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FRONT PAGE

On the front page we show a photo of the discovery copy of the rare BRECKINBRIDGE, C.T. error Aug. 3. This cover is from the collection of David L. Jarrett (#640) who found it in a generally mutilated correspondence. The enclosure is headed "French Gulch, Aug. 1, 1861".

This marking was used for around three months until the Postmaster removed the second "B" making the marking read "BRECKINRIDGE". Three other examples of this marking are known to Mr. Jarrett.

PLEASE PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS. They help a lot toward paying for the NEWS. On page 96 we run an ad which we hope will be the start of a long series. COLLECTORS' CORNER is owned by Mr. S. M. Horwitz (#661).

MOOSE HEAD CANCEL

This Cancel, which is on USA #94, was sent in by James R. Kesterson (#473). He has two copies of it, both on #94 acquired from different parts of the country and 6 years apart. He wishes to learn the origin. If you have it on cover or know its origin please notify the editor or Mr. Kesterson.

BRITISH EXHIBITIONS

John Crispin (#709) one of our British members has sent the Handbook of the 22nd Annual Convention and Stamp Exhibition of the Association of Essex Philatelic Societies. From this it appears their Philatelic Organizations operate much as ours do.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS, DUES

Again it is necessary that we elect Officers for the next two years (1968-9). With this issue we enclose a ballot on which you may express your approval or otherwise of the slate of Officers which our Committee submitted to the membership in the September NEWS. No other nominations have been received.

About our dues: For the past several years our expenses have just about equalled the receipts from dues and there has been considerable discussion aimed at raising the amount of the dues.

Our Board of Governors and our Officers have finally decided that dues should be raised to \$4.00 a year effective immediately. This is now in effect.

We still urge members to send in dues for next year (1968) now thereby saving the Club the expense of sending special notices. We have followed this plan for several years and note that APS now is doing the same thing. There is no question that the cooperation of members in this way will make a substantial saving in the year's expenses.

Members who have material in the Sales Dept. stock may have dues charged to that account. In fact this will be done for those members sometime in Jan. or Feb. even without definite instructions. Several members have paid 1968 dues already. Cards have been sent them. PLEASE SEND IN YOUR BALLOT AND YOUR DUES (\$4.00)

20th CENTURY CANCELS

On page 94 are more 20th Century cancels from Mrs. Carolyn Kuhn (#742). Anyone knowing the origin of any of these in the drawing at the bottom of the page will please notify the editor.



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Are these Postal Markings?  
If so, where from?  
If not, what are they?



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JOHN CRISPIN (#709)  
33 Thurston Avenue, Southend on Sea, Essex,U.K.

## NEW MEMBERS

- 760 Charles L. Wunsch M.D., 1219 W. Downer Place, Aurora, Ill. 60506- Stamped Embossed Envelopes; Western Express Covers; Early USA with Fancy Cancels
- 761 Thomas J. Giovino, 17 Kenneth St., Hartford, Conn. 06114- 19th Century Fancy Cancels and Covers; 20th Century Cancels and 1st Day Covers.
- 762 Henry M. Spelman III, Box 488, Lexington, Mass. 02173- New Hampshire Covers to 1869. (Sampson)
- 763 Mrs. Wilma M. Maddick, 4125 Knobhill Drive, Sherman Oaks, Calif. 91403- USA & World
- 764 Vernon L. Ardiffe, P.O. Box 1224, St. Louis, Mo. 63188- Maritime Postmarks; Paquebot; Ship Port of Arrival Marks; River Boat Covers; later etc.
- 765 Norman Brassler, 258 Ridgewood Ave., Glen Ridge, N.J. 07028- USA Cancels & Patriotic Covers; 19th Century Canada, Br. West Indies; France, Roumania and Serbia. (Horwitz)

## NEW MEMBERS, Cont.

- 766 Gene Mickel, 265 N. Main St., Phillipsburg, N.J. 08865- U.S. Postal Cards used with colored cancels. (Horwitz)

## SALES DEPARTMENT

The Insurance policy which has covered our material for about 20 years was cancelled as of Oct. 4. Possibly this resulted from the lack of confidence in the P.O. Department.

