



## Issue of 1882

PERFORATED 12

PRINTED BY THE AMERICAN BANK NOTE CO.



James A. Garfield

Issued as a memorial to President Garfield.

## Issue of 1881-82

PERFORATED 12

PRINTED BY THE AMERICAN BANK NOTE CO.



Benjamin Franklin



George Washington



Abraham Lincoln



Thomas Jefferson

**D**ESIGNS of the 1881-1882 series at first glance appear to be a replica of the previous issue. Closer inspection will reveal a denser appearance in design which was due to the re-engraving of the plates. The characteristics of the recutting are shown:

### Illustrations of the re-engraving characteristics



- 1¢—Lines of shading have been added to the upper arabesques, and vertical lines in the upper portion of the stamp have been deepened.
- 3¢—About 1mm. below the "ts" of cents a short horizontal dash has been etched. The width of the shading at the side of the central oval has been reduced.
- 6¢—Three lines can be counted from the edge of the panel to the outside of the stamp. Before re-engraving four lines were present.
- 10¢—Four lines can be counted between the left side of the oval and the edge of the shield. Before re-engraving five lines could be counted.

# Issue of 1894

PERFORATED 12

PRINTED BY THE BUREAU OF ENGRAVING AND PRINTING



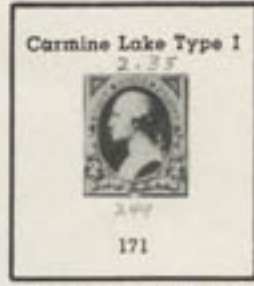
Benjamin Franklin



Benjamin Franklin



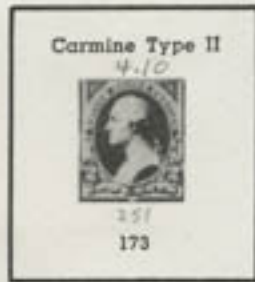
George Washington



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Andrew Jackson



Abraham Lincoln



Ulysses S. Grant



James A. Garfield



William T. Sherman



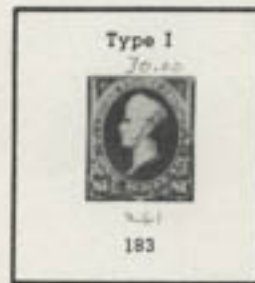
Daniel Webster



Henry Clay



Thomas Jefferson



Commodore Perry



Commodore Perry



James Madison



John Marshall

WITH this issue the task of printing United States postage stamps was turned over to the Bureau of Engraving and Printing at Washington, D.C. This new postage series was similar in design to the issue of 1890-93 but small ornamental triangles were added to the upper corners. One, two and five dollar denominations were added.

THREE TYPES OF THE 2¢ TRIANGLES ARE HEREWITH ILLUSTRATED:



type 1



type 2



type 3

TWO TYPES OF THE \$1.00 CIRCLES ARE HEREWITH ILLUSTRATED:



type 1



type 2



*Trans-Mississippi Exposition*  
Omaha, Nebraska, 1898



Marquette on the Mississippi



Farming in the West



Indian Hunting Buffalo



Fremont on the Rocky Mountains



Troops Guarding Train



Hardships of Emigration



Western Mining Prospector



Western Cattle in Storm



Mississippi River Bridge

Issued in connection with the Trans-Mississippi Exposition held in Omaha, Nebraska, in 1898, the series was placed on sale June 10th and discontinued on December 31, 1898. The designs, many of which are considered to be among the world's most beautiful postage stamps, show the development of the great mid-west.

## Pan-American Exposition

Buffalo, New York, 1901



Fast Lake Navigation



Fast Express



Automobile



Bridge at Niagara Falls



Canal Locks at Sault Ste. Marie



Fast Ocean Navigation

Placed on sale on May 1, 1901 and withdrawn from sale October 31, 1901, the dates fixed for the opening and closing of the Pan-American Exposition held at Buffalo, N. Y. The 1c, 2c, and 4c Denominations are known with inverted centers and are extremely scarce.

## Louisiana Purchase Exposition

St. Louis, Missouri, 1904



Robert R. Livingston



Thomas Jefferson



James Monroe



William McKinley



Map of Louisiana Purchase

Placed on sale April 30, 1904 and withdrawn from sale on December 1, 1904. The stamps commemorate the centennial of the Louisiana Purchase and the designs picture the persons connected with the purchase and with the Exposition. Livingston, as minister to France, conducted the negotiations, Monroe as special ambassador to France in the matter of the purchase, President Jefferson during whose administration the purchase was made, and McKinley, who approved the acts of Congress connecting the government with the exposition.



## Jamestown Exposition Hampton Roads, Virginia, 1907



Captain John Smith



Founding of Jamestown



Pocahontas

Issued April 25, 1907 to commemorate the 300th anniversary of the founding of Jamestown. The leader of the founding colonists was Capt. John Smith, whose life was saved by Pocahontas when she threw herself between him and an Indian's axe. Stamps were in use during the Jamestown Exposition and withdrawn from sale when the Exposition closed, December 1, 1907. The figures in the upper corners of the 1c stamp are Pocahontas and Powhatan.

