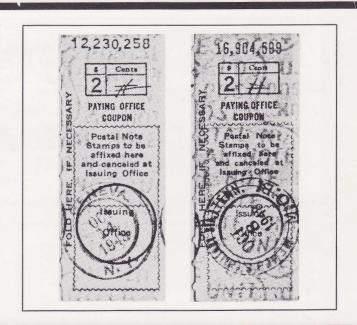


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I am sure that I speak for the entire membership when I wish John a speedy recovery.

Until John returns home and is again able to carry on the business of Advertising Manager, it is requested that all advertisers and those wishing to place advertisements contact the Editor directly.

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The First Alaska Duck Stamp



by Lee E. Poleske, ARA

Alaska issued its first Waterfowl Conservation Stamp in 1985. The bill to authorize the stamp was introduced during the 1984 state legislative session. Under the bill all duck and geese hunters between 16 and 60 years of age would be required to buy a \$5 state Waterfowl Stamp in addition to a hunting license and a federal duck stamp.

It was predicted that the measure would raise \$300,000 a year. The state Department of Fish and Game, which supported the bill, said the money would be used to buy wetlands to expand areas used for waterfowl production, to transfer Canadian geese to Kodiak Island to establish a

(AK Duck Stamp—continued on page 170)

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Identification of the U.S. Postal Notes of the 1945-1951 Issue

by John W. Watts, ARA

Since the Postal Note adhesives (Scott numbers PN1-PN18) do not lend themselves very well to serious study, my attention quickly turned to the Notes, the Paying Office Coupons and the usage of the adhesives as found on the Paying Office Coupons.

Late in 1955 George W. Linn wrote an article for Linn's Weekly Stamp News entitled, "Talking About Postal History," wherein he challenged modern postal history enthusiasts to put together, "A collection of

stubs" [Linn's use of the word (stub/s) is a direct reference to the Paying Office Coupon] "showing a stub receipt with the stamps attached for every amount from 1 cent to Ten Dollars, one thousand different in all." Mr. Linn went on to say, "At the present time I have a collection starting with the 10ϕ stub as the lowest in value and running through to the \$10 stub, the highest value. This collection contains in all 786 different stub values and thus lacks 214 pieces of being complete."

Apparently, when the preceding was written, Mr. Linn chose to ignore, or perhaps he was not aware of, the fact that there were two major types (printings) of the Postal Notes. However, by August 6, 1957, Mr. Linn was actively seeking both types of Postal Note Coupons as evidenced by the following quote, taken from a letter written to Mr. Linn by Mr. Gilbert Peakes, a New Jersey dealer who actively handled the Postal Notes. Mr. Peakes writes, "I'm delighted to know that your have been able to get hold of another lot of PN stubs. You are sure to find some novelties, and it they are old enough you ought to be able to make good progress in getting the two designs" [Mr. Peakes is making reference to the two different printing types] "of numbers...At any rate you now have a good chance to get yourself complete on the low denomination stubs, which I wasn't able to do for you."

After I acquired Mr. Linn's collection I became aware of the fact that during the six plus years that the Postal Notes were in usage two different printings and two distinct card stocks were used in their production.







Figure 1. Distinguishing characteristices of various printings and card stocks on the Paying Office Coupons: First Printing (Type I) Early Card Stock (left)—bold lettering, continuous wiggly border around area for afixing Postal Note Stamps, bold cancellation circle, and (3-4-3) points of attachment/separation. New Printing(Type II) Early Card Stock (center)—fine lettering, border made up of separate outward facing semi-circles, a fine cancellation circle, and (3-4-3) points of attachment/separation. New Printing (Type II) Late Card Stock and New (Revised) Printing (Type II) Late Card Stock—similar to New Printing (Typoe II) Early Card Stock in all respects except the points of attachment/separation are 6 X2s.

This fact can readily be determined from the Paying Office Coupons (Figure 1). Even though Mr. Linn had the various coupon types in his collection he had only sorted them into two types, that being according to their respective printing differences.

Figures 2 and 3 illustrate a First Printing (Type I) early card stock note and a New Printing (Type II) late card

stock note, demonstrating both the printing and card type differences as seen on the obverse side of the notes. Having illustrated these two different note types the remaining two note types may be distinguished by studying the reverse sides of the following notes; first printing (Type I) early card stock, new printing (Type II) early card stock and/or late card stock,

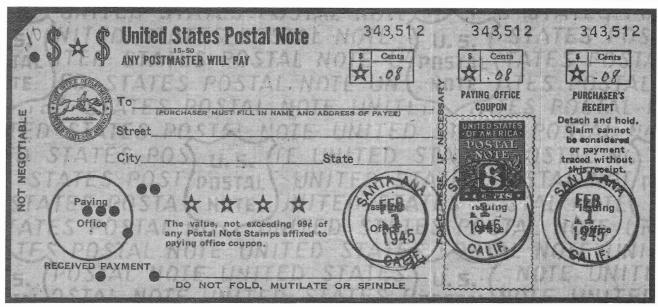


Figure 2. First Printing (Type I) Early Card Stock. Features: small type used for serial number, thick circle for cancel, continuous wiggly border for stamps, Note and Paying Office Coupon attached with 3-4-3 points, the printed denomination and serial number are punched with Univac (round) holes, bank code (15-50).

and new (Revised) printing (Type II) late card stock and in particular observe the various changes that the "Notice to Purchaser and Payee" underwent (Figure 4).

