

★ UNITED STATES ★
★ POSTAGE ★

ISSUES OF 1847



Benjamin Franklin



George Washington

The adoption of adhesive postage stamps in 1847 represented one of the most important single improvements in the history of the Postal System in America. The law authorizing the issuance of adhesive postage stamps was enacted on March 3, 1847 and the two stamps above were first placed on sale July 1, 1847.

ISSUES OF 1851 TO 1860



Benjamin Franklin



Benjamin Franklin 1
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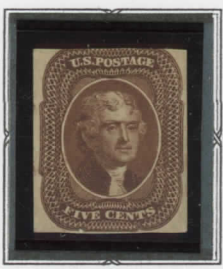
George Washington
TYPE I



George Washington
TYPE 2



George Washington
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Thomas Jefferson 12



George Washington



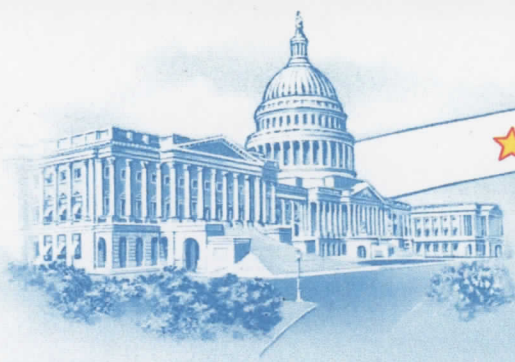
George Washington

While the first issue of stamps in 1847 served its purpose well, it soon became apparent that to efficiently operate under this new system a larger variety of denominations would be necessary to cover the various postage charges. The stamps above were issued between 1851 and 1860 as the demand for new values warranted their production.

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Walters



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SERIES OF 1857-60

PERF 15



Benjamin Franklin



George Washington



TYPE 2



Thomas Jefferson



George Washington



George Washington



George Washington



Benjamin Franklin

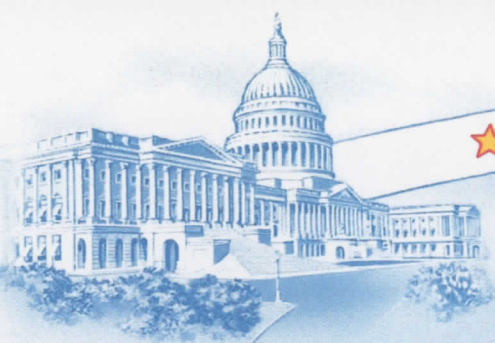


George Washington

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Winters



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★ POSTAGE ★

ISSUES OF 1861 TO 1868



Benjamin Franklin



Andrew Jackson

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George Washington



Thomas Jefferson



Thomas Jefferson



George Washington



George Washington



Abraham Lincoln



George Washington



Benjamin Franklin



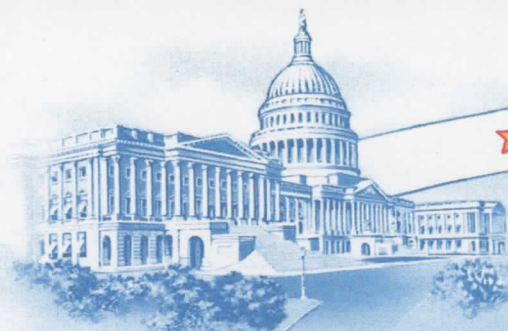
George Washington

The issues of 1847 and those of 1851 to 1860 were demonetized at the outbreak of the Civil War to prevent their use by the South during and after the War. Consequently, it was necessary to produce a completely re-designed set for use by the North during hostilities and that set is shown here.

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W. H. R.



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PICTORIAL ISSUES OF 1869



Benjamin Franklin



Pony Express Rider



Locomotive



George Washington



Eagle and Shield



S. S. Adriatic



Landing of Columbus



Declaration of Independence

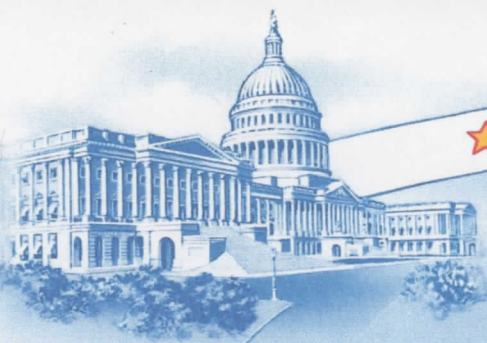


Eagle, Shield and Flags



Abraham Lincoln

The 1869 Pictorial Stamps were designed and engraved by the National Bank Note Co. of New York. Students of philately still argue the question of whether these stamps are considered commemorative or regular postage, the subject matter lending itself either way.

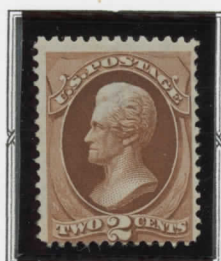


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ISSUES OF 1870



Benjamin Franklin



Andrew Jackson



George Washington



Abraham Lincoln



Thomas Jefferson



Henry Clay

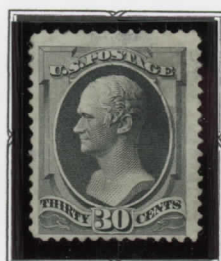


Daniel Webster



Gen. Winfield Scott

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Alexander Hamilton

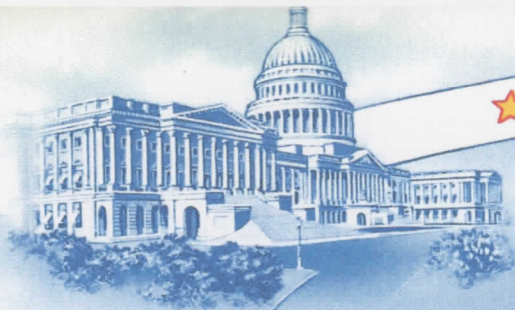


Commodore O. H. Perry

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★ POSTAGE ★

ISSUES OF 1870 TO 1888
ADDITIONS AND CHANGES TO PREVIOUS ISSUE



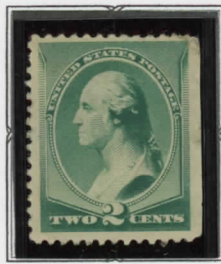
Benjamin Franklin



Andrew Jackson



George Washington



George Washington



George Washington



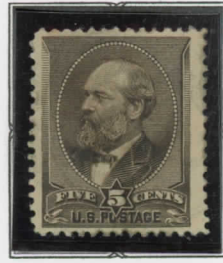
Andrew Jackson



Andrew Jackson



Zachary Taylor



James A. Garfield



James A. Garfield



Edwin M. Stanton



Alexander Hamilton

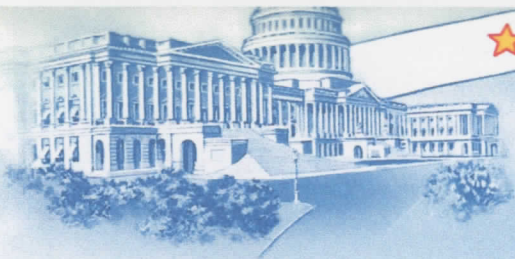


Commodore O. H. Perry

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ISSUES OF 1890 TO 1893

WITHOUT TRIANGLES IN UPPER CORNERS



Benjamin Franklin



George Washington



Andrew Jackson



Abraham Lincoln



Ulysses S. Grant



James A. Garfield



William T. Sherman



Daniel Webster



Henry Clay



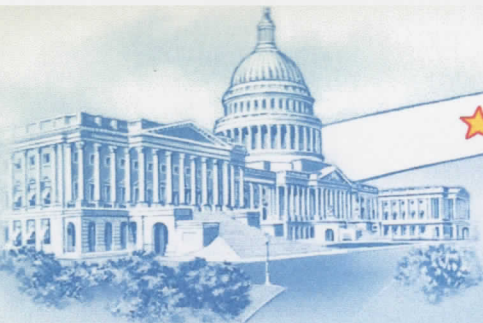
Thomas Jefferson



Commodore O. H. Perry

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ISSUES OF 1894 TO 1899

TRIANGLES IN UPPER CORNERS



Benjamin Franklin



Benjamin Franklin



George Washington



Andrew Jackson 2c



Abraham Lincoln



Abraham Lincoln



Ulysses S. Grant



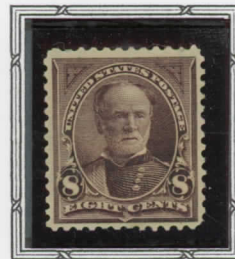
Ulysses S. Grant



James A. Garfield



James A. Garfield

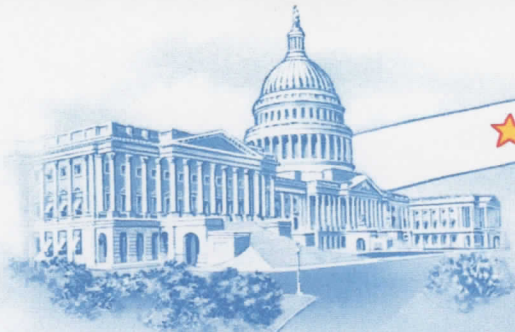


William T. Sherman

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S 220





★ UNITED STATES ★ POSTAGE ★

ISSUES OF 1894 TO 1899
TRIANGLES IN UPPER CORNERS



Daniel Webster



Daniel Webster



Henry Clay



Henry Clay



Thomas Jefferson



Commodore O. H. Perry



James Madison



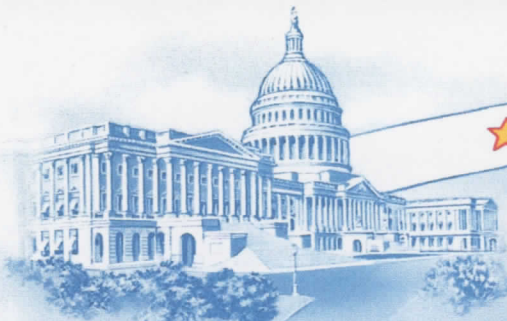
John Marshall

The introduction of these stamps followed the transfer of the manufacture of stamps from private contractors to the Treasury Department in July 1894. The Department was not prepared on this short notice to design and produce a newly designed set of stamps, so it was decided to add triangles in the upper corners of the issue of 1890.

