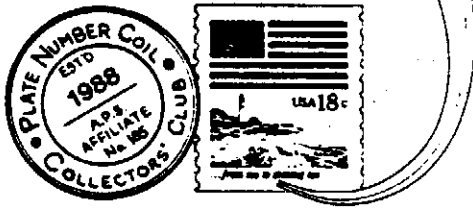


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## Agris slide show featured at Plymouth, MI, meeting

Some of the regulars were missing (with good reason) and attendance didn't match the level of 1994 but the Regional Meeting at the Plymouth Show, Saturday, April 29 was enjoyed by about 30 members and guests. It's the only APS World Series of Philately show in Michigan.

Bob Johnston served as host for the meeting, coming by the job when Gene Trinks realized how much trouble he'd be in if he wasn't in attendance at his son's graduation from the University of Michigan. Bob read the script for the slide show of Dr. Joseph Agris on the Flag Series of Plate Number Coils.

After the program the group shared information and did some trading and selling.

The USPS counters on the show floor were busy with PNC3 members before and after the meeting. Two of the clerks are especially adept at marketing the coils and are keenly aware of things that interest us. They've probably been well-trained by the serious members who live in the Detroit area. The USPS booth also offers an opportunity to pick up non-coil material. The clerks always seem to have a fair supply of commemorative sheets that Philatelic Fulfillment has removed from sale.

There was some discussion of the back numbered coils. Jim Adams said his business had shown good demand for the coincidental back numbers and front plate numbers. He had not detected much interest in back numbers that did not appear within a few stamps of the plate number.

Pat Buse of Cincinnati said those interested in collecting longer strips (up to 13) could use the Lighthouse pages and mount the strips vertically. Pat also announced plans are being made for a Regional Meeting Aug. 5 at CINPEX in Cincinnati. He said the baseball Reds are home that weekend.

Wayne Youngblood of Scott's *Stamp Monthly* attended with one of his son's but didn't have any special PNC news to share.

Also notable by her absence was PNC3 Secretary Joann Lenz and husband Kurt. Both were in Boxborough, MA, attending to Bureau Issues Association business. She is a BIA official.

## Collecting Interests update begins

The annual update of Collecting Interests of members of the Plate Number Coil Collectors Club begins this month.

The final eight pages of the June *Coil Line* covers the alphabet from Abbott through McLaren. The final six pages will be published in the July issue. This is the first time the list has not been published in the same month. After stuffing all of the list into one issue last year, it became apparent the better choice would be to break it roughly in half. This helps keep the editor within the budget and prevents rumblings from our distribution manager Alan Thomson.

Members are encouraged to use the list to establish trading partners. The interests include mint singles and strips of 3 or 5; used singles or pairs or longer; varieties such as gaps, plate and mat, errors, freaks and oddities; paper types, commercial covers, FDCs and the all-inclusive "other." If you have an interest that falls under "other," Secretary Joann Lenz may be able to put you in contact with other members with similar "other" interests. Write her with what you're looking for and include an SASE. Please be patient, Joann is a busy person.

## Boxborough show turns into unofficial gathering

Philatelic Show 95, the annual APS World Series of Philately show held in Boxborough, MA, April 28-30 served as a great opportunity for PNC3 members to hold an unofficial regional meeting.

Show organizers were able to find an unoccupied meeting room the group could use for an hour Saturday. Despite the fact the group was not on the schedule, a sign placed at the show entrance drew 17 people (including 14 members).

The time was used for a general exchange of information and news on PNCs. Notables in attendance were Secretary Joann Lenz, *Coil Line* distribution agent Alan Thomson, PNC dealer Al Cibulskas and Gold Medal exhibit winner Bill McMurray. After the meeting several members gathered for a short trading session.

Unfortunately there were no PNC exhibits at the show.

Report submitted by Tony Bruno  
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New London, CT 06320

## Letters

### Coils available through Tucson post office

To the Editor:

Renate Fearonce, the clerk at the Tucson, AZ, philatelic window has available the following:

- .01 Omnibus #2 and #3 B Press (#2 split PNC, #3 low but clear).
- .02 Locomotive #s 8 & 10.
- .03 Conestoga Wagon #2.
- .04 Steam Carriage #1.
- .05 Canoe #1.
- .05 Circus Wagon #S1.
- .10 Tractor Trailer #1
- .10 Auto Car Front S1111.
- .10 Eagle & Shield 22222 and A77777
- .11 Stutz Bearcat #s 1 & 2.
- .11 Caboose #2.
- .15 Tail Fin #s 1111 & S1111.
- .17 Electric Auto #s 3 & 4.
- .19 Fishing Boat #s A2424 & 1111.
- .23 Flag/USA #1111.
- .25 G presort S1111.
- .25 Juke Box #s S1111 and 11111.
- .29 Flag White House #11.
- .32 G #s A1111, A1211, A1212, A2214, A3433, S1111 R and S2222 R.
- 1.00 Seaplane #3.

