if the Perfins Catalog number is incorrect; however, lots must be returned within three (3) days of receipt. U. S. Catalog numbers and ratings are from the U. S. Illustrated Perfins Catalog, 1979 edition.

ABBREVIATIONS. blk = block; cov = cover; cr = creased stamp; dam = slightly damaged, such as small tear, corner off, etc; for = foreign; hi = extra heavy ink showing on back of stamp; inc(1h) or inc(2h), etc., = incomplete perfin with 1 or 2 or more holes missing; mix = mixture; sp = split; stp = strip; \* = mint.

IN ALL CASES where there are foreign perfin catalogs available, such as Canada, Japan, Czechoslovakia, Switzerland, and so on, the catalog number from that catalog will be used to describe the perfin.

Lot	Cat #	Rate	Scott	Lot	Cat #	Rate	Scott	Lot	Cat #	Rate	Scott
1	A11	C	304	28	B107	B	Q1	55	C37	B	332
2	A46.5	D	332	29	B108	B	406	56	C38	B	331
3	A81	B	332	30	B109	B	332	57	C48	B	501
4	A130	B	610	31	B113	B	319	58	C60	B	506
5	A146.5hi	A	506	32	B116-36	A	832	59	C73.5	A	1052
6	A156	B	406	33	B116-41	B	554	60	C98	B	504
7	A182.5	B	406	34	B116-49	B	558	61	C104hi	B	332
8	A190	C	405	35	B129	B	406	62	C128	A	332
9	A191	B	406	36	B131	B	406	63	C143dam	B	332
10	A213.5	C	561	37	B151hi	B	501	64	C144	A	406
11	A216	B	405	38	B157	B	406	64a	C152A14	C	405
12	A221-25.5	B	427	39	B166	B	406	64b	C152B15	D	815
13	A221-25.7	A	554	40	B169dam	B	501	65	C152G7	C	C23
14	A228	A	332	41	B209	B	332	66	C164.7	A	1031
15	A253	B	501	42	B222.5dam	C	807	67	C171hi	B	332
16	A257	B	406	43	B223.5	B	406	68	C175	B	815
17	A269hi	B	Q2	44	B247.5	A	501	69	C178	B	414
18	A270-8	B	332	45	B268	B	331	70	C188.5	A	501
19	A283	B	406	46	B274	B	332	71	C191	B	332
20	A289.5	B	565	47	B&Pdiag (new)		332	72	C198.5	B	720
21	B2	C	332	48	B287	B	405	73	C199	B	332
22	B12.7	B	558	49	B288	B	332	74	C215	A	807
23	B32	B	501	50	B291corcut	B	554	75	C242.7	A	554
24	B35	B	501	51	B293	B	332	76	C247	B	406
25	B63	B	406	52	B294.5	A	554	77	C250	B	419
26	B94	B	332	53	C22.7	B	332	78	C251.5	B	406
27	B102	B	406	54	C26	B	332	79	C255	B	332

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80	C268	A	405	134	F151.5	B	556	189	H184blk	E	C5
81	C274	B	841	135	F182	B	406	190	H200	B	406
82	C275	B	331	136	F189	B	554	191	H203	B	406
83	C287	B	332	137	F191	B	684	192	H206	B	1044
84	C296	A	406	138	F213	B	405	193	H206.5	B	406
84a	C299.5	A	405	139	F214	B	332	194	H210.3	B	406
85	C307	B	E12	140	F220	B	406	195	H214.5	A	504
86	C320	A	610	141	F229	B	406	196	I10	B	554
87	C322	B	332	142	G1	B	331	197	I24	A	319
88	C350	B	405	143	G6	B	405	198	I25	B	332
89	C370	B	332	144	G7	B	332	199	I27	B	406
90	C371	B	406	145	G29	B	331	200	I30	B	406
91	C382x	B	501	146	G41	B	332	201	I33dam	B	503
92	C398	B	610	147	G48	B	331	202	I37	B	332
93	C405.5	A	331	148	G53	B	331	203	I59	B	552
94	C417	E	312	149	G60	B	501	204	I59	B	563
95	D0.5cr	B	715	150	G64	B	319	205	I66	B	405
96	D5	B	406	151	G72-50	B	554	206	I81	A	406
97	D14	B	331	152	G92	B	406	207	I85	B	331
98	D33.5	B	406	153	G94	B	332	208	I92-17	B	554
99	D37	B	332	154	G95	B	501	209	I93dam	B	332
100	D48	B	331	155	G97	B	554	210	I95	A	558
101	D100	C	560	156	G110	B	503	211	I96	B	557
102	D102	B	554	157	G111	B	406	212	I98	B	554
103	D102	B	720	158	G113	B	406	213	I113	B	406
104	D102.5cr	B	554	159	G119.5	B	416	214	J3	B	332
105	D109crhi	B	554	160	G126	B	406	215	J10	B	332
106	D147	B	406	161	G127	B	562	216	J25.5	B	406
107	E6	B	331	162	G134	B	503	217	J53	B	406
108	E12	A	405	163	G141	B	332	218	J57	B	332
109	E13.5	B	504	164	G147.5	B	406	219	J66	B	332
110	E19	B	370	165	G193	B	332	220	J72	A	406
111	E27	B	406	166	G200	B	554	221	J96.5-1	B	821
112	E28Ahi	B	687	167	H17	B	332	222	J112hi	B	406
113	E32	B	332	168	H30	B	331	223	J128	B	332
114	E40	B	332	169	H40	B	720	224	J129	B	331
115	E44	B	332	170	H44	A	332	225	J136	B	405
116	E52	B	812	171	H57	A	331	226	J145	B	501
117	E55	B	332	172	H77	B	406	227	J146	B	331
118	E75	B	332	173	H85	B	406	228	J151	B	556
119	E85	B	332	174	H86	B	406	229	J157	B	332
120	E89	B	557	175	H88	B	406	230	J171	C	C6
121	E95	B	503	176	H93	B	331	231	J178A	B	406
122	F3	B	406	177	H96.5	A	332	232	K7	B	319
123	F5	B	406	178	H100	B	503	233	K15dam	B	503
124	F6	A	406	179	H105	B	406	234	K17	B	406
125	F30cr	B	556	180	H109	B	331	235	K18	B	406
126	F34.5	B	610	181	H111	B	332	236	K19.5	B	332
127	F44	B	405	182	H121	D	C3	237	K24hi	B	503
128	F63	B	405	183	H126	B	406	238	K36	B	406
129	F69	B	405	184	H130.5	A	1036	239	K45	B	709
130	F83	B	405	185	H144	B	332	240	K47	C	319
131	F89	B	405	186	H159dam	B	406	241	K48	D	F1
132	F99	B	405	187	H168	B	332	242	K67	B	405
133	F102	B	332	188	H171crth	B	405	243	K70	B	406



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244	K73	B	405	298	M221	A	Q4	352	R11	B	332
245	L53	B	406	299	M236	B	554	353	R20	B	332
246	L59	B	406	300	M236	B	807	354	R35	B	901
247	L65.5	B	331	301	M271	B	332	355	R48	A	332
248	L107	B	332	302	M272.5	B	406	356	R65	B	554
249	L117.5	B	567	303	M305	B	332	357	R73	B	502
250	L119	B	406	304	M308	B	406	358	R89	B	332
251	L138.5	A	332	305	M310.5	B	561	359	R95	A	332
252	L140	B	332	306	M311	B	416	360	R132	B	406
253	L172	B	504	307	N .5	B	554	361	R133	B	406
254	L175	A	331	308	N30	D	C8	362	R164	B	Q6
255	L185.5	A	406	309	N63	A	552	363	R173	B	332
256	M5	B	332	310	N82	B	405	364	S2	B	555
257	M8.5	B	414	311	N94	B	567	365	S2.1	B	555
258	M16	B	406	312	N95	B	504	366	S2-41	B	900
259	M19	B	569	313	N113Aa5	A	332	367	S3	B	406
260	M26	B	332	314	N113Aa11hi	A	416	368	S6	B	406
261	M35	B	332	315	N113Aa13	A	332	369	S13	B	406
262	M39	B	406	316	N116	B	332	370	S24th	B	332
263	M45	B	332	317	N118	A	406	371	S35	B	406
264	M46	B	332	318	N143	B	568	372	S36	B	503
265	M52	B	406	319	N178	B	406	373	S44	A	332
266	M58	B	807	320	N197	B	331	374	S47	C	Q5
267	M60	B	807	321	09	B	554	375	S52	B	406
268	M63	B	332	322	020	B	406	376	S71	B	332
269	M64	B	406	323	051	B	406	377	S87	B	332
270	M77	B	406	324	063	B	406	378	S89dam	B	332
271	M87hi	B	414	325	067	B	554	379	S105	B	406
272	M91	B	332	326	073hi	B	Q2	380	S114.5	new	554
273	M95	B	508	327	087	B	370	381	S133	B	331
274	M104	B	406	328	P7	B	332	382	S174.5	B	405
275	M105	B	805	329	P35	B	549	383	S190	B	332
276	M105	B	901	330	P39B	A	406	384	S193	B	405
277	M109	B	503	331	P46	B	332	385	S195-22	B	406
278	M112	A	332	332	P48	B	502	386	S195-31	B	406
279	M119	B	331	333	P50	B	331	387	S195.5	B	807
280	M121	B	406	334	P55-10	A	557	388	S205	B	332
281	M122	B	554	335	P60	B	332	389	S206	B	370
282	M125	B	406	336	P75.5	B	332	390	S208	B	332
283	M135	A	406	337	P79	B	398	391	S210hi	B	406
284	M141	A	331	338	P103	B	554	392	S218	B	502
285	M142	B	406	339	P121	B	554	393	S227	B	332
286	M142.5	B	331	340	P136	B	406	394	S229	B	406
287	M143	B	405	341	P157dam	B	331	395	S238	D	C9
288	M168hi	A	331	342	P163	B	406	396	S242	B	332
289	M172	B	504	343	P180	B	332	397	S251.5	B	406
290	M175	B	418	344	P191	B	331	398	S252	B	406
291	M178	A	406	345	P194hi	B	C7	399	S269	B	502
292	M181	B	720	346	P235.5	B	406	400	S270	B	504
293	M182	B	501	347	P241	B	406	401	S272-7	B	332
294	M201	B	405	348	P256	B	406	402	S289	B	406
295	M204	B	405	349	Q4	B	554	403	S296	B	720
296	M207A	B	406	350	Q7	B	405	404	S298	B	406
297	M220	B	406	351	Q8	B	332	405	S299	B	332

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406	S303	B	406	460	W126	B	332	513	42		138
407	S315	B	406	461	W132	B	504	514	44		139
408	S321	B	406	462	W136dam	A	502	515	45		138
409	S321.5	B	332	463	W146.5	C	506	516	53		138
410	S327	B	406	464	W161	B	905	517	56		138
411	S329	B	332	465	W163	B	554	518	58		139
412	S333	B	332	466	W171	B	406	519	59		139
413	S337	B	319	467	W174dam	B	416	520	61		139
414	S345hi	B	406	468	W176	B	406	521	65		138
415	S356	B	332	469	W179	B	406	522	68		138
416	S364	B	332	470	W184	B	720	523	69		139
417	S366	B	405	471	W185	B	558	524	71		139
418	S367	B	332	472	W187	B	331	525	72		138
419	T8	B	554	473	W188	B	332	526	74		139
420	T15	A	406	474	W192	B	501	U. S. Covers			
421	T22A	C	406	475	W194	B	332	526A	R94.7	E	1511
422	T41.7	A	406	476	W203-4	B	406	526B	R94.7	E	1511
423	T52	B	556	477	W204	B	406	526C	R94.7	E	1511
424	T61	B	332	478	W220	B	332	Canada			
425	T62	B	406	479	W223	B	332	527	A5		106
426	T63	B	406	480	W225	B	332	528	A6		93
427	T118.5	B	406	481	W226	B	807	529	B1		235
428	T120	B	332	482	W228	B	332	530	C23		106
429	U1	B	406	483	X1	B	406	531	E4		106
430	U3	B	502	484	Y .5	A	554	532	G4		118
431	U5	B	406	485	Y2	B	406	533	G7		250
432	U10	B	406	486	Y4	B	405	534	G12inc(1h)		104
433	U27	B	332	487	Z3	B	332	535	G13e		150
434	U50	C	319	488	#2	B	503	536	H1		104
435	U81	B	554	489	#16	B	554	537	I6		104
436	U82-9	B	506	490	Des 20	B	807	538	J1		104
437	U82-10	B	332	491	Des 24	B	406	539	J10inc(1h)		233
438	U82-17	B	685	Schermacks				540	M3A		106
439	U93	B	406	492	1		138	541	M13		MR1
440	U97	B	406	493	3		139	542	M16		106
441	V2hi	B	331	494	5		139	543	M20		106
442	V9	B	406	495	6		139	544	N4		107
443	V12	B	E6	496	7		139	545	N5		104
444	W11.5	A	332	497	8		139	546	N8		105
445	W28	B	332	498	11		139	547	N9		197
446	W30	B	405	499	12		139	548	N10K		306
447	W45hi	B	406	500	13		140	549	N10L		338
448	W57	B	398	501	14		139	550	N10N		197
449	W67	B	406	502	15		138	551	N11		219
450	W71.5	A	1213	503	16		138	552	01		235
451	W72-49	A	807	504	18		138	553	03dam		75
452	W72-57	A	558	505	19		139	554	04		104
453	W72-64	B	406	506	21		139	555	07		106
454	W73	B	406	507	24		139	556	010		106
455	W87	B	406	508	26		139	557	04a		108
456	W103	B	332	509	28		139	558	04b		253
457	W118	B	406	510	29		139	559	P8		104
458	W121	B	406	511	34		138	560	R6		91
459	W122.5	B	554	512	41		140	561	R7		MR4

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562	S4		108
563	S8		106
564	S12		104
565	S14		107
566	T1dam		89
567	T2		107
568	T3		90
569	T4		108
570	W3		89
571	W6dam		272
572	W8		77
573	W11a		106
574	W12		254
575	W13		106
Australia			
576	AS/&S		L4
Germany			
577	(CAK) 30 holes		83
578	(CAK) 36 holes		184
579	C.Z.	GDR	121
580	CP monogram		119
581	HBP		186
582	HIG monogram		232
583	(JC)		83
584	JZC monogram		84
585	M.S	Baden	593
586	OO joined		82
587	SO/O monogram		269
588	V/BA	9N	92
589	VR monogram		86
590	Jo		393
German Offices in Belgium			
591	B.G.		N3
592	CB. inc(3h)		N2
593	P.B inc(2h)		N12
German Offices in China			
594	HS.BC inc (5h)		39
German Ofcs in Romania			
595	CLR monogram	3N	11
German Offices in Turkey			
596	K.B.		27
India-Cochin			
597	P		33
598	D 2 stps	16-17	
Hyderabad			
599	S.J.E		5
Jamaica			
600	JTC		77
Italy			
601	CI on AMG-FTT		
	Trieste		23

*End of sale*

GRANTED, OKRA AND PERFINS DON'T HAVE MUCH IN COMMON, BUT...

we recently received a letter which we share in the interest not only of promoting philately but also of broadening the culinary experiences of our members. The letter is from C. B. Troup of Stephenville, Texas.

*While in grade school 65 years ago, I started making plans for my retirement years should I live that long. I have. I collected coins, stamps, Indian artifacts, and various other items to keep my mind active while my body slowly wears out. I garden, fish, cook foods to my liking, and enjoy life. One of the things I like is okra.*

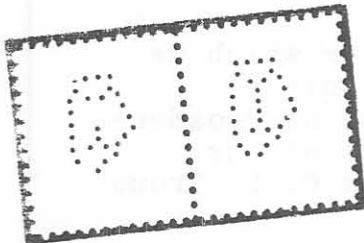
*I'd like to offer to send members of the Perfins Club some Texas Longhorn okra seed which have been grown from plants in my garden. The seeds are free, but I would like a self-addressed stamped envelope to send them in. If anybody wants to send along a perfin or two, that's fine, but it isn't necessary. I'll send the seeds without them.*

Now personally, folks, I wouldn't give you a split perfin for all the okra in Texas. But that isn't a view shared by my wife. She loves the stuff and can hardly wait to harvest okra from the seeds Charlie sent along to us.

If you'd like to share the okra experience, drop a note to Charlie at 840 South Lillian, Stephenville, TX 76401. And if you've never heard of okra, Charlie will probably share a recipe for fixing it.

Okra is something everybody should taste at least once. I have. Once. Just do me a favor. Please don't write me and tell me how good it is. If there is anything I don't need, it's a "told you so" from my wife.

## THE STATE OF ILLINOIS PERFIN (I-5)



is the product of a 10-die automated perforator and it wasn't uncommon for one of the ten dies to lose a pin. As a result, the I-5 pattern exists in a variety of varieties. We recently acquired, through Joe Frye of Memphis, our printer, nearly two full sheets of the I-5 pattern showing one broken die, the one on the extreme right (or left) of the row of 10. Three pins are missing. We've detached pairs of perfins: one each of the broken die and the regular die and we'll share them with members who send us a stamped self addressed envelope. There are only 17 pairs available with the broken die, but we'll send along additional examples of the complete perfin if you want them. Send your SASE to Floyd Walker, Box 82, Grandview, MO 64030.

FRANCIS J. MILLER challenges MIKE BURROW'S statement that the machine with the most heads is the one used by the Mauritius Commercial Bank (MCB/M) which has a reported 51 heads (*Bulletin*, Nov/Dec 79). Miller refers to another *Bulletin* article (April 1975) in which DAVE STUMP refers to the 100 head machines used for the GT and SP patterns.

LARRY OWEN (3887 Antigua Circle, Dallas, TX 75234) says he has a "nearly full cigar box of unsorted U.S. revenue perfins" which he'll sell to the highest offer he receives by April 15. And Larry also has 20 packages of 100 U. S. perfins each (all 1953 and later) which he'll sell for \$1 each provided buyers send a along a return envelope.

BILL TURNEY writes to say that ED HAACK'S article on the electric railways of Western Canada (*Bulletin*, Sept 79) was particularly interesting to him because he has lived in the greater Vancouver area for 60 years. Bill says as a youngster he used to ride the old interurban cars between Marpole, Steveston, and New Westminster to and from Vancouver.

SALVATORE GUARINI (Box 1502, San Mateo, CA 94401) says he has A & B rated U. S. perfins he will trade for others he needs. Serious collectors only, please.



JACK BRANDT reports that the PAKB pattern shown here exists on the Scott 1L numbers of Yugoslavia. That means, says foreign catalog chairman BOB SCHWERDT, that the PAKB pattern has been reported on Bosnia & Herzegovina, Croatia-Slovenia, and Slovenia, as well as on Yugoslavia general issues. The pattern was used by Privat Agrar Kommercial Bank of Sarajevo.

## FOURTEEN NEW MEMBERS, THREE REINSTATEMENTS, AND SEVEN LIFERS

SECRETARY'S  
REPORT

Sending a few perfins to one of the 14 newcomers this month would be a nice way to say welcome to the Club.

- 1842 Mark I. Fromer, 1519 East 8th, Brooklyn, NY 11230  
--Romania
- 1843 Richard S. Joan, 1135 Glen Leven, Ann Arbor, MI 48103  
--US & Canada
- 1844 Jack H. Wills, 1609 West Hayes, Davenport, IA 52804  
--Worldwide; referred by APS
- 1845 Leo A. Minner, c/o Corner Drug Store, Cattaraugus, NY 14719  
--US and BNA
- 1846 E. M. Starlin, A.B.A., Green Lake, WI 54941  
--General
- 1847 Bradley J. Nuremberg, 3436 Fairesta Street, La Crescenta, CA 91214  
--Germany, Austria
- 1848 F. Dudley Chaffee, 3810 Parkwood Dr., Greensboro, NC 27403  
--General
- 1849 Colin R. Askey, 54 Newlands St., Shelton, Stoke-on-Trent, ST4 2RF, Staffordshire, ENGLAND  
--Great Britain
- 1850 James W. Wood Sr., Box 403, Whitehouse, NJ 08888  
--Railroads, airlines, truck lines, steamship lines
- 1851 John A. Sanders, 458 McNaughton Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3L 1S4 CANADA  
--Canada OHMS; by Al Pearson
- 1852 Richard V. Marcus, 1395 Poulson Street, Wantagh, NY 11793  
--Beginner
- 1853 Albert G. P. Ellis, 39 Newlands Crescent, Northowram, Halifax, West Yorkshire HX3 7HU ENGLAND  
--Ceylon, India, Egypt
- 1854 Louise M. Barrett, Box 156, 72 Union Avenue, Center Moriches, LI, NY 11934  
--General; by Jack Gooding
- 1855 Paul J. Bulver, 4603 Annaway Drive, Edina, MN 55346  
--US; referred by APS

Seven new life members were added: Carl J. Faulkner (LM-70); Millard J. Driscoll (LM-71); Andre George (LM-72); Virginia M. White (LM-73); William M. Weiler (LM-74); Bill Bladorn (LM-75); and William Kinrade (LM-76).

Three former members were reinstated:

- 714 Nancie R. Rabe, Box 1106, Clearfield, PA 16830
- 1161 Newton Nichols, Box L, Grantsville, WV 26147
- 1665 W. L. Wright, 2724 Doris Court, Carmichael, CA 95608

Three members moved during the month:

- LM-43 David Savadge, 232 Mountain View, Santa Maria, CA 93454
- 1554 Gary L. Putinsky, 3106 Barth, Flint, MI 48504
- 278 John L. Steele Jr., 2255 Fredrica Road, St. Simons Island, GA 31522

All these changes brought our membership to a total of 756.

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#### THE KANSAS-NEBRASKAS AND THE REGISTRATION STAMP

are interesting issues to collect with perfins in them, but there is some question about just how many patterns exist on these stamps. Perhaps it is time we did for the K-Ns and the F-1s what has been done for the early prominent American series...compile a checklist.

To get accurate lists, we need two things: a list of the perfins on these issues which you have in your collection, and a couple of members who will put the individual listings into a final checklist.

Do we have some volunteers out there? If you'll do the compiling, drop the editor a note and we'll make sure you wind up with the job. Even if you don't have time to compile the master list, do take the time to check your own collection for perfins on these two stamps, make a list of them, and send the list along to the editor. We'll forward your list to the right person.

#### COMING UP SOON...A LIST OF PERFINS ON 332 and 375

The checklist was compiled by Larry Owen and we'll begin publishing it shortly. Might be a good idea to check your collection now for these issues so you'll be able to add to Larry's list when it appears.

#### THAT GERMAN COLLECTION ADVERTISED IN THE OCTOBER BULLETIN

was sold to John Needham, whose \$1,073.00 bid was the top one. The collection consisted of more than 6500 German perfins mounted in alphabetical order. Needham is one of the authors of the German Perfins Catalog which currently is in worksheet form and he's rapidly putting together one of the country's top German perfins collections.


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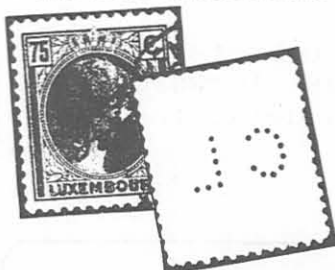
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The official perforation of the Latvian government postal savings office in a postal savings receipt. LATVIAN PERFINS is the title of an article which begins on page 3.

## CREDIT LYONNAIS IN A LUXEMBOURG OFFICIAL?



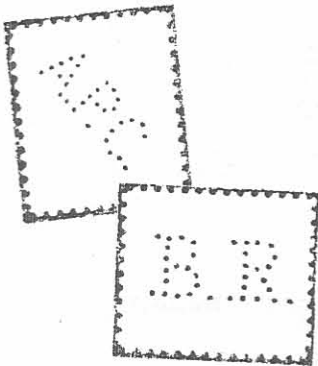
Foreign catalog coordinator Bob Schwerdt wants to know why a Luxembourg official (Scott O-152) has a CL (for Credit Lyonnais) perfin in it. Is it possible, wonders Bob, that the overprint is bogus? Or is there another explanation. If you can help, write Bob at 9 Memory Lane, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603.

ANOTHER NEW PERFIN? THE SPA GETS INTO THE ACT. DETAILS ARE ON PAGE 8.

IF YOU HAVEN'T WRITTEN FOR A PROSPECTUS FOR THE ELPEX SHOW,

today is the day to do it. Just drop a note to Joseph J. Balough, 9108 McFall Drive, El Paso, TX 79925. It would surely speed things if you'd send along a stamped self-addressed envelope. The ELPEX show is our 1980 exhibit and convention and it is scheduled for June 20 through 22. Frame fees are \$3.50 for adults and the closing date for entries is May 26--or until all the frames have been sold. Every club member who exhibits will receive a Perfins Club ribbon in addition to any award given by the judges.

LEBANON: ARE THERE ONLY TWO PATTERNS?



According to the worksheet in the library, there are only two perfins from Lebanon, both of which are shown at left. The A.P.C. pattern was used by the Anglo-Palestine Company Limited and is known on Scott 69, 125, 129, and 57 with a Beirut postmark. The other pattern, B.R., is known on Scott 120, 141, 145, 146, 150, and C65, but the identity of its user is unknown. Can anybody identify B.R.? And does anybody have any more patterns from Lebanon. Send information to Bob Schwerdt (9 Memory Lane, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603) our foreign catalog chairman.

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and since they often come as a result of articles by our members, we get a number of inquiries about the Club when such notes appear. It will vastly simplify things if you'll remember always to refer interested collectors to our vice president, Dorothy Savage, for information about the club. Here's a suggested paragraph you can use.

*For more information about the Perfins Club, send a #10 stamped addressed envelope to Dorothy Savage, 10550 Western Avenue, Space 94, Stanton, CA 90680. Mrs. Savage, the Perfins Club vice president, has a Perfins Primer she'll gladly mail interested collectors.*

Dorothy is geared up to handle such requests on a regular basis. The other officers just forward requests to her for handling, which can delay things for those who write.

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## Latvian Perfins: a summary

The following information is summarized from an article by A. Petrevics which appeared in *The Latvian Collector*, the journal of the Latvian Philatelic Society. We received a copy of the article from Mr. Robert Jaskovskis of Shippenville, PA, and we're passing along the information with the permission of Mr. Jaskovskis. If you have additional information you can share, please let us know so we can pass it along to the Latvian group.

### Latvian Perfins, by A. Petrevics

There are only three firms known which used perfins in Latvia and most Latvian perfins are found on the definitive "arms" issues and on pictorial designs of 1934. Perfins are also found on commemorative issues of 1938 and 1939.

