

# The Bulletin

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## Notes from here and there...

### Noted in other literature

*The Philatelic Communicator*, Third Quarter, 1994, contains a review of *The Cumulative Index to the Perfins Bulletin*, 1993, Rudy Roy. The review written by Charles J. Peterson notes:

*The Perfins Bulletin* has been and remains a major reference for U.S. stamps with perforated initials and symbols, and is in fact a leader in document such collectibles on a world-wide basis.

The review then goes on to point out the formidable task that faced Roy in compiling the *Index*. While the review disagrees somewhat with the subjects and labeling, it ends with:

"Regardless of its weak points and its somewhat idiosyncratic approach, this index works well for the type material it covers, and the compiler is to be congratulated for it. Others who face similar problems of indexing might profit by looking at Roy's pragmatic approach."

*The Missouri Mule* for summer 1994 arrived in mid-November. The Missouri Precancel Club has been catching up for several years and it looks like they are getting close. Gary Hendren spins an tale of how he acquired a pre-canceled MILWAUKEE error in block of 9, mint at a local club meeting. Mulefest '95 will be in the Budgettel Inn in St. Charles on June 15-16, 1995. An article on "Almost Precancels" and a Missouri type and type count are also provided.

**JoAnn Thomas** (#835) was awarded a Vermeil award, the WESTPEX merit award and the American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors creativity award for her display "A Sampling of United States Perfins" at SESCAL. SESCAL '94 was sponsored by the Federation of Philatelic Clubs of Southern California on September 30 - October 1, 1994. Keep up the good work!

## The Perfin Society's New Illustrated Catalog of Great Britain Perfins: A Review John Lyding.

Published by The Perfin Society, Great Britain, Edited by Roy Gault, 8-1/4 x 11-11/32, white paper, shrink wrapped, loose pages.

I was somewhat shocked when I went to the Post Office counter to pick up an item that would not fit in my Post Office Box. As the clerk came back out of the hidden recesses, she was carrying a familiar large white Perfins Club envelope, but it was franked with British stamps. I almost tore it open at the counter, but a sharp reminder about the length of the line caused me to move.

When I finally opened the envelope, I was first upset and then delighted. I was upset to see that the printing on what I took to be the cover of the enclosed catalog had bleed into its shrink wrapping. When the shrink wrapping was removed, I found that the top sheet was not the cover and probably had been used to prevent the bleeding damage to the catalog. I was delighted to find that the Perfins Club envelope had been recycled and the first section of The Perfin Society (GB) new illustrated catalog was enclosed. The catalog is being issued in sections and may be purchased by subscription.

The first impression is one of massiveness. If one considers the number of British perfins, it is easy to recognize that when completed, this will be a catalog that will weigh in with a tremendous amount of perfin philatelic knowledge. Technically, the "New Illustrated Catalog" is an order of magnitude improvement over previous catalogs. The catalog is printed on one side of smooth white paper, the illustrations and data are crisp and clear, adequate space has been provided on the left to permit ring binding, and leaves only one item to be desired. (that not under control of the either The Perfins Society or The Perfins Club).

The main entries contain the following data: Usage period, earliest and latest dates recorded,

Crofton, Maryland  
December 15, 1994

In the last issue, I noted some of the advantages of being editor. One of the disadvantages of being editor is writing this column. Consider that this issue of the Bulletin will reach you next year. While Evelyn and I are still getting ready for Christmas, I have to shift my mind-set to January, 1995.

For Thanksgiving we woke to find a light coating of snow on the ground. It did not survive until noon, but there is that old wife's tale. You will have as many snow days as the day of the first snowfall. I am not looking forward to 24 snow days this winter.

At the end of November and beginning of December, I went to Plano, Texas to attend a meeting for Driver License Reciprocity. The states are improving their state-to-state computer communications system. We also have a few new driver license problems since the passage of the North American Free Trade Agreement with respect to the drivers of large trucks in international trade.

While I was in Texas, The National Traffic Highway Safety Administration (NHTSA) released a report comparing alcohol related traffic fatalities in the United States. I was proud to read that, Maryland had the lowest rate (28 percent). The nationwide rate is 43 percent, with one state at 70 percent.

The message of the report is clear, "Don't drink and drive! Fortunately, most of us have gotten that message a long time ago.

\*Next Sunday, Evelyn and I will leave for Las Vegas where we will be spending a few weeks with our daughter Karen and granddaughters Lauren and Ali holidays. A side trip to the Grand Canyon will be my first venture to the Colorado River.

John

### First Dues Notice

It is not too early to send your 1994-95 dues payment to our Secretary, Ralph W. Smith. His address is PO Box 895111, Leesburg, FL 34789. Dues are \$10.00 (\$13.00 in Canada - \$15.00 elsewhere). Dues must be paid in US funds. The Club does not mail renewal notices.

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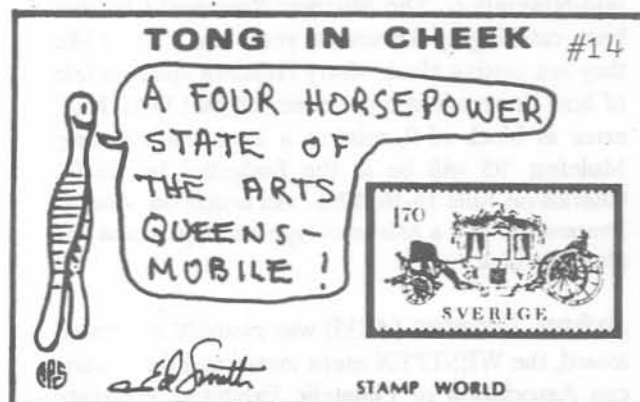
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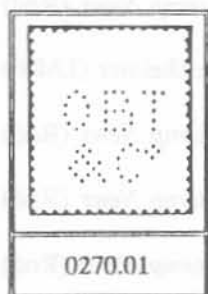
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known values (issues) recorded (watermark and color if necessary to differentiate), users identity, and postmarks (generally only used when the user is unknown).

The illustration, taken from the introductory sheet provided as a temporary measure until the full introduction has been published, provides an example of the entries. The more experienced perfin collector will immediately recognize that this is a departure from the previous British catalogs. In the past, one volume contained the information and a second companion volume contained the illustrations. Combination of both illustrations and data are a boon to the collector. However, a non-illustrated catalog is also available to provide a lower cost to the collector on a limited budget.

To conserve space, some codes have been used. These codes, 26 to cover issues, are an example of the fine detail that has been taken by the catalog's editor, Roy Gault. Our congratulations and thanks to Roy whom we are proud to also claim as a member. Worth purchasing and mandatory for the collector of the perfins of Great Britain.

The item left to be desired? One would think that paper sizes could be standardized throughout the world.



In use: 1895-1911.  
Dates: 16 Mar 1896 - 7 Mar 1911.  
Issues: B 1d E ½d(both), 3d  
F ½d(both), 1d, 2d, 4d, 6d  
Ident: O'Brien, Thomas & Co,  
White Lion Wharf & Paul's  
Wharf, 17 & 18 Upper  
Thames St, London EC3.

### Want Ads and Notices

If you wish to place an advertisement or notice in the *Bulletin*, please mail it to the Editor: John Lyding, PO Box 3342, Crofton, MD 21114-3342, USA.

**WANTED** - The Perfins Club Cover Sales Division urgently needs covers to meet perfin collectors needs. Send your duplicates in, marked with your desired selling price. If you are in doubt, our cover

sales manager will be glad to help you price materia. Contact Millard J. Driscoll, Cover Sales Manager, 301 Driver Ave., Summerville, SC 20483.

**FOR SALE** - 650+ Foreign mounted collection, includes Canada, GB and others. \$75.00 plus postage. 450+ unchecked, most US mounted on homemade pages, \$50.00. Also available *The Perfins Bulletin*, 1958-80 and other catalogs, updates and officials, inquire if interested. Dick Laetsch (#3047), 108 Ashswamp Rd., Scarborough, ME 04074.

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**WANTED** - Perfins on Albert Einstein stamps, also precancels. I collect any items relative to Einstein. Please send or send photocopy. Harry Flower (#3158), 3 Wheaton Center, Apt. 315; Wheaton, IL 60187.

**1995 Annual Meeting News** Ray Jones, Ringmaster (From *The Precancel Forum*)

Welcome to the Circus. It will be held on August 1-5, 1995, with early clowns arriving on July 31. The place is the Radisson Hotel, 4727, Concord Pike (Route 202), Wilmington, DE. The PSS/Perfins Club room rate is just \$70.00 which includes a complementary *USA Today* newspaper. The reservation telephone number is 800-333-3333 or 302-478-6000, mention the PSS Convention.

The circus will be the theme this year of the PSS Convention. There will be original signs advertising the circus is coming to town. Maybe real live clowns in costume will greet you at the door or in the bourse room.

The Eastern Pennsylvania Precancel Society is going ALL OUT to make this the biggest and best ever. We started work on it during June 1993. The main cast of characters are:  
Ringmaster - Raymond Jones; Lion Tamer - Art Damm; Elephant Trainer - Bob Kucsan; Head Clown - Cindy Chester; Assistant Clown - Angel Jones; Bourse Trainer - Glenn Erb.

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The Secretary's Report  
The Secretary is Ralph W. Smith  
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- 3263 Geldzahler, Barry J.; PO Box 6184; Springfield, VA 22150  
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- 3276 Cech, Betty J.; 1196 Hillcrest Dr.; Vale, OR 97918  
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- 3279 Sellhorn, Mark S.; 3730 Worthington; Lincoln, NE 68502  
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- 3280 McCulloch, Peggy J.; 578 Cliff; Lander, WY 82520  
General Beginner By: *Linn's Stamp News* (Rod)
- 3281 Locke, Edwin A.; 85 Curtis Ter.; Fairfield, CT 06432  
Beginner By: *Linn's Stamp News* (Rod)
- 3282 Wingeron, Nickolaus; 3137 Methacton Ave.; Norristown, PA 19403  
US Beginner By: *Linn's Stamp News* (Rod)
- 3283 Myslinski, David A; 412 Main St. Rd.; Spring Grove, IL 60081  
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**RESIGNED:**

- |      |                    |      |                    |      |                        |
|------|--------------------|------|--------------------|------|------------------------|
| 2872 | Grier, W. Tom      | 2867 | Coelho, Joseph D.  | 2231 | Shrimplin, LeJuan      |
| 3229 | Starr, Mickey      | 2093 | Boeshaar, David F. | 7835 | De Lear, William N.    |
| 2571 | Atkins, Dorothy B. | 1623 | Mann, George T.    | 2312 | Alsop, William F.; Jr. |
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**SUMMARY:**

Members as of June 30, 1994	831
New Members	+25
Reinstated	+2
Resigned	-13
Members as of July 31, 1994	845

**Palestine Perfins and Non-Perfins**

Dr. Arthur M. Hochheiser, Lodi, New Jersey

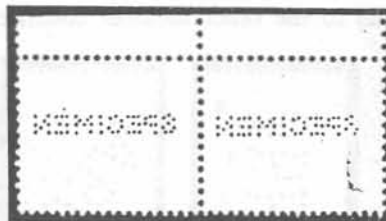
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"Perfin" is an acronym composed of the first four letters of the word "Perforated" and the first two letters of the word "Initial". For convenience the letter "S" is added making the word "Perfins" as it is usually found in the plural.

In philately, the term is used for one or a series of punched out holes on stamps not involving the outer perforations. Such stamps are variously termed "Branded Stamps", "Punchies", "Punch Perforated", "Punctured" and "Spifs" (the last an acronym for Stamps Perforated with Initials of Forms and Societies of Stamps Perforated for Insurance against Fraud).

There are two major uses for perfins. The first use is to indicate a variety of Postal Administration usages. Such devices have been used on stamps as far back as 1854 when single holes were used on the stamps of Western Australia to indicate "official" postage stamps. In 1882, stamps of British Guinea

were perforated "specimen" as a precaution against fraud on its revenue stamps by forgery. Beginning in 1888, issues of Tunisia were perforated with the letter "T" signifying "postage due". In the following year 1889, Spain used the single perforation hole to designate that the stamps had been "telegraphically" used. In 1917, Argentina perforated holes on stamps forming part of the word "Inutilizado" signifying that the stamps had been canceled by the perforations in payment of postage on the bulk mailing of newspapers.



Figures 1, 2, and 3  
Top left to right and bottom

To this list must be added the "PG" perfin found on the 1921 issue of Palestine. This stands for Palestine Government. The major official use of the "specimen" perfin was by many countries of the world at the behest of the Universal Postal Union (UPU) to be distributed to other member countries as examples of their postage stamps for identification purposes.

The second major use of perfins was for private application, but with official sanction, as a protection against pilferage. This was well before the use of postage meters in popular use today as a guard against the steeling of stamps. Such use was first authorized in Great Britain in 1869 and later in the United States in 1908. Such private perforations are to be found on the stamps of well over 100 countries.

During the Palestine Mandate, both types of perfins were in use. The first was authorized for private usage. The Palestine perfins are listed here.

(1) Figure 1 shows the "PG" perfin which stands for Palestine Government. This perfin is extremely rare and only one copy has been reported in the literature. It is found on the 2 millimenes stamp of the London I Issue released in 1921. It is not clear what the intent was of the Postal Administration in introducing this perfin. Whether it was to be used for "Official" postage or as a design against the theft of its stamps at its own agencies is not known. For technical reasons relating to the means of applying the perforations this perfin was not put into general use.

(2) Figure 2 shows the arc "specimen" perfin found only on the 6 mil value of the PD III Issue released in 1933. Other values of this set were overprinted "specimen". The purpose was for identification as described above.

(3) Figure 3 shows the straight line "specimen" perfin. This appears vertically on the 4, 7, 8, 13, 15 mil values and horizontally on the 250, 500 mil and 1 pound values (1942). The purpose of these "specimen" perfins was for identification to be distributed to the other member countries of the UPU.



Figures 4 and 5, Left to right

(4) Figure 4 shows the "KKL" perfin. These are the initials of the Hebrew words *Keren Kayamet L'Isreal* (Jewish National Fund). They are known in four positions: correct upright, inverted upright, turned right to left upright and inverted. These are known on several values of both the London II and Pictorial Issues. These were authorized by the government, clearly for anti-theft purposes.

(5) Figure 5 shows the "APC" perfin. These are the initials of the Anglo Palestine Company. They are found on the London I Issue and on many values of the London II and Pictorial Issues in eight different positions. These were government authorized for anti-theft purposes.

A full listing of the "KKL" and "APC" perfins may be found in the Bale Palestine catalogue. So much for the reported Palestine Perfins!

While this full discussion has not been previously covered in the Holy Land literature, in itself, it would not contain the unreported material required for a separate article on this subject. Recently at a meeting of the Palestine Study Group of the Central New Jersey Chapter of The Society of Israel Philatelists (SIP), one of the newer members brought in a group of stamps (Figure 6) which contained perfin (?) like perforations. These stamps were all 7 mil pictorials with both the rose and violet colors. None of the more experienced members could offer an explanation. However, on reflection, one of our group remembered seeing a 1928 bank check (Figure 7) with identical perfin (?) like perforations. Closer examination showed that the perfin (?) like perforations in Figure 6 were part of a two-line machine punch with the word "PAID" and a "DATE" below. This was obviously applied by one of the banks, having authorized payment on the check. Of particular interest in Figure 7 is that the machine punch goes through the 7 mil stamp. The stamp was applied in Palestine in payment of the special taxes authorized by the government. It was only coincidental that the machine punch went through the stamp here as it did in all of the stamps shown in Figure 6. Checks have been seen with similar punches but in different sized letters and numbers. In all cases where there was a stamp it has been canceled by a hand stamp as required by authorities. Two other interesting observations are evident. First not all checks seen have a stamp applied in payment of the tax. There must have been some alternative method of paying the tax. Second, some stamps, off paper, have been seen with machine punch letters or numbers different in size from those illustrated in Figure 7.

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FAR EAST

HONG KONG

LO	L & Co	LS	M.B.I	MBK	M.C
A45	A46	A47	A48	A49	A50

M&C		NA S C	N. C. B. N. Y.	NCH	
A51		A52	A53	A54	

P C A	P&Co	P&O B.C	P&O	P&O	Q.B & Co
A55	A56	A57	A58	A59	A60

S&G	SHS	S K	S.M.A.C	T C & S	T C & S
A61	A62	A63	A64	A65	A66

T C & S	U T		V.H & Co	W&Co	Y S B
A67	A68		A69	A70	A71

III FAR EAST

COMPANY

LOCATION

HONG KONG (fiscal perfins)

- B1 (A1) Arnhold Karberg & Co.
- B2 (A2) Asiatic Petroleum Co.-Hong Kong
- B3 (-)
- B4 (A8)
- B5 (A14)
- B6 (A16)
- B7 (-)
- B8 (A17) Carlowitz & Co.
- B9 (A18) Carlowitz & Co.
- B10 (-) Chase National Bank of New York(?)
- B11 (A20) Deutsche Asiatische Bank
- B12 (A30)
- B13 (A33) Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corp.
- B14 (A37) Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corp.
- B15 (A38) Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corp.
- B16 (A39) Holliday Wise & Co.
- B17 (A40) Imperial Bank of China
- B18 (A45) Lane Crawford
- B19 (A53) National City Bank of New York
- B20 (-) Overseas China Banking Corporation(?)
- B21 (-) South China Steamboat Co.(?)
- B22 (A68) Union Trading Co.

NOTES:

1. Numbered types in parentheses refer to corresponding postal issues.



**Auction #53 - Closes March 31, 1995**

Lots will be sold to the highest bidder at the following advances over the next highest bidder. Under \$1.00, a 5c advance; \$1.00 to \$2.00, a 10c advance; \$2.00 to \$5.00, a 25c advance; \$5.00 to \$20.00, a 50c advance; and over \$20.00, a \$1.00 advance.

No unlimited bids, no single bids for groups of lots. In case of tie bids, the first bid received will be accepted. Cash deposits not required. All single perfins are complete and in good condition unless otherwise specified. Straightedges (natural) are not considered damage. In larger lots or mixes, incomplete patterns, split patterns, and duplication are to be expected. All lots are returnable if not as described, EXCEPT, larger lots or mixes. Lots must be paid for or returned within THREE (3) days of receipt. **BID BY LOT NUMBER.**

**Abbreviations used in this auction:**

ADD-All Different Dies      DDF-Different Die &/or Face  
 QNTY-Quantity              MDD-Mostly Different Dies  
 MB-Minimum Bid            EST-Estimate  
 ID-Identification          Pat-Pattern  
 Preper-Precanceled perfin  
 SE (L/R/T/B)-Straightedge (Left/Right/Top/Bottom).  
 Natural SE's will be noted as such and are not considered "damaged".  
 ( )-in QNTY column = number of damaged stamps in the lot.  
 Perf faults - Any of a number of different faults relating to the perforations (pulled perfs, thinned perfs, blunt perfs, etc.).  
 (?) -indicates the column data it is next to, is in question.

Please send bids to:      Joe Coulbourne  
 705 Prince Alien Court  
 Virginia Beach, VA 23454  
 Telephone: 804-425-2290

**FOREIGN STAMPS AND MIXES**

Lot	Description	QNTY
1	Pat C94 (C.V.) on #268. Crease	1(1)
2	Pat F69 (F.L.) on #102a	1
3	Pat F95 (F.R.) on #346,350,306(flts) on piece	3(1)
4	Pat G90 (G.P.) on #77	1
5	Pat H121 (H.Z.) on #82a	1
6	Pat I2 (ICG) on #334	1
7	Pat J17 (J.B.) on #168. Perf flts	1(1)
8	Pat J56 (J.F.) on #111	1
9	NEW PAT? L.R. on #151. Pulled perfs. Not in cat.	1(1)
10	Pat M133 (M.T.S) on #74a	1
11	Pat T29 (TR) on #168	1
12	Pat V35 (VN) on #365	1
13	Pat V38 (VO(C)) on #298	1
14	Design 17 on #80. Nice pattern.	1
15	Mix. 8 ADD. All faulty	8(8)
16	Austria - Offices in the Turkish Empire Pat LE12 (K.B.) on #23. On piece,perf flts	1(1)
17	Mix. 35 ADD. MB \$3 Bavaria	35(21)
18	(T)Circle on #Q40. Fancy pattern Belgium	1
19	LK (doublestrike) on #N14. Perf flts Belgium - German Occupation	1(1)

20	C./YO on #111 British Honduras	1
21	Mix. 15 DDF. 1 dupe Canada	15(3)
22	E.R. on #45 Denmark	1
23	T on #308. Pat barely off at last hole "T" Fiji	1
24	Mix. 4 countries (mostly Italy) Foreign Germany	15(7)
25	A on #129. Perf flts	1(1)
26	AS/B on #374	1
27	BfHJ(?) on #153	1
28	B.G.F. on #54	1
29	CF on #427. Few blunt perfs	1(1)
30	CI on #330. Missing 1 hole	1
31	DA/V on #334. Missing 1 hole	1
32	DB/D on #393	1
33	D.C.F. on #158	1
34	DH on #100. Pulled perf	1(1)
35	Dr.B. on #342	1
36	D.V. on #71	1
37	E on #416	1
38	EB on #418	1
39	E.R. on #84	1
40	(E/VS)Circle on #420(pair)	2
41	F.W. on #356	1
42	G.B. on #361	1
43	H.G.F. on #336	1
44	H.H. on #82. Perf flts	1(1)
45	J.D.R. on #420	1
46	J.D.R. on #420 (punched from back)	1
47	K.Z. on #88	1
48	MB on #84. Blunt perfs	1(1)
49	M.C. on #87	1
50	MC/R on #326. Clipped perfs	1(1)
51	MU on #418. Missing 2 holes	1
52	OK/S on #420. Crease	1(1)
53	S.D. on #48. Perf flts	1(1)
54	U on #348	1
55	WK/D on #377	1
56	W.W. on #83	1
57	Design(Star of David) on #379. Blunt perfs	1(1)
58	Mix. 16 ADD. All faulty Germany - Berlin	16(16)
59	LU/POST/A on #9N120 & 9N208. Both MNH Germany - Wurttemberg	2
60	Z&C on #60. Perf flts Great Britain	1(1)
61	C.D.&CO (C2087) on #49. Many flts. Plate	51(1)
62	CL (C4210.06) on #119	1
63	HUTH (47490.01) on #95. Thin, perf flts	1(1)
64	IBHL (10130.02) on #84. Missing 5 holes	1
65	IBHL (10130.02) on #104. Missing 5 holes	1
66	IBHL (10130.02) on #105. Missing 2 holes	1
67	LHC (L2830.01) on #126. Nice stamp!	1
68	RA/HA (R0115.01) on 12 DDF Machins	12(2)
69	R.B. (R0330.01) on #122. Crease,perf flt	1(1)
70	R^Y (R1110.01) on 12 DDF Machins	12(3)
71	SM/&CO (similar to S4920.01) on #87	1
72	T.B.&CO (T0480.02) on #80. Split pat	1
73	V.M/&C (V1160.01) on #102. Tear, missing 3 holes	1(1)
74	Mix. 9 ADD on #67. Plates:10;11;13;14;16	9(6)
75	Mix. 2 ADD on #68. Plate 18	2(2)
76	Mix. 2 ADD on #79	2(1)
77	Mix. 12 ADD on #112	12(7)
78	Mix. 3 ADD on #118	3(2)
79	Mix. 40 ADD Machins	40(13)
80	Mix. KGV-QEII (most QEII) mostly DDF	107(35)

- 81 Mix. QV-KGV (most KGV). Values to 1/-. Duplication with good variety. Damage count is my est (25%) 116(30)
- 82 Mix. KEVIII-KGVI (most KGVI). Values to 2/6. Duplication with good variety. Damage count is my est (25%) 114(30)
- 83 Mix. QEII. Values to 5/- or 20p. Duplication with good variety. Damage count is my est (25%) 131(35)
- 84 LA on #1 Great Britain - Northern Ireland 1
- 85 G.C. on #9 Great Britain - Scotland 1
- 86 R.L. on #414 Hungary 1
- 87 47 (date punch?) on #118 Ireland 1
- 88 EG on #860. Pulled perf Italy 1(1)
- 89 B.B on #63. Perf thin Monaco 1(1)
- 90 A.C.&S on #61. Poorly punched New Zealand 1
- 91 D./N.F. on #84. Partial, just off at top Norway 1
- 92 APL on #933 Portugal 1
- 93 F.B.A. on #175 (pat F3). MB \$2 Sweden 1
- 94 F.B.A. on #298 (pat F3). MB \$2 1
- 95 J.V. on #176 (pat J6). MB \$2 1
- 96 L.M. on #141 (pat L7). MB \$2 1
- 97 M-S/IAB on #436 (pat M7). MB \$2 1
- 98 M-S/IAB on #449 (pat M7). Perf flts. MB \$2 1(1)
- 99 Mix. 18 ADD (14 R0 & 4 R1 rarity). MB \$5 18(2)
- 100 Mix. 38 ADD (19 R0 & 19 R1 rarity). MB \$19 38(5)
- 101 A on #89. Lg thin, perf flts, pat OK Tasmania 1(1)
- 102 OS on #93. Many flts - pat OK Victoria 1(1)
- 103 Mix. 10 ADD. Clean lot Western Australia 10(2)
- 104 Mix. 12 ADD (1 pr). Clean lot 13(4)

**FOREIGN COVERS**

- | Lot | DESCRIPTION   | Est    |
|-----|---|--------|
| 105 | Austria postcard. 31MAR1892. Pat P18 (P&C.) punched through a 5h PC. ID of L.J. Pohl & Comp on msg side. Sent to London. Clean  | \$5.00 |
| 106 | France picture postcard. 17DEC1929. Pat C.O 326 (C.O) on #180. No ID but known to be Credit De L'Ouest (bank). Msng 1 hole. Picture is "the lands of Gascogne" (farmer/sheep). 1929 TB seal TIED to PPC. Sent to England. Clean           | \$3.50 |
| 107 | Germany picture postcard. 2DEC1897. Pat 1.80B,1 (B.D.B.) on #47(2). Pat is poorly punched and appears to be D.D.D. No ID, user unknown. Posted in Berlin, sent to Ireland. Clean  | \$1.00 |
| 108 | Great Britain Airletter. 10JUN1954. Pat J0650.03 (JB/&CO) on #300. ID of Derry & Toms, Export Dept, Kensington, High Street, W.8. on back. Letter explains that John Barker & Co Ltd are trading as Derry & Toms. 4" x 5". Slogan cancel. | \$2.00 |
| 109 | Great Britain cover. 18DEC1936. Pat K0110.01 (K.B/B) on #232. ID of Keep Brothers Ltd., Export Merchants, Birmingham, 3 on front. Opened roughly at top & right. Slogan cancel 3 1/2" x 6".   | \$1.00 |

- 110 Great Britain tradecard. 25FEB1929. Pat P1085.05 (P&CO) on #161. ID of Peal & Co., Bookmakers, 487 Oxford Street, London, W.1. on msg side. No user listed in cat - NEW ID? Very clean card. Slogan cancel. \$5.00
- 111 Italy postal receipt(?). 15JUN1915. B.C.I on #95 (pr). ID of Banca Commerciale Italiana, Sede Di Genova. 5" x 6". 2 corners missing with obvious rough handling but still attractive. \$1.50
- 112 Sweden censored cover. 29AUG1916. Pat W4 (WS/&CO) on #83. ID of A.-B. Wilh. Sonesson & Co., Malmo (Sweden) on front. "R0" rarity rating. Looks like US censor tape across top. Manuscript marking "Via Norge" (via Norway) on front. 5" x 6". Creased & corner crumpled (doesn't affect stamp). \$4.00

**US STAMPS**

Lot	Pat	Scott#	Rate	Notes:
113	A99	QE2	EZ	Many flts-pat OK, Preper Chicago
114	A267	QE2	E	Natural SEB
115	B107	Q3	B	Natural SER
116	B116-47	901	B	
117	B118	319	C	Vivid color
118	B139	397	E	
119	B215	Q9	E	Many flts-pat OK
120	B267	306	B	Many flts-pat OK
121	C197.5	508	B	Sm tear, HV cncl, Nat SET
122	D95	306	C	
123	D154	Q6	E	
124	D154	Q8	E	Sm face scuff
125	E101.5	462	B	Pulled perf, thin
126	F153	QE4	EZ	Preper-New York-Style L-11E Stamp has an extra "control" hole below L-NEW PATTERN?
127	F163	479	C	Perf flts,pat barely off Rt
128	F164A	639	B	Thin
129	F234	307	E	2 stamps, 1-flts, other OK
130	G72-1	QE1	E	Creases
131	G72-1	307	E	2 stamps, 1-flts, both pat just off
132	G72-1	310	E	Shallow thin, lt crnr crease
133	G72-1.5	Q10	E	Natural SER
134	G72-50	638	B	Perf flts
135	G81	414	B	Tear, creases
136	G164	304	C	HV cancel
137	H8	Q10	E	Perf flts
138	H54	309	C	
139	H130.5	1036	B	
140	H144	332	B	
141	I7	1894	B	
142	J8	QE4	EZ	Face scuff, perf flts. Preper Phila PASTyle L-8E (not listed in cat)
143	J52	406	B	Missing 3 holes
144	K48.5	433	D	Perf flts
145	K53	664	C	KANS. OVERPRINT (\$12 CAT)
146	L70	Q4	CX	Pulled perf, Nat SEL. Preper Chicago Style L-5E
147	L120	319	D	6 stamps, 4 OK, 2 with flts
148	L128	Q1	DY	Sm tear, creases-presentable Preper Chicago style L-5E
149	L128	Q1	DY	Perf flts, Nat SET. Preper Chicago Style L-5E (INV)
150	M39	566	B	Wrinkled, pat just off rt
151	M272.5	427	B	
152	M275.5	514	B	Natural SET
153	N54	Q4	E	Natural SEL
154	N54	Q6	E	Sm tear at top
155	N54	Q7	E	Natural SER

156	N54	Q8	E	Natural SEB, double strike of pattern	193	Cover. 10JUN1936. Pat A181 (A/MC) on #720. ID of Athol Manufacturing Company, 71 Chestnut Hill Ave., Athol, Mass on front. 4" x 9". Vert Crease. Window env. C Rate. \$4.00
157	N70	Q70	E			
158	N82	507	B	Natural SER & SEB		
159	P55-10	632	B	Hv cancel, crease, perf flts	194	Front. 22OCT1909. Pat C415 (C(1)) on #332. ID of Crane Co., Omaha. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Presentable. C Rate. \$2.00
160	P56	QE4	EZ	Preper-Chicago style 224		
161	R87	319	E	6 stamps, 4 OK, 2 flts		
162	R125	Q8	CX	Preper-St Louis Style L-1E	195	Cover. 17FEB1925. Pat G12 ((G)Shield) on #615 (2c Huguenot). ID of Greenebaum Sons Bank and Trust Company, La Salle & Madison Sts, Chicago on front. Company logo in shield on flap. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". D Rate. Clean. \$3.00
163	S2-26	567	B			
164	S14	303	D	3 stamps; 1 OK; 2 flts		
165	S168	334(?)	B			
166	S215	397	F	Missing 1 hole		
167	S215	398	F	2 stamps, 1 OK, 1 flts	196	Cover. 1DEC1922. Pat J134 (JR/S) on #499. ID of Jacob Reed's Sons, 1424-1426 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, PA. on front. Window env. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". C rate. Clean. \$5.00
168	S280	Q6	D	Sm tear		
169	S295A	634	B			
170	S322	714	E			
171	S339	Q7	DY	Preper-Baltimore MD style L-5TS not listed in cat	197	Front. Pat N79 (NEW/1ST) on #416 (added to U91-non perfin). ID of The New First National Bank, Columbus, Ohio on front. Bank clipped the env & filed it. Registry mkngs. C rate. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Registry oval cancels. \$1.00
172	S339	Q7	DY	Preper-Balt style L-2TS		
173	S339	Q6	DY	Preper-Balt style L-2TS. Nat SER		
174	T41	305	C			
175	U32	462	D	Perf flts. Experimental BEP preper New Orleans LA style 32.	198	Cover (cut down). 18JAN1932. Pat P196 (PRR) on #634 & E15. ID of Free School District No.1, Tonawanda on front. Cover sent special delivery with many markings including a NY & CHI RPO TR50 CDS. Cover cut down & ratty around the edges. 3 1/2" x 5 1/2". F rate. \$1.00
176	U53A	632	B	Crease, perf flts		
177	W38A	737	B			
178	W94	406	B	Missing 2 holes	199	Cover. 12MAR1959. Pat S170.5 (SL) on #1036. ID of Soo Line Railroad, M. ST. P. & SSM RR on front. Slogan cancel. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". E rate. Clean. Posted in Waukesha, Wis. \$1.50
179	W174	562	B	Creases		
180	Y4	499(?)	B			
181	Des 14	334	E			
182	Des 41	Q4	DX	Perf flts. Preper St Louis Style L-1E. 2 strikes-1 missing 1 hole	200	Cover. 5APR1945. Pat S287.5(STP) on #922. No ID but known to be the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul RR. Nice combination of train stamp with RR perfin. Posted at Chicago's Jefferson Station. Addressed to Frances Langford (Paramount Picture Corp). 3 1/2" x 6". Clean. E rate. \$1.00

#### US MIXES AND ODD LOTS

Lot	Description	QNTY
183	Mix. 7 ADD on #572 (\$2 stamp)	7(2)
184	Mix. 6 ADD on #573 (\$5 stamp)	6(1)
185	Mix. Mostly DDF. Values to \$1	173(56)
196	Mix. Better mix with good variety (def-325; airs-34; prepers-82; SD-9; PP-2; Local-1; Rev-29; comms-59 & 6 foreign). Recommended!	547(98)
187	Collection. Many 100's on stock pages in a Universal Stock Book. 300-400 ADD with more DDF. Note \$1 values, prepers, airs, SD, PP, many comms, etc. Very desirable lot. My estimate is \$75-\$100. Approx 800 perfins. 15% damage (my est). Unchecked by me for ratings.	800(120)
188	Mix. 1175+. Values to \$1. Approx 400 ADD/DDF. Dup. Heavy on DT/O. Damage count is my est (1/4). Unchecked for ratings. Nice large mix.	1175(275)
189	Mix. 1175+. Similar (but not identical) to lot 188.	1175(275)

#### US REVENUES

Lot	Description	QNTY
190	R217. Block of 8 perfin'd H.BROS. & date punch.8	
191	REA192. This is the biggest perfin'd item I've seen. 1/2 bbl fermented malt liquor revenue perfin'd RUPPERT/+5 15 53. Hole & creases but still "presentable".	1(1)

#### US COVERS

Lot	Description	EST
192	Cover. 30DEC1911. Pat A81 (AC/M..T) on #375(?). ID of American College of Mechano-Therapy, 81 W. Randolph Street, Chicago, Ill on front. 4" x 9 1/2". Vert crease. B rate.	\$12.00

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201	Cover. Pat W10 ((W)Circle) on #807. ID of Walworth Company, 400 South Second St., Harrison, New Jersey on front. New office for this pattern? Vert crease. 4" x 9 1/2". Uncanceled. D rate. \$1.00
202	Mail bag tag. 22AUG1927. Pat No. 12 (2B) on #569, #579 & #586 (damaged). ID of Federal Reserve Bank of New York printed on 1 side. Additional ID of Clifton Trust Company, Clifton, New Jersey under FRB-New York. E rate. \$1.00

END OF AUCTION 53

So, do we have another Palestine Perfin? Obviously not!

I would like to thank Dr. Barry Elkins, Earl Kaplan, and Nathan Zankel for lending some of the material shown in this article.

I would like to point out that some of the information discussed in this article was taken from the text *Fundamentals of Philately* by L.N. and M. Williams, a publication of the American Philatelic Society.

Figures 6 and 7 are on page 12.

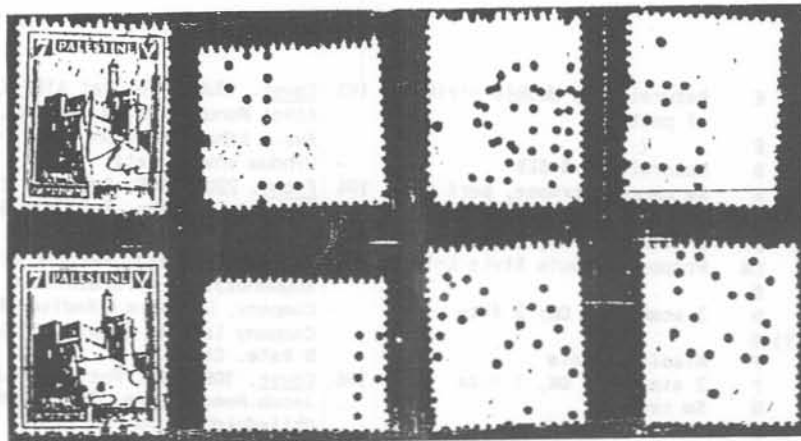


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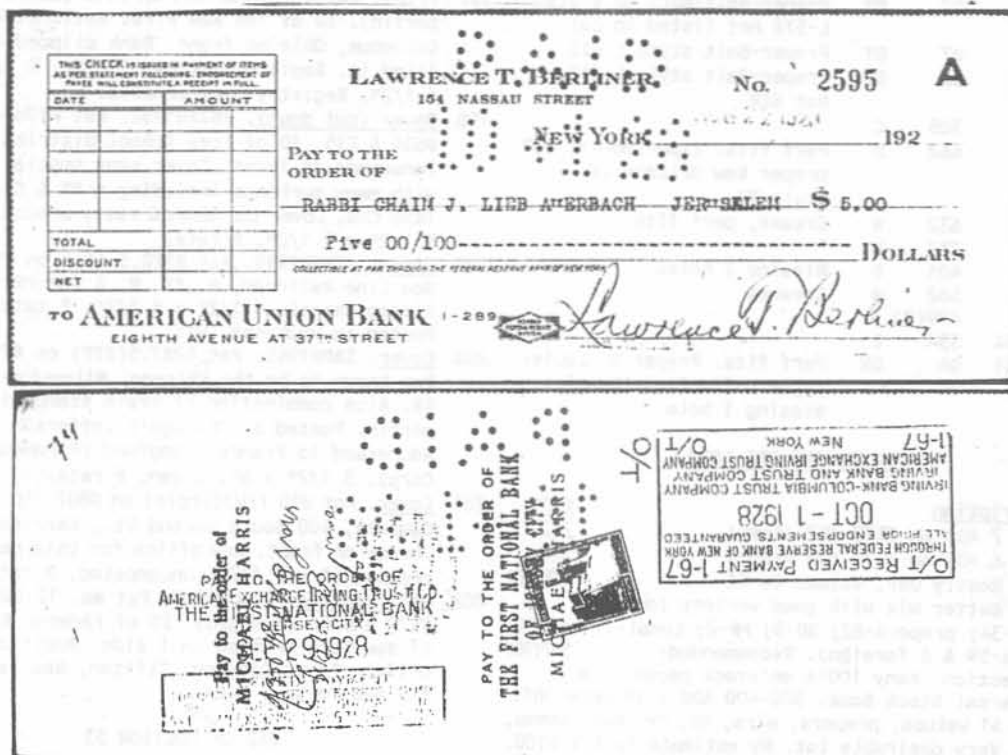


Figure 7. Front and back of check.

### Ideal Engine Company = Lansing Company of Delaware

Don Haynes (#2890)

Shown on the next page is a cover with the corner card of the Lansing Company of Delaware, mailed from their location at 288-289 West Street, New York, NY. The cover, posted at "STA. V/NEW YORK, N.Y." on June 2, 1916 was a recent find of mine. This turned out to be a real treasure, because the entire contents had been preserved by a collector.

The perfin is listed in *The Catalog of United States Perfins* as L52, Lansing Company, Lansing,

MI. There are supplementary entries for Lansing Company of Delaware; a Boston, MA location; and an A&C entry for New York City. This cover confirms that Additions and Corrections entry.

Shown below are the envelopes contents. These include a letter dated 6/1/16 about concrete mixers. However, the brochures which were also enclosed tells up about the company's line which were manufactured by the Ideal Engine Company. This may explain the Lansing, Michigan entry in our catalog. The Chairman of the Ideal Engine Company was R.E. Olds. Is there an Oldsmobile connection here?

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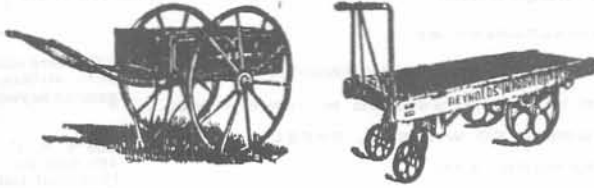
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30	2	502	3	5	1½	1½	800	50	750	850
32	4	504	5	5	2	2	2000	125	200	1325
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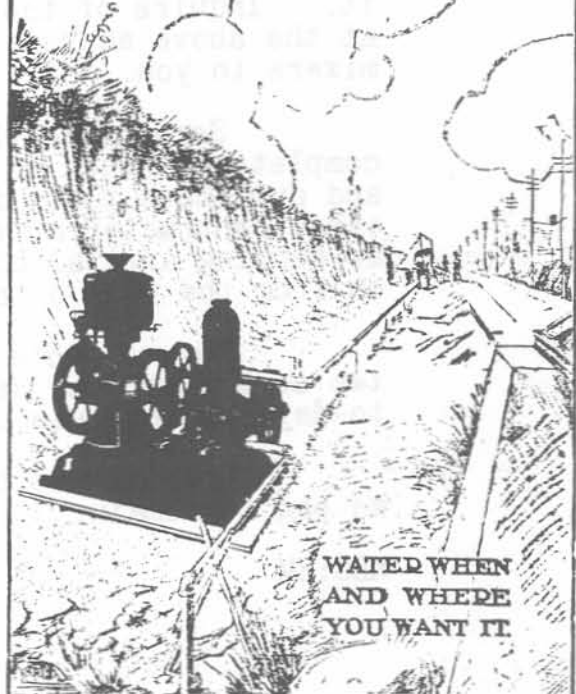
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## Perfin Values and all that

Roy Everett (#2635)

The truest part is that a perfin is worth what the buyer expects to pay for it. But this has another aspect too, "costs must offer the seller sufficient to make the offer available." Both points have to be made -- it is no good for a collector to say, "I will only pay five cents a perfin" if he then finds that all dealers reply, "I will not offer you any at that price."

Dealers consider perfins a waste of time, this has been so for years and you know the result -- perfins heaved into the rubbish bin, hence lost forever to collectors.

Pah! to "five cents for British and up to twenty cents for a more desirable countries -- try buying an S&S on a 1d lilac for less than £25.00, try getting a true Crown/B.T for less than £10.00. Try getting a perforation interrupted Dutch perfin for under U.S. \$10.00. You cannot readily sweep perfin values into handy price ranges, it does not work. Witness actual Perfin Society auction realizations.

<u>Perfins</u>	<u>Realized</u>	<u>Price Each</u>
1xQV	£ 1.60	£1.60
49xQV	2.70	.055
100xQV	47.00	.47
85xQV	107.00	1.25

Where is the uniformity in that? And what of the following?

<u>Perfins</u>	<u>Realized</u>	<u>Price Each</u>
66xHungary	£ 6.00	£0.09
20xHolland	4.60	0.23
28xGermany	6.50	0.07
149xU.S.	11.00	0.07
48xFrance	4.20	0.09

At today's rates 20¢ is about 10p.

Also -- on paper perfin per "pound weight" and off paper "per weight" -- what are these? Umpteen duplications of principally common types which have little chance of being traded. It is basically kiloware as with normal stamp collectors and that is quantity, not quality.

You would probably do a lot better with an unpicked lot of Kings and QV on paper. Such contain perfins, overprints, and normals are always resalable as so are the overprints if you do not collect them. If you get good at buying/selling

them, the perfins cost you nothing and you yield a profit to do the same again.

On "rarity", it is nice to specify that an "A" rate is worth \$5.00 to \$15.00. Making a perfin is not difficult, any semi-competent printer can do it, the Canadians found this out with their OHMS "rarities" a few years ago. Gibbons used to list Crown/B.T. perfins in their catalogue for stamps, hence the authenticity. The span of usage is a greater scarcity to the perfin -- but this does not state that point clearly to forgers.

## Society and Club Auction Comparisons

Roy Everett (#2635)

While the Perfins Club has not seen a greater increase in lots since auction number 41 (1988), 772, the Perfins Society (GB) maintains its steady increase in lots offered. For the last auction of 1991 these total 2718. Less lots equates to less sales commissions going into the organization coffers.

Realizations should a further divergence in the different organizations sales commissions yields also conclusively prove a stronger market letter for perfins in the much smaller Perfin Society. (membership at december 1991 -282 for the Society 893 for the Club). If one reckons at £1.00 sterling equalling \$1.50 over the span of years, the real auction financial income of Club is overstated on the graph to the right by 33 percent.

While auctions are a service to Society and Club members, with careful preparation and frequency of occurrence they can provide funds which alleviate loses on other aspects of a perfin organizations activities and negate annual subscription increases.

Please see graph on back cover

## Facts from Ed. Hoyt (#292)

Do you realize there is no complete perfin for I..R/Co - Ingersoll Rand Company? Nearest to it is I79 without serifs on I. This perfin runs I78 to I80.5.

## First Dues Notice

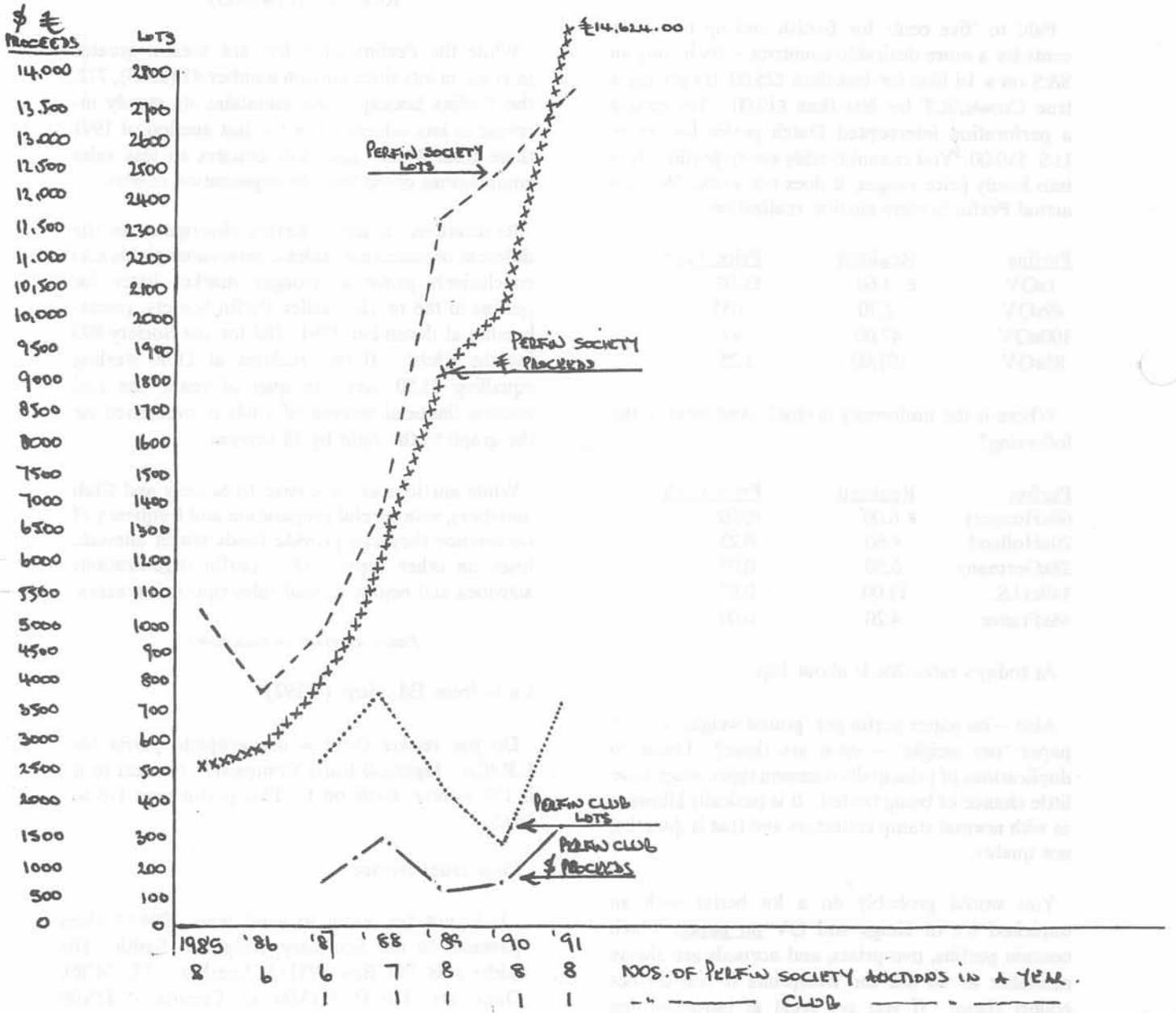
It is not too early to send your 1994-95 dues payment to our Secretary, Ralph W. Smith. His address is PO Box 895111, Leesburg, FL 34789. Dues are \$10.00 (\$13.00 in Canada - \$15.00 elsewhere). Dues must be paid in US funds. The Club does not mail renewal notices.

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### 1995 Annual Meeting News

The dates: August 1-5, 1995 with Early Birds on July 31.

The place: Radisson Hotel, on Route 202, just north of Wilmington, Delaware. Reservation telephone number is 800-333-3333 or 302-478-6000. PSS room rate is \$70.00.

The time: 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily. This will give the dealers eight hours sleep if they want it.

The CIRCUS Parade of Events is shaping up quickly. Some items on the star-filled program are: WELCOME Party,, Bureau and Local precancels, two sightseeing tours, convention photo, short business meetings, auctions, the hunt is on at The Banquet, short day trips, puzzle table, post office on duty, daily and major door prizes, photos of all kinds from past conventions, clowns -- both live and stuffed, the precancel stamp you need to complete your California Type Collection, dinner theater tour and many stamps with holes in them.

Please send **Booster Bucks** to make all of this possible to Art Damm, 1750 Skippack Pike #1603, Center Square, PA 19422 to be entered into the prize drawings.

There will be three tours. One is to the Three Little Bakers Dinner Theater on Wednesday night. It has a great buffet with outstanding pastries (notice the name). The play is scheduled to be "Singing in the Rain" with real water used in the famous theme scene. Cost will be \$28.00, which includes the meal, play and tip. drinks are extra. It is a tier stepped theater with gifts if you care to go

on stage and sing or tell a joke before the play starts. We have requested only 24 seats so please make your reservations EARLY, money not required yet. Just drop a note to Ray Jones, PO Box 200, Kirkwood, DE 19708 if you wish to attend. Come see and be seen at the CIRCUS in 1995.

**Catalogus van de perfins van Nederland en OG, Book Review** (Catalog of the perfins of the Netherlands and Overseas Areas) Jan L. Vorhoeven, Perfin Club Nederland, 1991, 304 pages, 6"x8", bound, hard covers. Available from: Perfins Club Catalog Sales, Jackie Ryan, 301 South Hine Ave., Waukesha, WI 53188, \$27.50 postpaid in US and Canada.

The catalog is the result of a decision of Perfin Club Nederland (PCN) to compile a survey of Dutch perfins and to publish it on its own. The catalog and entries are in Dutch; however, a complete introduction is provided in English. Someone conversant in either language will have no problem utilizing this catalog.

Perfins formed by letters are listed in alphabetic order. In order to avoid confusion, a summary is provided for monograms and perfins which can be read in either direction (e.g., MV & WA).

The main entries are as follows:

1. Actual size illustration of the perfin (All POKO perfins are shown in the same position, the perfin may therefore be shown 90° turned over.)
2. Perfin number.
3. Name of the perfin.
4. The numbers of holes in each letter or figure (periods are not counted).
5. Height in mm.
6. Period of usage. If made by POKO machine, then "POKO" is given. If the Michelius stamp affixing machine was used "Mich" is listed.
7. Name of the user and earliest known usage.
8. Type of company.
9. Co-users, if any.
10. Address of the user.
11. Additional characteristics of the perfin or perforator.

Crofton, Maryland  
December 16, 1994

It is hard to realize that we are already one half way through the first month of 1995. Last year was a great year for Evelyn and myself. Perhaps one of the best parts was the last three weeks. We managed to spend these with our daughter and grand-children in Las Vegas.

As part of that visit, we had two small side trips for my benefit. We drove to Lake Havasu City where we revisited London Bridge. I was stationed in England about the time the bridge was sold and we all went to the City to visit it for a last time. I am happy to report that London Bridge is in good repair (i.e., not falling down) and located in someone's idea of an English village.

The second side trip was to satisfy my never ending love for steam engines. We drove to Williams, AZ where we spent the night in a motel. The next morning, we boarded a twelve car train bound for the South Rim of the Grand Canyon. Two engines, one steam one diesel were require to pull the load. We left Williams about 9:15 am and arrived at the Canyon near noon.

The stop-over was sufficient for a great lunch and some time admiring nature's beauty. We took the train back to Williams and then drove back to Vegas. I wish that we had allowed more time for sightseeing along the way as our route crossed parts of old highway 66 of East-West fame. In fact, Williams was the last town on old route 66 to be by-passed.

I flew home on New Year Eve which I had incorrectly assumed would be a light travel day. Fortunately, the airline wanted to "bump" me. I refused in no uncertain terms and managed to get the Detroit - Baltimore leg in first class. My ride was there to pick me up and I was happy to return to Crofton. Evelyn will be coming back next Sunday so I have to get this edition of The Bulletin out and start picking up things.

John

Dues for 1995-96 may be paid by sending a check for \$10.00 (\$13.00 in Canada - \$15.00 elsewhere) to the Secretary, Ralph W. Smith, PO Box 895111, Leesburg, FL 34789. Life membership for 20 times the annual rate. The Club does not send dues notices.

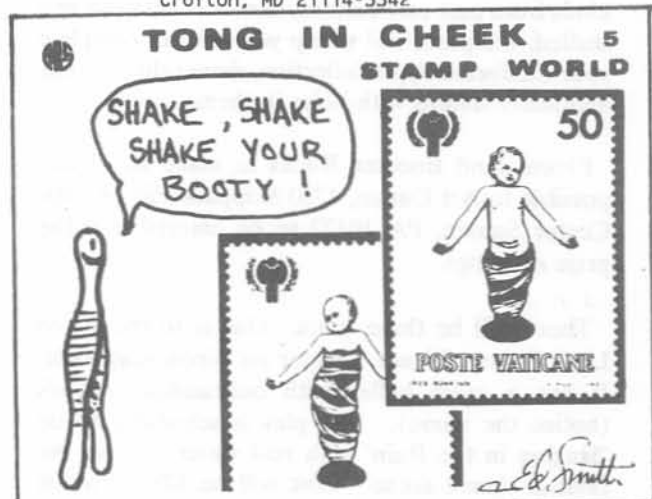
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12. Catalog numbers (Dutch catalogs) of the stamps on which the perfin is known. An example of an entry is provided below.



V&C<sup>3)</sup> 11. 12 11.<sup>4)</sup> 6,5 5<sup>5)</sup> 1911-1956<sup>6)</sup>  
 Vroom & Clemens\* - Errest N.V.\* (1939)<sup>7)</sup>, uitgevers<sup>8)</sup>  
 Ook Drukkerij de Noord N.V.\* (1938)<sup>9)</sup>  
 Amsterdam, Singel 15 - van Vollenhovenstraat 8 (1932)<sup>10)</sup>  
 Perfinapparaat met meervoudig stempel<sup>11)</sup>  
 63 65 69 70 71 73 75 81 107 109 111 enz<sup>12)</sup>  
 Sedert 1916 ontbreekt V2 in een van de stempels<sup>13)</sup>

### Available Publications

*Catalog of United States Perfins*, 547 p. Balough. Includes 6 supplements. \$37.50

US Catalog, 1st. A/C 14 pp., 1982, Balough. . 2.50  
 US Catalog, 2nd. A/C 10 pp., 1985, Rickard . 2.50  
 US Catalog, 3rd. A/C 5 pp., 1986, Rickard . . 2.50  
 US Catalog, 4th. A/C 3 pp., 1986, Rickard . . 2.50  
 US Catalog, 5th. A/C 4 pp., 19??, Rickard . . 1.50  
 US Catalog, 6th. A/C 19 pp., 1991, Cutler . . . 2.50

US Catalog Blank album pages to mount perfins, 10¢ per page. Minimum order \$2.50.

Railroad Catalog . . . . . \$ 5.00  
 US Precancel Perfins, 231 pp., John Randall \$20.00  
 "Checklist of US Perfins: First Revision", Nov/Dec 89 Bulletin . . . . . \$ 2.00  
*Cumulative Index to The Perfins Bulletin 11945-92*, Roy . . . . . \$10.00  
*World Perfins Catalog*, "Americas Pages", 96 pp., 1992, Schwerdt \$12.50

Australia, Grant & Matthews . . . . . \$30.00  
 Austria, 158 pp., Nussbick . . . . . \$17.00  
 Austria, 1st. supplement, Nussbickel . . . . . \$3.00  
 Austria, 2nd. supplement, 11 pp., Nussbickel \$ 4.00  
 Bavaria, Catalog of Perfins, Needham, 1990. \$ 8.50  
 German, A-R+users, 894 pp, Arge . . . . . \$190.00  
 sold separately A-B-C-D-E-F-G-H-I&J-K-L-M-N&O-P&Q-R-add users each . . . . . \$13.00  
 India, Catalog of Perfins, 115 pp., Werner. . \$10.00  
 India, Supplement, 12 pp., Werner . . . . . \$ 3.00  
 Ireland, Catalog of Perfins, Mewhinney, 1994 . . . . . \$ 7.00

Netherlands, Jan L. Veroeven . . . . . \$27.50  
 Romania, Catalog of Perfins, 1989, Erös. . \$ 5.50  
 Romania, 1st. Supplement, 1991 . . . . . \$ 1.25  
 Romania, 2nd. Supplement, Schwerdt, 1994 . . \$ 3.00  
*Victorian Government Punctures*, Scott & Troop . \$17.50

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Send orders to: The Perfins Club, Catalog Sales and Distribution, 301 South Hine Avenue, Waukesha, WI 53288.

### German Catalog now Available

Jackie Ryan, Chairman of the Catalog Sales Division, announced the availability of the Arge Perfin Catalog. This catalog currently consists of 848 pages covering the letters A through R. Letters S through Z and Figures will be produced and available in future months. You may purchase letters A through R for \$190.00 or individual letters as noted in the sales list for \$13.00 each. The catalog has been reprinted to fit US size three ring binders.

The March, 1995, issue will contain a review of this massive catalog.

### CAPEX 96 Participation

There is an opportunity for all members to enter an exhibit in CAPEX 96/ CAPEX 96 is a World Philatelic Exhibition and is organized by the Toronto Association of Philatelic Exhibitions, Inc. It will be held in Toronto, Canada from June 8-16, 1996. Applications must be processed in 1995. Since the Perfins Club is affiliated with the American Philatel-

ic Society, you are eligible to exhibit as a member of the Perfins Club after paying the appropriate fee for exhibiting. To obtain an application and Bulletin #1, write to:

Eastern US Dr. Roger Schnell; 4800 N.E. 20th Terrace; Fort Lauderdale, FL 33308

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Western US Mr. Joseph Schwartz; 3230 Fieldcrest Dr.; Sacramento, CA 95821

#### Calendar of Events

Feb 09-11 Florida Precancel Club Winter Meet, Ramada Inn, Kissimmee, FL.

Feb 18 Southern California Precancel Society, Club House, 7717 Church St. Highland - noon. Info call Jim Crosby 909-864-3736.

Mar 18 Southern California Precancel Society, Club House, 7717 Church St. Highland - noon. Info call Jim Crosby 909-864-3736.

Apr 15 Southern California Precancel Society, Club House, 7717 Church St. Highland - noon. Info call Jim Crosby 909-864-3736.

Apr 26-29 Golden Gate Precancel Society - Southern California Precancel Club - Spring Roundup, Best Western Colony Inn, Atascadero, 805-466-4449.

May 04-06 Illini Precancel Stamp club, 10th annual Spring meeting at Executive Inn, Vincennes, IN. Reservations 800-457-9154.

Aug 01-05 PSS 75th. Annual Convention/Perfins Club Annual Meeting, Eastern Pennsylvania Precancel Society, host, Radisson Hotel, Wilmington, DE.

#### 1995 Annual Meeting News by Ray Jones

When vacation selection time comes around we want you to know:

The PSS Convention/Perfins Club Annual Meeting with a Circus theme will be held on August 1-5, 1995. It will be held in the Radisson Hotel on Route 202, on the northern edge of Wilmington, DE. The PSS room rate is \$70.00 in this first class hotel. Reservations can be called in and please mention that you are with the PSS convention, on 800-333-3333 or 302-478-6000.

Something new at this convention will be door prizes at all in hotel or stamp related activities. This includes the business meetings, welcome party, group photo, banquet (the major prizes will be drawn there) as well as daily and major prizes.

Art Damm, 1750 Skipjack Pike #1603, Center Square, PA 19422 is happy to accept your **Booster Bucks** and will enter your name on a ticket for the drawings.

The PSS II group will have many members in attendance. For newer members PSS = Produce Seal Society. So save up your fruit and vegetable stickers and bring them to swap. Usually there is a funny event connected with this group. The Perfins Club, who throws a terrific Glad-to-See-You-Again-Party will be there in force as will the major perfins dealers.

Elwood Hann, 240 S. Broad St., Lititz, PA 17543, is accepting lots for a donation auction. If you would like to send larger size or valued lots on a commission basis they will be most welcome. Better lots are accepted on a 25% commission basis or less on really nice stamps.

Details on the Dinner Theater to appear in a later issue.

#### "World's Oldest Perfin - Comment"

Ian M. Paton (#3289)

On page 109 of the July/August 1994 issue there is a short article on the "World's Oldest Perfin and the *Handbook of British Perfins* (3rd. Ed., 1988) by John S. Nelson is mentioned. Knowing nothing about early British perfins., I turned to the 2nd. Edition (1983) of this book and read the first 12 pages which covered the story of Joseph Sloper's invention of the perforating machine and included a copy of the first page of his 1858 Patent. In the text, it states that the first perfin made had the letters "SC" which were the initials of Sampson Copestake who was the senior partner of one of the firms pressing the British Postmaster General to approve the use of perfins in 1867/68. It is not clear whether any of these were ever used on mail.

The most interesting information which I gained from reading the *Handbook* was the case quoted by Joseph Sloper to the Post Office in support of his request to use a perforating machine. The request was based on the urgent need to reduce the high level of theft of postage stamps by company employees. In 1869 a man was convicted in Manchester England, of receiving 7,820 stolen stamps to the

value of £35/19/2. The sentence was five years in prison. He had accepted the stamps from errand boys and junior clerks (who had stolen them from their employers) in payment for bread and cheese. At the time the post office would buy, at a small discount, unused stamps provided they were in pairs or larger blocks. With permission granted to

introduce perfins, on March 1, 1869, the Post Office issued an official Circular warning against buying back stamps with perforated letters in them since such stamps must be stolen.

Does any reader know of similar events prior to approval of perfin use in the United States?

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The Secretary's Report  
The Secretary is Ralph W. Smith, PO Box 895111  
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**NEW MEMBERS:**

- 3286 Schlicher, Royce E.; 92-971 Makakilo Dr. #15; Kapoli, HI 96707  
US Beginner ..... By: *Linn's Stamp News* (Rod)
- 3287 Eissler, Roberto J.; Av. Mal Deodoro, 165; Jaragua Do Sol-SC (89251-701), Brazil  
Great Britain ..... By: Mewhinney (LM60)
- 3288 Rumprik, Fred J.; 1926 Doordige Dr., Twinsburg, OH 44087  
Beginner ..... By: *Linn's Stamp News* (Rod)
- 3289 Paton, Ian M.; 15 Humberstone Road; Cambridge CB4 1JD England  
Beginner ..... By: Ottenheimer (LM86)
- 3290 Ribble, David W. 197 Poplar Ave.; Campbell, CA 95008  
US ..... By: Lyding (LM116)
- 3291 Steinke, Charles W.; 459 E. Palmer Circle, Avon Park, FL 33825  
World, Beginner ..... By: *Linn's Stamp News* (Rod)
- 3292 Glennon, Bernard R.; PO Box 2508; Friday Harbor, WA 98250  
US, Beginner ..... By: Ratzler (LM47)
- 3293 Grabowski, John; Box 10916; White Bear Lake, MN 55110  
US, Beginner ..... By: *Linn's Stamp News* (Rod)

**REINSTATE:**

- 2559 Johnson, Harry R. Sr.; PO Box 16843, West Palm Beach, FL 33416

**RESIGNED:**

- |                           |                      |                         |
|---------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| 3052 Harry E. Dewey       | 3092 Dorothy M. Fay  | 2018 Ronald G. Kunavich |
| 3196 Thaddeus Kallinowski | 2066 Robert A. Lewis |                         |

**DROPPED Non-payment of dues**

- |                 |              |                   |
|-----------------|--------------|-------------------|
| 3134 Acker      | 3057 Hewlett | 1755 Payne        |
| 3189 Bacon      | 3179 Hoffner | 2935 Polder       |
| 3729 Boutin     | 3057 Hewlett | 3184 Rector       |
| 2821 Bruce      | 3179 Hoffner | 399 Russnak       |
| 2865 Buckwalter | 1981 Holroyd | 2021 Sadle        |
| 918 Burkhalter  | 2514 Howard  | 3005 Sellnau      |
| 2530 Callis     | 3029 Jameson | 3107 Setnor       |
| 1451 Chronister | 3148 Kanavel | 2905 Silver       |
| 3233 Coyne      | 2849 Kaplan  | 3231 Stergiou     |
| 1684 DeLisle    | 1668 Kennedy | 3045 Taylor       |
| 3147 Domaglia   | 3174 King    | 2712 Thaden       |
| 3128 Eberling   | 2818 Krulik  | 3124 Toutounji    |
| 3102 Edwards    | 3206 Lagos   | 3066 Vaicekauskas |
| 2832 Eichel     | 3205 Lagos   | 3113 Valdes       |
| 3207 Fitch      | 3208 Lanata  | 3046 Verhoeven    |
| 2739 Fleisher   | 3187 Manhart | 3186 Weigand      |
| 1809 Fleury     | 2748 Marks   | 2947 Whitesell    |

2819	Gable	970	McHenry	3215	Whiting
2698	Gagon	3162	Messerschmidt	2647	Worley
1825	Gersch (family)	3110	Montello	1941	Yao
3056	Goss	2958	Morse	2889	Yetter
3188	Grimscheid	3109	Nelson	3070	Zack
3036	Hawk	3155	Mickerson	2047	Zrobok
2690	Henry	2403	Pawlowski		

ADDRESS CHANGES:

- 2699 Donald N. Rice; 1392 Maple Street; Contoocook, NH 03229
- 3008 Brian J. Freeman; 9382 Salina Way; Sacramento, CA 95827
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- 3279 Mark S. Sellhorn; 4028 Dunn Ave.; Lincoln, NE 68502
- 1347 Robert Garsson; 5211-D W. Market St. #710; Greensboro, NC 27409
- LM87 Ralph W. Smith; PO Box 895111, Leesburg, FL 34789

SUMMARY:

Members as of July 31, 1994	845
New Members	+ 8
Reinstated	+ 1
Resigned	- 5
Dropped	<u>-69</u>
Members as of August 31, 1994	780

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NEW MEMBERS:

- 3294 Suzanne M. Zimmerman; 3744 Coronada; Toledo, OH  
US, Beginner By: Walker (LM105)
- 3295 Fil C. Cornell; 3355 S. Racquet; Las Vegas, NV 89121  
US, Beginner By: Linn's Stamp News (Rod)
- 3296 Robert W. Russ; 3725 Lyons Lane; Alexandria, VA 22302  
US, Beginner By: Roy (#1124)
- 3297 Frank L. West; 1418 Claremont Ave; Richmond, VA 23227  
US, Beginner By: Ratzer (LM47)
- 3298 Carol G. Martel; 109-7th. Ave.; Newcastle, WY 82701  
US, Beginner By: Smith (LM87)

REINSTATED:

- 1825F Gersch, Sylvia M.; 8923 East Palm Ridge Dr.; Scottsdale, AZ 85260
- 2958 Morse, Robert F.; 1 Beacon Ave., Apt. #129; Lawrence, MA 01843
- 2821 Bruce, Carolyn F.; 10767 Liberty St.; Garrettsville, OH 44231
- 3231 Stergiou, Andrew G.; 20 Catherine Slip, Apt 1B; Manhattan, NY 10038
- 1981 Holroyd, Brian R.; 475 Roinning St.; Edmonton, Alberta, Canada T6R 1Z2
- 3162 Messerschmidt, Peter W.; 10300 Jollyville Rd #226, Austin, TX 78759 (New Address)
- 3066 Vaicekauskae, Vin; PO Box 276, Bloomfield, CT 06002

ADDRESS CHANGES:

- 2686 James R. Carcary; 12 Millsborough Crescent; Etobicoke, Ontario, Canada M9C 5E8
- 759 F.R. Ellwanger, Jr.; 704 Bower Hill Rd.; Pittsburgh, PA 15243

SUMMARY:

Members as of August 31, 1994	780
New Members	+ 5
Reinstated	+ 7
Members as of September 30, 1994	792

FAR EAST

HONG KONG (FISCAL PERFIN)

A K & Co	APC HK	BCL	B E A	Bto	
B1	B2	B3	T B4	B5	T

B K I	S B B	C A C	S A S	CHASE BANK	D A B
B6	T B7	T B8	B9	B10	B11

	H S B	H S B C	H S B C	H S B C	H. W & Co
	B12	B13	B14	B15	B16

I B C		L C		N. C. B. N. Y.	
B17		B18		B19	

OCBC	SCSB		Y T		
B20	B21	T	B22		

III FAR EAST

	COMPANY	LOCATION	
<p>JAPANESE OCCUPIED AREAS IN CHINA (all perfins are found on Chinese stamps overprinted for use in occupied areas)</p>			
<p>HONAN A1</p>	<p>Mitsui Bussan Kaisha</p>		
<p>HOPEI A1 A2 A3</p>	<p>Peking Union Medical College Thos. Cook &amp; Son Mitsui Bussan Kaisha</p>		
<p>SHANTUNG A1</p>	<p>Mitsui Bussan Kaisha</p>		
<p>SUPEH A1</p>	<p>Yee Tsoong Tobacco Distributors Ltd.</p>		
<p>NORTH CHINA A1</p>	<p>Mitsui Bussan Kaisha</p>		
<p>SHANGHAI-NANKING A1 A2</p>	<p>Deutsche Asiatic Bank KOFA - American Drug Company</p>		
<p><u>NOTES:</u></p>			



**Auction #54 - Closes April 30, 1995**

Lots will be sold to the highest bidder at the following advances over the next highest bidder. Under \$1.00, a 5c advance; \$1.00 to \$2.00, a 10c advance; \$2.00 to \$5.00, a 25c advance; \$5.00 to \$20.00, a 50c advance; \$20.00 to \$50.00, a \$1.00 advance; \$51.00 to \$100.00, a \$2 advance, and over \$100.00, a \$5.00 advance.

No unlimited bids, no single bids for groups of lots. OR bids are accepted. In case of tie bids, the first bid received will be accepted. Cash deposits not required. All single perfins are complete and in good condition unless otherwise specified. Straightedges (natural) are not considered damage. In larger lots or mixes, incomplete patterns, split patterns, and duplication are to be expected. All lots returnable if not as described, EXCEPT, larger lots or mixes. Lots must be paid for or returned within THREE (3) days of receipt. **BID BY LOT NUMBER.**

Abbreviations used in this auction:

ADD-All Different Dies      DDF-Different Die &/or Face  
 QNTY-Quantity              MDD-Mostly Different Dies  
 MB-Minimum Bid            EST-Estimate  
 ID-Identification          Pat-Pattern  
 Preper-Precanceled perfin    Entire-cover including letter  
 Nat-Natural

1h, 2h, etc. = Number of holes missing in pattern.

SE (L/R/T/B)-Straightedge (Left/Right/Top/Bottom). Natural SE's will be noted as such and are not considered "damaged".

( )-in QNTY column = number of damaged stamps in the lot.

Perf faults - Any of a number of different faults relating to the perforations (pulled perfs, thinned perfs, blunt perfs, etc.).

(?)-indicates the column data it is next to, is in question.

