

The Bulletin

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1986 HALLOCK CARD AWARD WINNER

In a letter from Jon Johnson (LM28) Paul A. Mistretta was advised that he was the Hallock Card Award winner for 1986. To quote the nomination, which according to Jon says it all, "Our Bulletin is the life blood of the club. Our present (at the time of the nomination) editor, Paul Mistretta has increased coverage and made it an outstanding publication." We add our congratulations and hope that we manage to uphold the high standards set by Paul as the fifth editor of The Perfins Bulletin. The Hallock Card Award consists of a plaque of silver color inscribed with the name of the recipient, the date, and stating that it is the Hallock Card Award. It is mounted on a walnut base. The award is highest ward that the Perfins Club presents. Annually, it is presented to a deserving individual. The award is named after the original editor of 1Perfins, which became The Perfins Bulletin.

Paul A. Mistretta is employed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service as a Forest Pathologist. He is married and is the father, at age forty, of three boys and a six month old girl.

In addition to the Perfins Club, Paul is a member of the American Philatelic Society, the American Philatelic Research Library, the A.P.S. Writers Unit, the German Philatelic Society, the American Topical Association, and currently is acting as coordinator of the CENIA (Central Louisiana) Stamp Collectors Club.

Paul reports that he collects worldwide perfins and that he recently crossed the 12,000 mark. In addition, he has a worldwide collection of more than 50,000, and specialized collections of Germany, China, Canada, and pre 1945 U.S. FDC's. When his worldwide collection overruns the Scott International albums for a specific country, he prepares a country album for all major varieties (using his standards rather than Scott's). He also collects precancels worldwide and has a fairly strong U.S. collection. In addition to stamps, Paul is a confirmed bibliophile and reads whenever he can. Books about stamps, fungi, and science fiction are his favorites. In fact, his love of fungi has led to his most recent collection -- mushrooms on stamps -- which he admits is rapidly getting out of hand.

AUCTION 39 CLOSES APRIL 1, 1987

PLEASE READ THESE RULES BEFORE BIDDING!! Lots will be sold to the highest bidder at the following advances over the next highest bidder: Under \$1, a \$.05 advance; \$1 to \$2, a \$.10 advance; \$2 to \$5, a \$.25 advance; over \$5, a 10% advance. No unlimited bids will be accepted. No single bids for groups of lots will be accepted. Please make bids in multiples of \$.05. In case of tie bids, the first bid received will be accepted. Cash deposits on bids are not required. All single perfins are complete and in good condition unless otherwise specified. Straight edges are not considered damaged. In larger lots, mixes, etc., incomplete perfins, splits, and duplicates are to be expected.

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ABBREVIATIONS:

blk - block	ho - hole out at margin, not complete	pr - pair of stamps
blk4- block of 4	inc - incomplete	prov - provisionals
cc - corner card	iss - issues	pp(s)- pulled perf(s)
cd - post card	LL - large letters	sc - scuff of stp face
cl - clipped	lp - light punch; hole barely seen	se - straight edge
co - company	m - mint	sl - small letters
cp - clipped corner	mb - minimum bid	sp - split perfin pat
cr - creased stp	mg - monogram	stp - stamp
cv - cover	mx - mix	str - strip of stamps
dam - slight damage such as tear; corner off	nr - no rating	st - stock transfer
diag- diagonal pat	off - official	th - thinned stamp(s)
dif - different	ovpt- overprint	tp - triple punched
dp - double punched	pat - pattern(s)	tr - tear in stamp
dup - duplicate	pb - plate block	unl - unlisted
h,1h- perfin pat inc by # of holes	pc - precancelled	v - variety; 1 or more holes do not match the catalog illustration

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The Perfins Club. Auction # 39

LOT	CAT #	VALUE	SCOTT #	LOT	CAT #	VALUE	SCOTT #
Commercial Covers - United States				Post Cards - United States (con.)			
1	A76	E	806	46	C152A-14	C	583
2	A150 tr	D	718	47	H178	D	498
3	A221-24	D	807	48	L146	D	405
4	A287	E	708	49	M101	C	498
5	B3	F	807	50	M165	D	331
6	B12.7	B	406	51	R46	C	542
	Ad cover two sides			52	R159	C	405
7	C25	B	634	Corner Cards - United States			
8	C137	C	406	53	C362	E	406
9	C147 pc	E	638	54	F114	D	807
10	C159	B	557	55	O78	C	398
11	C245	D	1597	56	P197	E	1282
12	E24 sp	D	552	57	T81	F	901
13	H65	D	449	58	W59	E	807
	ripped edge			59	10 U.S. MISC ENV'S & 5 CC's		
14	H159A	B	557	Front Panels - United States			
15	I85 h	B	332	60	F72	D	552
16	I117	F	634x3	61	M47	E	807
17	J109.5	E	720	Railroad Covers			
18	J181	E	1597	62	80 Total (US 78, 2 Canada)		
19	L130	E	807	Foreign			
20	M9	F	807	63	French 20 reis pc with Republica ovpt, CFP pnc in left corner		
21	M9	F	775	Foreign Panels			
22	M13 stain	C	720	64	Germany J351 (J.R.) 86		
23	M50	E	807	65	England T110.3 (TC/&S) 148		
24	N76 trs	C	375	United States			
25	N90.5 h	E	807	66	A44 3h	B	556
26	N113-1	E	720	67	A44A	B	811
27	N113-12	E	634	68	A268.3	B	634
28	N113-12	E	634	69	A270-16 hi	C	403
29	N113 BbDd	D	634	70	A270-16 hi	C	404
30	P15	E	332	71	B5 bk4	C	498
31	P127	D	406	72	B9	B	332
32	P185	E	1597	73	B9 pp's	B	375
33	R135 unused	D	554	74	B108	B	530
34	S146	D	1280,1393	75	B116-37	C	815
35	T49	C	499	Post Cards - United States			
36	U47	D	748x2	45	B118	C	300
37	U56	F	1510				
38	U79	C	406				
39	W72-36	E	332				
40	W115.5	F	1286				
41	W149	D	554				
42	W197-7	D	720				
43	DES 29 trs	C	501				
44	10 MISC COVERS						

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United States (con.)				United States (con.)			
76	B118	C	319	124	J25.5	B	406
77	B118	C	378	125	J140	C	406
78	B118	C	416	126	K7 sp	B	332
79	B118 se,pps	C	319	127	K67	B	499
80	B165.7 se,3h	B	406	128	L29	C	556
81	B258	B	332	129	L29 hi	C	562
82	C40	C	615	130	L59	B	406
83	C40	C	615	131	L114 cp	B	501
84	C234	C	928	132	L133	C	374
85	C247.7	A	634	133	L140 se	B	331
86	C297	E	403	134	L172	B	332
87	C319 pps	C	585	135	L185.5	B	504
88	C371 sc	B	374	136	L191.5 tr	B	806
89	C385	C	367	137	M11 ho	B	425
90	C385	C	372	138	M66 hi	B	322
91	C385 hi	C	370	139	M91	B	400
92	C414	C	729	140	M95	B	503
93	C428	C	634	141	M102	C	375
94	D42 pc	E	470	142	M109	B	332
95	D55	C	375	143	M175 se	B	425
96	D55 ho	C	375	144	M204	B	375
97	D64	B	381	145	M204	B	374
	1 complete pattern			146	M236 pp	B	583
98	D73.5	C	1129	147	N59 se,pp	C	332
99	D73.5	C	1066	148	N71 cr	C	416
100	D136 hi	C	334	149	N71	C	416
101	D136 hi	C	336	150	N76	C	332
102	D141	C	300	151	N106	C	378
103	E20 se	C	375	152	N112	C	406
104	E101.5	B	562	153	N112	C	449
105	E101.5 2 cp	B	405	154	N132	C	554
106	F229 pp	B	376	155	N182 cr, sp	F	402
107	G7	B	332	156	N183	C	462
108	G160	C	414	157	N187 bk4	C	511a
109	G193	B	372	158	N190	C	375
110	G205	B	498	159	N190	C	375
111	G210	C	807	160	N202	C	332
112	H85	B	501	161	O25 cr	B	372
113	H88	B	406	162	P7	B	403
114	H126	B	406	163	P7 se	B	398
115	H130.5	B	1036	164	P13 se	C	332
116	H144	B	331	165	P102	C	375
117	H159 se	B	627	166	P103	B	566
118	H159 se	B	406	167	P104 hi	C	464
119	H214.5	B	476	168	P116	B	406
120	I25	B	332	169	P116 pc, cr	B	515
121	I30	B	332	170	P159	C	332
	2 sides cut			171	P241	B	405
122	I59	B	561	172	R103	C	375
123	J3	B	406	173	R103 3h	C	406

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United States (con.)				Parcel Post			
174	R109 pp's	C	505	211	C220 sp	B	Q2
175	R151	C	375	212	I107	C	Q9
176	S169	B	637	213	I107	C	Q9
177	S272-1	C	375	214	I107	C	Q6
178	S272-7	B	375	215	I107	C	Q6
179	S281	B	634	216	I107	C	Q5
180	S289 pc, 2h dbl pat	B	567	217	I107	C	Q5
181	T43 cr	C	591	218	I107	C	Q4
182	T48 se	B	374	219	I107	C	Q2
183	T89-8	B	567	220	I107	C	Q2
184	T119	C	931	221	J3 se	B	Q2
185	U28	B	375	222	R6 ho	D	Q1
186	V8 cr, tr	C	529	223	S62.5	D	Q1
187	W57	B	401	224	T42 th	D	Q6
188	W91	C	300	225	T76	C	Q5
189	W149 tr	D	308	226	U58	C	Q2
190	W158 hi	C	319	227	W133 cl	C	Q4
191	W210	C	374	228	W133 pps	C	Q4
192	DES41 pp	C	429	Special Handling - U.S.			
Schermacks				229	G72 cp	E	QE1
193	1	N	343	230	P56.6 se	D	QE4
194	11	N	344	231	U82.4	E	QE3
195	14	O	409	United States Packages			
196	16	O	344	232	75 Different C's		
197	30	M	344	233	30 Different C's		
198	53	N	343	234	15 Different C's		
199	59	O	343	235	100 Different D's		
200	64	M	344	236	50 Different D's		
201	65	P	343	237	10 Different D's		
202	69	O	344	238	100+ Mixed D's		
203	74	O	343	239	10 Different E's		
Airmail				240	A289X3(C) H207X2(D)		
204	B280		C23	241	1/2 oz. mix Washington 2 cent reds		
205	B280		C45	242	70 mix Scott 636		
206	M106B	E	C2	243	1.5 oz. mix Scott 720		
207	N206.5	C	C56	244	35 mix Scott 1052		
208	N206.5 cr	C	C56	245	5 oz. mixture		
209	W34.5 se. hi	A	C12	246	80 mix commemoratives		
209A	206 Mixture			247	97 mix precancelled Perfins		
Special Delivery				248	1/2 oz. mix Stock and Documentary		
210	A46X	B	E15				
210A	99 Mixture						

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Foreign		BAVARIA			CANADA (con)
ALGERIA		269 6 stps, 6 pats		290 C14	112
		270 3 stps, 3 pats		291 C20 sp	104
249 CL	C8	271 31 Mixture		292 C27	155
				293 C38	244
250 3 stps, 3 pats				294 C45	594
		BELGIUM		295 C52	191
ANGOLA				296 C61 pc, se	119
		272 29 dif pats		297 C61	157
251 BA	329	273 10 stps, 8 pats		298 C61	175
		274 101 Mixture		299 C61	226
ARGENTIA				300 C63 sp	152
		BOLIVIA		301 D7	108
252 33 (BNA)	C40			302 G2	107
253 68 (B.A.)	C93	275 ADD	73	303 G10	340
254 10 stps, 9 pats				304 J8	105
255 5 stps, 5 pats		BOSNIA & HERZEGOVINA		305 J9 pr (2h, h)	190
256 48 Mixture				306 M3	174
		276 P.L.B. on 1879, 1900, 1906 & 1917 issues. MB \$1.50		307 M3	175
AUSTRALIA				308 M3 h	209
257 53 stps, 15 pats		277 S.T. red tint	66	309 M5	105
258 14 Mixture		278 TT	35	310 N1	111
259 180 Mixture				311 N4	107
		BRITISH HONDORAS		312 N7	107
AUSTRALIAN STATES				313 N14	248
		279 8 Mixture		314 N19	328
260 18 stps, 13 pats, INC PNC				315 N28	167
		BRITISH SOUTHWEST AFRICA		316 O1 ho	107
AUSTRALIAN ANTARTIC TERRITORY		280 12/18/05 Revenue		317 O1	113
				318 O7 h	197
261 JD/&Co	L4	BULGARIA		319 O7 h	118
				320 O8	262
AUSTRIA		281 2	212	321 P4	112
		282 3	202	322 P6 sp	153
262 DESB	313	283 3	202	323 P6	175
263 5 Diff designs MB \$1.20		284 5 stps, 5 pats		324 Q1	259
264 11 stps, 11 pats				325 R8	106
265 22 stps, 19 pats		CANADA		326 S2	202
266 91 values on paper 1908-17 57 dif pats & 4 prs MB \$11.00				327 S2	254
		285 A8	146	328 S3	135
267 90 values on paper 1920- 29 pats (blks, prs, & strips) MB \$13.00		286 G5	116	329 S9	190
		287 G5	117	330 S13	106
268 53 Mixture				331 W5	401
		CANADA		332 W14	257
		288 B5 se	104	333 W17	148
		289 C13	117		
				CANADA AIR MAIL	
				334 O7	C6
				335 O8	C1

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Foreign (con.)			CUBA			GERMANY (con.)		
	CANADA SPECIAL DELIVERY		353	BNC sp	254	376	DES 69 h	90
			354	NCB (angle dn)	265	377	DES 77	425
336	08	E7		CURACO		378	DES 104	377
	CANADA TAX		355	MB two stps		379	DES (G in flask)	381
337	T8	MR4	356	48 Mixture		380	12 dif pats	
	CANADA CUSTOMS			CZECHOSLAVAKIA		381	300+ Mixture	
338	E6 One cent green.		357	33 Mixture			Offices in the Turkish Empire	
	CANADA MIXTURE			DENMARK		382	KB pp, repaired	27
339	23 Mixture		358	03	335		GREAT BRITAIN	
340	199 Mix (58 OHMS)		359	54 dif pats, 231 stps, MB \$16.00		383	C455 (CL/L)	101
	CANAL ZONE		360	68 dif pats, MB \$6.00		384	G326.2 (GLYN)	99
341	P	33	361	92 dif pats MB \$8.50		385	H497.1 cut square on postal stationary	
	CAPE OF GOOD HOPE		362	18 Mixture		386	H&S (PL #15)	30
342	C&H	49	363	71 Mixture		387	JR/&/Co	78
343	JD&Co	57		ECUADOR		388	J682.2 (JS)	114
	CEYLON			EGYPT		389	N295A (NSD/1975) booklet mint pr	
344	24 Mixture		364	BDE	210	390	S785 (SUR)	33
	CHILE			FRANCE		391	DES 14	187
345	10 Mixture		365	3 stps, 2 pats		392	JS&CO underprint pp	33
	CHINA			FRANCE		393	24 dif commercial overprints	
346	NCB(angle dn)pp	313	366	84 Mixture		394	42 stps, 17 pats	
347	Y.T.T 2 stps		367	282 Mixture		395	49 stps, 4 wmk sideways 38 dif pats	
348	3 dif stps HS/BC			FUNCHAL		396	103 Mixture	
	COLUMBIA		368	BB/C	23	397	2-3/4 oz Mixture	
349	B/AA	373	369	LB/C	23		GREECE	
350	B/AA	401		GERMANY		398		206
351	B/DE/C	363	370	F1 inc pnc, hi	74	399	T.E. h	411
	CRETE		371	K21	355		HUNGARY	
352	X cp	53	372	POL C2	420	400	75 Mixture	
			373	S41	46a			
			374	V5	357			
			375	DES 9	66			

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Foreign (con.)			MADAGASCAR			POLAND		
	INDIA		418	C.N.	284	439	B.A.L.	256
401	41 Mixture		MAURITIUS			440	B.A.L.	230
	IRELAND		419	2 pats		PORTUGAL		
402	34 stps, 18 pats		MONACO			441	B.N.U. cr	C9
403	65 Mixture		420	C.N.	73	442 18 Mixture		
	ITALY		MOROCCO			QUEENSLAND		
404	32 Mixture		421	B.B. 6 dif stps		443 ALLEN 117		
405	172 Mixture		NETHERLANDS			REPUBLIC SOUTH AFRICA		
	Offices in the Turkish Empire		422	BEM	78	444 66 stps (6 dif stps) C/CC pat		
406	LC (monogram) Constantino ple overprint	1	423	BS/M	149a	RHODESIA		
	JAPAN		424	CB	307	445 BSA/C tr 66		
			425	DES dragon	218	ROMANIA		
			426	33 Mixture		446 U1 cr. th 112		
			427	149 Mixture		447 24 Mixture		
			NIGERIA			448 27 Mixture		
407	G21	387	428	NRC	189	SAAR		
408	H43	84	NORWAY			449 GG 126		
409	G6 9h	142	429	2 stps, 1 pat		SIERRA LEONE		
410	G29 tr	140	NEW SOUTH WALES			450 2/WIR 34		
411	ANCHOR inc pnc	261	430	AM 4 dif stps		SPAIN		
412	15 Mixture		431	DUE	78	451 11 stps, 4 pats		
413	16 stps, 9 pats		432	H.L./&Co 8 dif stps		452 62 Mixture		
	KENYA		433	S 4 dif stps		SUDAN		
414	29 stps, 2 pats		434	10 dif pats		453 AS 12		
	KIAUTSCHOU		435	6 stps, 3 pats		SWAZILAND		
415	D.A./B.	26	PALESTINE			454 Specimen 4 dif stps		
	LEBANON		436	ACo	119			
416	A.P.C.	83	437	A.P.C.	77			
	LUXEMBURG		PERU					
417	3 stps, 3 pats		438	D.F.C. cr	RA19			

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Foreign (con.)			TRIESTE			SOUTH AFRICA< CAPE		
			460	CI	61	OF GOOD HOPE & NATAL		
SWEDEN			TUNISIA			468 6 pats, 17 stps		
455	7 stps, 5 pats		461	7 stps, 2 pats		WORLD MIX		
SWITZERLAND			VENEZUELA			469 15 Countries, 28		
456	31 Mixture		462	G.P. sp	274	stps, 22 pats		
TANGANYIKA			463	G.N.	C100	470 25+ Countries,		
457	11 stps, 1 pat		464	G.N.	350	70 stps		
			465 G.N. 4 stps			CABOOSE SEE		
			EUROPE MIX			PHOTO COPIES BELOW		
TASMANIA						78	471 US 37 cent	
457	A type 2	77	466	25 stps, 24 pats		Millikan		
458	9 stps, 4 pats		BRITISH COLONIAL			149a	472	German Swan 368
			MIX				473	Manchuko 90
			467 12 stps, 8 pats				474	Thailand 158
							475	Greece 223



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NEW CATALOGS AVAILABLE

Art Atkinson reports that the following new items are now available from him:

Belgium Catalog Supplement 18 pages. 1986.....\$1.50

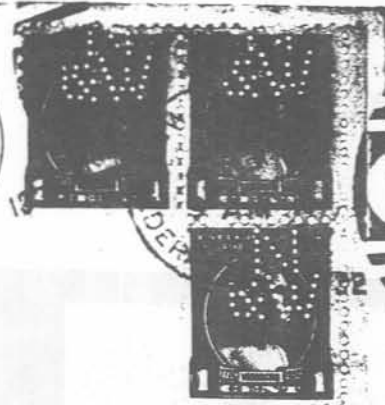
Spanish Catalog 70 pages. Bergman, Logerwall, Swenson..\$5.50

To get either of these items write Art Atkinson, 5109 "A" Street, Lincoln, NE 68510. Include payment and -- be sure to include your return address! Prices quoted are for prepaid delivery in the United States or Canada. Prices to other countries will be quoted upon request prior to shipment.

As new catalogs become available notices will be printed in the Bulletin.

NON-COMMERCIAL NORFOLK & WESTERN

The illustrated cover, with a New York George Washington Bicentennial Commission cachet was apparently posted from a post office station at Federal Hall, NY. Submitted by John Funkhouser (#1638), the cover is addressed to Jim H. Brimmer of Norfolk, VA and it contained the illustrated advertisement for Percy Orrell and Buck Bremmer's, "clever, comical, and courageous" Tight Wire Bicycle and Trapeze Act. How the perfins got on the green one cent value of the Washington Bicentennial issue and why they were applied to a cover commemorating George Washington signing of the act which created the Treasury Department is a mystery.



Jim H. Brimmer
428 W.26 th St.
Norfolk, Va

Additional illustration on next page

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CLEVER :: COMICAL :: COURAGEOUS

IN

Comedy Combination of
Tight Wire Bicycle Riding

AND

Trapeze Act

WITH

LAUGHABLE GROUND WORK

Thirty Minutes of Fun and Thrill



BUCK BREMMER

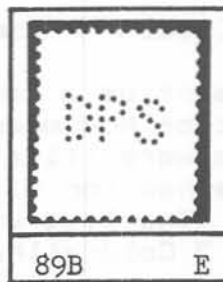
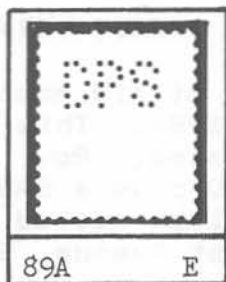
THE FATE OF D89B

Harry Rickard

Los Angeles County used many perfins in various departments, including the Department of Safety, which handled pattern D89A.

Look-alike pattern D89B has been called a die variety. If so, it should be eliminated. However, if from a different perforator, which somehow received short usage, then the rating should be raised to suit this scarcity.

The solution, elimination, or elevation will depend upon members who have copies and who report them to me at 1887 Altozano Dr., El Cajon, CA 92020. Please report quantity, Scott Catalogue number, and which holes are missing, if any.



PERFIN CLUB PARTICIPATION "SEPAD 86"

Submitted by: Irvin W. Holloway

The Associated Stamp Clubs of Southeastern Pennsylvania and Delaware, Inc., sponsor of SEPAD 86 welcomed The Perfins Club to the Philadelphia area's largest stamp show in historic Valley Forge, PA on September 12-14, 1986. Section 3 of this show filling 26 frames was devoted to PERFINs. Award winners were:

PERFINs OF PENNSYLVANIA, Edward S. Hoyt (292). This display which shows representative PERFINs from all towns and cities of Pennsylvania known to have used PERFINs. Awarded a Silver-Bronze Medal and the Perfins Club Award.

POSTAL SECURITY ENDORSEMENTS, Dr. Harvey G. Tilles (LM7). Illustrates what countries, companies, and postal authorities have done to postal material to prevent reuse, forgeries and theft. This exhibit was transferred by the judges to the miscellaneous category as it covered security endorsements rather than be restricted to perfin. Awarded a Vermeil Award.

Why PERFINs ARE INTERESTING TO COLLECT, Harry Rickard (1802). Shows single and five die perforator, various collecting fields; specialized collection, plating, research results, new discoveries, interesting and scarce covers. Awarded a Silver-Bronze Medal. Second Place Perfins Club Award.

PERFINs ON RAILROADS, Irvin W. Holloway (1321). Stamps and covers showing PERFINs used by railroad companies. Awarded a Bronze Medal.

RAILROAD PERFINs, H. Frederick Vopper (1863). Railroad PERFINs of the United States and Canada, and U.S. railroad corner strips. Awarded a Bronze Medal.

RAILROAD PERFINs, Robert Gray (80L) Illustrated PERFINs as used by several railroad companies.

ROY EVERETT'S NEW SALES LIST

Roy Everett sent us a copy of his most recent Great Britain Perfins Sales List of November 1986. This is his 24th. monthly sale and 324 items were illustrated. Roy writes to say that trial lists may be had for \$1.00 plus a SASE with 22 cents US postage attached. The list will be mailed from the U.S. Write to: Roy Everett, 2 Coldnailhurst Avenue, Braintree, Essex CM7 7SJ, England.

NEW A & C PAGES

Now all collectors will have the opportunity of ascertaining how many new varieties are among the duplicates or in your collection.

A new innovation with the new pages, are descriptive differences to be found in the almost 70 new varieties listed, in addition to new patterns.

I well remember how I became interested in hunting for new varieties. In an auction, I bought a supposed A190. When about to mount it, it appeared to be different than the catalog picture. Sure enough, it turned out to be new, A190.5.

The newly listed B1.5, in A&C #3, was sold as B4 in the last auction. Instead, it is the only known copy, so far, of a new variety.

Unless you have the A&C pages, you will never know what you are missing. All look-alikes are not the same.

Send \$2.00 cash or a check made out to the Perfins Club, and get your post paid A&C, nine double sided pages of pictures and information. After April 1, 1987 order from F. A. Atkinson catalog sales. But, if you can't wait rush your \$2.00 to:

Harry Rickard
1887 Altozano Drive
El Cajon, CA 92020

COLLECTION FOR SALE

The following letter was received by Paul Mistretta and forwarded to us. It is quoted as received:

17 November 1986

Dear Paul

I have a perfin collection for sale. Will give a brief description.

There are about 3,850 many Washington, Franklin Heads. Multiples blocks and pairs. Comms, mostly thru the prexies. Was a old-time perfin collector who was a member of the Perfin Club in the 50's. You may have known him, a Mr. Arthur M. Henry.

Will take the best offer over \$150.00 received by 1 February 1987. My address is 2980 Prince Howard Drive, Marietta, Georgia 30062 or telephone (404) 971-7398. I will pay postage.

/s/N. W. BOATWRIGHT
2980 Prince Howard Drive
Marietta, Georgia 30062

A NEW PERFINS THEORY

Departments for Pattern
Harry Rickard

Many scientific facts are evolved from theories based upon factual findings. This can also happen in our hobby of collecting and studying perfins.

When perfins were first legalized for usage in the United States, there were probably quite a few single die devices ordered. This may have been due to the lower cost of these single die perforators or the uncertainty surrounding the estimated needs of the firms ordering the device.

When the original edition of the U.S. catalog was issued two different "BOSTON" patterns had been identified and were included. By the time that "A&C" pages number two were issued another different "BOSTON" pattern was also shown. Now, in the forthcoming "A&C" pages number three a new "BOSTON" pattern will appear, making a total of four different known "BOSTON" patterns.

Since the four different patterns are a fact, and since there were a substantial number of single die perforators in 1908-09, the supposition for the "BOSTON" patterns is, that at least four or more single die perforators were initially ordered for different departments. Since these were single dies, templates were not used by the manufacturer resulting in four look-alike patterns. However, differences in these pattern, by our standards of identification, result in four separate catalog entries.

As the total number of perforators is unknown, there is a likelihood that there may be unlisted examples of this perfin in circulation or in your collection. So, be on the lookout for potentially unlisted examples as well as the new die.

Some, so called "die varieties" might be the result of more than one single die device, rather than non-template multiple die perforators as previously suspected.

This matter requires more study to reach a decision and several candidates are now being studied. Please report any candidates of information bearing on this subject to the catalog editor.

Notes from the Editor's Desk

Received a nice letter from former editor, Floyd A. Walker (# 849 - P.O. Box 82, Grandview, MO 64030) suggesting that whenever we mention a name in the Bulletin, the address be included. It sounds like a good idea, unfortunately a little late for this edition, but we will try to follow Floyd's idea in the future.

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT

THE SECRETARY IS RALPH W. SMITH, RR 1 - BOX 5645, DRYDEN, ME 04225

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- 2498 Buckman, William R.: 5344 Marconi #156, Carmichael, CA 95608
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- 2499 Bentley, Ronald: 2600 North 24 th. Street, Arlington, VA 22207
French Indochina By: Hoyt
- 2500 Klose, William F. II: P.O. Box 28, Noxen, PA 18636
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- 2501 Duree, Bernard E.: P.O. Box 11, Leavenworth, KS 66048
U.S. By: Kunavich
- 2502 Wibier, Joop A.: Postbox 3287, 4700 GG Roosendaal, Netherlands
Worldwide By: Mewhinney
- 2503 Lutz, Arnold D.: 2000 Valley Forge Circle, Apt 336, King of
Prussia, PA 19406
U.S. By: Holloway

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- 1449 Leen, Morris W.: P.O. Box 53, Shrub Oak, NY 10588

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- 2479 Bechwith, John A.: 8721 S.W. 43 rd Terrace, c/o Ragan, Miami,
FL 33165

SUMMARY:

Members as of September 30, 1986	754
New Members	+ 6
Reinstated	+ 1
Members as of November 30, 1986	<u>761</u>

FREE WANT ADS FOR MEMBERS

Classified ads are published without charge for members of The Perfins Club in The Perfins Bulletin. Members submitting want ads are requested to submit them at least one month prior to the particular issue in which publication is desired. The Perfins Bulletin will also publish, without charge material from nonmembers deemed to be of interest to the club.

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MORE ON WINKLEY A.L.Co.

Kenneth Prueter (#212 - 525 Topping Ln. London, Ontario, Canada N6J 3M8) wrote to forward a letter he received while trying to identify Canadian perfin J4. The letter he received will also be of interest to U.S. collectors as well, particularly in connection with perfin J44. From Bob Gruman of Grand Marais, MN:

Dear Mr. Prueter:

Your letter sent to Winkley A.L.Co. has been forwarded to me.

The Winkly A.L.Co. was indeed located at 1326-28-30 Washington Ave. N. from 1906 until 1969. My grandfather, Lowell E. Jepson built that building and remained President of the Winkley Artificial Limb Company until his death in 1938.

I do not remember the perforation of the stamps, but it must have been. For years, Winkley operated with the subtitle Jepson Brothers. The company manufactured and fitted artificial limbs from 1880 until 1957. I owned and operated it from 1957 until 1984. My son operates it as the forth generation.

The advertising for this company was in English, French, and Spanish as Winkley did business in the U.S., Canada, and Mexico. Also occasionally in Central and South America. At one time Winkley was billed as, "the largest manufactory of artificial limbs in the world."

Sincerely,

/s/ Robert C. Gruman

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CHRISTIE'S ROBSON LOWE BOURNEMOUTH AUCTION - PRICES REALIZED

From Robert J. Schwerdt (# 505) - 9 Memory Lane, Poughkeepsie,
NY 12603 and Mrs Mary C. Page (LM44) - 2810 S. E. 35th. Street,
Ocala, FL 32671.

Both Robert Schwerdt and Mary Page (letters received in that order) were kind enough to report some of the prices realized in the Christie's Robson Lowe auction held in Bournemouth that was reported in the October 1986 edition of the Bulletin. The following is a combined report.

o Lot #28. A collection of used stamps (12-1500) with Erie, France, Germany, Netherlands, USA, and Mauritius plus perfins on cover of the Commonwealth (7) including 1874 Ceylon 48 cents, 1902 India used in Burma, etc. Estimated: £50.00 Realized: £121.00.

o Lot #74. Perfins; a collection with study of Tasmania departmental perfins including "O.S." on values to 1/. Western Australia punctured Swans, some "I.R." overprints, etc. Estimated: £100.00 Realized: £132.00.

o Lot #549. Included overprints, underprints, early specimen perfins from J. Sloper, commemorative card issued by Sloper's firm in 1939 headed "Through Five Reigns" with examples of adhesives including 1840 1d. with security perfins, brochure produced at the same time by Sloper, etc. Estimated: £250.00 Realized: £440.00.

o Lot #550. A collection of envelopes, cards, and postal stationary the majority to overseas destinations, all the stamps and some of the stationary have perfins. Estimated: £70.00 Realized: £264.00.

o Lot #551. A collection of many hundreds arranged alphabetically in booklets on all GB reigns. Estimated £50.00 Realized £220.00.

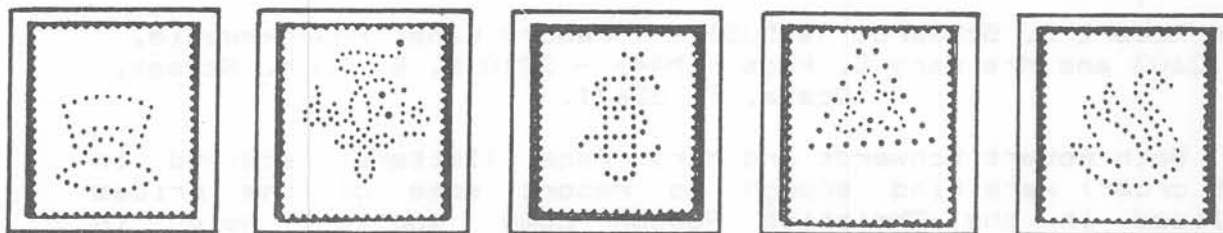
All the lots were sold for more than the estimated value -- the last lot listed (#551) was knocked down at a figure more than four times its estimated value. It would appear that the collecting of perfins is in a financially healthy state at present.

Also see comment on page 30

PERFINS OF GERMANY

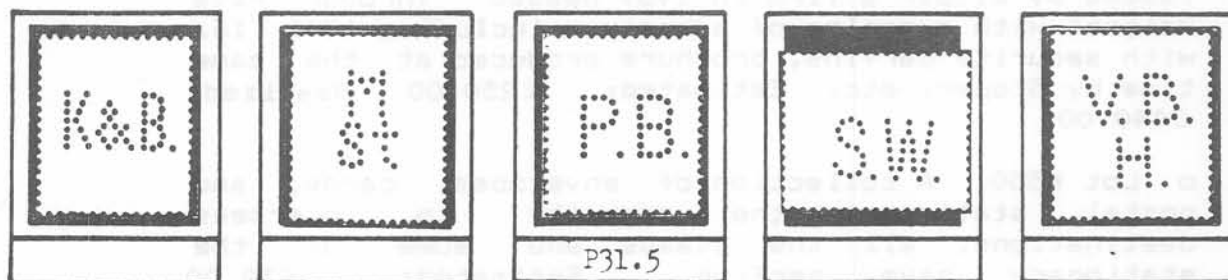
Harry Rickard
887 Altozano Drive, El Cajon, CA 92020

Germany has produced the highest number of perfins after Great Britain. Their ingenuity has made many interesting patterns, some of which are illustrated with this article.



Two Perfin Club Members, John Needham (LM41), 9801 Dewey Drive, Garden Grove, CA 92641 and Edwin Stuntzer (#519) 1003 Exchange Street, Emporia, KS 66801, have been responsible for the present German work sheets which are available through the Perfin Club's Library. These pages list known types, with dimensions and hole count for easier identification. Unusual designs and patterns which are dimensionally similar but which are different types are illustrated.

A German album, with pictures of known German perfins can be produced with a bit of help from concerned members. The pictures are the main drawback to album production. It will NEVER get done without volunteer help and now is the time for a few volunteers to get together and complete the project in a few months.



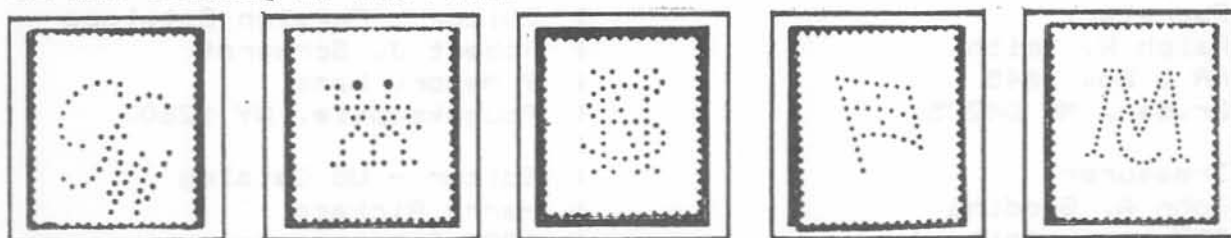
Typing identifiers on a page is easy for those with a typewriter or access to one and the other jobs are also easy.

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Postmaster: Send address changes to The Perfins Club, R.R. 1 Box 5645, Dryden, ME 04225 (ISSN 8750-1627)

For over a year, I have asked through the Bulletin for someone to become the club's photographer. There were no volunteers, so I decided to learn how. With the help of Robert Schwerdt (#505) who provided the instructions, which are published elsewhere in this edition of the Bulletin, I was able to produce the illustrations that are used in the new Additions and Corrections (A&C) pages #3 for the U.S. Album.

If I, a 79 year old, can do it, I'm sure that anyone else: male, female, young, or old, can do the same. Since the procedures are outlined elsewhere in this issue, it is my hope that that some concerned members will volunteer to help get the German Catalog on the road.

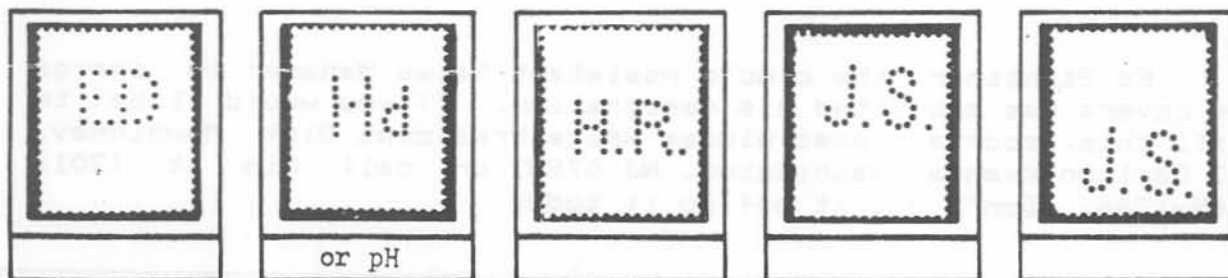


Remember, the response to this appeal will determine if a German Catalog is ever produced in this country.

John Needham and I have discussed the various factors that are involved and we are sure that the illustration process could be speeded up by having several persons involved covering individual letters. It might be best for those persons to first make photographs of selected letters in their own collections, thus eliminating the need to ship perfin around too much.

To start, we need a count of each German perfin in your collection. List designs, Bavaria and side issues separately. Do it now, so that we can get an early start and have a finished catalog before the year's end.

Send your count to either John Needham or me. Please include a note as to whether you want to learn to make photographs, type catalog pages, paste on photographs, or any combination of the above. Detailed instructions will be provided to anyone interested in making prints. After the first one, its a snap.



DECEMBER ELECTION RESULTS

Ed Hoyt (# 292) and Ralph W. Smith (LM87) were reelected unopposed to regular three year terms as Vice President and Secretary respectfully. A complete listing of club officers & committeemen is provided below.

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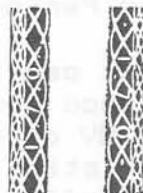
Ed Stuntzner, the club's Assistant Sales Manager in charge of covers has submitted his resignation. If you would like to fill this important post please write President Dick Mewhinney, 33 Carlton Avenue, Washington, NJ 07882 or call him at (201) 689-1266. Don't put it off do it today!

INTENSIVE COLLECTING Plates, OPs, Etc.

Tom Current

Reprinted from the GBCC QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER, October 1986,
No. 29 with permission

Herewith, we begin a series about the fascinating and repelling hobby by-way of becoming obsessed with a particular issue. This first installment will be the easiest to write, because we're going first with the well known "Penny Red with Plate Numbers in Scrollwork."



The last plate of the style with stars in the upper corners was #68. The letters in all four corners began with two dubbed shots--plates 69 and 70 were faulty and never issued, and 75 and 77 were also faulty and not supposed to be used although several copies of plate 77 found their way onto the market and are now very expensive. Later, plates 126 and 128 were also rejected, and 226 to 228 were prepared but not printed.

I. So our first collection is the 151 plate numbers that are considered a set (71-74, 76, 78-125, 127, 129-225). If you are curious about the relative scarcity of these stamps, check the QV Handbook pp 1.1f-25 & 26 for the number of sheets printed for each plate, except the following: pl. 218-37,000,000 sheets; 219-12,000,000; 220-37,000,000; 221-31,000,000; 222-30,000,000; 223-15,000,000; 224-20,000,000; 225-3,000,000. These are estimates from R. Hyde's Catalogue.

If you are good with color shades, you might try for a full 151 in the brick red or lake-red shade, but that might be stretching things a mite. I read someplace that a shades expert had identified 42 different shades, but for a consideration I won't try to fine the article.

II. How about trying for a complete set with a date of use showing the postmark, or a set with numeral cancels in good condition, or some particular type of cancel (Ireland, or Scotland for example).

III. The easiest challenge might be a collection of one each of the 240 letter positions on the sheet: AA(bottom letters), AB, BA, AC, CA, BB, etc.

We'll be reasonable about this aspect. You could, if you insist, reconstruct a sheet from the same plate. It would be more fair. After all, how can you claim a sheet is

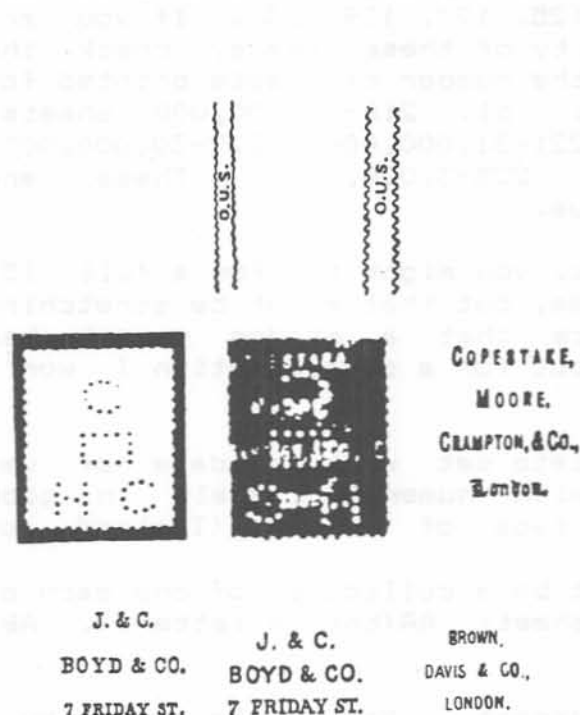
reconstructed if it has all different plate numbers? I've been working on plate 171 for 6 or 8 years. I've got all but about 5 of them. I found the sixth one about three years ago. Huzzah!

Some have gone the last mile, hunting the 151 plates and 240 positions, or a mere 36,260 copies. It is nice initially because you can use almost any stamp you come across.

IV. Now, let's consider collecting perfins on penny reds. Don't blame me for this one--blame Joseph Sloper who won a patent for his perforating machine in 1858. He recommended that companies apply their initials or other code to the company stock of stamps to "encourage" employees not to pilfer them. The P.O. finally okayed the stunt in 1868. The first great collector of perfins was Charles Bein of England who had over 30 thousand in his collection. He and others called them "Spifs" not perfins (Stamps Perforated with Initials of Firms).

Now, you can collect perfins of certain types (or any type) on penny reds, and a good source would be the GBCC Perfins circuit books (or the GBCC QV circuit books for not just perforated reds but any other description of penny red). (EDs note: The sales department of the Perfins Club is an outstanding source). The first 3 known, in case you want to specialize are T.J.A., JCB&C, and BB&Co, all pretty scarce.

V. There are two types of overprints that you could collect on penny reds (or on anything else, for that matter). First there is a protective overprint which firms and societies used as a security measure. Second, there are overprints applied for use in a British Colony. You can suit yourself about the latter but the former is properly a GB pursuit.



The precedent was set by the Oxford Union Society which had been imprinting stamps with their initials since 1859, "O.U.S." vertically on the face. They gave them free to members. The PO agreed in 1867 to allow other companies to imprint stamps, but on the back. The OUS was required at the same time to change to imprinting the stamps on the back. (EDs note. Those stamps which were so printed under post office auspices were printed prior to being gummed. These are referred to as "underprints". Some firms had their identity printed on the back of gummed stamps as purchased from the post office. Such overprints on the gum are scarce and of course are not found used.)

The Stanley Gibbons Specialised Catalogue, Great Britain, Vol. 1, Queen Victoria has a good section on them (Appendix B), but there aren't many companies to find (on or off penny red stamps).

It would be ridiculous, of course, to try for underprints and overprints on every plate or sheet position. It's enough of an ambition to just assemble one of the most possible companies.

VI. Other varieties of penny red collecting are at least possible, again not so much a collection on every plate or position. Inverted watermarks are known on most, perhaps all plates. The most commonly found are, in order: 101, 83, 117, 136, 141, 74, 158, 99, 118, 208, 84, 157, 190, and 201. A collection of flaws (re-entries, etc.) boggles the mind, and we think we've assembled quite enough boggling for one article.

We have only our bottom line confession to make now. We are indebted to a fine article by we know not whom, published in a periodical of May 9, 1953, sent to us by a GBCCer, we remember not whom. I would give credits if I could. We got such data as the inverted watermarks information above, and much fun from reading that article.

Our second important reference is a series of articles by Floyd Walker, Editor, The Perfins Bulletin that began in the March 1983 issue, The Perfins Club (US). We thank him for permission to use the articles, and we'll use more of them another time.

