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## \* \* Convention Update \* \*

As has been reported in the past couple *Bulletins*, the Perfins Club will again join the Precancel Stamp Society in their annual convention in Pittsburgh at The Inn at Greentree. (Greentree is a small suburb about 3 miles southwest of downtown Pittsburgh). The dates for this year's event are August 10 - 15; the week immediately after the APS StampShow, also to be held in Pittsburgh.

This is the same hotel that was used for the 2003 Convention. However, The Inn at Greentree is no longer a Holiday Inn. It is now under new ownership. To make your hotel reservation, you must telephone them direct at 1-412-922-8100. The PSS Convention rates will be accepted for reservations starting Saturday, August 8<sup>th</sup>.

Once again, Gary Hendren (#2490) is the Bourse Chairman. If you are interested in procuring a table, contact Gary at 12737 Glenage, Maryland Heights, MO 63043-2811, telephone: 314-576-5261, email: [G2hslm@msm.com](mailto:G2hslm@msm.com).

Bob Bruhn, this year's Convention Chairman, plans to mail PSS and Perfin Club members a packet of detailed information about this year's Convention in late April or early May. Among the items in this packet will be registration forms, a schedule of events, convention hotel rates, etc. However, you may also contact Bob prior to that time at 3535 Cornwall Drive, NW, Canton, OH 44708-1155.

## APS Volunteers Wanted

Jerry Hejduk (LM#3710)

The next American Philatelic Society (APS) show at which the Perfins Club plans to staff an Affiliate Booth will be the one in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania August 6 - 9, 2009. That is the weekend before the annual Perfins Club Convention in the same city. If

you plan to attend the APS Show, and have a couple of hours to volunteer staffing the Perfins Club Booth, please contact me at PO Box 490450, Leesburg FL 34749-0450, or by email at [flprepers@comcast.net](mailto:flprepers@comcast.net), or by telephone at (352) 326-2117.

## Dues are Due

See Secretary's Report (p. 71) for Details

## Reminder

### Hallock Card Award and Floyd Walker Award Nominations

Please forward your nominations for this year's Hallock Card Award and Floyd Walker Award as soon as possible so all deserving members may be considered. The Hallock Card Award should be sent to Art Mongan (LM#3443) or Rudy Roy (#1124) or John Randall (#1336). Art's and John's contact information is on page 46. Rudy's is: Rudy Roy,

P.O. Box 5367, Virginia Beach, VA 23471-0367, email: [royperfin@aol.com](mailto:royperfin@aol.com).

The Floyd Walker Award information should be sent to Ken Masters, Editor, *The Perfins Bulletin* at the contact information shown on page 46.

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## New Members Q & A

### How Do Most Members Mount Their Perfins?

In recent memory, the membership has not been polled to determine how most members collect/mount their perfins. It is safe to say that many use the catalog/album to various degrees. Inherent in the hobby is that there is no best/worst, right/wrong or good/bad way to collect and/or mount stamps. The answer as to why collectors mount stamps the way they do is to learn why they decided to collect perfins, and, as they accumulated them, how they decided to display them so that they might review their degree of success toward their collecting objective and possibly share it with others.

The members who use the catalog/album to mount their stamps are split into two basic groups: 1) stamp face up, or 2) face down. The face down "mounters" want to clearly show the perfin pattern, hopefully well centered in the stamp with no holes missing and the stamps are often found mounted in clear Showgard type mounts. The face up "mounters" usually have a tangential interest in particular stamp issues such as the 1902-08 series, Two Cent reds, Apple Greens, Black Hardings, etc. and take pride in displaying them. In addition, the crossover collectors of perfined precancels find it of much more interest to show the precancel on the face side, rather than the perfin punch from the back.

The collectors who do not mount the stamp in the catalog/album often indicate that they want to use the catalog as a reference to check future acquisitions. If there is a stamp covering the

referenced pattern, whether by hinge or in a mount, it is not easy to place a different stamp over the reference pattern. Some collectors use Vario or Hagner type pages to display perfins. Others use clear stock pages so that stamps can be seen from the front or back and frequently will put plain black paper pages between the stock sheets in order to make the perfin pattern clearly visible from either viewing position.

Please remember, as has been stated previously in this column, if one is going to use a catalog/album to mount their stamps, new members are encouraged to obtain a copy of the latest edition (1998) along with Additions and Corrections Pages Nos. 1 and 2. That combination of publications will provide the most comprehensive references for collecting and mounting perfins.

To further delineate the numerous stamp mounting possibilities, Perfins Club members with more collecting experience are encouraged to provide a description of different/interesting methods of mounting perfins with an explanation of how and why they devised such a method.

*If readers of this column have questions, suggestions or alternative answers to previous questions, please mail them to Jerry Hejduk, PO Box 490450, Leesburg FL 34749-0450 or email them to [flprepers@comcast.net](mailto:flprepers@comcast.net).*

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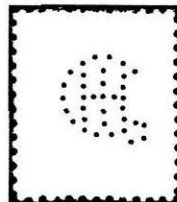
## Kansas/Nebraska Overprints - A Call for Help

Steve Endicott (#2284)

It has been ten years since we surveyed the existence of perfins on the Kansas/Nebraska overprint issues (Scott #658 - 679). Since then, our members have found some very interesting blocks and covers. Let's update the census! Please send me your list of perfins on these stamps, identifying the perfin and the stamp. Scans or photocopies are preferred, but not required. As with the last census, please also tell us of any perfins



Pattern I43.7H-11 on Scott 662  
(Back of stamp image inverted to show correct orientation of perfin.)



you have on other US overprints such as the Molly Pitcher overprint (Scott #646) and the Hawaii overprints (Scott #647 and 648). Respondent names will be kept anonymous. Please send me your information by August 1, 2009. Or, if you wish, bring your perfins to the Pittsburgh Convention where we can discuss them. My contact information is listed on page 46 in this *Bulletin*. Thank you!



# 2009 World Census Results

Bob Schwerdt (#505-L)

A major disappointment was that only 17 members responded - - about 3% of the membership. In the previous censuses - - 1993 and 1997 - - about 50 and 100 collectors, respectively, reported their totals. In the 1993 census, separate categories were arranged for reporting perfin: postal's, revenues, stationery, and officials. In 1997 there was no such division, so collectors had an easier task of counting everything.

Perhaps this 2009 census was too restrictive in requiring a count of only commercial perfins? Or perhaps collectors had acquired so many perfins that counting became too time consuming, especially if they had arranged their material into various topical areas; for example, the British perfins by monarchs, the U.S. perfins by 1902's, prepers, synoptic, etc.

Another disappointment was my fault for not adequately suggesting in more detail which count was wanted, i.e., the Colombian SCADTA and the Deutsches Reich overprints on Bavaria. For clarification, Scott numbers and additional descriptions have been added in many places to this final report. There are a total of 46 blank spaces - - no tallies - - a number which might have been reduced had more collectors participated. Nevertheless, many of the no tally areas represent scarce items or non-commercial perfin types since I arbitrarily added country names because revenue perfins existed from those places, and I believed that commercial perfins might also be found.

A rewarding feature was that several collectors added country names that were not listed on the original census form. These areas have been inserted into the final report, thus adding 24 to the original country and affiliates census list.

Thanks to all who participated: Paul Mistretta (LM#111), former *Bulletin* editor, who made the list of the original catalog perfin count and organized the census form; the members who participated and made valuable suggestions; and our present *Bulletin* editor, Ken Masters (#3589), who had the task of planning and arranging this final report.

In many places the collector tally equals the catalog perfin count or exceeds the count in several places. A collector count which exceeds the catalog count

may be significant for the foreign catalog editor to investigate for possible new patterns.

A "- S" in the Your Count column means that several collectors had the same totals.

In addition to the census forms, I have included three supplemental charts presenting some additional analysis of the results which you may find interesting.

I hope that this report will be useful to the membership now that country perfin possibilities and collector totals are known. Undoubtedly, this report has some mistakes. Please report any errors to me rather than to our editor. Ken already has plenty to do. I can write a follow-up article if you direct your responses to me at 9 Memory Lane, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603-5231.

## Countries with 400 - 10,000+ Perfins Reported

| Country        | 2009 High Count | 2009 Second High Count | 1993 "Postal" Count |
|----------------|-----------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| Bavaria        | 468             | 408                    | 398                 |
| Japan          | 484             | 368                    | 451                 |
| Czechoslovakia | 527             | 510                    | 537                 |
| Romania        | 565             | 491                    | 628                 |
| Australia      | 566             | 461                    | 468                 |
| Hungary        | 600             | 541                    | 423                 |
| Switzerland    | 603             | 549                    | 524                 |
| Italy          | 617             | 605                    | 718                 |
| India          | 626             | 547                    | 723                 |
| Netherlands    | 633             | 615                    | 688                 |
| Victoria       | 666             | 367                    | 452                 |
| Denmark        | 838             | 837                    | 819                 |
| Belgium        | 1167            | 993                    | 969                 |
| Austria        | 1830            | 1761                   | 1899                |
| France         | 2602            | 2434                   | 2421                |
| United States  | 6184            | 5765                   | ---                 |
| Germany        | 9740            | 9013                   | 8690                |
| Great Britain  | 17536           | 14085                  | 15576               |