## Lincoln Memorial 1909



Lincoln



Issued to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln. The design is from St. Gaudens' statue of Lincoln. The stamps were issued both perforate and imperforate, and on the experimental "bluish" paper.

## Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition Seattle, Washington, 1909



William H. Seward

Issued on June 1, 1909, in connection with the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition held in Seattle, Washington, in that year, to celebrate the purchase from Russia of the Alaska territory. William H. Seward was Secretary of State and negotiated the purchase.

**Hudson-Fulton Celebration**  
New York, N. Y. 1909



S.S. "Clermont" and the "Half Moon"

Issued on September 25, 1909 to commemorate the 300th anniversary of the discovery of the Hudson River and the centenary of Robert Fulton's steamship "Clermont."

**Panama-Pacific Exposition**  
San Francisco, California, 1912-15  
Perforated 12



Balboa

Panama Canal

Golden Gate



Discovery of San Francisco Bay

Perforated 10



First issued in late 1912 (officially January 1, 1913) the stamps served the dual purpose of Commemorating the Panama Canal and, also, publicising the Panama-Pacific Exposition planned to be held in San Francisco in 1915. The original issue was perforated 12 and later, in 1915, appeared perforated 10. Original color of the 10c was an orange-yellow. Changed, officially, on August 25, 1913, to a darker shade known to philatelists as "orange".





Issue of 1912-14

PERFORATED 12

SINGLE-LINE WATERMARK



IMPERFORATE



COIL STAMPS

PERFORATED 8½ HORIZONTALLY

PERFORATED 8½ VERTICALLY



**T**HIS series featured the portrait of George Washington with slight changes in the design-work from the previous issues. A 7¢ value was introduced for the first time during the 20th century.

Issue of 1917-19  
 FLAT PLATE PRINTING  
 PERFORATED 11  
 UNWATERMARKED



498



518

**T**HE BUREAU OF ENGRAVING AND PRINTING was still trying to find a more suitable size of perforation. Perforation 12 was found to be too fragile and perforation 10 was too strong, causing damage to stamps during separation. To remedy these defects perforation 11 was used for this series.



*Issue of 1916-17*

FLAT PLATE PRINTING  
IMPERFORATE  
UNWATERMARKED



481



*Issue of 1916-22*

ROTARY PRESS PRINTING  
COILS PERFORATED 10 HORIZONTALLY  
UNWATERMARKED




PERFORATED 10 VERTICALLY



497

UNITED STATES



Issue of 1922-25

FLAT PLATE PRINTING

PERFORATED 11



Nathan Hale



Benjamin Franklin



Warren G. Harding



George Washington



Abraham Lincoln



Martha Washington



Theodore Roosevelt



James A. Garfield



William McKinley



Ulysses S. Grant



Thomas Jefferson



James Monroe



Rutherford B. Hayes



Grover Cleveland




American Indian



Statue of Liberty



UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE



*Issue of 1923-26*

ROTARY PRESS PRINTING

PERFORATED 11 x 10



PERFORATED 10



**T**HE same designs used in the previous issue were used for this printing. In order to overcome the tendency of Rotary Press stamps to curl, the Bureau of Engraving and Printing used gum breaker bars. These bars which are colorless, raised, impressions may be seen on the gummed side of mint rotary press stamps.

Huguenot-Walloon Tercentenary  
1924



Ship, New Netherlands



Landing at Fort Orange



Monument at Mayport, Fla.

**I**SSUED to commemorate the 300th anniversary of the settling of the Walloons in New Netherlands, now the State of New York. First placed on sale on May 1, 1924.

Lexington-Concord  
1925



Washington at Cambridge



Birth of Liberty



The Minute Man

**I**SSUED to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Lexington and Concord. First placed on sale on April 4, 1925.

Norse-American  
1925



Sloop Restaurasjonen



Viking Ship

**T**o commemorate the 100th anniversary of the arrival at New York, on October 9th, 1825, of the first immigrants to the United States from Norway. First placed on sale May 18, 1925. The 5c stamp features an exact copy of a Viking ship that was sailed to Chicago from Norway in 1893 by Capt. Magnus Anderson and a crew of twenty sailors.





Issue of 1925-26

FLAT PLATE PRINTING  
PERFORATED 11



Benjamin Harrison



Woodrow Wilson

Issue of 1926

ROTARY PRESS PRINTING  
IMPERFORATE



Warren G. Harding

ROTARY PRESS PRINTING

Issue of 1926-34

PERFORATED 11 x 10½



**A**FTER much experimentation the Bureau of Engraving and Printing decided that the 11 by 10½ perforation was the most suitable for the rotary press printed stamps and is still in use in 1950.

Issue of 1922-25

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Golden Gate



Niagara Falls



Bison



Arlington Amphitheatre



Lincoln Memorial



U. S. Capitol



America

IMPERFORATE



Benjamin Franklin



Warren G. Harding



George Washington

WITH this issue an entirely new series was made available to the American public. It featured presidents, famous Americans, and pictures of the American scene.





