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# Private Cigarette and Little Cigar Labels

in Lieu of Federal Tax Stamps Since June 24, 1959

#### Glenn E. Compton, ARA 315

The first of these labels that attracted my attenion was one from a pack of regular "Camels," R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, Figure #1, which reads "Federal stamps no longer required" in the center of the label in four lines and "Class A 20 Cigarettes" at each end. At this time I did not know that the use of federal stamps was being discontinued, so I was rather surprised at not seeing To Witt Clinton's picture on the label. The next day I acquired a regular pack of "Lucky Strike," American Tobacco Company, Figure 2, with a different label. This one has an Indian facing left in the upper portion and "20 Class A Cigarettes" at the bottom. Both of these are printed on blue paper that resembles the federal revenue paper in color. When I had about 10 of these new labels, the pattern developing was a different label for e.ch tobacco company.

The June, 1959 issue of the American Revenuer mentioned that the U.S. I. R. stamps were being discontinued on cigarette packs and tobacco products, offective June 24, 1959. After reading this article I really started checking various cigarette brands just to see how many different I could come up with. I started to collect the labels that were appearing on other tobacco products, smoking, chewing, twists, plug, snuff and roll your own. All these were mounted under their respective company approximately as they were being found, noting the brand that the label was used on. After a short time I noticed that the labels were being omitted on some of the tobacco products mentioned above. I then accelerated my efforts to try to ret as many d'fferent kinds of these, labels as possible before they disappeared.

Becoming interested in knowing what method of printing was used to produce these labels, and the size of the sheets printed, I started writing to the various tobacco companies attempting to obtain this information before it became lost. From June 1959 to December, 1960, 40 tobacco companies had been sent letters. 16 of them replied, some with some samples of their labels, some with just a little information, majority with no information at all. Part of the most informative letter that I received is quoted here: "The stock for these labels is purchased in sheets 17 x 22 inches of 18 pound grain substance. We purchased it through a jobbing house in Philadelphia and it is pro-

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duced by the Champion Paper in Ohio. We use the stock the government formerly used to print their stamps and special permission was granted to the tobacco industry by the government before Champion Paper could release the stock." Letter dated Jan. 20, 1960.

The first 20 or so labels were all on the blue type paper like the federal stamps showing DeWitt Clinton. I have never checked the mess of labels on blue paper to see if any of them has the U S I R double line watermark, no doubt they exist. I did find the watermark on a 14oz. label (I don't have this anymore) from smoking tobacco by American Tobacco Company.

It was now apparent that the letter writing was not obtaining the results that I had hoped for, so I decided to concentrate on the cigarette and little cigar labels. These, which now numbered around 100 different, were mounted under the company that made the cigarette brand and a note as to that brand, and the year, if known, that it was first used. The dimensions were also included. If the label has a border the dimensions are to it, if not, they are to the edges of the label. All dimensions are listed in millimeters. Through correspondence, became acquainted with several ì. ARA members, that were interested in the labels. A notice was put in the March, 1962, issue of the American Revenuer telling all of the attempt to organize some type of listing and that help and samples of any material were needed. Thanks to the following ARA members for their help and encouragement with the listing: Maurice Fox, Dick Green, Edward Held, A. C. Stagg, Frank Sternad and Henry Tolman. With the help of these members. the list has grown to 8 pages of labels and 8 pages of descriptions, a total of 268 varieties; 26 of them are



little cigars and the rest cigarette labels. ALL LABELS are imperforate except two: Georgopulo #2, (see figure #19) which is perforated  $12\frac{1}{2}$ and P. Lorillard #36, which is a rouletted, vertical coil label.

A sample listing of how the labels are described:

Continental Tobacco Company 1. Blue, 16x41, 1966. MONACO.

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The descriptions are listed on one page and a picture of the original labels are on the other page. The dimensions given can be taken as approximate as variations could occur in cutting at different printings. The tobacco companies (30 different companies) and the number of varieties of labels they have used are shown here:

	1	Little	
Company Cigare	ette (	Cigar	See
		abel	
American Tobacco Co.	41	1	2, 3
Bantam Cigar Corp.		2	,
Black Tobacco Co.		1	
Brand "X" Enterprise	1		
Bravo Smokes Inc.	1		
Brown & Williamson	40		4.5
Continental-Bristol Corp	. 1		,
Continental Tobacco Co.	3	1	
Dosal & Mendex Tobac.		1	
D.W.G. Cigar Corp.		1	
H. Fendrich Inc.	_	1	
G A. Georgopulo & Co	2		19
Larus & Bros. Co., Inc.		1	6, 20
Lee Tobacco Co.	1	_	7
Liggett & Myers Tob. 13	3(14	?)—	8
Mail Pouch Tobacco Co.		·	
P. Lorillard Co.	44	3	9
Permit C-10 Ky.		1	
Philip Morris Inc.	<b>29</b>	1	10
Piccadilly Tobacco Co.	_	1	
R. J. Reynolds Tob. Co.	21	—	
-		1,	11,12
Riggio Tobacco Corp.	3(4?	)	13
Rum & Maple Tob. Co.	6		6
Sears & Roebuck Co.	4		6
Shop-Rite	1		
Stephano Brothers	13	5	14,
		15,	16,17
Tampa Products Co.		1	
U. S. Tobacco Co.	1/1	2	13,18
Warren Tobacco Co		1	
Wolf Brothers		2	

The majority of the labels printed between 1959 and 1963 were printed on blue paper similar to the federal paper. After 1963 the labels started appearing in many colors. Some of them are in one color and some in combination colors. A few colors used are black, blue, brown, cherry, green, gold, maroon, olive, orange, red, silver, tan and yellow. It would be advisable to mention not to soak any of this latter group of labels, as the printing might wash off. I have had this happen to me on one occasion and don't want to take the chance of losing a label this way. Six of these labels have been printed in 4 colors, A.T.C. #7 (see figure 3), 11, 33 and 41, P. Morris Co. #17 (see figure 10) and #23. Ninety labels have blue of various shades, 10 show filter ends of cigarettes, 10 show lions, 47 show tobacco leaves. This gives a little idea

of the variety of labels that have been printed.

I am going to make just a small mention of the Brown & Williamson (B & W) overprints on the labels. These exist on B&W #1 (see figure 4) and #2 labels. The numbers that I have are: 925, 927 to 950, 952, 1001 to 1026, 1028. These numbers appear on B & W #1. Numbers appearing on E & W #2 are: 1022 to 1026, 1028 to 1051. These and other B & W overprints are covered very nicely in two articles by Ogden D. Scoville, ARA 531, appearing in the American Revenuer March, 1964, issue and the June 1967, issue.

On going over the listing here you will probably notice that figure 6 is listed for L & B, R & M, and Sears. This is the usage and it will get you to wondering as I did when I ran across them. The question is: does R & M make the cigarettes for Sears? Or does L & B? And are L & B and R & M connected in some way? Same as figure 13, Riggio and U. S. Tobacco Co. U. S. Tobacco Co. makes the Stephano products now (they didn't in 1959) and some of the Stephano labels appear similar to Sears labels. The making up of this listing has been most interesting. In working with and compiling information on the labels I have heard of some cigarette brands but have never seen them to determine if they had a particular label all their own. Here is a listing of these cigarettes:

American Tob. Co.—Capstan, 3 Castles.

- B & W-Breeze, Coronet.
- Edwin Tobacco Co., 1141 Broadway, N. Y. 10011—Carriage Trade, Cookie Jar.
- L & M-Coupon, Embassy.
- Leighton Tob. Co., N. Y.-Phantom, Capri, Rainbows.
- North American Cigarette Manufacturers, Inc., 515 Madison Ave., N. Y. 10022-Diplomat.
- P. Lorillard Co-Beechnut.
- United States Tob. Co.-Medley

Some cigarettes listed but do not know the manufacturer — Banquet, Gold Flake, Grey, Kensitas. Anyone seen these or know of them?

Two labels that I have heard of but

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have never seen—Green Lions on Gold —used on U. S. Tob. Co. King Sano? Red on white paper—used on U. S. Tob. Co. Mapleton?

No doubt there are other existing labels that have not been covered by my listing and I would be pleased in hearing from anyone with the same interest.

Anyone interested in receiving a copy of the latest listing of these cigarette and little cigar labels can, for three 6c mint commemorative plate blocks, receive the listing plus a few of the duplicate labels I have on hand.

#### THE FISCAL BOOKSHELF By "Fiscophilius"

(Editor's note: "Fiscophilius" will review all books pertaining to revenue stamp collecting which are submitted to the American Revenuer for review. His identity will remain secret as he has requested that this be done; however, he has been a student of revenue stamps for over fourteen years and is well qualified to handle this department of our journal.)

Springer's Handbook of North American Cinderella Stamps, Including Taxpaid Revenues, Fifth Edition, by Sherwood Springer.

After a four year absence, ARA member Springer is back on the literature scene with the fifth edition of his popular catalog. In some ways this edition is a bit of a disappointment, in that many toxpaid categories covered in the previous editions have been deleted from the present one. However, the areas covered have been vastly expanded and improved.

