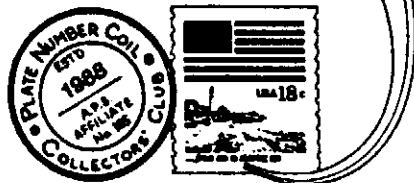


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## Some Eagle & Shield prices on increase

By HAROLD BROWN  
Coil Line Editor

Prices on the 19 Eagle & Shield plate number coils are all over the place. While there are no new numbers reported this month, my mailbox has been a constant source of updated prices lists.

In one case, I received a credit slip from a dealer indicating certain Eagle & Shield strips ordered are no longer available at the previously advertised price.

Along with this article, I've compiled a chart of price ranges on Eagle & Shield PS 5's from price lists I've received and ads in philatelic publications. The comparison includes five dealers with complete or nearly complete stocks and several offering partial stocks. I'll update the list as price changes warrant.

Members with price lists showing a wider variation are encouraged to send them to the editor to be added to the list.

Several members have responded to the March request for examples of the Eagle & Shield on commercial covers and several examples are included elsewhere in this issue of Coil Line. I'd be particularly interested in anyone able to make up a complete set of used examples on cover. That should be a toughie, maybe tougher than a strip of five of A32333 appears to be at this point.

Only two dealers apparently have a stock of the elusive A32333 stock, Dr. Robert Rabinowitz, who's selling it as part of a set of all 19 Eagle & Shields for \$82 in the March 16 issue of Linn's, and Craig Selig, who lists it at \$40 for a f-VF copy with a 35 percent premium for XF on his most recent list.

It appears the sky might be the limit on the A32333 strip unless another supply shows up. The explosion in January and February probably represented the first real dip into the stocks. Who knows what's in the vault?

With political campaigns heating up there could be a large demand for the stamp on various fund appeals.

Number	Price Range
A11111	\$2.50-3.50
A11112	2.50-3.75
A12213	5.00-9.50
A21112	2.25-3.50
A22112	2.25-3.50
A21113	3.00-7.50
A22113	2.25-5.75
A33333	5.00-8.00
A32333	N/A-40.00
A33335	3.00-5.75

## Eagle & Shield roll sizes

Alan Thomson has provided the following list of Eagle & Shield roll sizes to update the list published in the March Coil Line. This was the data available as of March 9.

A11111	B,D	A43324	B,C
A11112	B,C,D	A43324	B,C
A21112	B	A43326	B,C
A21113	B,C	A43334	C,D
A22113	B,C,D	A43335	B,C
A22112	B	A53335	C
A12213	C	A54444	C
A32333	C	A54445	C
A33333	C	A54445	C
A33335	unknown		

KEY B = 500 C = 3,000 D = 10,000

A43324	4.00-5.75
A43325	3.00-5.00
A43426	3.50-5.75
A43326	3.00-5.00
A43334	2.25-4.75
A43335	2.25-4.75
A53335	3.00-4.75
A54444	3.00-5.00
A54445	3.00-5.00

Full set of 19 (one dealer) \$82.00

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# Letters

## **PNC3 Annual Meeting date set; slide show now available for use To the PNC3 membership:**

I have a couple of announcements to make this month.

First of all, the PNC3 board has decided that our annual meeting will be held during StampShow '92 in Oakland, Calif. Aug. 27-30, 1992. Further details will be announced later.

The second announcement regards the PNC3 slide show. Anyone wishing to borrow a copy from us can contact our Regional Meetings Committee Chairman, Dick Koenig, P.O. Box 31872, Tuscon, AZ 85751.

Dick can provide you with further details.

I want to extend my thanks to Ken Lawrence and the others who helped on this project.

Sincerely,  
Rob Washburn, President

## **Eagle & Shield-disturbed gum problem**

To the Editor:

Several complaints have been received concerning Eagle & Shield strips supplied by a couple of retail dealers. The thrust of the complaints is that the gum is heavily disturbed, sometimes with dirty fingerprints. The dealer response was that the gum on this issue is uncommonly heavy, and that some disturbance is unavoidable in the handling.

It strikes me that this is a ridiculous comment. Any collector who later attempts to resell such strips to dealers will have the disturbed gum pointed out as a flaw, with a commensurate reduction in value.

Collectors have every right to expect undisturbed gum when they are paying full retail prices.

