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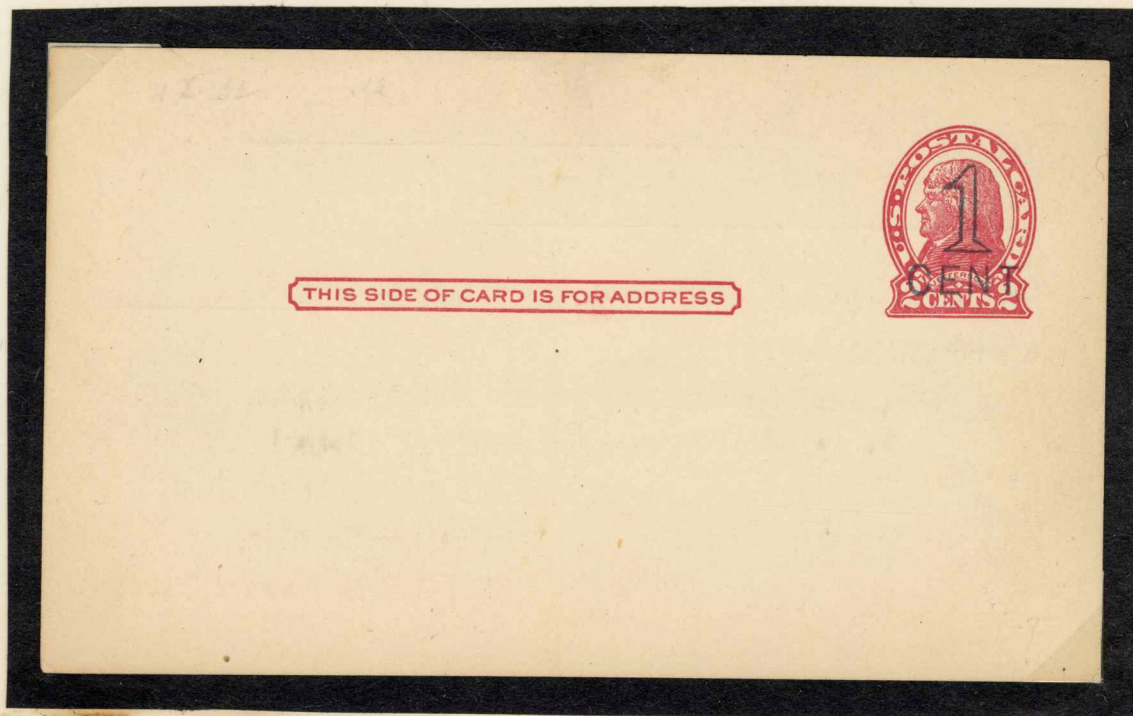


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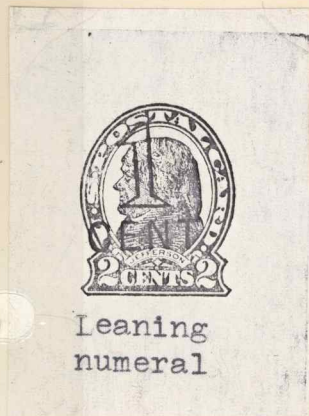


COUNTERFEIT 1920 SURCHARGES

In the late 1960's a new variety of 1920 revalue made a belated appearance. It seemed to be quite genuine, and was tentatively accepted and listed as S44-47, Baltimore II, since all copies carried an advertising form from Baltimore. The 1970 edition of the UPSS catalog showed the card, and included a footnote that stated that research was still going on. Within a very short time information was turned up which proved beyond question that this card was the product of the same Mr. Bangs who had produced the "unofficial York revalue", as well as several other fraudulent varieties of surcharge. Since he had never sold any of them, but had merely distributed them among his friends as a joke, and since the face value of the cards had been decreased rather than increased, no action was ever taken.



Fraudulent Baltimore surcharge, produced as hoax.