In this edition the Distillery Warehouse stamps have been illustrated for the first time and five new items have been added to the listings. Brewcr's Permits, Fermented Liquor Export, and General Bonded Warehouse stamps have been listed for the first time and have all been illustrated.

This edition also gives a virtually complete listing of Tobacco Strip stamps which is profusely illustrated. This section is a real "must" for collectors of these issues, although your reviewer found the pricing of the earlier items to be a bit on the low side based upon recent sales in this field.

A new section on Match and Medicine Essays has been added to the 1970 edition, the first listing of these interesting items in ten years, and the only one in a handbook, the previous one being that of Brazer and Holcombe which the Essay-Proof Journal serialized in 1958 through 1960. The License and Royalty stamp section has been greatly expanded from the previous edition and is well worth a peek.

Overall, the volume which sells for two dollars is well worth the price, and can be obtained from the author at 3761 West 117th St., Hawthorne California 90250.

A copy has been donated to the ARA Library.

The Illustrated Guide to Collecting Bottles, by Cecil Munsey.

ARA member Munsey is primarily a glazophile, and has made a major contribution to the hobby of bottle collecting in creating this 308 page volume. This book is well produced and runs the gamut of bottles from ancient to modern times, but its interest to fiscalists is necessarily very limited.

Medicine bottles, bitters bottles, and perfumery bottles make very interesting collateral material for a collection of private die proprietary stamps, and many of these bottles are described and illustrated in Mr. Munsey's book. Chapters are also devoted to items which are collateral material for both philatelists and glazophiles, such as advertisements and trade cards.

Private die proprietary stamps and encased postage stamps are also given coverage as collateral material, but this coverage is necessarily brief as the work is primarily devoted to bottle collecting.

Your reviewer cannot recommend that a philatelist spend \$9.95 on this beautiful book, a product of Hawthorn Books, Inc., unless he is also a bottle collector. However, if the latter is the case it would be an excellent addition to your library.

The publishers have donated a copy to the ARA library.



#### Your Editor's Sounding Board

N. Y. Chapter—The New York Chapter of the ARA meets on the first Thursday of each month at the Collectors Club, 22 East 35th Street, Manhattan, at 8 p.m. If you should be in New York, come down and meet some of the people I write about.

ARA Convention Next Year? The ARA has been invited to hold a convention in connection with the Trans-Mississippi Philatelic Exhibition next fall in Bloomington, Illinois. Such a convention would be the first the ARA has held in nine years and would give the membership an opportunity to match up faces with names.

Such a convention could well be the springbeard from which to launch our 25th Anniversary in 1972, as we could form a number of committees at the convention to carry out plans for a gala year.

I strongly urge the Board of Directors to authorize such a convention. The Board should also authorize a number of awards for revenue exhibits as an inducement to participation by our membership.

If at least ten percent of the members exhibit a frame apiece we'll have a respectable showing at the exhibition and get to know one another as well.

**Freebies Again**—Captain Anthony Hill writes that he still has some of the circa 1966 1c violet Narcotic stamps left which were offered in the September issue for a self-addressed stamped envelope. If you'd like one, here's his new address: CPT Anthony W. Hill, 418 Karen Lane, San Antonio. Texas 78209.

Sold Out—Please delete these issues from the list of back issues for sale which appeared on the back page of the October Revenuer: February 1958, May 1958, and February 1961. If you want all of the remaining issues, you'd better order them in a hurry, as there are many of which only one, two, or three copies are still available.

Pay Your Dues-Come on gang, the

list of people who haven't paid their dues as of November 1st appears to comprise about half our membership. Most astonishing of all, it appears that most of our officers haven't paid up yet. You know the ARA can't be run on air, so please, everybody, do your part.

Write An Article—Our backlog of articles for the Revenuer is fast depleting. Although I know that many of the "regulars" will come through with new articles, I'd like to see a few new names appear on by-lines. By the time this issue reaches you we may well be completely out of material, so unless you want a smaller Revenuer in the ensuing months, get cracking now and see your own name in print.

Membership Applications—As I mentioned last month, application blanks can be had for a stamped, self-addressed business-size envelope. If you can use any please drop me a line. I'm sure most of you have friends who would like to join the ARA, as I've sponsored at least half a dozen people in the past year or so.

Silver Jubilee-1972 is fast approaching, and we still haven't got any definite plans. Here are my latest thoughts: 1) An updated Springfield List, consisting of checklists of all taxpaids which have been published in the past several years. This would require obtaining permission from various publishers to use their material, as well as filling in whatever gaps we can on our own. 2) A new world revenue catalog, which would consist of the old 1915 Forbin, the various country catalogs which have since been published, and the checklists which have appeared in the American Revenuer.

