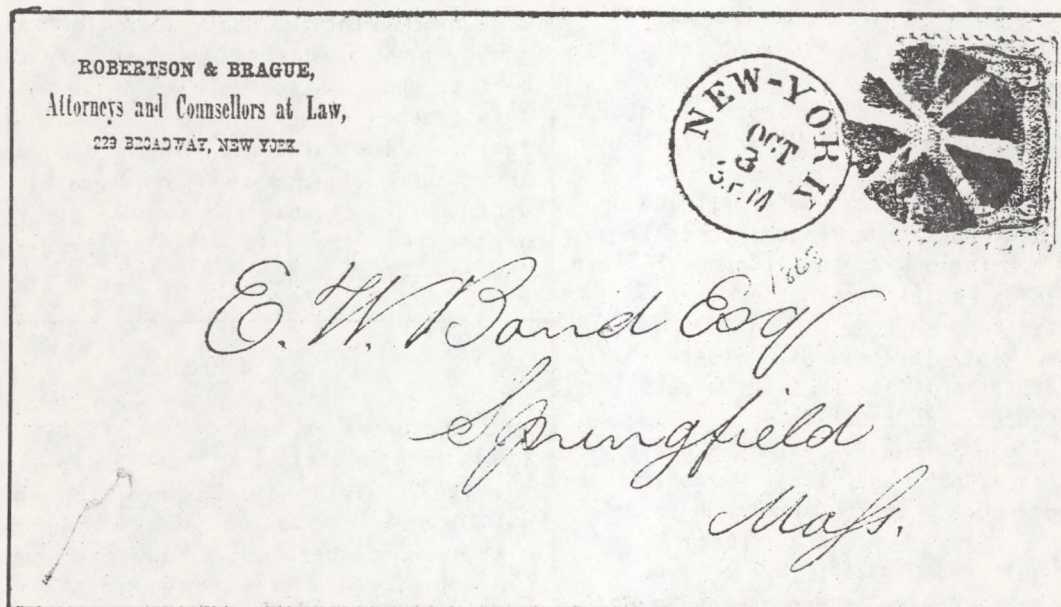




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The Jan. 1973 NEWS showed a very interesting postmark of the 1860's from Elyria, O. incorporating "P.M." with the date. We now show here a New York City cover with the exact time "3 P.M." on Oct. 3, 1868 - the year being identified by an enclosure. In many years of studying NYC postmarks I have seen no earlier use of the time element in a circular dating stamp. It may be significant that a separate obliterating stamp appears to have been used in this instance, although New York had been using duplex stamps since August 1860. It should be noted that, for a short period in the 1850's, the carrier departments in Boston, New Orleans, New York and Philadelphia used hand-stamps showing the hour of delivery on local mail. These markings are of odd shapes and are quite scarce.

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ELECTION OF OFFICERS

With this issue a ballot is enclosed for election of officers for 1974-75. We think the Nominating Committee named members well qualified to fulfill the duties of the offices to which they have been nominated. Please indicate your pleasure and return the ballot to the Secretary at 855 Cove Way, Denver, Colo. 80209

DUES

As has been our custom for several years we ask that you pay dues now for 1974. The amount is still only \$4.00 and paying now will save the Club some postage and the Sec'y some time. A number of member have paid the 1974 dues already and all of them should have their membership cards before this reaches them. Members who have enough material in the sales department to cover may have their dues charged to their accounts with the dept. In fact sometime shortly after the first of the year the file will be checked and this charge will be made.

THAMESPEX

The press release for THAMESPEX '73 arrived too late to be included in the September issue of the NEWS. This annual exhibition was held in October in New London, Conn. An especially attractive cacheted Cover was produced honoring USA achievements in outer space. These Covers may be secured from Dr. Clements E. Prokesch (#579), 30 Admiral Drive, New London, Conn. 06320. Price is 35¢ each, or 3 for \$1.00. Please enclose a stamped and addressed envelope #10 size with your order.

From Delf Norona (#62) comes a theory on the large handstamp "5" shown on page 70 of the May issue. He thinks it was applied by the addressee and has no significance as a Postal Marking.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS

- 234 Bruce W. Ball to P.O. Box 553, Fairhope, Ala. 36532 from Miami, Fla.
- 855 George H. Phillips to 21 Gresham Circle, Bella Vista, Ark. 72712 from Brookings, S. Dak.
- 864 Michael Laurence to 534 Stratford, Chicago, Ill. 60657 from 172 W. Menomonee, Chicago, Ill.
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The newly elected Board of Vice-Presidents of APS is made up of three members from the NEW ORLEANS area. Two of the three are also members of USCC, William H. Bauer (#834) and Hubert C. Skinner (#632).