Beyond that, the Ethics Committee does not consider the above to be grounds for an ethics complaint as long as dealers issue full cash refunds upon request.

Tom Maeder, Chairman  
PNC3 Ethics Committee

## **All these numbers-burden to everyone**

To the Editor:

Just a few remarks about the new Eagle & Shield bulk rate coil.

I have collected PNCs from the start. As far as I can tell there has been seven bulk rate coils with approximately 19 numbers over a period of years. Now, in two months there are 19 Eagle & Shield numbers.

The American Bank Note Co. must be making their cylinders of lead to have all of these numbers. This makes it hard on the dealers and costly to the collectors.

I would like to know how other members feel about this. Being a commercial cover collector it will be almost impossible to obtain all these covers.

Joseph Simmons  
3107 Ventnor Ave.  
Longport, NJ 08403

# Special of the month

- 4c Stagecoach, B Press, untagged-

Singles/Pairs: \$7.50 per stamp (26 pairs available)

- Plate Strip 5: One fleck of taggant on number stamp: \$150.00 (One available)

- Transition strip - 8: From untagged to overall tagged: \$75.00 (One available)

- Transition strip- 8: From overall tagged to untagged plate strip 5 at left (tagged), tagging gap at 2R: \$150.00 (One available)

**Send for my latest price list.  
Bonuses/rebates for all orders  
mentioning PNC3.**

**A.S. Cibulskas  
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Stamford, CT 06902  
Phone 203-359-9918**

## COIL LINE

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Advertising rates are \$42 for a full page, \$22.50 for a half page and \$12 for a quarter page. The cost is payable with the order. Checks should be made out to PNC3. Members are entitled to two, 40-word ads per year at no charge. All advertisements should be sent to the editor. Classified ads are six (6) cents per word to non members or those who have used their two free ads.

## Members report on numbers found, observations about latest issues

Reports from PNC3 members about what plate numbers are being found in their areas and their observations:

- Al Cibulskas, Samford, CT, believes Eagle & Shield 43325 and 43326 are the most common. On the Rushmores, No. 5's are generally above average centering; No. 9's are a "crap shoot" either very good or very bad centering with not much in between. Al hasn't seen any No. 8's but the rumor is the centering is a "disaster."

- Richard Beecher, Los Angeles, CA, reports the following in an order from USPS, Kansas City: Eagles and Shield A 43326 on a roll of 500 and A22113 on a roll of 10,000. Also, the 23c Flag 212 from roll of 500 and 111 from roll of 3,000.

- Roy Rogers, California, A21112 Eagle & Shield at the main post office in Davis, CA.

- Tom Maeder, Los Angeles, A21112 on a commercial cover.

- Thomas Ideman, Greenbelt, MD, A33335 of the Eagle & Shield at the post office in Lancaster, PA. Same office had 19c Fishing Boat A1112.

## Roulette separations appear to have favor of USPS customers in survey

Gary Griffith, in an article in the March 23 issue of Linn's, reports the experimental roulette separations on the 29c Flower coil are like by USPS customers.

A sampling of 748 customers showed a preference for the roulette style by a 49-36 percent margin. The remaining 15 percent had no preference. Griffith reported the survey does not indicate more roulette style issues will necessarily show up. However, he quotes officials as saying they were happy to learn customers accepted the stamp.

More study, including looking at issuing coils smaller than 100, is expected. There could also be coils of Christmas stamps and Love stamps.

The stamp stick of 10 coils was not liked by postal clerks with 47 percent favoring the traditional plastic tray-bubble pack- packaging, and 43 percent favoring the stamp stick.

A concern of the clerks was the potential theft of stamps from the middle of a coil from the sticks. For inventory control the clerks like the bubble packs.

## Still waiting on the White House coil?

As of March 15, no issue date had been announced for the 29c White House coil stamp. The stamp had been announced for March. Unlike many recent coil issues, the stamp hadn't shown up ahead of time or without an official date set.

Anyone having information as to plate numbers and roll sizes should forward it to Coil Line to help put together the listings.

## Member to conduct PNC exchange

Doug Iams, 1885 Victoria Landing, San Jose, CA 95132, has offered to act as a trading center because of the proliferation of new plate numbers.

Those interested should submit PS 5's VF or better only. Include a self-addressed, stamp envelope (SASE) and a list of what you are sending. Make sure to put your name on the list. Include a list of what you are requesting and note the maximum length of time you are willing to have the strips held if an immediate trade is not available.

