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On the cover

Front: 24c Inverted Jenny (lot 3590)
Buffalo Balloon tête-bêche (lot 3601)
Back: Vin Fiz on cover (lot 3501)
Above: Clayton N.M. Fair Grounds (lot 3568)
Return in Five days to
W. J. EVANS,
Staple and Fancy Groceries.
DEMING, - N. M.

Miss Cota Melicca store
Cir. 17 and Jefferson
Oakland,
604-1, California

3501 front

3501 back
3501 detail

1911, 25c Black, Rodgers “Vin Fiz”, Unofficial Air Post (CL2, AAMC 2). Cut close as always with tiny piece out at top, affixed to back of flown cover and tied by “Oakland Cal. Nov. 6 8:30AM Panama Pacific Exposition in San Francisco 1915” receiving machine cancel, address side with 1c Green (374) tied by “Imperial Junction Cal. Nov. 4, 1911 A.M.” circular datestamp, addressed to Miss Rosa Benicia Stone, Oakland Cal., Deming N.M. grocer’s printed corner card, cover roughly opened at right, small tear at bottom and few small waterstains, all clear of stamps and markings

VERY FINE. OF THE TWELVE RECORDED EXAMPLES (EIGHT ON MAIL) OF THE VIN FIZ, THIS IS THE ONLY VIN FIZ STAMP KNOWN ON AN ENVELOPE. IN THIS RESPECT, THE COVER IS UNIQUE AND AN IMPORTANT ARTIFACT OF THE FIRST SUCCESSFUL TRANS-CONTINENTAL FLIGHT

With photocopy of original letter reading “Deming, New Mexico, October 30, 1911, My Dear Benicia: I have hurried in from the lightning place of the Vin Fiz to mail this letter to you. I am somewhat nervous, but the airship is not at all so. It came in at 12:30 and after circling the city, settled on the show ground. Tell your uncle Dick and he will tell you where that is. Love to all, and I wish that I could come with the letter. Lovingly, Aunt Sallie”. The cover began its journey on Oct. 30 at Deming, and made stops in Lordsburgh N.M. (Oct. 30), Willcox Ariz (Oct. 31), Tucson and Maricopa Ariz. (Nov. 1), Phoenix and Stoval Ariz. (Nov. 2) and Imperial Junction Cal. (Nov. 3). From there, it was forwarded by ground transportation to Oakland.

Our updated census of Vin Fiz stamps and covers can be viewed at our website at http://www.siegelauctions.com/enc/census/c12/c12.htm

The lot also includes two unused Vin Fiz postcards with pictures of Rodgers and the Vin Fiz in flight and Rodgers and Vin Fiz crash debris at Middletown N.Y.

Scott Retail and AAMC value ................................................................. 50,000.00
UNITED STATES PIONEER FLIGHTS

Values quoted from the American Air Mail Catalogue

3502  1911, Sep. 23-Oct. 1, Garden City-Mineola N.Y. (AAMC 3). 1c Green tied by Sep. 23 (First Day of meet) flight cancel on photo postcard showing plane on ground, “Aerial Special Despatch” hs cachet, to the Waldorf Astoria, New York City, Extremely Fine ........ 500.00

3503  1911, Sep. 23-Oct. 1, Garden City-Mineola, N.Y. (AAMC 3a-3c, 3e). Collection of four covers, nine post cards and one unused voucher for an airplane ride, dates incl. Sep. 24 (two), Sep. 25, Sep. 26, Sep. 27, Sep. 28 (two), Sep. 29 (two), Sep. 30 (two), Oct. 1 (two incl. one with “1” inverted and one with picture of Ovington), few with light creases, each with hs cachet, generally Very Fine .................................................. Not illustrated 2,250.00

3504  1911, Sep. 23-Oct. 1, Garden City-Mineola, N.Y. (AAMC 3). 2c Carmine tied by two strikes of Sep. 23 (First Day of meet) flight cancel to Cantonment Fla., signed “Earle Ovington, First U.S. Air Mail Pilot” and “With pleasure, Wm. H. Taft April 28th, 1926”, usual handstamp cachet, Extremely Fine cover and signatures .................................................. Not illustrated 500.00

3505  1911, Oct. 4-6, St. Louis, Missouri Aviation Meet (AAMC 5-5c). Six post cards, dates incl. Oct. 4 (two incl. one signed by a pilot — W.R. Brookins), Oct. 5, Oct. 6 (two with different color cancels), Oct. 7. Fine-Very Fine .................................................. Not illustrated 1,000.00

3506  1911, Oct. 4-8, St. Louis Mo. Aviation Meet, Hydroplane (AAMC 5d). Bold cancel on locally addressed 1c Red Postal Card (UX23), Extremely Fine, superb in every respect, AAMC states less than fifteen known ................................................................. 500.00

3507  1911, Oct. 4-8, St. Louis Mo. Aviation Meet, Hydroplane (AAMC 5d). 2c Carmine tied by “St. Louis Mo. Oct. 6 1:30 PM 1911” machine cancel and flight cancel on locally addressed postcard, card with rounded corners and picture side with small faults, otherwise Fine.............................. 500.00
3508

1911, Oct. 17-20, Minneapolis Minn.-Rock Island Ill., Mississippi River Flight (AAMC 6). 2c Carmine (375), defective, tied by “Minneapolis Minn. Oct. 12 4:00 PM 1911” machine cancel on cover with bank’s printed corner card to LaCrosse Wis., ms. “Care of Aviator Robinson Hydro-Aeroplane Route” at lower left, accompanied by 1933 newspaper article about the flight, cover opened roughly at right clear of stamp, otherwise Fine, with 1982 P.F. certificate, AAMC states of the 600-800 reportedly flown, less than ten are known.......................................................... 2,000.00

3509

1911, Oct. 17-20, Minneapolis Minn.-Rock Island Ill. Mississippi River Flight (AAMC 6b). 2c Carmine, s.e. at left, tied by “Minneapolis, Minn. Oct. 11 6:30PM” machine cancel on cover to Red Wing Minn., with violet “Delivered by Hyro-Aero Plane Route From Winona” [sic] two-line handstamp and ms. “c/o Hugh Robinson Hydro Aeroplane Route” at lower left, cover with rounded corners, otherwise Fine, the pilot, Hugh Robinson, was scheduled to stop in Red Wing, but he missed the stop either due to poor weather or simple pilot error and landed in Winona. Mail was sent by truck from Red Wing to Winona to make the plane. Of the 600-800 pieces reportedly flown, less than ten are known, with 2001 A.P.S. certificate.......................................................... 2,000.00
3510  
1911, Oct. 17-20, Minneapolis Minn.-Rock Island Ill. Mississippi River Flight (AAMC 6c). 1c Green tied by "La Crosse Wis. Oct. 13 12:00 PM 1911" machine cancel on photo postcard depicting Pilot Hugh Robinson in his hydroplane, addressed to Winona Minn., Extremely Fine, less than ten known .................................................. 2,000.00

3511  
1911, Nov. 3-5, Louisville, Kentucky. Aero Military Tournament (AAMC 8). 1c Green tied by well-struck special tournament cancel on postcard to Louisville Ky.  
VERY FINE AND CHOICE EXAMPLE OF THIS SCARCE PIONEER FLIGHT.  
While dated Nov. 4th, this cover was flown on Nov. 5 because there were no flights on the 4th. AAMC states "very few known" .................................................. 4,000.00
3512  1911, Nov. 16-18, Atlanta Ga. Atlanta Speedway Aviation Meet (AAMC 10b). Perfectly struck Nov. 18 flight cancel on 1c Red Postal Card (UX24) to Cambridge Mass., reverse blank, Extremely Fine ................................................................................. 500.00

