

THE TRANSPORTS



The United States Transport Airmail Issue of 1941-1944



The United States Transport Airmail Issue of 1941-1944 saw its heaviest usage during the World War II period, with the 6¢ Military Mail playing a large role in the history of this issue. Stocks of these stamps were available for purchase at post offices through the mid-1950s.

President Roosevelt signed a law on December 13, 1941, allowing for a “concessionary” rate of 6c per ½oz. for mail to and from service personnel serving overseas. The rate came into force December 25, 1941. This rate was extended to civilian contractors and Allied forces serving alongside American forces. Mail had to be handled by a Military Post Office unit within an Army Post Office (APO), Fleet Post Office (FPO), or Allied Forces Unit (usually Canadian or British) connected to an APO/FPO to be eligible for this rate.

International airmail rates were complex during this period. Rate confusion was solved when “Uniform” international airmail rates were introduced on November 1, 1946. This exhibit illustrates rates and usages of the 1941-1944 Transport Airmail Issue between 1941 and 1957.

*The Air Mail Stamp of 1941
6¢ Twin-Motored Transport Plane
(Scott #C25)*

First Day of Issue: June 25, 1941

4,746,527,700 Issued

Rotary Press - Perf 11 x 10½ - 200 Subject ElectricEye Plates

The 6¢ paid the domestic air mail rate in effect from 1934 into early 1944, and again from 1949 until mid 1958. This rate was applicable to air mail to Canada during the first period, and Canada and Mexico during the second. It was also the military air mail rate to and from U.S. Armed Forces personnel stationed outside the continental United States from Christmas of 1941 until late 1946.

The six-cent military concession air mail rate was extended to contractors and civilian employees using Army or Navy post offices from late 1942 until late 1946. A special six-cent air mail rate was allowed for letters sent to prisoners of war and the like held in foreign countries from early 1944 until late 1946 as well.

Several six-cent combination rates were also possible during the period. These include combination of air mail in the US and surface mail to PUAS countries or to or from Hawaii, and post cards to UPU countries with air mail service in the US only.



"6¢ Rate"

6¢ (1/2 oz.) Military Contractor Air Mail Rate
November 23, 1942 through September 30, 1946.

6¢ Twin-Motored Transport Plane (Sc #C25)
Solo Usage

The special six-cent air mail rate granted to members of the U.S. Armed Forces serving outside the continental United States was extended to contractors and civilian employees of the military, effective from November 23, 1942 through September 30, 1946. The rate was effective only if the civilian indicated the APO number in their return address.

Contract Fleet Post Office Box M was located in Madras, India.
The sender was an Engineer with Standard Oil in India.

*George B. Settar
Contract No. 3680
Navy Number 116
40 Fleet Post Office - New York
Box M*



**VIA AIR MAIL
CORREO AEREO**

*MR. J. S. PHILLIPS
QUARRYVILLE, PENNA.*

**PAR
AVION**

**U. S. NAVY POSTAL SERVICE
F. P. O. NEW YORK - BOX M
(MADRAS, INDIA)
JUN 9 1943
TO
QUARRYVILLE, PA.**

The stamp is tied by a military-issue, machine cancel as follows:

IEFIELD POSTAL SUPPLY CO., cancellation

DIAL TYPE: MILITARY KILLER TYPE: 4

Dial Diameter: 22mm Killer Type: 7 Wavy Lines

Type Size: 2mm Wave Up/Down: Down

Dial Variety: Navy Killer OAL: 52mm

Gap to Killer: 5mm Killer Variety: ---

Slogan: ---

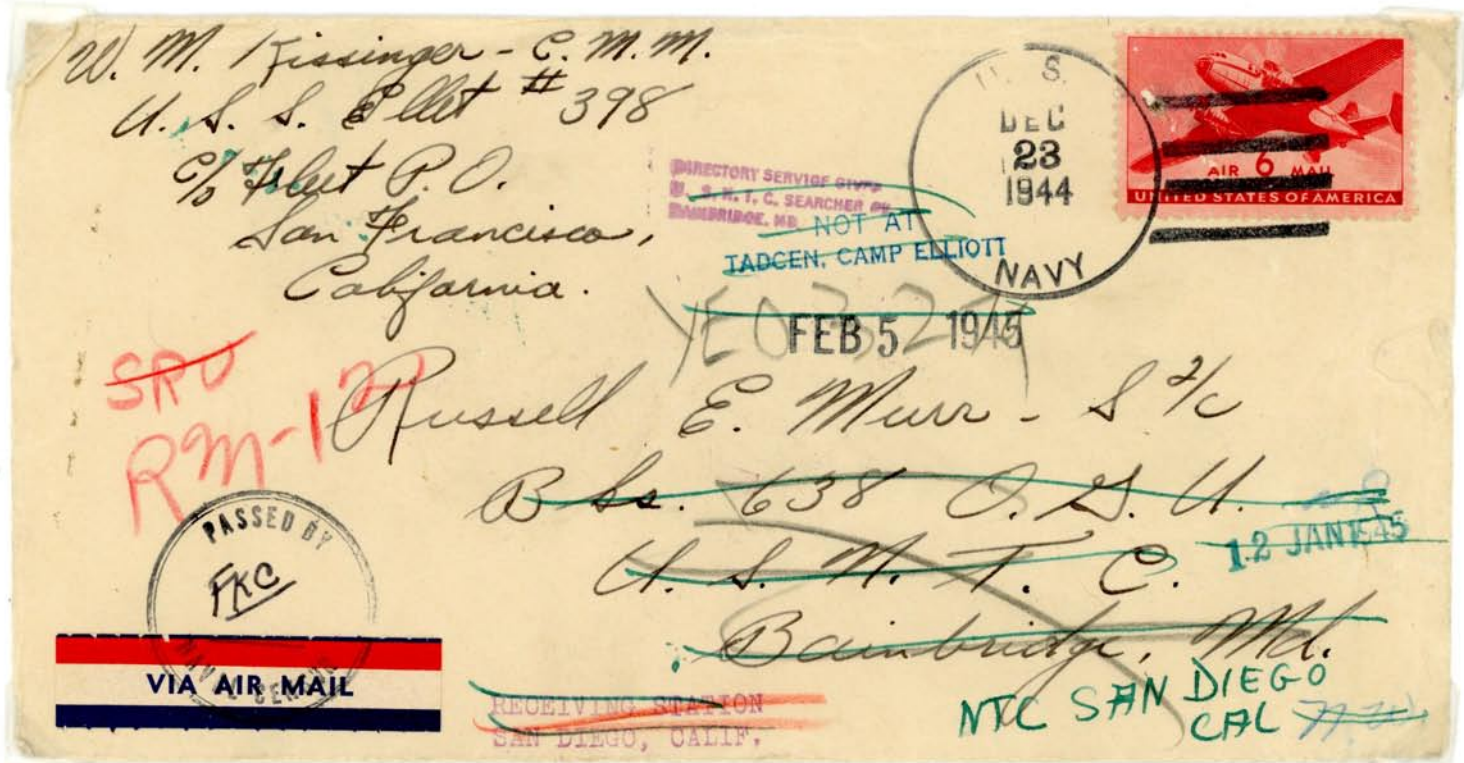
Cancel Size: 22mm x 79mm (7/8" H x 3-1/4" L)

6¢ Rate*

6¢ Military (1 oz.) Air Mail Letter Rate.
*December 25, 1941, through September 30, 1946

6¢ Transport Issue (Sc# C25)

This cover demonstrates a solo usage of a transport issue to pay the
(1 oz.) Air Mail Letter Rate granted to members of the U.S. Armed
Forces serving outside the continental United States.



U. S. NAVY
(USS ELLET DD-398)
DEC 23 1944
TO

U.S.N.T.C. (U.S. NAVAL TRAINING CENTER)
BAINBRIDGE, MD.

--> FORWARDED TO: --> U.S.N.T.C. TADGEN, CAMP ELLIOTT (San Diego, Ca)
--> FORWARDED TO: --> RECEIVING STATION, SAN DIEGO, CA
--> FORWARDED TO: --> N.T.C., SAN DIEGO, CA.

The stamp on cover are cancelled by a duplex 33mm circular date stamp with four concave 20mm bars and double circle "PASSED BY NAVAL CENSOR" marking.

The cover was received at four (4) different Naval Training Centers -- three (3) in San Diego alone -- until finally finding the addressee!

6¢ Rate*

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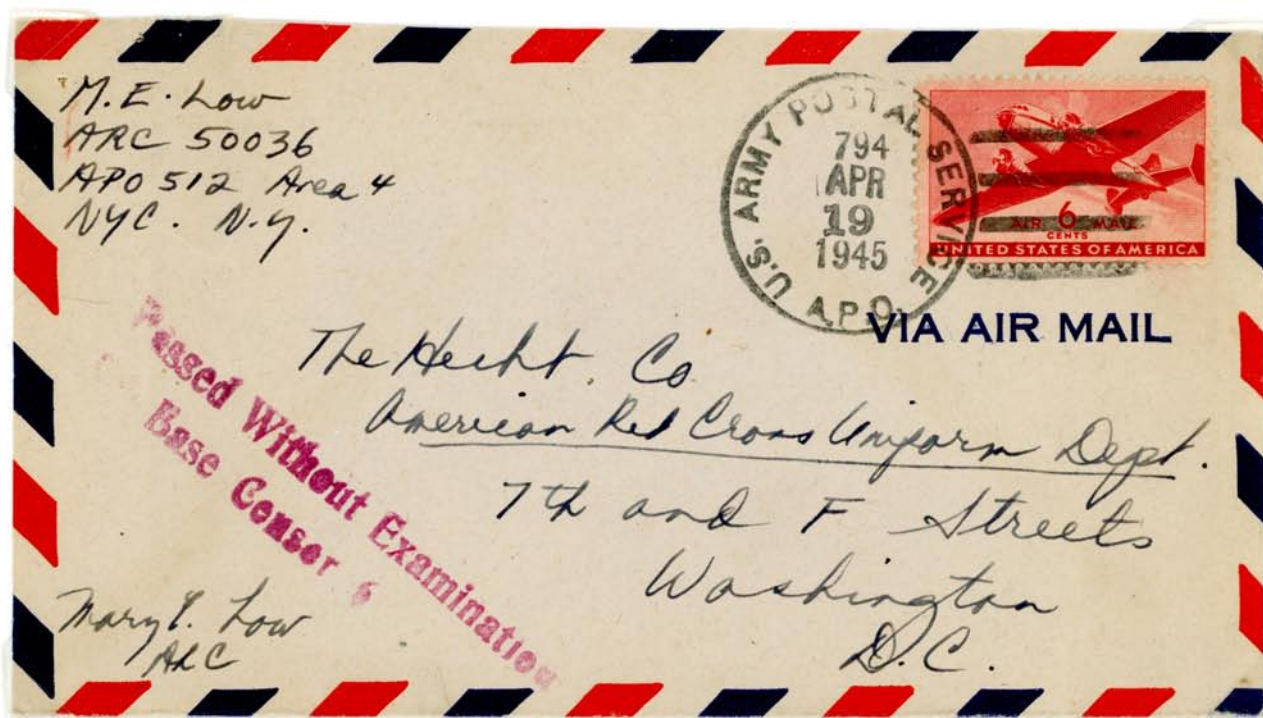
6¢ Military (1 oz.) Air Mail Letter Rate.

