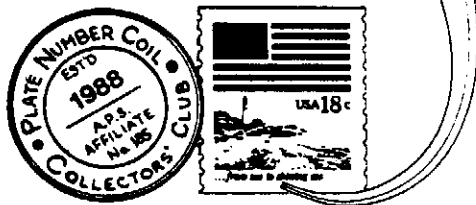


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Two versions of 32c Flag Over Porch due out May 19

Both the Bureau of Engraving and Printing and the Stamp Venturers versions of the 32c Flag Over Porch coil stamps are scheduled for release May 19 in Denver.

The self-adhesive version was to be issued on the same date but USPS said the popularity of that type of stamp was the reason behind an April 18 issue date in Washington, D.C.

The BEP used the gravure process to print the stamps, which are to be available in coils of 100, 500 and 3,000. The plate number will be a series of five numbers at 24-stamp intervals.

Although Stamp Venturers also printed stamps by the gravure process, the stamp is to have a slightly different appearance. This version will be available only in coils of 10,000. There will be five plate numbers preceded by an S at intervals of 14 stamps.

USPS order numbers listed in the April-May-June issue of *Stamps etc.* are as follows:

BEP version - Coil of 100 (7901); coil of 500 (7902) and coil of 3,000 (7903).

Stamp Venturer version - Coil of 10,000 (7904).

That same catalog also lists the following order numbers for the last issues in the Transportation Series.

20c Cog Railway (June 9 at Dallas) - Coil of 100 (7770); coil of 500 (7771); coil of 3,000 (7772).

32c Ferry Boat (June 2 at McLean, VA) - Coil of 100 (7900).

There will be a plate number every 25th stamp on these two stamps, both of which have been printed by the BEP using the intaglio process.

USPS drastically raised its shipping charges as of April 1.

Both the 29c Flag over Mount Rushmore and 29c Flag over White House remain available through the catalog.

Latest club auction results listed this month

Auctioneer Joe Sedivy has compiled the results of the latest club auction and the listing is a part of this issue. He plans the next auction for September and is now seeking lots. Please use the consignment sheet attached to this issue to submit lots.

Note that all material is due by May 31.

ECA-GARD machine use to expand

Up to 15 post offices in the Philadelphia area are to have ECA-GARD stamp vending machines installed this spring. Some may already be in place but that has not been confirmed.

ECA-GARD machines have been located in one Detroit and three Ann Arbor, MI, post offices for several months. Last month *Coil Line* reported one of two machines in Detroit had been moved to Ann Arbor. That city now has machines at its main office, Liberty Station and Green Road Station.

ECA-GARD machines are also located in the Brentwood Station in Washington, D.C., the National Capitol Branch, Freindship Heights Branch and Martin Luther King Branch, according to the April 17 issue of *Linn's Stamp News*.

In Miami the ECA-GARD machines can reportedly be found at the main post office, the Norland Branch, the Olympia Heights Branch and the Coral Gables Branch.

In the Los Angeles area the machines can be found at the Monterey Park office and at the processing and distribution center in Santa Ana.

Reports of the placement and/or movements of these machines would be appreciated.



Humor by S. Sherwood Day

Letters

E & S A 11 10 10 10 11 no longer a stranger

To the Editor:

I received my copy of the April *Coil Line* and immediately noticed Rob Washburn's report. I have also recently discovered this number on a solicitation from the Book of the Month Club, Camp Hill, PA. I believe I received this mailing sometime in January or February.

Gary Splittberger
5112 Hidden View Place
Billings, MT 59105

More on the 'illusiv'e' Eagle & Shield number

To the Editor:

Regarding the information from Rob Washburn in the April issue of *Coil Line*. Jerry Koepp of Stamps 'n Stuff had strips for sale this last weekend at the MASDA bourse at Westmont, IL. He had no limit on the amount of strips one could buy.

Irving Rish
1139 Tall Timbers Road
Schaumburg, IL 60173

(Editor's Note: In the April 24, 1995 issue of *Linn's Stamp News*, Ken Lawrence credits Mary Ann Owens with providing him the first copy of a cover using the Eagle & Shield A 11 10 10 10 11 stamp. The stamp was used on a cover from Columbia House Video. Lawrence reported that within a week of the find, mint strips were being offered dealers at \$20 wholesale. Prices in the classifieds of the same issue of *Linn's* offered the stamp at \$12 to \$16. That indicates a fairly good supply was found, although the price is still a premium over most of the Eagle & Shield stamps.)

Tucson Philatelic Window reopens

To the Editor:

The Tucson Philatelic Window has reopened. The new Philatelic Clerk, Mrs. Renate Fearonce, services and encourages mail orders.

The address is: USPS Main Post Office, 1501 S. Cherrybell, Tucson, AZ 85726.

The telephone number is 520-650-5168 and the hours of operation are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and noon to 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday. Her lunch hour is 2 to 3 p.m. each day. Please also adjust to your own time zone. The area code is also new.

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Flag over White House No. 18 - 12/13/94

To the Editor:

Early use Flag over White House No. 18 12/13/94. Are there earlier?

David Bize'
Rt. 5, Lincoln, NE 68508

Commercial covers from the Southwest

To the Editor:

Let's start out with a correction (editor's fault) regarding a 'G' A3424 in the April issue. There is no such number.

Following is the March 1 to 31 report for commercial covers from the ladies wear mail order company in Tucson:

29c Flag over White House - 1-0; 2-7; 3-3; 4-12; 5-2; 6-12; 7-37; 8-12; 9-1; 10-33; 11-70; 12-7; 13-7; 14-6; 15-21; 16-26; 18-0.

32c 'G' - A1111-26; A1113-1; A1222-4; A1311-9; A1313-45; A1314-1; A1324-9; A1417-2; A2212-2; A2213-38; A2214-100; A2313-2; A3113-30; A3314-62; A3315-1; A3323-3; A3324-49; A3423-4; A3426-1; A3433-52; A3435-1; A3436-15; A4426-1; A4427-15; A5327-17; A5417-1; A5427-24; 1111-10; 2222-5; S1111 (R)-40; S1111 (P)-16; S2222 (R)-206.

We can all pick out the 15 or so 'G's that have wide distribution and possible large printings. However, it is still too early to tell which of the low total will stay that way. We need more raw data. Please do report your findings to *Coil Line*.

Also, please report findings of White House No. 18 on commercial covers. There are now four verified on cover before the rate change and 10 after the rate change.

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Commercial covers -Southern New England

To the Editor:

These PNCs were found on commercial cover from about 125,000 covers postmarked Feb. 24 through March 30, 1995.