Those are my ideas, how about yours?

Lou	Alfano,	Editor
	(ARA	1142)

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# THE REVENUE STAMPS OF FIUME

### By William Ittel, ARA 519, and Domenico Facci, ARA 892

#### (Continued from last issue)

The stamps catalogued are, more-or-less, the war years and the semiautonomous regimes:

- **A**. Provisional governments 1918-1924
  - Issues of the National Council 1.
  - 2 Issues of the D'Annunzio Free Corps
  - Issues of the Constituent Assembly 3.
  - 4. Issues of the Second Constituent Assembly
  - 5. Issues for special purposes
- Β. Military Occupations 1945-1947
  - 1. Italian occupation of Fiumano-Kupa
  - 2. Yugoslav Occupation of Istria, Slovenia and Fiume

2.

- C. Local Government
  - Fiume 1
  - 2. Susak-Krk
  - 3. Susak

It is no doubt evident that pricing of these stamps is difficult. Few are in existence, but on the other hand, very few change hands. These are educated guesses with the paranthetical remark that if demand should increase they would be much too low. In most cases it is much harder to come by mint copies of these stamps. The one exception would be Susak-Krk, where the chances are perhaps fifty-fifty.

#### A. PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT 1. National Council Issues



1918 Revenue stamps of Hungary. issues of 1914 and 1917 dated "1914" in seven different designs, with black machine overprint FIUME at the bottom and eight negative stars at the top. Sheet watermark of undulaing lines forming vertical-standing patriarchal cross. Perforated 12x12 and 11½x11½ (scarce).

2F Blue/grey \_\_\_\_\_ \$ .05 1. a. Horizontal watermark .10

4f Rose/grey 3. 6f Brown/grey .05 8f Orange/grey \_\_\_\_\_.55 4. 5. a. Horizontal watermark .15 6. 7. 8. 24f Orange/green \_\_\_\_\_.80 9. 10. 11. 38f Green/rose \_\_\_\_\_.10 12. a. Horizontal watermark .30 50f Brown/red 13. .30 a. Horizontal watermark .90 14. 64f Violet/yellow brown \_\_\_\_\_.10 15. a. Horizontal watermark .0516. 17. 80f Green/sky bue (1917) \_\_\_\_.30 18. 19. 1k20f Green/lilac \_\_\_\_\_25 20.1k25f Rose/bistre (1917) \_\_\_\_\_.80 21. 1k26f Brown/grey-violet \_\_\_\_ 2522.23.1k75f Violet/orange (1917) \_ .45 1k80f Orange/violet \_\_\_\_\_ .55 24.25.1k88f Olive/violet \_\_\_\_\_ 1.60 26. 2k Brown/grey \_\_\_\_\_.55 27. 2k50f Red/blue \_\_\_\_\_.80 28.3k Blue/grey-blue \_\_\_\_\_ 5.60 29.4k Orange/blue-violet \_\_\_\_ 2.35 305k Violet/blue-violet \_\_\_\_\_ 2.35 6k Myrtle green/green \_\_\_\_ 1.55 31. 32.8k Blue/green \_\_\_\_\_ 1.55 33. 10k Violet/bistre \_\_\_\_\_.95 34.12k Red-violet/green \_\_\_\_\_.95 35. 14k Violet/bistre \_\_\_\_\_.95

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.35

36. 2	Ok Slate/bistre80
37. 2	4k Brown/lilac 2.19
38. 3	0k Blue/violet95
<b>39.</b> 4	0k Myrtle green/bistre95
40. 8	0k Red-violet/green (1917) 2.00
The d	esigns are 1) Hungarian crown.
2) A1	cher on horse, 3) St. Laszlo, 4)
St. I	stvan equestrian, 5) St. Istvan
pedes	trian, 6) Cross and Hungarian
crowr	, and 7) Franz Josef equestrian.

#### Watermark Varieties

The base stamps are all known with horizontal watermark. However, only the five denominations listed above have been found with the FIUME overprint.

#### **Plate Varieties**

Color variations (and double perforations) are found. Differences will also be noted in the FIUME overprint, especially in the letters F, M and E. One stamp in each sheet had the period after FIUME omitted (ten times catalogue value) and the 14f and 30f values are known with the star overprint missing (\$5.00 each). 2k50f has been reported with inverted overprint.

