

# The Bulletin

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## Rudy Roy Named 1983

### Hallock Card Award Winner

Rudy Roy's work as Public Relations Chairman for the Perfins Club has earned him the 1983 Hallock Card Award.

For the past six and one half years Rudy has been the spokesman for the Perfins Club who reports to the various philatelic papers. Those of you who subscribe to a philatelic newspaper will recognize Rudy's efforts, though his name is rarely mentioned.

Rudy recently retired from the US Navy after 20 years of service. He is enjoying the retirement at home in Virginia Beach with his wife and their six children.

Rudy's perfin interest centers on Latin America. He has contributed several articles to the Bulletin and is currently assisting Bob Schwerdt with the Latin American pages being published in the World Catalog.

In conjunction with the 35th anniversary of the Perfins Club, Rudy was instrumental in coordinating the development of the lighthouse perfin (US DES 50). He is also currently working on another article for the Perfins Bulletin.

Lest we assume that perfiners are myopic -- Rudy is a member of the American Philatelic Society, the APS Writers Unit #30, the American Philatelic Research Library, the American Philatelic Congress, the American Revenue Association, the Canal Zone Study Group, the US Possessions Philatelic Society, and the Cuban Philatelic Society of America. He is immediate past president of the Virginia Beach Stamp Club and did such a great job as chairman of the recently concluded VAPEX'83 that he was made chairman for VAPEX'84. He is also a member of the Norfolk Philatelic Society and the Tidewater International Topics Society.

Rudy, when not working on perfins, is a specialist on Cuban stamps. He has coauthored a handbook on Cuban philately which he is planning to update in the near future.

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## CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Several congratulations are in order this month!!

Vice-president Harry Rickard and Secretary Ralph Smith have been elected for full terms to their respective offices. Both men took over unexpired terms of office during the shuffle last summer and both of their efforts since that time have been recognized with this election. Again, congratulations gentlemen!

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H. Frederick Vopper (#1863) won a silver-bronze medal at SEPAD 83 held recently in Philadelphia, PA. Mr. Vopper's exhibit "Railroad Perfins" was his first attempt to exhibit perfins in a national show -- since he considers himself a beginner in perfin collecting!

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Edward S. Hoyt (#292) won both a silver medal and the Club Member Award at the Oct. 15-16, 1983 SUSOPEX '83. His exhibit is titled "An Introduction to Perfin Collecting".

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Harry Rickard continues to pile up the awards with his exhibits. The update of the perfins on the 1902 Regular Series elsewhere in this Bulletin was delayed while Harry waited for his exhibit to be returned from SESCOAL; he needed to check some stamps in the exhibit. It won a Silver Award (and two nice items). Harry also won a Vermeil and 3rd most popular exhibit in the show Awards at POWPEX.

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Four winning exhibits and six awards in a single newsletter is NEWS! As has been stated before -- perfins can and do win at shows. Lets share our specialty with the rest of the world!

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## WE HAVE A NEW PUBLISHER

As of this issue Ronald G. Kunavich, 8234 Flanders Dr., San Diego, CA 92126 is our new publisher. Ron is a relatively new member of the Club (#2010) having joined in 1981. He has served 23 years in the US Navy; a data processing specialist who now has (permanent) shore duty in San Diego. He is enjoying being home at night after many years of 9 months of sea duty per year.

Ron is also a member of the American Philatelic Society and the Precancel Stamp Society. He collects U.S. perfins and precancels, Russia and some Baltic States, cinderella material, and other things such as booklet panes. Ron also coaches a soccer team and calls Bingo for his church.

We welcome Ron and wish him well in this new job.

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# SERIES OF 1902 REVISITED

BY HARRY RICKARD

An interesting history and analysis of perfins on the United States Regular Series of 1902 was updated by the late Ray Crow on page 5 of the January 1978 Perfins Bulletin.

Increased membership, continued publicity, and more exhibiting of perfins have brought many old perfins out of hiding. This listing is intended to update Ray's revised list -- only patterns or values not listed in the 1978 listing (or in the original 1973 Corliss list) are cataloged here.

Users of this list should note that at the current time there are two patterns cataloged as G72-1A; the pattern referred to on the 1902 issues is the one with the narrow bar on the G.

A53	10	D95	8	K47	4	S11	2
A60	15	E110	2	L2	2	S24	2
A136	1	E117	1	L76	5	S46	2
A162	4	F25	2	L174	1	S167	6
A166	2	F73	1-4	L162	2	S195-40	1
A265.5	4-10	F114.5	1	L185	1-2	S203	8
A268	15	F129	2	M8.7	13	S215	4
B1	2	F163	\$2*	M25 var.	2	S228	1
B53	13	F167	\$2*	M109	2	S287	2
B79	5	F170	\$5*	M144	8	S338	1
B82	10	F234	4	M161	2	T24	4
B145	\$2*	G19	15	M177	8	T41	3
B152	10	G72	4-8	M193	2	T43.5	6
B185	4	G72-1A	10	M195	10	T106	2
B277	10	G72-1.5	15-20	M196	10	U13	4
C3	2	G72-26	8	M203	2	U73	1
C24	5	G72-36	6	N36	2	V28	3
C80	2	G106	5	N54	8	W7	2-10
C108	2	G137	10	N67	2	W21	6
C135	2	G146	5	N71	6	W69	\$5*
C147	\$2*	G171	2	N207	2	W83	5
C182	1	G189	2	O74	5-15	W117	4
C230	2-#1	H14	4	P22	2	W125	1-8-10
C236	\$1	H44	2	P95	2	W149	2-15
C238	2	h83	1	P95.5	8	W153	1
C255	2	H129	2	P174	2	W159	2
C303	15	H138	2	Q.6	10-15	W220	2-10
C312	2-10	H192	5	R4	2	Y11	1
C382	6	I41	4	R6	1-2	DES.9	2
C407	2	I53	2	R52	2	NUM.4	6
C421	2	I70	2	R87	2		
D76	2	I91	10	R87.5	1		
D92	2	K41	8	R159	10		

\* - indicates perf. 10 issues

Members having any perfins on Series of 1902 stamps not listed (either perfin pattern or stamp issue) in this or the previous articles, please let Harry know. For those who do not have the previous article, it is listed as PB-29 in the Club library and is available for loan from the librarian (B. L. Timmerman, 1606 Britney Drive, Sherwood, AR 72116).

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## CANADA CODE SPEEDS MAIL

A recent note from Canadian member Robert C. Smith of Ottawa brings some information about the Canadian Postal Code to our attention. Since many members correspond with friends in Canada the information is relevant to many of us.

Canada has not put on a full scale advertising campaign to publicise their rules, so they are not well known. Further, letters which do not conform to the rules are not sorted in the normal processing of mails -- they are hand sorted, with a subsequent delay.

The rules reprinted below are taken directly from the Canadian "Directory of Postal Codes".

1. Always show the CODE as the last item of the address.
2. Always print the CODE in block capitals.
3. Do not use periods or other punctuation anywhere in the CODE.
4. Leave a clear space, the equivalent to one character, between the two parts of the CODE.
5. Never underline the CODE.
6. Do not join the characters of the CODE in any way.
7. Whenever possible, place the CODE on a line by itself at the end of the address. For example:

Mr. W. M. Smith,  
150 Nepean St., Apt. 5,  
Ottawa, Ontario  
K2P 0B6

In cases where it may be impossible, because of addressing machine limitations, to use a separate line for the CODE, it may be shown on the same line as the city and province, providing it is separated from whatever precedes it by a space equivalent to two characters, as in the following example:

Mr. W. M. Smith,  
150 Nepean St., Apt.5,  
Ottawa, Ont. K2P 0b6

Letters addressed to this country from overseas should follow the same format, with the CODE on a separate line if possible, or after the word "CANADA" and separated from it by a suitable space.

8. If you use any subscription or account numbers on the envelope, they should be written above the address and not placed where they could be confused with the CODE.

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9. No part of the address should appear below the CODE on the envelope. "For attention of....." and similar messages should be shown above the address.
  10. Please continue to write the entire address, including the street and number, and the apartment or suite number if applicable, on all mail.
  11. All previous zone numbers are withdrawn. The zone numbers are not incorporated into the CODE.

The rules are quite clear as to where the CODE should appear. Let's help ourselves by helping the Canadian mail handlers do their job efficiently.

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## ADS

FOR SALE: US collection, 1 A-rated, 21 B-rated, 122 C-rated, 246 D-rated, 415 E-rated, and 60 F rated; total of 865 all different patterns. Mounted in the 1966 US Perfins Catalog/Album. A few creased or incomplete but mostly very good quality material. Reserve bid \$90.00. Contact Jack Gooding by March 1, 1984 with your bid.

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FOR SALE: German perfin collection having 4086 different fine patterns plus an additional 186 with defects. Reserve bid \$320.00. Contact Ivan Ley, Box 42, Arena, WI 53503 by March 1, 1984.

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WANTED: Governmental or business perfins (not personal ones) on the Americana definitive series. Will trade (perfins or other) or purchase. Contact Robert E. Manning, 73 Green Street, Marblehead, MA 01945.

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WANTED: Information. A.C. van den Oudenalder, a Dutch topical collector, has written requesting help with a research project. Mr. Oudenalder has recently written an article, "Thematische Firma Perforaties"; published in *Druck Doende* 5:232-241 (September 1983). The article, which he has offered to translate for the *Perfins Bulletin*, deals with Dutch perfins of companies which produce or extensively use paper.

Mr. Oudenalder wishes to correspond with perfin collectors who are interested in, or who have information about, perfins of companies dealing in papermaking or printing (eg. newspapers, advertising agencies, paper mills, etc.) -- from the US or any other country.

He can be contacted at: 't Jaagpad 6, 3742 GS Baarn, Netherlands.

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I was recently fortunate enough to find and purchase a copy of the 1902 Scott Stamp & Coin Co. Ltd. Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue. It is fascinating to read! Over time, several significant changes have occurred in both the format and the content of the catalog.

The first and most obvious change which has taken place over the intervening years is size. In 1902 the entire world's listings fit neatly into a volume 6 1/2 X 4 1/4 X 1 inch in size (17 X 11 X 2.4 cms). The volume is 689 pages long and each page has only two columns of stamp listings. The largest number of stamps which I have seen in any column is 61 but they average around 30 listings per column.

The numbering system used by the cataloguers has been completely redone since that time. The system now used is similar in that it recognizes classes of stamps (regular and commemorative, semi-postal, air mail, postage due, etc.), but at that time letter designators (none, B, C, and J respectively) were not used.

LUXEMBURG.

g. Perforated through the stamp.



1890

Perf. 11, 11 1/2, 11 and 12 1/2.

177 A8	1c pearl gray	1
178 A8	2c gray brown	2
179 "	4c olive bistre	3
180 "	5c green	3
181 "	10c carmine	4
182 A7	12 1/2c slate green	5
183 "	20c orange	8
184 "	25c blue	10
185 "	30c olive	12
186 "	37 1/2c green	15
187 "	50c brown	18
188 "	1fr deep violet	35
189 "	2 1/2fr black	85
190 "	5fr lake	1.65

SALVADOR.

Regular issue surcharged and punched



- 588 A61 1c bistre brown
- 587 " 2c gray green
- 588 " 5c brown orange
- 589 " 13c deep rose

- Black Surcharge.
- 590 A61 13c dark green

With additional Surcharge in Black



- 591 A61 13c deep rose

1900 Unpaid Letter Stamps of 1899 Issue Surcharged in Black



- 592 U1 1c orange
- 593 " 2c "
- 594 " 3c "
- 595 " 5c "

With additional Surcharge in Black



- 596 U1 1c orange
- 597 " 2c "
- 598 " 3c "
- 599 " 5c "
- 600 " 10c "
- 601 " 15c "
- 602 " 25c "

Surcharged in black



and

punched

- 603 U1 1c orange
- 604 " 2c "
- 605 " 3c "
- 606 " 5c "

With additional Surcharge in Black.



- 607 U1 1c orange
- 608 " 2c "
- 609 " 5c "

Number series were used; they were assigned to accommodate the relative numbers of stamps issued in each category by each country. A brief example -- for Great Britain the listings are as follows: #1-126 regular issues, #201-249 revenue stamps used for postage, #301-380 official stamps (in four distinct blocks for I.R. Official, Govt. Parcels, O.W. Official, and Army Official), #401-420 & 501-522 envelopes (Government and private issues respectively), #601-678 compound envelopes, #701-705 registration envelopes, #801-815 wrappers, #1101-1107 British Offices in Levant, and, finally, #1201 envelope (Br. Ofc. in Levant).

Those familiar with the Scott Catalog of the present will notice the difference in the numbering and also the problem that came about. The numbering was inflexible -- when air mail came into existence there was no place to put it, when Great Britain issued its 201st regular series stamp there was no place to put it, etc.

The change in allowable categories should also be obvious to any user of the current volumes. Scott no longer lists any postal stationary or revenue categories, nor does it catalog such items as stamps of letter cards used as postage, stamps of wrappers used as postage, telegraph stamps used as postage, and several other types of postal franking.

All this is the long way around to the point -- for perfin collectors, at least. In three separate places in this catalog there are listings of perfins, an almost defunct category in the current catalog. In the 1902 version Luxembourg, Salvador, and Tunis are shown as having government issued perfins. The listings are reproduced along with this article.

The usage by both Salvador and by Luxembourg was on official stamps. Tunis (now listed as Tunisia) used their perfin to designate postage due stamps ("Unpaid Letter").

Of these three listings, only that for Salvador remains in the current catalog. They appear in the D174-0208 range in the current numbering system.

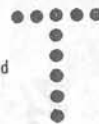
The only other specific current listing in the Scott Catalog, of which I am aware, is France C6b, the EIPA30 perfin.

The current practice in this catalog is to footnote perfins where they are of official origin and where the catalogers deem it fitting. Thus several general listings do appear but they will be no help to the specialist. Among the countries so footnoted are Canada (O.H.M.S.), Costa Rica (star), Great Britain (H.M.O.W., B.T., O.W. and S.O. with crowns and H.M.S.O. and D.S.I.R. both without crowns), Hungary (triangle), and Switzerland (cross). There is no mention of private perfins, except in the glossary.

My run through the Scott Catalog has caused me to wonder just how many of these holey stamps which we collect so avidly are known to the general collecting public; just how many of the patterns appear, either in direct listing, in footnote form, or in illustrations, in the major catalogues of the philatelic community at large. As an example Michel refers to (but does not extensively catalogue) the POL perfins used in Germany and Yvert lists the EIPA30 perfin. Does anyone have a feel for the number of perfins which may be currently listed in the major, world stamp catalogs?

#### TUNIS, AF.

##### UNPAID LETTER STAMPS.



Regular issues punched

##### 1888 Perf. 14x13 1/2.

101 A1	1c blue	5
102 "	2c purple brown, yellow	8
103 "	5c green, greenish	12
104 "	15c blue, grayish	35
105 "	25c rose	35
106 "	40c red, straw	50
107 "	75c carmine, rose	85
108 "	5fr gray violet, grayish	6.00

##### 1888-98

109 A2	1c lilac blue	2
110 "	2c red brown, yellow	3
	a. 2c claret, bistre	3
112 "	5c green, greenish	4
113 "	10c lavender	8
114 "	15c blue, grayish	8
115 "	25c rose	12
116 "	40c red, straw	25
117 "	75c carmine, rose	75
118 "	75c deep violet, orange	40
119 A3	1fr bistre olive, pale bistre	50
	a. 1fr olive, olive	50
121 "	5fr red lilac, lavender	2.50

##### Quadrille Paper.

122 A2	15c blue	10
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##### 1899

123 A2	5c yellow green	
124 "	20c red, green	

##### 1901

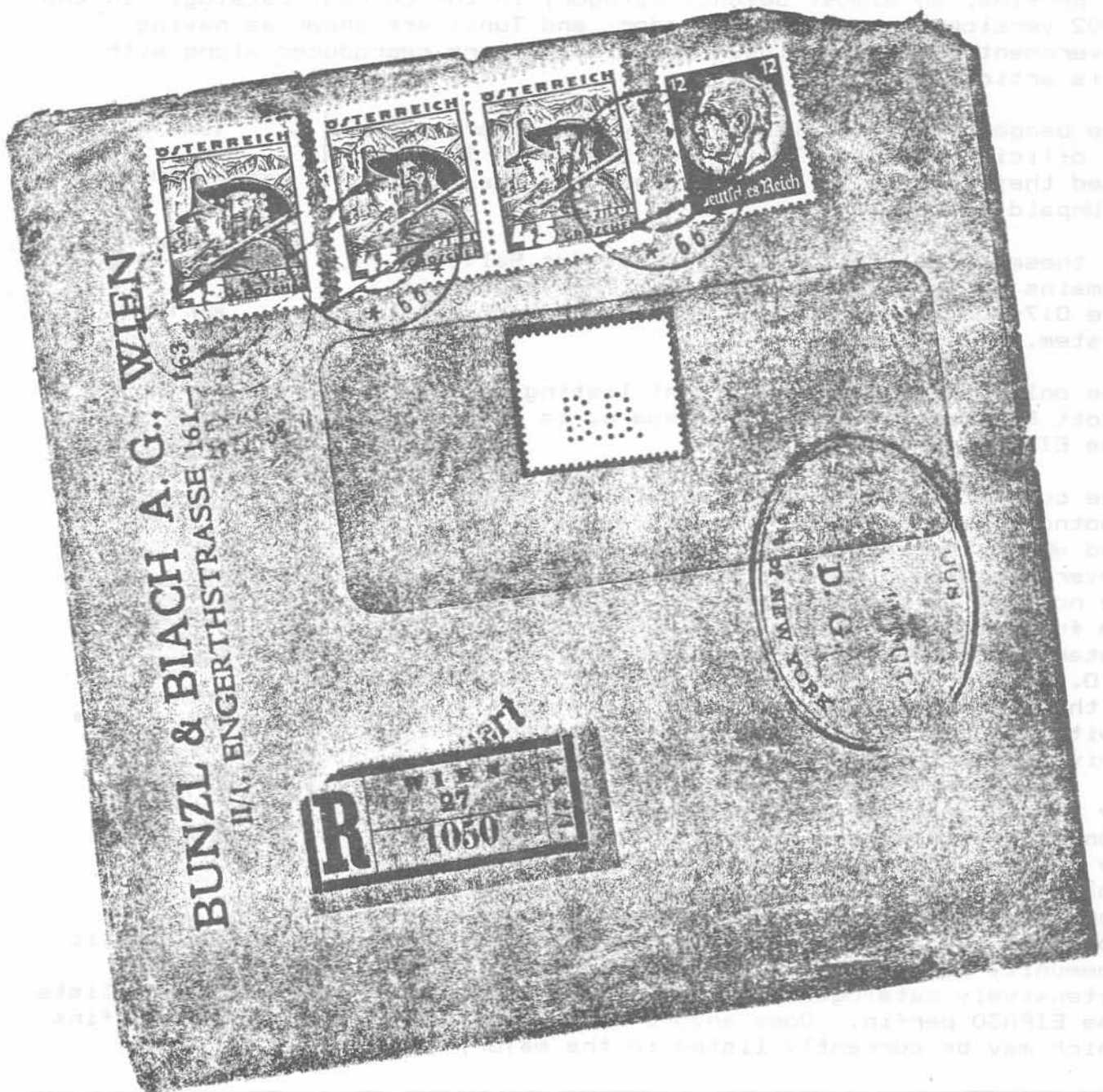
125 A2	10c red	
126 "	15c gray, light gray	
127 "	25c blue	



The illustration at left is of the cancel approved for use at Otselic, NY, to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the Perfins Club. That's right -- 40 years! The first organized effort in perfins philately, the Club began publishing "Perfins" in 1945. Since that time the Club has provided leadership in the research effort aimed at identifying perfin patterns and users.

More about the availability of commemorative covers next month.

COVER CORNER



It isn't often that a combination cover (one carrying the stamps of more than one nation) is found with all of the stamps perforated. This gem is from the collection of John Needham. The B.B. pattern is that of Bunzl & Biach of Vienna.

If you have a cover which you think is particularly interesting, send a good reproduction and we will share it with the membership.



( ) M15	C	( ) M67	C	( ) M125	B	( ) M181	B	( ) M233	E
( ) M16	B	( ) M68	C	( ) M126	B	( ) M182	B	( ) M234	C
( ) M17	C	( ) M69	D	( ) M127	B	( ) M183	C	( ) M235	E
( ) M18	B	( ) M70.5	A	( ) M129	C	( ) M183.5	C	( ) M236	B
( ) M19	B	( ) M71	C	( ) M130	C	( ) M184	E	( ) M237	D
( ) M20	C	( ) M72	C	( ) M132	C	( ) M185	C	( ) M238	C
( ) M21	C	( ) M73	C	( ) M133	C	( ) M187	C	( ) M239	C
( ) M22	B	( ) M74	D	( ) M134	B	( ) M187.5	B	( ) M239.5	A
( ) M23	C	( ) M75	C	( ) M135	B	( ) M188	B	( ) M240	B
( ) M24	A	( ) M77	B	( ) M137	C	( ) M188.5	C	( ) M241	D
( ) M24.5	B	( ) M78	E	( ) M140	C	( ) M189	C	( ) M242	C
( ) M25	B	( ) M79	D	( ) M141	B	( ) M190	E	( ) M243	B
( ) M26	B	( ) M81	C	( ) M142	B	( ) M191	C	( ) M244	C
( ) M27	C	( ) M82	E	( ) M142.3	A	( ) M192	E	( ) M245	C
( ) MM28	E	( ) M83	E	( ) M142.5	B	( ) M193	D	( ) M246	C
( ) M29	B	( ) M84	C	( ) M143	B	( ) M194	C	( ) M247	B
( ) M30	A	( ) M84.5	B	( ) M144	B	( ) M194A		( ) M248	C
( ) M30.5	A	( ) M87	B	( ) M145	E	( ) M195	D	( ) M248.5	C
( ) M30.7	A	( ) M89	C	( ) M146	C	( ) M196	C	( ) M249	E
( ) M31	C	( ) M90	E	( ) M147	B	( ) M197	C	( ) M250	D
( ) M32	C	( ) M91	B	( ) M148	E	( ) M197.5	A	( ) M251	B
( ) M33	D	( ) M92	C	( ) M149	C	( ) M198	C	( ) M252	E
( ) M34	D	( ) M93	A	( ) M150	C	( ) M199	A	( ) M253	E
( ) M35	B	( ) M95	B	( ) M151	D	( ) M200	C	( ) M253.5	A
( ) M36	C	( ) M96	D	( ) M152	E	( ) M201	B	( ) M254	D
( ) M36.5	B	( ) M97	D	( ) M153	D	( ) M202	D	( ) M256	C
( ) M37	C	( ) M98	D	( ) M154	E	( ) M203	C	( ) M257	E
( ) M38	C	( ) M99	D	( ) M154A	C	( ) M204	B	( ) M258	C
( ) M39	B	( ) M100	C	( ) M155	C	( ) M205	D	( ) M258.5	D
( ) M40	A	( ) M101	C	( ) M156	D	( ) M207	B	( ) M259	E
( ) M40A	C	( ) M102	C	( ) M158	F	( ) M207A	B	( ) M260	E
( ) M41	C	( ) M103	C	( ) M159	E	( ) M208	C	( ) M261	A
( ) M42	C	( ) M104	B	( ) M160	C	( ) M208.5	B	( ) M262	B
( ) M43	D	( ) M105	B	( ) M161	E	( ) M210	C	( ) M263	C
( ) M44	A	( ) M106A	D	( ) M162	E	( ) M210.5	D	( ) M264	C
( ) M45	B	( ) M106B	E	( ) M163	E	( ) M211	D	( ) M265	C
( ) M46	B	( ) M107	B	( ) M164	F	( ) M212	D	( ) M268	E
( ) M47	E	( ) M108	A	( ) M165	D	( ) M213	C	( ) M269	E
( ) M47.5	A	( ) M109	B	( ) M166	B	( ) M214	B	( ) M270	C
( ) M48	E	( ) M110	B	( ) M166.5	D	( ) M215	C	( ) M271	B
( ) M49	C	( ) M110.5	A	( ) M167	E	( ) M217	C	( ) M272	D
( ) M49.5	E	( ) M111	A	( ) M167.5	A	( ) M218	D	( ) M272.5	B
( ) M50	E	( ) M112	B	( ) M167.7		( ) M218.5		( ) M273	C
( ) M51	C	( ) M113	D	( ) M168	B	( ) M219	C	( ) M274	C
( ) M52	B	( ) M115	E	( ) M169	A	( ) M220	B	( ) M275	C
( ) M53	D	( ) M116	B	( ) M170	B	( ) M220.5	A	( ) M275.3	B
( ) M54	C	( ) M117	B	( ) M171	C	( ) M221	B	( ) M275.5	B
( ) M55	C	( ) M118	A	( ) M172	B	( ) M222	B	( ) M276	C
( ) M57	E	( ) M119	B	( ) M173	B	( ) M223	B	( ) M276.5	B
( ) M58	B	( ) M120	B	( ) M174	D	( ) M224	C	( ) M277	C
( ) M59	D	( ) M121	B	( ) M175	B	( ) M225	B	( ) M278	C
( ) M60	B	( ) M122	B	( ) M176	C	( ) M226	B	( ) M278.5	A
( ) M61	D	( ) M123	D	( ) M176.5	A	( ) M227	E	( ) M279	D
( ) M63	B	( ) M123.5	B	( ) M177	C	( ) M228	D	( ) M279.5	
( ) M64	B	( ) M123.7	B	( ) M178	B	( ) M230	B	( ) M280	C
( ) M66	B	( ) M124	C	( ) M180	D	( ) M231	D	( ) M281	B

( ) M282	C	( ) N20	C	( ) N83	D	( ) -A	E	( ) -ABb5a	C
( ) M283	B	( ) N21	D	( ) N84	C	( ) -A1	D	( ) -ABb6	D
( ) M285	C	( ) N22	C	( ) N85	B	( ) -A1a	D	( ) -ABb6a	C
( ) M286	D	( ) N24	D	( ) N86	B	( ) -A2	B	( ) -ABb7	C
( ) M286.5	A	( ) N27	E	( ) N87	B	( ) -A2a	D	( ) -ABb7a	C
( ) M287	D	( ) N28	C	( ) N88	C	( ) -A3	E	( ) -ABb8	D
( ) M288	C	( ) N29	A	( ) N90	D	( ) -A4	E	( ) -ABb9	D
( ) M289	D	( ) N30	D	( ) N90.5A	E	( ) -A5	D	( ) -ABb10	D
( ) M289.5		( ) N31	C	( ) N90.5B	D	( ) -A6	E	( ) -ABb11	D
( ) M291	D	( ) N32	C	( ) N90.7	E	( ) -A6a	E	( ) -ABb12	C
( ) M292	C	( ) N33	B	( ) N91	A	( ) -A7	B	( ) -ABb13	C
( ) M292.5	A	( ) N34	C	( ) N92	D	( ) -A8	D	( ) -ABb14	C
( ) M293	C	( ) N35	C	( ) N93	B	( ) -A8a	D	( ) -ABb15	D
( ) M294	B	( ) N36	C	( ) N94	B	( ) -A9	E	( ) -B	C
( ) M295	D	( ) N37	B	( ) N95	B	( ) -A9a	E	( ) -B1	E
( ) M296	D	( ) N38	C	( ) N96	C	( ) -A10	E	( ) -B2	C
( ) M297	C	( ) N39	C	( ) N97	B	( ) -A11	D	( ) -B3	E
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( ) N11	D	( ) N73	C	( ) -6	C	( ) -AB11	B	( ) -BbDd1	A
( ) N12	C	( ) N74	B	( ) -7	D	( ) -AB12	C	( ) -BbDd2	D
( ) N13	D	( ) N75	D	( ) -8	E	( ) -AB13	B	( ) -BbDd3	C
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	ARGENTINA	WS-46 LA-4	Worksheets <u>Argentine Perforated Stamps. Handbook and checklist pub. by W. B. L. Bose in 1953</u>
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	AZORES	WS-90	Worksheets
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	GERMAN OCCUPATION	WS-70	Worksheets

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<b>a</b>	AUSTRALIA and STATES	WS-2 BE-1 BE-18  BE-19 BE-20  BE-25	Worksheets Clipfile "The G/NSW Perf Heads," by Heron, 4pp from <u>Australasian Informer, Sept. 1974</u> <u>The Tasman Australian States Catalog, 1971.</u> "Australia's Federal OS Perfins, 1913-1931", Ball & Belknap, 5pp from SPA Journal 1975 <u>Victorian Government Punctures, by Elford</u>	
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<b>C</b>	CANADA, Continued	CA-12	"Forgeries of Canada's OHMS Perfins," by Pugh Privately published.
		CA-13	C-12 Perfins of Int'l Harvester of Canada. by Pearson, 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
	CAPE OF GOOD HOPE	WS-52 BE-8	Worksheets Clip File
	CEYLON	WS-6 BE-9	Worksheets "CAVE Overprints on the Stamps of Ceylon," by Kiddle, from 1974 <u>Cinderella Philatelist</u> .
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<b>i</b>	INDIA	WS-41 BE-22	Worksheets "Perfins of India," by Bayanwala. 7pp
	COCHIN	BE-21	"Perfin Stamps of Cochin," by David. No illustrations, but checklist 1pp
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	BRAZIL	WS-115 LA-2	Worksheets Checklist by D. C. Stump (1950's)
	BULGARIA	BU-1	Maxa: <u>A Catalog of the Perfins of Bulgaria</u>
<b>C</b>	CANAL ZONE	LA-1	"Canal Zone Official Perfins," by Stump from <u>Perfins Bulletin</u> .
		LA-3	"Official Stamps Perforated 'P', by Dunaway and Cassibry. Series of articles and notes.
		LA-6	"Punch Perforations of the Canal Zone," by Dunaway. From the <u>American Philatelist</u> .
	CHILE	WS-7	Worksheets
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		FE-4	<u>The Sinkiang Official Perfins</u> . Collection of articles.
		FE-5	<u>The Perfins of China</u> . Cat/album pub 1976, Tilles.
		FE-6	"Chinese Officials in Turkestan," by Starr. From 1922 <u>American Philatelist</u> .
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		CS-2	German language edition of CS-1
		CS-3	Czechoslovak language edition of CS-1.
		CS-4	<u>Zpravodaj Perfiny.</u> Bulletin of the Czech. Perfins Club.
		CS-5	"The Last Czech Perfin," by Maxa.
		CS-6	<u>Catalog Perfinu.</u> Revised Czech language of CS-1
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	EGYPT	ME-1	<u>Perfins of the Middle East.</u> Cat/album by Tilles.
		BE-10	"Perfins on Egyptian Stamps," by Dr. Winter, 7 pages, published 1970-71.
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	FR-2	<u>Les Timbres Francais Perfores.</u> Clips from LeMonde of LeBlanc's catalog.
	FR-3	"Perfins of the Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris," by Prins. <u>Bulletin</u> , 1976
	FR-4	"The Perfins of France's Societe Generale," by Prins. <u>Bulletin</u> , 1976
	FR-5	<u>The Perfins of France,</u> by Prins
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		WS-45.1-45.4, Continuously revised, now in four volumes. Work of Needham and Stuntzner and will lead to publication of catalog. Basic work in field at this time.
	GR-1	Clip File
	GR-2	Clip File: POL Perfins of Germany
	GR-5	"Private German Perfins," by Theuss, 1976
ALLENSTEIN	WS-109	Worksheets
AMG	WS-45b	Worksheets, AMG Issues - 3N numbers
BERLIN (US, BR, FR)	WS-45d	Worksheets, British & American Zones
BERLIN (RUSSIA )	WS-45f	Worksheets, Soviet Zone
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FRENCH OCCUPATION	WS-69	Worksheets, German Occupied France
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<b>G</b>	GREECE	WS-27	Worksheets
		GC-1	Clip File
	GUATEMALA	WS-93	Worksheets
		LA-5	Clip File

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GREAT BRITAIN	GB-1	Catalog of Identified Perfins of Great Britain, Volume 1: A-F
	GB-2	Same, Volume 2: G-O
	GB-3	Same, Volume 3: P-end
	GB-4	Simplified Catalog of the Perfins of Great Britain, Volume 1: A-I
	GB-5	Same, Volume 2: J-end
	GB-6	Catalog of Illustrations of British Perfins, Van Lint, 1959.
	GB-7	"The Introduction of Punctured Endorsements," by Charles Jennings.
	GB-8	The Handbook of British Perfins, by Nelson
	GB-9	"The Official Stamps of Great Britain," by Bernstein
	GB-10	"The College Stamps of Oxford and Cambridge."
	GB-11	"The Perfins of Great Britain," by Bowman
	GB-12	"Private Underprints, by Willcocks



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- GB-13 "Experimental Cancellations on the First Post Card Issue of Great Britain, by Lutz
- GB-14 "Perforated Officials of Great Britain and Colonies to 1939," by Gunthorpe.
- GB-15 "The Board of Trade Perforated Official Stamps of Great Britain," by Jackson.
- GB-16 "Prevention of Stamp Thefts by Employees," by Howard.
- GB-17 Clip File
- GB-18 Catalog of Official Perfins of Great Britain, by Thornton.
- GB-19 Perfins Used by Local Government Offices. I: Municipal Arms and Aberdare to Darwen.
- GB-20 Same, II: Ealing to Middleton.
- GB-21 Same, III: Macclesfield to York
- GB-22 Miscellaneous articles from SEPS: 1
- GB-23 Miscellaneous articles from SEPS: 2
- GB-24 SEPS Bulletin News Pages 1959 to 1962
- GB-25 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 Tilles Catalog of the Perfins of Great Britain. The catalog is broken into sections as it was issued for convenience in mailing..
- GB-29-1, Introduction & letter O
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- GB-29-3, Letters A & B
- GB-29-4, Letters G, I, J
- GB-29-5, Letters L, M, N, & P
- GB-29-6, Letters R, T, Numerals, & Designs
- GB-29-7, Letters C & H
- GB-29-8, Letters S & W
- GB-30 "The Perfins of Thomas Cook & Son," by Prins
- GB-31 "Fiscal Perfins of Ireland & Great Britain," by Burrows and Tennant.
- GB-32 "Perforated Insignia: The Story of Joseph Sloper and British Perfins," by Walker.
- GB-33 British Stamps Perforated With Firms' Initials. (SPIFS) by Vallancey.
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- GB-36 "Victorian Government Punches," by Elford, Dean and Toop.
- GB-100 SEPS Bulletin 1971
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- GB-102 SEPS Bulletin 1973
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		HY-2	Perfins of Hungary by Maxa, Malyon, and Grof. Preliminary edition. See HY-4
		HY-3	"The Perfins of Hungary," by Maxa. From PB 1975
		HY-4	The Perfins of Hungary, by Maxa. Published 1978 by Malyon. Fully illustrated.
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	TRIESTE	WS-18b	Worksheets, Trieste
	CORFU	WS-108	Worksheets
<b>J</b>	JAPAN	JA-1	Indispensable Possession Pierced Stamps, by Adachi. Tokyo: 1950. In Japanese.
		JA-2	Japan Perfins Catalog, by Adachi. Tokyo: 1972. See JA-4 for later edition.
		JA-3	Partial Translation of the 1972 Edition of the Adachi Catalog, by Wright.
		JA-4	Japan Perfins Catalog, by Adachi. Illustrated updated version of JA-2.
		JA-5	Clip File
		JA-6	"Japanese Perfins, by Alexander, 4 pages
		JA-7	"Japanese Perfins, cont.," by Alexander, 9 pages.
		JA-8	"Cancellation by Perforation," by Fisher.
		JA-9	"Private Control Overprints," 3 pages
		JA-10	"The Sasebo Anchor Perfin," 1 page.
		JA-11	"Using the Adachi Japanese Perfins Catalog," by Fisher. 1 page.
	OFFICES IN CHINA	WS-88	Worksheets - Additions to Adachi.
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	NORWAY	WS-31 NO-1	Worksheets Clip File
<b>P</b>	PARAGUAY	WS-97	Worksheets
	PERSIA	ME-1	<u>Perfins of the Middle East</u> , by Tilles
	PERU	WS-117	Worksheets
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US-32	"S. Swan and Embossed 3¢ 1851 Stamps, a Postal History Dective Story," by Meyer.

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**U** UNITED STATES US-33 Perfins on the U.S. Offset Printing Issue, Bennett  
Continued US-34 Perfins of U.S. Companies Abroad, by Prins  
US-35 The Airmail Special Delivery Stamps of the United  
States, by Sloat. Includes perfins.

URUGUAY WS-118 Worksheets

**V** VENEZUELA OF-6 Los Sellos Oficiales de Venezuela, covers the  
GN perfins.

## Revenues

REVENUES MI-11 Revenue Clip File  
MI-22 Revenue Perfins Catalog. Computerized listing of  
U.S. Revenues prepared by Richerson. Incomplete.  
MI-23 Revenue Perfins Checklist. Condensed version of MI-22.

## Officials

OFFICIALS OF-1 Album for Official Perfins, by Van Lint  
OF-2 Clip File  
OF-3 Catalog of Official Perfins of Great Britain,  
by Thorton.  
OF-4 Catalog of Official Perfins (Part 1: GB and Europe  
through Hungary), by Mary Thornton.  
OF-5 Same as OF-4 (Part 2: Balance of World).  
OF-6 Guy Buvat de Virginy: Los Sellos Oficiales  
de Venezuela. Covers the GN perfins.

## Miscellaneous

MISCELLANEOUS MI-1 Clip File  
MI-2 Perfins Machinery. Articles, patent copies, etc.  
MI-3 Covers of the Month. Clips from Bulletin.  
MI-4 "What's a FREP?" Xerox of exhibit from ELPEX-73  
MI-5 The Perfins Writings of Victor Van Lint.  
MI-6 "Collecting Perfins," by Cain. 8 pages  
MI-7 "Worldwide Perfins of the Eastman Kodak Co," 1 page  
MI-8 "Int'l Harvester Perfins Used on Foreign Stamps," 1pp  
MI-9 "The Birthright of Perfins," by Jennings, 4pp  
MI-10 Designs on Perfins, by Van Lint, 5pp  
MI-12 Cancellations Identify Perfins Users. Clips from PB.  
MI-13 "World Perfins Checklist," lists 215 countries.  
MI-15 Mounting And Exhibiting Perfins. Clip File  
MI-16 Perfins: A Collecting Philosophy. Clips  
MI-17 Copying Perfins. Clips  
MI-18 Perfins Abstracts. Compiled by Birch of SEPS library.  
MI-24 Index to Perfins Abstracts in MI-18  
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MI-20 The "Specimen" Frauds, by Reilander.  
MI-21 SEPS Translations. Monographs translating foreign  
works on perfins into English.

## Club Files

CLUB FILES	CF-1	Auction Lists & Prices Realized.
	CF-2	Membership Rosters 1945 to present.
	CF-3	A History of the Perfins Club to 1970, by Mewhinney.
	CF-4	Family Album. Photos of members
	CF-5	Publicity Clips.
	CF-6	Index to the Perfins Bulletin. Only started
	CF-7	The Hallock Card Award. Past winners.
	CF-8	Master Index to the Membership to 1967, Swalwell.

## Perfins Bulletin

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( ) P259	C	( ) R33		B	( ) R92	D	( ) R145	C	( ) S3	B
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( ) P261	C	( ) R35		B	( ) R94	E	( ) R148	B	( ) S5	D
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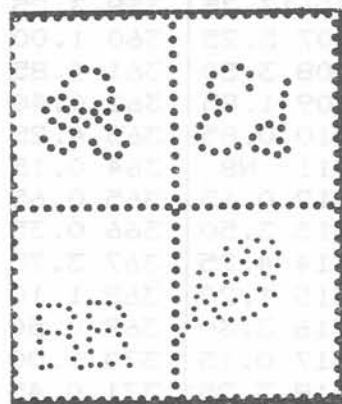
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() S11	C	() S55.5	A	() S102	D	() S148	C	() -2	C
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() S41	C	() S85	D	() S130	C	() S179.5	A	() -30	D
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() S43	B	() S87	B	() S132	E	() S181	B	() -32	D
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() S50	C	() S95	B	() S143	D	() S189	C	() -40	D
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() S51		() S96.5	A	() S144	B	() S191	F	() -42	B
() S52	B	() S97	C	() S144.5	A	() S192	C	() -43	D

PRICES REALIZED: AUCTION 33

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1	0.35	54	3.00	107	1.10	160	0.55	213	0.35	266	NB	319	3.25
2	0.40	55	0.50	108	0.60	161	1.00	214	0.35	267	0.40	320	1.70
3	0.40	56	4.50	109	0.50	162	2.25	215	NB	268	0.15	321	4.25
4	1.70	57	0.50	110	0.15	163	NB	216	3.25	269	0.40	322	0.65
5	1.85	58	5.25	111	0.40	164	NB	217	0.40	270	NB	323	0.65
6	0.40	59	2.25	112	0.55	165	5.50	218	7.50	271	4.50	324	NB
7	0.25	60	0.55	113	1.00	166	NB	219	1.60	272	3.00	325	2.25
8	0.65	61	16.35	114	3.00	167	0.55	220	1.35	273	3.25	326	3.75
9	2.50	62	0.25	115	0.55	168	1.70	221	NB	274	0.55	327	0.35
10	0.15	63	NB	116	1.00	169	1.10	222	0.20	275	4.75	328	0.40
11	0.40	64	4.85	117	1.30	170	5.00	223	0.15	276	11.00	329	0.35
12	0.55	65	2.25	118	1.30	171	0.60	224	0.60	277	2.75	330	2.25
13	0.55	66	1.35	119	1.00	172	0.35	225	0.35	278	0.20	331	0.20
14	3.10	67	1.70	120	0.90	173	0.50	226	1.85	279	1.10	332	0.30
15	1.40	68	0.65	121	0.90	174	NB	227	0.40	280	0.75	333	4.85
16	1.10	69	NB	122	0.50	175	5.25	228	4.25	281	0.15	334	NB
17	1.20	70	3.25	123	2.75	176	0.90	229	1.30	282	26.40	335	0.40
18	0.15	71	3.65	124	1.00	177	NB	230	NB	283	1.50	336	NB
19	1.50	72	1.10	125	2.75	178	0.35	231	0.25	284	0.40	337	1.85
20	0.70	73	5.50	126	12.60	179	2.25	232	7.25	285	0.35	338	0.15
21	1.00	74	2.75	127	0.15	180	1.10	233	0.50	286	0.15	339	1.20
22	4.40	75	NB	128	5.50	181	4.00	234	0.55	287	2.35	340	3.75
23	2.60	76	1.60	129	2.55	182	0.55	235	0.50	288	2.10	341	0.40
24	2.30	77	1.60	130	2.25	183	NB	236	1.20	289	1.85	342	0.75
25	0.40	78	0.90	131	WD	184	4.60	237	3.50	290	0.50	343	0.45
26	0.30	79	0.40	132	0.15	185	3.75	238	1.50	291	1.00	344	2.25
27	0.35	80	NB	133	4.00	186	0.70	239	1.50	292	0.35	345	0.90
28	0.35	81	0.20	134	0.25	187	0.15	240	NB	293	1.50	346	0.40
29	1.95	82	8.80	135	0.45	188	0.70	241	0.15	294	5.50	347	0.90
30	3.25	83	1.00	136	0.55	189	NB	242	0.35	295	4.40	348	1.00
31	7.50	84	0.15	137	0.55	190	3.25	243	0.50	296	1.30	349	1.10
32	0.55	85	0.65	138	0.40	191	1.60	244	0.50	297	5.50	350	1.85
33	5.75	86	0.35	139	5.05	192	5.00	245	4.75	298	0.30	351	1.35
34	2.70	87	0.35	140	2.25	193	5.00	246	0.55	299	NB	352	0.15
35	1.30	88	1.10	141	0.15	194	0.15	247	0.10	300	18.00	353	0.15
36	2.75	89	1.00	142	0.15	195	2.85	248	0.35	301	1.55	354	0.95
37	0.65	90	0.65	143	2.25	196	NB	249	0.95	302	2.25	355	0.40
38	4.25	91	1.40	144	0.50	197	3.25	250	0.90	303	3.75	356	0.55
39	1.10	92	1.00	145	2.25	198	0.30	251	0.20	304	0.15	357	NB
40	0.20	93	0.40	146	1.20	199	0.30	252	8.25	305	1.10	358	1.10
41	0.20	94	4.25	147	0.25	200	NB	253	3.50	306	13.75	359	3.25
42	0.35	95	3.25	148	0.30	201	1.35	254	0.20	307	5.25	360	1.00
43	0.35	96	3.50	149	0.75	202	0.40	255	0.50	308	3.50	361	4.85
44	0.15	97	1.30	150	1.85	203	1.70	256	0.35	309	1.85	362	0.40
45	0.50	98	1.85	151	1.00	204	3.05	257	3.75	310	0.85	363	4.25
46	0.50	99	5.00	152	0.30	205	0.60	258	0.35	311	NB	364	0.15
47	0.90	100	8.25	153	0.30	206	7.15	259	0.55	312	0.15	365	0.65
48	0.50	101	4.60	154	2.25	207	7.15	260	0.20	313	3.50	366	0.35
49	0.50	102	0.40	155	1.00	208	4.55	261	0.35	314	4.25	367	3.75
50	0.30	103	1.60	156	0.55	209	2.25	262	1.60	315	1.20	368	1.10
51	1.95	104	2.50	157	1.85	210	0.15	263	1.60	316	3.30	369	0.50
52	0.50	105	NB	158	1.85	211	2.75	264	1.00	317	0.15	370	5.00
53	1.70	106	0.20	159	1.60	212	7.50	265	0.65	318	3.25	371	0.45

LOT	PRICE	LOT	PRICE	LOT	PRICE	LOT	PRICE	LOT	PRICE	LOT	PRICE	LOT	PRICE
372	0.55	407	0.55	442	0.65	477	0.80	512	0.55	547	0.15	584	2.00
373	1.35	408	0.40	443	3.25	478	1.00	513	0.70	548	5.75	583	2.00
374	0.40	409	3.75	444	0.30	479	0.75	514	1.10	549	1.85	584	2.00
375	5.50	410	2.50	445	0.25	480	0.80	515	0.15	550	16.50	585	2.00
376	1.85	411	3.50	446	0.65	481	0.55	516	0.15	551	1.60	586	3.75
377	5.75	412	0.55	447	3.00	482	8.25	517	0.15	552	0.80	587	0.15
378	1.60	413	0.55	448	1.35	483	8.25	518	2.75	553	3.75	588	4.55
379	9.25	414	0.55	449	1.10	484	3.25	519	1.00	554	2.75	589	6.05
380	5.50	415	1.15	450	2.00	485	3.25	520	16.50	555	0.55	590	0.80
381	6.45	416	0.35	451	8.80	486	3.25	521	0.35	556	0.15	591	0.55
382	4.25	417	0.40	452	2.35	487	0.70	522	0.35	557	0.15		
383	5.50	418	28.60	453	0.15	488	0.70	523	0.15	558	0.15	ODDS &	
384	3.55	419	0.55	454	1.30	489	0.75	524	0.15	559	0.70	ENDS	
385	3.55	420	1.10	455	0.25	490	5.50	525	1.55	560	0.40	96A	NB
386	3.25	421	1.10	456	0.50	491	5.50	526	NB	561	2.25	338A	0.35
387	4.50	422	2.25	457	0.55	492	5.50	527	NB	562	11.00	443A	1.50
388	4.50	423	0.15	458	4.35	493	5.50	528	1.00	563	2.85	443B	0.30
389	5.50	424	NL	459	0.15	494	5.50	529	1.10	564	0.25	443C	3.85
390	3.55	425	4.40	460	0.15	495	4.00	530	0.40	565	0.25	443D	3.25
391	3.55	426	2.25	461	0.15	496	4.00	531	3.75	566	7.00	443E	2.85
392	3.55	427	1.00	462	0.55	497	7.80	532	3.75	567	1.10	443F	2.85
393	5.00	428	0.85	463	1.75	****	****	533	3.25	568	NB	443G	1.90
394	3.25	429	9.90	464	0.15	499	0.30	534	0.25	569	0.15	483A	0.75
395	1.75	430	9.90	465	0.15	500	0.45	535	0.15	570	0.15	566A	1.10
396	4.75	431	157.20	466	NL	501	2.45	536	0.75	571	1.20	****	
397	1.10	432	5.00	467	13.20	502	22.00	537	4.40	572	5.50	498	--
398	23.10	433	0.65	468	16.50	503	93.50	538	1.10	573	0.30	126.80	
399	7.75	434	0.20	469	4.35	504	0.20	539	0.55	574	0.15		
400	4.10	435	27.50	470	5.50	505	0.25	540	0.15	575	5.75	WD	-
401	5.00	436	2.25	471	133.00	506	3.00	541	0.15	576	0.15	WITHDRAWN	
402	4.25	437	6.60	472	1.00	507	0.80	542	0.50	577	0.15	NL	-
403	7.00	438	23.10	473	1.00	508	3.25	543	3.25	578	0.15	NO LOT	
404	28.05	439	9.35	474	0.75	509	1.00	544	1.60	579	0.55	NB	-
405	12.00	440	1.00	475	1.00	510	1.60	545	0.25	580	0.15	NO BID	
406	2.75	441	0.35	476	0.75	511	0.55	546	0.15	581	0.30		

## NEW PATTERN AND BLOCK OF FOUR



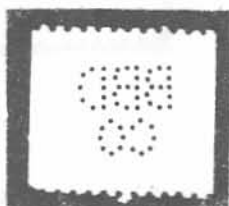
Ed Haack, who is also a member of the Oregon Stamp Society, has sent along the accompanying illustration. The block of four pictured here was used to frank the OSS' August bulletin. Four hundred fifty blocks of four of the new \$.05 Pearl Buck definitive stamp were perforated with Ed's (three) and the OSS' (one) perforators. The blocks, carrying four different perfins, are very unusual items. Note also -- the "Portland rose" pattern is new; introduced by Ed on May 22, 1983 during the Pan Pacific Show.