We were forced to act quickly if we were to continue to maintain a sales department. All circuits were called in immediately and steps were taken to secure other Insurance coverage or, if that proved impossible, to formulate a plan for operating without commercial insurance coverage as the American Philatelic Society does. Fortunately, we were able to get another policy. The new one, however, insists that all mail shipments be insured. We, therefore, ask that all shipments be insured for \$50.00. This will cost 30¢, 10¢ more than the fee for minimum insurance which covers for only \$15.00 but it also requires a signature from the addressee and the receipt furnishes proof that a "safe" method of transportation was used. PLEASE FOLLOW THESE NEW INSTRUCTIONS. ALSO PLEASE FORWARD PROMPTLY.



PATRIOTIC OR CAMPAIGN COVERS?

By Barbara R. Mueller (#360)

Illustrated patriotic covers and envelopes--from the Civil and Spanish-American Wars and World Wars I and II--frequently show up in USCC circuits. Despite their colorful and generally attractive appearance, they no longer excite the experienced collector. Such material is old hat! it has been available for decades.

Yet it has never become popular or even well known in other related areas of collecting. The pundits were once sure that when the Civil War "buffs" became aware of this type of paper Americana it would reach new heights of popularity and value. The Civil War Centennial has come and gone, but the "Round Table" hobbyists continue to ignore these vital manifestations of war sentiment.

But another area of collecting is rapidly coming to the fore, promising a more favorable reception for paper Americana, including illustrated covers. It began with collectors of political campaign buttons and now embraces everything connected with political campaigns from souvenir handkerchiefs to walking canes. "Political Americana collecting" it is called and already there are indications that paper political Americana is receiving the attention it deserves.

Therefore, campaign covers, as known to philatelists, may well replace purely patriotic covers in the affection of the collecting public. Differentiation between campaign and patriotic covers of the immediate pre-Civil War and War periods is often difficult; in that era politics and patriotism were often equated. A perusal of the Walcott catalog turns up at least 50 designs ambiguous enough to fit either category.

For instance, John C. Fremont, first candidate of the then-new Republican Party, appears on envelopes used in the 1856 campaign and later in the Civil War. The designs are quite similar, but in general any cover with an 1851 stamp dates from the campaign. Any with 1857 or 1861 stamps or showing Fremont in military uniform are patriotics. Of course, those picturing his wife, Jessie Benton Fremont, or such a sentiment as "Give 'em Jessie" or "No 'Old Batch' wanted at the White House" originated during the campaign.

Post-Civil War presidential campaign covers are more definitive. There's no mistaking a

Grant-Colfax envelope. Most similar covers up to the time of Benjamin Harrison are comparatively expensive, although the later ones are just as scarce but less popular. Jugate envelopes (those with side-by-side pictures of the Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidates) are the most desirable. Lincoln-Hamlin, Lincoln-Johnson, Douglas-Johnson, Fremont-Cochrane, Breckinridge-Lane, Bell-Everett and McClellan-Pendleton envelopes are now known in collections.

Covers from both Grant campaigns are relatively numerous. A red-white-and-blue flag and shield emblazoned jugate of Grant and Colfax is one of the more spectacular ones. After the Grant era the number of varieties decreases. One of the later gems is a jugate pairing William Jennings Bryan and George Washington on the front and a hodge-podge of complimentary quotations on the back. This 1896 cover declares Bryan to be "a true son of the father of his country."

In 1904, letter seals, a little larger than a commemorative stamp, were used by the Roosevelt-Fairbanks ticket. In 1908, elaborate colored post cards were produced by one H. M. Rose for both major parties. Post cards with political sentiments entered the field after postal regulations governing their design were relaxed in 1907.

One "Souvenir Card"  $4\frac{1}{2} \times 7\frac{1}{4}$  inches extolled Theodore Roosevelt for President and was addressed to the Republicans of Pennsylvania voting for delegates to national and state conventions. It reads, "Take this Souvenir Card as a Guide at Polls." This oversize card was called a "Mailing Card" on the address side and bore a 1c Paid indicia under a Pittsburgh permit.

