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ALASKA - YUKON-PACIFIC EXPOSITION-GROUND BREAKING CEREMONIES,  
GOVERNOR HOBBS OF ALASKA WITH THE PICK, PRES. CHILDERS WITH THE SHOVEL.

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Ends Eye View of The Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition  
Grounds, Seattle, Wn. 1909.



Postcard Mute Park

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ALASKA YUKON

Alaska Yukon  
Pacific Exposition  
SEATTLE, WASH.

by 5-10





On June 1, 1907, Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition groundbreaking ceremonies were held at the south end of the University of Washington campus. More than 15,000 Seattleites were in attendance. Similar to a World's Fair, the exposition was mandated by the Washington State Legislature to display the resources, products, and advantages of Washington and the region. One hundred acres of old-growth Doug-firs were cut down to make way for the fairgrounds.

Flush with pride over the recent growth of their city, Seattle boosters determined that hosting a world's fair would be the best way to show off the region's wealth, resources, and advantages. A 260-acre portion of the University of Washington campus was chosen for the site due to its proximity to downtown, and its breathtaking views of the Cascades, the Olympics, and Lake Washington. The University would gain some new buildings and landscaped grounds--a bonus that greatly outweighed complaints that liquor would not be allowed at the fair, since it was prohibited on campus.

The Exposition celebrated the 12 years of prosperity since the 1897 Alaska Gold Rush. The fair opened on June 1, 1909, and ran for 138 days. More than three million visitors attended, contributing significantly to Seattle's economic development. First day attendance was 79,976 persons. Adults paid 50 cents and children paid 25 cents for admittance.



Alaska Yukon Pacific  
Exhibition Centennial  
1909-2009



Sno-King Stamp Show Sta.  
February 15, 2009  
Everett WA 98201





## 1909 TWO CENT ALASKA-YUKON EXPOSITION ISSUE WILLIAM HENRY SEWARD

This exhibit shows proofs, stamps, covers and post cards. Postal rates shown by domestic, foreign, registered and special delivery. Perforated stamp predominates. Imperfs shown by mint stamps and covers. Private perfs mint only. A 1937 combination (Alaska-Seward stamps) first day cover ends exhibit. Difficulty of acquisition items have light blue matting.

### HIGHLIGHTS:

#### Proof:

From President  
Roosevelt Collection

#### First day covers:

Auburn, NY  
Seattle, Expo Sta.  
Seattle, Expo Publicity  
Winchester, Mass.  
Only known RPO (Vt.)

#### Mail:

Seward and Treadwell  
Alaska

#### Foreign Destination:

Congo and Austro-  
Hungarian Empire.

#### Imperforate:

Blocks & private perfs.  
Registered mail



Early 1909 publicity cancellation and private advertising cachet.



First day cover June 1, 1909. Postmarked Auburn, N.Y.  
5 PM. Flag cancellation. Sent on Auburn-Syracuse  
Railroad. Backstamped Syracuse, N.Y. 8 PM.





DIVISION OF STAMPS

Post Office Department  
THIRD ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL  
Washington

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO

DS 37  
DS 81

June 28 1909

Mr. Albert O. Tschudin,  
126 Market St.,  
Paterson, N. J.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of June 24, you are advised that there is but one denomination of Alaska-Yukon-Pacific commemorative postage stamp, two-cent, described in the inclosed circular. If this stamp is not on sale at the Paterson postoffice, the Postmaster will make requisition for a supply at your request. A copy of this letter will be sent him for his information and guidance.

Respectfully,

*J*

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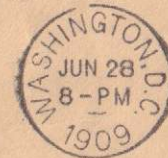
*A. X. Tschudin*  
Third Assistant Postmaster General.

lot No

975.00



POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT,  
THIRD ASSISTANT POSTMASTER-GENERAL,  
DIVISION OF STAMPS,  
WASHINGTON, D. C.  
OFFICIAL BUSINESS.  
RETURN AFTER 5 DAYS.



PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID  
PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$300.

STATION G



Mr. Albert O. Tschudin,

126 Market St.,

Paterson, N. J.

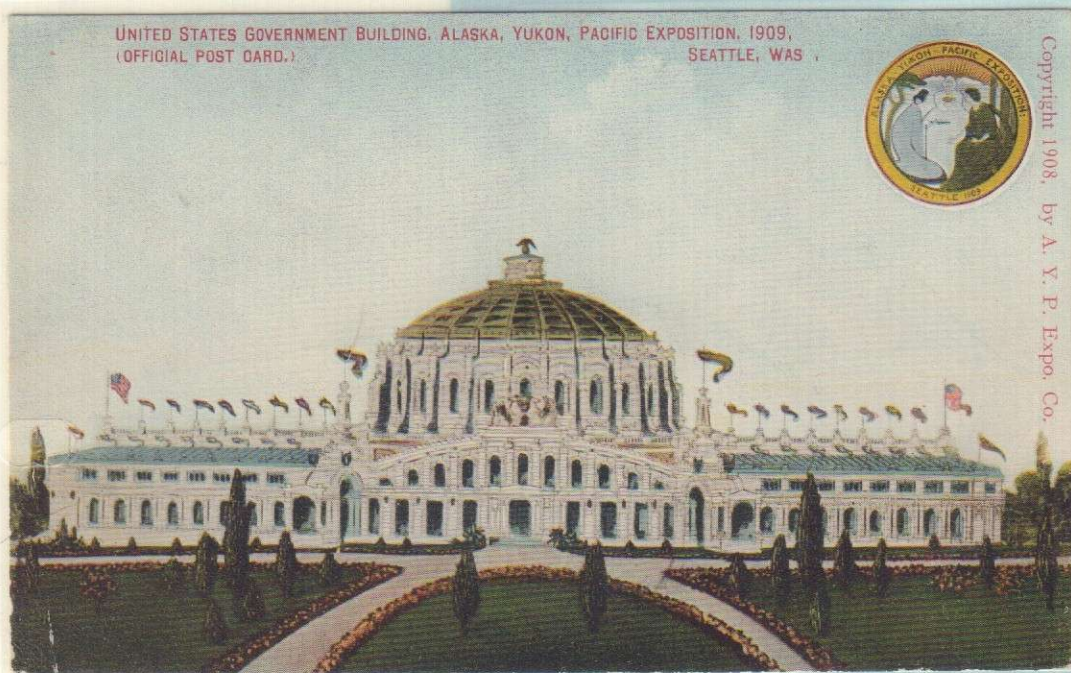
4th Ave.,

Riverside



FIRST DAYS  
June 1, 1909

Only 7 known from expo  
post office. All addressed  
to Lindsley family.