## NEW U.S. CATALOG NUMBERS ASSIGNED

Illustrated on the following two pages are quite a few newly numbered patterns. Most of them have been illustrated in Harry Rickard's Take a Look columns here in the Bulletin. A & C pages for the Catalog will eventually be prepared which will include these patterns -- with better (darker) illustrations and complete catalog information. However, so that we can get on with collecting, the patterns are presented here.



A221-30.5A



B52.5



B80.5



B153A



B188A



B274.5A



C252A



E84.5



G72-1A



G72-1A  
wide bar



G154.5



G157.5



H97A



H117.5



H218A



H229.5



H230.5



H301.5



I44



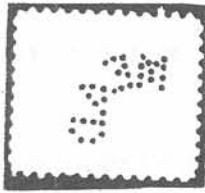
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M57A



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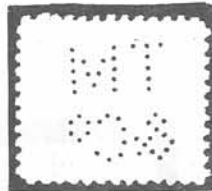
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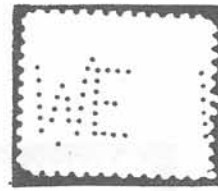
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R144



T75A



W72-38B

There are a couple of things which need to be mentioned about these patterns. First, one of the two G72-1A's will be renumbered before publication of the A&C pages; they were inadvertently assigned the same number. The difference in the elevation of the "H" in the two newly illustrated H&S patterns will be obvious when compared with H230 in the catalog. The differences between patterns L158A and I44 and patterns already cataloged are also obvious. However, the remainder of the patterns show only subtle differences from known patterns and careful comparison will be necessary to distinguish them from previously reported ones.

One explanation for these subtle differences is given by Harry Rickard. "Perforator manufacturers did not retain die templates indefinitely. Later, when firms ordered new machines, the look-alike, new dies, could, and probably did have subtle differences. Some are apparent.....but others need to be fitted on catalog pictures..."

Keep looking -- there are loads of dies and patterns out there still to be found.

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Broken pins are one of the main problems encountered when searching for new dies or (less likely but still possible) new patterns. Several letters, when broken, can appear to be the same. Thus a broken "O" can appear to be an "S" or a "C"; a broken "E" can yield an "F", an "L", or an "H"; a broken "R" yields a perfect "P", etc.



For the fun of it, can you identify these three broken US patterns -- or are they new patterns? Answers next month -- to allow plenty of time for frustration to set in.

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT

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- 2262 Andert, Crystal M., 3805 Hambletonian, Florissant, MO 63033  
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- 1507 Selby, Morris E., 3750 Storms Rd., Kettering, OH 45429

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY:

Members as of Sept. 30, 1983	784
New Members	+ 9
Reinstated	+ 3
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Members as of Oct. 31, 1983	796

It is with regret that we announce the death of Miss Florie Clark (#11L). Miss Clark died July 1, 1983 at the age of 94. Former president Charles Regnier remembers Miss Clark as one of the group of tireless workers who helped revitalize the Club after the death of Hallock Card in the '50ies. Her perfin exhibits earned her many awards and the Club many friends. She is best remembered by members of her local clubs for her work with and encouragement of young collectors.

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### ODDS AND ENDS...

With the naming of Ron Kunavich as publisher your monthly mail from Grandview, MD will be one piece less. But lest you think that Floyd is resting on his laurels...

He is still working with Bob Schwerdt to provide camera-ready pages for the World Catalog. His efforts on this project have kept the style and format consistent despite the changeover of editorship.

At the office, he is attempting to master a new IBM Personal Computer (especially its word processing capabilities).

He has added teaching two nights a week from 7 to 9:30 to his schedule.

And, finally, the newspaper which Floyd edits for Bendix Corp. recently won "some" awards. CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Yes, Virginia, there is life after editorship -- if you can survive the pace.

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President Dick Mewhinney reports that he and his wife had a nice cruise during November.

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We need some more articles for the Bulletin. Those of you who read this bulletin every month must recognize most of the names of the people writing in. They are generally the same people each month. Send in anything -- articles, news items, ideas for articles!!, half written notes for articles -- ANYTHING. I will be glad to polish (as well as I can) any information appropriate to the Bulletin. So write in!!!



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## WHEN ARE PERFINNED PRECANCELS RARE?

BY RUDY ROY

**NEW  
ORLEANS  
LA.**

According to a recent article in the Bureau Specialist, journal of the Bureau Issues Association, perfins are rare when they are found on the early Bureau Print precancels. The article goes on to note that only two perfin patterns have been seen so far, and both from New Orleans, LA. These are the UFC of the United Fruit Co. (U32), and the PD/Co of the Parke Davis Co. (either P56.1 or P56.5).



What were the Experimental Bureau Precancels? In late 1916 the Bureau of Engraving and Printing (BEP) produced precancels for three cities -- Augusta, ME, Springfield, MA, and New Orleans, LA, as a test to determine the capability of the BEP to produce and distribute precancels. These would be the only Bureaus produced until 1923, and today are considered as the first Bureau precancels produced.



These experimentals were printed on the 1916-17 definitives, and, for New Orleans, stamps in the one, two, three, and six cent denominations were provided.



While I am neither a precancel nor a perfins expert, I would ask how a perfins collector would value one of these experimentals with a perfin. According to the Noble Precancel Catalog, the one cent New Orleans experimental catalogs about \$10. With a U32 pattern, rated "D" in the perfins catalog, just what would be the value of this item?

From the information I have gleaned from the precancel collectors that I know, perfinned precancels are usually considered by them as damaged; collectable only as space fillers. Perfins collectors who also collect precancelled perfins may consider the combination more attractive. In either case, I perceive that insofar as Bureau Experimental Precancels are concerned, both the precancel and perfin add to this item's desirability.

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## REVENUE QUESTIONS

BY JOE MILLER

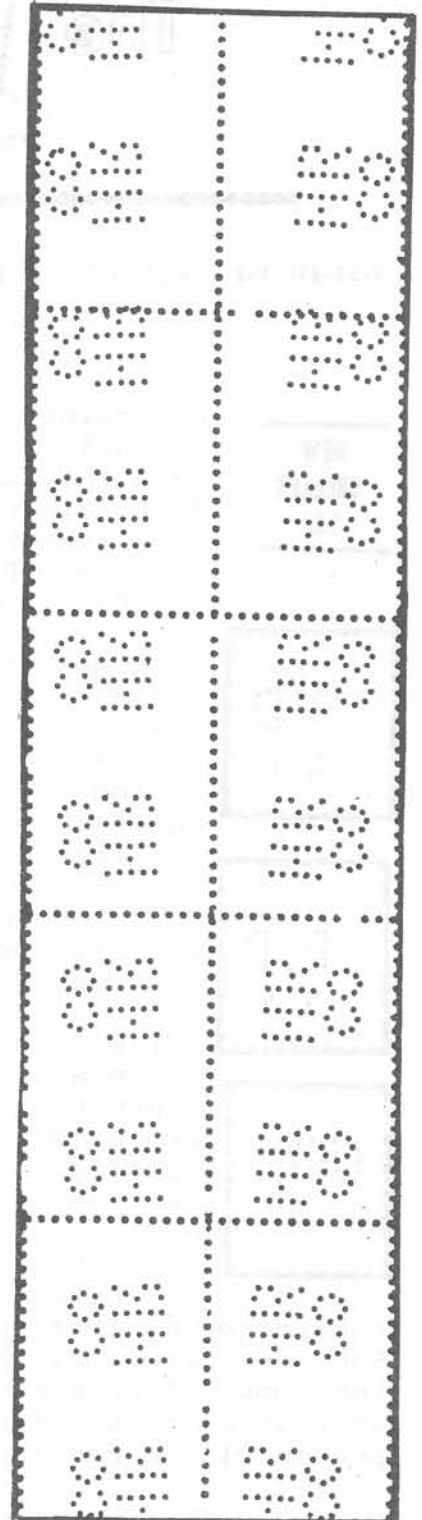
In the March 1983 Bulletin, Joe Miller had a request for help locating information about US perfin D-140.

In response to his inquiry Joe received several responses showing a New York usage of the Dean Witter & Co. perfin without period, but has not heard from anyone having information about the office which used the version with the period on revenue stamps. He is hoping that there might just be a chance that this perforator was used on some postage stamps.

As before, if you have information about the D-140, pattern let Joe (Mr. Francis J. Miller) know at PO Box 173, Langlois, OR 97450.

In the same letter he wrote: "I enclose a copy of a real gem. Almost complete image of a 10-die head that seems to be typical Cummins product; well formed, accurately spaced, and good clean cut. One pin seems to be missing in partial image of extreme right die.". He observes however that it actually is a short pin, since the mirror image pattern is complete and would have been produced in the same punching operation on a folded sheet.

The pattern seen here has not been reported on postage stamps; the example is on a \$10 US revenue stamp. The user was Harriman Ripley & Co. Inc., 63 Wall St., New York, NY. This company also had offices at 30 Federal St., Boston; 1529 Walnut St., Philadelphia; and 135 South LaSalle St., Chicago.



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The following two pages were submitted by Harry Rickard as a result of his ongoing study of perfins. The pages are self explanatory and contain some very basic, yet useful, information for the collector of perfins. The pages are reproduced just as received from Harry (except for these introductory notes and the addition of titles).

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## HOW TO DISTINGUISH CUMMINS FROM AMERICAN PERFORATOR PERFINs

BY HARRY RICKARD

It is known that two different companies made perforators in the U.S.

A study of dies, shows two different types of machines have been made.

One is more common than the other, and Cummins sold more perforators than the American Perforator Co.

Logically, one must assume the most used type was made by Cummins.

The basic differences will be shown below.



The identical missing holes in W and U, shows one die made both insignias. Therefore, it passed through the die with narrow end first. The commonest method.



This Western Union pair, also has some identical missing holes, but on parallel stamps. This indicates a feed with long side leading.

This style is less common, so evidently made by an American Perforator machine.

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# HOW RANDOM HOLES ARE MADE

BY HARRY RICKARD

Perfins collectors have been puzzled for many years, by the appearance of extra holes in perfin stamps. Some thought them to be control holes, but their placement was not in the right positions to be such.

A short time ago, I discovered a possible reason for such random holes. It wasn't until I came across this copy of C430, that I was able to verify my previous finding.

The C430 had two random holes, plus two blind perfs, which I punched out. Fitting it out on a complete copy, it matched perfectly, including the overlooked hole in bottom margin.

Strange as it may seem, random holes are produced by an incomplete die with many pins broken, then the user punches with a more complete die, to make a better looking pattern.

Also shown below, is a copy of S208 which has 4 different random holes, and which match a complete pattern.



normal C430



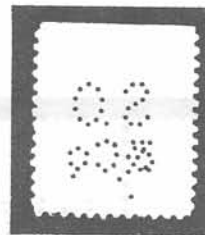
with random holes



normal S308



F219



with random holes

A later example, showing a 7 hole die punch, then complete.

() -44	E	() S225	C	() -6	C	() S319	D	() S363	D
() -45	C	() S226	C	() -7	B	() S320	E	() S364	B
() -46	C	() S227	B	() -8	B	() S321	B	() S365	C
() -48	D	() S228	C	() -8.5		() S321.5	B	() S365.5	A
() -49	D	() S229	B	() -9	A	() S322	E	() S366	B
() -50	C	() S230	B	() -10	A	() S323	B	() S367	B
() -51	D	() S231	B	() S273	E	() S324	A	() S368	E
() -52	C	() S232	E	() S273.5		() S325	A		
() -53	C	() S233	E	() S274	C	() S326	D	---	T
() -54	C	() S234	E	() S275	B	() S327	B		
() -55	B	() S235	C	() S276	E	() S328	D	() T1	C
() -57	D	() S235.5	B	() S277	E	() S329	B	() T3	C
() -57A		() S236	C	() S278	D	() S330	C	() T4	E
() -58	D	() S237	C	() S279	C	() S331	B	() T5	E
() -58.5	A	() S238	D	() S280	D	() S331.5	A	() T6	E
() -60	E	() S239	C	() S280.5		() S332	C	() T7	D
() -61	E	() S240	D	() S281	B	() S333	B	() T8	B
() -62	C	() S241	D	() S282	C	() S334	C	() T9	C
() -63	C	() S242	B	() S283	C	() S335	C	() T10	C
() -64	D	() S244	C	() S284	E	() S335.5	A	() T11	D
() -66	C	() S245	C	() S285	E	() S336	C	() T12	E
() S195.3	B	() S246	C	() S286	C	() S337	B	() T13	B
() S195.5	B	() S247	C	() S287	F	S338		() T13.5	D
() S196	C	() S248	C	() S287.5	E	() -1	D	() T14	D
() S197	B	() S249	C	() S288	D	() -2	D	() T14.5	A
() S198	C	() S249.5	A	() S289	B	() -3	E	() T15	B
() S199	C	() S250	C	() S290	C	() -4	D	() T16	C
() S200	B	() S251	B	() S291	B	() -5	D	() T17	D
() S201	C	() S251.5	B	() S292	C	() -6	D	() T19	C
() S202	C	() S252	B	() S293	D	() -7	C	() T20	C
() S203	E	() S252.5	B	() S294	E	() -8	D	() T20A	E
() S204	F	() S253	C	() S295	D	() -9	D	() T21	B
() S205	B	() S254	C	() S295A		() -10	E	() T21.5	C
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() S221	C	() -2	C	() S315	B	() S359	D	() T39	C
() S222	C	() -3	B	() S316	C	() S360	C	() T40	E
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( ) W18	A		( ) W67	B	( ) -59	B	( ) W99	A	( ) W144.5	A
( ) W19	C		( ) W68	C	( ) -62	C	( ) W100	C	( ) W145	C
( ) W20	C		( ) W69	E	( ) -63	E	( ) W101	C	( ) W146	C
( ) W20.5	E		( ) W70	C	( ) -64	B	( ) W102	E	( ) W146.5	C
( ) W21	D		( ) W71	B	( ) -64A	D	( ) W102.5	A	( ) W147	E
( ) W22	A		( ) W71.3	B	( ) -65	C	( ) W103	B	( ) W147.5	E
( ) W23	D		( ) W71.5	C	( ) -66A	C	( ) W103.5		( ) W147.7	A
( ) W24	C		W72		( ) -67	D	( ) W104	D	( ) W148	A
( ) W25	D		( ) -1	E	( ) -68	C	( ) W105	C	( ) W149	D
( ) W26	D		( ) -1A	E	( ) -69	C	( ) W106	A	( ) W150	C
( ) W27	B		( ) -2	D	( ) -70	E	( ) W106.5	A	( ) W152	D
( ) W28	B		( ) -3	E	( ) -71	D	( ) W107	B	( ) W153	E
( ) W29	B		( ) -6	E	( ) -73	D	( ) W108	B	( ) W154A	E
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( ) W154C	B	( ) -6	C	( ) W219	C	( ) NUM15	E	( ) DES35.5	A
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( ) W156	C	( ) -8	C	( ) W221	D	( ) NUM17	B	( ) DES37	A
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( ) W163	B	( ) -15	D	( ) W227	C	( ) NUM24	C	( ) DES42	C
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( ) W165	C	( ) -17	E			( ) NUM26	A	( ) DES44	C
( ) W166	E	( ) -17.5	C	--- X ---		( ) NUM27	C	( ) DES44.5	E
( ) W167	C	( ) -18	B			( ) NUM28	A	( ) DES46	D
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( ) W176	B	( ) -25	E	( ) Y4	B	( ) DES4	C		
( ) W177	C	( ) -26	E	( ) Y5	D	( ) DES5	E	( ) C248.5	B
( ) W178	C	( ) -26.5	A	( ) Y6	E	( ) DES6	E		
( ) W179	B	( ) W200	E	( ) Y7	C	( ) DES7	C	CORRECTIONS	
( ) W180	D	( ) W201	A	( ) Y8	D	( ) DES8	C		
( ) W181	B	( ) W202	C	( ) Y9	C	( ) DES9	C	A94	F
( ) W182	B	W203		( ) Y10	C	( ) DES10	C	A94A	E
( ) W183	C	( ) -1	D	( ) Y11	E	( ) DES11	E	B275	F
( ) W184	B	( ) -2	D	( ) Y12	E	( ) DES12	D	B275.5	E
( ) W185	B	( ) -3	C			( ) DES13	C	C293	B
( ) W186	C	( ) -4	B	--- Z ---		( ) DES14	E	C361	A
( ) W187	B	( ) -5	C			( ) DES15	A	F42	D
( ) W188	B	( ) -6	D	( ) Z1	E	( ) DES16	B	672-16	B
( ) W189	B	( ) -7	D	( ) Z1.5	A	( ) DES17	C	672-34	B
( ) W190	A	( ) -8	A	( ) Z2	C	( ) DES18	C	672-43	B
( ) W190.5	A	( ) -9	C	( ) Z3	B	( ) DES18.5	B	L133	C
( ) W191	A	( ) W204	B	( ) Z4	D	( ) DES19	B		
( ) W192	B	( ) W205	E	( ) Z5	C	( ) DES20	B		
( ) W193	D	( ) W205A	C			( ) DES21	C		
( ) W194	B	( ) W207	E	-- NUM --		( ) DES22	B		
( ) W195	C	( ) W208	D			( ) DES23	C		
( ) W195.5	B	( ) W209	C	( ) NUM1	B	( ) DES24	B		
( ) W196	E	( ) W210	C	( ) NUM2	C	( ) DES25	C		
( ) W197	E	( ) W210.3	A	( ) NUM3	D	( ) DES26	A		
( ) W198	D	( ) W210.5	A	( ) NUM4	C	( ) DES27	C		
W199		( ) W210.7	B	( ) NUM5	B	( ) DES27B	A		
( ) -1	E	( ) W211	C	( ) NUM6	E	( ) DES28	D		
( ) -1.5	B	( ) W212	B	( ) NUM7	D	( ) DES29	C		
( ) -2	E	( ) W214	C	( ) NUM8	C	( ) DES30	B		
( ) -3	D	( ) W214.5	C	( ) NUM9	E	( ) DES30.5	B		
( ) -3.5	C	( ) W215	D	( ) NUM10	B	( ) DES31	C		
( ) -4	D	( ) W216	D	( ) NUM11	A	( ) DES32	C		
( ) -4.5	B	( ) W217	D	( ) NUM12	F	( ) DES33	B		
( ) -5	C	( ) W218	C	( ) NUM13	E	( ) DES35	B		



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## EDITORIAL COMMENTS

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A brief note on page numbering of the Bulletin. A couple of requests have recently been received for "missing pages" from the Bulletin. In all cases, a quick check of the issues involved showed that the pages which had disappeared between the printers and the Club member were actually received.

Foreign catalog pages are printed so as to be included in the Bulletin. They are assigned sequential page numbers in the issue of the Bulletin in which they are published. However, in an attempt to make these pages as neat as possible, and to avoid printing problems such as "bleed through" which could mess up the final product, these assigned page numbers are not printed on the pages. Thus, in the December issue, for instance, pages 137-142 were assigned to the pages of Cuban perfins. Anyone reading the Bulletin, however, would see only the page numbers 134-136 and 143-152. Please do not assume that there are pages missing when you do not see a specific page number -- anything stapled into the monthly Bulletin will normally have a page number, even if that number is not printed on the page.

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Please consider the somewhat arbitrary copy deadlines which I announced in the October Bulletin -- anything which is received by me after the first of the month will almost certainly not appear in the next month's Bulletin! The Bulletin is usually cut and pasted during the first week of the month so that I can get it to the publisher (now Ron Kunavich in San Diego). This leaves him only three weeks to have it printed and place 800 mailing labels on the printed product in order to have it in the mail for the first of the month of issue.

Ads will have the highest priority for publication. They will be run in the next published edition of the Bulletin. But, after the first of the month "next" will often be two calendar months away. Note that this gets doubly messy for the July/August or November/December issues where the wait can be almost three months from submitting the ad. Sorry but that is one reality of editing I am learning -- DEADLINES.

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Another note on ads. Consulting with Jack Gooding about Club auctions we have established a two month from publication minimum for the closing of auctions. This allows foreign members -- and inefficient domestic ones -- time to receive their Bulletin and to bid in the auctions. Using the same thinking, all ads for sale of collections will have closing dates set as the first of the month two months following publication of the ad -- unless the advertiser specifies a different closing date. This rule of thumb will especially apply to foreign collections where access to the foreign market might cause a significantly higher bid for the seller.

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## INTERPRETING BROKEN PATTERNS

BY PAUL A. MISTRETTA

Last month I published three perfins with broken pins and suggested that, for fun, you try to identify the patterns. While done for fun there is a very serious side to this process. Most of the time broken patterns are considered defective and discarded. However, frequently the more valuable patterns (from as low as C rated ones) are kept by collectors as space fillers until better copies are found. Often these defective patterns are sold or traded, again as space fillers. In addition those who look for new patterns have found that often a unique item is only available as a defective copy. As a result, the identification of patterns with defects is an important sidelight to our specialty.

Each of the three patterns reproduced last month lacked only one key letter to be identifiable; or, put another way, they each had more than two thirds of the needed information. Yet each posed a real problem in identification.



The second and third patterns lacked letters within the pattern. In both cases the first letter was essentially readable, which somewhat simplifies the game -- we have a starting point. In addition, the symmetry of the patterns suggested that each lacked only the broken pins, no space was available to have completely lost another letter. In both cases the second letter is the key to the puzzle. The second pattern is IB/Co. (I38 a C rated pattern) while the third pattern pictured is not the obvious LH//Co but rather is LB/Co (L46, also C rated).



When evaluating the first stamp the problem was compounded. The possibilities for the key broken letter were C, G, O, Q, and S, and to confuse us further the pattern itself gives no clue as to whether the broken letter was first or last in the pattern since both H and M are totally reversable!

When the entire stamp is reproduced there is no real problem identifying the pattern. The stamp was double struck and the two impressions give the complete pattern, so the problem letter was readily resolved; the pattern is CHM. This pattern from my collection is unlisted in the current catalog. However, it corresponds completely with the upper line of C154 (which is an A rated perfin).

This perfin is on a copy of Scott 811, the 6c orange in the presidential series of 1938. The stamp has a New York cancel consistent with pattern C154. Yet it is obviously not C154. (Philatelic favor? Unreported use of a modified pattern? Suggestions?) This one may be one of those "finds" we all hope for!



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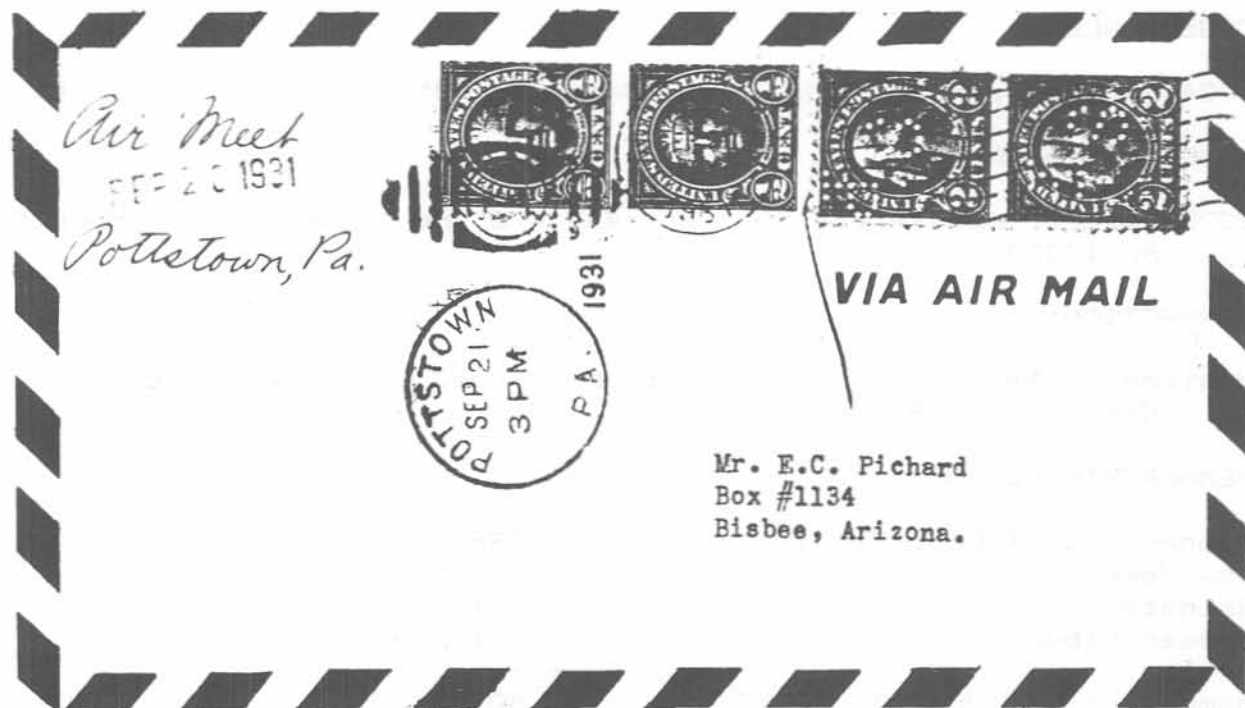
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The cover reproduced above is an obvious philatelic usage of the Southern Pacific Railroad perfin. Cancelled at Pottstown, PA on the 21st of September 1931, chances are good that it was self addressed to a railroad employee who used the company's stamps. The filler in the envelope is a standard form used by train dispatchers.

Thanks and a tip of our philatelic hat to David Savadge, Life Member #43, for this cover and information.

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## TAGGED CANADIAN STAMPS WITH PERFINS BY KEN ROSE

The collecting of perfins on Canadian tagged stamps is an interesting and challenging sidelight to simply collecting perfins of the country. It is the only specialized area of Canadian collecting which does not require large capital outlays -- in fact, money is not enough in this specialty. The only way to increase a collection of these items is through extensive correspondence, trading and general wheeling and dealing.

The work reported here entailed many hours of work by me, Jack Bennigan, Jon Johnson, Dick Wilsey, and many other correspondents. The list is probably incomplete, due to oversight, but is presented for those interested in this specialty.

We know that several of the items on the list were punched as philatelic favors, and there are a couple which are suspect. However, all are genuine, that is, done by the correct machines. Two listings are presented here: the first is for general tagged perfins, the second is of Winnipeg tagged items. The Winnipeg tagged items are becoming increasingly difficult to find; it is only on rare occasions that Winnipeg tagged items turn up these days.

Please note that the catalog numbers are from the Canadian Specialized Catalog. For those most familiar with the Scott Catalog this catalog is published by Canada Specialized Ltd., 330 Bay St Suite 7003, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5H 2S8. The 1981 edition was used for the numbering. This was the last time that they came close to conforming to Scott's numbering. They have since renumbered every stamp and the numbering is totally different from previous listings. The numbers in the list are very close to those in Scott with the exception of the Centennial Issue where Scott simply did not do justice to the wide variety of papers, flourescences, gums, taggings, etc.

Please write me (K.G. Rose, Box 7086 - Stn. E, Calgary, Alberta, Canada T3C 3L8) with new information. It will be included in the 1984 updating of this list.

This list is of general tagged perfinned stamps.

C.S.# (1981)	C	C	C	Other	C.S.# (1981)	C	C	C	Other	C.S.# (1981)	C	C	C	Other
	1	2	2			1	2	2			1	2	2	
	9	0	1			9	0	1			9	0	1	
	a	a				a	a				a	a		
454viii				M9 M11	455vi	x	x	x	M9 L1 W4	457vi	x	x		
										460fiii	x	x		M9

C.S.# (1981)	C 1 9	C 2 0	C 2 1	Other	C.S.# (1981)	C 1 9	C 2 0	C 2 1	Other	C.S.# (1981)	C 1 9	C 2 0	C 2 1	Other
544vi	x	x		M9	634	x				718	x		x	
544iii	x	x	x	M9 W4	635	x				719	x	x	x	
529		x			639	x				720	x			
552			x		640	x				723	x		x	
565			x		641	x				723a			x	
566	x				643	x		x		726	x		x	
568	x				648	x		x		733			x	
569	x				650	x	x			734			x	
575	x				651	x			L1	738				C26b
576			x		652			x		739				C26b
577	x				654			x		740			x	
578	x				655	x		x		741		x		
586	x	x	x	C10a	659		x			742		x	x	L1
587	x	x	x	L1 W4	660			x		748			x	
588	x	x	x		662		x			749	x		x	
589	x	x	x	L1	663			x		750	x		x	
590	x		x		664			x		751	x		x	
591	x	x	x		668		x	x		753			x	
592			x		669	x		x		754	x		x	
593	x	x	x	C10a	670	x		x		757		x		
				L1	671			x		760	x		x	
593a	x	x	x	C10a	676		x			767			x	
				L1	677		x			768	x			
594	x	x	x	L1	681				W14	769		x	x	
594a				L1	684				L1	770			x	
595		x	x		689			x		771			x	
596		x	x	L1	690	x				772			x	
596a				L1	691	x		x	L1	773			x	
598	x	x			694			x		774		x	x	
599			x		695		x	x		781	x			
607			x		696		x	x		783			x	
608			x		699			x		784	x	x	x	
609			x		700			x		785	x	x	x	
612	x	x			702			x		786	x		x	
616	x				704			x		787			x	
618	x				705	x	x	x		789	x		x	
619	x				707	x	x	x		790	x		x	
620	x	x	x		708	x	x	x		791		x	x	
622	x	x			709	x	x	x		806			x	
625		x			710	x	x	x		813	x	x		
627		x	x		711	x	x	x		815	x			
629	x				713	x	x	x		816	x	x		
630	x				714	x	x	x		817		x	x	
631	x		x		715	x	x	x		818			x	
632	x				716	x	x	x		819	x	x		

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C.S.# (1981)	C 1 9	C 2 0 a	C 2 1 a	Other	C.S.# (1981)	C 1 9	C 2 0 a	C 2 1 a	Other	C.S.# (1981)	C 1 9	C 2 0 a	C 2 1 a	Other
820	x				838		x	x		863	x			
821		x	x		840	x				864	x	x	x	
822		x	x		842	x				867		x		
823		x	x		843		x	x		871	x			
824		x	x		844		x	x		873	x			
825		x	x		847		x			874	x	x		
826		x	x		849		x	x		892			x	
827		x	x		850		x	x		893			x	
828		x	x		853	x	x	x		900			x	
829		x	x		854	x	x			907		x	x	
830		x	x		855	x	x	x		919			x	
831		x	x		856	x	x			Man				
832		x	x		857			x		painting		x		
834	x	x			859	x	x	x		Artifact				
835		x	x		860		x	x		\$.02			x	
836		x	x		861		x	x		\$.32 QE			x	
837			x		862		x	x		\$.32 ML			x	

This list is of Winnipeg tagged perfined stamps.

C.S.# (1981)	C 2 1 a	C 2 6 a	M 9	Other	C.S.# (1981)	C 2 1 a	C 2 6 a	M 9	Other	C.S.# (1981)	C 2 1 a	C 2 6 a	M 9	Other
337p	x	x			454v	x		x		503p	x			
338p	x	x			454ii	x		x		504p	x			
339p		x			455v	x		x		519p	x			
340p	x	x		G7	456ii	x	x	x		521p	x			
341p	x	x		G7	457ii	x		x	G16	523p	x			
401p	x	x		W4 L4	457v	x				524p	x			
402p	x	x			458ii	x	x			525p	x			
403p	x	x			458iii	x				526p	x			
403pi	x	x			458v			x		527p	x			
404p	x	x		G16	459ii			x		528p	x			
404pi	x			L4	459bii	x		x	G16	543ii			x	
404pii	x	x		L4	460ii	x		x		544ii	x		x	
405p	x	x							P10a	544iv	x		x	
434p	x				460fii			x		555p	x			
443p	x				462ii				P10a	556p	x			
444p	x				462iv	x			P10a	594p	x			
453p				G16	464ii	x			P10a	594i	x			
454ii				G16	464v				P10a	606i	x			
454iii	x		x		502p	x								

References:

Rose, Ken. 1983. Updated list of general tagged perfins. Canadian Stamp News, Nov. 22, 1983. Pg. A21.

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Rose, Ken. 1984. Another tedious job is now behind me. Canadian Stamp News, Jan. 3, 1984. Pg. A18.

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Editors note: The information presented in this article was brought to my attention by William T. Brown (#1912), our Canadian representative. Mr. Brown saw it in the form of the two cited articles in Ken's column "Tagging Along" in the Canadian Stamp News. Ken, who is not a member of our Club, graciously gave his permission to use the information in the Bulletin. My thanks to both men.

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## SURVEY RESULTS FOR A & B PERFINS

BY HARRY RICKARD

The results of the 1981-1982 survey of A and B rated perfins was certainly a revelation. Many A rated perfins were found to be much more common than formerly shown. They have been rerated. At the same time several of the B rated items were scarcer than previously reported, while others were more common. Again rerating was done. In addition, the committee created a new F rating and relegated some extremely common perfins to that rating.

Those without a US Catalog should consider using the ratings in the US Checklist (published between October 1983 and February 1984) as a guide. Those with a Catalog probably will want to make the rating changes in the catalog.

In order to buy, sell, or trade A and B rated items it is necessary to know the relative scarcity of the items in question. Five or fewer copies are known of items carrying the A rating. A rating of B indicates a slightly larger spread -- six to fifty copies are known for these patterns.

When considering bidding for items in auction it helps to know the relative scarcity of the items. Compare this scarcity with prices realized for similar items in the last three or four auctions. Always remember that specialty items (airs, special delivery, parcel post stamps, etc.) normally realize higher prices than other stamps with the same pattern.

If you do not have copies of the most recent Prices Realized sections from the Bulletin, they are available from librarian B. L. Timmerman in library files PB-33 and PB-34. You pay postage both ways, or can have copies made at \$.15 per page. (The average Prices Realized runs between 2 and 3 pages.)

Anyone desiring copies of the 1981-1982 survey results for A and B patterns should send a SASE (#10 size) and \$.30 for copies to Harry Rickard, 2163 Cumbre Place, El Cajon, CA 92020.



I have recently had the pleasure of reviewing the new "Handbook on Danish Perfins. 2. Section - Catalog", by Peter Englebrecht (Club Member #1741).

The catalog includes 1010 numbered patterns of which three quarters are identified to company and city of use. Of the remainder all except about 35 are identified to city of use. Also listed is the date of first and latest reported use of each pattern (where known) and a relative rating of the value of the pattern. The rating is alphabetic A (very scarce) through E (very common) and should be very familiar to the US user.

This catalog is completely renumbered from its predecessors, so the numbering is continuous within each letter, and there are no ".5" or "A" numbers.

Best of all is the quality of the illustrations. Of the 1000+ patterns illustrated only one (S9) is incomplete. All are intense black and meticulously placed within the allotted rectangle.

Layout is standard, written information on the left page and illustrations on the right. The written information appears to be once reduced type but is completely readable in that size. This catalog is 120 pages long in an approximately 5" x 8" format. The pages are unbound.

Copies of this catalog should be available from the editor (address on last page) by the time you receive this Bulletin. The price is \$8.00 postpaid and well worth it.

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### **BOB SCHWERDT NEEDS HELP**

Bob Schwerdt, Foreign Catalog Coordinator, writes requesting some help. In order to complete the work which he is doing in the area of South Africa and Provinces. He needs to borrow clear punched copies of several stamps.

Cape of Good Hope -- A+BA, BB/?E, B.K./&Co, CH+W, CSS, C.W.C (large), DC&Co, DI&Co, FR/CT, H&C, MR/&CO/LTD, P/LD, RN/&Co, S.F./&Co (large), W&Co and Revenues -- C&H, D/&Co

Natal -- D.O./A.L., ES/&Co, G&H, JBH, JTC/LD, R&Co and Revenues -- RD (10 holes in R)

Orange River Colony -- G&H

South Africa -- BL/CO (4 holes in O), B/&Co, B&Co/LD, CTC(o), D.O./A.L., DR, D.R/Co, L, LR, WC

Transvaal -- A&BA, C, CH, C.W.C (large), D.O./A.L., SE/G

Bob would like to do photocopy work with these patterns to get good illustrations for the foreign catalog pages of this area. He would also like to hear from anyone who has more than 150 patterns from this area.

Bob can be reached at 9 Memory Lane, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603.

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# PERFINS ON U.S. COIL STAMPS

BY HARRY RICKARD

Coil stamps were often used by companies with single die perforators. However, not all single die users took advantage of the ease of use of coil stamps. Collecting coil perfins is, therefore, one of the interesting sidelights open to our enjoyment.

Quite a few members responded to an earlier request for information about US perfinned coils. Some were already collecting them!

This is a summary listing of patterns reported to date.

If collecting them is not for you, I will exchange a perforated copy for your coil, plus something needed for your collection. (Let me know what you have -- I will repay postage to respondents!)

The list below presents 270 known users -- 25 without Scott number reported (?). If you have any which are not listed please contact me (Harry Rickard, 2163b Cumbre Pl., El Cajon, CA 92020).

	A		C	334	842	93	842	1035
18	592 686	45	842	336	492	134	721	
	598	47	?	338	492	136B	492	
38	492	51	601					
144	599	70	842		C		F	
215.5	?	83	599	375	721	71	1057	
225	455	84	492 599	400	492	114	597 721	
230.5	?	119	492 599	CN/RV	?		723	
231.7	?		842			125.5	?	
239	597 602	141	597 599		D	155	?	
	603 605		600 606	18	?	161	599	
	642		721	61.5	599			
263	493	149	844	94	411		G	
266	492	152	?	124	599	28	687	
281	599	-6	842	129	411	36	455 599	
		-14	600	130	599 842		721 841	
		-22	492	136	493		842	
29	453	-A8	842	139	1304	39	721 840	
30	?	-B3	492	154	455 599		841 842	
52.5	491	-B18	599		721 841	62	492	
77	599	-B24	1054			72-2	723	
86	492	-C6	?			72-7	599	
92	393	-G6	599	22.5	455	72-38	1229	
93	599 723	-H2	842	31	455 583	72-49	723	
	841 842	203	492		599	82	492 493	
119	?	259	721	60	842	116	1057	
179	455	274	839 841	86	?	120	842	
198	721	289	721	87	597 600	123	492	
210	721	321	?		632 687	150	492	
287.5	1057	327	723		721	172	599 842	

	H	84	842	22	492		T
21.5	?	93	413	56.4	602	4	600
66	599	111	600 721	62	841	40	842
76	605	115	600	64	1304	47	686
121	?	123	393	77	721 842	81	721
131	600	130	492 599	78	599	101	492 600
209	492 495		721 841	80.5	?		720
	496		842	96	492	118	?
		167	492	99.5	656		
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78	723	41	599 721	108	?	41	486 604
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80	597 723	54	455	174	599 603	55	721
91-7	599 634	57	466		844	73	841
	721 841	101	592	200	385	82	721
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117	1057	132	489		606 721		
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	839 841	184	599		R	17	413 599
	842 843	228	846	2	493		841 842
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119.5	1057 721	289	490	87.5	?		
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96.5-5	492		1058	26	599	72-53	1305
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144	581 597	113B2	606	78	602	101	600 656
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	686 721	151	599 721	121	490 492	107	493
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	841 842		598 599		599 600	130	413
	846		600 721		606 686	147.5	597
171	842	204	723		721 840	199-3	602
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		213	846	123	453 455	199-19	599
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		38	842	127	492		
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Afsenderens Navn og Bopæl.  
(Nom et domicile de l'expéditeur.)

Toldvæsenets Stempel.  
(Timbre de la douane.)



Til: 918 København 8. (Afbestilling)

Afsendelsesland. **DANMARK.**  
(Pays d'origine.)

Angiven Værdi  
(Valeur déclarée)

**ADRESSEKORT**  
(Bulletin d'expédition)

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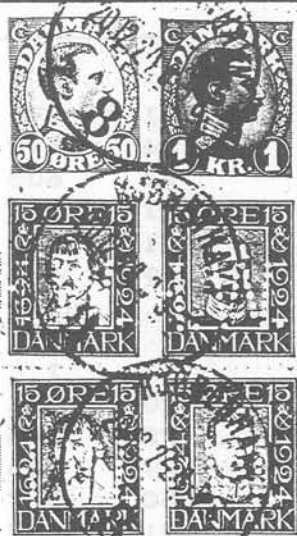
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(Droits de douane)

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(Acheminement):



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Afsendelsesposthusets Stempel.

Timbre du bureau  
d'origine



Afsenderens Navn og Bopæl.  
(Nom et domicile de l'expéditeur.)

**HP**  
60003

**Holger Petersen,**  
**København.**

Toldvæsenets Stempel.  
(Timbre de la douane.)



Til Reg. Nr. 552 København 8. (Anregistreret)

Afsendelse  
(Pays d'origine.)

Angiven Værdi  
(Valeur déclarée)

**ADRESSEKORT.**  
(Bulletin d'expédition)

Hermed 1 Pakke. Antal Tolddeklarationer 1  
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Til } Herr L. Ertman,  
(A) }

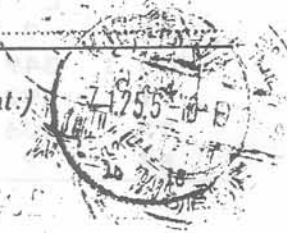
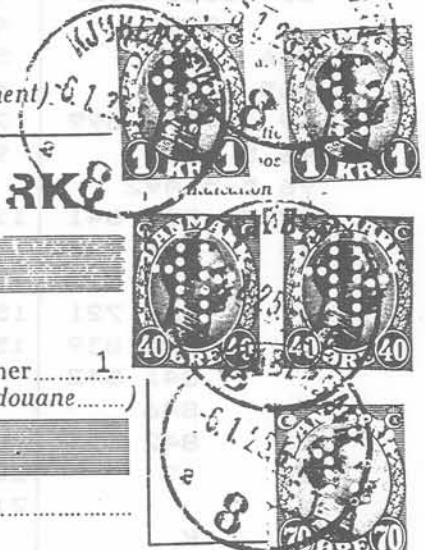
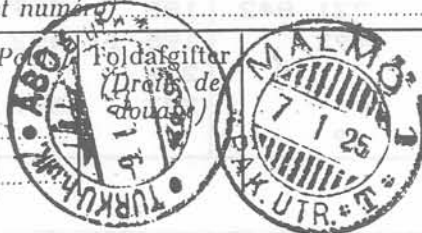
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Vægt (Poids)  
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## PERFINS ON DANISH PARCEL POST CARDS

BY JACOB KISNER

With these two attractive items, Perfins Club member Jacob Kisner (#2168) demonstrates the fact that "perfins on cover" often can be both aesthetically and philatelically desirable.

Here we have two old parcel post cards from Denmark.

The first bears a block of four of Scott #168-169 se-tenant, as well as one each of #122 & #128, with perfin HW of Henningsen & Wolf-Jurgensen of Kobenhaven (Copenhagen). This card, which gives advice of the arrival of a parcel in Finland, is postmarked December 20, 1924, also has a Christmas seal and the Malmo, Sweden transit mark. What makes this item especially scarce is the superb strike of the scarce Turku ship cancellation. This cancel has an added premium of 300% according to the Facit Catalog.

The second item is an old postal card from Denmark with a pair of Scott #118, a Scott #125, and two #128's with the perfin HP of Holegr Petersen of Kobenhaven. Again, there is a fine strike of the Turku ship cancellation.

Jacob advises that both of these items (as well as other old parcel cards with perfins from Denmark, Sweden, and Finland) are looking for an appreciative home. However, he cautions that in most cases these seldom seen cards are not exactly inexpensive. Interested persons can contact him at 254 Park Avenue South, Penthouse F, New York, NY 10010. A SASE should be enclosed as a courtesy.

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### ADS & ENDS . . .

President Dick Mewhinney still has copies of three different catalogs available. They are Dave Stump's Danish Catalog, a Swiss Catalog and a Swedish catalog. They are \$5.00 each postpaid. For \$2.00 each (postpaid) he also has Perfins Club lapel pins. Let the world know that you enjoy holey stamps!

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Now that you all have a copy of the new library list, the Club has purchased a copier. Copies of anything in the library can be purchased for \$.15 each page plus postage from the Club Librarian B. L. Timmerman.

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Through Ron Kunavich, our publisher, I have recieved a note from Irwin Burns (#1714). The note offers space for meetings in conjunction with the Southern California Precancel Club. That Club meets once a month on Saturday from 12 to 3:30 P.M. Coffee and refreshments are served. The Club meets in four different locations during the year. If there is any interest in meeting with fellow perfin collectors in south California this is a perfect opportunity.

Due to the timing of the Bulletin I would recommend that you contact Mr. Burns directly. He resides at 5241 Kester Avenue, Van Nuys, CA 21411.

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## GETTING TO KNOW YOU

Peter Englebrecht (#1741) has recently published a catalog of Danish perfins (reviewed in this issue). Peter is also Editor of The Perfinist, a bilingual (Danish and English) periodical covering the field of Danish perfins, which has been published since March 1979.

Peter worked in Bremerhaven with the US Army from 1946 to 1949. Most recently, he was a teacher of foreign languages at a commercial school. He took an early retirement (disability retirement due to heart disease) and now spends his time with his family and his stamps.

Peter's wife is an American girl whose father settled in Oregon around 1910. Until recently Peter had a brother-in-law living in Hemphill, TX.

Of perfins Peter writes: "...since I started collecting stamps 50 years ago, I have never had as much fun as the perfins give me. I believe that perfins are one of the most interesting fields within philately as such and I have had so much pleasure from them.." Peter was fortunate to purchase the Ostergaard collection about four years after the death of that pioneer collector of Danish perfins.

Editor's Note: Beginning with The Perfinist No. 9 (the next issue to be published) Peter intends to begin compiling Part 1 of his Handbook of Danish Perfins. (Part 2 of the Handbook is the Catalog reviewed in this Bulletin.) The majority of the 24 pages of each future issue of the Perfinist are to be reserved for Handbook information. By including this information in The Perfinist, Peter hopes to have a reference of 400 or so pages, treating every possible aspect of Danish perfins, which will be published over a period of 4 to 5 years. The Perfinist is available from Peter for \$5.00 for #9 & 10.

He is also attempting to start a Danish perfins exchange. Apparently Danish laws regarding lists of names are even more strict than those we encounter with the US Freedom of Information Act -- but the bugs seem to have been worked out -- and a form will be included with The Perfinist #9 for those who wish to register with Peter for this exchange.

He can be reached at Bogelundvej 23, DK 5465 Brenderup Fyn, Denmark.

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## THANKS FROM A NEW MEMBER





Ed Fisher (#2220) writes in "As a collector of US stamps since the 1930's, I have joined several national stamp organizations. NONE have been so receptive as the PERFINIS CLUB. Several have written to welcome me as a new member. One even sent me some Perfins, she is now a friend. My local stamp club is very friendly, but is taking a note of the way to treat a new member."

He goes on to say that his specialty is Mexican perfins and he would like to hear from other members with this interest. You can write Ed at Box 3801, San Angelo, TX 76902.

## Additions and Corrections to the World Perfins Catalog - 1

These perfins have been discovered since the publication of the first portions of the World Perfins Catalog.

Collectors may either clip this information and add it to the proper place in the catalog or keep this page at the back of the catalog. Additional additions and corrections pages will be published as necessary.

	FALKLAND ISLANDS C6 Tentative Classification Scott 23		LEEWARD ISLANDS C4 Better Photograph
	MEXICO A14.9 Scott 218	NOTES ABOUT MEXICO J1, J4, and J5 are found with C4 SPECIMEN punch Extend usage of A9 to Scott 211 Extend usage of B13 to Scott 255	
	MEXICO <del>35.6</del> (Todos) <del>3</del> Santos		

### COLUMBIAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

Add Ecuador and Panama to list of countries on whose stamps this perforation has appeared.

*Bolivia*

No commercial perfins have been reported on the stamps of Bolivia. A cancelling device, 'CANCELADO,' has seen use on postal, airpost, postal tax, and fiscal stamps. These stamps generally have violet cancels or are found uncanceled without gum.



PLEASE READ THESE RULES BEFORE BIDDING!! Lots will be sold to the highest bidder at the following advances: 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 bid 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. All single perfins are complete and in good condition unless otherwise specified. Straight edges are not considered damage. In larger lots, mixes, etc., incomplete perfins, splits, and duplicates are to be expected.

BID BY LOT NUMBER, NOT BY CATALOG NUMBER!!!

Regular stamps between Scott 331 and 546 are listed "as is" and are not returnable if the Scott number is not correctly listed. Lots are returnable if the Perfins Catalog number is incorrect; HOWEVER, LOTS MUST BE RETURNED WITHIN THREE DAYS OF RECEIPT!!! Foreign catalog numbers used are those of recognized catalogs available to members through the Perfins Club Library.

LOTS ARE TO BE PAID FOR WITHIN THREE DAYS OF RECEIPT.

