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Perfins in the 1901 Pan-American Exposition Issue

Mike Vagnetti (#4298)

Great Britain was the first country to use perfins, beginning in 1868. The practice spread quickly to Belgium (1872); Denmark, France, Germany, and Switzerland (1876); and Austria (1877); the United States (U.S.) finally allowed perfins in 1908. There are over 6,400 perfin patterns known to exist in U.S. postage.



Figure 1. The six denominations of the Pan-American Exposition of 1901.

The 1901 Pan-American Exposition issue stamps (Figure 1) with perfins are especially elusive. Perfins in the U.S. were first authorized for use in April 1908, so the Pan-American stamps had to be in storage, unused for 7 years, before perfins could be legally applied to them. This is not a very practical or efficient use of postage stamps resulting in an extremely low population for this issue.

There are only two Pan-American Expo issues with perfins reported to exist. One is in Scott #295 (2¢ *Fast Express* issue in Carmine & Black). This was used by Commercial Union Assurance Co., Ltd. in San Francisco with perfin U047.5 as shown in Figure 2. Perfin U047.5 was used in postage stamps, as well as in revenue stamps issued from 1908 to 1919. The user has been verified (the perfin has been seen in a stamp or on a cover or similar document) and usage has been reported in the 1901 Pan-American #295 stamp, but there are there no images of this usage.

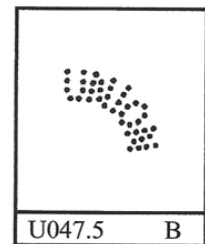


Figure 2.

The Commercial Union Assurance Company (CU) was established following a massive fire near London Bridge in 1861. Existing insurance companies had increased their fire insurance premiums so dramatically that a group of

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local merchants and brokers decided to form their own company. This became known as the Commercial Union Assurance Company established in London in 1897.

The United States was an early target for expansion and CU began by appointing agents in San Francisco and New York. It was doing business in Chicago and Boston in 1871-1872 when both cities suffered disastrous fires. CU, unlike some local companies, met the resulting claims in full, and gained the reputation as a company that could be relied upon. By the 1880s its U.S. business was nationwide. The Commercial Union Assurance Building is a 16-story office building located in the Financial District of San Francisco, California. The building was completed in 1921.



Figure 3.

The second Pan-American known having a perfin is Scott #299 (10¢ *Fast Ocean Navigation* issue in Yellow Brown & Black; Figure 3) was used by The National Bank of Commerce of New York in New York City with perfin No. 09 (Figure 4). The pattern was used in stamps issued between 1901 and 1926. Perfins were not authorized in the U.S. until April 1908; therefore, this perfin was certainly not applied to the stamp in 1901. This makes one wonder: was this perfin used legitimately

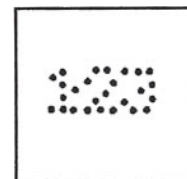


Figure 4.

in commercial postage in the late 1920s and the 1901 Pan-Am Expo #299 use being some sort of weird outlier or was this perfin done as a philatelic favor?

The **National Bank of Commerce in New York (NBCNY)** was a national bank headquartered in New York City and was a predecessor to J.P. Morgan & Co. Before it opened to receive deposits on April 3, 1839, it had already subscribed \$500,000 of its capital to a New York State loan for widening and deepening the Erie Canal. At the time of the National Banking Acts of 1863 and 1864, the National Bank of Commerce was the largest bank in the country.

In 1900, the NBCNY acquired the National Union Bank of New York which had been founded in 1893. Then, in October 1903, the bank acquired the Western National Bank of the United States which had been founded in 1887. An article in *The New York Times* dated October 7, 1903, gave a summary of the acquisition, "The interesting details of the physical transfer were taken up on Monday, the day when officially the merger was to have effect. They involved carrying some \$16,000,000 of cash, of which \$12,000,000 was in gold and \$67,000,000 of securities in bags and boxes from the Western National Bank Building, on the northwest corner of Nassau and Pine Streets, to the building of the National Bank of Commerce, correspondingly situated at Nassau and Cedar Streets. It was a simple process, and one that attracted but little attention from the passing throngs."

Please contact me through The Perfins Club if you have or know of perfins in the Pan-American Exposition Issue stamps.

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Editor's note: Included with the article presented above was a brief autobiography (despite being written in the third person). In the tradition of "Meet a Member" it is reproduced below.

"Mike Vagnetti was born and raised in Detroit and lived in Michigan until moving to Florida in 2015. He is a retired physical education teacher and coach and only began collecting and learning about stamps in 2016. His current collecting interests include 1901 Pan American Expo issue, 1939 Cuban Rocket Mail, and Confederate States stamps. He has been published in *The American Stamp Collector & Dealer*, *The Cuban Philatelist*, *Topical Time*, *The Confederate Philatelist* and *Kelleher's Stamp Collector's Quarterly*.

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Mike is one of the newest members of our Club.

Researching User Identifications

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Having seen a perfin with an identified user but no verification code (the asterisk), I wondered how the user identification was found and why is it not a verification. It would seem that almost all user identifications would come from corner card information. I asked myself, "How many of these exist? – complete user identification, but no verification?" There are 297 such cases. I have listed them nearby in order of pattern catalog number. Most have been listed with the identification information for many decades. I surmise that covers exist, somewhere in collections and/or boxes and unrecognized for their value as confirming information.

I ask every member to please search your collections and send identification-confirming information to me. My contact information is on page 2 of the *Bulletin*. Thank you very much.

[Ed. note: Abbreviations when used below were made by me to reduce all entries to single lines.

