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Perfins Club Cover Sales Department Very Much Open for Business

Millard (Bill) J. Driscoll (LM-71)

Do you want to expand your perfin collection? Do you have surplus perfin covers that you no longer need? Contact Bill Driscoll at the Perfins Club Cover Sales Department. He has many covers for sale at reasonable prices. Many perfin covers are priced at \$1 to \$5. More expensive covers are frequently available. If what you are looking for is not currently available your need will be kept on file. If a cover comes in that meets your requirement you will be contacted.

All covers are sent to you on approval. If you desire to purchase more covers than your budget permits time payments are available. Every effort will be made to make your purchase easy.

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if that is desired. This is especially helpful for our non United States members.

Sellers can mail their covers directly to Bill Driscoll. He will price them for you if you desire or you can price them yourself. You will receive accrued payment quarterly from the Club treasurer until your covers are all sold. A flat fee of 20% of the sale price is charged. This fee goes directly to the Perfins Club.

Several members have donated excess covers to the club. All proceeds from the sale of these covers goes directly to the Club. This is an excellent way to support the Club. Life members may find this an excellent way to give back something to the Club.

Give the Perfins Club Cover Sales Department a chance to help you develop and expand your collection. See address information on last page.

Prices Realized - Auction #94

<u>Lot #</u>	<u>Bid</u>								
1	NB	49	3.00	97	3.00	145	5.00	193	NB
2	3.00	50	5.50	98	7.50	146	8.50	194	10.00
3	3.00	51	11.00	99	8.50	147	6.00	195	50.00
4	NB	52	9.00	100	NB	148	5.00	196	7.00
5	5.00	53	5.00	101	12.50	149	6.00	197	7.00
6	7.50	54	9.00	102	8.00	150	6.00	198	7.00
7	3.00	55	3.00	103	8.50	151	3.00	199	8.00
8	NB	56	3.00	104	3.00	152	3.00	200	NB
9	5.00	57	7.00	105	NB	153	25.00	201	5.00
10	4.50	58	7.50	106	12.00	154	11.00	202	4.00
11	3.00	59	5.00	107	3.00	155	6.00	203	2.00
12	3.00	60	3.00	108	NB	156	13.00	204	NB
13	NB	61	3.00	109	3.50	157	14.00	205	NB
14	12.00	62	7.00	110	8.50	158	6.50	206	NB
15	8.00	63	WD	111	8.50	159	19.50	207	NB
16	WD	64	WD	112	5.00	160	12.00	208	NB
17	7.50	65	5.00	113	4.00	161	10.00	209	NB
18	7.00	66	5.00	114	3.00	162	12.00	210	NB
19	9.00	67	2.00	115	3.50	163	11.00	211	NB
20	25.00	68	3.50	116	6.50	164	8.00	212	5.00
21	12.50	69	7.50	117	5.00	165	10.00	213	NB
22	5.00	70	5.00	118	8.50	166	24.00	214	NB
23	NB	71	11.00	119	5.00	167	24.00	215	NB
24	NB	72	7.50	120	8.00	168	3.00	216	10.00
25	NB	73	4.00	121	5.00	169	8.00	217	16.00
26	NB	74	12.50	122	8.50	170	14.00	218	16.00
27	NB	75	NB	123	7.00	171	15.00	219	27.00
28	3.00	76	7.50	124	5.00	172	8.00	220	NB
29	5.00	77	3.00	125	5.00	173	15.00	221	10.00
30	8.00	78	3.00	126	12.50	174	24.00	222	24.00
31	4.00	79	5.00	127	12.50	175	13.00	223	10.00
32	NB	80	8.00	128	3.50	176	18.00	224	10.00
33	11.00	81	3.00	129	5.00	177	6.00	225	100.00
34	6.50	82	5.00	130	3.00	178	45.00	226	48.00
35	7.50	83	7.50	131	8.00	179	10.00	227	10.00
36	5.50	84	5.50	132	5.00	180	14.00	228	NB
37	NB	85	5.50	133	8.00	181	21.00	229	6.00
38	NB	86	4.50	134	9.00	182	NB	230	18.00
39	7.50	87	5.50	135	NB	183	NB	231	27.00
40	3.00	88	20.00	136	7.50	184	3.00	232	10.00
41	5.50	89	NB	137	3.00	185	NB	233	10.00
42	5.00	90	12.50	138	5.00	186	NB	234	10.00
43	NB	91	12.50	139	7.50	187	4.00	235	10.00
44	5.00	92	2.00	140	3.00	188	NB	236	12.00
45	15.00	93	20.00	141	12.50	189	10.00	237	26.00
46	7.50	94	8.00	142	5.00	190	3.00		
47	NB	95	10.00	143	36.00	191	4.50		
48	8.00	96	11.00	144	8.00	192	NB		

Kiautschou (not) Perfin Revisited

– or –

A Reminder to Use the Literature You Have at Hand

Paul Mistretta (LM#111)

In the January 2004 Bulletin (pg. 3) I ran a note about an auction lot submitted for publication by Christian Rueger. In that note I wrote “I can’t locate an apparent ‘chain’ pattern in my literature.” OOPS! A closer look was definitely in order here. In fact, not one but two closer looks were in order. While serendipity played a role in locating the information presented, a little thought would have helped. Here’s the teaser that should have led to some thinking: Kiautschou as a stamp issuing German colonial entity was directly related to what other country? And what country is a trading partner which might account for these items

The first hint that I should have looked closer was a note I found in the found in the July/August 1990, *Perfins Bulletin* (pg. 165) submitted by Dr. Tony Llewellyn-Edwards (member #2741). In this article (‘When is perfin not a perfin’) he showed as Figure 8 a ‘stamp’ with a pattern extremely similar (but not identical with) the pattern shown in the note under discussion. Dr. Edward’s explanation was as follows: “Figure 8 is not even a stamp – although unless you read Japanese it is hard to know, the lack of a country name is a guide. It is a seal from a cash registration envelope and the perforation is intended to weaken it so that it would be destroyed if the envelope was opened in transit.”

I missed the obvious in January – not only is there no country name on the ‘stamp’, there is no denomination nor any marking on the ‘stamp’ consistent with postal franking.

Subsequent to the publication of the note in January **Dave Coath** (#3722) sent the following illustration of a pattern similar to that shown in January – on a very different ‘stamp’.



And now comes the second bit of serendipity. I have been scanning the tons (yes literally tons) of paper that I moved to our new home so that I never have to move that much dead weight again! And as I was copying a catalog of Japanese revenues I happened to notice a familiar pattern of perforation. In fact there were five very similar patterns illustrated, along with a listing of the ‘stamps’ in which they occur. The catalog (Shimoura, M.; Furuya, K., eds. 1965. The standard catalog of the Japanese revenue stamps. Tokyo, Japan: Takata Club (Fuko Stamp Co.)) was filed (and forgotten) all along. All three ‘stamps’ (Llewellyn-Edwards’, that from January and the one above) and the different perfins in them are shown in this catalog. The patterns shown in this year’s PB are probably the two stamps identified as the first issue (late 1890s) of officially distributed “postal seals” used to seal “matter with declared value”. The item shown above has a red overprint (免) which indicates that it was “used for official matter”. Note that the lot described in the January issue was listed as having a ‘...value declaration 500 yen...’ The seal shown by Llewellyn-Edwards in 1990 is an eighth issue seal (1954).

Below are reproduced the patterns identified in the 1965 catalog. My best guess looking at pictures rather than the stamps is that #1 is seen above, #2 is in the seals shown in January, and #5 is in the seal shown in 1990.

