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United States Errors and Plate Blocks



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THE SADDLEBACK COLLECTION OF UNITED STATES ERRORS AND PLATE BLOCKS

COLUMBIAN ISSUE



1 P 1c-\$5.00 Columbian, Plate Proofs on Card (230P4-245P4). Large margins to clear, intense colors and impressions, Fine-Very Fine set.....(Photo Ex) 1,435.00

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5 ★★⊞ **4c Columbian (233).** Mint N.H. bottom imprint, plate no. 16 and letter "D" block of eight, brilliant color on crisp paper, well-centered throughout

VERY FINE AND CHOICE. A BEAUTIFUL MINT NEVER-HINGED PLATE BLOCK OF EIGHT OF THE 4-CENT COLUMBIAN ISSUE.



6 * 4c Columbian, Error of Color (233a). Disturbed original gum, deep rich color in the more intense of the two shades, wide margins for this difficult issue, light diagonal crease at bottom

VERY FINE APPEARING EXAMPLE OF THE 4-CENT COLUMBIAN ERROR OF COLOR.

The 4c Columbian color error was caused by the use of a wrong batch of ink, and spectrographic analysis has shown that the blue inks of the 4c error and 1c Columbian have the same components.

Stamps from at least two panes reached collectors, and the few cancelled examples indicate that stamps used by the public came from other panes. It is likely that a number of full sheets were printed using the wrong ink, and most of the stamps have simply been lost to philately.



7 ★★⊞ 5c Columbian (234). Mint N.H. top imprint, plate no. 6 and letter "B" block of eight, bright color and detailed impression, usual light natural gum bends

FINE-VERY FINE MINT NEVER-HINGED PLATE BLOCK OF EIGHT OF THE 5-CENT COLUMBIAN ISSUE.



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10 ★★⊞ 10c Columbian (237). Mint N.H. top imprint, plate no. 101 and letter "Y" block of eight, radiant color on bright paper, usual light natural gum bends

FINE. A SCARCE MINT NEVER-HINGED PLATE BLOCK OF EIGHT OF THE $10\text{-}\mathrm{CENT}$ COLUMBIAN ISSUE



11 ** 15c Columbian (238). Mint N.H. bottom imprint, plate no. 58 and letter "M" block of eight, brilliant color and detailed impression, beautiful centering throughout

EXTREMELY FINE. A MAGNIFICENT MINT NEVER-HINGED PLATE BLOCK OF EIGHT OF THE 15-CENT COLUMBIAN ISSUE. EASILY ONE OF THE FINEST IN EXISTENCE. THIS IS AN EXTREMELY DIFFICULT PLATE BLOCK TO OBTAIN IN SUCH WONDERFUL MINT NEVERHINGED CONDITION.



12 ★⊞ **30c Columbian (239).** Bottom imprint, plate no. 59 and letter "N" block of eight, original gum, top stamps small h.r., bottom stamps Mint N.H., deep rich color, usual natural gum bends, small tear in selvage at bottom right

FINE-VERY FINE. A SCARCE PLATE BLOCK OF EIGHT OF THE 30-CENT COLUMBIAN ISSUE.



13 ★⊞ **50c Columbian (240).** Bottom imprint, plate no. 77 and letter "S" block of eight, original gum, **bottom stamps Mint N.H.,** top stamps lightly hinged, deep rich color and proof-like impression, choice centering

VERY FINE. A RARE PLATE BLOCK OF EIGHT OF THE 50-CENT COLUMBIAN ISSUE. A HIGHLY DESIRABLE CLASSIC COMMEMORATIVE PLATE BLOCK.

A review of our computerized records shows that we have offered the following three plate blocks over the past 13 years, which varied widely in condition: 1) Mint N.H. corner block of ten, realized \$42,500 hammer in our Sale 836; 2) Bottom block of eight, disturbed original gum and Fine-Very Fine centering, realized \$5,250 hammer in our Sale 891; and 3) Bottom block of six, realized \$16,500 hammer in our Sale 837.







16 ★⊞ \$2.00 Columbian (242). Right imprint block of four, original gum, lightly hinged, detailed impression, bright color

FINE-VERY FINE. AN ATTRACTIVE SOUND ORIGINAL-GUM BLOCK OF FOUR OF THE \$2.00 COLUMBIAN ISSUE WITH IMPRINT AT RIGHT.



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17 ★⊞ \$3.00 Columbian (243). Block of four, slightly disturbed original gum, h.r. at top, deep rich color and proof-like impression, choice centering throughout

EXTREMELY FINE. A BEAUTIFUL AND SCARCE BLOCK OF THE \$3.00 COLUMBIAN ISSUE.



18 ★⊞ \$4.00 Columbian (244). Block of four, original gum, lightly hinged, bright color on crisp paper

FINE-VERY FINE. A BEAUTIFUL ORIGINAL-GUM BLOCK OF FOUR OF THE \$4.00 COLUMBIAN ISSUE.



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19 ★⊞ \$5.00 Columbian (245). Block of four with selvage at right, slightly disturbed original gum, intense shade and impression, choice centering throughout