At the Chicago Philatelic Society's 87th annual exhibition held in September, William K. Herzog(#879) received the Grand Award, the CPS Gold, a TMPS Plaque and an APS Medal for his exhibit of U.S. 1861-1868.

Arthur J. Rogers (#438) had an honorary Medal for "Trans-Mississippi Memorabilia".

Herman (Pat) Herst Jr. (#452) also received an award for an exhibit of Zeppelin Covers from Uruguay.

COLLECTION AND DISTRIBUTION WAGON SERVICE

by John W. Koontz (#993)

In 1896 just as in 1973 the Post Office was interested in speeding up the mails. So, on October 1, 1896 the short-lived experimental Collection and Distribution Wagon Service was inaugurated simultaneously in Washington, D.C. and New York City. The New York City wagons moved to Buffalo, N.Y. and then to St. Louis, Mo. The operation of this new service can best be described in the words of one of the original Washington drivers, Mr. Roland N. Jefferson who reported to C. M. Farquhar, (A.P.S. No. 15348):

"Upon reporting as ordered, on October 1st at 6 A.M., I found ready for me a large wagon, drawn by two horses, built on the order of an R.P.O. car of that date, with a letter case at the front end, running about one-third the length of the car on each side, a small rack for handling pouches or sacks and a place for postmarking letters. There were windows on each side and it was entered by steps to a door in the rear. Two city letter carriers were also assigned to the service.

"Leaving the Post Office, we proceeded to the nearby business section, where the carriers gathered mail from letter boxes and delivered it to the wagon to be postmarked and distributed. The mail received was distributed to best advantage in the limited space provided, 'directs' were made for large cities and other mail made up by states, except that for nearby states which could be divided between certain R.P.O.'s. On some trips all mail was carried to the Post Office for dispatch and further distribution; on other trips we made pouches direct for certain northern, southern, or western trains and delivered them at the depot. The mail was light on early trips, gradually increasing until late afternoon, when the quantity received was far too great to distribute or even postmark.

"It was noted that after this service had been in effect a few weeks there was a steady increase in the amount of mail received, also that business firms mailed earlier, some placing in the boxes all mail ready by noon instead of holding it for one dispatch late in the afternoon. They found that letters mailed at noon were dispatched direct to trains and were on their way to destination hours before they would have been collected for delivery to the post office. A considerable number of letters were also mailed in the wagon direct, by slots on each side."

The cancels illustrated are from C.M. Farquhar's article and typed by this author for classifying purposes. I am interested in compiling additional information on the extent of Wagon Cancels so if members would write me describing their covers, using the chart illustrated, I will attempt to list such information in a future article. I would like to know the city, type, date, trip and wagon number and the actual number of covers or cards on hand.

Collection & Distribution Wagon Service, cont.

Farquhar, C.M., "Collection and Distribution Wagon Service." The American Philatelist, Vol. 15, No. 12, September, 1938, P1183, Federalburg, MD. Other source material:

Pane, Bob., "Collection and Distribution Wagon Service Cancellations." The Postal Card Specialist, Vol. 1, No. 6, Jack Garner, Ed., Boston, Massachusetts.

Editor's Note: Mr. Koontz's address is 12114 Mackell Lane, Bowie, MD. 20715. See Page 85 for drawings and covers illustrating this article.

NOPEX 1973

At the Philatelic Exhibition staged in September by the CRESCENT CITY STAMP CLUB of New Orleans several members of USCC did quite well with their Exhibits.

Hubert C. Skinner (#632) received the Grant Award, the APS Medal, PHS Gold Medal, a NOPEX Gold Medal and the Warren P. Ware Trophy for his "New Orleans Postal History 1861-1865". Also he was awarded a NOPEX Gold Medal and the USCC Certificate for "N.O.U.S. City Post. 1851-1861".

William H. Bauer (#834) exhibited "Colorado Territory, 1859-1876" which took the Reserve Grand Award and a NOPEX Gold Medal. For his "Colorado County and Postmaster Town Markings" he received a NOPEX Silver Medal with Felicitations of the Judges.

Charles A. Miller (#918) won a NOPEX Gold Medal for "Mississippi during the Confederate Era".