Please send bids to: Joe Coulbourne  
 705 Prince Allen Court  
 Virginia Beach, VA 23454  
 Telephone: 804-425-2290

**FOREIGN STAMPS AND MIXES**

<u>Lot</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Qty</u>
	Belgium	
1	Mix. 170 DDF. Many diff pats. MB-\$15	170(55)
	Denmark	
2	Pat D33 (D.F.A.) on #404	1
3	Mix. 10 ADD	10(2)
	Foreign	
4	Collection. 104 ADD from 104 all different countries. Better include Barbados, British Offices in Levant, Canal Zone, Fiume, Latvia, Trieste and many, many more. Mounted on black card sheets. Note a few damaged stamps with good strikes of pattern. Nice lot. MB-\$30.	104(?)
	France	
5	Pat A.C32 (A.C) on #169. 2h	1
6	Pat CN275 (CN script) on #168	1
7	Pat CT367 (CT) on #146	1
8	Pat DF45 (DF) on #601	1
9	Pat F.F.C47 (F.F.C) on #121. 1h	1
10	Pat G.L82 (G.L) on #162	1
11	Pat HH37 (HH) on #267	1
12	Pat H.M53 (H.M) on #276	1
13	Pat I.R.14 (I.R.) on #538. Complete strike!	1
	French Offices in Levant	
14	Pat CL5 (CL) on #34	1
	Germany	
15	Mix. 8 ADD	8(2)

	Great Britain	
16	Pat B0230.02 (BASS) on #131 (complete strike!)	1
17	Pat H5230.01 (HM/V) on #187. Perf flts.	1(1)
18	Pat L3180.01 (LINE) on #259. 3h	1
19	Mix. 151 ADD. Values to 5/-. Mainly GVI-QEII.	151(22)
20	Mix. 1000 perfins, mainly QEII. Looks pretty clean. Damage is my est (10%). Good range of values.	1000(100)
21	Mix. Similar (but not identical) to lot 20 above.	1000(100)
	Japan	
22	Mix. 9 ADD. Nice lot.	9(1)
	Nigeria	
23	NRC on #81.	1
	Portugal	
24	Mix. 4 ADD (3 are splits).	4(3)
	Portuguese Colonies	
25	Angola (B.A) & Funchal (BB/C). Both faulty.	2(2)
	Rhodesia	
26	BSA/C on #66. Perf flts.	1(1)
	Switzerland	
27	Mix. 7 ADD. Nice lot.	7(2)
	Victoria	
28	Mix. 20 ADD. Clean lot. Surprise included.	22(4)

**FOREIGN COVERS**

<u>Lot</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>EST</u>
29	<u>Austria cover.</u> 23MAY1916. Pat F118 (F.&S.) on #118. ID of Maximilian Friedmann & Gebruder Schiel, Wien on front. Horiz crease. Sent to Denmark. 5" x 6". Clean. Some sort of seal/label/censor on back.	\$2.50
30	<u>Cuba cover.</u> 10JAN1952. Pat B4 (SA/RRA) on #RA12. Additional meter imprint of 9c. ID of Drogueria Sarra, Habanna-Cuba on front. Beautiful illustrated advertising envelope (front & back). 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Clean.	\$3.00
31	<u>Egypt cover.</u> 9MAR1898. Pat A31 (TC/&S) on #44 (strip of 4 + single). ID of Thomas Cook & Son (London) on front. Addressed to a TC&S agent in the USA. Opened roughly but looks good. Patterns poorly punched.	\$4.00
32	<u>Great Britain cover.</u> 20MAR1985. Pat P4145.01m (PS) on #634, 1056 & a L0.01 Frama Label. No ID but known to be the philatelic perfin of The Perfin Society of Great Britain. Mailed to USA. Clean. 4" x 5 1/2".	\$4.00
33	<u>Great Britain tradecard.</u> 18DEC1923. Pat R0950.04(a?) (RC/&Co) on #159. ID of Rickett, Smith & Co., (incorporated with Rickett, Cockerell & Co., Ltd.), Coal Merchants, 52 Mark Lane, London, E.C.3 on msg side. Clean card. This is a NEW ID card (pat not listed in Tomkins).	\$5.00
34	<u>Great Britain censored cover.</u> 16FEB1916. Pat S0950.02 (SBV) on #163. ID of Swiss Bankverein, 43 Lothbury, London E.C. (partly covered by censor tape) on front. 5h. Sent to Switzerland with a Romanshorn receiving mark on reverse. 5" x 6".	\$2.00
35	<u>Great Britain entire.</u> Undated. Pat S2630.01 (SEP./S) on #622(2) & #823. Three additional 1p (#623) non-perfins on cover. Letter inside has the ID of the Security Endorsement & Perfin Society of G.B. and an additional mint copy of #622 with perfin. Ltr dated 17MAR1979. 4 1/2" x 6". Ltr opened at top & right. Clean cover none the less.	\$1.00
36	<u>Great Briain wrapper.</u> 18DEC1941. Pat S5630.01 (S crown O) on #258. ID of H.M. Stationery Office, Shepherdess Walk, City Road, London, N.1. Sent to USA. Marked "on his Britannic Majesty's service". 3" x 6". Very clean. Nice item.	\$3.00

- 37 Great Britain front. 19NOV1948. Pat T4150.01 (TS/G) on #261 & #262(4). No ID but known to be the Triplex Safety Glass Co., Ltd. POKO pattern. \$1.00
- 38 Great Britain cover. 23DEC1963. Pat W2630.?? (WF/D) on #362(?). ID of Western Assurance Co., Willis, Faber & Dumas Ltd., Agents, Marine Department, Royal Mail House, 14-19 Leadenhall St., London, E.C.3 on front. Sent to Germany. Vert crease not affecting perfin. 4" x 9". \$1.50
- 39 Hungary back. 24SEP1909. AUT. on #72(7). ID of Menton Kavehaz, Budapest. Back of a cover only. Swiss receiving marks, Hungary posting markings. 6 of the 7 perfins are in 3 pairs. \$1.00

### US STAMPS

Lot	Pat	Scott#	Rate	Notes:
40	A192	638	C	
41	A221-12	634	C	
42	A221-38	567	C	
43	B116-40	642	CX	1 pulled perf. Phila preper
44	B139	397	E	
45	C24	319	E	Nice stamp, nat SER & SEB
46	C102	463	C	
47	C284	319	E	
48	C340	E13	CY	Nice stamp. NYC preper
49	C386	512	C	Perf flts
50	D95	306	C	Nat SER
51	D95	306	C	
52	E122	501(?)	C	Perf flts
53	E126	698	C	
54	F165A	480	E	1h, 1 pulled perf (cat \$32.50)
55	F166	523	E	2h, (cat \$200)
56	F166	524	E	Nice stamp (cat \$27.50)
57	F167	480	E	Nice stamp (cat \$32.50)
58	G72-13	825	C	
59	H131	573	E	Pretty block of 4 (cat \$65)
60	J18	499	C	Nat SEL
61	L67	463	C	Nice stamp!
62	L162	463	C	
63	N47	303	E	
64	N100	562	C	
65	N113	C2	D	Split (cat \$27.50)
66	N113	C3	D	(cat \$30)
67	N113ABb3	814	C	Perf flts
68	N113Bb2a	811	C	
69	N113Bb11	811	C	1 short perf
70	N113C4	807	C	
71	N113C4	815	C	
72	N113C6a	811	C	Thin
73	N113C8	634	C	
74	N131	303	E	
75	P101	333	D	Nat SER, slight thin
76	P141	707	C	Few short perfs
77	P203	332	C	
78	P222	684	C	
79	P230	425	C	
80	P235	560	C	
81	P248	406	C	
82	R2.3	1868	C	Blunt perfs
83	R75	319f	E	
84	R109	319	C	Nat SER & SEB
85	R120	463	C	
86	S29	319	E	
87	S121	664	F	Kansas overprint!
88	S134	332(?)	D	

89	S195-50	638	C	Creases, perf flts
90	S196	499	C	Shallow thin
91	S212	499	C	
92	S233	342	E	Creases, thin, perf flts
93	S338	319	D	Nat SET
94	T97	499	C	Crease, pulled perf
95	U23	C4	E	Thin, crease, OK from face
96	U40.5	1340C	C	Blunt perfs
97	U107	560	C	Corner crease, perf flts
98	W78	815	C	Thin, perf flts, split
99	W199-17	636	E	
100	Des 29	405	C	Nice stamp!
101	Des 36	807	C	
102	Des 39	554	C	Sm face thin
103	Sch 53	344	N	Sm piece of corner torn away

### US REVENUES

Lot	Description	QNTY
104	<u>3 stock transfer documents</u> . Complete transaction slips(?) each with one or more perfin'd revenues. Pats AP&R; J&D; date punch. Each document has user ID. Clean lot.	6
105	Mix. 20 DDF (+ probably ADD too).	20(4)
106	Mix. 40 ADD (mostly stock xfrs). 1 Puerto Rican.	40(10)

### US MIXES AND ODD LOTS

Lot	Description	QNTY
107	Mix. 4 ADD D rated (N-S) 1922-37 regs.	4
108	Mix. 4 ADD D rated (S-W) 1922-37 regs.	4
109	Mix. 5 ADD D rated (A-J) 1922-37 regs.	5(1)
110	Mix. 6 ADD D rated (O-Q).	6
111	Mix. 6 ADD D rated (R-W).	6(4)
112	Mix. 7 ADD on 2c redds. E rated.	7(1)
113	Mix. 7 ADD D rated (L-N).	7(1)
114	Mix. 8 ADD D rated (A-K).	8(2)
115	Mix. 8 ADD D rated (C-F).	8(1)
116	Mix. 9 ADD D rated (comms, airs, PP). Nice lot.	9
117	Mix. 9 ADD E rated (few comms, airs).	9(4)
118	Mix. 10 ADD D rated 1922 regs	10(2)
119	Mix. 11 ADD D rated (A-C).	11(1)
120	Mix. 13 DDF D rated (pre-1920)	13(3)
121	Mix. 28 ADD prepers. Nice grouping.	28(3)
122	Mix. 33 DDF E rated 1922-37 regs (values to \$1).	33(11)
123	Mix. 35 ADD E rated (pre -1921). Values to 30c.	35(10)
124	Mix. 73 DDF E rated (many Wash Bicent).	73(12)
125	Mix. 90 ADD. E & F rated. Values to \$1.	90(33)
126	Mix. 91 DDF. 1915-38 issues.	91(18)
127	Mix. 97 DDF. 38 prexies (values to \$1).	97(5)
128	Mix. 155 ADD. E & F rated. Values to \$1.	160(68)
129	Mix. Better mix with good variety (def-284; airs-18; prepers-50; SD-4; PP-1; Local-3; Rev-29; comms-51 & 1 UN). Nice wine stamp & 2 sound Beacons. Recommended!	441(83)
130	Mix. 1175+. Values to \$1. Approx 400 ADD/DDF. Duplication. Heavy on DT/O. Damaged count is my est (1/4). Unchecked for ratings.	1175(275)
131	Mix. Similar (but not identical) to lot 131 above. Mix. 1250 perfins. Unchecked by me. Looks clean. Good spread of definitives with a few revenues. Damage is my est (10%).	1175(275)

132 US HOARD! 3 ring binder with many hundreds of perfin on stock pages. Sorted by letter or "type". Note a page of Prepers, a grouping of \$1/\$2/\$5 perfins, a Schermack, blocks, strips, etc.

Many hundreds of different patterns. Light duplication. Most seem to be face different. Very attractive lot. My estimate is \$150. Approx 1000 patterns with 10% damage (my est). Unchecked for ratings by me.

1000(100)

### US COVERS

- | <u>Lot</u> | <u>Description</u>   | <u>EST</u>    |
|------------|--|---------------|
| 133        | <u>Cover</u> . 15DEC1980. Pat A231.7 (ARM) on #1843. ID of Alan R. Miskimin on front. Philatelic perfin. E rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2".   |               |
|            | Clean cover.   | <u>\$1.00</u> |
| 134        | <u>Cover</u> . 10JUN1918. Pat J133 (JRP/CO) on #501. ID of Providence Churning Co., 11 & 12 So. Market St., Boston, Mass. This is a NEW user ID cover. 2h. C rated. Clean. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2".  | <u>\$5.00</u> |
| 135        | <u>Cover</u> . 7FEB1932. Pat M12 ((M)Circle) on #707. Preprinted address of Chairman Board of Recommendations, State University of Montana, Missoula, Montana. Nice Miles City & Butte RPO TR15 CDS. E rated. Vert crease. 4" x 9".  | <u>\$1.50</u> |
| 136        | <u>Acknowledgement card</u> . 10AUG1922. Pat P200 (PRR/CO) on #543(?). ID of Pennsylvania System, Freight Claim Agent, Broad St. Station, Philadelphia, PA. New office? D rated. Clean card. 10h.  | <u>\$2.00</u> |
| 137        | <u>Cover</u> . 3JUL1952. Pat S216 (SP) on #807. Pat just off at "P". ID of Southern Pacific Lines (showing 4 trains) on front. Additional handstamp of 310 So. Central Ave., Phoenix, Arizona. Office not listed in catalog. 4" x 9 1/2". Some wear. E rated perfin.   | <u>\$2.50</u> |
| 138        | <u>Cover</u> . 19JUL1952. Pat S216 (SP) on #807. ID of Pacific Fruit Express Company, 116 New Montgomery Street, San Francisco 5, California. Additional handstamp of "From, Stores Dept, Tuscon Ariz." I don't believe this is a new user ID as the posting cancel is "El Paso & L.A., TR 43 RPO). 4" x 9 1/2". Clean. E rated. | <u>\$2.50</u> |
| 139        | <u>Cover</u> . 5JUN1977. Pat W20.5 (WAL/KER) on #1705. ID of Walker with address on front. Philatelic perfin. E rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Vert crease (doesn't affect perfin).   | <u>\$1.00</u> |
| 140        | <u>Mail bag tag</u> . 8JUL1946. Pat W92 (WF/U) on #811, #825(3), #831(2) & #833(2). ID of Wells Fargo Bank & Union Trust Co., Market at Montgomery, San Francisco, CA. Registered mail. F rated.   | <u>\$2.50</u> |
| 141        | <u>Mint stamped envelope</u> . Design 35.2 (Star of David) punched completely through a U619 (Star) envelope. Star on Star... Unrated perfin pattern.  | <u>\$1.00</u> |
| 142        | <u>Cover</u> . 14OCT1978. Design 46.5 (CLEF/A/S) on #1615C. ID of Albert Spencer in address. Philatelic cover/perfin cancelled at CHELPEX Station (piano keys in cancel). Additional copy of #1581 mounted on cover illustrating pattern. Extra (non-perfin) 1615C also. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Clean cover. D rated.                  | <u>\$1.00</u> |
| 143        | <u>Cover</u> . 15DEC1980. Design 44.5 (XMAS TREE) on #1843. ID of Maj. J.J. Balough on front. Philatelic perfin. 5" x 7". E rated.   | <u>\$1.00</u> |
| 144        | <u>Cover</u> . 13DEC8?. Design 49 (MAN & WHEELCHAIR) on #1843. ID of John L. Needham on flap. Philatelic perfin. 4" x 6". Clean. D rated.  | <u>\$2.00</u> |
| 145        | <u>5 small covers</u> . 1934-38. All covers addressed TO the   |               |

Guardian Life Insurance Company, St. Louis. Each cover has a different perfin that is illegally(?) used. Pats C235; F96; I22; N163; S162. Clean lot. \$2.50

### END OF AUCTION 54

## Can You Solve This Puzzle?

Harry Rickert and John Lyding.



How can a pattern appear complete and partial on the same stamp? Other articles by "Joe" Miller explained how he discovered multiple die patterns by plating multiple copies.

If one knows that there is a multiple head device it usually not to difficult to locate examples. Whether the differences among the dies is noticeable is dependent upon the skill of the die maker.

The user of this pattern was hard on a perforator to have broken so many pins. This usually resulted from overloading the perforator or jerking down on the handle.

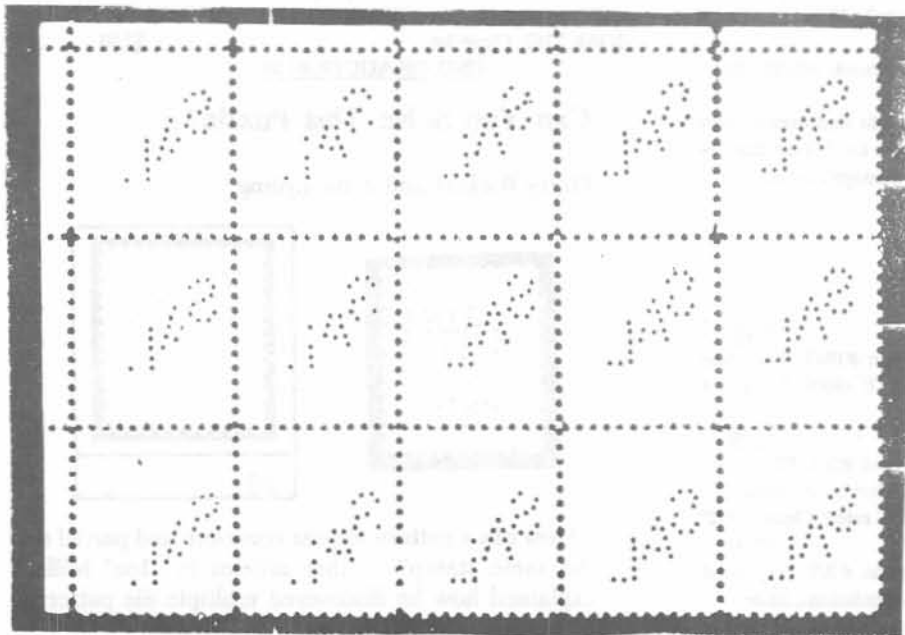
If you do not have a large number of duplicates the way to discover varieties is to compare your perfins with the illustration in The Catalog of United States Perfins .



There is an other example of pin breakage shown on the next page. In this case the perfin is S29 of Seaboard Airline Railroad. The large five die piece, shows five different areas of pin loss.

Since each vertical column shows loss of the same pins, we think that this pieces was made on a five die device.

A quick hard punch coupled with too many sheets of stamps would snap off one or more pins. This suggests that careless employees or heavy usage broke this device at the headquarters of Seaboard Airline Railroad.



**Uruguay - Advertising Labels with Perfins for Franking Letters Follow Up**

Don Henry (#2734)

I read the article by Walter B. Bose and Diego Capandegui entitled "Uruguay - Advertising Labels with Perfins for Franking Letters", *TPB*, February 1992, pp. 40-42, with great interest. I had recently purchased a cover similar to the one of those illustrated in the article.

The front and a portion of the back of that cover are illustrated here. I am unable to make out the postmark, but the perfin is CI-DA. So now, there are at least 15 known on cover!



17, Battery Place.  
New York.

U.S.A.



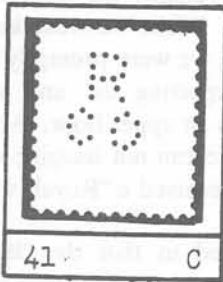
547 GREENWICH ST.  
NEW YORK CITY



Mr. V.A. Mature & Co. Inc.,

112 Sixth Ave.,

New York City.



R-41

### ZAPON - R41

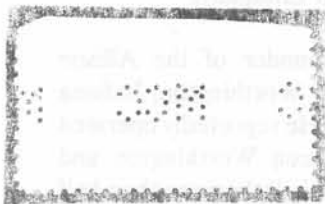
Chuck Spaulding (#2355)

I found this copy of perfin pattern R41 on a cover with the corner card, ZAPON, 547 Greenwich Street, New York City. The *Catalog of United States Perfins* lists the primary address as New Haven, CT and the appendix carries a additional listing of Stanford, CT. On this copy the letter "C" appears to be shifted slightly to the left; however, I am not certain.

A photocopy of this cover has been forwarded to U.S. Catalog Editor, John Randall. I would expect that New York, NY will be added as a branch office in the appendix.

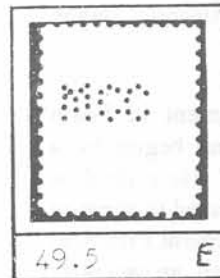
### A Modern Mystery

Jim Estes (#2649)



Here are two modern day "perfins". They also are a mystery to me and I would appreciate an explanation, if there is one out there. First, shown to the left is a copy of the William Soroyan

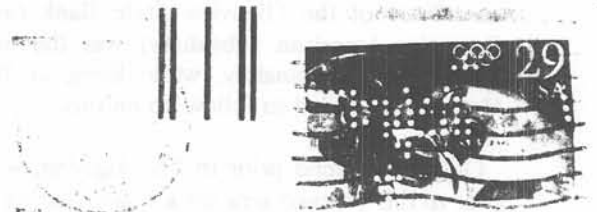
commemorative showing perfin pattern "MCC". This pattern is listed as perfin pattern M49.5, user unknown, from Baltimore, Maryland. Can this perforator still be in use?



The second item, shown below, is a perfin design, on a recent U.S. Olympic issue. The envelope, used by an individual (name and address deleted), is a United Telephone return envelope.

I have reproduced the pattern roughly on the envelope.

If you have any ideas, please contact the *Bulletin* editor.



## Allison Coupon Company of Indianapolis, IN

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Earl Ratzer (LM47)

During the summer of 1987, Doug Cutler, Helen and I toured the Mount Prospect, IL manufacturing plant of Cummins-Allison Corporation. B.F. Cummins Perforator Company had been founded in 1887 and became the major producer of perforator machines in the United States. The Allison Coupon Company was established around 1888. As a result the companies were celebrating a joint centennial about that time. *The Perfins Bulletin* of April, 1988 had a long article Doug wrote describing the many things we learned regarding the Cummins perforators. His article ended with a listing of areas where information was still needed. This will answer some of his questions concerning the Allison Coupon Company of Indianapolis, In.

In 1980, I made a small investment in Foam Cutting Engineers, Inc., a company begun by a former business associate of mine. He retired as president of the company and continued to serve as Chairman. Late in 1986, the replacement President suffered a stroke and died. Phil Allen, an executive from Cummins-Allison, was available at that time and became the new president of Foam Cutting. Shortly thereafter, I was added to the board of the company and also served as corporate secretary. When I mentioned to Phil our search for the records of the "Bureau of Identification" of the Cummins Perforator Company. Phil suggested that an officer of the Glenview State Bank (another Cummins-American subsidiary) was the man to contact. Unfortunately, while living in Illinois, Helen and I failed to follow up on this.

On the weekend prior to Thanksgiving, we went over to the Chicago area for a Foam Cutting stockholders meeting. Phil Allen was ill and unable to attend. Among the new directors elected to the board was Joe Panarale -- another executive with Cummins-Allison. Needless to say, Helen lit up like a Christmas tree and at the end of the meeting, went dashing over to Joe's table to introduce herself

and explain her interest in perfins. She told him that Phil Allen had mentioned that a top bank officer might have custody of the "Bureau of Identification" records. Joe promptly wrote down the name of Jim Mentzer and the address of the Glenview State Bank.

Monday morning found us packed up and headed toward Kettering and home. But on our way, about three miles south of Techny, we stopped at the Glenview State Bank. When we went inside and asked for Mr. Mentzer, we were promptly told that Mr. Mentzer was "expecting us" and we were directed to his office on an upper floor. Apparently Joe had called him. We can not imagine what Joe said, but we certainly received a "Royal" welcome.

Mr. Mentzer informed us that the "Bureau of Identification" files were not in the bank vault and probably had been disposed of when Cummins moved from Chicago to Mount Prospect. He then presented us with photocopies of several pages telling of the background of the Allison Coupon Company. However, he mentioned that the "real story" lies elsewhere. His brief outlining of that story has lead me to do a lot of research. Hope to have it ready in time for the next issue.

He then asked if we went near Indianapolis on our trip back home. When we said that we pass right by it. He said we should check with his son, John Mentzer, Vice President Administration of Allison Coupon. Pushing a button on his phone, his son's secretary in the Allison Coupon Company in Indianapolis answered. Being told that his son was in a meeting, Mr. Mentzer instructed her to get him out of that meeting -- "I have some people in my office he should talk with." We just about fainted, but that is how our meeting with the son was arranged.

By the time we got to Indianapolis, it was almost 5 O'Clock. Following the instructions we had been given, we soon found the plant. Mr. Mentzer greeted us warmly and took us into a large conference room and for 45 minutes we were fascinated by the history of the Allison Company.

James W. Allison, the founder of the Allison family in Indiana, arrived in Worthington, Indiana from England around 1840. He reportedly operated a fleet of river boats between Worthington and Louisville, Ky. Worthington is little more than half

way between Indianapolis and Vincennes. His boats would have had to travel on the West Fork of the White River, join up with the Wabash River twenty five miles below Vincennes, then down to the Ohio, and then go upstream to Louisville. Difficult, but probably better than going by foot in those days.

In 1846, a son, Noah was born. In 1858, the family moved to Hillsdale, MI, where the father operated a wholesale grocery. Noah worked in his father's business and married in 1870. The Allison moved several more times, finally settling in Indianapolis in 1880. In 1882, Noah and Benjamin Nixon formed a knitting and hosiery manufacturing company. The following year saw the establishment of the Allison Company.

Realizing that the American economy was becoming more complex, and that much business was being done on credit with debtors who were really not credit worthy, Noah became involved with the American Creditors Association in 1885. Within two years he was President of the association. In addition, he began to edit and publish the *Indiana Trade Review*. Having free time on his press, Noah reviewed his business experiences and came up with a great idea for a "specialized" printing business.

Being aware that many people handled their money poorly, Noah worked with a number of local merchants and developed coupon books which were sold by the merchants at a discount. This made it possible for a person to get more groceries than if he used cash. The merchant got his payment in advance and the customer was also happy. There was soon a demand for coupon books from retailers, mine and mill operators, and company stores throughout the nation. With the company booming, Noah suffered an untimely death in 1890. Noah's wife and three sons took over as officers of the firm, with a prominent local attorney acting as president and manager. The business prospered to such an extent that, during the next ten years, five moves to larger quarters were made.

Between 1904 and 1924, Panama Canal workers were paid in part with Allison Coupon Books. Army posts throughout the country used Allison Coupon Books on paydays. When installment loans were introduced in 1919 -- Allison Coupon Books provided the prepayment coupons. If you have ever bought a General Motors automobile on time, you

probably used Allison Coupon Books because the firm began to provide the payment books for the General Motors Acceptance Corporation way back in 1922.

Except for one son whose interest in the coupon company was bought out, Noah's children and grandchildren operated the business until it was sold in 1963 to the Cummins-American Corp. But, as Jim Mentzer said, "the real story lies in the Allison who 'got away'." That story will appear in our next issue.

We wish to thank Jim and John Mentzer for their invaluable assistance in preparing this report. And thanks to Joe Panarale for the introduction.



PERFINNED  
BUSINESS CARD

A recent item in *The Wall Street Journal* mentioned that Cummins-Allison Corporation had been awarded a judgement in a federal court in Chicago of \$10.5 million plus interest in a coin-sorting machine patent infringement case against Brandt, Inc. a Bensalem, PA corporation. Brandt has filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code in Madison, WI.

It is a good thing we do not have to worry about patents when it comes to collecting precancel or perfins.

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Editor's note: The next issue referred to in this article was the next issue of *The Illinois Precancel News*. We will publish the follow-up as space permits.

## O H M S and Lewis Limited

Dave Cooper (#1773)

Shown on the next page is an official O.H.M.S. envelope printed for the "Wartime Prices and Trade

The Perfins Bulletin  
1700 Beaver Ridge Drive  
Kettering, OH 45429

Second Class  
Postage Paid  
at Dayton, OH  
USPS No. 120-490

P-L111/412/N  
P. A. MISTRETTA  
722 INDIAN MANOR COURT  
STONE MOUNTAIN, GA 30083

O. H. M. S.



Lewis Limited,  
~~T R U R O, Nova Scotia~~

Attention Mr. A. D. Brannen

**BY AIR MAIL  
PAR AVION**

WARTIME PRICES AND TRADE BOARD  
AT POINT OF MAILING  
COMMISSION DES PRIX ET DU COMMERCE  
EN TEMPS DE GUERRE  
AU LIEU D'ORIGINE  
306 ROYAL BANK BUILDING



WIS T 1111111111

Board". It was mailed to Lewis Limited, T R U R O, Nova Scotia via air mail on June 16, 1944.

Franking was provided by a copy of Scott Catalogue numbers 231 and C7 each of which is perfined O.H.M.S. This is a nice cover as the 7c stamp of a similar design came into use on April 13, 1943, hence two stamps to make up the 7c rate was not necessary.

Using Jon Johnson/Gary Tomasson's system, the 1c green is in position 2 and the 6c is position 1. This is a bit tricky, as it is a full perfin at the right and the M.S. only at the left of the larger stamp.

Ken MacDonald, a postal historian who was born in Truro, N.S. revealed some facts about Lewis Ltd. Lewis Limited were a manufacture of hats and caps, including those for the military. This would explain why they were the recipients of official mail.

Also shown below is a second envelope, badly cut down, that was addressed to Lewis Ltd. This one was mailed on June 18, 1947 and was paid by a 7c air mail. A 1963 listing indicated that no postage was payable on Departmental mail between departments, (specified letters on public business to Federal departments, boards, commissions, etc.) You may note that the original letter was pre-printed with a free frank; however, since this was not interdepartmental mail the required postage (7c) was paid by a stamp with the O.H.M.S. perfin.



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## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Preparatory to publishing a revised one-volume edition of the African Section of *The World Perfins Catalog*, your Foreign Catalog Editor is issuing this SOS call to the membership.

There are many poor, missing, incomplete illustrations in the original serialized version of the catalog. In addition, there is much missing information regarding users, locations, periods of use, etc. -- some Egyptian types for instance. Your editor has not seen A.H.S., EOB, OB/E, or WEK and cannot assign historical periods to these patterns. If you own any of the above patterns, or can contribute other needed information, please send stamps or clear photocopies of the front and back of perfined stamps. Stamps will be returned promptly. The new catalog will include material received since publication of supplements 2 and 3, in July/ August of 1993. This new section of the catalog will be available sometime this year.

Send information to: Bob Schwerdt  
9 Memory Lane  
Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

## A Call for More Want Lists

Chuck Spaulding (#2355)

I would like to thank all the members who have sent in their want lists for the US perfin survey that was announced in *TPB* November/December issue. Unfortunately, we do not have sufficient data to do a reliable evaluation. We need more want lists.

Please take a little time and send in yours. We are looking for all types of lists, from the very large collector to beginners. This is an opportunity for beginners to let us know what E and D rated patterns that they are having trouble finding. The more experienced collector can help determine the hard C and B rated perfins. We are counting on all US perfin collectors to participate in this survey so the ratings will be as accurate as possible in the new catalog.

It is not necessary to include your name, but it is important that you note your membership date or the number of years that you have been actively collecting US perfins. Please send your complete want list to: Chuck Spaulding, 48 Strathmore Lane, Rockville Centre, NY 11570.

## POKO Literature

We have received a copy of *De geschiedenis van de POKO postzegelplakmachine* (The history of the POKO postage-stamp-affixing-machine) by Rudd Hammink as a gift from the Perfins Club Nederland. Along with the book, we also received a copy of an English translation of the introduction by Mr. Chavlier and provided to the Perfin Club Nederland by Martin O'Grady.

The hard bound 112 page book has been forwarded to the Perfins Club Library. Our thanks to The Perfin Club Nederland and its Secretary, William F. Baekers.

**Awards** John Harting's (#2304) exhibit entitled "Perfins of Railroads of the United States" received a Bronze award at the January 27-29 ARIPEX Stamp Show in Tucson, AZ.

## "Other Mail - Comment"

Ian M. Paton (#3289)

I read the item "Other Mail" on page 100 of the July/August 1994 issue with great interest since I had been a traditional collector of King George VI stamps of the British Empire issued between 1938 and 1952. Neither *Scott* nor *Stanley Gibbons* list Canadian Official stamps perforated OHMS though these were used from 1939 to 1948. The specialist KGVI Catalogue issued by *Bridger & Kay*, London (16th. ED. 1991) lists all such stamps including airmail, special delivery and air special delivery as well as definitives. There are some 45 different stamps with a total unused catalog value of more than \$500.00. The highest single stamp is priced around \$90.00.

Crofton, Maryland  
February 15, 1995

There is good news and news that is not too bad this month. The news that is not too bad was communicated to me by our Secretary, Ralph Smith just prior to my writing this column. Ralph has been rather ill. It all started with a fever, which turned out to be a rather bad dose of pneumonia. Dot took Ralph to the emergency room at the local pill factory.

In the process of solving that problem, the staff located another problem that was initially believed to be malignant. However, Ralph's letter gave me the latest word that the nodules were benign. We are all waiting to find out the final results, but thus far, it has not been too bad. If you have time, you might want to send Ralph a card or note wishing him the best. You probably should put your renewal check (\$10.00 in the US - \$13.00 in Canada and \$15.00 elsewhere). Dot will be helping out as Assistant Secretary until Ralph gets back to battery.

The good news is that both Bob Schwerdt and Chuck Spaulding are getting ready to complete a Club project. There are announcements on the first page in this regard. Your help and cooperation are needed. Chuck, especially needs our help as he has let me know that want lists have been slow in coming. Now that the holidays are over, lets all pitch in an help out.

The other good news is personal. I have given notice that I will be retiring on June 30. That will provide me with the time for stamps that I seem to be looking for most of my adult life. It will also provide Evelyn and me the opportunity to visit our grand-children more frequently. It has been a good run and I have enjoyed the position.

It also has been a long run. I got my first job at the age of 14 in 1944. In 1947, I joined the US Marine Corps. I was selected to go to the Naval Academy in 1950 and graduated as an Ensign in 1954. I retired from the Navy in 1971 and joined the staff of a small company which eventually grew into Santa Fe Corporation. In 1987, as a Director I took early retirement. Shortly thereafter, I took a short-term consulting job with the Motor Vehicle Administration. That led to my appointment as Director of Driver Licensing and School Vehicle Safety where I am today.

John

Dues for 1995-96 may be paid by sending a check for \$10.00 (\$13.00 in Canada - \$15.00 elsewhere) to the Secretary, Ralph W. Smith, PO Box 895111, Leesburg, FL 34789. Life membership for 20 times the annual rate. The Club does not send dues notices.

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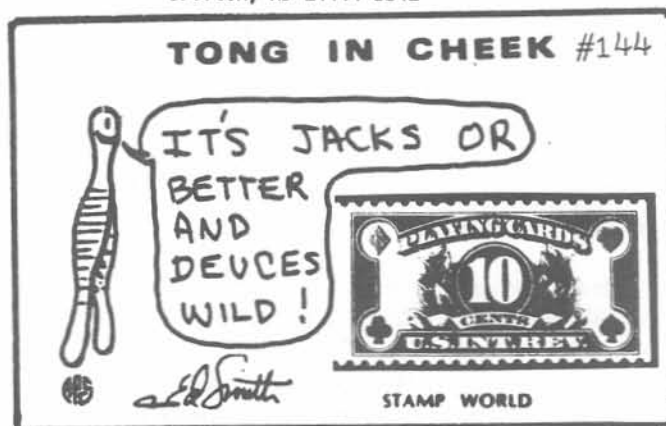
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Australia was also a user of the perfin "OS" for official stamps from 1902 and the catalogue value shown for a 1913 £2 stamp perforated "OS" in *Stanley Gibbons British Commonwealth Catalogue* is \$3,500.00.

I had never thought of these stamps as perfins, but obviously they are. There is another group of expensive KGVI stamps which came from the Colonies that are also perforated. These might not be considered true perfins since they are punched "SPECIMEN." This was mainly to prevent their use as postage stamps. The stamps were produced by the British authorities between 1928 and 1948. They were forwarded to the Universal Postal Union (UPU) in Bern, Switzerland for distribution to the postal administrations of the UPU member states. These stamps are shown in footnotes to the *Stanley Gibbons Commonwealth Catalogue*, as well in most specialized KGVI catalogues. The sets (perhaps 12 stamps) for each colony are priced from \$300.00 upwards.

### 1995 PSS Convention News Ray Jones

This month we feature the two marvelous tours which are scheduled for Thursday and Friday. There will be one each day of about four hours in length. We hope by then you will be ready for a break and to enjoy some of our attractions.

**Longwood Garden Tour.** A true delight for the eyes is Longwood Gardens. Your wife or friend will really love you when you take them to visit the beautiful Longwood Gardens. They are just a short 15-minute bus trip from the hotel. Bring your camera to share the memories of this Friday morning, August 4th., trip at 9:15am.

**Hagley Museum Tour.** This is the site of the duPont Company Powder Mills and the home of the first duPonts shortly after they arrived in Delaware. Nestled along the Brandywine River are many three sided stone buildings (the fourth side was wood facing the river) where black powder was ground and packed, as America grew. The museum includes numerous antiques as well as 3D moving models of powder and flower mills. This is the Thursday, August 3rd., tour.

#### Calendar of Events

- April 9 Eastern Pennsylvania Precancel Society, home of Ray Jones (301-834-7171).

- Northwestern Precancel Club, OR Stamp Society Clubhouse, 4823 NE 33rd. Ave., Portland - 11AM.
- Apr 26-29 Golden Gate Precancel Society - Southern California Precancel Club - Spring Roundup, Best Western Colony Inn, Atascadero, 805-466-4449.
- May 04-06 Illini Precancel Stamp Club, 10th annual Spring meeting at Executive Inn, Vincennes, IN. Reservations 800-457-9154.
- May 20 Golden Gate Precancel Society, Club House, 7717 Church St., Highland - noon. Info call Jim Crosby 909-864-3736
- May 20 Ohio Precancel Club, Bill Knapp's Restaurant, 1185 Kemper Meadow West, Cincinnati, 9am-5pm lunch will be served.
- May 27 - Southern California Precancel Club - Spring Roundup, Best Western Colony Inn, Atascadero, 805-466-4449.
- July 6-8 Buckeye Bash - Ohio Precancel Club at Travellodge Motel in Marion, OH 1-800-578-7878
- Aug 01-05 PSS 75th. Annual Convention/Perfins Club Annual Meeting, Eastern Pennsylvania Precancel Society, host, Radisson Hotel, Wilmington, DE.

### Want Ads and Notices

Want Ads and Notices are published without charge for Club members on a space available basis. Member are entitled to have one advertisement each year. The Editor may run additional advertisements for members at the discretion of the Editor. Items submitted by non-members may be accepted if space permits and the item is considered of interest by the Editor. Neither the Perfins Club nor the Editor can be held responsible for want ads or notices.

If you wish to place an advertisement or notice in the *Bulletin*, please mail it to the Editor: John Lyding, PO Box 3342, Crofton, MD 21114-3342, USA.

**WANTED - The Perfins Club Cover Sales Division** urgently needs cover to meet perfins collectors needs. Send your duplicates, marked with your desired selling price. If you are in doubt, our cover sales manager will be glad to help you price material. Contact Millard J. Driscoll, Cover Sales Manager, 301 Driver Ave., Summerville, SC 20483.

**WANTED - Perfins and perfins on cover from S.E. Asia** including Thailand (Siam), Dutch East Indies, French Indo-China and Straits (Malaya). Also any information in form of books, journals, photocopied covers, etc. Please send with price to Daniel Buchanan (#3314), 2005 SW 154th., Seattle, WA 98166.

**WANTED - China perfins** (including foreign post

offices) on/off cover. May exchange. Details and price to Paul N. Davey (#2971); 4 High Trees Close; Willesborough; Ashford, Kent TN24 0ND, United Kingdom.

FOR SALE - Nice Perfin Issue Collection in 2 post loose leaf Harris Album with extra blank pages to expand. Pages are to 1973. There are pages for US, US Revenues and Canada. There are 550+, over 100 revenues and 100+ Canada for a total of

over 770 different patterns. There are many Washington-Franklins. Included are Scott Catalogue numbers 400, 03, 04, 480, 523, 47, 72, 77, C3, Q10 and Q12. First offer over \$125.00 gets the lot, postage paid. Write or call. Neil W. Boatwright, PO Box 1939, Smyrna, GA 30081, (404) 433-0720.

FOR SALE - 230 Different German Perfins - \$20.00. Bill Pieterse (#310), 106 Elm St., Peterborough, NH 03458.

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The Secretary's Report  
The Secretary is Ralph W. Smith, PO Box 895111  
Leesburg, FL 34789

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US Beginner ..... By: Smith (LM87)
- 3300 Ford, Gregg A.; 4166 11th. Ave. S.W.; Naples, FL 33999  
General, Beginner ..... By: Mewhinney (LM60)
- 3301 Lucas, Rosemary R.; 1813 Lopp Ave.; New Albany, IN 47150  
US & GB, Beginner ..... By: Ottenheimer (LM86)

REINSTATE:

- 1684 DeLisle, Albert B., Jr.; 15433 Boswell Blvd.; Suncity, AZ 85351

ADDRESS CHANGES:

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- 2918 Penn, Robert H.; PO Box 5833; Parsippany, NJ 07054
- 1310 Weiss, Larry S.; PO Box 370467; Denver CO 80237
- 1035 Touchette, Norman W.; 9811 Meadowfern Dr.; St. Louis, MO 63126

DROPPED: Whereabouts unknown

- LM78 Fromer, Mark I; 1671 East 16th. Suite 218; Brooklyn, NY 11229

SUMMARY:

Members as of September 30, 1994	792
New Members	+ 3
Reinstated	+ 1
Dropped	- 1
Members as of October 31, 1994	795

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NEW MEMBERS:

- 3302 Kaufman, Lewis; Box 255; Kiamesha Lake, NY 12751  
General ..... By: Schwerdt (#505)
- 3303 Pohlkamp, Conni L.; 309 Gordon Circle; Little Falls, MN 56345  
General, Beginner ..... By: Smith (LM87)
- 3304 Leemans, W.L.; Deimosweg 3; Eindhoven NL 5632CG; Netherlands  
General, Beginner ..... By: Hoyt (#292)
- 3305 Schumacher, Paul M.; PO Box 2411; Cherry Hill, NJ 08034  
US Topical - Politicians ..... By: Smith (LM87)
- 3306 Reymer, Joseph C.; 5429A Milentz Ave.; St. Louis, MO 63109  
US, Beginner ..... By: Hendren (#2490)
- 3307 Fields, William S.; 1400 Hermann Dr. #12-H; Houston, TX 77004  
General, Intermediate ..... By: Smith (LM87)

- 3308 Rioux, Bryan E.; 184 Brownell St. #1; Fall River, MA 02720  
US, Intermediate ..... By: Smith (LM87)
- 3309 Engle, Wayne F.; 1507 Stuart Rd.; Herndon, VA 22070  
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- 3310 Ewing, E. Geoffrey; 638 St. Clair Ave. W, Apt. B; Toronto, Canada M6C 1A9  
Worldwide, Intermediate ..... By: Durbano (#2538)

REINSTATE:

3046 Verhoeven, Jan L.; Spieringweg 1077; 2136 LN Zwaanshoek, Netherlands

DROPPED: Whereabouts unknown

3226 Wiksten, Ralph A.; 164 Rockymeadow St.; Middleboro, MA 02346

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2587 Christensen, Harry A.; 200 Village Dr. 340, Downers Grove, IL 60516

3274 Dunmire, Burt L.; 1245 Shamrock Hill Circle; Loganville, GA 30249

LM64 Brock, A.L.; 817 E. Redondo Dr.; Tempe, AZ 85282

Change of address for Editor for the Australian/New Zealand Perfins Society:

Grant, John; PO Box 3111; Westen Creek; ACT 2606

SUMMARY:

Members as of October 31, 1994	795
New Members	+ 9
Reinstated	+ 1
Dropped	<u>-1</u>
Members as of November 30, 1994	804

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- 3311 Scheper, Dick D.; Hogeland 1; NL02264 JX Leidschendam, Netherlands  
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- 3312 Lehr, William L.; 312 Lower Coleville Rd.; Bellefonte, PA 16823  
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- 3313 Rotondi, Richard J.; 60245 Woodside Rd.; Bend OR 97702  
US, Beginner By: Ottenheimer (LM86)
- 3314 Buchanan, Daniel F.; 2005 SW 154th.; Seattle, WA 98166  
Siam, Indochina, China & Straits Settlements By: Ottenheimer (LM86)
- 3315 Potter, Joan; HCO 6 Box 209, Blue Ridge, GA 30513  
US, Beginner By: Smith (LM87)
- 3316 Hunt, John M.; PO Box 075; Olongapo City 2200, Philippines  
Philippines By: Tsang (#2661)
- 3317 Garland, Douglas W.; 23 Church St.; Transfer, PA 16154  
US, Canada, Australia, Beginner By: Smith (LM87)

ADDRESS CHANGES:

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3091 Forbes, Kenneth F.; 21 Enfield Road; Enfield, NS; Canada B2T 1C9

LM22 Pocock, Derek A.; PO Box 670, Subiaco; West Australia 6008

1238 Laura, Joseph Jr.; 76 Great Hill Dr.; West Wareham, MA 02576

2842 Propst, Marion F.; RR #3 Box 344, Perham, MN 56573

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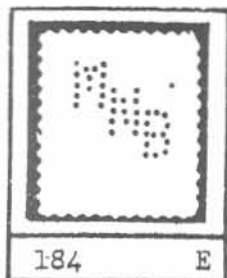
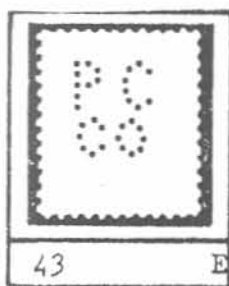
Members as of November 30, 1994	804
New Members	+ 7
Members as of December 31, 1994	811

## Air Mails

Harry Rickard (#1802)

Many stamp collectors turn to perfins out of curiosity than for any other reason. Members should enter exhibits at stamp shows illustrating the various types of perfins that we collect. Perfins on air mails are merely one of the many facets of perfins we can present to non-collectors.

NOTE: You might have noticed Harry Rickard's resignation in a recent issue. Harry served the Club in many capacities including a stint as US Catalog Editor. However, Harry's greatest contribution was the great number of articles he wrote for *The Perfins Bulletin*. Because of the large quantity, we will still be reading some of Harry's contributions.



## Black Harding Update Joseph Laura, Jr. (#1238)


*The Perfins Bulletin*, May 1991, pp. 103-4 published a listing by Harry Rickard of perfin patterns known on the Black Harding issue. That article probably produced more mail than any other article ever published in *TPB*. An extensive revision and extension of that list was printed in *TPB*, November/December 1991, pp. 221-4. Since then the following additional discoveries have been made.

<u>Letter A</u>	<u>Letter L</u>	<u>Letter V</u>
46.5	55.7	25
69	110	
91		<u>Letter W</u>
168	<u>Letter M</u>	8C
205	96	12
244	295	26
		72.1
<u>Letter B</u>	<u>Letter N</u>	131
7	10.5	152
38	67	156
60	70	195
80	113.Aa12	199.19
120	113AB2	
	122	<u>Designs</u>
	158B	3
<u>Letter C</u>	170	
20		
152.22		
232	<u>Letter O</u>	
	22	
<u>Letter D</u>	45	
120	68	
137	89	
<u>Letter E</u>	<u>Letter P</u>	
49	109	
	174	
<u>Letter F</u>	<u>Letter R</u>	
31	31	
212		
<u>Letter G</u>	<u>Letter S</u>	
72.29A	2.23	
106	179	
195	192	
209	203	
	204	
<u>Letter I</u>	232	
5	234	
132		


FAR EAST

HONAN

(JAPANESE OCCUPATION ISSUES)


					
A1					

HOPEI


<p>PU MO</p>	<p>TC AS</p>				
A1	A2	A3			

SHANTUNG


SUPEH

			<p>YTH</p>		
A1			A1		

NORTH CHINA

					
A1					

SHANGHAI-NANKING

<p>DA B</p>					
A1	A2				

### III FAR EAST

COMPANY	LOCATION
JAPANESE PERFIN STAMPS USED IN KOREA	
(all perfins listed here are Japanese stamps with possible Korean postmarks)	
D22	Fu Kuo-Yuan Seoul, Suwon
D27	Seoul Nursery Company Seoul
E55	Meijia Company Ltd. Seoul
E58	Seoul Osakaya-go Bookstore Seoul
K28	Arai Company Chinnampo
K36	Chinnampo
K44	Seoul
R13	Chosen Rice Company Ltd. Seoul, et al
R48	Ohara Securities Company Ltd Seoul
R62	Japan Life Insurance Co. Ltd Seoul
W44	Chosen Commercial & Industrial Co. Ltd. Chinnampo, Pyongyang, Seoul
W80	Mitsui Bussan Co. Ltd. Seoul, et al
X3	Japanese Navy Jido
KIAUCHAU	
A1	Deutsche-Asiatische Bank Tsingtau
MANCHUKUO	
A1	Yokohama Specie Bank
SHANGHAI	
B1	Butterfield & Swire Shanghai

NOTES:

1. Catalog numbers for perfin types canceled in Korea are from Adachi catalog: Japanese Perfin Catalog.
2. See article by George A. Fisher, Jr. in the May 1980 issue of the Perfins Bulletin.



**Auction #55 - Closes May 31, 1995**

Lots will be sold to the highest bidder at the following advances over the next highest bidder. Under \$1.00, a 5c advance; \$1.00 to \$2.00, a 10c advance; \$2.00 to \$5.00, a 25c advance; \$5.00 to \$20.00, a 50c advance; \$20.00 to \$50.00, a \$1.00 advance; \$51.00 to \$100.00, a \$2 advance, and over \$100.00, a \$5.00 advance.

No unlimited bids, no single bids for groups of lots. OR bids are accepted. In case of tie bids, the first bid received will be accepted. Cash deposits not required. All single perfins are complete and in good condition unless otherwise specified. Straightedges (natural) are not considered damage. In larger lots or mixes, incomplete patterns, split patterns, and duplication are to be expected. All lots returnable if not as described, EXCEPT, larger lots or mixes. Lots must be paid for or returned within THREE (3) days of receipt. **BID BY LOT NUMBER.**

Abbreviations used in this auction:

ADD-All Different Dies	DDF-Different Die &/or Face
QNTY-Quantity	MDD-Mostly Different Dies
MB-Minimum Bid	EST-Estimate
ID-Identification	Pat-Pattern
Preper-Precanceled perfin	Entire-cover including letter
Nat-Natural	

1h, 2h, etc. = Number of holes missing in pattern.

SE (L/R/T/B)-Straightedge (Left/Right/Top/Bottom). Natural SE's will be noted as such and are not considered "damaged".

( )-in QNTY column = number of damaged stamps in the lot.

Perf faults - Any of a number of different faults relating to the perforations (pulled perfs, thinned perfs, blunt perfs, etc.).

(?)-indicates the column data it is next to, is in question.

Please send bids to: Joe Coulbourne  
705 Prince Allen Court  
Virginia Beach, VA 23454  
Telephone: 804-425-2290

**FOREIGN STAMPS AND MIXES**

<u>Lot</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Qty</u>
	Austria	
1	Mix. 10 ADD on 19 stamps. Few pairs.	19(9)
	Canada (Note: Rarity D = 30-100 known!)	
2	Pat A4 (R/&CO) on #106. D rarity.	1
3	Pat C21 (C(HI)) on #251. D rarity.	1
4	Pat C47 (C.P.) on #106. D rarity.	1
5	Pat D2 (D(1)) on #104. 1h, nat SET, D rarity.	1
6	Pat G15 (GUNN) on #106. D rarity.	1
7	Pat M8 (MD) on #104. D rarity.	1
8	Pat N13 (NLY) on #106. D rarity.	1
9	Pat O3 (OFM) on #90. Thin, D rarity.	1(1)
10	Pat S4 (S) on #192. D rarity.	1
11	Pat T6 (TRAV) on #89. D rarity.	1
12	Pat T7 (TRAV) on #106. D rarity.	1
13	Pat T8 (TRAV) on #106. Thin, D rarity.	1(1)
14	Pat T8 (TRAV) on #106. Perf flts, 4h, D rarity.	1(1)
15	Mix. 105 stamps. Duplication.	105(31)
	Foreign	
16	Mix. 17 ADD. 9 countries. No GB.	21(7)
17	Mix. 21 ADD. 13 countries. No GB.	21(5)
18	Mix. 25 ADD. 21 countries. Pretty HEART(B) from India. Nice mix.	26(1)
	Great Britain	
19	B9000(Crown/B.T) on #131, complete strike-pretty.	1
20	Mix. 4 ADD. QV-1; KEVII-3.	4(2)

21	Mix. 10 ADD, 11 DDF. Early material including a penny red (clipped) plate 209.	11(4)
22	Mix. 22 commerial overprints (mainly QEII).	22(5)
23	Mix. 71 perfins on KGV issues. Dup.	71(35)
24	Mix. MDD. QV-QEII (mainly KGV-QEII). Values to 5/-.	82(31)
25	Mix. QV(5)-QEII (mostly kings).	105(25)
26	Mix. 298 QV-QEII (95% are KEVII). Values to 1/-.	
	Very desirable mix. Damage count is my estimate.	
	Duplication & pairs.	298(75)
	Japan	
27	Mix. 20 ADD, 1 pair.	21(4)
	Switzerland	
28	Mix. 21 ADD, all letter "A" patterns!	21(3)

**WORLDWIDE COLLECTION**

The following 59 lots represent part of the late Bill Ross' estate (Perfins Club member #200). Bidders are invited to bid on the entire collection by making a bid on lot 29, or on individual countries by bidding on the various lots. If the bid for Lot 29 exceeds the total of the other 58 lots, then that person will win the collection in its entirety, otherwise the collection will be broken up to those individuals winning the 58 individual lots. Note: I have NOT counted damaged as all stamps are mounted face up.

	<u>Country</u>	<u>ADD</u>	<u>DDF</u>	<u>TOTAL STAMPS</u>
29	The whole collection	671	1348	2133
30	Algeria	2	3	3
31	Argentina	9	12	15
32	Bavaria	18	27	52
33	Belgium	12	14	16
34	Bosnia	2	2	2
35	Brazil	2	4	4
36	Bulgaria	2	2	2
37	Canada	22	79	151
38	Canal Zone	1	1	1
39	Ceylon	12	12	12
40	Chile	1	2	2
41	China	6	12	19
42	Colombia	1	1	4
43	Costa Rica	1	2	2
44	Cuba	9	31	33
45	Curacao	1	6	7
46	Czechoslovakia	29	51	60
47	Denmark	27	77	135
48	Egypt	3	3	3
49	Finland	1	1	1
50	France	132	342	481
51	Germany	100	153	290
52	Greece	3	4	5
53	Guatemala	1	1	1
54	Hong Kong	4	12	16
55	Hungary	41	78	95
56	India	31	42	73
57	Indo-China	2	2	2
58	Iran (Persia)	1	1	1
59	Ireland	19	26	29
60	Italy	21	78	301
61	Jugoslavia	1	1	2
62	Lebanon	1	1	1
63	Luxembourg	2	2	2
64	Madagascar	1	1	1
65	Malta	1	1	1
66	Mexico	1	1	1

67	Monaco	1	1	2
68	Morocco	4	8	8
69	Natal	1	1	1
70	Netherlands	39	75	91
71	Netherlands Indies	1	1	1
72	Newfoundland	2	2	4
73	Norway	4	4	4
74	Peru	1	1	1
75	Poland	4	8	10
76	Portugal	11	19	20
77	Russia	2	2	2
78	South Africa	5	5	6
79	S. Africa Company	1	1	1
80	Spain	18	43	48
81	Straits Settlements	5	6	8*
82	Sudan	1	3	5
83	Sweden	12	13	13
84	Switzerland	27	54	68
85	Tunisia	2	3	3
86	Turkey	1	1	1
87	US Revenues	6	9	10

**FOREIGN COVERS**

Lot	DESCRIPTION	EST
88	Canada cover. 15SEP1954. Pat G10(GN) on #286 & 305. ID of Railway Express Agency at Salmo, B.C. on front. 4" x 9 1/2". F rated (301-1000 known). Sent to USA. Clean.	\$4.00
89	Cuba censored cover. 16DEC1942. Pat A19 (SA/RRR) on #RA5 (split) and #RA7. ID of Drogueria Sarra, Habana Cuba on front. Pretty multicolored cover (front & back). Additional .10c meter imprint. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Pretty.	\$3.00
90	Great Britain cover(?). 18JUL1913. Pat B0840.01 (B.B/M) on #159. ID of Baerlein Bros., Garnabteilung, Manchester inside. This is some sort of large folded accounting document with a wrapper mailing label affixed to the outside. UNUSUAL. Sent to Norway. first B in pat just off at left. VF condition.	\$6.00
91	Great Britain cover(?). 20FEB1914. As lot 90 above. Pat complete. VF condition.	\$6.00
92	Great Britain cover(?). 2APR1914. Similar to lot 90 above. Pat complete and ID doesn't include "Garnabteilung". Different type of document. Perfin is cancelled with a black triangle with MR inside. Some page separation.	\$6.00
93	Great Britain censored cover. 10JAN1919. Pat S6870.01 (S.S/W.W) on #159 added to a 1d stamped envelope. ID of the South Staffordshire Water Works Company, Paradise Street, Birmingham on front. NEW IDENTITY (not listed in Tomkins). 3 1/2" x 6". Clean.	\$10.00

**US STAMPS**

Lot	Pat	Scott#	Rate	Notes
94	A26	332(?)	c	4 clipped perfs
95	A192	640	C	
96	A221-12	634	C	Perf flts
97	A221-38	813	C	Corner crease
98	A267A	319	E	Nat SEL
99	B82	406	C	Nat SER
100	B118	319	C	Nat SEL
101	C24	319	E	Nat SEB & SER
102	C43	319	E	Nat SER
103	C340	E13	CY	Perf flts. NYC preper
104	C386	512	C	

105	D35	499	C	
106	E17	499	C	Sm tear
107	E46	720	C	
108	E103	399	E	Heavy cancel, 1h
109	E126	698	C	
110	F161	572	F	Heavy cancel, thin
111	F223	463	C	Perf flts
112	G115B.5	905	C	Pinhole
113	G137	319	C	Heavy cancel, Nat SEB
114	G172	573	E	
115	I21	319	E	Nat SER
116	I41	499	C	Perf flts
117	J108.6	499	C	Nat SER & SEB
118	L156	319	E	Nat SER
119	L187	319	F	
120	M90	319	E	Nat SER
121	M90	612	E	
122	M204	406	B	1h
123	N22	375(?)	C	Nat SET
124	N113Bb2a	811	C	
125	N113Bb11	814	C	Faint crease
126	N113C6a	807	C	
127	N113C8	905	C	
128	N152	638	C	
129	N163	341	E	
130	N182	319	F	
131	P51	319	D	Nat SET & SER
132	P151	573	E	Perf flts
133	P230	425	C	Few blunt perfs
134	R75	319	F	Nat SET
135	R109	319f	C	
136	R132	367	B	Nat SEL, partial 2nd strike
137	S29	319	E	
138	S195-50	638	C	
139	S207	463	C	Blunt perfs, pat just off at right
140	S215	319	F	
141	S224	720	C	
142	S321.5	332(?)	B	Crease
143	U60	319	E	Nat SER
144	W158	319	C	Heavy cancel
145	Des 32	463	C	Crease, blunt perfs

**US REVENUES**

Lot	Description	QNTY
146	R244 perfin'd SAL/+7+?4 on an embarkation coupon. Dated 2JUL1924 for the Frederik VIII sailing on the Scandinavian American Line from NYC to Copenhagen. Interesting item.	1

**US MIXES AND ODD LOTS**

Lot	Description	QNTY
147	Mix. 3 ADD on the 1902 & 1903 issue.	3(1)
148	Mix. 8 ADD (C rated).	8(3)
149	Mix. 23 ADD on commems (5 Panama-Pacific).	23(6)
150	Mix. 30 MDD on BOB (22 airs; 7 SD; 1 PP).	30(13)
151	Mix. 36 ADD (D rated).	36(4)
152	Mix. 40 ADD on Wash Bicent. Good spread of values 1c-10c.	40(10)
153	Mix. 35 1902 & 11 1903 issue. Values to \$5 (sound). 1902 qnty (1c-8;3c-1;4c-6;5c-3;6c-3;8c-3;10c-7;15c-2;50c-1;\$5-1). 1903 are all 319. Nice lot - high cat value!	46(16)
154	Mix. 50 ADD (E rated).	50(12)
155	Mix. MDD. Duplication. Values to \$1.00.	80(15)

- 156 Mix. 120 ADD (E rated), values to 50c. 120(21)
- 157 Mix. MDD. Dup. Values to 50c with pairs/block. 160(38)
- 158 Mix. 211 stamps. Duplication. Values to \$1.00. 211(31)
- 159 Mix. 360 ADD (E rated). Values to 50c. Nice mix. 360(52)
- 160 Mix. Better mix with 426 stamps. Slight dup. better stamps noted: 302, 2540, C8, Q9. (defin-228; comm-26; local-2; SD-4; PP-3; air-12; preper-30; revs-121). Values to \$1 with some blocks & strips. RECOMMENDED. 426(72)
- 161 Mix. 1175+. Values to \$1. Approx 400 ADD/DDF. Duplication. Heavy on DT/O. Damage count is my estimate (1/4). Unchecked for ratings. 1175(275)
- 162 Mix. 1175+. Similar, but not identical, to lot 161. 1175(275)
- 163 THE BOX! There are thousands of perfins in THE BOX. On and off paper, in blocks (up to 9) and strips (up to 7). Who knows what treasures lurk inside? Unchecked by me (or owner) for ratings. Good range of issues, mostly 1922-45. Values to \$1. Even a couple dozen strips with perfins & ID's. Must surely be worth \$200. Damage count is probably 25%. Duplication. 1000's
- 174 Change of address card. 2APR1945. Pat U39 (U(K)) on #806. ID of E.R. Hall, Museum of Natural History, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas on reverse. F rated. Clean. \$1.50
- 175 Cover. 5DEC1935. Number 5 (2..15) on #637. ID of The Northern Trust Company, N.W.Cor. La Salle & Monroe Sts., Chicago, Ill., U.S.A. on front. E rated, Nice S.S.BREMEN purple handstamp on front. Sent to Greece, Athens receiving mark on back. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Blue envelope, clean. \$7.50
- 176 Cover. 9DEC1931. Design 5 (shield) on #637. ID of The Cleveland Trust Company, Main Office, Euclid and East Ninth Street, Cleveland, Ohio on front. E rated. Sent to Greece. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Slogan cancel. Clean. \$2.00
- 177 Strips. 30 all different Railroad strips, most are 6" x 2". All with ID. Nice lot for the railroad enthusiast. Most perfins are Prexie issue. \$15.00

**END OF AUCTION 55**

**The State Historical Society of Missouri**

Chuck Spaulding (#2355)

I found the cover illustrated on the top of page 44 showing a possible user for perfin pattern U40.5. The corner card identifies the sender as The State Historical Society of Missouri, 1020 Lowery Street, Columbia, MO 65201. Unfortunately, the letters "UM" do not match the with the Historical Society. Please note the cover has been cropped to save space.

*The Catalog of United States Perfins* lists the user of perfin pattern U41 "U(M)" as the University of Missouri located in Columbia, MO. Is the Historical Society a part of the University or is it located on the University Campus.

A photocopy has been submitted to the U.S. Catalog Chairman, John Randall, for evaluation. If you can provide any additional information, please contact John Randall directly.

**Swift & Company - S338-1 from a Post Card**

Stuart A. Johnston (#2713)

Illustrated on the bottom of page 44 is the front of an advertising Post Card from Swift's Pride Soap and Washing Powder. It bears a 1909 copyright and the card's age is validated by the July 2, 1909 machine cancel from the Chicago, IL "Stock Yard Station" that is faintly seen on the address and message side, shown below.

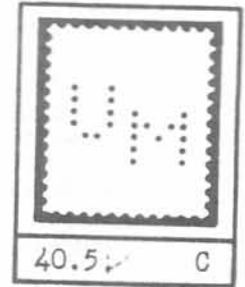
**US COVERS**

- | Lot | Description  | EST |
|-----|--|-----|
| 164 | <u>Cover</u> . Pat A233.5 (ARI/PEX) on #632, C63 & C76. No ID. The cover is a #10 uncanceled envelope with the pattern punched through stamps & envelope. E rated. Vert crease not affecting stamps. \$1.00  |     |
| 165 | <u>Picture Postcard</u> . 19OCT1909. Pat B139 (BIG/4) on #331. No ID, known to be the Big Four Lines. Picture side is Graham School, Rushville, Ind. Clean. E rated. Early card. \$1.00  |     |
| 166 | <u>Cover</u> . 19MAR1937. Pat B280 (B&O) on #684. ID of Kirkland de Luxe Tours, 505 Olive St., St. Louis, Mo. on front. ID is different from catalog. Slogan cancel. 3 1/2" x 6". F rated. Clean. \$2.50   |     |
| 167 | <u>Cover</u> . 2JAN1918. Pat F112 (FM/T) on #498 added to a 2c (U91) stamped envelope. ID of Federal Motor Truck Co., Campbell and Leavitt Sts., Detroit, Mich. on front. C rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Clean. \$5.00  |     |
| 168 | <u>Picture Postcard</u> . 27NOV1908. Pat F199 (FTC) on #300. ID is in the picture! (F.C. Taylor & Co) Picture is of the "most prominent house in the Great Fur District of St. Louis, Mo." C rated. Early card! Mailed to Canada. Pretty. \$5.00                           |     |
| 169 | <u>Cover</u> . 31MAY1944. Pat G72-26 (GE) on #905. ID of General Electric Company, 5441 E. Fourteenth St., Oakland, Calif. on front. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". E rated. Clean. Blue colored window envelope. \$2.00   |     |
| 170 | <u>Picture Postcard</u> . 6JAN1909. Pat L61 (L(C)P/CO) on #300. No ID, known to be Lawyers Co-op Pub Co. Picture is of the Country Club, Rochester, N.Y. D rated. Mailed to Canada. Early card! \$1.50   |     |
| 171 | <u>Cover</u> . 12JUL1932. Pat M184 (MNB) on #710. ID of American Trust Company, 464 California Street, San Francisco, California on front. E rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Sent to Greece. Athens receiving marks on back. Slogan cancel. Blue envelope. Clean. \$2.00           |     |
| 172 | <u>Cover</u> . 18DEC1935. Pat N206 (NYT/CO) on #637. ID of The New York Trust Company, 100 Broadway, New York, N.Y. on front. E rated. Nice S/S DEUTSCHLAND green handstamp on front. Sent to Greece. Athens receiving marks on back. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Clean cover. \$7.50 |     |
| 173 | <u>Cover</u> . 19DEC1927. Pat P196 (PRR) on #583. No ID, known to be Pennsylvania Railroad. 1927 XMAS seal on back. 3 1/2" x 5 1/2". F rated. Clean. \$1.00  |     |

The State Historical Society of Missouri  
 1020 LOWRY STREET  
 COLUMBIA, MISSOURI 65201



Frenkel & Co., Inc.  
 123 William Street  
 New York, New York 10038



**Post Card**

JUL 12 3-00 PM 903 STOCK YARD STATION FOR ADDRESS C

FOR CORRESPONDENCE

*Hello! This is one of the advertisements of the firm I am working for since leaving D. L. Your friend*

Mr. & Mrs. A. O. Bowen,  
 Wisconsin,  
 Wis.

Swift & Company continued from page 43

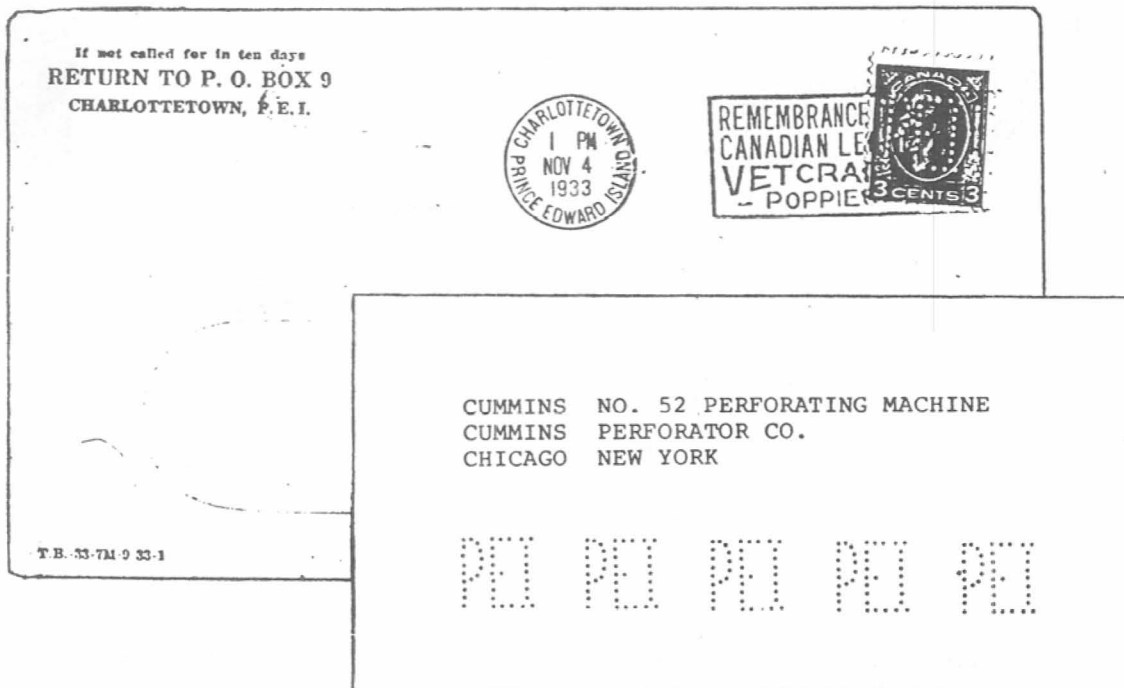
I told *Bulletin* editor, John Lyding, about this at the PSS/Perfins Club Convention in St. Louis in August 1992. He let me know that this form of advertising was not uncommon in the early 1900's and suggested that I share my find with the members.

That meeting proved that it is a small world indeed. While we were talking we discovered that John had in fact spent the previous night in Fort Wayne with an old Navy friend. Oh yes, small world, the friend is my next door neighbor!

JOHNNIE LOVES TO WRITE ALL DAY AND WHEN HE TAKES HIS PEN HE SCRATCHES BUSILY AWAY JUST LIKE A LITTLE HEN.

Swift's Pride Soap and Washing Powder

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## The PEI Perforator

G. Douglas Murray

Nothing has appeared in print for a long time on the P.E.I perfin, which appears to be a very scarce item. The last article I have seen on this item appeared in *Popular Stamps* in February 1957.

Recently a perfin specialist visited the P.E.I Archives and as a result of his investigation the actual machine has appeared from a dusty corner and now has been identified.

This particular machine was made by the Cummins Perforator Company in the U.S. and is identified as machine #52. It was used by the Provincial Government from about 1928 to 1937 according to examples of this perfin found on Canadian stamps, Scott #149 and #235.

Readers are advised that authentic copies of this scarce item when found on cover, would most likely be found on covers bearing a return address "P.O. Box 9" as shown in the illustration below.

The machine is of a heavy cast iron construction and was capable of perforating five stamps at one time, probably full sheets of stamps folded down the center.

Reports of other stamps used with this PEI perfin and possible actual dates of usage would be appreciated -- if you can assist, please write:

G. Douglas Murray  
Box 693  
Charlottetown, P.E.I.  
C1A 7L3, Canada

Editor's note: This article which originally appeared in *PHSC Journal* 17, April 20, 1979 and is reprinted with the permission of: David Roberts, Editor, *PHSC Journal* and G. Douglas Murray.

## Pacific Coast Heating & Appliance Company - P43

Sylvia M. Gersch (#1825F)

An article on the Pacific Coast Company by F.J. Miller and John Lyding that appeared in *TPB*, January 1993, pp. 12-13 aroused my interest.

The photographically cropped cover shown on page 45 answers the question that appeared in that article: "Can any member produce a cover with corner card and this perfin?"

PACIFIC COAST HEATING & APPLIANCE COMPANY



FOOT OF MAIN STREET  
SEATTLE 4,  
WASHINGTON



William Wallace Co.

Box 137

Belmont, California

Attention Customer Order Dept.

Bill and I purchased this cover from the late Joe Balough several years ago. He identified the perfin as pattern P43. It verifies the Seattle, Washington address listed in the supplementary data section of *The Catalog of United States Perfins*. Unfortunately, the perfin design does not show well on the photocopy.

Bill and I visited Joe in El Paso a few years ago and we were able to purchase a considerable number of covers from his reference collection. This is just one of those gems.

### The Allison Who "Got Away"

Reprinted from *Illinois Precancel News* with permission of Earl Ratzer, editor. The *Illinois Precancel News* is published by the Illini Precancel Stamp Club.

Earl Ratzer (LM47)

Several years after the establishment of the Allison Coupon Company in Indianapolis, IN, Noah Allison, its founder, died. His wife, Myra, inherited the ownership of the company. Her three eldest sons became directors of the company: Wallace S. Allison serving as secretary, James A Allison as vice-president and Dillmore C. Allison as superintendent. However, James A Allison found himself more intrigued by the rapidly developing field of automobiles and racing. He sold his interests in the Allison Coupon Company back to the company. His timing was very fortunate and it enabled him to become a prominent part of the Indianapolis auto

motive scene. Believe it or not, more than seventy different makes of automobiles were produced in the area, including such classics as the Cole, Dusen- berg, Marmon, and Stutz.

Early "horseless carriages" were essentially usable only during the daylight hours. Some of them were equipped with Kerosene lamps, but these provided little illumination of the roadway and were more like the "running lights" on a boat or airplane today. The introduction of acetylene headlights greatly improved the lighting. It was a messy system in which the acetylene was produced by dripping water onto calcium carbide located in a container on the running board of the car. The acetylene thus produced was then piped to the headlights where it was burned to produce a bright light.

In 1904, Percy C. Avery had acquired a French patent for compressing acetylene in steel cylinders. Acetylene is a gas which is violently explosive when subjected to shock, spark or sudden heating. He took a sample cylinder to Carl G. Fisher, a man whose exploits in promoting the sales of bicycles and cars had won him the nickname of "Crazy Carl." Realizing the potentials of this patent, Carl recruited James Allison as a financial backer for the venture and in September of 1904, "Prest-O-Lite" was formed. Despite a series of plant explosions, the company became very successful and their acetylene cylinders and headlights were soon used throughout the auto industry. The company became the largest calcium carbide customer of Union Carbide. There were 34 branch plants in operation by 1917. Jim Allison and Carl Fisher had already become millionaires. In that same year they sold a

controlling interest in Prest-O-Lite for a mere \$9,000,000. Later that year, Union Carbide & Carbon Company was formed through the merger of National Carbon, Union Carbide Electro Metallurgical, Prest-O-Lite, and Linde Air Products.

On Labor Day of 1905, Barney Oldfield was the winner of the Indiana State Fair Auto Race. Two racing cars produced by the National Motor Car and Vehicle Corporation of Indianapolis broke world records held by French Renaults. It was then decided to stage an assault on the world record for distance covered in 24-hours by automobile. This race was held in November under Jim Allison's management. The 24-hour distance mark was increased from 789 miles to 1094 miles.

As a follow-up to the this race, the Indianapolis Motor Speedway was established in 1909 as a dirt track. Fisher, as the largest stockholder of the speedway firm, served as president. Allison was the secretary-treasurer. The first race held on the new track was halted at 235 miles because of the many accidents and deaths resulting from the poor track conditions. The track was rebuilt, using 3,500,000 bricks as the base for the new track surface. Thus the Speedway got its nickname of "the Brickyard". The first Indianapolis Speedway 500-mile International Sweepstakes Race was held on May 30, 1911. The annual event became the ultimate proving ground for worldwide automotive innovations. Allison became president of the company in 1913 and served in that capacity until Eddie Rickenbacker and his associates took over.

Fisher, Allison, and their associates felt that it would be helpful to set up some racing teams for competing on the Speedway track. The first of these, the Indianapolis Speedway Team Company, was established on September 14, 1915. The second team was called the Prest-O-Lite Team. Perhaps the third was the National Motor Car Team. Late in 1916, Allison became the sole owner of the first team and it became the Allison Speedway Team Company. Fisher kept the Prest-O-Lite Team. Allison then built a new shop near the Speedway, staffed with leading craftsman and mechanics and equipped with the most advanced machines and tools available. With the entrance of the United States in World War I, work on auto racing was terminated, and the name of the company was changed to the Allison Experimental Company. After the war, a winning Indy 500 racer was entered. With that success, Allison abandoned auto

racing for more challenging fields.