Armstrong Paint & Varnish Co.	A009
Alfred Benjamin & Company	A041
Amory Brown & Company	A053
Association of Commerce	A055
American Contractor Company	A056
Atlanta Clearing House	A073
Armour Grain Company	A084
Armour & Company	A087-7
Aluminum Cooking Utensil Company	A091
Anderson Clayton & Company	A092

Publishers Advertising Service	A093
A. E. Nettleton	A104
American Express Company	A109
Agar Griet Rubber Company	A133
Aolsman & Hester	A143.5
Alliance Insurance Company	A146.5
Alabama Inspection & Rating Bureau	A153
Amer. International Shipbuilding Corp.	A156
The American National Bank	A196
Assets Realization Company	A228

American Slicing Machine Company	A258
American Wringer Company	A278
Axtell Company	A286
Ahrens & Ott Manufacturing Company	A296
Abraham & Strauss, Incorporated	A305
Bay Company	B028
Beal-Burrow Dry Goods Company	B035
Best & Company	B099
B. F. Cummins Company	B104
Moody Manual Company	B107
Bass-Huster Paint Company	B128
Birmingham Southern Rwy. Gen. Ofcs.	B129
Bethlehem Hingham Shipyard, Inc.	B133
Bank of Richmond	B149
Billings Marshall Dental Supply Co.	B166
National Bank of Pittsburgh	B185
Borden's Farm Produce Company	B186
Baltimore Transportation Company	B189
Butterick Pattern Publishing Co.	B194
Balch, Price & Company	B196
Blue Ridge Dispatch	B204
Black, Star & Frost	B227
Bell Telephone Company	B235.5
Berlin & Jones	B272
Batchelder & Snyder Company	B288
Corrugated Bar Company	C036
Charles B. Perkins Company	C042
The C. C. Company	C061
Cassella Color Company	C067
Churchill Drug Company	C099
General Electric Company	C108
Coyne Electrical School	C121
Chicago Film Exchange	C127
C. F. Sauer Company	C134.5
Clyde Iron Works	C173
Cleveland National Bank	C222
Canadian National Railways	C232.5
Consolidated Paper Bag Company	C267
Community Chest	C301
Carnegie Steel Corporation	C309
Charles T. Willis, Incorporated	C350
Water Supervisor Co. of New York	C374
The Denney Tag Company	D001
Dean Alvord Company	D007
Dearborn Chemical Company	D024
Denver Chemical Manufacturing Co.	D028
John Deere Plow Company	D032

Duntley Manufacturing Company	D062
Dennison Manufacturing Company	D066.5
Duffy's Malt Whiskey Company	D073
Jacob Dold	D080
John Deere Company	D112
Detroit White Lead Works	D138
E. B. Foote	E014
Eastern Clay Goods Company	E019
Edward E. Poore & Company	E032
Everett Heany Company	E047
Electro-Metallurgical Company	E074
Maidwell Brassiere & Corset Co.	E097
Esterbrook & Eaton	E138
M. J. O'Fallon	F003
Franklin Baker Company	F037
Fellman Drygood Company	F063
F. Ducharne Silk Company	F065
Fletcher Hardware Company	F083
F. J. Murphy -	F092
First National Bank	F122
Fourth National Bank	F129
Federal Reserve Bank	F162
Fourth District Federal Reserve Bank	F173
Federal Reserve Bank	F177
Federal Reserve Bank	F178
Fred S. Jaynes & Company	F193
F. W. Thurston Company	F213
G. Scheiner & Company	G007
George A. Fuller Company	G022
German American National Bank	G027
Hope Gas Company	G029
Goldsmith Brothers	G037
GAM Downs	G065
German Exchange Bank	G073
George H. Paine	G095
Guardian Life Insurance Company	G110
Galveston National Bank	G134
Good Manufacturing Company	G140
Gilbert Paper Company	G146
Georgia State Bank	G168
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Greenhut Company	G206
John Hood Company	H010
Henry A. Dreer, Incorporated	H016
H. Cannon Company	H043
Hungarian Fur Exchange	H070

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State Highway Department	H179
Houlder, Weir & Boyd, Inc.	H200
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Kansas City Wholesale Company	K024
Kelly Reppert Motor Company	K055
Fuller & Kern	K070
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Los Angeles Gas & Electric Corp.	L017
Los Angeles Gas & Electric Corp.	L017.5
The Long-Bell Lumber Company	L047
PO Box 773	L048
Liquozine Company	L063
Lake Erie Iron Company	L072
Louisiana Fire Prevention Bureau	L087
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Maryland Steel Company	M243
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Moran & Hastings Manufacturing Co.	M292
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National Packing Company	N133
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New York State National Bank	N200
O'Fallon Electrotpe Company	O028
Omaha Paint Company	O057
Ohio Rubber Company	O062
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Order of RR...Telegraphers, Div. #61	O066
Osage Railroad Company, Gen. Ofcs.	O067
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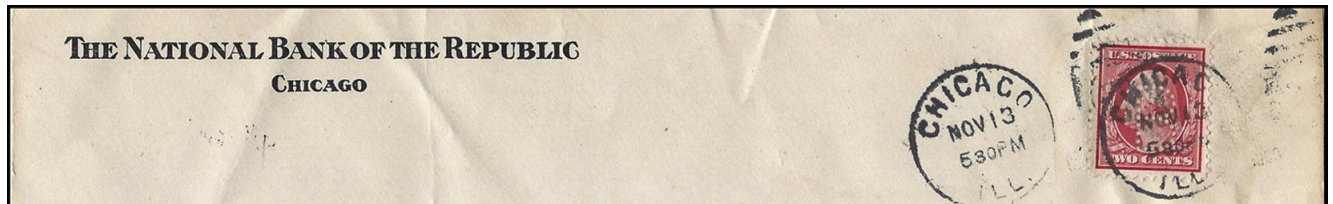
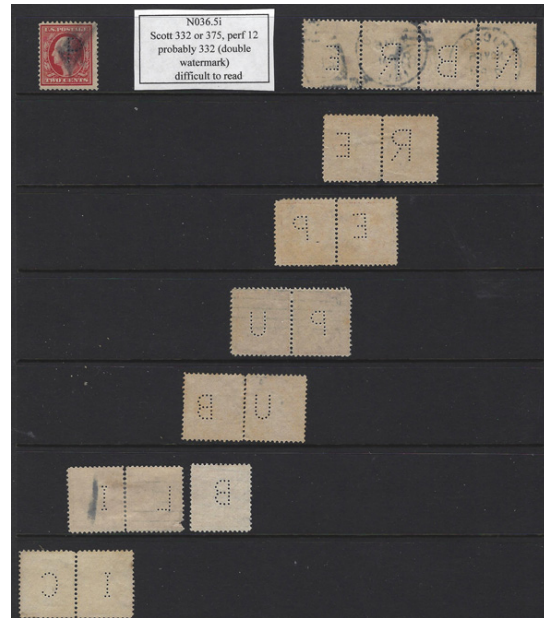
No36.5I -- NBRepublic

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The National Bank of The Republic, Chicago, IL produced an interesting and unique perforator, using it in stamps issued between 1902 and 1912. This perforator, obviously a ten-die perforator, punched a single letter corresponding to the Bank's name in each stamp. No complete copy has ever been found. Multiples have been assembled, similar to puzzle pieces, which have allowed us to construct the entire pattern. This was first accomplished by John Randall.