Two of the three known patterns have been identified. SHELL is the pattern of Shell Oil Company and UBC/L is the pattern of United Baltic Corporation Limited. The third pattern, S&L, has not been identified, but all examples known originated in Riga.

Here's a summary of the information compiled on each of the three patterns.

#### Shell Oil Company



<i>Dates</i>	<i>Places</i>	<i>Scott #</i>	<i>Other information</i>
--	Riga	122	
1938	Riga	138	
1940	Riga	140	
1939	--	151	
1938	Riga	175	
1939	Riga	201	Known on cover
1939	Riga	208/210	
1940	Riga	222	Known on cover

#### User Unknown

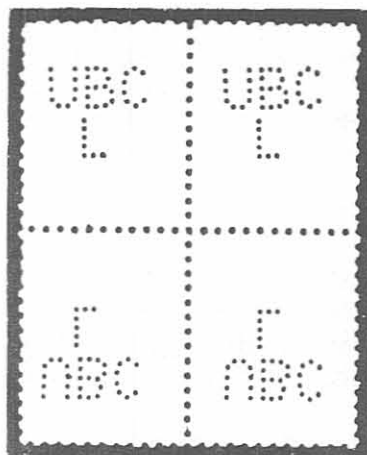


<i>Dates</i>	<i>Places</i>	<i>Scott #</i>	<i>Other information</i>
--	Riga	121	
1935	Riga	135	
1930	Riga	148	
--	Riga	175	
1936	Riga	177	
1936	Riga	178	
1937	Riga	188	

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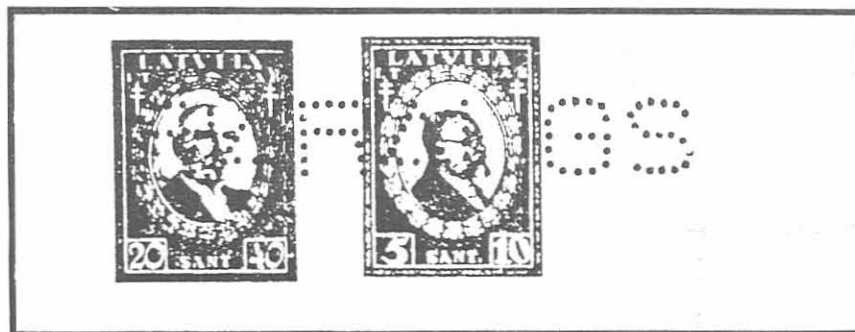
## LATVIAN PERFINS: A SUMMARY...continued

United Baltic Corporation Limited



<i>Dates</i>	<i>Places</i>	<i>Scott #</i>	<i>Other information</i>
--	--	80	
1921	Liepaja	83	
1921	Liepaja	94	
--	--	110	
1923	Liepaja	111	
1924	Liepaja	114	Known on cover
--	Riga	114	
1924	Liepaja	115	Known on cover
1923	Riga	118	Known on cover
1923	Liepaja	118	
1924	Liepaja	119	Known on cover
--	--	121	
1923	Riga	124	Known on cover
1924	Liepaja	124	Known on cover
--	Riga	126	
1934	Liepaja	149	

Although these are the only three known patterns of what we really consider perfins, there are other perforations on Latvian postal material. Specifically, the perfin PARAUGS (Specimen) is known on stamps and banknotes and the official perfin of the government postal savings office is also known on postal savings receipts. Whether these really are perfins remains, of course, a matter of debate. If members of the Perfins Club can provide additional examples or additional information, however, it would be appreciated.



A pair of 1931 anti-tuberculosis semipostals with the official perforation PARAUGS (Specimen). From postal archives.

## THE PERFINS OF NEWFOUNDLAND: by A. D. Hanes

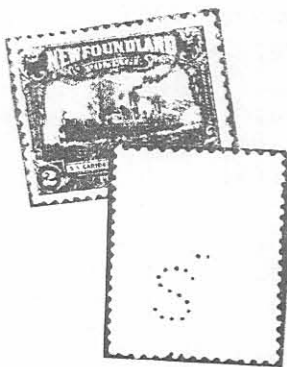
Newfoundland became the tenth Canadian province in 1949. Before then, Newfoundland was a crown colony of England and issued its own postage stamps. Seven different perfins are known on the stamps of Newfoundland.

AN/D	Anglo-Newfoundland Development Company, Grand Falls
AYRE	Two types: one 15 mm wide, the other 20 mm wide; both used by Ayre & Sons, St. John's
CH	Two types: one 16½ mm high, the other 5½ mm high; both used by Custom House
CANL'D/CSO	Colonial Secretary's Office, St. John's
GK	George Knowling Company, St. John's

The third edition of the handbook on Canadian Perfins published by BNAPS gives information about the period of use of each design, but it isn't known which stamps were individually perforated with each design.

I am attempting to put together a listing of the stamps each design is found on, but I need your help. Please check your holdings of Newfoundland perfins and share with me a list by pattern of the Scott number of each pattern.

Please take special care when reporting the two AYRE patterns and also when reporting designs found on the publicity issue of 1928/29, the publicity issue re-engraved of 1929/31, and the publicity issue re-engraved with watermarks of 1931. The resources issues of 1932/38 and the reissue of 1941/44 may also pose problems.



I have one further request. Can anyone identify the user of the perfin shown at left? It is believed to be the pattern of Swift & Company identified in the U. S. Catalog as S2-27 and reported as used in Chicago. How did it wind up on a Newfoundland stamp? Or is it the pattern of another company altogether?

Your help is greatly appreciated. Please write me at 126 School Street, Site 20, Bordon, Ontario, LOM 1C0

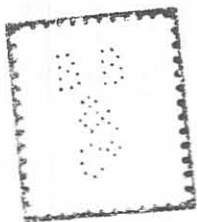
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## THE BNA PERFORATOR IS THE TITLE OF THE NEW PUBLICATION

of the Canadian Perfins Study Group of the British North American Philatelic Society. The editor is Jon Johnson, a life member of the Perfins Club. If you're interested in Canadian Perfins, drop a line to Jon (at Box 6118, Station D. Calgary, Alberta T2P 2C7) and ask him for more information about the group. If you'd like to review the publication, it is filed in the Perfins Club Library, thanks to Jon's generosity.

## IS THERE REALLY ONLY ONE PATTERN FROM BRITISH GUIANA?



Worksheet #5 has been around for a long time and it shows only one pattern from British Guiana (except, of course, a SPECIMEN). That one pattern is shown at left. We have no identification for the BB/&Co. Can anybody help out with more information...or another pattern? Write Bob Schwerdt, our foreign catalog chairman at 9 Memory Lane, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603.

## FOR SALE AT AUCTION: AN AUSTRALIAN COLLECTION. Reserve bid \$250.00

The collection consists of 390 different patterns mounted face down on black perfin pages. In addition, there are

*OS: 1913 series, 13 mm, 11 issues; 1913 series, 7-1/2 mm, 15 issues; 1923 issues, 7-1/2 mm, 3 issues; 1913-1930 series, 7-1/2 mm, 19 issues; 1926 series, 7-1/2 mm, 2 issues; 1914 series, 7-1/2 mm, 4 issues.*

*G: 1913 series, 6-1/2 mm, 6 issues; 1937 series, 9 mm, 1 issue.*

*NEW SOUTH WALES. OS/NSW: 1906, 16 issues; 1913, 10 issues; 1926, 2 issues. G/NSW: 1913, 7 issues; 1932, 2 issues; 1937, 17 issues; 1942, 12 issues; 1949, 10 issues; 1950, 6 issues; 1948, 1 issue; 1953, 6 issues; 1954, 11 issues, 1953, 10 issues. 12 additional issues not identified.*

*T OF TASMANIA: 179 stamps of the T variation by issue; 49 additional issues of T perfin by year of issue.*

*VG OF VICTORIA GOVERNMENT: 48 issues, 359 stamps.*

*VG OF FRENCH EQUATORIAL AFRICA, 5 stamps. In total, over 1200 stamps in the T perfin and the VG. Up to 10 duplicates to show position of perfin.*

The purchaser must pay all insurance and postage. Half of the purchase price is due upon notification of win and balance upon acceptance of merchandise. All bids to be in the hands of the auction chairman by May 15, 1980. Include full mailing address and telephone number with bids. Send bids to John A. Gooding, 923 North Anita Avenue, Gonzales, LA 70737.

## Secretary's Report

Help us welcome seven new members this month. As usual, Dot Savage is our champion recruiter, but Al Gerstenberger also found a new member and the APS referred another new member to us.

- 1856 Carey L. Brown, 22 Pearl Street, Oyster Bay, NY 11771  
--US on Scott 319
- 1857 J. I. Amundaray, Apartado 60975, Caracas 1060 VENEZUELA  
--Great Britain
- 1858 Elmyra G. Hancer, 1200 West Winston, Sp 65, Hayward, CA 94545  
--US
- 1859 Douglas P. Birchill, 40 Rollingwood Drive, Willowdale, Ontario M2H 2M5 CANADA
- 1860 Arthur R. Thimsen Jr., 765 Gist Rd., Westminster, MD 21157  
--Beginner
- 1861 Robert C. Krueger, 4773 North Sheffield Avenue, Whitefish Bay, WI 53211  
--Beginner
- 1862 Robert Oswald, 5208-50A Avenue, General Delivery, Sylvan Lake, Alberta TOM 1Z0 CANADA

### Address Changes

- 1533 Adams, Billy M., Box 1023, New Garden Station, Fort Knox, KY 40121
- 1481 Repeta, Louis A., 76 Biltmore Avenue, Oakdale, NY 11769
- 1067 Gerstenberger, Alvin, Box 14533, Phoenix, AZ 85063
- LM66 Rowe, Terry L., 320 West Church Street, Urbana, OH 43078
- 1749 Potter, John E., 1244 Benton Street, Rockford, IL 61107
- 399 Russnack, Paul Jr., #23 Merriman Road, Brookside Park, Newark, DE 19713

### Address Correction

- 294 Ludwig, Llewellyn G., 2354-2B Via Mariposa West, Laguna Hills, CA 92653

With these seven new members, our total membership is now 763

### WHETHER YOU'RE A NEWCOMER OR AN OLD VETERAN

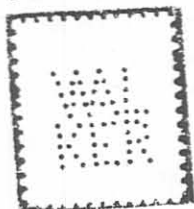
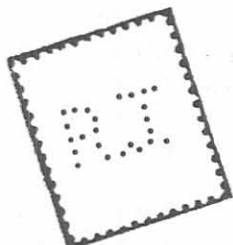
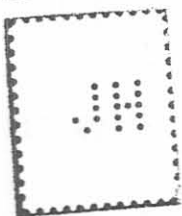
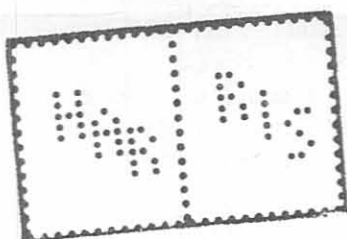
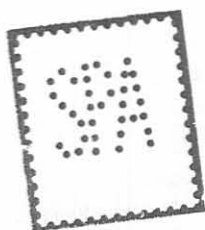
there is a good chance that the sales department can help your perfins collection. Sales Manager Ivan Ley reports a fairly good stock of both U. S. and foreign material. If you're interested, write Ivan at Arena, WI 53503. Ivan says he is always interested in new material for the sales department...the demand often is heavier than the supply. If you have dups you want to part with, why not sell them through the sales department? The commission is small, the returns are better than average, and the service is tops.

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**A new  
perfin  
from the  
SPA**



A new perfin will be introduced at the spring meeting of the Society of Philatelic Americans in Punta Gorda, Florida, April 18-20.

The SPA design, pictured at left, will make its debut on cacheted covers carrying the pictorial STAMPOREE '80 postmark, which includes the letters SPA in its design.

STAMPOREE covers will be available in sets of five--each carrying a different perfin cancelled with the special postmark.

In addition to the SPA perfin, there will be covers with the JH (J55.7), the HAR and RIS (H-21.5 and R-94.5), the RJ (R-94.7) and the WAL/KER (W-20.5) patterns. The JH and the HAR/RIS perfins are the personal patterns of SPA president Jim Harris, who is a former president of the Perfins Club. The RJ pattern belongs to Robert J. Murrin, a Pinellas Park, Florida, SPA dealer member and a member of the Perfins Club. The WAL/KER perfin is the property of editor Floyd Walker.

A full set of five covers is \$4 and may be ordered from SPA treasurer (and Perfins Club member) Dr. John M. Buckner, 2560 NW 13th Street, Gainesville, FL 32601.

Perfins Club members may order only the cover with the SPA perfin for just \$1.00. Each collector placing an order will also receive the SPA perfin on a loose stamp with the perfin reading from the backside so it may be mounted face down in an album.

Collectors who join the SPA and prepay their dues for three years (\$30) will receive the full set of five covers--and covers released in 1981 and 1982--free.

Collectors who do not wish their covers to be addressed should include a stamped addressed #10 envelope with their orders.

Proceeds from the sale of the covers will be donated to the SPA educational and publication fund.

# The Bulletin

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CLOSED ALBUMS: Leonard Paul, #277

Perfins philately lost a good friend on March 18 when Leonard Paul died of cancer.

Len Paul's name probably isn't that familiar to many club members. Len was the sort of fellow who did his work quietly. He didn't hold an office in the Club, but without his help the Club might not exist today.

In the mid-1950s, Len Paul offered his help to Dave Stump, who was functioning as sort of a jack-of-all-tasks for the Club. Len used his own money to buy a small hand-operated mimeograph machine which he and Dave used to turn out the *Bulletin*. Len personally typed much of the first, second, and third rounds of the U. S. mimeographed catalog and then ran off the stencils himself on the machine in Dave's attic. For nearly two decades, Len and Dave were the official family of the Club.

In 1969, Len Paul was named recipient of the Hallock Card Award for his contributions to the Club and to perfins philately.

In recent years, Len had limited his perfins activities. But he remained a good friend to the Club, a steady worker when he was needed, and a good personal friend to dozens of members. We'll miss Len Paul. Our Club is a poorer one because he is no longer with us.

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WANT SOMETHING TO SPICE UP YOUR COLLECTION?

The Cover Sales Department has some packets of covers for sale at \$3 each. Each packet contains 10 different covers and they'll make interesting additions to any collection--especially for exhibits. You can order *UNIVERSITIES*, *PUBLIC SCHOOLS*, *RAILROADS*, or *BUSINESSES*. Send your order to Edwin L. Stuntzner, 1003 Exchange Street, Emporia, KS 66801. And if you want some specific covers for your collection, tell Ed and he'll try to help you.

## IT HAS BEEN A BUSY SPRING IN GRANDVIEW

Perfins Club members have been active and creative. Our mail has been running heavy with ideas, articles, questions, and comments. We appreciate the letters and we apologize for any delays you've experienced in the last month.

We spent much of our spare time during March on the campaign trail. We held on to our seat on the Grandview city council by capturing about 65 percent of the vote in the April 1 election.

We also spent much of our time during March and early April trying to recover from a broken shoulder. We wish we had a really glamorous tale to tell (skiing, playing football, or even jogging), but the plain truth is we stepped off a curb and slipped on loose gravel. We're healing pretty well and hopefully we'll be back on the racquetball court before May is over.

## HERE'S SOME CLIPS FROM RECENT CORRESPONDENCE



DR. HARVEY TILLES reports a new perfin from the Sudan. The TC/&S pattern shown at left was used by Thomas Cook and Sons.

JAMES EHRBAR (1250 Eastwood Drive, Anaheim, CA 92805) has about a dozen copies of the "Schermack 12-hole open-square no-holes-missing" on Scott 344 which he'd like to trade for any other Schermack in good condition.

DR. NORMAN PLATNICK (148 West 80th #6R, New York 10024) is actively researching revenue perfins again, with most of his attention devoted to U. S. and New York stock transfers. He'd like to hear from members who share his interests or who have material they'd like to trade. Norman, incidentally, has been devoting most of the last two years to work on a book he is writing.

CONRAD M. TREMBLAY (30 Taillon, Repentigny, Quebec J6A 4E8) wants to exchange Canadian commemoratives, including hard to get flags, for your duplicate Canadian perfins.

AL PEARSON sends us a clip from the *Canadian Stamp News* which says the perforator used by the Montreal Rolling Mills Company (MR/MC pattern) has been donated to the National Postal Museum in Ottawa. Does anybody know of other perforators in museums?

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## Korean Perfins: There aren't any!!

But, according to George A. Fisher Jr. (#1152), there have been perfins used in Korea. Fisher, a specialist in Japanese philately, says a number of Japanese firms used perfins in their branches in Korea.

In correspondence with Korean specialist Vincent McDermott (#1737), Fisher listed the Japanese perfins he knows exist with cancellations indicating their use in Korea. That listing is offered here with Fisher's permission. If members can add others to the list, please let Fisher know so the information can be passed along in a later article.

Incidentally, Fisher says there are no perfins known on stamps used for Japanese offices in Korea. He points out that these stamps were used for barely over a year beginning in 1900 when perfins were relatively new in Japan, so there wasn't much time for the perfins to have been used in Korea.

### Perfins on Japanese Stamps Used in Korea

by George A Fisher Jr.

Here's a list of perfins known on Japanese stamps used in Korea. Catalog numbers and illustrations are from Sunao Adachi's *Perfins Catalog of Japan*, 2nd edition, 1974.

D-22 was used by FU Kuo-yuan (Chinese spelling; I don't know the Korean spelling) Main Store in Suwon and by the Seoul branch store in Seoul Central and Seoul Station post offices. It is found on Scott 127 through 176.

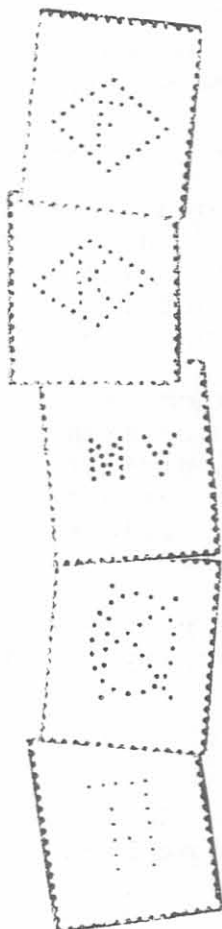
D-27 was used by the Seoul (Keijo) Nursery Company (FU Kuo-yuan Seoul Branch--obviously related to D-22) in Seoul Central. Found on Scott 127 through 279.

E-55 was used by the Meijiya Company Limited (a department store, I think) in Seoul and many cities in Japan. Found on Scott 127 through 279.

E-58 was used by the Seoul Osakaya-go Bookstore (the K stands for Kei-jo, no doubt) at Seoul Central post office. Found on Scott 194 through 279.

K-44 is known with postmarks from Seoul Central post office on Scott 25y through 279, but the user has not been identified.

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*Korean Perfins, continued from the previous page*

R-13 was used by the Chosen (Korean) Rice Company Limited in Seoul, Kunsan, Inchon, Haeju, Chinnampo, Sotaemon (Seoul Great West Gate), and Pusan. Found on Scott 127a through 342.

R-48 was used by Ohara Securities Company Limited in Seoul and Seoul Central post offices on Scott 127a through 342.

R-62 was used by the Japan Life Insurance Company Limited in Nagoya, Sapporo, and Seoul. Found on Scott 127a through 279.

W-44 was used by the Chosen (Korean) Commercial and Industrial Company Limited in Chinnampo, Seoul Namtaemon (Great South Gate) and Pyongyang (now in North Korea). Known on Scott 194 through 342.

W-80 was used by the Mitsui Bussan (Products) Company Limited in Seoul, Seoul Central, Pyongyang, Pusan, Kunsan, Chinnampo, and Chongjin--and in many other cities throughout the Japanese Empire. Found on Scott 91 through 342. This is among the most common of Japanese Perfins; it is found in about nine varieties or styles.

X-13 is the anchor of the Japanese Navy and was used by the Navy around the Empire. It is known from only one office in Korea, which is the coal mining town of Jido, located a little south and east of Pyongyang on a short branch railway. This perfin is known on many offices in Japan on stamps from Scott 127a to 342, but I'm not sure which stamps the Korean postmark was found on.

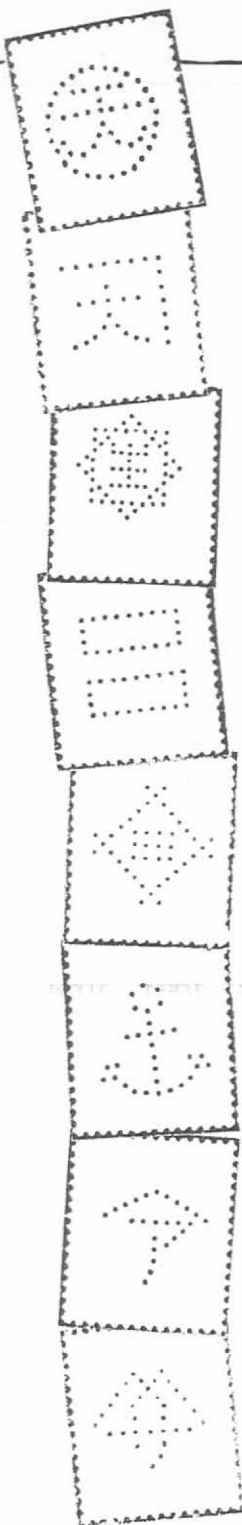
In addition, I have a K-28 on Scott 127a which has an apparent Chinnampo postmark (the po is off the stamp). I don't know any other post office in the Empire that starts with these two characters of a three character name. K-28 was used by the Arai Company in offices not yet identified by Adachi.

I also have a K-36 with the domestic roller postmark of Chinnampo. My copy is Scott 259 but the company is not yet identified by Adachi.

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*Editor's note: A copy of the Adachi catalog is in the Perfins Club Library and may be borrowed by members wishing more information.*

*We are indebted to Mr. Fisher for his comments on this subject.*



*It's  
that  
time  
again!*

You can save your club some money by paying your 1980-81 dues early. Your dues aren't due until July 1, and if you haven't paid them by then, secretary John Needham will send you a reminder. But that costs money (and time). A check now can save both for us.

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- Y 1341, 1658, 1696
- Z 948, 1120, 1443

If you don't find your membership number on this list, you don't owe dues for 1980-1981 (unless your editor goofed up on the list). But if you do find your number here, send your \$5 now to John L. Needham, 9801 Dewey Drive, Garden Grove, CA 91641. Thank you.

HERE'S ANOTHER PERFIN YOU MAY NOT HAVE



Carr Beebe of San Diego made his own perforator and his CB pattern, shown at left, is listed in the catalog as C-31.5. If you don't have a copy, you can get one either from editor Floyd Walker or from Beebe himself (3545 Villa Terrace, San Diego, CA 92104). Walker has a small supply of 1¢ regular issues with the perfin reading either from the front or the reverse. Beebe will supply the perfin on any current regular or commemorative at your request... provided, of course, that you keep your requests within reason. A stamped return envelope is always requested.

CAPTAIN SAMUEL S. COBB HAS VOLUNTEERED

to compile checklists of the perfins on the Registration stamp (F-1) and the Kansas and Nebraska stamps. Captain Cobb says he will appreciate hearing from members who have any of these stamps in their collections. Just send along a description of the stamp (you can just specify 1¢ Kan or 5¢ Neb, for example) and the catalog number of the perfin. Write him at 1316 Sheppard Avenue, Norfolk, VA 23518. Please do take the time to send along your list; checklists of this type are useless unless everyone participates in putting them together.

MINI  
AUCTION  
OF  
COLLECTIONS

The following collections are all for sale to the highest bidder at 10% over the second highest bid. Send all bids to J. A. Gooding, 923 North Anita Avenue, Gonzales, LA 70737. Buyers must pay all shipping and insurance charges. Include your telephone number with your bid.

Closing date for bids is June 15, 1980

- AUSTRIA Over 1,000 different patterns or variations, mostly in good condition. About 40 incomplete patterns and 30 damaged stamps. Five stamps of Austria Offices in Turkey. Reserve bid: \$125.00
- INDIA Total of 340 different patterns and/or variations. Approximately 26 incomplete or damaged stamps, plus some really light punches. Reserve bid: \$25.00
- SWEDEN Total of 79 different patterns or variations; three incomplete or damaged. Reserve bid: \$20.00
- SWITZERLAND Total of 400 different patterns or variations, less than 20 incomplete or damaged, plus seven different issues of the 9-hole cross. Reserve bid: \$75.00

*6/7/80 Bid \$42.00*

*6/7/80 Bid 27.50*

P-1329  
Mistretta, P A  
326 Choctaw Dr  
Pineville LA 71360

OUR MEMBERSHIP NOW STANDS AT 766

### Secretary's Report

as a result of the addition of two members during the last month. Admittedly, that's not many new members in comparison to recent growth, but some of the articles which have appeared in the philatelic press will likely bring us many more new members in the months ahead.

In the meantime, join us in welcoming...

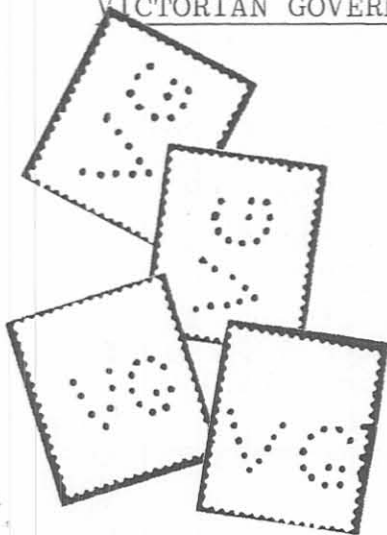
- 1863 H. FREDERICK VOPPER, 2019 East Westmoreland Street,  
Philadelphia, PA 19134, who collects worldwide perfins, and  
1864 RALPH W. SMITH, RR 1, Box 51-P, Dryden, ME 04225, who  
collects U.S. perfins.

And make the following address changes and corrections...