MAKING PERFIN PRINTS

Harry Rickard
1887 Altozano Dr., El Cajon, CA 92020

Prints are made in a small box that holds a 5 x 8 inch half sheet of print paper, Kodak AZO F2 s. The print paper lies on the stamps, which are on a piece of frosted glass. Under the glass is a 7-1/2 Watt light bulb to furnish light. About 32 seconds of exposure is required.

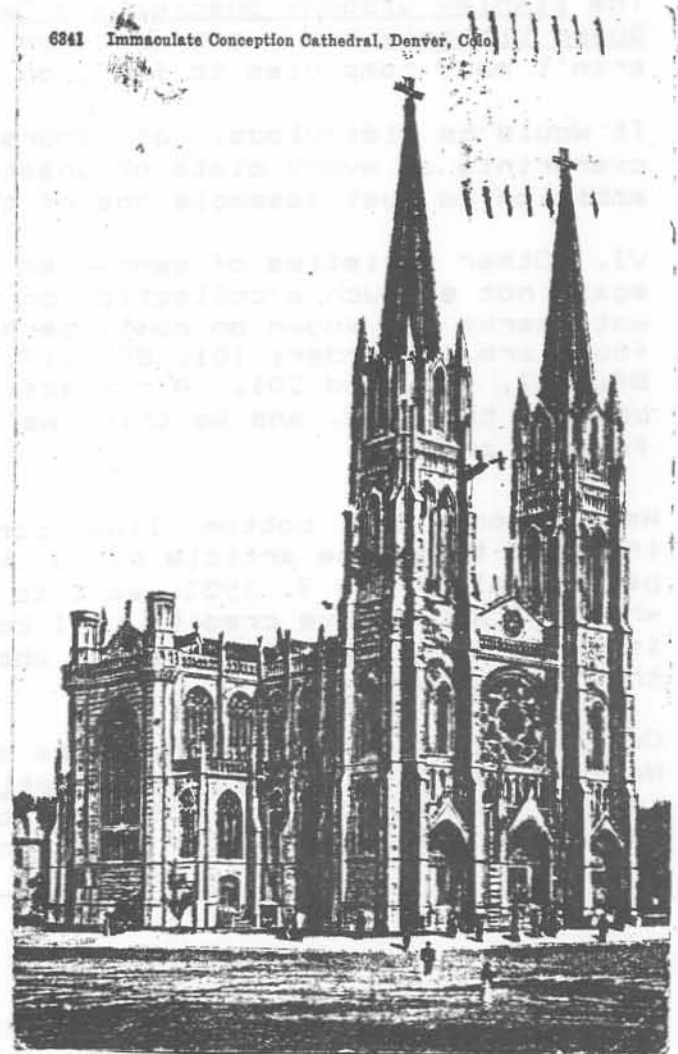
After exposure, the print paper is removed and immersed in a rectangular pan having the developing fluid, Kodak 146-4700. The print is agitated rapidly all over to bring out the picture. This takes several seconds, after which the print is placed in a similar pan full of water to remove the developer fluid. Next it is immersed in a pan of fixer, Kodak 197-38. After some more swishing around, the print is removed and washed in the sink or under running water. The print is dried between newspapers or blotting paper to prevent curling. That didn't take long did it?

Detailed instructions about making prints, the box and lid if you are unable to buy one, the best way to place stamps, store fluids, etc., will be sent to each interested person. Anyone can make prints.

M&Ms on Post Card

Ed Haack (#770) - 10930
N.E. Klickitat Street,
Portland, Oregon 97220

Ed reported that he has obtained a nice copy of U.S. 298 of McPhee & McGinnity Company of Denver. The somewhat different advertisement for FLATINOLA Wall Paint from McPhee & McGinnity Co. on a postcard is illustrated here.



POST CARD



The Immaculate Conception Cathedral, being erected in Denver at a cost of over a half million dollars, is equal to any in the world from the point of architectural beauty and solidity of construction. It is doubtful whether this beautiful structure has ever been equaled for the same amount of money expended. Nothing but the best material is being used. The interior is finished with FLATINOLA Wall Paint. *You know IT can be washed when soiled—some can't*

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1. Each seller will be limited to fifty (50) lots per auction.
2. All lots must be identified by Scott Catalogue number. (All sellers should have access to a catalog through their local library if they do not have their own.) A charge of \$0.25 per stamp will be made when the auction chairman has to do this for the seller.
3. Lots not properly identified by Scott catalog number may be returned to the seller by regular mail, uninsured, at the discretion of the auction chairman.
4. All lots should be identified by country with the perfin pattern number listed when possible. Again, a charge of \$0.25 per stamp will be levied if the auction chairman must do this. Where there is no catalog available for a country, the perfin pattern should be described in standard notation (e.g., AA&Co, B.B., (A) circle, or whatever is appropriate). Recognized catalogs are available for: U.S., Belgium (Smeters & Smit), Canada (Johnson & Tomasson), China, Denmark (Englebrecht), France (Dedecker, Herbert & Janot), Great Britain, Ireland, Japan, Middle East, Netherlands (Enschede 2nd. Ed.), New Zealand (Samuel), Switzerland (Hurlimann & Ganz), and World Perfins as published in The Perfins Bulletin. Also recognized is the set of worksheets for Germany by Kloss, Needham & Schwerdt.
5. Condition of the stamp should be listed if defects are noted (i.e., straight edge, missing hole, etc). Split pattern and patterns with more than three (3) holes missing are not acceptable. Defective stamps will not be returned at Club expense -- they will be junked (see #10).
6. All lots must be in #3 or larger glassine envelopes; smaller envelopes are NOT acceptable.
7. Two to five perfin patterns of the same country in a single lot is not considered a "mixture"; these should be submitted as separate lots, properly identified. No more than two lots with the same pattern should be submitted for the same auction.
8. Normally only A, B, or C rated material is acceptable for the auction; lower rated material will be listed only at the discretion of the auction chairman. Generally this will occur only if the pattern is punched on a scarce or high value stamp (airmails, parcel post, etc. are NOT automatically valuable!).
9. To cover the auction costs, a charge of 20 percent of the sale price will be assessed for each lot sold by the club.
10. Where special circumstances exist which do not meet the above conditions, contact the auction chairman and explain the problem BEFORE sending the stamps. Most problems can be resolved.

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11. Remember that the auction is for the benefit of all of the club members. Please help the chairman (who donates his time!) by following these rules.

The Auction Chairman is W. Edward Linn
1211 Arroyo Grande Drive
Sacramento, CA 95864

DIG OUT THOSE DUPLICATES AND SEND SOME LOTS TO THE ED. STUFF HIS MAILBOX!

Get your bids for Auction #39 into the mail! The auction lots were listed in the January 1987 edition. The auction closing date is 1 April 1987.

A HOME FOR UNWANTEDS

Harry Rickard
1887 Altozano Dr, El Cajon, CA 92020

Many collectors, myself included, dislike to destroy or discard material that doesn't fit their particular collecting interests. Eventually, it sometimes ends up a sizeable bunch of unwanted.

I was fortunate enough to discover what to do with mine when I happened to meet Herb Lathan at a San Diego stamp show. Herb heads the local Disabled American Veterans group with about 40 volunteers that distribute philatelic materials to the vets.

In addition to veterans being in the hospitals, many are in nursing homes or even their own homes, neglected and with no money to help enjoy a hobby to fill their many hours of leisure time.

The volunteer group, does its best to solicit enough materials of a philatelic nature to constantly supply their wards with needed items. So, new donors and materials of all kinds are needed to fill the void and give continued pleasure to these forgotten victims of time.

Anyone, with extra stamps or supplies of any kind, including revenues, precancels, perfins, post cards, covers, etc. from any country PLEASE send them to: Herb Lathan, 631 Carla Street, Chula Vista, CA 92010. Your good deed will help those who deserve our help.

-- WANT ADS AND NOTICES --

WANTED - Perfins or overprints of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. Will exchange other country collections. William Turney (#1538) 1306 Cottonwood Cr., North Vancouver, B.C., Canada V7P 1 K9.

WANTED - I will pay a reasonable price for two Schermack covers. Either send with prices or advise those available and price wanted. Harry Rickard, 1887 Altozano Dr., El Cajon, Ca 92020.

NOTICE - The Illini Precancel Club is having an Ides of March Swap Session for Precancel and PERFIN collectors in the Chicago area on Sunday, March 15, 1987 at the home of Marvin Mech, 119-B West Ash Street, Lombard, IL from 10AM to 4PM. Bring a sandwich if you plan to stay all day. Coffee and cookies will be provided by the club. For additional information or directions call Earl or Helen Ratzer at (312) 433-2743. Helen, the publisher of The Perfins Bulletin, reports the last joint swap session, in September, had 14 perfin collectors in attendance and the meet was a roaring success.

Letters to the Editor...

From: Norman F. Gahl (1889) Provenza 217-223, 08008 Barcelona, Spain.

A note, in addition to those reported in the November/December 1986 edition, that the cover illustrated on page 163 of the September 1986 issue of The Perfins Bulletin showed President Paul von Hindenburg. Norman adds that this stamp had two issues: 1932 on network watermarked paper and 1933-36 on Swastika watermarked paper. He suggests that was late usage of those perforated stamps during a period in which meter mail was a common practice.

TWO QUESTIONS ABOUT SPANISH PERFINS

H. Smit (233L) - Orangelaan 30, 6901 BM Zevenaar, The Netherlands writes to ask:

In the Michel (German) stamp catalogue of Western Europe there is a remarkable note under one of the issues of Spain. It concerns the 4 peseta stamp of 1912, catalogue number 241 F, lilac-carmine. This particular stamp has the control number A 166 262 and it is a perfin "B.H.A." for Banco Hispano Americano. The catalogue value is 4.000 DM (about \$2.000.00).

What is the meaning of this stamp? The entry is more striking in that the German Michel catalogues rarely recognize perforated stamps as individual entries. Mr Smit, despite his protestations, writes English well and if you have the answer please contact him directly.

Bob Schwerdt, (#505) - 9 Memory Lane, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 wrote to forward a letter from Roy Everett of 2 Coldnailhurst Avenue, Braintree, Essex CM7 7SJ, England. An edited version of Roy's letter follows:

SPANISH PERFINS - Perfins on Postal Savings Bank Stamps

The recorded H on a Caja Postal de Ahorros, as shown in the October 1979 American Philatelist, queried private business usage or a revenue usage. Looking for recorded letters of the same dimensions it seems that a perfin consisting of the following letters was applied, either prior to issuance of the stamps or when the stamps were submitted for encashment in addition to handstruck cancellation to invalidate them:

POSTAL DE AHORROS.



POSTAL SAVINGS STAMP
(Michel No. 257) also
used for postage

The underlined letters have so far been found. It was originally considered that "Ahorros" was the perfin, but the newly found letter "L" tends to disprove this.

Any Spanish Postal Savings Bank Stamps with other letters of the same dimensions are requested so that a full reconstruction of the perfin can be made for illustration purposes. Send actual items to either Bob Schwerdt or Roy Everett.

FOR AUCTION WATCHERS

Club Secretary, Ralph W. Smith, reports Vance Auctions Ltd. 95th Mail Auction had about 70 lots of perfins, including a large number of Canadian official OHMS Perfins. Of general interest:

o Lot 3495 Used. Unsorted collection of of approx 260 Perfins. Previous owner stated there were some better items. Estimated: \$25.00. Realized: \$42.00.

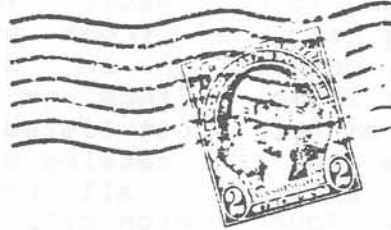
o Lot 3445 Used. Unsorted accumulation of 240 KGVI Official 4 hole OHMS perfins. Estimated: \$27.50. Realized: \$21.00.

o Lot 4302 Used. 249/E11. A tidy collection/accumulation including values to \$1. Some faults. 190 stamps. Estimated: \$70.00. Realized: \$96.00.

o Lot 4303 Used. A useful collection/accumulation of the 1937-8 definitives with OHMS perfins, 104 stamps. Estimated: \$70.00. Realized: \$72.00.

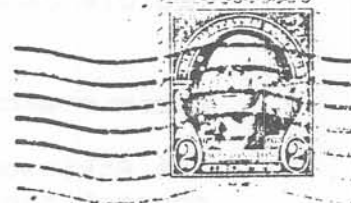
covers are courtesy of Jim Catterick (#2094)
210 Steels Avenue W. #2102
Brampton ONT, Canada L6Y 2K3

EDISON
GENERAL  ELECTRIC
APPLIANCE COMPANY, INC.
5600 West Taylor St.
CHICAGO, ILL. U. S. A.



F28A an example of how
the big become bigger

GENERAL  ELECTRIC
COMPANY
1635 Broadway, Fort Wayne, Ind.



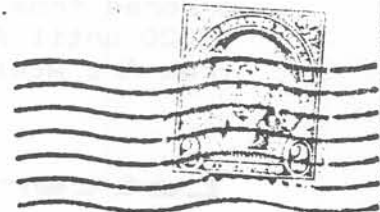
F209 Another take over

PROPANE-BUTANE DIVISION
Hope Construction & Refining Company
Subsidiary of
STANDARD OIL COMPANY (NEW JERSEY)
545 William Penn Way, Pittsburgh, Pa.



G30 diff. names
Same owner

CELLULOID CORPORATION
General Offices and Factory
290 Ferry Street, Newark, New Jersey U.S.A.



Att:

General Electric Co.
1 River Road,
Schenectady, N.Y.

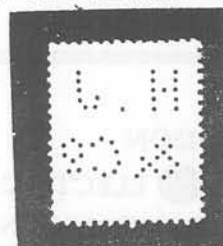
Attn: Mr. T.P.Higgins.

G59 identified user

BANGKOK PERFIN QUESTIONABLE

Robert Schwerdt (#505) - 9 Memory Lane, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

In a recent Gold Medal Auction catalog, your foreign catalog editor discovered a perfin listing for Bangkok (Scott #20). The auction house furnished a xerox of front and back showing a H.J./& co. perfin on an overprinted Straits Settlements stamp. Since no perfins have been reported from this Scott listed "country" and since a headnote in the catalogue indicates excellent forged overprints exist, in all probability, the overprint is fraudulent. Your foreign catalog editor has the H.J./& co. perfin on several stamps from the Straits Settlements without legible cancellations.



Correction to publication prices.

Art Atkinson, 5109 A Street, Lincoln, NE 68510 asked that I correct the error on catalog prices published in the January 1987 edition. Obtainable from Art are:

SPANISH PERFINs, A CATALOG OF, 18p, 1985, Everett \$8.00

SWEDISH PERFINs, CATALOG OF, 70p, 1986, Bergman, Lagerwall, Swenson \$5.50

The NEW A&C Pages for the U.S. Catalog are \$2.00 and they may be ordered from Harry Rickard, 1887 Altozano Drive, El Cajon, CA 92020 until April 1, 1987. After that date they may be obtained from Art Atkinson

Letter Received

From: Elwood Meschter (#1966) - P.O. Box 225, Clarendon Hills, IL 60514

Received after the article about the recent Christie's sale had been pasted onto page one; however, in addition to noting the remarkably high prices realized, he made several other comments, which are quoted below:

o ... this is evidence of the growing stature and recognition of perfins as together the collection was sold for just short of £1,200 -- pounds sterling not dollars. (1£ is approximately \$1.47).

o Incidentally, I did not bid successfully on any of these lots. If the successful bidder happens to be a member, surely his article would be far more interesting

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT

THE SECRETARY IS RALPH W. SMITH, RR 1 - BOX 5645, DRYDEN, ME 04225

NEW MEMBERS:

- 2504 Martin, Willis C.; 1741-137th Ave., San Leandro, CA 94578
U.S. Beginner By: Smith
- 2505 Kershaw, Mrs. Jan; 12 White Horse Drive; Dersingham, King's
Lynn; Norfolk PE31 6HL England.
Ireland By: Mewhinney
- 2506 Bonfig, Henry C.; 68 Eagle Lane, Bakersfield, CA 93308
U.S. By: Smith
- 2507 Reed, Hubert C.; 40 Graham St.; Gardner, MA 01440
U.S. and Canada, Beginner By: Rickard
- 2508 Cunningham, Jack W.; 45-067E Kaneohe Bay Drive; Kaneohe, HI
96744
Japan-Worldwide By: Smith
- 2509 Cummings, John A.; 13751 Peach Rd.; Southgate, MI 48195
France, Britain, Germany By: Smith
- 2510 Brooks, Carol J.; P.O. Box 107; New Woodstock, NY 13122
U.S., Beginner By: Smith

REINSTATE: As Life Member by Conversion

- L113 Delaney, Robert F.; 2520 Hillegass Ave-#405; Berkeley, CA
94704 (#1091)

REINSTATE:

- 2322 McDaniels, Marilyn A.; P.O. Box 107; Eliot, ME 03903
- 2394 Klinginsmith, Gregory E.; 5347 Westminster; Austin, TX 78723

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- 2343 Longbottom, Geoff; PO Box 49 Fleet; Aldershot, Hants GU13 9DN
England

SUMMARY:

Members as of October 31, 1986	761
New Members	+ 7
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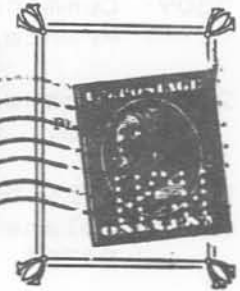
H. G. H. IDENTIFIED

John Funkhouser (#1638)
4555 Pioneer Trail, Okemos, MI 48864

Perfin "HGH", to the best of my knowledge is still unidentified. This card indicates it belonged to H.G. Hastings & Co., seed merchants of Atlanta, GA.



THIS SIDE IS FOR THE ADDRESS.



Geo. H. Harris

ATLANTA, GA., OCT 12 1909, 1909

Ja.

Dear Sir:-

We have received your recent order for seeds, etc., and acknowledge same with thanks. This will have our prompt attention, and the seeds will be sent on as directed.

If you have occasion to write to us about this order please return this card or refer to Order No. 93223

Again thanking you for your favors, and awaiting your future orders, we are,

Respectfully yours,

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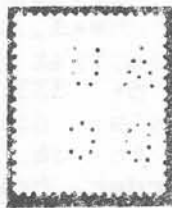
WELSH PERFINS AS A SIDE COLLECTION

Dr. R. W. Powell, FRPSL (#1217)
Oakham Leicestershire LE15 9LY England

I was one of the 51 members who responded to the 1985 perfin census by reporting my number of patterns for a Great Britain collection. This article may appeal to the other 50. To form anything approaching a complete GB perfin collection is a major task. It seems that there are about 20,000 different dies, so I am approaching 75 percent of completion.

Catalog/Albums for the perfins of Ireland¹ and of Wales² have recently become available. Each accepts all perfins with either Irish or Welsh postmarks, or other usage, which may require changes in the next census, even so the totals are only 1 to 2 percent of those for Great Britain. Similar comments hold for both, but I will deal with the Welsh, which was more the work of The Perfin Society and was published by the Editor of that Society's Bulletin, Dr. T.A. Edwards.

Despite its Welsh title, the text is in English. About 200 patterns are listed as having been seen with Welsh postmarks, or on the regional issues of Wales. These are a first listing, and our 50 Great Britain collectors will certainly be able to add more. Some 20 percent still need the user to be traced through an accompanying name on the envelope, label or receipt. To fill these gaps is a constant challenge, and is more likely to be achieved for the smaller areas of Wales or Ireland than for the whole of Great Britain.



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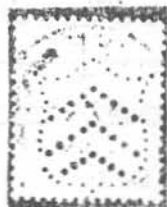
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D

Now for a few comments arising from my start in Welsh perfin collecting. I soon filled nearly half the patterns illustrated in the catalog, and about 50 more seemed to be new, so they were submitted to Tony Edwards (Both The Perfins Society and The Perfins Club). Figures A to D are the perfins of the Corporations of Aberdare, Cardiff, Newport and Swansea, as seen on regional issues, and here watch must be kept for the recent definitives with the redrawn dragon. Some earlier examples had

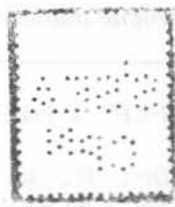
the Arms of Cardiff, Figure E, on Queen Victoria stamps, and the abbreviated Swansea Corporation on those of King George V, Figure F, and some King Edward VI, Figure G.



E



F



G

Transportation Companies having offices in Welsh docks and stations were frequent users of perfins, of which two types, Figures H and I, are shown for the Taff Valley Railway. Only the first is given by Bowman's with dated postmarks from 2 March 1886 to 24 November 1916, but in the second the letter "R" differs, and I have this on two King Edward VII 1d stamps. One is dated 10 February 1906 and the other, from Cardiff, is undated.



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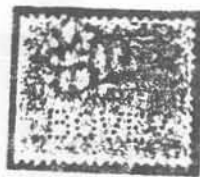


I

Many Welsh firms use perfins, two of which are shown. Figure J is the perfin of John Bovey and Co. Ltd., of Cardiff, but the user of PD/Co, Figure K, is not yet listed. Others come from firms with no obvious Welsh connection, and, if reasons are sought, may become interesting. This could have been overlooked in a GB collection. One of these, 533/TH is illustrated in Figure L. It is an early type with the Queen's head clear of perforations. John Nelson⁴ numbers it 12 in his list of early perfins, and attributes it to Thomas Holloway of 533, Oxford Street, London, the proprietor of Holloway's pills and ointments. How did perfins of this firm come to be used in Cardiff? One can only guess, S.A.E. for mail order, holiday, or traveling representative? Another thought for GB collectors, did the perfins 78/TH and 113/TH come from other addresses associated with the same firm?

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J



K



L

The G.D.&Co. of Figure M is another perfin that does not yet appear in the Welsh perfin catalog, but it certainly should, as the postmarks of Figure N (see page 36) show. All of the stamps illustrated in that figure have this perfin. They form one page of my sixteen page exhibit with 250 different British postmarks that gained a Bronze at Indepex '82. These had all come from a bulk buy of Edwardian stamps that I had made in Edinburgh, most were on paper, and just one covered the word "DUNN". Eventually, this one clue led me to the Glasgow biscuit manufacturer, Gray, Dunn & Co. Ltd., which is now a member of the Rowntree Mackintosh Group. My guess would be that my buy had included pieces torn from the correspondence of the Glasgow firm with orders mailed by their representatives from all over Britain. Unfortunately, no complete envelope remained, and I am still seeking such an identification.



M

References:

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- 2- Edwards, T.A.; Y Catalog Bach Preffinau Cymraeg (Catalogue of Welsh Perfins); 1985; Northwood, Middlesex, United Kingdom; The Perfin Society.
- 3- Bowman, R.; Railway Perfins of Great Britain; 1976; S.E.P.S of G.B. (now The Perfin Society).
- 4- Nelson, J.S.; The Handbook of British Perfins; 1967; 69 Aperfield Road, Biggin Hill, Westerham, Kent.

--- WANT AD ---

WANTED - Worldwide **DESIGN** perfins on and off cover. Please send description and price wanted to Eileen Meier, P.O. Box 369, Palmyra, VA 22963.

WALES Postmarks of Wales

Gaerwen
Ang.



Menai Bridge
B51 Ang.



Holyhead
Ang.



Bangor
Carn.



Bangor & Crewe T.P.O.
* * *



Penmaenmawr R.S.O.
Carn.



Port Dinorwic
Carn. 869



Barmouth
Mer.



Talysarn
F55 Carn.



Rostryfan
G40 Carn.



Criccieth
Carn.



Pwllheli
Carn.



Tanygroes R.S.O.
Carn.



Barry
Glam.



Pontypridd
Glam.



20 (GLAM)
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Tenby
Pem.



Nantyglo
Mon.



Abercarn
Newport Mon.



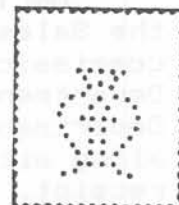
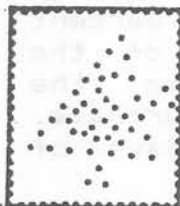
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DO YOU WANT A BAVARIAN
PERFINS CATALOG/ALBUM?

John L. Needham (LM41)
9801 Dewey Drive, Garden Grove, CA 92641

If the above caught your attention, you may be able to assist. At the present time we have worksheets of Bavaria that are in need of updating. These worksheets are fully illustrated and the effort to update them would be substantial, if a major revision is required. I would prefer to convert these worksheets to a catalog instead of just revising the worksheets.



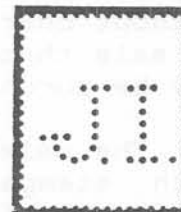
The main holdup is the lack of photos for some of the new material. If you can send me xerox copies of the backs of your Bavarian perfins we will have a good chance of finding the material we need. You can place at least 100 on a dark background and make a xerox, or something similar, all at one whack. No matter what the size of your Bavarian holdings, you may have that one item we need. We will eventually have to end up with a photo copy of the perfin in normal orientation, but that can be handled individually.

If you have perfins on Bavarian stamps with the "Deutsches Reich" overprint, please identify them. Many of these are not true Bavarian perfins! These overprints were valid for postage throughout all of Germany and many were perfined by firms outside of Bavaria. You can find these perfins in the Germany listings.

I will enlist the aid of Bob Schwerdt and Dick Mewhinney for the project. Both have been interested in producing this catalog for years.

I know of at least 30 new Bavarian perfins plus some previously unpublished user information. There are also a few corrections to be made and some better copies are needed. Any and all assistance will be greatly appreciated and the Club will gain another catalog in our quest to cover the world.

This can be the first step in production of the German catalog that Harry Rickard wrote about in the February 1987 edition of The Perfins Bulletin.



FREISTAAT BAYERN

PERFINS CLUB SALES DEPARTMENT

Sales manager, Sal Guarini, has established the following guidelines for members wishing to use the services of the Perfin Club Sales Department.

ONLY MEMBERS of the Perfins Club may use the services of the Sales Department. The club will charge a 20 percent commission on all sales to help cover the expenses of the Department. Members who receive consignments from the Department must return the perfins which they do not purchase, along with payment for those they keep, within ten (10) days of receipt.

Because purchases of less than \$8.00 do not cover expenses for a shipment, a member who purchases less than \$8.00 worth of perfins at a time must pay postage both ways. On larger shipments minimum will be \$10.00.

Buyers may request shipments of the following types of material:

- A. U.S. sales books of stamps with a rating of C or better.
- B. U.S. sales envelopes of D-rated stamps.
- C. U.S. sales envelopes of E-rated stamps.
- D. U.S. sales envelopes of specialities such as precancels, parcel post, 1902 issue, commemoratives, airmails, special delivery.
- E. Foreign sales envelopes. Please specify the country or countries desired.

Purchasers must keep an accurate account of what is taken from each book or envelope and make a full report to the Sales Manager when they return the shipment.

Members who wish to sell material through the Sales Department are invited to prepare either books or envelopes according to the above list.

The Sales Manager will provide up to three (3) sales books without charge to members who wish to fill them and offer them to sale through the Sales Department. Additional sales books may be purchased from the Sales Department for \$0.25 each.

The sales books each hold 100 stamps and should be filled with stamps selling for at least \$0.25 each to make it worthwhile for prospective buyers. Each stamp in the book is to be marked with the U.S. Perfins catalog number, the rating, and the price.

Envelopes should be #3 glassines (2 1/2 by 4 1/2 inches) or similar size. Please use new glassine envelopes. Each glassine should contain up to 150 perfins. D and E-rated perfins should not be mixed in the same envelope. There should be no more than three (3) of the same design in each envelope. Small foreign countries may be mixed in envelopes.

Pricing is left up to the seller. The law of supply and demand is very much the rule. If you have no idea of how to price your perfins, ask the Sales Manager for help, but do not expect that pricing will be done for you.

If you would like to buy or sell perfins, contact the Sales Manager:

Sal Guarini
P.O. Box 1502
San Mateo, CA 94401

* * * SAL SEZS * * *

The sales department presently has a very fine selection of perfins for sale. Sales have been good, but there is room for more members to take advantage of this service. Members must write and let Sal know what they would like to see. If presently in stock it will be sent promptly.

Do We Need a German Perfins Catalog/Album? - Part I

John L. Needham (LM41)
9801 Dewey Drive, Garden Grove, CA 92641

At the present time, the German Arge is publishing sections of a perfins catalog. The base material is from the ex-Vonhoff collection, which is substantial. The sections that have been published have valuable information and are highly recommended as reference material for anyone devoted to the study and collection of German perfins. They are not suitable as an album or a system to follow when laying out a collection.

The Arge catalog is printed on large sheets that do not fit standard binders. There are a maximum of nine types per page and they are not in any order other than the basic alphabet. One must scan through as many as fifty of the same pattern to locate a given type.

Fancy, combined and monograms have been listed in alphabetical sequence which places many types in different letters than in conventional systems. A good example is our K O/D/A/K that ends up being ADK in the Arge system.

The assignment of catalog designations is by the first three symbols chosen for the perfin. Patterns with the same first three symbols are then given sub-numbers. This results in some

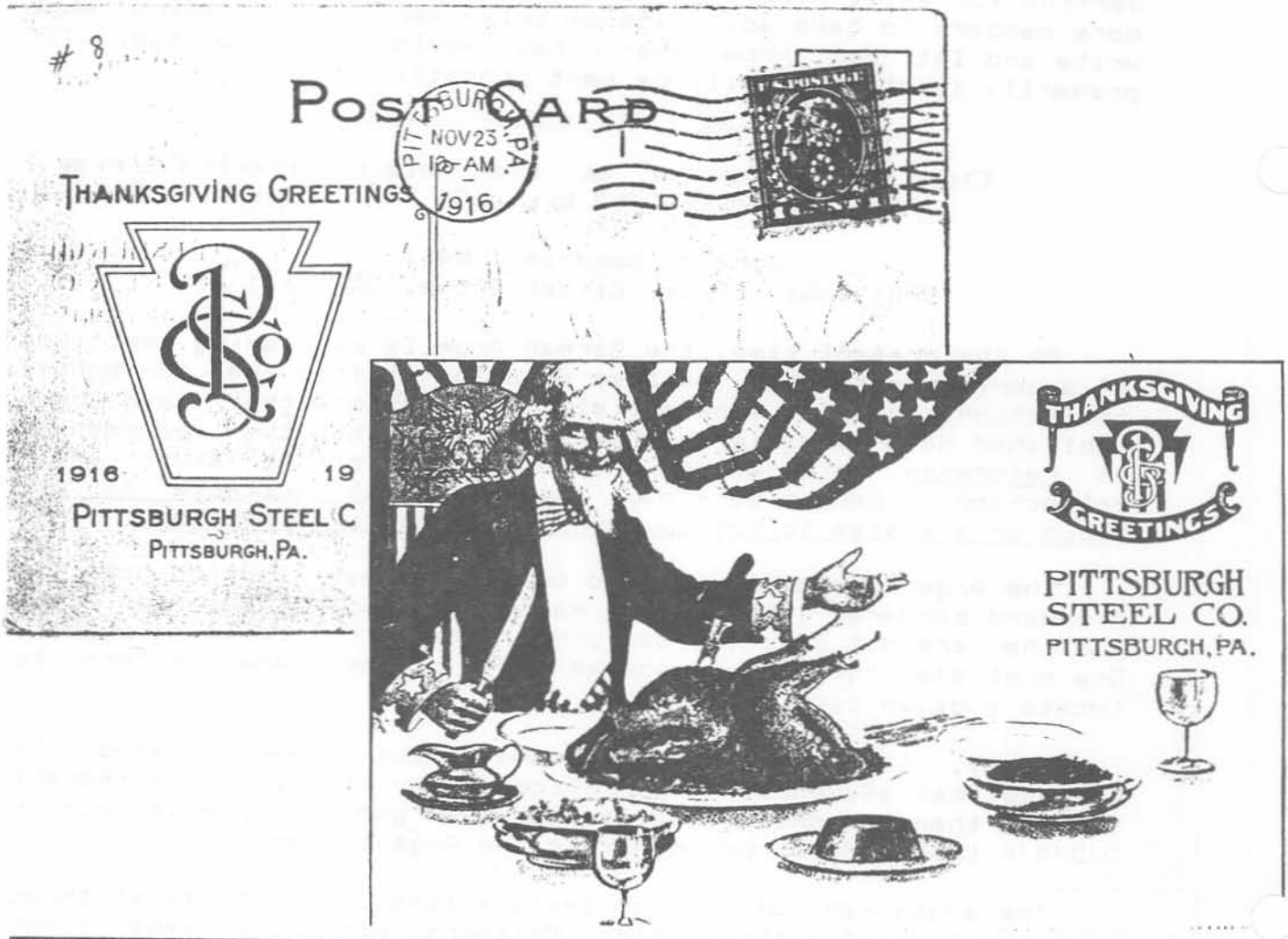
types actually being out of order when viewing the entire perfin. The system was devised to keep from using decimal numbers when adding new material but it precludes any attempt at keeping the perfins in a logical order.

The Arge also includes the German affiliates mixed in with the mass of German perfins. One can only separate these by recognizing the location of the town coupled with the date of use. If you know where Antwerpen, Borsigwerk, Frankenthal, Nagold, etc. were at the time, you would know the perfins were on stamps of Belgium Occupation, Upper Silesia, Bavaria and Wurttemberg, respectively. Collectors in the U.S. usually maintain separate sections of affiliates.

Part II will appear in the April
1987 edition of The Perfins
Bulletin.

PITTSBURGH STEEL COMPANY

Our thanks to I.L. PFALSER (#765), RR 1, Caney, KS 67333 for sharing this illustration of a Pittsburgh Steel Company perfin P222 with us.



The Perfins Club
Financial Statement
Year ending 31 December 1986

INCOME:

Dues	\$4,386.68
Publications	10.50
Sales Books	1,035.29
Auctions	234.18
Interest	2,871.18
US Catalog Sales	801.96
Foreign Catalogs	<u>831.95</u>

TOTALS 10,171.74

EXPENSES:

Bulletin	\$6,733.49
Editor	252.99
Publisher	1,872.63
Secretary	315.68
Library	218.56
Membership	157.69
Foreign Catalog	651.88
Other Officers	304.26
Treasurer	38.51
Awards & Shows	80.00
US Catalog	518.21
Miscellaneous	<u>1,028.09</u>

12,171.99

Expenses in excess of income: 2,000.25

ASSETS:

Bank Operating Funds	\$1,744.29
Life Member Certificates	7,000.00
Operating Fund Certificates	18,137.94
Savings, Passbook	<u>4,929.46</u>

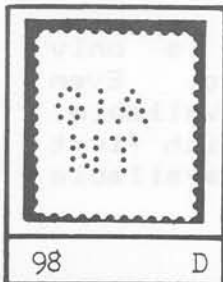
TOTAL ASSETS 32,611.69

GIANT POWDER COMPANY - G98

Shannon D. Lientz, jr. (#1587); 621 Horsepen Road, Richmond VA
23229

The following comments may help explain the use of perfin G98 as described in The Perfins Bulletin, October 1986, page 173, which is partially quoted below:

G98 is shown in the catalog as used by the Atlas Powder Company; which doesn't sound reasonable. But here is a cover which suggests another explanation. The Giant Powder Company may later have been taken over by Atlas, Atlas may have been a fully owned subsidiary, or vice versa -- but at least the pattern makes more sense used by Giant....



The Giant Powder Company, organized in 1868 in California, was the first manufacturer of dynamite in the United States. The use of dynamite in place of black powder in the gold and silver mines of the area helped remove rock in a fraction of the time required for blasting with black powder.

Through succeeding years, as the Du Pont Powder Company gradually took control of most of the explosives business in the country, the Giant Powder Company remained independent and competitive.

In December of 1912, following a court ordered divestiture, the Du Pont business in industrial explosives was divided among three companies - Du Pont and two new independent companies. The two new companies were the Hercules Powder Company and the Atlas Powder Company. Shortly thereafter, Atlas acquired control of the Giant Powder Company, Consolidated, on the Pacific Coast.

Therefore, at the time of the 1919 cover illustrated in the October 1986 edition of The Perfins Bulletin, Giant was a subsidiary of the Atlas Powder Company

References: Dutton, William S.; Du Pont: One Hundred and Forty Years, New York, Charles Scribner's Sons, 1942.

ERRATA TO A&C PAGES #3

Harry Rickard, U.S. Catalog Editor
1887 Altozano Drive, El Cajon, CA 92020



The "JH" illustrated to the left should have been on the photo replacement page of the recent Additions and Corrections #3 (A&C 3). A photograph will be in the next A&C pages, until that time the illustration may be used. It is the correct J56B. The toe is different

It seems that making mistakes may be inevitable with catalog editors. Fortunately, their errors are correctable. Several members have brought errors to my attention. The corrections are:

- o In deletions, cross off B164. It is the authentic Bailey Meter perfin. The culprit, B165.7 was deleted in A&C 2.
- o Deletions in A&C 3 lists "I79, 79, and I80". It is "I78, I79, and I80".
- o For the Ingersoll-Rand perfins, I80.5 is only a partial with one hyphen hole missing. Even that is only know as being one copy available. Their perforator must have been ruined with first usage. Are there any multiple perfins available to study?

I believe that errors might be alleviated from future A&C pages if one or two members would act as a review board for future A&C pages. With a critical review by others there is less likelihood of error.

Please offer your services. A selection will be made from potential candidates and reviews could be rotated to diversify.

-- Letters to the editor --

From Larry Moriarity (#1689) - 48 Belview Drive, Rochester,
NY 14609

QUESTION-----Can any of the readers supply me with a guide as to how I can rationally price Hungarian perfins when the seller asks me to give him a fair price? Is there a catalog available that I can use as to PRICES? I have several listings of Hungarian perfins but no price listings.

ANSWER-----I do not know of any such catalog, perhaps one of our members does. In regard to pricing of perfins. One method is to use the auction prices realized in Perfins Club auctions as a guide. This involves keeping track of the auction lots for your specialty and the prices realized. Unfortunately, in auction #39 there was only one lot of Hungarian perfins: lot #400 a mixture of 75 perfins. Prices realized will be published in the Bulletin after the auction is over. Previous auction prices realized have been published in the Bulletin.

This is a difficult question, for those of us that collect something other than U.S. perfins.

From William W. Cummings (LM25), Editor, Scott Publishing
Company, 911 Vandermark Road, Sidney, OH 45365

I realise that you wanted answers to the Spanish question posed by H. Smit (February 1987) sent to him directly but I think that the answer is important enough to run through the Bulletin.

Scott Volume 4 has a footnote after No. 309 to the effect that there are three unlisted shades of stamps in the set. The 4-peseta lake comes only with the B.H.A. perfin. It is listed in Michel and mentioned in Scott because it is a different color stamp, not because of its being a perfin. (Note that I did NOT say 'despite its being a perfin'---)

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The NEW #3 A&C Pages for the U.S. Catalog are \$2.00 and they may be ordered from Harry Rickard, 1887 Altozano Drive, El Cajon, CA 92020 until April 1, 1987. After that date they may be obtained from Art Atkinson. .

--- WANT ADS AND NOTICES ---

WANTED - RAILROAD PERFINS. I am a novice to perfin collecting and I am looking to start a sound basic collection of Railroad Perfins - U.S., Canada, Foreign and Covers. Please write with details to Edward A. Tucker, 4407 Fielding Road, Brandywine Hills, Wilmington, DE 19802.

WANTED - Hungarian perfins (NOT three-hole-punch). Please forward perfins or description and quote price desired. Larry Moriarty, 48 Belview Drive, Rochester, NY 14609.



EXCHANGE - Anyone interested in the pictured Netherland Indies perfins, which is the high-powered Scott #249, it is available for exchange. My choices would be U.S. or German perfins. As a last resort, cash. Harry Rickard, 1887 Altozano Drive, El Cajon, CA 92020.



WANTED - "A" rated perfins: For those needed, I will buy for cash or give "such a deal" you can't refuse! Try me- Sal Guarini, P.O. Box 1502, San Mateo, CA 94401.

FOR SALE - One copy of The History of British Security Stamps (Overprinted and Perforated), by Charles Jennings. This work was published over many years by the Security Endorsement and Perfin Society of Great Britain and was finally issued as a single volume in 1968 for private circulation to members. This copy is looseleaf, 8-1/2 by 11 inch pages, Xeroxed. More than 400 pages (the page numbering is iffy, but all the pages are here). Will ship postpaid for \$25.00. Only one copy available. Floyd A. Walker, P.O. Box 82, Grandview, MO 64030.

PROHIBITION AND DIVORCE.



"The licensed saloon is a wrecker of homes and a sunderer of the marriage tie," cry anti-saloon advocates. Here is startling proof to the contrary offered by the United States Census Bureau in its recent report on marriages and divorce:
Strangely enough, "Dry" Maine and Kansas, where the saloons have been barred for generations, far surpass Michigan in proportion of divorces, despite the laxity of Michigan divorce laws and the number of unhappy marriages contracted in Windsor, Michigan's Gretna Green.

TAX PAYERS LEAGUE OF DETROIT

Thanks to John Funkhouser (#1638) 4555 Pioneer Trail, Okemos, MI 48864 for the illustration. This postcard shows use of Schermack pattern #13 and an interesting use of statistics by the Tax Payers League of Detroit in order to counter Prohibitionists arguments -- this in 1910! Michigan's "Gretna Green" was Windsor, Canada; the "quicky" divorce in Mexico of contemporary times.

• (Front illustrated on next page)

Divorces In Ratio to Population (1887 to 1906).

State.	1900 Population.	Divorces.	Ratio.
Maine, "Dry"	694,166	14,194	One to 49.42 inhabitants
Kansas, "Dry"	1,179,155	28,391	One to 41.59 inhabitants
Michigan, "Wet"	2,420,982	42,371	One to 56 inhabitants

Drunkenness As a Divorce Cause.

In "Dry" Maine there have been granted 3,628 divorces for drunkenness from 1887 to 1906. Maine has forbidden the liquor traffic for more than sixty years.

"Dry" Kansas has granted 4,086 divorces for drunkenness from 1887 to 1906. Kansas has been "dry" 30 years.

DIVORCES FOR DRUNKENNESS COMPARED TO TOTAL DIVORCES FOR ALL CAUSES.

Maine, "Dry".....	20.2 per cent
Kansas, "Dry".....	3.5 per cent
Michigan, "Wet".....	2.4 per cent

Of the 3,628 Maine divorces 3.3 per cent were granted to husbands because of DRUNKEN WIVES!

Does Prohibition Save the Homes?

POST CARD



The Local Option Advocates and Prohibitionists say:

"We'll pass a law that will MAKE men righteous."

St. Paul said:

"If righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain."

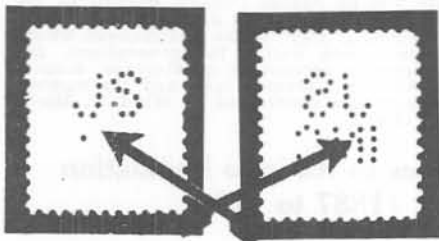
—Epistle to Galatians, Chapter 2, Verse 21.

Geo. H. Howell
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REPEAT PERFORMANCE

Harry Rickard, U.S. Catalog Editor
1887 Altozano Dr., El Cajon, CA 92020

Most members, except recent ones, are aware of the Majorca Corporation H39 and H92 perfins that created H40 when the firm changed its name and the letter "J" was deleted, except for one overlooked pin that created H40.



Member Ed Hoyt showed me a similar situation with the perfin patterns shown here. Checking through J patterns, he ascertained the JS fitted not only J136.5, but also J150.

J150 began losing pins and the INC was removed because of a poor pattern or because it became a single owner company.

I would say that JS without INC was the result of missing pins. However in removing the pins, one was overlooked just as in the H40 instance.

Investigating the unfamiliar will turn up interesting things

WANTED - Authors, potential authors, people with a story to tell. Material is needed for the Bulletin. The following topics have been suggested: Designs, Railroads, Pricing Guides or pick your own subject. Write, send illustrations to: John F. Lyding, P.O. Box 3342, Crofton, MD 21114.