Various cliches also contained inverted stars in the upper overprint. In each sheet of 100 there are:

22 with all eight stars correct (R)

- 22 with fourth star inverted (4)
- 26 with fifth star inverted (5)
- 2 with sixth star inverted (6)
- 28 with eighth star inverted (8)

Reading the stars from left to right. For stamps with the sixth star inverted, multiply catalogue value by ten. The sheet arrangement was as follows:

1919 Definitive issue in two designs (flag and clock tower). Perforated 11x11.

41.	8c Violet	.50
42.	50c Orange	.05
43.	1C Light brown	.05



44.	1C 50c Sky blue65
45.	1C 88c Dark brown65
46.	2C Ochre
47.	2C 50c Bistre60
48.	3C Rose-violet35
49.	4C Olive
50.	5C Brown 35
51.	6C Sky blue45
52.	8C Yellow
53.	10C Olive 55
54.	12C Green 1.85
55.	14C Slate grey 1.85
56.	20C Grey 1.50
57.	24C Blue 1.85
58.	30C Reddish brown85
59.	40C Violet 1.10
60.	50C Brown 3.00

#### 2. D'Annunzio Free Corps Issues



1919 Postage stamps of 1919 inscribed FIUME, overprinted in black

MARCA DA BOLLO and with new value: On issue of a) January 30 on coarse, greyish, opaque paper, b) Mar. 2 on thin white semi-transparent paper, frequently roughly perforated, and c) April 3 on smooth white paper. Perforated 11½x11½.

C1 <b>B</b> .	2c on 5C Brown
61C.	2e on 5C Brown ?
	10c on 1C Bistre05
62C.	10c on 1C Bistre?

1919 Prepared but not issued postacce stamps of 1919 inscribed
POSTA FIUME overprinted in black
M/RCA DA BOLLO and with new value. Perforated 11½x11½. No. 64

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also 101/2 x101/2 and 13x121/2 (sca	arce).
63. 2c on 5C Brown	05
64. 10c on 1C Bistre	05
65. 14c on 1C Bistre	05
66. 20c on 2C Sky blue	05
67. 26c on '1C Bistre	05
68. 30c on 1C Bistre	05
69. 38c on 1C Bistre	05
70. 40c on 2C Sky blue	05
71. 60c on 2C Sky blue	05
72. 64c on 1C Bistre	.10
73. 80c on 1C Bistre	15
74. 1C on 3C Rose	05
75. 1C 26c on 2C Sky blue	.10
76. 1C 88c on 2C Sky blue	05
77. 2C on 3C Rose	05
78. 3C on 10C Olive green	<b>1</b> 0
79. 4C on 10C Olive green	15
80. 5C on 10C Olive green	.10
81. 8C on 10C Olive green	.30

The base stamps were not issued for postal purposes after printing because a large quantity were stolen. Instead they were used up internally with fiscal overprint.

#### **Plate Varieties**

61. Two overprint, one inverted\_ 2.00 63. Cent 20 instead of Cent 2 \_ 3.00 64. Cent 10 printed twice \_\_\_\_ 4.00 63-81 "A" of "DA" omitted in

overprint \_\_\_\_\_ 10xCat.



1920 Postage stamps of 1919-1920 overprinted BOLLO in black and with new value in lire. a) On issue of December 3, 1919 with base stamp overprint "Valore globale" in thin letters or b) On issue of February 5, 1920 with same in thicker, boldface type.

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A	В
82. 0.02L on 3C Brown-grey .05	.05
83. 0.04L on 3C Brown-gsey .25	.40
84. 0.06L on 3C Brown-grey .25	.40
85. 0.08L on 3C Brown-grey .25	.45
86. 0.10L on 5C Brown05	.05
87. 0.14L on 2C Red-brown05	?
88. 0.20L on 3C Brown-grey .05	?
89. 0.26L on 3C Brown-grey .05	?
90. 0.30L on 5C Brown05	.05
91. 0.38L on 10C Violet —	.15
92. 0.40L on 5C Brown05	.05
93. 0.50L on 5C Brown05	.05
94. 0.60L on 2C Red-brown .05	?
95. 0.64L on 10C Violet	.05
96. 0.80L on 10C Violet —	.05
97. 1.00L on 5C Brown05	.05
98. 1.26L on 10C Violet	.10
99. 1.50L on 3C Brown-grey .25	.50
100. 1.88L on 10C Violet	.05
101. 2.00L on 10C Violet —	.05
102. 2.50L on 10C Violet —	.05
103. 3.00L on 10C Violet —	.05
104. 4.00L on 10C Violet —	.10
105. 5.00L on 2C Red-brown .05	?
106. 6.00L on 10C Violet	.10
107. 8.00L on 10C Violet	.20
108. 10.00L on 10C Violet	.10
The same with overprint in red.	
109. 0.02L on 3C Brown-grey .30	.05
110. 0.20L on 3C Brown-grey .05	.10
111. 0.50L on 3C Brown-grey ?	.05
112. 1.00L on 3C Brown-grey ?	.05
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1920 Prior issue with another new value overprinted in black (centesimi values) or green (lire values), the base stamp Valore globale overprint in thick OR thin letters 0.10L on 0.38L on 10C \_\_\_\_\_ .05 113. 114. 0.20L on 0.38L on 10C ..... .05 0.20L on 0.60L on 2C \_\_\_\_\_ .05 115. 0.20L on 0.64L on 10C \_\_\_\_ .10 116. 117. 0.30L on 0.80L on 10C \_\_\_\_\_ .10 118. 0.40L on 4.00L on 10C \_\_\_\_\_ .10 1.00L on 0.80L on 10C \_\_\_\_ .10 119. 1.00L on 6.00L on 10C \_\_\_\_ .10 120. 1.00L on 8.00L on 10C \_\_\_\_\_ .10 121.