These were in stock as of April 29. Orders should be sent to Mrs. Renate Fearonce, Philatelic Clerk, USPS Main Post Office, 1501 S. Cherrybell, Tucson, AZ 85726.

Dick Koenig  
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Tucson, AZ 85751

### S1111 with back number 3000

To the Editor:

After I had bought the strips and scraps from the coil vending machine from the caretaker, I discovered that I had an end strip of 7 with top back number 3,000 and on the front of the back numbered stamp was plate S1111.

It took me a couple of days before I realized the rarity of this item. A strip of 5 with back number on the PNC stamp is advertised from \$12 to \$20 each, and there should be one of these every 330 stamps. The plate number on the front of the #3000 back numbered stamp should average one on every 33 rolls of 3,000, or one in every 99,000 stamps. How should I establish a value on this item?

Everett Wheeler  
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(Editor's Note: My best guess on establishing a value is simply by asking other informed collectors what they might pay for such a strip. Since the stamp is at the end of the roll I'm willing to bet some would question its value since it isn't "centered in the strip" but at the same time, how many other members have come up with such an item?)

### Strip of stamps with splice gets APS certificate

To the Editor:

As I reported last month I sent the strip of stamps with a splice in the middle of the plate stamp to the American Philatelic Expertizing Service. I have received certificate 96081 dated April 28, 1995 stating:

"Members of the American Philatelic Expertizing Service have examined the item submitted and it is their opinion that it is United States Scott No. 2891, strip of 80 with a processing splice at position 52 between back numbers 1970 and 1980, unused, full original gum, genuine in all respects."

Now, all I have to do is find some way to store this item. Currently I have the stamps rolled in coil format and I guess that is how I will keep it. Anyone with other suggestions may let me know.

Stephan G. Kravitz  
2703 Covered Bridge Road  
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### Feeding mechanism cause for extra perfs

To the Editor:

Regarding the Perf Varieties in *Coil Line Page 81*.

These holes are caused by the feeding mechanism. In this case the perf holes have jumped out of the sprocket holes on the dispenser. Most of the holes are filled by the pointy pins but one less than the amount on the stamp, to allow for variances in the coil perfs. The fit is tight so there are "nice" holes, but not real perfs are made. See that upper or lower is missing one "punch."

Sign me "Third Tier of the Study Group."

(Editor's Note: The postmark on the postcard appears to be from Southern Maryland and the card contains a drawing that wouldn't reproduce properly.)

### Commercial covers from the Southwest

To the Editor:

The following PNCs were found on commercial covers from the ladies wear mail order company in Tucson, AZ, for the period April 1 through April 30, 1995.

29c Flag White House - 1-1; 2-8; 3-4; 4-22; 5-6; 6-21; 7-68; 8-22; 9-2; 10-44; 11-105; 12-23; 13-20; 14-16; 15-21; 16-45.

32c G Old Glory - A1111 -22; A1112 -2; A1222 - 7; A1311 - 10; A1313 - 42; A1314 - 6; A1324 - 11; A1433 - 2; A 2212 - 4; A2213 - 37; A2214 - 86; A2313 -4; A3113 - 32; A3114 - 1; A3314-72; A3323 - 4; A3324 -54; A3423 - 3; A3426 - 2; A3433 - 30; A3435 -3; A3436 - 20; A4426 - 2; A4427 - 12; A5327 - 14; A5417 - 6; A5427 - 19; 1111 -15; 2222 - 9; S1111 (R) - 47; S1111 (P) -15; S2222 (R) - 270.

PNC commercial cover collectors should be aware that many of the G numbers have not as of yet turned up in any number as per this report and other published reports. It's time to keep an eye out and check with other members.

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(More letters on second Membership page)

# SNIPPETS

## New Numbers

The Stamp Venturers number for the Eagle and Shield reprint we didn't have last month is S22222.

## Printing Information

Stamp printing information, long promised by USPS, is starting to come through. What makes this so encouraging is that USPS is using a carefully made two page form that lists just about everything anyone would want to know about a given issue. Whoever built the form knew what he was doing, making us suspect it has its roots in the philatelic community. This is a real step forward and will make compiling the catalog much easier. The data supplied need very little manipulation for entry into our PNC catalog. Three cheers.

## Study Group Dissolved

The association known as The Plate Number Coil Study Group has been dissolved by its coordinator, Richard Nazar. In a letter to all its members, Nazar indicated his belief that the group had exhausted its usefulness and that it had segregated itself from a broadening PNC community. Other concerns were also expressed. He thanked (then) current and past members for their contributions to the study of PNCs. The catalog will continue to be published.