3513  1911, Nov. 25-28, Savannah Ga. Athletic Park Aviation Meet (AAMC 11, 11a). Four, incl. No. 11 with 1c Green tied by purple flight cancel on postcard, No. 11a with purple flight cancel on 2c Red entire (U385), No. 11a with purple flight cancel on 1c Red Postal Card (UX 24), and No. 11a with black flight cancel on 1c Blue Postal Card (UX22), Very Fine, the entire is one of five reported examples........................................ Not illustrated 600.00

3514  1911, Dec. 28, Albany Ga. South Atlantic League Aviation Meet (AAMC 13). Two, one with 1c Green tied by violet flight cancel on postcard to Sylvester Ga., other side with poem “They’re Flying High at Albany”, second with violet flight cancel on locally addressed 2c Red entire, Albany Ga. printed corner card, postcard with light creases, otherwise Very Fine..........................................................(Photo Ex) 400.00

3515  1912, Jan. 1-2, Wilmington N.C. Highwood Park Aviation Meet (AAMC 14). Jan. 1 flight cancel on locally addressed 1c Blue postal card (UX22), message side with printed notice of the meeting of the Fraternal Mystic Circle, Very Fine, AAMC states less than ten pieces known from the 1,600 flown .......................................................... 700.00

3516  1912, Jan. 20-28, Los Angeles Cal. Dominguez Field Aviation Meet (AAMC 15, 15a, 15b). Two postcards and five covers comprising No. 15 (Jan. 28), 15a (three incl. two Jan. 21 and one Jan 28 — latter signed by pilot Glenn L. Martin), No. 15b (two Jan. 27 and one Jan. 28), two postcards with violet four line handstamp cachet, Very Fine group...... .................................................................(Photo Ex) 875.00

3517  1912, Feb. 17-25, Oakland Cal. Emeryville Race Track Aviation Meet (AAMC 16). 1c Green tied by Feb. 17 (First Day) flight cancel on locally addressed picture postcard depicting the fire boat “Dennis T. Sullivan”, Extremely Fine................................. 275.00
1912, Feb. 17-25, Oakland Cal. Emeryville Race Track Aviation Meet (AAMC 16a). 1c Green tied by Feb. 18 flight cancel on photo postcard of the pilot, Lincoln Beachy, in his cockpit, addressed to Waterloo Ill., message reads, “...Beachey went up 5000 ft. and glided to earth. 6 men in the air at one time...Am writing this at aviation field...”, Very Fine...... 300.00

1912, Feb. 17-25, Oakland Cal. Emeryville Race Track Aviation Meet (AAMC 16d). 1c Green, s.e. at bottom, tied by Feb. 24 flight cancel on photo postcard depicting Phil O. Parmalee at the meet, addressed to Austin Nev., Very Fine ..................... 300.00

1912, Mar. 2-3, Sacramento Cal. Agricultural Park Aviation Meet (AAMC 17a). 1c Green tied by bold Mar. 3 flight cancel on photo postcard of Miss Blanche Scott at the aviation meet, with defective 1c Postage Due with blue crayon “precancel”, Very Fine............... 500.00

1912, Mar. 17, Galveston-La Marque Tex. National School Grounds Aviation Meet (AAMC 19). 1c Green tied by postmark with round comma on locally addressed photo postcard of an airplane and the “Aerial” mail booth with large printed “Aviator Paul Studensky receiving U.S. Aerial mail at Galveston, Texas.”, card with rounded corners and couple small corner creases, otherwise Fine................................................................. 300.00

1912, Apr. 6-7, San Diego Cal. Coronado Polo Grounds Aviation Meet (AAMC 21). 1c Green, s.e. at top, tied by magenta Apr. 6 flight cancel on photo postcard of a man watching a plane in flight, printed “Glenn H. Curtiss watching the aerial antics of Horace Kearney. Souvenir of San Diego aviation meet. April 6-7, 1912.” to Medford Ore., Very Fine............... (Photo Ex) 600.00

1912, Apr. 10, New Orleans-Baton Rouge and Return. City to City Experimental Flight (AAMC 22). Two locally addressed picture postcards, each with 1c Green tied by “New Orleans La. Apr. 10 3:30PM 1912” duplex cancel and magenta hs cachet, one with ornate design of the 35th Anniversary of the Catholic Knights of America, other with view of New Orleans City Park, minor flaws, otherwise Very Fine................................. (Photo Ex) 800.00

1912, Apr. 21, Eureka Cal. New Era Park Aviation Meet (AAMC 23). Two locally addressed postcards, first with 1c Green tied by flight cancel on photo postcard of Weldon B. Cooke’s plane circling Mt. Tamalpais with small Cooke inset, other on 1c Blue postal card (UX22), latter with small creases, Very Fine, only 147 pieces flown....................... (Photo Ex) 800.00
3525  
**1912, May 16, Marietta Ohio, Marietta Daily Journal Aviation Meet (AAMC 24).** 1c Green tied by well-struck flight cancel on souvenir postcard with plane over Muskingum River, to Sisterville West Va., Very Fine, AAMC states less than ten pieces known from the approximately 1,500 flown.......................................................... 2,500.00

3526  
**1912, May 25, Chicago Ill. Cicero Field-Milwaukee Wis. Record Over-Water Flight (AAMC 26).** 2c Carmine, s.e. at top, tied by well-struck “Chicago Ill. May 25 10:30AM 1912” machine cancel on buff cover with printed Milwaukee Journal corner card to Rabbi Sam’l Hirschberg, Milwaukee Wis., violet five line handstamp and small blue “Via Airship” cachets, cover roughly opened at left, couple small edge tears
FINE. THIS IS THE ONLY ONE OF THE THREE KNOWN FLOWN COVERS FROM THIS FLIGHT IN PRIVATE HANDS.
According to the AAMC, the other two belong to museums. Illustrated in the AAMC .......................................................... 2,500.00
1912, May 30-June 1, Milwaukee Wis. State Fair Grounds Aviation Meet (AAMC 28). 1c Green tied by bold May 30 (First Day of Meet) flight cancel on photo postcard of Miss Julia Clark “Daring Girlbird” in her cockpit, to Ft. Atkinson Wis., Very Fine, according to AAMC, “very few May 30 pieces have survived” ........................................... 1,500.00

1912, May 30-June 1, Milwaukee Wis. State Fair Grounds Aviation Meet (AAMC 28). Well-struck May 30 (First Day of Meet) flight cancel on locally addressed 1c Red Postal Card (UX24), message side reads “Dear Mother: This was delivered by aeroplane. They have a special post office out here. Paul”, Extremely Fine, according to AAMC, “very few May 30 pieces have survived” ........................................... 1,500.00

1912, May 30-June 1, Milwaukee Wis. State Fair Grounds Aviation Meet (AAMC 28). Almost perfectly struck June 1 flight cancel on 2c Red on Blue entire (U414) to L.D. Peaslee, Public Museum, Milwaukee, Wis. EXTREMELY FINE. THIS IS THE ONLY PIECE OF MAIL POSTMARKED JUNE 1 FROM THE AVIATION MEET.