Exposition post office in  
United States Government  
Building.

Eleven pieces of mail known  
with publicity cancellation  
opening day of fair.







# EARLY USAGES

- a. June 2, 1909
- b. June 4, 1909
- c. June 5, 1909



a. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania June 2, 1909. Stamps sold here on June 1.

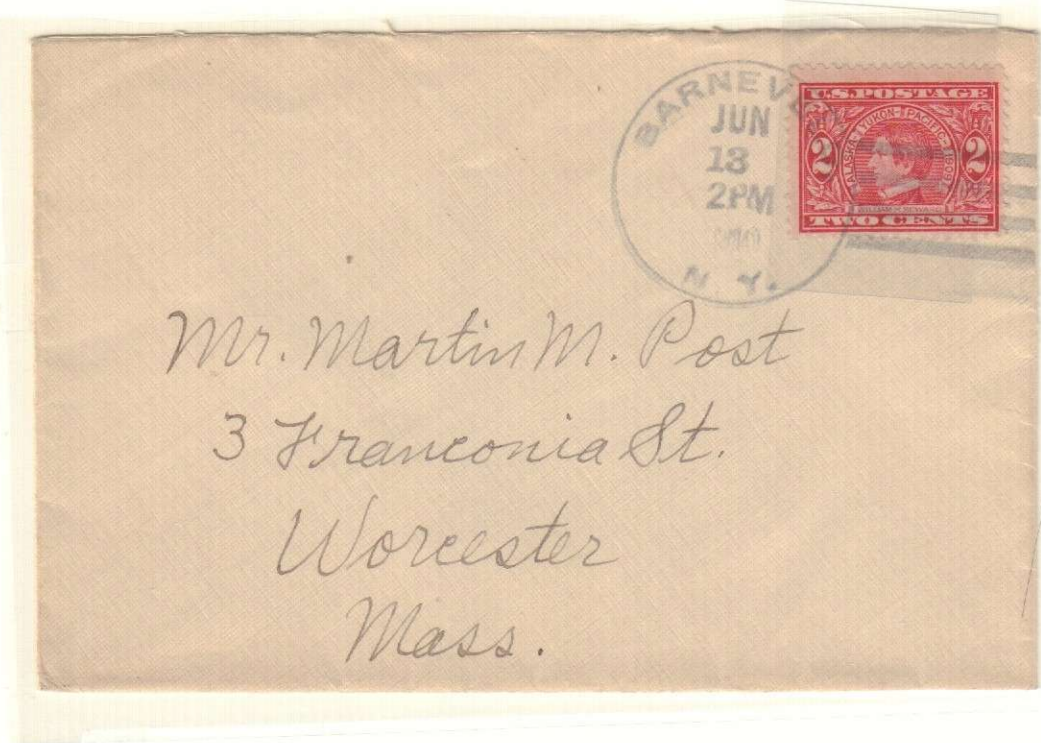


b. Woonsocket, Rhode Island June 4, 1909. Stamps sold here on June 1.



c. Postcard mailed June 5, 1909  
Lewiston, Maine to New Zealand.