ABBREVIATIONS. am = air mail; blk = block; cp = clipped corner; cr = creased stamp; cv = cover; cd = card; dam = slight damage such as a small tear, corner off, etc.; dp or tp = double or triple punch of the pattern; for = foreign; hd = heavy duplication; hi = extra heavy ink showing on the back of the stamp; (1h), (2h), etc. = perfin pattern incomplete by 1 hole, 2 holes, etc.; iss = issues; lp = light punch, holes barely visible; mix = mixture; nr = no rating; ovpt = overprint; pats = patterns; pb = plate block; pr = pair of stamps; pp = parcel post stamp; sd = special delivery stamp; se = straight edge; sp = split perfin; str = strip of stamps; th = thinned stamp; tr = tear in stamp; \* = mint stamp; v = variation, 1 or more holes in the pattern do not match the catalog illustration; wgt = weight.

REMEMBER THIS AUCTION CLOSES ON MAY 1, 1984!!

LOT	CAT #	R/SC#	LOT	CAT #	R/SC#	LOT	CAT #	R/SC#
1	A17	C 406	13	A250	C 332	25	B40	D Q2
2	A46X	B 568	14	A264	C 406	26	B40 hi	D Q5
3	A75	C 406	15	A267A	E Q9	27	B79	C 332
4	A88 th	C Q6	16	A273	C 907	28	B118	C 332
5	A90	C 425	17	A281	C 567	29	B136 tr	C 375
6	A116A	C 375	18	A289	C 325	30	B152	C 425
7	A141	C 425	19	A289 dam	C 425	31	B165 se	E 372
8	A179	C 406	20	A221-38	C 554	32	B186	C 557
9	A184.5	C 638	21	B12.5	D Q3	33	B202	C 331
10	A191	C 554	22	B13 se	C 375	34	B215	E Q3
11	A209	B 610	23	B15.5	C 720	35	B241	E Q4
12	A210 cp	C 406	24	B29 2h	D Q6	36	B241	E Q5

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38 B247.5	C 406	92 G14 5h	C 557	147 I62	C 901
39 B116-12	C 566	93 G72-1 hi	E Q11	148 I74	C 637
40 B116-26	C 554	94 G72-1.5 se	B 514	149 I74	C 637
41 B116-36	A 806	95 G72-1.5	B Q10	150 I84 3h	C 554
42 C6	C Q1	96 G72-13	C 829	151 I84 2h	C 554
43 C6	C Q2	97 G72-32	E Q6	152 I93	B 332
44 C9 se	C 563	98 G72-37	C 562	153 J19	C 554
45 C32	E Q2	99 G83	C 406	154 J21	D Q4
46 C35	C 332	100 G83	C 375	155 J25	C Q5
47 C39	C 720	101 G114	C 720	156 J25.5 hi	B 406
48 C43	E Q1	102 G138.5	B 1286	157 J34	C 907
49 C43	E Q5	103 G138.5	B 1286	158 J78 th	C 406
50 C64	C 405	104 G140 se	B 332	159 J78	C 375
51 C108	B 332	105 G147	C 561	160 J82 se	C 332
52 C123 2h	C 504	106 G151	C Q1	161 J88	D Q2
53 C137	C 332	107 G151	C Q2	162 J96-4	C 406
54 C168 se	C 375	108 G155B	C 813	163 J136	B 406
55 C207	C 332	109 G155B	C 811	164 J158	C 332
56 C247	B 433	110 G155E	C 406	165 J166.5 2se	C 331
57 C265.5 2h	C 623	111 G155F 2h	C 510	166 K2	B 332
58 C267 se	C Q2	112 G155F	C 504	167 K7 4se	B 332
59 C268	B 332	113 G160	C Q6	168 K41	C Q2
60 C274 2se	B 806	114 G160 1h	C Q5	169 K41	C Q9
61 C300 se	C 375	115 G179	C 406	170 K45	B 720
62 C305	C 610	116 G190 hi	C Q4	171 K48A	B 406
63 C319	C 406	117 G194	C 406	172 L10	B 406
64 C338 8h	C 563	118 G197	C 406	173 L21	E Q5
65 D154 hidam	E Q2	119 G120	C Q6	174 L22	C 698
66 E12	B Q2	120 H6	C 807	175 L59	B 406
67 E59 1h	D Q6	121 H9	C 300	176 L60-2	E Q2
68 E70.5	E	122 H21	C 406	177 L60-4	C 405
15 cv 13 iss.		123 H42	C 332	178 L93	C Q4
69 E79	D Q1	124 H47	C 566	179 L159.5	B 406
70 E101.5	B 562	125 H59	C 406	180 L181	C 633
71 E132.5 th	C 501	126 H77	B 332	181 M5	A 331
72 E136A	C 406	127 H91	D Q3	182 M23 pc 1h	C 565
73 E136B se	C 406	128 H105	B 398	183 M26 se	B 332
74 F30	B 406	129 H117	B 475	184 M36 se	C 503
75 F30	B 562	130 H144	B 332	185 M41 se	C 1031
76 F40	B 564	131 H145	B 332	186 M55 3h	C 331
77 F42.5	C 506	132 H153 2h	C 416	187 M66	B 425
78 F92 dam	C 503	133 H168	B 504	188 M140	C 406
79 F97	C 406	134 H173	C 901	189 M172	B 406
80 F145	D Q1	135 H194	C 406	190 M198	C Q1
81 F145	D Q2	136 H206	C 554	191 M204	B 332
82 F148 cp	C 567	137 H219	C 406	192 M244	C Q8
83 F167	E Q1	138 I3	C 562	193 M247	B 639
84 F167	E Q1	139 I29	C 720	194 M280	C 332
85 F199	C 332	140 I33	B 406	195 M282 se	C 562
86 F207 se	C 375	141 I38	C 406	196 M301	C 375
87 F213	B 405	142 I41	C 503	197 M301	C 375
88 F223 se	C 406	143 I53	D Q2	198 M302.5	B 406
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204 N32	C 406	259 R132 4h	B 332	312 Scherm.65	343
205 N34	C 433	260 S15	C 720	313 Mix 144	E
206 N39	C E15	261 S15	C 720		rated
207 N54	E Q8	262 S16	C 720	314 Mix 850	
208 N69	C 714	263 S40 se			
209 N69	C 806	3h open	B 406	ANGOLA	
210 N76	C 332	264 S70 hi	D D5	315 B.A 1h	1355
211 N79	C 406	265 S86	B 638		
212 N80 1h	C 562	266 S121 & S121A		ARGENTINA	
213 N86	B 707	same stp	E&F C45	316 B13 1p	695A?B
214 N96	C 405	267 S124	B 499	317 F7	335
215 N101 hi	D Q2	268 S140	C Q7	318 M16 1p	602
216 N104-4	B 787	269 S180	C Q7	319 M6	437
217 N106 1h	C 815	270 S190	B 332		
218 N113Aa2 1hc	720	271 S203	E Q4	AUSTRALIA	
219 N113Aa11	B 406	272 S236	C Q3	320 G/NSW	2 iss
220 N113AB2	C 811	273 S236	C Q6	321 JD/&Co	163
221 N113AB9 1hc	811	274 S258	B Q6	322 NZL	194
222 N113AB10	C 811	275 S309	C Q4	323 T	194
223 N113ABb3	C 820	276 S333	B 332	324 VG	3 iss
224 N113ABb7	C 811	277 S365	C 425	325 W/A 3h	258
225 N113Bb1a	C 811	278 T26 2h	C 375		
226 N113Bb22	C 1035	279 T42	D Q1	AUSTRIA	
227 N113Bb4a	C 815	280 T42	D Q2	326 A (32 holes	
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229 N113BbDd3	C 825	282 T42	D Q6	Ofc in Crete	16
230 N113C4	C 807	283 T42 th	D Q9	327 A.G./1831	55
231 N113D5a	C 807	284 T76	C 406	328 BRÜLL	97
232 N139	C 501	285 T87	C 375	329 B&W dam 5h	124
233 N139	C 463	286 T89.8	B 614	330 C (script) 3h	
234 N164	C Q4	287 T103	C 375	Ofc in Crete	15
235 N187	C 424	288 T103	C 375	331 Crossed hammers	
236 N191	C Q5	289 U4	C C16	/R Ofc in Crete	16
237 O36	C 425	290 U28	B 332	332 Crown(EIF)	533
238 P17 1h	C 806	291 U38 se	A 406	333 ETERNIT	
239 P24	C 406	292 U43 blk *	E 554	Ofc in Crete	16
240 P26	C 638	293 U82-7	C 820	334 FRITZ/WIEN 2 is	
241 P51	D Q2	294 U82-17	B 634	335 FRITZ/WIEN	171
242 P57	C Q2	295 U88	E Q10	336 Gf.e.I.	331
243 P94	C 829	296 W7F	E Q6	337 HAHN	99
244 P101	D Q6	297 W8A	E 615	338 J.G.&A.F sp	313
245 P102	C 741	298 W72	E Q6	339 JR Monogr.	
246 P117	C 905	299 W72-3	D Q8	Ofc in Crete	16
247 P119.5	C Q1	300 W82	C 372	340 KHUMER/WIEN	
248 P121 se	B 554	301 W133 se hi	C Q5	1p dam	97
249 P121.5	C 698	302 W133 se	C Q4	341 LUTZ	117
250 P126	C 693	303 W160 hi	C Q3	342 (M) Oval	68
251 P138	E Q2	304 W167	C Q2	343 PARISI	55
252 P138	E Q3	305 W203-3	C 499	344 Perles	374
253 P182	C 831	306 W203-3 se	C 425	345 SH Monogr	
254 P188	C Q4	307 W199-18 se	C 375	(S=27h H=16h)	74
255 P254	E Q3	308 W199-19	C 636	346 Trident 3h	337

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347 V.L.G.	313	CZECHOSLOVAKIA		428 Cross small	
348 W	3 iss	388 T3	73	double line	186
349 WATT	293	389 C17	156	429 Triangle (=18h)	
350 Z (large 26h)					168
Ofc in Crete	16	DENMARK		430 (Ø) Triang	117
BAVARIA		390 B22	309	431 (Ø) Triang	
351 G11 4h	78	391 B26	350	(small)	117
352 H21 v	78	392 B27	439	FINLAND	
353 DES12	96	393 B30	225	432 FORD (mirror	
BELGIUM		394 C22 5h	286	pair)	172
354 B58 (X missing)		395 C31	125	GERMANY	
	85	396 D35 6h	309	433 A619	98
355 B61	164	397 E26	309	435 B424	67
356 C16?17	-tab 65	398 H10	116	436 C497	66
357 C64	+tab 70	399 H51	73	437 C502 4h	356
358 D3	114	400 M32	309	438 F95	68
359 E10	187	401 O15	318	439 G569	295
360 E30	151	402 DES4	43	440 J99 hi	69
361 F9	Q165	403 DES4	308	441 K145	353
362 F25 3h	294	404 DES5	159	442 K207	68
363 H3	56	405 DES6	309	443 L204	67
364 L1	79	406 DES13	217	444 L228	151
365 L39	167	EL SALVADOR		445 N125	69
366 O13	87	407 S.M.	477	446 R4 2h	368
367 P27	57	FRANCE		447 R295 hi	68
368 R8 6h	87	408 BP	127	448 S41 sp	66
369 W3	Q20	409 Bs	125	449 S126	360
370 NUM2	286	410 B.V.R.	265	450 S126	68
371 DES6	209	411 CC (C=8h,		451 V5 hi	152
372 DES7	-tab 85	5.5 mm)	265	452 DES2 1h	67
373 DES9	+tab 69	412 CL (C=8h,		453 DES8	368
374 DES11	58	5.5 mm)	117	454 DES9	68
375 DES12	+tab 68	413 CL (C=10h,		455 DES21	69
376 (Q) Triangle		7 mm)	630	456 DES90 3h	366
	163	414 CL (C=11h,		457 Mix of 20	
377 Mix 40		7 mm)	100	GREAT BRITAIN	
BULGARIA		415 CMC Monogr.		458 A80A	151
378 P.L.P.	201	cp	180	459 A165.1 hi	127
CANADA		416 C.N. (lg h)	653	460 A422.1	111
379 C12h	199	417 CN dam (C=13h		461 B369 2h	151
380 C21 1p	341	N=19h)	196	462 A405	239
381 C22 3h	340	418 C.N.	154	463 C28.1 1h	237
382 C26	3 iss	419 C(NR)	160	464 C30.2 5h	232
383 G1	89	420 DMC	252	465 C560.2	151
384 S11	107	421 GD (G=11h,		466 C688	65
385 S11	196	D=12h)	196	467 D425.1 1h	127
386 DES1	107	422 HH (small)	263	468 D546	292
CHINA		423 LML Monogr	169	469 E444 pr	248
387 P3	204	424 POP	270	470 G1.50	237
		425 S.G. (small)	162	471 G139	159
		426 V.B. (V=13h,		472 G279	151
		B=19h)	196	473 G326.2 hi	100
		427 (Ø) Triangle	159		

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474 H406	161	520 D(R)	36	560 K8	323
475 G421.1 2h	111	521 E (large)	61	561 L11	345
476 J648.1	159	522 G.H/Co	88	562 N16	56
477 K71 (D over K)	161	523 L Db1 Line	62	563 N19	41
478 K71 (R missing)	134	524 L/F.D.	286	564 N35	65
479 O(Co)	161	525 McD/&Co/Ld	61	565 S52D	308
480 O62	89	526 N.B.I.	156	566 DES5	59
481 P16	237	527 TC/&S	111	567 DES11	148a
482 P28	159	528 20h block		568 DES13 sp 3h	166
483 S3.2 2h	161	3h below block	62		
484 S9	236	IRELAND		NEWFOUNDLAND	
485 S49	232	529 DOCK (inc)	68	569 AYRE (Diag)	132
486 S125A	159	530 ESSO	70	NEW SOUTH WALES	
487 S438.1	237	531 RG 252 & 257		570 OPL	?
488 S563	235	532 3 Castles	68	NEW ZEALAND	
489 S644.11	198	ITALY		571 C&G	61
490 S788.1 1p	130	533 B18	105	NIGERIA	
491 NUM17.1 v	159	534 C31	177	572 NRC	84
492 NUM17.2 v	89	535 GF (Monogr)	218	PORTUGAL	
493 DES14	235	536 L7	82	573 B.N. 1h	214
494 DES14	232	537 SBS (Monogr)	218	574 T (=34h)	771
495 DES17.1 vhi	125	538 UI (Monogr)	93	ROMANIA	
496 DES17.2	297	JAPAN - OFC IN CHIN		575 A8 2h	124
497 DES17.2	296	539 G35 v sp 5h	6	576 A8 10h	132
498 DES30	235	JAPAN		577 B28	207
499 DES54	282	540 H9	104	578 B29?30 v	121
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501 Mix 60 Pats		542 Q28	124	pr	328
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502 E0T	207	544 W14	196	581 U1	A14
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504 A6	411	547 X1 3h	144	583 JDCo	2
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506 E25	122	JUGOSLAVIA		583A SDCo/A 1p	115
507 G24	62	549 H.P.S.	43	SPAIN	
508 I17	122	NATAL		584 B.S.	338
509 L8 3h	55	550 RV/&Co 1p	51	585 CTNE	335
510 P19	49	NETHERLANDS		586 R.G. 4h	336
511 P21	54	551 A34	308	587 T.1	266
512 P23	113	552 B16	65	588 T6 3h	248
513 R2	54	553 C8	282	STRAITS SETTLEMENT	
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517 ..	2 iss	557 H19	65		
INDIA		558 K3	69		
518 (B) Heart	62	559 K5	285		
519 D(CO)	61				

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591 WS/&Co Monog168		596 DES16	174		
		597 DES19 1p	137	VICTORIA	
SWITZERLAND		598 DES20 2h	159	602 RA/&Co	162
592 P12	148	598A DES 23	169	603 WD/&S/M	169
593 V8	73	599 DES26	180		
594 DES9	148	600 DES44	137		
595 DES13 1h	168	601 DES50	140		

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604	The Perfins Bulletin -- Volume I No. 1 through Volume XXXL No 1 (complete run 1943 through January 1982)
605	Jennings, Charles. 1968. The History of British Security Stamps. Private Publish. by The Security Endorsement and Perfins Society. 379p. (the famous "Jennings book")
606	British North America Philatelic Society. 1961. Canadian stamps with perforated initials. 2nd Ed. Priv. Publ.
607	----- . 1967. Canadian stamps with perforated initials. 3rd Ed.
608	----- . 1967. Canadian stamps with perforated initials. 3rd Ed.
609	Vallancy, Hugh. 1933. British stamps perforated with firm's initials (SPIFS). 1st Ed. (this is a rare philatelic item!)
610	----- . 1948. British stamps perforated with firm's initials (SPIFS). 2nd Ed. (Scarce but not rare)
611	----- . 1948. British stamps perforated with firm's initials (SPIFS). 2nd Ed.
612	Thornton, Mary. 1967. Catalog of official perfins. Priv. Publ. by the Great Britain Philatelic Society. (British officials -- not her world catalog!)
613	Bauder, Burton E. 1974. Poko issues of the Netherlands. Netherlands Philatelic Society.
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615	----- . 1968. New Zealand stamps with perforated initials. Postal History Society of New Zealand, Inc. (without Startup's work)
616	Adachi, Sunao. 1977. Japanese perfin catalog. (In Japanese). 92p.

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# THE PURPOSE OF THE U.S. CHECKLIST

BY PAUL MISTRETTA

I would like to rerun a disclaimer from the October Bulletin (P. 117). Several new members and quite a few old ones obviously were unaware of this short note.

"Beginning with this issue I am compiling a checklist of US perfins. This list is keyed to the current US catalog (Balough, J. J. & D. Balough. 1979. Catalog of United States Perfins. Priv. Publ. by the Perfins Club. 547 p.) and includes the information published as A&C pages set 1 (1982) and the rerating information printed in the July/August 1982 Bulletin."

The 22 pages published in the Bulletin were designed to be a checklist with currently printed information concerning values. No recataloging was done by me during the preparation of these pages, only editing and updating of the list from published sources. Several people have written with the same problem. The A&C pages had approximately 20 changes to ratings made in the written but not illustrated section. Many seem to have missed that information and only made changes where a pattern was illustrated.

For those new to collecting, checklists are simply record keeping devices. In the space provided at the front of the record some symbol is used to designate that the particular pattern is owned by the person using the checklist. The space can be coded in any number of ways to give lots of information at a glance. I use a simple three way code on mine: ● means I have a satisfactory copy; (•) means that I have a poor copy which I need to replace; and, ○ means that I have the perfin on a revenue stamp (and need to replace it in my postally used collection). Other equally simple systems can be devised, but in all cases the main purpose of the list is inventory; an inventory which does not require that you mark up your catalog.

## THE PERFINS CLUB FINANCIAL STATEMENT - 1983

INCOME		EXPENSE	
Dues	\$ 3,619.20	Bulletin	\$ 5,256.08
Publications	13.00	Officers	1,539.33
Sales Books	2,535.17	Publications	1,329.02
Auctions	760.64	Foreign Catalog	62.29
Cover Sales	96.57	Miscellaneous Expense	260.34
Interest	2,968.31		
US Catalog Sales	1,768.72		
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Certificates of Deposit, Life Memberships	4,265.11
Bank Money Market Account, General Funds	4,205.52
Equipment	1,034.80
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Total Assets as of Dec 31, 1983	\$ 34,610.72
CAPITAL	
Surplus December 31, 1982	\$ 31,296.17
Income in Excess of Expense 1983	3,314.55
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Total	\$ 34,610.72



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**FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY COVER**

The pictured cover probably rates the title Cover of the Years. This cover was prepared and the special cancel applied at Otselec, NY on December 16, 1983 to commemorate the fortieth anniversary of the founding of The Perfins Club. Covers are available from I.G.Pfalser, RR1, Camey, KS 67333. They are \$.75 ea or 3 for \$2. A SASE or international reply coupon is required with all orders.

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## POLISH COMMEMORATIVE PERFINS IN BRITAIN

BY PAUL MISTRETTA

A study of recent British perfins will rapidly bring the collector into contact with the S. F. P. (Stowarzyszenie Filatelistow Polskich) or, translated, the Polish Philatelists Association in the United Kingdom. This Association has been extremely active over the last three years in producing philatelic mementos which include new perfins produced for and commemorative of specific occasions.

Four of the five perfins produced by this group since 1980 are of the commemorative type. The fifth is the Association's own F/SP perfin. Unlike the more common perfins, some strong documentation exists as to both production and usage of these special items.

Before proceeding in this review of the S. F. P.'s perfin activity I would like to acknowledge the assistance of W.Z.J. Nowicki, Secretary of the S.F.P., for the information and help he has provided in putting together this article. Several of his articles will be cited along with other material supplied by Mr. Nowicki in response to a note which I wrote to him after receiving photocopies of several of his articles from Rudy Roy (#1124).

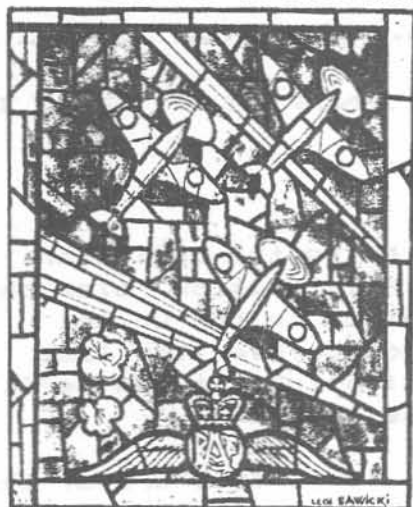


The first perfin used by the Association was the F/SP (Stowarzyszenie Filatelistow Polskich) perfin. The use of the perfin was "to distinguish and safeguard the official issues of souvenir postcards from the exhibition organized by "The Polish Philatelists Association" in the United Kingdom".

The F/SP perfin was used for the first time on July 4, 1980 to frank special event postcards prepared for Philapol 80. The exhibition had been organized under the title of the "40th Anniversary of the Polish Air Force in the Battle of Britain". Two different cachets were used as was a special cancellation. These are reproduced on the next page.

The F/SP perfin was also used at Philapol 81 (illustrated) which commemorated "Scouting in Philately" (May 15, 1981); on a set of four souvenir postcards commemorating "Polish Community Day in Nottingham" (June 13, 1981); and to commemorate the "40th Anniversary of Resumption of Polish Postal Service" on both December 15, 1981 (actual anniversary) and on February 6, 1982 (exhibition date at the Polish Institute and General Sikorski Museum, London). In addition, the Association has used the perfin on correspondence, and many members have purchased unused copies for their own correspondence or collections.

40th Anniversary  
BATTLE of BRITAIN



POLISH PHILATELISTS ASSOCIATION IN UNITED KINGDOM

PHILAPOL 80

1940 - 1980  
40th Anniversary - POLISH AIR FORCE  
IN THE BATTLE OF BRITAIN



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The second perfin issued by the Association was the JP/II (John Paul II) Type I illustrated at the right. The purpose of this perfin was to commemorate the first visit of a Pope to Great Britain. The first use of this pattern was made at Gatwick Airport on May 28, 1982. Cacheted postcards were prepared for cancellation in commemoration of the arrival of the Pontiff.



On May 30, 1982 the perfin was again used on a special postcard (illustrated) which commemorated the Papal Visit to the Polish Community. Cancelled at the Crystal Palace, this postcard also shows the first instance of an official British G.P.O. handstamp being authorized in the Polish language.

Three additional authorized uses were made of this perfin. They were: May 31, 1982, first day of the Papal visit to Scotland, postcards were franked with perfined Scotland regional definitives and were cancelled at Edinburg; June 2, 1982, first Papal visit to Wales, postcards were franked with perfined regional definitive for Wales and posted at Cardiff; and, on postcards posted at Westminster Cathedral Hall on July 23 & 24, 1982, during the stamp exhibition organized by the S.F.P. "Papal Visits in Philately since 1978" (illustrated). In addition, uncanceled copies were made available to the members of the Association for their use.

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The first 4 post cards listed above were among 16 issued during the Papal visit to England. complete list is presented below.



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- 1) May 28 -- Gatwick Airport -- Arrival of the Pope
- 2) May 28 -- Westminster Cathedral -- First Papal Mass in U.K.
- 3) May 28 -- St. Georges Cathedral, Southpark -- Papal service for the sick
- 4) May 28 -- London W6 -- Stamp Exhibition "Pope John Paul II Pastoral Visit ..."
- 5) May 29 -- Canterbury, Kent -- Papal mass in Canterbury Cathedral concelebrated with Most Rev. Robert Runcie, Archbishop of Canterbury
- 6) May 29 -- Wembly, Middlesex -- Papal mass at Wembly Stadium
- 7) May 30 -- Crystal Palace -- Papal visit to the Polish Community (Polish cancel)
- 8) May 30 -- Crystal Palace -- Papal meeting with the Polish community (English cancel)
- 9) May 30 -- Coventry -- Visit to Coventry
- 10) May 30 -- Liverpool -- Papal visit to Liverpool



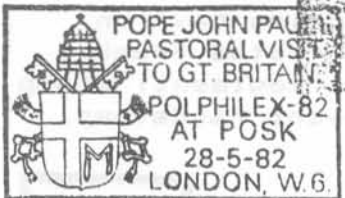
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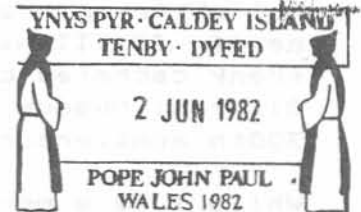
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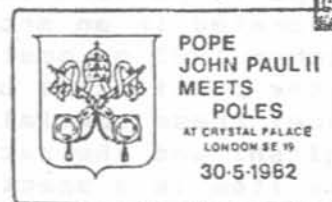
- 11) May 31 -- Heaton Park, Manchester -- Papal mass
- 12) May 31 -- York -- Papal visit
- 13) May 31 -- Edinburgh, Scotland -- Papal visit
- 14) June 1 -- Glasgow, Scotland -- Papal visit
- 15) June 2 -- Cardiff, Wales -- Papal visit to Wales
- 16) June 2 (to Aug 31) -- Abbey, Caldey Island, Wales -- Papal visit



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These commemorative postcards were franked with the 15 1/2d Queen Elizabeth II (Q.E.II) definitive stamp. Numbers 1, 7, 13, and 15 were franked with perfined stamps as described above. Copies of the cancels used are reproduced (numbered according to the above list).

Counts of the perfined stamps were reported as follows. Seven thousand 15 1/2d Q.E.II definitive stamps were perfined for the papal visit. Two thousand were used for the Crystal Palace stop; 2,500 for the other events during May 28 - June 2; 2,000 were used on July 23 for S.F.P. exhibition souvenirs; and the remaining 500 were used on correspondence by the S.F.P. during the Papal visit and the show.

In addition to the 7,000 15 1/2d stamps, 50 sets of 40 stamps each (1/2d - L5.00 in the Q.E.II definitive series) were perfined. Four complete sets were used at Gatwick Airport (#1 above), 3 complete sets at Crystal Palace, and one set at the stamp exhibition (July 23, 1982). Thirty complete sets of Scotland regionals (13 stamps each) were prepared. Four sets were used May 31 in Edinburgh (#13 in list). And, finally, 30 complete sets (15 stamps) were prepared for the Wales regional visit. Four of these sets were handstamped in Cardiff on June 2 (#15 in the list).

As mentioned above, the final "official" usage of this perfin was for the S.F.P. show held on July 23, 1982.



The third perfin to be issued by the S.F.P. was one which read PR/CF (Polish Regimental Colors Foundation). This perfin was used by the Polish Institute and General Sikorski Museum in London to commemorate "Annual Reunion Day" on August 13, 1983. Special postcards were cacheted franked with a perfined 16d Royal Scots (the Royal Regiment) stamp and tied to the post card with a special event handstamp.

The fourth perfin created by the Polish Philatelists commemorated the 300th anniversary of the battle of Vienna. Polish troops were led by King Joannes III Sobieski. The perfin JS/III was punched on the 16d Royal Scots stamp to frank cacheted commemorative postcards used by the General Sikorski Museum during a special exhibition. The special 300th anniversary cancel is dated Sept. 12, 1983.



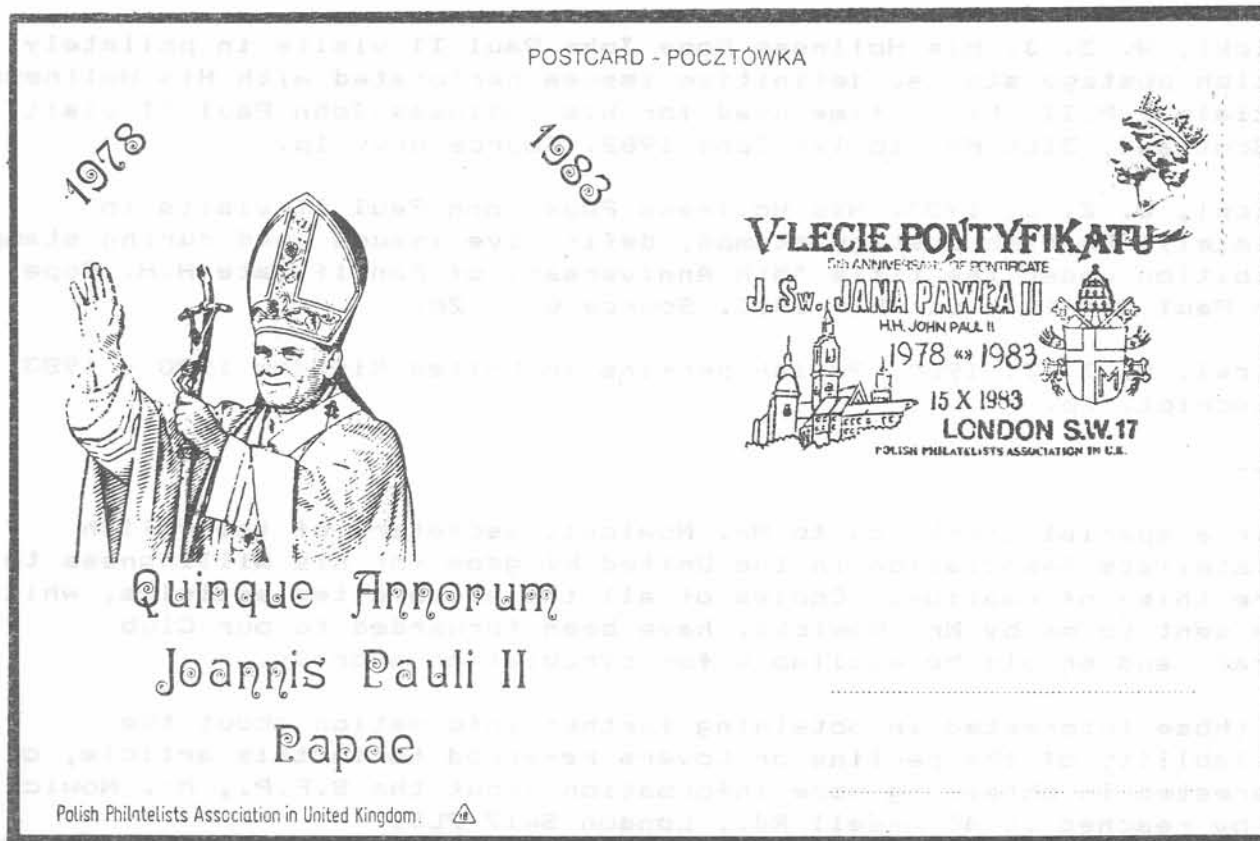
While I have mentioned only the 16d Scots Regiment stamp for the above two issues, other denominations (especially in the Q.E.II definitive series) were perfined.

Most recently the S.F.P. issued a perfin, again using the pattern JP II. This Type II pattern is found on a single line and is perforated in an arc. This perfin was used on the 15th of October 1983 on postcards commemorating the 5th anniversary of the pontificate of John Paul II. The handstamp used to cancel these special postcards is bilingual (Polish and English) and the cachet is in Latin (see illustration). This item is a special event cover from a specially organized stamp exhibition held on the 15th and 16th of October. As for all other issues, the major portion of the perfins





produced were used for the special event covers, however, some unused copies were later applied to club correspondence or sold to Association members for their use.



This closes the story of Polish perfins in the United Kingdom to the present time. However, the recent activity of the Polish Philatelists Association in the United Kingdom suggests that there will be more interesting perfins produced in the near future. Collectors of Great Britain take note.

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Again a special thank you to Mr. Nowicki, Secretary of the Polish Philatelists Association in the United Kingdom for his willingness to share this information. Copies of all the above cited articles, which were sent to me by Mr. Nowicki, have been forwarded to our Club library and should be available for circulation shortly.

For those interested in obtaining further information about the availability of the perfins or covers referred to in this article, or interested in obtaining more information about the S.F.P., Mr. Nowicki can be reached at 40 Ansell Rd., London SW17 7LS.

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## ADS . . .

I have a small number of old parcel post cards from Finland (1920 - 1930 period) with the ASEA perfin. They are for sale at \$3.50 each with the coupon clipped or \$5.00 each for full cards. Also, there are two cards with the N perfin for \$6.00 each (coupon clipped). First come first served -- \$.50 postage with each order. Thanks. Jacob Kisner, 254 Park Avenue South, Penthouse F, New York, NY 10010.

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NEEDED!!! Perfins for the Sales Department. Dick Mewhinney writes that he currently has a good supply of E-rated and British perfins -- but NEEDS ANYTHING ELSE THAT YOU CAN PROVIDE. See the note elsewhere in this Bulletin concerning the Sales Department.

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Auction Chairman Jack Gooding writes that there is still some space in the next auction (auction 35). He has about 500 lots at the present but could use material for about 100 more lots. Remember C-rated or better material please, unless the issue (stamp on which the perfin was punched) has special value. Contact Jack at his Home (923 N. Anita Ave., Gonzalez, LA 70737).

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## Brazil

Of those perfins reported to date, half appear on postal issues and the other half appear on fiscal issues, with three designs common to both. Certain 1890 and later fiscal stamps appear with large numerals (perhaps dates) punched through stamp and document. The earliest commercial perfin is A11, found on stamps of the 1876-1883 period. According to the Perfins Bulletin, two firms had official permission to perforate stamps, but no examples have been reported: Cia Armour do Brazil (1921) of Sao Paulo, and Leite Nunes & Cia. of Porte Alegre.

	1 A Banco Nacional Ultra-marino Bahia, Belem, Manaus, Recife, Rio de Janeiro, Sao Paulo, Santos 1910		6 A International Harvester Company Rio de Janeiro
	2 A 1894 See B1		7 A International Harvester Company Sao Paulo
DA/B	3 A Deutsch Asiatische Bank	PB &Co	8 A Descalvado
 Tracing	4 A Dannemann & Cia. Sao Felix, Babia Illustration tentative See B6		9 A Schill & Cia. Sao Paulo
	5 A	U S M C	10 A Companhia United Shoe Machinery do Brazil Sao Paulo 1942-6

# **CONSTITUTION**

## **AND BYLAWS**

OF

THE PERFINS CLUB

JANUARY 1984

This Constitution and Bylaws was approved by the membership January 1, 1974. Minor revisions now included were approved July 15, 1975, January 1, 1980 and December 1, 1981.

THE PERFIN'S CLUB  
CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I: NAME AND OBJECTIVES

- I-1. NAME: The name of this organization shall be THE PERFIN'S CLUB.
- I-2. OBJECTIVES: The objectives of the Club shall be the study and dissemination of information about all aspects of the use of perforated insigne and security endorsements as applied to postal paper, to facilitate contact between collectors, and to encourage and aid collectors in their efforts to study and form collections of these items.
- I-3. GOVERNANCE: The Club shall be governed by the Constitution and the Bylaws, and by such other actions and rules as the officers and executive committee shall from time to time make consistent therewith.

ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP

- II-1. CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP: Membership in the Club shall be comprised of such classes as may be provided in the Bylaws.
- II-2. ELIGIBILITY, PROVISIONS, AND LIMITATIONS: Membership, as provided in the Bylaws, shall be open to all philatelists and philatelic organizations agreeing to subscribe to the objectives of the Club and abide by its Constitution and Bylaws.

ARTICLE III: OFFICERS

- III-1. OFFICERS: The elective officers of the Club shall be a president, a vice president, a secretary, and a treasurer.
- III-2. QUALIFICATIONS: Any member in good standing who is 18 years of age or older shall be eligible to hold any office in the Club.
- III-3. TERM OF OFFICE: Terms of office shall be for three years as described in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE IV: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- IV-1. COMPOSITION: The executive committee shall consist of the elected officers, the Bulletin editor, the editor of U.S. catalogs, the editor of foreign catalogs, the publisher, and the immediate past president.
- IV-2. DUTIES: The executive committee shall have control over the

policies of the Club. All appointments are to be approved by this committee. Decisions of the officers and committee chairperson in matters of policy are to be approved by the committee.

#### ARTICLE V: WORKING COMMITTEES AND APPOINTMENTS

- V-1. APPOINTMENTS: The President shall appoint to the working committees with the approval of the executive committee.
- V-2. OTHER APPOINTMENTS: The president shall appoint to temporary and other committees as may be required for development of Club activities.

#### ARTICLE VI: ELECTIONS

- VI-1. ELECTIONS: Elections shall be held each year for such offices as may become vacant at that time.
- VI-2. PROCEDURES: Procedures for nominating and electing shall be followed as indicated in the Bylaws.

#### ARTICLE VII: CHARGES AND APPEALS

- VII-1. APPEALS: Procedures shall be established for charging officers and members with unsatisfactory activities and for appealing their actions.
- VII-2. SATISFACTION: Procedures shall be established for satisfying appeals against officers and members.

#### ARTICLE VIII: AMENDMENTS AND ADDITIONS

- VIII-1. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS: Amendments to the Constitution shall be proposed and acted upon as indicated in the Bylaws.
- VIII-2. BYLAWS AMENDMENTS: Amendments to the Bylaws shall be proposed and acted upon as indicated in the Bylaws.

#### ARTICLE IX: EXHIBITS

- IX-1. EXHIBITS: Procedures for holding an annual exhibit shall be followed as indicated in the Bylaws.
- IX-2. AWARDS: Awards will be given as indicated in the Bylaws.

#### ARTICLE X: HALLOCK CARD AWARD

- X-1. AWARD: Each year a member who has contributed the most in furthering the aims of the Perfins Club will be awarded the Hallock Card Award.
- X-2. SELECTION: The winner will be selected as indicated in the Bylaws.
- X-3. TROPHY: A trophy of the nature indicated in the Bylaws will be given to the winner.

# THE PERFINS CLUB

## BYLAWS

### 2 MEMBERSHIP

#### 2-1. CLASSES

- A. There shall be three classes of membership: Active, Life, and Family.
- B. Active membership shall be open to any person or organization agreeing to be bound by the Constitution and Bylaws, and who is accepted as a qualified member.
- C. Life membership shall be open to any member who applies for such membership and meets the financial requirements. Members who have been members for 25 years and have reached their sixty-fifth birthday shall, upon application, be made Life Members, and the financial requirements of life membership shall be waived, all benefits of such membership to be given without cost.
- D. Family memberships shall be open to the spouse of a member or to other family members living in the same domicile.

#### 2-2. ELIGIBILITY, PROVISIONS, AND LIMITATIONS

- A. Application for membership in the Club shall be on the official application blank, or in lieu of said form at the time of application, the secretary shall request such form to be completed before acceptance is established.
- B. The secretary shall act upon applications for membership within a 30-day period. If any application is to be rejected after investigation, the concurrence of the executive committee shall be required. If said investigation and decision shall take more than the 30 days, the applicant shall be notified that such additional time is necessary.

#### 2-3. DUES

- A. Annual dues for active members shall be determined by the executive committee. The membership shall take effect with the payment of the dues and shall continue for 12 calendar months for each year of payment. If the application is not accepted, the accompanying dues shall be returned to the applicant.
- B. Life membership shall be open to any member upon the payment of the equivalent of 15 times the current membership fee. A life member shall thereafter be exempt from all dues and assessments. Approved January 1, 1980.
- C. Family memberships shall be open to others in a member's family who live in the same household who shall apply for membership and pay an additional yearly dues of \$1.00. Family members shall be entitled to all rights of members and will be subject to all responsibilities of membership. Family members will not be entitled to receive the Perfins Bulletin or the publications of the Club as part of their membership. In order to maintain a family membership, there

must be at least one active or life member in the household.

2-4. DISSOLVEMENT OF MEMBERSHIP

- A. Resignations shall be submitted to the secretary and published in the Bulletin and shall become effective immediately.
- B. Notice of death of a member shall be published in the Bulletin.
- C. Any member who is in arrears in the payment of dues for a period of two months may be dropped from membership without notification and the information will be published in the Bulletin.
- D. Any member found guilty by the Executive Committee of conduct unbecoming a member may be expelled from the Club. Charges of such conduct shall be sent to the secretary in writing and may be preferred by any member in good standing. Such action shall be developed as indicated in Section 7 of the Bylaws.

2-5. REINSTATEMENT

- A. A former member may make application for reinstatement.
- B. The member will be reinstated, providing his application for reinstatement is accepted, as of the date of his new application, or at his request may be considered as a continuing member with no lost time, and an effort will be made to provide missing copies of the Bulletin. Financial arrangements will be made accordingly.

3 OFFICERS

3-1. TERMS OF OFFICE

- A. Terms of office are set up so that the Club will not lose all officers in any one year. Terms shall take effect as follows and shall extend until the third anniversary date thereafter:
  - President -- beginning January 1, 1973;
  - Vice President -- beginning January 1, 1975;
  - Secretary -- beginning January 1, 1975; and
  - Treasurer -- beginning January 1, 1974.
- B. Vacancies occurring by reasons of death, resignation, incapacity; or disqualification shall be filled as follows.
  1. The Vice President shall assume the Presidency until the end of the current calendar year, at which time the unexpired portion of the term shall be filled by an election in the regular manner. The Vice President (unless elected to the Presidency) shall then return to the office of Vice President to complete the term of which elected.
  2. The President shall fill by appointment any vacancies of the offices of Vice President, Secretary, or Treasurer. Such appointments shall run to the next regular election, when the position shall be filled for the unexpired term.
  3. At the election for unexpired terms, the vacancy shall be filled by elected candidates. The basic terms of office shall remain unchanged, thus affording elections each year, and always having officers with experience in some of the elective offices.



### 3-2. DUTIES AND POWERS OF OFFICERS

- A. President. The President is charged with the overall operation of the Club and is to provide the leadership and direction for the membership. He shall appoint all standing or special committees, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee, and shall be an ex-officio member of such committees. He shall require quarterly reports from all officers, committees, and appointees. He shall act as chairperson of the Executive Committee and shall coordinate the activities of the Club.
- B. Vice President. The Vice President shall be available to replace the President should such a need arise. The Vice President shall chair the membership committee.
- C. Secretary. The Secretary shall handle the details of membership, receive applications and dues, and continue or dissolve memberships according to the provisions of the Bylaws. He shall forward to the treasurer all receipts with adequate records thereof. He is to be the recipient of correspondence directed to the Executive Committee. He shall be considered as the official Club correspondent.
- D. Treasurer. The Treasurer is charged with handling all Club monies and is to keep an adequate set of records of all transactions. Separate accounts are to be kept for various Club activities as needed. Officers and committee chairpersons are to regularly submit vouchers for expenditures and for receipts to the treasurer with records for same.

### 4 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

#### 4-1. ORGANIZATION

- A. The President shall be the chairperson of the Executive Committee
- B. The Secretary shall receive and distribute communications to and from the Committee.

#### 4-2. PROCEDURES

- A. All matters of a controversial nature in the operation of the Club are to be channeled through this Committee.
- B. All matters of policy shall be overseen by this Committee.

### 5 WORKING COMMITTEES AND APPOINTMENTS

#### 5-1. TENURE

- A. All committee appointments and individual appointments shall begin and expire with the term of office of the appointing President. It is the right and duty of a new President to either continue committee appointments or to reappoint as is most suitable.
- B. When a Vice President finishes out a year for the President, the appointments shall remain as appointed by the President.

#### 5-2. BULLETIN EDITOR

- A. The Editor shall be appointed by the President.
- B. The Editor shall prepare and cause to be published and distributed a monthly Bulletin of a size and quality consistent with good journalistic standards and the financial position of the organization. Approved July 15, 1975.

C. The content, style and makeup of the Bulletin are the decisions of the Editor. It is expected that the Bulletin shall contain in each issue the listing of membership changes, general news and information, and several pages of catalog or study work. Catalog and study work may be replaced by the Club membership roster, auction lists, or like material. A complete listing of officers and appointments shall be included at least twice a year.

5-3. PUBLISHER

- A. The President shall appoint a Club Publisher.
- B. The Publisher shall prepare materials submitted to him for publication. He shall establish costs and selling prices, and he shall have such prices approved by the Executive committee prior to publications. The Bulletin is an exception to the need for approval since it is a continuing item, established and regulated by the Bylaws.
- C. The Publisher shall establish a schedule for all publications that will be presented other than through the Bulletin, and he shall have such schedule approved by the Executive Committee. Catalog work to be presented through the Bulletin shall be coordinated with the Bulletin editor.
- D. Publications shall be sold to non-members at a price higher than that charged members. The price to members shall be as low as practical to cover the costs of publication.
- E. All copies of publications given gratis, and all publications sold to non-members at member prices, shall be approved by the Executive Committee.
- F. Publications previously sold by other members or former publishers may be continued by them until such time as the present supply is depleted and reprints are necessary. Such persons shall supply the President with quarterly reports concerning the status of such publications.

5-4. EDITOR OF U.S. CATALOGS

- A. The President shall appoint an Editor of U.S. Catalogs.
- B. The U.S. Catalog Editor shall be charged with providing up-to-date catalogs of U.S. Perfins.
- C. There may be other members working with the U.S. Catalog Editor if desired. Such members shall be chosen by the U.S. Catalog Editor and appointed by the President.
- D. The U.S. Catalog Editor shall maintain a master catalog for the benefit of his successors and as the property of the Club. Such master catalog shall show the origin of each entry in the catalog and the basis on which it was made.

5-5. EDITOR OF FOREIGN CATALOGS

- A. The President shall appoint an Editor of Foreign Catalogs.
- B. The Foreign Catalog Editor shall be charged with providing up-to-date catalogs of foreign Perfins.
- C. There may be other members working with the Foreign Catalog Editor if desired. Such members shall be chosen by the Foreign Catalog Editor and appointed by the President.
- D. The Foreign Catalog Editor shall prepare all materials concerned with foreign Perfins and shall submit this material to the Publisher.
- E. The Foreign Catalog Editor shall, whenever practical, maintain for the benefit of his successors, and as the property of the Club, the master catalogs, recording the origin of each entry in the catalogs and the basis on which it was made.

F. The Foreign Catalog Editor shall develop a schedule of production of foreign catalogs that will cover a number of years in an effort to provide as many different catalogs as practical.

5-6. DIRECTOR OF PUBLICITY

- A. The President shall appoint a Director of Publicity.
- B. The Director of Publicity shall be charged with keeping the name and activities of the Perfins Club in constant view of the philatelic press.
- C. The Director of Publicity shall prepare or approve all material released to the press. Others who submit material must do so through the Director of Publicity.
- D. Other members may be appointed by the President to assist the Director of Publicity.

5-7. MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

- A. The Vice President shall serve as chairperson of the membership committee.
- B. Other members may be appointed to the committee by the President.
- C. It shall be the duty of this committee to take an interest in both the present and prospective members. This committee shall consider the sending of information kits to prospective members as its primary obligation. Offering to help new members is an important part of the committee's work.
- D. This committee shall keep the records of the special interests of each member and shall facilitate the exchange of stamps and information.

5-8. OTHER APPOINTMENTS

- A. The President shall appoint such committees or members as needed to fill positions not herein named--such as Historian, Exchange Chairperson, Librarian, and such other positions as will develop the workings of the Club.
- B. Such appointees shall have such responsibilities as are specifically assigned them by the President. Such responsibilities shall not be assigned in conflict with these Bylaws.

6 ELECTIONS

6-1. NOMINATING COMMITTEE

- A. The President shall appoint a nominating committee no later than July 1 prior to an election.
- B. The committee shall receive recommendations of candidates from members prior to September 1.
- C. 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.
- D. The nominating committee will notify the membership of its proposals via the October issue of the Bulletin.

6-2. ELECTION PROCEDURE

- A. Should there be a contest for any office, the Secretary will mail ballots to all members as of November 1, to be returned not later than December 1.

- B. Should there be no contest, the Secretary will cast the ballot for the membership.

## 7 CHARGES AND APPEALS

### 7-1. CHARGES

- A. Any member who is dissatisfied with the actions of any officer, committee member, or other member, may file a charge letter with the secretary for presentation to the Executive Committee.
- B. Such charge letter must be filed within 60 days of the action.

### 7-2. PROCEDURES

- A. The secretary, within ten days of the receipt of a charge letter, shall submit true copies of said letter to all members of the Executive Committee, and to the person or persons being charged. The person or persons being charged shall be advised by the secretary at this time that it is the obligation of the charged to supply the executive committee with information in defense of the action. The person or persons making the charge shall be advised that any additional proof must be submitted within 30 days.
- B. The executive committee shall take action on the charges within 60 days of the initial charge.
- C. A charge will be sustained if a majority of the membership of the executive committee eligible to vote thereon shall vote in favor of the appeal. Otherwise the charge will be disallowed. Both parties will be advised by the secretary of the decision. No member of the executive committee who is directly involved in a charge will be eligible to vote thereon.

