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On the cover

Front (T to B): Sc. 363 (lot 74), Sc. 449 (lot 163), Sc. 355 (lot 68), Sc. 491 (lot 212), Sc. J28 (lot 311), Sc. J50 (lot 322)

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Introduction to The Piedmont Collection

THE PIEDMONT COLLECTION WAS FORMED WITH THE BASIC goal of acquiring one superb example of each issue from the 1898 Trans-Mississippi set through the 1934 Trans-Mississippi Philatelic Exposition souvenir sheet. Earlier issues from the Special Delivery and Postage Due series were also included.

Completeness was considered secondary to condition. Nearly every issue is represented by a stamp that qualifies as one of the finest of its kind. Gum was an important factor, and, in all but a few cases, Mint Never-Hinged is the standard. Several issues—such as Scott 449, 491, 539, J28, J50 and J54—are extremely rare in Mint Never-Hinged state, and the beautifully-centered examples in the Piedmont collection are sure to draw collectors' determined bidding.

The transition from the 20th to 21st Century has brought about a growing fascination with stamps issued during the past 100 years. The 1902-08 Issue and Washington-Franklin series are now highly regarded as the Classics of the period. The myriad Washington-Franklin varieties produced from 1908 through 1923 challenge philatelists. In meeting the challenges of study and acquisition, collectors have developed greater appreciation of the rarity of many stamps, such as the early coils, 1909 Bluish Paper Issue and the Rotary Press "waste" types.

We wish to make a prediction. In time—perhaps five or ten years—this Siegel sale catalogue of the Piedmont collection will become a collectors' guidebook to condition for issues of the 1900 to 1930 period.

We also predict that many collectors—some yet to start and others who are timid in bidding—will look at the stamps and the realizations in this sale and have feelings of missed opportunity that collectors inevitably experience.

Sales such as this earn a prominent position among the library shelves of auction catalogues. We are pleased to see it join the 72-year run of Siegel catalogues.

— SCOTT R. TREPEL

AFTERNOON SESSION (LOTS 1-339) TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2002, AT 1:30 P.M.

THE PIEDMONT COLLECTION OF UNITED STATES STAMPS

TRANS-MISSISSIPPI ISSUE



- 1 ★★ 1c Trans-Mississippi (285). Mint N.H., deep rich color and sharp proof-like impression, perfect centering with wide margins, Extremely Fine Gem, with 2001 P.F. certificate 60.00



7 ★★ 50c Trans-Mississippi (291). Mint N.H., bright shade on fresh paper, wide margins

VERY FINE AND CHOICE MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE 50-CENT TRANS-

MISSISSIPPI.

With 1998 P.F. certificate 1,350.00

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8 ★★ \$1.00 Trans-Mississippi (292). Mint N.H., sharp proof-like impression on bright paper, extra wide margins

VERY FINE AND CHOICE. A BEAUTIFUL MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE \$1.00 TRANS-MISSISSIPPI, WHICH IS WIDELY CONSIDERED TO BE ONE OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL UNITED STATES STAMPS EVER PRODUCED.



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9 ** \$2.00 Trans-Mississippi (293). Mint N.H., intense color and proof-like impression, almost perfect centering with unusually wide margins for this issue

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. THIS MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE \$2.00 TRANSMISSISSIPPI IS ONE OF THE FINEST COPIES IN EXISTENCE. A REMARKABLE STAMP.

The \$2.00 is the most difficult value of the set to obtain in centered, Mint Never-Hinged condition. The margins are almost always narrow on the \$2.00. This makes it difficult to fit the collecting criteria of most Gem-quality collectors. The stamp offered here, which is Mint Never-Hinged with choice centering and fresh color, is a true condition rarity.



PAN-AMERICAN ISSUE

1c Pan-American (294). Mint N.H., rich color and choice centering, Extremely Fine, with

1902-08 ISSUE



- 20 ★★ 8c Violet Black (306). Mint N.H., brilliant color and crisp impression, perfectly centered with enormous margins all around, Extremely Fine Gem, one of the widest-margined examples of this stamp we have ever encountered, with 2000 P.F. certificate...... 80.00

- 23 ** 15c Olive Green (309). Mint N.H., intense color, enormous margins all around, Extremely Fine Gem, a superb example of the 15c 1902 Issue, with 1996 P.F. certificate.

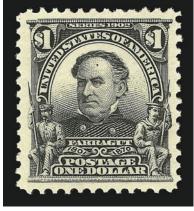
24 ** 50c Orange (310). Mint N.H., vibrant color on bright paper, almost perfectly centered with wide margins all around

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A SUPERB MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE 50-CENT 1902 ISSUE IN REMARKABLY FRESH CONDITION.

With 1992 and 2000 P.F. certificates 950.00



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25 ★★ \$1.00 Black (311). Mint N.H., bright shade and crisp impression, almost perfect centering

FRESH AND EXTREMELY FINE. A SUPERB MINT

NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE \$1.00 1902 ISSUE. With 1997 and 2001 P.F. certificates...... 1,600.00

26 ** \$2.00 Dark Blue (312). Mint N.H., deep rich color and detailed impression, wide margins

VERY FINE AND CHOICE MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE $\$2.00\ 1902$ ISSUE.



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27 ★★ \$5.00 Dark Green (313). Mint N.H., deep rich color and proof-like impression, wide margins

VERY FINE AND CHOICE. THE \$5.00 IS THE MOST DIFFICULT VALUE OF THE SET TO FIND IN MINT NEVER-HINGED CONDITION.

With 1987 and 1995 P.F. certificates 6,500.00





31 ★ 5c Blue, Vertical Coil (317). Pair, barest trace of hinging, deep rich color, choice centering for this difficult issue

VERY FINE. A CHOICE EXAMPLE OF THE RARE 5-CENT 1908 VERTICAL COIL.

Armstrong notes that as of 1980 only 79 pairs had been certified by the Philatelic Foundation.



32 ★ 1c Blue Green, Horizontal Coil (318). Original gum which is barely hinged, rich color, slightly dry print at right, almost perfectly centered

EXTREMELY FINE EXAMPLE OF THE RARE ONE-CENT 1908 HORIZONTAL COIL.

Armstrong notes that as of 1980 only 80 pairs had been certified by the Philatelic Foundation.

SIEGEL AUCTION GALLERIES



LOUISIANA PURCHASE AND JAMESTOWN ISSUES

1c Louisiana Purchase (323). Mint N.H., rich color, perfectly centered with unusually wide margins, Extremely Fine Gem, a superb stamp in every respect, with 1996 P.F.

1908-12 ISSUES

















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- 48 ** 10c Yellow (338). Mint N.H., bright color, choice centering, fresh and Extremely Fine, one of the most difficult values of the set to obtain this choice, with 1999 P.F. certificate.
- 50 ** 15c Pale Ultramarine (340). Mint N.H., bright shade, choice centering with wide and well-proportioned margins, Extremely Fine Gem, with 1997 P.F. certificate...... 125.00



51 ★★ **50c Violet (341).** Mint N.H., choice centering, beautiful deep shade on bright paper EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A REMARKABLY CHOICE HIGH-DENOMINATION WASHINGTON ISSUE IN POST-OFFICE FRESH CONDITION.



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52 ★★ \$1.00 Violet Brown (342). Mint N.H., incredibly rich color and proof-like impression, extraordinarily wide margins

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A SUPERB MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE \$1.00 Washington issue in the finest condition attainable.





57 ★★ 1c Green, Coil (348). Mint N.H. guide line pair, both stamps are perfectly centered with well-proportioned margins, fresh color, Extremely Fine Gem, with 1999 P.F. certificate ... 525.00

2c Carmine, Coil (349). Mint N.H. guide line pair, near perfect centering with wide and well-balanced margins on all sides, fresh color and detailed impression, bottom stamp trivial natural inclusion

> EXTREMELY FINE GEM. THIS IS EASILY ONE OF THE FINEST GUIDE LINE PAIRS OF THIS COIL IN TERMS OF CENTERING, COLOR, FRESHNESS OF GUM AND OVERALL APPEAL.

> With 1984 and 1999 P.F. certificates, neither of which mentions an inclusion. 1,000.00



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59 ★★ 4c Orange Brown, Coil (350). Mint N.H. guide line pair, deep rich color and proof-like impression, wide margins

> EXTREMELY FINE. AN EXCEEDINGLY RARE MINT NEVER-HINGED GUIDE LINE PAIR OF THE 4-CENT PERF 12 DOUBLE-LINE WATERMARKED COIL.

