



Philatelic Society of Lancaster County

**The James Buchanan Chapter (#173) of the
American Philatelic Society
American Topical Association-Chapter 118
Website: <https://lcps-stamps.org>**

**2nd Wednesday/Month-Meet in Person at Landis Homes at 6:30 p.m.
4th Wednesday/Month-Meet Virtually at 6:15 p.m.**



American Philatelic Society

The Veranda Chronicles

The philatelic busy season is here, one replete with a host of opportunities that make it my favorite of the year, and as in the past, it follows a very successful summer picnic. For stamp and postal history collectors there is no better county in the U.S. of A. than Lancaster Pennsylvania, home of our fine club. We have six stamp shows a year here in town, and through our neighboring clubs in Reading, Lebanon, Harrisburg, Allentown, and Wyoming Valley we can participate in their meetings and shows. Further, we are only a few hours from the American Philatelic Center in Bellefonte, from Washington, DC and the National Postal Museum, and New York City with its

many shows and other opportunities. I challenge anyone to beat this. Be sure to check this newsletter, [our website](#), and other literature for this fall's happenings.

An especially interesting event this coming fall is the annual multi-sponsored [Postal History Symposium](#); this year's theme: The Universal Postal Union: Connecting the World by Mail. This is brought to us by the best societies in the country, and it will take place on November 15-16, 2024 at the American Philatelic Society in Bellefonte-and it's free!

A few of you have asked me how my articles fared in the literature competition in last month's Great American Stamp Show in Hartford. I am pleased to say that they did well, and I thank the many of you for encouraging me in this pursuit, as this is so important when engaged in demanding research, writing, and deadlines.

My article entitled "*The U.S. 3¢ 1851 Stamp: Newly Discovered Plate Flaw on 91R1L*" published in the U.S. Philatelic Classics Society journal "*The Chronicle of U.S. Classic Postal Issues*" was awarded a Gold Medal. Additionally, my article entitled "*An Unlisted Major Double Transfer on The Trenton Match Co.'s U.S. Private Die Proprietary 1¢ Revenue Stamp RO176d*" published in "*The American Revenuer*" was awarded a Large Vermeil. A montage of both these items are pictured later in this newsletter.

And as I encourage each of you to prepare for the auction this month, it is with some sadness that I do so with the passing of member Dick Shaefer in August. Among the many activities he performed for PSLC, his recording of the financial transactions for these events was flawless for many years, perhaps decades. Please keep Carol and the family in your thoughts and prayers. – Dr. Charles J. DiComo

Upcoming Programs

PSLC Auction

11 September 2024

Doors Open at 6:30 p.m.

A short business meeting starts at 7:00 p.m. Auction starts promptly after the meeting.

This is our final in-house auction for 2024, and once again it will contain a significant number of nice items that were donated to the club.

We'll meet in our regular meeting room on the second deck of our usual facility, as our "auction room" on the first deck is occupied by a Landis Homes event on that evening. The number of lots per member is **seven (7)**, and everything else remains the same. As usual, dinner is available at the Owl Hill Bistro, and you do not need to make a reservation to have dinner with us prior to the meeting.

Procedures:

Please register for a numbered paddle when you arrive. Place this number on all of your items to be auctioned, and use this paddle during the auction when you are bidding. This will ensure that what you buy and what you sell are accurately credited and debited.

Be sure that all of your lots are accompanied by an accurate and detailed description, as this helps buyers to better understand what they are examining.

Auction lot description forms have already been emailed and a limited number of hard copies will be available at the meeting. You may also access this form on the website at any time. While the auction lot description sheets have been sent out and are available, you can make your own as long as the pertinent info is included.

Fiscal transactions will be completed after the last lot has been sold. No early settlements will be made.

The Auction Committee recommends that you:

- Bring cash to pay for the items that you win
- Keep a running total during the auction of the items and prices of the lots that you sell and win
- Attach your sales information very securely to the lots you are entering into the auction. This will help avoid misidentification with other sellers' lots.

Bidding Rules:

- Minimum bids are \$1.00 per lot
- The minimum bidding increment is 50 cents.
- Only dues-paying PSLC members may participate in the auction.
- Auction participants are limited to seven (7) lots.
- You may also donate items to the auction, as donations are a welcomed, necessary source of funds for our operations, and help defray the cost of special events, storage lockers, newsletter, and website expenses, as well as advance deposits to secure special event locations.