### 7-3. APPEALS TO THE MEMBERSHIP

- A. Appeals may be taken to the membership only when such action is against the executive committee or when the decision on a charge by the executive committee is not accepted, and provided the appellant shall deposit a sum of money to be determined by the secretary that will be sufficient to bear the cost of such appeal, such sum of money to be refunded to the appellant in the event of his winning his appeal.
- B. When an appeal is to be taken to the membership, all materials previously submitted to the executive committee shall be submitted to the membership, and a vote requested. A simple majority of all votes cast will determine, provided a minimum of 25% of the membership has voted. A count of the votes by a disinterested party shall be made at a date 60 days from the date of the mailing of the ballots to the membership.

## 8 AMENDMENTS AND ADDITIONS

### 8-1. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

- A. Amendments to the Constitution may be proposed by a petition signed by at least three members and presented to the executive committee.
- B. The proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be presented to the membership by publication in the Perfins Bulletin.

- C. After a period of 60 days, the membership shall be polled by a ballot prepared and mailed to each member.
- D. The Constitution may then be amended by a three-fourths majority of the membership voting.

8-2. AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS

- A. Amendments to the Bylaws shall be proposed by a petition signed by at least three members and presented to the executive committee.
- B. The proposed amendment to the Bylaws shall be presented in writing to the membership in the Perfins Bulletin.
- C. A ballot shall be presented to the membership in the next Bulletin published by the Club. Members will submit their ballot to the secretary or other designated person within 60 days of the mailing of said Bulletin.
- D. The Bylaws may then be amended by a simple majority of the ballots cast.

9 EXHIBITS

9-1. YEARLY EXHIBIT

- A. Each year the executive committee may select a show which will host the national Perfins exhibit.
- B. If a show is to be held, the executive committee will appoint a member of the Perfins Club to act as Perfins Coordinator with the host organization.
- C. The best exhibit of Perfins, shown by a member of the club, will receive a suitably inscribed award.
- D. Other awards may be given at the discretion of the executive committee.

9-2. AWARDS

- A. The cost of awards will not exceed the monetary limits set by the executive committee on a yearly basis. Approved December 1, 1981.

10 HALLOCK CARD AWARD

10-1. SELECTION

- A. The President shall appoint the immediate past recipient and two previous recipients as a committee to determine the recipient of the award. The chairperson shall be the immediate past recipient.
- B. The committee will select the winner of the award from nominations received from the membership.













10-2. AWARD

- A. The award will be suitably inscribed with recipients name and the honor for which awarded. Approved December 1, 1981.

10-3. ALTERNATIVES

- A. If there is no member deemed worthy of the award, the committee will make a recommendation of the executive committee to that effect.
- B. The executive committee will make the final decision in the event of such a recommendation.

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	<p>11 A                  Zerrehner Bulow &amp; Cia.                  Sao Paulo                  See B12                  Scott 66,72</p>		
	<p>1 B                  See A2</p>		<p>7 B                  Dannemann &amp; Cia.                  (Tentative)</p>
	<p>2 B</p>		<p>8 B                  Dannemann &amp; Cia.                  (Tentative)                  B7 &amp; B8 may be from                  same perforator.</p>
<p>C.D.D.</p>	<p>3 B</p>		<p>9 B</p>
	<p>4 B                  Chase National Bank                  (Tentative)</p>		<p>10 B                  Illustration may show                  incomplete pattern</p>
	<p>5 B</p>		<p>11 B                  British Perfin                  U62A</p>
 Tracing	<p>6 B                  Dannemann &amp; Cia.                  (Tentative)                  See A4</p>		<p>12 B                  Zerrehner Bulow &amp; Cia.                  Sao Paulo                  See A11</p>

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AND MORE ADS...

Bob Jones (#2227) writes that he has formally requested a booth for the Perfins Club at the show to be sponsored by the Northeastern Federation of Stamp Clubs. This show is to be held in Boston in October. There are 42 members of our Club in the Northeast. All might be interested in participating in this event. Contact Bob (Robert C. Jones) at 8 Beach St. Brocton, MA 02402 if you are interested in helping to man this booth at the show.

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Librarian B.L. "Tim" Timmerman writes that the library is missing some of the earliest materials published on perfins. Copies of the early issues of the "The Pin Perf Collectors Bulletin" published by E. Hagner in 1937, "Perfins" published by Hallock Card, and "The Perfins Bulletin" prior to 1953 are needed to complete the set. Some numbers are present in the Library but not all. In addition Tim writes that ANY material related to perfins is welcome. If you have (or have access to) any of the above mentioned material write him at 1606 Britney Dr., Sherwood, AR 72116.

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Ed Fisher (#2220) writes "New member, OLD collector trying to get enough Mexican perfins for an exhibit. Want to buy or swap." He can be reached at Box 3801, San Angelo, TX 76902.

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Mrs. Eileen Meier (#2117) would like stamps, covers or literature which deal with the trident -- the symbol of Neptune (Poseidon). Contact her at Box 727, New Brunswick, NJ 08903.

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Foreign Catalog Editor Bob Schwerdt writes that he would like to like to hear from anyone interested in working to produce a catalog of French perfins. He would like to get interested collectors together to get this effort off the ground. Contact him (Robert J. Schwerdt) at 9 Memory Lane, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603.

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Patricia Dennis (#2206) would like to trade for Canada, Newfoundland, or Australia O.S. perfins. She has other O.S. perfins, MNH Canada, British Commonwealth, and US precancels to exchange for the O.S.'s she needs. Write her at 601 6th St. SE, Redcliff, Alberta, Canada T0J 2P0.

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Harry Rickard writes that Donald Muggeridge (Vice President of the APS Windmill Study Group) is trying to obtain a copy of the Netherlands windmill or any other windmill pattern. He can be reached at 88 Brentwood Dr., San Rafael, CA 94901.

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## BEGINNERS CORNER #1

BY HARRY RICKARD

I hope that each of you newer collectors will enjoy perfin collecting as much as I have. With a little bit of help and information, I'm sure that you will.

During the next few months I will offer tips and suggestions to help further your collecting interests. If there is specific information you need or would like to see in this column write me and include a SASE (self addressed stamped envelope). Each month, new members join us in our Club. Most don't know any of the information which has been given in the previous Bulletins. I will repeat some brief bits, but for the specific information you will need to contact the Librarian for copies of articles. More on that later.

Our U.S. Catalog project was funded by the sale of an immense holding of perfins, donated to the Club by the late Al Bartleson. The previous edition of the catalog (1966) evolved over a long period of time through the efforts of many Club members and was funded mostly by the members themselves.

Currently, various members of the Club are contributing to the production of foreign catalogs by adding to and editing "Worksheets". Worksheets are alphabetic listings of designs, measurements, and the number of holes in each pattern (where needed). Unusual patterns, without letters included, are listed either in the Number or the Design section of the catalog or worksheet. After sufficient work has been done these worksheets are converted into catalogs. The production of catalogs requires a variety of talents (see "British Catalog To Be Updated" in this Bulletin) and willing hands are always welcome. One thing that all of us should understand is that there is no complete catalog -- new discoveries are very possible.

GETTING STARTED is as simple as writing the Sales Manager for sales circuit material from the area of your own interest. U.S. E-rated perfins (very common patterns) are currently selling for \$.05 each, D-rated (still common) patterns sell for \$.15 each. If you have started with a fair sized collection, the next step may be to request a book of C-rated patterns at \$.40 each, or, begin bidding in Club auctions.

ALWAYS ask stamp dealers if they have any perfins. Many will segregate these stamps as "defective". Often these defectives turn out to be bargain perfins! Attend stamp shows as there is a larger concentration of dealers present in one place than normally possible. Keep your ears open! Someone asking for perfins may turn out to be a new friend -- you never know where your next perfin will come from.

Foreign collectors can also receive packets from the Sales Department. The prices for these stamps vary from country to country -- generally based on demand for the material.

Sellers may send packets or mounted books of C-rated and better perfins to the Sales Department.

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PERFINS ARE GENERALLY MOUNTED FACE DOWN on a black background, so that the design (and not the stamp issue) is emphasized.

For the new collector, I can not overemphasize the need for good catalogs and other literature. Most of the US material referred to in this Bulletin will have catalog numbers from the current US Perfins Catalog by Balough and Balough, while the stamps will generally be referred to by numbers from the Scott catalog of US stamps. Foreign worksheet information is invaluable to the foreign collector.

More next month.

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## BRITISH CATALOG TO BE UPDATED

BY DICK MEWHINNEY

How about YOU? There will be several Club projects developing during the next several months. The more people working, the more rewarding for all of us.

The particular project to be discussed here is a big one, perhaps the biggest for a while. We have the opportunity to produce a new, up-to-date British Catalog. Dr. Harvey Tilles has offered the Club all of the materials used to produce the current Catalog which is now completely sold out. Existing copies of this catalog are selling for as much as L75 in Great Britain.

Bob McKee has agreed to coordinate the project of compiling the new catalog. Bob, along with Basil Tompkins of Great Britain, was the editor of the present catalog. These two men have more knowledge and information available to them than most of the rest of us put together. With the production material from the present catalog, the Club has a long head start in editing this new catalog.

Since the current catalog is out of print it would be impractical to simply prepare A&C pages. The current catalog contains over 14,000 entries but the new version is expected to have 18,000 plus listings!

So your help is needed!! We can use all the help that we can get. There are a variety of jobs to be done including pasting, typing, listing, checking, proof reading, and (hopefully) computerizing some of this information. One of the biggest tasks will be the addition of the three thousand plus patterns into the numbering system. This will be most readily accomplished in a computer listing which can be made from the current catalog and then easily edited in the machine. Hard copy would then be easy to generate and use.

How about it?? LET'S GET INVOLVED. Drop a line to Robert J. McKee, 77 Piper Rd., Hamden, CT 06514.

We will let you know in late summer how this project is coming along. Hopefully we will have a committee working by then.

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## THE PERFINS CLUB SALES DEPARTMENT

Sales manager Dick Mewhinney has established some guidelines for members wishing to use the Sales Department to buy or sell perfins.

ONLY MEMBERS of the Perfins Club may use the service of the Sales Department. The Club will charge a 20% 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 10 days of receipt.

Because purchases of less than \$8 do not cover expenses for a shipment, a member who purchases less than \$8 worth of perfins at a time must pay postage both ways.

Buyers may request shipments of the following types of material.

- A. U.S. books of stamps with a rating of C or better.
- B. U.S. envelopes of D-rated stamps.
- C. U.S. envelopes of E-rated stamps.
- D. U.S. envelopes of specialties such as railroads, precancels, or parcel post stamps.
- E. Foreign envelopes. Please specify the country or countries.

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 sales books without charge to members who wish to fill them and offer them for sale through the Department. Additional sales books are \$.25 each.

The books each hold 100 stamps and should be filled with stamps selling for at least \$.25 each to make it worthwhile for prospective buyers. Each stamp in the book is to be marked with the US Perfins Catalog number, the rating, and the price.

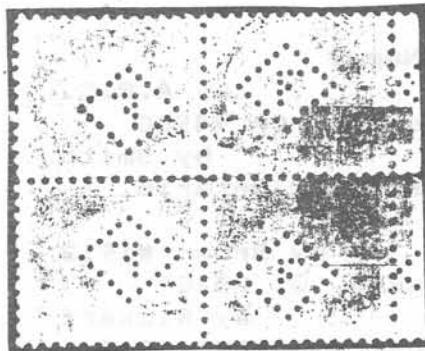
Envelopes should be #3 glassines (2 1/2 by 4 1/2 inches) or similar size (use new glassines please) and should contain up to 150 perfins. D and E rated perfins should not be mixed in the same envelope. Countries should not be mixed. There should be no more than three of the same design in each envelope.

Pricing is left up to the seller. The law of supply and demand is very much the rule. If you have no idea 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 Sales Manager:

Richard L. Mewhinney  
33 Carlton Avenue  
Washington, NJ 07882

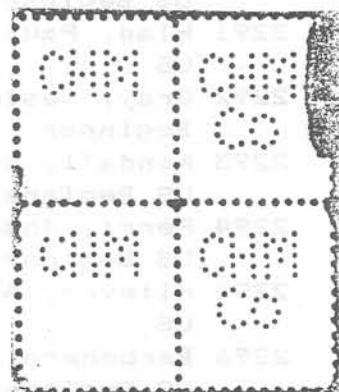
## OUR READERS WRITE



Bill Turney (#1538) writes with a question which is deceptively simple. Reproduced at the left is a block of four stamps perfinned with pattern F8 of the E. L. Faber Pencil Co. Bill's question is "How was this punch accomplished?" My immediate reaction was that it was a simple foldover perfin giving mirror punches, but a slightly longer look shows that the horizontal alignment is not correct for mirror pairs. To further confuse the picture the patterns are extremely well aligned vertically -- but the distance between the patterns in the right and left pairs is not the same. So, HOW WERE these patterns produced in this alignment?

Bill Cummings (LM25) writes with comments on two different articles recently published in the Bulletin.

His first comments have to do with the CHM pattern reproduced in my article about broken patterns (PB 37(Feb.):30;1984). "The CHM pattern is the former C153.5 and was described as the top line of of a C154 punch." To further confirm Bill's information I reproduce at the right a block of four submitted by Harry Rickard which shows the two patterns attached. Bill also spotted what may be a minor problem. The Cain rating for C154 is D while the new catalog has it as an A. Both Bill and I have evidence that the A rating is wrong, but is the previous D rating correct?



The second set of comments by Bill had to do with the article by Rudy Roy on perfins on the experimental precancels (PB 37(Feb):21;1984). He writes:

"The UFC perfin comes only on the 1c stamps. Fairly common. Enough around to take care of precancelled perfin collectors and enough copies without perfin to satisfy bureau precancel collectors so the UFC's do not sell for a premium.

"The 6c comes only with the Parke Davis perfin, P56.5. The stamp itself is so rare that the perfin seldom affects the price, in fact some prefer it that way. I will pay \$500 up for a copy, 'nuff said?

"This brings up another subject, definitely in line with the page 21 article. The catalog attributes both P56.1 and P56.5 to New Orleans. I have P56.1 on 27 values of the 50 listed -- from BALTIMORE. These cover issues from 1912 through 1926! I feel that P56.1 is either misattributed OR the "New Orleans" copies are P56.5 missing the second control hole."

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# THE SECRETARY'S REPORT

THE SECRETARY IS RALPH W. SMITH, RRI BOX 5645, DRYDEN, NE 04225

## NEW MEMBERS

- 2283 Lodha, Rajesh K., GPO Box 2806, Kathmandu, Nepal  
Unknown by A.P.S.
- 2284 Endicott, Stephen R., 80 De Herrera, San Anselmo, CA 94960  
Worldwide by Smith
- 2285 McGeachie, Stewart E., 4 Brightview Cr., Westhill, Ontario,  
Canada M1E 3Y7  
Canada & Great Britain by Brown #1912
- 2286 Anderson, Glen R., 2336 W. Lawn Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53209  
US Beginner by Rickard
- 2287 Kilmer, Christover J., 1404 East 7th St., Anderson, IN 46012  
Worldwide Beginner by Rickard
- 2288 Farmer, William H., PO Box 11501, Albuquerque, NM 87112  
US Beginner by Rickard
- 2289 MacPherson, Walden, Bethel Ave., Box 164, Pine Plains, NY  
12567  
Worldwide by Rickard
- 2290 Knowles, Albert S., 88 Mountain Ave., Warren, NJ 07060  
US Beginner by Rickard
- 2291 Hlad, Paul E., PO Box 1855, Greeley, CO 80632  
US by Rickard
- 2292 Gray, Wesley C., 9408 Bravo Way, Sacramento, CA 95826  
Beginner by Rickard
- 2293 Kendall, Gerald W., Box 55545, Houston, TX 77055  
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- 2294 Perri, Joseph F., 60 Acre Lane, Hicksville, NY 11801  
US Beginner by Rickard
- 2295 Kliever, Arthiss M., 9549 Spring Branch, Dallas, TX 75238  
US by Rickard
- 2296 Barbehenn, Eugene E., Box 18421, Rochester, NY 14618  
US Beginner by Rickard
- 2297 Supkoski, Joseph W., PO Box 692, Dunkirk, NY 14048  
US Beginner by Rickard
- 2298 Stephens, Edith A., 6442 Calhoun, Dearborn, MI 48126  
US Beginner by Smith
- 2299 Glidden-Pantry, Ruth M., 632 Cornell Ave., Salinas, CA 93901  
Beginner by Savage
- 2300 Pearson, Charles T., 1004 Pinehollow Lane, Cincinnati, OH  
45231  
Precancels w/ID (Full name) by Brown #1912

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- 1225 Grenberg, Milton, 1400 Bryn Mawr NE, Albuquerque, NM 87106
- PX APRL Inc., PO Box 8338, State College, PA 16803
- 2205 Geraci, Kathleen N., 2225 Jannet Ave., Eau Claire, WI 54701

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- 2213 Williams, John J., USAF RAO 3rd CSG/CDR; APO San Francisco, CA  
96274

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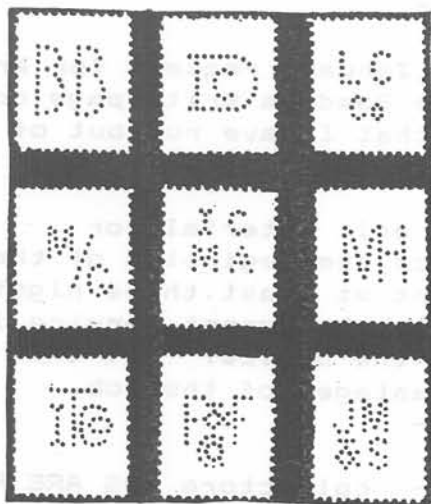
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Resignation	- 1
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Members as of Jan. 31, 1984	832

## TWO EARLY PERFIN ARTICLES

BY DICK MEWHINNEY

President Dick Mewhinney has recently submitted the following two short articles. They were found in a notebook that housed the collection of former member Mrs. T. S. Farquharson (#51) which was transferred by Ivan Ley to Dick. Mrs. Farquharson passed away in 1968 at the age of 102. Before formal life memberships were available she was awarded life membership in the Club when, at the age of 94, she paid her dues two years ahead!

These articles are among the first about perfins to appear in the press. They appeared in the American Boy, an outstanding pre World War II magazine for youth. They were evidently written by Willard O. Wylie the editor of Meekel's Weekly, one of the largest stamp publications of that time. Since the first perfins were produced after Federal approval in 1908, these are very early articles. The article with illustration appeared in February 1909 and the one without in May 1911. The articles are reprinted below.



We have noted the issue of stamps privately perforated with initials as a protection against thievery by employees. By a recent order this practice has been authorized and the collecting of these stamps will form an interesting "side line." It is, of course, readily appreciated that they have no pecuniary value, but the excitement and pleasure of quest will be appreciated. We illustrate a few current "perforations":

### Stamps Perforated With Initials

Are stamps perforated with initials collectible is a question frequently asked of us, and we are always compelled to reply that they are not so far as any commercial value is concerned. Stamp collectors who desire a side-line will find stamps of this kind of interest and every stamp album should show a page upon which these stamps are represented. It will be noted that curious designs are used by some firms and the letters are arranged in quite an artistic manner. In mounting the stamps it is wise to note underneath the name of the firm in full using the same. The perforating of stamps in this manner is not a new idea, and as may be imagined it is done by firms to protect themselves from petty thievery upon the part of employees.

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## EDITORIAL COMMENTS

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With the purchase of my own printer, used for the first time last month, I hope to have finally cured print problems. Ron Kunavich wrote to say that the printer appreciated the bolder type -- balancing the illustrations against the type was much easier. This month will tell the tale, however, since now the ribbon has had a chance to dry out a little. The type is still dot matrix -- but the dots are square not round. I hope that this makes for a slightly more readable product!

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Thanks for the tremendous response to my January request for articles (or anything else) for the Bulletin. The Readers Write page could have been three pages this time (except that I have run out of time to type it up).

Next month I will have some more time to edit material for publication. I have been travelling since the beginning of the year -- six of the last nine weeks I have spent at least three nights in a motel. The biggest problem in working for the Forest Service is that it is difficult to bring the forest into the office. But then again, the field work is one of the biggest advantages of the job.

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One point that needs to be reemphasized -- collectors ADS ARE FREE TO CLUB MEMBERS, and they are a great way to get into touch with other members with the same interests!

While a large collection on the shelf is gratifying, the fun comes when we share our hobby with each other. So, keep those cards and letters coming!

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## THEMATIC PERFINS

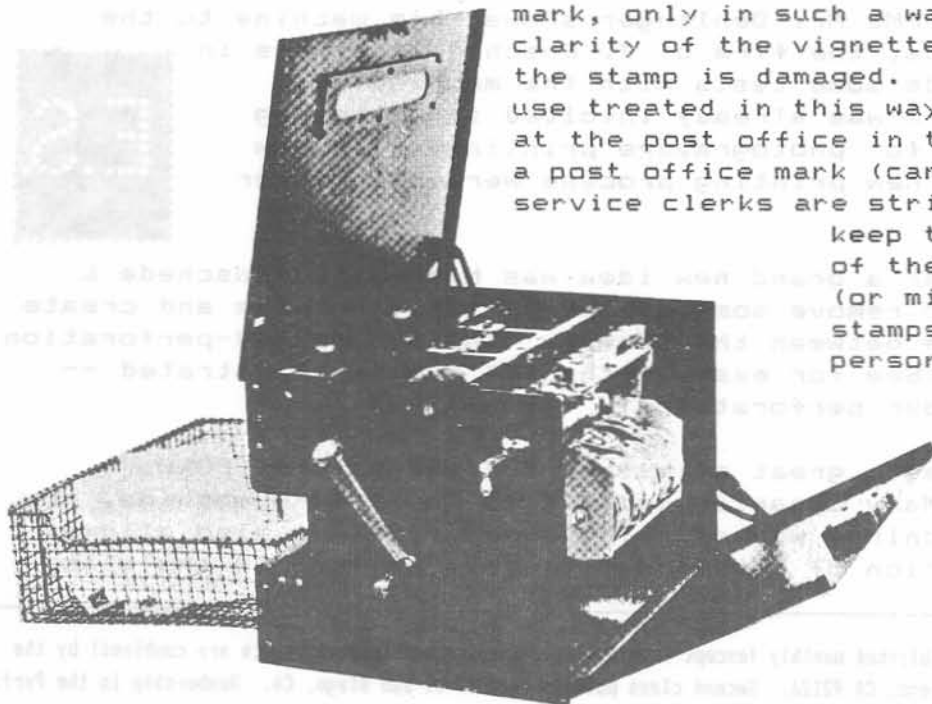
BY A. C. VAN DEN OUDENALDER

A thematic stamp collection is not limited only to stamps, covers, postcards, and FDC's of which only the front (stamped side) with the postmark, or the illustrated side, is important to the chosen theme. Stamps themselves can show some distinguishing features which are very interesting, and can be included in the collection without hesitation. An example might be errors in stamps, like printing mistakes and "misperforation". Also, deliberate extra perforations.

One special kind of extra perforation is the perfin (firmaperforaties or bedrijfsperforaties). Of course, this type of perforation is allowed in a thematic stamp collection; as single stamps, or as those on covers or letters.

Perfins were allowed in Holland by the Postmaster General through a special Postal Order (no. 955, article 2) on March 31, 1875. The complete text of that article goes as follows:

"On request to this Department made by the party concerned, is granted the license, to prevent the misuse by persons in their employ of stamps which are bought for postage and are bought in quantity, to print a dry mark or to perforate them with small holes in the form of a name mark, only in such a way that neither the clarity of the vignette nor the value of the stamp is damaged. Stamps for postal use treated in this way will be devalued at the post office in the normal way, with a post office mark (cancel). Civil service clerks are strictly forbidden to keep track of, on behalf of the licensee, the use (or misuse) of these stamps by authorized persons."



Licences, as they are called in this article, are no longer granted. By the end of 1970 interest in this type of licensing dropped off completely,

primarily due to the general use of postal metering machines; so the Postmaster General decided to stop issuing new licences.

## The Rise of Coil Stamps and Perfins.



About 50 years ago a new kind of office machine was developed; the automatic stamp machine. This machine could perfin a roll of stamps placed in it and then affix the stamps to mail. This last capability was, of course, an enormous time saver for commercial mail rooms. Most of the postal clerks in user firms were very happy with this new machine.

In 1922 Mr. Dehlinger became the general sales manager for these machines in Netherlands; the machines are called POKO's.

In 1911 this type of machine was imported from Belgium. These older types required rolls of stamps made from complete sheets of stamps. The sheets were glued together lengthwise and later cut into strips one stamp wide. The end product was a roll of 500 or 1000 stamps.



From June 1911 these rolls were available for private clients. However, the PMG (Post Master General) constantly received complaints about the premature separation of the stamps in the POKO machines, generally at the perforation.



Mr. Dehlinger sent a letter with several test rolls to the PMG at the Hague. These test rolls were made with small perforations, smaller than in current use. For example, he used some German stamps with small hole perf. 14. He also suggested some tests with stronger papers. Neither gave the anticipated success.

At the request of the PMG Mr. Dehlinger showed his machine to the printer of Dutch stamps, the firm of J. Enschede and Sons in Haarlem. The firm made some tests with the machine. Coincidentally the firm was already involved in a testing program of new papers for photogravure printing. The new kind of paper and the new printing process were needed for planned stamp issues.



At the end of that year a brand new idea was born at J. Enschede & Sons. The idea was to remove some of the perforating pins and create a kind of paper bridge between the stamps. The syncopated-perforation was born. (See for example the "T" perfin illustrated -- note the upper perforations).



This idea was a great stimulant for the sale of POKO machines. Many companies decided to buy a POKO machine, now that the machines worked. These new machines also allowed the perforation of the firms initials or logo in the stamp.

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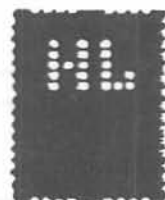
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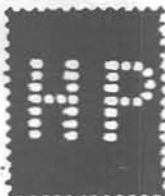
Misuse of the companies stamps was no longer possible; robbery by employees was precluded.

Because many firms started to use the POKO machines, a boom in the use of 2, 5, and 10c stamps with syncopated perforations resulted.

In the meantime (1935) the PMG decided that many stamp vending machines ought to be placed in several cities, to allow private patrons to purchase stamps after the closing time of the post offices. Stamps of the 1 1/2, 5, and 6 cent denominations were thereby sold in enormous quantities.



The printing house of J. Enschede & Sons bought a new rotary-screen-gravure printing press on which they could print continuous coils of stamps. This was, of course, the death of the handmade coils prepared from sheets.



#### Thematic Perfins are Interesting.

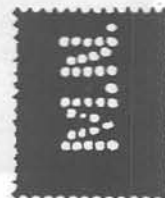
Within the category of known perfins of the Netherlands are several perfins which are very interesting in themselves -- and are collected as such.

Examples of these perfins are found in the Table. The Table shows us, by main groupings like printing houses, publishers, etc., the perfins used, the number of holes, the town of emission, and the firm name. Different towns with the same perfin are recognizable only by postmark.

Besides these identified perfins there were several other firms which had a POKO machine. It is a pity that we do not know the perfins belonging to these companies. While their initials are known their perfins are not. Pertinent to our theme (paper manufacturers and users) the following are important:



Amsterdam:	N.V. Uitgeversmij Olanda P.H. Vermeulen, Academic bookseller
Haarlem :	Joh. Enschede & Sons Catholic Illustrators
Rotterdam:	M. Wit & Son, Advertising Bureau and an unknown firm which did promotions for "Het Beste" and "Time Life"



Some of the perfins are known lacking one or more holes. The reason for this problem is the breaking off of one or more of the perforating pins in the POKO.

Many patterns are known without knowledge of the user. There is no file maintained from the old days. And the files of Mr. Dehlinger are lost.



The rise of the postal meter was the end of the POKO machine. The latest known POKO perfin is dated from June 1942. After thirty years of loyal service there came an end to this important episode in philatelic history.

SUBJECT	PERFIN	# OF HOLES	TOWN	COMPANY NAME
Printing-houses	CTN	41	Den Boosch	Teuling's Koninklijke Druckkerijen nv.
	E.S.	32	Weert	F. Smits Printinghouse
Publishers	D.B.	31	Amsterdam	J. H. de Bussy
	W.J.	36	Den Haag	W. Junk, Publisher
Newspapers, Magazines	HL	19	Amsterdam	Weekly Het Leven
	HP	21	Den Haag	The Haugue Post
	T	10	Amsterdam	The Daily Telegraph
Advertising Bureaus	vS	49	Rotterdam	Staal & Co.
	BUR.VD	54	Amsterdam	Vaz Dias Agency
	M.N.	33	Amsterdam	Max R. Nunes, Central Adv. Bur.
Paper Related	GH/B	37	Amsterdam	G. H. Buhrmann
	R&D	34	Amsterdam	Rath & Doodeheefver
	VGZ	24	Renkum	Van Gelder & Sons NV
	VGZ	28	Amsterdam	Van Gelder & Sons NV
	VGZ	28	Rotterdam	Van Gelder & Sons NV
	VGZ	28	Wormerveer	Van Gelder & Sons NV
	VGZ	28	Apeldoorn	Van Gelder & Sons NV
	VGZ	34	Renkum	Van Gelder & Sons NV
	VGZ	35	Apeldoorn	Van Gelder & Sons NV
Bookshops	K	15	Amsterdam	Amsterdam's Discount Bookshop
	S	13	Den Haag	's-Gravenhage Segboer's Shop
	S.B.	24		Station Bookstore
	S.B.	24 (large holes)		Station Bookstore
	S.B.	33		Station Bookstore
	S.B.	35	Leeuwarden	Station Bookstore
	SH/B	37	Amsterdam	Scheltema & Holkema's Bookstore

Finally in 1965 the (true) coil stamp took a firm place in the postal system. At that time the first coil stamp dispenser was put out, which had expanded postal service including both stamp variety and other services. The collector was given a broad new collecting interest, the coil stamp itself.



Besides all of the Dutch perfins listed in this article there are many foreign perfins which fit well into this thematic collection. Please send me supplemental information about the Dutch perfins, and also share with me either literature and/or information which you may have about perfins from other countries, so that a more complete article can be written for publication here, about this important theme which is ignored by some.

References:

Information for this article was found in:

Enschede, E.J. Perfins. 2nd ed.



Bauder, Burton E. POKO issues of the Netherlands, no. 3. 1975.

and in several articles published in the Dutch Magazine of Philately, October and November 1974, and December 1975. These articles were written by Mr. J. Dekker.



Editor's Note:

I wish to thank Mr. van den Oudenalder for his translation of this article which first appeared in the Dutch philatelic magazine *Druck Doende* 5: 232-241; 1983. With his permission I have edited the translation to conversational English; where the transliteration presented is not true to the original article I take responsibility. I truly wish that my Dutch was as good as Mr. Oudenalder's English.

Thanks to both Mr. van den Oudenalder and *Druck Doende* for the cooperation extended to me and the Perfins Club in permitting the reprinting of this article.

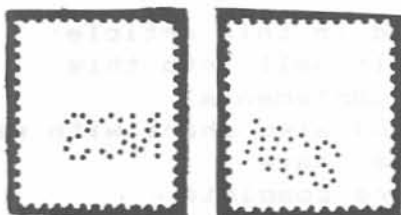
*Druck Doende* is the official journal of the Dutch section of the international thematic society *Papier en Druck* (Paper and Printing). It publishes studies of the theme of paper, papermakers, and paper users (printers, booksellers, book binders, etc.) Articles in the issue submitted to me include cancels and stamps which relate to books, publishers, and people involved in the activities described. "Theme" in this article means any paper or printing related activity.

Anyone interested in this theme and wishing to exchange information, literature, or stamps with Mr. A. C. van den Oudenalder, should write him at -- 't Jaagpad 6, 3742 GS Baarn, Netherlands.

## TAKE ANOTHER LOOK

BY HARRY A. RICKARD

Here are some more patterns which deserve a close look. They are reproduced along with the pattern illustration from the current catalog of US perfins. The comparison should help. Catalog illustration will be on the left and the variety on the right.



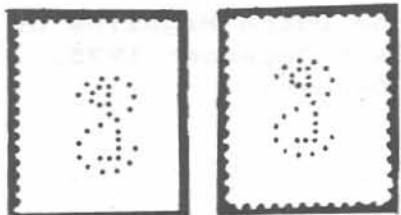
This variety of N54 has a slightly taller N, the top of the C is narrower, and the spacing is different for the diagonal of the N (from the upright stroke).

The placement of the pattern on an angle suggests that the machine from which the impression was made was probably a single die machine.

This variety of S99 was found on the offset printing of the 1c green Washington. The hole placement is not the same as on more recent stamps with the S99 pattern.



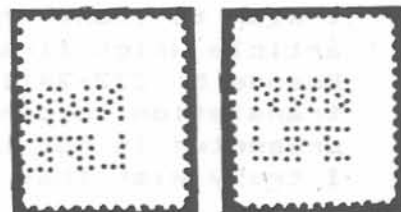
The top two holes of the S are at a different angle, as is true for the 3rd and 4th holes from the bottom of the S. Also note the spacing difference between the top holes of the D.



Here is a variety of S228. This designers look-alike is close -- but not the same.

Note how the bottom of the S winds up slightly lower on the variety and the P is in a slightly different position.

This N175 variety is commonly found incomplete on early issues. The missing pin in the W will help.



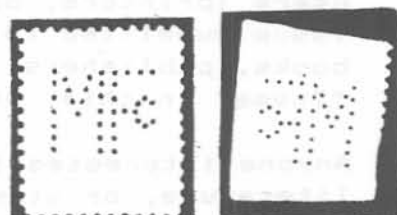
The most obvious key to this variety is the placement of the diagonals in the N's.



Here is a new variety of G29.

The G appears taller than in the catalog illustration, and the spacing between the bottom holes of the A and G are different for the two.

And finally, a new variety of M111. M111 is itself a scarce pattern (A rated) and now we have a new, similar design with a narrower M and a larger C. This one is probably also truly scarce since no other has yet surfaced.

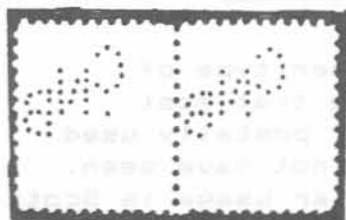
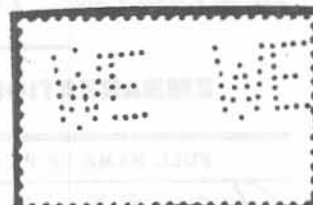




Member Bob Foley has submitted this apparently new LM/C pattern. The shape of the C makes it stand out from those already cataloged.

And now here are some items which raise the opposite question. Are these patterns derived from broken pin punches of the base pattern reported in the catalog?

The first pattern illustrated is a single commemorative size US stamp with beautifully aligned punches of W72-21 (left) and W72-78. This suggests that W72-78 is a broken pin variety of W72-21



made with a multiple die perforator).

Here we have an attached pair of regular series stamps. The perfins on the stamps are, however, cataloged differently; C219 on the left, C216 on the right. This pair suggests that C216 is a broken pin variety of C219, and also raises questions about the relationship of the various CNB patterns (since this impression was obviously

Here is a REAL beauty! These two patterns found on a single US commemorative illustrate clearly the relation between four different US patterns. The patterns shown are V27A (left) and a broken pin variety of V28 (right). This pair of patterns strongly suggests that patterns V27, V27A, V28, and V28A are all broken pin varieties of the same pattern -- necessarily V28 since it is the only one with all the pins needed to create the other patterns.



## THANKS FOR SOUTH AMERICA!

The South American Catalog pages being presented in the Bulletin at the present time have been prepared by Foreign Catalog Editor Bob Schwerdt and former Bulletin Editor Floyd A. Walker.

Schwerdt and Walker are quick to acknowledge, however, that their work would be impossible without the help of many Perfins Club members including the following who have been instrumental in the compilation of these South American pages: Bob Bergstrom, Jack Brandt, Leland Crane, E. J. Enschede, Bob Foley, Sal Guarini, Alejandro Pettoruti, C. N. Reuter, Rudy Roy, Willem Smetsers, H. Smit, Bob Sperring, and Harvey Tilles.

Currently in process are the pages for Argentina, Columbia, Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, and Venezuela. THANKS to all who have made these pages a reality!

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BY FRANCIS J. MILLER

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Passage Contract No. 161864

EMBARKATION COUPON

FULL NAME OF PASSENGER	AGE
Albert Dzikowski	42



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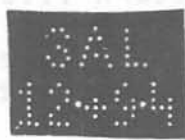
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Here is another type of revenue usage that most collectors of postally used perfins will not have seen. This particular usage is Scott #R244 (\$5.00 Documentary stamp) attached to an embarkation coupon issued by the Scandanavian-American Line for third class passage aboard the SS Frederick VIII from New York to Copenhagen. This trip cost \$106.50 (+\$5.00 for the stamp) in 1924.

The perfin (SAL/12.+9.4) is readily identifiable as belonging to the Scandanavian-American Line. For those unfamiliar with revenue uses of perfins, it is not uncommon to have a date or other numerals perforated into the stamp as the second line of the perfin.





## Chile

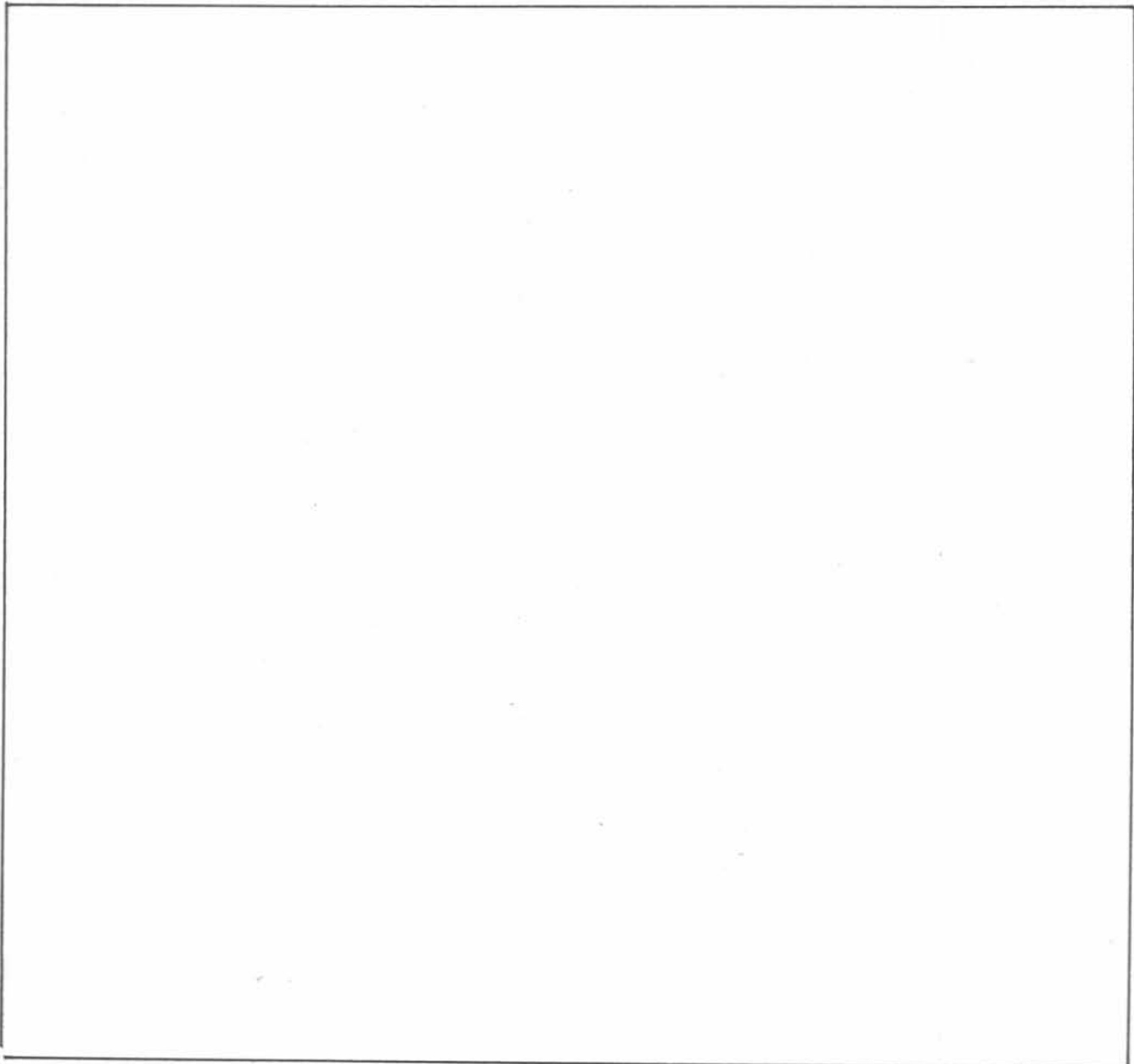
In contrast to the relatively few commercial perfins found on the postage stamps of Chile, there are probably more than two hundred perfins on the fiscal stamps of Chile. From the size and placement of the letters, most of these fiscal punches can be considered cancelling devices rather than true perfins. Because there are so few photocopies of the fiscal perfins, only a list of these items will be provided as part of this catalog. If more information can be collected, a supplementary catalog of Chile fiscal perfins will be published later.

In addition to punch holes of various designs, other cancelling devices on postal issues include PAGADO and ANNULADO in letters of two or more different sizes.

	1	A		6	A
	2	A		7	A
	3	A		8	A
	4	A		9	A
	5	A		10	A

Chile

	11 A Lautaro Nitrate Co. Ltd. Antofagasta, Valparaiso		13 A Sociedad Industrial Americana Maquinarias di Tella
 X	12 A National City Bank of New York Valparaiso		14 A Santiago





## A checklist of Fiscal Perfins of Chile

AA	CGU	LA	-A.G.V.
AB	CGV	LAA	-A.M.
ACCNC	CHB (? mono)	LA/NACIONAL	-A.S.
ACCNC/LC	CKYC	L.C.T.	
AC/L*	CLBN		-B.Cu-
(*maybe ACCNC/LC)	C/LC*	M	-BC
A.P.B	(*maybe ACCNC/LC)	M.G.F	
AP/CG	CN DE A	M.D-	-CDHC
APSC	C.N. DE. A		-CH
ASAB	C.N./DE/T	NCB (2)	-CIM-
A&C	CSAE		-CL.D-
	CSCC		
A.-	C.S.T.	O.P	-DEC
	CST	OW-	
BAE	CTC		-E.P.
BASA			-EC
BAT	C.I-(2)	PA/GC*	
BCC <sup>o</sup>		(*maybe AP/CG)	
		PT	-F
B.C.I.	DF (2)		-F.P.-
B.deC.	DF/C		-FPBCW-
B DE L	D.G.	RAB	
B DEL E	DNC	RAV	
B DEL L	DUPNC	RZD	-.G.
BEC			-G.R.
BEch (3)		SAB	-G.V.
BF&I	EC	SACIF	
BI (4)	E.P.	SACSB	-J.E.W.-
	E.R.G.	S.A.M.	
B.I		SG	-L.A.-
B.LA.	F.G.E.	S.I.A.	
BOYLU	F.L.M.	SLC	-N.A.-
BP	F.N.L.P.	SN	-NT
B.P.	F&I	S.N/P.T.	
BPA		SS	-OLAR
B.S.A.	GAS	S.S.F	-PA-
BYC	GB	SU	
	G.I	S&C	-S.A..
BA-	GYC (3)	S-RC	-SINGE-
B.DEL. -	GCN-		
BD-			
B DEL -		T.B	-t.v
B DE -	HL		
BG -			
BICH-	H.C-	U.D.C <sup>o</sup> L <sup>D</sup>	-U&-
BS-		U.O.C <sup>o</sup>	
	IP		
CCI	ITALIA	VYC	
C DE CI	I.C-	VYC <sup>o</sup>	
CEC			
CES (2)	J.A.M.	WB	
CEU		WB-	
CEV	J.A-		
CFU			

A' - " indicates that a letter is believed to be missing from the pattern.

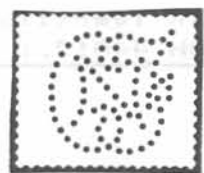
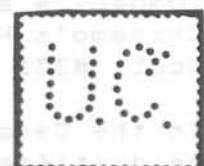
# BELGIAN PRECANCELLED PERFINS

BY BOB SCHWERDT

Do perfins exist on Belgian precancels before 1914 or after 1937? Since my last mention of these a few years ago, several more types have been acquired. I list them for the record. Is there anyone in the Club specializing in these issues who would be willing to provide a comprehensive checklist? With the large number of precancels in existence, it seems likely that many perfins on these issues have not yet been reported.



Perfin	Precancel (reading up/down)		Scott #
B.C. (mono)	BRUSSEL/14/BRUXELLES	D	92
C.L.	BRUXELLES/1924/BRUSSEL	U	147
CPR	ANTWERPEN/1937	U	267
CR	BRUXELLES/22/BRUSSEL	D	111
CR	BRUXELLES/1923/BRUSSEL	U	147
L.D.C.	ANTWERPEN/1926/ANVERS	U	147
L.D.C.	ANTWERPEN/1927/ANVERS	U	147
L.D.C.	ANTWERPEN/1929/ANVERS	U	201
L.D.C.	BELGIQUE/1931/BELGIE	U	202
ONE	BRUXELLES/1924/BRUSSEL	U	147
U.C.	LIEGE/1924/LUIK	U	146
Z or N (fancy mono)	BRUSSEL/14/BRUXELLES	D	92



## SOME PERFINS LISTED IN Y & T

E.J. Enschede (#235) writes that the 1970 Yvert & Tellier catalog lists quite a few perfins. They are: Australia (OS), Great Britain (crown/BT), France (EPPA&O), Guatemala (OFFICAL), Luxemborg (OFFICIEL), New South Wales (OS/NSW) & (OS), North West Pacific Islands (OS), Papua (OS), Queensland (OS), Salvador (#), Soudan (SG), (S.G.), & (AS), Tasmania (T.), & (OS), Transvaal (CS/AR), Tunis (T), Venezuela (GN), West Australia (WA), (OS), & (W/A), South Australia (SA) & (OS), and Switzerland (cross).

In addition to these Bill Cummings (LM-25) writes that I missed at least one pattern listed in the Scott Catalog. It is Bavaria (E).

Thanks for the continuing information about perfins cataloged in non-perfin literature.

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## THE MISSING LINK

BY PHILIP E. GEHRING

I am very new to the field of collecting perfins, having received my Catalog as a gift only last Christmas. I put it on my list since the Bulletin didn't make much sense to me.

I originally became interested in perfins as they occurred on precancels. I've been saving perf-initialed precancels for over ten years. Since Christmas I have been busy cataloging and identifying this accumulation.

This find, however, came from my other collecting interest -- Great Lakes ships on picture postcards. I purchased the illustrated card some time ago. It shows a nice view of a Great Lakes type of passenger ship. At the time I purchased the card, I noted that it formed a missing link between my collecting interests. I already had precancelled perfins and ship postcards with precancelled stamps, but here was a ship postcard with a perfin.

Only after I received my catalog did I realize that there was more to this cover than I had at first realized. The post card says that the ship pictured on the front was equipped with a triple expansion engine built by the Marine Iron Works, 7 Dominick St., Chicago. The company's specialty was marine machinery. The card, mailed from Chicago's Kinzie Station on April 7, 1909, was franked with a copy of Scott #331 with perfin M141 (MIW).

In the Catalog the pattern is A-rated and the user of the pattern is unidentified. Unfortunately some of the excitement was lost when the pattern was rerated "B", but at least here is a new identification!

While I am not interested in selling the card I would appreciate help in identifying the ship. (Philip E. Gehring, 275 Beeler Dr., Berea, OH 44017.)

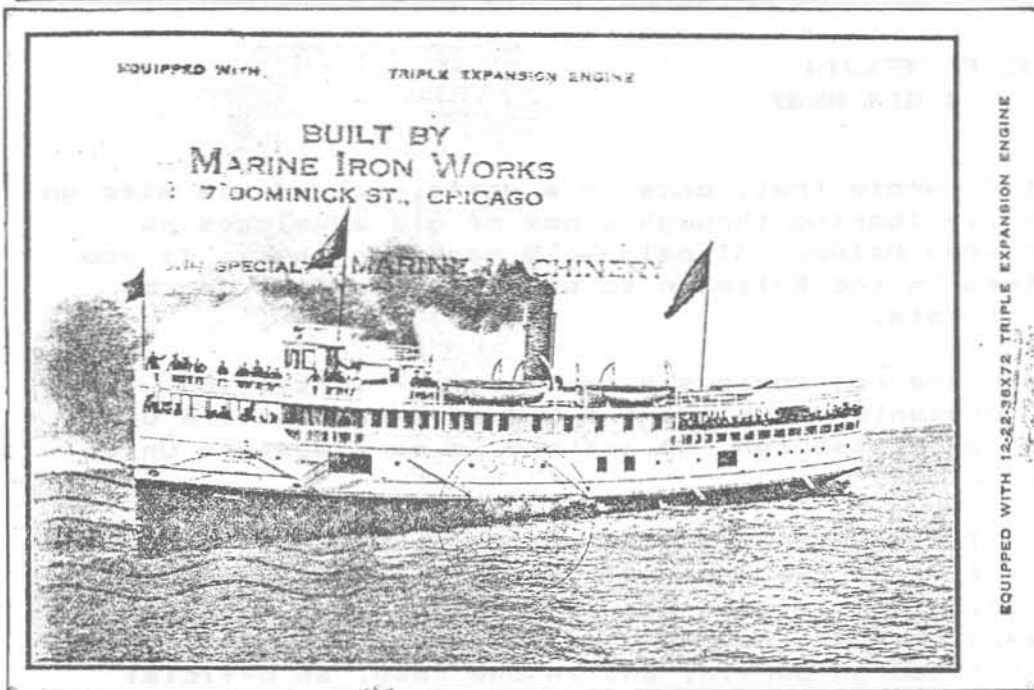
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## MAKING A PHOTOCOPIED CATALOG MORE USEFUL

Edward S. Hoyt (#292) writes that he has used a little trick to make use of photocopied catalogs somewhat easier.