It is important to recognize that first and new (all types) printings may be distinguished by their respective printings and layouts; early and late card stocks may be distinguished by their points of attachment/separation. There is no way of distinguishing a

Table 1: Summary table of the 1945-1951 Postal Notes

| | Early Card Stock | Late Card Stock |
|--|------------------------|-----------------------|
| First Printing (Type I) Univac Cards | X | |
| New Printing (Type II) IBM Cards | Х | X |
| New (Revised) Prin (Type II) IBM Cards | nting | Х |

Printing varieties are listed on the vertical axis while the Card Stock Types (based on points of attachement/separation) appear on the horizontal co-ordinate.

new (Revised) printing (Type II) late card stock note from its immediate predecessor, new printing (Type II) late card stock note, when looking at the Paying Office Coupons. This distinction can only be made if the main part of the note is readily available. Table 1 summarizes the various postal notes known to have been in use from February 1, 1945, thru March 31, 1951. Table 2 lists the various Postal Note types (1945-1951) and values known, by this author, to be in various collections

and/or accumulations.

When Mr. Linn realized that different types of Postal Note Paying Office Coupons existed he tried to determine, by means of the serial numbers, when the first printing (Type I) notes stopped and the new printing (Type II) notes began. It is important to realize that Mr. Linn was only interested in when the new printing came into existence. This fact is substantiated by a quote found in Mr. Linn's notes, "How high do the numbers run in the first printing and

Table 2:

Summary table of complete Postal Notes known to be in existence

| | First Printing (Type I) Early Card Stock | New Printing (Type II) Early Card Stock | New Printing (Type II) Late Card Stock | New (Revised) Printing (Type II) Late Card Stock |
|------|---|--|---|--|
| Star | 2000 | 50 | 50 | 500 |
| \$ 1 | 20 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| \$2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | |
| \$3 | 2 | _ | _ | |
| \$ 4 | 2 | | | |
| \$5 | 2 | | | |
| \$6 | 2 | | | |
| \$ 7 | 2 | | | |
| \$8 | 2 | | | |
| \$9 | 2 | | | |
| \$10 | 2 | | | |
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Probable numbers of complete Postal Notes thought to exist as compiled from lists of complete Notes known to exist.

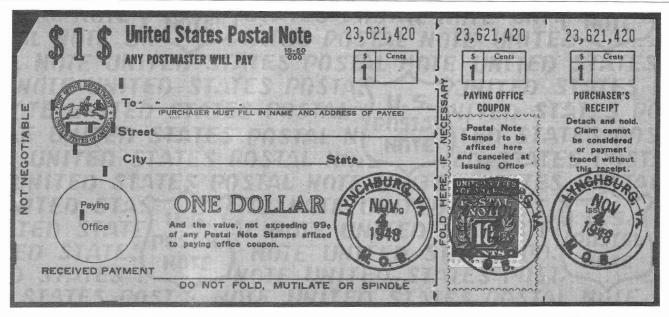


Figure 3. New Printing and New (Revised) Printings (Type II) Late Card Stock. Features: large type used for serial numbers, thin circle for cancel, broken semi-circle border for stamps, Note and Paying Office Coupon attached 6 places with 2 points, the printed denomination and serial number are punched with IBM (rectangular) holes, bank code 15-50/000. The only distinguishing differences (on the obverse side) for the New Printing (Type II) Early Card Stock and Late Card Stock are the method of attachment/separation to the Paying Office Coupon.

where do the numbers begin in the second printing..." Table 3 shows the results of Mr. Linn's findings.

With the realization that there are three collectable types of Postal Note Paying Office Coupons, it became a simple matter for me to extend Mr. Linn's original question. With what serial numbers do the various values of the postal notes end for the first

Table 3:

Table showing Mr. Linn's success at determining the beginning of the second printing

| ŀ | lighest l Numb | | | est Thin umber |
|---------|-------------------|--------|--------|-------------------|
| Star | 3,614, | 145 | 6, | 405,115 |
| \$ 1 | 7,667, | 293 | 11, | 443,030 |
| \$2 | 10,855, | 651 | 12, | 477,448 |
| \$3 | 9,367, | 891 | 11, | 040,072 |
| \$4 | 7,518, | 091 | 8, | 425,239 |
| \$5 | 13,500, | 245 | 15, | 165,643 |
| \$6 | 8,095, | 835 | 10, | 724,999 |
| \$7 | 6,347, | 269 | 6, | 994,540 |
| \$8 | 6,126, | 292 | 6, | 670,108 |
| \$9 | 5,748, | 101 | 6, | 167,125 |
| \$10 | not a | vail. | | |
| highest | thick | number | =First | Printing |
| | | | | |

highest thick number=First Printing (Type I) Notes; lowest thin number = New Printing (Type II) Notes

printing (Type I) early card stock? What are the lowest and highest serial numbers obtainable for the new printing (Type II) early card stock notes? What are the lowest serial numbers available for the new printing (Type II) late card stock notes?