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ISSUES OF 1902 TO 1903



Benjamin Franklin



George Washington



George Washington



Andrew Jackson



U. S. Grant



Abram Lincoln



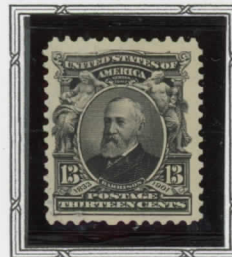
James A. Garfield 305



Martha Washington



Daniel Webster



Benjamin Harrison



Henry Clay



Thomas Jefferson 310



David G. Farragut 311



James Madison 4



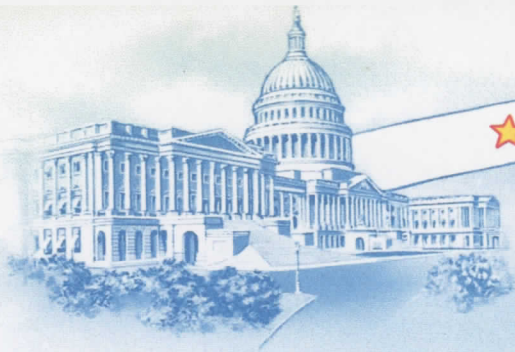
John Marshall

This series of postage stamps, known as the 1902 series, was issued to replace the series of 1894. To add historical and educational interest to the series, the name of the person whose portrait is presented appears on each stamp, and the years of birth and death.

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Wells



★ UNITED STATES ★
★ POSTAGE ★

ISSUES OF 1908 TO 1921



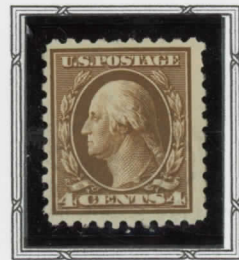
Benjamin Franklin



George Washington

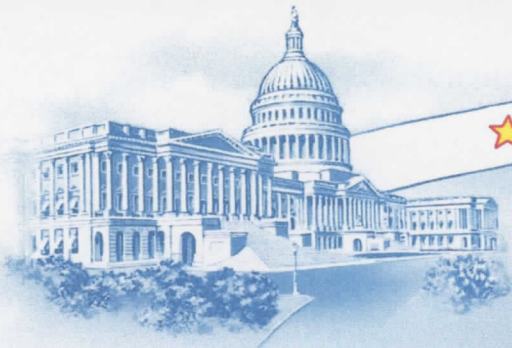


George Washington



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★ UNITED STATES ★
★ POSTAGE ★

ISSUES OF 1912 TO 1919



Benjamin Franklin



ISSUES OF 1918 TO 1920

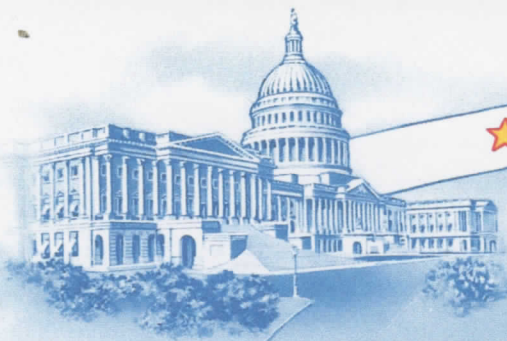


Benjamin Franklin

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★ UNITED STATES ★
★ POSTAGE ★

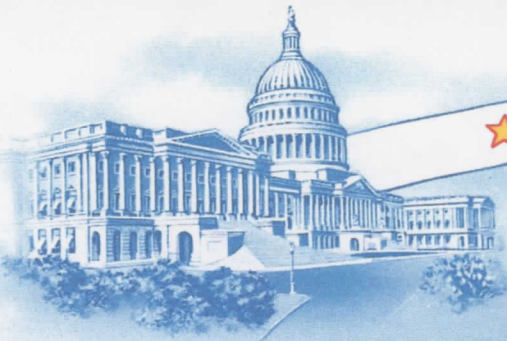


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MADE IN U.S.A.

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★ UNITED STATES ★
★ POSTAGE ★

ISSUES OF 1922 TO 1932



Nathan Hale



Benjamin Franklin



Warren G. Harding



Warren G. Harding



George Washington



Abraham Lincoln



George Washington



Martha Washington



William H. Taft



Theodore Roosevelt



James A. Garfield



William McKinley



U. S. Grant



Thomas Jefferson



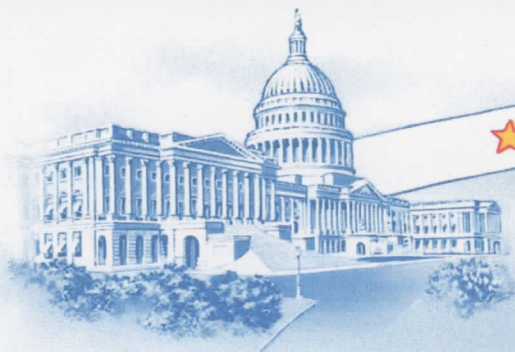
James Monroe

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★ UNITED STATES ★
★ POSTAGE ★

ISSUES OF 1922 TO 1932



Rutherford B. Hayes



Grover Cleveland



Benjamin Harrison



American Indian



Woodrow Wilson



Statue of Liberty



Golden Gate



Niagara Falls



Buffalo



Arlington Amphitheatre



Lincoln Memorial



U. S. Capitol



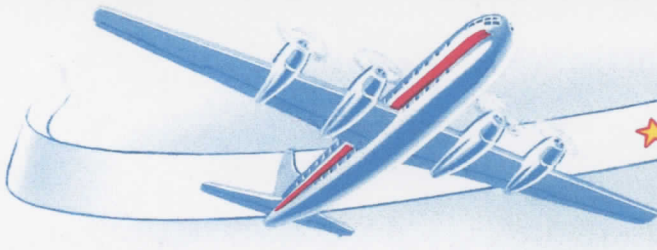
America

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★ UNITED STATES ★
★ AIRMAILS ★



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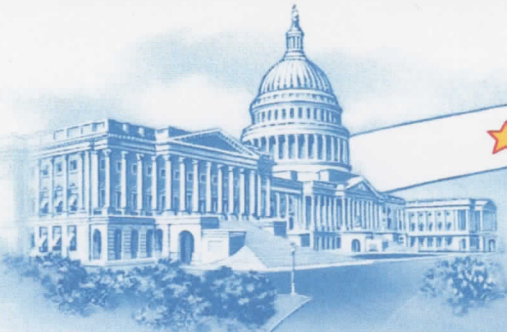


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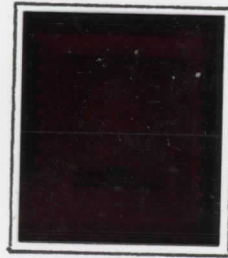
STATES



POSTAGE



599



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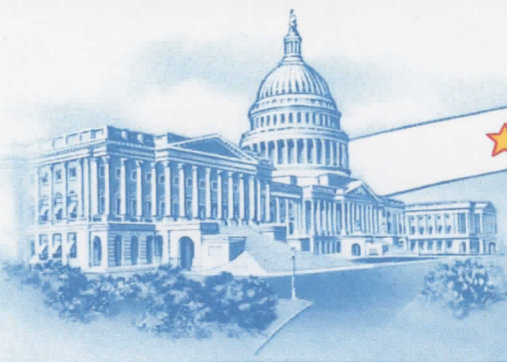
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★ UNITED STATES ★
★ POSTAGE ★

PERF 10



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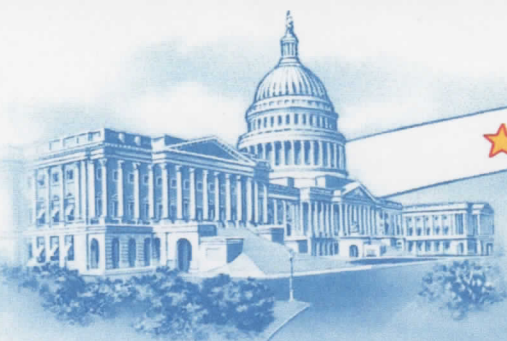


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MADE IN U.S.A.

