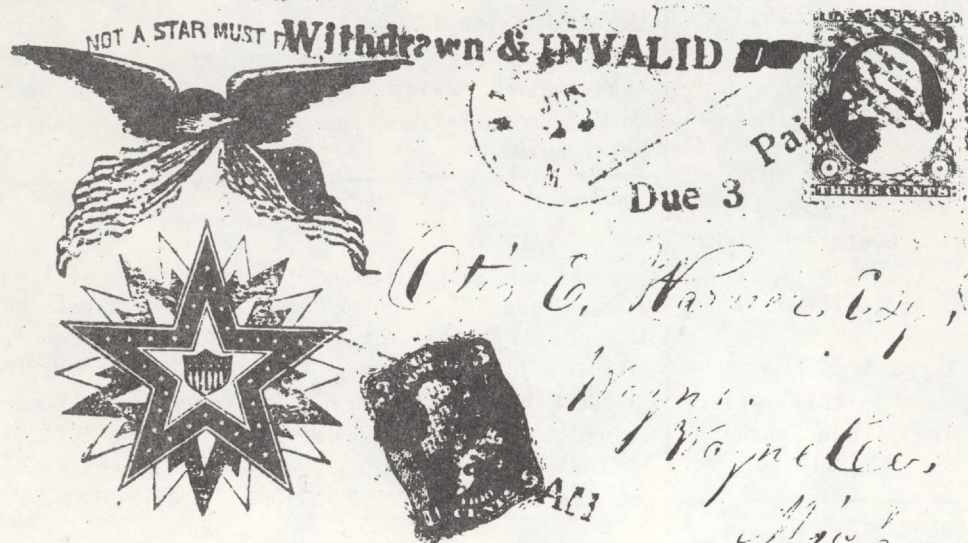




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This cover was just uncovered in central Michigan. Mailed from MARSHALL (?) MICH to Wayne, Mich. NOTE the "WITHDRAWN & INVALID" handstamp, DUE 3 and (2) PAID ALL (in red). The additional 3¢ looks like #88, which would indicate a late use of invalid 3¢ 1857 stamp. ANYBODY care to comment on this cover?????? All cancels black except the paid all which is red.

This was sent in by William C. Allen (#1026). It is a copy of an illustration on the front page of the PENINSULAR PHILATELIST of which Mr. Allen is Editor. This is a four times a year publication dedicated to Michigan Philately. Mr. Allen states that the markings probably were applied at Detroit. Anyone having further information will be doing us a favor by writing either your editor or Mr. Allen. His address: Box 51, East Lansing, Mich. 48823.



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ROSTER

As has been our custom for many years we include with the May issue of the NEWS an alphabetical as well as a geographical roster of our members in good standing.

Due to an ever increasing number of members and also to the increased cost of postage this has become an expensive service. Suggestions toward reducing this cost would be welcome.

INTERNATIONAL MACHINE CANCELS

1888-1910

by

Arthur H. Bond (#505)

USCC has undertaken to publish and distribute another book by Mr. Bond. It will be ready very soon, possibly by the time this reaches you. About the same size as the Barry Book it will sell for the same price, \$4.00, \$3.50 to members and \$2.50 each to dealers or others who order and pay for ten or more copies at once. Orders may be sent to U S Cancellation Club, 855 Cove Way, Denver, Colo. 80209.

CIAPEX 74

At the Exhibition of the Federation of Iowa Stamp Clubs held in Des Moines late in April the USCC Certificate was awarded to Catherine A. Knight of Lincoln Nebr. for "A PRESENTATION OF POSTAL MARKINGS". Arthur J. Rogers (#438) received the Grand Award for "GHOST POSTOFFICES OF POTTAWATTAMIE COUNTY" and Ruth Grissmann (#667) got a second for "UNITED NATIONS EUROPEAN OFFICES".

SALES DEPARTMENT

As usual we can use more material in all Categories. 43 circuits are out among the members. A few return nearly every week and one or two are sent out for which we need a continuing supply of new books. We like to keep two or three circuits out in each group depending on the size of the group. Some groups have only one at this time.

Please be advised that for small amounts, \$1.00 or less either coins or stamps with full gum are preferred over checks. We can use all values of stamps from \$1.00 down but can not use any but regular issues, no airmails or other special purpose stamps.