One of the first things that became apparent, as a result of my Paying Office Coupon studies, was the fact that although the first printing (Type

I) early card stock postal notes were all printed on cards supplied by Remington Rand, when the new printing was introduced the printers still had vast stocks of the blank Remington Rand cards on hand. These cards were printed with the new printing format and punched with the I.B.M. rectangular holes. As the Remington Rand cards stocks were depleted the newer replacement cards,

Table 4:

Summary table of Coupon types with respect to Serial Numbers

| Value | Highest FP(I) ECS | Lowest NP(II) ECS | Highest NP(II) ECS | Lowest NP(II) LCS |
|-------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Star | 6,0899,575 | 6,155,608 | 7,774,678 | 7,802,293 |
| \$ 1 | 11,079,250 | 11,111,811 | 20,119,957 | 20,159,556 |
| \$2 | 12,443,980 | 12,477,448 | 22,763,744 | 22,767,433 |
| \$3 | 10,784,436 | 10,807,155 | 19,825,316 | 19,903,583 |
| \$ 4 | 8,237,402 | 8,270,899 | 13,850,844 | 13,910,269 |
| \$5 | 13,520,898 | 13,526,434 | 25,275,221 | 25,338,969 |
| \$ 6 | 8,929,455 | 9,046,175 | 16,160,605 | 16,176,779 |
| \$ 7 | 6,777,806 | 6,821,800 | 10,842,227 | 10,895,691 |
| \$8 | 6,273,124 | 6,302,702 | 10,076,218 | 10,128,158 |
| \$ 9 | 6,067,785 | 6,076,822 | 7,765,127 | 7,787,910 |
| \$10 | 10,215,816 | 10,695,690 | 20,640,347 | 20,715,917 |
| | | | | |

FP(I) ECS = First Printing (Type I) Early Card Stock
NP(II) ECS = New Printing (Type II) Early Card Stock
NP(II) LCS = New Printing (Type II) Late Card Stock



Figure 4a. Reverse side of First Printing (Type I) Early Card Stock. Note the differences between the type fonts and text between printings.

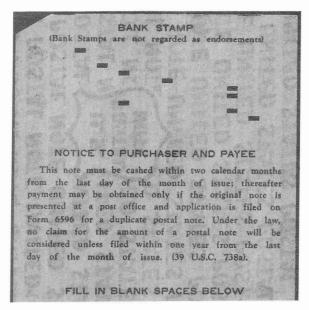


Figure 4c. Reverse side of New (Revised) Printing (Type II) Late Card Stock. Only the reverse side has been changed.

distinguished by their points of attachment/separation, were utilized in the production of the postal notes. Another interesting point to consider is the fact that no specific date can be given to the introduction (first day of usage) of the new printing (Type II) early card stock notes or the new printing (Type II)a late card stock notes, as there was a gradual phasing in and out of new and old card stocks. Also it is important to realize that at any given time during the transition period one is likely to find any of the three different Paying Office Coupon types for a given date (see figure 5 with accompanying graph).

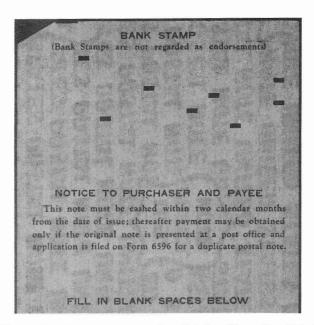


Figure 4b. Reverse side of New Printing (Type II). This is the same for both Early and Late Card Stocks.

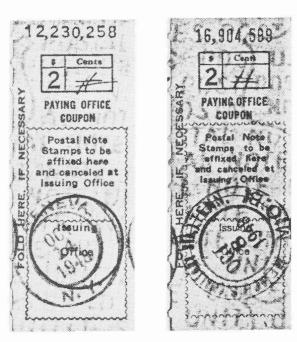


Figure 5a and b. Overlapping dates of Use. First Printing (Type I) Early Card Stock used in Geneva, NY, on October 14, 1948, (left) and a New Printing (Type II) Early Card Stock used in Memphis, TN, on October 8, 1948. (See Figure 5c for Type II Late Stock.)

Table 4 shows my success, to date, in obtaining examples of the highest serial numbers for the first printing (Type I) early card stock values, lowest and highest serial numbers for the new printing (Type II) early card stock values and the lowest serial numbers for the new printing (Type II) late card stock values, as found on the Postal Note Paying Office Coupons.

