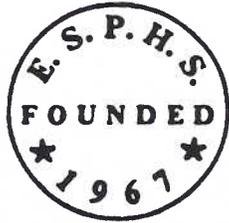
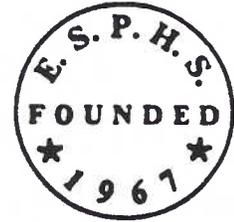


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## MANUSCRIPT POST OFFICES OF ORANGE COUNTY BY MARTIN MARGULIS

In the past few years *La Posta* has organized studies of various postal markings. Committees were set up to coordinate the work which consisted mainly of trying to learn how many post offices could have used a given marking and then to find examples of the marking on cover. Copies of the covers were sent to the state coordinator who collated the information and sent an update to *La Posta* for publication. Periodically the updates were incorporated into the previous reports and a revised report containing all known information on a given marking was published. Jack Haefeli was *La Posta*'s NYS Doane coordinator.

With this in mind, I compared my Orange County manuscript postmark covers against those listed in Chlanda and Wilcox in terms of inclusion in the list and the date of their earliest known use. I found I had a few covers which were not listed, which is not too surprising.

What I couldn't know were the names of those post offices not listed because no covers had been found from them with manuscript postmarks. To learn this I had to go to Kay and Smith to find out which Orange County P.O.'s were established prior to 1865. I then collated the Chlanda & Wilcox list with the names of the post offices in Kay & Smith. I also entered in the date on which each post office

was established. In most cases ten or more years had elapsed between the post office's date of establishment and the earliest known manuscript usage. I next wrote in the date listed in Phillip's *American Stampless Cover Catalog (ASCC)* for the use of hand stamped postmarks. Many post offices were neither in Chlanda & Wilcox nor the *ASCC*, since no covers were known from them. Some had been around for a number of years, too.

If you were interested in learning about the names of potential manuscript-using post offices in your county, you could use this method. The *ASCC* only goes up to 1856, the end of the stampless period. However in Orange County at least, post offices were using manuscript postmarks up until the 1880's.

All Orange County P.O.'s before 1860, and some later, used manuscript postmarks. Only post offices opened prior to 1865 or those opened later which are known to have used manuscript postmarks are listed. Wardsbridge (1814/15) and West Point (1818) used hand stamp post marks some time within their manuscript period and then dropped them. Lawton and Leptondale used manuscript post marks until the 1880's. Some other little post offices might have used them even later.

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**EDITOR'S MESSAGE**

I have recently returned from Stampshow '91 in Philadelphia, where I had a very pleasant and productive time. David and I entered the *Bulletin* in the competition for 'small' society journals, and we are proud to say we came away with a silver-bronze award. Only the Vermont Philatelic Society publication did better, winning a silver. That is as good as a small society can expect to do, and we hope to attain it in future competitions. Our vice-president, Bob Harris, won a silver for his publication, *P.S.*

We have not as yet received the written critique of the *Bulletin*. The oral critique was quite limited due to time constraints. One criticism is the lack of volume and issue numbers. This has been rectified in the current issue.

We will be exchanging journals with the Texas Postal History Society. There will be further discussions with Vermont of an occasional cooperative or joint issue devoted in part to interstate mail routes. The topic of a Northeastern postal history meeting was also raised.

I learned from discussions with Mrs. Diane D. Boehret, President of the Postal History Society (U.S.), that we are affiliated with that organization. We exchange publications. Mrs. Boehret promised to write to me about the other benefits of our affiliation.

Lastly, dues are due, and at the Sidney meeting the proposal to raise them to ten dollars per year will be put to a vote. As the *Bulletin* improves, it becomes increasingly expensive to print and distribute. Postal rates are going up again in 1992. I assume everything else will go up, too. That is why we need the money and why you are reading this under the Editor's Column.

If you object to the increase in dues which was approved at the May meeting in Utica, come to Sidney and make your voice heard.

Martin Margulis

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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Eleven ESPHS members attended the Society meeting at Stampshow '91, which isn't too bad considering the lack of publicity about it. Among those present were Bob Harris, who delivered a talk, William Bauer, John Cali, Alan Parsons, Dr. Arthur Groton and Brad Arch. I apologize to those other members whose names I did not get.

On Friday, members William Hart, Walter Demmerle and Henry Chlanda attended the show. I also spoke to members John Kay and Sidney Fingerhood who attended as representatives of the Mobile Post Office Society.

I helped man the APS Affiliates' table and had a good chance to talk to Robert de Violini, Chairman of the Affiliates' Coordinating Committee, about a greater role for the state affiliates in the governance of APS. As I see it, this could result in more APS cooperation in recruiting state members. Mr. de Violini said he would study this matter and see what could be done.

I spoke to one of the officers of the American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors who assured me that any AAPE published materials could be utilized by ESPHS to help "educate" its members about better exhibiting practices. Of course, attribution of the material to AAPE would have to be made, but this is only common courtesy. I said I would join and an application should be en route to me.

Returning to Bob Harris' talk, it concerned using Congressional reports to help reconstruct mail routes which could then be mapped for either individual counties or the entire state. The talk was well received, although there was no agreement on how ESPHS would help in this project. My own feeling was that when an outline of the book was finished, Bob and Dr. Groton would seek out interested people who would pay a pre-publication price for the book.

I discussed with Bill Welch, editor of the *American Philatelist*, our use of some of the material in the Kay & Smith book on NYS Post Offices in updating *Manuscript Postmarks of NYS*. He was noncommittal, as this might affect the sale of the Kay & Smith book. John Kay had no objections to our use of his books for this purpose as he agreed that *Manuscript Postmarks* needed updating.

Although I mentioned it under my other hat as editor, I am writing it again. Dues are due!! Send them to Maris or pay him at Sidney. Also, we will vote at the Sidney meeting on raising dues to ten dollars per year. This was agreed to by vote at the Utica meeting. The Sidney vote would make it official.

Martin Margulis

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In 1967, Charles Sweeting and Harry Taber discussed the possibility of forming a group with interest in the postal history of New York State. Others with similar interests were contacted. A meeting was held, and the decision to form the EMPIRE STATE POSTAL HISTORY SOCIETY was made.

Formal organization was held at CENTOPEX - A PHILATELIC EXHIBITION held April 29-30, 1967 at the War Memorial Building in Syracuse, N.Y.

There were 10 members present, and Charles Sweeting was elected president for a two year term. Sweeting was reelected in 1969, but gave up the office when he moved from the area. During his term of office, many projects were initiated. Some of them are:

- Lists of R.F. D. cancels
- County postmaster and post marks lists
- Lists of machine cancels
- County lists of postmasters
- Writing of a constitution

On his return to the area, he served many terms as director. Charlie faithfully attended meetings, always had useful suggestions, and was very helpful to the members. It is with pleasure that I extend to Charlie LIFE MEMBERSHIP in ESPHS on behalf of all the members of the society.

May 5, 1991



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Member David Proulx has completed his book on NYS County & Postmaster cancellations. A copy of the book will be sent FREE to all members who request it and who haven't previously received one. You must send your request to David Proulx, 7629 Homestead Dr., Baldwinsville, NY 13027

#### N.Y.S. STAR CANCELS by David Proulx

This book contains all known star cancels and lists them by town, county and date of use. Several illustrations are included. This is a reprint of the 1987 book. Price \$7.50 post paid. Order from David Proulx, 7629 Homestead Dr., Baldwinsville, NY 13027.

#### THE POST OFFICES OF THE COUNTY OF DUTCHESS by Roy Ahlquist

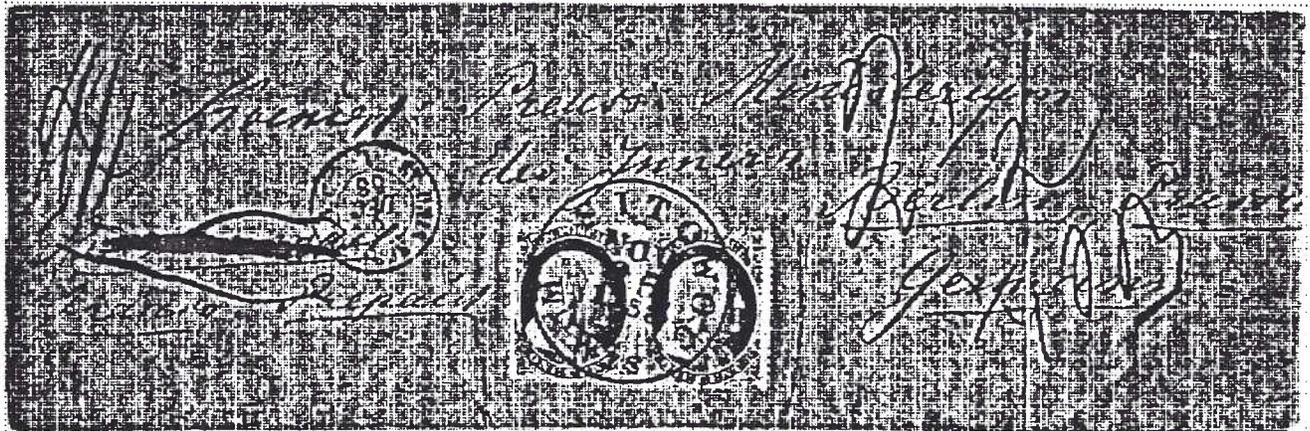
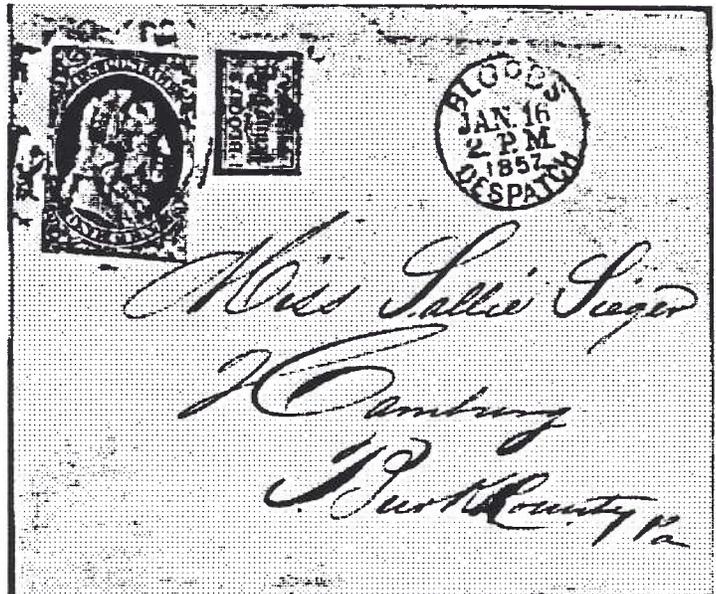
Provides names, locations and brief information according to postal records for all of the post offices which have existed in the county. Price \$2.85, postpaid. Order directly from Roy Ahlquist, RR1, Box 122 N. Quaker Lane, Staatsburg, NY 12580

# SCARCE WRAPPERS FROM THE BANCHIK COLLECTION

By SEYMOUR BANCHIK

## 1851 Type II

*Blood's 1 cent bronze on lilac, used to pay printed matter rate, local fee. Local is acid tied. Unusual in combination with 1 cent, more often seen with 3 cent on letters. Ex Ishikawa.*



## 1857 Type V

*Manitowoc, Wisc. to Berlin Nov. 15, 1858. Two cent overseas rate. Endorsed per Bremen Mails, routed via England by British Mail, then in transit to France. U.S. postage paid only to England. Blue manuscript "2-1/2" (silbergroschen) is the Prussian due marking for British and French transit plus domestic postage.*

**STATUS REPORT ON CINCOPEX 1991  
EXHIBIT AND BOURSE  
BY KEN DE LISLE**

We have a report from Art Carver, Chairman of CINCOPEX 1991, regarding the status of our fifty 6-page frame commitment. Entries are quite disappointing, to say the least. As of August 10 we have 4 (FOUR!) entries with 29 frames, 13 from one member alone.