Civil War Philatelic Society

The Civil War: A Postal System Divided

25 September 2024

6:15 p.m. via Zoom

Join Patricia Kaufmann as she explores the unique postal history of the American Civil War period. Trish is currently the head of Public Relations for, and a former Vice President of, the Civil War Philatelic Society. In recognition of her many years of outstanding service to our hobby, Trish was recently presented with the [Alfred F. Lichtenstein Memorial Award for Distinguished Service to Philately by the Collectors Club of New York](#).

PSLC Calendar

Descriptions for many of these programs are found on the [PSLC website](#)

11 September 2024: PSLC Auction

25 September 2024: The Civil War: A Postal System Divided. Trish Kaufmann

9 October 2024: Swiss Bundesfeier (National Holiday) Postcards 1910 – 1960 (with a little bit of Swiss History as an added bonus). Mike Bach

23 October 2024: Greenland Ghost Stories on Stamps. Ron Breznay

13 November 2024: PSLC One-Frame Open Exhibition. Members and Guests.

27 November: Open

11 December 2024: December Dinner. Venue and Time TBA

25 December: No meeting

2024 K2 Lancaster Stamp Shows: These are held at the Lancaster Farm and Home Center of Lancaster County, 1383 Arcadia Road, Lancaster 17601. The next show is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, November 22 - 23, 2024, from 10 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Looking further ahead, the final show of 2024 is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, December 21 and 22.

For more info about the K2 Lancaster Stamp Shows, visit the [PSLC homepage](#), or contact Kevin Kellman at k2stamps@gmail.com or +1 (301) 524-9562.



New Monthly Show! **9 am-4 pm**
Set Aside These Dates!

Apr. 6, May 4, June 1, July 6, (No August)
Sept. 7, Oct. 5, Nov. 2, Dec. 7

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Summertime fun at the PSLC Picnic

By Dr. Paul Petersen



Paul Petersen

The 2024 PSLC summer picnic at Memorial Park in Millersville was another good one with +/-34 club and family members on hand, including two potential junior collectors, courtesy of Scott & WaTanya Ney. Members supplied appetizers, side dishes, and desserts which augmented the burgers and dogs cooked up by chefs Bill Greiner, Mike Shirley, and Paul Petersen. That which the cooks noted last year rang true again this year: "Since no one got sick, it was another successful feeding; but let's wait another thirty-six hours and be sure." Indeed, everyone went home well sated, and there were very few leftovers.

Our current and seemingly most popular form of picnic entertainment began a few years ago and continued once more this year with a Member's Bourse, an evening to buy, sell, and trade. Singing, games, contests, breakdancing, mime, and ventriloquism had run the course. "Let's stick to philately," the club demanded, and we were more than happy to oblige. This year, thanks to many recent donations to PSLC, there were even more freebies, door prizes, and club

sales to augment the bourse. No purchase was necessary to have a good time, and few went home empty-handed.



Paul Petersen

As has always been the case in the past, there was plenty of help to return the pavilion to the pristine condition in which we found it when we arrived earlier in the afternoon, and this is just more evidence of what makes the PSLC a great institution. And some upcoming changes are in store; Paul Petersen and John Hostetter have been coordinating the picnic purchasing and entertainment over the years, and in a trial balloon last year, they farmed out a few picnic purchases to other members subject to reimbursement; this seems to be working with others willing to take the extra step. Next year, Dan Martin will replace Paul in the esteemed and august position of host, and John will remain as co-host. Paul has offered to cook once again with the usual suspects...or is it the motley crew?

With the summer picnic over, our upcoming calendar of events will round out the year with our November Open House and the always-anticipated December Dinner at Landis Homes.

A Tribute to Dick Shaefer

It was a significant loss last month with the passing of Dick Shaefer, a club member since 1985. Dick served five terms as society president, was an auction recorder, a LANCOPEX co-chairman, and a friend to many of us. Several PSLC members have contributed to this tribute embodying Dick's service activities and fine personal attributes.

It came as a shock when we learned a few years ago that Dick's cancer returned, but he kept up well and was active in our in-person meetings through the past spring, including hosting the snacks at the meeting last March. He shared at that time that he was given about a year, but he wasn't that optimistic. However, he added that he would make every day count in what was important to those around him.