## Why?

We'd certainly like to know the reasoning that went into the selection of a First Day of Issue site for the 20c Cog Railway stamp to be released in June. Just exactly what connection does (flat) Dallas, Texas, have with any cog railway stamp, especially one that depicts a locomotive that was specifically built for and operated only on New Hampshire's Mt. Washington. The Mt. Washington Railway is still operating, and last year celebrated its 125th anniversary. Come on you Beltway bureaucrats, this is outrageous.

## Some Compensation

Thanks to the efforts of former PNC3 president Don Eastman, there will be a USPS supported second day program for the Cog Railway Locomotive stamp. It is planned for Bretton Woods, NH, although there's a possibility it could be moved to the Mt. Washington base station, as a summer post office exists there. The Mt. Washington Railway Co. printed special cacheted envelopes for last year's celebration (see item above) and they will be for sale and use as second day covers. Printed programs and a special cancel are planned. By the time you read this there won't be enough time to write, but you can contact Don at the Milan, NH, post office by calling 603-449-2174. He'll have the latest information. Date/time are June 10 at 11:00 AM, EDT.

## Membership Losses/Gains

The membership renewal process always brings losses, and this year's are pretty much in line with those of the past. Our year end membership of 764 was reduced by 65 people who chose not to renew. That's about 8.5%. In the meantime new members have brought current membership to 746.

## New Plate Number Intervals

The plate number intervals for Stamp Venturers' printings of the (5c) Butte, (10c) Auto, (15c) Tail Fin, (25c) Juke Box, 5c Circus Wagon reprint S1, and the (10c) Eagle and Shield S22222 are all 14. Stamp Venturers has relied on J. W. Fergusson & Sons' Champlain presses for such gravure issues. The question is, how did a press with a reported cylinder circumference of 28 subjects produce rolls with a 14 number interval? In the past each revolution of a press had only one number per row. (Cottrell presses excepted) Not any more. Apparently USPS is now requiring TWO plate numbers per revolution per row, or one for each half revolution. BEP has frequently called that half revolution of a coil printing a "sheet". To support the idea that two numbers are now being used, check your latest issue of the PFSC *Stamps, Etc.* The minimum number of stamps required to obtain a plate number of the Cog Railway or the Ferryboat is 25. Since these two BEP stamps are from the C or D press, both with a sleeve circumference of 48 subjects, the number interval must be 24. PFSC has always required purchase of one stamp more than the interval to assure a plate number. If this holds for the future, it means more PNCs per roll and less scrap with which collectors and dealers must contend. Is USPS really catering to us collectors, or is there another reason for this shift? Either way, it's welcome news.

## Beat the Gouge

None of us likes the outrageous handling charges USPS has instituted for PFSC orders. But like any unfair rule, there is a way to beat it. Form an association of about ten people, select a coordinator and send in a consolidated order to Kansas City once each quarter. The top charge, based on the dollar value of the order, is \$9.20. You can amortize that top charge over the number of individuals ordering and thus reduce it to about a dollar. Yes, there will be a cost to remail to the people who participated, but the total would be small in comparison to that incurred by single orders. *Illigitimus non carborundum.*

## Catalog Prefixes for New Issues

Some of the new nondenominated gravure printed coils establish new series. The (5c) Butte is in the American Scenes Series that will have the PNC Catalog prefix of AS. The Butte will be AS5-S111. The (10c) Auto and (15c) Tail Fin introduce the American Transportation Series that will have a Catalog prefix of AT. The (25c) Juke Box is the first in the American Culture Series and will carry a prefix of AC. All three series will probably be given separate sections in the 1996 revision of the Catalog.

## Real SA Coils Coming

Next October the BEP expects to receive a coiling machine designed for self stick coils. These stamps will be on thin backing, have squiggly die cut separation, and be in bubble packs of 100 rolled to a diameter only about 1/2 inch larger than regular gummed coils. Larger rolls are planned too. They will not be a piggyback product of sheetlet printing as are current SA coils.