British India

1943-1948 King George VI Gray Paper Hundi Series

by Frederick Ross, ARA

This article provides some background on the last issue of British Indian hundi revenue stamped bills of exchange, that of King George VI. As such, this is the third installment in a series begun with articles in The American Revenuer Volume 38 Number 6 and Volume 39 Number 4. Like those previous articles, this one owes much to the efforts of Mr. Narendra Sengar, ARA, Kanpur, India, and Mr. J. B. Desai, ARA, Ahmedabad, India.

thousand-year-old Following a tradition of serving as indigenous drafts and exchange notes when transport of hard money was both difficult and dangerous, the role of the hundi revenue stamped bill was changing by the time of the coronation of King George VI in 1936. In point of fact, it was fast becoming obsolete in many parts of India. Modern banking and modern bank checking accounts were encroaching traditional hundi usage. Telegraphic and other automated funds transfer were becoming common. As for money itself, banknotes were, by the mid-1930s, growing to be a trusted legal tender throughout India, relegating heavy silver coins to a secondary position in large transactions and further depressing hundi note demand.

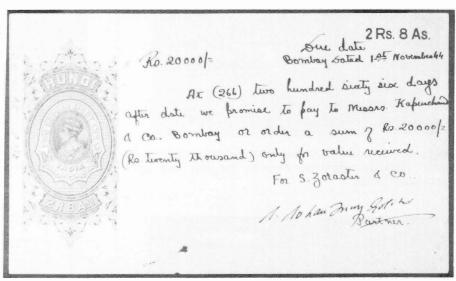


Figure 1. Relatively early use of the scarce Rs. 2 As 8 George VI hundi.

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Figure 5c. New Printing (Type II) Late Card Stock used in New York City on October 8, 1948.

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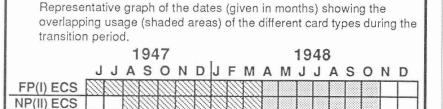
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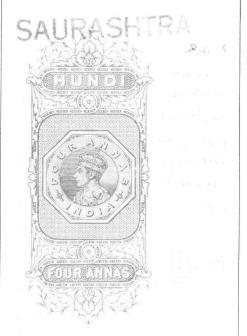
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Dates are plus or minus one month FP(I) ECS=First Printing (Type I) Early Card Stock NP(II) ECS=New Printing (Type II) Early Card Stock NP(II) LCS=New Printing (Type II) Late Card Stock

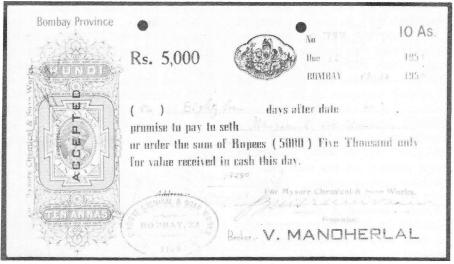
Figure 3. (Right) A 10 Anna GVI hundi used in the new Indian republic.

Figure 2. (Below) A four-anna hundi handstamped for use in Saurashtra



The silver rupee, long a .917-fine *intrinsic* coin, was changed after 1939 into a .500-fine silver *token* coin of less value. Transportation of funds was safer; rail, air and road transportation networks were vigorously expanded all over India, lessening the incidence of mishaps significantly.

Other reasons, too, acted to make the hundi issues of George VI relatively scarce in comparison to those of his predecessors. Large stocks of George V gray papers were extant in government stamp office and merchant banking channels in 1936-37; these continued to be used up until, in some areas, the mid-1950s, thus reducing demand for new George VI design types. The onset of the Second World War and India's massive support role in that conflict relegated hew hundi printings to very minor importance. Finally, the general winding down of the Raj's influence in India in the 1940s meant reduced infrastructural investment, and less colonial government attention to the needs of India's merchant bankers for revenue stamped hundi supplies.



First appearing in commercial channels in 1942-43, the George VI revenue stamped hundi imitated its British Indian forerunners in its 219 x 130 millimeter size, gray paper stock, HUNDI INDIA English block letter watermark and general dull violet printed revenue stamp design. The portrait, of course, now was that of His Majesty, King George VI. Like the second issue of George V, the new hundis bore numeric printed revenue value designations at their upper right corners, in addition to within the stamp design itself (thus assisting Indian shroffs and merchant bankers not totally comfortable with English language and spellings). These new George VI types are included under the general "Type 22" designation in Krause Publications' Standard Catalog of South Asian Coins and Paper Money Since 1556, published in 1982.

The revaluation of the rupee against other world currencies in the period around 1940 contributed to shifts within India's internal revenue structure. Hundi revenue fees changed accordingly from the schedule imposed under George V (15 annas, or 15/16 of a rupee, per 1,000 rupees transacted via hundi); by 1943 each 1,1000 rupees transacted required only 2 annas revenue fee, or 1/8 of a rupee. Hence, King George VI hundis, known in the following denominations (so far), allowed revenue taxed transfers as follows:

Revenue fee Limit of transaction denomination 2 annas 1,000 rupees

| 3 | annas | | 1,500 rupees |
|----|--------|---------|---------------|
| 4 | annas | | 2,000 rupees |
| 6 | annas | | 3,000 rupees |
| 10 | annas | | 5,000 rupees |
| 12 | annas | | 6,000 rupees |
| 1 | rupee | 4 annas | 10,000 rupees |
| 2 | rupees | 8 annas | 20,000 rupees |

Denominations above one-rupee are exceedingly scarce, as these large transactions were, by now, normally handled intrabank and interbank by telegraph or modern check. The author has only possessed the latter two denominations since late 1985, after an exhaustive search by Mr. Sengar within India. The three-anna revenue denomination is, so far, only known surcharged down to two-annas, facilitating transfers up to 1,000 rupees.

