

US Postage Dues: 1934 (Aug. 1) Underpaid picture postcard from **Ireland to USA** franked with 1d Map (Scott #66) tied by 'Longphort' postmark with Hexagonal 'T ID' handstamp applied alongside. Sent to Pasadena, California via New York with 'New York NY Due 2 Cents' opera-glass applied for double-penalty charge. 'Pasadena' arrival postmark (Aug. 18) with US 1¢ Postage Due (Scott #J79) with 'Pasadena' roller precancel applied. Retailed to Coronado, California with additional 1¢ Postage Due tied on arrival by 'Coronado Calif' dateless double-oval. \$ 75

Irish stamp with pre-affixing defect, otherwise an attractive and undoubtedly unique usage.



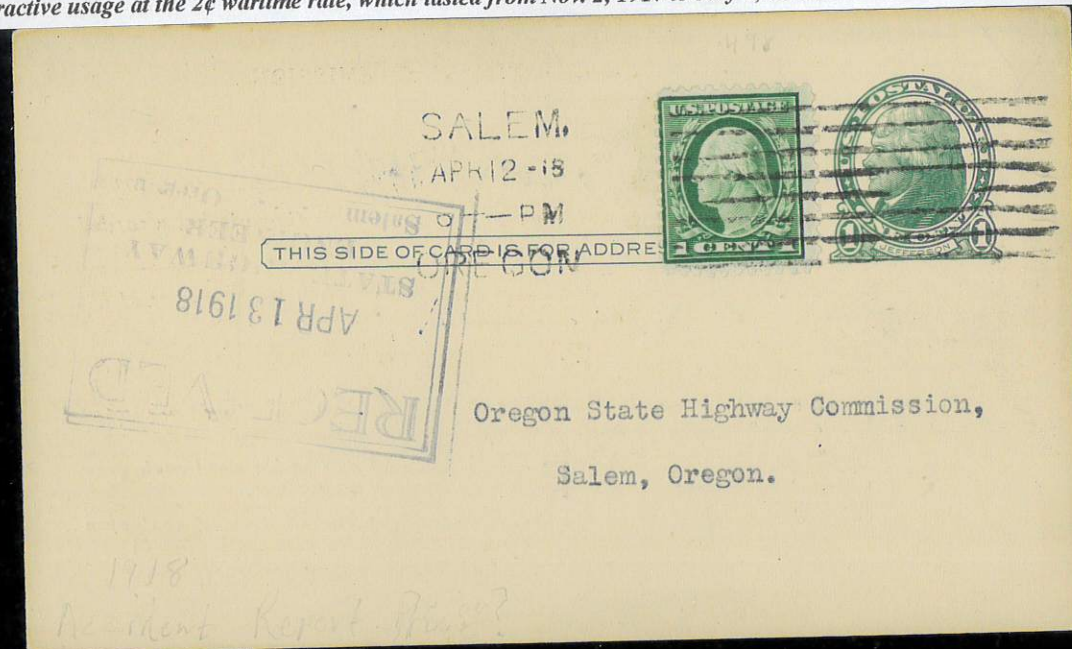
Philippines: 1946 (Dec. 9) Airmail cover from **Iwahig Prison Camp** to USA franked with 20c Victory overprint strip of five (Scott #492) tied by red-violet 'Iwahig Penal Colony, Palawan / Philippines' postmarks with additional strike alongside. \$150

Rare usage from the Philippines' largest prison, established in 1904 for the incarceration of prisoners during the Moro Rebellion, the camp is still operating today.



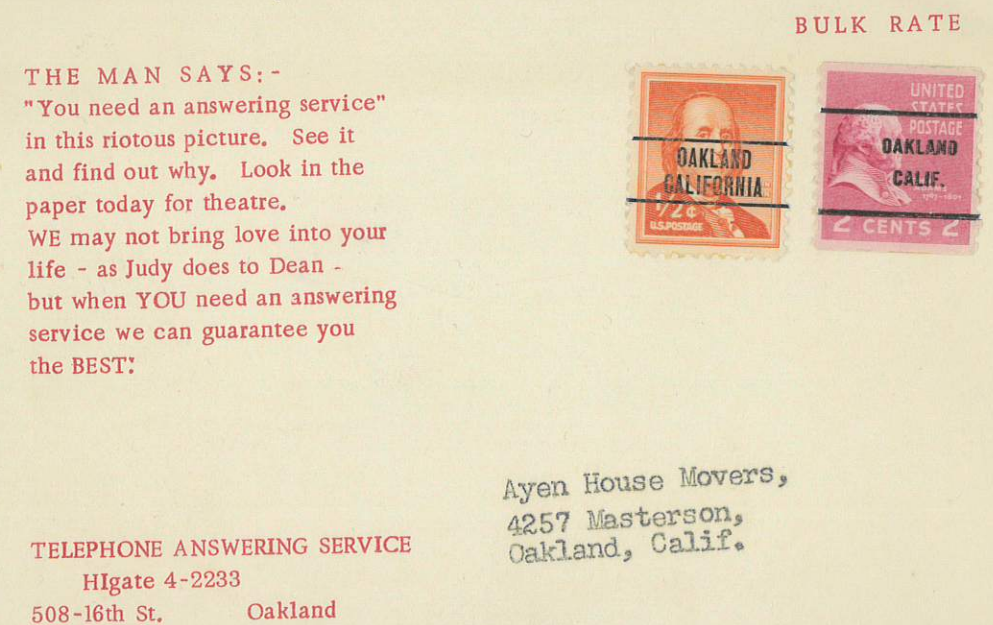
United States: 1918 (April 12) Redrawn 1¢ Jefferson Die II postal card (Scott #UX27D, cat. \$175) uprated with 1¢ Washington Perf 11 (Scott #498) tied by 'Salem Oregon' duplex postmark, used locally. \$175

Attractive usage at the 2¢ wartime rate, which lasted from Nov. 2, 1917 to July 1, 1919.



