



UNITED

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POSTAGE

### ISSUES OF 1869

Grill measuring 9½ x 9½ mm.



Fancy Stovepipe Cancel (in blue)  
of Leominster, Mass [2019 PFC]

*Benjamin Franklin*



*Post Horse and Rider*



*Locomotive*



#114P1



G #115 PFC (G80)



#116 PFC (G85)



#117  
("PAID"cancel)



#118  
(pinhead thin in grill)

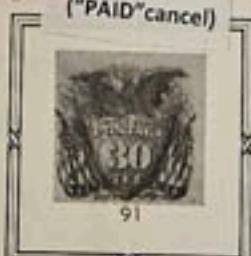


*Lands*

#119  
(cc UL)



*Declaration of Independence*



*Shield, Eagle and Flags*



*Abraham Lincoln*

March, 1869, a new pictorial series of postage stamps was released. While some class it as a commemorative of the subject matter, it was a regular issue replacing the previous one then in use. There were two varieties of the subject matter, the first one, released April 2, 1869, shows the picture unframed. The second version, released May 23, 1869, shows the picture framed. The series was engraved by the National Bank Note Company.



ISSUES OF 1870-71

Perf. 12 — Without Grill



*Benjamin Franklin*



*Andrew Jackson*



*George Washington*



*Abraham Lincoln*



#149  
(fancy "B" in circle cancel)  
[ex Rupp]  
PFC



*Thomas Jefferson*



#151 PFC (G90XQ) ex Gorham



*Daniel Webster*



Gen. #153 PFC  
(small cc UL)



*Alexander Hamilton*



Com. #155 PFC (G90)



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### SERIES OF 1873

Printed by the Continental Bank Note Company  
Perf. 12 with Secret Marks



*Benjamin Franklin*



*Andrew Jackson*



*George Washington*



#159 PFC (G95)



*Edwin M. Stanton*



*Thomas Jefferson*



#162 PSE (G90J)



#163 PFC (G90)



#165 PFC (G90)  
(ex Litle)



*Commodore O. H. Perry*



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ISSUES OF 1875



Andrew Jackson



Zachary Taylor

ISSUES OF 1879

Same as 1870-75 Issues - Soft Porous Paper



Benjamin Franklin



Andrew Jackson



George Washington



Zachary Taylor



A #186 PFC In



#187 PFC (G90)



Thomas Jefferson

#188



Daniel Webster



Alex

#190 PFC



Cc

#191 PFC (G80)

The business of Continental Bank Note Company by the Amer. any on February 4, 1879 and along with it come stamp printing contracts held by Continental. American Bank Note printings were generally on soft paper.

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### SERIES OF 1895

Watermarked in DOUBLE-LINED Capitals - USPS



Franklin



#265 PSE (G85)



Washington #267a



Washington #267



Andrew Jackson



Abraham Lincoln



Ulysses S. Grant



James A. Garfield



William T. Sherman



Daniel Webster



Henry Clay



Thomas Jefferson



Perry



Perry



#277

(light creases)



In 1895 the Bureau of Printing and Engraving decided to print the watermark in double-lined capital letters — UNITED STATES POSTAGE — for UNITED STATES SERVICE and the letters appear 90 times on a sheet of 100 stamps. The change to watermarking was brought about to further protect our stamps from forgery.



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SERIES OF 1902

1906



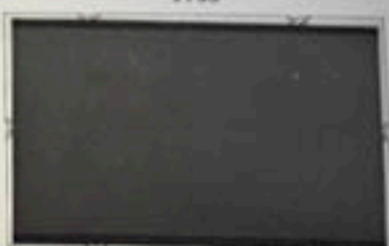
Benjamin Franklin NH

Imperf.  
1906



George Washington NH

1908



#315 OG LH PFC (G90)

SERIES OF 1908-09

Perf. 12 - Watermarked in DOUBLE-LINED Capitals - USP5



Benjamin Franklin



George Washington



#333 PFC (G85J)



George Washington



George Washington



George Washington



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George Washington

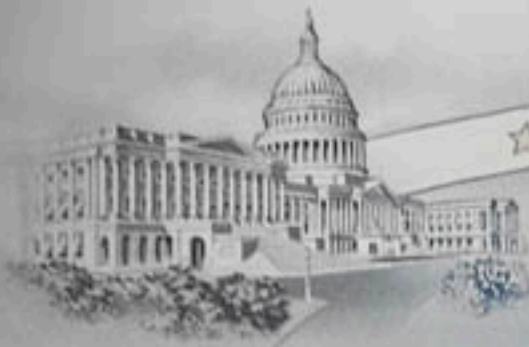
For the sake of uniformity and artistic effect, the head of Washington (a profile from Houdon's bust) was adopted as the subject of all the denominations except the one cent, which bears the head of Franklin (the first Postmaster General).