Nearby (much reduced) is the full pattern laid out in interlocking pieces, except for "ub" near the end. These are either in Scott 332 (double line watermark issued in 1908) or in Scott 375 (single line watermark issued in 1910). Many of the watermarks are difficult to read. If one ignores the watermarks (as most of us do for perfins) then this is the only complete set of ten stamps for a single stamp issue.

Until recently we were not even certain that the user was The National Bank of The Republic, Chicago, IL. The user has been confirmed as shown in the nearby strip which includes the large capital letter B.



I was studying this perfin in the two cent Lincoln commemorative (Scott 367) and I found all letters except the large capital letter N and the smaller letter B. Of course, it is impossible that the missing letters N and B did not exist, given the configuration of the perforator. Please check your collections for these two items. I would enjoy knowing that they are out there, somewhere!

There are two other stamps for which we have nearly complete all ten perfins.

- The 2c Shield, Scott 319: We know of all letters except the large B and R, and the smaller u.
- The 10c Washington, perf 12, Scott 416. We know of all letters except the large letter N.

We have seen a few of NBRepublic letters in the following stamps:

1c	1902,	Scott 300
10c	1902	Scott 307
one cent	1908 or 1910	Scott 331 or 374
1c Franklin 1	1912, perf 12	Scott 405
2c Washington	1912, perf 12	Scott 406

I would appreciate hearing from collectors who have any of the missing pieces to further complete the knowledge regarding United States perfins.

We don't know much for certain about the user. There is quite a bit of historical and conflicting information on the internet, along with lengthy histories of reorganizations, mergers and the sort involving banks in Chicago with this name. However, I could not confirm that this conflicting information even refers to the same bank.

**The Czechoslovak Society of Perfin Collectors
(Společnost sběratelů perfinů)
and the
Slovak Society of Perfin Collectors
(Slovenská spoločnosť zberateľov perfinov)**
<http://perfin.cz/cs/>
Joe Coulbourne (#2574)

Many of our collectors rarely step outside of English-speaking groups to learn more about perfin collecting around the world due to the language barrier. I would like to introduce the Czechoslovak and Slovak perfin group. More information is directly available from their website at the URL above. These days, with the advantage that the internet brings, translating Czech or Slovak is relatively easy with Google Translate or a program I use, called DeepL. Each of these programs has its advantages and I would be glad to discuss them with any members looking to take advantage of their capabilities. Let me say that these programs have enabled me to communicate effectively in many languages and have helped me to expand my philatelic knowledge, especially in the perfins field.

The Czech and Slovak Society of Perfin Collectors was established in 1974 in parallel with the publication of the newsletter PERFINA (or PERFINY depending on which language you use). The Society is affiliated with the Union of Czech Philatelists (Svaz českých filatelistů (SCF)) and more information about the parent group can be found at: <http://informace-scf.cz/index.htm>. This arrangement is like the Canadian BNA Perfin Study Group affiliated under the British North America Philatelic Society (BNAPS). Unlike the Canadian group, one does not need to be a member of the SCF to join the Czech and Slovak perfins society.



This Society has a very active membership and leadership. I have found them to be welcoming to this foreigner and they have worked with me to be able to participate and take advantage of the Society's activities like the perfin auctions (held 4 times a year). The Society publishes the newsletter in A5 format these days with the page count ranging from 16 – 32 pages. I get it electronically along with the auction listings 4 times a year. The e-newsletters are in full color and make translating that much easier as I can “cut and paste” into the translation programs. There is a bit of a trick to the newsletters and auctions. In the first and third quarters, the newsletter is in Czech, and the auction is based on Czech Koruna. Alternately, for the second and fourth quarters, the newsletter is in Slovak, and the auction is based on Euros. The Society has in-person meetings twice a year as well and the most recent one was held in VYSOKÉ MÝTO in the Czech Republic.

Collecting Czech perfins is not as easy as one might think. Due to the tumultuous history of the Czech Republic in the 19th and 20th centuries, this is one challenging perfin area. I think, what attracts me to Czech perfins is just this point – so difficult to piece together the history and understand perfin use in the Czechoslovak Territories.

There are 11 distinct periods in Czech perfin collecting and many of them are further broken down by stamp issue(s):

1. Austrian Kreuzer currency perfins (1874-1898)
2. Austrian stamp issue perfins (1899-1918)
3. Hungarian Kreuzer currency perfins (1881-1899)
4. Hungarian stamp issue perfins (1900-1918)
5. Czechoslovak perfin stamps 1918-1938/1939
6. Polish perfin stamps used in the Těšín (Teschen) region (1919-1920)
7. German perfin stamps used in the Sudetenland (1935-1945)
8. Hungarian perfin stamps used in the territory annexed to Hungary (1938-1945)
9. Perfin stamps of Slovakia (1938-1945)
10. Perfin stamps of the Protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia (1939-1945)
11. Czechoslovak perfin stamps (1945-1979)



As can be understood from the list above, a comprehensive Czechoslovak perfin collection will turn the average perfin collector into a history buff with a minor in Geography as many of these areas can only be determined by a cancellation showing the town or post office of usage. Lucky for all of us this perfin society collaborated to produce a new catalog at the end of 2021. A new *Catalogue of Perfins from the Territory of Czechoslovakia* was published as the 24th volume of the prestigious series of Monographs of Czechoslovak Stamps published by POFIS. It is not just a catalog, but literally a manual for collecting perfins from the Czechoslovak Territory. There is a relatively extensive introduction explaining the circumstances of the origin and use of perfins in the Czechoslovak Territory, including their legislative foundations. A significant section is devoted to the valuation of perfins although the largest part, a total of 194 pages, is occupied by the actual catalog of perfin patterns. This new catalog builds on the previous edition of the Catalog [the Maxa catalog] from 1987 and maintains the basic layout of perfins in this catalogue as much as possible. Collectors will not be forced to renumber everything, as was customary with older editions. The regular price of the catalog is 1,000 CZK (~US\$45.), for members of the SCF (subscribers of the Philately magazine) the reduced price is 798 CZK (~US\$35.50). Ordering information is available via email at stamps@stamps.cz or by mail at the address: Zásilkové služby PROFIL, Klimentská 6, 110 00 Prague 1, Czech Republic.