> According to Johl (Vol. 1, page 153), this coil was issued approximately eighteen months after the horizontal coil Scott 354 and was only in use for a short period of time.



60 ★★ 5c Blue, Coil (351). Mint N.H. guide line pair, perfect centering with even margins in both directions, beautiful rich color and detailed impression

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. THIS IS EASILY ONE OF THE FINEST GUIDE LINE PAIRS OF THE 5-CENT VERTICAL COIL IN EXISTENCE. REMARKABLE IN EVERY RESPECT.

Interestingly, this is the only 5c Washington-Franklin vertical coil stamp ever produced. Demand proved to be so low that no others were made.





55 ** 1c Green, Coil (352). Mint N.H. guide line pair, extraordinarily choice centering, beautiful rich color on crisp bright paper

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. UNQUESTIONABLY ONE OF THE FINEST GUIDE LINE PAIRS OF THE ONE-CENT PERF 12 DOUBLE-LINE WATERMARKED HORIZONTAL COIL IN EXISTENCE.



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66 ** 2c Carmine, Coil (353). Mint N.H. guide line pair, choice centering with wide margins on all sides, brilliant color and remarkably detailed impression

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A SUPERB GUIDE LINE PAIR OF THE 2-CENT PERF 12 DOUBLE-LINE WATERMARK HORIZONTAL COIL IN THE FINEST CONDITION ATTAINABLE.

According to Johl (Vol. 1, p. 108), "When the stamps were current, coils were still in small favor with philatelists and as this sidewise type was more popular with users of affixing machines fewer were saved than the endwise coil."



67 ★★ 4c Orange Brown, Coil (354). Mint N.H. guide line pair, beautifully centered with wide and well-proportioned margins all around, fresh and bright colors, trivial natural inclusion at top left

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A SUPERB GUIDE LINE PAIR OF THIS RARE COIL IN THE FINEST CONDITION ATTAINABLE.



68 ★★ 5c Blue, Coil (355). Mint N.H. guide line pair, almost perfectly centered with wide and well-balanced margins, brilliant color and detailed impression

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. THIS IS POSSIBLY THE FINEST GUIDE LINE PAIR OF THE 5-CENT 1909 HORIZONTAL COIL IN EXISTENCE. SUPERB IN EVERY RESPECT — CENTERING, COLOR, GUM, PAPER AND OVERALL APPEAL.



69 ★ 10c Yellow, Coil (356). Single hinge mark at top, unusually wide margins, vibrant color EXTREMELY FINE GEM SINGLE OF THE RARE 10-CENT PERF 12 COIL.

According to Johl (Volume 1, page 181), only 10,000 of this coil were issued. They were made especially for a New York firm to send out advertising samples, similar to the 3c Orangeburg coil. Only a few rolls were sold to the firm, and the remaining rolls were distributed to some of the larger post offices across the country. Dealers acquired several rolls, but as most collectors of the time did not collect coils many were used and destroyed.

BLUISH PAPER







72 **★** 5c Blue, Bluish (361). Single small hinge mark, fresh color and detailed impression on nicely blued paper, choice centering for this issue

EXTREMELY FINE. AN EXCEPTIONAL EXAMPLE OF THE 5-CENT BLUISH PAPER.

Of the 4,000 issued, the majority of surviving examples are off-center. The 5c is the third-scarcest value of the set, after the 4c and the 8c. It was discovered at the post office at Rockford Ill.



6c Red Orange, Bluish (362). Mint N.H., fresh and radiant color, very well-centered for 73 ★★ this difficult stamp

EXTREMELY. A BEAUTIFUL EXAMPLE OF THE 6-CENT BLUISH PAPER.



74 ★ 8c Olive Green, Bluish (363). Barest trace of hinging, crisp color on deeply blued paper, exceptional centering for this difficult stamp

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. THIS IS ONE OF THE FINEST EXAMPLES OF THE RARE 8-CENT BLUISH PAPER IN EXISTENCE. A SUPERB STAMP.

According to Johl (Vol. 1, page 175), the only source of the 4c and 8c Bluish stamps was the archives of the Post Office Department. Approximately 80 of each were traded for rare stamps missing from the archives.

75 ★★ 15c Pale Ultramarine, Bluish (366). Mint N.H., brilliant color on deeply blued paper, choice centering with extra wide margin at top

EXTREMELY FINE. A SUPERB MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE 15-CENT BLUISH PAPER.

The 15c Bluish stamps were discovered at the post office in Buffalo N.Y.





- 76 ** 2c 1909 Commemoratives (367-368, 370-373). Mint N.H., all have Jumbo margins, rich color, each is an Extremely Fine Gem, a superb group, each with 1997 or 1998 P.F. certificate(Photo Ex) 174.00
- 77 ** 2c Lincoln, Bluish (369). Mint N.H., perfectly centered with wide margins, sharp impression on deeply blued paper, Extremely Fine Gem, with 1999 and 2001 P.F. certificates... 380.00



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86 ★★ 15c Pale Ultramarine (382). Mint N.H., brilliant color, perfectly centered

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A SUPERB EXAMPLE OF THE 15-CENT PERF 12 SINGLE-LINE WATERMARK STAMP.

With 1999 P.F. certificate...... 500.00







89 ** 1c Green, Coil (385). Mint N.H. guide line pair, perfect centering with Jumbo margins on all sides, rich color and proof-like impression

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A SUPERB MINT NEVER-HINGED GUIDE LINE PAIR IN THE FINEST CONDITION ATTAINABLE.

90 ** 2c Carmine, Coil (386). Mint N.H. guide line pair, Jumbo margins all around, beautiful bright color and sharp impression

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. PROBABLY THE FINEST GUIDE LINE PAIR OF THIS VERTICAL COIL IN EXISTENCE. TRULY REMARKABLE.

According to Johl (Vol. 1, p. 111), the Bureau switched to Perf 8½ for their coils after a very short period of time. The Perf 12 coils proved to be too susceptible to falling apart in the machines used to affix (and make) the coils. Scott 386 was one of the first to be discontinued.



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92 ** 2c Carmine, Coil (388). Mint N.H., exceptionally choice centering and with 2mm spacing at sides, brilliant color and proof-like impression

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. THE 2-CENT 1911 PERF 12 HORIZONTAL COIL IS ONE OF THE MOST DIFFICULT OF ALL 20TH CENTURY UNITED STATES STAMPS TO FIND IN MINT NEVER-HINGED CONDITION.

This 2c coil was in production for only a short period of time before being superseded by the Perf 8½ issue. Due to the greater popularity of the horizontal coils with users, combined with a wary attitude by many collectors that early coils were simply trimmed stamps, many were used and few preserved. The rarity of this stamp in Mint N.H. condition cannot be understated. As an additional rarity factor, an even smaller percentage were produced with the 2mm spacing, making this centered example probably the finest known single.





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- 93 ** 1c Green, 2c Carmine, Coil (390-391). Mint N.H., huge margins, Extremely Fine Gems, with 1996 and 2000 P.F. certificates.......................(Photo Ex) 82.00



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25 ★★ 2c Carmine, Coil (391). Mint N.H. guide line pair, perfect centering with Jumbo margins, brilliant color

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. AN OUTSTANDING MINT NEVER-HINGED GUIDE LINE PAIR IN THE FINEST CONDITION ATTAINABLE.

The Perf $8\frac{1}{2}$ coil stamps were produced after the Bureau introduced a new machine to assist in the production of coil stamps. The earlier Perf 12 stamps were too fragile for use in the machine, which necessitated the change in perforation gauge from 12 to $8\frac{1}{2}$.

With 1987 and 2001 P.F. certificates...... 475.00







103 ** 3c Deep Violet, Coil (394). Mint N.H. guide line pair, perfectly centered with enormous margins, post-office fresh

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. AN ABSOLUTELY SUPERB MINT NEVER-HINGED GUIDE LINE PAIR OF THE 3-CENT 1911 HORIZONTAL COIL.

104 ** 4c Brown, Coil (395). Mint N.H. guide line pair, choice centering, rich color and post-office fresh

EXTREMELY FINE. A CHOICE MINT NEVER-HINGED GUIDE LINE PAIR OF THE 4-CENT 1911 HORIZONTAL COIL.

