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Palmyra
Black on #65



2
Madison
Black 1878



3
Madison
Black 1877



4
Oshkosh
Black 1868



5
Milwaukee
Black 1881



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Lodi
Purple 1885



7
Grand Rapids
Black on #65



8
Chi. & Ft. Howard
Black on UX1



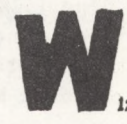
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Ishpeming & Ft. Howard
Black 1888



10
Oshkosh
Black 1881



11
Ashland & Milwaukee
Black 1887



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Watertown
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Ft. Atkinson
Black on 34 Green



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Ripon
Black on 34 Green



15
Humbird
Black 1884



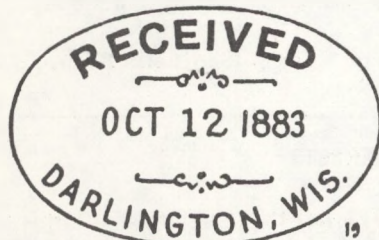
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Fall River
Black 1882



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Chetek
Black 1883

PAID

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Grafton
Black on #65



19
Magenta



20
Wrightstown
Black 1862



21
Fall River
Black on #65

Note No. 7 - Grand Rapids is now - Wisconsin Rapids

Fourth Supplement to No. 6 - Fancy Cancellations of Wisconsin

H. Greene, Madison, Wis. Nos. 2-3
A. Hendelman, Chicago, Ill. No. 7
H. Richow, Racine, Wis. Nos. 20-21
C. Peirce, Oshkosh, Wis. Nos. 10-12
A. Van Vlissingen, Lake Forest, Ill. Nos. 1-4-5-6-8-9-11-13-14-15-16-17-18-19

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AMONG OUR MEMBERS

Gaspere Signorelli (#368) was awarded a bronze medal at the international exhibition, PHILATELIC-PARIS 64 for his showing of two frames of Indian Territory Covers.

Mrs. Emily Moorefield (#342) was Chairman of Judges at VEXOS 64 held recently at Van Nuys, Calif.

H. H. McVeigh (#512) received a Gold Medal and the Washington State Philatelic Society Cup for his "19th Century Postal Markings" at the 24th annual Exhibition of the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs held at Spokane in May. Also he received a First Place and Gold Medal at the APS Spring Meeting at Salt Lake City in May.

John L. Norbeck (#287) was one of 13 exhibitors receiving a "Certificate of Merit" at the annual competition of the Collectors Club of New York held in May at the Club House.

Daniel A. Stone (#53) was awarded a First Place and also the Collectors Club of Denver Trophy at ROMPEX '64 for his exhibit of U.S. 20th Century Plate Varieties.

Milton Mitchell (#279) has been elected Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Collectors Club of Washington, D. C. for a three year term. He recently completed a term as President of that Club.

USCC CERTIFICATE

At ROMPEX '64 our Certificate was awarded to Harold H. Longfellow, Sedona, Ariz. for his showing of Pre-Arizona and Arizona Territorial Covers.

QUAKER DATES

James Milgram (#485) reports a Quaker-dated cancel from Nantucket, Mass.

REPLACED ON ROLL

449 Dr. Robert L. Landis, 5311 N. Vancouver Ave., Portland 11, Oreg.-U.S. Cancellations prior to 1900 on or off cover.

BACK NUMBERS NEWS

As most of you know the first number of our publication appeared in March, 1951 as a quarterly and was called the USCC QUARTERLY appearing as such 19 times (Vols. I & II). In January 1956 the name was changed to US CANCELLATION CLUB NEWS and we started publishing six times a year, each volume to contain 12 issues. This still is our system.

Volumes I, II & III and #s 1, 2 & 3 of Vol. IV are unobtainable from our stock and several others are in very short supply. We have had calls a number of times for a complete file of back numbers of our magazine. Some of these we have been able to supply due to donations from members who no longer needed them but the demand is greater than the supply still. Some members have secured the out-of-print numbers by borrowing the Club's file and having copies made by one of the several methods now available. Your Secretary has made some inquiries and has come to the conclusion that the best available method for this now is Xerox.