1	2	3	4	5

After studying the original cover illustration from the auction catalog (I am not a postal historian!), it appears that the item was sent from Osaka to a sailor at Camp (Kurume) and, also, from review of the cover illustration, the value declaration was 5,000 yen. (not the 500 listed in the lot description)

I will be glad to e-mail the downloaded illustration of the cover to anyone who wishes it for reference or comment. It is far clearer than the B&W illustration in the January Bulletin

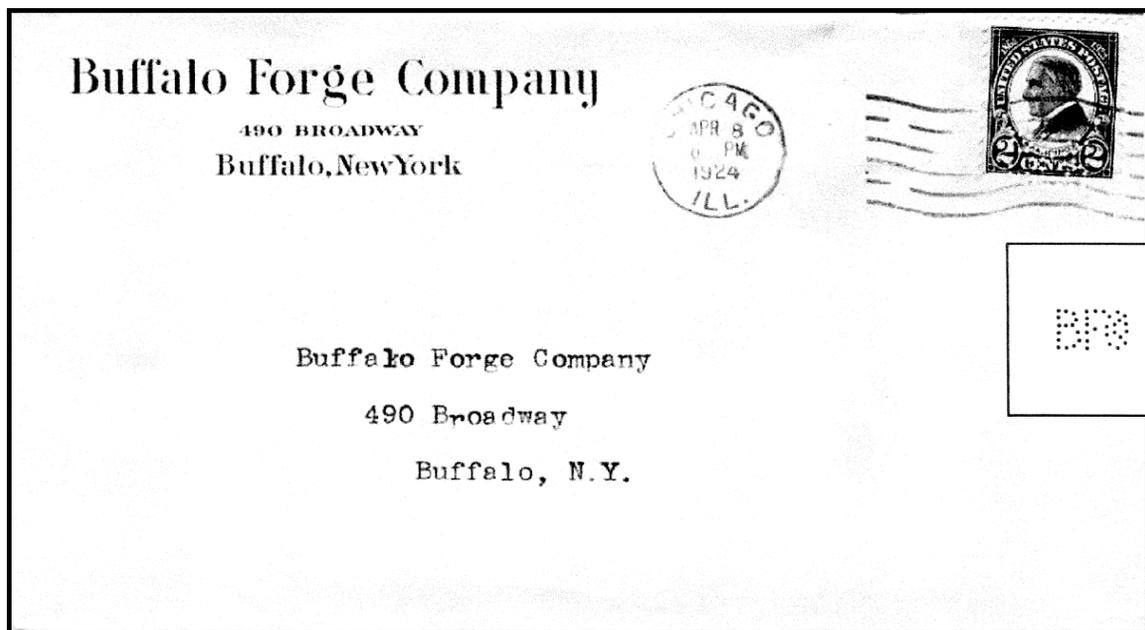
In summary, and in my words, what we have here appears to be an officially issued paper successor to sealing wax and signet rings.

Buffalo Forge Company in Chicago?

John Lyding (LM-116)

Somewhere along the years, I acquired a number of covers from the Buffalo Forge Company of 490 Broadway, Buffalo, New York. All of the covers were similar in that they were pale blue and they were franked with 2c black Harding stamps. Since I

retired, I have been slowly sorting out my philatelic holdings (i.e., formerly known as "that mess in the garage"). In selling off the duplicates, like everyone else, I sold off the nicer appearing material first. Then I turned my attention to the remainder.



The cover shown immediately above is a part of the remainder and, unfortunately, I never really looked closely at it prior to getting rid of the other five or six covers from this company. I never noticed that this cover had a Chicago, Illinois, postmark while the rest were postmarked in Buffalo New York. I immediately referred to the Catalog of United States Perfins and looked up pattern B112 [BFC(o)]. Actually, I turned to the supplemental section as soon as I noticed the 'x' in the supplemental data column. Expecting to find a Windy City listing, I

was disappointed to only see "Buffalo Steam Pump Company, Buffalo, N.Y."

Considering that the illustrated cover was addressed to the company, it is highly probable it was a report being sent home from an employee on the road and, as such, is probably not a candidate for correcting the existing listing. However it is another lesson relearned, check everything the first time that you handle it.

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Dave Lightle (#3480) - Proprietor

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Catalog Name	Author	Printing Date	Member's Price	Nonmember's Price
World Perfin Catalog, "Americas Section"	Robert Schwerdt	1992	\$12.50	\$14.38
World Perfin Catalog, "Africa Section"	Robert Schwerdt	1995	\$8.00	\$9.20
World Perfin Catalog, "Asia Section"	Robert Schwerdt	1996	\$8.00	\$9.20
World Perfin Catalog, "Europe Section"	Robert Schwerdt	1994	\$8.00	\$9.20
Bavaria Catalog of Bavarian Perfins	J. Needham	1990	\$8.50	\$9.78
Bavaria Supplement, A&C to the Catalog of Bavarian Perfins	Floyd A. Walker	1997	\$2.00	\$2.30
Catalog of Belgium Perfins	Hamminck & van Hoorn	1997	\$22.00	\$25.50
British Malaya Perfins of British Malaya	P. Giffen	1989	\$2.50	\$2.88
Denmark Perfins Catalog	DPS (Koster-Kofod, Hansen, Mathiesen)	2001	€60.00	\$69.00
Guide To Perfin Exhibiting	Sylvia Gersch & Robert Schwerdt	1995	\$2.00	\$2.30
Timbres Perfores, France et Colonies 2 nd ed	Ancoper (Dedecker, Herbert & Janot)	1990	\$55.00	\$63.25
France Supplement 1 to Timbres Perfores, France et Colonies	Ancoper	1993	\$8.00	\$9.20
Germany - complete catalogue - Letters A through Z and Additional Users	ARGE		\$273.00	\$313.95
Germany (per letter – specify)		Each letter	\$13.00	\$14.95
Germany Supplement #1			\$6.00	\$6.90
Germany Supplement #2			\$5.00	\$5.75
Germany Supplement #3			\$5.00	\$5.75
Germany Supplement #4				
Catalog of Perfins of India	Magnus Werner	1990	\$10.00	\$11.50
India Supplement to the Catalog of Perfins of India	Magnus Werner	1994	\$3.00	\$3.45

India 2nd Supplement to the Catalog of Perfins of India	Magnus Werner	1998	\$3.00	\$3.45
Catalog of Perfins of Ireland	Richard L.Mewhinney	1994	\$7.00	\$8.05
Perfins of Italy	Hammink & van der Hoorn	1995	\$15.00	\$17.25
Perfins of Italy	Enrico Bertazzoli and Beppe Ermentini	2000	\$35.00	\$40.25
Perfins Club New Member Handbook			£2.00	\$2.30
How to Speak Perfins			\$1.00	\$1.15
Catalog of Perfins of Romania	Laslo Eros	1989	\$5.50	\$6.33
Catalog of Perfins of Romania, 1st supplement		1991	\$1.25	\$1.45
Catalog of Perfins of Romania, 2nd supplement	Schwerdt	1993	\$3.00	\$3.45
Catalog of Perfins of Romania, 3rd supplement			\$3.00	\$3.45
Catalog of Perfins of Switzerland	Baer	1998	\$22.00	\$25.30
Catalog of United States Perfins	John Randall	1998	\$60.00	\$70.00 (looseleaf)
		Sold out	\$75.00	\$86.25 (hardcopy)
A&C Pages #1 for U.S. Catalog			\$5.00	\$5.65
Blank album pages to mount perfins, 30 spaces per page, minimum order of 25 pages		per page	\$0.10	\$0.12
Catalog of US Perfins by State/City	Adelle Ottenheimer	1999	\$12.00	\$13.80
Checklist of US Perfins	Paul Mistretta	1999	\$3.00	\$3.45
Handbook of Australian Private Perfins	John Matthews	[2003]	66.00	75.90
Perfins Club membership list			\$3.00	\$3.45
United States Catalog of Perfined Precancels	Randall & Cummings	1998	\$20.00	\$23.00
Railroad Perfins of the United States and Canada	Robert Gray	1987	\$5.00	\$5.75
Cumulative Index to The Perfins Bulletin 1945-1992	Rudy Roy	1993	\$10.00	\$11.50

Auction Watch

As you will see below, this was a very active time for perfins collectors who purchase through the auction market. Thanks to all who contributed to this column.

Bill Shields (#2961) reported the following e-Bay items

Item number: 2253057038 -- STRAITS SETTLEMENTS Penang 1910 Perfin to USA Singapore, Suburban, Police Station. Description: 1910 used postcard. Card is rough around the edges.. Winning bidder please add \$1.00 for mailing (foreign \$2.00). -- 21 bids -- \$31.00.

Item number: 4167007865 -- N.Y. & CANAL ZONE SOUTH RPO 8c W-F, Perfin Description: Repeats header + W-F, Sc 337 (sm tear in left

margin), with B & C Perfin -- 3 bids -- Winning bid: US \$11.50.