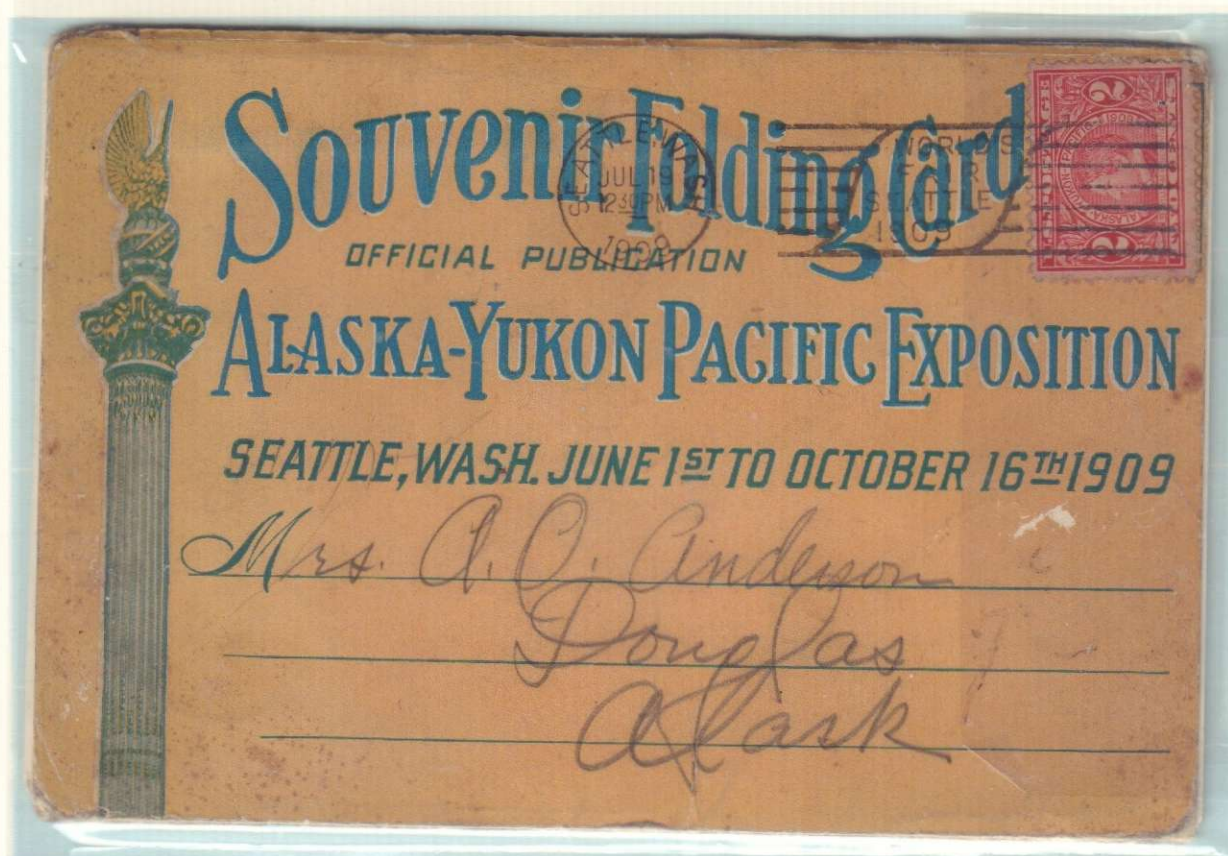


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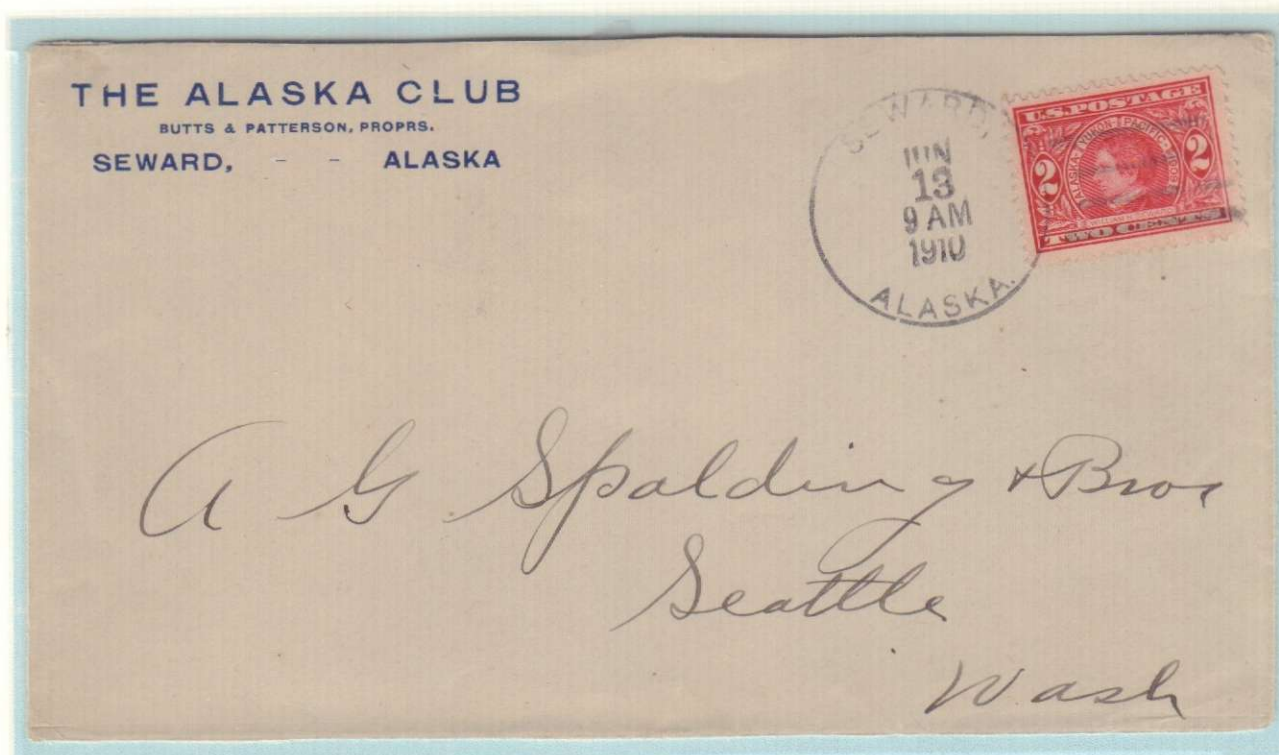


MAIL TO AND FROM ALASKA

- a. Seattle to Douglas 1909
- b. Seward to Seattle 1910



- a. Souvenir packet mailed July 1. From husband to wife. Home address reverse.



- b. Mailed from Seward, Alaska. The Alaska Club a fraternal men's place for businessmen.