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THE SECRETARY IS RALPH W. SMITH, RR 1 - BOX 5645, DRYDEN, ME 04225

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SUMMARY:

Members as of November 30, 1986	771
New Members	+ 7
Members as of December 31, 1986	778

DOMESTIC MAIL MANUAL (DMM)

In response to a request the regulation concerning perfins is quoted in its entirety from the Domestic Mail Manual:

142.13 Perforating. Postage and special delivery stamps may be perforated with an indentifying mark if the holes do not exceed 1/32 of an inch in diameter and if the space taken by the mark is not larger than 1/2-inch square. Issue 21.9-4-86

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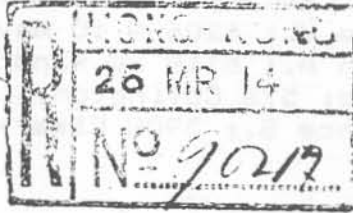
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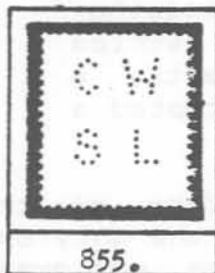
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A PERFINNERS STORY OF YESTERYEAR

Roy Everett PS 449

2 Coldnailhurst Avenue, Braintree, Essex CM7-7SJ, England



Seldom does one ever find in ones mail a letter detailing the usage of a perfin from the actual person employed to perfin the stamps. Such was the case a month ago when Mr. J.C. Brailsford wrote enquiring how he could start collecting perfins and mentioned that he was responsible between the period 1920 to 1925 for the perfinning

of the stamps of Charles Wright & Son Limited, Wine and Spirit Merchants in Wirksworth, Derbyshire, England. The pattern is CW/SL 8,13/10,7 4-1/2 Tillies Number C.855, and it was previously unidentified.

It came as a surprise that this perfin pattern had remained unidentified for so long when the story of the method of perfinning and the quantity of stamps was disclosed by Mr. Brailsford. Over the period of years during which it was Mr. Brailsford's job to perfin and affix postage stamps, a practice which existed prior to his appointment and after the five year period when he was promoted to junior ledger clerk, an astounding quantity of postage stamps were used by his employer. The figures were as follows:

1/2d - large quantities, generally 2000 to 5000 daily for usage on price lists and circulars to trade and clients, this being the rate at that time for printed matter and unsealed correspondence.

1d - smaller quantities, generally 20 to 40 daily on ordinary mail.

6d - seldom required for postage, sometimes not one per week.

Later the following values were added:

2d - small quantities, probably along the lines of the 1d above.

1/ - very small quantities, probably rarer than the 6d value above.

The latter two values being used after 1925 hence Mr. Brailsford was not responsible for perfinning those two values, it being the responsibility of his replacement. Working out those usage quantities, with almost all of the stamps being used for postal purposes, only a few were employed for fiscal use as receipt stamps on paid invoices, it seems strange that not one cover survived to be brought to the attention of the Perfin Club in the United States or the Perfin Society in the United Kingdom.

Mention of the method of perfinning was also written out by Mr. Brailsford and it can be stated as:

We used to line up six sheets and stick them together by the top gummed margin, then tore them in strips lengthwise downwards, the perforator, incidently a single die hand operated machine, only just accepted a thickness of six stamps.

Unfortunately, the identity of the manufacture of the perfinning machine cannot be remembered, but it was the only one ever used by the firm of which Mr. Brailsford was employed. Considering the great wear it must have encountered with such prolific usage it says a great deal for the manufacturing durability then pertaining that this one die coped for a number of years.

Speaking of Stamps, Etc.

By Herman Herst, Jr.
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Please note comments below

Then there are the bypaths of philately about which we do not hear much.

I have discussed precancels here before. No trouble with precancels, unless it is that most who collect them do not take themselves seriously. They are simply in the hobby to enjoy what they are doing. The nicest thing is that they ignore watermarks and to a great extent, types.

There just aren't enough of us involved in stamps these days who are in it only for pleasure. The youngsters want quantities of the stamp someone tells them will "go up." and the adults seek instant profit.

But did you ever hear of perforated initials?

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If there ever was a branch of philately that might give years of pleasure at virtually no expense, think of this one.

There even was a society for it forty or more years ago. It was started by a friendly chap named Keith Misegades. At the time, as was true of most of the younger dealers on Nassau Street, I was involved in every part of philately, from precancels to cigarette stamps, from rarities to cheap bulk stamps, from new issues to classics. And a certain number of stamps with perforated initials came my way. Every Saturday (most people worked six days then) Misegades would come in and I would give him gratis, the perforated initials that had come my way that week. He built up a great collection of them.

One day he came in with the collection. "You have been so darned decent," he said, "in giving me these that I have decided to let you buy the collection." It wasn't easy but I finally made him see that stamps that I had given him as a gift were hardly likely to be the sort that I would like to buy, especially since he had been my only customer.

The first collector of perforated initials to make a mark in the hobby was a wealthy physician from Old Greenwich, Connecticut, Dr. Louise Larimore. Tired of the expensive stamps she had been buying, she started in this field, at some times even going far enough to pay a nickel or a dime for one that stuck her fancy. She mounted them back side up on black paper so that they could easily be viewed.

In Britain, the first collector of these was Charles Bein, a once well to do collector who had lost his wealth in the depression, but declined to give up collecting. He coined the name by which they were known in the U.K.: "SPIFS" (Stamps perforated with the initials of firms). The name was not only cumbersome, but inexact, for other than firms perforated their stamps. The name died out suddenly in 1939 when Britain went on rationing, and people who hoarded, or otherwise violated the law, were called "Spiveys."

No other better system was ever devised to keep postage stamps from being stolen and put to private use by persons who had access to them, but no right to use them. The postage meter manufacturers claim that their product has an advantage over stamps, since while a stamp may be taken away for home use, a meter cannot. They fail to recognize that a letter may be brought to a meter machine.

When our letter rate was 18 cents, I had a metered letter franked with \$18.00. Since the firm sending it was a friend, I called it to the attention of the meter's owner. He investigated. The employee had set the meter for dollars rather than cents. When the boss asked him why he did not make a claim for the overpayment at the post office, which could easily be done, he admitted that he did not want a reprimand for his carelessness. So much for the meter saving postage.

The little holes that puncture the stamp are often more than that. Consolidated Edison, the giant New York utility, has dozens of offices all over the metropolitan area. The letters "C E" are easily recognized, the "E" being inside the "C". But there is an extra single hole somewhere around the "C". It is the office from which the letter bearing the stamp came. Should a non-business letter go out in Con Ed's mail the office whence it emanated stands out as a sore thumb.

Western Union does the same, as do many other business houses.

Not all perforated initials are worthless. The 10 cent Panama-Pacific stamps of 1914 occur with "P P I E" (Panama-Pacific International Exposition). Our Canal Zone in 1915 created official stamps by perforated postage stamps with the letter "P". Australia did the same ("O.S.") between 1913 and 1931. Scott does not list any of these, but they are scarce and popular. France, rather than issue a commemorative stamp for an exposition, used perforated initials to publicize it.

I believe that a group exists today working in the perforated initial field: if so they are welcome to write the editor of this magazine so that they may have a mention in this magazine. The Editor is always willing to call the attention of readers to an unusual group seeking publicity, especially one that dedicates its effort to the pure pleasure of collecting.

Until a year or so ago I had an accumulation of several hundred, and any time that I heard of someone collecting, I would send the entire batch with the suggestion to take out of it what one wanted, and add duplicates, either more or fewer, for the next chap. It worked fine until I sent them all to a collector in a town with the zip of 72116, who has not returned them, despite several reminders.

So after a half century of accumulating perf initials -- or spifs -- I am out of business. And it is much too late to start accumulating them again.

AUTHOR'S NOTE: During his half century plus of philatelic writing, Mr Herst has been generous with his time and knowledge in replying to inquiries and letters sent in by readers. Now, in order to enjoy his semi-retirement more, he is no longer able to engage in such correspondence, and he asks that those who enjoy his writings in this and other publications would not add to his burden of correspondence.

Editor's Comments: The article by Herman Herst, Jr. the dean of philatelic writers was reprinted with permission of STAMPS and Mr. Herst. The article appeared in STAMPS, January 17, 1987, pp 44-45. Permission to reprint the article was obtained from

STAMPS by Douglas J. Cutler (#2113), P.O. Box 760, Pentwater, MI 49449. In granting reprint permission Mr. Herst noted "....anything that will help the hobby".

There are a few errors and omissions in Mr. Herst's original article some of which are noted in an abstract of a letter of Doug's that appeared in STAMPS on February, 7 1987, but the important thing to note about the original article is the opportunity it gives to the Perfins Club. (The third from the last paragraph of the article and the suggestion of Daniel R. Milliman, Editor of STAMPS in the following paragraph.

In granting permission to reprint the Herman Herst article, Daniel R. Milliman, Managing Editor of STAMPS noted that members of the Perfins Club may write to STAMPS at 85 Canisteo Street, Hornell, NY 14843 for a sample copy of "The Weekly Magazine of Philately." In addition he also noted, "Perhaps a member of your group will have more to write on perfins for publication in STAMPS at a later date. Our thanks to Doug, STAMPS, and Mr. Herst. Additional "Letters to the Editor" from Perfin Club members including Jacob Kisner and Publicity Chairman Rudy Roy were published in the February 14, 1987 edition of STAMPS. My thanks to those who have provided me copies of this material.

Doug's letter to the editor is quoted in part below:

Mr. Herst's article on "SPIFS" was most enjoyable and interesting. He asked for some further information on these. There are two major groups, the Perfins Club in the U.S.A. and the Perfin Society in England, that devote time to the pursuit of perfins (perforated initials), as we now call them. There are also other groups in other countries and a number of fine catalogs have been published....

....one mistake in Mr Herst's article needs correcting. The initials "CE" should have been "GE" for General Electric. If ConEd did use a perfin, it would be an unknown perfin to the "Catalog of U.S. Perfins" by Joseph J. and Dorothy Balough.

In response to his letter in stamps, Doug received a personal response from Herman Herst, Jr. An edited version (to save space) of that letter follows:

I hope that my column in Stamps calling readers' attention to the fun that they can have with perfins will bear some fruit. The last field of collecting that I mentioned brought inquiries from six prospective members.

Sorry that I was not able to give an address but there was no listing for the group in Linn's Stamp Almanac which lists just about every other specialist group.

It's a great field and I was glad to be able to contribute to the history of the hobby....

I wish that I had some perfins to send you, but when readers learned that I give them gratis, they cleaned me out. Now if I could get that guy in Arkansas (one of your members?) return the several hundred I sent him to make his pick and then add duplicates, I would be back in business.

Doug also reports that to date he has received a request for membership information and that he has, "a plan in the works for a number of personal projects, culminating in the opening of a **PERFIN stamp dealership**, if all goes well, by next year.... With the reply from Mr. Herst, this little episode in my life has turned out to be the most rewarding time I have had yet."

NOTES FROM THE CLUB LIBRARIAN

The Club Librarian, Bob Ellwangwer, 904 Miami Avenue, Pittsburg, PA 15228 reports that:

(1) Material borrowed should be returned within 30 days. Some members are abusing this privilege

(2) Postage charges for the original sending should be included when returning the material. This should be in the form of **MINT** U.S. postage stamps. Some members do not include this charge (or only partial) when returning material and some include ungummed (probably used) stamps and/or U.N. stamps, which are unacceptable.

(3) One member has suggested enclosing a form with the Library shipment to use in requesting additional material from the Library which would not violate the USPS rules on personal notes. I think that this is a good idea. Therefore, until new forms are printed, a member may list at the bottom of the library transmittal sheet the Code Nos. of any additional material required and it will be understood by the Librarian.

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 Adachi's Q29. The "26"
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Correcting the mistakes is only a small segment of the information available in the A&C pages. Among the large number of new additions, you may find that you have a scarce look-alike mounted as a common perfin. This being the result of only one pattern being known when the original catalog was put together. You will be kept busy for several evenings changing incorrect photographs, deleting errors and checking your copies with the new listings. Whether you have the old or the new catalog, the A&C pages will enable you to update your album.

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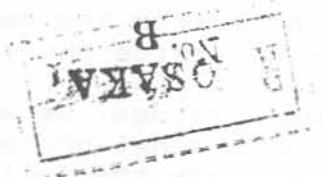
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P.O. Box 64, Columbus, KS 66725

The Conoco Travel Bureau Business Reply Card illustrated above has a 10 cent stamp with perfin W111 (State of Wisconsin, Madison) tied by a Fond Du Lac, Wisconsin, May 5, 1936 postmark. The stamp apparently was added to make up the special delivery rate. That was insufficient, note the CTO 2 cent postage due with pen cancel. Also noted on this card: Two R.P.O. cancels of May 5 (CHI & St. PAUL - train 508 & F.DU LAC & JANES - train 28). The card was received at Denver, Colorado on May 7, 1936 where the 2 cent postage due was added.

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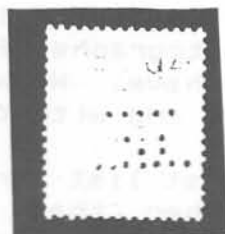
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Harry Rickard
1887 Altozano Dr., El Cajon, CA 92020

During the Club's early period of producing the U.S. catalog, there were far fewer members, and not nearly the present quantities of perfins were known and reported. Hence, errors unknowingly crept into the U.S. catalog. Naturally, since many of the errant copies were available in smaller amounts, they were given A, B, or C ratings.

With the increased study of new copies of stamps, most of the early mistakes have been discovered and the corrections are listed in the Additions and Corrections (A&C) pages. There are three sets of A&C pages. These are A&C pages numbers 1 and 2 and the NEW A&C pages number 3.

You have been wondering where the savings come in. Unless you know which of the A, B, and C-rated items have been downgraded, you will be spending money unwisely, by paying too high of a price.

Do We Need a German Perfins Catalog/Album? - Part II

John L. Needham (LM41)
9801 Dewey Drive, Garden Grove, CA 92641

If our Club members desire a German catalog based on more logical arrangement, we can convert our present German listings to catalog status. This will entail a great deal of work and will require help from the membership. A comprehensive catalog would probably be twice the size of the U.S. catalog.

Our German listings were started many years ago by Ed Stuntzner as a personal project. He was joined by John Needham in the late 70's and the letters were split between the two for compiling and maintaining file card records. Club members have added to the listings and information throughout the years and the lists have grown from a few thousand to around 11,000. The present material is mainly documented with reproductions of the backs of the stamps. In most cases these result in reversed illustrations.

The most difficult part of converting the file cards/listing to a catalog is the acquisition of photographs of all the known perfins in addition to those which we have. We would also need some assistance in the layout of pages and with typing text.

Our listing system would be to first list perfins by the way that the user intended them to read, when that information is known. We would then follow the universal system of using the top symbol or the one on the left when the pattern is viewed in normal aspect. Those that can be read in two ways (i.e., from either front or back) will be listed in alphabetical order if the user does not determine the order. All Poko types will be listed as seen from the face of the stamp as they were punched.

The different types that have the same letters would first be split into two groups (Those without periods and those with.) They would then be listed in ascending size within the groups. When there are perfins of the same size which are different, they will be listed by ascending number of holes, letter width, spaces or some other feature that can be used to set them apart. In other words, there will be a logical sequence to the progression of the listings. The additions will be assigned decimal numbers that will place them in the proper position. You should only have to scan a few types to locate the particular perfin that you are seeking.

The various affiliates would be listed in separate catalogs or addenda sections, depending upon the number of perfins involved.

If you are interested in this project, contact John L. Needham, 9801 Dewey Drive, Garden Grove, CA 92641 for general information and the letters B, F, G, H, K, L, N, O, P, Q, S, T,

U, V, W, Y, Z and Designs. Contact Edwin L. Stuntzner, 1003 Exchange Street, Emporia, KS 66801 for the letters A, C, D, E, I, J, M, and R.

The affiliates are mainly distributed between Robert J. Schwerdt, 9 Memory Lane, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 and John L. Needham.

Harry Rickard has volunteered to assist and will advise interested members on the methods of making perfin contact prints.

If you want a catalog/album for German perfins, as described, let us know!

CLUB NEWS . . .

NEW ASSISTANT SALES MANAGER FOR COVERS:

Dr. Paul T. Jackson (LM5), 10 Brentwood Road, Raritan, NJ 08869 has been selected as the Club's Assistant Sales Manager for Covers replacing Edwin L. Stuntzner whose resignation was announced in the February 1987 Bulletin. Dr. Jackson joined us in 1974, and is currently an educator at Rutgers University. He finds that he has more time available and wishes to be of assistance to the club. Paul has a further affiliation with the American Philatelic society where he is a Life Member. His philatelic interests include the United States, Vatican, United Nations and classics.

DUES INCREASE:

On the other side of this page there is a membership application blank. It is being printed in the Bulletin for two reasons.

First of all, it permits you to hand out a membership application when you find a hot prospect.

Secondly, it is our way of announcing a change in the annual dues to \$7.00. There is a one time new member fee of \$1.00.

The primary reason for the dues increase, which was approved by the Club's executive committee, is obvious. The Club operated at a net loss of \$2,000.25 in 1986 (See TPB, March 1987, p.41), while the Club is still in a strong financial position it can not continue to operate at a loss indefinitely. This dues increase is a preventative measure designed to head off future problems.

At \$7.00 the annual membership fee is still the best bargain in philately. The rate for life membership has been retained at 15 times the annual fee (\$105.00).

THE PERFINs CLUB

An organization of philatelists, devoted to the collection and study of Perforated Initials and Insignia in postage stamps. Founded 1943

Annual dues of The Perfins Club are \$7.00, of which \$4.00 is for subscription to The Perfins Bulletin.

The Club is on a July-to July dues year. New members are charged a one time initiation fee of \$1.00 to help defray mailings of new members indoctrination materials.

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Select the appropriate dues schedule and continue by filling in allotted space on opposite side.

Complete this application form as outlined below.

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Ralph Smith, R.R. #1, Box 5645, Dryden, ME 04225.

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_____ city state zip _____

_____ occupation date of birth _____

two references or major society number. (APS etc)

Perfins interests U.S. beginner

Country (names) _____

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-- WANT ADS AND NOTICES --

FREE WANT ADS FOR MEMBERS

Classified ads are published without charge for members of the Perfins Club in the The Perfins Bulletin. Members submitting want ads are requested to send them to the editor at least one month prior to the particular issue in which publication is desired. The The Perfins Bulletin will also publish, without charge, material from nonmembers deemed to be of interest to the Club.



FOR SALE - Scott Catalogue Number 292 (\$1.00 black perf 12, Western Cattle in Storm) with pattern N 41, \$240.00. Edwin C. Haack, 10930 N.E. Klickitat Street, Portland OR 97220.



FOR SALE/TRADE - George McGowan has a dozen or so perfins on cover to sell or trade for any Newfoundland perfins. The covers are U.S. and foreign and details are available from George at: P.O. Box 89, Kinderhook, NY 12106.

FOR SALE - Set of Argentine Pages as published in the Bulletin, complete, mailed flat for \$3.00. Postpaid to U.S. and Canadian addresses. The set numbers 17 printed pages. Ralph W. Smith, RR 1, Box 5645, Dryden, ME 04225.

WANTED TO BUY - 1/2 cent U.S. Stamps that have been perforated. The following Scott listed U.S. 1/2 cent stamps are wanted:

#551, 653, 704, 803, 1030, J68,
J69, J79, J88, CZ #70, CZ #118

James P. Harris, 1940 South Churchill Drive, Wilmington, NC 28403

ONE DOES NOT NEED TO BE A LAWYER TO ENJOY Forensic Philately.

This 113 page soft cover book is an actual transcript of one of the most celebrated philatelic trials in history, that of several stamp dealers almost a century ago in London at the famous Old Bailey. Edited by Herman Herst, Jr., the book has a foreword by Britain's famous philatelic writer, L. Norman Williams, himself a prominent barrister, explaining British judicial procedure. The verdict (guilty, with a sentence to hard labor) will show that in the 1890s, dishonesty, even in philately, was not tolerated.

For a limited time the U.S. price is \$6.50 postpaid (Canada \$8.00, U.S. funds.) Send orders to BOOK DEPOT, Suite 157, 153 East Palmetto Park Road, Boca Raton, FL 33432.

DEATH DUTIES

Ralph W. Smith, Secretary, R.R. 1 Box 5645, Dryden ME 04225

Now, to a matter of some distaste to all but something that has to be addressed at some time by each and all of us. In the course of receiving dues I inevitably receive death notices, or worse yet, no response. The latter can only let us resort to conjecture. Lets all consider the following:

Have you thought what you will do with your Perfins Collection when you find that you no longer have the time to devote to it or a flagging interest develops? Remember the enjoyment YOU had over the years. Why not induce enjoyment of the same order in someone else. Here are some of your options.

1. Hang onto it till "death do you part" and then let the IRS and the Attorneys have their fun with it. It is a matter of substantial record that the IRS has literally applied Catalog values for Estate Tax purposes.
2. Determine what you would like to get for it moneywise and let the *Bulletin* advertise it for you.
3. Place the collection in the hands of the Club for an auction sale, whereby you may place a reserve for your own protection. This entails a commission.
4. Let the Club's sales department break down the collection for approval sale. This also entails a commission.
5. Last, but not least and actually the best of all: find a member of the family that will carry on, in your behalf, perpetuating your endeavors and memory.

And now, another matter...

Dues will be due by June 30 and our secretary, Ralph W. Smith, is always swamped during the months of May, June and July. It would be nice if the members could do themselves and Ralph a big favor by sending in next years dues now. That would be at the new rates of \$7.00 for North American members and \$9.00 for all others.

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT

THE SECRETARY IS RALPH W. SMITH, RR 1 - BOX 5645, DRYDEN, NE 04225

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U.S. Beginner By: Smith
- 2520 MacDonald, William M.; 29 Canadian Oaks Drive; Whitby, Ontario,
Canada L1H 6X5
U.S. Beginner By: Rickard
- 2521 Harris, Samuel D.; 1506 Almond St.-Rear; Williamsport PA 17701
U.S. Beginner By: Hazard LM92
- 2522 Naegele, Erwin E.; 5847 W. Eddy Street; Chicago, IL 60634
Beginner By: Hazard LM92

NEW LIFE MEMBER ON ADMISSION:

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60901
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96662
- 2318 Williams, Ruth; c/o Gay & Taylor; 390 Pondella Road, Suite B;
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- 2347 Ashley, William B; 15 Burnt Oak Circle; Lafayette, CA 94549
- 2470 DuFresne, Richard L; FCTCLANT Code 24; ASWCC, ASCOMM,
Class 87010; Dam Neck, VA 23461

RE-INSTATE: With Address Change:

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SUMMARY:

Members as of December 31, 1986	778
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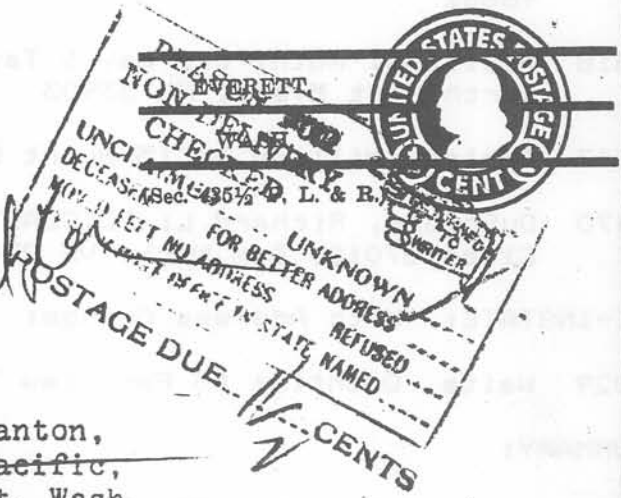
PERFINS USED FOR POSTAGE DUE

The illustrated cover, submitted by Dave Smith (#1514), 125 West 6th Street, Rochester, Indiana 46975, was culled from the stock of Ben Hedding, late editor of the Precanceled Envelopes of the United States. The envelope is blue #T1a 1A 49 28, mailed from Everett WA to Everett WA, and returned with 1-1/2 cents postage due. The one cent stamp is perfinned N 129 (Northern Pacific RR). The stamps were pencil canceled as is the notation below, and the name Runkler to the right. With the postal return stamp in red violet and the amount due (1-1/2) and the reason returned (unknown) in blue pencil it is a colorful item. What a postal clerk was doing with perfins is a puzzler. Perhaps he took them as payment for something owed by the local Northern Pacific agent, or perhaps...

After 5 days, return to
 W. M. Aymar, Secy.,
 EVERETT LODGE NO. 137, F. & A. M.,
 1905 Pacific Ave.,
 EVERETT, WASH.
 Return postage guaranteed.



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 Ray Stanton,
 1608 Pacific,
 Everett, Wash.



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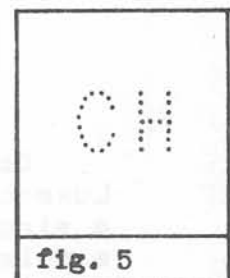
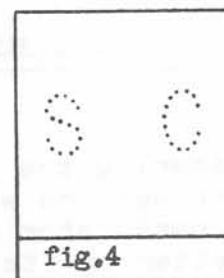
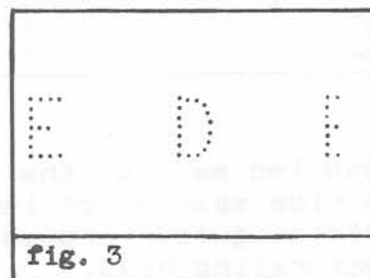
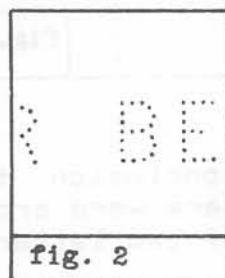
LUXEMBOURG PERFINS PUZZLE

Vojtech Maxa (#933)

P.S. 50, 170 21 Praha, Czechoslovakia

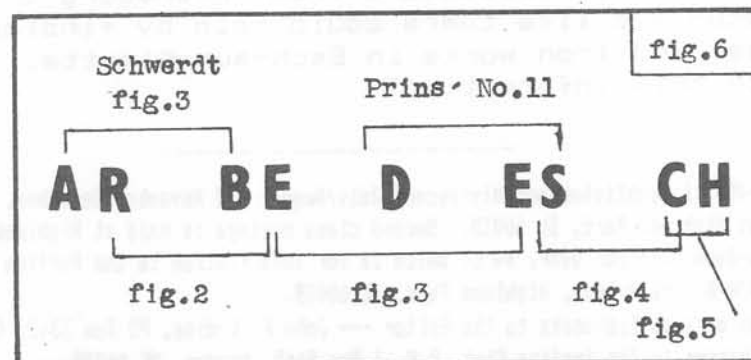
Bob Schwerdt pointed out in the July/August 1986 issue of the Perfins Bulletin that some Luxembourg perfins exist with different letters spaced more widely than usual and suggested that they were a part of a larger text.

In my Luxembourg collection I have some perfins that fit this description and they also puzzled me. Bob's article inspired me to try to solve the problem. Here are the perfins:



Perfin "AR", (Figure 1) corresponds to Bob's "AR"B. Then I have perfins "R BE", (Figure 2), "E D E" spaced over two stamps, (Figure 3), "S C" (Figure 4), "CH" (figure 5) and "BE" (shown in Bob's article and reproduced at the bottom of this article for reference).

All my perfins combined with Bob's "AR B" and Jan Prins' No. 11 "D ES" can be arranged after a little trying in a row where each component fits into each other like a jig-saw puzzle. A schematic drawing (Figure 6) illustrates how it was done.



Here it might be useful to have a closer look at the stamps and their postmarks. My perfins "AR", "R BE" and "CH", as well as Prins' "D ES", were postmarked at Esch-sur-Alzette. Some of my perfins were punched into stamps of the 1926 issue portraying Great-Duchess Charlotte (size 22x25 mm). Jan Prins' No 11 must be on some of the large-size semipostals.

I have drawn over the reconstructed row of perfins two grids representing the 22x25 mm and 31x25 mm stamps. As may be noted from Figure 7, the spacing of all the perfins fits ideally 1 fr. Landscape stamps when a vertical strip of five was put into the perforator. And all of my 1 fr. Landscape stamps have perfins in the sideways position. The Great-Duchess Charlotte stamps when perforated in horizontal strips often show split perfins in the upright position. This is the case with my "E D E" perfin. When vertical strips were used the perfins fit well, but they are in the sideways position.



Considering the above led me to the conclusion that all Luxembourg perfins with wide spacing of letters were produced by a single perforator containing four groups of two letters and a single letter on its perforating head.

As to the meaning of the text, I can only give a suggestion; from the Landscape set we know that several blast-furnaces worked in Esch-sur-Alzette - the 2 fr. blue-black stamp carries a view of them. Therefore, I propose a partial meaning of the text: (AR BE) d'Esch where abbreviations "AR" and "BE" may stand for the full name of the Steel and Iron Works. I presume that the name of the town was usually abbreviated to "Esch". This abbreviation is used by the Zumstein catalog in describing the 2 fr. stamp.

I attempted to solve the puzzle of the Luxembourg wide spaced perfins. My proposed solution may be near to the true one or not. Perfin collectors from Luxembourg or those familiar with the economic life there could help by finding the full name of the Steel and Iron works in Esch-sur-Alzette. Do we have a member with this information?

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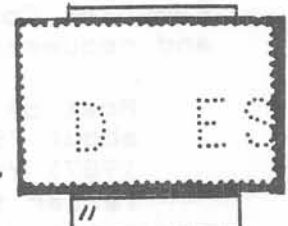
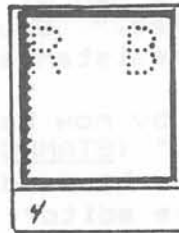
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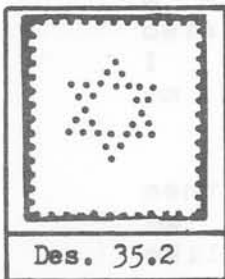
Any comments or suggestion about this article will be appreciated. You may send it to the editor or directly to the author.

NB: If you correspond directly with the author, I would appreciate a copy. JFL.



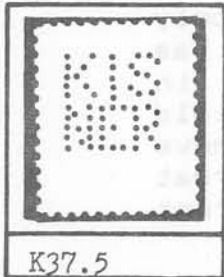
Bob Schwerdt's Original Illustration

-- STAR OF DAVID DES 35.2 --



Des. 35.2

Jacob Kisner (#2168), 254 Park Avenue South, Penthouse F, New York, NY 10010 is the owner of the device illustrated. He has asked me to inform the Perfins Club that he will be happy to provide examples for those who write to him at the above address. Please enclose a self-addressed envelope and current U.S. postage stamps to be perfinned (definitives, coils, commemoratives are OK). Foreign members desiring examples are requested to provide an international reply coupon.



K37.5

Jack advises that copies of his earlier pattern, "KIS/NER" (K37.5) is also available to those interested. Both the Star of David and KIS/NER pattern are used on his "Penthouse F Stamps" mailings. Jack also runs the Park Avenue Local Post as a publicity venture for his stamp business.

From the President

Dick Mewhinney, President of The Perfins Club announced that:

o Douglas Cutler has been appointed to chair a committee to be called the "Perfin Pamphlet Committee." In addition former Bulletin Editor and Club Secretary, Floyd Walker has been appointed to act as Doug's "Critical Reviewer." The club has wanted to develop such a work for many years and this is a real chance. Dick requests that the membership give all of the help they can to Doug.

Please note Doug's letter on the following page.

PERFINS PRIMER

For many years various officers of the Club have shown an interest in the development of a "Perfins Primer" which might be more aptly called "An Encyclopedia of Perfins." Douglas J. Cutler (#2113), has developed an outline of this work which upon completion may run to as many as a hundred pages. As noted earlier, Mr. Cutler, the prime mover of the project, has been nominated as Chairman of a committee to be known as the "Perfin Pamphlet Committee." Doug has written describing the project and requesting assistance.

Most of you by now have read the Herman Herst article about "SPIFS" (STAMPS Jan 17, 1987 and TPB April 1987) You may have discussed it or even written a letter to the editor about that article. The most pointed problem that the article puts forth is the lack of current available information for non-club members and perhaps even for some club members.

After climbing on my soapbox and spouting off, I was referred to Dick Mewhinney, who gave me some advice and asked me to chair a committee tasked to produce a pamphlet describing our club, its activities and also to describe what perfin collecting is all about. I agreed to do this, since my foot was already in my mouth, and because I want to do it.

As I am fairly new to Perfins, having collected them seriously for only seven years. Therefore, I am seeking whatever aide is available to me. I would like to have as much help as possible, so that this could be considered a "whole" club project rather than the work of an individual. Perfin collecting has become my only real hobby and I want to promote it as much as possible. I believe that it deserves its place in philately in the same manner as any other field deserves its place. As more and more collectors move into the Postal History field there will be a great number of people seeking information on the different aspects of perfins.

Anyone who is interested in helping with this project please write me at Route #2, 473 North Rush Street, Pentwater, MI 49449 with your ideas or telling me how you would like to help. The following chapter headings are tentative and they will be changed, as appropriate, with your help, comments, and suggestions.

PERFINS PAMPHLET

1. Introduction.
2. What are PERFINS?
3. Methods of Punching.
4. Why Collect Perfins.
5. Ways of Collecting.

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6. Starting a collection.
 7. Mounting a Collection.
 8. Distinguishing Patterns.
 9. Measuring Perfins.
 10. Catalogs.
 11. Perfin Organizations.
 12. References.
 13. Glossary

Attached to, but not a part of the pamphlet would be applicable materials, such as: lists of club officers, membership application blanks, club by-laws, library list, etc. These materials will only be available to club members.

NEW REVISED U.S. RAILROAD CATALOG

A NEW, revised United States Railroad Catalog is now at the printers and will be available to members shortly. This is the culmination of intensive efforts by member Robert Gray (#80L) who took over the project after the untimely death of Dr. James G. Martin (#1565), last year. This work will run some 67 pages. This is a welcome and important addition to our literature. Price and ordering details are expected to be available for the June 1987 edition.

DUES, SECOND NOTICE!

Secretary Ralph W. Smith, R.R. 1, Box 5645, Dryden, Maine 04225 reports that most of the snow will have left Maine by early May. Therefore, you may mail your membership renewals to him without fear that he will be unable to reach the mailbox. The new rates \$7.00 for one year or \$105.00 for life membership apply. Why not give yourself a Spring gift of life membership?

Notes from the editors desk...

Pages 56 and 57 interchanged positions when I put the April 1987 edition together.

All correspondence is answered; however, my other job involves the dreaded income tax. With the approach of April 15th. (this is to be written on 10 April) the world closes in on my time. Please excuse any slow responses.

Lot 97 in the Scandinavian Collectors Club, Southern California Chapter, Floor Sale, May 2, 1987: "Two WWI censored covers from Denmark to USA. One has H.R. (Herman Raffel) perfin on proper return address envelope." Starting bid is \$5.00. Jacob Kisner, who sent this item, will keep you informed on the "price realized."

JAPANESE PERFINs

Edwin C. Haack, (#770)
10930 N.E. Klickitat Street, Portland, Oregon 97220

In addition to my main interest U.S. collection, I also have a Japanese collection. Recently, I received an catalog from an auction house in Japan. I went through the catalog and marked the Japanese illustrations that had perfins. When I received the prices realized list I checked the lots that I had previously identified. Although this only covered nine lots out of 3,580 the results, listed below, are of interest and are one way of gauging prices for Japanese perfins. (See question from L. Moriarty in the March issue of the Bulletin.) The lots are identified according to Adachi as well as I could make out the illustration and the identification of the lot. The catalog is printed in Japanese.

Lot #	Adachi	Yen Value Adachi	Est.	Realized	U.S.	Plus 10%
56	H 43	500	1000	1300	8.48	9.28
71	H 43	500	1000	-no bid-		
147 pr.	H 43	1000	5000	7200	46.98	51.68
539	W 82	300	1000	1300	8.48	9.28
645	G 13	1000	1000	1100	7.18	7.90
949	G 6	1000	1000	3600	23.49	25.83
1894	X 4	1000	1000	2300	15.00	16.50
2543 Cover	N 9	1500	6000	16000	104.42	114.84
3191 Cover	H 16	800	5000	6200	40.46	44.50

* Japanese yen converted at \$.006526

As you can see from the above, single stamps as well as covers are going very well in Japan. If anyone is interested in receiving the catalogs, I would be glad to give you the address. The price for monthly auction catalogs is \$62.00 U.S. funds, which is about what the postage costs to mail the catalogs.

Eds note: On 10 April the Japanese yen was at \$.006988.

U.S. Catalog Notes..

The U.S. catalog editor is: Harry Rickard, 1887 Altozano Drive, El Cajon, CA 92020. NB: The reproduction is NOT an exact size.

Copies of B160 are found on stamps used around the period of Scott 720. New York City usage has been authenticated.

Finding a copy with Canton cancel, caused me to check it. Not surprisingly, it didn't quite match the later patterns. Perhaps Canton was the manufacturing plant and their perforator was a look-alike, but slightly different than New York office machine. New one comes on Scott 332. Try yours on this photo.



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From the Editors desk...

Mr. Brailsford, operator of the perfin device at Charles Wright & Sons Ltd., noted in TPB Vol XL, No. 4, pp 49-50 wrote in response to a draft copy of the article confirming the facts and added that besides what was said he also got it in the neck next to every day about the mess he caused on the floor with all the "little pieces of circular paper perforated from the stamps." They didn't want much for 10 shillings a week for six days 7 AM to 6 PM of a 13 year old, did they!



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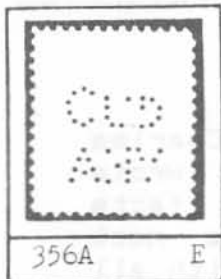
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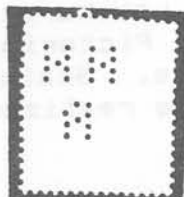
CUDAHY IRON-ON DUTCH GIRL

Marlyne Valencia (#2182), provided the illustrated cover with the corner card of Cudahy, 221 North LaSalle Street Chicago, Il. The mailing was in a manila clasp envelope with a Cudahy mailing label using a precancel perfin C356A. The perfin is shifted left and a portion of the letters "C" and "A" are missing. The illustration shows the missing pins in the letters "U", "H", and "Y". A portion of the envelope's contents, a "Dutch Girl" iron-on-transfer sheet is also illustrated. The original sheet showed four rows of the trade mark and only one row has been shown here to save space.



HAMSTEAD HEALTH AUTHORITY? DIE "H/HA"

Roy Everett, 2 Coldnailhurst Avenue, Braintree, Essex CM7 7SJ,
England



I did a erroneous thing with the last new ten head die perfin that I acquired, one perfin of which is illustrated here. I sent off a full strip thinking that I had a photocopy. Unfortunately, I was wrong, so I don't have the full range of ten anymore, but a whole load of them ranging eight dies of the ten. The die is "HH/A" and it is almost 9.9/9 (except for one where the hole in the left "H" is always missing) -- and the varieties are noticeable on all types.

The upright's of the "H's" vary and the "A" goes all over the place (i.e., wide, narrow, straight, real odd, etc.

This perfin is not attributable to a user yet. My initial impression was that it might be "Hastings Health Authority." This initial impression related to seeing a cancel advertising Hastings with these perfins. However, I have modified that opinion for two reasons. First, the Hastings promotional cancel is used frequently throughout other areas of the country. Secondly, I have found part of full postmarks of Portsmouth, Hants., on a number of H.21A "HA/HA" perfins. Hants. is the diminutive for Hampshire, which is not where Hastings is located, it being in Sussex. The H.21A perfin has been seen with the "A" deleted from the top line (Remainder of the die the same), and with the position of the top "H" moved to a central position, this also transpired with other Health Authority dies as well.

This then, by theory, is as follows: "HA/HA" was Hampshire Area Health Authority, "H/HA" temporary dies after Area was dropped from the title, and then this new type of die started appearing. I can't prove it yet but that is the likely course of events.

Roy Everett also wrote to let me know that he has just completed the lists for his sales 28-34 which will span March through September covering GB perfins "A" to Designs with 2,268 different perfins illustrated, many of which are not in Tillies. For ordering information see TPB Vol XL, No. 1, January 1987, p.12.

ZEPPELIN COVER WITH PERFIN

Edwin C. Haack (#770)
10930 N.E. Klickitat Street, Portland OR 97220

In a recent auction conducted by Al Zimmerman, 843 Van Nest Avenue, Bronx, NY 10462 there was one lot with perfin. It was a Zeppelin cover with Scott catalogue number 479 (\$2.00 dark blue perf. 10, James Madison). The stamp was tied with a Lakehurst, NJ June 1, 130 postmark on an attractive Roessler Pictorial Cachet Cover which was flown and backstamped at Seville, Spain, June 5, 1930. The suggested value was \$1,000 the price realized was \$200.

INTERESTING PATTERNS

Harry Rickard
1887 Altozano Drive, El Cajon CA 92020

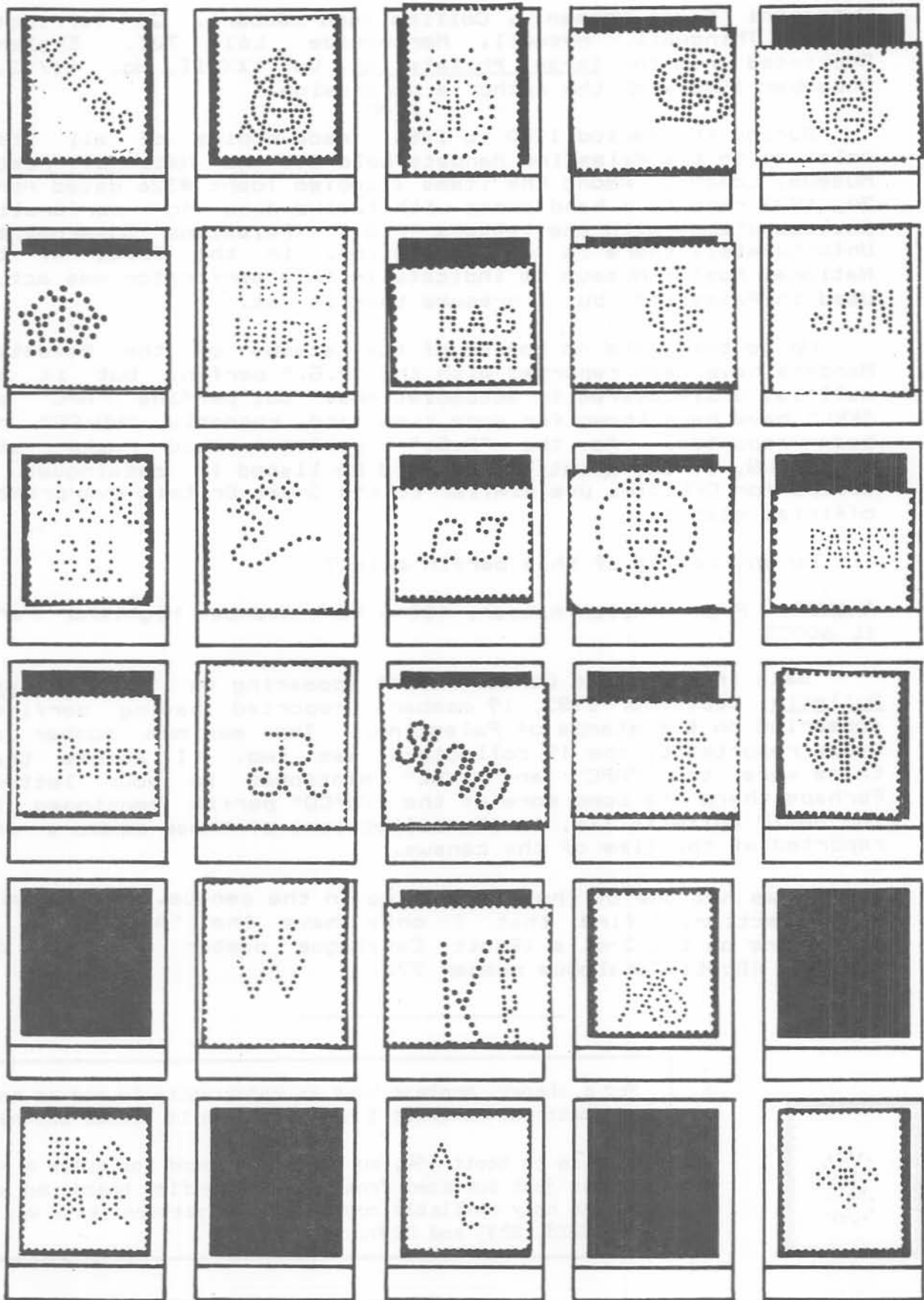
Most U.S. perfin collectors pursue only U.S. materials. Probably because there is a catalog and they probably collected U.S. stamps prior to turning to perfins. By limiting their field, they are not getting the full enjoyment of collecting perfins. Many foreign countries have perfins in abundance and many are easier to obtain than U.S. perfins.

The club loses some members each year because they are unable to find enough material to keep them busy. By adding other countries, availability is increased many fold, with many countries to embrace.

For several years, I have advertised in Linn's Stamp News to buy perfins, using their annual advertising rate. It has produced many thousands of patterns from many countries. In order to catch up on personal matters, I have not renewed my contract, so others will now have a chance to fill in the void.

The illustrated patterns (on the facing page) show what can be found when your field is enlarged to include other countries. Some Austrian patterns and three Chinese patterns are illustrations of some of these interesting patterns.