"2¢ Washington Issue, 1922-1929" won a NOPEX Gold Medal and the BIA Trophy for Charles Yuspeh (#842)

M. Jack Reinhard (#1038) received a NOPEX Silver Medal and an American Philatelic Congress Silver Snifter for his "Basic Plate Positioning of the Bank Note Issues (1870-1890).

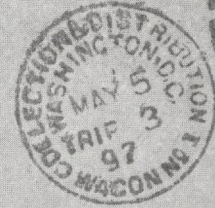
A NOPEX Bronze Medal went to William F. Rapp (#688) for "United States Machine Cancels, types and varieties".

An exhibit of "New York Foreign Mail Cancellations on the 6¢ Bank Note Issues" earned a NOPEX Silver Medal for Charles J. Reiling (#717).

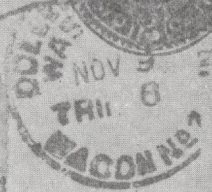
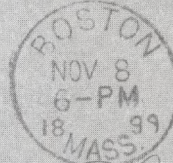
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Before his death Mr. Edward L. Willard (#125) sent in a number of drawings of RPO Postmarks. Before I had a chance to print them a note came from him asking me to hold up until he could complete some better drawings. They never came but the ones he sent appear to be O.K. so we are showing some of them on Page 87. More will appear in later issues. We understood that all were from covers in his possession with the 2¢ Brown stamp #210.

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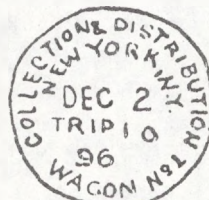


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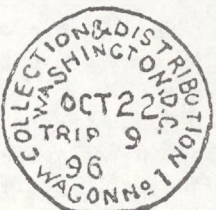
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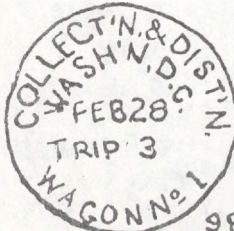
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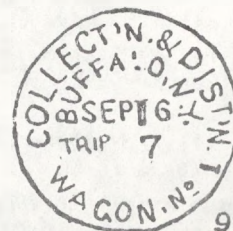
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BLACK CANCEL
ON # 213



BLACK CANCEL
ON # 213



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ON # 65



PURPLE CANCEL
ON # 213

Origin of the above?

Martin Klimko (#966)
3812 Rushland Ave.
Toledo, Oh. 43613

KC

Is this a Precancel?

Is it stencilled?

Where was it used?

Three copies were found in one accumulation, on Scott # 156.

If you know answers please write Mr. Kesterson or the editor.



This from Robert Boyd (#953) on 2¢ Brown (#210) not illustrated in Willard or Herst-Sampson. Can you give more information about it? Cancel is black and looks like a rather crude mask.

Please write Capt. R. S. Boyd, BDCS1, U. S. Army, 7th Army, APO, New York, 09403

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For some time now your Secretary has been getting through the mails information about this new combination of Philately and Numismatics. Recently Mr. Ray Baker came to Denver to attend the Rocky Mountain States Coin Show and to tell the PNC story. He told the story to your Secretary emphasizing it with a gift which included stamps, covers, postal Stationery, items of PNC interest and a catalogue. This was an outright postpaid gift with no strings attached. A similar gift under similar conditions will be sent to anyone interested enough to ask for it.

