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Our Secretary, Jim McDevitt, has asked to step down from his EFOCC duties, due to his worsening eyesight. Your Board, with great regret accepted Jim's resignation. We are very sorry to see him leave his service to the EFOCC, which he has for many years, in many positions, ably fulfilled. Indeed, since becoming a Member in the early days of the EFOCC, he has stepped up to the plate many times, often when the Club was in dire need. We will have a longer write-up about Jim and his contributions to the EFOCC in the upcoming issue.

Your Board has appointed Scott Shaulis of Murrysville, PA, EFOCC Life Member \#40, to serve out the rest of Jim's term. We hope that he will also stand for election in 2014, when we need to hold elections for a new Board. On behalf of our Members, I would like to welcome Scott to the EFOCC Board and thank him for accepting to help us out. Please feel free to communicate with Scott using his e-mail address scottshaulis@comcast.net. If you prefer to use snail mail, his address is on page 4.

So, you've heard by now that the new release of the "Inverted Jenny" has some copies that were intentionally "uninverted", and that is, of course, not an EFO by any stretch of the imagination. Yet, this un-inverted Jennies created quite some fuss, with more than a few predicting that they will very valuable in 75 years. I received correspondence reflecting opinions on that, but also on how sloppily the issue was printed. So, to capture all there is to it, I edited an article with the various comments and scans sent to me by various EFO hunters! As usual, I encourage you to follow up with your $2 \phi$, which I always enjoy and may even appear in the next issue...

Happy hunting!

## Cemil $\mathbf{O}$



## Letters to The Editor

## Error in Exhibitor Listings

In the listing of "Exhibiting EFOCC Members" on page 5 of the April-June 2013 issue of The EFO Collector, there is a most unusual and erroneous listing for me under the heading for the Minnesota Stamp Expo 2013. The only Exhibit that I entered there was the Classic France: Postal History of the Ceres and Napoleon Issues of 1849-75, which won a gold. The listing that you printed on page 5 are the results from my exhibition in the Minnesota show July 2009, four years earlier. I'm not sure how that happened. A correction would be appreciated. Thank you.

## Eliot A. Landau

Your Editor replies: First, congratulations on your Gold in this year's Minnesota Stamp Expo. It should come as no
surprise that your Editor peruses various sources to collect the list of EFOCC Exhibitors. In this particular case, my usual sources did not have the results for the Minnesota show, yet I was aware that the show had taken place, so in my zeal to provide the latest info, I went to the show's website to pick up the results, and, clearly, picked up the results for the wrong year! My apologies. The listings on page 5 contain the corrected listings. Thank you for alerting me to the error.

## A New EFO Website

As a fellow collector of error stamps, I wanted to share with you my newly designed website dedicated just for stamps with inverted center errors: www.invertedcenter.com. I hope you and your members enjoy and also learn from it. It's not finished yet, but it will be updated every week with material that I have collected or of pictures that I have come across.

Good luck and keep up the good work.

## Joseph Camilleri

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## Questions/Answers Edited by Cemil Betanov



Les Mitchell from Montpelier, OH, asked: I was told by the editor of Scott Publishing Co., Chad Snee, to contact you to see if you would like to take a look at my flawed mint block of Einstein. I would like to know what it may be worth. The glue is intact and the back is completely normal.
John Hotchner \& Cemil Betanov replied: This is a freak, i.e., a one-off error, rather than a constant variety (an error). The item would be interesting to a collector who collects Einstein-related stamps or this particular series or perhaps is looking for this type of error. A dealer may ask $\$ 50$ for it, but you should not expect to sell it at that price, unless you have a collector who is particularly interested in this item. A more realistic price may be around $\$ 25$.
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Andrew McFarlane, First Days of the 1929 George Rogers Clark Commemorative, Grand \& Gold, American First Day Cover Society - Best First Day Cover Exhibit, American First Day Cover Society Lawrence S. Fisher Best Research
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II Charles J. O'Brien, III, Ohio Sesquicentennial, Gold.
David Bize, 1954 Nebraska Territorial Commemorative, Vermeil.
Eliot A. Landau, Oh Freedom! The $194013^{\text {th }}$ Amendment Commemorative, the Stamp, its First Day Covers and Postal Uses, Vermeil.
II Eliot A. Landau, The Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial Series of 1945-46 and its FDC's, Vermeil.
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BALPEX 2013, August 30-September 1, 2013, Hunt Valley, MD
Robert D. Rawlins, Submarine Arctic Operations, Gold, Lighthouse Stamp Society Award, Universal Ship Cancellation II Society Andy Fernandez Award for Best Exhibit of Naval Covers.

Fran Adams, Eskimo, Single Frame - Silver Bronze.
OKPEX 2013, October 25-26, 2013, Oklahoma City, OK
iI Andrew McFarlane, The 1947 Postage Stamp Centenary Commemorative, Grand \& Gold, American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors Award of Excellence (Title Page), American First Day Cover Society Award, American Philatelic Society 1940-1980 Medal of Excellence.



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| 158 | \$10 | 161 | \$20 | 162 | \$11 | 165 | \$50 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Members, please note: Unsold lots from Auctions 131 and 132 are available for sale on a first come-first served basis for $\$ 1$ over the reserve price with no buyer's commission and no postage. Please contact the Auction Director to purchase these lots.

## Auction 133: A Nice Selection

## Dave Hunt

Auction 133 should appeal to those who collect perforation varieties, as by luck of the draw it seems that's what the majority of the lots are. Lot 35 is a nice example of the 1975 Christmas stamp perforated neatly down the middle. I think stamps where the plate number or other marginal inscription is fully or mostly included inside the perfs are fun to collect. Errors of this sort on the 3c Francis Parkman stamp are not rare, but here in lots $40 \& 41$ there is a nice pair of 'bookends' in the LL plate number block and the LR ZIP block with inscriptions mostly inside the perfs. The auction also includes misperfed pairs of the 'A', 'B', 'C' and 'D' coil stamps (lots 51,52, 54 and 55) - start a mini-collection. Lot 58 shows a dramatic misalignment of the vertical perfs.

Color shifts are not ignored, though, and lot 60 has an interesting pair of shifts with the U.S.MAIL and Eagle logo shifted left while the surrounding gold lettering "UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE" is shifted right. Lots 80-85 are a nice group of 19th century stamps with four misperfs and two with pre-printing creases.

Good hunting!
Questions/Answers (Continued from page 3)


Dick Busch asked: I have a sheet of 3427 58\& Margaret Smith with an ink error on the 4th stamp top row. I cannot find another anywhere or a value of this error. Any possibility you would be able to give me some information and value. Thank you, Dick Busch, Ashley Falls, MA.