Even bigger, is a "Republican Mailing Card"  $7 \times 11\frac{1}{2}$  inches, which when unfolded reveals a full color poster for the gubernatorial candidate for Pennsylvania running with President McKinley. This giant passed through the mails for 2c and bears the inscription, "Unmailable if written on back except as first class mail."

Cards and covers not necessarily political but of a definite presidential flavor are also available and turn up occasionally in our circuits. One such series by Raphael Tuck pictures in color each President together with his signature and a brief biography. Another series shows presidential homes.

It is easy to see, then, that as the patriotic cover evolves into the campaign cover more types of hobbyists will seek what was once purely philatelic. The American Political Items



PATRIOTIC or CAMPAIGN COVERS, Cont.

Collectors, leading organization of political Americana collectors, already number more than 600 members and publishes a quarterly (The Key-noter) similar in format to our News. It is packed with information about candidates and campaigns, collectibles and forgeries. The only independent publication in the field, Political Americana, subsidized by C. W. Fishbaugh, is a small but useful mimeographed magazine that has already published articles on paper-postal Americana.

Another type of hobbyist looking at our material is the post card collector. His hobby has always been closely related to ours and very likely he has some knowledge of our field, just as we have of his. Because post card collecting is such a vast and bulky field, specialization is almost a necessity, and one of the coming specializations is political and Presidential cards. Again, some of these colorful items from such publishers as Detroit and Tuck often turn up in our circuits.

Therefore, it would be useful both economically and aesthetically for postal historians to re-examine their patriotics and look for campaign and presidential covers and cards. Our superior knowledge of the publishers of patriotics, for one thing, gives us a head start over the other hobbyists.

CHANGE IN COLLECTING ACTIVITIES

- 640 David L. Jarrett, P.O. Box 1486, G.C. Sta., New York, N.Y. 10017- All Territorial Covers 1787-1880; Fancy Town Marks (Straight Lines, Arcs, Rimless Circles etc.) on Stampless Covers; Territorial Expresses.

ERROR CORRECTED

- 754 Edward S. Greenwald, M.D. was listed erroneously in the Sept. NEWS as Edward S. Greenbaum.

LOCAL POSTS

Are you interested in Local Posts? We have received from Surf Stamps, P.O. Box 121, Wildwood, N.J. a copy of a 12 page publication put out by the U.S. LOCALS COLLECTORS. Apparently there are many more Local Post Routes than most of us realized. Dues are \$2.00 a year for members in USA. For information write U.S.L.C. at the above address.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS

- 513 N. Leonard Persson to 1105 Lanwehr Road, Northbrook, Ill. 60062 from Atlanta, Ga.  
 593 Joseph Bernhardt to 10865 E. Fairway Court, Sun City, Ariz. 85351 from Cornwall, Pa.  
 726J Malcolm D. Hill to 45 Freeman Drive, Greenfield, Mass. 01301 from North Dighton, Mass.  
 727 Thomas J. Wisniewski to 2506 So. Combes, Urbana, Ill. 61801 from Lombard, Ill.  
 734 Joseph D. Hahn to 812 W. Fairmount Ave., State College, Pa. 16801 from 205 S. Patterson St.  
 735 James R. Hopkins, to 2165 Ridgemont Drive, Los Angeles, Calif. 90046 from 2611 Glendale Blvd.

T.M.P.S. CONVENTION & EXHIBITION

Mr. Wm. C. Aichele of Hollister, Calif. received the USCC Certificate at this Exhibition for his display of "COLORADO COVERS", Town Cancellations of the 19th Century.

Arthur J. Rogers (#438) was elected First Vice-President.

J. Stanley Thompson (#439) was honored as one of the former Presidents in attendance.

Mr. F. Rapp (#688) received a Bronze Medal at the Philatelic Congress for his presentation, "Types of Cancellations Used by 4th Class Post Offices".

AMONG OUR MEMBERS

Mary A. Phillips (#729) exhibited 19th Century Cancellations at the Rock Island, Ill. show held earlier this year and received a second place award.

