



A COLLECTION OF

Migratory Bird Hunting Stamps

WITH SIGNATURES
OF THE ARTISTS

These stamps were originally issued by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and later by the U.S. Department of the Interior, to raise funds for the preservation and the restoration of wild waterfowl. Ninety percent of the funds raised from the sale of these stamps is used for the purchase and maintenance of refuges, and the remaining ten percent is used for the printing and distribution of the stamps.

Issue of 1934



Mallard Ducks

When the Migratory-Bird Hunting Stamps were first issued, a hunter was required to purchase a stamp from the Post Office Department. The stamp was affixed to a certificate and was canceled by having the purchaser write his name across the stamp, later the certificate was abolished, and the stamp was affixed directly to the hunting license.

Form 3333
FEDERAL MIGRATORY-BIRD HUNTING CERTIFICATE AND STAMP
Issued by Post Office Department under Act of Congress March 16, 1934. For exclusive use of owner whose signature appears on the reverse side hereof

POSTMASTER WILL
ADHESIVELY AFFIX
A MIGRATORY-BIRD
HUNTING STAMP HERE

GEORGETOWN, N.C.
JAN 11 1935
Postmarking
Stamp Here

JOSEPH G. GALLAGHER, Postmaster
Joseph G. Gallagher
5-11576

Migratory-Bird Hunting Certificate

1934 Hunting Certificate, reverse side

FEDERAL LAW

No person over sixteen years of age shall take any migratory waterfowl unless at the time of such taking he carries on his person an unexpired Federal migratory-bird hunting stamp issued to him by the Post Office Department under regulations prescribed jointly by the Secretary of Agriculture and the Postmaster General, except that no such stamp shall be required for the taking of migratory waterfowl by Federal or State institutions or official agencies, for propagation purposes or by the resident owner tenant or share cropper of the property or officially designated agencies of the Department of Agriculture for the killing of such waterfowl when found injuring crops or other property, under such restrictions as the Secretary of Agriculture may by regulation prescribe. (Public No. 124, approved March 16, 1934.)

Having read the foregoing I do certify that I am not required by State law to have a game license.

Marion W. Obriq

(Signature of owner)

GPO 5-11576

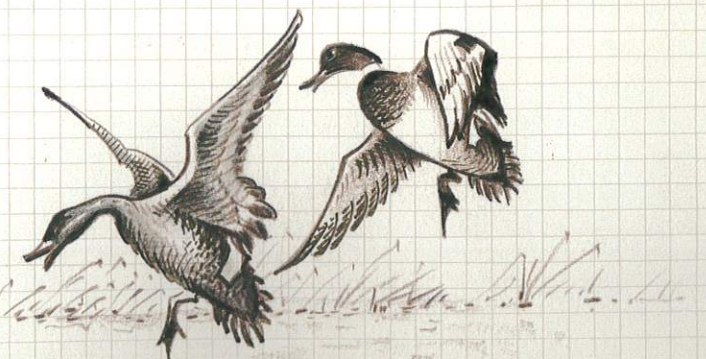
It was only fitting that Alvin R. Meissner of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing should design the very first of the annual series of duck stamps from an original drawing by

Jay N. "Ding" Darling

who was head of the Bureau of Biological Survey, one of the predecessor agencies of the Fish and Wildlife Service.



*Vignette engraved by
Carl T. Arlt, frame
lettering & numerals
by Frank Lamasure.
Plates: 129199-129202
Quantity sold: 635,001*

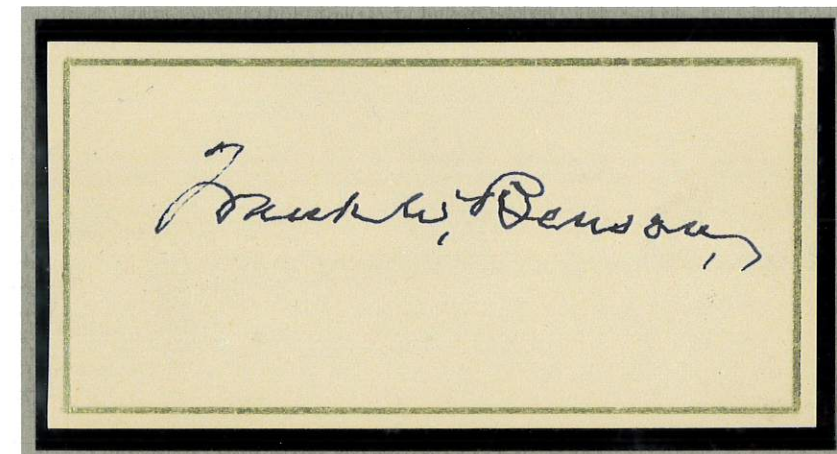


Issue of 1935

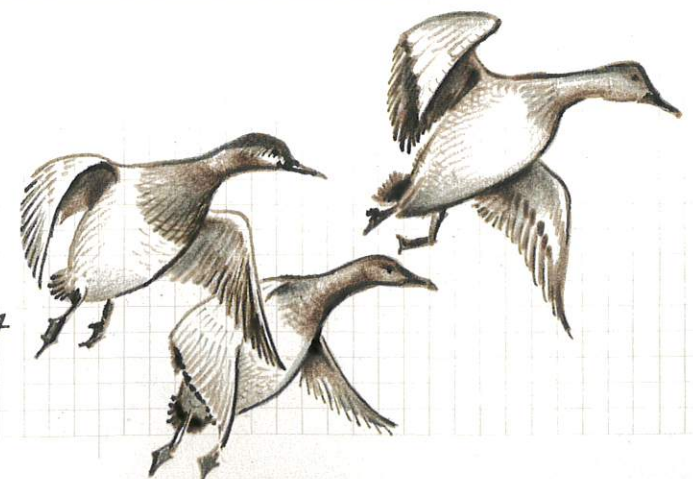


Canvasback Ducks

*Designed by Alvin R. Meissner
from an original drawing by
Frank W. Benson*



*Vignette engraved by
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lettering & numerals
by Donald R. McLeod
Plates: 131980-83
Quantity sold: 448,204*



Issue of 1936



Canada Geese

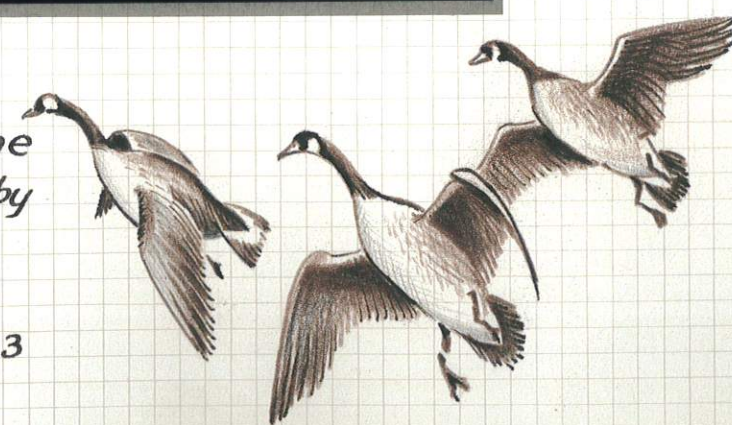
*Designed by Alvin R. Meissner
from an original drawing by
Richard E. Bishop*



*Vignette engraved by
James R. Lowe, frame
lettering & numerals by
Frank Lamasure.*

Plates: 134-317, 8

Quantity sold: 603,623

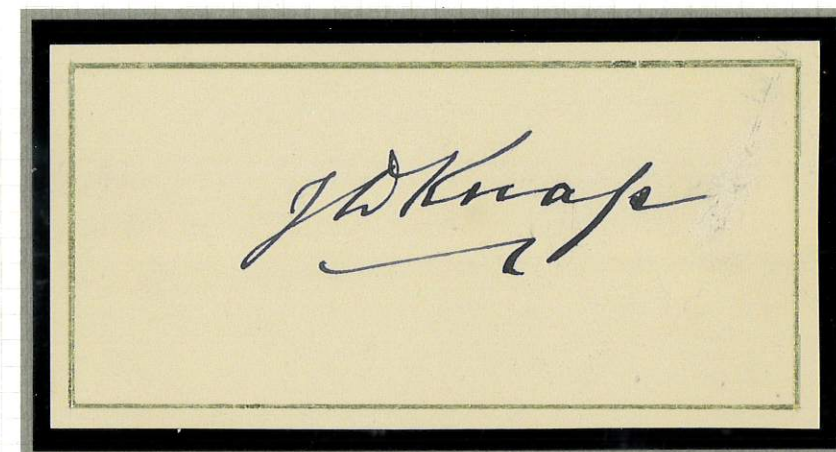


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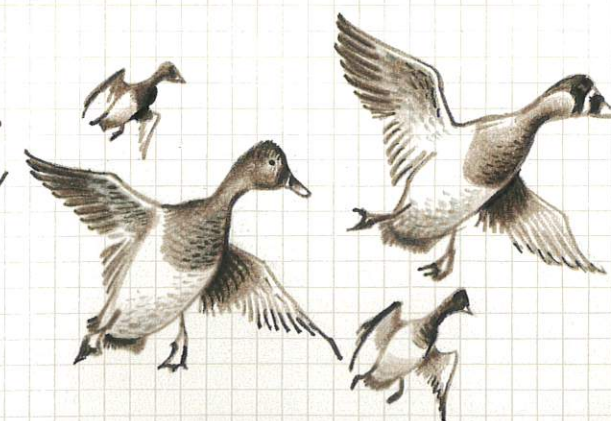


Greater Scaup Ducks

*Designed by Alvin R. Meissner
from an original drawing by
J. D. Knap*



*Vignette engraved by
James R. Lowe. Frame
lettering & numerals by
Donald R. McLeod, Wm
B. Wells & Alton Payne.
Plates: 136267
Quantity sold: 783,039*

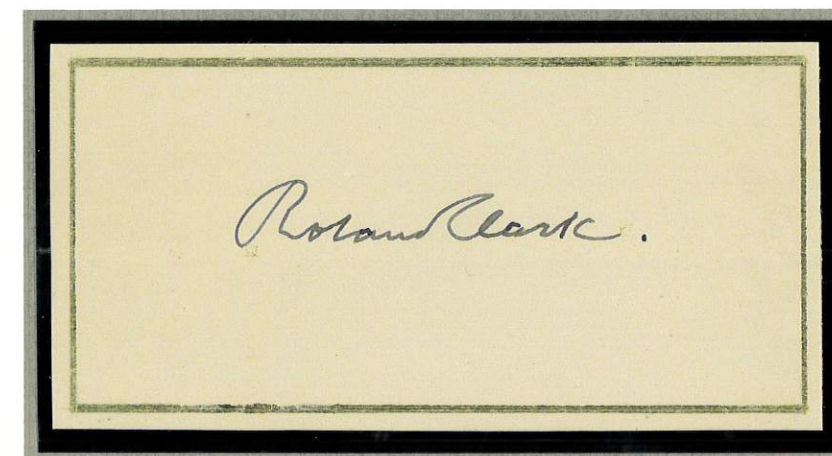


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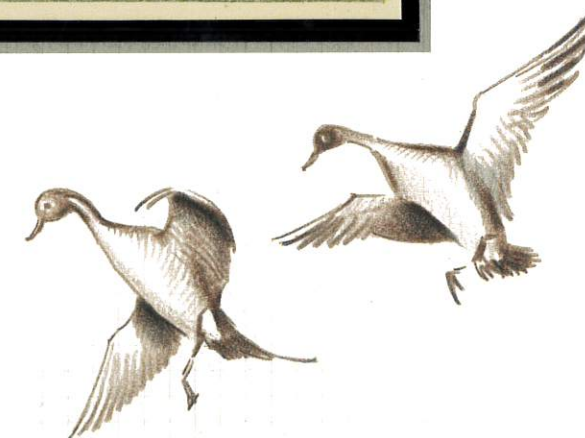


Pintail Ducks

*Designed by Alvin R. Meissner
from an original drawing by
Roland Clark*



*Vignette engraved by
James R. Lowe. Frame
lettering & numerals by
Donald R. McLeod and
James T. Vail.
Plate 138602
Quantity sold: 1,002,715*

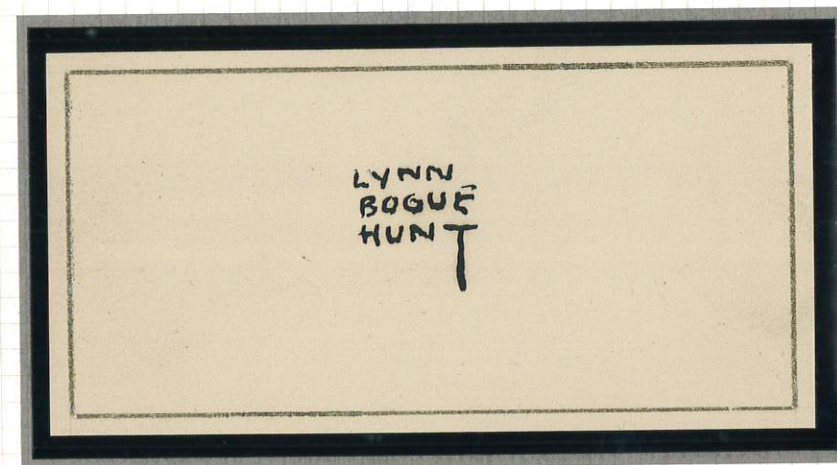


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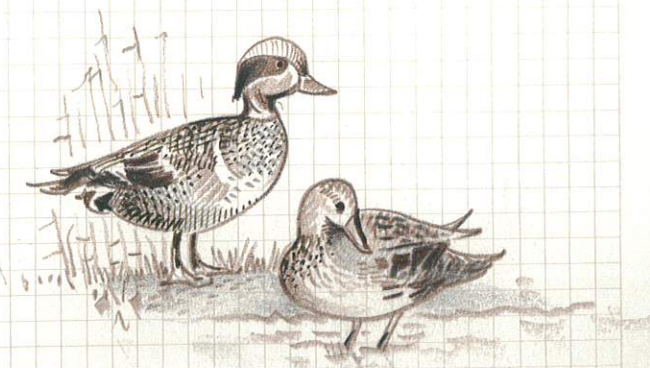


Green Winged Teal

*Designed by William K. Schrage
from an original drawing by
Lynn Bogue Hunt*



*Vignette engraved by
Matthew D. Fenton. Frame
by Wm. B. Wells. Lettering &
numerals by Geo. L. Huber.
Plate: 141428
Quantity sold: 1,111,561*