Figure 1 shows a relatively early use of the scarce Rs. 2 As. 8 George VI hundi, written up in 1944 for Rs. 20,000 in Bombay. The simple promissory text is written in English; by the mid 1940s the use of English had become much more prevalent in common merchant and banking channels, a plus to western collectors today who can readily ascertain transaction values, dates and terms associated with the specimens in their collections.

The George VI revenue stamp hundi series saw short use under the old "Raj." By 1948 many of the old princely states were already merging into the new Republic of India state entities, and this geographic/political reshuffling is evident in this series. Figure 2 shows a closeup of a fouranna example, hand-overprinted (by rubberstamp) with "SAURASHTRA"

to designate use within the large new republican state, in this case early in 1940. Later that year, machine overprintings with state and province designations came into use for Saurashtra, Bombay Province and the "United Provinces" segments of the new republic; Figure 3 illustrates a ten-anna example, machine stamped for Bombay Province use, and also overprinted "ACCEPTED" to show, despite its royal portrait, validity within the republic's revenue system. This specimen has its general formula printed by Mysore Chemical & Soap Works in Bombay for 5,000-rupee transactions to local seths (merchant bankers and lenders).



Figure 4.

Figure 4 is an enlargement of the central decorative design overprinted, with its transaction formula, by Mysore Chemical, showing Lord Shiva with his son Lord Ganesha and his consort Parvati, as well as a sacred bull and some devotees. This type of decorative text heading became common with this hundi series; some examples even show Mahatma Gandhi, father of the republican movement (George VI and Mahatma Gandhi make quite a pair on these last raj revenue stamp papers to say the least). Most merchant and company decorative overprints showed, like this example, indigenous religious figures, which, even in themselves, proclaimed India's movement "back to India" and its own culture and historic identity.

These decorative, privately applied guilloches and mini-vignettes exist in great variety, and they make in themselves an interesting specialty collection. albeit they do not relate strictly to the revenue use of the hundis themselves. Nonetheless, they are reflective of India's culture and history and do make attractive

additions to any hundi collection.

New hundis were prepared and released in the mid 1950s showing the republican Ashoka Column in place of King George's portrait, but the George VI series remained in use as late as 1958 in areas where stocks of the new series had not yet reached (or where it was deemed expedient to use up existing old raj types until they were



Figure 5.

depleted). Figure 5 details the lower right portion of a six-anna George VI hundi, written up in Mysore in May, 1958, for Rs. 3,000. To designate legal use within Mysore State, the local government overprinted the old hundis with its black oval "MYSORE GENERAL STAMPS" double-headed eagle date stamp. This stamp is more commonly known overprinted on that state's own indigenously designed hundis bearing the portrait of Mysore's maharaja and used prior to the establishment of the republic.

India's new republic may not be the sole political entity to have allowed temporary use of the old imperial hundi types. A few George VI revenue stamp hundi papers are known with

their royal portraits overprinted with the words "WEST PAKISTAN." The author has heard of two specimens of these WEST PAKISTAN overprints actually used for hundi transactions; most known examples, however, are in unused condition (such as the example shown in Krause Publications' *Standard Catalog*). Any additional input on this enigmatic Pakistani overprint would be greatly welcomed by the author.

Future article contributions will profile the post 1954 Republic of India Ashoka Column design hundi series (a complex one, replete with subseries and varieties) as well as interesting revenue stamp hundi issues of several of India's larger and more famed princely states.

As an addendum, it may interest readers to know that several additional revenue denominations have been confirmed and documented for the King George V hundi series (covered in TAR, 1985; 39:52-55). These include the 1-rupee 8-anna, 3-rupee and 6-rupee values. The latter two revenue denominations do not conveniently lend themselves to the post 1914 wartime revenue schedule for bills of exchange, suggesting their preparation and issuance very early in the reign of George V (and possibly explaining their elusiveness today).

Again the author wishes to thank both Mr. Narendra Sengar, ARA, and Mr. J. B. Desai, ARA, as well as other TAR contributors and ARA members who have helped tremendously in making the vast and fascinating field of Indian hundi bills less of a mystery to western numismatists and revenue stamp collectors.

The Narcotic Wine and Playing Card Stamps in Scott

Member Herman Herst, Jr. has supplied the following letter from Scott Publications regarding the listing and pricing of revenue stamps in the Scott Catalogues.

"Scott Publications, Inc One West Forty-seventh Street New York 19, N.Y.