United States: 1960 'Bells Are Ringing' Telephone Answering Service Promotional Postcard used locally in Oakland, California franked with 1939 2¢ Adams coil, 1955 ½¢ Franklin (Scott #850, 1030) both with 'Oakland' precancels. \$60

Scarce combination of stamps for the 2½¢ Bulk-Rate, raised from 1½¢ on July 1, 1960. 'Bells Are Ringing' was released on June 23 rd, so this is probably a very early usage of the new rate, which lasted until January 1963.



United States: 1927 (Aug. 24) 2¢ Burgoyne (Scott #644) tied by 'Newburgh NY' duplex on multicolored picture postcard to New York City. \$300

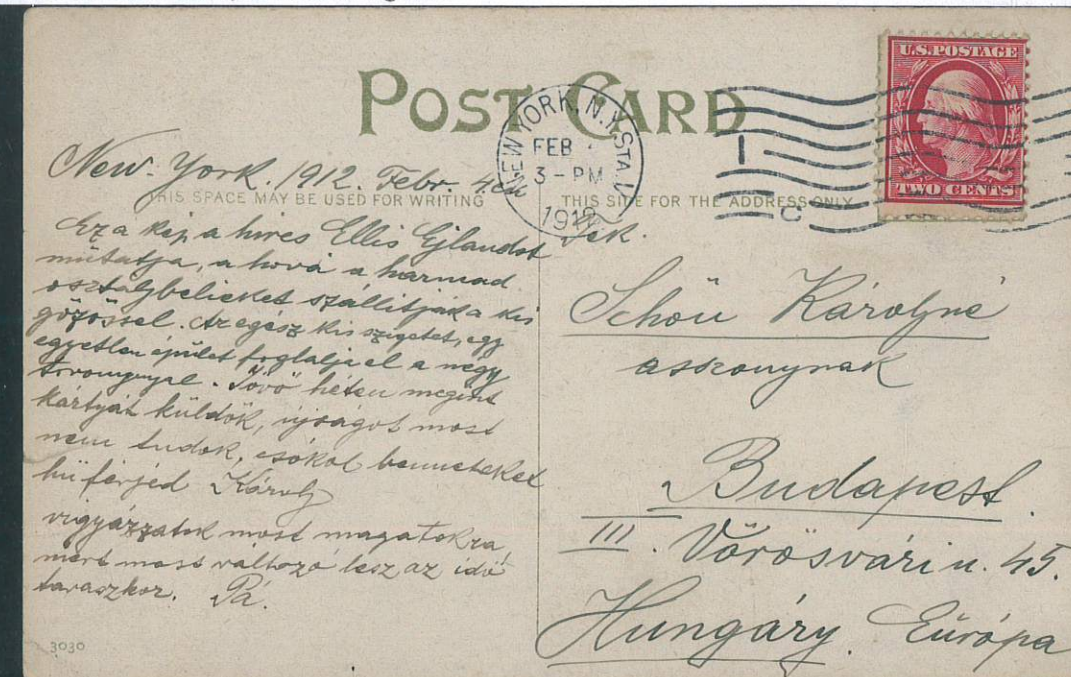
The stamp perfectly centered. Most likely the finest known on-cover example.

Actually a scarce usage of this commemorative for the shortlived special 2¢ rate for postcards, which dropped to 1¢ on July 1, 1928.



United States: 1912 (Feb.) Ellis Island multicolored picture postcard from New York to Budapest, Hungary franked with 2¢ Washington Perf 12 tied by 'New York, NY Sta. V' duplex. Handwritten message in Hungarian. Card with minor corner crease and edge wear. \$100