We can do much better than this. Perhaps it may seem a little early, but October 12 is not that far away, especially if one has to check through an old exhibit or set up a new one. It will only take a couple of frames from 8 or 10 members to go way over the top. As we have pointed out previously, your two, three or four frame entry does not have to be NYS postal history. There will be a beautiful desktop clock awarded to the best traditional or topical display by a member of the ESPHS, provided there is reasonable competition.

A poor entry level does not bode well for our 25th Anniversary Celebration 1992 when we had hoped to have a really big postal history exhibit and bourse. Let's pick up the slack, get that entry in now. Write Art Carver, RR1, Box 511, Norwich, NY 13815 for prospectus and entry blank or see last month's *Bulletin* for Society sources of the information.

**A THOUGHTFUL GIFT  
BY KEN DE LISLE**

Long-time member John S. Whittlesey, whose prize-winning collection of industrial named post offices of New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Virginia is well known to our older members, has made the Society an unrestricted gift. He recently mailed us a package of research material he had assembled on the New York State portion of his interesting subject. Included are letters from state, county and town historical societies, photocopies of pages from obsolete gazetteers and similar hard to find data on the background of certain 19th century discontinued post offices.

"Whitt" has suggested that it be dispersed as widely as possible to our county collectors, with his compliments. The October gathering in Sidney seems to be the logical spot for meeting his wishes. Consequently, all those of you interested in learning more of your favorite county's offices with names including WORKS, MINES, MILLS, FACTORY and the like are invited to visit our meeting room at the Masonic Temple on Sunday, October 13th next. View the CINCOPEX exhibits, visit the bourse, attend our meeting. Look over and perhaps take home with you some nice information on one or more of your DPOs.

The ESPHS takes this opportunity to thank member Whittlesey for his thoughtful gift and to assure him the material will be placed in the hands of those who will appreciate the work that went into assembling the data.

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**ROPEX NEEDS EXHIBITORS**

ROPEX, the annual Rochester Philatelic Exhibition, will be held next year from Friday, March 27th through Sunday, March 29th. ROPEX is one of the two World Series of Philately shows held in New York State, the other being INTERPEX, which is held in New York City.

At the present time, ROPEX is seeking exhibits for the show. Frames, which hold sixteen pages, are six dollars. Each exhibit may have a maximum of ten frames; the minimum is one frame. A fee for the return of exhibits is required unless the exhibitor is picking it up.

Exhibit space is usually totally allocated by early December, so if you are interested in exhibiting, you should apply soon. Official entry forms can be obtained from ROPEX, 130 Trafalgar St., Rochester, NY 14619.

I have discussed with Bill Hart the holding of a regional meeting during the show. This was done

previously with satisfactory results. Mr. Hart will look into this. It would also be nice if ESPHS had a table at the show. Of course, this would require members' help in manning it.

I hope that our members will consider exhibiting at this show and at INTERPEX in New York City. ESPHS will provide awards as required by the number of entries. I gather we have some very nice prizes. Obviously, ROPEX will provide its own awards from bronze to gold. If we are to have a higher profile, at least in New York State, we must exhibit and have tables at major shows. Right now, most of our members live in the central part of the state. Membership in the metropolitan New York area is growing. We must provide more activities for the western part of the state. Participation in ROPEX is one of the ways to do this.

# THE UNITED STATES' LAST REGULAR FLAG CANCEL

SUBMITTED BY ART CARVER

The CINCOPEX 91 stamp show in the Masonic Temple, Sidney, N.Y., on Oct. 12-13 has as its theme the 50th anniversary of the last machine flag cancel.

The last known use in the United States of a machine flag cancel was in 1941 at Sidney Center, N.Y. Flag cancel machines date from 1894 and were made largely by the American Postal Supply Co. until 1925. The particular machine that was the last in use was made in 1911 and was bought by three clerks in the Sidney, N.Y. post office, having a capacity of 250 letters per minute. It was used there until sold in 1928 to the Sidney Center post office, it being replaced at Sidney by a new electric-powered canceller.

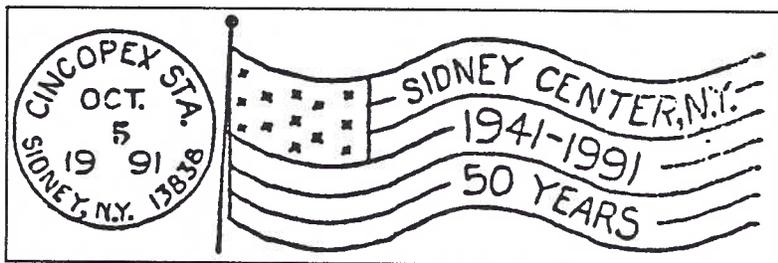
Sidney Center continued to use the now obsolescent machine, but flag cancel machines were gradually being retired across the country during the 1930's, and the remaining ones became worn and made many defective partial strikes. In 1941 it was no longer possible to obtain type for the year date and Sidney Center reverted to hand cancels, but an ingenious mechanic filed down the rather straight-sided "0" of 1940 and converted it into a slightly bent "1" to make 1941, and its use was resumed on Jan 22, 1941.

The Post Office Department was not to be put off and flatly ordered the retirement of the machine as of May 27, 1941, but so many requests from collectors were received that a special favor cancel was applied on Dec. 31, 1941, to end the flag cancel era just half a century ago this year.

The show cancel will feature a flag cancel of the type used at Sidney Center and the show covers will have a photo of the 1941 Sidney Center P.O. Covers will be franked with various flag stamps—the Mt. Rushmore, Flags on Parade, Flag with Olympic Rings, "F" plastic ATM and the 25-cent and 4-cent flag stamps.

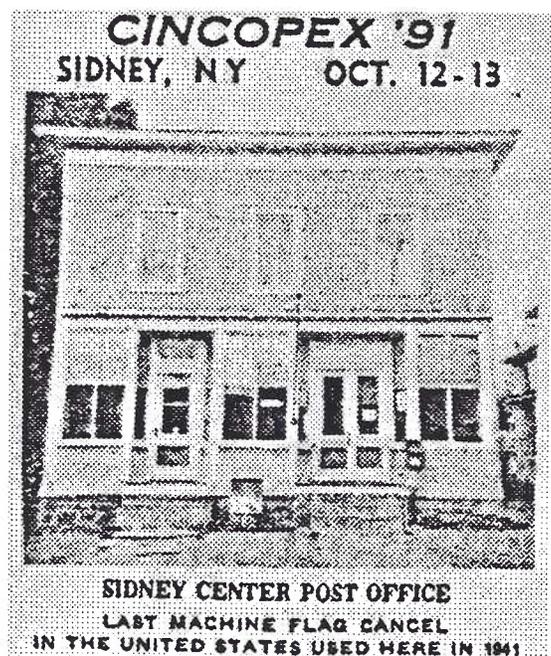
Covers are \$1.25 each or \$5.50 for a set of five with different stamps. They may be obtained from Franklyn Rudd, 614 N. James St., Rome, N.Y. 13440. A large SASE is required. A show prospectus is available from Art Carver, RD 1, Bx 511, Norwich, N.Y. 13815. There will be a show banquet at the Masonic Temple on Saturday night.

CINCOPEX is jointly sponsored by five upstate New York clubs from Rome, Utica, Sherrill, Hamilton and Sidney. The show will host the Empire State Postal History Society's fall meeting on Sunday afternoon.



*Above: Sample of CINCOPEX show cancel. The cancel commemorates the 50th anniversary of the last U.S. regular flag cancel.*

*Right: A poor scan of a post card showing the Sidney Post Office as it looked in 1941.*



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## ABBREVIATIONS USED

<p>NK No Known Use (against C. &amp; W. list)</p> <p>NYD No year date</p> <p>TL P.O. established after stampless period</p>		<p>NL Not listed (against ASCC list)</p> <p>SIO Still in operation</p>
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## ORANGE COUNTY LISTING

Post Office Name	Date Established	Earliest Manuscript	Earliest Hand Stamp	Date Discontinued
Accommodationville	1843	NK	NL	1848
Amity	1816	184?	NL	1940
Bellville	1849	NK	NL	SIO
Blooming Grove	1813	1829	1830	SIO
Bullville	1825	NK	NL	1831
"	1834	10/8/40	NL	SIO
Burnside	1863	NK	TL	1874
"	1879	NK	TL	SIO
Buttermilk Falls	1849	NK	1850	1866
Cadiz	1831	9/30/31	NL	1834
Canterbury	1811(?)	3/3/07	1822	1849
Carpenter's Point	1816	NK	NL	1830
Center Point	1854	NK	TL	1863
Chester	1797	1815	1844	SIO
Circleville	1852	NK	TL	SIO
Coldenham	1820	1/27/24	NL	SIO
Collaburgh	1856	1861	TL	1869
Cornwall	1849	NK	1850	SIO
Cornwall Landing	1863	NK	TL	TO: Cornwall-on-the-Hudson (1873)
Craigville	1827	1845	NL	1944
Crawford	1824	NK	NL	TO: Pine Bush (1853)
Cronomer's Valley	1874	1880	TL	1908
Cuddebackville	1826	5/7/36	NL	SIO
Deer Park	1816	NK	NL	1826
Dolsentown	1832	NK	NL	1844
Edenville	1826	12/17/32	NL	1924
Finchville	1826	NK	NL	1852
Florida	1804	1806	1851	SIO
Ft. Montgomery	1858	NK	TL	SIO
Fullerton	1866	NK	TL	1868
Goshen	1792	5/13/11	1821	SIO
Graham	1829	NK	NL	1843
Greenwood Works	1854	NYD-free	TL	TO: Greenwood Iron Works (1869)
Hamptonburgh	1828	NK	NL	1836
"	1836	1848	NL	1891
Highland Mills	1832	1844	NL	SIO
Honesville	1826	NK	NL	1840

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Horace	1829	NK	NL	1842
Howell's Depot	1847	11/21/49	1855	TO: Howells (1904)
Huguenot	1835	11/21/54	NL	SIO
Lawton	1863	7/8/74	TL	1898
Leptondale	1881	3/10/84	TL	1915
Little Britain	1803	NK	NL	1813
"	1824	NK	NL	1866
Middle Hope	1832	NYD	1844	1937
Middletown	1816	1823	NL	TO: S. Middletown (1829)
So. Middletown	1829	1/14/40	1843	TO: Middletown (1849)
Middletown	1849	NK	1849/50	SIO
Minisink	1819	1843	NL	1921
Mitchell's Corners	1855	NK	TL	1856
Monroe	1809	3/28/41	1854	SIO
Monroe Works	1811	1811	1830	TO: Southfields (1882)
Montgomery	1828	1829	1831	SIO
Moodna	1853	NK	TL	1914
Mortonville	1850	NK	NL	1864
Mount Hope	1816	8/28/34	NL	1901
New Antrim	1797	NK	NL	1798
Newburgh	1795	6/5/01	1812	SIO
New Hampton	1844	NYD	1850	SIO
New Milford	1826	NK	NL	SIO
New Vernon	1822	11/6/40	NL	1853
New Windsor	1811	1830	NL	1853
Orange	1824	NK	NL	1832
Otisville	1819	8/19/23	1846	SIO
Otterville	1852	NK	TL	SIO
Oxford Depot	1843	1849	NL	1929
Paradise	1873	1873	NL	1895
Philipsburg	1816	1817	NL	TO: Philipsburgh (1827)
Philipsburgh	1827	1/20/35	NL	1847
"	1847	NK	NL	1849
Pine Bush	1853	NK	TL	SIO
Pine Island	1870	2/12/72	TL	SIO
Port Jervis	1830	NK	NL	1832
"	1833	1838	1841	SIO
Ridgebury	1817	5/30/40	NL	1966
St. Andrew's	1830	NK	NL	1856
"	1856	NYD	TL	1866
Salisbury	1813	NK	1843	TO: Salisbury Mills (1820)
Salisbury Mills	1820	1829	1853	SIO
Savill	1884	1/10/85	TL	1892
Scotchtown	1822	2/12/42	NL	1907
Searsville	1850	6/20/67	TL	1905
Slate Hill	1828	1838	NL	1865
"	1868	NK	TL	SIO
Southfield	1803	NK	NL	1809