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## TIME MARKING MACHINES

On page 88 of the November 1973 NEWS we showed a cover belonging to Dr. Harvey Karlen (#1034). This article has brought some correspondence to Dr. Karlen as well as to your editor.

### IN RESPONSE TO "TIME MARKING MACHINE COMPANY"

The copy shown in the November issue, page 88, can be the earliest recorded issue of this company as the previous earliest known use was 1905.

The investors of this machine were employees of the "United States Postoffice Dept."--Chicago office and almost the entire development of the machine took place there.

The spelling of the state name and the wavy line are new to the record and more conclusive information must be obtained by additional specimens as they may exist in someone's collection.

The use of the type of mailing that this specimen shows - on third class usage - would be ideal for the purpose of experimental usage - testing of the basic machine.

The Time Marking Machine Company was not considered to be in competition with other manu-

facturers until 1904. The use of the machine in 1903 would be of an experimental nature.

The earliest use of one of their machines has been recorded as 1905 and until now has been considered the earliest known use.

The Company was given an order for machines which they unfortunately could not fill for this period (1904). The exact reason has not been thoroughly explained as yet.

Mr. Olson has made quite an exhaustive study of the Companies manufacturing Cancelling Machines and will be happy to answer questions about them from other members. Please supply stamped and addressed envelope for answer. His address: 2400 N. Grant Blvd., Milwaukee, Wis. 53210. He is about to publish a book about some problem machines.

Dr. Karlen also received letters on the subject, one even from England, suggesting that the cover was from a "Martindale Machine", Arthur Bond wrote him that it probably was from a "Time Marking Machine" and suggested some ideas for fruitful research which produced information from Chicago city directories reg. Ernest R. Malmberg, Benjamin F. Cummins and Warren B. Martindale all of whom appear to have had something to do with the "Time Marking Machine Co.".

Editor's note: Refer to article on this subject in the March issue, page 13.

## PAGE 21

On page 21 we show a page from the collection belonging to David Skowlund (#645). This is here not only because the Cover is a rare and desirable one but also to illustrate one member's idea of an attractive page for his collection.

Through the sponsorship of the Philatelic Classica Society Delf Norona (#62) the current Ashbrook Cup "For Many Years of writing on Postal History, Long Service to Philately and Contributions to the CHRONICLE".