Twice, Dick was asked for his permission to nominate him for an APS Nicholas Carter Award for Volunteer Service, an honor that he would easily have earned. As a very private and humble man, he respectfully declined each time. In the tributes that follow, one sees the common threads throughout Dick's life of integrity, patriotism, service, and Christian faithfulness – **Paul Petersen**

<https://www.thegroffs.com/obituaries/Richard-Shaefer/#!/Obituary>

The **Reverend Harold Hand** calls Dick Shaefer a friend, philatelist, and a man of faith and service, as he expounds "Many of us in the Philatelic Society of Lancaster County were privileged to know and relate to Dick, to be his friend, to experience his kindness, to admire his knowledge of philately, and to witness how he dealt with others. I had the special privilege of serving as a pastor of his church and presiding at his funeral following his death on August 12. There Dick was a faithful servant, not only occupying the same pew with his wife, Carol, on a regular basis but, over the years, supporting the church's youth group in various efforts, singing in the choir, serving on several committees and, for a time, volunteering as office manager.

"Dick was a soft-spoken man, whose faith guided his life for, as we believe, service to others as a priority. Dick did so by serving his country in the Air Force as a navigator until 1984, and he continued to show respect and care for military members and their families, especially as an active member of the Red Rose Honor Guard. He served many in his position as a caseworker in the Lancaster County Welfare Office. His kindness and knowledge also came into play when he was a part of a coin club, a metal detector club and, of course, PSLC, where he shared much of who he was. Dick was an intelligent, caring person who always had a desire to help other people.

"I will always remember Dick as a special friend, and I know other members of our club will have their own memories of who he was, how he lived, and the relationships that we shared that made his life something truly special, and our lives more blessed."

John Ford adds: "I would usually see Dick on Sunday mornings at church (St. Peter's Lutheran) and we'd discuss the latest or the next/upcoming stamp show. He was tireless in getting LANCOPEX shows set up, especially after Jim Boyles died, and I tried to help when I could. He

wasn't really talkative, but he often spoke about his (almost complete) Germany collection. I really miss him at church."

Club President Dr. DiComo states that "From the first day I met Dick at a Society meeting at Woodcrest Villa when I first moved to Lancaster with my family back in 2012, to the last time we spoke at length on U.S. and British North American revenue stamps a few months ago at one of our face to face meetings at Landis Homes - he was always, engaging, knowledgeable, willing to share, and a true gentleman. What an honor the past 12+ years to have been able to call Dick a philatelic colleague, mentor, and friend."

Lou DiFelice's PSLC service activities overlapped closely with Dick's club participation, which gave him a close perspective. As Lou describes, "I have had the opportunity to work with Dick on two major club functions, LANCOPEX and our three times a year in-house club auctions. As PSLC members are fully aware, LANCOPEX requires hours of preparation from many club members. It is in his capacity as a mentor that Dick showed me the ins and outs of providing a first class show for both members and outside collectors. The venue, the dealers, the overall show experience, step by step, all combining to culminate in a successful event. His dedication and hard work to make this event a success would be missed by most who attended because it always seemed to just happen naturally. Dick liked to remain behind the scenes. Although LANCOPEX was discontinued due to changing circumstances, Dick's enthusiasm and diligence for this event will be remembered.

"I also volunteered to help Dick with the several club auctions we held each year. As with LANCOPEX there is a great deal of time in preparing for the sale both before it occurs and afterward. There is the administrative tally and accountancy of the auction sales. Here I helped Dick, and it was not an easy task to monitor the sales items and bids and also enjoy the auction itself. Along with this are the leadership positions which Dick held during his long tenure with our club which are copiously mentioned elsewhere. Dick will truly be missed."

Peter Billis adds some nostalgia to the tribute in a convergence of their interests. "Dick and I became members of the PSLC around the same time in the mid-1980s. I was a young 20-year-old in college at the time. Over the years we became friends, and both of us were active in the stamp club. Sometime later I learned that we both served in USAF, flew on the same plane (KC-135s) and were stationed at the same base (Grissom AFB, IN) and Squadron, though at different times. We are all indebted to what Dick did for PSLC. Let's not also forget Jim Boyles, who Dick worked with side by side during the shows and other functions of the club."