"April 21, 1949 Mr. B. S. Monroe Dear Sir:

"Answering the various questions contained in your letter of April 16, wish to advise that the Narcotic stamps were deleted from the Catalogue at the request of the Government.

"Where stamps are unpriced in the Catalogue, it usually signifies that we lack sufficient definite data to enable us to add a price.

"However, in the case of Wine and Playing Card stamps, we were requested not to price them.

"Yours sincerely,

Scott Publications, Inc.

Gordon R. Harmer" [Pres. and Treasurer...Ed.]

First Issue Varieties

Compiled by Karl Lackemacher, ARA

\$1 MORTGAGE R73 Double Bottom Frame Line and Shift North

Variety No. 6. The variety was shown in *The Shift Hunter Letters* and is known on both perforate and imperforate stamps. There is about 4 mm north. *The Shift Hunter Letters* indicate that other portions of the shift occur in the top margin of the stamp, none of the stamps I have seen have a large top margin. Possibly this is a top row stamp with a portion of the shift occurring in the sheet selvedge. Any and all photocopied or plating information will be appreciated. For the purposes of future identification let us identify this variety as T73a.

Right Variety No. 6, drawing showing the double frame line and location of the double transfer.

3¢ PROPRIETARY R18 Reentry T18b



Variety No. 7. This stamp was extensively reentered and most all positions after the reentry show some minor doubling. The doubling on most of the reentered positions is limited to an overall thickness of the





engraved lines. Additionally, the First Issue Revenue stamps printed with green ink tend to show varying amounts of ink in the numerals. This ink in the numerals, I feel, is an indication of the viscosity of the green ink, it being thinner and harder to wipe off the plate.

The variety shown is the largest of the reentered shifts I have seen, with doubling showing clearly all over the stamp. For purposes of identification this variety will be designated as T18b and most easily distinguished by the distinctive doubling in the top left corner.

I have seen no plating information of this stamp, so any help in further identification of plating will be appreciated.

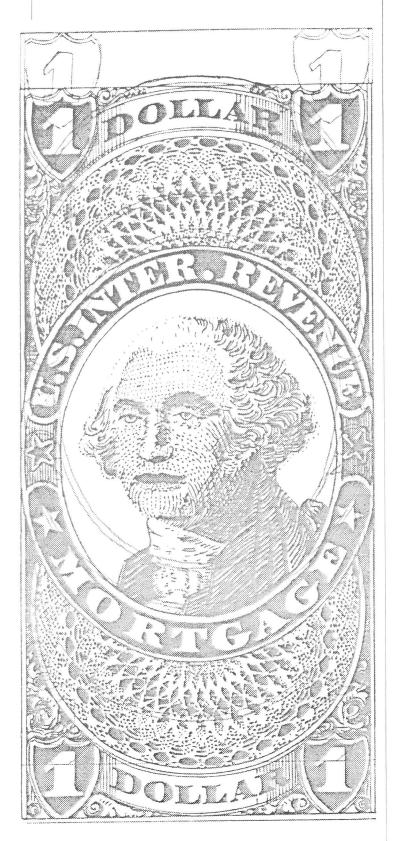


Above. Photograph of Variety No. 6, a double transfer on R73.

Opposite Page. A drawing of Variety No. 6 (T73a) with an outline overlay showing the position of the second transfer.

Plate Varieties

by Anthony Giacomelli, ARA





Fellow ARA member Thomas Priester has sent me the item illustrated here to study and take notes with the priviledge of writing it up in TAR for all to see. The stamps is a copy of Scott #R56c; a normal stamp in every way except for a scrape line of color in the upper right hand corner.

The extra line of color starts directly over the letter N of CENTS. This line which is approximately 1.5 mm wide starts at the outside border of the FIFTY CENTS panel, travels upward through the small part of the acanthus scroll. It angles a lilttle right of vertical or approximately toward the 1 o'clock. The length of this line cannot be accurately defined as it procees beyond the perforations at the top.

Close observation with a powerful glass yields the conclusion that this line of color is from a scrape on the plate due to careless or rough handling. I have considered that this was caused by an object being drawn across the still wet ink of the printed sheet; however, there is no indication of any part of the design distorted or ink removed and brought forward to cause the line.

I will consider this to be a plate variety, but, I have only seen one copy. There must be more copies to definately say this is a constant plate variety. I would be pleased to hear about other such items from the readership. We will report additional copies here.

Attention ARA Members and TAR Advertisers

The next issue (October, 1986) issue of *The American Revenuer* will contain a supplement consisting of a new listing of the ARA Library holdings. This will be in place of our former Biennial Directory. Future supplements will contain updated membership listings and a new index to TAR. By publishing on an as needed basis, the ARA will be able to function in a more economical manner. Anyone wishing to place advertisements in this supplement at the ordinary rates, please contact the Editor by October 17.