## UNITED STATES

## COUNTY POSTMARKS

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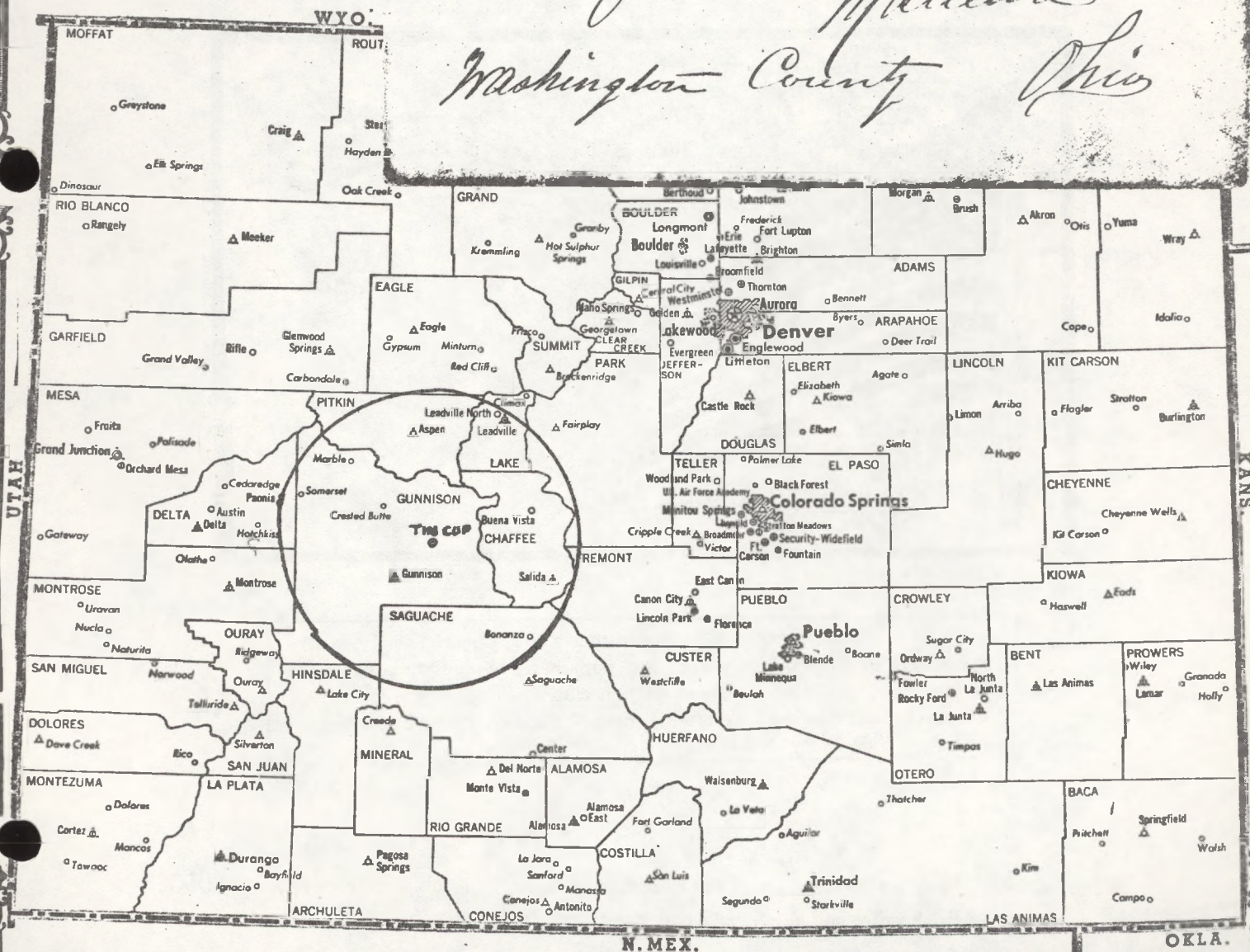
An 1880 mining town in central Colorado. Still shown on 1973 road maps with population less than 100 people. The United States post office has been discontinued.

*MARIETTA*

Double outer line 32 mm. circle with solid star (partial strike) duplex cancel of 3¢ blue green 1881 stamp (Scott #207).



*J. W. L. Brown Esq  
Marietta  
Washington County Ohio*





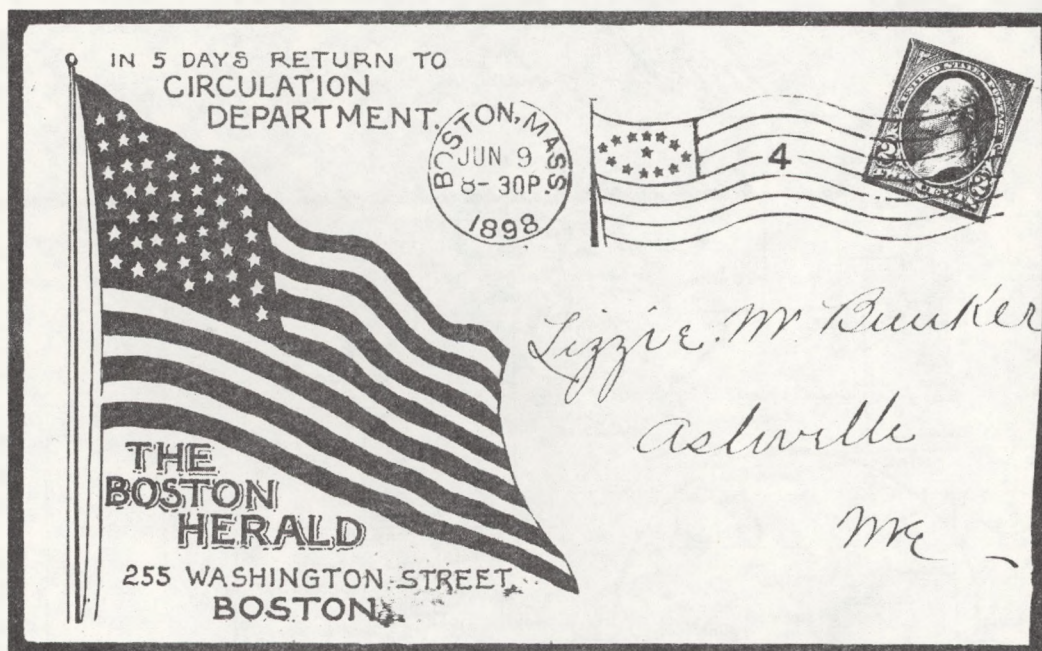
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## AN AMERICAN BEAUTY