'G' - A1311-1; A1324-4; A1433-1; A2214-139; A3113-31; A3314-54; A3323-9; A3324-28; A3433-10; A3436-111; A4427-28; A5327-11; A5427-125; Total - 552. S1111 (P)-26; S1111 (R)-56; S2222 (R)-36; 2222-1. Total -119.

29c Flag/WH - 2-19; 3-1; 5-1; 7-7; 8-3; 9-2; 10-9; 11-25; 12-2; 13-4; 14-5; 15-10; 16-4. Total -92.

Others - 1c Omnibus 6-1; 1c Omnibus (RE) 2-10; 2c Locomotive 8-1; 10-1; 3c Handcar 2-1; 3c Conestoga Wagon 1-1; 3-1; 20c Fire Pumper 10-1; 25c Yosemite 7-1; 29c Flower (P) S2222-1; 29c Flag Mt. Rushmore 7-1. Total -20.

Still finding back numbered G 32c but no PNCs.

Thanks to Dan Kauffman for his April statistical flag report/graphic and his kind words.

Still no No. 17 or 18 (17 never reported) here.

Rolly Grandahl
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E. Windsor, CT 06088-0137

SNIPPETS

New Numbers

There are seven new numbers this month, all but one from the new gravure printed nondenominated bulk rate and presorted first class stamps. The (5c) Butte is S111, and the (10c) Auto is S111. The (15c) Tail Fin from BEP is 11111 and from Stamp Venturers it's S11111. The (25c) Juke Box from BEP is 111111, while that design from Stamp Venturers is S11111. Don't be confused by that last BEP number. It is six 1s. Finally, the redesigned Circus Wagon is S1.

ABNC "G" Count

It appears the final count of the 32c "G" stamp plate numbers from ABNC is 36. Several weeks have gone by and no new ones have been reported. The dust is still settling, but by our count 11 bogus numbers have made the rounds.

A New Number Interval

The Butte and Auto bulk rate stamps printed by J. W. Fergusson & Sons for Stamp Venturers exhibit a cylinder combination number interval of 14. We have not seen this spacing before and haven't been able to find out what press was used to print these stamps. In the past, Fergusson has used a Champlain press for gravure work. Could this be the same press with an altered cylinder size?

New Back Numbers Different

The back numbers on all the new nondenominated stamps from Stamp Venturers are different than those on the "G" stamps. All rolls of 500 or larger have the numbers but that's not the point of interest. What's important is that, when soaked, the new numbers disappear completely from the back of the stamp. None of the ink seeped through the gum into the paper, so when the gum is removed no trace of the number remains. In short, one cannot collect used back numbers if the envelope paper and stamp are separated.

Finding the PN/BN Combo

The new plate number interval of 14 creates a new set of rules for locating a plate number (PN) with a back number (BN) on it. Some rolls will never produce the desired combination because 14 (the interval) and 10 (the counting interval) are both even numbers. It all depends on whether the first plate number is an odd or even count from the start of the roll. When it is an odd count the back number progression is 1L, 5R, 1R, 3L, 3R, 1L, 5L, 1R, 3L and 3R. When it is an even count, the progression is 2L, 4R, PN, 4L, 2R. But one doesn't always know whether the initial spacing was odd or even on an opened roll. There is an easy way, however, without all these progression figures. Just look at the first available back number. If it is an odd count (1, 3, or 5) from the plate number, that roll can not produce a PN/BN combo. If it is even (2 or 4), there is a combo in there. Only then is the actual progression useful to tell you how far away the combination is.

E&S Missing Link Found Mint

Quantities of A1110101011 have been found by stamp searcher Diane Thompson. The initial retail price seems to be \$35.00 per PS5, indicating it's still scarce.

1c Omnibus - In Shrink Wrap?

A few weeks ago member Rich Nazar obtained a wrapper from the 1c Omnibus coil that was shrink plastic rather than the usual cellophane that BEP uses. This sort of thing is guaranteed to make the heart beat faster, but it turned out to be just another roll of #3. Still, an explanation was needed. BEP indicated that it was not a first and that if the supply of cellophane wrap runs out, the plastic used to shrinkwrap trays (boxes) of coil rolls will be used for individual rolls. Funny. Why hasn't one of these been found before?

Circus Wagon Redesigned

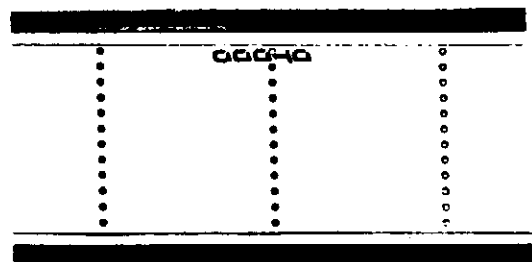
The rerun of the Circus Wagon five center has been reworked. The new version by Stamp Venturers reads "USA 5c" on the upper right side, rather than the familiar "USA 05" on the upper left side. The redesign also sports the new "1995" inscription in the lower left corner. USPS has indicated the cent sign will henceforth be used on values from 1c through 5c. We'd like to see it restored to all sub-dollar values.

Unannounced Withdrawal

The PFSC has told member Richard Beecher that the perforated 29c Flower coil, item #7709, was withdrawn from sale on 11 November 1994. This action was taken without warning or subsequent announcement.

Back Number on Perfs

Member Eugene Liu found the below illustrated copy of a Stamp Venturers' "G" back number that straddles the perforations rather than identifying a specific stamp. The perforation it spans is the "line", so it includes the plate number stamp (S1111) and the 1R stamp. The digits indicate this is early in the roll, and one wonders if any adjustment was made to the printing position, or are all back numbers in the roll on the perforations? Two other examples have also come to light, and one of them is a wanderer. The number moves from a correct position, to straddling the perfs, and back again. Maybe it's due to web speed.