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So. Gardnersville	1864	NK	TL	1866
Sparrow Bush	1854	1857	185?	SIO
Sugar Loaf	1829	3/9/42	NL	SIO
Turner's	1843	6/10/45	NL	1910
Unionville	1824	NYD	NL	SIO
Unity	1834	NK	NL	1838
Vail's Gate	1864	NK	TL	SIO
Van Burenville	1834	NK	NL	1847
Walden	1822	11/27/26	1842	SIO
Wallkill	1802	NK	NL	1803
"	1804	NK	NL	1829
"	1854	NK	TL	1856
Wardsbridge	1792	1809	1814/15	TO: Montgomery (1828)
Warwick	1792	1837	1827	SIO
Waterloo Mills	1856	NK	TL	1879
Wells Corner	1828	1839	NL	1879
West Point	1815	1830	1818/20	SIO
West Town	1816	NYD	NL	SIO

Two years ago, I wrote about using the *Bulletin* as a means of updating Chlanda & Wilcox's *Manuscript Post Offices of New York State* (1984). A two part update was published in the *Bulletin* in 1987 which is now out of print. The format of the update is, in my opinion, difficult to use and useless without the original book. It would seem that what is needed is a complete revision of the original book, but this is not feasible as we have too many copies on hand to just throw them away.

I have spoken with Henry Chlanda, Jack Haefeli, Maris Timms and Bill Seifert, and they agree updating is overdue.

I am open to suggestions as to how we should proceed. In my opinion, all the old information should be put on a computer. (Doug Penwell may already have done this.) All members should be asked to submit any new information that they may have on manuscript postmarks to a state-wide coordinator. The new information developed should be collated into the computer-based list. Updates could appear in the *Bulletin* or be published independently. Eventually a revised edition of Chlanda & Wilcox will need to be published. This should come under the Publication Committee's budget. Your opinions and suggestions are solicited.

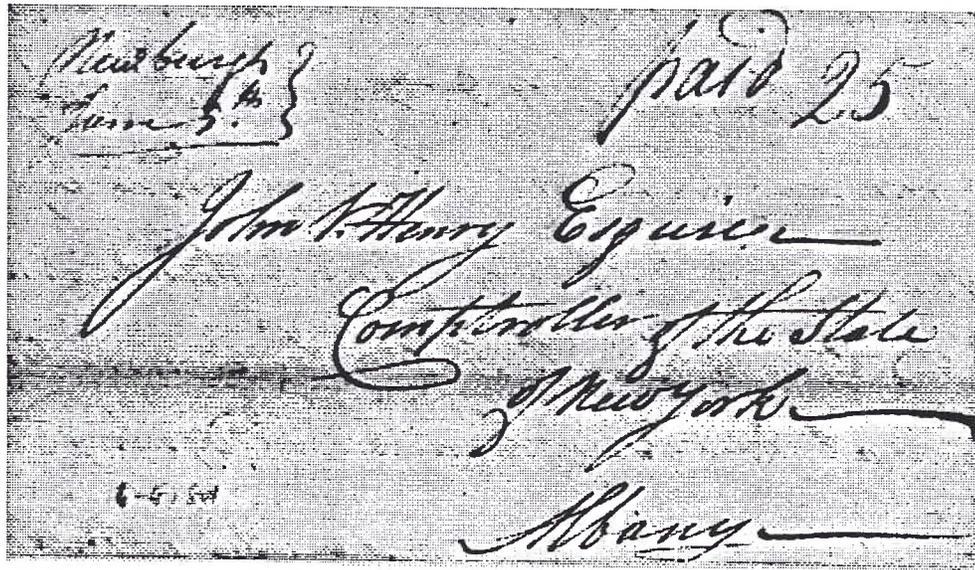
*On the following pages you will find illustrations of eight manuscript covers. The oldest cover, from Newburgh to Albany, rated 25 cents is no doubt a double rate cover. The 17 cent rate is for 151 to 300 miles during the period 1799 through 1816: Canterbury being a few miles south of Newburgh paid the higher rate. The Chester FLS also was covered by*

*this rate plus the 50% war-tax rate in place in 1815. The Goshen rate to Albany is 12-1/2 cents as it was less than 150 miles from that city. The Mount Hope FLS is rated at 10 cents as it was fewer than 80 miles from New York City. From 1816 through 1845 the rate for 31 to 80 miles was 10 cents. By the 1880's a three cent stamp covered postage anywhere in the United States.*

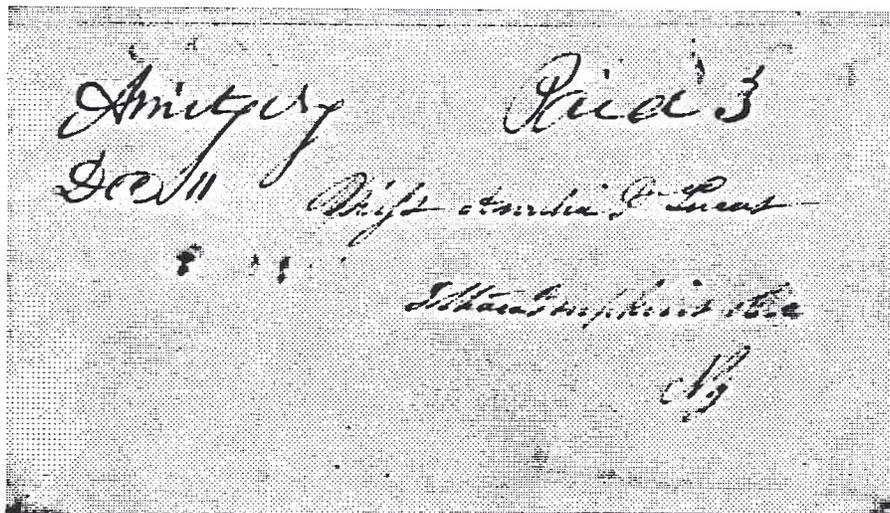
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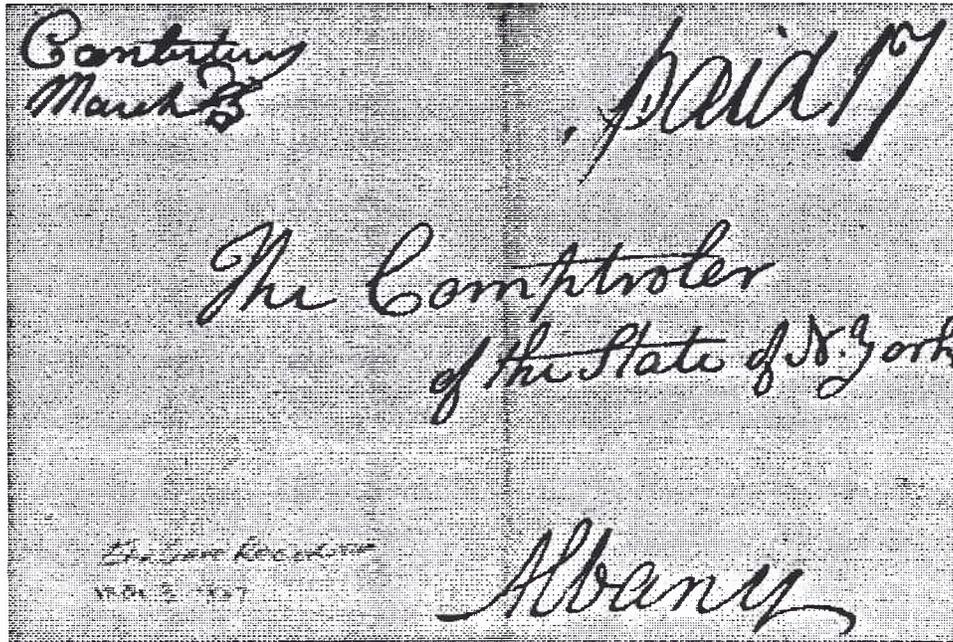


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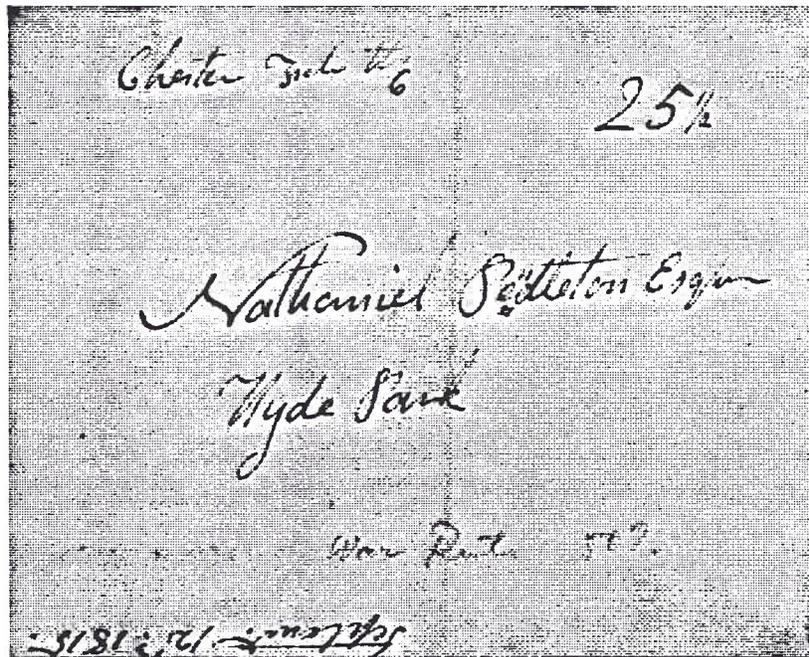
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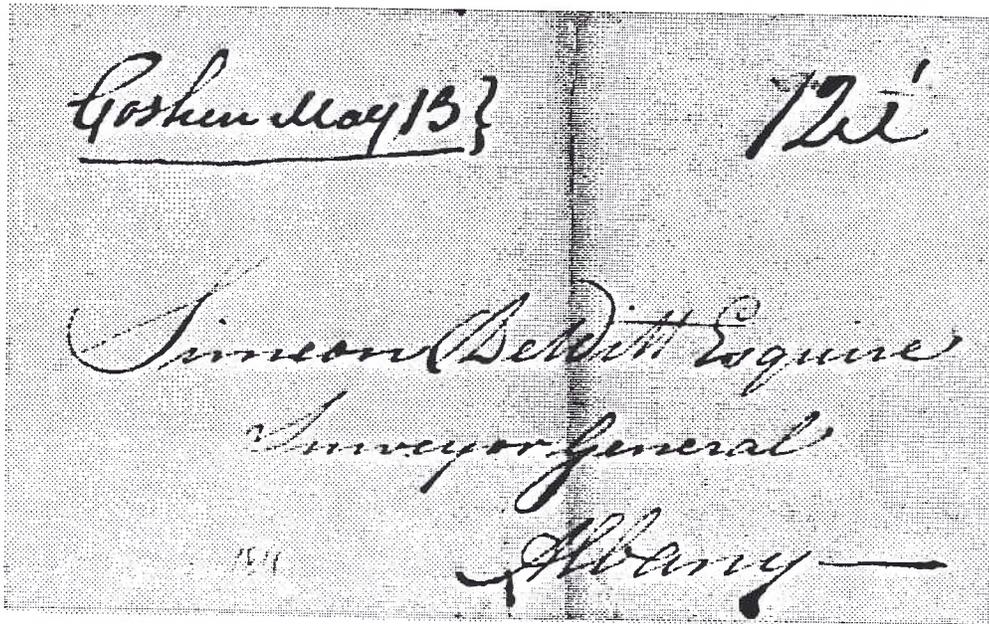


The EKU from Chester and a war-rate cover ( $17 + 8-1/2 = 25$  cents postage). The Chester Post Office was opened in 1797.