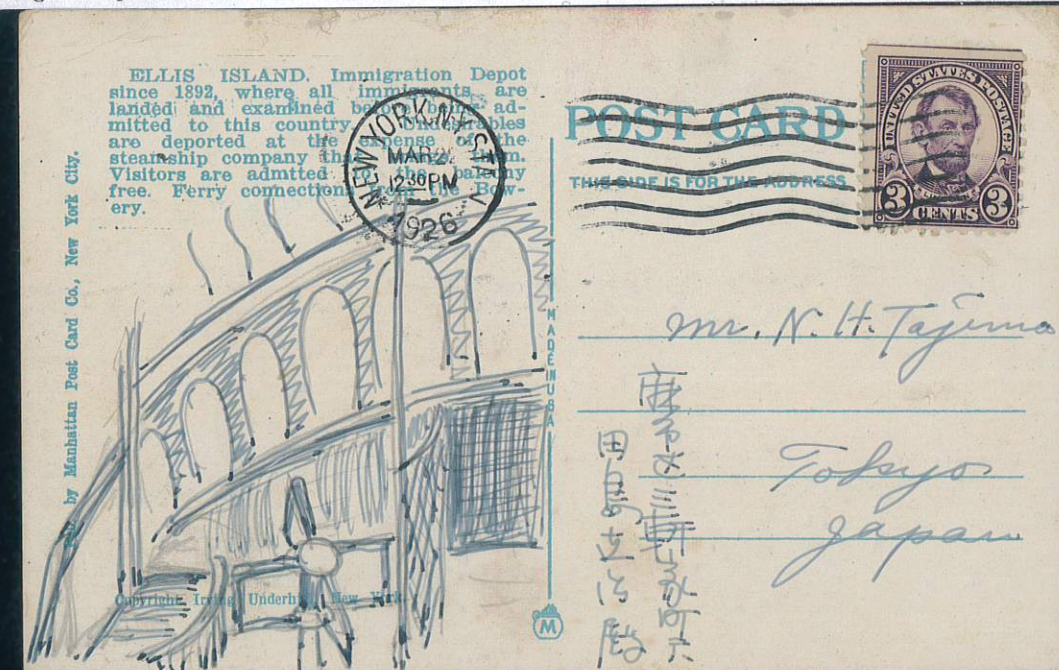
Believed to be from a newly arrived immigrant.



United States: 1926 (March 22) Ellis Island multicolored picture postcard from New York to Japan franked with 3¢ Lincoln Perf 11 (Scott #555, straightedge at top) tied by 'New York NY Sta. N' duplex. \$150

Rare usage. Dated 'Statue of Liberty 15/3/21' (Taisho Year 15) on front. Handwritten message on reverse in Japanese, accompanied by rudimentary sketch. Undoubtedly sent by a tourist rather than a newly arrived immigrant, as nearly all immigrants from Japan came through San Francisco. Ellis Island was not a place that any tourists could visit at this time, as it was still actively engaged in processing immigrants and, if necessary, quarantining them.

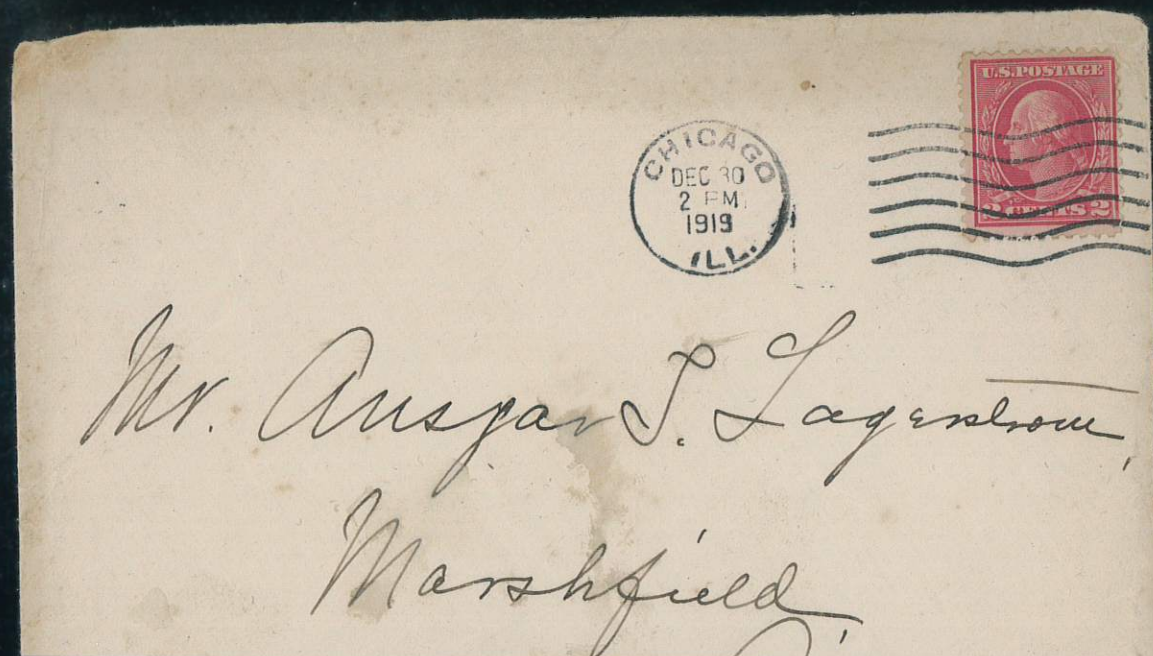
The foreign-mail postcard rate had been raised to 3¢ on October 1, 1925.