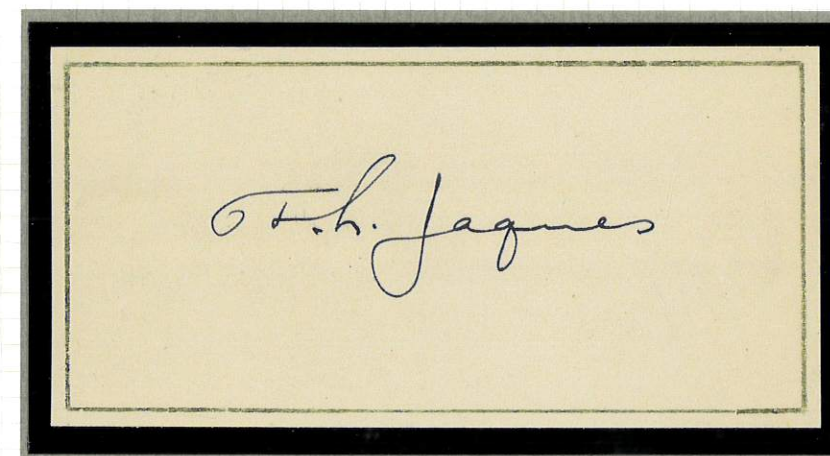


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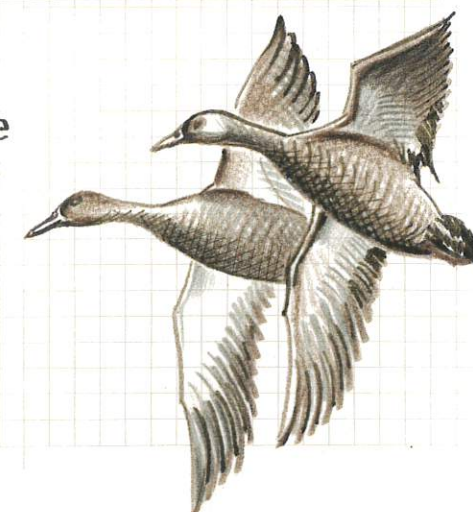


Black Ducks

*Designed by Victor S. McCloskey, Jr.
from an original drawing by
Francis L. Jacques*



*Vignette engraved by
Matthew D. Fenton. Frame
lettering & numerals by
James T. Vail.
Plates: 143743-76
Quantity sold: 1,260,810*

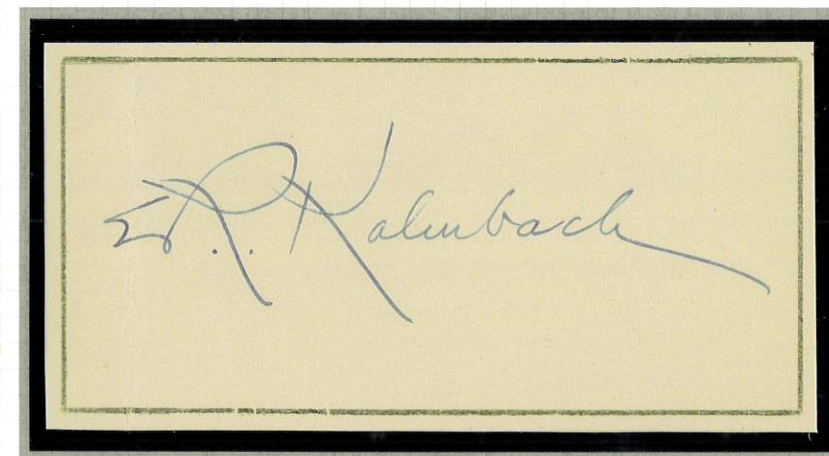


Issue of 1941



Ruddy Ducks

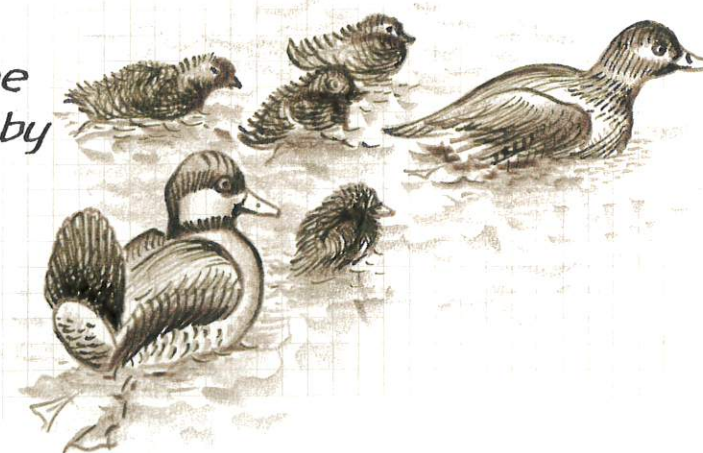
*Designed by Victor S. McCloskey, Jr.
from an original drawing by
E. R. Kalmbach*



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Charles A. Brooks. Frame
lettering and numerals by
Alex W. Christensen.*

Plates : 146271, 282

Quantity sold : 1,439,967

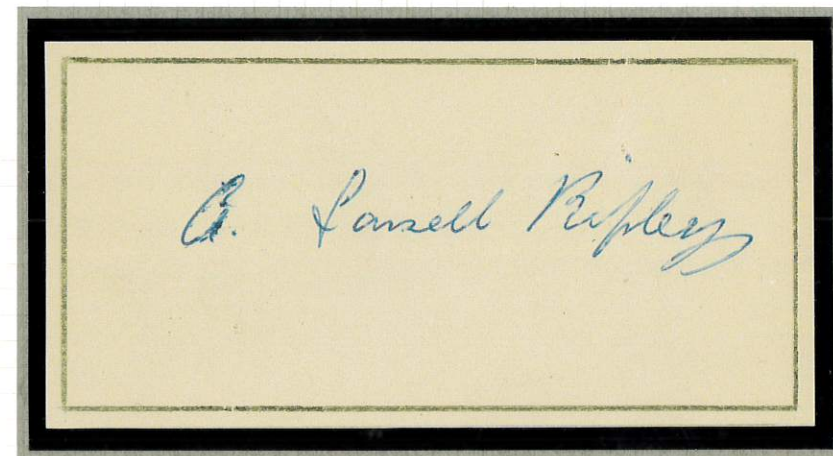


Issue of 1942

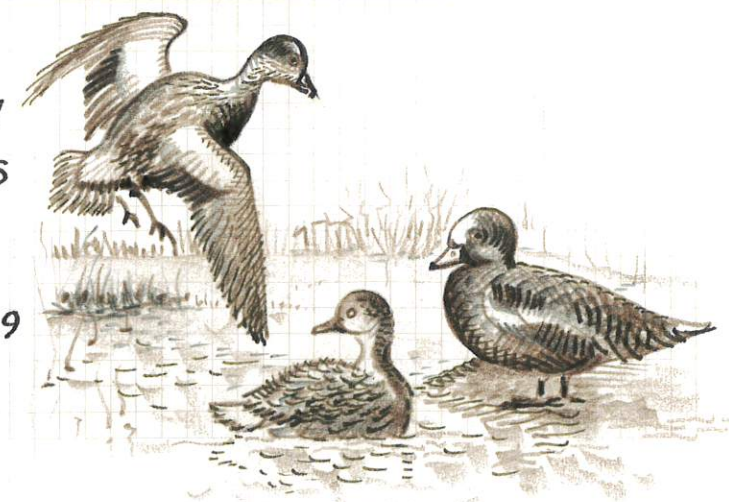


Widgeon Ducks

*Designed by William K. Schrage
from an original drawing by
A. Lassell Ripley*



*Vignette engraved by
Carl T. Ault, Frame and
Lettering and numerals
by George L. Huber
Plates : 149599, 600
Quantity sold : 1,383,629*

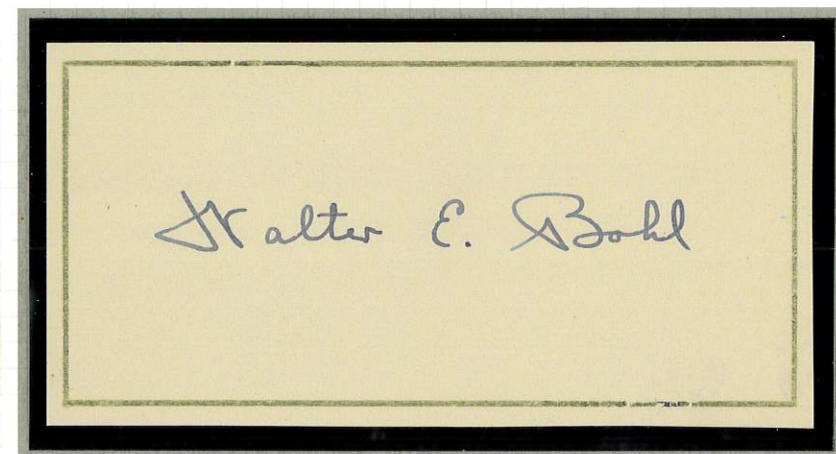


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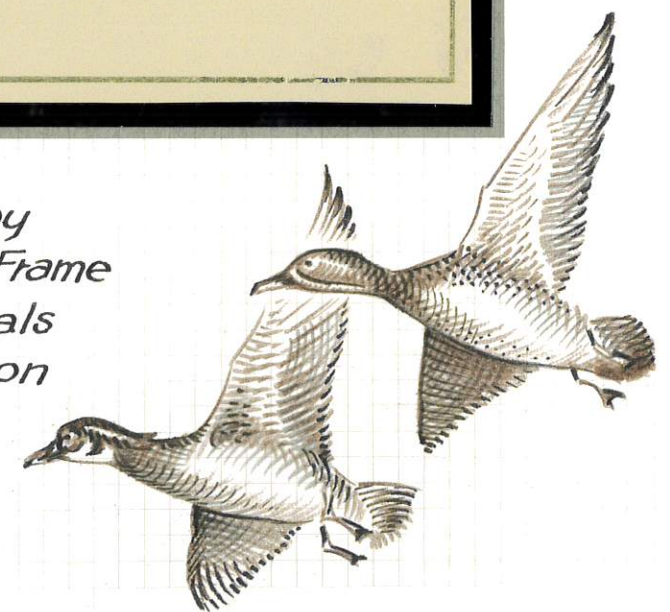


Wood Ducks

*Designed by Victor S. McCloskey, Jr.
from an original drawing by
Walter E. Bohl*



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Charles A. Brooks. Frame
lettering and numerals
by John S. Edmondson
Plates: 152826, 7
Quantity: 1,169,352*

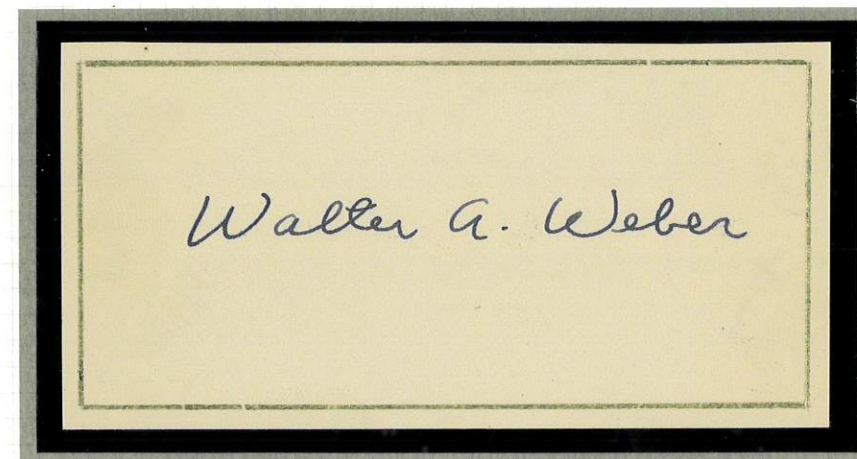


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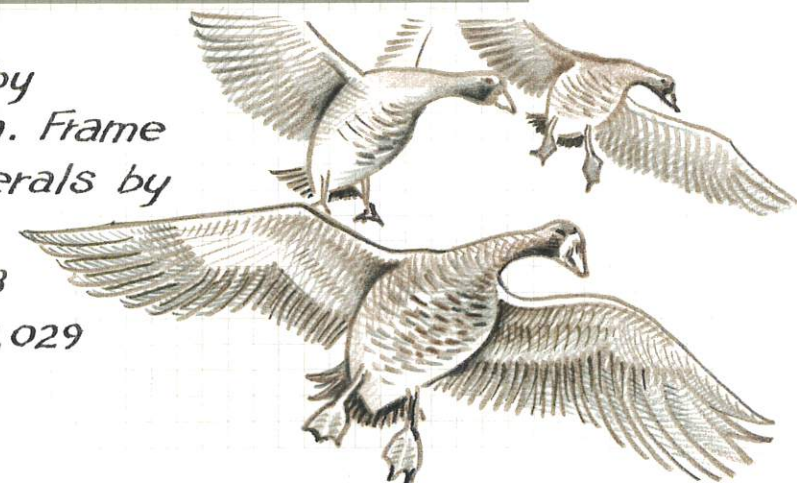


White-Fronted Geese

*Designed by William K. Schrage
from an original drawing by
Walter A. Weber*



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Matthew D. Fenton. Frame
lettering and numerals by
George L. Huber
Plates: 155590, 603
Quantity sold: 1,487,029*

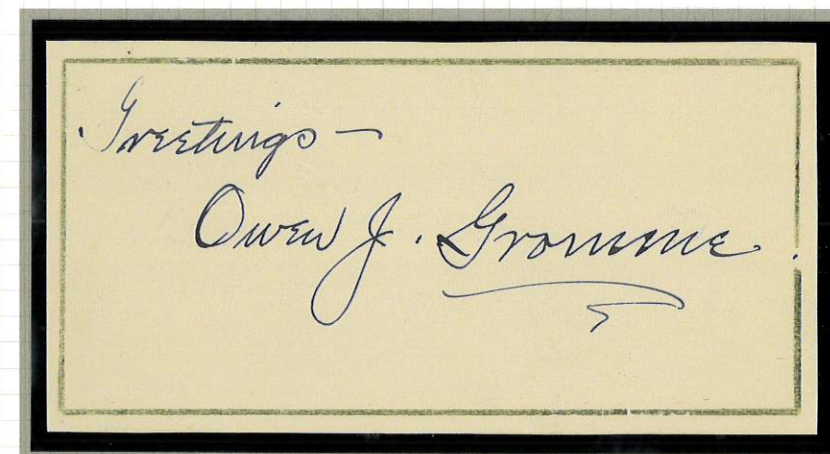


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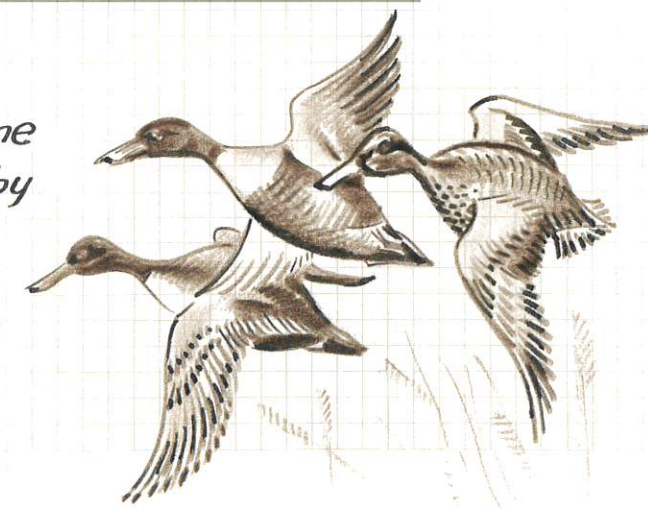


