

# COIL LINE





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## Note from the President

I just wanted to address a benefit offered to all PNC<sup>3</sup> members. The collector interest column that is run periodically in the Coil Line is for each one of us. It is placed there to help promote correspondence and possible exchange of material and information. Also of benefit are the trade ads that are included in each issue.

I am writing this more to members who have never become involved in this sort of activity. Look over the interests and ads and pick out one or more that are of interest to you. Write a letter to the other collector. Include a brief introduction, collecting interests, want list, and material available to trade. Often one wonders if the other collector is so far advanced that he will just ignore the letter, or if anyone will even want to trade for your extra material. At the very least, a friendly reply should be forthcoming.

I've carried on correspondence with some trading partners for ten ears. It all started with a simple letter.

### from the Editor

I wish that the club members could read all the PNC3 mail that comes across my desk. It would give the picture of our membership as a group of warm, interested, and interesting people. I am singularly luckythat as Editor I get to have contact with so many of you. I hope you will accept Don Eastman's call to share yourself with other members.

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The Board of Directors wish you all the joys and blessings of the coming

holiday season.

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## Letters

In setting out my Transportation Series coils recently, I found that I had little or no information on the reason behind the denomination for these various issues. I was remiss in not retaining the announcements which told at the time about each stamp as it was issued and the service covered. Do you have, or know of a source, that will state the service for the denominations?

Phil Crowther, Jr. Warwick. RI

The information is summarized in an Appendix in Esrati's catalog. We will list it again here:

Nonprofit, basic rate 5.9, **5**.2, 6, 8.5, 8.4 Nonprofit, 5-digit sort 4, 4.9, 7.1, 7.6 Nonprofit, carrier-route sort 3.4, 5.5, 5.3 Third class, basic rate 10.9, 11, 12.5, 16.7 Third class, 5-digit sort 9.3, 10.1, 13.2 Third class, carrier-route sort 7.4, 8.3, 10.1 First class, first ounce 18, 20, 22, 25 First class, added ounce 17, 20 First class, Zip +4, unsorted 21.1, 24.1 First class, 5-digit sort 17, 18, 21 Postcard 14, 15 Postcard, 5-digit sort 12, 13

Can we get one of the printing experts in our "fraternity" to find out exactly what the mechanical process is in perforating the web on the B, C, and D presses? I, and many others, have noted that since early '88 the perforations wander back and forth within a roll. I don't recall this being the case on Cottrell issues. They were constant, good or bad. Is BEP using worn machinery in the perf process? It doesn't appear to be a matter of alignment or adjustment. I believe something is mechanically out of tolerance.

Alan Thomson Northwood, NH

At the ceremony for the Police Patrol Wagon, I heard a speaker describe the reason for the Transportation Series—lots of advocacy organizations will use these stamps for their mailings ("Pro-Life and Anti-Life" he said with a sort of naive charm). The stamps themselves need to be unexceptional—to upset no one. What better than obsolete and often insignificant means of transport? One reason for the series' long life is probably that it's hard to know what could be less likely to upset people. I like long series, myself, and hope that they keep it going until it rivals that Turkish series that seems to go on forever.

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(2) free 40-word ads/yr.

Ed Denson Alderpoint, CA

Editor's Note: I received about a dozen notes in response to the November letter which asked about minimum purchase requirements to obtain a plate number. There may be a national policy, but it is certainly not nationally implemented. Responses ranged from 5 stamps to 60. I have not printed any of the letters so as not to kill anybo "golden goose."

Read Section 342 on page 4 of this newsletter, and see if you can figure out what it means.

## Briefly...

Many of you have requested back issues of the <u>Coil Line</u>. We are happy to supply them at no charge, but request that you furnish postage sufficient for one ounce of postage per issue requested.

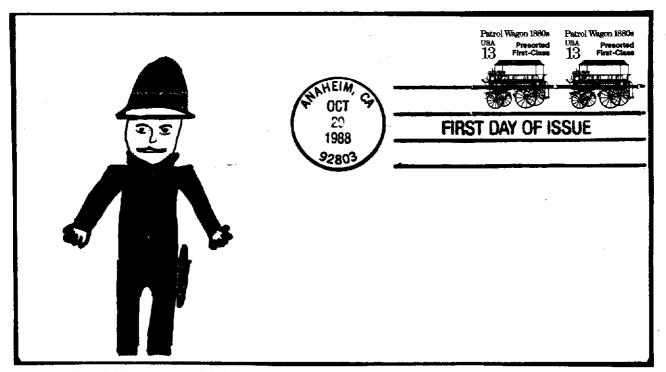
The January issue will again run the "Collecting Interest" roster. This is perhaps the most valuable service that PNC provides because it allows collectors to find others with similar interests. If your data is already on file, there is no need to submit it again unless you wish to amend it. If we have not heard from you, please write. List your interests; e.g., PS5, PS3, mint singles, used singles, used strips, commercial covers, constant plate varieties, precancel gap positions, precancel mat varieties, First Day Covers, EFO, paper types, etc.