New Old-Stuff

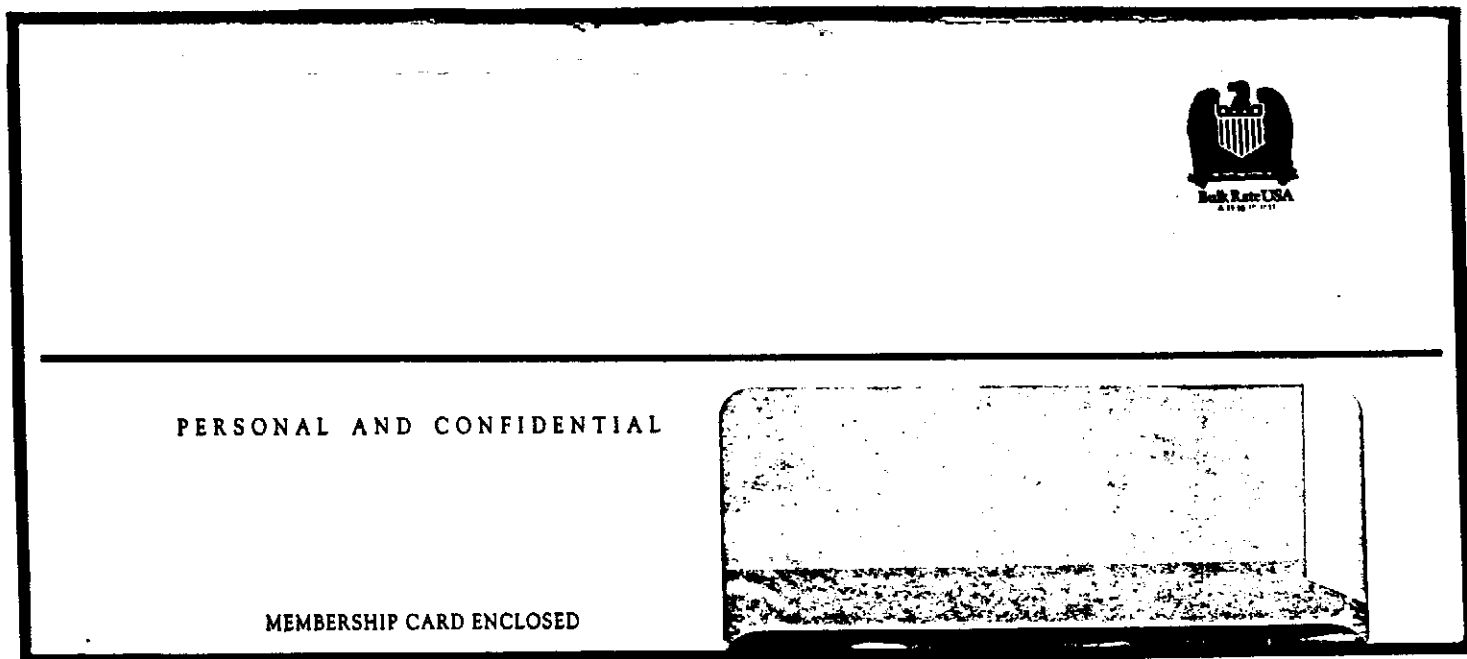
The Eagle and Shield is not dead. Word is, mass mailers don't like the new red and black "bullseye" Auto. Stamp Venturers has reprinted its E&S version on different paper, with a plate number interval of 14 in rolls of 10,000 and with a smaller font for the plate number digits. We don't know the number yet but start looking. Also reprinted, by BEP, are the 3c Conestoga and the 1c Omnibus, both with matte gum. Reported plate numbers are #3.

COMMERCIAL COVERS

Installment #61

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This month's article features a couple very interesting covers, the first being the cover pictured below.



The plate number on the above 10¢ Eagle & Shield PNC cover is A 11 10 10 11. Until this cover was found, no discoveries of this plate number were known. Efforts have been made to track down the origin of this cover, and in fact, I just learned today (4/4/95) that mint plate strips have finally turned up. Dealer ads offering this strip should start appearing soon. The finding of the Eagle/Shield A 11 10 10 11 should have been expected as it had been reported in plate activity reports. The data also reports that A12113 was printed, but to date, no one has found it. By the way, I recently acquired the A 11 10 10 11 cover from the fine stock of modern postal history of dealer Rick Lancaster/Maine-ly Modern Philatelics, PNC3 member #692.

The second interesting cover I wanted to bring to your attention is the cover pictured on the next page owned by Ferd Arndt.

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The plate number is #3, and the date of the cancel is 11/10/91! If the cancel's year date is not an error, then this would be the new earliest known usage for that plate number. The earliest known usage of #3 has been 5/27/92. The 29¢ Flag over White House coil was not officially issued until 4/23/92. BEP printing data for plate #3 has not been reported, and it's possible that it was printed in 1991 and released early. I do, however, tend to think that the year date in the cancel is an error because I understand that the USPS didn't even release a design of that stamp to the public until December of 1991, and that early design didn't include the flag pole. Under such circumstances, it's unlikely that a stamp with a flag pole would have been previously printed and released so that it could get a 11/10/91 cancel. Still, without official BEP printing data in hand, it's still possible. Any thoughts on this?

There's a couple other new earliest known usage reports. The February 1, 1995 issue of *Coil Line* pictured some of Jim Duffy's exhibit. One of his covers, the 18¢ Surrey #16, is the new EKU for that number...9/12/81. Also, we need to move back the EKU date for the 18¢ Flag #5. Previously listed as 6/9/81, I have examined that cover, and it's actually 7/9/81. Therefore, the EKU date needs to be moved back to 6/27/81. I have one last EKU report, but it's not on a cover. *Coil Line's* last auction had a 20¢ Pumper #2 used pair with a 12/23/81 date.

Please send me your EKU reports for all of your 32¢ G PNC covers. I understand that #A4435 is a tough number. Has anyone found any on cover?

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
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CURRENT ISSUE ROLL SIZES

KEY

04/14/85

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

5c CIRCUS WAGON

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

(10c) EAGLE & SHIELD

#A1010101010	B, C, D
#A1011101010	C
#A1011101011	C
#A1011101012	C, D
#A1110101010	C, D
#A1110111010	C, D
#A1110101011	C
#A1111101010	C, D
#A1111111010	C, D
#A1211101010	C
#A1411101010	B, D
#A1411101011	C, D
#A1412111110	D
#A1412111111	C, D
#11111	B, C
#22221	B, C
#22222	B
#22222 (DULL)	B
#33333	B
#S11111	D
#S22222	D

(5c) BUTTE

S111	C, D
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(10c) AUTO

S111	B, C, D
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(15c) TAIL FIN

11111	C
S11111	D

(25c) JUKE BOX

111111	B, C
S111111	D

Thanks for info go to: D. Eastman

Thanks

Richard Nazar wants to thank all PNC3 members for their support in the success of the 1995 Plate Number Coil Catalog. He has fewer than 50 spiral bound editions and 40 hard cover editions still available. Get them while they last from:

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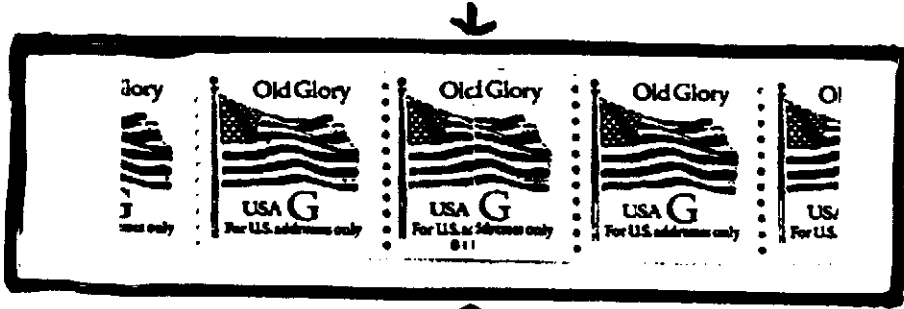
The Spiral edition is \$32.95. The hard bound edition is \$49.95. A set is \$75.00. Please add \$3.00 for shipping and handling. (Paid ad)

Feeding machine quarters reveals splice on red 'G' in Merrick, N.Y.