With 1998 P.F. certificate 725.00



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105 ★★ 5c Blue, Coil (396). Mint N.H. guide line pair, deep dark shade on bright paper

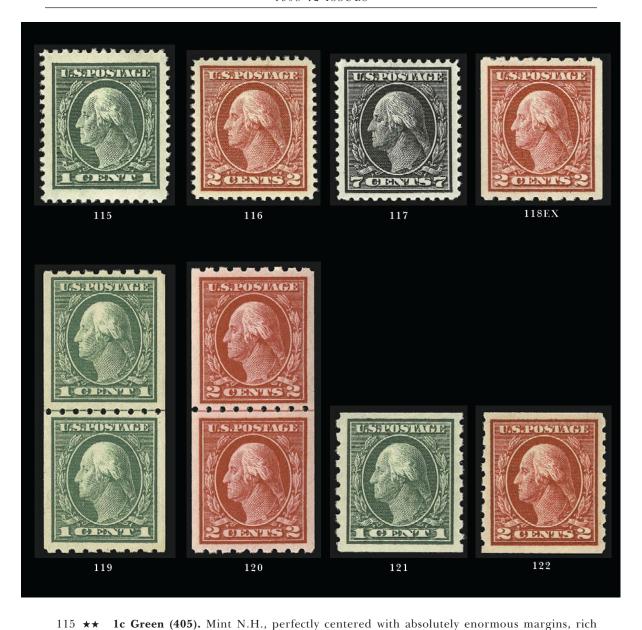
EXTREMELY FINE MINT NEVER-HINGED GUIDE LINE PAIR OF THE 5-CENT 1911 HORIZONTAL COIL.

With 1998 P.F. certificate 725.00

PANAMA-PACIFIC ISSUE



106 ★★	1c Panama-Pacific (397). Mint N.H., Jumbo margins, rich color, Extremely Fine Gem, ahuge stamp, with 2000 P.F. certificate
107 ★★	2c Panama-Pacific (398). Mint N.H., perfectly centered with well-proportioned margins, deep shade on bright paper, Extremely Fine Gem, with 1999 P.F. certificate 37.00
108 ★★	5c Panama-Pacific (399). Mint N.H., well-centered with Jumbo margins, rich color, Extremely Fine Gem, an outstanding stamp, with 1986 P.F. certificate
109 ★★	10c Orange Yellow, Panama-Pacific (400). Mint N.H., choice centering, brilliant color on bright paper, Extremely Fine Gem, with 1996 P.F. certificate
110 ★★	10c Orange, Panama-Pacific (400A). Mint N.H., beautifully centered, detailed impression, Extremely Fine, with 2000 P.F. certificate
111 ★★	1c Panama-Pacific, Perf 10 (401). Mint N.H., perfect centering, intense color, ExtremelyFine Gem, with 1997 P.F. certificate45.00
112 ★★	2c Panama-Pacific, Perf 10 (402). Mint N.H., perfectly centered, bright shade on white paper, Extremely Fine Gem, a remarkably fresh stamp, with 1997 P.F. certificate
113 ★★	5c Panama-Pacific, Perf 10 (403). Mint N.H., choice centering with well-proportionedmargins, deep rich color on bright white paper, Extremely Fine Gem, with 2000 P.F.certificate
114 ★★	10c Panama-Pacific, Perf 10 (404). Mint N.H., choice centering, intense color and detailed impression on bright white paper
	VERY FINE. A CHOICE MINT NEVER-HINGED 10-CENT PERF 10 PANAMA-PACIFIC ISSUE.
	According to Johl (Vol. 1, page 239) the 10c Perf 10 Panama-Pacific was issued only six months prior to its being discontinued. The series had been available for over $2\frac{1}{2}$ years, and so this latecomer to the series was largely overlooked. Unlike some of the other denominations, this stamp is difficult to find in well-centered Mint N.H. condition.
	With 1997 P.F. certificate



color on bright paper, Extremely Fine Gem, a phenomenal stamp, with 1999 and 2000 116 ★★ 2c Carmine (406). Mint N.H., perfect centering, rich color on white paper, Extremely 117 ★★ 7c Black (407). Mint N.H., perfectly centered, intense shade and impression on bright 1c Green, 2c Carmine, Coils (410-411). Mint N.H., wide margins, Extremely Fine, with 118 ★★ 1997 and 1998 P.F. certificates(Photo Ex) 29.00 119 ★★ 1c Green, Coil (410). Mint N.H. guide line pair, beautiful centering with wide and even 120 ★★ 2c Carmine, Coil (411). Mint N.H. guide line pair, magnificent color and centering, 121 ★★ 1c Green, Coil (412). Mint N.H., Jumbo margins, rich color, Extremely Fine, with 1997 P.F. certificate 45.00 122 ★★ 2c Carmine, Coil (413). Mint N.H., intense color and impression on bright paper,

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123 ★★	1c Green, Coil (412). Mint N.H. guide line pair, perfectly centered, intense dark colorand sharp impression, Extremely Fine, a superb Mint N.H. guide line pair, with 1994P.F. certificate
124 ★★	2c Carmine, Coil (413). Mint N.H. guide line pair, wide margins, brilliant color
	EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A SUPERB MINT NEVER-HINGED GUIDE LINE PAIR.
	With 1991 and 1999 P.F. certificates
125 ★★	8c Pale Olive Green (414). Mint N.H., choice centering, pretty pastel shade, fresh and Extremely Fine, with 1997 P.F. certificate
126 ★★	9c Salmon Red (415).Mint N.H., beautiful centering, brilliant color on bright paper,Extremely Fine, with 2001 P.F. certificate
127 ★★	10c Orange Yellow (416).Mint N.H., wide margins, vibrant color on white paper,Extremely Fine Gem, with 1999 P.F. certificate80.00
128 ★★	12c Claret Brown (417). Mint N.H., perfect centering, rich color and proof-like impression, Extremely Fine Gem, this was the first 12c stamp issued in the Washington-Franklin series, with 1998 P.F. certificate
129 ★★	15c Gray (418). Mint N.H., perfectly centered with wide margins, brilliant color on bright paper, Extremely Fine Gem, a superb stamp, with 2000 P.F. certificate 155.00
130 ★★	20c Ultramarine (419). Mint N.H., gorgeous color, almost perfectly centered with extra wide margins, Extremely Fine and choice, with 2000 P.F. certificate 360.00
131 ★★	30c Orange Red (420). Mint N.H., extra wide margins, brilliant color on white paper, Extremely Fine, with 1998 P.F. certificate



132 ★★ 50c Violet (421). Mint N.H., perfectly centered with well-proportioned margins, deep rich color on bright white paper

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. ONE OF THE FINEST EXAMPLES OF THE $1914\ 50\text{-CENT}$ PERF $12\ SINGLE\text{-LINE}$ WATERMARKED STAMP IN EXISTENCE.

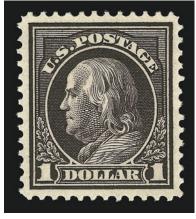
133 ★★ **50c Violet (422).** Mint N.H., remarkable centering with unusually wide margins at sides, brilliant color on bright paper

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A SUPERB EXAMPLE OF THE $1912\ 50$ -CENT FRANKLIN ON DOUBLE-LINE WATERMARKED PAPER.

According to Johl (Vol. 1, page 203), Scott 422 was issued more than two years prior to the release of Scott 421. A supply of the double-line watermark paper was still on hand to fulfill the needs of the higher denomination stamps.



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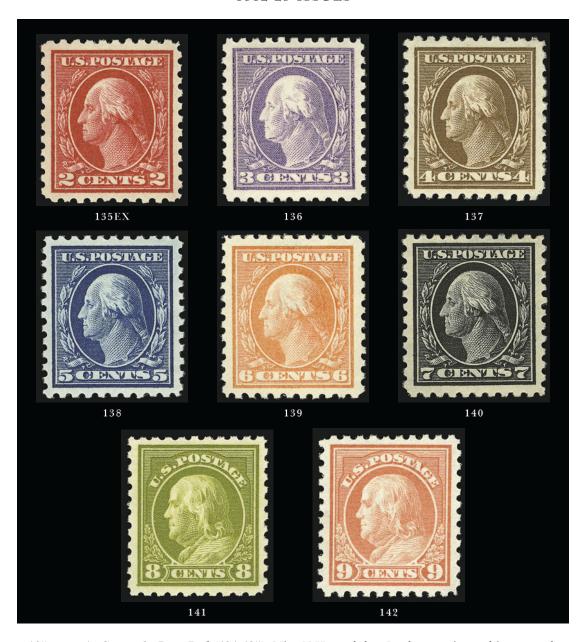


134 ★★ \$1.00 Violet Brown (423). Mint N.H., almost perfect centering with well-balanced margins, deep shade and proof-like impression on bright paper

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. THIS IS AN EXTREMELY DIFFICULT STAMP TO FIND WITH SUCH CHOICE CENTERING.