It is reported that Linn's plans to run a PNC column twice a month starting in 1989.

It is the hope of the Board of Directors that PNC<sup>3</sup> members can meet regionally. We will test the concept for those living in the southwest by planning a meeting at ARIPEX 89 (Tucson, AZ-Jan. 13-15). Dick Koenig has offered to be contact person for any member wishing information on accommodations. Dick Koenig, P.O. Box 31872, Tucson, AZ 85751; (602) 886-7754. You don't have to live in the southwest to attend-come winter in the sun belt!

We are still waiting for the Postal Service report on off-sale inventories. Rumor has it that there is some destruction going on before the report is made public. There may be some material that has been off-sale for twenty years.

Tony Maves reports that he has "no number" line strip of the 1¢ Omnibus #6 showing the plate crack at 1R. This would indicate, then, that this plate variety occurs on the top row of the plate.



The Post Office provided envelopes, marking pens, and even the stamps free of charge so that kids could make their own cachets at the Patrol Wagon First Day Ceremony.

A <u>Philatelic Center Operations Guide</u> was distributed to all Centers this summer. Its goal was to standardize procedures, maximize customer satisfaction, and increase profits. It is 50 pages in length, but we have extracted several sections which might be of particular interest. Your clerk is supposed to have read it; you may test him, if you wish.

# philatelic center operations guide

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#### 112 Profile of Collectors

112.1 Serious Collectors. We have identified three major groups within the total population of U.S. stamp collectors. The first group, serious collectors, account for roughly 25% of the total. They are mostly male, upscale, and well-educated. They have organized systematic, collecting habits, and enjoy searching for and working with stamps. They spend more money on the hobby than the other groups and frequently go to Philatelic Centers.

112.2 Accumulators. The second group account for another 25% of total collectors and can be described best as accumulators. They are mostly women and are interested primarily in canceled stamps. Generally, they are not committed to the hobby and usually do not organize their collections.

112.3 Casual Collectors. The third group, casual collectors, comprise about 50% of all stamp collectors. They primarily are adults, aged 25-54, and have average incomes and educations. Some 60% to 75% are women, and they are likely to collect other low-value items such as plates and matchbooks. While they are not motivated by detail and order, they do like esthetically pleasing items and gain a sense of self-identification and self-discovery from the creation of a highly personal and unique collection.

113.2 Service to Customers. The single best way to serve current collectors and encourage others to begin the hobby is to provide prompt, pleasant and knowledgeable service at all post offices, and especially at philatelic outlets. Our customers expect philatelic outlets to have all the current stamps (including all coil stamps), stationery, and philatelic products available in all types, configurations, and denominations. They should all be displayed prominently to encourage impulse purchases and reduce transaction time.

241.2 Uniform Days and Hours. Although the schedule of operation is determined at the local post office level, uniform days and hours must be selected. A uniform schedule of operation allows customers to schedule their visits. Erratic, early or unscheduled closings of philatelic outlets must be avoided since many collectors travel long distances to obtain the products and services provided exclusively at these outlets. Whenever possible, these hours should conform to those of the office. Additionally, they must be stated clearly on signs in high traffic area in the lobby, and periodically published in local newspapers, employee publications, and in brochures sent to customers about local postal services.

241.3 Customer Convenience. Major emphasis must be placed on having the outlet in operation during hours which are most convenient for our customers. All offices with Philatelic Windows should ensure that other windows there have access to philatelic items in the event the philatelic window is closed.

#### 242 Busy Periods

Many people prefer to shop during lunch periods and on Saturday. Therefore, whenever possible, philatelic outlets should be open and properly staffed for business at those times.

#### 311 Required Inventory

311.1 Array of Items on Hand. Philatelic outlets are required to carry the complete line of stamps, postal stationery items, and philatelic products available from the Philatelic Sales Division in Washington, DC. These items are listed in the Philatelic Conalog. (Exceptions: Philatelic outlets may not sell American Commemorative Panels and binders, Souvenir Pages, or Commemorative Stamp Club material except when specific items are so authorized.)