\*December 25, 1941, through September 30, 1946

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6¢ Transport Booklet Issue (Sc# C25)

This cover demonstrates a solo usage of a transport issue to pay the
(1 oz.) Air Mail Letter Rate granted to members of the U.S. Armed
Forces serving outside the continental United States.



U. S. ARMY POSTAL SERVICE

Return Address:

(ARC 50036 - American Red Cross) APO 512 (Caserta, Italy)

(MAILING ADDRESS)

U.S. ARMY POSTAL SERVICE A.P.O. 794

(ROME, Italy) DISTANCE (126++ MILES)

APR 19 1945

WASHINGTON, D.C.

The stamp on cover are cancelled by a duplex 33mm circular date stamp with four concave 20mm bars and is stamped "PASSED WITHOUT EXAMINATION - BASE CENSOR" ; cover signed by the sender.

"6¢ Rate"

U.S. PRISONER-OF-WAR MAIL

6¢ (1 oz.) Military Post Office Air Mail Rate.

December 25, 1941, through September 30, 1946.

6¢ Transport Issue (Sc# C25)

Solo Usage

A cover demonstrating a solo usage paying the one-ounce (1 oz.) Military Post Office (M.P.O.) Air Mail Letter Rate to STALAG IV-B.



Jerome Sikorski was a Private in the Army during World War II. Jerome resided in St Louis City, Mo., before enlisting on February 2, 1943. At the time of enlistment, he was 21, had 2 years of high school education and was single, without dependents. One year later, Jerome was captured by Nazi Germany while serving in France, and was sent to Stalag 4A near Hohnstein, Germany where 284 other American POWs were held. Jerome's capture was first reported to the International Committee of the Red Cross on June 22, 1944, and the last report was made on July 11, 1945. Based on these two reports, Jerome was imprisoned for at least 384 days.



Stalag IV-B was one of the largest prisoner-of-war camps in Germany during World War II. Stalag is an abbreviation of the German Stammlager ("Main Camp"). It was located 8 km (5.0 mi) north-east of the town of Mühlberg in the prussian Province of Saxony, just east of the Elbe river and about 30 mi (48 km) north of Dresden. The Red Army liberated the camp on 23 April 1945.

COVER ADDRESSED AS FOLLOWS:

GEFANGENENRUNMER 81-930 = PRISONER 81-930
LARGER-BEZEICHNUNG - LARGER IDENTIFICATION
M-STAMMLAGER IV B. = M-STALAG IV B.
DEUTSCHLAND ALLEMAGNE = ALLEMAGNE, GERMANY

SAINT LOUIS 16, MO.

NOV 27 7³⁰ PM 1944

TO

M-STALAG IV-B, ALLEMAGNE, GERMANY

The stamp is tied by a machine cancel as follows:

INTERNATIONAL POSTAL SUPPLY CO. cancellation

DIAL TYPE: D **KILLER TYPE:** SLOGAN

Dial Diameter: 21mm Killer Type: Slogan

Size: 3mm Wave Up/Down: ---

Dial Variety: 16:R Killer OAL: 50mm

Gap to Killer: 10mm Killer Variety: Luff #121

Slogan: ADDRESS YOUR MAIL TO STREET AND NUMBER

Cancel Size: 21mm x 82mm (7/8" H x 3-1/4" L)

"16¢ Rate"

6¢ (1 oz.) Domestic Air Mail Letter Rate*, plus

**July 1, 1934 until March 25, 1944*

10¢ Special Delivery Fee = 16¢**

***July 1, 1928, through October 31, 1944*

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**6¢ Twin-Motored Transport Plane(Sc# C25), plus**

**10¢ Motorcycle Messenger (Sc# E15)**

**Combination Usage**

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This consumer-to-government cover demonstrates a combination combination usage for a single-weight, one ounce Domestic air mail letter rate cover with Special Delivery Service request.



NEW YORK, N. Y.
G.P.O. (GENERAL POST OFFICE)
AUG 12 6 P.M. 1941
WASHINGTON, D. C.

The stamps are cancelled 28mm standard Type-C steel 14 lines Barrell grid killer with the station designator in the center.

The cover was backstamped by a similar 28mm standard style C steel eight-line Barrel grid biller with the station name designator omitted from the center and substituted by 3-characters "DEL" or "DELIVERED"; again, the year date sits outside the cds and the Killer.

"30¢ Rate"

**30¢ (½ oz.) International Air Mail, Letter Rate,*
Netherlands**

**April 28, 1939 until October 31, 1946*

**6¢ Transport Issue (Sc# C25 x 5)
Combination Usage**

This cover demonstrates combination usage for the half-ounce (½ oz.) single-weight European Air Mail letter rate to the former village in South Holland (Netherlands). It's now a part of Rotterdam.



SANTA BARBARA, CALIF.

AUG 19, 8³⁰PM 1941

TO

SCHIEBROEK, HOLLAND (NETHERLANDS)

The stamps are tied to this cover by a Hand Roller Cancelling device manufactured by "Heinrich H. Klussendorf Company of Berlin-Spandau."

This device used at Santa Barbara was a non-repeater. Most others just roll merrily over a package or letter, and just repeat what is on the roller until it runs out of ink. The operator rolls it over the inkpads, and then rolls it over the mail; this unit was self-inking.

Its use was purchased in 1929 by the postmaster of Santa Barbara and was approved for use by the P.O. Department in 1929; the earliest use is 1930. The last known use was in 1948. It was tested in Washington, D.C. in 1929; examples are known of this test. This cancellation was ONLY used in the USA at Santa Barbara, Calif!



The cover was opened, censored and re-sealed by the Wehrmacht (Gestapo) in Frankfurt, Germany, re-sealed with a 40mm H x 180mm L white sealing tape and stamped with the red 33mm circular "OBERKOMMANDO DER WEHRMACHT" or "HIGH COMMAND OF THE WEHRMACHT" handstamp. The colors known in red, violet or black.

"30¢ Rate"

30¢ (½ oz.) International Air Mail, Letter Rate*

**April 28, 1939 until October 31, 1946*

6¢ Transport Issue (Sc# C25 x 5)

Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates combination usage for the half-ounce (½ oz.) single-weight European Air Mail letter rate to England.



A.P.O. 960 SAN FRANCISCO

(Military Post Office: Hilo, Hawaii, Territory of Hawaii)

NOV 26 1943

TO

NOTTINGHAM, ENGLAND

Initially underpaid and "Returned-to-Sender for Additional Postage Due 24 cents," the stamps are tied to the cover by a black 31mm "U.S. ARMY POSTAL SERVICE A.P.O." duplex circular date stamp with four concave bar killers 24mm L x 1mm T spaced 4mm apart. The cover was initially censored by "U.S. ARMY EXAMINER O7661."

The cover was re-censored by the same U.S. ARMY EXAMINER when the letter was re-mailed and the first censor marking was obliterated using a 34mm W x 25mm H blind killer.

"6¢ Rate"

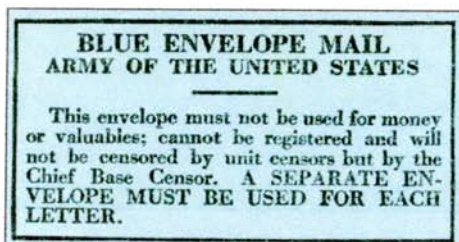
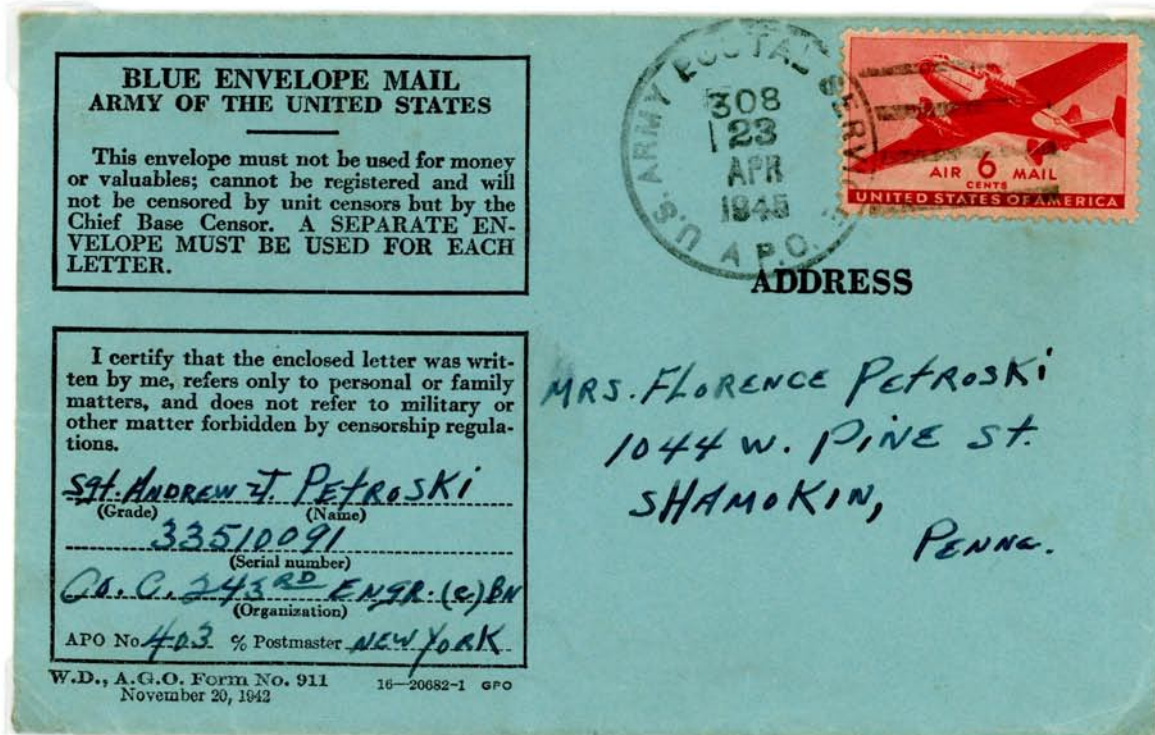
6¢ (1 oz.) Military Post Office Air Mail Rate

December 25, 1941, through September 30, 1946.

6¢ Twin-Motored Transport Plane (Sc #C25)

Solo Usage

A cover demonstrating a solo usage paying the one-ounce (1 oz.), single-weight, Military Post Office (M.P.O.) Air Mail Letter Rate.



"BLUE ENVELOPE MAIL"

Extract from page 3

War Department Pamphlet No. 21-1
29 July 1943

"Enlisted men who wish to write of private or family matters and who feel that censorship of a specific letter by their unit censor would cause embarrassment may be authorized to use a blue envelope which will allow censorship action to be taken by the base censor rather than the unit censor. Blue envelopes should be obtained from your organization and must be addressed to the final intended recipient. Only one letter may be placed in each envelope and the envelope should be sealed prior to mailing. Censorship regulations apply to blue envelopes as well as to all other communications."

**U. S. ARMY POSTAL SERVICE A. P. O. 308
(POSSNECK, GERMANY)**

23 APR 1945

TO

SHAMOKIN, PA.

The stamp is tied by a standard military-issue, 33mm duplex circular date stamp with four concave bars 1mm W x 22mm L.