Consider collecting other countries. Albums are available for several countries. The new number three Additions & Corrections (A&C) pages lists foreign catalogs available. Foreign perfins, both regular and large sizes, fit nicely in the spaces of pages sold by the Perfins Club at \$10.00 per one hundred pages. These are similar to U.S. catalog pages. They may be ordered from Assistant Sales Manager, Art Atkinson, 5109 A Street, Lincoln, NE 68510.



**STAMPS WITH OFFICIAL PERFIN
P.G. --- DO THEY EXIST?**

Question: From: Norman J. Collins (non-member), 21 Torrington Drive, Thingwall, Heswall, Merseyside L61 7UZ, England. Reprinted from the Israel Philatelist, Vol XXXVII, No. 11/12, December 1986 with the author's permission.

During the period 1980 to 1984 I made copies of all items relating to the Palestine Mandate held at the National Postal Museum, London. Among the items I copied Ident #326 dated April 20, 1922 reports a hand press with twelve dies for perforating postage stamps with the letters "P.G." (Palestine Government). Unfortunately there is no indication, in the files of the National Postal Museum to indicate if this perforator was actual used in Palestine, but I presume that it was.

Up to this date no copies of the stamps of the Palestine Mandate have been reported with the "P.G." perfin, but it may well lay undiscovered in accumulations. But perfins "APC" and "KKL" have been known for some time and recently "VO/CO" has been reported. As the "P.G." perfin would make stamps **OFFICIALS**, if any exist they should be listed in catalogues as stamps for OFFICIAL use similar to the Great Britain overprinted official stamps.

Do any copies of this perfin exist?

ANSWER: From: Helen Ratzer, 400-A Park Avenue, Highland Park, IL 60035

Back in the world Census report appearing in The Perfins Bulletin, September 1985, 19 members reported having perfins appearing on the stamps of Palestine. The maximum number of types reported by the 19 collectors was two. I assume that these were the "APC" and "KKL" mentioned in your letter. Perhaps there are some more of the "VO/CO" perfin mentioned in the BAPIP Bulletin 114, in the collections of those members who reported at the time of the census.

I was not one of those reporting in the census. In checking my collection, I find that I only have the "APC" type of Palestine on the 2-mils (Scott Catalogue number 63) and the 20-mils (Scott Catalogue number 77).



For a change, members have an opportunity to see an entirely new pattern. At least I have not seen it listed anywhere.

S264 is on Scott 554, so has been around for quite a while. It has just surfaced from someones perfins hoard, so might be the only available copy. The same pattern style was used for S228, S233 and S234.

FREE WANT ADS FOR MEMBERS

Classified ads are published without charge for members of the Perfins Club in the The Perfins Bulletin. Members submitting want ads are requested to send them to the editor at least one month prior to the particular issue in which publication is desired. The The Perfins Bulletin will also publish, without charge, material from nonmembers deemed to be of interest to the Club.

FOR SALE/TRADE - George McGowan has a dozen or so perfins on cover to sell or trade for any Newfoundland perfins. The covers are U.S. and foreign and details are available from George at: P.O. Box 89, Kinderhook, NY 12106.

WANTED TO BUY - 1/2 cent U.S. Stamps that have been perforated. The following Scott listed U.S. 1/2 cent stamps are wanted:

#551, 653, 704, 803, 1030, J68,
J69, J79, J88, CZ #70, CZ #118

James P. Harris, 1940 South Churchill Drive, Wilmington, NC 28403

NOVICE - U.S. Perfin collector wishes to correspond and/or trade material. I don't have much in the way of perfins yet but perhaps I can help you in other areas (i.e., precancels, PNC's, used or mint Canada, etc.) Hope to hear from you, thanks. W. MacDonald, 29 Canadian Oaks Drive, Whitky, Ontario, Canada L1N 6X5.

WANTED - Starting a collection of Irish perfins and need help. If you have extras, please send with price asked. Gordon S. Veith, P.O. Box 641011, Kenner, LA 70064-1011.

WANTED - Scott Catalogue Number 467 or 505, 5 cent error perfins on cover, piece or as singles. Please send details. I will answer all correspondence. P.R. Beutel, P.O. Box 15964, Colorado Springs, CO 80935.

FOR SALE - Accumulation of about 3,500 mixed foreign perfins. Concentrating in early Germany and Great Britain. These I have kept from many sources over twenty four years. Having never collected foreign, these are unpicked. Since I do not know rarity, I have discarded very few leaving many poor copies. This lot should be an interesting and exciting adventure for someone. To the highest bidder two weeks after arrival of the *Bulletin*

ALSO - numbers of 100s packets of mixed common U.S. and smaller all different lots of 50. Many class C U.S. SASE, please. \$1.00 to \$2.00 each. Larry Owen, 1808 Lakecrest Ct, Carrollton, TX 75006.

SOME TUNISIAN ODDITIES

Robert J. Schwerdt (#505), 9 Memory Lane, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

In reorganizing my stock pages of French colony perfins, I discovered the illustrated pair on Scott Catalogue number 85 with a Tunis cancel. It appears that three of the pins of the "B" on one stamp have been replaced with pins of a larger diameter. What is unusual is that none of my other eleven copies show any enlarged holes, nor, for that matter, show any missing holes.



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On Scott Catalogue number 51 I discovered a "PAQUEBO..." cancel with "MAL..." at the bottom of a circle. I wonder if these three letters represent Malta - an island close to Tunisia? The cancel is too faint to reproduce. I should appreciate hearing from anyone who has a similar, but complete cancel.



TUNIS

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SOUSSE

Finally, after checking several dozen copies of the "C.N." perfin used in Tunis, I discovered a variety with a "SOUSSE" cancel. Both types are illustrated here. It can be noted that the top of the "C" hooks inward more than on the Tunis variety, and there is a wiggle in the top of the second leg of the "N". I can't tell if these variations are constant since I have only one copy of this pattern. The holes do appear larger than those of the common variety.

I'm looking for many perfin types from Algeria, Morocco, and Tunisia for photocopy work for the African catalog pages. If any member has duplicates for exchange or sale, or is willing to lend copies, please write to me at the above address.

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT

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- 2525 Haas, Charles J.; 16525 George Washington Drive, Rockville, MD
20853
U.S. Beginner By: Kunavich
- 2526 Fleming, Alex G.; 35505 39th. Avenue South, Auburn, WA 98001
U.S. By: Smith
- 2527 Sessin, Guy W.; 6941 S.E. 29th. Street; Tecumpseh, KS 66542
U.S. Beginner By: Smith
- 2528 Hagreeen, Harold T.; 2384 Victoria Street; Prince George, B.C.
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- 2529 Lazar, Michael L. 35 Minnamurra Road, Northbridge, N.S.W. 2063
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- 2530 Callis, James R., Jr.; 12045 Hickory Hills Court, Oakton, VA
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Literature By: Smith
- 2531 Harding, Margaret E.; 51 The Crescent, Bewas, Gwent NP1 8AG
England
Great Britain By: Smith

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Members as of January 31, 1986	784
New Members	+ 9
Re-Instated	+ 1
Resigned	- 1
Members as of February 28, 1987	<u>793</u>

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Did you ever notice the bottom line on the first page of the *Bulletin*?

Currently there are ten issues (numbers) of the *Bulletin* each year. These ten numbers make up a Volume. Whole Numbers are counted consecutively from the first edition (Volume I, Number 1, Whole Number 1). Since there have not always been ten numbers each year we have arrived at our 400th. issue in June rather than with the November/December issue.

Considering the size of our club the magnitude of that number (400) is an indication of the Club's vitality. An other sign of this strength is manifest by the fact that recently a subscription to the *Bulletin* starting with Whole Number 396 was requested by The Library of Congress.

While the *Bulletin* is an outward sign of the Club's vitality and strength, member involvement is the real reason for our growth and longevity. There are a number of Club projects which currently need your involvement. There are several appeals for help in this number. Get involved.

JFL

Austrian Offices
in
the Levant

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13	14	15	16	17	18

FOREIGN SURVEY

Bob Schwerdt and I are attempting to establish a **Rarity Factor** on the illustrated perfins. Twelve members have already provided information to bring us to this point, and now we would like to have total membership participation. Please report even if you only have one copy of a single pattern since the count could affect the rating. The patterns illustrated have been reduced to 75 percent to conserve space; however, we see no problem as only one pattern appears in two sizes. The patterns marked "no copy" have been authenticated and are known to exist, but the writer does not have a copy.

We are seeking the following information:

1. Do you have any patterns from these areas which are not shown?
If so, please send a xerox copy.
2. If you have any of the patterns illustrated we would like to know:
 - a. How many copies you have.
 - b. On what issues they appear.

Please use the following method to report:

Example: Bosnia & Herzegovina: #2, 5 copies - 1906 issue
#2, 2 copies - 1910 issue

Levant: #7, 4 copies - 1914, etc.

Please mail reports to John J. Nussbickel, P.O. Box 596,
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1	2	3	4	5	6
LB. FM.	L.H.	LL.H.	SKM	MT no copy	PAKB
7	8	9	10	11	12
PLB.	Richter no copy	SBM CBM.	SNB CHB	S.R. no copy	SRP
13	14	15	16	17	18
S.T.	TBS TBW	TI	VBe B Bφ no copy		
19	20	21	22	23	24

U.S. PERFINS RATINGS

Harry Rickard, U.S. Catalog Editor
1887 Altozano Drive, El Cajon, CA 92020

Since 1981, three surveys have been conducted to establish U.S. perfin ratings. The first, was a comprehensive survey with coverage that resulted in more than 500 changes to ratings and introduced the "F" rating. The published results has enabled members to save many dollars by not overpaying for perfins based on outdated information. It also provided valuable information with regard to the approximate quantities of perfins available.

Both of the later surveys covered newly listed copies and specific perfins which were thought to be either scarcer or less common than their listing.

The 1981 survey, being the first one in many years, received a great response from leading collectors, collectors with intermediate collections, collectors with small collections and novices.

We are planning a new survey for this Fall and Winter. It will cover Additions and Corrections (A&C) listed material, plus selected items rated "A" through "E". Please advise me of any specific perfins that you think should be included.

It has been determined that many perforators had broken pins from initial usage or shortly after being placed in service. If complete copies were known to exist in quantities of ten or less, then partial copies would have a better status.

Survey results tell a story, but for the correct story to emerge it is necessary that everyone participate in the upcoming survey. It will only cost you a small investment in time and a 22 cent stamp. The eventual results will be the product of your participation.

Two final notes:

o Who will volunteer to help with the next survey?
It will be my last and someone needs to be initiated now.

o All members who have U.S. Catalogs and who do not have the rating changes published in the July/August 1982, January 1985, or the July/August 1986 editions of the *Bulletin* will need those rating changes.

You may get these from me. For 1982 copies with over 500 changes, send a large SASE and 25 cents for copies. The 1985 and 1986 copies require a large SASE and 15 cents.

FOUND IN A TEN POUND BOX

Recently I had the pleasure of receiving a brief note from someone who is not a member with a few perfins enclosed. The gift was a "...small offering..." in tribute to Howard Ferguson of Yarmouth, MA a deceased member of The Perfins Club. The donee, who used to trade his perfins with Howard many years ago also noted that Mr. Ferguson had been active in compiling the Club's first Catalog.

The scarcity of perfins was noted, as a ten pound box contained only a few perfins, to wit:

	Scott Catalogue Number:	Perfin:	Remarks
United States:	508	W138	
	1038	D26	
	1283	I67	
	1288	B89	
	1396	S154 x 5	2 damaged
	1596	I67	
	1598	B89	
	1818	D103	
	1818	I.5	
	1890	D103	
Australia:	385	"VG"	damaged.

Fill Ralph Smith's mail box with your dues check. Do it now!

YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK PERFIN

George A. Fisher, Jr. (#1152), 10749 West Saratoga Place,
Littleton, CO 80127

A Japanese perfin is illustrated on page 56 of the April *Bulletin*, and is explained on page 55. The text says that the item "is believed to confirm Adachi's Q29." For one thing, none of the six perfins (Q26 to Q31) used by the various offices of the Yokohama Specie Bank included in Adachi's catalog needs confirmation, since they have been well-known for half a century or more. Q29 was used, as Adachi says, by the Kobe Branch of the bank, and he also says that Q29 measures 6.5 mm. in height between hole centers. The illustration in the *Bulletin* shows a cover from the Osaka Branch. An inset illustrates the perfin but direct measurement from this illustration is not possible since the illustration has gone through at least two photocopy stages enroute to printing.

Adachi says that perfin Q30 was used by the Osaka Branch of the bank. Q30, however, is a distinctive pattern with a misplaced hole, as arrowed in his catalog. The illustration in the *Bulletin* is definitely not Q30. Is the inset a tracing from the cover, or is it a copy of one of Adachi's illustrations?

Use of one branch's perfin from the office of another is not unknown for some Japanese perfins, and could easily have occurred with Yokohama Specie Bank perfins. If the perfin on the cover is definitely Q29, then the cover, having been used from Osaka rather than Kobe, certainly does not "confirm" Q29.

The comment that the "26" postmark on the cover indicates the last year of the Taisho era is a bit off. The Taisho era lasted only 15 years, from 1912 to Christmas Day 1926 (making the first year of the present era--Showa 1--only 6 days long). Thus the highest Taisho year is 15, not 26. Note that the postmark is in Roman letters (commonly called "English"); as such, these postmarks were for use only on mail destined for foreign countries. Dates in these postmarks appear in the Western system in the order day-month-year, so the 26 represents the day the item was postmarked, not the year. In domestic postmarks, which are in Japanese, the order is year-month-day in the Japanese era system.

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Editor's notes: The *Bulletin* is produced by photo-offset printing, as a result all illustrations are "photo-copied" at least twice prior to printing. Direct measurement is not accurate. JFL

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Comment by William Turney

For the record:

I am reasonably sure that the perfins on the Yokohama Specie Bank cover is Q29. They certainly are not Q28 or Q30. I superimposed four other Q29's over those on the cover to be sure. The illustrated perfin (inset) is probably not Q29. The postmark is for international mail.

The information I obtained was from an article on Eras of Japan by a W.H. McConnell. It appeared in an earlier edition of *Stamp Collector*. The Eras are listed commencing from 1886

I appreciate reading the comments from George Fisher. Its great to have the benefit of access to the knowledge of another member's specialty!

-- WANT ADS AND NOTICES --

BUY, SELL OR TRADE - Danish perfins. Need some beginning with A, B, C, and D using D.C. Trumps catalog. Have a supply of excellent duplicates in various denominations and on various stamps. Please write to Dr. M.I. Bro, 6 Clyth Drive, Wilmington, DE 19803.

WANTED - Perfin Design 1 "KKL" (Hebrew letters, Keren Kayemet L'Israel) on stamp or cover of Palestine Mandate. Please write to Emil S. Dickstein, M.D., 5437 Mahoning Avenue, Youngstown, OH 44515.

FOR SALE - Denmark Perfins - all different: 37 patterns \$3.75, 54 patterns \$5.25, 76 patterns \$7.25. 252 stamps, 1 to 29 different issues on 56 different patterns \$18.25. All offers postpaid in the U.S. and Canada. J. Schmidt, 805 W. Hermosa Pl., Green Valley AZ 85614-2014.

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EXCHANGE OR SELL - Will exchange (or sell) Hungary, Italy, South America for Austria, Czechoslovakia and Portugal. Photo available. William Turney, 1306 Cottonwood CR., North Vancouver, B.C. V7P 1K9, Canada.

P.G. PERFINS DO EXIST!

Norman J. Collins (non-member), 21 Torrington Drive, Thingwall,
Heswall, Merseyside L61 7UZ, England.

See also TPB, April 1987, p. 76.

My article reporting the Indent No. 326, dated 20th April 1922 relating to an order for a Hand Press with 12 dies for perforating postage stamps with the letters "P.G." (PALESTINE GOVERNMENT) was distributed to all Holy Land Journal editors and the first to publish it was *The Israel Philatelist* in its December 1986 issue.

On the 6th of January 1987 I received my first response to this article from Dr. Arthur M. Hochheiser confirming the existence of stamps with this perfin, so two pieces of the jig-saw came together.

In the June 1979 issue of the *Israel Philatelist*, page 1954, Dr. Hochheiser had reported a copy of the 2 mils London I with this perfin, I was unaware of this because I do not have a copy of that issue of *Israel Philatelist* (That article is reprinted and illustrated below.)

In his article he states that the press was ordered on a trial basis but was presumably turned down because it could only perforate one stamp at a time. This statement was based on a note which was with the item when he purchase it. It also noted that the item had been reported in a stamp magazine circa 1929 (i.e., 50 years before his article.)

The statement that the press would only perforate one stamp at a time (based on the note) we see is incorrect as the order was for a press with 12 perforating heads. Be this as it may, the press was undoubtedly used and thus produced stamps for OFFICIAL use during the Palestine Mandate. With the evidence of the order for the press and Dr. Hochheiser's example (I'm sure more should exist and possibly of other values), this item and any other copies found, and especially if found on cover, must rate among the great rarities of the Mandate and should be included in future specialised catalogues as OFFICIALS.

Note: I cannot stress too deeply that readers should respond positively to requests by writers and researchers for information or photocopies of items to enable them to complete accurately as is possible articles or reference works. Remember, you can only enjoy your journals if there are philatelists willing to give their time and effort to producing articles. Likewise you will only get reference works of value if the philatelist willing to take the time to compile such is given the "tools" to do the job. I have had several requests published in various Holy Land Journals for information and illustrations and I am sad to say the only direct response has been from those I am already in touch with. I wonder why collectors are reluctant to help those who work on their behalf

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Another Mandate "Perfin"

Dr. Arthur Hochheiser, Member of the Palestine Study Group
Central Jersey Chapter S.I.P. Reprinted from *The Israel Philatelist* June 1979, page 1954, with permission.












Most Mandate collectors know that two different "perfins" are to be found on some of the stamps of the London II and Pictorial issues. These are the "KKL" (in Hebrew letters) for Keren Kayemet L'Israel and the "APC" for the Anglo-Palestine Company. The purpose of perfins is to serve as a security measure. What is not generally known is that a third "perfin" exists, even though this was reported and written about over fifty years ago.

Illustrated is the 2 mil London I with the "perfin" "PG". This stands for **Palestine Government**. These were ordered on a trial basis by the Mandate Authority but the machine that perforated the initials was turned down, presumably because it could only perforate one stamp at a time.

Don't forget! Mail your dues payment to Ralph Smith today!






ARGENTINA

Additions and Corrections to the World Perfins Catalog - 5

	30.5 A Banco Londres y America d. Sud Buenos Aires		119.7 A Buenos Aires
T [B12]	1933	[L4]	1936
[CAP]	44.5 A Corporacion Argentina De Carnes Buenos Aires		145.5 A Municipalidad "Gral. Rodriguez" General Rodriguez
[C7]	1957	T [M13]	1973
[DNV]	66.5 A Direccion National De Vialidad Buenos Aires	(No Example)	145.7 A Mihanovich Co. Argentina de Navegacion S A. Buenos Aires
[D2]	1939	[M15]	1938
	76 A Enrique Santamarina é Hijos Buenos Aires		150.5 A Buenos Aires
T [E9]	1965	T [M19]	1926
	93 A (Better Photo)		166 A Mendoza
[G2]		T [P8]	1947
[HGC]	99.5 A H. Goldenberg Ltd. y Sucurs Buenos Aires	(No Example)	171.5 A S.A. Frigorifico Angelo Buenos Aires
[H4]	1934	[S3]	1943
	119.3 A Bueno Aires		174.5 A Buenos Aires
T [L3]	1952	T [S7]	1967



ARGENTINA Additions and Corrections to the World Perfins Catalog - 5

<p>(No Example) [S9]</p>	<p>175.5 A Buenos Aires 1933</p>		
 T [S11]	<p>177 A (Better Photo)</p>		
<p>(No Example) (S13)</p>	<p>179.5 A Standard Oil Co. Ltda. Buenos Aires 1934</p>		
 T [S14]	<p>179.7 A Staudt & Co. y Sucurs. Rosario 1897</p>		
 T [Misc 1]	<p>194 A (Better Photo)</p>		
 T [Misc 9]	<p>202 A (Better Photo)</p>		
 T [Misc 11]	<p>207 A Buenos Aires 1960</p>		



EXPLANATION OF ARGENTINA A&C PAGES

R.J. Schwerdt (#505), 9 Memory Lane, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

A comparative study of the Argentine perfins of Walter B.L. Bose's 1985 catalog (Sellos Postales Perforados de la Republica Argentina) with those of the World Perfin Catalog (WPC) published in the *Perfins Bulletin* from October 1985 to October 1986 reveals additional perfin types. With the kind permission of Mr. Bose we illustrate those types and assign numbers to serve as Additions and Corrections (A&C) pages for the WPC.

A few differences due to letter transpositions and classifications should be noted first:

<u>Bose #</u>	<u>type</u>	<u>WPC #</u>	<u>type</u>
A9	AM	A136	MA
M5	MA in circle	A8	AM in circle
D5	DPN	C1	DPN
G3	[GPJ]	C2	[GPJ]

There are over a dozen patterns unlisted by Bose that are illustrated in the WPC. Most of these; however, are arbitrary variations of existing patterns. Likewise, Mr. Bose illustrates over a dozen patterns not found in the WPC, including a few that are better illustrations and are therefore included.

Dates indicate authorization or first recorded usage. A "T" represents a traced pattern. Numbers in [] represent those of the Bose catalog. designs in [] indicates that no example of the perfin has been found.

Number A179.7 is the same perfin type as used on stamps of Paraguay and Uruguay. See the World Perfin Catalog

The Perfins Club acknowledged Mr. Bose's efforts in providing the original material for the Argentina pages to the World Perfin Catalog and now thanks him once more for authorizing this additional information and the use of these new patterns.

PERFIN PAMPHLET

Douglas J. Cutler (#2113), Route #2, 473 North Rush Street,
Pentwater, MI 49449

The following is the proposed outline of the proposed pamphlet in greater detail than the brief summary appearing in the *Bulletin* for May 1987. Anyone who is interested in helping with this project please write with your ideas or telling me how you would like to help. Please include an SASE.

PERFINS PAMPHLET

- I. Introduction to Pamphlet and Table of Contents.
- II. What are Perfins?
 - A. General History of Perfins, including...
 - 1. Security Endorsements
 - 2. Over and Under-prints and Surcharges
 - 3. Punches and Perfins
 - 4. Meters and Frama (??)
 - B. Perfin Dictionary
- III. Methods of Punching Perfins
 - A. Single Head Dies (Including examples and photos)
 - B. Multi-head Dies (Including examples and photos)
 - C. Manual and Electric Machines
 - 1. Inventors
 - 2. Manufacturers
 - 3. Photographs, Blueprints, Etc.
- IV. Why Collect Perfins?
 - A. History of Collecting
 - B. Fun or Investment (??)
- V. What to Collect
 - A. Condition
 - B. Cancellations
 - C. Covers
- VI. Distinguishing Patterns (Types with photos to illustrate)
 - A. Official (Government)
 - B. Private
 - 1. Business
 - 2. Personal
 - C. Revenue
 - D. Precancelled
 - E. Dated-precanceled
 - F. Type Guide (Including Single, Multiple Letter, Line, Monogram, Fancy, Split, Etc.)
 - G. Odd Types (Including Mirrors, Foldovers, Illegals, Etc.)
- VII. Measuring Perfins
 - A. Measuring Guide
 - B. Refinements
- VII. Starting a Collection of Perfins (Including photographs to illustrate)

Annual dues at the rate of \$7.00 or \$105.00 for Life Membership are due NOW! Have your mailed your check?

-
- A. Equipment and Useful Tools
 - B. A Type Collection
 - 1. Patterns
 - 2. Full-names
 - 3. Designs
 - 4. Numbers
 - 5. Etc.
 - C. A Topical Collection
 - 1. Railroads
 - 2. Utilities
 - 3. Oil Companies
 - 4. Insurance Companies
 - 5. Etc.
 - D. Specializing Within a Collection
- IX. How Catalog Numbers are Assigned.
- X. How to make Photo-prints
- XI. Grading Guide.
- XII. Positioning Guide
- XIII. Rating Guide
- XIV. Recording of Data
 - A. File Cards
 - B. Other
- XV. Mounting a Perfin Collection
 - A. Methods
 - 1. Hinged vs. Not Hinging
 - 2. Mounts (Different Kinds)
 - 3. Stock Cards and Sheets
 - 4. Vinyl Pages
 - 5. Other Methods
 - B. Specializing
 - 1. A Pattern Collection (Types)
 - 2. A Synoptic Collection
 - 3. An Issue Collection
 - 4. A Topical Collection
 - 5. Other Collections
 - C. Additional Ideas
- XVI. Pricing of Perfins
- XVII. List of Catalogs (Include availability, prices & reviews)
- XVIII. List of Perfin Organizations (Worldwide)
- XIX. Glossary
- XX. Membership Applications

One way of being involved is to mail your dues check for \$7.00 to Ralph W. Smith, RR 1 - Box 5645, Dryden ME 04225

Fill Ralph Smith's mail box with your dues check. Do it now!

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- A. The Perfins Club
 - B. Other

Attached to but not part of the pamphlet (Available to Members only)

Up-to-date lists of:

- Officers of all Clubs Known
- Perfins Club Library Listing
- Perfins Club Membership List
- Perfins Club By-Laws

COIL STAMPS

Harry Rickard, U.S. Catalog Editor
1887 Altozano Dr., El Cajon, CA 92020

Among the many specialty collecting areas of perfins, coil stamps are one. Probably not as wide spread as sheet stamps they include: Black Hardings, 1902 issues, air mails, etc. It is possibly due to the fact that not very many users took advantage of coil stamps. They were not practical for multi-head perforators, hence their use was generally restricted to holders of single die devices.



The pattern illustrated to the left is C97, made by the Consolidated Dental Manufacturing Company of New York. Their branch office patterns bear the usual control holes. What is unusual about this particular copy? When I first saw it, my impression was that it was a straight edged copy. That initial impression because coil stamps are rarely seen. Upon checking the stamp, I found it to be Scott #355, a fairly scarce coil item.

A survey conducted several years ago included an entry for coil stamp patterns. Upon checking the listing, I noted no copies of Scott #355 reported. For this issue the smallest size coil contained 500 stamps, so there is a possibility that there are another 499 copies of this 5 cent value out there somewhere.

Coil stamps are tricky to perforate due to gum curling. By laying a strip of stamps on a desk and feeding it into the perforator, it can be managed somewhat easier. Whether or not the person who produced this copy had discovered an easy way to produce the punctured copies, we will never know. At least they seem to be scarce. I'd appreciate hearing from all members having a copy so the listing can be updated. I expect to have several surveys this year and I hope that all members will participate. What areas do you want surveyed?

Catalog Number 384 Net Price	Catalog Number Net Price	Catalog Number Net Price	Catalog Number Net Price	Catalog Number Net Price

P-16

Catalog Number 410 Net Price	Catalog Number Net Price	Catalog Number 119 Net Price	Catalog Number Net Price	Catalog Number Net Price	Catalog Number Net Price

CONSTRUCTION OF YOUR OWN ALBUM

Larry Moriarty (#1689), 48 Belview Drive, Rochester, NY 14609

This page illustrates a portion of two photocopies of pages out of my personal album for Hungarian perfins. To make the album I used an approval sheet, cut out pieces of black construction paper and hinged the pieces in each space. This was used as a "camera ready" copy by a printer who charged \$20.00 per thousand. The next time I have this done I will block out the "Net Price."

Catalog Number 95 Net Price	Catalog Number Net Price	Catalog Number 122 Net Price	Catalog Number Net Price

Catalog Number Net Price	Catalog Number Net Price	Catalog Number Net Price

The upper right hand space on each page was left blank in the printing and as I find a perfin listed in *The Perfins of Hungary* by Vojtech Maxa, I duplicate his illustration, cut it out and hinge it into the open space. In addition the left hand column of each page is also left clear.

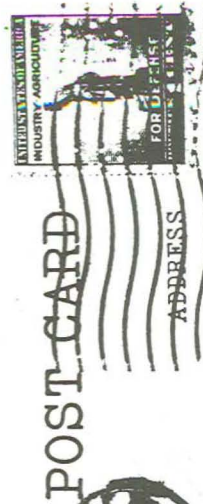
The top page reproduced shows the general layout using Maxa perfin G-29 on Scott Catalogue number 384. Not shown is this perfin on other stamps on subsequent rows. The next page shown is used for Maxa number P-16 and you may note that the 50 filler value (Scott Catalogue Number 119) is in the upper row with the 1, 2K, etc. (Scott Catalogue Numbers 122, 123, etc.) following. The left hand column has a hinged unperfin stamp to provide the illustration. This permits me to display copies of perfins in several positions, etc.



MISS MATILDA FROSTBITE

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Helen Ratzler, 400 A Park Avenue, Highland Park, IL 60035 submitted the International Silver Company advertising card with a split perfin. 191.1 on it. It is down right corny, and a trifle dated considering the 1942 post mark. I have empathy for Matilda since I never heard of Sterling Inlaid Silverplate either!

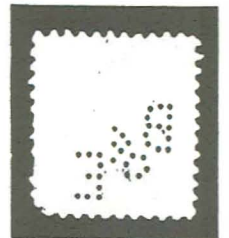


*I can't figure it out.
Our advertising card was in
the whole field. But
we missed Matilda.
She is the only company
female I know of
who hasn't heard
of Sterling Inlaid
Silverplate.*

*Mr. J.E. Herra
Paris
Ill.*

*E. F. Husley
Your Holmes & Edwards
Representative*

Anyone having B181 on Washington/Franklin issues, will probably find it does not match catalog photo. Pictured copy will be new B181A and is from Joseph Laura. Pattern is a bit larger than later B181.



THE SECRETARY'S REPORT

THE SECRETARY IS RALPH W. SMITH, RR 1 - BOX 5645, DRYDEN, ME 04225

NEW MEMBERS:

- 2532 Lewis, Dan J.: 2351 North Mill Box 13, Lewisville, TX 75067
Beginner. By: Smith
- 2533 Traquair, R.S.: 53 Summerhill Avenue, Toronto, Ontario, Canada
M4T 1A9
Worldwide By: Smith
- 2534 Faircloth, Jeff M.: 9540 Park Ave. South, Bloomington, MN 55420
Canada and World By: Kunavich
- 2535 Wall, George: 5741 Ainsworth Drive, Montgomery, AL 36117
German Beginner. By: Ratzer
- 2536 Hoffman, Glenn A.: 450 Entrada Drive, Apt 31, Novato, CA 94947
German Beginner. By: Ratzer
- 2537 Paine, W. Winston: Post Office Drawer 2355, Corrales, MN 87048
Beginner By: Hoyt
- 2538 Durbano, Patrick D.: 34 Dennis Avenue, Toronto, Ontario, Canada
M6N 2T6
Canada and General By Brown #1912
- 2539 Sandy, Alan: 614 Forest Drive, Sebastopol, CA 95472
Britain (Victoria and Edward). By: Ratzer

ADDRESS CHANGES:

- 2453 Vorhis, Robert C.: 1560 Stonleigh Hill Road, Lithonia, GA 30058
- L111 Mistretta, Paul A.: 722 Indian Manor Court, Stone Mountain, GA
30083
- 2010 Kunavich, DPCM Ronald G. CM/C.; USS O'Brien DD-975,
FFO, San Francisco, CA 96674
- 53L Marlowe, Monroe: P.O. Box 2877, Van Nuys, CA 91404

SUMMARY:

Members as of February 28, 1987	793
New Members	<u>+ 8</u>
Members as of March 31, 1987	801



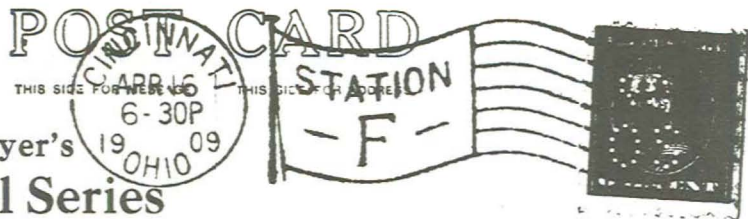
I tried matching five early perf 12 and one perf 11 of N80 on the pictured NF pattern. All showed that last hole of N diagonal, both of F bar and last three of F top as not mating catalog photo.

Advise if you have a similar non-fit copy and Scott number. This one is from Joe Laura's old collection acquisition.

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THIS IS NUMBER 4

Watch for Number 5

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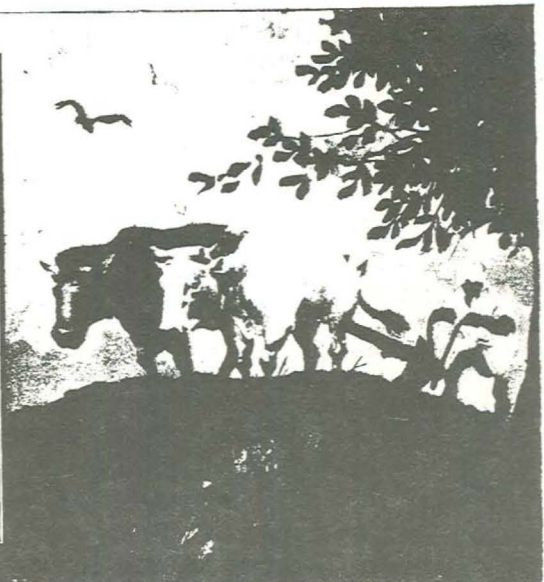
Delphos

An example of an early
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Obermayer's "SO/Co"
perfin. Thanks to
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MI 48864



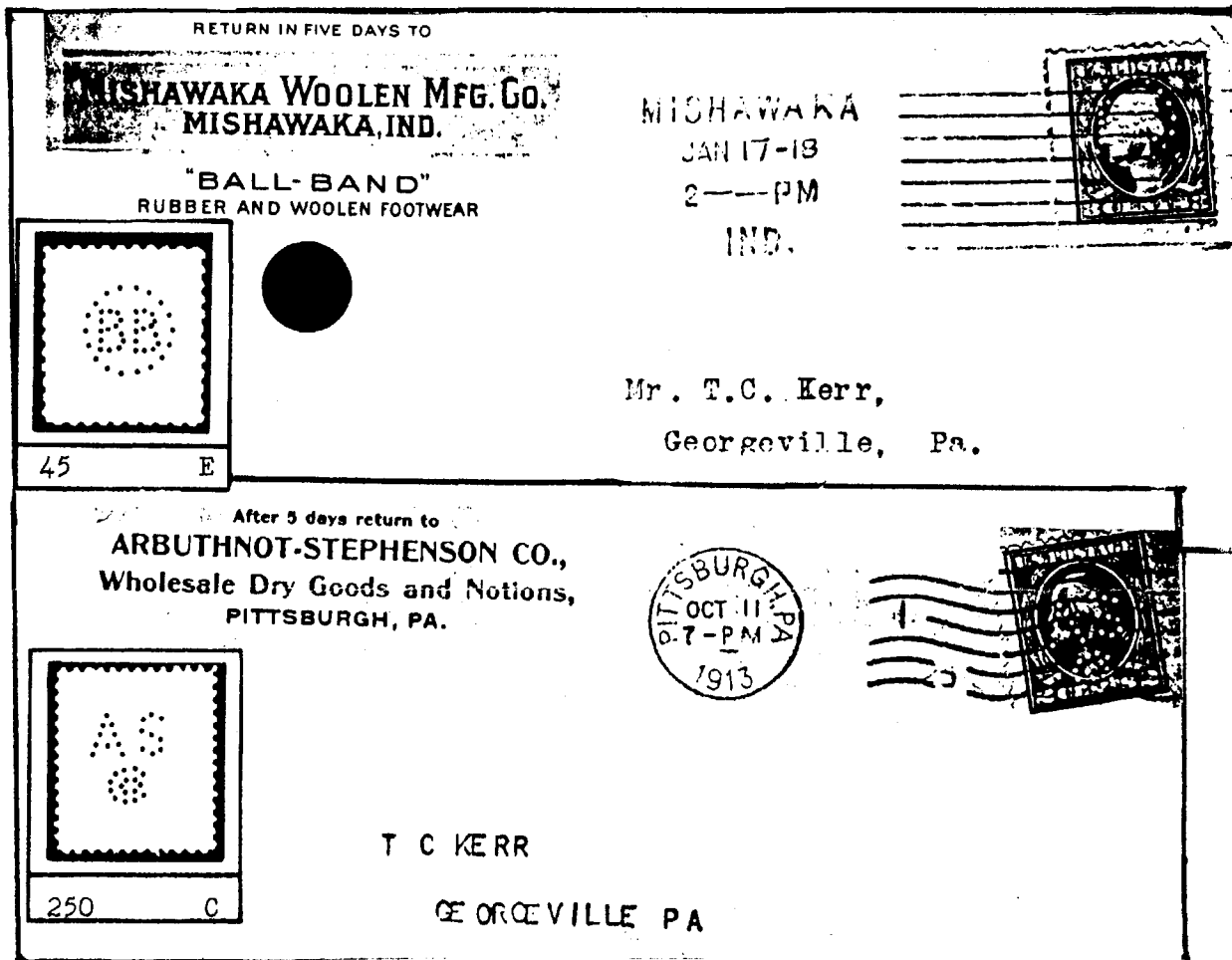
The Conquest of the Earth

Man only conquered Mother Earth, and by virtue of that gained leisure, and as a result culture, when he first employed iron as a plow for tilling the soil. Before then life was a drudgery and his daily food uncertain.



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T.C. KERR COVERS

Harry Rickard, U.S. Catalog Editor
1887 Altozano Drive, El Cajon CA 92020

The covers illustrated are a portion of a find made by member Jim Catterick (#2094); 210 Steeles Avenue West #2102, Brampton, ONT. Canada L6Y 2K3. Future bulletins will show other portions of this find that are of interest.

Patterns A250 and B45 are on covers addressed to T.C. Kerr. It is presumed that Kerr had a dry goods store as both mailers were in that type of business. Arbuthnot-Stephenson I remember from my long ago, Pittsburgh days.

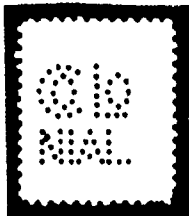
Note that Mishawaka Woolens also carried rubber goods which was marketed under the brand name "Ball-Brand." That explains the B45 pattern. However, how did U.S. Rubber receive credit as the user of the "BB" pattern.

Since Mishawaka needed rubber to make their "Ball-Band" products, they probably did business with, or contacted U.S. Rubber, and had sent perfinned stamps for a reply. This has happened many times with other wrongly identified users. However, without the letter's contents it is not proven.

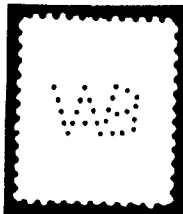
A cautionary note to those making copies of covers. If possible use a machine having a light-dark setting. Make a trial copy on "light." The A250 cover was on a paper that shows up dark on copies. When received, it was all black, I lightened the entire envelope and blocked out other portions.

POTENTIAL NEW VARIETIES TO LOOK FOR

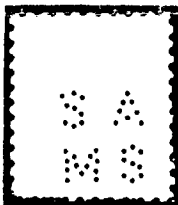
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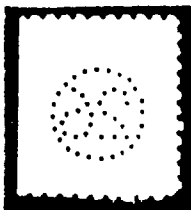
Among several patterns sent in by member Douglas Cutler (#2113) for checking was this attractive copy of C250. It did not match the catalog pattern and surprisingly, my copy also did not fit either. Is yours a match of C250 or of this C250A copy?



Bob Foley (#1340) manages to come up with new patterns quite frequently. I thought we had about all of the Burpee patterns listed until he came up with the one pictured which did not match any of the existing patterns. Give a try with your copies on this one and see what you come up with.



Anyone with a copy of S35, please compare it with the catalog picture. The illustrated copy does not match "M" and "S". An inspection of this copy looks as though it may be a die variety. Spacing of the "S" top and the legs of the "M" seem to be poorly aligned. Are any other copies this way?



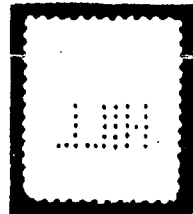
Imagine my surprise when checking this Number 18 with the catalog and I could not get a good fit. When the circle fitted, the "26" did not. Then, when I matched the "26", the circle did not match. It is on an early 4 cent perf 10. Anyone else have a non-match like this potential number 19.

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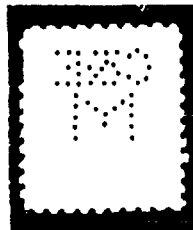
This picture which could be either "AM" or "MA", is not illustrated in the catalog. It is doubtful that it would have an additional letter adjoining because of the size. It is possible for a lower letter to have been lost. Measurements show none that fit.



I would like owners of "HILL" patterns to see if their copies will fit this copy or the catalog illustration of H91. My fittings have shown a slight difference in width of this and the catalog pattern. Copies seem to all be on early 2 cent denominations. Possibly started with a single die and then shifted to a multiple die.



If you are fortunate enough to have a copy of C393, please check it with the catalog picture and this illustration. I found this copy would not match "M" if "C&E" mated. Similarly, when "M" fitted, the "C&E" would not match. Let me know your results. I believe this will be a new C393.5.



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JFL.

PERFINS AND PRECANCELS

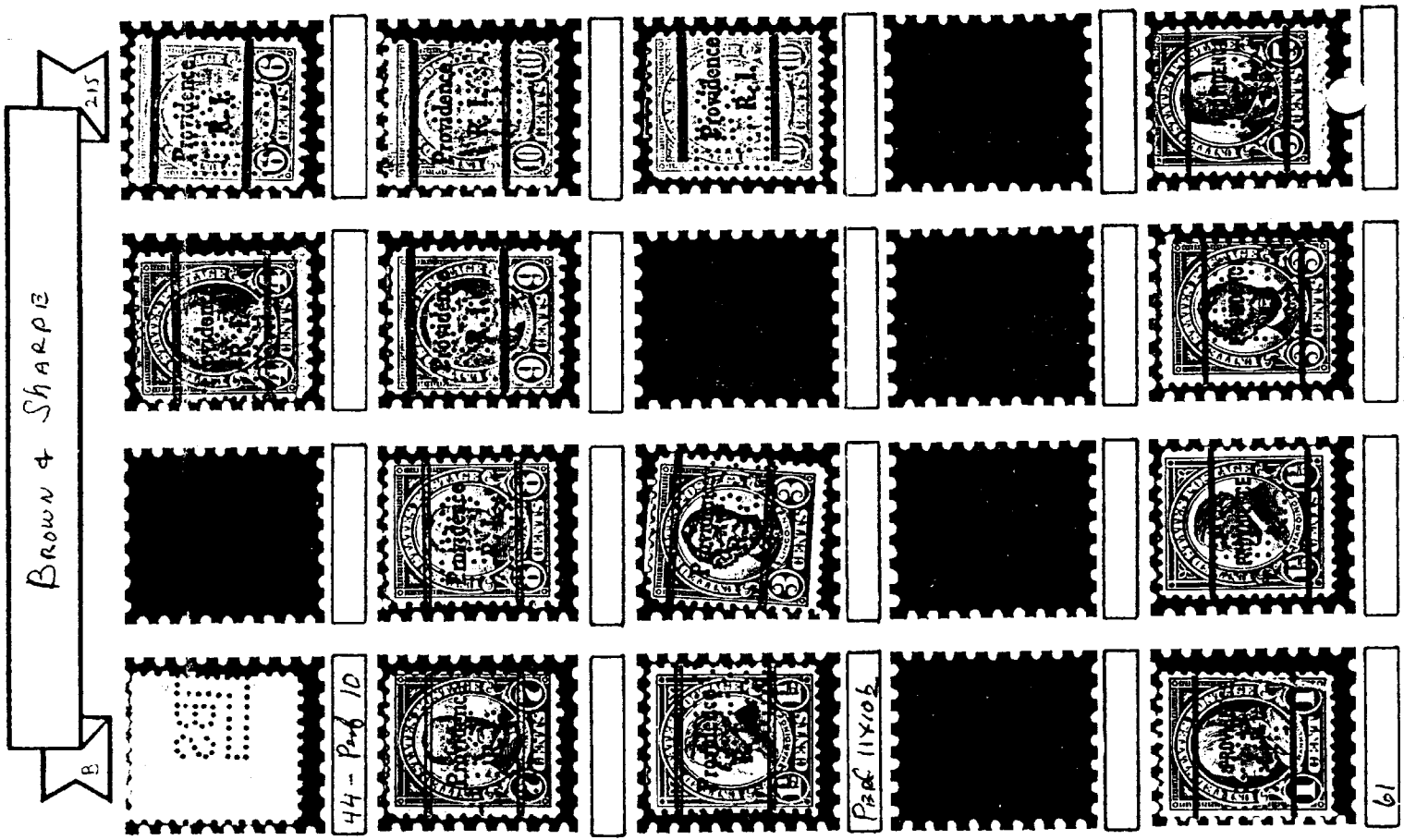
Harry Rickard, U.S. Catalog Editor, 1887 Altozano, El Cajon, CA 92020

When an avid precancel collector takes to perfins, does that mean he will be giving up his original love? Probably not and assuredly not in the case of our member, Joseph Laura, Jr. (#1238). For years, Joe was a collector and dealer of precancels. After taking up his new hobby of perfins, it just worked out fine as many perfins were also precanceled.