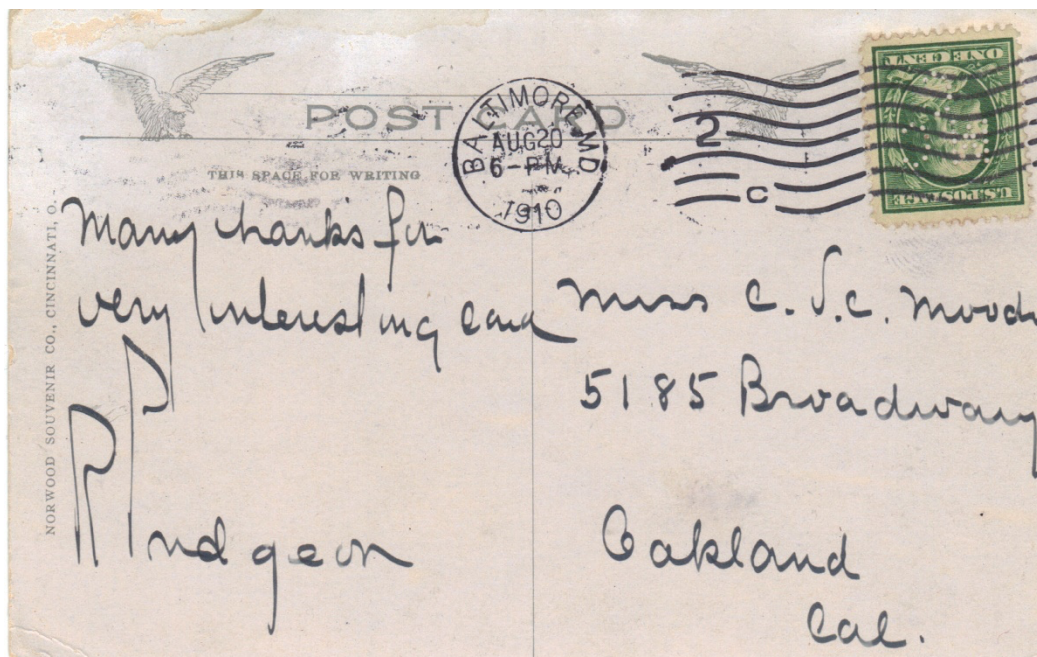
The catalog is hard bound with dustcover and there is even a philatelic treat inside (no hints from me). Any serious collector of perfins from the Czechoslovak Territory must have this new edition. There is a pricing guide based on a point system that is explained within. The index and Chapter 7, Description of the Catalogue's Perfin Entries is tri-lingual (Czech, German and English).

Want to work with a group of like-minded individuals who love Czech Territory perfins? Why not consider joining the Society for Czechoslovak Philately (SCP) [<https://www.csphilately.net/>] and then our study group, the SCP Czech Perfins Study Group [<https://www.csphilately.net/perfins/>]? The SCP covers all aspects of Czechoslovak philately, and we cover everything dealing with perfins. We are a small group at the moment as we are all drawn together by our love of Czechoslovak stamps with a passion for perfins, but we are very active. We have focused on the Hradčany series of stamps with perfins and have learned a lot together and will be passing that information on to the Czech Perfin Society of the SCF. The SCP sells the new Monografie 24 and it is much easier to obtain from this society than from POFIS. Write me for more details if interested.

A Perfin Article That I Didn't Mean To Write

Maryland Casualty Company - Pattern US M057

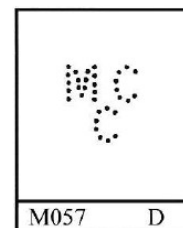
Joe Coulbourne (#2574)



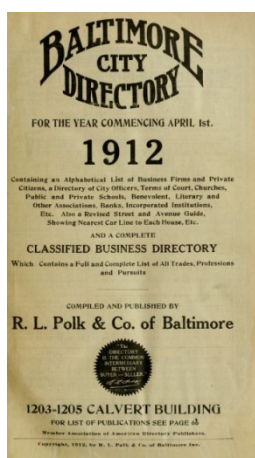
I was lotting up perfin material for Perfins Club Auction and took a break I had promised Steve Endicott that I would “carefully” look at my personal perfin covers and send him any information which might update our perfin catalog. The above picture post card was one such item. I had no thoughts to write an article about this card as I assumed it was a “suspect” usage of the perfin by a private individual. What caught my eye was the postmark. The pattern is M057 of the Maryland Casualty Company of Baltimore MD. Not really scarce as it is D-rated, my postcard is the Earliest Known Usage (EKU) updating the earliest use recorded date by almost a year to 20 August 1910. I think the EKU caused me to look for the story behind the postcard and possible illegal usage. Off to the internet I go...

I did find a wonderful resource:

(<https://lib.guides.umd.edu/c.php?g=327119&p=2197762>) and this led to the finding of a business and citizen directory. There are many versions online and I picked the one closest to my postcard. In it you can find the Maryland Casualty Company of Baltimore, MD, founded on 9 February 1898, and absorbed into the Zurich North America group of insurance companies in 1941.



As a footnote the Maryland Casualty Company wrote bonds to help expand the Panama Canal. All of the listings I could find did not mention the writer. The card says, “Many thanks for very interesting card” and is signed by R Pridgeon. At first, I thought Pridgeon might be Pidgeon but ruled that out when I found the Baltimore City Directories site. No Pidgeons are listed but there are three Pridgeons. I had found our writer. In 1912, only one of the three Pridgeons fit the name on the card. Francis Raymond Pridgeon often went by R. Pridgeon (early years) or Frank (later years). Francis was born on 25 September 1890 and died on



28 August 1965. I have no idea of the relation to the addressee Miss C. S. C. Moody but Francis appears to have never married and remained a bachelor. Many of the genealogy sites list the wives but none listed a wife for our man Francis.