According to AAMC, due to poor attendance and windy weather that caused many crashes on May 31, the meet was canceled at 4PM on May 31. This cover was prepared but never flown. Ex Lettick ............................................................... 2,000.00


1912, June 3-9, Lexington Ky. Racetrack Aviation Meet (AAMC 31). 1¢ Green tied by “Lexington Ky. Jun. 2 4:30PM 1912” flag cancel and “Wheaton Ill. Jun. 3 9AM 1912” machine cancel on photo postcard depicting Jas. Ward in the cockpit of his plane, to San Antonio Texas, Extremely Fine — no mail from this meet was ever flown due to bad weather on June 8 and 9, the postmaster waited until June 13 before sending it by train.......................................................... 500.00

1912, June 6-8, Lima O. Lima Driving Park Aviation Meet (AAMC 33b). 1¢ Green tied by Lima Ohio oval cancel on locally addressed picture postcard of Lima’s Carnegie Library, violet boxed “Aeroplane Mail Service Jun. 8 1912 Lima, Ohio” cachet at top, picture side with couple small scuffs, otherwise Very Fine .......................... 250.00
1912, June 7-8, Mansfield O., Fair Grounds Aviation Meet (AAMC 34). 1c Green tied by Mansfield Ohio oval cancel and beautifully struck violet flight cancel on locally addressed Mansfield Daily News souvenir postcard, Extremely Fine, only five to ten cards known, ex Lettick ................................................................. 2,000.00

1912, June 27-28, Portsmouth, Ohio. Milbrook Driving Park Aviation Meet (AAMC 35). Well-struck three-line flight cancel on 2c Red on Manila entire (U415) to Cambridge Mass., “Aero Plane Route No. 900006” two-line cachet at top left, Very Fine .... 250.00


1912, July 12-13, Hamilton O. Butler County Fair Aviation Meet (AAMC 39a). 2c Carmine (220), soiled, tied by July 13 flight cancel on locally addressed embossed picture postcard, card with rounded corners, otherwise Fine ............................................. 350.00

1912, July 19-22, Coney Island (Cincinnati), Ohio. Queen City Aviation Meet (AAMC 41a). 1c Green tied by “California Ohio Jul. 22” duplex cancel on locally addressed photo postcard of scene at Coney Island Cincinnati, three-line magenta handstamp cachet, card with rounded corners and light toning, otherwise Fine................................................................ 750.00

1912, Aug. 3, Hohokus-Ridgewood, New Jersey. Hohokus Driving Park Aviation Meet (AAMC 45). 2c Carmine tied by lightly struck flight cancel on cover to Ridgewood N.J., cover with light toning, otherwise Very Fine, ex Schoendorf ............................................................... 250.00

1912, Aug. 3-10, Ocean City-Stone Harbor N.J. Inter-City Mail and Passenger Service (AAMC 46, 46a). No. 46 with 1c Green tied by “Ocean City Aug. 9-12 6 AM” machine cancel on picture postcard of enormous beached whale to Camden N.J., ms. “Aeroplane”, violet “Ocean City & Stone Harbor Aerial U.S. Mail Service” two-line hs cachet and signed by pilot Marshall E. Reid, No. 46a with Stone Harbor Aug. 19 duplex cancel on 1c Red postal card (UX24) to Cambridge Mass, violet two-line hs cachet, message reads “Dear Sir, I beg to advise that the aeroplane mail service is concluded. It was in operation from 8/3 to 8/13 carrying in four trips from Ocean City N.J. distance 21 miles a total of 11,456 pcs mail (AAMC reports 14,586) and three trips from Stone Harbor N.J. a total of 1,059 pcs. Yours truly, Geo. Greskell.”, Very Fine pair ..............(Photo Ex) 850.00

1912, Aug. 3-10, Ocean City-Stone Harbor N.J. Inter-City Mail and Passenger Service (AAMC 46a). 2c Carmine, s.e. at right, tied by Stone Harbor Aug. 7 duplex cancel on cover to Ocean City and forwarded to Trenton N.J., violet “Ocean City & Stone Harbor Aerial U.S. Mail Service” two-line hs cachet and ms. “Via Aeroplane”, Very Fine............................................. 450.00

1912, Aug. 6-8, Fort Recovery O. Harvest Festival Aviation Meet (AAMC 47, 47a). Both with 1c Green tied by ornate Aug. 6 or 7, 1912 flight cancel on two different official photo postcards of plane in flight, No. 47 locally addressed, No. 47a with stamp on picture side to H.A. Truby, New Kensington Pa., latter with two small mounting adherences on message side, Very Fine.................................(Photo Ex) 550.00

1912, Aug. 10-11, Portland Ore.-Vancouver Wash. Country Club Aviation Meet (AAMC 48a). 1c Green tied by “Portland Oregon Aug. 11, 4PM 1912 Aviation Station” duplex cancel on photo postcard of pilot Walter Edwards in his cockpit, to Grand Rapids Wis., violet hs cachet, Very Fine ......................................................... 250.00
3545 1912, Aug. 14, Cicero-Chicago Ill. (AAMC Addendum). 2c Carmine tied by “Cicero Ill. Aug. 14 5PM 1912” flag cancel on cover to Cambridge Mass., ms. “Via Aeroplane”, “Chicago Ill. Aug. 14 8PM 1912” receiving backstamp, cover with paperfolds prior to usage, otherwise Very Fine, listed in the AAMC addendum “either because data is inconclusive or because mail from such flights have not been found.” E. 200-300

3546 1912, Aug. 20-23, Rockport Ind. Rockport Fair Grounds Aviation Meet (AAMC 49a, 49b). Each with 1c Green tied by Aug. 22 or Aug. 23 flight cancel on souvenir picture postcard, No. 49a to Cody Wyo., No. 49b to Asheville N.C., cards with light creases, otherwise Very Fine. 300.00

3547 1912, Aug. 23-24, Plainfield, N.J., Plainfield Driving Park Aviation Meet (AAMC 50, 50a). Three incl. No. 50 (two) incl. 1c Green tied by Aug. 23 flight cancel on photo postcard of pilot Latham climbing into his plane and 2c Carmine tied by Aug. 23 flight cancel on locally addressed cover, No. 50a with 1c Green, s.e. at left, tied by Aug. 24 flight cancel on picture postcard to Boston, Very Fine. (Photo Ex) 450.00

3548 1912, Aug. 28-31, Boonville Ind. Fair Grounds Aviation Meet (AAMC 51a). 1c Green tied by Aug. 29 flight cancel on locally addressed souvenir postcard of plane and crew, Very Fine. 300.00

3549 1912, Sep. 6-7, Cedar Falls Ia. Golf Links Aviation Meet (AAMC 53). 1c Pan American (294) tied by perfectly struck flight cancel on plain post card, second strike on back, message dated Sept. 5, so this probably flew on the 6th, typed message reads “This card is mailed to you from the Aviation Field and carried by aero-mail. Keep it as a souvenir. Yours, Bill”, Extremely Fine. 300.00

3550 1912, Sep. 10-12, Columbia Tenn. Fair Grounds Aviation Meet (AAMC 54). Well-struck flight cancel on 1c Green message reply card to Karl Koslowski in Detroit Mich. Very Fine, only 429 pieces flown. 500.00

1912, Sep. 16-22, Chicago Ill. Grant Park Aviation Meet (AAMC 56). 1c Green tied by violet “Aerial Mail” circular datestamp and “Chicago Ill. Sep. 22 7PM 1912” machine cancel on picture postcard of Michigan Blvd. in Chicago at night, to H.A. Truby, New Kensington Pa., card with small edge flaws, otherwise Fine.............................. 300.00