Shoveller Ducks

*Designed by Victor S. McCloskey, Jr.
from an original drawing by
Owen J. Gromme*



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Matthew D. Fenton, frame
lettering and numerals by
John S. Edmondson
Plates: 157248, 9
Quantity sold: 1,725,505*



Issue of 1946

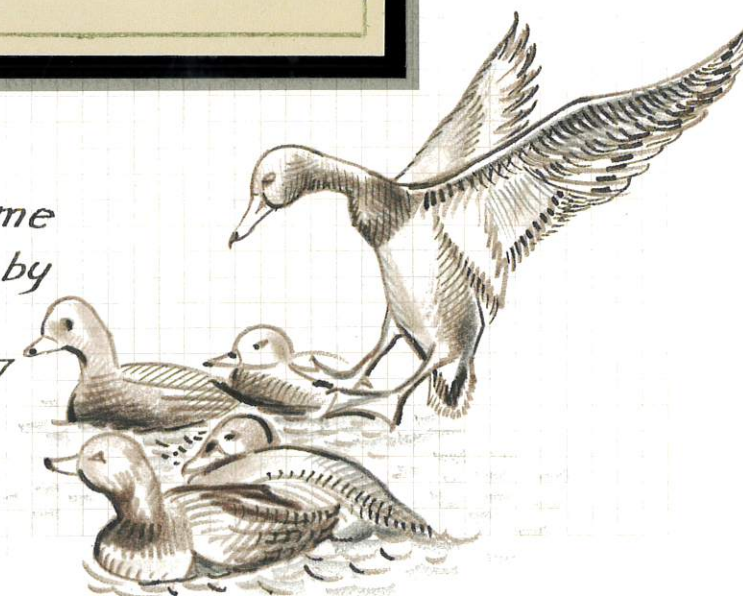


Redhead Ducks

*Designed by William K. Schrage
from an original drawing by
Robert W. Hines*

Robert W. Hines

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Matthew D. Fenton, frame
lettering and numerals by
John S. Edmondson
Plates: 15844-8, 49, 56, 57
Quantity sold: 2,016,819*

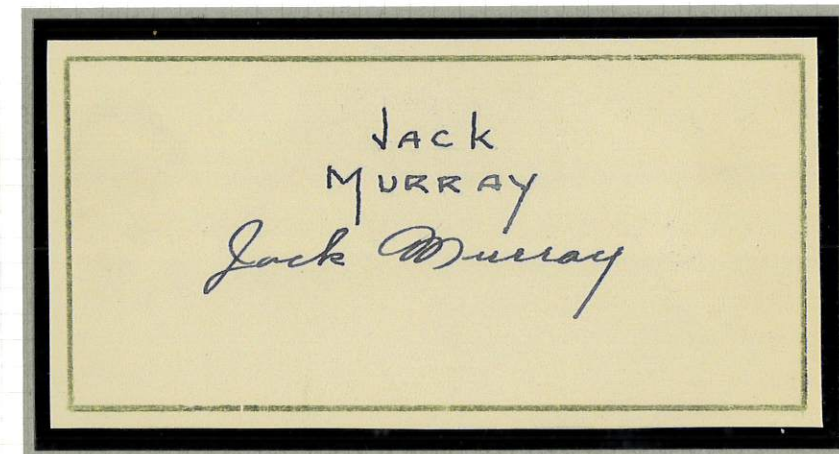


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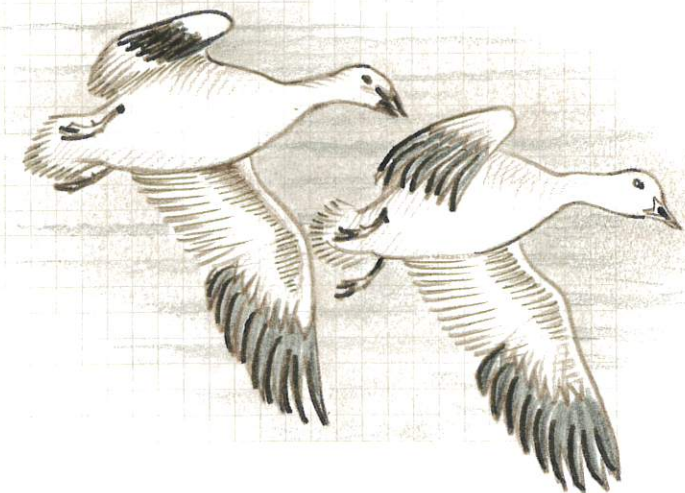


Snow Geese

*Designed by Victor S. McCloskey, Jr.
from an original drawing by
Jack Murray*



*Vignette engraved by
Arthur Dintaman, frame
lettering and numerals by
Alex W. Christensen.
Plates : 159461, 2, 3, 4
Quantity sold : 1,722,677*



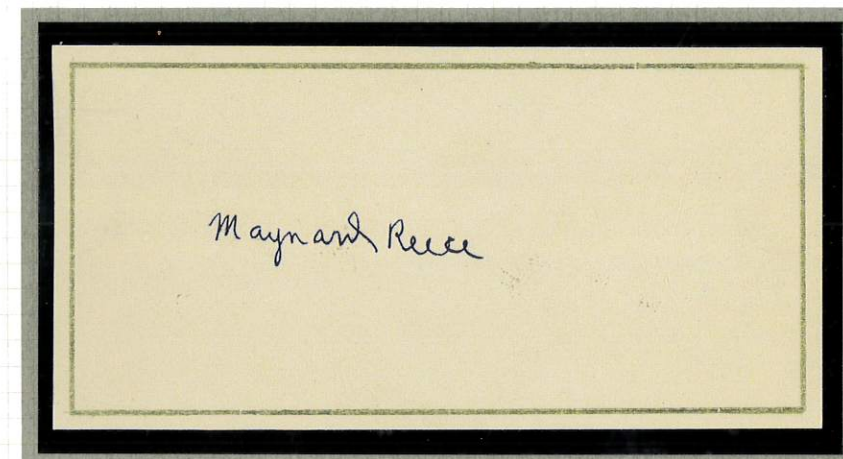
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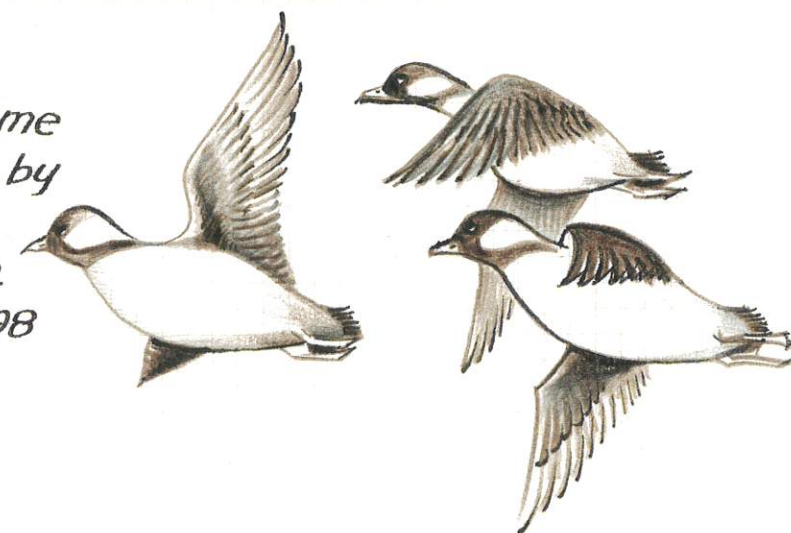
Buffle-Head Ducks

designed by
Maynard Reece

from his own original drawing



Vignette engraved by
Arthur W. Dintaman, frame
lettering and numerals by
Alex W. Christensen.
Plates: 160099, 100, 1, 2
Quantity sold: 2,127,598

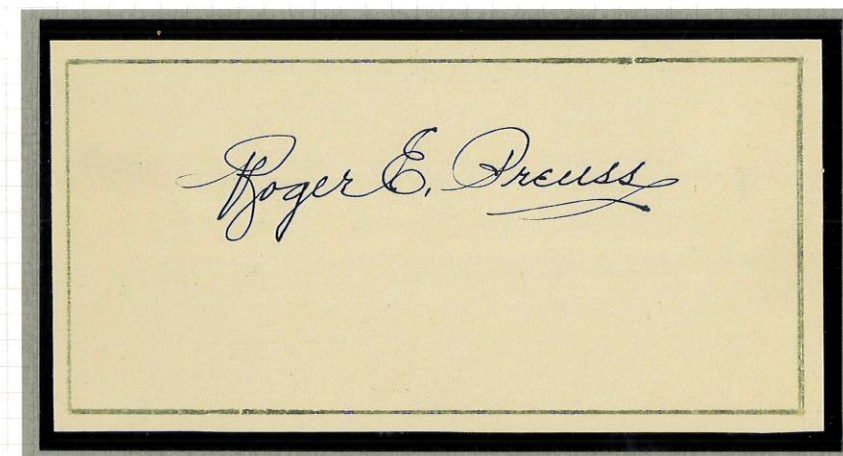


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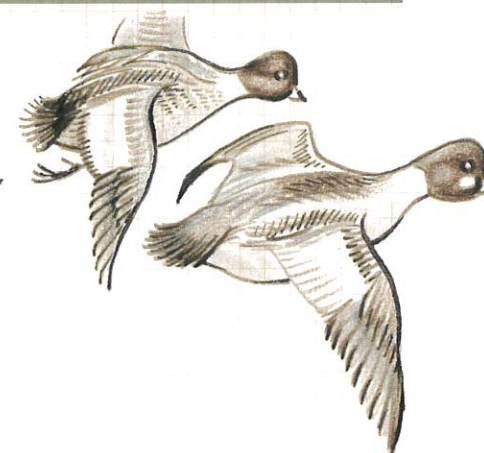


Goldeneye Ducks

designed by
Roger E. Preuss
from his own original drawing



Vignette engraved by
Richard M. Bower, frame
lettering and numerals by
John S. Edmondson
Plates: 160790, 1, 2, 3
Quantity sold: 1,951, 734

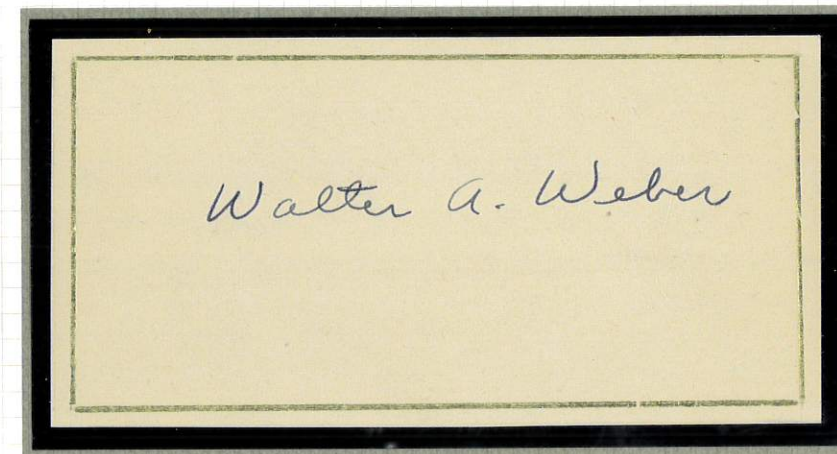


Issue of 1950

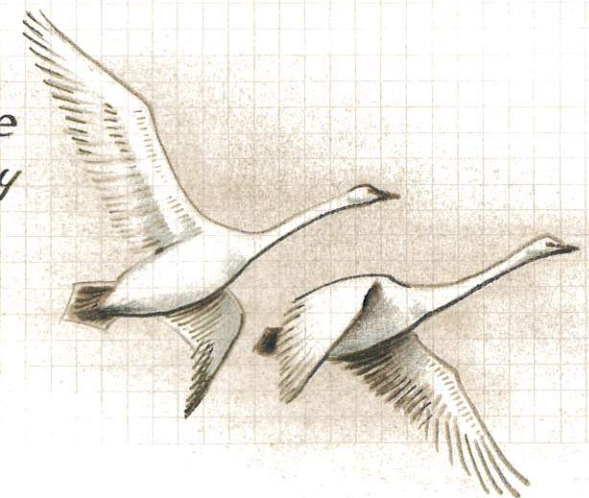


Trumpeter Swans

*designed by
Walter A. Weber
from his own original drawing*



*Vignette engraved by
Arthur Dintaman, frame
lettering and numerals by
Reuben K. Barrick.
Plates: 161533,4,5,6
Quantity sold: 1,903,644*



Issue of 1951

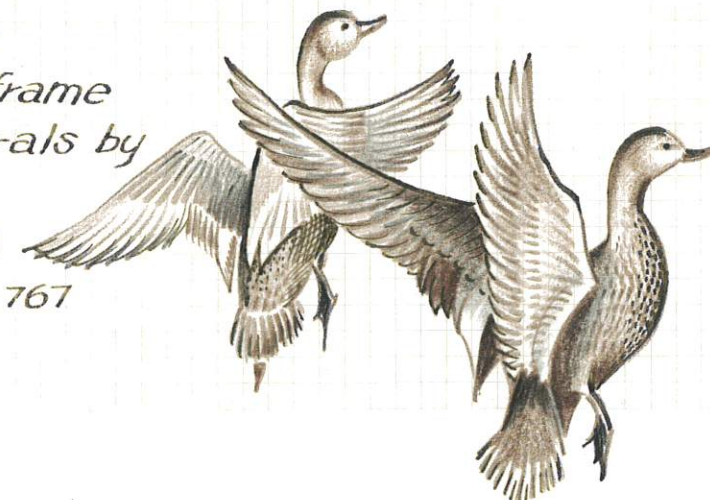


Gadwall Ducks

designed by
Maynard Reece
from his own original drawing



Vignette engraved by
Richard M. Bower, frame
lettering and numerals by
Reuben K. Barrick
Plates: 162125, 6, 7, 8
Quantity sold: 2,167,767