VERY FINE. A SCARCE BLOCK OF FOUR OF THE \$5.00 COLUMBIAN ISSUE

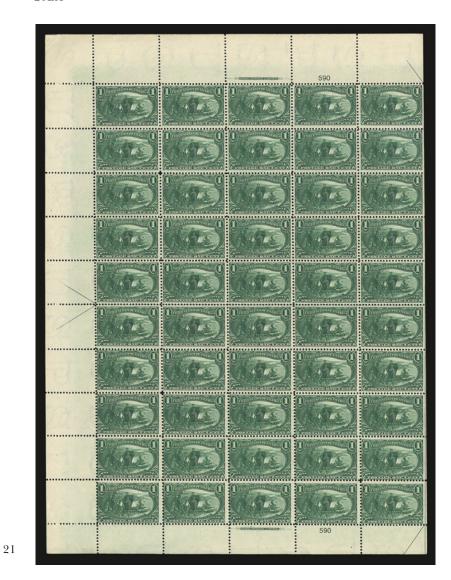
TRANS-MISSISSIPPI ISSUE

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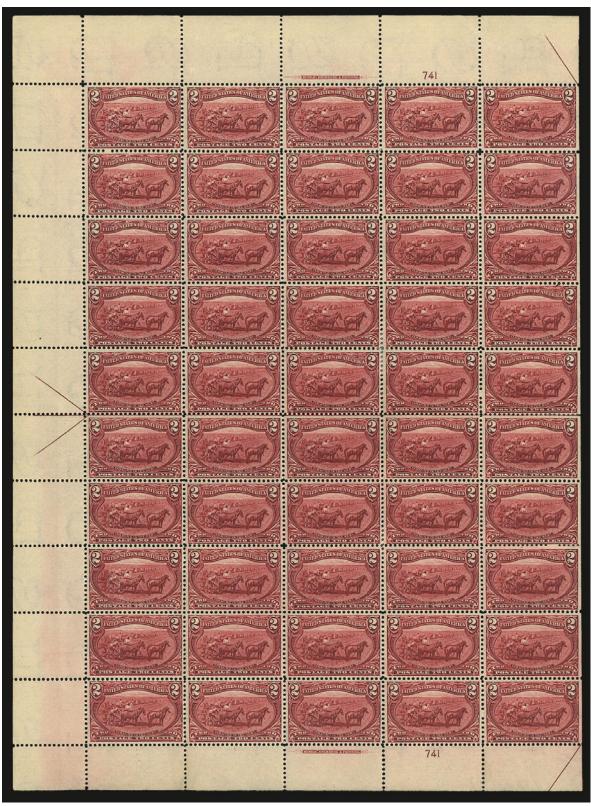


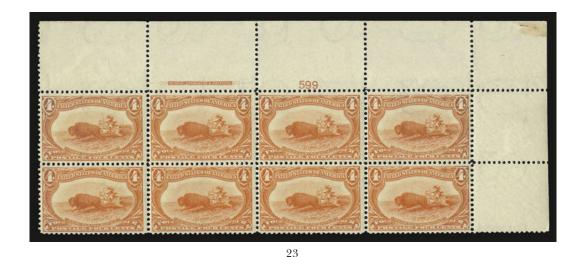
1c-\$2.00 Trans-Mississippi, Bi-color Die Essays on India (285-E8a-293-E7a). Complete set of "normal" bi-color proofs as listed in Scott, each 62 x 50mm die sunk on card cut to size, fresh and Very Fine, a bright and fresh set of these gorgeous bi-color essays, the concept of bi-colored printing was abandoned due to demands on the BEP for revenue stamps to finance the 1898 Spanish-American War, Scott Retail for the nine listed essays...... (Photo Ex) 3,125.00

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21 ★★⊞ 1c Trans-Mississippi (285). Pane of 50 with imprint and plate no. 590 at top and bottom and selvage at left, natural s.e. at right, Mint N.H., upper half includes some stamps with choice centering and a Fine-Very Fine plate block, bottom Good-Fine, a lovely intact





23 ★★⊞ **4c Trans-Mississippi (287).** Mint N.H. top right corner imprint and plate no. 599 block of eight, vibrant color, fresh and Fine, Scott Retail as plate no. block of six and two



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26 ★⊞ 50c Trans-Mississippi (291). Bottom imprint and plate no. 603 block of four, original gum, lightly hinged, rich color and proof-like impression, unusually choice centering, slight crease in selvage only

VERY FINE-EXTREMELY FINE. A BEAUTIFUL AND RARE ORIGINAL-GUM PLATE BLOCK OF FOUR OF THE 50-CENT TRANS-MISSISSIPPI ISSUE. SCARCE WITH SUCH CHOICE CENTERING.

The 50c Trans-Mississippi issue is scarce as a plate block. We have only offered one plate block of six and one other plate block of four since keeping computerized records. 14,000.00



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\$1.00 Trans-Mississippi (292). Top imprint and plate no. 606 block of six, original gum, slight disturbance from hinge removal, well-centered, excellent impression, reduced top margin, few rejoined perfs, couple faint thins in previously hinged areas and tiny repaired tear in corner of bottom right stamp

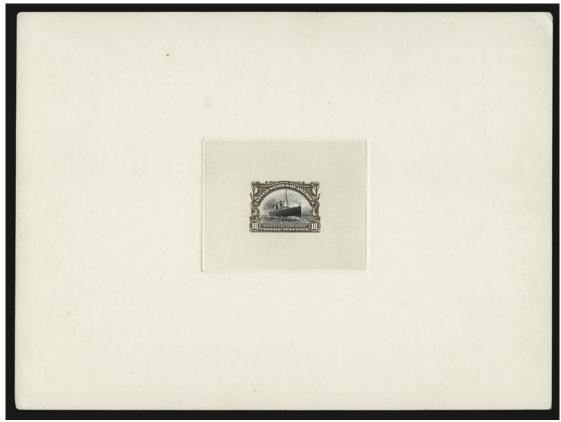
VERY FINE APPEARANCE. AN EXTREMELY RARE PLATE NUMBER BLOCK OF SIX OF THE \$1.00 TRANS-MISSISSIPPI ISSUE.



29 ★⊞ \$2.00 Trans-Mississippi (293). Bottom imprint and plate no. 613 block of four, original gum, very lightly hinged, bright shade and detailed impression

FINE-VERY FINE. AN EXCEEDINGLY RARE WIDE BOTTOM PLATE BLOCK OF FOUR OF THE \$2.00 Trans-mississippi issue. This is one of the rarest of all commemorative plate blocks.