Doug Milliken reports a friendship with Dick for the last dozen or so years since he joined PSLC. He recognized all of Dick's service to the club, but he also remembered him from the Post Card Club. Most impressive for Doug was when he attended the funeral for a U.S. veteran and observed Dick donned in a dress U.S.A.F uniform where he served in the Red Rose Honor Guard and presented the country's flag to the deceased family. Doug ends by observing that Doug will be missed.

THE PRECANCELED BATTLESHIP REPORT

“The Carter Medicine Co.”

Submitted by
Stanley E. Jones and Mary Katherine Klose
Brandywine Valley Stamp Club

“Carter’s Little Liver Pills” were first formulated in 1859 and became a staple household remedy. The Carter Medicine Co. was incorporated in 1880 and was largely a one-product firm, living off the returns of its primary product, Figure 1. The Carter Medicine Co. survived “The Pure Food and Drug Act of 1906” to emerge in the 20th Century as a well-established drug company. Who doesn’t recall hearing “There is more of (anything) than Carter has Liver Pills” as a by-line for more than an ordinary amount of anything? This phrase persists even today.

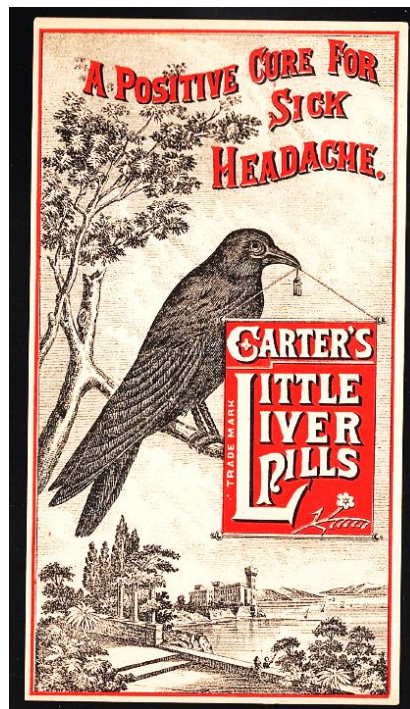


Figure 1. A Carter Medicine Card for Little Liver Pills.

According to Chappell and Joyce [1], The Carter Medicine Co. employed only one precancel type on Battleship revenues. This was a two-line printed cancel in serif type, Figures 2 and 3.



Stanley Jones

Figure 2. Carter Medicine Co. early Precanceled Battleships. These stamps are rouletted $5\frac{1}{2}$, indicating early usage in the tax period. The stamp at the top left was used on the first day of the tax.



Stanley Jones

Figure 3. Carter Medicine Co. Precancels on Battleship Revenue Stamps used later in the tax period. All of these stamps are Hyphen-Hole perf 7.

For a patent medicine company to survive *The Pure Food and Drug Act of 1906* was no easy feat. Many did not survive. Whatever they were selling had to pass the standards imposed by the new law. Not all products offered by 19th-century patent medicine companies could pass this test.

The Carter Medicine Co. did pass the test and continued its popular product for years past 1906. However, to survive in the intensely competitive business world of the twentieth century, The Carter Medicine Co. needed to expand its product line. Two of the new products that they introduced were *Carter's Iron Pills*, Figure 4, and *Carter's Nerve Pills*, Figure 5.

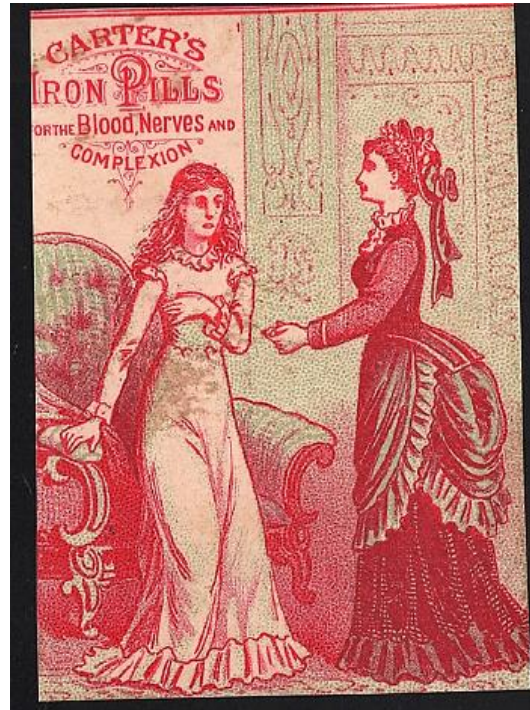


Figure 4. An advertising card for Carter's Iron Pills. This card was offered by an EBAY dealer.