1912, Sep. 28, Puyallup-Tacoma Wash. Crawford’s Puget Sound Aerial Mail (AAMC 60). “Tacoma Wash. Sep. 28 1PM 1912” Panama Pacific Expo cancel on locally addressed 1c Blue postal card (UX22) specially printed for the flight, Extremely Fine, AAMC states “very few are known today in collectors' hands” ...................................................... 600.00

1912, Oct. 4-12, Springfield-Williamsville Ill. State Fair Grounds Aviation Meet, Mail Flown by Kearney (AAMC 61a). Oct. 10 flight cancel on locally addressed 2c Red entire with light reddish hues, Very Fine................................................................. 400.00


1912, Oct. 31-Nov. 2, Cuthbert Ga. Fair Grounds Aviation Meet (AAMC 64b). Light strike of Nov. 2 flight cancel on 1c Red postal card (UX24) to Savannah Ga., Very Fine, only 107 pieces carried over the three days with 57 being flown on Nov. 2 ...... 300.00

1912, Nov. 24, San Francisco Cal. Ingleside Park Aviation Meet (AAMC 65). Flight cancel on locally addressed 2c Red entire, Extremely Fine and scarce, approximately 50 items flown ........................................................................... 400.00
3558  1913, Jan. 13-Mar. 10, Boston Mass.-New York N.Y. First Aerial Parcel Post Service (AAMC 67). 1c Panama Pacific (397), vertical pair, tied by well-struck “New Haven Conn. Feb. 28 2:30PM 1913” flag cancel on cover to New York City, ms. “By via First Aeroplane Parcel Post Harry M. Jones, Aviator”, Truby’s address stamped on top backflap, tiny crease and tear just below “Ha” in “Harry”, otherwise Very Fine, illustrated in AAMC, one of eight letters known from this flight ............................................................ 1,500.00

3559  1913, May 17-18, Santa Rosa Cal. Driving Park Aviation Meet (AAMC 70). 1c Panama-Pacific (397), horizontal pair, tied by flight cancel on pristine cover to San Francisco, Extremely Fine, only 493 items flown......................................................... 450.00

3560  1913, May 17-18, Santa Rosa Cal. Driving Park Aviation Meet (AAMC 70). 2c Panama-Pacific (398) tied by flight cancel on pristine cover to San Francisco (different person but same address as previous lot), Extremely Fine, 493 items flown................. 450.00

3561  1913, May 17-18, Santa Rosa Cal. Driving Park Aviation Meet (AAMC 70). 1c Panama-Pacific (397) tied by flight cancel on touristy California postcard to Beloit Iowa, message reads “This card will be carried by Silas Christopherson in his aeroplane from the Fairgrounds to the P.O. today. The Santa Rosa Aviation & Auto Polo meet is held here today and also was to be yesterday had it not rained all day. . .” card with light horizontal crease, otherwise Fine, 493 items flown ................................................................. 450.00

3562  1913, Sep. 2, Rutland Vt. Rutland Fair Aviation Exhibition (AAMC 71). 1c Green tied by flight cancel on picture postcard of downtown Rutland to Mrs. A. Schmitt in Rutland (possible relative of pilot George Schmitt, who died in crash on Sep. 2 after delivering the mail), light strike of flight cancel and Truby handstamp on picture side, also incl. two unused postcards with pictures of Schmitt in his cockpit, the first is addressed and with a written message but no stamp and the second has a stamp but no message or address, Very Fine, only 57 pieces of mail flown......................................................... 600.00
3563 1913, Sep. 9-11, Carmi Ill. Fair Grounds Aviation Meet (AAMC 73). “Carmi Ill. Sep. 10 3PM 1913” duplex cancel and violet “Mailed via Airship” handstamp cachet on 1c Black Postal Card (UX19) to K. Kleschowski, Detroit Mich., message side blank, Extremely Fine, superb in every respect ................................................................. 200.00

3564 1913, Sep. 17-20, Hicksville Ohio Defiance County Agricultural Society Fair Exhibition Flight (AAMC 74). 1c Green, small fault, affixed to photo postcard of “Patterson Aviators” to Harry Truby, New Kensington Pa., with Truby handstamp on picture side, violet “First Aeroplane Mail Hicksville, O. Sept. 17-20, 13” two-line handstamp cachet, no postal markings

VERY FINE. THIS IS THE ONLY KNOWN PIECE OF MAIL PREPARED FOR THIS FAIR.

According to the AAMC, the weather was so uncooperative that the fair was cancelled without any mail being flown. This cover is one of the key pieces to a collection of U.S. pioneer flights. Ex Lettick ................................................................. 1,500.00

3565 1913, Sep. 22-27, Helena Mont. State Fair Aviation Exhibition (AAMC 75a). 1c Green tied by magenta Sep. 24 flight cancel on locally addressed photo postcard of pilot Katherine Stinson (the first woman to fly official U.S. mail), address and message entirely in Stinson’s hand reads, “Well here’s hoping we have nice weather the remainder of the meet. Katherine” with note on the picture side, “No. I didn’t go through this fence.”. Very Fine, ex Lettick ................................................................. 1,500.00

3566 1914, May 30-Sep. 7, Chautauqua N.Y. Experimental Hydro-Aeroplane Mail Service (AAMC 80b). Celeron Jul. 30, 1914 cancel on 1c Red Postal Card (UX24) with printed address to R.H. Potter, South Westport Mass., Type 2 handstamp cachet, Extremely Fine, Jul. 30 is previously unreported date for a flight from Celeron, ex Lettick ...... 350.00

3567 1914, May 30-Sep. 7, Chautauqua N.Y. Experimental Hydro-Aeroplane Mail Service (AAMC 80d). Three picture postcards with 1c Green tied by Chautauqua Jul. 27 (two) and Sep. 7 flag cancels and magenta Type 2 two-line handstamp cachet, two Jul. 27 with photo of Engel’s plane over Chautauqua Lake to Ohio and Pa., Sep. 7 to Truby, New Kensington Pa., Very Fine .................................................(Photo Ex) 1,050.00
1914, Sep. 17-18, Clayton N.M., Fair Grounds Aviation Meet, (AAMC 79). 1c Green tied by Sept. 17 oval flight cancel on photo postcard of plane flying low over field to Mrs. Julia Means, Logansport Ind., message reads, “Dear Mother, Am at the fair and am sending this card to the Post Office in an Aeroplane. Robert”, signed at top by pilot Floyd Smith, Very Fine, according to the AAMC, only four of the 326 pieces of mail flown are known, ex Lettick .......................................................... 4,000.00
3569  1914, Nov. 3, Troy Ala. Pike County Fair Aviation Demonstration (AAMC 83). Neat strike of flight cancel on 1c Red Postal Card (UX24) to Savannah Ga., message side simply reads, “I am worthwhile.” also incl. photo of Stinson, Extremely Fine ...........................................  200.00
3571  1915, Aug. 7-8, Port Huron Mich.-Driving Park Aviation Exhibition (AAMC 86b). 1c Green tied by two-line handstamp cachet on picture postcard of Port Huron tunnel entrance to Detroit Mich., card with small corner crease, otherwise Very Fine, 176 pieces flown..............................  500.00
3573  1915, Sep. 6-14, Detroit Mich., State Fair Aviation Meet (AAMC 88b). 2c Carmine, s.e. at bottom, tied by Detroit Sep. 9 duplex on locally addressed cover, violet three-line handstamp cachet, printed “Michigan State Fair Detroit” corner card, Truby backstamp, Very Fine, ex Lettick...............................  250.00
3574  1915, Sep. 13-17, Milwaukee Wis. State Fair Grounds Aviation Meet (AAMC 89-89d). Complete set of flight cancels incl. Sep. 13-16 on 1c Green Postal Cards (UX27), Sep. 17 on 2c Red entire, Extremely Fine group........................................................................ (Photo Ex)  500.00
3575  1915, Sep. 13-17, Milwaukee Wis. State Fair Grounds Aviation Meet (AAMC 89a-89c). No. 89b (two), others one each, No. 89a with 1c Green tied to picture postcard of Milwaukee Race Track, No. 89b on 1c Green Postal Card (UX27) to Buffalo N.Y., and 1c Green entire to Madison Wisc., and No. 89c with 1c Green tied by Sep. 16 flight cancel to special souvenir postcard featuring Patterson Aviators mailed by John Patterson to his office in Detroit, Very Fine............................................. (Not illustrated)  400.00
3576  1916, Oct. 5, West Branch Mich. Driving Park Aviation Meet (AAMC 91a). 1c Green Imperforate, vertical pair, tied by well-struck flight cancel with year date inverted on cover to Detroit Mich., fresh and Extremely Fine, only 150 pieces carried, interesting variety.................................  500.00
3577 1916, Oct. 14, Ithaca N.Y. Experimental Aeroplane Mail Flight (AAMC 96). 1c Green tied by Ithaca Oct. 16 machine cancel on locally addressed picture postcard of the Ithaca City Hospital, blue boxed flight handstamp cachet
VERY FINE AND CHOICE. OF THE APPROXIMATELY 1,000 PIECES OF MAIL FLOWN, ONLY TEN ARE RECORDED.
The mail was delayed as the flight was rescheduled from Oct. 13 to Oct. 14 due to inclement weather. The pilot then erred by dropping the mail in the woods from which it was not recovered and deposited into the general mail stream until Oct. 16.................... 3,000.00