Item number: 4169046154 -- Yokohama Specie Bank PERFIN on MANCHUKUO stamp 1f. Description: A rarely seen Yokohama Shokin Ginko PERFIN item for the MANCHUKUO specialist. With a starting bid of US \$195.00 this item did not receive a single bid.

Item number: 5501362938 -- GB cinderellas - Puffin peculiar post perfin cover. Description: In 1984 Ken Gibson issued his first Puffin Peculiar Post stamp. This is a perfin copy on a cover cancelled by a green oval handstamp dated 26 Nov 1984. The front has a perfin 121/2p GB stamp and a 1/2p GB stamp cancelled Marlow and addressed to Farnham Royal. The front is stamped 'Fourth Day Cover'. 13

covers recorded as being produced. Most, most peculiar. -- 8 bids -- Winning bid: GBP \$11.50 (Approx US \$21.00).

Item number: 5501429817 -- 8000 Off Paper 1920-1940 Perfins Precancels. Description (revised): Over 12 ounces should yeild around 8,000 stamps, all pre 1940 regulars. Also to be found are a lot of Wash-Frank, precancels, etc. No reserve. Priority shipping will be \$3.85. -- 23 bids -- Winning bid: US \$80.99.

Item number: 5504163160 -- Costa Rica 1941 Official perfin cover to Germany. Description: Costa Rica 1941 (ENE 26) 'Secretaria de Relaciones Exteriores' printed Official cover to Frankfurt, Germany franked on reverse by Official 2c.(6), 3c.(6), 20c.(2), 40c. and 1col. all with star-shaped perfin and tied San Jose date stamps, Official cachet on front and German civil censorship -- 7 bids -- Winning bid: GBP 69.88 (Approx. US\$127.).

Item number 5501673964 - QUEEN VICTORIA PENNY BLACK 4X MARGINS & 50+ PERFINS & MORE. Description NOT TO BE MISSED A FOUR MARGIN PENNY BLACK ON LINE TWO OF THIS HAGNER EIGHT SHEET 4TH STAMP FROM THE LEFT GLUE RETENTION TOP WEST CORNER SMALL THIN NICE TYPE <P>PLUS FIFTY PLUS PERFINS FROM G/B AUSTRALIA PORTUGAL USA DENMARK FRANCE MANY PAC PRUDENTIAL ASSURANCE AND GLC GREATER LONDON COUNCIL THROUGH THE YEARS QVIC KGV EDV11QE11 A UNIQUE MIXTURE <P> ALSO FROM SOUTH AFRICA REGISTERED LABLE FOR A MOBILE POSTOFFICE PO23 KSTAD/C TOWN NO 1253 PLUS AIR MAIL CUT OUTS FOR USA NOTE ZEPPLINE BALLON AND EARLY AREOPLANES <P>A NICE MIX OF STAMPS ETC THE 1D BLACK THE FEATURE SENT POST FREE, THANK YOU FOR LOOKING -- 9 bids -- Winning bid: GBP 27.00.

Item number: 5501042916 -- Great Britain Stamps 1891 1 POUND (super perfin) [Ed. Note -- I got to the site too late to see the illustration, but the price was still posted, and it is very interesting!] -- 15 bids -- Winning bid: GBP 41.00 (Approx US \$75).

Item number: 5504367329 -- CANADA OA193 5-HOLE OHMS PERFIN USED CDS POS. A CV \$75. Description: Repeats header + Five cents Prince of Wales, very fine perforated 5 holes OHMS, position A, centered stamp, used with cds cancellati on. Unitrade CV \$75 CDN -- 1 bid -- Winning bid: US\$38.99.

Item number: 5504367670 -- CANADA OA158 5-HOLE OHMS PERFIN BLUENOSE USED CDS \$525. Description: repeat headline + Fifty cents Bluenose, very fine perforated 5 holes OHMS, position A, nicely centered, with cds cancellation dated 1933, closed perf tear at top, else an attractive and scarce stamp. Unitrade CV \$525 CDN. -- 1 bid -- US\$179.99.

Item number: 5504367333 -- CANADA OA122 \$1 ADMIRAL PERFIN 5-HOLE OHMS SON CDS \$150. Description: repeat headline + One dollar Admiral, orange, very fine perforated 5 holes OHMS, position A, used with neat socked-on-nose VANCOUVER cds, trivial wrinkle due to usage. Unitrade CV \$150 CDN. -- 1 bid -- US\$83.99.

Item number: 5504793799 -- World Collection 200,000 STAMPS! perfins cancels machin. Description: An old mix of about 200,000 stamps (estimated not counted). Number of stamps is based on counting an ounce of stamps and estimating total number. While searching through the ounce encountered about one perfin every 100 stamps plus saw a good amount of sock on the nose cancels. A great majority of the stamps are Great Britain machins with I presume a great diversity of types and varieties. Nothing has been removed from this lot. Saw stamps from South Africa, New Zealand, France, Poland, netherlands, australia, etc. but majority are GB. Especially good for the machin specialist. It will take you a year of sundays to sort through this lot. An entire storage box full of stamps with a great opportunity for different varieties. -- 7 bids -- US\$67.67.

Richard Boosey (#1737) spotted the following in Weeda Auctions (<http://www.weeda.com>):

Closed May 15

Canada #O249 variety, the 1 cent War issue perf OHMS perfin, used with doubling of the "MS" part of the perfin. -- Est \$36 Can -- Sold \$34 Can

Canada OC9 variety, the 7 cent Goose, perf OHMS with partial quadrupling of the perfin showing parts of OHMS in four extra places. -- Est \$75 Can -- Sold \$48 Can

Closed May 22

Canada OCE2, the 17 cent OHMS perfin Special Delivery Official in VF LH condition. Unitrade -- Est \$30 Can. -- Sold \$18 Can.

Natal #100, the 1902 Edward VII 20 Pound high value used (as revenue) "RD" perfin. 2004 Scott for Revenue usage -- Est \$189. -- Sold \$60 Canadian

Closed June 12

Lot 79 -- Great Britain #60. Two used examples of the 1872 6p gray, wmk 25, plate 12. Both sound and Fine, one has a private perfin. 2004 Scott -- Est \$476.00 -- Sold \$36.00

Lot 109 -- Canada - 27 different 4-hole OHMS perfins. Most VF MNH. Ranging between #O231 // OE11. Unitrade by owner. -- Est \$437.00 -- Sold \$160.00

Lot 135 -- Worldwide - Perfins - 45 different 19th to early 20th century European issues. Including some better stamps and very elaborate perfins. Estimate -- Est \$40.00 -- Sold \$32.00

Based on Richard's note I checked the other 3 WEEDA BIDBOARD AUCTIONS listed currently on their site and found the following:

Closed June 19

Lot 33 -- Canada #OCE1-OCE4. VF used, all with CDS, 1942-1943 OHMS perfins on Air Post Special Delivery complete set. 2004 Scott Classic. -- Est \$232.00 -- Sold \$95

Lot 104 -- Canada #O231-O236, O241-O245, O241a, OC1, OC6, OE7 (x2). OHMS perfin

Officials, all used except one of the OE7 is MH. 1928-1939 period. Clean lot. 2004 Scott Classic. Est \$167.00 Sold \$55.00

Steve Tauber (#2949) spotted the following:

Item number: 4168330247 -- MIDLAND GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY PERFIN PARCEL STAMP. Description: IRELAND: MIDLAND GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY: Design IV (Ewen 25) 3d black and brown on white parcel stamp perforated with the company's initials MGWR. This is example is used with a very clear '28' station numeral cancel within a toothed oval - a type of cancellation unique to the MGWR Rare in used condition. The stamp has a small abrasion at the 'AY' of Railway.-- 4 bids -- Winning bid: GBP 22.00 (Approximately US \$40).

Item number: 4171362139 -- New Zealand 9 x PERFINNED ARMS STAMPS -- FINE. Description: New Zealand 9 x Perfinned Arms stamps in very good condition. They comprise a 2/6 Brown : 5/- Green : 6/- Pink : 7/- Light Blue : 8/- Dark Blue : 9/- Orange : 10/- Red : 15/- Olive and a £1 Pink. A very nice lot, check out scan. -- 1 bid --Winning bid: US \$5.00

Item number: 4171366364 -- New Zealand 11s on 11s YELLOW PERFINNED ARMS -- FINE. Description: New Zealand - 11/- on 11/- Yellow Perfinned Arms stamp with a fine light cancellation.. -- 1 bid -- Winning bid: US \$4.00

Item number [Ed. Oops sorry - lost it] -- New Zealand 8 x QV LONG TYPE PERFINNED FISCALS. Description: New Zealand 8 x QV Long type perfinned fiscals in very good condition with fine stamp duty cancellations. They comprise a 2/6 Brown : 4/- Red : 5/- Green : 7/- Light Blue : 8/- Dark Blue : 9/- Orange : 10/- Red and £1 Pink. A very nice lot. -- 1 bid -- Winning bid: US \$6.00.