Figure 5. Advertising cards for Carter's Little Nerve Pills seem to inspire the very conditions the pills promise to cure. Offered on EBAY.

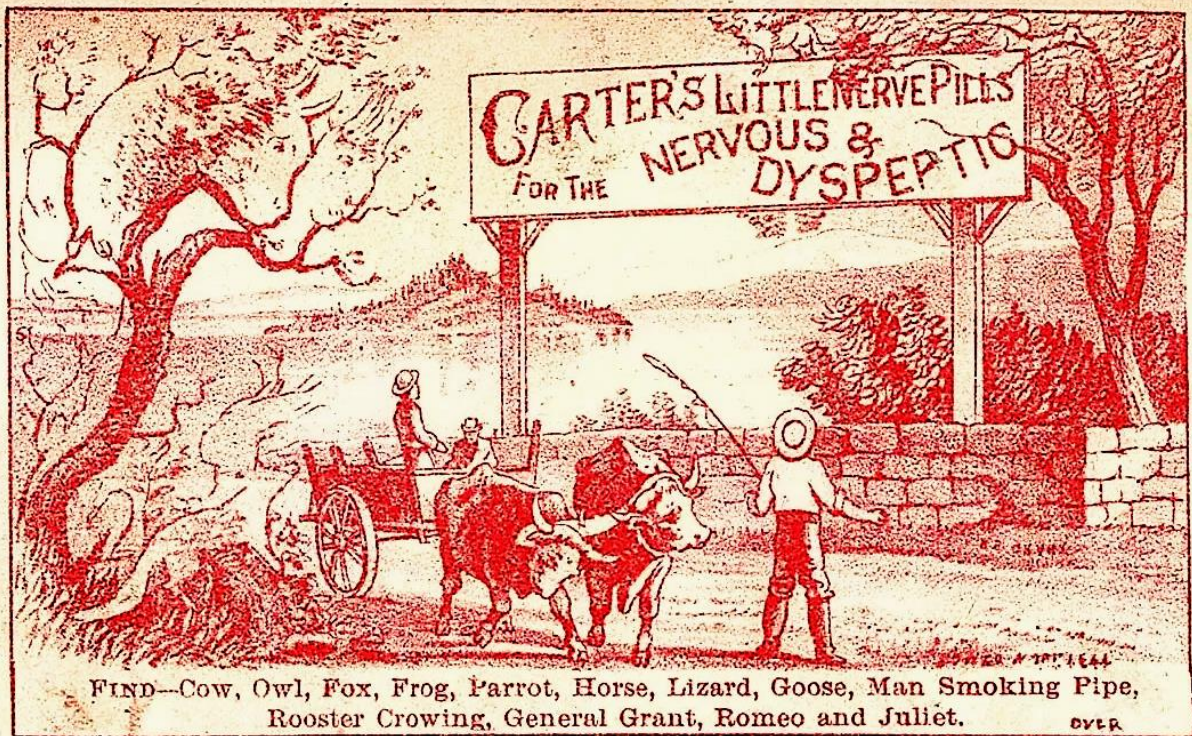


Figure 6. Nerve wracking puzzle card offered on EBAY.

The very fortunate hiring of John H. Wallace, a research chemist from Princeton, permitted the company to further expand its product line and enter markets that were well beyond the scope of simple medications. In 1935, based on the work of Wallace, "Arrid Deodorant" was introduced. This product quickly became a household word and carried the business.

The company could now boast several successful products and this diversification led to a change in corporate structure in 1937. The company changed from Carter Medicine Co. to Carter Products Co. Wallace Laboratory was a division of Carter Products.

The Carter Medicine Co. was established in 1859, which means that its product was subject to the Civil War Revenue Tax. The Boston Revenue Book [1], the definitive source for Civil War Revenue Stamps, does not list any reference to this company. Thus, they did not employ a private die revenue or a printed precancel on first-issue revenue stamps. To continue their business, they had to use revenue stamps on their product. Were the Civil War stamps manuscript or stamp canceled?