He sent about a dozen pages on which he had mounted the various styles of precanceled perfins in their denominations and different Scott Catalogue numbers. One of the pages, for Brown & Sharp, is illustrated.

I believe that Joe would like to get something going form members who have an interest in both perfins and precancels. Why don't you drop him a line and become acquainted? Tell him your collecting interests and how you mount your collection. It is more fun in a crowd and you don't go it alone. Joe's address is:

Joseph Laura, Jr.
P.O. Box 249
West Wareham, MA 02576



INTENSIVE COLLECTING (Continued)



W629.2 "W.R./&Co"
User unknown

One of the interesting aspects of "Intensive Collecting" (See TPB, February 1987, pp 21-23) concerns the fact that the penny red with letters in all four corners (i.e., Scott Catalogue Number 33) was in use for the ordinary first class letter rate when Joseph Sloper was awarded his patent. If one considers all of the possible plates and positions there are an astounding number of combinations which may exist with perfins. Illustrated here are some twenty two perfins on penny reds. These are from the collection of Mr. John McGee who is not a member of the Perfins Club. In fact Mr. McGee does not collect perfins. He collects penny reds.

These perfins were acquired without spending a cent (or penny if you will.) Mr. McGee acquires all of his material by trading. Ah, you say, then he has purchased some material which he uses for trading. No, not so. Mr. McGee operates a swap newsletter and a trading club. His commission on trades (in stamps) provides him with the trading material. Should you wish to obtain a copy of the swap newsletter send a large size SASE to: John McGee, P.O. Box 98, Greenbelt, MD 20770. Request the current copy.

The stamps illustrated are identified by their Tilles Catalog Number from *The Perfins of Great Britain* Compiled and edited by Robert McKee and Basil Tomkins, High Point, NC 27262, 1975. Plate (pl) and Position (p) are also given.

1	B23.2	"BASS"	pl 170	p HB	12	H659	"H.SEB."	pl 181	p OE
2	Unlisted	"BBCo/C.S"	pl 122	p HH	13	I220	"I&R/S"	pl 167	p ND
3	B662.1	"BS/&Co"	pl 140	p HJ	14	R487.2	"R&S/M"	pl 158	p HE
4	C25.1	"CAM/RYS"	pl 140	p EJ	15	R489	"R&S/M.L."	pl 122	p EH
5	C96.3	"C&B/SOHO"	pl 181	p ML	16	R368.1	"R&N"	pl 177	p FD
6	C208B	"CD/&Co"	pl 124	p LA	17	S398.2	"S&J"	pl 165	p OL
7	F373	"FSC"	pl 149	p II	18	S642.2	"S.S."	pl 200	p PK
8	G60	"G.B.L/L"	pl 151	p QK	19	S642.3	"S.S."	pl ???	p O?
9	G406	"G.P.L"	pl 146	p FC	20	S642.3	"T&Co"	pl 154	p JL
10	G435.2	"GR/W"	pl 133	p HK	21	W629.2	"W.R/&Co"	pl 197	p AJ
11	H325.5	"H.H./&Co"	pl 171	p FI					

----- FROM PRESIDENT DICK MEWHINNEY

NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR CLUB OFFICERS

President Dick Mewhinney has appointed John L. Needham (LM41), 9801 Dewey Drive, Garden Grove, CA 92641 as the Chairman of this year's Nominating Committee. R.T. Scharlach (#1984) and J.W. Kendall (LM96) also have been appointed to the committee. The office of President will become vacant this year. The term of office is three years. Dick has served two consecutive terms as President and is not seeking renomination because of his other interests and his view to open up the leadership of the Club. Any member wishing to make a nomination please contact John Needham before September 1, 1987.

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HALLOCK CARD AWARD COMMITTEE NAMED

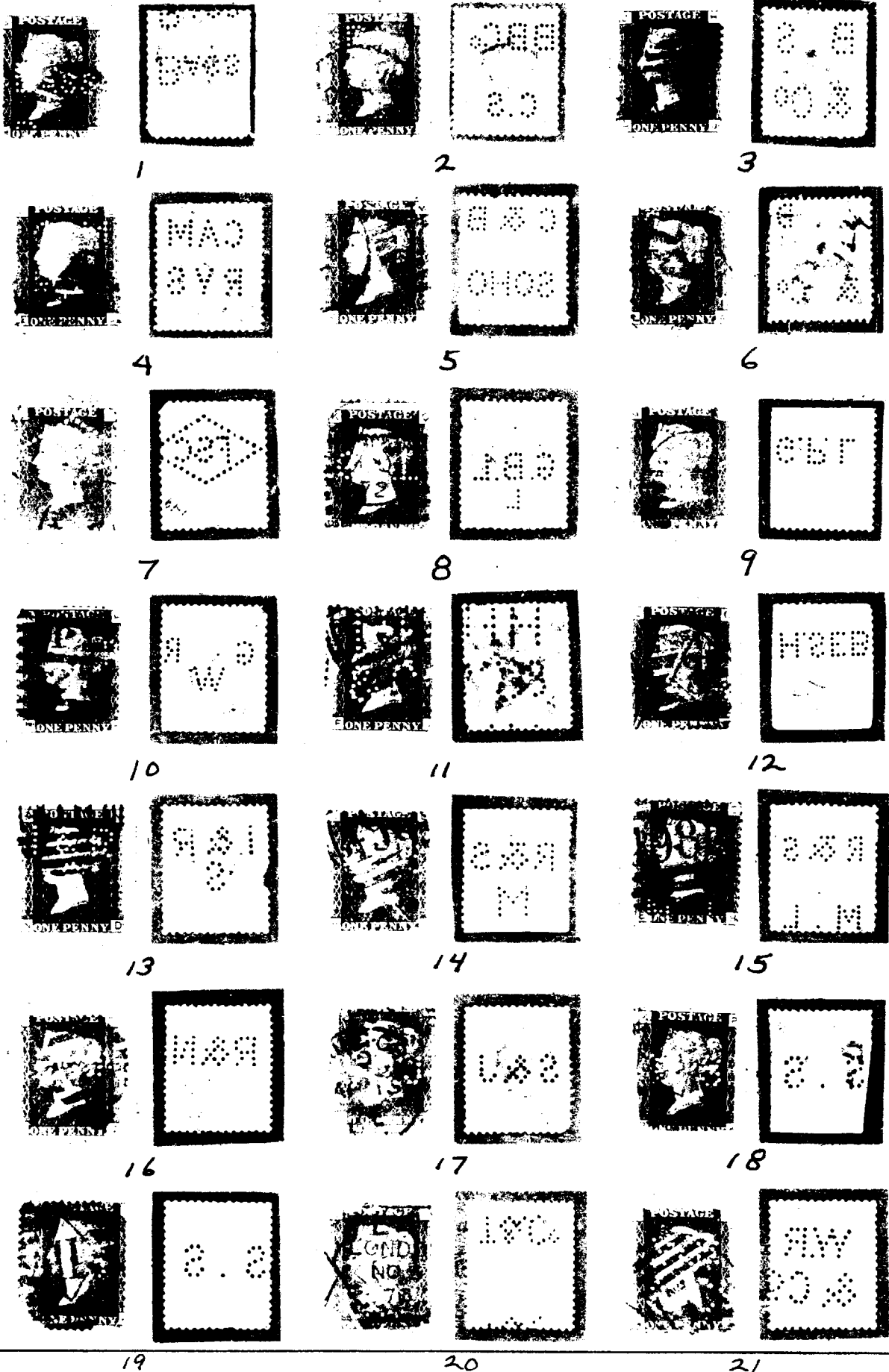
Paul A. Mistretta (LM111), winner of the 1986 Hallock Card Award was named a Chairman to propose this year's award winner. Dorothy (Savage) Hazard (LM92) and Joe J. Balough (#497) were also named to the committee. This award is presented annually to the member of the Club who has made a significant contribution to the Club and to the hobby of perfin philately. If you wish to nominate a Club member for this honor please contact Paul Mistretta at 722 Indian Manor Court, Stone Mountain, GA 30083.

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1986-1987 DUES ARE OVERDUE

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Illustrations for Intensive Collecting Continued...



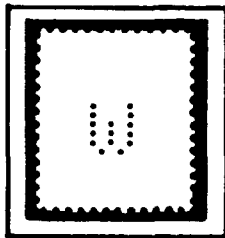
ILLINOIS PRECANCELLED PERFINS

Helen Ratzler, 400 A Park Avenue, Highland Park, IL 60035

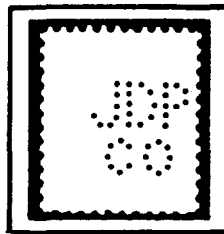
In January of 1972, Alex G. Findlay of Staten Island, NY, issued a 13 page check list of "Perfin Precancels" used in the United States. The listing for Illinois indicated 196 different perfin patterns as having been used on stamps precancelled from a total of 20 different Illinois towns. Chicago accounted for 148 of the listed items. The city of Chicago is also considered as a "town" by precancel collectors and song writers. In the later case its a "Toddling Town."

Since 1972, Mr. Findlay has passed away, a new United States Perfin Catalog was published in 1979, and pages of additions and corrections to the U.S. Perfin Catalog were issued in 1982, 1985, and 1986. With all of these updates there have been quite a few additions to the number of Illinois precancelled perfins. My inspection lists an additional 72 Chicago perfin patterns as having shown up. East Chicago and Joliet show two new styles and Carbondale, Centralia, Elgin, and Quincy one each. This gives a grand total of at least 276 perfin patterns reported to have appeared on Illinois precancels. I have never seen a listing of the precancel types which have been perfined. Obviously a major user, say from Chicago, could have used his device on a large number of Chicago town-types. Nor do I have any idea as to the Scott Catalogue Numbers of such stamps that are out there in the hands of collectors. Such information would be helpful in determining what firms used some of the yet unknown perfin patterns.

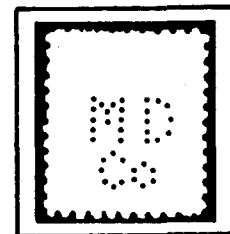
Of the Illinois precancelled perfin patterns, the users of 24 from Chicago have not yet been identified. Patterns of the unidentified users from towns other than Chicago are shown below:



Elgin
W2.5



Moline
J29



Quincy
M95

The Elgin pattern is quite rare and is similar to a pattern which has shown up on Philadelphia precancels. The Philadelphia pattern has six holes in the outer arms of the "W" and five holes in the middle arm. The Moline pattern might be John Deere Plow Company, but this is conjecture. I have no idea as to the Quincy pattern but I have it with a type 201 precancel on the 50 cent issue of 1917.

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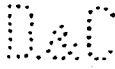
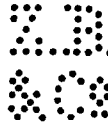

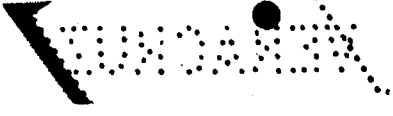
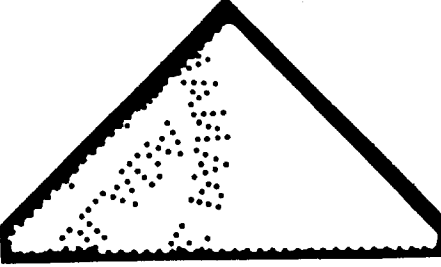


The following page (reverse blank) is Additions and Corrections (A&C) #4 to the World Perfins Catalog. A&C #5 was published in the June 1987 issue. A&C pages #6 to the World Perfins catalog has been completed and it will be published in the September 1987 issue.

Bob Schwerdt, Foreign Catalog Editor, thanks all of those individuals who have provided materials and assistance in producing A&C pages to the World Catalog.

Additions and Corrections to the World Perfins Catalog - 4

The "SPECIMEN COLUMBIAN BANK NOTE CO. CHICAGO" is found on other fiscal stamps of Guatamala including tobacco tax stamps.

An identity has been found for "UDCO^oL^d". It is UNION DISCOUNT COMPANY OF LONDON, LIMITED. This is British Perfin U62A See W.P.C. Brazil B11, Chile Fiscal, Colombia B2, Cuba B5, and Mexico B9.

	ARGENTINA A122 (Better Photo)		ARGENTINA C1.5 (Wider Spacing)
 Tracing	BRAZIL A4.5		Brazil B13 Zerrenner Bulow & Cia. Forbin #99
	MEXICO A8 Variety (Possible code holes) (Or double strike)		MEXICO B39.1 ADUANAS Vera Cruz
	PANAMA B1 Overprint suggests this is a Fiscal stamp used for telegraph Fees		URUGUAY A4.5 Scott #67
	Anulada Perfin		

PAGE'S "Perfins of Great Britain"

The illustration shows is a portion of 2 of the 75 page computerized catalog listing of the "Perfins of Great Britain" produced by Larry and Mary Page (LM44).

It is necessary to use the total number of pages advisably, since this document is the product of ongoing research and hence it is growing.

It is the result of an intense effort by Mary and her husband, Larry who provided the computer support. There is a great deal of information contained in this automated base and the data shown are provided for each of the British perfins in their extensive collection. Column headers are listed in the Table below.

Larry uses "NUTSHELL" by Leading Edge. A DOS compatible, it requires 256K, DOS 2.1 or 320K DOS 3.1/2. According to Larry the program is "...extremely viable, user friendly, and satisfactory for any general data base need. It will accept 236 horizontal and essentially a limited by computer capability vertical.

PR - PRefix - a column used for sorting multiple entry lines of the "DESCRIPTION/REMARKS" column, and provides a method for determining the total quantity of perfin types in the listing.

SC/No.- Scott Catalogue Number.

SU/FX - SUffIX - a column used to present Scott Catalogue suffix numbers or letters (e.g., 629A or 167b), or to present a set or series of stamps (e.g., 179-181).

QTY - Quantity

COND - Condition, EF, F, VF, G, etc.

SC \$/ - Scott Catalogue Value. While these data are EACH not complete at present, it is only a matter of data entry.

SC \$/ - Extension of the above line
EXT

G/R/P - Group - a column used to sort: 1 - Designs, 2 - Numbers, 3 - "I don't know", and A through Z.

N/R - New/Revised - a column used to show N for a new listing or R1, R2, etc. to show a revision level
R
E
V

0 - In this column a number 1 or 0 is used for each line of a "NOT in CATALOG" entry.

PERFIN- Tilles Catalog Number
 CAT NO.
 PRE-SUF Prefix.Suffix

PERFIN - A description of the design or listing of the
 DESIGN/ letters
 INITIALS

DESCRIPTION/
 REMARKS - Includes comments such as missing pins,
 cancels. Provides a full description
 including measurements of items not in the
 Tilles Catalog.

This effort on the part of Mary and Larry has already proved useful to the Perfins Society of Great Britain in their compilation of a new Great Britain Perfins Catalog.

Additional details may be obtained by writing directly to the Pages. The address is Mary and Larry Page, 2810 SE 35th. Street, Ocala, FL 32671. Be sure to include a #10 SASE.

PERFINS OF GREAT BRITAIN

ORIGINAL 01DEC86 REV -

PAGE 2

COUNTRY: GREAT BRITAIN				N/R		IN GENERAL, A "QTY" OF 2+ ARE LOW VALUE STAMPS SC 2 127 & UP UNLESS NOTED, eg. YEAR 1902/UP. MOST COMMEN's ARE LISTED SEPARATELY.					
SC PR	SU NO.	FX	QTY	COND	SC \$ EACH	SC \$ EXT	R P	R E	PERFIN CAT NO. PRE-SUF	PERFIN DESIGN / INITIALS	DESCRIPTION / REMARKS
2	664						2	0	0.20	4999/H	(Cont.) CB=22, VEF=4, VCG=15, "H" CENTERED BELOW "4999"
1	754		1	F		0.00	2	1	0.21	8949/1	NOT IN CAT. 10,10,9,10/5 w .75MM PINS, AB=4.5, CD=4, EF=1.5,
2	754						2	0	0.21	8949/1	(Cont.) CB=22, VEF=4, VCG=15, "1" IS 6MM LEFT OF CENTER
	499		1	EF		0.00	2		2.	05/18	
			2	VF		0.00	2		7.	10	SC #'s 187, 188
			3	VF		0.00	2		8.	106	SC #'s 296, 297
	235		1	F		0.00	2		9.1	11	
	89		1	F		0.00	2		10.	1.2.3	SQUARE CIRCLE "CHAR?????????.C/JY 2??/84" PARTIAL CANCEL
			11	VF		0.00	2		13.1	18	1952-54 DEFINITIVE SERIES STAMPS
			14	F-VF		0.00	2		17.1	22/CSC	SEVERAL LONDON CANCELS, YEARS "03 THRU 08"
	113		1	F	1.00	1.00	2		17.1	22/CSC	
	160		1	F		0.00	2		27.1	34	
	84		1	F	7.50	7.50	2		41.	533/TH	PLATE # 17
	84		1	F	7.50	7.50	2		42.	533/T.H	PLATE # 17, "W.C/3" NUMBER CANCEL

QTY SUB TOTAL 58 SC \$ SUB TOTAL 16.00 SC \$ EXT SUB TOTAL 16.00

1							3	0			THIS GROUP (3) IS TO LIST PERFINS NOT IDENTIFIABLE AND WITHOUT
2							3	0			(Cont.) TILLES CAT NO.s. ASSUMPTIONS ARE MADE AND DESCRIBED.
3							3	0			(Cont.) DESIGN/INITIALS COLUMN DATA WILL BE REFINED IN THIS COLUMN
1	104		1	VF	42.50	42.50	3	1	0	?./&Co.	.25+ PINS, TOP LINE=2 PINS, 3PINS WITH CD's OF 3,3,5, EF=2, CB=8,
2	104						3	0	0	?./&Co.	(Cont.) VEF=3, BOTTOM LINE=15,8,8, AB=4.5,4,2.5, CD=5,3,2.5,
3	104						3	0	0	?./&Co.	(Cont.) CB=14.5, "X"=TYIIIb w 10 PINS PUNCHED, ROOFED CIRCLE
4	104						3	0	0	?./&Co.	(Cont.) "LONDON,E.C./X/BAR/NO 22 84/BAR/F" CANCEL
1	112		1	F	.50	.50	3	1	0	HCIN/O/LSON	NOT IN CAT, VERTICAL ROWS, "??HCIN/??O/??LSON" ASSUMED, PINS =.25MM

COUNTRY: GREAT BRITAIN				N/R				IN GENERAL, A "QTY" OF 2+ ARE LOW VALUE STAMPS SC 3 127 & UP UNLESS NOTED, eg. YEAR 1902/UP. MOST COMMENTS ARE LISTED SEPARATELY.	
SC SU	SC \$	SC \$	G	R	PERFIN	PERFIN	PERFIN	PERFIN	DESCRIPTION / REMARKS
PR NO. FX	QTY	COND	EACH	EXT	R	E	V O	PRE-SUF	DESIGN / INITIALS
162	1	F		0.00	A			62A.	A.B./Co.
114	1	EF		0.00	A			63.	A/B&Co
161	1	EF		0.00	A			71.	AB/L
161	1	VF		0.00	A			77.	A.B./Ltd..
162	1	VF		0.00	A			80A.	Abol
235	1	EF		0.00	A			81.	AB/P
307	1	EF		0.00	A			83.	A/BROS
	2	VF		0.00	A			101.4	AC
	14	F-VF		0.00	A			101.5	AC
	2	VF		0.00	A			101.5b	AC
	3	F-VF		0.00	A			101.9	AC
159	1	F		0.00	A			102.1	A.C
89	1			0.00	A			102.3	A.C
128	1	F		0.00	A			108.1	AC/Co
195	1	EF		0.00	A			108.4	AC/Co
237	1	F		0.00	A			111.	ACD
	3	VF		0.00	A			113.	AC/F
	3	F-VF		0.00	A			115.1	AC/GW
308	1	VF		0.00	A			116B.	AC/L
160	1	F		0.00	A			117.1	A.C/L
	5	F-VF		0.00	A			120.1	AC/Ld
132	1	VF	1.25	1.25	A			121.1	AC/LD
	2	F-VF		0.00	A			121.2	AC/LD
153	1	VF		0.00	A			125.	A&C/N
	6	F-VF		0.00	A			128.2	A&Co
137	2	VF	12.50	25.00	A			128.2	A&Co
	9	F-VF		0.00	A			129.	A&/Co
136	1	F	14.00	14.00	A			130.1	A/Co
	8	F-VF		0.00	A			130.3	A/Co
	2	VF	12.50	25.00	A			130.4	A/Co
	7	F-VF		0.00	A			130.4	A/Co
	8	F-VF		0.00	A			130.6	A/Co
	4	F-VF		0.00	A			131.2	A/Co.
89	1	VF		0.00	A			135.1	A&C/Ld
113	1	F	1.25	1.25	A			135.1	A&Co/Ld
	5	F-VF		0.00	A			135.4	A&Co/Ld

DBLCIR "LONDON/6.PM/MR 7/01" CANCEL

DBLCIR "PADDOCK????, KE??/7.15.PM/20 SP/34" CANCEL

161 HAS DBLCIR "LONDON, 31 /6.15. PM/20 AP/20" CANCEL

DBLCIR "DEWSBORNE, 1 /8. PM/MR 15/13" CANCEL

131 HAS ROOFED CIRCLE "LONDON/L 2d/7.30PM/JU2308/2" CANCEL
HZTL PAIR, ROOFED CIRCLE "LONDON/Id/AP27 06/1" CANCEL

89 HAS ROOFED CIRCLE "LONDON.E.C./??5PM/BAR/?? MY 00/BAR/F" CANCEL

111 HAS ROOFED CIRCLE "LONDON.E.C./4.15PM/BAR/MY 5 98/BAR/X5" CANCEL

DBLCIR "GLASGOW, 159 /2 *7DE 10/90" CANCEL
GLASGOW STRAIGHT LINE CANCEL

LONLIEST PERFIN COLLECTOR

Helen G. Ratzler (LM47), 400-A Park Avenue, Highland Park, IL 60035

I might suggest that vacations be planned for the following states -- stamp dealers must have lots of perfins with no or very few customers.

State with no members: Alaska

States with one member: MS J.R. Cain of Gulfport
MT Robert Kellenberger of Kalispell
UT Joseph C. Murin of Salt Lake City
NV H.M. Palmer of Las Vegas

States with two members: AL, KY, SD, ID, and OK

States with three members: RI, WV, NH, and HI

States with four members: DC and GA

The Handbook of Polish Perfins in G. Britain: 1980-1985; by W.Z.L. Nowicki; Copernicana Ltd., 40 Ansell Road, London SW17-7LS, England; 8.3x11.7 inches, force fit plastic strip binding, 48 pages; \$10.00 postpaid to the United States.

In 1980, the Polish Philatelists Association in the United Kingdom started to use perfins on the definitive stamps of Great Britain as a means of safeguarding and distinguishing the official souvenir postcards issued in connection with their exhibitions. Initially stamps perforated with the initials of the organization's name in Polish were used. This perfin, with the letter "F" over the letters "SP", for Stowarzyszenie Filatelistow Polskich w Zjednoczonym Krolestwie is categorized by the author as the "SFP" rather than the more traditional "F/SP" used by perfin collectors. The remaining perfins reported are listed in the more traditional manner, except that no "/" is used to indicate lines (e.g., JP II vice JP/II.) (See Illustration.) During the five year period covered by the book a total of thirteen different perfin designs were used to commemorate various historical and philatelic events associated with Polish culture.

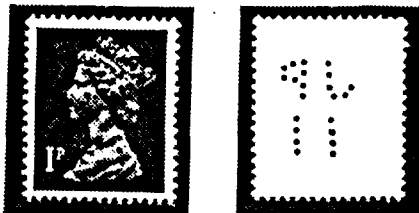
1st - perfin
S F P



Issued 4th July 1980

To commemorate the founding of the Polish Philatelists Association in United Kingdom.

2nd - perfin
J P II



Issued 28th May 1982

To commemorate the United Kingdom visit of Pope John Paul II.

Although the bulk of perfins were used on commemorative postcards associated with philatelic and Polish cultural events some stamps were used on the correspondence of a number of Polish organizations in the United Kingdom and the perfins were also put on sale to members of the Polish Philatelists Association (UK) and the Polish Philatelic Federation (UK) for their collections. Coupled with the fact that definitives from 1/2 p to £5.00 were punched, these perfins are liable to be found with a great variety of corner cards and postmarks. The Handbook thus represents the definitive treatment of these thirteen perfins and their official usage at various events and will be invaluable for identification purposes.

The Handbook is profusely illustrated with copies of the exhibition postcards and stamps that were perforated with each of the designs. Unfortunately, the quality of the reproduction process used leaves something to be desired. Four pages are devoted to illustrating the front and rear of each of the thirteen designs on 1p definitives. The perfin design is the clearest on the illustration of the back of the stamp. As a result a mirror image of the design is the clearest one shown. One can only wish that the author had made photographic contact prints so that the designs would be shown correctly.

A small printing of 250 copies is planned for the first edition. It is hoped that the author will correct the reproduction problem, provide the measurement of the designs in mm as is customary and correct the typographic errors which are the only detractions from this important work about perfins. JFL

**SAN FRANCISCO BUREAU PRINT
NUMBER (P55) REVISED**

Harry Rickard (#1802), U.S. Catalog Editor, 1887 Altozano, El
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For several years, my album had San Francisco bureau prints precancels in spaces for P55 on page 346 and for P55 on page 364 (Park Davis Company Branches). Since page 364 lists P55 as precanceled for Detroit, MI, you may ask why? Because the stamp fitted the catalog prints.



P55



P55-12



P55

Recently, Joseph Laura (#1238) sent a number of potential new varieties to me for examination. Among them were two copies of "PD" patterns with Detroit MI precancels. They did not match the catalog's P55 illustration. Then, I knew the correct photos could replace the San Francisco copies.

Look for copies precancelled Detroit or possibly a copy without any precancel, they will fit photo. Your San Francisco precancelled "PD" will now carry their own identification as P55-12.

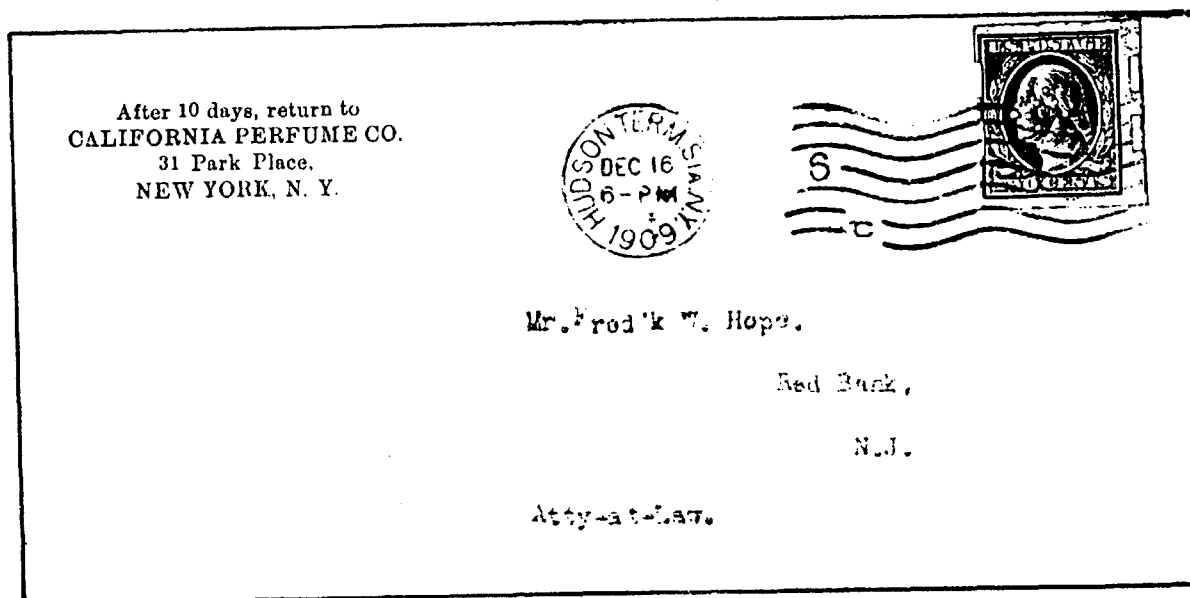
EXPERIMENTAL SCHERMACK ON COVER

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At a recent stamp show in Boston MA, an enterprising collector was looking for Schermacks on cover for an exhibit he was making. Little did he believe that he might find the illustrated gem. It is the only Experimental known on cover, if the catalog listing is correct.

The most unusual thing about this is that the budding exhibitor was not a perfins collector, He had purchased a Schermack perfin collection to exhibit with other Schermacks and went shopping at the stamp show for an Experimental cover to go with his stamp.

Perhaps, this may make perfin collectors aware of the fact that it pays to visit and inquire about covers from all stamp dealers.



DID YOU KNOW?

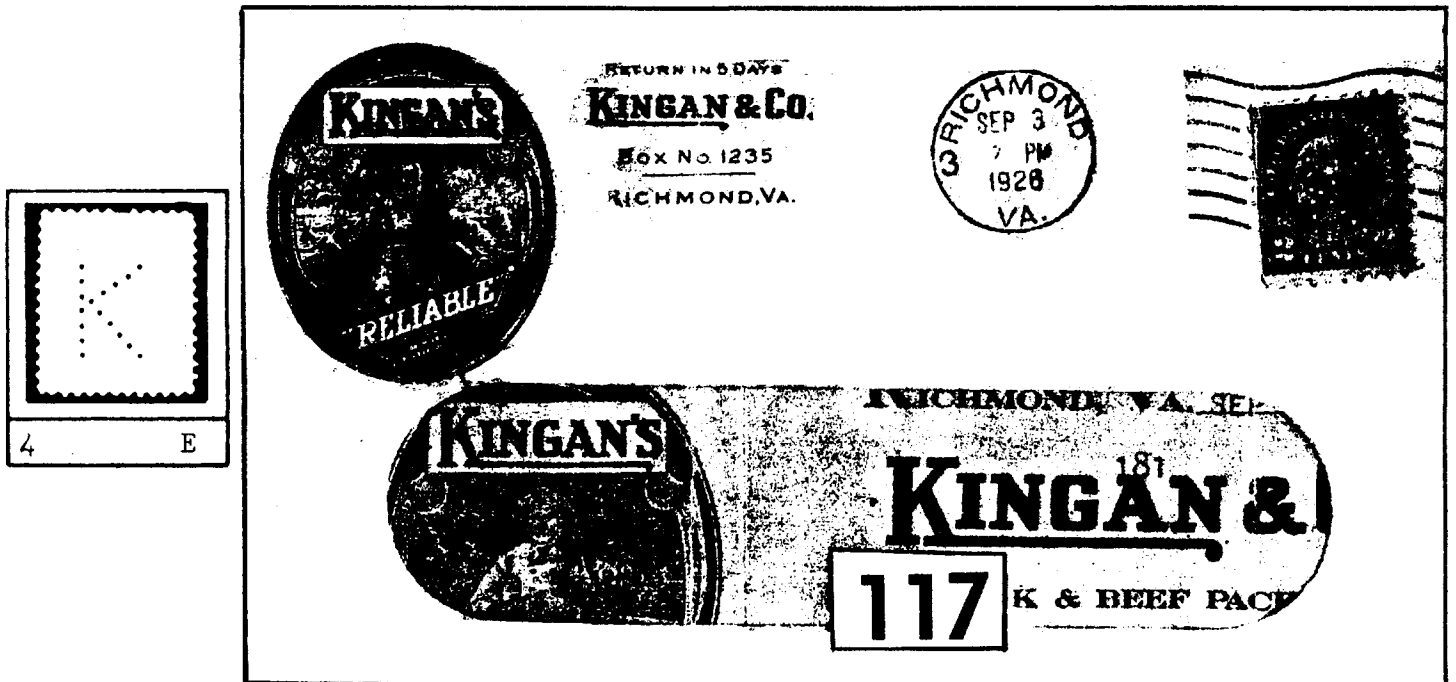
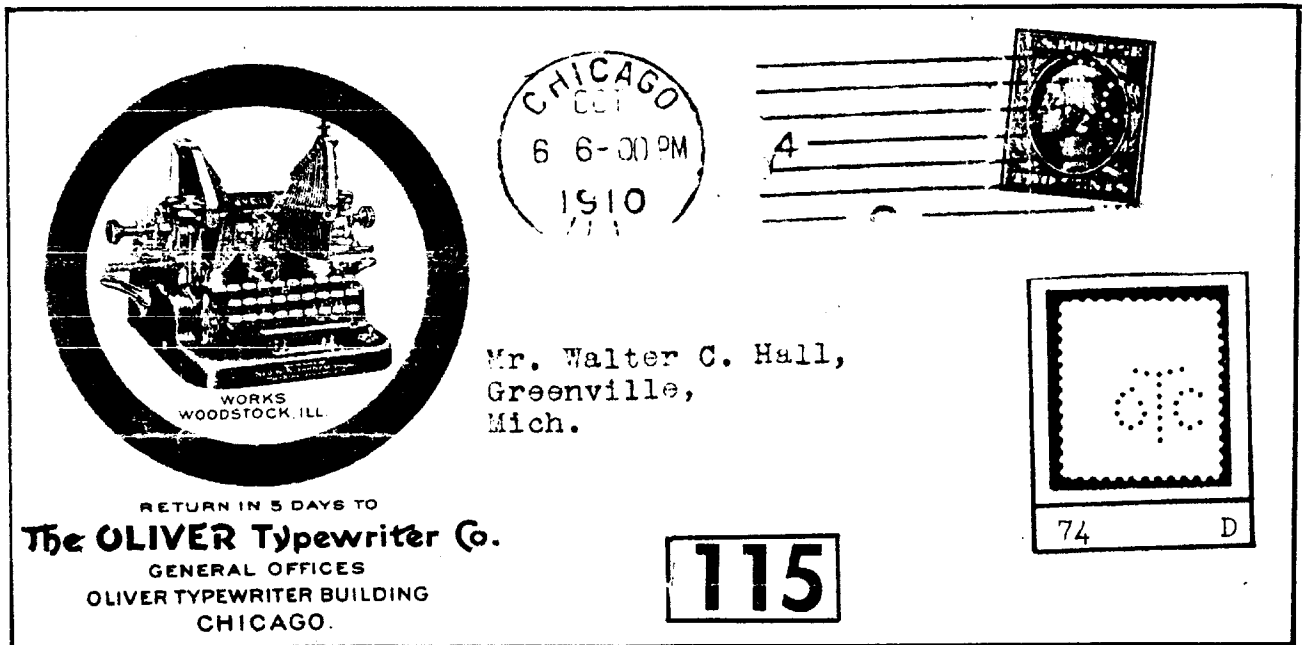
One member that doesn't just collect Perfins is: Colonel Romeo J. Routhier who according to the *American Legion* happens to be a "National Committeeman for the Panama Canal District". He is also Service Officer of American Legion Post #1 of Guatemala City. AND - According to the *Quetzal* is the Vice President of the Guatemala Stamp Society.

COVERS AND PRICES

The Sunbelt Cover and Stamp Co., sold these two covers to a club member at their Spring auction. They had made the Xerox pictures, which are not of the best quality for showing. The lot numbers show at bottoms. Prices realized will give you an idea as to competitive prices for such.

Lot 115 sold for \$11.00.

Lot 117 brought \$33.00.



U. S. PERFINS RATINGS SURVEY

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The ratings are probably the most important factor of U.S. perfins collecting other than condition. Whether buying or trading, it represents the basis for all transactions. Therefore, ratings must be maintained and changed when needed.

The 1982 survey of "A" and "B" ratings, brought about a tremendous change. Hundreds of "A" and "B" were changed both up and down. Some "C", "D" and "E" were also changed and new "F" rating established for the extremely common.

The last survey before 1982, was many years previous and information was obtained from about 20% of the membership. now, it is time for a survey of "C" rated as some of these have been shown to be more common and others to be more scarce. The "C" group is such a large selection that it may take several pages to list them all.

In addition to "C" rated, all items in the Additions and Corrections (A&C) pages will be included, plus a few odds and ends overlooked in the 1982 survey.

For the 1982 survey, hundreds of forms were mailed to members. This is an expense to the club, so all members should fill in the forms in the *Bulletin* when it arrives later this year. The data about your collection is important, even if you have a small collection.

In previous surveys, reportings were not to be made on partials or splits, only complete copies. This time, there will be one exception. Any copies shown in the catalog as is because a better copy is not available or is unknown. You will list any such incompletes you have with a blue or black pen to differentiate from completes which will be marked with **RED** for easy tabulation. Remember, correct ratings can only be obtained by participation.

As an incentive for an extensive participation, ten members will receive a free "B" rated perfin for their co-operation. They will not be chosen as the largest number of items reported, but in such a manner that will permit all participants an equal opportunity to win. Beginners will be in a special category, with several winners to be chosen.

Forms will be the center pages in the October *Bulletin*. Remove the pages, mark appropriate spaces and return to be counted. Winners will be promptly notified and their names will be published in the February *Bulletin*.

This survey may be the last for many years. It will be my last. I thank all who have helped make the previous ones a success and all other members who will make this one the best of all.

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT

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- 2544 Koesterer, Joseph B.; 2067 Willowdale Drive, Stow, OH 44224
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- 2549 Turner, Douglas E.; 1102 Parkview Drive, Roseville, CA 95661
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- 2550 Hodges, Lonnie M.; 1536 McNeal Avenue, Norfolk, VA 23502
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- 2551 Graves, Darryl J.; 205 West 14 th. Street, Elmira Heights,
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U.S. Beginner By: Rickard
- 2552 Owen, Daniel R., Jr.; 669 - 16 th. Avenue, Salt Lake City,
UT 84103
U.S. Beginner By: Smith

NEW LIFE MEMBER - On entrance:

- L115 Huecker, Henry S.; P.O. Box 490, East Quogue, NY 11942
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SUMMARY:

Members as of March 31, 1987	801
New Members	+14
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IN MEMORIAL

It is with deep sorrow that we report the passing of Ivan H. Ley (LM90) of Arena, WI. Mr. Ley was born on November 28, 1895 and closed his album for the last time July 11, 1987 at the age of 91. Ivan, a member of long standing was formerly the Head of the Perfins Club's Sales Department in which capacity he handled the sales of the Bartleson Collection which provided the Club with a substantial portion of its income. He was a Hallock Card Award Recipient and was active in Club correspondence until shortly prior to his death. He will be greatly missed.

Major Newfoundland Perfin Survey

The perfin Study Group of the British North American Philatelic Society, in cooperation with the Newfoundland and Revenue Study Groups is pleased to announce it is conducting a major survey of Newfoundland Perfins. The purpose of the survey is to collect and collate all known perforated initials, words and designs that appear on Newfoundland stamps and to determine on which stamps they appeared and the dates of their possible use as well as their relative scarcity. In order to make this the best survey possible your cooperation is vital and everyone with Newfoundland perfins, no matter how few, is urged to participate. Copies of the survey form are available from: Jim Catterick, Editor, BNA PERFORATOR, 210 Steeles Avenue, Apartment 2102, Brampton, Ontario, Canada L6Y 2K3.

Listing may be sent by Scott Catalog Number and using the third or fourth edition of the Canadian Catalog. (Please specify which edition was used as there are quite a few changes in type numbers from the 3rd. to 4th. edition). Or you may send a sketch or photocopy. Anything to identify the perfin, especially if you only have a few.

**D.W Andersen (#1898), 11/15 Bank Street, Meadowbank 2114
N.S.W., Australia**

Wrote to ask: When more than one sheet/thickness of stamps are punctured at a time under what conditions are the holes in the bottom layer(s) larger than those in the upper layer(s)? Does this phenomena have a name?

Auction Number 40
CLOSING DATE 2 January 1988

Please Read these Rules Before Bidding - Lots will be sold to the highest bidder at the following advances over the next highest bidder: Under \$1.00, a 5 cent advance; \$1.00 to \$2.00 a 10 cent advance, \$2.00 to \$5.00 a \$.25 advance; over \$5.00 a 10% advance. No unlimited bids will be accepted. Please make bids in multiples of \$.05. In case of tie bids, the first bid received will be accepted. Cash bids on bids are not required. All single perfins are complete and in good condition unless otherwise specified. Straight edges are not considered damaged. In larger lots, mixes, etc., incomplete perfins splits, and duplicates are to be expected.

