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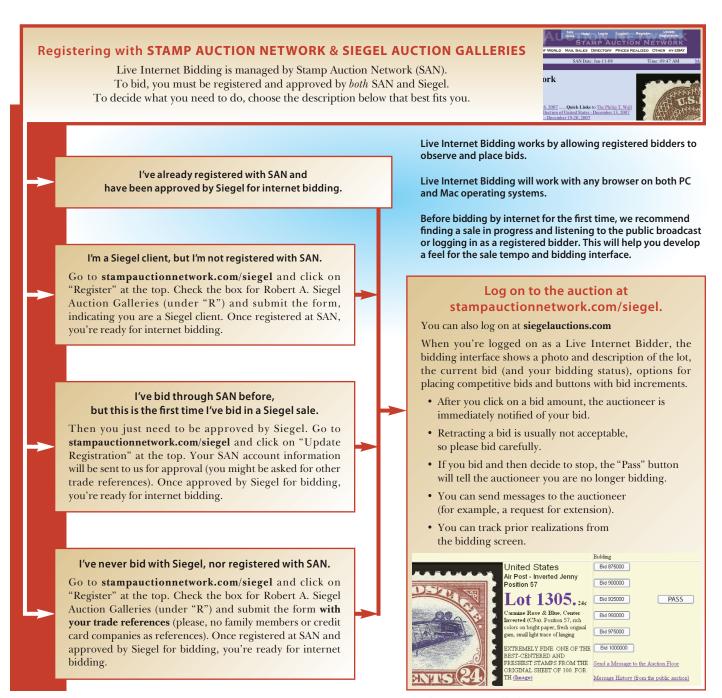
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# **Grades, Abbreviations and Values Used in Descriptions**

### **Grades and Centering**

Our descriptions contain detailed information and observations about each item's condition. We have also assigned grades to stamps and covers, which reflect our subjective assessment. For stamps, the margin width, centering and gum are described and graded according to generally-accepted standards (an approximate correlation to numeric grades is provided at right). Although we believe our grades are accurate, they are not always exactly aligned with third-party grading terms or standards for all issues. A lot may not be returned because a certification service grades a stamp lower than the grade stated in the description. Information from the P.S.E. Stamp Market Quarterly and P.S.E. Population Report<sup>SM</sup> is the most current available, but lots may not be returned due to errors or changes in statistics or data.

**Extremely Fine Gem (90-100):** The term "Gem" describes condition that is the finest possible for the issue. This term is equivalent to "Superb" used by grading services.

**Extremely Fine (80-90)**: Exceptionally large/wide margins or near perfect centering.

**Very Fine (70-85):** Normal-size margins for the issue and well-centered with the design a bit closer to one side. "Very Fine and choice" applies to stamps that have desirable traits such as rich color, sharp impression, freshness or clarity of cancel.

**Fine (60-70):** Smaller than usual margins or noticeably off center. Pre-1890 issues may have the design touched in places.

**Very Good (below 60):** Attractive appearance, but margins or perforations cut into the design.

#### **Guide to Gum Condition**

Gum Categories:	MINT N.H.		NO GUM			
	Mint Never Hinged Free from any disturbance	Lightly Hinged Faint impression of a removed hinge over a small area	Hinge Mark or Remnant Prominent hinged spot with part or all of the hinge remaining	Part o.g. Approximately half or more of the gum intact	Small part o.g. Approximately less than half of the gum intact	No gum Only if issued with gum
Catalogue Symbol:	**	*	*	*	*	(★)
PRE-1890 ISSUES		Pre-1890 stamps in these categories trade at a premium over Scott value				Scott "No Gum" Values thru No. 218
1890-1935 ISSUES	Scott "Never Hinged" Values for Nos. 219-771	` affected	e for "O.G." lue will be l by the f hinging)	effects of humidi half of the gum.	ty, climate or hingi The significance o	howing noticeable ng over more than of gum disturbance ne Original Gum
1935 TO DATE	Scott Value for "Unused"	categories depends on the degree of distur rarity and normal gum condition of the other variables affecting quality. For examp issued in tropical climates are expected to gum disturbance due to humidity, and such is not considered a negative factor in pricing			of disturbance, the n of the issue and or example, stamps exted to have some and such condition	

#### Covers

Minor nicks, short edge tears, flap tears and slight reduction at one side are normal conditions for 19th century envelopes. Folded letters should be expected to have at least one file fold. Light cleaning of covers and small mends along the edges are accepted forms of conservation. Unusual covers may have a common stamp with a slight crease or tiny tear. These flaws exist in virtually all 19th century covers and are not always described. They are not grounds for return.

# **Catalogue Values and Estimates**

Unless otherwise noted, the currently available *Scott Catalogue* values are quoted in dollars with a decimal point. Other catalogues are often used for foreign countries or specialized areas and are referred to by their common name: *Stanley Gibbons* (SG), *Dietz, American Air Mail Catalogue* (AAMC), *Michel, Zumstein, Facit*, etc. Estimates are indicated with an "E." and reflect our conservative valuation in dollars. Reserves will never exceed the low end of the estimate range; they will sometimes exceed Scott Catalogue value for stamps in Extremely Fine condition.

Because of certain pricing inconsistencies in the *Scott Catalogue*—for example, blocks that have no gum, the absence of premiums for Mint N.H. items, etc.—we cannot guarantee the accuracy of values quoted for multiples, specialized items and collection lots. We generally try to be conservative, but buyers may not return a lot because of a discrepancy in catalogue value due to Scott pricing inconsistencies.

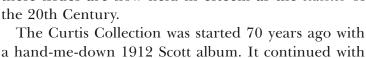
# Symbols and Abbreviations (see chart above for gum symbols)

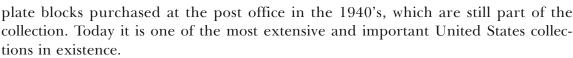
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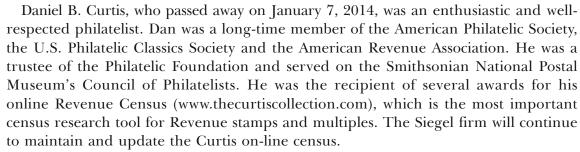
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THE CURTIS COLLECTION OF 20TH CENTURY stamps and covers is one of the most outstanding offerings of the United States post-classic philatelic era ever made. It spans the issues from the 1902-03 Bureau definitives to modern new issues, and includes superb graded singles, blocks and plate blocks, used singles and multiples, varieties, errors and many scarce issues on cover. The changes in stamp production due to technological innovations and wartime conditions are reflected in the myriad issues and special formats, such as coils, booklet panes and rotary press "waste" products. As a full century begins to separate us from this fascinating period of philately, these issues are now held in esteem as the *classics* of the 20th Century







Dan lived in Tampa, Florida, and spent 60 years in construction, development, power generation and banking in Florida and the Caribbean, while sandwiching in a 40-year career in the U.S. Army and Army Reserve.

Philately has lost a great collector and contributor to the hobby. His collections will be documented in a series of sales held by Siegel Auction Galleries, and the provenance "ex Curtis" will become a lasting tribute to the sharp eye and profound knowledge Dan used to build his philately legacy.

— SCOTT R. TREPEL

# **Note Regarding Values for PSE-Graded Stamps**

This sale contains many choice-quality stamps with graded PSE (or PF) certificates. For PSE-graded stamps we have quoted the *Stamp Market Quarterly* (SMQ) values, as well as the Scott Catalogue values, which are usually a small fraction of SMQ. Bidders should be aware that graded stamps rarely bring less than half of the SMQ value.



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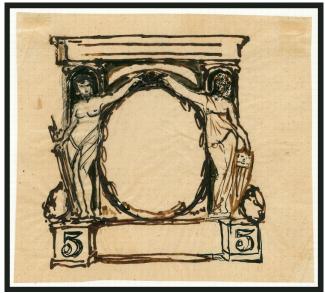
SESSION ONE (LOTS 1-291) MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2015, AT 1:30 P.M.

1902-03 ISSUE



1 front and back

1 E 1c, 10c 1902-03 Issue, Ink Drawing Essays on Manila (300-E3, 307-E1). Two-sided manila paper measuring 136 x 190mm, one side depicts ink drawing in blue of frame for 5c design which was adopted for the 1c, one side with drawing for 10c frame design, corner nicks do not affect any part of the design, Very Fine and unique, an outstanding double-sided hand-illustrated essay for the 1902-03 Bureau Issue, illustrated in Scott and priced as the combination 2,000.00



5c 1902-03 Issue, Pencil and Ink Drawing Essay on Onion Skin (304-E3). 107 x 110mm design on 141 x 128mm paper, hand-illustration depicting frame with partly nude figures (which were draped in the adopted design), other design differences but similar to the issued 5c stamp, bends as normal for this fragile paper, Very Fine and unique, attributed to Bureau designer Raymond Ostrander Smith, pictured in the Scott Catalogue ...... 3,250.00



3EX



4EX

- 2c Washington, Photographic Essays of Unaccepted Designs (301-E unlisted). Three, on approximately 45 x 50mm photo-sensitive paper, significant differences including lettering and use of laurels around portrait instead of flags on first two, third with flags but differences in lettering, one with slight crease above image, others with tiny pinholes, unnoticeable and otherwise Very Fine, extremely rare trio, ex Cheshire ......(Photo Ex) E. 500-750
- 4 S 1c-\$5.00 1902-03 Issue, Specimen Ovpts. Ty. E (300S-313S-E). Complete set plus No. E6S-E, affixed to inside of leather-backed folder, other side with mounted letter from Post Office Dept. dated March 23, 1903 and addressed to Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Ailes, stating these came from the first sheets printed, folder with wear and split, binding reinforced with old tape, Fine and historic set of 1902 Specimens, Scott Retail as normal with original gum...............(Photo Ex) 2,950.00



5 ★★⊞ 1c Blue Green (300). Mint N.H. wide top imprint and plate no. 2030 block of six, fresh, Very Fine and choice wide top plate block, ex Gray, with 2006 P.F. certificate .... 350.00



6 **1c Blue Green, Booklet Pane of Six (300b).** Deep rich color and proof-like impression on bright paper, three clear strikes of Cambridge Station double oval cancel and one strike of double-circle datestamp, missing tab at top

VERY FINE. A RARE USED BOOKLET PANE OF THE ONECENT 1902 ISSUE. VERY FEW ARE KNOWN.

The normal 1c stamp of the 1902 series (Scott 300) was issued in early 1903. However, the booklets were not issued until March 6, 1907. Little interest in them was shown by collectors at the time. This was the first 1c booklet pane issued by the U.S and it was quickly superseded by the 1c 1908 series booklet, Scott 331a, in December of 1908.

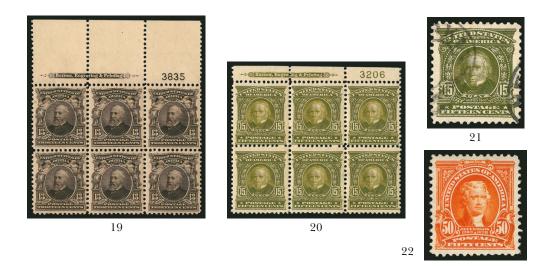
Our census of Scott 300b in used condition is available at our website at http://siegelauctions.com/dynamic/census/300b/300b.pdf and includes only three intact panes with tabs plus three others without tab (including the example offered here and one on cover).

- 8 ★⊞ 2c Carmine (301). Top imprint and plate no. 1532 block of six, lightly hinged, extraordinarily choice centering for a plate block of this difficult issue, Extremely Fine..... 275.00



- 13 ★⊞ 5c Blue (304). Bottom imprint and plate no. 3158 block of six, top center stamp slightly disturbed original gum, vivid color, outstanding centering, Extremely Fine........ 825.00

- 17 ★⊞ 8c Violet Black, 13c Purple Black (306, 308). Bottom imprint and plate no. blocks of six, bright colors, attractive margins and centering, 8c with some minor perf separations, Very Fine pair of plate blocks......(Photo Ex) 1,425.00
- 18 ★★⊞ 10c Pale Red Brown (307). Mint N.H. wide right imprint and plate no. 2826 block of six, bright shade, some perf separations mostly confined to selvage, fresh and Fine. 1,850.00



- 22 ★ **50c Orange (310).** Lightly hinged, fiery color on bright paper, balanced Jumbo margins, Extremely Fine Gem, a superb stamp, with 2004 P.S.E. certificate (OGph, XF-Superb 95 Jumbo; SMQ \$1,000.00 as 95, \$2,000.00 as 98), only four have been graded higher ..... 375.00



23 ★⊞ 50c Orange (310). Bottom imprint and plate no. 1602 block of six, four stamps h.r., intense shade and impression, perf separations sensibly reinforced





- 50c Orange (310). Block of 20 in 4 x 5 format, each stamp with neat cork cancel, most with attractive margins and centering, extensively rejoined, still Fine-Very Fine, a remarkable used block of this issue which is the largest we have encountered and may well be the largest in existence, Scott Retail as singles \$750.00....... E. 500-750
- 26 \*\* \$1.00 Black (311). Mint N.H., intense shade and detailed impression on crisp paper, wide and balanced margins, long and full perforations all around

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A STUNNING MINT NEVERHINGED EXAMPLE OF THE \$1.00 1902 ISSUE, WHICH HAS BEEN GRADED XF-SUPERB 95 BY P.S.E.

With 2009 P.S.E. certificate (XF-Superb 95; SMQ \$10,000.00). Only three have graded higher (at 98) ... 2,100.00



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27 \*\* \$1.00 Black (311). Mint N.H., intense shade and prooflike impression, unusually wide and balanced margins, long and full perforations all around

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A SUPERB MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE \$1.00 1902 ISSUE, WHICH HAS BEEN GRADED XF-SUPERB 95 BY P.S.E.

With 2008 P.S.E. certificate (XF-Superb 95; SMQ \$10,000.00). Only three have graded higher (at 98)...... 2,100.00



\$1.00 Black (311). Bottom imprint and plate no. 1629 block of six, stamps have never been hinged except for tiny sliver reinforcements between perfs, beautifully centered and extraordinarily fresh, tiny scuff in margin at upper left, few rejoined perfs in lower right selvage

EXTREMELY FINE. AN OUTSTANDING AND EXCEEDINGLY RARE PLATE NUMBER BLOCK OF THE  $\$1.00\ 1902$  ISSUE.

Lewis Kaufman records only seven plate blocks for the \$1.00 1902 Issue, including six from the top position and this example from the bottom. This is one of the best-centered and choicest plate blocks of the few extant.



29 \$1.00 Black (311). Perfectly centered with unusually wide and balanced margins, long and full perforations, detailed impression, face-free oval registry cancel, Extremely Fine Gem, a stunning stamp in every respect, ex Natalee Grace, with 2008 P.S.E. certificate (Superb 98; SMQ \$1,000.00), only one used example has graded 



- 30 ⊞ \$1.00 Black (311). Horizontal block of eight, bold oval registry cancels, multiple reinforced perf separations, still Fine-Very Fine, a rare large used multiple, believed to be the largest extant — Power Search could not locate even one other used block of four,
- \$1.00 Black (311). Tied by "New York Sep. 8 10 PM" 1912 duplex datestamp and oval 31 ⋈ grid cancel on bank cover from Heidelbach, Ickelheimer & Co. to Banque J. Allard & Co. in Paris, France, "Philadelphia" straightline handstamp struck on line for "Steamer", opened at left by French Military Postal Control and closed with adhesive tape tied by their control handstamp, stamp with corner tear at top right, otherwise Very Fine, a rare



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35 ★ \$5.00 Dark Green (313). Wide margins and almost mathematically perfect centering, deep rich color and proof-like impression

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A SPECTACULAR EXAMPLE OF THE 1902 ISSUE TOP VALUE WHICH HAS BEEN GRADED SUPERB 98 BY P.S.E.





- 38 # \$5.00 Dark Green (313). Block of four, nice centering, deep rich color, neat strikes of Manchester Conn. May 1910 registry double-circle datestamp

VERY FINE. AN EXCEEDINGLY RARE USED BLOCK OF THE \$5.00 1902 ISSUE.



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### 1906-08 IMPERFORATES



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39 ★★ 1c Blue Green, Imperforate Horizontal Coil (314H). Mint N.H. guide line strip of seven, large margins, deep rich color, light vertical crease along the guide line

EXTREMELY FINE APPEARANCE. A RARE MINT NEVER-HINGED GUIDE LINE STRIP OF SEVEN OF THE ONE-CENT 1908 IMPERFORATE FLAT PLATE COIL STAMP.

These coils were made from the flat plate regular issue stamps, and were issued in rolls of either 500 or 1,000. Very few large multiples are known for this issue.



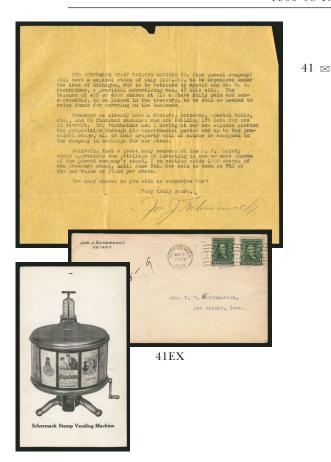
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40 **4c Brown, Imperforate, Schermack Ty. III (314A).** Full Schermack perforations at right and both notches visible at left, deep rich color, face-free cancel, nice centering for this difficult issue

FINE. A BEAUTIFUL SOUND USED EXAMPLE OF THE 4-CENT 1908 IMPERFORATE, SCOTT 314A WITH A FACE-FREE CANCEL. ONLY 31 USED SINGLES ARE CONTAINED IN OUR CENSUS.

With the rising popularity of vending and affixing machines, the Bureau of Engraving and Printing received numerous requests from manufacturers for supplies of imperforate stamps, which could then be privately perforated to conform to each firm's machine. In May 1908, a supply of 25 sheets (400 stamps per sheet) of the 4c 1902 Issue, without perforations, was delivered to the Schermack Mailing Machine Co. in Detroit. The entire supply was cut into coils with Schermack Type III perforations, designed for the firm's patented affixing machine and delivered to the Winfield Printing Co. for use on mass mailings of advertising material. Approximately 6,000 were used on a mailing for Hamilton Carhartt Manufacturer, and almost all of the 4,000 balance were used on a mailing for Burroughs Adding Machine Co.

Our recently-completed census of Scott 314A incorporates the records of the Philatelic Foundation, the Levi records (which represents over 40 years of auction sales) and our own computerized sales history, and is available at our website at http://www.siegelauctions.com/dynamic/census/314A/314A.pdf . The census reveals a startling fact — there are only 31 used singles (two on piece), a used strip of three and three covers (one of which bears a strip of three), for a total of 39 used stamps.



Joseph J. Schermack, Solicitation to Invest in Stamp Vending Machines. Two 1c singles with Schermack Ty. III perfs (314), tied by "Detroit Mich May 31, 1909, 8:30 PM" machine cancel on cover to Mrs. T. S. Farquharson in Des Moines Iowa, marked "Personal", four original enclosures: a letter dated May 29, 1909 with another 1c Schermack Ty. III affixed, discussing the Detroit Mailing Machine business and an enclosed proposal to invest in the Schermack Stamp Vending Machine Company, signed by Schermack; a 4-page typed background and proposal to sell capital stock in the company for the purpose of distributing stamp vending machines to large cities across the country, also signed by Schermack; finally an illustration of a Schermack counter-top vending machine showing several of the advertising cards from which revenue was to be derived as well as a price list for Brinkerhoff and USAV coils (a stamp-dealing side business for Schermack), Very Fine and fascinating group from this early stamp affixing and vending machine pioneer, these letters were sent to members of the APS shortly after Schermack joined the Society, see Steven Belasco's book (Chapter 11) for a detailed discussion of this second venture by Schermack ......(Photo Ex) E. 2,000-3,000



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43 ★★⊞ 5c Blue, Imperforate (315). Mint N.H. top imprint and plate no. 2953 block of six, large margins other sides, deep rich color, inconsequential small corner crease in sheet margin at top left where slightly reduced

VERY FINE MINT NEVER-HINGED TOP PLATE BLOCK OF THE 5-CENT 1908 IMPERFORATE ISSUE.

Ex Mayer...... 4,750.00



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**1908 COILS** 

47 ★ 5c Blue, Coil (317). H.r., choice centering with wide margins, deep rich color

EXTREMELY FINE. A BEAUTIFUL SINGLE OF THE RARE  $1908\ 5$ -CENT VERTICAL COIL.





48 ★ 5c Blue, Coil (317). Pair, both stamps lightly hinged, deep rich color and proof-like impression, attractive margins which clear the design all around

A FINE AND SOUND PAIR OF THE RARE 5-CENT 1908 VERTICAL COIL.

The 5c 1908 Coil stamps, which were stripped by hand, are almost always strongly centered to one side.

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49 ★ 1c Blue Green, Coil (318). With paste-up and guideline at right, lightly hinged, choice centering

VERY FINE AND CHOICE. AN ATTRACTIVE PASTE-UP SINGLE OF THE ONE-CENT HORIZONTAL COIL, SCOTT 318. SCARCE WITH SUCH CHOICE CENTERING.



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50 ★ 1c Blue Green, Coil (318). Pair with s.e. showing guideline at right, h.r., tiny thin speck in right stamp

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

# 1903 SHIELD ISSUE



- 2c Carmine, Ty. II, Booklet Pane of Six (319Fh; formerly 319h). Missing tab, boxed Plainview Tex. cancels, some perf separations, Fine and rare used booklet pane, with 2003 P.F. certificate, unpriced in Scott as used...... E. 300-400
- 2c Carmine, Ty. I, Booklet Pane of Six (319g). Two, Position G and I, first with clear guide line at left, which along with the horizontal guide line between the first two rows defines the position, bold strikes of "Titusville Pa." boxed cancels, several h.r. which reinforce a few perf separations at top, shallow thin spot, Fine-Very Fine appearance, tied for the rarest position on the 180-subject plate, second with guideline at left, Washington D.C. oval cancels, Fine.......................(Photo Ex) 900.00
- 2c Carmine, Ty. I, Booklet Pane of Six (319g). Complete pane with tab, tied by "San Mateo Cal." boxed handstamps on Nov. 9, 1912 registered masonry contractor corner card cover to New York, five backstamps from San Mateo and New York, sealed tear from top to bottom, Very Fine appearance, ex Collier, Scott Retail for used pane \$450.00



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57 ★ 2c Carmine, Coil (322). Lightly hinged, deep rich color and detailed impression, superb centering with wide margins

EXTREMELY FINE EXAMPLE OF THE 2-CENT 1908 HORIZONTAL COIL.