Doug will set up three non-mixable groups:

1) Mount Rushmores, Nos. 5, 8, 9 and higher, any White House coils, and the 29c perforated flower, if a second number or more is issued.

2) Eagle & Shields A11111, A11112, A21112, A22112 and A 22113.

3) Any other Eagle & Shield numbers.

Please be flexible with your requests. If you request Eagle & Shield A32333, you're bound to fail.

Please limit submissions to a maximum of 10 strips and a maximum of any one number.

Be careful with the gum on the Eagle & Shields, it's easily disturbed by fingers.

This exchange is limited to PNC3 members only.

## Used examples of prephosphored Mt. Rushmore stamps available

PNC3 members interested in obtaining a used example of the prephosphored Mt. Rushmore stamps found by Joann Lenz should send a self-addressed envelope to her at 37211 Alper Dr., Sterling Heights, MI 48312.

Joann will affix a copy (no number) of the stamp to your envelope and drop it back in the mail. One per member, please. Also, please place a filler in the envelope to help it get safely through the mail.

Joann made mint copies of the stamp available to PNC3 members who attended the annual meeting in Philadelphia last August and the regional meeting in Los Angeles in January.

## East Coast Regional Meeting May 2

East Coast area members of the Plate Number Coil Collectors Club (PNC3) are planning a Regional Meeting Saturday, May 2 at Philatelic Show '92 in Boxborough, MA.

The show is being held at Boxborough Host Hotel at Rte. 111 and Interstate 495 (Exit 28).

The meeting is slated from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Speakers will be PNC3 President Rob Washburn and Kim Cuniberti.

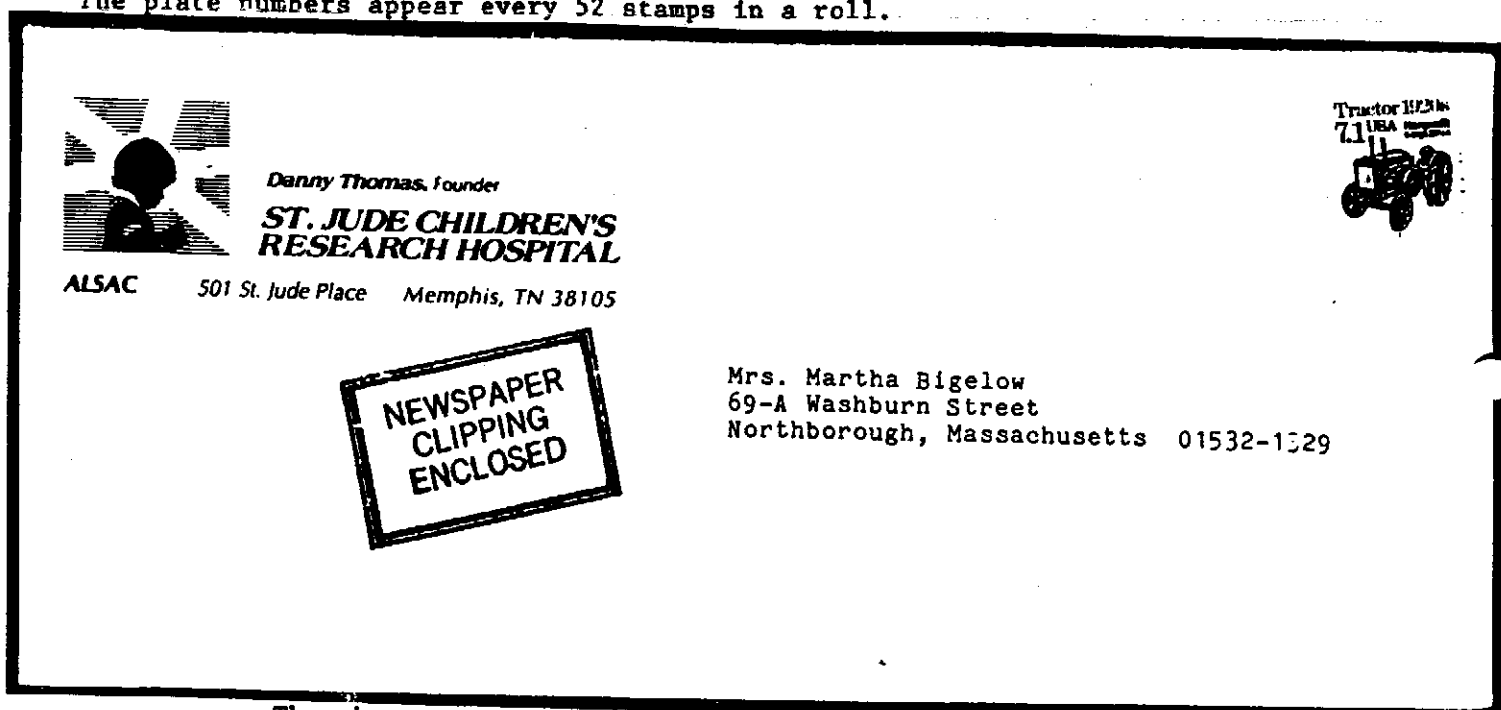
George Leduc, Box 1280, Rt. 197, Woodstock, CT 06281 is making arrangements. He plans a trading session and roundtable in addition to the speakers.