Milton Mitchell (#279) is one of the two new directors of S.P.A. elected at the Convention in Boston in September.

Richard Russell (#444) writes that Mrs. Russell is quite ill and asks that those who have written him wait patiently for the answer to their letters.

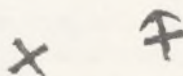
At FLAMEX '67 held in Brooklyn in October Gaspare Signorelli (#368) was awarded a Gold Medal and a FLAMEX Research Award Medal for his exhibit of New York City Stampless SHIP Covers.

Subject to prior sale, your Sales Dept. has been asked to offer a collection of 20 or so volumes of Parcel Post Box Cancellations, arranged alphabetically by States and Cities. Every State and Territory represented, Price \$2200.00. Also under the same restrictions the Greene Collection of Wells Fargo Covers. This includes a number of Unique pieces. Price \$7,000.00. Arrangements may be made for inspection.

## 20th CENTURY

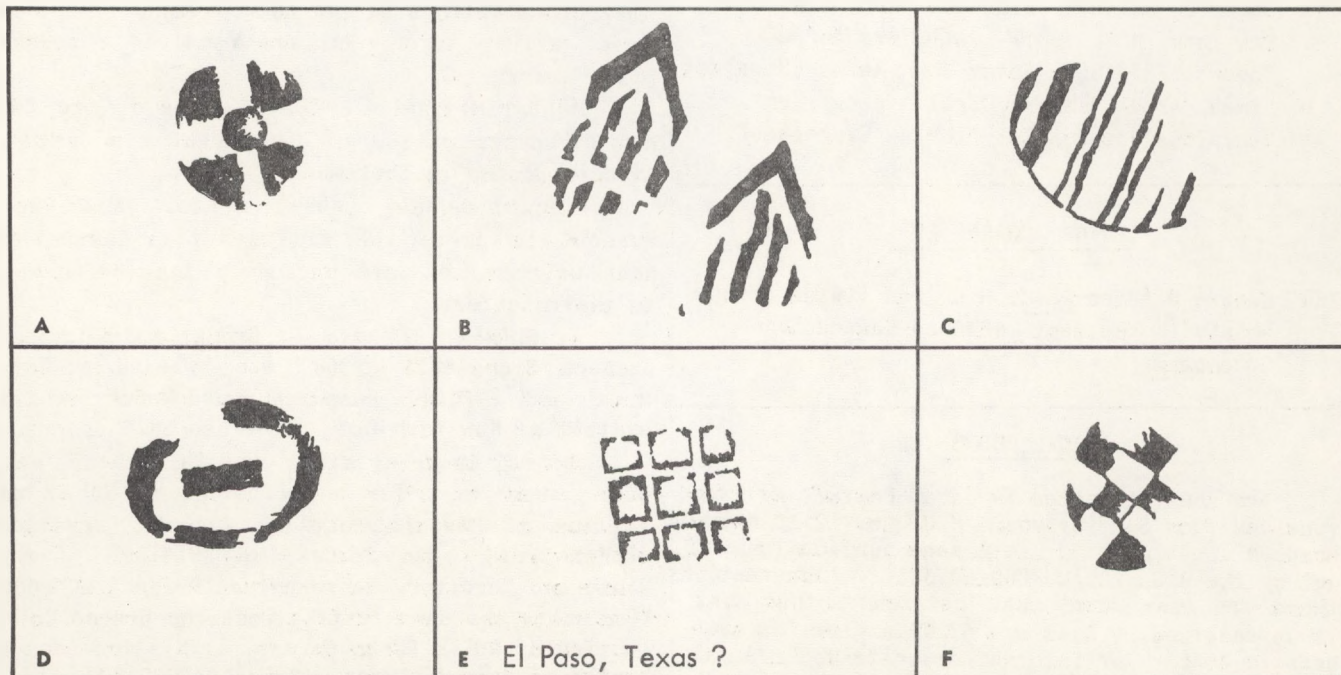


ELGIN, TEXAS (Parcel Post) Sadie B. Davis, the present postmaster, informs us that this attractive oval handstamp has not been used for quite a number of years but is remembered by some of the retired employees. "It was kept on the dispatch desk and used for parcel post."