Item number: 4171367788 -- New Zealand 22s on 22s RED PERFINNED ARMS - FINE Description: New Zealand - 22/- on 22/- Red Perfinned Arms stamp with a fine light Wellington cancellation. -- 1 bid -- Winning bid: US \$8.99.

Item number: 5501799381 -- US Cuba Postal Card
Reval by Perfin by Cuba Rep 1904 Scarce! -- 4 bids
-- Winning bid: US \$122.50.

And **Christian Rueger (#1834)** spotted the
following in Nutmeg Auction 84 (June 29, 2004):

Lot #8200 -- Covers -6 var, Czech Occupation of
Silesia Ovpt SO 1920 in red (Mi #11A), single
franking on company cover w/ firm's perfin HM.

Perfins on this issue are rare . Cnl JF Oderberg
15.VI.20, Mo13-1687/6b. hor fold does not detract,
Signed Mahr, VF – Est \$150.

Lot 8694 -- 1912 Official VF, 25pf top mgn str/3 is
NH, pair &: single; 50pf LR cor mgn pair w/pl#3, all
w/ 'E' perfin VF (Mi#Dienst10,11, 178+DM=\$107) -
- Est \$75.

United States Airmail Coil Perfins

Bob Schwerdt (505L)

I thought it might be fun, and easy, to put together a
synoptic collection of perfined U.S. airs C1-100. It
has been fun but not easy. Naturally there will
always be blank spaces for the four zeppelins. Years
ago, I recall reading about PRR perfins in the 1930
set of three. I have seen a copy of the 65c value with
E31 perfin type. I know of no reports of perfined
C18's, however. Slim are the chances of filling those
spaces!

Though I still lack about 30 issues, the zepps aside,
nine of the missing items are coils including one
tagged coil. The only airmail coil that I own is a
mint favor strip of three with 'HAR | RIS | JH'
punched into C82's. After examining all my perfins
on cover including vast amounts of personal types, I
did not find any airmail coils. Probably those using
personal devices purchased them after 1973 and
punched only current issues. A few other collectors
also are missing examples of air coils. Articles and
checklists have been published for perfined C1-C6
and for C11, the beacon air issue, but air-mail coils
seem to have been neglected. I wonder if it is
because they don't exist?

What follows is a list of the Scott numbered coils, in
case anyone wishes to report evidence of perfins in
these issues.

5¢	C37	1948	33 million +
6¢	C41	1949	260 million +
7¢	C52	1958	157 + million +
7¢	C61	1960	87 + million +
8¢	C65	1962	?
8¢	C65a tag	1965	?
10¢	C73	1968	?
11¢	C82	1971	?
13¢	C83	1973	?

(? = no figures given in 1996 Scott
U.S. Specialized Catalog.)

One would think that after 25 years of airmail coil
production, some commercial perfins should exist
and would have been reported.

Even without the zepps, it may be impossible to
complete my synoptic airmail perfin collection. I
suppose that it is time to move on to another perfin
interest?

Club Member Ads

Wanted: Urgently seeking OS perfin on
Queensland #116. Dudley Priester, 49 Hillcrest,
Davenport, IA 52803

Wanted: Perfined Scott #859 Washington
Irving, on or off cover, for exhibit. Contact: Gary
Denis, P .0. Box 766, Patuxent River, MD 20670.

Northern Trust Perfin Explained

Ian Longley (#3382)

In the July/August 2002 Bulletin Joe Laura questioned the 2:15 pattern (US Num-15). Was it a reference to the intersection of streets on which the bank was located? The cover illustrating Joe's note shows only "The Northern Trust Company/Chicago, Illinois". In my update published in May 2003 I was able to provide the address of Northern Trust as South Lasalle in Chicago but could not, at that time, cast any light on why its perfin was "2:15".

Last year I visited Chicago, for my first time, specifically to visit Northern Trust on business. I arrived at Chicago Airport at 10.00 p.m. having flown from Aspen via Denver. Just to make matters interesting my luggage did not arrive with me! My meeting with Northern Trust was scheduled to commence at 9.00 a.m. in the building shown on the cover in Joe's article.

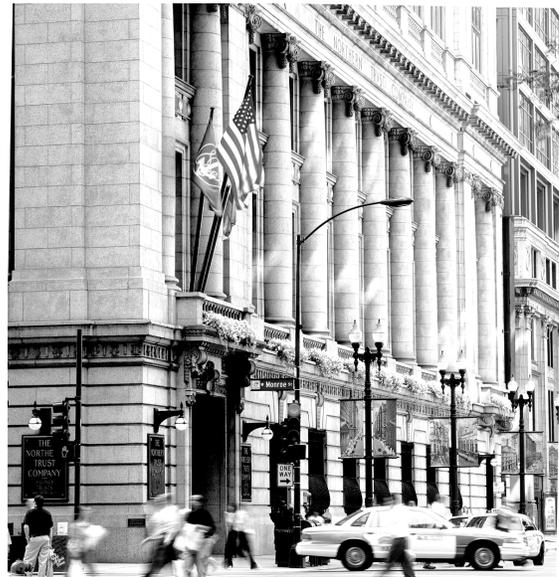
My hotel included various shops so first thing next morning I hurriedly purchased some essentials. What's this got to do with the perfin? Well, Northern Trust organized some deodorant that I'd forgotten to purchase and they also took care of tracking down my luggage and ensuring it was delivered to their offices. They did everything they could to help me out of a difficult situation and repeated this help in connection with the perfin.

I had meetings with several people during the day from the Chief Executive/Chairman downwards. With the exception of the first meeting, all included an explanation of what perfins are, why they were used and discussion of the possible origin of the 2:15 pattern. Over lunch we speculated whether it could have been related to grid references and even traced a sign on the side of the building that included part of the number but in the end none of this was relevant.

Despite having a successful day business wise, and seeing the banks coin room, it was a blank on the perfin but Northern Trust promised to keep investigating. Needless to say my departure from

Chicago was as eventful as the arrival; I sat in the plane at the edge of the runway for two hours while a thunderstorm, the like of which I've never seen before, passed over the airfield.

It will come as no surprise that the person I met at the first meeting, with whom I didn't discuss the perfin, gave the lead to the answer! '2:15' is part of the banks routing code. Routing codes appear on cheques, similar to our Sort Codes in the UK, and help cheques progress through the clearing system. This led me to the Federal Reserve and the American Bankers Association. Northern Trust's full routing code is 7 10 2:15. The explanations received indicate that: "710" represents the 7th Federal Reserve District (7; the Mid West) and the 7th District Head Office which is Chicago ("1"); and the "2:15" is Chicago ("2") and the bank identifier (15). So there you have it.



Modern Fascade of the Northern Trust Co. building in Chicago

The offices at South Lasalle are magnificent, although now they are dwarfed by newer buildings

The Perfins of Jugoslavia Can You Add Information?

Dick Scheper (#3311)

Introduction

If you collect the perfins of Jugoslavia, sooner or later you will ask the question: "Where can I get a good catalog of Jugoslavian perfins?" After some research you will find that such a 'catalog' has been published two times. The first was published around 1980, when Fejtek Maxa from Prague presented his listing of Jugoslavian perfins. The second was published in 1994 in the World Perfins Catalog, European section (WPC), edited by Bob Schwerdt for the US Perfins Club.

Maxa's list is in Czechoslovakian and includes only three sheets in A5-format, on which the perfins are shown in actual size. Maxa explains that he has only seen some of these perfin on stamps of Bosnia or Hungary. Therefore, it is possible that these perfins were only used before 1918, when the territories (later to become) Jugoslavia formed a part of several other countries. If we concentrate only on perfins in stamps of Croatia, Slovenia and Jugoslavia, Maxa reports the existence of 66 different perfins and lists the identity of the users of only 11 of these.