Francis is listed in the directory as a “clerk” and although not tied to the Maryland Casualty Company, I can think of no other way he could have gotten his hands on a perfined MC/C one cent Washington. I surmise that Francis worked for Maryland Casualty Company at their office in the “Maryland Casualty” building). Maryland Casualty Company moved to the Tower Building in 1921 as they outgrew their earlier premises. The building remains today.



Francis was 19 when he posted the postcard to Miss Moody. I could not find a connection between the two although she may have been a “lost love”. The picture side doesn’t help either as it is of the Eutaw Place Synagogue in Baltimore MD. Francis does not seem to have been Jewish either, so I think it just may have been a cool postcard for his use.

I believe, after my research, that young Francis worked for the Maryland Casualty Company as a clerk and may just have “lifted” the stamp he used on this postcard to Miss Moody. Either way, Francis has provided me with an EKV for my perfin cards and covers hoard.



Results - Auction #171

#	Sold	#	Sold	#	Sold	#	Sold	#	Sold	#	Sold	#	Sold
1	\$5.00	26	\$2.50	51	\$5.00	76	\$5.00	101	\$1.00	126	\$95.00	151	\$15.00
2	\$5.00	27	\$5.00	52	\$5.00	77	\$5.00	102	\$2.00	127	\$75.00	152	\$7.50
3	\$5.00	28	\$5.00	53	\$10.00	78	\$3.00	103	\$2.00	128	\$47.50	153	\$20.00
4	\$2.50	29	\$5.00	54	\$20.00	79	\$75.00	104	\$1.00	129	\$60.00	154	\$8.00
5	\$10.00	30	\$5.00	55	\$5.00	80	\$6.00	105	\$4.25	130	\$25.00	155	\$15.00
6	\$5.00	31	\$5.00	56	\$10.00	81	\$3.00	106	\$9.00	131	\$80.00	156	\$47.50
7	\$2.50	32	\$5.00	57	\$5.00	82	\$3.00	107	\$4.75	132	\$215.00	157	\$11.00
8	\$5.00	33	\$5.00	58	\$37.50	83	\$3.00	108	\$2.25	133	\$8.50	158	\$20.00
9	\$37.50	34	\$5.00	59	\$10.50	84	\$75.00	109	\$6.00	134	\$25.00	159	\$10.00
10	\$90.00	35	\$3.00	60	\$5.00	85	\$10.00	110	\$14.50	135	\$10.00	160	\$10.00
11	\$2.50	36	\$10.00	61	\$10.00	86	\$2.50	111	\$7.00	136	\$25.00	161	\$10.00
12	\$10.00	37	\$5.50	62	\$6.00	87	\$4.50	112	\$3.00	137	\$15.00	162	\$10.00
13	\$10.00	38	\$5.00	63	\$3.00	88	\$2.50	113	\$35.00	138	\$15.00	163	\$10.00
14	\$5.00	39	\$3.00	64	\$10.00	89	\$3.00	114	\$30.00	139	\$15.00	164	\$10.00
15	\$2.50	40	\$5.00	65	\$10.00	90	\$2.25	115	\$25.00	140	\$20.00	165	\$10.00
16	\$5.00	41	\$5.00	66	\$3.00	91	\$2.25	116	\$20.00	141	\$35.00	166	\$10.00
17	\$5.00	42	\$10.00	67	\$10.00	92	\$2.25	117	\$10.00	142	\$125.00	167	\$10.00
18	\$5.00	43	\$10.00	68	\$5.00	93	\$2.25	118	\$20.00	143	\$17.00	168	\$10.00
19	\$5.00	44	\$5.00	69	\$10.00	94	\$6.50	119	\$70.00	144	\$10.00	169	\$10.00
20	\$5.00	45	\$10.00	70	\$3.00	95	\$8.50	120	\$140.00	145	\$20.00		
21	\$5.00	46	\$5.00	71	\$3.00	96	\$3.25	121	\$75.00	146	\$10.00	Grand Total of Sales	\$2,957.00
22	\$10.00	47	\$5.00	72	\$10.00	97	\$5.50	122	\$75.00	147	\$10.00		
23	\$5.50	48	\$5.00	73	\$5.00	98	\$16.00	123	\$80.00	148	\$10.00		
24	\$10.00	49	\$10.00	74	\$6.00	99	\$10.50	124	\$45.00	149	\$20.00		
25	\$5.00	50	\$5.00	75	\$75.00	100	\$4.00	125	\$65.00	150	\$20.00		

Help please

Steve Endicott (LM 2284) & Dan Baugher (#3825)



Any help identifying the user and purpose of this perforated identifier would be appreciated. The pattern has been seen in Sc#s UX534, UX538, UX543, UX545 and UX546 all issued in the 1950s.

The only possibly related information which has been found is a Shriners Temple located at 650 Geary Street in San Francisco. Is this organization the user of the pattern? Did they use the punch in lieu of a return address?

Auction #173

Closes: November 25, 2022

Guidelines: A minimum bid is specified for each lot. Lots will be sold to the highest bidder at the following advances over the next highest bidder:

Up to \$5 - a \$0.25 advance;
\$5.01-\$15 - a \$0.50 advance;
\$15.01-\$25 - a \$1.00 advance;
\$25.01-\$50 - a \$2.50 advance;
\$50.01 + - a \$5.00 advance.

No "Buy" bids; "or" bids are ok. In case of tie bids, the earlier postmark or e-mail wins. All single perfins are complete and in good condition, unless otherwise noted.

Bid by Lot #.

I will confirm all email bids via email.

Straight edges are identified but not considered to

be defects. In larger lots, you should expect some faults.

Lots will be sold to the winning bidder at the Minimum Bid or one increment over the 2nd highest bidder.

I have done my best to identify the Scott catalog number of each perfin. All individual perfins are returnable - mixtures are not returnable. I will send an invoice detailing your wins or losses.