**2009 Census of World Commercial Perfins (1 of 5)**

| Catal. Count  | Your Count   | Country or Unit                      | Catal. Count          | Your Count   | Country or Unit                            |
|---------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|--|
| <b>AFRICA</b> |              |                                      | <b>AFRICA (Cont.)</b> |              |  |
| *             | *            | Independent:                         | 3                     | 2 - 2157     | Reunion                                    |
| 32            | 31 - LM 2539 | Egypt                                | 30                    | 23 - LM145   | Tunisia                                    |
| 3             | 3 - S        | U.A.R.                               | *                     | *            | Portuguese Africa:                         |
| 3             | 3 - 2157     | Sudan                                | 4                     | 4 - 2157     | Angola                                     |
| *             | *            | British Africa:                      | (16)                  | 13 - 2157    | Azores                                     |
|               | 1 - S        | British East Africa                  | 3                     | 1 - 2157     | Cape Verde                                 |
| 1             | 1 - S        | Cameroons (U.K.T.T.)                 | 2                     | 2 - 2157     | Funchal                                    |
|               | 1 - 2549     | Bechuanaland Protectorate            | 3                     | 3 - S        | Lorenco Marques                            |
|               | 1 - LM145    | British Bechuanaland                 | 9                     | 5 - LM 2539  | Madeira                                    |
| 1             | 1 - S        | East Africa & Uganda Prot.           | (1)                   | 1 - S        | Mozambique                                 |
| 2             | 2 - S        | Gold Coast                           | 3                     | 2 - S        | Portuguese Guinea                          |
| 1             | 1 - S        | Kenya & Uganda (1922-23)             | 3                     | 2 - 505L     | St. Thomas & Prince                        |
|               | ---          | Kenya (1963+)                        | *                     | *            | Spanish Africa:                            |
| 6             | 5 - 1336     | Kenya, Uganda & Tangan. (1935-64)    | 7                     | 7 - LM 2539  | Morocco                                    |
| 13            | 13 - 2157    | Mauritius                            | <b>The AMERICAS</b>   |              |  |
| 2             | 2 - LM 2539  | Independent                          | *                     | *            | Independent:                               |
| 3             | ---          | Niger Terr.                          | 234                   | 188 - 505L   | Argentina                                  |
| 4             | 5 - 1336     | Nigeria Colony                       | 13                    | 9 - 2157     | Brazil                                     |
| 2             | 2 - S        | Nigeria Federation                   | 22                    | 19 - LM 2539 | Chile                                      |
| 1             | 1 - S        | Nigeria Republic                     | 8                     | 7 - S        | Colombia                                   |
| 1             | 1 - S        | Nyasaland Prot.                      | 1                     | 1 - S        | SCADTA - Consular "F" Overprint, Non-Scott |
| 2             | 3 - LM 2539  | Rhodesia (1890-1917)                 |                       | 3 - LM14     | SCADTA (Scott #C12 - 82)                   |
| 1             | 2 - S        | Sierra Leone                         | 22                    | 22 - LM145   | Cuba                                       |
| 76            | 54 - 505L    | South Africa Union                   | 2                     | 2 - S        | Ecuador                                    |
| 1             | 3 - S        | Republic                             | 1                     | 1 - S        | Haiti                                      |
| 66            | 35 - LM 2539 | Cape of Good Hope                    | 24                    | 20 - 1336    | Mexico                                     |
| 45            | 22 - LM145   | Natal                                | 1                     | ---          | Panama                                     |
| 27            | 14 - 505L    | Orange River Colony                  | 1                     | 1 - S        | Paraguay                                   |
| 1             | 1 - S        | Orange Free State - Br. Occ. V.R. I. | 7                     | 7 - 1336     | Peru                                       |
| 50            | 25 - 505L    | Transvaal                            | 1                     | 1 - S        | Salvador                                   |
| 5             | 6 - LM 2539  | Southern Rhodesia                    | 1                     | ---          | United Nations                             |
|               | ---          | Tanganyika (1967+)                   | 6393                  | 6184 - 2284  | United States                              |
|               | ---          | Uganda (1962+)                       | 6                     | 1 - LM145    | Puerto Rico                                |
| 3             | 3 - S        | Zanzibar                             | 8                     | 4 - LM145    | Canal Zone                                 |
| 1             | ---          | Republic                             |                       | 1 - LM14     | Chain Deliveries Exp. Inc.                 |
| *             | *            | French Africa:                       | 7                     | 7 - 505L     | Uruguay                                    |
| 58            | 41 - 2157    | Algeria                              | *                     | *            | British America:                           |
| (2)           | 2 - 2157     | Cameroon                             | 2                     | ---          | Bahamas                                    |
| 1             | 1 - S        | French Equatorial Africa             | 1                     | 2 - 505L     | Barbados                                   |
| 2             | 2 - LM 2539  | French West Africa                   | 1                     | 1 - S        | British Guiana                             |
| (1)           | 1 - LM 2539  | Ivory Coast                          | 339                   | 249 - LM14   | Canada                                     |
| 8             | 6 - 2157     | Madagascar                           | 1                     | 1 - 505L     | Falkland Iss.                              |
| 36            | 25 - 2157    | Morocco (Fr. Protectorate)           | 2                     | 3 - S        | Jamaica                                    |
|               | 2 - S        | Fr. Office (SC #1 - 37)              |                       |              |  |
| 2             | 2 - S        | Tangier Ovpts.                       |                       |              |  |

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|--|--------------|---------------------------------|--|-------------|--|
| Catal. Count                                     | Your Count   | Country or Unit                 | Catal. Count                                 | Your Count  | Country or Unit                        |
| <b>The AMERICAs (Cont.)</b>                      |              |                                 | <b>ASIA (Cont.)</b>                          |             |  |
| *  | *            | British America: (Cont.)        | *  | *           | British Asia: (Cont.)                  |
| 12   | 6 - LM14     | Newfoundland                    | 983  | 626 - LM14  | India                                  |
| 4  | 5 - 1336     | Trinidad                        | 40   | 28 - 2157   | East India                             |
| 1  | 4 - 2157     | Trinidad & Tobago               | *  | *           | States:                                |
| *  | *            | Dutch America:                  | 2  | ---         | Chamba                                 |
| 2  | 2 - S        | Curacao                         | 15   | 13 - S      | Cochin                                 |
| (1)  | 1 - S        | Netherlands Antilles            | 1  | 1 - 2157    | Faridkot                               |
| (1)  | ---          | Surinam                         | 1  | 1 - LM 2539 | Gwalior                                |
| *  | *            | French America:                 | 4  | 4 - S       | Hyderabad                              |
| (2)  | 1 - LM 2539  | Martinique                      |  | ---         | Indore                                 |
| <b>ASIA</b>                                      |              |                                 | 3  | 1 - S       | Travancore                             |
| *  | *            | Independent:                    | 6  | 5 - LM14    | Travancore-Cochin                      |
| 41   | 33 - LM145   | China                           | 1  | 1 - LM 2539 | Iraq                                   |
| *  | *            | Japanese Occ.:                  | *  | *           | Dutch Asia:                            |
| 1  | ---          | Honan                           | (29)   | 17 - 1336   | Dutch East Indies                      |
| 3  | 1 - S        | Hopei                           |  | 1 - LM14    | Regional: (Scott #63 - 80)             |
| 2  | ---          | North China                     |  | 2 - S       | Regional: Java-Madura                  |
| 1  | 1 - 1336     | Shanghai-Nanking                | *  | *           | French Asia:                           |
|  | 1 - 505L     | Shantung                        | (1)  | 1 - S       | Cambodia                               |
| 1  | ---          | Supei                           | 1  | 1 - S       | French India                           |
| *  | *            | Locals:                         | (12)   | 10 - S      | Indochina                              |
| 1  | ---          | Foochow                         |  | 1 - LM14    | Cambodia (Scott #182 - 192)            |
|  | ---          | Formosa                         | 1  | ---         | Rouad Ile                              |
| 1  | ---          | China - Peoples' Republic       | *  | *           | Portuguese Asia:                       |
| 657  | 484 - 2049   | Japan                           | 1  | ---         | Portuguese India                       |
| 13   | 4 - 505L     | Ofc. in China                   | 1  | 1 - S       | Timor                                  |
| 1  | 1 - S        | Kiauchau                        | <b>AUSTRALIA + BRITISH OCEANIA (PACIFIC)</b> |             |  |
| 2  | 2 - S        | Lebanon                         | (1285)                                       | 566 - LM14  | Australia                              |
| 1  | 1 - S        | Manchukuo                       |  | 9 - LM14    | Antarctic Terr.                        |
| 9  | 7 - 505L     | Pakistan                        | 165  | 110 - 505L  | New South Wales                        |
| 4  | 2 - S        | Palestine                       | 76   | 37 - LM14   | Queensland                             |
| 2  | 2 - S        | Persia (Iran)                   | 35   | 31 - S      | South Australia                        |
|  | 1 - LM14     | Teheran Regional (Scott #446-7) | 18   | 10 - S      | Tasmania                               |
|  | ---          | Philippine Is. (1946+)          | 1520   | 666 - LM14  | Victoria                               |
| 3  | 2 - S        | Spanish (to 1898)               | 21   | 15 - S      | Western Australia                      |
| 9  | 10 - 1336    | United States (1899-1946)       | 1  | 1 - LM14    | Fiji                                   |
| 1  | 2 - 1336     | Shanghai                        | 39   | 37 - S      | New Zealand                            |
| 8  | 8 - S        | Siam                            | *  | *           | Malay Peninsula (Scott Cat. Arrang.):  |
| *  | *            | British Asia:                   | 9  | 9 - S       | Malaya (Fed. Malay States) (1900-1934) |
|  | 1 - LM 2539  | Bangkok                         | 1  | 3 - S       | Federation of Malaya                   |
| 8  | 7 - S        | Burma                           |  | ---         | Johore                                 |
| 85   | 84 - LM145   | Ceylon                          |  | ---         | Kedah                                  |
| 2  | 5 - LM145    | Sri Lanka                       | 1  | 1 - S       | Kelantan                               |
| 78   | 62 - LM 2539 | Hong Kong                       |  | 1 - LM 2539 | Malacca                                |

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| AUSTRALIA + BRITISH OCEANIA (PACIFIC) (Cont.)    |              |  | EUROPE (Cont.) |              |  |
| *  | *            | Malay Peninsula (Cont.)<br>(Scott Cat. Arrang.): | 1              | 1 - S        | Faroe Iss.   |
|  | ---          | Negri Sembilan                                   | 11             | 9 - S        | Finland  |
|  | ---          | Pahang   | 4              | 4 - S        | Fiume  |
| 3  | 3 - S        | Penang   | 2860           | 2602 - 2157  | France   |
| 2  | 2 - LM14     | Pulau Pinang (1971)                              |                | 80 - 2157    | AMG  |
| 4  | 4 - LM 2539  | Perak  | *              | *            | Germ. Occ.:  |
|  | ---          | Perlis   | 3              | 2 - S        | Alsace & Lorraine (1916)<br>(Western Command)              |
| 8  | 6 - S        | Selangor   | 11             | 5 - S        | Alsace (1940)  |
|  | ---          | Sungei Ujong                                     | 1              | 2 - 2157     | Lorraine (1940)  |
|  | ---          | Trengganu  | 11             | 8 - 2157     | Ofc. Alexandria  |
| 2  | 2 - S        | Malaysia   | 4              | 3 - S        | Ofc. China   |
| 3  | 4 - LM 2539  | Singapore  | 6              | 4 - 2157     | Canton   |
| 78   | 72 - 2157    | Straits Settlements                              | 3              | 3 - 2157     | Hoi Hao  |
| 3  | 1 - S        | BMA Occupation                                   | 4              | 4 - 2157     | Kwangchowan  |
| EUROPE   |              |  | 4              | 4 - 2157     | Mongtseu   |
| 2  | ---          | Albania  | 3              | 3 - 2157     | Pakhoi   |
| (1)  | ---          | Andorra  | 4              | 4 - 2157     | Tchongking   |
| 2563   | 1830 - 2157  | Austria  | 4              | 4 - 2157     | Yunnan Fou   |
|  | 2 - S        | AMG  | 1              | ---          | Ofc. Crete   |
|  | 2 - S        | Italian Occ. - General Issues                    | 16             | 13 - 2157    | Ofc. Levant  |
|  | 2 - 2549     | Italian Occ. - Trieste                           | 6              | 2 - S        | Ofc. Port Said   |
|  | 1 - 2549     | Italian Occ. - Trentino                          | (1)            | 1 - LM145    | Ofc. Vathay  |
| (9)  | 1 - S        | Ofc. in Crete                                    | 1              | ---          | Local: Chausey   |
| 23   | 19 - S       | Ofc. in Levant                                   | 13626          | 9740 - 1336  | Germany  |
| 507  | 468 - 505L   | Bavaria  |                | 10 - 1336    | AMG  |
| 34   | ---          | "Det. Reich"(Outside Bavaria)                    | 1              | 1 - 505L     | Allenstein   |
| 1472   | 1167 - 2157  | Belgium  |                | 3 - LM14     | Baden State Railway  |
| 111  | 78 - 2157    | Germ. Occ.                                       | *              | *            | Belgian Occ.:  |
| 84   | 76 - LM 2539 | Bohemia & Moravia                                | 1              | 1 - S        | Eupen  |
| 28   | 20 - 505L    | Bosnia & Herzegovina                             | (1)            | 1 - LM145    | Malmedy  |
| 15   | 12 - 2157    | Bulgaria   | *              | *            | French Occ.  |
| 4  | 3 - LM145    | Crete  | (10)           | 5 - 2157     | General: "Zone Francais"                                   |
| 1  | 2 - S        | Croatia (1941)                                   | 4              | 3 - 1336     | Baden  |
| 1050   | 527 - 2157   | Czechoslovakia                                   | 2              | 2 - 1336     | Rhine Palatinate   |
| 23   | 21 - S       | Danzig   | 1              | 1 - S        | Saar (1947)  |
| 1056   | 838 - 1336   | Denmark  | (4)            | 3 - S        | Wurttemberg (1947)   |
|  | 1 - S        | Locals: Copenhagen                               | 8              | 4 - S        | Ofc. China   |
|  | 12 - LM14    | Danish State Railway                             | 16             | 9 - S        | Ofc. Levant  |
|  | 1 - LM14     | Hilleroed Frederikswaerk<br>Hundsted Railway     | 1              | 1 - S        | Ofc. Morocco   |
|  | 1 - LM14     | Gribskov Railway                                 |                | 6 - S        | Berlin - Allied Occ.<br>(Scott # 9N's)                     |
|  | 1 - LM14     | Lyngby-Naerum Railway                            |                | ---          | Berlin - Russian Occ.<br>(Scott # 11N's)                   |
| 5  | 3 - LM 2539  | Eastern Silesia                                  |                | 18 - LM 2539 | Joint Occupation Brit., U.S.,<br>Soviet (Scott #530 - 585) |