United States: 1919 (Dec. 30) 2¢ Deep Rose Type Ia, Perf 11 (Scott #500) tied by 'Chicago Ill' duplex on cover to Marshfield, Oregon. \$200

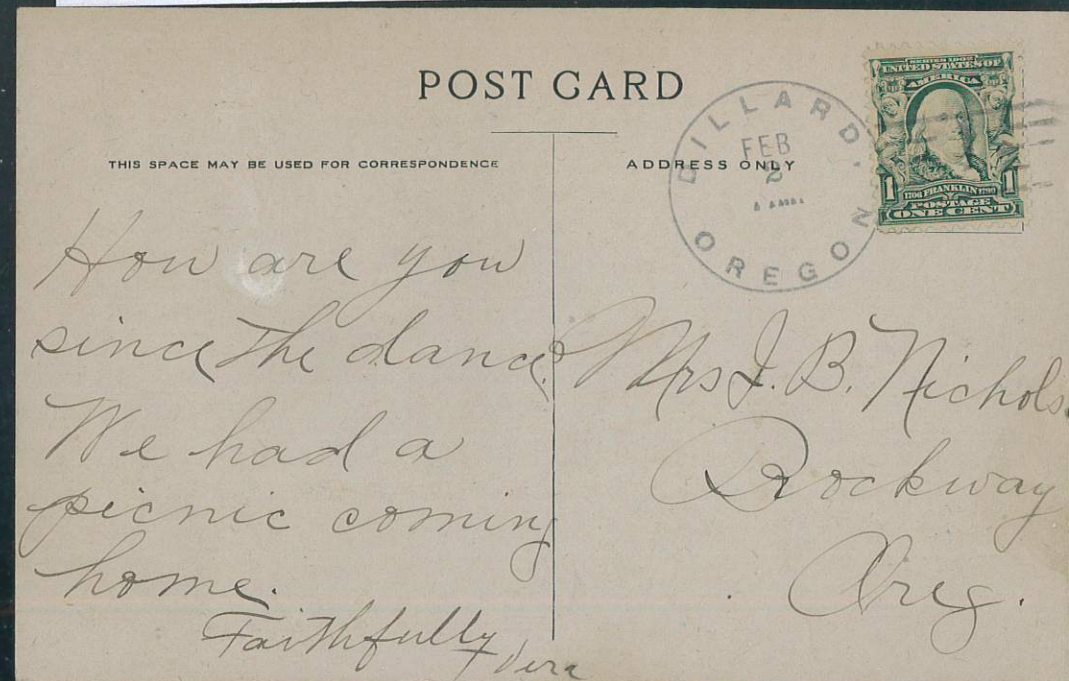
Cover with light corner creasing affecting stamp.

Very scarce stamp on cover (Scott cat. \$650) and a rare first-month usage. Earliest recorded cover is December 15th.



United States: 1910 (ca.) Picture postcard used within Oregon franked with 1¢ Washington with Variety: Worn Plate (Scott #300var) tied by 'Dillard Oregon' duplex. \$90

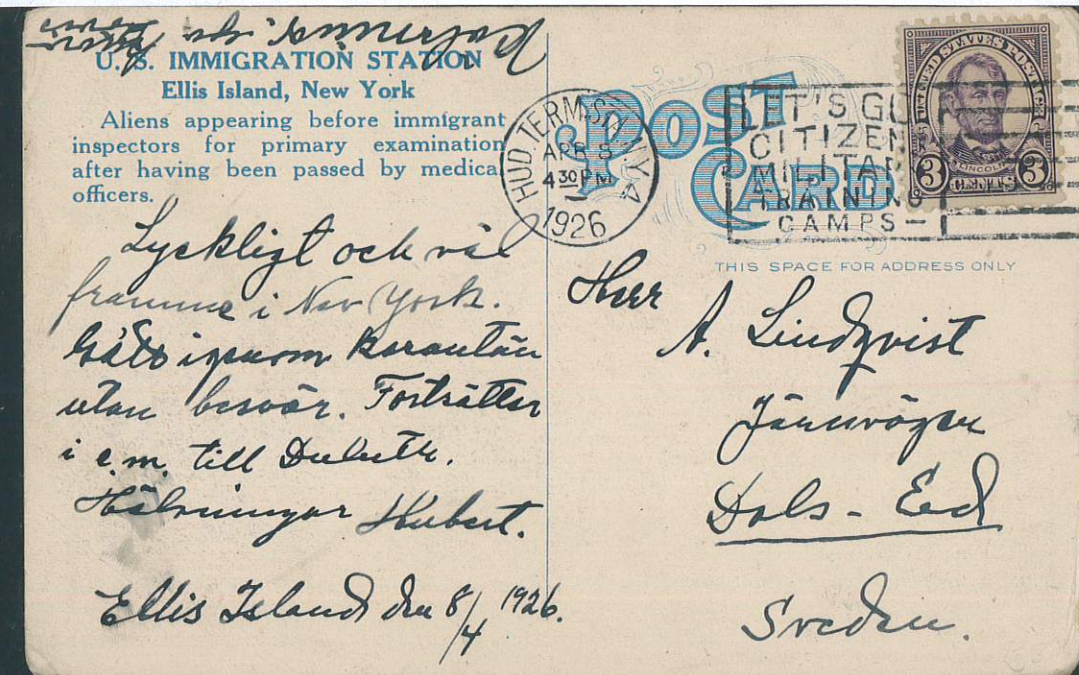
The Worn Plate variety is listed in the Scott US Specialized catalogue without a catalogue number, but it is priced very cheaply. Nevertheless, it is rare and few collectors have ever seen one.



United States: 1926 (April 8) Ellis Island multicolored picture postcard from New York to Sweden franked with 3¢ Lincoln Perf 10 (Scott #584) tied by 'Hud Term Sta NY 4' slogan duplex. Handwritten message in Swedish. Card with minor corner wear. \$150

Believed to be from a newly arrived immigrant on his way to Duluth, Wisconsin.