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ABBREVIATIONS:

blk - block	ho - hole out at margin, not complete	pp(s) - pulled perforations
blk4 - block of 4	inc - incomplete	pr - pair of stamps
cc - corner card	iss - issues	prov - provisionals
cd - post card	LL - large letters	sc - scuff of stamp face
cl - clipped	lp - light punch, letters barely seen	se - straight edge
co - company	m - mint	sl - small letters
cp - clipped corner	mb - minimum bid	sp - split perfin pattern
cr - creased stamp	mg - monogram	stp - stamp
cv - cover	mx - mix	str - strip of stamps
dam - slight damage such as tear, corner off	nr - no rating	st - stock transfer
diag - diagonal pattern	off - official	th - thinned stamp(s)
dif - different	ovpt- overprint	tp - triple punched
dp - double punched	pat - pattern(s)	tr - tear in stamp
dup - duplicate	pb - plate block	unl - unlisted
h, 1h- perfin pattern in- complete by # of holes	pc - precancelled	v - variety; one or more do not match the catalog illustration

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Lot No.	Description	R A T STAMP E SCOTT #	Lot No.	Description	R A T STAMP E SCOTT #	Lot No.	Description	R A T STAMP E SCOTT #	
1	A116a	C	425	51 C154	A	720	100 H43	B	426
2	A117	C	332	52 C168	C	377	101 H83	D	302
3	A117	C	332	53 C168	C	375	102 H149	C	332
4	A117	C	499	54 C177.5	B	517	103 H219	C	406
5	A170 pc	C	559	55 C231	C	503	104 H222	C	319
6	A179.5	C	425	56 C231	C	336	105 H229	C	636
7	A221 44A	B	811	57 C237	C	634	106 I29	C	559
8	A222	C	583	58 C237	C	634	107 I107	C	Q1
9	A265	B	332	59 C247 se	B	499	108 I107 se	C	Q2
10	A270-7	B	332	60 C247 tr	B	499	109 I107 se	C	Q5
11	A270-8	B	425	61 C319	C	331	110 I107	C	Q6
12	A270-8	B	332	62 C323A cr	NR	549	111 I107	C	Q9
13	A270-16 2se	C	400A	63 C338	C	462	112 J19 se	C	498
14	A289	C	512	64 C340 pc	C	E13	113 J53	B	425
15	A304	C	375	65 C340 pc	C	E13	114 J57	B	335
16	B12.7	B	332	66 C371 pp's	B	406	115 J71 se	C	375
17	B12.7	B	499	67 C386	C	375	116 J82	C	375
18	B107	B	406	68 C398 cl,cp,se	B	499	117 J137 se	C	333
19	B116-37	C	807	69 C407	C	375	118 J137 hi	C	426
20	B118 hi	C	332	70 D5 cp	B	463	119 J140	C	375
21	B118 pp's,cr	C	406	71 D64 blk4, se	B	381	120 J140	C	406
22	B129 ho	B	463	1 complete pattern			121 J178 se	D	Q5
23	B151 se	B	375	72 D68 blk4	E	515	122 K7 se	B	367
24	B164 se, 3h	C	499	73 D102 sc	B	554	123 K35 se	C	336
25	B185 se	B	334	74 D136 hi	C	304	124 K51	C	332
26	B193 hi, pp	C	714	75 E46	C	642	125 K67 se	B	499
27	B193	C	638	76 E57	C	406	126 L37	C	463
28	B193 hi	C	720	77 E57 th	C	406	127 L53 pp	B	707
29	B202	C	331	78 E110 se	C	424	128 L67 h	C	501
30	B215 se	E	Q7	79 E131	C	403	129 L119	B	406
31	B242 se, h	C	499	80 F2	C	425	130 L122 hi	C	Q5
32	B261	C	378	81 F73 se, 2h	E	403	131 L162 pc	C	498
33	B261	C	375	82 F90 2h	E	511	132 L187	E	319
34	B288	B	332	83 F106 se	D	Q2	133 M13	C	729
35	B290	C	375	84 F110	D	F1	134 M46	B	406
36	C11.5	C	416	85 F140	C	560	135 M66	B	406
37	C11.5 cr	C	510	86 G27	C	332	136 M101A cr	NR	375
38	C37 se	B	332	87 G45	C	549	137 M101	C	Q9
39	C37 2 se	B	406	88 G45	C	610	138 M121 se	B	405
40	C46 se	C	378	89 G72 se	E	307	139 M122	B	610
41	C96	C	503	90 G72	E	310	140 M129	C	375
42	C97 h	B	424	91 G72-33	C	807	141 M129	C	375
43	C98.5 se	B	416	92 G114	C	901	142 M132 hi, se	C	425
44	C102	C	425	93 G134 se	B	332	143 M177	C	332
45	C102 h	C	425	94 G155b	B	1036	144 M204	B	331
46	C104 hi	B	499	95 G175	C	560	145 M246	C	554
47	C122	C	425	96 G195	C	501	146 M270	C	503
48	C129.5	B	398	97 H26 cr	C	501	147 M275.5 tr	B	370
49	C129.5	B	398	98 H30 hi,cr	B	378	148 M301	C	332
50	C141	C	633	99 H42	C	499	149 M305 cp	B	375

Lot No.	Description	R	Lot No.	Description	R	Lot No.	Description	R	
		A			A			A	
		T STAMP			T STAMP			T STAMP	
		E SCOTT #			E SCOTT #			E SCOTT #	
150	N17 cr	C	498	200 S195-35 pb, m	D	717	248 65 tr	P	343
151	N28 pc	C	498	201 S196 pp's	C	557	249 74	O	343
152	N52	C	406	202 S198	C	319	Dollar Stamps		
153	N54b se	E	Q2	203 S205	B	375	250 G72-36	D	342
154	N76	C	379	204 S205	B	375	251 G72-36	D	423
155	N76	C	375	205 S208 pp	B	554	252 G72-29	E	460
156	N131 se, pp's	C	303	206 S208 2 cp's	B	425	253 G72	E	478
157	N133	D	614	207 S212	C	499	254 B224 se	E	518
158	N143	B	561	208 S215 se	F	398	255 C179	C	518
159	N155 h	C	332	209 S244	C	425	256 C417	E	518
160	N161	C	377	210 S251.5	B	425	257 C417 h	E	518
161	N178	B	499	211 S267 se	C	377	258 E58 pc	E	518
162	N182 se, cr	F	398	212 S292 2h	C	406	259 E58 pc	E	518
163	N183	C	552	213 S299 se	B	375	260 F90	E	518
164	N187 se, cr, pp's	C	424	214 S299 se, cr	B	375	261 F159	D	518
165	N202 cr's, pp's	C	425	215 S309	C	375	262 F161 cr	E	518
166	O75	E	F1	216 S321.5	B	332	263 F165A 2se, cr	E	518
167	P24 se	C	499	217 S336	C	744	264 F165A se	E	518
168	P26	C	698	218 T76	C	332	265 F169 se	E	518
169	P71 se	C	375	219 T87 se	C	375	266 M224 tr	C	518
170	P88	C	499	220 T97	C	501	267 M224 tr v	C	518
171	P121	B	554	221 U13 pp's	C	510	Offset on back		
172	P160	C	499	222 U32 se, early	D	424	268 O76 cr	E	518
173	P182	C	820	pc, mb \$3.00			269 S127 pc	D	518
174	P222 pp's	C	501	223 U67 pc	C	405	270 V50 tr	C	518
175	P230	C	425	224 U104 se	B	406	271 U82	E	518
176	P230 cr	C	425	225 U104	B	406	272 F165A 2h	E	518
177	P242	C	566	226 V7 se	C	425	273 C417 tr	E	524
178	P248 se, 1p	C	502	227 V8	C	1035	274 F1 tr	E	524
179	P252	C	331	228 W70	C	332	275 F126 cl	F	524
180	P253 cr	C	375	229 W72-41	C	406	276 G172	E	524
181	Q10 th, pp	C	406	230 W133 cl	C	Q4	277 P152	E	524
182	Q10 se	C	332	231 W160	C	377	278 F161 ho	E	547
183	Q10 se	C	425	232 W174 se	B	558	279 F164A h	NR	571
184	R10	C	707	233 W199-25	E	614	280 H73	E	571
185	R43	C	587	234 W202 h	C	378	281 H131	E	571
186	R74 cr	C	375	235 W211	C	375	282 M310 h	C	571
187	R75	F	319	236 W211	C	375	283 P234	D	571
188	R75	F	319	237 Y2 cl	B	425	284 R43	C	571
189	R91	B	499	238 Y2 tr	B	425	285 W19 cr	C	571
190	R120	C	499	239 Y11 se	E	Q9	286 W69	E	571
191	R120 se	C	425	240 Z3	B	331	287 #3 cr	E	571
192	R151 hi	C	374	241 DES31	C	424	288 #15 h	E	571
193	S29	E	319	242 DES39	C	503	289 D140	E	572
194	S138	D	319	Schermarks			290 F164A	NR	572
195	S170	E	319	243 14	O	344	291 P80	C	572
196	S174	C	554	244 19	N	344	292 C219	F	573
197	S195-16	C	811	245 34	O	344	293 F126	F	573
198	S195-35 blk4,m	D	908	246 65	P	343	294 F126	F	573
199	S195-35 blk4,m	D	815	247 65	P	343	295 G172	E	573

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296	G172	E 573	345	6 E's Back of Book		386	J16, JL, ho	157
297	A239	D 832	346	120 dif E'S		387	J28, JPB&C, INC PAT	66
298	B172	E 832	347	50 dif E's & F's		388	J38, J.V.	158
299	B174	E 832	348	115 mix E's & F's		389	U21, U.P.L., 3h	Q135
300	E120 cr	E 832	349	502 mix		390	11 dif stamps (German Occupation)	
301	E135	D 832	350	100 1922 iss, most dif		391	P.B., OVPT	N18
302	F78	F 832	351	98 Railroad			British South Africa Co.	
303	F217 cp	D 832	352	145 C219 E pat		392	One Pound Revenue Perfin DATED 18/12/05	
304	G138	C 832	353	71 C194 & C194.5 E pats			Canada	
305	G154 h	D 832	354	4 blks of 4 dif pats		393	C46	204
306	J14	D 832	355	14 D104 D pat		394	C52 se, vert pr	104
307	J99	E 832	356	46 L158 E pat		394A	M5	104
308	J174	E 832C	357	91 pairs mix		395	N11	257
309	L44 th	E 832	358	58 Comm. pats		395A	O1 ho	107
310	M205	D 832	359	26 SP DEL and AIR		396	S17	106
311	N196	D 832	360	3 dif PC's & pat		397	W10 Minimum Bid \$3	77
312	O97	D 832	361	10 PC's, 4 pats, 6 stps			Ceylon	
313	P37	D 832	362	17 NY State PC's		398	C.C.L.	140
314	P141 cr	C 832	363	100 PC's 1915-22 most dif			Denmark	
315	P182	C 832	364	22 Revenue dif pats		399	F34, FOG	299
316	S276	E 832C	365	15 misc damaged parcel post		400	G28, G.S	72
317	V5 tr	D 832		Angola		401	L16, LB monogram	117
318	W72-31	C 832	366	B.A	353	402	L20, L.D.	118
319	N213	F 833		Argentina		403	L26, L.G./C.	40
320	E120	E 834	367	6 dif BNA			France	
321	F78	F 834	368	51A, CG/FF	427	404	A.F	162
322	H131	E 834	369	68, E.A.	C93	405	A.G	189
323	H131 tr	E 834		Australia		406	AW	650
324	W92	E 834	370	OS sl	99	407	BC	102
325	A119	E 1052	371	OS sl, 4 dif Geo V		408	BY	137
326	B116-14	C 1052	372	OS LL	2	409	C.C	188
327	B237	E 1052	373	6 stps, 3 dif pat		410	C.F.	167
328	D110	E 1052		NW Pacific Islands		411	C.F. mod blk print	146
329	F78 se	F 1052	373A	OS, L vr	42	412	CFM	267
330	G139	E 1052		Austria		413	CGF se	177
331	J174	E 1052	374	JO	P11	414	CL mod blk print	146
332	P202A	E 1052	375	2 dif designs MB \$1.20 (Office in Crete)		415	CL (L-7h)	595
333	R157	D 1052	376	See Photograph	16	416	CL (L-9h)	267
334	T125	E 1052		Bavaria		417	CN 2h	C23
	United States Packets		377	BASF	68	418	C.N.	267
335	25 dif B & C with defects			Belgium		419	CN script	168
336	18 dif C's		378	A28, A.D.	231	420	CNE (N-11H)	653
337	29 dif C's		379	A46, A.G.	111	421	CNE (N-14H)	267
338	8 dif D's		380	B41, B.C.D	103	422	CNE h, (N-17H)	123
339	14 dif D's		381	B68, B.I.B	82	423	D.C.	172
340	20 dif D's		382	B101, B.T./M, h, tr	119	424	DF	96
341	100 dif D's		383	DP	231	425	DF th	146
342	125 mix D or better		384	D-14, KEY	66	426	DMC	113
343	125 dif D's		385	H45, H&C	231			
344	50 dif E's							

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427	DM/C	181	473	12 dif pats, Edw VII, MB \$4.			Spain	
428	E.J	169	474	12 dif pats, QVictoria, mb\$5		506	B.H.A., 7 dif stps	
429	F.M	146	475	40 dif pats			Switzerlerland	
430	F.S.	267		(Offices in Turkish Emp.)		507	10 dif	
431	G.C.	159	476	BIO	8		Sudan	
432	G.L	336		Greece		508	AS	12
433	G.L th	121	477	I.B./L	227	509	SG, 4 dif stps	
434	HH	146	478	See photo	206		Victoria	
435	J.C.	159	479	See photo pp's	354	510	OS,LL, blk of 6, separation	
436	JTL	125		Ireland		511	OS,LL, 5 dif stps, mb \$4	
437	LF	139	480	Fiscal stp see photo			World Mix	
438	LR	110		Italy		512	28 pats, 15 Countries	
439	M.B	377	481	46 stps, 11 pats			US Envelopes	
440	MD inc punch	146		Jugoslavia		513	E6 (cc- Equitable	
441	M/SC	653	482	S. inc pat	22		Accident Co.)	B A139
442	N&C	113		Japan		514	F66	C 554
443	OBC se, c1	139	483	3 dif pats & stps		515	U39.5	F
444	PC	133		Madeira			France Envelope	
445	PF	102	484	WELSH	18	516	FS (10X540), 542, tr	
446	P.U.	133		Mauritius			Germany Envelope	
447	SG (S-9h)	544	485	MCB/M	214	517	B486, B.R.	425
448	SG (S-11h)	146		Netherlands			(cc-Brash & Rothenstein)	
449	SG (S-12h)	267	486	K9, KARTO	308		US Corner Card	
450	SG.	126	487	B14, BN/G	174B	518	P240	E 1035
451	SG. h	102	488	B14, BN/G	168B		Postal Card US	
452	SL (L-7h)	534	489	N5, NB/A	173B	519	N145 D ON 498	UX27
453	SL (L-9h)	162	490	N33, NO/G	166B		Postal Card Portugal	
454	S.L	653	491	H23, HH, h	173B	520	20 REIS REPUBLICA OVERPRINT	
455	S.L.	674	492	S40c, SZ, inc punch	173B		CFP punched in top left cor	
456	S.M	272	493	V21, V.D.S.	83		mb \$3, Credit Franko	
457	S.N.B.D., pat off stp	173	494	S16, S.G.	84		Portugais	
458	T.C. hi	162		Newfoundland			Customs Card France to Turkey	
459	TC/&S	459	495	A8, AYRE, unused	167	521	DMC, 4X130, 125, 170, tax stp	
460	TH/C	267	496	A9, AYRE	190		See Photo	
461	VF pp's	180	497	G5, GK, mb \$3	117		Postcards US	
462	VP	162	498	AYRE, 7 stps, 6 dif		522	C353	E 1031
463	W	118		New South Wales				1035
464	W.F.	267	499	OS/NSW, 4 dif stps		523	I418	D 498
465	28 dif, inc & faults			Norway		524	M165	D 331
	Germany		500	O.M./&S., pp's	80		Postcard Netherlands	
466	H142, H.C./B.	62		Russia		525	K3	65
467	POL, C-18, m, nh, mb\$5	478	501	See Photo	94		Mint Souvenir Sheet Belgium	
468	11 dif stps. 8 pats			Saar		526	Queen Eliz, mb \$7 B317-18	
	Great Britain		502	D.H.	90			
469	B86.1, BB/NA, 2h,	139		South Africa				
	mb \$3.00		503	C/CT	52			
470	E477, ETNA, c1	78		South Australia				
471	un1, GAW/&Co	62	504	SA, pp's	122			
472	W596.2, WP/CoLd,	111	505	SA	155			
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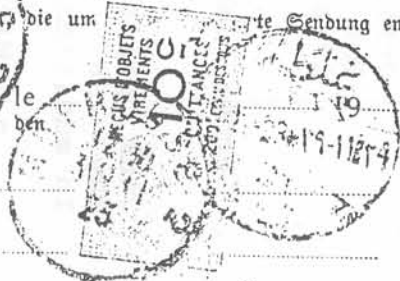
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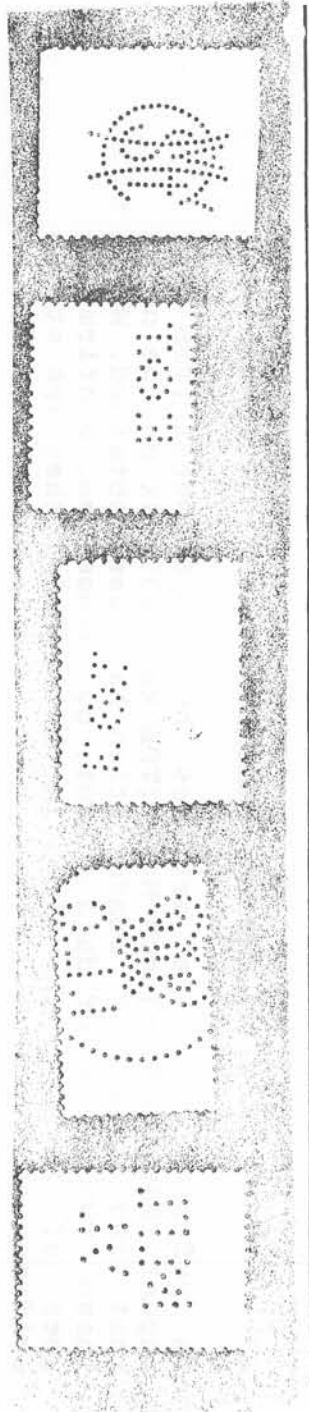
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LUXEMBOURG PERFINS ANSWER

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- o Bob Schwerdt reports that the Scott Catalogue lists Luxembourg #505 15 fr. "ARBED Corporation Steel Corporation in Luxembourg'
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**From: Jack Brandt (LM14), 1006 727 6th. Ave. SW, Calgary,
Alberta T2P OV1, Canada**

















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Sherwin Williams Company

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In addition to seaport revenue perfins of the State of Hamburg, the revenue stamps of the German Overseas Steamship Lines have been found with perfins. It is not certain, however, if these perfins saw use in Latin America. The two lines are Hamburg American Packet Company (HAPAG) and Hamburg South American Steamship Company (HSDG). See German Territorial African pages of the World Perfins Catalog for German African Steamship Lines. The dates of issue for HAPAG are 1908-25 and for HSDG are 1920-23. Both obverse and reverse are illustrated for the record. The State of Hamburg fiscals are also illustrated to show differences from the fiscals of the private shipping companies. All of these fiscals were used for various seaport administration fees. All identities on this page were located in Hamburg.

		1 HAPAG B Johann Dehls			6 HAPAG B R. Grossman (?)
		2 HAPAG B Eugen Rüdtenburg			7 HAPAG B
		3 HAPAG B Heinrich Becker			8 HSDG B
		4 HAPAG B J.H. Bachmann			
		5 HAPAG B Max Grünhut			

GERMAN STEAMSHIP LINES (LATIN AMERICA): HAPAG, HSDG

The illustrations on this page are all Hamburg State seaport administration fee fiscals (Kaigeld) and storage fee fiscals (Lagergeld).

	A.W.N	20 Kaigeld B		J.D	26 Lagergeld B
	.R.E	21 Kaigeld B Eugen Rüdénburg		.R.E	27 Lagergeld B Eugen Rüdénburg
	.R.F	22 Kaigeld B		.R.W	28 Lagergeld B
	.J.P	23 Kaigeld B			
	.S.W	24 Kaigeld B			
	.R.E	25 Kaigeld B			

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WANTED Perfins of the Netherlands and Denmark on and off cover. Also desired are issues or complete volumes of the Perfins Bulletin prior to 1976. Please write with details (description, prices) to: Joop A. Wibier, Postbox 3287, 4700 GG Roosendaal (N.-Br.), The Netherlands.

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AUCTION #39 PRICES Realized

Auction Chairman Ed Linn reported that he did not receive the final check for Auction #39 until June 9, 1987. There is no reason why members should be slow in paying their Auction bills on time. The additional cost of mailing dunning letters only drives up the Club's costs. Prices realised are provided below. This auction and its results have been entered into a computer data base which may at sometime in the future be useful to members wishing to determine price trends. However, at this time I have no definite plans of starting such a service. The data are being maintained in a LOTUS 1-2-3 file. Members may obtain an IBM PC copy by forwarding a formatted floppy disk and sufficient postage to cover return mail to John F. Lyding, P.O. Box 3342, Crofton, MD 21114.

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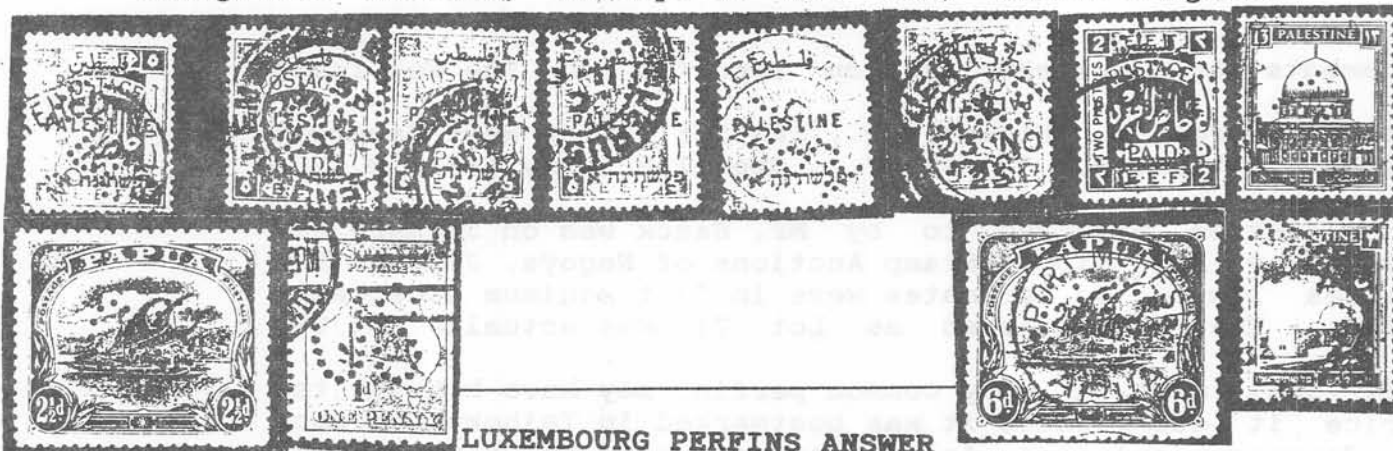
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2	0.60	54	1.50	106	3.50	158	NB	209A	3.25	260	6.00	312	27.75	364	0.50
3	0.75	55	1.30	107	4.75	159	NB	210	3.25	261	3.20	313	2.50	365	0.60
4	1.30	56	5.80	108	1.10	160	0.60	210A	2.25	262	0.60	314	3.25	366	10.00
5	0.45	57	0.60	109	4.75	161	3.50	211	1.80	263	3.00	315	3.25	367	15.55
6	5.50	58	0.70	110	2.50	162	4.75	212	1.10	264	2.25	316	0.50	368	0.60
7	5.50	59	1.00	111	1.10	163	3.25	213	1.10	265	3.25	317	3.25	369	1.50
8	1.10	60	0.50	112	4.50	164	0.90	214	1.10	266	14.30	318	0.30	370	0.20
9	1.10	61	0.60	113	4.75	165	NB	215	0.90	267	15.00	319	5.00	371	0.60
10	5.00	62	42.00	114	4.75	166	4.75	216	0.60	268	6.05	320	2.50	372	3.35
11	0.60	63	MIS	115	2.70	167	NB	217	NB	269	3.00	321	3.75	373	1.10
12	0.60	64	1.60	116	2.00	168	3.00	218	1.30	270	2.25	322	1.75	374	0.60
13	0.25	65	NB	117	2.00	169	0.60	219	0.90	271	7.70	323	1.60	375	3.00
14	5.50	66	5.50	118	1.80	170	1.10	220	0.90	272	2.50	324	0.60	376	1.60
15	16.50	67	MIS	119	5.50	171	3.50	221	2.75	273	1.25	325	3.50	377	1.60
16	2.25	68	4.75	120	4.50	172	1.00	222	0.40	274	6.05	326	3.50	378	3.25
17	0.60	69	2.25	121	4.15	173	NB	223	1.20	275	1.60	327	0.45	379	3.25
18	0.70	70	1.50	122	4.75	174	0.60	224	1.60	276	2.25	328	2.50	380	2.65
19	0.60	71	1.10	123	3.25	175	0.90	225	1.60	277	3.50	329	3.50	381	38.50
20	0.60	72	4.00	124	4.75	176	3.30	226	1.60	278	5.00	330	3.50	382	3.75
21	1.80	73	3.75	125	1.00	177	1.00	227	0.45	279	4.55	331	3.25	383	1.60
22	1.60	74	4.75	126	1.60	178	4.75	228	NB	280	MIS	332	5.50	384	2.25
23	1.10	75	2.00	127	4.75	179	4.75	229	1.40	281	NB	333	3.50	385	0.50
24	0.75	76	NB	128	1.00	180	1.30	230	1.00	282	NB	334	15.00	386	1.50
25	0.60	77	NB	129	0.60	181	0.70	231	1.15	283	0.20	335	2.25	387	1.60
26	0.60	78	NB	130	2.55	182	3.25	232	24.75	284	1.10	336	2.50	388	0.25
27	0.70	79	NB	131	13.75	183	5.50	233	10.90	285	0.60	337	1.75	389	2.00
28	0.60	80	3.75	132	1.10	184	0.50	234	6.90	286	1.60	338	20.00	390	4.25
29	0.50	81	MIS	133	2.75	185	3.25	235	18.00	287	1.60	339	4.50	391	0.50
30	0.60	82	1.95	134	4.75	186	NB	236	7.55	288	11.00	340	22.00	392	13.20
31	0.60	83	3.25	135	5.50	187	4.75	237	0.85	289	4.00	341	12.10	393	5.60
32	2.30	84	0.40	136	3.50	188	1.00	238	10.00	290	2.50	342	0.60	394	3.75
33	0.60	85	18.45	137	1.70	189	0.40	239	0.35	291	1.30	343	2.35	395	8.25
34	1.40	86	0.50	138	2.25	190	0.80	240	0.35	292	2.25	344	3.25	396	11.00
35	0.70	87	1.00	139	4.75	191	1.10	241	7.50	293	6.60	345	1.60	397	16.50
36	0.60	88	1.75	140	2.75	192	0.25	242	4.25	294	0.40	346	0.85	398	MIS
37	1.20	89	0.90	141	2.25	193	6.60	243	9.60	295	0.50	347	1.10	399	0.20
38	1.10	90	1.10	142	5.00	194	5.50	244	1.20	296	5.00	348	1.10	400	RET
39	0.40	91	0.35	143	3.25	195	6.60	245	5.50	297	5.50	349	NB	401	4.25
40	1.00	92	1.60	144	NB	196	6.00	246	5.25	298	2.50	350	0.25	402	3.75
41	0.60	93	0.75	145	NB	197	11.00	247	16.65	299	4.25	351	0.45	403	5.50
42	2.25	94	0.70	146	2.60	198	5.50	248	RET	300	2.85	352	2.85	404	1.85
43	5.50	95	1.50	147	NB	199	6.00	249	0.35	301	19.80	353	0.60	405	5.55
44	5.50	96	NB	148	NB	200	8.40	250	1.10	302	3.00	354	0.50	406	12.65
45	3.00	97	5.50	149	1.00	201	6.60	251	0.40	303	2.75	355	0.55	407	1.00
46	2.50	98	1.20	150	NB	202	6.00	252	NB	304	3.00	356	6.60	408	1.00
47	3.00	99	1.20	151	0.50	203	6.00	253	MIS	305	4.25	357	5.50	409	1.60
48	3.00	100	0.50	152	0.75	204	0.50	254	2.00	306	3.50	358	2.25	410	0.85
49	2.55	101	NB	153	0.75	205	0.50	255	1.10	307	1.40	359	17.00	411	2.25
50	2.25	102	1.10	154	2.25	206	0.50	256	3.30	308	4.25	360	8.25	412	6.65
51	5.00	103	0.35	155	0.50	207	0.50	257	5.50	309	6.60	361	15.55	413	5.50
52	2.25	104	3.75	156	1.30	208	NB	258	2.25	310	1.40	362	1.10	414	RET

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418	0.90	438	0.50	457	Tasmania .30		
419	1.10	439	1.25	458	2.75		
420	0.35	440	1.35	459	No lot	474	3.50
421	1.00	441	NB	460	3.85	475	0.10
422	0.30	442	2.25	461	1.10	-----	
423	0.50	443	1.50	462	NB		
424	0.40	444	1.85	463	NB	NB	- No Bid
425	5.00	445	0.25	464	0.30	MIS	- Mislabeled
426	3.60	446	NB	465	NB	RET	- Returned
427	14.70	447	2.00	466	3.00		
428	0.30	448	2.75	467	1.00		
429	0.20	449	2.25	468	3.25		
430	NB	450	6.50	469	3.00		
431	NB	451	2.25	470	4.00		
432	NB	452	RET	471	1.10		
433	0.50	453	1.20	472	12.00		
434	1.85	454	9.35	473	28.60		

WANT ADS AND NOTICES Con.)

MAKE OFFER Perfins of Palestine, Papua and Australia illustrated below. Palestine: The 3 mils type B, 13 mils type H of the pictorial (1927) issue, and the 2 Piastre (in the scarcer Ochre color) with type H, the 5 mils type H, and the two copies of the 5 mils type D of the Waterlow 1922 issue are considered the best of this lot. Papua: 1911 issue lithographed by Cooke. 2-1/2d mint frame color appears to be error as its mauve, instead of bluish violet. Australian 1 penny is most unusual as it has the guillotine cuts vertically of a coil (it has the 1st type OS perfin). Make offer to: Norman J. Collins, 21 Torrington Drive, Thingwall, Heswall, Merseyside LS1 7UZ, United Kingdom.



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Comments on Japanese Auction reported in the May Issue

From: George A. Fisher, Jr., (#1152), 10749 West Saratoga Place, Littleton, CO 80127. See TPB, May 1987, p. 70.

The Auction referred to by Mr. Haack was on January 30, 1987, by All Nippon Stamp Auctions of Nagoya, Japan. The values listed as estimates were in fact minimum acceptable bids. The item listed as Lot 71 was actually Lot 76.

Lot 539, with a very common perfin, may have brought the price it did because it was postmarked in Taihoku, Taiwan, a Japanese colonial island now returned to China. It is quite possible that the pattern is W80 rather than W82, since Adachi says that W82 was used only in Tokyo while W80 was used by 21 branches of the Mitsui Co. in addition to the head office in Tokyo. The last 11 offices in Adachi's list were in Korea, Manchuria, Taiwan (including Taihoku), and China.

Lot 949 may have brought as much as it did because it had about 30% of a U.S. seapost postmark.

The stamp bearing the common naval anchor perfin, Lot 1894, bears a socked-on-the-nose postmark of Uraga, a less-common office of use of the anchor perfins. Here again, Adachi says pattern X4 was used in four offices, none being Uraga, while X3 was used in Uraga and many other offices, including Korea. The difference between the two patterns is that X3 has a larger ring (called "head" by Adachi) than X4.

Lot 2543 brought such a high price because it is a perfined postcard, the borderless issue of 1906. Perfined postcards are rare; it is not listed by Adachi. Adachi reports this perfin, read *Tanenae*, is known used only from the Naitoshinjuku office in Tokyo, the office from which this postcard was used. By the way, purists may prefer the term postal-card, since this item is a government-issued card with imprinted postage-stamp indicia.

Lot 3191 was bought by me. The description of the cover said it bore an **NHK** perfin, although the photograph looked like the **JOAK** reported by Mr. Haack. In spite of this, I bid based on the description, since it would have been a new pattern. **NHK** stands for *Nihon Hōsō Kyoku*, the Japan Broadcasting Co., for which station **JOAK** in Tokyo was the main broadcasting station. Alas, the description was wrong since the perfin was **JOAK**; I returned it as misdescribed. I haven't yet noticed the item in a subsequent auction.

By the way, in case anyone missed it in the original article, this monthly catalog is entirely in Japanese. In June, the company issued its first catalog in English for a special auction squeezed in among the regular monthly auctions. There was also the regular June catalog in Japanese for an entirely different group of lots. Several lots in both June auctions were perfins.

Larry Owen (LM46) wrote to let us know that a high bid of \$125.00 was received for the Accumulation of about 3,000 mixed foreign perfins advertised in TPB, May 1987, p.78.

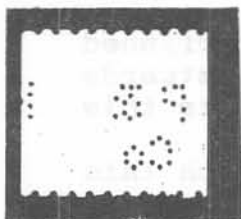
Congratulations: To Ed Fisher (#220) of San Angelo, Texas.

His Perfin Exhibit entitled, "By Foot, By Horse, By Coach, or By Rail" was awarded a Gold Award at the SOPLEX-HIPLEX Stamp exhibition held in Lubbock, TX on May 16th. and 17th. It depicts a saga of Mexican history that could not be told with out perfins. The postmarks show the place and time that the stamp was used and the perfin tells which company used them.

COIL STAMP SURVEY UPDATE

Harry Rickard, U.S. Catalog Editor
1887 Altozano Drive, El Cajon, CA 9202

It has been quite a while since anyone reported any additions to the last published listing of coil stamp perfins. Some of the newer members may not be aware of the large number of patterns and varieties of denominations used on perforators.



Quite a few single die device users tried coils on their perforators. About the only way one can tell if the user preferred coil stamps to sheet stamps, is to check the chart and see how many different denominations appear for the same pattern.

Pattern P248, illustrated here, has a partial strike at the head (top) of the stamp. A normal feed of coil stamps would be with the sides leading. The approximate 11 mm. spacing between each pattern would put it in the normal multi-head spacing. Using coils on such a machine is a bit different and unusual.

This is one of the lesser used coils. Scott Catalogue number 413, perf. 8-1/2 side-wise, 2 cent denomination.

Anyone who has acquired any new coil perfins since the last published survey is requested to report the pattern number, Scott Catalogue number and denomination for listing. A new complete listing will be published in the future.

1987 ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS PAGES

Update your catalog now before the survey later this year. Send check for \$1.50, payable to The Perfins Club, or \$1.00 cash and 3 postage stamps. Order from Harry Rickard, 1887 Altozano Drive, E. Cajon, CA 92020.

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ABOUT THE TYPEFACE

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THE SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Secretary is Ralph W. Smith, R.R. 1 Box 5645, Dryden, ME 04225

New Members:

- 2553 Dickstein, Emil S.; 5437 Mahoning Avenue, Youngstown,
OH 44515
Palestine "KKL" By: Lyding
- 2554 Griffith, Garry; 32 Church Street, Westwood, MA 02090
U.S. #554 (2 cent Red) By: Unknown
- 2555 Solder, Robert W.; P.O. Box 15, Todd, NC 28684
Beginner, Germany and Egypt By: Payne 1755
- 2556 Paulin, Jan J.P.; P.O. Box 5, S-44204 Kode, Sweden
Worldwide By: Smith
- 2557 May, Judson E.; 3713 W.Meadowbrook, Phoenix, AZ 85109
Worldwide By: Smith
- 2558 Affleck, George; One Rose Drive, V.S.M.P.; Hatfield,
PA 19440
Worldwide By: Hoyt
- 2559 Johnson, Harry R., Sr.; 4279 Garand Lane, West Palm
Beach, Fl 33406
U.S. Beginner By: Smith
- 2560 Tetrault, Robert H., Jr.; 656 North Main Street,
Acushnet, MA 02743
U.S. Beginner By: Hoyt
- 2561 Mazzaferro, Robert J.; 239 Park Street, North
Reading, MA 01864. By: Hoyt

Life by Conversion:

- L116 Lyding, John F. P.O. Box 3342, Crofton, MD 2114

Reinstated:

- 1887 Terry, Glenn F.; P.O. Box 4025, Carmel-By-The-Sea,
CA 93921

Resigned:

- 2389 Wolf, Joseph A.; 42 Syracuse St., Tonawanda, NY 14150
2412 White, Joseph A; 924 Wonderland Rd #203, London, Ont.
Canada N6K 2V9
2412F White, Gloria H.; Same Address

Address Changes:

- 1327 Washington, Thomas; USAMEDDAC-J, APO San Francisco, CA
96343
L115 Huecker, Henry S.; P.O. Box 360, East Qugue, NY 11942
2347 Ashley, William B.; P.O. Box 31687, San Francisco, CA
94131
2451 Rutler, Gregory J.; Rt 3 Box 135, Hawley, MN 56549
2536 Hoffman, Glenn A.; 450 Entrada Dr. Apt 31, Novato, CA
94949

Summary:

Members as of April 30, 1987	815
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A "NEW" LANE BRYANT PERFORATION

Edward S. Hoyt (#292), 225 W. Coover (Rear) No. 2,
Mechanicsburg, PA 17005

The perfin we are used to seeing is L34 "L/B", 8-1/2 mm. with 27 holes. The new "find", illustrated here, is "L/B", measuring 1-1/16 "with 23 holes. It was used as a cancelling device on "credit cards", sent out to customers who had over-paid their bills -- and -- upon cashing the cards in, the "cancellation" was applied to show that they had been redeemed. Requests sent to Lane Bryant for additional information have not borne fruit todate.



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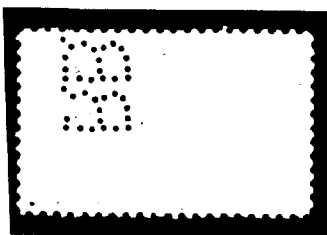
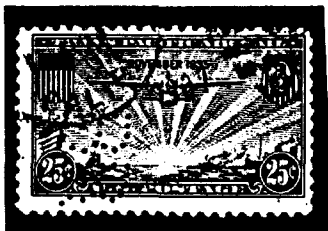
The new Railroad catalog featuring a complete update of the 1966 issue is now available for sale. The catalog, consisting of 53 pages is punched for a three ring binder and is bound in a semiflexible "Swinger polybinder." All known U.S. and Canadian railroad perfins are included, in addition an 8 page appendix is provided which lists old catalog numbers, revisions and general U.S. catalog numbers. This section will be especially handy for those who have the older 1966 edition. The catalog is the culmination of the effort of Robert F Gray (80L) who took over the project after the untimely death of Dr. James G. Martin (#1565).

Price, postpaid in the U.S. and Canada, is \$5.00. Please order from the Catalog Sales Manager, Art Atkinson, 5109 A Street, Lincoln, NE 68510.

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Ed's note: This catalog/album will be an important addition to any perfin collectors library. By using this catalog, it was possible for me to differentiate between U.S. Catalog numbers S170 and S170.5 on cover. Both patterns are listed in the general catalog as 7-9-1/2mm; however, the Railroad Catalog also provides the data that the "S" of S170 is 4-1/2 mm wide while the "S" of 170.5 is only 4 mm wide.

U.S. PATTERN B33



Edwin C. Haack (#770), 10930 N.E.
Klickitat Street, Portland, OR 97220

I have had the old device for a few years and have used it on rare occasions. When I traded for the device a pin was broken. However, until recently I did not have the pattern on a stamp. I recently came across a copy of Scott Catalogue Number C20 (China Clipper over the Pacific the Transpacific Issue 25 cent blue, perf. 11 unwatermarked) with a clear cancel from California dating the pins breakage in the thirties or earlier.

Notes From the Editor's Desk...

First, let me apologize for running the "Luxembourg Perfins Answer" and the letter from Jack Brandt twice in the September issue. We narrowly averted disaster twice on that issue. I managed to "clobber" a disk with most of the September issue and then proceeded to repeat my performance with the back-up disk. Second, when Helen Ratzler took the camera ready copies to the printer, she found his shop under four feet of water. Consequently, the issue was printed at a different shop and it was not trimmed after printing, which accounted for the somewhat ragged look.

Bob Ellwanger and I have been setting up a new Library List. With luck it will be a supplement to the November/December issue. This will give you something to do over Christmas.

We have been in correspondence with the Editor of Stamp World (UK). We had requested permission to reprint a tale about an Italian perfin. Briefly, a cover was shown franked with several stamps including a 50 centesmi stamp with a perfin "TL." The gist of the article was a claim that the "TL" stood for *Torpedinera Lepanto* - torpedo boat *Lepanto*. Assistant Editor, William Gough responded noting that the author did not have his facts quite right and enclosed a second article entitled "Shot in the Foot!" in which author Otto Hornung explains his error by quoting a letter stating, "...the perfin does not read 'TL', but 'LT', and it is not an unknown perfin." It is the pattern of the Trieste shipping line Lloyd Triestino. Both articles have been forwarded to the Club's Library.

On August 20th. the Club held a mini-convention at the PSS Show in Willimington DE. Those present were Jim Callis, Robert Coleman, Randall Gabrielan, John Marsh, Charles Pearson, John Randall, Earl Ratzler, our publisher Helen Ratzler, Dave Smith and your editor. Sorry to have missed Ed Phillips who attended the Saturday session.

Also in the works: the reprint of an article on Petro-Perfins by member Tom Hughes, an index to this years Bulletin, and the survey results.

We obtained a copy of Chui Chee-Wan's Chi's Supplement (4 pp) from several members suggesting that we reprint this material. In rejecting reprint permission Michael Rogers, Inc. 340 Park Avenue North, Winter Park FL 32789 stated, *inter alia*:

... we sell these monographs at \$2 each (except that they are gratis with a one year subscription to our pricelists which is complementary with any purchase of stamps or literature), we wouldn't want you to reprint it.

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THE PERFIN'S CLUB

Statement for the period ending 6/30/87

	<u>Quarter to Date</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
INCOME		
Dues Receipts	\$1431.00	\$1599.00
Publication Sales	98.86	392.68
Auction Receipts	307.76	307.76
Cover Sales	0.00	31.07
Interest Income	768.43	185.67
U.S. Catalog Receipts	7.15	546.65
Foreign Catalogs	0.00	362.16
Donations	8.50	8.30
TOTAL INCOME	\$2621.70	\$4433.49
EXPENSE		
Bulletin	\$1205.51	\$3946.60
Publisher	378.97	378.97
Secretary	63.82	98.17
Library	67.86	67.86
Membership	29.67	29.67
Foreign Catalog	56.70	304.39
U.S. Catalog	68.78	(61.60)
R.R. Catalog	915.48	915.48
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$2786.79	\$5679.54
NET INCOME (LOSS)	(\$165.09)	(\$1246.05)

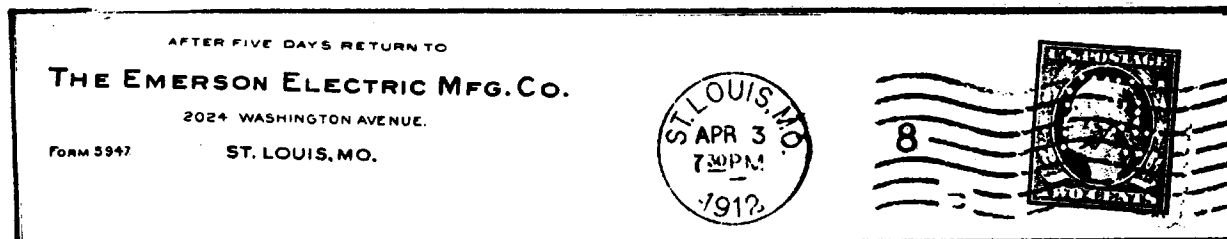
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Total L.M. Savings	8866.00
OP. Funds Pass Book	1120.96
OP. Funds Cert. 5119	14000.00
OP. Funds Cert. 5447	1891.36
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Total OP. Fund Savings	\$20516.46
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CAPITAL & LIABILITIES

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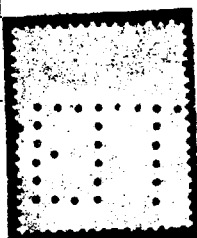
/s/ J.A. Gooding
Treasure



U. S. CATALOG CORRECTION - E117

Please correct users name to "The Emerson Electric Mfg. Co." by adding "Mfg." to user on page 239.

Indore (Indian Feudatory State) Request



J.C. Jenkins (#1625), P.O. Box 98, Charlestown, IN 47111 provided the illustrations of perfin "ETT" on Scott Catalogue Number 15. The perfin is apparently only part of a perfin covering two or more stamps. The stamp has no indication of a cancelation of any kind. Mr. Jenkins reports that he has as of yet been unable to locate any information concerning perfins on stamps of Indore. Any one having any information on this item is requested to contact Mr. Jenkins.

The next issue of **MEXICANA** will have an article by Bob Schwerdt on classification of Mexican Perfins.

Jacob Kisner (#2168) in a followup to the item reported in TPB, May 1987, p. 69 about the Scandinavian Collector Club auction, wrote to say: Lot 97 "Two WWI censored covers from Denmark to USA. One has H.R. (Herman Raffel) perfin on proper return address envelope." was a "no bid" lot.

Not reported by Jacob, but noted by several members, was an article reflecting on a problem of married stamp collectors (i.e., How to combine marital harmony with being a "pack rat") which appeared in the July 1987 issue of The American Philatelist.

John L. Needham (LM41), 9801 Dewey Drive, Garden Grove, CA 92641 wrote to let the members know that: The Bavarian catalog effort is moving along but kind of discouraging in that he keeps getting word of new material (to John) that he has not seen yet. John discovered three new types for the letter "E" on 27 June 1987 from information out of Europe. There still is time to volunteer for this project (See TPB for March 1987).

WANT ADS AND NOTICES

NOTICE Joe H. Crosby (non-member), 3707 East 66th. St., Tulsa, OK 74136 is interested in perfinned Schermacks and would welcome correspondence in this regard.

WANTED - The perfin P-4(P) of former member Steve Pavlina and a set of the "PF's" P80.1-P80.5. Contact Marvin Mech, 119B West Ash Street, Lombard, IL 60148.

WANT ADS AND NOTICES Con.

1987 ADDITIONS AND CORRECTION PAGES

Quite a few new, patterns are shown this time. Maybe you will have some of them. The corrections and replacement photos will also help update your catalog.

Send a check for \$1.50 payable to The Perfins Club, or \$1.00 cash and 3 postage stamps. Order from Harry Rickard, 1887 Altozano Drive, El Cajon, CA 92020.

NOTICE - PERFIN CLUB NEDERLAND

An enthusiastic group of Dutch perfin-collectors have formed a perfins club called PERFIN CLUB NEDERLAND. Additional information and details may be obtained from: William F. Baekers, P.O. Box 85 - 5150 AB DRUNEN Netherlands.

WANTED - Netherlands, Netherlands' Indies, Curacao and Netherlands' Surinam on and off cover or card. Please send description, such as pattern etc. and price wanted to: William F. Baekers, P.O. Box 85 - 5150 AB DRUNEN Netherlands.

WANTED Moline Plow Company Cover. Preferably a small size one. Send with your price or write first. P.R. Beutel, P.O. Box 15964, Colorado Springs, CO 80935.

NOTICE - Pattern C27 used by Chas. A. Schieren Co. Can anyone supply either the firms address or type of business. Also needed for verification of another cover with C27, which is believed to have been used for a response to an inquiry. Harry Rickard, U.S. Catalog Editor, 1887 Altozano Drive, El. Cajon, CA 9202.

WANTED - Roy Everett, 2 Coldnailhurst Avenue, Baintree, Essex CM7 7SJ, England requests that any member having Spanish Postal Savings Bank Stamps (Caja Postal de Ahorros) bearing perfins send him either a photocopy or the actual items. So far he has: CAJA POSTAL DE AHORROS (those underlined).

NOTICE - Periodic Mail Bid Sales - Sometimes with Perfins on cover - Catalog \$1.00. S.H. JEMIK, P.O. Box 753, Bowie, MD 20715.

WANTED - Perfins from Poland, Upper Silesia and Danzig on or off cover. All patterns needed. Send with price or will trade perfins from other countries. E.W. Neumann, P.O. Box 55, Hope B.C. VOX 1L0, Canada.