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58 ★ 2c Carmine, Coil (322). Bright color, small owner's handstamp on gum

FINE. A FRESH EXAMPLE OF THE 2-CENT HORIZONTAL COIL, SCOTT 322.



59 ★ 2c Carmine, Coil (322). Pair, lightly hinged, brilliant color, balanced margins, left stamp puckering which is only apparent from front with oblique light

VERY FINE APPEARING PAIR OF THE 2-CENT 1908 HORIZONTAL COIL.

Issued on July 31, 1908, and intended only to be used by private vending machine companies, Scott 322 is only known with the Die II widened line at lower left.



60 \* 2c Carmine, Coil (322). Pair, h.r., attractive color, small thins and a closed tear in right stamp

FINE APPEARANCE. A RARE PAIR OF THE 2-CENT HORIZONTAL COIL, SCOTT 322.

# LOUISIANA PURCHASE ISSUE



- 1c-10c Louisiana Purchase (323-327). Blocks of four, choice centering and neat cancels, 10c left pair with single blue crayon stroke and small creases, two 2c stamps with light creases, otherwise Very Fine-Extremely Fine set of used blocks, ex Twigg-Smith, 10c with 2001 P.F. certificate.......................(Photo Ex) 600.00



64 ★★ 3c Louisiana Purchase (325). Mint N.H., exceptional centering, rich color, Extremely Fine Gem, with 2009 P.S.E. certificate (XF-Superb 95; SMQ \$1,150.00)............................. 185.00





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67 \*\* 5c Louisiana Purchase (326). Mint N.H., gorgeous centering and wide margins for this tightly-spaced issue, intense color, Extremely Fine Gem, with 2010 P.S.E. certificate (XF-Superb 95; SMQ \$1,350.00) ... 200.00





68 ★★⊞ 5c Louisiana Purchase (326). Mint N.H. top left corner imprint and plate no. 2098 block of 12 with wide top selvage, exceptionally well-centered essentially throughout, deep rich color, a few tiny toned spots in selvage at top left and single short perf at bottom (both are outside the plate block and could be separated from it), bright and fresh

EXTREMELY FINE MINT NEVER-HINGED LARGE PLATE BLOCK OF THE 5-CENT LOUISIANA PURCHASE ISSUE.





- 70 ★★⊞ 10c Louisiana Purchase (327). Mint N.H. wide top imprint and plate no. 2107 block of four with two additional stamps and corner selvage at right, deep rich color, choice centering, top left stamp with natural gum bend, bottom left with natural gum crease, still Very Fine-Extremely Fine, a pretty plate block, with 2006 P.F. certificate... 2,770.00



71 ★★⊞ 10c Louisiana Purchase (327). Mint N.H. bottom imprint and plate no. 2105 block of six, well-centered, lovely rich color

VERY FINE. A HANDSOME MINT NEVER-HINGED PLATE BLOCK OF THE 10-CENT LOUISIANA PURCHASE.



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# JAMESTOWN ISSUE



- 74 ★★⊞ 1c Jamestown (328). Mint N.H. top imprint, double plate no 2543 and arrow block of 20, deep shade, perf separations affect left plate block, usual natural gum creases, Fine-Very Fine, a rare plate number multiple, Scott Retail as two plate blocks and eight singles...... 2,210.00



77 \*\* 5c Jamestown (330). Mint N.H., intense shade and proof-like impression on fresh paper, unusually wide margins for this difficult issue, Extremely Fine Gem, ex Merlin, with 1989 P.F. (for block) and 2008 P.S.E. certificates (XF-Superb 95; SMQ \$2,150.00). 285.00

# 1908-09 ISSUE



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79 P 1c-\$1.00 1908 Issue, Large Die Proofs on India (331P1-342P1). Complete set, on approximately 36 x 38mm cards, bright colors except 6c slightly oxidized, each with minor h.r.

VERY FINE. AN EXTREMELY RARE COMPLETE SET OF THE 1908 WASHINGTON-FRANKLIN ISSUE LARGE DIE PROOFS. PERFECT FOR EXHIBITION IN THESE SIZES.

Only approximately four or five complete sets are known. We have not offered another since our 1981 Rarities sale.



- 80 **to-8c 1908-12 Issues (331-337, 343-347, 383-384, 408-409).** Unused singles, 1c-3c of Perf 12 issue Mint N.H., other perforated stamps hinged, majority of the imperfs Mint N.H., Fine-Extremely Fine with several quite nice incl. P.S.E. graded Nos. 331 (XF 90J), 332 (XF-Superb 95J) and 333 (XF 90), total SMQ just for the three Mint N.H. graded stamps \$400.00 without regard to the Jumbo appellations ................................(Photo Ex) 445.65

- 84 ★⊞ 3c Deep Violet, "China Clay" Experimental Paper (333 var). Bottom imprint and plate no. 4927 block of six, much darker shade of paper which at one time constituted the "China Clay" paper, bottom right stamp slight internal crease, otherwise Fine-Very Fine, with 1992 P.F. certificate as No. 333a "China Clay", the P.F. will no longer certify this variety so it is offered as is although there is an argument between "scientists" over what constitutes China Clay paper, the obvious experimental nature of this rare paper variety has been known for 80+ years ex Wampler (where it realized \$6,000 as No. 333a)....... E. 1,000-1,500



- 88 ★★ 10c Yellow (338). Mint N.H., spectacular color on post-office fresh paper, Extremely Fine 160.00

- 92 ★⊞ 13c Blue Green, "China Clay" Experimental Paper (339 var). Top imprint and plate no. 4945 block of six, darker shade of paper which at one time constituted the "China Clay" paper, tiny thins, Very Fine appearance, with 1991 P.F. certificate as No. 339a "China Clay", the P.F. will no longer certify this variety so it is offered as is although there is an argument between "scientists" over what constitutes China Clay paper, the obvious experimental nature of this rare paper variety has been known for 80+ years ex Wampler (where it realized \$6,250 as No. 339a) ................................ E. 1,000-1,500





- 93 \*\* 15c Pale Ultramarine (340). Mint N.H., wide margins and choice centering, lovely soft pastel color, Extremely Fine, with 2007 P.S.E. certificate (XF 90; SMQ \$350.00).. 150.00







- 97 ★ \$1.00 Violet Brown (342). Barely hinged, intense shade and proof-like impression, choice centering, Extremely Fine, with 2006 P.S.E. certificate (XF 90; SMQ \$750.00)..... 500.00



98 ★⊞ **50c Violet (341).** Wide top imprint and plate no. 4956 block of six, exceptionally choice centering, radiant color on fresh paper

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. ONE OF THE FINEST EXAMPLES OF THE RARE TOP PLATE NUMBER BLOCK OF THE  $50\text{-}CENT\ 1909\ DOUBLE-LINE\ WATERMARKED\ ISSUE,\ SCOTT\ 341.$ 

Scott 341 was produced from only one plate, number 4956, which had plate number blocks at top and bottom. A review using Power Search shows that most top position plate blocks have the selvage shortened to some degree — only two others with wide top were located and neither is as well-centered as the example offered here.

7,000,00



99 ★⊞ \$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 selvage tear just above imprint

EXTREMELY FINE APPEARANCE. A BEAUTIFUL PLATE NUMBER BLOCK OF THE \$1.00 WASHINGTON 1908 ISSUE.

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.

#### 1908-09 IMPERFORATES





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- 100 ★⊞ 1c-5c 1908-09 Issue, Imperforate (343-347). Top imprint and plate no. blocks of six with extra 1c side plate block (with star), one 1c, 2c and 4c hinged, others Mint N.H., large margins, Very Fine set, 3c with 2006 P.F. certificate......(Photo Ex) 1,152.50



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  2c Carmine, Imperforate (344). Ample to large margins, tied by "Norwich N.Y. Dec. 7, 1908" machine cancel on stamp dealer corner card cover to New Hamburg N.Y., receiving backstamp, central file fold and piece of backflap missing, Very Fine, the earliest documented use of Scott 344 as well as the earliest use of any Washington-Franklin imperforate stamp, ex Berkun, with 2000 A.P.S. certificate...... E. 1,000-1,500
- 103 ⊠ **2c Carmine, Horizontal Imperforate Coil (344H).** Single with side margins cut at a slight bias from government vending machine, tied by "Chi & Clark St. R.P.O., Chi Ill, Mar 23 1909" duplex, which is the **earliest documented use**, backstamped Tacoma, Wash. on March 26

VERY FINE. THE EARLIEST OF THE TWO RECORDED 2-CENT HORIZONTAL IMPERFORATE COIL ON COVER.

The streetcar cancel makes it possible that this is a first day use, since the government vending machine was tested in the stations of this trolley line and broke down after the first two hours.



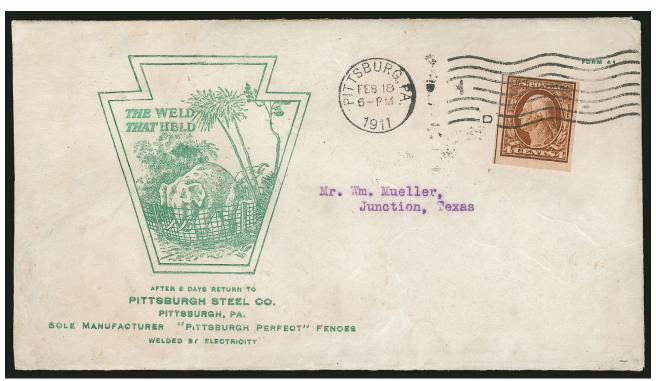
104 ★ 3c Deep Violet, Ty. I, Horizontal Imperforate Coil (345H). Pair, large margins, fresh color, trivial small tear in bottom margin

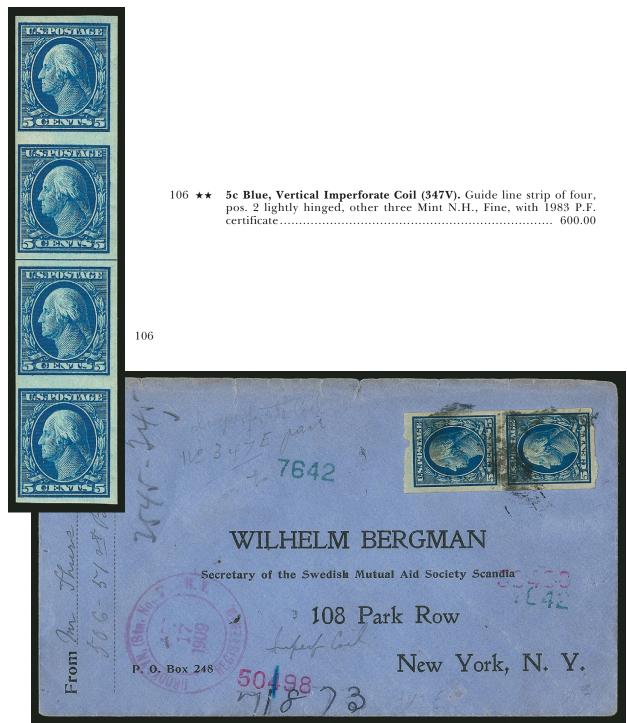
VERY FINE. THE ONLY RECORDED EXAMPLE OF THE 3-CENT HORIZONTAL IMPERFORATE COIL.

It is known that the Post Office issued 13,500 3c imperforate coils (27 rolls of 500). However, there was little commercial need for a 3c stamp. When the first perforated 3c coil (No. 389) was issued the following year, only one company used it, Bell & Co. of Orangeburg, New York. When the Scott Catalogue introduced listings for imperforate coils, the 3c was included. Stamp dealer George Sloane tried to acquire examples of all government-issued coils for one of his customers, but he was unable to find any 3c imperforate coils. On his recommendation, the Scott Catalogue deleted the 3c imperforate coil in its 1941 edition.

Ken Lawrence found this pair in 1997. He submitted it to the A.P.S. for expertizing. Because it has a guide line at top, it was compared to Perf 8½ coils with guide line at top, since these were manufactured the same year with the same equipment. After careful scrutiny by coil specialists, including George Brett, W. Wallace Cleland, Mick Hadley, George Wagner and Larry Weiss, it was determined that the top edge possesses the traits of the coil stamp.

With 2002 A.P.S. certificate. Listed but unpriced in Scott ...... E. 10,000-15,000





5c Blue, Vertical Imperforate Coil (347V). Two singles with irregular separations as usual (each stamp shows the slightly diagonal scoring that is the telltale sign of the simplex machine), tied by indistinct ovals on a registered printed return envelope of Wilhelm Bergman, Secretary of the Swedish Mutual Aid Society Scandia in New York City, with a "Brooklyn (Sta. No. 7) N.Y./Registered/Apr.17,1909" circular datestamp on front and back as well as a New York City registry oval backstamp of April 18, 1909, this is the earliest documented use of the 5c Blue imperforate coil, small cover edge tears at top, otherwise Very Fine, one of four recorded uses of the 5c Vertical Imperforate Coil, this pre-dates the former earliest document use by two years, with 2005 P.F. and A.P.S. certificates...... E. 750-1,000

#### 1908-10 COILS











114 ★ 2c Carmine, Coil (349). Guide line pair, bright color, well-centered, Very Fine and choice, ex Lessin, with 1992 P.F. certificate.. 550.00

2c Carmine, Coil (349). Wide margins, tied by "San Francisco Cal. May 14, 1909 11:30 AM" machine cancel on tea merchant multicolored corner card cover to Saginaw Mich., cover with some mounting scuffs not affecting the stamp, markings or corner card, Very Fine, the earliest known use of Scott 349, ex Berkun, with 2002 A.P.S. certificate...... E. 400-500



USPOSTAGE ACCIDATES A 117 ★★ 4c Orange Brown, Coil (350). Mint N.H. guide line strip of four, rich color, attractive centering, fresh and crisp

VERY FINE AND SCARCE MINT NEVER-HINGED LINE STRIP OF FOUR OF THE 1909 4-CENT COIL, SCOTT 350.

With 1990 P.F. certificate...... 3,250.00

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118 ★ 4c Orange Brown, Coil (350). Guide line pair, lightly hinged, handsome wide imperforate margins, almost perfectly centered with rich color

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A BEAUTIFUL GUIDE LINE PAIR OF THE 4-CENT HORIZONTAL COIL, SCOTT 350.

119 \* 4c Orange Brown, Coil (350). Guide line strip of four, top stamp h.r., others (incl. guide line pair) Mint N.H., deep rich color, Fine-Very Fine, with 2011 P.S.E. certificate, Scott Retail as a guide line 



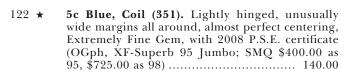
120 ★ 4c Orange Brown, Coil (350). Guide line pair, 





121 bright color, Benton Harbor Mich. oval cancel, diagonal wrinkle at upper left of top stamp, appears Fine, according to Johl (Vol. 1, page 153), this coil was issued approximately 18 months after the horizontal coil Scott 354 and was in use for a short period of time, our census of used guide line pairs records only seven, plus one

> contained in a strip of four, five of the eight were used in Benton Harbor Mich., with 2007 P.S.E.





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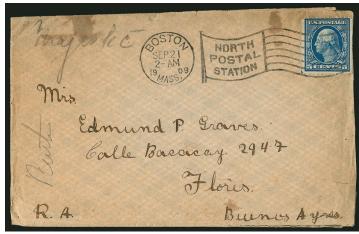
123 ★★ 5c Blue, Coil (351). Mint N.H. guide line strip of four, deep rich color, bottom pair with tiny natural gum skips

> VERY FINE MINT NEVER-HINGED GUIDE LINE STRIP OF FOUR OF THE 5-CENT VERTICAL COIL, SCOTT 351.









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5c Blue, Coil (351). Guide line strip of four, top stamp lightly 124 ★ hinged, other three (incl. the guide line pair) Mint N.H., exceptionally bright and fresh, Very Fine, with 2002 P.F. certificate, catalogued 

125 5c Blue, Coil (351). Guide line pair, deep rich color, bold strike of duplex cancel, top stamp small thin spot at left not mentioned on accompanying certificate, Fine appearance, scarce used guide line pair, ex Lake Shore, with 1997 P.F. certificate.............. 3,000.00

126 ⋈ 5c Blue, Coil (351). Tied by "Boston Mass. Sep. 21, 1909 2-AM North Postal Station" machine cancel on cover to Flores, Buenos Aires, receiving backstamp, stamp with small corner crease and small surface scrape, cover including original contents with some edgewear, Very Fine appearance, the earliest documented use of Scott 351, which is rare on any contemporary cover, Power Search contains no other examples, ex Hadley and Berkun, with 1992 P.F. certificate .. E. 1,000-1,500





127



1c Green, Coil (352). Mint N.H. pair with 2mm

127 ★★ spacing, intense shade and impression, choice centering with well-proportioned margins, fresh and Extremely Fine, this coil is considerably more difficult to find with such choice centering with 2mm spacing than it is with 3mm spacing, ex Whitman, with 2003 P.F. certificate. 550.00

128 ★ 1c Green, Coil (352). Guide line pair, lightly hinged, choice centering, fresh and Extremely Fine, with 2007 P.S.E. certificate (OGph, XF 90; SMQ \$1,500.00) ...... 825.00

> 1c Green, Coil (352). Pair with 2mm spacing, well-centered, bold strikes of Kansas City double oval cancel, bright color, Very Fine, with 2002 P.F. certificate...... 600.00



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130 ★ 2c Carmine, Coil (353). Guide line pair, single hinge mark with small h.r., bright color and crisp impression

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A STUNNING GUIDE LINE PAIR OF THE 2-CENT HORIZONTAL COIL, SCOTT 353.

With 2008 P.S.E. certificate (OGh, XF-Superb 95; SMQ \$2,250.00). This is the highest grade awarded to any guide line pair of Scott 353, either hinged or Mint N.H. and it is shared by only one other. The highest Mint N.H. grade is a 90................... 750.00



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**2c Carmine, Coil (353).** Pair, bold 1911 duplex cancel, right stamp small corner crease, Fine appearance, we have offered only one used guide line pair of Scott 353 (see lot 134), used pairs are also very rare, ex Lake Shore, with 2007 P.F. certificate ....

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- 135 ★★ 4c Orange Brown, Coil (354). Mint N.H., choice centering with Jumbo margins, intense shade, Extremely Fine, a huge stamp, ex Scarsdale, with 1998 P.S.E. and 2000 P.F.
- 136 ★★ 4c Orange Brown, Coil (354). Pair with 3mm spacing, lightly hinged, rich color, extra



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137 ★ 4c Orange Brown, Coil (354). Guide line pair, brilliant color, perfectly centered with wide and balanced margins

> EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A SUPERB GUIDE LINE PAIR OF THE 4-CENT HORIZONTAL COIL, SCOTT 354.

> With 2007 P.S.E. certificate (OGph, Superb 98; SMQ \$4,750.00). This is the only line pair in any gum condition to receive a Superb 98 grade. The next highest grade is a 95 (high-





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- 138 ★ 4c Orange Brown, Coil (354). Guide line pair, h.r. on left stamp, wide margins, rich color, Very Fine, with 2007 P.S.E. certificate (OGh
- 139 4c Orange Brown, Coil (354). Jumbo margins, lovely color, Washington D.C. oval cancel, Very Fine, with 2010 P.S.E. certificate. 275.00
- 140 4c Orange Brown, Coil (354). Guide line pair, rich color, bold cancel, Fine and scarce, with 1999 P.F. certificate ...... 2,000.00







141 ★ 5c Blue, Coil (355). Guide line pair, minor h.r., rich color on fresh paper, Extremely Fine, an elusive line pair with such choice centering, with 2002 P.F. certificate. 1,500.00



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144 ★ 10c Yellow, Coil (356). Vivid color, extra wide top and bottom margins, bright and fresh

VERY FINE AND CHOICE EXAMPLE OF THE SCARCE 1909 10-CENT PERF 12 COIL, SCOTT 356.

Ex Golden Oak. With 1980 P.F. certificate.... 3,500.00



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145 ★ 10c Yellow, Coil (356). Pair, spectacular color, attractive margins and centering, accompanying P.S.E. certificate mentions a tiny scuff in the bottom right margin of the right stamp, it is all but invisible and not mentioned on two P.F. certificates

FINE-VERY FINE PAIR OF THE 1909 10-CENT HORIZONTAL COIL, SCOTT 356.



146 ★★ 10c Yellow, Coil, (356). Mint N.H. guide line pair, radiant color on post-office fresh paper, left stamp tiny natural inclusion in Washington's forehead

VERY FINE. THE 10-CENT PERF 12 COIL IS EXCEEDINGLY RARE AS A GUIDE LINE PAIR IN CHOICE MINT NEVER-HINGED CONDITION.

According to Johl (Volume 1, page 181), only 10,000 of the 10c Washington coil stamp 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 large post offices across the country. Dealers acquired several rolls, but because most contemporary collectors did not collect coils, many were used and destroyed.



147 ★ 10c Yellow, Coil (356). Guide line strip of four, sensibly reinforced with hinges, classic bright color of this rare and elusive coil, nicely centered

VERY FINE. A RARE GUIDE LINE STRIP OF FOUR OF THE 10-CENT PERF 12 COIL, SCOTT 356.