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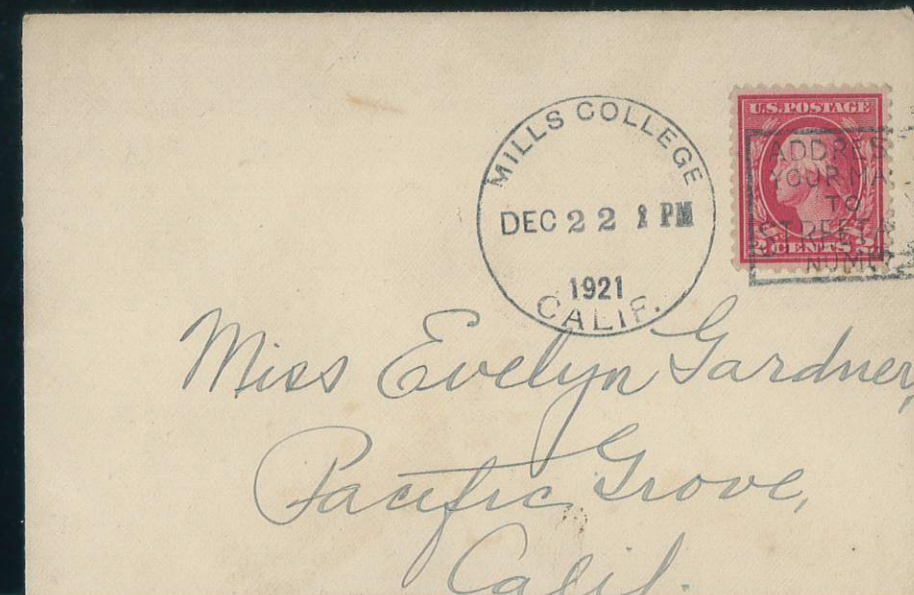


US Postage Dues: 1922 (Nov. 22) Multicolored picture postcard from Switzerland to USA with 'Aareshlucht / Meiringen' boxed datestamp in purple, franked with two 10c William Tell singles (Scott #168) tied by 'Meiringen' postmarks. Underpaid for the 25c foreign-mail postcard rate and struck with Large 'T' postage due handstamp. Canceled on arrival with 'New York, NY G.P.O. / Due 6 cents' duplex for double-penalty charge. Two US Precanceled 3¢ Postage Due stamps (Scott #J63) applied at left. Several creases affecting the Swiss stamps, and the US Dues slightly faulty from overlapping the card's edge. \$60



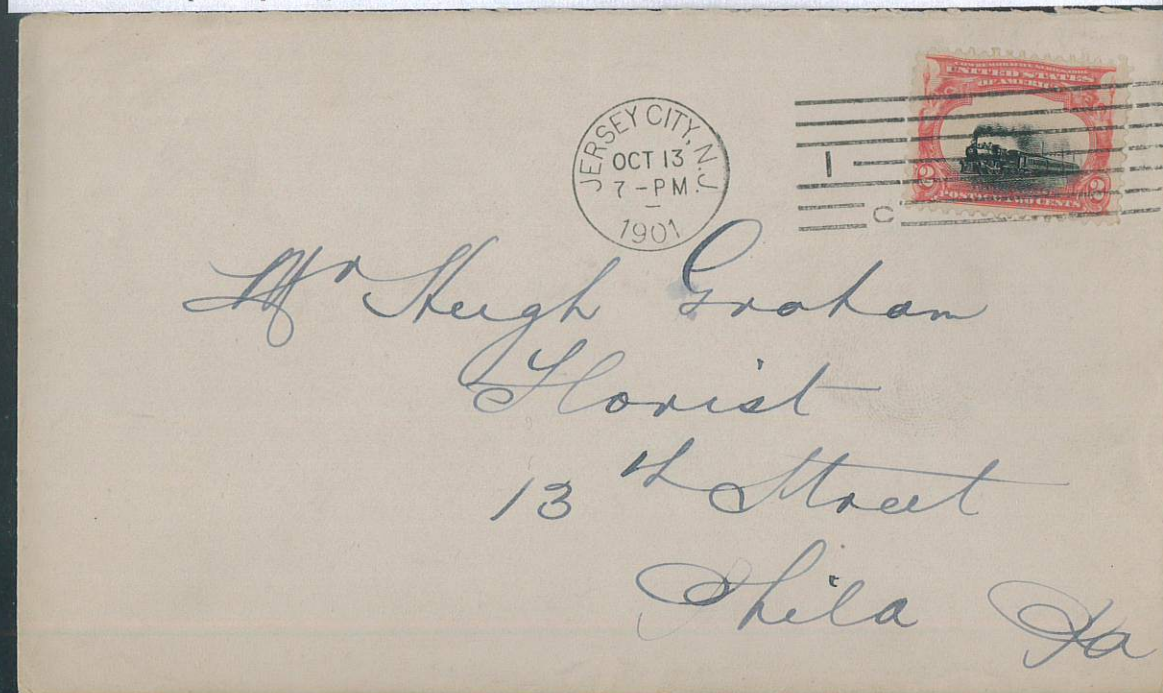
United States: 1921 (Dec. 22) Cover used within California franked with 2¢ Washington (Scott #499) tied by 'Mills College Calif.' duplex. \$125

The stamp perfectly centered.