PAN-AMERICAN ISSUE



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30 P 1c-10c Pan-American, Large Die Proofs on India (294P1-299P1). Each approx. 62 x 50mm die sunk on 8 x 6 in. card, blue control nos. on back (15758, 16255, 16480, 16791, 17031, 17096), 4c usual slight oxidation in frame, 10c toned on back of card, a few minor bends or creases at corners, otherwise Very Fine set(Photo Ex) 3,450.00



31 P **1c-10c Pan-American, Roosevelt Small Die Proofs (294P2-299P2).** Each expertly removed from original gray card backing, light overall toning, 2c and 10c tiny pinholes (as do many), Very Fine set, only 85 were produced(**Photo Ex**) 3,450.00







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32 ★⊞ 1c-10c Pan-American (294-299). Complete set of imprint and plate no. blocks of ten, 2c and 4c from bottom with two plate nos., others from either top left or top right with corner selvage (only the 2c lacks corner selvage), 1c and 10c Mint N.H., others lightly hinged with some stamps Mint N.H., few small flaws mostly confined to selvage

FINE-VERY FINE. A SCARCE AND DESIRABLE COMPLETE SET OF IMPRINT AND PLATE NUMBER BLOCKS OF TEN OF THE PAN-AMERICAN ISSUE.



33 * 1c Pan-American, Center Inverted (294a). Slightly disturbed original gum (described as previously hinged on certificate), deep rich colors, tiny corner crease at bottom left and small stain spot

FINE APPEARING EXAMPLE OF THIS MAJOR 20TH CENTURY INVERT ERROR.

The 1c Pan-American Inverts were found in at least four different post offices around the country, soon after release of the issue in May 1901. Between 600 and 700 are likely to have been issued.



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35 ★ 2c Pan-American, Center Inverted (295a). Barely disturbed original gum, superbly centered with wide balanced margins, bright colors and clear impressions of vignette and frame

EXTREMELY FINE. ONE OF THE FINEST ORIGINAL-GUM EXAMPLES OF THE 2-CENT PAN-AMERICAN INVERT.

The 2c is the rarest of the three Pan-American Inverts. It is surmised that approximately 200 were issued through the post office, with two distinct shades known. Estimates of surviving examples range from an early count (1945) of 55 unused and 2-3 used to the 1998 Datz estimate of 150 unused, 3-5 used and a block of four intact. Our Levi records contain the intact block (4), reconstructed block (4), 64 unused singles and 6 used singles, for a total of 72 unused and 6 used. Many of the unused singles have disturbed gum or no gum, and/or are off center to top or top left. This Extremely Fine sound stamp with original gum that is only slightly disturbed from hinge removal is among the finest known examples.

Scott footnote states "Almost all unused copies of No. 295a have partial or disturbed gum. Values are for examples with full original gum that is slightly disturbed." 45,000.00

LOUISIANA PURCHASE ISSUE



36 ★★⊞ 1c Louisiana Purchase (323). Mint N.H. bottom right corner imprint, plate no. 2130 and half arrow block of ten, natural s.e. at left, deep rich color and detailed impression, Very Fine and choice, a beautiful block, Scott Retail as plate block of six and four singles 780.00



2c Louisiana Purchase (324). Bottom left corner imprint, plate no. 2154 and half arrow block of ten, natural s.e. at right, three stamps at top small h.r., brilliant color, crisp impression, Very Fine, Scott Retail as hinged plate block, three Mint N.H. and one



3c Louisiana Purchase (325). Top right corner imprint, plate no. 2103 and half arrow block of ten, natural s.e. at left, stamps Mint N.H., lightly hinged in selvage above Positions 2 and 5, deep rich color, detailed impression, Very Fine and choice, Scott Retail as Mint N.H. stamps with no premium for the position or the larger multiple. 2,590.00





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40 ★★⊞ 10c Louisiana Purchase (327). Mint N.H. top left corner imprint, plate no. 2105 and half arrow block of ten, natural s.e. at right, radiant color, crisp impression, top left stamp tiny toned spot at left

FINE-VERY FINE. A BEAUTIFUL AND RARE PLATE BLOCK OF TEN OF THE 10-CENT LOUISIANA PURCHASE ISSUE. SCARCE WITH SUCH WIDE SELVAGE.

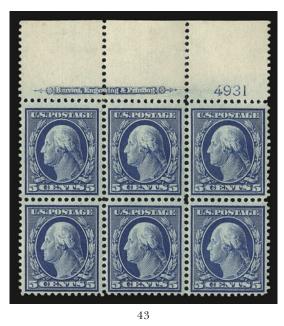
Scott Retail as Mint N.H. plate block and four Mint N.H. singles................ 5,450.00

1908-09 ISSUE



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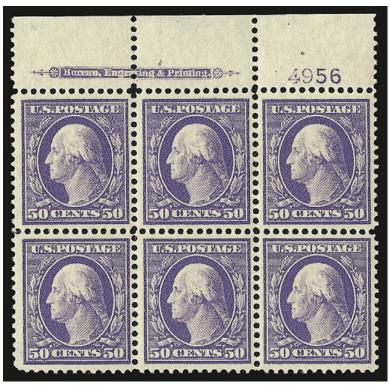




- 46 ★⊞ **10c Yellow (338).** Top imprint and plate no. 4943 block of six with wide selvage, lightly hinged at top center, others Mint N.H., vibrant color, fresh and Fine-Very Fine 800.00







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49 ★★⊞ 50c Violet (341). Mint N.H. top imprint and plate no. block of six, deep rich color, remarkably choice centering throughout, fresh an intact perfs

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. THIS IS PROBABLY THE FINEST MINT NEVER-HINGED PLATE BLOCK OF THE 50-CENT 1909 DOUBLE-LINE WATERMARKED WASHINGTON ISSUE IN EXISTENCE. A REMARKABLE SHOWPIECE.