Schwerdt's catalog from 1994 shows separate lists of perfins from Bosnia & Herzegovina, Croatia-Slavonia, Slovenia (as 'Jugoslavian Forerunners') and then Jugoslavia. In this catalog 84 different perfins are listed for Jugoslavia (plus one use each of 'B.C.I.' in Rejeka and Istria). However, concerning this figure of 84, analysis suggests that this list may be further refined. First, for 7 perfins only probable initials are listed: no pictures were available. Second, 8 other perfins are listed as a 'T' (tracing): these perfins haven't been seen by the catalog editor but instead were taken from other publication(s). From the pictures in the World Perfins Catalog it seems to me that these tracings were taken from Maxa's list. So there is a chance that the WPC has included some perfins for which Maxa only reported existence in Hungarian stamps predating the formation of the separate country of Jugoslavia (when Zagreb still was a town in Hungary.). As long as these perfins don't show up in stamps of Croatia,

Jugoslavia or Slovenia, I suggest we should hesitate to include them in a summary of Jugoslavian perfins.

The World Perfins Catalog tells us the user identities of only 13 perfins. So, during the period between Maxa's list in 1980 and the WPC list in 1994, very little new information about perfin users in Jugoslavia had come to light.

Except for the above mentioned catalogs, I could not find other publications about the perfins of Jugoslavia. Maybe other members of The Perfins Club know of other sources. If so, I would be very pleased to hear from them!

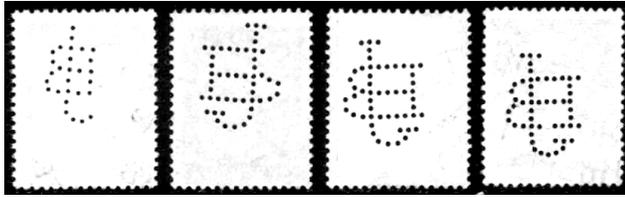
The reason for this article is that I intend to publish a catalogue of Jugoslavian perfins. One of my ideas is to publish information based only on stamps and covers in my own collection and from photocopies or scans from fellow collectors (not founded upon the full data in the above mentioned catalogs). In other words this new catalog will contain only patterns whose existence and actual form are certain. A provisional survey of Jugoslavian perfins from my collection is presented in the table in this article. This table shows a list of 80 different Jugoslavian perfins. At present I can prove the user identities of 54 of these perfins.

Explanation of the Table

The table below shows nine different columns. From left to the right you will see:

Perfin

This column shows the initials of the perfin. (In the intended new catalogue the perfins of course will be shown in real size.). In fact the initials of Jugoslavian perfins are usually sufficient to distinguish each pattern: only a very few Jugoslavian perfins have the same initials. An example is the perfin 'JB' (monogram) of the Jugoslavische Bank. This monogram perfin 'JB' is known in four different forms. All four are shown next.,



Slov.

An 'x' in this column means that this perfin is known on stamps of Slovenia, issued in 1919 and 1920. The mention of '(C)' in this column means that this perfin is (also) known on stamps of Croatia, issued on January 15, 1919. An example of a Croatian and a Slovenian perfin is shown below.



Kraljevstvo 1920-22 (labelled "K-20")

On October 29, 1918 the Serbs, Croats and Slovenians who were living in the (former) Austro-Hungarian empire, united to form an independent state (SHS). The first postage stamps of this state were issued on June 24, 1920. These stamps show the word 'Kraljevstvo'. An 'x' in this column means that the perfin is known on stamps with the word 'Kraljevstvo'.

Kraljevina 1923-28 (labelled "K-23")

In 1922 the SHS-state united with the kingdom of Serbia. On January 23, 1923 the first stamps for this state were issued. These stamps show the word 'Kraljevina' (Kingdom).

Jugoslavia 1929-34 (labelled "J-29")

In 1928 the Kingdom SHS was renamed the 'Kingdom of Yugoslavia'. From 1929 on the stamps show the country name 'Jugoslavija' and (often) the portrait of King Alexander I.

Jugoslavia 1935-etc (labelled "J-35")

On October 7, 1934 King Alexander I was murdered in Marseille (France). He was succeeded by King Peter II. An 'x' in this column means that this perfin (also) exists on stamps from the reign of King Peter II.

Place of use

This column contains the name of the town where the firm was located. This information is based upon a perfin cover with user identity or, when no cover or other document is available, the information is based on a readable postmark.

User identity known (labelled "User ID")

An 'x' in this column means that the user identity is known. This confirmation of identity is based only upon available covers or postcards. If there is no 'x' in this column, I would appreciate it very much if fellow collector would send me any confirmed information about user identities!

Rarity

As you can see, this is still an empty column. It is my intention to give a scarcity rate later, based not only upon the stamps in my collection but also upon information from other collectors.

**Your help is appreciated!
See my request for help at the end of
this article.**

Perfin	Slov	K-20	K-23	J-29	J-35	Place of use:	User ID	Rarity
A.K. L.	x	x				Ljubljana	x	
A.L. W.	x (C)	x	x	x	x	Varazdin (Warazdin)	x	
A.W.			x	x		Zagreb		
B.					x	Novi Sad	x	
BALKAN		x				Ljubljana	x	

Perfin	Slov	K-20	K-23	J-29	J-35	Place of use:	User ID	Rarity
BB (monogram)			x	x		Stari Becej		
BCU	x	x	x	x		Beocin	x	
BFC					x	Beocin	x	
B.&F.			x			Novi Sad		
CATER	x	x				Celje		
CT (monogram)		x				Celje	x	
DC	x	x				Nagy Beckerek		
D.D.				x	x	Maribor	x	
D.&D. M.		x	x	x		Maribor	x	
Д.П. (D.P. in Cyrillic)					x	Beograd		
D.R.	x	x	x	x	x	Celje	x	
Dr.F.Z.	x	x	x			Celje	x	
E F	x (C)	x	x	x		Zagreb	x	
E.S.	x	x	x	x	x	Pristava	x	
F.					x			
FFB		x				Novi Sad		
F.K	x	x				Zagreb		
F.Z.	x	x	x	x	x	Celje	x	
GORJAN			x			Zagreb	x	
GZL		x	x			Ljubljana	x	
H.A.G				x	x	Zagreb	x	
H.A.G ZAGREB			x	x		Zagreb	x	
H.F.S.	x	x	x	x	x	Zagreb	x	
H.P.S.			x	x	x	Zagreb	x	
ISIS			x	x		Zagreb	x	
JB (28 holes; monogram)				x	x	Zagreb	x	

Perfin	Slov	K-20	K-23	J-29	J-35	Place of use:	User ID	Rarity
JB (49 holes; open B; monogram)			x	x		Beograd + Zagreb	x	
JB (52 holes; J: 21 holes; monogram)			x	x	x	Osijek	x	
JB (53 holes; J: 22 holes; monogram)		x	x	x	x	Beograd	x	
J.K.Z.		x	x			Zagreb	x	
JLS (monogram)	x	x	x			...jelovar		
JO&C	x					Domzale		
J.R.			x	x		Maribor		
JT.	x	x				Novi Sad		
KB (monogram)		x	x	x		Novi Sad (also: Bemun)	x	
K.L.	x	x				Maribor	x	
L.F.S.	x	x	x	x	x	Maribor	x	
L.H.	x					Sarajewo	x	
MAJDIC	x	x	x	x		Celje	x	
MB		x				Koyebje		
MU (monogram)			x	x		Osijek	x	
NOVOSTI	x	x				Zagreb	x	
O.V.		x	x			Zagreb		
PERDAN		x				Ljubljana	x	
P.I.		x				Spalato (Split)	x	
P.K.			x	x	x	Zagreb		
P.L.					x	Maribor		
P.S.	x	see 'S'	see 'S'			Ljubljana	x	
RE (22 holes)					x	Novi Sad		
R.E. (24 holes)				x	x	Novi Sad		
R.O.	x					Ljubljana	x	
R.S.	x	x	x	x	x	Celje	x	

Perfin	Slov	K-20	K-23	J-29	J-35	Place of use:	User ID	Rarity
S. (partial of P.S.)	see P.S.	x	x			Ljubljana	x	
S.C.L.		x	x		x	Sisak (near Fiume)		
S & Co..		x				Sisak	x	
S.H.G.	x	x	x	x	x	Belisce	x	
S.K.	x	x	x			Szeged	x	
S.N.		x	x			Novi Sad		
SO (S in circle)					x	Zagreb		
SOCHER		x				Zagreb	x	
SRP		x	x			Sarajewo	x	
SS (monogram)			x	x		Zagreb	x	
StMC (monogram)	x	x	x	x		Celje	x	
S.T.S.		x	x			Zagreb	x	
S&V	x	x	x	x	x	Ljubljana	x	
T.I.V.			x			Varazdin	x	
T.K.		x	x			Zagreb	x	
U.H.				x	x	Maribor		
VOCDD		x	x			Zagreb	x	
VSS (monogram)			x			Zagreb	x	
--- (WBV in Cyrillic)		x				Beograd	x	
W.B.V.	x	x	x			Zagreb	x	
ZAGREB			x			Zagreb		
Z.H.	x					?		
ZSC		x				Celje		

Monogram perfins

To understand the initials of the very few Yugoslavian monogram perfins, I show the perfins BB, CT and JLS...



and the perfin KB, MU and StMC.