APO 308 was assigned to VIII Army Corps and was located at Possneck, Germany from 23 April 1945 through May 20, 1945. This is the earliest known usage on the first day of service.

"6¢ Rate"

6¢ (½ oz.) Domestic Military P. O. Air Mail Rate*

**December 25, 1941 thru September 30, 1946.*

***Military Concession Rate**

6¢ Air Mail Transport Issue (Sc# C25)

Solo Usage

This cover demonstrates the correct solo usage for a single-weight, half-ounce (½ oz.) Military Air Mail letter Concession Rate from a Canadian Air Force member at Field Post Office 462 in Tunis, Tunisia, to Quebec, Canada.

This is an example of a member of the Allied Forces correctly using the U.S. Armed Forces Military Post Office System.



**FIELD POST OFFICE ~ 462
(Tunis, Tunisia)
MAY 30 1943
TO
MONTREAL, QUEBEC, CANADA**

The stamp is tied by a black 27mm circular British Military Field Post Office 462 datestamp, with blank space above the date.

The cover also bears two (2) eight-point R.A.F. (ROYAL AIR FORCE) Field Post Base CENSOR STARS; a Red RAF Censor Star #4, and a Violet RAF Censor Star # 253.

"21¢ Rate"

**(6¢ 1 oz. Domestic Air Mail Rate, plus
15¢ Basic Registered Letter Fee = 21¢)**

***December 25, 1941, through October 1, 1946.**

**15¢ James Buchanan (Sc# 820), plus
6¢ Twin-Motored Transport Plane (Sc# C25)
Combination Usage**

*This business-to-business cover demonstrates a combination
usage for a (1 oz.) Domestic Registered Airmail Letter, with
basic declared value indemnity.*



**PORTLAND, ORE.
AUG 16 1943
TO
LITITZ, PA.**

*The stamps are cancelled by a 15mm black concentric circle
target Killer, while the cover bears three (3) red-violet
30mm double-circle back stamps: two (2)"PORTLAND, ORE.,
SAINT JOHNS STA. AUG 16 1943" and one (1) "LITITZ, PA.
REGISTERED AUG 18 1943" receiving cancellation.*

"24¢ Rate"

24¢ (6¢ x ½ oz. x 4) Military P. O. Air Mail Rate*

*December 25, 1941 thru September 30, 1946.

***Military Concession Rate**

6¢ Air Mail Transport Issue (Sc# C25 x 2), plus

12¢ Zachary Taylor (Sc# 817)

Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates the correct combination usage for a quadruple-weight, two-ounce (2 oz.) Military Air Mail letter Concession Rate to/from overseas U.S. military personnel and contractors.



**LOS ANGELES, CALIF
TERMINAL ANNEX
MAY 17 6³⁰PM 1944
TO
APO 149 IX AIR DEFENSE COMMAND
(Sunninghill, Berks, England)**

The stamps are tied by black 30mm duplex circular datestamp with an eight-bar 13mmW x 33mmH horizontal grid killer with "AIR MAIL" indicator center.

The cover is re-marked with a red-violet 5mm x 45mm VIA AIR MAIL auxiliary handstamp.

"30¢ Rate"

30¢ (15¢-per-1/2 oz.) International Air Mail, Letter Rate,* Germany

****November 1, 1946, thru April 30, 1967**

6¢ Transport Issue (Sc# C25 x 5)

Multiple Usage

This cover demonstrates multiple usage for the one-ounce (1 oz.) double-weight European Air Mail letter rate to Germany.



Post WWII USMG Censor 40923.

GAINESVILLE, GA.

NOV 26 1PM 1946

TO

STUTTGART-FELLBACH, GERMANY (U.S.)

The stamps are tied and cancelled by a combination of the side of a duplex c.d.s. device as well as the following machine cancel:

UNIVERSAL STAMPING MACHINE CO., cancellation

DIAL TYPE:	D	KILLER TYPE:	200
Dial Diameter:	20mm	Killer Type:	6 Wavy Lines
Type Size:	2mm	Wave Up/Down:	Up
Dial Variety:	---	Killer OAL:	45mm
Gap to Killer:	11mm	Killer Variety:	----
Cancel Size:	20mm x 79mm (7/8" H x 3-1/16" L)		

UNITED AIRCRAFT CORPORATION
EXPORT DEPARTMENT
EAST HARTFORD 8, CONNECTICUT, U.S.A.



Jorge A. Luro & Cia.
Viamonte 522
Buenos Aires, Argentina

H 96374

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"\$1.60 Rate"

\$1.60 (40¢ per 1/2oz.) F.A.M. Air Mail, Letter Rate,*

*December 1, 1937, thru March 31, 1945

2¢ Overpaid For Convenience

6¢ Air Mail Transport Issue (Sc# C25 x 12), plus

5¢ Greece Overrun Countries (Sc# 916 x 10), and

20¢ James A. Garfield (Sc# 825 x 2)

Combination Usage

This business-to-business cover demonstrates a combination usage for a quadruple-weight (4x), two-ounce (2oz.) airmail letter to Argentina.



The stamps were missed being cancelled on the backside and three were sealed under the backflap. The cover received a 20mm black "1642" postal clerk handstamp in Argentina as well as a 20mm black "VIA AEREA-C (VIA AIRMAIL-C) ARGENTINA * 8 - FEB. 44. 17" (or SPM) receiving cancel. The red-violet Technical Data Division United States censor mark is self-explanatory.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

JAN 29 10³⁰PM 1944

TO

BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA

The stamps were cancelled and tied with a 30mm diameter duplex circular datestamp with a six-bar 13mm W x 33mm H barrel killer and postal clerk identification center (#6).

The cover bears a 35mm black "U.S. CENSORSHIP #30090 from the Miami Postal Censorship Station plus an additional special Blue Document Registration #H96374 logging the documents enclosed in the envelope under the Special License T22541. The backstamp affirms the contents were "Inspected and Approved" by the "Office of Economic Warfare".

*The Air Mail Stamp of 1944
8¢ Twin-Motored Transport Plane
(Scott #C26)*

First Day of Issue: March 21, 1944

1,744,878,650 issued

Rotary Press - Perf 11 x 10½ - 200 Subject ElectricEye Plates

The 8¢ airmail rate to and from Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands was set at eight cents in 1945, and to Mexico and Cuba as well. Other solo uses involved airmail in the United States with surface mail to any full rate UPU country, or surface mail to Europe and airmail within Europe (except Spain). A similar charge was made for airmail within the U.S. and Canada combined with surface transport to Newfoundland or Saint Pierre and Miquelon. Later it became the rate for full airmail service to Saint Pierre and Miquelon. Domestic airmail plus minimum insurance cost eight cents from late in 1946 until the end of 1948.



"8¢ Rate"

8¢ Domestic (1 oz.) Airmail Letter Rate

March 26, 1944, thru September 30, 1946.

8¢ Transport Issue (Sc# C26)

Solo Usage

This business-to-business cover demonstrates a single weight, one-ounce (1 oz.) Domestic Airmail Letter.

The Band was called to active duty with the 115th Cavalry regiment for World War II on February 1941 and was sent to Fort Lewis, Washington. On May 19, 1942 the Band was again re-organized as the Band, 115th Cavalry, Mechanized. The band was inactivated April 8, 1946 at Fort Ord, California.



UNIT INSIGNIA

P.F.C. Leonard M. Cohen
33510935-67th A.G.F. Band
Replacement Depot #2
Fort Ord, Calif.

JUL 11 1944



Lieutenant Edward Merrow
B.T.U. Center
Camp Lee, Virginia

AIR MAIL

**HARRISBURG, PA.
JULY 10 10³⁰ AM 1944
TO
CAMP LEE, VIRGINIA**

The stamp on this cover is cancelled by a 19mm H x 62mmL HARRISBURG, PA. (22) repeating parcel post roller cancel with an additional red-violet 32mm circular date-stamp "HARRISBURG, PA 1, TOUR 1, JUL 10, 1030AM, 1944" applied at the Harrisburg International Airport, (MDT) Middletown, Pa.

"21¢ Rate"

**8¢ (1 oz.) Domestic Air Mail Letter Rate, plus
13¢ Domestic Special Delivery Rate
March 26, 1944, through September 30, 1946.**

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**8¢ Transport Issue (Sc# C26), plus  
13¢ Motorcycle Delivery Issue (Sc# E17)  
Combination Usage**  
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**This cover demonstrates solo usage single-weight
(1 oz.) Domestic Special Delivery Air Mail Letter Rate.**



**CHICAGO, ILL. (IRVING PARK STA.)
OCT 19 5 PM 1945
TO
LEBANON, PA.**

The stamp on this cover is tied by a 30mm circular duplex date stamp, with the year located outside the bottom right-hand side of the circle, next to the 13mmW x 33mmH 8-bar numerical Killer. The cover has a matching 6-bar duplex killer applied when it was received at "LEBANON, PA. OCT 20 6PM 1945."

Receiving Cancellation



"30¢ Rate"

30¢ (½ oz.) International Airmail, Letter Rate*

*April 28, 1939 until October 31, 1946

8¢ Transport Issue (Sc# C26 X 3), plus

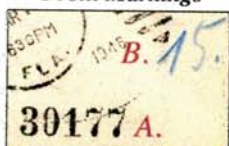
6¢ Transport Issue (Sc# C25)

Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates combination usage for the half-ounce, single-weight European airmail letter rate to Hungary.

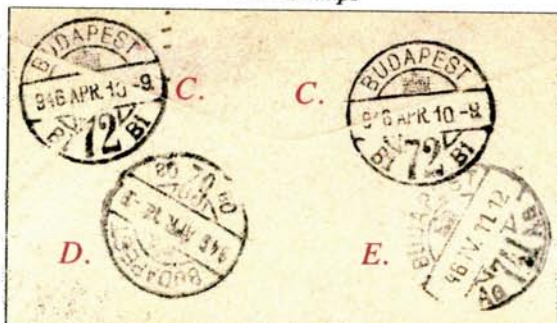


Front Markings



**MIAMI BEACH, FLA.
MAR 18 6³⁰ PM 1946
TO
BUDAPEST, HUNGARY**

Back Stamps



A black 24mm duplex circular date stamp ties the stamps with six-bar 13mm x 33mm elliptical grid killer with numerical center No. 1. This device was usually reserved for the senior widow clerk at the mailing post office. The (A.) #30177 is a Hungarian air mail docketing number and the (B.) blue "15" was the Hungarian postal clerk handling the air mail.

The back stamps include: (C.) two (2) 24mm double bi-sected circle Roman-style 'BUDAPEST B1 72 B1 946 APR.15-9.' receiving transit cancellations; (D.) one 24mm double bi-sected circle Roman-style 'BUDAPEST AB 741 AB 946 IV.II-12.' receiving transit cancellation, and; (E.) a 24mm double bi-sected circle Roman-style 'BUDAPEST Oa 62 Oa 946 APR.14-9.' delivering post office cancellation.

"30¢ Rate"

30¢ (1/2 oz.) International Airmail, Letter Rate*

**April 28, 1939 until October 31, 1946*

OVERPAID 2¢, FOR CONVENIENCE

8¢ Transport Issue (Sc# C26 X 4)

Multiple Usage

This cover demonstrates multiple usage for the half-ounce, single-weight European airmail letter rate to Hungary.