# The Gs .... Roll Sizes

## ABNC - # Interval 24

|       |                       |
|-------|-----------------------|
| A1111 | 100, 500, 3000, 10000 |
| A1112 | 100, 500, 3000        |
| A1113 | 100                   |
| A1211 | 500                   |
| A1212 | 500                   |
| A1222 | 100                   |
| A1311 | 100                   |
| A1313 | 100                   |
| A1314 | 100                   |
| A1324 | 100                   |
| A1417 | 100                   |
| A1433 | 100                   |
| A2211 | 500                   |
| A2212 | 100, 500              |
| A2213 | 100                   |
| A2214 | 100                   |
| A2223 | 100                   |
| A2313 | 100                   |
| A3113 | 100                   |
| A3114 | 100                   |
| A3314 | 100                   |
| A3315 | 100                   |
| A3323 | 100                   |
| A3324 | 100                   |
| A3423 | 100                   |
| A3426 | 100                   |
| A3433 | 100                   |
| A3435 | 100                   |
| A3436 | 100                   |
| A4426 | 100                   |
| A4427 | 100                   |
| A4435 | 100                   |
| A5327 | 100                   |
| A5417 | 100, 3000             |
| A5427 | 100                   |
| A5437 | 100                   |

|                    |           |
|--------------------|-----------|
| A11111 (NONPROFIT) | 500, 3000 |
| A21111 (NONPROFIT) | 500, 3000 |

## BEP - # Interval 24

|      |     |
|------|-----|
| 1111 | 100 |
| 2222 | 100 |

## SV - # Interval below in ( )

|                     |                  |
|---------------------|------------------|
| S1111 ROULETTE (33) | 100              |
| S1111 PERF (33)     | 500, 3000, 10000 |
| S2222 ROULETTE (36) | 100              |
| S11111 PFC (33)     | 500, 3000        |

## AV - # Interval 18

|                 |      |
|-----------------|------|
| V11111 SELF ADH | 5004 |
|-----------------|------|

# CURRENT ISSUE ROLL SIZES

## KEY

05/11/85

A-100, B-500, C-3000, D-10000

EP - EMBEDDED PHOSPHOR PAPER

SP - SURFACE PHOSPHOR PAPER

## 23c LUNCH WAGON

|    |               |
|----|---------------|
| #2 | A, B, C       |
| #3 | A, B (SP)     |
| #3 | A (EP, DULL)  |
| #3 | A (EP, SHINY) |

## (10c) TRACTOR TLR

|     |   |
|-----|---|
| #11 | C |
| #22 | C |

## (10c) EAGLE & SHIELD

## 5c CIRCUS WAGON

|    |            |
|----|------------|
| #1 | B, C       |
| #1 | B, C (UNT) |
| A1 | D          |
| A2 | D          |
| A3 | D          |
| S1 | D          |

## #A1010101010 B, C, D

|              |      |
|--------------|------|
| #A1011101010 | C    |
| #A1011101011 | C    |
| #A1011101012 | C, D |
| #A1110101010 | C, D |
| #A1110111010 | C, D |
| #A1110101011 | C    |
| #A1111101010 | C, D |

## (5c) BUTTE

|      |      |
|------|------|
| S111 | C, D |
|------|------|

## #A1111111010 C, D

|              |   |
|--------------|---|
| #A1211101010 | C |
|--------------|---|

## #A1411101010 B, D

|              |      |
|--------------|------|
| #A1411101011 | C, D |
|--------------|------|

## (10c) AUTO

|      |         |
|------|---------|
| S111 | B, C, D |
|------|---------|

## #A1412111110 D

|              |      |
|--------------|------|
| #A1412111111 | C, D |
|--------------|------|

## (15c) TAIL FIN

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| 11111  | C |
| S11111 | D |

## #11111 B, C

|        |      |
|--------|------|
| #22221 | B, C |
|--------|------|

## #22222 B

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| #22222 (DULL) | B |
|---------------|---|