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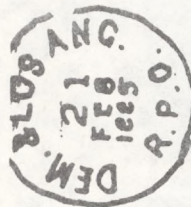
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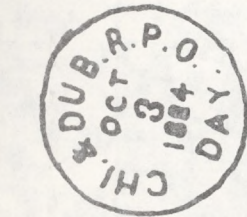
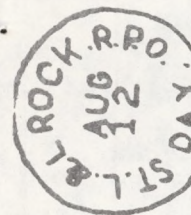
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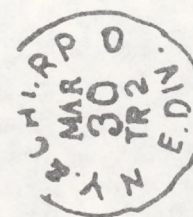
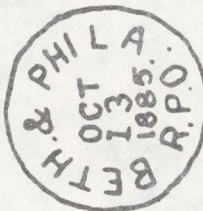
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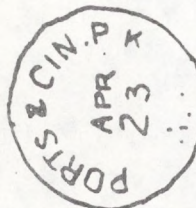
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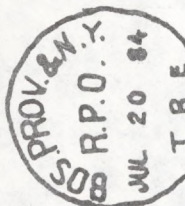
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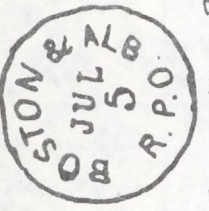
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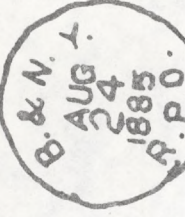
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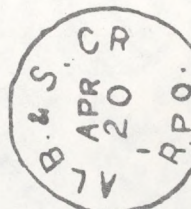
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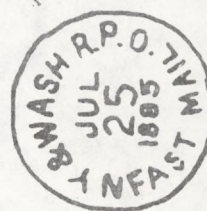
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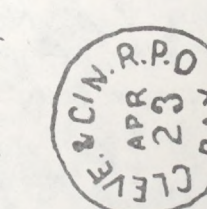
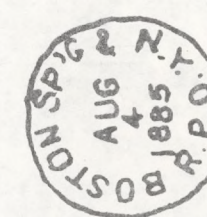
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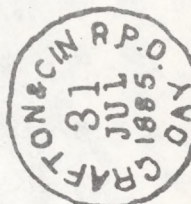
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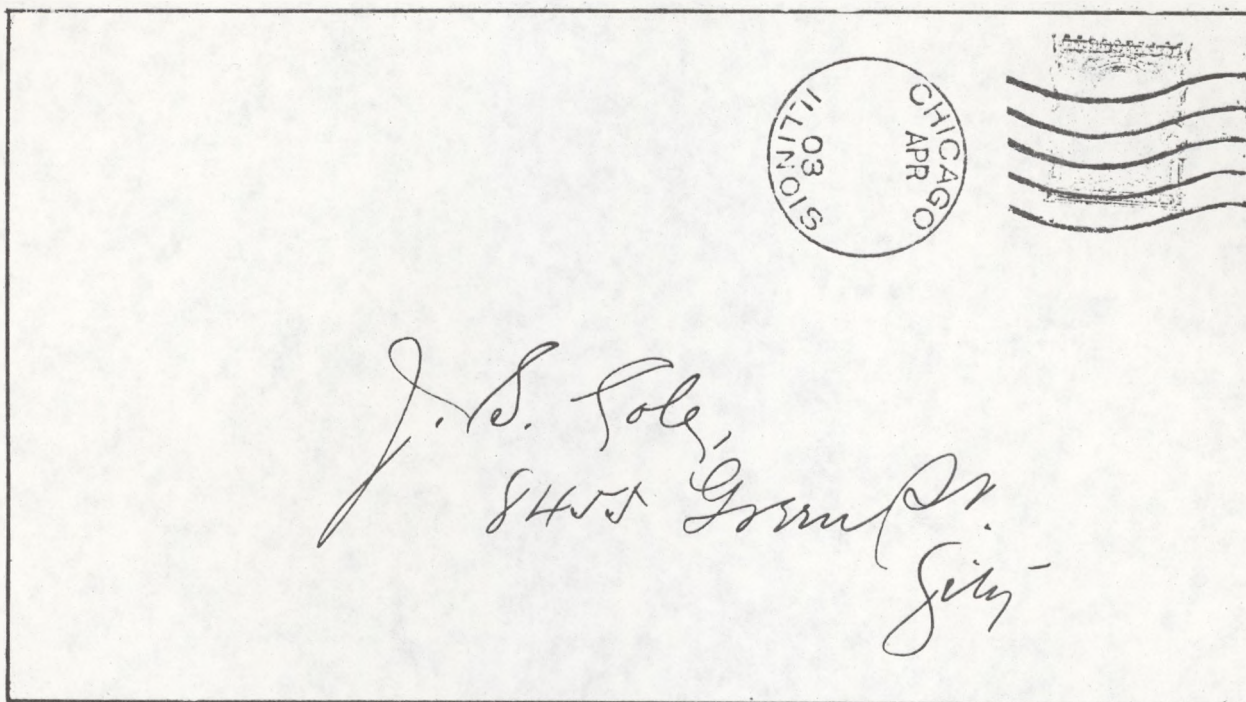


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5/3/73

Mr. Charles H. Root:

Dear Mr. Root -

The xerox of the above cover bears a machine cancellation for which I find no information in past issues of the Cancellation Club News. Perhaps you or some other knowledgeable person can identify the company that used it, the company's location, and the period and circumstances of its use. If necessary, a copy might be inserted in the News to tap the resources of the members.

Thanks for your help in this matter. It certainly is appreciated.

Sincerely,
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