#### 342 Coiled Stamps

Philatelic outlets may open coils of stamps as requested and sell any number to a customer, except that coils having fractional denominations, such as the 10.1— and the 12.5—, etc, may be sold only in multiples of 10 stamps. To guarantee receipt of "line pairs" or "line markings" on coils, the following minimum purchases are required:

- a. Any fractional denomination minimum of 30 stamps;
- b. \$1.00 minimum of six stamps;
- c. All other denominations minimum of 25 stamps.

Note: A "line marking" is a vertical line of color appearing at intervals of 25 stamps made by the joint seam where the printing plates meet on a rotary press. The "line pair" consists of one coil stamp on each side of the "line marking." There are no "line markings" on multi-colored coil stamps. Plate numbers began to appear on all coils which were produced after 1981. Some single-color coil stamps do not have "line markings." For those that do, the plate number appears adjacent to the "line marking" at intervals of 24 stamps on single color coils. Plate numbers also may appear at intervals of 48 and 52 stamps depending on the press. As the older rotary presses are replaced over the next several years, "line markings" will cease to appear on coil stamps; only the plate number will appear. See DMM 163.523 and 183.533.

#### 343 Precanceled Stamps

The sales policy described in DMM 163.524 and 163.534, applies except that coils of precanceled stamps may be opened for the sale of individual stamps to collectors.

#### 344 New Issues

All philatelic outlets should place on sale stamps currently being introduced on the business day following the first day of issuance, except when the stamp is issued in a city where a philatelic outlet is located. In that case, the stamp will be sold on the first day of issue. The *Postal Bulletin* contains all pertinent information regarding the issuance and sale of new stamps. See DMM 163.51.

## 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: continue the transportation series develop a new series

> > do both

Suggestions for new transportation series designs:

aircraft (18) dirigible (11) hot air balloon (9) space shuttle (8) bi plane (6) jetliner (4) Ford tri-motor (4) Mercury capsule (3) helicopter (2) glider (2) Wright Bros. plane (2) escalator (2) golf cart (2) Bell P-59 seaplane jet packs SSI parachute sailplane autogyro Boats (6)steamboat 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 cattle car Sikorsky flying boat square riggers raft hydrofoil Swan boats fireboat

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) logging truck scap box derby car(2) logging cart armored truck (2) Racing Sulki circus wagon (2) dump truck (2) moving sidewalk wheel barrow pickup truck Jitney taxi cab callione ice cream truck cargo shoot semi carousel freight truck monorail city bus stretcher steam roller hook and ladderse tenant.

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

Stationary pipeline bridge aquaduct Great Lakes ore carrier cargo container tunnel

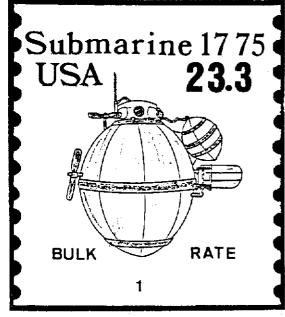
Rural aerial tram (5) snowmobile (3) Jeep (3) travois (3) Amish buggy (2) hay wagon (2) ski lift (2) farm steam engine recreational vehicle skip jack Highway Post Office Racing Sulkies Timber skids Medicine show wagon earth mover hang glider sled "Screen" wagon coal miner's electric cart logging sled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

There were suggestions from those that wanted a new series: (4)animals (4)insects (3) flowers birds (2) Vice Presidents prominent Americans coils in horizontal commem. size Original Designs Submitted by Bill McMurray







Currier and Ives Prints; Some Suggestions from Tad Richards



"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

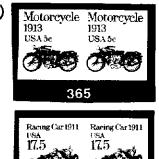
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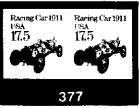
Several pages have not been included in this online issue because of privacy concerns dealing with members, their home addresses and collecting interests.