U.S. POSSESSIONS USAGE 1909

- a. Hawaii
- b. Puerto Rico

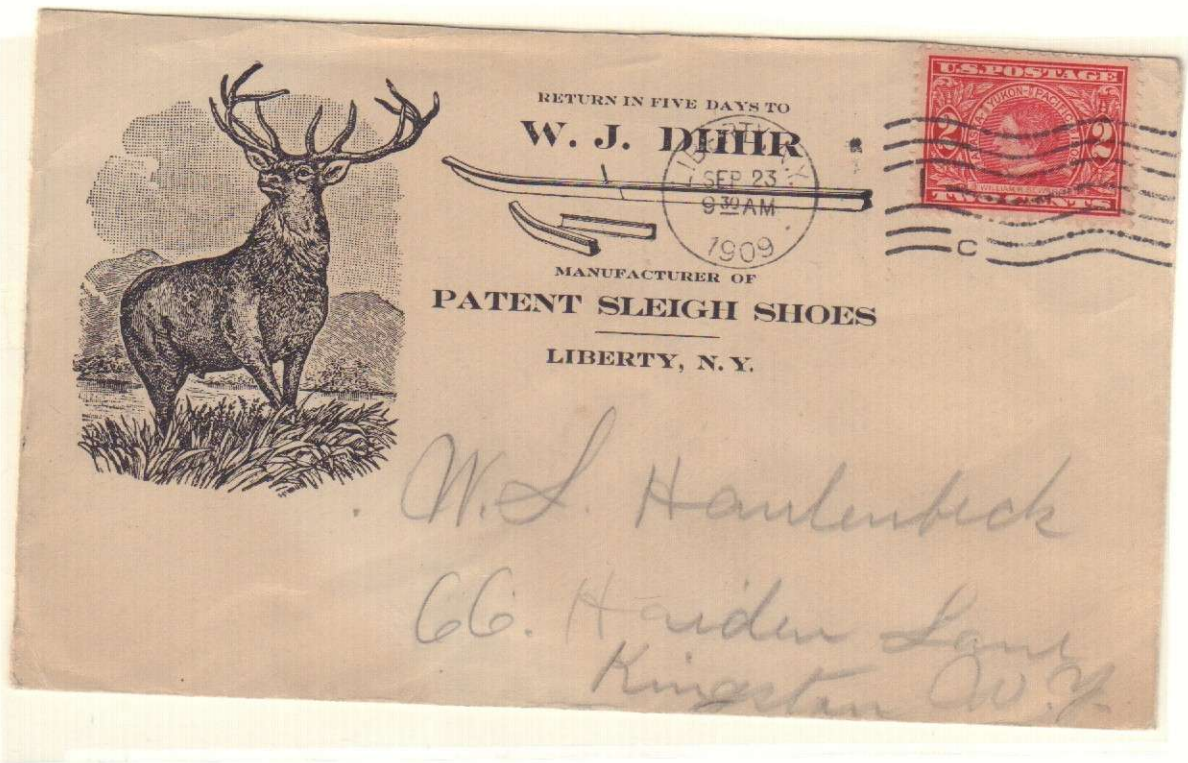


a. From one Hawaiian town to another:  
Kekaha to Waimea



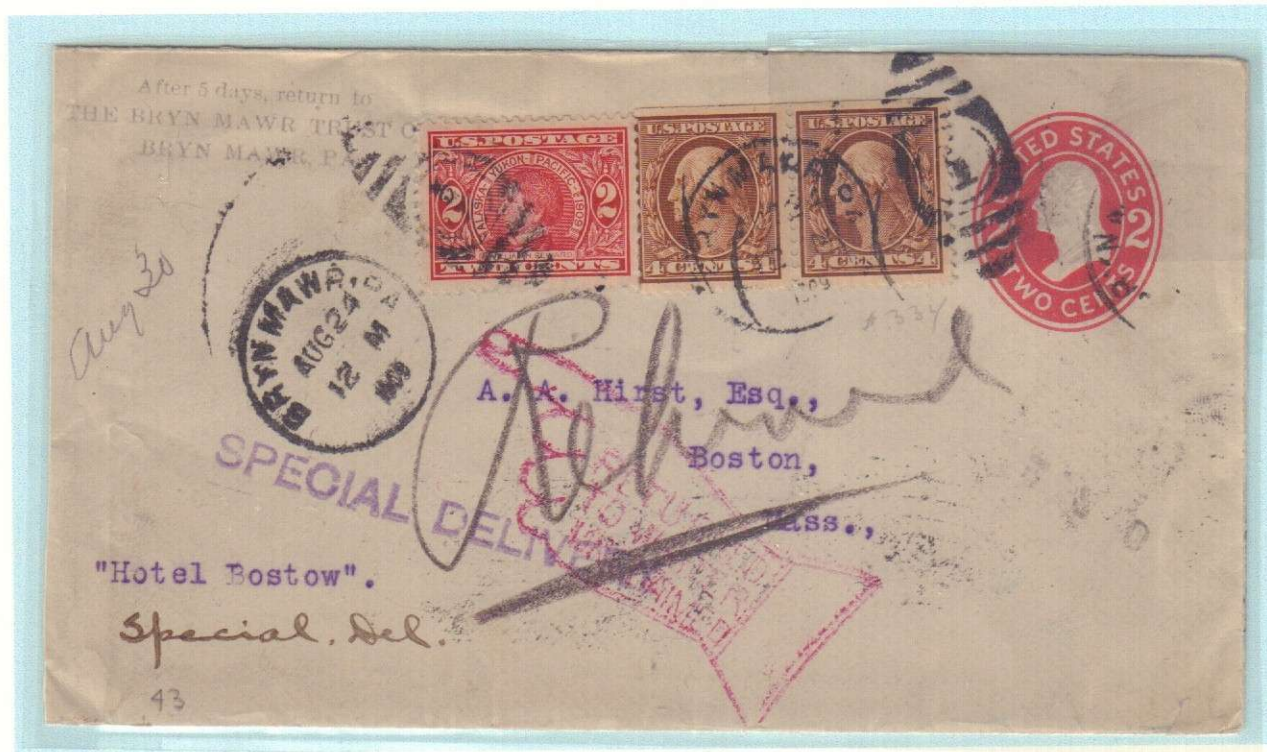
b. Mailed from Saint Sebastian, Puerto  
Rico to Caracas, Venezuela







SPECIAL DELIVERY 1909



Undelivered Mail. Returned to recipient Bryn Mawr, Pa. September 2.

Multiple postage special delivery and two cent Seward.