- 1724 FISCHER, RICHARD E., 5967 Pimento Ave., Lakewood, CA 90712  
1347 GARSSON, ROBERT M., Box 341, Indianola, IA 50125  
1521 KRAMER, WAYNE L., 7607 SW 56th, Gainesville, FL 32608  
200 ROSS, J. WILLIAM, Box 575, Lombard, IL 60148  
1092 SPECIAL, MRS. BETTE L., 26 Mobile Home Drive, Greenville,  
SC 29609  
1093 VERNER, JAROSLAV J., American Consulate General, APO  
New York 09215  
1310 WEISS, LARRY S., GPO Box 1528, New York, NY 10001

### VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT PUNCTURES IS THE TITLE

of a new work by John E. Elford of Windsor, Victoria, Australia. It is an extensive study of the four types of VG perfins on the stamps of Australia and States. The 14 pages are crammed with information about these deceptively interesting patterns. We've asked Elford to send us some copies we can sell to members for \$2 each postpaid. The copies at this moment are somewhere on the Pacific on a very slow boat, but they should arrive here about the time you get your check in the mail. Send your \$2 to The Perfins Club, Box 82, Grandview, MO 64030. We'll ship your copy as soon as the boat docks!





# The **Perfins** Bulletin

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## Perfins from the British Caribbean

There aren't many perfins from the British Caribbean area and there isn't all that much known about what few perfins there are. Foreign catalog coordinator Bob Schwerdt would like to publish a complete perfins catalog of the British Caribbean in the *Bulletin*, but he needs your help. Can you add to the information here?

**BARBADOS:** The one known pattern (*L&Co*) has been identified as that of Laurie & Company, Bridgetown.

**BRITISH GUIANA:** The single pattern (*BB/&Co*) is of unknown origin.

**BRITISH HONDURAS:** Are the known patterns (*TEL*, *DEPT*, *D.C./BELIZE*, and *B.H./TELEG*) perfins or cancellations?

**JAMAICA:** The *JTC* pattern was used by the Jamaica Telephone Company from about 1923 to about 1939. The *UFCO* was used by United Fruit Company as recently as 1953. The diamond pattern is of unknown origin.

**LEEWARD ISLANDS:** Nothing is known about *M.C./A.*, *M.D./D*, or *M.D./*.

**ST. KITTS AND NEVIS:** The *M.D./D* is also known on stamps from these islands.

**ST. VINCENT:** *H.S&Co* remains unidentified.

**TRINIDAD:** *G.R.A/&Co* remains unidentified.

**TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO:** Only two patterns (*AC/D* and *DC*) qualify as perfins. *CANCELLED* is a fiscal. The origin of all three remains a mystery.

That's it. Can you offer more information? Only with YOUR help can a British Caribbean perfins catalog eventually be published. Every bit of information (Scott numbers, missing holes, new patterns, postmarks, and covers) helps. Write Bob Schwerdt at 9 Memory Lane, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603.

## IF YOU DIDN'T BUY ANYTHING IN AUCTION 26

it's probably because you have underestimated the impact of inflation on the stamp market--especially the perfins market. Auction chairman Jack Gooding says many bidders bid from \$1 to \$2 on B-rated perfins and from \$4 to \$5 on A-rated material. A few years ago such bids would have been successful, but no more!

The average A-rated perfin in Auction 26 brought \$7.40. One item went for \$12.65. The average B-rated perfin fetched \$3.16, with one bringing \$10.45. The average price paid for a C-rated perfin was \$1.51, with one C-rater taking honors as the highest price U. S. perfin in the auction by bringing in a bid of \$13.50. Remember when C-rated perfins could be had for a quarter?!

Even the lowly D- and E-rated items were shocking. The D-rated jobs brought an average of \$2.90 each and the single E-rated perfin in the auction went for \$11.00! The average Schermack sold for \$5.78.

Canadian perfins also brought handsome prices. Five of the Canadian offerings went for \$20 or more.

The message in all this is clear: if you want a perfin, be prepared to bid high for it. Nice material brings very nice prices.

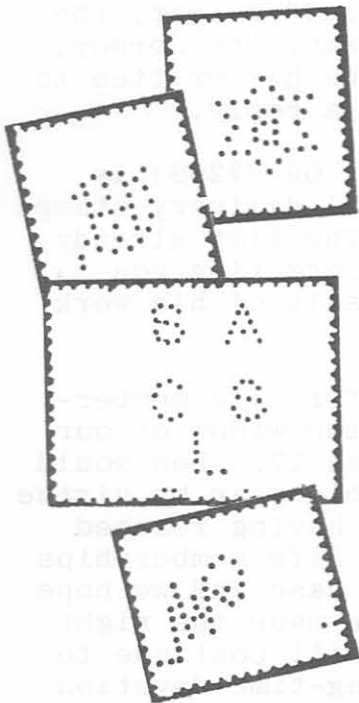
## ANOTHER MARK OF INFLATION IS BANK CHARGES,

especially on checks drawn on Canadian and other foreign banks. Banks in the U. S. are charging hefty fees for converting Canadian to American funds. Since the Club operates on a non-profit basis, we can't afford these charges.

Therefore...effective immediately, the Perfins Club will not accept any checks which do not show the name of a U. S. bank on the front. Many Canadian checks, although they say they are payable in U. S. funds, are drawn on Canadian banks and these cannot be accepted. Canadian checks which do show a U. S. bank, and Canadian postal money orders payable in U. S. funds, will be accepted as always. That's a tough policy, we admit, but we really don't have a choice. We recently paid \$3 in bank charges on a \$4 check. It hurt. If you have any questions, contact treasurer Jack Gooding.



## WORK ON THE CANADIAN CATALOG BY THE BNAPS STUDY GROUP



is progressing and several new patterns have already been reported. We'll summarize the new additions here with the permission of the study group--and with a request that you share any new information you have.

B-1a has a B which is a half millimeter wider than the B in B-1. There are also other minor differences.

C-12u is an International Harvester pattern like U.S. C-152-H7, which was used in Tulsa. This copy is on Canada 350 and is owned by J. Brandt.

C-41 is the first British perfin reported in Canada. The pattern belongs to the Civil Service Supply Association Limited and was found on a 1912 customs stamp by Jon Johnson.

G-13u is similar to G-13, but it has a number of minor differences. It is listed as G-201 in the U.S. catalog, but it is unidentified. The only known cancel is Halifax. It is known on 231,232,254, and 326.

If you can add any information about any of these patterns, write Jonathan Johnson, Box 6119, Station D, Calgary, Alberta T2P 2C7 CANADA.

## JAPANESE PERFINS DON'T ORDINARILY SHOW UP ON U.S. STAMPS

but George Fisher thinks there may be just such a character, if you'll pardon the pun. Fisher refers to U.S. design #23, which is described as a "diamond" in the U.S. catalog and is unidentified.

Fisher points out that the design is also the Japanese character for well (water type) with the Japanese number three in its center. Taken together, the design in Japanese means "three wells."



Fisher goes on to explain that he has three examples of this perfin, one of which has a clear Madison Square Garden, New York, cancel, and all of which came from Japan in a collection of Japanese Perfins. The former owner had identified them as Mitsui and Company, New York branch.

The clincher, according to Fisher, is that Mitsui, in Japanese, means "three wells." (Now you know why mystery novel readers often collect perfins for fun!) Unfortunately, Fisher doesn't have a cover to confirm the identity of his perfin. But maybe somebody out there does.

If you can add to what is known about U.S. design #23, yell at your editor...or at Fisher.

## Clipped from correspondence

Has the state of Illinois been using perfins to pay some bills, or is there some other reason I-0.5 perfins have been showing up around the country in full sheets. We've had reports of the Illinois perfin on the 2¢ Wright, the 15¢ Holmes, and the 2¢ Americana from Texas, New Jersey, and the West Coast. ALAN MISKIMIN says he has written to the Illinois comptroller but has not had a reply.

F. R. McCABE (9656 S.E. Ramona, Portland, OR 97266) is compiling a list of perfins on the special delivery stamps of the U. S. He has about 120 items on the list already, but there surely are more. Share any information you have with Francis and we'll share the result of his work through the *Bulletin* later.

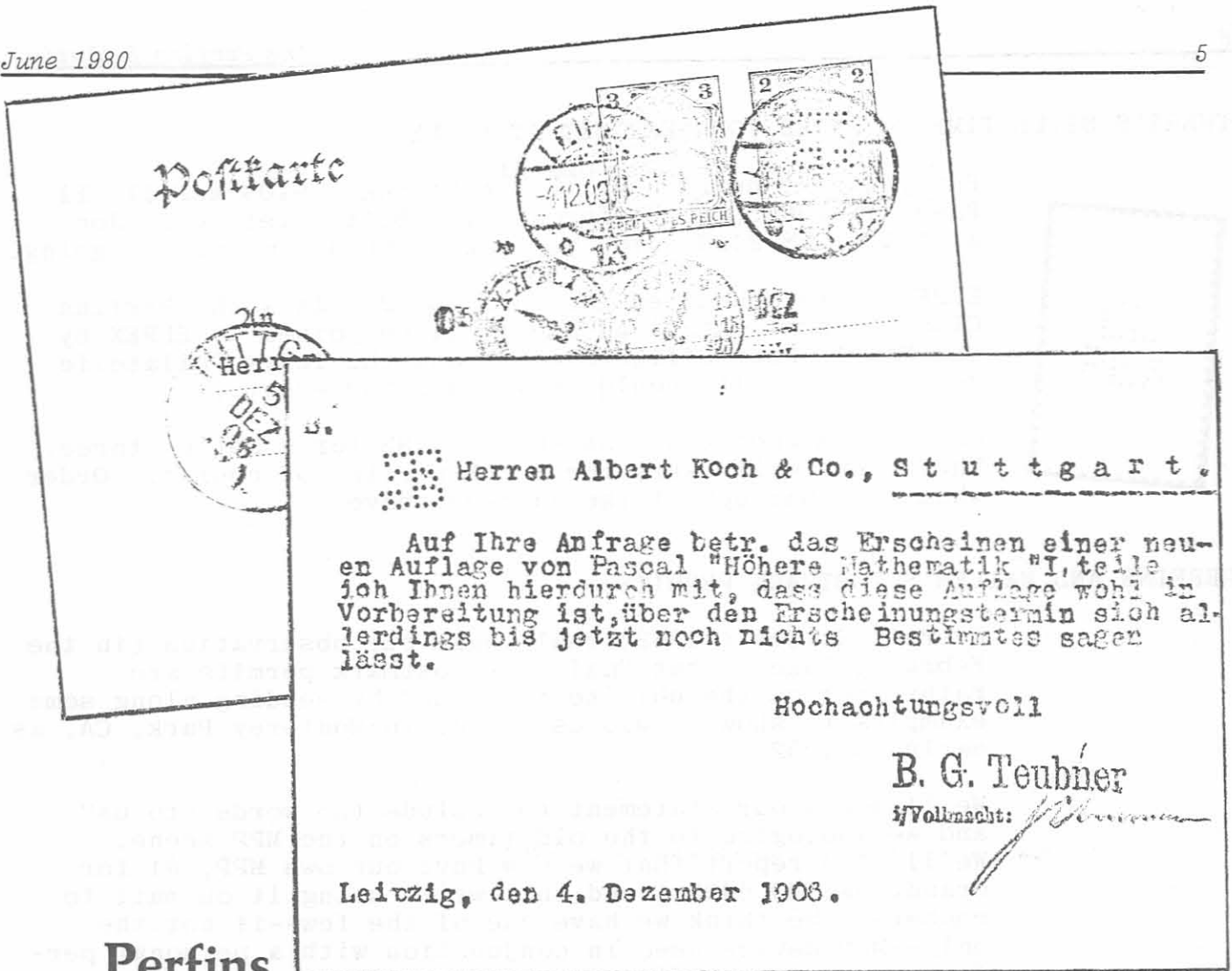
The Executive Committee has voted to confer life membership in the Perfins Club on ETHEL PAUL, the widow of our long-time member, LEN PAUL, who died March 17. Len would have been eligible for life membership this year by virtue of having been a member for 25 years and having reached the age of 65. We don't normally confer life memberships on family members, but Len was a special case and we hope you'll agree that the Executive Committee made the right decision. Incidentally, Ethel says she will continue to add perfins to Len's collection. His long-time devotion to perfins made her a convert.

We made a boo-boo in the April *Bulletin*. We called JON JOHNSON the editor of the *BNA Perforator*. He isn't. He's chairman of the BNAPS Canadian Perfins Study Group. GARY TOMASSON is the editor for the group. Sorry, Gary.

BOB FOLEY (9 Haig Place #604, Dunedin, FL 33528) has a small supply of printed post cards from the Dixie Music Company bearing perfin D-69 which he'll exchange for B-rated perfins from his want list. Bob also has duplicates of the following B-rated items he'll trade: A-268.3, A-46x, A-289.5, B-291, B-223.5, C-250, C-102, G-169, G-193, G-205, J-64, O-20, S-298, and T-120. Write Bob if you've got some B-rated material to trade.

DON'T FORGET to send in your dues if you haven't already done so. Membership numbers of those who need to pay their dues were listed in last month's *Bulletin*.

AND DON'T FORGET that your next *Bulletin* will be the combined July/August issue. Look for a new listing of material in the library plus the complete list of the prices realized in Auction 26 plus whatever else we can squeeze in. If we hold to our schedule, the issue should be in your hands sometime around the first of August. In the meantime, enjoy your perfins, get some summer sun, and don't let your hinges wilt.



## Perfins Cover of the Month

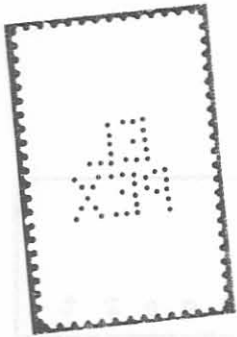
From the collection of our new secretary, John Needham, we show a postal card imprinted with the 2 and 3 pfg values of the Germania type stamps. The perfin of B. G. Teubner is punched through the card and the right hand, 2 pfg, value only. Needham says this perfin appears on many values of German stamps, but this is the first time he has seen it on an imprinted postal card.

IN FEBRUARY 1978, LINN'S STAMP NEWS

saluted the 35th anniversary of the Perfins Club with an issue crammed with more than a dozen articles on perfins collecting. The articles, compiled and edited by Rudy Roy, represent a superb overview of our hobby. Rudy clipped the articles, had them fit onto 8½ by 11 pages, and made copies. If you'd like a copy of the articles, we can supply one for \$1 to cover the cost of postage and reproduction. Send your buck to Floyd Walker, Box 82, Grandview, MO 64030.

## THERE'S STILL TIME TO ENTER YOUR EXHIBIT AT ELPEX

But you best hurry. Write Joe Balough, 9108 McFall, El Paso, TX 79925, for information. Better yet, call Joe at (915) 598-2426. You don't have much time to get going.



ELPEX-80 is scheduled for June 20-22. It's the Perfins Club's annual gathering and we'll be joined at ELPEX by the Mobile Post Office Society and the Texas Philatelic Association. It should be an exciting event.

Covers commemorating the show are \$2 for a set of three. The covers will carry the ELPEX perfin, of course. Order them from Balough at the address above.

## PERFINS AND MAILER'S POSTMARK PERMITS

Everett Stiles (#1363) challenges our observation (in the February issue) that "mailer's postmark permits are rather new on the philatelic scene" by sending along some examples to show he was using one in Monterey Park, CA, as early as 1952.

We'll amend our statement to include the words "to us" and we apologize to the old timers on the MPP scene. We'll also report that we now have our own MPP, #1 for Grandview, MO 64030, and that we're using it on mail to members. We think we have one of the few--if not the only--MPP device used in conjunction with a personal perfin. Can anybody dispute that claim?

If you're interested in having an MPP for your town, you can get more information from Larry and Mary Page, good perfinner both, at Box 1457, Winter Garden, FL 32787. The Pages are responsible for getting us hooked and they're quite active in the field.

FOR SALE AT AUCTION: AN ARGENTINE COLLECTION. Reserve bid is \$35.

The collection consists of 160 different patterns plus the *INUTILIZADO* on four stamps overlapping. O incomplete. All stamps mounted face down on black perfin pages. All patterns are good.

The purchaser must pay all postage and insurance. Include your full mailing address and telephone number with your bid. Bids must be in the hands of the auction chairman, John A. Gooding, 923 Anita Avenue, Gonzales, LA 70737, no later than July 15, 1980.

This collection is part of the Bartleson donation to the Club.

## Research Material

We've salvaged some articles from past issues of the *Bulletin* and we offer them here for the benefit of newer members or members who may have missed them when they were first published. Supplies of the articles are very limited and we offer them at 10¢ per page on a first-come basis. Most of these articles are heavily illustrated and offset printed. Please order by code number and send payment in the form of postage so refunds will be easy. Send orders to Floyd Walker, Box 82, Grandview, MO 64030.

- RB-1 The Perfins of Cuba by Rudy Roy (2 pages)
- RB-2 Perfins of the Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris by Jan Prins (4 pages)
- RB-3 The Perfins of Thomas Cook & Son by Jan Prins (1 p)
- RB-4 The Perfins of Luxembourg by Jan Prins (2 pp)
- RB-5 A Rival for Sloper by Mike Burrows (2 pp)
- RB-6 The Perfins of Colombia by Rudy Roy (3 pp)
- RB-7 Results of New Census: Perfins on 1902-03 Issue (the first Prominent Americans) by Ray Crow (9 pp)
- RB-8 Faroese Perfins by James Baker (1 p)
- RB-9 Foreign Census Results by Robert J. Schwerdt...lists number of reported patterns from each country (3 pp)
- RB-10 The Perfins of Banca Commerciale Italiana by Jan Prins (2 pp)
- RB-11 The Perfins of Palestine by Ray Crow (2 pp)
- RB-12 Perfins of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank by Prins (1 p)
- RB-13 Identifying the Fake of Canada's OH/MS Type 1 by Ken Pugh (1 p)
- RB-14 Perfins on the Map Stamp of Canada by Hanes (1 p)
- RB-15 'SA' Perfins of Victoria and South Australia by E. W. Alderman (1 p)

In the January *Bulletin* we offered copies of some old publications from the 50s and 60s. The response was tremendous and our supply of most articles was quickly depleted. We do have a few copies of some of the articles left, however, and we offer them again. The price is 5¢ per page (these are mimeographed and generally not illustrated). Order the same as above.

- DS-1 Perfins from Puerto Rico (1 page)
- DS-3 International Harvester Company Perfins Used on Foreign Stamps (1 p)
- DS-4 Classifying Perfins According to Position Punched in Stamp (1 p)
- DS-7 The Last Czech Perfin (1 p)
- DS-8 Perfins of the City of Dublin (2 pp)
- DS-10 Perfins from Transvaal and Orange River Colony (1 p)
- DS-14 Perfins of Greece (1 p)

Please use postage to pay for these publications so refunds can be made if we're sold out.

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Mistretta, P A  
326 Choctaw Dr  
Pineville LA 71360

AS WE PREDICTED LAST MONTH, OUR MEMBERSHIP IS GROWING AGAIN

## Secretary's Report

Ten new members have joined us this month to bring our membership to 775. Join us in giving them a warm welcome.

1865	WADDINGTON, C. Jake	Great Britain
	2517 Thomas Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55405	
1866	WEEKS, Thomas H.	Beginner
	657 Greenwood Avenue, Le Mars, IA 51031	
1867	ALBRIGHT, Gary A.	US, CA, GB
	1028 Cathill Road, Sellersville, PA 18960	
1868	PARSONS, Mrs. Vinita A.	Worldwide
	15930 Indiana Avenue, Paramount, CA 90723	
1869	REED, Rose Marie	Worldwide
	Lot 23, Second St., Bowlees Creek Trailer Park Bradenton, FL 33507	
1870	FRANCIS, Eugene	--
	Box 37383, Los Angeles, CA 90037	
1871	MELSON, J. M.	--
	Box 633, Hampton, VA 23669	
1872	BIANCHI, Charles A. Jr.	Beginner
	Box 37, Goose Creek, SC 29445	
1873	HUNT, M. Louise	U. S.
	1924 East Main Street, Spartanburg, SC 29302	
1874	VISSER, Franklin R.	Germanic areas
	16 West Baltimore Street, Lynn, MA 01902	

As usual, our vice president, Dorothy Savage, is responsible for most of these new members. But Dorothy had help from John Needham (#1869 and 1874), Harvey Tilles (1865), and Rudy Roy (1871).

Please make one address change in your roster: LM-30, Mrs. Jacqueline C. Newman, now lives at 800 North Skyview, Drive, El Reno, OK 73036.

When you write to secretary John Needham, please make sure you use the correct zip code. John's address is 9801 Dewey Drive, Garden Grove, CA 92641. We managed to get it wrong in at least one place in last month's *Bulletin*.

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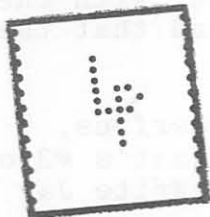
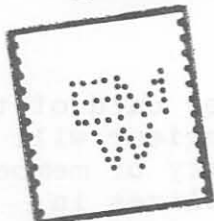
## **Japanese catalog revised**

Word has been received from Dr. Sunao Adachi in Tokyo that the third edition of his Japanese Perfins Catalog will be ready at the end of July.

The new edition shows some additional patterns and reflects increases in the values of "99% of the listed perfins," according to Dr. Adachi. The new edition will again be in Japanese, but a separate listing in English will be provided with copies sold in the U.S.

The Perfins Club again will be the sole distributor of the catalog in the United States. The price is \$10 per copy postpaid. We expect delivery of our supplies this fall and will ship immediately upon arrival here. Orders should be sent to The Perfins Club, Box 82, Grandview, MO 64030.

## **Two new perfins**



Here's two new perfins you can add to your collection. One is brand new; the other has been around for a while.

Ellen M. Weisz acquired her EM/W perfin while she was in London for the APS gathering. She will provide copies at cost or she'll perforate your stamps provided you send along only current issues. Address Ellen at Box 430, Arlington Heights, IL 60006.

La Palma, California, owns the LP pattern and will provide copies to members on their own current stamps or will sell copies at face value. Address requests to John Burns, manager La Palma Chamber of Commerce, 7822 Walker Street, La Palma, CA 90623. John, of course, is our club photographer and it was he who arranged for La Palma to have its own perfin.

Whenever you write either John or Ellen please remember to include a self-addressed stamped envelope if you expect a reply.

## **Forged overprint**

Foreign catalog coordinator Bob Schwerdt says he has confirmed that the German Southwest Africa perfin shown on Worksheet 78 is on a forged overprint. If you have any perfins on GSWA, contact Bob for more information. The worksheet will remain in the library for reference.

### THE HALLOCK CARD AWARD HONORS OUR FOUNDER AND A MEMBER

who is deemed to have earned special recognition for his or her long time service to the Perfins Club and to perfins philately. Previous recipients have included the late Karl Lougee, L. R. Murray, and Leonard Paul; as well as Dave Stump, Dorothy Savage, Floyd Walker, Bob Woolley, Ivan Ley, Jim Harris, Dick Me-whinney, and, last year, Dorothy and Joe Balough.

The award is made on the basis of nominations submitted by the membership and screened by a committee of former recipients chaired by the immediate past recipient.

Your nominations for the 1980 Hallock Card Award should be sent to Joe and Dorothy Balough, 9108 McFall Drive, El Paso, TX 79925, by October 1.

### THE PRESIDENT HAS ISSUED THE OFFICIAL CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

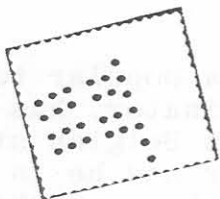
for three year terms as secretary and vice president. John Needham and Dorothy Savage currently hold these two offices and both are expected to be nominated for new terms. However, other members are urged to have their names submitted if they are willing to serve in either office. Nominations require a statement of agreement from the person nominated plus the signatures of two members seconding the nomination. Nominations should be sent to Floyd Walker, chairman of the nominating committee, or to committee members Ivan Ley or Bob Gray, by October 1.

### A GIFT...AND AN OFFER

A beautiful EX perfin of France on a corner card of the Banque National Francaise du Commerce Extérieur will be in an auction soon, thanks to the generosity of member Jay Smith of Madison, WI. Jay, who specializes in Scandinavian philately, sent along the cover with the request that it be offered in an auction and that the proceeds go to the Club. Thanks Jay.

And if you're interested in Faroe Islands perfins, Jay has a few copies of the V.L. pattern (that's #3 on the worksheets) he will sell for \$5 each. Write Jay Smith at Box 9630, Madison, WI 53715.





**Danish  
Perfins:  
An overview  
by  
Den Gamle  
Kollektor**

If you've ever seen the perfin at left on a Danish stamp, you probably recognize it as the design of the Danish flag, *Dannebrog*, which, according to legend, was given to the Danish people in battle about 750 years ago.

Perfins in Denmark don't date back that far, however. It was only in 1876 that Denmark, along with Belgium and Germany, started using the British invention of Joseph Sloper. And, while perfins are no longer permitted in some countries, they are still strong in Denmark--with new perfins continuing to pop up.

Up to 1917, perfin users in Denmark had to submit a formal application to the Danish postmaster general before they could use perfins. Unfortunately, all those early forms have been lost, so we must depend upon covers to confirm the users of early--and later--Danish perfins.

So far, there have been three major works done on Danish perfins. In 1956, Victor J. and Margaret Van Lint of Fontana, California, and E. J. Enschede of the Netherlands collaborated on a *List of Danish Perfins* which showed 693 types with 189 users identified.

In 1968, Peter W. Andersen of Sebring, Florida, put together a *Catalog of Danish Perfins* illustrating about 900 different types. Only a few copies of this catalog are in existence. Andersen died while the catalog was still being put together. After his death, the rather extensive personal collection upon which he based his catalog disappeared. Its whereabouts today is unknown.

In 1974, Julius Ostergaard Hansen of Middlefart, Denmark, published a *List of Danish Perfins* in *Baltespanneren*, and in *Posthistorisk Tidsskrift*. That list showed about 930 types.

Research is continuing in Denmark and a completely new catalog should be ready sometime this fall or early winter. Arrangements have been made for the Perfins Club to offer copies of the catalog to members through the editor of the *Bulletin*.

In the meantime, interested collectors may find much of interest in *The Perfinist*, a new publication which made its initial appearance in March 1979, its second in November, and its third in March of this year. You may receive a free copy of this publication (it is in both Danish and English) by writing *Den Gamle Kollektor*, Peter Engelbrecht, Hindballevej 11, DK 6566, Asperup, Denmark. Please enclose three international reply coupons for airmail postage.

## PERFIN PRECANCELS...OF THE BELGIAN KIND



U. S. perfin precancels have long been a popular topic, but now Bob Schwerdt, our foreign coordinator, has come up with a series of perfin precancels on Belgian stamps. Bob has found six different items so far and he is on the lookout for more so he can put together a worksheet and perhaps a catalog on these items. So far, Bob has isolated a Bruxelles 1914 precancel with a fancy design (which was impossible to copy for illustration), a CR perfin in both a 1922 and 1923 Bruxelles, a U. C. in a Liege 1924, an L. D. C. in a 1929 Antwerpen, and a CPR in a 1937 Antwerpen. Do you have any that Bob doesn't? Write him at 9 Memory Lane, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603.