3578 1916, Nov. 2, Chicago Ill.-New York, N.Y. “New York Times” Aerial Post (AAMC 97). 2c Carmine, small faults, and 10c Special Delivery tied by Chicago duplex cancels on legal-size Chicago Post Office Department official cover to Otto Praeger, Second Asst. P.M.G., Washington D.C., black boxed four-line handstamp cachet, New York, Washington Nov. 3 and Washington Nov. 9 receiving circular datestamps, Extremely Fine example of one of the 95 flown covers .................................................. 500.00

3579 PIONEER FLIGHT BALANCE. Seventeen covers or post cards incl. AAMC Nos. 7, 9 (three), 12, 25 (two), 29a (two), 32, 40a (two), 42 (two), 59 (two) and 72, few with small faults, generally Very Fine group .......................................................... Not illustrated 2,600.00
3580 ** 6c-24c 1918-23 Air Post (C1-C6). Mint N.H., bright colors, beautifully centered, No. C6 tiny natural gum skip, Very Fine-Extremely Fine set ................................ (Photo Ex) 745.00

3581 ★ 6c-24c 1918-23 Air Post (C1-C3, C5). Blocks of four incl. Nos. C1 and C2 centerline blocks. No. C3 top margin arrow block and No. C5 left margin block with plate no., eight stamps Mint N.H. incl. Nos. C2 (four), C3 and C5 (two each). No. C1 lightly hinged, Nos. C3 and C5 top pairs h.r., No. C3 (three stamps) natural gum crease, otherwise Very Fine .............................................................. (Photo Ex) 1,820.00

3582 ★ 6c Orange, 1918 Air Post (C1). Top plate no. and arrow block of twelve, top left corner pair small hinge reinforcement, otherwise Mint N.H., vivid color, Fine-Very Fine.......................... 1,630.00

3583 ★ 6c Orange, 1918 Air Post (C1). Plate no. and arrow block of six, center pair small h.r., other four stamps Mint N.H., bottom left stamp tiny natural inclusion, Fine-Very Fine.......................... 750.00

3584 ★ 16c Green, 1918 Air Post (C2). Top plate no. and arrow block of six, bottom corner stamps Mint N.H., otherwise lightly hinged, dark shade and choice centering. Very Fine.......................... 1,075.00

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3585 ★★ 24c Carmine Rose & Blue, 1918 Air Post (C3). Mint N.H., bright colors, beautifully centered with wide even margins, Extremely Fine ................................................ 145.00

3586 ★★ 24c Carmine Rose & Blue, 1918 Air Post (C3). Mint N.H. with plate no., almost perfectly centered with Jumbo margins, bright colors, light fingerprint on gum and tiny natural inclusion on gum, appears Extremely Fine ................................................ 145.00

3587 ★★ 24c Carmine Rose & Blue, 1918 Air Post (C3). Mint N.H. with plate no., lightly hinged in margin only, stamp Mint N.H., dark colors, post-office fresh and Very Fine ........................................ 145.00

3588 ★★★ 24c Carmine Rose & Blue, 1918 Air Post (C3). Top double plate no., arrow and double “Top” block of twelve, stamps Mint N.H., lightly hinged in top center margin, fresh color, tiny natural inclusion and couple small natural gum skips, Fine-Very Fine ........................................ 1,225.00

3589 ★★★ 24c Carmine Rose & Blue, 1918 Air Post (C3). Mint N.H. top double plate no., arrow and double “Top” block of twelve, detailed impressions, small corner crease at lower right, appears Fine-Very Fine ........................................ 1,700.00
1918 24-CENT INVERTED “JENNY”

3590** 24c Carmine Rose & Blue, Center Inverted (C3a). Position 57, rich colors on bright paper, fresh original gum, small light trace of hinging

EXTREMELY FINE. ONE OF THE BEST-CENTERED AND FRESHEST STAMPS FROM THE ORIGINAL SHEET OF 100. FOR THE COLLECTOR SEEKING THE FINEST QUALITY ATTAINABLE, THIS STAMP IS THE IDEAL INVERTED JENNY.

This stamp, with Positions 47-48 and 58, at one time comprised a block of four owned by Eugene Klein. After Klein’s death in 1944, his daughter, Dolores Klein Hertz, was instructed to claim a sealed container held by a Philadelphia bank in accordance with his Will. Resting on top of the various stamp collections in this container was the block of invers.

The Klein-Hertz block was sold by Mrs. Hertz to Robert A. Siegel, who in turn placed it with Raymond H. Weill Co. The block was later sold by the Weills to a collector, Mr. Phillips, whose philatelic estate they acquired in 1968 for just over $4 million. The Weills received Philatelic Foundation certificate number 10,000 prior to splitting the block into singles at their client’s request.