Scott 341 was produced from only one plate, No. 4956. It produced plate blocks at top and bottom. A search of past auction catalogues has failed to find an equal. to the plate block offered here



\$1.00 Violet Brown (342). Top imprint and plate no. 4957 block of six, lightly hinged in selvage only, stamps Mint N.H., rich color, perfectly centered, one toned perf tip, sealed

EXTREMELY FINE APPEARANCE. A BEAUTIFUL PLATE NUMBER BLOCK OF THE \$1.00 WASHINGTON.

Excluding the Bluish Paper issue, this is one of the rarest of the Washington-Franklin plate blocks. The Bureau experienced difficulty with paper shrinkage while printing the 1908 Issue, and the Bluish Paper experiment of 1909 was part of an effort to correct the problem. The 1908 high-denomination stamps are difficult to find well-centered, and plate blocks are extremely rare in higher grades.

selvage tear just above imprint

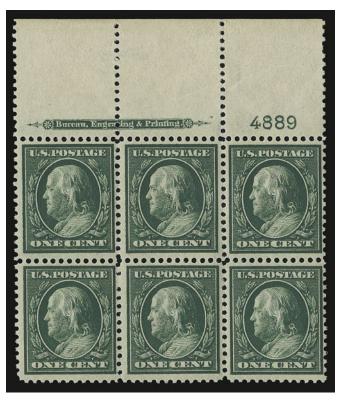




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- 51 **\operate 1c-5c 1908-09 Issue, Imperforate (343-347). Top imprint and plate no. blocks of six, first four Mint N.H. and with wide selvage, 5c lightly hinged, 3c and 4c minor flaws in selvage only, Very Fine(Photo Ex) 985.00
- 52 ** 5c Blue, Imperforate (347). Left, right and bottom imprint and plate no. 4931 blocks of six, lightly hinged, rich color, large margins, one stamp in right plate small scuff, otherwise Very Fine(Photo Ex) 825.00

BLUISH PAPER





54 ** 2c Carmine, Bluish (358). Mint N.H. top imprint and plate no. 4863 block of six, brilliant color and detailed impression on nicely blued paper, unusually choice centering throughout

EXTREMELY FINE. A GORGEOUS MINT NEVER-HINGED PLATE BLOCK OF THE 2-CENT BLUISH PAPER ISSUE.

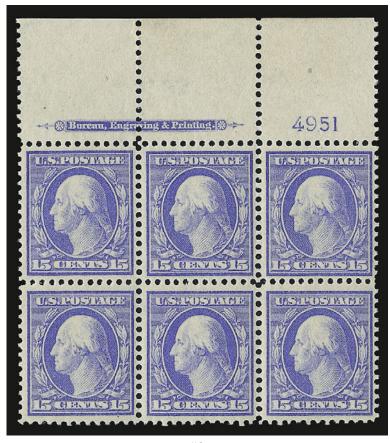
With 1990 P.F. certificate. 1,800.00



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55 ★⊞ 3c Deep Violet, Bluish (359). Block of four, lightly hinged, rich color on deeply blued paper, long and full perforations all around

FINE-VERY FINE. A SCARCE BLOCK OF FOUR OF THE 3-CENT BLUISH PAPER ISSUE



56 ** Isc Pale Ultramarine, Bluish (366). Mint N.H. plate no. block of six with full top selvage, incredibly well-centered on deeply blued paper, lovely shade and detailed impression, remarkably fresh and intact, tiny natural inclusion in margin

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A GORGEOUS MINT NEVER-HINGED 15-CENT PLATE BLOCK ON BLUISH PAPER IN THE FINEST QUALITY ATTAINABLE. ONE OF THE RAREST 20TH CENTURY PLATE BLOCKS AND EXCEPTIONALLY RARE IN THIS CHOICE CONDITION.

We doubt that a finer example of this rare 15c Bluish Paper plate block exists. . 20,000.00





- 57 ★⊞ 2c Lincoln (367). Bottom imprint and plate no. 4978 block of six, stamps Mint N.H., small h.r. in selvage only, brilliant color, choice centering, Very Fine 200.00

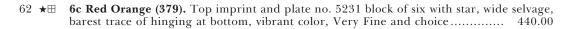
1910-11 ISSUE















64 ★★⊞ 10c Yellow (381). Mint N.H. top imprint and plate no. 5239 block of six with wide selvage, some overall oxidation, otherwise Very Fine, with 1993 P.S.E. certificate 2,250.00

PANAMA-PACIFIC ISSUE

65 P 1c-10c Panama-Pacific, Roosevelt Small Die Proofs (397P2-400P2). Expertly removed from original gray card backing, brilliant colors

VERY FINE AND CHOICE GROUP OF THE FOUR DENOMINATIONS OF THE PANAMA-PACIFIC ISSUE.



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66 ** 2c Panama-Pacific, "Varnish Ink" (398 var). Mint N.H., distinctive color and impression, fresh and Very Fine example of this unusual printing variety, the ink must have been mixed with a component that caused this distinctive variety, with 1995 P.S.E. certificate...... E. 500-750





58 ★⊞ 2c Panama-Pacific (398). Top plate no. 6322 block of six with wide selvage, lightly hinged on top center stamp only, rich color, fresh and Fine-Very Fine 350.00







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71 ★⊞ 10c Orange, Panama-Pacific (400A). Bottom plate no. 6135 block of six, lightly hinged, radiant color and intense impression

FINE-VERY FINE. A SCARCE AND ATTRACTIVE PLATE BLOCK OF THE 10-CENT ORANGE PERF 12 PANAMA-PACIFIC ISSUE. PROBABLY RARER THAN THE 10-CENT PERF 10 PLATE BLOCK.