According to Johl (Volume 1, page 181), only 10,000 of the 10c Washington coil stamp 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 large post offices across the country. Dealers acquired several rolls, but because most contemporary collectors did not collect coils, many were used and destroyed. Most guide line strips have been broken to feed collector demand for guide line pairs and singles.



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148 **10c Yellow, Coil (356).** Bright color, wide and well-balanced margins, bold oval cancel, light diagonal creases at top and tiny corner thin spot at top right

VERY FINE APPEARING USED EXAMPLE OF THE 1909 10-CENT COIL, SCOTT 356.



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149 **10c Yellow, Coil (356).** Pair, vivid color, two neat strikes of Washington D.C. double oval cancel

FINE. ONLY FIFTEEN GENUINE USED MULTIPLES OF THE 10-CENT HORIZONTAL COIL, SCOTT 356, ARE RECORDED.

According to Johl (Volume 1, page 181), only 10,000 of the 10c Washington coil stamp 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 large post offices across the country. Dealers acquired several rolls, but because most contemporary collectors did not collect coils, many were used and destroyed.

Our census of Scott No. 356 in used multiples, available at http://siegelauctions.com/dynamic/census/356/356.pdf, contains twelve pairs, one strip of four and two strips of three. Four of the pairs originated on the same cover, which was prepared by Henry Hammelman and mailed in August 1911 from Washington D.C. (this pair was not on that cover). It also contained other denominations. A guide line pair has been certified as genuine, but the cancel needs to be reexamined to see if it is one of the fakes produced during the last 20 years.

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#### **BLUISH PAPER**



- 151 ★⊞ 1c Green, Bluish (357). Bottom imprint and plate no. 4889 block of six, narrow selvage but imprint complete, five stamps Mint N.H., deep rich color, Fine-Very Fine. 3,100.00

- 154 ☑ 1c Green, 2c Carmine, Bluish (357-358). Three covers, 1c on Union Station illustrated postcard from Washington D.C. to Portland Ore., other 1c (pair) and 2c on envelopes with Pepperell N.J. postmarks to Nebraska, sent the same day in December 1909, Very Fine trio, postcard with 2000 A.P.S. certificate......(Photo Ex) E. 200-300



155 ★★ 2c Carmine, Bluish (358). Mint N.H., incredibly well-centered, especially for a Bluish Paper, vivid color on fresh paper, Extremely Fine Gem, with 2008 P.S.E. certificate (XF-Superb 95; SMQ \$1,025.00)...... 170.00

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156 ★⊞ 2c Carmine, Bluish (358).

Left imprint and plate no.

4837 block of six with wide selvage, rich color on deeply blued paper, lightly hinged, beautiful centering, Extremely Fine, a fantastic plate block and certainly one of the finest in existence, ex MLG collection, with 2009 P.F. certificate ............. 1,000.00



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159 ★ **3c Deep Violet, Bluish (359).** Deep rich color and proof-like impression on nicely blued paper, wide margins, Very Fine, with 1991 P.F. and 1992 P.S.E. certificates..... 1,800.00



160 ★⊞ 3c Deep Violet, Bluish (359). Top imprint and plate no. 4918 block of six with wide selvage, lightly hinged with blue Stanley Gibbons backstamps on each, rich color on deeply blued paper

FINE. AN EXCEEDINGLY RARE IMPRINT AND PLATE NUMBER BLOCK OF SIX OF THE 3-CENT ON BLUISH PAPER. VERY FEW ARE KNOWN.

Lewis Kaufman records only five plate blocks, including four from the top position and one from the left. The plate block here was offered in our 1993 Rarities sale, and apart from two examples contained in the MLG collection (top and side), it is the only example we have sold since keeping computerized records. A pane of 100 is also known, with imprint and plate numbers at top and right.

3c Deep Violet, Bluish (359). Deep rich color, light town cancel, faint diagonal crease thru left side of vignette

FINE APPEARANCE. THE 3-CENT ON BLUISH PAPER IS THE RAREST OF THE REGULARLY-ISSUED BLUISH PAPERS IN USED CONDITION. ONLY FOUR USED EXAMPLES ARE RECORDED IN OUR CENSUS.

A total of 40 sheets (4,000 stamps) were printed of the 3c on Bluish paper, using four different printing plates. A quantity was inadvertently distributed to various post offices, including the post office in New York. A small quantity was apparently used, but these have almost all been lost to philately.

Our census of Scott 359 in used condition, available at our website at http://siegelauctions.com/dynamic/census/359/359.pdf, records three used copies plus one on cover. A fourth off-cover example needs to be reexamined for authenticity. This makes it as rare, or rarer, than the 5c on bluish, which catalogues three times as much.

Census No. 359-CAN-03. With 2008 P.F. certificate...... 9,000.00





162 ★ 4c Orange Brown, Bluish (360). Beautiful rich color and sharp proof-like impression, nearly perfect centering which is virtually unheard-of on this rare issue, small trivial natural fiber inclusion at left

EXTREMELY FINE. AN OUTSTANDING EXAMPLE OF THE EXTREMELY RARE 4-CENT BLUISH PAPER, WHICH IS ONE OF THE MOST DIFFICULT BLUISH PAPERS TO FIND IN SUCH PRISTINE CONDITION.

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. Given the failed experimental nature of the paper mixture, it is no surprise that virtually all copies are off center to some extent.



163 ★★ 5c Blue, Bluish (361). Mint N.H., rich color on deeply blued paper, perfect centering with unusually wide and balanced margins

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. WITHOUT QUESTION THIS IS ONE OF THE FINEST MINT NEVERHINGED EXAMPLES OF THE 5-CENT WASHINGTON ON BLUISH PAPER IN EXISTENCE. A REMARKABLE STAMP IN TERMS OF GUM, CENTERING, SIZE OF MARGINS AND COLOR. THIS SUPERB STAMP HAS BEEN GRADED XF-90 BY P.S.E. — THE HIGHEST GRADE AWARDED AND THE ONLY EXAMPLE TO ACHIEVE THIS GRADE.

We have only been able to locate two examples comparable to the stamp offered here. One was offered in the Zoellner sale. The other was offered in the Floyd sale held by Shreves.



164 ★ 5c Blue, Bluish (361). Lightly hinged, intense shade on deeply blued paper, well-centered with enormous margin at bottom

VERY FINE AND AN UNUSUALLY WIDE-MARGINED EXAMPLE OF THE 5-CENT BLUISH PAPER.

The Bluish Paper stamps are notoriously difficult to find well-centered. The stamp offered here, with three wide and well-balanced margins and a huge margin at bottom, is a condition rarity.

With 1969 and 1996 P.F. certificates ...... 5,750.00

165 ★★ 6c Red Orange, Bluish (362). Mint N.H., vivid color, choice centering, remarkably fresh paper

VERY FINE AND CHOICE EXAMPLE OF THE 6-CENT BLUISH PAPER. RARELY AVAILABLE IN WELL-CENTERED MINT NEVER-HINGED CONDITION.

With 1999 P.F. certificate ...... 3,000.00



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166 ★⊞ 6c Red Orange, Bluish (362). Left imprint and plate no. 4938 block of six with wide selvage, lightly hinged, right frames slight oxidation

FINE. APPROXIMATELY A DOZEN PLATE BLOCKS OF THE 6-CENT ON BLUISH ARE RECORDED.

Lewis Kaufman records about a dozen plate blocks, including four from the top, seven from the left and one from the right position. A pane of 100 is also known with plate blocks at left and bottom.



167 ★ 8c Olive Green, Bluish (363). Barest trace of hinging, crisp color on deeply blued paper, exceptional centering for this difficult stamp

EXTREMELY FINE. THIS IS EASILY 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.

SIEGEL AUCTION GALLERIES



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169 ★★ 13c Bluish Green, Bluish (365). Mint N.H., deep rich color, attractive margins and centering

VERY FINE MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE 13-CENT BLUISH PAPER.



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171 ⊞ **13c Bluish Green, Bluish (365).** Block of four, blurry centrally struck cancel likely from Saginaw Mich, rich color on deeply blued paper

VERY FINE AND RARE USED BLOCK OF THE 13-CENT ON BLUISH PAPER.

The 13c on Bluish, both unused and used, is recorded as having been found only at the post office at Saginaw, Michigan. Many of the used examples show only part or blurry cancels. According to the Assistant Postmaster, John J. Spencer, "We found what was left of what no doubt had been originally ten sheets safely resting at the bottom under a lot of new stock, the coming of which had doubtless saved these from annihilation [or use]. They were readily distinguished, having a marginal pen and ink marking. We found a partial mint sheet and margins from several other sheets had been used. One or two sheets had also been precancelled. We were satisfied that ten sheets (of 100) had reached this post office."

With 1979 P.F. certificate ...... 17,500.00



172 ★★ 15c Pale Ultramarine, Bluish (366). Mint N.H., bright color on blued paper with long full perfs all around, choice centering with well-proportioned margins

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

With 2002 P.S.E. and 2004 P.F. certificates... 3,000.00



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173 ★⊞ 15c Pale Ultramarine, Bluish (366). Block of four, three stamps Mint N.H., top left stamp barest trace of hinging, bright color on deeply blued paper with characteristic strong watermark

VERY FINE. A SCARCE MINT BLOCK OF FOUR OF THE 15-CENT ON BLUISH WITH THREE MINT NEVER-HINGED STAMPS.

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174 **15c Pale Ultramarine, Bluish (366).** Brilliant color on well-blued paper, choice centering with wide margins, light strike of oval cancel

VERY FINE AND CHOICE. ONLY TEN USED COPIES OF THE 15-CENT ON BLUISH HAVE BEEN CERTIFIED BY THE PHILATELIC FOUNDATION. A GREAT RARITY.

According to Johl, the 15c stamps were discovered in the post office in Buffalo N.Y. The rarity of the 15c on Bluish in used condition is often overlooked by collectors, probably because it is fairly plentiful in unused condition. Our census, available at our website at http://siegelauctions.com/dynamic/census/366/366.pdf, records only ten used copies. None is known on cover. Another has a certificate declining opinion as to whether the cancel is contemporary, and two others (not included) need to be reexamined for genuineness. Of the confirmed copies only two or three are sound. The sound example offered here is highly desirable.



#### 1909 COMMEMORATIVES



- 2c 1909 Commemorative Issues (367-373). Complete used set of the 1909 Commemoratives, each Extremely Fine or appears so, with outstanding margins and centering, most with graded certificates including Nos. 367 (XF 90J), 368 (Superb 98), 369 (2, one VF-XF 85, other ungraded), 371 (F 70, huge margins but small thins), 372 (XF-Superb 95), 372 (ungraded), 373 (Superb 98J), an outstanding group, total SMQ without premium for the Jumbo appellations \$880.00 ..................(Photo Ex) 653.00

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2c Lincoln, Bluish (369). Left imprint, plate no. 4978 and small solid star block of six, slightly disturbed original gum, intense shade and impression on deeply blued paper, choice centering, Extremely Fine, a Gem plate block despite the trivial gum disturbance which is not even mentioned on older certificate, ex MLG collection, with 1980 and 2009 P.F. certificates...... 2,750.00







- 180 ★⊞ **2c Lincoln, Bluish (369).** Right imprint, plate no. 4978 and small solid star block of six, original gum with small disturbance on one and hinged on others, intense shade, Fine... 2,750.00

## 1910-11 ISSUE







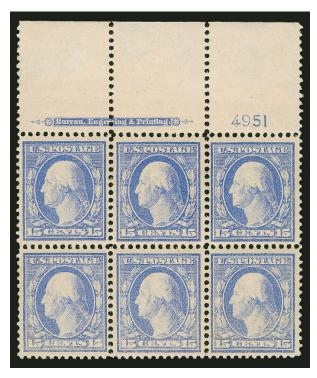
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184 **1c-15c 1910-11 Issue (374-376, 378-380, 382).** Used singles, wide to Jumbo margins, outstanding centering, neat oval or machine cancels, Extremely Fine-Extremely Fine Gems throughout, 2c, 3c, and 6c with graded P.S.E. certificates (90J, 90, 95J).....(**Photo Ex**) 42.00



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  4c Brown (377). Tied by "Boston Mass. Mar. 7, 1911 7 PM" duplex cancel on mourning cover to Morecambe, England, receiving backstamp confirming the year, stamp lifted to confirm watermark, Very Fine double rate franking and the earliest documented use of Scott 377, ex Berkun, with 2001 A.P.S. certificate...... E. 300-400



193 ★★⊞ 15c Pale Ultramarine (382). Mint N.H. top imprint and plate no. 4951 block of six, brilliant color, choice centering

> FRESH AND EXTREMELY FINE. A RARE MINT NEVER-HINGED PLATE BLOCK OF THE 15-CENT 1911 SINGLE-LINE WATERMARKED WASHINGTON ISSUE.

# 1910-13 COILS

THE MOREHOUSE CO.







- 194 ⋈ 2c Carmine, Horizontal Imperforate Coil (384H). Single with deep color tied by "Cleveland, Ohio Mar 9, 1912" machine cancel on window envelope with The Morehouse Co. corner card, this is the earliest documented use, Very Fine, one of only two recorded examples on cover with this imperforate coil, ex Berkun, with 2004 A.P.S.
- 1c Green, Coil (385). Mint N.H., Jumbo margins and perfect centering, post-office fresh in every respect, Extremely Fine Gem, a phenomenal stamp, with 2011 P.S.A.G. certifi-195 ★★ cate (981 OgNH), by way of comparison P.S.E. does not even price this stamp above the grade of 95 and they have awarded no 98J grades to this coil in any format ...... 100.00
- 1c Green, Coil (385). Mint N.H. pair, choice centering with balanced margins, fresh 196 ★★ color, Extremely Fine, with 1998 P.F. and 2004 P.S.E. certificates (XF 90; SMQ \$475.00) 240.00



- 199 ★ 1c Green, Coil (385). Two guide line strips of four, one with one Mint N.H. stamp but pencil notation, Fine, other with tiny stains in top right margin, Fine-Very Fine, with 2011 and 2004 P.S.E. certificates respectively......(Photo Ex) 900.00
- 201 **1c Green, Coil (385).** Guide line strip of four, deep rich color, bold Michigan town double-oval cancels, Very Fine, a rare used line strip, with 2004 P.S.E. certificate............... 925.00
- 203 ★★ 2c Carmine, Coil (386). Mint N.H. pair, top stamp with particularly wide margins, fresh color, Fine-Very Fine, ex Laehder, with 1991 P.F. certificate................................ 650.00



204 ★ 2c Carmine, Coil (386). Guide line pair, barest trace of hinging, brilliant color, gorgeous centering both side to side and top to bottom

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A SUPERB GUIDE LINE PAIR OF THE 2-CENT 1910 VERTICAL COIL, SCOTT 386.

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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205 ★ 2c Carmine, Coil (386). Guide line strip of four, top stamp of line pair lightly hinged, other three Mint N.H., bright color, fresh and Fine, with 2011 P.S.A.G. certificate, Scott Retail as hinged line pair and two Mint N.H. singles ...... 2,160.00

206 \*\* 1c Green, Coil (387). Mint N.H., brilliant color, crisp impression, Jumbo margins, Extremely Fine Gem, ex Scarsdale and Hoffman, with 1999 P.F., 1999 and 2008 P.S.E. certificates (XF 90 Jumbo; SMQ \$675.00 as 90, \$1,100.00 as 95)... 390.00

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207 ★★ 1c Green, Coil (387). Mint N.H. pair with 3mm spacing, deep rich color on post-office fresh paper, almost perfect centering with Jumbo margins, a few perf separations at top

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A GORGEOUS MINT NEVER-HINGED PAIR OF THE ONE-CENT 1910 HORIZONTAL COIL, SCOTT 387.



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209 ★ 2c Carmine, Coil (388). Bright color, crisp impression, choice centering with unusually wide margins for this issue

EXTREMELY FINE. A HUGE EXAMPLE OF THE 1910 SINGLE-LINE WATERMARKED 2-CENT PERF 12 HORIZONTAL COIL, SCOTT 388.

Ex Scarsdale. With 1998 P.F. certificate ...... 1,300.00





210 ★ 2c Carmine, Coil (388). Pair with 3mm spacing, lightly hinged, deep rich color and fine impression

VERY FINE AND CHOICE. A BEAUTIFUL PAIR OF THE SCARCE 2-CENT SINGLE-LINE WATER-MARKED PERF 12 HORIZONTAL COIL WITH 3MM SPACING.



211 ★ 2c Carmine, Coil (388). Guide line pair, lightly hinged, deep rich color on fresh paper VERY FINE AND RARE. ONLY A FEW GUIDE LINE PAIRS OF THIS COIL RARITY EXIST IN SOUND, VERY FINE CONDITION.

212 **2c Carmine, Coil (388).** Bright color, neat machine cancel, two small thins at right, Very Fine appearance, with 1999 A.P.S. and 2008 P.S.E. certificates.. 2,250.00



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213 **2c Carmine, Coil (388).** Pair with 2mm spacing, deep rich color, bold duplex cancels, small crease at top of right stamp

FINE APPEARANCE AND EXTREMELY RARE. APPROXIMATELY TEN USED PAIRS AND ONE USED GUIDE LINE STRIP OF FOUR ARE KNOWN TO US.

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.

Approximately ten used pairs are known. The only used guide line multiple we record is the strip of four from our Natalee Grace sale, which is specifically mentioned as being unique in Scott Catalogue (Sale 1028, lot 357).

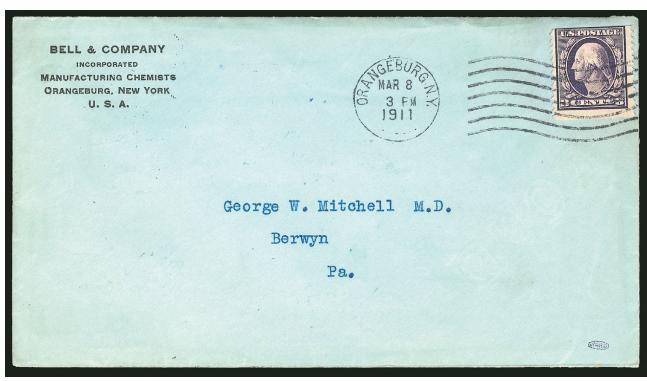


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3c Deep Violet, Orangeburg Coil (389). Wide margins and nice centering, deep rich color, neat wavy-line cancel, tiny corner creases at top, light crease at left

VERY FINE APPEARING EXAMPLE OF THE RARE 3-CENT ORANGEBURG COIL. SCARCE WITH SUCH WIDE MARGINS.

With 1992 P.F. certificate ...... 10,500.00



3c Deep Violet, Orangeburg Coil (389). Deep rich color and sharp proof-like impression, tied by "Orangeburg N.Y. Mar. 8 3PM 1911" machine cancel on cover to Berwyn Pa., usual "Bell & Company Incorporated Manufacturing Chemists" corner card, stamp lifted and hinged to cover, tiny faults not noted on certificate

FINE APPEARANCE. THIS IS THE EARLIEST DOCUMENTED USE OF THE RARE 3-CENT ORANGEBURG COIL ON COVER. ONLY THIRTEEN ORANGEBURG COIL COVERS HAVE BEEN CERTIFIED AS GENUINE BY THE PHILATELIC FOUNDATION.

The Orangeburg coil was made by the Post Office Department in 1911, specifically for use by the Bell Pharmaceutical Company. The 3c coil stamps were used to send samples of their products to physicians. Due to the quantity of mail, they were put through the first-class cancelling machine at Orangeburg, New York. The Orangeburg coil stamps' use on third-class mail and the fact that philatelists were generally unaware of their production account for their rarity.

When we offered this stamp and the cover in our Sale 798 (lot 454A), it was our opinion that the stamp did not originate on this cover. However, it was subsequently expertized by The Philatelic Foundation and certified as a genuine use (earliest documented date) and acquired by Alan Berkun for his exhibit collection.

## PERF 8½ COILS

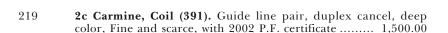






218 **2c Carmine, Coil (391).** Guide line pair, rich color, outstanding wide margins, neat strike of 1916 year-dated Des Moines Iowa duplex cancel

EXTREMELY FINE. THE 2-CENT VERTICAL COIL, SCOTT 391, IS VERY RARE AS A LINE PAIR IN CHOICE GENUINELY USED CONDITION.