This stamp occasionally comes with wide margins, but is rarely found with such perfect centering. A condition rarity. With 1997 P.F. certificate 950.00

1912-23 ISSUES



- 135 ★★ 1c Green, 2c Rose Red (424-425). Mint N.H., each has Jumbo margins and intense color, Extremely Fine Gems, with 1997 and 1998 P.F. certificates.....(Photo Ex) 8.00

- 138 ★★ 5c Blue (428). Mint N.H., perfectly centered, deep shade and proof-like impression, Extremely Fine Gem, a stamp of great visual appeal, with 1998 P.F. certificate.... 62.00

- 142 ** 9c Salmon Red (432). Mint N.H., perfectly centered, brilliant shade on white paper, Extremely Fine Gem, a stamp of remarkable freshness, with 2000 P.F. certificate. 90.00



143 ★★ 10c Orange Yellow (433). Mint N.H., wide margins, fresh color, Extremely Fine, with 144 ★★ 11c Dark Green (434). Mint N.H., Jumbo margins, dark color on bright paper, 12c Claret Brown (435). Mint N.H., choice centering with extra wide margins at sides, 145 ★★ intense shade and impression on white paper, Extremely Fine Gem, with 1997 P.F. certificate 50.00 146 ★★ 15c Gray (437). Mint N.H., virtually perfectly centered, rich color, Extremely Fine, with 147 ★★ 20c Ultramarine (438). Mint N.H., choice centering, brilliant color, fresh and Extremely 30c Orange Red (439). Mint N.H., deep rich color on bright paper, fresh and Extremely 148 ★★



149 ** 50c Violet (440). Mint N.H., perfect centering with well-balanced margins, bright shade on crisp paper EXTREMELY FINE GEM. THIS IS AN EXTREMELY DIFFICULT STAMP TO FIND IN SUCH SUPERB CONDITION. A WONDERFUL CONDITION RARITY.













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160 ★★ 3c Violet, Coil (445). Mint N.H. guide line pair, almost perfect centering with extra wide margins, fresh color on bright paper

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. ONE OF THE FINEST MINT NEVER-HINGED GUIDE LINE PAIRS OF SCOTT 445 IN EXISTENCE.

According to Johl (Vol. 1, page 143), the 3c stamps were mainly used for special mailings such as samples and pamphlets and were therefore not widely available to collectors of the day. This accounts for their rarity in such superb and pristine condition.



161 ★★ 4c Brown, Coil (446). Mint N.H. guide line pair, phenomenal centering with perfect margins all around, bright shade and crisp impression

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. EASILY ONE OF THE FINEST MINT NEVER-HINGED GUIDE LINE PAIRS OF SCOTT 446 IN EXISTENCE.

With 1996 P.F. certificate . 1,350.00





163 ★★ 2c Red, Ty. I, Coil (449). Mint N.H., exceptional centering with wide margins all around, brilliant color and detailed impression.

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. AN EXTRAORDINARILY RARE MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE 1915 TYPE I VERTICAL COIL. AN OUTSTANDING RARITY.

Type I rotary press stamps were produced using the same master dies as had been used for flat plate printings. However, due to the curve of the plate to fit the rotary press, the impressions lacked some of the details of the flat plate printings. New dies were made with strengthened lines, resulting in the Type II stamps. After plate wear was noticed, further strengthening was necessary, resulting in the Type III stamps. Scott 449 was not produced until almost a year and a half after the Type I horizontal coil, Scott 453. Due to the unpopularity of vertical coils, this Type I stamp was in production for only a short period of time before being discontinued. The stamp offered here, in a Mint N.H. condition and with such choice centering and color, is a major rarity.



165 ★★ 2c Carmine, Ty. III, Coil (450). Mint N.H. joint line pair, brilliant color, fresh and 1c Green, Coil (452). Mint N.H., Jumbo margins, detailed impression, Extremely Fine 166 ★★ 2c Carmine Rose, Ty. I, Coil (453). Mint N.H. joint line pair, wide margins, bright color, 167 ★★ 168 ★★ 2c Red, Ty. II, Coil (454). Mint N.H., almost perfect centering, bright color, Extremely 169 ★★ 2c Carmine, Ty. III, Coil (455). Mint N.H., choice centering, rich color, Extremely Fine, with 2000 P.F. certificate 3c Violet, Coil (456). Mint N.H., wide margins all around, fresh color and detailed 170 ★★ impression, Extremely Fine Gem, a beautiful stamp, with 1999 P.F. certificate... 430.00 4c Brown, Coil (457). Mint N.H., wide margins, bright color, Extremely Fine, with 1997 171 ★★ P.F. certificate 45.00 172 ★★ 5c Blue, Coil (458). Mint N.H., enormous margins, rich color, Extremely Fine, a huge



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174 ** 2c Carmine Rose, Ty. I, Coil (453). Mint N.H. joint line pair, almost perfectly centered (the right stamp with Jumbo margins all around), beautiful bright color on white paper

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A SUPERB MINT NEVER-HINGED GUIDE LINE PAIR OF SCOTT 453 IN THE FINEST CONDITION ATTAINABLE.

The Type I rotary press stamps were produced using the same master dies as had been used for flat plate printings. However, due to the curve of the plate to fit the rotary press, the impressions lacked some of the details of the flat plate printings. New dies were made with strengthened lines, resulting in the Type II stamps. With 1999 P.F. certificate 1,250.00



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175 ★★ 2c Red, Ty. II, Coil (454). Mint N.H. joint line pair, perfectly centered, brilliant color, detailed impression

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A SUPERB MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE 1915 TYPE II ROTARY HORIZONTAL COIL.

As mentioned in our description for Scott 449, the Type II stamps were replaced by the more deeply-engraved Type III after plate wear was noticed on the new rotary printing presses.





177 ** 3c Violet, Type I, Coil (456). Mint N.H. joint line pair, choice centering with wide margins and part of adjoining stamps at sides, fresh color and detailed impression EXTREMELY FINE. A SUPERB MINT NEVER-HINGED JOINT LINE PAIR OF THE 1916 3-CENT HORIZONTAL COIL.



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179 ** 5c Blue, Coil (458). Mint N.H. joint line pair, perfect centering with wide margins, rich color and proof-like impression, Extremely Fine Gem, superb in every respect, with 2001 P.F. certificate ... 325.00



180 ** 2c Carmine, Ty. I, Imperforate Coil (459). Mint N.H., large margins, rich color, Extremely Fine, with 1996 P.F. certificate ... 350.00

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181 ** 2c Carmine, Ty. I, Imperforate Coil (459).

Mint N.H. joint line pair, without usual

crease between stamps, large and even
margins

EXTREMELY FINE GEM JOINT LINE PAIR. SUPERB IN EVERY RESPECT.



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182 ★★ \$1.00 Violet Black (460). Mint N.H., mathematically perfect centering with wide and well-balanced margins, deep rich color and sharp proof-like impression on bright paper

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. THIS SUPERB EXAMPLE OF THE PERF 10 DOUBLE-LINE WATERMARK FRANKLIN IS EASILY ONE OF THE FINEST IN EXISTENCE. A REMARKABLE CONDITION RARITY.

Even though this stamp is not particularly rare, collectors who have been searching know that it is extremely difficult to find with such perfect centering and in such pristine condition.





certificate 135.00



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188 ★★⊞ 5c Carmine, Error (467). Mint N.H. double error in block of twelve, remarkably choice centering, brilliant color on bright white paper

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. THE 5-CENT PERF 10 ERROR IS SURPRISINGLY DIFFICULT TO FIND IN SUCH SUPERB CONDITION.