United States: 1901 (Oct. 13) Cover franked with 2¢ Pan-American with Vignette Shifted Downward (Scott #295var) tied by 'Jersey City, NJ' duplex. 'Philadelphia, PA. Rec'd' bkstp (Oct. 14). \$200

Vignette shifts - even more dramatic than this one - are frequently seen in off-cover singles and multiples, but on-cover examples, especially this well centered, are virtually unknown.



United States: 1915 (July) Firecracker Paper cover franked with 2¢ Washington Perf 10 (Scott #425) tied by 'The Dalles Oregon' duplex, used locally. \$300

Prepared by Henry Stinemetts (born 1878), pioneer cachet maker, whose career spanned four decades. A highly skilled wrangler, Stinemetts worked for Buffalo Bill Cody's Wild West show from 1899 until Cody sold the show in 1913. Stinemetts then moved to The Dalles where, in addition to driving the local stagecoach and other pursuits, he began to produce hand-decorated covers, almost always in very small quantities using a highly creative choice of materials.

Presumably an Independence Day motif, this may be the earliest surviving example of a Stinemetts cover and a forerunner of US cacheted covers.

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United States: 1926 (Sept. 18) Triple-Weight commercial cover from Detroit to Ashland, Ohio (6¢ rate) franked with 3¢ Lincoln coil pair in a distinct Deep Red Violet color (Scott #600var) tied by 'Detroit Mich' duplex. \$200

Highly attractive shade, which is not listed by Scott.

United States: 1934 (Nov. 3) Special Delivery cover (13¢ rate) sent within Minnesota from Northfield to Winona franked with Kansas 1½¢ Harding pair and Nebraska 10¢ Monroe single (Scott #659, 679) tied by 'Northfield' duplex. 'Minn & Des Moines' and 'Chi & Mpls' railway duplex bkstps (both Nov. 3), 'Winona' arrival bkstp (Nov. 4). Philatelically-inspired but rare. \$200



United States: 1876 (ca.) Unsealed Printed-Matter cover used within Pennsylvania franked with CBNC 1¢ Franklin (Scott #156) canceled by mute postmark with 'Shiremantown' circular datestamp alongside. Addressed to the Postmaster of Williamson, located 64 miles southwest of Shiremantown. \$150

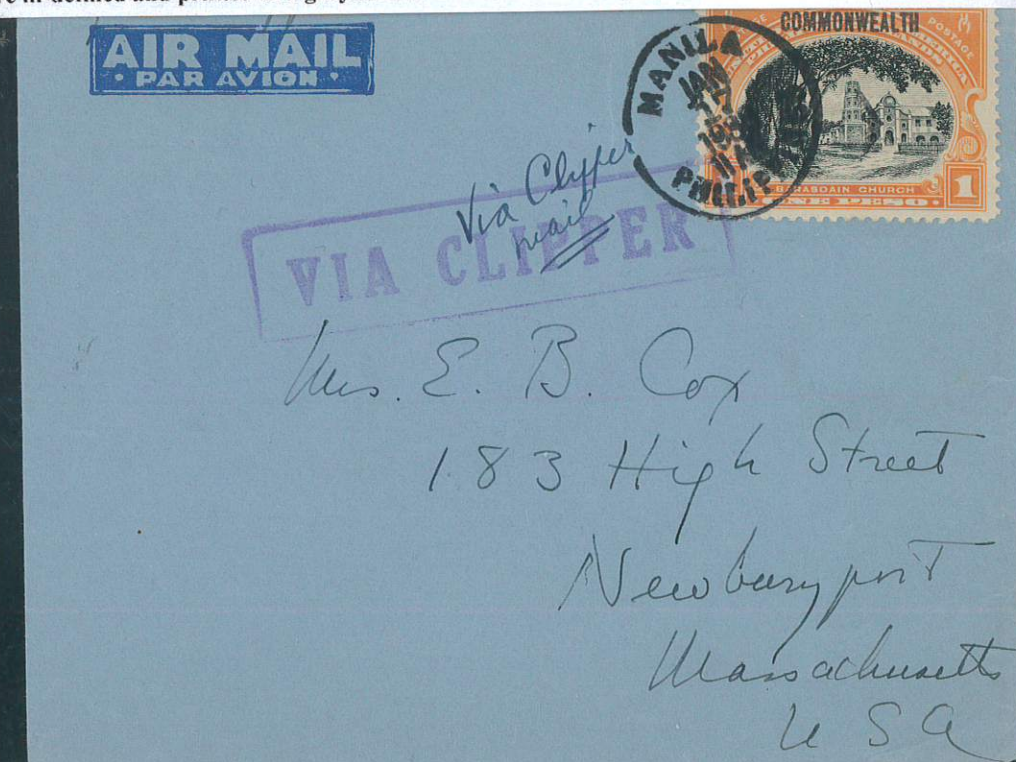
The stamp unusually well centered with full perforations.

With original one-page printed enclosure requesting names of 'Life and Fire Insurance agents.'