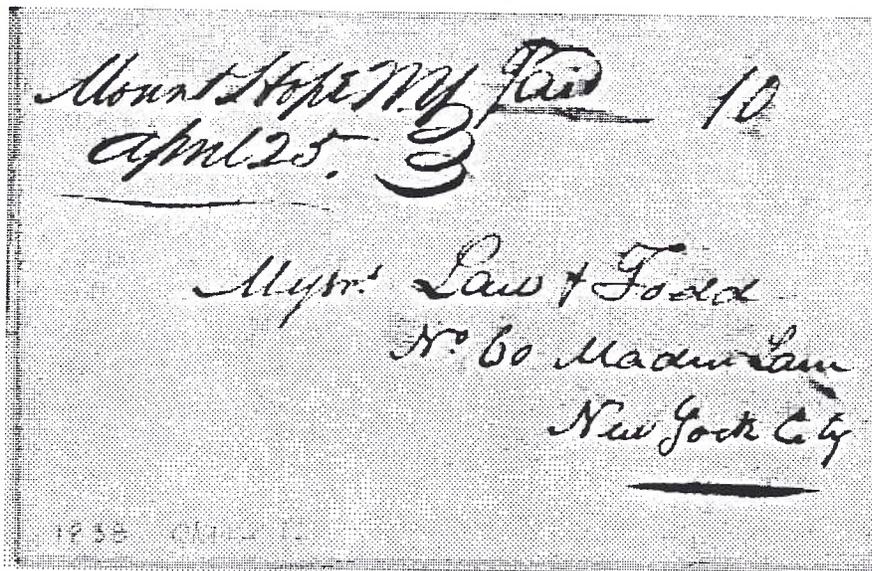
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An 1811 cover from Goshen, county seat of Orange County. This is the EKU. The post office opened in 1792



The Mount Hope Post Office was established in 1816. This FLS is dated April 25, 1838. The EKU is August 28, 1834

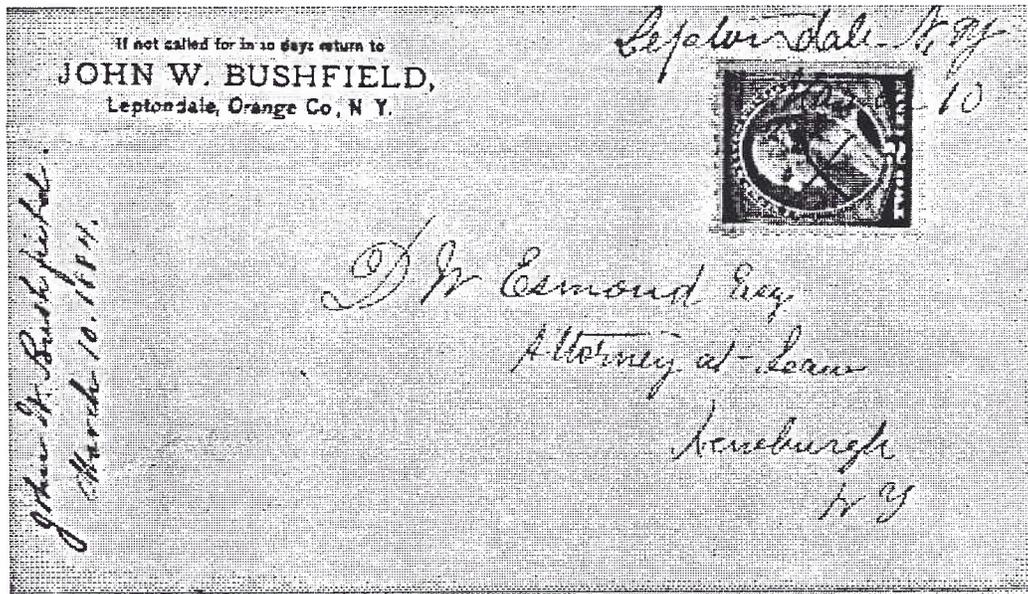
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Lawton got its post office in 1863. They were still using manuscript post marks in 1883 as this cover shows.



The Lepton Dale Post Office was established in 1861. This manuscript cover is dated March 18, 1884 and is the E.K.U.

# U.S. EXPRESS MAIL ALBANY TO BUFFALO ROUTE BY DR. LOUIS CALL

There are a number of railroad mail routes in the early postal history of our state that we know little about or that still have unanswered questions about them. One of the earliest of these is the U. S. Express Mail route from Albany to Buffalo in the 1840's.

What do we know about this route? Firstly, we know that the railroads involved were:

1. The Mohawk & Hudson (Albany to Schenectady)
2. The Utica and Schenectady
3. Syracuse & Utica
4. Auburn & Syracuse
5. Rochester & Syracuse
6. Buffalo & Rochester
7. Auburn & Rochester
8. Attica & Buffalo

All of these small railroads became the New York Central Railroad. Secondly, we know mail was carried over this route as early as May 20, 1837 (Albany to Utica) and by June 16, 1843 it was carried over the entire route from Albany to Buffalo.

We also know that route agents rode the trains putting off sacks of mail and picking up mail from stations and people along the way in the usual manner of "way" agents. Some letters were prepaid, but most were "collect at the other end" letters. These route agents used a number of cancels some were applied on the train and/or at the end points, Albany and Syracuse Post Offices. (I will write about these in a later article.) Most of these handstamps were without any specific indication of a particular route or railroad. They were simple variations of the word "Railroad". In addition to these hand stamps the collect letters were also, in many cases, inscribed with the name of the town from which the letter was placed in the mail.

Now comes the perplexing part; as that well known limerick puts it, "who did what-with which-and to whom?" and we can add "when?". Research by John Kay in the usual places has turned up nothing, but he is still looking. Other records also have yielded little except more questions. What we do know has come mostly from folded letters of the period with the cancellations and other markings on the outside.

Mr. Kay did find some parallel information about the Boston and New York Express Mail route and the Boston to Albany Mail route that may have some implications for the Albany to Buffalo U. S. Express Mail. This information is

as follows:

1. The Boston to New York Express Mail route was established July 21, 1842.

2. This route was under contract with Harden & Co.

3. On February 1, 1844, Post Office Department agents replaced the Harden & Co. employees.

4. The Boston and New York Express Mail via Long Island Sound was discontinued August 1, 1861 and became the Boston and New York (via Springfield) route.

5. The Boston to Albany route was established February 21, 1842.

6. This route was under contract with Harden & Co. also.

7. August 21, 1843 saw the Post Office take over the route and operate it with route agents until it became an R.P.O. on August 13, 1868.

8. Pomeroy & Co. (also successors) operated the Buffalo to Albany route with their private messengers carrying privately consigned mail and parcels.

Looking at these bits of information, we can now ask some questions about the Express Mail route across New York. When did it start? Certainly not before June 1843. Was it run by the Post Office Department from the beginning, or did an outside express company such as Harden or Pomeroy operate it? For how long? Why did this service end in 1847? Also, there is no information as to what followed it.

From the letters we have we can conclude the following information. The service started 1843 (August 9, 1843 earliest date I have seen - type 4) and mail was cancelled en route. Further, mail was picked up and sorted en route; then put off at the proper station. (A letter from Herkimer to Rome and letters from Little Falls to Cooperstown). The colors used were dark red (early 1843-4), orange red (1844-45), and blue (1846-7).

For many years it was thought that there was only one type of this marking (Towle 114-0-1). In working with Charlie Towle we felt there should be at least one more type, perhaps more. To date we have come up with three more types, all easily identified. Figures 1 through 4 illustrate these types. Blue markings are much scarcer than the red ones; as yet we have not seen types 2 and 3 in blue.

Much more is to be learned about these markings and this route. If you have anything to add, please write to me and I will pass it on.

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# U.S. EXPRESS MAIL

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**Right: Figure 1.**  
Type 1 Towle 114-0-1  
Diameter 30mm  
Red & Blue  
All letters normally spaced exc. 'PR' in  
"EXPRESS" close



114-0-1



114-0-2

**Left: Figure 2**  
Type 2 Towle 114-0-2  
Diameter 30mm  
Red  
All letters normally spaced

**Right: Figure 3**  
Type 3 Towle 114-0-3  
Diameter 30mm  
Red, auxilliary markings in red  
'PRES' of "EXPRESS" widely spaced



**Left: Figure 4**  
Type 4 Towle 114-0-4  
Diameter 31mm  
Red and blue  
'EX' closely spaced  
Rectangle 5mm above the second  
'E' in "EXPRESS" sized 5.5mm x  
9.5mm

## KENNEDY FIRST DAY CANCELLATIONS

BY HENRY B. SCHEUER

Postal history, cancellation studies and census-taking projects of known cancellations are most frequently made of scarce, elusive and certainly older philatelic material. The 5-cent John F. Kennedy stamp of 1964 has provided this collector with quite a lot of fun, attempting to track down as many city and town cancels, each bearing the day and year cancel of the first day of issue of the stamp: May 29, 1964.

This 1964 U.S. commemorative stamp was released nationwide simultaneously on May 29, 1964, with the "First Day of Issue" slogan cancellation available only in Boston. Throughout the country, collectors were able to purchase the stamp and obtain May 29 postmarks from as many cities as they wished. Several collectors prepared covers in quantity with the intent of building a trading inventory to trade with others.

In New York State, covers are known canceled from 293 different towns, cities and stations. See chart below for a list of these cancels.

This collector has often wondered if there was any pattern to the geographical distribution of these town cancels. Many counties, particularly in less populated areas of the state are

not represented. Quite expectedly, concentration of covers are known canceled from the larger cities and its immediate environs, throughout the state. A disproportionately large number are recorded from Erie county. Similarly, Long Island is well represented, with Suffolk at 75 and Nassau at 23. Town cancels from the Adirondacks are almost unknown, or at least not recorded as of this date.

This collector has been amassing such covers from throughout the country for almost a decade. Undoubtedly many, many more such covers exist. Quite unfortunately these covers are worth only pennies and are being or have been discarded. In addition to collector inspired covers, incoming commercial mail has been a source for uncovering more material.

There is lots of work remaining in this project. Please contact Mr. Scheuer with additional information and, when possible, photocopies of covers you know to exist from cities not listed here.

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## WHY YOU SHOULD BE AT CINCOPEX

BY MARTIN AND DAVID MARGULIS

David and I feel that the ESPHS should have closer relationships with the major New York State philatelic organizations and philatelic exhibits. This was one of the reasons that I was ready to agree to meet at Sidney this year and at Rome next year. That, together with a quiet meeting would have been enough.

However, this is not how things worked out. The subject matter of the Sidney meeting could have serious repercussions for the Society. We must discuss a new way of budgeting and also the duties of the club's principal officers. These matters will also be discussed at the Directors Meeting which will be held hours before the regular meeting.

Perhaps what is to be discussed are different views of what ESPHS can or should be. What are we willing to pay and/or do to make a vital and active state-wide organization? I don't propose any large outlays of money by that statement, but it does cost a little something to get people to know about us and what we do.