Leaning numeral

S44



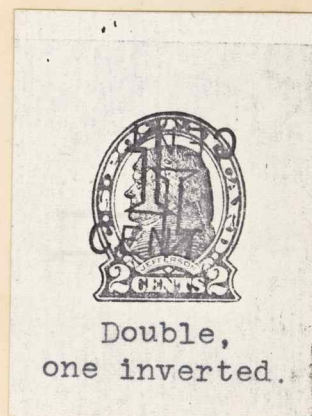
Back of card blank.

S44



Inverted surcharge.

S45



Double, one inverted.

S44

## COUNTERFEIT 1920 SURCHARGES

Revaluing surcharges lend themselves well to counterfeiting, not only for profit, as with the one-line Washington surcharge in 1920 (S43) but also for fun. A certain collector by the name of Bangs produced a number of unofficial 1¢ surcharges in 1920, and distributed them among his friends rather as a joke than as a way of turning a profit. Unfortunately, at least one of them established itself as a legitimate surcharge, and was for a long time accepted as such by otherwise knowledgeable collectors. This was the so-called York surcharge, credited to the York, Pa., Post Office, and listed by UPSS as S44-45. While often questioned, it had its champions until, in 1971, a copy turned up which had not only the normal surcharge but also a second one inverted in the lower left corner. Since it had always been accepted that the surcharge had been applied in two parts, a hand-stamped numeral 1 and a typewritten CENT, it was immediately obvious that what could easily have been a machine error could only have been deliberately produced by hand. The card has always been rare, and is still a desirable item, but it no longer enjoys any official status.



York unofficial revalue (formerly S44-45). Double strike of the numeral 1.

York  
D1

Penn



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J N E O



Unauthorized but  
Permitted to do  
Postal Duty

York, (Pa.)

UPSS NO. S44-45

Scott No. UX32

On die I - All  
Var. copies without  
except 100-which  
were sold. All  
have printing  
on message  
side.

G. C. Slawson  
Postal Card  
Collection



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Permitted to do  
Postal Duty

York (Pa.)

UPSS NO. S44-45

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Used -  
Var. On die I -

Only 100  
copies ever  
released.

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Postal Card  
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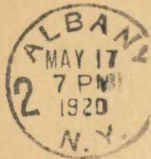


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DIE I  
40¢



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

G. J. Malone S. C. S.  
B & O. RR  
Baltimore, Md.

RECEIVED  
MAY 18 1920  
SUIP

BACK SAYS  
"INDIANA"  
TRIPLE  
DOUBLE PRINT  
SEE P. C.  
BULLETIN OF  
1921



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS ONLY

BACK SAYS  
"USED IN U.S.  
NAVY." BUT  
BEARS DOBNAS  
club banquet  
reservation.



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

a Red Overprint  
was assayed  
in 1917  
but rejected  
as too  
easy to  
counterfeit.  
See alternate  
collector  
date?

Mr. Randolph Heise  
108 E. North Avenue  
City

ALBANY  
MAY 17  
7 PM  
1920  
N. Y.



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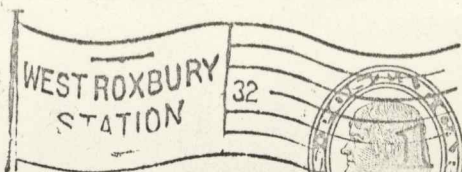
← same type  
writer as York

orig.?

R. V. Payne

G. J. Matone, C.S.  
B & O. R.R.  
Baltimore, Md.

BOSTON, MASS.  
SEP 1  
11-AM  
921



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Fairbanks Alaska

R. V. Payne

Los Angeles, Calif.  
Mr. J. H. Fountain  
2613 W. 8<sup>th</sup> St.