The base stamps for 82-121 are imprinted POSTA DI FIUME three times on the gummed side The base stamps are known with inverted VALORE GLOBALE overprints. We have found none of these varieties with additional fiscal overprint.

#### **Plate Varieties**

I late	valieues
82.	Missing "i" in Lire 1.00
86.	Fiscal overprint inverted _ 1.50
86.	Missing "i" in Lire 1.50
88.	Missing "i" in Lire 1.00
94.	Missing "V" in Valore 1.00
95.	Fiscal overprint inverted _ 2.00
97.	Fiscal overprint inverted _ 2.50
97.	"Lier" instead of "Lire" _ 1.50
97.	Period after dash: 1 2.00
100.	Fiscal overprint inverted _ 1.50
100.	Narrower "1" in "1.88" 1.25
100.	Double "Valore Globale" _ 1.50
101.	Fiscal overprint inverted _ 6.00
101.	"Lier" instead of "Lire" _ 1.50
101.	Missing "ll" in "Bollo" 1.00
103.	"Lier" instead of "Lire" _ 2.00
108.	Imperforate vertically 15.00
115.	Overprint in green-blue10
116.	Overprint in green-blue20
119.	Overprint in black 2.00
121.	Overprint lines joined 1.00

#### 3. Costituent Assembly Issues



Postage stamp issue of Febru-1921ary 2, 1921 overprint BOLLO in black and with new value in Lire. Perforated 111/2x111/2. 122. 0.02L on 30c Chocolate \_\_\_\_ 123. 0.02L on 45c Olive \_\_\_\_\_ .05 0.02L on 55c Yellow \_\_\_\_\_ .05 124. 125. 0.10L on 30c Chocolate \_\_\_\_ 05 0.14L on 30c Chocolate \_\_\_\_ 3.00 126. 127. 0.20L on 30c Chocolate \_\_\_\_\_ .05 128. 0.30L on 3L Green \_\_\_\_\_ .25 129. 0.30L on 5L Yellow-brown .25 0.50L on 30c Chocolate ..... .05 130. 131. 1.00L on 10L Grey-violet \_ .05 The same with additional greyish overprint at the bottom LIRE UNA. 132. 0.02L on 1L on 30c Chocolate .05

133. 0.04L on 1L on 30c Chocolate .55 134. 0.06L on 1L on 30c Chocolate .30 135.0.08L on 1L on 30c Chocolate .50 136. 1.00L on 1L on 30c Chocolate .05 137. 1.26L on 1L on 30c Choc. \_ 6.00 1.50L on 1L on 30c Chocolate .10 138. 139. 1.88L on 1L on 30c Choc. \_ 5.00 Prior issue with another value overprinted in black. 140. 0.10L on 0.06L on 1L on 30c Chocolate \_\_\_\_\_.35 0.10L on 0.08L on 1L on 141. 142. 0.10L on 4.00L on 1L on 30c Chocolate \_\_\_\_\_.20 Plate Varieties 123. Overprint inverted \_\_\_\_\_ 2.00 123. Part of overprint missing \_ 1.50 124. Part of overprint missing \_ 1.25 Thin "e" in "Lire" \_\_\_\_\_ .55 124. 125.Part of overprint missing \_ 1.00 140. 0.10L on 1L on 30c \_\_\_\_\_ 10.00



1921 Postage stamp issue of April 24, 1921, overprinted in black BOLLO and with new value in Lire. Perforated 11½x11½.

143. 0.26 on 3L on 3C Grey-brn. 40 144. 0.60L on 10L on 10C Violet .25 145. 1.00L on 10L on 10C Violet .20 Prior issue with another value overprinted in black.