John Hotchner \& Cemil Betanov replied: This appears a nonconstant plate variety, John Hotchner pointed out, as there are no reports, as far as we can tell, of additional items that would indicate this is a constant plate variety. This makes it a one-off (freak), interesting to a collector who has a particular interest in the stamp, but not particularly valuable.
Dick Busch asked: I have this rare Plate Block and its Certificate. I was wondering if you would know of anyone that might be interested in it. There were only four of these, I believe.. One sold for $\$ 35,000.00$ a while back. Thank you. Dick
John Hotchner replied: Since singles go for in excess of $\$ 3000$, a plate block of 10 , which catalogs for $\$ 37,500$, would certainly be in that range. As to who might be interested, the best thing you can do is contact a first line auction firm because that is where you will get the best access to people who would be interested and the best realization - assuming indeed that you have a good certificate.


## New Zealand Missing Colour Errors in Recent Auctions Joseph Monteiro

Collecting postage stamps errors has been one of the most fascinating areas in philately. It is not only rewarding but educational. It challenges philatelists not only to understand the cause of the error but also to investigate how many of these errors exist. There are many sub-groups of errors. The subgroup that has traditionally attracted the most attention is inverts, i.e. where one part of the design on the stamp is inverted with respect to the other part of the design on the stamp. There are other errors that occur during the printing process that fall under other subgroups. These subgroups are missing colour errors, shifted colour errors, etc. These errors are all related to the printing of stamps. Besides printing there are other types of errors that are found on stamps. Some of them are related to the perforating process, others are related to the paper on which the stamp is printed, and still others to paper folds or creases that exist on the paper on which the stamps are printed or perforated, etc. In this article, I shall review some of the missing colour errors on New Zealand stamps that were offered for sale in recent auction catalogues.

## Missing Colour Errors

In the history of printing stamps, printers initially printed one colour stamps using the engraving process. Later, printers began to print two or more coloured stamps by printing parts of the design with one colour and then taking the partially printed sheets and then printing them with the second colour. As technology advanced, printers began to make increasing use of the lithographic process using a four colour printing presses, and, later, a six colour printing press. Other printing processes have also been developed and used. Today, most modern stamps are printed in many colours. By mixing the four base colours, cyan, magenta, yellow and black, any other colour can be produced. A process called colour separation is also used. At each stage in the printing, a different colour is printed to give the design on the stamps the desired colour. The colour inks used in the printer are held in different containers, and the flow of these inks from the containers to the printing plate is controlled by the printer's computer.
Third Pictorials - Pikiarero - 1960
In 1960, New Zealand Post issued a definitive set of twenty-three pictorial stamps ( $1 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ to $£ 1$ ) depicting a variety of pictorials ranging from flowers to the Geyser. The 6 d stamp depicted the Pikiarero flower, more commonly referred to as the Clematis. The auction catalogue described this omitted colour error as follows:

2054 ** 6d Clematis Block of 4 with Lilac \& Olive Colour Omitted with a Major Perforation Shift Error unh (4) PHOTO-PLATE 8. ... \$1000 [1].

This error is interesting in that it has both a colour omitted error and a misperforation error. In addition, omitted colour error refers to two colours omitted, lilac and olive. The effect is quite dramatic and cannot be missed, even by non-collectors. It is likely that this error occurred because the printing press The EFO Collector | www.efocc.org

was shut off before the two other colours were applied. When more than one colour is missing on a stamp, I prefer to believe that is was because the printer was turned off rather than because there were two missing colours or two errors on the same pane of stamps. The probability of two errors occurring on the same pane of stamp is much greater than the probability of just getting one error. Further, we know from experience that even one error very rarely occurs.

## Third Pictorials - Kowhai - 1960



From the same pictorial series noted above, a second omitted colour stamp was offered for sale, the 3d Kowhai. The auction catalogue described this omitted colour error as follows:

1194 ** 1960 3d flower, error yellow colour omitted, in vertical pair with normal CP 05a/z Cat \$400. MUH. $\$ 250$ [2].

This error is interesting in that it shows both the normal stamp with the missing coloured error stamp beneath it. One cannot miss the error on this stamp as one of the stamps have the correct yellow colour and the other stamp does not have the yellow colour. It is likely that this error occurred because the yellow colour in the printer was finished. I suspect that the effect of this is that if one had an entire pane of stamps with this error one would be able to see the gradual fading of the yellow colour on the pane of stamps. It is unlikely that the fading would be uniform.

## Fourth Pictorials - Fox Glacier - 1967/69

In 1967/69, New Zealand Post issued additional stamps as part of its fourth pictorial series. One of these stamps was the

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$28 \varnothing$ stamp, depicting Fox Glacier. The auction catalogue described this omitted colour error as follows:

288 * 1968284 Fox Glacier error-yellow colour omitted. SCARCE. With normal for comparison. CP OD 27a(y). MUH. Similar items have recently been sold at or in excess of this price. \$3,000 [3].

The omitted yellow error on the stamp is quite noticeable when compared to the normal stamp (see top of next page). The yellow is missing on the shrubs on the mountain side and on the leaves on the trees, giving the stamps a whitish colour. As in the earlier error, I suspect that the printer ran dry of the yellow ink in it, creating the missing or omitted colour error.


Fifth Pictorials - Puriri Moth - 1970/71


In 1970/71, New Zealand Post issued a definitive set of twenty-one pictorial stamps in decimal currency ( $1 / 2 \notin$ to $\$ 2$ ) depicting a variety of pictorials ranging from butterflies and moths to helicopters. The pale green and light yellow $4 \phi$ stamp depicts the Puriri Moth. The auction catalogue described this omitted colour error as follows:

293 * 1973 4¢ Moth, block of 4 with right selv., major printing error purple-brown (background colour) omitted, no wmk. CP P6cx. Cat \$2200. MUH. \$850 [4].

This error is quite noticeable with the entire purple-brown background colour missing. As in the earlier error, I suspect that the printer ran dry of the purple-brown colour creating the missing colour error.

Fifth Pictorials - John Dory - 1970/71


From the above described pictorial series, a second omitted colour stamp was offered for sale, the $8 \notin$ John Dory. The auction catalogue described this omitted colour error as follows:

295 * 1974 8\& Fish error: blue green (background) colour omitted, no wmk. In block of 4. STUNNING! With normal for comparison. $S G$ Pllb(x). Cat. \$3,600. MUH. \$2,000 [5].

This error, like the previous one, is quite noticeable with the entire blue-green background colour missing. As in the earlier error, I suspect that the printer ran dry of the blue-green colour, creating the missing or omitted colour error.
Fifth Pictorials - Tussock Butterfly - 1970/71


From the same fifth pictorial series, a third omitted colour stamp was offered for sale, the $2 \phi$ Tussock Butterfly. The auction catalogue described this omitted colour error as follows:

1397 ** 1970-73 2ф Butterfly BLACK OMITTED UHM no wmk., CP P3b(X) cat $\$ 750+G S T$ (1) (Photo front cover). \$600 [6].