This example comes from the position next to the Zoellner copy (Position 58), which realized $192,500. With 1988 P.F. certificate .................................................. 170,000.00
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<td><strong>8c Dark Green, 1923 Air Post (C4). Mint N.H. top margin plate no. block of six, proof-like impression, post-office fresh and Very Fine</strong></td>
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<td><strong>24c Carmine, 1923 Air Post (C6). Mint N.H. bottom plate no. block of twelve, signed “Harry S. New P.M.G., Irving Glover Third Asst. P.M.G. 8/21/23” and “Louis A. Hill, (BEP) Director”, dark color, Very Fine and choice</strong></td>
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<td><strong>65c-$2.60 Graf Zeppelin (C13-C15). 65c and $1.30 lightly hinged, $2.60 disturbed gum, bright colors, Fine-Very Fine</strong></td>
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3597 ★★ 65c-$2.60 Graf Zeppelin (C13-C15). Mint N.H. bottom plate no. blocks of six, rich colors, usual natural gum skips and bends, 65c with tear in margin
FINE-VERY FINE MINT NEVER-HINGED SET OF GRAF ZEPPELIN PLATE BLOCKS.
An attractive set .............................................................................................................. 22,100.00
3598 ★★★ 50c Chicago Zeppelin (C18). Bottom plate no. block of six, top row small h.r., bottom row Mint N.H. with horizontal gum skip, Very Fine ........................................... 575.00

3599 ★★★ 6c Dark Blue & Carmine, Vertical Pair, Imperforate Horizontally (C23a). Mint N.H. with top right corner margin, bright colors, Very Fine and choice, with Kessler backstamps................................................................. 350.00

3600 ★★ 6c Dark Blue & Carmine, Vertical Pair, Imperforate Horizontally (C23a). Mint N.H. with bottom margin, rich colors, post-office fresh and Extremely Fine, a superb major error ................................................................. 350.00
BUFFALO BALLOON AIR POST SEMI-OFFICIAL

3601 1877, 5c Deep Blue, Buffalo Balloon Air Post Semi-Official (CL1). Large margins all around, full original gum, lightly hinged

EXTREMELY FINE. ONE OF THE FINEST TÊTE-BÊCHE PAIRS OF THE BUFFALO BALLOON STAMP IN EXISTENCE.

The Buffalo Balloon stamp, designed by John F. B. Lillard and engraved by John H. Snively, was printed by Wheeler Brothers Printers in Nashville, Tennessee. Only 300 were printed in tête-bêche arrangement from a single die. The stamps were intended for use on a balloon flight from Nashville to Gallatin, Tennessee, which took place on June 18, 1877. Of the 300 that were printed, only 23 were used...................... 21,500.00
3602 ★★★ 20c Parcel Post (Q8). Top plate no. block of six, five stamps Mint N.H., center stamp at top and selvage h.r., fresh and bright color, well-centered
EXTREMELY FINE AND DESIRABLE PLATE BLOCK OF THE 20-CENT PARCEL POST.
A rare plate block................................................................. 6,500.00

3603 ★★★ AIR POST PLATE BLOCKS. 1926-1996, virtually complete Mint N.H. collection comprising Nos. C4, C7-C12, C16-C18, C19-C31, C46, also incl. booklet panes and line pairs incl. Nos. C10a, C25a, C37, C39a, C41, C51a, C52, C60a, C61, Fine-Very Fine, catalogue to No. C76 over $2,650.00 and face value from Nos. C77-C131 is about $60.00...... Not illustrated E. 600-800

3604 U.S. STAMP ACCUMULATION. Mostly plate no. blocks, better incl. Nos. 650, 740-749, C9, C10, C12, C22, some high denomination express issues to $14, singles incl. Nos. 296, 297, 328-330, 370-373, 803-834, C1, C5, C76 pair with one stamp red patch on shoulder omitted (with 1989 P.S.E. certificate), Q8, RW2 on license, arranged in stockbook, generally Very Fine.............................................................. Not illustrated E. 1,000-1,200
3606 8c-24c 1923 Air Post (C4-C6). Three covers, franked with Nos. C4 and C5 top plate no. blocks of six and No. C6 top plate no. block of ten, each tied by “San Francisco Jul. 1, 1924” duplex cancels to individual large-size flight covers (AAMC 167) addressed to Worden, magenta “US Night Air Mail” and “Via Air Mail” boxed cachets, Nos. C4 and C5 with bold “Special Delivery” at bottom and Registered handstamp crossed out in blue with violet handstamp “Not in Registered Mail”, No. C6 cover reduced at left, Very Fine and rare set.........................................................(Photo) E. 4,000-5,000

3607 8c-24c 1923 Air Post (C4-C6). Two souvenir books of New York City Skyscrapers, one with 8c and 16c, other with 24c, tied by “New York Jun. 30, 1924” duplex cancels, addressed to San Francisco, violet boxed first flight handstamp cachet, books with beautiful multicolor scenes on front and back, inside with text and fold-out pictures of eighteen buildings, minor edgewear does not detract, Very Fine, ex Hennig.................................................................(Photo Ex) E. 200-300
UNITED STATES AIR POST ISSUES ON COVER—GOVERNMENT FLIGHTS

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT FLIGHTS


1918, Sept. 5, New York, N.Y.-Chicago (AAMC 108a). Two covers with No. C2 to Chicago, first tied by bold violet “N.Y. Chic. Aeromail 9.5.18 First Trip” oval cancel, second tied by magenta “Air Mail Service Wash., N.Y., Phila. New York Sep. 15, 1918” duplex cancel (see AAMC 101) with “N.Y. Chic. Aeromail 9.5.18 First Trip” oval cancel on back, Very Fine, AAMC value ................................. (Photo Ex) 250.00

1920, Aug. 30, Milwaukee-Green Bay Wisc. (AAMC 133). Boldly struck flight cancel on 2c Red entire to Waupaca Wisc., Extremely Fine ................................................................. 250.00


1924, July 1, Transcontinental Air Mail Route, New York-San Francisco (AAMC 167). Collection of 106 flown covers, mostly with 8c-24c 1923 Air Post (C4-C6), variety of frankings and cities incl. towns and airfields, some duplication, all with handstamp cachet, also incl. typed lecture given by Mr. Mack with a couple of certificates and a silver medal from Milcopex 1983, Very Fine, a wonderful collection ................................................................. (Photo Ex) E. 2,000-3,000

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**TRANS-OCEANIC FLIGHTS**

3621 1920, Nov. 1, Key West Fla.-Havana Cuba (F.A.M. 4). 3c Purple (530), horizontal pair, tied by “Key West Fla. Nov. 1 1920” and Havana circular datestamp on 3c Purple entire to Havana Cuba, violet “First Trip” and “First Trip Nov. 1-1920 U.S.-Cuba Air Mail” handstamp cachets, light overall toning, otherwise Very Fine .......... (Photo, p. 34) E. 75-100

3622 1923, Apr. 9, First Hydroplane Trip, New Orleans-Pilottown La. Well-struck violet flight cancel and New Orleans Apr. 9 machine cancel on 1c Green Postal Card (UX27) to Harry Truby, neat Canal Zone, Belize transit and Canal Zone receiving cancels on front, Very Fine ................................................................. (Photo, p. 34) E. 100-150

3623 INTERRUPTED FLIGHT COVERS. Three, first is crash at Rock Springs WY (5/5/21) interrupting travel of 2c red legal-size entire from Pasedena Cal. to Chicago, cover with two violet handstamp and few charred edges, second is crash at Park City Utah (3/11/29) interrupting travel of cover with 5c Beacon (C11) from San Rafael Cal. to Wallingford Ct., cover with violet handstamp and charred corners affecting stamp, third is crash at Goshen Ind. (7/2/30) interrupting travel of cover from Cleveland to Milwaukee, with original official Milwaukee Post Office Department cover with original enclosure explaining delay and condition of cover, most of cover burned but stamps and address clearly discernable, Milwaukee is not listed in the AAMC, Fine-Very Fine .......... (Photo Ex, p. 34) E. 100-150

3624 NEWFOUNDLAND, 1919, $1.00 on 50c Scarlet, Alcock Air Post (C2; SG 143, AAMC 1003). Choice centering, tied by “St. Johns Nfld. Jun. 10 3-PM 1919” machine cancel on first nonstop transatlantic flown cover to Liverpool, England, with note on back signed by the Minister of Posts and Telegraphs authenticating the cover as flown on the Newfoundland-Ireland flight by Alcock and Brown in their Vickers-Vimy biplane, Very Fine ................................................................. 2,500.00