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| Catal. Count          | Your Count      | Country or Unit                                  | Catal. Count          | Your Count   | Country or Unit                          |
|-----------------------|-----------------|--|-----------------------|--------------|--|
| <b>EUROPE (Cont.)</b> |                 |  | <b>EUROPE (Cont.)</b> |              |  |
| *                     | *               | <b>French Occ. (Cont.)</b>                       | *                     | *            | <b>Independent:</b>                      |
|                       | 27 - 1336       | US/Brit. Zone (1948-49)<br>(Scott # 585A-664)    |                       | 1 - S        | Guernsey                                 |
|                       | 7 - 1336        | Russian Occupation<br>(Scott #10N1 - 47)         |                       | 2 - S        | Jersey                                   |
|                       | 35 - 505L       | Federal Rep. (1949+)<br>(Scott # 665 and beyond) |                       | 1 - S        | Germ. Occ.                               |
| *                     | *               | <b>Locals:</b>                                   | 11                    | 9 - 505L     | Ofc. China                               |
| (1)                   | ---             | Saxony   | 5                     | 6 - 1336     | Ofc. Levant                              |
| (1)                   | 3 - 1336        | East Saxony                                      | *                     | *            | <b>Ofc. Morocco:</b>                     |
| (1)                   | 1 - S           | West Saxony                                      | 1                     | 2 - LM145    | British currency                         |
| (1)                   | 3 - 1336        | Thuringen  | 4                     | 4 - 2157     | French currency                          |
| *                     | *               | <b>Local Stadtposts:</b>                         | 2                     | 3 - S        | Spanish currency                         |
| 27                    | 7 - LM14        | Berlin   | 1                     | 2 - 2157     | Tangier overprint                        |
| 1                     | ---             | Braunschweig                                     | 5                     | 1 - LM14     | Midland Railway                          |
| 3                     | 1 - S           | Breslau  | 33                    | 11 - 2157    | Greece                                   |
| 1                     | ---             | Bromberg   | 1                     | 1 - S        | Thrace                                   |
| 3                     | 2 - S           | Dresden  |                       | 1 - 1336     | Greek Occ. Turkey (Scott<br>#N109 - 148) |
| 3                     | 1 - S           | Frankfurt  | (916)                 | 600 - 505L   | Hungary                                  |
| 1                     | ---             | Gera   |                       | 2 - S        | Romanian Occ.<br>(Transylvania)          |
| 2                     | 1 - LM 2539     | Halle  | 165                   | 139 - 505L   | Ireland                                  |
| 2                     | 1 - S           | Hamburg  | 805                   | 617 - 1336   | Italy                                    |
| 2                     | 2 - LM 2539     | Hannover   | 1                     | 11 - LM 2539 | AMG                                      |
|                       | 2 - 1336        | Kassel   |                       | 3 - 1336     | Venezia Giulia                           |
| 4                     | 2 - 1336        | Koln   | 9                     | 10 - S       | Trieste AMG                              |
| 11                    | 3 - 1336        | Leipzig  | 4                     | 4 - 1336     | Ofc. Constantinople                      |
| 1                     | ---             | Magdeburg  | 4                     | 4 - 2157     | Ofc. Levant                              |
| 2                     | 1 - LM14        | Mainz  | 2                     | 2 - S        | Eritrea                                  |
| 1                     | ---             | Mannheim   |                       | 1 - 2549     | Italian Somaliland                       |
| 3                     | 1 - LM 2539     | Munich   | *                     | *            | <b>Locals:</b>                           |
| 1                     | ---             | Mulhausen  | (1)                   | 1 - 2549     | La Canea                                 |
| 1                     | 1 - S           | Nurnberg   |                       | ---          | Rhodes                                   |
| 1                     | ---             | Stettin  | 5                     | 4 - 2157     | Latvia                                   |
| 2                     | 2 - 2157        | Strassburg                                       | 1                     | ---          | Liechtenstein                            |
| 3                     | ---             | Stuttgart  |                       | 1 - S        | Lithuania                                |
| 4                     | 1 - 744         | Wuppertal  | 24                    | 23 - 2157    | Luxembourg                               |
|                       | 3 - 1336        | German Democratic Republic                       | 1                     | 2 - 2157     | German Occ.                              |
| 1                     | 1 - S           | Gibraltar  | 6                     | 5 - S        | Malta                                    |
| 19665                 | 17536 - LM 2539 | Great Britain                                    | 2                     | 1 - S        | Memel                                    |
| *                     | *               | <b>Regionals:</b>                                | 1                     | 1 - S        | Lithuania Occ.                           |
| 1                     | 1 - S           | Guernsey   | (15)                  | 14 - S       | Monaco                                   |
| 1                     | 1 - S           | Isle of Man                                      | (1)                   | 1 - LM 2539  | Montenegro                               |
| 2                     | 2 - S           | Jersey   |                       | 1 - LM145    | Italian Occupation                       |
| 14                    | 9 - 2157        | North Ireland                                    | (854)                 | 633 - 2157   | Netherlands                              |
| 42                    | 36 - LM 2539    | Scotland   | 81                    | 64 - 2157    | Norway                                   |
| 30                    | 20 - 505L       | Wales & Monmouth                                 |                       |              |  |

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| 76                    | 45 - S      | Poland          | *                     | *            | Spain Locals: (Cont.)     |
| 4                     | 5 - LM 2539 | North           |                       | 1 - LM14     | Coruna                    |
| 6                     | 6 - LM 2539 | South           |                       | 1 - LM 2539  | Malaga                    |
| 1                     | 1 - S       | Port Gdansk     |                       | 1 - LM14     | Orense                    |
| 1                     | 1 - S       | Locals: Cracow  |                       | 1 - 1336     | Seville                   |
| 196                   | 161 - 505L  | Portugal        |                       | 2 - LM 2539  | Valencia                  |
| 764                   | 555 - 2157  | Romania         |                       | 1 - LM 2539  | Zaragoza                  |
| 10                    | 4 - S       | Germ. Occ.      | 163                   | 156 - 505L   | Sweden                    |
| 15                    | 12 - 2157   | Russia          | *                     | *            | Locals:                   |
| 3                     | 1 - S       | Ofc. in China   |                       | 1 - 505L     | Uppsala                   |
| 4                     | 3 - S       | Ofc. Levant     | 816                   | 603 - 2157   | Switzerland               |
| 14                    | 14 - 2157   | Saar (to 1934)  | 22                    | 20 - 2157    | Turkey                    |
|                       | 1 - 1336    | North Schleswig | 2                     | 2 - 505L     | Turkey in Asia            |
| 7                     | 2 - 1336    | South Schleswig | 17                    | 12 - 2157    | Upper Silesia             |
| 17                    | 10 - S      | Slovakia        | 52                    | 45 - LM 2539 | Wurttemberg (to 1900)     |
| 411                   | 328 - 2157  | Spain           |                       | 2 - LM14     | Wurttemberg State Railway |
| 1                     | ---         | Canary Is.      | 84                    | 65 - 2157    | Yugoslavia                |
| 2                     | 7 - LM 2539 | Ofc. Morocco    | *                     | *            | Forerunners:              |
| 1                     | 1 - S       | Ofc. Tangier    | 2                     | 2 - 1336     | Bosnia & Herzegovina      |
| *                     | *           | Locals:         | 3                     | 3 - LM145    | Croatia & Slavonia        |
|                       | 32 - 2157   | Barcelona       | 21                    | 24 - 505L    | Slovenia                  |
|                       | 1 - S       | Bilbao          | *                     | *            | Locals:                   |
|                       | 2 - LM 2539 | Cadiz           | 1                     | 1 - 1336     | Istria                    |
|                       | 1 - LM 2539 | Cordoba         |                       | ---          | Rejeka (Revenue Only)     |

**Number of Times Perfin Club Member had Highest Country Tally**

| Member's Number | Member's Name | Number of Times with Highest Count | Member's Number | Member's Name | Number of Times with Highest Count |
|-----------------|---------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|------------------------------------|
| LM14            | J. Brandt     | 26                                 | 2049            | E. Alpern     | 1                                  |
| LM145           | R. Szymanski  | 15                                 | 2157            | R. Dedecker   | 55                                 |
| 505-L           | R. Schwerdt   | 25                                 | 2284            | S. Endicott   | 1                                  |
| 744             | P. Gault      | 1                                  | LM 2539         | A. Sandy      | 37                                 |
| 1336            | J. Randall    | 31                                 | 2549            | D. Turner     | 5                                  |

**Geographic Distribution of Members' Tallies**

| Area              | Countries | One perfin type reported per country | Equal counts per country by members | No commercial perfins reported | Member tallies equal or exceed catalog count |
|-------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| Africa            | 54        | 13                                   | 19                                  | 5                              | 28   |
| Americas          | 33        | 10                                   | 10                                  | 4                              | 16   |
| Asia              | 50        | 16                                   | 17                                  | 11                             | 16   |
| Australia/Oceania | 29        | 4                                    | 11                                  | 7                              | 9  |
| Europe            | 187       | 51                                   | 53                                  | 19                             | 52   |

Note: "Country" is generic term for each census entry.