Should the club help to subsidize regional meetings?

Should some of the officers be reimbursed for expenses incurred by attending these meetings? There is provision for these things in the club's constitution.

Should we continue to have a *Bulletin* which wins medals or is saving money a paramount consideration? Should we go for the Silver? Who is to decide: the editors, the Directors, the Treasurer? And can an expedient decision be made? What about a flexible budget for the Publications Committee, where the Committee can decide during the year how to allocate the moneys budgeted? You can't respond to changes and opportunities without flexibility re finances. It is not usually possible to foresee all the possibilities which may arise during a year although it is obvious that there must be a known set of priorities.

Plan to attend the Sidney meeting. The matters to be discussed are of concern to you and the Society. With goodwill on all sides we feel that everything can be settled amicably. But if you're not there, your views will not be included in the settlement.

## KENNEDY FIRST DAY CANCELLATIONS

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County	No. POs	Post Offices Issuing First Day Covers
Albany	4	Albany, Capitol Station-Albany, Latham, Watervliet
Bronx	2	Bronx, West Farms Station-Bronx
Broome	10	Binghamton, Deposit, Endicott, Endwell, Harpursville, Johnson City, Maine, Occanum, Vestel, Windsor
Cattaraugus	2	Conewago Valley, Salamanca
Chautauqua	16	Bemus Point, Brocton, Clymer, Dewittville, Dunkirk, Fredonia, Greenhurst, Jamestown, Kennedy, Maple Springs, Mayville, Portland, Ripley, Sheridan, Sherman, Westfield
Chemung	1	Elmira
Chenango	5	Bainbridge, Mount Upton, New Berlin, South New Berlin, Holmesville
Delaware	3	Delhi, Sydney, Walton
Dutchess	3	Hyde Park, Poughkeepsie, Staatsburg
Erie	31	Alden, Angola, Athol Springs, Blasdell, Boston, Bowmansville, Buffalo, Burt, Cheektowaga, Clarence, Clarence Center, Corfu, Crittenden, Depew, Derby, East Amherst, East Aurora, Forestville, Getzville, Hamburg, Lackawanna, Lake View, Lancaster, Market Station-Buffalo, North Boston, North Collins, Orchard Park, Station F-Buffalo, Station G-Buffalo, Tonawanda, Town Line
Essex	1	Elizabethtown
Greene	1	Maplecrest
Jefferson	1	Watertown
Kings	1	Brooklyn, Bushwick Station-Brooklyn, Ridgewood Station-Brooklyn, Williamsburg Station-Brooklyn
Lewis	1	Port Leyden
Monroe	8	East Rochester, Fairport, Penfield, Pittsford, Rochester, Webster, West Webster Branch-Webster, West Webster Rural Station-Webster
Nassau	23	Carle Place, Cedarhurst, East Rockaway, Elmont, Floral Park, Franklin Square, Freeport, Garden City, Hempstead, Hicksville, Jericho, Laurel, Levittown, Lynbrook, Malverne, Massapequa, Mineola, New Hyde Park, Port Washington, Rockville Center, Syosset, Valley Stream, Westbury
New York	9	Bowling Green Station-New York, Church Street Station-New York, Cooper Station-New York, General Post Office-New York, Grand Central Station-New York, Grand Central Transfer Office-New York, New York, Radio City Station-New York, United Nations
Niagara	12	Gasport, Lewiston, Lockport, Middleport, Newfane, Niagara Falls, North Tonawanda, Olcott, Ransomville, Sanborn, Swormville, Wilson
Oneida	6	Boonville, New Hartford, Rome, Utica, Verona, Washington Mills
Onondaga	3	Baldwinsville, Solvay, Syracuse

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## KENNEDY FIRST DAY CANCELLATIONS

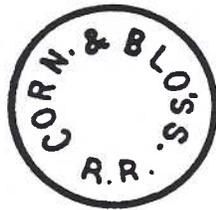
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County	No. POs	Post Offices Issuing First Day Covers
Orange	2	New Windsor Branch-Newburgh, West Point
Oswego	1	Pulaski
Otsego	1	Oneonta
Putnam	1	Pattersonville
Queens	16	Cambria Heights-Jamaica, Central Station-Jamaica, Far Rockaway, Flushing, Forest Hills Sta-Flushing, Jamaica, Jamaica AMF Kennedy, JFK International Airport Sta-Jamaica, Kennedy International AMF-Jamaica, Kew Gardens Station-Jamaica, Long Island City, Queens Village Station-Jamaica, Rosedale Station-Jamaica, Saint Albans Station-Jamaica, Woodside-Queens, World's Fair
Rensselaer	2	Rensselaer, Troy
Richmond	1	Staten Island
Rockland	6	Nanuet, New City, Pearl River, Sparkill, Spring Valley, Tappan
Saint Lawrence	2	Cranberry Lake, Star Lake
Saratoga	4	Ballston Lake, Ballston Spa, Burnt Hills, Saratoga
Schenectady	5	Delanson, Quaker Street, Rotterdam Junction, Schenectady, Scotia
Schoharie	1	Esperence
Schuyler	4	Montour Falls, Reading Center, Tyrone, Watkins Glen
Suffolk	76	Amagansett, Aquebogue, Bay Shore, Bayport, Bellport, Blue Point, Brightwaters, Brookhaven, Calverton, Center Moriches, Centereach, Centerport, Central Islip, Cold Spring Harbor, Commack, Coram, Cutchogue, Deer Park, East Hampton, East Northport, East Quogue, East Setauket, Elwood Station-Huntington, Greenlawn, Greenport, Hampton Bays, Holbrook, Holtsville, Huntington, Huntington Station, Islip, Islip Terrace, Jamesport, Lake Grove, Lindenhurst, Mastic, Mattituck, Medford Station, Middle Island, Miller Place, Montauk, Moriches, Nesconset, New Suffolk, Northport, Oakdale, Patchogue, Peconic, Port Jefferson Station, Quogue, Ridge, Riverhead, Rocky Point, Sag Harbor, Saint James, Sayville, Setauket, Shelter Island, Shelter Island Heights, Shirley, Shoreham, Smithtown, Sound Beach, Southold, Speonk, Stonybrook, Upton, Wading River, Wainscott, Water Mill, West Islip, West Sayville, Westhampton, Westhampton Beach, Yaphank
Sullivan	1	Liberty
Tioga	1	Owego
Ulster	8	Ellenville, Highland, Hurley, Kingston, Marlboro, Port Ewen, Shokan, Woodstock
Warren	1	Glens Falls
Wayne	5	Ontario, Ontario Center, Savannah, Union Hill, Walworth
Westchester	8	Bronxville, Chappaqua, Eastchester Station-Yonkers, Tuckahoe, White Plains, Yonkers
Wyoming	1	Perry

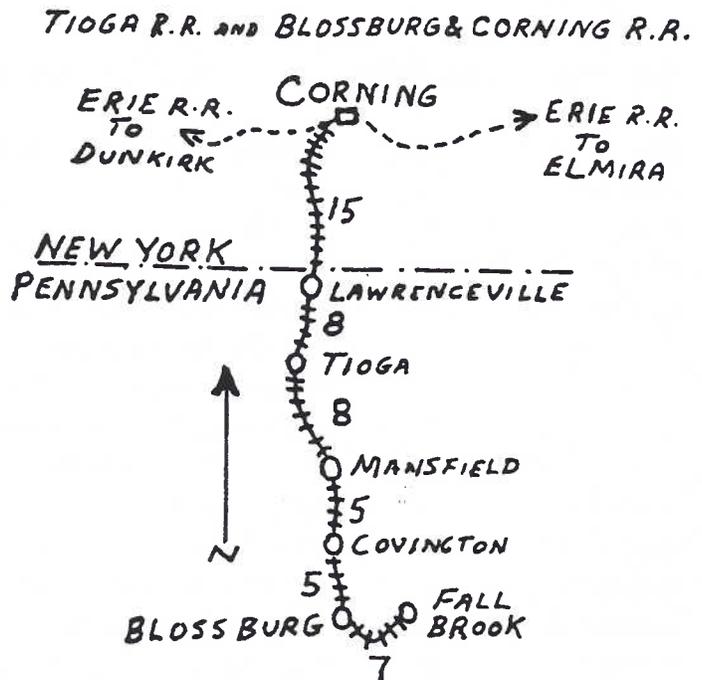
# THE BLOSSBURG & CORNING RAILROAD AND TIOGA RAILROAD

BY CHARLES L. TOWLE

Thanks to the kindness of member Henry T. Keutmann, we are now able to record an earlier route agent marking for this elusive pair of railroads that started business 150 years ago and commenced route agent service in 1852. Although we have names of route agents recorded from 10/28/1852 on, the Corning & Blossburg R.R. postmark shown herewith is earliest recorded. With no date slugs, the letter is fortunately dated by a contained letter dated May 25, 1873, from Lawrenceville, PA to Jasper, NY. Recording data is as follows:



224-F-1; 27, black, 1873, NDS, VII



The location of usable bituminous coal near Blossburg, PA was known to developers from Revolutionary times. In 1833, New York State completed the Chemung Canal from Corning, NY east to Horseheads and then north to Seneca Lake at Watkins. At the north end of Seneca Lake, the Cayuga and Seneca Canal allowed barges to reach the main Erie Canal. The plan was to build a canal south to Blossburg but surveys soon ascertained the grades on the Tioga Creek were prohibitive. So the respective canal companies in New York State and in Pennsylvania were reorganized as railroads in 1833--the Corning & Blossburg R. R. in New York, Corning to State Line at Lawrenceville, PA, 15.6 miles, and the Tioga R. R. in Pennsylvania, from Lawrenceville, to Blossburg, 25.5 miles. The first train was operated Nov. 5, 1839. Apparently each railway had perpetual trackage rights over the other. On Mar. 19, 1854, the New York railroad was reorganized as the Blossburg & Corning R. R. The Fall Brook Coal Co. built a 7 mile line from its mines at Fall Brook to the Tioga R. R. at Blossburg in 1859.

A passenger train ran in each direction as early as 1851, connecting at Blossburg with a stage line to and from Williamsport, PA. Why the railway postal historians have never located a route agent postmark from the 1852-1873 period is a mystery, but it is a fertile field for the cover hunter. Possibly it is because we do not know what form the postmark would take -- Tioga, C&B, B&C or what. In the period following the Civil War the line handled heavy coal traffic. New York State had failed to maintain the Chemung Canal, so a connection was built to the Erie R.R. at Corning, and through coal runs, as many as four a day each way, were

run over the Erie to Coal Point on Seneca Lake, near Watkins, where coal was dumped into barges for distribution to points on the Erie Canal and Hudson River. Branches were built from the main line to the more distant coal fields in Pennsylvania. With better grade coal, and with the growth of the railway systems, the Blossburg & Corning R. R. was acquired by the Fall Brook Coal Co., which in turn became part of the New York Central System in 1899. The Tioga R. R. built a branch from Lawrenceville to Elmira, NY and was in turn then acquired by the New York, Lake Erie & Western R.R., part of the great Erie R. R. system. The 1839 joint use of the tracks, possibly the earliest known example in the U.S. continued throughout all these changes.