Every once in a while we see a flag-cancel cover that makes us turn green with envy. Just such a cover is the one illustrated, from the collection of John Koontz, our friend in nearby Bowie, Md. What more could you want in a flag cover ?? I wish I could print it in full color so you could really see its outstanding beauty. Thanks for showing it to all of us, John.



Some of our readers may not be aware that a Flag Cancel Society exists. It was established in June of 1961 and publishes a bi-monthly publication for members. We heartily recommend this club to all flag cancel fans. For information write to the Secretary, Richard A. Saddler, 23 Stockton Street, Metuchen, New Jersey 08840.

Editor's note: Many active members of the Flag Cancel Society are also active members of USCC. Mr. Saddler and Mr. Koontz both mentioned on this page are two of them.





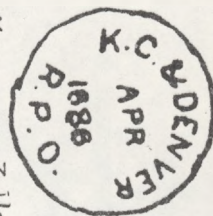
Shortly after the fine Lake Champlain S.B cover was acquired in a Siegel Auction, another cover from the same general area appeared. This one was found in an APS cover circuit by John L. Gemmill, the well-known expert on the Postal History of Westchester and Putnam Counties, New York, and very promptly removed and passed on to me.

Postmarked BENSON LANDING, VT., and dated Dec. 17, 1870 in a rimless circle. Addressed to Benson, Vt., it has manuscript markings in pencil, applied with a heavy hand "Due 1 cts" and "Insufficient Postage."

Reference to a modern map of Vermont shows Benson, a town of fewer than 250 inhabitants, about 4 miles East of Lake Champlain, but no reference to Benson Landing. However, a map of the Lake Champlain area, associated with an article by Dr. Donald B. Johnstone of South Burlington, Vt., in the Postal History Journal, No 5, June 1960, (Vol. 4 No 1, Whole No 5) entitled "U.S.-Inland Waterways" shows Benson Landing as being on the East bank of Lake Champlain about halfway between Whitehall and Ticonderoga. No doubt Benson Landing had some importance as a port for the lake steamers in the days before the railroad, but it disappeared after 1875, when the Vermont railroad was completed along the lake shore, and steamboat service ended. Since Benson is 4 miles distant from Benson Landing, this meant that the letter had to "go through the mail," taking the First Class rate of the day, 3¢. Thus the justification for the "Due 1 cts" marking. The conservative Vermont Postmaster wanted what was rightfully due, by Postal Regulations, but assessed no penalty.

Paul J. Wolf (#743)

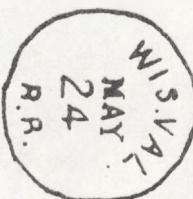




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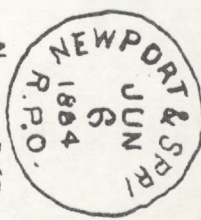
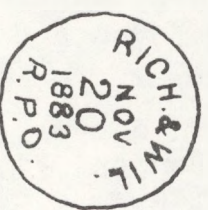
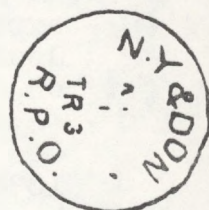
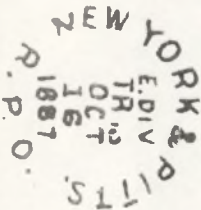
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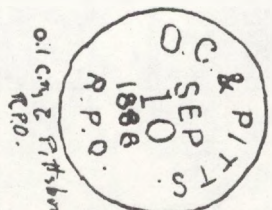
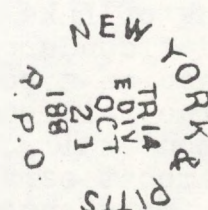
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