## RAY CROW REPORTS ON THE PERFINS CLUB CONVENTION AT ELPEX

Nine members of the Perfins Club were on hand to represent the Club at the ELPEX '80 show in El Paso on June 20-22. Several other members were represented by their exhibits in the show.

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'80**  
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Although there was no formal meeting of the Perfins Club during the show, members did manage to get together informally. U. S. Catalog chairman Joe Balough was show chairman. Barbara de Violini of Oxnard, CA, and Ray Crow of Atlanta, GA, served as judges. Also present were Dr. John Doering of Tucson, Ed Haack of Portland, James Hazelton of Las Cruces, NM, and El Paso members Dorothy Balough, Bill Poland, and Marge Seymour.

Perfins Club secretary John Needham won the reserve grand award at ELPEX '80 with his non-perfins exhibit of "The Revenue Stamps of Hessen-Cassel." Joe Balough won a gold medal for his "Perfins: What, Why, How." Balough also won the Perfins Club President's Award for Best Perfins Exhibit. The Karl Lougee Award for Best U. S. Perfins exhibit went to Vernon S. Stroupe of Asheville, NC, for his "Holey Stamps;" the Keith Misegades Award for Best Foreign Perfins Exhibit went to Lee Scamp of Houston for his "Hong Kong Perfins." Scamp is a Hong Kong specialist who is not a Club member. Bronze medals went to Ed Haack of Portland for his "Holey Airs" (airmails and airmail use), to Ronald Howland of Wahiawa, Hawaii, for his "Perfins of Hawaii," and to Edward S. Hoyt of Mechanicsburg, PA, for his "Introduction to Perfins Collecting."

An attractive cacheted cover featuring a reproduction of the Perfins Club pin was issued for the show. The cover is still available from the El Paso Philatelic Society. Orders for the cover, at 75¢ each or three for \$2 should be sent to Henry Gonzales, 421 Huerta, El Paso, TX 79905.

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Algeria	WS-80	Worksheets
Alsace/Lorraine	WS-100	Worksheets
Angola	WS-1	Worksheets
Argentina	WS-46	Worksheets
	LA-4	<u>Argentine Perforated Stamps. Handbook &amp; checklist pub by W. B. L. Bose in 1953</u>
Australia	WS-2	Worksheets
and	BE-1	Clip File
States	BE-18	"The G/NSW Perf Heads," by Heron, 4 pp from <u>Australasian Informer</u> , September 1974
	BE-19	<u>The Tasman Australian States Catalog, 1971.</u>
	BE-20	"Australia's Federal OS Perfins, 1913-1931" Ball & Belknap, 5 pp from <u>SPA Journal</u> 1975.
	BE-25	<u>Victorian Government Punctures</u> , by Elford
Austria	WS-103	Worksheets
Azores	WS-90	Worksheets
Barbados	WS-3	Worksheets
Bavaria	WS-4	Worksheets
	GR-6	"The Semi-Official Perfins of Bavaria" by Prins, and "Perforated Officials from Bavaria" by Hamilton.
Bechuanaland	WS-75	Worksheets (Protectorate)
Belgium	WS-29	Worksheets
	BG-1	Van Lint's 1958 Illustrations
	WS-70	Worksheets (German Occupation)
Bosnia & Herzegovina	WS-64	Worksheets
Borneo	WS-91	Worksheets
Brazil	LA-2	Checklist by D. C. Stump (1950's)
British Colonies	BE-7	Clip File
	BE-24	Ball: <u>A Catalog of British Empire Commemorative and Semipostal Specimen Stamps</u>
British Guiana	WS-5	Worksheets
Bulgaria	BU-1	Maxa: <u>A Catalog of the Perfins of Bulgaria</u>
Burma	WS-72	Worksheets
Cameroons (UKTT)	WS-107	Worksheets
Canada	CA-1	Clip File
	CA-2	"The Story Behind the Perfin (ARI)" by Woolley, 1969.
	CA-3	"Checklist of Identical Designs on Stamps of United States and Canada."
	CA-4	"Perforated Initials Found on Canadian Stamps" by Jephcott, 1951, 16 pp.
	CA-5	<u>Checklist and Catalog of Canadian Postage Stamps Overprinted and Perforated OHMS &amp; G. Wrigley, 1964 edition.</u>

Canada	CA-6	<u>BNAPS: Canadian Stamps With Perforated Initials.</u> 2nd edition, 1961.
continued	CA-7	<u>BNAPS: Canadian Stamps With Perforated Initials.</u> 3rd edition, 1967, w/73 supp.
	CA-8	<u>The Catalog and Guidebook of Canadian Official Stamps.</u> Wrigley & Mohr, 1974.
	CA-9	<u>Textbook and Guide to the Canadian Official OHMS and G Stamps 1923-1963.</u> Pub 1975
	CA-10	<u>Canadian Tagged Errors and Canadian Tagged Perfins.</u> Rose, 1979, privately published.
	CA-11	<u>Perfins of the Province of Saskatchewan,</u> Wrigley types P-10, 10a, and 10b. Jon Johnson, 1979, privately published.
	CA-12	"Forgeries of Canada's OHMS Perfins," by Pugh. Privately published.
	CA-13	<u>C-12 Perfins of International Harvester of Canada.</u> Pearson, privately published 1979.
	CA-14	<u>BNA Perforator.</u> Newsletter of Perfins Study Group of BNAPS.
Canal Zone	LA-1	"Canal Zone Official Perfins." Stump, from <u>Perfins Bulletin.</u>
	LA-3	"Official Stamps Perforated 'P'." Dunaway & Cassibry. Series of articles & notes.
	LA-6	"Punch Perforations of the Canal Zone." Dunaway. From the <u>American Philatelist.</u>
Cape of Good Hope	WS-52	Worksheets
	BE-8	Clip File
Ceylon	WS-6	Worksheets
	BE-9	"CAVE Overprints on the Stamps of Ceylon," Kiddle, from 1974 <u>Cinderella Philatelist.</u>
Chile	WS-7	Worksheets
China	FE-2	"Chinese Anti-Bandit Control Marks," by Kann & Dickie, et al. From <u>China Clipper.</u>
	FE-4	<u>The Sinkiang Official Perfins.</u> Collection of articles.
	FE-5	<u>The Perfins of China.</u> Catalog album pub in 1976 by Tilles.
	FE-6	"Chinese Offices in Turkestan." Starr. From 1922 <u>American Philatelist.</u>
	WS-101	Worksheets: <u>Japanese Occupation of China.</u>
Colombia	WS-48	Worksheets
Corfu	WS-108	Worksheets
Costa Rica	WS-8	Worksheets
Crete	WS-9	Worksheets
Croatia-Slavonia	WS-63	Worksheets
Cuba	WS-44	Worksheets
Curacao	WS-10	Worksheets

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Cyprus	WS-94	Worksheets
Czechoslovakia	CS-1	<u>Perfins from the Territory of Czechoslovakia.</u> Maxa, 1972, with supplements.
	CS-2	German language edition of CS-1.
	CS-3	Czechoslovak language edition of CS-1.
	CS-4	<u>Zpravodaj Perfiny.</u> Bulletin of the Czech Perfins Club.
	CS-5	"The Last Czech Perfin," by Maxa.
	CS-6	<u>Catalog Perfinu.</u> Revised Czech language version of CS-1.
Danzig	WS-11	Worksheets
Denmark	WS-43	Worksheets
	DA-1	Clip File
	DA-2	<u>The Perfinist.</u> Bulletin of the Danish Perfins Study Group.
East Africa	WS-77	Worksheets
Eastern Silesia	WS-12	Worksheets
Egypt	ME-1	<u>Perfins of the Middle East.</u> Album catalog published by Tilles in 1976.
	BE-10	"Perfins on Egyptian Stamps," by Dr. Winter, 7 pages, published 1970-71.
	WS-102	Worksheets for UAR
Eritrea	WS-76	Worksheets
Faroe Islands	WS-106	Worksheets
Finland	WS-86	Worksheets
	FN-1	Clip File
Fiume	WS-13	Worksheets
France	WS-50	Worksheets. Copies of Bartleson collection; illustrations only, no identifications.
	FR-1	Clip File
	FR-2	<u>Les Timbres Francais Perfores.</u> Clips from <u>LeMonde</u> of LeBland's catalog.
	FR-3	"Perfins of the Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris," by Prins. Bulletin, 1976.
	FR-4	"The Perfins of France's Societe Generale," by Prins. <u>Bulletin</u> , 1976
	WS-65	Worksheets. French Offices in China
	WS-60	Worksheets. German Occupation
	WS-79	Worksheets. AMG issues.
French Morocco	WS-73	Worksheets
French West Africa	WS-89	Worksheets
Funchal	WS-14	Worksheets
Germany	WS-45	Worksheets. Continuously revised, now in four volumes. Work of Needham and Stuntzner and will lead to publication of catalog. Basic work in field at this time.

- Germany continued
- GR-1 Clip File
- GR-2 Clip File: POL Perfins of Germany
- GR-3 "Use of Perfins in Offices and Colonies of the German Empire," by Gault
- GR-5 "Private German Perfins," by Theuss, 1976
- WS-45a Worksheets: German Federal Republic
- WS-45b Worksheets: AMG - 3N numbers
- WS-45c Worksheets: German Locals
- WS-45d Worksheets: British & American Zones
- WS-45e Worksheets: Baden - 5N numbers
- WS-45f Worksheets: Soviet Zone
- German SW Africa WS-78 Worksheets
- Gibraltar WS-15 Worksheets
- Gold Coast WS-16 Worksheets
- Great Britain
- GB-1 Catalog of Identified Perfins of Great Britain, Volume 1: A - F
- GB-2 Same, Volume 2: G - O
- GB-3 Same, Volume 3: P - end
- GB-4 Simplified Catalog of the Perfins of Great Britain. Volume 1: A - I
- GB-5 Same, Volume 2: J - end
- GB-6 Catalog of Illustrations of British Perfins Van Lint, 1959.
- GB-7 "The Introduction of Punctured Endorsements" by Charles Jennings.
- GB-8 The Handbook of British Perfins. Nelson.
- GB-9 "The Official Stamps of Great Britain," by Bernstein.
- GB-10 "The College Stamps of Oxford and Cambridge."
- GB-11 "The Perfins of Great Britain," by Bowman
- GB-12 "Private Underprints," by Willcocks
- GB-13 "Experimental Cancellations on the First Post Card Issue of Great Britain," by Lutz
- GB-14 "Perforated Officials of Great Britain and Colonies to 1939," by Gunthorpe.
- GB-15 "The Board of Trade Perforated Official Stamps of Great Britain," by Jackson.
- GB-16 "Prevention of Stamp Thefts by Employees," by Howard.
- GB-17 Clip File
- GB-18 Catalog of Official Perfins of Great Britain, by Thornton.
- GB-19 Perfins Used by Local Government Offices. I: Municipal Arms & Aberdare to Darwen.
- GB-20 Same. II: Ealing to Middleton.
- GB-21 Same. III: Macclesfield to York
- GB-22 Miscellaneous articles from SEPS: 1
- GB-23 Miscellaneous articles from SEPS: 2
- GB-24 SEPS Bulletin News Pages, 1959 to 1962
- GB-25 Same, 1963 to 1965

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Great Britain GB-26 SEPS Bulletin News Pages, 1966 to 1967  
Continued GB-27 Same, 1968 to 1969  
GB-28 Same, 1970 to 1971

Note: GB-22 through GB-28 along with GB-1 thru GB-5 and 19 thru 21 form a complete set of the SEPS Bulletin from 1959 thru 1971. The SEPS Bulletin from 1971 to date is listed beginning with GB-100.

GB-29 The Tilles Catalog of the Perfins of Great Britain. The catalog is broken into sections as it was issued for convenience in mailing.

GB-29-1 Introduction & letter O

GB-29-2 Letters D, E, F, K, Q, U, V, X, Y, Z

GB-29-3 Letters A & B

GB-29-4 Letters G, I, & J

GB-29-5 Letters L, M, N, & P

GB-29-6 Letters R, T, Numerals, & Designs

GB-29-7 Letters C & H

GB-29-8 Letters S & W

GB-30 "The Perfins of Thomas Cook & Son," by Prins

GB-31 "Fiscal Perfins of Ireland and Great Britain by Burrows & Tennant.

GB-32 "Perforated Insignia: The Story of Joseph Sloper and British Perfins," by Walker.

GB-33 British Stamps Perforated With Firms' Initials (SPIFS) by Vallancey.

GB-34 The History of British Security Stamps by Jennings. 379 pages.

GB-35 Railway Perfins of Great Britain by Bowman.

GB-100 SEPS Bulletin 1971

GB-101 SEPS Bulletin 1972

GB-102 SEPS Bulletin 1973

GB-103 SEPS Bulletin 1974

GB-104 SEPS Bulletin 1975

GB-105 SEPS Bulletin 1976

GB-106 SEPS Bulletin 1977

GB-107 SEPS Bulletin 1978

GB-108 SEPS Bulletin 1979

GB-109 SEPS Bulletin 1980

Greece WS-27 Worksheets

GC-1 Clip File

Guatemala WS-93 Worksheets

Haiti WS-17 Worksheets

Hong Kong BE-11 Clip File

BE-23 The Perfins of Hong Kong by Tilles

Hungary HY-1 Clip File on the Hungarian official stamps with 3-hole punches.



Hungary	HY-2	<u>Perfins of Hungary</u> by Maxa, Malyon, and Grof. Preliminary edition. See HY-4
Continued	HY-3	"The Perfins of Hungary," by Maxa. From PB 1975.
	HY-4	<u>The Perfins of Hungary</u> by Maxa. Published 1978 by Malyon. Fully illustrated.
Hyderabad	BE-12	Clip File
India	WS-41	Worksheets
	BE-6	"Perfins," by Bayanwala. 4 pp, 1975.
	BE-21	"Perfin Stamps of Cochin," by David. No illustrations, but checklist.
	BE-22	"Perfins of India," by Bayanwala. 7 pp.
Indo-China	WS-66	Worksheets
Ireland	WS-49	Worksheets
	BE-2	Clip File
Italy	WS-18	Worksheets
	WS-18a	Worksheets - AMG
	WS-18b	Worksheets - Trieste
	IT-1	Clip File
Jamaica	BE-13	Clip File
Japan	JA-1	<u>Indispensable Possession Pierced Stamps</u> , by Adachi. Tokyo: 1950. In Japanese.
	JA-2	<u>Japan Perfins Catalog</u> , by Acachi. Tokyo: 1972. See JA-4 for later edition.
	JA-3	<u>Partial Translation of the 1972 Edition of the Adachi Catalog</u> , by Wright.
	JA-4	<u>Japan Perfins Catalog</u> , by Adachi. Illustrated updated version of JA-2.
	JA-5	Clip File
	JA-6	"Japanese Perfins," by Alexander, 4 pp.
	JA-7	"Japanese Perfins, cont.," by Alexander, 9 pp.
	JA-8	"Cancellation by Perforation," by Fisher.
	JA-9	"Private Control Overprints," 3 pp.
	JA-10	"The Sasebo Anchor Perfin," 1 p.
	JA-11	"Using the Adachi Japanese Perfins Catalog," by Fisher. 1 p.
	WS-88	Worksheet - Additions to Adachi
	WS-84	Worksheet - Japanese Offices in China
Jugoslavia	WS-99	Worksheets
Kiautschou	WS-19	Worksheets
Latin America	LA-5	Clip File
Latvia	WS-20	Worksheets
	LV-1	Clip File
Lebanon	WS-21	Worksheets
	ME-1	<u>The Perfins of the Middle East</u> , by Tilles

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Leeward Islands	BE-14	Clip File
Liechtenstein	WS-98	Worksheets
Lithuania	WS-36	Worksheets
Lourenco Marquez	WS-22	Worksheets
Luxembourg	WS-47	Worksheets
Madagascar	WS-23	Worksheets
Malaya	FE-8	"Perforated Initials on the Stamps of the Straits Settlements and Malaya," by Dewey.
	WS-87	Worksheets
Malta	WS-37	Worksheets
Manchuria	FE-3	"The Anti-Bandit Control Marks of Manchuria," by Johnson.
	WS-83	Worksheets (Manchukuo)
Mauritius	WS-51	Worksheets
Memel	WS-71	Worksheets
Mexico	WS-24	Worksheets
Monaco	WS-67	Worksheets
Morocco Offices	WS-82	Worksheets
Natal	WS-53	Worksheets
Netherlands	NE-1	Clip File
	NE-2	<u>POKO Issues of the Netherlands</u> by Bader, 1974 edition.
	NE-3	<u>POKO Issues of the Netherlands</u> by Bader, updated 1975 edition.
	NE-4	<u>List of the Perfins of the Netherlands, Curacao, the Netherlands Antilles, and the Netherlands Indies</u> by Enschede. 1976.
New Zealand	BE-3	Clip File
	BE-4	<u>New Zealand Stamps with Perforated Initials</u> by Samuel, 1968.
	BE-5	<u>The Tasman Catalog of New Zealand Perfins.</u>
Nigeria	WS-60	Worksheets
North Borneo	WS-91	Worksheets
Norway	WS-31	Worksheets
	NO-1	Clip File
Orange River Colony	WS-25	Worksheets
Pakistan	WS-25	Worksheets
Palestine	WS-35	Worksheets
	ME-1	<u>The Perfins of the Middle East</u> by Tilles
	BE-15	Clip File

Papau	WS-38	Worksheets
Paraguay	WS-97	Worksheets
Persia	ME-1	<u>Perfins of the Middle East</u> by Tilles
Philippines	FE-1	"Philippine Commercial Postage Stamps," by Warren.
	FE-9	"Perfins of the Philippines." Two articles.
	WS-85	Worksheets
Poland	PO-1	Clip File
Polish Ofc in Danzig	WS-30	Worksheets
Portugese Guinea	WS-92	Worksheets
Reunion	WS-105	Worksheets
Rhodesia	WS-59	Worksheets
	WS-61	Worksheets (Rhodesia & Nyasaland)
Romania	WS-28	Worksheets
	RO-1	<u>The Perfins of Romania</u> by Jan Prins, 10 pp.
	RO-2	"Notes on Romanian Perfins," by Maxa, 4 pp.
Rouad Island	WS-96	Clip File
Russia	RU-1	Clip File
	RU-2	"The Perfins of Russia," and additional notes by Maxa. 9 pp.
	WS-104	Worksheets
Saar	WS-58	Worksheets
St. Thomas & Prince	WS-81	Worksheets
Schleswig	WS-68	Worksheets
Sierre Leone	WS-39	Worksheets
Slovenia	WS-63	Worksheets
Southern Rhodesia	WS-62	Worksheets
Spain	SP-1	Clip File
Sri Lanka	WS-95	Worksheets
Straits Settlements	WS-32	Worksheets
	FE-8	Clip File
Sudan	ME-1	<u>The Perfins of the Middle East</u> by Tilles
Sweden	WS-42	Worksheets
	SV-1	Clip File
Switzerland	SW-1	Clip File
	SW-2	<u>The Perfins of Switzerland</u> , 72 pp.
Thailand	WS-57	Worksheets
	FE-7	Clip File
Transvaal	WS-55	Worksheets
	BE-16	Clip File

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- Tunisia WS-74 Worksheets
- Turkestan FE-6 "Chinese Offices in Turkestan," by Starr.
- Turkey ME-1 Perfins of the Middle East, by Tilles
- Union of South Africa WS-54 Worksheets  
BE-17 Clip File
- United States The 1966 issue of the Illustrated Catalog of United States Perfins has been broken into sections to facilitate mailing and handling.
- US-1 Letter A
- US-2 Letter B
- US-3 Letter C
- US-4 International Harvester (CHI) thru E
- US-5 Letters F & G
- US-6 Letters H through J
- US-7 Letters K through M
- US-8 Letter N through New York Life Insurance
- US-9 Letters O through Q
- US-10 Letters R & S
- US-11 Letters T through end of catalog
- US-12 A&C pages for illustrated catalog
- US-13 Relative Ratings (by Cain)
- The 1979 issue of the U. S. Perfins Catalog is also available in sections.
- US-36 Introduction and letters A & B
- US-37 Letters C through E
- US-38 Letters F through K
- US-39 Letters L through N
- US-40 Letters O through S
- US-41 Letters T through designs
- US-42 Sections II through V
- US-14 Railroad Perfins of the United States and Canada, ed by James P. Harris. Standard railroad catalog.
- US-15 Illustrations of U. S. Perfins, Van Lint, published in 1958.
- US-16 Catalog of Perforate Initial Stamps of the U. S., comp by Hallock Card in 1945. Goes only through letter M. Historical interest.
- US-17 "The Perfins of Hawaii," Pickop, 2 pp.
- US-18 "Perfins on the Bureau Issues of 1902," from PB.
- US-19 Clip File
- US-20 "Puerto Rico Official Perforations," 1 p.
- US-21 "A Checklist of Perfins on the U. S. Parcel Post Stamps (Q1-Q10)," by Sperring, 5 pp.
- US-22 "A Checklist of Perfins Used by Banks, Trust Companies, and Related Institutions," by Gooding, by pp.
- US-23 "Punched Control Markings on Schermack Type III Coils," by Lougee, 8 pp.

United States	US-24	Schermack Clip File
Continued	US-25	<u>Topical Approaches to U. S. Perfins</u> , a clip file of articles.
	US-26	<u>Additions and Corrections to the U. S. Mimeographed Perfins Catalog</u>
	US-27	<u>Perfins of Railroads and Railroad Non-Operatives, Joint Associations, Bureaus, and Agencies.</u> 15 pp.
	US-28	<u>Topical Perfin Listing</u> , by Swenson. Checklists of banks, schools, and insurance companies.
	US-29	Precancel Perfin Clip File
	US-30	State Perfins Clip File
	US-31	"Perfin Words Make Perfin Poetry," by Walker. Checklist of words on perfins.
	US-32	"S. Swan and Embossed 3¢ 1851 Stamps, a Postal History Detective Story," by Meyer.
	US-33	<u>Perfins on the U. S. Offset Printing Issue</u> , by Bennett.
	US-34	<u>Perfins of U. S. Companies Abroad</u> , by Prins.
	US-35	<u>The Airmail Special Delivery Stamps of the United States</u> , by Sloat. Includes perfins.
Upper Silesia	WS-56	Worksheets
Wurttemberg	WS-34	Worksheets
Zanzibar	WS-40	Worksheets
Revenues	MI-11	Revenue Clip File
	MI-22	<u>Revenue Perfins Catalog</u> . Computerized listing of U.S. Revenues prepared by Richerson. Incomplete
	MI-23	<u>Revenue Perfins Checklist</u> . Condensed version of MI-22
Officials	OF-1	<u>Album for Official Perfins</u> , by Van Lint.
	OF-2	Clip File
	OF-3	<u>Catalog of Official Perfins of Great Britain</u> , by Thornton.
	OF-4	<u>Catalog of Official Perfins</u> (Part 1: GB and Europe through Hungary), by Mary Thornton.
	OF-5	Same as OF-4 (Part 2: Balance of world).
	OF-6	Guy Buvat de Virginy: <u>Los Sellos Oficiales de Venezuela</u> . Covers the GN perfins.
Miscellaneous	MI-1	Clip File
	MI-2	<u>Perfins Machinery</u> . Articles, patent copies, and so on.
	MI-3	<u>Covers of the Month</u> . Clips from <u>Bulletin</u>
	MI-4	"What's a FREP?" Xerox of exhibit from ELPEX-73.
	MI-5	<u>The Perfins Writings of Victor Van Lint</u> .