This missing colour error is quite stunning as the effect of the missing black colour does not reveal the entire design of the butterfly, just two wings. The cause of the error, as in most missing colour errors is because the printer ran dry of the black colour creating the missing colour error. Occasionally, the reason is because the computer controlling the flow of ink in the printer gets shut off before the entire pane is printed.
Christmas Stamp - 2009


In 2009, New Zealand Post issued a set of eight stamps to celebrate Christmas. Some of these stamps were also issued in coil and booklet format. One of these stamps, the $50 \Varangle$ value, was issued in booklet format ( $10 \times 50 \phi$ ). The omitted colour error stamp came from one of these $50 \notin$ booklet. The auction catalogue described this omitted colour error as follows:

351 C 2009 50ф self-adhesive (booklet) Christmas stamp missing gold (background) unused but affixed to Christmas card env. One only found thus \& all were affixed to Xmas mail prior to a $2^{\text {nd }}$ booklet (ordinary) being used for more mail. This was when the error was discovered, resulting in ten covers not being mailed/cancelled. With normal MUH for comparison. Stunning error. CP SC51hz, unpriced. \$1,250 [7].

This error came from stamp issued in booklet format. The auctioneer described this error as stunning with the gold colour missing. Like other missing colour errors, I suspect this error resulted because of lack of gold ink in the printing machine.
Health Stamps - Poaka - 1959
In 1959, New Zealand Post issued two health stamps (2d and 3d) depicting the Tete and Poaka. The 3d stamp depicts the Poaka, a bird in black and white colour with pinkish coloured legs against a blue background. This error came from a miniature sheet of six stamps ( 3 rows and 2 columns). The auction catalogue described this omitted colour error as follows:

1780 * 1959 3d+1d Poaka, error horiz (plate number) pair - red colour omitted, ex $\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{s}$. Minor gum glazing on left selv. With normal for comparison. Cat $\$ 350$ ea as singles. MUH. \$500 [8].

The missing red colour on the birds legs will stand out for collectors familiar with New Zealand stamps. Other errors of this stamp also exist, one such error was with the red coloured legs shifted to the left.


Health Stamps - Tarapunga - 1964
In 1964, New Zealand Post issued two health stamps ( $21 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ and 3d), depicting the Tarapunga and the Korora. The $2 \frac{1}{2}$ d depicts the Tarapunga (Seagull) against a blue sky background standing on a yellow beach.

2004 * $196421 / 2 d+1 d$ Seagull, error red colour omitted, with normal for comparison, CP T36az, Cat $\$ 800$. MUH. \$500 [9].

This error like the previous error also has the red colour missing, it is most noticeable on the beak and feet of the birds. Other errors of this stamp have also been found with the beak shifted and with the blue sky shifted.

## Health Stamps - Weka - 1966

In 1966, New Zealand Post issued two health stamps (3d and 4d) depicting the Bellbird and the Weka. The 4d depicts the Weka. It is a flightless bird but very inquisitive. It feeds on rats and protects other birds from this rodent. The bird is shown in brown against a green background. The auction catalogue described this omitted colour error as follows:

2015 * $19664 d+1 d$ Weka, stunning error, sepia colour omitted resulting in nameless bird \& valueless stamp, with normal for comparison. Minor gum blemish on front or error. Scarce - only 2 sheets (lst column) affected. CP T38bz. Cat \$4000. MUH. \$2000 [10].

This error is quite spectacular, with the name of the bird and the value of the stamp missing on it, together with the light green background. It appears that printing machine ran out of ink. I suspect that this is the explanation for the error as other stamps in the pane were found with this colour partially missing. Before the printer came to the last column of stamps it ran dry of ink assuming that the pane was printed sideways. This sometimes happens in the printing of stamps.

## Conclusion

Missing colour errors on postage stamps is an interesting and important sub-group of philatelic errors. This is easily seen by the high prices many of these errors are sold for by stamp retailers and auctioneers. Unfortunately, this sub-group of printing errors has been the subject of more controversy than some of the other sub-groups. Questions have been raised whether some of the missing colour has been the result of exposure of stamps to sunlight which gradually causes the colour to fade and sometime disappear. Similar questions have been raised whether the absence of a colour has been caused because stamps have been chemically treated to remove the colour and create the impression that the missing colour is an error. Sometimes, it is very difficult to determine if these missing colour errors are genuine. It is therefore best to obtain the opinion of an expertisation agency. For a reasonable fee, these agencies not only provide collectors with an opinion but also give the stamp a certificate of authenticity. It is always better to be prudent than to be sorry. $\%$
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# U.S. AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY ISSUES OF 1934-1936 

## Introduction

Three different U.S. 16c Air Mail Special Delivery issues [1934 blue, 1935 imperforate blue and 1936 bicolor-red and blue] were produced to combine two separate postal services-the 6 c air mail rate and the 10 c special delivery fee. This unique stamp concept was successful in expediting the franking and delivery of AMSD for a decade until the postal rate and fee for these services were increased in 1944. These dual-purpose issues were the only such stamps ever produced by the Post Office and all Philatelic Agency sales for the 1936 16c bicolor AMSD issue were suspended on Aug. 20, 1948.

## Scope and Presentation

This is a traditional exhibit that explores the preproduction, production and postal usages to 1948 of the three 16c AMSD issues. The 10 frame display presents a panorama of the finest known and previously unknown material on these stamps that were acquired over the past 34 years by the exhibitor. For the AMSD issues, there are 3 different recorded proofs, of which 2 examples [Frame 1, Page 2 \& Frame 1, Page 3] are shown-the missing piece is the 1936 bicolor small die proof. The last known bicolor proof was sold in the Oct. 18, 1972 Robert A. Siegel auction \#419. This auction occurred 6 years before the exhibitor started collecting the AMSD series. Since 1972, no other examples have appeared upon the philatelic market for acquisition. Also, this exhibit introduces the first known UPU Portuguese Colonies Specimens and the unlisted Experimental Die proof with the Great Seal engraving that was employed for the blue vignette on the 1936 bicolor issue.

Although a multitude of production anomalies (EFO's) are shown for the AMSD issues, the only major printing error was a 1936 16c bicolor pane of 50 stamps that was imperforate vertically. From this error sheet, which was separated in 1949 by the H.E. Harris Company, a horizontal pair and center line block of 4 [Frame 6, Page 6] are featured in the exhibit.

One of the most challenging tasks in this specialty was acquiring AMSD perfins. The 1977 BIA's (now USSS) publication, "The Airmail Special Delivery Stamps of the United States", recorded only 12 different perfin patterns for the 1936 bicolor issue. None were listed for the 1934 issue. It took the exhibitor 25 years to acquire 4 different 1934 AMSD perfins for this exhibit in 2003. However, during a four month period in 2008, " 3 " more incredible copies appeared. Now the exhibit hosts a magnificent display of 7 different patterns on the 1934 AMSD issue [Frame 2, Page 5]. During the past 34 years, the exhibitor obtained 37 different perfins for the 1936 bicolor issue and 21 of these patterns are shown in the exhibit.