SPECIAL TAX STAMP FOR DEALER IN GRAIN, SECURITIES, ETC.

by Terence Hines, ARA & Alan Hicks, ARA

With the discovery of the special tax stamp shown here, one of the most mysterious of all the special tax stamps has come to light. Special tax stamps for Dealers in Grains, Securities, Etc. are listed in Table 95 of the Hines (1976) book. The listing does not give the denomination of the stamp but does show that there were 1232 taxpayers for Series 1901 stamps and that the BEP printed 12,400 of the stamps. Hines also noted the the IRS reported 825 taxpayers for Series 1900 stamps, but the BEP did not report printing any such stamps. Hines was unable to find any references to this tax class in the statutes.

The illustrated stamp is printed in black on double line "USIR" watermarked cream colored wove paper. The series year, "1901," as well as the Internal Revenue seal and penalty clause are in green. Handstamped in purple are the "50" at the top left of the stamp, the "Fifty" at the center, as well as "Penna.," "Pittsburgh," "J.S. Fruit," "23rd" and "Penna." Additional information has been filled in with black ink in manuscript. The serial number at the upper right is in red. The stamp generally resembles other special tax stamps of the period.

The stamp bears the inscription "Under Paragraph 3, Section 8, Act of March 2, 1901." This is the section which imposed this tax. The Act of March 2, 1901, amended the Act of June 13, 1898. This latter act had increased various taxes to help finance the Spanish-American War. The 1901 act generally reduced those war tax rates. However, the tax on dealers in grain, securities, etc. was a new tax. The rather prosaic title of the tax class hides the fact that this was a punitive tax on fraudulent businesses. section of the statute that defines who must pay the tax is one of the best (worst?) examples of legalese ever to escape Washington. But, it finally gets around to imposing the tax on Compose for BEALER IN GRAIN, SEDURITIES, ETC., SPECIAL TAX TO FAM., SEDURITIES, ETC., SPECIAL TAX FOR FAM., SEDURITIES, SPECIAL TAX FO

"bucket shops." A bucket shop was a shady business selling not only worthless stocks and non-existent commodities, but drumming up business by phone, collecting the money and then disappearing before anyone could attempt to collect the securities or merchandise they had purchased.

The statute makes it clear, as does the penalty clause at the right of the stamp, that purchase of the stamp does not in any way exempt the purchaser from the legal penalties for carrying on such an illegal business. In this regard, the stamp is much like the \$1000 brewers special tax stamp, issued during prohibition and intended as a penalty tax on the, then, illegal business of brewing (Hicks, 1985.)

Section 8 of the Act of March 2, 1901, imposed the special tax on dealers in grain and securities, etc. at the rate of \$50 a year starting with the tax year July 1, 1901. However, there was a special tax of \$12.50 imposed for the period of April 1, 1901 to June 30, 1901. Presumably, the 825 tax-payers the IRS reports show as paying the "Series 1900" special tax in this class paid this \$12.50 tax. Since the BEP reports do not show any stamps printed for the Series 1900, perhaps the IRS produced its own, or used some type of receipt. Incidentally, Sec-

tion 8 of the Act of March 2, 1901, is not indexed as imposing any special taxes, which accounts for Hines' failure to find the statute relating to this

Section 8 also imposed a stamp tax of 2¢ on each \$100 of face value of "all stocks, bonds, or other securities covered or pretended to be covered" and on "merchandise covered or pretended to be covered" by contracts, agreements, trades or transactions of bucket shops. "Pretended" is the key word here and reveals the true nature of bucket shops and this tax.

The unusual circumstances surrounding the issuance of this class of special tax stamp certainly account for its scarcity. It is always exciting when such unusual stamps come to light and expand out knowledge of tax stamps and their usage. The authors invite correspondence from readers with additional information concerning this unusual category of special tax stamp.

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Israel Consular Document

The document illustrated here was sent to us by Dahlia Jacobs. It shows use of of the 1948-52 Israel Consular stamps on a rather interesting document. The document gives notification that the maker of the document wishes to give as a gift a Singer sewing machine to a person (named on the document) living in Israel.

There are four Consular stamps glued to a small receipt which is in turn attached to the main document. An embossed seal of the Consulate General of Israel—New York is impressed into an adhesive seal, the receipt and the main document. There is also a form attached from a clerk of court testifying that the person signing the main document as a Notary Public was indeed a Notary Public in their jurisdiction. It also is attached with an embossed seal to the main document.

The document reads:

"THIS IS NOT AN IMPORT LICENSE

Date: July 30, 1952 To Whom It May Concern:

I wish to send a new SINGER Sewing Machine Model No. 15-88-23 net weight 41 kilos, gross weight 75 kilos, valued at \$ 139.25/26.00/\$175.25 delivered at SINGER Shop, Israel, to Zwi Jahalomi, my son 8.a. Schoshanim Street, Tivon Near Haifa (name and full address and relationship of recipient).

I affirm that this is an outright gift for which I have not received payment in any form in Israel or elsewhere, nor will I demand or receive payment or compensation therefor in any form in the future.

Signature of donor <u>Charles Pick</u>
Print: Name of donor <u>Charles Pick</u>
Address of donor <u>47 Nelson Street</u>
Hartford 5, Conn.