If any of you who wish back numbers which are not available here have access to a Xerox machine, you may borrow the Club's file and have it copied or we can make arrangements to have it done here. The price will depend to some extent on the number of you who wish the copies but will probably be slightly higher than we have charged previously.

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We illustrate here six more cancels from the Cover Collection of Robert Schoen (#384).

The Meridian, N.Y. is shown as a Cover this size. Is the "F.A.M." Masonic or simply someone's initials?

The Frankton is on #158, cancel is magenta in color. This has been approved by the Philatelic Foundation as a genuine Frankton, Ind.

The Pentwater, Mich. is on U108 with #183.

The "US" is from Mount Pleasant, Mich., April 6, 1876 with #158.

The Shield is from Clarkson, Mich., June 6, 1876 with #158.

The Eagle is from East Saginaw, Mich., April 26, 1881 on #158.

NEW MEMBERS

- 655 Carl H. Scheele, 2912 North 22nd St., Arlington 1, Va.-Assoc. Curator in charge of Division of Philately & Postal History, Smithsonian Institution, Washington 25, D.C.
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- 657 Ted Conway, 46 Essex Road, Elmont, N.Y.-19th Century Fancy Cancels & Covers; Dealer.
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SAMUEL C. PAIGE AUCTIONS---A LISTING

Prepared by: Robert L. Markovits

P.O. Box 431, Middletown, N.Y. 10941

The Samuel C. Paige Estate yielded but one complete set of the 36 auction catalogues for sales which the late Mr. Paige conducted during the 13 years he sold through the public auction market. This set, completely priced, was acquired by the writer at the Paige Sale, held by the noted NYC Auction firm of Robert A. Siegel, Inc. on April 28-30, 1964.

This set has given rise to a great deal of interest and many, many questions from persons who learned that the books are now on my philatelic library shelf. So, in an attempt to aid all philatelic students interested, and to prevent further duplicating questions, a list of dates for each sale has been prepared which also notes owners whenever their names appeared on the auction jacket.

As a further service to collectors, and as my time permits, upon receipt of a properly stamped, addressed return envelope, I will look up prices realized for any lot which Paige sold. Special arrangements can also be made if a complete listing of all material ever sold by Paige from a particular state or showing a particular usage is wanted. Requests should be directed to me at the above address.

Philatelic literature yields many buried secrets and gives rise to more intelligent collecting. And, these works, generally printed in extremely small runs, are themselves an outstanding investment. For interested philatelic students, the writer has prepared a listing of the United States philatelic literature in his library, a copy of which is available for 25¢ in postage to cover reproduction costs and mailing--possibly you will discover one book on your specialty which you did not know exists!

The complete list of the Samuel C. Paige philatelic auction sales follows:

SAMUEL C. PAIGE AUCTION SALES

# Name(s)	Date(s)
1 Prof. R. F. Chambers	Dec. 1-2, 1950
2 Various Owners(VO)	Mar. 30-1, 1951
3 Rev. Fishel	Nov. 2-3, 1951
4 VO	Mar. 21-2, 1952
5 S. T. Dow	Nov. 1, 1952
6 Randell	Dec. 6, 1952
7 Various Owners	Mar. 27-8, 1953
8 G. C. Willard	June 6, 1953
9 Various Owners	Dec. 10-11, 1953
10 F. S. Whitney & W.C. Phillips	Apr. 9-10, 1954
11 600 VF Lots (VO)	June 4, 1954
12 VO	Dec. 3, 1954

SAMUEL C. PAIGE AUCTION SALES, Cont.