The schedule from the *WELLSBORO DEMOCRAT* of Oct. 20, 1869, just before our postmark period, was as follows:

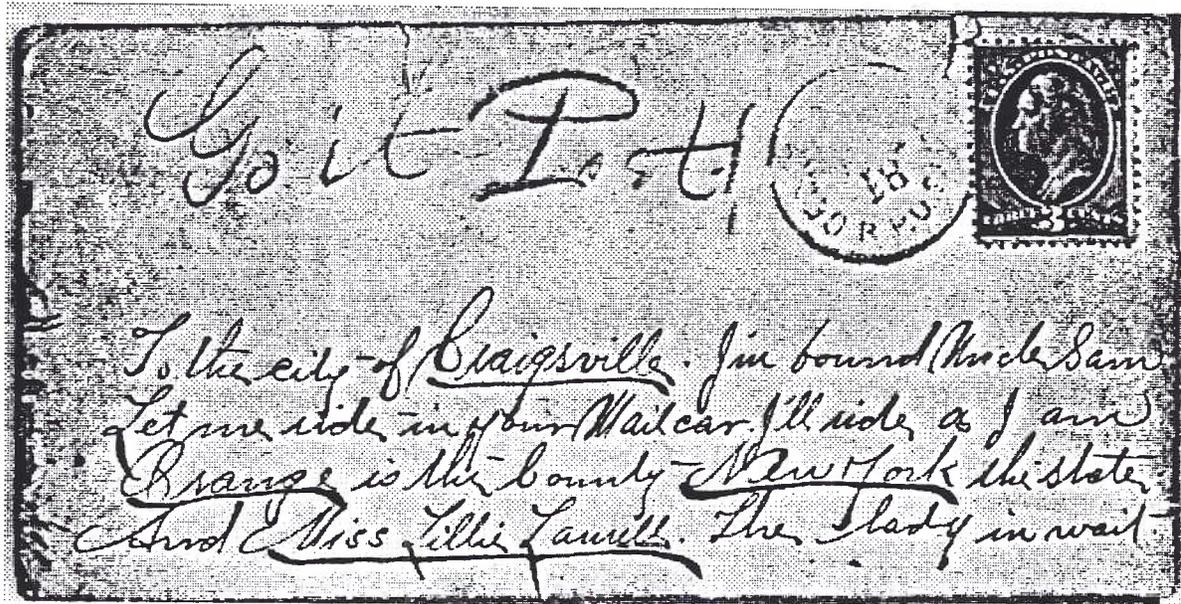
**BLOSSBURG & CORNING AND TIOGA R.R.**  
On and after Monday, May 5th, trains run as follows:  
**MAIL TRAIN, going South - Leaves Corning 8.00; Lawrenceville 9.03; Tioga 9.45; Mansfield 10.22; Covington 10.41 and arrives at Blossburg at 11 and Fall Brook 11.40 a.m.**

**Mail train, going North - Leaves Fall Brook 2.15 p.m.; Blossburg 3.00; Covington 3.20; Mansfield 3.40; Tioga 4.18; Lawrenceville 5.00; and arrives at Corning 6.00 p.m.**

A.H. Gorton, Supt. B. & C.R.R.; L.H. Shattuck, Supt. Tioga R.R.

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GO IT POST  
BY SID FINGERHOOD



Can you picture some bleary-eyed mail key operator keying away on his LSM console at 50 letters\minute at some GMF( a fancy euphemism for a postal sweatshop) and coming across a letter as illustrated. I wonder what must go through the mind for the split second he has to see the address with no zip numbers before he keys it to a separation to be hand worked later in the night. Not much different, I'll wager, than for a railway mail clerk speeding across Iowa on the CED. RAP & C. BLUFFS' R.P.O. back in 1878. I'm sure he took a moment out to show a fellow crew member the curious address before he handstamped the letter and cased it to a N.Y.State box.

Looking at this cover in today's light it seems a typical example of XIX Century naivete, well, perhaps innocence

would be a better word. The boundless trust that such a letter would be handled and delivered and that the "lady in wait" would be impressed by his manner would only cause a smirk on the face of today's youth. This is part of what makes postal history so fascinating; this is a real glimpse into the life of people as they wrote and received their mail. I'd like to end this piece with the way the writer closed out his letter, in a style that is all but forgotten,

"I Remain Ever Yours in Friendship,"  
CLEM

*Craigsville has been served out of Chester since 1944  
(Smith and Kay)*

<sup>1</sup>Cedar Rapids & Council Bluffs

THERE ARE ONLY 98 LOTS IN THIS AUCTION  
ONLY 80 OF THEM ARE FROM NYS

IF YOU LIKE THE AUCTION  
SEND YOUR DUPES AND SPARES TO :  
GEORGE BERNADT, AUCTION MANAGER

HIS ADDRESS IS ON PAGES 2 AND 25

## MORE ON NEW YORK CITY CANCELLATION "FIRSTS"

By ROGER CURRAN

In the article on the above subject in the Winter 1990 *Bulletin* we asked: "Are any 1847 issue stamps known cancelled by the curved 'PAID'?" Such issues are herewith reported.

Lot 28 in the Siegel sale #482 in October 1972 was described as follows: "5c Dark Brown (1) ... tied by Bold Red 'PAID' in open arc on small piece ... scarce cancel on this stamp." The catalog contains a clear photograph of the lot and this writer is confident that it is the New York "PAID." Eight 10c examples cancelled by the curved PAID can also be reported. Does this sound like the result of diligent and extensive research? How about pure luck! First, all of the stamps are on one cover -- a double rate (40c x 2) cover from New York to San Francisco postmarked February 7 (1850). The writer came face-to-face with this spectacular item in an exhibit at World Stamp Expo in November [1990] and realized for the first time how those stamps were cancelled. We believe nine strikes of the red, curved PAID can be counted on the eight stamps. Creighton C. Hart, who has made an extensive study of the 1847 issue stamps, reported the following: "The slightly curved 'PAID' ... typical of the New York [P]ost [O]ffice ... is seen used as a canceler [sic] on a very few '47 stamps".<sup>1</sup>

On another subject, it would probably be useful to briefly expand the discussion in the article of the square grid canceller. Two versions have been reported, one with 13 bars and the other with 11 bars. According to Hart, writing in 1969, only the 13-bar grid is noted on the hundreds of covers which he lists from New York City bearing 1847 issue stamps and the grid was only applied in red.<sup>2</sup> It seems very probable, therefore, that the 11-bar grid was issued after June 30, 1851. As far as the writer knows, the earliest report of a 13-bar grid in black is July 3, 1851.<sup>3</sup> In his 3c 1851-1857 book, Chase noted some overlapping of use of red and black ink colors by New York when applying the square grid. (In this context he didn't differentiate between the 13- and 11-bar grids.) All of this leads to a couple of additional questions to add to those in the first article:

- How late is the 13-bar grid noted?
- How early is the 11-bar grid noted?

Any comments or reports will be welcomed.

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## POSTAL OPERATIONS IN THE UNITED STATES - 1794

PREPARED BY ROBERT J. STETS

This book delivers what its title promises. It lists all the post offices, their postmasters and the amounts of postage collected. It includes a copy of the Post Office Law enacted by Congress on May 8, 1794. Lastly, and perhaps most importantly, it lists the private post offices operating in New York and Pennsylvania.

"The revenue from these private offices was remitted to the contractor, and not to the General Post Office. ... They were however offices at which mail could be received from or dispatched to other post offices operated under the Postmaster General."

The seven "private" post offices in New York State were: Bath, Williamsburg (near Buffalo), Catskill, Chenango, Harperfield, Newtown Point, Oliont and Owego. There are four pages of text in reference to this operation and a map showing the routes.

The list of 1794 post offices is given alphabetically for the country and by state. Among the busiest offices in New York State were: New York City with quarterly postage collected revenues of \$4,635; Albany at \$290; Lansingburg with \$67; Hudson and Whitestown at \$50; Cooperstown at \$33; and Schenectady and Poughkeepsie at \$28. All the rest had less. There were 37 post offices across the state, five of which did not report.

Other post offices with revenues of over \$1,000 were: Philadelphia, \$6,314; Baltimore, \$2,936; Boston, \$2,640; Richmond, \$1,163; and Norfolk at \$1,048. Virginia was the only state to have two post offices with revenues over \$1,000. Vermont had only one post office with revenue of as much as \$25, Windsor.

The post road from Boston to New York City listed no post offices between Stamford, CT and New York, NY. The NYC to Albany run lists the following post office stops going north: Peekskill, Fishkill, Poughkeepsie, Rhinebeck, Redhook, Clermont, Hudson and Kinderhook.

The book, which is soft covered, is nicely bound and covered in plastic. Most of the type is large and readily readable. The copy of the 1794 law is in smaller type but still clear and legible.

Priced at \$7.90, the book is absurdly inexpensive for a work on postal history of this quality. It can be obtained, postpaid from the author at PO Box 142, Walterboro, SC 29488.

Anyone having any interest in this period should buy this book. New York postal historians, who are interested in learning about the private post roads and post offices of our state should snap the book up. Mr. Stets told me at Stampshow '91 that he didn't have many left and once sold out the price will go straight up.

## SOCIETY NEWS

### NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the following New York State postal historians to the ESPHS:

Dale P. Drake	Thomas Greaney
Terence Hines	Bob Iovino
Stafan T. Jaronski	Peter M. Jehrio
Irwin Kaplan	William H. Kleinfelder
Joseph J. Kopczak	Postal History Foundation
Lisa A. Sizeland	Dr. Harvey G. Tilles
Kimber A. Wald	

### MEMBERSHIP APPLICANTS

Curry, James P.  
33 Pullman Ave., Apt.4, Rochester, NY 14615  
Interests: general  
References: philatelic affiliations provided

Davison, Robert W.  
2352 Canal Rd., Camillus, NY 13031  
Interests: NYS PH; FDC's; US & Latin Am stamps  
References: APS

### ADDRESS CHANGES

Please note the following address changes on your roster. Only the new address is shown.

Dennis Mallory	David W. Snow
P.O. Box 14974	11579 SE 60th Ave.
Albany, NY 12212-4974	Milwaukee, OR 97222

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### DUES ARE DUE FOR 1991-1992

I failed to have a dues notice for the current 1991-92 year sent out with the Spring, 1991 *Bulletin*. Mea culpa! This issue does include the notice, and I appeal to all our members to send the current year's dues as soon as possible, as we really need the cash flow to handle current ongoing expenses.

If you have already paid your 1991-92 dues, no dues notice will be enclosed.

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO BY-LAWS RE DUES INCREASE FOR 1992-1993

The Board of Directors of the ESPHS has approved the Treasurer's recommendation that the By-Laws be amended to increase the annual dues of the Society from \$5 to \$10 starting with the 1992-1993 society fiscal year. In accordance with Art. 6 of the Constitution, the By-Laws may be amended at any regular or special meeting of the Society by a two-thirds affirmative vote of the membership casting ballots, provided notice of the proposed change is given at least 30 days prior to such meeting. Members have the privilege of casting ballots for such amendments by mail.

This serves as the 30 day notice, prior to the October 13, 1991 semi-annual meeting of the ESPHS to take place at CINCOPEX in Sidney, NY.

The proposed amendment is to Section 4 of Article 2 of the E.S.P.H.S. By-Laws. The amended section would read:

"Section 4. The annual dues for membership shall be [Five Dollars (\$5.00)] Ten Dollars (\$10.00); applicants filing in the second half of the year shall be charged one-half the annual rate for that year. All dues submitted with an application shall be refunded if the applicant is not accepted as a member."

Members wishing to vote by mail shall mail their ballot, on any paper and in any format, to ESPHS, P.O. Box 5475, Albany, NY 12205 so that the ballot is delivered by October 11, 1991.

Approval of the dues increase is recommended in light of the current costs of operating the Society and of producing and mailing the *Bulletin*. Last year, 1990-1991, saw a net decrease in Society funds of \$796.06. A further decrease is expected for the current 1991-92 year. Whereas in past years, income from interest has enabled the Society to operate in the black, costs have escalated substantially so that an erosion of our financial situation will continue without additional income. The Board also recognizes that the current \$5 per year dues has not changed in 25 years, and is simply not adequate to finance our *Bulletin* and other operations today.

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### LIKE THE AUCTION?