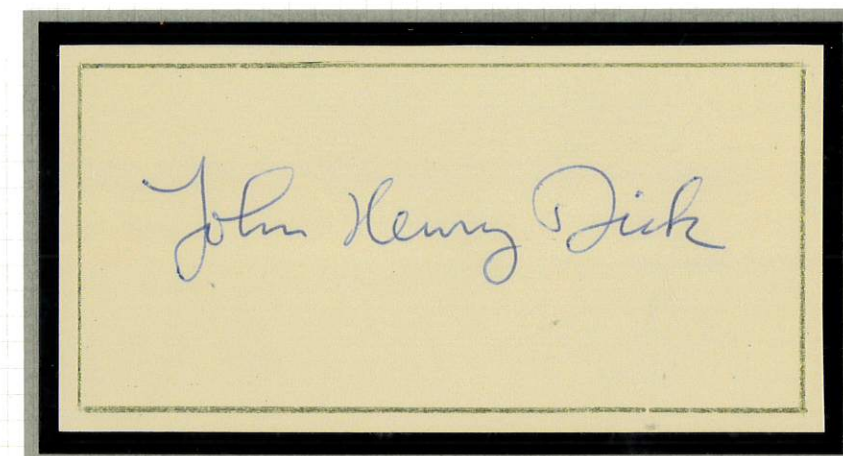


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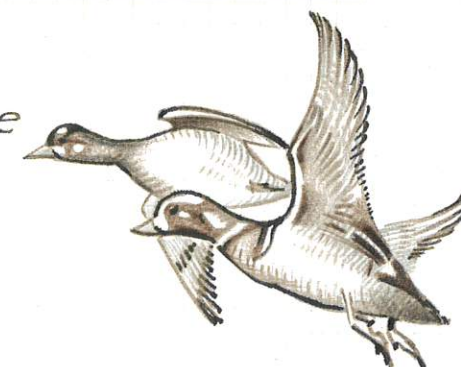


Harlequin Ducks

*Designed by R.L. Miller and J. H. Dick,
from an original drawing by
John Henry Dick*



*Vignette engraved by
George A. Gundersen, frame
lettering and numerals by
John S. Edmundson.
Plates: 162602, 3, 4, 5
Quantity sold: 2, 296, 628*

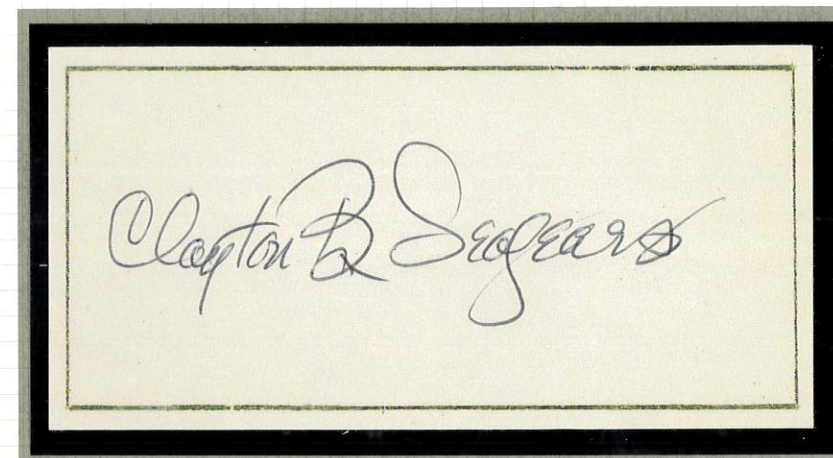


Issue of 1953



Blue-Winged Teals

*Designed by William K. Schrage
From an original drawing by
Clayton B. Seagears*



*Vignette engraved by
Arthur W. Dintaman, frame
lettering and numerals by
Robert R. Jones
Plates : 163622, 3, 4, 5
Quantity sold : 2,268,446*



Issue of 1954



Ring-Necked Ducks

*Designed by Victor S. McCloskey
from an original drawing by
Harvey D. Sandstrom*



*Vignette engraved by
Matthew D. Fenton, frame
lettering and numerals by
George L. Huber
Plates: 164744, 5, 6, 7
Quantity sold: 2,184,550*

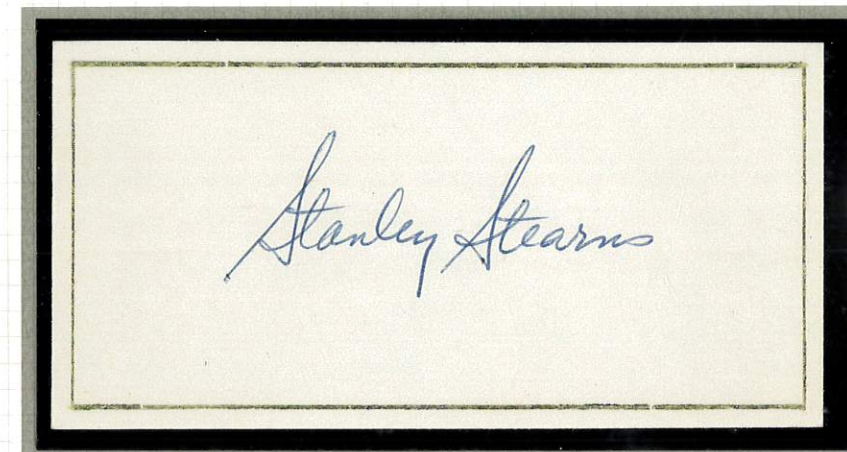


Issue of 1955

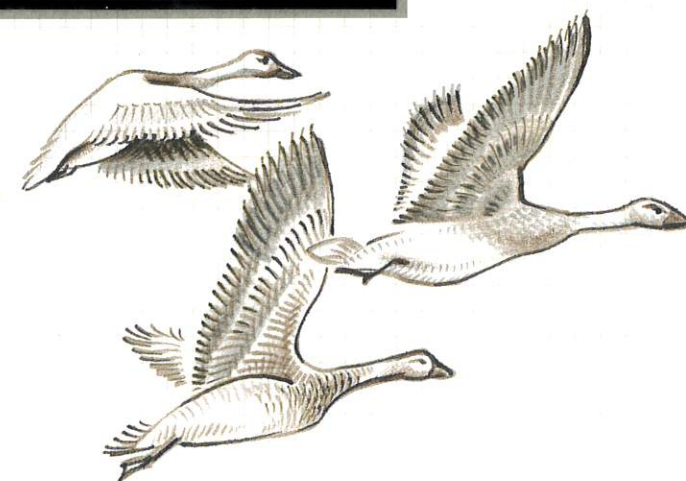


Blue Geese

*Designed by Robert L. Miller
from an original drawing by -
Stanley Stearns*



*Vignette engraved by
Richard M. Bower, frame
lettering and numerals by
Robert J. Jones
Plates: 165282, 3, 4, 5
Quantity sold: 2,369,940*

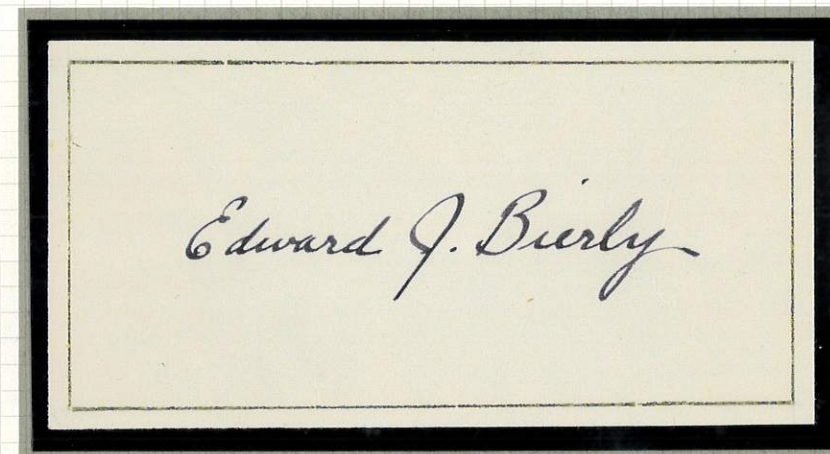


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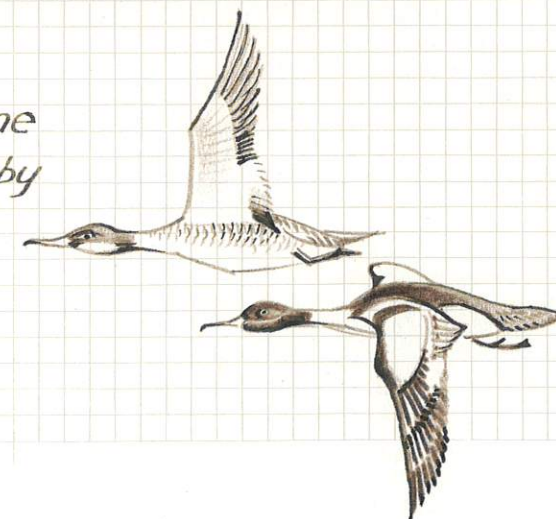


Common Merganser Ducks

*Designed by William K. Schrage
from an original drawing by
Edward J. Bierly*



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lettering and numerals by
Georg A. Payne
Plates: 165826, 7, 9, 60
Quantity sold: 2,332,014*

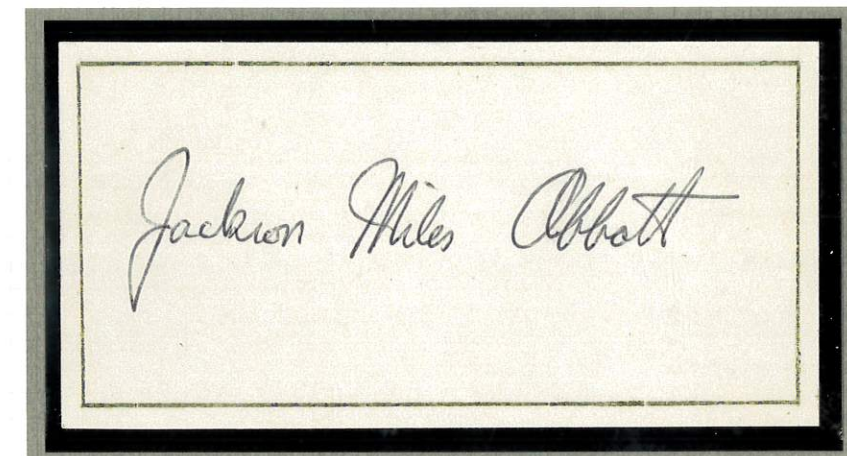


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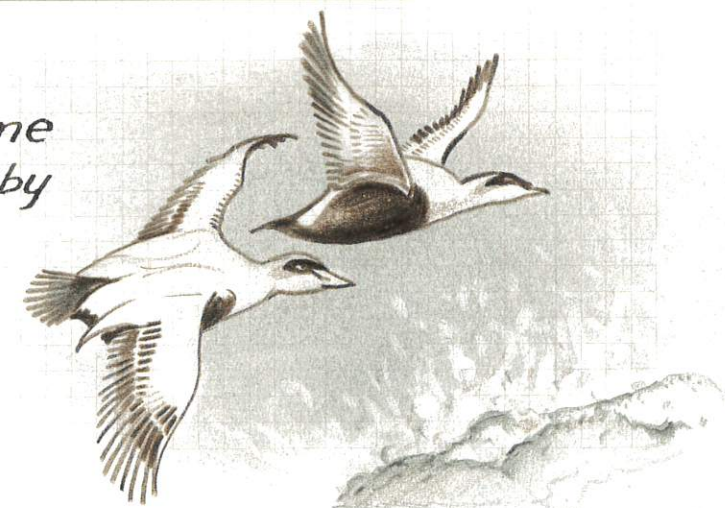


Common Eider Ducks

*Designed by Victor S. McCloskey
from an original drawing by
Jackson Miles Abbott*



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lettering and numerals by
Howard F. Sharpless
Plates: 166256, 7, 8, 9
Quantity sold: 2,355,353*

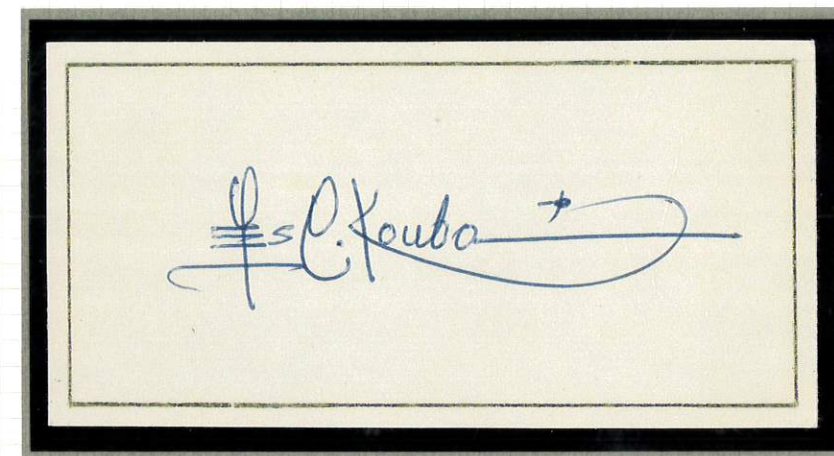


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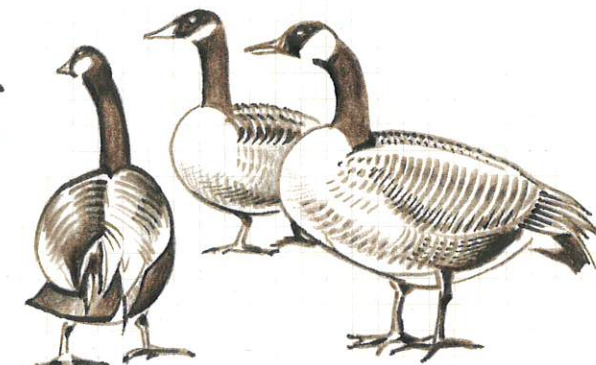


Canada Geese

*Designed by R. L. Miller
from an original drawing by
Leslie C. Kouba*



*Vignette engraved by
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lettering and numerals by
George L. Huber
Plates: 166753, 4, 5, 6
Quantity sold: 2,176,425*