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| Miscellaneous | MI-6  | "Collecting Perfins," by Cain. 8 pp.  |
| continued     | MI-7  | "Worldwide Perfins of the Eastman Kodak Company," 1 p.                                  |
|               | MI-8  | "International Harvester Perfins Used on Foreign Stamps," 1 p.                          |
|               | MI-9  | "The Birthright of Perfins," by Jennings, 4 pp.   |
|               | MI-10 | "Designs on Perfins," by Van Lint, 5 pp.  |
|               | MI-12 | <u>Cancellations Identify Perfins Users.</u><br>Clips of articles from <u>Bulletin.</u> |
|               | MI-13 | <u>"World Perfins Checklist,"</u> lists 215 ctys.                                       |
|               | MI-15 | <u>Mounting and Exhibiting Perfins.</u> Clip File.                                      |
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**Prices Realized: Auction 26**

Lot	Price	Lot	Price	Lot	Price	Lot	Price	Lot	Price	Lot	Price	Lot	Price
1	3.75	51	3.25	98	3.50	148	2.80	198	2.25	248	4.50	298	8.35
2	.50	52	8.45	99	3.25	149	4.00	199	3.25	249	3.25	299	3.25
3	3.50	53	3.25	100	3.25	150	3.50	200	3.25	250	3.25	300	3.25
4	3.50	54	3.25	101	.50	151	3.00	201	.85	251	7.40	301	2.25
5	3.25	55	3.00	102	1.90	152	2.75	202	2.75	252	2.55	302	6.10
6	2.75	56	3.25	103	1.90	153	3.25	203	5.50	253	3.25	303	2.55
7	3.50	57	3.25	104	2.55	154	2.55	204	2.55	254	8.45	304	3.25
8	1.40	58	3.00	105	3.00	155	3.25	205	2.55	255	4.80	305	3.25
9	1.60	59	7.15	106	7.70	156	3.25	206	5.60	256	2.75	306	2.00
10	1.30	60	1.10	107	2.25	157	3.25	207	5.00	257	2.75	307	2.75
11	2.55	61	1.25	108	7.00	158	2.55	208	3.00	258	4.75	308	3.75
12	3.25	62	6.10	109	6.10	159	3.25	209	.80	259	1.95	309	5.00
13	7.45	63	.80	110	2.55	160	3.00	210	5.60	260	2.25	310	2.25
14	8.45	64	8.45	111	3.50	161	3.25	211	3.25	261	3.25	311	3.25
15	3.25	64a	.30	112	3.50	162	3.25	212	3.25	262	3.50	312	3.25
16	3.25	64b	.20	113	3.25	163	3.00	213	3.25	263	2.25	313	4.50
17	2.00	65	.55	114	4.50	164	10.45	214	3.25	264	3.25	314	nb
18	3.25	66	5.50	115	4.00	165	3.25	215	3.00	265	3.00	315	6.70
19	2.55	67	1.60	116	3.25	166	2.55	216	3.25	266	3.25	316	4.75
20	3.30	68	3.25	117	2.10	167	3.25	217	3.25	267	2.25	317	8.45
21	.45	69	3.25	118	3.25	168	1.90	218	3.25	268	2.55	318	2.00
22	2.20	70	8.45	119	3.25	169	2.00	219	5.50	269	3.25	319	2.55
23	3.25	71	5.50	120	4.00	170	8.30	220	5.60	270	1.60	320	3.50
24	2.50	72	3.25	121	3.25	171	10.70	221	2.55	271	1.60	321	3.25
25	3.25	73	3.00	122	3.25	172	3.00	222	5.00	272	2.25	322	3.25
26	3.25	74	7.40	123	3.25	173	2.00	223	6.20	273	2.25	323	2.75
27	3.25	75	6.05	124	8.50	174	5.50	224	2.85	274	3.25	324	3.25
28	3.35	76	3.25	125	1.10	175	3.25	225	3.25	275	3.10	325	3.25
29	2.20	77	4.25	126	3.25	176	3.25	226	3.25	276	3.10	326	1.60
30	2.55	78	3.75	127	3.25	177	8.45	227	3.25	277	3.25	327	3.25
31	7.50	79	4.00	128	2.25	178	5.00	228	2.55	278	8.45	328	3.25
32	3.50	80	7.40	129	6.10	179	3.25	229	3.50	279	3.25	329	3.25
33	3.25	81	2.25	130	2.25	180	3.25	230	13.50	280	2.25	330	12.65
34	3.25	82	3.50	131	3.45	181	3.25	231	2.55	281	2.25	331	3.25
35	3.50	83	3.75	132	2.50	182	5.50	232	9.35	282	2.25	332	3.25
36	3.25	84	7.40	133	3.25	183	2.25	233	1.10	283	8.45	333	3.25
37	2.25	84a	10.70	134	4.75	184	7.40	234	4.75	284	8.45	334	5.50
38	3.50	85	3.25	135	3.25	185	2.00	235	3.25	285	5.00	335	3.25
39	3.50	86	8.65	136	3.25	186	nb	236	6.90	286	3.25	336	3.25
40	.90	87	2.15	137	3.25	187	2.55	237	3.50	287	6.10	337	3.50
41	2.55	88	2.50	138	2.00	188	.80	238	4.75	288	5.00	338	3.25
42	nb	89	3.25	139	1.60	189	11.00	239	2.55	289	5.00	339	2.00
43	3.25	90	2.10	140	3.25	190	3.25	240	2.50	290	3.25	340	5.00
44	9.25	91	3.25	141	3.25	191	2.55	241	4.75	291	8.45	341	.80
45	3.50	92	5.50	142	3.50	192	nb	242	2.55	292	2.00	342	2.75
46	2.25	93	10.70	143	3.25	193	7.80	243	3.25	293	4.75	343	3.25
47	13.25	94	w/d	144	2.80	194	6.60	244	3.25	294	5.00	344	3.25
48	3.25	95	2.00	145	3.50	195	6.60	245	1.60	295	1.50	345	1.35
49	3.25	96	2.50	146	3.25	196	2.55	246	2.50	296	2.50	346	7.80
50	.50	97	3.25	147	5.00	197	8.45	247	4.75	297	3.25	347	3.25

Lot	Price	Lot	Price	Lot	Price	Lot	Price	Lot	Price	Lot	Price
348	3.00	399	3.25	450	2.00	500	7.70	546	2.25	576	1.60
349	2.55	400	3.25	451	10.45	501	4.75	547	4.25	Germany	
350	7.80	401	2.35	452	7.40	502	5.55	548	2.50	577	.55
351	3.50	402	3.00	453	2.25	503	5.50	549	2.55	578	.55
352	3.50	403	3.00	454	2.25	504	6.05	550	22.00	579	5.00
353	3.25	404	2.25	455	2.55	505	5.55	551	22.00	580	.50
354	1.60	405	3.25	456	2.55	506	6.00	552	1.25	581	.50
355	5.00	406	2.55	457	2.25	507	4.75	553	1.85	582	.75
356	3.00	407	4.35	458	5.00	508	7.70	554	1.60	593	.50
357	2.50	408	3.25	459	2.30	509	6.30	555	5.55	584	.95
358	1.60	409	3.25	460	3.25	510	7.70	556	2.50	585	1.00
359	6.05	410	6.10	461	3.25	511	5.50	557	2.25	586	.55
360	3.50	411	6.10	462	2.35	512	5.55	558	6.60	587	.55
361	3.25	412	3.25	463	.55	513	5.00	559	7.15	588	1.90
362	2.35	413	5.50	464	3.25	154	6.05	560	2.50	589	.55
363	2.75	414	1.35	465	2.25	515	3.50	561	1.30	590	.35
364	nb	415	3.25	466	5.75	516	5.50	562	1.60	591	2.50
365	3.50	416	3.00	467	nb	517	7.70	563	2.50	592	.45
366	2.00	417	3.25	468	3.25	518	9.05	564	2.25	593	1.35
367	3.50	418	3.25	469	3.00	519	4.00	565	16.50	594	3.65
368	3.05	419	3.25	470	1.60	520	7.70	566	1.30	595	6.60
369	5.50	420	7.15	471	3.25	521	1.10	567	4.50	596	6.60
370	4.50	421	.65	472	3.75	522	6.30	568	3.75	597	.65
371	1.85	422	8.45	473	3.00	523	1.10	569	5.00	598	.75
372	3.25	423	3.35	474	3.50	524	5.55	570	2.25	599	3.50
373	8.45	424	1.95	475	3.25	525	6.05	571	2.25	600	5.50
374	3.00	425	3.25	476	2.30	526	3.50	572	1.30	601	3.25
375	5.00	426	3.25	477	3.25	Covers		573	1.60	End	
376	2.85	427	3.25	478	3.25	526a	nb	574	2.25	of	
377	6.10	428	3.00	479	2.25	526b	1.00	575	2.50	Sale	
378	.65	429	3.50	480	3.25	526c	1.00				
379	3.00	430	3.25	481	3.00	Canada					
380	13.20	431	2.75	482	6.05	527	2.50				
381	2.00	432	3.25	483	3.75	528	25.00				
382	3.25	433	2.00	484	11.00	529	2.25				
383	nb	434	2.25	485	6.05	530	2.75				
384	3.00	435	3.25	486	3.00	531	2.85				
385	2.25	436	3.00	487	4.10	532	5.50				
386	3.00	437	3.25	488	1.50	533	1.85				
387	6.10	438	3.00	489	4.50	534	1.85				
388	3.00	439	3.25	490	5.50	535	1.75				
389	2.55	440	3.25	491	4.70	536	2.25				
390	2.00	441	3.00	Schermacks		537	4.75				
391	3.50	442	4.25	492	6.60	538	4.25				
392	1.95	443	5.50	493	6.60	539	22.00				
393	3.25	444	12.10	494	9.05	540	4.50				
394	3.25	445	3.25	495	6.30	541	4.25				
395	2.75	446	3.25	496	6.35	542	22.00				
396	3.50	447	1.40	497	6.00	543	3.00				
397	3.00	448	3.00	498	5.50	544	2.25				
398	3.25	449	2.25	499	5.50	545	4.75				

If you didn't buy  
what you wanted  
in the auction,  
try the  
Sales Department.

And if you have good  
material for sale,  
the Sales  
Department  
is a good way to  
turn it into  
cash.

Write

Ivan Ley  
Arena, WI 53503



**Briefly  
noted**

If you haven't paid your 1980-81 dues yet, please do so today. Send your check for \$5 to John Needham, 9801 Dewey Drive, Garden Grove, CA 92641. You won't want to miss what's ahead for club members in 1981.

Larry Owen, who lives at 3887 Antigua Circle, Dallas, TX 75234, has these A-rated perfins he'll trade: A-288, C-292, D-27.5, F-127, L-114, L-138.5, M-135, M-170, N-63, N-207, T-15, & W-71.5. Larry also has some B & C rated perfins he'll swap. Write him if you're interested.

Captain Samuel Cobb, who volunteered to put together a checklist of perfins on the registration stamp (F-1) and another of perfins on the Kansas-Nebraska series, says information is a bit slow coming in. Your help is needed. Tell the Captain what you have in your collection on these two items. The end result will be of benefit to all of us. Write Captain Cobb at 1316 Sheppard Avenue, Norfolk, VA 23518.

**Members  
on  
the  
move**

Some of our members have been on the move this summer. Please record these address changes in your directory.

- 1008 Harold P. Baecker, 12101 Lomas NE, Box 69, Albuquerque, NM 87112
- 1279 MaryAnn J. Bowman, Box 1451, Waukesha, WI 53187
- 1705 Peter F. Buckley, 107 Glenwood Road, Hampton, VA 23669
- 1656 Jack Davis, Box 1839, Peterborough, Ontario K9J 7X6 CANADA
- LM-71 M. J. Driscoll, Naval Res Readcom Reg 7, Naval Base Code 37, Charleston, SC 29408
- 1608 David H. Elfman, 10525, Riverside, CA 92505
- 1841 Kenneth J. Faulkner, c/o Limback Company, Box 32466, Decatur, GA 30032
- 1674 Alberto R. Garate, 435 SW 96 Court, Miami, FL 33174
- 1511 Gaetan Guilbert, 229 Taillon, St. Basile-le-Grand, Quebec JOL 1S0 CANADA
- 1223 David E. Harding, 403-928 Southgate Street, Victoria, B. C. V8V 2Y2 CANADA
- 966 Florence Harrell, Box 517, Lucerne, CA 95458
- 1769 David W. Hopper, 22 Gresham Road, Toronto, Ontario M4S 2Z9
- 1625 John C. Jenkins, 2938 Shawn Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670
- 1790 Blanche Miller, Box 20527, El Cajon, CA 92021
- 1637 Harry L. Myers, 1789 Aberdeen Circle, Crofton, MD 21114
- 1683 Craig Pinchen, 320 The West Mall, Apt 306, Etobicoke, Ontario M9C 1C8 CANADA
- 1869 Rose M. Reed, 5695 Highland Hill Drive, Highland, MI 48031
- LM-66 Terry L. Rowe, 432 N. Main Street, Urbana, OH 43078
- LM-45 Vernon S. Stroupe, Box 8879, Asheville, NC 28804
- 1327 Thomas Washington, PSC Box 1612, Andrews AFB, DC 20331

Have a good summer. Your next Bulletin should reach you sometime in early September.

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Mistretta, P A  
326 Choctaw Dr  
Pineville LA 71360

### **The secretary's report**

Our membership stands at 781 as of the latest reports from Secretary John Needham. Join us in welcoming these new members.

1875	Leonard W. Gardner 458 Two Mile Creek Road, Tonawanda, NY 14150	U. S.
1876	Betty R. Mertl 20823 Marine View Drive SW, Seattle, WA 98166	Beginner U. S.
1877	Charles E. Kolb Sr. 101 Dunbury Drive, Summerville, SC 29483	Beginner
1878	Allen Pollock Box 243, Jefferson City, MO 65102	Beginner
1879	Wilfred J. Finch Box 32304, Phoenix, AZ 85064	Automotive & AZ
1880	James Cuthbert RR #4, Stayner, Ontario LOM 1S0 CANADA	U. S. & Canada
1881	H. Dudley Glass 1001 West Bower, Harrison, AR 72601	Foreign
1882	J. Douglas Syson Box 5184, Bisbee, AZ 85603	Bavaria
1883	James E. Sneed 2307 Moultrie Road, Camden, SC 29020	Railroads
1884	Gordon S. Veith Box 51011, New Orleans, LA 70151	Canada & G. B.

New member #1879 was signed up by Al Gerstenberger, Jon Johnson rounded up #1880, #1881 was recruited by Ona McKee, and John Needham is responsible for #1882. The rest are the work of super-veep Dorothy Savage.

Resignations: Frederick H. Rautenberg (1103), Louise McGraw (1782), and Glenn R. Norman (1463).

Closed Albums: Roger K. Gross (1721)

Address Corrections: Wayne L. Kramer (1521) lives at 7607 SW 56th Avenue in Gainesville, FL 32601. The zip code for George A. Fisher Jr. (1152) should be 80127.

Address changes are on page 19 of this issue.

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## The story behind the perfin?

This cover notes *RÜCKGLIEDERUNG DES SELFKANTS* and it carries a pair of German Europa commemoratives perfinned *SELFKANT*. Now, who can add to the story? The perfin isn't to be found in the German worksheets and foreign catalog coordinator Bob Schwerdt (who owns the cover) would like information from any member.

## Don't forget your dues

If you haven't paid your 1980-81 dues, you will be dropped from membership on October 1. We hate to be blunt about it, but with the rising cost of everything from printing to postage, we just can't afford to carry non-paying members past the minimum specified in the Bylaws. If you haven't paid (there was a list in the May issue), send your check for \$5 today...to John Needham, 9801 Dewey Drive, Garden Grove, CA 92641.

## An auction

A broad selection of choice perfins will be found in the latest Perfins Auction which begins on page 3. Send your bids in early. Earliest postmark counts in case of tie bids.

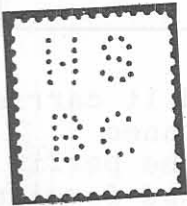
### THE SALES DEPARTMENT SOLD NEARLY \$3,000 WORTH OF PERFINS

during the first half of 1980. The exact total was \$2903.29 according to a report from Sales Manager Ivan Ley. Most of the income (\$1239.79) came from books of C or better items. Envelopes of E & D rated perfins brought in \$601.76, and foreign perfins brought in \$907.85. Most of the sales were from the Bartleson material which is rapidly being depleted. Members who have material to sell should contact Ley. Just address him at Arena, WI 53503.

### THE TREASURER REPORTS A HEALTHY BANK BALANCE

as of the end of the first half of 1980. We had income of \$8,743.23 against expenses of \$4,658.46, which boosted our bank balance to \$17,773.02. Most of the income was from the sales department (see above) and from auctions, both of which depended heavily upon material from the Al Bartleson collections. Once this material runs out (and it is getting low), the income will drop radically. Most of our expense was in the production of the Bulletin and we are candidly seeking cheaper ways of producing the Bulletin so we can cut some of that cost. A complete operating statement is on file with the secretary if you'd like to review it.

### THE HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION



has been confirmed as the owner of H-171 (HS/BC) as a result of an article in the May 1980 China Clipper. A cover owned by China Stamp Society president Ellery Denison carries five of the HS/BC perfins on U. S. stamps. The cover was registered at the U. S. postal agency in Shanghai on March 27, 1919, and is backstamped with an April 23 receiving date.

### HUNGARIAN CATALOG BEING UPDATED

David D. Malyon writes from England that he has begun an updated version of the Hungarian Perfins Catalog and would be most appreciative of any information anyone can offer which is not included in the current edition. You can write David at 8 West Cliff Drive, Herne Bay, Kent, CT6 8DA ENGLAND.

A few copies of the current catalog are available from The Perfins Club, Box 82, Grandview, MO 64030, for \$3 each postpaid.

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**Auction 27: Closing date is November 15, 1980**

Mail all bids to John A. Gooding, 923 North Anita Avenue, Gonzales, LA 70737

PLEASE READ THE RULES BEFORE BIDDING. Lots will be sold to the highest bidder at the following advances: Under \$1, a 5¢ advance; \$1 to \$2, a 10¢ advance; \$2 to \$5, a 25¢ advance; over \$5, a 10% advance. No unlimited bids accepted. No single bids for groups of lots accepted. Please make bids in multiples of 5¢. In case of tie bids, the first bid received will be accepted. All single perfins are complete and in good condition unless otherwise specified. Straight edges are not considered damage. In the larger lots, mixes, etc., incomplete perfins, splits, and duplicates may be expected.

BID BY LOT NUMBER, NOT BY CATALOG NUMBER. Regular stamps between Scott 331 and 546 are listed "as is," and are not returnable if the Scott number is incorrectly listed. Lots are returnable if the Perfins Catalog number is incorrect; however, lots must be returned within three (3) days of receipt. U. S. Catalog numbers and ratings are from the U. S. Illustrated Perfins Catalog, 1979 edition.

ABBREVIATIONS. blk = block; cov = cover; cr = creased stamp; dam = slightly damaged, such as small tear, corner off, etc; for = foreign; hi = extra heavy ink showing on back of stamp; inc(1h) or inc (2h), etc. = incomplete perfin with 1 or 2 or more holes missing; mix = mixture; pr = pair; sp = split; stp = strip; th = thin place in stamp; \* = mint.

IN ALL CASES where there are foreign perfin catalogs available, such as Canada, Japan, Czechoslovakia, Switzerland, Great Britain, and so on, the catalog number from that catalog will be used to describe the perfin.

Lot	Cat #	Rate	Scott	Lot	Cat #	Rate	Scott	Lot	Cat #	Rate	Scott
1	A11	C	319	25	A181	C	720	49	B152	C	336
2	A1A	C	559	26	A184.5	C	554	50	B167	C	319
3	A7	B	405	27	A184.5	C	707	51	B167	C	319
4	A11	C	319	28	A221-41	C	554	52	B193	C	555
5	A14	C	554	29	A259	C	514	53	B212hi	C	334
6	A17	C	406	30	A264inc(2h)	C	332	54	B213	C	562
7	A21	C	406	31	A285	D	938	55	B213	C	560
8	A22	C	406	32	A298	C	564	56	B247	C	907
9	A25	C	332	33	B15.5	C	634	57	B247	C	829
10	A26	C	332	34	B15.5	C	564	58	B253.5	B	C12
11	A36	C	332	35	B17	E	650	59	B265	C	567
12	A40	D	340	36	B60	C	554	60	B265	C	567
13	A42	C	319	37	B83cov	D	406	61	B274	B	332
14	A46.5	D	406	38	B86.7	C	1043	62	B290	C	901
15	A62	C	332	39	B99	C	406	63	C9	C	566
16	A68	C	562	40	B113	B	331	64	C10	C	1044
17	A75	C	554	41	B116-13	C	C51	65	C18	C	425
18	A89	C	406	42	B116-21	C	788	66	C43covcut	E	554-557
19	A102B	C	551	43	B116-36	A	641	67	C46	C	319
20	A102B	C	554	44	B116-36	A	815	68	C60	B	501
21	A116a	C	406	45	B118	C	319	69	C67inc5h	C	561
22	A158	C	567	46	B118	C	319	70	C102inc1h	C	406
23	A169	C	503	47	B125	B	332	71	C105	C	406
24	A181	C	807	48	B151	B	332	72	C106	C	831

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73	C106	C	732	124	D40	B	RD9	176	F199	C	332
74	C108hi	B	319	125	D54	C	331	177	F224	C	319
75	C114	C	809	126	D73.5	C	1470	178	F224	C	319
76	C118inclh	C	334	127	D73.5	C	1283	179	G7	B	332
77	C118	C	416	128	D82.5	C	1047	180	G27	C	406
78	C141	C	597	129	D83	C	739	181	G53	B	319
79	C143	B	332	130	D92	C	558	182	G53	B	319
80	C152 05	C	899	131	D97	C	398	183	G64	B	319
81	C152 C4	C	1036	132	D100	C	567	184	G64	B	332
81a	C152 H9	A	806	133	D100	C	567	185	G72.1	E	423
82	C156	C	512	134	D135	C	714	186	G72.13	C	C11
83	C163	C	405	135	D135	C	641	187	G82	B	332
84	C176hi	C	811	136	D136	C	Q6	188	G82	B	332
85	C183	C	567	137	D141	C	406	189	G102	E	736
86	C191	B	331	138	D144.5	B	552	190	G125	C	804
87	C207	C	332	139	E4	C	406	191	G125	C	632
88	C207	C	332	140	E4	C	406	192	G149	C	720
89	C208	C	406	141	E8	B	331	193	G153	D	726
90	C208	C	425	142	E39	C	E12	194	G154	D	745
91	C209	B	RD35	143	E43	C	684	195	G168	C	831
92	C209	B	RD34	144	E55dam	B	319	196	G171.5	C	433
93	C247	B	406	145	E55	B	332	197	G171.5	C	431
94	C248.5	B	319	146	E63	C	557	198	G187	D	880
95	C249	C	715	147	E63	C	557	199	G190hi	C	336
96	C255	B	319	148	E87	C	C17	200	H10.5	A	554
97	C261	C	825	149	E87	C	567	201	H16	B	812
98	C265.5	C	558	150	E97	C	810	202	H30	B	C11
99	C265.5	C	566	151	E101.5	B	397	203	H31hi	C	406
100	C274	B	806	152	E110	C	332	204	H31	C	375
101	C309	A	698	153	E118	C	406	205	H42	C	428
102	C316	C	332	154	E126	C	567	206	H44	A	319
103	C316	C	332	155	E126	C	610	207	H44	A	319
104	C322	B	332	156	E137	C	563	208	H76.5	A	378
105	C328	C	398	157	E137hi	C	642	209	H80	C	634
106	C328	C	398	158	F5	B	332	210	H109	B	331
107	C338inc8h	C	406	159	F14	C	567	211	H109	B	331
108	C339dam	C	336	160	F20	A	332	212	H149	C	319
109	C356AX hi	C	638	161	F35	C	807	213	H149	C	319
110	C371	B	406	162	F49	C	405	214	H158	E	C23
111	C405	C	634	163	F50dam	C	332	215	H159	B	406
112	C414	C	633	164	F51cr	C	554	216	H166	A	RD3
113	C414	C	720	165	F51	C	562	217	H178	C	557
114	C415	C	499	166	F58dam	C	509	218	H178	C	584
115	C420	C	776	167	F61	C	375	219	H206	B	807
116	C420	C	784	168	F97	C	406	220	H206	B	E12
117	C428	C	554	169	F97	C	406	221	H214.5	A	406
118	C429	C	784	170	F101	B	554	222	H222	C	319
119	C429	C	784	171	F138hi	D	416	223	I4	B	319
120	D 0.5	B	709	172	F148	C	562	224	I11hi	C	567
121	D16	C	406	173	F148	C	555	225	I11	C	567
122	D16crhi	C	406	174	F155	C	559	226	I20.5	E	1356
123	D40	B	RD12	175	F166	E	572	227	I41hi	C	379

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228	I41	C	406	279	M142	B	332	330	069	C	332
229	I61	C	C25	280	M153	D	406	331	087	B	370
230	I61	C	947	281	M181	B	567	332	093	C	406
231	I73	C	332	282	M183	C	416	333	093inc 1h	C	406
232	I73	C	406	283	M204	B	332	334	P17	C	634
233	I96	B	551	284	M211	D	689	335	P17	C	720
234	I96	B	558	285	M234	C	406	336	P20hi	C	502
235	I97dam	C	332	286	M248.5	C	416	337	P22	C	332
236	I116	C	405	287	M277	C	406	338	P22	C	332
237	I116	C	406	288	M298	A	405	339	P25	D	916
238	J24B	C	405	289	M302.5	B	332	340	P26	C	685
239	J82	C	332	290	M302.5	B	406	341	P48	B	406
240	J90	D	997	291	M305	B	332	342	P50th	B	332
241	J96.4	C	632	292	N69	C	711	343	P69	C	332
242	J115	D	1087	293	N69	C	567	344	P69	C	332
243	J132	C	406	294	N71	C	338	345	P71	C	554
244	J132	C	554	295	N71cr	C	337	346	P71	C	554
245	J133	C	682	296	N76	C	332	347	P73hi	C	807
246	J140	C	352	297	N76	C	332	348	P74cr	C	562
247	J140	C	332	298	N79	C	338	349	P74pr	C	562
248	J151	B	557	299	N80inc1h	C	510	350	P77	C	842
249	J151	B	557	300	N86	B	406	351	P95.3	C	1044
250	J159hi	C	428	301	N96	C	416	352	P96	D	623
251	J166.5inc4h	C	C25	302	N98	C	815	353	P102	C	405
252	K3	C	777	303	N106dam	C	333	354	P112inc2h	C	332
253	K3	C	732	304	N106	C	554	355	P119.5	C	517
254	K35	C	406	305	N113A2	B	338	356	P119.5	C	517
255	L53	B	564	306	N113Aa5	A	332	357	P125	C	807
256	L53	B	815	307	N113Aa11	A	406	358	P128	C	332
257	L55.7inc4h	D	C39	308	N113AB2	C	810	359	P129	C	332
258	L56.5dam	C	332	309	N113AB14	C	807	360	P143	C	319
259	L59	B	406	310	N113AB61	D	811	361	P157	B	331
260	L60.9	D	567	311	N113ABb12	C	814	362	P182	C	832
261	L68	C	557	312	N113B0	C	375	363	P182	C	698
262	L73	C	720	313	N113B0	C	554	364	P182	C	558
263	L88	C	564	314	N113C4	C	807	365	P188	C	332
264	L172	B	332	315	N113C7inc2h	C	807	366	P188	C	406
265	L185.5	A	406	316	N113Cc6	D	817	367	P203	C	332
266	L190	C	C23	317	N113Cc11	C	720	368	P203inc4h	C	331
267	M36	C	416	318	N113Cc10inc1h	C	807	369	P214	C	332
268	M60	B	698	319	N133dam	D	332	370	P229	C	4 issues
269	M66	B	332	320	N145hi	D	427	371	P239	C	332
270	M68hi	C	792	321	N147	D	554	372	P248	C	332
271	M104	B	319	321a	N164.5	E	1393a	373	P248	C	332
272	M105	B	901	322	N182	E	643	374	P252	C	338
273	M106A	D	332	323	N183inc2h	C	707	375	Q9	C	406
273a	M106B	E	C6	324	N183	C	553	376	Q9	C	424
274	M122	B	557	325	N190	C	376	377	R16	C	498
275	M124	C	E15	326	N191	C	332	378	R43inc2h	C	701
276	M124	C	568	327	N201	C	510	379	R43hi	C	571
277	M132	C	808	328	020	B	406	380	R43	C	830
278	M140	C	406	329	050inc1h	D	557	381	R52	C	406