## U.S. Pattern P110.6 - New Postmark

Dan Baugher (#3825)

As a beginner perfin collector on a budget, I am always looking in the dealers' cover boxes for a deal. As most of you already know, most dealers only have a few perfin covers and they are usually hidden, way in the back of the box.

I found the cover below at one of the bigger stamp shows in the St. Louis area in St. Charles (a suburb of St. Louis). It is a pre-printed cover that was air mailed from the Phoenix Insurance Company of Hartford, CT to the Commerce Trust Company of Kansas City, Missouri. Both the 2-cent (SC #707) and 50-cent (SC #570) stamps are perforated with pattern P110.6.

The Phoenix Insurance Company has 2 patterns, one is P110.5 from Hartford CT that was used from 1902 to 1914. The second is P110.6 from Cincinnati OH that was used from 1908 to 1938. The cover that I found is from Hartford, CT, but it is clearly a P110.6 because it has the "I" dotted, where P110.5 does not. The cover was cancelled at Hartford, CT and the corner of the cover is from Hartford, CT. The postmark is February 19, 1934 which fits the P110.6 usage. Unfortunately, the cover is without the back sheet, so I cannot confirm the Kansas City receipt.

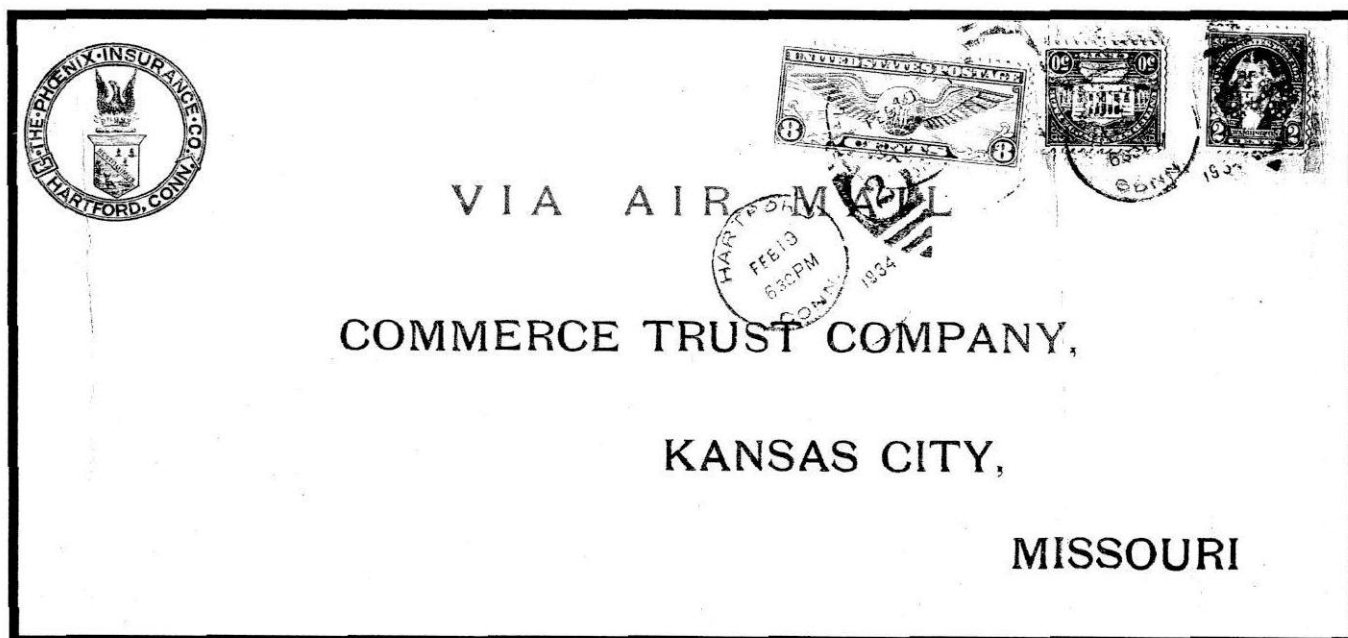
Since the corner card does not match the primary user for P110.6, I sent a scan of my find to Brad

Baker (LM#3766), the U.S. Catalog Chairman. Brad confirmed that this is a new, previously unreported secondary postmark for pattern P110.6. It will be listed as such in the next issue of the Corrections and Additions to the *Catalog of United States Perfins*.

I looked on the internet for the Phoenix Insurance Company and found that it's corporate headquarters have been in Hartford CT since 1851. It had branch offices throughout the country and there was a branch office in Cincinnati. The Commerce Trust Company was a major bank in Kansas City at the time and it still exists today.

A few questions from this novice are: why would an insurance company in Hartford, CT have a pre-printed air mail cover to a bank in Kansas City? I don't think it would be cash, but I guess it could be checks for premiums. Aren't their banks in Hartford that they could use? Also, why would a company perforate stamps in one location and send them to the another location? Could the current catalog location of Cincinnati be the unique one, and Hartford be the primary location for this pattern?

Either way, this collector's day was made by adding a listing in the Supplemental Pages to the catalog of the most interesting way to collect stamps (perfins)!!





# The Perfins of Uruguay

Bruce Brunell (#2831)

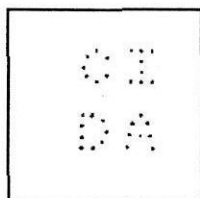
In the January/February 2009 issue of *The Perfin Bulletin* (63:5-6), I briefly discussed my work in updating the America's portion of the *World Perfin Catalog* and presented the results of my research on the perfins of Venezuela.

This time I touch upon the perfins of Uruguay. This is another area where the lines get very fuzzy as to what to call the various perfins. The "A" prefix's are for perfins which were used on regular postage

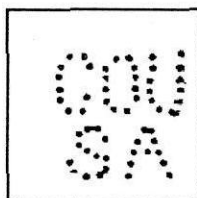
stamps. The "B"s are for perfins which have been punched through both the stamps and the paper to which they are affixed. "P"s are true punches that were used on Uruguay official stamps before they were affixed to mail.

We know the users of four of the "A" perfins along with the approximate dates of usage of all of the "A"s as shown in the following table.

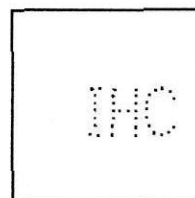
| <u>Perfin</u> | <u>Pattern</u> | <u>Company</u>                               | <u>Date(s) of Usage</u> |
|---------------|----------------|--|-------------------------|
| A1            | CI/DA          | Comapnia Internacional de Avisos             | 1932 - 1934             |
| A2            | COU/SA         | Compania Oleaginosa Uruguayo Sociedad Anomia | 1939 - 1953             |
| A3            | IHC            | International Harvester Company              | 1928 - 1961             |
| A4            | St & Co.       | Staudt & Cia                                 | 1895 - 1899             |
| A4.5          | V&C            |  | 1885                    |
| A5            | Star           |  | 1915                    |
| A6            | Sun            |  | 1924                    |



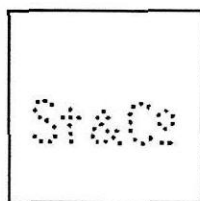
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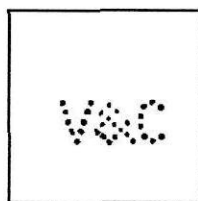
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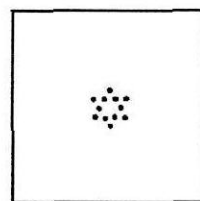
A3 - IHC



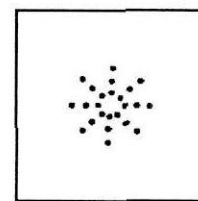
A4 - St & Co.



A4.5 - V&C



A5 - star



A6 - sun

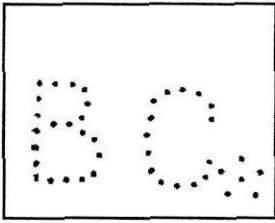
Pattern A1 was used on advertising collars. The story goes that these were sold to customers for half of the face value of the stamp, so that the advertising could be seen by mail recipients. The collars have been seen with stamps of the 1932-33 issue as 1c, 3c, 7c, 15c, & 36c. The collars have six advertisers around the stamps, and come in a variety of combinations. They are difficult to find and quite colorful.

Most, if not all, of the "B" punches are revenues. They are probably banks, as the perfins are mostly found on cheques or bills of lading. The year ranges

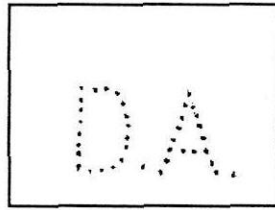
are from 1910 to 1960. There are a number of numeral punches and dated punches that also occur.

I have seen patterns B10 (B.T.U.) and B11 (CPL), but I do not have a copy for reference. Patterns B26 (INUTILIZADO with 7 mm tall letters and 5 pins) and B27 (ANULADO with 9 mm tall letters) are large multi-stamp cancelling punches that have been reported to me, but I have not seen them. Thus, no illustrations of these four punches are shown on the following pages.

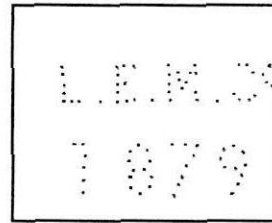
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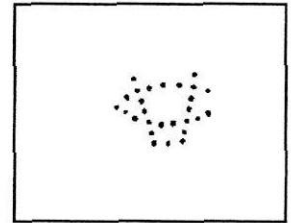
B1 - BCo



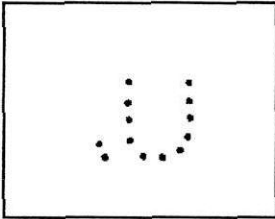
B2 - D.A.