Envelope mailed by Bryn Mawr Trust Co. Postmarked August 24, 1909

Inscription: "no such hotel in central office unable to locate. 8-25-09 C.A. Grant"





# FOREIGN DESTINATIONS

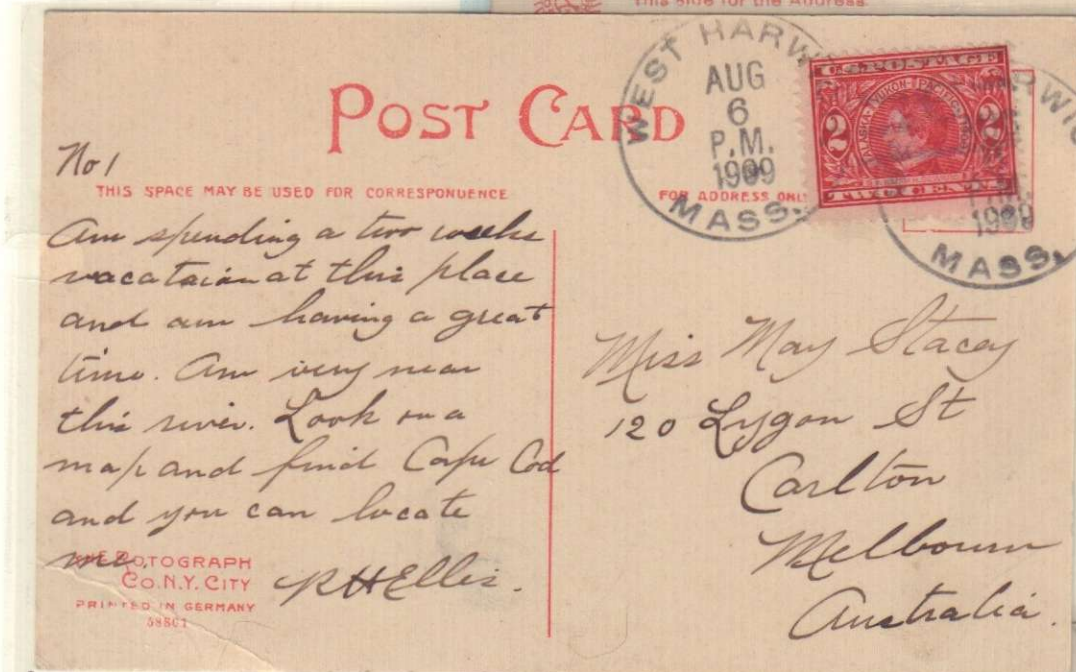
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From Woodhaven, N.Y.  
July. Arrived Banana,  
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- Germany
- Denmark



Usage on Seward, Alaska post card. Town had stamps for sale. Unlikely Treadwell sold this issue.



b. Port Angeles, Washington mailing October 11 to Copenhagen Denmark.







FOREIGN DESTINATIONS: (misc; postage)

- a. Germany
- b. Austro-Hungarian Empire



- a. Two cents Philadelphia to New York. Registration ten cents and two cents German steamship rate. Total fourteen cents.



- b. Multi franked cover to Ljubljani. (now capital of Slovenia). In 1910 part of Austro-Hungarian Empire. Correct postage if sent registered mail; it was not.



FOREIGN DESTINATIONS:

- a. Sweden
- b. Finland



- a. A pair of two cent Seward and one cent definitive stamps paid correct letter rate to Sweden.



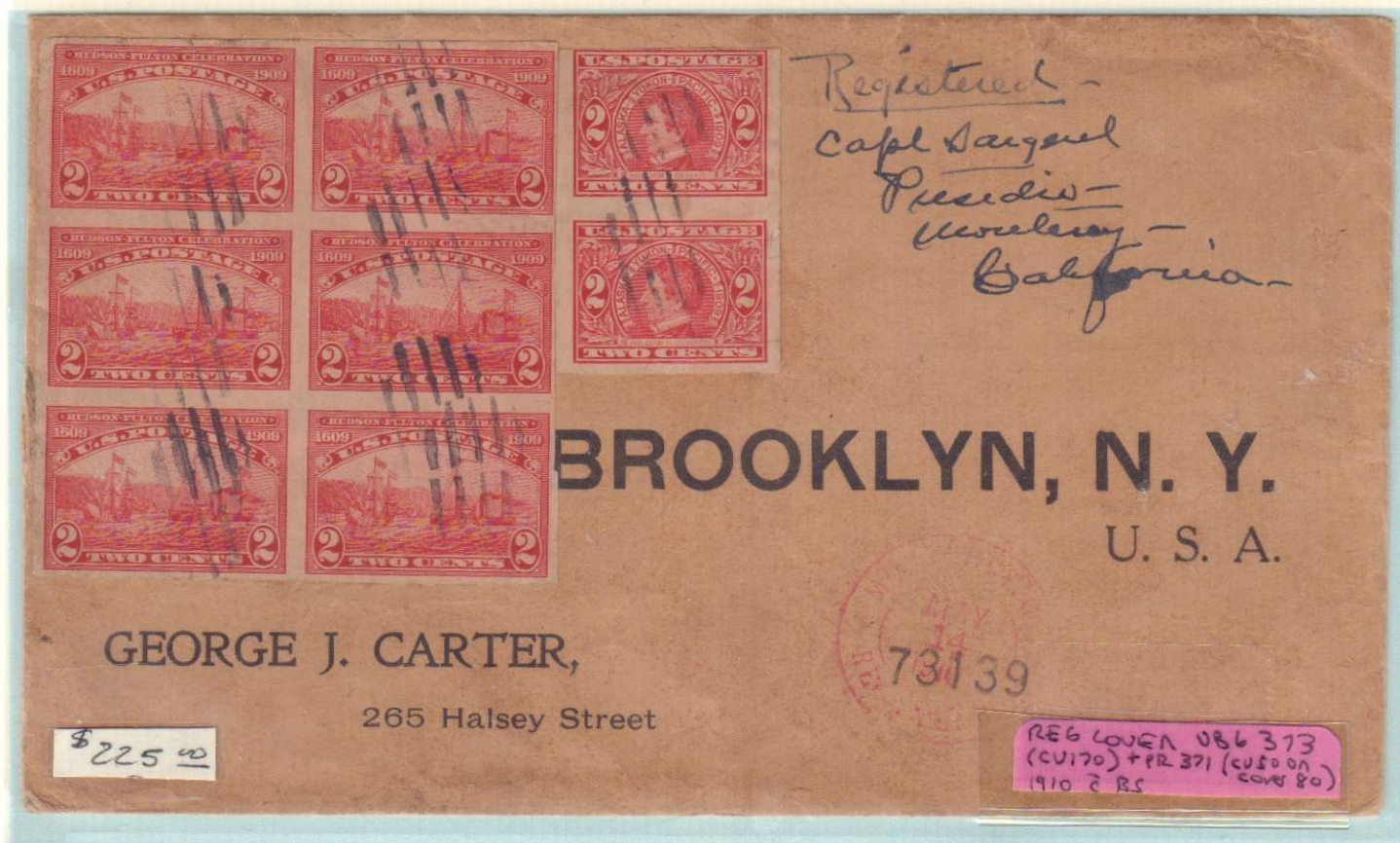
- b. Multi stamps used on wrapper to Finland. Country had UPU membership under Russia at time.