## (25c) JUKE BOX

|        |      |
|--------|------|
| 111111 | B, C |
| S11111 | D    |

## #33333 B

|         |   |
|---------|---|
| #S11111 | D |
|---------|---|

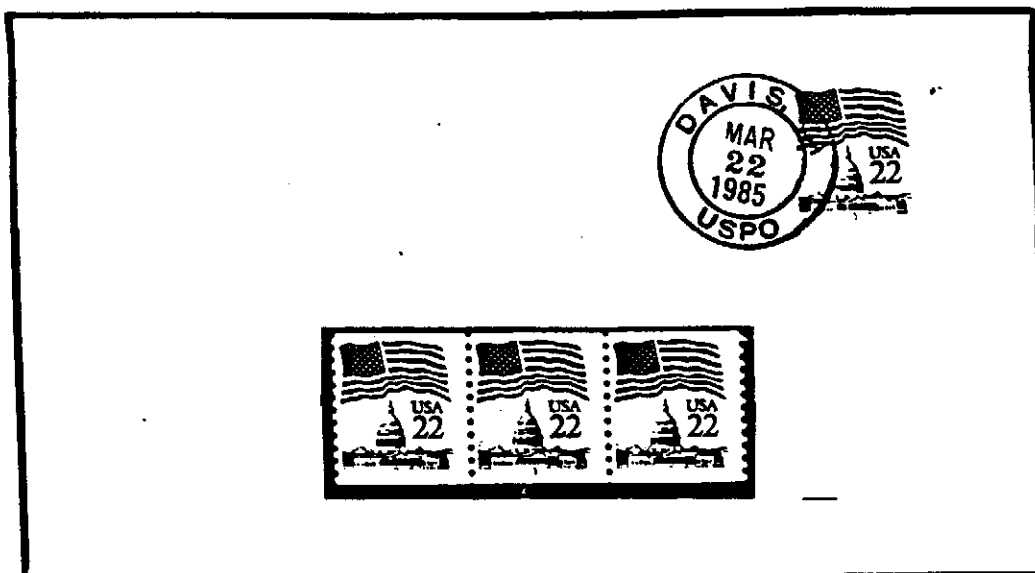
## #S22222 D

# COMMERCIAL COVERS

Installment #62

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My December 1, 1994 Commercial Covers article (installment #60) featured a couple unusual earliest usage PNC covers. One was Dennis Chamberlain's 22¢ Flag #1 cover. That cover, pictured below, was prepared and handcancelled at Dennis' local post office on 3/22/85, 7 days before the official first day of issue. The cover did not go through the mailstream. I asked readers if we should accept Chamberlain's cover as the EKU.

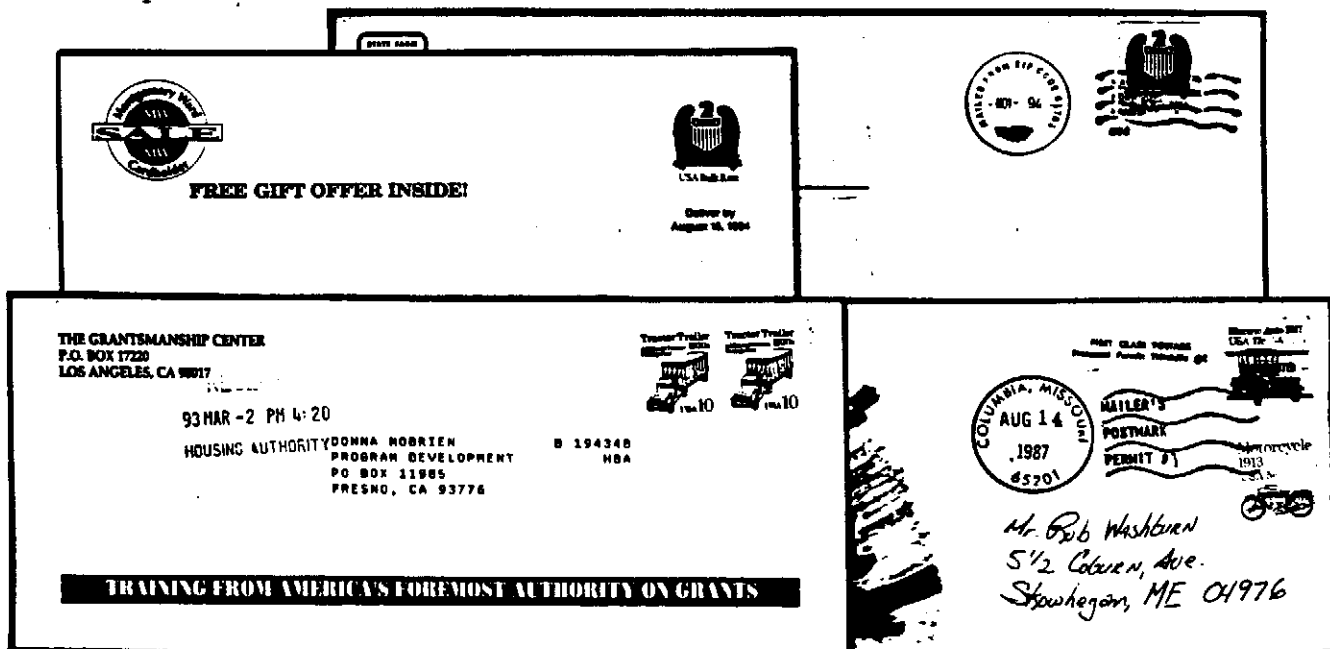


Phil Cole's letter stated that we should not accept the 3/22/85 date because the 22¢ Flag coil hadn't yet been officially issued. Most of the rest of you, however, felt that Chamberlain's cover should be recognized as the EKU.

The other cover featured in my December 1, 1994 article was the earliest known usage of the 10.9¢ Hansom Cab #2. That cover, which is pictured below, has a Savage Republic "cancel" dated 12/30/83 and San Francisco, CA machine cancel dated 1/7/84. I asked readers whether we should accept the Savage Republic "cancel" date or the USPS cancel date as the recognized earliest known usage date.