The Carter Medicine Co. was one of the most successful pharmaceutical firms to emerge from the nineteenth century. Beginning as a single-product firm, it adapted to the twentieth-century business environment and diversified with several new product lines. It survived the purge of patent medicine companies imposed by the Pure Food and Drug Act of 1906 and exists today as a global firm.

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1. C. H. Chappell and Morton Dean Joyce, "Proprietary Revenues of 1898, Precanceled Varieties," *American Revenue Association*, 1957.
2. G. L. Toppan, H. E. Deats, and A. Holland, "Historical Reference List of the Revenue Stamps of the United States" (The Boston Revenue Book), Boston Philatelic Society, 1899.

PSLC Awards and Honors

Society President Dr. Charles J. DiComo was honored with two awards at the 2024 Great American Stamp Show in Hartford. His report on a newly discovered plate flaw on the U.S. Three Cent stamp of 1851, which appeared in *The Chronicle* of the United States Philatelic Classics Society, earned a Gold Award, while his report documenting his discovery of an unlisted major double transfer on The Trenton Match Company's One Cent U.S. private die proprietary revenue stamp, which appeared in *The American Revenuer*, earned a Large Vermeil. Congratulations, Charlie!

Charles J. DiComo, PhD | ESPHS & PSLC President, PaPHS Board of Directors, USPCS Life Member

Gold
The U.S. 3c 1851 Stamp: Newly Discovered Plate Flaw on 91R1L (88 points)
 Charles J. DiComo, Ph.D.

Large Vermeil
An Unlisted Major Double Transfer on the Trenton Match Co.'s U.S. Private Die Proprietary 1c Revenue Stamp RO176d (84 points)
 Charles J. DiComo, Ph.D.

Congratulations Dr. DiComo on being recognized with a Gold Medal & Large Vermeil by your peers for your discoveries & original research.

Links to Articles:

1. <https://lepp-stamps.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/DiComo-Chas-91R1L-Plate-Flaw-Chronicle-281-V76N1-202402.pdf>
2. <https://lepp-stamps.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/DiComo-Chas-RO176d-Trenton-Match-TAR2023V76N4.pdf>

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Montage courtesy of Dr. DiComo

THE 1851-61 PERIOD
WADE E. SAADI, EDITOR

THE U.S. 3¢ 1851 STAMP:
NEWLY DISCOVERED PLATE FLAW ON 91R1L

CHARLES J. DICOMO

I have found a previously unrecorded plate flaw on Position 91R1L of the 1851 3¢ stamp (Scott 11A). The flaw is approximately 5 millimeters below the lower frame line in the bottom margin. It appears as a prominent dot with a surrounding aura of color.

While searching for 3¢ stamps to upgrade my reconstruction of the late state of Plate 1, I spotted this stamp, shown as Figure 1, on eBay in a lot described only as "11A." The stamp has a wide left margin with centerline and guide dot, a wide bottom margin, as well as a light three-line manuscript cancel allowing for clear examination of all the salient plating features. I noticed what appeared to be stray ink in the lower margin.



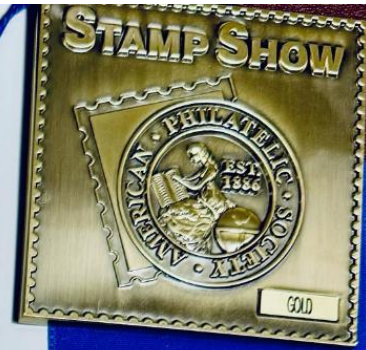
Figure 1. At left, a newly discovered plate flaw (arrow) in the bottom margin of Position 91R1L of the imperforate 3¢ Washington stamp.

Figure 2. Below, the plate flaw from the Figure 1 stamp greatly enlarged. A bold dot in the center is surrounded by an aura of color.