Member Stephan G. Kravitz of Merrick, N.Y., had been keeping his eyes on a stamp machine at the Merrick, NY, office in an effort to obtain a PNC with a back number on a red 'G' stamp. He said the machine does not seem to get much activity.

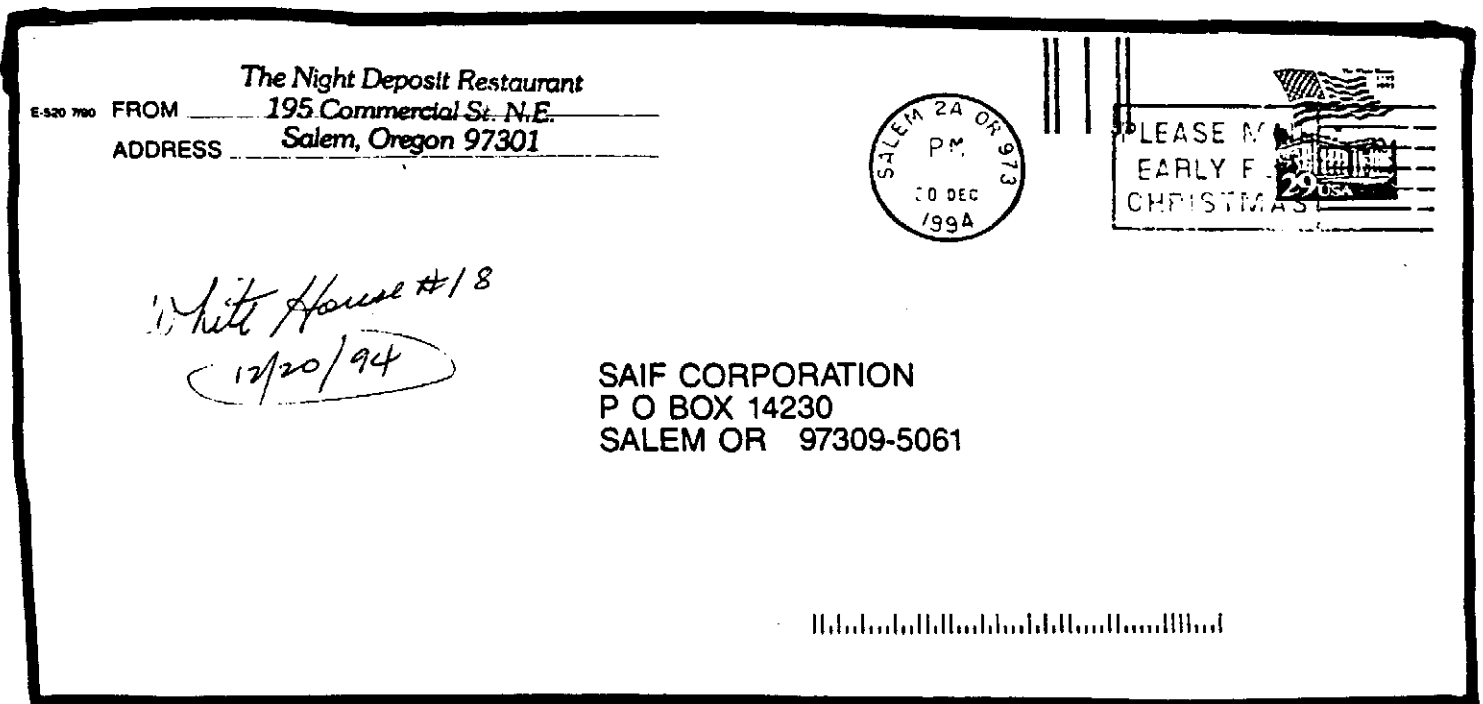
The first weekend in April he noted the roll have given him a number at 4R with backnumber 1780. He figured a number on number was 270 stamps away. He went back a week later and found the machine was at 1930 and bought a strip 1L at backnumber 1940. He decided to buy the next 110 stamps to get the number on number. Feeding the quarters, he checked and found a PNC 1R at 1990. Something wasn't right. "Upon inspection I found the 4L at back number 1970 was very strange looking." The strip is illustrated below. He then turned the strip over and found a splice in the middle of the PNC. He now has a strip with a 33-stamp interval between plate numbers followed by a 15-stamp interval between the splice and the next PNC. He was planning to send the strip to APS to have it expertized.

He has spent some time studying the splice and believes it was done with shiny-backed white tape.