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382	R77	C	685	433	S274	C	813	485	W158	C	332
383	R105	C	406	434	S281	A	554	486	W158	C	331
384	R109	C	319	435	S292hi	C	558	487	W163	B	562
385	R111	C	641	436	S301	C	338	488	W199.3.5	C	633
386	R117	C	332	437	S304	C	811	489	W199.3.5	C	641
387	R132	B	332	438	S304dam	C	805	490	W199.3.5	C	570
388	R134	C	406	439	S321.5	B	332	491	W199.18	A	406
389	R136	C	506	440	S321.5	B	332	492	W199.19	C	554
390	R136	C	375	441	S328	D	319	493	W199.19	C	554
391	R145	C	560	442	S362	C	510	494	W205A	B	720
392	R161	C	568	443	T17	D	786	495	W210.7	B	557
393	R167	B	319	444	T47	E	C21	496	W215	D	920
394	R167	B	319	445	T48	C	332	497	W226	B	805
395	R167	B	319	446	T68	C	333	498	W226	B	901
396	S2-41	B	718	447	T76	C	375	499	#3	D	556
397	S11	C	501	448	T80inclh	C	554	500	#3	D	562
398	S17	C	406	449	T80	C	406	501	#6	E	567
399	S29 cov dam	E	501	450	T84sp	C	332	502	#6	E	567
400	S31	C	720	451	T86	C	332	503	#9	E	471
401	S33	C	557	452	T87inc4h	C	332	504	#9	E	557
402	S33 dam	C	510	453	T96	C	567	505	#13inc2h	E	566
403	S34	D	705	454	T117	C	406	506	#13	E	693
404	S40	B	429	455	U40.5	C	1596	507	#15	E	623
405	S50inclh	C	1328	456	U46	C	552	508	#15	E	567
406	S61	C	Q2	457	U50	C	332	509	#18	D	552
407	S64	C	319	458	U50	C	332	510	#18hi	D	558
408	S64	C	319	459	U82-6	C	558	511	#23hi	C	336
409	S86	B	743	460	U82-9	B	406	512	#23	C	377
410	S92	C	398	461	U82-9	B	501	513	#29	C	501-15
411	S92	C	398	462	U85inclh	C	567	514	Des 1	D	331-15
412	S126hi	B	406	463	U85	C	567	515	Des 3	D	557
413	S133	B	331	464	U99	C	C26	516	Des 5	E	567
414	S134	D	332	465	U99	C	808	517	Des 5hi	E	560
415	S137	C	406	466	U99	C	825	518	Des 6	E	567
416	S165	C	E13	467	V25	C	553	519	Des 7	C	336-15
417	S196	C	463	468	V25	C	553	520	Des 7	C	406
418	S196hi	C	560	469	V26	C	375	521	Des 11	E	554
419	S201dam	C	406	470	W20	C	1035	522	Des 14	E	418
420	S202inc2h	C	332	471	W53	C	720	523	Des 20	B	807-15
421	S224	C	636	472	W58	C	425	524	Des 25	C	425
422	S227	B	331	473	W71.5	A	1284	525	Des 36 inc3h	C	825
423	S231	B	501	474	W72.14	C	554	526	Des 36	C	720-15
424	S245	C	551	475	W72.14	C	562	527	Des 39	C	562
425	S247	C	635	476	W72.29	C	685	528	Des 40.5	B	554-15
426	S254	C	815	477	W72.57	A	554	529	Des 43	E	901
427	S257	A	640	478	W72.68	C	554	529a	Des 43	E	807
428	S257	A	567	479	W72.69	C	562	Schermacks			
429	S257	A	556	480	W72.69	C	567	530	21		344
430	S266	D	558	481	W77	D	319	531	12 H Sq	12.1	344
431	S267hi	C	515	482	W103	B	406	534	12 H Sq	12.1	344
432	S268	C	406	483	W133	C	375	535	12 H Sq	12.2	344
432a	S274dam	C	832	484	W141	C	406	536	12 H Sq	12.3	343



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537	12 H Sq 12.4dam1h		344	580	G10		91	630	K1.1		527
538	12 H Sq 12.5		344	581	G11		106	631	K1.1		526
<u>Mixtures, etc</u>				582	G11		90	632	K70.1		235
539	12 D-rated all diff			583	H1		106	633	L56.5		159
540	113 E-rated all diff			584	J3		104	634	L497.1		85
	A-J good			585	J6		104	635	M314		167
540a	157 E-rated all diff			586	J6		106	636	M586		538
	K-W good			587	L4		142	637	P12.1a		533
541	Mix 50 corner cuts			588	N10a		247	638	R284.1		239
	with cancellations			589	N10d		254	639	R482.5		114
542	Mix 240 E-rated			590	N10i		254	640	S1.2		535
543	Mix 150 D-rated			591	N10i		175	641	S476.1		535
544	Mix 240 E-rated			592	N10i		106	642	T79.4		112
545	Mix 137 Wash Bicents			593	N10k		271	643	T360.2		186
546	Mix 750 diff designs			594	N10n		109	644	W127.2 hi		111
547	100 D-rated all diff			595	O4		106	645	W204.3		116
548	4 diff P P			596	O4		104	646	W437.3		228
<u>Austria</u>				597	P3		108	647	Des 56		295
549	BERTRAM		81	598	P7		111	648	Mixture of 75		
550	ETERNIT		278	599	S2a		328	<u>Hungary</u>			
551	JA sp		103	600	S2a		C8	649	3 hole triangle 18		
552	LUTZ		261	601	S3b		104	diff issues			
553	UNION		257	602	S3b		153	<u>Netherlands</u>			
554	Mix 10			603	W8		37	650	M.A.		65
<u>Argentina</u>				604	W9		191	651	O.v.T.		55
555	PNA		447	605	W11dam		108	<u>Netherlands Indies</u>			
<u>Belgium</u>				<u>Germany</u>							
556	FC		419	606	ALLIANZ		334	652	E & S		41
<u>Canada</u>				607	JORDAN		131	<u>Romania</u>			
557	A8	Newf	190	608	M. COHN		54	653	RICH./GRAEPEL		123
558	A8	Newf	190	609	OB		381	654	TUDOR		215
559	B1 inc		104	610	RODER		68	655	Coffee Grinder		325
560	B10 25 diff issues			611	SINGER		331	656	Coffee Grinder		375
561	C4		135	612	ANCHOR		370	<u>Spain</u>			
562	C7		104	613	Anchor T.		48	657	ASLAND		336
563	C10a		174	614	Clover		420	658	V.S		702
564	C11	Newf	104	615	Crossed Keys		420	659	SOLIDITET		77
565	C12i		135	616	Swan		424	<u>Swiss</u>			
566	C12o		106	617	Twinkle Twins		67	660	B/W		139
567	C12o		106	<u>Great Britain</u>							
568	C16		260	618	A15		111	661	Mix of 125		
569	C26 15 diff issues			619	A193 dam hi		89	662	21 covers, 5 corner		
570	C28		106	620	A431.1		321	cuts, 16 US, 9 for			
571	C34hi		109	621	A431.1		527	--			
572	C34		107	622	C129.2		114	End of			
573	D1 inclh		106	623	C887.1		151	the sale			
574	E2		233	624	E417.2b inc		525	If you haven't found what			
575	E2		233	625	G421.2		160	you want in this sale,			
576	F3		233	626	H642.1		108	write Ivan Ley, Arena,			
577	G1		106	627	H316.2 inc		527	WI 53503. The sales			
578	G4 inc 4h	Newf	117	628	H707		230	department might be able			
579	G4	Newf	105	629	I217.2		89	to help.			

## Out of the In-basket

IF YOU ORDERED a copy of Victorian Government Punctures by John Elford (\$2 postpaid as advertised in the June Bulletin) there may be a slight delay. We quickly sold the first 20 copies we got (you should have yours by now if you ordered early) and we've had to order more. So, if you were late ordering yours (past early July), please don't expect delivery for another 4 to 5 weeks. We clearly underestimated the amount of interest in this subject.

CHRISTIAN RUEGER (Rotbuchenstrasse 4, D-8500 Nuernberg 60, West Germany) collects stamps connected with Abraham Lincoln and is interested in buying or trading for any such stamps with perfins. Drop him a line if you can help.

JOHN NEEDHAM (9801 Dewey Drive, Garden Grove, CA 92641) is planning an exhibit of German design perfins and he'd appreciate any information about users and cancels. He'll also trade German perfins for covers with design perfins.



THE WASHBURN CROSBY COMPANY was the user of the perfin at left (W-46). The other evening I was reading a history of radio commercials and ran across the information that Washburn Crosby was one of the earliest users of radio advertising, even before the company became better known as GENERAL MILLS.

AL SPENCER (Box 6, Angelus Oaks, CA 92305) wants U. S. and foreign perfins on covers relating to MUSIC companies. He'll buy or trade.



IF YOU DON'T HAVE P-4 IN YOUR COLLECTION, drop a note to editor Floyd Walker (Box 82, Grandview, MO 64030) and send along an SASE. P-4 is the perfin of STEVE PAVLINA who is currently president of the Mailer's Postmark Permit Club. Steve has generously supplied some extra copies (all used) of his perfin which we'll pass along as long as the supply lasts. If you'd like the perfin on cover, write Steve at 208 Allegheny Avenue, Cheswick, PA 15024. Steve has been using a perfin since 1950 and an MPP since 1951.

GLEN AND DOROTHY SAVAGE led the contingent of Perfins Club members who met at ORCOPEX'80. Others on hand were LOU LUDWIG, JOHN BURNS, ART & JOANN THOMAS, JAMES EHRBAR, JOHN NEEDHAM, JOHN BLESSINGTON, and CARL KLASS.

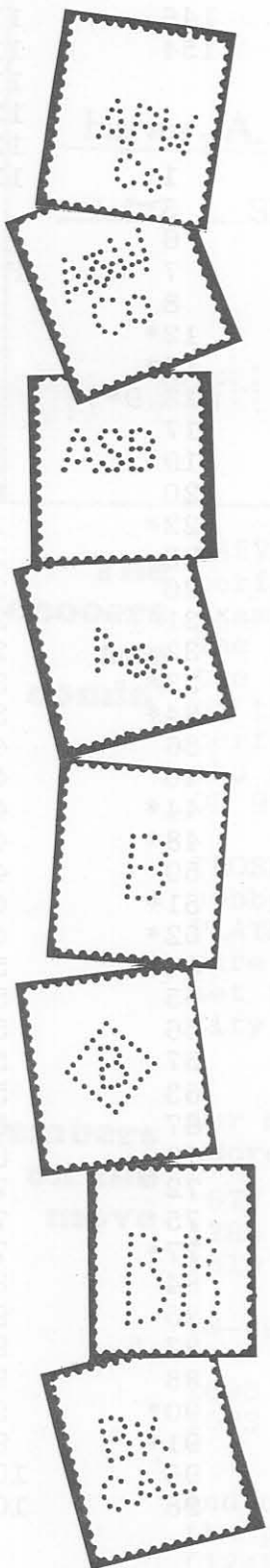
## Old issues

Sales Manager Ivan Ley says he has an incredible number of E-rated perfins on issues. They're from the Bartleson collection and the range is rather surprising. If you're an issue collector, write Ivan (at Arena, WI 53503) and tell him your interests. He'll send you a selection that will keep you going for a while!

Ivan is also interested in hearing from members who have good perfins to sell. The Sales Department needs material.

### Perfins on Scott 332 & 375: a checklist by Larry Owen

Because of the difficulty of identifying watermarks on cancelled and perfined stamps, these two issues have been classed as one for the purposes of this checklist. To save space, patterns are listed by catalog number only. Those marked with an asterisk (\*) are not in the author's collection but have been listed in auctions, observed in other collections, or assumed to exist because they have appeared on 1902 and 1912 stamps. Additions and corrections will be appreciated, as will the opportunity to purchase or swap for those carrying an asterisk. Write to Larry Owen at 3887 Antigua Circle, Dallas, TX 75234.



A	A	A	B	B	B
3	102a	258	32	120	219
10	105	261	40	124	227
11	109	262*	45	125	229
13*	117	264	48	126	235.5
17	121*	265	49	127	241
18	122	267	53	127.7	244
25	132	267B*	55*	128	246
26	138	268	58	131	249
32	139*	276	60	126	250
35*	146.5	278	70*	139	252.5
36	148	280*	73	145*	253
37	157	284	78*	149*	256
39*	162	288*	79	151	257*
40	167	296	81	152	258
42	169	297	82	155	261
46*	174	302	84	160	263
46.5	179	303	85	165	266
48	180*	304	86.5*	166	267
49*	182	306	87	167	268
51*	182.5*		88	169	270*
53	187.5		92	170	272
60*	197	B	94	171	274
62*	203	1	98*	173	276
64	204	2	100	185	277
69*	209	3	102	187	284
72	210*	4	104*	189	285
75	214	13	105	194	287
76	218	15	106	196	288
81	228	16	109	202	289
82.7	242	19*	110	203*	290
87	243	20	111*	205	293
93	244	23	113*	206	
94	248	26*	115	209	
96	250	27	117	212	
97	255	29	118	215	
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### The secretary's report

Our membership stands at 792 now...and we have some new members. Join us in welcoming these folks to our midst.

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1886	Ellen L. Kupfer 28820 Bradley Road, Sun City, CA 92381	General
1887	Glenn F. Terry Box 3366, Carmel, CA 92931	General
1888	Jack F. Nibecker Ap. Postal 1-634, Guadalajara, Jalisco, MEXICO	Beginner
1889	Norman F. Gahl San Mario 19-21, Barcelona 22, SPAIN	Spanish
1890	Betty L. Boller 820 West Sola Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93101	Beginner
1891	David Stiver Box 523, Duquesne, PA 15110	Beginner
1892	Oliver Blackinton 2332 Haerle Avenue, Twin Lakes, WI 53181	General
1893	Dr. E. Taschdjian R. R. #2, Wolcott, VT 05680	Austria
1894	Max F. Mueller 3819 Sunnybank Drive, Valrico, FL 33594	General
1895	H. A. Carter Box 663, San Manuel, AZ 85631	BC, Japan, and China
LM-41F	Sheila B. Needham 9801 Dewey Drive, Garden Grove, CA 92641	France

Dick Mewhinney recruited #1886, Al Gerstenberger #1894, Dr. John Doering #1895, John Needham #1885, and Dorothy Savage brought in all the rest...except #LM-41F, who joined out of self defense!

In other action...#1031, Rev. Elwood S. Poore (302 S. Denton Street, Gainesville, TX 76240) has been reinstated; Merv J. Cormier (#1820) has become our newest life member (LM-77). Merv lives at 2 Rosedale Crescent, St. John, NB E2J 3G4 CANADA; and Vivien S. Ely (#964) and Lillian D. Watts (#1675) have resigned.

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## **TRAV (T-81) and its varieties**

by  
**Harry Rickard**

The Travelers Insurance Company, through its many offices and agencies, has been a prolific user of perfins. However, the U. S. Perfins Catalog shows only one perfin design for Travelers (T-81). It seems unlikely that only one design could have been used so many years and turned out those thousands of stamps from so many offices.

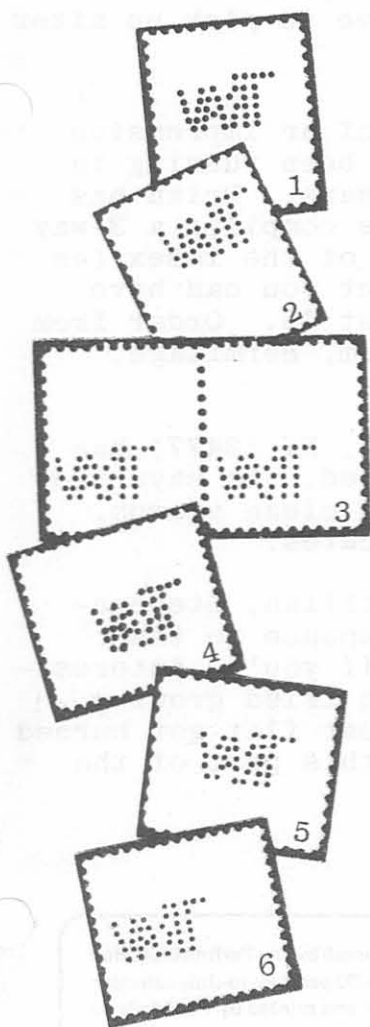
This past spring I contacted catalog chairman Joseph J. Balough regarding a different variety of the TRAV perfin I had found. In response, Joe sent me a sketch of three varieties he knew about. One was the regular T-81, another was the variety I had uncovered, and the third was one in which the second line of the V and A ascends and then drops to the R.

I checked my various TRAV copies and found the variety Balough had sketched--and some others.

- #1 is the regular T-81 as illustrated in the catalog.
- #2 is a regular T-81 but with medium size holes. Both 1 and 2 measure  $12\frac{1}{2}$  mm across, hole center to hole center, T to V. The T height is  $6\frac{1}{2}$  mm.
- #3 is a pair of the variety uncovered by Balough. In addition to the difference noted above, it is  $12\text{-}3/4$  mm across.
- #4 is the variety I sent to Balough. It has a sloped R rather than the normal straight line and it is only 12 mm across.
- The hole sizes of #4 and #5 are not the same. Could it mean they were made by different machines? The hole sizes of #1 and #4 are similar.
- While seeking a copy of #3 in my own collection, I found #6, which seems to be different. It has smaller holes, the T is  $6\frac{1}{4}$  mm high, and the pattern is  $12\frac{1}{4}$  mm across.

Note that #4, #5, and #6, all of which were used from 1909 to 1914, are perforated vertically instead of horizontally. This might signify that the machine was designed for this type of perforating rather than the horizontal perforating found on later issues. This is further borne out by measuring the space between the two

--continued on page 4.



### **A devilish comment**

If Dante had been a perfins collector when he wrote *The Inferno*, he most certainly would have created a special level just for certain of his fellows. Among those he might have assigned to a perpetual roasting...

- Those who switch stamps in sales department booklets and envelopes;
- Those who keep library material two or three months...or material from the sales department for more than a week;
- Those who never send along the postage when returning material to the library...and those who never pay the correct amount due the sales department;
- Those who Xerox material from the library and then mix up the pages when they put the originals back together;
- Those who order U. S. catalogs from the Bulletin editor, send Bulletin articles to the secretary, and pay their dues to the catalog chairman;
- Bulletin editors who write notes like this one.

Seriously, folks, we know that you aren't guilty of any of these things, but some of your fellow members are. If you meet any of them, give them a good lecturing and tell them that they cause much work and considerable expense to the Club and its volunteer help. Those of us who have to pick up after them will appreciate your help.

### **Out of the In-basket**

SEPS LIBRARIAN BRIAN BIRCH is the compiler of an impressive document called *Perfins Abstracts* which has been running in the SEPS Bulletin in serial form for some years. Brian has published more than 500 abstracts and he has compiled a 3-way index to those first 500 abstracts. A copy of the index (as well as the abstracts) is in the library, but you can have your own copy of the index (55 pages) for just \$3. Order from Ron Bowman, Gwel Marten, Beechfield, Frilsham, Hermitage, Newbury, Berks RG16 9XD, ENGLAND

CHARLES SCHOEPS (7316 Osnas Lane, Saugerties, NY 12477) has mixed U. S. perfins for sale at \$1 per hundred. He says they are mixed C, D, and E rates and are all good clean stamps. They are mixtures, however, so expect duplicates.

OKRA CHARLIE (Charles B. Troup, 840 South Lillian, Stephenville, TX 76401) says he has had quite a response to the article about okra in the March Bulletin. If you're interested in such, write Charlie for some seed. We tried growing okra here in Missouri this summer, but it just flat got burned up in the hottest summer we've ever had in this part of the country.

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## **Danish Catalog completed**

The Perfins Club is proud to announce that work has at last been completed on the *Catalog of Danish Perfins* by Peter H. S. Andersen. Copies are available from David C. Stump, 170 Steeplechase Road, Devon, PA 19333, for \$5 each, including postage and handling.

Work on the Danish catalog began in 1966. Andersen, a long-time member of the Perfins Club, made at least three trips to Denmark to gather information and to secure specimens of Danish perfins. Unfortunately, Andersen died suddenly in October 1971 without finishing his catalog. The task of completing Andersen's work fell to Stump, himself a Danish perfins scholar. Stump has now finished that task.

The result is a catalog-album which describes and illustrates more than 950 Danish perfins in full size, provides the standard details of height, name of user, location, and the number of holes in each perfin. The catalog is mimeographed on 8½ by 11 paper, punched for a 3-ring binder, and features illustrations on the right side of the page with descriptions and other details on the right side.

Although this surely isn't the last Danish catalog which will be published (The Danish Perfins Club is working on an update of Ostergaard Hansen's work), this is a superb work in and of itself. For the Danish collector--or for the general perfins collector with even a few Danish perfins--this work is a must. And, at the \$5 price, it is one of the best investments around.

### **Look at these catalogs too**

And on the subject of catalogs, here are some other works you need to keep in mind. Order from the people indicated.

*THE U. S. PERFINS CATALOG.* The guide to U. S. Perfins. Order from Joseph J. Balough, 9108 McFall Drive, El Paso, TX 79925. Price is \$25 postpaid.

*THE CZECHOSLOVAK PERFINS CATALOG.* Complete with all updates and a rating chart. Price is \$3.50 postpaid from Floyd A. Walker, Box 82, Grandview, MO 64030.

*THE JAPANESE PERFINS CATALOG.* Latest edition. See the July/August Bulletin. \$10 postpaid from Floyd A. Walker, Box 82, Grandview, MO 64030.

*VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT PUNCTURES.* John Elford's listing of the four types of VG perfins on the stamps of Australia and States. Price is \$2 per copy postpaid from Floyd A. Walker, Box 82, Grandview, MO 64030.

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TRAV designs on the pair shown in #3, which is 8-3/4 mm. This means there should be a design to the right of the T or the left of the V every 8-3/4 to 9 mm on a perforator rigged for the horizontal format. But in the illustration at left, of a bottom-of-the-sheet stamp, there is a full 10 mm space to the right of the T...with no indication of another design.



The variety at left is on a 1908 issue which was replaced by another design in 1909. Indications are that the early TRAV perfins may have been done by single head perforators, with a multi-head perforator coming into use later. Or is it possible that there was a special multi-head perforator designed for the vertical format? Any opinions?

It is clear that the single TRAV perfin shown in the U. S. Catalog isn't the only design that was used. Others should be listed and catalog chairman Joe Balough is willing to make additional listings based on sound evidence of distinct varieties. If you will share your observations with me, I will collate the data and make a further presentation in the Bulletin and to Balough. I would like to have Xerox copies of designs or the loan of the actual stamps if possible, plus the Scott # of the stamp on which the design appears and any postmark information available. And if you have TRAV perfins on cover or card, add any information included there. Write me at 2163 Cumbre Place, El Cajon, CA 92020.

*Editor's Note: Here's an opportunity for everyone to add to the knowledge of perfins. Check your TRAV duplicates (you surely have some) and send along your findings.*



## A checklist of perfins on Scott 332 & 375, continued

Last month we brought you the first installment of this checklist. It continues here. But before we continue the checklist, we thought you might like to know a little more about Larry Owen, the member who compiled the list.

Larry started studying the violin when he was 9 (he was born in Trenton, MI, in 1919), and he planned to be a professional musician. But the depression came along and suggested that he follow a more "profitable" career. Since his father had a successful drug store, he got a degree in pharmacology, passed the state board exams, and then joined the Navy as a pharmacist's mate. After the war, he became a teacher and returned to music school. He holds a degree in violin from the Juilliard School of Music and a masters in violin from the University of Michigan. He now teaches strings and plays professionally in Dallas, takes special pleasure in playing in a string quartet, and has been an active perfin collector since 1964. He has a good collection of 332/375, but still has many spaces to fill.

Now that you know more about Larry, take a look at this second installment of the checklist and see if you can add to it.

F	F	G	G	G	H
106.5	203	15*	83	169*	15
109	204*	18	85*	170	17
110	206	19	91	171*	18
114.5	207	21	94*	173	20
118	209	23	95	179	21*
127	211	27	97.5	181	23
129	214*	29	101*	182	27
135	219*	32	103	188	29
136*	220	40	104	189*	30
139	221	41	105	190	31
142	223	47	107	191	35
143	224	48*	109	193	36
145	226	49*	110*	194	37
146*	228*	53	111*	195	38
147*	229	56	116	202	42
151	230	58*	122	206*	43*
157*	231*	60	137*	209	52
166*	234	62*	140	211*	54
170*		64	141	212	65
183*	G	67	146*	213	69
186	1	68*	150		72
188	2	70*	151*	H	73*
193	3	73	161*	9	77
194*	6	74	162	10	78*
197	7	76	164	11	83
199	9	82	166	14	85

An asterisk (\*) means the stamp isn't in Larry's collection but is assumed to exist. See installment 1 (September 1980).

H	H	J	J	L	L
86	226	6*	139*	29	168.5
88*	228	8*	141*	30	171
89	229	10	146	37	172
91	230*	11*	154	41	174
92	231	13	156	46	177*
97		14*	157	47*	180
98	I	15	158	48*	184
101	4	18	162	53*	185
102	9	21	166.5	55	187
109	12*	40*	167	56.5	189
111	16*	41	167.5	57*	
113*	21	42	168	60	M
115	24	45	178C	61	4
116	29.5	48	179*	63	5*
118	30	52	182	65.5*	9
127	31	53		66	10
138	37	56	K	67	11.5
139	41	57	1	75*	21
140*	42*	58	2	76	26
142	45	63	4	82	31
144	47*	64*	5	83	34
148*	49	71	6*	89	35*
149	51	74	7*	90*	37
150*	53	75	19	93	41a*
155*	58	77	21	100*	45
157*	64*	80	23	104	46
158	70	82	34	107*	49
168	73	87	40	120	51*
172	76	88	47*	122	52*
173*	77	91*	48	125*	53
174	82	93	50	128	55*
178	84	100	51	130	57
182	85	101	54.5*	133	66*
185	87	105	56	134	67
192	91	107	57	135	69
194	93*	108.5	58*	139	73
201	97	109	69	143	83
203	99	110*	70*	146	89
204	101	112		148	90
207	105	113*	L	150	98
209	107	116	2*	154	100*
211	111*	119*	5	155	101
212	116	125	8*	156	102
213	123	125.5	10	157	103
216		127	11	158*	104*
218	J	127.5	12	159	106A
219*	2	129*	17	160	107
220*	3	134	18	162	109
222	5*	138	27	163	110

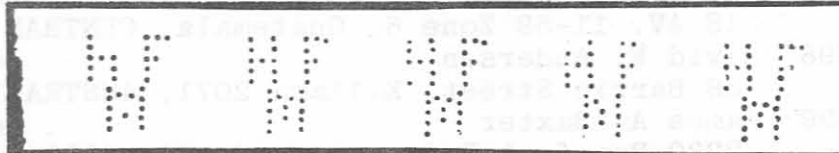
If you have any additions to this list, write Larry Owen at 3887 Antigua Circle, Dallas, TX 75234. The list will be concluded in the November/December Bulletin.

