

EVENTS OF 1944

- GI Bill of Rights is passed, providing benefits for armed-service veterans.
- FDR is reelected for a fourth term, beating Republican challenger Thomas Dewey.

The United States post office issued the following number of stamps in 1944:

- 6 Commemoratives
- 1 Airmail
- 2 Special Delivery

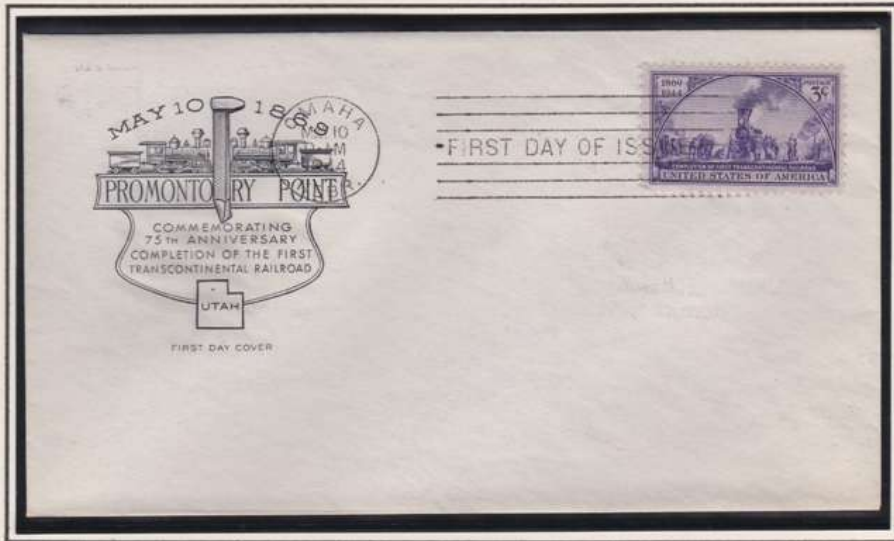
Name of Stamp	Stamp Issue Date	City Stamp Was Issued From
Commemoratives		
*First Transcontinental Railroad 3¢	May 10 th	San Francisco, California Ogden, Utah Omaha, Nebraska
*Steamship "Savannah" 3¢	May 22 nd	Kings Port, New York Savannah, Georgia
*Telegraph 3¢	May 24 th	Washington, D.C. Baltimore, Maryland
Corregidor, Manila 3¢	September 27 th	Washington, D.C.
*Motion Picture 3¢	October 31 st	New York, New York Los Angeles, California
Flag of Korea 3¢	November 2 nd	Washington, D.C.
Airmail		
Twin-Motored Transport Plane 8¢	March 24 th	Washington, D.C.
Special Delivery		
Motorcycle Delivery 13¢	October 30 th	Washington, D.C.
Motorcycle Delivery 17¢	October 30 th	Washington, D.C.

This custom stamp album contains the following categories of stamps:

- Single mint
- Mint plate blocks
- First day of issue cover

Each stamp within the album has a caption about the stamp.

* Of the 6 commemoratives stamps issued 4 of the stamps were each issued from different individual cities on the same date.



First Transcontinental Railroad - 3¢ Violet issue date May 10, 1944. This stamp was issued to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the completion of the Transcontinental Railroad. The stamp design selected by President Franklin D. Roosevelt pictures the ceremony that was held on May 10, 1869, at Promontory, Utah.