190 ★★ 7c Black (469). Mint N.H., intense shade and proof-like impression, fresh and Extremely 191 ★★ 8c Olive Green (470). Mint N.H., almost perfect centering, pretty shade, fresh and 9c Salmon Red (471). Mint N.H., perfectly centered, brilliant color on bright paper, 192 ★★ Extremely Fine Gem, a superb stamp in every respect, with 1999 P.F. certificate 193 ★★ 10c Orange Yellow (472). Mint N.H., well-balanced margins, brilliant color, fresh and 11c Dark Green (473). Mint N.H., wide margins, deep dark color on bright paper, 194 ★★ 12c Claret Brown (474). Mint N.H., almost perfect centering, fresh color and crisp 195 ★★ 196 ★★ 15c Gray (475). Mint N.H., extra wide margins at sides, bright shade, Extremely Fine,

197 ★★



198 ★★ 30c Orange Red, Perf 10 (476A). Position 73 from Plate No. 6911, Mint N.H., very deep and intense color, sharp proof-like impression on bright white paper, well-centered for this difficult stamp

FRESH AND EXTREMELY FINE. AN OUTSTANDING EXAMPLE OF THE VERY RARE 30-CENT PERF 10 WASHINGTON-FRANKLIN ON UNWATERMARKED PAPER.

In an article in *Philatelic Opinions V* published by the Philatelic Foundation, William T. Crowe, head of the Expert Committee, discusses the discovery of this rare stamp and how it might have been issued. The production of Scott 476A occurred during the period of transition from gauge-10 perfs to gauge 11. Bureau records do not list a 30c printing on unwatermarked paper that was perforated 10, but the existence of two certified panes—one bottom-right pane from Plate 6917 and one top-right pane from Plate 6911—is evidence that the combination of new unwatermarked paper and old 10-gauge perfs occurred, even if inadvertantly. Stamps from these two panes (200 total), two left sheetmargin blocks of four and a bottom plate no. 6914 single, none of which have any trace of watermark, are the only accepted examples of Scott 476A.



199 ★★ **50c Light Violet (477).** Mint N.H., exceptional centering with wide margins all around, rich color on bright white

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. EASILY ONE OF THE FINEST EXAMPLES OF THE 50-CENT PERF 10 FRANKLIN STAMP ON UNWATERMARKED PAPER IN EXISTENCE.

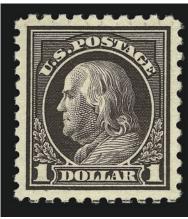
This 50c stamp was only in production for a very short period of time. It was actually released only three weeks prior to the beginning of the new Perf 11 series and was only used for a short period of time before being superseded by the new issue.

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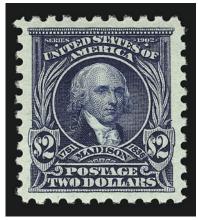
200 ★★ \$1.00 Violet Black (478). Mint N.H., perfect centering with wide and well-balanced margins, intense color and impression on bright paper

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A SUPERB EXAMPLE OF THE \$1.00 PERF 10 UNWATERMARKED FRANKLIN STAMP IN THE FINEST CONDITION ATTAINABLE.

This stamp was only used for less than six months before the Perf 11 stamps were produced. Due to its short production run and the only difference between this and the previous \$1.00 stamp (Scott 460) being the watermark, many collectors and dealers of the day overlooked this stamp. It is especially scarce with such perfect centering.



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201 ** \$2.00 Dark Blue (479). Mint N.H., wide margins, rich color, Extremely Fine, with 1998 P.F. certificate............

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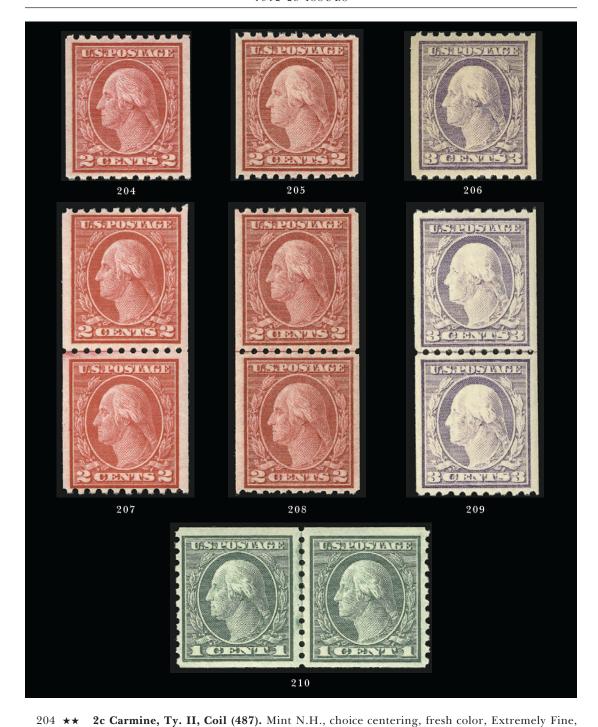




203 ★★⊞ 5c Carmine, Imperforate, Error (485). Mint N.H. double error in block of 70, sheet margin at left and top each with plate no. 7942 and full guideline at bottom, large margin at right, fresh color

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. AN OUTSTANDING EXAMPLE OF THE 5-CENT IMPERFORATE ERROR, OF WHICH LESS THAN 50 SHEETS WERE RELEASED TO THE PUBLIC.

During the course of production of the normal 2c plate No. 7942, three positions were noted to be defective. The plate was sent back to the siderographer, who burnished out the three positions and mistakenly re-entered them using a transfer roll for the 5c stamp. The error passed unnoticed and the sheets were issued to the public both Perf 10, Imperforate and Perf 11 (Scott 467, 485 and 505). The imperforate is by far the rarest of the three.



with 2000 P.F. certificate 24.00 205 ★★ 2c Carmine, Ty. III, Coil (488). Perfectly centered, brilliant color and detailed impres-206 ★★ 3c Violet, Ty. I, Coil (489). Mint N.H., Jumbo margins all around, bright color, 207 ★★ 2c Carmine, Ty. II, Coil (487). Mint N.H. joint line pair, extra wide margins, rich color, Extremely Fine, with 1999 P.F. certificate 190.00 2c Carmine, Ty. III, Coil (488). Mint N.H. joint line pair, wide margins, bright shade, 208 ★★ 209 ★★ 3c Violet, Ty. I, Coil (489). Mint N.H. joint line pair, wide margins all around, brilliant 210 ★★ 1c Green, Coil (490). Mint N.H. joint line pair, wide margins, fresh and Extremely Fine,



211 ** 2c Carmine, Ty. II, Coil (491). Mint N.H., almost perfectly centered, fresh color and detailed impression

EXTREMELY FINE. A SUPERB MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE RARE 2-CENT TYPE II PERF 10 HORIZONTAL COIL ON UNWATERMARKED PAPER.

Unlike most other issues, the horizontal coil is actually scarcer than the vertical coil. It was in production for only a short period of time before being replaced by the Type III, Scott 492.



212 ** 2c Carmine, Ty. II, Coil (491). Mint N.H. pair, choice centering with well-proportioned margins, fresh color and detailed impression

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. AN EXTRAORDINARILY RARE MINT NEVER-HINGED PAIR OF THIS RARE COIL.

Unlike most other issues, the horizontal coil is actually scarcer than the vertical coil. It was in production for only a short period of time before being replaced by the Type III, Scott 492. This coil is easily one of the rarest of all 20th Century issues in Mint Never-Hinged condition.



214 ★★ 3c Violet, Ty. I, Coil (493). Mint N.H. joint line pair, extra wide margins, fresh color, Extremely Fine, with 1997 P.F. certificate 200.00 3c Violet, Ty. II, Coil (494). Mint N.H. joint line pair, wide margins, intense impression, 215 ★★ 216 ★★ 4c Orange Brown, Coil (495). Mint N.H. joint line pair, almost perfectly centered, post-5c Blue, Coil (496). Mint N.H. joint line pair, well-balanced margins, rich color and 217 ★★ detailed impression, Extremely Fine Gem, with 1997 P.F. certificate...... 55.00 10c Orange Yellow, Coil (497). Mint N.H. joint line pair, perfect centering, brilliant 218 ★★ color, Extremely Fine Gem, a superb joint line pair, with 1997 P.F. certificate... 250.00 1c-10c 1916-22 Coils (490, 492-497). Mint N.H., each has choice centering and fresh 219 ** color, all are Extremely Fine, each has at least one P.F. certificate....(Photo Ex) 125.00 1c-9c 1917-19 Issue (498-499, 504, 508-509). Mint N.H., all have choice centering and 220 ** fresh color, Extremely Fine, each with 1997-99 P.F. certificate(Photo Ex) 63.00



221 ** 2c Deep Rose, Ty. Ia (500). Mint N.H., perfectly centered with uncharacteristically wide and even margins, post-office fresh

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. EASILY ONE OF THE FINEST MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLES OF SCOTT $500\,$ IN EXISTENCE.