## Offers & promises

OCTOBER has been declared SIGN UP THE SPOUSE month by secretary John Needham. For only \$1 a year, you can sign up any member of your family living in the same residence under the "family member" plan. Family members have all the rights and responsibilities of membership, but they do not receive separate copies of the Bulletin or other Club publications. A family must maintain a regular or life membership to be eligible for a family membership. Send your buck to John Needham, 9801 Dewey Drive, Garden Grove, CA 92641.



TREASURER JOHN A. GOODING has gone on a JAG with his own perfin. Gooding has become the latest member of the Club to acquire a personal perforator. He'll provide copies of the perfin at cost to anyone who asks. He'll also perforate your stamps, provided you send him only current issues. In each case, please send along an SASE for John's convenience in responding. Write Gooding at 923 North Anita Avenue, Gonzales, LA 70737.



THAT STRIP OF FIVE PERFORATIONS is from a 5-die commercial perforator owned by president DAVE STUMP. Dave says he will sell the perforator (a Cummins Model 52) to the highest bidder who contacts him by November 15. The perfin is the H-76 pattern, identified in the catalog as having been used by H. F. Michell Company of Philadelphia. The perforator is 12 inches long, 5 inches wide, and is about 8 inches high with the handle depressed. It weighs about 25 pounds uncrated and Dave says the buyer will have to pay transportation costs. For more information, contact Dave Stump at 170 Steeplechase Road, Devon, PA 19333, or telephone him at (215) MU8-7686.

THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE Bulletin will reach you sometime in November and it will carry a November/December dateline. We've piled up quite a collection of articles for that issue and we hope you enjoy it as much as we're enjoying putting it together.

IF THE CHANCES ARE GOOD that the next issue of the Bulletin won't reach you sometime in November (mainly because this issue didn't get to you until December), you might want to consider supplementing your membership with first class or airmail postage fees. In an effort to keep our basic membership charge low, we use second class mail for the Bulletin. But second class is admittedly slow and if you live in Canada or overseas, there may be a several week or several month delay in the mail. For \$2 extra per year, you can have your Bulletin delivered by first class mail. For \$10 per year, you can have airmail service. In each case, send your checks to the secretary.

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### Secretary's Report

Join us in welcoming six new members to our midst this month.

1896	William J. Murphy 1616 Ruidosa, Wichita Falls, TX 76305	US & Canada
1897	Bany Ruben Barillas 18 AV. 11-59 Zone 6, Guatemala, CENTRAL AMERICA	Worldwide
1898	David W. Andersen 56 Barrie Street, Killara 2071, AUSTRALIA	Aust & GB
1899	James A. Baxter 2230 Beaufort Drive, Oxnard, CA 93033	Beginner
1900	Irwin E. Spalding 12 Plain Road, Wayland, MA 01778	General
1901	David A. Kent P. O. Box 13, New Britain, CT 06050	Schermack T-III

And a special welcome to our new life member, Mark I. Fromer (1519 East 8th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11230) who traded his #1842 for #LM-78.

We must also report that the secretary has been forced to drop 118 members for failing to pay their 1980-81 dues. We hope most of them will miss the Bulletin and return to active membership shortly, but we simply cannot afford to continue to carry them. We'll publish a list of the dropped members in the November/December Bulletin.

### Members on the move

1838	Harold E. Brennan, 51 Freda Avenue, Cheektowaga, NY 14225
1188	Ray L. Coughlin, c/o San Kwang Inst. Co. Ltd., 20 Yung-Sui Road, Taipei 100, REPUBLIC OF CHINA
LM-71	Millard J. Driscoll, 31 Driver Avenue, Summerville, SC 29483
1380	Richard C. Funk, Route 4, Box 225, Charleston, IL 61920
1795	Hope Murphy, 759 Post Drive, Whiteman AFB, MO 65305
1470	Robert W. Sims, 25895 Columbia #211, Hemet, CA 92343
278	John Lyle Steele Jr., 128-B Heritage Villa, Frederica Road, St. Simons Island, GA 31522

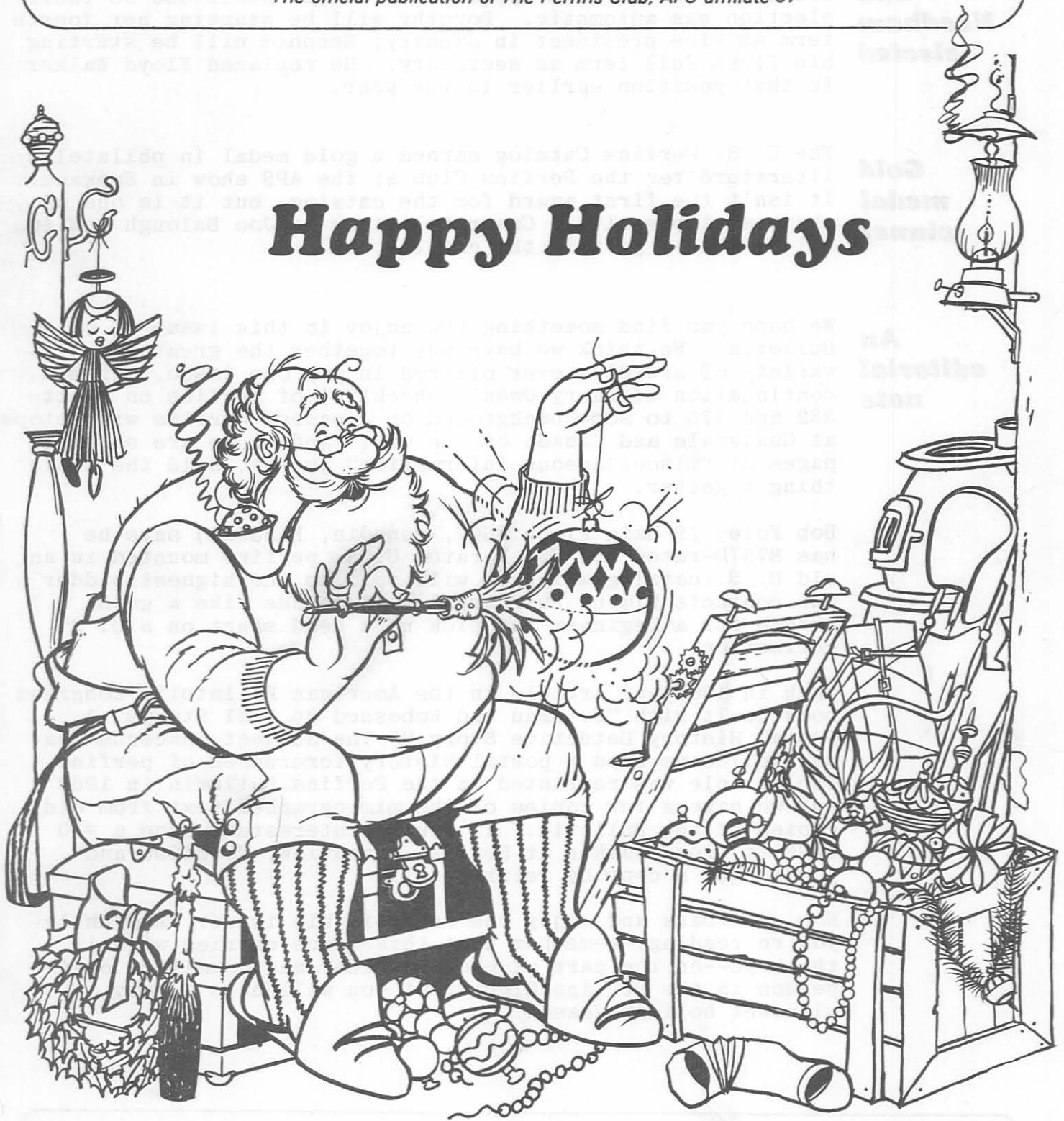
### Writers?

GOT THE WRITING URGE? The Bulletin needs notes, articles, and other contributions. You do the research and share the information. We'll gladly do the editing. Send material to Floyd A, Walker, Box 82, Grandview, MO 64030.

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## Happy Holidays



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### **Savage and Needham elected**

Vice president Dorothy Savage and secretary John Needham have been elected to new 3-year terms in their respective offices. Neither had opposition for the positions so their election was automatic. Dorothy will be starting her fourth term as vice president in January; Needham will be starting his first full term as secretary. He replaced Floyd Walker in that position earlier in the year.

### **Gold medal winner**

The U. S. Perfins Catalog earned a gold medal in philatelic literature for the Perfins Club at the APS show in Spokane. It isn't the first award for the catalog, but it is one of the most impressive. Congratulations to Joe Balough and to all who had a part in the catalog.

### **An editorial note**

We hope you find something you enjoy in this issue of the Bulletin. We think we have put together the greatest variety of articles ever offered in any one issue...from a continuation of Larry Owen's checklist of perfins on Scott 332 and 375 to some background on Japanese perfins with stops at Guatemala and Canada on the way. And there are several pages of "miscellaneous information" just to hold the whole thing together.

Bob Foley (9 Haig Place #604, Dunedin, FL33528) says he has 875 D-rated and 725 E-rated U. S. perfins mounted in an old U. S. catalog which he will sell to the highest bidder who contacts him by February 1. It sounds like a good chance for a beginner to pick up a head start on a U. S. collection.

Back in 1968, an article in the American Philatelic Congress book dealt with "S. Swan and Embossed 3¢ 1851 Stamps, A Postal History Detective Story." The subject concerns what may well have been a postal history forerunner of perfins. The article was reprinted in the Perfins Bulletin in 1969 and we have a few copies of the mimeographed text from old copies of the Bulletin. If you're interested, send a #10 SASE to Floyd Walker at Box 82, Grandview, MO 64030 and you'll get a copy by return mail.

Now, sit back and enjoy the rest of this issue. And while you're reading, remember that this issue carries with it the hope--on the part of every officer and committee chairperson in the Perfins Club--that you will have a very pleasant holiday season.

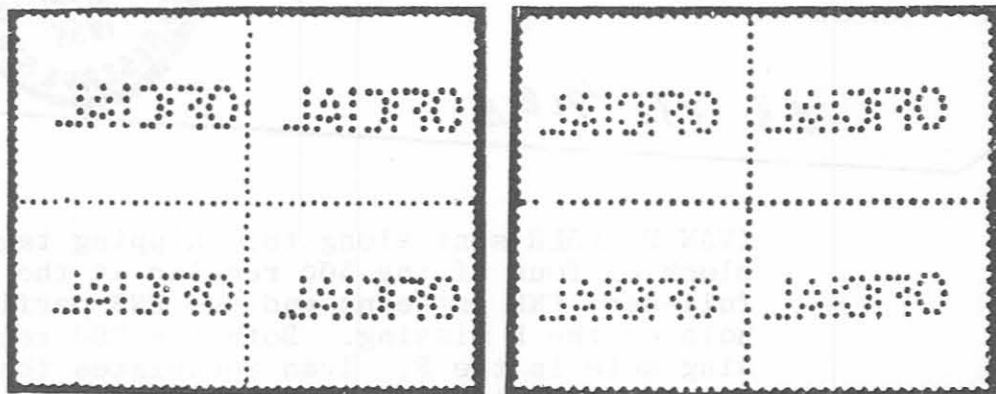
## About those Guatemala officials

Here are some answers to the questions we posed in the March *Bulletin* about Guatemala officials. The information comes from our foreign catalog coordinator, Bob Schwerdt, who cites the *Guatemala Handbook* as his source.

On October 31, 1911, according to Schwerdt, the president of Guatemala authorized the payment of 13 pounds, 5 shillings, to Waterlow & Sons, London, for a foot pedal press "which will serve to perforate stamps destined for franking official correspondence to the exterior." On April 10, 1912, he issued a decree which stated that all postage stamps for the franking of correspondence from the government directed to the exterior "shall be perforated with the word *OFICIAL*."

When the perforating machine was put into use, government offices submitted requisitions as stamps were needed and supplies were prepared accordingly, so there were no formal issue dates. The first use was probably in 1912, however.

The machine perforated blocks of four stamps at a time. Initially the perforator produced a 7-hole C in each of the four positions. But the perforator was damaged in the earthquake of 1917 and sent back to England for repairs. When it was returned (sometime around the end of 1924), the C in one position had eight holes, but the C in the other three positions each had nine holes--due in each case to the addition of extra pins to the dies in the first perforator. That accounts for the three known types of the perfins.



Mint examples of the perfin are none too common, but used copies with dated cancels are downright scarce and copies used legitimately on cover probably fall into the rare category. Schwerdt adds a note of caution: the perfins are often counterfeited! We will have more on counterfeits later.

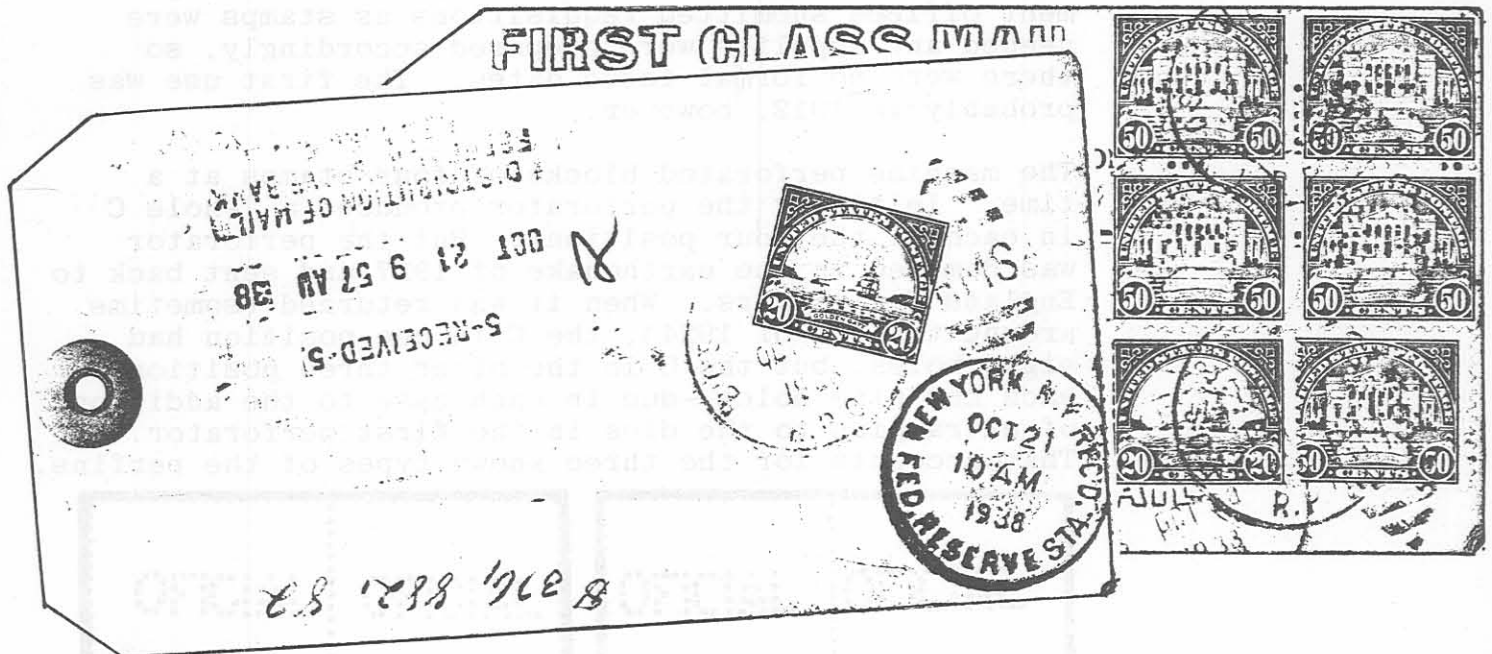
## Out of the in basket

THE LIBRARY NEEDS HELP. Somehow we wound up one copy short of the July/August 1977 issue of the Bulletin. We need the copy to complete our file of membership rosters. Can anybody help?



LATIN AMERICAN PERFINS are still largely unexplored, and there isn't even a worksheet for Peru. We do know, however, that there is an EH pattern which was used between 1929 and 1931 in Arequipa and a B.F.C. used in Lima on Scott 245, and a BM/AP used on Scott 214. All three items are in the collection of Bill Bladorn. Users? Bill doesn't know. We need more research in this area.

RONALD HOWLAND (408 California Avenue, Wahiawa, HI 96786) needs help from members on the precancelled perfins of Hawaii. Ron is putting together an exhibit and would like any information anyone can provide.



IVAN PFALSER sent along the shipping tag shown above. The block of four of the 50¢ regular at the top carries two full-perf FNB patterns and two FNB perfins with the top hole of the F missing. Both the 20¢ regulars have the missing hole in the F. Ivan speculates that the \$376,882.82 pencilled on the reverse of the tag is the amount of money in the bag which was attached to the tag. Question is: who put in his 2¢ worth?

IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN PERFINS ON COVER, drop a line to Ed Stuntzner, 1003 Exchange Street, Emporia, KS 66801 and tell him what you're looking for. Ed is the Sales Manager for Covers for the club and while his stock varies, he can usually provide a selection for you to choose from.



## Background on Japanese perfins

The third edition of *Japanese Perfins*, Sunao Adachi's standard reference work, comes with a partial English translation that makes it about ten times as useful to the average American collector than either the first or second editions.

In addition to making the catalog itself more useful, the translation provides some background material that has not been shared with American collectors before, at least not in the *Bulletin*.

Adachi's catalog lists, in addition to perfins, the embossed and handstamped security endorsements of Japan. The first security endorsement apparently was an embossed "seal" applied to stamps by the Oriental Bank Corporation of Yokohama. The date of first use is unknown because the stamp is cancelled with a cork chop showing the Y of Yokohama.



The first perfin apparently was Adachi type G-41 used by the North China Herald in Shanghai. Again the date of first use is unknown because the cancel is a cork chop propellor type used by the Japanese post office in Shanghai.



The first positive date of use is June 29, 1891, when Hong Kong Shanghai Bank's Yokohama Branch began to use Adachi type H-43. Soon after that many foreign companies in Yokohama and Kobe began using perfins. Japanese companies during that period began using small rubber stamps to serve the same purpose, largely because there were no perforators made in Japan and few perforators were arriving from overseas.

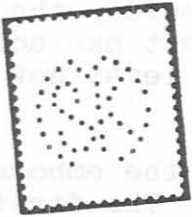
As the perforators did begin to arrive (Sloper's salesman apparently called in Japan during this period), the Japanese post office set down some regulations on September 11, 1908.

1. Users of perforated or embossed stamps must make an application showing their name, address, occupation, and the post office(s) where they wished to use the stamps.
2. The application must show clearly the perfin or the embossed design.
3. If the stamps are to be used in two or more postal areas, separate applications must be made in each.
4. A sample stamp must be affixed on a slip of paper 5x15 centimeters and the slip must show the name, address, and occupation of the user. A slip must be provided for each post office in a given postal area.
5. An application fee of 5 yen was required (it cost only 0.03 yen to mail a letter).
6. The application was good for only five years at which time it must be renewed for another 5 yen.

It should be noted that the 1908 regulations made it illegal to use handstamps as security endorsements.

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Perfins continued to be used widely through World War II, but when the war ended, so too did the widespread use of perfins. Many machines undoubtedly were destroyed in wartime bombings; the economic collapse at the end of the war closed many other businesses.



The first perfin authorized after the war was Adachi type G-38, issued to Sunao Adachi and his Philatelic Club on August 10, 1946. Some other users were renewed during the period which followed, but before perfins could again become popular, the postage meter arrived and the end of perfins was in sight.

On June 1, 1961, the Japanese postal system refused to accept further applications for perfins and declined to renew existing applications. As a result, the use of perfins ceased by the middle 1960s.

Clearly, the existence of the small slips of paper at post offices bearing an example of each authorized perfin along with the name and address of the user has been most helpful in identifying perfin users. Some of the slips have found their way into the hands of collectors, but many of the slips were destroyed in the war and they are far from plentiful.

It is interesting to note that the Japanese post office recognized three specific objectives in the use of perfins, embossing, and handstamping: to prevent the theft of stamps, to prove that the correspondence actually came from the sender listed on the cover (a problem with stationery theft?), and as advertising. The last objective is quite opposite to the philosophy of the British and American post offices, both of which considered advertising on stamps to be just a bit gauche.



One other tidbit gleaned from the English translation of Adachi: U. S. design #23 is listed in Adachi as the pattern of Mitsui and Company, which had a New York City branch. Adachi confirms the suspicion of George Fisher (see the June 1980 *Bulletin*).

The Adachi catalog is available to Perfins Club members for \$10 per copy postpaid. Please send your orders to Floyd A. Walker, Box 82, Grandview, MO 64030.

One further note: Adachi apparently has not done with the third edition what he did with the second...he has not changed the numbering system. A spot check shows uniformity of numbers between the second and third editions. What he has added is considerable information about users and some illustrations of unusual philatelic prizes. Even a moderate Japanese perfins collection justifies the \$10 investment.

## Building your personal perfins collection

You'll find 32 "personal" perfins listed in the new United States Perfins Catalog. Since the catalog was published, there have been seven more personal perfins issued by various groups and individuals.

If you don't have them all in your collection, here's some information which may help you locate copies.

A-215.5 (APS) is readily available from the American Philatelic Society, Box 800, State College, PA 16801, but only if you send along current postage and ask that it be perforated and returned to you.

Alan R. Miskimin lives at 25210 Danna Marie, San Antonio, TX 78257 and is quite generous about supplying copies of his ARM (A-231.7) perfin.

A-233.5 (ARI/PEX) is the perfin of the Arizona Federation of Stamp Clubs and it is normally used only on covers issued at the group's annual shows. You can get a few perfins on your current definitives, however, by writing Robert D. Corless, 1826 West Indianola Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85015.

Chris J. T. Carr is an Englishman whose C/·· pattern is known on British, U. S., and Swedish stamps, and maybe others. Chris will perforate your current issues if you'll send them along to him at 15 Crabble Lane, River, Dover, Kent CT17 OLP England. Two IRCs will help cover the cost of return mail.

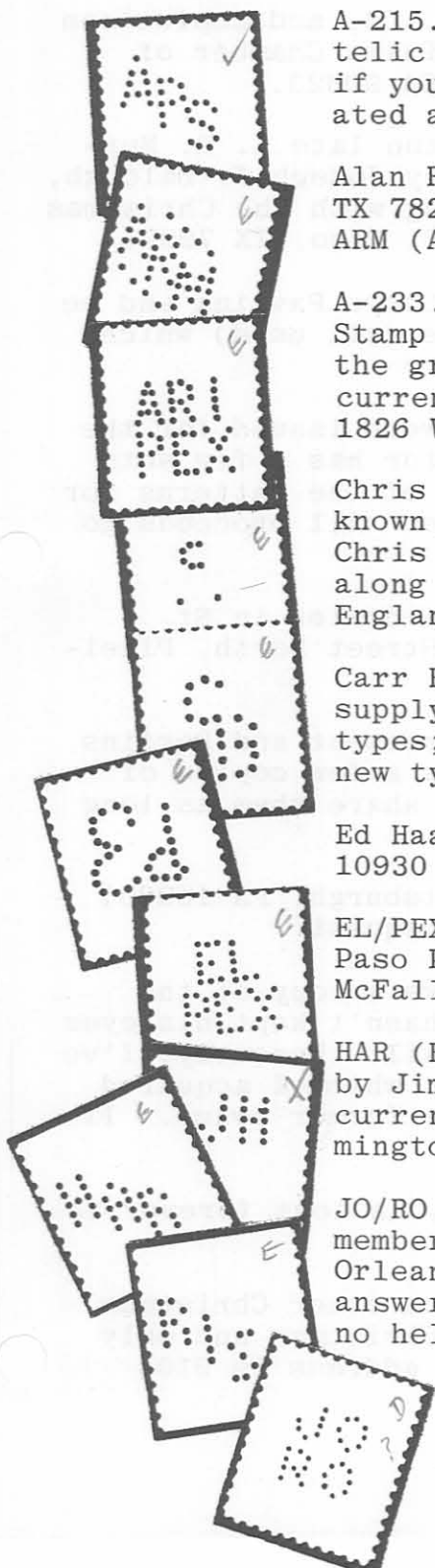
Carr Beebe (3545 Villa Terrace, San Diego, CA 92104) will supply copies of his CB pattern. There actually are two types; the one shown in the catalog was an experimental. The new type, slightly smaller in format, is currently in use.

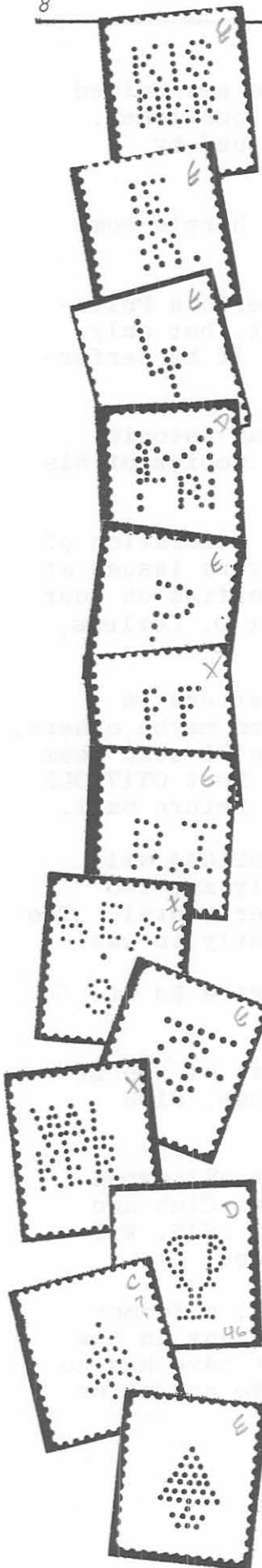
Ed Haack has his first name on his perfins. Write Ed at 10930 NE Klickitat, Portland, OR 97220.

EL/PEX perfins are used each year at the exhibit of the El Paso Philatelic Society. Write Joseph J. Balough, 9108 McFall Drive, El Paso, TX 79925.

HAR (H-21.5), RIS (R-94.5), and JH (J-55.7) are all owned by Jim Harris, a former president of the Perfins Club and current president of the SPA. Write Jim at Box 3646, Wilmington, NC 28401, for copies of any of the three.