Payments to the Perfins Club Treasurer. Once payment is received, I will dispatch lots. Winnings totaling more than \$100 will be sent priority mail, otherwise it will be first class mail.

Please put your preferred address (snail- or e-mail) on your bid sheet as this makes it easier for me to notify you after the close of the auction.

Send all bids to: Joe Coulbourne, 1532 Lakeview Pkwy. Locust Grove, VA 22508-5318

Email: josephc427@aol.com

Abbreviations used:

AIR(s) = airmail issue(s)
canc = cancel
com(s) = commemorative(s)
cp = clipped or cut perf @ (*)
cr(s) = crease(s)
CV = catalog value
dam = damaged
def(s) = definitive issue(s)
dup = duplication
est = estimate(d)
?h ? (count) of missing holes
lg = large
MB = minimum bid
MIX = mixture

MDP = many different patterns
NSE* = natural straight edge @
(*)
NVS = nice variety of stamp/NVS
PAR = Parcel Post stamps
pf* = unspecified perforation
faults
PM: = postmarked:
pre = preper
prl - poorly punched
prt = partial
pt (*) = pattern touches perfs @
(*)
RA: = return address

rev(s) = revenues
sc = scrape on vignette
SDE(s) = Special delivery issue(s)
tr = tear
WVB = wide var stamps & pats

Several abbreviations are sometimes modified by a position indicator ("*") as follows: t=top, r=right, b=bottom, l=left
"-c" when used indicates that the condition noted affects a corner of the stamp

Scott #s are used; pattern #s are from most recent catalogues when available

United States Perfins									
Lot	Cat #	Rate	Description	MB	Lot	Cat #	Rate	Description	MB
1	A7	B	Sc# 463	\$10.00	37	C372	C+	Sc# 697	\$5.00
2	A197	B	Sc# 634	\$10.00	38	C414	C+	Sc# 724	\$5.00
3	A24	C+	Sc# 506	\$5.00	39	C417	E	Sc# 524 lh	\$2.00
4	A31	B	Sc# 375 nsel	\$10.00	40	D74.5	B	Sc# 562 nser	\$10.00
5	A40A	C+	Sc# 374	\$5.00	41	D108	B	Sc# 508	\$10.00
6	A41	B	Sc# 406	\$10.00	42	E119	E	Sc# 833 prl	\$1.00
7	A58	B	Sc# 900	\$10.00	43	E124.5	E	Sc# 572 th, lh	\$1.00
8	A60	E	Sc# 312 CV\$200!	\$20.00	44	F27	E	Sc# 573	\$2.00
9	A64	D	Sc# Q12 lg tr, CV \$40	\$2.00	45	F83	B	Sc# 501	\$10.00
10	A65.5I	B	Sc# 1044	\$10.00	46	M73	C+	Sc# 375	\$5.00
11	A77	B	Sc# 406	\$10.00	47	M102	C+	Sc# 332 cr	\$2.50
12	A81	B	Sc# 406	\$10.00	48	M129	C+	Sc# 332	\$5.00
13	A84	C+	Sc# 509	\$5.00	49	M203	C+	Sc# 332	\$5.00
14	A87-4	E	Sc# 342 CV \$95	\$10.00	50	M219	D+	Sc# 332	\$1.50
15	A102.1	E	Sc# 573 2h	\$1.00	51	M234	C+	Sc# 332	\$5.00
16	A112	B	Sc# 499 cp	\$5.00	52	N81	C+	Sc# 375	\$5.00
17	A124	C	Sc# 510	\$3.00	53	N89I	B	Sc# 640	\$10.00
18	A124.5	B	Sc# 504	\$10.00	54	N144	B	Sc# 499 nser, pf	\$5.00
19	A140A	B+	Sc# 496	\$20.00	55	P8	B	Sc# 642 lh	\$5.00
20	A156	B	Sc# E11 sc	\$5.00	56	P35	B	Sc# 504	\$10.00
21	A173.5	B+	Sc# 515	\$20.00	57	P69	C+	Sc# 591 pf	\$2.50
22	A186.5I	C	Sc# 557 cl	\$1.50	58	P71	C	Sc# 375	\$3.00
23	A197	C	Sc# 463 cl, cr	\$1.50	59	R63	B	Sc# 696	\$10.00
24	A210	C	Sc# 463 pf	\$1.50	60	R68	C+	Sc# 332	\$5.00
25	A212	C	Sc# 837	\$3.00	61	R99	C+	Sc# 332	\$5.00
26	A268	B	Sc# 378	\$10.00	62	S79	C+	Sc# 554 pf	\$2.50
27	A269	B	Sc# Q5	\$10.00	63	S231	B	Sc# 424 nser	\$10.00
28	A275.5	B+	Sc# 501	\$20.00	64	T22	B	Sc# 715	\$10.00
29	B62-4	A	Sc# 378	\$75.00	65	T107	B	Sc# 375 cr	\$5.00
30	B288	B	Sc# 332	\$10.00	66	U75A	B	Sc# 736 nsel	\$10.00
31	C159	C+	Sc# 638	\$5.00	67	W140	B	Sc# 807	\$10.00
32	C173	C+	Sc# 693	\$5.00	68	W177A	B	Sc# 643 pf	\$5.00
33	C201A	B	Sc# 585 pf	\$5.00	69	No. 12	F	Sc# 573	\$2.00
34	C213	C+	Sc# 807	\$5.00	70	Revenues -- BIK/4 of RE93 with 5-14-1941/ F.I.L.; & 2 single stamps of RE196 with VIA 10-15-54 and VIA10-18-54 punched into them		\$2.00	
35	C219	F	Sc# 524 pt(l)	\$2.00					
36	C354	C+	Sc# 638	\$5.00					

Precanceled Perfins; All precancels sound (few touch perforations). Minimum Bids based on rarity of perfin pattern or by the new Precancelled Perfin Catalog (typically 1/2 catalog)				
Lot	City	State	Notes	MB
71	Chicago	IL	Pattern O99.5. E rated. Type L-4 on Sc. 513.	\$2.00
72	Jackson	MS	Pattern S195-55. B rated. Type 621 on Sc. 684. Split (typical)	\$5.00
73	Buffalo	NY	Pattern I43.7G-14. D rated. Type 61 on Sc. 641. Perf flts	\$2.00
74	Buffalo	NY	Pattern P55-24. D rated. Type 61 on Sc. 639.	\$3.00
75	Long Island City	NY	Pattern N186. D rated. Type 207 on Sc. 570. Crease.	\$1.00
76	New York	NY	Pattern A106. E rated. Type 71 on Sc. 809. Split.	\$2.00