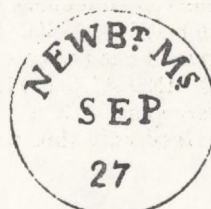
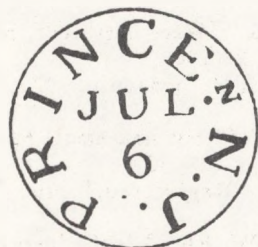
JAMESBURG, CALIFORNIA (First Class) A very small cross (3/16 x 3/16 inches) that sometimes reproduced with an arrow-tip form at the end of one of the arms probably due to off-center pressure which caught the edge of the device. It was used in conjunction with a handstamp dater circle. Examples seen are circa 1910 but it is suspected that use may go back into the late 1800's. At that time Jamesburg was a way station on the stage route from Monterey to Tassajara Springs. The all day trip was made three times a week carrying mail and passengers. Horses were changed twice along the way, quite possibly at the Jamesburg stop. Even today this is sparsely populated country. The post office was discontinued April 10, 1935.

## IN NEED OF IDENTIFICATION:



Carolyn P. Kuhn



ANDOVER, MASS.  
1822ANDOVER, MASS.  
1834NEWBURYPORT, MASS.  
1802PITTSFIELD, MASS.  
1828SPRINGFIELD, MASS.  
1831NATCHEZ, MISS.  
1810-17NATCHEZ, MISS.  
1819-20NATCHEZ, MISS.  
1826VICKSBURG, MISS.  
1832WASHINGTON, MISS.  
1813ELIZABETH, N.J.  
1825PRINCETON, N.J.  
1837RAHWAY, N.J.  
1833TRENTON, N.J.  
1816TRENTON, N.J.  
1828

ANOTHER PAGE OF ABBREVIATED POSTMARKS FROM  
THE COLLECTION OF ARTHUR H. BOND (#505)



## OVER 20% DISCOUNT TO U.S. CANCELLATION CLUB MEMBERS ONLY!!

When purchasing, for resale, from dealers 20% was the maximum discount we ever received. Now we offer the following lots to USCC members at discounts that are a bit MORE than 20%. The only gimic is that ENTIRE (BUT SMALL) LOTS ARE INVOLVED. Not single items. There may be small faults but they are reflected in the prices (an unused but faulty copy of 186, cat. \$57.50, is priced at \$3.50 and it is a nice appearing stamp, in lot #20) AND ALL LOTS ARE SOLD WITH A GUARANTEE OF SATISFACTION. These are not "left over lots or stamps." Over 75% have been mounted and not sent to any of our customers at all. They will be advertised only thru the USCC News. All lots contain from 10 to 20 stamps. Use lot number.