COMMERCIAL COVERS  
Installment #38

Rob Washburn  
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This month's article covers the 7.1¢ Tractor. The original version of the 7.1¢ Tractor coil was issued on February 6, 1987 in Sarasota, Florida. Both tagged and service-inscribed (Non-profit Org.) versions exist of the only plate number "1". The plate numbers appear every 52 stamps in a roll.

A revised version of the 7.1¢ Tractor coil was issued on May 26, 1989 in Rosemont, Illinois. It has a new-type service-inscription indicating the stamp's intended rate usage, "Nonprofit 5-digit Zip + 4". Only plate number 1 exists. The plate numbers appear every 52 stamps in a roll.



The above cover contains contents dated June 29, 1989.

The earliest usages of the 7.1¢ Tractor coils tied on cover travelling through the mailstream are as follows:

<u>Plate Number</u>	<u>Earliest Known Usage Date On Cover</u>
1 tagged	5/29/87
1 non-profit	11/9/87
1 non-profit 5-digit Zip + 4	5/31/89

Though not actually seen by this writer, I understand that a commercial cover of the 7.1¢ non-profit coil #1 exists with contents dated 2/18/87. Existing PNC covers of the tagged version are likely philatelic contrivances, and as such should not be valued for more than \$3-\$5. 7.1¢ non-profit rate PNC commercial covers are not easily available, but they can occasionally be obtained from dealers for prices

ranging from \$5-\$10 each. 7.1c non-profit 5-digit Zip + 4 rate PNC commercial covers are tougher to find. In fact, I have received reports of only 14 existing commercial covers of that PNC.

There are no new EKV reports this month. Next month, I'll cover the 8.4c Wheelchair coil.

### Texas Philatelic Association sponsors Transportation Coil youth contest

The Texas Philatelic Association Inc. (TPA) is sponsoring a nationwide youth essay contest for junior philatelists (18 years old or younger).

PNC3 members who know junior PNC collectors or belong to local stamp clubs should pass along this information.

To enter this contest, submit an essay answering the question "Why are you interested in the United States Transportation Coil stamp series?" All essays should contain 200 to 500 words and be neat and easy to read. Judging will be based upon thoughts expressed by the youngster not the presentation of the essay. Adults may help with typing, but the thoughts, words and grammar must be the work of the entrant.

All entries must be postmarked by May 15, 1992. Each essay must have a cover sheet stating the name, home address and age of the writer. Entries should be mailed to Jane King Fohn, Editor, "The Texas Philatelist," Route 2, Box 352, Leander, TX 78645-9734.

Judges for the TPA Youth Transportation Coil Essay Contest will be Lyle Boardman, Austin, Texas; Harold Brown, Bowling Green, Ohio; Robert F. Gray, Austin, Texas; and Bradley B. Horton, Houston, Texas.

Boardman is a member of TPA. He is the Austin Stamp Club's treasurer and assistant AUSPEX stamp show chairman.

Brown is the editor of Coil Line, the monthly journal of the Plate Number Coil Collectors Club. His interest in plate number coils began shortly after the introduction.

Gray is a member of TPA, PNC3 and The Plate Number. He is on the Austin-Texas Stamp Club's board of directors and is publicity chairman for its annual AUSPEX show. He edits "The Philatex" newsletter of the San Antonio Philatelic Society.