Help asked

The help of other collectors would be very much appreciated. I hope you can add to the information shown in the above survey of Yugoslavian perfin.

I would like to ask readers the following questions:

1. Do you have Yugoslavian patterns not listed in the first column of the survey?
2. Do you have additional information about the use of perfin on the issues of Slovenia and Yugoslavia, according to the periods mentioned in the table?

3. Can you add information about Yugoslavian perfin users from documents or photocopies in your collection?
4. Which perfin (different dies) from the table do you have on Yugoslavian stamps? And which on Slovenian stamps? If it is more convenient for you, you may also send me your wantlist. I realize that responding to this question may involve a lot of work. I very much need your information however in order to get reliable scarcity ratings.

Any additional information is very welcome! So are photocopies or scans when you have information concerning new user identities or perfin which are not mentioned in the survey. I would be happy to return your costs for photocopies and postage.

Please send your information or questions to:

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How to Soak Early Austrian Stamps

Edited from e-mails between Daniel Howell (#2138), Steve Endicott (#2284) and Doug Turner (#2549)

The Concern:

Hi all, I just won a large lot of Austria perfin. Now how do I soak them off paper? I've used plain water (ok for a few), water with enzyme detergent (Tide) (worked on about 1/2) & dish soap & water (0 results). I tried a mild alcohol soak & the ink ran, leaving a white piece of paper with glue on the back! Any other ideas? I'll be putting some of these in the club auction. Coffee cup anyone? Thank you for your help. This problem really has me stumped.

A Response:

A few years ago a collector from Europe sent Bob Schwerdt a chemical that, when added in a small amount to water, will work when soaking off stamps from Austria. It is called Pancreatin (a digestive enzyme that is used to supplement low levels of production by a body). I don't know anything about

the safety of this chemical. On some of my visits to his house we have soaked stamps from Austria and it does work.

The Result:

I bought a bottle of Pancreatin capsules from a health food store. I opened 1 capsule and added it to about a quart or so of water. (Be sure not to get any on you - its what is in your tummy.) Mixed it up with a spoon and soaked my stamps in it.

Wonderful results! The glue on the Austrian stamps was eaten by the enzymes. After rinsing the stamps many times to get rid of all the enzyme, I dried them on wax paper with paper towels, pressed down with the telephone book. The stamps look fabulous! Now I have enough for 1,000s of stamps; one capsule works for a long time.

More on Francalettere

David Coath (#3722)

I was reading the [June 2004] Bulletin and noted your interest in the Italian Francalettere. I am not going to be of much help but can offer the following. I had noted these Francaletteres at the end of the "Catalogo dei Perfin Italiani" by Enrico Bertazzoli and Beppe Ermentini (2000). It is an excellent reference, presented in paperback with colour plates and large sections translated into English. Francaletteres are covered on page 230.

I asked my wife who is of Italian parentage to translate the page for me, but, due to the non-conversational nature of the text, she was only able to make a rough translation as follows: "A perfin coming from the publicity (advertising) card (ticket?) sold at price indicated in perforation reduced (?) in respect to the face value of the stamp."

Needless to say at the conclusion of this explanation I just hoped that I would never see one so that I would not have to understand what all that meant.

And Paul Mistretta (LM#111)

With this input from David I got interested – Yes (again) the catalog mentioned was right behind me in a file drawer!

The text that David's wife tackled is: "Perfin provenienti de Biglietti Pubblicitari venduti al prezzo indicato in perforazione ridotto rispetto al valore facciale del francobollo." Babelfish is a free translation service available on the web which allows one to enter up to 150 words at a time for translation. So, great! Let's try that. And Babelfish lived completely up to the reputation of the Tower of Babel, translating the catalog explanation as follows: "Perfin coming from de sold Advertising Tickets to the price indicated in perforation ridotto regarding the value makes them of the stamp" Now doesn't that just help understand what is going on?

So, back to the old fashioned Collins Italian*English / English*Italian Dictionary. Beginning with the two translations above and adding the dictionary, I have come up with the following: "Perfin provided by Advertising Offices, sold at the price indicated by the perfin [which is a] reduced [price] with respect to the facial value of the postage stamp." This translation is consistent with the franking values given for the five illustrated francalettere in the Bertazzoli & Ermentini catalog: 1c on 2c (c = centesimi), 4c on 5c, 8c on 10c, 18c on 20c, and 8c

on 10c.

In addition to this information, I also found (while scanning perfin information) a single page copied from Club Library file IT-1 several years ago. On pages 88-89 of this unnamed reference piece under the heading of Franca Lettera I found (again pardon my transliteration from Italian): "1887 – A type of postal card formatted 120 [cm] : 180 [cm]. Within the left perforated margin (the part to be discarded) the words: Publicita circolante permanente; within the right margin: Direzione Via V. Emanuele 40 p. p. Livorno. Within the back [selvedge] on the gummed tongue used to seal the correspondence: LA FRANCA LETTERA (the coat-of-arms of Sabauda) SISTEMA BREVETTATO. Internally is a [letter] sheet that is finely lined [with a grid like graph paper]." This catalog lists 4 of the 5 shown by B&E.

Neither catalog mentions francalettere with non-perfinned stamps. From the discussions above and the description of the auction lot published in the June Bulletin I would speculate that these franca lettera (franked advertising letter sheets?) were sold pre-franked (normally) with a perfin revalued, reduced rate stamp. If this is the case, it would explain the relative scarcity of franca letteri with non-perfinned stamps.

Hong Kong Fish

Charles Karnolt (#3704)

With respect to the Hong Kong fish punctures, the punches were most likely created using a wire EDM process – the wire diameter used to create profiles are less than .010” and is a common technique for creating almost any shape. The path/profile is developed from a computer aided machining (CAM) program that can hold true position within $\pm.001$ ”. If

there are members who are interested in using this technology to create unique perfin patterns almost any machine tool company that has this capability can usually accommodate. A laser or water jet machine might be able to do this as well, but wire EDM would be the method of choice for a punch and die form such as this.

More Perfins on GB 1947 (plus) 11d Issues

Alastair Walter

Following Vince McDermott's piece on page 64 of the April 2004 Perfins Bulletin, a quick look through the A-B section of my own modest collection produced two perfins on the George VI 11d stamp; AWG (5800.02) and B (0010.04).

The stamp that replaced this, the Wilding 11d on Tudor Crown watermarked paper, is a scarcer stamp in normal condition, so presumably would be scarce as a perfin as well.

A common stamp that is not often seen perfined is the halfpenny value from the first Machin issue. By the time this stamp was issued in 1968, halfpennies were being phased out. The only postal rate that I can find still involving an odd halfpenny by then was the late fee for items posted in traveling post offices - not a rate that would have seen much commercial use.

Holey Argentina

Paul Mistretta (LM#111)

I have spotted another “is it a perfin” – this one from Argentina. On March 27 Argentina issued a pair of se-tenant stamps as part of the ongoing Americana series. This year’s theme, protection of the environment was the basis for this pair of stamps. As designed, the stamp on the left is primarily in shades of green while the stamp on the right is in orange and red tones. Both picture a forest canopy (tree tops). Where the interest lies for us is the right stamp: it was produced with a hole in the center (surrounded by a brown tone) which is designed to represent the depletion of Argentina’s forests. It’s a hole – but is it a perfin?