As many of you know, copying a catalog will often give you a page with illustration on the left side, descriptive material on the right, and blank space on the back. If you wish to retain the original appearance of the catalog you now fold the pages in half so that the illustrations face the written material, and when all of the pages are done you staple the half size book at the back.

However, Ed suggests that before you staple the book together you take a straight edge and a razor blade (in a holder) and shave the left edge of each page. Now fold and staple. All of the right sides stick out farther than the left sides, so when you thumb through the book you will always open it to pages with information -- and not to the blank backs. (Incidentally, if you thumb through from the back all you will see is the blank backs.)



CHICAGO, ILL. APR 11 AM 1909

Private Mailing Card

U.S. POSTAGE

Capt. A. M. Arthur  
 Johnson P.O.  
 Owen Sound  
 Ont.

WHERE'S THE STAMPS?

Harry Rickard writes "A while ago, I returned a reply regarding some stamps sent to me for examination. I overlooked placing the stamps with the reply. Ever since then, I've been awaiting a letter asking for the return of the stamps. I'll be glad to do so, but I don't remember to whom they belong. Please write and describe the material and I'll send it along."

Fair enough! If you are the person described, and would like to have your stamps back, write Harry at 2163 Cumbre Place, El Cajon, CA 92020.

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## FLEA MARKET FUN

BY ELI M. BAUCHER

Eli M. Baucher (#2174) wrote that, once in a while, he and his wife go to flea markets. While looking through a box of old envelopes he found the two reproduced below. "I paid \$.25 each for them. If you want, you can put them in the Bulletin to show that perfins can be found even at flea markets."

The covers themselves are not obviously impressive -- until you realize what they represent. Both are franked with the Western Union perfin (W199-9) used at Pittsburgh, PA and one is on a Western Union Messenger Service envelope.

But wait a minute! The envelopes are cancelled at Savannah, GA. Both appear to be written by the same person; the return addressee, Mrs. J. E. Clancy, Jr. Both letters are addressed to her husband. On the surface it appears that Mr. Baucher has found an unauthorized use of Western Union's Pittsburgh perfin, and in one case, an official company envelope -- for personal correspondence between husband and wife. Naughty, naughty.

So go out to those flea markets!! And, thanks Eli for sharing your good fortune with the Club.

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## GETTING TO KNOW YOU -- R. K. LODHA

Last month we reported having accepted a new member from Kathmandu, Nepal. Rajesh Kumar Lodha, who is probably our most remote member, sent along an impressive listing of philatelic credentials when he applied.

Mr. Lodha is a member of the Indian Study Circle (London), Forschungsgemeinschaft Indien BdPh (West Germany), the American Philatelic Society, the American Revenue Association, and The Empire of India Philatelic Society (Bombay). He is a life member of the Nepal Philatelic Study Society (Khatmandu); Executive Committee Member of the Indian Stamp Dealers Association; and a Representative and member of both the Nepal and Tibet Study Circle (London) and the Burma Philatelic Study Circle (Canada). Mr. Lodha is a stamp dealer.

Secretary Ralph Smith reports that the cover which brought his application was a pleasant change. How many of you have a postally used cover from Nepal in your collection?

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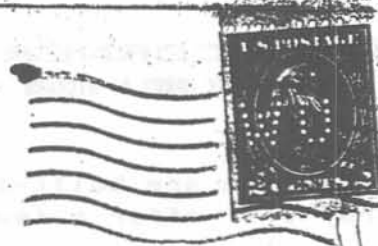
Bill Cummings (LM-25) has picked up on an important typo. In the January issue I inadvertently reported the Salvador set with perfins (page 7) as 0174-0202; this should have read 0147-0208. In the same letter Bill also reported my omission of the Bavarian "E" perfin listed in Scotts. Thanks Bill!

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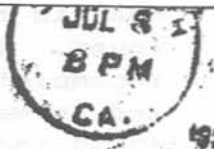


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*Atlanta*

*Spec Reply*      *7/5/22*



**NEED HELP WITH AN IDENTIFICATION...**

Ivan Ley writes that he needs help with an unusual item. It is a 1902 regular series stamp on which are pressed the initials "R.N." and two triangles (one above and one below the initials.) The thing which makes this item curious is that the periods after the R and the N are perforated through the stamp; making it appear to be a perfin. Is this some sort of perfin created before perforators were available here?

▼  
R.N.  
▲

Anyone having information about this item please write Ivan H. Ley at Arena, WI 53503. (That's all the address you need.)

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## BEGINNER'S CORNER

BY HARRY A. RICKARD

Wonderment and caution are built-ins for new perfins collectors. To ease your journey I'll offer a few more suggestions this month.

The January Bulletin had a complete Library list. Make good use of it to order a series of earlier Bulletins. You'll learn what has happened and what you have missed. You'll also learn a lot in general about this new hobby of yours.

With perfins the old "don't buy a straight-edged stamp" taboo doesn't hold. Nor does the heavy cancel phobia -- unless it affects the readability of the perfin by bleeding through the stamp and affecting the BACK of the stamp.

Perfin collectors ARE careful about purchasing incomplete patterns of the perfin itself. The missing hole perfin (created either by breakage of some perforator pins, or when the perfin was applied too near to the edge of the stamp) will often do until a better copy is found. Indeed, some of the scarce patterns are known only from incomplete patterns. However, these stamps rarely command a premium, and normally are considered defective and LESS valuable than rating would indicate.

Learn to read backwards! That is the way that most perfins are read. They are most commonly punched with the stamps face up on the perforator. Identifying these patterns from the back will cause the letters to appear backwards. In some cases sheets are folded before being perforated and these sheets will result in stamps which read both backwards and frontwards -- but these tend to be less common.

There are several mirror image letters, and several complicated patterns can be read either frontwards or backwards. Letters involved in this problem include; A, H, I, M, O, T, U, V, W, X, Y, O, 1, and 8. For the purposes of determining which is the correct sequence of characters in a mirror pattern, begin by assuming that the lowest alphabetic character will be the one under which the pattern is reported. Thus if you have a pattern TOH, begin looking under the H's in the catalog. If the user's company name began with an H OR if the user is unknown, the pattern should be found under H. If, however, the pattern is not found under H then try under T. Commonly in foreign catalogs -- less so in the US catalog -- the pattern is filed by users name. When this happens, T could become the appropriate place to look. Try both ways to make sure of pattern identification.

In addition, look-alike patterns need to be considered to make sure of the proper identification. Learning the fundamentals of perf position at an early stage can lead to the discovery of new varieties which turn up in unexpected places.

No one stays a beginner long. Collecting C rated patterns (or higher valued ones) will lead to greater fun. But how do you determine fair market price for an item? Check the prices from previous auctions being careful to note the Scott number of the stamp. There are specialty items such as 319, 479, and most of the C, E, and Q numbers

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which draw premium price because of the stamp. Look for trends of "normal" stamps, rather than the value of a specific item. Values within a given rating (C, B, or A) generally reflect the scarcity of an item -- but not always!

Club auctions offer a variety of material -- from singles to packets, US or foreign. Two sales are held each year; one in the spring and one in the fall. The results of the auction will be found in the Bulletin or are available from the Club Library as CF-1, "Auction Lists and Prices Realized."

And so we have come full circle in this article, beginning and ending at the Library. READ!! It is the only way to become a knowledgeable collector. The Club Librarian, B. L. "Tim" Timmerman, can be contacted at 1606 Britney Dr., Sherwood, AR 72116. The Club asks that the user pay postage both from and back to Tim (usually by including uncancelled stamps in the return package). And remember, please, Tim is a volunteer with a full time job; don't fret if it takes slightly longer than you think it should to get a piece of literature.

Questions, comments, and suggestions about this article should be addressed to Harry Rickard, 2163 Cumbre Place, El Cajon, CA 92020.

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## BOOK REVIEW

BY B. L. TINNEMAN

THE HANDBOOK OF BRITISH PERFINs by John S. Nelson

2nd Edition, published 1983 by the Security Endorsement and Perfin Society of Great Britain (S.E.P.S.)

Card cover, 6" x 8 3/4", 32 p. Very well illustrated.

Only two general handbooks on British perfin have ever been published: "British stamps perforated with firms initials" by F. H. Valency, which has been out of print since the late 1940's, and John Nelson's book which has been out of print since 1967. Both of these books are in constant demand from new recruits to perfin collecting, and so S. E. P. S. decided to again make them available by means of a reprint. Unfortunately, the the holder of the copyright to the Valency book could not be located, but John Nelson, S. E. P. S. President, willingly permitted the Society to reprint his handbook.

The method of perforating postage stamps with initials or designs to prevent theft was invented in England by Joseph Sloper in the 1860's. Full details of his battles with the General Post Office establishment, to obtain permission to use his invention, are presented by means of copies of his letters and the G. P. O. replies. This is followed by a brief history of Sloper and his competitors during the 19th century. The remainder of the book is dedicated to illustrations of about 150 of the most interesting British perfin, and includes notes and anecdotes about these patterns.

Copies of this book are available from: L.H. Hartmann, Box 36006, Louisville, Kentucky 40233. They are priced at \$5.00 each, postpaid.

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## REVIEW -- THE PERFINNIST #8 AND #9

BY PAUL A. MISTRETTA

I have received two volumes of The Perfinnist from Peter Engelbrecht. This publication is produced by Peter to present information about Danish perfins to interested collectors. It is written with Danish and English text to permit a significantly larger audience.

Number 8; published May 5, 1983; 12p.

Contains five articles or lists which include: 1) Corrections to the Ostergaard list; 2) an illustrated discussion of perforator deterioration; 3) a discussion of perfins from registration machines; 4) the second half of a chronological listing of perfin permits issued by the PMG's office; and, 5) brief notes from Peter.

Number 9; published Jan. 1984; 8p. + a 16p appendix.

The main body of this number contains two articles: 1) about a machine designed to perfin revenue stamps; and, 2) the first set of additions and corrections to the catalog of Danish perfins produced by Peter and reviewed in the March Bulletin. The 16 page appendix presents the first pages for Part 1 of Peter's catalog. These pages include the cover sheet, index, and introduction (8p.), a cross reference of Ostergaard to Engelbrecht numbers, and a cross reference listing of Danish perfins by province and town in which they were used. Also included with The Perfinnist no. 9 is a registration form to include your name in an exchange group (Danish perfins) which Peter is forming.

The Perfinnist has consistently presented useful information about Danish perfins. However, with the beginning of publication of Part 1 of Peter's catalog, it has become indispensable to the collector of the perfins of Denmark.

The Perfinnist is available from Peter Engelbrecht, Bogelundvej 23, DK 5464, Brenderup Fyn, Denmark. Numbers 9 and 10 (which was expected to be available for distribution by the end of April) are \$5. Contact Peter for information about earlier issues of this bulletin.

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### SEND IT TO THE EDITOR

With the recent splitting of the Editor/Publisher responsibilities (previously performed by Floyd Walker) some confusion has resulted. One or two items "to be included in the Bulletin" have been sent to Ron Kunavich (our Publisher), and were thereby delayed. Especially with items about events happening in the near future, sending them to California to reach me in Louisiana is definitely the long way around.

Information to be included in the Bulletin should be sent to me (Paul Mistretta, 326 Choctaw Dr., Pineville, LA 71360).

One other note along this line -- dues payments should be sent to the Club Secretary Ralph Smith (address on next page). He will see to it that the checks for dues get to the Treasurer. Thanks!

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# THE SECRETARY'S REPORT

THE SECRETARY IS RALPH W. SMITH, RRI BOX 5645, DRYDEN, ME 04225

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## NEW MEMBERS

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- 2302 Podwell, Richard T., PO Box 8, Cardiff, MD 21024  
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to answer Official Correspondence.

## MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY

Members as of Jan. 31, 1984	832
New Members	+ 6
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Expelled	- 1
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Members as of Feb. 29, 1984	838

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Note that dues are coming due. The official due date is July 1, but payment now while you remember saves problems later. Prompt payment also saves the Club money and Ralph Smith a lot of time. The dues are currently \$5.00 US and Canada, and \$7.00 overseas (in US funds). Thanks for your prompt payment to Ralph Smith (address above).

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I have received a box of Catalog/Album pages from Dr. Harvey G. Tilles which contained some copies of his "Perfins of the Middle East". They are available to members for \$1.00 postage & handling per copy from Ralph W. Smith.

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### \$5,000 RED DOCUMENTARY PERFIN

William Brown (#1912), our Canadian representative, has submitted a couple of articles from Linn's having to do with perfins. One of these articles should be of general interest, and I have written for permission to reprint.

The second article is from Richard Freidberg's column "U.S. Revenues" on page 26 of the February 13, 1984 issue of Linn's. The article entitled "Number of \$5,000 red dated docs tallied" reports on a very specialized group of US Revenue stamps; the \$5,000 red documentary stamps cancelled between 1952 and 1958. These stamps, Scott numbered R618, R652, R686, R695, R7004, R713, and R722 for the years 1952 - 1958 respectively, are relatively rare with a cumulative total of only 39 known. Only a single copy of R695 was reported, while only 11 copies of the most common (R713) are known. The reason for our interest is that the illustration accompanying the article shows a copy of R713 -- perfinned! Cancelling by perfinning revenue stamps was a common practice for many companies. Stamps so treated are normally considered "damaged" by purists. But with only 11 copies of the stamp known, I'll bet the perfin doesn't harm the value of that stamp.

Thanks again to Mr. William Brown for locating this information.

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## THE DES ARC. MO. COVER STORY

BY HARRY RICKARD

One of the big thrills of stamp collecting is locating previously unknown old covers. This note is about such a recent find; covers primarily from the 1910-1926 period. I was only a secondary participant.

In the town of Des Arc, Mo., the firm of Graves and Stamp operated a retail business, selling general merchandise ranging from clothing and wallpaper to roofing and axe handles.

The resultant broad array of correspondence created a tremendous potential for cover collectors. Fortunately, one member of the firm (undoubtedly Mr. Stamp) was a "saver". All envelopes (or at least a large number of them) were saved, generally with letters and invoices tucked inside.

During 1980 one of Mr. Stamp's grandsons approached an acquaintance of mine, asking if he might be interested in some old covers. The seller, aware of the possibility of desirable material, would only release the material piece-meal, thereby building both the tension and the price.

The buyer was required to purchase all covers, not pick and choose (which would leave the undesirables). Having no outlet for perfinned materials, the buyer worked with a friend who, fortunately, contacted me to find out if I was interested in the material.

Initially through pictures, and later the actual covers, we reached a satisfactory agreement.

I have been using some of the gems in my exhibits. Through these covers, some needed information has been obtained both as to the identity of, and the relationship between, several firms of that period. I plan to share some of this information on the following pages and in upcoming Bulletins.

# FRED KAUFMAN MANN

## THE AMERICAN TAILOR

### CHICAGO ILL.



JACKSON BOULEVARD AT GREEN STREET  
 THE HOUSE BEHIND THE MOST  
 PERFECT TAILORING UNDER THE SUN.

Graves & Stamp,  
 Des Arc,  
 Mo.



Fred Kaufman probably portrayed his personality in the things he did. It is reflected in the words -- The American Tailor -- on the cover, in his having the building and printing all done in green (because he was located at the corner of Green St.), and in the choice of a horseshoe to grace his perforated stamps.

A horseshoe was a symbol of good luck at one time. Many homes had them fastened above a door, inside and out. He was truly an individualist.

Until this cover was found, the user of DES27 was unknown. Des27A is listed for Metropolitan Tailors, which I believe to be one of Fred Kaufman's operations.

As I will show on subsequent covers, tailoring firms operated under several names, offering different brands.

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**Tailors to the Trade**  
**Importers and Jobbers of Woolens**  
**186 to 196 Quincy St. Chicago.**

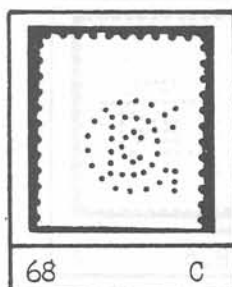


Graves & Stamp,



Des Arc,

Mo.



The previous (Fred Kaufman Tailoring) cover was mailed March 12, 1910 from Chicago. This Dixie Tailoring cover is from March 15, 1915.

Note the G68 perfin on the cover. The catalog shows Garden City Tailoring of Cincinnati as the user of the G68 pattern. The D in this perfin apparently represents Dixie Tailoring.

So we have a single perfin in use by at least two tailoring firms, which suggests common ownership. (What is the relationship of The Chicago Tailoring Company listed under Supplemental Information in the catalog to these two companies?)

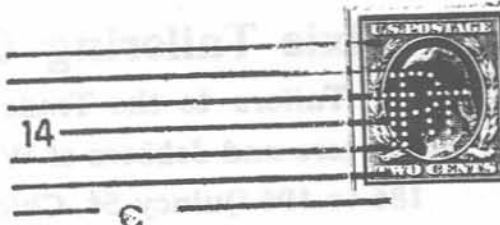
G68 has been verified by cover from Cincinnati, this cover verifies Chicago usage by Dixie Tailoring. Were there two perforators in use or were the stamps mailed from one location to the other?

Who can give the year of usage in Cincinnati?

The next cover will also show a multiple usage by one person or firm. Also a mystery.



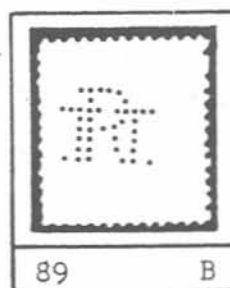
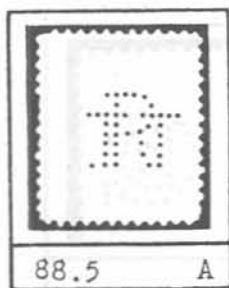
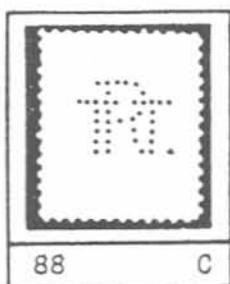
DANFORTH MILLS CO.  
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Messrs. Graves & Stamp,  
Des Arc, Mo.



Danforth Mills  
T87



As on the first cover we have a 1910 usage.

The Danforth Mills used an odd brand name "Crack-a-Jack". Might it have been chosen for its similarity to the popular confection of the period, Cracker Jack, which is still marketed?

The cover bears perfin T87. The catalog also shows three other similar designs, each having control hole(s). Each of these three is credited to The Royal Tailors, whose initials match the pattern.

The location for users of the designs bearing control holes have not been verified. It is unlikely that they will be found with Chicago usage.

It is possible that Danforth Mills bought out The Royal Tailors and subsequently used their perforator on Chicago mailings, such as the above.

A brief period of usage would account for the scarcity of the T88.5 pattern and the relative scarcity of the others. Incidentally, the T88.5 was reported in only two collections in the 1981 survey (both copies on Scott #332).

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## ADS

Bob Foley (#1340) will give B and C rated perfins for perfins which he needs on the following US stamps; Scott # 619, 621, 647, 648, 733, 1026, 1108, 1140, 1163, 1178, 1204, 1268, 1308, C4, C22, C48, C52, C56, C59, C62, C66, C67, C75, C76, C77, C80, and C81. No personal perfins please. Bob can be reached at 9 Haig Pl., Apt. 604, Dunedin, FL 33528.

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Daniel Howell (#2138) writes with two different requests. He is a LA/CO employee and would like to gather stamps with and information about US patterns L14, L15, and L16. Among other things he would like to know the time period and issues on which each of these patterns is known.

Mr. Howell is also interested in philatelic perfins and perfins of the American Appraisal Company. He can be reached at 900 Exposition Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90007.

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For sale to the highest bidder!! Remnant of a US perfin collection mounted on old catalog pages; 4 C's, 320 D's, 432 E's, 45 F's, 12 unrated, and 25 airs/special delivery. Reserve bid \$20. Send bids to Robert J. Schwerdt, 9 Memory Lane, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603.

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NOW'S YOUR CHANCE: I'm an experienced collector beginning a general collection of US perfins. I'm trying to get all patterns on all stamps, and I need virtually everything. Bundle up those common duplicates and send them to me to pick through at 5 cents each keeper, or suggest a price for the whole lot. Multiples (blocks and large units) especially wanted. Also, anyone interested in a heavily duplicated lot of B&O patterns drop me a note. Ed Denson, PO Box 158, Alderpoint, CA 95411.

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Elsewhere in this issue our Librarian B. L. "Tim" Timmerman (LM-93) has presented a checklist of perfins on US #573. Tim is always willing to trade duplicates and will buy patterns on #573. He has a US wantlist which he will send to members interested in trading, and will also trade foreign with anyone interested.

Tim is also interested in doing several other checklists but will need help in developing the information. Checklists which he would like to develop -- with help!! -- include perfins on the Pan Pacific Issue and perfins on c1 through C6.

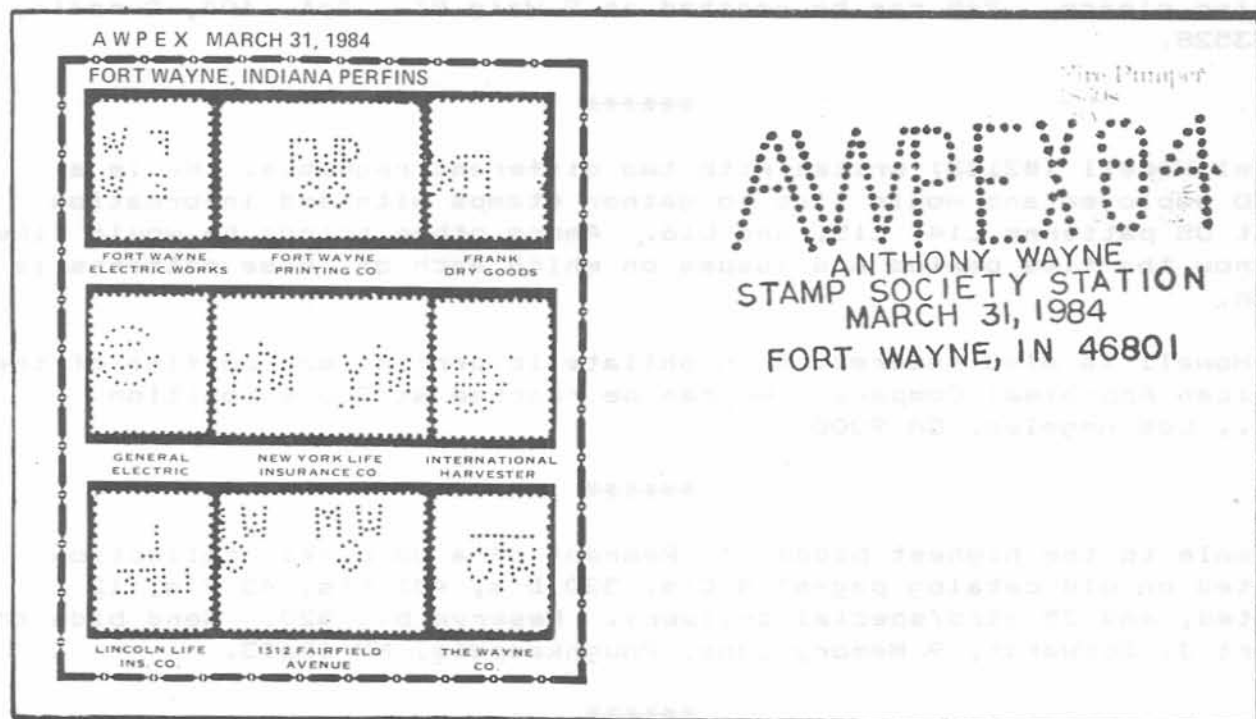
Anyone interested in trading or selling perfins, or sharing information to compile the suggested checklists can reach him at 1606 Britney Dr., Sherwood, AR 72116.



NICE JOB!!

BGA

Congratulations are due to Club member Jerry R. Freeze (#1986) for designing the cachet used recently by the Anthony Wayne Stamp Society. Reproduced below, this cachet shows perfins used by Fort Wayne businesses. Nice job Jerry!!



Thanks to Edward S. Hoyt (#292) for bringing this cover to my attention. (If any are still available they can be purchased from the Anthony Wayne Stamp Society, Box 10504, Fort Wayne, IN. 46852 -- \$.75 ea. or 3/\$.2, plus a #10 SASE.)

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## A CAVE IN CEYLON

Did you see the recent article in Jim Czul's "Cinderella Scene" in Linns? This article "'Cave' overprints kept employees honest" (p.40; 2/27/84) talked about the seven known patterns of overprint used by Cave and Co. Ltd., Colombo, Ceylon. The company sold books and stationary, and operated a print shop; they also imported music, musical instruments, and billiards tables and accessories.

The Cave overprint was used to discourage employee theft of company stamps. It also protected the company from losing stamped material to unscrupulous "runners" who carried mail to the post office. These runners often destroyed the mailed material in order to "recycle" the stamps. The overprint can be found on stamps of Ceylon issued from 1884 to 1908.

In 1908 the overprint was superceded by a perfin ('CAVE').



## Perfins On "AMERICA"

"AMERICA", from photograph of replica of Statue of Freedom surmounting the United States Capitol.

This is the only stamp of the series of regular issues of 1922-23 printed in two colors. The central design is printed in blue ink with the border design printed in red. The \$5.00 America was placed on sale March 20, 1923 at Washington, D.C.. The Scott Catalog No. is 573.

The following is a checklist of PERFINS I have in my collection on the \$5.00 America..

Cat No.	Pattern	Cat No.	Pattern	Cat No.	Pattern
C		G		S	
149	C(H)	172	GT	103	SDT
211	CNB				
219	CNB	H		T	
229	C/NB	131	HNB	81	TRAV
417	C(3)	189	HT		
				U	
E		M		100	UTC
69	ELI	184	MNB		
		259	MTC	W	
F				69	W.D/CO
27	FAR	N		92	WF/U
126	FNB	145.5	NS/BK		
153	FP/L	206	NYT/CO	NUMERALS	
161	F/RB			12	2B
164	FRB/K	P			
171	FRB/SL	151	P/NB	DESIGNS	
172	FRB/SP	152	P/NB	6	Shield
		R			
		110	RNA		

Members who have Perfins on the \$5.00 AMERICA, Scott #573 are urged to contact B. L. Timmerman, 1606 Britney Drive, Sherwood, Arkansas 72116.

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The following article appeared in Windmill Whispers, the bulletin of the Windmill Study Unit of the American Topical Association. It was written by their Editor C. Jean Kilmer (PC #2287) based on information given to him by Mr. James Lunney, Secretary-Treasurer of the Study Unit. It appeared on pages 9 & 10 of the Jan./Feb. 1984 issue.

Thanks to Mr. Kilmer for his permission to reprint this article. And thanks to both Bob Schwerdt (#505) and a second Club member (whose name I have carelessly misplaced) for sending copies of this article to my attention.

Readers should note that in the body of the following article membership numbers refer to the Windmill Study Unit (not to the Perfins Club), as also do officers names and titles (including President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, and Editor, or Ed.). -- No Virginia, the Perfins Club does not have a new slate of officers!!!

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### A POSSIBLE FORGERY

BY C. JEAN KILMER

Please BE WARNED of a possible forgery among us! All of us have yearned for a windmill "Perfin" to fill a place in our collections. The current on-going price of such a stamp (when one is found!) -- is in the neighborhood of \$15 to \$20 U.S. each! Not only do we windmill collectors look for them, but some nearly 800 active members of The Perfins Club, an organization devoted to specifically collecting perfins only, wish to have this stamp grace their collections as well!

According to writings of (our now president) Wim Bosman (#34), published in WINDMILL WHISPERS ISSUE Vol. III, No. 1, p. 3, "In the Netherlands one firm has used a perfin showing a windmill, being the "Eerst Nederlandse Coop. Kunstmest Fabriek" (First Dutch Cooperative Factory of Fertilizers at Vlaardingen) now called Windmill Holland B.V., which still uses a windmill as emblem even for some time on a kind of prepayment-cancel (in use by big firms to prepay without stamps), which is rated as real philatelic matter over here (Netherlands). Unfortunately, the firm has no copies left of either the cancel or the perfin: the latter being not so strange, as it was used in 1932! In any case, the conclusion may be that this firm has used the windmill emblem already for over 40 years now." (No further definitive materials have been published in W/W since. -- Ed.)

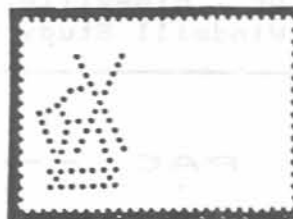
According to James E. Lunney (#101) our Secretary-Treasurer, who "discovered" this forgery possibility, ".....the case of this "modern" perfin, which is about all we can call it at this point, considering our lack of evidence at this time (that it is really a fake), the clue is its denomination; prior to 1978, Dutch semi-postal stamps had much lower denominations! I hope the man from whom I purchased it recently will let me know where he bought it; I think it came from a Perfin Club Auction, and that's why I think we all should be alerted. It seems a shame that such a desirable item should be so exploited -- if such be the case!

My original copy (also shown above) is the 6c Netherlands Sc. #173,

and the perforation measures 12 1/2, which authenticates it, according to Scott's. If you will notice, also, the "new" windmill perforation, although exactly similar, has been perforated from the wrong side of the stamp -- it is turned backward! The figures on the "new" stamp, three children dancing, two with crowns on their heads and the other one holding a crown in his hand, and the denomination (70+30c) indicating it is a semi-postal issue, and the fact that it seems strange that any company would find it necessary to "protect" such a stamp with its perforation or "brand" of its own since the stamp is used for not only regular postage, but takes a charity or surtax excess of regular postage. (ref. "Sutton's Stamp Collectors Encyclopedia" -- Ed.) Since the 1984 Scott's Catalog does not show any new Netherlands semi-postals issued after the year date of Nov. 16, 1982, by which this stamp can be identified, until this stamp can be actually identified with a modern Dutch Company, it must be assumed to be a forged perfin!

Our Vice-Pres., Don Muggeridge (#53), is continuing to research this matter and any further information available from the membership or anyone else, for that matter, will be much appreciated. Forward such information you may have to Don Muggeridge, Jim Lunney or your Editor, and we will see that it is given out as quickly as possible.

In the meantime, if you wish to purchase one of these "new" perfins, finding such an one available, do so with the knowledge that it MAY BE A FORGERY!--(until you are better informed!)



(STOP THE PRESSES!! Later info. just received!)

dateline, Midland, Texas, Feb. 9, 1984:

"I had a telephone call from Vice-President Donald last night, and he has identified the stamp on the "modern" perfin! He found it in Scott's Monthly Journal in the "new issues" and it is marked Scott B599, the 1983 Christmas issue with the surcharge for child welfare. The issue date was Nov. 16, 1983, so it is less than three months old! This gives continued suspicion that someone out there is actively engaged in applying this perfin right now; and will presumably continue to do so.

Perhaps some of our Dutch members can check with Windmill Holland B.V., at Zoardinggen to see if they have revived the device.

By the way, my "original" perfin seems to be authenticated, since "INGEN" is clearly visible in the cancellation"

-- Jim Lunney, #101

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Editors Notes: The above article refers to the possibility of "forgery" of the Dutch windmill perfin. Overlaying the copy of the "new" pattern on the copy of the old pattern indicates that they were made by the same machine -- or by a superb duplicate. Only if the latter situation (a newly fabricated machine) has occurred can this

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item be truly called a forgery.

The degree of similarity of the old and new perfin suggests that the original perforator has been resurrected. If this is the case it will not be the first time that philatelic use of a perforator has occurred -- remember the recent "forged" Canadian OH/MS perfins which were indistinguishable from the "genuine" ones?

Reference to the van Oudenalder article in last months Bulletin would indicate that the use of this perfin would have to be done using a pre-1970 postal license, since the issuance of new permits was discontinued in that year by the Dutch postal authority.

Two questions do arise from this article, however. First, has the company (or a private individual) reactivated this perforator? And, do the old perfins come facing only in one direction, or were perfins produced from folded sheets -- thus facing either right or left?

One good thing about dating the Dutch stamp on which this perfin was found -- Jack Gooding and the Perfins Club auction are DEFINITELY NOT the source of this item as suggested in the article!!

If you have any information about this perfin write me at 326 Choctaw Dr., Pineville, LA 71360. I will pass the information on to the Windmill Study Unit -- and will include it in the Bulletin -- PAM.

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## PAC -- PRUDENTIAL OR PEARL

BY DR. R. W. POWELL



PAC

Fig. 1



PAC

Fig. 2

All collectors of the perfins of Great Britain know the pattern "PAC". The latest catalog-album by Robert McKee and Basil Thomkins shows nine different dies for this pattern and each is attributed to the Prudential Assurance Company Ltd. A tenth pattern is found on the larger sized Elizabethian high values. PAC usage began in the late Victorian era, my earliest is on a one penny lilac postmarked May 27, 1899 (illustrated as Fig. 1).

In February of this year I acquired a cover which suggests a change to at least one of the PAC entries. The stamp franking the cover is a King George V, 1 1/2d, block watermarked stamp (Scott 189) with a London postmark of Apr. 9, 1932. The perfin shown in Figure 2 is one of the nine -- yet the return address printed on the flap of the envelope is for the "Pearl Assurance Company Ltd., High Holborn, London, W.C.1."

The question arises, is there a relationship between the Pearl Assurance Co. and the Prudential Assurance Co., or is a change needed in the catalog?

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## THE SECRETARY'S REPORT

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ALL MEMBERSHIP BUSINESS should be addressed to Ralph W. Smith, Secretary; RR1 Box 5645, Dryden, ME 04425.

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## A NEW ENGLAND OPPORTUNITY

A note from Bob Jones (#2227) states that he has gotten approval to have a booth for the Perfins Club at the fall stamp show in Boston. This appears to be a great opportunity to get together with others who share our like for "damaged" stamps. Bob will be trying to contact the Club members in the New England area to get help in manning the booth on Saturday and Sunday. Save him some effort -- VOLUNTEER!!! Those able to participate contact Bob (Robert C. Jones) at 8 Beach Street, Brockton, MA 02402.

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## CLUB PLANS BOSTON MEETING

PHILATELIC SHOW '84 has been designated by the Executive Committee as this year's "official" meeting place. The show will be held October 12-14, 1984 at the Plaza Castle Hotel in Boston. This is the first get together east of the Mississippi since VAPEX in 1978 so, in the words of one of our most recognizable current TV stars, BE THERE!!!

Bob Jones (#2227) has been designated Club Representative to the Show Committee. He is continuing his efforts to get perfinners from the Northeast together there. The Club will hold a meeting at the Show (day still not decided). President Dick Mewhinney and Secretary Ralph Smith -- at least -- expect to be in attendance.

The Club will present an award for the best exhibit of perfins submitted by a member. A second award will be presented if three or more Perfins exhibits are shown. In order to encourage exhibitors a copy of the prospectus and the exhibit entry form are presented later in this Bulletin. Get an exhibit together and share our fun with the rest of the collecting world!!

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## NOMINATING COMMITTEE NAMED

Edward Ford (#1192) has been named chairman of the nominating committee. Also named to the committee are Jim Harris (LM1) and John Suffka (LM56). This committee is charged with the nomination of persons eligible for the Presidency of the Club. It is expected that Dick Mewhinney will accept nomination for another term as President. Members who wish to be considered for this office should contact Edward Ford at 4 Whitlock Ave., Bethel, CT 06801.

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## HALLOCK CARD AWARD COMMITTEE NAMED

Rudy Roy (#1124), last year's Hallock Award winner, is this year's Hallock Card Award committee chairman. Named to serve with Rudy are Jack Gooding (#897) and Floyd Walker (#849), both also winners of this honor. The Hallock Card Award is presented annually to one member (or once to a married couple) of the Club in recognition of significant contributions to the Club and to the hobby of perfins philately. If you would like to nominate someone for this honor contact R. J. Roy, Jr. at P.O. Box 5367, Virginia Beach, VA 23456.



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## OUR READERS WRITE . . .

John Needham (LM41) has written commenting on "Scott and Perfins" in the January 1984 Bulletin.

"One of the items ... mentioned in Scott is a special printing of a Spanish stamp that is only known with the B.H.A. (Banco-Hispano-Americano) perfin... a note after Spain #309 on this one..."

"There are many mentions of perfins in the Michel Specialized. Some are cataloged in fair detail. There are lists of the POL's on various issues with a breakdown into four groups of towns. This listing isn't really very good as you can't really see the differences in the dies from the scanty info provided."

"The German FM official is mentioned along with the LU/POST/A perfin. The quantity that were perfined is given for the latter. I think I also recall some mention of the private perfins of companies that were nationalized (C.Z., J.P., etc.)"

"Bavaria has listings of four or five of the semi-official perfins and most are priced. Some of the values in the sets are hard to come by."

"The Venezuela G.N. used to be cataloged in Sanabria and others. Not sure if this is still the case."

"... Michel actually added the crossed hammers perfins after (I bought) my last copy of the Deutschland-Spezial..."

John goes on to make a very instructive point: "Unfortunately, the worst thing that can happen to perfinners is to have priced catalog recognition. This gives the perfin an aura of respectability among the non-collectors and immediately places dollar signs on the material they might run into."

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Ed. note -- As John says, the Spanish item mentioned (a color variety of Scott #307) cataloged at \$1250 in my 1982 Scott catalog. Similar inflated prices are placed on many of the specialty items from our specialty area which appear in formal catalogs.

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Mr. W. T. Brown (#1912), our Canadian representative, reports finding a Canadian W8 with an 1887 cancel. The cancel is light and on a 3c red. This predates the earliest previously reported usage (Oct 17, 1889) by a full two years.

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# SUN LIFE OF CANADA PERFINNS

## LIST OF AGENCIES WITH PERFORATORS

BY CONRAD N. TREMBLAY

### INTRODUCTION

In this article I limit myself to tips, differences and facts which show the differences in some of the perforators used by the Sun Life Company in Canada. I will not discuss the historic side (either development or spread) of this insurance company in Canada. The single goal of the following information is to help you get started sorting some of your own Sun Life perfins; and to help you get more enjoyment out of this great specialty.

I have been studying this pattern for the past 18 months and it was by no means easy to find ways to identify them for this new classification. It was necessary to pay close attention to postmarks to determine the city of origin of the specific Sun Life agency that perfinned the stamps during the period studied.

So far I have contact printed almost 10,000 stamps to check the hole positions and to make it easier to compare the patterns. This process helped me to spot an infinite number of differences that characterize each of the perforators used in various cities. Without the photos it would have been impossible for me to pursue such a detailed study of a pattern with 63 holes. The pictures are permanent documents that you can handle without damaging the stamps. You can look at them over and over, make accurate measurements with a 40X microscope (if you own one), and use the built in scale to measure in thousandths of an inch.

Of the stamps photographed, 7,000 came from a dealer. He got them from a former Sun Life employee who worked at the head office of the company (formerly Montreal, recently moved to Toronto). All Sun Life agencies throughout Canada had to send reports to this office, and were also required to routinely forward all kinds of documents there. That accumulation of stamps covered a five year period. They are (in varying quantities) as follows (Scott Catalog Numbers): 175, 190, 192, 195, 196, 197, 197b (die 1), 198, 199 and 200.

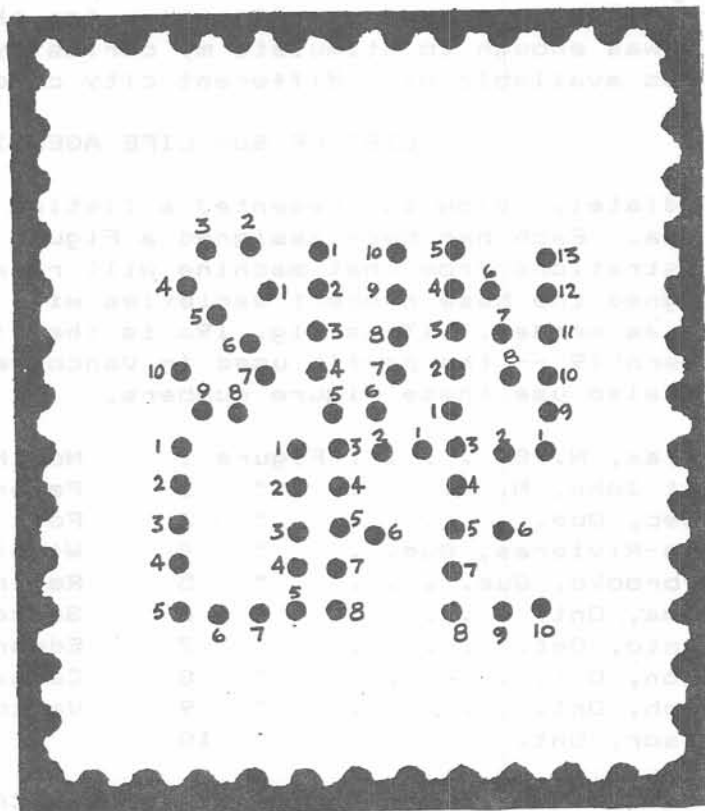


Figure A

## HOW IT ALL STARTED

Jean-Guy Dalpe (a friend) learned that the above-mentioned dealer had the accumulation of Sun Life perfins. That was all I needed! I went with him, and we bought several of each issue, selecting (at first) only the most readable city cancels in sufficient numbers of each of the eight positions to satisfy our collections and our exchange partners. Jean-Guy had previously noticed a low pin in the top "S" of a perfin with a Vancouver cancel on the stamp (hole S2 - fig. 19a). He reported it to our president Jon and also published a note in the Perforator Vol. 2, No. 7, August 1981. He asked if others in the study group had noticed the same variety. Jon also had perfins with the low pin in the S, but had no explanation for the variety at that time. This was enough to stimulate my curiosity -- especially with so many stamps available with different city cancels from coast to coast.



Fig. 19a

## LIST OF SUN LIFE AGENCIES IN CANADA

Immediately below is presented a listing of the Sun Life agencies in Canada. Each has been assigned a Figure number to which all illustrations from that machine will refer. The basic pattern will be assigned the base number; varieties will be designated "a", "b", "c", etc. as needed. (Thus fig. 19a is the first discussed variety of pattern 19 -- the perfin used in Vancouver, BC.) Cancels discussed will also use these Figure numbers.

Halifax, N. S. . . . .	Figure 1	North Bay, Ont. . . . .	Figure 11
Saint John, N. B. . . . .	" 2	Peterboro, Ont. . . . .	" 12
Quebec, Que. . . . .	" 3	Fort Williams, Ont. . . . .	" 13
Trois-Rivieres, Que. . . . .	" 4	Winnipeg, Man. . . . .	" 14
Sherbrooke, Que. . . . .	" 5	Regina, Sask. . . . .	" 15
Ottawa, Ont. . . . .	" 6	Saskatoon, Sask. . . . .	" 16
Toronto, Ont. . . . .	" 7	Edmonton, Alta. . . . .	" 17
London, Ont. . . . .	" 8	Calgary, Alta. . . . .	" 18
Guelph, Ont. . . . .	" 9	Vancouver, B. C. . . . .	" 19
Windsor, Ont. . . . .	" 10		

## EASY IDENTIFICATIONS

Figure 19a is from the number 1 position of a 5-die perforator located at the Vancouver office. (Position 1 is the leftmost position produced by a multiple head perforator where the perfin is readable (right side up).) From all of the Vancouver cancelled stamps I have seen this low pin occurs on an average of one out of every five stamps. This variety has not been seen cancelled in any city other than Vancouver and this establishes it as a die exclusively used in Vancouver. All of the Vancouver perfins are found in the A position, with rare copies in the C position. So far I have only found a single copy punched in the F position (using the old classification).

<Editors note. Canadian perfins have traditionally been more closely reported with reference to position of the perfin than have US patterns. See the Beginners Corner later in this issue for a fuller explanation of the meanings of positions etc. used in this article.>

Figure 3a (from Quebec) shows a constant pin missing in the middle bar of the E (hole E6). This variety is found about once in five stamps with the Quebec cancel, confirming the existence of a five die perforator in that city. This E variety is from the middle punch (die 3) of the perforator and has not been found with any other cancel. The earliest stamp found with the missing pin is #107 in the Admiral Series.



Fig. 3a



Fig. 14a Fig. 14b

Figures 14a and 14b are from the Winnipeg office. Here again, each of these dies is seen about once in five stamps, proving the existence of a 5-die machine in the Winnipeg office. In fig. 14a the pins missing are N2 and E5. The 14b variety from Winnipeg shows a high U6 hole, making a wide gap between that hole and the F2 hole; the bottom of the U goes uphill

instead of being almost horizontal.

Halifax (fig. 1a) is one of the easier ones to identify. Almost all of the perfins found with the Halifax cancel are punched sideways, though rare exceptions are found punched upright. Compare fig. 1a with fig. 19b which is a Vancouver incomplete perfin punched in the A position. Notice the totally different appearance of these two figures. These incomplete perfins were the result of too many sheets of stamps being punched at once. The shorter pins do not completely perforate the stamps, leaving either blind perforations or no perforation mark at all. Only one other office (Quebec) punched stamps sideways, but in relatively small quantities compared to Halifax. These latter stamps are found only with a Quebec cancel, on stamps #175, 190, 198, 199 and 200, and all are complete (except for the variety shown in fig. 19a -- stamps with a missing pin in the E.)



Fig. 1a



Fig. 19b

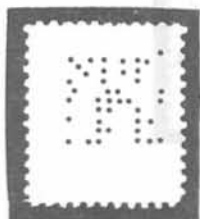


Fig. 15a

Almost half of the perfins from Regina (fig. 15a) have blind or missing perforations. This is the only other town besides the ones mentioned above to have incomplete designs. These show a different picture; they are easily readable if compared to the average Halifax or Vancouver punches. Regina punches are found in the A and C positions, C's representing about one third of all perfins from that city.

#### ODDS AND ENDS ON OTHER CITIES

Figure 8 (London), figure 9 (Guelph) and figure 10 (Windsor) all show the old S11a pattern. These perfins are not easily separated. Although they look basically similar they were punched by different dies. On pictorial issues they are easily separated by the different cancels proper to each city. The cancels are shown as figs. 8a, 9a and 10a. Note that an occasional roller cancel can be seen from London.



Fig. 8



Fig. 9



Fig. 10



Fig. 8a



Fig. 9a



Fig. 10a



London and Guelph perfins are normally found in the A and B positions, but are rarely seen in the C and D positions. The Windsor perfins are found exclusively in the A position, and so far, I have found none of the 3 cents red (#197a - die 1) perforated with the Windsor perforator of the Sun Life Company.

Figures 6 and 11 (from Ottawa and North Bay, Ont. respectively) are very different if you compare the S8 and S9 pins. The Ottawa (fig. 6) punches are closer together and go slightly downhill, while the North Bay are wide apart and horizontal (among many other differences).



Fig. 6



Fig. 11

Similar differences for the S8 and S9 pins are found in fig. 12 (Petersborough, Ont.) and fig. 13 (Fort Williams, Ont.), but a close look at pin E1 shows that it is to the left of the N9 pin. This is the only die with such a pronounced shift. Only plating these perforators and comparing them closely with the die reconstruction will allow a positive identification.



Fig. 3



Fig. 4



Fig. 5



Fig. 12



Fig. 13

Trois Rivieres (fig. 4) and Sherbrooke (fig. 5) differ from Quebec (fig. 3) by the S8 and S9 differences. Also you will notice a characteristic unique to Trois Rivieres -- the bottom crossbar of the E goes uphill. If we compare the ways the sheets of stamps were punched we find: all perfins from Trois Rivieres are punched in the A position; Sherbrooke comes punched in the A and C positions, with an occasional B; and, Quebec also appears both A and C with an occasional B punch.

Pay attention to the cancel -- if it is a Sun Life perfin the cancel is the easiest way to identify the office of use.



Fig. 2



Fig. 18

Saint John, N. B. (fig. 2) usually has a fine cancel with CANADA at the bottom. That inscription can also be found for Ottawa, Winnipeg, Halifax and Quebec. A few "Station A" cancels were also found for Saint John.

Calgary (fig. 18) and Vancouver gave me a major problem (at first) due to a much larger quantity of perfins found for each of these cities. I had thought of the possibility of a 10-die perforator for both of these offices, but I have found only five different dies for each of these locations. In both of these post offices the postal clerks were using a sharp round hammer (not a duplex) and were determined to hit the stamp without a miss. Some of the stamps from Calgary have up to four hammer strikes (cancels) each! This is rather unusual and unique, especially during the early 30's. The bulk of the Calgary perfins are punched in the A and B positions with an odd inverted C punch.

I also found a lot of partial cancels to identify, especially those ending in the letters "ON". In the list of cities three end in ON; London, Saskatoon and Edmonton. The first one is easy to identify being in a class by itself, as we have seen before. The Saskatoon hammer (fig. 16a) is sharp and lightly inked to make a fine dark cancel. On the other hand, the Edmonton hammer (fig. 17a) is flattened down or possibly made deliberately wide, leaving a bold but very light impression, as if the ink used was a light gray. This illustrates that the cancel specialist would have a field day identifying Sun Life perfinned stamps without paying much attention to the perforator pattern.