## **Recent Auction Results**

## SUBURBAN STAMP, INC. Nov. 12, 1988 (Buyers add 10%)

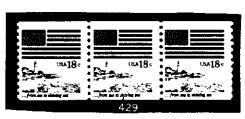
<b>\$</b> 65	æ	#1899a, 5¢ Motorcycle, IMPERF COIL PAIR, Never Hinged, Very Fine, RARE (Ph). (EST. \$1,000-\$1,500.)		1,200.00
369	*	#2005a, Consumer, Imperf Coil Pair, Never Hinged, Very Fine (Ph).	100.00	100.00
373	*	#2130a, Oil Wagon, Imperf Precancelled Coil Pair, Never Hinged, Very Fine (Ph). (EST. \$100-\$150.)		120.00
377	*	#2264, 17.5¢ Racing Car, IMPERF COIL PAIR, Never Hinged, Very Fine, RARE ERROR, Very Few Found to Date (Ph). (EST. \$750-\$1,000.)		1,000.00



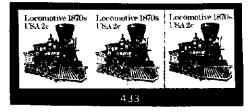


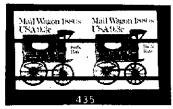
## SAM HOUSTON PHILATELICS Nov. 13, 1988 (Buyers add 10%)

429	**	#1891 184 Flag Plate Stp/3 #3, F-VF NH, scarce(E)\$250-300 PH	_	150.00
430	**	#1891a 184 Flag Imperf Plate Stp/3 #5, XF NH (E)\$50	_	40.00
431	**	#1895a 204 Flag Imperf Plate Stp/3 #4, VF NH (E)\$200 PH	_	80.00
432	**	#1895a 204 Flag Imperf Plate Stp/5 #4, VF NH, P.O. fresh(E)\$275 PH	_	150.00
433	**	#1897Ae 24 Locomotive Imperfed Plate Stp/3 #8, VF NH(E)\$200-250 PH	-	135.00
434	**	#1899var 5¢ Motorcycle Plate Stps/5 #1 & 2, Slate Green color variety, XF NH (E)\$100-150	-	16.00
435	**	#1903b 9.34 Precancelled Imperf Line Pair #1,  VF NH, Datz reports only 250 prs known  (E)\$200PH	-	160.00
436	**	#1903avar 9.3¢ Precancel Plate Stps/8 #3 with "Smoking g", XF NH 2 stps, one w/continua- tion, both Line Gaps, scarce matched set (E)\$150	-	65.00
437	**	#1904 & O4avar 10.9¢ Hansom Cab Plate Stps/5 #2 w/dropped transfer, 2 stps, one mint & one precancelled F-VF NH w/dropped transfer at 2LEX PH	-	75.00
438	**	#1907var 18¢ Surrey Plate Stps/5 #1 w/"Light- ning Bolt", 2 stps, one w/continuation, both XF NH, nice(E)\$200-250	_	75.00
4,39	**	#1907a 18¢ Surrey Imperf Line Pair #10, F-VF NH, number slightly cut.(E)\$150-200 PH	-	80.00
440	**	#1908var 204 Pumper Plate Stp/3 #2 w/"Smoking e", VF NH scarce, owner says 5-6 known (E)\$350	_	70.00
441	** .	#1908var 20¢ Pumper Line Pairs #2 with Plate cracks, 3 prs w/cracks in diff locations VF-XF NH(E)\$200-250	_	
442	**	#2005a 20¢ Consumer Imperf Line Pair w/Pi #2, F-VF NH(E)\$150-200	_	75.00 110.00
443	**	#2124 & 24avar 4.94 Buckboard Plate Stps/5 #4 w/"Buggy Whips", XF NH incls 6 diff w/mint stps of early state & developed state; plus PC of gaps 1L, 2L & Line, plus 3L (stp/10- scarce). The various gaps show the printing history of plate 4. A very nice & difficult set(E)\$200-250	_	160.00
444	**	#2124avar 4.9¢ Precancelled Plate Stps/7 #5 w/ "Rain Cracks", 2 stps, both gap 2R w/one stp the continuation, both VF NH, numbers cut as usual, both w/mat varieties of dbl gaps in bars. Very nice pair. (E)\$250	_	22.00
445	**	#2128var 8.34 Ambulance Plate Stp/5 #1 w/"2" plate #'s, both #1s_complete, T# shifted to R, scarce, VF-XF NH(E)\$125-75	-	115.00

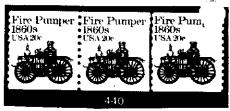












## Nov. Survey (addendum)

Survey forms continued to come in after the editorial deadline for last month's newsletter. The data below is a <u>supplement</u> to results published in the November letter. In total, 122 windows in 38 states and the District of Columbia were evaluated. PNC3-member response was overwhelming, and I thank you for it.

- (I) Coil Stock on Hand.
- (II) The Clerk.
- (III) The Window.