Front Markings



**MIAMI, FLA.
MAR 4 5 PM 1946
TO
BUDAPEST, HUNGARY**

Back Stamps



A black 30mm duplex circular date stamp ties the stamps with eight-bar 13mm x 33mm elliptical grid killer with numerical center No. 1. Plus, the cover was cancelled by an International Postal Supply Co cancelling machine with a 20mm Dial 4:R with a 50mm L, type 200, seven bar wavy line killer. The (A.) #01408 is a Hungarian air mail docketing number and the (B.) blue "14" was the Hungarian postal clerk handling the air mail.

The back stamps include: (C.) two 28mm double bi-sected circle Roman-style 'BUDAPEST D 72 D 946 MAR.29 N11' receiving transit cancellations; (D.) one 24mm double bi-sected circle Roman-style 'BUDAPEST AB 741 AB 946 IV. 1-20.' receiving transit cancellation, and; (E.) a 24mm double bi-sected circle Roman-style 'BUDAPEST Be 62 Be 946 APR.2-8.' delivering post office cancellation.

*The Air Mail Stamp of 1941
10¢ Twin-Motored Transport Plane
(Scott #C27)*

First Day of Issue: August 15, 1941

67,117,400 issued

Rotary Press - Perf 11 x 10½ - 200 Subject ElectricEye Plates

Ten cents was an airmail rate to a number of countries during the 1938 - 1960 period. At some time during the interval this included Cuba, Haiti, Bermuda, Jamaica, and various other Caribbean islands, as well as Mexico, South America, and Central America.

Ten cents was also the airmail rate to and from Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and Guantanamo Bay from 1929 until early 1945, the Canal Zone from April 1945 through September of 1946, and to Newfoundland in 1939 and from late 1946 until confederation with Canada in 1949. It also covered airmail between Guam and the Philippines and American Samoa to West Samoa from late 1946 until mid-1961, and there was an unpublished rate of ten cents for airmail between Midway and Hawaii from April of 1937 until October, 1942. Privately produced aerogrammes were charged ten cents postage from early April of 1947 through June of 1961.

The international postcard airmail rate was ten cents from mid-1954 through mid-1961.



"10¢ Rate"

10¢ (1/2 oz.) South America Air Mail Rate,* Argentina

**November 1, 1946, thru June 30, 1961*

10¢ Air Mail Transport Issue (Sc# C27)

Solo Usage

This cover demonstrates a solo usage for a single-weight, half-ounce (½oz.) airmail letter rate to Argentina.



The Receiving Cancel



(Spanish)

PARA ENVIAR CON
URGENCIA SUMAS DE
DINERO A CUALQUIER
PUNTO DEL PAIS.

(English translation:)

TO SEND URGENT
SUM OF MONEY TO
ANY POINT OF
THE COUNTRY.

GIROS* \$ TELEGRAFOS GIROS* \$ TELEGRAPH

**GIROS: Giros are a banking system revolving around money transfer. Postal giro or postgiro systems have a long history in European financial services. The basic concept is that of a banking system not based on cheques, but rather by direct transfer between accounts. In Argentina, money could be paid in or withdrawn from the system at any telegraph office, much like today's ATMs or debit cards.*

**BOSTON, MASS.
(???) POSTAL STA.
JUL 11 4AM 1948**

**TO
BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA**

The stamp is tied by a partially readable black 30mm duplex circular datestamp with 13mm W x 33mm H eight-bar elliptical grid killer, with un-readable station initials in the center.

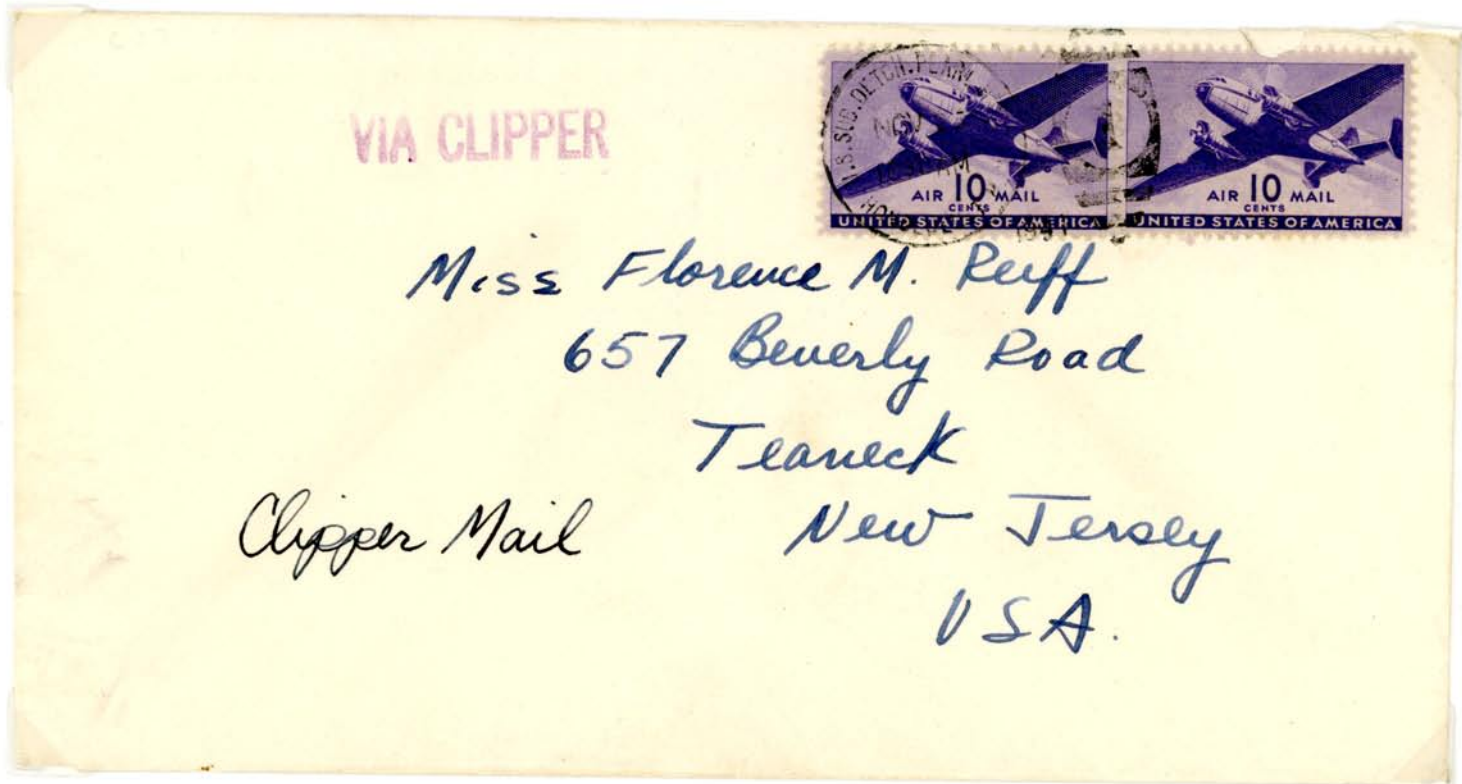
The cover is backstamped with a black machine slogan advertising cancellation promoting "SEND MONEY ANYWHERE...", "... GIROS \$ TELEGRAPH" when it was received three days later at "BUENOS AIRES 25- ARGENTINA - JUL 14 5-6 1948".

"20¢ Rate"

20¢ 1 oz. Double Airmail Letter Rate
(Hawaii T to the continental United States)
March 22, 1929, through January 15, 1945.

10¢ Transport Issue (Sc# C27 x 2)
Solo Usage

This cover demonstrates a transport issue solo usage for a double-weight (1 oz.) Airmail Letter between Hawaii Territory and the continental United States.



USS Nevada (BB-36) aground and burning off Waipio Point, after the end of the Japanese air raid. The ships assisting her, at right, are the harbor tug Hoga (YT-146) and USS Avocet (AVP-4).

(U.S.S. NEVADA)
U.S. SUB. DETACH. PEARL HARBOR,
HONOLULU, T.H.
NOV 27 10³⁰PM 1941
TO
TEANECK, N.J.

The cover mailed from the Naval Museum at Pearl Harbor 10 prior to its infamous attack; mailed from an Ensign on board the U.S.S. Nevada. The cancel is a 28mm duplex c.d.s. with 6-bar numerical killer.

The U.S.S. Nevada would be badly damaged by a Japanese Type 91 aerial torpedo that hit her during the 7 December 1941 air raid. USS Nevada (BB-36) beached and burning after being hit forward by Japanese bombs and torpedoes.

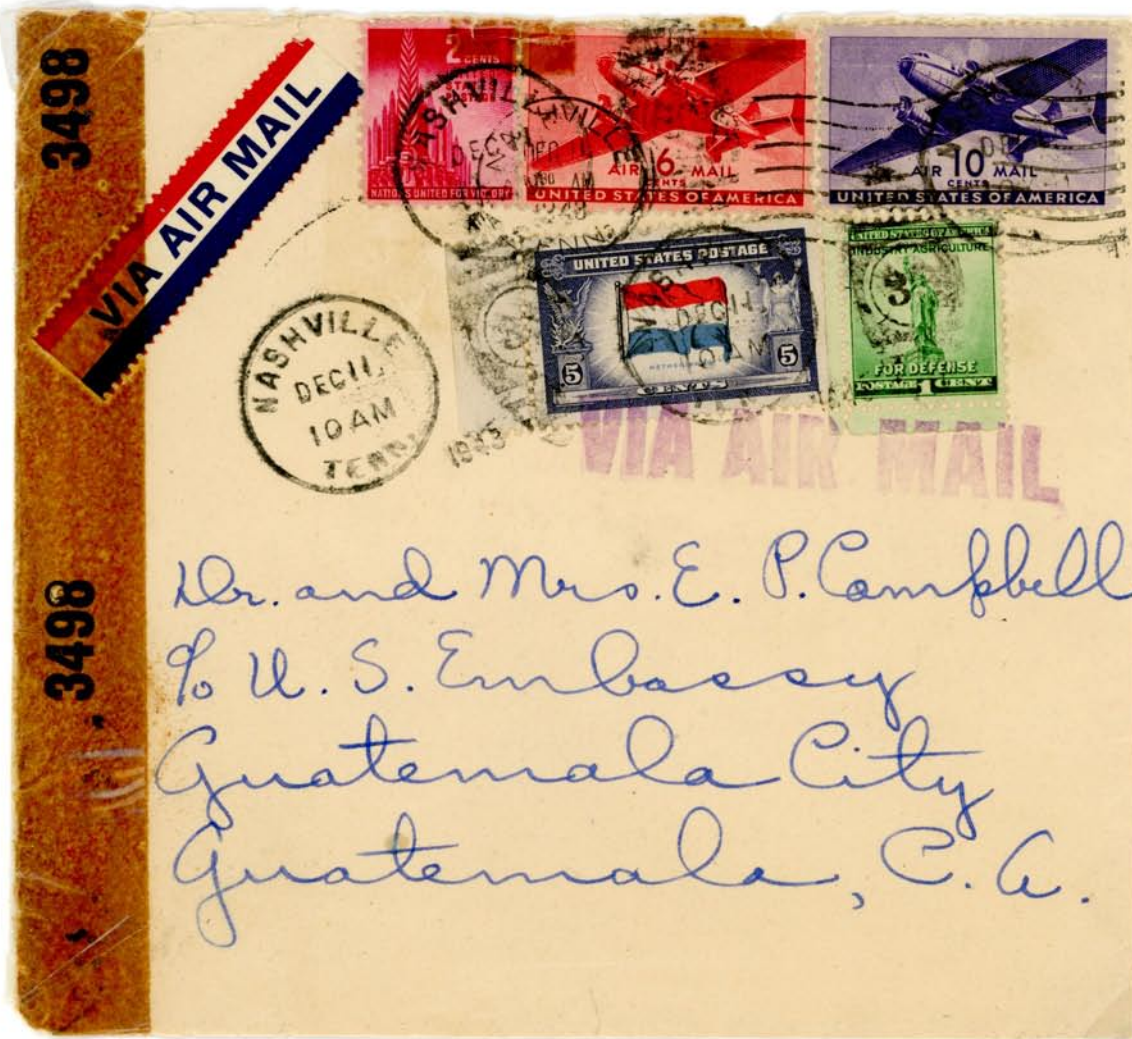
"24¢ Rate"

