

U.S. POSTAL CARD ERRORS.

INTRODUCTION - Since the production of postal cards began in the United States in 1873, over 500 different cards have been issued, yet less than 15% of them have been reported with major errors. Of these, despite printing quantities of over 20,000,000 of some issues, most major errors exist in quantities of under 10 known and a large percentage of those exist with only one or two examples known.

DEFINITIONS - For the purposes of this study, the types of major errors included are;

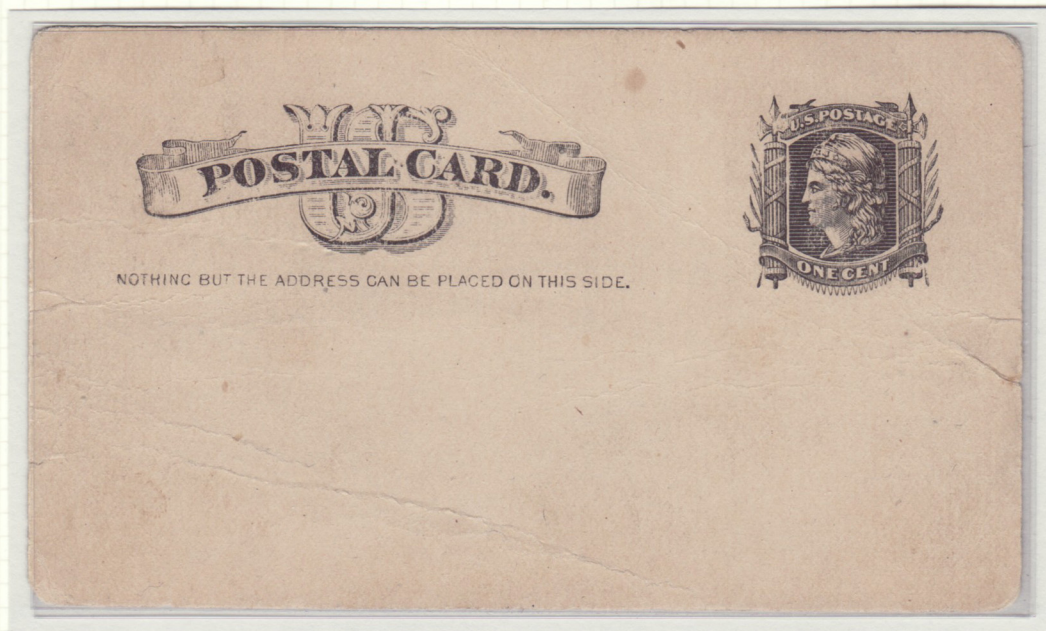
1. MULTIPLE IMPRESSIONS;
2. MISSING IMPRESSIONS (Paid-Reply cards printed on one side and albino impressions);
3. PARTIAL IMPRESSIONS;
4. MISSING COLOR(S);
5. ERROR OF COLOR (one card exists printed in an incorrect color);
6. TAGGING ERRORS (since tagging was applied by printing, varieties such as omitted or double tagging are errors);
7. CARDS PRINTED ON INCORRECT PAPER STOCK (A few exist).

NOT INCLUDED - Printing, plate, cutting, surcharge or overprint varieties or any other which does not fit into one of the included categories.

EXPERTIZATION - Over 90% of the items shown have been examined and pronounced genuine by one of the three recognized U.S. expert committees. All such items are noted with a (*) in front of their description, but other than the first TWO such items (the 1885-1886 issues) only the (*) will call the viewer's attention to this fact to avoid redundancy.

RARITY - Known quantities reported of each error are so noted and these figures are from THE UNITED STATES POSTAL CARD CATALOG, 2005 edition.

ISSUE OF 1881



PRINTED ON BOTH SIDES; This is the first error on a postal card produced in the United States. It is believed that two sheets of 40 were double printed, but the existing quantity is likely less than 10.



NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1885



* DOUBLE IMPRESSION - VERTICALLY; Only known used example.

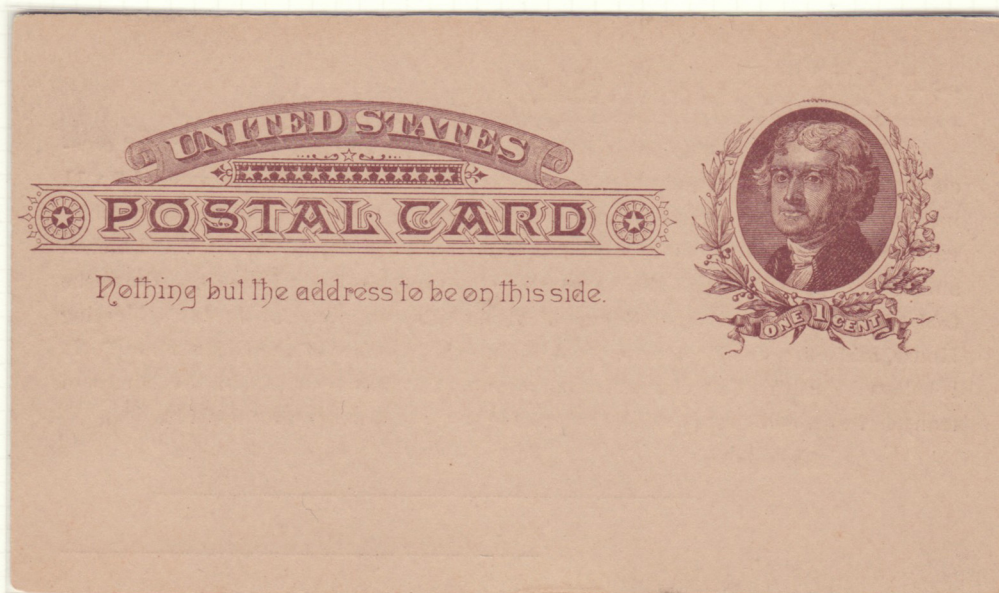


NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1885



* **DOUBLE IMPRESSION - HORIZONTALLY;** Only known used example. When printed in sheets on a flatbed press, two or more impressions can occur on the front of the sheet in several ways, but most commonly if a sheet is inserted twice or is not removed, resulting in two or more impressions which overlap or are very close, such as the example here.



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* With expert certification.

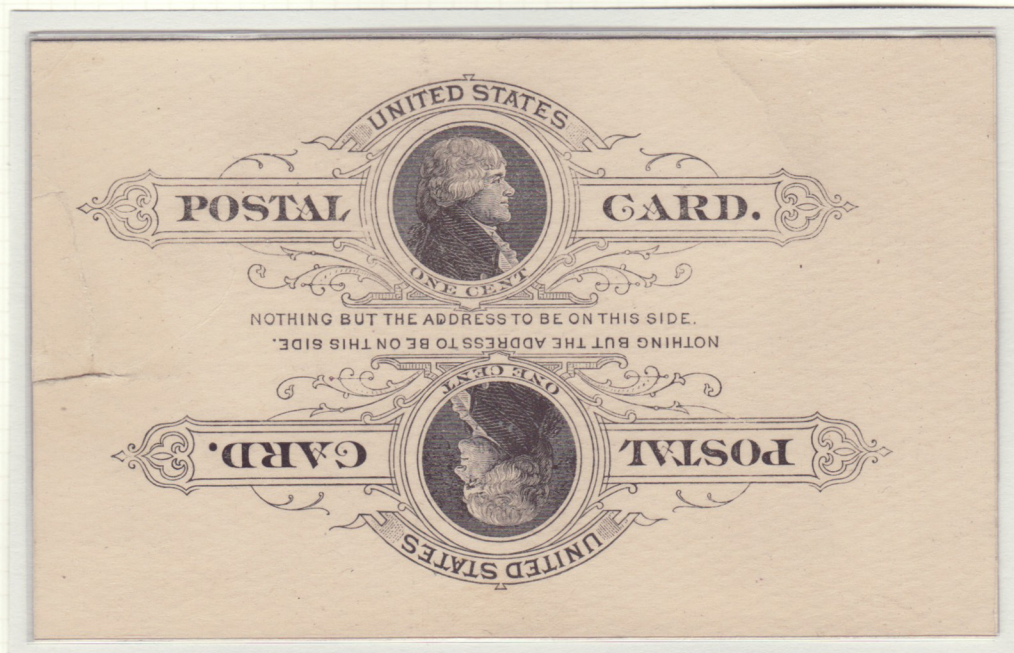
ISSUE OF 1885



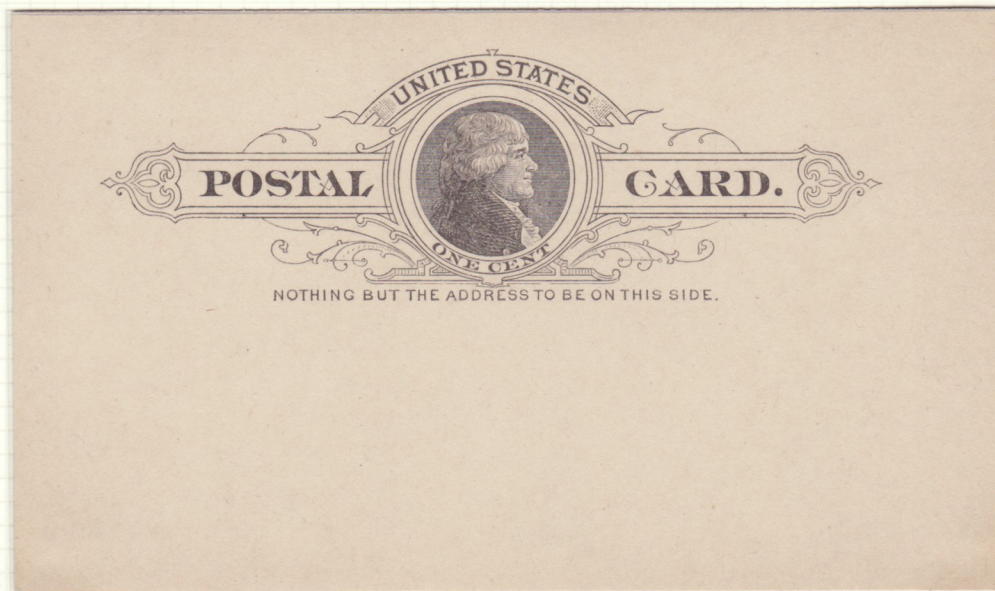
- * "M" AS PART OF DESIGN; While it is unknown if this variety constitutes a true error, its intent is also unknown, but it is the only reported example, despite specialists searching for many years to find another. It has been speculated that it is either a "secret" mark or a printer's mark.



ISSUE OF 1886



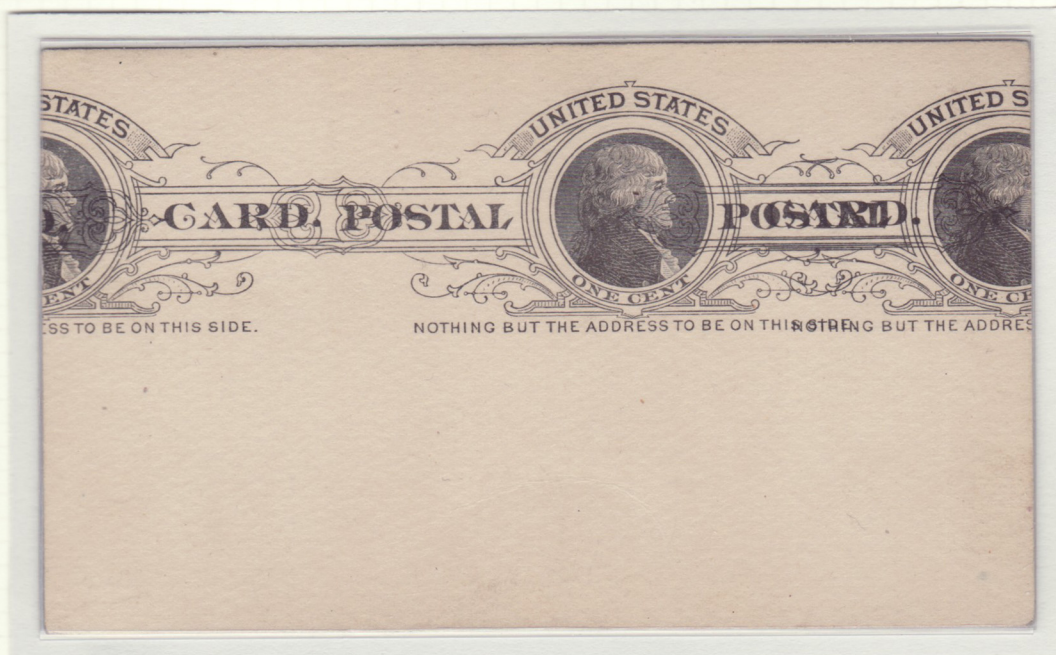
***DOUBLE IMPRESSION, ONE INVERTED; three known (2 mint, one used). This variety occurs when a printed sheet is put through the press a second time after being rotated 180 degrees.**



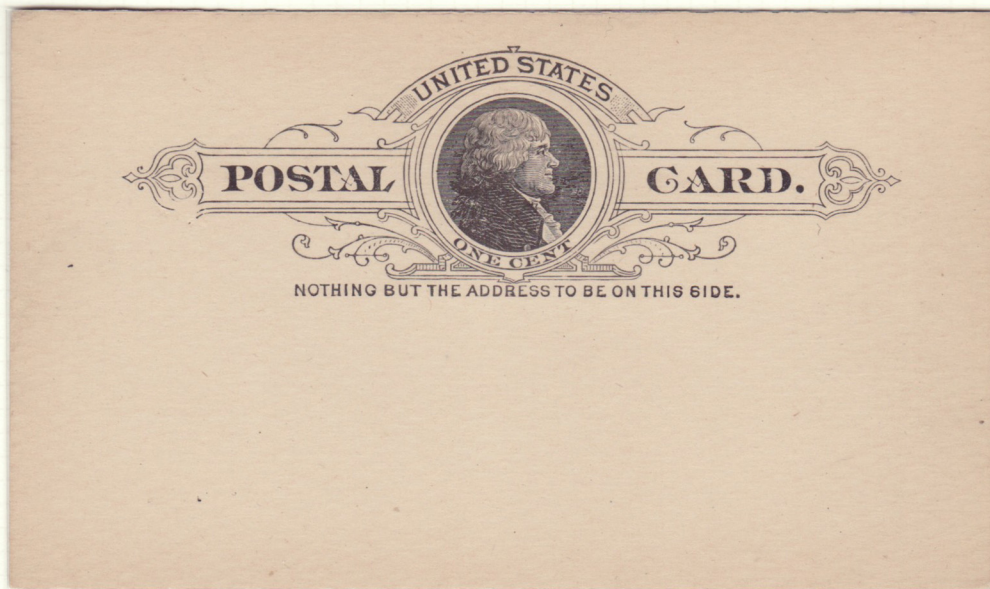
NORMAL

*** With expert
certification.**

ISSUE OF 1886

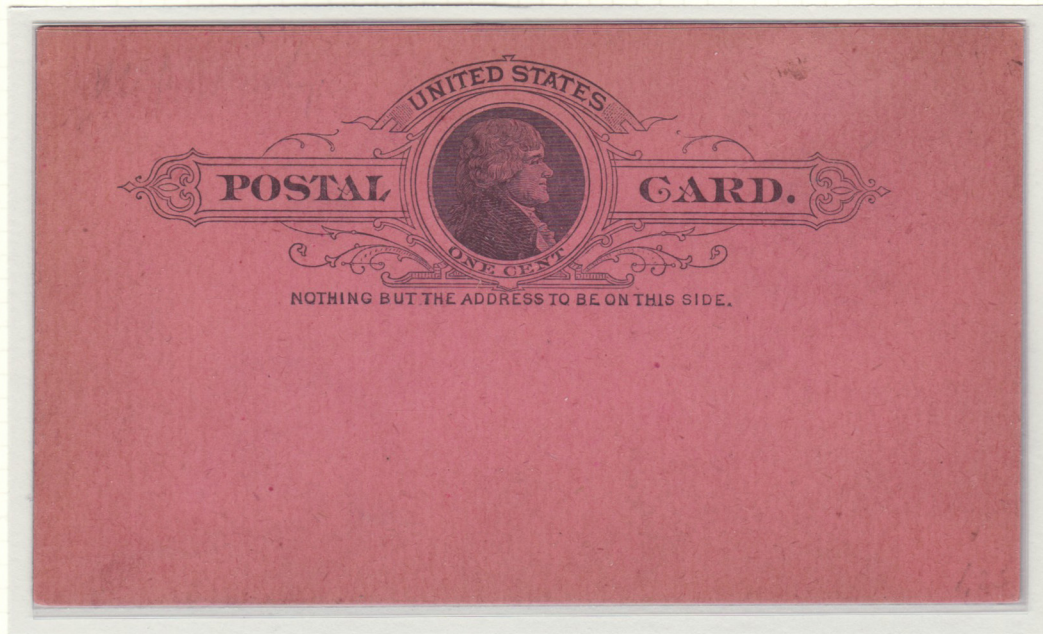


* TRIPLE IMPRESSION - ALL NORMAL POSITION; Only reported mint copy.



NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1886



- * PRINTED ON SALMON PINK CARD STOCK; pink protective sheets of cardstock were used on top of stacks of normal sheets carried by wagon the short distance from the Wilkinson Paper Mills to the Albert Daggett factory for printing. The pink sheets were weighted down with bricks and were to be returned with the wagon to be reused on top of other loads of sheets. One sheet was accidentally printed and a few cards were sold. The USPCC incorrectly notes that this salmon pink card was a "counting card", but this misinformation will be corrected in future editions.

ISSUE OF 1886



*** DESIGN PARTLY MISSING;** Catalogers list and recognize as errors, varieties exhibiting a portion of the design missing, whether a cause is, or is not known. Such errors are included in this study. This example was clearly caused by a foldover.

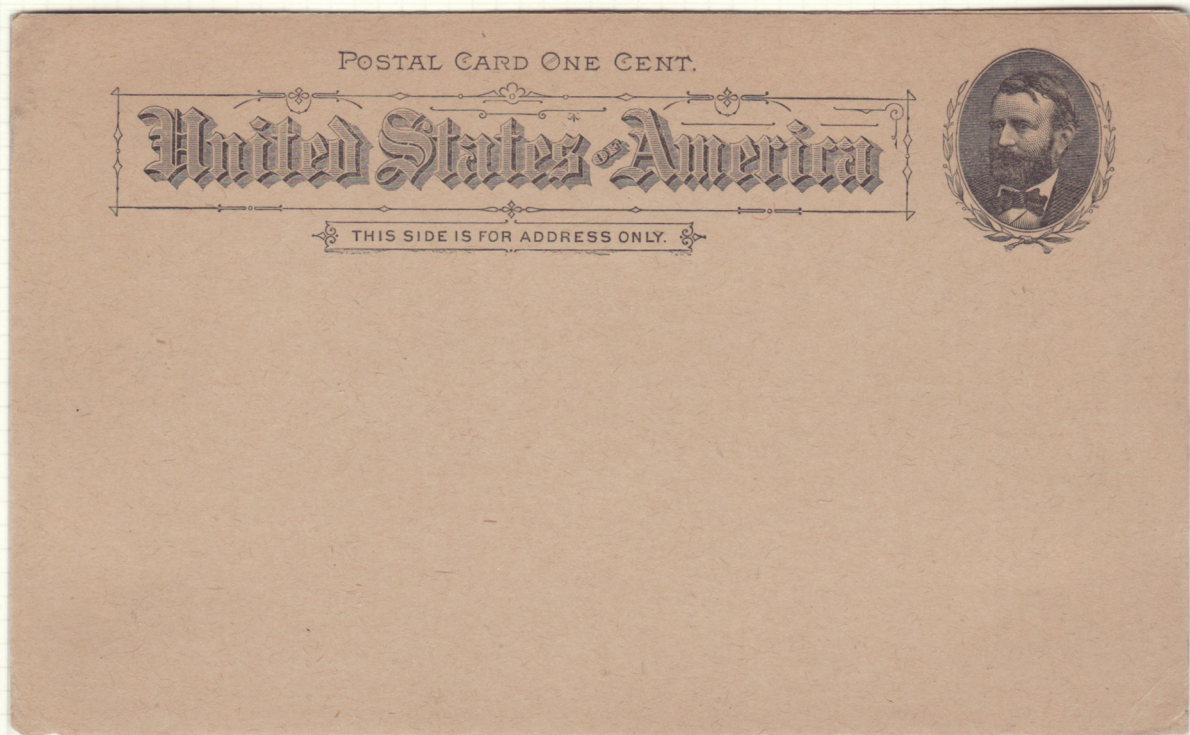


*** Probably caused by a stray piece of paper or card laying on the sheet as it passed through the press.**

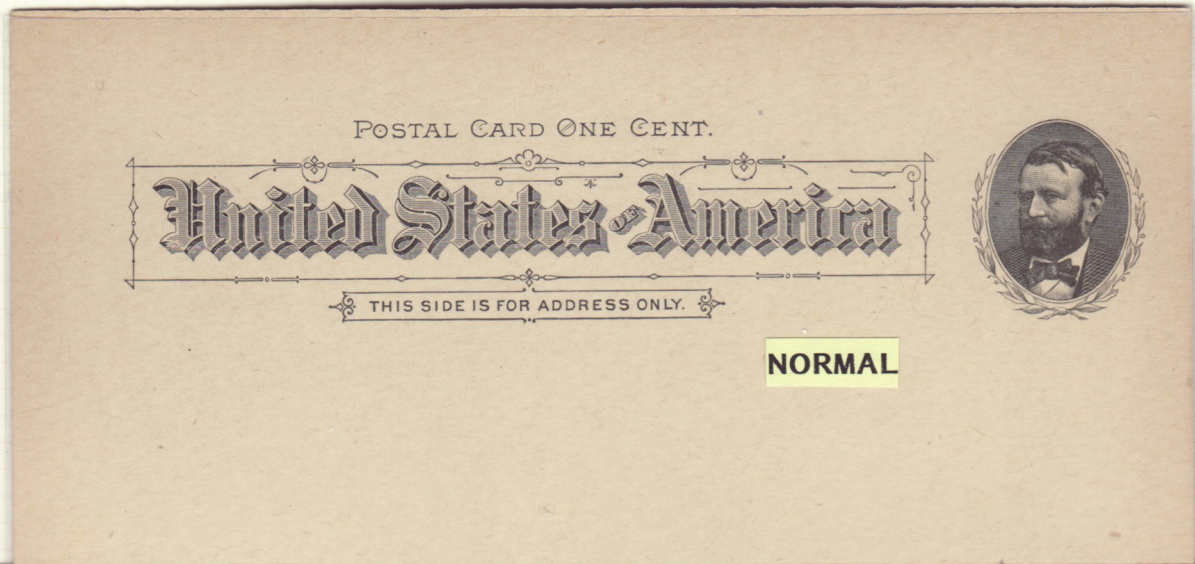
ISSUE OF 1891



* DOUBLE IMPRESSION, BOTH IN NORMAL POSITION.