BACK SAYS  
FAIRBANKS  
ALASKA  
AUG 30, 1921  
BARRETT

INKED BY  
HAND OR  
ELSE TRACED

THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



Pay his copy  
has exactly  
the same post  
mark  
was mailed by Ed  
Floyd in Boston  
Sept. 1, 1921 to  
J. H. Fountain  
in LA

2 x 32 inverted surcharge

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S44-  
BOGUS  
BALTIMORE II  
INV. ON STAMP  
Listed as 44-47d  
in UPSS -  
EX  
FRANK

FAKE BALTIMORE  
(S44-47d)  
DE-LISTED  
TT 62.50

S-44-47d BALTIMORE

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S45  
BOGUS  
"BALTIMORE II"

Listed as  
S45-47b  
in UPSS

CHURCH EDITOR,  
THE BALTIMORE NEWS,  
BALTIMORE, MD.

BALTIMORE  
DOUBLE  
45.00

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OLD  
S51-  
BOGUS  
"Baltimore II"

Red Mountain Copper Co.  
1528 Munsey Bldg.,  
Baltimore, Md.

BALTIMORE S-51-

SY  
1/18  
1/18

UX 32  
at 40-

1852



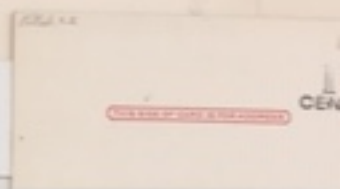
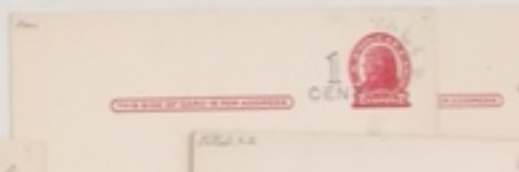
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1/18

Print of 1852  
cut from sheet  
or addressed





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Dr. I. ...  
...

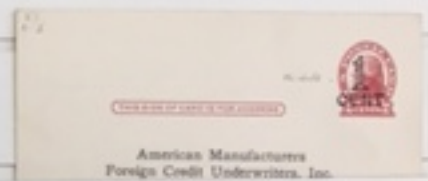
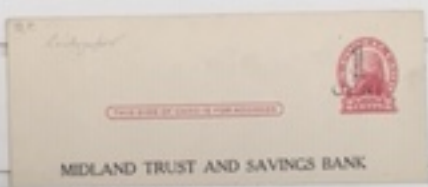