JO/RO (J-115) was the pattern of Jo Ro Jung Jr., a former member of the club, whose last reported address was in New Orleans. We have written him several times but have had no answer (nor have our letters been returned). We can offer no help on this one.





KIS/NER is the pattern of Jacob Kisner of New York, a stamp dealer and operator of the Park Avenue Local Post. Kisner will supply copies of his perfin if you write him at 750 Park Avenue, New York 10021.

*L(E/R)*

ERL is the perfin of former member Everett R. Liebrich. Copies are available from the editor.

LP is the perfin of the City of La Palma, CA, and copies can be secured from John Burns, manager, La Palma Chamber of Commerce, 7822 Walker Street, La Palma, CA 90623.

LRM was one of the perforators owned by the late L. R. Murray. When his collection was purchased by Joseph J. Balough, the perforator was part of the deal--along with the Christmas tree. Balough is at 9108 McFall Drive, El Paso, TX 79925.

P-4 (P) is the pattern of former member Steve Pavlina and he has supplied the editor with a few copies (all used) which we will gladly pass along.

The PF patterns (P-80.1 through P-80.5) were issued for the Perfins Club meeting at SESCAL. The editor has a few sets of the five plus some duplicates of each of the patterns for sale at 50¢ for the set or 10¢ per single. All proceeds go to the library fund.

R.J. is the perfin of Robert J. Murrin, a dealer in St. Petersburg, FL. Write Bob at 7500 49th Street North, Pinellas Park, FL 33565.

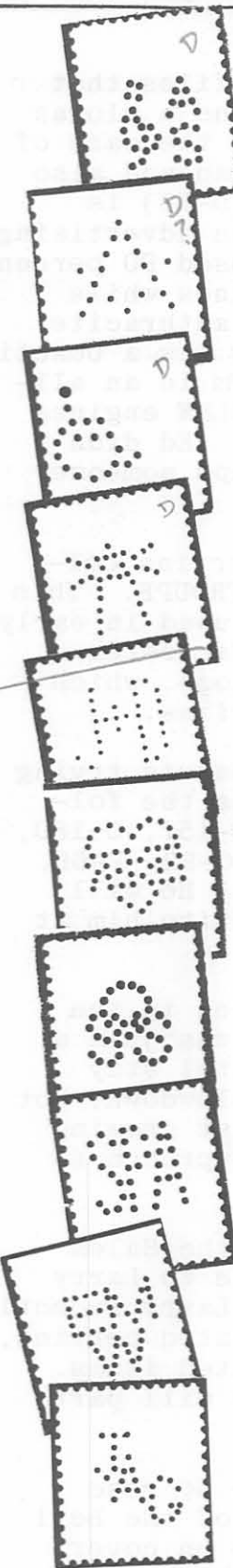
SEP/S is the perfin of the Security Endorsement and Perfins Society of Great Britain. The editor has a few copies of this pattern on 1¢ definitives and we'll share them as long as they last.

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Charles F. Tomala (175 Travis Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15236) will supply copies of his CFT perfin on request.

If there is anyone around who doesn't have a copy of the editor's WAL/KER perfin, it is clear he hasn't kept his eyes open. I use this one on nearly all my mail. Recently, I've begun using my second perfin, the TROPHY, which I acquired in September from Charles J. Reiling, the former owner. If you've missed either pattern, just yell.

The CHRISTMAS TREE (Design 44) apparently is lost forever to collectors. It may have been scrapped.

Joseph J. Balough can supply copies of the other Christmas tree (Design 44.5). He uses it only at Christmas and only on Christmas stamps, so yell now. Joe's address is 9108 McFall Drive, El Paso, TX 79925.



MUSIC perfins are the specialty of Albert Spencer, so it is no wonder that he uses his initials with the treble clef for his personal perfin. Write Al at Box 6, Angelus Oaks, CA 92305.

The late Ed Walsh acquired the MASONIC EMBLEM as a perfin shortly before he died. We have tried without success to find out what happened to the perforator.

Secretary John Needham is a WHEELCHAIR driver and so it is appropriate that he use a wheelchair as his perfin. Write John at 9801 Dewey Drive, Garden Grove, CA 92641 for a copy.

The LIGHTHOUSE was the idea of Rudy Roy, chairman of our show at VAPEX. Copies are available from J. Mahlen Melson, Box 31, Hampton, VA 23669.

That's the end of the perfins listed in the catalog. But there have been some others come out recently. Here's an update.

JIM HAMILTON and DON CLARK use the J+D (Jim and Don) pattern on mail from their mail order stamp sales office. Write Jim and/or Don at 6911 The Paseo, Kansas City, MO 64132.

Donald Eberhardt (3101 Jackson, Wichita, KS 67204) got the idea for his pattern (the Eber HEART) from an engraving on his grandfather's watch.

OSS is the pattern of the Oregon Stamp Society. You can obtain a copy by writing to John White, 708 NW Wallula Avenue, Gresham, OR 97030.

The SPA is not about to be outdone by the APS. The SPA pattern is available from Dr. John M. Buckner, 2560 NW 13th Street, Gainesville, FL 32601.

Ellen M. Weisz (Box 430, Arlington Heights, IL 60006) will share her EM/W pattern if you ask her.

And the newest entry in the personal perfins collection is the JAG of treasurer John A. Gooding. Write John at 923 North Anita Avenue, Gonzales, LA 70737.

That's the list. It's up to you to fill in the blanks you have in your collection.

Please remember when writing to collectors for their perfins to (1) enclose a stamped return addressed envelope (2) to ask for the perfin only on current stamps, and (3) to remember that the collectors who own these perforators are helping you. Treat them accordingly when you write.

**Clipped  
from  
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mail**

EDWARD S. HOYT sends along a clipping from his files that might interest railroad perfin fans. It concerns a slogan "The Route of Phoebe Snow" which was painted on the cars of the old Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad and also used in DL&W advertisements. The DL&W perfin (D-78) is fairly common. It seems that Phoebe Snow was an advertising character created for the railroad. The DL&W used 90 percent clean burning anthracite coal in its steam engines while other railroads used all bituminous coal. The anthracite produced much less smoke and soot. Phoebe Snow was a beautiful girl standing on a rear observation platform in an all-white dress, which helped make the point that DL&W engines didn't belch smoke and soot like other engines. Ed didn't send along an illustration of Phoebe, but perhaps someone can provide one we can share later.

ANOTHER ADVERTISING CHARACTER of interest to perfins collectors has been shared with us by VERNON S. STROUPE. This one is PROSPY, short for PROSPERITY, which was used in early 20th century advertising by the International Harvester Company. Note that Prospy is holding the IHC logo, which shows up on all the International Harvester perfins.

BACK ON THE SUBJECT OF RAILROADS, James P. Ehrbar is trying to complete his railroad collection and he needs the following perfins: C-80, C-232.5, C-299, C-412, G-157, G-180, K-23, K-56, L-82, M-188, M-272.5, N-20, N-195, O-92, P-69, Q-7, R-116, S-87, S-100, T-84, T-116, and V-25. He will buy or trade duplicates of his own material. Write him at 1250 Eastwood Drive, Anaheim, CA 92805.

VICE PRESIDENT DOROTHY SAVAGE says it took a week in the hospital to slow her down. Dorothy apparently was just a bit too active and her doctor decided the hospital stay might help her keep going later. Despite the slowdown, Dot is still keeping the Perfins Club membership list growing with her constant correspondence and friendly approach to all who ask for her help.

IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR SOME ELUSIVE PERFINS and the Sales Department hasn't been able to help, drop a note to Larry Owen (3887 Antigua Circle, Dallas, TX 75234). Larry recently purchased a large collection with about 150 A-rated perfins, about 500 Bs, some 30 Schermacks, and 1900 C-rated items. He'd like to trade for perfins he needs, but he will part with some items for cash.

JOE BALOUGH has acquired another Scott 505 (the 5¢ rose error) with a perfin. This one is on an N-173 of the Bell Telephone Company of Omaha. Joe also has a 505 on cover. Both items are in Joe's prize-winning exhibit which appears at shows around the country.



## **Seven ways to collect perfins**

**by  
Ray Crow**

In these times of runaway inflation, most of us who collect stamps would be pleased if we could find ways to cut down on our stamp expenditures without cutting down on our collecting pleasure.

To take up the collecting of perfins is in itself a move in that direction, because perfin collecting is one of the few recognized philatelic fields in which one can have a lot of collecting activity at relatively modest cost.

But among those of us who already are into perfins collecting, how many of us are getting the most out of our time and money? The writer submits that almost any perfin collector who has much of a collection at all could expand his or her activity through the basic collection--without even spending a cent! And, on this basis, future expenditures for perfins would be more meaningful and provide more activity.

How is this possible? Well, to address the proposition to you personally--especially if you are a relatively new collector--have you ever analyzed the subject of perfins collecting to see how many different facets it really offers you? Let's take a look at the anatomy of perfins collecting to see just what it does offer.

**BASIC PERFIN PATTERNS.** The object of basic perfin pattern collecting is to obtain as many different perfin patterns as possible from the country or countries in which one is interested. Generally speaking, the stamp issue or denomination on which one obtains the pattern is immaterial, although most collectors probably prefer them on definitive issues in vertical format.

**SYNOPTIC (ISSUE) COLLECTING.** In this approach, the object is to obtain perfins, regardless of their patterns, on as many different stamp issues as possible from the country or countries one chooses. Another approach is to try to obtain any given perfin pattern on as many different stamp issues as possible.

**TOPICAL PERFINS.** In this approach, the object is to obtain as many different perfins as possible relating to a specific topic--such as railroads, banks, schools, and so forth. Or one may reverse the procedure and try to obtain as many different patterns as possible on stamps relating to one topic, such as sports. It is even possible to combine the two topical approaches by forming a specialty in which both the stamp design and the perfin patterns relate to the topic selected--such as railroad perfins on the U. S. railroad commemorative, Scott 922. Some consider the collecting of design perfins, such as windmills, crosses, and so forth, as a topical approach.

**PERFIN PRECANCELS.** In this field, the object is to obtain as many perfins as possible on as many different U. S. stamp

issues as possible that have been precancelled. Perfin-precancels of many firms can be found on numerous stamps, and some of them involve several different precancel types from the same city. A very substantial collection can be built up in perfin precancels, and the chase is quite interesting as some of the stamps are very elusive.

**PERFIN VARIETIES.** In this approach, the collector looks for varieties in given perfins. The variation may occur in pin placement, missing pins, position varieties on the stamp, double perfinning, two different perfins on the same stamp, and so forth.

**PERFIN COVERS.** Collecting perfins on cover may be looked upon as a field within itself or as an adjunct to any of the fields mentioned earlier. Covers not only help confirm the identity of perfin users, they also dress up a collection and make it more interesting--and more impressive to judges in case you plan to exhibit your perfins.

**POSTAL MARKINGS ON PERFINS.** I suggest that the collecting and study of postal markings on perfins is another field you might find interesting. Like covers, postal markings are important to the identification of users because they at least pinpoint the city of use and thereby narrow the search for the identity of the user. But more than this, the postal markings on perfins can be turned into a field of their own. For example, one can form a collection consisting solely of socked-on-the-nose town cancellations on perfins. Or you can add to your enjoyment of perfins just by studying the postal markings on them. Nineteenth century British perfins are a fertile field for such study.

**THERE ARE OTHER WAYS** to collect perfins and perhaps you have come up with just the one for your greatest personal pleasure. But if you haven't maybe you'll find something here that interests you. The list of ways to enjoy perfins is almost endless.

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*EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the first of what we hope will be many more articles by former editor Crow. If you have a subject you'd like him to tackle in a future article, drop him at line at 1055 Tuxedo Drive, Roswell, GA 30075.*

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### **Need perfins?**

**NO MATTER WHAT WAY YOU COLLECT PERFINS**, there is a good chance that the Sales Department can be of help to you. Ivan Ley, the sales manager, will help you as much as he can with your needs. Drop him a line, tell him what you collect, and see if he can come up with something for you. One note though...there are others who also want to buy, so please make returns promptly. Write Ivan at Arena, WI 53503.



## **Canadian revenue perfins**

**by  
Michael  
Dicketts**

Private perfins on Canadian revenue stamps have had a long but undistinguished life for collectors of the exotic. More or less ignored by most collectors, revenue perfins often are passed by or put in the stockbook along with the rest of the "don't know what to do with it" material. No full listing has ever appeared to my knowledge, although they are noted in editions of the BNAPS Perfins Handbook and Bob Woolley was able to gather some information for his BNA Topics column in the 1950s and 60s.

Needless to say Canadian revenue perfins are open to fuller investigation. The best count I've been able to come up with shows 83 different perfin users who punched their initials on a variety of stamps beginning around 1915 and ending about 1943. These cover such issues as Federal Excise, War Tax, and Customs Duty stamps, plus rare examples on Ontario Stock Transfer and Saskatchewan Electrical Inspection stamps. By far the greatest number are known on the Excise Duty stamps of 1915-1923, 1915-1928, and 1934-43. So far we know that 57 different companies punched their initials on these types and probably more will be found.

A distinctive group of revenue perfins are those found on the 1912 and 1935 issues of Custom Duty stamps. Exclusively used by American companies who "prepaid" the tax on mailing advertising material to Canadian buyers, these are quite scarce and offer a challenge to the collector. A very recent find on a Custom Duty stamp is the first reported British design on a Canadian stamp. Although there are only 14 different perfin designs known on these issues, I doubt that anyone has all of them and most of us count ourselves lucky to own four or five.

Perfins being the step-child of philately, it's easy to understand why so few revenue perfins are around. The percentage of revenues punched would be small in comparison to the total number issued. These, in turn, would be rejected by some as damaged copies and probably destroyed. Revenue usage itself tends to eliminate much saving among general collectors. All of these reasons are cause to make revenue perfins elusive items.

But I hope these notes will alert the reader to the possibilities of a sideline collection. Why not take a fresh look at what you have lying around the stamp den? I will be glad to answer any questions you have or identify any revenue perfins you come across.

I also appeal to you to write and tell me what items are in your collection. The newly formed Perfins Study Group of BNAPS is about to begin a survey and this sort of information is urgently needed. Please write to me at 61 Alwington Avenue, Kingston, Ontario K7L 4R4 CANADA.

## What are your perfins worth?

What's it worth? That's probably the most frequently asked question by perfins collectors and non-collectors alike. It's also one of the toughest questions to answer.

Most of us are attracted to perfins collecting, at least in part, because it is a branch of philately that hasn't been reduced to terms of catalog values and pre-printed albums that must be filled with mint-never-hinged bits that often have been issued for commercial rather than postal purposes. To most collectors, the stamps we most treasure are junk.

We do try, however, to place some value on our perfins. In answer to a demand for a means of telling whether a perfin is very scarce or very common, Claude W. Cain developed a system of "relative ratings" for U. S. perfins. Cain assigned an alphabetical code to each perfin. The codes were based on a survey of the major collections of the early 60s and have proven remarkably accurate over the years. Ley and Balough have updated the ratings for perfins added since then and the individual ratings are included in the new U. S. Perfins Catalog.

The ratings go like this:

- A -- Rare--only about 5 known copies
- B -- Scarce--only about 50 known in existence
- C -- Difficult--found in the 2400 to 3600 variety collections
- D -- Common--found in collections up to 2400 types
- E -- Very Common--make up the bulk of the under 1200 collections

Two things must be kept in mind. The ratings apply to the perfins, not to the stamps. A particular pattern on a very common stamp is rated the same as the same pattern on a very scarce stamp. And, the ratings are intended only to convey the relative scarcity of the perfins, not to be a substitute for prices.

Putting dollar values to these letters is tough. Auction prices tend to be higher than prices in the sales books, probably because collectors tend to get a bit carried away with the idea of buying something they need "at any price" in an auction while they are a bit more careful when they have time to ponder over a sales book.

A-rated perfins obviously are worth more than B rated items (at least in most cases) and so on down the line. E-rated perfins can be elusive, but most are disgustingly common. You'll have to study auction results, sales books, and consult your own pocketbook to find out how much you can or should pay for a perfin you need.

The important thing is to be aware of the relative scarcity of perfins. That's what the A, B, C, D, and E rating system is all about.

## Perfins on Scott 332 and 375, continued

This month we wind up the checklist of perfins on Scott 332 and 375 compiled by Larry Owen. The first two installments of the checklist were published in the September and the October issues. If you have additions to the list, or if you'd like to discuss these issues with Larry, write him at 3887 Antigua Circle, Dallas, TX 75234.

M	M	N	N	O	P
113	227	41	163*	71	107
115	234	47	164	73	109*
116*	238	49	167	74	11
119*	239	53	168	75	112
120*	244	54	171*	76	127
123	245	59	172*	81	128
123.7*	251*	68	175	84	129
125	252	71	177*	87.5	132A
129	258*	75	179*	92*	133
130	265*	76	181	93	136*
134	270	77	182		138
135	271	79	184	P	139
140	275	80	188	2*	142
142.5*	276	81	190	3	150
144*	276.5	83	191	6*	153
148	277	84	192	11	159
152	279	85	202	13	170
153	280	96*	204	22	171
155	285*	97*	207	23*	173.5
160	287	99	211	24	174*
161	289	101*		29	180
162*	292	103	O	34	181
165	296	105	1*	37	184*
168	300	106	4	46	185*
170	301*	107	12	50*	190*
173	302	108	24	51	191*
177	303	112	26	52*	199
178*	305	113	32	55*	203
180	306	113.5B	36	56*	214
185	307	116	39*	57	215
188*	308	119	40*	60	221
191		121	42*	71A	222*
192	N	122*	44	72	224
198	2	129	50	75.5	231
201*	3*	131	52	83*	239
203	7	133	53*	89	248
204a	10	139	55	90	250
215	11	146	57	92*	252
217	12	148*	59	95	253
218	22	153	62	95.5	253.5
219	32	155	68A	101	
224	36	158B	69	102*	Q
225*	38	161	70	106	3

Q	R	S	S	T	U
5*	132	91*	255	3	12*
6*	136	92*	258*	12	13
7	137	94	265	19	19*
8	138	95*	266	26	24
9	140	106*	267	28	25
10	142	107	268	32	27
	148*	111.5	270	41	28*
	151	118	272	42	31*
R	152	129	273*	43.5	50
2*	159	130	275	44*	59*
3	162	131	280	48	60
7*	163	133	286	50	64
11	167*	134	287	51*	67*
13	170	136	288	54*	72
16*	172	138	290	56	73
18	173	164	292	58	75
19		167	297	59*	79
20	S	170	298*	60	82
23.5	6	172	299	61	83
26	7	176	300	68	86
30	8	177*	301	73	89
37	11	180	302	75	91*
42	14*	184	303*	76	97
46	18	185	306	79	103
48	21*	190	307	81*	
49*	22	197	309	83	V
54	26	198	314*	84	2
59	27	199	321.5	85	11*
61*	29	200	322	86	22*
62	34	201	328*	87	26
69	35	203	329	91*	27a
74	42	205	330	92	29
75	43	206	333	97	30
86	44	207	337	101	31
88	45	208	338	103	
89	46	213a	342	104	W
94	49	215	344	107*	2.5*
96	57	217*	345	108.5	3
99	58	219	346*	110	7
103	60	223	347	115	12
104	64	225*	348	119	13
106	65	227	350	120*	16
109	69	228	352	122	16.5
115	70	229	355	123	17
116	71	233	356*	124*	18*
117	76	234	357*		19*
119	78	235	359	U	21*
121	80	242	364	1	23
121a	82*	245	365	2	26
124	87	250	366*	6*	28*
126	89	253*	367	10*	30

W	W	W	W	Z	Des.
31	91	131	194	1*	6*
36*	94	133	195	3	7
37	96	134	196		9*
46	98	140	197	Num.	10
50	102	141	211	1	11
54	103*	142A	212	3*	14
58*	104	144	214	4	16
62	105	149	261	5	17
65*	106	155	218	11	18
66	109	160*	220	17	19*
70*	110	162	224	21*	21
71	112	163*	225	22	22
72	113	171	228	25	23
75	114	172		26	27A
77	117	173	Y	27	33*
79	118	178	2	29	38
80	125	183	6		
82	126	186	8	Des.	
83	127	188	10	1*	
87*	129	189	11	4	
89	130	193		5	

This concludes the list compiled by Larry Owen. If you have additions or corrections that should be made, contact Larry. Only your input can make this complete and correct.

### **Danish collection for sale**

More than 750 different patterns mounted face down on black paper. In addition, the collection includes DAB (Danish State Railways) 3 patterns, 46 issues; SK (Danish State Grain Office) 2 patterns, 38 issues; StD (Danish Department of Statistics) 2 patterns, 38 issues; Crown StP (Danish State Police) 1 pattern, 10 issues; CHI (International Harvester) 1 pattern, 16 issues; ESSO (Standard Oil) 2 patterns, 46 issues; (K) (Kodak) 1 pattern, 38 issues; and two patterns, 57 issues of the cross.

The stamps in this collection are above average for a foreign collection. Not over 20 stamps with incomplete or slightly damaged patterns.

Buyer to pay half the purchase price upon notification of win and balance plus postage and insurance upon receipt of merchandise. Include your complete address and your telephone number with your bid.

Your bid must be in the hands of auction chairman John A. Gooding 923 North Anita Avenue, Gonzales, LA 70737, no later than noon Monday, February 2, 1981.

The reserve bid on this outstanding collection is \$200.

**Is  
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and a lot of patience? We need an index of the articles that have appeared in the Perfins Bulletin.

Over the years, an incredible amount of information has appeared in these pages. Unfortunately, much of it is hard to retrieve except by patiently searching through past issues.

We'd like to be able to publish an index to each year's issues so an interested collector could refer to the index and go right to the articles he or she is seeking.

Somewhere out there, there surely must be a member with the talent and experience necessary to put together an index for us. Copies of the Bulletin are in the library and can be loaned. If you're interested in undertaking the project, write the editor. Your fellow members will be grateful for your efforts.

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The following members have not paid their dues for 1980-81 and are being dropped from the rolls under the terms of the Bylaws.

Acanfora (1734), apRoberts (1837), Barclay (1435), Beebe (1591), Bergstrom (1662), Black (1344), Bro (1469), Brown (1856), Brynda (1778), Burke (317), Canfield (1641), Carlson (1540), Cary (1685), Christiansen (1572), Cicone (1768), Clarkson (1811), Clugston (753), Craddock (1430), Cramer (1738), Crandall (1574), Davis (688), Dow (1276), Ertzberger (1796), Faulkner (1841), Fitzgerald (1543), Garsson (1347), Gilgis (1766), Goff (1441), Gruenzner (1498), Gunderson (1781), Haley (460), Hancer (1858), Hayes (1079), Helling (1653), Henderson (1268), Hopper (1789), Johnson (1516), Joleun (1767), Kamaka (1499), Kessler (1394), Kowalewski (1510), Kraybill (1423), Lazo (1361), Lee (1808), Levesque (1785), Lewis (1669), Lindauer (1761), Marvin (1765), Mass (1350), Montello (1819), Nichols (771), Oberaitis (1146), Pangburn (1628), Parkhurst (1704), Patterson (1266), Peluso (1803), Poland (1483), Putinsky (1554), Reiser (1595), Richerson (1295), Rieck (1832), Riek (1728), Romaine (1224), Sanders (1851), Schmidt (1324), Seyfarth (1071), Shew (1042), Sielken (1598), Slattery (1585), Sloat (942), Smith (1542), Smith (1813), Stein (1801), Stich (1335), Stotlemeyer (658), Stultz (1224), Subert (1461), Tool (1629), Trammell (1410), Unterberger (1194), Vasbinder (1727), Wagner (1473), Walkham (1688), Webster (1425), White (1460), Whitehead (1101), Wolfe (1698), Worley (1144), Wruck (1006), and Zippmann (1120).

We hate to see these folks go, but we just can't afford the luxury of carrying non-paying members.



## Cover talk

The two covers here are from the collection of Florence Harrell (#966) who asks why they carry perfins that seem to have no direct connection with the cachets. The cover at top, which commemorates the Long Island Tercentenary of 1936, carries a GE perfin while the first flight cover at bottom carries an F-19 (FAC) perfin, which remains unidentified in the catalog.

Why these perfins on these covers? Our best guess is that they represent unauthorized use of stamps. We can envision someone preparing covers "at the office" and dipping into the office postage box. It could be that Fred Sanders was an official at GE and that Ivan Larson was entitled to use the FAC postage.

Such covers aren't terribly uncommon. They are interesting, however, because they point up that perfins don't always prevent unauthorized use of postage stamps.

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Grandview, MO 64030

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Postage Paid  
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P-1329  
Mistretta, P A  
326 Choctaw Dr  
Pineville LA 71360

## Secretary's report

Join us in welcoming two new members this month--and two new life members.

- 1902 Michael Behm Canada and Great Britain  
#32-201 Erb Street West, Waterloo, Ontario N2L 1V6  
1903 Dr. Juho (Joe) Knepp CA, AU, GB, US, Estonia  
Box 1989, Medley, Alberta TOA 2M0  
LM79 Richard W. Rees, Box 1443, Logan, OH 43138 (#911)  
LM80 Jack Koch, Box 784, Cherry Hill, NJ 08003 (1471)

Closed Albums: Harold P. Baecker #1008

Resignations: Edmund B. Alger #520; Jerome L. Byers #1789;  
John P. Eddy #1008; Jean-Guy LaFleur #1640; Alfred  
C. Nelson #605; Philip B. Stiness #1328; and John  
Welsh #935.

Address Changes: The post office has changed Robert T.  
Comb's zip code to 95009. Other changes include...

- 1737 Richard W. Boosey Jr., 1152 Pleasant Street, Worcester,  
MA 01602  
1755 Jack B. Payne, 301 Maple Street, St. Simons Island,  
GA 31522  
203L Thomas O. Phippen, c/o Mrs. R. McClain, 200 Edgewood,  
Columbia, MO 65201  
1874 Franklin R. Visser, 42 Leverette Avenue, Revere, MA 02151

## A collector tip

Here's a tip to make your U. S. Catalog (or any other catalog) more useful. One member we know has punched a bunch of manila stock sheets for a three ring binder and placed one sheet at the end of the A section, another at the end of the B section, and so on. He made Xerox copies of the last page in each section (after reading the suggestion in the February Bulletin) so the section split is easier to handle. He uses the stock sheets to sort the perfins he needs to mount in each section and to store the perfins until he can find time to mount them. He says it is easier than trying to juggle a separate stock book.