- No. 1CC: #26(20) - "Paid", nice geometrics, "Paid 3" in circle, in oval, numeral, blue Star of David, etc. Retail: \$27.55. NET: \$21.50.
- No. 2CC: 3¢ 1861-66(20) - rose pinks, Railroad, nice grids, ultramarine, NYC circled stars, geometric, St. Louis Spokes, etc. Retail: \$23.85. NET: \$18.50.
- No. 3CC: 3¢ 1861-66(20) - nice grids, stars, Masonic, circled "10", split target, blue circled Cross, etc. Retail: \$17.15. NET: \$12.50.
- No. 4CC: 3¢ 1861-66(20) - lovely lot - boxed "PAID", blue "Steamboat", "Fort Scott", "DUE", red "16", circled stars, Putnam, Ct. fancy star, blue segmented star, Masonics, unusual neg. "S", etc. Retail: \$38.50. NET \$30.00.
- No. 5CC: 3¢ 1861-66(20) - cluster of stars, "Banks Div." circled "PAID 3" and "10", "PAID", cogwheel, olive green, NYC circled star, etc. Retail: \$24.25. NET: \$19.50.
- No. 6CC: 3¢ 1861-66(20) - blue shield, Unadilla Pitchfork, Salisbury, Ms. Leaf, Masonic, circled "PAID 3", unusual stars including VERY unusual small blue one, etc. Retail: \$20.45. NET: \$16.00.
- No. 7CC: 135, 146 & 157(18) - NYFM, "NY Delivery", 8 ptd. star, blue Christmas date, split grill, nice letters, geometrics, etc. Retail: \$31.00. NET: \$24.50.
- No. 8CC: 146 & 147(20) - "Paid All", (in both red and black), masonic, shield, propeller, nice stars & crosses. Retail: \$17.70. NET: \$13.50.
- No. 9CC: 146 & 147(20) - green, cross, heart, leaves, "Pre-Paid Quarterly", "Paid All", embossed seal cancel, etc. Retail: \$17.85. NET: \$13.50.
- No. 10CC: 146(20) - "Paid All" (in both red and black), stitch wmk., lovely green rosette, unusual stars, red & blue Carriers, etc. Retail: \$29.25. NET: \$23.50.
- No. 11CC: 146 & 157(19) - circled and boxed letters, Japanese, red "Paid All", "CB", red Wash. DC Local on small piece, etc. Retail: \$23.50. NET: \$17.50.
- No. 12CC: 146 & 157(17) - masonic, boxed "Short Paid", ultramarine, letters, NYC Cross, leaf, pelure paper, Wash. DC local, etc. Retail: \$20.50. NET: \$16.00.
- No. 13CC: 146 & 157(20) - leaves, shields, propeller, "Pre-Paid Quarterly", "F" in shield, sunface, nice crosses, etc. Retail: \$23.75. NET: \$18.50.
- No. 14CC: 3¢ Greens(20) - NY Foreign Tran., blue anchor, neg. cross on coffin, ocean mail, small bird, arrowheads, R.P.O., "OK" and "US", etc. Retail: \$22.00. NET: \$16.50.
- No. 15CC: 3¢ Greens(20) - masonic, checkerboard, leaves, "MB", neg. "US", rubber stamp cancel, numeral mask, "BKN", neg. "US", kicking Mule, etc. Retail: \$29.00. NET: \$23.50.
- No. 16CC: 3¢ Greens(20) - Waterbury leaf, "US", neg. "78", tombstone, 4 leaf clover, letters, lovely small circled cross, blue "IX", etc. Retail: \$39.25. NET: \$31.50.
- No. 17CC: 3¢ Greens(20) - jack-O-lantern, lead, beautiful geometrics, "PAID" in shield, Worcester Shield, pumpkin bug, framed cross, Danbury Hat, Neg. "HR", masonic, etc. Many desirable cancels. Retail: \$43.75. NET: \$34.50.
- No. 18CC: 3¢ Greens(20) - "Supplementary", cap in circle, circled "US", blue "&", Waterbury leaf, neg. "HL", circled "10", shields, numerals, etc. Retail: \$33.25. NET: \$26.50.
- No. 19CC: 3¢ Greens(20) - circled "W", Louisville punch, RR, Waterbury Leaf, "HP", masonic, "77", numerals, many nice items. Retail: \$29.25. NET: \$23.50.
- No. 20CC: 159 & 186(20) - large "T", mask, lovely grids, UNUSED 186 (cat. \$57.50 but has small faults inc. tear), plate no. single, many nice stamps. Retail: \$25.25. NET: \$19.50.
- No. 21CC: 10¢ Banknotes(20) - blue Maltese Cross, supplementaries, neg. "US", "Registered", blue "US", nice colored, nice stars, etc. Retail: \$41.00. NET: \$32.50.
- No. 22CC: 210(20) - odd anchor, numeral, neg. arrowhead, letter, shell, county PM, RR, 3 leaf clover, crosses, etc. Retail: \$23.40. NET: \$16.50.
- No. 23CC: 210(20) - RPO, "5", sponge, "POD", neg. heart, supplementary, circled "K", Skull & Crossbones, 3 leaf clover, etc. Many nice cancels. Retail: \$23.25. NET: \$16.50.
- No. 24CC: 213(20) - mask, letters, lovely stars, dollar sign in star, "REG", blue "Paris" transit, large red "PAID", "VT of Vermont", etc. Retail: \$14.60. NET: \$11.50.

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