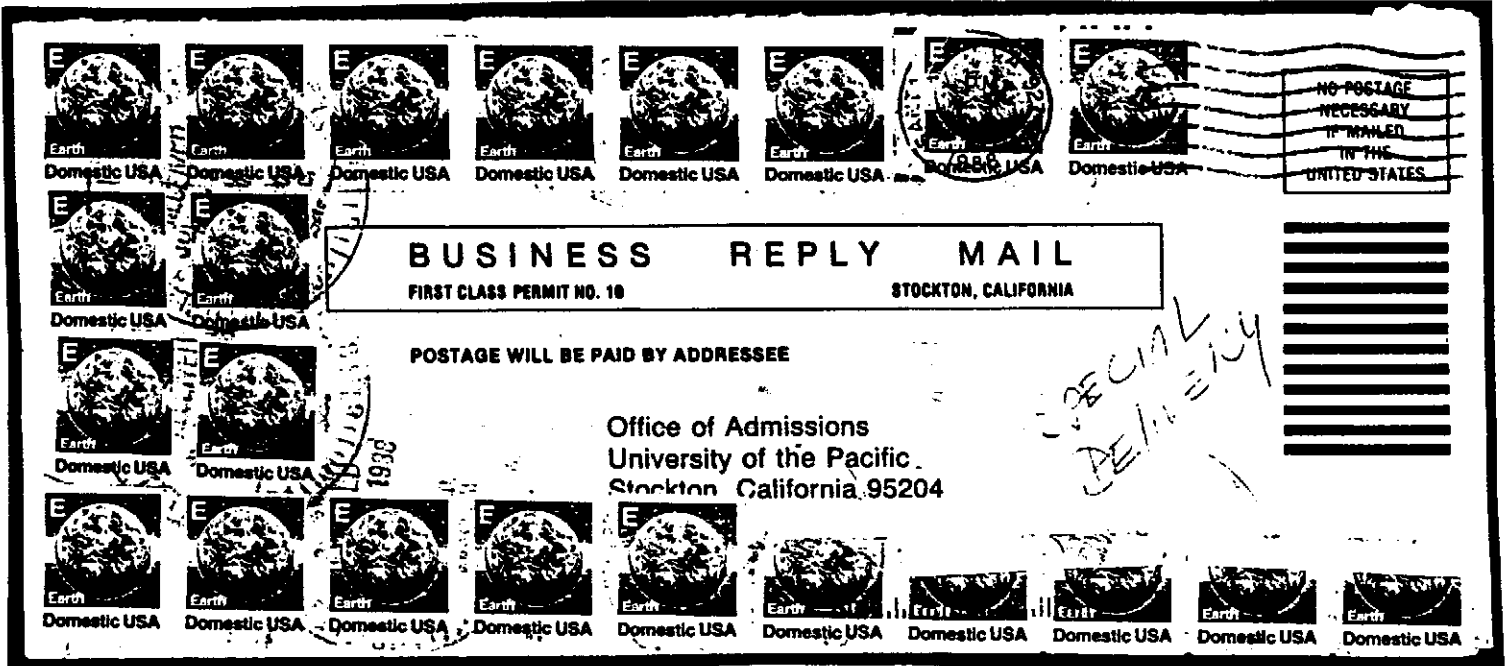


These covers are apparently difficult to find

Paul M. Dixon of Salem, OR, has supplied this copy of a commercial cover with the Flag Over White House plate No. 18 postmarked Dec. 20, 1994. Going through covers he had accumulated, Dixon has found three with plate No. 18, dated Dec. 20, Dec. 27 and Dec. 30. Dick Koenig, who goes through thousands of commercial covers, said he is aware of four No. 18 covers before the rate change and 10 after the rate change.



COVER OF THE MONTH



The above cover features the 25¢ E coil #1222 on a Special Delivery Business Reply Mail cover dated June 9, 1988. The postage affixed overpays the \$5.35 Special Delivery rate by 15¢. (Cover courtesy of Charlie Merrill.) (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.)

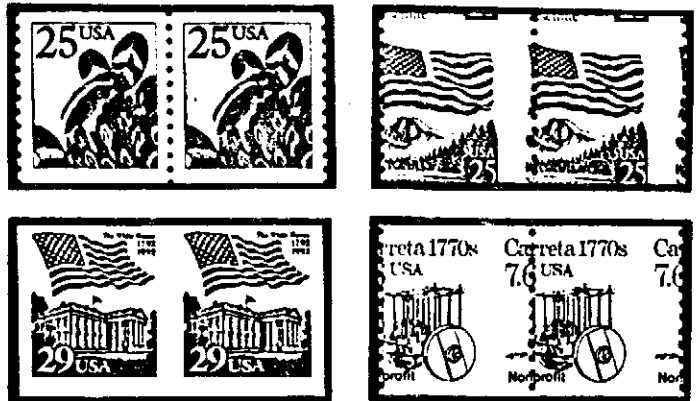
USPS to issue 20¢ Cog Railway Car stamp in continuation of the Transportation Series on June 9th at Dallas TX.

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Perforation varieties of the 1c Omnibus and 'G' coil stamps

Carl Wicklund of McAllen, Texas, has found two perforation varieties or oddities in recent months. The first was on the 1c Omnibus coil and more recently on the 'G' stamp.

On visits to the McAllen post office, Wicklund usually checks the vending machine. During the 29c rate period, he found the 1c Omnibus in the vending machine. He said this was not uncommon, people just tended to leave the 1c stamps behind. He put the stamp into his wallet and checked it out later. Bruce Menia has supplied the series of photographs, which are labeled with explanations from Menia.

Earlier this month Wicklund's report of the 'G' stamp find reached the editor as this page was being prepared. That illustration is at the end of the article.



Figure 1: This is a normal light photograph of Carl Wicklund's 1c Omnibus with the double perfs.

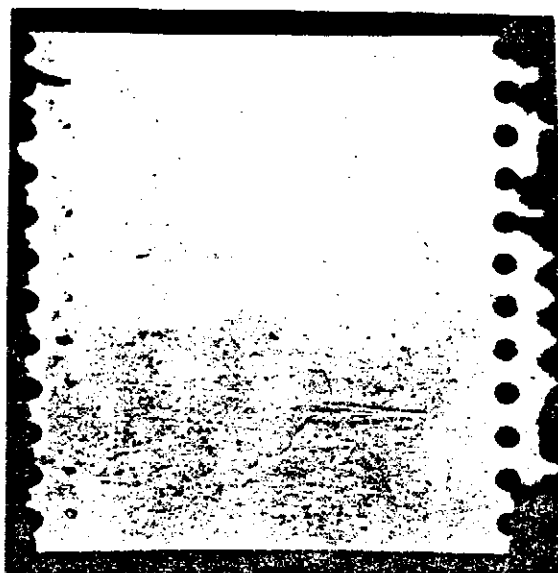


Figure 2: This is the same stamp, same lighting, as seen from the gum side.