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73 ★⊞ 10c Panama-Pacific, Perf 10 (404). Bottom plate no. 6130 block of six, single hinge mark on bottom center stamp, rich color and proof-like impression

1912-23 ISSUES





75 detail



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- 2c Carmine, Two Different Plate Nos. (406 var). Top plate no. block of six, with plate no. 5946 in selvage and plate no. 5954 in top margin, lightly hinged, Very Fine, unusual item, apparently two pieces of paper were fed into the press with one slightly misplaced so that only the plate no. printed (5954), the otherwise blank sheet of paper was then fed into the press again where it received the impressions of the stamps and plate no. 5946, ex Lilly................................. E. 750-1,000





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50c Violet (422). Top imprint, "A" and plate no. block of six with wide selvage, top row Mint N.H., bottom row lightly hinged, rich color on fresh paper, slight internal crease in top right stamp with a bit of offset ink on gum in same place

VERY FINE AND CHOICE. A BEAUTIFUL AND RARE 50-CENT PERF 12 DOUBLE-LINE WATERMARKED FRANKLIN PLATE BLOCK.



- 84 ★⊞ 1c Green, 2c Carmine (424-425).
 Right plate no. and "Coil Stamps"
 blocks of twelve, 1c few h.r., FineVery Fine(Photo Ex) 280.00
- 85 ★⊞ 3c Deep Violet (426). Top plate no. 6755 block of six with wide selvage, small h.r. at bottom center, deep rich color on bright paper, Fine-Very Fine, an attractive plate block 210.00

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89 ★⊞ **7c Black (430).** Top plate no. 6904 block of six, top center stamp lightly hinged, others Mint N.H., detailed impression, bright paper, Fine-Very Fine, Scott Retail as singles. 1,225.00











95 ★⊞ 50c Violet (440). Top plate no. 7057 block of six, five stamps Mint N.H., center stamp at bottom barely hinged, beautiful color, remarkably fresh and intact, each stamp is perfectly centered

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. THIS IS PROBABLY THE FINEST PLATE BLOCK OF THE 50-CENT FRANKLIN (SCOTT 440) IN EXISTENCE.



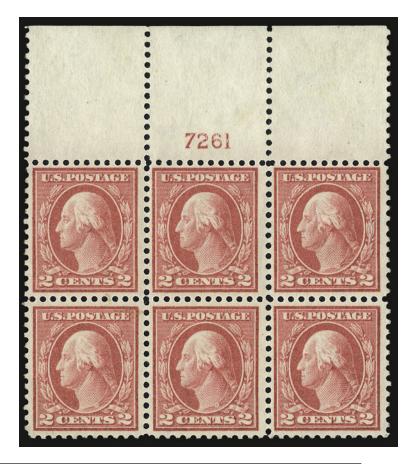
96 ★⊞ \$1.00 Violet Black (460).

Top imprint, plate no. 5782
and "A" block of six, lightly hinged on top center stamp, deep rich color and intense impression, natural staple hole in selvage at top left

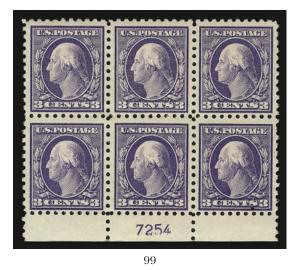
FRESH AND FINE. A RARE PLATE BLOCK OF THE PERF 10 DOUBLE-LINE WATER-MARK \$1.00 FRANKLIN, SCOTT 460.

With 1991 P.S.E. certificate 12,500.00

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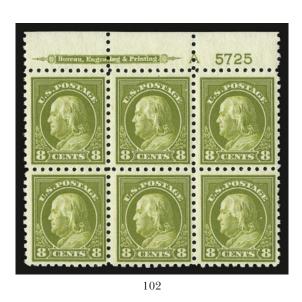


- 99 (★)⊞ **3c Violet (464).** Bottom plate no. 7254 block of six, gum is either disturbed or regummed ("as is"), Fine centering and scarce...... E. 200-300





- 101 ★★⊞ 6c Red Orange (468). Mint N.H. top plate no. 7137 block of six, bright color but with hint of oxidation, bottom right stamp small natural gum skip, Fine-Very Fine 2,500.00









104 ★★⊞ 11c Dark Green (473). Mint N.H. top plate no. 7504 block of six, rich color on bright paper, light natural gum bend at top center, fresh and Fine-Very Fine......................... 625.00





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107 ★⊞ \$1.00 Violet Black (478). Top imprint, plate no. 5782 and "A" block of six, very lightly hinged, intense shade and impression, choice centering for this difficult plate block

FINE-VERY FINE. AN INCREDIBLY RARE PLATE BLOCK OF THE \$1.00 PERF 10 UNWATERMARKED FRANKLIN ISSUE.

Our search of auction catalogues of major plate block collections has yielded precious few examples. Todd had two with full top selvage, and Wampler had one hinged with narrow bottom selvage. The Silver Lake collection contained a Mint N.H. top plate block, which may be unique in that condition.



108 ★⊞ \$2.00 Dark Blue (479). Top plate no. 8015 block of six, top left stamp and bottom row Mint N.H., others lightly hinged, deep rich color and detailed impression, tiny natural inclusion in bottom center stamp, slight crease in bottom left stamp

FINE-VERY FINE CENTERING. A BRILLIANT AND FRESH PLATE NUMBER BLOCK OF THE \$2.00 MADISON PERF 10.



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\$5.00 Light Green (480). Wide top plate no. 8016 block of six, stamps are essentially Mint N.H. except for expert strengthening between perfs, fresh color on bright paper FINE-VERY FINE. AN EXCEEDINGLY RARE WIDE TOP PLATE BLOCK OF THE \$5.00 MARSHALL 1917 PERF 10 ISSUE.