Horton is a lifelong collector of U.S. and foreign stamps and postal stationery. He was the youngest officer of the United Postal Stationery Society, is a director of the society and president of the Houston Philatelic Society.

Dr. Joseph Agris of Houston, has donated autographed copies of his book "The Transportation Coil and other Plate Number Coil Issues," for each of the two TPA Youth Transportation Coil Essay Contest winners. Winning entries will be published in TPA's journal "The Texas Philatelist" and in Coil Line.

### PNC3 auction lot deadline April 18

Lots for the Plate Number Coil Collectors Club (PNC3) auction will be accepted by auctioneer Joe Sedivy until April 18. Auction rules and a copy of the form which must be submitted with each lot were published in the March issue of Coil Line. The forms may be reproduced so that you have one for each lot.

The auction listing will be published in the June issue of Coil Line. The deadline for bids will be June 30. Questions may directed to Joe at P.O. Box 41602, Chicago, IL 60641.

### NONDENOMINATED POSTAGE

Effective with *Domestic Mail Manual* (DMM) Issue 42 (3-15-92), DMM 141.5, 142.314, and Exhibit 142.314 are added to clarify current policy concerning postal stationery and nondenominated postage. DMM 142.3 is reorganized to correct errors in codification.

**141.5 Validity of Postal Stationery.** All stamped envelopes, postal cards, and aerogrammes issued by the United States since 1873 are valid for postage from any point in the United States or from any other place where U.S. domestic mail service operates under the conditions for postage stamps in 142.3.

**142.311 General.** All postage stamps issued by the United States since 1860, except for those listed in 142.32, are valid for postage from any point in the United States or from any other place where the U.S. domestic mail service operates.

**142.312 Airmail.** Airmail postage stamps may be used to pay regular postage and fees for special services.

**142.313 Unprecanceled Bulk Rate and Nonprofit Rate.** Unprecanceled bulk rate and nonprofit rate stamps may be used to pay regular postage and fees for special services if the mailpiece is endorsed above the address and below the postage to indicate the appropriate class of the piece and, if applicable, the special service requested. The total postage affixed must at least equal the postage charge for the class of the mail and, if applicable, the proper fee for the special service requested.

**142.314 Nondenominated.** All nondenominated postage and makeup rate stamps, including official mail stamps, are valid at the original rates of issue shown in Exhibit 142.314. Nondenominated postage may be used only for domestic mail.

(See Exhibit 142.314 pages 39-40.)

### Reports from members sorting commercial covers and mixtures

This report follows up a report of December 1991 of a report of one insurance company's mail dated Oct. 27 through Feb. 29, 1992.

"F" Flower		Mt. Rushmore	
1111	3	1	32
2222	2	2	5
		3	12
		4	19
		6	7
		7 (brown)	1
		9	5

Break down usage by state, of all of the PNC's I've gotten in the past six months.

"F: Flower No. 1111

CA-1, CT-1, DE-11, FL-1, GA-2, IL -9; MD-1, MO-11, NC-1, NJ-3, NY-1, PA-4, TN-2, TX-1, VA-1, WI-1.  
No. 1222

CA-1, IL-6, IN-3, KY-1, MO-1, NJ-1, PA-1, TN-1, VT-1.

No. 2221

IL-1, IN-1, MO-3.

No. 2222

CA-1, CT-1, DE-1, GA-1, IL-13, IN-3, LA-1, MO-9, NC-1, NJ-1, NY-1, PA-1, SC-1.

29c Flower Rouletted S1111

IN-1, MA-1, NH-1, NJ-4, NU-1, PA-2, WV-1.

29c Flower Rouletted S2222

CA-1, ST-1, NJ-1, NY-2, OH-1, PA-1.

29c Flag No. 1

CA-3, FL-1, GA-2, IA-1, IL-5, IN-2, KY-1, MD-2, MI-1, MO-2, NH-1, NJ-16, NY-20, OK-1, PA-11, RI-1, WV-1.

29c Flag No. 2

AL-1, AR-1, IL-1, LA-1, MO-3, NJ-3, NY-1, OH-3, PA-1, SC-2, TX-1.

29c Flag No. 3

CA-1, CT-1, FL-1, GA-3, IA-1, IL-7, IN-1, MI-1, MO-9, NJ-14, NY-22, OH-1, PA-19, PR-1, SC-1, TN-2, TX-3.