The AMSD issues were primarily intended for domestic mail so most foreign destination usages with these stamps and additional franking are scarce-some are extremely rare. During the AMSD stamps' period of usage, the special delivery fee was 20c for the few UPU treaty countries that handled this service. The special delivery fee was 20c to Canada but it was reduced to 10c on April 15, 1939. In the early 1930's, the foreign air mail rate varied from country to country so many overseas AMSD letters contained complex franking. Some letters were either underpaid or overpaid while others improperly used the 10c special delivery fee for postage. The postal regulation (Act of Aug. 4, 1886-4 Stat 17) clarified that the special delivery fee was not valid for postage or any other postal services. This restriction was misunderstood by the general public and seldom enforced by the Post Office for domestic and international mail. Even the Philatelic Agency violated this Post Office policy [Frame 2, Page 1] by using the special delivery fee for the registry service to Canada.

This exhibit concludes with some rare wartime postal history usages of the last AMSD issue. During WWII, U.S. Armed Forces personnel were given free franking privileges on first class mail. However, some servicemen franked their letters with the 16c AMSD stamp that they brought with them into the war zone. APOs did not carry the 16 c issue in their stamp stock so all overseas military AMSD franked mail are scarce. On March 26, 1944, just 17 months before the end of WWII, new postal rates were introduced and the 16 c dual-purpose issues lost its status as a single franking domestic stamp.


Synopsis-front side.

## Personal Study and Research

On the 1936 bicolor issue, several significant research projects were conducted by the exhibitor. One notable project [Frame 5, Pages 5-6] involved a five year study from 1990-1995 that uncovered the 5 missing Type 1 experimental red plates with 2 additional subtypes. In 1977, only 3 different experimental types were known and documented in the BIA's publication of "The Airmail Special Delivery Issues of the United States". The exhibitor's personal research extended the Type 1 experimental plates from the previous 3 recorded types to 10 different varieties for the eight red plate numbers.

Another research project [Frame 5, Page 10] involved the bicolor Type 4 "dashes and dots" selvage markings that are located in the extreme lower corners of the eight red plates. There are no known studies on these red markings. For 34 years, the exhibitor has been seeking panes of 50 stamps with these elusive imprints, however, only partial images in the $80-85 \%$ range have been discovered by the exhibitor. Eight corner singles showing the "dashes and dots" markings were utilized for this exhibit since it was impractical to display the eight different full sheets in the exhibitor's main collection.

## Difficulty of Acquisition

Significant pieces worth noting are identified below and highlighted with a "blue" asterisk symbol throughout the exhibit.

| Exhibit Item Description and Philatelic Significance E | Frame Page |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1934 Issue - Large Black Color Trial Proof: The finest of 2 known copies-other proof has a trimmed down matte. | 12 |
| 1934 Issue - Small Die Proof: Dark blue on wove paper stock-one of two known copies-PF Certificate 72333. | 3 |
| 1934 Issue - UPU Portuguese Colonies Specimen: Auction discovery copy in Aug. 2000-PF Certificate 0364716. | . 13 |
| 1934 Issue - BEP Gumming Production Error: Gum applied to both sides of the stamp-PF Certificate F197029. | 111 |
| 1934 Issue - Experimental Machine Gum Breaker: Exhibitor's discovery-previously unknown to Gum Specialists. | . 112 |
| 1934 Issue - P.O. Violation of Special Delivery Fee: Philatelic Agency improperly using the SD fee for registration. | 1 |
| 1934 Issue - Philadelphia, Pa. Precancel: Only legitimate precancel usage-formerly in the Carl Betts collection. | 24 |
| 1934 Issue - Dallas to Chicago Interrupted Flight: One of two reported crash covers with the 1934 AMSD issue. | 210 |
| 1934 Issue - Quarantine Cover: Rare auxiliary marking-New York City Port Facility, "Landing Dept., Quarantine". | 211 |
| 1934 Issue - New York City Pneumatic Tube Mail: Rare auxiliary marking-The Hotel New Yorker/Tube Station \#2. | 2. 212 |
| 1934 Issue - Hindenburg Flight: Rare and proper AMSD franking to Germany with the 193350 c Zeppelin issue. | 38 |
| 1934 Issue - First American Rocket Flight: Postcard franked with four red rocket stamps-one of five in existence. | - 39 |
| 1934 Issue - First American Rocket Flight: Cover franked with four green rocket stamps-one of five in existence. | 39 |
| 1934 Issue - To Korea via Japanese Air Mail: Airline service provided by Japan Air Transport Company [NKYKK]. | 314 |
| 1934 Issue - To Manchoukuo via Chinese Air Mail: Airline service by CNAC in China and MKKK in Manchoukuo. | 315 |
| 1934 Issue - To Java via Netherlands Air Mail: Airline service by KLM-largest recorded multiple foreign franking. | 316 |
| 1935 Issue - Private "Perforated 14" Farley Issue Cover: One of two known copies-both discovered by exhibitor. | 46 |
| 1935 Issue - American Postal Machines Company Flag Cancellation: Only reported commercial flag cancel usage. | e. 410 |
| 1935 Issue - Postcard Franking: Rocket flight postcard-one of five with block of 4. Only reported postcard usage. | . 412 |
| 1936 Issue - Great Seal Experimental Die Proof: Unlisted proof showing the 1936 AMSD Great Seal vignette die. | 51 |
| 1936 Issue - UPU Portuguese Colonies Specimen: Auction discovery copy in Aug. 2000-PF Certificate 0364717. | . 52 |
| 1936 Issue - Full Blue Chrome "C": Only known Type 2 full " $C$ " from 13 reported copies-also a full Type 4 exists. | 5 |
| 1936 Issue - Experimental Machine Gum Breaker: Exhibitor's discovery-previously unknown to Gum Specialists. | 6 |
| 1936 Issue - Imperforate Vertically Error: The center line block with a left margin pair from the error sheet of 50. | 66 |
| 1936 Issue - FDC with Largest Known Multiple Plate Block: Rare usage with plate strip of 10-one of two known. | 7 |
| 1936 Issue - Philadelphia, Pa. Precancel: Only legitimate precancel usage-formerly in the Carl Betts collection. | 8 |
| 1936 Issue - Worlds Fair Sta. Postmark: Exhibitor's discovery-only known copy in Bomar's 2007 Exposition book. | k. 76 |
| 1936 Issue - LA to Salt Lake City Interrupted Flight: One of two reported crash covers with the 1936 AMSD issue. | . 8 |
| 1936 Issue - Four Country Franking: "Around-the-world" FAM-18 first flight cover from and to Shediac, Canada. | 98 |
| 1936 Issue - Two Ocean Flight via Zeppelin/Clipper: Incoming 16c AMSD from Germany to the Philippine Islands. | . 9 |
| 1936 Issue - Around-the-World Hindenburg Cover: Zeppelin to Germany, onward to China \& redirected to the U.S. | . 9 |
| 1936 Issue - To Java via Netherlands Air Mail: Ship transit to the Netherlands and airline service by KLM to Java. | . 916 |
| World War II - Dec. 8, 1941 First Day Cover: Historical WWII date-the "Declaration of War" from Washington, D.C. | 101 |
| World War II - Operation "Plum" Cover: Secret military reinforcement of the Philippines just 17 days prior to WWII. | 102 |
| World War II - Corregidor, Philippine Islands Cover: POW survivor from the fall of Corregidor and "The Great Raid". | 103 |
| World War II - Arcadia Conference: 1st British-American conference with Churchill-established the United Nations. | s. 104 |
| World War II - Trident Conference: 3rd British-American conference with Churchill-authorized D-Day in May 1944. | . 104 |
| World War II - Official War Ballot Cover: Only reported 16c AMSD usage shown in Russ Carter's "War Ballots" book. | k. 107 |
| Worid War II - Not Charged to Allocation: Rare postal auxiliary marking denying a parcel shipment to a serviceman. | ก. 108 |
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Synopsis-back side.