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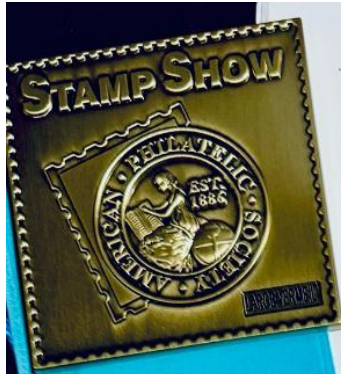


STAMP
SHOW

The U.S. 3 Cent 1851 Stamp: Newly Discovered Plate Flaw on 91R1L

The Chronicle of U.S. Classic Postal Issues

February 2024



An Unlisted Major Double Transfer on The Trenton Match Co.'s U.S. Private Die Proprietary 1¢ Revenue Stamp RO176d

A Brief History & Examination

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LARGE
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OF AMERICAN
WORKMANSHIP

The Trenton Match Co., Trenton, NJ

George O. Seward was listed in the 1869 *Trenton Directory* as match maker, foreman, superintendent of a match factory in Chambersburg, the 9th, 10th, 11th & 12th Wards of Trenton, located at 118 Hamilton Avenue near the canal. (●)

The manufacturing capacity was 300 gross matches per day; with eighty-five hands employed during the busy season; and principal shipments to the south.

In the 1882-1885 Directories listed the Trenton Match Co. with George F. Wilson, proprietor and Geo. O. Seward, manager at Chambersburg address.

It was during this era that a single private die proprietary revenue stamp was issued.



THE WORKS OF THE TRENTON MATCH COMPANY.—The factory of the Trenton Match Company is located on Hamilton Avenue, and was put in operation in 1886. The proprietor is George F. Wilson; George O. Seward is manager. The manufacturing capacity of the works is three hundred gross of matches per day. During the busy season eighty-five hands are employed. The principal shipments are to the South.

History of Burlington & Mercer Counties, NJ. Maj. E.M. Woodward & J.F. Hageman, Phila., 1883, pg. 751.

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An Unlisted Major Double Transfer on The Trenton Match Co.'s U.S. Private Die Proprietary 1 cent Revenue Stamp RO176d

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Fourth Quarter, 2023

Photos courtesy of Dr. DiComo

Links to recent PSLC presentations

Virginia Dare – The Stamp and the Story



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RFODupFqvgQ>



May 6th 1940 The 100th Anniversary of the Penny Black

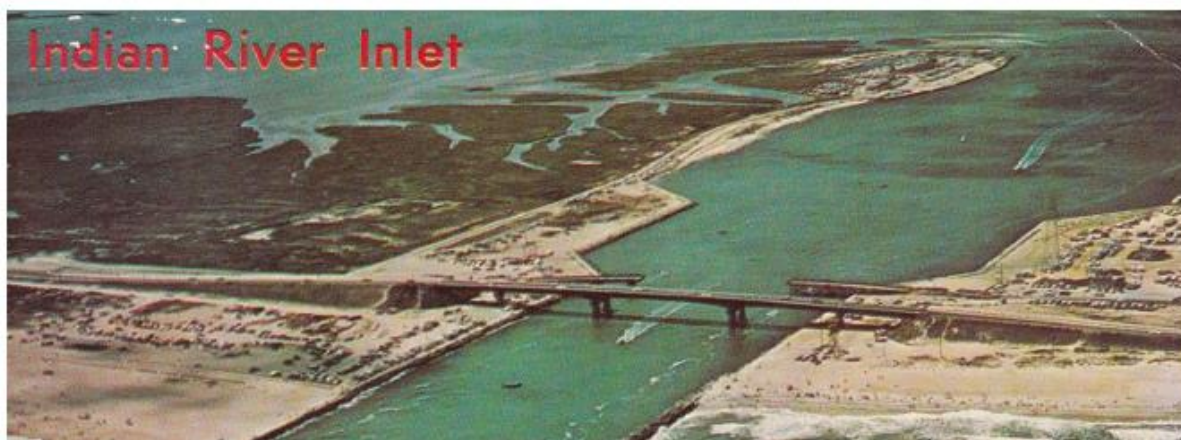
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Collecting the Columbia Bank and Bridge Company

[2024-08-28-Ney-Scott-Collecting-Columbia-Bank-PH.pdf \(lcps-stamps.org\)](https://www.lcps-stamps.org/2024-08-28-Ney-Scott-Collecting-Columbia-Bank-PH.pdf)