Precanceled Perfins (cont.)				
Lot	City	State	Notes	MB
77	New York	NY	Pattern C219. F rated. Type 63 on Sc. 634.	\$3.00
78	New York	NY	Pattern F31. C rated. Type 63 on Sc. 642. Perf flts, 2h	\$1.50
79	New York	NY	Pattern F84. D rated. Type 43 on Sc. 591	\$5.00
80	Janesville	WI	Pattern P174A. D rated. Type 204 on Sc. 513.	\$2.00

United States Mixtures										
<p>The following lots are from one man's lifetime accumulation. He bought them, squirreled them away and never looked at them. You might find anything in here. Unchecked by me. Estimate 5%-25% damage. Hours and hours of fun and sorting. Duplication, may even be heavy, in some lots; but these are not identical lots and they contain a wide variety of perfins. At 3c a perfin, well worth the time and money.</p>										
Lot		Count	Descr	MB		Lot		Count	Descr	MB
81	USA Mix	500(50)	MIX	\$15.00		86	USA Mix	500(50)	MIX	\$15.00
82	USA Mix	500(50)	MIX	\$15.00		87	USA Mix	500(50)	MIX	\$15.00
83	USA Mix	500(50)	MIX	\$15.00		88	USA Mix	500(50)	MIX	\$15.00
84	USA Mix	500(50)	MIX	\$15.00		89	USA Mix	500(50)	MIX	\$15.00
85	USA Mix	500(50)	MIX	\$15.00		90	USA Mix	500(50)	MIX	\$15.00

Mixtures are unchecked by me. Pattern Ratings are shown as noted by sellers.				
Lot	Country	Count	Description	MB
91	USA Mix	485 (121)	SDES (17); PAR (1); coms (72); Pre(117); Airs (208); revs (1) & defs (69)	\$20.00

One man's lifetime collection of perfins (worldwide). Unchecked by me and not "cherry picked". The Great Britain collection is extremely well represented with all reigns present with a wide range of patterns including high values, (all different dies (ADD)) and multiple different dies in face different stamps (DDF) perfined. The GB is on black stock sheets - very heavy to ship. Will put in glassines on request - especially for overseas bidders. Each pattern is labeled and stamps arranged next to it. Will show range by QV - Kings - QE2. Very nice collections of GB!

Lot	Country	Count	Description	MB
92	Great Britain	1377	Letters DR-D1. 144 ADD; 857 DDF; QV-206; K-914; QE2-257	\$140.00
93	Great Britain	549	Letters F-FB. 114 ADD; 523 DDF; QV-89; K-399; QE2-61	\$55.00
94	Great Britain	763	Letters FC-FK. 156 ADD; 740 DDF; QV-52; K-595; QE2-116	\$80.00
95	Great Britain	652	Letters FL-FP. 113 ADD; 578 DDF; QV-114; K-480; QE2-58	\$65.00
96	Great Britain	601	Letters FR-FW. 134 ADD; 574 DDF; QV-89; K-439; QE2-73	\$60.00
97	Great Britain	1076	Letters G-GB. 121 ADD; 653 DDF; QV-168; K-762; QE2-146	\$110.00
98	Great Britain	500+	Penny Red & 2 Penny Blue Perfins (and a few other earlies). I counted 245 different dies with many patterns having multiples (either duplication or different plate numbers. Average condition for these stamps (clipped, poor perforations, etc. although many are in good shape). Has to be worth ~\$2/perfin. Rare opportunity to build your collection. If you Ebay'd these, I would guess you could get a couple thousand dollars easily. Sorted in GK envelopes.	\$1,000.00
Other Worldwide Mixtures				
Lot	Country	Count	Description	MB
99	Australia	2224(200)	Huge Mix! Gov. & priv. perfins. Dup, probably heavy on some. WVB. Well worth 3c each. Many hours of fun here.	\$65.00

Other Worldwide Mixtures (cont.)				
Lot	Country	Count	Description	MB
100	Australian States	344 (35)	Huge Mix! Mostly Gov. perfins with some priv. WA (11); NSW (127); SA (71); Qld (36); Vic (57); Tas (42). Est 10% dam, dup.	\$35.00
101	Canada	2950 (300)	Huge mix but seems to all be 4-hole OH/MS issues. Heav dup. Great lot for a position hunter and anyone missing a few OH/MS issues. Got to be worth a penny each.	\$30.00
102	China	12	Perfin Y.T.T. in 12 different issues including 2 imperf. Nice lot	\$12.00
103	Germany	356 (60)	Nice mix! MDP/NVS. Some unusual stamps in this mix. dam count is est. Dup (light).	\$35.00
104	Germany	50 (8)	Mix of the weird and unusual. Private posts, occupation, army, Berlin. I have never seen many of these.	\$25.00
105	Germany	14 (3)	Revenues (at least I think they are). Very unusual stamps. Nice.	\$2.00
106	Germany	109 (11)	Germany Punch Cancels (holes mainly). Unusual. Duplication.	\$11.00
107	India & States	217 (22)	India (179); Nawanagar (1); Cochin (6); Hyderabad (31). Nice mix - many high values, dup (heavy on a few).	\$25.00
108	Monaco	79 (10)	More Monaco perfins than I have seen in one place for many years. 4 patterns (A1 - 42 stamps; 15 DDF); (A4 - 8 stps; 5 DDF); (A11 - 17 stamps; 9 DDF); (A12 - 12 stamps; 7 DDF). There is ink bleeding on about half of the stps but I think a good wash in bleach will take care of that. Well worth the minimum bid	\$40.00
109	Romania	304(30)	Very nice and very clean mixture. dups.	\$35.00
110	South & Central America	40 (4)	Bolivia (8); Nicaragua (5); Venezuela (2); Ecuador (3); Mexico (2); Uruguay (3); Guatemala (2); Peru (6); Cuba (9). dups.	\$5.00
Non-USA Perfins				
111	France	DMC 84	DMC (2 1/2 strikes) in Sc. C15. Catalog value \$310!!	\$30.00