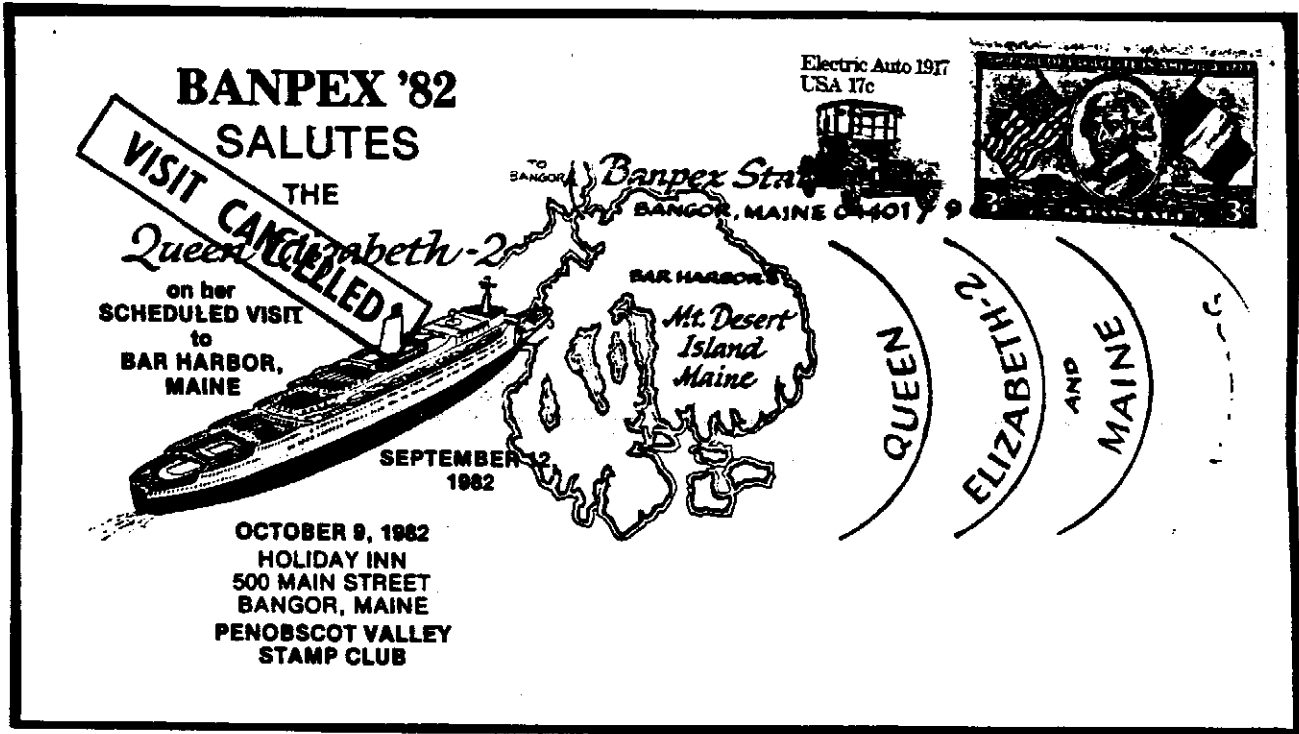
The consensus of those of you who wrote in was that the official USPS cancellation date (1/7/84) should be considered the earliest known usage date, not the date of the Savage Republic "cancel". Steve McCourty said that it would set a bad precedent if we were to accept a non-official "cancel" as the recognized EKU date. His sentiments were echoed by others. Ken Cherry, on the other hand, felt that perhaps we should consider recognizing mailer applied dates for EKU purposes. Ken sent copies of three of his covers, all having mailer applied dates. Two of the covers have dated mailer notices printed on the outside envelopes. The third cover had a bulk rate coil tied by a dated mailer's permit postmark. I would assume that these "mailer" dates are pretty reliable indications of when the covers were in the mailstream, but if we accept such dates for EKU purposes, are we opening a can of worms? Certainly, anyone with a mailer's permit postmark could cancel a stamp with any date they want, and envelopes with mailer printed dates, though reasonably accurate, don't absolutely prove the envelope was entered into the mailstream. What about covers with dated contents, should we accept the contents' date as the EKU date? What about rubber stamped date received handstamps sometimes applied to envelopes by businesses? Also, I'm sure many of you have seen junk mail PNC covers where collectors have handwritten on the back of the envelope the date the cover was found or received. Where do we draw the line?