The Type Ia Scott 500 was created during an experiment of the Bureau in creating a new type of transfer roll. A die was made from the old Type I transfer roll, having ten impressions on it. A new transfer roll was then made, using the new tenimpression master die. This new transfer roll was then used to create two new plates. Since this is essentially a "lossy" process, there are some noticeable differences between the plates created using this method and the old method of using one die impression to create the transfer roll.

With 1999 P.F. certificate 500.00



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with 1997 P.F. certificate 20.00 224 ★★ 3c Dark Violet, Ty. II (502). Mint N.H., wide margins, intense shade, Extremely Fine, with 1997 P.F. certificate 4c Brown (503). Mint N.H., perfectly centered with wide margins, bright shade, Extremely Fine Gem, with 225 ★★ 6c Red Orange (506). Mint N.H., incredibly radiant color, Extremely Fine Gem, a beautiful stamp, with 1997 226 ** P.F. certificate 22.00 227 ★★ 7c Black (507). Mint N.H., sharp impression on white paper, fresh and Extremely Fine, with 1998 P.F. certifi-228 ★★ 10c Orange Yellow (510). Mint N.H., choice centering with wide margins, brilliant color, Extremely Fine, with 229 ** 11c Light Green (511). Mint N.H., Jumbo margins, rich color on bright paper, Extremely Fine, with 1998 P.F. 230 ★★ 12c Claret Brown (512). Mint N.H., perfectly centered with massive margins, gorgeous bright color, Extremely 13c Apple Green (513). Jumbo margins, brilliant color on bright paper, Extremely Fine Gem, with 1998 P.F. 231 ** 232 ★★ 233 ★★ 20c Light Ultramarine (515). Mint N.H., almost perfect centering, radiant color, Extremely Fine, with 1999 P.F. certificate 85.00 30c Orange Red (516). Mint N.H., massive margins all around, rich color on bright paper, trivial natural inclu-234 ★★ sion, Extremely Fine Gem, a huge stamp, with 2000 P.F. certificate not mentioning the inclusion 67.00



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236 ** \$1.00 Violet Brown (518). Mint N.H., choice centering with massive margins at sides, rich color and proof-like impression, Extremely Fine Gem, a beautiful stamp, with 1994 P.F. certificate.......... 95.00



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237 ★★ 2c Carmine (519). Mint N.H., choice centering with well-proportioned margins, rich color and proof-like impression

EXTREMELY FINE. A BEAUTIFUL MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF SCOTT 519.

This stamp was created in 1917 when a small excess supply of the imperforate Scott 344 was returned in from the post office in New York City to the Bureau. Rather than credit the New York post office for the returned postage, the Bureau preferred to perforate the sheets. They were then returned to the post office in New York and placed on sale.

With 1990 and 2000 P.F. certificates 675.00

238 ** \$2.00 Orange Red & Black (523). Mint N.H., choice centering, rich color

EXTREMELY FINE. A BEAUTIFUL MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE \$2.00 ORANGE RED & BLACK ISSUE.

With 2000 and 2001 P.F. certificates... 1,050.00









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245 ** 2c Carmine, Ty. VI, Imperforate (534A). Mint N.H., large margins all around, fresh and Extremely Fine, with 1997 P.F. certificate... 80.00



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246 ** 2c Carmine, Ty. VII, Imperforate (534B). Mint N.H., large margins all around, brilliant color on crisp paper, detailed impression

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A SUPERB MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE RARE TYPE VII IMPERFORATE OFFSET STAMP.

Most Type VII stamps were used by private vending and affixing machine companies. However, unlike Scott 314A and 482A, a small supply of the imperforate 2c Type VII stamps did reach the public.

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248 ** 2c Carmine Rose, Ty. II, Rotary (539). Mint N.H., rich color and sharp impression, wide balanced margins and choice centering

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A SUPERB MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THIS RARE ROTARY-PRESS PRINTING. AN EXCEEDINGLY DIFFICULT STAMP TO FIND IN SUCH CONDITION.

At the beginning or end of a coil-stamp print run from the 170-subject rotary plates, some leading or trailing paper was left over that was too short for rolling into 500-stamp rolls. In 1919, the Bureau devised a plan to salvage this waste by converting the stamps from coil stamps into sheet stamps. This was accomplished by cutting the sheets into panes and putting the panes through the flat-plate perforator in use at the time, giving the stamps perforations on all sides.

Since Scott 539 was put through two different perforating machines of differing gauges at different times, most of the stamps are off-center. The stamp offered here is a true condition rarity by virtue of its centering, margins and Mint N.H. state.







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251 ★★ 1c Green, Rotary (545). Mint N.H., mathematically perfect centering with extra wide margins all around, fresh color and detailed impression

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. THIS IS PROBABLY THE FINEST COPY OF SCOTT 545 IN EXISTENCE. A REMARKABLE STAMP IN EVERY RESPECT — MARGINS, COLOR, IMPRESSION AND OVERALL APPEAL.

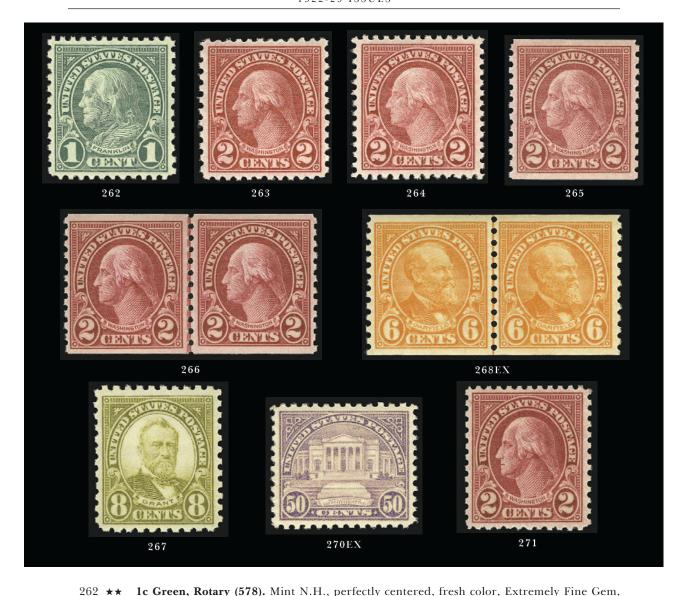
As collectors who have sought this issue know, the rotary press printings from 1919 to 1921 are very difficult to find with choice centering. When a well-centered copy does present itself, the margins are usually small. The stamp offered here, with extra wide margins all around, is a rare and striking anomaly.



- 254 ** 1c-5c Pilgrim Tercentenary (548-550). Mint N.H., all have choice centering and rich color, Extremely Fine set, the 1c and 5c with 2001 P.F. certificates(Photo Ex) 87.00

1922-29 ISSUES

- 258 ** 25c Yellow Green (568). Mint N.H., wide margins, rich color, Extremely Fine, with 2001
- P.F. certificate 29.00
 259 ★★ \$1.00 Violet Black (571). Mint N.H., choice centering, rich color on bright paper,



263 ★★ 2c Carmine, Rotary (579). Mint N.H., unusually wide margins for this issue, rich color 2c Carmine, Rotary, Perf 11 (595). Mint N.H., almost perfectly centered with wide 264 ★★ margins, bright color, Extremely Fine Gem, a superb stamp, with 2000 P.F. certificate.... 475.00 2c Carmine, Ty. II, Coil (599A). Mint N.H., perfectly centered, Extremely Fine Gem, 265 ★★ 266 ★★ 2c Carmine, Ty. II, Coil (599A). Mint N.H. joint line pair, choice centering, intense color and impression clearly showing the characteristics of the type, Extremely Fine Gem, a 267 ★★ 8c Olive Green, Perf 10 (589). Mint N.H., post-office fresh and Extremely Fine Gem, 1c-10c 1923-32 Issue, Coils (597-599, 600-606, 723). Mint N.H. joint line pairs, each has 268 ★★ choice centering and fresh color, Very Fine-Extremely Fine group....(Photo Ex) 259.00 269 ★★ 2c White Plains Souvenir Sheet (630). Mint N.H., choice centering, tiny scuff in sheet 1½c-50c 1926-31 Issue (631-634, 635-642, 653, 692-701). Mint N.H., all have choice 270 ★★ centering and rich colors, fresh and Very Fine-Extremely Fine, a beautiful group (Photo Ex) 162.00 2c Carmine, Ty. II (634A). Mint N.H., brilliant color and detailed impression, Extremely 271 ★★ Fine, with 1997 P.F. certificate