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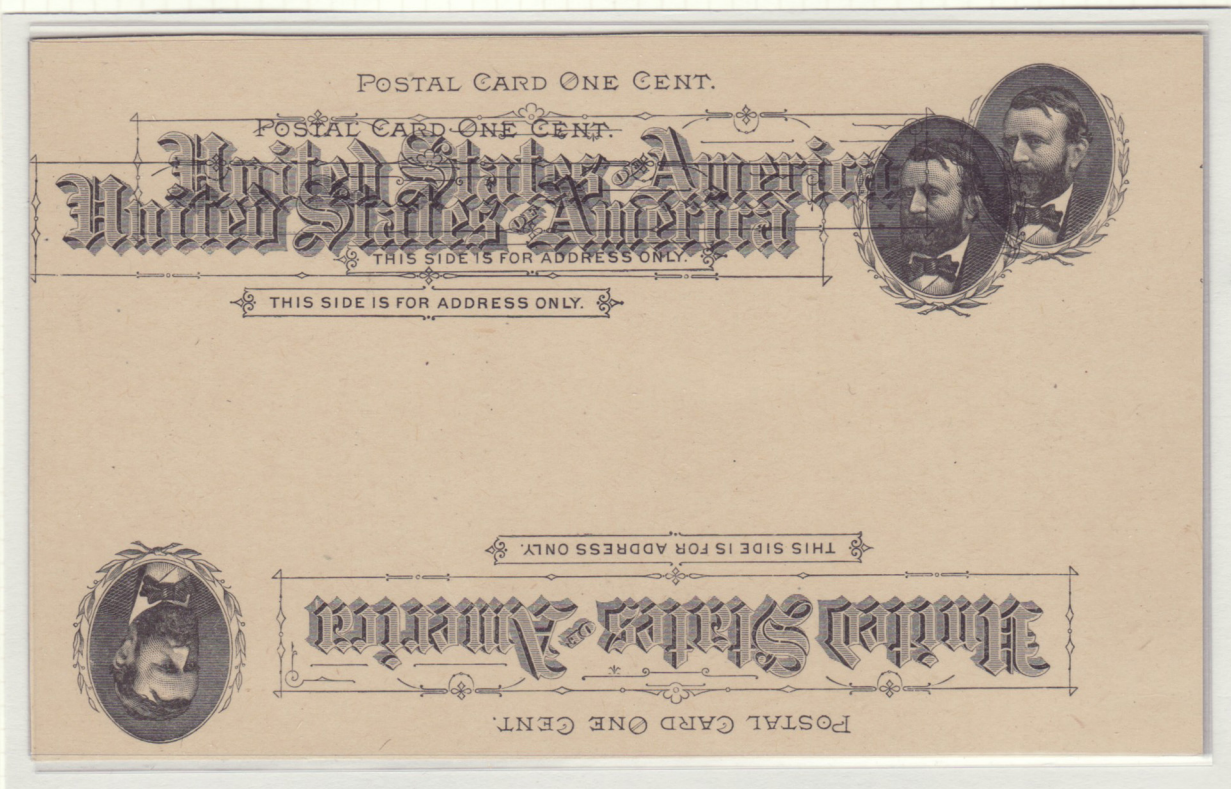


- * DOUBLE IMPRESSION, ONE INVERTED. PORTIONS OF FOUR CARDS PRINTED NORMALLY, CARD MISCUT; This spectacular error occurred when the printed sheet was put back in the press a second time, but was inverted, then was miscut when it was assumed that the inverted design was right-side up. No other multiple impression with this exact sequence is known and this is the only reported example.

ISSUE OF 1891



* DOUBLE IMPRESSION, ONE INVERTED.



* TRIPLE IMPRESSION, TWO NORMAL, ONE INVERTED. FOUR KNOWN.

ISSUE OF 1891

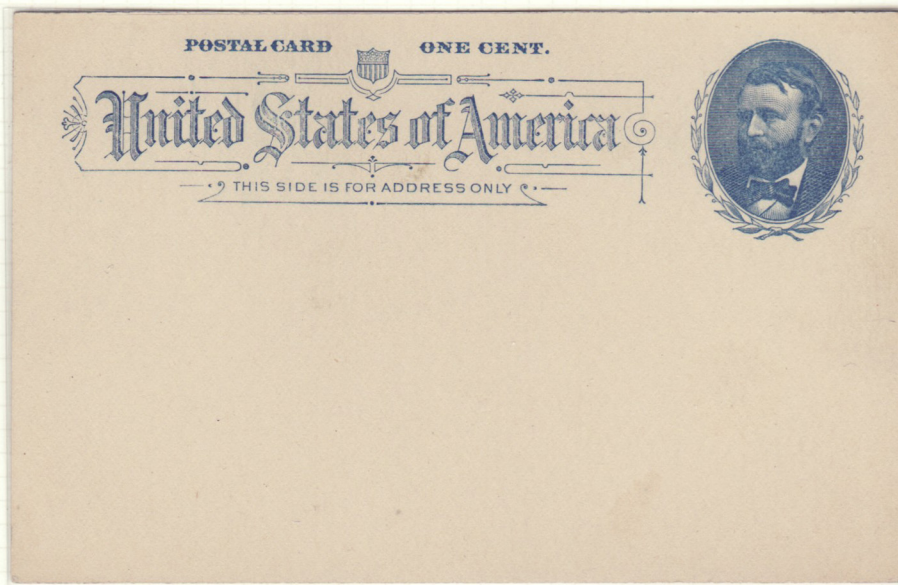


* QUINTUPLE IMPRESSION, THREE INVERTED, TWO NORMAL; only two U.S. postal cards have been reported bearing five impressions and both are unique. The other is found on the 1910 issue card.

ISSUE OF 1891



* DOUBLE IMPRESSION, ONE INVERTED; Two reported.



NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1894

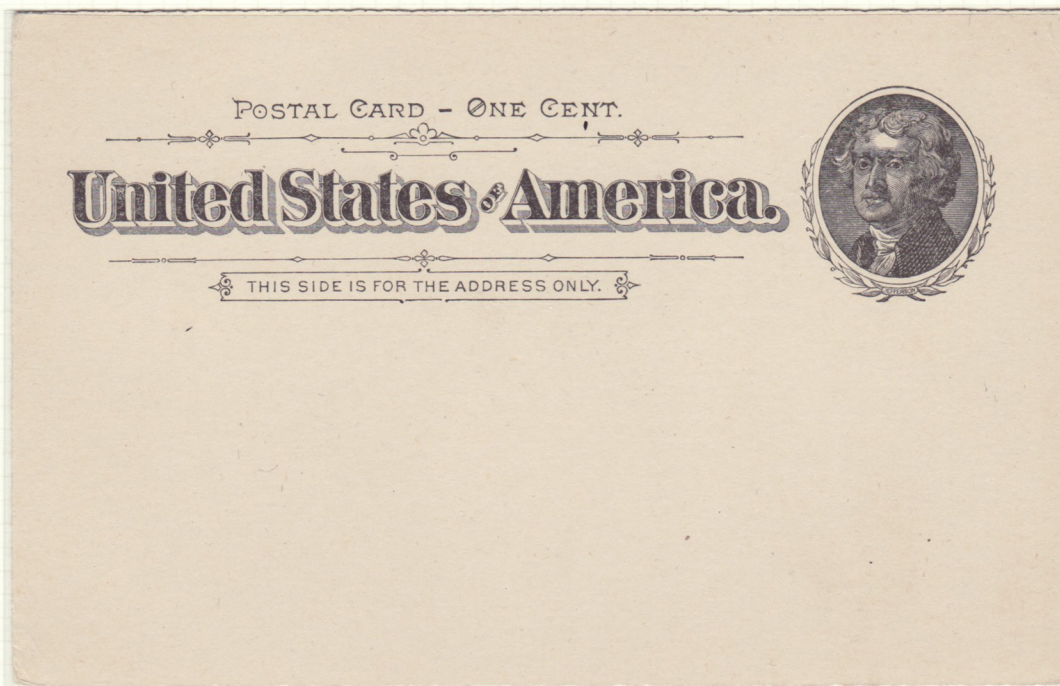


*** MISSING IMPRESSION;** Only the 1894 1¢ and 1897 2¢ postal cards measure exactly 89x140mm after cutting;

Of these two, the 1¢ was printed in black, the 2¢ in blue;

Traces of black ink can be seen on the card;

Cards were printed in sheets and cut apart AFTER printing and since this card shows contemporary-cut edges, it obviously was intended to be an 1894 1¢ card. Only reported example.



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DESIGN PARTLY MISSING; Likely caused by overlapping sheets during printing or a stray piece of paper or card lying on the sheet as it passed through the press. Such varieties are not common. Top copy with expert certification.

ISSUE OF 1898

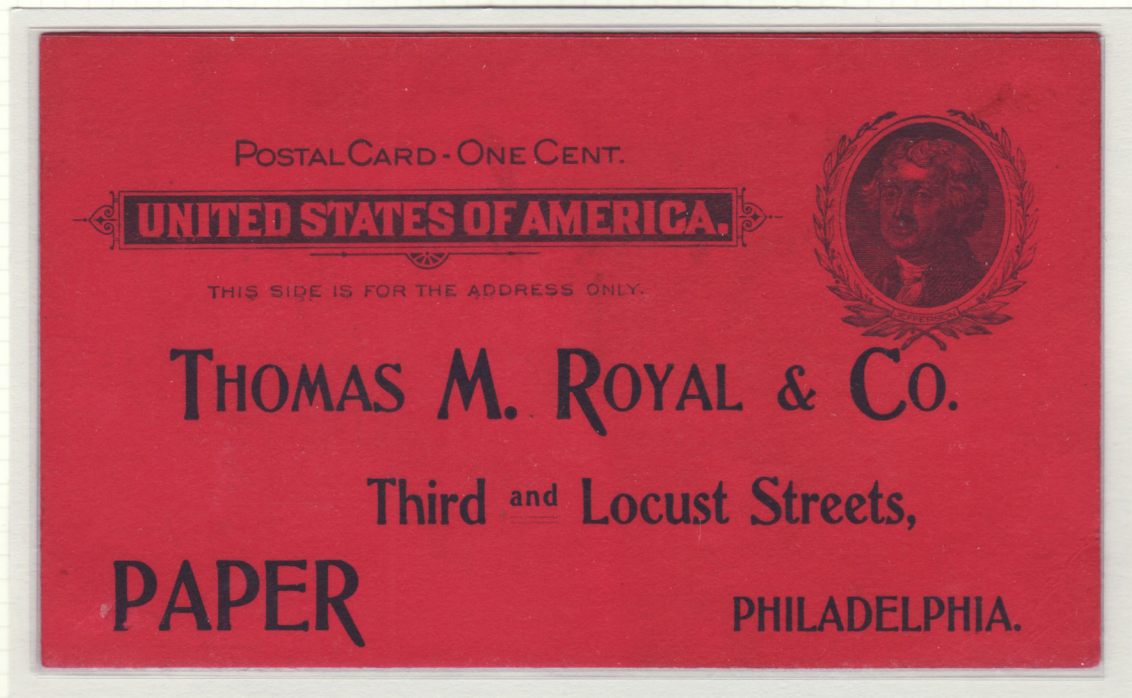


* DOUBLE IMPRESSION, ONE INVERTED; Four mint examples known.



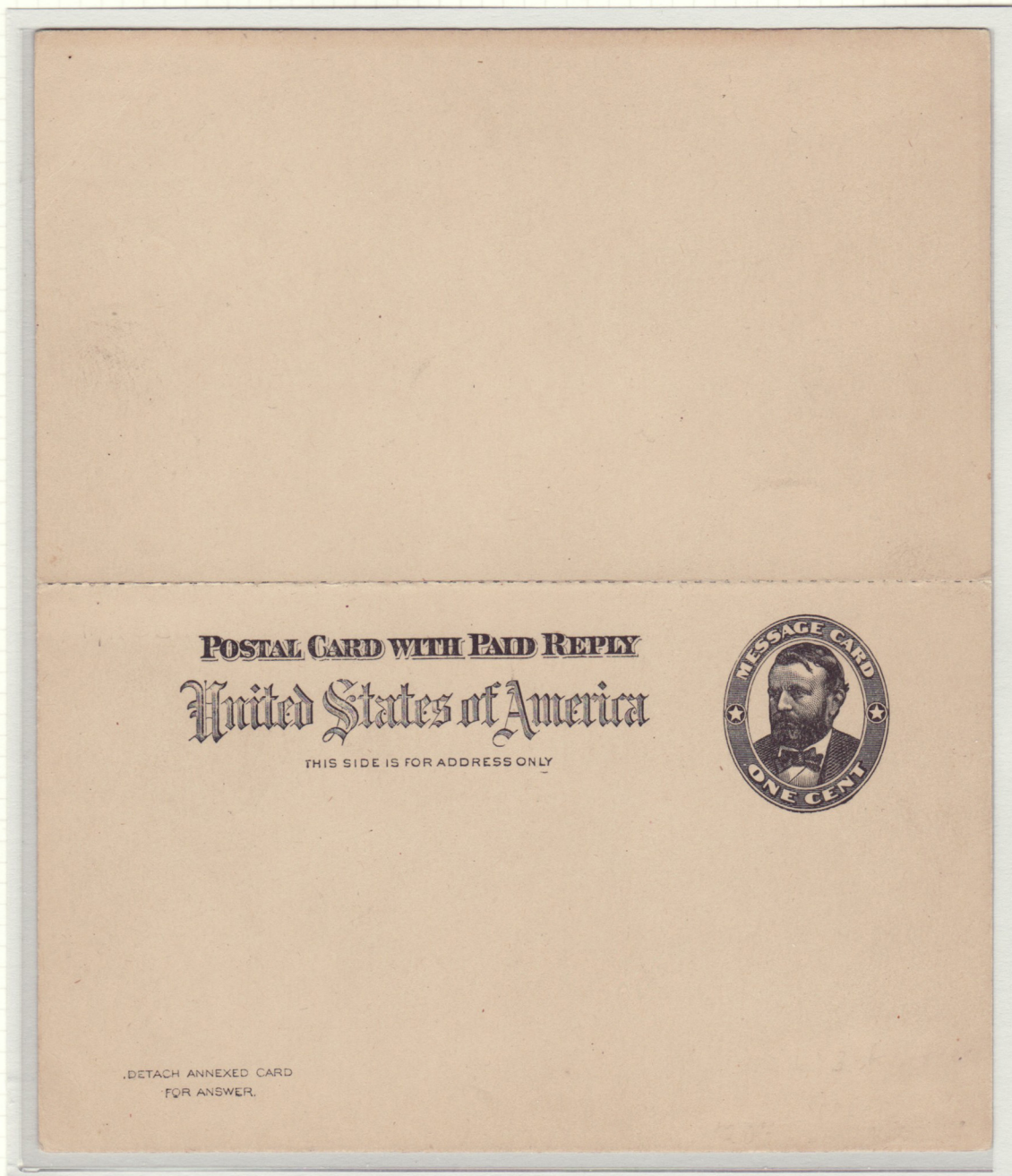
NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1898



* PRINTED ON RED PAPER; these cards were printed in sheets, and after every 500 sheets, one sheet in this color was inserted as a counting measure. Failure to remove this sheet would result in it being printed, cut and distributed in the usual way. Only a few U.S. postal cards are found printed on counting spacer paper.

ISSUE OF 1898
Domestic Paid Reply Card

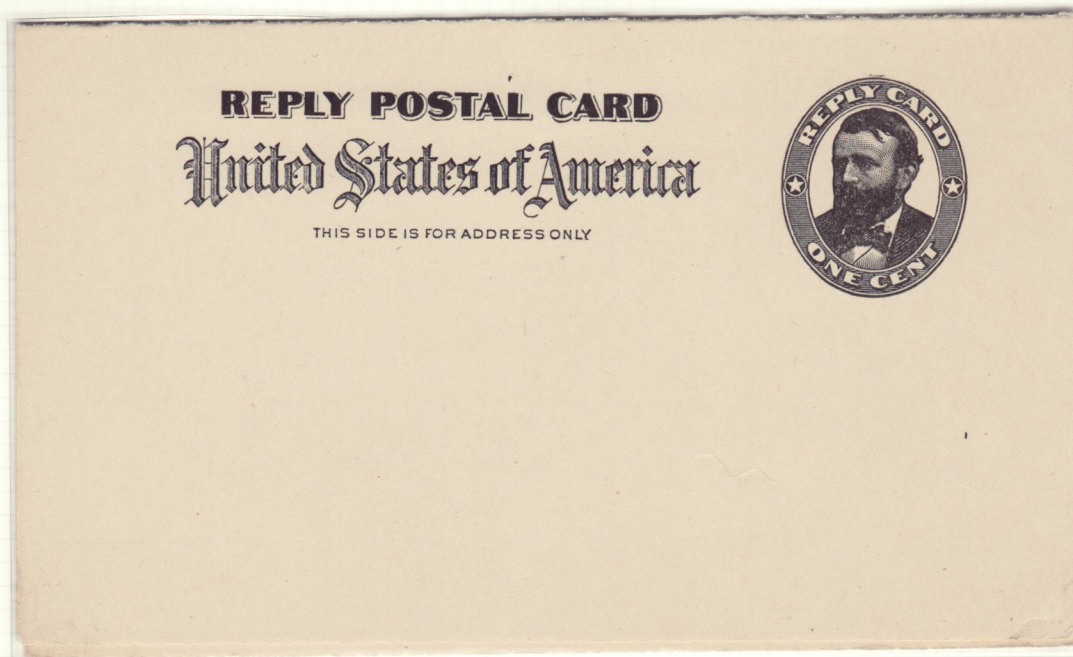


- * **MESSAGE CARD PRINTED BOTH SIDES, REPLY CARD BLANK.**
Unfortunately, errors such as this can not be displayed in any
meaningful way!

ISSUE OF 1898
Domestic Paid Reply Card

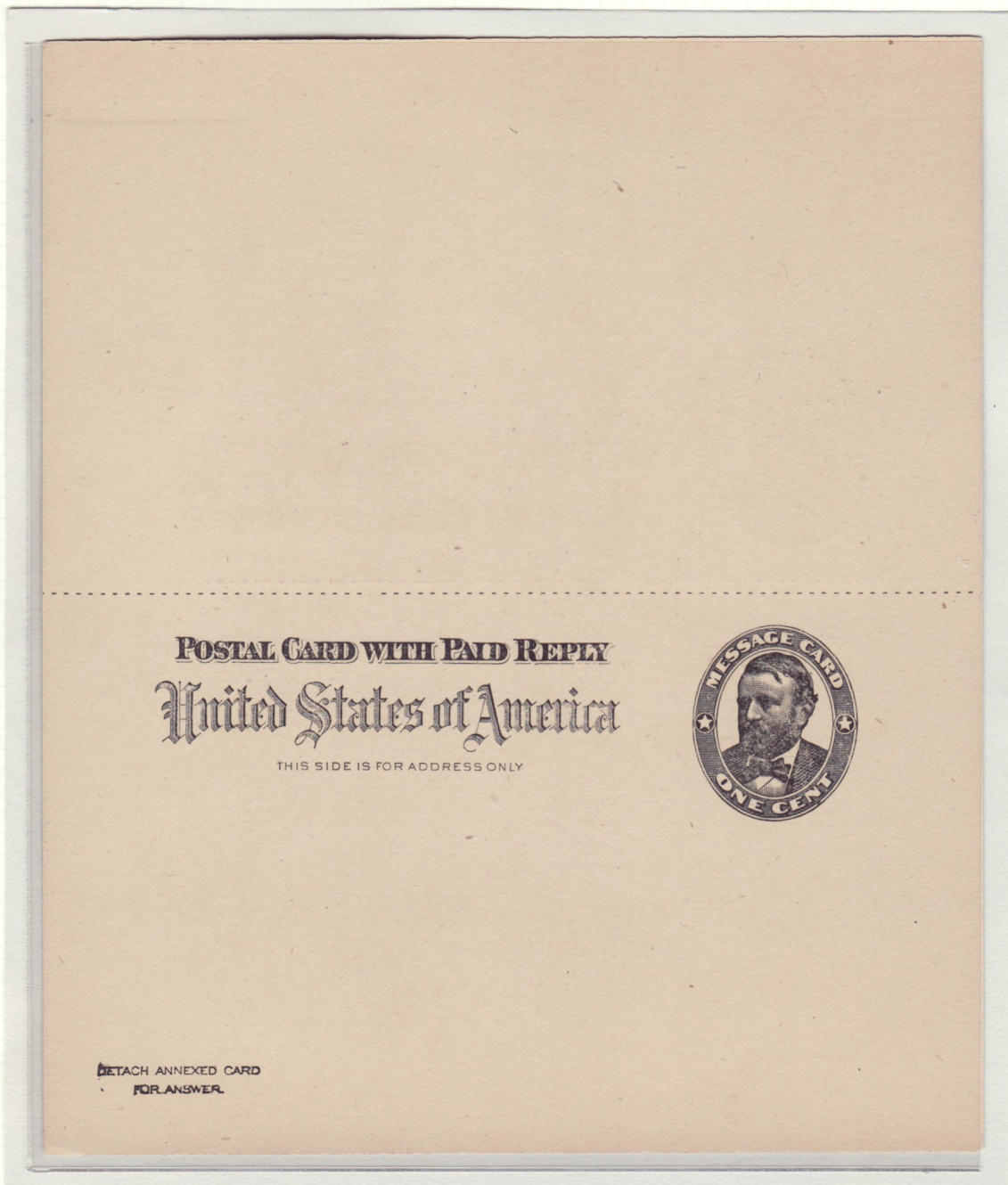


* MESSAGE CARD NORMAL, REPLY CARD DOUBLE IMPRESSION.