146.	0.10L on 0.26L on 3L on
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	square 2.00
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Resigned	3
Current membership total 46	8

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#### Changes and Additions to

Yearbook Specialty Listings

- 1091 BRANDT, John L., General worldwide; worldwide prfin rev.
- 611 CAMERON, Byron R., U. S. Scott-listed, Jamaica.
   1.175 GAUCHET, Maurice. All U. S.,
- 1175 GAUCHET, Maurice. All U. S., Canada, Mexico, Switzerland, Latin Am.
- 1072 HUFFMAN, Myron R., Add: used special tax.
- 1246 NATHAN, Bernard, Add: U.S. telegraphs and rev. stped paper
  - 24 NORRIS, Wililam T., Add: Meters.
- 1048 SHAW, William H. Mexico and foreign pre-1914.
- 1206 VENN, Porter W., General U. S. revs.
- 1136 WAGNER, Cdr. Robert M., All Scott-listed U. S. revs.

#### ITALIAN MUNICIPAL REVENUES G. M. Abrams

I have recently acquired a collection of about 4000 varieties of the scarce and, to my knowledge, unlisted material per the above caption. I would like very much to prepare a listing of these, for publication herein. Per some brief mention of these items in the Vanderhoof Memorial Book, there are many thousands of these. I'm sure that my collection is merely a starter. Therefore, in order to attempt this task, I request that any member who has such material in his possession please forward same to me on loan for a brief time so that I may take note of material I do not have. If required, I will pay all the postage costs. Recommend insured mailings. Results of this study will be published some time in the future. All material will be insured while in my possession.

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#### Part IX — The J. K & L Dies

The Philadelphia designs, designated H through L, are attributed to the Joseph R. Carpenter firm. In the last installment, I discussed the H and I dies, which were the earlier ones, originated in 1867 and 1869. This article will cover the J and K designs, issued in 1872, and the L design of 1875.

The J die features the bust of Washington, facing right in an oval. The overall imprint is 105x40 mm, and bears a value of two cents. This design is found in two different basic types, distinguished by the medallion backgrounds. In one type the entire backgrounds. In one type the entire background is crosshatched, while in the other, the only shading is below and to the left of the portrait. Vanderhoof was the first to recognize this variance, and designated these as "DIE J1" and "DIE J2", respectively.

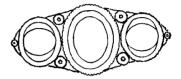
The colors employed cause the usual problem of classification and identification. As illustrated by the Comparison Chart, Scott has used the illusive "gold" to describe what its predecessors had termed bronze, buff and yellow. Other than some apparently oxidized oranges, I can't be sure that I have ever seen any of these items. The red is a deep shade, unlike the one used in any of the other dies.

The J1 design is found with and without a restrictive legend. Only one legend was used: GOOD FOR CHECK OR SIGHT DRAFT ONLY, and it appears curved below the stamp. Although I have no examples of this item, in my collection, I have seen them, and I do have a proof.

I have attempted to determine a reason for the two different backgrounds, but since neither Sterling or Henkels mentioned the variety, and Vanderhoof made no comment other than to describe them, they are of no assistance. In one of the old collections I acquired the J2 die (Scott J11), is referred to as the amended design, and apparently this design appeared after the J1 die, although both were in use simultaneously thereafter. The earliest fully shaded back-



Size 105 x 40mm. Washington to right in central oval.



Type K Size 84 x 33mm. Washington to left in central oval.



Type L Size 50 x 33mm. Washington to left in central oval.

ground I have is from July of 1872, while the earliest partially shaded item is from August of 1874. If readers would check their holdings, perhaps we could establish some added verification to this time pattern.

The K design also featured the bust of Washington, this time facing to the left in a 84x33 mm framework. It came with no restrictive legends, but made up for that by its great variety of colors. The blue and orange are the only ones easily identified. The shades of grey are evident, but the problem is to tag them as grey, silver or pearl. Scott uses red to describe what others list as pink, and all items I have examined are light in shade and would be more properly termed pink. Scott fails to list a green shade, but one does exist. Those I have seen I would best term as olive drab, and are easily confused with the grey's. Sterling and Henkels list both clive and drab. while Vanderhoofs only mentioned the former. If anyone

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has a dark or deep shades of green, I would be most interested in hearing about it. I have never seen the violet or purple, and would also welcome information regarding same.

The last entry from Philadelphia was the L die, which appeared in 1875. While also using the portrait of Washington facing left, it was substantially smaller than the K die, measuring only 50x33 mm. It also makes up for its lack of restrictive legends, by appearing in a myriad of colors. The identification problem facing collectcrs is easily apparent from the Comparison Chart, and is similar to the discussions on the K design. The only substantial differences are the listing of a red and pink by all but Scott, and Scott's recognition of the green. The violet, red and bronze or gold items have eluded my search, and hopefully readers can enlighten me. One error is listed by Sterling and Henkels, that being a bronze imprint, with perforations running through the center of the stamp, left to right. Having never seen this item. I cannot comment on its origin.