# Name(s)	Date(s)
13 R. Kellogg	Mar. 11-12, 1955
14 M. C. Blake	June 10, 1955
15 VO	Dec. 2, 1955
16 M.F. Cole & R.H. Abbe	Apr. 13-14, 1956
17 H.T. Darlington Territorials	Dec. 7, 1956
18 VO	Mar. 22, 1957
19 VO	June 7, 1957
20 J. L. Williams	Nov. 8, 1957
21 Dr. H. K. Thompson County & P.M.	Dec. 6, 1957
22 G.M. Burr & H.G. deWindt 20th	May 16, 1958
23 Western Cover Society Show	Oct. 11, 1958
24 S. B. Ashbrook(stampless) H.W. Stark	Mar. 13-14, 1959
25 J. A. Herbert	June 5-6, 1959
26 VO	Dec. 4, 1959
27 VO	Apr. 29, 1960
28 Prof. A.R. Davis	June 3, 1960
29 VO	Dec. 9, 1960
30 R.C. Burleigh & E.W. Phippen	Mar. 24, 1961
31 J.H. Smith & L. Crandall	May 19, 1961
32 Dr. Carroll Chase & VO 3¢51-7	Dec. 8, 1961
33 VO	May 4-5, 1962
34 VO	Dec. 10, 1962
35 S.W. Drenan & O.H. Wolcott	Apr. 22, 1963
36 VO	Dec. 6, 1963

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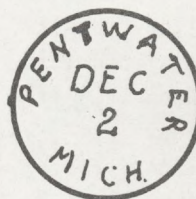
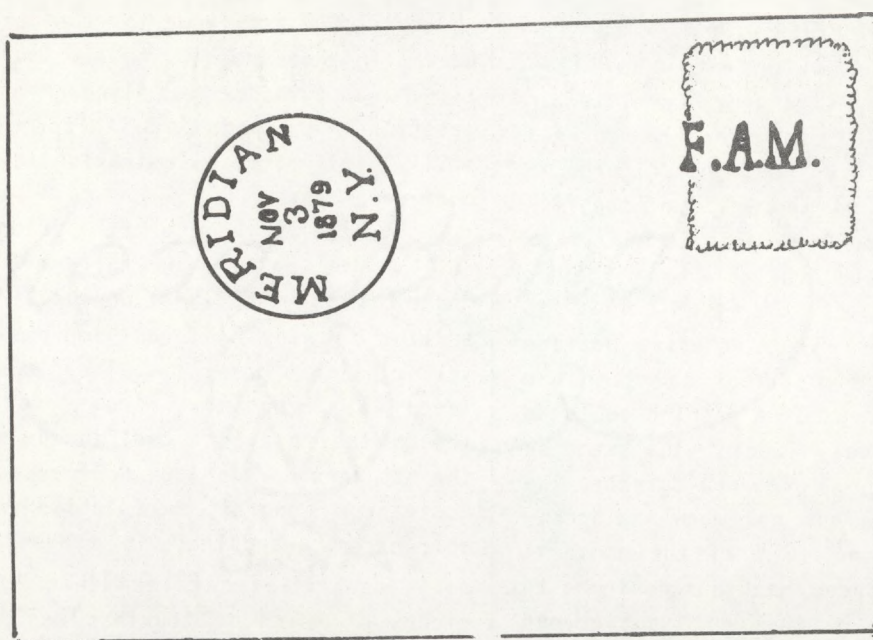
Private Summer Lists for: 1953, 1954, 1957

Editor's note: Several former members of USCC are noted in the above list, Phillips, Blake, Burr, deWindt, Ashbrook, Stark etc.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS

Members whose address is about to change are urged to notify the Secretary at the earliest possible date. P.O. regulations forbid forwarding third or fourth class mail even in the same town or village. When a circuit is misdirected it will be returned to sender with postage due in the amount of the fourth class postage paid for sending. When a copy of the NEWS is misdirected it returns to Denver with 8¢ postage due. This happened twice with the May issue chiefly due to extreme delay in delivering. One copy sent to New York City returned 33 days later.