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**TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1990-91**  
**(MAY 1, 1990 - APRIL 30, 1991)**

**Bank Balances on May 1, 1990**

Checking account	810.93
Savings account	4751.93
Certificate of deposit #1	5330.78
Certificate of deposit #2	2135.19
<b>TOTAL FUNDS IN BANK(STARTING)</b>	<b>\$13,028.83</b>

**Expenditures**

**Bulletin (3 issues):**

Printing	804.13
Mailing	418.22
Labels	36.71
Envelopes	17.94
Editor Expenses	627.89
Subtotal	\$1904.89

**Publications:**

Misc. mailing	11.55
Smith-Kay PH	61.20
Postmaster/County Cancels book	675.00
Wayne Co. PH reprint	588.00
Roster Printing	89.50
Computer expenses, Otsego Co. PH	40.00
Subtotal	\$1465.25

**Auctions: 3 sales**

Paid to consignors	2152.20
Auction Manager's expenses	183.07
Subtotal	\$2335.27

**Administration:**

President's expenses	95.69
Secretary-Treasurer expenses	81.53
PO box rental	50.00
Nominating Comm. expenses	18.41
Subtotal	\$ 245.63

**Miscellaneous:**

Meeting expenses	43.56
Refunds	8.00
Awards	105.70
Subtotal	\$ 157.26

**TOTAL EXPENDITURES** **\$ 6108.30**

**Revenues**

Dues 1990-91	1031.00
Dues 1991-92	151.00
Dues 1992-93	15.00
Dues 1993-94	10.00
Dues 1994-95	5.00
New Member fees	31.00
Subtotal	\$ 1243.00

Auction gross receipts \$ 2543.80

**Publications:**

Smith-Kay PH	114.00
Manuscript PO of NYS	19.20
Wayne County PH	368.00
Ontario County PH	27.00
Inventory	3.20
Subtotal	\$ 531.40

**Miscellaneous:**

Uncashed check	1.00
Contribution	5.00
Advertising in Bulletin	81.60
Subtotal	\$ 87.60

**Interest:**

Checking account	68.68
Savings	216.21
Certificate of deposit #1	444.29
Certificate of deposit #2	178.26
Subtotal	\$ 907.44

**TOTAL REVENUE** **\$ 5313.24**

**Bank Balances on May 1, 1991**

Checking	502.11
Savings	3643.14
Certificate of deposit #1	5775.07
Certificate of deposit #2	2313.45
<b>TOTAL FUNDS IN BANK (ENDING)</b>	<b>\$ 12,233.77</b>

**NET DECREASE FOR 1990-91** **(\$ 795.06)**

## AUCTION ACTION

Auction Manager .....GEORGE BERNADT  
1470 Wyoming Ave., Schenectady, N.Y. 12308

Bidders are reminded of the bidding increments for the ESPHS mail auctions. They are:

\$ 0.01 -- \$ 5.00 ... \$0.25 increments  
\$ 5.01 -- \$20.00 ... \$0.50 increments  
\$20.01 -- \$35.00 ... \$1.00 increments  
Over \$35.00 ... \$2.50 increments

Bidders are requested to settle their accounts as soon as possible after notification that they have successfully bid on (a) lot(s).

### NOTICE!!

Please do NOT use post cards for your bids. They frequently take 7 to 10 days to arrive and have resulted in several of you having your bids arrive after the auction is over and the lots have been mailed out!!!!

George J. Bernadt

### PRICES REALIZED SALE #69

1. \$ 5.00	27. \$ 3.00	53. \$57.50	79. \$ 8.50
2. 12.50	28. 8.50	54. 12.50	80. 7.00
3. 9.50	29. 5.50	55. 4.00	81. 2.50
4. 10.50	30. 1.25	56. 5.00	82. 6.50
5. 4.00	31. 8.50	57. NB	83. 1.00
6. 6.00	32. 4.25	58. 4.75	84. 3.00
7. 1.00	33. 6.00	59. 3.00	85. 2.50
8. 17.00	34. 3.25	60. 4.00	86. NB
9. 10.50	35. 9.00	61. 7.50	87. 4.00
10. 5.00	36. 6.00	62. 15.50	88. 5.50
11. 21.00	37. 9.50	63. 2.00	89. 8.00
12. 15.50	38. 7.50	64. NB	90. 32.50
13. 18.00	39. 1.00	65. NB	91. 26.00
14. 2.25	40. 7.00	66. 7.50	92. 2.00
15. 11.00	41. 11.00	67. 5.00	93. 1.25
16. 47.50	42. 5.00	68. NB	94. 7.50
17. 16.00	43. 4.00	69. 1.00	95. 1.50
18. 9.50	44. 4.00	70. 1.25	96. NB
19. 7.00	45. 6.50	71. NB	97. 3.00
20. 15.00	46. 13.00	72. 1.00	98. 15.00
21. 3.00	47. 5.50	73. 7.00	99. 13.00
22. 15.00	48. 3.50	74. 10.00	100. 5.00
23. 3.50	49. 5.50	75. 8.50	
24. 5.00	50. 3.50	76. 37.50	
25. 17.50	51. 10.00	77. 3.50	
26. 6.00	52. NB	78. 1.00	
			Total
			Sale \$841.25

## AUCTION SALE #70

1. 2 stpls covs-Notched-cir(pie plate) of AUBURN,N.Y. msc 37¢ rate(1826)-2nd has blue SYRACUSE/MD/N.Y.in 29m CDS w HS 5-in-cir.(1849) Both F+ FLSs w conts.

2. Scarce OTSEGO CO.item-VF ENV has msc Jno Eddy P.M./Free addr to COOPERSTOWN where hit w 32m COOPERSTOWN CDS & HS PAID.Has cont datelined MILFORD Sept 13th 1855!!! A Gem!!!

3. SCHENECTADY/MD/N.Y.(4m letr) in orange 30m CDS w msc 6 on F+ 1842 FLS.Cont long let signed Alex Fonda.!

4. F,al soiled ENV w NEW 3 YORK/MD in o-r 32m CDS overlapped by PAID/2 MD 2/1853 in o-r CDS,also has 24c Paid in penciled msc & green BOYD'S CITY EXPRESS/POST 2 CENTS(not tied) w msc per Steamer--Reverse has LIVERPOOL bkstp--Cont v long let in cross-hatched writing--Most unusual!!

5. MSC-GRANVILLE NY 183/4 on sl stained FLS w partial letter--NYD

6. MSC-LEROY & 183/4 on F+ sl aged 1836 FLS. Cont long letter.

7. MSC-NORTH EASTON 10 on F al aged FLS Cont long let datelined Easton NYD

8. MSC-NORTHVILLE N.Y. Free J.F.Spier P.M./Northville NY on VF 1840 FLS Has contents.

9. Faint OSWEGON Y in o-r 26m CDS w illegable msc postmark + msc Forwarded & 183/4over 12¢ for 31+total on F sl smeared 1837 FLS. Has contents.

10. MCS-ROSEN.Y. 183/4 over underchg'd 6+ for total of 25 on F+(ffs) 1839 FLS. Cont long letter!

11. MSC-TURNERS 10 on F+(ff) 1845 FLS.Datelined Monroe, Orange Co. 1845

12. MSC-YONKERS NY 8 on VF+ 1813 FLS conts datelined Mount Pleasant on int Military letter!!! A GEM!!!

13. VF #9 tied by partial NEW-YORK/MD CDS to VF(ff) 1855 FLS w printed circular adv.tools.Another GEM!!!

14. 3 marg #11 tied by s-o-n NEW-YORK CDS w AUG 24 entirely on stamp,to VF 1851 FLS.Cont so dated--!!

15. 4 marg #11(ff) tied by NYC CDS w HS Due 5cts on F(ff) FLS.No cont but docketed 1853--Nice!!

16. 4 marg #11 w no right inner frame line w s-o-n WATERFORD,NY CDS of which the MD SEP 29 is centered on stamp,on VF ENV.

17. 3 marg (just into line at bot rt) #11 on VF ENV w s-o-n DEC

# HELP!

It is absolutely imperative that more saleable material is forthcoming if our popular auctions are to continue!!! I am down to fewer than 25 lots (mostly my own) for Sale #70. I know that many of you have suitable covers which do not fit into your collections & which you have intended to send to me for our auction (many of you have told me so) but just never got around to doing it. PLEASE, all of you SEND STUFF NOW!

I would also like to take this opportunity to give my heart felt thanks to those who have cooperated in making our past auctions such a huge success. Thanks again!!

George J. Bernadt  
Your Auction Manager

# AUCTION SALE #70

25(XMAS) in LANCASTER PA CDS--Nice-Nice NICE!!

18. 3 marg #11(just into bot line) w s-o-n JUN27 in balloon CDS of SHELBURNE FALLS MASS W HS FORWARDED partial UTICA, NY cds all on VF embossed Lady's ENV...

19. Almost 4 marg #11(just touches top line) w black grid kil tied by blue BUFFALO,N.Y. CDS to VFLady;s ENV...

20. 2 items-Almost 4 marg #11 tied by s-o-n ROMENY CD w MAY 25 on stamp(same has ff crease) to F+(ffs) 1852 FLS. 2nd has #26 tied by 1859 year dated SYRACUSE,NY CDS.

21. VF #26 tied by s-o-n CDS-TROY N.Y./MD/1858/PAID to VF FLS. An unusually nice strike & cover!!!

22. F lightly pen-canc #24(not tied) on VF NYC drop letter. ENV is F & slightly aged

23. VF lightly canc #26 on VF orange ENV w red INVERNESS/MD/ N.Y. in 32m CDS--A lovely Livingston Co. item!!!

24. Huge 36mm CDS-NEW LEBANON CENTRE,NY ties #26 to VF ENV.!

25. 3 items-PLATTSBURGH N,Y./MD/3PAID CDS ties #26 to ENV; 2nd w PEEKSKILL,NY CDS ties #65 to ENV dock 1863.& 3 FORT SCHUYLER,NY CDS(partial) ties #65.All aged covs..

26. 6 JEFFERSON CO.items-2 w ADAMS CENTRE & Watertown CDS tying #26s to F ENVs; 3 have #65s-RODMAN,CEDAR FALLS & ST LAWRENCE & Last has 3c gr BN w lg blue HENDERSON CDS

27. Fancy(S & E #GE-S27) canc of KINGSTON,PA.s-o-n of #65 on F+ sm ENV dock 1863--Unusual!!!

28. 2 VF ENVs w unusual cork kil--1 has BOSTON TEX CDS & other has TICONDEROGA NY CDS.

29. Vf sl aged Star Die #U19 ENT w NYC CDS & msc Due 3 + cc of METROPOLITAN BANK.Has letterheaded cont 1861...

30. 2 items w #65s 1 has 1861 CDS of MILWAUKIE, Wis.CDS other has faint INDEPENDENCE IOWA CDS- Both have cork kil.

31. F #114 on VF sl aged yellow ENV with CDS of NAPOLEON,ARK. A very scarce Post Office!!!

32. 2 COUNTY items-1-CRAFTS,MDY/Putnam Co. N.Y.(DPO) DLDCDS w lg STAR kil on 2c br BN (stamp torn in opening) 2nd has NEW HAVEN/MDY/OSWEGO CO & ENCIRCLED STAR kil tying 3c gr BN to VF ENV...

33. Sm VF black bordered MOURNING ENV w 3c gr BN tied by bold MALTESE CROSS kil of BROOKLYN,NY--Great!!

34. BN items w nice cork kil (1 2c br w LIBERTY,NY CDS & 2 w 3c grs ELMIRA,NY & POUGHKEEPSIE,NY.Latter has 6 bars shaped in horizontal Oval

35. 5 NYS items w 2c br BNs-MILFORD;ALBANY,NEW YORK,BUFFALO & YONKERS; 3 have ccs All are F-F+ ENVs--A nice lot!!