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Whitely



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★ POSTAGE ★

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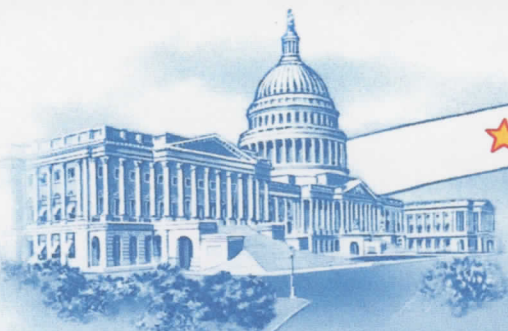


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MADE IN U.S.A.

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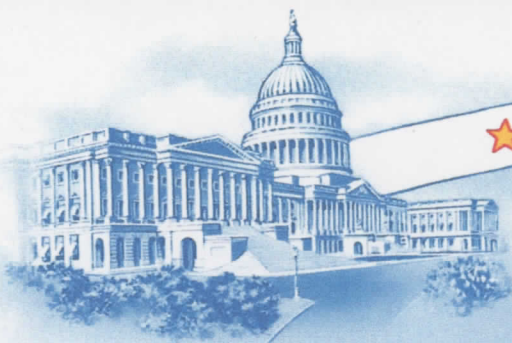
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KANSAS OVERPRINT ISSUE
1929



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NEBRASKA OVERPRINT ISSUE

1929

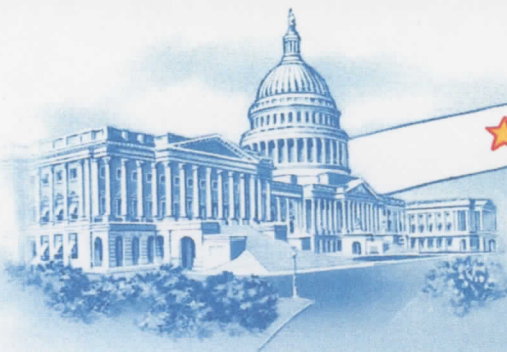


The Kansas and Nebraska issues of overprinted stamps were authorized as a measure of preventing losses from post office burglaries. Approximately a year's supply of the stamps were printed and issued to postmasters in the respective States. Post Office Department found it desirable to discontinue the State overprinted stamps after the initial supply was used.

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★ UNITED STATES POSTAGE ★

PRESIDENTIAL SERIES OF 1938



Benjamin Franklin



George Washington



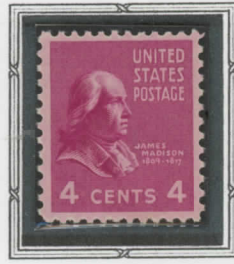
Martha Washington



John Adams



Thomas Jefferson



James Madison



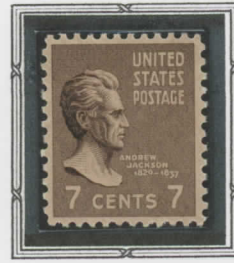
White House



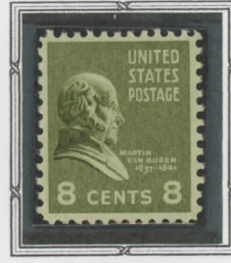
James Monroe



John Quincy Adams



Andrew Jackson



Martin Van Buren



William H. Harrison



John Tyler



James K. Polk



Zachary Taylor

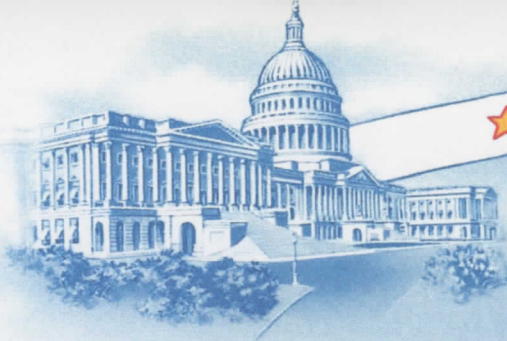


Millard Fillmore

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PRESIDENTIAL SERIES OF 1938



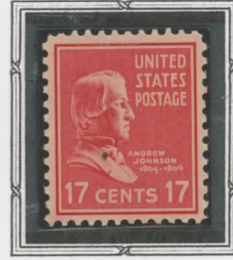
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James Buchanan



Abraham Lincoln



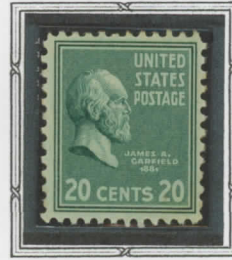
Andrew Johnson



Ulysses S. Grant



Rutherford B. Hayes



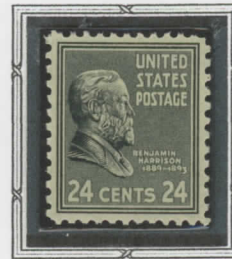
James A. Garfield



Chester A. Arthur



Grover Cleveland



Benjamin Harrison



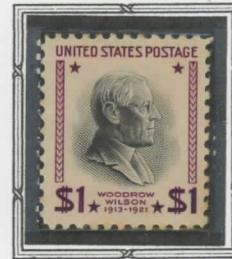
William McKinley



Theodore Roosevelt



William H. Taft



Woodrow Wilson



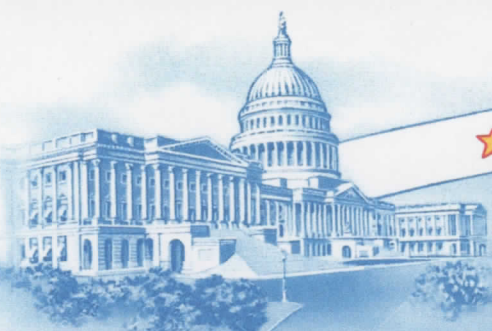
Warren G. Harding



Calvin Coolidge

This series of ordinary postage stamps replaced the issue of 1922. Incorporated in the designs are likenesses of all Presidents from Washington to Coolidge arranged in accordance with their tenure of office. In addition, are shown Benjamin Franklin on the half-cent, Martha Washington on the one and one-half cent, and a view of the White House on the four and one-half cent.



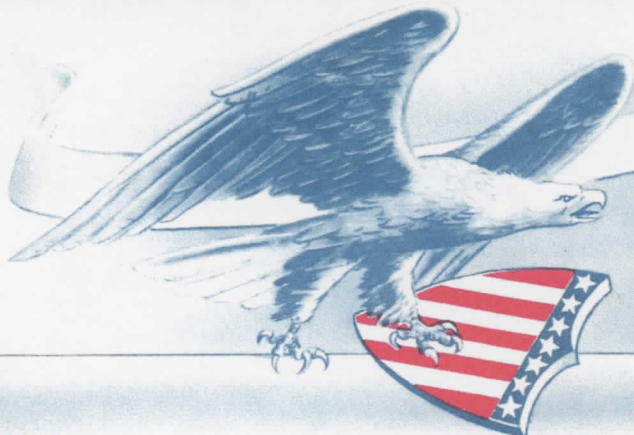


★ UNITED STATES POSTAGE ★

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★ UNITED STATES COMMEMORATIVES

COLUMBIAN ISSUES

1893



Columbus in sight of land



Landing of Columbus



Flagship of Columbus



Fleet of Columbus



Columbus soliciting aid from Isabella



Columbus welcomed at Barcelona



Columbus restored to favor

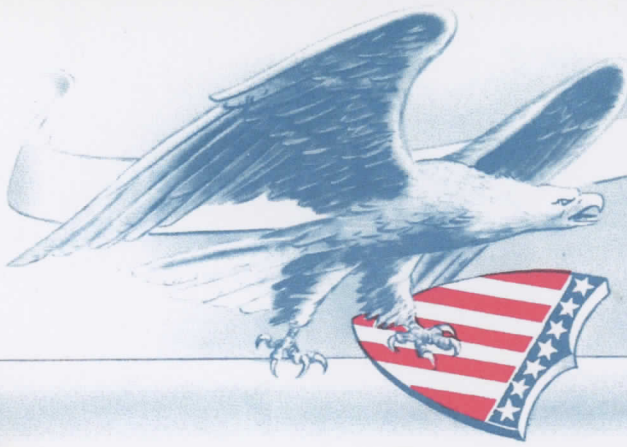


Columbus presenting natives

MADE IN U.S.A.

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Walters



★ UNITED STATES COMMEMORATIVES

COLUMBIAN SERIES

1893



Columbus announcing his discovery



Columbus at La Rabida



Recall of Columbus



Isabella pledging her jewels



Columbus in chains



Columbus describing third voyage



Isabella - Columbus



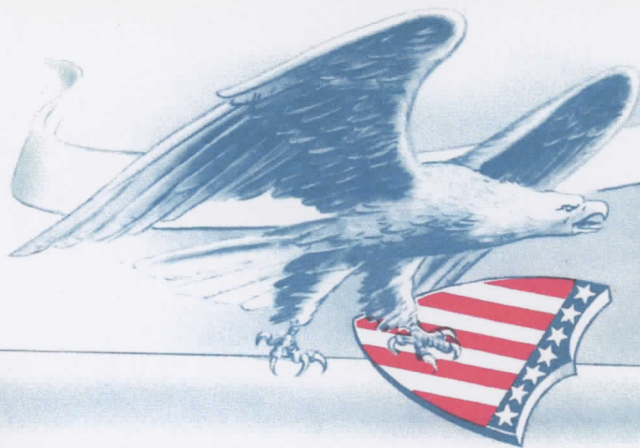
Columbus

The Columbian Series was issued in 1893 to commemorate the 400th anniversary of the discovery of America by Christopher Columbus. The set consists of sixteen stamps, each bearing a design depicting various important scenes in this epochal event. This issue was placed on sale in January, 1893, except the 8c value, which appeared in March of 1893. Scenes making up this group were taken from prominent works of art in existence throughout the world.