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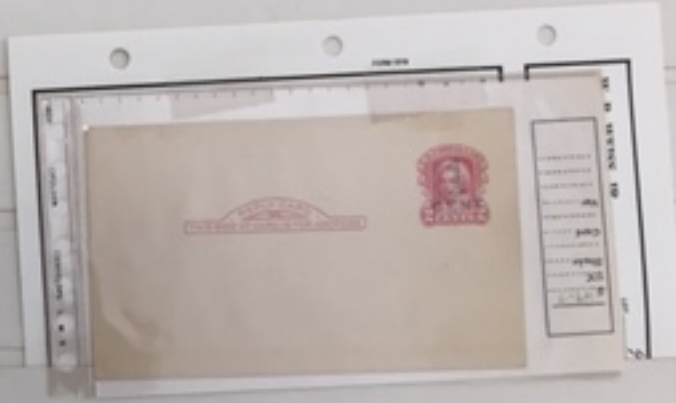
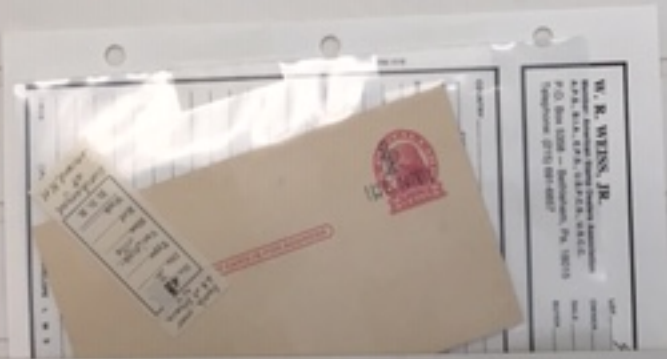
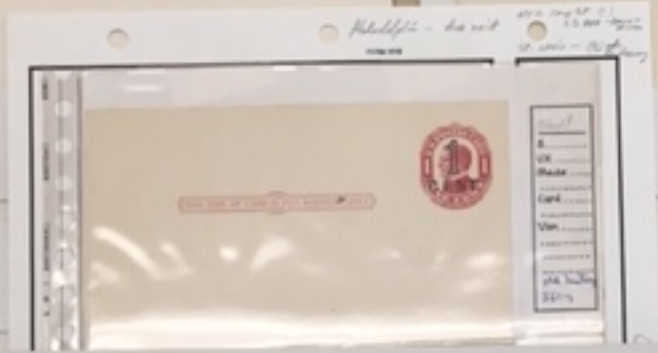
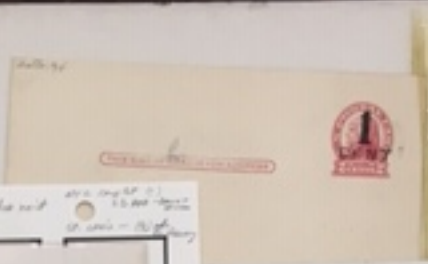
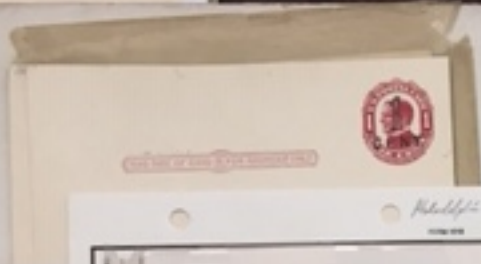
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1882  
C. C. C. E.



First Smith. I-II.  
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*Post Office - 1915*

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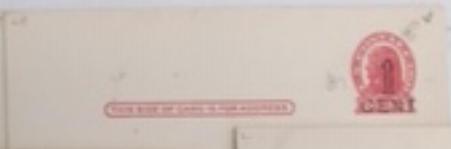
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BORN COMPANY



Small handwritten note on a piece of paper, possibly containing the name 'John B. Harrington'.





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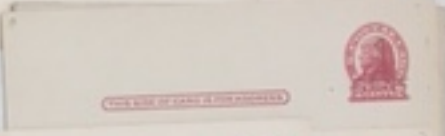


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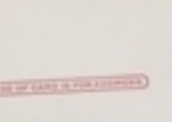
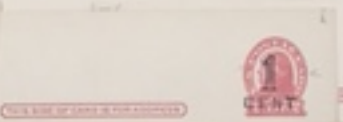
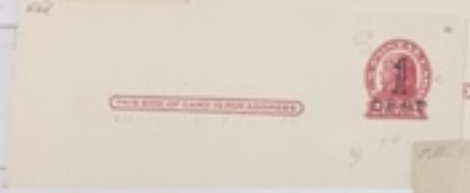


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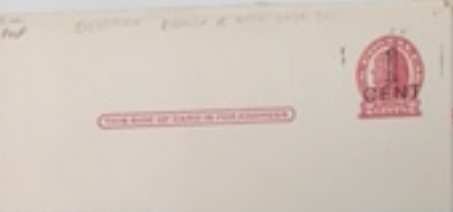
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Shaw St*



Section 1  
CONGRESS  
4.8 BILL

U.S.A.