## The Inverted Jenny Production of the USPS

Edited by Cemil Betanov with contributions from Stuart Bradley, Dave Hunt $\mathcal{E}$ John Hotchner


Some time ago, your Editor started to receive comments about the new Inverted Jenny, enough to distill them in an article.

The starting point was the EFO potential of this new issue, but there is more to discuss than that. As our readers will be aware, the USPS has also decided to run a sort of lottery by inserting un-inverted sheets, and this is also something that, even if not in EFO territory, is worthwhile to discuss.

It all started with two e-mails I received just around the same time, from Dave Hunt, our Treasurer, and Stuart Bradley, longtime EFOCC Member \#695.

Dave sent me a scan, a detail of which is shown to the right and commented "...Although not exactly dramatic, there is a fair amount of blue contamination in the red. All the sheets I bought today show this to some extent, but this example is the most pronounced. Perhaps other members might report what they find? " Actually, there was more than Dave indicated in his scan. If one looks at to upper right corner of the left stamp, there was also an ink overflow or bleeding, present to a lesser extent also on the right stamp. Still, compared to others, Dave got "decent" stamps!

Stuart e-mailed me on September $24^{\text {th }}$ the scan shown above and commented:

"I attended the First Day Stamp Ceremony on Sunday, September $22^{\text {nd }}$ for the Inverted Jenny Sheet of $6 \$ 2$ stamps at the National Postal Museum. The first sheet I purchased had a number of problems: the selvage was yellow, the blue border was bleeding, the red stamp border was bleeding and the blue ink was migrating into the red border at the "U.S. Postage". I attach scans of that sheet. Each sheet is sealed inside an envelope which is sealed inside cellophane packaging. It is my understanding that the 2 million sheets were printed by intaglio in three passes of the press. I think this all adds up to a potential for some EFO material with this issue like we have not seen for a long time."

Hence we provide here an overview of the printing errors and then, the lottery aspect.

## The EFOs

It is useful to make a listing of all reported issues so far, based on Stuart's and Dave's reports. Note that several issues may and do appear on the same sheetlet:
i. Bleeding at the stamp edge

ii. Color cross-contamination, both blue contamination red areas but also red contaminating blue areas

iii. Shifted die-cuts

iv. Missing lines: Shown below, the line above "DOLLARS" is missing, but other lines may be missing as well.

v. White Dot (close to the upper right corner of the stamp): This is the one that has the potential of being a constant error, if it can be shown that it occurs repeatedly in a particular position. The example shown below has both the white dot as well as the missing line above the word DOLLARS.


Upon my consultation, the John Hotchner provided the following opinion: "This issue appears to have been printed on a Giori-type press in which multiple colors are applied to a single plate. The types of variety you speak of are common on the Giori press and Huck press (enhanced Giori process) stamps of the late 1950s into the 8c era particularly. Minor varieties for the most part, tracking to the inking process and wiping problems. Die cut shifts are a more modern phenomenon, and on productions, where the stamps to be die-cut, are out of the ordinary patterns, I am not surprised that some of these will get past inspection."

## The Lottery

Regarding the lottery aspect, if you read Linn's or other large stamp publications, you cannot have missed ads offering to buy the un-inverts at the right price!

On October $5^{\text {th }}$, Stuart again commented in an e-mail: "Did you get the news that the postal service printed 100 sheets of this issue with the plane right side up and that accounts for the security of the packaging? Is that not an EFO since it was intentional? How would you value such a modern rarity? As I calculate the odds there is a one in 20,000 chance of getting one of these when you purchase a sheet. I think this is a very bold move on the part of the Postal Service."

First things first: The un-invert is definitely not an EFO, since its creation was intentional by the USPS. Still, in the mist of time, things are forgotten, and we have no way of saying how these will be seen 50 or 100 years from now. The boundaries are not totally clear cut. Just think of John Hotchner's Perf Orations column that appeared in our January-March 2013 issue, titled: "Even Manufactured Varieties Can Be a Challenge! Try the Spanish Lindbergh Air, Scott C86." If the un-invert is not a "manufactured variety", then what is $i t$ ? The question is perhaps: Is it worth collectors' attention as a collectible? Judging from the ads offering to buy them up at the right price, some certainly seem to think so.

Here is John Hotchner's take, from an e-mail he sent me on October $5^{\text {th: }}$ : II think the price of this will climb rapidly to $\$ 500$ per sheetlet, and hang there for a while; after which, who knows. There are $100 \mathrm{C3aS}$, but 6000 of the new non-inverts (and no
they are definitely NOT EFOs which are essentially production mistakes). Depends upon how many collectors want one - can afford it, and how many are kept as full sheetlets. If most, then the price goes viral if the hobby does not rise up in protest. The judgment is not in on this one, as I get about equal reaction (wonderful idea -- kill the PMG) from people I have talked to. And of course I have not heard a categorical statement from the USPS that they will not print more, or haven't printed more and are ready to spring them."

On October $10^{\text {th }}$, I e-mailed Stuart, John and Dave: "I agree with John, in the sense that these are not EFOs, that's for sure. But the intentional generation of "rarities" works against the hobby, as I see it. If it becomes a habit, then it becomes a turnoff for people who aim at having complete collections, and, after having selected an "affordable" topic, they resent having to pay much more for a piece than the regular ones. It reminds me also of the policy if the German Democratic Republic of having a "key value" in each set, which often was not available to East Germans. I did not collect GDR as long as the country existed as a political entity..."