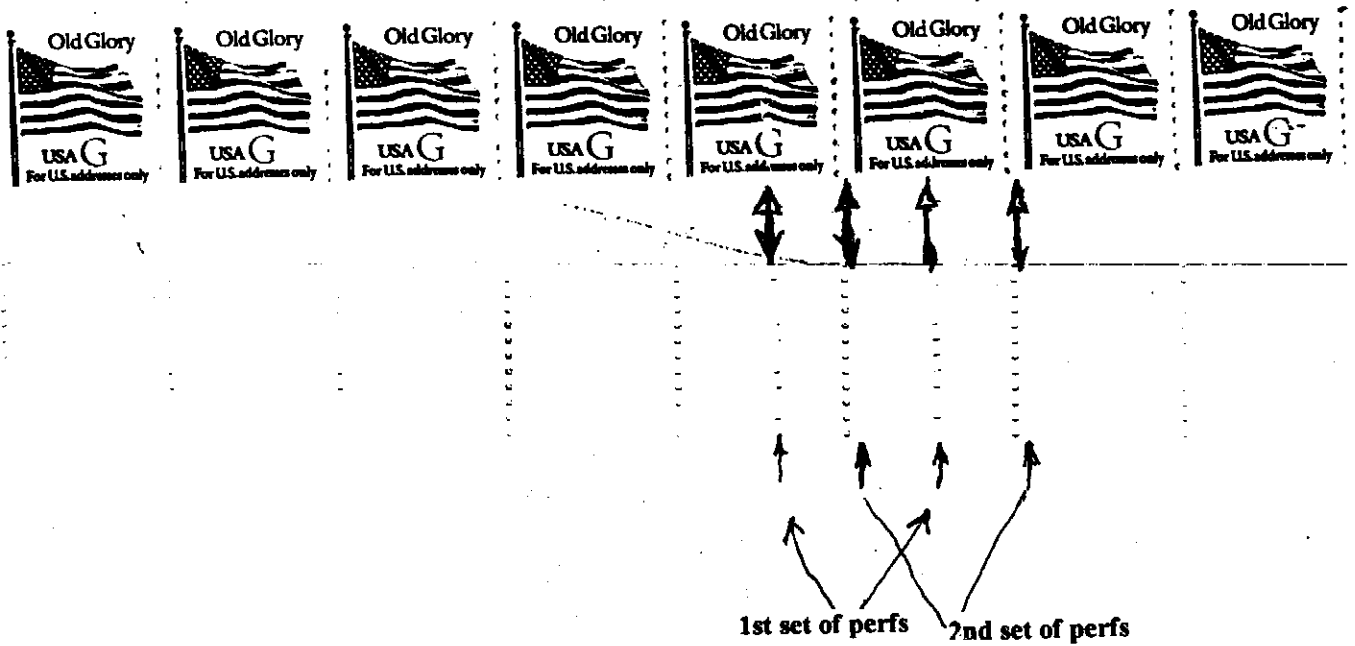


Figure 3: This photo is a high magnification of the left side of the stamp from the back side. The inside row of perfs are partially through, to completely missing or blind.



Figure 4: This is a higher magnification of the stamp from the design side showing the inner row of perfs.

This is a photocopy of the front and back of a strip of eight 'G' stamps showing double perforations. Carl Wicklund purchased these stamps from a vending machine at McAllen, Texas. After this strip, he said the stamps "returned to normal."



Omnibus double perf (Continued)

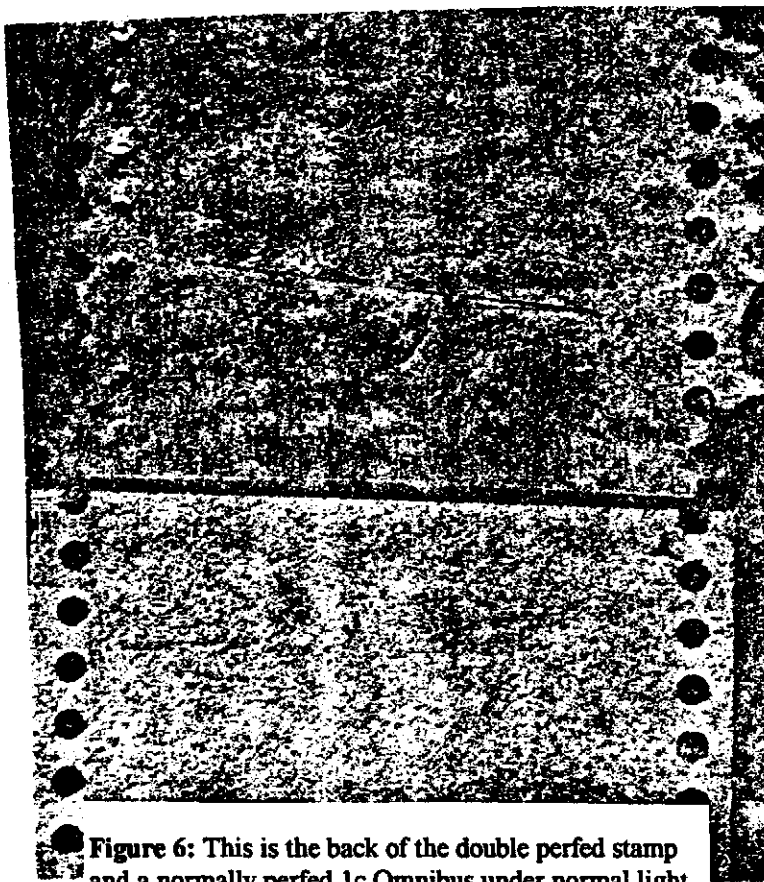


Figure 6: This is the back of the double perfed stamp and a normally perfed 1c Omnibus under normal light. The rows of the properly perfed stamp are lined up with the correct perfs for comparison with the error stamp.

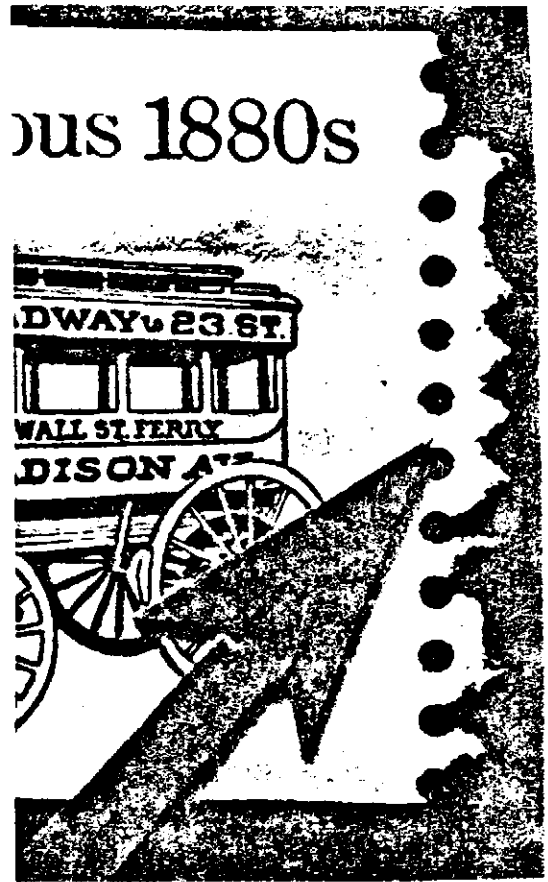


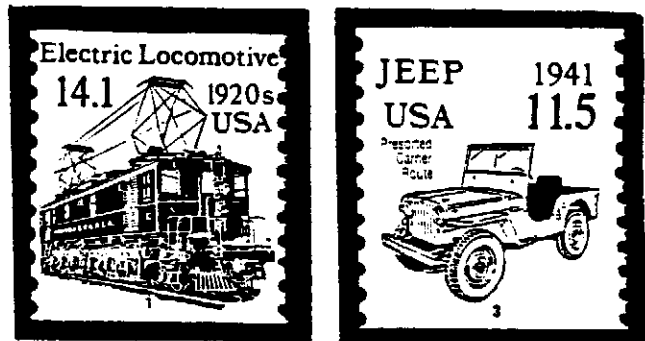
Figure 5: This is the same stamp with double perfs, featuring the right side of the stamp.