MADE IN U.S.A.

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Wells Fargo



★ UNITED STATES COMMEMORATIVES

TRANS-MISSISSIPPI EXPOSITION SERIES

1898



Marquette on the Mississippi



Farming in the West



Indian Hunting Buffalo



Fremont on Rocky Mountains



Troops Guarding Train



Hardships of Emigration



Western Mining Prospector



Western Cattle in Storm



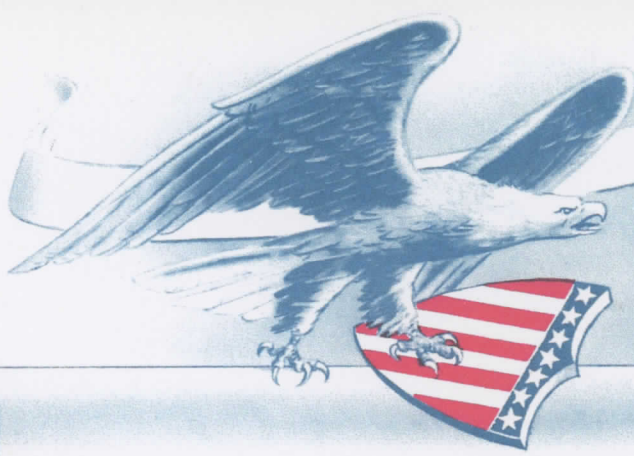
Mississippi River Bridge

This set of nine stamps was issued to commemorate the opening of the Trans-Mississippi and International Exposition at Omaha, Nebraska. The various scenes portrayed on the stamps were taken from art reproductions depicting the progress of the "Golden West." The Series was placed on sale June 10, 1898, and discontinued on December 31st of the same year.

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★ UNITED STATES COMMEMORATIVES

PAN AMERICAN EXPOSITION SERIES

1901



Fast Lake Navigation



Fast Express



Automobile



Bridge at Niagara Falls



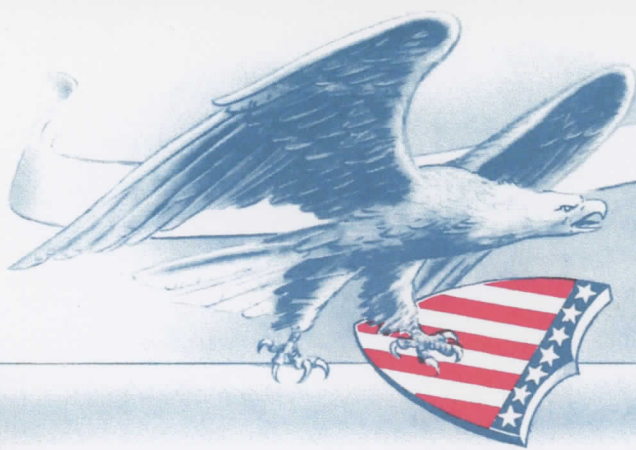
Canal Locks at Sault Ste. Marie



Fast Ocean Navigation

Coinciding with the opening and closing of the Pan American Exposition at Buffalo, N. Y., this set was placed on sale May 1, 1901, at Post Offices throughout the country and withdrawn from sale October 31, 1901. The stamps were issued to commemorate and publicize the exposition which had for its theme, "To illustrate the progress of the New World during the 19th Century."

Pictures on the stamps are reproductions from current means of transportation.



★ UNITED STATES COMMEMORATIVES

LOUISIANA PURCHASE EXPOSITION SERIES

1904



Robert R. Livingston



Thomas Jefferson



James Monroe



William McKinley



Map of Louisiana Purchase

Issued to commemorate and publicize the World's Fair, St. Louis, 1904 the purpose of which was to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the purchase of the Louisiana Territory from France. The stamps, in a set of five, were placed on sale May 1, 1904, to December 1, 1904, and honored those connected with its purchase, as well as a map of the territory.

JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION SERIES

1907



Captain John Smith

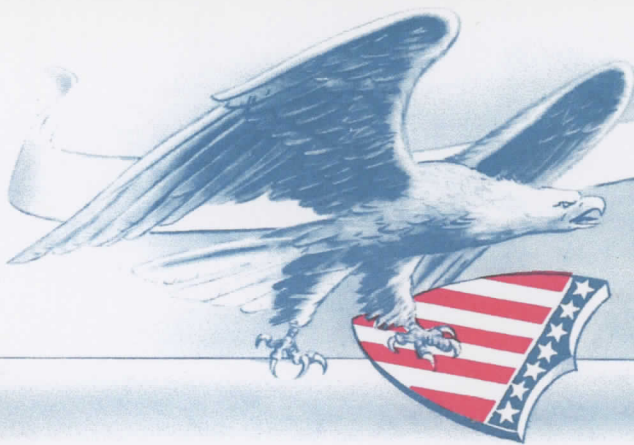


Founding of Jamestown



Pocahontas

The Jamestown Exposition stamps were issued to commemorate the tercentennial of the Founding of Jamestown and consisted of three stamps. The Exposition was held at Hampton Roads, Va., in 1907, and the stamps were placed on sale April 25th of the same year. Portraits of the principals involved in the career of the Jamestown plantation appear on the stamp.



★ UNITED STATES COMMEMORATIVES

LINCOLN MEMORIAL ISSUE
1909



Lincoln

Authorized by a joint resolution of Congress, the Postmaster General issued a 2¢ stamp commemorating the 100th anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln. Date of first sale was February 12, 1909. A bust from St. Gauden's statue of Lincoln appears on the stamp.

ALASKA-YUKON-PACIFIC EXPOSITION ISSUE



William H. Seward

To commemorate the development of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Territory, a 2¢ stamp was placed on sale at Seattle, Washington, June 1, 1909. A portrait of William H. Seward, Secretary of State, who negotiated the purchase of Alaska from Russia in 1867, appears on this stamp.

HUDSON FULTON CELEBRATION ISSUE



The Clermont and Half Moon

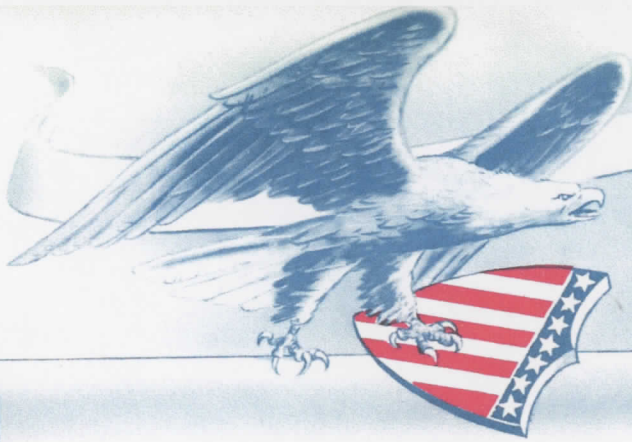
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Celebrating the tercentenary of the discovery of the Hudson River and the centennial of its first navigation by steam, this stamp was first placed on sale September 25, 1909. The central design shows the progress from canoe to steam on the Hudson River.

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W. H. Seward



★ UNITED STATES COMMEMORATIVES

PANAMA-PACIFIC EXPOSITION SERIES

1912-13



Balboa

PERFORATED 12



Panama Canal



Golden Gate



Discovery of San Francisco Bay



1915



PERFORATED 10



402



These were first placed on sale perforated 12 at San Francisco, California, in 1912-1913, commemorating the opening of the Panama Canal and the discovery of the Pacific by Balboa in 1513. They were also intended to advertise the Panama Pacific Exposition. Due to the adoption of the 10 gauge late in 1914, the stamps were reissued in 1915 perforated 10.



MADE IN U.S.A.

8-200

Whitely



VICTORY ISSUE

1919



Victory and Flags

The successful termination of World War I brought forth a special 3¢ Victory Stamp with its first day sale at Washington, D. C., in March, 1919. A composite, featuring Liberty in front of massed flags, is the central design of the stamp.

PILGRIM TERCENTENARY SERIES

1920



The Mayflower



Landing of the Pilgrims



Signing of the Compact

Authorized by Congress, the Postmaster General first placed on sale in December, 1920, a set of three stamps commemorating the 300th anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims at Provincetown and Plymouth, Mass.