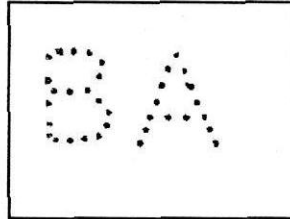
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(partial)



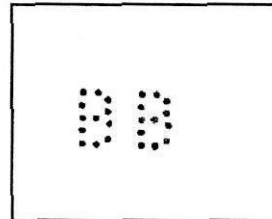
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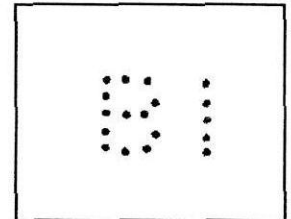
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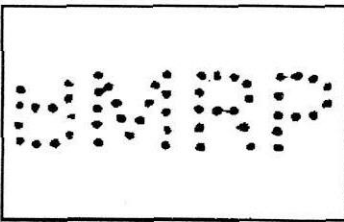
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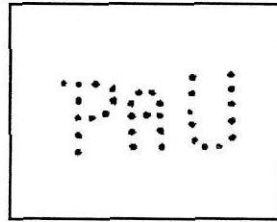
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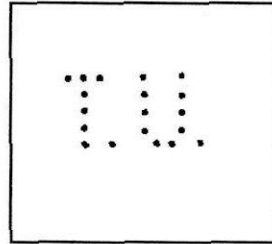
B8 - BI



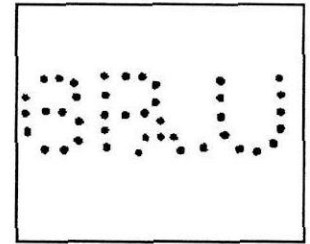
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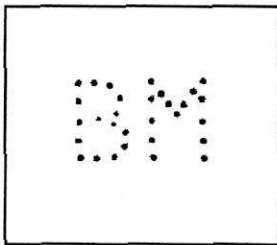
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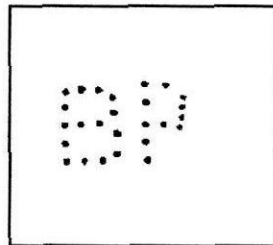
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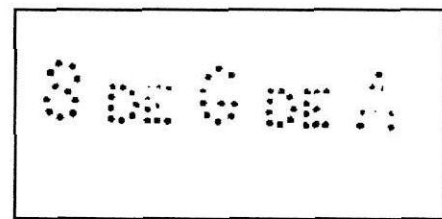
B14 - BPaU



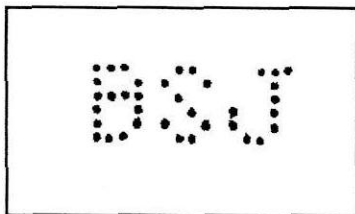
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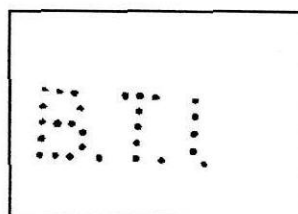
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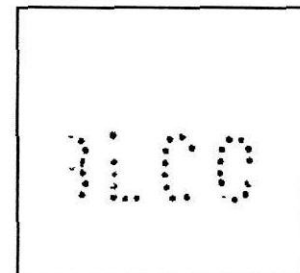
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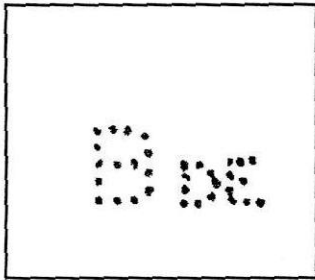


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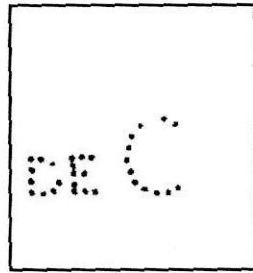


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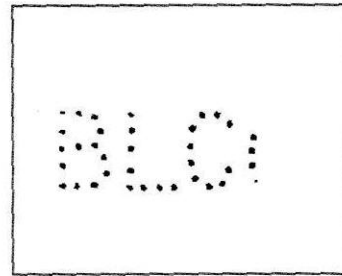
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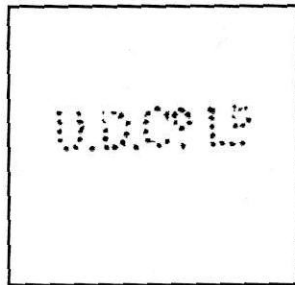
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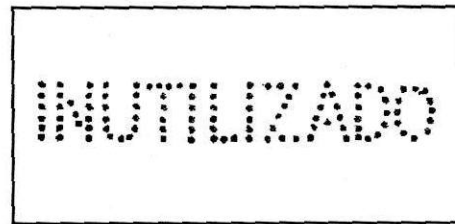
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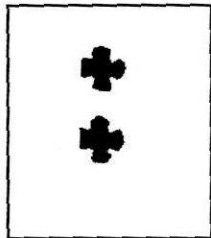
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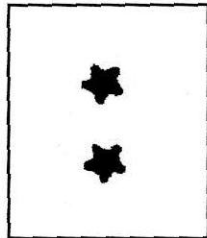
B24- U.D.Co.Ld



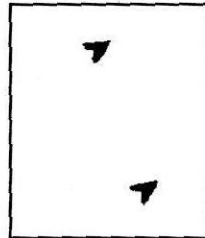
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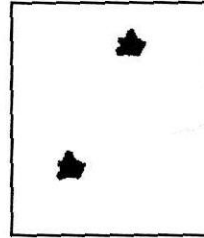
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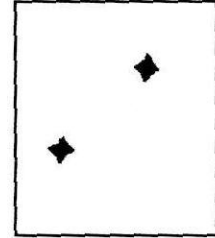
P4 - star



P5 - arrowhead



P6 - crown



P7 - diamond

As an added note, I have a photocopy of a Provincial Revenue from the Paysandu Province of Uruguay

with a large CDP (Concejo Departamental Paysandu) perfin. It measures about 10 x 16 mm.

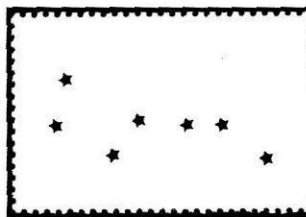
## Not a Perfin, but "Holey"

Dave Kent (#1901)

As New Issues editor for *Mekeel's & Stamps Magazine*, I get all sorts of stuff from foreign postal administrations. Pictured is a new stamp from Åland, a postally-independent island chain between Finland and Sweden, officially part of Finland. It is on this year's Europa theme, astronomy, and pictures the constellation *Ursa Major*, better known as the Big Dipper. According to the Åland post office, it is shown exactly as an observer on Åland would see it looking towards the south or



southwest at midnight between May 8 and 9. However, rather than print the stars of the constellation on the stamp, they punched them as seven star-shaped holes.



Obviously this is not a PERFIN as we usually understand it, a security device, but I thought it might interesting to our members. [Editor's Note: This new stamp has certainly on my want list of "unusual items".]



# Canada #249

## Questions and Answers (maybe)

John Munro-Cape (#3897)

A couple of months ago a question was asked in one of the stamp magazines about the hidden dates on early Canadian stamps. The correspondent wanted to know when these started and mentioned that he/she had identified one in the late 1950's. My first impression was that this was a trivial sort of question (even I can go back to 1942). However, I almost immediately realized that this was one of those instances where no question is stupid or trivial, except those questions which never get asked. If this statement is more or less accepted, then is it possible to accept its reverse – every question that has been posed deserves an answer. I have always thought that the magazines and other journals produced for philatelists should have large question and answer sections in them.

I started my philatelic activities collecting ship stamps, a nice safe broad topical pursuit! This soon became too big, so I chopped it down in size by going to only Canadian ships; “every ship in the Unitrade catalogue and a few extra for good measure” (sailors, lighthouses, wrecks, etc.). This project also started to become much too big, so I chopped some more and took it down to one stamp – Scott or Unitrade Canada #249, the one cent war issue; again anything and everything to do with #249. Since the Canadian postal rates increased just after the war stamps were issued, it is possible to

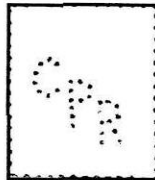
find blocks of 4 and plate blocks, both mint, used and on cover. There are two types of coils; three types of booklets, etc., etc. So there is a lot of material available. And of course there are PERFINs!

For the purposes of my project there are two types of perfins; first the official OHMS types, O8 and O9, and second all of the private perfins. It would be very difficult to proceed without a copy of Conrad Tremblay's (#1786) checklist<sup>1</sup>, which has given me all of the perfins that exist on Canada #249. (It would be very useful if this checklist was included as one of the appendices in the Johnson and Thomasson catalogue<sup>2</sup> when it is reprinted.)

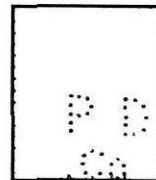
It appears that I'm searching for about 260 stamps of which I have nearly 200. There are also 6 perfinned precancels (or are they precancelled perfins?), an undetermined number of RPO's (Railway Post Office), and maybe some illegally used MPO's (Mobile Post Office) as well. The perfinned precancels are quite interesting because one of the firms involved purchased only precancelled stamps to perforate – there are no examples of plain perfinned stamps, only perfinned precancels. This is the J.B. Ford Sales Co. perfin on a Windsor Moon #4940 precancel.



Canadian Northern Railways  
on Toronto Precancel



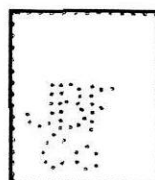
Canadian Pacific Railways  
on Winnepeg Precancel



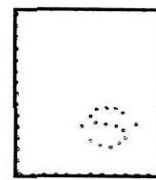
Parke, Davis & Co.  
on Windsor Precancel



Province of Saskatchewan  
on Regina Precancel



J.B. Ford Sales Co.  
on Windsor Precancel



Swift Canadian Co., Ltd.  
on Moose Jaw Precancel

This perfin was used only on  
precancelled stamps.

## Canada #249 (cont.)

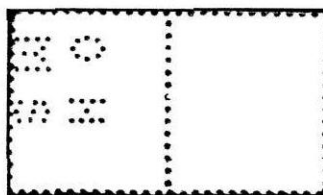
The official perfins exist with the earlier 5-holes in the "M" and "H" (O8) perforated insignia and the more recent 4-hole (O9) varieties. Two different plates produced the 4-hole perfins. Although the plates were meant to be identical there are differences which are fairly easily distinguished.

The Wrigley 10<sup>th</sup> edition<sup>3</sup> makes no mention of the O8 and O9 plates. He catalogues our positions 2 and 4 for ten cents apiece and then lists 4 other positions



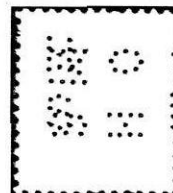
on #249 for prices up to \$40.00. The Tremblay checklist has positions 1, 3 and 7 listed. Does anybody have any of these varieties? I would appreciate a photocopy of them and/or the opportunity to purchase or trade. My contact information is at the end of this article.

The Wrigley Catalogue lists three examples of pairings of a #249 perfin and a blank – I have one of them as shown below.



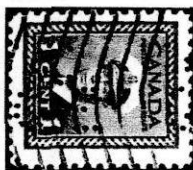
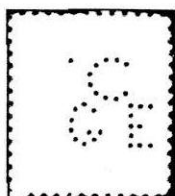
I also have one situation in which a perforated sheet went back through the perforator in a different

orientation and another similar perfin where the plate was misaligned with the stamps.



Government employees seemed to be relatively careful in the way in which they pushed stamps through the perforator. Possibly the use of a 10 position perforator plate simplified the feeding-in process and there are, as mentioned, very few positional varieties associated with O8 and O9. One of the interesting features of the private perfins is the fact that they exist with lots of different positions.

What was going on in the mind of the mailroom staff when they ended up producing all 8 positions, as happens in the case of the Canadian General Electric Company shown below? It certainly feels as if this was done on purpose! I only have one example of this in my #249 perfins, but according to the Tremblay checklist, 7 positions occur with 4 different perfins!