1c Green, Coil (392). Two covers franked with guide line pairs, first dated Oct. 20, 1913 from Saginaw Mich. to Sherman Tex., second back to Saginaw with Oct. 23 date, both with same writing and second folded (indicating a self-addressed return envelope), first with some staple rust on back and right stamp a few toned perfs, still Very Fine and scarce pair of line pair covers, no doubt sent between philatelists, Mr. Curtis acquired these years apart and reunited them, one with 1992 P.F. certificate, Scott Retail for two used line pairs but that hardly does justice to fascinating pair of covers ...............................(Photo Ex) 1,000.00







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- 3c Deep Violet, 4c Brown, Coil (394-395). Line strips of four, large even imperforate margins, the two line pairs with decent centering around the perforations, 3c with Des Moines Iowa duplex cancels, 4c with light duplex cancel and tiny thin spot in right stamp of line pair, Fine-Very Fine, 4c with 2001 P.F. certificate......(Photo Ex) 1,300.00



443 <b>*</b>	impression, well-centered with wide margins, Very Fine and choice, with 1986 P.F. certificate
226	4c Brown, Coil (395).Guide line pair, Cleveland duplex cancel, wide margins, rich color,Very Fine, with 1990 P.F. certificate650.00
227 ★★	<b>5c Blue, Coil (396).</b> Mint N.H., wonderful depth of color on post-office fresh paper, precisely balanced margins, Extremely Fine Gem, a superb stamp, with 2010 P.S.A.G. certificate (98 ogNH)
228 ★	<b>5c Blue, Coil (396).</b> Guide line pair, right stamp Mint N.H., left stamp lightly hinged, beautiful deep shade, well-centered, Very Fine, ex Hillmer, with 1975 A.P.S. and 2009 P.S.E. certificates (OGph, VF 80; SMQ \$350.00)
229	<b>5c Blue, Coil (396).</b> Wide balanced margins, deep rich color, cancelled by New York datestamp, Extremely Fine Gem, with 2009 P.S.E. certificate (XF-Superb 95; SMQ \$450.00), only two have graded higher (at 98)
230	<b>5c Blue, Coil (396).</b> Pair, fresh color and paper, wide margins with choice centering, unobtrusive duplex cancel, P.S.E. mentions shorter perf at upper left but it is fully formed so we believe a harsh call, Extremely Fine, with 1992 P.F. and 2006 P.S.E. certificates (XF 90; SMQ \$600.00), we gather this would have graded 95 without the perf call
231	<b>5c Blue, Coil (396).</b> Guide line pair, intense color on fresh paper, double oval cancel, Very Fine, a scarce used guide line pair, with 1995 P.F. certificate

## PANAMA-PACIFIC ISSUE







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234 E **5c Panama-Pacific, Composite Photographic Essay (399-E1).** Photo of wash drawing of frame design as adopted with photo of wash drawing of adopted vignette (showing the steamship below the sun), additional hand touch-up of vignette in wash, mounted in place on 97 x 73mm thick gray card, with "Approved July 16, 1912 Frank H. Hitchcock Postmaster General", Very Fine and most likely unique, ex Livingston................................... 1,500.00









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242 ★⊞ 10c Orange, Panama-Pacific (400A). Bottom plate no. 6130 block of six, disturbed original gum from hinge removal, left vertical row some expertly rejoined perf separations, rich color and proof-like impression on bright paper

VERY FINE APPEARING PLATE NUMBER BLOCK OF THE 10-CENT ORANGE PERF 12 PANAMAPACIFIC.



243 ★★⊞ 1c Panama-Pacific, Perf 10 (401). Mint N.H. right plate no. 6944 block of six, intense shade and impression on bright paper, left center stamp tiny natural inclusion, Extremely Fine, with 1996 P.F. certificate .................................. 650.00







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- 245 ★★⊞ 2c Panama-Pacific, Perf 10 (402). Mint N.H. bottom plate no. 7039 block of six with extra wide selvage, pretty pastel color, light natural pre-printing paper fold in left margin, natural vertical gum skip right pair, Very Fine-Extremely Fine, with 1984 P.F. certificate ... 3,250.00





249 \*\* 10c Panama-Pacific, Perf 10 (404). Mint N.H., vibrant color and proof-like impression on post-office fresh paper, almost perfectly centered with wide margins

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A SPECTACULAR EXAMPLE OF THE 10-CENT PANAMA-PACIFIC PERF 10, WHICH HAS BEEN AWARDED THE GRADE OF SUPERB 98 BY P.S.E.

Long before numerical grading, the rarity of 10c Panama-Pacific Perf 10 stamps in superb condition (hinged or not) was well-established. The 10-gauge perfs on this issue are almost always uneven or shortened from separation. Centering is rarely above Fine. Finally, the Orange ink on many examples has darkened. This stamp is the exception on all counts.



250 ★⊞ 10c Panama-Pacific, Perf 10 (404). Top plate no. 6130 block of six with extra wide selvage, stamps Mint N.H., lightly hinged in selvage only, vivid color and detailed impression, choice centering, diagonal crease (caused during production) affects top right and top center stamps and top left selvage

VERY FINE-EXTREMELY FINE APPEARANCE. THIS PLATE BLOCK RARITY IS SELDOM FOUND WITH SUCH CHOICE CENTERING.

#### 1912-14 ISSUE AND COILS



7c Black (407). Mint N.H., perfectly centered with wide 251 ★★ and balanced margins, intense shade and proof-like impression on post-office fresh paper

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EXTREMELY FINE GEM. THIS SPECTACULAR MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE 1914 7-CENT BLACK, SCOTT 407, HAS BEEN GRADED SUPERB 98 BY P.S.E. THIS IS THE HIGHEST GRADE AWARDED.

Ex Merlin. With 2011 P.S.E. certificate (Superb 98; SMQ \$3,600.00). Only two others share this grade, which is the highest awarded to any unused Scott 407 ...... 160.00

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252 ★★⊞ 7c Black (407). Mint N.H. top plate no. 6904 block of six with narrow selvage, intense shade and impression, few natural gum creases, Extremely Fine, scarce plate block ...... 2,000.00



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7c Black (407). Precise centering with wide margins, intense shade, neat oval registry cancel, Extremely Fine Gem, a superb stamp in every respect, ex Kirke, with 2011 P.F. and 2007 P.S.E. certificates (Superb 98; SMQ \$525.00), only two have graded higher (at 98J) and no others share this grade, this Perf 12 7c issue was only in use for five months before the new Perf 10 stamps were issued (Scott 430), this accounts for their rarity in higher grades in both unused and used condition ..... 14.00

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1c Green, Kansas City Roulette (408 var). Right plate no. 6018 block of six, original gum, h.r., rich color, two with small thin spots, Very Fine appearance, a scarce plate block, Scott Catalogue and other sources note that in late 1914 the Post Office in Kansas City Mo. had on hand a stock of imperforate sheets originally intended for use in vending machines, the postmaster, W. N. Collins, sent some clerks to the local dry goods store where they bought 15 inexpensive dressmaker's tracing wheels, each wheel was slightly different, the earliest documented use of either is Oct. 22, 1914 (the 1c), they were taken off of sale on January 14, 1915, nine days after official approval was given, large purple backstamp, with 2002 P.S.E. certificate..... E. 300-400



duplex on picture postcard, this is the earliest document use, stamp was affixed by the Simplex device which is unusual for a private correspondence, Very Fine, ex Berkun, with 2004 A.P.S. certificate E. 500-750 256 ⋈ 2c Carmine, Horizontal Imperforate Coil (409H). Miscut by affixing device, tied by "Madison Sq. Sta., N.Y., Dec 17 1914" machine cancel on cover to Alfred, Maine, cover with slight aging and insignificant edge flaws, Fine appearance, when this was offered in the 2006 Berkun sale it was the only recorded example on cover, since then one other has been found (Apr. 12, 1913 use), with 2000 A.P.S. certificate identifying it as the earliest documented use ...... E. 1,000-1,500 2c Carmine, Vertical Imperforate Coil (409V). Guide line pair at bottom of strip of eight, 257 rich color, New York duplex cancels, top six stamps with light creases, top stamp with small thin spot, Fine appearance, rare used multiple, with 2001 P.F. certificate ..... E. 300-400 2c Carmine, Vertical Imperforate Coil (409V). Affixed by Simplex device, tied by  $258 \bowtie$ "Chicago, Ill., May 29 1912" machine cancel on cover to Washington, D.C. (May 31 backstamp), this is the earliest documented use, cover with Rock Island Lines railroad corner card, edge faults to cover not affecting adhesive, Fine appearance, ex Berkun, with 2004 A.P.S. certificate E. 400-500 1c Green, Coil (410). Tied by "Chicago III. Apr. 17, 1912 7-00 PM" machine cancel on  $259 \bowtie$ illustrated postcard depicting Chicago, addressed to College Hill O., minor corner bends, Very Fine, the earliest documented use of Scott 410, ex Berkun, with 2000 A.P.S. certifi-



- 260 \*\* 1c-2c 1912 Coils (411-413). Mint N.H. guide line strips of four, fresh colors, Fine, Nos. 412-413 with 2001 P.F. certificates......(Photo Ex) 1,355.00
- 261 \*\* 1c Green, Coil (412). Mint N.H. guide line pair, beautifully centered, deep rich color on bright paper, Extremely Fine Gem, with 1995 P.S.E. and 2006 P.F. certificates (XF-Superb 95) 260.00



- 273 ★★⊞ **20c Ultramarine (419).** Mint N.H. bottom plate no. 6920 block of six with narrow selvage, rich color on bright paper, Fine-Very Fine, with 2012 P.S.E. certificate................. 3,500.00







278 ★★ **50c Violet (421).** Mint N.H., intense shade and impression on post-office fresh paper, perfectly centered with wide and balanced margins, long and full perforations all around EXTREMELY FINE GEM. THIS MAGNIFICENT EXAMPLE OF SCOTT 421 HAS BEEN AWARDED THE GRADE OF SUPERB 98 BY P.S.E. — THIS IS THE HIGHEST GRADE AWARDED TO DATE AND ONLY THREE OTHERS SHARE THIS EXALTED GRADE.



279 ★⊞ 50c Violet (421). Top plate no. 7057 block of six with wide selvage, lightly hinged, pretty shade, unusually choice centering

EXTREMELY FINE. AN EXTREMELY RARE AND DESIRABLE TOP PLATE NUMBER BLOCK OF SIX OF THE 50-CENT PERF 12 WITH SINGLE-LINE WATERMARK.

As a measure of rarity, the Wampler collection had a hinged top plate block, and the Fogelson collection did not have a Scott 421 plate block (both Shreves sales). Our sale of the MLG collection also did not contain one. The only examples contained in Power Search are from the left position (7049, offered in Sale 1078), another left position (7940, offered in 2006) and from the top position (7057, offered in our 2014 Rarities sale)

10,000.00



- 282 ★ **50c Violet (422).** Lightly hinged, intense shade and impression, fresh and Extremely Fine, with 2007 P.S.E. certificate (OGph, XF-Superb 95; SMQ \$550.00)............................ 225.00



283 ★⊞ **50c Violet (422).** Top imprint, plate no. 5749 and letter "A" block of six, lightly hinged, rich color

VERY FINE. A RARE AND DESIRABLE TOP POSITION PLATE BLOCK OF THE 50-CENT PERF 12 DOUBLE-LINE WATERMARKED ISSUE.

We have offered only four other top position plate blocks of Scott 422 since keeping computerized records, each of which was hinged. We have also offered two from the bottom position, with narrow selvage.

With 1985 P.F. certificate...... 4,750.00

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286 ★⊞ \$1.00 Violet Brown (423). Wide top imprint, plate no. 5782 and letter "A" block of six, lightly hinged, deep rich color, fresh and intact

EXTREMELY FINE. A SPECTACULAR TOP IMPRINT AND PLATE NUMBER BLOCK OF SIX OF THE \$1.00~1912~DOUBLE-LINE WATERMARKED FRANKLIN ISSUE. EASILY ONE OF THE FINEST IN EXISTENCE.

Scott 423 was printed from a single plate, which had plate numbers at top and bottom. This is one of the rarest of the Washington-Franklin Issue plate blocks. Lewis Kaufman records nine top and two bottom plate blocks.

### 1914 COMPOUND PERFORATIONS



287 \*\* 1c Green, Perf 12 x 10 (423A). Mint N.H. vertical pair, deep rich color, top stamp had tiny corner perf crease at top left, perf has since been removed without affecting its appearance

FRESH AND FINE. THESE ARE THE ONLY RECORDED MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLES OF THE ONE-CENT 1914 COMPOUND PERF 12 x 10 ISSUE. TWO OF ONLY SEVENTEEN RECORDED UNUSED EXAMPLES, AND ONE OF ONLY TWO PAIRS CONTAINED IN OUR RECORDS.

Our census of Scott 423A, available from our website at: http://siegelauctions.com/dynamic/census/423A/423A.pdf, contains nine unused singles, two vertical pairs and a block of four, for a total of seventeen unused copies. All genuine stamps are off-center, as is the pair offered here.

This pair was included in our original census, based on the catalogue description from a 1946 Costales auction of the Colonel Green collection. This item was rediscovered by us in 2004 when looking through several file cabinets of unused and used stamps in an estate collection.



288 **1c Green, Perf 12 x 10 (423A).** Deep rich color, face-free town cancel, unusually choice centering for this difficult issue with perfs well clear all around, small thin spot

VERY FINE APPEARANCE. AN ATTRACTIVE EXAMPLE OF THE 1914 ONE-CENT COMPOUND PERF 12  $\times$  10 ISSUE.

Our census of Scott 423A, available from our website at: http://siegelauctions.com/dynamic/census/423A/423A.pdf, contains 35 used singles, five used pairs, the unique used block of four and three covers (one with a pair).

Census No. 423A-CAN-18. With 1980 P.F. certificate (as old Scott No. 424a) .... 6,000.00



289 **2c Rose Red, Ty. I, Perf 12 x 10 (423B).** Choice centering, fresh and bright color, machine cancel, small corner perf crease at top right

VERY FINE APPEARING EXAMPLE OF THE RARE 2-CENT 1914 COMPOUND PERF 12 x 10 ISSUE.

Our census of Scott 423B, available at http://siegelauctions.com/dynamic/census/423B/423B.pdf, records 31 used and one unused example of this great rarity. A significant portion of the surviving population has faults or is off-center.



5c Blue, Perf 12 x 10 (423C). Horizontal pair, deep rich color, unobtrusive cancel, left stamp vertical creases, right stamp small tear

FINE APPEARANCE. THIS IS THE ONLY RECORDED PAIR OF THE 1914 5-CENT WITH 12 x 10 COMPOUND PERFORATION. A GREAT RARITY

Our census of Scott 423C, available at http://siegelauctions.com/dynamic/census/423C/423C.pdf, contains 25 used examples. While at one time two pairs were known, the vertical pair was separated leaving only this horizontal pair intact.



291

291 **1c Green, Perf 10 x 12 (423D).** Deep rich color on bright white paper, neat "Dayton Ohio" precancel, corner creases bottom left and top right, small natural inclusion in top of Washington's head

VERY FINE APPEARING EXAMPLE OF THE RARE 1914 ONE-CENT COMPOUND PERF 10 x 12 ISSUE

Our census of Scott 423D, available at http://siegelauctions.com/dynamic/census/423D/423D.pdf, contains 47 stamps and two on postcards, for a total of 49 stamps. All are used. A significant number (38) are precancelled at Dayton.

## END OF SESSION ONE

# SESSION TWO (LOTS 292-422) TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2015, AT 10:30 A.M.

### 1913-15 ISSUE

292 ★⊞ 1c Green, Vertical Pair, Imperforate Horizontally (424c). Block of four, few small h.r., attractive shade, typical centering for this scarce variety, Fine, this is the first block we have offered since keeping computerized records, with 1964 P.F. certificate, Scott Retail as two pairs ...... 6,000.00



292



293 ★★ 5c Blue (428). Mint N.H., deep rich color and proof-like impression, perfectly centered, Extremely Fine Gem, with 2009 P.S.E. certificate (Superb 98; SMQ \$1,850.00), this is the highest grade awarded and only four others 



- 294 ★★ 5c Blue (428). Mint N.H., pretty shade, wide and balanced margins, Extremely Fine
- 5c Blue (428). Tied by "New York N.Y. Dec. 2 9:30 AM 1914 Sta. O." machine cancel on  $295 \bowtie$ cover to Yokohama, Japan, Very Fine, this is the earliest documented use of Scott 428, ex Berkun, with 2002 Å.P.S. certificate...... E. 500-750



296 ★★ 6c Red Orange (429). Mint N.H., rich color, wide margins, Extremely Fine Gem, with 297 ★★⊞ 6c Red Orange (429). Mint N.H. wide top imprint, star and plate no. 5430 block of six, vivid color on bright paper, post-office fresh and intact, Very Fine, a scarce wide top 298 ★★⊞ 6c Red Orange (429). Mint N.H. left imprint, star and plate no. 5430 block of six, vivid color on bright paper, post-office fresh and intact, few usual natural gum skips, Very 7c Black (430). Lightly hinged, intense shade and impression, perfectly centered with 299 ★ Jumbo margins, Extremely Fine Gem, with 2010 P.S.A.G. certificate (Superb 98) .. 90.00 7c Black (430). Left plate no. 6936 block of six, crisp impression, light natral gum bend 300 ★⊞ 8c Pale Olive Green (431). Wide top imprint, plate no. 5725 and "A" block of six, two 301 ★⊞ stamps at top right lightly hinged, others Mint N.H., pretty shade, fresh and Very Fine, 8c Pale Olive Green (431). Perfectly centered, pretty shade, face-free cancel, Extremely 302 Fine Gem, with 2013 P.S.E. certificate (Gem 100; unpriced in SMQ above the grade of 98, SMQ \$425.00 as 98), this is the highest grade awarded and the only stamp to achieve





309 ★⊞ 20c Ultramarine (438). Bottom plate no. 6908 block of six with unusually wide selvage, five stamps Mint N.H., top center stamp lightly hinged, brilliant color, Very Fine and choice, an attractive plate block ........... 3,250.00

309

310 \*\* 30c Orange Red (439). Mint N.H., brilliant color on bright paper, choice centering with wide and balanced margins

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A SUPERB MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE 1914 30-CENT PERF 10 SINGLE-LINE WATERMARKED ISSUE.

With 2005 P.S.E. certificate (XF-Superb 95; SMQ \$3,000.00). Only six have graded higher (the highest is a 98) and only five others share this grade..... 500.00



310



312 ★⊞ 30c Orange Red (439). Bottom plate no. 6917 block of six, lightly hinged, vibrant color, fresh and Very Fine..... 4,000.00



312



313 ★ 50c Violet (440). Lightly hinged, brilliant color, choice centering with Jumbo margins, Extremely Fine Gem, with 2007 P.S.E. certificate (OGph, XF-Superb 95 Jumbo; SMQ \$1,000.00 as 95, \$2,250.00 as 98) ....

450.00

50c Violet (440). Huge margins and perfectly centered, vibrant color, face-free cancel, Extremely Fine Gem, an outstanding stamp, ex Kirke, with 1995 P.F. and 2009 P.S.E. certificates (Superb 98; SMQ \$700.00), only one has graded higher (at 98J) and this is the only example graded Superb 98..... 20.00





315 ★★⊞ 50c Violet (440). Left plate no. 7042 block of six, Mint N.H. and unpriced as such in Scott, vivid color, beautifully margined and centered, light gripper marks on left stamps

VERY FINE-EXTREMELY FINE. AN INCREDIBLY RARE MINT NEVER-HINGED PLATE BLOCK OF THE 1915 50-CENT PERF 10 WITH SINGLE-LINE WATERMARK.

This plate block is extremely rare in any gum condition — this and the example offered in the following lot are only the second and third plate blocks we have offered in eight years. We have not offered a Mint N.H. plate block in all of our sales since 1993 and our Rarities sales dating back to 1964.

With 2006 P.S.E. certificate. Unpriced in Scott as Mint N.H. Scott Retail as hinged...... 15,000.00



316

316 ★⊞ **50c Violet (440).** Right plate no. 7049 block of six, pos. 3, 5 and 6 Mint N.H., other stamps lightly hinged, rich color on bright paper, choice margins and centering

VERY FINE-EXTREMELY FINE. A BEAUTIFUL  $\,$  AND RARE PLATE BLOCK OF THE 1915 50-CENT PERF 10 WITH SINGLE-LINE WATERMARK.

This is and the example offered in the previous lot are only the second and third plate blocks we have offered in eight years.

### **1914 COILS**



2c Carmine, Ty. I, Coil (442). Mint N.H. guide line pair, radiant color, Extremely Fine, 317 ★★ 318 ★ 1c Green, Coil (443). Guide line pair, wide balanced margins, rich color, Extremely Fine 1c Green, Coil (443). Guide line pair, intense shade and impression, tied by "Newcastle 319 ⋈ Pa. Mar. 12-15 6-PM" machine cancel on Covel Manufacturing Co. (Filstrup) cover to Benton Harbor Mich., receiving backstamp, fresh and Very Fine, a scarce use of a guide 320 2c Carmine, Coil (444). Wide margins and essentially perfect centering, vibrant color, light wavy-line machine cancel, Extremely Fine Gem, ex Kirke, with 2011 P.F. and 2008 P.S.E. certificates (Superb 98; SMQ \$600.00), only two have graded higher (at 100)....... 2c Carmine, Coil (444). Guide line pair, exceptional centering, bright color, neat wavy-321 line machine cancel, Extremely Fine, with 2006 P.S.E. certificate (XF 90; SMQ \$1,150.00), only one used line pair has been graded higher (at 95) and only one other 3c Violet, Coil (445). Lightly hinged, deep rich color, wide margins, Very Fine and 322 ★ 

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323 ★★



3c Violet, Coil (445). Mint N.H. guide line pair, deep rich color on fresh paper, choice centering with wide margins

EXTREMELY FINE MINT NEVER-HINGED PAIR OF THE 3-CENT SINGLE-LINE WATERMARKED PERF 10 COIL, SCOTT 445.

With 1977 and 1998 P.F. certificates. With 2008 P.S.E. certificate (XF 90; SMQ \$2,000.00). 2,600.00





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324 ★ 3c Violet, Coil (445). Guide line pair, nicely centered, rich color, left slight gum disturbance from hinge removal, Very Fine, with 1996 P.S.E. certificate as "original gum" 3c Violet, Coil (445). Beautifully balanced margins, 325 intense shade, wavy-line machine cancel, Extremely Fine, 326 3c Violet, Coil (445). Pair, intense color and detailed impression, wide margins, neat strike of "Benton Harbor Mich. Apr. 11" duplex cancel, fresh and Very Fine, with 1988 and 2002 P.F. certificates...... 750.00



325





327 3c Violet, Coil (445). Paste up pair with plate no. 6044 underneath tab, intense shade, very light cancel, Fine and scarce, with 2007 P.F. certificate, Scott Retail as normal used

328 3c Violet, Coil (445). Guide line pair, rich color, wide margins, duplex cancel, Very Fine and rare, the 3c stamps were used primarily for special mailings such as samples and pamphlets and so relatively few used examples were saved — particularly line pairs, with 



329 3c Violet, Coil (445). Guide line strip of four, well-centered, deep rich color, duplex

> FINE AND EXTREMELY RARE USED GUIDE LINE STRIP OF FOUR OF THE 3-CENT SINGLE-LINE WATERMARKED PERF 10 HORIZONTAL COIL, SCOTT 445.