*Issue of 1930*

PERFORATED 11 x 10½

ROTARY PRESS PRINTING

COILS PERFORATED 10 VERTICALLY



Warren G. Harding



William Howard Taft



*Issue of 1931*

ROTARY PRESS PRINTING

PERFORATED 11 x 10½



PERFORATED 10½ x 11



*Issue of 1932*

ROTARY PRESS PRINTING

COIL STAMPS PERFORATED 10

PERFORATED 11 x 10½

VERTICALLY

HORIZONTALLY

VERTICALLY



George Washington



James A. Garfield

**F**OLLOWING the death of President William Howard Taft the Post Office Department issued a new 4-cent stamp bearing his likeness.



UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE



## SPECIAL DELIVERY

PRINTED BY THE AMERICAN BANK NOTE CO.

PERFORATED 12

UNWATERMARKED

*Issue of 1885*



*Issue of 1888*



*Issue of 1893*

Messenger Running

PRINTED BY THE BUREAU OF ENGRAVING AND PRINTING

*Issue of 1894*



DOUBLE-LINE WATERMARK

*Issue of 1895*



*Issue of 1908*



Helmet of Mercury

*Issue of 1902*



Messenger on Bicycle

SINGLE-LINE WATERMARK

*Issue of 1911*



*Issue of 1914*



PERFORATED 10

**T**HE demand for fast delivery of mail brought forth the Special Delivery Issues. When affixed to a letter it indicated that the letter would secure immediate attention and be delivered between hours of 7 A.M. and midnight.





**SPECIAL DELIVERY**

UNWATERMARKED  
FLAT PLATE PRINTING

*Issue of 1916*  
PERFORATED 10



*Issue of 1917*  
PERFORATED 11



*Issue of 1922*  
PERFORATED 11



FLAT PLATE PRINTING

*Issue of 1925*  
PERFORATED 11



*Issue of 1925*  
PERFORATED 11



ROTARY PRESS PRINTING

*Issue of 1927*  
PERFORATED 11 x 10½



ROTARY PRESS PRINTING  
PERFORATED 11 x 10½

*Issue of 1931*



*Issue of 1944*



*Issue of 1944*



*Issue of 1951*



*Issue of 1954*



*Issue of 1957*





# PARCEL POST STAMPS

Issue of 1912-13

PERFORATED 12

SINGLE-LINE WATERMARK



Post Office Clerk



City Carrier



Railway Postal Clerk



Rural Carrier



Mail Train



Steamship and Mail Tender



Automobile Service



Airplane Carrying Mail



Manufacturing



Dairying



Harvesting



Fruit Growing

**S**PECIFICALLY created to meet the requirements of fourth class matter by Act of Congress approved August 24, 1912, these stamps were declared valid for all purposes for which regular stamps were valid. The 20 cent value featured as the central part of its design an aeroplane and this was the first time any country had ever featured an aeroplane on its stamps.



PARCEL POST POSTAGE DUE  
Issue of 1912



SPECIAL HANDLING  
Issue of 1925-29



REGISTRATION STAMP  
Issue of 1911

PERFORATED 12  
SINGLE-LINE WATERMARK



Issued to prepay registry fees these stamps were soon discontinued, as ordinary postage stamps were valid for the same purpose.



The Special Handling series of stamps were provided for use on fourth class matter and when affixed would secure for such mail the expeditious handling accorded to first class matter.

CERTIFIED MAIL STAMP  
Issue of 1955

PERFORATED 10½ x 11



Issued as a simplified form of registration applicable to mail having no intrinsic value.



## HUNTING PERMIT STAMPS

Issue of 1934



Issue of 1935



Issue of 1936



Issue of 1937



Issue of 1938



Issue of 1939



Issue of 1940



Issue of 1941



Issue of 1942



Issue of 1943



Issue of 1944



Issue of 1945



ISSUED to license hunters as authorized by Act of Congress. The revenue produced goes to maintain waterfowl life in the United States. These stamps are considered by many to be among the most beautiful issues created.





HUNTING PERMIT STAMPS

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Issue of 1946



Issue of 1947



Issue of 1948



Issue of 1949



Issue of 1950



Issue of 1951



Issue of 1952



Issue of 1953



Issue of 1954



Issue of 1955



Issue of 1956



Issue of 1957







HUNTING PERMIT STAMPS

(continued)

Issue of 1958



Issue of 1959



Issue of 1960



Issue of 1961



Issue of 1962



Issue of 1963



Issue of 1964



Issue of 1965



Issue of 1966



Issue of 1967





## Federal Boating Stamps

1960



Motor Boat in Action



Motor Boat in Action

Available from April 1, 1960 in two denominations. The \$3 denomination will cover the filing of an application and will be valid for a period of three years. A \$1 stamp will cover charges for the reissuance of a lost or destroyed certificate of number.

## Internal Revenue Commemorative

1962



Internal Revenue Building,  
Washington, D.C.

The first commemorative documentary stamp ever issued by the Federal Government marked the 100th anniversary of Internal Revenue, which was instituted during Abraham Lincoln's administration. Giori Press Printing.