Stuart disagreed on October 11 ${ }^{\text {th: }}$ "I have to disagree, as I believe this is good for the hobby. I think the USPS has created a level of excitement for stamp collecting that we haven't seen since the Legends of the West lottery. I have purchased so many sheets I have enough $\$ 2$ stamps to mail packages for the next five years. I even found one rural VA post office had tampered with the packaging and the clerk was very excited about the issue saying it was like finding "a prize in a cracker jacks box". Non stamp collectors are finding out about this. The New York Times had an article about it. I would say, however, that in the past it seemed to be USPS policy to issue enough for everyone that wanted one to reasonably be able to get one. One hundred sheets is way too low for that, but I understand they wanted to mirror the 100 stamps of the original inverted Jenny find. As for this complete collection argument, I never had much patience for stamp collectors complaints about the USPS issuing too many stamps or this or that. A stamp program has to use the scatter gun approach to try and interest a large number of people. For me this year it was Civil War 1863, Modern Art and the Inverted Jenny. I have never had any trouble collecting what I like and disregarding the rest. It seems that people with a complete collection of anything get bored with it and end up selling it. That is why EFO's are so great, there is no complete collection despite the overuse of the "major error" designation by dealers. Buying one of these Jenny sheets is like buying a $\$ 12$ lottery ticket, only it is still worth $\$ 12$ as postage afterwards. You can't beat that."

OK, we can disagree and still be friends... What is your opinion? Do not hesitate to participate in the discussion by emailing or writing to the Editor, addresses are on page 4.0

## Shame On Me

## Ed Silver

Here's a little test - read the following paragraph:
Mary had a little lamb, little lamb, little lamb.
Mary had a a little lamb whose fleece was white as snow.
How many readers do you think missed the repetition of the letter "a" after the last "Mary had?"

Psychologists claim that people will often see or hear what they want to see or hear, frequently based on prior experiences. What does this have to do with error and freak stamps?

I saw an offer for a used $\$ 1$ Woodrow Wilson stamp (Scott 832) with a certificate. The stamp was described a as double impression. "A \#832 double impression," I said to myself. I realized that in over 70 years, no one had ever reported such an error! Yet, the asking price was relatively low. "What would such an error bring in the open market?" I asked myself. If I obtained the stamp, could I get the Scott catalog to list it? Thoughts of collectors I knew who would be glad to pay thousands for the stamp crossed my mind. I pondered as to which auction house I should contact and would the stamp be featured on a catalog cover... How about a headline article in Linn's?

So, I bought the stamp! As the psychologists suggested, I saw what I wanted to see. The certificate stated "it is genuine used" and I immediately ignored the rest of the certificate's narrative (shown below). The image of the double impression is clear on the stamp but difficult to see on the certificate; however, a careful reading of the balance of the description clearly indicates that the double impression was "added." Thus, the error is a fake. Shame on me! However, one could also argue that the Professional Stamps Experts could have been clearer in their description. How much more helpful would it have been if the stamp was described as "not a genuine double impression?" Shame on PSE!


## Modern Great Britain Errors



The QE2 stamp of 1969
Top stamp is the normal one. The lower left stamp has the blue background shifted left which displaces the white superstructure. The lower right stamp is missing the grey decks, 175 known.


2003 Christmas Stamps: Ice Sculptures
A small colour (hey, it is a British stamp, after all) shift, but I like it because the red and blue misalignment reminds me of the old 3-D comic books that you needed to wear the red/green glasses to get the effect. I was told about 300 copies exist of the $2^{\text {nd }}$ Class stamp, I don't have information about the quantity of the E stamp.

## PerfOrations: Expertizing Revisited

 John M. Hotchner P.O. Box 1125, Falls Church, VA 22041, jmhstamp@verizon.netWe last talked about this subject in the July, 2007, Perf Orations column. A copy of that article is available to EFOCC Members if you will send me a stamped addressed envelope at the PO Box address above. In it, I laid out the equipment that you need to become your own expert. Thinking about this, though, I left out an essential aspect, and that is the literature that you need to train yourself about what to look for as well as to educate yourself about what exists.

Why is the latter important? If a given commemorative was issued in 1963, and suddenly shows up in 2013, 50 years later as a new missing color, there is reason to question the authenticity of the presumed error. It is not impossible for such a stamp to be genuine, but it is highly unlikely that in 50 years, no other copies would have surfaced. So, referring to the Scott Specialized and/or the Datz Catalogue of Errors on U.S. Postage Stamps (now being published by Scott) to see if there is a listing is a good first step when considering something you are being offered.

So, let's take a look at the essential literature:
Datz Catalogue of Errors on U.S. Postage Stamps, by Stephen R. Datz, 2010, $15^{\text {th }}$ Edition, published by Scott Publishing

This can be purchased from Scott, via their Amos Press website, or used copies can be found on Amazon.com. Its primary focus is on detailed listings of imperfs, color-omitted errors, and inverts, which it both pictures and prices. But it also has chapters describing Printer's Waste, and EFOs \& other unusual stamps, as well as a chapter on definitions.
Scott Specialized Catalogue of United States Stamps 8 Covers, edited by Charles Snee, 2014, 92 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ Edition

While it is always good to have the latest, the price at about $\$ 100$ is daunting, and earlier editions, though missing the latest listings, will cost you half as much or less if you can find one via your local stamp shop, or your favorite philatelic literature outlet, or Amazon. The Scott Specialized does not show pictures of errors. It does, however, list lots of errors that Datz does not: Major plate varieties, missing tagging, major color varieties, gutter pairs, and more. And prices given will of course be much more current than in the 2010 Datz.
How To Detect Damaged, Altered, and Repaired Stamps, by Paul W. Schmid, 1979, published by Palm Press

This is a 100 -page gem. Inquire of your favorite philatelic literature dealer. While not much help with today's multicolor errors, this book is of immense value on the subjects of gum, perforations, alteration of routine stamps to make them appear like valuable first cousins, and on the production and properties of genuine coils. There are many good illustrations and subject and Scott number indices.

The next couple of references are specifically for U.S. issues:

The Expert's Book, A Practical Guide to the
Authentication of United States Stamps:
Washington/Franklin Issues 1908-1922, by Paul W.
Schmid, 1990, published by Palm Press
This is a reference that is important for both the accurate identification of stamps of the Washington/Franklin series, but also for identifying the errors in that series, as well as the frequently faked stamps. Its $200+$ pages present sections on the flat plate issues, the rotary press issues, the offsets, the different design types and how they can be altered to appear to be more expensive varieties, expertizing flat plate coils, and techniques for perforation measurement, design measurement, watermark detection and determination of printing method. Almost needless to say, the techniques and much other information is of use beyond Washington/Franklins.
Pamphlet Published by the APS
One of the more frustrating areas of expertizing is the Kansas-Nebraska overprints on the 1922 issue. A 33 -page combination pamphlet containing two essays was written in 1973 and published by the American Philatelic Society. It remains useful today. The two essays are: Counterfeit KansasNebraska Overprints on 1922-1934 Issue by Robert H. Schoen and James T. DeVoss, and First Day Covers of the KansasNebraska Overprints by Jack V. Harvey. It is out of print, but old copies are still available from literature dealers. Also, I have one extra copy, and the first person to write and ask gets it as a freebie.