Fig. 16a



Fig. 17a

#### CONCLUSION

To summarize this first article, I suggest that it won't be easy to conclusively separate all of your Sun Life perfins. At this stage I have demonstrated the existence of 19 different perforators located at one time in as many different offices (cities), each with a mail clerk with his own habits of perforating stamps for use by the office. From the outline presented in this article, I am sure that you now can identify 20 - 25% of your Canadian Sun Life perfins to office of use.

In another article I will present data for each of the perforators including quantities, positions and measurements made during the plating of these stamps. Also included will be illustrations which will assist in plating these stamps. Happy hunting!!

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## HALLOCK CARD AWARD - A BRIEF HISTORY

EDITED AND UPDATED FROM AN ARTICLE IN THE AUGUST 1968 PERFINS BULLETIN

Hallock Card, a printer who lived in Otselic, N. Y., was not the first person to collect perfins. He was, however the first to recognize that the fun of collecting perfins could be greatly enhanced if there were enough collectors -- all interested in perfins -- who could form a group, club or society. Thoughts led to action and, unaided, Hallock started mailing circulars to see if he could generate interest in forming a Club.

Through his efforts the Perfins Club was founded in 1943. He worked hard over the formation of the Club and his work was of a permanent nature; all of you receiving The Perfins Bulletin are members of the Club which he founded. Things went well for the Club, it flourished and grew, but, unhappily, things did not go as well for Hallock. His health failed, a serious auto accident took its toll, and later his eyes went bad. In 1956 he closed his albums for the last time. Happily, the foundation which he laid endured in the Perfins Club.

In 1967 it was decided to perpetuate his memory by making an annual award to recognize the member of the Perfins Club who had donemething significant in the field of Perfins Philately or for the Perfins Club.

The first Hallock Card Award was made at the end of 1967 and was announced in the January 1968 Perfins Bulletin. K. F. Lougee recieved this first Award for "His work as editor of the new illustrated catalog of the Perfins Club and for his many years of service as Catalog Chairman of the Perfins Club."

Subsequent recipients of this Award read like a Who's Who of Perfins Philately. They are -- in chronological order:

1968 -- David C. Stump -- "for his work as editor of the Perfins Bulletin and for his long service to the Perfins Club."

1969 -- Leonard H. Paul -- "for his service in helping to print and prepare for mailing the Perfins Bulletin. For seventeen years..."

1970 -- Dorothy L. Savage -- "...for her services as Vice-President of the Perfins Club."

1971 -- James P. Harris -- "...for his work as editor of the Perfins Railroad Catalog and for his work with the committee that published and distributed the Perfins Club Illustrated Catalog."

1972 -- L. R. Murray -- For work as Club photographer over many years, as Sales Manager for the Club, and as assistant to K. F. Lougee on many projects involving cataloging perfins.

1973 -- Richard L. Mewhinney -- In recognition of his activity as Secretary of the Perfins Club, his history of the Perfins Club (published in 1969), and recognizing his work as chairman of the committee to prepare the Club's Constitution and Bylaws.

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- 1974 -- Vojtech Maxa -- "Maxa has probably been the most influential person in developing interest in Perfins among collectors in his area of the world." (Czechoslovakia).
- 1975 -- Ivan Ley -- For service to the Club as Sales Manager during the last five years.
- 1976 -- Floyd A. Walker -- For service to the Club including; Editor of The Perfins Bulletin, 1971 - 1974; Club Secretary 1975 - 1976; and Club Librarian, in which capacity he was instrumental in cataloging and compiling the Library holdings as we now have them.
- 1977 -- Robert J. Woolley -- "Bob Woolley's name is synonymous with Canadian Perfins research and it is long past time ... to pay tribute to this learned and generous philatelist."
- 1978 -- No Award made.
- 1979 -- Joe and Dorothy Balough -- For "not just their joint efforts on the United States Perfins Catalog, but also for their long-time contributions to the Perfins Club and to perfins philately."
- 1980 -- Jack Gooding -- "Nearly a decade ago Jack offered his help to the Club... He has guided the financial affairs of the Club since that time... Jack volunteered again when we needed an auction chairman..."
- 1981 -- Robert J. Schwerdt -- "Schwerdt has served as foreign catalog editor for more than five years. Since he assumed responsibility for directing foreign perfins research efforts, the number of foreign worksheets in the Library has grown from 30 to nearly 130 and interest in foreign perfins has mushroomed."
- 1982 -- John Needham -- "His work as secretary and his work on foreign perfins, most especially on German perfins, made him unanimous choice for the 1982 Hallock Card Award."
- 1983 -- Rudy Roy -- For "...work as Public Relations Chairman for the Perfins Club..."

This brings us to the present. Time is approaching when a decision will be made for the member who will receive the Hallock Card Award for this year. Obviously this is not a popularity contest; the Award is for someone who has really done something for the Club or for Perfins Philately in general. It is a service award.

If you wish to nominate someone who fits this description, contact Rudy Roy (see the front page).



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## WORDS -- WORDS -- WORDS (#1)

BY PAUL A. MISTRETTA

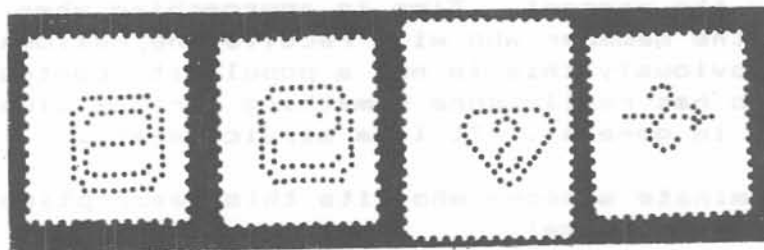
Those of you who collect only United States perfins by pattern were probably somewhat confused by the references to "position A", B, C, etc. in the Sun Life article earlier in this issue. Hopefully, when you finish this article these references will make sense.

**PATTERNS** -- When a perfin collector refers to patterns he should have a specific concept in mind. A perfin pattern is any letter, number, or design -- used either alone or in combination with other letters, numbers, or designs -- which is perforated through the stamp and which has a different shape from other patterns (whether reported or not). Each separate perforator head (**DIE**) will punch a subtly different pattern. These different patterns are what the Sun Life article is all about. When reported, new patterns are accorded catalog status by being assigned a new catalog number consistent with the numbering system used by the cataloger.

It should be noted that "different shape" can be a very subtle and difficult concept to apply. Patterns punched when a perforator is new are usually sharp and precise. As the perforator wears, or when several sheets are punched simultaneously, the holes punched by the perforator can become less precise (generally bigger holes). Also, pins break off the perforator die or do not completely perforate through multiple sheets. These anomalies are not new patterns but rather are **VARIETIES**. Varieties are not assigned discrete catalog numbers although they are often cross referenced or assigned a sequence or variety number under a previously assigned number.

Many catalogs blur the distinction by not establishing and following a defined numbering hierarchy before assigning numbers to patterns and varieties. In fairness to the catalogers, having spent millions of dollars on cataloging, the Library of Congress has still not come up with an adequate system of cataloging books. ANY system of cataloging (of any items) will have inherent problems -- some of them irreconcilable. So if you are a novice and confused, don't be discouraged -- so are most of the true experts.

To illustrate these points:



Different PATTERNS, each having a discrete catalog number.



VARIETIES of recognized patterns (pattern first with variety following.)

ISSUES -- When used by a perfiner, this word refers to the stamp on which the perfin occurs, not to the perfin itself. Any distinct stamp, seal, item of postal stationary, or other philatelic item is considered an issue. I have possibly broadened this definition from that used by many of the "purist" school, but I believe that seals, revenue stamps, and other Back-of-the-Book or Cinderella items must be dealt with in the collection of perfins. An issue collection is possible for each known pattern. With approximately six thousand known patterns and several hundred known perfined issues, a pattern by issue collection becomes a real challenge!! -- And there are a few of us sufficiently masochistic to pursue this passtime. Saving graces in the collection of issues are; it is a tremendous challenge, every new stamp in an issue collection adds to the accumulated knowledge concerning perfin usage, if you stick to D and E rated perfins it is one of the few inexpensive (relatively) pursuits available, and although there are hundreds of known perfined issues all were not perfined for each pattern so there is a theoretical limit to the number of stamps to collect.

POSITIONS -- This word, used by a perfin collector, refers to the position of the pattern with relation to the vignette (picture or art) on the stamp or other item. All philatelic items have a natural right-side-up in which the stamp or other item can be interpreted as intended by the artist who prepared the issue. Right-side-up is not always obvious (witness the current tempest in a teapot concerning the National Archives issue), but there IS almost always a proper face side top to an issue. (There is only one exception with which I am familiar. It is a Cinderella item designed to be rotated top/bottom with the same vignette appearing in either position.)

Looking at an issue in the its natural position there are eight different positions in which a perfin can appear. These positions of pattern result from the direction in which the sheet of stamps is fed through the perforator. Die and stamp position cause the position of the pattern on the issue.

Historically these eight positions have been distinguished in catalogs of Canadian official perfins (specifically those edited by Roy Wrigley, and the BNAPS Perfins Study Group). These eight positions, which have been designated A through H in previous works, are illustrated below.

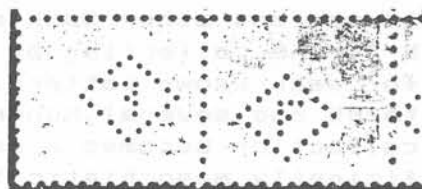
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**MIRROR PAIRS** -- Using the designations for position, mirror pairs are very easily understood. Any attached pair of stamps with the pattern in position A on one stamp and in position B on the other (or with C/D, E/F, or G/H combinations) is a mirror pair. They result from the operator of the perforator folding the sheet of stamps to be perforated in half (for a five die perforator) or into an accordion pleated stack of ten stamps (for a single die perforator). True mirror pairs will show identical respective position in the vignette of the two stamps. False mirror pairs do exist but they are apparently therapy for a bored employee who wanted to see how many varieties he could create -- these will show the perfins misaligned between the two stamps. Two mirror pairs are illustrated below, one true and one false.



true mirror pair



false mirror pair  
(note mis-alignment)

Enough terms for one sitting. This brief dictionary should get you through the Sun Life article -- and some of the others in the Perfins Bulletin which depend on these words.

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Having word trouble? Drop me a post card with the word (please make them perfin related!!) and I will periodically use some space in the Bulletin for definitions. (Paul Mistretta, 326 Choctaw Dr., Pineville, LA 71360.)

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## CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Former editor Floyd Walker writes that he has become a Director of the International Association of Business Communicators ("a 10,000-member-plus organization of folks who do publications and public relations for business, industry, and associations.") He has also just finished a book for the same group; on professional development for organizational communicators. CONGRATULATIONS FLOYD -- but I thought that you were going to take it easy for a while!





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I have recently learned that William T. Brown, our Canadian Representative, won a bronze medal at ORAPEX in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. His display was titled "Railroad Perfins of North America 1908 - 1968". CONGRATULATIONS! And thanks for once again showing us that perfin exhibits can win at shows.

## Colombia

Perfins are found on Colombian stamps in use from 1917 to 1940. Of the eight users, only one remains to be identified. At least one of the commercial perfins was used on fiscal issues. To date, one SCADTA airmail perfin overprinted for use to France has been found; these stamps probably were perfined in Mulhouse and returned to Colombia.

Many cancelling devices are evident. PAGADO and numerous punch holes of various types are found on postal and fiscal stamps. An ANULADA punch in several sizes is found on postal, postal tax, and fiscal stamps from low to high values. On some ANULADA punches, the word ANULADA is in the cancel or is additionally handstamped. RdeC in punched letters appears on parcel receipts. An article by Rudy Roy in the October 1977 Perfins Bulletin treats Colombian perfins further.

A. H.	1 A	ORT	6 A Camacho Roldan & Tamayo Bogota
	2 A Banco Aleman-Antio- queno Barranquilla, Medellin	JVM	7 A J. V. Mogollon Cartagena
	3 A Banco Aleman-Antio- queno Bogota	DMC	8 A Dollfus Mieg et Cie Mulhouse Sanabria SF71
	4 A Anilinas Alemanas Cia. Ltd. Bogota Scott C56	OR&C	1 B Camacho Roldan & Cia. Bogota
	5 A Banco de Colombia Bogota	UDC	2 B (British Perfin U62A)

LIBRARY HOLDINGS: Miscellaneous, (MI-21)

*The Security Endorcement & Perfins Society of Great Britain, (S.E.P.S.), is now known as The Perfins Society, (P.S.). In the past they have translated monographs appearing in foreign philatelic publications on perfins into English.*

*The following is a breakdown of these monographs by name of publication appearing, title of article & author, description of subject, and number of pages in translation.*

TRANS. #1 - Filateliya SSSR, April 1974, (4), 6-7. "Stamps With Perforations", by P. Mazur. Subject - Moscow Perfins. 5 pages

TRANS. #2 - Filateliya SSSR, Sept. 1972, (9), 38-39. "Stamps With Perforations", by P. Mazur. Subject - Perfins on the Tsarist stamps of Russia. 5 pages

TRANS. #4 - Filateliya SSSR, April 1973, (4) V-VI. "More About Perforations On Postage Stamps", by P. Mazur. Subject - Perfins on foreign countries in general and perfins of the Tsarist stamps of Russia. 6 pages

TRANS. #5 - Michel Briefmarkenkatalog: Deutschland, 1969, pp.107. Catalogue of Germany, Subject - POL Perfins of Germany. 2 pages

TRANS. #6 - Filateliya SSSR, Dec. 1975, (12), 25-27. "Perforations On Soviet Postage Stamps", by P. Mazur. Subject - Perfins on Russian stamps. 8 pages

TRANS. #7 - Filateliya SSSR, Feb. 1973, (2), 34. "Perforations On Postage Stamps From Pre-Revolutionary Russia", by Yu. Aleksandrov. Subject - Pre-Revolution Russian Perfins. 3 pages

TRANS. #8 - Le Monde des Philatelistes, Study No. 97, Paris, 1968. "French Issues - Vol. 3 - The Perforated Stamps Of France (Second, Third and Fourth Lists)", by Colonel LeBland. Subject - Perfins of France, Corrections and Conclusions and Dictionary of Words and Phrases appearing in the Lists of LeBland. 7 pages

TRANS. #9 - Catalogo de los Sellos Postales de la Republica Argentina, Vol. 2, 6th edition, Buenos Aires, 1958, pp. 548-559. "Cancelling With Perforating Machines", by Victor Kneitschel. Subject - Perfin Cancels of Argentina. 15 pages

TRANS. #10 - ANCOPER, (Association Nationale Des Collectionneurs De Timbres Perfores), May 10, 1977. "Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors". Subject - First meeting and background of the French Society of Perfin Collectors. 4 pages

TRANS. #11 - ANCOPER, Sept. 29, 1977, "Election of the Commitee". Subject - Elections of Officers to Serve the French Perfins Club. 2 pages

TRANS. #12 - ANCOPER, Oct. 26, 1977, "General Assembly". Subject - Installation of Officers and Treasury Report. 4 pages

TRANS. #13 - ANCOPER, Oct. 26, 1977, Liaison Bulletin No. 1. Subject - General Communications and a request for articles on perfins. 4 pages

LIBRARY HOLDINGS: MISC. (MI-21), Continued

TRANS. #64 - Bundesarbeitsgemeinschaft Firmendurchlochungen, Rundbrief 1, April 1963. German Perfins Society's 1st Bulletin. 7 pages

TRANS. #66 - Bundesarbeitsgemeinschaft Firmendurchlochungen, Rundbrief 2, October, 1963. German Perfins Society's 2nd Bulletin. 8 pages

TRANS. #68 - Kohl - Briefmarken Handbuch, 2nd edn., Verein der Freunde des Kohl - Briefmarken Handbuchs, Berlin, Vol. 3, 1931, pp. 823-825. Great Britain Official Stamps. 5 pages

TRANS. #69 - ANCOPER, May 7, 1980, Liaison Bulletin No. 24. Article - "Perforation of Envelopes by the "Soleau System". 7 pages

*When requesting to borrow a particular translation from the library, please ask for MI-21 and give the TRANSLATION NUMBER. Thank you..*

*Page count is included if you want a copy of a particular translation. Price is 15¢ per copy plus postage.*

*Send all library requests to; B. L. Timmerman, 1606 Britney Drive, Sherwood, Arkansas 72116*

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## LITERATURE REVIEWED

BY PAUL MISTRETTE

### IRELAND . . .

Mewhinney, Richard L. 1984. Ireland: Catalog of Perfins. Priv. Publ. The Perfins Club. 34p. (8 1/2 x 11", three hole punched, unbound, with heavy weight paper covers.)

At last -- a catalog of Irish perfins. This new work replaces a set of worksheets and articles currently available through the Club Library. Having this information in catalog form is a major step forward.

This catalog follows the basic pattern of others published by the Perfins Club in recent years: 2 pages of introductory material, 30 pages (15 pairs of pages) with descriptive material on the left- and illustrations on the right-hand page, and an extremely useful innovation - two pages of "wish list".

The body of the work presents the 260 patterns (about half identified to user) which Dick was able photograph using actual stamps. The wish list presents a listing of 50 additional patterns which have been reported, but which he was unable to authenticate.

Considering the difficulty which I am having collecting complete, undamaged copies of Irish perfins, I was impressed by the quality of the illustrative material. Although there are a few broken patterns and one or two incompletes, the vast majority of the illustrations are prepared from complete, readable perfins. The printing is true black and white (not grey and white) and very readable.

This excellent compilation of Irish perfins should become the standard reference for Irish perfin collectors in very short order.

### AND DENMARK . . .

The Perfinnist no. 10. May 1984. 24 (5 1/2 x 8 1/2") p.

This issue of The Perfinnist contains three articles: A) A set of A&C pages for Peter's Danish catalog (eight new patterns and three corrections); B) A note on the future publication schedule for The Perfinnist; and C) Appendix material -- Pages 23.1-23.8 and 44.1-44.12 of Peter's Danish Handbook. The Handbook material is a discussion of specific differences between look alike patterns (23.1-23.8) and a very clear, illustrated discussion of perforator head deterioration as it affects patterns (44.1-44.12).

Privately published by Peter Engelbrecht, this publication is extremely well printed and quite readable. It is bilingual (Danish and English). For those interested in the perfins of Denmark this periodical is essential.

Available from Peter Engelbrecht, Bogelundvej 23, DK 5464, Brenderup Fyn, Denmark. Numbers 9 (reviewed in May's Bulletin) and 10 are \$5.



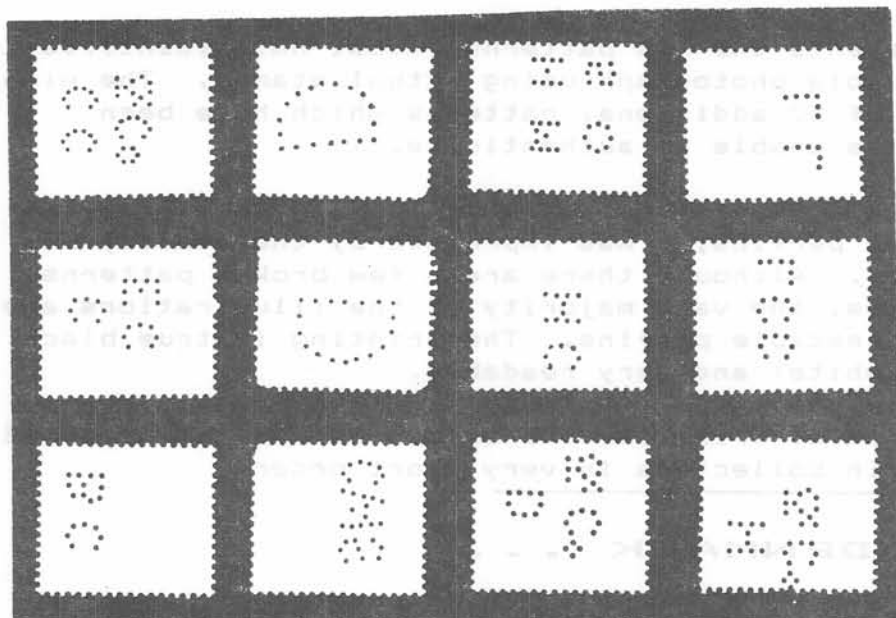
MORE ON US CHM/CO

Rudy Roy (#1124) has written with more information about the CHM/CO perfin first reproduced on page 30 of the February 1984 Bulletin.

"I have a block of 20 (4h x 5w) of the CHM/CO pattern with one row with only the CHM. This is a vertical row, from the left corner of a sheet of the 3c 1938 Washington. Would appear that, from this and the one of Harry's you illustrated (p. 73, Apr. 1984), that it is from a multi-headed perforator, and that the first die to the left is missing the CO. I agree that an A rating is too high, D may be correct."

COLLECTING WITHOUT ALBUMS

Edward S. Hoyt (#292) writes to share his method of storing foreign perfins for which he has no catalog or album.



Using black paper cut to the size of a 4 7/8 x 3 1/4" glassine envelope he mounts the perfins face down sorted by country and letter of the alphabet. He then stores the sheetlets in glassines (2 sheetlets back-to-back per envelope) where they are easily saved and referred to at a later date. You don't have to remove the sheetlets from the glassine to compare with new material which you

get. An example of a sheetlet (stamps mounted without regard for pattern) which shows the fit of 12 stamps (3x4).

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Ed. Note -- This is an extremely useful idea, allowing the collector to conserve his or her album money and spend it on stamps rather than on albums. It also will allow a tremendous amount of freedom to reorganize the material as new patterns are added.

But -- I suggest that you do not use simple construction paper for the black sheetlets. Construction paper is a cheap, utility paper which contains active chemicals (as a result of the manufacturing process.) Sulfur products (chiefly sulfuric acid) in these papers will eventually burn stamps. The stamps become discolored (yellowed to browned) and brittle. If you adopt Ed's idea be sure to use a high quality ("fine") paper which is chemically neutral (as close to pH 7.0 as you can possibly get.)

## A NEW U.S. PERFIN

Ed Haack (#770) writes saying that he has retired -- from his second job. A carpenter for twenty years, Ed gave that up in 1967 and then in 1973 took a job with Multnomah Co. They eliminated his job last summer. However, like so many of you who take the trouble to write, he hasn't been idle. Since November 1981 Ed has been involved in putting out a bulletin for his local post card club (32 pages four times a year.

Ed (owner of three perforators) has now answered a question which I have had for a long time. The answer; this "new pattern, the Beaver, I made myself." So now we know -- it is possible to fabricate your own perforator. Ed writes:



"I have often wondered if it would be possible to use one of the old corporate seals, which work on the same lever action. I was able to purchase some this spring at a Salem flea market... It took me a little while to find the carbon steel pins... using a hack saw... (I) reduced the size of the embosser... drilled the holes with a drill press... The main problem I had was to get the glue for the metal to adhere... Super Glue is still holding from four days ago..."

Ed's one complaint: "I would have liked the (beaver's) tail longer, but to stay in the 1/2" size was not possible."

FANTASTIC!!!

## U.S. SURVEY UPDATE

The sales and auction departments are constantly used by members. Fair prices are assured by the unique rating system which we use. Continual surveys to update these ratings are important to all of us.

It is important for US collectors to participate in the current survey. The large number of rating changes resulting from the recent extensive survey of A and B rated patterns demonstrated a real need to continue the survey process.

A careful check of the listed new varieties will turn up some you didn't expect. And with the new information we will have a basis for establishing a rating for these items.

It takes time to check mounted stamps and stamps in an accumulation, but the new patterns found will justify the time. Doing a few at a time will make the job easier!

The current survey will remain open until sufficient returns are received to allow reliable estimates of the relative scarcity of the items on the list. Ratings assigned based on this survey may be with us for a long time, so help make them accurate -- PARTICIPATE!

If you still have your form -- fill it out and send it to me! If it is lost write me for another one. Harry Rickard, 2163 Cumbre Pl., El Cajon, CA 92020.

## DUTCH ARTICLE COMMENT

Laurence H. Rehm (Perfins Club Member #808) is Vice President of the American Society for Netherlands Philately and is Co-editor of their bulletin "Netherlands Philately". Mr. Rehm writes:

"I was interested in reading the account of Dutch perfins by A. C. van den Oudenalder which appeared in the May 1984 issue of the Perfins Bulletin.

"The author has understandably stressed the use of the intriguing POKO machine in his coverage of the Dutch perfin scene. However, it should be pointed out that while POKOs hold considerable interest within Dutch perfin philately, they are far from dominating it.

"Exhaustive research by a number of specialists in the field, including long-time Perfin Club member E. J. Enschede, established that just 65 different POKO perfins were ever in use in the Netherlands. In addition to this total, some 35 firms were thought to have used a POKO machine to frank their mail but did not employ a perfin die.

"Against this figure of 65 different POKO perfins, several hundred Dutch firms have employed single and multiple head perforators of one type or another...

"It is from sources like these that the great majority of Dutch perfins were produced. POKOs, while admittedly interesting, actually form a very small part in the overall use of perfins in the Netherlands.

"One small item of correction; the author stated that POKOs were discontinued in June 1942. The last known POKO to see postal use was AL/M, used on a 7 1/2 ct. wartime coil (Scott#243E) by Leder Maatschappij of Amsterdam on February 1, 1944."

## A NEW BRITISH PERFIN

To commemorate the 40th anniversary of the Battle of Monte Cassino, Italy in 1944, The Committee of the Polish Philatelists Association in the United Kingdom decided to organize a stamp exhibition in London on the 20th of May 1984. They issued a commemorative postcard and a new perfin for the occasion. The new pattern (40/MC) is illustrated. Known to be perforated with this new pattern are the 1/2, 1, 3, and 4p QE II stamps in the current British definitive series. For further information contact W.Z.J. Nowicki, Hon. Secretary of the S. F. P., 40 Ansell Road, London SW17 - 7LS, England.



## SORRY HARRY!!!

Since I have a middle initial of A. and two of the three people I supervise have middle initials of A., it was inevitable that I would eventually put that initial somewhere that it didn't belong. The Harry A. Rickard who wrote the Beginner's Corner in the May Bulletin is the Same Harry we all know without the A. Thankfully his note reached me just before the June Bulletin went out to Ron for publishing -- or the wrong name would have gone to press again.

# BOSTON PHILATELIC SHOW -- INFORMATION

## PHILATELIC SHOW '84 PROSPECTUS

### RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. This exhibition is open to all individual collectors. The material exhibited must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor. Material with dual or corporate ownership is respectfully declined.
2. An entry form for each exhibit, along with the entry fee of \$7.00 (Junior \$3.50) per frame, must be mailed to the Exhibit Chairman before September 10, 1984.
3. The exhibits will be judged by APS accredited judges, whose decisions will be final. Each exhibit will be judged on its own merits on an open show basis. There will be five levels of awards. A grand award will be awarded to the best exhibit in the show. A Junior award will be awarded to the best exhibit in the junior section. Special awards will be awarded if the required criteria are met. All exhibitors will be given a complimentary pass and exhibition program.
4. Each frame will hold 16 pages, 9"x12". Slightly larger pages can be accommodated with some overlapping. Each page must be inserted into a transparent protective sleeve and should bear progressive numbers on the back. Entries with odd size pages must obtain committee approval before an entry form may be submitted for consideration.
5. An exhibitor may enter more than one collection provided a separate entry form is submitted for each entry. The maximum number of frames per exhibit is 10 (Junior 5). The minimum number is 2. Collectors who have not reached their 21st birthday as of October 12, 1984, may exhibit, at their option, in the Junior section. Final acceptance will be made after September 10, 1984. The Exhibit Committee reserves the right to refuse any exhibit. All fees paid will be refunded in case of refusal.
6. All exhibits should be mailed to Guy R. Dillaway, Exhibit Chairman, Box 181, Weston, MA 02193, to arrive not earlier than September 30, nor later than October 6. Persons wishing to send their exhibits by means other than USPS must make prior special arrangements.
7. Personally delivered exhibits will be accepted at the Registration Desk of Philatelic Show (Plaza Castle) Thursday, October 11, from 4 to 8 P.M.
8. All exhibits not delivered in person must be forwarded prepaid. Exhibitor must include with the entry fee \$7 for the prepayment of the return of his exhibit by parcel post, insured for \$400, special handling; or \$15 for return by registered mail at full valuation to a maximum of \$25,000. Exhibitors personally retrieving their exhibits on Sunday, October 14, after the show closes, need not remit for the return of their exhibits.
9. Owners must provide their own insurance. All reasonable care will be taken to ensure the safety of the exhibits. However, no responsibility shall be attached to Philatelic Show, the Northeastern Federation of Stamp Clubs, Inc., or the Boston Park Plaza Hotel, Plaza Castle, including their officers, members, or employees, for any loss whatsoever.
10. No exhibit will be removed until after the exhibition closes on Sunday, October 14. No exhibit will be removed from the frames until the exhibit area is cleared of all visitors. Exhibitors will be assisted in dismantling their exhibits.

# OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM PHILATELIC SHOW

The Plaza Castle of the Boston Park Plaza Hotel, Boston, Mass.  
October 12 - 14, 1984

**TO:**  
Guy R. Dillaway, Exhibit Chairman  
Box 181  
Weston, Mass. 02193

### PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth (if junior) \_\_\_\_\_

I have exhibited this exhibit at the following shows (List awards won, if any): \_\_\_\_\_

### PLEASE CIRCLE YES OR NO FOR THE STATEMENTS BELOW

I will personally deliver my collection.

I will personally pick up my collection.

YES, NO

YES, NO

\_\_\_\_\_ Frames requested at \$7 (Junior \$3.50) per frame ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that my exhibit will be returned by the method indicated by the amount of return postage (see Rule 8) \$7 insured parcel post or \$15 registered ..... \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL REMITTANCE \$** \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Exhibit: \_\_\_\_\_

Program Description (50 words or less): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Number of album pages \_\_\_\_\_, page size exclusive of hinge \_\_\_\_\_" x \_\_\_\_\_".

Member APS \_\_\_\_\_ SPA \_\_\_\_\_ NE.FED. \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

I have read, understand, and will comply with all rules and regulations for exhibiting at Philatelic Show.

I understand that no addresses will be listed in the program so you have my permission to \_\_\_\_\_ list my name.

\_\_\_\_\_ list me anonymously as \_\_\_\_\_

I, the undersigned, understand that I will be responsible for insuring my exhibit; and I will not hold Philatelic Show or the Northeastern Federation of Stamp Clubs, Inc., or the Boston Park Plaza Hotel, Plaza Castle, or their officers, members, or employees liable for loss of or damage to this exhibit.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:** Philatelic Show  
Box 181  
Weston, Mass. 02193



LOT	PRICE	LOT	PRICE	LOT	PRICE	LOT	PRICE	LOT	PRICE	LOT	PRICE	LOT	PRICE
372	0.20	407	6.90	442	0.60	477	0.20	512	0.35	547	0.30	582	0.30
373	0.30	408	0.20	443	0.60	478	0.35	513	0.45	548	1.35	583	0.35
374	0.40	409	0.20	444	0.60	479	0.35	514	0.20	549	0.20	584	0.20
375	0.40	410	0.20	445	0.60	480	0.80	515	0.35	550	0.35	585	0.20
376	0.80	411	0.20	446	0.50	481	0.20	516	0.35	551	0.35	586	0.20
377	4.45	412	0.20	447	0.50	482	0.40	517	0.20	552	0.55	587	0.20
378	0.30	413	0.20	448	0.50	483	0.35	518	1.10	553	0.35	588	0.20
379	1.20	414	0.20	449	0.50	484	0.20	519	0.45	554	0.30	589	0.20
380	0.20	415	0.20	450	0.50	485	0.80	520	0.35	555	0.35	590	1.00
381	0.30	416	0.20	451	0.50	486	0.35	521	0.80	556	0.35	591	0.50
382	1.10	417	0.20	452	0.60	487	0.80	522	0.20	557	1.00	592	0.80
383	0.60	418	0.20	453	0.65	488	0.20	523	1.35	558	2.00	593	0.80
384	1.60	419	0.20	454	0.55	489	0.20	524	0.20	559	0.35	594	0.40
385	0.40	420	0.20	455	0.55	490	0.40	525	0.40	560	0.60	595	0.40
386	1.50	421	0.20	456	0.65	491	0.15	526	0.20	561	0.40	596	0.40
387	0.60	422	0.20	457	4.45	492	0.20	527	0.20	562	0.35	597	0.80
388	2.75	423	0.20	458	1.35	493	0.25	528	0.30	563	0.35	598	0.80
389	1.10	424	1.10	459	0.80	494	1.00	529	0.50	564	0.20	599	0.40
390	1.10	425	0.20	460	0.35	495	0.35	530	0.55	565	0.35	600	2.85
391	0.35	426	0.20	461	0.20	496	0.20	531	0.50	566	0.35	601	3.00
392	0.35	427	0.20	462	0.20	497	0.40	532	0.50	567	2.85	602	0.80
393	0.60	428	0.25	463	0.80	498	1.20	533	0.70	568	0.35	603	1.60
394	0.70	429	0.20	464	0.20	499	0.80	534	0.70	569	0.50	605	22.00
395	0.45	430	0.20	465	0.80	500	0.20	535	0.70	570	0.60	606	16.50
396	0.35	431	0.20	466	15.40	501	13.20	536	0.70	571	1.20	607	3.25
397	0.35	432	4.20	467	0.80	502	0.30	537	0.55	572	0.55	608	3.25
398	1.60	433	1.00	468	0.50	503	0.20	538	0.30	573	0.20	609	21.00
399	0.60	434	NL	469	0.20	504	1.00	539	11.30	574	0.20	610	5.50
400	1.00	435	0.60	470	0.20	505	1.00	540	2.25	575	0.35	611	15.00
401	0.30	436	0.60	471	1.10	506	0.20	541	0.40	576	0.35	612	5.50
402	0.20	437	0.50	472	1.50	507	0.45	542	0.30	577	0.35	613	10.45
403	0.20	438	0.60	473	1.50	508	0.20	543	0.30	578	0.35	614	7.70
404	0.25	439	0.60	474	0.20	509	0.80	544	1.35	579	0.40	615	6.60
405	1.00	440	0.60	475	0.20	510	0.35	545	2.25	580	0.35	616	14.85
406	0.30	441	0.60	476	0.60	511	1.10	546	0.35	581	0.30	583A	1.70
												598A	1.70
LOT # 604 PRICE \$171.60													

## AN OVERDUES NOTICE !!

If you haven't paid your dues at the time you are reading this note --  
YOU ARE LATE!!!!

Club dues came due on July 1. They are \$5.00 for members in the US and Canada or \$7.00 overseas members. Remember Life Memberships are available to all members. Normally they are 15 times the annual rate (\$75. US and Canada; \$105. overseas.) NOTE that there is a special provision for free life membership for Club members over 65 who have been members of the Club for 25 years -- but you must apply. All funds should be in US dollars.

ALL MEMBERSHIP BUSINESS should be addressed to Ralph W. Smith,  
Secretary; RR1 Box 5645, Dryden, ME 04225.

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ADS . . .

I am a fairly new collector of perfins and would like to trade. I would like British and British Commonwealth fiscal perfins and perfinned US precancels and revenues. I will trade on a 5 to 1 basis with most countries of the world and 10 to 1 with British stamps. Any information on the above subjects would also be appreciated. Mr. D. Allwright, 140 Howard Dr., Letchworth, Herts., England. (Club Memb. #2164.)

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The photography work in the US Catalog was done by Club member John Burns (#1288). After years of service to the Club, his resignation has been reluctantly accepted.

Why photographs in the Catalog? Contact negatives of perfins do not show the (minor but important) distortion generated when photocopies are made. (For efficiency all illustrations used in the Bulletin are photocopier reproductions and are not truly catalog quality.)

As new patterns and important varieties of patterns are always being discovered, A & C pages are prepared by Joe Balough and his US Catalog Committee. They need a volunteer photographer to replace John!!!

If you can do this job -- photograph, develop and print illustrative material -- your help is needed. The need is occasional, but the service to the Club would be tremendous.

Contact (President) Dick Mewhinney at 33 Carlton Place, Washington, NJ 07882 if you are willing to undertake this task.

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The Canal Zone Study Group is making a survey of the PSN perfin on Canal Zone stamps. They are requesting help from members of the Perfins Club.

They have asked their members to list all of their perfinned (PSN) items, including duplicates, separating them as mint or used. They would also like information as to multiples -- strips, blocks of four, or other sizes and shapes of attached stamps -- and those on cover.

For our cooperation, the Study Unit will share the results of the survey with us. It is expected that the tabulation will be complete by the end of the year.

Here is a very good opportunity to share our hobby with another national philatelic group. Those with Canal Zone stamps are strongly urged to participate in the survey.

Reports should be sent directly to Lawson P. Entwistle, Director and Business Manager, The Canal Zone Study Group, 10000 East Broadway, Tucson, AZ 85748. Mention that you are a member of the Perfins Club!!



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## THE SECRETARY'S REPORT

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

### NEW MEMBERS

- 2318 Williams, Carl E., Mrs. (Ruth), % Gay & Taylor Inc., 3075 W. Oakland Pk. Blvd., Suite 104, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33311  
Worldwide by Walker
- 2319 Rowley, Douglas S., PO Box 1373, La Jolla, CA 92038  
US Beginner by Rickard
- 2320 Sovec, Frank M., 732 Garden City Dr., Monroeville, PA 15146  
Beginner by Smith
- 2321 Kojocian, Martin, Jr., 376 Woodlea Ave., Montreal, Quebec, Canada H3P 1R5  
Worldwide by Walker
- 2322 McDaniels, Marilyn A., PO Box 157, Eliot, ME 03903  
US by Smith
- 2323 Gretskey, Dr. Laurence A., 1507 Edgewood Ave., Austin, TX 78722  
Beginner by Reese (#1989)
- 2324 Dutton, Glenn G., 25137 Saxony, Woodhaven, MI 48183  
US Beginner by Rickard
- 2325 Baker, Bertha, 138 Main St., Townsend, MA 01469  
Beginner by Rickard
- 2326 Weinberger, William A., 21 Luddington Rd., West Orange, NJ 07052  
Train (pictorials) perfinned by Brandt LM14
- 2327 Olsen, Roy N., 10 Oceanside St., Islip Terrace, NY 11752  
US by Rickard
- 2328 Dillon, Carl, 2372 Hazel, Beaumont, TX 77702  
Beginner by Needham

### NEW LIFE MEMBERS

- LM94 Connaughton, John J., 10 Sawyer Terr., Alliston, MA 02134  
General by Rickard
- LM95 Bradshaw, Price Jr., PO Box 1341, Plano, TX 75074 (was #977)

### RESIGNED

- 2106 Tidwell, John E., 408 Cuniff Pkwy., Goodlettsville, TN 37072

### ADDRESS CHANGES

- 643 Jackson L. Sothern, 1413 Pitman Ave., Palo Alto, CA 94301
- 1898 David W. Andersen, 11/15 Bank St., Meadowbrook NSW, Australia 2114
- LM64 Allen L. Brock, 5402 E. Windsor Ave. Unit 20, Phoenix, AZ 85008
- 1507 Morris E. Selby, 39616 226th St. SE, Enumclaw, WA 98022
- 2200 Raymond J. Skrepnek, #57-123 Queensland Dr. SE, Calgary, Alberta, Canada T2J 5J4
- P-X Philatelistische Bibl., Rosenheimer Str. 5, 8000 Munchen 80, West Germany
- 2207 Russell J. Wright, Jr., Box 33728, Washington, DC 20033
- LM 9 Chris J. T. Carr, 27 Lower Rd., Temple Ewell, Dover, Kent CT16 3DX England
- 1291 Jackson W. Bosley, % Mrs. A. H Skovlin, 2460 McMillan St., Eugene, OR 97405

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ADDRESS CHANGES (Cont.)

2126 Souder, Charles C., 290 65th St., San Diego, CA 92114  
1533 Adams, Billy M., Rte. 2 - Box 138, Airport Rd., Bardstown,  
KY 40004

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY

Members as of March 31, 1984	850
New Members	+ 12
Resigned	- 1
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Members as of May 31, 1984	861

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PUBLICATIONS CURRENTLY AVAILABLE

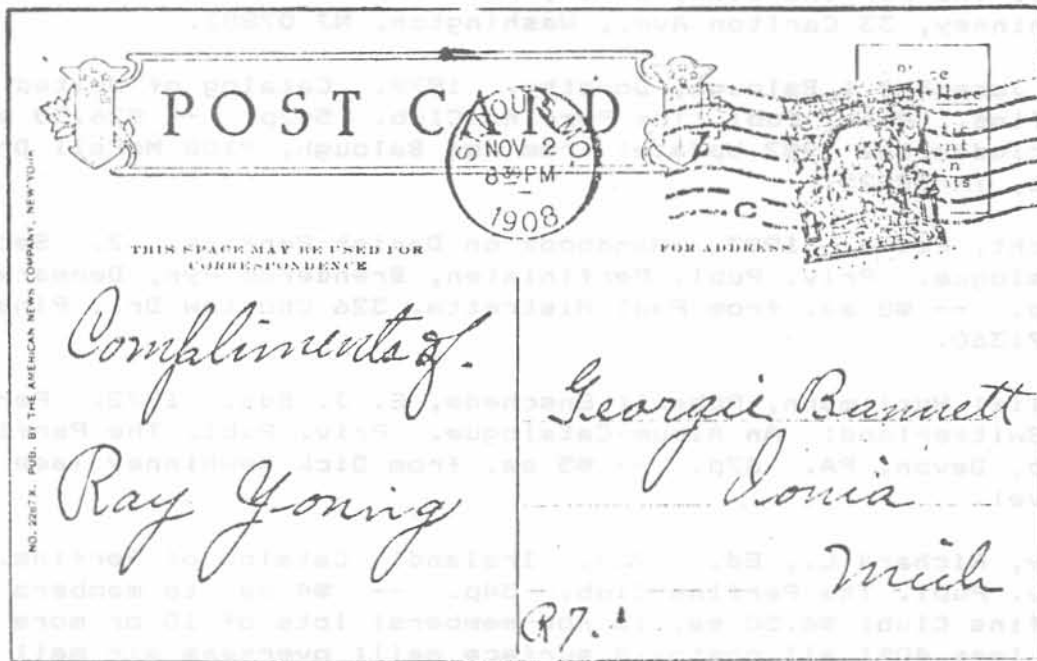
The list of publications available through the Club at the present time is short -- things not listed are currently unavailable except through the Library. PLEASE make checks payable to The Perfins Club when ordering literature.

- Andersen, Peter H. S.; Ostergaard, Hansen. 1980. List of Danish Perfins (Firma Perforerede Stamps.) Stump, David C., Ed. Priv. Publ. The Perfins Club, Devon, PA. 98p. -- \$5 ea from Dick Mewhinney, 33 Carlton Ave., Washington, NJ 07882.
- Balough, Joseph J.; Balough, Dorothy. 1979. Catalog of United States Perfins. Priv. Publ. The Perfins Club. 547p. -- \$26.50 ea. (includes the 1982 Update) from Joe Balough, 9108 McFall Dr., El Paso, TX 79925.
- Engelbrecht, Peter. 1983. Handbook on Danish Perfins. 2. Section - Catalogue. Priv. Publ. Perfinisten, Brenderup Fyn, Denmark. 120p. -- \$8 ea. from Paul Mistretta, 326 Choctaw Dr., Pineville, LA 71360.
- Ganz, Felix; Hurlimann, Robert; Enschede, E. J. Eds. 1972. Perfins of Switzerland: An Album-Catalogue. Priv. Publ. The Perfins Club, Devon, PA. 67p. -- \$5 ea. from Dick Mewhinney (see above).
- Mewhinney, Richard L., Ed. 1984. Ireland: Catalog of Perfins. Priv. Publ. The Perfins Club. 34p. -- \$4 ea. to members of the Perfins Club; \$6.50 ea. to non-members; lots of 10 or more \$6.50 ea. less 40%; all postpaid surface mail; overseas air mail \$2 extra; from Dick Mewhinney (see above).
- Tilles, Harvey G., Ed. 1975. Perfins of the Middle East: Egypt, Palestine, Sudan, Lebanon, Persia, Turkey. Priv. Publ. Harvey Tilles. 12p. -- \$1 ea. from Ralph Smith, RR1 Box 5645, Dryden, ME 04225.
- Also available -- Perfins Club Pins (white on silver) -- \$2 ea. from Dick Mewhinney. Wear one and let the world know that you are a perfinner.
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THE PERFINS BULLETIN  
8234 FLANDERS DR.  
SAN DIEGO, CA 92126

Second class  
Postage paid  
at SAN DIEGO, CA  
USPS No. 120-490

FIRST DAY OF USE?



This post card, showing a stamp perfined with F199 of the Frank Taylor Co., may be a first day of use. On the reverse is simply a picture of the Taylor buildings; there is no sales message or acknowledgement of anything.

It was mailed about the right time to be a first day of use and the "Compliments of Ray Young" indicate that it was something special. Perhaps Georgie was a collector? Any other explanations?

Thanks to Bill Allen (#629) for this unusual item.

# The PERFIN Bulletin

The official publication of The Perfin Club, APS affiliate 57

## WINDMILLS GENUINE

Thanks to the four Club Members who have sent information about the windmill perfin (Dick Mewhinney (President & LM60), John Needham (LM41), Ivan Pfalzer (#765) and C. Jean Kilmer (#2287)). I will not publish the name of the user of the perforator without direct permission of the individual but, as the following letter will show, he used the original perforator with the permission of the owner Windmill Holland B.V.

Mrs. Margrethe Adderley, a member of the Windmill Study Unit wrote to L. Dirks, Office Manager of Windmill Holland B.V. The pertinent part of Mr. Dirks' reply to her letter is reproduced from the March-April Windmill Whispers (p.7). Thanks Jean!

"We have not started using the perforator again but the following has happened:

- A local stamp collector became aware that the perforator still existed and asked us if he could borrow it for some time.
- He then, as a joke, mailed some envelopes with perforated stamps to a number of relations of his.
- Via one or more of these relations this perforation must have come onto the market.

"Consequently the showed perfin is not a forgery but we have not started using the perforator again and have no intention to do so."

Three of the four reported that the perforator had been used -- on the envelope and stationery -- but only one reports the receipt of a perfinned stamp (and he already had a classic copy!)

These perfins are NOT forgeries. They are authentic; punched from the original perforating device with the permission of the owner.



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## FRENCH CATALOG CHAIRMAN NAMED

Dick Mewhinney, on the recommendation of Bob Schwerdt, has named Dr. Harvey G. Tilles as Chairman of the committee to develop a catalog of French Perfins. Dr. Tilles brings significant prior experience in developing foreign catalogs to this task. While we welcome Dr. Tilles to this new undertaking, he, in his turn welcomes all the help he can get in this project. Send help and encouragement to Harvey at Box 5466, High Point, NC 27262.

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## SERIES OF 1902 UPDATED

BY HARRY RICKARD

It didn't take long to hear from members with still more unlisted catalog numbers or denominations of perfins on stamps in the Series of 1902. Add the following to your listing:

Perf	Den	Perf	Den	Perf	Den	Perf	Sc#	Perf	Sc#
Sheet		H226	2	S326	4	Coils		I119	597
Stamps		J129	2	S364	2	A225	493	598	721
A241	1	L55	2	T83	10	C113	492	J144	603
B277	6	L162	2	T107	2	C180	721	L60-1	353
C127	2	M191	2	V26	10	D3	413	L130	606
F138	10	O78	2	Z1	2	E31	721	M28	599
H69	10	R99	1	DES21	1	E87	599	P53	490
H88	6	S6	2			F114	602	491	492
H111	2	S219	2			G49	489	493	494

Now, how about each of you 1902 collectors writing and letting me know how many different patterns and denominations you have. That will help us get an idea of what we have to shoot for. (2163 Cumbre Pl., El Cajon, CA 92020.)

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## U. S. MAIL IN BRITAIN?

Bob Schwerdt writes asking "Can anyone explain the following?" The item in question is a British, Edward V, 2 1/2d blue stamp. It is perfined G&S (#447.2) which was used by John J. Griffin & Sons of Great Britain. So far so good. But -- can anyone explain the following cancel applied to the stamp? With apologies for the graphics, the cancel looks as follows:



US mail cancels in Great Britain? Anyone with information about this item please write Bob at 9 Memory Ln., Poughkeepsie, NY 12603.

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Many years ago, a friend of mine who was then employed at the offices of the old Scandinavian-American Line in New York City apprised me that the records department of his company was cleaning house; retaining only what was deemed essential to their much-diminished (at the time) operations.

I quickly mentioned to my good friend that, should he hear of anyone coming across any old stamped letters from Scandinavia or any old steamship documents with attractive vignettes, I might be a willing buyer of the material.

Two weeks elapsed before I received a phone call from my friend informing me that indeed there was something at his office which might interest me. Could I make it over at the end of his work-day and have a look to decide for myself if the material was of interest.