330 ★★ 4c Brown, Coil (446). Mint N.H., deep rich color on fresh paper, mathematically perfect centering

> EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A PERFECT MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE 1914 4-CENT PERF 10 SINGLE-LINE WATER-MARKED COIL, SCOTT 446 — GRADED GEM 100 BY P.S.E.

> With 2008 P.S.E. certificate (Gem 100; unpriced in SMQ above the grade of 98, \$2,400.00.00 as 98). No other single has achieved this grade (two pairs have graded 100J)......

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4c Brown, Coil (446). Mint N.H. 331 ★★ pair, Jumbo margins and choice centering, post-office fresh color and paper, Extremely Fine, ex Hoffman and Killian, with 2001 P.F. (for strip) and 2006 P.S.E. certificates (XF 90 Jumbo; SMQ \$1,200.00 as 90, \$2,400.00 as 95) ...... 650.00



331



332 ★ 4c Brown, Coil (446). Guide line pair, lightly hinged, Jumbo margins, rich color on crisp paper, Extremely Fine Gem, with 2007 P.S.E. certificate (XF-Superb 95 Jumbo; SMQ \$1,500.00 as 95, \$2,500.00 as 98)................. 700.00



<i>333</i> ★	hinged, lovely color, well-centered, Very Fine
334	4c Brown, Coil (446). Pair, bright and fresh, bold strikes of duplex cancels, ExtremelyFine, with 1996 P.F. certificate
335	<b>4c Brown, Coil (446).</b> Guide line pair, light duplex cancel, fresh color, Fine-Very Fine, with 2003 P.S.E. certificate (F 70; SMQ \$850.00)
336	<b>4c Brown, Coil (446).</b> Guide line pair, beautifully balanced margins, double-oval cancels, right stamp small margin tear at bottom right, left stamp small corner crease at top left, Extremely Fine appearance, with 1999 P.F. certificate
337 ★★	<b>5c Blue, Coil (447).</b> Mint N.H. guide line pair, wide margins and choice centering, intense color on bright white paper, light natural gum bends, Extremely Fine, with 1986 and 2013 P.F. certificates (XF 90 XQ)
338 ★★	<b>5c Blue, Coil (447).</b> Mint N.H. guide line strip of four, deep dark color, third stamp with natural gum crease, Very Fine and choice, with 1999 A.P.S. certificate 725.00
339	<b>5c Blue, Coil (447).</b> Guide line pair, wonderfully well-centered, deep rich color, bold double-oval cancel, Extremely Fine, with 2004 P.F. certificate
340	<b>5c Blue, Coil (447).</b> Guide line strip of four, exceptionally intense shade, neat double-oval cancels, a few minor perf separations in right pair, left stamp tiny tears and each with light creases, Fine appearing and scarce, Power Search failed to locate another used line strip of four, with 2001 P.F. certificate

## 1914-16 ROTARY PRESS COILS



1c Green, Coil (448). Mint N.H. joint line pair, bright color, Very Fine and choice, ex Scarsdale, with 1998 P.F. 

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## 2-CENT TYPE I ROTARY PRESS VERTICAL COIL

The 2c Type I rotary plate was used very briefly to make vertical coils issued in late 1915. It was briefly used because the Type I plate was not very deeply engraved and the curvature of the rotary press yielded impressions lacking in some of the details. The Bureau noticed this immediately, and quickly replaced it with the Type III plate (according to Scott, the EDU for No. 449 is Oct. 29, 1915, and the EDU for Type III is Dec. 10, 1915).



- 342 ★ 2c Red, Ty. I, Coil (449). Lightly hinged, bright color, two small corner creases, small signature in ink and pencil note on gum, appears Very Fine, ex Fox, with
- 2c Red, Ty. I, Coil (449). Pair, attractive margins and 343 ★ centering, characteristic rich color. FINE PAIR OF THE 1915 2-CENT TYPE I VERTICAL COIL. With 1997 P.F. certificate ...... 6,000.00



344 \*\* 2c Red, Ty. I, Coil (449). Mint N.H. joint line strip of four, top pair light purple "Jan 6, 1916" backstamp, bottom pair pencil notations on gum, perfectly even imperforate margins, characteristic deep Red color, detailed impression

VERY FINE. AN EXTRAORDINARILY RARE JOINT LINE STRIP OF FOUR OF THE 1915 2-CENT TYPE I VERTICAL COIL.

The 2c Type I rotary plate was used very briefly to make vertical coils issued in late 1915. It was briefly used because the Type I plate was not very deeply engraved and the curvature of the rotary press yielded impressions lacking in some of the details. The Bureau noticed this immediately, and quickly replaced it with the Type III plate (according to Scott, the EDU for No. 449 is Oct. 29, 1915, and the EDU for Type III is Dec. 10, 1915).

The joint line strip of four offered here is the only example contained in Power Search in Mint N.H. condition (despite the markings on the gum). The Zoellner collection contained a hinged example.

With 1972 and 2008 P.F. certificates, the latter stating Mint N.H.. Scott Retail as Mint N.H............... 39,000.00



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345 ★ 2c Red, Ty. I, Coil (449). Joint line pair, bright color, choice centering for this difficult Rotary coil issue

VERY FINE JOINT LINE PAIR OF THE 2-CENT VERTICAL COIL, SCOTT 449. VERY SCARCE IN ANY CONDITION.

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346 ★ 2c Red, Ty. I, Coil (449). Joint line pair, lightly hinged, attractive color in the characteristic shade

FINE. A RARE ORIGINAL-GUM JOINT LINE PAIR OF THE 2-CENT VERTICAL COIL, SCOTT 449.



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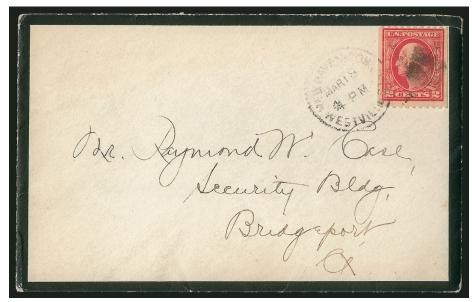


**2c Red, Ty. I, Coil (449).** Joint line pair, radiant color, duplex datestamp cancel, intact perfs and well clear at top and bottom, center perfs into bottom stamp, but this actually serves a good purpose by leaving the joint line complete, bottom stamp two light vertical creases

FINE APPEARANCE. AN EXTREMELY RARE USED JOINT LINE PAIR OF THE 2-CENT TYPE I VERTICAL COIL, SCOTT 449. ONE OF THE GREAT RARITIES OF UNITED STATES COIL COLLECTING.

The 2c Type I rotary plate was used very briefly to make vertical coils issued in late 1915. It was briefly used because the Type I plate was not very deeply engraved and the curvature of the rotary press yielded impressions lacking in some of the details. The Bureau noticed this immediately, and quickly replaced it with the Type III plate (according to Scott, the EDU for No. 449 is Oct. 29, 1915, and the EDU for Type III is Dec. 10, 1915).

Our census of Scott 449 used joint line pairs, available at our website at http://siegelauctions.com/dynamic/census/449/449.pdf, records a total of ten plus one in a strip of four. Of these at least six have faults.



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2c Red, Ty. I, Coil (449). Tied by "New Haven Conn. Westville Sta. Mar. 18, 1916? 4

PM" duplex cancel on mourning cover to Bridgeport Conn., matching enclosure acknowledging a sympathy message, Very Fine, with 2004 P.S.E. certificate..... 1,500.00



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  2c Carmine, Ty. III, Coil (450). Bright color, tied by bold "New York N.Y. Station O Dec. 21, 1915 5-PM" machine cancel on importer's corner card cover to Melrose Mass., stamp lifted and replaced to confirm watermark, Very Fine, the earliest documented use of Scott 450, ex Hadley and Berkun, with 1989 P.F. certificate ....... E. 400-500





353 ★★ 1c Green, Coil (452). Mint N.H. joint line pair, bright color, wide and balanced margins, Extremely Fine Gem, with 2008 P.S.E. certificate (XF-Superb 95; SMQ \$500.00). 160.00





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- 367 ★★ 4c Brown, Coil (457). Mint N.H. pair, rich color on fresh paper. wide and balanced margins, Extremely Fine Gem, with 2011 P.S.E. certificate (XF-Superb 95; SMQ \$400.00)............. 130.00



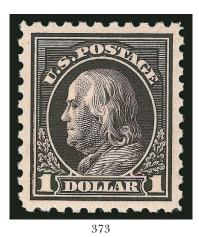


- 371 \*\* 2c Carmine, Ty. I, Imperforate Coil (459). Mint N.H. pair, brilliant color, ample margins, Very Fine........... 600.00
- 372 \*\* 2c Carmine, Ty. I, Imperforate Coil (459). Mint N.H. joint line pair with the usual crease between, fresh and Fine-Very Fine, with 1991 P.F. certificate ..... 875.00



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### 1915 ISSUE



373 ★★ \$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 WATER-MARKED \$1.00 FRANKLIN IS EASILY ONE OF THE FINEST IN EXISTENCE, AND IS GRADED

SUPERB 98 BY P.S.E. — THIS IS THE HIGHEST GRADE AWARDED.

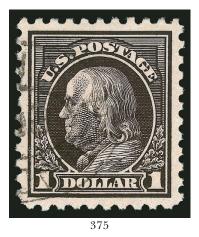
Even though this issue is not particularly rare, collectors who have been searching know the extreme difficulty of obtaining examples with perfect centering and in pristine condition.



374 ★⊞ \$1.00 Violet Black (460). Bottom imprint, plate no. 5782 and letter "A" block of six, five stamps Mint N.H., top center stamp h.r., intense shade and impression, well-centered, particularly in the top row

VERY FINE-EXTREMELY FINE. A BEAUTIFUL AND RARE PLATE BLOCK OF THE 1915~\$1.00 PERF 10~DOUBLE-LINE WATERMARKED ISSUE, SCOTT 460.

Lewis Kaufman records only six top and six bottom plate blocks for this issue. Plate 5782 was the only plate prepared for each of the \$1.00 Franklin issues (Scott 423, 460, 478 and 518).



**\$1.00 Violet Black (460).** Perfect centering with extra wide margins, bright shade on fresh paper, light oval registry cancel

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A SUPERB USED EXAMPLE OF THE \$1.00 1915 ISSUE, SCOTT 460, GRADED SUPERB 98 BY P.S.E. THIS IS THE ONLY STAMP TO RECEIVE THIS GRADE WITH NONE HIGHER.



\$1.00 Violet Black (460). Block of four, deep rich color, top stamps particularly well-

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## 1916-17 ISSUE



- 381 ★ 1c-\$2.00 1916-17 Issue (462-464, 466, 468, 473-474, 476, 478, 479). 1c-3c Mint N.H., most others lightly hinged, rich colors, \$1.00 with fault, otherwise Very Fine-Extremely Fine, five with certificates incl. No. 479 OGph 95......(Photo Ex) 1,531.00
- 382 ★★⊞ 3c Violet (464). Mint N.H. right plate no. 7258 block of six with wide selvage, deep rich color and proof-like impression, fresh and Fine-Very Fine, with 2001 P.F. certificate ...... 2,500.00

- 385 ★⊞ **5c Blue (466).** Bottom plate no. 7633 block of six with unusually wide selvage, deep rich color, lightly hinged, Very Fine and choice, a beautiful plate block ..................... 950.00

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387 \*\* 5c Carmine, Error (467). Mint N.H., intense shade and impression, perfectly centered with wide balanced margins

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A MAGNIFICENT MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE 5-CENT ROSE PERF 10 ERROR. ONE OF ONLY THREE TO ACHIEVE THE P.S.E. GRADE OF SUPERB 98 — THE HIGHEST GRADE AWARDED.





389 ★⊞ 5c Carmine, Error (467, 505). Two complete panes of 100 stamps, No. 467 in a double error, both error stamps Mint N.H., one stamp in the block of 12 hinged along with several others outside of the block, Fine, No. 505 in a single error, Mint N.H., Fine, Scott Retail as hinged error block of 12 plus Mint N.H. error block of nine............Not illustrated 2,800.00



391 ★★ 7c Black (469). Mint N.H., incredibly well-centered with beautiful balanced margins, clean impression on crisp paper

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. AN OUTSTANDING MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE 7-CENT PERF 10 UNWATERMARKED ISSUE, WHICH HAS BEEN GRADED SUPERB 98 BY P.S.E.

392 ★★⊞ 7c Black (469). Mint N.H. wide bottom plate no. 7719 block of six, intense shade on bright paper, choice centering and post-office fresh

EXTREMELY FINE. A SUPERB WIDE BOTTOM NUMBER BLOCK OF THE 7-CENT PERF 10 UNWATERMARKED WASHINGTON ISSUE.

Top or bottom plate blocks of the 7c Perf 10 Unwatermarked Issue are exceedingly scarce, especially in Mint N.H. condition. This wide bottom Mint N.H. plate block is one of the finest we have handled.

With 2005 P.F. certificate ... 2,500.00



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393 ★ 8c Olive Green (470). Single mark, Jumbo margins and essentially perfect centering, vivid color, fresh and Extremely Fine Gem quality, with 2007 P.S.E. certificate (OGh Superb 98 Jumbo; SMQ \$350.00 as 98), one of four graded 98 J (two hinged and two NH)....... 55.00

394 ★★⊞ 8c Olive Green (470). Mint N.H. wide right imprint and plate no. A 5724 block of six, vivid color, fresh and bright, natural diagonal flat plate bend, Very Fine and choice, a scarce Perf 10 Unwatermarked plate block, with 2005 P.F. certificate ................................ 900.00





397 ★★ $\boxplus$  9c Salmon Red (471). Mint N.H. left plate no. 6905 block of six, choice centering, bright color, natural vertical gum skips, Very Fine, an exceptionally well-centered plate block of the 9c Perf 10 Unwatermarked ...... 1,250.00

9c Salmon Red (471). Vibrant color, perfectly 398 centered with unusually wide margins, bold oval registry cancel at bottom left, Extremely Fine Gem, ex Kirke, with 2011 P.F. and 2009 P.S.E. certificate (Superb 98; SMQ \$900.00), this is the highest grade awarded and only two others 



399 ★★ 10c Orange Yellow (472). Mint N.H., vivid color and bright fresh paper, perfect centering with Jumbo margins, long and full perforations all around

> EXTREMELY FINE GEM. THIS BEAUTIFUL MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAM-PLE OF THE 1916 10-CENT PERF 10 UNWATERMARKED ISSUE HAS BEEN GRADED SUPERB 98 JUMBO BY P.S.E. — THIS IS THE ONLY 98 AWARDED AND COMPARES FAVORABLY TO THE TWO 100-POINT STAMPS.

> The 1916-17 Perf 10 Unwatermarked Issue (Scott 462-480) is difficult to obtain in the higher grades. The difference between this 98 Jumbo and the two 100-point examples of Scott 472 is a microscopic difference in margin balance; however, this stamp has noticeably wider margins.

> With 2009 P.S.E. certificate (Superb 98 Jumbo, SMQ \$4,750.00 as 98). This is the only 98J awarded (apart from the two 100's)...... 230.00

400 ★⊞ 10c Orange Yellow (472). Wide bottom plate no. 7205 block of six, barest trace of previous hinge, vivid color, choice centering, Very Fine, a desirable and very scarce wide bottom plate block...... 1,350.00







- 403 ★★ 15c Gray (475). Mint N.H., crisp shade on bright paper, perfectly centered with wide margins

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A REMARKABLE MINT NEVERHINGED EXAMPLE OF THE 1916 15-CENT PERF 10 UNWATERMARKED ISSUE, WHICH HAS BEEN GRADED SUPERB 98 BY P.S.E. — THIS IS THE HIGHEST GRADE AWARDED.



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405 ★⊞ **20c Light Ultramarine (476).** Left plate no. 6920 block of six, lightly hinged, pastel shade, Fine, a scarce plate block...... 3,600.00

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30c Orange Red, Perf 10 (476A). Position 72 from Plate 406 ★★ 6911, Mint N.H., vivid color, choice centering

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

> Ex Floyd and Gorham. With 1984, 1997 and 2006 P.F. certificates (last graded XF 90)...... 4,750.00



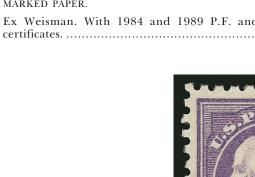
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30c Orange Red, Perf 10 (476A). Mint N.H., rich color, 407 ★★ centered to left but perfs clear

> A FINE MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE RARE 30-CENT PERF 10 WASHINGTON-FRANKLIN ON UNWATER-MARKED PAPER.

> Ex Weisman. With 1984 and 1989 P.F. and 1990 P.S.E



408 ★★ 50c Light Violet (477). Mint N.H., well-centered with bottom sheet selvage, bright color, fresh and Very Fine, with 2004 P.S.E. certificate for block .. 2,000.00





409 ★⊞ **50c Light Violet (477).** Right plate no. 7040 block of six, single small hinge remnant on top right stamp, others Mint N.H., vivid color in distinctive 50c 1917 shade, well-centered with only the perfs at the bottom close to but clear of the design, fresh and intact

VERY FINE. AN OUTSTANDING PLATE NUMBER BLOCK OF THE 50-CENT 1917 PERF 10 UNWATERMARKED FRANKLIN ISSUE. ONLY SEVEN PLATE BLOCKS OF SCOTT 477 ARE RECORDED, OF WHICH SIX ARE AVAILABLE TO COLLECTORS.

The 50c on unwatermarked paper with 10-gauge perforations was available in post-office stocks for a very brief period in 1917, because it was released shortly before the introduction of the new Perf 11 series. Its predecessors — the 50c Perf 12 on single and double-line watermarked paper (Scott 421 and 422), and the Perf 10 on single-line watermarked paper (Scott 440) — were available for much longer periods of time.

Lewis Kaufman records seven plate number blocks of Scott 477, including Top 4040, Top 4049, Top 4057 (Miller collection, The New York Public Library), Bottom 7057, Bottom 7057, Right 7040 (offered here) and Right 7057. When this plate block was offered in a 1988 Superb Auctions sale (the "Stearns-Dockweiler" collection), the selvage was slightly wider; it was reduced by about 2mm to remove some soiling at lower right, which does not materially affect the plate block and is not noted on the accompanying 2015 P.F. certificate.



410 ★⊞ \$1.00 Violet Black (478). Top imprint, plate no. 5782 and "A" block of six, 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 UNWATER-MARKED FRANKLIN ISSUE.

Lewis Kaufman records only nine top and four bottom plate blocks of Scott 478. Plate 5782 was the only plate prepared for each of the \$1.00 Franklin issues (Scott 423, 460, 478 and 518).



412 ⊞ \$2.00 Dark Blue (479). Block of 20 with bottom plate no. 8015 in selvage, neatly cancelled by multiple strikes of Washington D.C. double oval cancel, well-centered for such a large block, bottom two rows affected by diagonal creases (flat plate printing artifacts), otherwise Fine-Very Fine, with 2011 P.F. certificate...... E. 750-1,000





412

- 413 ⊞ **\$2.00 Dark Blue (479).** Bottom plate no. 8015 block of six, cancelled by bold strikes of Washington D.C. duplex datestamp and oval grid, slight crease along right vertical pair, otherwise Fine, scarce as a used plate block ....... E. 200-300





416 ★⊞ \$5.00 Light Green (480).

Top plate no. 8016 block of six, lightly hinged, brilliant color, choice centering, Very Fine and choice, a beautiful plate block.......................... 3,250.00

416

417 **\$5.00 Light Green (480).** Jumbo margins, radiant color, crisp impression, light strike of oval cancel

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A SUPERB USED EXAMPLE OF THE 1917 \$5.00 MARSHALL PERF 10, WHICH HAS BEEN GRADED SUPERB 98 BY P.S.E. — THIS IS THE HIGHEST GRADE AWARDED.

Ex Kirke. With 2012 P.F. and P.S.E. certificates (Superb 98; SMQ \$775.00). This is the highest used grade awarded and only one other has achieved it...... 40.00





- 418 ⊞ \$5.00 Light Green (480). Two large used blocks: bottom right sheet corner block of ten with plate no. 8016 and siderographer's initials in selvage, Washington D.C. Aug. 24, 1918 duplexes, some creases, mostly affecting left block of four, slight paper remnants, Fine appearance, other is a block of 20 with oval grid cancels, four stamps creased, one other has tear, Fine-Very Fine appearance.................(Photo Ex) E. 300-400



420 **2c Deep Rose, Ty. Ia, Imperforate, Schermack Ty. III Private Perforation (482A).** Deep rich color on bright paper, Schermack perforations intact at left, full margins other three sides, neat wavy-line machine cancel leaves design characteristics clearly visible, tiny tear inside top perf

FINE APPEARANCE. ONE OF ONLY 43 RECORDED EXAMPLES OF THIS MAJOR  $20\mathrm{TH}$  CENTURY RARITY.

Scott 482A, like its more famous predecessor, Scott 314A, was issued imperforate by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing and sold to the Schermack Company for use in its patented stamp-affixing machines. The Schermack "Sealer and Stamper" machine typically applied stamps one at a time, and, in most cases, the hyphen-hole perfs on one side would be cut off. Unlike Scott 314A, the release of imperforate sheets printed from the experimental Type Ia plates escaped the notice of contemporary collectors, and, therefore, this stamp has a very small survival rate.

Our census of Scott 482A, available at our website at http://siegelauctions.com/dynamic/census/482A/482A.pdf, records three covers, one unused single, a used pair and 37 used singles for a total of 43 stamps. Most examples are either cut well into the design or have the Schermack perfs trimmed away on one side.



421 ★★ 5c Carmine, Imperforate, Error (485). Mint N.H. single error in a block of 25, brilliant color, large margins all around including sheet margin at right with full arrow

EXTREMELY FINE. A BEAUTIFUL MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE 5-CENT CARMINE IMPERFORATE ERROR.

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.