36. 9 NYS covs w 2c gr BNs.All have ccs(some fancy) Ave to F+ ENVs--ALBANY; ROCHESTER; FULTON; etc.--

37. 8 Covs w 3c gr BNs--2 have ccs & 2 have int cork kil.

38. JACK O LANTERN cork kil ties #220 to F ENV dock 1892 on face --RARE fancy cork killer!!!

39. What appear to be CROSSED FLAGS s-o-n of #279B on somewhat aged pink ENV w ELLICOTTVILLE CDS of 1898

40. ROCHESTER NY CAR COLL.SERVICE/MDtime/C on F+(flap missing) ENV w 2c carmine Type III.

41. 2 items w 2c carmine Type IIIs-1 has VEGA,MD1896/N.Y. in DCDS on VF ENV--2nd has DOREMUS K 2 mach canc w 1901 CDS of PLATTSBURG,NY--A rather interesting lot!!!

42. 2c red Type III w 1896 CDS OF BELCHER,NY(WASH Co.) on VF ENV. Has SALEM CDS & MALTESE CROSS on reverse.Nice!

43. 1c grof 1898 w tarkil & RACEVILLE,NY CDS.F+ENV-WASH Co.

44. 2 items-1 has 5c #281 to England tied by flag canc of AUBURN,NY 2nd has 8c #272 on 2c red ENT Regis cov tied by purple 1901 CDS of BRYN MAWR PA.Both are F ENVs.

45. 10c #183(minor fault) on somewhat aged 1902 Reges cov. Has several violet mkg-vis:2nd NOTICE/FEB4 1902;UNCLAIMED POINTING HAND & SL regis mkg of SIDNEY,NY. +2 diff numbers in blue & 1 in magenta; etc.etc. A REAL DOOZY!!!

46. 3 SULLIVAN CO. items-1-THOMSONVILLE-tying 1898 2c red-2nd SOUTH FALLSBURG w #319 & 3-MOUNTAIN DALE w #319---ADVERTISING COVERS

47. # 26 on Overall gray ADV cov of Mann,Stearns & Bealey/ Stationers./141 Fulton ST./NEW YORK.Tied by NYC CDS.to VF cov(some insect nibbling at top)--Lovely!

48. Overall gray ADV cov of COMPTROLLERS OFFICE w odd looking illust. of STATE OF NEW YORK/ALBANY below. On F sl aged lg ENV w 1c blue BN tied by ELIZABETHTOWN CDS.

49. 3 illus NYC ADV covs-1 has illus of GAS Stove,etc, on blue ENV w 3c BN & neg 12 kil. 2. has 2c #220 w Illus of MEYERS & ANDREWS bldg & 3.has 2c re WASH.Head on blue ENV w illus of THE WORLD BUILDING. A worthwhile lot!

50. 2 ALBANY,NY ADV covs-1 has lg illus of 4 story S.LEVY & BROS/CIGAR MANUF. w 1895 ALBANY,NY mach canc on 2c red. 2nd has multiple illus. of THE 4 HISGEN BROTHERS,etc. w diff (1902) mach canc tying 2c red. Both VF ENVs.

51. 2 ALBANY,NY ADV covs-Each has diff lg illus of pitcher in bowl(1 multi-colored) w lg caption-LANSING BROS,etc., etc. South Pearl St.,Albany,NY.Both have 2c reds of 1898 w diff ALBANY mach canc-An int matched pair!

52. Illus of MAN READING BILLBOARD w COAL CO. ADV. Captioned C.E.MILES & CO.etc. w 2c red tied by 1901 ONEONTA CDS.

53. Illus of MAN & WOMAN bicycling on OLD FASHIONED BIKES on country lane w lg fancy caption-POPEMFG.CO..Has 2c red 1892 Boston CDS on F+ sl aged ENV- Unusual illus.

54. Pair of BUTTERFLYS towing FLOWERED CART w containing TODDLER & RIBBON w slogan NOT HOW CHEAP/BUT/HOW GOOD etc. Has CHICAGO 1897 Flag canc tying 1c blue to sl aged cov.

55. Huge fancy cc of RICHMOND/HARDWARE CO.,etc. w 2c red tied by '99 BARRY mach canc of Richmond Va.

56. Lg Multi-colored illus of BARREL & cap.-KEEP YOU/(lg illus of an EYE)ON THE /GRANITE FLOUR.Has 2c red tied by faint WEST SHOKAN,NY CDS-on VF ENV--STRIKING!!!

57. 2 items w #300- 1 (lg cov.) has illus of TRIBUNE Bldg in NYC-other has fancy ADV of OLIVER DITSON/CO.etc. The MUSICIAN of Boston.Both somewhat worn ENVs.1 w conts.

58. Neat,pale blue ENV w lg red cc of CEDARSAFE CO./Hudson ST/ NY & 1908 CDS of Trenton,NJ tying #319.Has illustrated contents w return addr. ENV End ADV Covs.

59. Lg CDS-STONE ARABIA/MD/PM/1906/N.Y.& 4 BAR kil w 2 in cent. on 2c red sl soiled #U385 ENTIRE.

60. Lg bi-colored LOGO cc of BPCo ,etc. on F+sl aged ENV w ONE CENT Frank Head IMPERF.tied by 1911 NYC mach canc.

61. #682 on sl soiled addr FDC w APRIL 8,1930/First Day of Issue of the Massachusetts Bay Colony Stamp across ENV in blue

62. Block of 6 of #703(YORKTOWN) on sl aged addr'd FDC w YORKTOWN,VA CDS--uncached.

## AUCTION SALE #70

63 Beautiful multi-colored cachet on FDC #C25a(full pane w selvage). VF cov & booklet pane. addr.

64. ARTCRAFT cachet on FDC of #C39a- VF cov & full booklet pane w selvage.addr'd.

65. Multicolored cachet(10 diff flags) on FDC of #1351-Addr'd.

66 #490 oddity-2 adjoining halves of same to make 1c rate on lg piece w UTICA, NY CDS.Nicely mounted and written up.

67. 2 SYRACUSE items-1 has 2c Wash Head col of tied by 1916 mach canc of SYRACUSE,has cc of FRANKLIN/MOTOR CARS(LOGO) etc.-VF-2nd is stpls w blue SYRACUSE/MD/N.Y & HS PAID & 10-n-circle on VF ENV

68. FREPT & CENT/MD/R.P.O. in blue CDS w cork kil on F+ #UX3 PC.

69. 2 items-RACEVILLE/NOV 8 1882,,NEW YORK. in DLDS w serrated rim on F+ #UX7 PC-2nd is 3c gr ENT mac LEDYARD,NY ...

70. Unused addr'd #UX7 PC...

71.STAR-in-CIR kil & CONEY ISLAND NY 1888 CDS on #UX9. Also has K/8-23-'88/11 A/N.Y. BROOKLYN NY CDSs on face..Nice

72. 3 items-All are reply «s (PR4) of #UY7 showing 1st Day of PO station 1-ONEONTA N.Y./WEST END BR-other CANAL ST. STA. N.Y.-Both 1939--3rd has cashet for 1st Day of MOUNT MORRIS TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL 1938--All are F+..

73. 5 items-1.#UX5 w FERRONA/MDY/N.Y. in purple DLDS;2.MSC ITALY HOLLOW NY w 3c gr BN.3 has #219 w 1890 PERRY N.Y. CDS & ADV matter all over reverse.-4. is PPC w HOOSICK,NY CDS & 5.is unused 2c gr ENT w overall illus of THE ICEBERG harrow

74. 2 QUEENS CO.items + 1 NASSAU CO.latter is PPC w ONE CENT Frank Head tied by OLD WESTBURY CDS(corner miss). Anther PPC w

#300 tied by AVERNE CDS(F+) & 3rd is #UX18 w WOODSIDE CDS.

75. ONEONTA,NY PPC picturing D&H RR Station. Has #300 tied by FLAG canc(1908) of COOPERSTOWN-F+--1

76. 2 R.F.D. items-1 LIMERICK,NY w #300 on F+PPC. Other is FORESTVILLE,NY on PPC(crease) w ONE CENT Frank Head--.

77. R.F.D of WEST VIENNA,NY on VF 1908 PPC--.

78. 3 items-1-1843 "courtesy" FLS from LITTLE FALLS to COOPERSTOWN- 2 is PPC w #300 tied by magenta ASSEMBLY PARK,NY CDS. 3.is VF al soiled ENV w 2c carmine tied by 1893 NYC mach canc. Has cc-The Franco-Am Patent Can Opening Co.etc.

79. 15 Airmail 6c UC2 ENTs incl 1 re-valued to 5c. All have 1945 A.P.O.s--Fine to Very Fine.

80. 15 misc covs.1890-1920-most have ccs. mostly w 2c red of 1890s.

81. 50 covers in varying cond. An int lot coils,early commemms, spec dela,prexies,entires etc.etc. GRAB BAG!!!

82. 3 items-1 has 2c red tied by '97 BUFFALO mach canc(BARRY)-on VF ENV.2 is PO Dept OFFICIAL BUS.card 2c #J81.3 is 1942 Censored ENV w both Ital.& NAZI Censor Mkgs & pr Ital stps.

83. ADV cov w illus of HOTEL POMEROY,BARBADOS,W.I. 1d BARBADO stamp tied by 1921 CDS of that place. VF & unusual item!!

84. SCARCE item-25 centime FRENCH OFFICES IN CHINA stamp tied by PEKIN,CHINA CDS to F+(flap miss) forwarded ENV--!!!

85. 8 modern WEST GERMAN covs-1 is FDC another is special HANNOVER FAIR cacheted card w Special Canc.etc,etc..

86. GERMAN EMPIRE 5pf REICHSPPOST stamp overprinted China tied to VF Japanese PPC by SHANGHAI CDS.Also has GER.MILITARY HS.!!!

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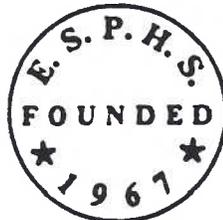
**AUCTION SALE #70**

87. JAPANESE stamp tied by bold 1894 YOKOHAMA JAPAN CDS to lovely hand illus ENV to BOSTON. Has several bkstps!!!
88. JAPAN Sc#86(2)hi cat on al aged env tied by JAPANESE CDSs to U.S. have never seen even 1 on cov. A real dandy!!!
89. JAPAN #109 on typical rice paper VF ENV-Early JAP commems on cov are extremely hard to find!!!
90. Another JAPAN commemm #148 w beautiful purple 1st Day spec canc on VF colorful PPC..V.V.NICE indeed!!!
91. HAITI 1942 Censored Airmail cov-w #C3 neatly tied to VF ENV
92. SARDINIA Sc #12 tied to somewhat aged FLS-Cagliari to Oristano 1860. Just before Sardinia became Italy...
93. #1 of NETHERLANDS INDIES on confusing FLS w 1865 SOERAKARTA red CDS- Stamp has 3 marg ++Cats over \$100 off cover!!!
94. PALESTINE overpinte-#s37,38 & 42 on F+ sm ENV w JERUSALEM CDS-To U.S.--1925--
95. ST KITT & NEVIS VF #18 on 1916 VF sm Registered Cov tied by NEVIS CDS & properly backstamped--!!!
96. ROMAN STATES(pre Vatican) #6 neatly tied to VF 1861 FLS.w s/ 1 HS-VIA/DI MARE/(E) + many other HS & msc mks.NICE!!!
97. V.unusual combination use--SOUTH AFRICA #1 + TRANSVAAL #273 on VF Regis ENV..Has many HSs in several diff colors..!!
98. TRINIDAD #79 tied by 1896 PORT-OF-SPAIN CDS w cc & msc p S.S.Grenada- To NYC VF...

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