110 ★★⊞ 5c Carmine, Imperforate, Error (485). Single error in block of nine, two 2c stamps at top h.r., two 2c stamps at bottom lightly hinged, other four 2c stamps and error stamp Mint N.H., wide margins

EXTREMELY FINE. A BEAUTIFUL EXAMPLE OF THE 5-CENT IMPERFORATE ERROR IN A BLOCK OF NINE WITH THE ERROR STAMP MINT NEVER-HINGED.

During the course of production of the normal 2c plate No. 7942, three positions were noted to be defective. The plate was returned 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 Perf 10, Imperforate and Perf 11 (Scott 467, 485 and 505). The imperforate is by far the rarest of the three.



111 ★⊞ 2c Deep Rose, Ty. Ia, Imperforate at Top (500 var). Top margin plate no. 10209 block of six, showing no trace of perforations between the top row and plate number, left stamps slightly glazed original gum from mount, other stamps Mint N.H., deep rich color, bottom right stamp natural carbon speck inclusion

VERY FINE. AN IMPORTANT AND VERY RARE 20TH CENTURY VARIETY. PROBABLY UNIQUE AS A PLATE BLOCK.

This perforation variety is footnoted in Scott. Examples have been used to create the rare Scott 482A by trimming and adding Schermack Type III perforations. This is the only plate block with the imperforate sheet margin known to us.

Ex Zoellner E. 4,000-5,000









115 ★⊞ 5c Rose, Error (505). Single error in block of nine, natural s.e. at top, two 2c lightly hinged, others and error Mint N.H., brilliant color, fresh and Very Fine 725.00



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117 ★★⊞ 6c Red Orange (506). Mint N.H. top plate no. 7828 block of six with wide selvage, radiant color except for some faint traces of oxidation, Very Fine 285.00

118 ★★⊞ 7c Black (507). Mint N.H. top plate no. 12562 block of six, intense shade and impression on bright paper, minor crease in selvage at top left, appears Very Fine 450.00









121 ★⊞ 10c Orange Yellow, 11c Light Green (510-511). Top plate no. blocks of six, 10c with wide selvage, 10c one stamp very lightly hinged, 11c stamps Mint N.H. and barely hinged in ungummed part of selvage, Very Fine and choice......(Photo Ex) 305.00

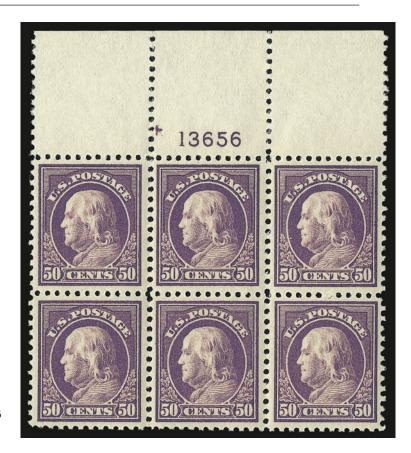
122 ★★⊞ 12c Claret Brown, 12c Brown Carmine (512, 512a). Mint N.H. top plate no. blocks of six, beautiful colors in the two distinct shades, latter with few small natural gum skips, Very Fine..................(Photo Ex) 450.00





124 ★⊞ 15c Gray (514). Top plate no. 12592 block of six, stamps Mint N.H., barest trace of what may be hinging in ungummed part of selvage, natural short gum at top, bright color, short perf in selvage at top right, otherwise Very Fine, Scott Retail as hinged.... 550.00





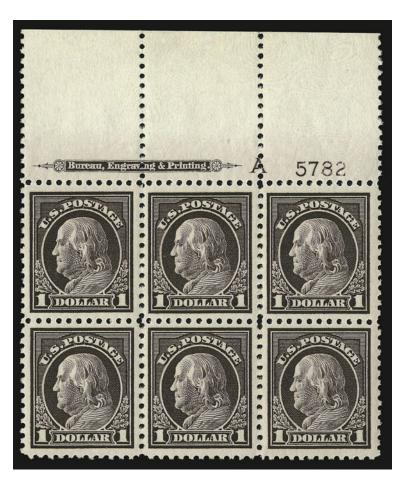
126 ★★⊞ 50c Red Violet (517).

Mint N.H. top plate no.
13656 block of six, deep dark shade, post-office fresh and intact, beautiful centering rarely seen on this plate block

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A SUPERB MINT NEVER-HINGED PLATE BLOCK IN THE FINEST ATTAINABLE CONDITION.

With 1999 P.F. certificate 2,550.00

126



127 $\star\star\boxplus$ \$1.00 Violet Brown (518). Mint N.H. top imprint,

Mint N.H. top imprint, plate no. 5782 and "A" block of six with wide selvage, deep rich color and proof-like impression on bright paper

FRESH AND EXTREMELY FINE PLATE BLOCK OF THE \$1.00 PERF 11 ISSUE, SCOTT 518. EASILY ONE OF THE FINEST IN EXISTENCE.



SIEGEL AUCTION GALLERIES

128 ★★⊞ 2c Carmine (519). Mint N.H. left margin imprint and plate no. 4818 block of six, fresh color and crisp impression

> FINE. A RARE MINT NEVER-HINGED PLATE BLOCK OF SCOTT 519.

> Many of the known plate blocks approximately 30-40 - have narrow selvage and are not nearly as wellcentered as this example.

> With 1982 P.F. certificate 6,500.00



129

\$2.00 Orange Red & Black (523). Top double plate no. and arrow block of twelve, lightly 129 ★⊞ hinged, deep rich colors and proof-like impressions, Position 2 natural pre-printing paperfold, few natural gum skips and bends

> FINE-VERY FINE. AN EXTREMELY RARE AND DESIRABLE PLATE NUMBER BLOCK OF THE 1918 \$2.00 ORANGE RED & BLACK. ONLY A HANDFUL OF PLATE BLOCKS EXIST, AND THIS LARGE MULTIPLE IS EVEN RARER AND MORE DESIRABLE.