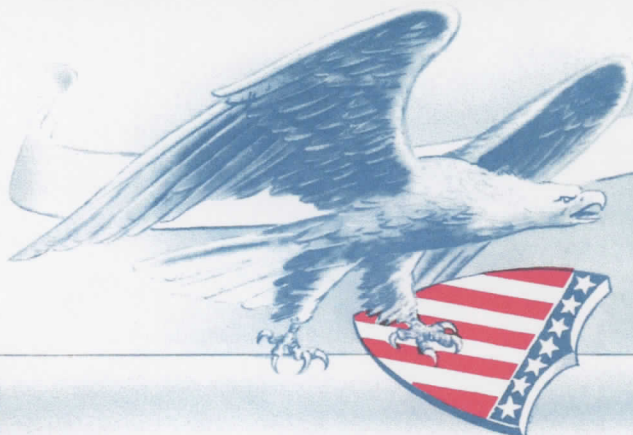
HARDING MEMORIAL ISSUE

1923



Harding

These 2¢ stamps, printed in black, were issued as a fitting tribute to the memory of President Warren G. Harding, whose death occurred while serving in office. This stamp was issued by flat perforation 11, rotary press perforation 10, and imperforate.



★ UNITED STATES
COMMEMORATIVES

HUGUENOT—WALLOON TERCENTENARY SERIES

1924



The New Netherlands



Landing at Fort Orange



Monument at Mayport, Fla.

This series of postage stamps was issued to commemorate the three hundredth anniversary of the settling of the Walloons in New Netherlands in 1624. This is now the State of New York.

LEXINGTON—CONCORD SERIES

1925



Washington at Cambridge



Birth of Liberty



The Minute Man

These stamps commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Lexington and Concord—the birthplace of Liberty and the Minute Man, and where also, the famous eulogy, "By the rude bridge that arched the flood their flag to April's breeze unfurled. Here once the embattled farmers stood and fired the shot heard round the world", stands inscribed.

NORSE—AMERICAN CENTENNIAL SERIES

1925



Sloop Restaurationen

Two stamps of 2¢ and 5¢ denomination were issued to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the arrival in New York, on October 9, 1825, of the sloop Restaurationen with the first group of immigrants to the United States from Norway.

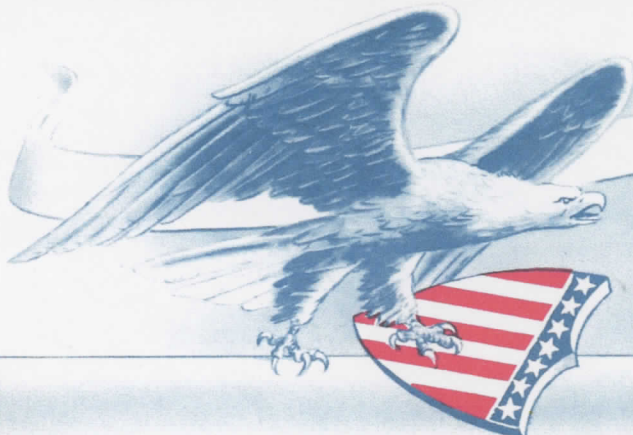


A Viking Ship

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8-200

Walters



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ERICSSON
1926



Statue of John Ericsson

Memorializing John Ericsson, builder of the "Monitor," this stamp was issued in 1926 when a statue of him was unveiled in Washington, D. C., by the Crown Prince of Sweden.

LIBERTY BELL
1926



Liberty Bell

This 2c stamp featuring the Liberty Bell was issued for the 150th anniversary of American Independence, which was celebrated at the Sesquicentennial Exposition held in Philadelphia in 1926.

BURGOYNE
1927



Surrender of Burgoyne

The Surrender of Burgoyne at Saratoga marked the end of a campaign in which the Battles of Fort Stanwix, Oriskany, Bennington and Saratoga played an important part in the winning of the American Revolution.

LINDBERGH
1927



Spirit of Saint Louis

This stamp, placed on sale June 18, 1927, marks Charles A. Lindbergh's non-stop solo flight from New York to Paris in his "Spirit of St. Louis" in May of 1927, the first successful such flight.

VERMONT
1927



Green Mountain Boy

A Green Mountain Boy, one of the colonist heroes of the Battle of Bennington, is shown on this stamp, which was issued to mark the 150th anniversary of the Battle and of Vermont's independence.

WHITE PLAINS
1926



Battle of White Plains

A painting by E. F. Ward adorns the stamp issued to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Battle of White Plains. It was here at White Plains where the "Liberty or Death" flag first made its appearance.

VALLEY FORGE
1928

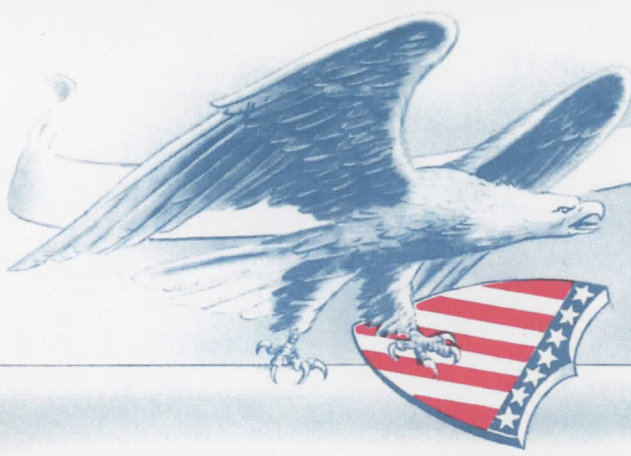


Washington at Prayer

A critical period in American Revolutionary history was the encampment of George Washington's Army at Valley Forge. This stamp, picturing Washington at Prayer, was issued on the 150th anniversary.

White Plains

629
+ 2



UNITED STATES COMMEMORATIVES

BATTLE OF WHITE PLAINS

1926

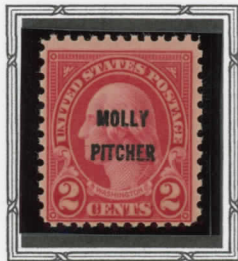


To commemorate the International Philatelic Exhibition in New York City (October 16-23, 1926), the Post Office Department issued the 2c White Plains stamp in souvenir sheet form. Each sheet included 25 stamps with an appropriate inscription in the top margin. This souvenir sheet was issued on October 18, 1926, the same day as the regular sheet variety.



MOLLY PITCHER ISSUE

1928



Molly Pitcher

Issued to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Monmouth and as a memorial to Molly Pitcher, popular heroine of the engagement.

HAWAIIAN SESQUICENTENNIAL SERIES

1928



Hawaii



Hawaii

These specially overprinted commemorative stamps were issued in conjunction with the sesquicentennial celebration held August 15-20, 1928, in Hawaii.

INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AERONAUTICS CONFERENCE SERIES

1928



Wright Airplane

The International Civil Aeronautics Conference was held in Washington, D. C., December 12-14, 1928, to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the Wright Brothers Flight at Kitty Hawk, N. C.



Globe and Plane

GEORGE ROGERS CLARK ISSUE

1929



Surrender of Fort Sackville

A painting by Frederick C. Yohn showing the surrender of Fort Sackville near Vincennes, Ind., adorns the bicolor stamp honoring George Rogers Clark issued in 1929.

This exploit by Colonel George Rogers Clark at Fort Sackville, over the British was responsible for bringing the Northwest Territory into the Union.



EDISON LIGHT'S GOLDEN JUBILEE ISSUE

1929



Edison's First Lamp

Because Thomas Alva Edison was still alive, an electric light bulb formed the main theme of the stamp issued to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the invention of the incandescent lamp by him.

OHIO RIVER CANALIZATION

1929

SULLIVAN EXPEDITION

1929



Maj. Gen. Sullivan

This special stamp commemorates the 150th anniversary of the Sullivan Expedition in New York State during the American Revolution.

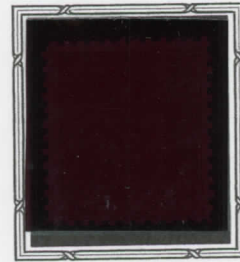


Lock on Ohio River

The completion of the Ohio River Canalization project between Cairo, Ill., and Pittsburgh, Pa., is the subject for this 2¢ stamp issued on Oct. 19, 1929.

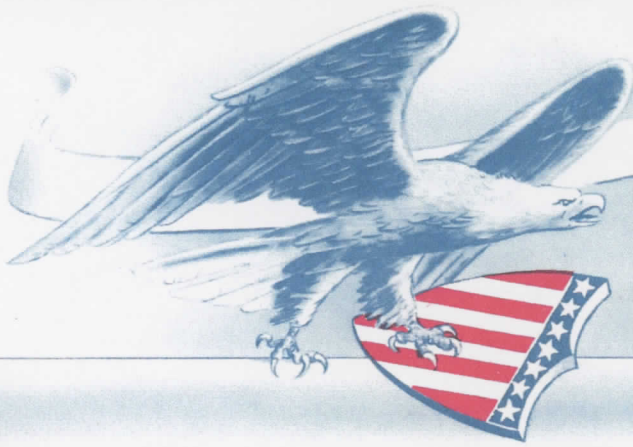
FALLEN TIMBERS

1929



Gen. Wayne Monument

General Anthony Wayne is memorialized in this issue paying tribute to the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Fallen Timbers culminating a campaign against the Indians in the Northwest Territory.



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MASSACHUSETTS BAY

1930



Colony Seal

Commemorating the 300th anniversary of the founding of the Massachusetts Bay Colony, this 2¢ stamp carrying the seal of the colony was placed on sale April 8, 1930.