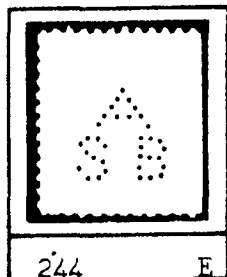
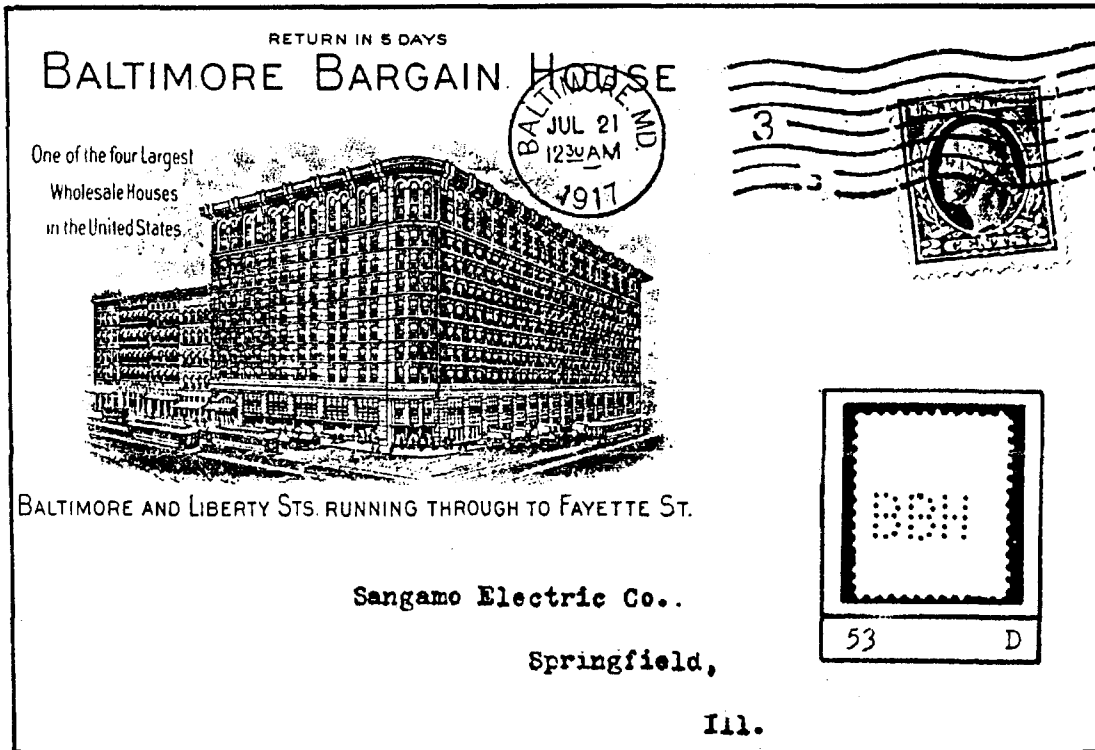
TRADES - Will trade cacheted First Day Covers and Plate Blocks for U.S. and foreign perfins I keep. Write R.L. Foley, 9 Haig Place, Apt. 604, Dunedin, FL 34698.

BILL ALLEN'S COVERS

His relentless pursuit of covers has enriched his holdings every year. Through the Bulletin, other members learn about them, too.

The Baltimore Bargain House cover shows an impressive building and trucks and trolleys of the period. The wholesalers' "BBH" perfin is pattern B53.

The second item illustrates pattern A224 of the American Sales Book Company, Limited of Elmira, NY.



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COLUMBIAN ISSUES

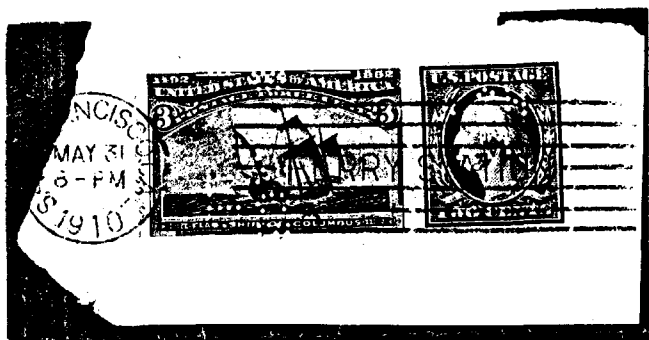
D.W. Andersen (#1898), 11/15 Bank Street, Meadowbank 21114
N.S.W., Australia

As the Columbian issues of 1892 were issued some 16 years before the first reported usage of perfins in the United States it is scarcely surprising that few with perfins have been reported. There had been considerable misguided speculation in the Columbian issues so that some were available as discount postage about the time that perfins were introduced. It has been suggested that companies could have purchased Columbian issues at a discount from face value, punctured them and then used them for postage.

The following items have been reported:

ACB/LD	on	50 cent Columbian (4 copies)
CBR/&Co	on	8 and 10 cent Columbian (1 copy each)
II	on	2 cent Columbian (Incomplete pattern)
JH	on	\$5.00 Columbian (reported sold for \$175.00 in 1974)
NCB	on	4 cent Columbian

In addition a copy of the 2 cent Columbian pattern with an indistinguishable pattern and a block of the 50 cent Columbian but no pattern recorded have been reported.



I can add one item to the above list, it is illustrated to the left: ACB/LD on a three cent Columbian. This stamp, on piece, accompanies a 2 cent carmine of the 1908-9 series also punctured ACB/LD. The piece is postmarked San Francisco, CA, May 31, 1910. This item does lend support to the idea that the Columbian issues could have been purchased as discount postage, punctured and used.

Surely more Columbians with perfins have been found or are they really that rare?

References: "Notes", Perfins, v.2.(1), May 1946, p.2.
"Would you believe a \$5.00 Columbian perfin?"
Perfins Bulletin, v.27(10), November/December 1974, p.18.
"Editors Corner", Perfins Bulletin, v.30(8), September 1977, p.2.
"Still More on Columbians", Perfins Bulletin, v.30(10), November/December 1977, p.4.
"Perfins on Early U.S. Issues", Perfins Bulletin v.31(31), March 1978, p.6.

SURVEY INFORMATION THE 1987 SURVEY SHEETS ARE PRINTED ON THE NEXT FOUR PAGES - PLEASE RESPOND.

Marking

Tabulating the count is easier if a RED WRITING PEN is used. A felt tip pen is best. "FLAIR" and "PILOT RAZOR TIP" are brands I use in red and black. NEVER use a MARKING pen. It bleeds through. Black is acceptable if red is not available.

Survey

How important? Thousands of new copies have been added to the pot since original rates were assigned to "C" perfins. That should tell you something. I would not spend many hours on survey work if it was not a necessity. Please do your share.

Beginners

Some new collectors and others with small collections have mentioned their material as not being important for a survey. They are mistaken. EVERY collection is important. No two persons will have the same stamps, only similar quantities.

Win a "B" rated perfin

Provided that we receive at least 100 returns, ten persons will be selected to receive a "B" rated perfin. Those with less than six hundred copies will be allotted four winners. THE WINNER CAN BE YOU.

Your Collection Size

Mark it in the allotted space on the form. The 15 largest will be published in the Bulletin along with your name unless if you note not to use it. Small collections - the two largest under 800 and the two smallest will also be listed with your name, except if you mention otherwise.

Your Extra Stamps

Do not overlook your duplicates and stamps on cover.

Partials

Do not count any splits or partials, unless they are shown that way in the catalog. A few copies are known that way until a member reports a better copy.

The Tally

When counting totals, I line up five sheets exposing the first column, then mark totals for each in small vacant space in the upper left portion of square. When doing the last column there are five pages spread out. The maximum I can conveniently work. Can anyone think of a better way to work and tally? Next, the count from all tally sheets are counted and marked on a master sheet which will be available for members.

Your Want List

By making a copy of your completed forms, you have a convenient want list easily kept up to date as more stamps are added to your collection.

The Survey Pages

Pages 1, 2, and 3 are all "C" rated items. Branch Offices are listed at the end of page 3. Do not be overcome by the quantity. No one has them all, I think.

Page Four

This is your opportunity to give proper ratings to listing on the A&C pages. On previous Shermack survey, not all were reported, hence no ratings on some. Please mark SCHERMACK form so all patterns will be correctly rated.

MANY THANKS FOR MARKING AND RETURNING THE FORMS

YOURS IS IMPORTANT

Harry Rickard

Do not list revenues
Use a red felt tip

Return to: Harry Rickard
1887 Altozano Dr.
El Cajon, CA 92020

Diagonal is one complete. "X" is two complete. Multiples dot or figure.

Use separate paper for remarks or information.

Example

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Perfins ratings are the life blood of collecting. They should be as accurate as possible. Each member shares the responsibility of reporting their holdings for maintaining correct ratings.

You need not do it all at one time. Spread it out if necessary. Try to have it completed and mailed before the Christmas rush. Your collection is important

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31	125	76	192	279	215	118	225	115	7	-8	-39	-3	-10	7	-16	-44A
32	134	77	194	282	22	119	25	117	9	-9	-40	-7	Ac	7a	-198	-51A
41	136	79	196	283	26	121	26	118.5	10	-12	-42	-10	-2	8	-23	-52
42	137	82	198	286	39	123	29.5	125	Z	-13	-43	-11	AB	13a	-34	-62
43	140	83	199	290	41	U	30	127	2	-14	-44	M-1	1	Cc	-41	-65
46	142	88	201	292	43	4	W	128	5	-18	-47	C356	2	1	-45	-61A
47A	145	91	202	297	435	9	1	129	NUMERALS	-19	C152	AX	9	3	-46	-68
50	151	92	207	301	44	9	3	130	4	-27	-8	C	10	5	-50	-69
52	154	92.5	209	302	45	13	4	133	8	-30.5	-15	J	12	9	-52	-72A
56	159	94	211	304	46	17	5	134	23	-31	-19	L	14	10	-53	-81
57	161	96	212	305	49	21	11	140	24	-33	AI	G72	ABb	11	-54	-88
60	162	97	217	306	50	22	16	141	25	-34	-2	-13	2	11a	-62	W199
63	169	98	219	309	51	25	17	144	27	-37	-4	-31	3	D	-63	-9.5
64	170	100	221	311	53	40	19	145	29	-38	-5	-37	5	5a	-66	-5
66	171	108	222	314	58	42	20	146	DES.	-40	-6	I 91	5a	13	9272	-6
67	S	109	223	316	59	45	24	146.5	2	-41	-7	-5	6a	Dd	-2	-8
68	4	109.5	224	318	60	46	31	150	4	-42	-11	-14	7	3a	-6	-13
69	7	112	225	330	68	50	35	156	7	A270	-14	-16	7a	P55	S338	-14
74	11	113	228	332	72	58	37	157	8	-5	-17	J96	12	.1	-7	-18
77	15	114	235	334	75	64	41	158	9	-6	-18	-4	13	.4	U82	-19
79	16	116	236	335	76	66	51	159	10	-12	-21	-9	14	.5	-2	W203
83	17	125	237	336	79	67	53	160	13	-13	-24	-10	B	.6	-6	-3
87.5	19	130	239	340	80	74	54	162	17	-16	B-3	L55	113B	.11	-7	-5
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93	22	137	245	347	84	79	56	165	21	-20	-12	-8	1a	-14	-15	MISC
99	23	140	246	349	86	80	58	167	23	B116	-23	L60	2	-15	-16	A270-10
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107	47	165	255	362	100	V	85	209	39	-17	-13	-5	BbDd	-32	-7	P119.3
108	49	166	256	365	101	4	91.5	210	40	-19	-14	-6	3	S195	-9	P22.8
109	50	173	259	T	102	7	98	211	42	-21	-15	-7	4	-2	-11	
111	58	174	2628	1	103	8	99	214	44	-23	G-2	N205	5	-6	-14	
113	60	177	263	3	105A	11	100	214.5		-24	-3	-1		-7	-19	
117	61	180	265	9	110	14	101	218		-26	-7	-2		-8	-29	

Advanced Collectors

Beginners Corner

Size-All different _____

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For survey total, don't overlook copies on cover, no pins missing and correct identity. All look-alikes are not always the same.

A & C 1, 2 and 3

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A	B	D	G	J	M	P	S	W	A	B	E	H	J	N	S
46A	192A	30A	72-18	2.5	289.5	170A	195-57A	39.5							
56.5	233.5	33A	72-2A	29	300A	174A	"-61.5	59A	140	194	1.5	120	165.5	113-13	39.8
	233A	39.7	72-6	104A	304.5	185A	204A	72-380	141	202	28A	162A	166	171	47.5
121.7	255	47.5	72-12	110A	N	208.5	204B	85A	162	299.5	138	172	L	O	57.7
157A	260A	51.5	72-17A	110.8	4	221A	204C	103.5	210	C	F	182	2.5	21.5	182.5
176A	262	72A	72-29A	K	54A	R	218.5	Y	221-28	4.5	62	185	18.3	24.3	322
24.5A	274.5A	93.2	72-42A	40A	54B	2.1	228A	13	270-10	10	185.5	210.3	40	26.5	T
190.5	283.5	115.7	72-46A	72.7	54C	3.5	272-85	PARIS WALS	B	59	194.5	2.11	49.5	71.5	112.5
220.5A	287.7	119.5	97.7	L	90.5C	66.3	273.5	C157.5	185	72-28	G	223	52	P	W
221-25	C	E	132A	1	102.5	75A	295A	D41	116-36	80.5	111.5	I	128	19	9.5
221-3A	240	13.95	154.5	13.5	113	86.5	336.5	093.2	1293	138	203.5	17.5	147	22.8	11.5
221-30.5A	28	36.5	155G	14.5	B1D1A	144	338-7A	D102.4	130	152-65	H	35	M	75.7	35.5
221-30.7	31.5A	47A	1550.5	21.5	113	S	T	G 75.5	121.5	154	24.5	66.5	93	89.5	81
221-32.5	86.3	51.5	157.5	47A	Cc1b	2-1A	6A	H116.5	170A	324	34.5	82	118	S	199-215
231A	105.5	55.5	165A	61.5	113	2-13A	75A	P203.5	182	D	58	114	145	21.5	203.8
254.5	127.5	80	187A	80A	Dd1A	2-21A	81A	R 33.5	188	89B	115.5	80.5	235	39	
243.5	144.5	84.5	196.5	92.5	119.5	50.5	81B	S128.1	SCHERMACKS						
255.5	152-3.5	85.5	H	116.5	175	51	81C	V 19.5	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
265.5		95.5	30.1	128.5	175A	53.5	81D	Z 1.2	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
B	152A-9A	138.5	57A	120A	192A	84.5	81E	G27.5	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
0.5	"C-8.5	F	97A	156A	204.5	88.5	97A	DES	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
1.5	"C19A	20.5	109A	158A	208.5	91.2	98A	35.2	29	30	31	32	33	34	35
3A	"018.5	32.5	117.5	187.6	212.5	99A	118.3	51	36	37	38	39	40	41	42
31.6	152H-.5	74.5	175A	M	O	110.5	U	52	43	44	45	46	47	48	49
46A	C185.7	99.7	183.5	20.8	1.5	114.5	41A	53	50	51	52	53	54	55	56
87.5	214.5	110A	185.5	40.5	19.5	114.5A	53A		57	58	59	60	61	62	63
75	214.7	122A	206A	57A	34.5	144.3	55A		64	65	66	67	68	69	70
81.5	216.5	125.5	218A	101A	70.5	149A	72A		71	72	73	74	75	76	
100A	219.5	132A	229.5	111A	81A	154A	77.3		12-1	12-2	12-3	12-4	12-5	12-6	12-7
106.5	238.5	164A	230.5	146A	P	160	104.5		12-8	12-9					EXP.
118-43A	252A	202A	I	167.7	24A	196A	V								
149.5	252B	214.5	4.5	194A	53.3	170.7	205								
153A	296.5	220	7	203.5	96A	191.5	22.6								
181.5	323A	G	44	218.5	102A	195-15A	W								
186A	356P	49B	74.5	257A	1213	"-19A	13A								
187B	360.5	70A	122.5	279.5	176A	"-365	16A								
188A	385A	72-1A		284	167A	"-37A	38A								

TO OUR MEMBERS IN MANY COUNTRIES

Please list any U.S. perfin listed on survey forms if you are able to identify those you have by Perfin Club catalog numbers.

Thank you

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Harry Rickard, U.S. Catalog Editor
1887 Altozano Dr., El Cajon, CA 92020

The PL photo is one half of a strip of ten found among the effects of the late L.R. Murray. It is marked as from the files of the American Perforator Company.

The old catalog did not list the PL pattern. Our new catalog showed it minus the seriph. Finding a complete copy, resulted in a replacement photo being shown in Additions and Corrections Number Two (A&C #2) as P119.3. A survey of 1985 A&C listings gave it an "A" rating. The previous non-seriph pattern was rated "B".

By this time, there must be enough copies around to lower the rating. Be sure to mark it on the October Bulletin survey forms if you have one. P119.3 carries a Johnstown cancel,. Whether the machine was assigned to this city is not known as yet. The P.L. stands for Pennsylvania Lines, a branch of the Pennsylvania R.R. It is found on early 2 cent perforated 11 issues.

For Auction Watchers . . .

S.H. JEMIK's Mail-Bid Sale 37 held on September 30, 1987 contained the following lots of interest to Perfin collectors:

- 294 1910 mailed Post card w/Perfin tied by NY cncl - Joseph WILD & CO. (PH) ECV \$10.00
- 310 Lot 4 Postcards w/color views of Various Court Houses /Post Offices - mailed from Milwaukee 1908 w/1 cent Perfin stamps + adv blurbs - Re: Johnson System Temperature Regulators installed in Government buildings: JOHNSON SERVICE CO - G-VG. ECV \$25.00
- 633 Lot 10 PPcrds - most used w/Perfins - all early 1900's - VG asst. ECV \$15.00

We have requested the prices realised on these three lots and they will be reported when received. JEMIK defines ECV as "Estimated Current Value." The sale includes a total of 3,062 lots and the catalog is profusely illustrated. If you would like to receive this company's next catalog send \$1.00 in stamps or coins to: S.H. JEMIK, P.O. Box 753, Bowie, MD 20715.

A MANCHOUKUO PERFIN

Eugene D. Alpern (#2049)
3030 Temple Street, Los Angeles, CA 90026

The Yokohama Specie Bank (Yokohama "shō-kin" Bank) for many years employed the use of perfins in its mailings. It adopted as its perfin the Japanese character, "shō" from the word "shokin" or specie. Examples of this perfin are shown in Figures 1 through 6 as used in the head office and in various branches. They are listed in Adachi's perfin catalog as Numbers Q26 through Q31. (Note: An 18-hole variety presumably used by the Moji branch has been reported by a collector. The Yokohama Specie Bank also employed a Roman letter perfin "Y.S.B." listed in Adachi as Numbers G72 through G75.

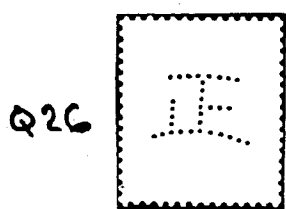


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Yokohama &
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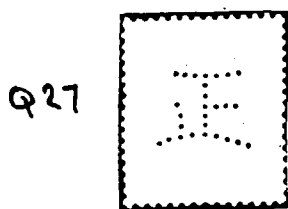


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Nagoya

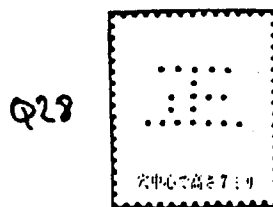


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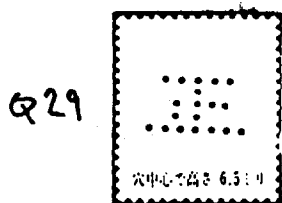


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Kobe, Osaka

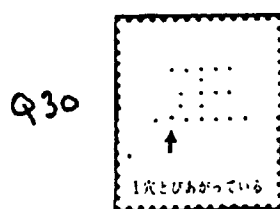


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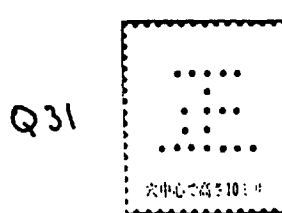


Figure 6
Dairen

The late Helen Zirkle, a noted authority on the stamps of Manchoukuo, wrote an article for Linn's Stamp Weekly in 1957 in which she stated that she had found about twenty copies of the Manchoukuo 6-fen scenic stamp (Scott Catalogue Number 90) with the perforated character "shō". She contacted Takeo Yamashita, former head of the stamp section of the Manchoukuo government who recalled that several businesses had been given permission to use the privilege of private control perforating, but that it had been seldom used. Mrs. Zirkle pursued the matter further and received the following reply from the manager of the Bank of Toyko, Ltd., successor to the Yokohama Specie Bank:

We are very glad to inform you of the outcome of our investigation of the matters we made from several people formerly employed by the Y.S.B.

According to the stories narrated by these people, perforation was made on all stamps either in the form of the letter 'SHŌ' or 'Y.S.B.' not only for the Manchoukuo Branch but by other offices for the purpose of preventing their private use. They were perforated on the day of purchase. Such perforations seems to have been authorized by the postal authorities concerned.



Figure 7

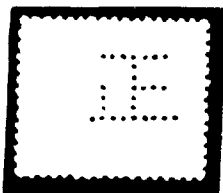


Figure 8

I recently purchased at auction a copy of the Manchoukuo 6-fen with the character "shō" (Figure 7). One of its previous owners had attempted to enhance the pattern by applying a black felt tip pen; additionally the previous owner had applied ink to places where there appears to have been no punch hole, partial or otherwise. Perhaps the previous owner thought the pattern was the letters "I" and "E" joined together. By whitening out the three "holes" which were added in ink, I got the pattern shown in Figure 8, which I believe to be the original pattern, the character "shō" in 27 holes. I would appreciate hearing from anyone having a Manchoukuo perfin advising if my assumptions are correct.

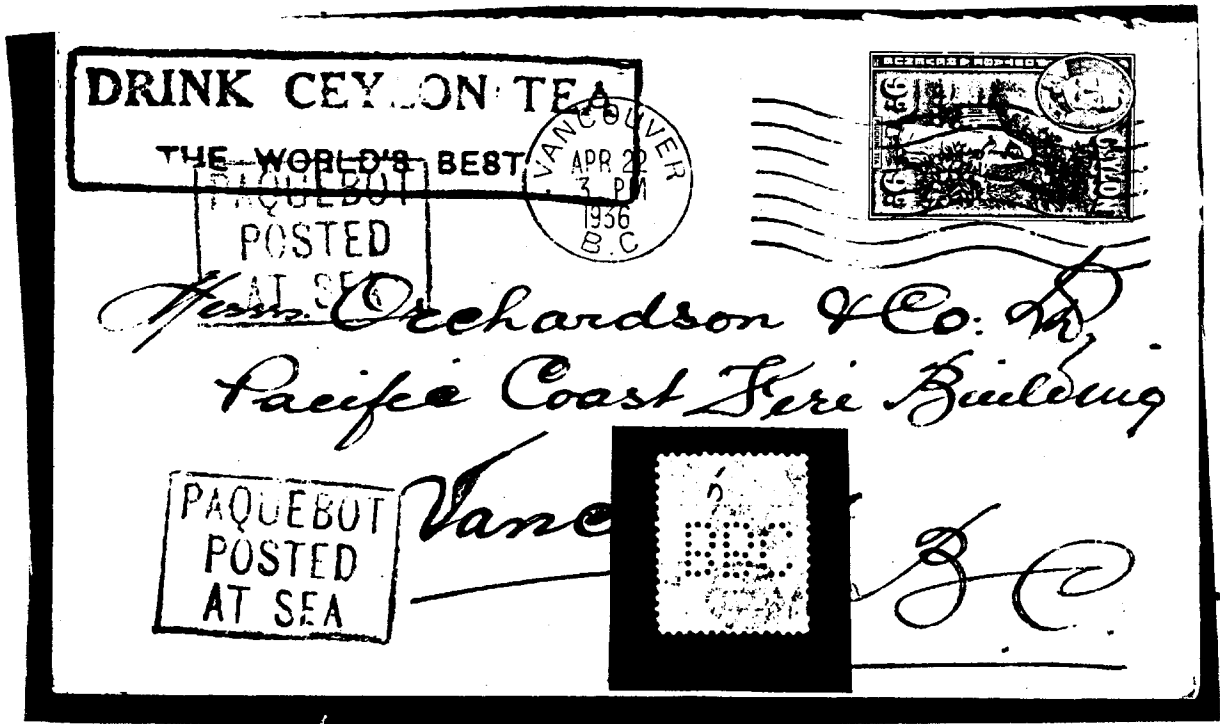
CATALOG RATE NOTICE - M49.5

Harry Rickard, U.S. Catalog Editor, 1887 Altozano Drive, El Cajon, CA 92020

Pattern M49.5 was listed as a "B" rating in the 1987 U.S. Catalog. Shortly after the catalog was released additional copies of this pattern were found and M49.5's rating was changed to "E". This was published on page 7 of the "pen and ink" corrections of Additions and Corrections (A&C) Pages 1-82. A member who has a large number of this pattern notified me that somehow the rating change was not included in the rating changes that were published in the July/August 1982, January 1985, nor the July/August 1986 editions of The Perfins Bulletin. This points up the need to incorporate A&C pages into a separate catalog unit of your catalog. If your catalog still lists M49.5 as a "B" rating please change it to an "E".

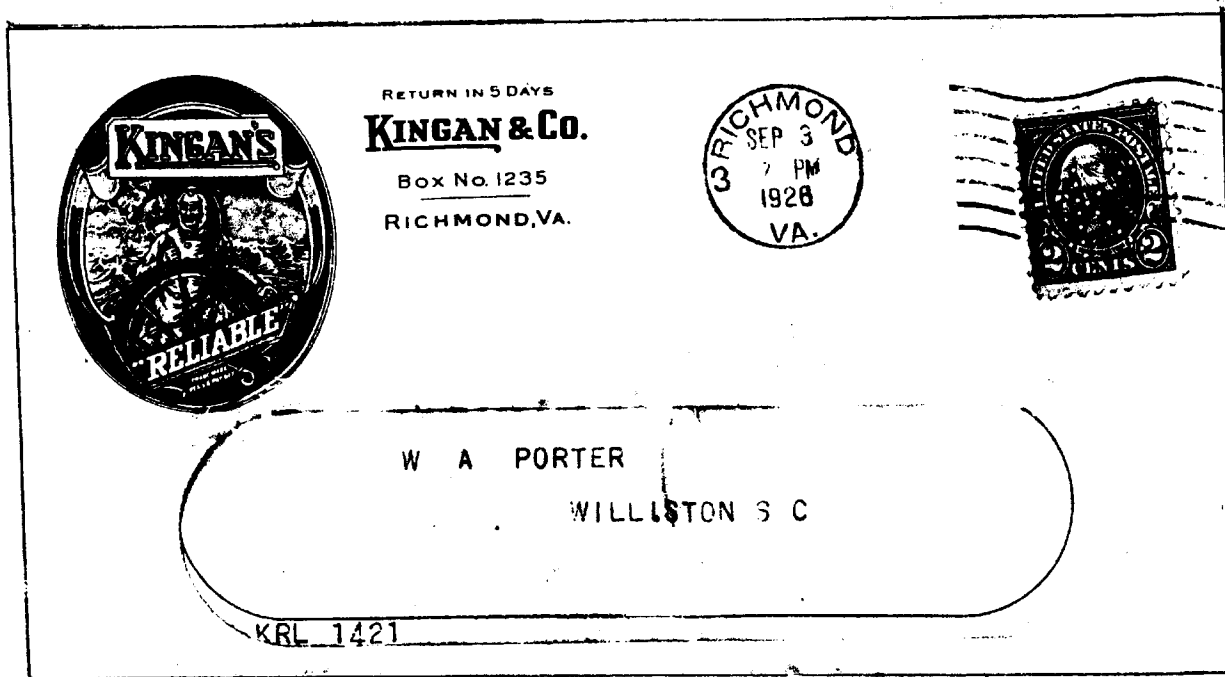
TRIPLE HEADER

The Ceylon (now Sri Lanka) cover illustrated on the next page shows: (1) The Brooke Bond Tea Perfin "BBC" (inverted on the inset photograph), (2) a Paquebot cancel, and (3) a rubber stamp advertisement - "DRINK CEYLON TEA, THE WORLD'S BEST." Where do you put this cover in a general collection? Thanks to W. Turney (#1538), 1306 Cottonwood Cr., North Vancouver, B.C., Canada, V7P 1K9.



KINGAN & CO. RICHMOND, VA

This set of illustrations are a find of I.L. Pfalser (#765), Route 1, Caney, KS 67333. On the cover, the company's logo is printed in red, yellow, and blue. The perfin on a two cent Washington red is "K" (pattern K4 with one hole missing in the upper arm). Postmark and corner card show Richmond, VA. The back of the envelope repeats the logo colors with the package outline in blue. The lettering at the top is blue and that on each side is in red. Not shown is the enclosed bill for "10/12 FAT BACKS" 127 pounds @ \$.1475/lb for a total of \$18.73.



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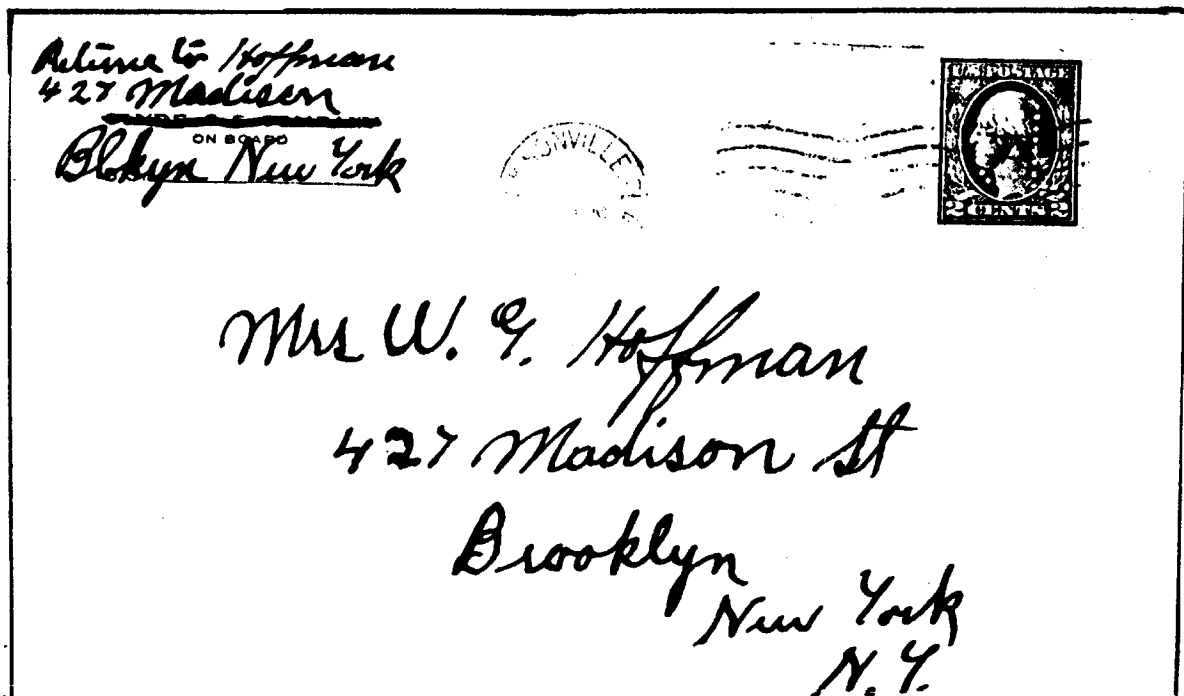
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PERSONAL USE OF C182

It is not unusual for people to use the firm's stamps for personal purposes. While perfins did diminish this practice it did not eliminate it completely. In this case, Mr. Hoffman mailed his wife in Brooklyn, NY a letter from Jacksonville, FL using the Clyde Steamship Lines' C182 perfin.



REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

In accordance with Section 6-1 of the Club Bylaws, Richard L. Mewhinney has been duly nominated for the office of the President of The Perfins Club. Although "Dick" had not sought the nomination, he agreed to continue in office.

In accordance with Section 6-2B, the Secretary will cast the ballot for the membership. The new term of the President will start January 1, 1988.

/s/ John L. Needham
Chairman, Nominating Committee

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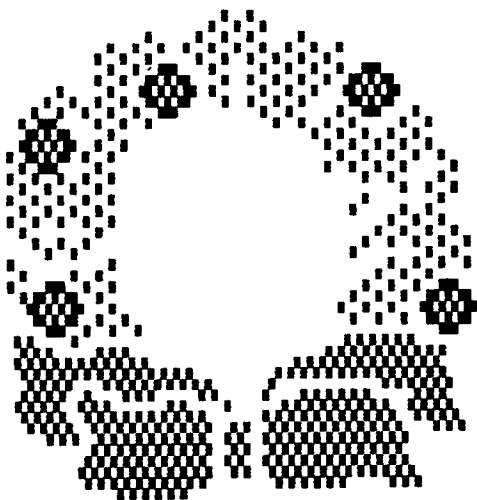
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- 26L Young, Frank; 2020 Grant St., Concord, CA 94520
- LM25 Cummings, William W.; 510 Arrowhead Dr., Sidney, OH 45365
- 2233 Moser, Howard A.; 1409 13th. St., Highland, IL 62249
- 2231 Shrimplin, Lejuan; 3185 Wildcat Creek Rd., Manhattan, KS 66502
- 2205 Perkins, Walter H.; P.O. Box 588, Carmel, IN 46032
- L101 Smetsers, Willem A.; Kastanje-str. 39, 5922 CA Venlo, Netherlands
- 2344 Braun, Richard H.; 3042 Evergreen Dr., Fairfield, CA 94533

Summary:	Members as of May 31, 1987	822
	New Members	+12
	Reinstated	+ 1
	Deceased	- 2
	Resigned	- 5
	Members as of July 31, 1987	828

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CLUB NEWS

MEWINNEY REELECTED

September 13, 1987

Pursuant to receipt of two signed nominations and a signed acceptance, by this office, and abiding by the By-Laws of the organization I hereby cast the necessary ballot electing Richard L. Mewhinney as President for the succeeding year. This is a continuance in office as he is currently the incumbent.

/s/ Ralph W. Smith
Secretary,
The Perfins Club

A note of explanation.
The Club's By-Laws require that:

1. The President shall appoint a nominating committee no later than July 1 prior to an election.
2. The committee shall receive recommendations of candidates from members prior to September 1.
3. All recommendations must be signed by at least two members and must contain the written agreement of the person so nominated that he is willing to serve.
4. The nominating committee will notify the membership of its proposal via the October issue of the Bulletin.

There being no other candidate for this office, the Secretary cast the only vote necessary. The fact that this notice was not published in the October Bulletin had nothing to do with the fact that the Editor incorrectly identified that issue as "September 1987."

CORRECTION

The previous issue of this publication was incorrectly identified as Whole Number 402, September 1987. It in fact was Volume XL, Number 9, Whole Number 403. The October Perfins Bulletin consisted of pages 141-160 and contained the Survey of C rated perfins.

SURVEY

The Previous issue of the Bulletin contained a four page insert in the center. Please fill out the survey form and mail your entry to Harry Rickard, 1887 Altozano Drive, El Cajon, CA 92020. Please read the following important survey information.

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IMPORTANT SURVEY INFORMATION

Harry Rickard reports that an error was made in the "U" and "W" columns of "C" rated copies.

After W70, delete 80,84,85,91.5,98 and 99. They are repeats of the "U" items.

On a separate paper, list these and mark those which you have and send them for inclusion in the survey totals:

W78, 79, 81, 82, 83, 86, 89, 91, 96, 97 and U18, 20 and 82-9.

U18 was a former "D" elevated to "C". It is important that all changed rating items receive their first major member count.

Survey results will be known shortly after all forms are received and counted. Winners of a "B" rated perfin will be published in the Bulletin. each person returning a survey form will have a 1 in 10 chance if 100 forms are received and 1 in 15 if 150 forms are received. I am waiting to hear from you.

Harry Rickard
U.S. Catalog Editor

Auction

Auction Number 40 was published as pages 122 to 127 of the September Bulletin. The Auction closes on January 2, 1987. Mail your auction bids to Ed Linn, 1211 Arroyo Grande Drive, Sacramento, CA 95864 today. Don't put it off and let it get lost in the holiday season rush.

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AWARD WINNERS

Our secretary, Ralph Smith, brought my attention to the following:

Two Club members' won awards at BALPEX, the annual show of the Baltimore Philatelic Society.

Kent J. Kobersteen (#1607) was awarded a VERMEIL and the Sol Glass memorial award for his exhibit of, "The Beacon Airmail Stamp of 1928."

Dr. Willy E. Melberg (#2263) was awarded a VERMEIL and a SCC Bronze for, "The Numeral Cancels of Denmark".

The Club's congratulations to these members, who do something other than collect perfins.

FOR AUCTION WATCHERS

Vance Auctions Ltd., P.O.Box 267, Smithville, Ontario, Canada LOR 2A0 auction closing on October 16, 1987 had these lots of interest to auction bidders. We have requested prices realised and they will be published upon receipt. If you write to Vance auctions they will send you their next auction catalog. Subscription rate is \$10.00 per year.

LOT 16. CANADA OFFICIAL PERFIN SHEET. * 0257, A sheet of 50 of the 10 cent war issue with the 4 hole OHMS perfin (Plate #3 at LR). Right side selevage is missing. F-VF, NH Retail \$300.00.....Est 100.00

LOT 155. CANADA OFFICIAL PERFINS. * 249-62, C7-8. The complete war issue with 4-hole OHMS perfins. Useful duplication incl 50 cent (2), a few pairs and a block, varieties of positions, etc. Spots of gum toning on 262, otherwise F-VF. Retail \$299.00 (33).....Est 85.00

LOT 201. CANADA PERFINS COLLECTION. @ A lovely collection of private perfins from late QV to recent. Apparently all diff in one way or another (issues, companies, etc). Some flts but mainly VF-G+ (330)Est 60.00

LOT 202. CANADA PRIVATE PERFINS. @ A large collection of private perfins from Edwardian to recent. All seem to be diff in one way or another (issues, companies, etc) and incl better values. Some flts but mainly VG-F+ (530).....Est 130.00+

344. GR. BRITAIN PERFINS @ Unsorted duplicated accumulation of perfins mounted on pages plus some on stockcards. All are QV, KE and KGV definitives. Unchecked by us (Over 900).....Est 50.00+

LOT 518. GR. BRITAIN PERFINS @ An accumulation of early to modern perfins incl QV (35), KE VII (50), KGV (65 stamps, 4 covers), etc. Usual mix of conditions, but incl values to 2sh 6p (200 stamps, 4 covers).....Est 60.00

LOT 519. AUSTRALIA AND STATES PERFINS. @ A small lot of mainly earlier Australia with various perfins. Usual mix of conditions and duplication (130).....Est 22.50

LOT 772 FOREIGN PERFINS COLLECTIONS/ACCUMULATION @* Algeria/Venezuela. A partially written up and identified collection of perfins from 42 countries.

Strength in Denmark (105), Italy, Germany, plus surprising quantities of Romania (40), Hungary (34), etc. Nearly all used with the usual duplication and mix of conditions (720 stamps, one cover).....Est 120.00

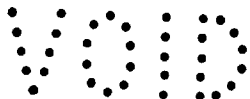
LANE BRYANT CREDIT SLIPS

F.J. Miller (212L), P.O. Box 173, Langlois, OR 97450-0173 wrote to provide additional information concerning Edward S. Hoyt's, "A 'NEW' LANE BRYANT PERFORATION" reported in TPB (Jul/Aug 1987, p. 140).

He provided the clipping, reproduced below, which reported Lane Bryant's use of pattern L34 "LB" in an 1973 edition of TPB. That card was from the collection of Mrs. Barbara Kloss. Joe also reports that:

Please note that L-34 was produced by a multiple die head machine (5 or 10) head spaced to perforate postage stamps. I'd like to suggest the "LB" pattern on Mr. Hoyt's card was intended as a cancel as the overall size does exceed 1/2" x 1/2" and it has oversize holes. The machine is of more sturdy construction, for rougher use.

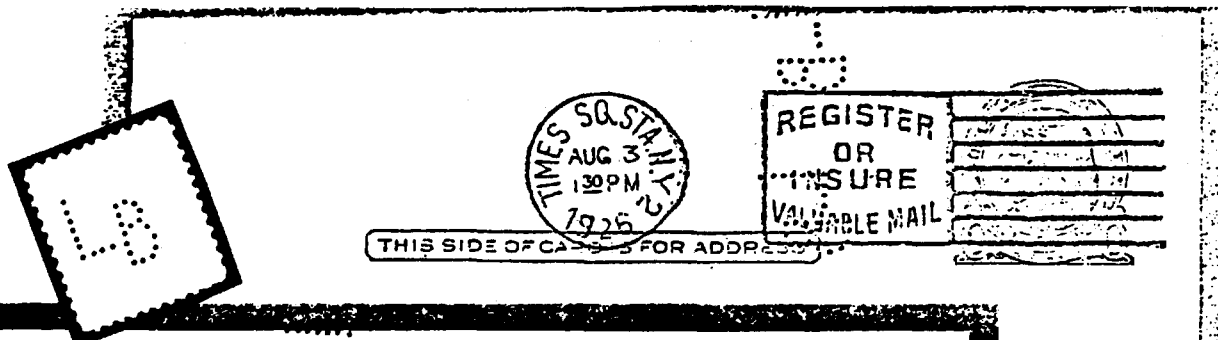
I believe Mrs. Kloss' postal card was perforated by the "postage" machine as the larger "canceller" was not handy. The machine was probably similar to the illustrated "VOID" made by a Cummins Perforator Company Model 15 which is shown below along with a changeable dater of the American Perforator Company, Model 19



Cummins Perforator Co.
Model 15



American Perforator Co.
Model 19



No 90437

CREDIT CARD

WE have received your order and after figuring up your bill, we find there is a balance due you of THREE cents.

WHEN this card is RETURNED to us by the customer to whom it is issued, it will be accepted as cash for the amount stated above.

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CENTS
DOES NOT EXCEED
ONE DOLLAR

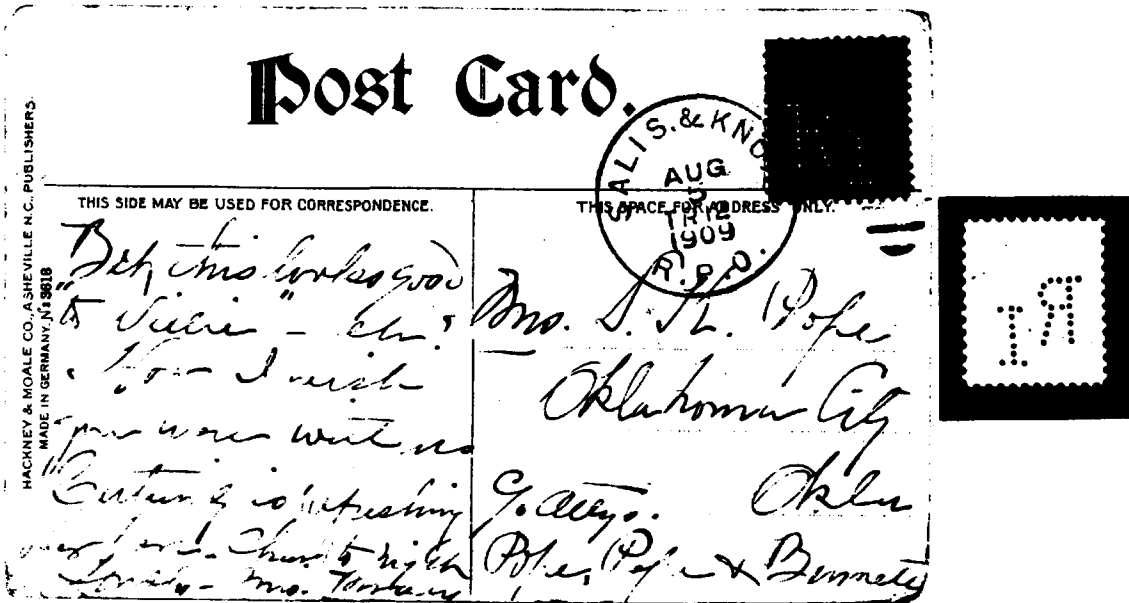
TOM ALLISON'S EXHIBIT PAGE

Illustrated below is a reduced size (90%) of a page from a local exhibit designed by Tom Allison (#2004) which illustrates an illegal use of perfin pattern R75 "RI".



AN IMPROPER PERFIN USAGE ??

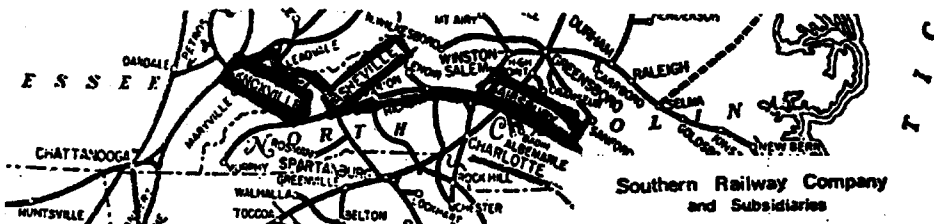
The whole idea of perfins is to prevent use of company postage for personal mail. Shown below is a postcard showing an apparent unauthorized use of a perfin stamp with design R-75 "RI" belonging to the Rock Island Railroad.