Displaying another new name, the Allison Engineering Company, operating as a job shop, took on a wide variety of projects. During World War I, over 20,000 Liberty Aircraft Engines were produced in the U.S. for use in Allied aircraft. Half of these reached Europe, the balance remained in shipping crates at Wright Field in Dayton, Ohio. Several hundred of these engines were produced by Allison. Unfortunately, the Liberty engines had crankshaft and connecting rod bearings which failed after 50-hours or so of use. Norman Gibson, chief engineer with Allison since 1917, developed an improved bearing for these engines, which enabled the Liberty engines to be operated for hundreds of hours. Government contracts to rework the engines crated at Wright Field provided Allison with steady work during the 1920's. These bearings were also used in the engine of Lindbergh's "Spirit of Saint Louis" during its trans-atlantic flight in 1927. The process of making the Gilman bearing was later shared with Rolls-Royce under a licensing agreement.

During the 1920's, Allison Engineering produced twelve high-performance marine engines. This got them involved in the problems of transmitting power from an engine into propulsion. Other projects introduced the engineers to the intricacies of precision reduction gears. Contracts involving the engines on the Navy's Zeppelin-type airships further increased Allison Engineering's involvement with aviation engines.

James Allison's first marriage ended in divorce in June of 1928. On July 29th. of that year, he married his secretary at the Montauk Point, Long Island, home of his long-time associate, Carl Fisher. That week he came down with a heavy cold and while on a business trip to Indianapolis, the illness became serious. The front pages of the newspapers of August 4, 1928, announced his death.

In order to maintain Allison Engineering's value as a going concern, his executor put the company up for sale with the stipulation that its operation be continued in Indianapolis for a ten-year period. The company was purchased by Fisher & Company of Detroit. Eddie Rickenbacker was named as president on January 1, 1929. The two Fisher brothers were members of the executive committee of General Motors Corporation, so it was not surprising to find that Fisher & Company sold its Allison holdings to GM as of April 1, 1929.

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## Random Thoughts

*The Precancel Forum*, Volume 56, No. 2, February, 1995, is the source of materials concerning the Club's Annual Meeting and the Calendar of Events. It also contains the article by Jim Hirstein which is reproduced below. We are fortunate that The Precancel Stamp Society, Inc. has invited us to participate in their annual convention for a number of years.

## Precanceled, Perfined and Dated

Jim Hirstein, PSS 4662

A number of years ago, Helen Ratzer showed me her list of dated precanceled perfins and asked the question, "How many controls do these stamps need?" The list is an impressive one, with 29 stamps identified, all of which are handstamped dates. In the years since then, I have looked for these multiple controls and I have dug up only four of them. They are not easy to find.

Then in the September/October 1993 Bulletin of the Golden Gate Precancel Society, editor Bruce Brunell reported a 7¢ Chicago bureau with W.F. Hall perfin and the WFH printed dated date (Jul 38). This first report of a printed dated precanceled perfin was also noted in the "Local Sections Mailings" of the *Forum* (3/94/106). This report inspired me to sort through a packet of perfins, many of which were precanceled. There I found a second printed perfin #N145.5, listed in the Perfin Catalog (1979) as used by the National Shawmut Bank in Boston. The printed control is listed in the Noble Printed Dated Control Catalog (1981) as Type PD-23, used by the National Savings Bank.

We can't say there is nothing new in precancels. You just have to keep looking through stamps that are 50 years old. Can anybody come up with any more?

In 1934, Allison became a division of General Motors. Under General Motors, the Allison Engineering Company continued to concentrate on the development of the V1710 airplane engine. Prior to, and during World War II, more than 70,000 of the V1710 engines were used in the following aircraft: P-38, P-40, P-51A, P-63, A-36, F-82, FM-1, XP-55, XB-55, XB-38, and XB-42. Up through 1990, an additional 78,000-plus engines of newer and more advanced design were built. These consisted of different versions of turbo-shaft, piston-prop, turbo-prop, turbo-fan and turbo-jet engines. In addition, a number of automobile, truck and small industrial turbines were developed.

Jim Allison certainly would have been proud of the output of the organization he started way back in 1915 as the Indianapolis Speedway Company.



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## Notes from here and there ...

### Last Call for Want Lists

Chuck Spaulding (#2355)

My thanks to those that took the trouble to send me their want lists for the US perfins survey that was announced in the November/December 1994 issue of *The Perfins Bulletin*.

It is sad to report that the response has been very poor. I know a lot of you keep want lists. Please take a little time and photocopy it and send it to me (Chuck Spaulding, 48 Strathmore Lane, Rockville Centre, NY 11570). Your name is not necessary but the number of years you have been actively collecting US perfins is very important.

This will be my last attempt to acquire sufficient data to conduct a survey. I was hoping that there would be more members that are interested in getting more accurate ratings of US perfins. If you are concerned, please send me your want list.

### President's Message

Kurt Ottenheimer (LM86)

The Perfins Club, Inc. was established and exists to serve you, its members. For the past year, the Executive Committee and Committee Chairpersons have been hard at work improving our services. We have based our work on indications from members as to what they deem important to them.

Some developments in the last year include:

- o Auction - Joe Coulbourne Increased membership demand has prompted us to increase the auction from one page to four pages for three months, starting this month. If response warrants, the four page auction will continue on a regular basis.
- o Cover Sales - Bill Driscoll Member requests have far exceeded Bill's supply of

covers. You can help by sending him your duplicate covers.

o Judging Handbook - Sylvia Gersch and Bob Schwerdt With the assistance of the American Philatelic Society and the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada, Sylvia and Bob have been working to produce a handbook which will greatly assist members in preparing an exhibit for competition. The handbook will also help those judging perfins at a stamp show. The handbook should be available within the next two months. The handbook will also be sent to the judges of each of the two philatelic societies as a gift from The Perfins Club. Copies will be sold to members through our Catalog Distribution Department, Jackie Ryan.

o Membership List - Ralph Smith and John Lyding Ralph and John are bringing the last published list up to date. This list will shortly be available for sale to members through our Catalog Distribution Department, Jackie Ryan.

For the coming year, I am most anxious to continuing serving you within our volunteer limits. In order to do this, I need specific information as to what you would like to see done to improve the Club's services. My address is on the second page of each issue of the *Bulletin*. If you prefer, call me at (516) 431-3412.

### From other publications

*The Perfin Society Bulletin*, December 1995, has a supplemental update on Sloper Experimental Cancels by Rosemary Smith. Articles include: Perfined Commemorative Stamps 1966-70, A list of Member's Interests, Perfins in Current Use, Barclay Perkins & Co. Ltd., Sloper Circular, Cancel of the Royal Bank of Scotland, and New Identities.

*The Perfin Society Bulletin*, February 1995, contains articles on Reconstruction of a Multiheaded

Crofton, Maryland  
March 14, 1995

Chuck Spaulding reports that he has not received sufficient data to conduct an accurate survey as of this date. It is important to you to me and to the Club that we get as many participants as possible to participate in his survey of US want lists.

The Club's US Catalog Chairman, John Randall, is currently preparing a revised edition of The Catalog of United States Perfins. Without current data he will be forced to continue the existing flawed ratings. This is the time to pitch in and help the Club establish valid ratings.

It may be argued that the Club should not be in the ratings business. To those who advance this approach, it must be said that once the Club published its first catalog with ratings we got into the ratings game and we can not back out.

The true test of an items value is what a willing seller will accept from a willing buyer. That process is an auction. Our auction, number 56 appears elsewhere in this issue, does help establish scarcity. Joe Coulbourne has told me several things about our recent auctions. The three most important items are these. 1. There is an indication of which perfins are over and under-rated. An perfin which is over-rated brings lower bids than other perfins with that rating. On the other hand, under-rated perfins attract higher bids. 2. There is an upward trend in the prices of A, B, and C rated perfins. 3. The fact that we have been holding a number of successful auctions has attracted more members willing to enter lots and more bidders (i.e., our auction success breeds more success). My congratulations and thanks to Joe for doing a great job.

You can help with the four page auction that we are piloting in this and the next two issues. Get those better items bundled up and send them to Joe for the auction. Also, get your bids in to Joe.

The other places that we need help is in obtaining material for the sales division. Sal Guarini needs perfins and Millard Driscoll has a heavier demand for covers than he can satisfy. Don't be an accumulator. Get that duplicate material into circulation.

Dues for 1995-96 may be paid by sending a check for \$10.00 (\$13.00 in Canada - \$15.00 elsewhere) to the Secretary, Ralph W. Smith, PO Box 895111, Leesburg, FL 34789. Life membership for 20 times the annual rate. The Club does not send dues notices.

John

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**TONG IN CHEEK #138**



DID YOU EVER  
"YEARN" TO  
GO TO  
GREECE?

*Ed Smith*



STAMP WORLD



Die, More from the Sloper's Ledgers, and a contribution from Maurice Harp presenting evidence that Sir Henry Bessemer invented the perforating device in addition to his more well known Bessemer Blast Furnace. In addition there are 4 pages of catalogue updates and several history articles.

*Communique* of the Oregon Philatelic Congress, vol 3 no. 2 article "You can have a lot of fun collecting perfins", and David V. Tilton's syndicated columns "Stamps: The 'hole' story behind perfins" and "Hobbies - Stamps with perfins make good collectibles" have brought a flurry of information requests to President Kurt Ottenheimer.

*The Precancel Forum*, March 1995, includes "Precancels! by George", "Texas Trading Session", and a catalog committee report in addition to its usual selection of precancel information.

"How to Hold a Trading Session" by Katherine H. Foster is a good guideline for anyone that might want to try this innovative method of expanding their collection. The only bad news was that their notice in *The Perfins Bulletin* did not attract any perfins collectors, but neither did their sixty post-cards which cost them significantly more than the free notice in this publication.

## Club News

Annual Meeting Notes: At the August PSS Convention/Perfins Club Annual meeting the Perfins Club has the following events scheduled:

Wednesday, 8/2/95, 1PM Business meeting. Brandywine Room.

Ray Jones reports: Ladies and Gentlemen of all ages are welcomed at the 1195 PSS Convention featuring the great CIRCUS theme.

The big news this month is a special door prize. The EPPS bought Tom Trauger's copy of the rare 8.4¢ Wayne, PA Bureau Coil on cover. This is a very rare item on cover with just a couple known to exist. It was used on a window style envelope by a bank. There are some ball-point pen scribbles on it. The stamp itself is a very nice copy with full perfs. The chance tickets for this special precancel cover are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Please send your check, payable to EPPS, to Helenruth Jones, PO Box 200 Kirkwood, DE 19708.

By the way don't forget about the Ethel McCoy needlepoint pocketbooks. Chance tickets are the same price as for the cover and are being handled by Helenruth. You can split your order and get three tickets on each for \$5.00.

Three Little Bakers Dinner Theater Tour! Now is the time to send in reservations for this fine tour. Please send money if you have previously made reservations. Seats are \$28.00 each.

### THE PERFINS CLUB Treasurer's Report Year Ended December 31, 1994

<b>OPERATING FUND:</b>	
Balance at beginning of year	<u>\$15,163.16</u>
Receipts:	
Dues	7,275.40
Amortization of life memberships	489.12
Stamp sales circuit commissions	298.81
Cover sales circuit commissions	79.75
Auction sales commissions	641.40
Donations	34.00
Interest	257.88
Sales of catalogs and other publications	1,565.97
Total receipts	<u>10,642.33</u>
Disbursements:	
Bulletin:	
Editor	106.01
Printer	3,955.12
Publisher	2,480.36
Total Bulletin	<u>6,541.49</u>
Officers and committees:	
President	743.83
Secretary	277.87
Treasurer	53.83
Foreign Catalog Editor	151.99
Librarian	33.00
Awards and shows	252.36
Total officers and committees	<u>1,512.88</u>
Purchases of catalogs and other publications	3,468.25
Total disbursements	<u>11,522.62</u>
Balance at end of year	<u>\$14,282.87</u>
<b>LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND:</b>	
Balance at beginning of year	\$9,839.39
Interest	209.44
Amortization of life memberships	(489.12)
Balance at end of year	<u>\$9,559.71</u>
<b>TOTAL CASH AT END OF YEAR</b>	<u>\$23,842.58</u>
<b>LOCATION OF FUNDS:</b>	
Checking account - Wells Fargo Bank, Palo Alto, CA	\$1,098.08
Market rate account - Wells Fargo Bank, Palo Alto, CA	22,044.50
Cash fund - Catalog Sales Chairman	300.00
Cash fund - Bulletin Publisher	300.00
Cash fund - Librarian	100.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>\$23,842.58</u>

Jim Estes (#2649) is the stamp coordinator for Habitat for Humanity in Seminole County, 2942 S. Orlando Dr., Sanford FL 32773-5347. They have coil plate number singles and strips for sale. They also have some MNH strips of 3 and 5 and many off paper and on cover singles (mostly commercial covers and some are open on three sides.) They

request a donation of 60% of *Linn's* Trend values. Send Jim your want list and he will bill you for stamps supplied plus postage.

Pat Durbano (2538) of Durbano Stamp Company; Box 26532, Markville P.O.; Markham, Ontario, Canada L3R 0M4 sent us a copy of his mail bid sale #2. Unfortunately, the sale closes on April 7, 1995, but you might drop Pat a note if you want future catalogs.

Quite a number of perfins in this sale. Lots 145-173 are Canadian perfins. Noted especially Lot 162 I1 - ICR less than 30 copies are known. Lot 381 contains about 200 different GB perfins, QV to QEII. Also noted a lot of about 500 different world wide perfins and several large (250-500) US perfin lots.

### Want Ads and Notices

Want Ads and Notices are published without charge for Club members on a space available basis. Member are entitled to have one advertisement each year. The Editor may run additional advertisements for members at the discretion of the Editor. Items submitted by non-members may be accepted if space permits and the item is considered of interest by the Editor. Neither the Perfins Club nor the Editor can be held responsible for want ads or notices.

If you wish to place an advertisement or notice in the *Bulletin*, please mail it to the Editor: John Lyding, PO Box 3342, Crofton, MD 21114-3342. USA.

WANTED - The Perfins Club Cover Sales Division urgently needs cover to meet perfins collectors needs. Send your duplicates, marked with your

desired selling price. If you are in doubt, our cover sales manager will be glad to help you price material. Contact Millard J. Driscoll, Cover Sales Manager, 301 Driver Ave., Summerville, SC 20483.

WANTED - United States perfin designs A223, A225, B140, any perfin on Scott Catalogue number 1425 or 1865; other possible items for blood donor/transfusion thematic collection. Ken Martin (#3285), 1348 Cottonwood Trail, Sarasota, FL 34232-2437.

WANTED - Perfins on the 8¢ Albert Einstein Stamp of 1966. Want to buy any, singles, pairs, strips, blocks, etc. I am an active & avid Einstein collector. Harry Flower (#3158), 3 Wheaton Center #315, Wheaton, IL 60187.

PRICE LIST - Bob Murrin (LM2) offers his latest perfin pricelist. PL-78 lists worldwide perfins by country. Over 200 lots are offered, many under \$20.00. PL-79 is also available from Bob. This list of over 200 lots of US perfins, many listed by catalogue number. Both lists are free, although a 32¢ stamp would be appreciated. Bob Murrin (LM2), PO Box 10100, St. Petersburg, FL 33733-0100.

FOR SALE - 310 grams, about 6,500 perfins. Mostly "I" (Illinois). Hundreds of different denominations and different stamps. Best offer over \$50.00 postmarked by June 1, 1995. Jim Estes (#2649), PO Box 256, Goldenrod, FL 32733-0256.

SPECIAL OFFER - For information on long distance bills contact C. Stuart Nahles (#2917), Box 141, Manhasset, NY 11030.

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SUMMARY:

Members as of December 31, 1994	811
New Members	+ 5
Reinstated	+ 1
Resigned	<u>- 1</u>
Members as of January 31, 1995	817

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 US, Intermediate ..... By: Smith (LM87)
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- 2913 Bock, Russell E.

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- 1689 Moriarty, Lawrence R.; 48 Belview Dr., Rochester, NY 14609

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SUMMARY:

Members as of January 31, 1995	817
New Members	+ 6
Resigned	- 1
Deceased	<u>- 1</u>
Members as of February 28, 1995	821

## Control Holes

Harry Rickard (#1802) & John F. Lyding (L106)



Portland, OR



New York

Branch office control identification for Swift & Company was a control hole(s) at the top, bottom, or sides of the letter "S".



small holes  
New York

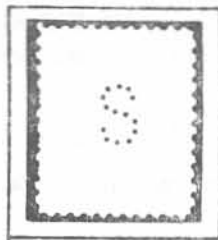


large holes  
New York

In some instances, matching holes were placed opposite each other.



Harrisburg



Chicago



Boston

## A Postal Card from Smyrna with Perfin!

by Wolf Dinslage. Reprinted from *The Austria Bulletin*, Vol. 40, No. 3, p. 21.

I have been collecting all aspects of the postal history of the city of SMYRNA, the city second only to Constantinople in the "Osmanien Empire" for more than twenty years. Over the course of time, beside the Turkish postal system, there have been nine other postal authorities with offices in this city. My collection contains postal documents which cover the period 1963 through September 9, 1922, when the Turkish Revolutionary Army conquered the city.

In the past year I obtained a postal stationery card (*Michel P 28*) sent from Smyrna to Leipzig, dated May 31, 1913, where the imprinted stamp has a perforation (perfin) "G.S." meaning "Geo. Stameny".



In all my correspondence with collectors of Austrian Levant no one has ever seen a perfin on an Austrian postal stationery item before. I have written to the Austrian postal document center in Vienna and received from Dr. Christine Kainz, photocopies of all the laws and arrangements dealing with perfins since 1886 along with *Austrian Bulletin* volume 38 Numbers 1 and 2.

**Auction #56 - Closes June 30, 1995**

Lots will be sold to the highest bidder at the following advances over the next highest bidder. Under \$1.00, a 5c advance; \$1.00 to \$2.00, a 10c advance; \$2.00 to \$5.00, a 25c advance; \$5.00 to \$20.00, a 50c advance; \$20.00 to \$50.00, a \$1.00 advance; \$51.00 to \$100.00, a \$2 advance, and over \$100.00, a \$5.00 advance.

No unlimited bids, no single bids for groups of lots. OR bids are accepted. In case of tie bids, the first bid received will be accepted. Cash deposits not required. All single perfins are complete and in good condition unless otherwise specified. Straightedges (natural) are not considered damage. In larger lots or mixes, incomplete patterns, split patterns, and duplication are to be expected. All lots returnable if not as described, EXCEPT, larger lots or mixes. Lots must be paid for or returned within THREE (3) days of receipt. BID BY LOT NUMBER.

Abbreviations used in this auction:

ADD-All Different Dies      DDF-Different Die &/or Face  
 QNTY-Quantity              MDD-Mostly Different Dies  
 MB-Minimum Bid            EST-Estimate  
 ID-Identification          Pat-Pattern  
 Preper-Precanceled perfin    Entire-cover including letter  
 Nat-Natural

1h, 2h, etc. = Number of holes missing in pattern.

SE (L/R/T/B) - Straightedge (Left/Right/Top/Bottom). Natural SE's will be noted as such and are not considered "damaged".

( )-in QNTY column = number of damaged stamps in the lot.

Perf faults - Any of a number of different faults relating to the perforations (pulled perfs, thinned perfs, blunt perfs, etc.).

(?) - indicates the column data it is next to, is in question.

Please send bids to: Joe Coulbourn  
 705 Prince Allen Court  
 Virginia Beach, VA 23454  
 Telephone: 804-425-2290

FOREIGN STAMPS AND MIXES

Lot	Description	Qnty
1	Belgium - Issued under German Occupation Pat 15 (CR) on #N16. Perf flts (minor). Great Britain Collection	1(1)
Bidders are invited to bid on the entire collection by making a bid on lot 2, or on individual countries by bidding on lots 3-23. If the bid for lot 2 exceeds the cumulative bids for lots 3-23, then that person will win the entire collection, otherwise, the collection will be broken up to those individuals winning lots 3-23. Note: I have not counted the damaged stamps as all stamps are mounted face up.		
2	Collection	1554
		1317
		1454
		194
		1197
		140
		7
		6
3	A	37
		36
		36
		4
		30
		2
		---
		1
4	B	135
		112
		126
		6
		113
		16
		---
		---
5	C	157
		132
		151
		16
		125
		16
		---
		---
6	D	86
		67
		76
		10
		70
		6
		---
		---
7	E	38
		37
		38
		1
		29
		6
		2
		---
		---
8	F	42
		40
		41
		4
		34
		4
		---
		---
9	G	66
		58
		63
		14
		50
		2
		---
		---
10	H	99
		90
		97
		16
		68
		3
		1
		---
		---
11	I	24
		17
		22
		3
		17
		3
		1
		---
		---
12	J	85
		82
		85
		18
		66
		---
		---
		1
13	K	34
		30
		33
		8
		25
		1
		---
		---
14	L	93
		78
		90
		6
		66
		18
		1
		2
15	M	87
		69
		80
		16
		65
		6
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16	N	29	29	29	2	24	3	---	---
17	O	26	18	20	3	20	3	---	---
18	P	72	65	72	6	60	6	---	---
19	Quvxy&des	32	32	32	3	27	2	---	---
20	R	66	60	66	11	44	11	---	---
21	S	145	118	131	12	110	22	1	---
22	T	42	41	42	6	32	2	1	1
23	W	159	106	124	29	122	7	---	1

Great Britain

24 GB collection 171 ADD (8-QV;112-Kings;51-QEII). Collection is mounted so no damage estimate. Looks Clean. 171

New South Wales

25 Mix. 20 ADD. Letters A-E. Nice mix. Good range of values (to L1 & 1/-). 20(3)

Upper Silesia

26 A.B. on #28. Perf flts, sm corner crease, tear thru pat. 1(1)

WORLD COLLECTION

(Same guidelines as for the Great Britain Collection above)

Country	ADD	DDF	Perfins
27 The whole collection	1826	2412	2674
28 Argentina	32	57	57
29 Australia	27	107	227
30 Austria	113	150	160
31 Bavaria	23	23	23
32 Belgium	167	262	279
33 Belgium-German Occupation	3	3	3
34 Bulgaria	2	3	12
35 Canada	58	130	130
36 Cuba	1	1	1
37 Denmark	187	225	225
38 France	353	403	403
39 Germany	567	664	676
40 Hungary	2	2	2
41 Ireland	9	9	9
42 Italy (3 are revenues)	52	75	75
43 Japan	25	47	57
44 Labels (cinderellas)	1	1	1
45 Netherlands (4 sync perfs)	96	102	102
46 New South Wales	3	5	7
47 New Zealand	1	1	1
48 Queensland	4	5	5
49 Romania	22	52	125
50 Serbian revenue	1	1	1
51 South Australia	2	2	4
52 Switzerland	66	66	66
53 Tasmania	2	3	4
54 Victoria	5	11	17
55 Wurttenburg	2	2	2

FOREIGN COVERS

Lot	DESCRIPTION	EST
56	China cover. 14SEP1937. Pat Y1 (Y.T.T.) on #303. ID of Yee Tsong Tobacco Company, Limited on front. Mailed from Shanghai to USA. 2holes. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Clean.	\$10.00
57	Colombia censored cover. Indistinct CDS. Pat A5 (B/DE/C) on #343(strip of 5). ID of Banco De Colombia embossed on front and back. Mailed to USA. Appears to be US censor. 5" x 6". Clean cover. Preprinted envelope (SAE??).	\$7.50
58	Egypt cover. 19MAY1937. B.E./E. on #197. ID of Banco Italo-Egiziano, Succursale di Cairo on front. Opened on 3 sides. Cover creased (doesn't affect stamp). Sent to USA. 5" x 6".	\$8.00

59 Germany front. 2JUN1929. Pat 1.P&K.2 (P.&K.) on #360. ID of H.W. Pott & Komer, Hamburg 11 on front. Mailed to Amsterdam. Front is creased (doesn't affect stamp). 5" x 6 1/2". \$1.00

US STAMPS







Lot	Pat	Scott#	Rate	Notes:
60	A10	428(?)	C	Heavy Cancel
61	A46X	563	B	Nat SEL, corner crease
62	A61	499	C	Nat SER, 1 hole
63	A75	425	C	Lg thin
64	A111	562	C	Heavy cancel, thin
65	A124	639	C	
66	A127	585	C	
67	A163A	642	B-W	Chicago IL preper (61)
68	A170	684	C-X	Blunt perfs, Richmond VA preper
69	A175	425	C	Perf flts
70	A188	499	C	
71	A194	634	C	Few blunt perfs
72	A212	807	C	Thin, perf flts, pat just off at top
73	A230.5	499	C	Nat SET
74	A238	814	C	Perf flts, sm stain, doublestrike
75	A268.3	499	B	Perf flts
76	A270.20	707	C	
77	A281	499	C	
78	A284	338	C	Stain
79	A298	640	C	
80	A299	807	C	Tear
81	B15.5	499(?)	C	Thin
82	B60	634	C	
83	B82	416	C	Nat SEL, heavy cancel
84	B86.7	1047	C	
85	B116-9	1008	B	
86	B116-17	806	C	
87	B116-32	814	C	Thin, crease
88	B116-36	1035	A	Scarce!
89	B118	374	C	Nat SER
90	B122	817	C	Pat barely off at bottom
91	B132	642	C	Sm thin, hole, 1hole
92	B137	501	C	
93	E202	331(?)	C	Thin
94	B212	441(?)	C	Perf flts, sm face thin, pat just off
95	B227	333(?)	C	Thin, vivid color
96	B261	554	C	Tear
97	B289	634	C	Crease
98	C6	424	C	Perf flts
99	C11	499	C	Thin, perf flts, crease
100	C39	697	C	Corner crease, heavy cancel
101	C59	642	C	Rough perfs
102	C120	504	C	Creases, perf flts, pat just off at R
103	C141	493	C	
104	C152-7	690	B	Corner crease
105	C152-C3	638	C	Creases
106	C152-C15	811	C	
107	C181	720	C	
108	C195	642	C	Creases, perf flts
109	C207	375	C	Blunt perfs
110	C207	332(?)	C	
111	C234	C28	C	Creases
112	C261	905	C	Thin
113	C265	634	C	
114	C301	1036	C	
115	C306	905	C	Face scrape, perf flts
116	C356C	820	C	
117	C364	406	C	Perfs clipped top & right







118	C382X	641	B	
119	C415	634	C	
120	C421	405	C	Heavy cancel
121	D22	585	C	Wrinkles, perf flts
122	D33.5	425	C	
123	D50	406	C	
124	D141	405	C	Nat SEL
125	E4	499	C	Hinge mark on face (affects color)
126	E5	335(?)	C	Perf flts, 1hole
127	E39	634	C	
128	E43	825	C	
129	E57	331(?)	C	
130	E107	554	C	
131	F26	583	B	1hole
132	F31	639	C-X	NYC preper (L-5.7E)
133	F51	732	C	Few blunt perfs
134	F62	684	C-X	Fort Wayne IA preper (225)
135	F97	567	C	Nat SET, sm thin, 1hole
136	F117	711	C	Heavy cancel, few blunt perfs
137	F146	815	C	Perf flts
138	G77	503	C	Perf flts, wrinkle, poorly punched
139	G80	424(?)	C	Perf flts, heavy cancel
140	G155F	428	C	1 pulled perf
141	H168	374	B	Faint creases
142	H222	499	C	Clipped at top, 2holes
143	I3	554	C	Nat SET
144	I29.5	425	C	Nat SET, perf flts, crease
145	I38	406	C	Thin, perf flts
146	I62	685	C	
147	I74	642	C	1hole
148	I91-7	807	D	
149	I113	499	B	Creased corner perf
150	J18	499	C	
151	J34	905	C	Clipped at right
152	J42	405	C	Very nice stamp!
153	J78	378	C	Clipped at top, perf flts, thin, 1hole
154	J96-9	806	C	Face scrape
155	K63	585	C	Heavy cancel, perf flts
156	L22	709	C	Tear, thin
157	L46	375	C	Nat SET, 1 pulled perf
158	L66	438	C-X	Phila PA preper (205)
159	M17	634	C	Few blunt perfs
160	M27	684	C	Schenectady NY preper (style???)
161	M41	899	C	
162	M105	807	B	Stain/toning right side
163	M121	406	B	Pulled corner perf
164	M129	463	C	Nat SER
165	M140	425	C	Nice stamp!
166	M189	802	C	Sm face thin, 2mm tear
167	M204	402	B	Creases, perf flts
168	M219	331	C	Perf flts, Nat SET
169	M264	610	C	Nat SER & SET, few blunt perfs
170	M310	707	C	Double strike of pat
171	N65	864	C	
172	N104.5	714	C	
173	N113AB2	820	C	Pulled perf
174	N113AB10	811	C	
175	N113ABb5	638	C	
176	N113ABb14	820	C	
177	N113Bb6a	820	C	
178	N113C8	634	C	
179	N113C13a	720	C	
180	N113Cc1	820	C	
181	N113Cc3	807	C	Pat barely off at top
182	N139	562	C	1hole




FAR EAST


JAPANESE PERFIN STAMPS WITH POSSIBLE KOREAN CANCELATIONS

					
D22	D27	E55	E58	K28	K36

					
K44	R13	R48	R62	W44	W80



					
X3					

KIAUCHAU

					
A1					

MANCHUKUO

SHANGHAI

					
A1			A1		

IV MALAY-ASIA, OCEANIC ISLANDS

	COMPANY	LOCATION
FIJI ISLANDS		
A1	David Jones, Sidney Aust.	
NORTH BORNEO		
B1	Government Fiscal	
B2	Government Fiscal	
NORTHWEST PACIFIC ISLANDS		
C1	Government Official	Popondetta, Rabaul
PAPUA		
C1	Government Official	Port Moresby
PHILIPPINE ISLANDS		
A1	American Red Cross(?)	
A2a	Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China	Manila
A2b	Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China	
A2c	Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China	
A3	Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China	
A4		
A5	Philippine Education Co. Inc.	Manila
A6		
A7		
B1	Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China	
B2	Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China	

NOTES:

1. Fiji Islands - Type A1 is commonly found on Australian stamps.
2. Papua - Two die varieties have been reported for this perfin.
3. Several die varieties exist for types A2a-c of the Philippines. Consult Ray Coughlin's Worksheets in the Perfins Club library.
4. Philippine types A4,6 and 7 are found in stamps used before United States Administration.

MALAY-ASIA, OCEANIC ISLANDS

FIJI ISLANDS

DV ITB					
A1					

NORTH BORNEO

JUDI CIAL	REV ENUE				
B1	B2				

NORTHWEST PACIFIC ISLANDS

PAPUA

OS			OS		
C1			C1		

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

ARC	CBI	CBI	CBI	CBI	PHIN
A1	A2a	A2b	A2c	A3	A4

PE OO	R.R & Co	S.B % Co	CBI	CBI	
A5	A6	A7	B1	B2	

IV MALAY-ASIA, OCEANIC ISLANDS

	COMPANY	LOCATION
<b>FEDERATED MALAY STATES</b>		
A1	Boustead & Co.	Penang
A2	Boustead & Co.	Kuala Lumpur, Port Sweetenham
A3	Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China	Singapore
A4	Mercantile Bank of India	Kuala Lumpur
A5	Oriental Insurance Co. Ltd.	Kuala Lumpur
A6	Straits Trading Co.	Singapore
A7	Straits Trading Co.	Ipon
A8	Whittal & Co.	Klang, Kuala Lumpur Penang, Selangor
<b>MALAYA FEDERATION</b>		
A1	L.Y. Swee	Penang, Singapore
C1	City Council, Georgetown, Penang	Penang
C2	Municipal Commissioners, Malacca	Malacca
<b>MALAYSIA</b>		
A1		
A2	L.Y. Swee	Penang, Singapore
B1		Malacca, Singapore
C1	City Council, Georgetown, Penang	Penang
C2	Singapore Municipal Commissioners	Singapore
<b>KELANTAN</b>		
A1	Boustead & Co. Ltd.	Ipon, Tumpat
<b>MALACCA</b>		
B1		Malacca
C1	Municipal Commissioners, Malacca	Malacca
<b>PENANG</b>		
A1	L. Y. Swee	Penang
C1	City Council, Georgetown, Penang	Penang
C2	Municipal Commissioners, Penang	Penang

NOTES:

1. Die varieties exist on Federated Malay States type A3.
2. Die varieties exist on Kelantan type A1.
3. See other Malay States for similar perfin types.
4. Because of the few fully punched examples, the number and location of the large code holes for Federated Malay States type A5 have not been fully determined. See Selangor and Straits Settlements for similar types.

183	O34	332	C	
184	O45	554	C	
185	P11	332	C	
186	P55-4	707	C	Thin
187	P77	807	C	
188	P95-3	1044	C	Lg thin
189	P99	C23	C	
190	P99	E16	C	Sm tear in "G"
191	P102	337	C	Perf flts
192	P118	699	C	
193	P123	634	C-X	Pulled corner perf, Phila PA preper
194	P141	814	C	
195	P148	900	C	2 creases
196	P159	463	C	Corner creases
197	P164	634	C	Perf flts, lg thin, face scrape
198	P165	634	C	
199	P168	406	C	
200	P182	807	C	
201	P188	397&8	C	1c-perf flt; 2c-face scrape
202	P218	1035	C	
203	P230	634	C	
204	Q9	416	C	Perf flts, corner crease
205	R60	499	C	
206	R106	425	C	Thin, perf flts
207	R140	375	C	
208	S2-24	515	C	Very nice stamp!
209	S2-41	634	B	Perf flts
210	S38	720	C	
211	S92	C17	C	2holes
212	S110	610	B	Perf flts, pat just off at right
213	S151	807	C	1hole
214	S165	642	C-X	Few short perfs, Hartford CT preper
215	S195-1	811	C	Train cancel
216	S195-17	804	B	Toning, pat just off at left
217	S195-50	634	C	
218	S195-52	685	C	
219	S195-66	807	C	Sm face scrape
220	S245	714	C	
221	S267	378(?)	C	Heavy cancel
222	S323	510	B	Crease, 1 blunt perf, still looks nice
223	S365	375	B	Nat SEL
224	T92	510	C	
225	T118.5	528	B	Perf flts, crease
226	U13	334(?)	C	Face scrape, heavy cancel
227	U82-2	708	C	
228	U82-11	820	C	Pulled perf
229	U82-17	638	B-W	Chicago preper (value not in cat)
230	U99	933	C	
231	V26	425	C	Perf flts, hv cancel, Nat SET
232	V29.5	429	C	Shallow thin
233	V30	515	C-X	Memphis TN preper (204)
234	W1	820	C	
235	W24	632	C-X	Sm thin, perf flts, Ft Worth preper
236	W37	406	C	Nice stamp!
237	W72-7	587	C	Heavy cancel
238	W72-19	905	C	Few blunt perfs
239	W72-41	530	C	Nice stamp!
240	W97	685	C	
241	W108	1073	B	1hole
242	W129	499	C	Faint crease, 1hole
243	W138	573	E	Creases, perf flts, 1hole
244	W163	642	B	
245	W199-8	510	C	
246	W199-26	622	E-X	NY/NY preper (bureau 63)
247	W203.5	425	C	

248	Z5	634	C	Nice stamp!
249	Des 17	517	C	
250	Des 31	463(?)	C	Heavy cancel, thin
251	Des 42	634	C	
252	Sch 19	409	N	Schermack
253	Sch 21	384	O	Schermack
254	Sch 34	384	O	Schermack
255	Sch 45	343	N	Schermack
256	Sch 59	344	O	Schermack
257	Sch 69	384	O	Schermack, very nice stamp!

US REVENUES

Lot	Description	QNTY
258	NY state stock transfer tax stamps perfin'd. Letters A-D only. 40 ADD and 87 DDF. Duplication (sometimes heavy).	522(74)
259	As lot 258. Letters E-H only. 48 ADD, 101 DDF.	719(97)
260	As lot 258. Letters I-O only. 48 ADD, 105 DDF.	578(64)
261	As lot 258. Letters P-W only. 68 ADD, 115 DDF.	570(67)
262	NY state stock transfer tax stamps. 27 ADD.	27
263	NY state stock transfer tax stamps. 51 ADD.	52(4)

US MIXES AND ODD LOTS

Lot	Description	QNTY
264	Mix. Nice mix with values to \$1.00. (foreign-6 countries-12 ADD-penny red plate 88 & 5 QV; locals-3; PP-1; SD-3; prepers-24; comms-40; airs-8; revs-54 (including a huge State of IL bear case stamp perfin'd Peter Fox/+3.+6.47.+37; defs-191). Recommended.	338(53)
265	Mix. 586 ADD! Mostly E's (some D's & F's). Includes a few comms, prepers, airs and a wide range of stamps from Wash-Franklins to 1954 defs. Looks clean (est 10% or less damaged). Inventory by owner enclosed. Recommended (approx 1/10 of all US dies!). Great starter collection.	586(59)
266	Mix. 1175+. Values to \$1. Approx 400 ADD/DDF. Duplication. Heavy on DT/O. Damaged stamp count is my estimate (25%). Unchecked for ratings.	1175(275)
267	Mix. 1175+. Similar but not identical to lot 266 above.	1175(275)

US COVERS

Lot	Description	EST
268	Cover. Undated. Pat A76 (ACL) on #720. ID of Atlantic Coast Line Railway Co. on front with a company slogan (yours is-the Double Track Sea Level Route-Say so!). E rated. Toning on cover & stamp. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2".	\$1.00
269	Cover. 16JUL1917. Pat A262 (ASR/CO) on #499. ID of American Smelting & Refining Co. 120 Broadway, New York, NY on front. D rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Clean cover.	\$3.00
270	Picture postcard. 1913. Pat B139 (BIG/4) on #329. Train cancellation. Greeting card picturing a girl/flower/bee. E rated. Excellent condition. No Id (user is Big 4 Lines).	\$1.50
271	Picture postcard. APR1911. Pat B139 (BIG/4) on #374(?). Lovely Easter greeting card (cross/flowers). E rated perfin. Excellent condition. No Id (user is Big 4 Lines).	\$1.50
272	Cover. 7FEB1918. Pat B163.5 (BMC/CO) on #501. ID of B.M. Crosthwaite Co, 105 William Street, NY on front. This is a new ID! B rated! 3 1/2" x 6". Nice cover!	\$15.00
273	Picture postcard. 15JUL1914. Pat B252 (B&A) on #405. Get well card. No Id (user is Boston & Albany Railroad). Excellent condition. E rated.	\$1.00
274	COD cover. 23OCT1922. Pat B279.5 (B&O) on #499. ID of American Railway Express Co, Claim Accountant, 817 So. Wells St., Chicago IL on front. COD instructions on back. E rated. 4" x 7 1/2". Fragile cover.	\$2.50

- 275 Picture postcard. 30DEC1911. Pat C13 (CA) on #374(?). Pretty New Year's greeting card (flowers/fancy script). D rated. Excellent condition. No Id (user is American Insurance). \$1.50
- 276 Entire. 21MAR1916. Pat C152-1 (CHI) on #424. ID of International Harvester Company of America, Aberdeen SD on front. Letter is a sales flyer about a grain drill. D rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Clean cover. \$3.50
- 277 Tradecard. 30MAR1956. Pat C152A-8 (CHI) on #1035. ID of International Harvester, 611 West Roosevelt Road, Chicago 7. IL on front. Card is creased (doesn't detract) and is a sales pitch for the "new" Metro Models line of trucks. IHC office of Kankakee IL. 5" x 7". D rated. Pretty. \$3.00
- 278 Picture postcard. 11AUG1920. Pat C188.5 (C(LN)) on #498. Pat is just off at right. No Id-pmk'd Nashville TN. B rated perfin! Picture is of The Hermitage, home of President Andrew Jackson, Nashville TN. Good condition. \$8.00
- 279 Cover. 1AUG1940. Pat C219.5 (CNB) on #804 added to a 2c GW stamped envelope type U93. ID of The Andrews Lead Company, Inc on front. User SHOULD BE Chase National Bank? C rated perfin. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Clean. \$2.50
- 280 Entire. 10JUL1917. Pat C327 (C/STL) on #463(?) (face scrape & missing 6 holes). ID of Curtis Pneumatic Machy. Co. St. Louis on front. Contents are a sales flyer and brochure about Curtis garage compressors. E rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". \$2.00
- 281 Picture postcard. 11JUL1914. Pat C402 (C&O) on #406. Train cancellation. Greeting card picturing a Dutch girl. E rated. No Id (user is Chesapeake & Ohio Rwy). Dirty looking. \$1.00
- 282 Cover. 1FEB1911. Pat D73 (D/MW) on #375(?). ID of 81 Lake Avenue, Rochester NY and a pretty trade mark on front. Known to be Duffs Malt Whiskey. Pretty Waukesha WI flag cancel front and back. C rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Dirty looking. \$4.00
- 283 Cover. 9DEC1919. Pat D107 (D..S/CO) on #499(Nat SER). ID of The Defrain Sand Co. Finance Building, Philadelphia PA on front. C rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Clean! \$5.00
- 284 Advertising cover (entire). 29OCT1915. Pat E73 (EM) on #425. Perfin is a partial. ID of The Edwards Manufacturing Co with promotional writing and picture of the company building in Cincinnati OH. Contents are 2 flyers; 1 for "keyless locks" and the 2nd for garages - stating that the "garage is no longer an experiment"! E rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Pretty. \$10.00
- 285 Entire. 30DEC1911. Pat F221 (F&C) on #375(?). ID of The Fidelity and Casualty Company of New York, S.H. Pool, Resident Manager, 330 Walnut Street, Philadelphia PA on front. This is a new office? Letter & receipt inside acknowledging payment received. E rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". \$3.00
- 286 Registered cover. 7JUL1926. Pat G175 (GT/CO) on #560 & #562 added to a 2c GW stamped envelope type U93. ID of Germantown Trust Company, S.E. Cor. Chelton & Germantown Aves., Philadelphia PA on front. Faint strike of Register/Rec't required on front. 3 backstamps. C rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Stamps cancelled with Registry oval of Philly. Better item! \$8.00
- 287 Cover. 12JUL1918. Pat H26 (HB) on #501. ID of Harper & Brothers, Franklin Square, New York, NY of front. Cover reduced at right & pat just off at bottom. C rated. 3 1/2" x 6". \$3.00
- 288 Cover. 7MAR1940. Pat H76 (HF/M) on #807. ID of Henry F. Michell Co. Seeds, bulbs, plants. 516 and 518 Market St., Phila PA on front. Slogan cancel. C rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Clean cover-nice! \$5.00
- 289 Cover. 8JAN1915. Pat I116 (I/WILL) on #406. ID of Department of Health, City of Chicago on front. C rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Clean cover. \$5.00
- 290 Picture postcard. 30DEC1910. Pat L146 (LS/&MS) on #374(?). Picture of Atlantic National Bank Bldg and Post Office, Jacksonville FL. D rated. Excellent condition. No Id (user is Lakeshore & Michigan Southern Railroad). \$1.50
- 291 Picture postcard. 16JAN 1911. Pat L146 (LS/&MS) on #375(?). Picture of Shell Beach, FL (C.N.Thompson's residence). Pretty Tampa FL flag cancel. D rated. No Id (user is Lakeshore & Michigan Southern Railroad). Excellent condition. \$1.50
- 292 Cover. 12JAN1954. Pat M59 (MCC) on #807. ID of Jules Chain Stores Corp, 641 Sixth Avenue, New York 11, NY on front. This might be a new ID cover as this corporation may have bought out Moskin Clothing Co (user in cat). D rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Clean cover. Slogan cancellation. \$6.00
- 293 Entire. 9NOV1914. Pat M89 (MCP) on #406. Id of The McPike Drug Co., 7th and Central Sts, Kansas City MO on front. Letter is a request for Chapman's liver pills. C rated. Reduced at left. 3 1/2" x 6 1/4". Still looks ok. \$4.00
- 294 Cover. 11MAR1915. Pat M212 (MP/RY) on #405. Split pattern. ID of The National Laboratories, First National Bank Building, Pittsburgh PA on front (new user id?). D rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Clean cover. Stamp has a Nat SEL. \$3.00
- 295 Picture postcard. 21OCT1914. Pat M252 (M/STL) on #374(?). Picture of Mill Street Bridge and Falls, Watertown NY. E rated. No Id (user is Minneapolis & St. Louis Railway). Excellent condition. \$1.50
- 296 Picture postcard. 26JUN1935. Pat N182 (NYC) on #705. Picture of "Bogalusa Brand" ship timbers 12x32 In.-10 Ft. and up, Bogalusa, LA. Train cancellation. F rated. No Id (user is NY Central System Railroad). Excellent condition. \$1.50
- 297 Picture postcard. 2FEB1912. Pat N211 (N/&W) on #374(?). Picture of the Hotel Schenley, Pittsburg, PA. E rated. No Id (user is Norfolk & Western Railway). Light crease (stamps ok) and a little dirty. \$0.50
- 298 Picture postcard. 26AUG1917. Pat N211 (N/&W) on #405 (stamp tom). Nice Panama/Pacific Expo slogan cancellation. Picture of Mission Dolores, San Francisco CA. E rated. \$0.75
- 299 Cover. 23JUL1915. Pat O34 (OHIO) on #425. ID of The Standard Oil Company, Dayton OH (office) on front. Advertising slogan of Mica Axle Grease/The best thing on wheels on front. C rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Clean cover. Stamp has Nat SER. \$5.00
- 300 Picture Postcard. 21AUG1911. Pat P199 (PRR/CO) on #374(?) (sm piece of stamp gone-looks OK). Birthday card. Train cancellation. D rated. No Id (user is Pennsylvania Railroad). Nice looking card. \$1.00
- 301 Cover. 16NOV1911. Pat R89 (RIE/GER) on #375(?). ID of J. Rieger Co., 1529 Morse Block, Station A., Kansas City, MO. on front. B rated perfin. 3 3/4" x 6". Nice Station A flag cancel. Clean cover. \$10.00
- 302 Cover. 10MAY1935. Pat U2 ((U)shld) on #720. ID of Union Bag & Paper Corporation, Hudson Falls, N.Y. on front with a pretty trade mark too. D rated perfin. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Clean. \$2.50
- 303 Cover. 25DEC1970. Design 46 (trophy) on #1401. First day of usage of the perfin cover. ID of Trophy Brand Nuts & print of pattern and company logo on front. D rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Very nice, pretty item. \$3.50

#### LITERATURE

- | Lot | Description  | Est |
|-----|--|-----|
| 304 | <u>The Handbook of British Perfins</u> by John S. Nelson. This appears to be a first edition(?) with a copyright date of 1967. Excellent condition. Useful GB perfin history info. <u>\$6.00</u> |     |
| 305 | <u>Perfins Catalog (US)</u> . Early edition (60's?). Excellent condition. Great for historical purposes. <u>\$5.00</u>   |     |

END OF AUCTION 56

In No. 1, page 5 the perfin "G.S." is listed in field 8 but the article only addresses stamps. I have attempted to contact Mr. Nussbickel but have found that he passed away since the publication of the article. Can any members of the Austrian Philatelic Society help with information about perfins on Austrian Postal Stationery, especially in the Levant?

Editor's note: I have sent John Nussbickle an advance copy of this article asking him if he would care to comment on the early reports of his demise.

### Katalog der Deutschen Firmenlochungen

(Catalog of German Perfins) Arbeitsgemeinschaft Lochungen im BDPhe e.V.. Available from: The Perfins Club Catalog Sales, Jackie Ryan; 301 South Hine Ave.; Waukesha, WI 53188. Letters A through R \$190.00 postpaid in the US. Individual letters \$13.00 each. Reproduced on 8 1/2 x 11 inch US paper, drilled for US 3-ring binders. Letters S through Z to be produced shortly.

I feel like the gymnastic judge who assigns a grade of 10 to an early contestant only to see a following contestant do much better. In my January review of The Perfins Society's Catalogue, I stated, "The first impression is one of massiveness." This catalog is then enormous, giant, immense, mammoth, etc.

This catalog, copyright by Arbeitsgemeinschaft Lochungen im BDPhe.V. is 4 inches thick and as such is winner of the size award. Size aside you will find this catalog a complete compendium of German perfins.

There is an English language introduction and section on how to use the catalog making the volume easy to use. In most of the catalogs that have been issued the perfins are documented by letter, height and number of holes. As additional perfins are found it becomes necessary to insert new

numbers in between existing numbers (e.g., A3, A3.1, A3.2, A3.5, A4). The authors did not adopt this methodology nor did they follow the British method (i.e., changing A3 to A0030 and inserting new finds as A0030.01, A0030.02, A0030.05, etc.

The new method of numbering consists of three parts, a number, a letter and a third number. The first number describes the type of perfin (i.e, single line, two or more lines, monograms, or symbols). The letter(s) are up to three letters from the perfin followed by a sequential number. For example a perfin that The Perfins Club would describe as "H.L./&Co" becomes 2.HL&,1. "HMC" is 1.HMC,1 while "H.M./C" becomes 2.HMC,1 or 2.HMC,2 depending upon other differences.



The catalog includes the following information (see sample below).

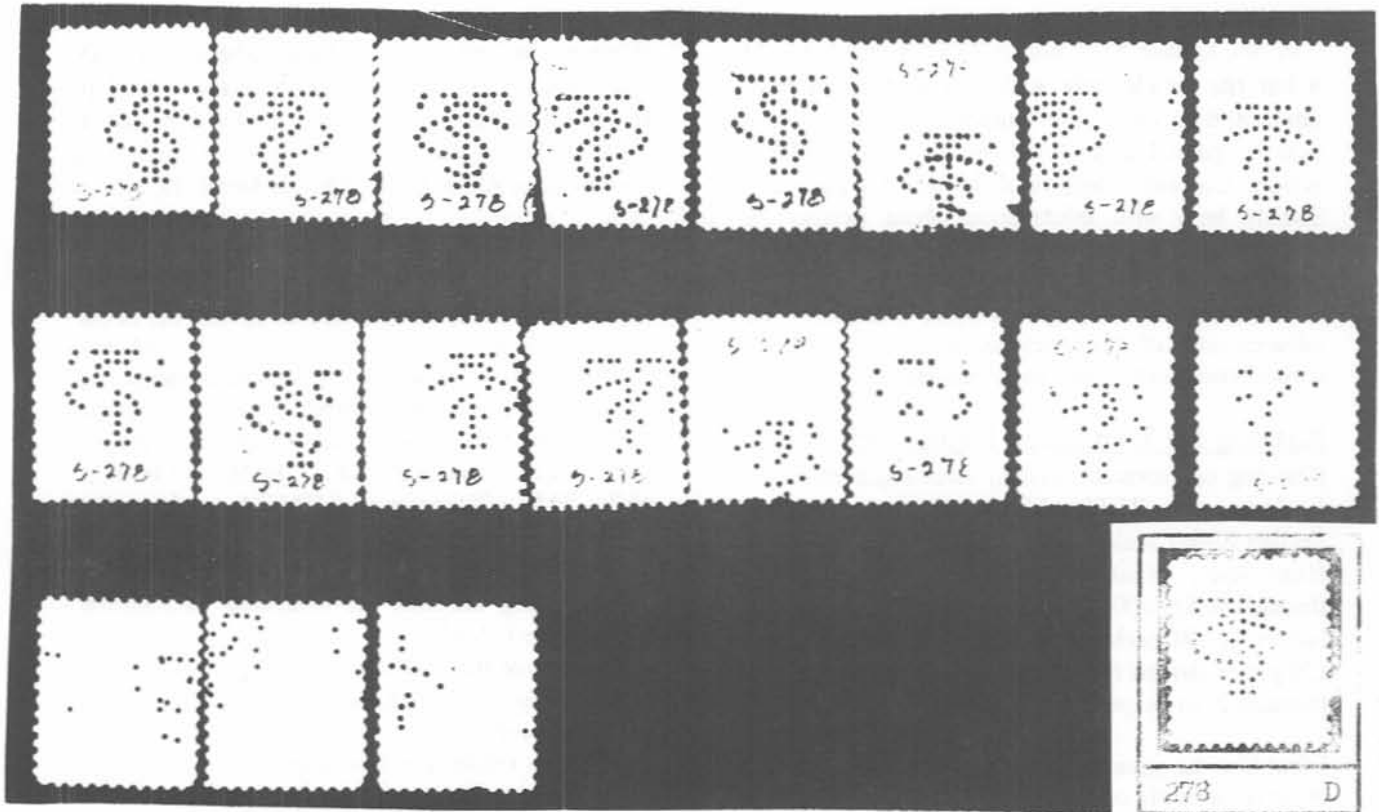
1. Image of the perfin (Abbildung)
2. Catalog number (Katalognummer)
3. Cross-reference (Verweisung)
4. Height (Hohe der Lochung)
5. Number of holes (Lochzal)
6. Position (Stellung der Lochung)
7. Town of Use (Verwendungsort)
8. User (Verwender)
9. Era of Use (Verwendungszeit)

Rather than ship the catalogs from Germany to our catalog sales division and then to the purchaser, The Perfins Club has obtained reproduction and sales rights. The catalog has been reproduced on US size 8 1/2 x 11 inch pages. Because the German size is longer the US reproduction deletes the top of each page. This is cosmetic and nothing is lost to the user.

Once again, my plea for standard sizes among nations.

John

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	Dresden			1924-32									
	Frankfurt(M)			1926-27									
	Greiz			1922									
	München	Austria Tabakwaren		1928-30									
	Potsdam	Akademische Verlagsges.		1931-38									
	Schlüchtern			1934-37									
	Wildpark			1930									



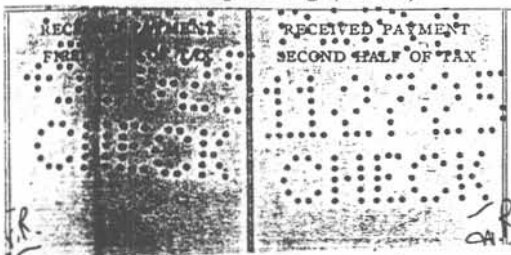
### The Disappearing S278

Chuck Spaulding (#2355)

I know that they are all S278 because I got them from the same source.

### Another Use for Perforators

Chuck Spaulding (#2355)



Here is another interesting use for perforating devices. The partially illustrated City of New York 1925 Tax Levy shows two perforations on the bottom center. These are "PAID 3/5-26-25/CHECK" and "PAID 2/11-27-25/CHECK". See additional illustration on page 65.

The use of the number after "PAID" has an unknown significance. The number are out of order for quarters and both entries have been initialed "W.R." so they are not used to identify the clerk.

### Several Identifications

Don Haynes (#2890)

Chicago Pneumatic Tool Company - C262

Illustrated on page 66 is a cover postmarked in Los Angeles, CA with the corner card of the Chicago Pneumatic Tool Company, 307 East Third Street, Los Angeles, CA. This provides the identification previous listed as a postmark (PM) in the supplemental section of the *Catalog of United States Perfins*. The perfin is C262.

E. Orris Hart & Company - E90

Also shown on page 66 is a usage of perfin pattern E90 used by E. Orris Hart & Company. This confirms a listing shown in *TPB*, July/August 1992, p. 163.

The Liquid Carbonic Company - L55

This cover on page 66 bears perfin pattern L55-2. This cover provides an address at Wells and Michigan Streets, Chicago for the previously identified user of the Liquid Carbonic Company.



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FIRST HALF of TAX DUE  
MAY 1, 1925  
SECOND HALF of TAX DUE  
NOVEMBER 1, 1925

THE CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE  
BUREAU for the COLLECTION of TAXES, ROOM 200, MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
BILL FOR REAL ESTATE TAXES—LEVY OF 1925  
AND UNPAID WATER CHARGES OF 1924  
Make Checks or Money Orders payable to the Receiver of Taxes

TAX RATE FOR	
CITY and COUNTY PURPOSES.....	.01898154
CITY DEBT.....	.00653473
Total Rate for Local Purposes....	.02551627
STATE TAX.....	.00125436
	.02677063 .00125436
Assessment Rate for Special Im- provements, Collectible with Tax.....	.00012376 .00012376
FULL TAX RATE.....	.0269 .02689439
★★PARTIAL TAX RATE.....	.0014 .00137812

PENALTY:

PENALTY at the rate of SEVEN PER CENT. per annum will be charged on the FIRST HALF of the TAX from MAY 1st to date of payment if not paid on or before MAY 29th, and on the SECOND HALF of the TAX from NOVEMBER 1st to date of payment if not paid on or before NOVEMBER 30th.

BOROUGH OF  
MANHATTAN



1925

DISCOUNT:

THE SECOND HALF of the TAX upon REAL ESTATE which is due on the FIRST DAY OF NOVEMBER may be PAID on the FIRST DAY OF MAY, or at any time thereafter, provided that the first half is paid. On such payment of the SECOND HALF a DISCOUNT WILL be ALLOWED from the date of payment to November 1st at the rate of four per centum per annum.

This Bill must be PRESERVED. It must be PRESENTED when EACH HALF of TAX is Paid. IT will be a FINAL RECEIPT.

EXEMPTIONS indicated in red ink are EXEMPT from TAXATION for LOCAL purposes, but subject to State Tax and Assessments as ★★ above.

DO NOT DETACH any PART OF this BILL.

No. OF TAX	LOCATION	SECTION	VOL.	BLOCK	LOT	ASSESSED VALUATION	AMOUNT OF TAX	FIRST HALF OF TAX DUE MAY 1	SECOND HALF OF TAX DUE NOV. 1	Unpaid Water Charges from Bureau of Water Register		REGISTERED		NOTICE OF ARREARS
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From the Charter of The City of New York, Sec. 1026—

"Whenever any TAX or ASSESSMENT shall remain unpaid for THREE YEARS or any WATER RENT shall remain unpaid for FOUR YEARS the TAX LIEN on the PROPERTY will be SOLD to satisfy such ARREARS of TAXES, ASSESSMENTS or WATER RENTS, and all TAXES, ASSESSMENTS and WATER RENTS up to a day to be named in the advertisement of sale as stated therein. The columns for ARREARS indicate lots sold for ARREARS, or to be sold therefor; ARREARS to be paid and lots redeemed at the office of the COLLECTOR of ASSESSMENTS and ARREARS."

FOR other INFORMATION TO TAXPAYERS SEE OTHER SIDE OF THIS BILL

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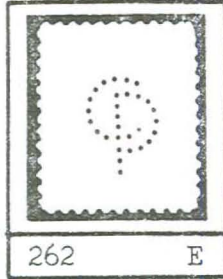
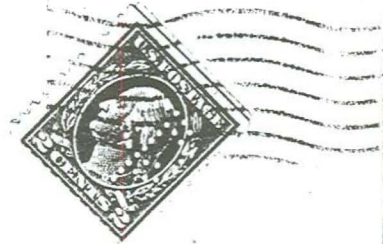
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SECOND HALF OF TAX

RECEIVED PAYMENT  
WATER

The word ARREARS, if it appears typewritten in the space INDICATED by the ARROW, means that previous TAXES, ASSESSMENTS or WATER Charges have NOT BEEN PAID. PAYMENT of these should be made IMMEDIATELY to the COLLECTOR of ASSESSMENTS and ARREARS. Otherwise liens will be sold.

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807 EAST THIRD STREET  
LOS ANGELES, CAL.



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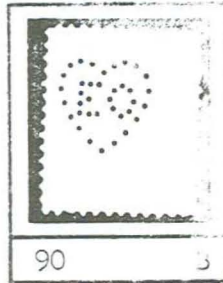
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RETURN IF NOT DELIVERED IN 3 DAYS

SUCCESSORS TO E.W. ZANDER & CO. ESTABLISHED IN 1880

**EORRIS HART & COMPTON**  
REAL ESTATE RENTING  
MORTGAGES  
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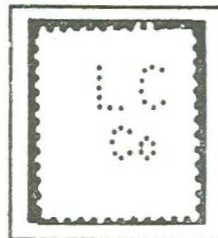
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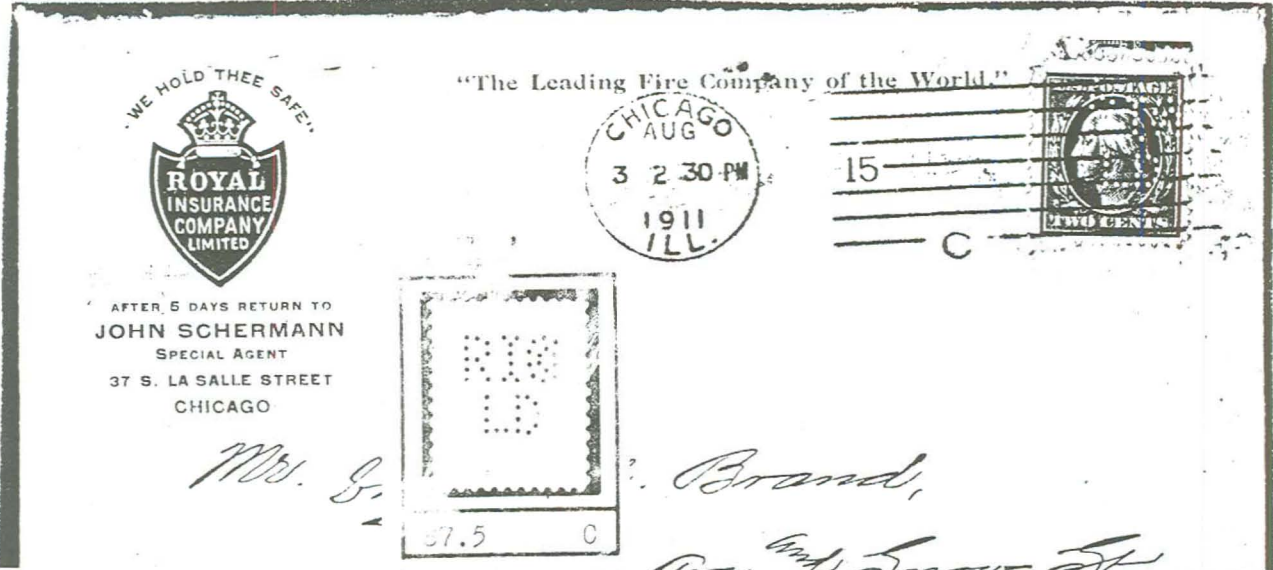
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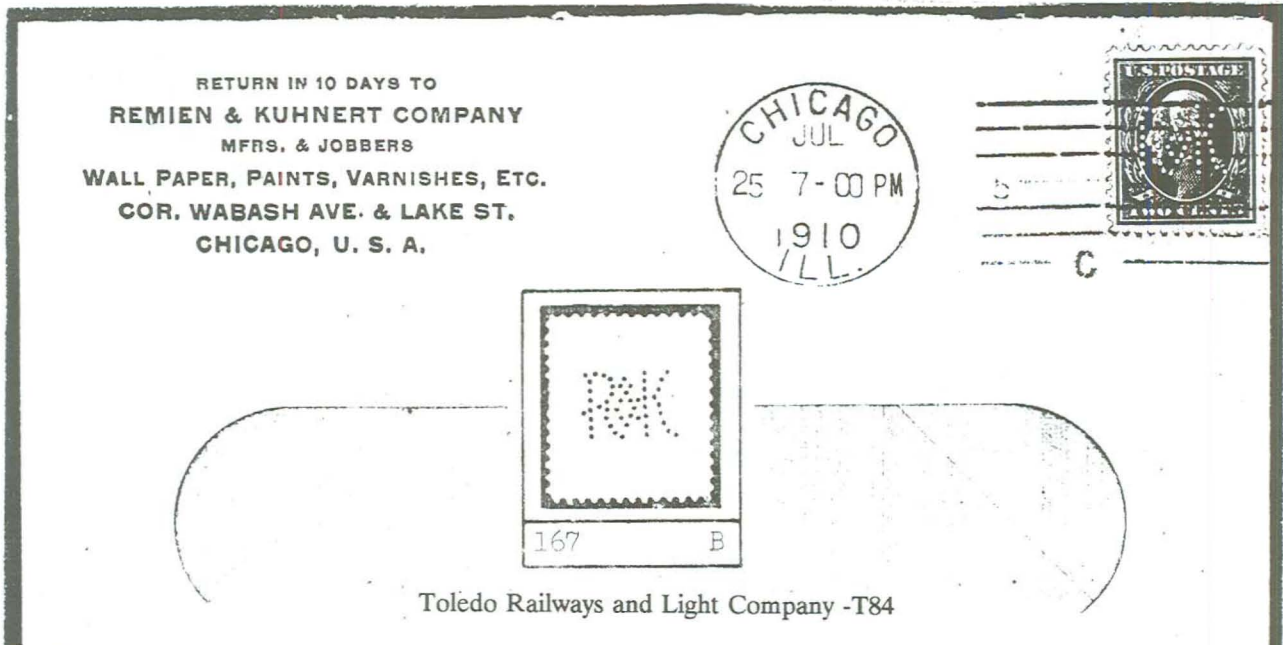
Royal Insurance Company - R87.5

The *Catalog of United States Perfins* (1979) has not previously listed this supplementary address for the Royal Insurance Company, Ltd., at 37 S. La Salle Street in Chicago in conjunction with perfin pattern R87.5.



Remien & Kuhnert Company - R167

This cover will probably become the positive identification for perfin pattern R167. The initials R&K match Remien & Kuhnert Company. This cover, used in Chicago in 1910, identifies the company as Manufacturers & Jobbers. Their stock in trade at the corner of Wabash Avenue and Lake Street in Chicago was wall paper, paints, varnishes, etc.



Toledo Railways and Light Company -T84

This stamp on the cover illustrated on the back page is perforated with perfin pattern, T84. The user was previously identified as Toledo Railway Lines. The U.S. Catalog Editor may decide to use the name Toledo Railways and Light Company after seeing this cover posted in Toledo, OH in 1912. Interesting motto, "Use Artificial Gas for Cooking/Lighting -- it's always dependable."

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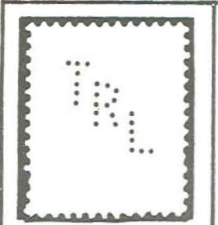

P-L111/412/N  
P.A. MISTRETTA  
722 INDIAN MANOR COURT  
STONE MOUNTAIN, GA 30083

RETURN IN FIVE DAYS TO THE  
**TOLEDO RAILWAYS AND LIGHT COMPANY**

USE  
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# The Bulletin

The official publication of The Perfins Club Inc., APS Affiliate 57

## Notes from here and there

### From our members

Last month's *Perfins Bulletin*, pp. 54-63 reprinted an article from *The Austria Bulletin*, Vol. 40, No. 3, entitled "A Postal Card from Smyrna with Perfin!" I added a note to the article stating that I had forwarded an advanced copy of the article to member John J. Nussbickel (#2002) asking him if he wished to comment on the early reports of his demise. John replied:

Thank you for the letter and clipping from The Austria Bulletin. I knew of this article and often wondered why Mr. Dinslage was not given my address ... I did write the club for Mr. Dinslage's address but they never gave me an answer.

I have never seen this G.S. perfin on Postal Stationery, but Ing. V. Maxa had authenticated this perfin pattern on a stamp.

While I lived in Austria I had attempted to find out about its owner and businesses by researching business directories in the Austrian National Library, But I had no luck.

Well, as you see, I am still around and celebrated my 80th. birthday just two days ago. Other than a little rheumatoid arthritis I am enjoying good luck.

Martin O'Grady (#2343) wrote regarding Ian M. Paton's article, "Other Mail - Comment" on pages 33-35, *TPB*, March 1955.

The OHMS of Canada is shown in Scott Canada. This is published by Uniroyal. One sees this catalog periodically for sale in Linn's Stamp News. There is also a listing in the Catalog of Postage Stamps of Canada & Provinces, a 1994 price list by Jean Thibault of Boucherville, BC, Canada. I also have a photocopy of The Australasian Stamp Catalog, 32 edition. This edition lists perfined 21b as \$3,000.00 AUS (large OS). The small OS is AUS \$2,000.00. The used values are listed as AUS \$1,500.00 and AUS \$800.00 respectively. There are 15 large and 18 small OS's listed on kangaroo stamps.

**Auction Lots.** Joe Kirker (#1777) and Pat Fetta (#312) were the first two members to send me this clipping from Stamp Exporter Auctions (GB) of April 5, 1995.

Lot 4133 PERFINS UNITED STATES (65,000) probably the world's greatest study, housed in 3 large cartons, neatly mounted on pages in 13 fat binders. All different and

identified by company name or Government agency, such as Banks, Insurance Co, Fruit Growers, Railway, Water & Power, Health, Telephone, Board of Education, Advertising, etc. Arranged alphabetically and in Scott number order. Mainly from the 1920s/40s PRESIDENTIAL definitives to the 1960s commemoratives, Airmails, special delivery, and other special purpose stamps. This collection represents a true labour of love and an unbelievable undertaking that has taken a lifetime to assemble (65,000).

ESTIMATE £10,000

### From other Literature

*The BNA Perforator*, published by the British North American Philatelic Society - Canadian Perfins Study Group has added *The Perfins Bulletin* to its complementary distribution list. After my review, I will be forwarding the review copy to The Perfins Club Library where they will be available for circulation. The December 16, 1994 issue of *The BNA Perforator* contains the Club's Auction number 9 (500 lots and the prices realized from that Clubs auction #8). Articles include comments on C45 - CNR Winnipeg which Canadian National Railways made limited and sporadic use of until July of 1994., a reprint of a general article on perfin history and outstanding illustrations of a perfin crash cover (i.e., a cover that originated in Winnipeg on April 7, 1954, and was destined to Vancouver but which made an unscheduled landing near Moose Jaw, SK on April 8, 1954. Incidentally, the editor is Patrick Durbano, our member #2538. There was a review of Durbano Stamp Company's April auction in the April issue.

*The Missouri Mule's* masthead proclaims that it is "Published Almost Quarterly." Having just passed the Spring 1995 equinox, I found the Fall 1994 edition in my post office box. The most important item is: "The 1995 'Mulefest' will be returning to the Budgetel Inn in St. Charles for the annual two-day show on June 16 and 17, with an early bird session on Thursday evening, June 15." The dates had been reported incorrectly elsewhere.

*The American Philatelist*, April 1995, pp. 342-3 contains "A Post Card's Hidden Secret" by member Chuck Spaulding (#2355). An interesting piece of detective work involving a perfin.

Crofton, Maryland, April 15, 1995

The United States Postal Service (USPS) has shifted its philatelic sales interests to the short term bottom line. In ignoring the desires of stamp collectors, USPS is looking at the short term income produced by the Elvis Presley stamps as a method of increasing philatelic sales. The Marilyn Monroe stamp will use a special selvaige designed to encourage casual collectors to retain the entire pane. The Monroe stamp has been announced as the first in a "Legends of Hollywood" series. I imagine that USPS hopes to add the ballyhoo of the silver screen to its marketing services.

USPS's decision to reprint "The Legends of the West" sheetlet, but to distribute a small amount by an lottery insured the making of a rarity, which is prohibited by USPS's own regulations. This unfair lottery angered many collectors initially, but the ultimate USPS insult was to return the looser' envelopes with a staple through the stamps on the envelope. USPS also chose to stick it to stamp collectors by raising the processing charges at the Philatelic Fulfillment Service Center in Kansas City. This coupled with failure to stock all material at local philatelic centers ensures that USPS is more interested in our wallets than our hobby.

Mr. Jaffer's speech at the American Stamp Dealers Association Postage Stamp Mega-Event first-day ceremony noted the stamp collecting hobby was to USPS. The actions of the United States Postal Service fail to prove any application of their so-called interest.

The latest threat was announced by USPS in late March. The United States Postal Service petitioned the Postal Rate Commission for an increase in rates. USPS is not planning on changing the first class letter rate so fortunately we will not be faced with a H stamp this year. The postcard rate will increase to 21¢. The real threat is USPS plans for changes in second class rates. Second class (the rate used to mail The Perfins Bulletin). In this new system, second class rates will be increased 20 percent, but large mailers will pay fees that are lower than current rates. In other words, mega-mailers such as Reader's Digest and People Magazine will be subsidized by The Perfins Bulletin, The Precancel Forum, Stamps, and every other small publication. The danger is the ultimate demise of small publishers who are unable to adjust to this new unlevel playing field that USPS wishes to create.

Dues for 1995-96 may be paid by sending a check for \$10.00 (\$13.00 in Canada - \$15.00 elsewhere) to the Secretary, Ralph W. Smith, PO Box 895111, Leesburg, FL 34789. Add \$1.00 for a family membership. Dues will increase \$5.00 if not received by July 1, 1995. The Club does not send dues notices.

John

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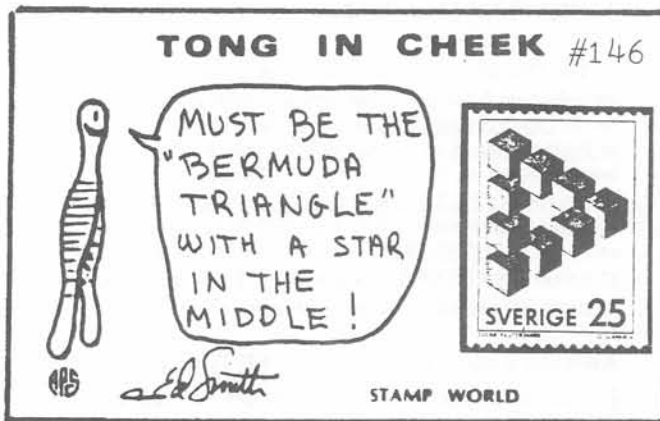
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The Precancel Forum for April 1995 contains a wealth of precancel knowledge including, "New Bureau Precancels", "Precancels! by George", "New Local Devices", "Postal Orders of 1938" "How Many Gallatins are there? Update #6", and "Local Sections Mailings?"

## Annual Meeting Notes

If you are planning to attend the 1995 Annual Perfins Club/ 1995 PSS Convention please fill in the following pre-registration form.

### 1995 PSS CONVENTION Pre-registration Form

	Each	#desired	Total
PSS Member Registration*	___	___	___
<u>Name for name Badge</u>			
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<u>Name for name badge</u>			
Third Little Bakers Dinner Theater 8/2/95 5 pm	\$28.00	___	___
Hagley Power Mills Museum Tour 8/3/95 9:15am	\$15.00	___	___
Longwood Gardens Tour	\$15.00	___	___
Banquet -- Fish ___	Chicken ___		\$25.00+
Convention Group Photo	\$10.00	___	___

Please enclose your check payable to "EPPS" for Grand Total

The day of your arrival, please, if known \_\_\_\_\_

Please inform the hotel you are with the PSS Convention to receive the special rate. There is NO sales tax on food and merchandise in Delaware; just hotel rooms.