> The \$2.00 and \$5.00 1918 Issue are the first bi-colored dollar-denominated postage stamps issued by the United States. Both were released just three months after the famous 1918 24c Inverted Jenny, but the early printings were issued in small quantities, since stocks of the 1902 \$2.00 and \$5.00 1917 issue were still on hand.

> According to Johl, the \$2.00 Orange Red & Black was a color error on the part of the Bureau of Engraving & Printing. The official description and order for the bi-color stamps specified "Red and Black" for the \$2.00. When subsequent printings appeared in 1920 and philatelists brought the matter to the attention of the Bureau, they were told "this stamp has always been this color" (Johl, p. 306). From studies of Bureau and Post Office records, it is clear that the originally-intended color was not issued until November 1920 (Scott 547), and that the earlier Orange Red stamps were mistakes. The quantity issued has been variously estimated at between 47,000 and 68,000...... 14,700.00



130 ★★⊞ \$5.00 Deep Green & Black (524). Mint N.H. top margin arrow and double plate no. block of eight, beautiful intensely deep color, one stamp has small natural gum skip

VERY FINE AND CHOICE. A SCARCE MINT NEVER-HINGED PLATE BLOCK OF THE FIRST BICOLORED \$5.00 STAMP ISSUED BY THE UNITED STATES.





131 ★⊞ 1c-2c 1918-20 Offset Issue (525-528, 528B). Top plate no. blocks of six, incl. second of No. 528 with monogram, most Mint N.H., No. 527 light gum creases, few trivial natural





133EX 134

- 133 ★⊞ 1c Green (531). Matched set of four plate no. 9817 blocks of six, large margins, right plate block Mint N.H., bright color, Very Fine......(Photo Ex) 520.00



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135 ★★⊞ 2c Carmine, Ty. V, Imperforate (533). Mint N.H. top plate no. 11260 block of six, huge margins, brilliant color

EXTREMELY FINE. A BEAUTIFUL MINT NEVER-HINGED PLATE BLOCK OF THE 2-CENT TYPE V IMPERFORATE OFFSET ISSUE.

This is surprisingly difficult to obtain in Mint N.H. condition from the top plate position. We have only offered one other since keeping computerized records. 1,800.00





136EX 137

- 136 ★⊞ **2c Carmine, Ty. Va, Imperforate (534).** Matched set of four plate no. 11433 blocks of six, large margins, left and bottom plates Mint N.H., radiant color, Very Fine and choice matched set(Photo Ex) 660.00



138EX



- 139 ★⊞ 1c-3c Rotary Perf 11 x 10 Issue (538, 540, 541). Four plate no. blocks of four, incl. two of 1c (one with star), the 2c imperforate between stamps and selvage, one 1c and 2c Mint N.H., Very Fine and choice group.................(Photo Ex) 935.00



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141 ★★⊞ \$2.00 Carmine & Black (547). Mint N.H. top double plate no. and arrow block of 24, intense shades and impressions, choice centering throughout, usual light natural gum skips and bends

EXTREMELY FINE. A MAGNIFICENT LARGE MULTIPLE CONTAINING A PLATE BLOCK OF THE \$2.00 CARMINE & BLACK BI-COLORED ISSUE. A GORGEOUS MULTIPLE IN TERMS OF COLOR, CENTERING, GUM AND OVERALL FRESHNESS.

Scott Retail as plate block and 16 singles. 12,280.00

1922 AND LATER ISSUES



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145 ★★⊞ 2c Carmine, Ty. I, "Long Ear" Recut (634 var). Two Mint N.H. blocks, one block of 25 with selvage at top and left and containing the "Long Ear" recut, Very Fine and choice, second is plate no. 21423 block of sixteen with one stamp showing "smiling" Washington, Very Fine and choice, the "Long Ear" recut comes from Position 34 from upper right pane of plate 20342(Photo Ex) E. 500-750



145EX







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149 (★)⊞ \$5.00 Red, Brown & Black (834a). Top double plate no. and arrow block of four, unused (no gum), beautifully centered, deep rich colors

EXTREMELY FINE. A RARE PLATE BLOCK OF THE \$5.00 PRESIDENTIAL IN THE RED BROWN AND BLACK COLOR.

Roland E. Rustad notes that only twelve plate blocks are recorded of this distinctive color error.



- 150 ★★⊞ 2c Jefferson, Silkote Paper (1033a). Mint N.H. block of four with selvage at left, brilliant color, pen "25061 Printed o" in selvage, Fine-Very Fine, with copy of 1999 A.P.S. certificate for block of 50 which shows where this block originated, Scott Retail as singles 2,000.00
- 152 ★★ 6c Hemisfair, White Omitted (1340a). Mint N.H., rich colors, Very Fine and choice, only 100 are reported, normal accompanies for comparison, with 1997 P.F. certificate 1,200.00
- 154 ★★ 10c Horse Racing, Blue (Horse Racing) Omitted (1528a). Mint N.H., bright colors, Very Fine and choice, normal accompanies for comparison, with 1995 P.F. certificate 825.00
- 155 ★★ 10c Energy Conservation, Orange and Green Omitted (1547b). Mint N.H. with selvage at right, Very Fine and choice, much nicer than usually found for this error.................. 550.00

- 158 ★★⊞ \$1.00 Candleholder, Tan, Orange & Yellow Omitted (1610b). Mint N.H. block of four, choice centering, fresh and Very Fine, also accompanied by three blocks of four incl. one normal, one normal with strong offset on back and one with plate no. and partly missing Brown at left and with flame shifted to bottom right, Scott Retail for 1610b only as singles...(Photo Ex) 1,100.00



159 ★★ \$1.00 Candle Holder, Intaglio Brown Color Inverted (1610c). Mint N.H., fresh colors and well-centered

VERY FINE AND CHOICE. A PRISTINE EXAMPLE OF THIS POPULAR MODERN ERROR.