If this affidavit is mailed to the Consulate, the donor's signature must be notarized and the notary's signature certified by the County Clerk in whose office the Notary Public's signature is registered.

Personally Appeared. <u>Charles Pick</u> Swears the above statement to be correct

Roland Utley (Seal)"



1987 ARA Convention

The 1987 ARA Convention will be held at the 97th Annual March Party of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club of Cleveland, Ohio, on March 20-22, 1987. The exhibition and bourse will be in the Masonic Auditorium, Euclid Avenue at East 36th Street.

A prospectus for exhibiting at this show is included in the mailing wrapper for this issue. The March Party is an APS qualified National show with the Grand Award winner eligible to compete in Champion of Champions competition at STaMpsHOW. The jury for the show will includemembers with a knowledge of revenue stamps

(usually ARA members).

Ed Cutler will be making arrangements for the ARA at this show. At this time nothing definate has been planned, but you are encouraged to write to Ed and tell him of particular events you would like to have take place at the show.

The Garfield-Perry March Party is one of the premier stamp shows in the U.S. The show has a long standing reputation for quality. And, as always, those ARA members attending one of our conventions is always in for a good time. Begin to make your plans now to attend.

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resident flock and to establish snow geese on the Seward Peninsula and the North Slope of Alaska.

Under the bill, a national contest would be held each year to select an artist's work for reproduction on the stamp. An amendment was proposed in the state House to restrict the contest to Alaskan artists. The amendment was defeated; the main argument against it was that states with similar stamp programs had realized the most income by using original art by nationally known artists.

Since most of the income under the bill would come from the sale of prints and stamps to collectors, an amendment was proposed that Alaskan hunters not be required to buy the stamp. This amendment was also defeated

Supported by hunters, conservation groups and the state Department of Fish and Game, the bill easily passed both houses of the legislature and was signed by Governor Bill Sheffield June 1, 1984.

In February, 1985, the Department of Fish and Game advertised nationally for a design, printing and marketing proposal for the first stamp. The Department specified that the design should be of an indigenous waterfowl in suitable Alaska habitat. The final selection was to be made be a panel made up of four members from the Department of Fish and Game and one each from the Revenue Department and the State Council on the Arts. Thirty paintings were entered in the competition. The winning entry was an acrylic painting of three emperor geese

by Daniel Smith of Eden Prairie, Minnesota. His work had appeared on the 1983 Minnesota Pheasant Stamp and in the National Geographic Society's *Field Guide to North American Birds*. The panel selected a painting of emperor geese because they are unique to Alaska.

The state expected 85% of the money to be raised by the stamp program to come from the sale of first-run prints from the original art to collectors and investors. The number of prints would be determined by the number ordered by October 31, 1985.

A record 17,350 prints were ordered, the largest number ever issued by a state. Signed and numbered prints were sold for \$135 or \$300 for a combination medallion and print. The state of Alaska received a royalty of \$40.50 per prints. 28,000 stamps were sold, 18,000 to hunters and 10,000 to collectors. More than \$900,000 was generated by the sale of the prints and stamps.

In September, 1985, the state announced it would not enforce the requirement that duck hunters buy the waterfowl stamp for the 1985 hunting season, because the new regulations were not readily available to the public nor were the stamps widely distributed to vendors. Hunters who did not have the stamp would be given a warning and advised of the new regulation.

Falling oil prices raised the threat that most of the money raised by the stamp program would not be used for waterfowl programs. The state attorney general held that the 20% of the total amount raised that came from the

sale of stamps could go directly to the Department of Fish and Game as license fees, but the 80% generated by print sales would have to go into the general fund to be appropriated as the legislature directed. Since oil revenues provide more than 85% of the state's income, falling oil prices were forcing state legislators to look for new sources of revenue.

Governor Bill Sheffield said that he felt the legislature had made a promise, when it passed the law, that all the money raised would be used for waterfowl conservation programs and that the people who had bought the prints and stamps did so with the understanding that their money would be used for such programs. Therefore, he included the total sum raised for Department of Fish and Game waterfowl projects in the 1987 budget he submitted to the 1986 legislative session. The governor's position was fully backed by the legislature and the money generated by the stamp program was used to fund waterfowl and wetland programs in the

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Secretary's Report

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

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The British Library, Philatelic Collections 4386, 14 Store St, Bloomsbury, London WC1B 3DG, England, by Secretary. Institutional NDP-national library of the UK and keepers of the UK National Philatelic Collections.

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Dennis Heffline 4377, 211 Lexington Rd, Schwenksville, PA 19473, by Eric Jackson. Collector/dealer-US and state revs and taxpaids.

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Gary E Saum 4378, 1985 Fenton St, Columbus, OH 43224, by William Gerlach.

Joe D Stuart 4379, 4009 Knollwood Dr, Austin, TX 78731, by Secretary, Mexico.

Marland C Thurston 4380, 10417 Headly Ct, Fairfax, VA 22032, by Gary A Van Cott.

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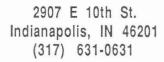
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