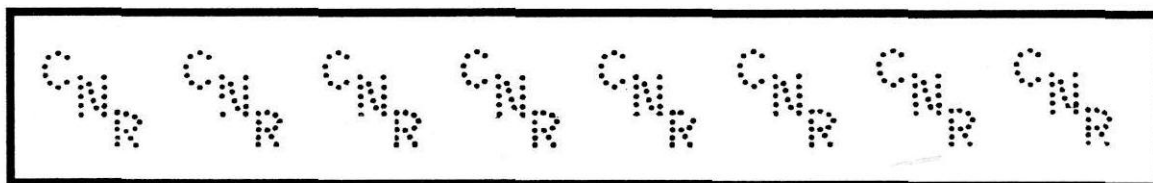
Canadian General Electric Company - Perfin in the eight positions

## Canada #249 (cont.)

O8 and O9 perfins were sold to the general public who were admonished not to use them instead of ordinary postage stamps. It is to be expected that mint or unused official perfins should be common and found in most collections, both as singles and as multiples. I have a block of 80 O8. However since the purpose of the private perforations was to prevent theft by mailroom employees and consequential use



or sale of the pilfered stamp(s), mint private perfins shouldn't occur in collections, but they do. There are thieves out there! A block of 12 of C43 turned up recently and is more interesting because the plate information is still part of the block. Since there are five impressions shown, was this C43 perfin plate less than a full strike of 10? The copy of the C43 plate proof (not from this block) that I have shows only 8 impressions.



The next page shows a neat piece that appeared recently. It is a full strip of ten of the O9 perforator. If anybody has ever thought of doing some plating, then this becomes invaluable.

I have posed several questions that may seem trivial, however they are asked because I don't know the answers!

I am always on the lookout for #249 material and have some material for trade as well as sale. One of

my less successful ventures was to pick up some early European perfins in the hope of being able to trade for #249. I still own a lot of unwanted European perfins! I do wish that somebody would take them off my hands. There are about seven hundred of them so I'll trade ten of mine for one of the #249's that I am missing. If you have duplicate Canada #249 perfins, please contact me. My address is: John Munro-Cape, R.R. 3, Picton, Ontario K0K 2T0, CANADA or email me at [twofournine@kos.net](mailto:twofournine@kos.net).

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3. Wrigley, Roy, *The catalogue and guidebook of Canadian official stamps*, 10<sup>th</sup> edition, circa 1980



## Canada #249 (cont.)

At right is the strip of 10 from the O9 perforator, reduced to 88% of the actual size to fit the page.

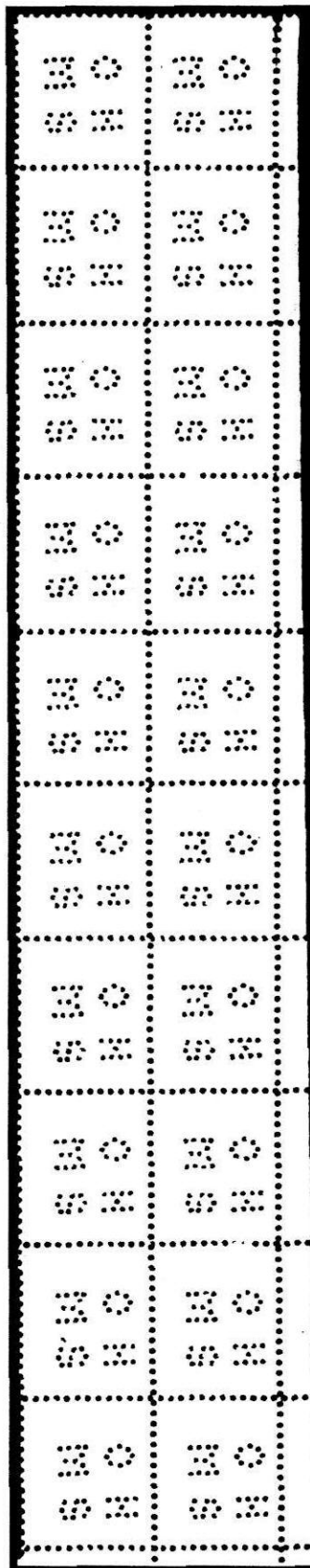
The sheet of stamps was fed through the perforator from the left hand side with the image upright.

This multiple, from the second perforator, shows clearly the symmetry of the "O" and the "S". However, there are minute variations in the positioning of the pins in the left hand vertical of the "M" which identifies the row occupied by a stamp in a sheet.

The strip shows that the selvedge was removed and the bottom looks like field stock. It also shows that as the sheet was fed into the perforator, the image came out in position 2 or 4.

An interesting side note is that the second perforator plate was also used to perforate all 14 different stamps in the wartime issue. The large size, high-value stamps of the issue each received 2 impressions from the perforator, nearly always in the correct configuration.

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# The Perfins Club Publications

David Lightle (#3480) – Publications Sales Manager

The following table is a current listing of the catalogs and other club publications available for purchase by both members and non-members. These are all very helpful in increasing your knowledge and enjoyment

of this great hobby. The member price includes U.S. postage. Please contact David Lightle at 10616 Cielo Vista Del Norte NW, Corrales, NM 87048 or [perfinpaul@msm.com](mailto:perfinpaul@msm.com) to purchase any of these.

| <u>Title and Description</u>  | <u>Member Price</u>   | <u>Non-Member Price<br/>(Plus Postage)</u>                            |
|---|---|---|
| <b>World Perfin Catalogue - America's</b><br>Schwerdt, Robert. 1992. <u>The World Perfins Catalog. American Section.</u><br>Poughkeepsie, NY: The Perfins Club. 91 p.   | OUT   | OUT   |
| <b>World Perfin Catalogue – Africa</b><br>Schwerdt, Robert. 1995. <u>The World Perfins Catalog. African Section.</u><br>Poughkeepsie, NY: The Perfins Club. 51 p.   | \$8.00  | \$9.20  |
| <b>World Perfin Catalogue – Asia</b><br>Schwerdt, Robert. 1996. <u>The World Perfins Catalog. Asian Section.</u><br>Poughkeepsie, NY: The Perfins Club. 59 p.   | \$8.00  | \$9.20  |
| <b>World Perfin Catalogue – Europe</b><br>Schwerdt, Robert. 1994. <u>The World Perfins Catalog. European Section.</u><br>Poughkeepsie, NY: The Perfins Club. 70 p.  | \$8.00  | \$9.20  |
| <b>Australia</b><br>Mathews, John. ; Grant, J. 1992. In English. The Perfins Club of New Zealand and Australia. 372 p.  | \$66.00   | \$76.00   |
| <b>Bavaria</b><br>Needham, John. 1990. <u>Catalog of Bavarian Perfins.</u> USA: The Perfins Club. 67p.<br>Bavaria -Supplement 1   | \$8.50<br>\$2.00  | \$9.78<br>\$2.30  |
| <b>Belgium</b><br>Hammink, Ruud J.; van der Hoorn, Jac M. 1997. <u>Perfins van Belgie: Timbres Perfores de Belgique: The Perfins of Belgium.</u> [in Dutch with English introduction] Tilburg, Netherlands: Perfins Club Nederland. 145 p.  | \$22.00   | \$25.50   |
| <b>British Malaya</b><br>Giffen, P. 1989. <u>Perfins of British Malaya.</u> Nelson, NZ: MacKenzie Print. 66p.   | \$2.50  | \$2.88  |
| <b>Denmark</b><br>Køster-Kofoed, Ove; Hansen, Ole; Mathiesen, Kaj. 2001. <u>Katalog over danske firmaperforeinger.</u> [in Danish with English instruction for use] Odense, Denmark: A/S Handelstrykkeriet. 109 p.  | \$60.00   | \$69.00   |
| <b>France</b><br>Dedecker, R.D.; Herbert, M.; Janot, R. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Edition. 200? <u>ANCOPER: Timbres Perfores France et Colonies.</u> [in French] Aniche, France: ILP. 364 p.<br>France - Supplement 1 For Old French Catalog.   | \$55.00<br>\$8.00   | \$63.25<br>\$9.20   |
| <b>France- Colonies</b><br>Dedecker, R.D.; Herbert, M.; Janot,; Tschaen, E.; Leger, G. [in French] 2008 106p.   | \$30.00   | \$34.50   |
| <b>Germany</b><br>ArGE Lochungen. 1985-1995. <u>Katalog der deutschen Firmenlochungen.</u> [in German] West Germany: ArGE. [1327 p]<br>Germany per Letter<br>Germany - Supplement 1<br>Germany - Supplement 2<br>Germany - Supplement 3<br>Germany - Supplement 4<br>Germany - Supplement 5 | \$273.00<br>\$13.00<br>\$6.00<br>\$5.00<br>\$5.00<br>\$6.00<br>\$6.00 | \$313.95<br>\$14.95<br>\$6.90<br>\$5.75<br>\$5.75<br>\$6.90<br>\$6.90 |

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| <b>India</b><br>Werner, Magnus. 1990. <u>The Perfins of India and Indian States</u> . USA: The Perfins Club. 116 p.   | \$10.00             | \$11.50                                    |
| India - Supplement 1  | \$3.00              | \$3.45                                     |
| India - Supplement 2  | \$3.00              | \$3.45                                     |
| <b>Ireland</b><br>Mewhinney, Richard L. 1994. <u>Ireland: Catalog of Perfins</u> . USA: The Perfins Club. 34 p.   | \$7.00              | \$8.05                                     |
| <b>Italy</b><br>Hamminck, Ruud J.; van der Hoorn, Jac M. 1995. <u>Perfins of Italy</u> . [in Dutch with English introduction] Tilburg, Netherlands: Perfins Club Nederland. 67 p  | \$15.00             | \$17.25                                    |
| <b>Italy</b><br>Bertazzoli, Enrico; Ermentini, Beppe. 2000. <u>Catalogo dei Perfin Italiani: Italian Perfins Catalogue</u> . [in Italian with English preface] Vignola, Italy: Vaccari. 253 p.  | \$35.00             | \$40.25                                    |
| <b>Italy</b><br>Bertazzoli, Enrico; Ermentini, Beppe. 2005 Update. 94p. with 30 Transparent Plates.   | \$38.00             | \$41.80                                    |
| <b>Ottoman Empire, Turkey, Crete</b> <b>**New**</b><br>Scheper, Dick. 2009. 69p. English  | \$37.00             | \$40.75                                    |
| <b>Netherlands</b><br>Verhoeven, Jan L. <u>Perfins Club Nederland</u> . 2007. 320p.   | \$50.00             | \$57.50                                    |
| <b>Romania</b><br>Eros, Laszlo. 1989. <u>Catalog of Romanian Perfins</u> . USA: The Perfins Club. 39 p.   | \$5.50              | \$6.33                                     |
| Romania - Supplement 1  | \$1.25              | \$1.45                                     |
| Romania - Supplement 2  | \$3.00              | \$3.45                                     |
| Romania - Supplement 3  | \$3.00              | \$3.45                                     |
| <b>Switzerland</b><br>Baer, Martin. 1998. <u>CH Perfins: die privat gelochten marken der Schweiz; les timbres perfores privees de Suisse; the private perfins of Switzerland</u> . [in German with French & English introductions] Zurich, Switzerland: 240p. | OUT                 | OUT  |
| <b>United States</b><br>Randall, John M. ed. 1998. <u>Catalog of United States Perfins</u> . Long Beach, NY: The Perfins Club. 812 p.   | \$60.00             | \$70.00                                    |
| U.S. - Supplement 1   | \$5.00              | \$5.50                                     |
| U.S. - Supplement 2   | \$6.50              | \$7.50                                     |
| U.S. Blank Pages - each   | \$0.10              | \$0.12                                     |
| <b>U.S. by Location</b><br>Ottenheimer, Adele. 1999. <u>Catalog of United States Perfins by Location</u> . Long Beach, NY: The Perfins Club. 123 p  | \$12.00             | \$13.80                                    |
| <b>U.S. Check List</b><br>Mistretta, Paul A. 1999. <u>Checklist of United States Perfins</u> . USA: The Perfins Club. 21 p.   | \$ 3.00             | \$ 3.45                                    |