Issue of 1959



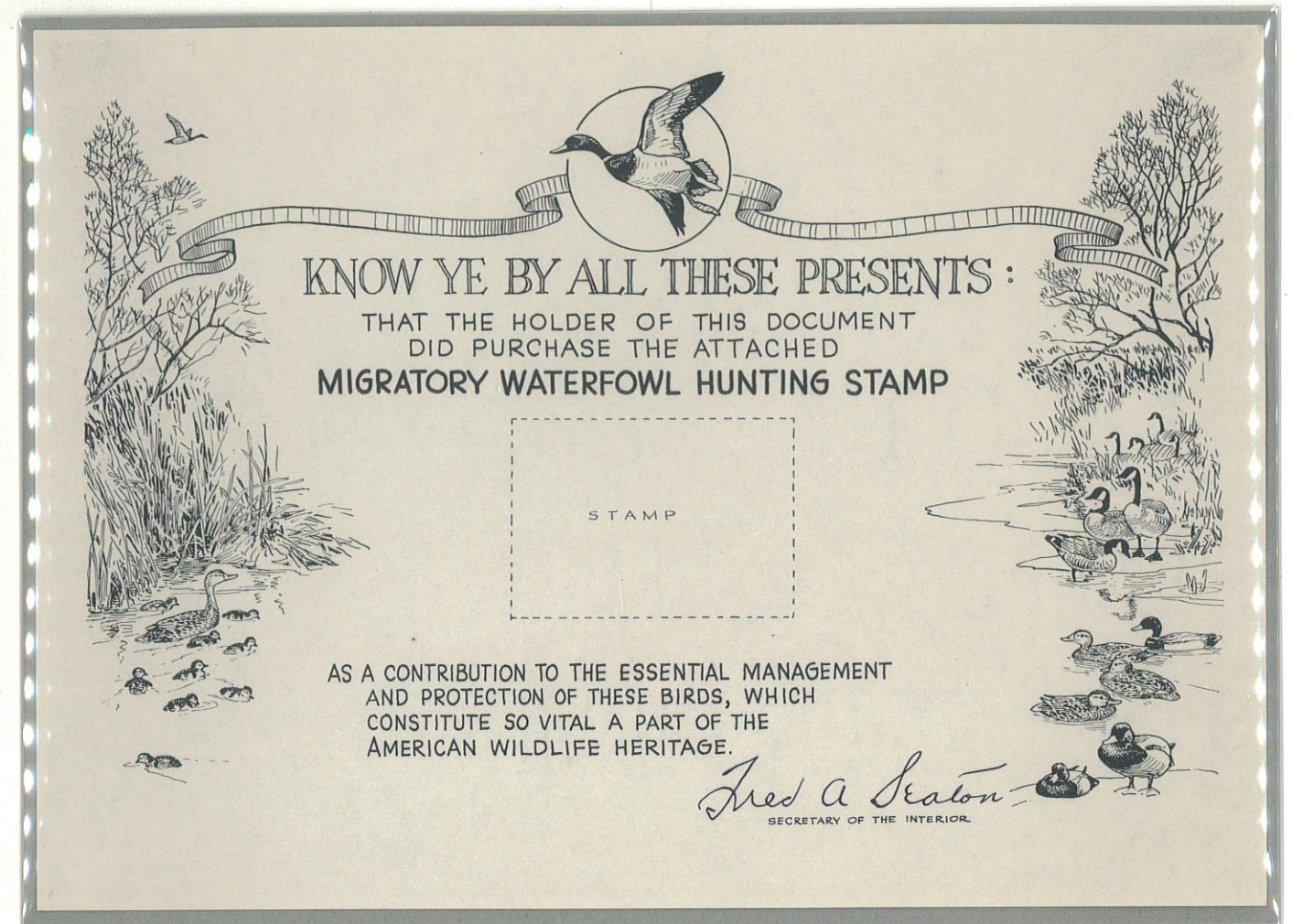
Labrador Retriever with Duck

*Designed by Robert Hines and V.S. McCloskey
from an original drawing by
Maynard Reece*



*Vignette engraved by
Arthur W. Dintaman, frame
lettering and numerals by
Howard F. Sharpless
Plates : 167109, 120; 167097
Quantity sold : 1,628,365*





Certificate of Purchase

Card Certificate of Purchase, printed by the National Wildlife Federation, was featured in a special post-season promotion, to boost low hunting-season sales in 1960. Small quantities were distributed by mail by the Fish and Wildlife Service to post-season purchasers of 1959-1960 stamps.

Issue of 1960

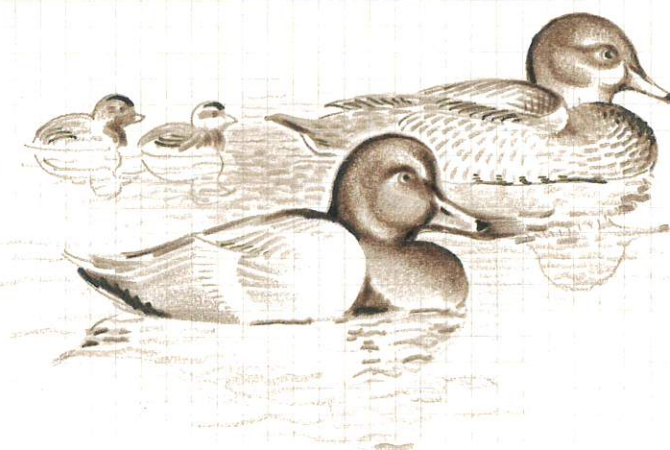


Redhead Ducks

*Designed by Robert L. Miller
from an original drawing by
John A. Ruthven*



*Vignette engraved by
Charles A. Brooks,
Lettering and numerals
by George A. Payne.
Plates: 167498-503
Quantity sold 1,727,534*

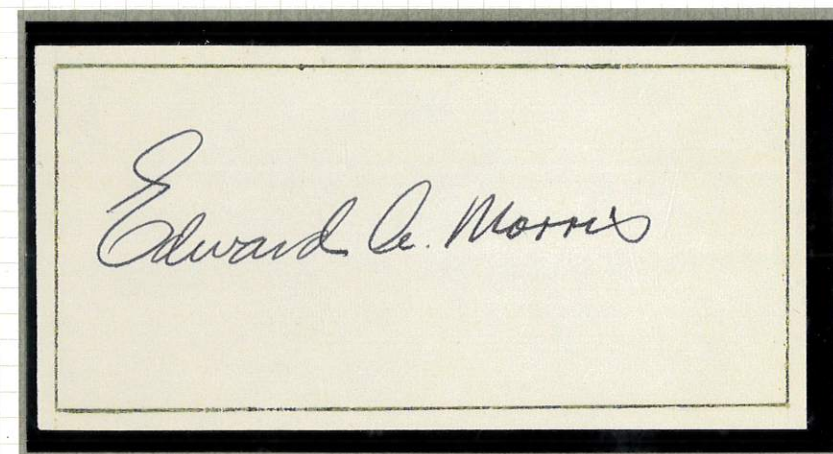


Issue of 1961



Mallards

*Designed by Victor S. McCloskey, Jr.
from an original drawing by
Edward A. Morris*



*Vignette engraved by
Richard M. Bower,
Lettering and numerals
by Howard F. Sharpless.
Plates: 167768-72
Quantity sold 1,346,003*

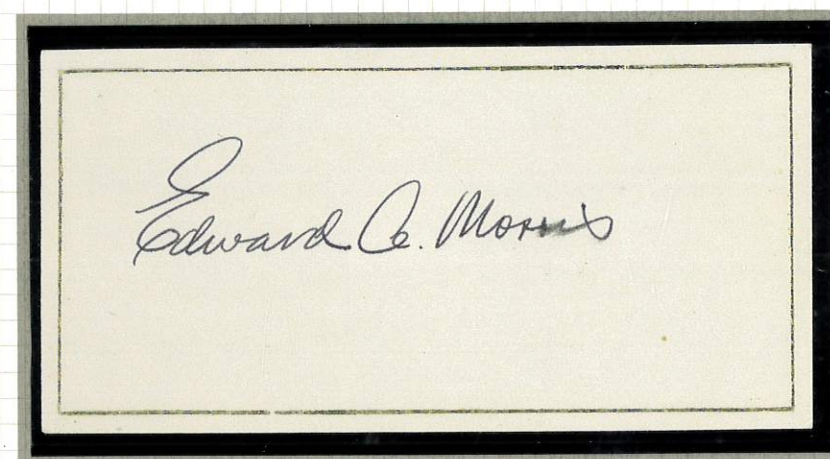


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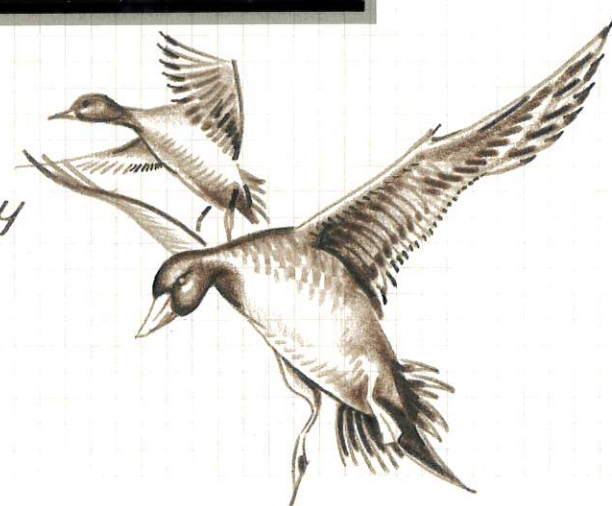


Pintail Ducks

*Designed by Robert L. Miller
from an original drawing by
Edward A. Morris*



*Vignette engraved by
Richard M. Bower, frame
lettering and numerals by
William R. Burnell
Plate : 168073
Quantity sold : 1,147,553*

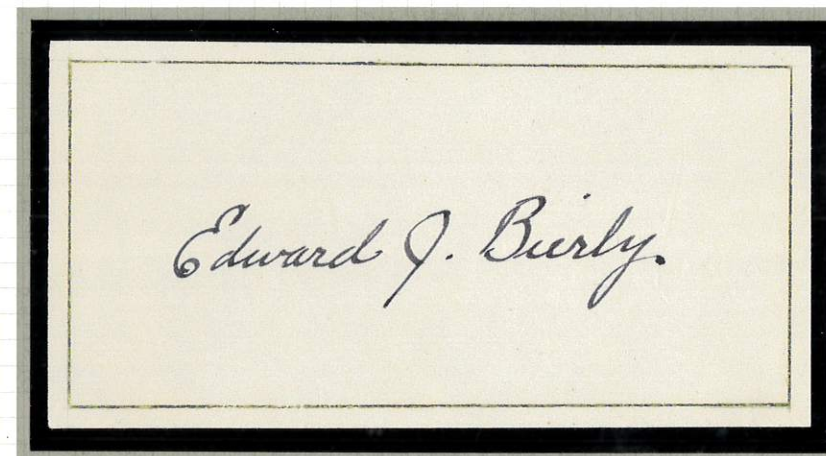


Issue of 1963

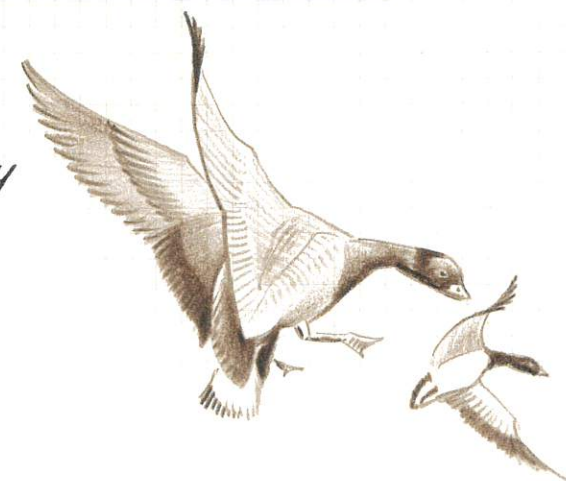


Brant Ducks

*Designed by William K. Schrage
from an original drawing by
Edward J. Bierly*



*Vignette engraved by
Charles A. Brooks, frame
lettering and numerals by
William R. Burnell
Plates: 168269, 273
Quantity sold: 1,455,486*

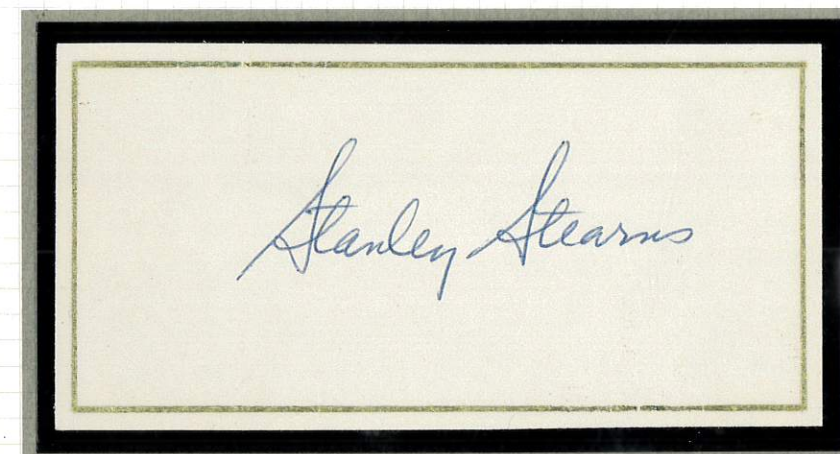


Issue of 1964

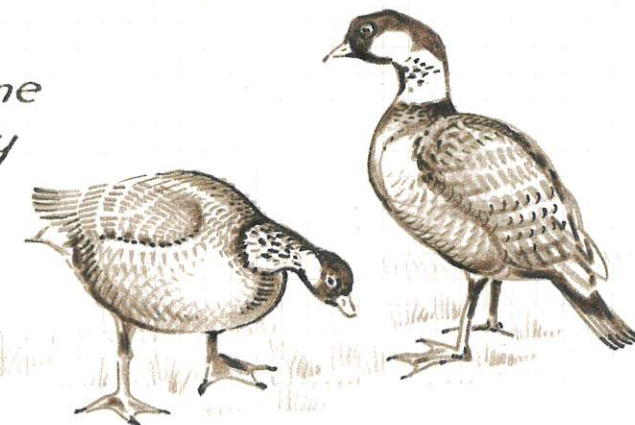


Nene Geese

*Designed by Robert L. Miller
from an original drawing by
Stanley Stearns*



*Vignette engraved by
Arthur W. Dintaman, frame
lettering and numerals by
William R. Burnell
Plates: 168629, 30
Quantity sold: 1,573,155*