The card is postmarked "SALIS & KNOX R.P.O." and was published by a company in Asheville, N.C. A little research on R.P.O.'s reveals that the Southern Railway had a train between Salisbury, N.C. and Knoxville, Tenn. via Asheville, as is shown by the Southern Railway map below.

We can visualize a scenario in which Mrs. Brady, as a Rock Island employee or relative, took a vacation. As was the custom, she had a railroad pass letting her ride free on other railroads. Taking along a supply of stamps from the Rock Island offices, she set out from home (in Oklahoma City ?) and headed east on the train. On the way, she stopped at Asheville, bought some postcards and wrote one to her friend Mrs. Pope back home. It was mailed at Asheville and put on the westbound Salisbury & Knoxville train towards Oklahoma. On the card, Mrs. Brady wrote "Certainly is refreshing over here - Char. (probably Charlotte, N.C.) tonight".

All this to save a penny ?



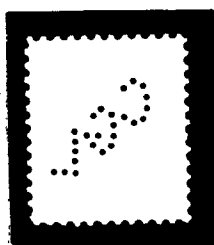
PERFINS ON THE FIRST U.S. AIRMAILS - 1918

Joe R. Kirker (#1777), Box 360, Lansing, IL 60438

As a specialist in the U.S. airpost of 1918 for the past two decades, I have attempted to cover all phases of collecting. Perfins on these issues (Scott Catalogue Numbers C1-C3) have been difficult to locate with any variety, as well as in quantity.

To date, the following represents the patterns in my collection:

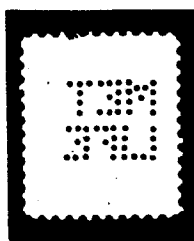
(24 cent carmine rose and blue, issued May 13, 1918, C3)



C139



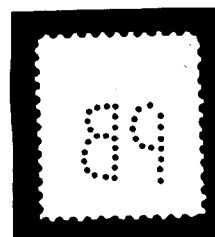
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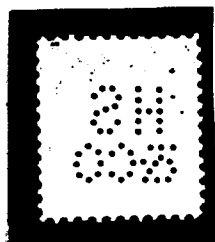


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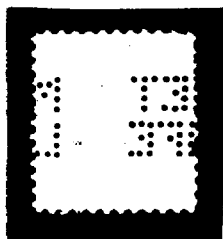


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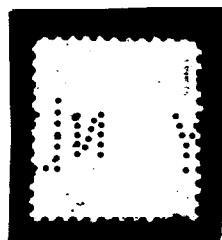
(16 cent green, issued July 11, 1918, C2)



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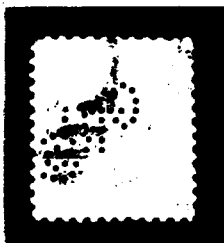


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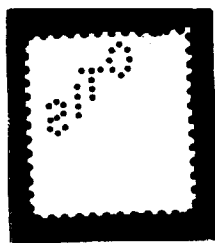


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Can you help?

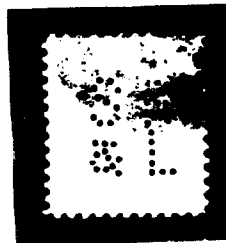
(6 cent orange, issued December 10, 1918, C1)



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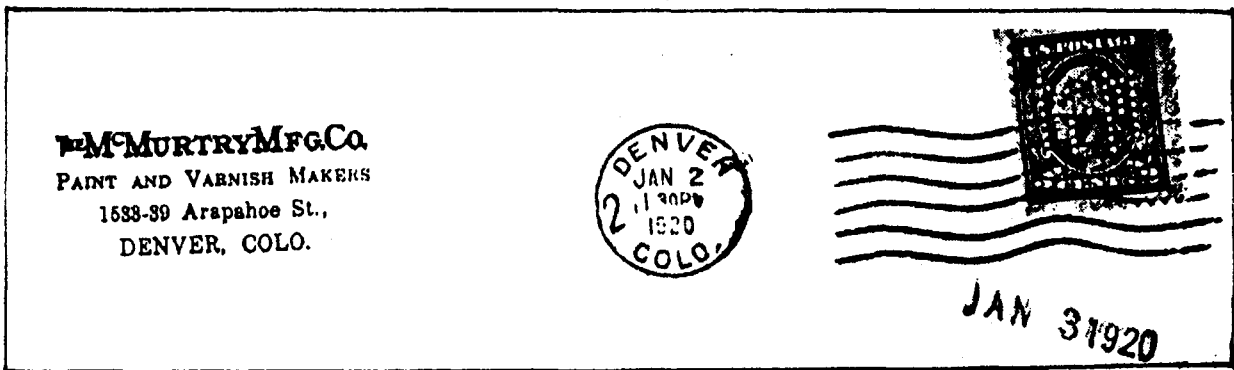


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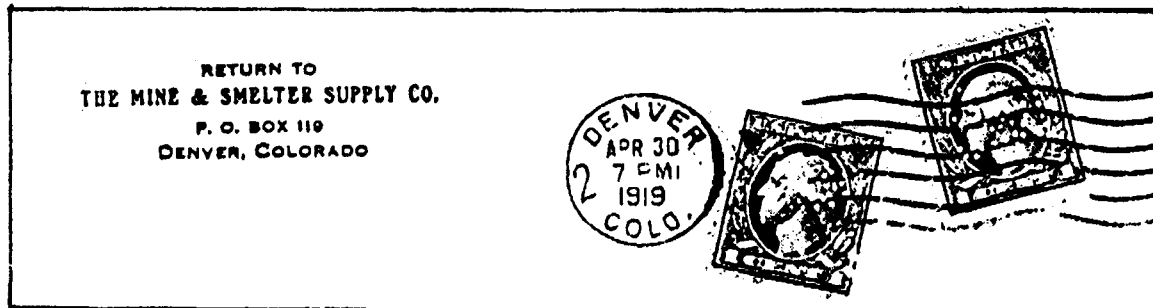
All of the examples illustrated have been canceled and none are precanceled. I am interested in adding new patterns as well as varieties and especially copies on cover to the collection. Are there other specialists among our members?

DAVE SMITH'S FOURSOME

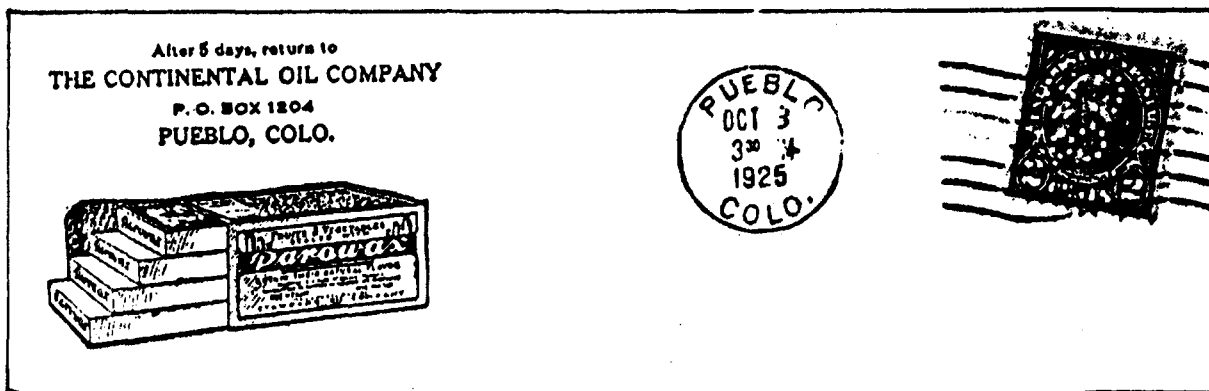
While at the Indianapolis Spring Precancel Show, Dave (#1514), 125 West 6th. Street, Rochester, IN 46975 found these goodies in a dealers cover box. Each verifies users of their particular pattern. Have you been haunting dealers at shows you have attended? It certainly pays off. Cover sizes have been reduced to save space.



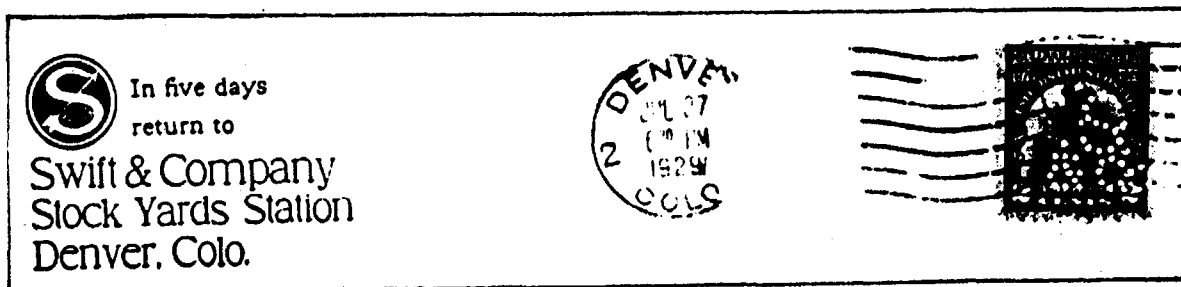
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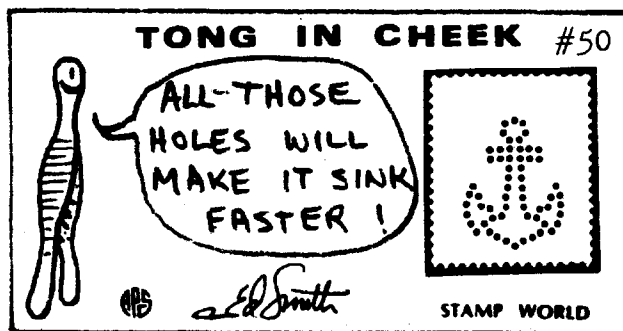
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TONG in CHEEK

The cartoon "Tong in Cheek" is provided to us by courtesy of the artist, Ed. Smith of Payson, AZ. Our thanks to Ed; to Jacob Kisner, for bringing this cartoon series to our attention; and to Jim Archbold of The Stamper who made the final arrangements. We hope that this is just the first of a long engagement.



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CLIP FILES includes miscellaneous clippings about a particular topic or country.

WORKSHEETS are drafts of potential catalogs. They are not final listings. They are constantly subject to change. If you have material not included on a worksheet, please contact: Robert J. Schwerdt, 9 Memory Lane, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603.

REQUESTS will be filled as rapidly as possible. Obviously, some volumes are more popular than others and there are waiting lists for them. That's why it is so important that you return material promptly.

SPECIAL LIBRARY RATE may be used to return material to the library, but the package must be clearly addressed to the Perfins Club Library, 904 Miami Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15228.

SUGGESTIONS that will keep you in good standing with the Librarian and the post office:

- o Don't include personal notes when you return material by library rates. The USPS frowns on such and they do check. One member got stunned for \$4.75 postage due on a six-line note.
- o Please make sure you return the library charge sheet included with the shipment when it is sent to you. That's how the Librarian keeps up with things.
- o Please make sure to reimburse the Librarian for the postage used on the shipment to you. Reimbursement in U.S. funds or stamps only, please...no foreign stamps

Other than a small charge for the cost of mailers used, The Perfins Club does not make a service charge for use of the Library. Your help in making sure that the library material is packed carefully, returned promptly, and protected while in your possession is appreciated.

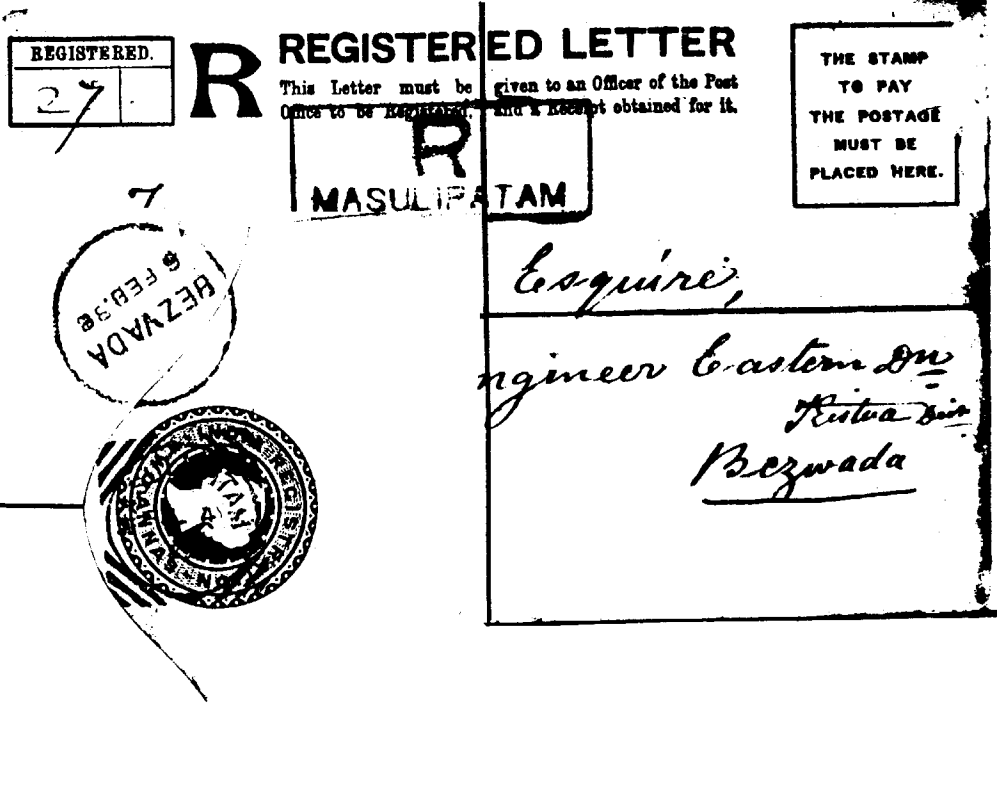
(*) - The reason is a result of the tremendous increase in international postage rates. The Library will; however, provide copies of any library material to any member anywhere in the world at the rate of \$.15 per page plus the cost of postage.

ADDRESS ALL REQUESTS AND CORRESPONDENCE concerning the library to THE PERFINS CLUB LIBRARY, F.R. ELLWANGER, LIBRARIAN, 904 MIAMI AVENUE, PITTSBURGH, PA 15228.

Library Holdings are listed on the next 12 pages which are numbered L12-L13 on the upper right hand side. This page, L1, is also page 168 of the NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 1987 BULLETIN. Pages L2-L13 correspond to pages 169-180 of the NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 1987 BULLETIN.

LOCAL FUNDS SERVICE PERFIN
ON COVER - 1888 INDIA

Norman J. Collins (nonmember), 21 Torrington Drive,
Thingwall, Hesswall, Merseyside, L61 7UZ, U.K.



Though not a collector of perfins, I purchased a cover with "L.F.S." perfins because of its unusual nature. In fact, I am a rather unorthodox collector of postal history, having no set theme or country. Mainly I collect covers which are of an unusual nature or which have a story behind them.

So far this cover has not been fully researched, though a friend who used to collect India told me that these are the first examples of the "L.F.S." perfins he has seen on cover.

The covers seem to be of official nature and if any reader can give me more information, I would be pleased to hear from them.

Ed's note: Members may reply to the editor and their information will be published in the Bulletin and I will forward an advanced copy to Mr. Collins. Mr. Collins has provided us with a lead on several perfin articles and he is conducting research into Foreign Post Offices in the Holy Land as well as having recently published a monograph addressing postal matters in the archives of the Palestine Mandate. Additionally, Mr. Collins is in need of reference materials concerning the use of Jewish firms perfins on French stamps.

ADDITIONAL CLUB NEWS

IMPORTANT SURVEY INFORMATION

From: Harry Rickard, U.S. Catalog Editor, 1887 Altozano Drive, El Cajon, CA 9202

While marking the survey forms from material in my own collection, I noticed a few things to bring to the members attention, regarding the published survey forms:

- o In the "C" group listing, A118 should be A117. Change B139 to B137. Omit B211 as it is a partial of B289. In the new Additions and Corrections (A&C), you will find a photo showing why pattern L181 has been deleted. Do not mark it on the survey form.
- o When you have any "C" copies not shown on the survey form, list them on a separate paper and mail them with the forms. I did overlook some.
- o This would be a good time to review the status of patterns changed to a "C" rating after the 1981-82 survey. Most were former "B" ratings and a few were scarcer "D" or "E" ratings. Please list them on a separate sheet of paper.
- o Continual monitoring will assure that members can buy or sell, knowing that the patterns are rated fairly.

DON'T FORGET

There are new patterns and also new varieties you may have without knowing it until you check the new, 1987 Additions and Corrections (A&C) pages.

I will have them available until December 31, 1987. After January 2, 1988, they may be obtained from THE PERFINS CLUB, 5109 A Street, Lincoln, NE 68510. Make a check for \$1.50 to THE PERFINS CLUB, or send \$1.00 and three stamps. If you order from me, I will use **AMERIPEX 86 PRESIDENTS**.

Harry Rickard
1887 Altozano Drive
El Cajon, CA 92020

WANT ADS AND NOTICES

Want ads and notices are published without charge to Club members on a space available basis. Non-members' items are also published on a space available basis if they are considered of interest.

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SPANISH PERFINS - Catalogue of Spanish Perfins - 1987 Edition. Features: 21 A4 pages, 405 illustrations, 210 identities, 15 user locations only, added section on the Caja Postal de Ahorros stamps bearing perfins. Catalog price: U.K. L5.30 (including p/p), overseas L6.30 (including air p/p). Current US \$ equivalent \$11.00 cash. Roy Everett, 2 Coldnailhurst Avenue, Braintree, Essex, CM7 7SJ, England.

NOTE This is not a Perfins Club sponsored project.

EXHIBIT PERFIN MATERIAL FOR AUCTION

Send bids to Edwin L. Stuntzner, 1003 Exchange Street, Emporia KS 66801.

Lot No.	Starting bids given.	MB - MINIMUM BID
1.	Plate of Cummins Machine #52. Specifications & other data.	MB \$ 1.00
2.	Plate of Cummins Machine #53.	MB \$ 1.00
3.	Plate of Cummins Machine #56.	MB \$ 1.00
4.	Cummins Certificate of Identity & Ownership (in color)	MB \$ 1.25
5.	B F Cummins Perforated Cover: Date 1915; A rare beauty.	MB \$15.00
6.	A letter business head perforated THE AMERICAN PERFORATOR CO; The date is perforated 1.4.49 (The other Chicago Co.)	MB \$ 4.00
7.	Canal Zone; \$1 Air Mail C14 Two "P"s punched sideways; Panama Canal & Panama RR	MB \$20.00
8.	Official Switzerland (9 hole cross) 9 different stamps.	MB \$12.00
9.	Parcel Post Complete, 12 Stamps	MB \$50.00
10.	Regular Issue of 1902-03, 7 stamps Scott 300,303,304,306,307, 308, & 319	MB \$ 4.50
11.	Pair of Scott #480, Cat Value \$115 perfin "FRB/SF". Might consider splitting if two buyers desire.	MB \$40.00
12.	Franklin Heads, 9 different stamps	MB \$ 3.00
13.	Scott 367, Perfin I22	MB \$ 1.00
14.	Scott 650, Perfin N183	MB \$ 1.00
15.	Perfins tied into subject, 14 items mounted for exhibit.	MB \$ 1.25
16.	First page format for exhibit, 1/2 to 5.00 (Scott 573), Monograms Numbers, Designs, Postage Meter & Comment.	MB \$ 1.25
17.	Perforated Cover (7 punches) N 113B6	MB \$ 3.00
18.	Tunisia: Punched with a large "T", used for postage due from 1888-1901. 8 different stamps	MB \$ 4.00

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19. Tasmania: Official "T"; date 1929 - Mount Wellington. MB \$ 1.00
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20. Hungary (Officials) 12 different stamps MB \$ 1.50
During 1921-24 various stamps various stamps then current were punched with three holes forming a triangle.

P. E. VAURS SUCCESSEUR PERFIN

The covers shown on the next page, addressed to Fulda, Germany were posted with a French perfin used by P.E. Vaurs Successeur of Bouscat-Bordeaux, France. Can anyone provide Ed. Fisher (#2220), Box 3801, San Angelo, TX with details on the perfin design used?

P. E. VAURS SUCESSEUR
BOUSCAT-BORDEAUX



Herrn

P. E. VAURS SUCESSEUR
BOUSCAT-BORDEAUX



*Herrn
Franz Reinhardt
Wibben*

ALLEMAC

Fulda

ALLEMAGNE

Herrn - Name

U. S. CATALOG CORRECTION

Harry Rickard, U.S. Catalog Editor, 1887 Altozano Drive, El, Cajon, CA 92020

After 6 days, return to
NATIONAL TUBE COMPANY,
 Statler Office Building,
 20 Providence Street,
 BOSTON, MASS.

Please add this office of the National Tube Company using pattern N163:

BOSTON, MA.

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Secretary is Ralph W. Smith, R.R. 1 Box 1, Dryden ME 04225

NEW MEMBERS

- 2574 Coulbourne, Joseph C., FCCS; CSTSC Mare Island Code 51 (TAS); Vallejo, CA 94592
Great Britain & Worldwide By: Dufresne 2470
- 2575 Wagoner, George A.; 7413 Sheffield Drive, Knoxville, TN 37909
U.S. By: Hazard
- 2576 Tomlinson, Ronald; 79 Thornton Road, Morecambe, Lancs, England LA4 5PG
Worldwide By: Smith
- 2577 Schippert, Marjorie F.; RT 1 Box 118, Republican City, NE 68971
Beginner By: Hoyt
- 2578 Squire, Charles E.; 17608 North 16 th. Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85023
Beginner - Worldwide By: Smith
- 2579 Kost, Victor F.; 473 Evergreen Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19128
U.S. Beginner By: Hoyt
- 2580 Krulik, Steve; P.O. Box 753, Bowie, MD 20715
U.S. By: Lyding

CLOSED ALBUMS

- 1686 Alewijnse, Jan; Troelstraplein 1, 2314 E.K., Leiden, Netherlands

Resigned

- 1197 Philamatic Center, P.O. Box 1, Boys Town, NE 68010
- 2155 Morrow, J. Gordon; 1724 Wolf Laurel Drive, Sun City Center, FL 33570
- 2177 Giffen, Peter; Ngati Moti RD 1, Motueka, Nelson, New Zealand
- 2198 Thomas, Eleven J.; 874 Westside Blvd. N.W., Roanoke VA 24017
- 431 Farebrother, A. Ernie; 331 Duke of Kent Avenue, Pointe Claire, Quebec
Canada H9R 1Y5

Address Changes

- L107 Mazzia, Valentino DB; Penthouse 2201, 1000 Venetian Way, Miami, FL 33139
- 2383 Callis, Patrick E.; 6103 Pine Hollow Drive, Parker, CO 80134
- 1951 Johnson, Clark M.; 147 Flaugherty Run Road, Coraopolis, PA 15108
- 2468 Prada, Eladio Garcia; c/o Jaime Balmes No 11 Torre "D" Cuarto Piso;
Colonia Los Morales (Plaza Polanco); C.P. 11510 Mexico D.F.
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| 2314 Anamaet | 2275 Denson | 2394 Klinginsmith | 2137 Reinhardt |
| 2433 Arnone | 2388 Dewees | 870 Kloss | 2419 Richow |
| 735 Aska | 1604 Dunlap | 1967 Lanighan | 1119 Ritter |
| 2101 Belding | 2114 Elam | 2313 Lazerson | 2081 Rudich |
| 2133 Bock | 2511 Elliot | 1449 Leen | 1467 Schools |
| 2506 Bonfig | 2476 Eull | 2343 Longbottom | 1918 Schmidt |
| 2493 Bothamley | 2449 Evans | 2247 Ludwig | 2345 Smith |
| 2186 Brunet | 2526 Fleming | 1232 Majcher | 2109 Soldaat |
| 2024 Calabrese | 1933 Franke | 2118 Marks | 1706 Stovall |
| 2469 Camillery | 1674 Garate | 1613 Marshall | 2516 Thomas |
| 2218 Carpenter | 2181 Gehring | 2409 McMurry | 2104 Towle |
| 2007 Cohen | 2385 Glass | 2317 Metzger | 375 Usdin |
| 1726 Cole | 2483 Glockner | 1163 Miller | 1863 Vopper |
| 2471 Cornell | 2323 Gretskey | 1657 Morrison | 1865 Waddington |

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1948 Cox	2429 Hanschen	2233 Moser	2029 Waite
2508 Cunningham	2414 Herbert	2446 Murphy	2214 Walker
2410 Curt	1961 Huffman	2486 Paulsen	2495 Weinstein
2172 Deckard	2384 Jones	2430 Pinkava	1722 Wilsey
2157 Dedecker	956 Jones	1588 Poitras	2399 Zawislak
2428 Dell	2333 Kallal		

Summary:

Members as of July 31, 1987	828
New Members	+ 7
Deceased	- 1
Resigned	- 5
Dropped - Non-Payment of Dues	<u>-82</u>
Members as of August 31, 1987	747

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

It has been the practice to publish a complete membership roster every two years. This has been done at a substantial cost to the Club. There are no plans to print a complete roster at this time. There are two reasons for this decision, cost and security. Rather than publishing a membership roster, at this time, the Club has elected to spend the funds that would have been used in assembling and printing a roster on the twelve page LIBRARY HOLDINGS supplement to this issue. Several members have expressed concern at the distribution of a roster with their name and address.

WANTED Perfins on QEII United Kingdom "Castles" on cover or single. Send for offer or indicate price wanted. Such stamps are Scott Catalogue numbers 309-12, 371-4, and 525-8. Lord Spens, Gould, Frittenden, Kent, England.

SCHERMACKS RE-RATED

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With the addition of more Schermacks to the market than were available when the original survey was made, it is necessary to make some adjustments.

How some additional copies came to be available is interesting enough to give you the background of events.

As most collectors know, at one time stamps were collected by organized church groups, to get money for missionary work. The lady's groups cut stamps from cards and letters, often cutting the perforations and even peeling them. Obviously, they ruined many. Each hundred was tied with thread. Eventually the bundles arrived at a headquarters where they were offered to interested buyers. The money received was distributed to the missions.

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A few years ago, I made contact with a man who had bought millions of early stamps, mostly 2 cent issues. They had been put aside for years and when time came to sort them the perfins were removed. An original sorter had tumbled them to remove the paper. This abraded some and others had prior tears and cuts. However, hundreds of ruined copies meant little to a large quantity. Perfins were a minor portion, but it added up to several thousands.

When I had purchased all of his perfins, he asked me if I was interested in Schermacks. Being very interested, I tendered as much information of Schermacks as was available. With my data and what he had previously known, he was able to separate them by given numbers.

After a few months, we made a deal and I have been offering them to club members ever since. Since I had made a record of the Schermacks available, including those damaged, I could see that some ratings needed to be adjusted.

For the survey, all who purchased some from me after September 1, 1987 please include those Schermacks in the survey. When the final survey ratings are published, the Schermacks will be included.

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A	ALGERIA	WS-80	Worksheets
	ANGOLA	WS-1	Worksheets
	ARGENTINA	WS-46	Worksheets
		LA-4	<u>Argentine Perforated Stamps</u> . Handbook and checklist published by W.B.L. Bose in 1953.
		LA-7	<u>Sellos Postales Perforados de la Republic Argentina</u> , by W.B.L. Bose, 1985.
	AUSTRIA	WS-103	Worksheets
		AU-1	Austrian Perfins Catalog
	AZORES	WS-90	Worksheets
B	BAVARIA	WS-4	Worksheets
		GR-6	"The Semi-Official Perfins of Bavaria" by Prins, and "Perforated Officials from Bavaria by Hamilton.
	BELGIUM	WS-29	Worksheets
		BG-1	Van Lint's 1958 Illustrations
		BG-2	<u>Catalog of Belgian Perfins</u> , Smetsers & Smit, 1985.
	GERMAN OCCUPATION	WS-70	Worksheets

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a	AUSTRALIA	WS-2	Worksheets
	and	BE-1	Clip File
	STATES	BE-18	"The G/NSW Perf Heads," by Heron, 4 pp from <u>Australasia Informer</u> , September 1974.
		BE-19	<u>The Tasman Australian States Catalog</u> , 1971.
		SE-20	"Australia's Federal OS Perfins, 1913-1931", Ball & Belknap, 5 pp from <u>SPA Journal</u> 1975
		BE-25	<u>Victorian Government Punctures</u> , by Elford.
b	BAHAMAS	WS-119	Worksheets
	BARBADOS	WS-3	Worksheets
	BECHUANALAND PROT.	WS-75	Worksheets
	BRITISH COLONIES	BE-7	Clip File
		BE-24	<u>A Catalog of British Empire Commemorative and Semipostal Specimen Stamps</u> , Ball.
	BR. GUIANA	WS-5	Worksheets
	BURMA	WS-72	Worksheets
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		CA-2	"The Story Behind the Perfin (ARI)" by Woolley, 1969
		CA-3	"Checklist of Identical Designs on Stamps of United States and Canada."
		CA-4	"Perforated Initials Found on Canadian Stamps" by Jephcott, 1951, 16 pp.
		CA-5	<u>Checklist and Catalog of Canadian Postage Stamps Overprinted and Perforated OHMS & G.</u> , Wrigley, 64 ed.
		CA-6	<u>BNAPS: Canadian Stamps With Perforated Initials</u> , 2nd. edition, 1961.
		CA-7	<u>BNAPS: Canadian Stamps With Perforated Initials</u> , 3rd. edition, 1967, w/73 supplement.
		CA-8	<u>The Catalog and Guidebook of Canadian Official Stamps</u> . Wrigley and Mohr, 1974.

- c CANADA (Con.) CA-9 Textbook and Guide to the Canadian Official OHMS and G Stamps, 1923-1963, Published 1975.
 CA-10 Canadian Tagged Errors and Canadian Tagged Perfins, by Rose, 1979, privately published.
 CA-11 Perfins of the Province of Saskatchewan, Wrigley types P-10, 10a & 10b, Jon Johnson, 1979
 privately published.
 CA-12 "Forgeries of Canada's OHMS Perfins," by Pugh, privately published.
 CA-13 C-12 Perfins of Int'l Harvester of Canada, by Parson, privately published 1979.
 CA-14 BNA Perforator, Newsletter of Perfins Study Group of BNAPS.
 CA-15 Checklist of Stamps Punched by Companies in the Province of Quebec, by Jean-Guy Dalpe',
 privately published, 1981.
 CA-16 Canadian Stamps with Perforated Initials, by J.C. Johnson & G. Tompson, 1985.
- CAPE OF GOOD HOPE WS-52 Worksheets
 BE-8 Clip File
- CEYLON WS-6 Worksheets
 BE-9 "CAVE Overprints on the Stamps of Ceylon," by Kiddle, from 1974 Cinderella Philatelist.
- SRI LANKA WS-95 Worksheets
- CYPRUS WS-94 Worksheets
- e EAST AFRICA WS-77 Worksheets
- g GIBRALTAR WS-15 Worksheets
- GOLD COAST WS-16 Worksheets
- h HONG KONG BE-11 Clip File
 BE-23 The Perfins of Hong Kong, by Tilles.
- i INDIA WS-41 Worksheets
 BE-22 "Perfins of India," by Bayanwala. 7 pp.
- COCHIN BE-23 "Perfin Stamps of Cochin," by David. No illustrations, but checklist 4 pp.
- HYDERABAD BE-12 Clip File
- IRELAND WS-49 Worksheets
 BE-2 Clip File
 BE-30 Ireland Catalog of Perfins, by Richard Mewhinney, 1984.
- J JAMACA WS-121 Worksheets
 BE-13 Clip File
- T LEEWARD ISLANDS WS-122 Worksheets
 BE-14 Clip File
- m MALAYA FE-8 "Perforated Initials on the Stamps of the Straits Settlements and Malaya," by Dewey.
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		BE-4	<u>New Zealand Stamps with Perforated Initials</u> , by Samuel, 1968.
		BE-5	<u>The Tasman Catalog of New Zealand Perfins</u> .
	NIGERIA	WS-60	Worksheets
	NORTH BORNEO	WS-91	Worksheets
o	ORANGE RIVER COLONY	WS-25	Worksheets
		BE-16	<u>Perfins from Transvaal & Orange River Colony</u> , by Howard Ferguson.
p	PAKISTAN	WS-26	Worksheets
	PALESTINE	WS-35	Worksheets
		ME-1	<u>The Perfins of the Middle East</u> , by Tilles.
		BE-15	Clip File
	PAPAU	WS-38	Worksheets
r	RHODESIA	WS-59	Worksheets (Rhodesia British SA Co.)
		WS-61	Worksheets (Rhodesia & Nyasaland)
		WS-62	Worksheets (Southern Rhodesia)
s	ST. KITTS & NEVIS	WS-123	Worksheets
	SIERRA LEONE	WS-39	Worksheets
	STRAITS SETTLEMENTS	WS-32	Worksheets
		FE-8	Clip File
		WS-87	Worksheets (Malaya, Malaysia, Singapore)
	SUDAN	ME-1	<u>The Perfins of the Middle East</u> , by Tilles.
t	TASMANIA	BE-28	<u>Perfins of Tasmania</u> , by Anderson (1985)
	TRINIDAD & TOBAGO	WS-125	Worksheets
	TRANSVAAL	WS-55	Worksheets
		BE-16	Clip File
u	UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA	WS-54	Worksheets
		BE-17	Clip File
w	WALES	BE-27	<u>Catalog of Welsh Perfins</u> , by T.A. Edwards, 1985
w	ZANZIBAR	WS-40	Worksheets

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	BRAZIL	WS-115 LA-2	Worksheets Checklist by D.C. Stump
	BULGARIA	BU-1	<u>A Catalog of the Perfins of Bulgaria</u> , V. Maxa
C	CANAL ZONE	LA-1 LA-3 LA-6	"Canal Zone Official Perfins", D.C. Stump, <u>The Perfins Bulletin</u> . "Official Stamps Perforated 'P'", Dunaway and Cassibry. Series of articles and notes. "Punch Perforations of the Canal Zone", <u>The American Philatelist</u> , Dunaway
	CHILE	WS-7	Worksheets
	CHINA	FE-2 FE-4 FE-5 FE-6 FE-10	"Chinese Anti-Bandit Control Marks", <u>China Clipper</u> , Kann, Dickie, et al. <u>The Sinkiang Official Perfins</u> . Collection of articles. <u>The Perfins of China</u> . Catalog/Album published in 1976 by Tilles "Chinese Officials in Turkestan", <u>American Philatelist</u> , 1922, Starr. Clip File.
	JAPANESE OCC	WS-101	Worksheets Japanese Occupation of China.
	COLUMBIA	WS-48	Worksheets
	COSTA RICA	WS-8	Worksheets
	CRETE	WS-9	Worksheets
	CROATIA-SLAVONIA	WS-63	Worksheets.
	CUBA	WS-44	Worksheets
	CZECHOSLOVAKIA	CS-1 CS-2 CS-3 CS-4 CS-5 CS-6	<u>Perfins from the Territory of Czechoslovakia</u> , 1972 with supplements, V. Maxa. German language edition of CS-1. Czechoslovak language edition of CS-1. <u>Zpravodaj Perfiny</u> , Bulletin of the Czechoslovakian Perfins Club. "The Last Czech Perfin", V. Maxa. <u>Catalog Perfinu</u> . Revised Czechoslovakian language version of CS-1.
D	DANZIG	WS-11	Worksheets.
	DENMARK	WS-43 DA-1 DA-2 DA-3 DA-4	Worksheets Clip File <u>The Perfinist</u> . Bulletin of the Danish Perfins Study Group. <u>List of Danish Perfins Catalog</u> , D.C. Stump. <u>Handbook on Danish Perfins</u> , Peter Engelbrecht.
E	EASTERN SILESIA	WS-12	Worksheets
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	FR-2	<u>Les Timbres Francais Perfores</u> . Clips from LeMonde of LeBlands's catalog.
	FR-3	"Perfins of the Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris", <u>Bulletin</u> , 1976, Jan Prins.
	FR-4	"The Perfins of France's Societe Generale", <u>Perfins Bulletin</u> , 1976, Jan Prins.

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	WS-45.2	Worksheets. (Part II, letters F-K)	{being revised, now in four volumes.
	WS-45.3	Worksheets, (Part III, letters L-Q)	{Work of Needham & Stuntzner will lead to
	WS-45.4	Worksheets, (Part IV, letters R-end)	{publication of a catalog.
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	GR-2	Clip File: POL Perfins of Germany	
	GR-5	"Private German Perfins", 1976, Theuss	

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OFFICES & COLONIES	GR-3	"Use of Perfins in Offices and Colonies of the German Empire", Gault.
SCHWESLIG	WS-68	Worksheets

G GREECE	WS-27	Worksheets
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GREAT BRITAIN	GB-1	<u>Catalog of Identified Perfins of Great Britain, Volume 1: A-F.</u>
	GB-2	Same, Volume 2: G-O.
	GB-3	Same, Volume 3: P-end.
	GB-4	<u>Simplified Catalog of the Perfins of Great Britain, Volume 1: A-I.</u>
	GB-5	Same, Volume 2: J-end.
	GB-6	Catalog of Illustrations of British Perfins, 1959, Van Lint.
	GB-7	"The Introduction of Punctured Endorsements", Charles Jennings.
	GB-8	<u>The Handbook of British Perfins</u> , Nelson.
	GB-9	"The Official Stamps of Great Britain", Bernstein
	GB-10	"The College Stamps of Oxford and Cambridge".
	GB-11	"The Perfins of Great Britain", Bowman.
	GB-12	"Private Underprints", Willcocks.
	GB-13	"Experimental Cancellations on the First Post Card Issue of Great Britain", Lutz.
	GB-14	"Perforated Officials of Great Britain and Colonies to 1939", Gunthorpe.
	GB-15	"The Board of Trade Perforated Official Stamps of Great Britain", Jackson.
	GB-16	"Prevention of Stamp Thefts by Employees", Howard.
	GB-17	Clip File.
	GB-18	<u>Catalog of Official Perfins of Great Britain</u> , Thorton.
	GB-19	<u>Perfins Used by Local Government Offices. Vol. I: Municipal Arms and Aberdare to Darwen.</u>
	GB-20	Same, Volume II: Ealing to Middleton.
	GB-21	Same, Volume III: Macclesfield to York.
	GB-22	Miscellaneous articles from SEPS: 1.
	GB-23	Miscellaneous articles from SEPS: 2.
	GB-24	SEPS Bulletin News Pages 1959 to 1962.
	GB-25	SEPS Bulletin News Pages 1963 to 1965.
	GB-26	SEPS Bulletin News Pages 1966 to 1967.
	GB-27	SEPS Bulletin News Pages 1968 to 1969.
	GB-28	SEPS Bulletin News Pages 1970 to 1971.

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- GB-29 The Titles Catalog of the Perfins of Great Britain. The catalog is broken into sections as it was issued for convenience in mailing.
 GB-29-1, Introduction & letter O.
 GB-29-2, Letters D, E, F, K, Q, U, V, X, Y, and Z.
 GB-29-3, Letters A and B.
 GB-29-4, Letters G, I, and J.
 GB-29-5, Letters L, M, N, & P.
 GB-29-6, Letters R, T, Numerals and Designs.
 GB-29-7, Letters C and H.
 GB-29-8, Letters S and W.
- GB-30 "The Perfins of Thomas Cook & Son", Prins.
 GB-31 "Fiscal Perfins of Ireland & Great Britain", Burrows and Tennant.
 GB-32 "Perforated Insignia: The Story of Joseph Sloper and British Perfins", Walker.
 GB-33 British Stamps Perforated With Firms' Initials: (SPIFS), Vallancey.
 GB-34 The History of British Security Stamps, 379 pages Charles Jennings.
 GB-35 Railway Perfins of Great Britain, Bowman.
 GB-36 "Victorian Government Punches", Elford, Dean and Toop.
 GB-37 Polish Perfins in the United Kingdom 1980-1983, W.Z.J. Nowicki.
- GB-100 SEPS Bulletin, 1971.
 GB-101 SEPS Bulletin, 1972.
 GB-102 SEPS Bulletin, 1973.
 GB-103 SEPS Bulletin, 1974.
 GB-104 SEPS Bulletin, 1975.
 GB-105 SEPS Bulletin, 1976.
 GB-106 SEPS Bulletin, 1977.
 GB-107 SEPS Bulletin, 1978.
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 GB-114 SEPS Bulletin, 1985.

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- H HAITI WS-17 Worksheets.
- HUNGARY HY-1 Clip File on Hungarian official stamps with 3-hole punches.
 HY-2 Perfins of Hungary, V. Maxa, Malyon, and Grof, Preliminary edition, See HY-4.
 HY-3 "The Perfins of Hungary", The Perfins Bulletin, 1975, V. Maxa.
 HY-4 The Perfins of Hungary, 1978, V. Maxa. Published by Malyon.
- I INDO-CHINA WS-66 Worksheets.
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		JA-2	Japan Perfins Catalog, Tokyo: 1972, Adachi.
		JA-3	<u>Partial Translation of the 1972 Edition of the Adachi Catalog</u> , Wright.
		JA-4	<u>Japan Perfins Catalog</u> , Illustrated updated version of JA-2.
		JA-5	Clip File.
		JA-6	"Japanese Perfins", 4 pages, Alexander.
		JA-7	"Japanese Perfins", 9 pages, Alexander.
		JA-8	"Cancellation by Perforation", Fisher.
		JA-9	"Private Control Overprints", 3 pages.
		JA-10	"The Sasebo Anchor Perfin", 1 page.
		JA-11	"Using the Adachi Japanese Perfins Catalog", 1 page, Fisher.
		JA-12	<u>Japan Perfins Catalog</u> , with translation, 1980, Adachi.
		WS-88	Worksheets - Additions to Adachi.
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	NE-4	<u>List of the Perfins of the Netherlands, Curacao, the Netherland Antilles & the Netherland Indies, 1976, Enschede.</u>
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US-12	Additions and Corrections pages for illustrated catalog.
US-13	Relative Ratings, Cain.

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MI-23 Revenue Perfins Checklist. Condensed version of MI-22.

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	MI-3	<u>Covers of the Month</u> . Clips from the <u>Bulletin</u> .
	MI-4	"What's a FREP?", Xerox of exhibit from ELPEX-73.
	MI-5	<u>The Perfins Writings of Victor Van Lint</u> .
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	MI-7	"Wordwide Perfins of the Eastman Kodak Co.", 1 page.
	MI-8	International Harvester Perfins Used on Foreign Stamps", 1 page.
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	MI-10	Designs on Perfins. 5 pages, Van Lint.
	MI-12	<u>Cancellations Identify Perfins Users</u> , Clips from the <u>Perfins Bulletin</u> .
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	MI-15	Mounting and Exhibiting Perfins. Clip File.
	MI-16	<u>Perfins: A Collecting Philosophy</u> . Clips.
	MI-17	<u>Copying Perfins</u> . Clips.
	MI-18	Perfins Abstracts. Compiled by Birch of SEPS library.
	MI-19	SEPS Library List.
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	MI-22	U.S. Revenue Perfins.
	MI-24	Musical Perfin Exhibit, Albert Spencer.

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CLUB FILES	CF-1	<u>Auction Lists & Prices Realized</u> .
	CF-2	<u>Membership Rosters 1945 to present</u> .
	CF-3	<u>A History of the Perfins Club to 1970</u> , Richard Mewhinney.
	CF-4	<u>Family Album</u> . Photos of members.
	CF-5	<u>Publicity Clips</u> .
	CF-6	<u>Index to the Perfins Bulletin</u> . Only started.
	CF-7	<u>The Hallock Card Award</u> . Past winners.
	CF-8	Master Index to the Membership to 1967. Swalwell.

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PB-1	<u>Pin Perf Collector's Bulletin</u> . Predecessor to <u>Perfins</u> . Single 1937 issue.				
PB-2	<u>Perfins, 1945-1950</u> .				
PB-3	<u>Perfins Bulletin, 1951-1952</u> .				
PB-4	1953	PB-16	1965	PB-28	1977
PB-5	1954	PB-17	1966	PB-29	1978
PB-6	1955	PB-18	1967	PB-30	1979
PB-7	1956	PB-19	1968	PB-31	1980
PB-8	1957	PB-20	1969	PB-32	1981
PB-9	1958	PB-21	1970	PB-33	1982
PB-10	1959	PB-22	1971	PB-34	1983
PB-11	1960	PB-23	1972	PB-35	1984
PB-12	1961	PB-24	1973	PB-36	1985
PB-13	1962	PB-25	1974	PB-37	1986
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