Address all comments to Samuel S. Smith, 407 Lincoln Road, Miami Beach, Florida 33139.

#### Revenue Stamped Paper Comparison Chart

Vander-			Steri-		
	hoof	Scott	Henkels	ing	
THE "J" DIE	C				
L	)ie J	1			
Bronze	1	1*	162	142	
Buff	<b>2</b>		163	143	
Yellow	3		164**	$144^{**}$	
Orange	4	4	165	145	
Red	5	5	167	147	
Brown	6		161	<u> </u>	
Vermillion	7		168		
Deep Orange	—	_	166	146	
With Good fo	r Ch	ecks			
and Sight Dra	afts (	Only			
Orange	8	8	169	148	
Red	9	9	170	149	
Shaded Left	and	Below			
D	ie J	2			
Yellow	10	—			
Orange	11	11			
THE "K" DI	E				
Blue	1	1	171	<b>15</b> 0	
Bronze	2	2*	172	151	
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Buff	3	<u> </u>	173	152	
Gray	4	4	175	154	
Yellow	5	<u> </u>	176**	155 * *	
Orange	6	6	177	156	
Olive	7		179	158	
Pink	8	8***	180	159	
Purple	9		181	<b>160</b>	
Pearl	10	10***	*		
Violet		9	182	161	
Deep Orange		_	178	157	
Drab		—	174	153	
THE "L" DIE	-				
Blue	1	1	183	162	
Buff	<b>2</b>		185	164	
Gray	3	3	188	167	
Green	4	4	189	168	
Orange	5	5	191	170	
Olive	6		193	172	
Pink	7	_	194	173	
Pearl	8		195	174	
Yellow	9		196**	$175^{**}$	
$\mathbf{Red}$	10	10	197	176	
Violet	11	11	198	177	
Bronze	12	12*	186	165	
Dark Blue	—		184	163	
Drab			187	166	
Dark Green			190	169	
Deep Orange		_	192	171	
Error (Perforated					
Bronze	_		199	178	
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Referred to as femoli					
*** Referred to as red					

\*\*\*\*Referred to as silver

#### DR. CARL GEORGI

Dr. Carl Georgi, ARA member 791, passed away June 16th, 1970. He was born in Pittsburgh, Pa. on October 19th, 1905. He was a vice president in charge of research for the Quaker State Motor Oil company and traveled extensively in that capacity, holding automobile memberships in every country he visited. Philatelically Dr. Georgi was responsible for an informative monograph on the first issue revenue stamps of the United States. This 29pp booklet profusely illustrated which had an exhilerating effect upon the embryo as well as the advanced student, was printed and issued in 1962. He leaves a wife Lois, -J. S. Bobo

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A. R. A. Library Notes

This month's additions are not as numerous as last month's, but our library is still growing:

add: d. Fifth edition, 1970 A-55

- A-61 Collecting Bottles, Cecil Munsey, 1970
- A-87 add: e. Fifth edition, 1970
- A-94 United States Tax Paid Revenue Stamps, Solomon Altmann, Collectors Club Philatelist, May, July, and Sept. 1967
- delete (see F-10) A-106
- add: e. Fifth edition, 1970 A-135
- B-22 add: e. Fifth edition, 1970
- **F-10** (change) State Revenue Newsletter, complete to date EXCEPT: Mar., April, May, and June 1961, April 1962, and Jan. 1963
- F-35 Collecting Bottles, Cecil Munsey, 1970

A donation of any or all of the missing issues of the State Revenue Newsletter (photocopies will do fine) will be greatly appreciated. We'd also like to have a complete file of the Embossed Revenue Stamped Paper News which was published in the 1940's, a donation of any issue or issues you can spare will go a long way toward filling the gaps in this file, as we now have only four of them (March, July, Sep., and Nov. 1943).

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Response: total club membership 455 Members getting circuits \_\_\_\_\_ 107 Total members contributing \_\_\_\_ 26 Nine of those were \$1 or more.

Point of information: Nothing received from any club officer, elected (?) or appointed.

Conclusions: Draw your own.

To those who did contribute, sincere thanks. To those who sent letters supporting the sales commissions, and suggesting higher ones, thank you. To those who sent letters of protest (and no quarters), I did not see any suggestions for alternate methods of getting this department into the black.

The sales commissions will therefore remain in effect.

Current sales circuits statistics:
Total books sold 286
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Remaining for circuits 68
Circuits initiated 63
Circuits completed 43
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