NORMAL

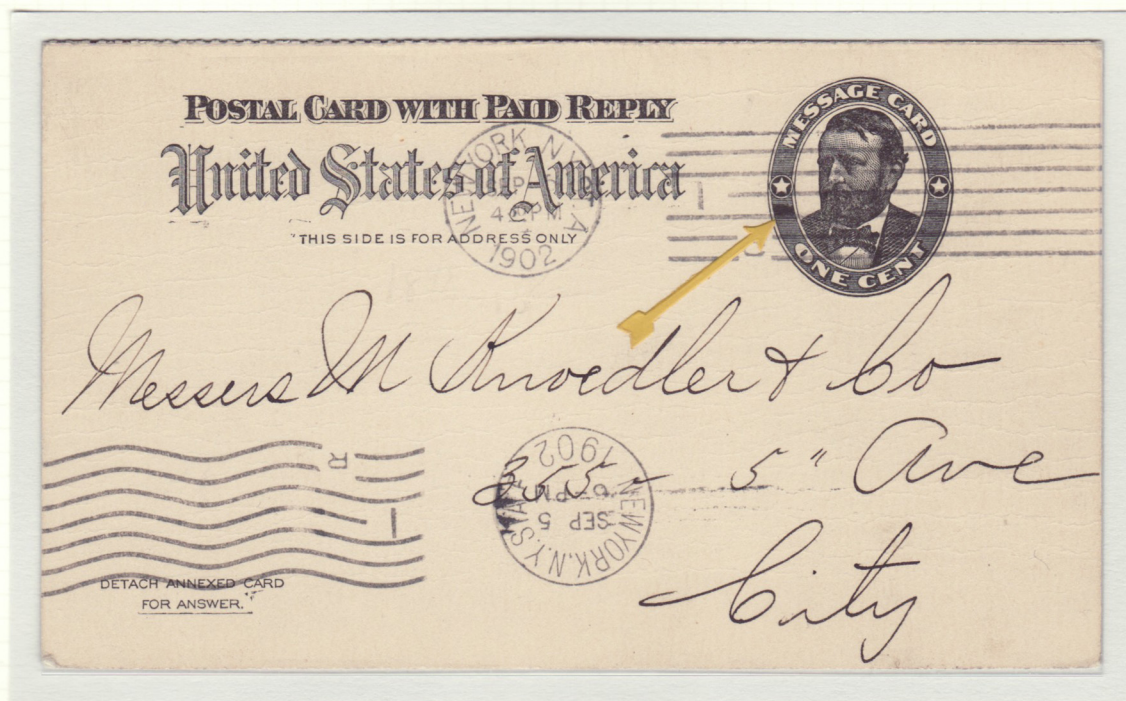
ISSUE OF 1898
Domestic Paid Reply Card



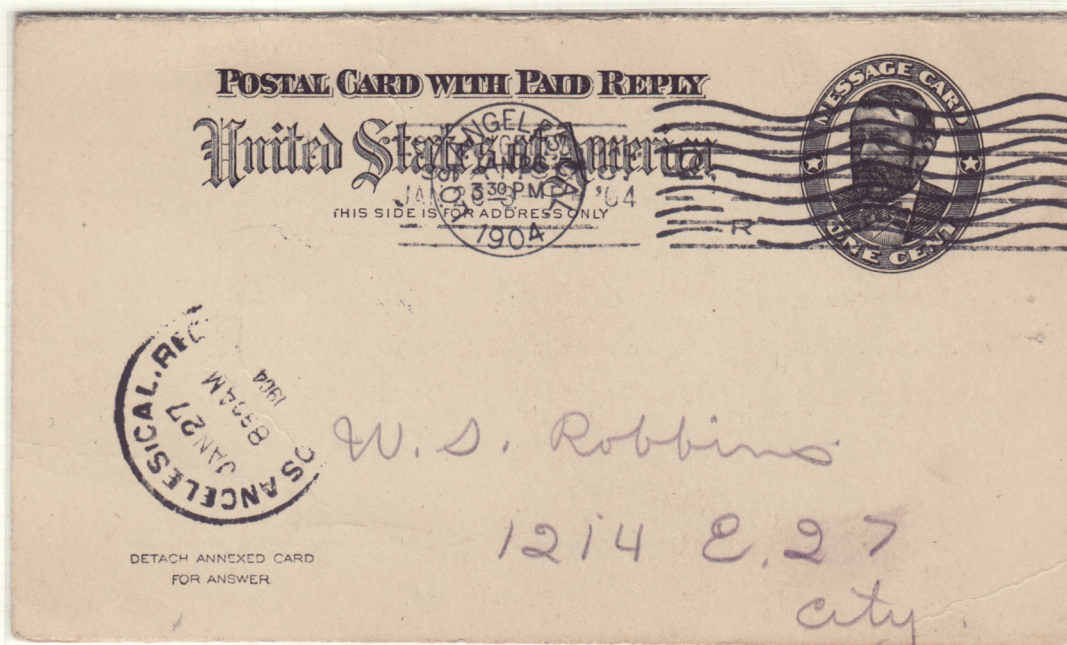
* MESSAGE DESIGN PRINTED ON BOTH HALVES.

This card differs from the last in that it is printed on both sides (back-to-back) whereas the previous card is printed on each half (on bottom front and on top reverse.)

ISSUE OF 1898
Domestic Paid Reply Card

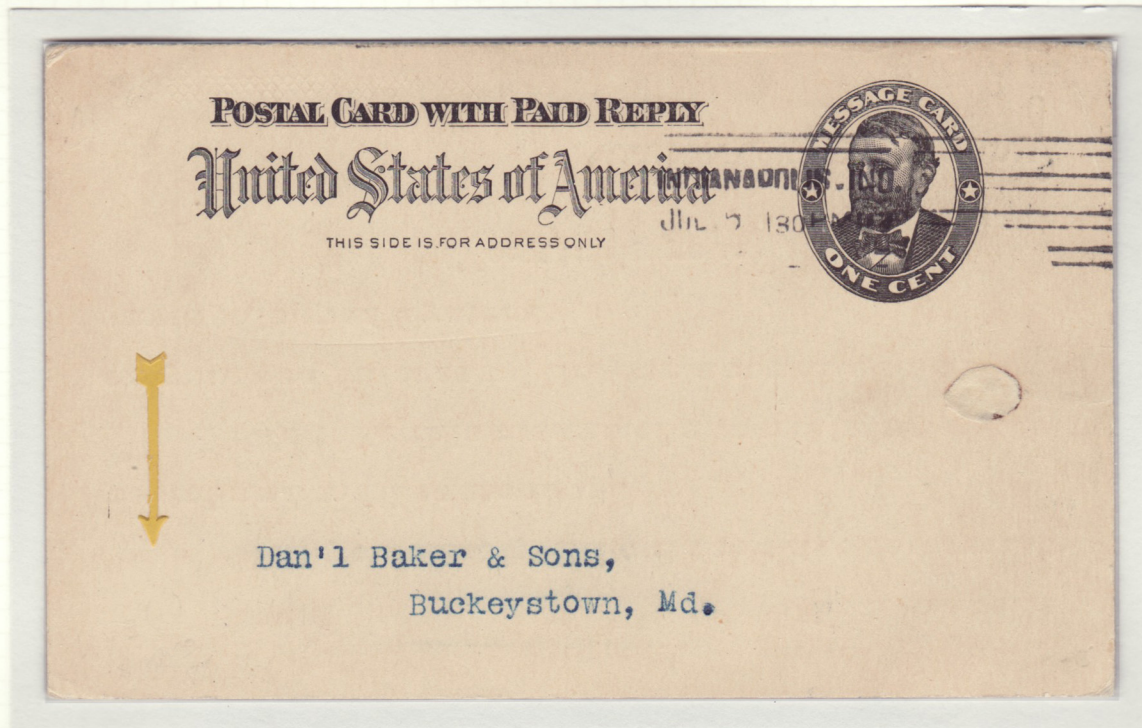


* SOLID BAR BELOW LEFT STAR; two used copies known.
Listed by catalogers and considered an error, but not
explained.

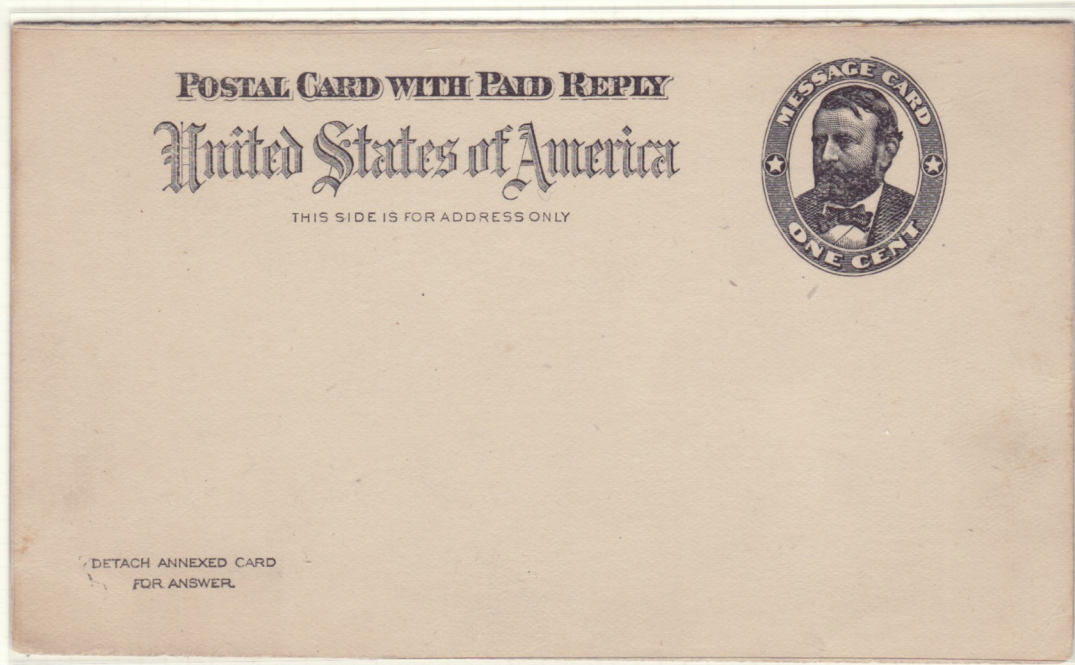


NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1898

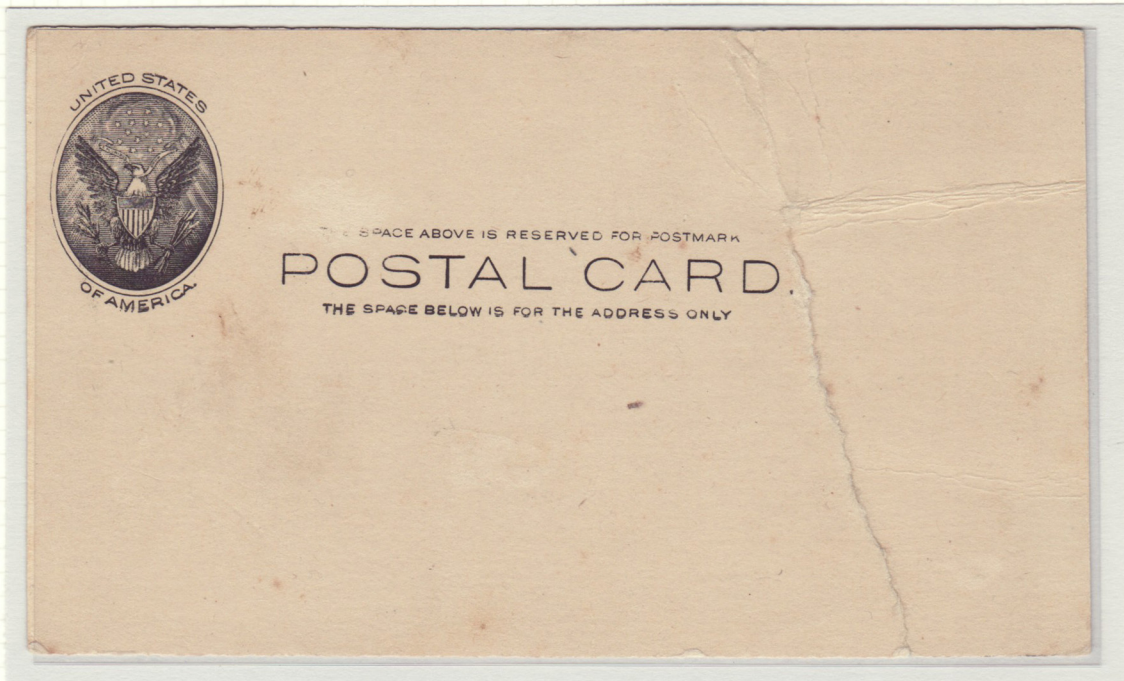


FOOTNOTE AT LOWER LEFT OMITTED ON MESSAGE CARD;
The 1898 paid-reply card is the same design used for the 1892 issue card, with the borders burnished off by the contractor (Daggett) as a result of many complaints about the poor centering of the earlier cards. During the burnishing, the footnote was inadvertently removed on one of the steel plates.

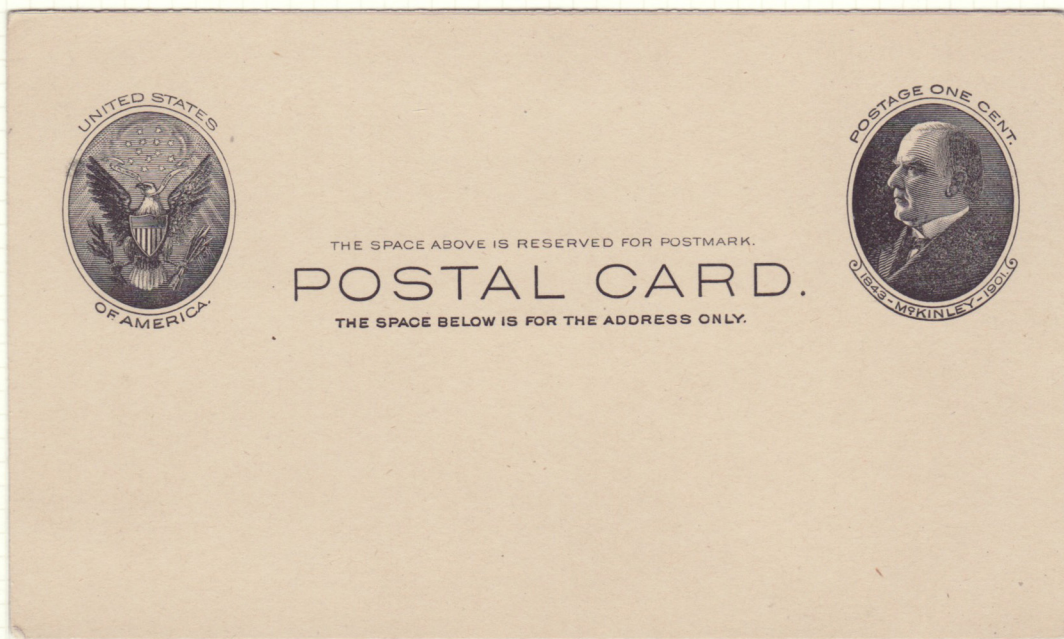


NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1902



PART OF DESIGN OMITTED; caused by a foldover, a portion of the missing design is printed on the back of the card. Only reported example.



NORMAL

* MESSAGE DESIGN PRINTED
ON BOTH HALVES.



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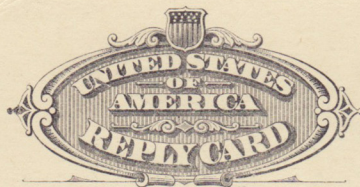
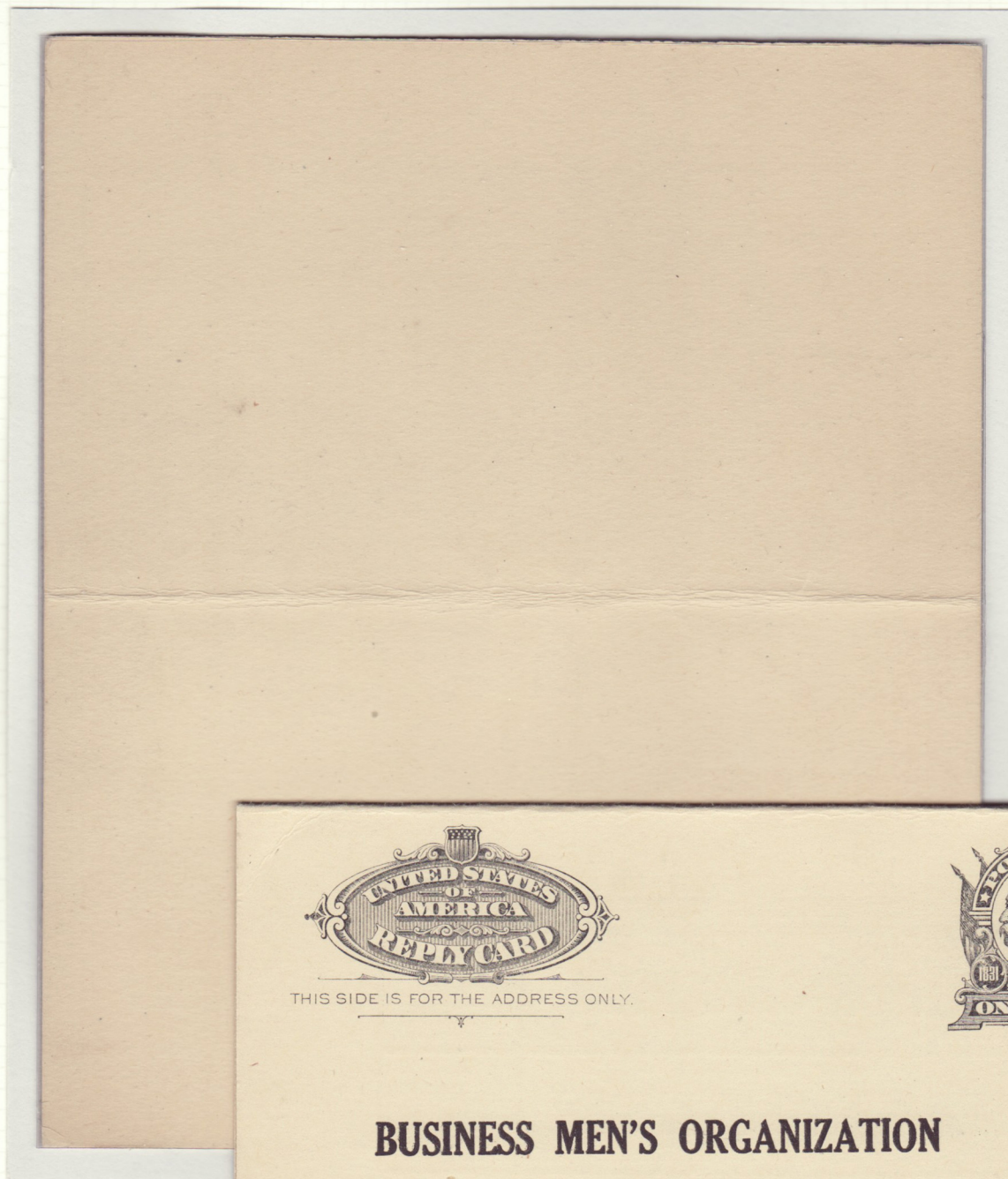


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ISSUE OF 1904
Domestic Message-Reply Card



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Germain Building

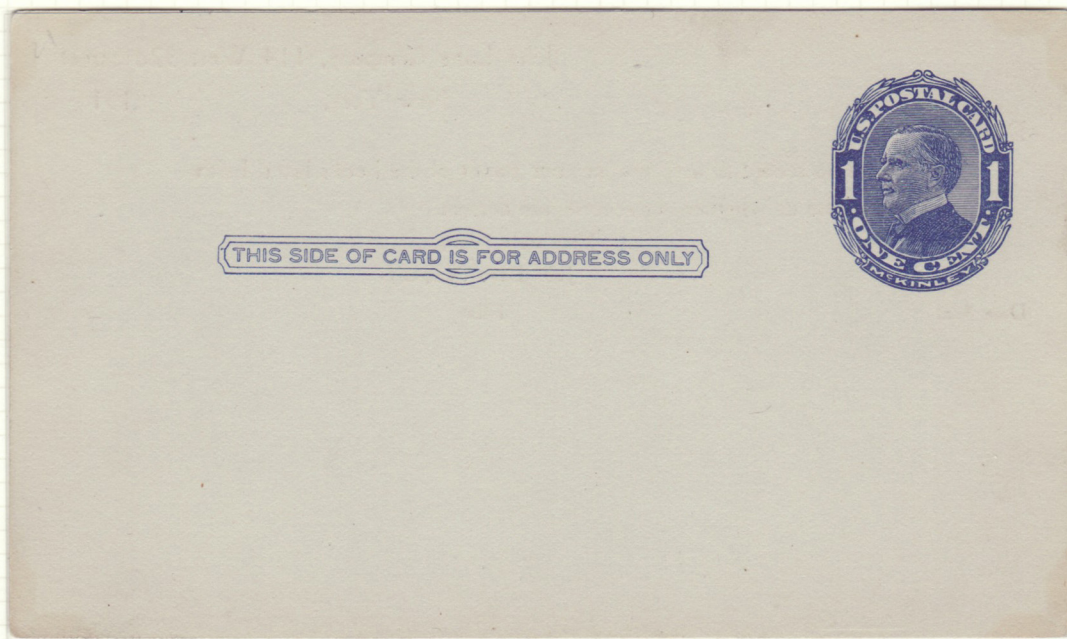
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* MESSAGE SIDE BLANK, REPLY SIDE NORMAL.

ISSUE OF 1910



*** DOUBLE IMPRESSION.**



NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1910



* TRIPLE IMPRESSION

ISSUE OF 1910
Domestic Paid Reply Card

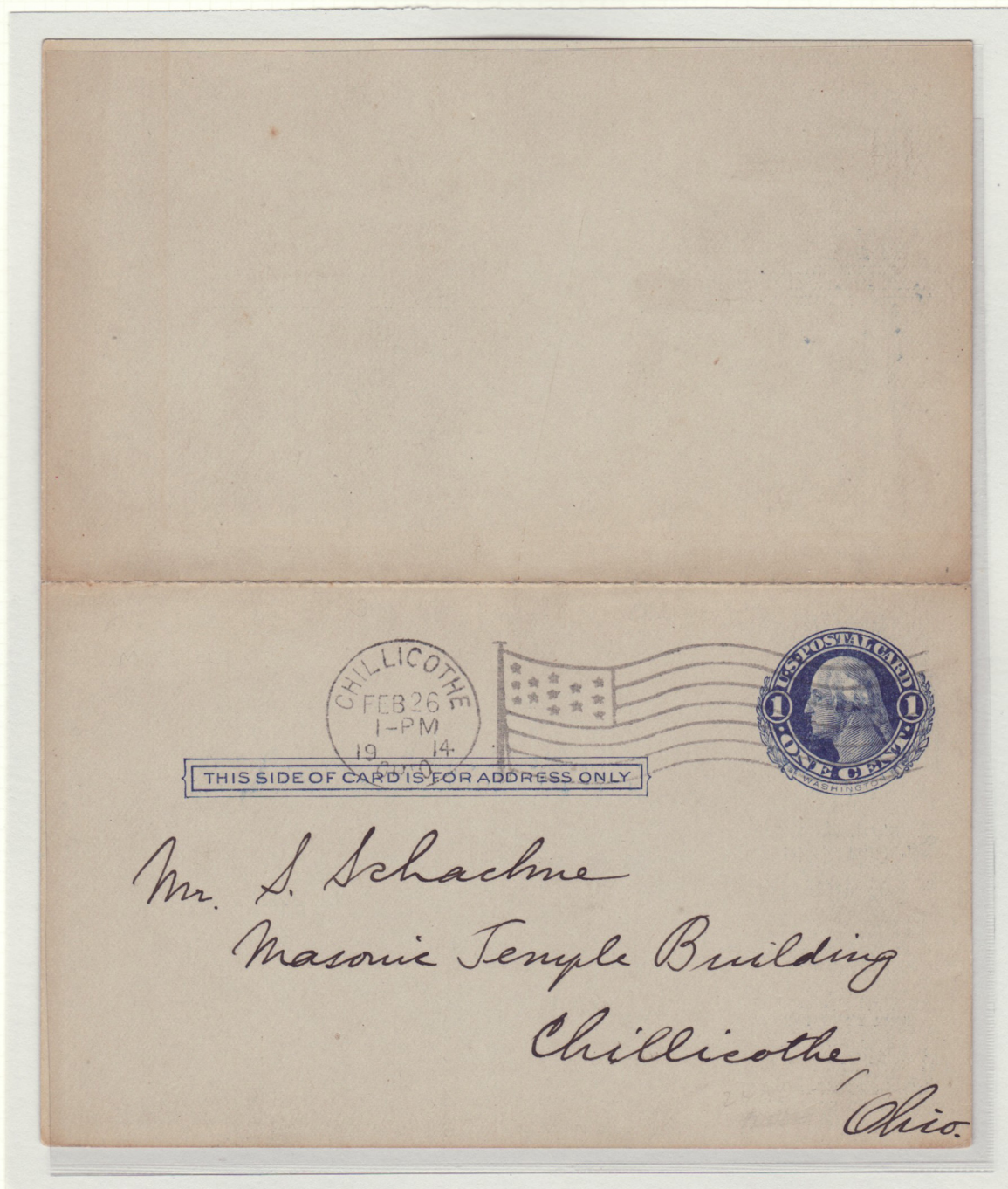


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NORMAL

MESSAGE CARD NORMAL, REPLY CARD BLANK.

ISSUE OF 1910
Domestic Paid Reply Card



* MESSAGE CARD NORMAL, REPLY CARD BLANK;
Only reported used example.

ISSUE OF 1910

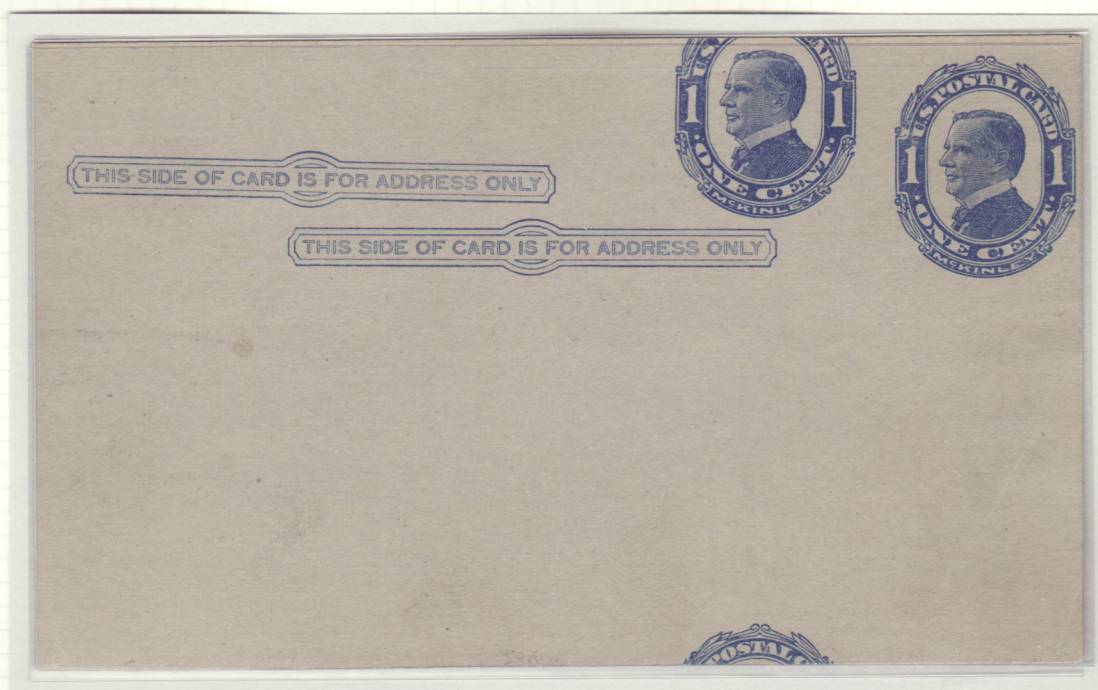


*** DOUBLE IMPRESSION.**

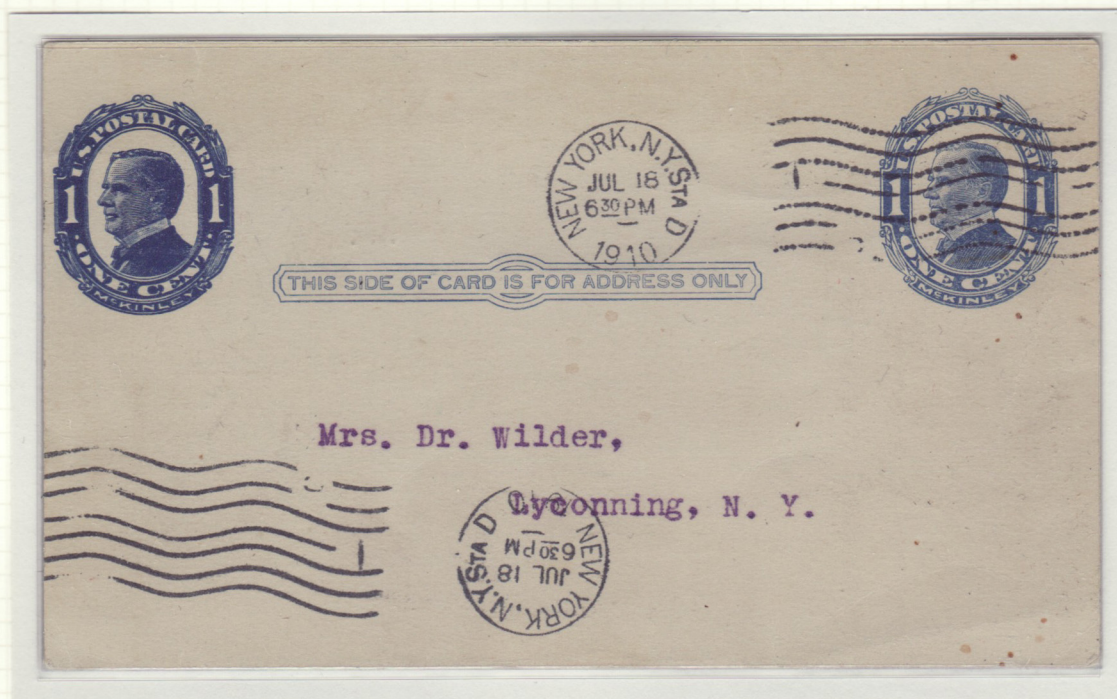


NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1910



* DOUBLE IMPRESSION, ONE SPLIT; only reported example.



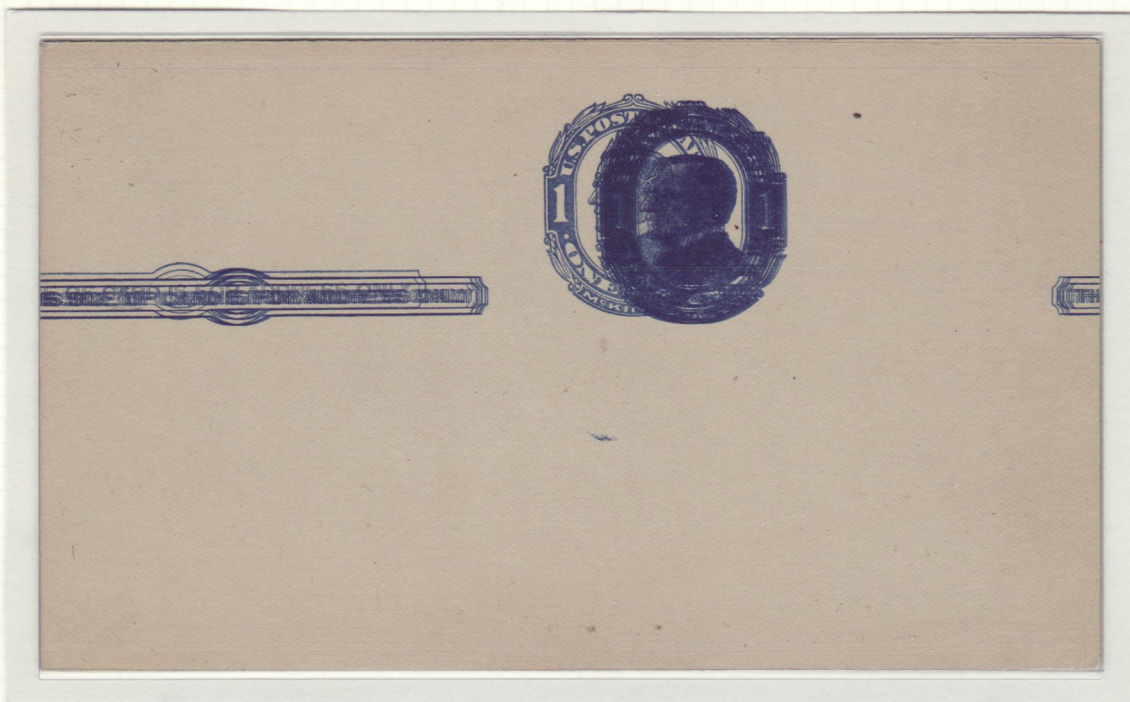
* TRIPLE IMPRESSION; the left two printed nearly directly atop each other. It is believed that most multiple impressions were printer's waste which was inadvertently sold to the public. Only used known.

ISSUE OF 1910



* TRIPLE IMPRESSION; the two right-side impressions are printed nearly atop one another and are split.

ISSUE OF 1910

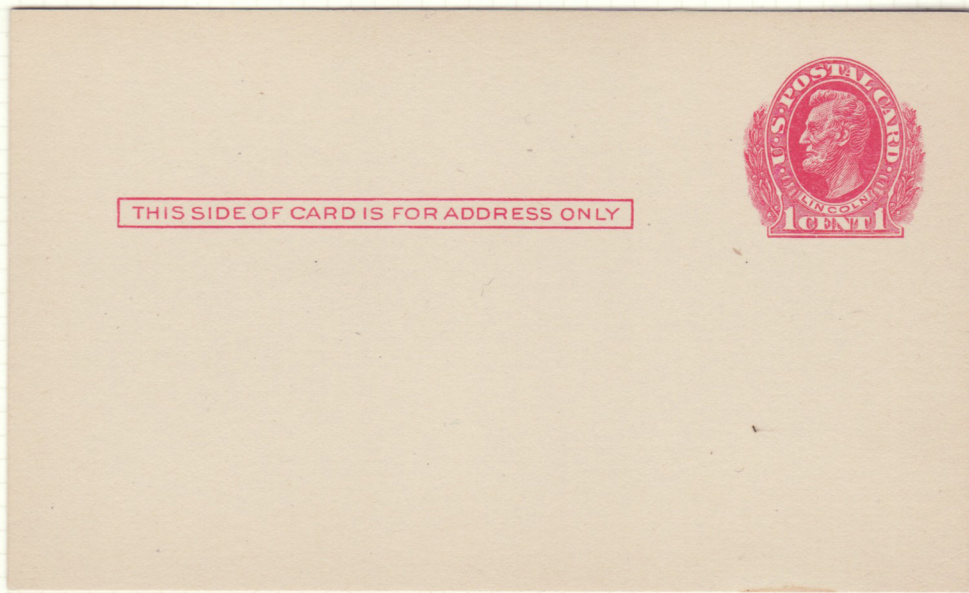


* **QUINTUPLE IMPRESSION;** four of the five impressions are printed nearly atop one another. Only one other U.S. postal card (1891 issue) has been reported bearing five impressions. Only reported mint example.

ISSUE OF 1911

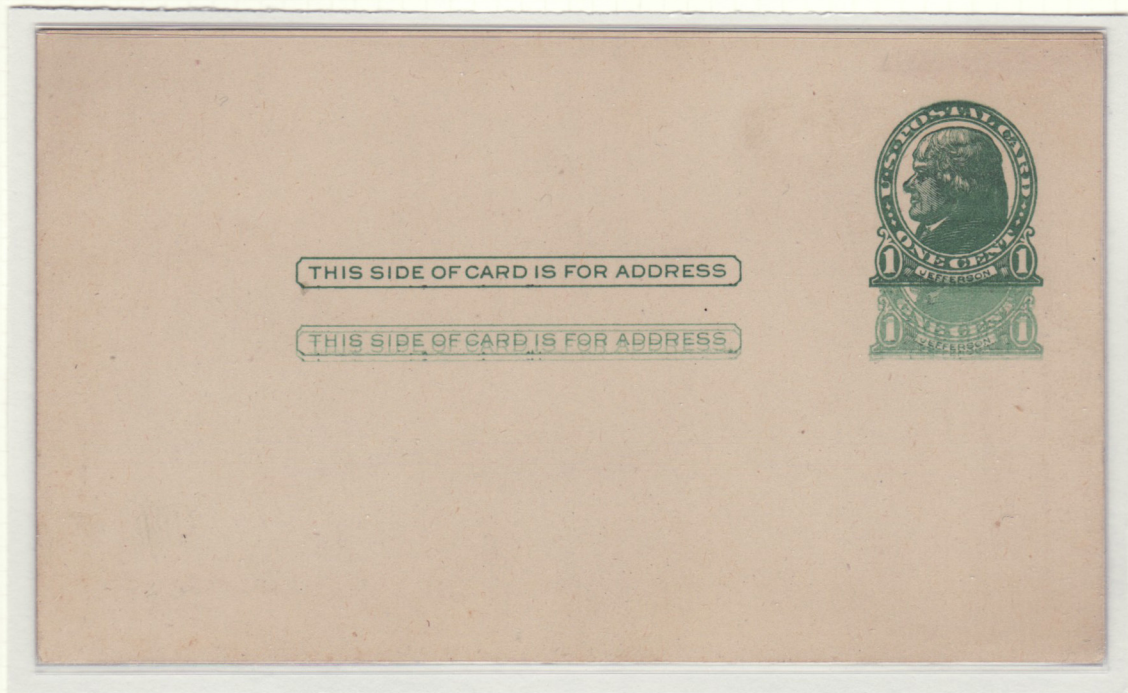


*** DOUBLE IMPRESSION; three known.**

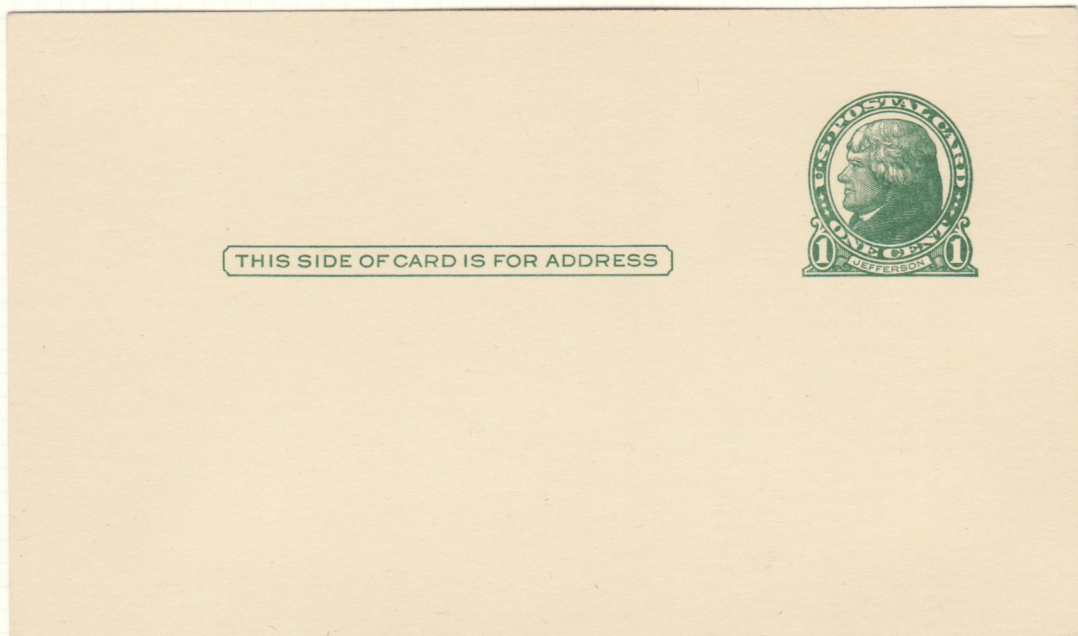


NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1914



*** TRIPLE IMPRESSION; Two reported.**



NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1914



- * **DOUBLE IMPRESSION;** Only known copy from flatbed plate. This card was printed from three different types of plates; two rotary and one flatbed. This reduced copy is that from which the catalog listing was made.

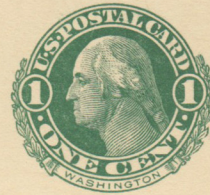


- * **QUADRUPLE IMPRESSION;** three mint copies reported.

ISSUE of 1915

Domestic Paid Reply Card

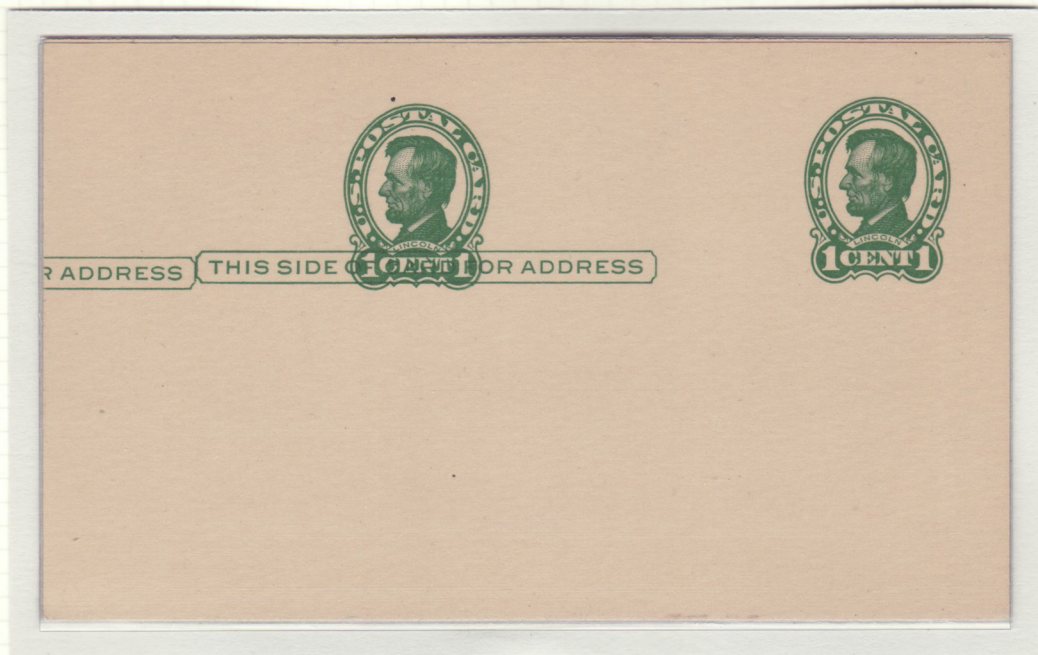
NORMAL



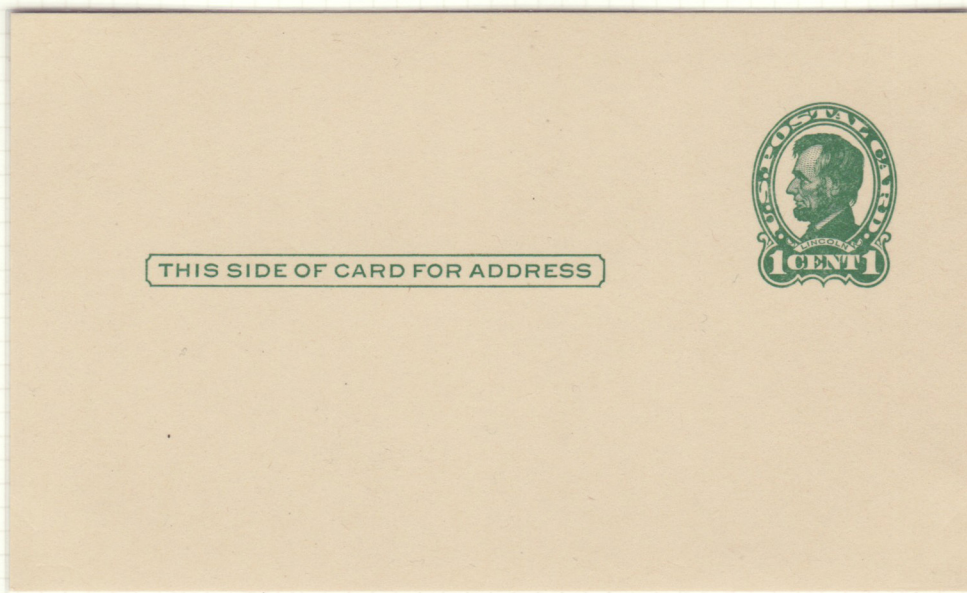
THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

* MESSAGE CARD NORMAL, REPLY CARD BLANK. TWO KNOWN.

ISSUE OF 1917

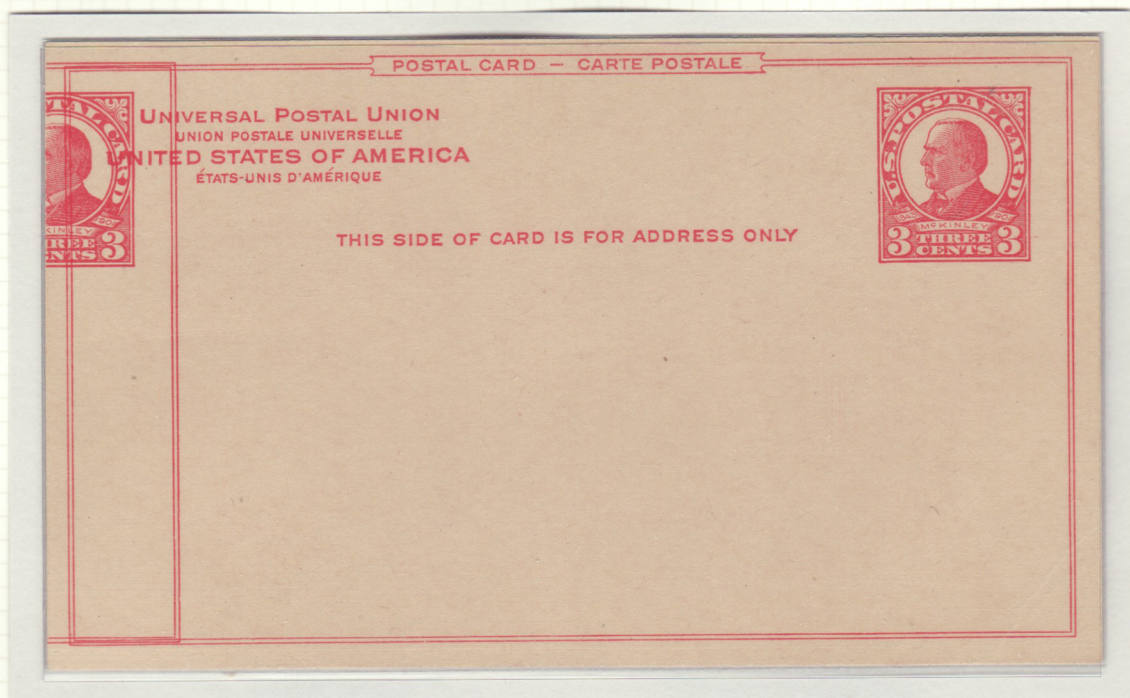


* DOUBLE IMPRESSION; only reported example.

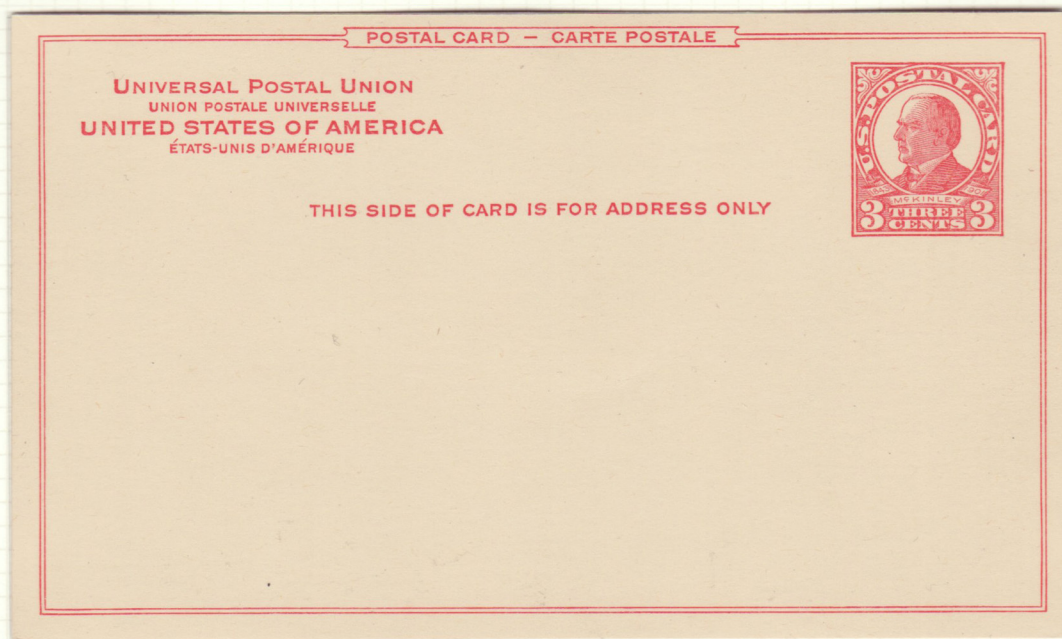


NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1926



* DOUBLE IMPRESSION.



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ISSUE OF 1949
AIR MAIL POSTAL

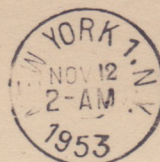
NORMAL

* Only nine used
copies have been
certified.

AIR MAIL-POSTAL CARD



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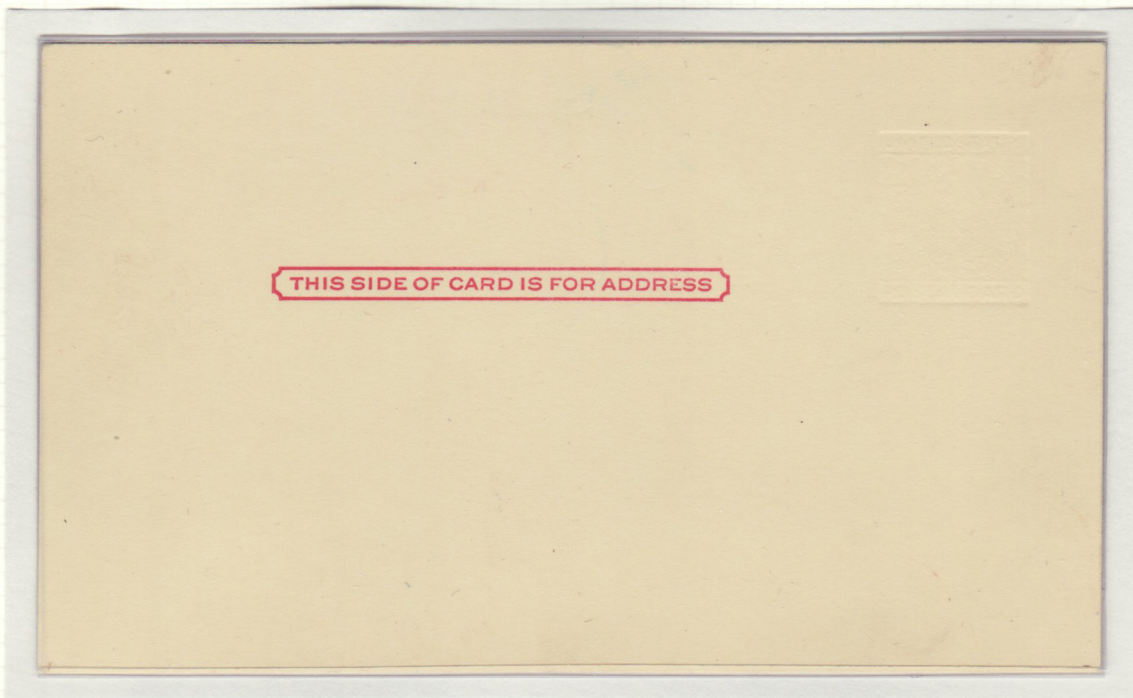


AIR MAIL-POSTAL CARD

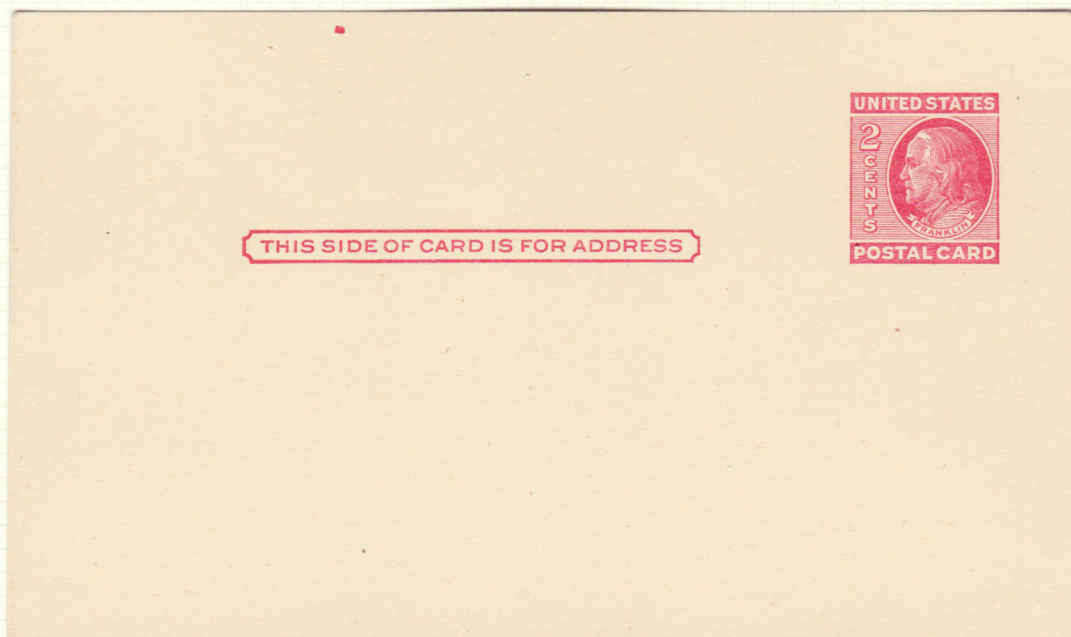


* DEEP RED; two noticeably different shades. The cause of this variety
is unknown.

ISSUE OF 1951

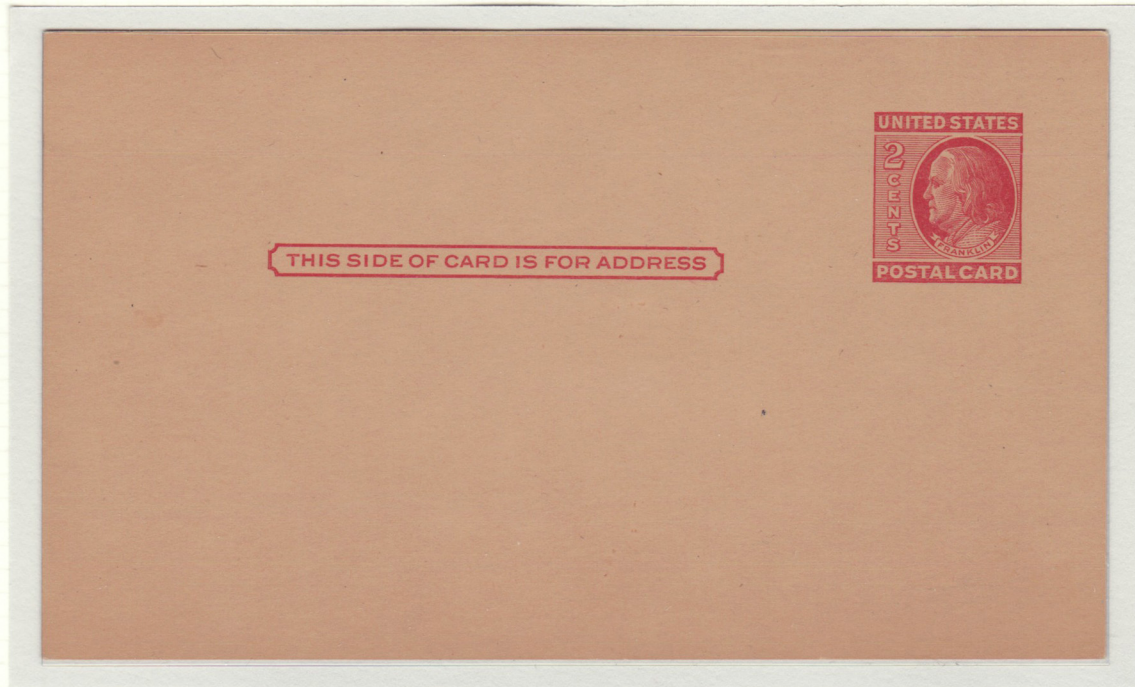


- * DESIGN PARTLY MISSING; Described by catalogers as "partial inscription with stamp completely missing", the cause is unknown.

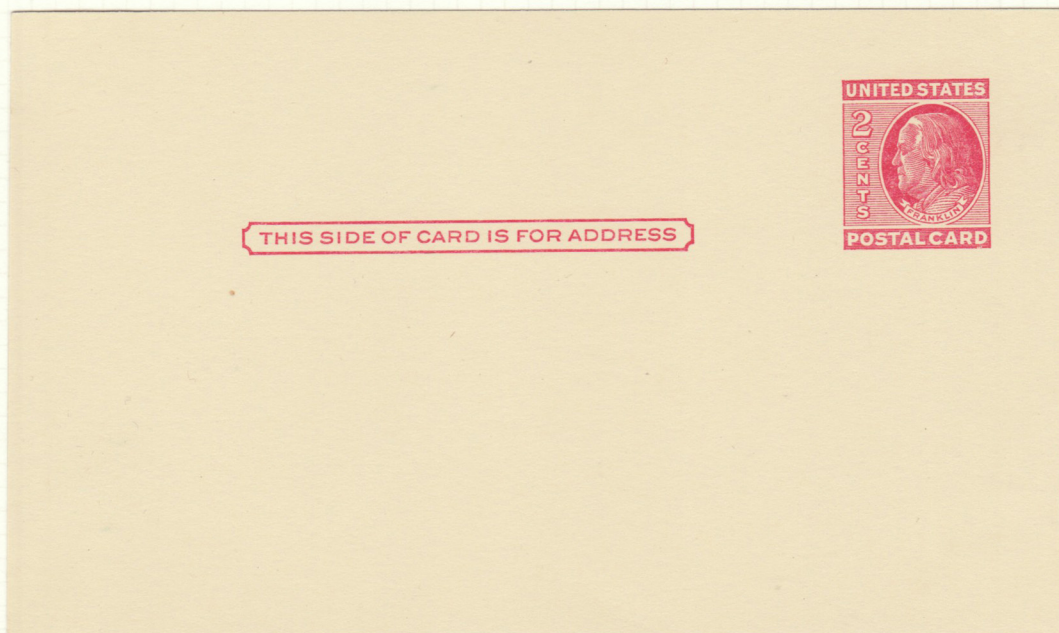


NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1951



* PRINTED ON COUNTER SPACER PAPER; only three other U.S. postal cards have been reported thus. See issue of 1898.



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ISSUE OF 1956

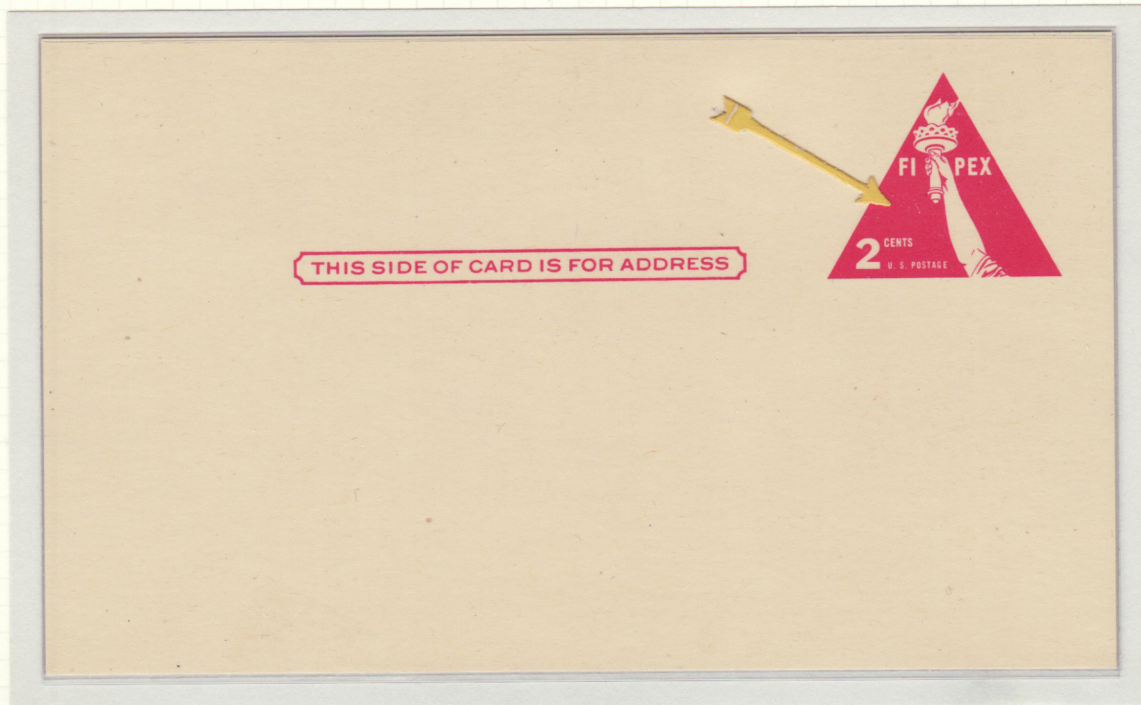
"FIPEX"



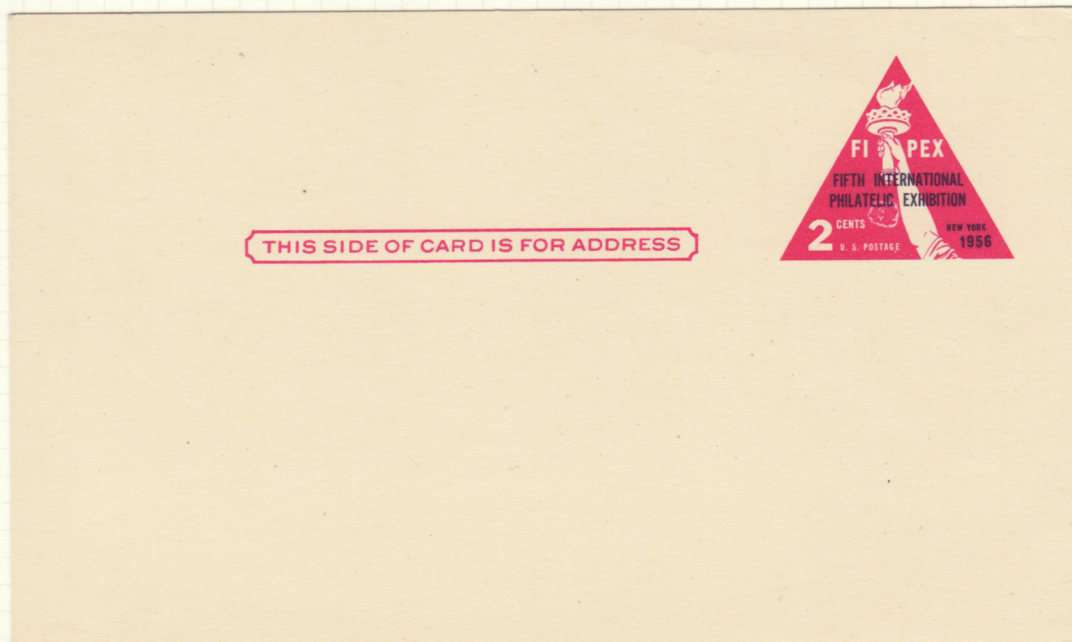
- * DOUBLE IMPRESSION OF ROSE CARMINE & VIOLET BLUE (OFFSET);
five reported.

OFFSET DOUBLE IMPRESSIONS - This card was the first U.S. postal card to be printed on a multiple-color, offset rotary press with photo-graphically-produced plates. Double impressions on photo-offset presses differ from those occurring on flat or rotary presses in that they occur when the printing cylinder and the blanket become slightly out of register, causing a second impression, which is usually faint and only slightly separated from the normal impression. When two or more colors are used, one or more colors may be doubled.

ISSUE OF 1956
"FIPEX"

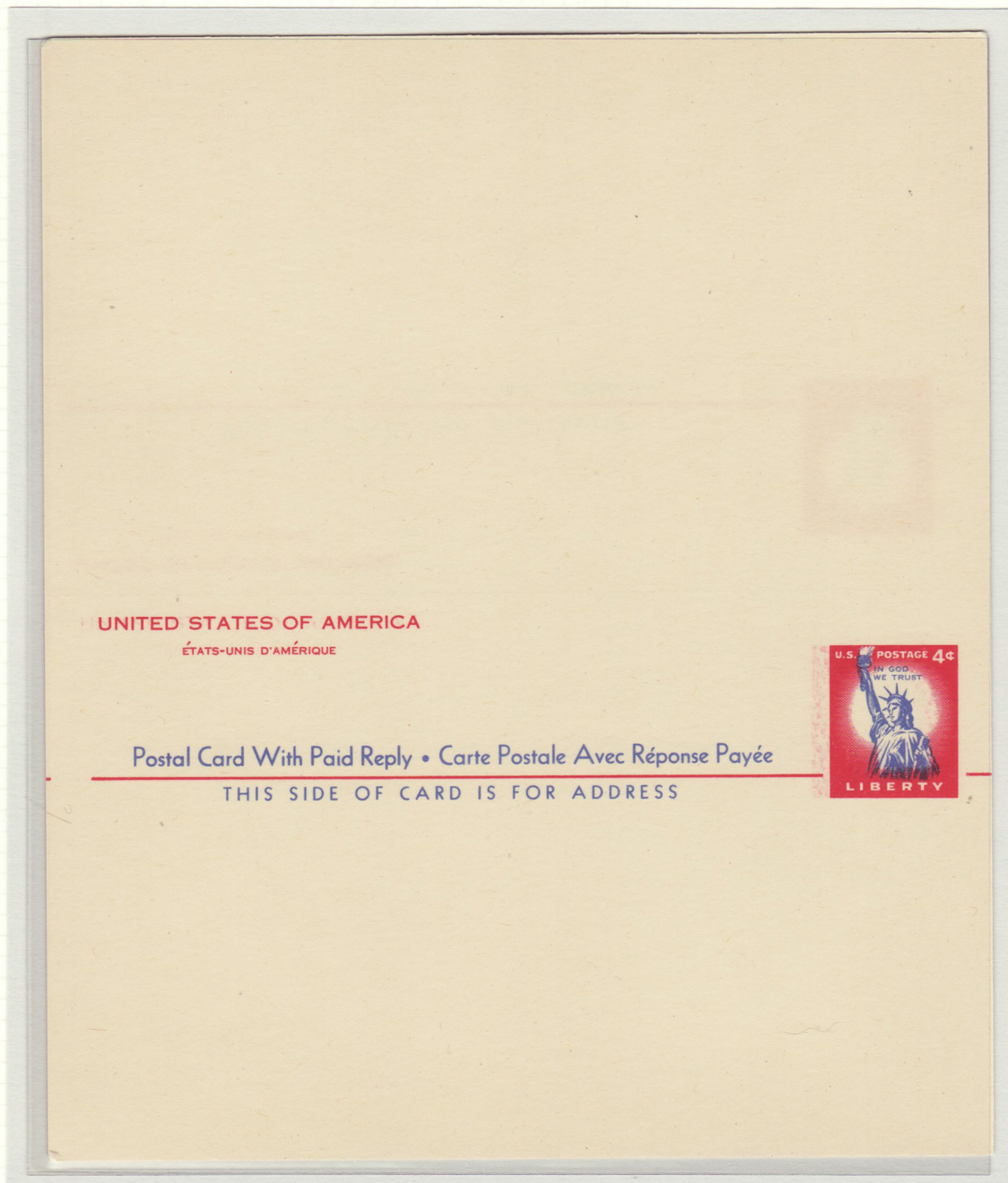


VIOLET BLUE OMITTED.



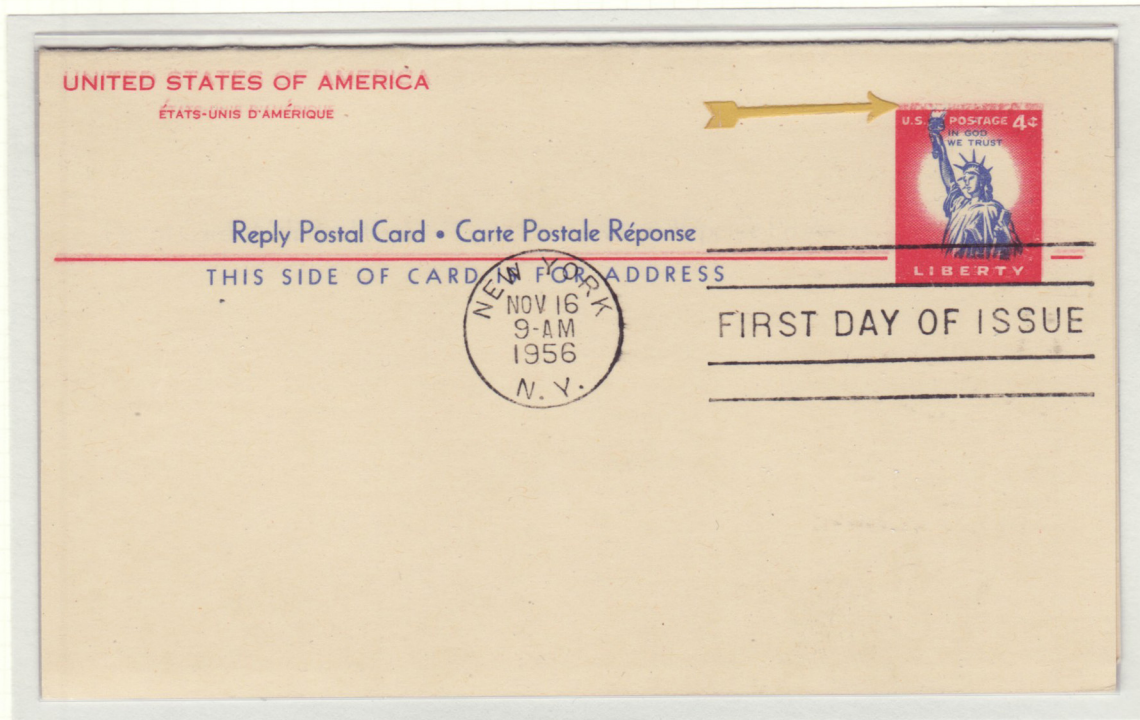
NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1956
International Paid Reply Card

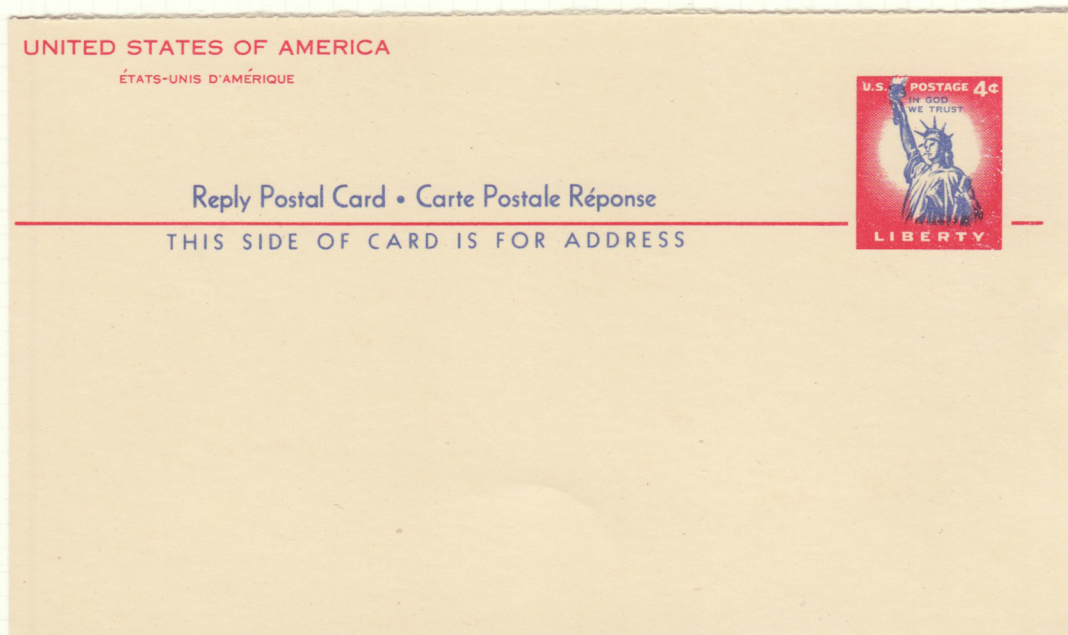


*** DOUBLE IMPRESSION OF SCARLET ON MESSAGE SIDE; scarlet is also shifted 3mm to left and card miscut 4mm to right. Three are reported.**

ISSUE OF 1956
International Paid Reply Card



*** DOUBLE IMPRESSION OF SCARLET ON REPLY SIDE; this is the listing copy and only FDI copy known.**



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ISSUE OF 1956
International Paid Reply Card

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE

Reply Postal Card • Carte Postale Réponse

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE

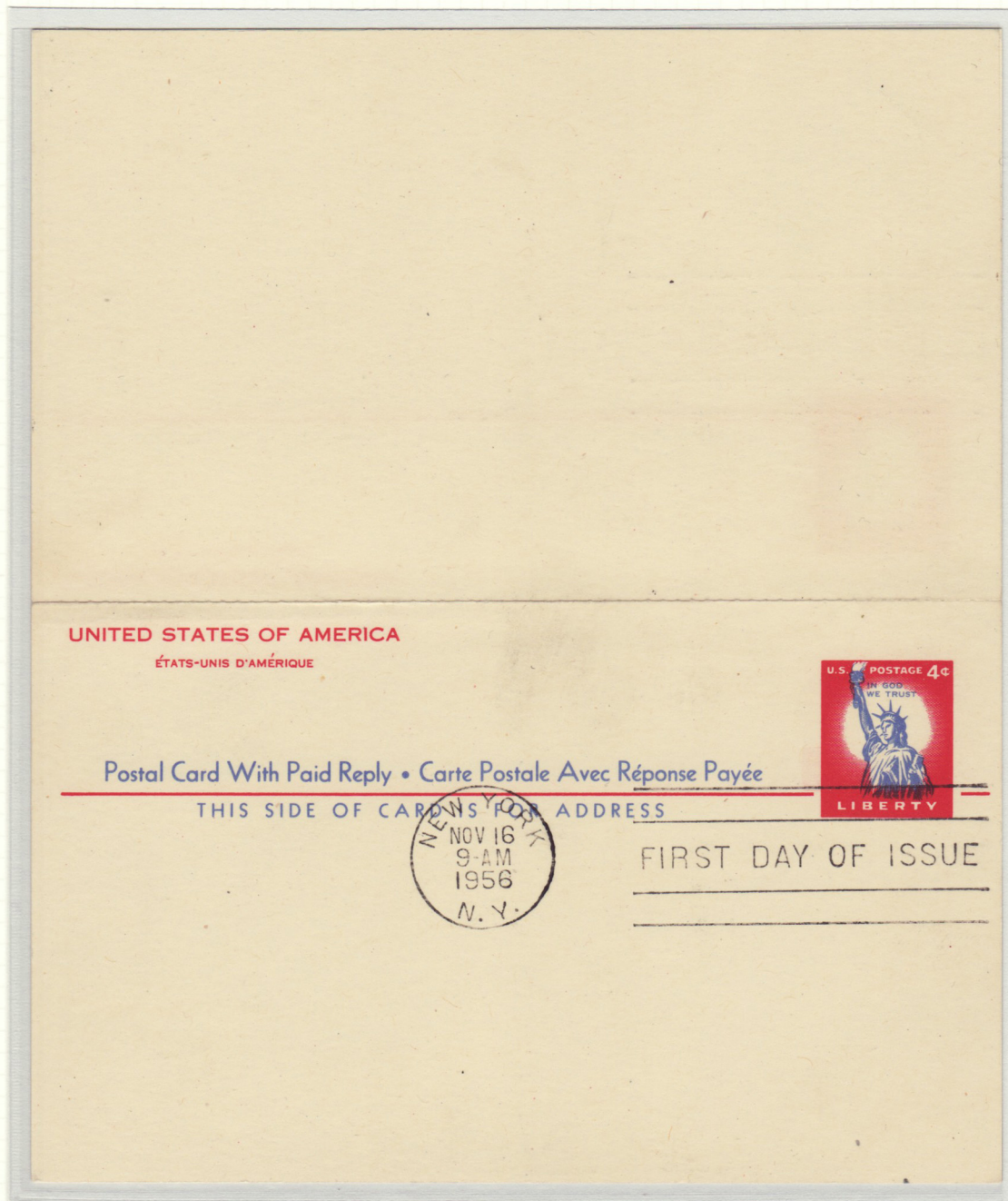
Postal Card With Paid Reply • Carte Postale Avec Réponse Payée

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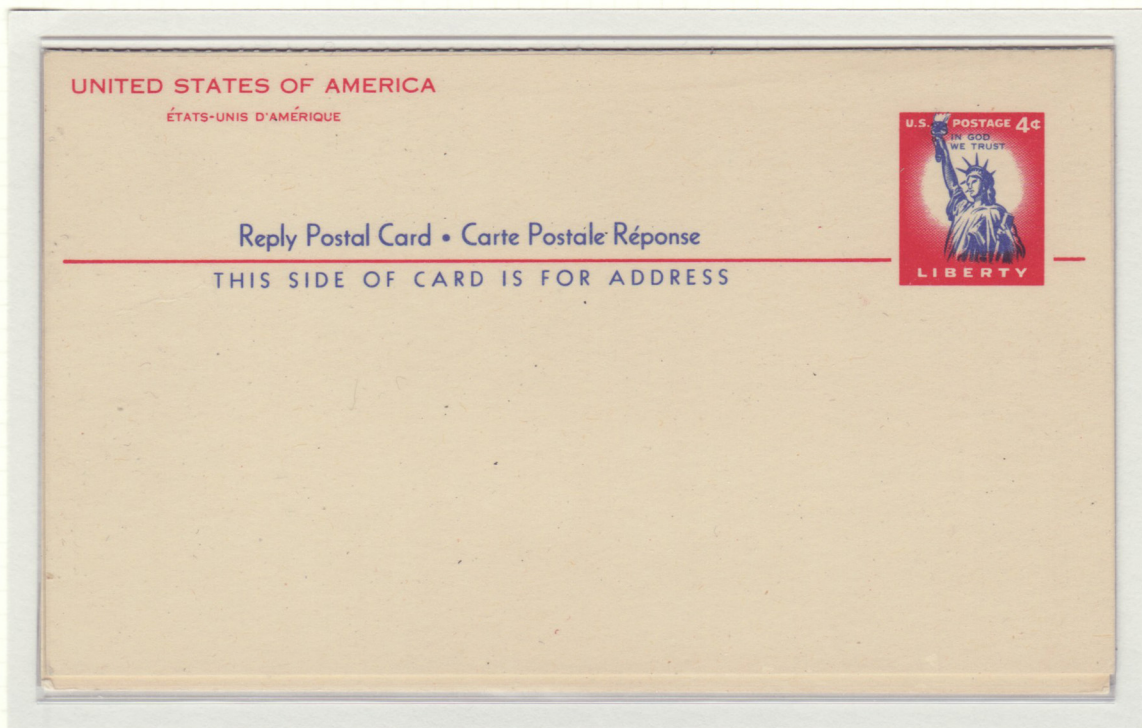
MESSAGE CARD PRINTED ON BOTH HALVES.

ISSUE OF 1956
International Paid Reply Card

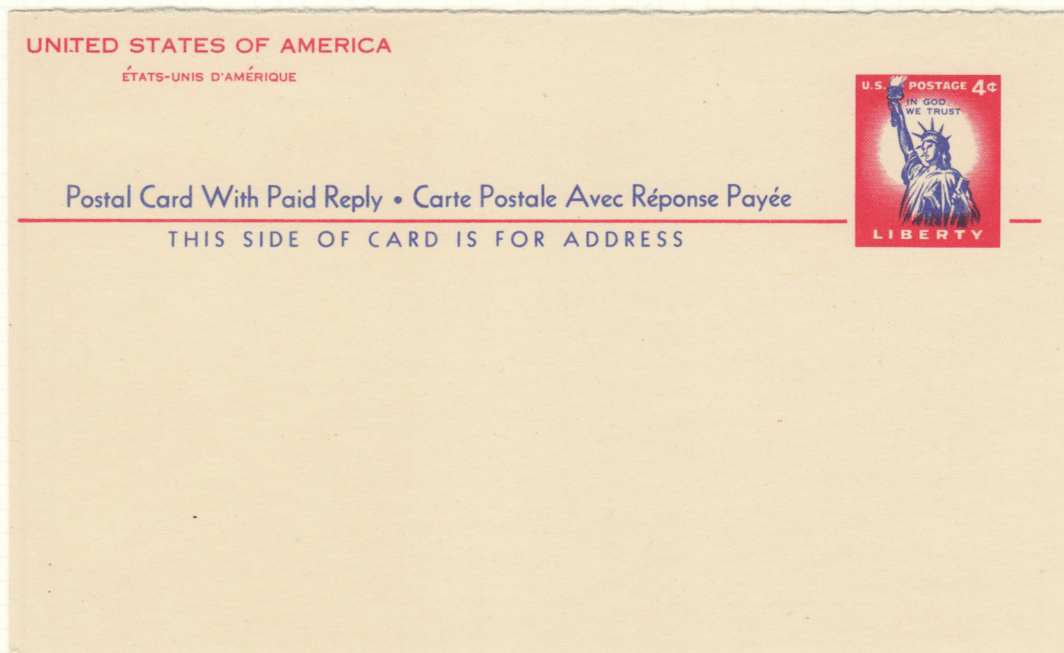


**MESSAGE CARD PRINTED ON BOTH HALVES; much scarcer FDI than
mint.**

ISSUE OF 1956
International Paid Reply Card

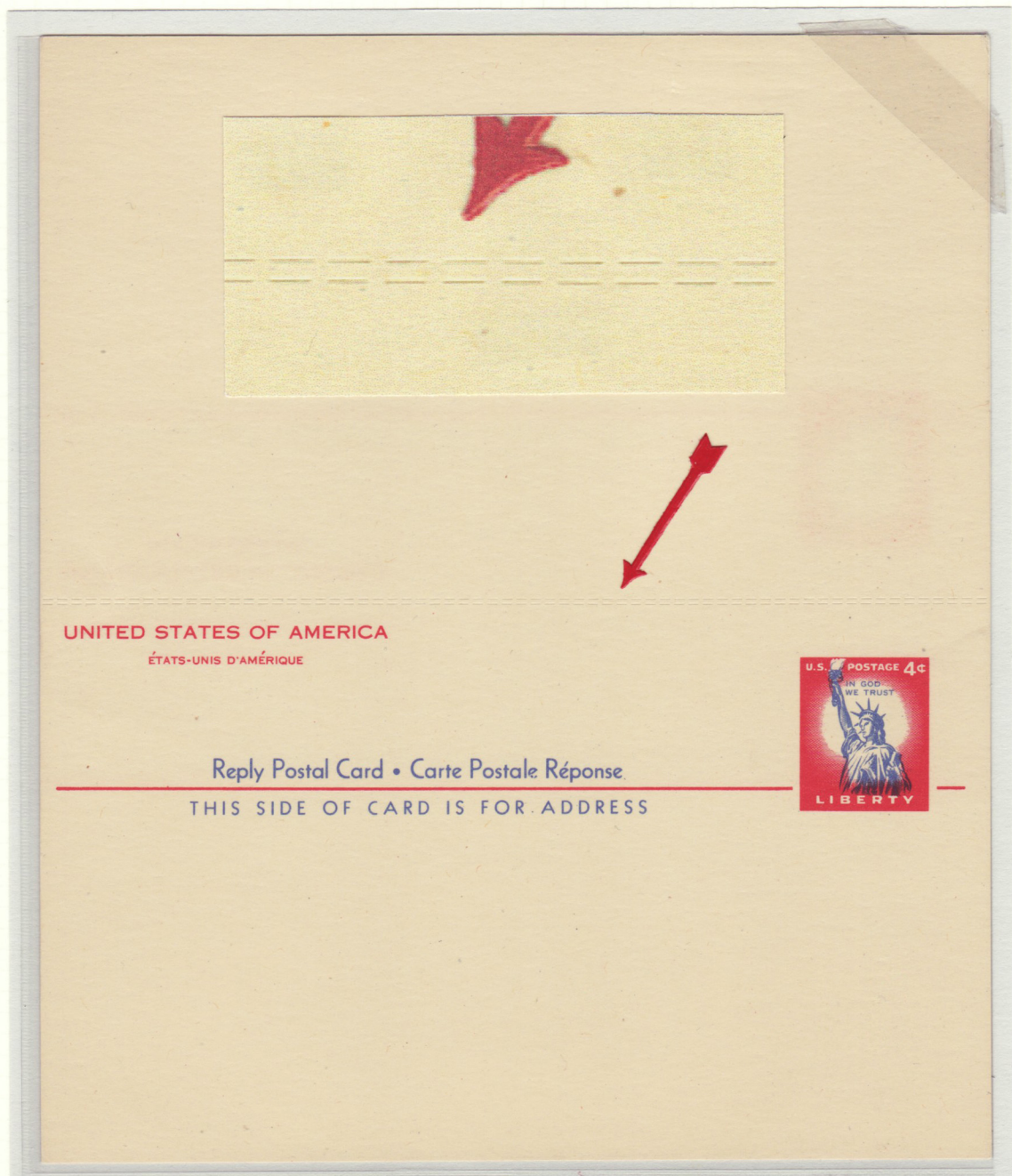


REPLY CARD PRINTED ON BOTH HALVES.



NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1956
International Message-Reply Card



*** DOUBLE ROULETTING - Two reported.**

Sheets of 40 cards (20 message-reply pairs) were slit into strips of 5, rouletted, then cut into single card pairs. This unusual error could occur if the strip was run through the rouletting operation twice.

ISSUE OF 1958
Domestic Paid Reply Card

NORMAL



*** PRINTED ON ONE
SIDE ONLY; three
reported, two are
unused and one is
mint (this is the
mint copy).**

ISSUE OF 1958
Domestic Paid Reply Card

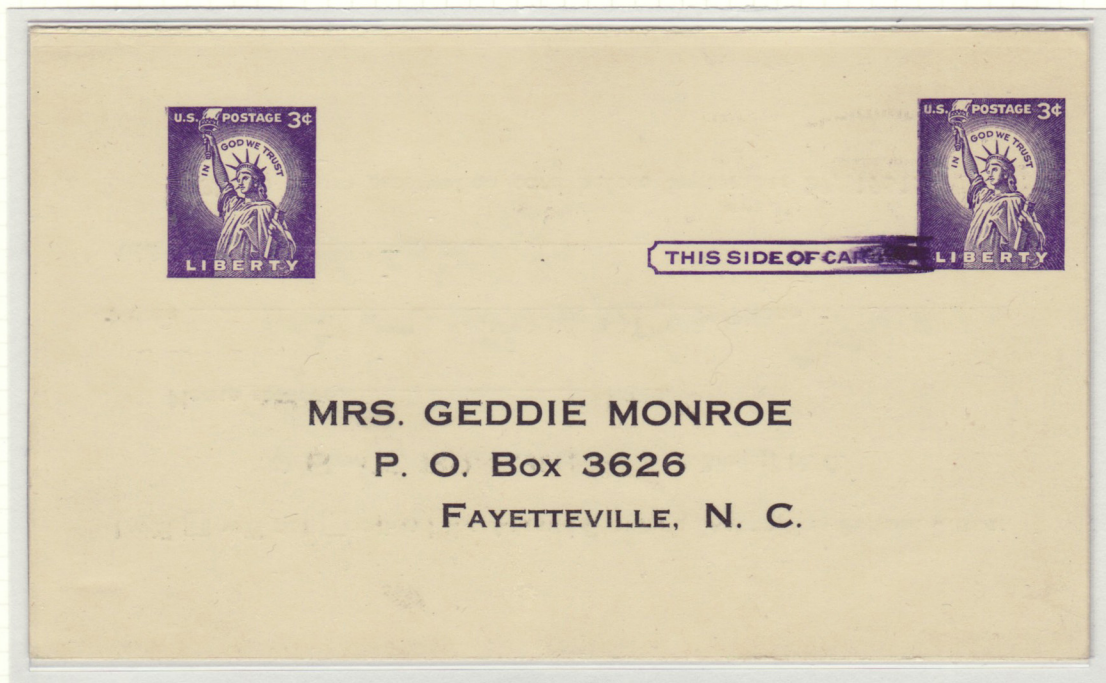
NORMAL

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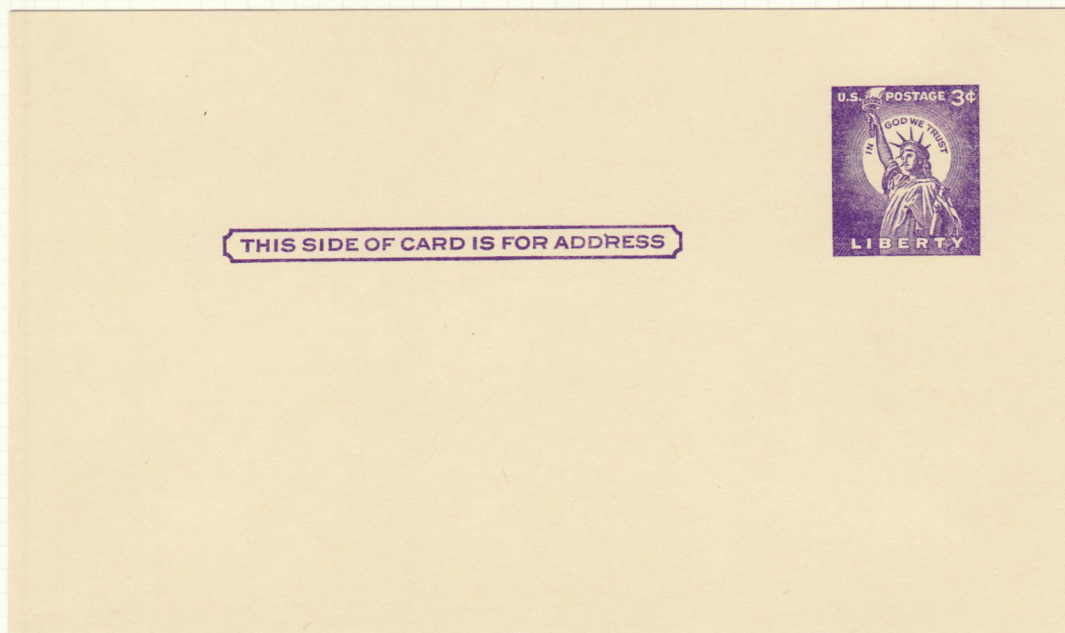


*** PRINTED ON ONE
SIDE ONLY; differs
from last card in that
it is rouletted on the
blank side rather than
the printed side.**

ISSUE OF 1958
Domestic Paid Reply Card

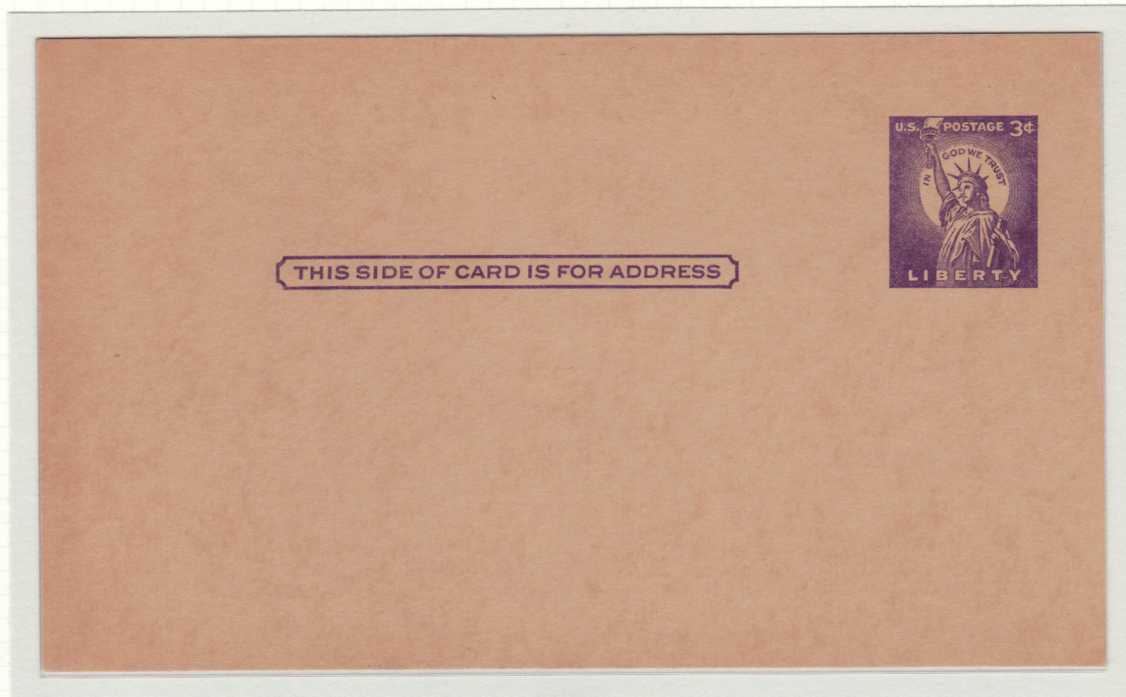


* **DOUBLE IMPRESSION** - Only reported unposted example.

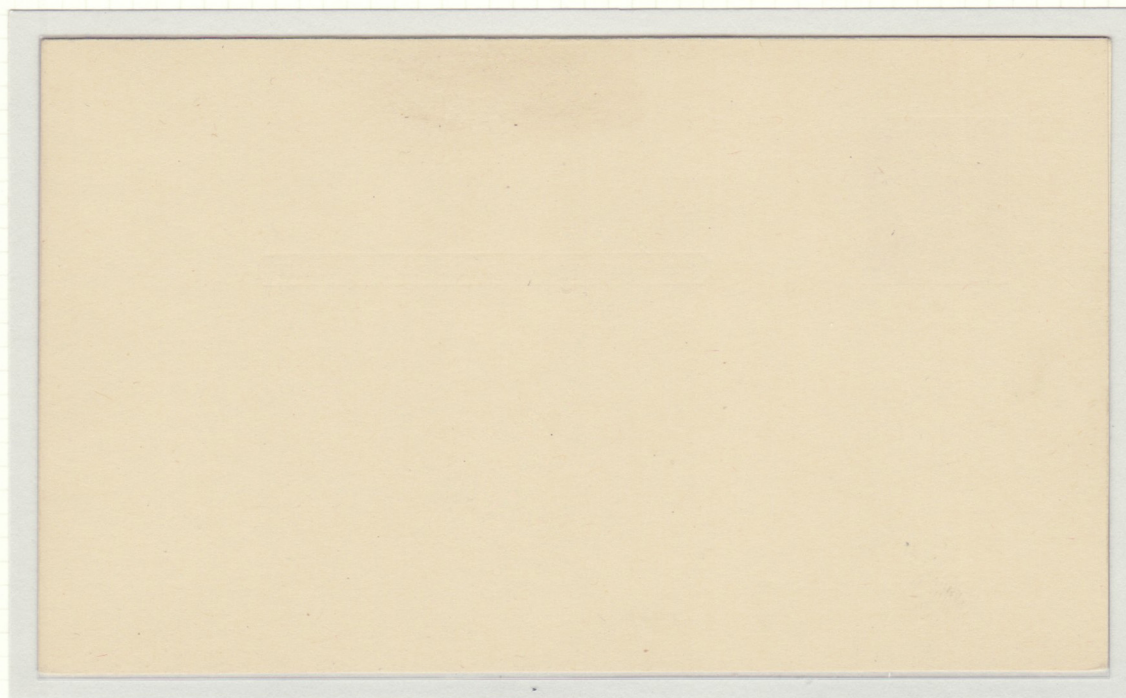


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ISSUE OF 1958

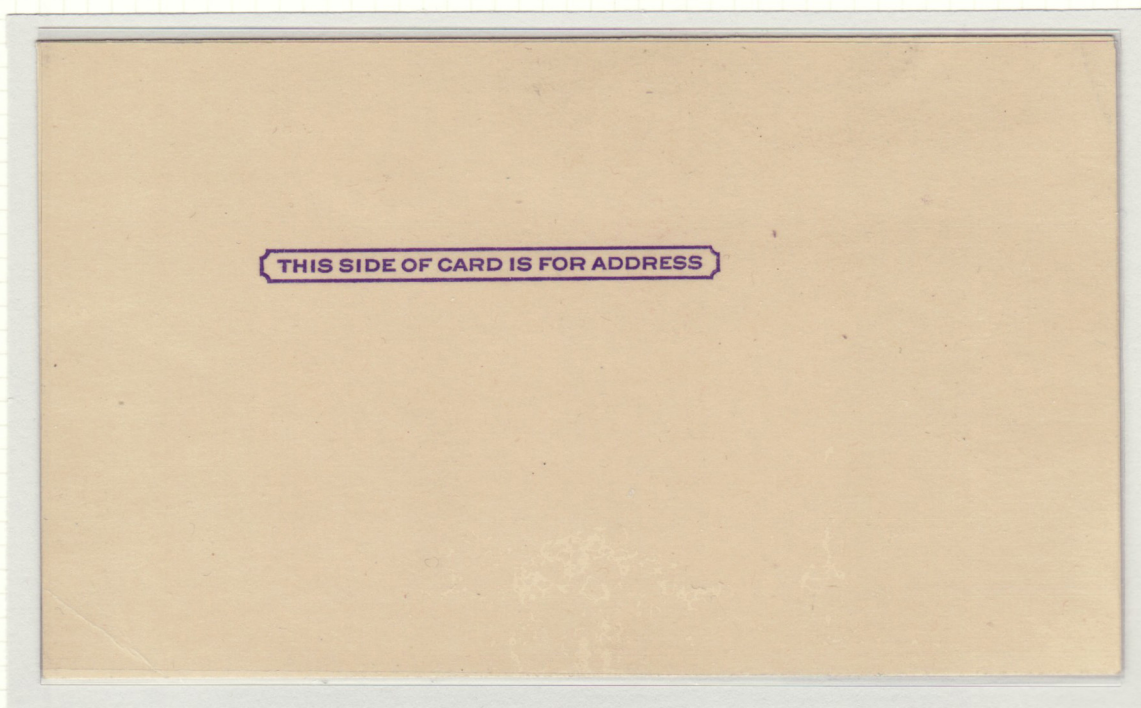


*** PRINTED ON COUNTING SPACER PAPER (see 1898 issue).**

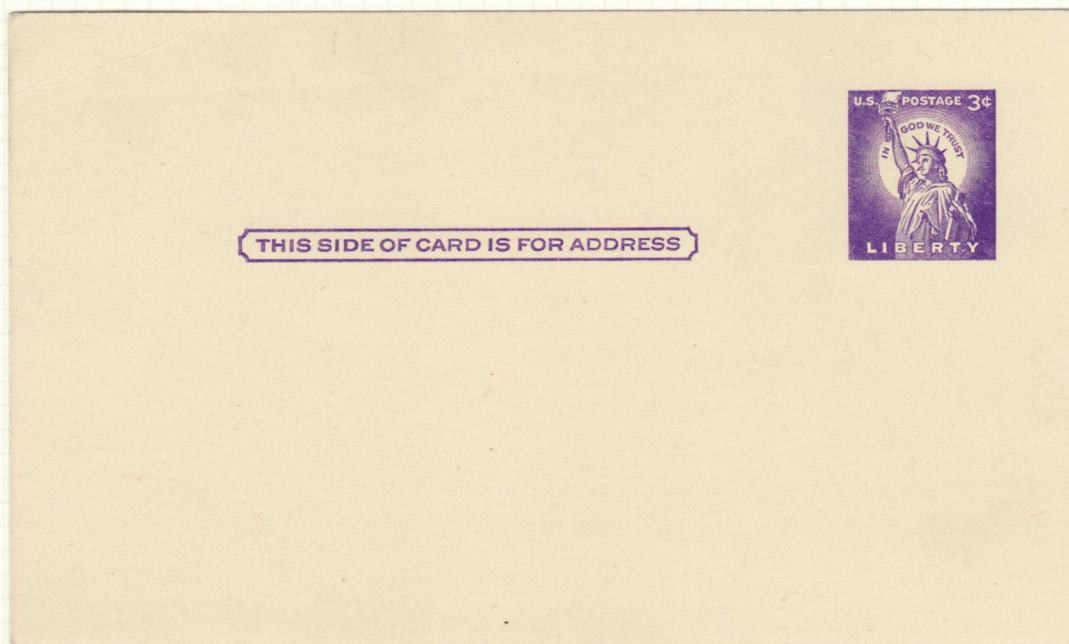


*** ALBINO IMPRESSION; a distinct letterpress impression, though colorless, provides positive identification. Only reported copy.**

ISSUE OF 1958



* DESIGN PARTLY OMITTED; a 1959 philatelic news article stated that four were found in a California post office. It is not known how the variety occurred.



NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1958



- * **DOUBLE IMPRESSION DUE TO ROTARY PRESS JITTER;**
When the press is not properly counterbalanced and is stopped for any reason, this causes the rollers on which the plates are mounted to rock backwards. Because there is no way to reverse the feed of the card stock, a second impression is caused, which is always less clear than the first since the plate has not been reinked. These are called double prints or jitters. It is most noticeable on this card at "In God We Trust".

**ISSUE OF 1960
AIR MAIL POSTAL**



TWO LOZENGES AT LEFT ARE DOUBLE-PRINTED, BLUE OVER RED.