CHARLESTON

1930



Colonial Governor and Indian

Issued to commemorate the 260th anniversary of the founding of the Province of Carolina, as well as the 250th anniversary of Charleston, S. C.

BATTLE OF BRADDOCK

1930



Statue of Col. Washington

The Battle of Braddock stamp honors the 175th anniversary of this historical struggle in American History. First placed on sale July 9, 1930.

BATTLE OF YORKTOWN

1931



Rochambeau, Washington, De Grasse

This stamp, printed in red and black, commemorates the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown, marking the successful conclusion of the American Revolution.

Appearing with General George Washington on the stamp are Count de Rochambeau and Admiral de Grasse who materially aided to defeat the British at Yorktown.

GENERAL VON STEUBEN

1930



General Von Steuben

Issued to honor his exceptional services in drilling and organizing the army in the Colonial cause during the Revolutionary War and for the 200th anniversary of his birth.

GENERAL PULASKI

1931



General Pulaski

General Casimir Pulaski, Polish patriot and hero of the American Revolution, received recognition by the issuance of this stamp on the 150th anniversary of his death.

RED CROSS

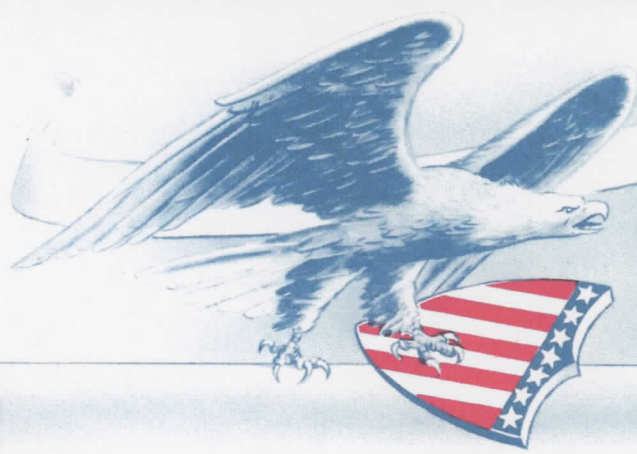
1931



The Greatest Mother

Modeled after a poster of the Red Cross organization and bearing the legend, "The Greatest Mother", this stamp honors the 50th anniversary of the founding of the American Red Cross.

W. B. Ewing



★ UNITED STATES COMMEMORATIVES

WASHINGTON BICENTENNIAL

1932



Miniature by Peale



Bust by Houdon



Painting by Peale



Painting by Stuart



Portrait by Peale



Painting by Polk



Painting by Peale



Painting by Trumbull



Portrait by Trumbull



Drawing by St. Memin

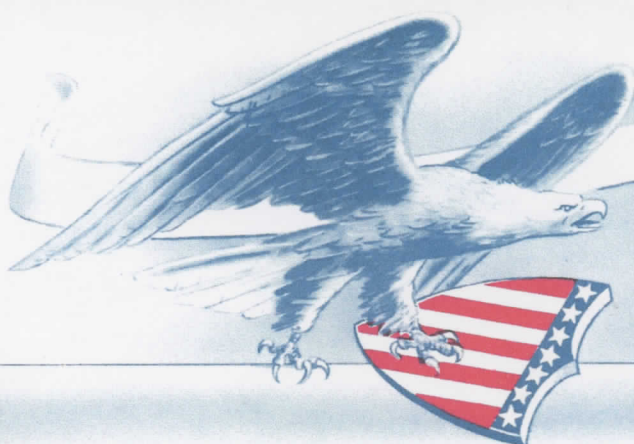


Pastel by Williams



Painting by Stuart

These dozen stamps, issued on January 1, 1932, mark the 200th anniversary of the birth of George Washington. Featured are portraits of the first President by different artists, showing him at various times of life. Charles Willson Peale did the portraits on the 1/2c, 1 1/2c, 3c, and 5c values; Gilbert Stuart the 2c and 10c denominations; John Trumbull the 6c and 7c; Charles B. J. F. Saint Memin the 8c; W. Williams the 9c; Houdon the bust on the 1c; and Charles Peale Polk the 4c stamp.



★ UNITED STATES
COMMEMORATIVES

CENTURY OF PROGRESS SOUVENIR EXHIBITION SHEET

1933

MADE IN U.S.A.

UNDER AUTHORITY OF JAMES A. FARLEY, POSTMASTER GENERAL AT A CENTURY OF PROGRESS

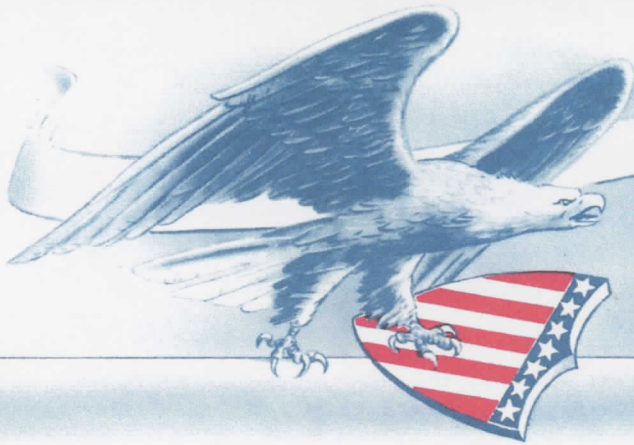
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CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, AUGUST 1933. PLATE NO. 21159

In compliment to the American Philatelic Society Convention held in Chicago the same year of the Century of Progress Exposition, Postmaster General James A. Farley authorized the issuance of a set of souvenir sheets of 25 stamps each of the Century of Progress stamps in imperforate form.



Whitely



UNITED STATES COMMEMORATIVES

CENTURY OF PROGRESS SOUVENIR EXHIBITION SHEET

1933

UNDER AUTHORITY OF JAMES A. FARLEY, POSTMASTER GENERAL AT A CENTURY OF PROGRESS

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CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, AUGUST 1933. PLATE NO. 21160

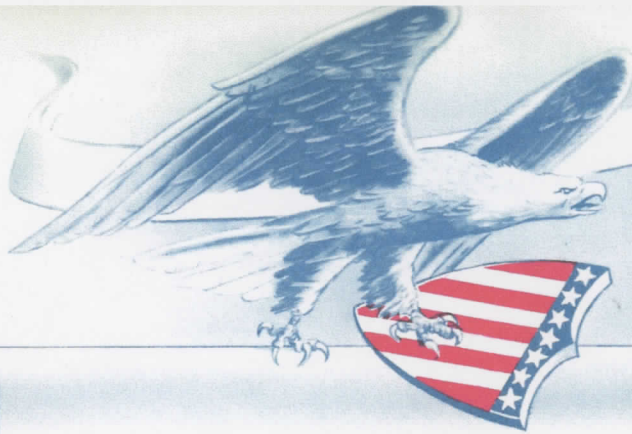
The special imperforate sheets of Century of Progress stamps were placed on sale August 25, 1933, at the philatelic station, Chicago, Ill., operated in connection with the annual convention of the American Philatelic Society, held at the Medinah Michigan Avenue Club, Chicago, August 21-26.



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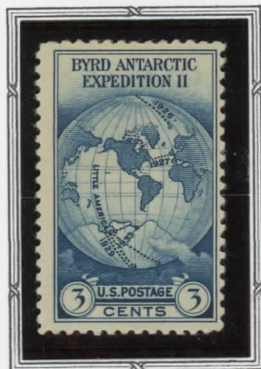
5-200

Whitcomb



★ UNITED STATES COMMEMORATIVES

BYRD ANTARCTIC 1933



Geographic Globe

Specially issued for use on letters mailed thru the Little America post office in the territory of the South Pole. This stamp was sold officially at the Philatelic Agency, Washington, D. C., only.

WISCONSIN 1934



Nicolet's Landing

Issued for the 300th anniversary of the arrival of the French explorer, Jean Nicolet, on the shores of Green Bay, who, according to historical records, was the first white man to reach the territory now comprised in the State of Wisconsin.

BYRD ANTARCTIC SOUVENIR EXHIBITION SHEET 1934

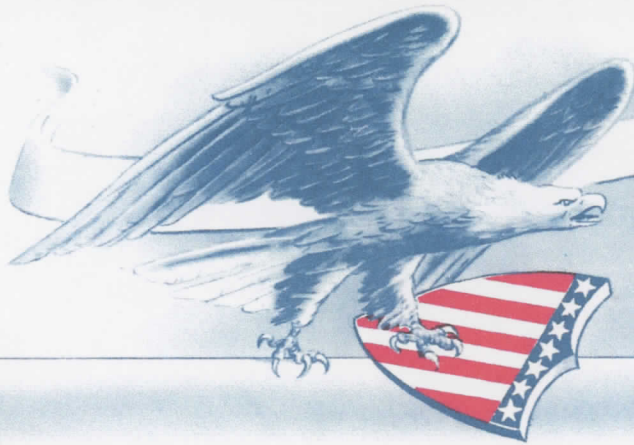


This special sheet of six Little America stamps, imperforated, was authorized for printing and placed on sale at the National Stamp Exhibition of 1934, Rockefeller Center, N. Y.