24¢ (12¢-per-1/2oz.) F.A.M. International Airmail, Letter Rate,* Guatemala

**December 1, 1937, thru March 31, 1945.*

**2¢ Nations United for Victory (Sc# 907), plus
6¢ Air Mail Transport Issue (Sc# C26)
10¢ Air Mail Transport Issue (Sc# C27)
5¢ Netherlands Overrun Countries (Sc# 913), and
1¢ Statue of Liberty (Sc# 899)
Combination Usage**

This cover demonstrates a combination usage for a double-weight, one-ounce (1oz.) censored Foreign Air Mail (F.A.M.) contract airmail letter to Guatemala in Central America.



Receiving Backstamp



*The cover bears a red-violet
"CORREO AEREO" (Air Mail)
GUATEMALA '18 DIC 1943. (DIC = December)*

NASHVILLE, TENN.

DEC 11 10 AM 1943

TO

GUATEMALA CITY, GUATEMALA

The stamps are tied by a combination 23mm duplex circular date stamp with six-bar 15mm W x 33mm H barrel No. 32 grid killer plus a Universal Stamping Machine Co., machine cancel with a "DG" dial and type 300, seven wavy line killer, with the throw 15mm from the dial. The cover opened, censored and re-sealed by Examiner # 3498, a number sequence assigned to the New Orleans Censor Station. This is the...

**** ONLY KNOWN USAGE OF THIS CENSOR TAPE! ****

J. Meurisse,
French Mission,
1707 Massachusetts Ave., N. W.
Washington, D. C.



Compagnie Nationale du Rhone,
10, Boulevard Jules Favre,

LYON, France

"30¢ Rate"

30¢ (1/2 oz. x 2) Double European Air Mail Rate,* France
*November 1, 1946, through April 30, 1967.

10¢ Air Mail Transport Issue (Sc# C27 x 2), plus
5¢ DC-4 Air Mail (Sc# C32 x 2)
Combination Usage

WASHINGTON, D. C.
FEB 6 10 PM 1947
TO
LYON, FRANCE

The stamps are cancelled by a combination of 30mm duplex circular date stamp with an eight-bar 13mm W x 33mm H x 1mm T elliptical grid killer with a numerical "6" center.

This cover demonstrates combination usage for the one-ounce (1 oz.) double-weight European Air Mail letter rate to France.

*The Air Mail Stamp of 1941
15¢ Twin-Motored Transport Plane
(Scott #C28)*

*First Day of Issue: August 19, 1941
78,434,800 Issued*

Rotary Press - Perf 11 x 10½ - 200 Subject Electric Eye Plates

The fifteen-cent airmail rate was used at various times and included postage to and from Hawaii and to and from the Panama Canal Zone, as well as Newfoundland, some South American countries, and some Central American countries and Caribbean islands. In November of 1946 fifteen cents became the airmail rate to Europe, North Africa, Turkey and the USSR.

The rate for airmail letters to Panama, Costa Rica, Guadeloupe, Martinique, the Leeward Islands, Trinidad & Tobago, and the Windward Islands was fifteen cents from December 1, 1937 until April 1, 1945. The airmail rate to Barbados was also fifteen cents from July 9, 1940 until January 15, 1941.

The airmail rate was a 15c-per-half-ounce to North Africa was fifteen cents from November 1, 1946 to May 1, 1967.



"15¢ Rate"

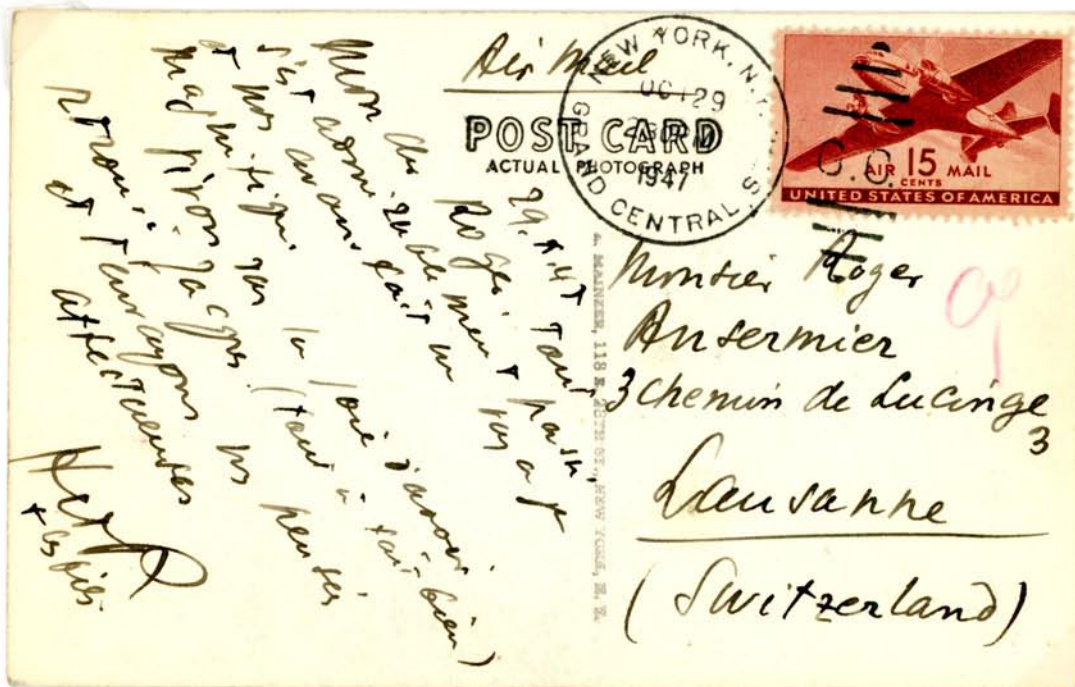
15¢ (per ½ oz.) International Air Mail Letter Rate*, Switzerland

*November 1, 1946, through April 30, 1967.

**15¢ Air Mail Transport Issue (Sc# C28)
Combination Usage**

This picture post card demonstrates solo usage paying the single-weight, half-ounce (½oz.) international air mail letter to Switzerland

(* N.B.: The U.S. European International Air Mail Postal & Post Card Rates (PB 19741) did not go into effect until June 1, 1954.



The Obverse



**NEW YORK, N. Y.
GRAND CENTRAL STA.
OCT 29 2³⁰ PM 1947**

**TO
LAUSANNE, SWITZERLAND**

The stamp is tied to the post card by a 30mm duplex circular date stamp with an eight-bar 13mm W x 33mm H elliptical grid killer with the initials "G.C." in the center indicating 'GRAND CENTRAL AIR-MAIL' postal office located at 45th & Lexington Ave., New York, N.Y.

"15¢ Rate"

15¢ (1½ oz.) European Air Mail Rate

November 1, 1946, through April 30, 1967.

15¢ Transport Issue (Sc# C28)

Solo Usage

This cover demonstrates solo usage for a single-weight, half-ounce European surface airmail letter to East Germany.



NEWARK, N. J.
APR 14 11-PM 1947
TO
LEIPZIG (Russia Zone), GERMANY

The stamp is tied by a 30mm Type-D 13mm W x 33mm H Eight-Barred Numerical One Duplex cancel.

"15¢ Rate"

15¢ (per ½ oz.) International Air Mail Letter Rate*, France

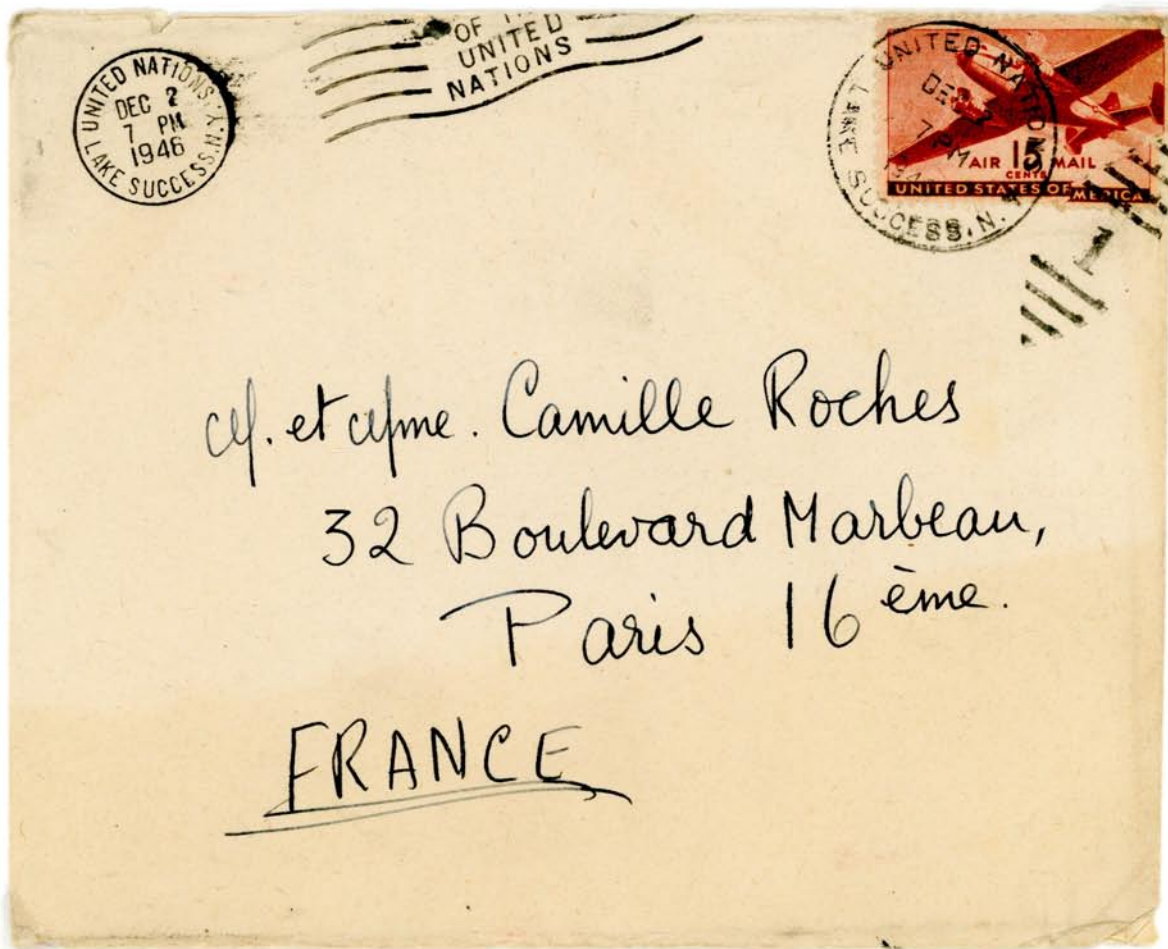
*November 1, 1946, through April 30, 1967.