A Trip to the Seashore



[2024-08-28-Ney-Scott-A-Trip-to-the-Seashore.pdf \(lcp-stamps.org\)](https://www.lcps-stamps.org/2024-08-28-Ney-Scott-A-Trip-to-the-Seashore.pdf)

Earthquake Philately

Geophysicist and PSLC member [Rob Sternberg](#) shared a few items from his collection related to the 1925 Santa Barbara earthquake. You can check out this presentation, which is hosted by the [APS YouTube channel](#), at the link below; his presentation starts around 22:10 and lasts about 10 minutes.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4iEYwWunXvo&list=PLPW21u9emdXRXw4R_q1wNUCsuUgMxtUQr

Member Requests and Notices

Members of the PSLC may submit a notice of collecting interests and requests for research at no cost. Please email your requests to the newsletter editor for consideration. We will run your items for a minimum of two to three months unless otherwise directed.

Research Request: Pawling, Patterson & surrounding PO's, Dutchess & Putnam Co., NY: Stampless, Classic, Modern; Postcards, Bank Checks, Advertisements, Victorian Trading Cards, Bank Tags, Currency. Includes Pauling(s), Pawling(s)ville, Campbell(s)ville, Pawlings, Pawling, N. Quaker Hill, Quaker Hill, Farmer's Hill, Stonehouse, W. Pawling, Holmes, Haviland Hollow, Wingdale, Wing's Station. Looking to see images and also acquire. Contact Dr. Charles J. DiComo at charlesdicomo@gmail.com or +1 (914) 450-3791

Research Request: U.S. Private Die Proprietary 'Match & Medicines' Revenues, issued stamps, post-tax labels, facsimiles on original packaging (bottles, boxes, tins), wrappers, product inserts, almanacs,

billheads, etc. Looking to see images and also acquire. Contact Dr. Charles J. DiComo at charlesdicomo@gmail.com or +1 (914) 450-3791

Research Request: Terry Hursh is looking for covers from West Overton (1861 – 1902) and Broad Ford (1861 – 1956) in southwestern Pennsylvania. West Overton Post Office was located in Westmoreland County, and Broad Ford was located in Fayette County. Terry is also searching for material related to the Overholt Distillery or Henry Clay Frick Coal Mines. Anything that you can share about these places in the past might be of great interest to Terry. Please contact him at revhursh@gmail.com.

Research Request: Material of ANY kind pertaining to well-known stamp and First Day Cover dealer Elmer R. Long. Rick is putting together a presentation and talk for 2025 and is trying to complete a set of Mr. Long’s little “Collector’s Handbooks” which came out at least annually from 1935 to 1964. If you have any of those, or any correspondence or interesting paper material relating to Elmer Long, please contact Rick at rickbarrettmail@comcast.net anytime. If you ever met or did business with Mr. Long, he’d love to hear from you as well.

Research Request: Looking for the following DC-4 Skymaster plate blocks: C32 – 23493 LL&LR, 23494 LR, 23523 UL &LR; C33 – 23590 UL. Please contact Tom Nichols at tnicholspa@gmail.com.

Member Anniversaries

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Date Joined</u> | <u>Years</u> |
|------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Joe Berlin | 09/13/2016 | 8 |
| Peter Billis | 09/01/1986 | 38 |
| Stephanie Harper | 09/14/2016 | 8 |
| Aaron Heckler | 09/15/2016 | 8 |
| Claire Hostetter | 09/11/2013 | 11 |
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| James Savage | 09/10/2015 | 9 |

Happy PSLC anniversary!

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General Information

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PSLC dues are \$10.00 a year. For existing members who want to renew their membership for 1 or more years, and/or make a donation to support our Society activities and programs, you can use PayPal-Friends by remitting payment to President Charles J. DiComo, PhD at charlesdicomo@gmail.com and denote in Notes section the reason for payment, your name, and how many years you are paying. Venmo can also be used @charlesdicomo. For new members, please mail/email your [Membership Application](#) along with a check or money order to Treasurer, Lou DiFelice.

We meet in-person on the 2nd Wednesday of the month (Except August & December) at 6:30 p.m. in the Crossings Meeting Room, Landis Homes, 1001 East Oregon Road, Lititz, PA 17542. See our website for directions.

We meet virtually on the 4th Wednesday at 6:15 p.m. For society information and meeting links, contact Paul Petersen (pcpetersen@comcast.net).

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