We wish to thank those members who take the time and trouble to notify us of deaths of other members. Noting such unwelcome information is one service we can render the membership and it enables us to keep our records up-to-date.



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METERED POSTAGE

On page 31 we show a page from the book, HISTORY AND EVOLUTION OF METERED POSTAGE by William K. Thomas published by the American Philatelic Society Research & Literature Committee in 1962. This is certainly a worthwhile book for those interested in Metered Postage. Figures 1-12 illustrate the text of the first of the fifteen chapters in the book. We plan to add it to our Library so it will be available to members in the usual manner.

Shortly after our first adhesive postage stamps appeared it was realized that time and bookkeeping could be saved if a machine could be used which would not only imprint the stamp on the item to be mailed but also would record the amount of postage paid but not much was accomplished until about the turn of the century. Several inventors produced machines designed to do these jobs but few of them ever got beyond demonstrating. The name "Pitney" has been associated with these endeavors ever since late in the 19th Century, Mr. Arthur H. Pitney and his associates having formed the "Pitney Postal Machine Co." in 1901. This has developed into "Pitney-Bowes Inc." of Stamford, Conn., an important manufacturer of Meter Machines.

Figure 1 is a sketch contained in the papers of a patent issued in 1898 which Mr. Elmer E. Wolf, the inventor apparently assigned to Mr. William A. Scott. The initials "A. B. D. Co." probably were those of A. B. Dick Co. with whom Mr. Wolf is known to have had business dealings.

On October 14, 1902 a patent was granted to Mr. Arthur H. Pitney for a machine manually operated and capable of printing only a single rate of postage. Only Essays from this machine are known today. Fig. 2 is one of these essays.

Later in 1902 an improved model was developed for which patent was issued on Feb. 23, 1904 to Mr. Pitney. Improvements on this machine had, many of them been invented by Mr. Eugene A. Rummler. It incorporated several improvements in design and operation and was capable of printing three different rates of postage. Fig. 3 shows one of only eight known proofs of the essays from this machine.

Figure 4 is a tracing of the shield shaped impression which is known on only two small envelopes with the return corner card of Pitney Postal Machine Co. of Chicago. This was really the first known metered mail. By now considerable interest and favorable reaction existed in the Post Office Dept. and further tests were propos-

ed. These resulted in a design of oval shape with the penalty clause incorporated as shown in Fig. 5. This was rejected perhaps because it was thought to be too large for the purposes intended and another design, smaller but less attractive, was submitted. Although some 40,000 impressions were made from this machine not many still exist. No illustration is shown of this one.

Eventually the "Permit" system was developed for the mailing of third and fourth class matter by large business houses. "Permits" resulting in many different impressions from normal printing processes. These must not be confused with impressions from Meter Machines although they played a part in the development of the machines. In 1904 Congress authorized the Postmaster General to establish means for the collection, handling and transmission in the mails quantities not less than 2,000 identical pieces of third or fourth class matter without postage stamps being affixed. Fig. 6 illustrates the first Permit mailing in USA, Oct. 1, 1904. Before first class mailings could be made by meter stamps additional legislation had to be passed. Further tests were made in 1912 and in 1914. As early as 1913 the idea of the use of gummed tape for evidence of postage paid by meter was being considered. Figures 7, 8, 8a & 8b illustrate some of the meter impressions used during this period. Many of the countries largest mailers were now using metered mail for their mailings of their class mail, in many cases as many as 20,000 pieces or more at a time.

In 1916 a patent was granted to Mr. Pitney for a machine to prepay parcels through the use of gummed tapes. This machine was constructed so that a different colored tape could be used for each denomination, the colors corresponding to the colors of the postage stamps of the same denomination. Figure 11 is that of a sketch taken from the patent drawings.