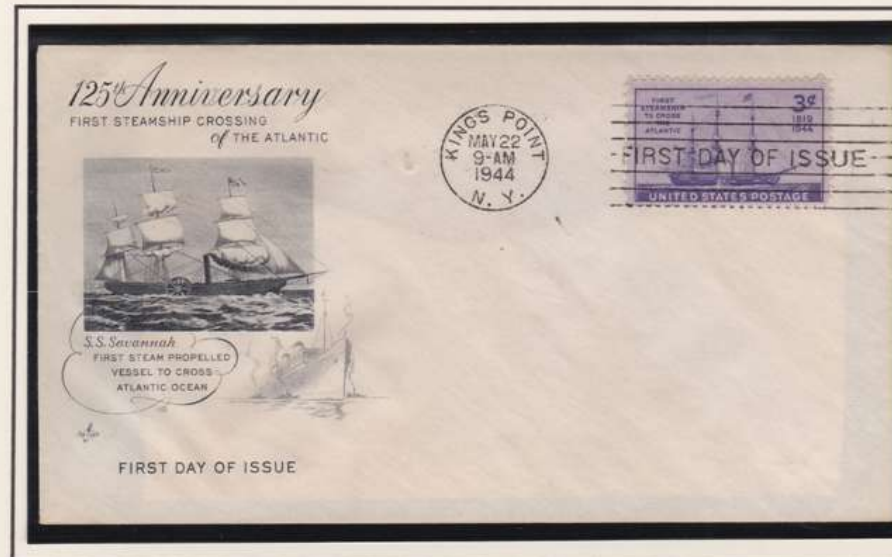
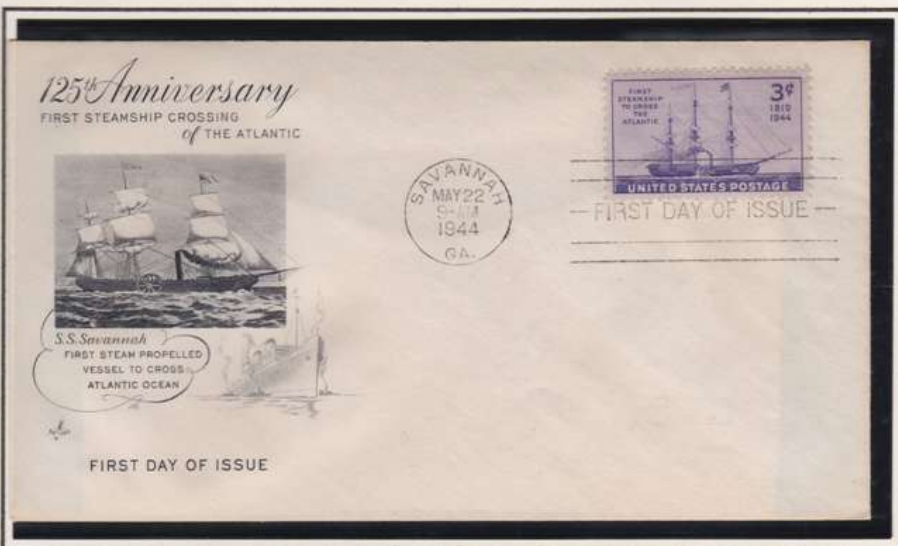


First Transcontinental Railroad - 3¢ Violet issue date May 10, 1944. This stamp had 3 first day issue events in 3 different cities on the same day: Ogden, Utah – San Francisco, California – Omaha, Nebraska.





Steamship "Savannah" - 3¢ Violet issue date May 22, 1944. This issue commemorates the 125th anniversary of the steamship *Savannah*'s crossing of the Atlantic Ocean in 1819. The first steam-propelled vessel to cross the Atlantic Ocean, the *Savannah* sailed from Savannah, Georgia, on May 22, 1819, and arrived in Liverpool, England, 29 days later. The first day of issue was issued from two cities Kings Point, New York and Savannah, Georgia on the same day May 22, 1944.



Steamship "Savannah" - 3¢ Violet issue date May 22, 1944. There were two First Day issue events in two different cities for this stamp on the same day: Kings Port, New York and Savannah, George.



Telegraph Centenary - 3¢ Bright Red Violet issue date May 24, 1944. This stamp was issued to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the first official telegraph. Its inventor, Samuel F.B. Morse, sent the transmission on May 24, 1844. That day, Morse sat in the Supreme Court chamber of the Capitol and tapped out the message, "What hath God wrought!" This phrase is included in the stamp design among the telegraph wires.



Telegraph Centenary - 3¢ Issue Date May 24, 1944. There were two First Day Issue events in two different cities for this stamp, Washington D.C. and Baltimore Maryland.