I want to thank everyone who wrote in. Your letters emphasized the need to have one standard definition for EKU. I agree with Ken Cherry that this definition needs to apply to not only on cover usages, but also off cover usages. (We can have a separate category for earliest known usage on commercial cover "EKUCC"). It probably should not matter whether the PNC or PNC cover went through the mailstream or not. The recognized EKU date should be reliable and not susceptible to backdating. I would suggest that the recognized EKU date be only official USPS dated cancels or markings, but because "First Day of Issue" and most show/special event cancels have extended grace periods, they should be excluded. If anyone has any other ideas on this subject, please drop me a line.

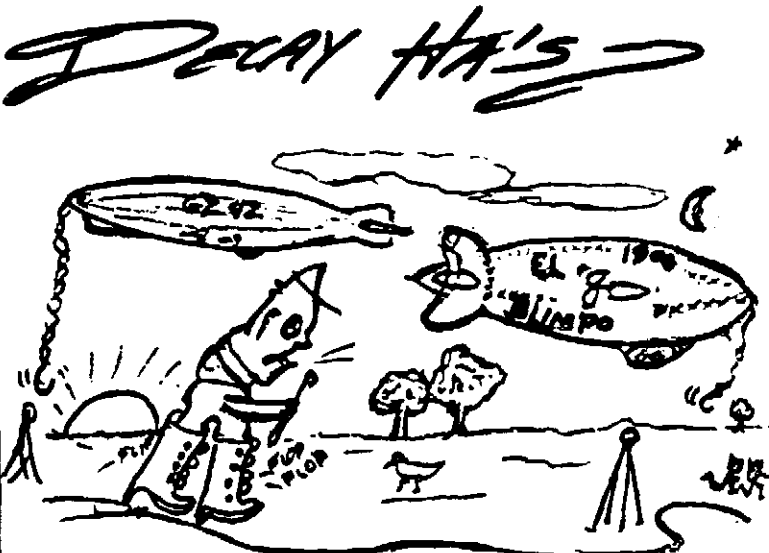
I'm still looking for EKU and EKUCC information for all the 32¢ G PNCs. Please let me know what you've found so far as I would like to do an article soon. Next time, I'll cover the 29¢ Flag over White House issue.

## COVER OF THE MONTH



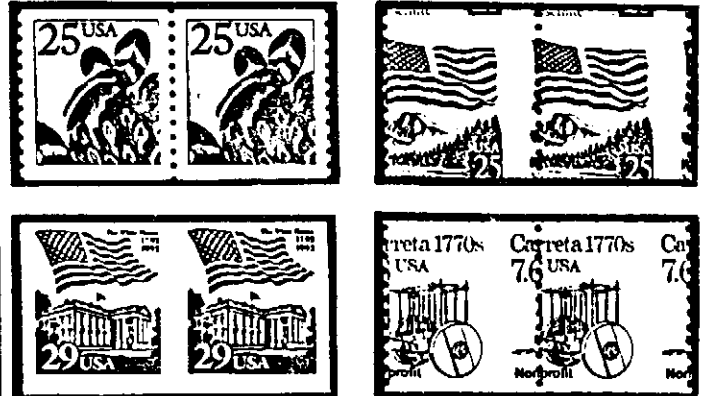
The above cover features a 10/9/82 fancy show cancel tying a 17c Electric Auto #1 PNC. (If you have a candidate for *Cover of the Month*, please send a photocopy of your cover against a black background to Rob Washburn, P.O. Box 840, Skowhegan, Maine 04976-0840.)

The USPS will issue 2 new coils in the Transportation Series in June '95. It is rumored additional designs are available for new denominations or usages - one of which may be an airship. Air Topicalists would love this.



"I'd sure like to hook up this pair before it's too late!"

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|        |     |
|--------|-----|
| A1111  | 56  |
| A1112  | 8   |
| A1113  | 1   |
| A1211  | 0   |
| A1212  | 2   |
| A1222  | 4   |
| A1311  | 18  |
| A1313  | 84  |
| A1314  | 6   |
| A1324  | 24  |
| A1417  | 2   |
| A1433  | 3   |
| A2211  | 1   |
| A2212  | 14  |
| A2213  | 140 |
| A2214  | 552 |
| A2223  | 0   |
| A2313  | 4   |
| A3113  | 211 |
| A3114  | 54  |
| A3314  | 187 |
| A3315  | 1   |
| A3323  | 33  |
| A3324  | 353 |
| A3423  | 4   |
| A3426  | 1   |
| A3433  | 136 |
| A3435  | 2   |
| A3436  | 280 |
| A4426  | 1   |
| A4427  | 95  |
| A4435  | 0   |
| A5327  | 28  |
| A5417  | 6   |
| A5427  | 167 |
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| S1111p | 141 |
| S1111r | 378 |
| S2222  | 752 |