Figure 12 shows Essays of both "Bowes 1918 Meter Stamps". Apparently this machine was never really placed in use because it lacked the revenue controls deemed necessary. Figures 9 & 10 (not shown here) are photographs of the machines used in the 1912 and the 1914 tests. One was driven by a belt and the other by gears. Both had electric motors.

Editor's note: Since we wish to use articles covering the postal markings of all periods we solicit articles on Meters which contain information new to most of our readers.

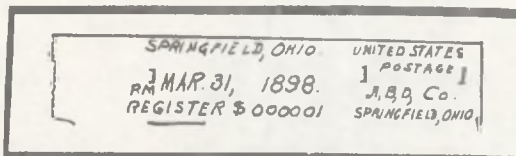


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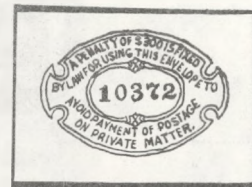


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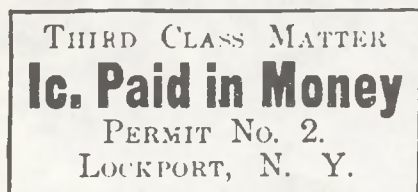


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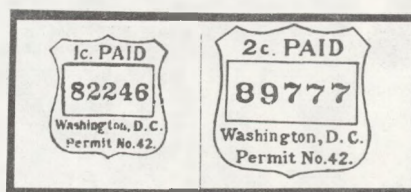


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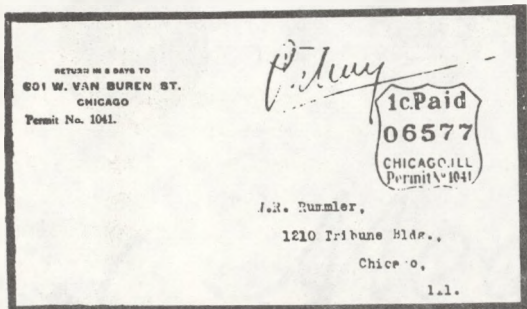


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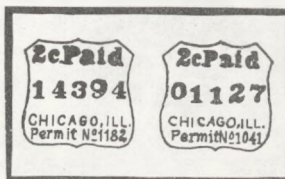


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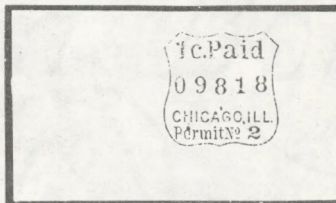