29c Flag No. 4

AL-3, AR-1, AZ-1, CT-1, DE-2, FL-1, CA-1, IL-4, MA-3, MD-3, MO-5, NC-1, NJ-2, NY-8, OH-1, PA-5, RI-1, TX-1, ??-1.

29c Flag No. 6

CA-3, CO-1, FL-1, GA-1, IN-1, IL-1, MD-2, MO-1, NJ-5, NY-4, PA-3, WV-1.

29c Flag No. 7

AL-1, CA-3, CO-2, CT-3, DE-5, FL-3, GA-4, IA-1, ID-1, IL-12, IN-1, KY-1, KS-1, LA-2, MA-1, MD-1, MO-6, NC-2, NJ-17, NY-36, OH-1, PA-16, TX-4, VA-5, Wv-2.

29c Flag No. 9

CT-1, NJ-1, NY-1, PA-1, ??-1.

Anyone wishing to add to these figures contact R.J. Novak, 56 Glencort Ave., Edison, NJ 08837. Novak thanks Carl Wicklund for his additional input.

In August of 1991 I submitted the results of my review of commercial covers containing "F" and Rushmore stamps. I have now completed my review of the covers postmarked through December, 1991 as follows:

"F" stamp	Thru August	Sept. thru Dec.	Total	%
1111	52	34	86	18
1211	0	0	0	0
1222	59	20	79	16.6
2211	5	2	7	1.5
2222	233	71	304	63.9
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>476</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Mt. Rushmore</b>				
1	32	87	119	15.6
2	5	14	19	2.5
3	53	141	194	25.5
4	35	66	101	13.3
6	7	13	20	2.6
7	105	204	309	40.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>762</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Submitted by Tom S. Malek 2544 Belle Monte, Shelby Twp., MI 48316

## Reports from members sorting commercial covers and mixtures

I'd like to report the results of searching a 25-pound definitive mixture that I received from Swan in December. Quantities are in parenthesis. Damaged copies were counted.

29c Mt. Rushmore - 1 (10); 2 (1); 3 (9); 4 (16), 6 (3); 7 (32).

F - 1111 (34); 1222 (38); 2222 (65); 2211 (2) 1211- not a one.

25c Yosemite Block - 1 (1); 2 (0); 3 (0); 4 (2); 5 (4); 7 (4); 8 (11); 9 (1);

25c Yosemite Prephosphored - 1 (1); 2 (7); 3 (4); 5 (2); 6 (0); 7(12); 8 (7); 9 (30); 10 (11); 11 (16); 13 (35); 14 (26); 15 (9).

4c Steam Carriage - 1 tagged (1).

Miscellaneous (63).

The cancels were nationwide and appeared to end around July 1, 1991. None of the Mount Rushmore numbers were on solid non-splotchy tagged paper. I check another 900 or so non-PNCs and did turn up a single solid tagged example, city of origin unknown.

On unnumbered Steam Carriage stamps, 66 of 84 were tagged. Since the untagged version was printed second this ratio may change over time.

Among the miscellaneous was a line pair of the 1c Omnibus with only a trace of a number at the bottom and none at the top. The ink jet markings tend to smear the F stamps when wet. Highlights of the ink jet markings were a Rushmore No. 1. with an ink jet 1 and an unnumbered strip of 5 of the 5c Circus Wagon canceled in Roanoke, VA with a complete Dayton, Ohio ink jet marking.

Doug Iams, 1855 Victoria Landing, San Jose, CA 95132-3703

One-pound mixture from Swan. There were a possible 1,130 PNC stamps in the mixture. The following PNC singles were found.

20c Fire Pumper No. 3 (1); 20c Flag No. 3 (1); 22c Flag T no number (3); 22 Flag - 3 (1); 8 (1); 10 (1); 12 (2); 15 (1); 18 (1); 19 (1).

25c Bread Wagon - No. 3 (1); 25c Honey Bee - Full Serif No. 1 (1); 2 (1); 25c Flag Yosemite No. 9 (Block) (1); No. 9 (pre) (1); 29c Mt. Rushmore No. 1 (1); E Earth No. 1111 (2); F Flower No. 1222 (2); 2222 (1); 2211 (1). Total 25 singles. 2.21 percent were PNCs. Estimated retail cost \$17.60. Cost of mix, \$7.50, including shipping.