KANSAS-NEBRASKA ISSUE



272 ★★	1c-10c Kans., Nebr. Ovpts (658-660, 665, 668, 669-674, 678). Mint N.H., all have rich color, Very Fine-Extremely Fine group, seven with 2001 P.F. certificates
273 ★★	
274 ★★	4c Kans. Ovpt. (662). Mint N.H., perfectly centered with wide margins, intense shade,Extremely Fine Gem, with 2001 P.F. certificate34.00
275 ★★	5c Kans. Ovpt. (663). Mint N.H., perfectly centered with well-proportioned margins, rich color, Extremely Fine Gem, with 2001 P.F. certificate
276 ★★	6c Kans. Ovpt. (664). Mint N.H., choice centering with well-balanced margins, bright color, fresh and Extremely Fine, with 1997 P.F. certificate
277 ★★	8c Kans. Ovpt. (666). Mint N.H., choice centering, rich color, Extremely Fine, scarce this well-centered, with 2001 P.F. certificate
278 ★★	9c Kans. Ovpt. (667). Mint N.H., choice centering, fresh color, Extremely Fine, with2001 P.F. certificate24.00
279 ★★	6c Nebr. Ovpt. (675). Mint N.H., perfectly centered, brilliant color, Extremely FineGem, with 1998 P.F. certificate
280 ★★	7c Nebr. Ovpt. (676). Mint N.H., perfect centering, Extremely Fine, with 2001 P.F.certificate
281 **	8b Nebr. Ovpt. (677). Mint N.H., perfectly centered with wide margins for this issue, fresh color, Extremely Fine Gem, with 2000 and 2001 P.F. certificates 57.00

AIR POST AND SPECIAL DELIVERY







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- 282 ** 6c-24c 1918 Air Post (C1-C3). Mint N.H., choice centering, Extremely Fine, with 1997, 1998 or 1999 P.F. certificates.......................(Photo Ex) 400.00
- 283 ** 8c-24c 1923 Air Post (C4-C6). Mint N.H., beautiful centering and color, Extremely Fine, with 1998 or 1999 P.F. certificates......(Photo Ex) 345.00
- 285 ** 10c Blue, Special Delivery (E1). Mint N.H., wide margins, rich color and detailed impression

EXTREMELY FINE. A SCARCE MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE FIRST SPECIAL DELIVERY STAMP.

Issued in October 1885, this issue was printed by the American Bank Note Company. This centered, Mint Never-Hinged example should be considered a rarity.

With 1997 P.F. certificate............ 650.00



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- 287 ** 10c Orange, Special Delivery (E3). Mint N.H., perfectly centered, radiant color on bright paper, Extremely Fine Gem, a superb stamp, with 2001 P.F. certificate....................... 400.00

288 ** 10c Blue, Special Delivery (E4). Mint N.H., Jumbo margins, rich color and proof-like impression on bright white paper

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A HUGE MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE 1894 10-CENT SPECIAL DELIVERY STAMP.

With 1996 P.F. certificate 1,500.00





- 292 ** 10c Ultramarine, Special Delivery (E8). Mint N.H., Jumbo margins, intense shade on white paper, Extremely Fine Gem, with 1999 and 2001 P.F. certificates 185.00
- 293 ★★ 10c Ultramarine (E9). Mint N.H., perfectly centered with enormous balanced margins on bright white paper, Extremely Fine Gem, with 1997 and 2001 P.F. certificate.... 340.00



294 ** 10c Pale Ultramarine, Special Delivery (E10). Mint N.H., perfectly centered with enormous margins, bright shade, Extremely Fine Gem, with 1995 P.F. certificate 500.00



- 295 ** 10c Ultramarine, Special Delivery (E11). Mint N.H., perfectly centered with Jumbo margins, detailed impression, Extremely Fine Gem, with 2001 P.F. certificate 37.00
- 297 ** Special Delivery Balance. Seven Mint N.H. stamps, Nos. E12, E14-E19, all are beautifully centered and rich color, Extremely Fine, E12 and E14 with 1998 P.F. certificates....

 (Photo Ex) 72.00

POSTAGE DUE







299 ** 1c Brown (J1). Mint N.H., choice centering, bright shade, fresh and Extremely Fine, scarce in Mint N.H. condition, with 1994 P.F. certificate, Scott Retail as hinged .. 57.00



302 ★★ 5c Brown (J4). Mint N.H., perfectly centered with well-balanced margins, bright shade and detailed impression on crisp paper

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. EASILY ONE OF THE FINEST EXAMPLES OF THIS STAMP IN EXISTENCE. THIS IS ONE OF THE MOST DIFFICULT OF ALL POSTAGE DUE STAMPS TO OBTAIN IN CENTERED, MINT NEVER-HINGED CONDITION.

With 1992 and 2000 P.F. certificates. Scott Retail as hinged...... 575.00



303 ★★ 1c Red Brown (J15). Mint N.H., almost perfect centering with wide margins, brilliant color and proof-like impression, Extremely Fine, with 1997 P.F. certificate, Scott Retail as hinged 55.00



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304 ★★ 10c Red Brown (J19). Mint N.H., choice centering, absolutely stunning shade on bright paper

EXTREMELY FINE. A RARE AND SUPERB MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE $10\text{-}\mathrm{CENT}$ 1884 RED BROWN POSTAGE DUE. A STAMP OF TREMENDOUS VISUAL APPEAL AND PROBABLY ONE OF THE FINEST IN EXISTENCE.

305 ** 30c Red Brown (J20). Mint N.H., rich color on bright paper, fresh and Extremely Fine, with 1995 P.F. certificate, Scott Retail as hinged 165.00



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306 ★★ 50c Red Brown (J21). Mint N.H., almost perfectly centered, intense color and sharp impression on bright paper

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. THIS EASILY QUALIFIES AS ONE OF THE FINEST MINT NEVERHINGED EXAMPLES OF THE $50\text{-}CENT\ 1884\ POSTAGE\ DUE\ IN\ EXISTENCE.$

A search of major auction catalogues, including Zoellner, Weisman and Cole, failed to turn up any other Mint N.H. examples of this stamp.



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311 ★★ 50c Bright Claret (J28). Mint N.H., mathematically perfect centering with wide and even margins, beautiful rich color and sharp proof-like impression on bright paper

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. AN OUTSTANDING EXAMPLE OF THE 50-CENT BRIGHT CLARET POSTAGE DUE IN THE FINEST CONDITION ATTAINABLE..

To illustrate the rarity of this stamp in well-centered Never-Hinged condition, the Zoellner collection's J28 (ex Clifford Cole) was hinged. Years of searching failed to turn up a copy containing the necessary requirements of superior centering and color combined with gum. The stamp offered here is truly remarkable.



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312 ★★ 2c Vermilion (J30). Mint N.H., vibrant color on bright white paper

VERY FINE AND CHOICE. A SCARCE MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE 2-CENT VERMILION 1894 POSTAGE DUE ISSUE.

At the time the Bureau of Engraving and Printing issued this stamp they were struggling with problems with adequately perforating the stamps. That makes this issue, as well as the regular issues (Scott 246-263), often difficult to find in such choice condition. This stamp should be considered a condition rarity.



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314 ** 3c Deep Claret (J33). Mint N.H., intense color and proof-like impression, perfectly centered with balanced margins

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A SUPERB EXAMPLE OF THIS DIFFICULT UNWATERMARKED FIRST BUREAU ISSUE POSTAGE DUE.