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UNITED STATES COMMEMORATIVES

NATIONAL PARKS SERIES

1934



El Capitan, Yosemite



Old Faithful, Yellowstone



Zion Park



Great Smoky Mountains



Grand Canyon



Mt. Rainier



Mesa Verde



Crater Lake



Acadia



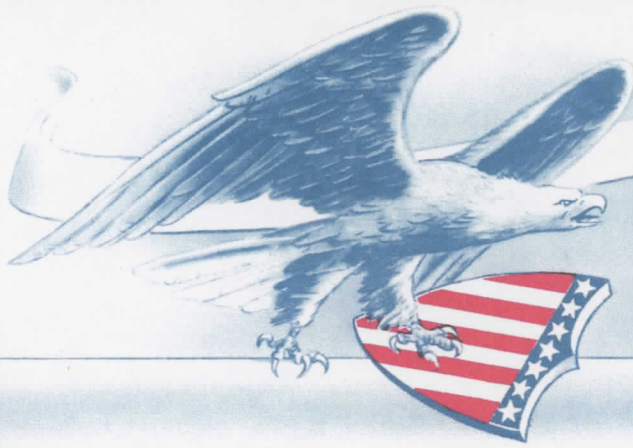
Glacier Nat. Park

In compliment to the observance of "NATIONAL PARK YEAR" 1934 and to make America conscious of its national heritage, this special series of ten stamps, each devoted to the scenic wonders from our greater parks were placed on sale at the various parks and Washington, D. C., during that year.

MADE IN U.S.A.

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NATIONAL PARKS 3c. SOUVENIR EXHIBITION SHEET

1934

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JAMES A. FARLEY, POSTMASTER GENERAL.

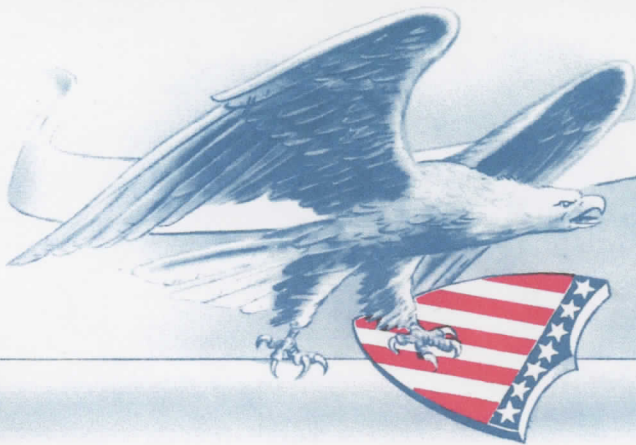
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ATLANTIC CITY, NEW JERSEY, AUGUST 1934.
PLATE NUMBER 21303

Issued in imperforated gummed sheets of six, reproductions of the 3c Mt. Rainier National Park stamp, in compliment to the American Philatelic Society Convention and Exhibition on the Steel Pier, Atlantic City, N. J., 1934.



★ UNITED STATES COMMEMORATIVES

NATIONAL PARKS 1c. SOUVENIR EXHIBITION SHEET

1934

UNDER AUTHORITY OF
JAMES A. FARLEY, POSTMASTER GENERAL

PRINTED BY THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
BUREAU OF ENGRAVING AND PRINTING

IN COMPLIMENT TO THE TRANS-MISSISSIPPI
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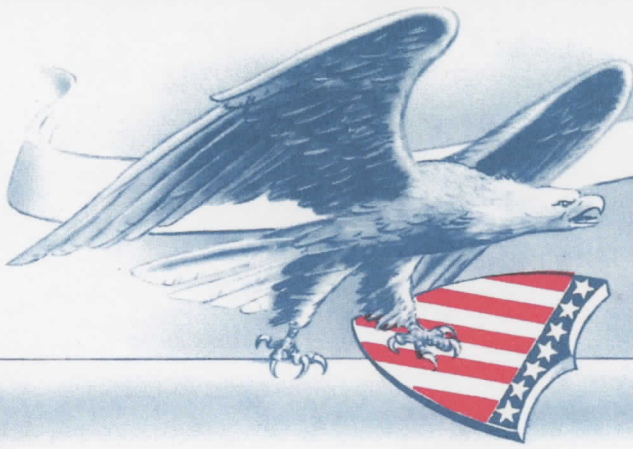
OMAHA, NEBRASKA, OCTOBER, 1934.
PLATE NUMBER 21341

Authorized by the Postmaster General in miniature sheets of six imperforated gummed 1c National Park stamps, in honor of the Trans-Mississippi Philatelic Exhibition and Convention at Omaha, Nebraska, 1934.

MADE IN U.S.A.

8 500

Wm. B. Ewing



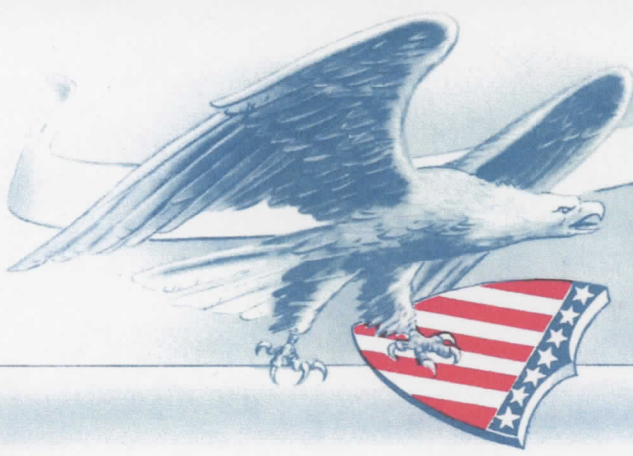
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SPECIAL PRINTING OF 1935



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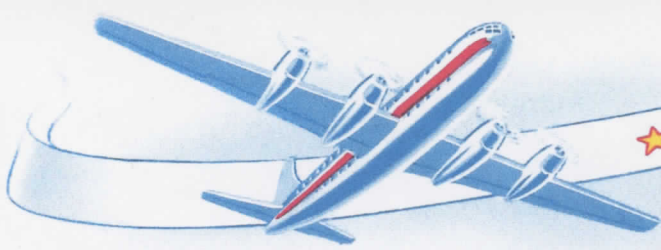


A special issue of commemorative postage stamps in UNCUT original sheets for the benefit of collectors in denominations and varieties similar to those issued in regular sheet form during 1933 and 1934. This special issue was on sale only at the Philatelic Agency, Washington, D. C., March 15 to June 15, 1935.

MADE IN U.S.A.

S-100

Whitely



★ UNITED STATES

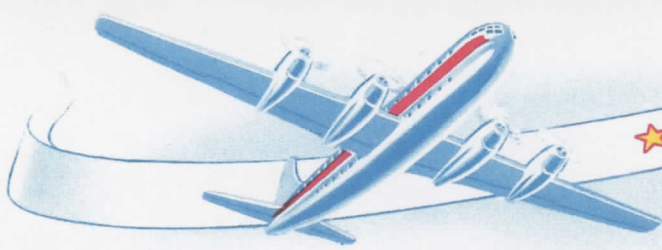
★ AIRMAILS ★

MADE IN U.S.A.



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Walt Disney



★ UNITED STATES ★
★ AIRMAILS ★

MAP AIR MAELS

1926-27



Map of the United States



Map of the United States



Map of the United States

By 1925, air mail under government sponsorship became well established and as an aid to civilian aviation Congress decided to place the service on a contract basis with private flying interests. New rates were established . . . 10c per ounce up to 1,000 miles, 15c up to 1,500 miles and 20c beyond this mileage. For the new air rates three stamps were prepared and released during 1926-27 with one common design, a relief map of the United States.

LINDBERGH

1927



Spirit of St. Louis

Aviation was growing fast by 1927 with many attempts being made to cross the Atlantic non-stop. First to succeed was Charles A. Lindbergh who flew his "Spirit of St. Louis" from New York to Paris in May. This stamp, commemorating the crossing, was released June 18, 1927.

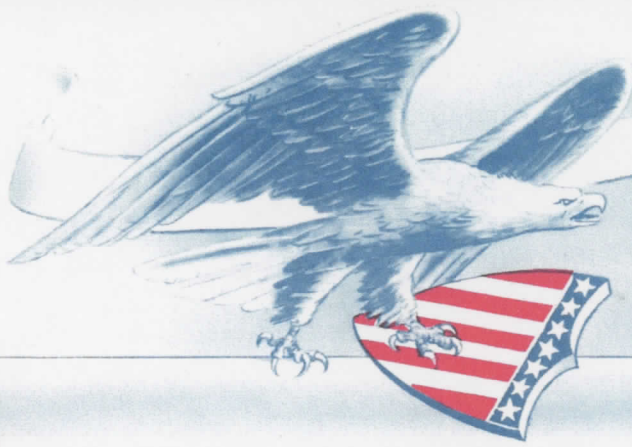
BEACON

1928



Airways Beacon

This stamp, engraved in red and blue, features the beacon light on Sherman Hill in the Rocky Mountains and a mail plane in flight. It was first placed on sale July 25, 1928 . . . the 5c Air Mail rate becoming effective on August 1st.