*Handwritten note:*  
11-21  
width top of 9  
width base of 13





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Face), Salt Lake City Surcharge,  
Nov. 1906

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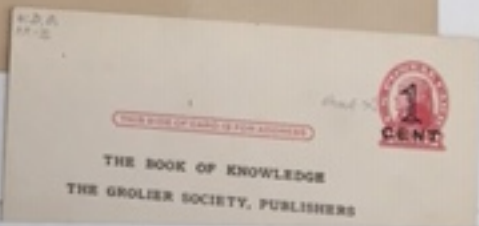
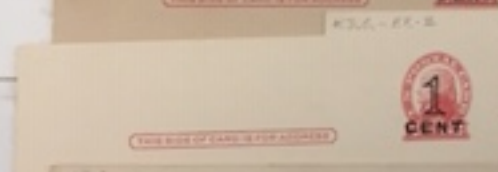
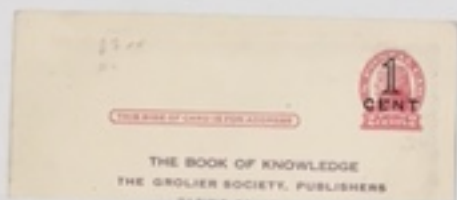


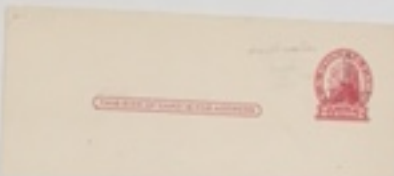
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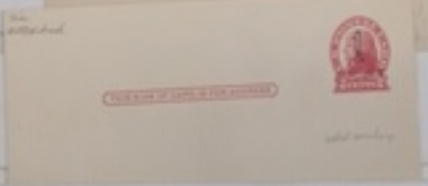






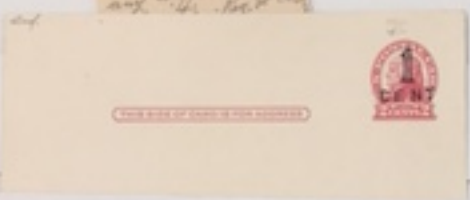
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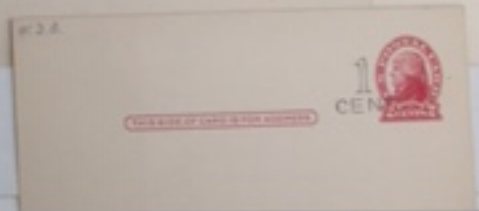
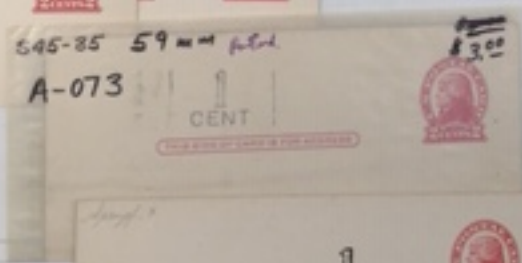
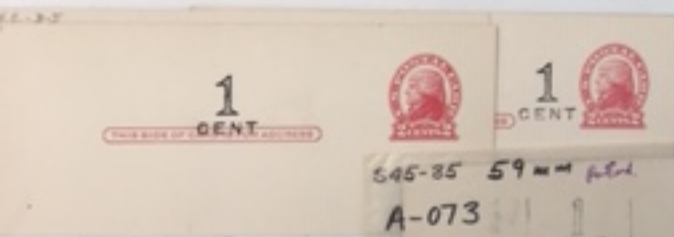
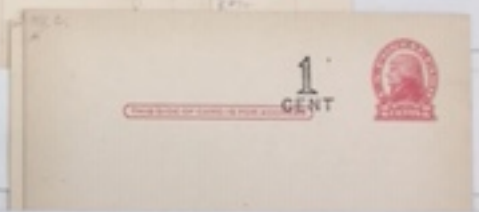
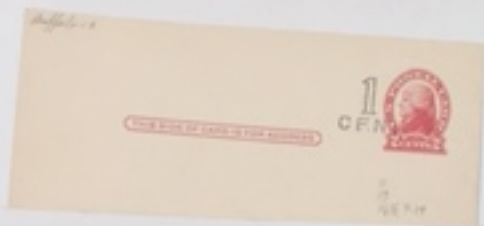
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