Please mail this for or a copy to:

Roy Chester

P.O. Box G

Deepwater, NJ 08023

- \* Member entered into daily door prize drawings.
- \*\* Free preregistration now, there may be a slight seating charge once the show has started.
- + Non-profit cost, subject to possible small charge at convention.

Use form or photocopy.

Please make your hotel reservations early at (800) 333-3333. Mention the PSS Precancel Convention rate of \$70.00. Also please register early. That way your name badge and goodie bag will be ready and waiting for you.

## Want Ads and Notices

Want Ads and Notices are published without charge for Club members on a space available basis. Member are entitled to have one advertisement each year. The Editor may run additional advertisements for members at the discretion of the Editor. Items submitted by non-members may be accepted if space permits and the item is considered of interest by the Editor. Neither the Perfins Club nor the Editor can be held responsible for want ads or notices.

If you wish to place an advertisement or notice in the *Bulletin*, please mail it to the Editor: John Lyding, PO Box 3342, Crofton, MD 21114-3342, USA.

WANTED - The Perfins Club Cover Sales Division urgently needs cover to meet perfins collectors needs. Send your duplicates, marked with your desired selling price. If you are in doubt, our cover sales manage will be glad to help you price material. Contact Millard J. Driscoll, Cover Sales Manager, 301 Driver Ave., Summerville, SC 20483.

WANTED - Pattern C356 (CUD/AHY) used on a mourning cover in December 1910 from Chicago. I prefer a cover with the enclosed printed card. David Savadge (LM43), PO Box 580, Livermore, CA 94550.

WANTED - I am interested in perfins on letters or on stamps with the topic of photography like K, E.W., K.E., J.H., P.I.B. or other photo-perfins. A friend of mine is interested in meteorological philatelic items, therefore, I also am interested in perfins on this subject. Write, indicating price wanted Arieh Lavee (non-member), P.O. Box 6502, Haifa 31060, Israel.

FOR SALE - Time has come, when I have to dispose of my enormous surplus inventory of perfins both loose and on cover. I have loose quantities of USA off paper, quantities of foreign perfins, and covers with perfins both USA with illustrations and railway accompanied with picture cards. Having been rather ill, I would like to dispose of this in large quantities or all in one sweep. For details contact Eugene J. Buckler (#2858); 96 Fifeshire Road, suite 602; Willowdale, Ontario; Canada M2L 2X9.

TRADE - I should like to trade on approval my substantial stock of British and German perfins for those of other European countries, preferable France and the Netherlands. George L Robijn (#3197); Kon. Julianalaan 12; NL 2274 JK Voorburg; The Netherlands.

TO BUY - I am interested in purchasing copies of the Great Britain 1d red with letters in all four corners that have been overprinted for use in Cyprus or used overseas. Send stamps or photocopies with price wanted to John Lyding Box 3342, Crofton, MD 21114-3342.

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The Secretary's Report  
 The Secretary is Ralph W. Smith, PO Box 89511  
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**NEW MEMBERS:**

- 3328 Snyder, Linda L.; RD #2 Box 296A; Colliers, WV 26035  
 US, Beginner ..... By: Smith (LM87)
- 3329 Conti, Joseph C.; #1 Rotaly Ct; Florissant, MO 63034  
 US & GB, Beginner ..... By: Ottenheimer (LM86)
- 3330 Rader, William A.; Box 1089, Havre, MT 59501  
 US perfins on Martha Washington ..... By: Ottenheimer (LM86)
- 3331 Montante, Charles J.; 212 Orchard Dr.; Rockyhill, CT 06067  
 World, Beginner ..... By: Smith (LM87)
- 3332 Picard, Joseph A.; 44809 Saltz Rd.; Canton, MI 48187  
 General, Beginner ..... By: Coulbourne (#2574)
- 3333 Balagno, Myron P.; 4092 Virginia Crescent; North Vancouver, BC, Canada  
 Canada & US, Beginner ..... By: Whyte (#2586)
- 3334 Hummel, Eric P.; 7337 N. Delaware; Portland, OR 97217  
 US, Beginner ..... By: Sothern (#643)

**REINSTATE: (Dropped in error)**

2530 Callis, James R.; 24117 Pecan Grove Ln.; Gaithersburg, MD 20882

**ADDRESS CHANGES:**

- PX Fennel, Marcus B; Canadian Perfins Study Group; 816-3RD Ave. N.; Saskatoon, SK Canada S7K 2K2
- 2607 Shew, James E.; 5317 Dunsmore Rd.; Alexandria, VA 22315
- LM12 Metzger, Charles C.; PO Box 2202; Sacramento, CA 95812
- 2672 Croft, William W.; PO Box 286; Mattapoisett, MA 02739

**SUMMARY:**

Members as of February 28, 1995	829 (Adjusted)
New Members	<u>+ 7</u>
Members as of March 31, 1995	836

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**Perfins Used on Narcotics Stamps**

Ivan Pfalser (#765)

Has anyone given any study to the use of perfins on Narcotics Stamps. I have recently acquired two singles and a strip of two. These are illustrated below.



WS:6..5.5 on RJA43



RJA43



RJA44





WS.:8.28.5: Note broken pins



RJA44



Broken pins in all Letters  
O 7 SM WS 0.30.5:

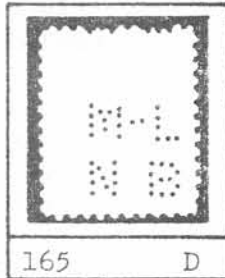
Shown reversed and upside down.

If you can help, or if you have other samples please write to me at R.R.1, Box 162, Caney, Kansas 67333.

### A Couple of Interesting Items



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Schell City, MO

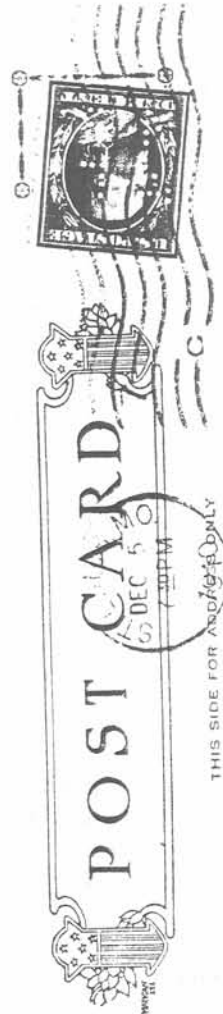
The two postcards with one cent perfined stamps shown above were mailed by the Merchants-Laclede National Bank to the Schell City Bank showing credit deposits. One card is postmarked St. Louis, MO, December 5, 1910. The second is postmarked March 31, 1911. On one card the stamp was perfined face up and on the second face down. This is an interesting use of perfin pattern M165.

## The Merchants-Laclede National Bank of ST. LOUIS

St. Louis, Mo. .... 191...

Your favor of 30 received with enclosures as stated: ✓

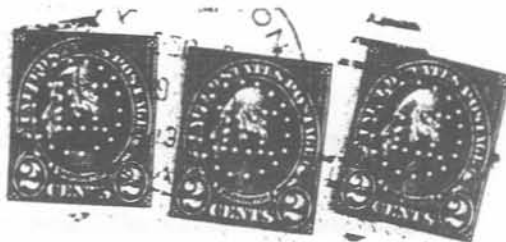
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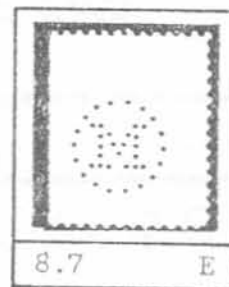
THIS SIDE FOR ADDRESS ONLY

Schell City Bank,  
Schell City, Mo.

AFTER FIVE DAYS RETURN TO  
**COLGAN STAMPS**  
*The Home of Philatelic Gems*  
1233 Kansas Avenue  
ATCHISON, KANSAS



Kenneth H. Mc Kown  
94 Highland Ave  
Lebanon  
New Hampshire



The Colgan Stamps cover shown above (photographically cropped) is somewhat unusual in that the perfin does not match the user. The perfin is the well-known letter M of the State of Michigan (M8.7).

The following is conjecture:

The Colgan Stamp cover is very interesting. Some dealers may have used perfins, but these are State of Michigan perfins and hence there is little likelihood that the State of Michigan provided older mint stamps for a return response.

If the stamps were stolen, it had to be during the period that they were commonly in use for postage. I would believe that Colgan acquired them through a collection or accumulation that they had bought and the original owner was the culprit. He may have taken them home or acquired them from a friend employed by the state.

Technically, by the US Post Office codes that existed at the time these stamps were used (1952), they would have been considered stolen property.

The severity of the offense is probably dictated by the number of stamps that Colgan had in his possession. Did he have a few singles or a number of sheets? Since he used three stamps on one cover, one might conclude that he had sheets.

Since Colgan was "The Home of Philatelic Gems" we may assume that they had some familiarity with Post Office Regulations.

There is no evidence that Colgan got into trouble using these stamps. Nor is there any evidence that the thousands of other covers we have seen with a perfin not matching the user ever got anyone into trouble with the US Post Office.

On the other hand, there is the possibility that the stamps were not stolen property and Colgan or the individual that Colgan acquired these stamps from acquired them legally.

**American Central Insurance Company - C13**

Don Haynes (#2890)

The corner card of the cover shown on the top of page 83 was posted in Saint Louis, MO on December 16, 1911. The cover gives the perfin user as American Central Insurance Company of Saint Louis, MO. The perfin is pattern C13 from *The Catalog of United States Perfins*. The initials "CA" makes more sense as American Central than American Insurance which is listed as the user in the catalog.

A copy has been forwarded to the US Catalog Editor for his consideration.

Lots will be sold to the highest bidder at the following advances over the next highest bidder. Under \$1.00, a 5c advance; \$1.00 to \$2.00, a 10c advance; \$2.00 to \$5.00, a 25c advance; \$5.00 to \$20.00, a 50c advance; \$20.00 to \$50.00, a \$1.00 advance; \$51.00 to \$100.00, a \$2 advance, and over \$100.00, a \$5.00 advance.

No unlimited bids. OR bids are accepted. In case of tie bids, the first bid received will be accepted. Cash deposits not required. All single perfins are complete and in good condition unless otherwise specified. Straightedges (natural) are not considered damage. In larger lots or mixes, incomplete patterns, split patterns, and duplication are to be expected. All lots returnable if not as described, EXCEPT, larger lots or mixes. Lots must be paid for or returned within THREE (3) days of receipt. BID by lot number.

Abbreviations used in this auction:

ADD-All Different Dies      DDF-Different Die &/or Face  
 QNTY-Quantity              MDD-Mostly Different Dies  
 MB-Minimum Bid            EST-Estimate  
 ID-Identification          Pat-Pattern              Nat-Natural  
 Preper-Precanceled perfin    Entire-cover including letter

1h, 2h, etc.=Number of holes missing in pattern.

SE (L/R/T/B)-Straightedge (Left/Right/Top/Bottom). Natural SE's will be noted as such and are not considered "damaged".

( )-in QNTY column = number of damaged stamps in the lot.

Perf faults - Any of a number of different faults relating to the perforations (pulled perfs, thinned perfs, blunt perfs, etc.).

(?)-indicates the column data it is next to, is in question.

Please send bids to: Joe Coulbourne  
 705 Prince Allen Court  
 Virginia Beach, VA 23454  
 Telephone: 804-425-2290

FOREIGN STAMPS AND MIXES

Lot	Description	Qty
<b>ARGENTINA</b>		
1	Mix. 3 ADD, 9 DDF.	12(7)
2	Mix. 16 ADD, many multiples.	84(20)
<b>AUSTRALIA</b>		
3	Mix. 9 ADD, most DDF (6 private dies). Lt dup.	33(2)
4	Mix. All officials (mainly VG).	43(13)
<b>AUSTRIA</b>		
5	Mix. 11 ADD.	11(6)
<b>BAVARIA</b>		
6	Mix. 7 ADD, 16 DDF.	16(6)
7	Mix. Pat E1 (E). 9 DDF. Values to 50pf.	103(15)
<b>BELGIUM</b>		
8	Pat E47 (EO) on #111. Pretty.	1
9	Mix. 11 ADD.	11(50)
10	Mix. 60 ADD (1 pair). Nice lot!	61(20)
11	Mix. Many DDF. Lt dup.	101(36)
<b>BULGARIA</b>		
12	Pat 3 bHb (mirror pair) on #653. Nice item.	2
<b>CANADA</b>		
Rarity note: F=301-1000; G=1001-3000		
13	Pat O11 (OHN) on #145. Rarity G. Est-\$15.	1
14	Pat M5 (M(C/C)) on #104. Nat SET. Rarity F. Est-\$2.	1
15	Pat M22 (MR/MC) on #MR4. Rarity G. Est-\$1	1
16	Mix. 3 ADD, 6 DDF.	6(3)
17	Mix. Many DDF. Dup (heavy on CPR).	202(49)
18	Mix. 25 ADD. Heavy dup on a few pats (BT & MLI/CO). Damage is my estimate (25%).	477(120)
<b>CEYLON</b>		
19	Pat C1 (CBI) on #234. Partial (no L).	1
20	Pat D5 (DF/&CO) on #231. Pulled corner perf.	1(1)
21	Pat G3 (GG/C) on #231. Fairly scarce.	1
<b>COLOMBIA</b>		
22	Pat A2 (B/AA) on #400. Partial (3h).	1
<b>CUBA</b>		
23	Pat A6 (EL/SOL) on #265. Nat SER.	1
24	Pat A12 (NCB) on #265. Split pat.	1

25	Mix. 7 ADD.	7(3)
<b>DENMARK</b>		
26	Pat J16 (J.J.) on #145. 1h. Cat \$5.00.	1
27	Des 7 (triangle lg holes) on #B147. Perf flts,toning	1(1)
28	Des 12 (5pt star) on #87.	1
29	Mix. 7 ADD, 8 DDF.	8(4)
30	Mix. 15 ADD.	15(6)
31	Mix. 39 ADD (2 pairs). Nice mix!	41(5)
32	Mix. Most DDF. Lt dup.	71(18)
<b>EGYPT</b>		
33	AB/E on #68. Pat at edge of stamp.	1
34	CL/A on #96.	1
35	OB on #139. Sm tear.	1(1)
36	TC/&S on #139. Split pat.	1
<b>FOREIGN</b>		
37	Mix. 15 ADD, 9 countries (no GB).	16(7)
38	Mix. 39 ADD, 10 countries.	39(10)
<b>FRANCE</b>		
39	Pat JA4 (JA) on #100. Rarity factor 5.	1
40	Mix. 10 ADD.	13(6)
41	Mix. 41 ADD, lt dup.	72(28)
42	Mix. Most DDF. Lt dup.	103(39)
43	Mix. 170 DDF (2 pairs). Nice mix!	172(59)
<b>GERMANY</b>		
44	ALLIANZ on #142. Complete strike! Pretty!	1
45	ALLIANZ on #142. Complete strike! Pretty!	1
46	WOLFF on #91 (pair). Complete strike across 2 stamps.	2
47	Mix. 9 ADD.	9(2)
48	Mix. Many DDF. Lt duplication.	133(60)
<b>GREAT BRITAIN</b>		
49	Pat B0410.12 (BB) on #139. 1h,clipped left,cat \$25,MB-\$3	1(1)
50	Pat D0010.02M (D) on #251,perf flts,cat \$10,MB-\$2	1(1)
51	Pat D3110.03 (DM) on #186,lg thin,cat \$6.50	1(1)
52	Pat H6420.01 (HSB) on #108. Pulled cnr perf,1h,\$60 cat.	1(1)
53	Pat J4140.01 (J.LL.) on #251. Poorly punched. MB-\$2	1
54	Pat M0010.01 (M) on #251. 2 holes. MB-\$2	1(1)
55	Pat W3560.02 (WH/COL) on #251. 1 pulled perf. MB-\$2	1(1)
56	Mix. 3 ADD security overprints. Machin 2d.	3(2)
57	Mix. 33 ADD. All reigns, mainly QEII.	33(5)
58	Mix. 30 DDF Machins with PAC. Values to 50p.	53(6)
59	Mix. QV-QEII (mostly KGVI-QEII).	91(23)
60	Mix. 230 Machins on paper. Many with readable CDS. 27 ADD with much PAC duplication. 10% damage estimate.	230(23)
61	Mix. QV-QEII. Many diff dies. Good range of values and reigns. Duplication. Nice mix!	256(67)
62	Mix. All reigns-mostly Kings. Many diff dies. Dup.	329(154)
63	Mix. QV-KGVI. Values to 2/6. Nice range of values with light duplication. Many ADD-good mix! 25% damage estimate used. THIS is a very nice mix with hours of fun.	631(157)
64	Mix. QEII only. Values to 5/- or LL.00. Many ADD. Nice mix. Damage estimate is 15%. Recommended.	842(125)

One Man's Collection of Great Britain. Bidders are invited to bid on the whole collection by making a bid on lot #65 or on individual lots. The collection will be sold as a "whole collection" unless the bids for the individual groupings of letters exceed the bid for the entire collection. This is a very nice collection with perfins from Penny Reds to QEII. Very nice spread of values including many high values from Victoria to QEII. Very little duplication throughout with a number of scarce patterns noted. The stamps are sorted by pattern in small Vario style display envelopes. This is a nice collection representing 1/10 th of all known patterns in GB.

Letter(s)	ADD	DDF	Total Stamps	
65	Entire Collection	2968	3899	3946
66	A	139	163	171
67	B	241	320	323
68	C	285	387	393
69	D	107	147	150
70	E	97	128	131
71	F	80	99	99
72	G	125	170	171
73	H	212	301	302

74	I	37	52	52
75	J	193	239	240
76	K	62	86	87
77	L	159	208	210
78	M	146	185	185
79	N	93	111	116
80	O	44	54	54
81	P	137	194	194
82	Q,U,V,Y,Z	70	87	87
83	R	114	145	145
84	S	256	324	324
85	T	123	146	146
86	W	199	263	267
87	Des.No,Rev,Misc	49	80	89

HONG KONG

88 S.&CO. on #125. Center of ampersand missing. 1(1)

INDIA

89 Mix. 6 ADD. 9 DDF. 9(3)

IRELAND

90 Pat C15 (C.I.E.) on #109. 1

91 Pat G22 (GS/WR) on #109. 1

92 Pat L18 (LSS/CO) on #114. Perf flts. 1(1)

93 Mix. 16 ADD, few commemoratives. Dup. 63(5)

94 Mix. Few pairs, strip & block. Duplication. 126(23)

ITALY

95 Mix. Most DDF. Few pairs + block of 6. Nice mix! 136(26)

JAMAICA

96 Mix. 10 diff issues on Pat A2 (UFC(O)). Values to 2/-. 10

JAPAN

97 Mix. All are pat A/T/C. 11 diff face (3 pairs). 39(14)

MALAYA

98 Pat C4 (CBI) on #62. Rarity D (51-150 known). 1

NETHERLANDS

99 Mix. 10 ADD. 10(5)

100 Mix. 13 ADD, 22 DDF. 23(7)

101 Mix. 50 ADD. 50(20)

102 Mix. Most DDF, lt dup. 57(19)

NETHERLANDS ANTILLES - CURACAO

103 Pat M8 (MB) on #135. Split pat. 1

NEW SOUTH WALES

104 OS/NSW on #111. 1

NORWAY

105 S on #128. (lg S - 11 holes). 1

PORTUGAL

106 Pat B18 (B.N.U.) on #C9. Wrinkles. 1(1)

107 Mix. 3 ADD. 9 DDF. 9(1)

108 Mix. 14 ADD. 14(3)

109 Mix. Many DDF, Lovely block of 20 (CPRM). Nice mix! 84(9)

QUEENSLAND

110 Mix. 23 MDD. (surprise included). Nice mix! 23(4)

ROMANIA

111 Pat U1(?) on #119. Pulled corner perf. Partial pat. 1(1)

SOUTH AFRICA

112 Pat B14 (BML) on #25 (pair). Nice item. Cat \$8.25 2

SPAIN

113 Mix. 6 ADD. 6(1)

114 Mix. 20 ADD. 20(8)

115 Mix. Most DDF, lt dup. 50(12)

SWITZERLAND

116 Mix. 20 ADD on letter B-D issues. Nice lot! 20(4)

117 Mix. Most DDF, lt dup. 34(15)

118 Mix. 38 ADD (1 pair). 39(16)

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

119 Pat GDCOP.1 (GDCO/P) on #65. 1

FOREIGN COVERS

Lot DESCRIPTION EST

120 Belgium picture postcard. 1OCT1917. Pat R25 (R&C) on #85. ID is handwritten as part of the message, "SS Trinity, C/O Ruys & Co, Shipping Agents, Antwerp." CDS is an ANVERS DEPART. Picture is of Mustapha - Rue Michelet (street scene) and message speaks of receiving a letter in Algiers - this card probably posted abroad. Nice card. Unusual origin. \$6.00

121 Germany cover. 13SEP1952. POL on #675 & 679. Added small blue & white Notopfer/2 Berlin/Steuermarke stamp tied on front (non-perfin). ID of Die Polizei-Behörde der Stadt Essen, Der Chef der Polizei, (22a) Essen on front. 7" x 10". Nice cover! Clean! \$12.00  
Great Britain

122 Tradecard. 27JAN1920. Pat A3840.01 (A&M) on #159. ID of Alley Maclellan. Limited, Sentinel Works, Polmadie, Glasgow on reverse. 1h. This is a new ID card! Glasgow roller cancel. Very nice card. Clean. \$10.00

123 Memorandum of agreement between the Anglo-Saxon Petroleum Co, Ltd and Mr. Alfred Foien, Petrolia, ONT, Canada. 24SEP1912. Pat A5180.02 (AS/PCO) on #135a. 1h. This lot includes the 1925 income tax return of Mr. Foien too (non-stamp item). Interesting lot. Clean and unusual. Huge item. \$7.50

124 Censored cover. 29JUL1942. Pat B0730.02aM (BBK) on #263 & 248(partial). No ID but known to be Barclays Bank, Ltd. Sent to USA. 5" x 6". 1h. Clean item. \$1.00

125 Censored cover. 25SEP1943. Pat B1910.01M (BD) on #263 (pair & strip of 3; 3 stamps damaged). ID of Brooker, Dore & Co. Ltd, 5 Fenchurch St, EC3 on back. 3 1/2" x 6". Sent to USA. Nice \$2.50

126 Cover. Undated. Pat B2140.02 (BD/LD) on #235. No ID but known to be Business Directories Ltd. Sent to USA. Cancel is an "F.S" in a triangle (black). 3 1/2" x 6". Clean. \$1.00

127 Tradecard. 14APR1930. Pat B4930.01 (B&M/LTD) on #187. ID of Belliss & Morcom, Limited, Ledsam Street Works, Birmingham on back. Very clean, nice item. \$5.00

128 Censored cover. 3JAN1942. Pat B6360.03M (BS) on #262. ID of British & Foreign Bible Society, 146 Queen Victoria Street, London, EC4 handstamped on back. 4" x 9". Clean. Sent to USA. \$3.00

129 Cover. 17FEB1933. Pat C5800.02 (CP) on #189. No ID but known to be Clarendon Press Warehouse, London. Coat of arms on back (3 crowns/open book). Slogan cancel (British Industries Fair). 3" x 5". Sent to USA. Clean cover. \$1.50

130 Cover. 22OCT194?. Pat C8510.03 (CWS) on #262. No ID but known to be Co-op Wholesale Society Ltd. Slogan cancel. 3 1/2" x 5 1/4". Mailed to Robert Hutton (at Warner Bros Pictures Inc) in USA. Cover opened roughly at top, but still presentable. \$1.00

131 Tradecard. 14JUN1912. Pat D3120.02 (D.M) on #153. ID of Dempster, Moore & Co Ltd, 49 Robertson Street, Glasgow on back. Nice item in good shape. 6h. \$5.00

132 Cover. 17FEB1947. Pat F0010.01M (F) on #262. No ID (10 different users known). Mailed to O. Clark (at Warner Bros Pictures Inc) in USA. 3 3/4" x 4 3/4". Clean. \$1.00

133 Picture post card. 17APR1904. Pat F1490.01 (FF/L) on #127. No ID (in cat either). Pmk of Colchester. Picture of High Tor, Miller's Dale. Clean and pretty. \$2.00

134 Tradecard. 3JUN1929. Pat G0190.03 (GA/&S) on #188. ID of Geo. Adlam & Sons, Ltd, Bristol on back. 2h. Card & stamp are creased but look ok. \$2.50

135 Picture post card. 16DEC1912. Pat H0530.07 (HB/&CO) on #153. No ID (in cat either). Rotherh??? CDS. Many happy returns card (basket & flowers). Lovely card. \$2.00

136 Cover. 17JUL1958. Pat H1530.03M (H/&CO) on #358 (pair). No ID (8 different users known). Sent to USA. 4 1/4" x 5 1/4". Clean card, very presentable. \$0.75

137 Tradecard. 31MAY1919. Pat J6480.01a (JR/&CO.) on #159. Poorly punched - 2h. ID of John Russell & Co, Ltd, Walsall on back. Printed Paper Rate handstamped on front. Walsall roller cancel. Card is dirty looking and nicked/torn on bottom 1/3. \$2.00

138 Tradecard. 4MAY1920. Pat L1850.02 (LE/F) on #160. ID of The London Electric Firm, Brighton Road, Croydon on back. Nice card - very clean. \$5.00




139 Censored cover. 24NOV1942. Pat M0010.01M (M) on #262. No ID (26 users known). Sent to USA. 4" x 6 1/2". Clean. \$1.25

140 Cover. 10MAR1936. Pat M0010.13 (M) on #212. No ID but known to be Horace Marshall & Sons Ltd. Sent to Miss SHIRLEY TEMPLE! at 20th Century Fox Studios in the USA. 3 3/4" x 4 3/4". Clean. \$10.00




141 Tradecard. 15OCT1918. Pat M0170.02 (MA/COLD) on #159. ID of Manlove, Alliot & Co, Ltd, Nottingham on back. 4h. Nottingham roller cancel. Clean card. \$5.00

MALAY, ASIA, OCEANIC ISLANDS




FEDERATED MALAY STATES

B&Co		CBI			STC
A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	A6

MALAYA FEDERATION




SIO			LYS		
A7	A8		A1	C1	C2

MALAYSIA


COP	LYS				
A1	A2	B1	C1	C2	

KELANTAN

MALACCA

					
A1			B1	C1	

PENANG (PULAU PINANG)

LYS		MCP			
A1	C1	C2			

#### IV MALAY-ASIA, OCEANIC ISLANDS



	COMPANY	LOCATION
<b>PERAK</b>		
A1	Asiatic Petroleum Co.	Singapore
A2	Boustead & Co., Ltd.	Ipoh, Tumpat
A3	Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corp.	Malacca, Penang, Singapore
A4		Ipoh
<b>SELANGOR</b>		
A1	Asiatic Petroleum Co.	Singapore
A2	Boustead & Co.	Kuala Lumpur, Port Sweetenham
A3	Boustead & Co. Ltd.	Ipoh, Tumpat
A4	Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China	Kuala Lumpur
A5	Huttenbach Bros.	Singapore
A6	Huttenbach Bros.	Kuala Lumpur
A7	Oriental Insurance Co.	Kuala Lumpur
<b>SINGAPORE</b>		
A1	Great Eastern Life Assurance Co.	Singapore
A2	Shell Oil Company	Singapore
A3	Singapore Improvement Trust	Singapore
B1	Singapore Municipal Commissioners	Singapore
B2		Singapore
C1	Singapore Municipal Commissioners	Singapore

NOTES:





1. Die varieties exist on type A1 of Perak and Selangor.
2. Die Varieties exist on type A2 of Perak and on type A3 of Selangor.
3. See other Malay States for similar perfin types.

MALAY-ASIA, OCEANIC ISLANDS


PERAK

APC		HS/BC			
A1	A2	A3	A4		




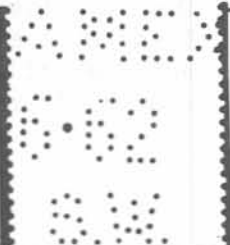

SELANGOR

AFC			CB1		
A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	A6

SELANGOR

					
A7					

SINGAPORE

		SIT			
A1	A2	A3	B1	B2	C1


#### IV MALAY-ASIA, OCEANIC ISLANDS

COMPANY		LOCATION
STRAITS SETTLEMENTS		
A1	A. Clouert & Co.	Singapore
A2	Adamson, Gilfillan & Co.	Singapore
A3	Adamson, Gilfillan & Co. Ltd.	Singapore
A4	Asiatic Petroleum Co.	Singapore
A5	Asiatic Petroleum Co.	Singapore
A6	Asiatic Petroleum Co.	Singapore
A7	Boustead & Co.	Penang
A8	Boustead & Co.	Singapore
A9	Boustead & Co.	Penang
A10	S. Barlow & Co.	Singapore
A11	Borneo Co., Ltd.	Singapore
A12	Boyd & Kaye	Singapore
A13	Behn, Mayer & Co.	Singapore
A14	Behn, Mayer & Co.	Singapore
A15	Behn, Mayer & Co.	Singapore
A16	Borneo, Sumatra Trading Co.	Singapore
A17	Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China	Singapore
A18	Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China	Singapore
A19	Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China	Singapore
A20	Cadonau & Co.	Singapore
A21	Cadonau & Co.	Singapore
A22	Deutsche Asiatische Bank	Singapore
A23	D. Brandt & Co.	Singapore
A24	East Asiatic Company	Singapore
A25	Eastern Smelting Co., Ltd.	Penang
A26	Fraser & Co.	Singapore
A27	Fraser & Neave	Singapore
A28	Guthrie & Co.	Singapore
A29	Guthrie & Co., Ltd.	Penang
A30	Great Eastern Life Assurance Co.	Singapore

NOTES:

1. Die varieties exist for types A5 and A18.
2. To date, eleven listed commercial perfin types and one official perfin can be found on the stamps of other Malay States.



- 142 Censored cover. 14DEC1942. Pat M0360.01M (MB) on #262. ID of Midland Bank Limited, Overseas Branch, 122 Old Broad Street, London EC2 on front & back. Cover is ratty along the top edge but still presentable. Sent to USA. 5 1/2" x 7 1/2". \$3.00
- 143 Cover. 15JUN1922. Pat M5860.01 (M.V/CO.) on #161. ID of Metropolitan Vickers Electrical Co Ltd, Trafford Park, Manchester on front. Sent to USA. 4" x 6 1/4". Roughly opened at top, still nice looking though. \$4.00
- 144 Cover. 4JUL1931. Pat N0510.04 (NC) on #187 & 188. No ID but known to be Nottingham Corporation. Sent to USA. Strange discoloration along top 1/3 (stamps ok). 3 1/2" x 6". \$1.00
- 145 Tradecard. 29AUG1919. Pat N0540.01 (N&C) on #160 (partial pattern). ID of Nicholls & Clarke Ltd, Shoreditch, London on back. London roller cancel. 2h. \$2.50
- 146 Censored cover. 6MARI942. Pat P0120.01M (PAC) on #258 (1h) & 263 (damaged). ID of The Prudential Assurance Co Ltd embossed on back. Sent to USA. 5" x 7". Wear along edges. \$1.00
- 147 Cover. 9JUN1966. Pat R3660.01 (RN) on #368. No ID (but known to be Rubenstein Nash & Co). 3 1/2" x 6". Clean. \$1.50
- 148 Cover. 4APR1947. Pat S0010.04M (S) on #262. No ID (probably Swan Hunter & Wigham Richardson Ltd, Wallsend-on-Tyne). Sent to JOAN CRAWFORD at Warner Bros Pictures Ltd in the USA. Wallsend roller cancel. 3 1/2" x 4 3/4" (reduced at top). Cover still looks ok and is presentable. \$8.00
- 149 Cover. 11APR1939. Pat S4770.01M (SM) on #239 (damaged). No ID (in cat either). London pmk. 4 1/4" x 5 1/2". Wear along edges. Ancillary markings of "Foreign Letter Package, Collect 10 Cents, for Customs Clearance, Postage-due stamps to be affixed & canceled. Chicago, Ill. For. Sec." and a boxed "Passed Free, U.S. Customs, At Seattle, Washington." with a US postage due J84 on front. Presentable. Nice markings. \$6.00
- 150 Picture post card. 2OCT1902. Pat S4790.03 (S&M) on #127. No ID (in cat either). Glasgow pmk. Picture is of the Glasgow University. Clean card. \$2.00
- 151 Censored cover. 24SEP1942. NEW PATTERN! (TC) on #248 & 263. ID of Thos. Cook & Son Ltd, Head Office, Berkeley Street, Piccadilly, London W1. on front. Additional boxed ad of "Whenever and wherever you travel, use, Cook's Traveler's Cheques" on front. Handwritten notation of "N.A.A.S." on front (North Atlantic Airmail Service). Sent to USA. 3 1/2" x 6". Very nice item! \$20.00
- 152 Censored cover. 4APR1941. Pat W0010.01 (W) on #249. ID of J. Wippell & Co Ltd, Exeter embossed on back flap. This is a NEW USER ID cover! 3 1/2" x 6". Clean cover. \$10.00
- 153 Cover. 30JUL1957. Pat W2040.02M (WD/&S) on #319. ID of Wm. Dawson & Sons Ltd, 4 Duke Street, Manchester Square, London W1 on back flap. Sent to USA. Has a hour receiving mark (clock shaped) on front. 3 1/2" x 6". Clean cover. \$5.00
- 154 Cover. 6JUN1907. Pat W2040.03 (WD/&S) on #128 (damaged). ID of Wm. Dawson & Sons Ltd, Cannon House Brems BDS on front in a pretty multicolor logo. London roller cancel. 4" x 6". Sent to Victoria, British Columbia, Canada with Victoria receiving mark on back. Wear along top edge. Still pretty. \$4.00
- 155 Cover. 10AUG1935. Pat W3820.01 (WH/S) on #212 (clipped perfs at left). ID of W. Heffer & Sons Ltd, Cambridge England on front. POKO pattern!. Trademark on back. 4" x 6". Wear along top and right edges. Still nice looking. \$7.00
- 156 Cover. 20AUG1935. Pat W3820.01 (WH/S) on #212. ID of W. Heffer & Sons Ltd, Cambridge England on front. Mailed to USA. POKO pattern!. Trademark on back. 5" x 6". Roughly opened at top. Still looks ok. \$7.00
- 157 Tradecard. 17JUN1918. Pat W4930.02 (W/L) on #160. ID of W.H. Willcox & Co Ltd, 38 Southwark Street, London, SE1 on back. London SE1 roller cancel. Nice card. \$5.00
- 158 Censored cover. 27JUN1941. Pat W4980.03 (WLD) on #236, 238 & 248 (damaged). ID of Wolsey Ltd, Leicester, England on back flap. Pattern is poorly punched and missing many holes (all 3 stamps). "Per North Atlantic Air Service" typed across front. 3 1/2" x 6". Nice looking cover. \$3.00
- 159 Tradecard. 20MAY1919. Design 0410.01 (crown) on #159. ID of James Russell & Sons Ltd, Wednesbury on back. Printed matter rate. Nice card. \$10.00

- 160 New Zealand cover. 27DEC1990. NZ/1990 on #980. ID of New Zealand Philatelic Federation, P.O. Box 786, Palmerston North, New Zealand on front. 4 1/2" x 9". Clean cover. \$6.00

US STAMPS

<u>Lot</u>	<u>Pat</u>	<u>Scott#</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Notes:</u>
161	A5	637	B	
162	A6	641	C	
163	A6	700	C	
164	A117	332(?)	C	
165	B23	510	C	Thin
166	B143	632	C	
167	B144	640	B	Clipped at top
168	B144	640	B	
169	B222.5	831	C	Block of 6 (2 ok, 4 damaged)
170	B235.5	418	C	1h
171	C110	634	C	
172	C158	709	C	Thin, wrinkled
173	C183	684	C	Perf flts
174	C221	376	C	Split
175	C247	516	B	PRETTY!
176	C358	377	C	Perf flts, crease
177	E130	641	B	
178	F35	807	C	Corner creases
179	G93	499	C	Thin, creases, Nat SEL
180	G168	634	C	Creased
181	G201	807	C	
182	G201	811	C	
183	H26	499	C	
184	H92	543	C	Perf flts
185	H184	C5	E	Nat SEL, few blunt perfs, looks ok
186	I62	807	C	Perf flts
187	I105	406	C	Sm tear, crease
188	J96.5-1	693	B	Block of 4, all damaged (2 severely)
189	J96.5-1	807	B	Block of 6, 2 stamps damaged, 4 ok
190	J136	406	B	Sm tear
191	L76	523	E	Partial, <u>Cat value \$200.00!</u>
192	L133	332	C	Perf flts, nat SET
193	N32	422(?)	C	
194	N32	427	C	1h
195	N32	438	C	Crease, toning
196	N76	332(?)	C	
197	N76	375(?)	C	Perf flts, Nat SEL
198	N132	554	C	Lg thin, perf flts, nat SET
199	N132	581	C	Crease
200	N141	554	C	Perf flts
201	N141	583	C	
202	P2	692	C	
203	P2	692	C	Clipped at bottom
204	P26	560	C	
205	P55-11	720	CY	Face scuff, Balt MD preper
206	P217	1213	C	
207	P218	1035	C	
208	Q9	406	C	
209	R103	332	C	Nat SET
210	R111	776	C	Pair (1 ok, 1 damaged)
211	S2-24	640	C	Crease
212	S79	499	C	Few blunt perfs
213	S94	406	C	
214	S144.5	335	A	Corner torn away. SCARCE!
215	S195-42	638	B	
216	S195-42	641	B	Pair
217	S247	C60	C	
218	S268	526(?)	C	1h, crease, thin, face scuff, nat SET
219	S336	696	C	Wrinkled
220	T60	406	C	
221	U40	566	C	
222	W1	814	C	
223	W72-41	525	CX	1h. Omaha, NE preper style 204
224	W78	820	C	
225	W199.5	893	C	Perf flts
226	Sch 42	344	N	Schermack. Thin.

US REVENUES

Lot	Description	QNTY
227	Mix. Most are stock transfer stamps.	81(11)

US MIXES AND ODD LOTS

Lot	Description	QNTY
228	Mix. 12 ADD D rated stamps.	12(4)
229	Mix. 19 ADD D rated stamps.	19(8)
230	Mix. 20 ADD C rated stamps. Nice mix!	20(3)
231	Mix. 34 ADD. All prepers.	34(9)
232	Mix. Comms,airs,SD.	67(23)
233	Mix. 100 ADD. Values to \$1.00.	101(31)
234	Mix. Comms,airs,SD, few pairs. Nice lot!	111(15)
235	Mix. 120 D rated. Lt dup (includes pairs). Nice mix!	120(16)
236	Mix. 150 ADD (D-F rated), values to \$1, nice mix.	150(36)
237	Mix. Nice selection (labels-3;locals-3;SD-1;PP-2;comms-18;airs-5; prepers-30;revs-86(incl 3 documents);defs-268;foreign-21(5 countries). Very nice mix! Values to \$1 with strips, blocks, pairs. RECOMMENDED!	439(72)
238	<u>10 OZ on/off paper</u> (mostly on). Huge lot of mostly modern day perfins. Many dollar values (#1610) in blocks and large strips. Many are from the Americana series. Doesn't appear to be many patterns but there are a lot of face different stamps in the bunch. Got to be at least 1000 to 1500 perfins here. Damage count is probably around 10% and the mix looks pretty good. Surely worth \$75-\$100. 1000++	
239	<u>CIGAR BOX FULL!</u> Not a small cigar box either. Must be at least 4000 or 5000 perfins here. Days of fun here. Looks to be pretty clean material. Should be at least worth \$200.	4-5000

US COVERS

Lot	Description	EST
240	<u>Cover. 21SEP 1936. Pat E93 (EPC) on #634 (2 stamps, 1 damaged). ID of the Eagle Pencil Company, 703 East 13th Street, New York, NY on front with pretty eagle logo. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". E rated. Nice cover.</u>	<u>\$3.00</u>
241	<u>Cover. 7JUN1909. Pat G73 (GEB) on #344 (nat SER). ID of German Exchange Bank, New York, NY on front. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Clean cover. Nice item. C rated.</u>	<u>\$6.00</u>
242	<u>Cover. 10AUG1945. Pat H103 (HLM/CO) on #905. Id of Hoffman Lion Mills Company, Inc, 785 Broadway, New York City on front. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". D rated. Clean (window envelope).</u>	<u>\$3.50</u>
243	<u>Cover. 23NOV1909. Pat I93 (IS/CO) on #332. ID of The Illinois Seed Co, 1521-1535 Johnson Street, Chicago on front. Partial pat - just off at top of pat. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". B rated. Cover opened roughly at top. Scarce - nice item.</u>	<u>\$15.00</u>
244	<u>Tradecard. 3JUL1909. Pat J146 (JS/CO) on #331. ID of Johnson Service Company with a preprinted ad on front. Picture side is of The Appellate Court Building in New York City. B rated. Nice card with a scarce pattern.</u>	<u>\$15.00</u>
245	<u>Cover. 22AUG1918. Pat N11 (NA) on #530. ID of The Northern Assurance Company Limited of London, Eastern and Southern Departments, No. 55 John Street, New York on front with company logo. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". D rated. Clean item.</u>	<u>\$3.50</u>
246	<u>Cover. 9JAN1915. Pat N22 (NA/SM) on #425. ID of Holland-America Line, General Passenger Office, 24 State Street, New York with pretty green &amp; black company flag on front. C rated. Pattern is missing 10 holes. Cover reduced at right. 3 1/2" x 6". Looks OK. Doodling in pen on back.</u>	<u>\$3.50</u>
247	<u>Cover. 7JAN1910. Pat N76 (NE/T&amp;T) on #332. ID of The Southern Massachusetts Telephone Company and their logo on front. Pretty flag cancel. C rated. Stamp has Nat SEL. This is a new user (not listed in catalog?). 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Clean cover. Flap missing (doesn't detract).</u>	<u>\$8.00</u>
248	<u>Cover. 1DEC1945. Pat N151 (NS/CO) on #935. ID of N. Shure Co, 200-206 W. Adams Street, Chicago, Ill on front with picture of the company building. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". E rated. Clean.</u>	<u>\$3.00</u>
249	<u>Cover. 22NOV1915. Pat O34 (OHIO) on #425. Pattern is a partial. ID of The Standard Oil Company (Dayton OH office). Additional slogan ad on front reading "The Rayo Lamp, The Ideal Light for the Home". C rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Clean cover.</u>	<u>\$3.00</u>

250	<u>Self-addressed cover. Unused. Pat P159 (POC) on #463(?). ID (address) of People's Outfitting Co., West Grand Boulevard, Vinewood Ave., E St. and Michigan Central R.R., Detroit, Michigan on front. C rating. Pattern just off at left. 3 1/2" x 6". This is a new ID cover (user not listed in catalog). Clean cover.</u>	<u>\$7.50</u>
251	<u>Entire. 9MAR1915. Pat R87.5 (RIC(O)/LD) on #406. ID of Royal Insurance Company, Limited, Royal Insurance Building, 84 William Street, New York on front. Letter to agent inside (bank draft). C rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Clean cover.</u>	<u>\$6.00</u>
252	<u>Cover. 8OCT1913. Pat S70 (SCC(O)) on #406 (Nat SER). ID of Simpson-Crawford Co, New York on front with picture of building. D rated perfin. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Cover is ragged around the edges and has been cut down at the left. Grubby.</u>	<u>\$0.50</u>
253	<u>Picture postcard. 18AUG1910. Pat S133 (SG/&amp;CO) on #331. No ID but known to be Smith Gray &amp; Co (NYC). Picture is of a River View, Alexandria Bay, N.Y. - The hub of the 1000 Islands. Card was a complimentary card of the New Marsden House. Nice item showing a little wear around the edges - scarce pattern.</u>	<u>\$10.00</u>
254	<u>Cover. 9APR1912. Pat T1 (T) on #375. ID of J.M. Thorburn &amp; Co, 33 Barclay Street through to 38 Park Place, New York on front. Trademark on back flap. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". C rated. Blue cover, clean and presentable.</u>	<u>\$5.00</u>
255	<u>Tradecard. 29APR1918. Pat T117 (T&amp;B) on #498 with a nonperfin #498 also. Nat SER. ID of Tillmann &amp; Bendel, Market, Pine and Davis Streets, San Francisco, CAL on front with picture of a can of "Golden Star Apricots held in a hand with a star in the background" and other ad slogans. Back of card appears to be a blotter. Clean card (doodling on blotter side). C rated.</u>	<u>\$6.00</u>
256	<u>Cover. 6AUG1909. Pat V22 (V(P)) on #332. ID of H.T. Schlegel Co., Peoria, ILL. on front. Cover is reduced at right and the stamp has a few perforations trimmed as a result and perf fits due to its placement on the envelope - pattern OK. Receiving mark on back. C rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Early cover.</u>	<u>\$2.00</u>
257	<u>Tradecard. 16MAY1910. Pat W125 (W/MA) on #331. ID of Head Clerk, M.W. of A., Lincoln Nebr. Photo side is a picture of the "office of J.G. Ray, Secretary to Head Consul, M.W. Of A., Lincoln, Nebr." and has the logo of MWofA on the window. Stamp has a Nat SEL. C rated. Nice item.</u>	<u>\$6.50</u>
258	<u>Registered cover. 1JUL1932. Pat W138 (WN/B) on #697, ID of The First Wisconsin National Bank, Milwaukee, Wis on front. Preprinted registered mail markings (PO only has to add the #). Receiving marks and a partial wax seal on back. E rated. 4" x 7". Nice item.</u>	<u>\$3.50</u>
259	<u>Cover. 24APR1909. Pat W158 (W(PC)) on #332. ID of West Publishing Co., National Reporter System, St. Paul, Minn. on front. Receiving mark on back. C rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Clean early cover. Nice item.</u>	<u>\$7.00</u>
260	<u>Cover. 25DEC1970. Design 46 (trophy) on #1401. ID of Trophy Brand Nuts on front. This is a first day of use cover for the perfin pattern and there is a nice cachet on the cover with a representation of the perfin pattern and company logo. D rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Clean.</u>	<u>\$3.00</u>
261	<u>Cover. 25DEC1970. Identical to lot 260 above.</u>	<u>\$3.00</u>

LOCALS

Lot	Description	Est
262	<u>Cover. Pat K37.5 (KIS/NER) on a \$1 Park Avenue Local Post issue. Cancelled with a 3 line Park Avenue Local Post handstamp. Also cancelled with the letters PALP in a box shaped like a letter. ID of Jacob Kisner, 254 Park Avenue South, Penthouse F, New York, NY 10010 on front with a black &amp; white drawing of him. E rated (US catalog). Vert crease (doesn't affect stamps).</u>	<u>\$4.00</u>

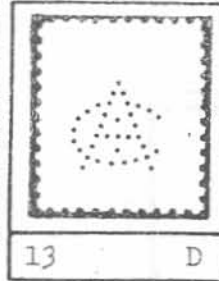
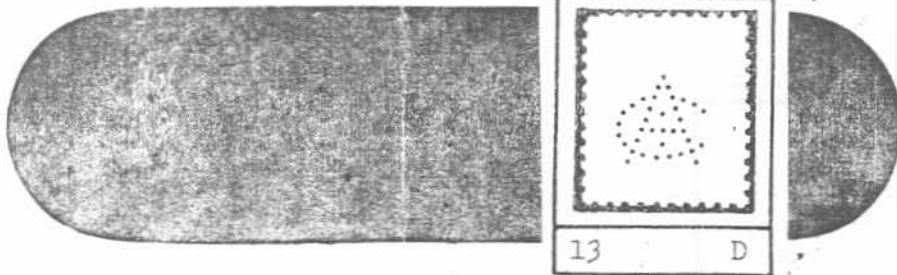
LITERATURE

263	<u>John S. Nelson, The Handbook of British Perfins (2nd Edition). Nice work on GB perfins with much useful reference info. The book is in VF condition.</u>	<u>\$5.00</u>
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St. Louis, Mo.

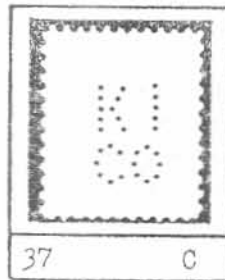
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RETURN IN THREE DAYS TO

Knickerbocker  
**ICE**  
Company

91 BENNINGTON AVE., FREEPORT, N. Y.



### Knickerbocker Ice Company - K37

Ralph W. Smith (LM87)

Here is a cover with perfin pattern K37 bearing the corner card of "The Knickerbocker ICE Compa-

ny" at 91 Bennington Lane, Freeport, NY. Previously unidentified, this October 3, 1932, usage will present a dilemma to the US Catalog Editor.

The corner card gives a Freeport, NY address. The postmark was Mineola. Is this an early example of a prepaid bill return envelope?

DE SYLVA, BROWN and HENDERSON, Inc.

Music Publishers

Robert Crawford  
President  
and General Manager

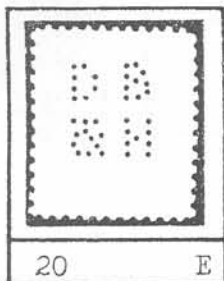
TELEPHONE - CIRCLE 7654

CABLE ADDRESS - DEBROHEN

De Sylva, Brown & Henderson  
Building  
745 SEVENTH AVENUE  
New York



AIR MAIL -- SPECIAL DELIVERY



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DETROIT, MICH.

## D20 - DeSylva, Brown and Henderson, Inc.

Dave Smith (#1514)

The photographically cropped cover shown above identifies the user of perfin pattern D20. It was used by DeSylva, Brown and Henderson, Inc. of New York City.

The corner card provides additional corporate information. DeSylva, Brown and Henderson was located at 745 Seventh Avenue, New York, NY in their own building. The President and General Manager is listed as Robert Crawford. The company published music and along with a telephone number of CIRCLE 7654 its cable address was "DEBROHEN."

A copy has been sent to the US Catalog Editor for his consideration.

## POKOs Additional Follow-Up

Martin O'Grady (#2343)

I have been working with Dr. Frans Rummens, editor of *ASNP Journal and Newsletter* on the

POKO listing. We have added a lot of script to satisfy the Dutch speaking members of the ASNP. There are a number of changes that should be made: a few major changes in the list. Here is a listing of most of those changes that should be added or deleted.

- CSE C. Strauss-Evens, city Amsterdam
- DEB Handel Mij., H. Albert de Bary & Co.
- DM Drogerijen Mij: (Ferati & Van Burgh)
- DT Dagblad "de Telegraf."
- EL N.V. Handel in Electriche Artikelen.  
"Electrolux"
- GvU Questionable POKO. Delete.
- H Firm unknown, city unknown
- HP "Haagsche Post": Weekblad
- KLO Kol and Co. Commissaris in effecten:  
"Banking", Amsterdam
- NOG Levensverzekering, Mij

TD N.V. Oliefabriek T. Duyvis Jz: city, Koog  
aan de Zaan

The major changes are:

- CSE Name and city identified
- DEB Change in name
- GvU Questionable POKO
- H POKO addition
- TD Change in Name, change in city

The underlined portions are the important part. Most all of what Dr. Rummens changed was the construction of the Dutch name. This listing is made up to easily identify the firm name against the POKO letters involved, e.g., IG "Insulinde Gronihgen = IG".

### More on Pacific Coast Coal Company - P43

Jack Brandt (LM14)

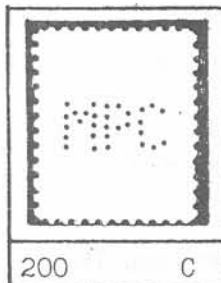
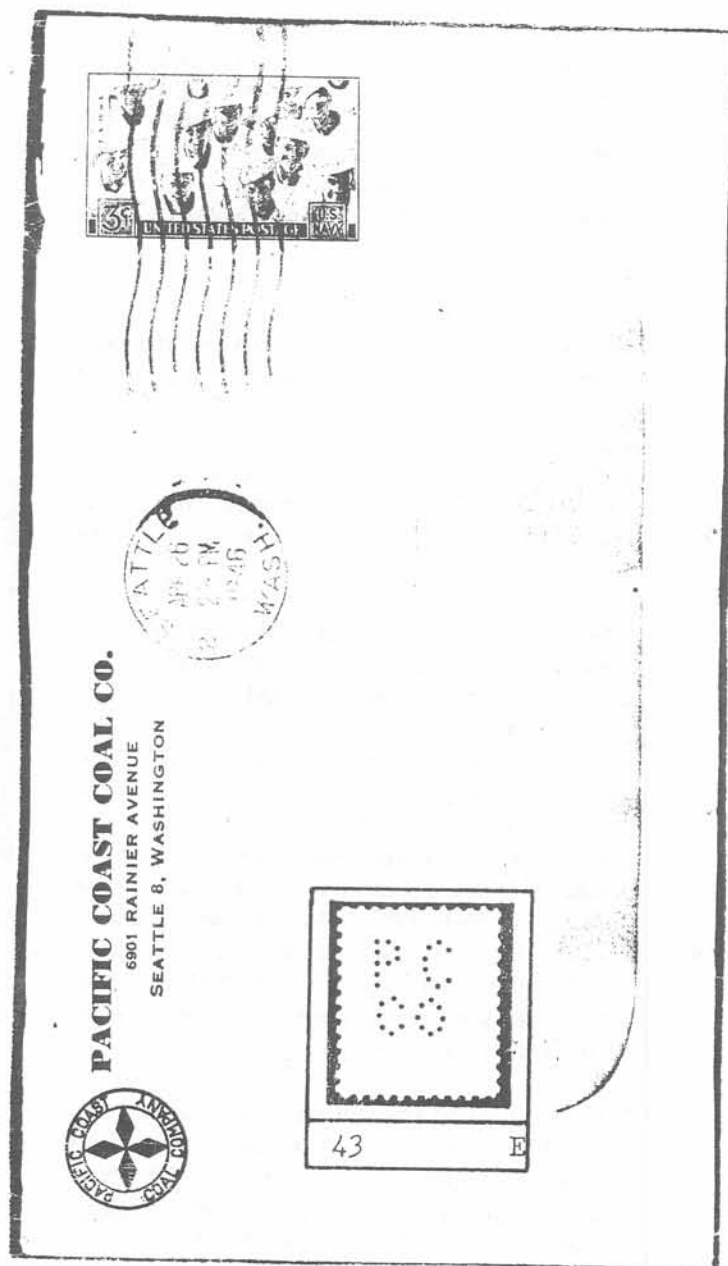
I was happy to see a follow up to Joe Miller's article (January 1993, pp. 12-13) about the Pacific Coast Company in the March 1993 issue (p. 47). I was a little confused by the previous article.

I was not sure if the Seattle cancel was to have been used by the railroad subsidiary or the parent company. I have a cover, shown in the right hand column, from Seattle used by the Coal Company. I expect that tracking the use of perfin by railroads is a great difficulty because the covers are liable to be posted anywhere along the right-of-way. This, no doubt, is the reason why the Club is considering dropping the location for railroad company perfins in the revision of *The Catalog of United States Perfins*.

### Max Pollack & Company - Historic Perspective

William L. Donle, Jr. (#1356)

*The Catalog of United States Perfins* lists perfin pattern M200 as being used by Max Pollack & Company. In the main section, New London, CT is given as the location. However, the supplemental



information section lists Groton, CT as an alternate location. The two cities are less than a mile apart, separated by the Thames River and about five miles by road. I cannot personally confirm the identification or two locations because I do not

have the perfin pattern in my collection.

Max Pollack & Company moved from New York city to the Willimantic, Connecticut area. After a

short stay there, the company moved to Poquonnock Road in Groton in 1921. Pollack was organized as a sales agency in New York City in 1880. The company was a thread manufacturer, taking thread from other spinning mills and finishing it for such uses as automotive upholstery and leather product stitching.

In 1924, Herman Johl was the company's president. He probably gained this position after Max Pollack's death in 1913. Johl remained as president until his death in 1930. Herman's son, Max G. Johl became president and remained so until the company changed hands in 1955. Thread, Inc., a subsidiary of Textiles, Inc. was the purchaser. In 1958, the company moved to Gastonia, NC as a part of the general shift of the textile industry to the South.

Max G. Johl was a noted philatelist and avid collector. He won numerous philatelic awards and accolades. He also was the author of the four volumes, *United States Postage Stamps of the 20th Century* and the two volumes *United States Commemorative Stamps of the 20th Century*. In 1939, he sold a 1901 mint two cents Pan-American Exposition stamp with center inverted for \$1,900.00. At the time, that was a princely sum. Max passed away at the age of 56 in 1957. That was not the end of his philatelic press. The last entry was a sad note. A 1962 newspaper article reported that several juveniles had scattered his stamp collection throughout the vacant Johl estate.

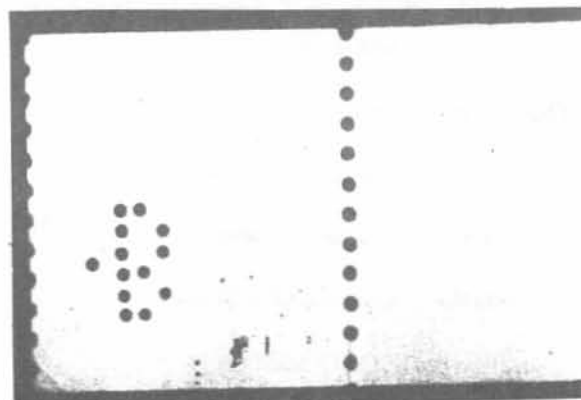
I have not found any indication the company was ever in New London, CT. Groton, CT should be listed as the address of this company. The New London listing should be a supplementary entry. The supplement might point out that the company was located across the river in Groton, but the post office was located in New London.

- References: New London, CT, City Directory, various editions  
Groton, CT City Directory, various editions  
*New London Day*, various editions  
*The New York Times*, various editions

### A Perfin Precancel B From Long Beach, CA

John Lyding (L116)

The pair of precancels shown below present a mystery? The perfin "dot B" in the left hand stamp



is not listed in *The Catalog of United States Perfins*.

The photographs were provided by Pete Heydt, a Bureau precancel dealer, who has reported this find to John Randall, the US Catalog editor. Helen Ratzler sent me a copy of the photographs.

John Randall, our U.S. Catalog Editor reports that he has some doubts, since the right hand stamp is not punched. It makes it appear that the letter B is only the last letter of some punch which is not a true perfin.

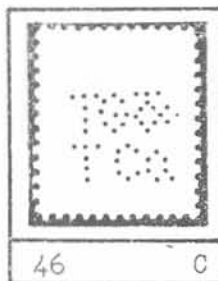
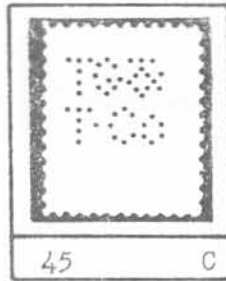
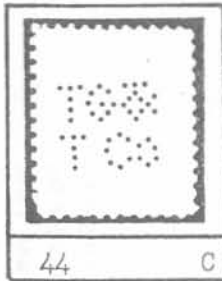
If anyone has additional information on this perfin precancel, please share your knowledge with the Club.

### Bond and Mortgage Guarantee Company

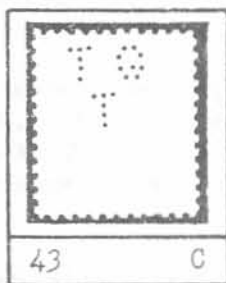
Roland Austin (#3085)

The two covers shown on the top of page 87 have corner cards of the Bond and Mortgage Guarantee Company. One was posted in Jamaica, NY on March 2, 1917. Unfortunately the date does not show on the photocopy used for this article. The other was posted in Brooklyn, NY on September 10,

After 5 Days Return to  
**BOND AND MORTGAGE**  
**GUARANTEE CO.**  
 350 FULTON ST. JAMAICA, N. Y.



After 5 Days Return to  
**BOND AND MORTGAGE**  
**GUARANTEE CO.**  
 175 REMSEN STREET, BROOKLYN



1917. However, there are other differences.

The upper cover has a copy of perfin pattern T43.5, T44, T45, or T46. My guess is that it is pattern T44. We can probably eliminate T46 (no period after the "o" of "Co"). T45 is also out (no dot between "T" and "C"). That leaves T43.5 and T44. My guess is that it is a copy of T44 (size of the "o" in "CO"). However, I can not be sure. The *Catalog of United States Perfins* lists T44's user as

the Title Guarantee and Trust Company of Brooklyn, NY. The catalog supplemental section lists the Bond & Mortgage Guarantee Company also of Brooklyn, NY. This, Jamaica, may be an additional city of usage.

The second cover, with perfin pattern, T43, TG/T is listed in the *Catalog of United States Perfins* as being used by the Bond and Mortgage Guarantee Company of Brooklyn, NY. This cover matches the

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STONE MOUNTAIN, GA 30083

**Late Want Ad.**

WANTED - Ming W. Tsang, PO Box 206, Glenside, PA 19038, needs Hong Kong perfins covers for his Hong Kong Security Markings (Perfins and Firm Chops) collection to be exhibited at Singapore '95 FIP Show. Please send with selling price.

description listed in the catalog. What I believe that this represents is a fact that Title Guarantee and Trust Company and Bond and Mortgage Guarantee are the same.

In the normal progression of life, I would guess that Title Guarantee and Mortgage became Bond and Mortgage Guarantee. However, both covers are from 1917. The Title Guarantee and Trust cover in the September 1992 issue is from 1934. In any event, a copy has been forwarded to John Randall, the US Catalog Editor, for his information.

### LATE NEWS - DUES INCREASE

The Executive Committee of The Perfins Club reluctantly approved a dues increase effective July 1, 1995. Effective that date dues will be increased by \$5.00. Annual dues will be \$15.00 (\$17.00 in Canada and \$20.00 elsewhere.)

Any 1995-96 dues payments received by the Secretary, Ralph W. Smith prior to July 1, 1995 may be paid at the existing rate, \$10.00 (\$12.00 in Canada and \$15.00 elsewhere.) Only one years dues may be paid at the old rate.

There are a number of reasons for this increase in dues. First, we have recently incurred a 17% increase in printing costs. It is hard to fight this as it is the result of an increase in paper costs. Second, the United States Postal Service has announced a 20% increase in second class postage rates is scheduled for September. There will also be an accompanying increase in foreign postage rates, but USPS has not managed to either determine the rate or announce the new rates. Finally, the Club has been operating at a deficit. While the endowment provided by sale of the Bartelson's collection provided a nice steady income when interest rates were high the current lower rates have reduced our income.



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## Notes from here and there

### From our members

Several sharp eyed members have written to me pointing out my error on the Secretary's Report for February 28, 1995. All new membership numbers are incorrectly reported in the report appearing on page 53. Correct membership numbers are:

Gerhard Siebenbrodt	3323
James M. Frye	3324
David K. Wilburn	3325
Adalberto F. Pioner	3326
Melvin Getlan	3327

The "PX" appearing as a membership number indicates an exchange of publications, a society membership or library mailing. These addresses were not previously reported.

**Dues Increase** As reported in the May 1995 edition, The Executive Committee of The Perfins Club Reluctantly approved a dues increase effective July 1, 1995. On that date dues will be increased by \$5.00. Annual dues will be \$15.00 (\$17.00 in Canada and \$20.00 elsewhere).

Dues for 1995-96 may be paid at the old rate \$10.00 (\$12.00 in Canada and \$15.00 elsewhere) until July 1, 1995. Payments received by Secretary Ralph W. Smith, PO Box 895111, Leesburg, FL 34789 prior to July 1, 1995 will be accepted at the old rate. Only one years dues may be paid at the old rate.

### From other Literature

*The BNA Perforator*, March 1995 contains articles on the "Canadian National Railroad Perforator, Winnipeg" the "CH" and "CANL'D/C.S.O. Perfins on Newfoundland Revenues"; "Perfin Memories"; and the results of the study groups Newfoundland Perfin Survey.

In a connected mailing, Conrad Tremblay provided a copy of the Perfin Study Group's Auction No.

10. The club's auction is held on a regular basis three times a year. The auctions average 450 to 500 lots. If Perfin Club members would like to receive a copy of the BNAPs auction drop a note to: Conrad Tremblay; 3259 Lookout Park, Rawdon, Quebec J0K 1S0, Canada.

*The Perfin Society Bulletin* for April 1995, reports the Society's May meeting, "Perfin OBT/&Co", "Members Comments on Previous Articles", and "Six of the Best." The latter article by Roy Gault requests information on the following dies: 1ST/H.R.V/CORPS, W. HYDE/S, R&E, W&CE/HANST, H.FRED/EBERG, and monogram JEG. All of these on issues of Queen Victoria.

*The Precancel Forum* decries the lack of articles being prepared by members. In addition to regular articles on precancels it also contains the following from Tom Gerstenberger PSS 5280.

I am sorry to inform the *Forum* readers my dad, Al Gerstenberger, will no longer be able to work with stamps. He is very ill and I would like to cancel his ads as he will not be able to fill them. He is in critical condition.

I know his first love was precancels and the Precancel Stamp Society. I will keep you advised as to his status.

Al (#1069) was also a long time member of The Perfins Club, Inc. His contributions to precancel and perfin collecting go beyond recounting.

### Special Notice

As previously announced in this publication, the Club is in need of a candidate for the position of First Vice President. The position has been held for a number of years by Ed Hoyt. Ed is looking to retire and we have been attempting to find a candidate for several months.

If you are interested in this position, please contact Kurt Ottenheimer.

Crofton, Maryland, May 20, 1995

This month brings us the exciting news that the Perfins Club, Inc. Guide to Perfin Exhibiting by Sylvia M. Gersh and Robert J. Schwerdt has been published and is available from the Catalog Sales Division for only \$2.00. If you are looking to exhibit perfins, you will find this guidebook an invaluable tool. Our thanks to Sylvia who has been a frequent contributor to this pages. Bob is the Club's Foreign Catalog Editor and his work is seen almost every issue.

The publication is the product of more than Sylvia and Bob's work. I would also take this opportunity to thank William H. Bauer, William Gersch, Edward S. Hoyt, JoAnn Thomas, and Charles C.G. Verge for their contributions. Mr. Bauer is Chairman of the American Philatelic Society's Accreditation of Judges Committee. Mr Verge is Second Vice-President and Chairman, Judging Programme of the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada.

This is the penultimate issue that I will be preparing prior to retirement. Retiring will remove the excuse of being a bit late. I hope that I do not find that I have so much to do so little time. Thus far my trip agenda reads like this:

July 28	Women's Highway Safety Meeting, Frederrick, MD
August 2-4	PSS/Perfins Club, Wilimington, DE
August 10-23	Seattle, WA; Alaska tour, Pacific Cruise, Vancouver BC
Dec ? Jan ?	Aiken, SC
Jan ??	Coco Beach Florida
1996	Phoenix, AZ and Las Vegas, NV

Mixed in between each of the trips there are a number of Honey Do's and trips around Maryland. For example, it is about one hour to Maryland's Charter Oak, but I have not managed to get there yet. Of course, if I get bored, I can always go to the Bay and drown worms.

Dues for 1995-96 may be paid by sending a check for \$10.00 (\$13.00 in Canada - \$15.00 elsewhere) to the Secretary, Ralph W. Smith, PO Box 895111, Leesburg, FL 34789. Add \$1.00 for a family membership. Dues will increase \$5.00 if not received by July 1, 1995. The Club does not send dues notices.

John

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Dues must be paid to the Secretary prior to June 30. Membership fees are \$15.00 (\$17.00 in Canada - \$20.00 elsewhere) \$12.00 of dues are a subscription to the Bulletin. Dues must be paid in US funds. Additional charges upon application. The Club does not mail dues notices.

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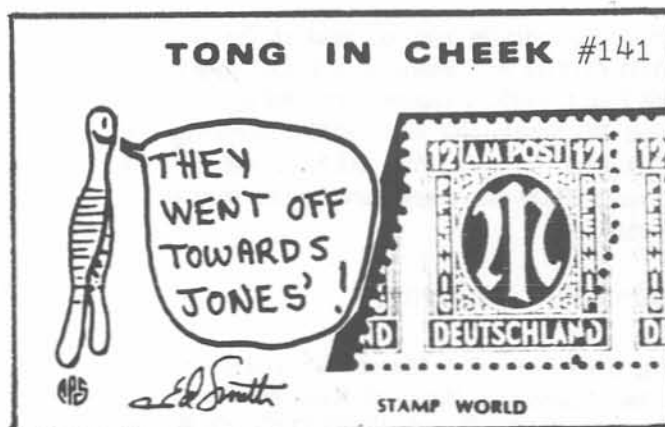
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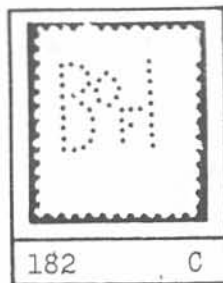
WANTED - Germany 5pf on postal card, clear puncture E.O.B (E.O. Bayer). Will exchange for a postal card or envelope from any country that I need in my collection. Joe Laura, Jr. (1238); 76 Great Hill Dr., West Wareham, MA 02576.

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S132, S133, S288, Des 28. Also request Schermark control perfin covers and single stamps. Please send covers or photocopies with prices wanted to: A.S.Glass; 383 Nanbury Rd.; Mundelein, IL 60060-1108.

## A Potential New Bank of Italy Pattern



One of the early banks in northern California was the Bank of Italy which used the perfin pattern "B of I". The pattern shown to the left is listed in *The Catalog of United States Perfins* as perfin pattern B182.



The bank's business was good and in order to expand its customer base from Italian Americans, the institution adopted the name Bank of America as it expanded into Southern California.

On first glance at the lower perfin pattern it appears to be an off-center copy of pattern B182. However, closer examination will reveal a small triangular pattern above the letter "F".

A copy of this apparently new pattern has been forwarded to the US Catalog Editor, John Randall, for consideration. Unfortunately, we are unable to confirm the existence of this pattern without another copy or preferably, a copy on cover.

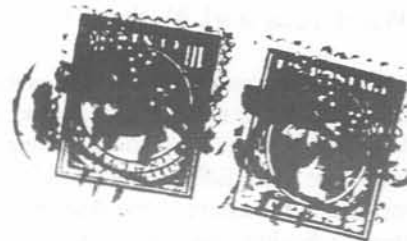
There are other questions to consider. For example, what is the significance of the triangular set of holes. If they are control holes, does that mean that there are patterns out there with one, two, or even four holes?

If you are able to confirm this pattern, or are able to provide any details, please drop the *Bulletin* editor a note.

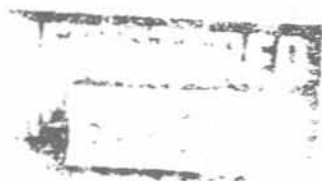
## Dues Increase

The May Issue of *The Perfins Bulletin* contains a notice of a dues increase. While the May issue has not been fully distributed, I have received several letters decrying the increase as unwarranted as unnecessary. These letters pointed out that the Club has been purchasing Catalogs at a more rapid rate than we have been selling publications and that

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the increased number of auctions should generate greater income for the Club.

On the face, these are valid arguments, but the writers have not considered that many perfin catalogs have short runs and when the first press run has been sold, that is it. The second factor not considered by the complainers is the fact that the dues increase is based on projected costs.

Printing costs have recently gone up 17 percent as a result of the jump in paper prices. Incidentally, we are fortunate to have our current printer who is dependable, reasonably priced and who does quality work. The United States Postal Service has scheduled a 20 percent increase in postage for second class in September of this year. The increase in printing charges are about \$675 for next year. Postage will account for another \$500 or so.

Is a dues increase warranted? I believe that it is.  
 John

**A Different User for A22?**

Don Haynes (#2890)

The cover illustrated at the top of this page is the type of information that makes life difficult for the US Catalog Editor. The current catalog, *The*

*Catalog of United States Perfins*, lists the user of perfin pattern A22 as the Acetylene Chemical Company of Chicago, IL. This cover has two stamps with perfin pattern A22 and the corner card is that of Oxweld Acetylene Company of Chicago. The problem is that neither company's name matches the initials "AAM" of perfin pattern A22.

**Available Publications**

- Catalog of United States Perfins, 547 p. Balough. Includes 6 supplements. \$37.50
- US Catalog, 1st. A/C 14 pp., 1982, Balough . . . . . 2.50
- US Catalog, 2nd. A/C 10 pp., 1985, Rickard . . . . . 2.50
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- US Catalog, 4th. A/C 3 pp., 1986, Rickard . . . . . 2.50
- US Catalog, 5th. A/C 4 pp., 19??, Rickard . . . . . 1.50
- US Catalog, 6th. A/C 19 pp., 1991, Cutler . . . . . 2.50
- US Catalog Blank album pages to mount perfins, 10¢ per page. Minimum order \$2.50.
- Railroad Catalog . . . . . \$ 5.00
- US Precancel Perfins, 231 pp., John Randall . . . . . \$20.00
- "Checklist of US Perfins: First Revision", Nov/Dec 89 Bulletin . . . . . \$ 2.00
- Cumulative Index to The Perfins Bulletin 11945-92, Roy \$10.00
- World Perfins Catalog, "Americas Pages", 96 pp., 1992, Schwerdt \$12.50
- Australia, Grant & Matthews . . . . . \$30.00
- Austria, 158 pp., Nussbick . . . . . \$17.00
- Austria, 1st. supplement, Nussbickel . . . . . \$3.00
- Austria, 2nd. supplement, 11 pp., Nussbickel . . . . . \$ 4.00
- Austria, 3rd. supplement, . . . . . \$1.50
- Bavaria, Catalog of Perfins, Needham, 1990 . . . . . \$ 8.50

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CHICAGO May 11th, 1915.

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Gentlemen;

We recently closed a contract for one of our lighting plants with Mr. Julius Doering, a farmer who lives just out of your city, taking his note of \$203.00 in settlement of the same.

At the time this sale was made, our salesman Mr. D. A. Bain took up with you the matter of discounting this note for us, he advising you would discount it for us at 7% and as the note has about ten months and ten days to run, we figure the discount at this time would amount to \$12.20.

We have had the note endorsed and are enclosing it and upon receipt of same, would appreciate Chicago exchange from you for \$190.80.