422 ★⊞ **5c Carmine, Imperforate, Error (485).** Double error in block of twelve, top row lightly hinged, others (including both errors) Mint N.H., huge margins showing parts of all adjoining stamps, bright and fresh

EXTREMELY FINE EXAMPLE OF THE 5-CENT DOUBLE ERROR IN AN IMPERFORATE BLOCK OF TWELVE.

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## END OF SESSION TWO

# SESSION THREE (LOTS 423-649) TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2015, AT 1:30 P.M.

#### 1916-17 AND 1916-18 ROTARY PRESS COILS





424

- 2c Carmine, Farwell Ty. 4A4 Private Vending Machine Perforations (Farwell 482). Tied 423 ⋈ by "Chicago Ill. Feb. 27, 1917" postmark on window envelope, with John V. Farwell Co. accounting department return address, fresh and Very Fine, scarce, with 2008 A.P.S. certificate 1,250.00
- 494 \*\* 2c Carmine, Ty. II, Coil (487). Mint N.H. joint line pair, brilliant color, choice centering, Extremely Fine, ex Killian, with 1998 P.F. and 2006 P.S.E. certificates (VF-XF 85; SMQ
- 2c Carmine, Ty. II, Coil (487). Vivid color, tied by "Detroit Mich. Sep. 21, 1917 8:30  $495 \bowtie$ PM" machine cancel on Detroit Legal News Co. corner card cover to address in Detroit, Very Fine, the earliest documented use of Scott 487, ex Berkun, with 2001 A.P.S. certifi-

### 2-CENT TYPE II ROTARY UNWATERMARKED HORIZONTAL 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.

426 ★ 2c Carmine, Ty. II, Coil (491). Lightly hinged, wonderfully well-centered, fresh color and detailed impression

> EXTREMELY FINE. A BEAUTIFUL EXAMPLE OF THE RARE 2-CENT TYPE II PERF 10 HORIZONTAL COIL ON UNWATERMARKED PAPER.

> With 2002 P.F. certificate...... 2,500.00



427 \*\* 2c Carmine, Ty. II, Coil (491). Mint N.H. pair, rich color, detailed impression, wellcentered for this difficult issue

VERY FINE AND CHOICE MINT NEVER-HINGED PAIR OF THE 2-CENT ROTARY TYPE II.



428

428 ★★ 2c Carmine, Ty. II, Coil (491). Mint N.H. joint line pair, radiant color, detailed impression on crisp paper, margins wide at top and bottom, ample at sides

VERY FINE AND EXTREMELY RARE MINT NEVER-HINGED JOINT LINE PAIR OF THE 2-CENT ROTARY TYPE II.

This coil in joint line pair format is exceedingly rare in Mint N.H. condition. A review of our computerized records using Power Search revealed only three other Mint N.H. joint line pairs. The P.S.E. Population Report does not list any Mint N.H. line pair.



429 ★ 2c Carmine, Ty. II, Coil (491). Joint line pair, lightly hinged, strong color for this FINE-VERY FINE. A HANDSOME JOINT LINE PAIR OF THE RARE 2-CENT TYPE II PERF 10 HORIZONTAL COIL ON UNWATERMARKED PAPER.



430



431

2c Carmine, Ty. II, Coil (491). Pair, brilliant color, almost perfect centering, bold New York duplex cancel, both stamps with light creases, a few minor perf separations, Extremely Fine appearance, with copy of 1999 P.F. certificate for strip of three ..... 3,750.00



432

**2c Carmine, Ty. II, Coil (491).** Joint line pair, deep rich color and proof-like impression, neat strikes of Atlanta Ga. Jul. 19, 1916 duplex cancels

EXTREMELY FINE. A SUPERB USED EXAMPLE OF THE EXTREMELY RARE 2-CENT ROTARY TYPE II JOINT LINE PAIR. WE RECORD ONLY NINE USED JOINT LINE MULTIPLES.

Unlike many 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.

Our census of used joint line multiples of Scott 491, available at our website at http://siegelauctions.com/dynamic/census/491/491.pdf, records six joint line pairs, a strip of three, a strip of four and a strip of five.

Census No. 491-CAN-LP-03. Our updated census of used joint line pairs of Scott 491 contains seven line pairs, one line strip of three, one line strip of four and a line strip of five.



- 433 ⋈ 2c Carmine, Ty. II, Coil (491). Machine separated removing left perfs but leaving intact perfs at right, tied by "New York N.Y. Hudson Ter. Sta. 5 Mar. 26, 1917 5:30 PM" machine cancel on American Law Book Co. window envelope, Very Fine and rare on cover, Power Search located only two other covers, with 1994 P.F. certificate.... 1,100.00
- 434 ★★ 3c Violet, Ty. I, Coil (493). Mint N.H. joint line strip of four, bright color, perfect
- 4c Orange Brown, Coil (495). Mint N.H. joint line pair, brilliant color, perfect centering, 435 ★★ Extremely Fine Gem, a marvelous joint line pair, with 2009 P.S.E. certificate (Superb 98; SMQ \$1,500.00), only four others share this grade, the highest awarded ............. 160.00
- 436 ★★ 5c Blue, Coil (496). Mint N.H. joint line pair, rich color and detailed impression, wide and well-balanced margins, Extremely Fine Gem, with 2010 P.S.E. certificate (Superb 98;
- 437 ⋈ 5c Blue, Coil (496). Tied by "New York N.Y. Hudson Term. Sta. 8 Apr. 15, 1919 3 PM" machine cancel on Chas. Stork & Co. corner card cover to Copenhagen, Denmark, opened by censor and resealed with label, receiving backstamp, Very Fine, the earliest documented use of Scott 496, ex Berkun, with 2004 A.P.S. certificate ...... E. 500-750
- 438 ★★ 10c Orange Yellow, Coil (497). Mint N.H. joint line strip of four, brilliant color,

SIEGEL AUCTION GALLERIES

## 1917-19 ISSUE

## AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES BOOKLET PANES

The A.E.F. booklet panes were issued in September 1917, primarily for use by the American Expeditionary Forces in Europe during World War I. Only 3,000 panes were prepared of both the 1c and 2c denominations. By October they were no longer needed, as Congress voted to allow mail to be sent free of charge by active members of the Armed Forces. Many of the panes were destroyed.



439 ★★ 1c Green, A.E.F. Booklet Pane (498f). Mint N.H., Position W6 with right tab and guide lines at left and bottom, deep rich color, fresh and Very Fine Mint N.H. pane . 1,700.00





441 ★ 2c Rose, Ty. I, A.E.F. Booklet Pane (499f). Position W3 or W9, lightly hinged, brilliant color

FINE-VERY FINE. A RARE EXAMPLE OF THE 2-CENT A.E.F. BOOKLET PANE. IT IS BELIEVED THAT NO MORE THAN 20 EXIST IN ANY CONDITION.

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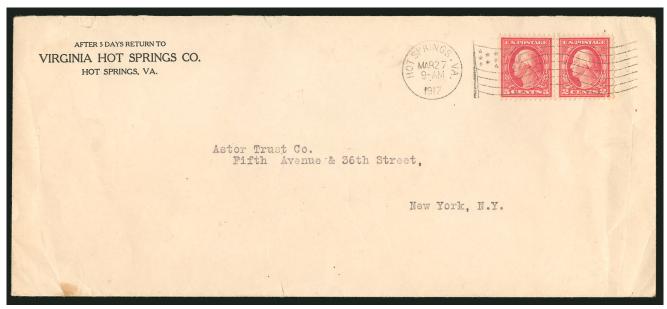
- 443 ★★⊞ **2c Deep Rose, Ty. Ia (500).** Top plate no. F10208 block of six, stamps Mint N.H. (hinged in selvage), Very Good-Fine centering, Scott Retail as Mint N.H. singles ............ 3,300.00

- 446 ⊞ **2c Deep Rose, Ty. Ia (500).** Right plate no. 10209 block of six, Toledo O. oval cancels, toned and slight thin at lower left, Very Good-Fine centering, quite possibly the only extant used plate block of the 2c Type Ia ...... E. 750-1,000

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- 448 ⋈ 3c Dark Violet, Ty. II (502). Average centering, deep shade, tied by Chicago Ill. Jan. 30, 1918 slogan machine cancel on window envelope with Empire Art Co. corner card, Fine, the earliest documented use of the 3c Type II Perf 11, with 2004 A.P.S. certificate (this EDU has held up for more than 10 years)....................... E. 200-300



5c Rose, Error (505). In horizontal pair with normal 2c stamp, tied by clearly struck "Hot Springs Va. Mar. 27, 1917" machine flag cancel on legal-size cover to New York, printed return address at top left for Virginia Hot Springs Co., minor cover wear VERY FINE. THE EARLIEST DOCUMENTED USE OF THE PERF 11 5-CENT ROSE ERROR AND

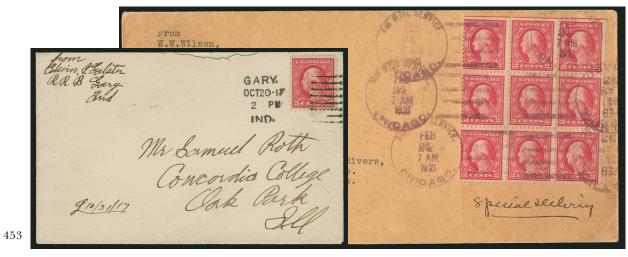
VERY FINE. THE EARLIEST DOCUMENTED USE OF THE PERF 11 5-CENT ROSE ERROR AND ALSO OF THE 2-CENT (SCOTT 499). AN IMPORTANT 20TH CENTURY UNITED STATES COVER.

Only one other cover is known used on this date, bearing a single of Scott 505. The cover offered here — the earliest known use for the two Scott-listed stamps — is unique. It was apparently stamped for the double 2c rate due its weight, and the sender was unaware of the 5c error.

Ex Grunin, Twigg-Smith (realized \$26,000 in our Sale 835) and Boker.. E. 7,500-10,000



452 detail





- 457 **10c Orange Yellow (510).** Jumbo margins and precise centering, fiery color on bright white paper, Extremely Fine Gem, ex Kirke, with 2011 P.F. and 2005 P.S.E. certificates (Superb 98 Jumbo; SMQ \$275.00 as 98, unpriced in higher grade), one of five 98]'s, only two have graded higher ..... 0.25



464 ★★⊞ **50c Red Violet (517).** Mint N.H. wide bottom plate no. 13653 block of six, superb centering throughout, brilliant color and remarkably fresh

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A TRULY OUTSTANDING WIDE-MARGIN PLATE NUMBER BLOCK OF THE 50-CENT 1917 PERF 11 FRANKLIN ISSUE.

With 2005 P.F. certificate ... 2,550.00









467





469 ⊞ \$1.00 Violet Brown (518). Bottom imprint, plate no. 5782 and letter "A" block of 30, cancelled by multiple strikes of Washington D.C. Mar. 6, 1918 datestamp and duplex grid, a few of the strikes indent paper, a few stamps with slight creasing, perhaps another minor flaw or two, overall Fine-Very Fine, a remarkable large used multiple of this dollar-value Washington-Franklin Issue, unpriced in Scott as a used plate block ...... E. 500-750



471

470 ⋈ \$1.00 Violet Brown (518). Used on two Federal Reserve Bank registered mail tags, first has a block of nine with three other values from Los Angeles to New York City, Jan. 8, 1919, second with single and other values incl. 30c and 50c, all with perfin initials, used from Boston to Springfield Mass., Sep. 16, 1919, Fine-Very Fine ......(**Photo Ex**) E. 200-300

**\$1.00 Violet Brown (518).** Tied by Akron O. Oct. 28, 1933 471 ⋈ wavy-line machine cancel on Graf Zeppelin Century of Progress Akron-Seville (Spain) cacheted flight cover to Baltimore, appropriate backstamps, Very Fine...... E. 300-400



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472

\$1.00 Deep Brown (518b). Lightly cancelled, wellcentered, rich color in the true Deep Brown shade, light creases, Very Fine appearance, scarce in used condition, 

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#### PERF 10 ON ONE SIDE VARIETIES

At a certain point during production one of the perforating wheels became defective. In the course of repairs part of one perforation wheel was inadvertently changed from Perf 11 to Perf 10. Based on the physical evidence of surviving copies, this was the nineteenth row of pins on the wheel.

Many examples of the Perf 10 on One Side rarities show transitional perfs from 10 to 11 or from 11 to 10. This is because the out-of-gauge perforation pins would frequently cross the span of more than one stamp, depending on where the wheel contacted the sheet.

The Perf 10 on One Side varieties span both the 1917 Washington-Franklin and 1922-23 Issues. It is interesting to note that, apart from the 2c, there is no duplication of denomination between the issues. This would seem to indicate that the improperly repaired wheel was in use for only a short period of time, as there was little overlap in production of the issues. Based on dates of issue of the basic stamps, this probably occurred early in 1923.



473

**6c Red Orange, Perf 10 at Bottom (506a).** Fresh color, light circular datestamp at right leaves most of design clearly visible, small corner crease and small crease, three short perfs not noted on certificate

VERY FINE CENTERING. ONE OF 20 RECORDED EXAMPLES OF THIS PERFORATION VARIETY.

Our census of Scott 506a, available at our website at http://siege-lauctions.com/dynamic/census/506a/506a.pdf, contains 19 used copies and one unused example. Of the 19 used copies, only seven singles and two in a block have regular cancels — the others are precancelled. Only one of the handstamp-cancelled singles (with straight edge) and the two in the block are sound.

Census No. 506a-CAN-11. With 2003 P.F. certificate ..... 8,000.00



474

474 **8c Olive Bister, Perf 10 at Bottom (508c).** Brilliant color, choice centering for this difficult issue with wide margins, face-free cancel

EXTREMELY FINE. THIS MAY WELL BE THE FINEST EXAMPLE OF THE  $1917\,$  8-CENT PERF  $10\,$  AT TOP OR BOTTOM IN EXISTENCE. A PHENOMENAL RARITY.

Our census of Scott 508c, available at our website at http://siegelauctions.com/dynamic/census/508c/508c.pdf, contains sixteen certified and two uncertified examples of this rarity. Of these 18 copies only eight have regular cancels. Whittling the numbers down even further, three of the eight have faults, and only three of the five sound and handstamp/machine-cancelled copies could be considered well-centered (nos. 10, 15 and the example offered here).

9c Salmon Red, Perf 10 at Bottom (509a). Vivid color, centered to left, bold postal cancel

FINE. ONE OF ONLY TWO SOUND REGULARLY-CANCELLED EXAMPLES OF THE 1917 9-CENT PERF 10 AT TOP OR BOTTOM IN EXISTENCE. A GREAT RARITY.

Our census of Scott 509a, available at our website at http://siegelauctions.com/dynamic/census/509a/509a.pdf, contains a total of 27 used and one unused example of this rarity. Of the 27 used copies, fully 22 are precancelled. Only five have regular cancels. Of these five only two are sound (the copy offered here and no. 21) and both have similar centering.

Census No. 509a-CAN-01. Ex Twigg-Smith and Natalee Grace. With 1988 and 2001 P.F. certificates. ....... 7,500.00



475



476 ★⊞ 11c Light Green, Perf 10 at Bottom (511a). Top plate no. 13467 block of six, bottom left stamp transition perfs from 11 to 10, other two stamps at bottom perf 10 at bottom, bright color, center stamps lightly hinged, top center stamp tiny thin spot

VERY FINE APPEARANCE. AN EXTREMELY RARE PLATE BLOCK OF THE 11-CENT PERF 10 VARIETY. ONLY THREE SUCH PLATE BLOCKS ARE KNOWN. AN OUTSTANDING EXHIBITION PIECE.

We record the following plate blocks containing Scott 511a: 1) plate no. 13470 with two Perf 10 stamps in the bottom row, ex Zoellner; 2) plate no. 13467, off-center with perfs touching at right; 3) plate no. 13467, three Perf 10 stamps in the bottom row, including a transitional 11-to-10 gauge, the example offered here; 4) plate no. 13469 with two transitional and one Perf 10 stamp in the bottom row, ex Sirron collection (Siegel Sale 1001, lot 2077).



477

478 ★ 12c Claret Brown, Perf 10 at Bottom (512b). Lightly hinged, deep rich color, choice centering, surface scuffs

VERY FINE. AN EXCEPTIONALLY RARE UNUSED EXAMPLE OF THE 1917 12-CENT PERF 10 AT BOTTOM. ONE OF ONLY FOUR UNUSED STAMPS RECORDED IN OUR CENSUS.

Our census of Scott 512b, available at our website at http://siegelauctions.com/dynamic/census/512b/512b.pdf, contains only twelve used and four unused examples of this rarity (including a pair).

Census No. 512b-OG-04. With 2013 P.F. certificate .. 27,500.00



478



479 **12c Claret Brown, Perf 10 at Top (512b).** Bold cancel, deep rich color, small thin spot at top, small diagonal crease at bottom left

VERY FINE APPEARANCE. A RARE EXAMPLE OF THE 1917 12-CENT PERF 10 AT TOP. ONLY TWELVE USED EXAMPLES ARE KNOWN, AND THIS IS ONE OF ONLY FIVE EXAMPLES WITH A REGULAR CANCEL. A GREAT RARITY.

Our census of Scott 512b, available at our website at http://siegelauctions.com/dynamic/census/512b/512b.pdf, contains only twelve used and four unused examples of this rarity. For some reason none is well-centered. Seven of the twelve used examples have precancels. Only one of the five with regular cancel is confirmed as sound (no. 8), but it is off-center in two directions. Two others (nos. 2 and 3) need to be reexamined as they have very old certificates — one is from around 1950. The example offered here has margins wider than most and should be considered a very desirable example of this rarity.

#### 1917 PERF 11 DOUBLE-LINE WATERMARK

This stamp was created in 1917 when a small excess supply of the imperforate Scott 344 was returned by the New York City post office to the Bureau for credit. Rather than issue the credit, the Bureau perforated the sheets and returned them to the New York City post office for public sale.





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482

**2c Carmine (519).** Radiant shade and sharp impression on crisp white paper, light machine cancel VERY FINE. AN INCREDIBLY BEAUTIFUL USED EXAMPLE OF SCOTT 519. A TRUE CONDITION RARITY.

Experienced philatelists know that despite the availability of this issue in unused condition, it is extremely rare in well-centered sound used condition.

With 2003 P.F. certificate...... 1,750.00

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#### 1918 BI-COLORED ISSUE

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 earlier \$2.00 and \$5.00 issues (Scott 479 and 480) 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.





485

485 ★⊞ \$2.00 Orange Red & Black (523). Top double plate nos. 8177/8179 and arrow block of eight, rich colors with just a trace of oxidation at edges

VERY FINE AND SCARCE PLATE NUMBER BLOCK OF THE 1918 \$2.00 ORANGE RED & BLACK.

486 \$2.00 Orange Red & Black (523). Deep rich colors and detailed impressions, bright paper, phenomenal centering with Jumbo margins, unobtrusive strike of oval registry cancel

> EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A SUPERB USED EXAMPLE OF THE \$2.00 ORANGE RED & BLACK 1918 FRANKLIN ISSUE. THIS MAY WELL BE THE FINEST IN EXISTENCE — IT HAS BEEN AWARDED THE GRADE OF SUPERB 98 JUMBO BY P.S.E., WHICH IS THE HIGHEST GRADE AWARDED TO DATE. IT IS THE ONLY EXAMPLE TO ACHIEVE THIS GRADE.

> Ex Natalee Grace. With 1995 P.F. and 2009 P.S.E. certificates (Superb 98 Jumbo; unpriced in SMQ above the grade of 98, SMQ \$1,750.00 as 98). This is the highest grade awarded and only 98J...... 250.00



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- 487 \$2.00 Orange Red & Black (523). Jumbo margins, fresh colors, three clearly-struck registry double ovals, Extremely Fine, with 2008 P.S.E. certificate (XF 90 Jumbo; SMQ \$400.00 as 90, \$850.00 as 95)... 250.00
- 488 ⊞ \$2.00 Orange Red & Black (523). Bottom arrow block of four, neat Kansas City Federal Reserve cancels, bottom left stamp creases, Very Fine appearance, scarce used position block, Scott Retail as
- \$5.00 Deep Green & Black (524). Mint N.H., choice 489 ★★ centering, fresh color, Extremely Fine, with 1985 P.F. certificate ...... 360.00



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\$5.00 Deep Green & Black (524). Top double plate nos. 8178/8179 and arrow block of eight, rich colors, h.r. at bottom center, left stamps natural pre-printing paperfold, Very 

## 1918-20 OFFSET ISSUE



- 2c Carmine, Ty. V, Imperforate (533). Centerline block of four, huge margins, cancelled by multiple strikes of Benton Harbor Mich. Sep. 29, 1920 duplex datestamp and grid cancel, earliest documented use, Extremely Fine, ex Wagner, with 2003 A.P.S. certificate
- 496 ⊞ **2c Carmine, Ty. V, Imperforate (533).** Top plate no. 11260 block of six, cancelled by Benton Harbor Mich. Aug. 9, 1921 duplex datestamp and grid, creased at bottom right, Extremely Fine appearance................................. E. 200-300

498 \*\* 2c Carmine, Ty. VII, Imperforate (534B). Mint N.H., ample to large margins, rich color and fresh, light gum bends, Very Fine, with 1987 P.F. certificate.... 3,500.00



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499 ★ 2c Carmine, Ty. VII, Imperforate (534B). Horizontal pair, barest trace of hinging, large even margins, deep rich color, slight gum wrinkle

EXTREMELY FINE PAIR OF THE IMPERFORATE 2-CENT TYPE VII.

With 2000 P.F. certificate ... 3,750.00

**2c Carmine, Ty. VII, Imperforate (534B).** Full to large margins, lightly cancelled by duplex datestamp and grid with 1921 yeardate visible, Very Fine, scarce in sound used condition, with 2004 P.F. certificate ......... 1,400.00

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**2c Carmine, Ty. VII, Imperforate (534B).** Block of four with huge **25mm right sheet margin,** large margins other sides, intense shade and impression clearly showing the Ty. VII characteristics, bold strikes of "Chicago Ill. Hyde Park Sta. Dec. 27, 1921 9 AM" duplex cancels

EXTREMELY FINE GEM. A SUPERB AND EXCEEDINGLY RARE USED SHEET-MARGIN BLOCK OF THE 2-CENT TYPE VII OFFSET IMPERFORATE ISSUE.