Issue of 1965

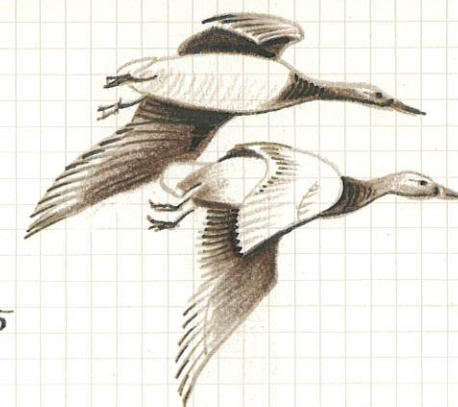


Canvasback Ducks

*Designed by Robert L. Miller
from an original drawing by
Ron Jenkins*



*Vignette engraved by
Joseph C. Creamer,
lettering and numerals
by Howard F. Sharpless
Plates: 168790, 91
Quantity sold: 1,558,755*

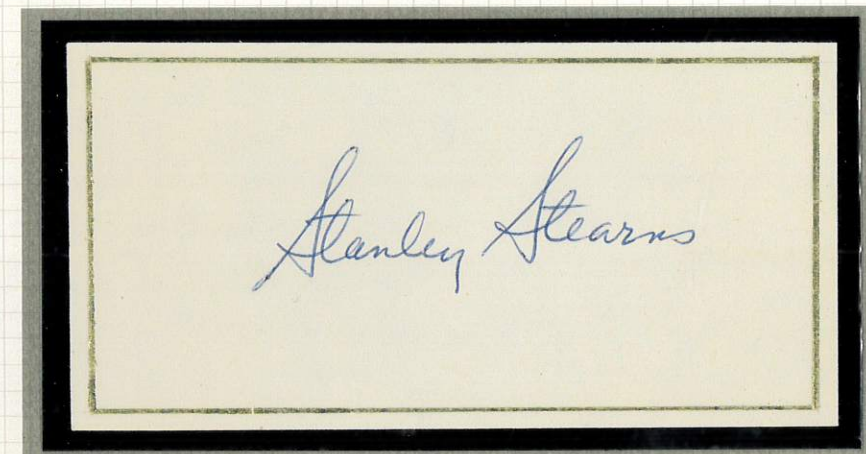


Issue of 1966



Whistling Swans

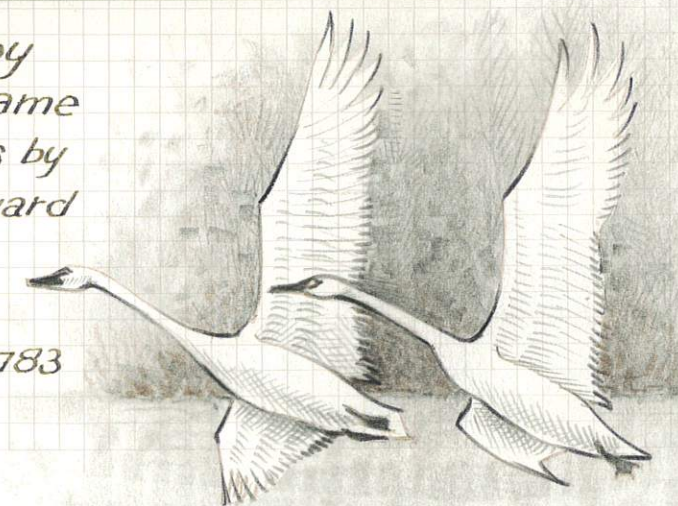
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from an original drawing by
Stanley Stearns*



*Vignette engraved by
Charles A. Brooks, frame
lettering & numerals by
W.R. Burnell and Howard
F. Sharpless.*

Plates: 169058, 063

Quantity sold: 1,804,783

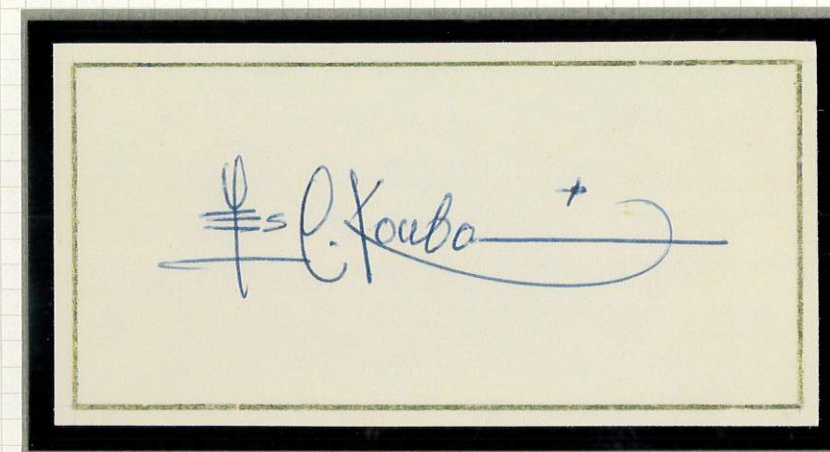


Issue of 1967

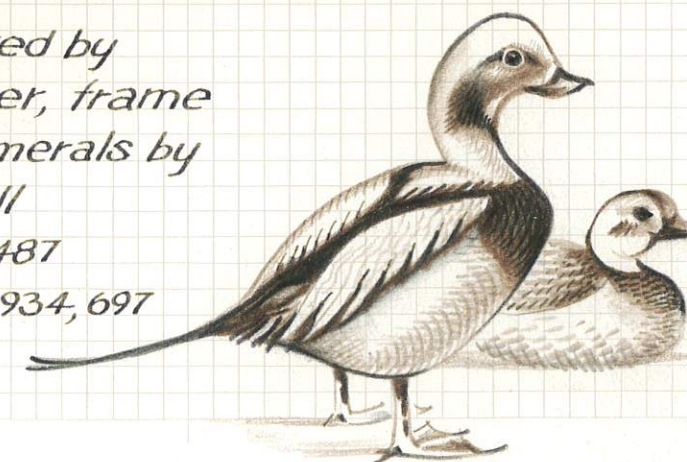


Oldsquaw Ducks

*Designed by Robert J. Johns
from an original drawing by
Leslie C. Kouba*



*Vignette engraved by
Edward R. Felver, frame
lettering and numerals by
William R. Burnell
Plates: 169457, 487
Quantity sold: 1,934,697*

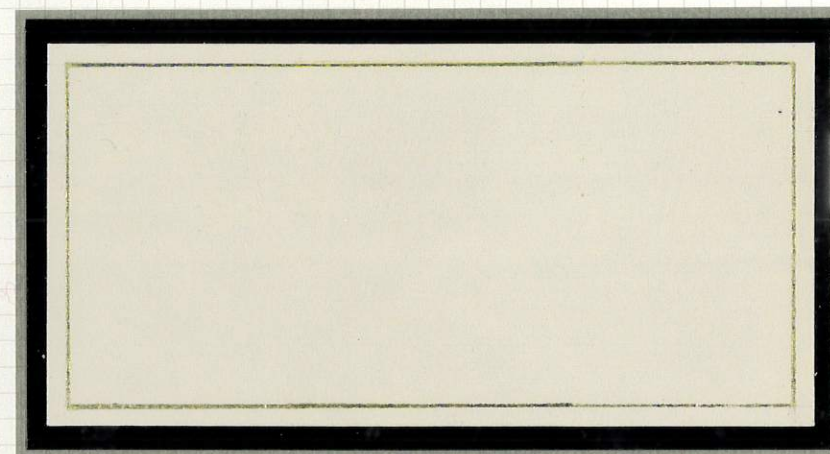


Issue of 1968



Hooded Mergansers

*Designed by Leonard E. Buckley
from an original drawing by
C. G. Pritchard*



*Vignette engraved by
Arthur W. Dintaman, frame
lettering and numerals by
Robert G. Culin
Plates: 170436, 443
Quantity sold: 1,811,754*



Issue of 1969

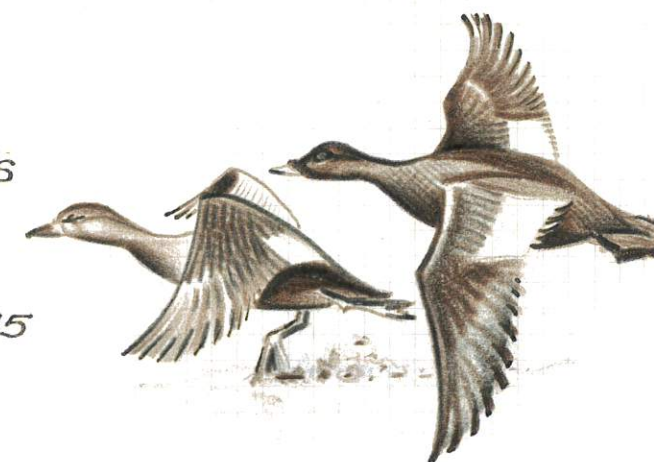


White-Winged Scoter Ducks

*Designed by Howard C. Mildner
from an original drawing by
Maynard Reece*



*Vignette engraved by
Edward R. Felver
lettering and numerals
by Albert Saavedra
Plates: 170765 - 67
Quantity sold: 2,087,115*



Issue of 1970

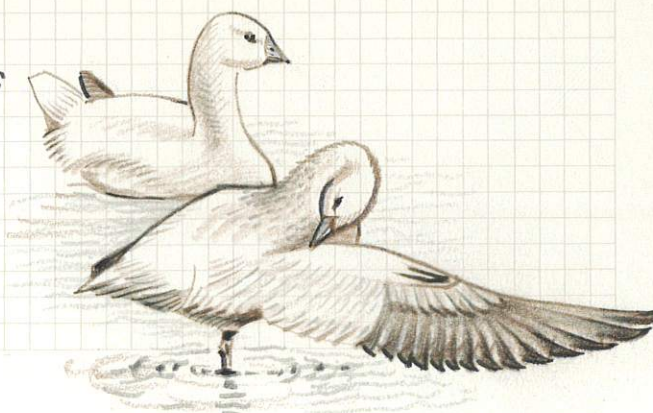


Ross' Geese

*Designed by Leonard E. Buckley
from an original drawing by
Edward J. Bierly*

Edward J. Bierly

*Vignette engraved by
Joseph S. Cramer, Jr.
frame, lettering & numerals
by Robert G. Culin
Plates: 171165, 69
Quantity sold: 2,320,244*



Issue of 1971

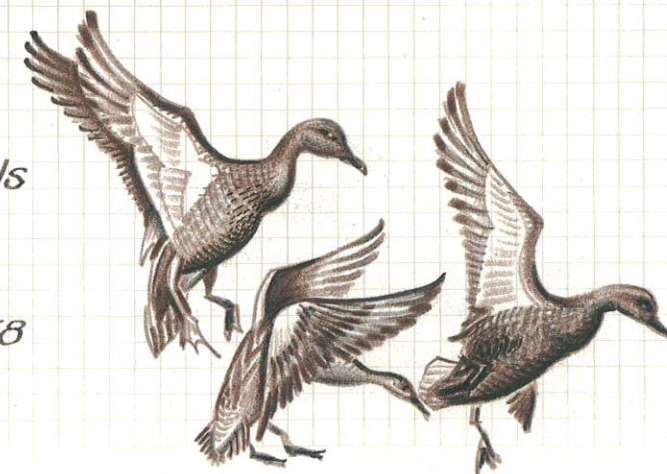


Cinnamon Teal Ducks

*Designed by Leonard E. Buckley
from an original drawing by
Maynard Reece*



*Vignette engraved by
Edward R. Felter,
lettering and numerals
by Robert G. Culin
Plates: 171586, 7
Quantity sold: 2,426,058*

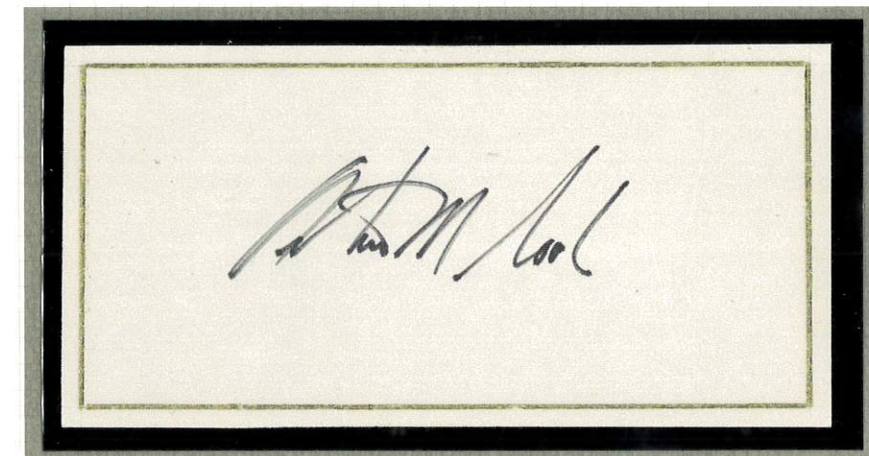


Issue of 1972

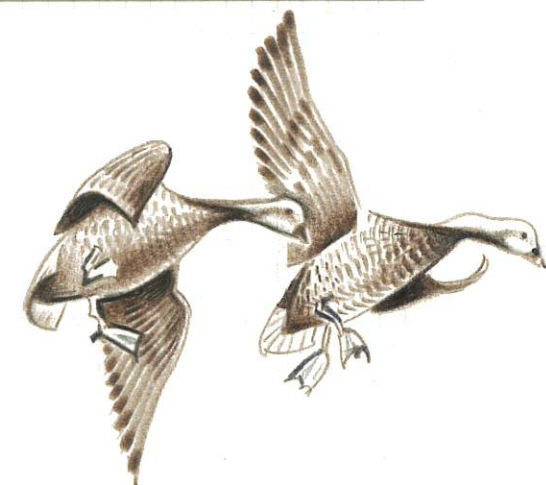


Emperor Geese

*Designed by Leonard E. Buckley
from an original drawing by
Arthur M. Cook*



*Vignette engraved by
Joseph S. Cramer,
lettering and numerals
by Howard F. Sharpless
Plates: 171862, 64
Quantity sold: 2,179,628*



Issue of 1973

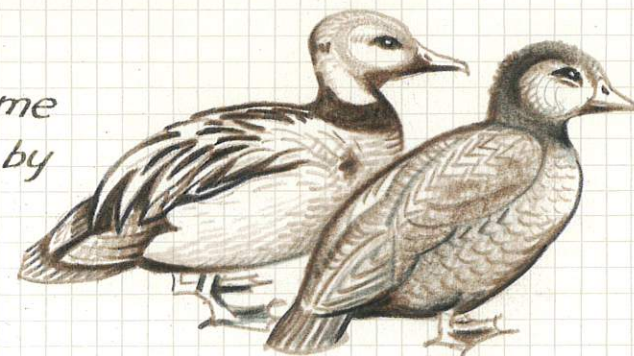


Steller's Eider Ducks

*Designed by Ronald C. Sharpe
from an original drawing by
Lee LeBlanc*



*Vignette engraved by
Arthur W. Dintaman, frame
lettering and numerals by
James L. Goodbody
Plates: 172101, 2
Quantity sold: 2,113,594*