Yours very truly,  
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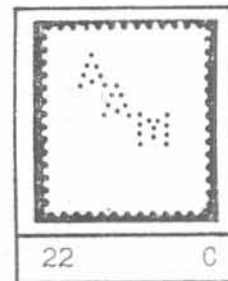
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- Germany A-R + users 894 pages Arge \$190.00
- sold separately A-B-C-D-E-F-G-H-I&J-K-L-M-N&O-P&Q-R-add users each \$13.00
- India, Catalog of Perfins, 115 pp., Werner \$10.00
- India, Supplement, 12 pp., Werner \$ 3.00
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- Netherlands, Jan L. Veroveen \$27.50
- Romania, Catalog of Perfins, 1989, Erös... \$ 5.50
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## Guide to Perfin Exhibiting by Sylvia M. Gersch and Robert J. Schwerdt

*Guide to Perfin Exhibiting*, Sylvia M. Gersch and Robert J. Schwerdt, published by The Perfins Club, Inc., 1995, 12pp., 4 x 9", stapled. Available from The Perfins Club, Inc., Catalog Sales and Distribution, 301 South Hine Avenue, Waukesha, WI 53288. Price \$2.00.

This small but important booklet fills the need for a resource which serves as an exhibition guide for both members and exhibition judges. The guidelines list and encourage the knowledge necessary to exhibit perfins in philatelic shows. It provides the knowledge necessary of to display perfins. At the same time the guidelines also present philatelic judges standardized criteria with which to evaluate perfin exhibits.

The guide was published with the support, input, cooperation and approval of:

William H. Bauer, Chairman Accreditation of Judges Committee, American Philatelic Society and Charles J.G. Verge, Second Vice-President and Chairman, Judging Programme, The Royal Philatelic Society of Canada. Copies have been forwarded to APS and RPSC accredited Judges.

Having recently shown an exhibit which included perfins, underprints, and overprints, I could only wish that I had received the guidelines prior to setting up my exhibit. This much needed work will keep our members from working in the dark when setting up exhibits and will help bring recognition to perfin exhibits at larger shows.

### **The Brunswick-Blake-Collender Company**

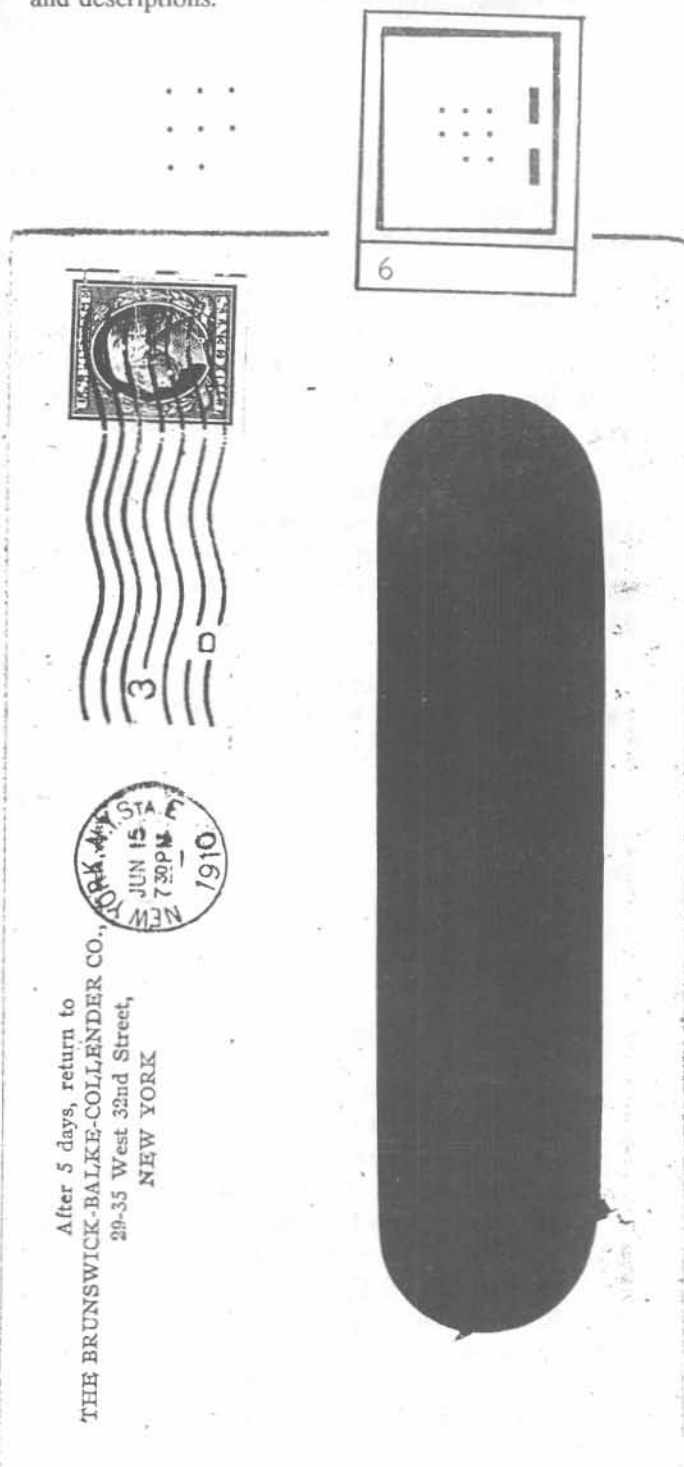
Atholl S. Glass (#2840)

The Brunswick-Blake-Collender Company used a Schermack pattern with hole number 7 missing. This pattern is listed in *The Catalog of United States Perfins* as Schermack perfin pattern number 6. The cover, illustrated to the right, was posted in New York, NY on June 15, 1910. This is the second tentative identification for this pattern.

The first report was made by Joe Laura, Jr (#1238). His report was a cover used on a mailing

by the John Wanamaker department store. Illustrations of both covers have been forwarded to the U.S. Catalog Editor, John Randall, for his evaluation.

Members who can confirm either usage or additional uses are encouraged to provided photocopies and descriptions.



**Auction #58 - Closes August 31, 1995**

Lots will be sold to the highest bidder at the following advances over the next highest bidder. Under \$1.00, a 5c advance; \$1.00 to \$2.00, a 10c advance; \$2.00 to \$5.00, a 25c advance; \$5.00 to \$20.00, a 50c advance; \$20.00 to \$50.00, a 1.00 advance; \$51.00 to \$100.00, a \$2 advance, and over \$100.00, a \$5.00 advance.

No unlimited bids. OR bids are accepted. In case of tie bids, the first bid received will be accepted. Cash deposits not required. All single perfins are complete and in good condition unless otherwise specified. Straightedges (natural) are not considered damage. In larger lots or mixes, incomplete patterns, split patterns, and duplication are to be expected. All lots returnable if not as described, EXCEPT, larger lots or mixes. Lots must be paid for or returned within THREE (3) days of receipt. BID by lot number.

Abbreviations used in this auction:

ADD-All Different Dies      DDF-Different Die &/or Face  
 QNTY-Quantity              MDD-Mostly Different Dies  
 MB-Minimum Bid            EST-Estimate  
 ID-Identification          Pat-Pattern                  Nat-Natural  
 Preper-Precanceled perfin    Entire-cover including letter  
1h, 2h, etc.=Number of holes missing in pattern.  
SE (L/R/T/B)-Straightedge (Left/Right/Top/Bottom). Natural SE's will be noted as such and are not considered "damaged".  
( )-in QNTY column = number of damaged stamps in the lot.  
Perf faults - Any of a number of different faults relating to the perforations (pulled perfs, thinned perfs, blunt perfs, etc.).  
(?)-indicates the column data it is next to, is in question.

Please send bids to:    Joe Coulbourne  
 705 Prince Allen Court  
 Virginia Beach, VA 23454  
 Telephone: 804-425-2290

FOREIGN STAMPS AND MIXES

Lot	Description	Qty
	Argentina	
1	Mix. 6 ADD, 17 DDF.	17(6)
	Australia	
2	IH.18 (IH) on #220. Sm tear, 1 pulled perf, looks ok.	1(1)
3	Mix. 55 DDF, 8 ADD, most officials. Many commems.	55(10)
4	Mix. 77 stamps, mostly officials. Good variety of stamps.	77(19)
	Austria	
5	Mix. 22 ADD, 26 DDF.	26(15)
	Bavaria	
6	Mix. 30 ADD, 38 DDF.	38(11)
	Belgium	
7	Mix. 31 ADD, 39 DDF.	39(18)
	Canada	
8	Pat B9 (B/LL/B). 6 DDF. G rarity.	6(1)
9	Pat B11 (Bo/M). 7 DDF. F rarity. Nice mix.	7
10	Pat C6 (CBC). 12 DDF. G rarity. Nice mix.	12(3)
11	Pat C10 (C/Co). 7 DDF. G rarity.	7(2)
12	Pat C15 (C/GE). 22 DDF. H rarity. Nice mix.	22(4)
13	Pat C24 (C/HI). 8 DDF. G rarity.	8(1)
14	Pat C25 (C/HI). 3 DDF. G rarity.	3
15	Pat C28 (C/HI). 19 DDF. H rarity.	19(5)
16	Pat C38 (CMS). 19 DDF. G rarity. 1 pair. Nice mix.	20(4)
17	Pat C44 (CNR). 7 DDF. F rarity. Nice mix.	7(1)
18	Pat P10 (P&L). 7 DDF. G rarity.	7(2)
19	Pat P17 (PT/L). 9 DDF. G rarity.	9(3)
20	Pat Q1 (Q/CLQ/C). 15 DDF. H rarity.	15(2)
	Canal Zone	
21	Mix. 3 DDF all with pattern C1 (P).	3(1)
	China	
22	PU/MC on #299. Poorly punched.	1
	Colombia	
23	Pat A3 (B/AA) on #400. Lg thin at top, crease.	1(1)
	Denmark	
24	Mix. 21 ADD, 30 DDF.	30(6)
	Egypt	
25	Mix. 3 ADD, 6 DDF.	6(2)
	Finland	
26	ASEA on #78. 1 short perf.	1(1)
	France	
27	A.G94 (A.G) on #346. 1h. Rarity 4.	1
28	C.C.F64 (C.C.F) on #252. Crease, pulled crnr perf. \$5 cat.	1(1)
29	CL188 (CL) on #84. 2 creases, sm tear. \$3.75 cat.	1(1)
30	CL218 (CL) on #140.	1
31	CL218 (CL) on #98. Nice looking stamp.	1
32	SG102 (SG) on #126. Clipped left,perf flts,sm tear. \$35	1(1)
33	Mix. 69 DDF. Many diff pats.	69(27)
34	Mix. 37 ADD, 78 DDF. Many commemoratives. Nice mix!	78(27)
	Germany	
35	Mix. 39 ADD, 44 DDF.	44(26)
	Germany - Offices in the Turkish Empire	
36	Pat 1.FC,3 (F.C.) on #48. Nice stamp!	1
	Great Britain	
37	Underprint (Copestake/Moore/Crampton, & Co./London) on #33 pl 107. AK/KA. Blunt perfs but looks nice!	1(1)
38	As lot 37 above. Pl 114. GK/KG. Few short perfs. Nice.	1(1)
39	As lot 37 above. Pl 119. BL/LB. Clipped perfs at bottom.	1(1)
40	Overprint (O.U.S.) on #20 (on piece). FK. Nice stamp!	1
41	Overprint (O.U.S.) on #20. KE. Nice stamp!	1
42	B0470.01 (B/BK) on #505.	1
43	B1110.03A (BC) on #767.	1
44	B1110.03A (BC) on #889 (2 stamps).	2
45	B7170 (BTH) On #108. 8 clipped perfs-bottom. \$60 cat.	1(1)
46	B9000 (crown/B.T) on #113. Scarce!	1
47	H5200.01 (HM/SO) on #631 (2 stamps).	2(1)
48	I2650.01 & I2660.01 (IW & LW) on an attached pair). Good reason to believe these are from a multiheaded die. \$15 cat each.	2
49	J.T/&S on #58 pl 19. Partial, clipped, perf flts.	1(1)
50	P0120.01a (PAC) on #890c (block of 4).	4
51	R2510.04 (RH/&S) on #98.	1
52	S0590.01 (SB/C) on #633 (split).	1
53	Mix. 2 ADD on #33. Both look sound. J4350.01 (J.&/J.C) plate #193 JP/PJ and G1620.01 (G.E.R) plate #184 DQ/QD.	2
54	Mix. 68 ADD on #89. 2 pairs.	76(19)
55	Mix. 2 ADD on #96. Cat \$35 each. Nice stamps.	2
56	Mix. 40 ADD on #111.	42(6)
57	Mix. 16 ADD on #112. 1 pair.	19(3)
58	Mix. 17 ADD on #113.	19(5)
59	Mix. 48 ADD on #114. 2 pairs.	61(10)
60	Mix. 14 ADD on #115.	16(5)
61	Mix. 6 ADD on #116. \$3 cat each.	7(4)
62	Mix. 3 ADD on #117. \$6.75 cat each.	4(2)
63	Mix. 6 ADD on #118. \$2.25 cat each.	6(3)
64	Mix. 7 ADD on #119. \$2.25 cat each.	8(1)
65	Mix. 3 ADD on #120. \$15 cat each.	3(1)
66	Mix. 2 ADD on #121. \$15 cat each.	2(1)
67	Mix. 5 ADD on #122. \$20 cat each.	6(4)
68	Mix. 15 ADD on #125. 2 pairs.	19(3)
69	Mix. 3 ADD on #126. \$17.50 cat each.	3(1)
70	Mix. 13 ADD on #179. \$10 cat EACH!	58(11)
71	Mix. 8 ADD on #180. \$22.50 cat EACH!	51(12)
72	Mix. 11 ADD on #222. \$4 cat each.	15(9)
73	Mix. 3 ADD on #223. \$20 cat each.	4
74	Mix. 2 ADD on #249. \$3.25 cat each.	2(1)
75	Mix. 8 ADD on #249A.	14(2)
76	Mix. 8 ADD on #495.	10(3)
77	Mix. 5 ADD on #496.	6(4)
78	Mix. 6 ADD on #496a.	8(2)
79	Mix. 8 ADD on #497.	10(3)
80	Mix. 27 ADD on #498.	40(6)
81	Mix. 39 ADD on #499.	55(8)
82	Mix. 26 ADD on #500.	42(12)
83	Mix. 8 ADD on #501.	10(3)
84	Mix. 4 ADD on #507.	8(2)
85	Mix. 3 ADD on #508.	7(2)
86	Mix. 18 ADD on #622.	46(8)
87	Mix. 25 ADD on #623.	80(20)
88	Mix. 4 ADD on #624.	8(4)
89	Mix. 4 ADD on #625.	9(1)

90	Mix. 48 ADD on #626.	97(18)
91	Mix. 50 ADD on #627.	92(28)
92	Mix. 22 ADD on #628.	32(6)
93	Mix. 4 ADD on #629.	6(1)
94	Mix. 10 ADD on #629A.	16(3)
95	Mix. 9 ADD on #630.	25(9)
96	Mix. 12 ADD on #630A.	12(2)
97	Mix. 19 ADD on #631A.	32(2)
98	Mix. 15 ADD on #631B.	16(3)
99	Mix. 3 ADD on #632.	7(2)
100	Mix. 8 ADD on #632A.	9(3)
101	Mix. 11 ADD on #632B.	19(4)
102	Mix. 4 ADD on #634.	5(2)
103	Mix. 11 ADD on #762.	20(2)
104	Mix. 8 ADD on #764.	16(2)
105	Mix. 7 ADD on #768.	8(2)
106	Mix. 2 ADD on #771.	7(1)
107	Mix. 4 ADD on #772.	7(2)
108	Mix. 2 ADD on #887A.	2(2)
109	Mix. 2 ADD on #887Ab.	2
110	Mix. 2 ADD (P0120.01M & P0120.01a) on #890.	9(1)
111	Mix. 5 ADD on #893.	10(5)
112	Mix. 5 ADD on #895.	5(1)
113	Mix. 6 ADD on #896.	8(3)
114	Mix. 4 ADD on #900.	10(2)
115	Mix. 2 ADD on #900a.	2
116	Mix. 31 ADD, QV-QEII (most kings).	31(10)
117	Mix. 6 ADD 2d Wilding security overprints.	8(1)
118	Mix. 3 ADD 2d Machin security overprints.	3(1)
	Great Britain - Offices in the Turkish Empire	
119	BIO on #8. 2 stamps-1 is a partial.	2
	Hong Kong	
120	Mix. 4 ADD, 10 DDF. Better stamps.	10(3)
	Hungary	
121	Mix. 5 ADD, 7 DDF.	7(5)
122	Mix. 56 different stamps (of 102) with 3 hole perfins.	56(18)
123	Mix. 60 different stamps (of 102) with 3 hole perfins.	60(13)
	Ireland	
124	Mix. 23 ADD, 38 DDF.	38(6)
	Italy	
125	2 DDF Marca Da Bolla (fiscal) perfins.	2
126	Mix. 14 ADD, 33 DDF. Many commemoratives. Nice mix.	33(7)
	Jamaica	
127	Pat A2 (JFC(O)) on #122 & #124.	2
	Kiauchau	
128	Pat 2.DAB,2 (D.A./B.) on #35. Nice stamp!	1
	Luxembourg	
129	OFFICIEL on #62 (see note under O69).	1
	Mexico	
130	Pat A11 (M.M./S.S./C.) on #307.	1
	Morocco	
131	Mix. 2 ADD, 7 DDF.	7(3)
	Natal	
132	D on #102. Poorly punched, perf fits.	1(1)
	Netherlands	
133	Mix. 28 ADD, 49 DDF (including 1 sync perfs).	50(19)
	Newfoundland	
134	Pat A9 (AYRE). 9 DDF. Better stamps.	9(1)
	New South Wales	
135	Pat NQICO.1 (N.Q/LCO.) on a pair of 3d Stamp duty stamps. Pair is on piece with ID of Queensland Insurance Co 23SEP1911 rubber stamped across the stamps. 1 has crease. Nice item.	2(1)
	New Zealand	
136	Pat VOCO.2 (VOCO) on #230.	1
	Saar	
137	R.V. on 3 DDF. Lg size stamps.	3(1)
	South Africa	
138	SB/SA on #5 (pulled perf) & #9 (partial).	2(1)
	Spain	
139	Mix. 15 ADD.	15(5)
	Straits Settlements	
140	Mix. 4 ADD, 5 DDF.	5(1)

	Sudan	
141	Mix. 3 ADD, 5 DDF.	5(2)
	Switzerland	
142	Mix. 8 ADD, 11 DDF.	11(6)
	Yugoslavia	
143	JB (monogram) on #45. Pretty.	1

#### FOREIGN COVERS

<u>Lot</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>EST</u>
144	Belgium cover. 12JUN1930. Pat P16 (P.D./B.) on #168 (fits) and #187 (2). All patterns missing pins. ID of Papeteries Delcroix, Nivelles (Belgique) on front. Rough around the edges with a horizontal crease (not affecting stamps). 5" x 6".	<u>\$6.00</u>
145	Canada cover. 20DEC1946. Pat L1 (LA) on #254 (2). ID of Department of Lands and Forests, Province of Ontario on front. CDS is the House of Assembly, Toronto, ONT. Both stamps have split pats. 4" x 9 1/2". Clean cover with nice cancel.	<u>\$6.00</u>
146	Great Britain folded document. 20JUL1913. Pat B0840.01 (B.B/M) on #153. ID of Baerlein Bros., Garnabteilung, Manchester inside. Mailed to Norway. Some sort of huge invoice. Interesting item. Unusual. Clean.	<u>\$6.00</u>
147	Great Britain folded document. 16JAN1914. Pat B0840.01 (B.B/M) on #159. ID of Baerleing Bros., Manchester. Mailed to Norway. Different type of document than lot 146 above. CDS is triange with MR inside. Interesting and unusual item. Clean.	<u>\$6.00</u>
148	Great Britain prepaid cover. Pat S5170.01 (S.M./&S) on #160. ID of Messrs. Stephen Mitchell & Son, Branch of the Imperial Tobacco Company (of Great Britain and Ireland,) Limited, St. Andrew Square, Glasgow on front. 3 1/2" x 6". Clean cover.	<u>\$4.00</u>
149	Greece cover. 22???1930. T.E. on #344 (3) & #346 (pair). ID of the Bank of Greece, Athens (in Greek) on front. Local internal (in-country) cover written entirely in Greek. 5 1/2" x 8".	<u>\$7.50</u>
150	Greece cover. 17JAN1931. B.C.I on #326 & 359. ID of Banca Commerciale Italiana e Greca, Atene on front with a lovely black and red seal from the bank on the back. Registered letter to Kozanh. 5" x 6". Clean cover.	<u>\$9.00</u>
151	Italy picture postcard. 29AUG1925. Pat L9 (LT) on #107. ID of Lloyd Triestino on message side with arms. Picture side is of the SS Helouan. Very nice item!	<u>\$10.00</u>

#### US STAMPS

<u>Lot</u>	<u>Pat</u>	<u>Scott#</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Notes:</u>
152	A5	720	B	
153	A6	641	C	
154	A88	506	C	Lg shallow thin
155	A268.3	565	B	Thin, rounded corner
156	A285	861	D	1h
157	A289	499	C	Nat SER, 3h
158	A298	639	C	
159	B23	510	C	
160	B79	431	CX	Sm tear,crease, Worcester MA preper
161	B86.7	1051	C	
162	B143	634	C	Face thin
163	B143	637	C	
164	B152	307	C	Perf fits
165	B222.5	699	C	1 pulled perf, faint crease
166	B235.5	406	C	
167	C74	406	C	Perf fits
168	C146	C1	E	Blunt perfs. \$25 cat!
169	C183	E16	C	Crease, sm piece at bottom torn away
170	C192	406	C	
171	C250	331	B	Nat SEB, heavy cancel
172	C252A	720	C	
173	C261.5	503	B	Sm thin
174	C267	446	C	Sm tear,crease,thin,nat SEL
175	C305	634	C	
176	C319	406	C	Nat SER
177	C382	377	D	
178	D32	335(?)	B	Heavy cancel
179	D32	335	B	Heavy cancel



MALAY-ASIA, OCEANIC ISLANDS

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS

AC	A.G	AG & Co L <sup>td</sup>	OQA	A.P.C	A.P.C S
A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	A6

B&C <sup>o</sup>	B&C <sup>o</sup>	B&C <sup>o</sup>	B&C <sup>o</sup> S	BCL	B&K
A7	A8	A9	A10	A11	A12

B.M.C.	B.M.C.	B.M & C <sup>o</sup>	B.S Co.	C.B.I	C.B.I
A13	A14	A15	A16	A17	A18

C.B.I	C.C.	C.C	DA B	DMC <sup>o</sup>	EAC
A19	T	A20	A21	A22	A23
					A24

F.S C <sup>o</sup>	F&C <sup>o</sup>	F&H	G&O	G&O L <sup>td</sup>	GEL
A25	A26	A27	A28	A29	A30
				T	

#### IV MALAY-ASIA, OCEANIC ISLANDS

	COMPANY	LOCATION
<b>STRAITS SETTLEMENTS</b>		
A31	Huttenbach Bros.	Singapore
A32	Huttenbach Bros.	Kuala Lumpur
A33	Huttenbach Bros	Penang
A34	Herman Jebson & Co.	Penang
A35	Hooglandt & Co.	Singapore
A36	Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corp.	Singapore
A37	Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corp.	Malacca, Penang, Singapore
A38	Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corp.	
A39	Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corp.	Penang, Singapore
A40	International Crediet-en Handels Vereeniging	Singapore
A41	John Little & Co.	Singapore
A42	John Little & Co.	Singapore
A43	Kelly & Walsh	Singapore
A44	Lewis C. Peat Ltd.	Singapore
A45	L.Y. Swee	Penang, Singapore
A46	Compagnie des Services Messageries Maritime	Singapore
A47	Compagnie des Services Messageries Maritime	Singapore
A48		Singapore
A49	Mercantile Bank of India	Singapore
A50	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha	Singapore
A51	McAlister & Co., Ltd.	Singapore
A52	McAlister & Co., Ltd.	Singapore
A53	McAlister & Co., Ltd.	Singapore
A54	McAlister & Co., Ltd.	Singapore
A55	North China Insurance Co.	Singapore
A56	Nederlandsche Handel-Maatschappij	Singapore
A57	Oriental Insurance Co., Ltd.	Kuala Lumpur
A58	Puttfarken & Co.	Singapore
A59	Paterson, Simons & Co.	Singapore
A60		

#### NOTES:


1. Type A34- stamps for use in Bangkok, 1882-5, were stamps of Straits Settlements overprinted with a **B**. When Siam, became a U.P.U. member, all foreign postal services ceased, and the remaining overprinted stamps were sent back to Penang and Singapore to be used for regular postage. Consequently, these **B** overprinted stamps with perfins of the Straits Settlements never saw use in Bangkok. Though some **B** overprints are fraudulent, it is likely that those used by Boustead, Jebson, and Rautenberg are legitimate. See note for A63.

MALAY-ASIA, OCEANIC ISLANDS

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS

HB & Co	HB & Co	HBC P	H. J & Co	H&Co S	H S B
A31	A32	A33	A34	A35	A36

H S B C	H S B C	H & S B C	L. R	J L & Co	J L & Co +
A37	A38	A39	A40	A41	A42

R & W	L P L	L Y S	★		M & Co
A43	A44	A45	A46	A47	A48

M B S	M B K	M P A Co	M P A & Co	M P A & Co L P	M P A & Co D S
A49	A50	A51	A52	A53	A54

N C I	N M M	OR ENT AL	P C	P S & Co	P & Co
A55	A56	A57	A58	A59	A60

IV MALAY-ASIA, OCEANIC ISLANDS

	COMPANY	LOCATION
STRAITS SETTLEMENTS		
A61	Peninsular-Orient Steam Navigation Co.	Singapore
A62	Rautenberg, Schmidt & Co.	Singapore
A63	Rautenberg, Schmidt & Co.	Singapore
A64	Sandilands, Buttery & Co.	Singapore
A65	Sandilands, Buttery & Co.	Singapore
A66	Shell Oil Co.	Singapore
A67	Schmidt, Kustermann & Co.	Penang
A68	Schmidt, Kustermann & Co.	Penang
A69	Stoomvaart Maatschappij Nederland	Singapore
A70	Straits Trading Co.	Singapore
A71	Thos. Cook & Son	Singapore
A72	Tan Kah Kee	Singapore
A73	W. Mansfield & Co.	Singapore
A74	Yokohama Specie Bank	Singapore
B1	Boustead & Co.	Singapore
B2	Behn, Meyer & Co.	Singapore
B3	Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corp.	Singapore
B4	Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corp.	Singapore
B5	John Little & Co.	Singapore
B6	John Little & Co.	Singapore
B7	Rautenberg, Schmidt & Co.	Singapore
B8	Schmidt, Kustermann & Co.	Penang
B9	William Hall & Co.	Penang
C1	Kaiserlich Deutsches Konsulat	Singapore
C2	Municipal Commissioners, Penang	Penang
C3	Municipal Commissioners, Penang	Penang
C4	Singapore Municipal Commissioners	Singapore

NOTES:

1. Type A63- the first stamps of Straits Settlements were Indian Stamps overprinted with a crown and new values. Naturally some of these were sent to Bangkok and received the B overprint, but later returned to the Settlements. See note for type A34.

180	D35	425	C	
181	D55	333	C	Nat SET, 5h
182	D95	378	C	Crease
183	D98	518	CX	Tear,crease,perf flts, Denver CO preper
184	D107	502	C	Nat SEL
185	D141	319f	C	
186	E29	463	C	Perf flts, cnr thin
187	E110	527	C	
188	F42.5	Q2	C	
189	F146	807	C	
190	F148	562	C	
191	F163	479	C	Perf flts, split (cat \$30)
192	F163	506	C	15h
193	F223	406	C	Pulled corner perf
194	F227	551	DY	Madison, WI preper*203
195	G23	332(?)	C	2 pulled perfs, heavy cancel
196	G23	337	C	Perf flts,cnr crease,thins
197	G49B	566	B/EY	1h, NYC preper (style L5.7E)
198	G61	510	D	Corner creases
199	G72-1	422	E	1h, \$9.50 cat
200	G72-18	341	E	Heavy cancel, \$10 cat
201	G72-21	422	E	\$9.50 cat
202	G72-26	422	E	Crease, perf flts, \$9.50 cat
203	G72-29A	337(?)	C	Creased
204	G201	807	C	
205	G201	811	C	
206	H26	499	C	Perf flts
207	H28	530	CY	Nat SER, St Louis MO preper*L-6E
208	H76	698	C	Wrinkled
209	H92	509	C	Perf flts
210	H107	809	C	Split
211	H123	462	CX	Spokane WA preper*205. Nice stamp!
212	H123	567	CX	1h, Spokane WA preper*205
213	I29	712	C	Corner crease
214	I41	333	C	Crease
215	I62	807	C	1 short perf
216	J39	425	CX	Crease,5h,partial,Balt MD preper*L-4TS
217	J45	503	C	1h
218	J124	498	CX	Columbus OH preper*212. Nice stamp!
219	J124	498	CX	Columbus OH preper*212
220	K48.5	463	D	Pat just touches at right
221	L22	698	C	
222	L55-1	Q9	E	Perf flts, \$4 cat
223	L70	377	C/EX	Perf flts,split, Chicago IL preper*L4E
224	M152	319f	E	1 short perf
225	M265	375	C	1h, perf flts, creases
226	M302	499	C	8h, partial - off at right "M"
227	M310	905	C	1h
228	M311	638	B	
229	N32	427	C	1h, thin, pat just off at "C"
230	N32	438	C	Crease
231	N32	421(?)	C	Thin
232	N54	Q5	E	1h, crease
233	N67	319	E	
234	N76	332	C	Faint crease
235	N113ABb5	825	C	
236	N132	581	C	Creases, perf flts
237	N133	333(?)	D	1h
238	N141	583	C	Rounded cnr, perf flts
239	N145	425	D	Nice stamp
240	N182A	300	D	
241	N200	708	C	
242	N200	708	C	
243	O12	431	E	
244	P2	692	C	3 clipped perfs
245	P22	332	C	Pat just touches at bottom
246	P126	638	C	
247	P182	698	CX	Reading PA preper*205
248	P203	418	C/DX	Boston MA*203
249	P208.5	551	B	Nat SET, pat just off at "C"
250	P208.5	E9	B	Perf flts, sm stain
251	P241	463	B	Nat SER, nice stamp!

252	P244	711	D	
253	P253	376	CX	1 short perf, Cincinnati OH preper*205
254	Q10	332	C	Nat SEL, sm tear
255	Q10	375	C	Nat SEL, thin, creases, perf flts
256	R2.3	1282	C	
257	R41	702	C	
258	R77	693	C	Nice stamp
259	R103	332(?)	C	Nat SEL, few blunt perfs, partial (6h)
260	R104	E15	C	
261	R128.5	815	D	
262	R133	498	B	Sm tear
263	R151	377(?)	C	
264	S11	463	C	Partial, júst off at right
265	S79	554	C	1h
266	S108	514	C	Thin
267	S163	507	C	Heavy cancel
268	S163	509	C	Nat SET,sm piece torn away at bottom
269	S189	714	C	
270	S189	714	C	
271	S195-42	711	B	1 pulled perf
272	S196	558	C	
273	S245	712	C	
274	S267	558	C	Perf flts, heavy cancel
275	S274	814	C	
276	T108	463(?)	B	Perf flts, nat SET
277	U39	381	F	Nat SEB, corner creases
278	U40	566	C	
279	U99	807	C	
280	V7	552	C	
281	W4	805	C	
282	W63	636	CX	Split, Ft Worth TX preper*214
283	W72-36	437	E	Nice stamp!
284	W103.5	463(?)	B	Few blunt perfs
285	W129	548	C	
286	W173	425	D	
287	W199-4	422(?)	D	Perf flts, corner creases
288	W199-5	438	C	Nat SEB
289	W199-10	422(?)	E	Nat SEL/SEB, crease, 1h
290	W199-11	440	D	Perf flts
291	W199-11	440	D	Perf flts
292	W199-14	438	C	Corner creases
293	W199-16	438	C	
294	W199-18	422(?)	C	\$9.50 cat
295	W199-18	422(?)	C	\$9.50 cat
296	W203-1	440	D	Perf flts, heavy cancel
297	Des 14	437	E	Perf flts
298	Des 36	710	C	
299	Sch 16	344	O	Schermack. Crease, light thin
300	Sch 18	343	N	Schermack
301	Sch 19	409	N	
302	Sch 44	344	N	
303	Sch 45	383	N	
304	Sch 59	344	O	
305	Sch 65	343	P	

#### US REVENUES

Lot	Description	ONLY
306	Mix. 195 mixed revs, mostly stock transfers.	195(18)
307	Group of 10 notes (stock transfer) with perfined revenues. All have the firm's ID on them. Nice batch.	10 docs

#### US MIXES AND LARGE LOTS

Lot	Description	ONLY
308	Mix. \$5 stamps (573-7; 834-14). 7 ADD. Dup.	21(8)
309	Mix. \$1/\$2 stamps (6 diff values). 19 ADD.	23(7)
310	Mix. 200 ADD on stockcard. Looks pretty clean, say 10% damaged. Note special deliveries, high values and a good spread of definitives. Prepers, airs and commemoratives included. Nice mix. 200(20)	
311	Collection. The late Bill Ross's US collection mounted on the illustrated pages of the 1966 Catalog of United States Perfins (Lougee,	

Murray, Harris & Stump). 1432 ADD! Rates range from "F" to "A". This collection was not cherry picked. Many nice stamps here with numerous "C" and "B" rated perfins! Damage appears to be about 10% of the total. This is a great start to a very nice US collection with about 1/4 th of all known US patterns represented here. This collection should sell easily for \$500. 1432(143)

- 312 CIGAR BOX FULL. Owner states that there is 4200 perfins in here and it may well be. Duplication, heavy on a few pats. Many different pats, great for the type collector. Huge number of perfins! Looks like about 10% damage. My estimate - \$125-\$150. 4200(420)

### US COVERS

- | Lot | Description  | EST    |
|-----|--|--------|
| 313 | <u>Picture postcard</u> . 23DEC1920. Pat A244 (A/SB) on #498(?). No ID but known to be the American Salebook Co. Picture side is a Christmas Greeting/flowers. 8h, E rated.  | \$1.00 |
| 314 | <u>WWI Censored postcard</u> . 25JAN?????. Pat A267A (ATC) on #498. No ID but known to be the American Tobacco Co. This is one of the preprinted thank you cards for a tobacco kit. Nice AEF censor. From a Sgt in Co E, 117th US Engrs, AEF. E rated. | \$7.50 |
| 315 | <u>Picture postcard</u> . 5APR1912. Pat B49 (BB/CO) on #375. No ID but known to be Burton Bros Co. Picture is of flowers (Easter greetings). D rated. Pretty.  | \$1.50 |
| 316 | <u>Picture postcard</u> . 21AUG1920. Pat B252 (B&A) on #498. No ID but known to be the Boston & Albany RR. Picture is of the Atlantic House and Bath House, Nantasket Beach, Mass. E rated.  | \$1.50 |
| 317 | <u>Stamped tradecard</u> . 10JUN1919. Pat B275 (B&M) on #498 added to a 1c UX27 (not perfined). ID of The New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Co lined through and B&M, Easthampton Station handwritten over it. F rated.                        | \$2.50 |
| 318 | <u>Cover</u> . 10JUL1919. Pat B275 (B&M) on #499(?). ID of the United States Railroad Administration, New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad on front. Cover's left side torn away. Stained & toned. 6" x 3 1/2". F rated.                            | \$1.00 |
| 319 | <u>Picture postcard</u> . 23FEB1914. Pat B277 (B&O) on #405. No ID but known to be the Baltimore & Ohio RR. Picture is of a dog with greeting. 6h E rated. Pretty.   | \$1.50 |
| 320 | <u>Picture postcard</u> . 19FEB1911. Pat C152B8 (CHI) on #375. No ID but known to be the International Harvester Co. Picture is of flowers (pretty) with birthday greeting. D rated.   | \$1.50 |
| 321 | <u>Picture postcard</u> . 30MAR1923. Pat C201 (C/ML) on #498. No ID but known to be the Conn Mutual Life Ins Co. Picture is a house, flowers & trees with an Easter greeting. E rated. Pretty.   | \$1.50 |
| 322 | <u>Entire</u> . 28APR1931. Pat C219 (CNB) on #634. ID of The Chase National Bank, Pine Street Corner of Nassau, New York, NY on front. Slogan cancel. F rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Opened roughly at bottom. Looks ok.                                    | \$2.00 |
| 323 | <u>Cover</u> . 18JAN1947. Pat C334 (C/T) on #943. No ID but known to be from the Chicago Tribune. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". E rated.  | \$1.00 |
| 324 | <u>Greeting card</u> . 22DEC1915. Pat C362 (C.W/CO) on #424. No ID but known to be the Crocker Wheeler Co. New year's greeting card (wreath). E rated. Clean.  | \$1.50 |
| 325 | <u>Cover</u> . 9JAN1928. Pat E119 (ESS) on #463. ID of Eastern Steamship Lines Inc, Office of the Assistant Port Steward, Pier 18, North River, New York City on front. Slogan cancel. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". E rated. Nice. Clean cover.                    | \$3.50 |
| 326 | <u>Picture postcard</u> . 9AUG1927. Pat E124.5 (ET/C) on #634. No ID but known to be the Exchange Trust Co. Picture is of a bather falling down. E rated. Colorful.  | \$1.50 |
| 327 | <u>Picture postcard</u> . 11JUN1909. Pat F96 (FL) on #300. No ID but known to be the St. Louis San Francisco Rwy. Picture is of Vermont Sugar Bush. E rated. Nice card.  | \$1.50 |
| 328 | <u>Picture postcard</u> . 28AUG1909. Pat F114.5 (FM/CO) on #300. No ID but known to be Fairbanks Morse & Co. Unusual CDS. Picture is of the Chicago Musical College Building, Ziegfeld Hall, Chicago. C rated. Colorful card.                          | \$3.50 |
| 329 | <u>Cover</u> . 19MAR1909. Pat H207 (HWP) on #335 (fits). ID of Henry W. Peabody & Co., New York on front. Sent to Australia with a marking of per "Makura" on front. Sydney receiving mark on back. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". D rated. Nice early cover.        | \$4.00 |
| 330 | <u>Cover</u> . 1911. Pat H211 (H&B) on #374. ID of Harper & Brothers,  |        |

Franklin Square, New York, NY on front. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". D rated. Clean cover. \$2.50

- 331 Cover. 11AUG1910. Pat I93 (IS/CO) on #332. ID of The Illinois Seed Co, Seed Merchants, 1521-1535 Johnson Street, Chicago on front. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Unusual CDS "Station U". Sent to Canada. B rated. Nice cover with a scarce pattern. \$15.00
- 332 Cover. 1MAR1920. Pat J63 (JHD/CO) on #499(?). ID of James I Dunham & Co., 336-338-340-342-344 Broadway, P.O. 147, New York on front. Slogan cancel. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Stamp has a Nat SER and pat is missing 11h. Clean cover. D rated. \$2.50
- 333 Picture tradecard. 8OCT1909. Pat J146 (JS/CO) on #331. ID of Johnson Service Company on message side. Picture side is of the Adriaance Library in Poughkeepsie, NY. Clean card with a scarce perfin. B rated. Nice item. \$15.00
- 334 Cover. 3NOV1928. Pat L144 (LSS) on #634. ID of L. Sonneborn Sons, Inc., 114 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY on front. Slogan cancel. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". E rated. Clean window envelope. \$2.50
- 335 Illustrated advertising cover. 11SEP1909. Pat M238 (MSB) on #332. ID of Detroit Engine Works, Detroit, Mich., Sundry Dept with an illustration of a boat motor & prop on front. Station C flag cancel. Cover is ratty around the edges and was roughly opened at right. C rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Doesn't look too bad. \$5.00
- 336 Cover. 1DEC1910. Pat N76 (NE/T&T) on #375. ID of New England Telephone and Telegraph Co. on front. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". C rated. Few tears around window that don't detract. \$5.00
- 337 Cover. 31OCT1911. Pat N77 (NE/T&T) on #375. ID of New England Telephone and Telegraph Co on front along with a couple of company slogans. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". D rated. Stained at left. Still looks ok. Window envelope. \$3.50
- 338 Picture postcard. 12JUL1913. Pat N130 (NP) on #405. No ID but known to be the Northern Pacific Rwy. Panama-Pacific Expo slogan cancel. E rated. Picture is of the Falls of Minnehaha. Nice cancel and a pretty card. \$3.00
- 339 Cover. 26MAR1909. Pat S167 (SKF) on #331. ID of Smith, Kline & French Co, Eskay's Food Department, 429-435 Arch Street, Philadelphia on front. F of pat is just off at right. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Slight staining at left - looks ok. E rated. \$2.50
- 340 Cover. 9AUG1919. Pat S344 (S&F) on #498 (2). ID of Arthur F. Simionescu., 84 Sussex Street, Hackensack, NJ on front and Walter J. Ossege, #4 Park Row, Cincinnati, Ohio on flap. Both are new users(?). 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Clean cover. D rated. \$7.50
- 341 Cover. 13SEP1912. Pat T1 (T) on #406. ID of J.M. Thorburn & Co., 33 Barclay Street, New York on front. Part of flap missing (not noticeable from front). Mailed to Canada. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". C rated. Nice cover. Clean. \$7.50
- 342 Cover. 8FEB1938. Pat T81 (TRAV) on #720. ID of The Travelers, Branch Office, Standard Building, 112 State Street, Albany NY on front. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". F rated. \$1.50
- 343 Cover. 16FEB1937. Pat T81 (TRAV) on #720. ID as lot 342 above. 3 3/4" x 5 1/4" window envelope. \$1.50
- 344 Cover. 16JUN1936. Pat T81 (TRAV) on #720 (damaged) & #642. ID as lot 342 above. Special delivery markings with 2 different RMS RPO cancels on back. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". \$4.00
- 345 Reply card (mint). Pat W13 (WAB) on #804 added to a 1c (Martha Washington) reply card. ID (address) of W. Atlee Burpee Co., Court House Square, Clinton, Iowa. \$1.00
- 346 Christmas postcard. 23DEC1920. Pat W39 (WC) on #498. No ID but known to be Supr Forest, Woodmens Cir. Slogan cancel. Picture is of a house/pine cones. Pretty. \$1.50
- 347 Entire. 7MAY1914. Design 10 (castle) on #406. ID of Department of Education, Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, Baltimore MD. NEW USER ID(?). Letter inside is an invoice from the stamp dealer J. Emory Renoll (of Hanover PA). 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Opened roughly at left - still looks nice. C rated. \$8.00

### LITERATURE

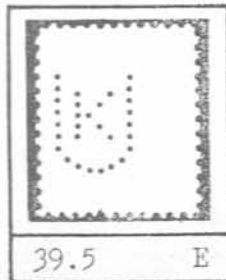
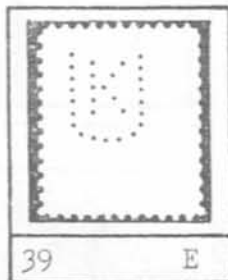
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| 348 | <u>Binder of perfins bulletins</u> . 1970-75. Nos. 225,237,241,243,244,245, 246,247,248,249,250,255,256,257,258,259,260,262,263,264,265,266, 267,268,269,270,272,278,279,280,282,283,284. Lots of good info here. |

END OF AUCTION 58

## The University of Kansas Perfins

Dave Ribble (#3290)

The "U(K)" perfin pattern is listed in *The Catalog of United States Perfins* twice. The catalog illustrations, shown below are perfin patterns U39 and U39.5. The user is listed as The University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS. This is an insight into their usage at that school.



### University of Kansas Perfins

Each academic department handled its own mail. In the Entomology Department, where I was a student, the departmental secretaries had a folder full of perfined stamps of various denominations and mail went through them to receive the proper postage.

When stamps ran low a resupply could be had from a branch post office in the basement of the main administration building. I assume other university departments operated in a similar manner.



The Entomology Department must have been one of the largest users of postage stamps on campus. Members of the department were constantly sending and receiving insect collects from all over the world

for identification. KU was not a Land Grant University (Ag College), so it was not restricted to the study of local harmful insects. When I was at KU one major project was the cataloging of the bees of Australia.

Once a year all students in the department would gather together and help in sending out of scientific



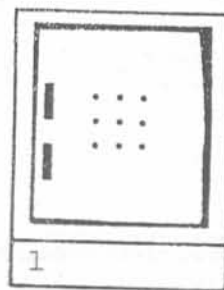
journals by faculty members and graduate students. Requests for reprints would come in from the entire globe. It was quite a chore to gather the proper reprints for each different request. The reprints would have to be sorted to size because the larger ones could be sent cheaper book rate and lighter ones needed additional postage for the higher printed matter rate. Address labels would be put on the envelopes of reprints, they were then weighed and the proper postage determined for each envelope. This system has changed little over the past 40 years and it has used a lot of perfins.

According to my collection, the switch from pattern U39 to U39.5 occurred in the middle 1960s for both patterns are on the Prominent Americans series of stamps.

Commemoratives have been little used for mail at KU. I have seen U39.5 only on the 1977, 13c Peace Bridge and the 1991, \$1.00 Olympic Rings which are illustrated above.

## Spencer Trask & Co - (?) 9 Hole

Atholl S. Glass (#2840)



Spencer Trask & Company of New York, NY has previously been known as the user of Schermack pattern #2 (8 holes) and it is listed that way in *The Catalog of United States Perfins* on page 513. However, this envelope with the corner card, "Spencer Trask & Co., Bankers, New York City has nine holes and matches Schermack pattern #1.

That pattern (#1) is listed in the catalog simply as "Wall Street, New York City, NY." My Spencer Trask 9 hole cover (canceled 2/14/11) has a machine cancel "Wall Street Station, NY." As bankers,



Spencer Trask could well have been located in the downtown financial area of New York City. A copy of this illustration and article have been forwarded to John Randall, the US Catalog Editor, in order to obtain his opinion and consideration for future catalog listing.

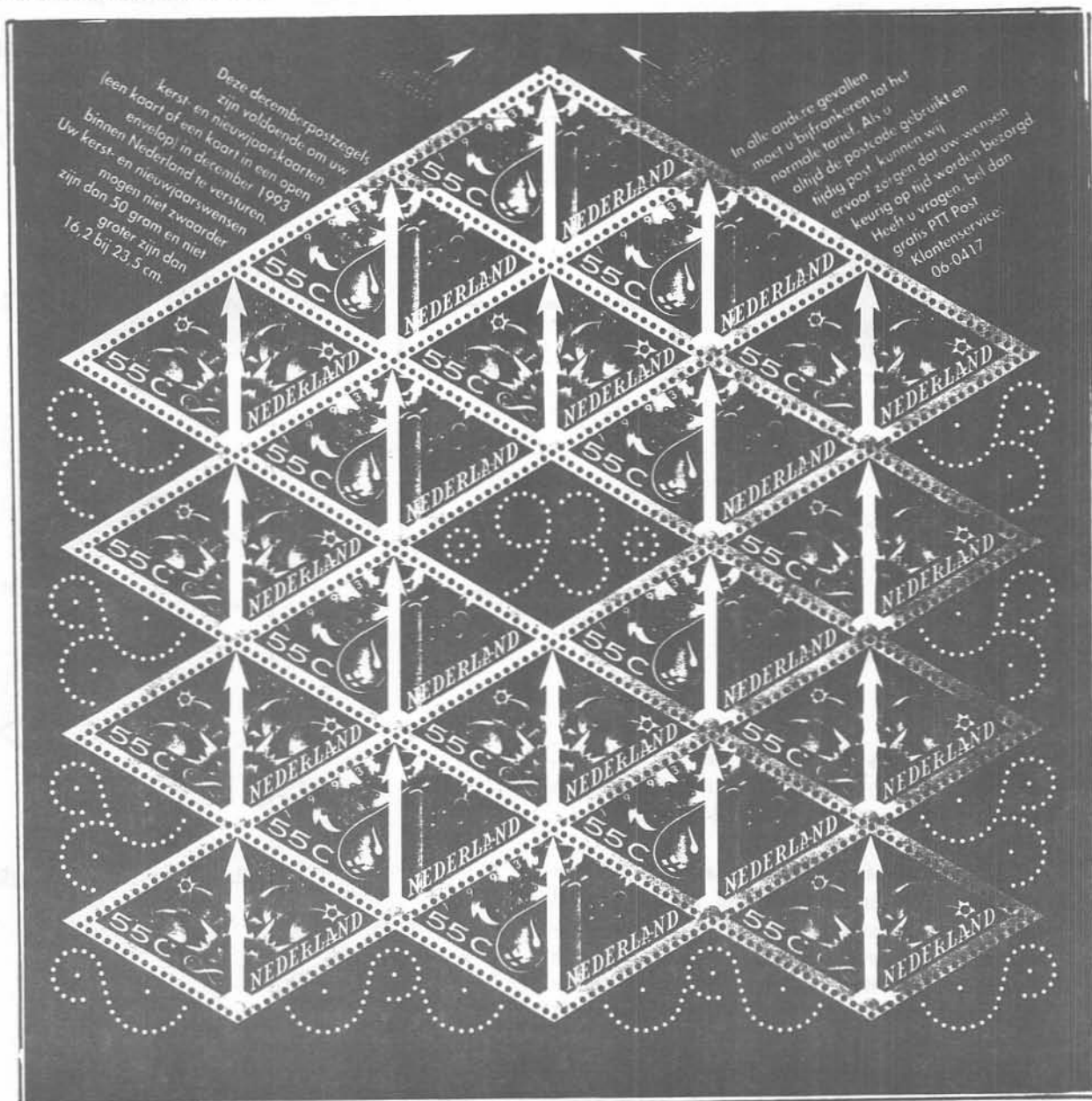
There apparently were at least two users of Schermack pattern #1. Shown to the right is an illustration of a 1909 cover with Schermack pattern

#1 (9 hole) with the corner card of "The Review of Reviews." This cover was previously submitted to the US Catalog Editor and has not yet been listed. Also shown as a matter of interest is another 1909 mailing from "The Review of Reviews", but this cover is franked with a stamp with perfin pattern R119. This latter perfin pattern is listed in *The Catalog of United States Perfins* as being used by The Review of Reviews.



## Perfins Are Alive and Well in The Netherlands

Paul A. Minstretta (L-111)



A February 29, 1994 article in *Linn's Stamp News* entitled "Unusual Perforations on Netherlands..." was my first indication that there was a new officially produced perfin in the world. This perfin was applied to the complete issue of the Netherlands PTT Post's 1993 Holiday (Christmas) stamp. The perfins, which appear to be in a random pattern on the stamps were "... supposed to resemble snowflakes, especially when affixed to white envelopes."

There are two different perfin patterns which are uniquely applied to 2 different diamond shaped stamps issued in a 20 stamp sheetlet. The stamps have been numbered by *Scott's Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue* as #848 (candle, Christmas tree, water, moon & stars; "A" in my illustrations) and #849 "B" (fireworks; in the accompanying illustrations). Both stamps are franked at 55¢ and have a basic dark blue background which makes them difficult to reproduce for illustrations.

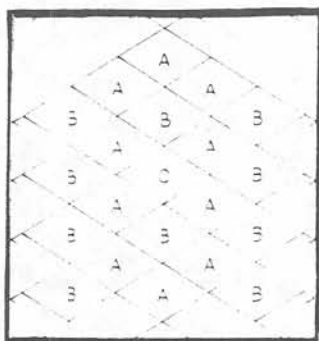
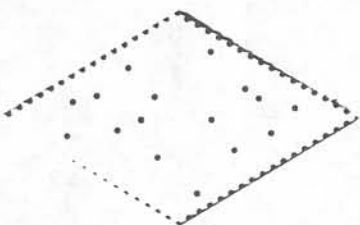
As shown in the accompanying illustration, there are actually 21 items to a sheetlet, 10 of #848, 10 of #849 and a "93" dated seal in the center position. The illustration shows the positions of the two stamps and the seal within the sheetlet. The seal is ornamental, is non-denominated and is not perfinned. The ornamental dots in the seal and selvedge are printed in a bright yellow, not perfinned as they appear. The writing at the top right and left is "how

to" instructions as how best to tear the unusually designed sheet to use the stamps for postage.

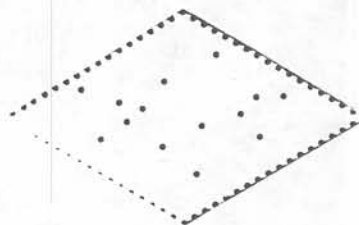
Unlike previous officially applied perfins which changed the value or usage of the stamps (the Hungarian 3-hole triangle perfin which resulted in a surcharge for non-perfined sheets; the Bavarian "E", the Costa Rican "Star", Australia's "V.G." and "O.S." etc. all of which equalled official use only)



A



B



these Netherlands perfins are (as far as I can determine) purely cosmetic, an attempt to enliven the holiday season with a new and different idea.

A quick review of possible se-tenant combinations (including only linear strips and regular shaped blocks) shows a rather large number of combinations. Unfortunately, with only a single "C" pattern in the sheetlet, the resulting number of sheets required to complete the se-tenant combinations is also very high.

Linear block patterns possible (due to the shape of these stamps, the sequences listed below can be found either diagonally up or diagonally down):

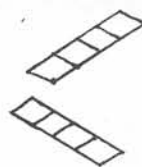


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- CA

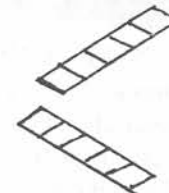
Triples

- AAB
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- BAA
- BAB
- BAC
- CAB



4-in-a-line

- ABAB
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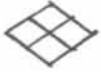


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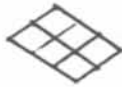
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 Number requiring "C": 16

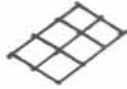
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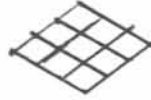
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AA/BA  
AB/AA  
AB/CA  
AC/BA  
BA/AB  
BA/AC  
CA/AB



2 x 3  
AA/BA/AB  
AB/CA/AB  
AC/BA/AB  
BA/AB/AA  
BA/AB/CA  
BA/AC/BA



3 x 2  
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ABA/CAB  
ACA/BAB  
BAA/ABA  
BAB/ACA  
BAC/ABA

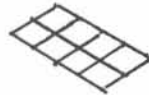


3 x 3  
BAA/ABA/CAB  
BAB/ACA/BAB  
BAC/ABA/AAB



2 x 4  
BABA/ACAB  
BACA/ABAB

4 x 2  
BA/AB/CA/AB  
BA/AC/BA/AB



Number of blocks: 25  
Number requiring "C": 19

### Standard Furniture Company - S118

Jack Brandt (LM14)

I recently acquired the illustrated postcard with a partial SF/Co perfin. At first, I thought it was a private use of the perfin by some one. However, then I noted the picture side of the card with the user Identification of the Standard Furniture Company. Combined with the Seattle, WA postmark everything agrees with *The Catalog of United States Perfins*.



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### **Norton Company Envelopes: Some Comments**

Edmund B. Thomas (#2160)

I noticed a request in the October, 1994 issue from Harry Rickard wondering if anyone had outgoing mail from the Norton Company and speculated on why some many covers exist which are addressed to that company. Having at least part of the answer, I am responding to that note.

The Purchasing Agent for the Norton Company and thus the recipient of much of the mail for that firm for several decades was a dedicated philatelist name Marcus White. I am not sure how long White was able to carry home mail to his home. However, it seems to have been for roughly 30 years judging from the postal cards I have seen which are addressed "Attention Marcus White, Purchasing Agent." I know that Marcus White's chief love was U.S. Postal Stationary and that at his death his vast accumulation of covers was divided among three

dealers while his extensive literature collection was donated to the Cardinal Spellman Museum.

Reg Morris, President of the Machine Cancel Society and the author or co-author of many works dealing with machine cancels, told me that one of these three dealers allowed him to go through his third of the accumulation looking for machine cancels. This third literally took up an entire garage with the cards and envelopes stacked from the floor to over his head and he is not a short individual. According to Reg, he was literally locked into the garage and worked all night pulling out covers at a nickel each.

I wish that I knew the names of the three dealers and I wish even more that they were still willing to sell covers at a nickel each. I would buy a ton at that price. But in any event it helps us know why there are so many covers from this one company and it makes us glad that someone saved this "junk" for years before people realized that there was "philatelic gold on them there covers."

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## Notes from here and there

### Jackson Sothern 1918 - 1995

We regret to announce the sudden passing away of Club Treasurer Jackson L. Sothern (#643) in May of 1995. Jack was a collector since he was 10. He was a graduate of Boston University and received his MA from New York University. In addition to being the Club's Treasurer since January 1991 he was a life member of the American Philatelic Society.

Jack was retired from Cluett, Peabody & Company in 1982 after 34 years of service. He was a CPA and a member of the American Institute of CPAs and the New York State Society of CPAs. He is survived by his wife, Ruth, two children, and several grandchildren.

Jack's other philatelic memberships include the Collectors Club of New York, the Precancel Stamp Society, the German Philatelic Society, the Scandinavian Collectors Club, the International Society of Guatemala Collectors, and the American First Day Cover Society.

### From other literature

*The BNA Perforator*, May 12, 1995, arrived in early May. This issue provides news of Patrick Durbano's (#2538) doings and plans to acquire gems from Bob Traquair's collection, Club news, a request for material, a report of finding of US perfin pattern A287 (AY/RE) on an unused 2¢ 1927 Confederation stamp. The issue also includes an eighteen page, 586 lot auction, the Club's tenth auction.

### Chatham Phenix National Bank - C265 - Possible

Bill Donle (#1356)

I recently purchased the cover photographically cropped and illustrated on the top of page 111. I judge the 10¢ Monroe stamp to be punched with

perfin pattern C265.. I cannot say for sure because the pattern is off center to the point that it is split in two and there appears to be some extra holes as it may have be partially double punched.

I measure the pattern as 5½ mm vs. 5 mm on both the stamp and the listing in *The Catalog of United States Perfins*. Only the 10¢ Monroe (Scott Catalogue number 642) is perfined. It appears that there is enough room for another stamp to have been to the right of the one on the envelope. The illustration is my attempt to reproduce the pattern as it appears on the stamp.

The corner card lists Chatham Phenix National Bank and Trust Company, 530 Seventh Ave. at 39TH Street, New York, NY. The CNB matches Chatham Phenix National Bank.

### P78 - Follow Up

Bill Donle (#1356)

Prior to the item in the May 1994 issue, I had begun looking into the pattern PEXTO and why this combination of letters and their association with the listed user, Peck, Stowe & Wilcox Company, to satisfy my curiosity. I recently had the opportunity to stop in the Southington, Connecticut Public Library. I located a book titled *One Hundred Years of Progress*, which was a brief history of the Peck, Stow & Wilcox Company. The history was published in connection with the company's one hundredth anniversary in 1919. Please note there is no letter "e" on Stow.

The firm was started by Seth Peck in 1819 under the name Seth Peck & Co. In 1833 this became Peck, Smith & Co. In 1870 the Peck, Smith Manufacturing Company, S. Stow Manufacturing and Roys & Wilcox Company combine to form The Peck, Stow & Wilcox Co. PEXTO was a trademark of this company. Its products included sheet metal machinery, tinware, hand tools and machinery for sheet metal fabrication. The only connection I have made between PEXTO and this company is that it

Crofton, Maryland, June 15, 1995

I thought that last month's outburst might draw some response from our membership. It did in fact. To date, I have received one letter of support. I suspect that Ralph "Wally" Smith is correct. Stamp collectors are wonderful people, they will give you the shirt off of their back, but don't expect them to write letters.

Actually, I was hoping that I would generate some correspondence. Not to me but to your Representatives and Senators. They might be able to do something about the monster (USPS) that they have spawned. One of the latest of their stamp creations, a courtesan and drug abuser, is simply an other example of the postal mills greed and desire to select the unwary. The coupling of this with the decision to sell uncut signed sheets at a lot more than face value and to sell uncut sheets at the Stamp Cave by mail are another greed calculation. The increase in handling and postage charges would be a joke if this outlet were not the only source for many of their unique locations.

I attended a small local "stamp show" (actually a bourse) recently. One dealer was selling the Mercury stamp at five percent under face value. He was peeling these off of a full post office pack (100 sheets). In conversation, he told me that he got them at 15 percent under face from an individual who had purchased them "... as an investment."

Now no doubt, there are some US stamps issued since 1940 that have appreciated in value. However, they have been few and far between. If you are sinking your money into US commemoratives, you would be better off getting three percent in a passbook.

I hope to assemble the September issue prior to July 15. By doing that Evelyn and I can leave for our Alaskan venture without that worry about the Perfins Bulletin.

Dues for 1995-96 may be paid by sending a check for \$15.00 (\$18.00 in Canada - \$20.00 elsewhere) to the Secretary, Ralph W. Smith, PO Box 895111, Leesburg, FL 34789. Add \$1.00 for a family membership. Dues were increased \$5.00 on July 1, 1995. The Club does not send dues notices.

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The Committee will accept nominations from the membership for the positions of Vice President and Secretary to begin January 1, 1996. All nominations must be received by September 1, 1995 for our Fall election.

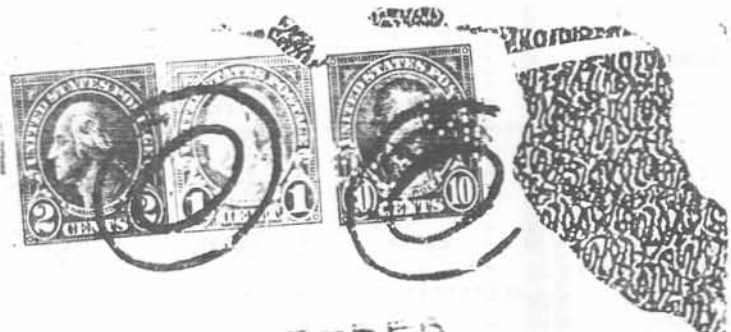
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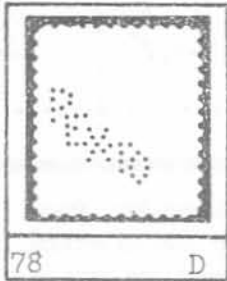
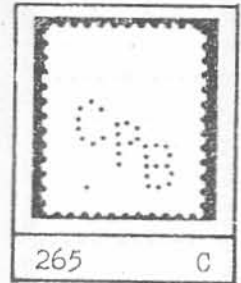
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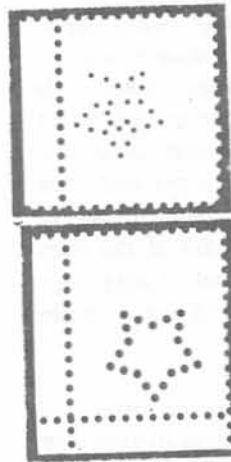
appears to be a phonetic spelling of the combination of Peck and Stow. After some prosperous times which included a branch office in Cleveland, Ohio the company was liquidated and sold off to a manufacturer in the midwest about 1976. PEXTO is currently the trademark of Roper Whitney, Inc. of Rockford, Illinois.

NY 14218. I have written to them, but they have not seen fit to respond as of this date.

**Two Variants of the Texas Star Perfin**

Katherine H. Foster, Editor, *Texas Precancels*

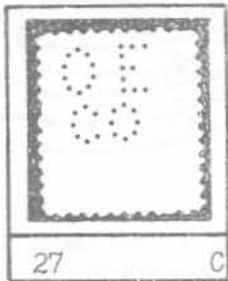
Based upon the forgoing, I suggest that the US Catalog Editor should keep perfin pattern P78 identified as The Peck, Stow & Wilcox Company using the corrected spelling of Stow.



Shown to the left are examples of the two variants of the Texas star perfin. I went to the Texas House Postoffice (not a part of the United States Postal Service - a mail room) to obtain examples of the star perfin and was surprised to learn that there are, in fact two devices. The older Cummins perforator device (with a "C" inside the star) belonged first to the Comptroller of

**O27 - Follow Up**

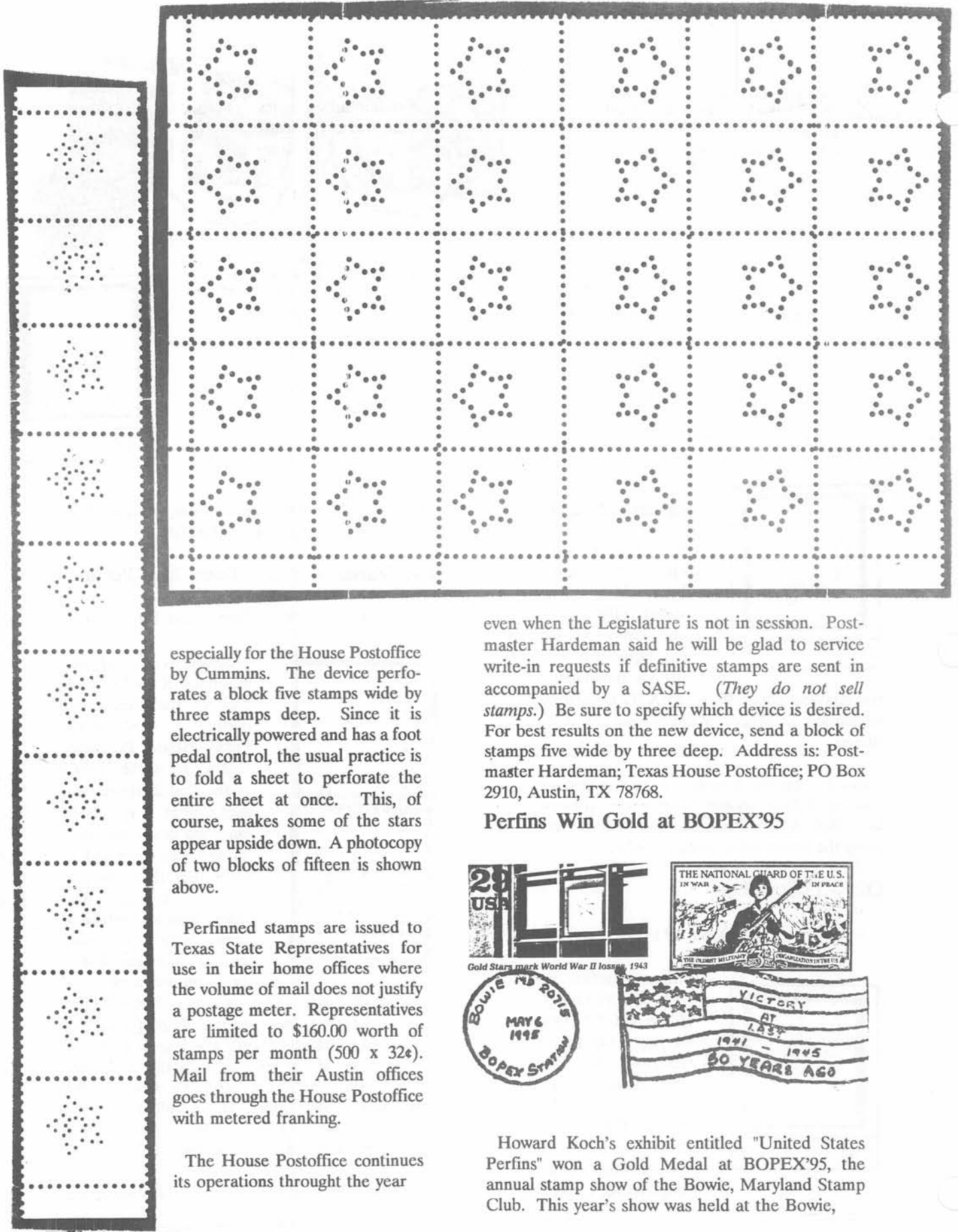
Bill Donle (#1356)



Since my article on "Our Lady of Victory Infant Home - O27" appeared on pages 143-144 of the October 1994 issue, I have located an address in a phone book for the user of that perfin pattern. It is Our Lady of Victory Infant Home, 790 Ridge Road, Lackawana,

the State of Texas. This pattern is listed in *The Catalog of United States Perfins* as perfin pattern C10 with a C rating. House Postmaster Clarence Hardeman could not tell me when the perforator was first issued to the Comptroller's office but the device bears serial number "59." A pull on the lever perforates a strip ten stamps wide. A photocopy of the full strip of ten is shown on page 112.

The newer device (about two years old) was made



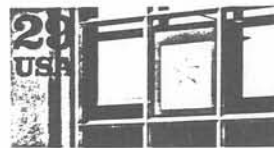
especially for the House Postoffice by Cummins. The device perforates a block five stamps wide by three stamps deep. Since it is electrically powered and has a foot pedal control, the usual practice is to fold a sheet to perforate the entire sheet at once. This, of course, makes some of the stars appear upside down. A photocopy of two blocks of fifteen is shown above.

Perfined stamps are issued to Texas State Representatives for use in their home offices where the volume of mail does not justify a postage meter. Representatives are limited to \$160.00 worth of stamps per month (500 x 32¢). Mail from their Austin offices goes through the House Postoffice with metered franking.

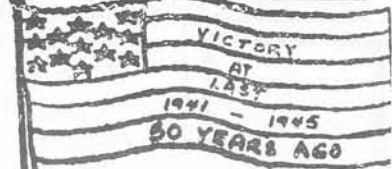
The House Postoffice continues its operations through the year

even when the Legislature is not in session. Postmaster Hardeman said he will be glad to service write-in requests if definitive stamps are sent in accompanied by a SASE. (*They do not sell stamps.*) Be sure to specify which device is desired. For best results on the new device, send a block of stamps five wide by three deep. Address is: Postmaster Hardeman; Texas House Postoffice; PO Box 2910, Austin, TX 78768.

### Perfins Win Gold at BOPEX'95



Gold Stars mark World War II losses, 1943



Howard Koch's exhibit entitled "United States Perfins" won a Gold Medal at BOPEX'95, the annual stamp show of the Bowie, Maryland Stamp Club. This year's show was held at the Bowie,

Maryland Community Center on Kenhill Drive where the Club meets every Monday.

The Bowie Stamp Club is known for progressive leadership in stamp circles, having been featured in several articles in the philatelic press. The Club used a new format for this year's exhibit. Rather than the usual stamp show format, members were limited to a single frame. In addition, each of the shows attendees was given a ballot and requested to vote for their top three choices. Using this method of selecting awards led to a diverse set of selections.

There were twenty-four exhibits. From these, the public selected:

Paul Houtchens, Trains on Stamps, Grand Award  
Howard Koch, United States Perfins, Gold  
Bertha Houtchens, Elephants, Gold  
Stewart Henry, Military Uniforms, Silver  
Jackie Michels, Roses on Stamps, Bronze.

The Bowie Stamp Club meets every Monday evening except legal holidays at the Bowie, Maryland Community Center. The Public is invited to attend.

**Perfins of Italy, book review** 1995, Ir. Ruud J. Hammink and Jac M. van der Hoorn, published by Perfins Club Nederland, loose leaf (Dutch with "Preface" and "How to use this catalogue in English").

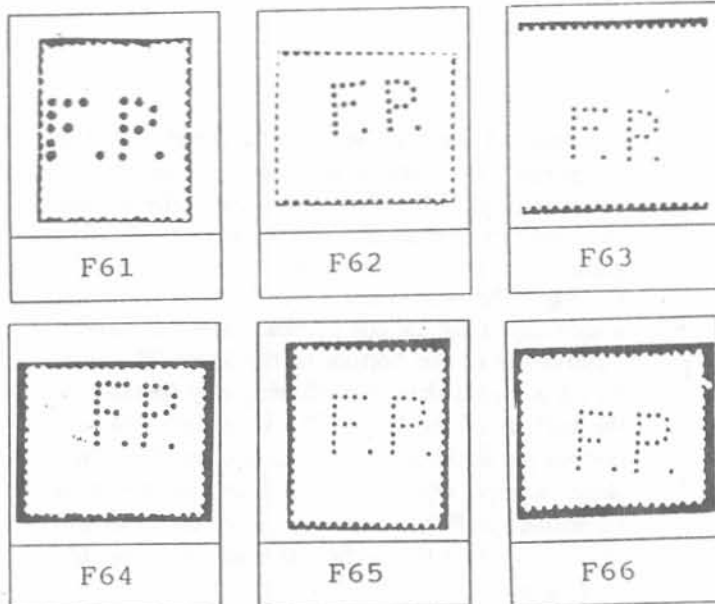
Italy permitted the perforation of postage stamps starting in 1878. The authors have accumulated a directory contains more than 950 different perforators with a great deal of information about the users and use of the perfins. The catalogue is presented by letter (with extra sections for "BCI" - Banca Commerciale Italian and "CI" Credito Italiano) followed by Italian offices in Turkey (Levant); AMG (both Allied Military Government/Venezia Giulia and Free Territory Trieste); Hungary (Fiume); Fiume; Switzerland and Austria. The listing of Italian perfins used in stamps of Austria was compiled on the basis of the *Catalog of Austria Perfins* by John Nussbickle.

The catalogue entries contain:

- o Catalogue number - a unique successive number is used. In the case of perfins "BCI" and "CI" a special numbering system

is used (e.g., BCI1, BCI2, etc.). The "CI" numbering system uses a series of letters after the number to categorize the pattern by use of periods and appearance of the letter I.

- o Description of the perfin.
- o Number of holes.
- o User, if known.
- o Kind of stamp (postal, express, parcel, etc.)
- o Countries in which used.
- o Era of use.
- o Indications of a multihead perforators.
- o Town of use.



On occasions there are fortunate circumstances. Shown at the top of page 113 is the front of an Italian cover franked with two King Victor Emmanuel III stamps of the 1929-42 series. The corner card is Francesco Parisi, Genova. The front was sent to me by member Stuart D. Clarke (#2940) shortly before I received a review copy of the catalog. I attempted to use the copies of various worksheets, notes, etc. that I have accumulated over the years to "positively" identify the perfin. The pattern, difficult to see in the

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accumulated over the years to "positively" identify the perfin. The pattern, difficult to see in this illustration is "F.P." Entries for this perfin include F61 through F66 in the new catalogue. At first glance, this perfin appears not to be listed in the catalog. The hole count is 10, 12 which does not match any of the catalog entries. However, careful observation of the bottom of the letter "F" shows that it is higher than the following stop (period) or the bottom of the letter "P". I conclude that the bottom pin in the letter "F" was missing at the time these stamps were punched, thus the perfin is identified as F62. In addition, since the catalogue also reports that the perfin was used until 1966, the missing pin was eventually replaced.