15¢ Air Mail Transport Issue (Sc# C28)

Solo Usage

This cover demonstrates solo usage paying the single-weight, half-ounce (½oz.) international air mail letter to France.

When the UN came into being on 24 October 1945, it had no home. On 11 December 1945, the US Congress unanimously invited the UN to make its headquarters in the US. In the interim, the Secretariat was established provisionally at Hunter College in the Bronx, New York, and in August 1946, the UN moved to the Sperry Gyroscope plant at Lake Success, Long Island, N.Y." The UN had an agreement with the United States postal authorities, prior to 1951, permitting the UN to utilize US stamps and cancel them with special cancellations approved by United States postal authorities. An agreement with the United States postal authorities was reached in 1951 permitting the UN to issue its own postage stamps and it stipulated that the stamps be denominated in United States currency, and used only at UN Headquarters." The site of the UN headquarters has, "...extraterritoriality status as applied to embassies, diplomatic missions, foreign countries, etc."



**UNITED NATIONS
LAKE SUCCESS, N.Y.
DEC 7 7-PM 1946
TO
PARIS 16e, FRANCE**

The stamp is tied by a black 30mm duplex circular date stamp with an 13mmW x 33mmH eight-bar elliptical grid killer #1 plus a mis-fed machine cancel on the cover is as follows:

UNIVERSAL POSTAL SUPPLY CO., cancellation with

Machine Specifications:

DIAL TYPE:	DT	KILLER TYPE:	Slogan
Dial Diameter:	21mm	Killer Type:	Slogan
Type Size:	2mm	Wave Up/Down:	Up
Dial Variety:	---	Killer OAL:	51mm
Gap to Killer:	11mm	Killer Variety:	Luff #1250
Sloan:	COURIER OF THE UNITED NATIONS		
Cancel Size:	21mm x 83mm (13/16" H x 3-1/4" L)		

RETURN IN FIVE DAYS TO
E. C. DeWITT & CO., Inc.
 512 FIFTH AVENUE
 NEW YORK, 18 N. Y., U.S. A.



VIA AIR MAIL

E. C. DeWITT & Co., LTD.,

CHERRY ORCHARD ROAD,

EAST CROYDON, ENGLAND

"45¢ Rate"

45¢ (1½ oz.) International Air Mail, Letter Rate,* England

**November 1, 1946, through April 30, 1967.*

**15¢ Transport Air Mail Issue (Sc# C28 x 3)
 Multiple Usage**

This cover demonstrates a multiple usage paying the triple-weight, one and half-ounce (1½ oz.) international air mail letter rate to England.



Bermuda "Triangle" Transit Backstamp.



In the span of 50 years, DeWitt evolved from a lowly druggist hocking kidney pills in 1870s Dakota Territory to a multi-millionaire and international playboy—stretching his lavish lifestyle beyond the boundaries of logic or good taste, all while keeping an improbably low profile. This was the same E.C. DeWitt that made those bogus kidney pills! It wasn't until after his death in 1927, at age 72, that the spotlight really found him. Then came the lawsuit.

In perhaps the most bizarre, quintessentially Roaring '20s court case ever committed to the public record, a woman named Mae Brearton sued the estate of the late Mr. DeWitt for recurring payments never received. Her claim? Years earlier, she had allowed herself to be intentionally injected with syphilis germs by DeWitt—all as part of an agreement in which he would then use her as a paid guinea pig in his quest to cure the illness. According to Brearton, DeWitt vowed to treat her condition and pay her \$1,000 per month "for the rest of her natural life" as part of this contract. He had only completed five payments by the time he suffered a stroke in 1926, and now Brearton wanted the rest of her dough.

The court threw out the case, largely because the supposed contract, if real, would have to be deemed void anyway, since DeWitt—as far as anyone could surmise—was not a licensed physician in the first place.

**NEW YORK, N. Y.
 (Grand Central Sta.)**

NOV 15 10 PM 1946

TO

EAST CROYDON, ENGLAND

The stamps are tied to the cover by a black 30mm duplex circular datestamp with 13mm W x 33mm H eight-bar elliptical killer with a postal station annex "G.C." center.

*The Air Mail Stamp of 1941
20¢ Twin-Motored Transport Plane
(Scott #C29)*

First Day of Issue: August 27, 1941

42,359,850 issued

Rotary Press - Perf 11 x 10½ - 200 Subject ElectricEye Plates

From early 1937 until mid-January of 1945 twenty cents was the airmail rate to and from Hawaii as well as between Hawaii and Guam until late 1946. It was the rate to British Honduras between early 1938 and early 1945, and Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay and Uruguay from early 1945 until late 1946. There were some twenty-cent combinations of surface mail to Europe and air to Kenya, Nigeria, the Sudan and Tanganyika, as well as some very brief periods of such to India and Taiwan.

The airmail rate to and from the U.S. and Puerto Rico was ten cents per half ounce from March 22, 1929 to January 15, 1945; the double rate for one ounce ran twenty cents. The airmail rate to Mexico was ten cents per half ounce from December 1, 1932 to June 11, 1945; the double rate for one ounce ran twenty cents. The airmail rate to Central and South America was ten cents per half ounce from November 1, 1946 to July 1, 1961, with the exception of Cuba and Mexico before August 1, 1954; the double rate for one ounce ran twenty cents.



"20¢ Rate"

20¢ (1½ oz.) Domestic Air Mail Letter Rate*

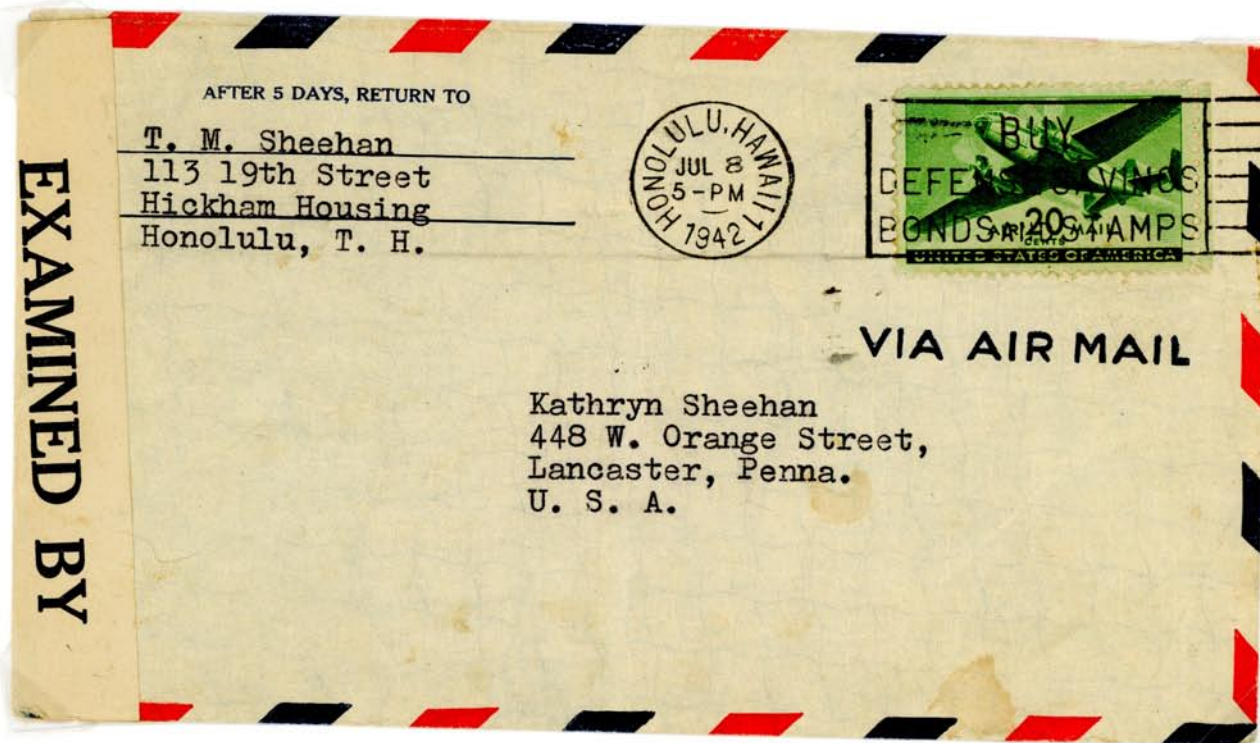
To or From Hawaii

**April 21, 1937, until January 15, 1945.*

20¢ Transport Issue (Sc# C29)

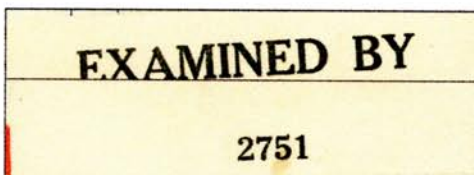
Solo Usage

This cover demonstrates the single-weight, half-ounce airmail letter rate to the Mainland. The cover was censored in Hawaii by the Territory of Hawaii Civilian Censor, and was re-sealed after examination, as shown by the paper tape re-sealing the left end of the cover; the tape indicating "EXAMINED BY 2751" located in Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii.



CENSOR TAPE

Back and front of Censor Tape on the cover has been Photoshopped together to re-create how the complete paper tape would appear. Paper Censor Tape would be replaced by Acetate Tape.



**HONOLULU, HAWAII 1
JUL 8 5-PM 1942
TO
LANCASTER, PA.**

*The stamp is tied by the following machine cancellation:
INTERNATIONAL POSTAL SUPPLY CO., cancel*

DIAL TYPE:	D(1)	KILLER TYPE:	SLOGAN
Dial Diameter:	21mm	Killer Type:	Slogan Box
Type Size:	3mm	Wave Up/Down:	----
Machine No.:	1:R	Killer OAL:	55mm
Gap to Killer:	10mm	Killer Variety:	Luff #630
Slogan:	BUY DEFENSE SAVINGS BONDS AND STAMPS		
Cancel Size:	21mm x 81mm (7/8" H x 3-1/4" L)		

"80¢ Rate"

80¢ (2 oz.) Quadruple Air Mail Rate, Hawaii*

**April 21, 1937, until January 15, 1945.*

**20¢ Transport Issue (Sc# C29), plus
30¢ Theodore Roosevelt (Sc# 830 x 2)
Combination Usage**

This inter-office business-to-business cover demonstrates a combination usage paying the quadruple-weight (4x), two-ounce (2oz.) air mail rate to/from Hawaii and the mainland.