IMPERF ON COVERS



Registration and postage paid combination blocks of one cent stamps and pair Alaska-Yukon. Backstamped Wash. D.C. Jan. 31 1911 and Winona, Minnesota February 2, 1911



Heavy registered envelope required sixteen cents postage. Brooklyn, N.Y., May 21, 1910 backstamp reverse.



From  
G. A. Martin  
General Delivery  
Washington, D. C.

80.00

PAID RECEIPT DEMANDED

REGISTERED  
4522

Miss Carrie S. Martin  
Hinton,  
Rockingham Co.,  
Virginia.



C. H. MEKEEL  
R. F. D. 29 St. Louis, Mo.



Mr. C. E. Nickles,  
122 Florida Ave.,  
Washington, D. C.

80.00



# IMPERF & PERFORATED COVERS

- a. Imperf registered cover
- b. Perf 1909 Alaska-Yukon stamp on combo fdc.



- a. Registration and postage (ten cents plus two cents) paid postal rate from St. Louis (April 4, 1912) and received April 6, 1912 Cambridge, Mass (backstamps).



- b. An early combination first day cover of stamps used decades apart (1909 Seward plus 1937 Alaska territorial issue). The FIRST DAY OF ISSUE hand cancel not used until 1940.



Recd 24th Oct  
Mr Fisher



Auburn Oct. 22d. 1849.

My Dear Sir,

I desire to have the privilege of conferring with you before an appointment is made for Glasgow - I am struggling with my best efforts to get to Washington -