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| <b>U.S. Perfined Precancels</b><br>Randall, John M.; Cummings, William. 1991. <u>Catalog of Perfined Precancels of the United States</u> . El Cerrito, CA: The Perfins Club. 231p.                  | \$20.00             | \$23.00                                    |
| <b>U.S Rev-Perfins Volume 1</b><br>Mongan, Arthur J.; 2007 Catalog of Revenue Perfins. 288p.  | \$28.00             | \$33.00                                    |
| <b>U.S Rev-Perfins Volume 2</b><br>Mongan, Arthur J.; 2007 Catalog of Revenues - Beer, Wine, Tobacco, Oleomargin, etc. 420p.  | \$37.00             | \$43.00                                    |
| <b>U.S Rev-Perfins Volume 3</b><br>Mongan, Arthur J.; 2007 Catalog of Perfins in Checks, Fiscal Paper, Misc. 140p.  | \$20.00             | \$23.00                                    |
| <b>U.S Rev-Perfins – All Three Volumes</b>  | \$70.00             | \$80.00                                    |
| <b>U.S. Railroad</b><br>Gray, Robert. 1987. <u>Railroad Perfins of the United States and Canada</u> . USA: The Perfins Club. 52 p.  | \$6.50              | \$7.15                                     |
| <b>Exhibit Guide</b><br>Gersch, Sylvia; Schwerdt, Robert. 1995. <u>Guide to Perfin Exhibiting</u> . USA: The Perfins Club.  | \$2.00              | \$2.30                                     |
| <b>Perfin Bulletin Cumulative Index - (Back in Stock)</b><br>Roy, Rudy. 1993. <u>Cumulative Index to Perfins and the Perfins Bulletin: Issues 1-453 (1945-1992)</u> . USA: The Perfins Club. 125 p. | \$12.00             | \$13.80                                    |
| <b>New Member Handbook</b>  | \$2.00              | \$2.30                                     |
| <b>How to Speak Perfins</b>   | \$1.00              | \$1.15                                     |
| <b>U.S. Member List</b>   | \$3.00              | \$3.45                                     |

### My Favorite Perfins – Part IV

Steve Endicott (#2284)

I began a discussion of favorite and most unusual U.S. perfins in the September/October 2008 *Bulletin*, (62:158-160) with a promise of more to come. In this issue, I present the part of the display presented at the St. Louis convention related to Scott #505, the five-cent error issue.

The Scott #505 five-cent error was produced when a five-cent design stamp was mistakenly included in the middle of a two-cent stamp design plate. Due to their visual similarity and the large number of two-cent stamps with perfins, there may be more of these five-cent error stamps with perfins in existence. Check your collections!

Shown here are two examples of perfins on the five-cent error stamp. The first is a used single, the second is an error pair in a mint block of 12.

I would enjoy hearing from anyone regarding perfins that they own on these five-cent error stamps. All comments are most welcome. My contact information is on page 46 of this *Bulletin*.

[Editor's Note: A mint block of 12 of the five-cent error was recently sold in the Matthew Bennet International Auction #330 as reported in the January/February 2009 *Bulletin* (63:20).]

As promised in the March/April 2009 *Bulletin* (63:25), go to: <http://www.perfins.org/Exhibit/Exhibit.htm> to view Vladimir Munzberger's (#3490) "Perfins of Austrian Levant" entire exhibit in full color. There is also a link to this exhibit from the "Perfins Info" page on the Club's website.

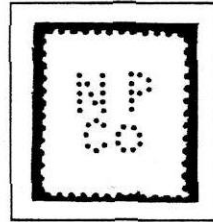
## Fascinating and Unusual United States Perfins

### Five Cent Error Issues

There are many varieties of the early 1900 Washington-Franklin head issues, but perhaps none more intriguing than the 5 cent errors. Both errors occurred when the 5 cent stamp was mistakenly included within the pane of the 2 cent issue. No perfins are known to exist on the first error, Scott 467. Below is one of two known perfins on the 5 cent carmine error on Scott 505.

Perfin N135 – C rate -- Nuckolis Packing Company, Pueblo CO

Documented  
use of this  
perfin from  
1926 to 1923



An example of  
this perfin  
pattern

5 cent error – Scott 505

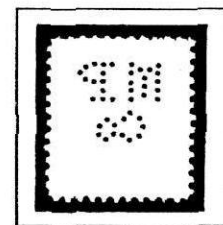
And here is a remarkable block of 12 with two middle error stamps and perfins throughout.

Perfin M205 – D+ rate -- Moline Plow Company, Moline Illinois

Two 5 cent  
errors within a  
block of 12 in  
Scott 505



An example of  
this perfin  
pattern



Are there other perfin patterns on these error stamps? You better start looking closer at your 2 cent red Washington head stamps!



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## Times Have Changed – But Not That Much

John Lyding (LM#116)

Recently, I was wandering about the internet using my search engine when I suddenly noted the name “Misegades” among the secondary hits. Recognizing that Keith Misegades was one of the earliest editors of *The Perfins Bulletin* as well as one of our first Presidents, I clicked on that response. Well, this “Misegades” turned out to be the author of an article entitled, *Today, Sub-Primes, Tomorrow College Loans*.

However, that result got me to try searching for “Keith Misegades”. This provided several interesting results, including a link to the Club’s website ([www.perfins.org](http://www.perfins.org)) to full copies of *The Perfins Bulletin* for March 21, 1952 through December 1953.

I found the following quote from the August 21, 1952 *Perfins Bulletin* particularly interesting:

“How much are perfins worth? Common U.S. and foreign perfins are not worth more than 5 cents to 10 cents per hundred. Perfins on rarer stamps should bring less than one quarter catalog. On paper mixtures may be purchased from between \$1.00 and \$2.00 per pound. Perfin covers are worth perhaps 5 cents to 10 cents apiece. And, of course everything really depends on the stamps concerned and how much each party is willing to give.”

Since I have recently been involved in some eBay selling, I tried to reconcile some of the changes between the early 50’s and today. A sample of a few recent eBay auctions are:

- \$1.99 for a “perfin pair”;
- \$9.99 for a lot of 670 U.S. perfins;
- \$5.00 for a perfin on a C1;
- 49 cents for 7 different perfins;
- 99 cents for a “page of many unchecked U.S. perfins” (about 60 stamps);

- \$3.75 for a perfin on a \$5.00 *Scott Catalog* #524;
- two separate lots of 500 perfins starting at 99 cents each.

Now, I understand that some of these lots, especially the ones with a 49 cent or 99 cent starting bid, will go higher; some of the asking prices are based on the catalog value of the stamp; some of the lots will go unsold; and that there are shipping charges. However, don’t forget, these are selling prices that someone is willing to accept.

If we total the starting bid and the numbers of stamps and then divide the total of starting bids by the number of stamps, we arrive at the average perfin price. To be more reasonable, let’s ignore those eBay lots where the minimum bid has apparently been dictated by the stamp’s catalog value. And to be even more reasonable, let’s add the shipping cost. The result is 1.90017 cents or more conveniently 2 cents per perfin.

How does this compare to 1952? Based on U.S. Department of Labor Consumer Price Index statistics, 10 cents per hundred in 1952 equals 82 cents per hundred or about 1 cent each in 2008 dollars. So, in essence, we might say that in 57 years the selling price of common perfins has essentially doubled.

Remember that lot of 670 with a starting bid of \$9.99? It had nine bids to \$34.33 with \$2.58 shipping for a total of \$36.91 or about 5 cents a perfin.

So can we say that common perfins are worth 2-5 cents each today? A real analysis would require a much larger sample size and a lot less conjecture. But the answer is: Probably so.

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## Auction Watch

Some of the perfin lots that Lee Bastien (#3165) spotted in **Beck Stamp Auction #291** are:

Lot 441 - 200 U.S. Washington/Franklin - Start \$25-30.  
Lot 442 - 725 U.S. 1922-28 Issues - Start \$45-50.  
Lot 445 - 97 U.S. War & Defense Issues - Start \$12-15.  
Lot 447 - 125 U.S. Commemoratives - Start \$15-20  
Lot 449 - 111 U.S. Flag, Airmail, Sp. Del. - Start \$20-25

[Editor’s Note: In addition to the above, Lee reported many other recent auction lots. Club members Rudy Roy (#1124), Chris Rueger (#1834), and Stephen

Lee also reported these lots in **Ron Leigh Philatelic Auctions, Auction #41**:

Lot 772 - Great Britain #113 with C&S perfin on 2 ½ d stationary envelope, postmarked June 15, 1895 to Springfield, Ill. - value \$100 CAN.  
Lot 1307 - 150 Canada Official Covers 1940-50’s, 100 of these with 4-hole OMHS perfin - value \$100 CAN.

Tauber (#2949) also reported several interesting auction items. Unfortunately, space limitations do not allow showing them in this *Bulletin*. Maybe next time.]

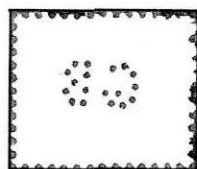
## Make Mine Granite (or Take with a Dash of Hope)

Bob Schwerdt (#505-L)

Among my many (50+) early Swiss perfins in the sitting Helvetia stamp design is the frequently seen small "GB" type used by Gerbruder Benziger of Einsiedeln during the 1879-1898 decades. This type is Number G11 in the 1998 Martin Baer Switzerland catalog: CH PERFINS.

Scott numbers these early Helvetias from #52-59 on white wove paper and #60-68 on granite paper. The granite paper issues contain small fragments of red and blue silk threads and have a considerably higher catalog value used rather than unused. The granite paper also has a higher catalog value than the white wove paper issues.

Naturally, I carefully examined all my copies for the red and blue evidence of the granite variety, but found only one - shown here alongside a different issue with a completely punched perfin.



Mine is a poor copy with face scrape at left edge and minus a few perimeter perforations because of a partial double strike of the perfin pattern. The postmark is an Einsiedeln cds (circular date stamp), dated 29 V 82, but the bottom of the cancel is off the stamp. My copy is the 40 rappen gray issue, Scott

#66. This stamp without the perfin now catalogs \$3,400 in used condition - almost double in value since the 1996 catalog estimate. Unused, it is valued at \$1.80! The stamp must be scarce in used condition to deserve such a high catalog value. The perfin, on the other hand, is common with a rarity factor of 5, halfway between 1 (abundant) and 10 (never seen). I wonder if this is the highest Scott valued stamp with a perfin?