**NEW YORK, N. Y.
CHURCH STREET ANNEX
JAN 27 7PM 1944
TO
HONOLULU, HAWAII**

The stamps are tied by a 30mm duplex circular date stamp with an eight-bar 13mm W x 33mm H elliptical grid killer with postal station initial identification center "C.A." indicating "CHURCH ST. ANNEX."

"\$ 1.75 Rate"

\$1.60 (40¢ x 4) 2 oz. FAM Airmail, Letter, Brazil

"December 1, 1937, through March 31, 1945

15¢ International Registration Fee (\$9.⁶⁵ Indemnity),**

"December 1, 1925, thru January 31, 1945

20¢ James A. Garfield (Sc# 820)

20¢ Transport Air Mail Issue (Sc# C29 x 7)

5¢ James Monroe (Sc# 810 x 3)

Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage paying the quadruple half ounce Contract Foreign Air Mail Letter Rate, from Miami to Brazil.

5481

U.S. CENSOR TAPE #5481

Tape Type: T 2.5.1

Based in New York, N. Y.

Usage: Dec. 1943 - Jul. 1945



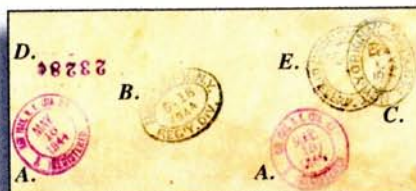
NEW YORK, N. Y.

MAY 16 1944

TO

RIO DE JANIERO, BRAZIL

The stamps are tied by the following cancellations:---->



The stamps were cancelled with a 18mm x 27mm double-oval silent killer, while the cover is back stamped with: (A.) two (2) red-purple 28mm double-circle "NEW YORK, N.Y. (STA. M.) REGISTERED MAY 16 1944"; (B.) one (1) black 32mm double-oval "NEW YORK, N.Y. REG'Y. DIV. 5-16-1944" transit cancel; (C.) 32mm double-oval "NEW YORK, N.Y. REG'Y. DIV. 5-18-1944" transit cancel, and (D.) new red-violet international registry # 2328¢, and; (E.) one (1) receiving cancel "PO-CORREIO AEREO MAIL-BRAZIL 23-VI-44".

*The Air Mail Stamp of 1941
30¢ Twin-Motored Transport Plane
(Scott #C30)
First Day of Issue: September 25, 1941
59,880,850 Issued
Rotary Press - Perf 11 x 10½ - 200 Subject Electric Eye Plates*

From 1938 to February of 1945 thirty cents was the cost of a registered airmail letter with return receipt requested when the basic airmail rate was ten cents and a registered airmail letter when the basic airmail rate was fifteen cents. From February of 1945 until the beginning of 1949 it was the cost of a surface letter sent registered, return receipt, and from late 1946 until 1949 it was the rate for a registered airmail letter to South or Central America and, finally, a surface registered letter to a UPU country from the beginning of 1949 until late 1952.

The 30¢ Twin-Motored Transport Plane airmail rate paid the a special delivery airmail letter to or from Hawaii until late 1944. Airmail to and from Canton Island from mid 1940 until mid 1945 was thirty cents per half ounce, as was airmail to and from Midway Island from late 1940 until late 1942.

These include an airmail letter to Europe from early 1939 until late 1946 and an airmail letter to Peru, Ecuador or the Guianas from the beginning of the Prexie period until early 1945.

Other possibilities are any Western Hemisphere country that had a ten-cent per half-ounce airmail rate before the middle of 1957, as well as an airmail special delivery postcard to most foreign countries from the middle of 1954 to the middle of 1957.

The Other Articles (AO) airmail rate was thirty cents for the first two ounces to Mexico, the Cayman Islands, Jamaica and British Honduras at various times in the 1950's and early 1960's.



"40¢ Rate"

40¢ (½ oz.) F.A.M. Air Mail Rate,* Brazil

**December 1, 1937 through March 31, 1945*

30¢ Transport Air Mail Issue (Sc# C30), plus

10¢ John Tyler (Sc# 815)

Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage paying the half ounce (½ oz.) Foreign Air Mail Contract Letter Rate from Miami to Brazil.

The cover has a blue "X" on the lower left corner and is back-stamped with a violet type M1.1 Censor Review Bar with a 6mm M 3.2 "Black Ball" indicating the cover was to be 'CENSORED'!



Censor Markings



Blue "X" indicating Censored under Censor Tape.
'XX' would indicate UNCENSORED!

New York Censor Station Foreign Government & Agency Markings.

Type M 1.1
EKU: 2-1944
LKU: 4/15/1944
3 days before LKU.



Foreign Government & Agency Censor Markings:

1. Purple Bar: Ask question to Supervisor - Do I Censor?
2. BLACK BALL OVER BAR: indicates - YES, CENSOR THIS!
3. BLACK BALL ABOVE BAR: indicates - PASS DO NOT CENSOR!

U. S. NAVY

(Miami, Fl)

APR 3 11³⁰ AM 1944

TO

RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL

The stamps on this Brazilian Naval Commission cover are tied by a black 30mm duplex circular datestamp with a 14mm x 34mm eleven-bar elliptical grid killer.

The Back Stamps



Receiving cancel: 12 APR 44

"55¢ Rate"

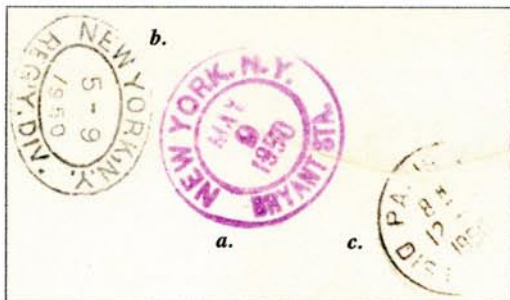
30¢ (15¢ x 1/2oz.) International Air Mail, Letter Rate*, plus
**November 1, 1946, through April 30, 1967*
25¢ International Registry Fee (50 Fr. or \$9.⁶⁵ U.S. Indemnity)**
***January 1, 1949, through August 31, 1952*

4¢ James Madison (Sc# 808), plus
1¢ George Washington (Sc# 804 x 2),
15¢ New York Skyline (Sc# C35), and
30¢ Transport Issue (Sc# C30)
Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a combination usage paying the double-weight, one-ounce U.P.U. Registered Air Mail letter to France.



The Back Stamps



NEW YORK, N. Y.
BRYANT STA.
MAY 9 1950
TO
PARIS XVeme, FRANCE

The stamps were cancelled with a 20mm x 28mm double-oval dumb killer, while the cover bears: (a.) two (2) red-purple 31mm double-circle back stamps "NEW YORK, N.Y. BRYANT STA." MAY 9 1950"; (b.) one (1) black 32mm x 25mm double-oval "NEW YORK, N.Y. REG'Y. DIV. 5-9 1950" Transit Cancel, and; (c.) one (1) black 27mm receiving cancel backstamp at "PARIS (FRANCE) ? DIST on 8^u 12-5-1950" or 12-MAY-1946.

"60¢ Rate"

30¢ (1 1/2 oz. x 2) International Airmail, Letter Rate*

*April 28, 1939 until October 31, 1946

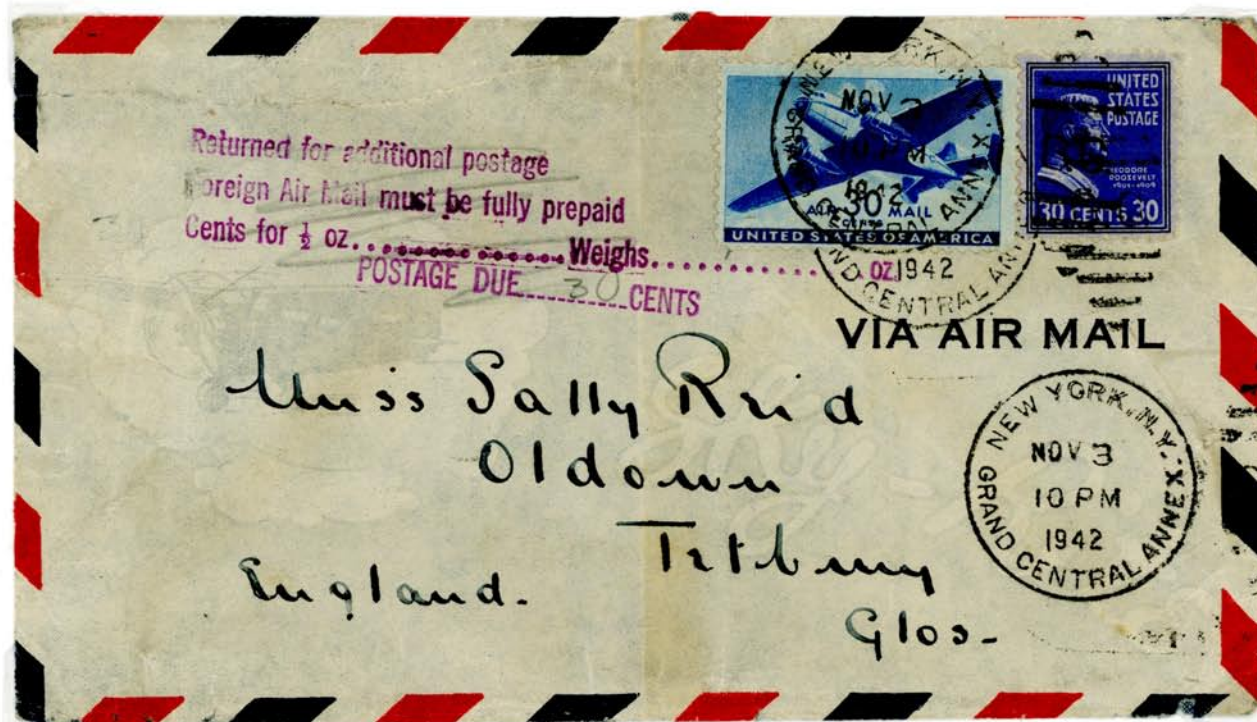
30¢ Twin-Motored Transport Plane (Sc# C30), plus

30¢ Theodore Roosevelt (Sc# 830)

Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a solo usage for a double-weight, one-ounce airmail letter to England.

Cover inscribed with two (2) red-violet N.Y. post office auxiliary markings: First Inscription: "Returned for additional postage/Foreign Air Mail must be fully prepaid/ Cents for 1/2 oz...Weighs 1 oz.", with the Second inscription: "POSTAGE DUE 30 CENTS."



**NEW YORK, N.Y.
(GRAND CENTRAL ANNEX)
NOV 3 10PM 1942**

**TO
TETBURY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE, ENGLAND**

The stamps are cancelled by a duplex 30mm circular date stamp with an eight-bar Alpha G.C. elliptical grid Killer; the "G.C." indicating "Grand Central Annex."

Interestingly, for a cover mailed during the height of World War II, U.S. or English Censors never opened this cover.

"60¢ Rate"

60¢ (30¢ x ½ oz.) Double European Air Mail Rate

April 28, 1939, through October 31, 1946.