★ UNITED STATES COMMEMORATIVES

GRAF ZEPPELIN PAN-AMERICAN FLIGHT

1930



Graf Zeppelin over Ocean



Graf Zeppelin between Continents



Graf Zeppelin over Globe

Great interest in the mail carrying flights of the Graf Zeppelin prompted the Post Office Department to issue this set of three stamps in connection with the Europe-Pan American Flight. This was one of the more important flights of the great German airship which carried it from Germany to South America, thence to Lakehurst and back to Germany in a huge triangle. The stamps were placed on sale April 19, 1930 at Washington, D. C. and at selected post offices in the forty-eight states on April 21st.

GRAF ZEPPELIN CENTURY OF PROGRESS FLIGHT

1933



Graf Zeppelin between Friedrichshafen and Chicago

Germany sent the Airship Graf Zeppelin as her messenger of good will to the CENTURY OF PROGRESS EXPOSITION in Chicago the Fall of 1933. The ship carried special souvenir letters for which the 50c stamp was issued on October 2, 1933.





MADE IN U.S.A.



8-210 R





TRANSPACIFIC

1937



China Clipper

1935



China Clipper

1937



China Clipper

For the inauguration of Pan American Clipper service to the Philippine Islands, a special 25c stamp was released on November 22, 1935. Almost two years later, on February 15, 1937, the 20c and 50c denominations were released in conjunction with the extension of the service to the China mainland.

TRANSATLANTIC

1939



Winged Globe

Similar in design to the "Winged Globe" air mails of the early 30's, this 30c denomination was issued for the establishment of Trans-Atlantic air mail service from the United States to Europe. It was first placed on sale in New York City May 16, 1939, eve of the inauguration of the new route.

AIR SPECIAL DELIVERY

1934



Great Seal of the United States CE 1

1936



Great Seal of the United States CE 2

The first combination adhesive to prepay two distinct types of service, this stamp . . . 6c air mail and 10c special delivery . . . was first placed on sale at the American Air Mail Society Convention in Chicago, August 30, 1934.

Similar in design to the issue released in 1934, this stamp, printed in two colors of red and blue, was placed on sale at Washington, D.C. February 10, 1936. The color improvement was to make air mail special delivery mail more distinguishable to those working the mails in our nation's post offices.

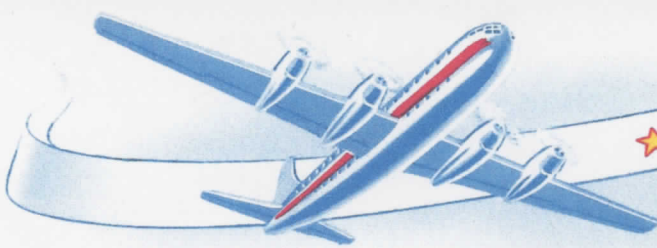
AMERICAN EAGLE

1938



American Eagle

As part of the celebration of National Air Mail Week and for greater efficiency in recognizing air mail matter from ordinary mail, this stamp was released on May 14, 1938. St. Petersburg, Fla., where the first air passenger flight was made, and Dayton, Ohio, home of the Wright Brothers, were the official first day cities.



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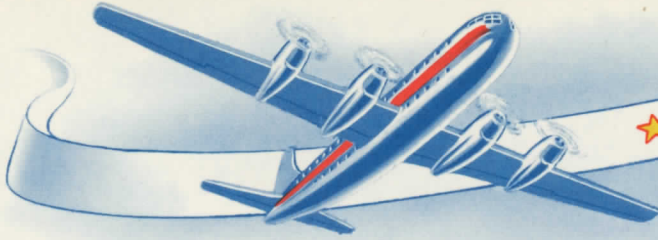
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★ UNITED STATES ★
★ AIRMAILS ★

ALEXANDRIA

1949



Historical Buildings and Seal

Originally called Belhaven, the city of Alexandria became incorporated in 1749 under its present name. From 1790 until 1846 it was part of the District of Columbia. It is an important port on the Potomac River for shipping cotton and tobacco.

REGULAR AIR MAIL

1949



Four Motored Transport

This stamp replaced the five cent air mail issue of 1947 in compliance with the new domestic air mail rate of six cents per ounce.

WRIGHT BROTHERS

1949



Wright Brothers and Plane

This stamp was issued to commemorate the first free controlled and sustained powered flight by man, performed by the Wright Brothers — Orville and Wilbur — at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, on December 17, 1903. This stamp was issued December 17, 1949.

AIR MAIL COIL

1949



Four Motored Transport

In conjunction with the recent air mail postal rate change, this six cent coil was issued to replace the five cent air mail coil stamp of 1948.

NEW YORK CITY

1948



Golden Anniversary Symbol

This red stamp commemorates the enactment of a new charter in 1898 that incorporated the five boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn, Queens, the Bronx, and Richmond (Staten Island) into greater New York City. A map of the area is shown on the stamp.

AIR CARD STAMP

1954



American Eagle

January 1, 1949 saw the first application of a new four cent air mail postal card rate. To provide an adhesive which could be used on souvenir postal cards and other unstamped air postal cards, this four cent air mail stamp was introduced on September 3, 1954.



UNIVERSAL POSTAL UNION

1949



UPU Monument and Post Office Dept.



Allegory of Universal Mail Service



Plane and World

The Universal Postal Union is a confederation of most of the nations of the world for the purpose of facilitating the exchange of mail among the countries. The headquarters of the organization, which was founded in 1874, are at Berne, Switzerland. Many countries of the world issued stamps to honor the UPU on its 75th anniversary in 1949. These three air mail commemoratives are the tribute of the U. S.

DIAMOND HEAD

1952



Diamond Head, Honolulu, Hawaii

The need for a high denomination air mail stamp for use with the new air parcel post service resulted in the issuance of this 80c air mail stamp which was first placed on sale in Honolulu, Hawaii on March 26, 1952.

POWERED FLIGHT

1953



Wright Plane & Modern Plane

This stamp, issued May 29, 1953, marks the 50th anniversary of the first successful flight by the Wright Brothers at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, in 1903. The aviation industry in 1953 celebrated in year-long observances a half-century of aviation progress.

AIR CARD STAMP

1958



American Eagle in Flight

First offered for sale on July 31, 1958, this five cent air mail stamp was issued to cover the new air mail postage rate of five cents per ounce on air mail postcards.

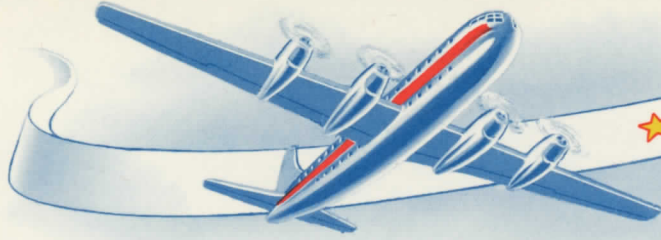
AIR FORCE

1957



B-52 and F-104 Planes

This stamp, released on August 1, 1957, commemorates the 50th anniversary of the United States Air Force as part of the national defense system. The design features a B-52 Stratofortress in a banking position with three F-104 Starfighters in the background.



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★ AIRMAILS ★

BALLOON JUPITER

1959



Balloon and Crowd

This stamp commemorates the carrying of mail by John Wise's balloon "Jupiter"; it was released August 17, 1959 at Lafayette, Indiana. Wise was to have made his flight on August 16, 1859, but postponed it to the next day because of a faulty gas valve.

AIR MAIL DEFINITIVE

1958



Stylized Jet Plane

The blue seven cent air mail stamp shown above was issued to cover new air mail postage rates which became effective August 1, 1958. The design features a silhouette view of the wing and fuselage of a modern jet airliner.

PAN AMERICAN GAMES

1959



Runner Holding Torch

To mark the opening of the Pan American Games in Chicago, Illinois on August 17, 1959, this 10c air mail stamp was issued. The Games periodically gather together amateur athletes from the various countries of the Americas to participate in friendly sports competitions.

AIR COIL

1958



Stylized Jet Plane

In conjunction with the issuance of the seven cent air mail stamp above, this coil variety, for use in vending machines and mechanical office dispensers, was issued on July 31, 1958.

ALASKA STATEHOOD

1959



Big Dipper, North Star and Map

The territory of Alaska became the 49th State on January 3, 1959. The blue stamp, whose color matches that of Alaska's flag, features the Big Dipper and North Star which are portrayed on the State's flag. The stamp was issued on the day Alaska joined the Union.

HAWAII STATEHOOD

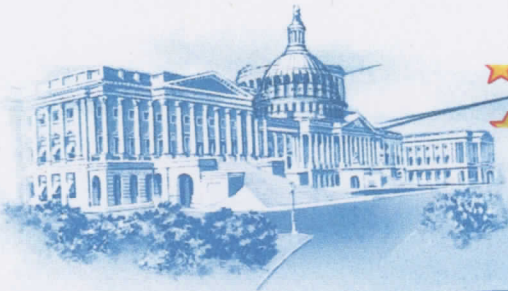
1959



Warrior, Map and Star

Hawaii was admitted to the Union as a State on August 21, 1959. This stamp was released on that date to commemorate the occasion. The design was selected in a competition held throughout the Hawaiian Islands. Joseph Feher created this prize-winning motif.





UNITED STATES

POSTAGE

PARCEL POST POSTAGE DUES
1912



SPECIAL HANDLING
1925-1928



MADE IN U.S.A.

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