3625 GREAT BRITAIN, 1919, Nov. 10, First Flight from England to Australia (AAMC 1013). Australian semi-official stamp with oval “First Aerial Mail Great Britain to Australia Received 26 Feb. 1920” flight cancel, second strike at left, on cover to Albert Park, Victoria, Australia, “J.M. Bennett, Darwin, 12-12-19” (Bennett was on the flight), Very Fine, AAMC states 130 covers flown ................................................................. E. 1,500-2,000
SPAIN, 1926, Apr. 4, First Flight, Madrid-Manila (AAMC 1038d). Spain Nos. C1-C5 & E1 tied by “Corresp. Urgente Madrid 4.Abr.26” double-circle datestamp on cover to Manila, large handstamp cachets on front and back, signed by “Loriga” (co-pilot), cover with rounded corners, otherwise Fine..................................................................................................................(Photo, p. 38) E. 100-150


FOREIGN FLIGHT COVERS AND CARDS. 58 with wide variety of countries, better AAMC listed incl. Austria No. 10a, Great Britain No. 6, USSR No. 4 (unpriced), other countries incl. Germany, India, Iran, Latvia, Poland, Siam, So. West Africa, Syria, also incl. Gimbels Trans-Polar Flight card, generally Very Fine......Not illustrated E. 500-750

ZEPPELIN, CATALPULT, TRANS-OCEANIC AND DOX FLIGHTS. Twelve covers or cards. incl. seven Zeppelin and one to two of the others, better incl. AAMC Nos. 1090a, Z65a, Z107a, Z166c, Very Fine, AAMC Retail ..........................................................Not illustrated 495.00

DENMARK, 1911, Sep. 2, Demonstration Flight, Middelfart-Federica (AAMC 1). Federica double-circle datestamp on 3o locally addressed Postal Card, back with plane in take-off and signed by the pilot Rob Svendsen, with ms. “Via Beltflyvingen 1911”, Very Fine, only 150 flown...........................................................................................................................................(Photo, p. 38) E. 500-750

EGYPT, 1925, Dec. 18, Part of Sir Alan Cobham’s London-Cape Town Experimental Flight (AAMC 12). South Africa No. 5 tied by Capetown Feb. 23, 1926 slogan machine cancel on souvenir postcard commemorating the flight, signed “Alan J. Cobham” on back, violet handstamp cachet on front and back, to Frank G. Stevens, Esq. 148 S. Ridge Road, Durban, S. Africa, card with small corner crease at top left, otherwise Very Fine, also incl. used postcard with photo of Cobham (used in 1927), according to AAMC, only four cards are known and all were mailed by Cobham to his wife, this would be an unreported fifth example of this rare flown card...........................................................................................................................................(Photo, p. 38) E. 750-1,000

FRANCE, Ballon Monte. France 10c Bister on Yellowish (54) and 20c Dull Blue on Bluish (57) tied by round of dots cancels on printed letter-journal dated Dec. 9, 1870 to Les Malines, Belgium, Paris Dec. 10/70 double-circle datestamp, carried on the “General Renault” dispatched Dec. 11, Very Fine...........................................................................................................................................(Photo, p. 38) E. 200-300

FRANCE, Ballon Monte. France 20c Dull Blue on Bluish (57) tied by “17” in star of dots and “Paris 17 Oct. 70 R. Dupont-Neuf” double-circle datestamp on thin paper cover to Amiens (France), sent on the Balloon “Victor Hugo”, Very Fine, with English translation of contents ...........................................................................................................................................(Photo, p. 38) E. 100-150


GREAT BRITAIN, 1907, Oct. 14, International Balloon Flight (AAMC 5). Souvenir postal card, flown without stamp but 2d postage due assessed on arrival in Sussex, England. “Tosse (Sweden) 14.10.97” circular datestamp, card with light creases at sides, otherwise Fine, AAMC states “Although many thousands of cards were prepared and dropped, flown cards are very scarce” ...........................................................................................................................................(Photo, p. 38) E. 100-150

GREAT BRITAIN, 1911, Sep. 9-16, Official Coronation Aerial Post, London-Windsor (AAMC 8a). ½c Yellow Green (151) tied by “First United Kingdom Aerial Post London Sp. 9, 1911” (First Day of ceremony) double-circle datestamp on souvenir card with olive green cachet to the Isle of Wight, card with tiny corner crease at top right, otherwise Very Fine, AAMC states of the various colors, the yellow brown, brown or olive green cards and envelopes are the scarcest...........................................................................................................................................(Photo, p. 38) E. 200-300


MONACO, 1914, Apr. 1-15, Aerial Rally (AAMC 1a-1c). Four flown souvenir cards from London, Madrid, Paris and Milan, each with cancel from that city tying “air stamp”, Extremely Fine group...........................................................................................................................................(Photo, p. 38) E. 150-200

SIEGEL AUCTION GALLERIES – 37 – MARCH 1, 2002
3640 ★ ARGENTINA, 1930, 1p Zeppelin, Overprint Inverted (C22a). Barest trace of hinging, well-centered with boldly struck overprint, remarkably fresh, Extremely Fine, with Sanabria and Gibbons N.Y. backstamps and 1989 A.P.S. certificate................. 475.00

3641 ★ BOLIVIA, 1930, 50c Zeppelin, Red Overprint (C17). Lightly hinged, bright and fresh with bold overprint, Very Fine and choice..................................................... 475.00

3642 CHINA, SINKIANG, 5c Claret (C1). Right margin single, tied by perfectly struck cancel on small piece, Very Fine, signed Chan and Hughes, with Michael Rogers’ guarantee “in perpetuity”.................................................................................................. 85.00

3643 ★ FAR EAST REPUBLIC, 1923, 20k Red Overprint on 20k Red & Blue (Michel 53A). Barest trace of hinging, detailed impression on fresh paper, Very Fine, with 1988 P.F. certificate, unlisted in Scott........................................................Michel DM 2,500.00

3644 ★ FRANCE, 1928, 10fr on 90c Ile de France Air Post (C3). Lightly hinged, well-centered on bright paper, rich color, Very Fine, with 1990 A.P.S. certificate........................... 1,200.00

3645 FRANCE, 1931, 1.50fr “E.I.P.A.30” Air Post (C6b). Right sheet margin with second perf. initials reversed, sharp Exposition cancel mostly in margin barely touches stamp, Extremely Fine, 2001 Ceres Ffr2,000 ...................................................................................... 275.00

3646 FRENCH GUIANA, 1921, 75c Black on Gray (Yvert P.A. 6a). Large even margins, light cancel, fresh and Extremely Fine, with 1988 Calves certificate, unlisted in Scott .................. ..........................................................1994 Yvert Ffr 5,000.00
GERMANY, 1930, 2m, 4m South American Zeppelins (C38, C39). Bold violet flight double-circle datestamps, fresh colors, Fine-Very Fine, Michel DM1,800.........................(Photo Ex) 600.00

GERMANY, 1931, 1m-4m Polar Flight (C40-C42). Well-struck 1931 double-circle flight datestamps, bright colors, 1m & 2m Fine-Very Fine, 4m Extremely Fine, Michel DM2,800 ..(Photo Ex) 860.00

GERMANY, 1933, Chicago Zeppelin Flight (C43-C45). 1m and 2m Friedrichshafen double-circle datestamp, 4m Chemnitz double-circle datestamp, rich colors, 1m and 4m few light wrinkles, appears Very Fine, Mi DM2,000 ..................................................................................