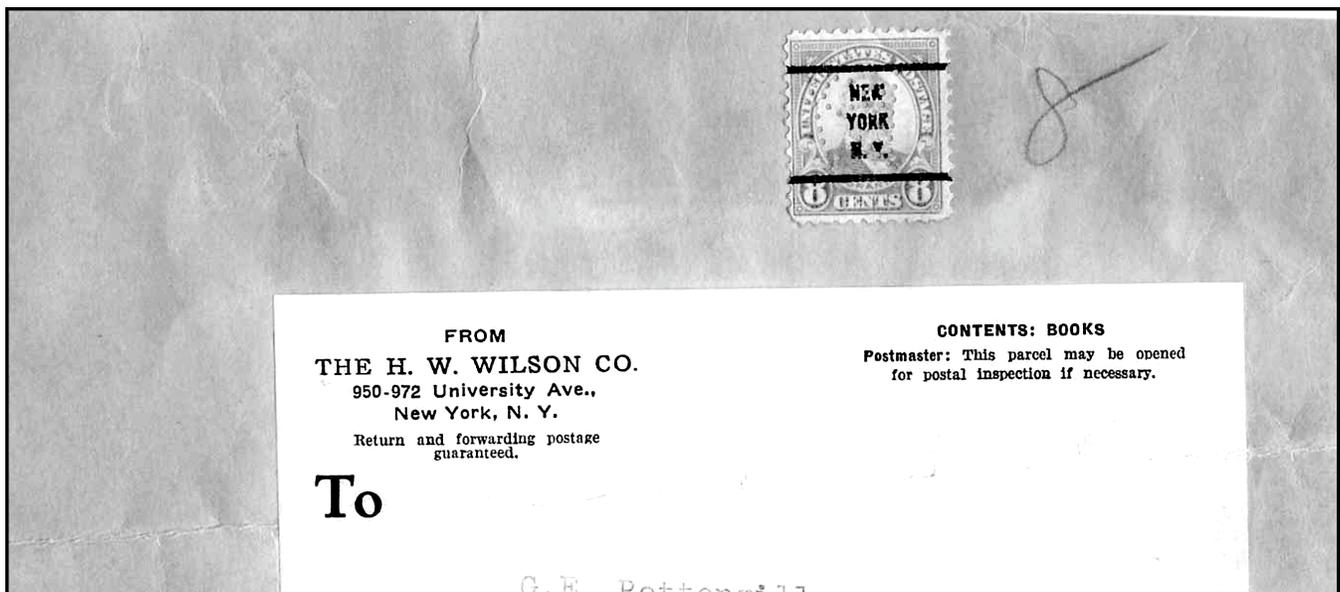
W61 - IDENTIFICATION MYSTERY

Bob Szymanski (LM-145)

The US Catalog lists the W61 perfin user as White Motor Company in New York, NY. Having grown up in Cleveland, OH only a half-dozen blocks away from the White Motor Company, I was never aware that they had an office, most probably a sales office I suspect, in New York. I knew that their Main Office was probably not in New York, as my Dad had purchased a used Chrysler in the late 1940's from the Treasurer of the White Motor Company in Cleveland.

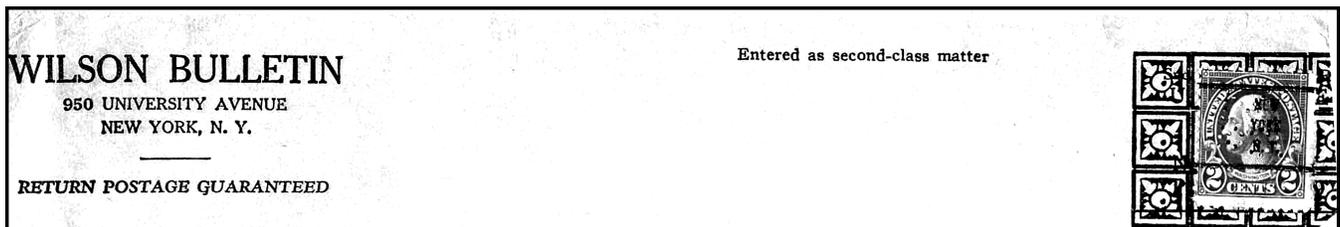
I do remember seeing the W60 and W61 perfin patterns listed as the White Motor Company, all the time wondering why W60 looked like W59 and W59.5 (both Wayne County, MI) while W60 and W61 looked nothing like each other!

Another mystery was why were all the W61 perfins I had "prepers"? Why would a sales department of a truck manufacturer use only "prepers"? Sometimes the questions come more quickly than the answers.



I suspect that I might now know the answer. Look at the two copies of a strip and a partial package mailing label. These two items are both W61 and both have "prepers" from New York. So what's different? They are not White Motors but The H.W. Wilson Co. and the Wilson Bulletin (possibly an in

house publication or sales listing of company products as partial package piece indicates "books" as the contents). My wife, Sue-Ellen, is a librarian and indicated that H.W. Wilson Co. is known to her as a provider of reference materials for libraries!



I would ask for members to search their holdings for a W61 on either a White Motors or Wilson identified cover. I suspect that years ago the White

Motors identification may have crept in when someone entered the identification for W60 and then unwittingly and mistakenly entered it again for W61.

Congratulations!!

Harvey Tilles' exhibit "To Prevent Postal Fraud and deceit" (about 25% demonstrates perfins and their precursors) won its third international gold medal (with 91 POINTS) in Valencia, Spain at ESPANA 2004.

Harvey writes: "Perfins can win national and international awards if the exhibits relate a story and show the material..." For those of you who exhibit or are considering exhibiting, Harvey makes an offer too good to miss: "I will be most happy to help anyone who wishes to exhibit."

Cohen Update of Black Hardings Ready (Editor)

Larry Cohen has submitted a 2004 update of the Black Harding census that he is maintaining. The listing is incredible in its detail. What I received was a set of raw data, color-coded to allow detailed tracking of the information. Unfortunately, the Bulletin is not produced in color!

Larry maintains records of who reports what, and when. But his record (in an EXCEL spreadsheet) is far more detailed than what we normally publish in the Bulletin (plus as already mentioned color is a problem in a B&W publication). So, I have taken some serious liberties with the information he sent to me.

Beginning (and maybe completed) next month I will publish Larry's listing of all reported patterns on the Black Hardings. Also to be published next month is the name of the individual to be awarded the medallion (see June's Bulletin) for adding the largest number of patterns to the listing. (Larry will disclose this name at the Convention – and, although I have been told the name. I will let the announcement be Larry's.)

Larry's workbook contains the numbers of issues reported by catalog number, who reported them, and during which census of these perfins. It includes information on a large number of new reports. Also included are comments at to changes needing to be noted from previous surveys like changed catalog numbers. He also (in addition to recording the perfins in #610 & #612 separately, reported copies known on cover and copies known as prepers. So, as

is readily evident, Larry has provided a vast amount of data.

Beginning next month you will see Larry's data in three separate tables. The first will reflect the patterns reported by issue and cover. The header of this table will appear as follows:

	610	612	CVR
A			
18	X		

A simple X will reflect presence on the issue (consistent with other published surveys - counts will not be given here). This will be far and away the largest table published.

Comments will be handled in a separate table as follows:

	610	612	CVR	Notes
A40	RD			

And the listing of perfins in precancelled Black Hardings is separated (due small size) as follows:

	610	612	CVR	Preper	Notes
B103	X			Portland, OR	(P 11)

Printed stuff is reduced and the three tables contain a summary of Larry's information.

So, see you next month with a large amount of information about a specialized area of collecting.

Auction #95- Closes September 30, 2004

Guidelines: Lots will be sold to the highest bidder at the following advances over the next highest bidder: \$1-\$20 - \$0.50; \$20-\$50 - \$1; \$50 to whatever - \$5.00. **NO unlimited bids.** No bids accepted under \$1.00. In case of tie bids the earliest postmark or email will take priority. All single perfins are complete and in good condition, unless specified otherwise. Natural straight edges are not considered to be defects, just plate position indicators. In larger lots some faults are to be expected. All smaller lots are returnable if misdescribed. This does not apply to larger lots or mixes with the exception of radical miscounts. Lots to be prepaid before shipping. Please pay for your lots within 15 days of notice of winning. (This has become a problem in the past two auctions) Please bid by lot #.