Faithfully & respectfully,

Your friend & servant,

William H. Seward

The Honorable

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Secretary of State

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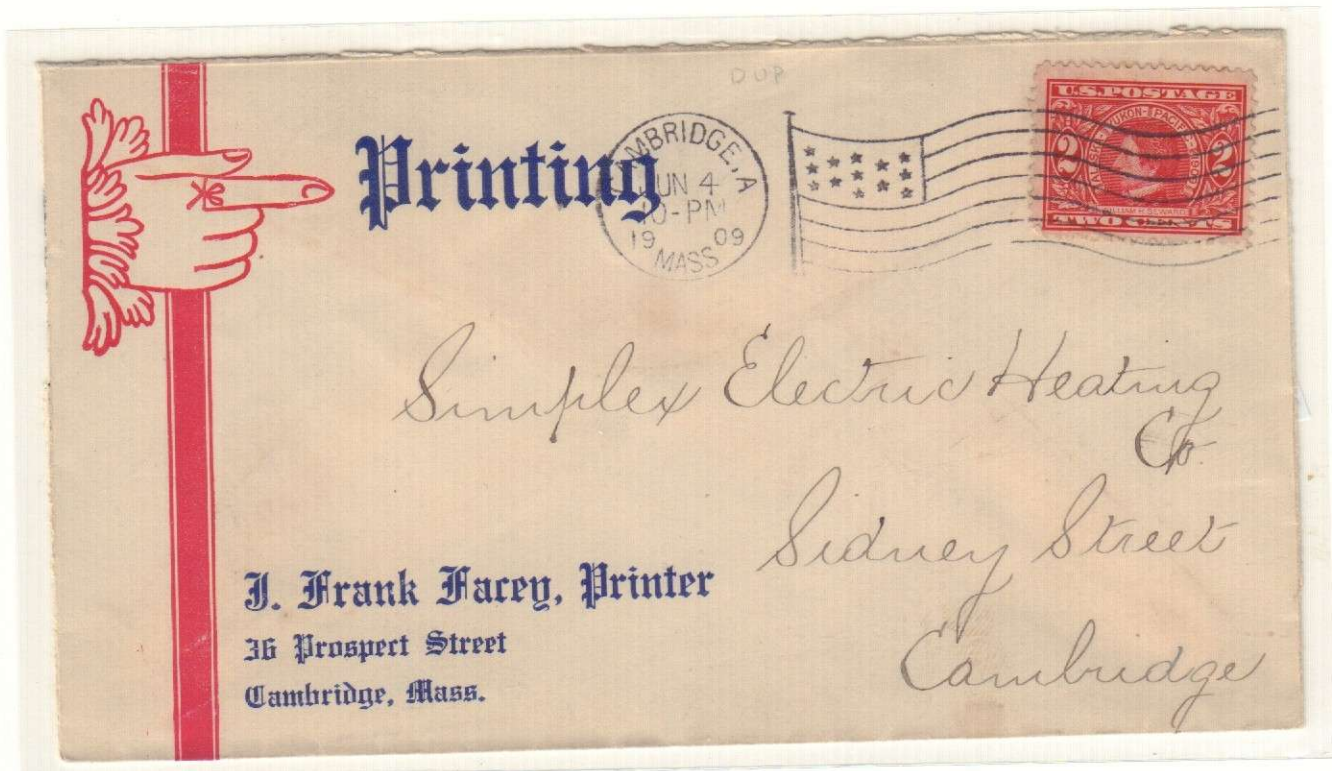
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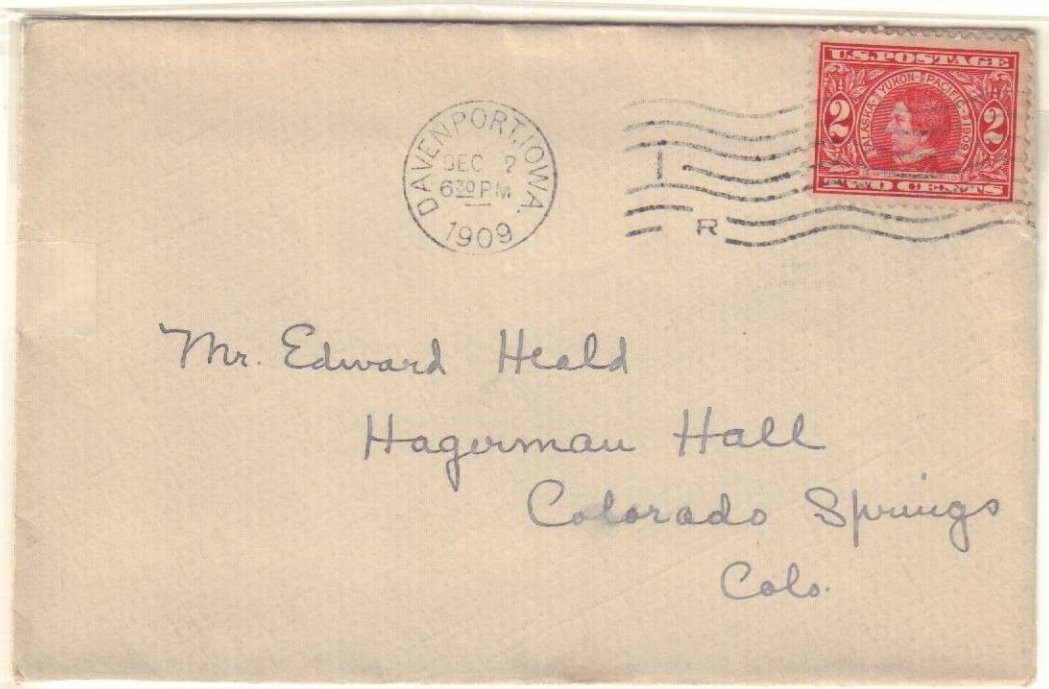
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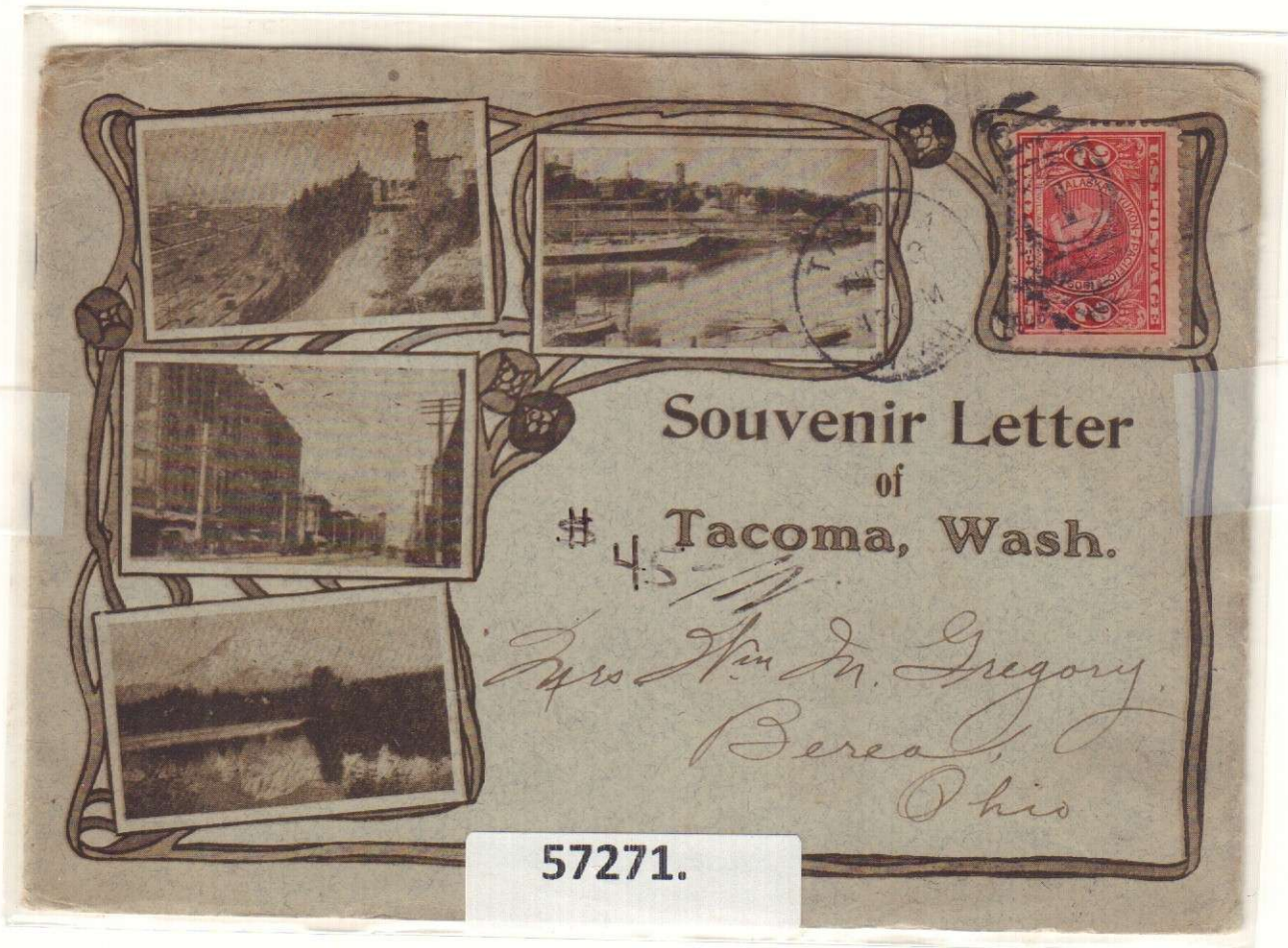