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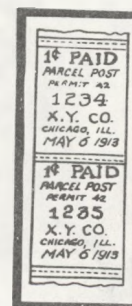
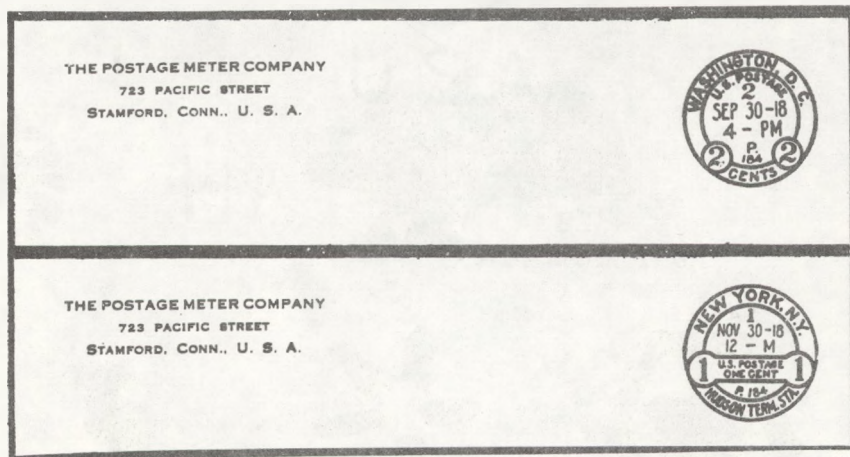
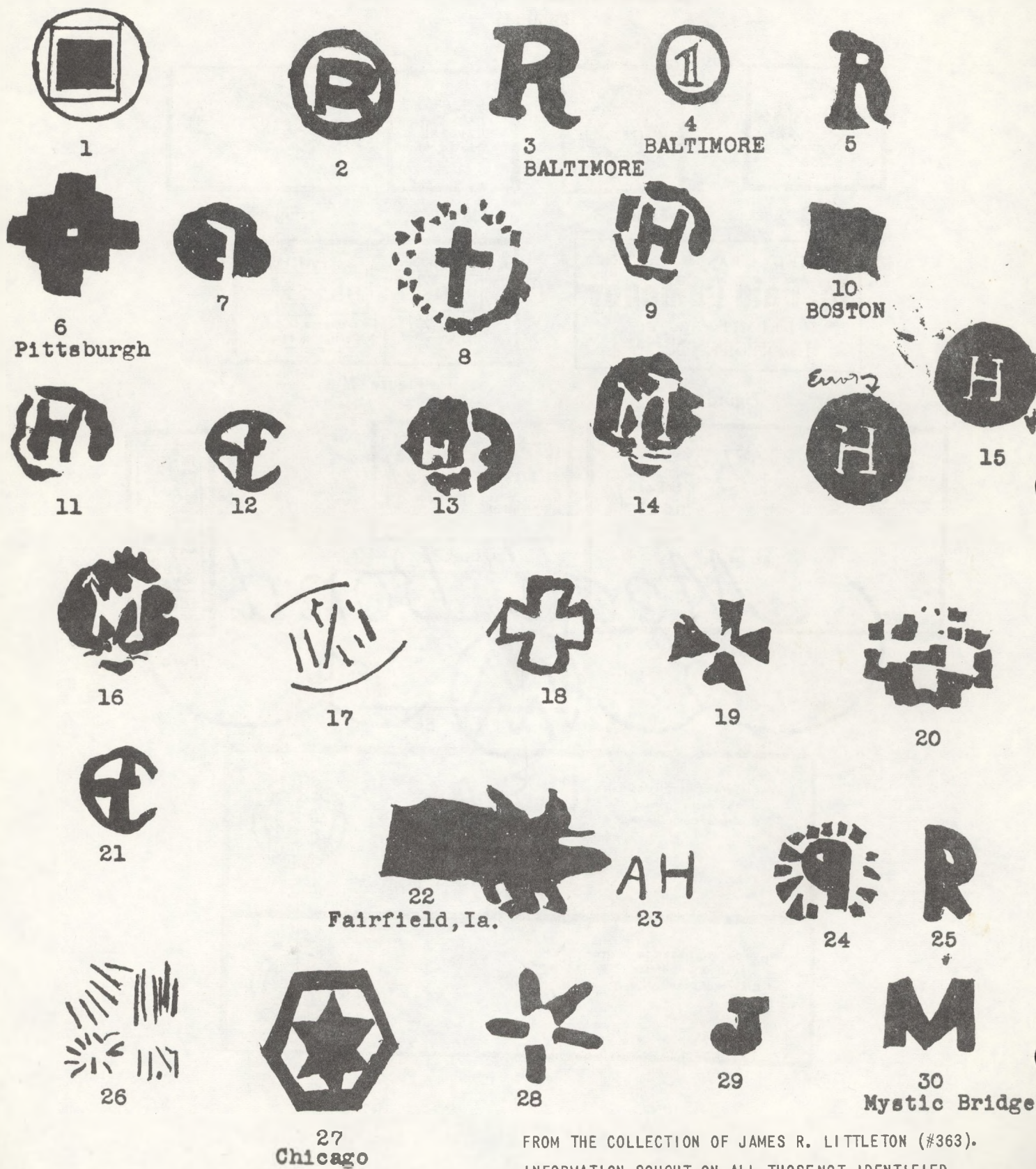


Figure 11





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