John

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- 3329 Conti, Joseph C.; #1 Rotaly Ct; Florissant, MO 63034  
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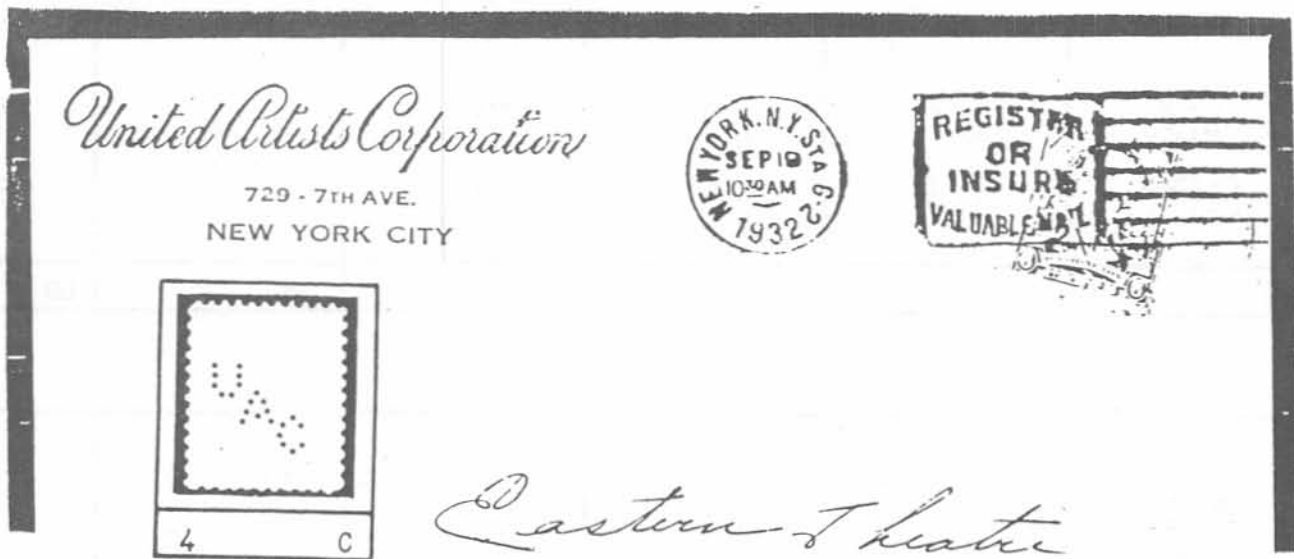
SUMMARY:

Members as of February 28, 1995	829 (Adjusted)
New Members	+ 7
Members as of March 31, 1995	836

United Artists - U4

Douglas J. Cutler  
Former US Catalog Editor

Shown below is the identifying cover for perfin pattern U4. The user is United Artists Corporation, 729 - 7TH Avenue, New York, NY.



MALAY-ASIA, OCEANIC ISLANDS

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS

P&O C <sup>o</sup>	R.S. C.	R&A C	S.B. C <sup>o</sup>	S.B. &C <sup>o</sup>	W&A
A61	A62	A63	A64	A65	A66

S.K. C.	S&A C	S.M. C	S.T. C	T.C. &S	T.T.
A67	A68	A69	A70	A71	A72

W.M. &C <sup>o</sup>	Y.S. B		B&C <sup>o</sup>	B.M. &C <sup>o</sup>	H.S.B.
A73	A74		B1	B2	B3

H&S S&C	J.L. &C <sup>o</sup>	J.L. &C <sup>o</sup>	R.S. C.	S&A C	W.M. &C <sup>o</sup>
B4	B5	B6	B7	B8	B9

K.D. K.	M.C.P.	M.C. P.	S&A C		
C1	C2	C3	C4		

**Auction #59 - Closes October 31, 1995**

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Abbreviations used in this auction:

ADD-All Different Dies      DDF-Different Die &/or Face  
 QNTY-Quantity              MDD-Mostly Different Dies  
 MB-Minimum Bid            EST-Estimate  
 ID-Identification          Pat-Pattern                  Nat-Natural  
 Preper-Precanceled perfin    Entire-cover including letter  
 1h, 2h, etc.=Number of holes missing in pattern.  
 SE (L/R/T/B)-Straightedge (Left/Right/Top/Bottom).  
 (-) in QNTY column = number of damaged stamps in the lot.  
 Perf faults - Any of a number of different faults relating to the perforations (pulled perfs, thinned perfs, blunt perfs, etc.).  
 (?) - indicates the column data it is next to, is in question.

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FOREIGN STAMPS AND MIXES

Lot	Description	Qty
Argentina		
1	Pat A60 (CQ) on #545. Double strike.	1
2	Pat A103 (IBA) on #350. Poorly punched.	1
3	Pat A148 (MRP) on #442. Few perfs clipped UL.	1(1)
4	Mix. Pat A60 (CQ) on #536,547,551,561,C50.	5
Austria		
5	Pat A148 (A.O.e.B) on #154.	1
6	Pat B126 (B.R.) on #313.	1
7	Pat B134 (Br.T.) on #329. Stamp is mint.	1
8	Pat H9 (H.A.G/WEIN) on #158. Corner creases.	1(1)
9	Pat H82 (H.P.S.) on #213.	1
10	Pat H121 (H.Z.) on #66. Rounded corner LL.	1(1)
11	Pat J157 (J.N.) on #294.	1
12	Pat L14 (L.B.) on #92 & #103 (thins).	2(1)
13	Pat M103 (M.N.) on #192.	1
Austrian Offices Abroad - Offices in the Turkish Empire		
14	Pat LE-17 (WBV) on #49. Minor face scrapes.	1(1)
15	Pat LE-17 (WBV) on #49. Face scrapes, thins.	1(1)
Belgium		
16	Part of "Caisse D'Epargne" on #30/cut square(?).	1(1)
17	Pat R10 (RED/STAR/LINE) on #87. Thin, crease. The whole pat is nicely centered on the stamp!	1(1)
18	Design 12 (star) on #75 with tab! Cat \$13.50. Very nice!	1
Belgium - Issued Under German Occupation		
19	C.B. on #N16. Perf flts.	1(1)
Brazil		
20	Pat A1 (BNU) on #223.	1
British Honduras		
21	...AID on #39. (part of paid)	1
22	Pat C1 (partials) on #99 & #102. (pat is D.C./BELIZE)	2
23	Pat C1 (as above) on #100 & #101. Both pats doubled	2
24	Pat C1 (as above) on #92 (2 stamps)	2
Canal Zone		
25	Pat C1 (P) on #105. Corner crease.	1(1)
Chile		
26	Pat A7 (DF/C) on #227.	1

Colombia		
27	Pat A6 (CRT) on #372	1
Costa Rica		
28	Pat C1 (Star) on #O82 & O83 (both are mint).	2
29	Pat C1 (Star) on #O84 (mint).	1
Denmark		
30	Pat L26 (L.G./C.) on #48.	1
31	Mix. 13 ADD rated D & E in catalog. Nice mix.	13
32	Mix. 11 ADD.	18(1)
Foreign Mixes		
33	Mix. 13 ADD; 9 countries.	18(7)
34	Mix. 16 ADD; 7 countries (Europe).	21(12)
France		
35	Pat Design 15 (COW) on #267. Pretty! Rarity 5. France - Offices in the Turkish Empire (Levant)	1
36	Pat BIO2 (BIO) on #34. Rarity 5.	1
37	Pat CL3 (CL) on #2 & #3. Both faulty-pats ok. Rarity 6. German States - Wurttemberg	2(2)
38	U.G. on #60. Perf flts, creases. Pat ok. Germany	1(1)
39	ALLIANZ on #142. Complete strike! Pretty!	1
40	ALLIANZ on #142. Complete strike! Pretty!	1
41	Mix. 20 ADD. Duplication (esp GW). German Offices Abroad - Offices in the Turkish Empire	32(12)
42	K.B. on #10. 3 short perfs. Great Britain	1(1)
43	Pat E1330.01 (EE/CO) on #275. 1 short perf. \$9 cat!	1(1)
44	Pat U1350 (U.M/ICO) on #30 pl15 (CQ/QC). Thin.	1(1)
45	Mix. 4 ADD design patterns.	4(1)
46	Mix. 14 ADD on KEVII stamps (various denominations).	43(11)
47	Mix. 17 ADD. Most are early kings. Great Britain Regionals - Scotland	48(21)
48	Pat G0010.16 (G) on #2p. Great Britain Regionals - Wales & Monmouthshire	1
49	Pat S1210.01 (SC) on #13. British Offices Abroad-East Africa Forces-For use in Eritrea	1
50	Looks like part of PAID on #22. Haiti	1
51	Pat A1 on #52. Perf flts, couple small thins, still looks ok.	1(1)
52	Pat A1 on #53. Nice stamp!	1
Indochina		
53	Pat B.II (B.I) on #166. Rarity factor 6!	1
54	Pat BIC2 (BIC) on #158. Rarity factor 6!	1
55	Pat A5 (HS/BC) on #73 (pair). Rarity factor 5!	2
Ireland		
56	Pat C15 (C.I.E.) on #109 & 111 (pair).	3
57	Pat W15 (W/ITC) on #155. Nice stamp!	1
58	Mix. 5 ADD (all sound).	5
Jamaica		
59	Pat A2 (UFC(o)) on #96. 3h.	1
60	Pat A2 (UFC(o)) on #105. 3h.	1
61	Pat B2 (9 holes) on #109. Crease.	1(1)
Luxembourg		
62	BE on #142. Thin.	1(1)
Malta		
63	A.M./B. on #118. Rounded corner.	1(1)
Mexico		
64	Pat A1 (B) on #155. Nat SEB.	1
65	Pat A2 (Cia./F.M.) on #311. Perf flts.	1(1)
66	Pat A15 (R.B./&C.) on #299.	1
Netherlands		
67	Pat 76 (BS) on #429.	1
68	Pat 105 (CC/B) on #174a; poko-sync perfs,hngmk on face	1(1)
69	Pat 161 (DT) on #173a; poko-sync perfs.	1
70	Pat 161 (DT) on #168b; poko-sync perfs, 2h.	1
71	Pat 217 (GH/B) on #175a; poko-sync perfs.	1
72	Pat 298 (HV/S) on #168b; poko-sync perfs; perf flts.	1(1)
73	Pat 861 (retort design) on #308. Partial 2nd strike.	1
74	Pat 862 (cross design) on #59.	1
75	Pat 866 (6pt star design) on #172. Just off at L, 2h.	1
New South Wales		
76	Mix. 30 ADD +5 ADD Railway parcel stamps. Nice mix!	37(6)

	Nicaragua	
77	...ANC... on a 2 cor fiscal. Part of Cancelado.	1
78	...ELAD.. on a 2 cor fiscal. Part of Cancelado. Perf flts.	1(1)
	Peru	
79	Pat A1 (BM/AP) on #212. Few short perfs.	1(1)
	Philippines	
80	Mix. 3 ADD on 5 different stamps.	5(1)
	Portugal	
81	Pat 210 (VFF) on #866.	1
	Queensland	
82	Pat SH&CO.1 (SH/&CO) on #104.	1
	Saar	
83	C.D. on #110. Short corner perf.	1(1)
	Spain	
84	...H... on a 5c fiscal. Huge "H".	1
	Switzerland	
85	Unlisted pat (A.J.) on #116. Nice stamp!	1
86	Pat C11 (CE/G) on #152.	1
87	Design 41 (dipper?) on #168. Pretty design!	1
	Tasmania	
88	OS (12,12) on #91. Nice stamp!	1
	Turkey	
89	CL (monogram) on #112. Thin, creases.	1(1)
	Yugoslavia - Slovenia	
90	Dr.F.Z. on #3L7. Nice stamp!	1

#### FOREIGN COVERS

Lot	Description	EST
91	<u>Argentina cover</u> . 30MAY1928. Pat A36 (BPB) on #351. ID of Banco De La Provincia Be Buenos Aires, Buenos Aires on front. This cover marked for steamship "W. World". Registered, certified. Properly backstamped with 2 bank stickers. 5 1/2" x 6". Fold creases, open on 3 sides but still a very nice cover!	\$15.00
92	<u>Australia official cover</u> . 15MAR1940. W/A on #117(?). No ID but marked "On His Majesty's Service" and postmarked "Perth/West. Aust.". 3 3/4" x 8 3/4". Slogan postmark. Sent to USA.	\$4.00
93	<u>Austria cover</u> . 9MAY1923. Pat B165 (B./V.) on #274 (poorly punched) and W34/7(?) (W.B.V.) on #267. ID of Wiener Bank-Verein, L., Schottengasse 6-8 on front. 6" x 6". With both patterns tied to the same cover it sure makes a case for B165 to be a partial of W.B./V. Either way this is a new ID for B165. Clean cover with 2 different patterns used. Unusual.	\$15.00
94	<u>Austria cover</u> . 8FEB1917. Pat J30 (J.B.S.) on #150. ID of Joh. Backhausen & Sohne, Wien on front. 5" x 6". Clean.	\$4.00
95	<u>Austria cover</u> . 19SEP1917. Pat J30 (J.B.S.) on #168. ID of Joh. Backhausen & Sohne, Wien on front. 5" x 6". Clean.	\$4.00
96	<u>Austria cover</u> . 7JUL1902. JB&S/WIEN on #75. ID of Joh. Backhausen & Sohne, Wien on front. This pattern is close to but does not exactly match J34. This may be a new pattern(?) and ID. Pancsova receiving backstamp. Clean. 5" x 6".	\$15.00
97	<u>Austria cover</u> . Indistinct cancel. JB&S/WIEN on #75. ID of Joh. Backhausen & Sohne, Wien on front. This pattern is close to but does not exactly match J34. This may be a new pattern(?) and ID. Pancsova receiving backstamp. Clean. 5" x 6".	\$15.00
98	<u>Austria cover</u> . 11NOV1924. Pat L104 (L&W) on #281. ID of Langen & Wolf, Motoren-Fabrik, Wien, X., Laxenburgerstrabe Nr. 53 on front. Clean window envelope. 6" x 6".	\$3.50
99	<u>Austria cover</u> . Indistinct cancel. Pat W34-7(?) (W.B.V.) on #238. ID of Wiener Bank-Verein on front. Clean. 5" x 6".	\$3.50
100	<u>Belgium cover</u> . 1AUG1913. Pat B75 (BN) on #105. ID of Banque Nationale de Belgique, Bruxelles on front. Sent to France. Pretty exposition flag-type cancellation. Cover opened roughly near stamp (stamp ok). 4 1/2" x 6".	\$6.00
101	<u>Belgium cover</u> . Indistinct cancel. Pat E48 (EO) on #207. ID of O. Englebert Fils & Cie, Commandite Par Actions, Siege Social: 3-13, Rue Des Venues, Liege (Belgique) on front. Opened roughly at right (stamp ok). 4" x 8 1/2". Fancy monogram.	\$6.00
102	<u>Denmark cover</u> . Faint slogan cancel. Pat E12 (EL) on #663. ID of Ejka (in diamond), Emil Jensens Eftf., v/H. Fischer, Kigkurren 6-8. 2300 Kobenhavn S on front. 4 1/2" x 8 3/4". Clean.	\$5.00
103	<u>Denmark cover</u> . 20APR1983. Pat H1 ((H)) on #493 & #705. ID of Aktieselskabet, C.A. Herstad, Vognmagergade 7, 1120 Kobenhavn K	
	on front. Pretty slogan cancel (monkey zoo) with a monkey in it. 4 1/2" x 8 3/4". Clean.	\$7.50
104	<u>Germany card</u> . 4SEP1927. Pat 2.CPB,1 (CP/B) on #167(?). ID of Commerz-und Privat-Bank, Aktiengesellschaft, Hamburg-Berlin on front with the office of Filiale Chemnitz on back. Clean card - appears to be some sort of stock(?) quote.	\$3.00
105	<u>Germany prepaid cover</u> . Mint. Pat 1.DB,2 (DB) on #511. ID (address) of Dresdner Bank, Revisions-Abteilung, Berlin W8 on front. Cover has a faint crease through stamp (still presentable). 4 1/2" x 6 1/2".	\$1.00
106	<u>Germany cover</u> . 29APR1921. Pat 1.DB,18 (DB) (poorly punched) on #126 (perf flts). ID of Deutsche Bank Filiale Dresden on front. Clean cover. 5" x 6 1/2".	\$1.50
107	<u>Germany cover</u> . 5DEC1917. D.B./D.B. (poorly punched & just off at D's) on #100. ID of Deutsched Bank Filiale Dresden on front. This pattern is not shown in the German catalog and may be new. Cover opened roughly at top with flap missing. 5" x 6 1/2".	\$10.00
108	<u>Germany cover</u> . 8MAR1920. D.B./D.B. (poorly punched) on #84. ID of Deutsche Bank Filiale Dresden on front. This pattern is not shown in the German catalog and may be new. Cover opened roughly at top. 5" x 6 1/2".	\$10.00
109	<u>Germany prepaid cover</u> . 11NOV1911. Pat 1.M,36 (M.) on #83(?). ID of Maggi, Gesellschaft mit beschränkter Haftung, Abteilung A, Berlin W.35 on front (address). 5" x 6 1/2". Clean.	\$5.00
110	<u>Germany wrapper</u> . 15MAR1938. S (18h, 12.5mm) on #417(?). ID of Scheris Reiseburo, Verlag Scherl, Berlin SW19 am Donhoffplatz on front. Appears to be some sort of huge wrapper open at both ends. 6 1/4" x 8". Drucksachen handstamp on front. Clean.	\$6.00
111	<u>Great Britain document</u> . 13JUN1913. Pat B0840.01 (B.B/M) on #157(?). ID of Baerlein Bros. Manchester, Garnabteilung inside. This is a huge document noting some sort of bank transaction. Sent to Norway. Nice item - unusual!	\$6.00
112	<u>Great Britain tradecard</u> . 10SEP1898. Pat E3540.01 (EPM/Co/Ld) on #111. ID of the Eastman Photographic Materials Co., Ltd., 43, Clerkenwell Road, London EC. Discovery ID card! Clean.	\$12.00
113	<u>Great Britain cover</u> . 8MAY1978. Pat H5200.01 (HM/SO) on #632' (damaged) & #771. Cover marked On Her Majesty's Service with ID of Her Majesty's Stationery Office, 29 Gee Street, London EC1V 3RN on front. 6" x 8 1/4". Address label removed.	\$1.50
114	<u>Great Britain entire</u> . 3SEP1992. Pat N0510.08 (NC) on #1401 (split pat). ID is on enclosed letter (City of Nottingham, Leisure and Community Services). Letter talks about a jewelry collection being redisplayed at Nottingham Castle Museum. Slogan cancel. 4 1/4" x 8 3/4". Sent to Germany. Clean.	\$5.00
115	<u>Great Britain cover</u> . 30MAY1973. Pat P0120.01M (PAC) on #627. ID of The Prudential Assurance Company Limited, Holborn Bars, London EC1N 2NH on flap. 4 1/4" x 9". Clean.	\$1.50
116	<u>Great Britain prepaid cover</u> . Pat P0210.01 (PAL/L) on #622 & #697. ID (address) of Provident Life Association of London, Limited, Provident House, 246, Bishopsgate, London. EC2M 4QP. Stamps have not been cancelled/card unused. 3 1/2" x 5 1/2".	\$2.00
117	<u>Great Britain censored cover</u> . 16MAY1917. Pat S1624.01 (S&Co.) on #160. ID of Stavely & Co., The Temple, Dale St., Liverpool on flap. This is a discovery ID cover! 3 1/2" x 6". Sent to USA. Clean.	\$10.00
118	<u>Great Britain cover</u> . 24JUL1945. Pat S6440.11 (S&S) on #248 & #263. ID of Sutton & Sons, Limited, Reading on flap. Via North Atlantic Air Service typed on front. 3 3/4" x 6". Clean.	\$4.00
119	<u>Great Britain cover</u> . 20MAR1923. Pat W1300.04 (W&Co) on #160 & #152 (damaged). ID of Geo. W. Wheatley & Co. Ltd., 95 Upper Thames Street, London, E.C.4 on front. Pretty advertising cachet printed on back. Sent to Germany. 3 1/2" x 6". Opened roughly at top (still nice looking, especially the back).	\$6.00
120	<u>Netherlands card</u> . 21NOV1943. Pat PZV50 (P.Z.V./50) through #251 and the card to which it is attached. Card is some sort of souvenir. Pretty card with a souvenir cancellation.	\$10.00
121	<u>Victoria stamped envelope</u> . 1JUL1924. This is an official cover with Id red stamp printed on it and "OS" printed just like a perfin on stamp. First one I've seen. ID of Education Department Melbourne on front with markings of On His Majesty's Service and the note about illegal use. Due marking on front with a spot where the postage due stamp was removed. 4" x 8 3/4". Unusual!	\$15.00



US STAMPS

Lot	Pat	Scott#	Rate	Notes					
122	A3	332	C	Clipped at left	192	H169	503	C	Faint crease, nat SEL
123	A21	582	C-DY	Perf flts, preper style 43	193	H178	406	C	Clipped at top and bottom
124	A60	400A	E	Perf flts. Cat \$10.50!	194	H211	405	D	
125	A99	E11	E	2 complete strikes	195	H219	406	C	
126	A192	642	C		196	H219	425	C	
127	A221-12	634	C		197	I.5	1052	F	Pair
128	A258	406	C		198	I5	832	F	
129	B40	Q9	D	Thin, creases, pulled corner perf	199	I5	1052	F	
130	B82	406	C		200	I41	406	C	Corner crease, 3 perfs clipped at right
131	B103	549	E	Nat SET, sm face scuff	201	I91-14	406	C	
132	B110	332	C	Perf flts	202	I91-14	529	C	
133	B152	332	C		203	J18	332	C	
134	B164	406	C		204	J71	406	C	
135	B239	E16	F	2 copies, 1 ok, 1 tear, creases	205	J78	406	C	Nat SEB, few short perfs
136	B239	832	F		206	J137	426(?)	C	Wrinkle
137	C4	374	C		207	J140	406	C	
138	C30	406	C		208	J158	406	C	1 short perf
139	C59	715	C		209	J182	406	C	
140	C73.5	1294	B		210	K47	332	C	Perf flts
141	C85	E21	F		211	K65	634	C	Nice pattern!
142	C105.5	425	B		212	L29	499	C	
143	C108	331	B	Clipped top and bottom	213	L37	406	C	
144	C128	334	B		214	L46	406	C	
145	C140	499	C	Creases, perf flts, nat SER	215	L67	406	C	
146	C157	378	C	Nat SEB	216	L73	637	C	1 blunt perf
147	C197	406	C	Shallow thin	217	L93	501	C	Pat just touches at bottom
148	C221	331	C	Sm face scuff, nat SET	218	L93	406	C	Creases, perf flts
149	C247	554	B	Nat SEB	219	L101	501	C	
150	C267	406	C		220	L145.5	820	C	
151	C340	E13	CY	Nat SET; NY/NY preper style L-11E	221	L187	319f	E	
152	C364	406	C	Nat SET	222	M26	406	B	
153	C364	406	C		223	M36	554	C	Perf flts
154	C407	406	C		224	M55	331	C	Nat SEL, partial 2nd strike
155	D9	552	C	Rich color! Nat SER	225	M121	463	B	Thins, rounded corner, pat ok
156	D35	406	C		226	M132	508	C	Blunt perfs
157	D54	499	C		227	M140	434(?)	C	Creases, 1h
158	D115.7	1394	C		228	M234	406	C	
159	E4	529	C		229	M253	E19	E	
160	E9	406	C	Perf flts	230	M270	406	C	
161	E17	406	C	Small tear	231	M277	332	C	
162	E110	406	C		232	M282	406	C	
163	E118	406	C		233	M311	506	B	
164	E122	406	C	Few short perfs, nat SER	234	N59	331	C	3 clipped perfs UL
165	E136A	406	C		235	N69	720	C	
166	F145	E8	D	Nice stamp!	236	N109	641	E	Mint not hinged!
167	F153	C11	E	2 complete strikes	237	N113Aa13	499	B	
168	F223	406	C	Perf flts	238	N113ABb12	720	C	
169	G14	565	C		239	N113Bb2a	811	C	
170	G14	634	C	Perf flts	240	N113C8	901	C	
171	G28	1208	C	Crease	241	N119	375	C	
172	G40	406	C	Nat SEB	242	N121	375	C	Nat SER
173	G43	530	C	Sm face scuff	243	N190	406	C	
174	G68	425	C	Corner creases	244	O9	634	B	
175	G72-1	C11	E	2 complete strikes	245	O100	419	C	Nat SET, heavy cancel, perf flts, sm stain
176	G77	E15	C	Mirror images on this stamp! 3h	246	P62	E19	C	Nice stamp!
177	G80	406	C		247	P111	332(?)	C	Tear, perf flts
178	G83	406	C		248	P116	517	B-DY	NYC preper style L-5.6E
179	G109	699	C		249	P182	632	CX	Reading PA preper style 225
180	G182	426	C		250	P204	331	C	
181	G194	406	C		251	P214	406	C	
182	G195	406	C	Small tear	252	P230	425	C	
183	G200	634	B		253	Q10	406	C	
184	G212	504	C		254	R103	332	C	Perfs clipped top and bottom
185	H26	499	C		255	R105	562	C	Nat SET/SER, creases, sm thin
186	H44	332	B	Clipped at top and right	256	R105	583	C	
187	H47	696	C		257	S2-24	720	C	
188	H75	406	C		258	S11	406	C	Nat SET, small tear
189	H82	406	C		259	S37	406	C	
190	H90	406	C	Few perfs clipped at right	260	S79	463	C	Nat SET
191	H149	406	C		261	S191.5	Var	F	1045;1046;1047;1286 50 stamps-50(14)
					262	S195-50	638	C	Blunt perfs
					263	S244	406	C	Perf flts

264	S244	462	C	Face scuff, crease, 1h
265	T15	499	B	Perf flts, 1h
266	T87	406	C	
267	T95	499	B	1h
268	T115	406	C	1 short perf
269	U13	338	C	Heavy cancel
270	U55A	1035	C	
271	W12	375	F	Unused pair with BEP imprint at bottom.
272	W130	332	C	
273	W133	406	C	
274	W146.5	429	C	2 shallow thins
275	W156	581	CV	Perf flts,corner thin;crease. Preper.
276	W158	332	C	Face thin at LL corner
277	W199-19	634	C	
278	Des 10	406	C	
279	Des 13	332	C	Nice stamp!
280	Des 14	306	E	Nat SET
281	Des 25	406	C	
282	Des 40.5	685	B	
283	Sch 14	344	O	Schermack
284	Sch 44	344	N	Schermack
285	Sch 74	344	O	Schermack

#### US REVENUES

Lot	Description	QNTY
286	Mix. 8 DDF with pattern C209.	8(1)
287	Mix. MDD including 3 wine stamps perfin'd.	73(7)

#### US MIXES AND LARGE LOTS

Lot	Description	QNTY
288	Mix. 3 ADD D rated prepers.	3(2)
289	Mix. 17 ADD E&F rated prepers.	17(4)
290	Mix. 66 ADD D rated perfins. Many early stamps.	66(16)
291	Mix. 80 ADD. Values to 50c.	83(20)
292	Mix. 120 ADD E&F rated perfins. Letters N-Design. Nice spread of stamps with values to \$1.	120(26)
293	Mix. 179 ADD E&F rated perfins. Letters A-M. Nice spread of stamps with values to \$1.	179(30)
294	Mix. Very nice mix with a good range of values (to \$1). Much variety (defins-246;airs-13;prepers-20;SD-4;PP-3;locals-3;revs-77;comms-27;world-15 countries/37 stamps MDD/ADD. Plus there are 2 huge IL beer stamps. Recommended!	432(79)

The following lots are from one man's dupes. Not checked for rates or "better" stamps. You may find anything in here. Expect 10%-25% damage, duplication - heavy on some patterns. Many different dies (ADD) overall with an even larger number of different stamps (DDF). Great for a type collector or a beginner. No attempt was made to count the number of different patterns, face different stamps, or damaged. ENJOY!

295	Letter A - 191 stamps
296	Letter B - 1062 stamps
297	Letter C - 665 stamps
298	Letter D - 200 stamps
299	Letter E - 46 stamps; letter F-86 stamps
300	Letter G - 257 stamps
301	Letter H - 82 stamps; J-46 stamps; K-12 stamps
302	Letter I - 462 stamps
303	Letter L - 191 stamps
304	Letter M - 405 stamps
305	Letter N - 1045 stamps
306	Letter O - 26 stamps; R-168 stamps; V-8 stamps; Z-5 stamps
307	Letter P - 723 stamps
308	Letter S - 448 stamps
309	Letter T - 380 stamps
310	Letter U - 263 stamps
311	Letter W - 394 stamps

#### US COVERS

Lot	Description	EST
312	Post card. 29MAY1918. Pat A267A (ATC) on #498. No ID but known to be from the American Tobacco Company. This is one of those WWI thank you cards for a tobacco kit. The message side reads, "From a soldier in France....". Faint AEF censor and the card is sunburned	

	(yellowed). E rated. Still a desirable item. \$10.00
313	Cover. 10DEC1966. Pat C85 (C(CO)) on #1283 (strip of 3), ID on flap is an address (335 Ridge Avenue, Winnetka, Illinois 60093). Known to be Cook County NYC. New user? 5" x 6". F rated. Clean. \$1.50
314	Cover. 23SEP1942. C219 (CNB) on #808. ID of The Chase Natic Bank, Wall Street P.O. Station, New York, NY on front. F rated. 10". Opened roughly at top. Slogan cancellation. \$1.00
315	Picture postcard. 22DEC1913. Pat C264 (CPA) on #405. No ID but known to be the Cluett Peabody Co. Lovely multicolor Christmas card with winter scene & pine decorations. E rated. VF cond. \$4.00
316	Cover. 31MAR1923. Pat C337 ((C(T-))sq) on #503 (wrinkles). ID of Irving Bank-Columbia Trust Company, Bronx Office, 148th Street and Third Avenue, New York, NY on front. B rated. This is an ID cover! Cover rough around the edges but presentable. 4" x 9 1/2". Scarce perfin. Slogan postmark. \$10.00
317	Cover. 30AUG1924. Pat C337 ((C(T-))sq) on #556. ID of Irving Bank-Columbia Trust Company, Bronx Office, 148th Street and Third Avenue, New York, NY on front. B rated. This is an ID cover! Cover rough around the edges but presentable. 4" x 9 1/2". Scarce perfin. Slogan postmark. \$10.00
318	Cover. 30JUN1925. Pat C337 ((C(T-))sq) on #587. ID of Irving Bank-Columbia Trust Company, Bronx Office, 148th Street and Third Avenue, New York, NY on front. B rated. This is an ID cover! Cover rough around the edges but presentable. 4" x 9 1/2". Scarce perfin. Slogan postmark. \$10.00
319	Strip. 31OCT1944. Pat D67 (DM/CO) on #811. ID of Dennison Manufacturing Company, 2100 Lewis Tower Bldg., Philadelphia PA. This is a new office! E rated. \$1.50
320	Cover. 16NOV1934. Pat F17 (FA/B) on #634. ID of The Fifth Avenue Bank of New York, 530 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY on front. Red cross slogan cancel. 3 1/2" x 6". 3h. E rated. Clean. \$2.50
321	Cover. 28MAR1938. Pat G72-44 (G(E)) on #634 (pair). ID of General Electric Company, 113 S. Salina Street, Syracuse, NY on front. This office is unlisted in the catalogue! D rated cover. 4" x 9 1/2". Clean cover. \$5.00
322	Cover. 17MAY1948. Pat G132 (GN) on #807. ID of Great North Railway Co. & seal on front. Blaine & Seattle TR 359(?) RPO cancel. 3 1/2" x 6". F rated. Clean. \$4.00
323	Cover. 20JUN1939. Pat K42 (KL/&CO) on #810 (block of 4 + single). ID of Kuhn. Loeb & Co, New York on front. Sent registered mail to Germany. Nice "Queen Mary" handstamp in blue on front. Also an "AIR" in oval marking on front. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Clean, nice cover! D rated. \$12.00
324	Cover. 29SEP1933. Pat L15 (LA/CO) on #705 & 707. ID of Los Angeles County, Agricultural Commissioner, 524 No. Spring St, Los Angeles, California on front. 4" x 9 1/2". F rated. Clean. \$2.00
325	Cover. 19OCT1933. Pat L15 (LA/CO) on #729. ID of Los Angeles County, Agricultural Commissioner, 524 No. Spring St, Los Angeles, California on front. 4" x 9 1/2". F rated. Clean. \$2.00
326	Cover. 4AUG1939. Pat L183 (L&M) on #567 & #570. ID of Liggett & Myers Tobacco Co. Inc., 630 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY on front. Sent to Hong Kong. Slogan cancel. E rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Clean. \$5.00
327	Cover. FEB1929. Pat M241 (MSC) on #634. No ID but known to be the Michigan State College. Split pattern missing 8h. 3" x 4 1/2". D rated. Small clean cover. \$1.00
328	Front. 9NOV1917. Pat S29 (SAL) on #499. ID of Seaboard Air Line Railway with advertising. Folded twice (doesn't affect perfin). E rated. 4 1/2" x 10". "L" of SAL just off. \$1.00
329	Advertising cover. 9NOV1921. Pat S172 (SL(I)) on #499 & #510. ID of The State Life Insurance Company, Indianapolis on front along with a picture of the company's building. 4" x 9 1/2". Registered with return receipt demanded - including posting and receiving backstamps. D rated. Pretty cover! \$15.00
330	Cover. 21AUG1943. Pat S318 (SW/D) on #901. ID of Southwestern Drug Corporation, Box 1639, Houston, Texas on front. Slogan cancel. 4" x 9 1/2". C rated. Folded once (stamp ok). Clean. \$7.50
331	Entire. 23MAR1951. Pat U41 (U(M)) on #806. ID of University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri on front. Enclosure is an industrial education program bulletin of 1951. F rated. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Clean. \$3.50

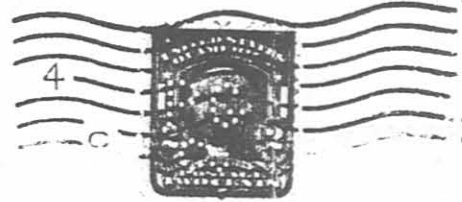
IV MALAY-ASIA, OCEANIC ISLAND

	COMPANY	LOCATION
NETHERLANDS EAST INDIES		
A1	Burtt Myrtle & Co. Ltd.	Batavia, Soerabaja
A2		
A3	Erdman & Sielke	Batavia
A4	Gunsel & Schumacher	Medan
A5		
A6	Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corp.	Soerabaja
A7	N.V. Handelsvereniging Amsterdam	Soerabaja
A8		Batavia
A9		Padanj
A10	Mahirat Sumatra Plantagen Co.	Pematang, Siantar
A11		Weltevreden
A12	Nederlandsch-Indische Spoorwegen	Batavia, Semarang
A13	P.A. Regnault's Verf-, Inkt & Blikfabrieken N.V.	Batavia, Djocjakarta
A14	N.V. Chemicaliën Handel Rathkamp & Co.	Weltevreden
A15	R.S. Stokvis & Zonen	Soerabaja
A16		Soerabaja
A17	Sie Dhian Hö en Zonen	Soerabaja
A18		
A19		
A20	N.V. Stoomvaart Maatschappij Nederland	Batavia
A21	N.V. Stoomvaart Maatschappij Nederland	Batavia
A22	N.V. Handel Maatschappij Tio Tek Hong	Weltevreden
A23	Dienst voor Waterkracht en Electriciteit	Bandoeng

NOTES:

1. For further information regarding perfins of the Netherlands and colonies consult Catalogus van de perfins von Nederland en og by Jan L. Verhoeven who granted permission to use information found there.
2. Perfin type A20 is sometimes found with a missing "S."
3. Types A14 and A20 are found on stamps with many other town cancels.

MAIN EXTENSION DEPARTMENT  
THE PEOPLES GAS LIGHT & COKE COMPANY  
MICHIGAN AVENUE AND ADAMS STREET  
CHICAGO



Brand Brewery Co.,  
1251 Elston Ave.,  
Chicago, Ill.

The Peoples Gas Light & Coke Compa-  
ny - P95

Don Haynes (#2890)

Perfin pattern P95 graces this August 22, 1908, cover on the top of this page. The corner card identifies the user, The Peoples Gas Light & Coke Company. The company was located on Michigan Avenue and Adams Streets in Chicago, IL.

The PG/Co certainly corresponds to the company name. I have submitted a copy of this cover to the US Catalog Editor. Hopefully, he will include the user's name and location in the next revision of *The Catalog of United States Perfins*.

P61 - Additional Information

Dave Smith (#1514)

The cover shown at the bottom of this page gives us a meaning for the cryptic "D.D.P of Amn." listed in the *Catalog of US Perfins* for the user of perfin pattern P61.

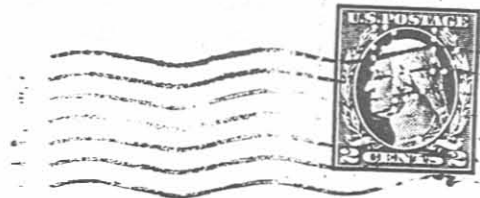
The corner card identifies the user as "The Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers of America." It also lists Charles J. Lammert as the General Secretary and Treasurer (G.S.-T.) of the organization that used drawer 99, Lafayette, IN as its mailing address. A copy has been sent to the US Catalog Editor.



OFFICE OF CHAS. J. LAMMERT, G. S.-T.

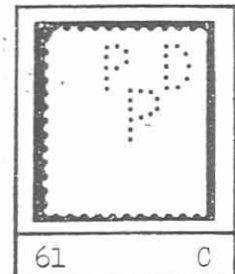
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RETURN AFTER FIVE DAYS

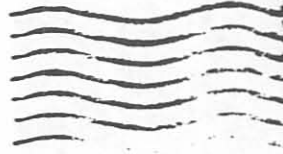


*Chas. J. Lammert*

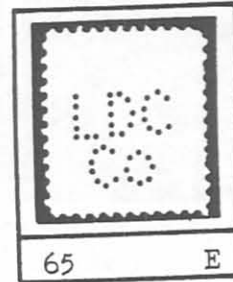
Mr. W. G. Shea,  
4606 Euclid Ave.,



The L. D. Caulk Company  
Laboratories Milford, Delaware



Geo. L. Claflin Company  
150-160 Dorrance Street  
Providence, Rhode Island



### L-65 - The L.D. Caulk Company

Donald E. Haynes (#2890)

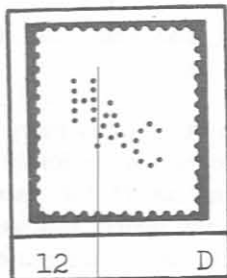
This above cover, postmarked "MILFORD, DEL. 4:30 PM, August 8, 1932" with the accompanying corner card leaves no doubt about the location of Milford. Unfortunately, *The Catalog of United States Perfins*, lists the state as CT. A copy has been forwarded to John Randall, the US Catalog Editor for inclusion in the next revision to the catalog.

### Foreign Cancels on US Perfins - H12

Willem Smetsers (L101)

In previous editions there was a rather lively discussion of a "Port-Au-Prince" cancel on a US perfin (see *TPB*, January 1993, p. 23 and *TPB*, March 1993, pages 47 and 49-50). Here is another explanation.

This reply cover shown below was sent to Cuba, franked with a copy of perfin pattern H12. Because the cover could not be returned without Cuban postage, a Cuban stamp was added.

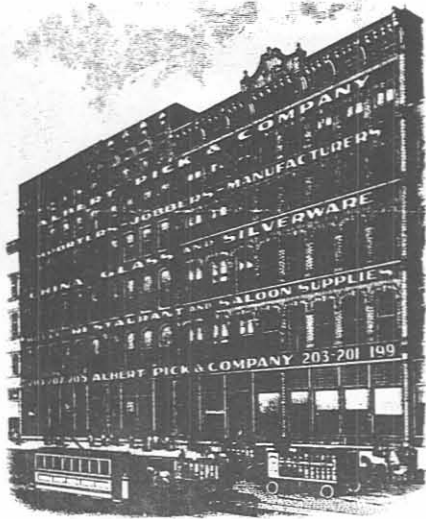


APPLETON & COX, INC., ATT'Y.

No. 1 SOUTH WILLIAM STREET,

NEW YORK.

RETURN IN 5 DAYS TO  
**ALBERT PICK & COMPANY**



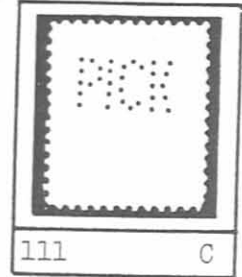
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**CHICAGO, U.S.A.**



Brand Brew. Co.,

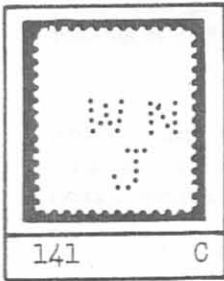
#1251 Elston

City



INSURANCE COMPANY OF NORTH AMERICA,  
WESTERN DEPARTMENT  
76 W. MONROE STREET, CHICAGO, ILL.  
W. N. JOHNSON, GEN'L AGENT,

Return, if not called for in five days.



VIRGIL STOCKON,  
CARROLLTON,

OHIO.

### A Confirmation and a New Identification

Don Haynes (#2890)

The 1908 mailing from the windy city confirms that the users' name was "Albert Pick & Company." This is a second confirmation that the name "Albert Pick Co" in *Catalog of U.S. Perfins* is an incomplete name. The original report of this was reported by Roy Gault (#744). That report was illustrated and listed on page 31 of the February 1192 issue. It is interesting to note that the firm listed its address as 199-201-203-205-207-209 Randolph Street rather than 199-209 Randolph Street. We also learn from this cover that the company was Jobbers - Importers - Manufactures. Apparently the company specialty

was silverware, glass, and china for the hotel, restaurant, and saloon trade.

One of the problems that faces every us every time that we find a cover with a previously unidentified user is do the initials fit the user. Well, "WN/J" certainly does not match "Insurance Company of North America." But it is a perfect match for "W.N. Johnson." Johnson's office was located at 76 W. Monroe St, Chicago, IL. According to the corner card, he was the general agent of the Western Division of the Western Division of the Insurance Company of North America in 1913. Perhaps someone with access to a city directory of that era can let us know if Johnson was connected with other insurance companies.

Save time and money  
for you and for us.



Thank You!

Envelope Back

### United Telephone of Florida



#### BE/NY Modern Usage

Jim Estes (#2649)

At a local meeting of the Central Florida Stamp Club, I came across the cover shown at the top of this page. It has 16 two-cent Frank Lloyd Wright stamps with a perfin that looks like BE/NY. The cover has an illegible cancel except that it is from ZIP 2601. It is dated April 1993 and I can not think of any conceivable 32¢ rate that existed in 1993. Were the date April 1995, the rate would be easily explained, but this article was originally submitted for publication on July 3, 1993.

The envelope was sent to the United Telephone Company of Florida, which is located in Apopka, FL. If you have any ideas about this cover or its value, I would appreciate your thoughts.

**The Missouri Mule** Winter 1994-5 arrived. True to its promise, this Club journal is slowly catching missing issues. This mailing included a Sun City, AZ precancel and the Club's membership list. Interesting to note that only 27 of the Missouri Club's membership are from MO.

#### More Bosnian Tales (Holey Ones)

by Lieut Col. J. Hewgill, M.B.E., Retd.

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During a recent enforced rest, I have sorted my Bosnian stamps and put all my perfins together.

For the uninitiated PERFINs are stamps with perforated initials - used to deter light-fingered villains.

I have identified the following:

P.L.B.	Privilegirtes Landesbank
P.A.K.B.	Privat Agar und Kornevzial Bank
E.Z.	Eisenindustrial Zenice

Can anyone identify the following from covers or otherwise please:

CbM	Posted in Mostar
HFS	All mint 1990 Issue
SRP	Posted in Sarajevo
STP	Posted in Sarajevo
LB	cds not identifiable
LH	Posted in Sarajevo 1
MKR	Posted in Sarajevo 1

#### MANUSCRIPT CANCELS.

I have also sorted out a lot of manuscript cancels. These can arise for four main reasons.

1. Mail posted at Postablagen (or Post Offices) before cancelers were received.
2. By post offices receiving uncanceled letters.
3. By station staff who emptied post boxes (at mainline stations and 'Halstelle') before handing them over to T.P.O.s. I have no hard confirmation of this, only from comments on exhibition displays. However, I have 30 stamps with 'Bhf' or 'Bahnhof' written on the stamp where there was no post office.
4. Where stamps were used for other purposes.

The following are apparent examples of the last category, with no document attached to explain the usage.

#### Einzugs Gebühr - translates as Entry Fee

I have 13 of these on 5 kreuzer red stamps and 6 others, so it is apparently a normal usage.

With postmarks I have singles of 5 kreuzer red with ZVORNIK (2), GLAMOC, PODROMANJA (2) - 1 dated 8/8/90.

In pairs on 10 heller red 1900, three from KUPRES dated 6th, 7th and 29th.12.04. The 29.12.04 is on a parcel card piece from TRAVNIK.

On singles of 10 heller red, including FPE NIB, PRIBOJ, and ZVORNIK dated 1.01.

Can anyone suggest why an entry fee should be paid using stamps, usually with no date, but including the above examples with cancellations?

#### Ruckschein

I have one example of the 1890 10 kreuzer blue. Has anyone seen this on a Ruckschein or other returned or receipted document?

#### AVIS REQUITUR - Advice of Settlement?

I have one example on 1890 kreuzer blue. In U.K. stamps were used to pay revenue duty on cheques and receipts. I have not found any equivalent requirement in Bosnian references, since there were fiscal stamps readily available. I have no examples of this on the 400 odd fiscals in my collection.

#### **A Shaggy Romanian Dog Story**

Gene W. Wilkin (#2977)

The 20 stamp collectors gathering this second Sunday morning "look" like any other group engaged in our hobby but they speak Romanian and from what I could see collect only Romanian stamps.

The room overlooks "23 August Street", named for the Russian takeover long ago, and I am on assignment as a volunteer Executive for the International Executive Service Corps working with a brand new FM radio station in Brasov, Romania.

Clutching a copy of the Catalog of Romanian Perfins, my quest is to find out if anyone can identify some of the blank spaces or if anyone has some duplicates to sell. Told by a radio staff member that one collector speaks English that source requests I "come back next week. We have one member who collects perfins."

The following Sunday he appears and I bring out the catalog. There is momentary confusion as the map on the cover is not the entire country. Part of Transylvania is missing. A political statement is



being made of which I am unaware.

Almost all the collectors present gather around and for ten minutes there is a feverish discussion. Nothing gets identified, but the calm atmosphere is temporarily broken.

I ask if the perfin collector has any duplicates and am quickly told by the English-speaking gentleman "But -- that is his collection." For a moment I saw this bulging mass of "A's" so copies do exist. A very substantial number of Romanian perfins are listed as A or B.

Looking around the room as things went back to quiet time. I note by far the majority of the collectors are working with "mint, never-hinged" stamps. At one table I was offered a small book containing US stamps. They were so brittle that even with stamp tongs there was a distinct danger of shattering.

With salaries at 70 - 90 US dollars a month, a wait of 14 to 14 years for a telephone, and despite finding enormous talent at the radio station, Romania appears to be in a time-warp between 1926 and 1938. In the nearby plaza, Panasonic has a small store with new TV sets and video camera for sale. The natives call it "the museum" as it would take two years of their income to buy one of the larger TV sets.

Oh -- the "shaggy dog." He was parked comfortably and totally unnoticed on the street outside the hotel where the stamp collectors were working.

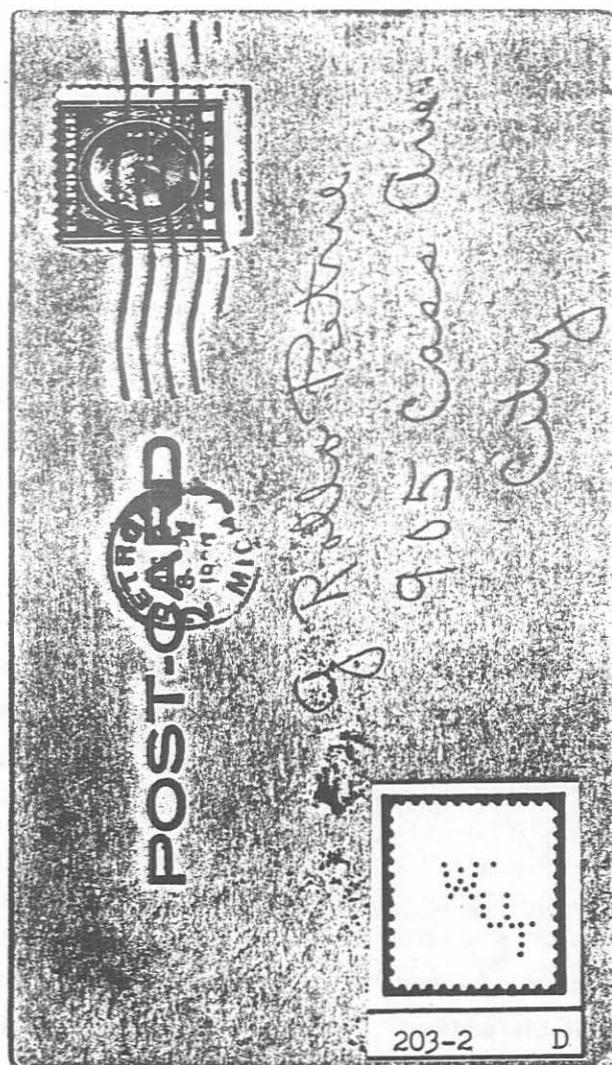
Having lived with "four-leggeds" for 70-plus years, my heart went out to him along with my hands and between-the-paws scratching and a behind-the-ears rubbing. He gratefully (and liberally) licked my hand.

Later that night, I was struck with the Romanian version of Montezuma's revenge (a.k.a. Dracula's revenge). I was ready to blame a restaurant where I had another version of the ever-present "porc" until I remembered not washing my hands after massaging the shaggy dog.

Rare or not, I can attest that Romaninan perfins do exist and the map of today's Romania does include Transylvania.

## Western Union Telegraph Company - W203-2

John F. Lyding (LM102)



The *Catalog of United States Perfins* list perfin pattern W203-2 as being used in Chicago, IL and the appendix lists additional cities of usage as Grand Rapids, MI and Minneapolis, MN. The card shown above has perfin pattern W203-2 and the CDS plainly shows Detroit, Michigan usage. The August 13, 1920 date slug is not quite as clear.

The rear of the card, shown on the back cover, confirms the August 13, 1920 date and not only provides the message, "Wire quick, will you be in Saturday. /s/ Howard." This also confirms the Detroit address as 886 Woodward, Detroit.

The Perfins Bulletin  
1700 Beaver Ridge Drive  
Kettering, OH 45429

Second Class  
Postage Paid  
at Dayton, OH  
USPS No. 120-490

P-L111/412/N  
P.A. MISTRETTA  
722 INDIAN MANOR COURT  
STONE MOUNTAIN, GA 30083

### Ed Hoyt Passes Away

We regret to inform our members that Vice President Ed Hoyt has passed away during the month of June. Ed became Vice President in January 1986 and his return address was a familiar note on the envelope welcoming new members. Ed also was a frequent contributor the *The Perfins Bulletin*.

Condolances may be sent to Mrs. Hoyt at 225 W. Coover-Rear #2, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055.

*When you will you be in*  
Form 26 A  
THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY  
INCORPORATED  
*Saturday, Aug 13, 1920*  
Please call at 886 Woodward Detroit  
(Street and No.) (City)  
and get a telegram (No. B167 dated Aug 12)  
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suitable address. It may be had on presentation of this notice, or it will  
be sent to you upon request.  
Time mailed      M.       
*H. Bouma*  
Manager

A photocopy has been forwarded to the US Catalog Editor for inclusion in the supplemental data appendix.

### Late Club News

William (Bill) Gersh (#1825) has been appointed Club Treasurer to fill the unexpired term of the late Jackson Southern. He will fill the term of office

that Jack started January 1, 1995, until 1997. Bill's address is 8923 East Palm Ridge Dr., Scottsdale, AZ 85260-7535.

Rudy J. Roy, Jr. (#1124) has been appointed to fill the unexpired term of Vice President Edward S. Hoyt who had resigned for health reasons. Rudy's address is PO Box 5367, Virginia Beach, VA 23455-0367.

# The *Perfins* Bulletin

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## Notes From Here and There

### Nomination of Officers

President Kurt Ottenheimer has appointed Dick Mewhinney, Gerri Lorenzo, and John Lyding as the 1995 nominating committee. Their task is to nominate individuals to serve as Vice President and Secretary for the terms 1996-1999.

Rudy Roy is the incumbent Vice President. He was appointed to fill the remaining portion of Ed Hoyt. Ralph W. Smith is the incumbent Secretary. Both Rudy and Ralph have indicated that they are willing to continue in office.

Send a letter to Dick Mewhinney to nominate an other individual or to second the nomination of either Rudy and Ralph. Dick's address is: 33 Carlton Avenue Washington, NJ 07882.

### Walker Appointed Assistant Foreign Catalog Editor

On June 13, 1995, President Kurt Ottenheimer appointed Floyd A. Walker (L105) to the position of Assistant Foreign Catalog Editor.

Floyd is a long time member of the Club and was editor of *The Perfins Bulletin* twice. Floyd succeeded Dave Stump in August 1971 and he held the editor's post until September 1974. In January 1980, Floyd replaced Ray Crow as editor. He held the position until the Paul A. Mistretta became editor September 1983.

Floyd will be working with Schwerdt on several catalog projects. The first one is a set of Additions and Corrections Pages for the Bavarian catalog, originally prepared some years ago by John Needham. If you have information that should be included in the Bavarian catalog, Floyd asks that you contact him.

Address correspondence to: Floyd A. Walker, PO Box 82, Grandview, MO 64030.

## From other literature

"Nipper," the Victor Talking Machine Company's trademark (*American Philatelist*, June 1995, pp. 530-533) was written by Albert Spencer (#1261) and includes an illustration of a 1911 Victor Talking Machine Cover franked with a "VTM/Co." perfin. Al is the former cover sales coordinator. He has written extensively for U.S. and British philatelic publications.

Ken Lawrence's article "Perforated Insignia - The 'Hole' Story," covers perfins from May 4, 1908 through modern times. It also answers the question, "What ever happened to the APS perforator," recently addressed to me by a new member. The treatment of coded control perfins used on Schermack private coils added by a Mailometer stamp-affixing machine is especially enlightening.

The June issue of *The Perfin Society Bulletin* continues "More from The Sloper Ledgers," "Member's Comments on Previous Articles," 1922 Irish Overprints Perfins" "Ipswich Perfins/Perforators" and an article on "Storing and Displaying Perfins."

*The Precancel Forum*, June issue contains "State Notes - AR and AZ," "T&T Official Update #25," "Austria Newspaper Tax Stamps," and the Official Postal Service Precancel Device Ordering Procedures. The July issue's diverse table of contents includes a wide range of material including, "Help Beginners", "Precancels! ...by George!", "Jensen Beach, FL", "Flag Precancels" and a myriad of other interesting items.

*Texas Precancels*, May 1995, reports that their Fall Meeting will be held at the Hilltop Inn, October 20 and 21 (See Calendar.) Also seen, A request for Enclosures, Minutes of the Spring Business Meeting, and a listing of active Texas Post Offices that never had a precancel device.

*The Missouri Mule*, Spring 1995 sporting "published Almost Quarterly" in its masthead arrived in July. This issue which almost has caught up with the calendar brings a report of Mulefest '95.

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Nonmember subscriptions are \$20.00 (\$23.00 in Canada - \$25.00 else where). Back issues, if available, may be purchased from the Secretary.

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Bulletin Editor: John F. Lyding; P.O.Box 3342; Crofton, MD 21114-3342

Crofton, Maryland, July 24, 1995

When I was looking forward to retirement, I thought that I would have time to burn. Several retirees warned me that I would find that not to be true. They were right, but I expect that my life will settled down into a smoother routine.

The big day was June 30th. We spent about half a day sorting out the numerous plaques and gifts that I receive. Of course, I was able to take a very long weekend including the 4th. On Saturday, the 8th., our daughter and two granddaughters arrived from Las Vegas. Karen is touring Europe this summer and Evelyn and I have the pleasure of two charming grandchildren until she returns.

On the 13th. we all drove to Aiken, South Carolina to visit with our youngest and her family. This put four adults and seven children in the house. Aiken does have a stamp store, something that is missing from many cities nowadays.

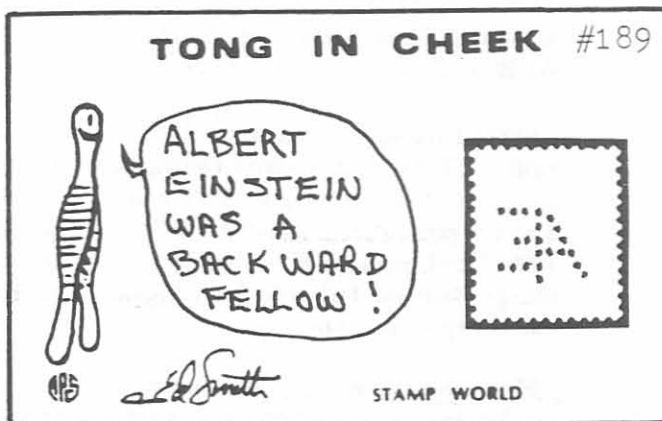
We came back on the 20th. That put a hole in my plan to mail this issue of the Bulletin to Helen on the 15th. By the way, Helen is the real reason why your copy appears on time like clockwork. I will be giving a talk to the Women's Highway Safety Federation on the 28th. Unfortunately, I will not be able to make it to our annual meeting until August 2nd and will be departing on the 3rd. Karen returns on the 4th. and we leave for our Alaskan trip on August 10th.

I attended a small local stamp bourse in Rockville, Maryland on July 22nd. Among the six dealers I found a single precancel - no perfins. However, I did enjoy looking through several boxes of covers and meeting a dealer who knows Joe Coulbourne and Rudy Roy.

Dues for 1995-96 may be paid by sending a check for \$15.00 (\$18.00 in Canada - \$20.00 elsewhere) to the Secretary, Ralph W. Smith, PO Box 895111, Leesburg, FL 34789. Add \$1.00 for a family membership. Dues increased \$5.00 on June 30, 1995.

The Club does not send dues notices.

John



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The principles embodied in an article entitled "Why Collect Precancels?", could easily be applied to perfins. In addition, the mailing arrived with a "Yel Nat Pk/WY" precancel.

### Potential New Bank of Italy - Follow Up

Bill Cummings (LM25)

The article in June 1995's issue of *TPB* implies a Bank of Italy pattern variety exists. The article brings the opportunity to restate one of the basic ways to establish that an item is not a new pattern.

The method is simple. First, I borrow a piece of tracing paper from my son. (It's a lot easier if you've a copy of pattern B182 and the potential new pattern.) Then, I carefully mark the five holes that do not appear in B182. These are the three that make up the triangle plus two more above and next to the "B." Then, move the tracing paper down and to the right. You'll see that the "triangle" covers the first two holes from the right at top of the "F" and the crossbar hole below them. Perfect match! Even the extra holes next to the "B" fell on the crossbar hole of the "B" and on the third hole up from the bottom.

In this case, we have an easy verdict. Someone probably tried to punch too many sheets at the

same time. The bottom sheet was not satisfactory, only five holes punched out, so they re-punched the sheet. We find that it is not a new pattern at all. Rather, we have pattern B182 with a partial double. Anyone with the actual stamp can verify my hypothesis.

Remember that the partial punch may be inverted.

### A Question for members

David Savadge (LM43)

One frequently finds railroad perfins on picture postcards. For example, four such cards were in the June Perfins Auction. Does anyone know if the railroad companies furnished stamps to their passengers as a courtesy. Did they sell them or give them to passengers? It is hard to consider that these are all unauthorized perfin usages.

### M49.5 - Follow-up

Don Anderson (#293)

On page 29 of the February *Bulletin*, Jim Estes raised a question regarding perfin M49.5. I do not know if this perfin is still being used, but it was, or is, used by the Baltimore "Mayor and City Council." Al Boerger shows this on page 73 of his *Handbook On U.S. Luminescent Stamps*.

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The Secretary's Report  
The Secretary is Ralph W. Smith, PO Box 89511  
Leesburg, FL 34789

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#### NEW MEMBERS:

- 3335 Schaper, Raymond J.; 2 Tiffin Dr.; Pittsburg, PA 15209  
General, Beginner ..... By: Laetsch (#3047)
- 3336 Gallo, Anthony F.; 14 Wianwright Ct.; Williamsville, NY 14221  
Germany, Beginner ..... By: Ottenheimer (LM86)
- 3337 Weeks, John H.; 1969 Park Ave.; Lincoln, NE 68502  
US, Beginner ..... By: Ottenheimer (LM86)
- 3338 Rutgers, Harry J.; Job Hansenstraat 4; 9744 JG Groningen; Netherlands  
Cuba and Holland ..... By: Zandbergen (#2868)

#### Resigned:

- 2858 Buckler, Eugene J.  
2651 Hanson, William J.

#### DECEASED:

- LM79 Rees, Richard W.; 40 Westwood Dr (1A); Fairfield, OH 45014  
LM123 Smit-Seydel, Mrs. S.U.; Oudenhoflaan 1; 2341 LG Oestgeest; Netherlands

Converted to Life Membership:

LM144 Martin, Kenneth P.; 1348 Cottonwood Trail; Sarasota, FL 34232 (Former #3285)

SUMMARY:

Members as of March 31, 1995	836
New Members	+ 4
Resigned	- 2
Deceased	<u>- 2</u>
Members as of April 30, 1995	836

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NEW MEMBERS:

- 3339 Doles, Joseph K.; 34 Carlisle St., Rochester, NY 14615  
Worldwide ..... By: Ottenheimer (LM86)
- 3340 Herman, Morton J.; 18280 Avon, Detroit, MI 48219  
Australia & Japan Intermediate ..... By: Allen (#629)
- 3341 Trinh, Toan; 8671 Creek Wood Ln., Maineville, OH 45039  
US By: Ratzer (LM47)

REINSTATE:

2712 Thaden, Michael E.; 7 Orchard Way North, Rockville, MD 20854

CONVERTED TO LIFE MEMBERSHIP:

L145 Szymanski, ; 10 Claridge Cir.; Milford, MA 01757 (Former 2862)

LIFE MEMBERSHIP Granted under By-Law Provision 2-1(c)

864L Aws, Kenneth D.; 1 Thrush Ln., North Oaks, St. Paul, MN 55127

DECEASED:

1684 DeLisle, Albert B., Jr.; 15433 Boswell Blvd., Sun City, AZ 85351

643 Sothorn, Jackson L.; 1413 Pitman Ave., Palo Alto, CA 94301

RESIGNED

2713 Johnston, Stuart A.

3230 Droessler, William F.

3230 Beckett, Postmaster Norma

ADDRESS CHANGES:

LM59 Tomasson, Gary; #360-1001-13 Ave. S.W.; Calgary, AB, Canada T2R 0L5

LM144 Martin, Kenneth P.; PO Box 8084, State College, PA 16803

1623 McQuown, Robert W.; 15 Woodland Dr. RR#!; Bismark, IL 61814

2780 Stevens, E. Erving; RD#2 Box 15 21983-NY22; Hoosick Falls, NY 12090

SUMMARY:

Members as of April 30, 1995	784
New Members	+ 3
Reinstated	+ 1
Deceased	- 2
Resigned	<u>- 3</u>
Members as of May 31, 1995	835

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The Secretary's Report  
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Leesburg, FL 34789

DECEASED:

292 Hoyt, Edward S.; 225 West Coover-Rear #2; Mechanisburg, PA 17055

1009 Klein, Leo; 81 Ocean Parkway; Brooklyn, NY 11218

1067 Gerstenberger, Alvin; PO Box 907; Glendale, AZ 85311

RESIGNED

3176	Black, Richard C.	3249	Vaccarezza, Fabio	866	Yokota, Hideo R.
3201	Barker, Robert E.	2937	Fowler, John R.	2263	Melberg, Dr. Willy E.
3168	Sedmak, Henry S.	2920	Hill, Jeff D.	3185	Dinoto, Santo J., Jr.

ADDRESS CHANGES:

3065 Shea, William P.; 50 Goodman Dr.; Middletown, CT 06457  
3234 Saxon, Joyce I.; PO Box 709, Suffolk, VA 23439  
3315 Potter, Joan; 222 Pigeon Creek Rd.; Blue Ridge, GA 30513  
3253 Taylor, F.W.B. Jr.; 1617 Hwy 81 East; McDonough, GA 30252  
3262 Hendrickson, Nancy; c/o Kosinski; 8001 Lincoln Ave.; Skokie, IL 60077  
L115 Huecker, Henry S.; PO Box 1427; Mattituck, NY 11952

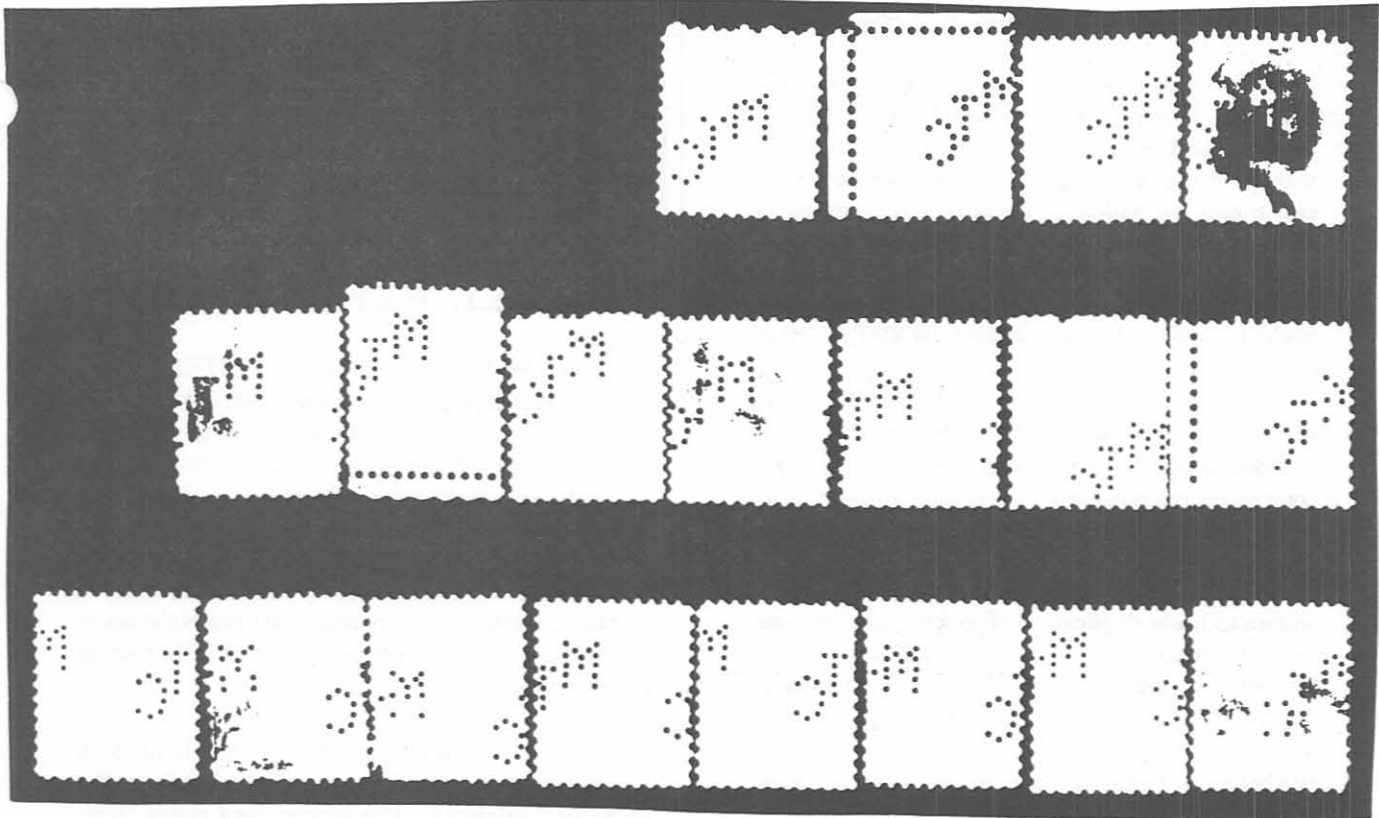
SUMMARY:

Members as of May 31, 1995	835
Deceased	- 3
Resigned	<u>- 9</u>
Members as of June 30, 1995	823

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M259 - MTC Various States

Chuck Spaulding (#2355)



## Want Ads and Notices

Want Ads and Notices are published without charge for Club members on a space available basis. Member are entitled to have one advertisement each year. The Editor may run additional advertisements for members at the discretion of the Editor. Items submitted by non-members may be accepted if space permits and the item is considered of interest by the Editor. Neither the Perfins Club nor the Editor can be held responsible for want ads or notices.

If you wish to place an advertisement or notice in the *Bulletin*, please mail it to the Editor: John Lyding, PO Box 3342, Crofton, MD 21114-3342, USA.

WANTED - The Perfins Club Cover Sales Division urgently needs cover to meet perfins collectors needs. Send your duplicates, marked with your desired selling price. If you are in doubt, our cover sales manage will be glad to help you price material. Contact Millard J. Driscoll, Cover Sales Manager, 301 Driver Ave., Summerville, SC 20483.

WANTED - British Columbia Perfins E5, G21, P16, S11, and W8 to complete my British Columbia perfins that I wish to exhibit. I also require covers with perfins used in B.C. If you have any of the above and are willing to trade or sell them, please write. I am also interested in receiving approvals or trading world wide perfins. I have many duplicates of Aust., GB, and many W/W non-perfin stamps to trade as well. Kevin Kienlein (#3037), 3101-18 Ave., Vernon, B.C. V1T 1C6.

PRICE LIST - Send an SASE to Bob Murin (LM2), PO Box 10100, St. Petersburg, FL 33733-0100 for a copy of his price list #83. This is a two page listing of A, B, and C rated perfins.

WANTED - Worldwide design pattern collector wishes to trade duplicate perfins for design patterns needed. Write a postcard to C. Jean Kilmer, Penny Retirement Community, PO Box 991, Penny Farms, FL 32079-0991.

WANTED - Great Britain: 1d red with Copestake Hugh Crampton & Co. underprint and perfin on same stamp. Top price for top quality. Stellan Swenson: Odonbäsvägen 32, S-29341; Olofströh, Sweden.

FOR SALE - The time has come to resign from the Perfin Club. Perfins are getting hard to come upon. I will hold onto to my railroad collection, but will sell my *Catalog of United States Perfins* containing 1,200 perfins if anyone is interested. John R. Fowler (#2937), RD 2 Box 39, Underhill, VT 05489.

WANTED - All perfin designs on U.S. *Scott Catalogue* number 1285, the 8¢ Albert Einstein stamp. As I am an Einstein collector, I need any items relative to Einstein or to the Equation "E=mc". Harry Flower (#3158); 3 Wheaton Center, Apt. #315; Wheaton, IL 60187.

WANTED - Several different pattern on *Scott Catalogue* numbers 556, 585, 601, 662, 673, 805, 840, and 849. I could use some covers also. Premium prices paid for VF material. William A. Rader, Box 1089, Havre, MT 59501.

## New York Central System or Lines N182

John Lyding (LM102)



Perfin pattern N182 is illustrated to the left. In *The Catalog of United States Perfins* the user is listed as "New York Central System (RR) - New York City." The name and stated location match. *Railroad Perfins of the Railroads of the United States and Canada* lists

this as:

### NEW YORK CENTRAL SYSTEM

General Offices - New York, NY

The period of usage is given as 1908 to 1960 and it is listed as Railroad perfin number 118 (RR118). The pattern is easy to recognize on cover because it is five holes high (pattern N184 is six holes high) and it does not have the extra hole of pattern N183. While there is no direct entry under this entry a cryptic parenthetical entry under pattern N184 notes that the New York Central System is now part of the Penn-Central.

The illustration at the top of page 135 provides an example of covers that place catalog editor's on the horns of a dilemma. The corner card states "New York Central Lines: The Michigan Central Railroad." Spencerian script under the printed corner card spells out the location as "Vanderbilt, Mich."





The location is verified by the CDS of November 3, 1933, Vanderbilt, Mich. According to *Railroad Perfans* the general offices of the Michigan Central Railroad Company were located in New York, NY and Chicago, IL in 1933.

#### New Zealand Philatelic Federation Perfans

Data provided by J. William Ross (#200)  
With thanks to Professor Ian Campbell and the  
New Zealand Philatelic Federation

During 1988-1992, the New Zealand Philatelic Federation produced two groups of perfins: (a) As souvenirs of philatelic exhibitions, and (b) a stamp perforated "THANK YOU" for use on cards sent to members of affiliated philatelic societies in recognition of payment of their annual levy to the Federation.

The stamps were perforated by J. Sloper & Company, Ltd., of London. This firm has since gone out of business and, unless another supplier can be found, it is unlikely that further perfins will be produced.

The following perfins were issued:

#### ROYAL 100

1988 Centenary of Philately in New Zealand stamp perforated ROYAL/100 for sale at the Royal 100 national stamp exhibition held in Wellington.

#### 6 October 1988

40c CP S365a  
40c CP S366a

Se tenant pair S365a and 366a.

\$1.00 CP S367a

#### NZ 1990

Various stamps perforated NZ/1990 for sale at the New Zealand 1990 international stamp exhibition held in Auckland.

½ 1940 Centennial CP S26a  
1½ 1940 Centennial CP S28a

40c 1990 Heritage (Maori canoe) CP SH19a  
40c 1990 Commonwealth Games  
CP S388a  
("Goldie" design)

#### THANK YOU

Various stamps perforated THANK/YOU

#### 8 February 1989

1c Nephrite White paper CP PB1b  
Plate No. 11114  
1c Nephrite Creamish paper CP PB1c  
Plate No. 5 Kiwis

20 April 1990

2c Agate CP PB2b Plate No. 11111

29 May 1991

3c Iron Pyrites CP PB3a Plate No. 11111

13 March 1992

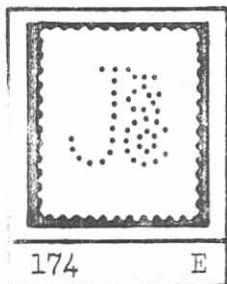
4c Amethyst CP PB4a Plate No. 11111

Notes: 1. The CP #s stand for Campbell Pater son N.Z. Stamp Catalog number.

2. The perfins listed above are no longer available.

### Another Perfin Used to Post Letter to United Telephone of Florida

Jim Estes (#2649)



Here is another mystery perfin used on a cover addressed to the United Telephone Company of Florida that has perfins. It is similar to the use of BE/NY previously reported on an other cover send to the com-

pany in that multiple low denomination stamps were used.

This cover, receipt stamped July 6, 1993, was franked with four 5¢ blue Monroe stamps punched with Perfin pattern J174. A single 9¢ William Henry Harrison issue of the second Presidential series was used to complete the 29¢ first class rate. The 9¢ stamp is not a perfin.