Normally, we consider CTO (canceled to order) stamps as lowering the value of both mint stamps and those used copies that went through the mails. Scott's note after Switzerland #68 indicates that forged and backdated postmarks are evident on all of the granite paper varieties of 1881. So, here we may have an example of stamps canceled to increase their value!

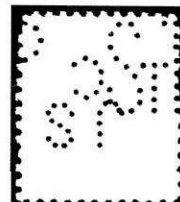
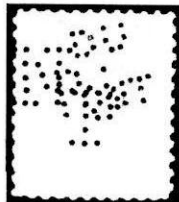
As I examine my fifty plus copies of white paper sitting Helvetias with "GB" perfins, I find that most have similar position postmarks with the town name prominently displayed, almost socked on the nose! I wonder if someone had access to a cancel device and decided to augment his income by backdating a great many unused copies to sell at a profit? Is it possible that all of those mint copies had the "GB" perfin before the stamps were postmarked? Perhaps someone with more information knows the real story of these early Swiss issues? If so, please send it to me at 9 Memory Lane, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603-5231 or to the editor.

## Some Interesting Double Punches

Allan Oleksyn (#1908)

After collecting perfins for 40-50 years, my retirement now gives me more time for my passion. Over the years, I have tucked away certain perfins that are "different" or "interesting" in some way.

At right is SC #807 with U.S. perfins D130 (DuPont) and N129A (Northern Pacific Railway). What is the connection between these companies?



At left is SC #558 with U.S. perfins J144 (Johnson Smith & Company) and S287.5 (Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway).

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## Perfin Club Cover Sales

Millard (Bill) Driscoll (LM#71)

Do you want to expand your perfin collection? Do you have surplus perfin covers that you no longer need? Contact me, Bill Driscoll at the Perfins Club Cover Sales Division. We have many covers for sale at reasonable prices.

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Several members have donated excess covers to the club. All proceeds from the sale of these covers go 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 division a chance to help you develop and expand your collection. My contact information is: Millard J. (Bill) Driscoll, 301 Driver Avenue, Summerville, SC 29483-2961, email: [mdriscoll@sc.rr.com](mailto:mdriscoll@sc.rr.com).

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## FLORIDA PRECANCEL CLUB WINTER MEET

Doug Turner (#2549)

This year was the fourth consecutive year that The Perfins Club was officially represented with a table in Florida. This year Bob Szymanski Club President was in attendance. Ralph (Wally) Smith and his wife Dot stopped by for a visit. Ralph was Secretary of The Perfins Club for a number of years. A good time was had by all in attendance.



Pictured above (left to right) are Bob Szymanski (LM#145), Doug Turner (#2549), Jerry Hejduk (LM#3710), Ralph (Wally) Smith (LM#87), and Dot Smith.



# Perfins Club Auction #113

## Closes June 30, 2009

**Guidelines:** Lots will be sold to the highest bidder at the following advances over the next higher bidder: \$1-5 - a \$0.25 advance; \$5-\$20 - a \$0.50 advance; \$20-100 - a \$1.00 advance; \$101 or higher - a \$5.00 advance. No 'Unlimited' bids. No bids under \$1.00. In case of tie bids, the earlier postmark or e-mail will prevail. All single perfins are complete and in good condition, unless noted otherwise. Natural straight edges are not considered to be defects, just

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### Abbreviations used:

ADD - All Different Designs  
DDF - Design Different Face  
MDD - Mostly Different Designs

PREPER - Precancelled Perfin  
SE - Straight edge(s)  
(?h) - Number of missing pins

Scott #s are used and the pattern #s from most recent US Perfins catalog.

| Lot# | Country | Description    | Rate | Lot# | Country | Description       | Rate | Lot# | Country         | Description                      | Rate |
|------|---------|----------------|------|------|---------|-------------------|------|------|-----------------|----------------------------------|------|
| 1    | US      | G2 on 462      | C+   | 26   | US      | G95 on 406        | B    | 50   | US              | G212 on 333                      | C+   |
| 2    | US      | G7 on 332      | C+   | 27   | US      | G104 on 554       | C+   | 51   | US              | 31 ADD - C+ seconds              |      |
| 3    | US      | G7 on 334      | C+   | 28   | US      | G111 on 463       | B    |      |                 | ( SE, split, etc)                |      |
| 4    | US      | G13 on 499     | C+   | 29   | US      | G113 on 462       | B    | 52   | US              | 100 ADD - D+ (no                 |      |
| 5    | US      | G27 on 332     | C+   | 30   | US      | G114 on 905       | C+   |      |                 | faults)                          |      |
| 6    | US      | G29 on 332     | B    | 31   | US      | G117 on 498       | C+   | 53   | US              | 125 ADD - D+ (no                 |      |
| 7    | US      | G31 on 406(SE) | B    | 32   | US      | G119.5 on 508(SE) | B    |      |                 | faults)                          |      |
| 8    | US      | G40 on 332     | B+   | 33   | US      | G126 on 332(SE)   | B    | 54   | US              | 150 ADD - D+ (some               |      |
| 9    | US      | G41 on 463     | B+   | 34   | US      | G134 on 332(SE)   | B    |      |                 | faults)                          |      |
| 10   | US      | G48 on 331     | B    | 35   | US      | G136 on 503       | B    | 55   | US              | 16 different Stock               |      |
| 11   | US      | G49 on 367     | C    | 36   | US      | G137 on 332       | C+   |      |                 | receipts with perfins            |      |
| 12   | US      | G51 on 632     | B    | 37   | US      | G140 on 331       | B    | 56   | Curacao         | - 2 ADD, 9 DDF                   |      |
| 13   | US      | G53 on 332     | C+   | 38   | US      | G141 on 332       | C+   | 57   | Cuba            | - 13 ADD, 57 DDF                 |      |
| 14   | US      | G65 on 406     | B    | 39   | US      | G147 on 638       | C+   | 58   | French Morocco  | - 4 ADD,                         |      |
| 15   | US      | G67 on 367     | D    | 40   | US      | G165A on 499      | B    |      |                 | 8 DDF                            |      |
| 16   | US      | G71 on 814     | C+   |      |         | (face scuff)      |      | 59   | Gold Coast      | - 5 DDF                          |      |
| 17   | US      | G73 on 332     | C+   | 41   | US      | G168 on 815       | C+   | 60   | Great Britain   | - Offices in                     |      |
| 18   | US      | G75 on 498     | C+   | 42   | US      | G171 on 405       | B    |      |                 | Morocco (Tanger) - 2 DDF         |      |
| 19   | US      | G81 on 474     | C+   |      |         | (split)           |      | 61   | Indochina       | - 2 ADD, 4 DDF                   |      |
| 20   | US      | G82 on 406(SE) | C+   | 43   | US      | G188 on 498(3h)   | B+   | 62   | Italy Mix       | - 300+                           |      |
| 21   | US      | G84 on 636     | B    | 44   | US      | G193 on 332       | B    | 63   | Natal           | - 7 DDF                          |      |
| 22   | US      | G85 on 331     | B+   | 45   | US      | G199 on 634       | C+   | 64   | Netherlands Mix | - 200+                           |      |
| 23   | US      | G86 on 634     | C+   | 46   | US      | G200 on 641       | B    | 65   | Peru Mix        | - 60                             |      |
| 24   | US      | G96 on 463     | B+   | 47   | US      | G201 on 811       | C+   | 66   | Poland          | - 7 ADD, 30 DDF                  |      |
|      |         | (split)        |      | 48   | US      | G205 on 642       | B+   | 67   | Saint Lucia     | - 2 DDF                          |      |
| 25   | US      | G94 on 332(SE) | B    | 49   | US      | G206 on 406       | C+   |      |                 | <b>THAT'S ALL FOR THIS TIME!</b> |      |

If you have surplus perfins you wish to dispose of, I am definitely in need of more material for the

auctions. Foreign material is especially needed. Please send to Bruce Brunell at the address above.



## Member Want Ads

**WANTED:** Italian and Italian Area PERFINs - I have some US and foreign perfins as well as regular stamps available for trade but I am also willing to buy. Italian Area would include Colonies, Occupations, Fiume, Trieste, etc. On/Off cover. Contact Ken Sultana, POB 640233, Oakland Gardens, New York 11364-0233 or e-mail: [kjs2@rcn.com](mailto:kjs2@rcn.com).

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| 12  | NB    | 28  | NB    | 44  | NB    | 60  | NB    | 76  | 11.00 | 92  | 75.00 |
| 13  | NB    | 29  | NB    | 45  | 3.00  | 61  | 34.00 | 77  | 17.00 | 93  | 65.00 |
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| 16  | NB    | 32  | NB    | 48  | NB    | 64  | NB    | 80  | 45.00 |     |       |

Auctioneer's Note: This was not a well bid auction.

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Ken Rehfeld (#3394)

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## INTERESTING PERFIN PATTERN - MOROCCO AGENCIES

Bob Szymanski (LM#155)

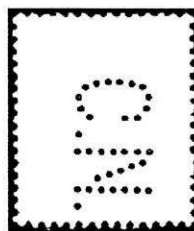
Every once in awhile a perfin comes along that just seems a little strange. While sorting out some of my perfins from "smaller countries", I noticed this one (see illustrations) tucked in with some Tangier material. After looking at it for some time, I saw that the stamp was a Gibraltar issue (a British Colony) and the pattern, clearly a French perfin (Comptoir National D'Escompte) and the cancel from Tangier. Now, I knew that Tangier was an international city but this perfin looked to be the proof in just one perfin stamp!

I checked the new French Colonies and Offices Perfin Catalog, "Timbres Perforés Pays D'Expression Française & Alsace Lorraine" published by ANCOPER, the French Perfin Society. [This catalog was reviewed in the February 2008 issue of *The Perfins Bulletin* (62:26).]

This perfin is found on page 53 of this catalog, listed as pattern C.N.11 with a usage of 1907-1908. (The date cancel on this stamp is January 8, 190(6). The catalog includes a note that the colonial stamps of Germany, England and Spain are found with perfins, BUT only B.E.M. is mentioned, not C.N.?



I also looked in Bob Schwerdt's "World Perfin Catalog - Africa". On page 3, Bob lists a C.N. pattern under British Offices in Morocco with Spanish currency. Careful examination shows this stamp is a 5 centimos. Interestingly, this perfin is also listed in the same catalog on page 32 under Morocco with a note that this perfin is found on French Offices in Morocco before the Protectorate was instituted and on page 42 under Spanish Offices in Morocco.



Without the help of these two catalogs, it would be difficult, at best, to ascertain what this perfin actually is. Where else can you find a perfin on an overprinted British colonial stamp with valuation in Spanish, the cancellation in English and the perfin from a French Bank? This is a great example of why perfin collecting can bring both real dilemmas and great joy!

[Editor's note: Doug Turner (#2549) mentioned that he has a Gibraltar issue 10 Centimos (overprinted Morocco Agencies) with a C.N. perfin, but lacking the Tangier cancel. Also, see Lot 60 in Club Auction #113, page 69 of this *Bulletin*.]