Corregidor, Manila Bay - 3c Deep Violet issue date September 27, 1944.

Corregidor, honored on this stamp was the site of a World War II standoff between U.S. and Philippine troops and Japanese forces. Today, the entire island is a national shrine to the soldiers who died in its defense.





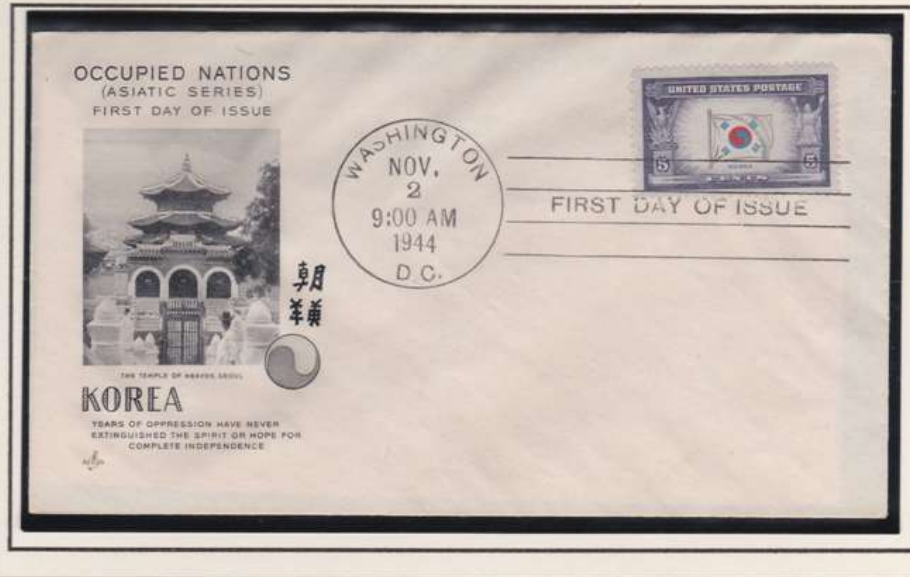
Motion Pictures - 3¢ Deep Violet issue date October 31, 1944. This stamp commemorates the 50th anniversary of motion pictures. Debuting in 1895, the motion picture greatly enriched people's lives. Often, troops stationed overseas were shown currently released movies to help keep them in good spirits.



Motion Pictures - 3¢ Issue Date October 31, 1944. There were two First Day Issue events in two different cities for this stamp New York, New York and Los Angeles, California.



Flag of Korea - 6¢ Blue Violet, Red, Light Blue, and Gray issue date November 2, 1944. This stamp is part of the Overrun Countries Series, which honors each of the nations invaded by Axis powers during World War II. It pictures the flag of Korea, which features the Chinese Yin and Yang symbol and four symbols representing the Taoist philosophical ideas of the universe – harmony, symmetry, balance, and circulation.



Flag of Korea - 6¢ Blue Violet, Red, Light Blue, and Gray issue date November 2, 1944. The "P" of "KORPA" is actually a mangled "E". This occurs only on some panes position 26 and is a result of a plate printing error.



Twin-Motored Transport Plane - 8¢ Olive Green issue date March 21, 1944.

These stamps were intended to cover the various rates in effect for both domestic and overseas airmail service. The 8¢ issue covered domestic airmail service. The 8¢ issue was required when postage rates were increased to help finance WW II.





Motorcycle Delivery Special Delivery - 13¢ Blue issue date October 30, 1944.

Special Delivery stamps were pre-payments added to the regular "lawful postage" for an extra service – immediate delivery of a letter within one mile of any special delivery post office. These special post offices were those with free routine delivery service or in larger communities with 4,000 or more people.





Motorcycle Delivery Special Delivery - 17¢ Orange Yellow issue date October 30, 1944. Special Delivery stamps were pre-payments added to the regular "lawful postage" for an extra service – immediate delivery of a letter within one mile of any special delivery post office. These special post offices were those with free routine delivery service or in larger communities with 4,000 or more people.