162 ** \$2.40 Moon Landing, Black (engr.) Omitted (2419a). Mint N.H., bright colors, trace of few black ink specks, Very Fine, scarce 2,250.00







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165 ★★ 29c Love, Imperforate Vertically (2618a). Mint N.H. block of four with selvage at bottom, brilliant colors, wide margins, fresh and Extremely Fine, Scott Retail as two 29c Wonders of the Sea, Imperforate Block of Four (2866b). Mint N.H. with bottom left 166 ★★ corner margin with plate nos., brilliant colors, insignificant fingerprint on gum, Extremely Fine, scarce 1,500.00 29c Legends of the West, Recalled (2870). Two Mint N.H. panes of 20, light trace of fingerprint on gum, Very Fine.....(Photo Ex) 480.00 32c Recreational Sports, Yellow Omitted (2965c). Mint N.H. vertical strip of five with 168 ** plate nos. at top and bottom and selvage at left, brilliant colors, bottom two stamps with 32c Civil War, Se-Tenant Pane of 20, Imperforate (2975w). Mint N.H., Very Fine 1,500.00 169 ★★ 170 ★★⊞ 50c Jacqueline Cochran, Black (engr.) Omitted (3066a). Mint N.H. bottom right corner plate no. block of ten, radiant colors on bright paper, fresh and Extremely Fine, Scott 171 ★★ 32c 1996 Summer Olympics, Se-Tenant Pane of 20, Imperforate (3068u). Mint N.H., 172 ** 32c Georgia O'Keefe, Imperforate (3069a). Mint N.H. pane of 15, Very Fine. 1,250.00

AIR POST





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24c Carmine Rose & Blue, 1918 Air Post, Grounded Plane Variety (C3 var). Bottom selvage block of four, vignette shifted down exceeding the standard amount for classification as the Grounded Plane variety, pristine gum described by the P.F. as "previously hinged", an opinion with which both the P.S.E. and we (vehemently) disagree, bright fresh colors on brilliant paper, bottom left stamp with small light internal wrinkle harshly described by the P.F. as a crease

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A STUNNING BLOCK OF FOUR OF THE RARE GROUNDED PLANE VARIETY — EXTRAORDINARY BOTH FOR ITS CONDITION AND THE EXTREME DOWNWARD SHIFT OF THE PLANE VIGNETTE.

The true Grounded Plane stamps, in which the wheels of the plane break thru the top of "Cents", come from portions of three sheets. The discovery sheet was owned and broken up by J. Klemann of Nassau Stamp Company. A second sheet was discovered in 1946 and sold in the Thomas A. Matthews sale (H.R. Harmer, Nov. 4, 1964), where it was purchased by Georges A. Medawar, publisher of *Sanabria Airmail Catalogue*. In *Linn's Stamp News* of April 21, 1986, specialist Joseph R. Kirker Jr. published his research revealing a third source of this variety.

With 2003 P.F. and P.S.E. certificates E. 15,000-20,000



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177 ★ 24c Carmine Rose & Blue, Center Inverted (C3a). Position 38, bright and fresh, well-centered, barest trace of hinging

VERY FINE AND CHOICE. A REMARKABLY FRESH AND BEAUTIFULLY CENTERED EXAMPLE OF THE FAMOUS 1918 24-CENT INVERTED "JENNY". THIS STAMP IS ONE OF THE BETTER-CENTERED POSITIONS FROM THE DISCOVERY SHEET.

According to *Jenny* by George Amick (Amos Press, 1986), the original sheet of 100 Inverted "Jenny" stamps was purchased for \$24 by William T. Robey at the New York Avenue Branch Post Office window in Washington D.C., on May 14, 1918, one day after the stamp was first placed on sale at the main post office. On May 20, Robey sold his sheet for \$15,000 to Eugene Klein, a Philadelphia stamp dealer. Klein had already arranged to sell the sheet to Col. Edward H. R. Green for \$20,000. Colonel Green instructed Klein to divide the Inverted "Jenny" sheet into singles and blocks, and to sell all but a few key position blocks.

It is well-known among stamp specialists and professionals that examples of the Inverted "Jenny" come in different grades of freshness and condition. Many of the original 100 stamps were mistreated by collectors during the years, despite the stamps' rarity and value. Colonel Green himself allowed moisture to affect some of the stamps he retained. Other examples have become slightly toned from improper storage and climatic conditions. Hinge removal has caused thins and creases in numerous stamps, and a few have been "lost" to philately — or nearly so, as in the case of the copy swept up in a vacuum cleaner. This example is remarkable for its pristine state of preservation and for its centering, equalled by only a few stamps in the original sheet (almost all of the others have disturbed gum or faults).

Ex Stephen Brown and Oscar Lichtenstein. With 1978 P.F. certificate....... 275,000.00



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180 ★⊞ 24c Carmine, 1923 Air Post (C6).

Bottom plate no. 14840 block of six, bottom center stamp lightly hinged, others Mint N.H., small hr. and tear in selvage and few perf separations sensibly reinforced, bright color, Very Fine

appearance 2,050.00





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181 ★★⊞ 65c-\$2.60 Graf Zeppelin (C13-C15). Set of Mint N.H. top plate no. blocks of six, deep rich colors and proof-like impressions, choice centering throughout, very minor natural gum skips and bends

EXTREMELY FINE. A BEAUTIFUL SET OF MINT NEVER-HINGED PLATE NUMBER BLOCKS OF SIX OF THE 1930 GRAF ZEPPELIN ISSUE. ESPECIALLY DESIRABLE AND SCARCE AS A COMPLETE SET OF TOP PLATE BLOCKS.



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28	12,000	63	1,500	97	2,600	131	625	166	800
29	80,000	64	1,200	98	325	132	350	167	300
30	2,000	65	4,750	99	325	133	325	168	600
31	1,600	66	900	100	1,500	134	700	169	700
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