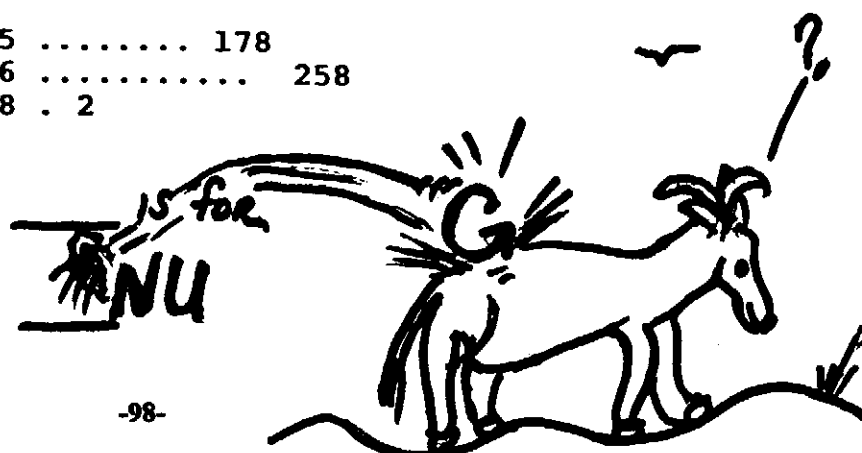
The feeding frenzy on the "G" rate coils has slowed down slightly and they have been here long enough in sufficient quantities; we have a good cross-section of reports; to crank up a graph to bring us up to speed toward the analysis of numbers and usage. I was fortunate enough to locate a source of covers from the MD area and hope they will continue to be forthcoming. They are included in this report as well as all Coil Line reports from Jan. through May issues. It is noteworthy there are still many numbers in short usage. Many numbers have wide distribution while others are quite localized. The rarity aspects seem to belie some of marketing prices, but the graph doesn't reflect mint availability.

The Flag/White House charts only reports from the last graph to show the current trends. This feature, started by Glen Estus, should help in evaluating scarcity and/or availability of PNCs and guide you accordingly. Please keep watching and reporting.

Dan Kauffman

Flag Over White House Coils

|    |     |
|----|-----|
| 1  | 4   |
| 2  | 110 |
| 3  | 26  |
| 4  | 61  |
| 5  | 20  |
| 6  | 49  |
| 7  | 429 |
| 8  | 100 |
| 9  | 19  |
| 10 | 379 |
| 11 | 711 |
| 12 | 76  |
| 13 | 83  |
| 14 | 38  |
| 15 | 178 |
| 16 | 258 |
| 18 | 2   |



# Membership

Names of applicants are published for members to review. Any member who questions the suitability of a prospective member should contact the chairperson of the Membership Committee, Joann Lenz, 37211 Alper Drive, Sterling Heights, MI 48312, with the objection. The committee will recommend for or against membership.

Membership will reach 747 if all applicants are accepted.

## New applicants:

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# PNC<sup>3</sup> meetings

A monthly listing of scheduled Regional and Annual Meetings will be published in *Coil Line*.

Regional Meetings are to be arranged through Dick Koenig, Regional Meeting Committee Chairperson, P.O. Box 31872, Tucson, AZ 85751. Please contact Dick as far in advance as possible.

**June 10** - TEXPEX. Contact Mary Jo Sample, 4501 Hale, The Colony, TX 75056. Home - 214-625-1323 or days at 214-458-6223.

**August 26** - Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO at STAMPSHOW. Details to come. For general STAMPSHOW info contact the American Philatelic Society at P.O. Box 8000, State College, PA 16803.

**Oct. 21** - CIAPEX-Central Iowa Philatelic Exposition, Des Moines, IA. Contact David Phelps, 3031-64th, Urbandale, IA 50322.

**Jan. 6, 1996** - ARIPEX, Mesa, AZ. Contact Dick Koenig, P.O. Box 31872, Tucson, AZ 85751.

**Feb. 3, 1996** - Sarasota National Stamp Exhibition, Sarasota, FL. Contact Tom Haire, 112 Fern Creek Drive, Flat Rock, NC 28731-9512. After Nov. 1, 16725 Bobcat Drive SW, Ft. Myers, FL 33908.

**May 18, 1996** - PIPEX, Salem, OR. Contact Larry Crain, P.O. Box 4395, Medford, OR 97501-0170.

## PNC programs are available

A series of slide shows and video tapes regarding Plate Number Coil collecting are available to members for use at local shows or club meetings.

For information and availability, contact Dick Koenig, Regional Meeting Chairperson, P.O. Box 31872, Tucson, AZ 85751. The only cost involved is for shipping the program back to Dick after its use.

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