What resulted from this contact was my purchase (for a trifling sum) of several hundred old steamship tickets dated 1924 and 1925. All of these had copies of the U. S. \$5.00 and \$3.00

THESE COUPONS NOT TO BE DETACHED

SCANDINAVIAN-AMERICAN LINE

Passage Contract No. 1-4381

EMBARKATION COUPON

FULL NAME OF PASSENGER					AGE
Karolina Niemiec					38
Helena Niemiec					12
Jozefa Niemiec					9
Wladyslaw Niemiec					8
Jan - Niemiec					6

Class	Rate	Full Fares	Half Fares	Infant Fares	Total Fares
III	\$106 <sup>50</sup>	2	3		3 1/2

Room No. \_\_\_\_\_ Berth \_\_\_\_\_

Steamship *United States*

Sailing date *May 27* 1925 a  
(Subject to substitution and other liberties as per tariff)

For passage From **NEW YORK** to **CHRISTIANIA** **CHRISTIANIA** **COPENHAGEN**

and thence forwarding to *Paris*

Ocean fare paid \$ *372.75*

*War Tax* 19

European fare paid \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Date of issue *May 27*

Agency at *Newark*

*Leopold ... Agent*



TYPE I. Embarkation Coupon of SCANDINAVIAN-AMERICAN LINE, New York City with SAL/+5.26.5 perfin through two Scott #R244 (paying federal adult tax for two) and three Scott #243 (paying federal tax for three youngsters) for passage aboard Steamship United States to Copenhagen, Denmark "and thence forwarding to Danzig." The SAL perfin ties the revenue stamps to the document.

No 133845 \*

**EMBARKATION CHECK.**

To be detached on the dock on the day of sailing.

FULL NAME OF PASSENGER	Adults	Children	Children
	Age	Age	under 1 year
Mr. Einar Sorenson	ad.		
Mrs. Ina Sorenson	ad.		
Ina Sorenson		9	
Earl Sorenson		2	

Round Trip Excursion Booking in  
 Connection with Return ticket No. 6431

U. S. REVENUE TAX  
 \$ 16.<sup>00</sup> COLLECTED

STAMP WILL BE AFFIXED TO



Class III

Room No. 551 Berth

Amount paid, \$ 310.<sup>50</sup>

Steamer *Trafalgar*

Sailing date May 28th

FROM NEW YORK

To Aalborg, Denmark

Agency at MINNEAPOLIS, M.

Date of issue May 12



*R. Jensen* Agent.

TYPE II. Embarkation Check on unimprinted form of SCANDINAVIAN-AMERICAN LINE, New York City with SAL/+5.26.5 through two Scott #R244 and two Scott #242 for passage aboard Steamer United States to Aalborg, Denmark. The SAL perfin acts as a validating device tying the stamps to the passenger ticket. The revenues represented a form of collected "war tax."

Documentary stamps on them (Scott R242 and R244). All had the perfin SAL plus a four numeral date on the second line.

Not long ago an illustration and a short article by F. J. Miller explaining the find of an old embarkation coupon with the SAL perfin of the Scandinavian-American Line caught my eye. I immediately recognized the item illustrated as one from my cache of these old documents.

A second small illustration at the head of Miller's article showed a perfin reading SAL/12+94. The perfin had been punched squarely through the \$5.00 Documentary stamp - but from the illustration of the perfin on the document illustrating the article one could not determine if the punch had been used as a cancelling device tying stamp to document, or if the SAL perfin was a "true" perfin punched through the stamp only.

Knowing that I still had quite a bit of my hoard of these documents left, I located the box of old steamship tickets and proceeded to check

through each and every copy I had left. I quickly realized that the SAL perfin plus date was used as a validating device, and was not a "true" perfin.

At this point, I should mention that the SAL perfin assigned, number S27 in the Balough & Balough Catalog of United States Perfins, is not the same SAL straightline perfin used on these documents. The one in the Balough & Balough catalog is identified as belonging to the Swedish American Line, NYC, and is 7 millimeters high - while the SAL perfin of the Scandinavian-American Line is 6 millimeters high.

The documents themselves are an interesting record of the travels of certain persons going by steamship to Europe and Scandinavia in a much more relaxed age. The steamships encountered are the "United States", the "Frederik VIII", the "Hellig Olav", etc. Destination points included Danzig, Copenhagen, Malmo (Sweden), Abo (Finland), etc.

On many of the documents, there is a stamped reminder that "U. S. revenue tax \$\_\_\_\_\_ collected stamp affixed to revenue coupon". The \$5.00 stamps paid the tax for adults; the \$3.00 for juniors. The stamps were all then tied to the documents by a SAL perfin. The embarkation coupon was not valid without the tax stamps.

Should any Perfins Club member want one or more of these old documents with SAL perfin, they can be obtained by sending me \$3.00 plus \$.50 postage for each document wanted. My address is - 254 Park Avenue South, Penthouse F, New York, N. Y. 10010. Documents sent will be in good condition, and will have either one or two Documentary stamps attached. The documents illustrating this article with the multiples are unusual and scarce as such, and are retained in my own reference collection.

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## ANOTHER CATALOGED PERFIN

BY JACOB KISNER

In 1882, British Guiana was having a problem with people trying to defraud the post office by either introducing fakes of their typeset stamps or using stamps stolen from postal facilities. Scott has an interesting set listed as #s 103 to 106, four stamps in all, perforated "SPECIMEN" diagonally (4 1/2 mm x 26 mm, small holes) that were postally valid only when perforated. The curious thing, of course, is that the stamps were not specimens as such, but a perforator that was handy was used to control an issue that had been subject to fraud.

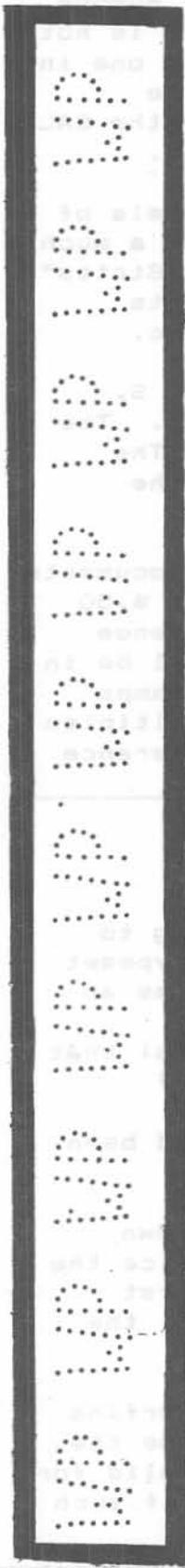
Gibbons notes that the perfin "SPECIMEN" on these stamps is known double, and all catalogs listing these issues also list and price the stamps without perfin. It is possible that the stamps were first released without perfin, and running into some kind of trouble, the postal authorities used a control in the form of the perfin "SPECIMEN". Whether these stamps with perfin were accepted in international mails is another story, and perhaps some other Perfins Club member might have the information on this. I would imagine the precaution taken of using such a perfin would make the issue valid for local use only. It would be interesting to see one on cover, if such cover exists.



## A WESTERN PACIFIC QUESTION

BY PAUL NISTRETTA (FROM AN ILLUSTRATION SENT IN BY BOB GRAY)

Bob Gray (LM-80) has sent the following item which proved to be very interesting. The illustrated strip of 10 is of the Western Pacific patterns cataloged as W154A and W154B (Railroad catalog numbers R197 and R198). The strip appears to have been punched by a 10 die perforator. Mr. Gray was concerned that there were two separate catalog numbers for these patterns.



Using the definition of pattern published in last month's Bulletin, we see here a 10 PATTERN strip. The strangest feature of this strip is the 9:1 ratio of the current B:A patterns. The A pattern has an additional pin in the W when compared to the B pattern. Do we assume that 9 of 10 heads on the perforator are broken from their original configuration, and that the same pin broke on all 9?? Not likely. Sabotage of the heads? Again, not likely.

Observations on this strip:

-- My conclusion that this is a 10 die perforator is supported by a couple of facts; first, all patterns appear in the same orientation; second, the A pattern appears only once in the strip as does the true broken pin variety showing in position 7; and third, there are several other distinct (see later comments) non repeating patterns in the strip. Thus, 10 distinct dies.

-- If you haven't separated the cataloged patterns yet, the A pattern is the leftmost perfin in the strip.

-- The 9:1 ratio is consistent with the relative ratings; the B pattern is rated F, the A pattern A.

-- Those patterns which would be cataloged as W154B right are actually a set of obviously different patterns.

-- The most obvious unrecognized difference is the position of the topmost pin in the vertical stroke of the P; those in perfin #2, 5, 7 and 8 (from the left) show a distinctly low pin in this position.

-- The vertical stroke of the P in perfin #6 is not in good alignment; the top three holes do not line up with the bottom three.

-- The gap between the 3rd and 4th pins in the bow of the P is inconsistent; it is most emphasized in the 4th pattern, and least obvious in patterns 8 and 9.

From this discussion it should be obvious that, while Bob questioned cataloging two different patterns from this strip, my conclusion is that there should actually be eight more. I will leave final disposition of these comments to the US Catalog Committee headed by Joe Baalough. But what IS the explanation for the one oddball (W154A) perfin in this strip of W154B's? Suggestions?

**MORE DUTCH PAPER USER PERFINS**

Willem A. Smetsers (#1692) has sent in the following two comments about the Van Oudenaider article (PB 37:77-81.):

-- The perfin OG should be added to the list of paper related perfins on POKO's. It was used by the publisher of the newspaper "Handelsbelangen".

-- The user of the perfin E.S. is Emmanuel Smeets (not F. Smets as reported).

To substantiate both these comments Mr. Smetsers submitted copies of the two covers reproduced below.

Thanks for the update!



**AND AN AD...**

**WANTED: LATVIA perfins in any quantity on or off cover. Will buy them outright. I. Rozenthals, Box 5403, San Mateo, CA 94402.**

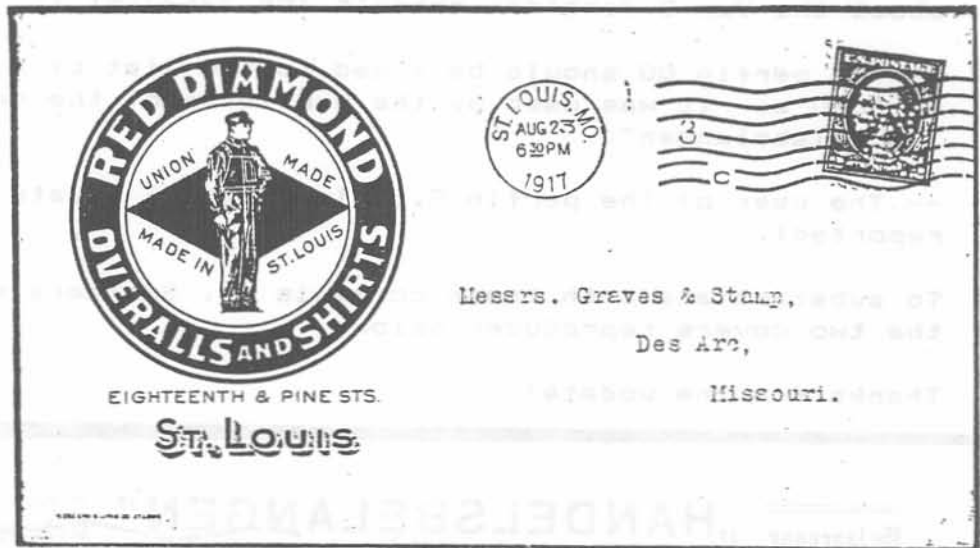
RED DIAMONDS . . .

BY HARRY RICKARD

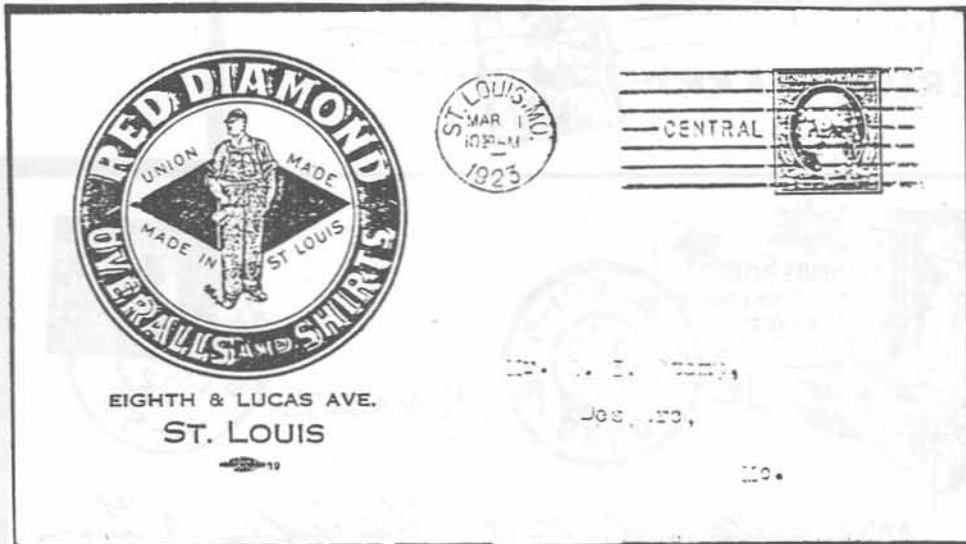
These large red, white and blue logos always attract attention when exhibited.

Several interesting things happened between the 1917 and 1925 covers.

The overalled man of 1917 stands with his left arm at his side while holding a wrench in his right. He is wearing a full formed cap and looks left.



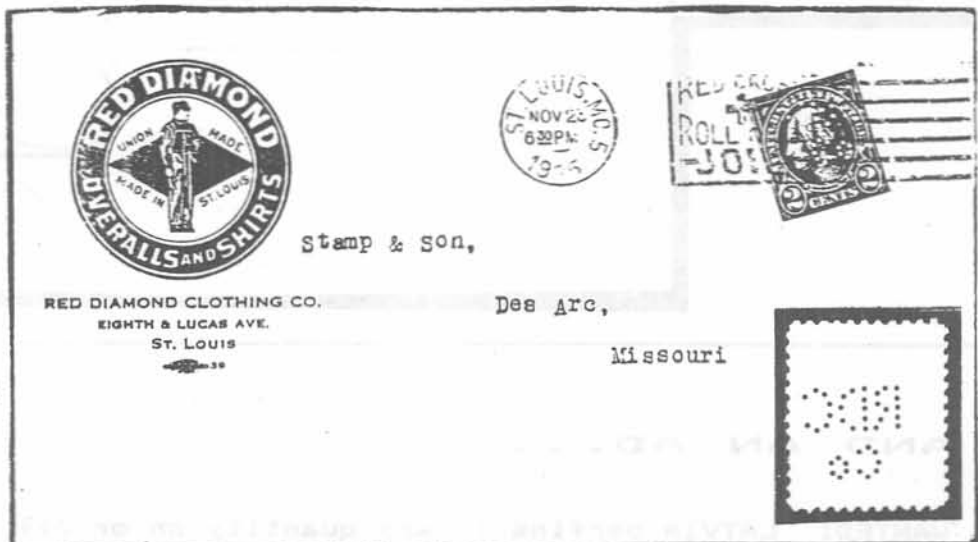
Messrs. Graves & Stamp,  
Des Arc,  
Missouri.



The 1923 cover shows the firms new address and a new man. Note the rolled up sleeves and the oil can in the right hand. The overalls are better fitting and with his new hat he is looking right.

After the war, and higher prices, the large logo was reduced and the 1917 man reappears. The firms name has been added but the 1923 address remains.

The three covers show changes in the ownership of the recipient; beginning as a partnership, then a solo (1923), and finally with a son (1925).








Stamp & son,  
Des Arc,  
Missouri

The only constant was the perfin (R46).

*Ecuador*


Perfins have been found on Educadoran postal issues from 1911 to 1925 and on fiscals from at least 1913 to 1924. Two perfins appear on postal issues and one probable addition. Three are found on fiscals, one of those a probable cancelling device. ANULADO and PAGADO in various styles and punch holes in various shapes are also found on both postal and fiscal stamps.

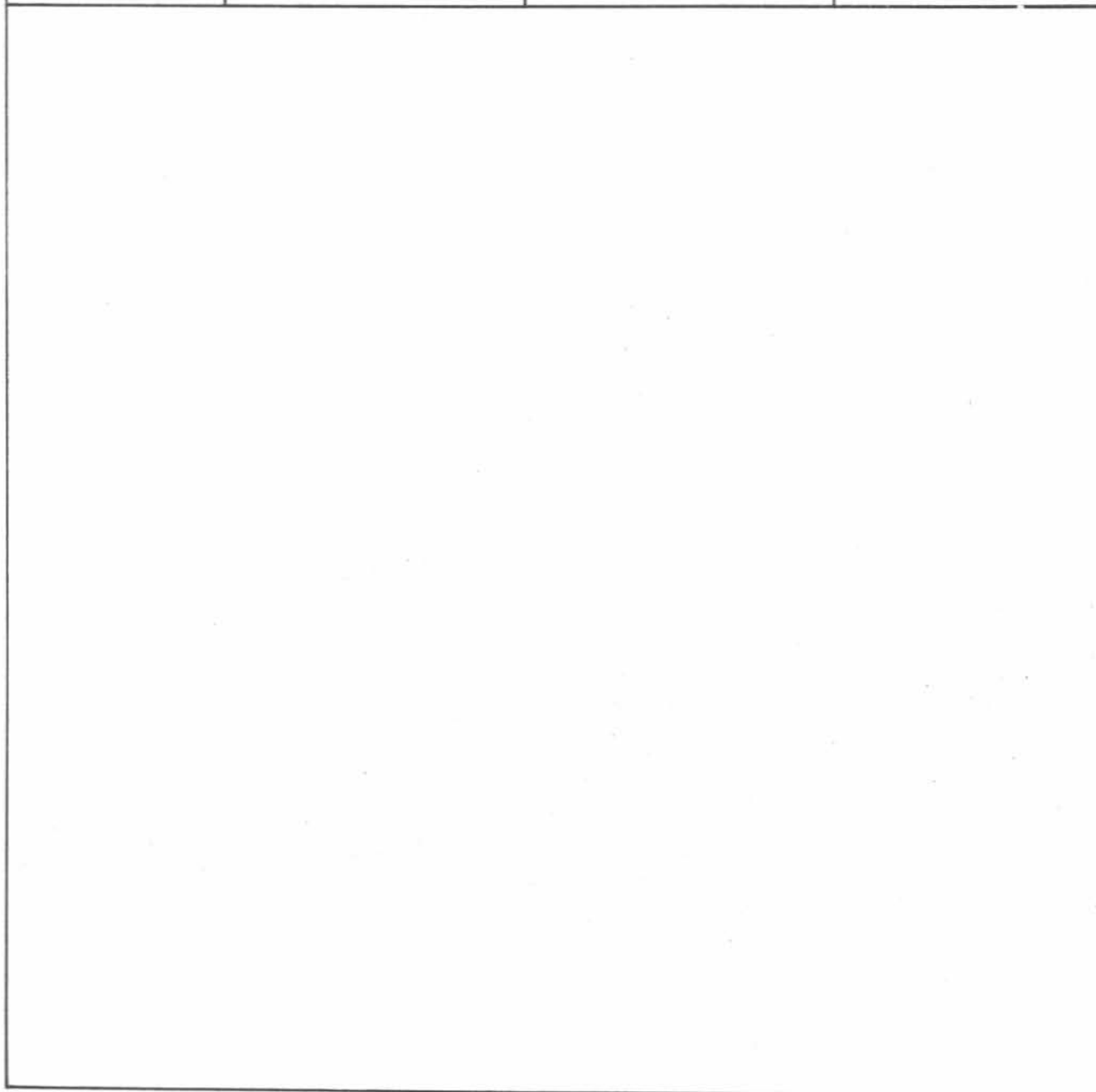
	<p>1 A</p> <p>Banco de Ecuador Guayaquil</p>		<p>1 B</p> <p>Banco de Ecuador</p>
	<p>2 A</p>		<p>2 B</p>
<p>SMCO</p>	<p>3 A</p> <p>Tentative classification</p>		<p>3 B</p> <p>Incomplete (?) Tracing</p>

SPECIMEN COLUMBIAN BANK NOTE CO. CHICAGO  
is also found on fiscal issues

*Paraguay*

A recent discovery of a Paraguay perfin on a postal item of the 1890s is a duplicate of a design used on the stamps of Uruguay. One questionable design used on a fiscal issue is probably a time-dated cancelling device.

St&Co	1 A  Scott 34		1 B  Tentative classification
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# THE SECRETARY'S REPORT

THE SECRETARY IS RALPH W. SMITH. RRI BOX 397. DRYDEN. ME 04225

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- 2330 Drell, Dee D., 2015 Albert St., Alexandria, LA 71301  
Beginner World by Smith
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Beginner France & Germany by Timmerman

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- 978 Irv Wittow, 604 W. Wyoming, Cincinnati, OH 45215
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Canada L4X 1N7
- 1874 Franklin R. Visser, 39 Oriole St., Franklin, NH 03235
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## MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY

Members as of May 31, 1984	861
New Members	+ 3
Resigned	- 6
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Members as of June 30, 1984	858

Ralph included a THANK YOU with this report. It read:

"Thanks to everyone who responded so promptly to the dues reminder cards and a special thanks to those who contributed cash and postage "to help defray the costs of the system." Also, thanks are in order for the notes and enclosures. It is physically impossible to answer each directly, much as I wish I could."

Bob Schwerdt (Foreign Catalog Editor) is planning a new census of foreign perfins this fall. If you have any suggestions for changing the census forms to make them easier to use (see PB Jul/Aug 1977 for previous form), or for making the results easier to read (see PB Feb 1978) let Bob know -- promptly -- at 9 Memory Lane, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603.

**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 bid 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 damage. In larger lots, mixes, etc., incomplete perfins, splits, and duplicates are to be expected.

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Regular stamps between Scott 331 and 546 are listed "as is" and are not returnable if the Scott number is not correctly listed. Lots are returnable if the Perfins Catalog number is incorrect; HOWEVER, LOTS MUST BE RETURNED WITHIN THREE DAYS OF RECEIPT!!! All lots are to be paid for within three days of receipt. Foreign catalog numbers used are those of recognized catalogs available to members through the Perfins Club Library.

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#### ABBREVIATIONS.

am = air mail	hd = heavy duplicates	pp = parcel post iss
blk = block	hi = extra heavy ink showing on the back of the stamp	sd = special delivery stamp
cd = post card	ho = hole out (hole at stamp margin not complete)	se = straight edge(s) # = number of se
comm = commemorative stamp	inc = incomplete pat	sp = split perfin(s)
cp = clipped corner	iss = issue(s)	stp = stamp
cr = creased stamp	lp = light punch; holes barely seen	str = strip of stamps
cv = cover	m = mint	s-t = stock transfer iss
dam = slight damage such as a small tear, corner off, etc.	mg = monogram	th = thinned stamp(s)
diag = diagonal pat	mix = mixture	tp = triple punched pattern
dif = different	nr = no rating	tr = tear in stamp
dp = double punch of the pattern	ovpt = overprint	unl = unlisted in cat
for = foreign	pat = pattern(s)	v = variety; 1 or more holes do not match catalog illustration
h;1h; 2h; etc. = perfin pat inc by one hole; two holes; etc.	pb = plate block(s)	wgt = weight
	pc = precancelled	
	pr = pair of stamps	

#### MAIL BIDS TO AUCTION CHAIRMAN:

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2 A33 cp	B 632	58 C73.5 5ho	B 1294	114 G7	B 332
3 A40	D 308	59 C98 cr	B 468	115 G14	C 731
4 A42	C 375	60 C104	B 377	116 G29	B 332
5 A46X	B 567	61 C128 2se	B 332	117 G60 1ho	B 332
6 A76	E 319	62 C121 dam	B 908	118 G62	D 498
7 A121.2	C 720	63 C152-B21 se	B 425	119 G72-50	B 808
8 A156	B 515	64 C153	C 649	120 G83	C 499
9 A161	C 567	65 C154	D 807	121 G83	C 406
10 A174 cp	B 332	66 C171 se	B 332	122 G83	C 406
11 A184.5 m	C 554	67 C178 2se	B 377	123 G83	C 406
12 A193 cv	D 557	68 C178 se	B Q5	124 G95	B 530
13 A212	C 634	69 C178 3ho	B 376	125 G95 3se	B 332
14 A212	C E15	70 C178 se	B 379	126 G97.7	nr 554
15 A219 5h	B 375	71 C196	C 719	127 G137	C 319
16 A221-44A 4h	B 807	72 C199	B 332	128 G138.5	B 1286
17 A221-44A	B 811	73 C221	C 339	129 G13E.5	B 1286
18 A233.5 cd E 8cent	B 499	74 C237	C 700	130 G140	B 375
19 A253	B 499	75 C247	B 554	131 G140	B 332
20 A270-8	B 433	76 C249 m pb	C 529	132 G179	C 374
21 A273 dp	C 641	77 C250	B 504	133 G205	B 557
22 A285	D 808	78 C250	B 378	134 H30 cp	B 469
23 B14	D 711	79 C322 3ho	B 332	135 H44	B 334
24 B14	D 868	80 C360	E Q2	136 H44 se	B 376
25 B16	B 377	81 C364	C 416	137 H77 hi	B 332
26 B22	D 564	82 C364	C 367	138 H92	C 398
27 B86.7 m	C 1044	83 C377 pc	C 698	139 H93	B 406
28 B92	C 584	84 D.5	B 658	140 H105 se	B 425
29 B102 3se	B 502	85 D.5	B 709	141 H144	B 332
30 B107 hi	B Q2	86 D16	C 319	142 H159.5	E 638
31 B108 se	B 498	87 D73	C 375	143 H171	B 499
32 B120 hi	E 346	88 D73	C 332	144 H206	C 810
33 B123 cp	C 508	89 D76	C 332	145 I.5 2blk	E 1290
34 B123	C 712	90 D76	C 375	146 I5 m pb	F 804
35 B139	E 397	91 D95	C 346	147 I24 2se	B 319
36 B142	A 332	92 E6	B 332	148 I25 se	B 332
37 B144	B 637	93 E55	B 427	149 I49	B 807
38 B151	B 370	94 E70.5 cd	E UX65	150 I58 se	C 462
39 B215	E Q8	95 E70.5 cv	E 1434	151 I58 se	C 462
40 B247	C 829	96 E87 dam	C 714	152 I93 hi	B 464
41 B247.5	C 506	97 E87.5 se	B 375	153 I98	B 583
42 B247.5	C 501	98 E101.5	B 562	154 J3	B 332
43 B253.5	B 720	99 E113	C 610	155 J55.7 tp	E 1311
44 B263 se	C 397	100 F6	B 376	156 J57	B 378
45 B290	C 375	101 F30	B 562	157 J113	C 499
46 C8	C 811	102 F34.5 dam	B 634	158 J116 dam	B 381
47 C8	C 1106	103 F83	B 425	159 J127	B 332
48 C10	C 1031	104 F90	E C4	160 J140	C 398
49 C17	B 514	105 F99.7	nr 636	161 J141.5 6ho	B 462
50 C25.5	B 463	106 F132	C 573	162 K7 1h	B 332
51 C26 cr	B 331	107 F145 dam	D Q6	163 K29	D 332
52 C30 pc	C 506	108 F145	D Q5	164 K41 se	C Q3
53 C37	B 332	109 F145	D Q4	165 K45 se dam	B 569
54 C37	B 375	110 F151.5 pc	B 554	166 K47	C 504
55 C38	B 332	111 F153	E C11	167 L17 tp	D C19
56 C66 sp 4h	B 514	112 F214	B 463	168 L22	C C33



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172	L53	B 815	237	N113Cc3	C 558	292	T26	C 332
173	L63	C 332	238	N113Cc11	C 566	293	T43.5	C 403
174	L81	C 618	239	N123 dp	E 789	294	T47 pc	E 804
175	L82	C 398	240	N140	C 825	295	T68	C 331
176	L88	C 697	241	N143	B 829	296	T73	B 332
177	L107 dam	B 332	242	N152	C 555	297	T73	B 375
178	L109	B 517	243	N190	C 375	298	T73 th	B 331
179	L133	C 333	244	N191	C 720	299	T76	C 406
180	L140	B 406	245	N201	C 564	300	T80	C 406
181	L150	C 406	246	N202	C 331	301	T86	C 331
182	L160	C 375	247	N205-2	C 900	302	T108.5 pc	D 679
183	L172	B 332	248	N206.5	C 1036	303	T109.5	B 319
184	L185.5 se	B 503	249	036	C 375	304	T117	C 406
185	M17	C 698	250	050	D 719	305	U4	C 711
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188	M27 pc	C 684	253	094	D 717	308	U50 se	C 375
189	M66	B 462	254	P3	B 332	309	U80 3h	C 566
190	M77	B 406	255	P5.5 cr pc	A 552	310	U85 th	C 406
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200	M95 4h pc	B 509	257	P55.4	C 804	312	U97	B 374
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203	M123.5	A 810	260	P69 1h	C 375	315	V6	C 556
204	M141	B 300	261	P79	B 375	316	V8 pc	C 805
205	M146	C 375	262	P102 v	C 639	317	V26	C 503
206	M181 2h	B 698	263	P111	C 332	318	V29.5	C 406
208	M189 pr	C 721	264	P121.5	C 642	319	W1	C 811
209	M194 1h	C 501	265	P128	C 375	320	W7 se	E 319
210	M197	C 332	266	P128	C 375	321	W19	C 567
211	M204	B 332	267	P152 dp	E C11	322	W19	C 571
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215	M238	C 375	271	P252	C 332	326	W56	C 375
216	M244	C 374	272	P103 blk10	C 418	327	W68	C C19
217	M271 se	B 811	273	R104	C 405	328	W80	F Q1&2
218	M277	C 332	274	R136	C 335	329	W118.5 se	C 503
219	M283 dam	B 332	275	R161	C 568	330	W128	C 610
220	M301	C 332	276	S2-34	E Q2	331	W129 se 1h	C 398
221	M302.5 5h	B 406	277	S2-41	B 554	332	W129	C 397
222	M305 2se	B 332	278	S21	C 431	333	W133	C 406
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226	N104.4	B 806	282	S86	B 632	337	W160	C 331
227	N113.5A	D C8	283	S87	B 375	338	W162 se	C 406
228	N113Aa13	B 406	284	S190	B 332	339	W199-3.5 v	C 708
229	N113ABb3	C 811	285	S191	F 1489-	340	W199-8 2se	C 562
230	N113ABb4	C 817	complete set 1498			341	W199-14	C 405
231	N113ABb12	C 558	286	S196	C 557	342	W199-17.5	C 707
232	N113ABb13	C 814	287	S198	C 332	343	W199-18	C 406
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348 W203-3	C 499	399 15pat 14xmas stp		438 C3	351
349 W203-5	C 406	400 25pat 25comm		439 C3	341
350 W203-9	C 375	401 Mix 15 blk		440 C6	107
351 W220	B 375	402 Mix 50		441 C7	104
352 W227	C 634	403 Mix 100 E		442 C12i	197
353 Y11	E Q1	404 Mix 85 dif E.		443 C16	233
354 DES.1	D 499	405 Mix 1200		444 C28	108
355 DES.12	D 561	406 Mix 200 D		445 D5	166
356 DES.29	C 463	407 Mix 285 dif E		446 E2 8hole high	166
357 DES.36	C 905	408 Mix 600 300+pat		447 G5	107
358 DES.39	C 507	409 Mix 67 blk4&4+ E		448 N1	106
359 DES.40.5	B 567	410 Mix 18 dif blk D		449 N10B5	248
360 DES.44	C 1276	411 Mix 8 dif blk C		450 O1	198
361 DES.44.5	E 1508	412 Mix 226 blk4-12		451 O1	198
		58 pats		452 O1	202
SCHERMACKS		413 Mix 33blk4 & 4+ F		453 O1 str3	190
362 1	384			454 O1 pr	168
363 8	344	DOCUMENTARY STAMPS		455 O6	E10
364 11	344	414 C93.5 \$5 s-t		456 O5 5hole var	224
365 13	408	415 C209 \$2 NY s-t		457 O5 4hole var	E10
366 13	409	416 F218 \$3 NY s-t		458 Q1	252
367 14	344	417 J175 \$2 NY s-t		459 R7	108
368 14	344	418 BLATZ Fed.Bev.Wis		460 S10	217
369 15	344			461 S11	197
370 16	344	ARGENTINA		462 S11	164
371 19 paste up	343	419 B6	427	463 T6	248
372 21	384	420 B17	222		
373 24	344	421 P4	448	COSTA RICA	
374 30	344			464 Star (offic)	083
375 34	344	AUSTRALIA			
376 34	343	422 OS 12h 0;11h S 20		CZECHOSLOVAKIA	
377 34	344	423 OS 18h 0;17h S 6		465 C24	88
378 41	344	424 OS/NSW	26	466 K14	196
379 44	344			467 P3	167
380 45	343	AUSTRIA		DENMARK	
381 45	343	425 VOC mg	234	468 A43	225
382 53	344	426 A.OE.B	120	469 B26 3h	40
383 59	343	427 H.&S.	309	470 DES.4	440
384 59	344	428 L.B	341	471 Mix 44stp 35pat	
385 65	343	429 M.&C.	331		
386 65	343	430 P.	115	EGYPT	
387 65	343	431 P.	115	472 C2	49
388 65	344	432 P.V.G./K	242	473 C5	234
389 69	344	433 WBV	49	474 T1	52
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394 COMPEI SEPT 9, 1966 1193 (ille- gal pat)		BELGIUM		477 C.N.	267
		435 J36	Q145	478 CNE dp	261
395 Mix	C	BULGARIA		479 K.P dp	299
396 F161 N147 & U100		436 PHP	J36	480 M	123

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485 Mix 42stp 36pat		539 V36	66	583 B/Ltd pr	66
		540 W30	130	584 C.I.E.	109
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486 A323	375	542 DES.77	395	586 C.I.E.	111
487 A342	375	543 Mix 450		587 GA/Co	68
488 A660	377			588 GSR	68
489 A725	356	GREAT BRITAIN		589 IAO 1h	68
490 B24	124	544 B23.3 2se	2c BL		
491 B483	458	545 B23.3 se	1c RD	ITALY	
492 C26	374	546 B300	1c RD	590 B18	105
493 C118	178	547 C96.1	1c RD	591 E6	785
494 C403	422	548 C184.2	1c RD	592 E6	787
495 C476	323	549 F&S unlist	1c RD		
496 D30	393	550 G162	1c RD	LUXEMBOURG	
497 D102	395	551 G435.1	1c RD	593 W.L.	64
498 D129	66	552 G435.2	1c RD		
499 D371	664	553 H25	1c RD	NETHERLANDS	
500 D433	332	554 H749.1	2c BL	594 A28	119
501 E198	422	555 J307A	1c RD		
502 E262.7	67	556 J780.1	1c RD	NEWFOUNDLAND	
503 E296	48	557 J841.1 se	1c RD	595 A8	135
504 F15	416	558 K148 se	1c RD	596 A9	191
505 F325	48	559 L392.3	137		
506 F391	377	560 L583.1	2c BL	PERU	
507 G515	333	561 M24 se	1c RD	597 D.F.C.	242
508 G663	82	562 M499.6	1c RD		
509 H137	368	563 P270 4se	32	POLAND	
510 H136	371	564 R489	1c RD	598 VCO/D mg	226
511 H157	372	565 S205.2	1c RD		
512 H177	324	566 S642B	1c RD	ROMANIA	
513 H391	384	567 S715.5 dam	1c RD	599 B30 v	141
514 H391	384	568 T341.3	1c RD	600 B30 v	127
515 K207	340	569 W310.1	1c RD		
516 K377	353	570 DES.42 <i>red</i>	1c RD	SPAIN	
517 K339	48	571 DES.71 <i>red</i>	1c RD	601 BE/RP	298
518 K361	331	572 Mix 1300			
519 K361	333	573 Mix 149		STRAITS SETTLEMENTS	
520 L26 1h	368	574 Mix 100 dif		602 MBI	195
521 L39	100				
522 L74	326	GUATEMALA		SWITZERLAND	
523 L250	374	575 OFICIAL	213	603 D16	332
524 M2	417			604 D19	146
525 M554 corn cut	354	HONG KONG		605 E16	183
526 M471	88	576 H8	197&198	606 F14	115
527 O13	356			607 F14	146
528 P16	374	HUNGARY		608 H8	180
529 P101	376	577 E25	89	609 R4	175
530 R184	012	578 H28	396	610 S31	167
531 R236	375	579 K6	434	611 T12	164
532 R259	349	580 W5	89	612 V1	180
533 R314	326	581 W10 8h	73	613 V8	164
534 S45	379			614 DES.20	174

LOT CAT #	SC#	LOT CAT #	SC#	LOT CAT #	SC#
615 DES.20	180	621 DES.33	174	625 Star punch	271
616 DES.22	137	622 DES.37	174		
617 DES.23	168	623 DES.9 9h+ cf/S001		626 For. Mix. 700stp	
618 DES.24	148	624 DES.9 9h+ cf/S001		627 For. Mix. 70stp	
619 DES.26	139			628 For. Mix. 100stp	
620 DES.28	168	URUGUAY			

## AND SOME COLLECTIONS FOR AUCTION...

(CLOSES NOVEMBER 1, 1984; BIDS TO JACK GOODING; AS FOR OTHER LOTS BID BY LOT TITLE)

### COLL #1 -- GREAT BRITAIN

Over 5100 different patterns mounted on Tilles catalog pages; approx. 150 of them not listed. Good material, fewer than 100 split, incomplete or damaged. In binders.

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Over 2100 stamps mounted on black paper, face down. Approx. 180 incomplete, splits, or damaged. May be some small duplication, but very few. No binders.

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RESERVE \$600.00

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Mixture of over 880 different patterns, over 9500 stamps by weight. Mostly very good material, a few B rated, mostly D's and E's with some C's.

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### COLL #5 -- DENMARK

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RESERVE \$240.00

## CONGRATULATIONS RUDY

Congratulations are due to Rudy Roy #1124 on the recent publication of the second part of his research into the stamps of Cuba. The work (Jones, W.M.; Roy, Rudy. Handbook of Cuba. Part 2. 43p.) was recently reviewed in Linn's Stamp News. As reported in Linn's this work describes in detail the stamps, stationery, fakes and forgeries of the period of the US administration of Cuba from late 1898 to May 20, 1902. Punched for three ring binder. (Both parts 1 and 2 are available from Rudy's coauthor W. M. Jones, Box 2284 Winter Park, FL 32790; \$10 each volume.)

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## PHILATELIC SHOW '84 IS HERE

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The show will be held in the Plaza Castle of the Park Plaza Hotel on Columbus Ave., Boston. Times are Friday from noon to 6 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. till 6 p.m., and Sunday 11 a.m. till 4 p.m.

There will be an informal gathering of Club members on Saturday afternoon -- Bob Jones, the Club's representative, is coordinating this meeting and will post the time and place.

This will be the first opportunity since VAPEX in 1978 for Club members east of the Mississippi to get together at a show! So, all of you in the Boston area -- come on and enjoy yourselves with other "holey" collectors.

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## CANADIAN HANDBOOK GOING TO PRESS

Canadian representative William Brown writes to say that Jon Johnson (LM28) has written to him saying that the 4th edition of Canadian Stamps with Perforated Initials is very near completion. It is expected to be printed early this fall. The 32 page version is to be replaced with one which is expected to be in the 130 page range!

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## HALLOCK CARD AWARD NOMINATIONS

This is the last call for nominations to receive the Hallock Card Award. This award is presented annually to a member of the Club in recognition of significant contributions to the Club or to the hobby of perfins philately. Nominations should be sent to Rudy J. Roy, Jr. (Chairman of the Nominating Committee), P.O. Box 5367, Virginia Beach, VA 23456.

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## LAST CALL FOR DUES

This will also be the last Bulletin received by those who have as yet not paid this year's dues. So, if you haven't managed to get the check in the mail -- do it now before you forget and miss an issue or two. Mail dues to Ralph W. Smith, RR1 Box 397, Dryden, ME 04225. Thanks.

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IT WAS A VERY GOOD YEAR . . . . .

A SUMMARY . . AND AN APPEAL

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Summer is over. For most of us this means a little more time for stamp collecting. A brief review is in order.

Later in this Bulletin you will see the treasurer's semi annual report. Despite a major jump in publication costs, the Club is still in tremendous financial shape. In addition to Jack's report, Dick Mewhinney has recently written that the Sales Department is also in sound financial shape.

At the end of June, Ralph Smith summarized the membership information for the preceding year (July 1, 1983 to June 30, 1984). During that period the Club enrolled 105 new members and lost 58 people for a variety of reasons -- thus a net one year gain of 47 members.

The Bulletin is headed for its first ever 200 page year thanks to those of you who have provided the GREAT material for publication.

And, finally, two major projects are well started; the French catalog committee is being formed, Tim timmerman has provided us with an updated library list, and an update of the British catalog is underway.

So that is where we are -- now where do we go from here?

First of all volunteer to help with the cataloging efforts; British, French, or name your favorite country and start a cataloging effort for it!!

Second, send your duplicate stamps to the Sales Department (see page 177). Dick can always use more material, especially since several major accumulations donated to the Club have just about been exhausted.

Introduce your friends to perfin collecting!

And finally, KEEP THE CARDS AND LETTERS COMING! Without the help of the membership, this Bulletin could not have expanded to its current size or quality.

A sincere thank you from the Executive Committee to the membership for a very good year! Keep up the good work -- but enjoy it too!

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# THE CUBAN REPUBLIC'S FIRST POSTAL CARD

BY MARK R. TYX

When the supply of 1 centavo stamps (Scott #227) was exhausted due to a contest sponsored by El Figaro, a Habana newspaper, Cuban Postmaster General Fernando Figueredo ordered the local surcharging of 200,000 surplus 3 centavo stamps (Scott #229) revalued to 1 centavo (Scott 232) in order to meet the unexpected demand for additional 1 centavo postage stamps. Both major and minor surcharge varieties occurred due to lack of proper equipment and the rush to complete this task. The first postage stamp of the young Republic of Cuba, a provisional issue (Scott #232), went on sale September 30, 1902 and the entire stock of overprinted stamps was sold out to collectors, speculators, and the general public by October 2.

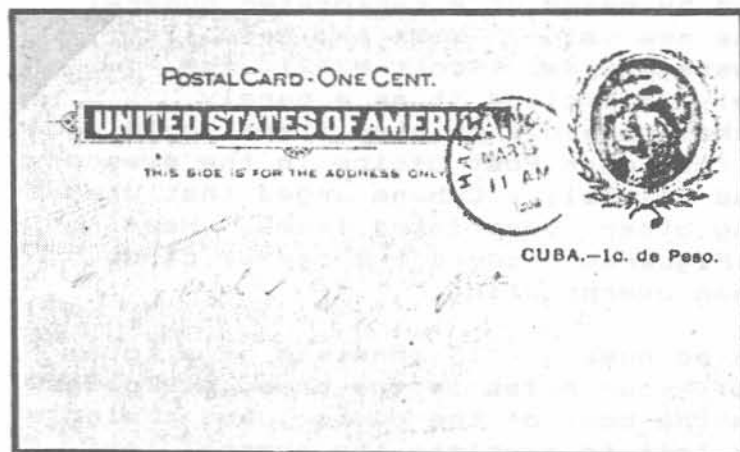


Figure 1

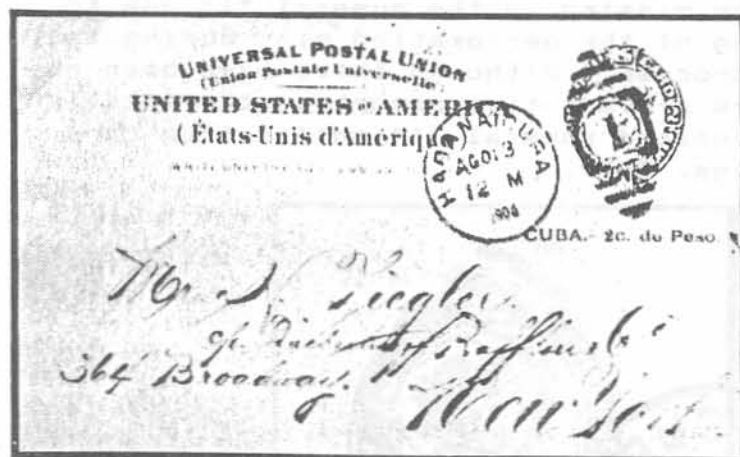


Figure 2

The Cuban Republic's first postal card (H&G #38) had its origin under similar circumstances. When the U. S. Post Office Department relinquished its control of the island's postal system, Cuban postal officials continued using the two U. S. postal cards overprinted for Cuba under American administration. The U. S. 1c black postal card (UPSS S-17, H&G 36) overprinted "CUBA.-1c. de Peso" (fig. 1) was utilized for domestic purposes while the U. S. 2c black postal card (UPSS S-20, H&G 37) overprinted "CUBA.-2c. de Peso" (fig. 2) was intended for overseas communications. Sometime in late 1903 Cuban postal authorities realized that the supply of 1c. de Peso overprinted postal cards was soon to be depleted. This particular card was popular with the general public because it afforded a fast, inexpensive way of acknowledging business transactions, advertising goods and services, announcing club and social functions, and contacting friends and relatives. Until new 1 centavo

and 2 centavo postal cards could be ordered and issued by the Republic, it was decided to create a provisional 1 centavo postal card by perforating a numeral "1" over the 2c. of the "2c. de Peso." overprint of the H&G 37 postal card (fig.3). Unlike its adhesive counterpart, there was no previous announcement concerning the revaluation and distribution of this item to either philatelists or the general public. As a result, the Cuban Republic's first postal card, a provisional issue, went virtually unnoticed.



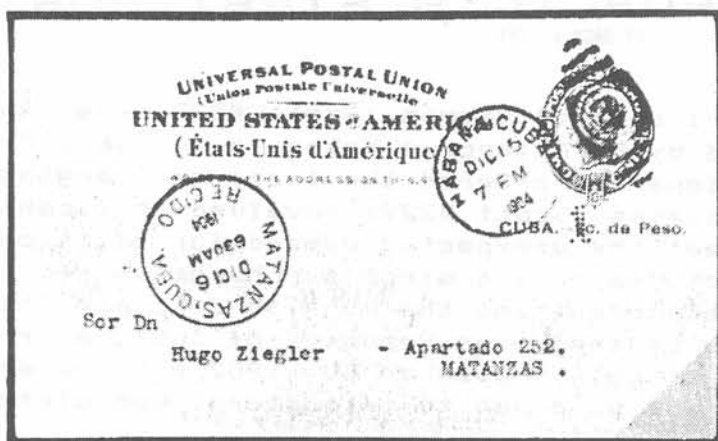


Figure 3

Why were the postal cards revalued by means of a perforated numeral instead of merely overprinting the new value? When the Republic released its first provisional postage stamp (Scott #232), the worldwide philatelic press severely criticized it as a purely speculative issue. Recognizing that more overprinted items would further damage the reputation of the Cuban Post Office in the eyes of the philatelic world, The Sociedad Filatelica Cubana urged that utmost care be exercised to avoid issuing other overprinted items. Heeding this warning, Postmaster General Figuerdo ordered the postal cards revalued by perforation rather than overprinting.

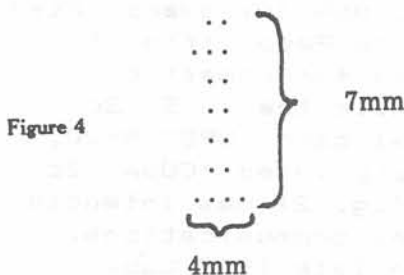


Figure 4

The perforated numeral "1" consists of a total of 17 holes: four holes in the base, six pairs of holes in the body of the number, and a single hole on the left to complete the numeral, as illustrated in Figure 4. Often one or more holes may be missing in the numeral "1" due to the breaking of the perforating pins during the revaluing process. Although there have been no major errors or varieties reported, the location of the perforated numeral "1" shifts from card to card (figs. 5-7).



Figure 5  
Numeral Shifted Upward

Figure 6  
Numeral in Center



Figure 7  
Numeral Shifted Downward

The exact quantity of these provisional postal cards has never been revealed. An extract from an official letter of Cuban Postmaster General Figueredo indicates that the revaluing process was ongoing and would cease upon arrival of the new 1 centavo card. It is quite likely that records were never kept on the number of cards perforated. From the perspective of a postal stationery collector, both mint and used copies of H&G 38 are found less frequently than its contemporaries, H&G 36 and 37.

Thus far I have collected data on 21 used perf "1" postal cards:

Place of Dispatch	Date of Use	Place of Dispatch	Date of Use
Habana	January 20, 1904	Habana	October 31, 1904
Habana	February 3, 1904	Habana	November 21, 1904
Habana	March 28, 1904	Habana	November 24, 1904
Guanabacoa	April 11, 1904	Habana	December 5, 1904
Habana	April 11, 1904	Habana	December 13, 1904
Habana	April 21, 1904	Habana	December 15, 1904
Arroyo Naranjo	July 4, 1904	Habana	December 22, 1904
Habana	August 6, 1904	Habana	February 10, 1905
Habana	August 9, 1904	Guines	May 4, 1905
Habana	August 16, 1904	Trinidad	April 27, 1908
Habana	September 7, 1904		

Figure 8



As can be observed, the earliest known use for H&G 38 is January 20, 1904, although it is possible that there may be even an earlier date eventually reported during the first or second week of January 1904. It seems natural that most cards bear a Habana cancel since the greatest demand would logically be located in the metropolitan Habana area where population would be greatest and literacy rate highest. The rather late usage at Guines (fig. 8) can perhaps be attributed to a quantity of provisional postal cards remaining at a small rural post office even though the new regular 1 centavo postal card (fig. 9) was issued by the Republic during the first week of January 1905. The card cancelled in Trinidad on April 27, 1908 is an unusually late usage. It may have been sitting in the bottom of a desk drawer for a considerable amount of time before the owner noticed it and decided to use it. Also with the addition of 1 centavo in postage, the postal cards cancelled on August 16th, November 21st, December 5th, and December 22 were dispatched to overseas destinations; Berlin, Potsdam and Paris respectively.