The following are not specific to a particular country or issue. They include U.S. fakes, but also much more in the way of worldwide material. They make for informative and interesting reading:
Opinions I-Opinions VIII: Philatelic Expertizing - An Inside View, by various authors, 1983-2010, published by The Philatelic Foundation

20 to 40 articles per book describe how they determined the authenticity (or not) of difficult items PF experts expertized. Some still available from the PF (www.philatelicfoundation.org) and others from literature dealers; especially Subway Stamp Co.
Linn's Focus on Forgeries: A Guide to Forgeries of Common Stamps (Revised, Expanded Edition), by Varro E. Tyler, 2000.

This has over 350 short articles on often-forged worldwide stamps. Out of print. Available from philatelic literature dealers.
Forged Postage Stamps of the Americas (Excluding British Empire): Illustrated Reference Manual, based on H. Bynof-Smith's collection of Forged Postage Stamps of the World, 1991.

This will be a challenge to locate（from philatelic literature dealers）as it was published in Australia，but interesting for its treatment of especially back－of－the－book material．
Fundamentals of Philately，by L．N．Williams，Revised Edition，1990，published by the APS

This is a general reference work on the production of stamps，from design through packaging for shipment to the post office．It＇s jam－packed at 800 pages（plus index）and will tell you more than you ever wanted to know about how stamps are made－and，of even more importance to expertizers，how the process can misfire to create errors and other varieties． Understanding the production process is critical to understanding whether the＂patient＂you are expertizing can be the genuine article．It is also very well written and while it lacks the suspense of Sherlock Holmes，it can be read for pleasure．It is available from the APS，and from philatelic literature dealers

The United States Stamp Society has as its motto，＂Know Your Country＇s Stamps＂，and that could also be the motto of the expertizer who＂does＂US EFOs．Before you can know and understand the varieties，you have to know and understand the normal varieties．For that reason，I have one more recommendation：
Encyclopedia of United States Stamps and Stamp Collecting，edited by Rodney A．Juell $\&$ Steven J．Rod， 2006，published by the United States Stamp Society

Presently sold out，but available from philatelic literature dealers．Another whopper at 730 pages，its $50+$ chapters provide essential information on each category of US stamps and covers along with color illustrations．There is even a chapter on EFO collecting（contributed by this author）；another on plate varieties，and much more useful content．Again，this book is worth reading front to back；not just for use as a reference；though it can be used in that way as well．

If readers are familiar with other philatelic literature that would be useful to expertizers，especially in the realm of US material，I encourage you to provide that information to EFOCC＇s readers via a letter to the editor．

If you have a question，or a possible topic for John to cover in a future issue， please write to him at P．O．Box 1125，Falls Church，VA 22041－0125，or e－ mail him at jmhstamp＠verizon．net．
> $\mathscr{P}$ fease remember to ask（using your most persuasive demeanor）your phifatefic friends whether they would fike to be members of the 太FOTGG．Better yet，give them a one year membershizp as a present to get them started．．．

## Secretary＇s Report

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| :--- | :--- |
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A warm welcome to our new Members！$\%$
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Report for the Quarter April 1 －June 30， 2013

| Beginning balance： |  | $\$ 3572.00$ |  |
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| Income | Dues | $\$ 364.00$ |  |
|  | Auction Surplus | 1200.00 |  |
| Expenses | Printing costs | $(713.60)$ |  |
|  | Postage costs | $(217.62)$ |  |
| Ending balance： |  | $\$ 4204.78$ |  |
| Report for Fiscal Year July 1，2012 | －June 30， | 2013 |  |
| Beginning balance： |  | $\$ 3445.45$ |  |
| Income | Dues | $\$ 1739.15$ |  |
|  | Donations | 83.00 |  |
|  | Samples | 6.00 |  |
|  | Auction Surplus | 1200.00 |  |
|  | Advertising | 1528.00 |  |
|  | CD Interest（2006－12） | 372.40 |  |
|  | Transfers from Life Member | 210.00 |  |
|  | fund |  |  |
| Expenses | Printing costs | $(3348.44 .60)$ |  |
|  | Postage costs | $(780.78)$ |  |
|  | Auction Insurance | $(250.00)$ |  |
| Ending balance： |  | $\$ 4204.78$ |  |

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Respectfully submitted，
David H．Hunt，Treasurer