George Washington



#342 PFC (G85)



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DOUBLE-LINE WATERMARK  
PERF. 10  
1915



Ben #460 (cc UL)

SINGLE-LINE WATERMARK  
IMPERFORATE  
1914



Gr #459 OG VLH

SINGLE-LINE WATERMARK  
PERF. 11  
1915



#461 OG LH PSAG (G85)

UNWATERMARKED PAPER — Perf. 10  
1917



James Madison



#480 PFC (G90)

1916-17  
UNWATERMARKED — IMPERFORATE



664

Washington



Washington

#482 OG NH



#483 OG NH



#484 OG



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OFFSET PRINTINGS OF 1918-20

IMPERFORATE



NH # 531



2¢ NH George Washington # 532



# 534 XF NH



2¢ NH George Washington # 534A



#533 OG NH PFC [ex Rupp]

769



NH George Washington # 535

ISSUES OF 1919

Unwatermarked — Rotary Press Printing — Perf. 11 x 10



#138 OG NH PFC (G81)



George Washington



George Washington #139 OG NH



#141 OG NH PSE (G90)



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REGULAR ISSUE OF 1922-25

Flat Plate Printing — Perf. 11



Nathaniel Hale



Benjamin Franklin



Warren G. Harding



George Washington



Abraham Lincoln



Martha Washington



Theodore Roosevelt



James A. Garfield



William McKinley



Eliza S. Gannett



Thomas Jefferson



James Monroe



Rutherford B. Hayes



#564 PFC (G95)



American Indian



Golden Gate



#568 PSE



Statue of Liberty



American Buffalo



Arlington Amphitheater



Lincoln Memorial



U. S. Capitol



"America"

All stamps this page NH, except for the following, which are LH: #551, 555, 558, 563, 565-6, and 569.

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Flat Plate Printing — Imperf.

1923-25



Benjamin Franklin



Warren G. Harding



George Washington



#578 PFC (G80)

Rotary Press  
— Perf. 11 x 10 —  
1923-26



#579 PSE

Perf. 10



Benjamin Franklin



Warren G. Harding



George Washington



Abraham Lincoln



#585 PFC (G90)



Theodore Roosevelt



James A. Garfield



#588 PSE



#589 PFC (G85)



Thomas Jefferson



James Monroe

All stamps this page NH, except #578 (used)



COLUMBIAN SERIES

1893



Columbus #238 PSE (G90) *sovery*



Colax #239 PFC



Reca #240 PSE



Isabella #241 PSAG *vels*



Co #242 PFC



Columbus describing third voyage



Isabella - Columbus



Columbus

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



TRANS-MISSISSIPPI EXPOSITION SERIES

1898



Marquette on the Mississippi



Farming in the West

OG  
1R



#287 PSE (G85)



Fremont #288 PSE (G90)



#289 PSE (G85)



#290 (straightline REGISTERED cancel)  
(cc LL)



#291 PSE (G85) 1ctor



Western Cattle in Storm



Mississippi River Bridge

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



### LINCOLN MEMORIAL ISSUE

1909



OG LH



Lincoln OG NH



#369 OG LH PFC

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

### ALASKA-YUKON-PACIFIC EXPOSITION ISSUE



OG NH



William H. Seward

OG NH

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

### HUDSON FULTON CELEBRATION ISSUE



OG NH

The Clermont and Half Moon



OG NH

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

INTERNATIONAL PHILATELIC EXHIBITION, OCT. 16<sup>TH</sup> TO 23<sup>RD</sup> 1926

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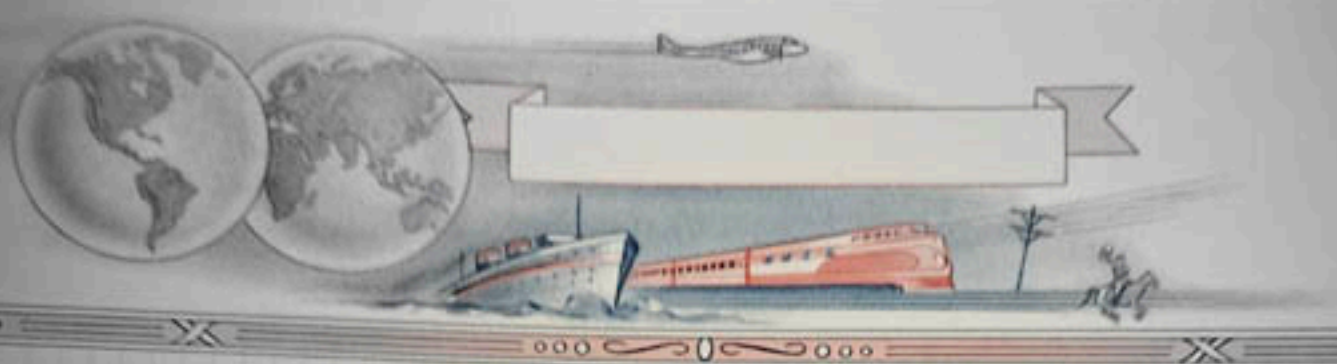
YORK

18774

N.Y.

U.S.A.

VF OG LH  
(stamps NH)  
(single light hinge mark  
in bottom selvage  
under "N.Y.")



#C6 PFC (G90)





## GRAF ZEPPELIN PAN-AMERICAN FLIGHT

1930



Graf Ze #C13 OG HR



Graf Zeppelin be #C14 OG LH  
PSE (G85J)



Graf #C15 OG LH  
PSE (G95)

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

## GRAF ZEPPELIN CENTURY OF PROGRESS FLIGHT

1933



Graf Zeppelin between Friedrichshafen and Chicago

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