Philippines: 1938 (Jan. 17) Airmail cover to Massachusetts franked with 1 peso Barasoain Church with Variety: Handstamped 'Commonwealth' overprint (similar to Scott #421) tied by 'Manila Philippines' postmark. 'Via Clipper' framed handstamp in violet. \$200

An unlisted variety. Unlike the cleanly printed normal machine overprint, the letters of the overprint on this stamp are ill-defined and printed in a grayish ink.



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United States: 1963 (Sept. 30) Cover from Oregon to Seattle, Washington franked with 4 1/2¢ Hermitage Coil and 1/2¢ Franklin (Scott #1030, 1059) tied by 'Forest Grove Oreg' duplex. \$60

Correct usage of both stamps to meet the 5¢ rate, implemented on January 7, 1963.

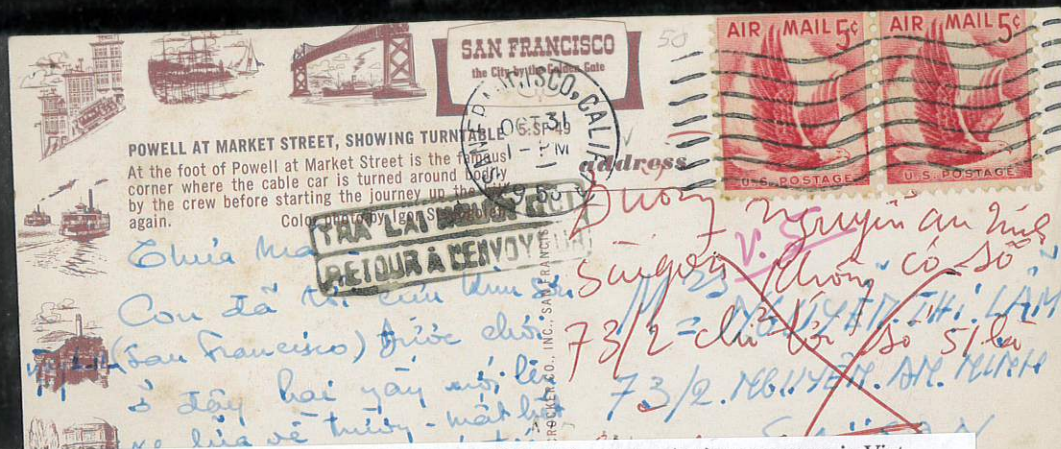
Philippines: 1905 (Sept. 7) Picture postcard to Hawaii franked with First Overprint 1¢ Franklin (Scott #226) tied by 'Manila P.I.' duplex. 'Honolulu H Isls Rec'd' postmark (Oct. 2). \$60

Unusual inter-possession usage, 25 days in transit.

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Vietnam: 1958 (Oct. 31) Airmail postcard from the US to Vietnam (10¢ rate) with handwritten message in Vietnamese franked with 5¢ Eagle Airmail pair (Scott #C50) tied by 'San Francisco, Calif.' duplex. Forwarded within Saigon but undeliverable as addressed with 'Ne Existant' [Does Not Exist] straightline handstamp and Bilingual framed Vietnamese/French 'Retour a L'Envoye' [Return to Sender] instructional handstamp. \$75

Both stamps damaged due to their placement overlapping the edge.

Lacking a sender's address, there is no indication that there was any possibility of the card being returned.

The US 10¢ Foreign Airmail Postcard rate was implemented in 1954, but no dedicated airmail stamp was issued for it until 1959.

United States: 1914 (Feb. 1) Cover to Germany franked with Parcel Post 5¢ Locomotive (Scott #Q5) tied by 'Portland, Oregon' Pan-Pacific duplex. \$100

Scarce foreign-mail usage of this stamp at the correct rate.



United States: 1927 (May 29) Ellis Island multicolored picture postcard from New Jersey to Czechoslovakia franked with 3¢ Lincoln Perf 10 (Scott #584) tied by 'West New York, NJ' slogan duplex. Handwritten messages from two individuals, both in German, in pencil along as well as the address. \$150

Believed sent by two newly arrived immigrants.

The foreign-mail postcard rate had been raised to 3¢ on October 1, 1925.



United States: 1952 (Oct. 20) Airmail cover from Oregon to Australia (25¢ rate) franked with 5¢ Monroe Coil single and 10¢ Tyler Coil pair (Scott #845, 847) tied by 'Forest Grove Oreg' postmarks. \$150

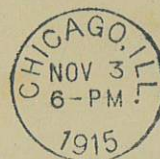
Rare franking of both these coils together, at the correct rate.



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Mrs. L. L. Hutton

Saybrook, Ill.

United States: 1915 (Nov. 3) Commercial cover used within Illinois franked with 2¢ Type I Coil, Perf 10 Vertically (Scott #453, cat. \$55 on cover) tied by 'Chicago, Ill. Duplex. Sent to Saybrook. \$50

United States: 1937 (Feb. 18) Airmail Special Delivery cover sent from Florida to New Jersey franked with Precanceled 16¢ Blue (Scott #CE1) tied by 'New Port Richey Fla' duplex. Two different 'Camden NJ' bkstps (Feb. 19) and 'Millville NJ' arrival bkstp (Feb. 19). \$60



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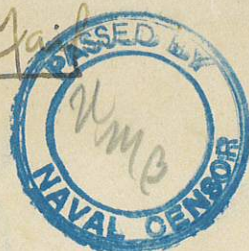
Emil J. Hartge
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Special Delivery

Second World War: 1941 (Dec. 23) Airmail cover from US Naval Air Station Coco Solo in Upham, Canal Zone sent to Navy Dept., Washington DC franked with Canal Zone 15¢ Airmail (Scott #C10) tied by 'Upham CZ' duplex. Base Censor's 'Passed By Naval Censor' circular cachet in bright blue (rare color, normally in black). Departmental receiving circular timestamp (Dec. 29). \$100

Very early example of US censorship in the Canal Zone.