Bill O'Connor, 3706 Hackett Drive, Long Beach, CA 90808

Another 100,000 commercial covers, give or take a few thousand, have been examined with the following results. As a reminder, these covers all come from the Northwest, but east of the Cascades. Last month's total are included for comparison.

Stamp	Jan. total	Dec. total
Mt. Rushmore		
1	47	46
2	31	23
3	86	98
4	20	13
6	9	4
7	110	75
9	1 (dated Jan. 24)	0
Mt. Rushmore Gravure		
A11111	0	1
"F" Tulip		
1111	1	4
1222	7	6
2222	12	16
29c Tulip		
S1111	67	59
S2222	69	39
Miscellaneous	5 (1c-3, 4c-2)	
TOTALS	465	384

This was written Feb. 13. This week two 20c Mt. Rushmore No. 8's showed up, both from Spokane, WA. No. 5's and a couple of more No. 9's. Am also looking into a report on a "red" Mt. Rushmore stamp.

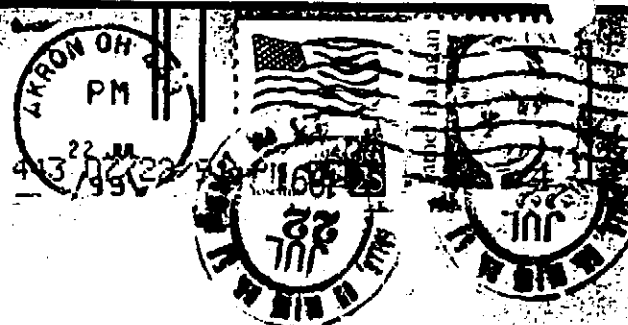
Howard Foster, 2503 S. Tekoa, Spokane, WA 99203-2457

### Cover of the Month

RETURN ADDRESS

**N** J. D. Nine  
1139 Sackett Ave.  
Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44223

AKRON OHIO 44322



### CITY OF CUYAHOGA FALLS

Utility Billing Department

P.O. BOX 361

CUYAHOGA FALLS, OHIO 44222-0361



This cover featuring a 25c Flag No. 8 has been cancelled by three different cancellations all dated July 22, 1991... a handstamp, a machine cancel and an ink jet spray cancel. (Cover courtesy of Tom Maeder.) If anyone has a candidate for Cover of the Month, please send a photocopy of your cover against a black background to Rob Washburn, P.O. Box 840, Skowhegan, Maine 04976.

#### Reports from (Continued <sup>from</sup> page 53)

I recently purchased some PNC mixtures from Bobby Reece and here are my findings.

PNC singles:		
17c Electric Auto No. 2 -2	"E" Earth	1111-38
18c Flag No. 4-1		1211-8
20c Flag No. 2-2		1222-10
		2222-3
		6-1
22c Flag No. 1-1	3-1	
	4-1	5-2
	6-1	8-1
	19-1	

#### Commercial Covers

- 1907 No. 2 uncanceled on No. 6 envelope; No. 3 canceled on No. 10 envelope torn at top; No. 5 cancelled on No. 6 envelope; No.9, cancelled on No. 6 envelope.
  - 1891 No. 2 uncanceled on No. 6; No.'s 2 and No. 4 (2), cancelled, all on No. 10 envelopes.
  - 1895 No. 2 uncanceled on No. 7; No.'s 8 & 9 cancelled on No. 10 envelopes.
- Dean Hawk, 502 Stewart N.W., Massillon, OH 44646

#### From the internal weekly newsletter of the USPS in Erie, PA

Pittsburgh has advised us that precanceled stamp permit holders may no longer use 5.3-, 7.1-, 7.6-, 10.1-, 13.0-, 13.2-, 16.7-, 20.5-, 21.0-, and 24.1-, cent precanceled stamps in payment for postage. You may use .05 and .10 precanceled stamps with the balance paid on a meter strip. The Vault has a good supply of 7976A Eagle and Shield bulk rate coils of 500 and 7977A Eagle and Shield bulk rate coils of 3,000. We also have 7921-A first class presort flag coils of 3,000 and 7920-A coils of 500. Look for an announcement in future bulletins and newsletters for a date to return old coils either to the Vault or for destruction. Once again the 1-800-PICUSPS number has been successful. Thank you. (CHRIS PRICE, ACTING SUPT W/S)

Examples of Eagle & Shield usage on commercial covers



\$5,000 CASH INVESTMENT

**SOUTHWESTERN REGIONAL OFFICE**  
5319 University Dr., Dept. 136, Irvine, CA 92715

**\$2000.00 FINE OR 5 YRS. IMPRISONMENT**  
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**SEE TIT. 18 SEC. 1708-U.S. CODE**  
Theft of U.S. Mail is punishable by fines of up to \$2000 or 5 years in prison or both.