Souvenir Letter  
of

# 45 ~~11~~ Tacoma, Wash.

Mrs. M. M. Gregory  
Berea,  
Ohio

57271.



Department of State  
Washington, Jan'y 6 1863

Mr. H. Whitmore Esq.  
Boston.

Mass.

Sir:-

I am directed by the Secretary of State to acknowledge the receipt of your interesting communication of the 29<sup>th</sup> ultimo, with its enclosure, conveying additional and important information concerning the island of Madagascar, and at the same time to express to you the thanks of the Department.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
Your obedient servant,

F. W. Leward  
Assistant Secretary.





Miss Frances Moran  
703 Capp Street  
San Francisco  
Cal.



First Day of Issue



SEVEN-CENT Airmail Stamp  
honoring Alaska's official  
admission to Statehood  
Saturday, January 3, 1959

1867-1959

TOTEM PRESS CACHET — JUNEAU



ALASKA STATEHOOD • 1959

FIRST DAY OF ISSUE

1959-2009  
Happy Birthday  
**50 Alaska**

FIRST DAY OF ISSUE

**ALASKA**  
JANUARY 3, 2009 ANCHORAGE, AK 99501



**ALASKA  
150  
U.S.A.**

Seward's Day Station  
March 30, 2017  
Seward, AK 99664





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ERNEST R. ACKERMAN  
PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY



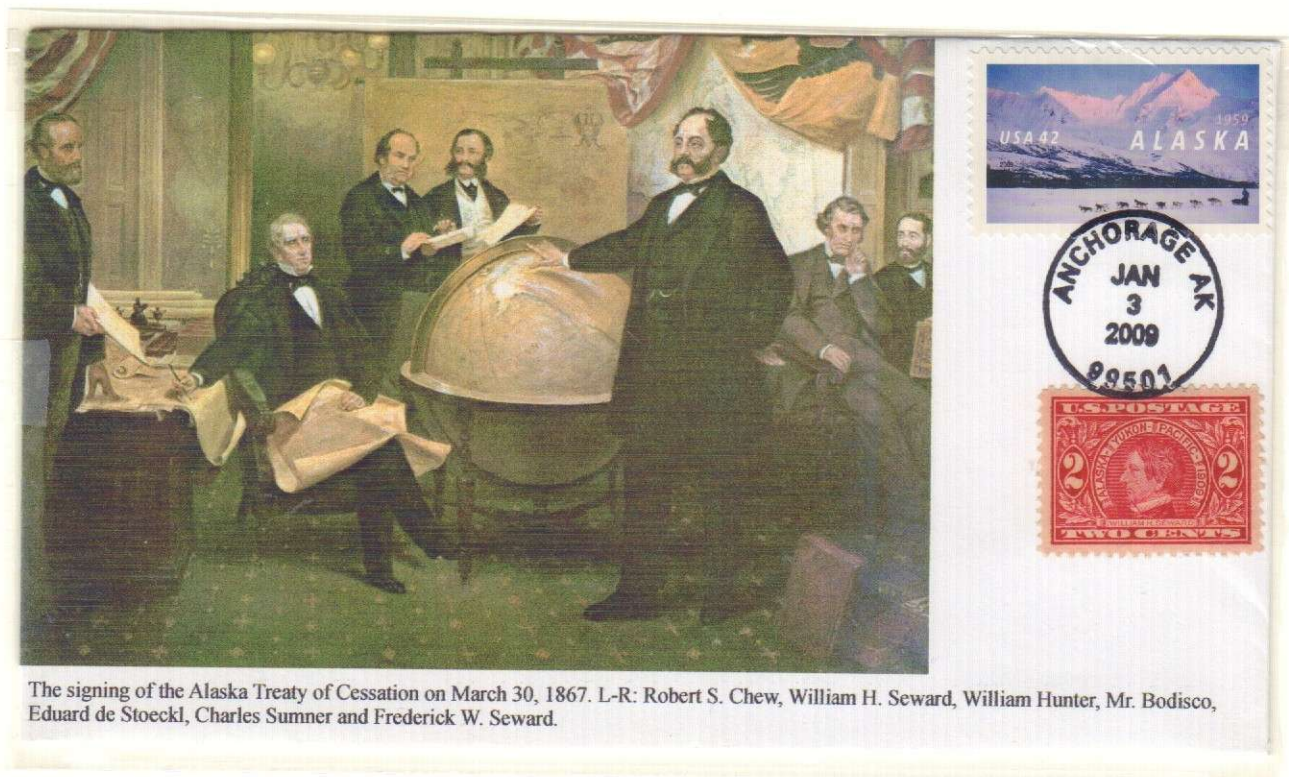
Mr. Henry Chapman,  
1348 Pine Street,  
Philadelphia,  
Pennsylvania.

334 So. Albany St.  
HUNTINGTON PARK, CALIF.



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Meriden, Conn.*





The signing of the Alaska Treaty of Cession on March 30, 1867. L-R: Robert S. Chew, William H. Seward, William Hunter, Mr. Bodisco, Eduard de Stoeckl, Charles Sumner and Frederick W. Seward.