Our informal review of auction catalogues and the records of the Philatelic Foundation found four blocks of four and nine pairs, of which only four are sound. This is the first block we have offered since our 2001 Twigg-Smith sale.

The Scott Catalogue pricing is in error as it values two used pairs higher than a used block — which is considerably rarer. Scott Retail as two used pairs .................................. 9,000.00



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  3c Violet, Ty. IV, Imperforate (535). Large margins to ample, tied by "San Diego Cal. Sep. 30, 1918 6PM" machine cancel on San Diego Society of Natural History corner card cover to Stanford University, pencil note on back "I have the advantage of you in not having to work with anything but shells—come up to see us", Very Fine, this is the earliest documented use of Scott 535, ex Berkun, with 2003 A.P.S. certificate...... E. 750-1,000

### 1919-21 ROTARY PRESS ISSUES

504 ★ 2c Carmine Rose, Ty. II, Rotary Perf 11 x 10 (539). Lightly hinged, bright fresh color, beautifully centered

EXTREMELY FINE EXAMPLE OF THE RARE 1919 2-CENT TYPE II ROTARY PRESS WASTE ISSUE, SCOTT 539.

The rotary waste sheets were rarely perforated in a uniform manner. Centered examples such as this are extremely rare.

Ex North Fork. With 1987 P.F. certificate...... 2,700.00



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**2c Carmine Rose, Ty. II, Rotary Perf 11 x 10 (539).** Rich color, neat wavy-line machine cancel, repaired pinhole, small toned spot in head

FINE APPEARANCE. AN EXCEEDINGLY RARE USED EXAMPLE OF THE 2-CENT TYPE II ROTARY PERF  $11\times 10$ . This is one of the rarest coil waste stamps in used condition. Only thirteen used singles are known.

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 an economical plan to salvage this waste by converting the leftovers from coil stamps into sheet stamps. This was accomplished by cutting the sheets into panes and running them through the flat-plate perforator for the horizontal perforations, giving the stamps perforations on all sides. The Type III design was far more plentiful (producing Scott 540) but a small number of Type II (Scott 539) was also produced.

Since Scott 539 was put through two different perforating machines (perforated 10 vertically on the rotary perforator during the coil part of production and then perforated 11 on the flat plate perforator), most of the stamps are off-center. The rotary press sheets also had a natural tendency to curl, making perforating on the flat plate perforator especially difficult.

Our census of Scott 539, and available at our website at http://www.siegelauctions.com/dynamic/census/539/539.pdf, records only thirteen used singles, one used block of four and one on cover. Most are off-center — only two have decent centering and are confirmed as sound.



507 \*\* 1c Green, Rotary Perf 11 (544). Mint N.H., deep rich color on bright paper, three balanced margins to clear at left, tiny perf hole tear at top left

FINE APPEARING AND RARE MINT NEVER-HINGED EXAMPLE OF THE 1923 ONE-CENT ROTARY PERF 11, SCOTT 544. PROBABLY FEWER THAN TEN EXIST IN MINT NEVER-HINGED CONDITION.

A small quantity of 1c Rotary Press stamps was perforated 11 at the end of 1922, using remainder sheets from the earlier experimental printings that were normally perforated in 10 gauge or 10/11 compound gauge. Its existence as a Perf 11 variety was discovered in 1936, and the stamp received its Scott Catalogue listing in 1938.

Most of the recorded copies of Scott 544 are off-center or have been damaged — the result of poor production standards and mis-handling.

1c Green, Rotary Perf 11 (544). Intense shade and impression, neat wavy-line machine cancel, small pinhole at upper left, corner crease at upper right, Very Fine appearance, with 1993 P.S.E. certificate... 3,750.00



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**1c Green, Rotary Perf 11 (544).** Horizontal pair, bright color, clear 1922 duplex cancel

> FINE. A RARE PAIR OF THE ONE-CENT PERF 11 ROTARY WASTE ISSUE, SCOTT 544. THIS IS ALSO A VERY EARLY USE.

> The earliest reported use of Scott 544 is December 17, 1922. Unfortunately the day of the cancel used on this pair is not known, but it would be in the first few weeks of use.

With 1974 and 1999 P.F. certificates. Scott Retail as singles...... 7,500.00



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1c Green, Rotary Perf 11 (544). Two horizontal pairs, tied by "San Francisco Calif. Mar. 18, 1924 10:30 PM" machine cancel on oversize cover with attorney's return address to Commissioner of patents in Washington D.C., second stamp with depression in paper from cancel at bottom left, third stamp tiny scrape at bottom right, fourth stamp with top right corner missing

A REMARKABLE FRANKING WITH TWO PAIRS OF THE RARE ONE-CENT ROTARY PERF 11 ISSUE, SCOTT 544. VERY FEW COVERS OR CARDS ARE KNOWN, AND THIS IS THE LARGEST MULTIPLE USE.

Ex Martin. With 2005 P.F. certificate. Scott Retail as off-cover singles \$15,000.00...... E. 5,000-7,500



- 511 ★ 1c Green, Rotary (545). Lightly hinged, rich color, detailed impression, Jumbo margins, Extremely Fine Gem, with 2000 P.F. and 2007 P.S.E. certificates (OGph, XF-Superb 95; SMQ \$450.00 as 95, unpriced as 98), this is the highest grade awarded in the OG category and none share it...... 170.00

- 516 

  2c Carmine Rose, Ty. III, Rotary (546). Tied by "New York N.Y. Sta. W Dec. 26, 1922 11-PM" machine cancel on locally addressed cover, fresh and Fine, with 1994 P.S.E. certificate........ 800.00

#### 1920 \$2.00 CARMINE & BLACK



517 ★⊞ \$2.00 Carmine & Black (547). Top double plate nos. 8177/8179 and arrow block of eight, lightly hinged, radiant colors, fresh and Very Fine, an attractive and desirable plate block ..... 4,000.00



518 \*\* \$2.00 Carmine & Black (547). Mint N.H., intense shade and impression, well-proportioned margins, fresh and Extremely Fine, with 2007 P.S.E. certificate (XF 90; SMQ \$475.00) .. 270.00

\$2.00 Carmine & Black (547). Complete sheet of 100 with selvage all around and double plate nos. at top, precancelled with Paterson N.J. roller cancel, selvage faults and "V" shaped piece out of selvage at top, perf separations as would be expected and some wrinkling, still Fine and extremely rare cancelled full sheet, Scott Retail as singles \$4,000.00 ...... E. 1,500-2,000

### 1922-29 AND LATER ISSUES



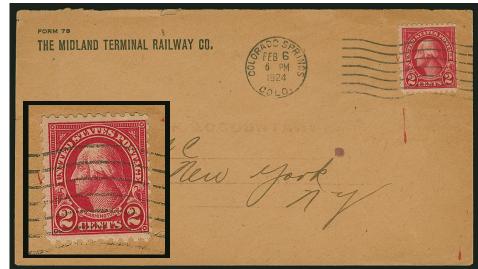


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- 520 \*\* 6c-\$1.00 1922-25 Issue, Superb Graded Balance (561/571). 11 stamps, all but one Mint N.H., an each Extremely Fine Gem and most P.S.E. graded, incl. Nos. 558 (P.F. certificate), 559 (98), 561 (95J), another 561 (95), 562 (95 P.S.A.G.), 565 (95), 566 (95), 567 (95J), 568 (95), 570 (90J), 571 (OGph 98), a Superb group, SMQ value for all but No. 558, without regard to the Jumbo appellations \$1,870.00.......(Photo Ex) E. 1,000-1,500



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523 and detail

523 ⊠ **2c Carmine, Perf 10 at Bottom (554d).** Tied by "Colorado Springs Colo. Feb. 6, 1924" machine cancel on Midland Terminal Railway Co. corner card cover to New York, deep rich color on bright paper, missing small part of top flap, minor edgewear

VERY FINE. ONE OF ONLY FIVE RECORDED EXAMPLES OF THE RARE 1922 2-CENT PERF 10 AT TOP OR BOTTOM ON COVER.

At a certain point during production one of the perforating wheels became defective. In the course of repairs part of one perforation wheel was inadvertently changed from Perf 11 to Perf 10. Based on the physical evidence of surviving copies, this was the nineteenth row of pins on the wheel.

The Perf 10 on One Side varieties span both the 1917 Washington-Franklin and 1922-23 Issues. It is interesting to note that, apart from the 2c, there is no duplication of denomination between the issues. This would seem to indicate that the improperly repaired wheel was in use for only a short period of time, as there was little overlap in production of the issues. Based on dates of issue of the basic stamps, this probably occurred early in 1923.

Our census of Scott 554d, available at http://www.siegelauctions.com/dynamic/census/554d/554d.pdf, records 20 used singles, four contained in a block and five covers, for a total of 29.

Census No. 554d-COV-22. Ex Griffith and Lake Shore. With 1988 P.F. certificate............. 25,000.00





- 532 ★★⊞ 50c Lilac (570). Mint N.H. top plate no. 17482 block of six, nice margins and centering, particularly in bottom row, few typical natural gum skips and bends, Very Fine and choice
- 533 ★★⊞ \$1.00 Violet Black (571). Mint N.H. top plate number F18681 block of six, exceptionally well-centered, strong color, typical natural gum bends, Extremely Fine ..................... 525.00





537 ★★⊞ \$2.00 Deep Blue (572). Mint N.H. bottom plate no. 14306 block of six, radiant color, choice centering, natural gum creases, still Very Fine and choice.........



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539 ★★⊞ \$5.00 Carmine & Blue (573). Mint N.H. arrow, marker and double plate nos. F14326/F14327 block of eight, wide margins and extraordinarily well-centered throughout, light natural gum crease top right corner of pos. 4 and into selvage

EXTREMELY FINE MINT NEVER-HINGED PLATE BLOCK OF THE \$5.00 1922 ISSUE.



- 542 ★★⊞ 2c Carmine, Rotary (579). Mint N.H. top plate no. 15890 and star block of six, deep rich color, unusually well-centered, Very Fine and choice, a lovely plate block ....... 1,220.00
- 543 ★★⊞ 1c-10c 1923-26 Issue, Perf 10 (581-591). Mint N.H. plate no. blocks of four, bright colors, nice margins and centering throughout, 7c with indentation in selvage from pencil writing, 8c with few internal perf separations and perf dimple, fresh and Very Fine set of plate blocks, makes a beautiful presentation on two album pages, ex Silver Lake....

  (Photo Ex) 3,935.00



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546 (\*) 1c Green, Rotary, Perf 11 (594). Unused (no gum), bright color, margins to touched at right, surface scrapes at left and bottom left, small corner crease at bottom right

FINE APPEARANCE. AN ATTRACTIVE AND EXTREMELY RARE UNUSED EXAMPLE OF THE ONE-CENT ROTARY PERF 11 ISSUE, SCOTT 594. WE RECORD ONLY 18 EXAMPLES IN UNUSED CONDITION.

The 1c Green, Scott 594, is waste from a horizontal rotary printing used to make coils. At the beginning or end of a coil-stamp print run from the 170-subject rotary plates, some leading or trailing paper was produced that was too short for rolling into 500-stamp rolls. In 1919 the Bureau devised a plan to salvage this waste by perforating and cutting the sheets into panes. They were put through the 11-gauge flat-plate perforator in use at the time, giving the sheets full perforations on all sides. The existence of Scott 594 was not reported until four months after the final sheets were delivered, and the 1c Rotary Perf 11 was soon recognized as one of the rarest United States stamps.

Our census of unused examples of Scott 594, based on the Levi and P.F. records and available at our website at http://www.siegelauctions.com/dynamic/census/594/594.pdf), contains only 18 stamps. Of these only 11 have any gum, and three of those have perforated initials of Crowell Publishing Co. of Springfield, Ohio, which some collectors regard as equivalent to a cancel.

Census No. 594-UNC-12. With 2013 P.F. certificate. Scott Catalogue notes "both unused and used are valued with perforations just touching frameline on one side"...... 35,000.00



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547 **1c Green, Rotary, Perf 11 (594).** Intense shade and impression, neat machine cancel, margins to clear at bottom

VERY FINE. A RARE SOUND EXAMPLE OF THE 1923 ONE-CENT ROTARY PERF 11 ISSUE.

Like the 2c, Scott 595, this issue was perforated in both directions on the flat plate perforating machine. This machine was not designed to perforate rotary press stamps, which are slightly different in size due to the curvature of the printing plate. This caused notoriously poor perforations. The existence of Scott 594 was not reported until four months after the final sheets were delivered, and the 1c Rotary Perf 11 was soon recognized as one of the rarest United States stamps.

Our exhaustive census of Scott 594, available at our website at: http://www.siegelauctions.com/dynamic/census/594/594.pdf, contains 89 used singles, four used pairs and five covers (including one with a pair) for a total of 103 used stamps. Many have perforations either in on one or more side, or have faults.



548 \*\* 2c Carmine, Rotary, Perf 11 (595). Mint N.H., vivid color, choice centering, fresh and Extremely Fine, with 2007 P.F. certificate (XF 90) .... 475.00



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2c Carmine Lake, Ty. I, Coil (599b). Joint line pair, deep rich color in the distinctive Carmine Lake shade, light duplex cancel, right stamp with small corner crease at top right VERY FINE APPEARANCE. AN EXTREMELY RARE JOINT USED LINE PAIR OF THE 1923 2-CENT COIL IN THE CARMINE LAKE SHADE.

With 2013 P.S.E. certificate...... 7,000.00





#### 1923 HARDING ISSUE





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557 **2c Harding, Rotary, Perf 11 (613).** Four margins, sharp impression, unobtrusive machine cancel, small corner crease at top right

FINE APPEARING EXAMPLE OF THE 2-CENT HARDING ROTARY PERF 11, WHICH IS ONE OF THE RAREST OF ALL  $20\mathrm{TH}$  CENTURY ISSUES.

Our census of the 2c Harding Rotary Perf 11, available at our website at www.siegelauctions.com/dynamic/census/613/613.pdf, records 43 used singles (one faintly cancelled, if at all), one used pair and a strip of three.

The 2c Harding Rotary Perf 11 stamp was discovered in 1938 by Leslie Lewis of the New York firm, Stanley Gibbons Inc. Gary Griffith presents his hypothesis in *United States Stamps 1922-26* that rotary-printed sheets of 400 were first reduced to panes of 100 and then fed through the 11-gauge perforating machine normally used for flat plate sheets. This method distinguishes sheet-waste stamps — Scott 544, 596 and 613 — from the coilwaste stamps and explains the existence of a straight-edge on Scott 613.



- 560 \*\* 2c Carmine Lake, Ty. I (634b). Mint N.H., brilliant color on bright paper, precise centering, bright and fresh, Extremely Fine Gem, a superb stamp, with 2005 P.S.E. certificate (XF-Superb 95; SMQ \$775.00), only one example has been graded higher and only three others share this grade .. 400.00

- 564 ★★⊞ **5c Hawaii Ovpt. (648).** Mint N.H. top left and bottom right plate no. blocks of four (18907 and 18908), well-centered, post-office fresh, Very Fine and Very Fine and choice respectively.........................(Photo Ex) 850.00
- 565 \*\* 1c-6 Kans., Nebr. Overprints (661/673). P.S.E. graded balance of six stamps, first five Mint N.H. incl. Nos. 661 (95), 664 (95), 670 (95), 672 (95J) and 673 (95), also used No. 673 (95), Extremely Fine Gems, total SMQ without regard to the Jumbo on No. 672 \$1,240.00 ...........Not illustrated E. 500-750



selvage, both bottom stamps missing the overprint, the errors Mint N.H., top stamps lightly hinged and showing complete overprint and part of a second in top margin, Fine and scarce, with 1977 P.F. 9c Kans. Ovpt. (667). Mint N.H., precise centering, vivid color on post-office fresh paper, Extremely 567 ★★ 2c Nebr. Ovpt. (671). Mint N.H., mathematically perfect centering, strong color, Extremely Fine Gem, an 568 **\*\*** inexpensive stamp but very elusive in this high quality, with 2012 P.S.A.G certificate (100 ogNH) ..... 6.00 3c Nebr. Ovpt. (672). Mint N.H., beautifully balanced margins, rich color, Extremely Fine Gem, with 569 **\***\* 6c Nebr. Ovpt. (675). Mint N.H., fiery color, gorgeous centering with Jumbo margins, Extremely Fine 570 ★★ Gem, with 2008 P.S.E. certificate (XF-Superb 95 Jumbo; SMQ \$400.00 as 95, \$1,075.00 as 98). 70.00 7c Nebr. Ovpt. (676). Mint N.H., intense shade and impression, wide margins and precise centering, 571 **\***\* 10c Nebr. Ovpt. (679). Mint N.H., choice centering, glowing color, Extremely Fine Gem, with 2008 579 **\***\*

- 575 ★ 3c Washington, Vertical Pair, Imperforate Between (720c). Lightly hinged, bright color, Fine 700.00
- 576 ⊞ \$1.00 Presidential, USIR Wmk. (832b). Used blocks of six and four, machine cancel, Fine-Very Fine, scarce multiples, Scott Retail as singles ................................(Photo Ex) 650.00



577 (★)⊞ \$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

### AIR POST





# THE INVERTED "JENNY" 1918 24-CENT AIR POST ISSUE

#### POSITION 19

584 ★ 24c Carmine Rose & Blue, Center Inverted (C3a). Position 19, lightly hinged, deep rich colors with inverted plane perfectly placed in relation to the frame, choice centering, certificate notes "tiny thins" which are extremely minute specks almost unworthy of mention

VERY FINE APPEARING AND WONDERFULLY FRESH EXAMPLE OF THE FAMOUS 24-CENT INVERTED JENNY.

According to *Jenny!* by George Amick (Amos Press, 1986), the original sheet of 100 inverted "Jenny" stamps was purchased by William T. Robey on May 14, 1918, one day after the stamp was placed on sale. Robey bought the sheet at the New York Avenue Post Office window in Washington, D.C. Soon after, the sheet was sold to Col. Edward H. R. Green through Eugene Klein, a Philadelphia stamp dealer. Green paid \$20,000 for the sheet, then instructed Klein to divide it 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 this stamp 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. Hinging has caused thins and creases in numerous stamps, and at least seven have been "lost" to philately—or nearly so as in the case of the copy swept up in a vacuum cleaner. The stamp offered here is well-centered and remarkably fresh.

Signed in pencil four times, including those of Bolaffi, A. Diena and Enzo Diena. Two backstamps, including one of former owner Bernard D. Forster. Ex Sir William Lindsay Everard (an early British aviator) and Forster. With 1983 P.F. certificate...... 450,000.00



Extremely Fine Gem, with 2011 P.S.E. certificate (Superb 98; SMQ \$450.00) ....... 40.00 16c Dark Blue, 1923 Air Post (C5). Mint N.H., deep rich color on bright paper, perfectly 586 ★★ centered with wide margins, Extremely Fine Gem, with 2010 P.S.E. certificate (Superb 588 ★⊞ 24c Carmine, 1923 Air Post (C6). Right plate no. 14840 block of six, lightly hinged, fresh and Fine-Very Fine 1,850.00 24c Carmine, 1923 Air Post (C6). Unbelievably wide Jumbo margins, rich color, 1926 589 duplex cancel, Extremely Fine Gem, with 2008 P.S.E. certificate (XF-Superb 95 Jumbo;  $590 \oplus$ 24c Carmine, 1923 Air Post (C6). Right plate no. 14840 block of six, bold New York duplex cancels, rich color, choice centering, a few reinforced internal perf separations, still Extremely Fine, a rare used plate block of this issue, a Power Search review failed to find another, unlisted in Scott..... E. 400-500 65c-\$2.60 Graf Zeppelin (C13-C15). Mint N.H., fresh and Extremely Fine set, ex 591 ★★ 



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592 ★⊞ 65c-\$2.60 Graf Zeppelin (C13-C15). Complete set of top or bottom plate no. blocks of six, 65c Mint N.H. top, natural gum skips, \$1.30 bottom, hinged on each with disturbed gum on one stamp, \$2.60 bottom, lightly hinged bottom, narrow selvage and small inclusion in one stamp

FINE-VERY FINE SET OF TOP OR BOTTOM POSITION PLATE BLOCKS OF THE GRAF ZEPPELIN ISSUE.



593 ★⊞ **65c-\$2.60 Graf Zeppelin (C13-C15).** Matched set of right or left plate no. blocks of six, lightly hinged, \$1.30 and \$2.60 small h.r. in selvage only, radiant colors, choice centering, \$1.30 tiny stain in one perf at bottom center

FRESH AND VERY FINE AND CHOICE SET OF SIDE PLATE NUMBER BLOCKS OF SIX OF THE GRAF ZEPPELIN ISSUE.













597 ★★⊞ 50c Trans-Pacific, Air Post (C22). Mint N.H. wide top plate no. F21625 block of six, vivid color, choice centering, minor natural gum bends

EXTREMELY FINE. AN INCREDIBLY RARE CENTERED MINT NEVER-HINGED WIDE TOP PLATE BLOCK OF THE 50-CENT CLIPPER ISSUE.

Advanced collectors of U.S. plate blocks understand that this issue is far rarer as a wide top Mint N.H. plate block than even the \$2.60 Graf Zeppelin. A Power Search review found only one other example and it does not match the centering of the block offered here. The Scott Catalogue notes "wide full selvage top margin plate blocks of No. C22 are extremely scarce and sell for \$1,750.00 or more" (versus \$90.00 price for regular plate block).