**PRIVATE BUSINESS USE**

**JOHN PAUL GREENWOOD DDS**  
276 W 9TH ST  
UPLAND CA 91786-5949

BLK. RT.



Eagle & Shield commercial covers provided by Richard [redacted] (top), Frank Covey and John Greenwood.

# Membership

Names of applicants are published for members to review. Any member who questions the suitability of a prospect should contact the Chairman of the Membership Committee, Gene Trinks, 3603 Bellows Court, Troy, MI 48083, with the objection. The committee will investigate and recommend for or against membership.

## New Applicants:

Michael J. Stefan  
37740 Tackstem Street  
Palmdale CA 93550

Camilla Wolff  
5115 Red Fox  
Brighton, MI 48116

Joseph Papaj  
12003 S. Pewaukee Street  
Phoenix, AZ 85044

Raymond Kusmierski  
7942 N. Ring Drive  
Citrus Springs, FL 32630

E. L. "Pete" Peterson  
4501 E. 23rd Street  
Tulsa, OK 74114

Leonard T. Mead  
P.O. Box 6  
Paola, KS 66071

David Bize  
Rt. 5  
Lincoln, NE 68508

Jerry Lorenzen  
P.O. Box 1173  
Storm Lake, IA 50588

Per the new PNC3 bylaws, membership numbers will not be assigned until the applicant is accepted.)

## Change of Address:

None reported.

## Death:

James S. Cline, Los Angeles, CA.

## Dropped:

(All for nonpayment of dues)

William Griffiths  
Richard Latham

# Ads

"HELP HELP" I need help with the 10c Eagle & Shield. Does anyone else need help? Send want/have list and I'll return mine with offer. Trades not restricted to Eagles. Write Bob Novak, 56 Glencourt Ave., Edison, NJ 08837; or call 908-738-0056 after 6 p.m. EST.

HAVE 100 PNC USED singles, 41 different issues, no duplicates; Trends value over \$165. Will trade for souvenir pages equal value or ? George Capuzzo, 1708 Thunderbird, NcKinleyville, CA 95521.

PNCs FOR SALE very reasonable prices. Send SASE for list to: Steve Hamrick, 2404 W. Dengar Ave., Midland, TX 79705-6321.

ULTRA VIEW MOUNTS: The only stamp mounts on the market that allow transmission of UV light thus having acid free paper inserts for facilitating stamp insertion and retention. Coil stip package \$6.00. Mueggenburg, 3525 Bluff Court, Carmichael, CA 95608.

WANTED-MINT COIL SCRAPS, broken rolls, full rolls etc. Minimum strips of 10 at face or will exchange for my PN used coils and mint plate strips of 3 & 5 of the Transportation coils. Write for copy of items wanted. Art Damm, 1750 Skippack Pike No. 1603, Center Square, PA 19422.

COLLECTOR WISHES TO TRADE Eagle/Shield PSSs for same with different numbers. My numbers are A11111, A11112, A21112, A22113, A33335, A43326. I need only one or two of each and my supplies are limited. Bob Shuman, 1621 Chamberlane Dr., Chambersburg, PA 17201.

WANTED: ALL THE NEW ink jet sprays cancels on any cover, especially the various holiday types and newer cities. Also, any PNC precancelled commercial covers, especially the older Cottrells and the new 10c Eagle & Shield and 23c Flag Presort. TOP PRICE PAID. Rob Washburn, P.O. Box 840, Skowhegan, Maine 04076.

WANTED: 25c Yosemite No. 1 phosphor commercial covers and used singles. Will pay cash or trade for other commercial covers. Bob Reece Jr., P.O. Box 511520, St. Louis, MO 63151. Phone 314-487-1201 after 5 p.m.

BUY AND TRADE, tagging varieties, misperf, imperf EFOs. Mueggenburg, 3525 Bluff Court, Carmichael, CA 95608.

TRADES WANTED. Eagle & Shield A21112 available, need all others. Need some current flags also. Write first for want list and other trade possibilities, Frank Beck, Box 252, Little Chute, WI 54140.