10-highest 1-lowest

(There may have been some confusion in understanding the data for windows that had two or more reports. Use Jackson. MS as an example:

8,7,8 10,7,8 4,5,8: three respondents category: I II III

California
Citrus Heights
8 8 9
Davis
10,10 10,10 9,8
Downey
10 7 7
Elk Grove
288,
Lakewood
1 2 4
Long Beach
10,10,10,10,8 (I)
9분,10,10,9,9 (II)
9,8,10,8,8 (III)
Sacramento
10,7,8 3,2,8 5,8,7
San Bernardino
5 6 8
San Diego
10,6 10,8 6,8
San Francisco-Main
7 6 7

<u>Colora</u>do Boulder 10,9 9,8 ?,8 Denver 9

District of Columbia Old Post Office 1 6 6

Florida Tampa 8,9,8 8,10,7 6,10,9

Illinois Granite City 10 8

Kentucky Louisville 2 3 3

Louisiana New Orleans-Vieux Carre 4 6 5 Shreveport 

Michigan Roseville 8 8 Royal Cak 7,9 8,9 6,9

Mississippi Jackson 8,7,8, 10,7,8 4,5,8

Missouri St. Louis-Clayton 8.10 7.7 9.5

New Hampshire Manchester 10,7 6,6 9,5 Portsmouth 8 10 8

New Jersey Cranford 3,5 5,6 5,7 Hazlet 10,10 10,10 10,10 Kilmer 4 3 New Brunswick 8 8 8 Red Bank 10,5,4,7 (I) 4,2,5,6 (II) 5,2,5,7 (III)

New Mexico Albuquerque 8,3 9,3 10,8 Roswell 4 8

New York Syracuse 9,6 6,6 9,5

Ohio Cincinnati 3 2

Oklahoma Oklahoma City 8 9 8

Texas Dallas-Downtown 5,5 1,3 10,8 El Paso 8 10 Ft. Worth 5 3 Houston 5,7 6,8 ?,8 McAllen 8 Virginia Hampton 1

<u>Wis</u>consin Madison 10,10 10,8 9,8 Milwaukee 10,9 5,7 5,10

Wyoming Cheyenne 1 8 5

## New Applicants (previously unpublished)

Gray, Lenore Mueggenburg, H. Harry Johnson, Frederick McGrattan, Norman Alberstadt, John Phelps, David MacDonald, W. Lovinger, Gary Peretz, Raphael Congelio, Mark Bush, Allen Ruffing, Norm Beirne, John Seavey, Sally Kesselman, Alex Moseley, Thomas Covey, Frank Iverson, Thomas

Detroit, MI Carmichael, CA Beachwood, OH Belleair, FL Erie, PA Des Moines, IA Whitby, Ontario, Canada Ft. Wayne, IN Whitestone. NY Youngstown, OH Blytheville, AR Louisville, KY Elmhurst, NY Columbia, SC Carlsbad, CA Edmonds, WA Macomb, IL Yuba City, CA

## QUIZ

Do you skim the newsletter, or do you study it? Here is a "pop quiz" covering page 4. (True or False)

 1.	USPS Headquarters expects that Philatelic Windows will keep the
 _	same hours as the other windows at the branch.
 2.	New issues should be placed on sale as soon as possible after the
	"first day."
3.	The Postal Service is less likely than other American businesses
 _	to try to get you to buy things you don't really want.
4.	You have a right to expect that another window at the branch will
	have philatelic items available for you if the Philatelic Window
	is closed.
5.	USPS Headquarters expects that local philatelic windows will keep
 _	Saturday hours.
6.	Philatelic windows are encouraged to carry the complete line of
 - •	stamps, stationery, and products available from Philatelic Sales
	in Washington (with a few well-defined exceptions).
-	
 7•	
_	stamps must be purchased.
8.	Women are more likely than men to expect that all items will be

displayed, and that catalogs will be available.

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Answers
2. F (They should be on sale the next day after "first day": 344)
3. F (113.2)
4. T (241.3)
4. T (241.3)
5. T (242.3)
6. F (Trick question. They are required to carry them: 113.2 and 311.1)
7. Who knows? (342)
8. F (Anything is OK as long as the walls are painted a pretty pastel: 8. F (Anything is OK as long as the walls are painted a pretty pastel: 112.3)
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Members are entitled to (2) free 40-word insertions per year. I think you are "missing the boat" if you do not avail yourself of this opportunity.

Wanted: PNC's used on cover and off-sale mint PS5s. Trade or buy. Jeff Gordon, P.O. Box 2792, Chicago, IL 60690.