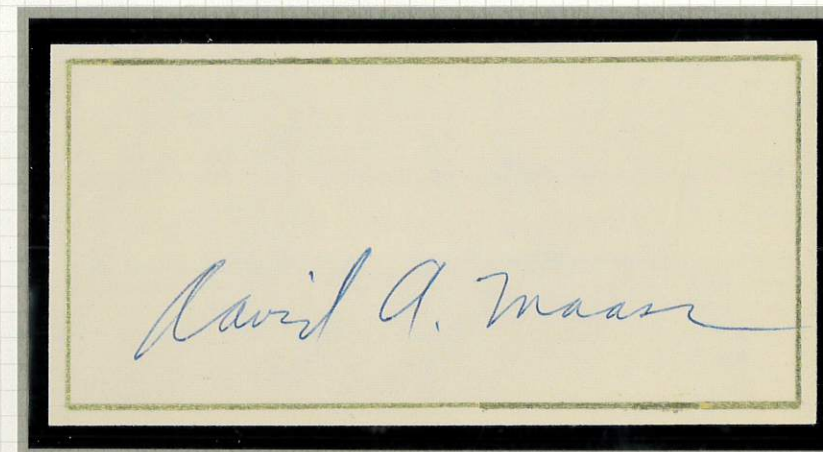


Issue of 1974



Wood Ducks

*Designed by Frank J. Waslick
from an original drawing by
David A. Maass*



*Vignette engraved by
Joseph S. Cramer,
lettering and numerals
by James L. Goodbody.
Plates: 172500, 05
Quantity sold: 2,190,268*

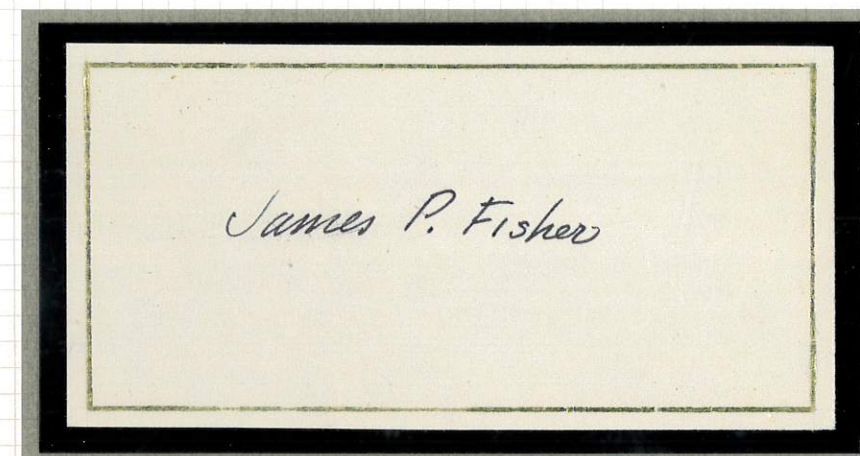


Issue of 1975



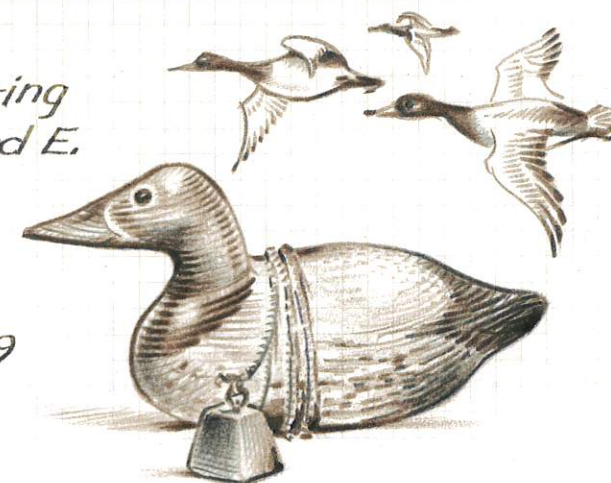
Canvasback Ducks with Decoy

Designed by V. Jack Ruther
from an original drawing by
James L. Fisher



*Vignette engraved by
Joseph S. Cramer, lettering
and numerals by Leonard E.
Buckley and Robert G.
Culin, Sr.*

*Plates: 172775, 77
Quantity sold: 2,218,589*

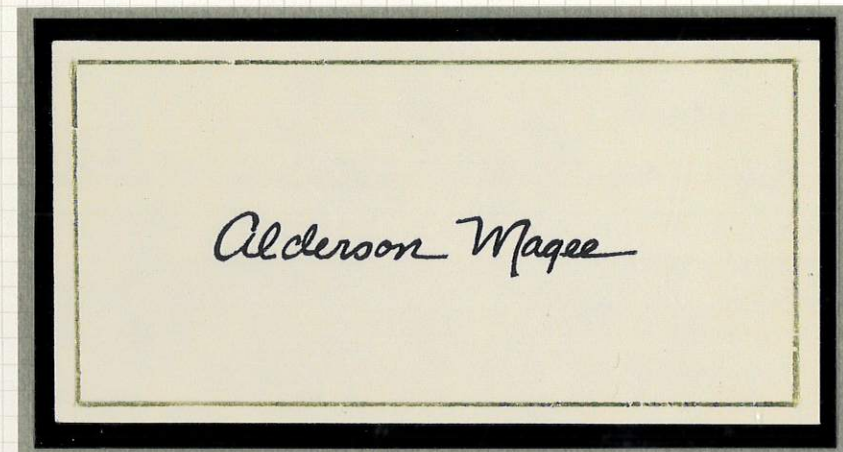


Issue of 1976

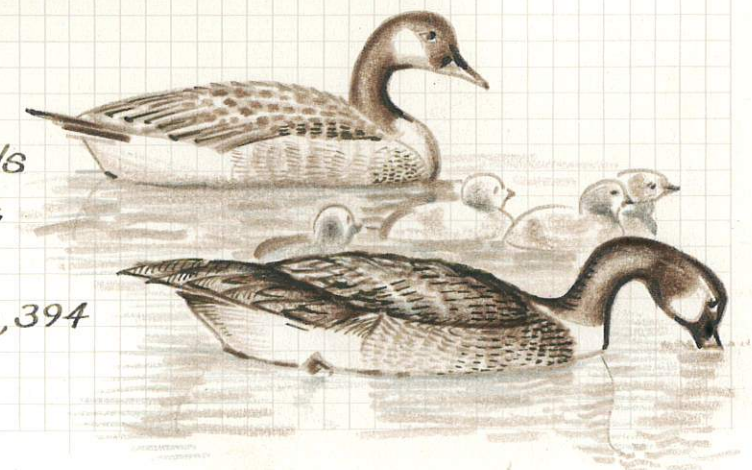


Canada Geese

*Designed by Peter Cocci
from an original drawing by
Alderson Magee*



*Vignette engraved by
Thomas R. Hipschin
lettering and numerals
by Robert G. Culin, Sr.
Plates: 173029, 30
Quantity sold: 2,248,394*

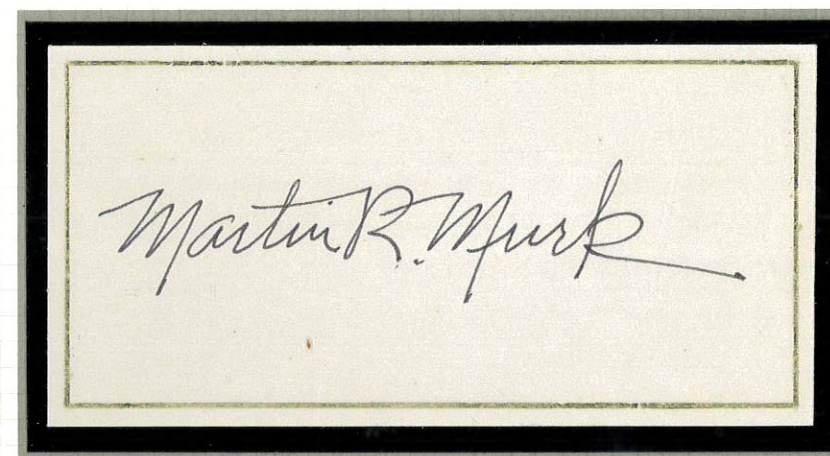


Issue of 1977

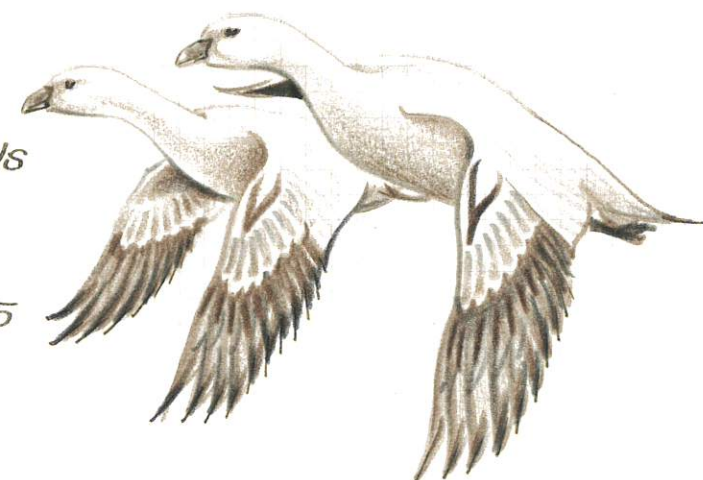


Ross' Geese

Designed by
Martin R. Murk
from his own original drawing



*Vignette engraved by
John S. Wallace,
lettering and numerals
by Albert Saavedra.
Plates : 173205, 06
Quantity sold : 2,180,625*



Issue of 1978

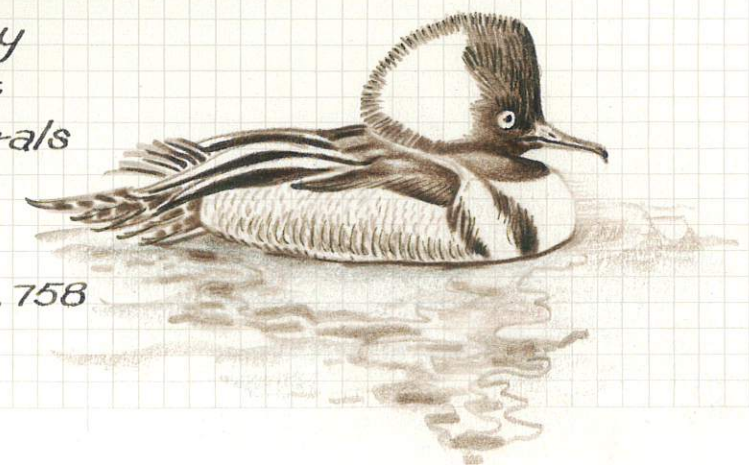


Hooded Mergansers

*Designed by Clarence Holbert
from an original drawing by
Albert E. Gilbert*

*To Randy Smith
with best regards,
Albert Earl Gilbert*

*Vignette engraved by
John S. Wallace, Jr.
lettering and numerals
by John C. Masure
Plates: 173331, 33
Quantity sold: 2,196,758*

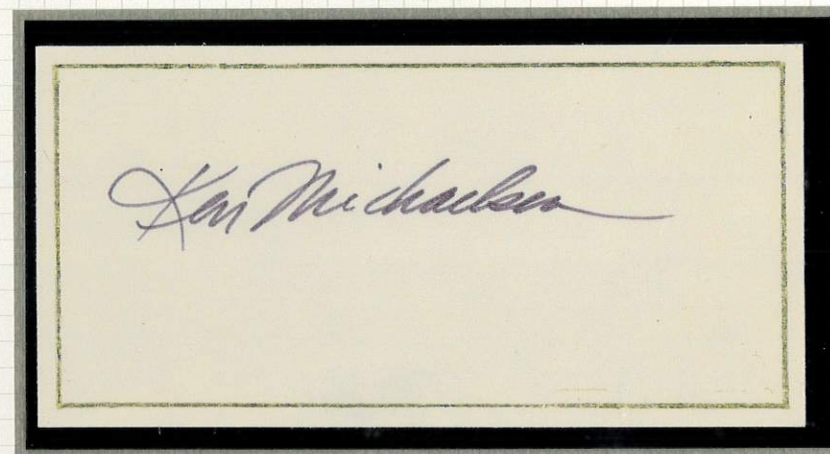


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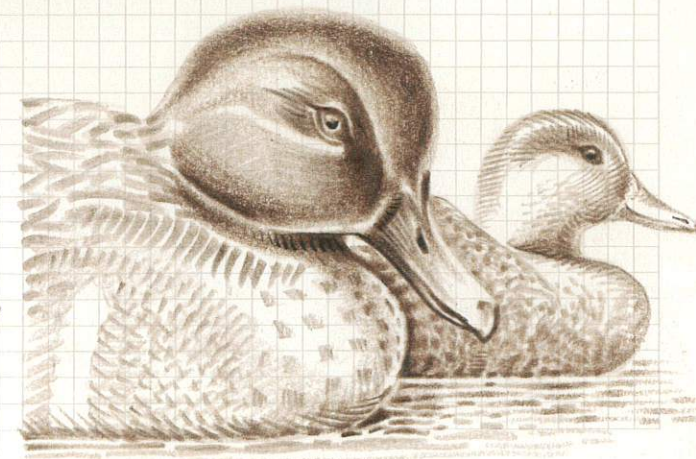


Green-Winged Teal Ducks

Designed by Peter Cocci
from an original drawing by
Ken Michaelsen



Vignette engraved by
John S. Wallace, frame
lettering and numerals
by Albert Saavedra.
Plates: 173422, 23
Quantity sold: 2,209,572