Lack of ideas not reason Transportation Series at an end

In February it looked like the Transportation Series had been given a new lease on life by USPS. By March it was apparent the series was on life support with the plug to be pulled later this year.

When it looked like the series would continue, former *Coil Line* Editor and former PNC³ President Tom Maeder dug into the archives. With all of the ideas PNC³ members came up with in 1988, the "blame" for the demise of the series certainly can't be blamed on the the club.

One of the topics kicked around in Pittsburgh at the 1994 Annual Meeting was digging into the *Coil Line* archives to show some of the newer members what PNC³ folks were up to in those days. It's also a good way to refresh a few memories of those of us among the veteran membership. The history lessons will appear from time to time in future issues. If you have suggestions, let us know.



The following was prepared by Tom Maeder.

In 1988, PNC³ members were surveyed for suggestions on new designs. A flood of suggestions poured in. Bill McMurray submitted some original designs, including the two above. Tad Richards submitted his suggestions in the form of Currier and Ives prints.

Seventeen members suggested a steamboat, fifteen suggested a canoe. Also suggested were a flying boat, a row boat and a circus wagon. These five topics eventually appeared, albeit the steamboat was in booklet format.

The 1988 suggestion list has a few items that no doubt were submitted in jest but, taken as a whole, the list is filled with some wonderful ideas. Scanning the list, it is possible to envision many of them in final form. Can you suggest others?

See the next two pages for illustrations.

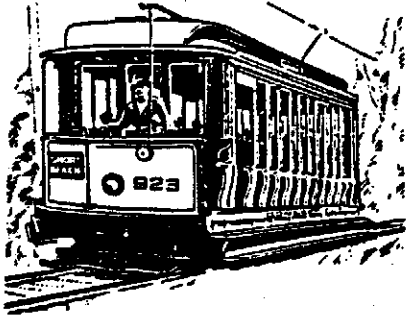
(Editor's note: With the demise of the series, how about a funeral hearse for the last issue?)



Bullet-hole variety on 'G' stamp

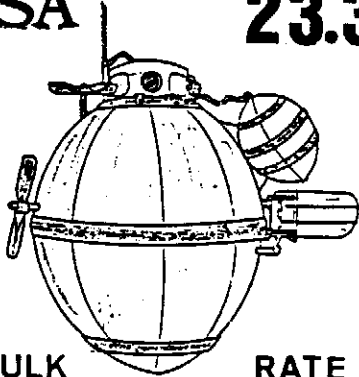
Gene Grace of Anniston, AL, reports finding this variety on the 32c 'G' stamp. He describes it as a black speck in the middle of the letter "O" in Old Glory on the second stamp to the left of the plate number. Although the copy does not show it, Gene said close inspection shows there is a white center in the speck. Has anyone else seen this variety?

Trolley 1904
13.5 USA



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Submarine 1775
USA 23.3

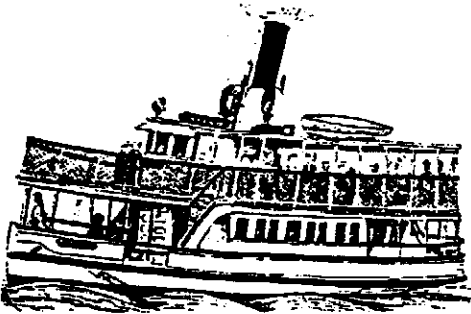


BULK

RATE

1

Steamboat 1908
22 USA



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"The Snow-Storm" (C&I, undated. Medium)

Timber Skids, hauled by
oxen, carried wood in 1860's



60—AMERICAN HUNTING SCENES.—"A Good Chance."
Painted by A. F. Tait 18.10" x 27.11" 1863 L C&I C174
HTP3263 B50L-29 Photographed by T. F. Amaral

Survey Results

Some members suggested that a new series be developed, and that the transportation series be continued, simultaneously. This is an obvious choice that I did not think to include on the survey form.

As you can see, there were many suggestions for new coils. Without making any specific editorial comment about any suggestion, I would just remark that there are some real gems buried in this list.

Responses: 70 continue the transportation series
 32 develop a new series
 7 do both

Suggestions for new transportation series designs:

Air

aircraft (18)
 dirigible (11)
 hot air balloon (9)
 space shuttle (8)
 bi plane (6)
 jetliner (4)
 Ford tri-motor (4)
 Mercury capsule (3)
 heliconter (2)
 glider (2)
 Wright Bros. plane (2)
 DC-3 (2)
 Bell P-59
 seaplane
 jet packs
 SST
 parachute
 sailplane
 autogyro

Boats

steamboat (6)
 sternwheeler(6)} (17)
 sidewheeler (5)
 canoe (15)
 ships (7)
 ferry (6)
 ocean liner (5)
 barge (4)
 clipper ship (4)
 ocean steamer (3)
 Missouri River
 packet boat (3)
 submarine (3)
 Grand Banks Dory (2)
 2 & 3-mast sail (2)
 tall ships
 life boat
 hovercraft
 Schooner
 Hawaiian sailing canoe
 Sikorsky flying boat
 square riggers
 raft
 hydrofoil
 Swan boats
 fireboat
 Great Lakes ore carrier
 kayak
 river boat
 flat boat
 row boat

Urban

subway (6)
 hearse (4)
 Ice truck (3)
 streetcar (3)
 garbage truck (3)
 Model A Ford (3)
 scooter (3)
 motor scooter (2)
 moving van (2)
 little red wagon (2)
 escalator (2)
 golf cart (2)
 soap box derby car(2)
 armored truck (2)
 circus wagon (2)
 dump truck (2)
 moving sidewalk
 wheel barrow
 pickup truck
 Jitney
 taxi cab
 calliope
 ice cream truck
 cargo shoot
 semi
 carousel
 freight truck
 monorail
 city bus
 stretcher
 steam roller
 hook and ladder-
 se tenant.

Rail

box car (3)
 Pullman car
 diesel locomotive
 tank car
 cattle car
 flat bed rail car

Stationary

pipeline
 bridge
 aquaduct
 cargo container
 tunnel

Rural

aerial tram (5)
 snowmobile (3)
 Jeep (3)
 travois (3)
 Amish buggy (2)
 hay wagon (2)
 ski lift (2)
 farm steam engine
 recreational vehicle
 logging truck
 skip jack
 Highway Post Office
 logging cart
 Racing Sulkies
 Timber skids
 Medicine show wagon
 earth mover
 hang glider
 sled
 "Screen" wagon
 coal miner's electric cart
 logging sled
 4-wheel off-road vehicle

feet

roller skates (5)
 skis (4)
 skateboard (3)
 ice skates (3)
 snow shoes (2)
 moccasins
 stick horse
 penny loafers
 Nikes
 feet

animals

Pony Express (2)
 horse (2)
 mule (2)
 mule train
 oxen
 camel
 carrier pigeon

<p>There were suggestions from those that wanted a <u>new</u> series: animals (4) insects (4) flowers (3) birds (2) Vice Presidents prominent Americans coils in horizontal commem. size</p>

1995 EXHIBIT AWARD WINNERS

APRIL 1&2 **MANPEX 95** Sponsored by the Manchester Philatelic Society, Manchester Connecticut.