Perfin pattern J174 is listed in the *Catalog of United States Perfins* as being used by Josephthal & Company of New York, NY. The supplemental data section indicates that it is also known as having been used in Boston, MA.



NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDY \_\_\_\_\_  
CARE CORAL FL 33904  
TELEPHONE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

Top Strip of Envelope Front















Back of Envelope






United Telephone of Florida







MALAY-ASIA, OCEANIC ISLANDS

NETHERLANDS EAST INDIES

					
A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	A6

					
A7	A8	A9	A10	A11	A12

				
A13	A14	A15	A16	A17

					
A18	A19	A20	A21	A22	A23




## APPENDIX

## BRITISH COLONIAL PERFORATED SPECIMENS

Key to types of punched stamps:

P - Postal, J - Postage Due, B - Semi Postal, S - Stationery

COUNTRY	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Aden		P	P					P
Kithiri State of Seiyun		P	P					
Quaiti State of Hadhramut		P	P					
Brunei		P	P					
Ceylon	P	P	P					
Cyprus	P							P
Fiji	P	P	P					P
Gilbert & Ellis	P	P	P					P
Hong Kong	P	P	P					
Iraq						P		
Jordan			P					
Fed. of Malaya(Postal Union)								J
Malaya(Brit. Mil. Adm.)			P					
Federated Malay States			P					
Straits Settlements			P				P	P
Johore			P				P	P
Kedah			P					P
Kelantan	P							
Negri Sembilan			P					
Pahang			P					
Perak			P					
Selangor			P					
Trengganu			P					
New Hebrides	P							
North Borneo								P
Palestine		J		P				
Pitcairn Islands	P							P
Sarawak	P		P					P
Solomon Islands	P	P	P					P
Tonga			P					

## SALES DEPARTMENT - PERFINS

Sal Guarini  
PO Box 1502  
San Mateo, CA 94401

### TO SELL

Perfins Club members who wish to sell perfins through the Perfins Sales Chairman, please note the following:

1. US Books of 100 must have only C or better with no splits or damaged stamps.
2. US D's may be packed up to 200 per glassine envelope.
3. US E's may be packed up to 500 per envelope.
4. US specialities such as 1902s, parcel post, C1-6, etc; may also be put in books.
5. Put foreign perfins into glassines of 100 or more of each country. Foreign may also be packed in mixed countries, especially smaller countries.
6. Do not put more than 3 of the same design in any of the above.
7. The Club will deduct a 20% commission from the price of stamps sold.

You may buy Perfins Sales Books from the Perfins Sales Chairman, Sal Guarini. The price is 50¢ plus 29¢ for each book. The seller must price perfins; however, the Perfins Sales Chairman will price perfins for you, if you are not sure what they are worth.

### TO BUY - EITHER CIRCUIT

1. Selections will be sent on 10 day approval. Full payment to accompany return. All shipments will be sent insured.
2. Participants must pay postage and insurance both ways.
3. Shipments outside the United States will be sent by registered mail and buyer must pay for this cost and their purchase.
4. Foreign members must pay by checks drawn on a US bank in US dollars.

## SALES DEPARTMENT - COVERS

Millard J. Driscoll  
301 Driver Ave.  
Summerville, SC 29483

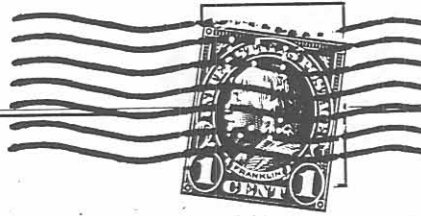
### TO SELL

Perfins Club members who wish to sell covers through the Cover Sales Chairman, please note the following:

1. In pencil, please record the below listed information on the back of each cover:
  - A. Perfin Catalog Number.
  - B. Condition of perfins (any holes missing, splits, etc.)
  - C. Price (\$1.00 minimum).
2. Send covers with invoice by insured mail to the cover sales chairman.
3. The Club will deduct a 20% commission from the prices of the covers sold.
4. The cover sales manager will price covers for you, if desired. Not over 50 covers at one time.

5. No markings whatever are to be placed on sales books.
6. Covers or stamps must be requested. No unsolicited material will be sent.
7. Settlement of accounts will be made at least once a year depending upon how material sells.
8. The chairman will not be responsible for perfin or cover identification.
9. All checks should be made out to **The Perfins Club**.

POST



HURLOCK BANK

HURLOCK MD

UNION TRUST COMPANY OF MARYLAND

Baltimore, Md., 91 1924

*Hurlock*

Your favor of 10 inst. with stated enclosures received.

WE ENTER TO YOUR CREDIT

WE ENTER FOR COLLECTION

413 97

Yours respectfully,

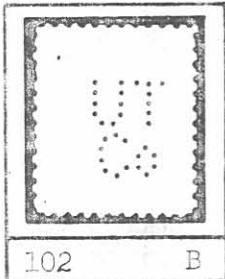
T. C. THATCHER, Treasurer.

For the collection of all items payable outside of the city, the UNION TRUST CO. OF MARYLAND will observe due diligence in its endeavor to select responsible agents, but will not be liable in case of their failure or negligence, or for loss of items in the mails.

FORM NO. 7, 7-23 10M.

### U102 - New Identification

Rudy Roy (#1124)

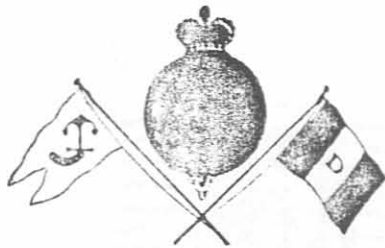


Illustrated is a post card with pattern U-102 that has not been identified in the 1979 edition of *The Catalog of United States Perfins*. Mailed to the Hurlock Bank, Hurlock, MD, the card positively identifies perfin pattern U102 by the Union Trust Company of Maryland, a Baltimore based bank.

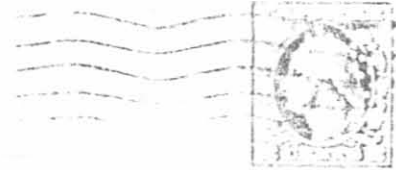
What adds to this story is that, at a recent area bourse, a dealer had a huge box of covers. A friend

and I sat down and both of us went through its contents. We spent about an hour rummaging through what were mostly fairly recent covers, interspersed occasionally with some early material. as I came across this card, I spotted the perfin, turned it over, and remarked that it was a bank pattern, it was probably common. I kept it only because I could not remember having an on cover example. You can imagine my delight when I got home and looked it up in the catalog. Not only is it a B rated pattern, but it is an identifying cover as well. Digging through a mound of material sometimes has its rewards.

Reports of new finds may be made to either the Editor of *The Perfins Bulletin* or the US Catalog Editor. Reports to *TPB* will be published.



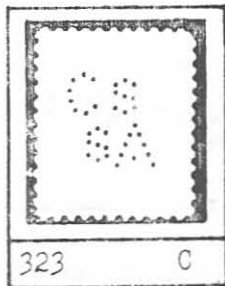
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ANCHOR-DONALDSON LINES  
CUNARD BUILDING  
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State Bank,  
Waukegan,  
Wisconsin.

### C323 Identified - But What is User's Real Name?

all identified with the Cunard Steam Ship Company in New York, NY. All three of those patterns use "CSS/Co" as the firm's initials.

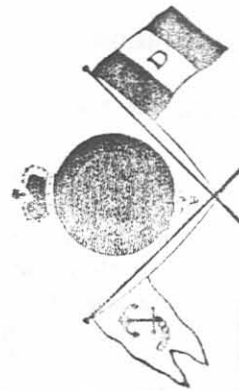


Don Haynes (#2890)

Until now, perfin patten C323 has not been identified in the *Catalog of United States Perfins*. The illustrations accompanying this article leave no doubt about the user, but present a dilemma for the U.S. Catalog Editor.

The November 29, 1920, cover illustrated at the top of this page has a corner card indicating that the user was "Cunard, Anchor, Anchor-Donaldson Lines." That company's address is given as the "Cunard Building, S.W. Corner of Dearborn and Randolph Streets in Chicago, Illinois. However, the enclosed letter head provides much more detailed: The Cunard Steam Ship Company Limited, Anchor Line and Anchor-Donaldson Line, Western Department. The same address as the corner card is used. Schedules also enclosed in the letter use the header: Cunard, Anchor, Anchor-Donaldson Lines.

The problem, from the catalog editor's point of view is that the perfin pattern is "CS/SA". There is no nice clean fit between the various names and this abbreviation. The other point for the catalog editor to ponder is that perfin patterns C234 to C236 are



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CHICAGO Nov. 29, 1920



## Steamship Connections from England

(Subject to Change)

Liverpool to Belfast—  
Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
Liverpool to Dublin—  
Daily  
Liverpool to Londonderry—  
Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
Glasgow to Belfast—  
Daily  
Glasgow to Dublin—  
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday  
Glasgow to Londonderry—  
Wednesday and Saturday  
Newcastle to Bergen direct—  
Daily except Wednesday  
Newcastle to Bergen via Stavanger—  
Monday, Thursday and Friday  
Newcastle to Christiania—  
Every Saturday  
Newcastle to Gothenburg—  
Every Friday  
Hull to Gothenburg—  
Weekly, Wednesday or Friday  
Hull to Copenhagen—  
Fridays  
Hull to Christiania—  
Weekly  
Hull to Rotterdam—  
Wednesday  
Hull to Danzig—  
Weekly, Wednesday or Friday  
Hull to Abo and Hango via Copenhagen—  
Fortnightly  
London to Antwerp—  
Wednesday and Saturday  
London to Hook of Holland—  
Daily except Tuesday and Thursday  
London to Rotterdam—  
Wednesday and Saturday  
London to Flushing—  
Monday, Wednesday and Friday  
Folkestone to Boulogne and Flushing—  
Daily  
Harwich to Esbjerg—  
Monday, Wednesday and Saturday  
Harwich to Antwerp—  
Monday, Wednesday and Saturday

### ROUND THE WORLD TOURS

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Peninsular and Oriental S. N. Co.      Henderson Line  
Bibby Line      Orient Line  
Khedivial Mail Line      Toyo Kisen Kaisha

## The Cunard Steam Ship Co. Ltd.

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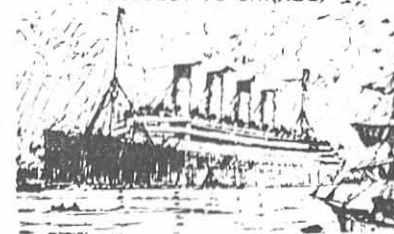
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## CUNARD, ANCHOR ANCHOR-DONALDSON PASSENGER SERVICES PROPOSED SAILINGS

(SUBJECT TO CHANGE)



NEW YORK  
TO

LIVERPOOL LONDON  
PLYMOUTH SOUTHAMPTON  
GLASGOW HAMBURG  
HAVRE CHERBOURG  
PATRAS PIRAEUS  
DANZIG DUBROVNIK  
TRIESTE NAPLES

MONTREAL to GLASGOW  
(PORTLAND IN WINTER)

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CUNARD BUILDING  
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CHICAGO

# CUNARD, ANCHOR, ANCHOR-DONALDSON LINES

## PROPOSED SAILINGS (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

EASTBOUND				WESTBOUND			
FROM	SAILING DATE	TO	STEAMER	SAILING DATE	FROM	TO	CALLING AT
N. Y.	Nov. 18, Thur.	Liverpool	K. A. VICTORIA	Nov. 4, Thur.	Liverpool	N. Y.	Q'town
N. Y.	Nov. 18, Thur.	Cherbourg and Southampton	IMPERATOR	Nov. 6, Sat.	Southampton	N. Y.	Cherbourg
Montreal	Nov. 20, Sat.	Glasgow	CASSANDRA	Nov. 5, Fri.	Glasgow	Montreal	
N. Y.	Nov. 20, Sat.	Liverpool	VASARI				
N. Y.	Nov. 20, Sat.	Gibr., Naples, Patras, Dubrovnik, Trieste	ITALIA				
N. Y.	Nov. 23, Tues.	Cherbourg and Southampton	AQUITANIA	Nov. 13, Sat.	Southampton	N. Y.	Cherbourg
N. Y.	Nov. 24, Wed.	Liverpool	CARMANIA	Nov. 6, Sat.	Liverpool	N. Y.	Q'town
N. Y.	Nov. 27, Sat.	Plymouth, Cherbourg and Hamburg	CARONIA	Nov. 10, Wed.	London	N. Y.	Cherb. & H'fax
N. Y.	Dec. 9, Thur.	Plymouth, Cherbourg and Hamburg	SAXONIA	Nov. 20, Sat.	London	N. Y.	Cherb. & H'fax
Portland	Dec. 9, Thur.	Glasgow	SATURNIA	Nov. 19, Fri.	Glasgow	Portland	Halifax
N. Y.	Dec. 11, Sat.	Moville and Glasgow	COLUMBIA	Nov. 24, Wed.	Glasgow	N. Y.	Moville
N. Y.	Dec. 14, Tues.	Cherbourg and Southampton	AQUITANIA	Dec. 4, Sat.	Southampton	N. Y.	Cherbourg
N. Y.	Dec. 18, Sat.	Liverpool	K. A. VICTORIA	Dec. 4, Sat.	Liverpool	N. Y.	Q'town
N. Y.	Dec. 23, Thur.	Cherbourg and Southampton	IMPERATOR	Dec. 11, Sat.	Southampton	N. Y.	Cherbourg
N. Y.	Dec. 25, Sat.	Liverpool	CARMANIA	Dec. 11, Sat.	Liverpool	N. Y.	Q'town & H'fax
Portland	Dec. 30, Thur.	Glasgow	CASSANDRA	Dec. 10, Fri.	Glasgow	Portland	Halifax
N. Y.	Jan. 15, Sat.	Madeira, Gibraltar, Algiers, Monaco, Naples, Alexandria, Phaleron Bay (for Athens), Naples, Palermo, Gibr.	CARONIA	Dec. 18, Sat.	London	N. Y.	Cherb. & H'fax
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N. Y.	Jan. 25, Tues.	Cherbourg and Southampton	AQUITANIA	Jan. 15, Sat.	Southampton	N. Y.	Cherbourg
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N. Y.	Feb. 17, Thur.	Cherbourg and Southampton	IMPERATOR	Feb. 5, Sat.	Southampton	N. Y.	Cherbourg
Portland	Feb. 18, Fri.	Glasgow	CASSANDRA	Jan. 29, Sat.	Glasgow	Portland	Halifax
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Portland	Apr. 20, Wed.	Glasgow	SATURNIA	Mar. 31, Thur.	Glasgow	Portland	Halifax
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Ports of call subject to weather and other circumstances permitting.  
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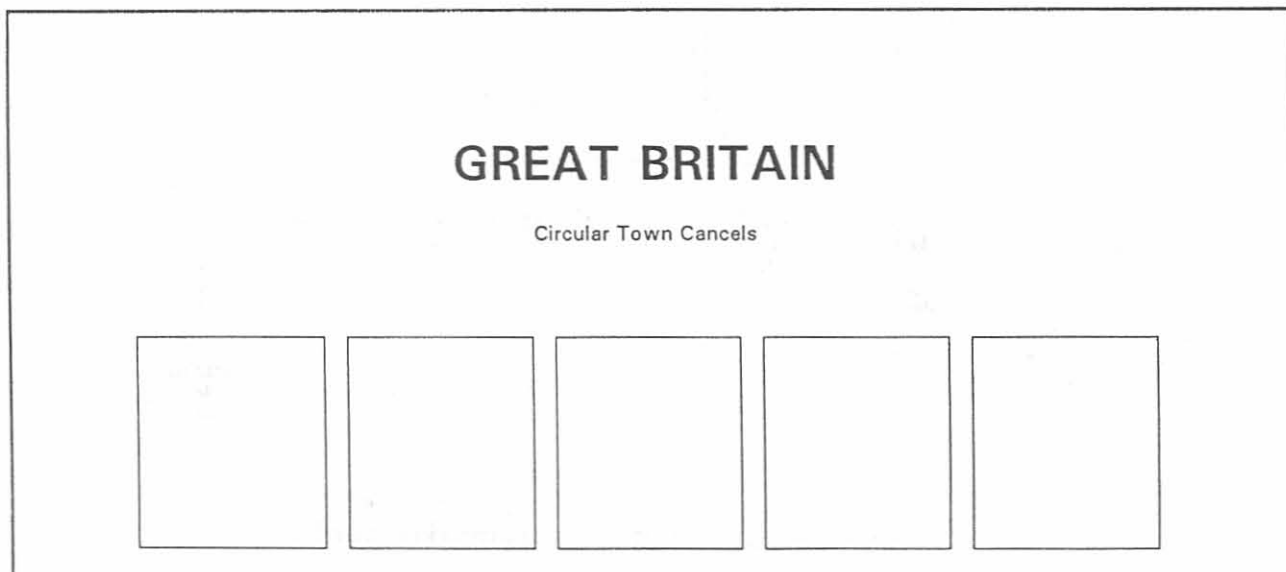
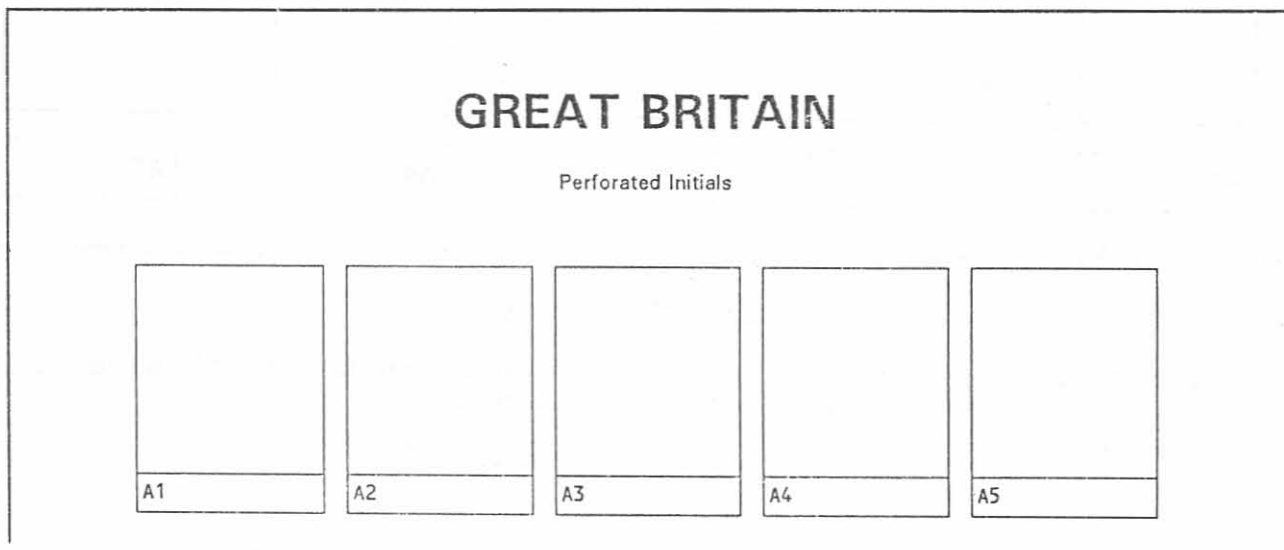
## Two Examples of Computer Generated Album Pages

By John Zenz (#3209) and John Lyding (L106)

There are a multitude of manners that someone can use to make Album Pages. We thought that you might like to compare the results in the *Bulletin*. John Zenz used WordPerfect 5.1 to produce the top two sets of album pages. In order to conserve space we have only shown the top of the pages. John Zenz uses Screen-Line Draw

<CTRL><F3>2 and a laser printer to produce these. For paper he has ordered acid free paper from Pelikans USA with the border pre-printed. One could also use Figure in WordPerfect. Use of Figure <ALT><F9>1 is a little more difficult in placing the boxes for the perfins, but does add additional precision to box size.

We have not bothered to give details about WordPerfect as it is a widely used word processing program and it is available almost anywhere computer supplies are sold. The list price is about \$250.



The next two set of illustrations were produced using PAGE computer program. PAGE is a single purpose compute program for stamp page design. It is intended to let the user create custom stamp album pages quickly and easily. You can specify the size of the box around a stamp simply by measuring the stamp and you can draw a large number of identically-sized boxes with a single keystroke. The cost of page is \$32.95. It may be obtained from

Curtis E. Gidding, P.O.Box 61, Highland IL 62249 according to an advertisement in *The Precancel Forum*.

PAGE does not have all of the capabilities of WordPerfect; however, it costs a lot less and it is a lot quicker. PAGE's speed is mostly the result of this systems ability to lay out multiple boxes without requiring mathematical calculations to achieve symmetry.

GREAT BRITAIN


Perforated Initials

A1	A2	A3	A4	A5


KIAUCHAU  
(Also Kiautschou)

A former German Colony: District of China on the south side of the Shantung peninsula.

Perfin pattern "D.A./B."



On stamps of 1900 value in pfennigs

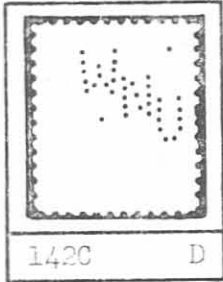


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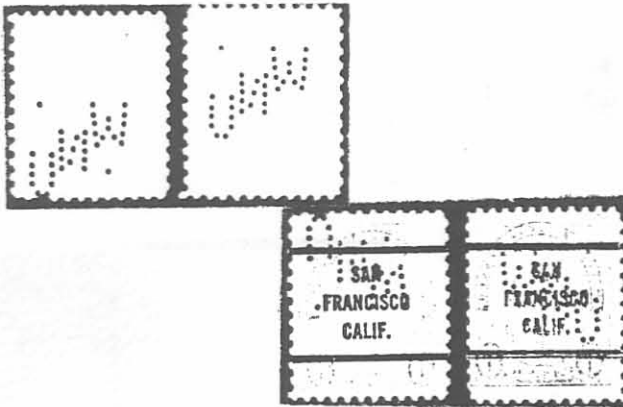
## Western Newspaper Union

Dave W. Ribble (#3290)

### ILLUSTRATIONS



The Western Newspaper Union (WNU) used five patterns of perfins from four cities: Chicago: (W142A and W143), New York (W142B), San Francisco (W142C) and Boston (W142D). All five patterns have been used on Bureau precancels.



Illustrated here are two Bureau precancels from San Francisco. The second one is missing the control hole under the letter "W". This missing control hole should not cause much of a problem on Bureau precancels, but an unprecanceled incomplete San Francisco perfin could be confused with a perfin from New York.

The Chicago perfins lack control holes while those from Boston have three control holes under the letter "W". All three holes are in different positions from the one under the letter "W" in the San Francisco version.

### Unusual Type of Fun Collecting

Albert Spencer (#1261)

Some collectors collect perfins of railroad companies. Others collect perfins of automobile companies, Western Union, or bank companies.

My own preference has been for perfins of music-related companies of which there are about 58 such companies in the USA, 12 in Great Britain, 23 in Germany and others in France, Switzerland,

Austria, Bavaria, Czechoslovakia, Russia and Turkey. I am sure that there are others that I do not know about. The catalogs often do not identify the businesses of many of the perfin users.

One of my other "FUN" collections is that of post cards showing pictures of people, scenes, dogs, cats, snakes, dragons, etc. made up of cut stamps. Stamp montages are what they are called. Most of these were made in China during the 1920's and 30's although many are made in the USA, England and Hungary. Mostly these were made for the tourist trade and some are postally used.



Figure 1.

Of the nearly 100 cards in my collection about 75 were made in China and Hong Kong. The rest were made in the USA, Great Britain, Hungary, and France. Stamps used in creating these works of art are from China, Germany, USA, Great Britain, Hong Kong, India, Hungary, Italy, Australia. Surprising about 20 of the cards have stamps with

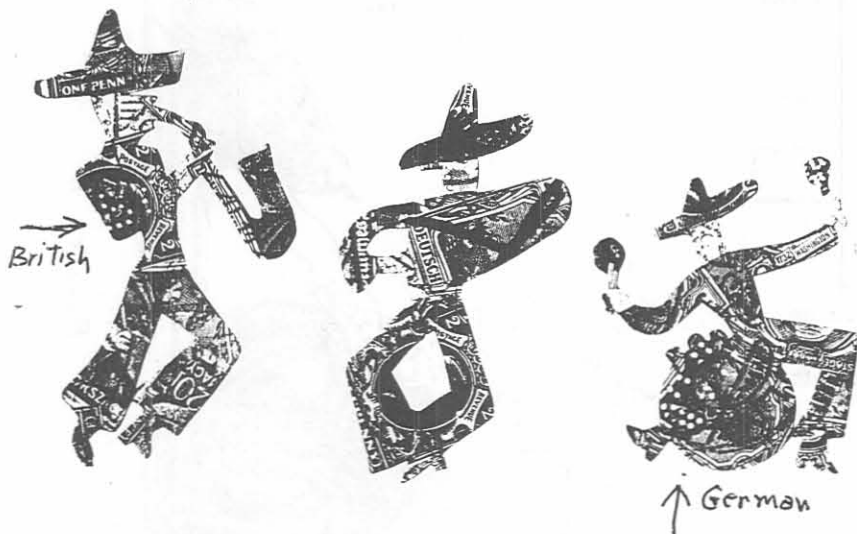
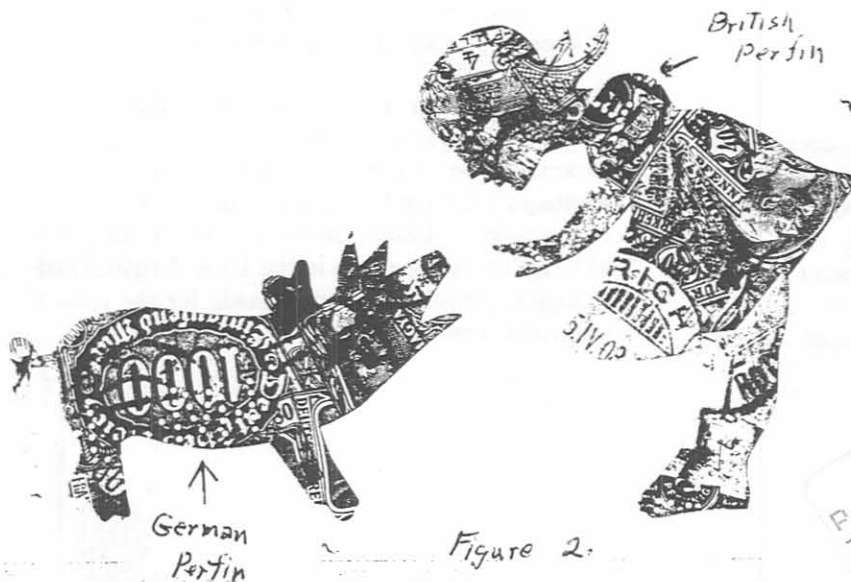


Figure 3.

perfins. Most can not be identified because of the cut up condition of the stamps, but figure 1 shows a pair of 10¢ Franklins (making up a pumpkin) with "SSM" perfin (Susquehanna Silk Mills. Catalog number S266).

Figure 2 shows a card made in Hungary. This card contains stamps with perfins from Germany and Great Britain.

Figure 3 is another Hungarian-made card with a Mexican band theme. Both British and German perfins are found on this card.

Figure 4 is a Chinese card with a pair of Great Britain 1 shilling stamps with perfins.

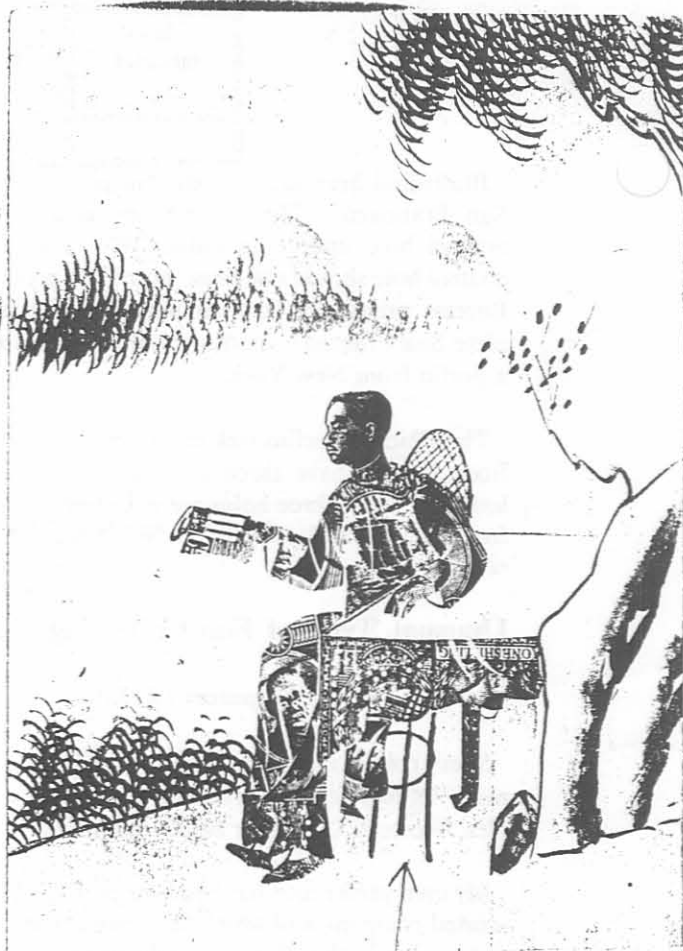


Figure 4  
 Pair of Great Britain  
 1 Shilling stamps

# The Bulletin

The official publication of The Perfins Club, Inc., APS affiliate 57

## Report of The Perfins Club at the Pre-cancel Stamp Society Convention/Perfins Club Annual Meeting - August 1-5, 1995

More than 25 members attended the Club's business meeting on Wednesday, August 2, 1995. The following items were discussed:

1. Ken Lawrence's article in the July 1995, issue of *The American Philatelist*. This excellent four page spread about perfins will help the Club's membership drive. Ken Lawrence has also authorized a reprint of another of his well researched articles on perfins. This will appear in *TPB* in the near future.
2. *The Guide to Perfin Exhibiting* - At their June meeting, the Board of Directors of the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada adopted the guide for their judges. The guide is now the accepted standard for the United States and Canada. The guide has been submitted for the literature competition at CHICAGOPEX '95 - November 17-19, 1995 See additional article under "Notes from here and there."
3. John M. Randall, US Catalog Editor, reported on the completion of the first draft of the catalog. He discussed some of the changes in the catalog and the additional information that will be included in the new catalog. (See following article by John concerning the catalog.)
4. Richard Mewhinney, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented the committee's report. The committee nominated the below listed individuals to the positions indicated.

Vice President	Rudy J. Roy, Jr., #1124 of Virginia Beach, VA
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Secretary	Sylvia M. Gersch, #1825F of Scottsdale, AZ
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Nominations are for a three year term starting January 1, 1996.

5. Insurance - We had one loss this year on the

Stamp Sales Circuit which is completely covered by insurance.

6. John Lyding, *Bulletin* Editor, received approval to institute paid classified and display advertisements in *The Perfins Bulletin*. Paid advertising will start with the January 1996 issue. All members are still entitled to one free classified advertisement annually. Classified and display advertising rates are listed elsewhere in this issue.

7. *The Handbook of Perfin Collecting*, written by the late Jack Southern was discussed. The *Handbook* is distributed to new members along with a welcome letter by the Vice President. The *Handbook* contains useful information and is a handy guide for new members.

## Special Notice

The 50-year accumulation of the late Jack Southern's perfins will be privately auctioned in installments starting this autumn with the smaller overseas country perfins. Single stamps, covers, single countries and specialties are included. There should be something for the general collector, single country collector, type or issue collector, both beginner and advanced. The first auction will have about 100 lots. Deadline for submitting bids is December 30, 1995. To participate, please send a request for an auction list and enclose a #10 SASE to Bob Schwerdt, 9 Memory Lane, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603.

## UNITED STATES PERFIN CATALOG

John M. Randall (#1336)  
U.S. Catalog Editor

The initial draft of the forthcoming new edition of the *Catalog of United States Perfins* has now been completed, although there is still a lot of work to do before publication. The draft has to be proofread, updated, new data added to earlier sections, etc. before printing. Most importantly, some disconcerting ambiguities must be clarified.

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Crofton, Maryland, September 15, 1995

One of the major problems that has faced our Club in the past was the fact that most of our members are very poor correspondents. I hope that John Randall and Larry Owen's letters will elicit some response. While I am on my soap-box, I have another topic.

John Philip Sousa, the March King, is the best known name in American Band Music. Sousa as director of the Marine Corps Band from 1880 until 1892 and as director of his own band until 1932 he raised band music to a distinguish, major American Art form. During the Spanish-American War he was the director for the Sixth Army Corps. During World War I he enlisted in the US Navy and served as the director of the Navy's band training Center at the Great Lakes Naval Training Center. For the Navy Department he compiled a collection of Patriotic Airs of all Nations.

Sousa's most famous work is "The Stars and Stripes Forever." What citizen can fail to thrill when a martial band closes their 4th. of July performance with fireworks and "The Stars and Stripes Forever?" The late Arthur Fiedler made this the 4th. of July trademark of the Boston Pops.

"The Stars and Stripe Forever" was written in 1897. The song will celebrate its 100th. Anniversary in little over a year. How about a "Stars and Stripes Forever" flag stamp issued on July 4th? If you support this idea, write to:

US Postal Service Citizens Stamp Advisory Committee,  
USPS Headquarters  
Washington, DC 20260

No long letter is necessary, how about a postcard saying "How about a commemorative stamp for the 100th. Anniversary of "The Stars and Stripes Forever."

The campaign is being spearheaded by a former Marine Bandsman, James Senica, 4 Downing St., Fall River, MA 02327. You might drop him a note, it can't hurt.

I had hoped to include an article covering an other computer system for album pages this month; however, just prior to putting this issue together I received comments regarding an additional method. I will try to get both methods in one of the next two issues.

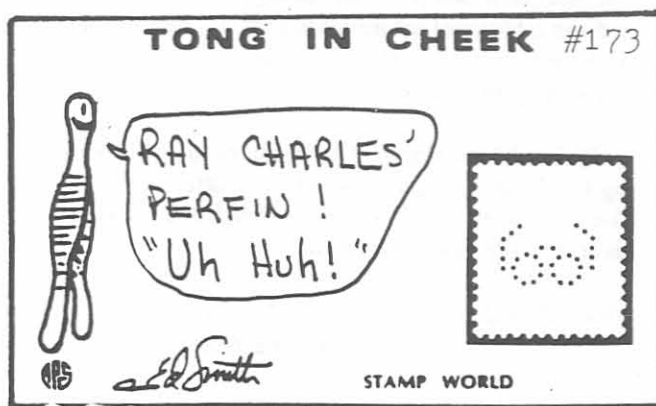
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The most important problem to be addressed comes from the Additions & Corrections supplements #1 through #6, plus some unpublished additions. Some added patterns are completely different than any in the 1979 Catalog. However, the majority are fairly close variations of previously listed patterns. A great deal of work had already been carried out in attempting to decide which of these are replacements for earlier patterns (or just as likely, the original patterns which were replaced by the listed patterns) and which are probably die varieties in multiple-head machines. This has not been an easy task and can probably never be completely accurate or satisfy all collectors. The main criterion for decisions -- given two or more very similar patterns -- is the period of usage of each, given the usual absence of strips of stamps showing whether the machine was single- or multiple-head devices. If two patterns dovetail in their period of usage, then they are probably two different patterns, with one replacing the other. If they have the same period of usage, then a decision might be made that they are just die varieties.

The other part of the problem with the added patterns are inconsistencies among entries. For example, consider pattern S154, SIU. In the 1979 Catalog it was positively identified as used by the State University of Iowa. In the A&C pages pattern S154A was added. S154 has been found on stamp issues from 1922 through 1938 (Prexy). Pattern S154A is found from the 1938 through 1984 issues. It is apparent that pattern S154A was the original pattern and was replaced during the time of use of the Presidential series with pattern S154. That is fine, but now the problem arises with the positive identification of the user. Was the positive identification used in the 1979 Catalog for pattern S154 or S154A? Finally, in the absence of definitive data, the positive data, the positive identification will probably be kept for the original pattern, although this may not be correct in all cases. Nevertheless, some record of positive identification should be kept for the pattern and its companion.

There are many other examples. For the letter S, there are:

S35, S35A, S35B and S35C  
S47 and S47A  
S50 and S50.5  
S51 and S52  
S53.5 and S54  
S82.5 and S82.5A

S88 and S88.5  
S99 and S99A  
S110 and S110.5  
S114, S114.5 and S114.5A  
S137 and S137.2

The list goes on and on, through the entire alphabet. The above list should make the type of problem clear.

This situation can be alleviated, if not completely eliminated, provided that lots of covers can be located for these patterns. The plea is for each collector who has perfin covers to look for those covers which might shed light on patterns with this problem. It does not matter if your cover shows the original identification was correct or if you have a cover showing the identification for the pattern in the A&C pages. Either provides hard data. Some of these patterns are so close to one another that it is difficult or impossible to determine which of the patterns is on a cover. Even so, a photocopy of the cover sent to the Editor could help solve the problem. If there is a legible postmark, then it may be possible to determine which pattern it probably is from the usage data developed by the Editor. Photocopies would be appreciated for any covers for which this problem exists. If you have many covers to copy, your costs will be gladly refunded. If you think the Editor might be able to determine the pattern from the actual cover but not from a photocopy, please send the cover. All covers will be returned after photocopying.

If many collectors will help out, many of our uncertainties may be eliminated. Remember, you may have the key cover that no one else has submitted. Thank you in advance for your help in producing a better and more accurate U.S. Catalog.

John M. Randall, 2540 Carquinez Ave., El Cerrito, CA 94530

## Notes From Here and There

President Kurt Ottenheimer forwarded copies of several letters that he has received regarding The Perfins Club's publication, *Guide to Perfin Exhibiting* by Sylvia M. Gersch and Robert J. Schwerdt. William G. Robinson, President, the Royal Philatelic Society comments included:

Many specialties require such guides, but very few have appeared yet. Your Club

should be commended for this effort. Perhaps this will encourage other specialty collectors to review the way they collect and exhibit, and to inform Judges of the key elements in a good exhibit.

Dave Dixon, FRPSC commented:

The booklet is well written and I'm sure it will be most welcome by the Perfin exhibitor and hopefully will encourage Perfin collectors to try their hand at exhibiting. From the judge's point of view it will enable us to more fully understand and appreciate the collector's exhibit and see that the exhibit receives a fair and just award.

Ray W. Ireson stated, "I think your Society has done a signal service to Philately by publishing this Guide..." Stephen Luster remarked, "As an APS judge, I am always looking for ways to improve my service to the hobby. The guide will assist greatly whenever I am called upon to judge a perfin exhibit." Copies of *The Guide to Perfin Exhibiting* may be purchased from the Catalog Sales Division for \$2.00.

Richard L. Learn (#3265) wrote that he was having trouble reading the perfin pattern if the stamp was still on cover. He especially had trouble with the backwards patterns found on some stamps. Richard reports that he has discovered a new way of determining the pattern.

First, place the cover on a hard surface. Second, place a smooth piece of aluminum foil over the stamp. Finally, using a soft eraser push down on the foil over the entire stamp. **Do not rub.**

By lifting the aluminum foil carefully and the pattern will be visible. If the pattern was backwards, simply turn the foil over to see the pattern in the normal way.

Bob Murrin (LM2) provided some additional information on the B dot perfin shown on page 86, *TPB*, May 1995. Bob reports:

I've had a pair in my collection for 6-10 years. The same as the pair pictured save a little lower. That is, the perfin is centered between the precancel lines. I had

one on cover, for over 20 years. This was the same position, same stamp perforated, no machine or hand cancel. I sold the cover for \$4.00 in March 1992. From memory, the corner card was either a dealer, or a stamp club mailing.

Jack Brandt (LM14) wrote to confirm Bill Cummings' remarks concerning the extra holes in a Bank of Italy perfin reported in *TPB*, June 1995, p. 91. In addition, he provided the following comments with regard to Dave Ribble's, "The University of Kansas Perfins", *TPB*, June 1995, p. 103:

- have felt commems were common on U39.5, always seem to be seeing them. I have the following - 1540, 1721, 1725, 1726, 1727, 1731, 1732, 1733, 1744, 1925, 2003, 2011, and C118. Also have on A, C, E, and F issues (domestic mail). For U39 only commemoratives I have are 960, 1021, and 1066. Also lots of nice precancels and also KANS, overprints (have 1, 5, and 9€).

Larry Owen (LM46) wrote to say:

After about 35 years active membership in the Perfins Club I continue to be surprised and disappointed about the lack of response to personal letters and occasional ads in the *Bulletin* suggesting exchange of perfins. I recently wrote a number of members about breaking up two old specialized collections that I made up over the years. Now available are many C and B US perfins and a few A's for exchange. Since collecting is the foundation of any stamp activity, I am at a loss to know why so few seem to seek exchange. Can someone out there enlighten me?

Ed's note: Our long time Secretary, Wally Smith, once confided in me, "Stamp collectors are wonderful people. They will give you the clothing off of their backs. Just don't expect them to write a letter." If anyone has the answer to Larry's question, please send me a copy.

## German Perfins Assistance Offered

The editors of the German Perfin Catalog have offered assistance to those collectors who cannot find one or more pattern in the catalog. Send a photocopy of the pattern or the stamp to:

Dr. Hans D. Hillmann, Maschwieze 29, D 31319 Sehnde, Germany.

or to:

Mr. Alfred Wirth, Zum Bilsbek 9, D 25497, Prisdorf, Germany.

The examination will be finished in two months and all perfins will be returned. There will not be any costs to you; but please enclose a SASE for airmail postage from Europe to the United States. Use sufficient postage reply coupons if you do not have mint German postage stamps.

### Perfins Club Annual Meeting 1996

President Kurt Ottenheimer has accepted the invitation of Norm Yates, President, Northwestern Precancel Club, to participate in the PSS's 1996 Convention. This will be the 75th. annual convention of the Precancel Stamp Society.

The meeting will be held August 6-10, in Portland, OR. Mark the date on your calendar. Details to be announced as they become available.

### Noted in other publications

*The Baltimore Philatelist*, July, 1995, contained our recruiting article, "Why Not Collect Perfins?" *The Baltimore Philatelist* is the official organ of The Baltimore Philatelic Society and the July 1995 issue was distributed to BPS and APS members in the Maryland, DC, Northern Virginia and Southern Pennsylvania area.

Marilyn vos Savant in *Parade Magazine*, July 16, 1995, p. 7 answered the question, "How many postage stamps would you have to lick in order to gain a pound?" Answer, "A postage stamps's glue has about 1/10 calorie, so licking 35,000 stamps would make you gain a pond."

In 1978, Donald G. Vorhis asked, "Are there any perfins from Korea?" This appeared in *Korean Philately*, Volume XXVII, No. 3. Mr Vorhis, President of the Korea Stamp Society has asked the question again. Our response, as of the foreign perfin census reported in *The Perfins Bulletin*, June 1993, pp. 128-137 perfins on stamps of Korea are unknown. However, it should be noted that George A. Fisher, Jr. reported perfins on Japanese stamps

used in Korea (*TPB*, #329, May 1980, pp. 3-4.) If you can find a perfin on a Korean stamp, it will be a first.

Martin O'Grady (#2243) reports that the Nederland Perfin Club distributed a 31 page booklet in a recent issue of *PP PerfinPost*. The booklet, entitled "De 'POKO' perforates van Belgie" (The POKO perfins of Belgium) was prepared by Ir. Rudd J. Hammink.

*The BNA Perforator*, August 18, 1995, reports that Michael Dicketts perfin collection was sold in about 40 lots through John Talman Auctions in Toronto. Patrick Durbano (#2538) reports he acquired the bulk of this inspiring collection. The issue also contains Auction #11.

Patrick Durbano (#2538), Editor, *The BNA Perforator* after attending the Lee Auction in Kelowna reports, "In my opinion, Perfins are a Hot and getting Hotter stamp collecting area." The July 21, 1995 issue details how to have a new Canadian pattern listed, reports C46 (Canada) on a first flight to Foynes, Ireland, and the ABC Rarity Factor Survey results.

*The Perfin Society Bulletin*, August 1995, contains an offer for free Slopers' perfin "JS/&C" on the £1 Machin and "NH/HD" perfin of Basingstoke District Hospital for members of The Perfin Society (GB). The issue also contains two articles on "Storing and Displaying Perfins", and an article entitled "Six of the Best." The latter, by Roy Gault, who continues to amaze me with his production.

Dilmond D. Postlewait, Editor of *The Precancel Forum*, noted in his September issue that he complained to me at the Wilmington convention that I have an advantage in that *TPB's* format permits us to illustrate full covers which take up a lot of space. Precancels are much smaller and frequently show up as single stamps. *The Forum* sports an illustration of "A Silent Precancel" cover in Tom Sanford's article. Great illustration. Also appearing this month: "Convention Proceedings, the popular "Precancels! ... By George", State notes for OH and OR, "New Local Devices", and the Official Convention Photograph (repeated in this issue - thanks to Dilmond.

### Dates to Note

Oct 21 Arizona Precancel Club, Westminster Village Crafts Room, Pima & Cactus Rds., Scottsdale, 11pm - 4pm.

- Nov 18 Southern California Precancel Club, Club House, 7717 Church St., Highland - noon. Info. call Jim Crosby 909-864-3736.
- Nov 25 Arizona Precancel Club, Westminster Village Crafts Room, Pima & Cactus Rds., Scottsdale, 11pm - 4pm.
- Feb 8-10 Florida Precancel Club 40th Annual Meeting, Ramada Inn Maingate, Kissimmee.
- May 1-4, 1996 Illini Precancel Stamp Club, 11th annual Spring meeting at Executive Inn, Vincennes, IN. Reservations 1-800-457-9154.
- Aug 6-10, 1996 - PSS 75 Annual Convention/Perfins Club Annual Meeting, Northwest Precancel Club, host, Monarch Motor Court, Portland, OR.

## Want Ads and Notices

Want Ads and Notices are published without charge for Club members on a space available basis. Member are entitled to have one advertisement without charge each year (Jan-Dec). Additional classified advertising rates as follows (Effective with January 1996 issue):

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**DEADLINE** - 1st of month preceding date of issue. **PAYMENT WITH COPY** payable to The Perfins Club, Inc. and mail to PO Box 3342, Crofton, MD 21114-3342.

One insertion - 10¢ per word. Three consecutive insertions of same ad for the price of two - 20¢ per word. Six months at 40¢ per word. Specify heading desired. Headings available: Wanted, For Sale, Trade, Sales Lists, Auction, Publications, Miscellaneous.

Items submitted by non-members may be accepted if space permits and the item is considered of interest by the Editor. Neither the Perfins Club nor the Editor can be held responsible for want ads or notices.

### WANTED

The Perfins Club Cover Sales Division urgently needs covers to meet perfins collectors needs. Send your duplicates, marked with your desired selling price. If you are in doubt, our cover sales manager will be glad to help you price material. Contact Millard J. Driscoll, Cover Sales Manager, 301 Driver Ave., Summerville, SC 20483.

I am doing research on the Postal History of Florida. I would like to purchase any Florida advertising covers with perfins or precancels on

cover. If you have something not for sale, could I get a clean photocopy of it for my research. I will gladly pay any cost and postage involved. Thank you. David C. Lingard (#3252), 818 Demington St., Lakeland, FL 33803-4524.

Einstein needed, that is perfins on Scott Catalogue number 1285, the 8¢ Albert Einstein issue of 1966. Harry Flower (#3138), 3 Wheaton Center, Wheaton, IL 60187.

Perfins on revenue issues, any country except the US & Argentina. No paid or killer cancels, only those with company initials. Send any amount with your price. Joe Laura (#1238), 76 Great Hill Dr., W. Wareham, MA 02576-1251.

Covers from the Baltimore Bargain House needed. J. Lyding, PO Box 3342, Crofton, MD 21114-3342.

### FOR SALE

Canada all mint NH except for 249 used. All are four hole "OH/MS" block 4 each: 231-233/2 sets 249/-253. Single used 249. Single MNH 285-286, C1-C6-C7-C8-E7-CE1-C22. Asking \$50.00 for entire lot. Photo copy upon request. Stewart Rudner (#1952); 5080 Laurel Ave.; Cypress, CA 90630.

Hungary official 3 triangle perfins, 92 all different stamps, \$15.00 postpaid. Joseph Laura, Jr. (1236), 76 Great Hill Dr., West Wareham, MA 02576-1251.

All my general world perfin collections, except Great Britain and Germany. Due to recent heart surgery & complications I am unable to keep up with the work involved in this massive collection. Joseph Laura, Jr. (1236); 76 Great Hill Dr.; West Wareham, MA 02579-1251.

### TRADE

German Perfins Wanted. For those I keep, I will give two German or six perfins (E's) of US or US Railroads from your wantlists. Can also give foreign. Robert L. Foley (#1340); 9 Haig Pl., Apt. 604; Dunedin, FL 34698-8550.

### SALES LISTS

Bob Murrin's new sales list is available for Club members. Frequent lists with special offers including perfins. Bob Murrin (LM2); PO Box 10100, St. Petersburg, FL 33733-0100.

The Secretary's Report  
 The Secretary is Ralph W. Smith, PO Box 89511  
 Leesburg, FL 34789

NEW MEMBERS:

3342 Sober, Zolly S.; 65 Spring Garden Ave., Apt 1202; Willowdale, Ontario, Canada M2N 6H9  
 Worldwide, Beginner ..... By: Durbano (#2538)

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2888 Johnston, Floyd E.	2977 Wilken, Gene	1041 Fentin, Arthur
1337 Bartlett, William R.	1407 Doyle, Elizabeth A.	2451 Rutler, Gregory J.
2998 Van Trump, George; Jr.	1538 Turney, William L.	3112 Graves, Perdue B.; Dr.
3237 Arnold, Larry O.	965 Estus, Glen A.	2391 Harp, Maurice
3162 Messerschmidt, Peter W.	2683 Erickson, Fred	

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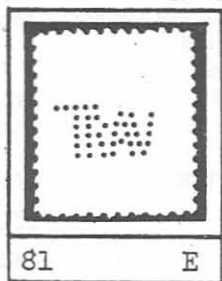
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 2839 Lamar, Jerry L.; PO Box 478; Rolla, MO 65402  
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SUMMARY:

Members as of June 30, 1995	823
New Members	+ 1
Resigned	-14
Members as of July 31, 1995	810

Travelers Insurance  
 Company - T81

John Lyding (LM102)



The *Catalog of United States Perfins* lists The Travelers Insurance Company located in Hartford, CT as the user of perfin pattern

T81. In view of the connection between insurance and that city, we have no reason to doubt that listing.

However, over the years additional information has been brought forth on usage of the perfin in other locations. The

If not delivered in ten days return to

*The Travelers*  
 BRANCH OFFICE  
 315 Montgomery Street  
 SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.



ADDRESS  
 YOUR MAIL  
 TO  
 STREET AND  
 NUMBER



supplemental data in the appendix of the catalog lists a precancel in Los Angeles and a post mark recorded from San Francisco. Additional reports have also been made listing usages in New York, NY and Jacksonville, FL.

Shown above is a cover from a branch office of The Travelers at 315 Montgomery Street in San Francisco, CA. This confirms the San Francisco usage in the supplemental section. Posted on March 25, 1931, this window envelope  
 (Cont. on page 162)

**Auction #60 - Closes November 30, 1995**

Lots will be sold to the highest bidder at the following advances over the next highest bidder. Under \$1.00, a 5c advance; \$1.00 to \$2.00, a 10c advance; \$2.00 to \$5.00, a 25c advance; \$5.00 to \$20.00, a 50c advance; \$20.00 to \$50.00, a \$1.00 advance; \$51.00 to \$100.00, a \$2 advance, and over \$100.00, a \$5.00 advance.

No unlimited bids. OR bids are accepted. In case of tie bids, the first bid received will be accepted. Cash deposits not required. All single perfins are complete and in good condition unless otherwise specified. Straightedges (natural) are not considered damage. In larger lots or mixes, incomplete patterns, split patterns, and duplication are to be expected. All lots returnable if not as described, EXCEPT, larger lots or mixes. Lots must be paid for or returned within THREE (3) days of receipt. BID by lot number.

**Abbreviations used in this auction:**

ADD-All Different Dies      DDF-Different Die &/or Face  
 QNTY-Quantity              MDD-Mostly Different Dies  
 MB-Minimum Bid            EST-Estimate  
 ID-Identification          Pat-Pattern                  Nat-Natural  
 Preper-Precanceled perfin    Entire-cover including letter  
 1h, 2h, etc.=Number of holes missing in pattern.  
 SE (L/R/T/B)-Straightedge (Left/Right/Top/Bottom).  
 (-) in QNTY column = number of damaged stamps in the lot.  
 Perf faults - Any of a number of different faults relating to the perforations (pulled perfs, thinned perfs, blunt perfs, etc.).  
 (?) - indicates the column data it is next to, is in question.

Please send bids to: Joe Coulbourne  
 705 Prince Allen Court  
 Virginia Beach, VA 23454  
 Telephone: 804-425-2290  
 stamps.joe@genie.com

**FOREIGN STAMPS AND MIXES**

Lot	Description	Qty
1	Mix. 3 DDF on (B.A). Angola	3(2)
2	Mix. 21 ADD. Nice mix. Argentina	21(2)
3	Mix. 15 perfins with "T" (Tasmania). Duplication. Australia	15(2)
4	Mix. Many DDF. Majority are G/NSW. Duplication.	50(6)
5	Mix. Many DDF. All are VG. Mainly pre-decimal. Dup. Austria	88(20)
6	Mix. 40 ADD. Belgium	40(9)
7	Mix. 19 ADD. Canada	19(9)
8	Pat C5 (CB) on #89. Perf flts, stain. Rarity C.	1(1)
9	Mix. 3 DDF on (SUN/LIFE).	3
10	Mix. 6 DDF on (PS).	6(1)
11	Mix. 2 ADD, 10 DDF, (CPR).	10(2)
12	Mix. 10 DDF on pat Q1 (Q/CLQ/C).	10(3)
13	Mix. Intl Harvester. 7 ADD, 13 DDF.	13(3)
14	Mix. 26 DDF on (CPR).	26(6)
15	Mix. 8 DDF on OH/MS (4 hole). Duplication.	34(8)
16	Mix. 37 DDF on C51 (CPR). I rated.	37(4)
17	Mix. 44 DDF on (BT).	44(9)
18	Mix. 4 ADD, 6 DDF. Few blind pats. Ceylon Curacao	8(5)
19	Pat A2 (MB) on #134. Split. Czechoslovakia	1
20	Mix. 25 ADD. Nice mix. Denmark	25(5)
21	Design 5 on #246 (pulled perf) & K27 on #100 (4h).	2(1)
22	Mix. 42 ADD. Nice mix. Egypt	42(5)
23	Mix. 2 ADD, 3 DDF. Finland	3(1)
24	Pat A1 (ASEA) on #90. Faint crease. MB-\$2	1(1)

25	Pat A1 (ASEA) on #122. MB-\$3	1
26	Pat A1 (ASEA) on #146. MB-\$3	1
27	Pat A1 (ASEA) on #147. MB-\$3	1
28	Pat A1 (ASEA) on #166. Rounded corner, thin. MB-\$1.50	1(1)
29	Pat A2 (FORD) on #175. Pat just off at D. MB-\$3	1
30	Pat A2 (FORD) on #177. Split, light creases. MB-\$1.50	1(1)
31	Pat A7 (S) on #96. MB-\$3	1
32	Pat A7 (S) on #120. MB-\$3	1
33	Mix. 36 DDF, MDD. 8 commems/lg defins. France Germany	36(11)
34	Mix. 52 ADD. Nice mix. Great Britain	52(13)
35	Pat S3980.02 (S&J) on #33 pl 199 CJ/JC. Very nice! Hong Kong	1
36	Mix, 2 ADD, 5 DDF. Most are blind/split pats. Italy	6
37	Mix. 15 ADD. Japan	15(4)
38	Mix. 2 ADD, 2 DDF. Netherlands	4(2)
39	Mix. 50 ADD. 1 POKO (sync perfs). Nice mix. Norway	50(9)
40	Pat A5 (A/S G.M.) on #97. MB-\$2	1
41	Pat A14 (CB/&K) on #31. Thin, rounded corner. MB-\$9	1(1)
42	Pat A14 (CB/&K) on #37. MB-\$3.50	1
43	Pat A28 (FMV) on #186. MB-\$2	1
44	Pat C2 (Fyr) on #119. MB=\$2.50	1
45	Pat A30 (G.B.) on #70. Creased. MB-\$1.50	1(1)
46	Pat A32 (G.G.) on #70. MB-\$2	1
47	Pat A41 (J.G./CO.) on #119. MB-\$2	1
48	Pat A42 (J.H.A.) on #40. 1 short perf. MB-\$2	1(1)
49	Pat A43 (JLM) on #119. MB-\$2.50	1
50	Pat A46 (J.R.H.) on #101. MB-\$2.50	1
51	Pat A50 (M.A.) on #85. MB-\$3	1
52	Pat A56 (N.T.A.) on #101. Rounded corner. MB-1.50	1(1)
53	Pat A58 (OB/&CO.) on #80. MB-\$2	1
54	Pat A60 (O.M./&S.) on #119. Few blunt perfs. MB-\$1.50	1(1)
55	Pat A62 (P.R.) on #49. MB-\$2	1
56	Pat A63 (P.R.) on #49a. MB-\$2.50	1
57	Pat A70 (S.B.) on #112. Split. MB-\$3.50	1
58	Pat A73 (Th.J.T.) on #51(?). MB-\$2.50	1
59	Mix. 10 DDF on pat A3 (AM). MB-\$7	10
60	Mix. 5 DDF on pat A20 (DUE). MB-\$3	5(2)
61	Mix. 4 DDF on pat A27 (FB/B). MB-\$3	4(1)
62	Mix. 26 DDF on pat A39 (H.L./&CO.). 1 pair. MB-\$12	27(2)
63	Mix. 3 DDF on pat A60 (O.M./&S.). MB-\$4	3
64	Mix. 3 DDF on pat A67 (RP.). MB-\$2.50	3
65	Mix. 4 DDF on pat A69 (Rr.). MB-\$2.50	4(1)
66	Mix. 7 DDF on pat C3 (S). MB-\$5	7(2)
67	Mix. 4 DDF on pat A72 (SP). MB-\$2.50	4
68	Mix. 3 DDF on pat A80 (WL/&CO.). MB-\$2	3(2)
69	Mix. 3 ADD, 5 DDF.	6(2)
70	Mix. 11 ADD. Nice mix. MB-8	11(1)
71	Mix. 16 ADD. Nice mix. MB-\$18	16(5)
72	Mix. 18 ADD. Nice mix. MB-\$20	18(2)
73	Mix. 24 ADD. Nice mix. MB-\$36	24(3)
74	Mix. 15 ADD. Romania	15(3)
75	Mix. 3 ADD. Most are DDF. Sudan	13(6)
76	Mix. 52 ADD. 21-R0;30-R1;1-R2. Very nice! MB-\$50 Sweden	52(6)
77	Mix. 32 ADD. Nice mix. Switzerland	32(5)
78	Mix. 5 ADD, 11 DDF. Straits Settlements	13(5)

**FOREIGN COVERS**

Lot	Description	EST
79	Argentina cover. 11ENE1922. Pat A86 (FNB) on #351 (pair + single). ID of First National Bank of Boston, Sucursal Buenos Aires on front. Sent to USA. 3 1/2" x 6". Clean.	\$6.00

80	<u>Australia cover. 21APR1925. Pat A&amp;R.1 (A+R) on #30. ID of Angus &amp; Robertson Ltd, Booksellers to the University, Sydney on flap. Stamp is gray vice ultra. 3 1/2" x 5 3/4". Clean. \$6.00</u>	139	B177.7	VAR	E	9 face different-2 damaged
81	<u>Canada picture postcard. 14OCT1923. Pat C40 (CNR) on #105 (pair 1 damaged). ID is the "picture" of the C.P.R. Station, Edmonton, Alta. Slogan cancel. Mailed to USA. Nice card. F rated. \$10.00</u>	140	B182	510	C	Nat SET
82	<u>Great Britain folded document. 2MAY1913. Pat B0840.01 (B.B/M) on #157(?). ID of Baerlein Bros., Garnabteilung, Manchester inside. Mailed to Norway. Some sort of huge invoice. Interesting item. Clean. Unusual. \$6.00</u>	141	B202	331	C	Crease, sm tear, nat SET
83	<u>Italy "return receipt". 21DEC1923. Pat B34 (B.I./M.) on #105. ID of Banca D'America E D'Italia, Via S. Giacomo, Napoli on front. Horizontal crease doesn't detract. This is an ID cover as the pattern is not listed in the new Italian catalogue put out by the Perfin Club Nederland. Earlier date too. Unusual item. \$10.00</u>	142	B202	406	C	
		143	B204	406	C	Nat SET
		144	B217	636	CX	Preper-St Louis MO style 63
		145	B218	706	C	Blunt perfs, hv cancel, pat just touches
		146	B240	566	C	
		147	B260A	642	C	
		148	B263	406	C	
		149	B287	425	B	
		150	C5	406	C	
		151	C6	377(?)	C	Crease, toning
		152	C6	406	C	Sm tear
		153	C8	807	C	
		154	C9	Q2	D	
		155	C11	554	C	Pulled perf, corner crease, nat SET
		156	C11.5	510	C	
		157	C18	406	C	Pulled perf
		158	C30	509	CX	Balt MD preper-style 212 (value not listed)
		159	C35	333	C	
		160	C35	406	C	
		161	C35	510	C	Many faults-pat complete
		162	C39	634	C	Few short perfs
		163	C39	642	C	
		164	C52	Q6	C	
		165	C54	406	C	
		166	C74	425	C	
		167	C98	379(?)	B	Blunt perfs, nat SEB
		168	C102	406	C	Perf flts
		169	C102	425	C	Nat SET
		170	C105.5	406	B	
		171	C134	425	C	
		172	C137	406	C	
		173	C137	425	C	
		174	C138.5	331	B	
		175	C152A-14	406	C	Perf flts
		176	C152A-14	1036	C	
		177	C152B-5	707	C	
		178	C152G-3	707	C	
		179	C157	510	C	Many sm faults-pat ok
		180	C163	379(?)	C	Faded or stained
		181	C168	375(?)	C	
		182	C179	375	C	
		183	C183	684	C	
		184	C192	406	C	
		185	C203	406	C	
		186	C207	406	C	
		187	C224	406	C	
		188	C237	518	C	Nat SEL
		189	C240	696	B	2 blunt perfs
		190	C260	406	C	Sm tear, 2h, nat SET
		191	C265.5	623	C	Pat touches perfs at left
		192	C266	406	C	Nat SER
		193	C267	375(?)	C	
		194	C269	815	C	
		195	C281	406	C	
		196	C300	406	C	Face scrape
		197	C301	1035	C	Pulled perf
		198	C314	406	C	Lg thin (shallow)
		199	C315	720	C	
		200	C316	406	C	Blunt perfs at left side
		201	C319	406	C	Blunt perfs at bottom
		202	C319	406	C	
		203	C329	406	C	
		204	C338	562	C	
		205	C340	E13	CY	NYC preper-style L11-E
		206	C354	406	C	
		207	C356C	807	C	
		208	C364	406	C	
		209	C386	513	C	
		210	C390	511	C	Creased, 1h

US STAMPS

<u>Lot</u>	<u>Pat</u>	<u>Scott#</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Notes</u>				
84	A6	634	C					
85	A10	406	C					
86	A11	332	C	Perf flts				
87	A11	374	C					
88	A22	406	C	Sm piece missing - pat ok				
89	A26	406	C					
90	A42	375	C					
91	A72	406	C	2 blunt perfs				
92	A72	406	C	Hv cancel, partial (H) just off				
93	A75	406	C	Shallow thin - pat ok				
94	A84	507	C					
95	A111	634	C	Pat just touches at bottom				
96	A161	425	C	Nat SET				
97	A163A	637	BW	Chicago preper - style 61				
98	A170	684	CX	Richmond VA preper - style 61, tear in "L"				
99	A179	332	C					
100	A180	406	C	Corner creases				
101	A181	807	C	Random extra holes, partial (M) just off				
102	A182	406	C	Nat SEL & SEB				
103	A184.5	553	C					
104	A192	638	C					
105	A194	583	C	Blunt perfs				
106	A203	406	C	Nat SET				
107	A221-12	634	C					
108	A221-33	406	C					
109	A221-37	807	C					
110	A221-38	825	C	Crease, perf flts				
111	A221-44A	807	B					
112	A226	406	C					
113	A238	693	C					
114	A258	425	C					
115	A264	406	C	Nat SER				
116	A268.3	635	B	Shallow thin, perf flts				
117	A271	Q9	E	2mm tear at top				
118	A280	832	E					
119	A284	338	C	Heavy cancel				
120	A289	506	C	Thin, perf flts, face scrape				
121	A289.5	560	C	Nat SEB, corner creases				
122	A292	793	C	Perf flts				
123	B2	336(?)	C	Heavy cancel, 6h				
124	B5	638	C	Sm corner tear				
125	B15.5	720	C					
126	B79	530	C	1 short perf				
127	B82	332(?)	C					
128	B106.5	406	B	1 short perf, corner crease				
129	B116-12	707	C					
130	B116-37	807	C	Perf flts				
131	B116-40	638	C	Perf flts				
132	B118	375	C					
133	B118	406	C					
134	B122	554	C	Some perfs clipped at left & right				
135	B152	406	C					
136	B154	715	C					
137	B155	406	C					
138	B164	331	C	Thin				

211	C393	528	C	Pat just off at right	283	G72-26	304	E	Superb Stamp!
212	C407	406	C		284	G72-26	310	E	Blunt perfs (cat \$17.50)
213	C420	806	C	Crease	285	G72-36	311	D	Crease,thin,pat just off at top (\$45 cat)
214	C420	900	C	Corner torn away-pat ok	286	G72-37	636	C	Perf flts
215	D9	425	C	Perf flts, corner crease	287	G114	634	C	1 short perf
216	D9	566	C		288	G123	499	C	Perfs clipped at left
217	D12	406	C		289	G148	499	C	Pat just touches at right
218	D16	374(?)	C	Creases	290	G151	300	C	Nice stamp
219	D16	406	C	Sm pre-printing paper wrinkle	291	G151	405	C	Nat SET
220	D35	332	C		292	G155B	685	C	
221	D36	E15	E		293	G155B	805	C	Corner creases
222	D50	406	C		294	G155B	807	C	
223	D54	375	C		295	G155B	811	C	
224	D73.5	1035	C		296	G168	632	C	
225	D92	640	C		297	G170	332	C	
226	D95	406	C		298	G171.5	437	C	Nice stamp!
227	D102	634	B		299	G182	435	C	Perf flts
228	D107	406	C		300	G190	406	C	
229	D136	376(?)	C	Hv cancel,2mm tear,crease	301	G194	332	C	2 short perfs
230	D136	379	C	Heavy cancel	302	G195	501	C	
231	D137	530	C	Nat SEB	303	G203	530	C	
232	D143	406	C	Nat SER	304	H9	406	C	
233	D151	504	C		305	H21	406	C	
234	D152	502	C	Sm thin	306	H23	319f	C	Perf flts
235	E2	418	C	Nat SER	307	H26	501	C	Thin, perf flts
236	E4	463	C		308	H35	406	C	
237	E4	499	C	Nat SEL,pat just touches at top	309	H42	406	C	Thin, perf flts
238	E4	530	C		310	H47	714	C	
239	E7	319	C		311	H76	WX220	C	1964 XMAS seal
240	E9	530	C		312	H78	406	C	Nat SER
241	E17	463	C		313	H78	463	C	
242	E20	406	C		314	H82	332	C	Pat just touches at right, nat SEB
243	E29	425	C		315	H90	427	C	
244	E46	499	C		316	H92	406	C	
245	E61	425	C	2 short perfs	317	H133	720	C	1h
246	E74	406	C		318	H138	499	C	
247	E78	406	C		319	H153	508	C	
248	E110	406	C		320	H172	319f	D	
249	E118	406	C	Clipped at left & bottom	321	H194	406	C	5 perfs clipped at top
250	E122	501	C	6 perfs clipped at left	322	H204	406	C	
251	E125	406	C	Vivid color!	323	H214.5	563	B	Nat SET & SEL, lg thin, perf flts
252	E126	698	C		324	H219	406	C	
253	E130	632	D		325	H220	406	C	
254	E136A	425	C	2 short perfs	326	H228	406	C	
255	E137	634	C	Face scrape, perf flts	327	I18	406	C	Partial-part of K off
256	F9	406	C		328	I18	406	C	Sm thin
257	F19	406	C		329	I29.5	406	C	
258	F22	332	D		330	I29.5	433	C	
259	F37	471	C		331	I41	334	C	
260	F58	634	C		332	I41	338	C	Nice stamp, 12JUL1909 Chicago SON CDS
261	F61	406	C	Nat SET	333	I54	599	D	Partial, mult strikes, perf flts, creases
262	F76	406	C		334	I61	807	C	
263	F97	406	C		335	I62	639	C	
264	F110A	375	B		336	I91-14	510	C	
265	F119	636	C	Perf flts, corner crease	337	I91-14	554	C	Nat SET
266	F132	566	C		338	I102	406	C	Perf flts
267	F132	566	C		339	J78	406	C	Sm tear, perf flts
268	F132	566	C	Thin	340	J121	634	B	
269	F150	499	C	1h, pat just touches at bottom	341	K23	406	B	1h
270	F163	564	C		342	L130A	496	C	Creased, thin
271	F176	720	C		343	M27	694	C	Nice stamp!
272	F199	332	C	Perf flts	344	M36	406	C	
273	F223	501	C	Grey in color	345	M51	376(?)	C	Heavy cancel
274	G3	406	C		346	M149	406	C	
275	G9	406	C	Pat just touches at left	347	M256	806	C	Partial-pat just off at bottom
276	G13	583	C		348	M270	406	C	Clipped left & bottom, creased
277	G14	720	C	Face scrape	349	M275	375	C	Crease
278	G27	406	C		350	N8	804	C	Rnd crnr,face scrape,pat just off at left
279	G35	406	C	Few short perfs	351	N22	406	C	
280	G40	333	C	4 clipped perfs, hv cancel	352	N34	815	C/DX	Pulled corner perf, pat just off at bottom of M. <u>DATED</u> precanceled perfin! NYC style 63 (value not listed in cat.
281	G72-2	309	C	Perf flts, hv cancel					
282	G72-13	638	C	Perf flts, corner creases					



353	N76	332	C	Nice stamp!
354	N106	711	C	
355	N113Bb2a	807	C	
356	N113C8	807	C	
357	N113Cc3	720	C	
358	N152	635	C	
359	N183	583	C	Clipped at left, perf flts
360	N191	684	C	
361	N191	729	C	Few short perfs
362	N205-2	634	C	Crease, perf flts, sm face scrape
363	N205.3	710	C	
364	O28	639	C	
365	O78	336(?)	C	Creases
366	P2	713	C	Perf flts, corner crease
367	P24	463	C	
368	P55.1	807	C	
369	P182	638	CX	Reading PA preper-style 225
370	P188	400	C	2h (cat \$10.50)
371	P222	405	C	11h
372	P230	425	C	
373	Q9	406	C	
374	R41	634	C	
375	R41	640	C	Corner crease
376	R49	504	B	Crease, thin
377	R56	685	C	Small thin
378	R77	698	C	Small thin
379	R77	804	C	Few blunt perfs
380	R125	506	C	
381	R142	499	C	Nice stamp!
382	S138	319	D	Nat SEL, perf flts, corner crease
383	S169	554	B	Sm tear, perf flts
384	S196	465(?)	C	Nat SEL
385	S216	922	E	Train perfin on train stamp
386	S239	554	C	
387	S256	377	C	Sm tear, perf flts
388	S301	554	C	Nat SEB, 2h
389	T9	498	C	Pulled corner perf
390	T26	375	C	Lg thin, nat SET
391	T80	406	C	
392	T95	499	B	Pat just touches at left
393	T96	636	C	
394	U40	559	C	
395	U40.5	1290	C	Split
396	U40.5	1581	C	
397	V29.5	463	C	Partial-just off at right, 2h
398	W35	891	C	Pat just off at top
399	W72-30	567	EX	Jersey City NJ preper style 204
400	W83	499	C	Nat SEL, nice stamp!
401	W122.5	732	C	1h
402	W130	332	C	
403	W141	375(?)	C	Nat SET, blunt perfs
404	W158	375	C	Hole, perf flts
405	W178	585	C	Perf flts
406	Des 3	517	D	
407	Des 40.5	685	B	2 short perfs
408	SCH 14	344(?)	O	Schermack
409	SCH 74	344	O	Schermack

**US REVENUES**

Lot	Description	QNTY
410	Mix. Comm of Mass. 2 ADD.	2(1)
411	Mix. Most are stock transfers.	20(3)
412	Mix. NY state stock transfers. Values to \$10.	81(10)

**US MIXES AND LARGE LOTS**

Lot	Description	QNTY
413	Mix. 3 ADD on parcel post stamps 2c, 10c 20c (dam).	3(1)
414	Mix. 10 ADD D rated perfs.	10(5)
415	Mix. 17 ADD D rated perfs.	17(7)
416	Mix. 19 ADD D rated perfs (many 1922 series).	19(9)
417	Mix. Group of Washingtons (3c,4c,6c,8c) on pat L27.	20(8)
418	Mix. 25 ADD precanceled perfs.	26(8)
419	Mix. 38 ADD E rated perfs.	38(5)
420	Mix. 45 ADD D rated perfs.	45(15)

421	Mix. 47 E & F rated perfs on comms, airs & SD. Nice.	47(6)
422	Mix. 48 ADD E rated perfs.	48(17)
423	Mix. 50 ADD E rated perfs.	50(10)
424	Mix. 50 ADD E rated perfs.	50(10)
425	Mix. 50 ADD E rated perfs.	50(18)
426	Mix. 52 ADD E rated perfs.	52(15)
427	Mix. 55 precanceled perfs, inc pair & strip of 3. Lt dup	55(10)
428	Mix. 55 ADD E rated perfs.	55(6)
429	Mix. 66 ADD D rated perfs.	66(21)
430	Mix. 66 ADD D rated perfs.	66(14)
431	Mix. 67 ADD D rated perfs.	67(22)
432	Mix. 99 ADD E rated perfs.	99(15)
433	Mix. 99 ADD E rated perfs.	99(18)
434	Mix. 140 ADD D rated perfs.	140(35)
435	Mix. 212 ADD E rated perfs. Values to \$5, nice mix.	212(37)
436	Mix. Approx 300 MDD. Most are different dies, lt dup. clean lot. Damage count is my estimate. Good range of defins.	300(30)
437	Mix. Approx 300 D E F rated perfs. Some dup. Damage count is my estimate. Clean lot.	300(30)
438	Mix. 2750+ perfs, mainly E & F rated with a few C & D perfs. Duplication, VERY clean lot containing a nice range of stamps with values to \$1. Damage is minimal. EST \$125-\$175.	2750+
439	US Collection. A very nicely mounted collection in a huge 3 ring binder. The first part consists of 703 ADD and the 2nd is 1508 DDF. I didn't see any duplication. Damage was slight and there were MANY nice stamps. This collection was NOT cherry picked. I noted perfs with rarity factors of "C" to "F" and there may be a few "B"s too. Pages of commemoratives and prepers, very nice range of stamps with high values. Many early! This is a "MUST BUY" collection! Estimated net: \$300+. Recommended!	2211

**US COVERS**

Lot	Description	EST
440	Cover. 29SEP1937. Pat B160 (BM/C) on #720. ID of The Berger Manufacturing Co., Steel Building Products Division, Canton Ohio on front with company logo. 4" x 9 1/2". Slogan cancel. E rated. Clean and presentable.	\$2.50
441	Lot of 7 covers. 1948-1958. Pat C236 (C(NW)). Each cover is properly identified and is 3 3/4" x 6 1/2". Stamps on each cover are different. 3 with slogans, 2 commemoratives. E rated.	\$11.00
442	Show cover. 10AUG1974. Pat E70.5 (EL/PEX) on #1538. Commemorative cancellation (bear & ELPEX station cds). Perfs Club 2nd convention in El Paso Texas. Clean. E rated.	\$3.00
443	Cover. 15JUL1985. Pat I.5 (I) on #1292. ID of Illinois State Museum, Springfield Illinois 62706 on front. 4" x 9 1/2". Clean. F rated.	\$2.50
444	Cover. 21APR1909. Pat I93 (IS/CO) on #332. ID of The Illinois Seed Co. Seed Merchants, 236-248 Johnson Street, Chicago on front. Cover is untidily opened (not seen from front). B rated. Partial strike (off at "CO"). 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". Clean.	\$10.00
445	Cover. 9NOV1936. Pat I117 (I/WILL) on #720. ID of Chicago Police Department, Office of the Department Secretary, 1121 South State Street, Chicago on front. Slogan cancel. 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". F rated. Clean.	\$3.50
446	Pre-paid cover. 4JUN1936. Pat M9 (circle(M)) on # 775. ID of Mich. Dept. of Health Records and Statistics, Lansing Mich. 3 3/4" x 6 3/4". F rated. Nice use of a Michigan centenary stamp on a state of Michigan cover with Michigan perfin!	\$4.00
447	Self-addressed cover. 13JUN1956. Pat M242 (MSC) on #1065. ID of Michigan State University of Agriculture and Applied Science, East Lansing Michigan (office of the Registrar) on front (and address too). Does this cover imply that the University used the college perfs? 4" x 9 1/2". C rated. Clean cover. Michigan State College perfin on a Michigan State College commemorative.	\$10.00
448	Cover. 1MAR1916. Pat O32 (OHIO) on #425. ID of The Standard Oil Company, Cleveland Ohio on front. Nice strike of Cleveland Circuit RPO (train 7). Company ad (text) on front. 3 3/4" x 6 1/2". New office? Clean cover. E rated. MB-\$6.	\$8.00
449	Cover. 9MAY1955. Pat S287.5 (STP) on #1035. ID of The Western Union Telegraph Co., 2316 Waterloo, Wis on front. Is this a new user??? 3 1/2" x 6 1/2". E rated. Clean.	\$3.50

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5	6	7	8

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|---|--------------------|-----------|---|----------------|-----------|
| 1 | Bradbury Wilkinson | post-1928 | 5 | Perkins, Bacon | pre-1928  |
| 2 | De La Rue          | post-1928 | 6 | Perkins, Bacon | post-1928 |
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407 South 16th Street  
OMAHA, NEB.