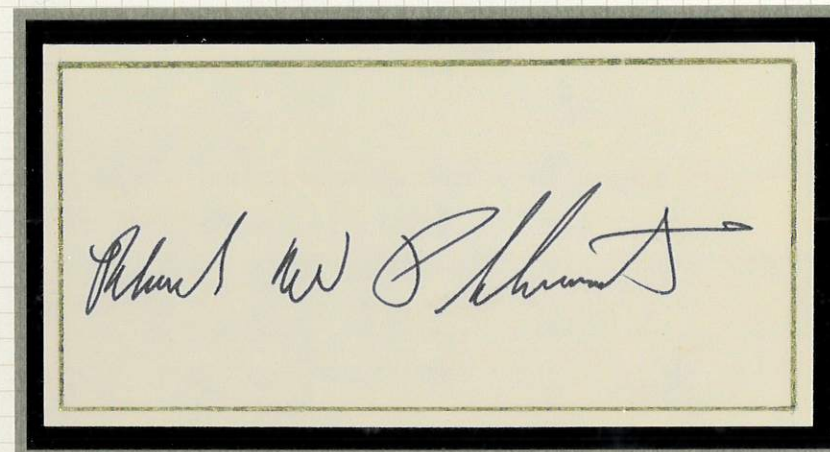


Issue of 1980

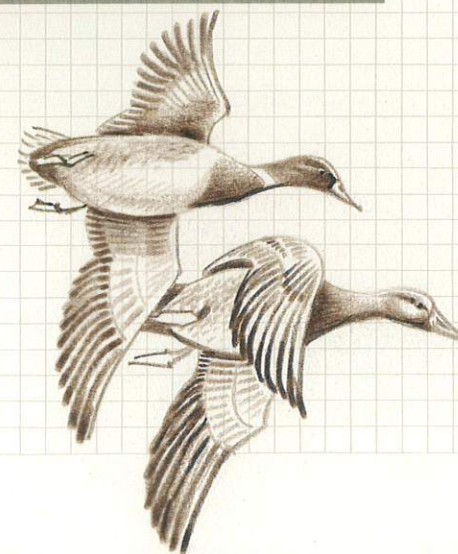


Mallard Ducks

*Designed by V. Jack Ruther
from an original drawing by
Richard W. Plasschaert*



*Vignette engraved by
T.R. Hipschen & J. Ruthven,
lettering and numerals
by Albert Saavedra
Plates: 173492, 93
Quantity sold: 2,103,021*

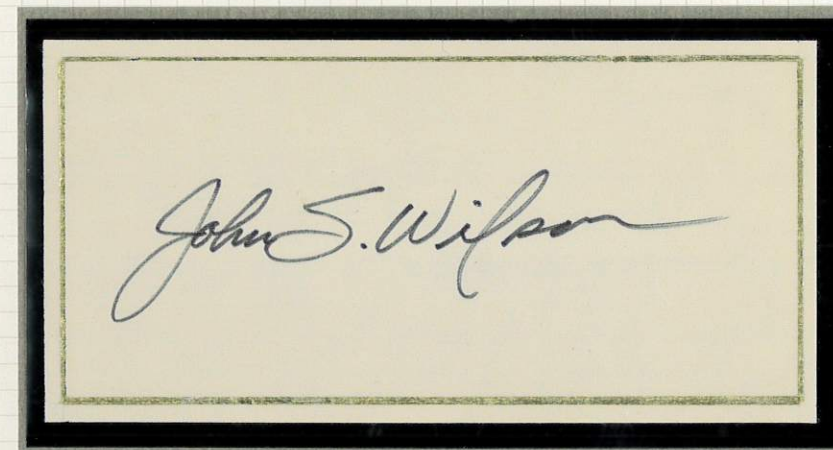


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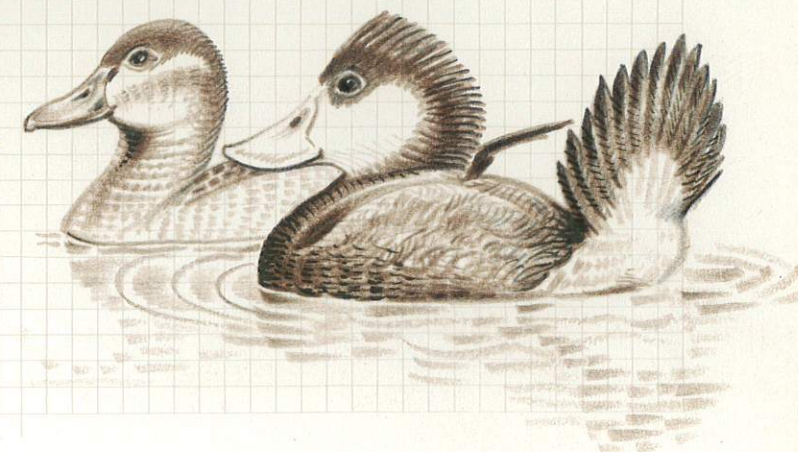


Ruddy Ducks

*Designed by Frank J. Waslick
from an original drawing by
John S. Wilson*



*Vignette engraved by
John S. Wallace, Jr.
lettering and numerals
by Robert G. Culin, Sr.
Plates: 173572, 73
Quantity sold: 1,940,578*

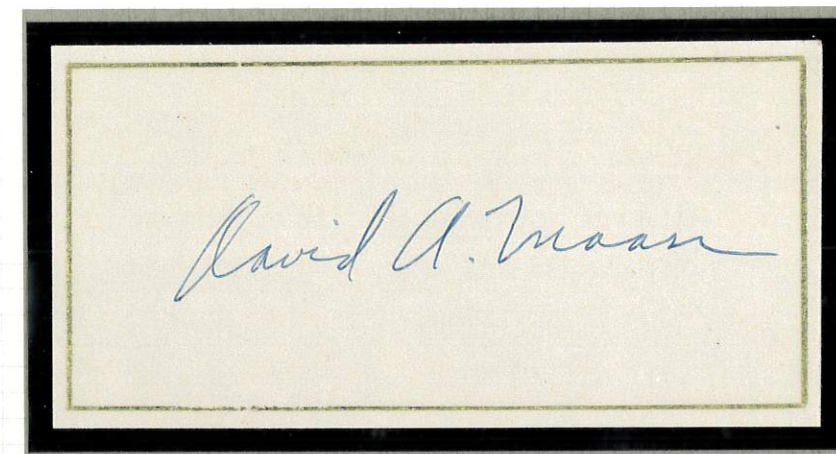


Issue of 1982

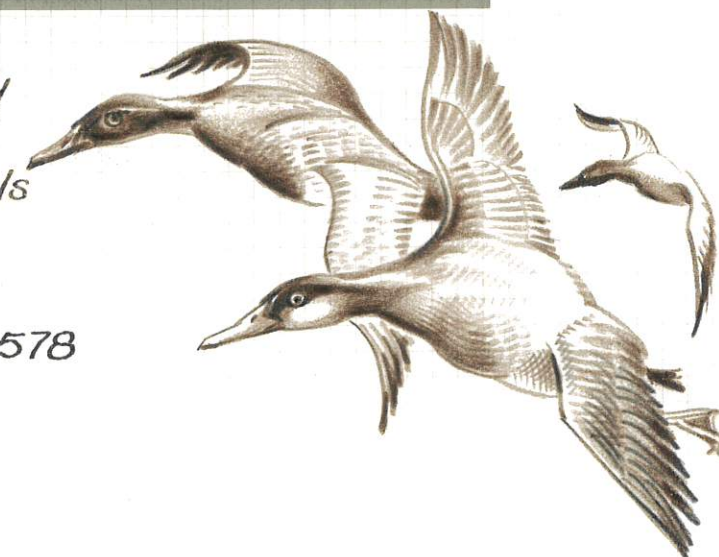


Canvasback Ducks

*Designed by Ronald C. Sharpe
from an original drawing by
David A. Maass*



*Vignette engraved by
John S. Wallace, Jr.
lettering and numerals
by Robert G. Culin, Sr.
Plates: 173669, 72
Quantity sold: 1,940,578*



Issue of 1983

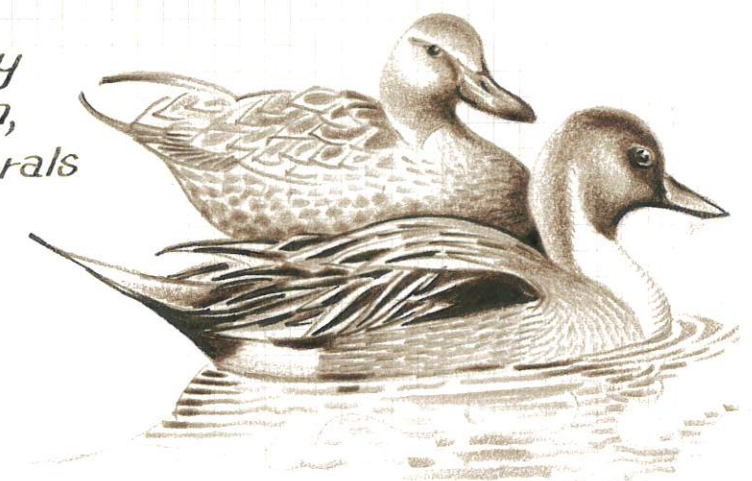


Pintail Ducks

*Designed by Clarence Holbert
from an original drawing by
Phil V. Scholer*



*Vignette engraved by
Kenneth Kipperman,
lettering and numerals
by Robert G. Culin
Plates: 173765, 67
Quantity sold:*

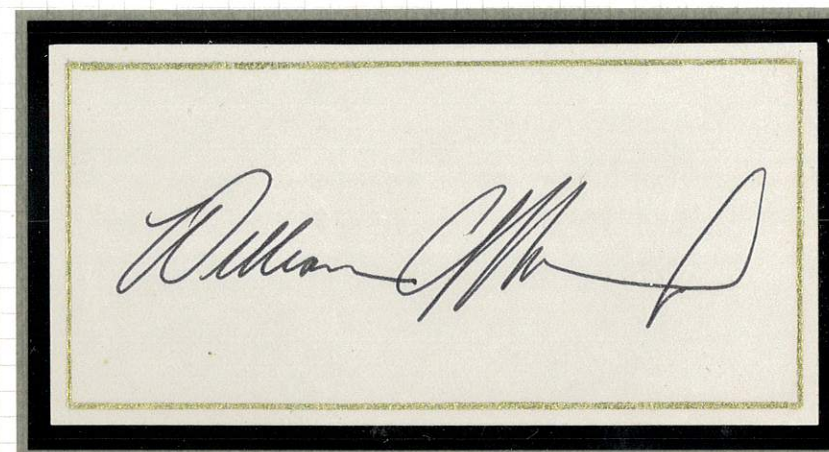


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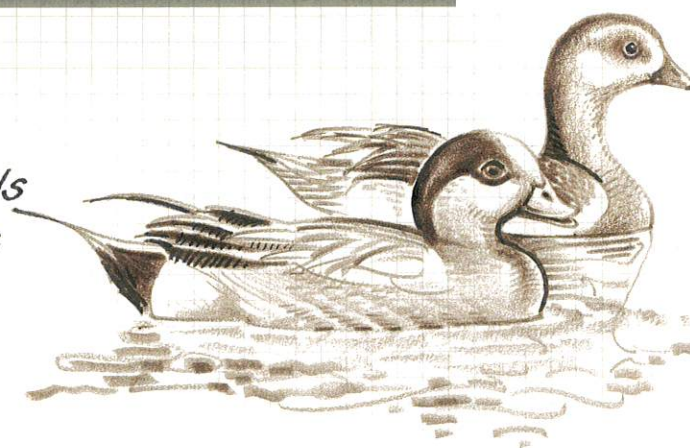


American Wigeon Ducks

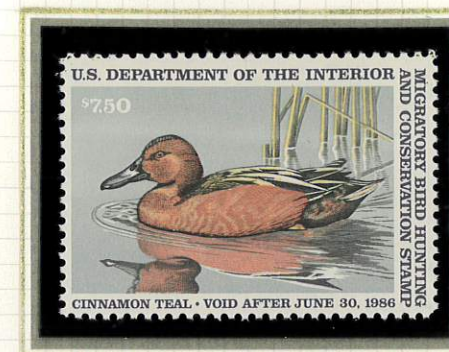
*Design derived from an
original water color painting by
William C. Morris*



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John S. Wallace
lettering and numerals
by Robert G. Culin, Sr.
Plates 66957-63,
173871-4
Quantity sold:*

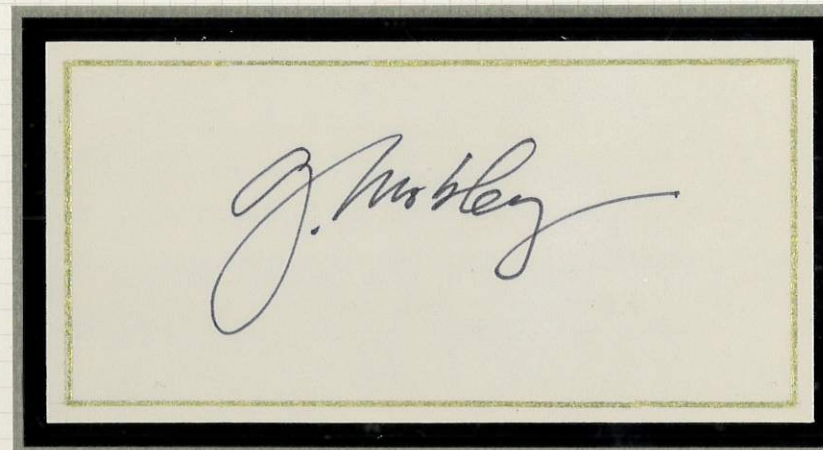


Issue of 1985



Cinnamon Teal

*Design derived from an
original water color painting by
Gerald Mobley*



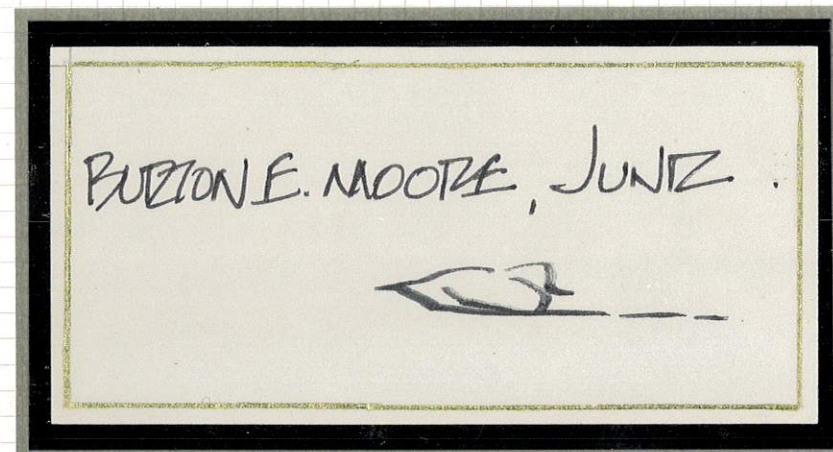
*Vignette and numerals
engraved by
John S. Wallace
Plates: 65442-44, 49
174343, 50
Quantity sold:*



Issue of 1986



Fulvous Whistling Duck
Design derived from an
original acrylic painting by
Burton E. Moore, Jr.



Vignette engraved by
John S. Wallace
lettering and numerals
by Gary Slaght
Plates: 65831-33, 37, 38
176844, 45
Quantity sold:

