The United States Automatic Vending Company (USAVC) was formed around 1907 in New York City by Sara L.W. Coe and Henrietta Werden and was basically in business from 1908 to 1915. The Company used the patent rights of a British-designed stamp vending machine to carry its product. The USAVC submitted its vending machine to the US Post Office Department for approval and was granted a trial period for further testing. By law the stamps had to be sold at face value, so three machines were tested, one for each denomination, 1¢, 2¢ and 5¢.

USAVC began production of its vending machine stamps by using regular perforated stamps (perf. 12) which were then coiled. This proved a problem from the outset and modifications had to be made to the machine and the stamps. To this end the Company prepared their own stamps for testing purposes. At the same time the Company made a ticket vending machine, which was being tested to vend tickets for the subway system in New York City. When this idea was rejected, USAVC decided to convert its ticket vending machine to stamps vending machines.

Both machines selling stamps at face value

The primary concept USAVC developed was the use of 60-degree notches to separate the stamps and creation of stamp "pockets" to dispense the stamps from their machines. The "pockets" used the same-notched principle as the stamps. After experimenting and then eliminating the perforated (perf. 12) stamps with notches as impractical, the USAVC purchased imperforated stamps in sheets. This allowed the USAVC to create different types of separation to improve distribution through their machines.
U.S. Private Perforations
United States Automatic Vending Company  (circa 1907-1915)

Thus came the USAV Type I perforation which was designed with notches having a 60 degree angle and the points spaced at 15.5 millimeters and a slit in the center that is 10.8 millimeters long. There is a second variety of this perforation, Type Ia, that has the notch points 16 millimeters apart and the slit 11 millimeters in length. Both of these were coiled vertically.

A Type II perforation was produced that coiled horizontally with the same angle notches. For this type, the points of the notches were 19.7 millimeters apart and the slit length was 14.5 millimeters. There is another perforation type, known as Type III, for which no one is sure if it was used by this company or by another stamp vending company. It might have worked on the same machine as the Type II had been used in. It has the same notches and spacing but instead of the slit it is perforated with an 8.5 gauge, and also coiled horizontally. There are experimental examples with a 12-gauge perforation.

"Profit Model"

"Profit Model": This stamp selling machine delivers two 2c, U.S. Stamps for 8 cents. Every nickel deposited in this machine makes a profit of one cent.

This type of machine can be either purchased outright for a favorable price, or we will furnish the machine gratis and divide the profits.

"Profit Model" holds 1000 stamps.
This stamp "pocket" for the ticket vending machine was made from manila paper containing five cents worth of stamps that were in general use at the time of purchase, \((2 \times 2 \varphi + 1 \times 1 \varphi)\). Later on, the "pockets" including the Alaska-Yukon and Hudson-Fulton issues in the vending machines installed at the site of these expositions. The "pockets" had the same notches and the points of the notches were about 18.2 millimeters apart and the slit length was 8.2 millimeter and slit to slit was 51 millimeters. Four different "pocket" were produced differentiated by the markings appearing on them. It was USAVC's intention to sell advertising space on the "pockets" so that the stamps would be sold at face value, 5 cents - the advertising providing USAVC's profit in the venture. Each "pocket" had a serial number printed on the back side.

Pocket Type 1
Points 18.2 mm apart
Slit length 8.2 mm

Pocket Type 2
Points 18.2 mm apart
Slit length 8.2 mm

Pocket Type 3
Points 18.2 mm apart
Slit length 8.2 mm

Pocket Type 4
Points 18.2 mm apart
Slit length 8.2 mm

The printing of the 1908-1909 and the 1910-1911 U.S. stamp issues had different spacing on the vertical rows of stamps. This was done because the Bureau of Engraving and Printing was having a problem with paper waste due to unequal shrinking of the sheets because of wet printing process problems. They spaced part of the sheet with 3mm spacing and the rest at 2mm spacing. Therefore there are pairs, strips and blocks of these issues with varying spacing between 2mm and 3mm because of the shrinkage of the paper. This is the reason why there are multiple listings of the same issue shown here.
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United States Automatic Vending Company

CAPITAL STOCK, $500,000

This is to certify that Annie L. Bella is the owner of Four Shares of the Capital Stock of United States Automatic Vending Company.

Transferrable only on the books of the Company by the holder hereof in person or by attorney upon surrender of this certificate. Witness the seal of the Company and the signatures of duly authorized officers affixed.

This 15th day of March, 1909.

D. W. Lee
President

Full Paid and Non-Assessable
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co.
Test Dummy

ex-Belasco

Perforation 11.75 Gauge

Imperforated Between

ex-Belasco

Strip
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co.
Test Dummy

Type I

Type Ia

Type Ia

Wrapper for roll of stamps

Illegally used or tested through the mails

Two Singles
Brooklyn, NY to Suffern, NY
October 8, 1913
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type I
Experimental
Issue of 1902-1903

Type I
Experimental
Issue of 1903

(ex-Mann)

(ex-Sisson)
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type I
Issue of 1906-1908

Plate Number 4559 Pair

Margin Pair

Guideline Strip
Passaic, NJ
February 2, 1909

1¢ Local postcard rate
New York, NY to Cambridge, MA
November 20, 1908

Enclosed postcard rate

Friday all right this A.M. and hope you all an...
Single with both Type I and Ia and a Hudson-Fulton issue single on 1907-1916 entire
St Louis, MO to Turkey via London, England
Backstamped British Post Office Constantinople (January 14, 1910)
5¢ UPU rate per oz
December 10, 1909
Combination of issues and private perforations

Single with 5¢ issue of 1908-1909 with Brinkerhoff Type I perforations and 2¢ issue of 1909 with Brinkerhoff Type Ia perforation along with 2¢ issue of 1906 on 2¢ 1907-1916 entire Pine Lawn, MO to Charleston, SC December 20, 1909

2¢ per oz Domestic letter rate and 10¢ Registration fee

(ex-Belasco)
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type I
Issue of 1906-1908

Pasteup Pair
Guideline Pair
Guideline Strip

Type Ia
Issue of 1906-1908
Charales E. Jenny and W. H. Mackie were stamp dealers who used private perforated stamps from different companies on correspondence in both directions.

Single on 1¢ 1907-1916 entire issue
Fresno, CA to Bovey, MN
6¢ for up to 3 oz (2¢ per oz)
September 25, 1914
Combination of issues with private perforations

Pair with a single of 2¢ Carmine Die I issue of 1906 with Type Ia perforations
New York City, NY to Washington, DC
2¢ Domestic rate per oz plus 10¢ Special Delivery fee
January 10, 1909
U.S. Private Perforations  
U.S. Automatic Vending Co.
Type I
Issue of 1906
Carmine Die I

Type Ia
Issue of 1906
Carmine Die I

Imprint Margin Block
"Request Item"

Guide Pair

ex-Agris
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co

Type I
Issue of 1906
Scarlet Die I

Pasteup Pair

Guideline Pair

Type Ia
Issue of 1906
Scarlet Die I
U.S. Private Perforations

GEORGE S. DANA,
SECRETARY AND TREASURER,
The Commercial Travelers
Mutual Accident Association
OF AMERICA.

Box 123.

UTICA, N. Y.

Brooklyn, NY to Utica, NY
February 25, 1909

Return Postage Guaranteed by
WEED STAMP CO.
dealer in
old and rare stamps
CENTREVILLE, MICHIGAN

E.A. Duvernois.
3473 Charlevoix St.
Detroit, Mich.

Strip of Three with Two 5¢ Issue of 1916-1922 w 1¢ Madagascar stamps as seal on flap
Centerville, MI to Detroit, MI
Triple rate of 2¢ per oz Domestic letter rate and 10¢ Registration fee
November 25, 1921

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type I
Issue of 1906
Carmine Die I
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type I
Issue of 1906
Lake Die II

e
Pasteup Strip

Guideline Strip
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type I
Issue of 1908-1909

Pasteup Strip with Imprint under tab

Pasteup Strip with Plate Number 4972 under tab

Guideline Strip
Margin Imprint Strip of 4 with Pasteup Margin Leader
Siderographer initials
New York, NY to Bellport, NY
January 4, 1909

Picture Card from National Hotel where a test vending machine was located

Washington, DC to Gorham, ME
April 20, 1909

ex-Belasco
Atlantic City, NJ to Brooklyn, NY
May 17, 1909

Single with 1¢ regular 1902-1903 issue
Woonsocket, RI to Saco, ME
2¢ per oz Domestic letter rate
August 19, 1909
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type I
Issue of 1908-1909

ALASKA-YUKON EXPOSITION SOUVENIR CARD AND EXPOSITION CANCEL

Seattle, WA to Jacksonville, IL
July 18, 1909

Pasteup single

Seattle, WA to Jacksonville, IL
July 18, 1909

Dear Clyde A. Merritt,

AUG 28

EXPOSITION STATION

Portland, Ore.

U.S.S. Tennessee, an Armored Cruiser
stationed at Pago Pago Samoa (1908-1910)
August 28, 1909
U.S. Private Perforations

Keasey, Hammons, Jeffery
Dealers in Land
Portland, Oregon

Two singles
Portland, OR to Ballard, WA
May 13, 1910

Alaska Yukon Exposition Souvenir Card and Slogan Cancel

Seattle WA to Victoria, B.C., Canada
August 27, 1909
Post Card

Miss Elizabeth Banks
Canad 41

Washington DC to Havana, Cuba
June 25, 1909

LEON V. CASS,
New Milford, Penna.

Mr. F. G. Morant,
P. O. Box 66,
Kamloops, B. C.,
Canada.

Pair
New Milford, PA to Kamloops, B.C., Canada
March 11, 1910

1902—The Library of Congress, Washington, D.C., celebrated as the culmination of architectural achievement of the day was completed in 1897 at a cost of nearly $6,000,000. The Library, at six stories from the Capitol, is 340 feet long and 120 feet wide, finished in blue copper with a green cast lining of the roof and the columns of the dome, adorned with a gilded finial representing the torch of science ever burning.

(Foster & Reynolds, 1 Madison Av., N. Y.)
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type I
Issue of 1908-1909

November 20, 1910
Dear Papa, I had to go to town this am. and I went right up after the mail arrived. We need your letters dated the 9th M. W. M. Good! I hope you had a pleasant Thanksgiving. Everybody here is in the basement working. Except some who are still in bed 10:15 am. Earl E. Goodwin

Valdez, Alaska

Portland, OR to Valdez, Alaska Territory
November 20, 1910

Mr. Benedict Frieth,
225 Washington Street,
Newark, N.J.

Pair
Baltimore, MD to Newark, NJ
June 15, 1910
C. H. Mekeel, Stamp dealer, covers are also found with Brinkerhoff Stamp Vending Machine Co, Schermack Mailing Machine Co, Mail-O-Meter Co private perforated stamps.
Baltimore, MD RPO to Baltimore, MD  
September 3, 1909

Portland, OR to Valdez, Alaska Territory  
October 26, 1910
U.S. Private Perforations  

U.S. Automatic Vending Co  
Type Ia  
Issue of 1908-1909

Two singles—one with pasteup  
New York, NY to New York, NY  
January 31, 1910

1¢ on an 1¢ Entire Issue of 1907-1916  
Rutherford, NJ to Port Washington, NY  
April 22, 1910
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type I
Issue of 1908-1909
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type 1a
Issue of 1908-1909

Guideline Pair

Pasteup Pair

Guideline Strip
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type I
Issue of 1908-1909

Baltimore, MD to Philadelphia, PA
May 19, 1910

New York, NY to Saginaw, MI
June 7, 1910
Two Singles with 1¢ Imperforate issue of 1908-1909
Philadelphia, Pa to Halifax, Canada
June 3, 1909
ex-Belasco

Buffalo, NY to Ontario, Canada
May 30, 1910
**U.S. Private Perforations**

Guideline Pair with 1¢ Guideline Pair issue of 1908-1909
with U.S. Automatic Vending Type Ia Perforations and 2¢ Block of Hudson Fulton issue
New York, NY to Overseas  December 12, 1909

Combination of issues with private perforations

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**U.S. Automatic Vending Co**

Type I

Issue of 1908-1909

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**WHEATON & LOWREE**

23 PARK ROW

NEW YORK CITY

-1909-

Machine perforation

Senor Don

Guillermo T. Kunhardt,

Guadalajara, 3m. between

Mexico.

Strip of 4 and 1¢ Pair issue of 1908-1909

New York, NY to Guadalajara, Mexico

October 21, 1909
Guideline Pair

Guideline Strip

2.4 mm

2.6 mm

Type Ia
Issue of 1908-1909
Combination of issues and private perforations

Pair with Alaska-Yukon issue imperforate pair with Brinkerhoff Type IIa perforations on 1907-1916 entire
Pine Lawn, MO to Hays Springs, NE
2¢ Domestic letter rate plus 10¢ Registration fee
January 3, 1910
(ex-Howard)
U.S. Private Perforations

Guideline Pair

Guideline Pair

Pasteup Pair
e

Pasteup Pair
e

Guideline Pair
e

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type I
Issue of 1908-1909

Type Ia
Issue of 1908-1909
Combination of issues with private perforations

Two singles-one with pasteup also with 2¢ single of the same issue with Type I Perforations
Possibly Fourth Class post 1913 12¢ 1lb. rate to Philippines Islands or ship at sea

Combination of issues with private perforations

Single with 1¢ Pair of the same issue with Type I perforations
Possibly pre-1913 package weighing 7oz at 1¢ per oz
Brooklyn, NY
Combination of issues with private perforations

Two singles with 2¢ single of the same issue with Type I perforations
Washington, DC to Savannah, GA
2¢ Domestic letter rate plus 10¢ Special Delivery fee
March 4, 1909
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type 1
Issue of 1908-1909

Sent from S.W. Coe to Mrs. E. Werden, founders of United States Automatic Vending Co

Pair on 2¢ issue of 2¢ 1915-1932 entire
New York, NY to Mt Vernon, NY
May 4, 1921

Pair with 2 plate number singles of 1¢ perforated issue of 1908-1909
Brooklyn, NY to Cleveland, OH
2¢ Domestic letter rate plus 10¢ Registration fee and no fee for the Return Receipt service
December 16, 1910
(ex-Agris)
Washington, DC to Hamilton, Bermuda
5¢ per oz UPU rate
March 24, 1909
S. Livingston Coe was a co-founder of the United States Automatic Vending Co

*Only Known Usage of Type Ia*

Pasteup Pair on 1 1/2¢ Washington Bicentennial issue of 1932 entire
Mt Vernon, VA to Washington, DC
Washington's Birthplace cachet
February 8, 1932
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type I
Issue of
1908-1909

Plate Number
(4977)

Pasteup Pair
e

Guideline Pair

Type Ia
Issue of
1908-1909

Guideline Pair
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type I
Issue of 1908-1909

Missing perforations
(ex-Sheldon, Grumin)

Pasteup Strip

Guideline Strip
U.S. Private Perforations

2.3 mm

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type 1
Issue of 1909

Plate Number 4976 Block of 8
3 mm

Type 1a
Issue of 1909

Imprint Block
3 mm
On February 12, 1909 an ad was placed in the New York Times by Frederick Loeser & Co that three vending machines would be selling the new Lincoln stamps in their Brooklyn, NY store.

Two of the three reported First Day Covers of the Lincoln imperforates

Brooklyn, NY to Brooklyn, NY  February 12, 1909
Mr. O. L. Ballard,
Room 511, I. O. Dept.,
Washington, D. C.

New York, NY to Washington, DC
January 16, 1912

C. H. MEKEEL
R. F. D. 29
ST. LOUIS, MO.

Angels Camp, CA to St Louis, MO
U.S. Private Perforations
Type 1
Issue of 1909

Single with 1¢
issue of 1908-1909 coil pair
New Hampshire to New York, NY
4¢ (2¢ per oz) for up to 2 oz
April 2, 1909
Two singles on 1893 entire issue
New York, NY to Chicago, IL
4¢ for 2 oz Domestic letter rate plus 10¢ Registration fee for up to $50 indemnity
April 18, 1913
Combination of issues and private perforations

Two singles with 1¢ issue of 1912 pair with Schermack Type III perforations and Alaska-Yukon issue single and two singles of 2¢ issue of 1908-1909
Keswick, VA to Chicago, IL
4¢ Domestic letter rate for up to 2 oz plus 10¢ Registration fee with no fee required for Return Receipt service
April 14, 1916
Washington, DC to Havana, Cuba
February 22, 1909
Dear Granny,

there too, how is the luck

haven't my eating

suit got to the back

in front or back

I have 3 pair of new

shoes we all and

our love give my

your Betty.

Paterson, NJ to Crescent Beach, CT
July 19, 1918
2¢ Post Card War Rate

Combination of issues and private perforations

After 5 days, return to
HUGH M. CLARK,
530 Postal Telegraph Bldg.,
CHICAGO, ILL.

Single along with 4¢ issue of 1908-1909 Pair with Schermack Type III perforations on 2¢ issue of 1904 entire
Chicago, IL to Des Moines, IA
2¢ per oz Domestic letter rate plus 10¢ Registration fee with no fee required for Return Receipt service
November 14, 1911
U.S. Private Perforations
Type I
Issue of 1909
Combination of issues and private perforations

Pair with 2¢ Pasteup Strip
of issue of 1908-1909
with United States Vending Type Ia
Washington, DC to South Creek, NC
April 17, 1909

Underpaid 2¢ for Domestic letter rate
and 10¢ Registration Fee

ex-Belasco
U.S. Private Perforations  U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type Ia
Issue of 1909

Pasteup Strip

Guideline Strip
U.S. Private Perforations  U.S. Automatic Vending Co

Type I
Issue of 1909

New York, NY to New York, NY
April 12, 1915
Censored Mail

RETURN IN FIVE DAYS TO
TOLEDO STAMP CO.
IMPORTERS,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN
FOREIGN and U. S. POSTAGE STAMPS
FOR COLLECTORS
BUY STAMPS - BUYING LIST 10c.
St. Clair Building,
TOLEDO, OHIO.

G. F. Rapkin,
17-20 West Smithfield,
London, England,

Toledo, OH to London, England
April 18, 1916
Two Pairs along with Alaska-Yukon issue pair having Brinkerhoff Type IIIa perforations

Milwaukee, WI to St Paul, MN

10¢ Airmail fee for contract air mail flights of less than 1000 miles

June 7, 1926

Two Pairs with 1¢ Strip of 4 issue of 1908-1909 having Schermack Type III perforations

Boston, MA to Ann Arbor, MI

Airmail fee was 10¢ per oz. This letter was overpaid by 2¢.

July 1, 1926
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type I
Issue of 1910-1911

Pasteup Pair
with Plate
Number 5322
under tab

Type Ia
Issue of 1910-1911

Pair
Brooklyn, NY
December 24, 1916

Pasteup Pair

Guideline Pair
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type Ia
Issue of 1910-1911

Additional Row of Perforations

Guideline Strip
U.S. Private Perforations  U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type 1
Issue of 1910-1911

POST CARD

For Message Only.

March 17th
money happy
returns of the
day.
Mr. A Anderson
Black Point
Sea Bright
NJ.

New York, NY to Sea Bright, NJ
March 16, 1911
(ex-Agris)

POST CARD

For Correspondence

Dear Rosie,
I suppose
you will be home
where this
arrives. How is Pete?
Hope you haven’t
had any more trouble
with Lillian.

Baltimore, MD to Washington, DC
April 7, 1912
MEKEEL-SEVERN-WYLIE CO.

104 Hanover St.,

Boston, Mass.

Pair
Portland, OR to Boston, MA
March 25, 1914

Baltimore & Ohio System

Mr. E. H. Stiles
No. 61 Townsend St
New Bedford, Mass.

Pair
to New Bedford, MA
1913
Single with 1¢ issue of 1910-1911 imperforate single
New York, NY to Washington, DC
July 10, 1912

Pair
Brooklyn, NY to Cleveland, OH
June 28, 1912
Strip of three with part of next stamp with Registration issue of 1911
Washington, DC to Arvada, CO
Posted between 1917 and 1919 when the domestic letter rate was 3¢ per oz
H.T. Werden, co-founder
of U.S. Automatic Vending Co

Four Singles
New York, NY to New York, NY
December 23, 1912
ex-Belasco
U.S. Private Perforations
Type la
Issue of 1910-1911

U.S. Automatic Vending Co

Pair with 10¢ issue of 1912-1914
2¢ Domestic letter rate plus 10¢ Registration fee
and free Return Receipt service
Brooklyn, NY to Chicago, IL
October 7, 1912
Mixed franking stamp usage

Pair with strip of five-1 Centavo paying the rate to the US border from Mexico.
Mexico to Nogales, AZ
When the letter came over the border the additional postage was required for delivery.
February 12, 1914
Combination of issues with private perforations

Pair with Type Ia perforations and pair of Lincoln issue of 1909 with Type I perforations with 6¢ Columbian Exposition issue 2¢ Domestic letter rate and the 10¢ Registration fee
Brooklyn, NY to Philadelphia, PA
December 26, 1913
Covel Mfg Co covers are also found with John V. Farwell Co., Brinkerhoff Stamp Vending Machine Co., Schermack Mailing Machine Co., Mail-O-Meter Co. and their own private perforated stamps. One reason is that A. W. Filstrup, the Secretary of the company was a stamp collector.
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type Ia
Issue of 1910-1911

CARROLL CHASE, M. D.
1050 PARK PLACE
BROOKLYN, NEW YORK CITY

Mr. W. E. Wentworth
190 PROVENCAL STREET
Liscard
Cheshire
England.

Pair
Brooklyn, NY to Cheshire, England
December 25, 1913
U.S. Private Perforations
Type I
Issue of 1910-1911

Plate Number Strip

Guideline Strip

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type Ia
Issue of 1910-1911

Pasteup
End Tab
Plate Number 5282

Guideline Strip
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type I
Issue of 1910-1911

Ship Cancel from France

U.S.S. Des Moines in France to Camden, NJ
Denver Class light Cruiser posted in the Mediterrannean
and the Middle East theaters of war (1915-1917)
July 28, 1916

AFTER 3 DAYS RETURN TO
WENDOVER NEEFUS
STAMPS FOR COLLECTIONS
602 WARREN STREET
HUDSON, N.Y.

Mr. C. F. Richards,
Box 77, Grand Central Post Office,
New York City.

Hudson, NY to New York, NY
April 26, 1917
U.S. Private Perforations  

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type I
Issue of 1910-1911

Strip
Montclair, NJ to Bovey, MN
January 2, 1914
(Front only)
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type I
Issue of 1912

Guideline Strip

Guideline Pair

Plate Number A 5878

Pasteup Strip

Guideline Strip
Only Known Usage

Strip of five
New York, NY to Norway
5¢ per oz UPU rate
March 16, 1915
U.S. Private Perforations  U.S. Automatic Vending Co

Type I
Issue of 1912

Pasteup Strip
Plate Number 6446
under tab

Guideline Strip

Type Ia
Issue of 1912

Deep Shade

Pasteup Pair

Guideline Pair
Combination of issues with private perforations

Single with Type Ia Perforation and 2¢ Pair w Type Ia Perforations and Extra Perforations
New York, NY to Norway
5¢ per oz UPU rate
December 30, 1914
During 1912 USAV were running low on their supply of 1¢ perforate stamps needed in the production of their Type I perforation. The New York Post Office who supplied those perforated sheets was also in short supply of the stamps.

The Post Office Department found a supply of 1¢ sheets in the St Louis, Missouri Post Office. These sheets were of the “Star” plate variety. They had been returned to the Post Office by the Mail-O-Meter Company. Mail-O-Meter could not use them because of the irregular stamp spacing of the sheets in their perforation production.

Star perforated sheets of 400 were produced in an attempt to have uniform spacing between its stamps. The prior sheets had spacing between 2 to 2.5 mm caused by paper shrinkage. The Star sheets had spacing of six (6) outside vertical rows on each side of 3 mm and the inner eight (8) vertical rows were 2 mm spacing. It was an attempt to make better uniform stamp spacing. A small star was placed in the margin between the plate number and the imprint to distinguish the sheets.

The supply found in St Louis consisted of 1650 imperforate sheets of 400. By cutting these sheets in three sections, as described above, it produced 264000 imperforated stamps of 8x20 (160 stamps) panes with 2 mm spacing. These could be used by USAV for their Type I perforations. USAV were notified by the Post Office Department on August 29, 1912 that they were there.

The balance of the cut up Star sheets consisted of 3300 panes of 6x20 (120 stamps) imperforated stamps with 3 mm spacing, with each pane having margin sides with imprint and plate numbers. These were forwarded to Washington for perforating.

An example of this perforated pane of 120 stamps is shown here, it has a designated catalog number of 374.
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automativ Vending Co
Type II
Issue of 1906-1908

Left Margin Pair

Guideline Pair

e

Right Margin Strip
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type II
Issue of 1906-1908

Guideline Pair

Left Margin Strip
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type II
Issue of 1906
Carmine Die I

Guideline Pair e

Right Margin Strip e
Guideline Strip
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type II
Issue of 1908-1909

2.2 mm

Guideline Pair
2.3 mm

1.9 mm-2.6 mm

Brockton, MA to Boston, MA
January 1, 1911

(lifted and replaced)
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type II
Issue of 1908-1909

2.4 mm

2.4 mm

e

Brockton, MA to Cambridge, MA
July 31, 1911
e

(lifted & replaced)
with Type III perforations
at right
2.6 mm

Plate Number 4925
2.4 mm

Guideline Pair
2.7 mm
U.S. Private Perforations  U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type II
Issue of 1908-1909

2.3 mm

Plate Number 4932
2.5 mm

2.3 mm-2.6 mm
U.S. Private Perforations  U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type II
Issue of 1908-1909

2.3 mm

e
Hudson, NY to Beaver Dam, WI
January 21, 1913

Single with 3¢ Louisiana Purchase issue of 1904 and 2¢ Jamestown issue of 1907
New York, NY to Coquille, OR
2¢ Domestic letter rate. The 10¢ Registered fee is underpaid by 5¢.
April 13, 1923
Three pages from a price list of different private perforated stamps in August 1911 by W.A. Sisson, a stamp dealer from St. Louis, MO

Satisfaction Guaranteed Every Purchaser.

PRICE LIST

MACHINE PERFORATIONS

IN PAIRS.

*(Subject to change, without notice.)*

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New Watermark.

2 " Lincoln       | 50                    |
2 " Yukon         | 50                    |
2 " Hudson        | 50                    |

New Watermark.

1c—1909           | 10                    |
1 "                | 20                    |

Old Watermark.

U.S. AUTOMATIC No. 2.

2c— Hudson        | 75                    |
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1908 issue double face
PRE-CANCELS.
New Watermark.
BLOCK OF FOUR.
1c—St. Louis invert ........................................ 25
1 " imperf .................................................. 25
2 " " .................................................... 25

STRIP OF FOUR.
MAIL-ON-ETER No. 1.
1c—1909 .................................................... 25
2 " ...................................................... 25

MAIL-ON-ETER No. 3.
1c—1909 .................................................... 25
2 " ...................................................... 25

IMPERFS.
1c—1909 .................................................... 25
2 " ...................................................... 25

Imperfs., Center Blocks, Arrow Blocks, Line Blocks, Plate Nos. with imprint.
Also Match and Medicine Stamps.

BOOK LEAVES
Good U. S., used and unused, on approval to those giving satisfactory reference.

W. A. SISSON,
314 Pine Street ST. LOUIS

AUGUST 1911.
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type II
Issue of 1909

HOTEL IMPERIAL
Broadway, 31st & 32nd Streets
NEW YORK
ROBERT STAFFORD

HUDSON FULTON CELEBRATION
1609
SEPT. 23 TO OCT. 9
1909

New York, NY to Salem, MA
October 2, 1909

Mrs. P. W. Pope
Salem
Mass.
U.S. Private Perforations

Portland, OR to Middletown, CT
January 3, 1910

THE PLAZA BANK
NEW YORK.
Postmaster please return, if not called for in FIVE DAYS.

NATIONAL PARK BANK, NEW YORK,
N. Y.

Pair
New York City, NY
January 7, 1911
(Front Only)
U.S. Private Perforations
Type II
Issue of 1909
Combination of issues with private perforations

Pair along with pair of 5¢ issue of 1908-1909 with Type Ia perforations
New York, NY
2¢ per oz plus 10¢ Special Delivery fee
Décembre 6, 1920
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type II
Issue of 1910-1911

2.1 mm

3 mm

Earliest Known Usage

Brockton, MA to Ipswich, MA
January 6, 1911

(lifted & replaced)
Brockton, MA to Brockton, MA
February 17, 1911

(lifted&replaced)

Neillsville, WI to Webb Lake, WI
May 19, 1912
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type II
Issue of 1910-1911

Two Singles
New York City, NY to Nashville, TN
February 20, 1912

Two Singles
New York, NY to New York, NY
July 11, 1912
CLAIM DEPARTMENT.

GEORGE S. DANA,
Secretary and Treasurer
The Commercial Travelers Mutual
Accident Association of America.

P. O. BOX 123.

UTICA, NEW YORK.

Single
Rockland, ME to Utica, NY
May 24, 1912
Two Singles
New York City, NY to Winchendon, MA
October 16, 1912
U.S. Private Perforations  U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type II
Issue of 1912

Plate Number

Guideline Pair

POST CARD

Neillsville, WI to Milwaukee, WI
July 7, 1914
Guideline Strip on 2¢ Albino entire
Montclair, NJ to Bovey, MN
April 12, 1914

ex-Belasco
U.S. Private Perforations  U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type II
Issue of 1912

Plate Number

Guideline Pair

Left Margin Strip
The company was using a Rosback perforating machine which produced an 11.75 gauge perforation. After this 11.75 gauge perforation was applied to a strip of stamps it was processed with their own perforation.
Left Margin Pair
Siderographer's initials

Guideline Pair

Horizontal Guideline at top

Guideline Pair
U.S. Private Perforations  U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type III
Issue of 1906
Carmine Die I

Margin Pair
Plate Number Margin Pair

Imprint Margin Strip
2.1-2.4 mm
e

Type III
Issue of 1906
Scarlet Die I

e

Guideline Pair
e

Type III
Issue of 1906
Carmine Rose Die
I

e
Left Margin Strip

Largest Known Multiple

Extra Row of Perforations

Guideline Strip
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type III
Issue of 1908-1909

2.4 mm

3 mm

2.3 mm

2.3 mm

2.4-2.6 mm
**U.S. Private Perforations**  
**U.S. Automatic Vending Co**  
**Type III**  
**Issue of 1909**

- Guideline Pair  
  2.2 mm
- Guideline Pair  
  2.1 mm
- Guideline Strip  
  2.1 mm
- Plate Number 4978  
  3 mm
- 2.2 mm
- 2.1 mm - 2.8 mm

Only Known Example

Mr. C. E. Spang,
803 Walker Ave.
Butler, Pa.

Pair on issue of 1925-1932 entire
Pittsburgh, PA to Butler, PA
Triple 2¢ Domestic letter rate per oz
November 17, 19??
U.S. Private Perforations  U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type III
Issue of 1909

Plate Number 5236

Top and Left Margins
Siderographer's initials
e

Guideline Pair
e
Plate Number 5235
(ex-Sheldon)

Top Margin Plate Number Strip
Plate Number 5236
e

Guideline Strip
e
W.A. Sisson, a stamp dealer, covers are also found with Brinkerhoff Stamp Vending Machine Co, Schermack Mailing Machine Co and Mail-O-Meter Co private perforated stamps.

Imprint margin single with Registration issue of 1911
St Louis, MO to Akron, OH
(Front only)

e
U.S. Private Perforations  U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type III
Issue of 1909

Margin Pair with Imprint and Plate Finisher Initials
Extra Row of Perforations

Additional Row of Perforations

Plate Number 5392

Pasteup Pair

Guideline Pair
Plate Number 5393

Guideline Strip

Combination of issues and private perforations

RETURN POSTAGE GUARANTEED
STANLEY GIBBONS, INC.
38 PARK ROW
NEW YORK, N.Y.

Dr. L. B. Mitchell
P. O. Box 1020
Tampa, Florida

Single along with 1¢ issue of 1912 with Mail O Meter Type IV perforations
New York, NY to Tampa, FL
3¢ Domestic letter rate per oz
July 28, 1932
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type III
Issue of 1910-1911

2 mm

3 mm

Plate Number 5634
2.7-3 mm

Pasteup Strip
Plate Number 5484 Hidden
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type III
Issue of 1910-1911

2-2.4 mm

2.4-2.7 mm

Guideline Strip
2-2.2 mm
Strip of four of each Type I, Type II and Type III U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Perforations on 2¢ 1907-1911 entire issue
Bovey, MN to New York, NY
October 25, 1913
U.S. Private Perforations  U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type III
Issue of 1910-1911

Plate Number 5323
Siderographer's initials
3 mm

Margin Pair with Plate Finisher Initials
3 mm
e

Plate Number 5358 Strip
2.8-3 mm

2.3-3 mm

Guideline Strip
2.1-2.4 mm
Combination of Perforation Types

Horizontal Line Block with both Type II and Type III Perforations
2.3 mm
ex-Belasco
U.S. Private Perforations

Left Margin Pair

Pasteup Pair

Guideline Pair

Pasteup Strip

Strip with extra row of perforations

ex-Belasco

Guideline Strip
U.S. Private Perforations  U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type III
Issue of 1912

Missing Perforations

Mis-Cut at end

Margin Pair

Plate Number

Pasteup Pair

Guideline Pair
U.S. Private Perforations

U.S. Automatic Vending Co
Type III
Issue of 1912

Pasteup Strip

Guideline Strip

Guideline Strip with missing row of perforations

ex-Belasco
This stamp was the first rotary press coil and was issued imperforated on June 30, 1914. The existence of the sidewise coil was not found until 1917. The original printing was 14 rolls of 1000 stamps and 14 rolls. When it was discovered only one roll of 1000 and 500 were found in Washington.

In July of 1936 a collector, Louis A. Missbach found a pair with U.S. Automatic Vending Co Type III perforations. It was listed in Scott’s U.S. catalog. This is the only company that used this stamp with private perforations.

No covers are known.

One of Two Known

One of Three Known
Each pocket (two 2¢ and one 1¢) had a serial number printed on the side without stamps. This side sometimes had other printing on it.

The pockets had a large variety of stamps placed in them. These included imperforated issues of 1906 till 1912 including the Alaska-Yukon and Hudson-Fulton issues.

Pockets were in use from 1908 till 1912.

The idea behind the use of the pockets was to try and sell advertising space on the same side as the serial number.

Both sides shown.

This Pocket contains a 1¢ imperforate issue of 1906-1908 and a 2¢ imperforate scarlet Type I pair of the issue of 1906. It has serial number 247.

Serial Number 037

Strip
Serial numbers 192-197
This pocket contains a 1¢ imperforate issue of 1910-1911 and two 2¢ imperforates of the Hudson-Fulton issue. Serial number 351

Serial Number 465

Variety

Company name and address printed

Serial numbers 129-132
Strip of 12
Serial Numbers 113-124
Pocket with Plate Number Single
Serial Number 74

Serial Number 388

Each pocket contains a 1¢ imperforate issue of 1908-1909 and two 2¢ imperforates of the Alaska-Yukon issue. Serial numbers 132-133.

Each pocket contains a 1¢ imperforate issue of 1908-1909 and two 2¢ imperforates of the issue of 1908-1909. Serial numbers 453-455.
U.S. Private Perforations
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U.S. Automatic Vending Co

Letter from Seattle Post Office Carrier on August 20, 1909 to Springfield, MA. Notation under stamps that the stamps were taken from an automatic vending machine at the Alaska-Yukon Exposition. August 25, 1909 Backstamp