ICELAND, 1933, 1k-10k Italian Flying Armada Overprints (C12-C14). Lightly hinged, rich colors on bright white papers, Very Fine and choice, 10k signed and with 1978 P.F. certificate..........................(Photo Ex) 1,160.00

JAPAN, 1919, 1½s, 3s Air Post Overprints (C1, C2). Lightly hinged, bright colors and detailed impressions, Very Fine, both signed twice and with 1982 A.P.S. certificates............(Photo Ex) 710.00

JAPAN, 1929, Communications Air Post Souvenir Sheet (C8). Cancelled to order with two bold strikes of commemorative cancel of bird in flight, Extremely Fine .............................................. 1,250.00

MEXICO, 1934, 20c-20p National University Issue (C54-C61). Lightly hinged, bright colors, Very Fine and scarce set .......................................................(Photo Ex) 1,100.00

NEWFOUNDLAND, 1930, 50c on 36c Olive Green, Columbia Air Post (C5, SG 191). Pos. 3, lightly hinged, beautiful centering, bright color

FRESH AND EXTREMELY FINE EXAMPLE OF THIS AIR POST RARITY.

Ex Schneider. Signed three times incl. Sanabria and Klein. With 1956 and 1975 P.F. certificates. SG £4,250 .............................. 7,000.00

SPAIN, 1931, 5c-1p Montserrat Issue, Imperforate (C68-C72 var.). With bottom sheet margin h.r., blue control numbers on back, Extremely Fine, “Filatelia Madrid” backstamps, Extremely Fine, footnote in Scott reads “Values about 10 times those quoted for perf 11½ stamps” ($60.80 x 10 = $608) ..


GENERAL FOREIGN AIR POST STAMPS. Few hundred mostly used duplicates in 1934 Nicklin album and stockbook, wide variety of countries incl. many sets with Scott Retail in the $20 range, better used incl. Germany Nos. C36, C37, C44, USA Nos. C1-C3, overall Fine-Very Fine. E. 200-300
3659 1918, 25c Aero Club of Canada (CLP1). Fancy blue “Aeroplane Aug. 26, 1918, Ottawa, Canada” in shield cancel, used with No. MR7, both tied by “Toronto Ont. Aug. 24, 1918 8-PM” exhibition cancel and violet boxed “Aerial Mail Aug. 26, 1918 Toronto, Canada” (First Day) handstamp cachet on flown cover to Ottawa, Toronto printed corner card, fancy receiving backstamp, Very Fine, ex Schoendorf, only 194 produced.................................Unitrade Canadian $ 1,150.00

3660 1928, (1.00) Moose Jaw Flying Club (CLP7). Small h.r. and light fingerprint on gum, usual natural s.e. at sides, beautifully centered, on exhibit page with description, Extremely Fine, of the mere 200 produced, 161 were used on mail, leaving only 39 unused.................................................................Unitrade Canadian $ 900.00

3661 CANADA SEMI-OFFICIAL AIR POST COLLECTION. Outstanding collection of covers and unused stamps and covers, stamps incl. Unitrade Nos. CLP2 (pane), CLP3, CL2 (pane), CL7a, CL7b, CL8 (pane), CL9b (pane), CL14a (pair), CL15a (pane), CL30 (pane), CL30a, CL42 (four reprint blocks of four), CL50c, CL52a, covers incl. Nos. CLP3, CLP5 (two), CL2, CL22a, CL42 (7 incl. two on Newspapers), CL44, CL47a, CL49a, also incl. First Days of Scott Nos. C1, C3 and C4 (4) and Nos. C1-C6 on flown cover to France, and Longworth-Dames’ and Forrest’s handbooks on the subject, a wonderful collection, generally Very Fine with many Extremely Fine ......................Not illustrated 5,000.00
3662 ☒  COLOMBIA, 1919, 2c First Air Post (C1). Pos. 3, remarkably well-centered, tied by violet Columbia 18 Jun. 1919 First Day cancel on picture side of postcard
EXTREMELY FINE. AN OUTSTANDING FIRST DAY USAGE OF THE FIRST COLOMBIAN AIR POST ISSUE.
Scott Retail for faulty used stamp (without premium for sound stamp and on first day cover). With 1980 P.F. certificate ........................................................... 1,200.00

3663 ☒  CYRENAICA, 1934, 25l + 2l Copper Red Servicio di Stato (CBO1). Tied by lightly struck “Tobruck Posta Aerea Speciale 9.11.34” crown in double-circle datestamp on large first flight cover from Rome to Mogadiscio with printed “Ministero delle Colonie” corner card at top, magenta handstamp cachet, Tobruk registry label, light edge toning
VERY FINE. AN INCREDIBLE USAGE OF THE CYRENAICA AIR POST SEMI-POSTAL OFFICIAL STAMP FOUR DAYS AFTER ISSUE.
Unlisted as used in Scott............................................................... E. 3,000-4,000
FINLAND, 1930, 10m Graf Zeppelin (C1). Tied by bold strike of Helsinki 24.10.3 First Day cancel on flown photo postal card depicting view of Helsinki, to Berlin, Germany, violet Zeppelin handstamp cachet and Friedrichshafen transit, Extremely Fine, Scott Retail as used stamp................................................................. 200.00

GERMANY, 1912, Gelber Hund. Three incl. vertical pair on back, used with 5c Green, tied by large “Darmstadt Flugpost am Rhein u.am Main 15.6.12” circular datestamps on flown brown red postcard to Berlin, also incl. flown card with unoverprinted stamp and 5c Green tied by “Offenbach Flugpost am Rhein u.am Main 12.6.12” circular datestamps on flown light brown postcard to Frankfurt, Extremely Fine......(Photo Ex) E. 200-300

GERMANY, 1928, 2m Graf Zeppelin (C36). Two flown covers and four flown postcards, covers to Cairo, Egypt and Cornwall, England, postcards to Milwaukee, New York, Michigan and Baranguilla, Colombia, Egypt flight with “Orientfahrt 1929” handstamp cachet, England with green triangular 1930 handstamp cachet, three postcards with Amerikafahrt 1929 handstamp cachets, and one with 1928 handstamp cachets, Very Fine group ..................................................... Not illustrated 300.00

GERMANY, 1931, 2m Blue, Polar Flight (C41). Perfectly centered, tied by “Luftschiff Graf Zeppelin 27.7.1931” double-circle datestamp on photo postcard of the Graf Zeppelin to Milwaukee Wisc., red Polarfahrt handstamp cachet and Arctic fancy double-circle datestamp, Extremely Fine, superb in every respect ......................... E. 150-200

GERMANY, 1933, 4m Chicago Zeppelin Flight (C45). Dark color, tied by “Luftschiff Graf Zeppelin 14.10.35” double-circle datestamp on printed card with map showing routes, red triangular and green circular handstamp cachets, Extremely Fine, ex Schoendorf, signed Mayer......................................................... E. 200-250

GERMANY, 1933, 4m Chicago Zeppelin Flight (C45). Tied by bold strike of “Friedrichshafen (Bodensee) 14.10.35” double-circle datestamp on large cover to Washington D.C., red triangular handstamp cachet, green Zeppelin backstamp, Extremely Fine......................................................... E. 200-300

GERMANY, 1913, Victoria Louise. 5pf Green (82) tied by “Luftpost Zeppelin Schiff Viktoria-Luise 16.6.13” oval cancel on flown picture postcard of Potsdam aerial view, message side with printed Zeppelin cachet, Extremely Fine........................................................ E. 100-150

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