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| 31 | 1436 | 8¢ Emily Dickinson color shift NH | \$12.00 |
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| 32 | 1942-5 | 20¢ Cactus block, engraved black shifted up 2mm NH | \$60.00 |
| 33 | 1541a | 10¢ Minerals block color shift NH | \$30.00 |
| 34 | C78a | 11¢ Airmail miscut bklt pane with EE bars | \$20.00 |
| 35 | 1580 | 1975 Christmas misperfed pair NH | \$30.00 |
| 36 | 1338 | DONATION 6¢ Flag block with perf shift NH | \$5.00 |
| 37 | 1472 | DONATION 8¢ Santa block with color shift - see bugle. NH | \$6.00 |
| 38 | 1436 | 84 Emily Dickinson block with perf shift NH | \$35.00 |
| 39 | 2221b | 25¢ Honeybee coil pair missing engraved black bee NH | \$75.00 |
| 40 | 1281 | DONATION 3¢ Parkman plate block misperfed with most of plate no. in stamp. NH | \$20.00 |
| 41 | 1281 | DONATION 3¢ Parkman zip block misperfed with most of zip inscription in stamp. NH | \$16.00 |
| 42 | 1067 | 34 Reserves misperf NH | \$12.00 |
| 43 | C23 | 6¢ Airmail pair with shifted vert. perfs. NH | \$10.00 |
| 44 | 2062b | 20¢ Streetcars block with engraved black omitted NH | \$180.00 |
| 45 | 2107 | 20¢ Christmas misperf pair NH | \$20.00 |
| 46 | 1935a | 8¢ Space Achievement pair with color shift NH | \$30.00 |
| 47 | 1734 | 13¢ Indian Head Penny underinked NH | \$10.00 |
| 48 | 1822 | 15¢ Dolly Madison misperf NH | \$35.00 |
| 49 | J100 | \$1 postage due with vignette shift NH | \$15.00 |
| 50 | 1900 | 5.2¢ Sleigh miscut coil pair NH | \$15.00 |
| 51 | 1743 | A' Stamp misperf coil pair NH. Has some adhesive from the tape at beginning of roll on face of the stamps. | \$8.00 |
| 52 | 1818 | B' stamp misperf coil pair NH | \$13.00 |
| 53 | J93 | 5¢ postage due with vignette shift NH | \$10.00 |
| 54 | 1947 | $\mathrm{C}^{\prime}$ stamp misperf coil pair NH | \$15.00 |
| 55 | 2112 | D' stamp misperf coil pair NH | \$7.50 |
| 56 | 1845 | $2 \phi$ Stravinsky strip with normal, extra wide, and misperfed stamps NH | \$14.00 |
| 57 | 2515 | 25¢ Christmas misperf NH | \$15.00 |
| 58 | 554 | 2¢ Washington impressive diagonal misperf NH | \$80.00 |
| 59 | 703 | $2 \phi$ Yorktown vignette shift NH | \$12.00 |
| 60 | 1396 | 84 Zip Code with two color shifts, eagle and logo to the left and gold lettering to right NH | \$11.00 |
| 61 | C39 | 6\$ Airmail change of legend misperf NH | \$10.00 |
| 62 | 1473 | 8¢ Pharmacy misperfed pair NH | \$5.00 |
| 63 | 1384 | $6 \phi$ Christmas with mirror image precancel on back (normal precancel on front, too) NH | \$25.00 |
| 64 | 1557 | 10¢ Mariner 10 with nice color shift NH | \$13.00 |
| 65 | 1356 | $6 ¢$ Marquette misperfed margin pair NH | \$25.00 |
| 66 | 1151 | $4 \phi$ SEATO misperf NH | \$15.00 |
| 67 | 2015 | 20¢ Libraries change of legend misperf NH | \$12.00 |
| 68 | 968 | 3申 Youth Month misperf NH | $\$ 1.00$ |
| 69 | 1735 | A' stamp horizontal perfs misplaced and a bit diagonal NH | \$8.00 |
| 70 | 669 | 1¢ Nebr. overprint pair, top stamp with overprint "stretched". NH | \$20.00 |
| 71 | 899 | 1\% Defense pair with blind perfs between (some perfs are completely missing). Precanceled NH | \$5.00 |
| 72 | 548 | $1 ¢$ Pilgrims reverse offset NH | \$50.00 |
| 73 | 1336 | $5 ¢$ Christmas misperf creates short stamp. Bend near bottom NH | \$10.00 |
| 74 | 920 | $5 ¢$ Overrun Countries Denmark, flags up and down NH | \$10.00 |
| 75 | 1862 | 20¢ Truman pair with horiz. perfs misplaced NH | \$15.00 |
| 76 | 1361 | $15 ¢$ Owls engraved black shifted so denomination is on left NH | \$20.00 |
| 77 | 1236A | 12¢ Henry Ford 2-way misperf NH | \$20.00 |
| 78 | 1862 | 20¢ Truman dry print NH | \$7.00 |
| 79 | 1863 | 22¢ Audubon misperf NH | \$6.00 |
| 80 | 88 | $3 ¢$ Washington $11 \times 13$ grill with horiz perfs shifted up 5mm. Used. | \$25.00 |
| 81 | 65 | $3 \phi$ Washington fully doubled vertical perfs. Used. | \$25.00 |
| 82 | 25 | 3¢ Washington Type I, vertical perfs shifted 3.5 mm left. Used. | \$100.00 |
| 83 | 65 | $3 ¢$ Washington vert perfs doubled, LH but only partially gummed, possible thin? | \$65.00 |
| 84 | 147 | $3 ¢$ green Washington diagonal ppc. Used. | \$45.00 |
| 85 | 282 | $6 ¢$ Garfield ppc. Used. | \$35.00 |
| 86 | 528A CF1 | 2¢ Washington Counterfeit NH | \$50.00 |
| 87 | 1402 | 8¢ Eisenhower miscut coil pair with change of legend NH | \$30.00 |
| 88 | 1735 | A' stamp vertical strip of three, horizontal perfs diagonal and misplaced with gutter at bottom of middle stamp NH | \$125.00 |
| 89 | C56 | $10 ¢$ Pan-American Games, 2-way misperf with part of lower pane showing in bottom margin. NH | \$12.00 |
| 90 | 2054 | 20¢ Met Opera pair with engraved purple shifted down NH | \$25.00 |
| 91 | 804 | $1 \phi$ Washington block of ten including plate block - double paper web splice NH | \$45.00 |
| 92 | 1508 | 8¢ Christmas change of design misperf showing part of pane from above in margin NH | \$25.00 |
| 93 | 1800 | $15 \phi$ Santa vertically misperfed NH | \$12.00 |
| 94 | 1800 | 15¢ Santa horizontally misperfed NH | \$13.00 |
| 95 | 2463 | $20 ¢$ Cog Railway misperfed pair NH | \$15.00 |
| 96 | 2517 | F' stamp appears to be missing all of the red NH | \$30.00 |
| 97 | 1912-19 | $18 \phi$ Space Exploration 2 blocks of four with vertical perfs shifted to right 7 mm . Blocks were never together since one has left margin and the other has right margin NH | \$30.00 |
| 98 | 1447 | $8 \phi$ Peace Corps marginal pair with shift of red and light blue NH | \$30.00 |
| 99 | 724 | $3 ¢$ William Penn UL margin block with paper fold and crazy perfs. NH | \$25.00 |


| 100 | C23 | 6¢ Airmail TOP block of four with plate numbers, red shifted down, DG and toning or gum soaks. |  | \$15.00 |
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| 101 | 741 | $2 \phi$ National Parks LL margin block of six. Diagonal ppc affects top two and right middle stamps NH (looks like an earthquake!) |  | \$40.00 |
| 102 | 1278b | 1ф Jefferson bklt pane miscut showing 100\% of EE bars. NH |  | \$25.00 |
| 103 | 1520 | 10¢ Jefferson Memorial misperfed line strip of three NH |  | \$35.00 |
| 104 | 2521 | $4 ¢$ Make-up stamp block with vert perfs on diagonal NH |  | \$50.00 |
| 105 | 2521b | 4¢ Make-up stamp imperf block (wrinkle in UL stamp) NH | \$130.00 | \$90.00 |
| 106 | 807 | 3¢ Jefferson LR block of six. Horizontal perfs shifted down - below cutting line and showing parts of stamps from |  | \$40.00 |
| 107 | C23 | 6\$ Airmail plate strip of ten, vignette shift down NH |  | \$25.00 |
| 108 | 2870 | 29¢ Recalled Legends of the West with cardboard holder and USPS letter NH (plus a corrected Legends sheet) |  | \$100.00 |
| 109 | 1712-15 | $13 \phi$ Butterflies error in that the bottom row of stamps are oversized at 27 mm high (instead of 25 mm ) due to bottom row of perfs being shifted down. Lot contains one plate number strip of 20 with bottom two stamps oversize; two horizontal strips of 10 with five oversize bottom row stamps each; and one used stamp on piece. Included for comparison is a matched set of four plate strips of 20 with normal sized bottom row stamps. NH |  | \$45.00 |
| 110 | 1563 | 10¢ Lexington-Concord plate strip of 12 with change of design misperf. NH |  | \$150.00 |
| 111 | 1202 | $4 \phi$ Sam Rayburn strip of 5 with both normal and inverted perfs NH |  | \$125.00 |
| 112 | 2077 | 20申 Touro Synagogue Double ZIP strip of 10 with bits of extra stamps NH $18 \phi$ Declaration of Independence SS, perf shift up results in values missing for stamps a \& d. NH |  | \$30.00 |
| 113 | 1687 t |  |  | \$225.00 |





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