With 2008 P.S.E. certificate ...... E. 2,000-3,000



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598 P **6c-50c Transport Air Posts, Small Die Proofs on Bond (C25P2-C31P2).** Complete set, each approximately 43 x 28mm, exceptionally bright and fresh

EXTREMELY FINE SET OF SMALL DIE PROOFS OF THE TRANSPORT AIR POST ISSUE. ONE OF TWO SETS IN PRIVATE HANDS.

SIEGEL AUCTION GALLERIES







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599 P 10c-25c 1947 Air Post, Small Die Proofs on Yellowish Bond (C34P2-C36P2). Each approximately 40 x 24mm, rich colors, tiny thins

VERY FINE APPEARANCE. THESE SMALL DIE PROOFS OF THE 1947 AIR POST ISSUE ARE BELIEVED TO BE UNIQUE.

This set depicts the Pan American Union building in Washington D.C. with a Martin 2-0-2 on the 10c stamp, the Statue of Liberty with a Lockheed Constellation on the 15c stamp and the Golden Gate bridge with a Boeing 377 on the 25c stamp. These small die proofs are believed to unique.

Ex Livingston. Each with 1988 P.F. certificate. Unlisted in Scott ...... E. 3,000-4,000



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# GROUP LOTS BY ISSUE

601	<b>1902-08 Issue Mostly Unused Balance.</b> 18 singles, six pairs, nine blocks of four, two plate blocks and pane of 100 of No. 319, incl. unused Nos. 300, 303-305, 307-309, blocks of four incl. 319Fi and 319Fj, plate blocks of 314 and 320, nice group of used 2c Shield, overall fresh and Very Fine, four with certificates incl. two graded (307 OGph 98, 308 OGh 98)
602	<b>1902-08 Issue Used Balance.</b> 45 used stamps, incl. Nos. 310 (2), 311 (3), at least three each of 1c-13c with some subtle shade differences, virtually all with superior centering and Very Fine-Extremely Fine, four with graded certificates (1c 98, 2c 95, 5c 90J, 50c 90J)
603 ⊞	1902-08 Issue Used Blocks. 22 used blocks, incl. blocks of four of 1c-\$1.00, also block of 18 of 10c, imprint and plate no. block of six of 13c, few faults to be expected, most are Fine-Very Fine, a scarce group of used blocks
604 ⋈	1902-08 Issue Covers. 20 covers or postcards, incl. 1c used from Shanghai, China to Mich., 2c on Pope Motor Car Co. corner card cover, 4c bisect, 5c used with German Sea Post duplex cancel, 13c to Austria, 15c to Germany, few advertising covers, overall Fine-Very Fine and diverse group E. 300-400
605 ★	1c-5c 1908-09 Issue, Coils (348-355). Balance of unused singles and pairs, incl. Nos. 348 Mint N.H. pair, 349, 350 (XF 90), 350 with past-up, 351 line pair (small repair), 353, 353 pair, 355, also No. 386 and three others from 1908 issue with bad P.S.E. certificates and good Weiss certificates (not counted), Very Fine group, approx. 15 certificates accompany (several Weiss) 2,465.00
606	1c-5c 1908-09 Issue, Coils (348-355). Balance of used singles and pairs, incl. Nos. 348, 348 pair, 349, 349 pair, 350, 350 pair, 351, 353, 354 pair, 355 pair, also Nos. 385 and 387 (latter with noncontemporary cancel), mix of centering as usual for these difficult to find used coils, a few small flaws, overall Fine with only one item Very Good (355 pair) and several Very Fine, 14 certificates accompany (several Weiss)
607 ⋈	Washington-Franklin Coils on Cover (348/495). 37 covers mounted on album pages, mostly singles with a handful of pairs and line pairs incl. Nos. 455, 490, 492 and 494, range of uses on postcards and envelopes, corner cards, etc., Very Fine and interesting group E. 500-750
608 ★⊞	<b>2c 1909 Commemorative Issues (367-368, 370, 372-373).</b> Imprint and plate no. blocks, incl. Nos. 367 Mint N.H. top plate block of ten, 368 hinged top plate block, 370 Mint N.H. bottom plate block, 372 Mint N.H. top plate block (gum bend), 373 hinged top plate block of ten, imperfs with large margins and perforated with choice centering, Very Fine-Extremely Fine group 1,592.00
609	2c 1909 Commemoratives Used Balance. Six blocks of four, three plate blocks of six, a block of twelve of No. 368 and eight covers, incl. plate blocks of Nos. 370, 371 and 373, covers incl. No. 369, mostly Fine-Very Fine, the plate blocks uncatalogued in Scott, Scott Retail for others \$1,250.00
610 ⊞	1c-15c 1910-11 Issue (374-382, 383-384). Used blocks, Nos. 374-384 blocks of four, also plate blocks of six of Nos. 383-384 as well as additional perforated 3c plate block of six, 5c block of six, 10c block of six, neat cancels, attractive margins and centering, perhaps a couple tiny flaws, Fine-Very Fine with the majority in the latter category, 15c with 2003 P.F. certificate, Scott Retail more than \$430.00 E. 300-400
611 ★⊞	<b>1c-6c 1910-11 Issue (374-379, 383-384).</b> Imprint and plate no. blocks of six, all tops except extra 4c bottom and 5c side, extra 1c-2c imperforate sides, range of imprint formats, mostly lightly hinged with 3c Mint N.H. (pre-printing paper fold and gum skip), 4c top barely hinged if at all, 6c perf disc impression, nice centering, Very Fine group, 3c and 6c with P.F. certificates 2,297.50
612	1c-5c 1910-12 Issues, Perf 8.5 Coils (390-396, 410-413). Quality balance on album pages and stock cards, part runs of unused and used singles, pairs and guide line pairs, more than 50 items in total, some of the best items incl. used pairs of Nos. 390-395, unused guide line pairs of Nos. 391-393, used guide line pairs of Nos. 393-394, three unused pairs of No. 390 reconstructed into a top imprint and plate no. block, range of 1912 Nos. 410-413, a few flaws may be found but overall a Fine-Very Fine and most useful group worth review, approximately 30 certificates accompany, Scott Retail more than \$3,800.00
613 ★	<b>1c-5c 1910 Issue, Coils (390-396).</b> Guide line strips of four, several Mint N.H. stamps incl. No. 390 full strip, 392-393 end stamps, 395 end stamps, a couple others h.r., attractive margins and centering, mostly Very Fine, two certificates accompany
614 ★	<b>1c-20c 1912-14 Issue (405-406, 414-415, 418-419).</b> 1c-9c Mint N.H., 20c unused (regummed), rich colors on bright paper, wide margins, Very Fine-Extremely Fine, 1c, 2c, 8c and 15c with certificates (1c 95J, 2c 95)
615 ★⊞	<b>1c-12c 1912-17 Issues Plate Blocks (405/462).</b> 23 unused plate blocks, incl. hinged Nos. 405, 406, 415, 417, 427-429, 433-435, Mint N.H. Nos. 424 with "Coil Stamps", 426, 462 and 463, few small faults, overall fresh and Very Fine
616 ★	1c-12c 1913-15 Issue (424-427, 431, 433, 437, 461). 4c, 12c and 15c lightly hinged, others Mint N.H., No. 426 with Pink Back, No. 435 is sub-shade, rich colors, choice centering, Very Fine-Extremely Fine, four with certificate, Scott Retail with no premium for the Pink Back 737.50

- 1c-5c 1914 Issue, Perf 10 Coils (441-447). Balance of 30 items on album pages, part runs of unused and used singles, pairs and guide line pairs, better items incl. used pairs of Nos. 443-444 and 447, unused line pairs of 441 and 444, used line pairs of 441 and 443, unused line strips of four of Nos. 442 and 444, Fine-Very Fine group, several certificates accompany, Scott Retail more than \$2,700.00...... E. 1,000-1,500
- 1c-5c 1915 Issue, Perf 10 Rotary Coils (448-459). Balance on album pages, part runs of unused and used singles, pairs and guide line pairs, 43 items, incl Mint N.H. No. 459, unused and used line pairs No. 457, unused line strips of four of Nos. 455 and 458, used joint line strips of four of Nos. 457-458 (the former with the line pair at the right), a couple small flaws, overall Fine-Very Fine, approximately 10 certificates accompany, Scott Retail more than \$3,000.00 .. E. 1,000-1,500
- 619 **1c-5c 1916-18 Issue, Perf 10 Rotary Coils (486-497).** Balance on album pages, runs of unused and used singles, pairs and guide line pairs, approx. 75 items, largely complete in each format less No. 491 of course, some high graded stamps present, also joint line strips of four, Fine-Extremely Fine, a nice fresh group, approx. 17 certificates accompany.................. E. 500-750

- Washington-Franklin Coil Balance. Seventeen unused or used items, mostly pairs (incl. line pairs), one single and a few strips, better line pairs incl. Nos. 385, 394 (unused line strip of four and used line pair), 447 (used), 454 (line pair and line strip of four) and 459, also No. 446 pair with plate number in selvage, a few minor flaws but mostly Fine-Very Fine, nine with P.F. or P.S.E. certificate...... E. 1,500-2,000
- 629 

   Washington-Franklin Covers. 36 covers or cards from Scott 331-463, incl. few nice illustrated advertising covers or cards, No, 335 to China, 340 to Austria, overall Fine-Very Fine . E. 300-400

- 633 \to \textbf{1922-25 Issue Covers (551/573).} 25 items, incl. tag with block of four of \$1.00 and single \$5.00, another tag with block of ten of \$1.00, 552 single and bisect, 555 bisect, few advertising, few other interesting, some faults, most Fine-Very Fine ................................ E. 200-300

- 1c-10c 1923-29 Issue Coils. Scott album pages, mostly complete sets of unused and used coil singles, pairs, joint line pairs and covers, also few joint line strips of four, several Mint N.H., few small faults to be expected, most Fine-Very Fine ...... E. 1,000-1,500
- 636 ⊞ **1c-10c Kans., Nebr. Overprints (658-679).** Complete set of 22 in used blocks of four, also used plate no. blocks of 1.5c, 3c and 4c Kansas, used blocks of eight of 1.5c and 2c Kansas, used block of six of 10c Nebraska, plus a few unused blocks of Nebraska, one showing misplaced ovpt. in top row, a few small flaws may be encountered as usual for used blocks, overall Fine-Very Fine, used blocks (and plate blocks) are unpriced in Scott, Scott Retail as singles more than \$1,600.00................ E. 500-750
- 637 **½c-\$5.00 1938 Presidential (803-834, 839-851).** Extensive collection housed in a single album, unused and used singles (incl. USIR wmk. 832b), unused plate blocks incl. full top two row plate blocks of \$1.00-\$2.00 (two of latter), used blocks to the 50c, a variety of larger used multiples incl. several large pieces of the \$1.00 and \$5.00 (used block of 36), used position blocks of the \$2.00, also a wide range of single frankings on cover, many graded certificates accompany, a Very Fine collection worth review ...

  E. 1.000-1.500
- **Famous Americans Collection (859/893).** Scott album pages of unused and used singles, used blocks and covers, incl. ten graded 95 or 98, Very Fine-Extremely Fine group .................... E. 200-300

- 641 ★ 20th Century Commemoratives and Definitives Balance. Scott album pages containing part or full sets of unused and used singles, starting with No. 551, incl. some Kans.-Nebr., selected by Mr. Curtis for superior centering and condition so overall the group is Very Fine-Extremely Fine..... E. 1,000-1,500
- **Graded 20th Century Singles.** 39, from Scott 537 onwards, mostly 95's and 98's, SMQ values up to \$225.00, Extremely Fine group, spreadsheet accompanies, SMQ value approximately ........... 3,550.00
- High Quality Balance. 30 unused or used, some Regular Issues from the late 19th Century or 20th Century, several Back-of-Book, particularly Postage Dues and Officials, catalogue values as high as \$1,100.00, but most are in the \$50.00-\$250.00 range, vast majority well-centered, largely Very Fine with some Extremely Fine, twelve certificates accompany, incl. one encapsulated...... E. 1,500-2,000
- 1938-75, Collection Balance. Range of commemorative and some definitive issues in two large albums and a stock book, following the format Mr. Curtis preferred unused and used singles, blocks, and covers, many large used multiples to be found, Very Fine........................ E. 300-400
- Plate Block Balance. Eighteen items, a few early commemoratives, incl. 1c Trans-Mississippi (plate block of ten), two each 1c and 3c Louisiana Purchase (plate blocks of six), Regular issues incl. 1902 1c, 4c and 13c, several Washington-Franklin heads incl. Nos. 376, 414, 420, 428 and 516, also No. E6 with top selvage rejoined, a few small faults, most are Fine-Very Fine and quite saleable.... E. 2,000-3,000
- 646 ★⊞ **20th Century Commemorative and Definitive Plate Blocks.** 154, few Mint N.H. incl. Nos. 549, 616, 619, 644, few hinged incl. Nos. 630, overall fresh and Very Fine, Scott Retail approximately............. 4,915.00
- **20th Century Used Commemoratives Blocks and Covers.** Small carton containing Scott album pages of used blocks, from 1922-25 Issue and later, range of issues and cancels, some larger multiples, also great group of covers with single frankings, overall fresh and Fine-Very Fine assemblage.. E. 300-400
- Private Vending and Imperforate Coil Balance. A few dozen used or unused items (singles and strips of various size) and 25 covers, much of the value in the covers, incl. No. 534B with Schermack Ty. III (P.S.E. certificate), slightly mixed condition, Fine-Very Fine appearance...... E. 400-500

# END OF SALE—THANK YOU

# Bid Form—15% Premium Sale Mon. & Tues., February 23-24, 2015

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Transit insurance is provided in all cases, except when the buyer has furnished us with proof that insurance coverage is effective under another policy. Proof, in such cases, will be accepted in the form of a written certificate from the insurance carrier.

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We have reduced the Fedex Envelope charge to \$20, reflecting the elimination of the fuel surcharge. All other charges remain the same.

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Weight/Class	<b>Shipping Method</b>	Charges
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Over 2 lbs.	Fedex Box	\$35.00*
Non-U.S.	Fedex/Courier	\$50.00**
Bulk Lots	UPS Preferred	By weight and value

These fees reflect additional Fedex charges for residential delivery, signature and fuel surcharge.

\*Higher fees will be charged on packages weighing more than 5 lbs. or insured for more than \$75,000.

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Up to \$50	\$5	\$3,000-7,000	\$250
\$50-200	\$10	\$7,000-20,000	\$500
\$200-500	\$25	\$20,000-30,000	\$1,000
\$500-1,000	\$50	\$30,000-75,000	\$2,500
\$1,000-3,000	\$100	\$75,000 up	\$5,000



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1	1,800	43	2,000	87	500	131	425	174	8,500	216	600	259	500	302	1,300
2	2,100	44	1,900	88	325	132	225	175	600	217	750	260	250	303	700
3	800	45	400	89	550	133	550	176	160	218	1,900	261	650	304	425
4	1,800	46	400	90	700	134	1,600	177	160	219	425	262	325	305	1,300
5	450	47	3,500	91	160	135	550	178	250	220	425	263	140	306	1,300
6	2,600	48	6,750	92	1,500	136	325	179	1,600	221	600	264	500	307	425
7	600	49	1,800	93	325	137	4,250	180	375	222	450	265	250	308	275
8	200	50	3,500	94	235	138	800	181	800	223	375	266	700	309	1,500
9	375	51	350	95	550	139	250	182	250	224	475	267	1,400	310	2,300
10	275	52	300	96	475	140	400	183	425	225	400	268	425	311	950
11	225	53	400	97	650	141	1,000	184	350	226	425	269	550	312	1,300
12	1,300	54	350	98	4,750	142	1,100	185	250	227	400	270	1,100	313	650
13	275	55	450	99	12,000	143	550	186	700	228	350	271	180	314	950
14	250	57	3,750	100	325	144	4,500	187	160	229	300	272	375	315	13,000
15	700	58	2,000	101	300	145	4,000	188	160	231	275	273	5,000	316	6,750
16	375	59	5,500	102	900	146	24,000	189	180	232	850	274	1,000	317	250
17	450	60	2,700	103	1,500	147	9,500	190	1,300	233	180	275	950	318	325
18	375	62	160	104	5,250	148	2,100	191	450	234	5,250	276	2,300	319	325
19	800	63	130	105	800	149	5,750	192	200	235	300	277	950	320	450
20	1,900	64	1,700	106	275	150	325	193	3,750	236	1,100	278	7,000	321	850
21	850	65	750	107	950	151	650	194	1,300	237	375	279	12,000	322	400
22	950	66	475	108	200	153	275	195	750	238	250	280	350	324	700
23	3,750	67	1,600	110	190	154	140	196	425	239	700	282	425	325	450
24	600	68	1,300	111	400	155	850	197	600	240	650	283	5,750	326	500
25	425	69	250	113	1,700	156	1,300	198	1,500	241	3,250	284	1,000	327	650
26	9,500	70	1,600	114	500	157	250	199	250	242	2,100	285	1,000	328	1,500
27	8,500	71	8,500	115	475	158	1,200	200	275	243	250	286	12,500	329	1,800
28	15,500	72	800	116	950	159	1,500	201	400	244	2,700	287	6,750	330	8,000
29	1,400	73	850	117	1,500	160	16,500	202	500	245	2,600	288	2,800	331	2,100
30	1,500	74	425	118	1,900	161	6,500	203	400	246	750	289	5,250	332	750
31	850	75	1,200	119	1,200	162	25,000	204	6,000	247	300	290	6,750	333	650
32	850	76	450	120	550	163	32,500	205	500	248	2,000	291	1,900	334	375
33	900	77	3,250	121	800	164	4,250	206	950	249	7,000	292	1,200	335	400
34	1,100	78	550	122	425	165	3,000	207	6,500	250	12,500	293	1,700	336	225
35	5,000	79	5,250	123	1,200	166	5,000	208	3,000	251	2,600	294	500	337	500
36	650	80	650	124	1,300	167	32,500	209	1,700	252	900	295	400	338	200
37	350	81	600	125	750	168	1,900	210	3,250	253	550	296	450	339	600
38	3,000	82	200	126	1,300	169	3,500	211	6,250	254	400	297	500	340	160
39	2,100	83	1,400	127	2,600	170	2,000	212	550	255	600	298	180	341	130
40	30,000	84	1,000	128	1,900	171	4,000	213	8,500	256	1,000	299	225	342	1,100
41	2,000	85	850	129	950	172	2,900	214	6,250	257	275	300	550	343	1,900
42	750	86	850	130	2,400	173	5,750	215	12,500	258	350	301	275	344	6,750

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346	3,000	388	650	431	800	475	2,000	520	1,100	564	300	606	1,500	648	650
347	425	389	850	432	7,500	476	8,500	521	650	565	750	607	1,100	649	2,000
348	8,500	390	750	433	750	477	575	523	3,500	566	900	608	650		·
349	4,500	391	3,750	434	225	479	2,100	524	550	567	600	609	700		
350	1,100	392	2,600	435	1,000	480	850	525	250	568	250	610	325		
351	375	393	450	436	375	481	2,100	526	475	569	550	611	800		
352	475	394	850	437	750	482	2,500	527	1,600	570	350	612	2,900		
353	400	395	550	438	180	483	1,600	528	700	571	750	613	1,000		
354	110	396	950	439	2,500	484	500	529	425	572	400	614	1,000		
355	1,500	398	1,200	440	1,300	485	6,250	530	350	573	1,000	615	2,500		
356	500	399	4,250	441	13,500	486	2,100	531	225	574	350	616	900		
357	425	400	850	442	1,600	487	400	532	375	575	190	617	1,800		
358	425	401	225	443	650	488	600	533	400	576	350	618	2,100		
359	550	402	325	444	180	489	375	534	275	577	4,000	619	2,100		
360	350	403	5,750	445	800	490	1,600	535	250	578	375	620	800		
361	425	404	1,200	446	950	491	400	536	1,300	579	1,900	621	1,600		
362	550	405	1,700	447	425	492	350	537	600	580	650	622	800		
363	550	406	6,000	448	275	493	275	538	425	581	325	623	850		
364	950	407	2,600	449	1,800	494	700	539	2,100	582	375	624	650		
365	600	408	1,500	450	300	495	350	540	1,300	583	550	625	450		
366	1,100	409	30,000	451	1,000	496	425	541	425	584	170,000	626	2,000		
367	300	410	5,000	452	10,500	497	300	542	400	585	325	627	5,750		
368	425	411	1,900	453	1,300	498	2,500	543	950	586	1,300	628	1,500		
369	1,000	412	1,000	454	2,900	499	2,500	544	650	587	425	629	475		
370	700	413	700	455	850	500	1,300	545	200	588	400	630	350		
371	375	414	160	457	700	502	600	546	9,000	589	275	631	1,300		
372	475	415	1,100	458	450	503	275	547	6,250	590	275	632	650		
373	10,000	416	1,800	459	1,200	504	3,750	548	600	591	1,000	633	275		
374	4,250	417	950	460	500	505	2,100	549	650	592	5,000	634	950		
375	1,800	418	550	461	275	506	5,250	551	2,000	593	7,000	635	800		
376	400	419	500	462	300	507	9,500	552	600	594	800	636	600		
377	400	420	14,500	463	350	508	1,500	553	850	595	600	637	3,000		
378	650	421	15,500	464	6,500	509	1,600	554	550	596	1,450	638	170		
379	190	422	19,500	465	325	510	4,000	555	500	597	3,250	639	1,200		
380	650	423	400	466	900	511	500	556	1,900	598	13,000	640	1,000		
381	1,500	424	400	467	950	512	400	557	18,000	599	2,900	641	950		
382	1,400	425	375	468	2,100	513	190	558	550	600	1,800	642	2,200		
383	550	426	2,700	469	500	514	1,400	559	160	601	1,400	643	2,100		
384	450	427	9,000	470	250	515	225	560	750	602	1,200	644	500		
385	700	428	10,500	472	375	517	2,300	561	500	603	1,000	645	2,600		
386	900	429	4,000	473	2,100	518	425	562	475	604	550	646	1,000		