For Sale: New Discovery -- High #1 Honeybee, partially into design. PS5 F-VF \$8.00 each (5 only); 16.7¢ Popcorn Wagon #1 PS5 F-VF \$2.50 each. Mike Albert, 301 No. 10th St., Escanaba, MI 49829.

For Sale: The 17¢ Autos are gone. The gaps are gone. 17¢ Auto Type A #3 Gap 4R, F-VF \$7.50 each PS9. Same #5, Gap 5R F-VF \$6.00 each, PS11. Mike Albert, 301 No. 10th St., Escanaba, MI 49829.

For Sale: 4.9¢ Precanceled #1 and #2. Double-headed Railroad Spike Variety, 14R. \$8.00 each F-VF, PS21. 5¢ Motorcycle #1 and #2 Tagging Variety -- Screwhead at 4R. \$5.50 each F-VF PS9. Mike Albert, 301 No. 10th St., Escanaba, MI 49829.

Trade: Have 28 different PS4s, most VF or better (list for SASE) \$75.00 retail as PS3s. Swap for: 1 PS5 18¢ Surrey; 20¢ Pumper #11; 5.9¢ Bicycle PC #5/6; 20¢ Flag #1. Burt Robbins, Box 77, Centerville, MA, 02532.

Buy: I am interested in buying plate number singles on commercial cover. Write with a description of your holdings for top offer. Tom Maeder, 1604 Bardale Ave., San Pedro, CA 90731.

Book: First major text on the subject: "Transportation Coils and Other Plate Number Coil Issues" by Dr. Joe Agris. Hard cover only. Color plates, 300+ photos: regular, precancelled, officials, errors, oddities, interesting anecdotes. Reg. \$49.95, members \$33.95 +2.55 postage. Eclectic Publishing, P.O. Box 20373, Houston, TX 77225-0373.

As the acme of their research and development, Lighthouse are now in a position to offer collectors of tagged and untagged (precanceled) STRIP format PNCs:

(a) All-inclusive, fully illustrated hingeless sets of pages with double-seam mounts that will hold — whatever you have or prefer — either PS 3 or PS 5

(b) individual spaces for the usual »collectable» gap and/or mail positions;

(c) and on top of all that, extra long PS 7+ spaces and mounts to even accomodate 3L and 2R gaps.

There are two sets of pages for the whole range of PNC atrips, viz:
53 PNC/1 SF: off COTTRELL press, with "Joint Line", regulars overall tagged, 1981—1985
53 PNC/2 SF: B, C/D & ANDREOTTI PNCs, w/o. joint line, regulars block tagged, 1981 to date.

Additionally, there are sets of pages as well for PNC **SINGLES**, again both **tagged** and **untagged**. These can, moreover, also be had as regular pages (without mounts)\*, i. e.

53 CS/1 or 53 CS/1 SF: off COTTRELL press, with "Joint Line\*, reg. overall tagged, 1981—1985
53 CS/2 or 53 CS/2 SF: off other presses, w/o. Joint Line\*, reg. block tagged, 1981 to date.

Originally, these pages were meant for **USED singles**. But, obviously, there seem to be quite a number of collectors, too, who save PNC MINT singles (see STAMP COLLECTOR of 11/28/87, page 20, »Modern Stamp Collecting«).

The aforementioned sets of pages are suitably inserted in either a DP-53: Lighthouse PERFECT 2-post turn-bar Binder with »USA« on spine, or DE-red: Lighthouse EXCELLENT 13-ring Binder (w/o. name of country on spine).

KA-red: matching Slip Case for either one of the aforementioned binders.

It is a matter of personal preference whether to choose a PERFECT or an EXCELLENT binder. In view of the lengths of particularly the PS 7 spaces and mounts, the editors feel inclined to recommend the DE-red binder for items 53 PNC/1 & 2 SF, since the pages usually get bent less when being turned over

Supplements: PARTS 2 of the STRIP and SINGLE format albums will be up-dated by annual supplements (or possibly only every other year depending on the number of new PNC issues during any one year).

Summary	Period	No. of Pages	Regular Pages without mounts		SF-Hingeless Pages with mounts	
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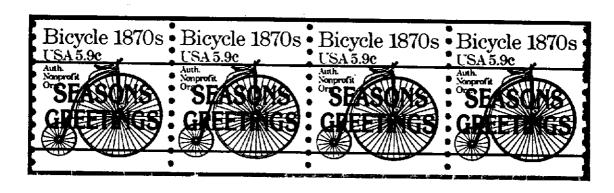
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