Viva Air Mail



Bureau of Supplies & Accounts
Allotment Section
Navy Department
Washington, D. C.

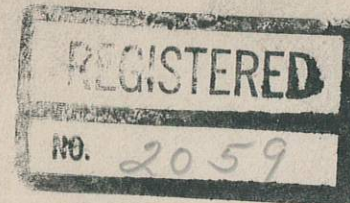
US Postage Dues: Business-Reply Permit cover sent from Iowa to Minnesota canceled by 'Rock Rapids, Iowa' duplex. Franked on arrival with 1917 1¢ Postage Due single (Scott #J61), also 1930 2¢ Postage Due pair & two singles (Scott #J71) all precanceled 'Winona Minn'. Scarce mixed-issues usage. \$100



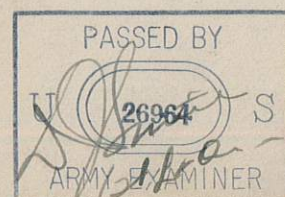
Second World War: 1945 (March 22) Registered-Airmail Remittance cover from US APO #562 in France to USA franked with 15¢ Buchanan, 50¢ Taft & 6¢ Transport (Scott #820, 831, C25) tied by mute double-lined oval with boxed registry handstamp alongside and two 'US Army Postal Service 114 APO' postmarks of origin on reverse. 'Passed by Army Examiner' censor's boxed cachet. Violet 'Oakland Calif.' arrival bkstp (April 4).

The 71¢ total franking consists of 6¢ Airmail, 15¢ Registration, and 50¢ Indemnity up to \$300. \$100
Attractive usage of the 50¢ Taft.

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SHANGHAI, CHINA.

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US Post Offices in China: 1904 (Dec.) M.J. Connell double-weight cover from Shanghai to San Francisco franked with 2¢ Washington pair (Scott #301) tied by 'Shanghai China / Postal Sta.' duplex with Four-Digit Year (Frajola Type 14). Bkstp 'San Francisco' (Dec. 31) and 'Seattle' (Jan. 2). Estimate \$300. \$400

Believed to be the latest known usage of this Shanghai postmark type, previously recorded from February to November 1904 when it was replaced by a similar duplex with the year expressed by only one numeral (Frajola Type 16).

For the previously known LKU of this postmark:

<http://www.rumseyauctions.com/search/p/40/79/SaleNo/0/0/0/usa/0/poa/0/0/sc/0/0/0/c/0/off/off/9/1/desc/10>

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Philippines: 1941 (May 13) Commercial cover to Utica, New York franked with 6c La Filipina with Variety:
Handstamped 'Common-Wealth' overprint (similar to Scott #435) tied by 'Manila P.I.' slogan duplex.

An unlisted variety. Unlike the cleanly printed normal machine overprint, the letters of the overprint on this
stamp are ill-defined and askew. \$200

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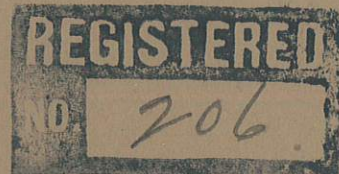
MANILA, P. I.



Brunner Manufacturing Co.
Utica, N. Y.
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Attn: Mr. P. A. Karl

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POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT
POST OFFICE, BURR OAK,
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John Shubstad
Winona
Winona, Minn.



United States: 1932 (April 25) Registered Post Office Penalty envelope from Kansas to Minnesota franked with Kansas 1½¢ Harding block of eight & three singles (Scott #659) and 1¢ Washington Bicentennial (Scott #705) - total franking 17½¢ - canceled by boxed 'Burr Oak Kans.' postmarks with two 'Burr Oak, Kans.' postmarks on reverse. 'Winona Minn.' arrival bkstp in violet (April 26). \$900

An intriguing cover in several respects:

In 1929, a total of 166,623,330 Kansas overprints of 11 different denominations were distributed to smaller post offices throughout the state. Although taken off 'normal' post office sale in 1931, they remained valid for postage anywhere in the US.

This cover probably represents an attempt by the postmaster of the small town of Burr Oak (population less than 600 at this time) to use up its remaining supply of Kansas overprints, in response to a request by the cover's addressee to buy Burr Oak's remaining overprint scrap, which was enclosed.

An early example of the special 1½¢ Postmaster's Letter rate for 2 ounces, raised from 1¢ on April 1st - the only US domestic rate altered on that day. Adding that to the 15¢ Registration fee equals 16½¢ but the cover bears a total franking of 17½¢, suggesting that the 1¢ Washington stamp was added for insurance indemnity up to \$50, accounting for the total of 17½ cents. Next-day delivery, transiting more than 550 miles by way of Nebraska and Iowa.

Possibly the largest multiple-franking of any Kansas/Nebraska overprints.