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Abbreviations used:

ADD = AU different designs (patterns)
 DDF = Design different face
 MDD = Mostly different designs

or ?h = % of damaged in lot or # of missing holes.
 Scott #s are used, and die #s from the most recent catalogues when available.

Lot #	Description	Rate	Lot #	Description	Rate	Lot #	Description	Rate
United States			29	F126 in #524 Split	E	53	M183in #498	C+
1	A-19 in #737	B	30	F161 in #479	E	54	M298 in #406	B+
2	A139.1 in #707 9h	A	31	F230 in #334	B	55	N73 in #463	B
3	A92 in #515	C+	32	G13 in #557	C+	56	N104.3 in #701	B+
4	A104A in #463	B+	33	G71 in #1130	C+		1 pin split	
5	A221C in #807	A	34	G72-various -60 stamps,		57	N113AB-14 in #817	C
6	A226A in #530	B+		30 are in 1902 issues to		58	N159 in #693	B
7	B21 in #552	B		the 50¢ value.		59	O24.1 in #530	A
8	B104 in #332	C+		Minimum Bid = \$7.50		60	O46 in #562	B
9	B116-10 in #805	B	35	G 127 in #567	B+	61	O91 in #300	A
10	B157 in #507	B+	36	G162 in #332	B		3 pulled perfs	
11	BI63.5 in #499	B+	37	G188 in #472 3h	B+	62	P8 in #642	B
12	B227 in #332	C+	38	H131 in #332	C+	63	P35 in #499	B
13	C19 in #499	C+	39	H77 in #398	C+	64	PI12 in #406	C+
14	C122 in #406	C+	40	H144 in #332	C+	65	PI13 in #506	B+
15	C133 in #463	C+	41	H167 in 9 mnh stamps;			2 pulled perfs	
16	C203 in # 406	C+		640(4),685,709, 710, 711		67	R71 in #807	B+
17	C232.5 in #581	B		& 715		68	R137 in #332	C+
18	C299 in #499	C+		Minimum Bid = \$4.00		66	R63 in #632	B
19	C382A in #564	B	42	J11A in #463	A	69	S59 in #632	B
20	C382A in #516	B	43	J126 in #518	B		misaligned pair	
	Split		44	J141.5 in #637	C+	70	S147 in #462	B+
21	D32A in #332	B+	45	J158.5 in #507	B+	71	S174.5 in #499	B+
22	E15.5 in #487	B+	46	L13.5 in #334	A	72	S182 in #408	B+
23	D102 in #632	C+	47	L54 in #1008	C+	73	S286 in #375	C+
24	E5 in #332	B	48	L59 in #528	C+	75	T15 in #634 1h	B
25	E27 in #463	A	49	L88 in #693	C+	76	T123 in #463	C+
26	E75 in #332	B	50	L189 in #808	C+	77	U47.5 in #400	B
27	F24 in #463	C+	51	M66 in #406	B	78	W82 in #332	C+
28	F89.1 in #331	A	52	M89 in #332	C+	79	V9 in #504	B

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80	W165 in #640	B	107	Belgium - Pattern #E17 on Cover	136	Great Britain - Pattern M0360.01c in #251A
81	Postage Due # 183 in a block of 8 with a 'paid' + date punch		108	Canada - 25 Mix	137	Great Britain - Pattern T1880.01 in #s309 & 310
82	6 non regular issue US stamps perfinned plus 3 personal perfins. Minimum Bid = \$1.50		109	Canada - 10 DDF	138	Great Britain - 65 Mix
83	35 perfins in a post 1965 mix.		110	Canada - 17 DDF	139	Great Britain - 63 DDF - 54 ADD
84	100 DDF perfins Minimum Bid = \$2.00		111	Ceylon - 5 ADD	140	Great Britain - 4 DDF - #309(2), #310(2)
85	50 DDF perfins		112	China- 4 DDF- 3 ADD	141	Great Britain - 9 DDF in 2/6 to 10sh values
86	40 revenue perfins		113	Crete - Pattern 'BA'	142	Great Britain - Sample card with 'B..H' perfin
87	45 different perfins		114	Cuba - Mix 79	143	Great Britain - WSB/Eco in pair of #222 cover
88	Mix- 1400 + perfins		115	Czechoslovakia- 5 ADD	144	Greece - 4 DDF -3 ADD
89	R51 in #510 cover. Miami to Chicago Graf Zeppelin flight (1933) Minimum Bid = \$15.00		116	Denmark - Mix 25	145	Haiti - A1 in #52
90	10 perfin covers		117	Denmark - Pattern #P3 on cover	146	Hungary - 'B.T.' in #109 Block of 18 (mirror pairs)
91	6 Bank Checks with dater perfins		118	Denmark - Pattern #EL on cover - -with Nazi censor tape	147	Hungary - G3 perfin on cover
92	47 perfin covers		119	France - Pattern #A94 in #344-	148	Hungary - 9 ADD
93	A nice group of 24 perfin covers, all with overseas destinations		120	France - Pattern #A94 in #252 - 1h	149	India - 10 ADD
94	State and Federal 667 revenue perfins		121	France - 45 DDF -31 ADD	150	India - 10 ADD in Victoria and E VII
	FOREIGN		122	France - 14 DDF - all in large stamps	151	India - 49 DDF -12 ADD
95	Argentina - 16 DDF		123	France - 10 DDF - catalogue over \$175.00	152	India, Dominion of - 5 ADD
96	Australian - 'VG' Block of 6 of #575		124	France - Mix 50	153	India/Hyderabad - 'P.P' in #30
97	Australia - 44 DDF		125	France - 10 DDF - 6 ADD Airmails	154	Ireland - 6 DDF - 5 ADD
98	Australia - Mix 120		126	Germany - 100 DDF - Minimum Bid \$10.00	155	Italy - 100 DDF
99	Australia - #585 on card with 'PHILAS' perfin		127	Germany - 100 DDF - Minimum Bid \$10.00	156	Italy - 6 ADD Covers
100	Austria - 21/24 DDF		128	Germany - 100 DDF - Minimum Bid \$10.00	157	Japan - H36 in #85
101	Austria - 10 ADD		129	Germany - 100 DDF - Minimum Bid \$10.00	158	Japan - H36 in # 150
102	Austria - 7 DDF newspaper stamps		130	Germany - 110 DDF	159	Japan - H45 in # 151
103	Austria - Pattern #W37 on cover		131	Germany - 420 Mix	160	Japan - R35 in block of 4 of #141
104	Bavaria - 7 ADD		132	Germany - Pattern 'R.K.K'. cover with 2 official stamps	161	Japan - 84 DDF -37 ADD
105	Belgium - 22 DDF		133	Germany - 5 trade cards with perfins	162	Mauritius - 2 ADD
106	Belgium - 12 ADD		134	Germany - Arthur Haendler perfin cover	163	Netherlands - 22 DDF - 17 ADD
			135	Great Britain - Pattern M0360.01 in #s 249, 250 & 251	164	Jugoslavia - Jugoslavenska Bank perfin cover
					165	Netherlands - 22 DDF
					166	Netherlands - 385 DDF - 104 ADD

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167 Netherlands - Card with 'UDBZ' perfin	175 Straits Settlements - 19 DDF - 5 ADD	mounted in catalogue pages. As received, no stamps removed.
168 Netherlands - Cover with 'A.C.I.' perfin	176 Switzerland - Pattern #J3 on cover	Overall condition is excellent
169 New Zealand - Card with 'Thank You' perfin	177 Worldwide 40 DDF perfins	181 266 ADD Switzerland in Schweiz Catalogue
170 Norway - Cover with 4 'Brodrene Dahl Norsk' perfins	178 Worldwide 9 mixed perfin covers	182 180 ADD Hungary in Mitteilungsblatt Catalogue
171 Portugal - 10 DDF	179 34 mixed perfin covers - 50/50 US/Worldwide - condition mixed.	183 278 ADD Spain in RPE Catalogue
172 Saar - 2 ADD	180 Great Britain catalogue of Official perfins (1967)	184 273 ADD Bavaria in Perfins Club pages
173 Spain - 17 ADD		185 614 ADD Belgium in Perfins Club pages
174 Spain - Cover with 2 'A de Burgos Maesso' perfins	The next five lots are collections	

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