USA Perfin Covers				
Lot	Cat#	Rate	Description	MB
112	D104	D	PM: 4JAN1923. Liverpool Paquebot canc on blk/8 Sc#s557, 552 & 583. Fragment only.	\$2.00
113	EP13.95	C	PM: 21NOV1979. RA: Capital Stamp Shop, Wichita KS. ID: Donald Eberhardt, 3101 Jackson, Wichita, Kansas 67204 - U.S.A. Unusual cancellation featuring an airplane. Sc#1800. Handwritten notation of "First Day New Perfin". Nice cover	\$10.00
114	R188	C	Long envelope. Undated. PM: New York, H.T. ID: Royal Insurance Company, Limited, Royal Insurance Building, 84 William Street, New York. Likely Sc.#374. Cover has been folded.	\$10.00
Non-USA Perfin Covers				
Lot	Country	Pattern	Description	MB
115	Austria	LB-21A?-MP	Registered European cover. PM: 19NOV1913. Wien. ID: Kais. Kön. Privilegirte, Österreichische Länderbank. Boxed red "Überprüf" on front. Sent to Bruxelles. Clean cover. Handstamp means "check" so likely a customs handstamp.	\$8.00
116	Canada	S10	Small Cover. PM: 14FEB1924 Hamilton ONT. ID: The Steel Company of Canada Limited, General Offices, Hamilton - Canada. Sc. 107. Slogan Cancel. G rated	\$3.00

Non-USA Perfin Covers				
Lot	Country	Pattern	Description	MB
117	Canada	C33	Check from the Canadian Pacific Railway Company to the Toronto Hamilton & Buffalo Ry. Co. PM: 20MAY1925. Blk/8 4c Excise Tax stamps perforated CPR with an additional dated punch of "PAID 5-28-25". Pretty nice item.	\$15.00
118	Germany	E&E-1-01-01	European airmail cover. PM: 7JUN1935. Berlin C2. ID: Eisner & Kirchheim, Gesellschaft mit beschränkter Haftung, Berlin C2. Sent to England. Sc#416 (2 copies) and Sc#429 (not perfined).	\$5.00
119	Italy	B33	3 European covers, 1 censored. a) PM: Torino Ferrovia (train) 9JAN1917 Sc# 105. Sent to Amsterdam. b) PM: Palermo Porto 10DEC1918, Sc#100. Sent to Chicago. c) PM: Bergamo Centro 26NOV1928, Sc#88. Sent to Baden. All perfined B.C.I (B33). Nice group.	\$15.00
120	Newfoundland	A12	Small Cover. PM: 21JUL1935. St. Johns, N'Fld. ID: Ayre & Sons, Limited, Merchants, 215 to 219, 231 to 235, 249 to 253, Water Street, St. John's, Newfoundland. Sc#227. Very neat and clean.	\$7.00

Does Memphis, TN Exist as a Preper with I43.7B-21?

Dave Smith (LM1514)

In the catalog for Memphis there are a number of denoms listed under I43.7B-21 for PSS Type L-1E. Below is the current listing of L-1E for I43.7B-21:

L-1E 1926 – 3S , 4T , 10inv , 12 , 13 , 14 , 14inv , 20dn , 25dn
1932 Bicent – 4

I do not have any examples of any of the listed items.

Most listings also appear in stamps with precancel Ty. 255. This is the current listing of Ty. 255 for prepers with I43.7B-21:

255 1926–3S , 4T , 9inv , 10inv , 12 , 14inv , 20dn , 25dn , 30up

Could someone have confused the two types?



Ty. 255 has no serifs
like the 12¢ above



Ty. L-1E has serified letters
like the 20¢ above

In the *Preper Catalog*, International Harvester (I43.7B-21) is the only Memphis pattern for which both of these PSS Types are listed. It is also the only Memphis Preper that is listed as using the Ty. 255 precancel. All of the Type 255 listings have been confirmed, but none of the L-1E listed prepers are known. The only L-1E listing that does not appear also in the 255 is the 4 cent 1932 Bicent in the normal precancel position.

Could you please check to see if the prepers in your collection are Type 255 or Type L-1E? If an error occurred in previous catalogs, it would be good to correct this error now.

Club Member's Ad

WANTED Stamps & Information on perfins in the 1901 Pan-American Exposition Issue (Scott # 294-299). New member interested in researching and purchasing these perfins. I am writing an article on this topic and only collect the Pan-American issue. I would love to add perfins of this issue to my collection. Scans (both front and back) of any perfins on Pan-American issues are greatly appreciated. Please make the scans in JPEG format and at 300dpi or higher. Contact Mike Vagnetti (#4298) at mjvagnetti@gmail.com

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FLORIDA WINTER MEET UPDATE

Frank Bird, PSS 5239

The Florida Precancel Club Precancel Bourse & Perfins Exchange will hold its annual Winter Meet on January 25-28, 2023 in Tampa Florida. Hotel location remains at the Country Inn & Suites by Radison RJ Stadium Tampa Hotel, 4750 Dale Mabry Highway, Tampa FL 33614-6509. Telephone (813) 517-8580 please ask for the Florida Precancel rate (\$119) before January 1, 2023.

There will be a new meeting room location just nine tenths of a mile from the hotel. An updated space at All Art Studio LLC, 4725 N. Hesperides St. Tampa FL 33614.

This will be the 66th FPC Winter Meet. We request those attending our 2023 event to bring an item or two for the auction. Funds received from the annual auction help the club with our expenses to put the event together. Generous donations in past years have been appreciated. Hope to see you in January !!

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Upcoming Events of Interest

January 25-28, 2023 - Florida Winter Meet - Tamp, Florida. See notice on page 99.

August 2023 - PSS/Perfins Club Convention - North Charleston SC - Details yet to be determined. More later.

Annual Dues WERE DUE by June 30, 2022

Your dues for the 2022-23 fiscal year are payable by June 30, 2022
to the Secretary - see p.82 for address.

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