GOLD **BILL McMURRAY**; "TOMORROW'S CLASSICS - PART II - U.S. TRANSPORTATION COILS OF 1982 & 1983 also the PNC3 President's Award.

SILVER **DEAN M. HAWK**; " TRANSPORTATION COILS 1981 -1983 also the PNC3 Achievement Award

Thanks to Dean we had nine frames of Transportation Coils at ManPex and we recruited at least one new member for PNC3. Thank you Dean for your support, Great Job.

04/02/95

PNC3 MEMBERS EXHIBIT PLANS FOR 1995

MAY 27-30 **NEW JERSEY: NOJEX '95** at the Meadowlands Hilton Hotel Secaucus, New Jersey WSP Show.

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OCTOBER **CONNECTICUT: THAMESPEX 95**; Sponsored by the Thames Stamp Club to be held at Mitchell College, New London, CT.
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ROLAND GRANDAHL; "U.S. COIL STAMPS, 1981 & LATER, FLAG, TRANSPORTATION & OTHER"

BILL McMURRAY; "TOMORROW'S CLASSICS' Part II (U.S. Transportation Coils of 1982 & 1983)

Please forward your exhibiting plans to me so I can notify the shows of our PNC3 Awards. Thanks, Bill

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

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August 26 - Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO at STAMPSHOW.
Details to come. Set aside a long weekend to join fellow members for all types of philatelic and fellowship opportunities. For general STAMPSHOW info contact the American Philatelic Society at P.O. Box 8000, State College, PA 16803.

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Dick's phone number is now 520-886-7754. Area code is new.

COIL LINE

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To the PNC³ membership:

The May issue of *Coil Line* marks the sixth year of my editorship. I'd like to thank everyone who has contributed in any way to filling up this publication each month.

The membership has developed a much better sense of participation in the past couple of years. This needs to continue and to grow if *Coil Line* is going to meet the interests of the members.

If you've been a contributor, please keep it up! If you have not been involved, change your ways! It's much easier for me to have material "in the bank" from one month to the next. With all of the new issues this year, there ought to be lots of stuff to share. Be aware of the material you have and how the knowledge you have might help other members.

Next to sending material to *Coil Line*, one of the best things you can do is to attend a regional meeting or an annual meeting. It's a great way to develop contacts in the club and find out what other members are doing with their collections.

The June issue will include a report on the regional meeting April 29 in Plymouth, MI. This is always one of the biggest gatherings of members. The annual meeting is in St. Louis this August. That should be a good central location to attract a crowd. If you know of another member or two in your area, fill up the car and share the expenses and the driving. The APS Stampshow is "the big event" that weekend but you'll run into members on the bourse floor and at other places around the convention hall.

The June issue should also contain the first part of the Collecting Interests -Membership List. If your file needs updated contact Joann Lenz at the address listed in the mast on the previous page. -Harold

PNC3 AUCTION RESULTS FOR #13 CLOSING DATE MARCH 18, 1995

Remember that ties go to the earliest post mark. I do take phone bids, but I still need your signed bid sheet to validate your bids. We had 48 bidders this auction with 40 winning at least one lot. Of the 235 lots offered 135 sold. All but 3 of the PS-5 lots sold, our best area. Next came FDC with 8 lots unsold
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LOT	BID	LOT	BID	LOT	BID	LOT	BID	LOT	BID
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19	\$2.50	60	\$5.00	97	\$1.50	135	\$5.00	192	\$4.50
23	\$3.50	61	\$5.00	98	\$1.50	137	\$6.00	193	\$10.00
28	\$150.00	62	\$4.00	99	\$20.00	138	\$5.00	194	\$4.00
35	\$12.00	63	\$4.00	101	\$5.50	139	\$5.00	195	\$4.00
36	\$2.50	64	\$5.50	102	\$4.50	140	\$9.00	196	\$3.50
37	\$4.50	65	\$2.50	103	\$7.00	148	\$12.00	198	\$2.00
38	\$3.50	66	\$225.00	105	\$12.00	150	\$12.00	199	\$2.00
39	\$2.25	67	\$11.00	107	\$20.00	151	\$40.00	200	\$3.00
40	\$6.50	68	\$95.00	108	\$11.00	152	\$6.00	201	\$300.00
41	\$6.00	69	\$5.00	109	\$30.00	153	\$7.00	202	\$5.00
42	\$9.00	72	\$7.00	110	\$3.50	154	\$6.00	203	\$2.50
43	\$3.50	75	\$4.00	111	\$3.00	155	\$9.00	205	\$5.00
44	\$10.00	77	\$12.00	112	\$4.00	159	\$10.00	206	\$14.00
45	\$14.00	78	\$9.50	115	\$9.50	160	\$8.50	209	\$4.00
46	\$15.00	81	\$4.00	117	\$8.00	169	\$52.50	212	\$20.00
47	\$4.00	82	\$12.00	119	\$3.00	171	\$20.00	213	\$25.00
48	\$3.50	83	\$10.00	120	\$7.00	172	\$1.00	216	\$30.00
49	\$6.00	85	\$12.00	121	\$8.00	174	\$12.00	217	\$10.00
50	\$6.50	86	\$14.00	122	\$7.00	176	\$16.00	220	\$5.00
51	\$1.25	87	\$7.00	123	\$9.00	178	\$14.00	223	\$9.00
52	\$14.00	88	\$4.50	125	\$9.00	181	\$1.00	226	\$25.00
53	\$1.50	89	\$10.00	126	\$4.00	182	\$1.00	227	\$4.00
54	\$3.00	90	\$8.00	127	\$8.00	183	\$8.00	228	\$8.50
55	\$4.50	92	\$15.00	128	\$10.00	186	\$150.00	229	\$10.00
56	\$4.50	93	\$7.00	130	\$10.00	188	\$2.00	234	\$28.00

I would like to thank all the members who placed bids in this auction and all the consignors who entered lots for this auction for thier help in this important club activity. I would also ask that any member that is waiting for a responce from me please be patient. As last year, but this time my Father-in-law, took sick while I was running an auction and died. So I am why behind on my replies.



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