With 1997 and 2001 P.F. certificates....... 280.00



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- 315 ** 1c, 2c Deep Claret (J38-J39). Mint N.H., beautiful centering and color, both are Extremely Fine, with 2000 or 2001 P.F. certificate.....(Photo Ex) 30.00
- 316 ** 3c Deep Claret (J40). Mint N.H., perfectly centered, fresh color and detailed impression, Extremely Fine Gem, with 1999 P.F. certificate...... 100.00







- 319 ★★ 1c Deep Claret (J45). Mint N.H., perfectly centered with wide margins at sides, rich color and proof-like impression, Extremely Fine Gem, with 2000 P.F. certificate............ 55.00
- 320 ★★ 5c Deep Claret (J48). Mint N.H., intense shade and impression, enormous margins all around, Extremely Fine Gem, a huge stamp, with 2000 P.F. certificate 165.00
- 321 ** 10c Deep Claret (J49). Mint N.H., choice centering with well-balanced margins, rich color and proof-like impression, Extremely Fine, with 1996 P.F. certificate....... 200.00



322 ★★ 50c Deep Claret (J50). Mint N.H., well-proportioned margins, brilliant color on bright white paper, detailed impression

EXTREMELY FINE. THE 50-CENT PERF 12 SINGLE-LINE WATERMARK POSTAGE DUE IS A DIFFICULT STAMP TO FIND IN MINT NEVER-HINGED CONDITION.





324 ** 2c Vermilion (J53b). Mint N.H., enormous margins on three sides, beautiful color, Extremely Fine example of this shade variety, with 1998 P.F. certificate 90.00



325 ★★ 3c Carmine Lake (J54). Mint N.H., beautiful rich color and detailed impression, wellcentered

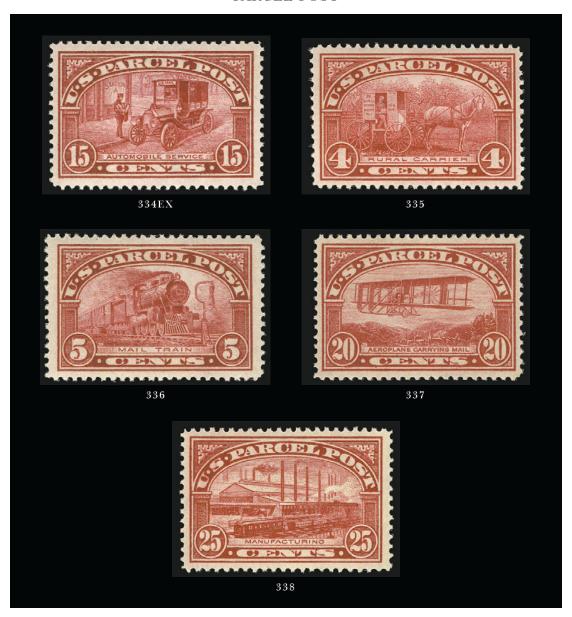
EXTREMELY FINE AND CHOICE EXAMPLE OF THE 3-CENT CARMINE LAKE POSTAGE DUE. AN EXCEEDINGLY DIFFICULT STAMP TO FIND IN MINT NEVER-HINGED CONDITION.

To underscore the scarcity of this stamp in Mint N.H. condition, the Zoellner collection contained a lightly hinged copy. Years of searching failed to uncover a Mint N.H. stamp with suitable centering for his collection.



- 333 ★★ 50c Carmine (J76). Mint N.H., extra wide margins at top and bottom, brilliant color, natural gum skip at top, Very Fine and choice, with 1997 P.F. certificate....................... 250.00

PARCEL POST



- 334 ★★ 1c-15c Parcel Post (Q1-Q3, Q6-Q7). Mint N.H., all have huge margins, rich color, Very Fine-Extremely Fine, each with 1996 or 1997 P.F. certificate.....(Photo Ex) 260.00
- 336 ★★ 5c Parcel Post (Q5). Mint N.H., gigantic margins all around, gorgeous color and proof-like impression, Extremely Fine Gem, a superb stamp, with 1997 P.F. certificate . 60.00

339 ★★ 50c Parcel Post (Q10). Mint N.H., extra wide margins, brilliant color and crisp impression, Extremely Fine Gem, with 1997 P.F. certificate...... 500.00



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341 ** \$1.00 Parcel Post (Q12). Mint N.H., perfectly centered with huge margins all around, intense color and proof-like impression

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A SUPERB MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE \$1.00 PARCEL POST STAMP.

With 1997 P.F. certificate...... 625.00



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- 342 ** 1c-25c Parcel Post Postage Due (JQ1-JQ5). Mint N.H., choice centering, rich colors, Very Fine-Extremely Fine set, with 1996, 1997 or 1998 P.F. certificate......................(Photo Ex) 702.00
- 343 ** 10c-25c Special Handling (QE1-QE4). Mint N.H., each has enormous margins, Extremely Fine Gems(Photo Ex) 45.00

BALANCE LOTS

344 ★★	Balance of Regular Issues of the Piedmont Collection. 1902-34, 171 Mint N.H. stamps, incl. Nos. 300, 314, 343-347, 448, 450, 481-484, 486 (single and joint line pair), 528B, 532, 534, 535, 538, 542, 543, 551-564, 569-570, 581-588, 590-591, 614-616, 617-619, 620-621, 622-623, 656 joint line pair, 704-715, 730, 731, 735, 750-751, several qualify as Jumbo copies, all are remarkably fresh VERY FINE TO EXTREMELY FINE. AS MANY COLLECTORS KNOW, THESE LOWER-VALUE
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Lot#	Realized														
1	270	44	325	87	450	130	1,600	174	2,300	217	220	260	170	304	2,900
2	220	45	325	88	450	131	525	175	850	218	500	261	200	305	300
3	525	46	290	89	2,600	132	4,000	176	110	219	325	262	375	306	4,500
4	900	47	325	90	6,750	133	2,500	177	2,000	220	230	263	230	307	100
5	1,000	48	450	91	1,150	134	3,250	178	800	221	3,250	264	1,300	308	260
6	1,150	49	375	92	4,750	135	125	179	950	222	1,900	265	500	309	425
7	3,750	50	475	93	500	136	170	180	350	223	230	266	1,700	310	1,250
8	4,250	51	1,700	94	400	137	210	181	2,400	224	110	267	135	311	2,600
9	9,000	52	4,500	95	1,400	138	190	182	5,250	225	115	268	425	312	2,400
10	220	53	150	96	350	139	400	183	475	226	115	269	325	313	220
11	100	54	900	97	550	140	325	184	210	227	170	270	210	314	1,600
12	210	55	700	98	400	141	400	185	210	228	210	271	700	315	325
13	300	56	950	99	475	142	500	186	325	229	160	272	325	316	400
14	500	57	750	100	280	143	350	187	200	230	250	273	350	317	425
15	850	58	3,500	101	950		270	188	2,800	ł		274	140	318	675
16	160	59	3,750	102	2,500		170	189	650	232	125	275	105	319	230
17	335	60	4,500	103	3,500	146	650	190		233	375	276	120	320	900
18	400	61	675	1	1,400	147	1,050	191	425	234	220	277	140	321	525
19	425	62	850	105	1,400	148	950	192	450	235	950	278	65	322	5,500
20	800	63	1,600	106	160	149	2,600	193	550	236	450	279	200	323	450
21	425	64	1,100	107	100	150	260	194	220	237	1,500	280	100	324	200
22	375	65	4,000	108	325	151	105	195	425	238	1,500	281	200	325	3,500
23	1,300		5,250	109	475	152	210	196	700	239	230	282	475	326	500
24	3,250	67	3,750	110	675	153	350	197	1,200	ł	140	283	525	327	850
25	2,100	68	5,750	111	210		220	198	12,000	241	400	284	1,600	328	1,050
26	3,000	69	4,500	ł	450		2,100	199	5,500	242	160	285	2,100	329	575
27	7,500	70	425	113	650		700	200	2,900	243	190	286	1,300	ł	300
28	700	71		114	1,250			201	1,050	ł		287	1,100	ł	350
29	220		6,250	ł	130			202	625	ł		288	4,500	ł	325
30	270		4,500	ł	110		3,000	ł	50,000	ł	4,750	ł	425	ł	270
31	15,500		37,500	ł	270		3,500	ł		247		290		334	525
32	13,500		4,250	ł		162	1,600	ł		248	19,000			335	250
33	375			119		163	10,500	ł		249		292		336	325
34	200			120		164		207		250		293		337	600
35	290		125	ł		165	1,100	ł		251	2,700			338	350
36	385			122		166		209		252		296		339	850
37	850			123		167		210		253		297		340	450
38	290			124	1,800			211	10,000	ł		298		341	1,375
39	230			125		169		212	17,000	•		299	1,700	ł	1,200
40	800			126		170	1,050	ł		256		300	1,050	t	210
41	290		1,600	ł	350	1		214		257		301		344	4,000
42	130			128		172		215		258		302	2,600	i i	700
43	625	86	1,500	129	550	173	400	216	350	259	65	303	230		