Figure 9

Next time you read or hear about a Cuban postal card with a perforated numeral "1", you will know the story behind this unique piece of postal history.

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Editors note:

Thanks to Elwood Meschter (#1966) for bringing the above article to my attention. It is reprinted (with permission) from Postal Stationery Jan/Feb 1984:7-11. Thanks to Mark Tyx and Ross Towle (the editor of Postal Stationery) for their cooperation. Postal Stationery is the periodical publication of the United Postal Stationery Society. Further information about this group can be obtained from the UPSS Central Office, Box 48, Redlands, CA 92373.

## WHERE ARE THE SCHERMACKS?

Our long time members will remember the many years spent in identifying and finally rating US perfins. Now, only the Schermack patterns remain unrated.

Shown below is a listing of Schermack patterns by catalog numbers and quantities reported to date. Notice the zeros! Have these patterns been lost?

1	17	16	29	30	9	44	21	58	1	72	17
2	2	17	1	31	1	45	21	59	29	73	0
3	4	18	16	32	5	46	0	60	3	74	25
4	0	19	20	33	2	47	1	61	16	75	0
5	6	20	0	34	28	48	0	62	1	76	0
6	7	21	25	35	1	49	0	63	0	12-1	18
7	10	22	1	36	1	50	0	64	0	12-2	0
8	9	23	1	37	1	51	1	65	33	12-3	0
9	2	24	10	38	0	52	0	66	2	12-4	0
10	0	25	3	39	0	53	15	67	0	12-5	0
11	14	26	1	40	0	54	0	68	7	12-6	1
12	10	27	1	41	14	55	3	69	26	12-7	1
13	11	28	9	42	15	56	7	70	1	12-8	1
14	23	29	6	43	1	57	0	71	10	12-9	0
15	12	Experimental patterns				4					

Whoever has the missing ones, or didn't return a survey form, PLEASE list your Schermacks and send it in, so that we can accurately rate these items.

Mail your reports to Harry Rickard, 2163 Cumbre Pl., El Cajon, CA 92020.

Thanks!

## RESEARCHING PATTERN A176

BY HARRY RICKARD

An old Bulletin mentioned that pattern A176 was replaced in 1959 with a new perforator, because of missing pins. Thus, was born A176.5.

This recalled to mind my having a new variety of A176 that also fitted M18 except for two missing holes in the center of the M. So, checking my spare A176's, I found them postmarked from many cities.

A St. Louis copy matched the catalog picture, as did one from Milwaukee. However, Chicago and Poughkeepsie cancelled items did not match the catalog at all.

The new variety, shown on Scott 506, has a 1923 date and "SS" cancel, probably Mass. It gives a perfect match on M18 but not on A176.

The partial matches the new variety and M18, but not A176, showing M18 and the partial were produced by the same perforator losing its pins. Because some cities match and others don't, it is evident that the branch office machines were made over a period of years, as business grew. Templates were only used for multiple, simultaneous orders.

A difficult thing for many perfins collectors to learn, is how to properly check for new varieties. Bear in mind that any white space showing, would be metal on a perforator plate. For pins to penetrate holes, the fit must be exact. That's why pins and plates are drilled as a unit.

When overlaying a copy on a catalog picture, match one side, or a top or bottom of one letter, not the overall pattern. If alike, a perfect fit on any portion will automatically cover the remainder. If white space shows on any part of the pattern, you are seeing a different pattern.

Following these instructions, I show the following results:

When checking for new patterns similar to A176, carefully fit the lower right corner hole, then align the row. My new pattern shows the top hole of the M extending above that pictured for A176 and the M is narrower. Measuring confirms these observations.

The Chicago copy is wider than A176, M18 and the new variety; measurement also confirms this observation.

Summary: The new pattern appears to be a complete M18 and M18 appears to be a variety of this new pattern. The Chicago items appear to be a new pattern. Let me know of any town cancels you have.

P. S. - A good pocket size magnifying glass is needed for perfin examinations.



M18-new var. fits



new variety  
Scott 506






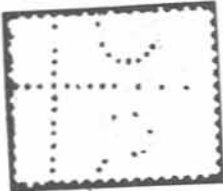
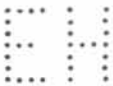




partial  
fits new var













Chicago  
diff. var

## Peru

Five types of Peruvian stamps are known to exist with perfinns: postal, air post, postal tax, postage due, and fiscal. The postage due stamps may have been perforated when they were used as postage because of a shortage of regular stamps. The postage series of 1918 appears to be the first with commercial perfinns. A block of four is needed to determine the exact design of A7. Various style punch holes are found on postal and fiscal issues, and a PAID punch is found on some fiscal stamps. B1-B3 vary slightly in the loops of the B and the shape of the T and are listed separately.

	<p>1 A</p> <p>Banco Mercantil Americano del Peru Lima</p>		<p>6 A</p> <p>Punch before being affixed to envelope</p> <p>Scott 215</p>
	<p>2 A</p> <p>Duncan Fox &amp; Company Lima</p>	 <p>7 A</p> <p>Scott 108</p>	
	<p>3 A</p> <p>Arequipa</p>		
	<p>4 A</p> <p>Gulda &amp; Hillmann Lima</p>		<p>1 B</p> <p>Banco Aleman Transatlantico Lima 1911-1940</p>
	<p>5 A</p> <p>Lima</p>		<p>2 B</p> <p>Banco Aleman Transatlantico Lima 1911-1940</p>

*Peru, continued*

	<p>3 B</p> <p>Banco Aleman Transatlantico Lima 1911-1940</p>		<p>9 B</p>
	<p>4 B</p> <p>Banco Mercantil Americano del Peru</p>		<p>10 B</p>
	<p>5 B</p> <p>Chase National Bank (Tentative) See Brazil B4</p>		<p>11 B</p> <p>Tracing 1899 Fiscal</p>
	<p>6 B</p>		<p>12 B</p> <p>1891 Fiscal</p>
	<p>7 B</p>	<p>1 C</p> <p>SPECIMEN C. SKIPPER &amp; EAST</p>	
	<p>8 B</p>		

SPECIMEN COLUMBIAN BANK NOTE CO. CHICAGO  
is also found on fiscal issues.

UNOFFICIAL PERFIN USE -- ONE EXPLANATION

BY ELWOOD HESCHER

Like the Baughers I try to attend flea markets looking for stamps on cover. At a church sale near Kankakee, Ill., I found two post cards with perfins, both obviously unauthorized usage.

One postmarked HERSCHER, ILL. has a copy of A22, "AAM" from Acetylene Chemical Co., Chicago, and the other is F221, Fidelity & Casualty Co., New York, on a card postmarked Buffalo.

The first usage is very curious since Herscher is a small country village, a farming community, about 15 miles west of Kankakee and nearly 100 miles south of Chicago. It is difficult to visualize how a chemical company's stamp could get into the hands of what appears to be a farm laborer. On the other hand, the young man "Dick" may have been an insurance agent who used company stamps to write his "dearie".

When I was a salesman for Link-Belt Co. in Chicago, it was a regular practice for the cashier to issue perfinned stamps to each salesman to insure that he would make daily reports from whatever city he was visiting. While you were supposed to return the excess stamps, the cashier's control often wasn't too strict. Thus, it was possible that a salesman would use company stamps on personal mail.





## A NEW PATTERN FOR SECURITY PURPOSES



Thanks to the initiative of Cora Davison (#1402) and her husband Merle we have some unusually complete information about a new "W(U)" pattern which is now being used by the University of Wisconsin in Madison. After seeing a brief article (reproduced below) which appeared in the Wisconsin State Journal on May 29, 1984, the Davisons wrote the University for more information.

The Assistant Risk Manager of the University responded to the Davison's request for information. In part she wrote:

"During calendar year 1982, the University of Wisconsin-Madison was plagued by a series of stamp thefts totalling more than \$8,000. Out of concern for this problem, a stamp perforator was purchased from the Cummins-Allison Corporation, Chicago, Illinois. The machine is a Model 385 and is capable of perforating 3-4 sheets at one time with a field of 15 standard issue stamps.

"The machine was ordered in September, 1982, arrived in January, 1983 and was first used in February, 1983.

"It is required that all departments which purchase stamps, perforate them. Due to the volume of postage used, some departments use postage meters - some departments have begun this practice since the arrival of the perforator, citing the inconvenience of perforating stamps. In number, however, these departments are in the minority.

".... Perforated stamps are readily identifiable as property of the University and are much more difficult to get rid of as a "fencible" item, both of which seem to have contributed to the reduction in stamp thefts. Since July, 1983, UW-Madison has had no stamp thefts."

An instruction sheet printed by the Office of Business Services of the University (undated) required that: "Effective February, 1983, all postage stamps purchased by Madison Campus departments must be perforated to indicate restrictive use for University of Wisconsin purposes only".

### UW thieves change taste during 1983

Thieves on the University of Wisconsin-Madison campus changed their preference last year from stamps to electronic balances, according to the 1983 annual report issued by University Police and Security.

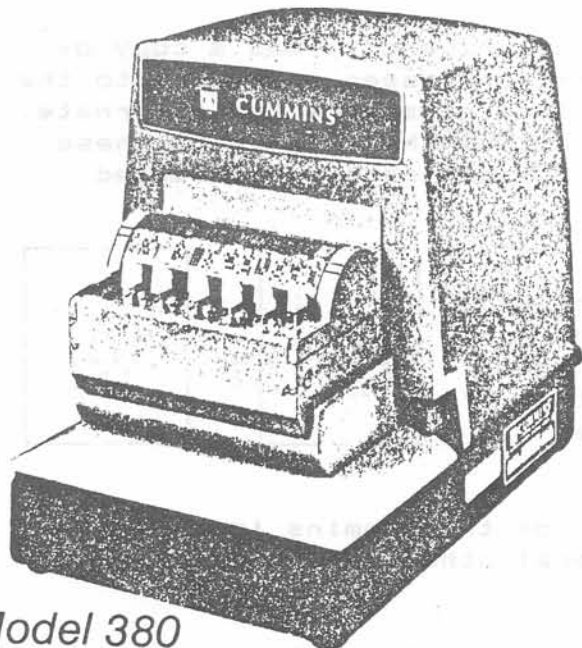
Although more than \$8,000 worth of stamps were stolen in 1982, that amount was reduced to \$3,500 worth taken last year due to the purchase of a stamp perforator, which makes stamps purchased by the university easy to identify.

All the stamps stolen last year were purchased before the perforator was acquired, the report said.

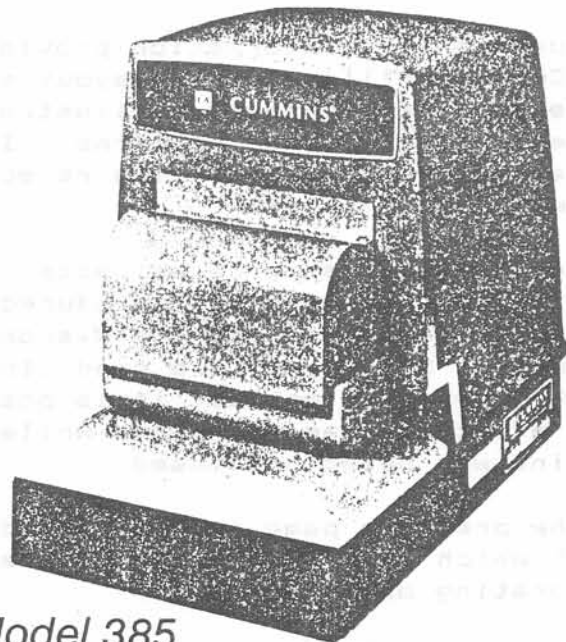
While police apparently licked the stamp theft problem, they were faced with a new problem last year when \$19,500 worth of electronic balances were stolen. Three stolen balances later were recovered during narcotics investigations.

Computer equipment thefts from university buildings also continued last year with nearly \$30,000 worth of equipment taken compared to \$39,000 in equipment stolen the previous year.

# CUMMINS



Model 380



Model 385

## EXTRA WIDTH PERFORATORS

### MODELS 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385

#### Models 380, 381, 382

These models provide custom ordered top and bottom lines. The Model 380 is equipped with a date and six selector rings as standard. Models 381 and 382 have 12 and 15 numbering rings respectively.

This inscription is from a Model 383. Any special combination of letters, numbers and spacing can be specified with this model. The Model 384 perforates a similar style inscription, yet the perforated characters are smaller.

#### Model 385

The Model 385 is ideally suited for applications requiring an unusual amount of fixed perforated information. Each line may be made per special order. The top and bottom lines may be equipped with selector rings.

These wide-head Perforators may have a line length of up to 4.5 inches and are commonly used for applications requiring more than nine characters per line.

Typical applications include serial numbering and dating; identifying department, section and serial numbers—all in a single operation.

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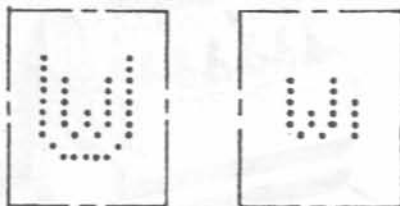
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Glenview, IL 60025  
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According to the instructions there are six steps to be followed when purchasing stamps for departmental use. Steps 1-3 deal with the process of requisitioning stamps, steps 4-6 deal with the perforation and subsequent treatment of the stamps. Summarizing 4-6 the rules are: purchase regular issue sized stamps; perforate all stamps; return stamps to a secure location in the departmental office; use as needed for official purposes.

Included in the information provided by the University was a copy of the Cummins-Allison Corp. layout sheet which had been submitted to the University for approval. Illustrated on this sheet are two alternate, subsequently rejected patterns. It is doubtful that essays of these patterns were produced. The rejected illustrations are reproduced below.

The new pattern supercedes pattern W200. The obsolete perforator which produced pattern W200 is now in the museum of the Wisconsin State Historical Society. It's condition is unknown at the present time, but it is possible that its' existence was forgotten while the new machine was being purchased.



On the previous page is reproduced a copy of the Cummins information sheet which describes Model 385, and several other models of Cummins' perforating machine.

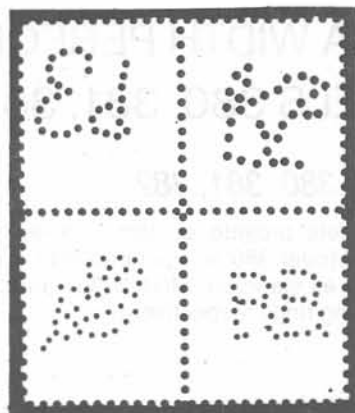
Thanks to the Davisons for their work in documenting this new perfin pattern.

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### CONGRATULATIONS ED!

Ed Haack (#770) has done it again -- exhibited, that is. Congratulations on the Silver-Bronze medal earned at PIPEX in Portland last May. Ed showed US material, stamps and covers (perfinned) from the 1908 - 1918 era.

He has also created a new block of four perfins using four different perforators, all his. This block is similar to one used by ed last August (1983) and illustrated in the January 1984 Bulletin.



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### MY GOOFS ARE SHOWING

Now that the dust has settled I would like to apologize to all the mail clerks in Maine who got ulcers due to a typo in the June Bulletin. Picking the worst time possible, I published Ralph Smith's zip code incorrectly. Instead of 04225 it appeared in the dues due notice (where better to cause havoc?) as 04425. Sorry Maine!!

And another correction -- for those of you who have bibliophilic tendencies. Inflation accidentally hit the Volume number of the June, July/August, and September issues of the Bulletin. In all cases the Volume number should be XXXVII (not the XXXVIII or XXXIX which appeared on these issues). Sorry, I got a little ahead of myself.

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## THE PERFINS CLUB SALES DEPARTMENT

Sales manager Dick Mewhinney has established some guidelines for members wishing to use the Sales Department to buy or sell perfins.

ONLY MEMBERS of the Perfins Club may use the service of the Sales Department. The Club will charge a 20% 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 10 days of receipt.

Because purchases of less than \$8 do not cover expenses for a shipment, a member who purchases less than \$8 worth of perfins at a time must pay postage both ways.

Buyers may request shipments of the following types of material.

- A. U.S. books of stamps with a rating of C or better.
- B. U.S. envelopes of D-rated stamps.
- C. U.S. envelopes of E-rated stamps.
- D. U.S. envelopes of specialties such as railroads, precancels, or parcel post stamps.
- E. Foreign envelopes. Please specify the country or countries.

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 sales books without charge to members who wish to fill them and offer them for sale through the Department. Additional sales books are \$.25 each.

The books each hold 100 stamps and should be filled with stamps selling for at least \$.25 each to make it worthwhile for prospective buyers. Each stamp in the book is to be marked with the US Perfins Catalog number, the rating, and the price.

Envelopes should be #3 glassines (2 1/2 by 4 1/2 inches) or similar size (use new glassines please) and should contain up to 150 perfins. D and E rated perfins should not be mixed in the same envelope. Countries should not be mixed. There should be no more than three of the same design in each envelope.

Pricing is left up to the seller. The law of supply and demand is very much the rule. If you have no idea 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 Sales Manager:  
Richard. L Mewhinney  
33 Carlton Avenue  
Washington, NJ 07882

# THE SECRETARY'S REPORT

THE SECRETARY IS RALPH W. SMITH, RR1 BOX 5645, DRYDEN, NE 04225

## NEW MEMBERS

- 2332 Heether, Charles E., 8947 Laramie, Skokie, IL 60077  
US by Needham
- 2333 Kallal, Rita J., 311 Northwood Dr., West Monroe, LA 71291  
Worldwide - Beginner by Kunavich
- 2334 Diamond, Mary R., 6180 Oakdale, Oakland, CA 94605  
US - Beginner by Rickard
- 2335 Nofsinger, Glenn A., 313 Parkinson, Wagoner, OK 74467  
US - Beginner by Rickard
- 2336 Conner, Paul F., 7826 Bonnie St., San Bernadino, CA 92410  
US - Beginner by Rickard
- 2337 Rodriguez, Florentino P., General Miscardo #27, 28020 Madrid,  
Spain  
Europe & US by Rickard
- 2338 Mazzia, Valentino D. B., 216 North Oakhurst Dr., Beverly Hills,  
CA 90210  
Italy by Kunavich

## LIFE MEMBERSHIP (in accordance with Section 2-1 Sub C of the By-Laws)

- 354L Earl N. Williams, Box 143, Brigden, Ontario, Canada NON 1B0  
235L E. J. Enschede, Jamaicadreef 19, 3563 SN Utrecht, Netherlands

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## CLOSED ALBUM

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## RESIGNED

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1396 Felix D. Bertanlanffy, 886 Lindsay St., Winnepeg, Manitoba,  
Canada R3N 1H8  
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2200 Raymond J. Shrepnek, C-2, 8295-98 St., Peace River, Alberta,  
Canada T0H 2X6  
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2124 Ronald W. Finger, 1344 Greeby St., Philadelphia, PA 19111  
1398 Ross E. Wilson, 12-577 Cranbrook Rd., London, Ontario,  
Canada N6K 2T4  
1899 Norman F. Gahl, Provenza 217-223, 08008 Barcelona, Spain  
1734 Vincent Acanfora, 9500 Kilgore % Daino, Orlando, FL 32803

1584 John J. Amiet, % Westpac BKG Corp., Premises Div. G.P.O.  
 Box 4180, Sydney, NSW 2001, Australia

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY

Members as of June 30, 1984	858
New Members	+ 7
Resigned	- 4
Closed Album	- 1
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Members as of July 31, 1984	860

THE PERFINS CLUB  
 FINANCIAL STATEMENT  
 FIRST HALF 1984

INCOME

Dues	1,606.00
Publications	125.50
Sales Books	0.00
Auctions	1,095.03
Cover Sales	29.55
Interest	1,612.41
US Catalog Sales	859.47
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Totals 5,327.96  
 Income in Excess of Expenses 8.66

EXPENSES

Bulletin	3,662.75
Officers	1,242.95
Publications	173.53
Foreign Catalog	240.07
Misc. Expense	0.00
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5,319.30

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CASH ACCOUNTING

Bank, Checking Account	2,095.25
Certificates of Deposit, general Fund	23,535.93
Certificates of Deposit, Life Memberships	4,265.11
Bank Money Market Account, General Fund	3,688.29
Equipment	1,034.80
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Total Assets as of June 30, 1984 34,619.38

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CAPITAL

Balance as of December 31, 1983	34,610.72
Income in excess of Expense 1984	8.66
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Total	34,619.38

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### RECENT LITERATURE REVIEWED

Wright, Norah K. 1983. The railway perfins of Ireland. The Revealer 33:38-40.

Presents a well documented study of perfins used by the 11 railways known to have used perfins in Ireland. The article includes known information on patterns ("dies"), stamps known to have been punched, period of use, and manufacturer of the perforator. Also given is a thumbnail sketch of the each railway.

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Smeed, Graham. 1983. Perfins -- perforated initials. Phil. Soc. Malta Mag. 12(4):16.

This brief note lists six patterns known by the author to have been used in Malta on the 1885 definitives, the King Edward VII and the King George V issues; four have user identification.

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Nowicki, W. Z. J. 1984. Polish perfins in the United Kingdom; 1980 - 1983. Vatican Notes 32(6):5-6.

This article includes information about the perfins issued and used by the Stowarzyszenie Filatelistow Polskich w Zjednoczonym Krolestwie (polish Philatelists Society in Great Britain). The information presented in this article is basically the same as was published in the April 1984 Bulletin.

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Thanks respectively to W. Brown (#1912), Eric Palmer (#2070), and Harry Ricard (#1802) for submitting these articles. Thanks also to Rudy Roy (#1124) for his recent submission of the Cuban post card article reproduced earlier in this issue.

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## MEWHINNEY REELECTED PRESIDENT

Richard L. Mewhinney has been elected president of the Perfins Club for a second three year term.

Following the by-laws of the Club, Secretary Ralph Smith has been instructed by nominating committee chairman Edward Foster to cast the official ballot which elects Mewhinney, who was unopposed.

Dick, a retired industrial arts teacher, fills his time building dollhouses and travelling with his wife, Leona. He is also currently the Club's Sales Manager. A fuller biography (a "Getting to Know..." column) will be found on page 105 of the Nov./Dec. 1981 Bulletin for those who want to more about Dick.



PERFINS BULLETIN

## ALEXANDER FAIRLIE - OUR YOUNGEST MEMBER?

"One of the more unusual projects entered at this year's Shelby County fair will be that of 4-H'er Alexander Fairlie of Shelby, a member of the Southwest 4-H Club.

"Alexander, 12, is a philatelist with a collection of perfins....and his family believes he is the youngest member of ..." the Perfins Club.

This is the beginning of an early July newspaper article about Alexander Fairlie -- who just may be the youngest member of our Club.

Introduced to stamp collecting by his dad, Alexander became interested in perfins after hearing a presentation about these specialty items at his local (Council Bluffs - Omaha) stamp club. His collection now includes worldwide perfins.

Through his collection, Alexander has begun corresponding with fellow perfins collectors. As a direct result, he has won a school award for some of his writing. He likes working with computers and enjoys "Dr. Who" (a British science fiction TV show).

He has exhibited a single frame entitled "General Classification of Commercial Perfins" both at the Shelby County (Iowa) fair and at the Trans-Mississippi Philatelic Society show in Omaha (8/31/84-9/2/84). At the former he won a red ribbon, and at the latter won a bronze medal for his efforts. Congratulations!! While he may be the youngest member of our Club, he is obviously a good ambassador to the collectors of the world!

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### CURRENT LITERATURE (PART 1)

Sellers, F. B. 1984. Haiti's Perfins. Haiti Philately 10(2):29-30.

Citing page 118 of the October 1983 Perfins Bulletin the author starts "Actually, there is not a lot that I can add to what little is known..." The author does, however add some useful information. The single Haitian perfin appears on stamps from three postal issues: the 1896 Palm Tree issue, the 1898 Simon Sam issue, and the 1906 Gold Overprint issue (Scott #'s 32, 38, 39, 54, 64, and 110 are known perfinned). All legibly cancelled copies are from Port Au Prince.

Thanks to Polly Van Dyke Perfins Club life member and editor of Haiti Philately for bringing this article to my attention. Comments or further information should be referred to Polly at PO Box 9456, Treasure Island, FL 33704.

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## PERFINS ON "AMERICA"

"AMERICA", from photograph of replica of "Statue of Freedom" surmounting the United States Capitol.

This is the only stamp of the series of regular issues of 1922-23 printed in two colors. The central design is printed in blue ink with the border design printed in red. The \$5.00 America was placed on sale March 20, 1923 at Washington, D.C.

THE FOLLOWING PERFIN PATTERNS ON SCOTT #573 HAVE BEEN REPORTED TO DATE:

Cat No. / Pattern	Cat No. / Pattern	Cat No. / Pattern
<input type="checkbox"/> A102A AEL/CO	<input type="checkbox"/> G107 (G&J) TRI	<input type="checkbox"/> P151 P/NB
<input type="checkbox"/> C51 (CBT)O	<input type="checkbox"/> G112 GM	<input type="checkbox"/> P152 P/NB
<input type="checkbox"/> C149 C(H)	<input type="checkbox"/> G172 GT	<input type="checkbox"/> P242 PW/&CO
<input type="checkbox"/> C201 C/ML	<input type="checkbox"/> H131 HNB	<input type="checkbox"/> R110 RNA
<input type="checkbox"/> C211 CNB	<input type="checkbox"/> H181 HSM	<input type="checkbox"/> S103 SDT
<input type="checkbox"/> C217 CNB	<input type="checkbox"/> H184 HS/&CO	<input type="checkbox"/> S238 SR
<input type="checkbox"/> C219 CNB	<input type="checkbox"/> H189 HT	<input type="checkbox"/> T81 TRAV
<input type="checkbox"/> C223 C(NB)	<input type="checkbox"/> I109 IT/CO	<input type="checkbox"/> U100 UTC
<input type="checkbox"/> C229 C(NB)	<input type="checkbox"/> L169 L&/CO	<input type="checkbox"/> W69 W.D/CO
<input type="checkbox"/> C417 C(3)	<input type="checkbox"/> M184 MNB	<input type="checkbox"/> W72.1 WE
<input type="checkbox"/> E69 ELI	<input type="checkbox"/> M259 MTC	<input type="checkbox"/> W92 WF/U
<input type="checkbox"/> F27 FAR	<input type="checkbox"/> M260 MTC	<input type="checkbox"/> W138 WN/B
<input type="checkbox"/> F126 FNB	<input type="checkbox"/> M310 M&T	
<input type="checkbox"/> F153 FP/L	<input type="checkbox"/> N44 NCB	NUMERALS -
<input type="checkbox"/> F156 FRB	<input type="checkbox"/> N47 NC/BK	<input type="checkbox"/> NO.12 2B
<input type="checkbox"/> F161 F/RB	<input type="checkbox"/> N145.5 NS/BK	<input type="checkbox"/> NO.15 2-15
<input type="checkbox"/> F164 FRB/K	<input type="checkbox"/> N147 NS/BK	
<input type="checkbox"/> F169 FRB/SE	<input type="checkbox"/> N206 NYT/CO	DESIGNS -
<input type="checkbox"/> F170 FRB/SF		<input type="checkbox"/> DES.5 SHIELD
<input type="checkbox"/> F171 FRB/SL		<input type="checkbox"/> DES.6 SHIELD
<input type="checkbox"/> F172 FRB/SP		
<input type="checkbox"/> F195 FSM/&CO		

Many Thanks!!, to the members who contributed to the "AMERICA" checklist.

Members who have Perfins on the \$5.00 AMERICA, Scott #573 are urged to contact B. L. Timmerman, 1606 Britney Drive, Sherwood, Arkansas 72116.

### FUTURE CHECKLISTS:

Panama-Pacific Issue (#397-404)  
 Louisiana Purchase Issue (#323-327)  
 Jamestown Exposition Issue (#328-330)  
 Lincoln Memorial Issue (#367-369)  
 Alaska-Yukon Issue (#370-371)  
 Hudson-Fulton Issue (#372-373)

Pilgrim Tercentenary Issue (#548-50)  
 Huguenot-Walloon Issue (#614-616)  
 Lexington-Concord Issue (#617-619)  
 Noris-American Issue (#620-621)  
 Commemoratives..(#537,627-29,643-650)  
 Air Mail Issues..(#C1 to C31,C46)

Members who have perfins on the above issues are urged to report them to:  
 B. L. (Tim) Timmerman, P. O. Box 6011, Sherwood, AR 72116.



# IS US B224A FOR REAL?

BY HARRY RICKARD

Brown Shoe Co. was a major shoe manufacturer for many years in St. Louis, Mo.

During the early part of this century the company used the characters Buster Brown and Tige in their advertising and for their logos. Two different logos are reproduced.



B224

At the time of the 1966 Catalog there was no Brown Shoe Co. listing. In the 1979 Catalog, however, a partial design from a damaged cover was reconstructed to yield pattern B224A.

More recent evidence suggests that this pattern may actually not be valid.



B224A

The most telling evidence for this conclusion is that B224, used by the Bethlehem Steel Co., fits perfectly over B224A. In addition, the covers presented do not show use of the presumed perfin; the 1910 cover, a stamped envelope, is not perfinned; the 1921 and 1926 covers show the use of unperfinned coil stamps dispensed by a machine (as evidenced by the stamps having clipped perforations); and the 1931 air mail cover also shows the absence of a perfinned stamp. B224 was in use during the time that B224A was supposed to have been in use; the same era as these unperfinned stamps were used on cover.

Finally, about 10 years ago I recieved the information that the Brown Shoe Company had no record (or recollection) of ever having had a perforating machine. This information was recieved indirectly from the company (through the correspondence of another Club member with a representative of the Brown Shoe Co.).

For comparison, many of the Bethlehem Steel perfins are precancelled (Bureau) "St. Louis, Mo.". The only stamp I have seen identified as B224A was precancelled St. Louis and was, in fact B224.

Without seeing the actual cover from which B224A was reconstructed I can only speculate as to the use of the perfin on the cover. We know of unauthorized usage of perfins -- why not Bethlehem Steel perfins on a Brown Shoe Comapany envelope. While it would require two different jobs -- one at Bethlehem Steel and one at Brown Shoe -- why not. Someone who uses company envelopes probably would not worry about using another companies stamps.

At this point in time, the negative data seems to outweigh the information supporting the existence of this pattern. Does anyone have definite evidence for the existence of this pattern? If so, let me know (Harry Rickard, 2163 Cumbre Pl., El Cajon, CA 92020).



ST. LOUIS, MO. JUN 4 4:30 PM 1910

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**THE WHITE HOUSE**

IN ST. LOUIS



*The Brown Shoe Co.*

Graves & Stamp,

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RETURN IN 5 DAYS TO

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INCORPORATED  
MANUFACTURERS



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ST. LOUIS, U.S.A.  
THE SHOE CITY

R.I. Stamp,

RETURN IN 5 DAYS TO



R. I. Stamp & Son,

RETURN IN 5 DAYS TO



AIR MAIL

## PERFINS AND YOUR POCKETBOOK

BY JACOB KISNER

This might prove to be the most unpopular article ever to have appeared in The Perins Bulletin. At the very least, I expect that the following words will result in a storm of criticism from my brother and sister perfinners, and meet a wall of resistance that will make the Roman emperor Hadrian's wall in Britain look like a child's sand work at Coney Island.

In the July-August issue of the Perins Bulletin, John Needham is quoted as saying that "the worst thing that can happen to perfinners is to have priced catalog recognition." Examples of perfins listed in the Scott and Michel catalogs are cited, and the editor elaborates on one example mentioned by Needham -- a very expensive perfin, Spain #307, variety 4p lake perfinned B.H.A., catalogued at an astounding \$1,250.00.

Somewhere in the Bible it says: Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price." Perfin collectors have been doing just that for years. Now the monster, money, rears its ugly head and threatens to spoil the fun -- the idyllic relationship that the perfinner has had with his hobby from the very beginning.

Flashback! When I first decided on a part-time dealership in the stamp business many years back, I made the rounds of the wholesalers here in New York City looking for likely supplies to start with. I recall one of my first visits to a supplier where I made known the purpose of my call. I was advised to "buy bundles of foreign stamps," so that I might make up packets to sell.

On the sidelines, another retailer waiting his turn watched me with interest. When the wholesaler went back to get an assortment of bundles, the fellow at my elbow quickly whispered to me, "Don't buy his bundles -- they're loaded with perfins!"

At that moment, I couldn't quite make sense out of the admonition thrown at me -- what in the world could be wrong with perfins? When the wholesaler returned I bought the bundles which he brought out without hesitation.

When I arrived home, I didn't waste any time, I sat down and began opening up one bundle after another. Sure enough! The bundles I had purchased were loaded with perfins -- I recall at least fifteen perfins in each bundle of one hundred stamps. There they were -- those unsightly "holey" stamps that the other dealer had warned me about.

A few years ago -- again contrary to the advice of several other seasoned dealers -- I decided to try to build up a stock of worldwide perfins. There was little chance of competition since most dealers wouldn't touch the specialty with the proverbial ten-foot pole. Not

only did perfins really hold a fascination for me, but there in one corner of my stockroom I had squirrled away some eight to ten thousand of the little buggers; and I was a dealer.

Today perfins are growing in popularity: membership in the Perfins Club is bound to go over the thousand mark sooner or later; and catalogs of perfins, sometimes priced, sometimes with rarity ratings, are coming more quickly off the presses. A good example is the excellent perfin catalog, Svenska Skyddsperforeringar, published recently by the Sverges Filatelist-Forbund. This catalog alone is credited with tripling the number of perfin collectors in Sweden -- and as a direct result, Swedish perfins are selling as fast as they can be found in dealers' stock.

My own specialty, Finland, is another case in point worth noting. There are only ten Finnish patterns known -- ASEA, FORD, F&CO., J.G.W., K.B., N., S., TKT, V, V.E. And what specialist in Finnish perfins wouldn't like to get his or her hands on all ten. During my own in depth experience with Finnish material, I have only come across perhaps 200 to 250 Finnish perfins, with only five of the ten known patterns represented. I have never had any problems retailing what I had. Fifty to seventy five cents each would not be unreasonable to ask considering the tremendous demand for Finnish material.

In other words, I am saying here loud and clear to all my fellow perfinner: Supply being what it is -- demand being what it is -- we have to recognize the fact that we can't go on buying perfins "without money and without price." Perfins are catalogued more and more, and perfins are gaining in respectability and popularity.

For the very near future, I would say that you should expect a situation where the 2c to 5c perfin -- like the 5c cigar of my dad's time -- becomes a thing of the past. If you doubt that this is happening, I would suggest that you visit your friendly local stamp dealer now, and ask him what he has in perfins and what he wants for them. (If they are from Japan, Finland, Sweden, Canada, or any of the other hot sellers, I would advise that you hold on to your hat when he tells you the price he is asking.)

Yes, perfins are now worth money -- and those big city dealers who not so long ago smirked, scoffed and snickered when they heard you are a perfins collector are now rolling their sleeves up and getting ready to give you a hearty welcome.

And should you be sorry that this is happening? My answer is NO. With the increased demand which results from the growing number of perfins collectors, with more research being done, with new priced catalogs being published, and yes, even with retail prices of perfins reaching levels to which we are unaccustomed, there will be more and greater benefits to be reaped by one and all involved in our specialty.

A dim prospect? Let's have your opinion!



## STUDYING MULTIPLE HEAD PERFORATORS

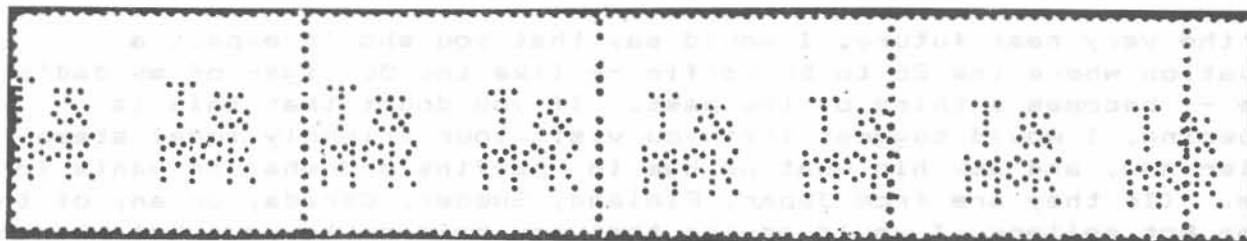
(FROM INFORMATION PROVIDED BY JOE MILLER)

Last December we showed a sheet reconstruction which Joe Miller had done for pattern S191 (Perf. Bull. 36:134-135). Joe wished to demonstrate clearly the lateral feed of a sheet through a multiple die Cummins perforator (which differs from the more normal vertical feed of these machines). In addition Joe reports that patterns B275, R154, S284 and U41 are products of laterally fed machines. The pictured multiple of B275 shows clearly that the sheet was fed laterally through the perforator. The top pattern is intact, the center pattern has two broken pins in the ampersand and the bottom pattern has a different pin broken in the ampersand.



Since that time Joe has sent in a list of multiple die heads which he knows are being studied.

The illustration below is the largest multiple of pattern T121 which he has been able to locate. Note that there are slight differences in the 7 1/2 patterns (primarily in the vertical lines of the M and the T, and the center of the M). Joe would like further information about the actual position of these eight dies on the perforator head; the strip does not establish their position for certain, except in relation to each other. Incidentally, the reason the patterns do not seem to fit on the stamps is that the strip is of New York State stock transfer stamps.



A complete listing of the multiple die patterns which are currently being studied (of which Joe is aware) is presented below.










C142	H76	P197	T121
C167	H179	S142	W154A (1 die ?)
D52	I5	S191	W154B (10 die ?)
F68A	N213	S203	

Any information which you might have on these patterns -- especially if it takes the form of multiples of perforated stamps -- please send to Joe (F. J. Miller, PO Box 173, Langlois, OR 97450). If the particular pattern is not one which he is studying he will refer it to the proper person for further work. Thanks.



## Uruguay





Uruguay A4 and Paraguay A1 are duplicate designs. These twins are among the earliest of South American perfins. Stamps of the 1928-1932 Artigas design were affixed to square advertising labels and then punched with the A1 design. Because of the advertising, these stamps could be bought for less than the face value. Designs A5 and A6 may be types of invalidating punches rather than commercial perfins, but they are listed in the A section for the time being. Various punch holes in the shape of stars, quatrefoils, hearts, and so on, are found on postage, airmail, and official stamps used by government officials. Some revenue stamps are found punched with a set of numerals. See articles in the January through March 1974 Uruguay Philatelist (in the Perfins Club Library) concerning type A1 and official perfins.

	<p>1 A</p> <p>Compania Internacional de Anuncios</p>		<p>6 A</p> <p>(Tentative classification)</p> <p>Scott 235</p>
	<p>2 A</p>		<p>1 B</p> <p>Incomplete?</p>
	<p>3 A</p> <p>International Harvester Company</p>		<p>2 B</p> <p>Tracing</p>
	<p>4 A</p> <p>Scott 137, 150</p>		<p>3 B</p> <p>Vecino &amp; C... (?) Piedras Coloradas (?)</p>
	<p>5 A</p> <p>(Tentative classification)</p> <p>Scott 200</p>		



## Venezuela

No commercial perfins are found on the stamps of Venezuela. Only two revenue perfins, punched at various angles, are generally found on 'instruccion' fiscals. Two types of official punches exist: GN/1910 in solid letters found on both postal and fiscal issues, and the perforated GN found on more than 100 postal, one semi-postal, and more than 100 airmail stamps. There may be slight variations in the solid punch varieties. Some fiscal stamps are punched with solid Vs, holes, and squares. Check the Perfins Club Library for further information about Venezuelan punches and perfins.

	1 B		1 C Gobierno Nacional  Scott 260
	2 B		2 C Gobierno Nacional  Scott 259-369, B1, C1-C249 (?)

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**OBSERVATIONS ON PHILATELIC SHOW '84**

BY RALPH SMITH

I had the pleasure of attending all three sessions of Philatelic Show '84 sponsored by the Northeastern Federation of Stamp Clubs in Boston, October 12 - 14.

The Perfins Club shared a table with the Windmills on Stamps study group. Next to our table was one manned by members of the Rotary on Stamps Study Unit in the person of Dr. James G. Martin (also a member of the Perfins Club.

Perfins Club members entered six separate exhibits entered in the competition and, would you believe it, **WON SIX AWARDS!**

Joe Balough won a Gold Award for his six frame exhibit "Perfins, What-Why-How".

Harry Rickard won a Silver Award for his five frame "Perforated Identifications".

Dr. Willy E. Melberg and Alan Miskimin each won Silver-Bronze Awards; Dr. Melberg for his three frame "Danish Perfins on Stamps on Cover", and Mr. Miskimin for his five frame "U. S. Perforated Control Marks".

Edwin Haack and Edward Hoyt each won Bronze Awards; the former Ed for his four frame "Japanese Perfins", the latter Ed for his three frames "An Introduction to Perfins Collecting".

In addition to the show awards, the Perfins Club presents awards as follows:

- Joe Balough -- Best Perfins Exhibit
- Harry Rickard -- Best U.S. Perfin Exhibit
- Dr. Melberg -- Best Foreign Perfins Exhibit
- And to all exhibitors -- Ribbons of Participation

The success of our exhibitors generated quite a bit of interest at our Club Table. It also appeared to inflate prices on the few covers available in the bourse area.

After too much food, a good stage show, a rest at an excellent hotel, and wonderful camaraderie, in short -- a mini vacation, it was back to the grindstone.

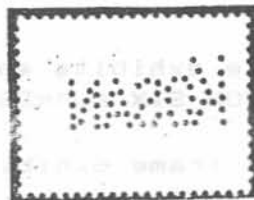
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**INFORMATION NEEDED:** In order to update my Perfins of Ceylon I would like help from other Club members. Needed information includes patterns, values, and date of issue, also information concerning firm "chops". While the principal object of this request is information, I would be pleased to exchange or purchase perfins or covers of Ceylon. Albert Ellis, Newlands Crescent, Northowram, Halifax HX3 7HV, West Yorkshire, England.  
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# PERFINS OF THE KOSANGAS COMPANY

BY EDWARD HOYT (FROM INFORMATION PROVIDED BY PETER ENGELBRECHT)

The Kosangas Company is a Danish company which distributes liquid butane gas in large metal cylinders. These butane cylinders were used where no city electricity or gas was available, such as summer residence areas.

Pattern K44 (KOSAN) was the first perfin used by this company. It has been found from Kobenhaven, Koge, Middlefart, Nykobing Fl., Norresundby and Aarhus between 1955 and 1958.



K44



SYM4

Perfin SYM4 shows the gas cylinder in stylized form. Used after December 1957 this pattern is known from all of the mentioned towns.

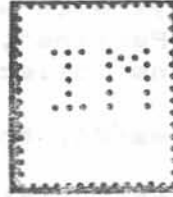
From early 1967 four of the branch offices (Aarhus, Koge, Middlefart and Norresundby) each has used its their own perforator.



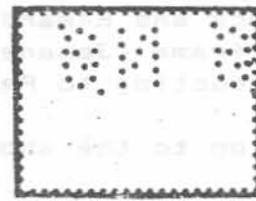
A1  
Aarhus



K56  
Koge



M14  
Middlefart



N52  
Norresundby

The main office in Copenhagen (Kobenhaven) is still using the flask pattern; it has been seen on cancelled Margrethe II stamps.

## A WARNING!

A CAUTION: Rudy Roy recently wrote expressing concern about a "perfin" (the Cuban card discussed in the Tyx article last month) for sale. "Recently there was offered by a New York auction firm a copy of this card with the perforation reported as "double". I have it on unimpeachable authority, from a Cuba collector/student/expert who saw the card that it was 'less than genuine' - the holes of one of the 1's being reversed relative to the other."

CAVEAT EMPTOR (let the buyer beware!)



## PERFINS ON REVENUES REVISITED

BY JOE MILLER

Here are some additions and corrections to the list of patterns, illustrated in the current US Perfins Catalog, which are also found on revenue stamps. The original list of these items appeared in the July/August 1982 issue of the Bulletin (pages 63 & 64).

Thanks to the eight collectors who have made this update possible.

A63	C12	G160	L169.5	S356.5
A70	C290	H49	M73	T43.5
A94	C362	H89	M103	T81
A138	C390	H97	M117	U54
A221-1	D22	H212	M256	U82
A291	D111	I104	N167	W8-C
B42	D152	J78	N205-1	W72-63
B82	G72-1	L8	S2-34	W121
B229	G150	L44	S103	Y6

In addition -- for the sake of accuracy -- the following changes need to be made to the original list:

Change B262.4 to B262.5

Change J165 to J165.5

Change P240.5 to P239.5

Do you know of others which were common to both postage and revenue stamps in the US? Please let me know: F. J. Miller, PO Box 173, Langlois, OR 97450.

Joe continues his interest in perfins on revenue stamps. The letter in which this information was sent included the often repeated warning -- perfin ratings (A-F) are based on perfins punched on postage stamps. The same pattern on a revenue stamp often has a completely different value. Some uncommon postage stamp patterns are very common on revenues and vice-versa.

So take care when buying patterns with a high catalog rating -- make sure you get what you pay for!

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### CURRENT LITERATURE (PART 2)

Stieg, C. L. 1984. Unlisted New South Wales official postcards. Post. Stat. 26:82-84.

Brief mention is made of two postal stationary items which are perfinned; regular official postcards perforated OS/NSW, 1906-1912, and a normal postcard perforated GR (Government Railways).

Thanks to Elwood Meschter (#1966) for bringing this article to my attention.



**MORE POLISH PERFINS FROM BRITAIN**

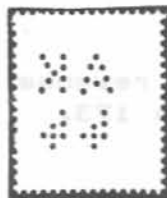
INFORMATION PROVIDED BY W. Z. J. NOWICKI

The perfin 40/MC announced in the July/August is the first used by the newly formed Polish Philatelic Federation in Great Britain. This Federation was formed from the two existing groups of Polish philatelists in England; the Polish Philatelic Society (formed in 1952) and the Polish Philatelists Association (formed in 1979). Since that time three additional perfins have been issued by this federation.



The DM/C perfin was issued to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Polish Divine Mercy College in Fawley Court - Henley on Thames - Oxon. As previously, the anniversary was commemorated with a special pictorial cancel, cacheted envelopes and official perfinned postcards. The bulk of the perfins were used to frank these items on June 6, 1984.

The perfin P/FF was issued by the P(olska) F(ederacja) F(ilatelistyczna) w W. Brytanii, the Polish Philatelic Federation in Great Britain, to frank future souvenir postcards, letters, Bulletins, etc. First use was July 7, 1984.



Finally, the AK/44 perfin has also been issued by this group. No information has yet come to me about this item, but it is reproduced on the left pending further information.



Further information about these items can be obtained from W.Z.J. Nowicki, 40 Ansell Rd., London SW17 - 7LS, England.

**CURRENT LITERATURE (PART 3)**

Nowicki, W. Z. J. 1984. Polish perfins in the United Kingdom 1980 - 1983. Polish Phil. Rev. #1:(3-6). (Text in Polish p. 7-8).

Written by Mr. Nowicki, this article presents the basic information provided by Mr. Nowicki concerning the first five perfins created by the Polish Philatelists in Great Britain. Essentially the same information as was used to prepare the article "Polish commemorative perfins in Britain" which appeared in the Bulletin 37:57-64, 1984.

Further information about the article or the Polish Philatelic Review can be obtained through Mr. Nowicki, 40 Ansell Rd., London SW17 7LS, Great Britain.

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## SPECIAL AUCTION

This is a special auction of material owned by a member of the Club. Auction closes on February 1, 1985.

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S16	Austria; 592 pats, 1160 stamps	\$ 85.00
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S18	Switzerland; 250 pats, 600 stamps	\$ 60.00
S19	Czechoslovakia; 14 pats, 18 stamps	\$ 2.00
S20	Italy; 170 pats, 450 stamps	\$ 25.00
S21	Netherlands; 304 pats, 1017 stamps (37 with syncoated perforations)	\$ 70.00

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**ADS AND ENDS . . .**

WANTED TO BUY: Perfins of China and Japan either on or off cover. Duplicates welcome! Please contact Jack Yao, 1 S. 222 Ardmore Ave., Villa Park, IL 60181.

FOR TRADE: 2000+ US and some worldwide perfins to trade for US taxpaid stamps; beers, tobaccos, snuff, RS, RN, RO, etc. Jack Carpenter, 1406 Thayer Ave., Ellensburg, WA 98926.

WANTED: To complete my D and E rated I need A58, C1526-5, C176.5, D89B, I91-1, L161, N113B5. Will give two C-rated your choice (from my dupes) for each received. Harry A. Rickard, 2163 Cumbre Pl., El Cajon, CA 92020.

WANTED: Covers franked with either US C277 or C279, for an international exhibit. Also any foreign Canadian Pacific Railway perfin covers wanted. \$5 or more each for scarcer items. J. C Johnson, Box 6118, Stn. D, Calgary, AB T2P 2C7.

ANNOUNCING: Club member D. Allwright and his wife have recently purchased a very large collection of perfins and are planning to auction (bi-monthly) their duplicates. These auctions will center on British perfins but will also include some foreign lots (including US). For more information contact Mr. D. Allwright, 140 Howard Dr., Letchworth, Herts., England.

CONGRATULATIONS: William Brown has done it again. His railroad perfins exhibit won a Bronze Award at MAVEX (the annual stamp show of the Mahoning Valley Stamp Club of Youngstown, OH).