Mr. Frank M. Wilson  
1821 Rebecca Street  
Sioux City, Iowa

exhorts postal patrons to address mail to street and number.

The second cover, shown above, has the corner card "The Travelers, Claim Division, City National Bank Building, 407 South 16th Street, Omaha, Neb." This 1932 posting confirms a usage in Nebraska, a state that is not exactly known for heavy usage of perfin.

**E.A.Saunders' Sons' Co.**  
- E13

Rudy Roy (#1124)

Here is an identifying cover for the EAS pattern number E13. The user of this previously unidentified perforation is E.A. Saunderson's Company, wholesale grocers and importers of Richmond, Virginia. I found this March 20, 1914 cover at a local bourse recently.

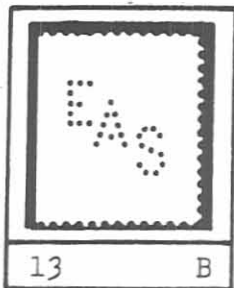
**Lynchburg Shoe Co. -**  
L141

Rudy Roy (#1124)

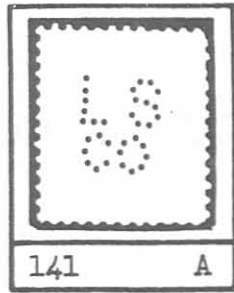
The return envelope with courtesy stamp punched with the LS/Co of perfin pattern L141, illustrated on page 163, is an identifying cover. The LS/Co fits the Lynchburg Shoe Co. nicely. Unfortunately, this cover did not pass through the mail and therefore there is no

## E. A. SAUNDERS' SONS' CO.

WHOLESALE  
GROCERS AND IMPORTERS  
RICHMOND, - - - VIRGINIA



Mr T.S.Martin  
Lanexa, Va



# LYNCHBURG SHOE CO. INC.

## LYNCHBURG, VA.

### CREDIT DEPARTMENT

postmark tying the stamp to the cover. On the other hand, notice the apparent cutter bar perforations at the top of the stamp. That is an indication of an early private coil.

#### Finch, Wilson & Company - Unlisted Perfin

Joe Laura, Jr. provided this example of perfin pattern F&T as a revenue use. The perfin is not listed in the current catalog. Can any member provide a postally used copy to the U.S. Catalog Editor? This will permit verification and possible entry in the catalog. It should be noted that Finch, Wilson & Co. is not a direct match with the pattern F&T.

#### Henry Clews & Co. - H59

The *Catalog of United States Perfins* attributes pattern H59 to H.C. Clews & Company. This use of the pattern on revenues on a stock sales slip provided by Joe Laura Jr. indicates that the company Name is Henry Clews & Company. See illustration on page 164.

16100-3-20-10M.

NEW YORK

No.

DELIVERED

F. FINCH WILSON & CO.

a/c

120 BROADWAY

Vo. Man



No. ....

# HENRY CLEWS & CO.

7-9-11 BROADWAY

SOLD *to Campbell & Doremus*

*30 mpr*

*986 25*



made in accordance with Section 100 of the Tax Law

## Hirsch, Lilienthal & Co - H107

Thanks to Joe Laura, Jr. we can correct the spelling of the second partner of Hirsch, Lilienthal

& Co which has previously been listed incorrectly in the *Catalog of United States Perfins*.

FORM NO. PS. CH. 301-20M-11-27

### No. 63

## HIRSCH, LILIENTHAL & CO.

165 BROADWAY

Subject to the Revenue Act of 1926, Regulations made in accordance therewith

DELIVER TO

RECEIVERS NAME NUMBER STAMP

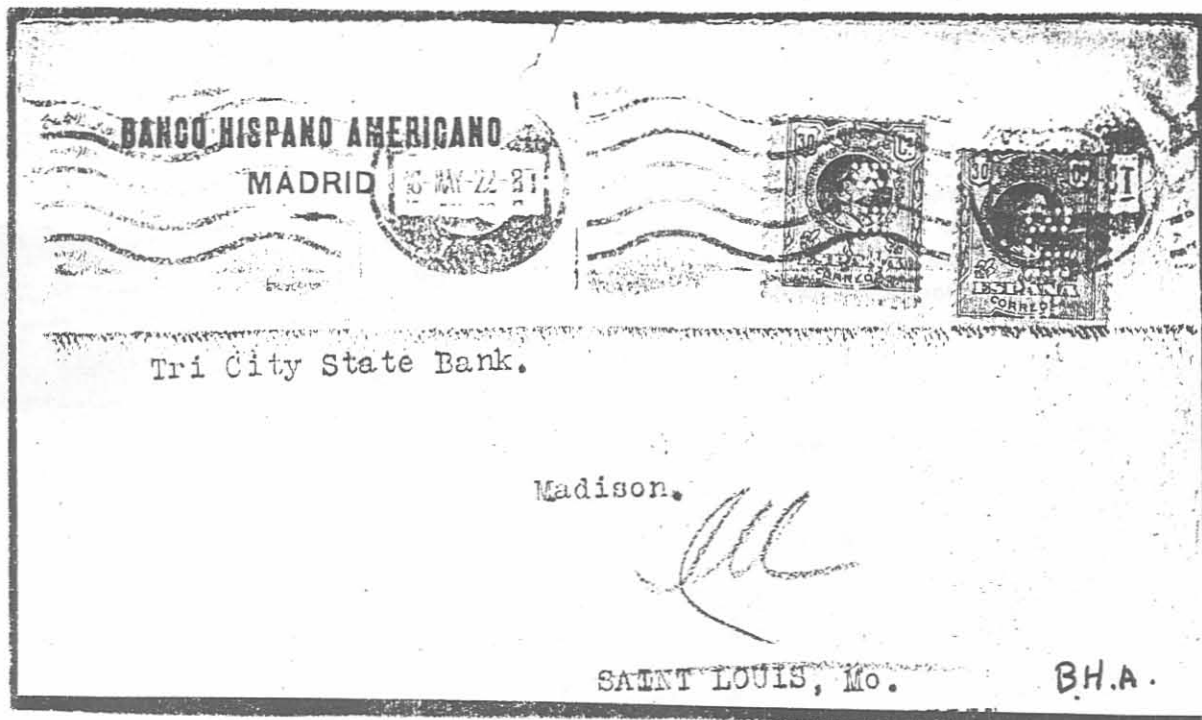
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# TAX BILL

Banco Hispano Americano



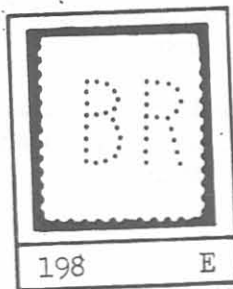
Our thanks to Jim Estes (#2649) from providing this May 22, 1922 cover from Banco Hispano

Americano, Madrid showing the use of the Bank's B.H.A. perfin pattern.

Babson Statistical Organization - B198

Chuck Spaulding (#2355)

After 5 days, return to  
**BABSON STATISTICAL ORGANIZATION,**  
 3 Babson Park Ave.,  
 BABSON PARK, MASS.



User - Babson Reports of Wellesly MA  
 was also known as Babson Statistical Organization  
 and located in Babson Park MA.

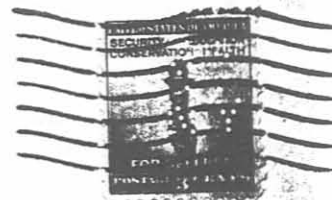
Here is a confirmation of the cover submitted by Joe Laura Jr. that Babson Reports of Wellesley Hills, MA also operated as the Babson Statistical Organization, 3 Babson Park Ave., Babson Park,

MA. The company also operated as Babson Washington Service from Washington, DC. The company is known to have used precanceled perfins from both the Boston and Washington locations.

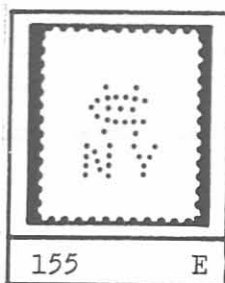
# C155 - Additional Location

Chuck Spaulding (#2355)

RETURN POSTAGE GUARANTEED  
STATE OF NEW YORK  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS  
DISTRICT ENGINEER'S OFFICE  
301 EAST WATER ST.  
SYRACUSE



Item ~~155~~ C155 - User - Commissioner of Public Works of Albany NY also had a district office (Department of Public Works) in Syracuse NY.



German Products  
New Jersey

C155  
NY (E)

FORM C-22

In addition to the Albany, NY location shown in *The Catalog of United States Perfins*, this cover's corner card shows that the State of New York's Commissioner of Public Works used perfin pattern C155 from the Department of Public Works, District Engineer's Office located at 301 East Water Street in Syracuse.

I would imagine that many, if not all, of New York State's District Engineers used this perfin pattern. If this assumption is correct, there should be a multitude of covers out there from the various District Offices.

## Atlas Powder Company - A271

Chuck Spaulding (#2355)

*The Catalog of United States Perfins* lists perfin pattern A271 as being used by The Atlas Powder

Company of Wilmington, DE. The letter and cover on page 167 shows that the company also used their perfin pattern from their Saint Louis, MO office. Please note that in addition to the office in the Arcade Building the company also had a Magazine located on Affton Street in Saint Louis.

If any reader has access to a 1925 business directory of Saint Louis it would be interesting to find out more about these two locations.

I recommend that John Randall, the US Catalog Editor, add Saint Louis to the list of locations in the supplementary section of the catalog.





# ATLAS POWDER COMPANY

MANUFACTURERS OF

**EXPLOSIVES** ST. LOUIS. MO.  
10-5-25

R. I. STAMP & SON  
DES ARC, MO.

We are pleased to acknowledge receipt of your order, No. 'PHONE.

dated DATE, as noted below, which is receiving our best attention.

If the following specifications do not compare with your order, kindly notify us promptly of any discrepancies, as well as any additions you wish made.

1000 ATLAS #6 BLASTING CAPS.

3000 FEET CLOVER BRAND FUSE.

WE HAVE PLACED THE ABOVE ORDER WITH OUR AFFTON-ST. LOUIS  
MAGAZINE FOR IMMEDIATE SHIPMENT FROM ST. LOUIS, MO.

ATL. 694

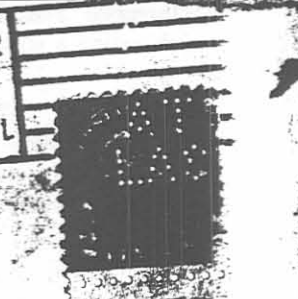


**ATLAS POWDER CO.**

ARCADE BUILDING  
ST. LOUIS, MO.



REGISTER  
OR  
INSURE  
VALUABLE MAIL

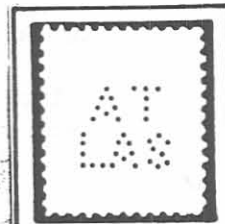


We thank

R. I. STAMP & SON

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NOTE:—W







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Ce coupon est échangeable dans tous les pays de l'Union postale universelle contre un ou plusieurs timbres-poste représentant l'affranchissement minimal d'une lettre ordinaire, expédiée à l'étranger par voie de surface.			
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P-L111/412/N  
P. A. MISTRETTA  
722 INDIAN MANOR COURT  
STONE MOUNTAIN, GA 30083

## Collect an Entire Topic

Jack Brandt (LM14)

Recently I noted in the *Reply Coupon Collector* (Vol. 37, #1) a mention of a perfin potential. Universal Postal Union Article 199, Section 2, subsection a states:

1. International reply coupons shall conform to the annexed specimen C 22. They shall be printed on paper bearing as a watermark the initials UPU in large letters, under arrangements made by the International Bureau, which shall supply them to administrations together with a delivery bill in the form of the annexed C 24, prepared in duplicate. After verification the administration of destination shall return one copy duly signed to the International Bureau.

2. Each administration shall have the option:

- a. of giving the reply coupons a **distinctive perforation** provided it does not detract from the legibility

- b. of the text or hamper the checking of their authenticity;
- b. of indicating the selling price on the reply coupons by a printing process or of asking the International Bureau for this price to be indicated at the time of printing;
- c. of indicating the name of the country by means of a printing process or a controlled imprint or of asking the International Bureau for this name to be indicated at the time indicated.

**Bold added for emphasis.** IRC are now the same for all UPU members.

I have had an IRC with the perfin JE (for Jersey) for some years, but had not realized that it was a recognized practice to perforate them. I wrote to Dr. Allan Hauck, who is editor of the above mentioned publication, and he informed me that Jersey was the only postal administration to perforate IRC's.

So, if you can get one of these, you have the complete topic.

# The Bulletin

The official publication of The Perfins Club, Inc., APS affiliate 57

## Disposing of a Perfin Collection

John Lyding \*

### Introduction

Periodically, a member brings up the subject of the best way to dispose of a perfin collection. We all know, or should know, what is the best way to dispose of our non-perfin collections. However, I don't know of a recognized well established market when it comes to perfins.

These are my thoughts. If you disagree, then let me know and *The Perfins Bulletin* can be your sounding board. The time and effort, you invest are the major criteria in selecting a method of disposal. Since these criteria might be of interest to those who survive you, think about clipping out this column or photocopying it and placing it where your heirs will find it.

### For those with energy

Those who have much time and are willing to invest some effort might try running their own auction. Not as hard as it sounds. First, break your collection into logical sized lots. Many people will bid on a single A, B, or C rated pattern, but will not bid on single D or E's.

Second, advertise. Few good avenues exist. The larger philatelic publications don't set aside a column for perfins. *The Perfins Bulletin*, *The Pre-cancel Forum*, and *The BNA Bulletin* are probably your best bets.

Third, make up a listing of your lots. Printing and paper costs have been spiraling upwards for small press runs. An office discount center or business center will do a small photocopy run for a reasonable price.

Fourth, mail out lists to those collectors who answer your advertisements or notices. You might consider using The Club's membership list as a check list. Mail unsolicited auction lists to those

members who might be interested, but who don't respond to your publicity.

Finally, you'll have the thrill of opening envelopes, recording bids and on the closing day sorting out the winners and mailing them the winning lots.

Two words of caution: (1) If you run an auction, you are in business. Check local and state regulations to determine if you need a license(s) and sales tax implications. (2) If you make a profit on the sale (i.e., get more for your perfins than you paid for them) this is a taxable event.

### Those with less energy

Those individuals who'd like to see their collections realize a market price, but who don't have the time or energy to manage an auction aren't precluded from the benefits of this method. You can find a friend who is willing to do the work or you can sell through the Club's regular auctions. We have a very active auction chairman who is willing to work with individuals needing help.

The Club charges a 20% fee for Club auctions and you should be willing to reimburse a friend who is willing to help. An alternative method exists for very extensive holdings. A knowledgeable Club Officer may accept the task of disposing of collection for a surviving spouse.

The address of each Club Officer is listed on the second page of this issue and every issue of *The Perfins Bulletin*.

### When you have several months

If you've some time and want your collection in a good home, then, try a classified ad. in *The Perfins Bulletin*. Members are entitled to one free classified advertisement each year. If you've used that, our rates are low. The only thing to consider is that if you keep the collection intact, it'll fetch significantly less than if sold in smaller lots.

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Crofton, Maryland, October 16, 1995

Despite some problems on my end, Helen Ratzer has done an excellent job of proofing my camera-ready copy, getting it to the printer, and mailing it out on time. The major mover in this effort has been Helen and she has been able to cope with my foibles as long as I managed to mail the camera ready copy to her by the 15th. of the month prior to publication.

This issue will leave Crofton one day late. However, the next mailing to Helen is scheduled for December 15, 1995. That would be the January 1996 issue. At present, I do not know if I will make it on time. Evelyn and I are planning a rather extensive trip to South Carolina and Florida in December and January. Hence, the January issue may be delayed a week or two. I regret any inconvenience that you may incur. Also, you should not expect me to answer any mail during our trip.

There is an article in this issue with regard to the use of Email. While I have not succumbed to this high speed method of mail delivery, I have been tempted. I did learn what the Email people call regular mail, "SNAIL MAIL." Our postal system is somewhat slow, however, I do not think it is quite that bad. Why, just recently, I received a letter posted in Baltimore in less than three days.

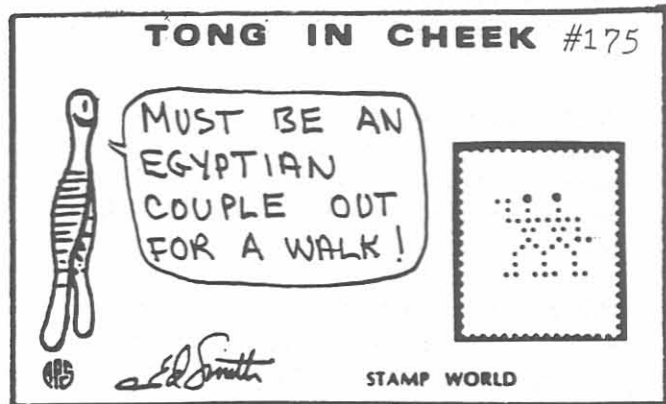
My 42nd. US Naval Academy Class Reunion is scheduled for next weekend. While we have been away from the Academy for four decades, the Academy celebrated its 150th. birthday, October, 10. I was fortunate in being able to attend the ceremony which included the first day of issue of a postage stamp commemorating the event.

In this time of change and government cut-backs, it is important to recognize that the primary mission of the service academy's is to develop qualified junior officers for their respective services just as they have been doing for years. When asked where the service academies would be in 150 years, Defense Secretary Perry responded, "West Point, Annapolis, and Colorado Springs." I certainly hope that he is correct.

John

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### When time is of the essence

When you, or your heirs, want to unload the whole thing as quickly as possible, four options exist.

1. Separate the stamps and covers. Write to the Chairman of the Club's Sales Department describing the stamps and determine his interest and find out the estimated value. Do the same thing for the covers, but send that letter to the Club's Cover Sales Chairman.

2. Write a letter describing the collection in general terms and mail this to one of our members who also is a perfin dealer. Their announcements appear regularly in the *Bulletin*.

3. Take the collection to a precancel meeting. Most precancel dealers know who wants perfins.

4. Bring the collection around to your local stamp store or a nearby bourse and see what they'll give you. This will probably have the lowest return since most dealers have little interest in perfin collections.

### Are you charitable?

When the money isn't important to you, consider donating your holdings to The Perfins Club. Our president will be glad to make arrangements.

Or you might donate the collection (if small) to a youthful collector who may one day grow up to be President of The Perfins Club.

### Critical

Forget how you feel now, remember that you might step in front of a bus tomorrow. Let your heirs know what you would like to have done with your collection. In particular, give them the names and addresses of the individual(s) with whom you would like to have them consult. Even better, put it in writing and put a copy in each album, box, and drawer.

\* Kurt Ottenheimer, Dick Mewhinney, Bob Schwerdt, Helen Ratzler, and Joe Coulbourne contributed to this article.

### New Officers

Several new officers were selected as the result of the end of Ralph W. Smith's term and the passing

away of Jack Sothern and Ed Hoyt. Ralph, who is better known as Wally, held the secretary's post for many years and decided not to stand for reelection this year. We are indebted to him and his wife Dot for all that they have done for the Club.

### William Gersch - New Treasurer

William Gersch (#1825); 8923 East Palm Ridge Dr., Scottsdale, AZ 85260-7535; was selected by President Kurt Ottenheimer as Club Treasurer after the untimely death of Jackson Sothern. Bill, a retired Federal Government employee, received his BBA from Pace University and a JD (Juris Doctor) from Brooklyn Law School. While in government service he served with the Defense Contract Audit Agency, the Postal Inspection Service, and the Office of the Secretary Department of Commerce.

In addition to World-wide perfins, his philatelic interests include SON cancels, Memel and Bosnia and Herzegovina, and philatelic exhibiting. Along with his wife, Sylvia, he was the co-author of, "The Philately of Bosnia and Herzegovina 1878-1918", *The American Philatelist*, June 1992.

### Sylvia Gersch - New Secretary

Bill Gersch's wife, Sylvia, has been elected Club Secretary in an uncontested election. Sylvia will be replacing the Club's long time secretary, Ralph W. Smith. Sylvia, has a BS Education from Case Western Reserve University and a MS in Adult Education from Virginia Polytechnic Institute. She is the Membership Chair, League of Women Voters of Metropolitan Phoenix; and serves as volunteer at the Desert Center of Pinnacle Peak: center for field trips for elementary school children where they learn about the desert; she usually talks about the Hohokam who inhabited the area from 300 BC to 1450 AD.

Sylvia began collecting perfins after receiving a perfin on cover from V.P.I. In addition to co-authoring "The Philately of Bosnia and Herzegovina 1878-1918" with her husband she along with Bob Schwerdt wrote *Guide to Collecting Perfins*, published 1995.

### Rudy Roy, Jr. - Vice President

Rudy J. Roy (#1124), Jr. (#1124), PO Box 5367, Virginia Beach, VA 23455-0367 has been elected for a three year term to fill the post he was appointed to when it became vacant on the passing away of Ed

Hoyt. Rudy has previously served the Club as Publicity Director and he is the compiler of *Cumulative Index to the Perfins Bulletin 1945-92*. In addition he is a co-author and co-publisher of the three part *Handbook of Cuba* and is currently assisting in preparation of a work on World War II Air Mail. He is the editor of *The Virginia Philatelic FORUM*.

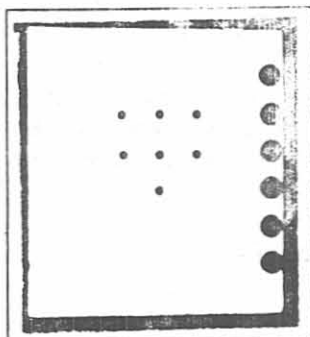
Rudy was born in Spartanburg, SC in 1941 and raised in Raleigh, NC. He obtained his bachelors degree from the University of Mississippi and a Master's degree from George Washington University. He is a retired naval officer and now is semi-retired from his second career in hotel management. He has been married for 31 years and the Roys have six children.

In addition to The Perfins Club, Rudy is a member of APS, AAMS, APC, APRL, CZSG, USPPS, WU#30, CPSA, Norfolk VA PS, VA Beach Stamp Club, Tidewater Int'l. Topics Society, and VPF.

### A Note on "Blind" Schermack Control Perfins

By Ken Lawrence

Chicago gave birth to coil stamps in 1906, when the first imperforate sheets of 1-cent and 2-cent Series 1902 and 1903 postage stamps were shipped from Washington, so that tinkerers who were trying to build stamp-affixing machines could assemble the stamps in rolls. The most successful machine was developed by ex-Chicagoan Joseph Schermack, who established his mailing machine business in Detroit. Even after that, many of the most important related developments occurred in Chicago, such as the proprietary perforations of the John V. Farwell Company, on stamps affixed by Schermack and Mailometer equipment.



In 1908, the Post Office Department authorized the use of perforated insignia on postage stamps as a private security device. Chicago firms were among the first to use perfins.

Some Schermack stamp-affixing machines were adapted with a device to punch the stamps with control marks as they were being affixed, and many

of these were used by Chicago mass mailers.



Control perfin no. 48, shown here on a 2-cent red George Washington stamp, Scott no. 384, was used by the Kabo Corset Company of Chicago. (According to the Perfin Club catalog number system, it is Schermack no. 19, but that is an arbitrarily designated number that is not based on intrinsic features of the control perfins, and does not include all of them that are known.) Courtesy of Atholl S. Glass.

Stamps with perforated control marks are listed and priced in the Vending and Affixing Machine Perforations back-of-the-book chapter of the *Scott Specialized Catalogue of United States Stamps*. In every case, they are priced much higher than the corresponding private-perf stamps without control perfins. But Scott does not differentiate among the perfin patterns as perfin specialists do. Some are scarcer and more valuable than others.

George P. Howard, whose 1940 book *The Stamp Machines and Coiled Stamps* is the definitive work on the subject, published a system for identifying Schermack control perfins in the February 1945 *Bureau Specialist*. Except for two experimental varieties (one an 8-hole diamond, the other

a 12-hole open square), the controls are based on a nine-hole square grid, three rows of three. Howard numbered them, and then coded the variety of a given perfin according to the missing holes, reading from the front of the stamp, oriented normally, not from the back as other perfins usually are described.

Thus, his	1	2	3
	4	5	6
	7	8	9

basic grid could yield a stamp with any number of holes from one to nine. If position 3, say, was not punched, that was a No. 3 perfin. If positions 2, 6, and 7 were not punched, that stamp would be a No. 267 perfin. If only position 3 was punched, the stamp would be perfin No. 12456789. Those would look like these patterns:



Control No. 3



Control No. 267

Control No. 12456789

During the Washington-Franklin Committee forum at the Bureau Issues Association meeting in October 1993 at Saint Louis, several members commented on the occasional problem in identifying Schermack control perfins caused by "blind" or omitted holes.

Howard had warned about this as long ago as the February 1945 issue of *The Bureau Specialist*: "In

checking what appear to be new combinations of holes, examine the face of the stamp under a glass; cases are known where 2 or 3 pins did not punch through the paper, but show up as 'blind perforations' when magnified."

I found a possible example of this problem on a cover that I described in a December 13, 1993 *Linn's* article. It is a code 34678 perfin (certified as such by the American Philatelic Expertizing Service), but has faint evidence in raking sunlight of another indicated punch at position 4. If present, it would be an unreported number 3678. Although 3678 had not previously been reported, it is a logical combination.

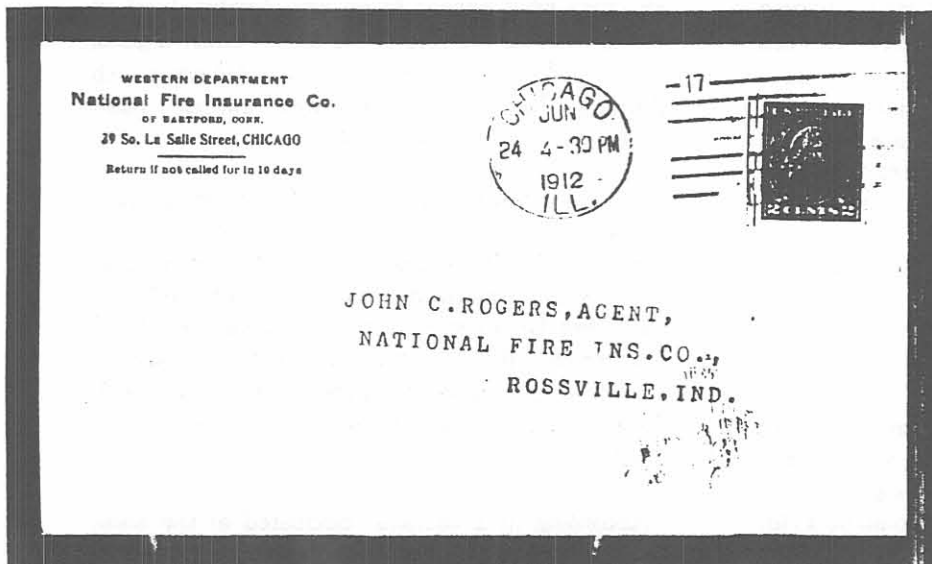
According to a checklist circulated at the Saint Louis meeting by Mundelein collector Atholl S. Glass, Babson Brothers is the identified user of codes 37, 378, and 34678. Al Glass later acquired code 34678 Schermack 2-cent red stamps on 1911 covers with Burlington Watch Company and The Insurance & Fidelity Company corner cards, both also previous known users of code 37 Schermacks.

If the original device used by the mailer for Babson and the others was coded 37 (or possibly just 7, another known but unidentified Schermack control perfin) the missing code in this sequence is either 3468 or 3678, if the machine lost one punch at a time through breakage or wear. By the same logic, the known but unidentified codes 3456789 and 23456789 could be continuations of the same vanishing punch sequence.

I have searched issues of *Perfins* and *The Perfins Bulletin* for reports on Schermack control perfins going back to the earliest report in 1948, and George Howard's *Bureau Specialist* reports for the years 1945 to 1948. I think the evidence supports this explanation.

The February 1972 issue of *The Perfins Bulletin* reported two examples of Schermack III 3-cent violet Washington stamps of 1909, Scott No. 345, with code 37 control perfins. The editor wrote, "It has generally been believed that while the Schermack Type III private perforations with Mailometer code holes are known on the 1c and 2c values of the 1908 series (Scott's 343 and 344), they are known on the 3c value only for philatelic purposes. Vernon Stroupe (#882) has two copies, however, and both are postally used. Vernon writes as follows:

"Last February I found a postally used 3c (Scott 345) with the Mailometer code 37. It was clearly



Control perfin no. 69, shown here on a 2-cent red George Washington stamp on cover, Scott no. 409, was used only by the National Fire Insurance Co. of Chicago. It is no. 24 in the Perfin Club catalog. Courtesy of Atholl S. Glass.

struck Chicago, Ill., with an oval canceler with 77 in the center. A few weeks ago I found another example. It is a better copy than the first, clearly struck with a Chicago oval, but this time the center numeral is 87. It too was dispensed from Mailometer machine 37.' "

Karl Lougee reported another 3-cent code 37 stamp in the September 1975 issue. In the June 1978 issue, C. Schoeps reported a code 37 control perfin on a Schermack III 5-cent blue Washington, but with the catalog number given as No. 345; Richard L. Mewhinney believes the mistake was in calling it a 5-cent blue, and that it really was a 3-cent No. 345. Larry Weiss reported "a 37 pattern on #345" in the July-August 1979 issue. Al Glass has seen eight code 37 perfins on 3-cent No. 345 stamps, canceled by Chicago double-oval devices; he has one with 59 in the center.

George Wagner recently acquired an oversize Babson Brothers cover with a code 37 3-cent No. 345 stamp, canceled by a double-oval Chicago device with 72 in the center.

Scott No. 346, the 4-cent brown George Washington stamp, exists with the 12-hole open square experimental Schermack control perfin, shown by James P. Ehrbar in the February 1979 *Perfins Bulletin*, and reported much earlier by George Howard. Richard Mewhinney reports two

additional examples, possibly the same stamps that were reported to me by Al Glass. Larry Weiss also reported one. I have another, certified as genuine by the American Philatelic Expertizing Service. Based on the Scott listings, this is the scarcest stamp with a Schermack control perfin, priced at \$1,250 in the 1995 edition.

The significant thing about all these reports is that such usages (thick, heavy, and possibly large envelopes) might be expected to damage the perfin punches, or to knock them out of alignment. The punches were positioned just ahead of the stamp-affixing area of the Schermack machine. The machines were designed to feed odd-sized cards and envelopes, not just one-ounce letters, but there must have been limits to the punishment they could endure.

As evidence of the Schermack or Mailometer machine's versatility, I have a cover that is 5½ inches tall, with a Schermack III 1-cent green Washington No. 408 for third-class postage, used in Chicago in April 1912. Al Glass has a 5¼-by-8-inch advertising postcard franked with a No. 314 Schermack 1-cent, canceled 1909 in Chicago. These prove that George Howard was mistaken in his belief that five inches was the maximum envelope height that a Schermack machine could accept.

We know that Babson Brothers or other users of the same machine were sending out mass machine-addressed third-class or possibly fourth-class mailings. The 3-cent frankings would have been quite heavy: up to three ounces if fourth-class samples of merchandise, or six ounces if third-class printed matter -- thus probably quite thick -- and proportionately larger and heavier if franked with 4-cent or 5-cent stamps. Squeezing these envelopes through that equipment at high speed certainly would have caused greater wear than ordinary letter mail. (Naturally, the heaviest and thickest mailings would have been stuffed after the stamps were affixed, but mailing machine operators tend to squeeze as much through as the machine will accept.)

Such usages would not have been common. Only about 300 sheets each of the 3-cent and 5-cent 1908-9 Series were issued imperforate for



affixing-machine use. Somewhat more than double that many of the 4-cent value were issued, but those could have been used on second-tier two-ounce first-class mail as well as on fourth-tier four-ounce fourth-class or eight-ounce third-class mail. (The Universal Postal Union international surface letter rate was 5 cents per ounce at this time, effective October 1, 1907, but the theoretical possibility that 5-cent Schermacks could have been used on international letter mail is nonsensical to pursue. No international letter mailings of sufficient quantity to justify using machine-affixed coils have been documented.) Babson Brothers, Insurance & Fidelity, or Burlington Watch may have been the only significant commercial users of 1908 Series 3-cent Schermacks, and 5-cent if they exist.

Those mailings may also have broken, worn down, or knocked out of alignment the control perforating pins, and thus may account for the sequential disappearance of holes on Schermack III stamps with these users' punch codes. Dick Mewhinney dates code 37 covers from April 1910 through February 1911, and code 34678 covers from April through June 1911; Al Glass has documented code 34678 through December 1911, and George Wagner has a February 1912 Babson cover with a machine-affixed coil stamp that has no control perfin. Dick and Al believe that pin breakage is a possibility, but not misalignment. Al doesn't think the envelope's bulk was a factor, because the perfin operation preceded the affixing. I have worked on enough office machines to have my doubts; supposedly unconnected parts frequently cause problems where theoretically they should not.

Unfortunately the literature on the postal history of private-perf usage on heavy third-class and fourth-class mail is thin to nonexistent, but similar usage during the same period has been studied and documented by precancel specialists. Catalog mailings franked with hand-affixed precancels did not have the dimensional restrictions of machine-affixed stamps, so they are also known with scarce usages of even higher denominations, such as the ELGIN, ILLS. 15-cent Series 1898 stamp, No. 284, as well as the 1-cent through 5-cent and 10-cent Second Bureau Issue precancels. Elsewhere, electrotype precancel overprints on Second Bureau Issue stamps ranged all the way up to the \$5 value. There's also the evidence of the 3-cent Orangeburg coil, Scott No. 389, which was used on thick oversize envelopes that contained Bell & Company patent medicine samples. No one tries to argue that precancel overprints on Second Bureau Issue stamps higher than two cents in denomination are philatelic, so I'm not sure where the idea originated, cited

above, that blames stamp collectors or dealers for 1909 3-cent Schermacks. I would not expect them to be common, but their usage would have been typical on samples of merchandise, catalogs, Christmas calendars, and the like.

This essay has benefited from criticism by Al Glass, Dick Mewhinney, George Wagner, and Larry Weiss of four earlier drafts. I would welcome further information, discussion, and criticism.

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## Perfins and the Internet

Floyd A. Walker (L105)

I am not sure if it is possible for perfins and computers to be happy in the same world. Somehow it has always struck me as slightly sacrilegious to use a computer to compile research on postal history. It seems more natural to use a quill pen and a leather bound journal that has pages with vaguely yellowed edges.

It is even more of a contradiction to sit at one's computer and "talk" with fellow collectors via electronic mail. However, that is what is happening these days. I have discovered the information highway, the Internet, and I have discovered there are other collectors -- of perfins no less -- out there in electron land.

I have used a computer at my office for years and I have had a small computer at home that I have used for correspondence. But it has only been within the last several months that I have become serious about a home computer. Thanks to a generous income tax refund -- and the graduation from college of my youngest daughter -- I was able to buy a new system. It is a Gateway 2000 Pentium-90 with all the bells and whistles (literally, it whistles, chimes, and even talks to me.) It also has a modem, and that is where the fun begins.

After a few months of learning the basics of the computer system, I succumbed to the "free introductory offer" from one of the on-line computer services. I signed up for America On Line and launched myself into cyberspace.

One of my first tasks was to choose an on-line-name -- an electronic moniker that allows others to communicate with me without having to use my full name and address. I had a lot of clever ideas for a name, but it seems that all of them had been used already. Finally, I tried *Perfins1* and bingo, the system told me I would forever be known to them by that name.

Two days later, I learned that Jackie Ryan, the Perfins Club Catalog Sales Director, and Immediate Past President Dick Mewhinney, are also AOL members. There surely are other Perfin Club members I have not yet found on AOL. Also, there must be still others on other services such as CompuServe and Prodigy.

Can a guy whose hobby involves counting the holes in a perfin pattern and worrying about whether one pattern is only different from another because a pin got broken in a perforator 40 years ago also be happy downloading *Time* magazine articles to read late at night when the perfin patterns begin to blur?

Are there other Perfin Club Members facing the same question? I would be happy to hear from them. In fact, I will compile a list of Perfin Club members and their Internet addresses for publication in *The Perfins Bulletin*. Just e:mail me at Perfins1@aol.com or write me (quill pen on yellowing paper acceptable) at PO Box 82, Grandview, MO 64030.

## From other publications

*Texas Precancels*, September 1995, reports that the Texas Precancel Club will man a table at the Austin Texas Stamp Club Show March 9-10, 1996. The show will be held at the Ben Hur Shrine Temple, 4300 West Bank Drive and Loop 360 next to Westlake High School. If you are in or near Austin, drop in and give the people from the Texas Precancel Club a greeting. The issue also contains a page showing Corpus Christi precancels.

## Club News

**New Research Project** - Richard L. Learn (3265), 154 Kendale Dr., Safety Harbour, FL 34695 will be compiling data on cancellation dates found on US perfin patterns in the 1908-1917 time period.

If you have postcards, stamps, or covers in your collection for this period, he requests that you send him a photocopy of the item. Richard will correlate

the data for publication in *The Perfins Bulletin*. Please indicate the day, month, and year of cancel. In addition, the perfin pattern and *Scott Catalog* number of the stamp will be appreciated.

**Rudy Roy Wrote** Of late, I have found that dealers are now making perfin categories in their stocks, both covers and stamps. At NAPEX (Northern Virginia) this past June there were several who had more perfin covers than I have seen in a dealers stock in some time. They were not inexpensive, either. I quickly exhausted my budget without making any large quantity purchases, though several covers I did buy were excellent bargains.

## A Member's Comments on the September Issue

Wayne F. Engle (#3309)

I cannot let the article "C323 Identified - But What is the User's Real Name?", *The Perfins Bulletin*, September 1995, pp. 142-144, pass without comment. Mr. Haynes has forgotten to mention that the perforated insignia of most perfins do not exactly correspond to the initials of the company producing the perfinned stamps. He cannot and should not expect a "nice clean fit between the names and the abbreviations." At least not always. In this case, perhaps it would help to consider pattern C323 as "Cs/sA" since the "C" and the "A" are larger than the two esses. As the appended document shows, this perfin was used by "Cun ard, Anchor, Anchor-Donaldson Lines." I suggest that the "C" stands for "Cun ard" and the "A" for "Anchor, Anchor-Donaldson," the two small esses probably standing for "steam ship."

The album pages reproduced on pages 145 and 146 bring up another subject. What sort of albums do most/many perfin collectors use? I started my perfin collection in 1993-94 and have been making my own albums. I produce simple pages on my computer using *Word for Windows*. An example is shown below. The basic purpose of the layout of album pages is to exhibit/mount one type of perfin per page (A12 - AAA on one page, A16 - AAC on another) since generally, each perfin represents a different company. When a company has several offices and produces slight variations of an insignia - or makes minor changes to a basic design over time - I will usually list the various permutations devoted to this company on the first page. If I eventually acquire several pages filled with copies of this perfin, I will eventually devote one page to each permutation - knowing full well that GE and SO are

going to cost me a lot of pages. I do not keep just one copy of each perfin: I keep them all -- primarily to see and exhibit the differences in perfin pattern (upright, inverted, off-center, partially off stamp, missing holes, etc.) across a whole range of stamps. All of this implies seeking, keeping and mounting lots of multiple copies of any one perfin. Therefore, my album pages have rows for lots of stamps, not boxes for individual stamps.

And finally, speaking of stamp album pages, Mr. Zenz (p. 145) "ordered acid free paper from Pelikans USA with the border preprinted." I get three-hole-drilled 20# bond from the local Staples office supply warehouse for \$5.00 a ream. I figure, if I keep the album pages out of the light and away from heat, they and the stamps on them will last a good 50 years, well beyond my lifetime. My computer could print a fancy border, but a border

reduces the size of the page. My page holders are \$9.00 2-inch three-ring binders with clear plastic front and rear covers which allows me to label all my albums front, back, and side as needed. I am about to start my fourth perfin binder, and have run through about five reams of paper. You can call it "collecting on the cheap" but at last and at least I know I am not paying more for my supplies than I am for stamps. Once I had decided to collect for fun and enjoyment instead of value, these things sort of just happened.

It is always interesting to hear/read how other people acquire, sort, select, soak, resort, mount, and display their stamp collections. For instance, are there perfin pen pals around? I would probably enjoy getting and sending off an occasional letter to a fellow perfiner. A list of names of volunteers for penpal communications would be a start.

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The following illustrations show member Engle's album sheets for perfins of the New York Central System, patterns N182-N184 and the pages he uses for his international collection.

## **N182-N184 NYC New York Central System**

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**N182 New York City, NY**

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**N182A**

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**N183 Minneapolis, MN  
Mobile, AL**

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**N184 Chicago, IL**

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# Portugal 1995

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In case you are interested, this is the page I use for my international collection. It has gone through many - and will go through more - permutations.

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I am always amazed at how well the stamps fit on the page - they tend to cover up one or more of the little +'s and those left bordering the stamp create a little box, isolating the stamp(s) from the others on the page. I had meant the +'s as guides for placing the stamps on the page, but they automatically become framing devices.

## Stamp Album Page Designer

John Lyding

As noted in last month's editor's comments, there is another stamp album page design system available for computers equipped with Microsoft Win-

dows. The software produced by Integrity Software and Computing is entitled, "Stamp Album Page Designer. I have shown the upper portion of a sample page below. The program is extremely versatile and I am currently using it to produce perfin album pages and exhibition pages.

## United States

### N182 - N184 NYC New York Central System

#### N182, New York City

1/2 cent, orange

Benjamin Franklin

1 cent, green

George Washington

9 cent, rose pink

William H Harrison

#### N182

1/2 cent, orange

1 cent, green

16 cent, black

## Imperial Tobacco Company

William S. Shields (2951)



In *Ireland: Catalog of Perfins*, 2nd. ed., 1994, compiled by Richard L. Mewhinney and published by the Perfins Club, pattern I12 is listed as: IT/C, 2H, 5½, I,B, Imperial Tobacco Co., (9,10, 10). The underlining on the letters "IT" indicate serifs and the "I,B" indicates the pattern is known on

stamps of Eire and Britain. It is listed in the *Edwards Catalog* as I2470.01 on British Stamps.

Dick Mewhinney and Paddy Murphy (Dublin) have only seen this stamp punched on a ¼d "Sword of Light" (*Scott Catalogue* number 65). I also have this perfin on singles from a booklet pane of the same stamp (*Scott Catalogue* number 65A). After looking through thousands of Irish perfins, I have only found this pattern on one stamp and a booklet pane of the same stamp.

I would appreciate members looking through their Irish perfins and letting me know if they have this pattern on any other stamp than *Scott Catalogue* number 65 or 65A. Does anyone have it on a British stamp? I will answer all responses. William Shields, 4214 Longshore Ave. #312, Philadelphia, PA 19135-2140.

### Its Challenging

Joseph Laura, Jr. (#1238)

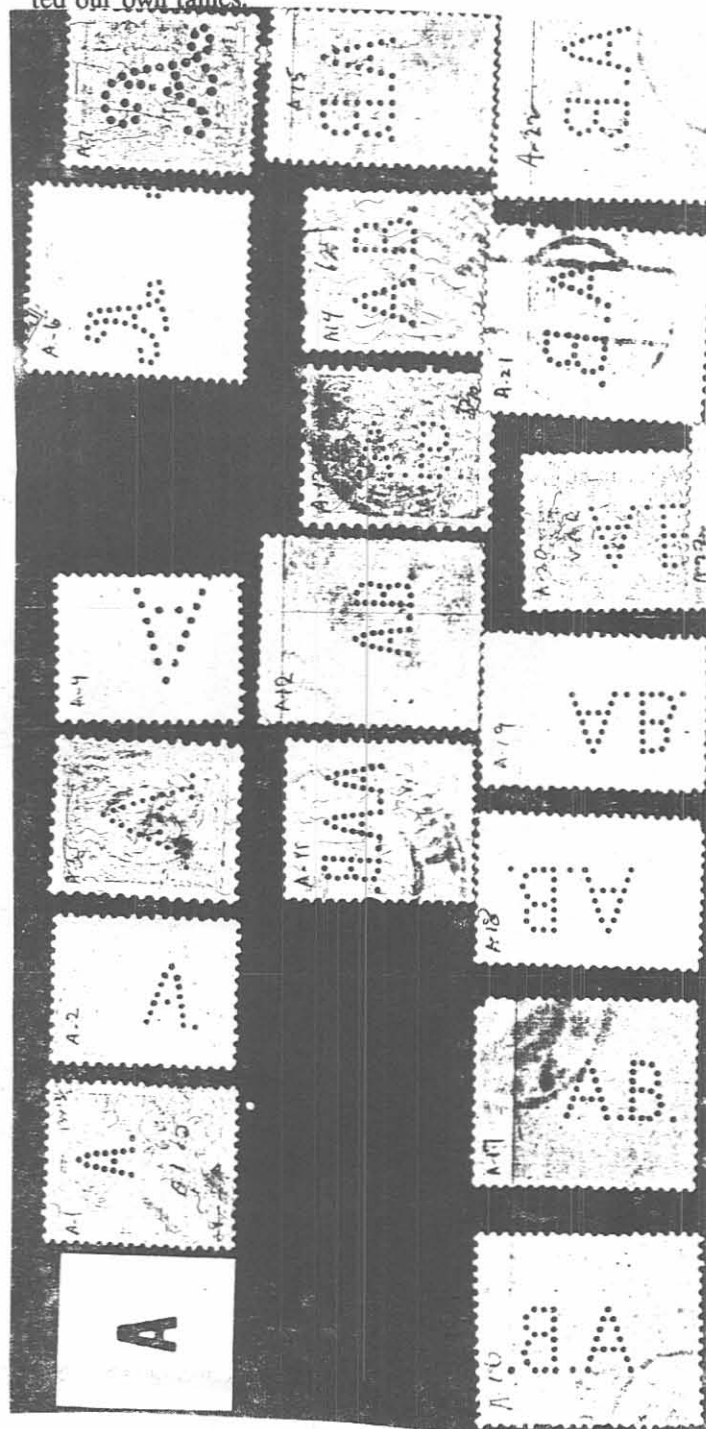
Collect C&T's. In precancel collecting they have T&T collecting which is one of the most popular types of collecting in the precancel field. T&T stands for "Towns and Types" and C&T stands for Countries and Types.

If you want to collect perfins worldwide, but believe that trying to get all the denominations of any given pattern is too much to go for, but you still want to collect foreign perfins then C&T is your answer, one stamp representing every known type of perfin from each country.

A sample of a C&T collection of Austria is shown. I use a quality transparent stock sheet like the Hagner sheet. The name of the country at the top and I have photocopied the letter of the alphabet in bold print. I place these before the start of each different letter of the alphabet. As I find a pattern, I place it in the proper position as listed in the

catalog of that particular country, leaving blank spaces for those patterns which are listed in the catalog, but which I do not have. It is then very easy to fill in the blank areas when I find a pattern to fill that space.

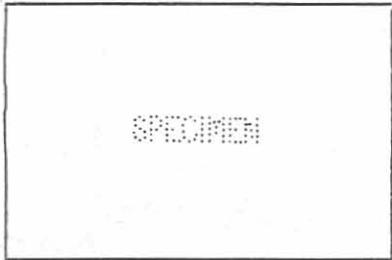
There was a small response to the last tally of worldwide perfins conducted by foreign catalog editor Bob Schwerdt. The next tally will be in about six years. This will give a lot of new members a good chance to come up with some additional tallies to submit for the next time and give some friendly competition of those who previously submitted our own tallies.



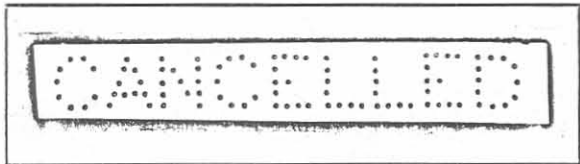
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SPECIMEN PUNCHES

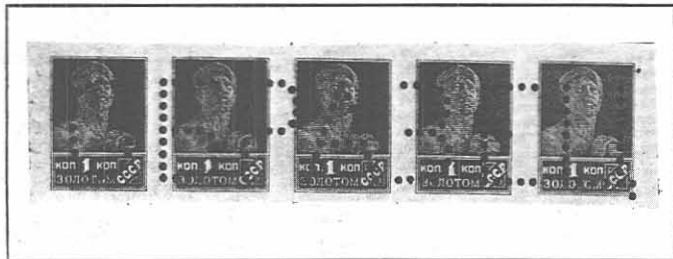
The illustrations for the Russian, Sarawak, and Siamese punch devices are not true size reproductions. Other types from other countries may exist.



Turkey & Mesopotamia



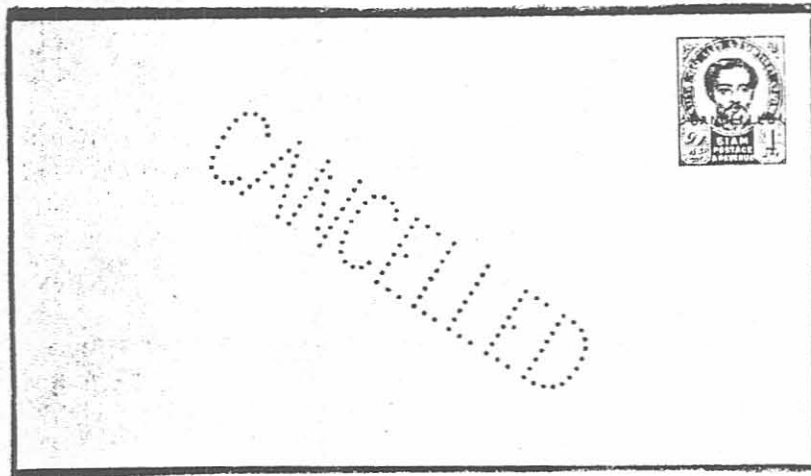
North Borneo



Russia & Offices in China



Sarawak



Siam

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## Yes, M49.5 is still in use

John Lyding

In February, 1995 Jim Estes raised a question regarding perfin M49.5 ("Modern Mystery", *TPB*, no. 476, p. 29). I have received several letters and comments regarding this particular perfin pattern.

Ferdinand Arndt (#1013) wrote to say that while he could not locate a reference, his first contact with this perfin pattern was on the 1969 Christmas issue (*Scott Catalogue* number 1384), precanceled Baltimore, MD. He went on to report that this precancel when perfined was much sought after at in late 1969 early 1970. The perfin was credited to the Mayor and City Council (MCC) of Baltimore City. It was misused philatelically during the early 1970's on a number of regular and commemorative issues. It is his recollection that in late 1969, the machine was in the office of the mayor's secretary.

Don Anderson (#293) also reported that the pattern's initials stand for Mayor and City Council, Baltimore, Maryland as reported by the *Handbook*

Hunting and Fishing Stamps especially on licenses, Stamp show cacheted covers, Stamp show U.S. canceled souvenir cards by BEP and USPS, Duck Stamps State and Federal, Picture post cards of early street scenes, Better grade foreign stamp accumulations or collections, or what else. Will give U.S. stamps regular postage type, perfins or precancels, or duck stamps in exchange or will buy, **BUT PLEASE WRITE FIRST.** Dorance Gibbs (#3093), 223 N. 20th., La Crosse, WI 54601. 5/96

### FOR SALE

100 Well mixed perfins: US \$7.00 or GB \$6.00. 100 well mixed precancels. No N.Y. or Chicago and locals included \$5.50. Dorance Gibbs (#3093), 223 N. 20th. La Crosse, WI 54601. F

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*On US Luminescent Stamps*, Alfred G. Boerger, 1975, p. 73. A portion of the page is reproduced on page 182.

Jo Ann Thomas (835F) provided photocopies of the two covers, partially illustrated on page 182, showing usage in 1945 and 1965. The 1945 envelopes' corner card cites Baltimore City Hospitals as the user while the 1965 mailing's corner card is "Supreme Bench of Baltimore City."



Bob Schwerdt (#505) kindly gave me his duplicate of the precanceled perfined 1969 Christmas issue, which is shown to the left

Finally, the photographically cropped cover illustrated at the end of this article was received by Joe Foley's daughter, Kathleen. Joe is a former president of APS and a frequent contributor to the philatelic press. He knows of my search for perfins and especially those used in Baltimore and hence his daughter contributed the cover to my collection.

It has long been my contention that pattern M49.5 and M50 are one and the same. Unfortunately, in order to prove this theses it would be necessary to assemble a large number of covers with the pattern. I also believe that the "MCC" stands for "Mayor and City Council."

The illustration has been photographically cropped to save space. The original is in my collection. The photocopy I sent to the US Catalog Editor for his evaluation is full sized.

The 1969 Baltimore Christmas "Overprints"  
A Special Issue of "Officials"

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It has been difficult to understand why nothing has been printed on the subject by philatelic members in Baltimore. It was used openly and not shrouded in any secrecy. I find it note worthy.

Quite possibly from where I sit the picture is more clear and we have a better understanding of Philately. I do not think it is being stretched out of proportion at all. There is plenty room to debate.

The USPOD ordered a special printing of 1969 Christmas stamps for Atlanta, Baltimore, Memphis and New Haven.

Evidently Baltimore has a bigger crime problem than the other cities on this experimental test. I can understand that reasoning very well. It is close to Crime Ridden Washington and at one time all Capitol Governmental Offices turned to Official stamps to frank their mail.

The City Fathers in Baltimore seem to have a lot of light fingered help on their staffs. The budget evidently felt the pinch and as a means to correct this, turned to the "Perf Initials" route, used by many firms. The sheets of stamps are carefully centered and run thru a machine that turns out punched initials reading: "MCC".



The Baltimore Officials

MCC - (Mayor and City Council)

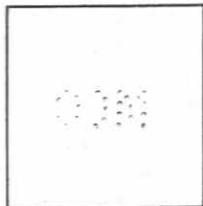
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Anyway you look at this it is for Official Use by that Official Office.

Since the 1969 Christmas Overprints were intended exclusively for the city of Baltimore we can safely say they are "Officials". Argue these as you will they were prepared as is.

This is not a common variety. Many U.S. Collectors have inquired for mint copies without help from The Baltimore dealers. Welcome to the Search on this one. Join in the hunt and YELL! if you can help!

MCC



Pattern M49.5, Reversed



Supreme of Baltimore City

JAMES A. PERROTT  
JUDGE



C. E. Shaw  
BALTIMORE CITY HOSPITALS  
4940 EASTERN AVENUE  
BALTIMORE - 24, MARYLAND

Richard H. Thompson,  
Vice-President  
Union Trust Company of Md.  
One North Charles  
Baltimore, Maryland 21203

Mr. W. H. Hiatt, Warden  
United States Penitentiary  
Lewisburg, Pennsylvania



CITY OF BALTIMORE  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
250 City Hall  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202



Ms. Kathleen M Forey

**Chicago Pneumatic Tool Company - C262**

Chuck Spaulding (#2355)

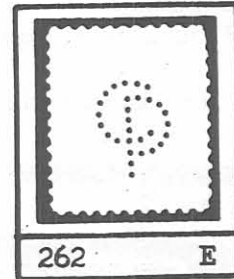
The illustrated cover shows that the Chicago Pneumatic Tool Company of Cincinnati, OH also

maintained a facility in Philadelphia, PA which used perfin pattern C262. This is addition to the data in the supplementary data section of *The Catalog of United States Perfins* which lists a Precancel from New York, NY and an envelope from Chicago, IL.

CHICAGO PNEUMATIC TOOL COMPANY  
237 NORTH 12TH STREET  
PHILADELPHIA, PA.



- User - Chicago Pneumatic Tool of Cincinnati OH also had an office in Philadelphia PA.

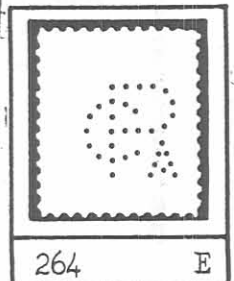


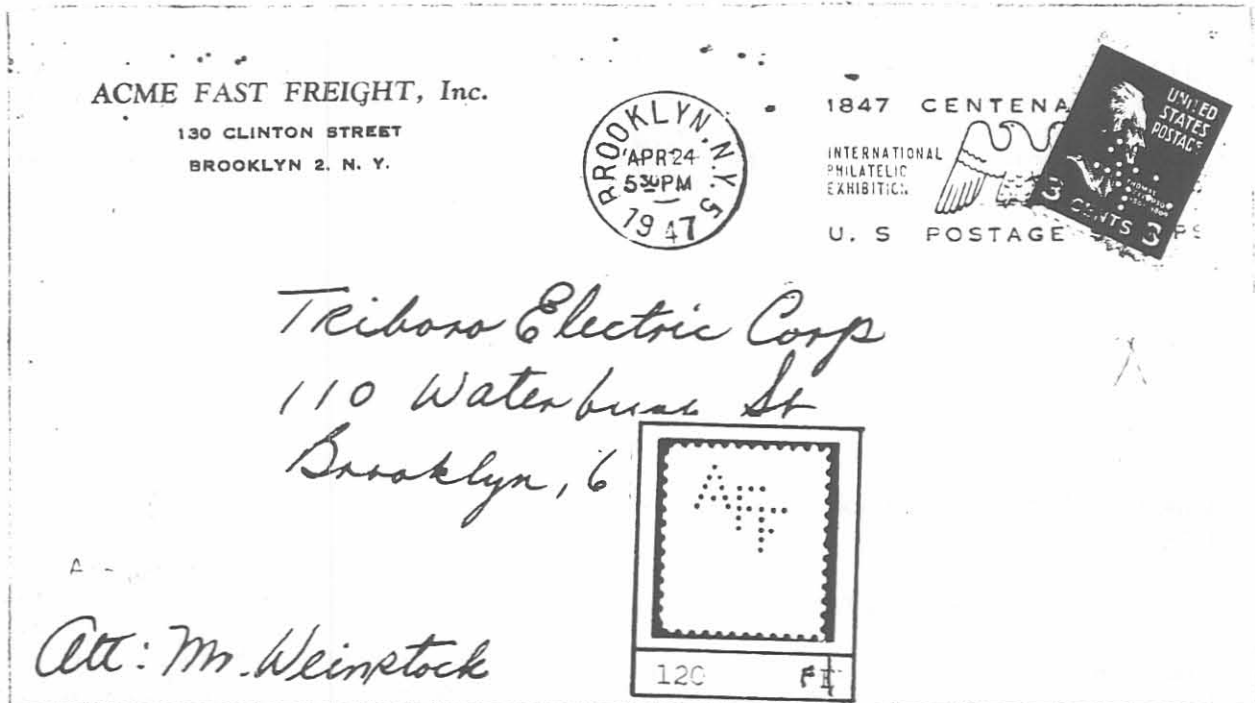
CLUETT, PEABODY & CO., INC.  
WATERFORD, N. Y.

**Cluett, Peabody & Company - C264**

Chuck Spaulding (#2355)

*The Catalog of United States Perfins* lists the Waterford, NY location of this collar and shirt manufacturer in the supplementary section. This cover shows that by 1943, the company was incorporated under the Cluett, Peabody & Company name.



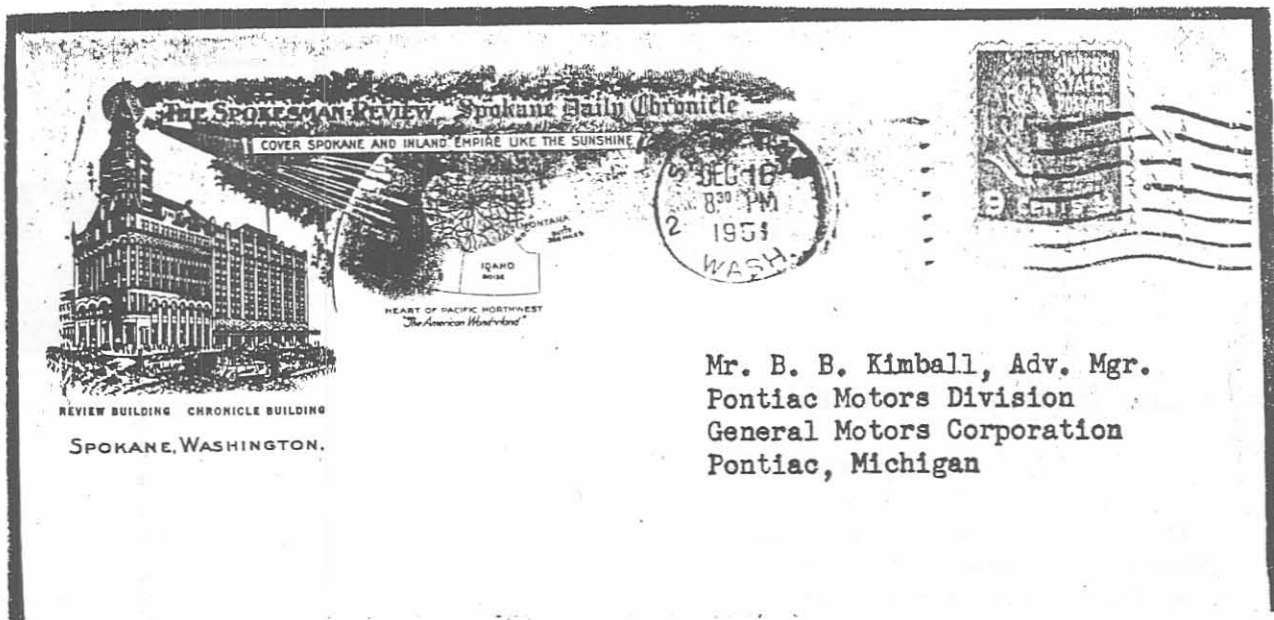


This cover provides additional information about Acme Fast Freight, Inc. the listed user of perfin pattern A120. We now have a more complete name for the company, Acme Fast Freight, Inc. and know that the company also operated an office out of 130 Clinton Street, Brooklyn, NY in 1947. This office is in addition to the Boston, MA address listed in *The Catalog of United States Perfins*.

We also have secondary information that indicates

the perfin pattern was used by Acme Tea & Storage Company, Long Island City, NY; Atlas freight, Inc., San Francisco, CA. In addition, postmarks from Philadelphia, PA; Atlanta, GA; and Milwaukee, WI have been found on stamps with this perfin pattern.

I grew up a couple of blocks away from the Brooklyn address. Since they were a freight company, I assume that they must have had offices in a number of cities.



## Walter B.L. Bose - LM61 - A Retrospective

Rudy Roy (#1124)

A chance reading in the January 1994, issue of *The American Philatelist* of the membership listings led me to discover that Dr. Bose was listed as deceased. Having exchanged correspondence with him some few years back, I thought perhaps a few words in his honor might be appropriate.

Dr. Bose was a pioneer cataloguer and researcher of perfins, particularly Argentina. We find first mention of Dr. Bose in the March 1953 issue of *The Perfins Bulletin*, page 1, where it was noted that he had published a series in *Revista de la Sociedad Filatelica Argentina* (Number 385-6, July-August, 1952 & September-October 1952). This was on Argentine perfins, their history and postal regulations, with a listing of 150 patterns, 80 percent of which were identified. A separate monograph was published by Dr. Bose the following year. These two works actually followed an article by Dr. Bose in *Asociacion Filatelica Portenda*, (Number 75, December 1946) entitled "Los Sellos Postales 'PERFORADOS' Con Autorizacion Del Correo Argentino."

A revised Bose catalog of Argentine perfins was published in 1986. His works have been the basis for the listings and identifications of Argentine perfins, including those in the "Americas Section" of *The World Perfins Catalog* published by the Club.

Dr. Bose was not only interested in perfins, but was also a renowned student of Latin American philately. *The Philatelic Literature Review*, journal of the American Philatelic Research Library (APRL), published "Walter B.L. Bose: Bibliography", (Vol. 25, No. 1, First Quarter 1976, pp. 6-26). Twenty-one pages simply to list his published material. He was also profiled in "TPB Member Biographies", (*TPB*, 141, March, 1963, pg. 2.)

While Dr. Bose may not have been well known in the United States, he did enjoy renown in the international philatelic community, serving on international exhibition juries and F.I.P. commissions. He was also curator of the Argentina Postal Museum at one time.

We can all be thankful for his many contributions, not only to perfins, but also to philately. His prolific writings will be greatly missed.

## Mountain Bell - T36

Joe Foley

Perfin pattern T36 is listed in *The Catalog of United States Perfins* as being used by the Mountain States Telephone Company, Helena MT. The photograph on page 432 is not the correct representation as it does not show the control hole under the letter "T".

A corrected photograph was provided in *Addition and Corrections #1-82* prepared by the late Joseph Balough as the first update to the general catalog. Illustrated below is a strip of ten on Mountain Bell letterhead. Full size photocopies of the sheet showing four rows of ten patterns have been forwarded to the US Catalog Editor.



Mountain Bell



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 The Secretary is Ralph W. Smith, PO Box 89511  
 Leesburg, FL 34789

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- 3343 Gibbons, John W.; 29839 Tamarack Court; Flat Rock, MI 48134  
 US, Beginner ..... By: Smith (LM87)
- 3344 Cmarada, Charles; PO Box 314; Kings Park, NY 11754  
 Beginner ..... By: Lyding (L116)
- 3345 Henry, Burl C.; 4 Shamrock Circle; Poughkeepsie, NY  
 Palestine Mandate & Chile ..... By: Schwerdt (#505)
- 3346 Vetter, Richard E.; 2003 Westfield Rd.; Joilet, IL 60435  
 US, Canada, Intermediate ..... By: Ottemheimer (LM86)
- 3347 Hann, Elwood Y.; 240 S. Broad St.; Lititz, PA 17543  
 US, Beginner ..... By: Ottemheimer (LM86)
- 3348 LaBarbiera, Dominick; 279 Marlboro Rd., Woodridge, NJ 07075  
 Canal Zone & Precancelled ..... By: Ottemheimer (LM86)
- 3349 Kirkpatrick, M.W., Jr.; 4103 Woodland Dr.; Fairfax, VA 22030  
 US, Beginner ..... By: Ottemheimer (LM86)
- 3350 Wexler, Fred C.; PO Box 3012; Milford, CT 06460  
 US & Europe ..... By: Ottemheimer (LM86)

REINSTATED:

- 2516 Thomas, Robert W.; 1304 Ferry St.; Easton, PA 18042

ADDRESS CHANGES:

- 2612 Langone, Kenneth V.; 3755 North Nellis, #90, Las Vegas, NV 89115  
 2188 Dowsley, Neil F.; 1673 Longacre Dr.; Victoria, B.C., V8N 2M9, Canada

DROPPED:

2004 Allison	1225 Greenberg	3236 Sailhammer
3228 Andrews	2795 Hagy	3234 Saxon
2465 Arnold	3262 Hendrickson	3275 Schiller
3120 Asbury	2196 Hendriks	2577 Schippert
3195 Baird	2630 Hill	3286 Schlicher
1977 Bavicchi	1981 Holyroyd	2854 Schuessler
3269 Becker	1140 Howard	3305 Schumacher
2733 Bennett	3334 Hummel	3279 Sellhorn
2754 Bernay	3316 Hunt	1029 Shott
3319 Boissonneault	3266 Jones	3321 Silliman
1890 Boller	2168F Kisner	3191 Smith
1279 Bowman	2295 Kliever	3256 Smith
2821 Bruce	2962 Lane	479 Speer
3314 Buchanan	3199 LeCount	3212 Spencer
2759 Buckwell	3304 Leemans	3291 Steinke
2250 Bundy	3312 Lehr	3224 Stephenson
2383 Callis	3202 Long	3231 Stergiou
3264 Carter	3126 Malkin	3030 Streible
2853 Christensen	3298 Martel	3171 Tanaka
3261 Coleman	3280 McCulloch	727 Thingvall
3214 Cooper	1418 McNey	2830 Thomas
3145 Croshere	3175 Miller	1746 Toth
3240 Cullen	1752 Mincher	2604 Trewern
1929 Dingenthal	3243 Mohme	3046 Verhoeven
3274 Dunmire	3038 Moore	3254 Vlcek
3192 Eeles	2677 Moulton	3181 Webb
3287 Eissler	3283 Myslinski	3218 Wheeler
3164 Espinoza	2755 Otten	3258 White
3310 Ewing	3284 Palush	1938 White

1814	Feigenbaum	2941	Pavlis	3318	White
3271	Fine	2918	Penn	3051	Wichelman
3048	Foley	2926	Perron	3325	Wilburn
3300	Ford	3025	Phillips	2119	Williams
3268	Gagon	2707	Pierce	3282	Wingeron
1889	Gahl	3326	Pioner	2045	Wojckowski
3141	Garverick	3303	Pohlkamp	2943	Wood
3327	Getlan	3123	Quinn	3125	Wright
3173	Getty	2040	Rabinow	1993	Wyman
1784	Golden	3073	Reuter	2868	Zandbergen
3143	Goldsmith	2699	Rice	3216	Zerillo
3272	Goloweyco	3167	Rinaldi	3142	Zonay
1783	Govier	2967	Runciman		2047 Zrobok

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Members as of July 31, 1995	810
New Members	+ 8
Reinstated	+ 1
Dropped - Dues	<u>-126</u>
Members as of August 31, 1995	693

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- 3351 Berry, Benjamin K.; 12021 Camino Valencia; Ceritos, CA 90703  
US, China, GB, Hong Kong ..... By: Howell (#2138)
- 3352 Lemmel, Arnold, Dr.; Neue Str. 106; Brenervorde, D-27432 Germany  
European, Intermediate ..... By: Ottenheimer (LM86)
- 3353 Phillips, Vanis E.; 637 Westover Dr.; Sidney, OH 45365  
US, Beginner ..... By: Smith (LM87)
- 3354 Frigstad, Donald C.; 1309 Draper Ave.; St. Paul, MN 55113  
US, Beginner ..... By: Smith (LM87)

**REINSTATED:**

- 2630 Hill, Robert W.; PO Box 722; Brookings, SD 57006
- 3287 Eisler, Roberto J.; Av. Mal. Deodoro, 165; Jaragua Do Sol-SC (89251-701) Brazil
- 3304 Leemans, W.L.; Deimosweg 3; Eindoven NL 5632GC, Netherlands
- 2795 Nagy, Joe E.; 2231 N.W. 17TH. St.; Oklahoma City, OK 73107
- 1752 Mincher, Robert J.; 1382 East 6TH. St.; St. Paul, MN 55106
- 3141 Garverick, Danny L.; R.D. #2 Box 55; Loganton, PA 17747
- 1981 Holroyd, Brian R.; 475 Ronning St.; Edmonton, Alberta, Canada T6R 1Z2

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