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**30¢ Transport Issue (Sc# C30 x 2)**

**Solo Usage**

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*This cover demonstrates combination usage for the one-ounce,
double-weight European airmail letter rate to France.*



**PATTERSON 1, N. J.
DEC 24 1 PM 1945
TO
PARIS, FRANCE**

The stamp is tied bt following machine cancellation:

UNIVERSAL STAMPING MACHINE CO., cancellation

DIAL TYPE:	D(1)	KILLER TYPE:	200
Dial Diameter:	22mm	Killer Type:	7 Wavy Lines
Type Size:	2mm	Wave Up/Down:	Up
Dial Variety:	1:L	Killer OAL:	45mm
Gap to Killer:	15mm	Killer Variety:	---
Slogan:	---		
Cancel Size:	22mm x 72mm (7/8" H x 2-7/8" L)		

*The Air Mail Stamp of 1941
50¢ Twin-Motored Transport Plane
(Scott #C31)*

First Day of Issue: October 29, 1941

11,160,600 Issued

Rotary Press - Perf 11 x 10½ - 200 Subject Electric Eye Plates

Airmail letters routed to a number of African areas through Miami and then Brazil were fifty cents per half ounce from late 1941 until late 1946. Other African areas, India, and Pakistan were served by routes through Europe for fifty cents at various times from 1939 to 1940 and later, some as late as 1946. Other routes for that rate involved mail sent surface to Capetown and air to Egypt, Aden or Greece.

Airmail to New Zealand was also fifty cents from late 1939 until late 1946. Airmail letters moving between Guam and Puerto Rico, Guam and Guantanamo, Cuba, and Guam and the Virgin Islands cost fifty cents from late 1937 until mid 1945, and between Guam and the Canal Zone from early 1945 until late 1945. And an airmail letter to or from the Philippines was fifty cents per half ounce from 1937 until late 1946, although mail was suspended from late 1941 until late 1945.

Airmail from Hawaii could be sent for twenty cents less than it would have cost from the mainland to Pacific Rim countries from mid 1939 until late 1946. Until early 1945 the airmail rate from Hawaii to Europe was twenty cents more than from the mainland also.

A registered, special delivery letter sent airmail between Hawaii and the mainland cost fifty cents for a short time in 1944. Before that, it would have taken registry for more than the minimum amount.

Registered letters with return receipt service sent airmail to countries with a thirty-cent airmail rate cost fifty cents from the beginning of the Prexie period until early 1945, and from then until the beginning of 1949, just registered letters sent airmail to such countries. Airmail special delivery to any thirty cent airmail rate country could also produce a fifty-cent solo cover. A registered airmail letter to PUAS members in the Western Hemisphere would have cost that from late 1952 until mid 1957.



This cover demonstrates a solo usage for a single weight (1/2 ounce) Registered Air Mail Letter to Europe.



<--- Austrian Postal Label
"Unnahme verweigert"
"Refused)

**<---"Unnahme verweigert
signed: Hans Korenjak"
(Refused by)**

OCEAN GROVE, N. J.
FEB 24, 1949
TO
KLGENFURT, AUSTRIA

A purple "Zollamt Klagenfurt Postabfertigung Mail Dispatch receiving cancel" with Austria Crest receiving cancel appears on the front and back on the cover. In addition... --->

The stamp is cancelled by a double-oval dumb killer. The cover has two (2) supplemental 30mm red-violet circular date stamps at (A.) "SHADY GROVE, N.J. FEB 24 1949", plus an double-oval (B.) "NEW YORK, N.Y. REGISTERED 2-24-1949". It received a similar (C.) "NEW YORK, N.Y. REGISTERED MARCH 24, 1949" transit strike on the return trip; and a (D.) "OCEAN GROVE, N.J. MARCH 24, 1949" RECEIVING CANCEL upon arrival after refusal.

"60¢ Rate"

60¢ (15¢-per- ½ oz.) European Air Mail Rate*

**November 1, 1946 thru April 30, 1967.*

**10¢ Air Mail Transport Issue (Sc# C27), plus
50¢ Air Mail Transport Issue (Sc# C31)
Combination Usage**

This business-to-business cover demonstrates a combination usage paying a quadruple-weight, two-ounce (2oz.) air mail usage to Germany.



**NEW YORK, N. Y.
CHURCH STREET STA.
JAN 28 9 PM 1948
TO
HANBURG, GERMANY**

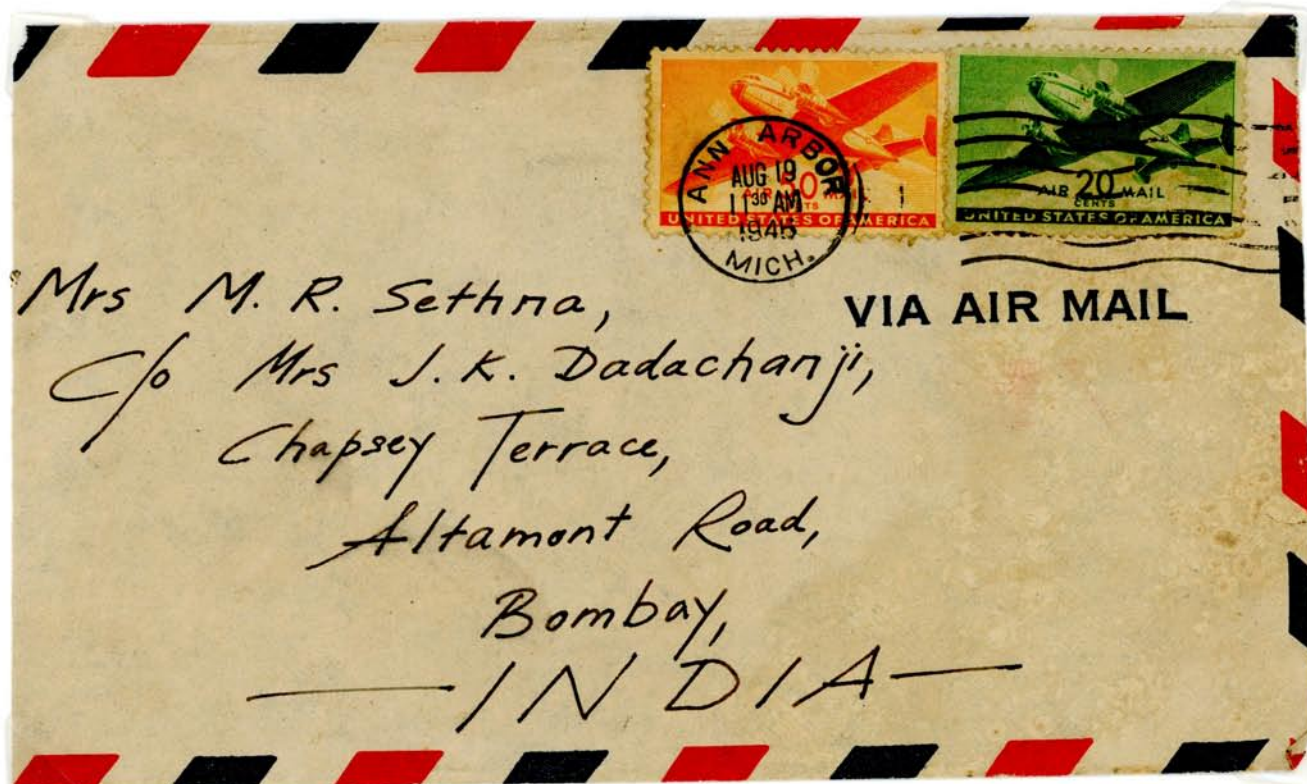
The stamps are tied by a 30mm duplex circular date stamp with eight-bar 13mm X 33mm elliptical grid killer, showing the Post Office Station center (CHURCH) in the middle of the killer. The cover also has a red-violet 11mm x 21mm "HAMBURG" auxiliary handstamp.

"70¢ Rate"

70¢ (½ oz.) F.A.M. Air Mail Rate*, to India
(FAM from San Francisco to Hong Kong/Singapore; air to India & within)
*April 21, 1937, through October 31, 1946.

50¢ Transport Air Mail Issue (Sc# C31), plus
20¢ Transport Air Mail Issue (Sc# C29)
Combination Usage

This cover demonstrates a single-weight, half-ounce (½ oz.) Foreign Air Mail letter to India, via San Francisco and Hong Kong or Singapore.



RECEIVING CANCEL
BOMBAY 26
27 AUG 1946
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ANN ARBOR, MICH.
AUG 19 11³⁰ AM 1946
TO
BOMBAY, INDIA

The stamps are tied by the following machine cancel:

UNIVERSAL STAMPING MACHINE CO., cancellation

<i>DIAL TYPE:</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>KILLER TYPE:</i>	<i>300</i>
<i>Dial Diameter:</i>	<i>22mm</i>	<i>Killer Type:</i>	<i>7 Wavy Lines</i>
<i>Type Size:</i>	<i>2mm</i>	<i>Wave Up/Down:</i>	<i>Up</i>
<i>Dial Variety:</i>	<i>---</i>	<i>Killer OAL:</i>	<i>46mm</i>
<i>Gap to Killer:</i>	<i>15mm</i>	<i>Killer Variety:</i>	<i>----</i>
<i>Cancel Size:</i>	<i>22mm x 82mm (7/8" H x 3-1/4" L)</i>		



"80¢ Rate"

30¢ (½ oz. x 2) International Airmail, Letter Rate*

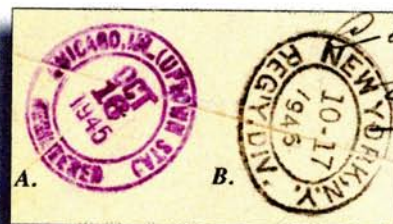
*April 28, 1939 until October 31, 1946

20¢ Registry Fee**(\$0 Indemnity) = 80¢

**March 26, 1944, thru December 31, 1948

20¢ James A. Garfield (Sc# 825), plus
5¢ Denmark Overrun Countries (Sc# 920x2),
50¢ Transport Air Mail Issue (Sc# C31)
Multiple Usage

This cover demonstrates a multiple usage for a double-weight, one-ounce (1 oz.) Registered, International Air Mail letter with basic indemnity to Denmark.



Skovhuset

CHICAGO 40, ILL.
OCT 16 1945
TO
JYDERUP, DENMARK

The stamps were cancelled by a 21mm x 30mm double-oval blind killer, while the cover bears two red-purple 30mm double-circle back stamps from (A.) "CHICAGO, ILL. (UPTOWN STA.) OCT 16 1945," the mailing post office AND one black 26mm x 30mm double-oval (B.) "NEW YORK, N.Y. REG'Y DIV. 10-17-1945" transit cancellation.

Skovhuset is a centre for cultural activities and events. Situated in Furesø municipality, beautiful in North Zealand, surrounded by forests and lakes and with a view over Lake Sønderø.



ANCE

A. Bailey
Brookfield Center, Conn.

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MAIL

"90¢ Rate"

90¢ (30¢ x ½ oz.) Triple EUA Airmail Letter Rate*, France
*November 1, 1946, through April 30, 1967

**50¢ Air Mail Transport Issue (Sc# C31), plus
20¢ Air Mail Transport Issue (Sc# C29 x 2)
Combination Usage**

This cover demonstrates a combination usage for a triple-weight, one and one-half-ounce (1½ oz.) EUA Air Mail letter to France.

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TO
PARIS, FRANCE**

The stamps are cancelled by a combination of 30mm duplex circular date stamp with an eight-bar 13mm W x 33mm H x 2mm T elliptical grid killer with a numerical "#1" center. The #1 was normally assigned to the senior window clerk or postmaster.