NORMAL

ISSUES OF 1962-1966

THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



NORMAL

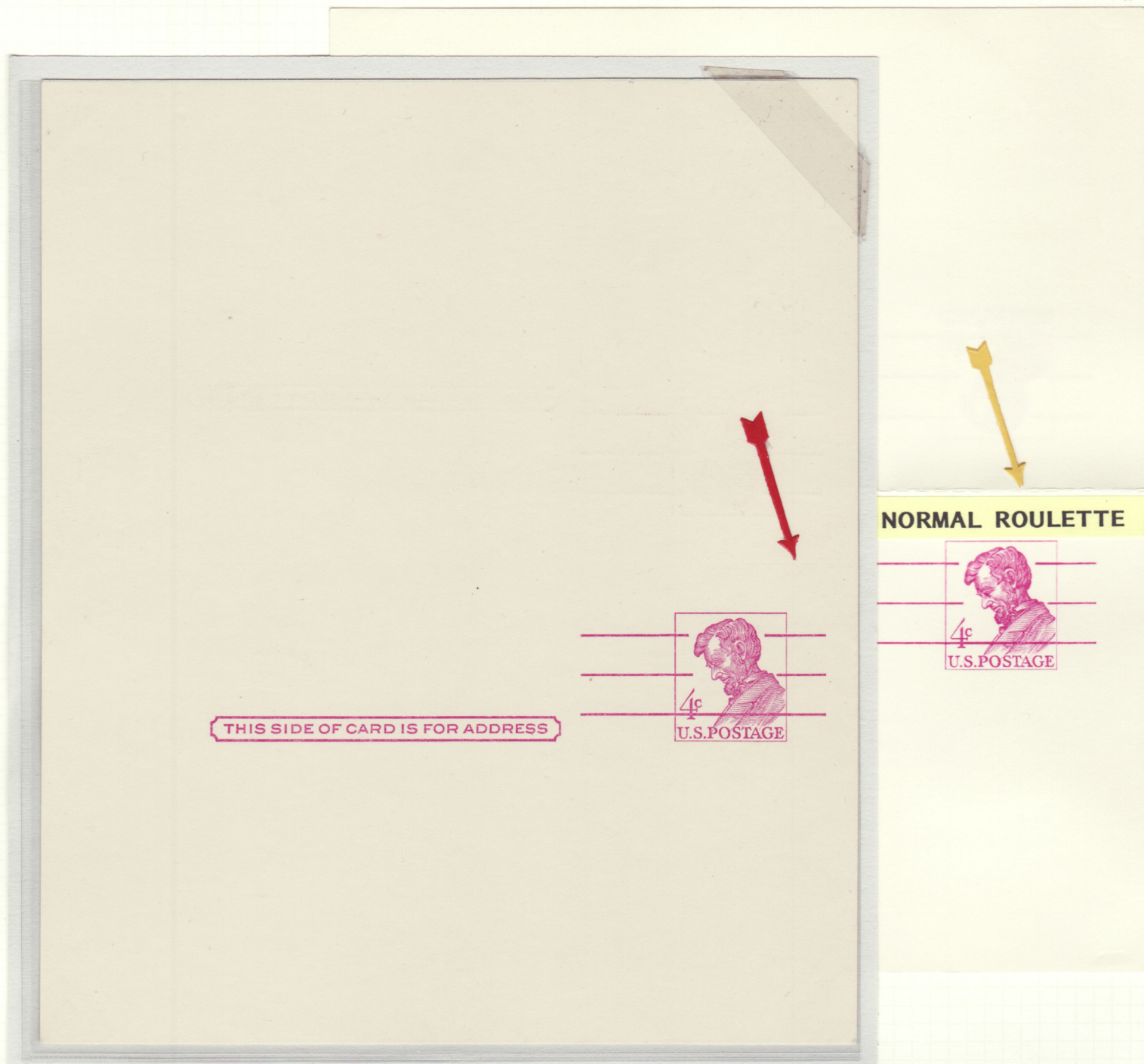
*** DESIGN PARTLY
OMITTED.**



*** ALBINO
IMPRESSION;
only
reported
example.**

ISSUES OF 1962-1967

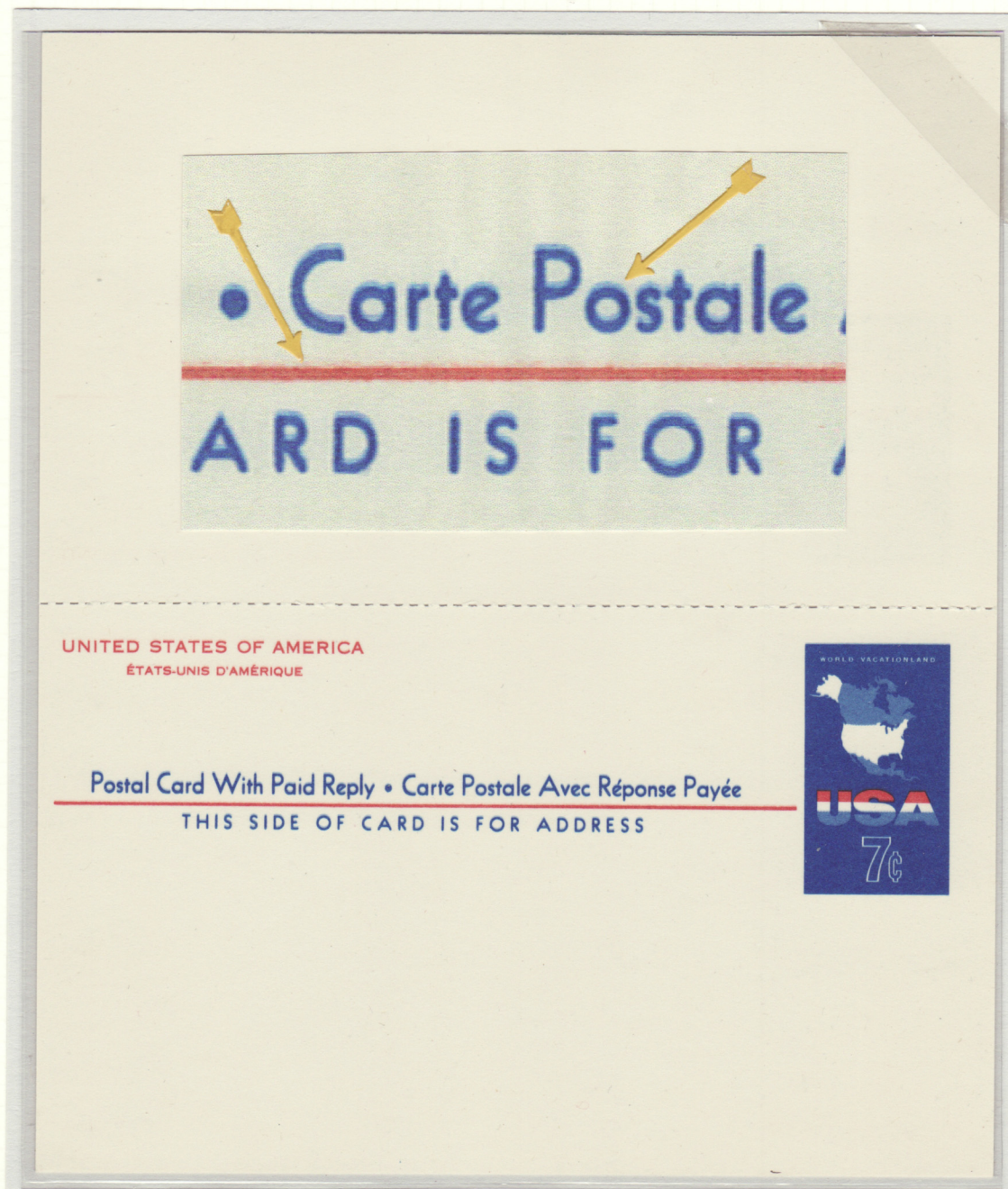
Domestic Message-Reply Card



* **PART IMPERFORATE** - Only 8 (out of 40-42 on normal cards) very light roulette impressions are present on this card.

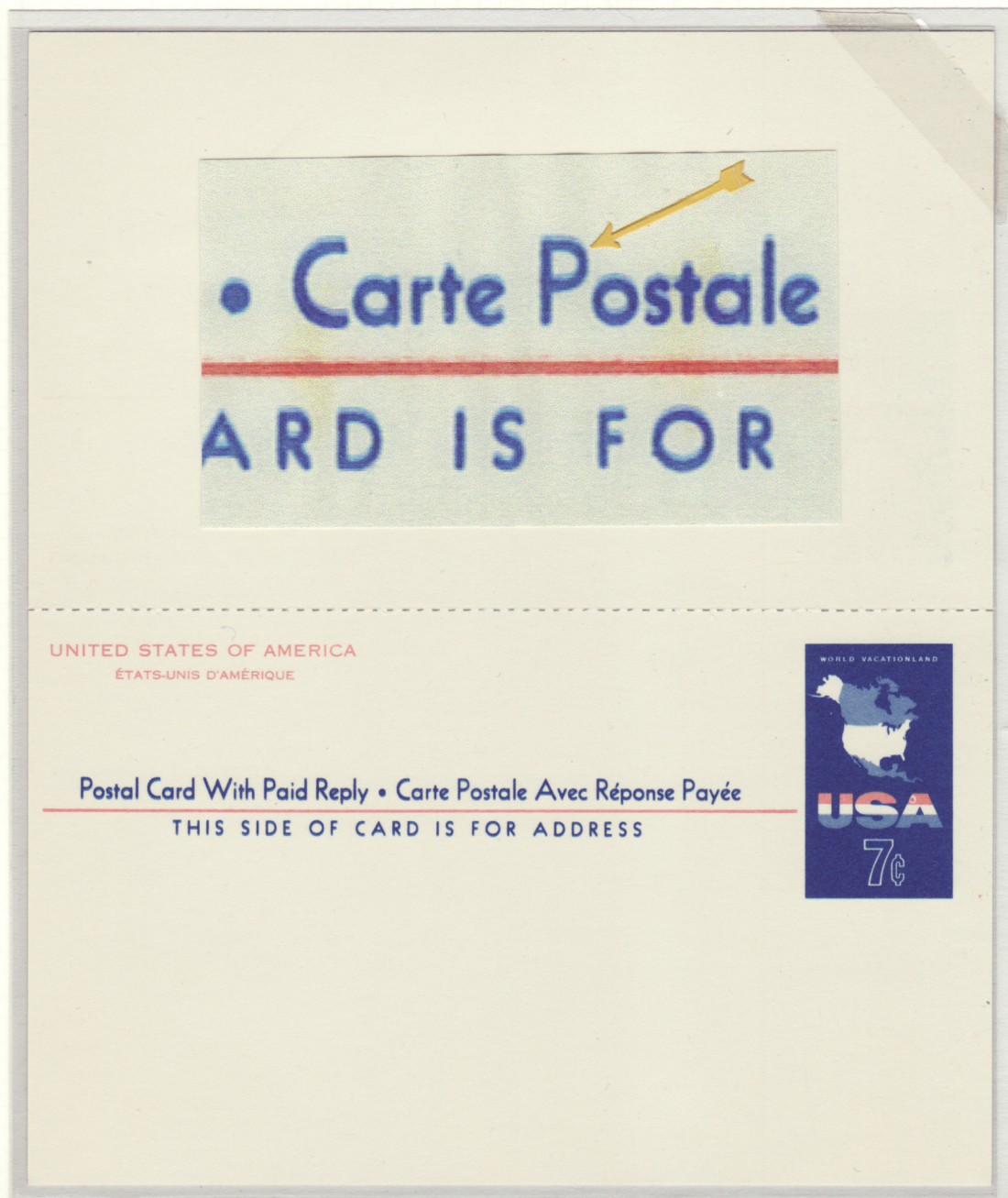
It is believed that the rouletting of message-reply cards was a separate step done after slitting of sheets into five card pairs, or ribbons. The pressure on the roulette wheels was insufficient to penetrate the cards, resulting in this unusual variety.

ISSUE OF 1963
International Message-Reply Card



*** RED AND BLUE PRINTING DOUBLED ON MESSAGE SIDE.**

ISSUE OF 1963
International Message-Reply Card



* BLUE PRINTING DOUBLED ON MESSAGE SIDE - three reported.

ISSUE OF 1963
International Message-Reply Card

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE

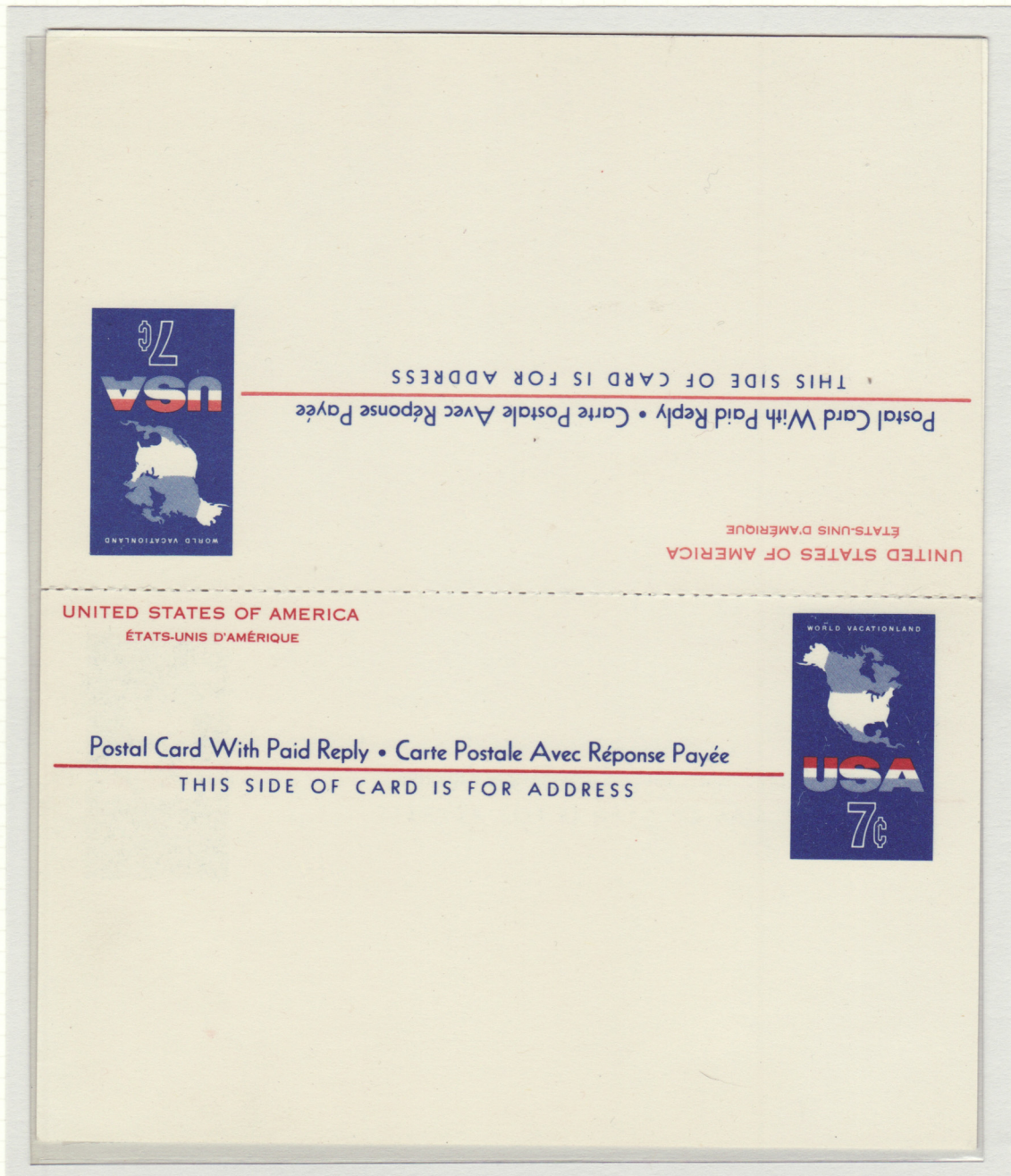
Postal Card With Paid Reply • Carte Postale Avec Réponse Payée

THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



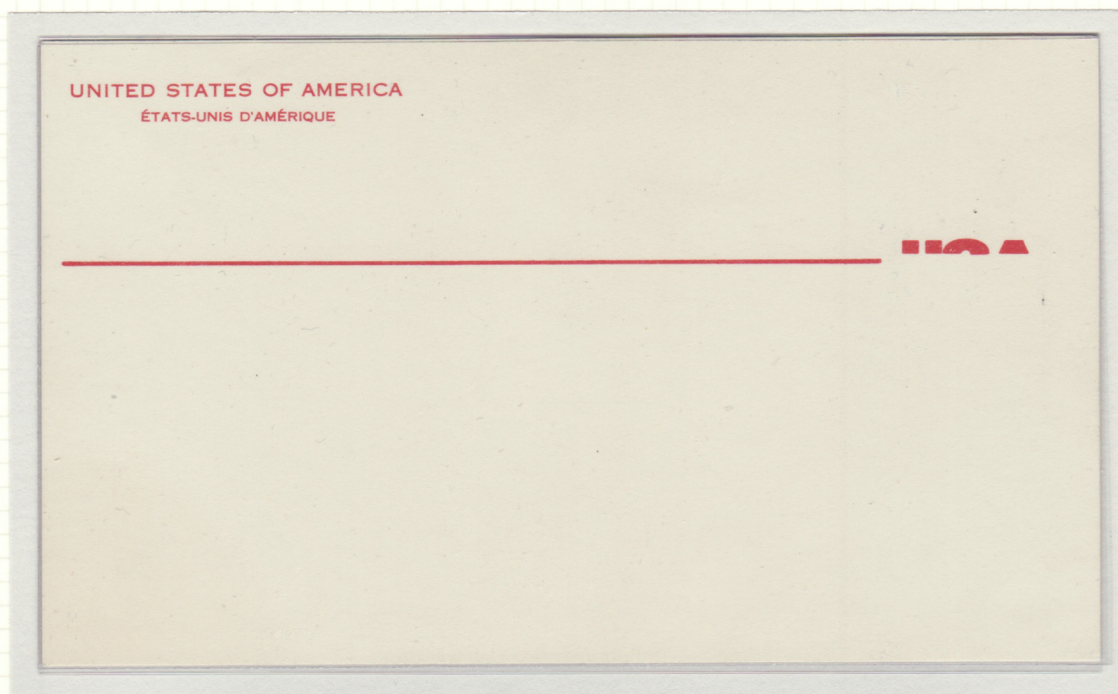
*** REPLY CARD NORMAL, MESSAGE CARD BLANK.**

ISSUE OF 1963
International Paid Reply Card



*** TWO IMPRESSIONS OF MESSAGE CARD (ONE ON BACK OF REPLY CARD); two examples reported.**

ISSUE OF 1963
International Card

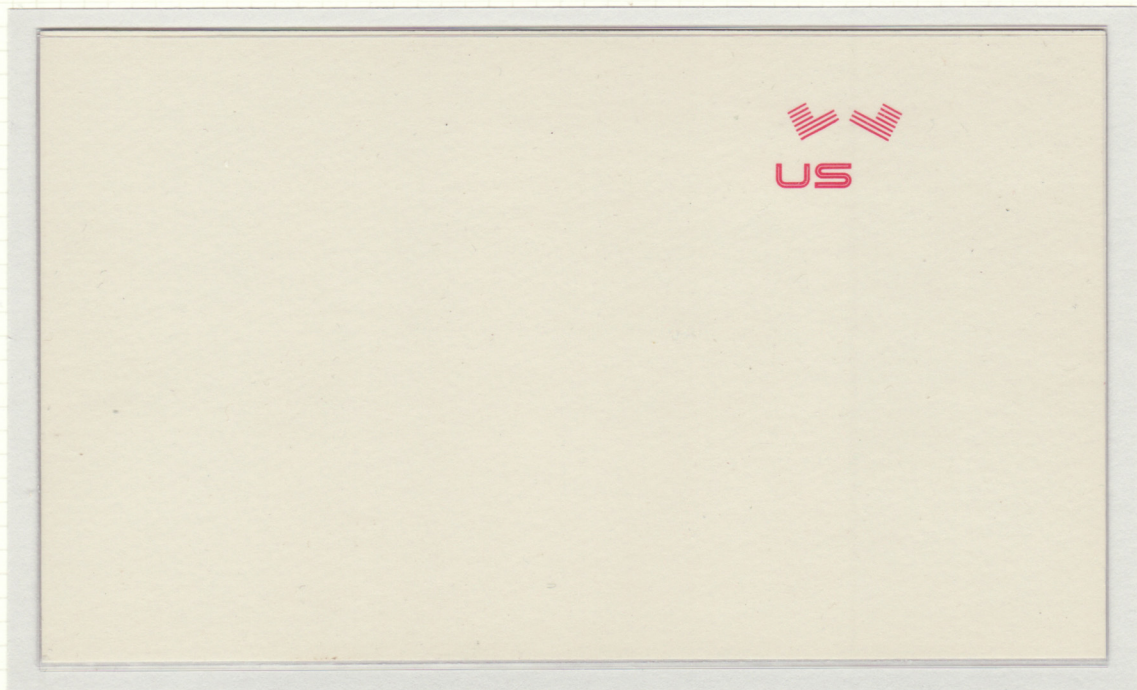


*** BLUE OMITTED; three reported.**

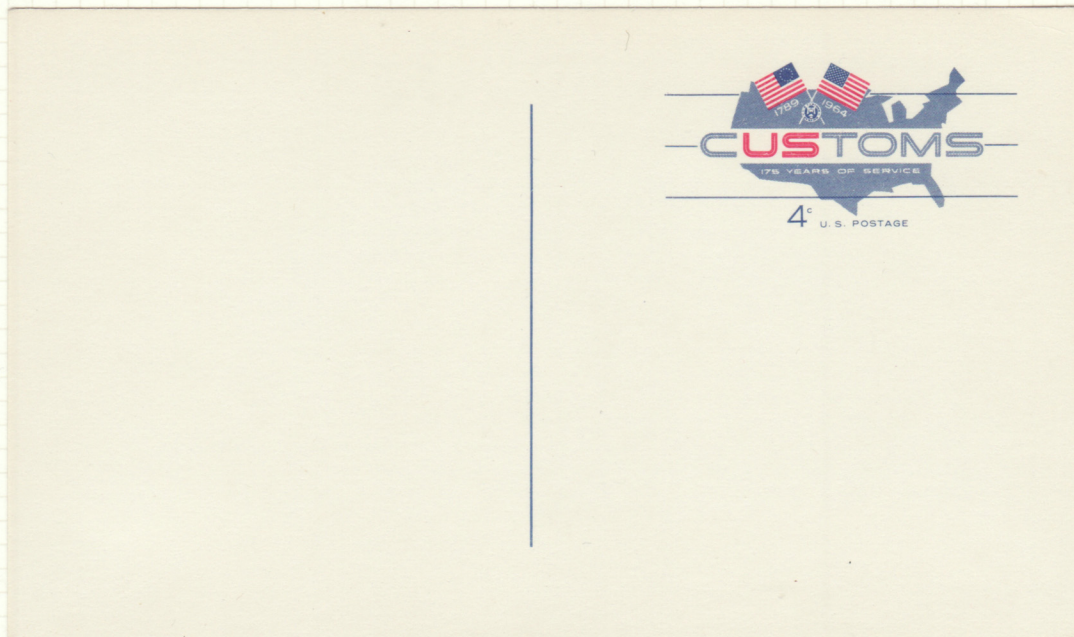


NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1964
Customs Service Commemorative Card



*** BLUE OMITTED.**



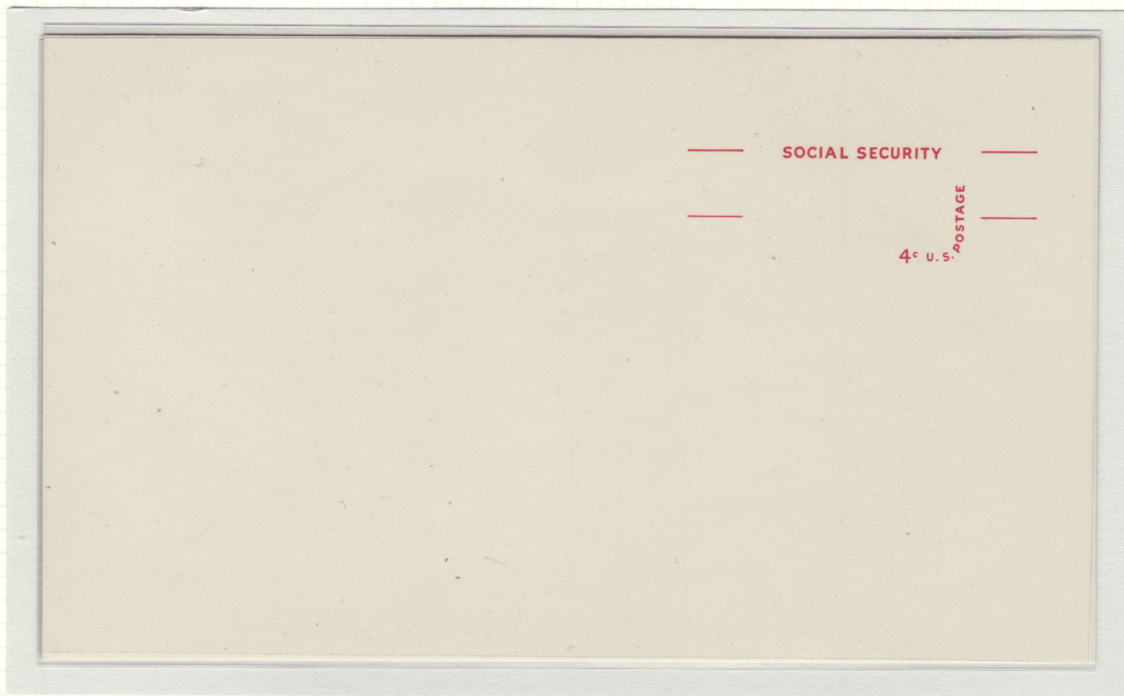
NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1964
Customs Service Commemorative Card



*** DOUBLE IMPRESSION OF RED; caused by a foldover. Only reported example.**

ISSUE OF 1964
Social Security Commemorative Card



*** BLUE OMITTED.**



NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1965
Coast Guard Commemorative Card



*** BLUE OMITTED; three reported.**

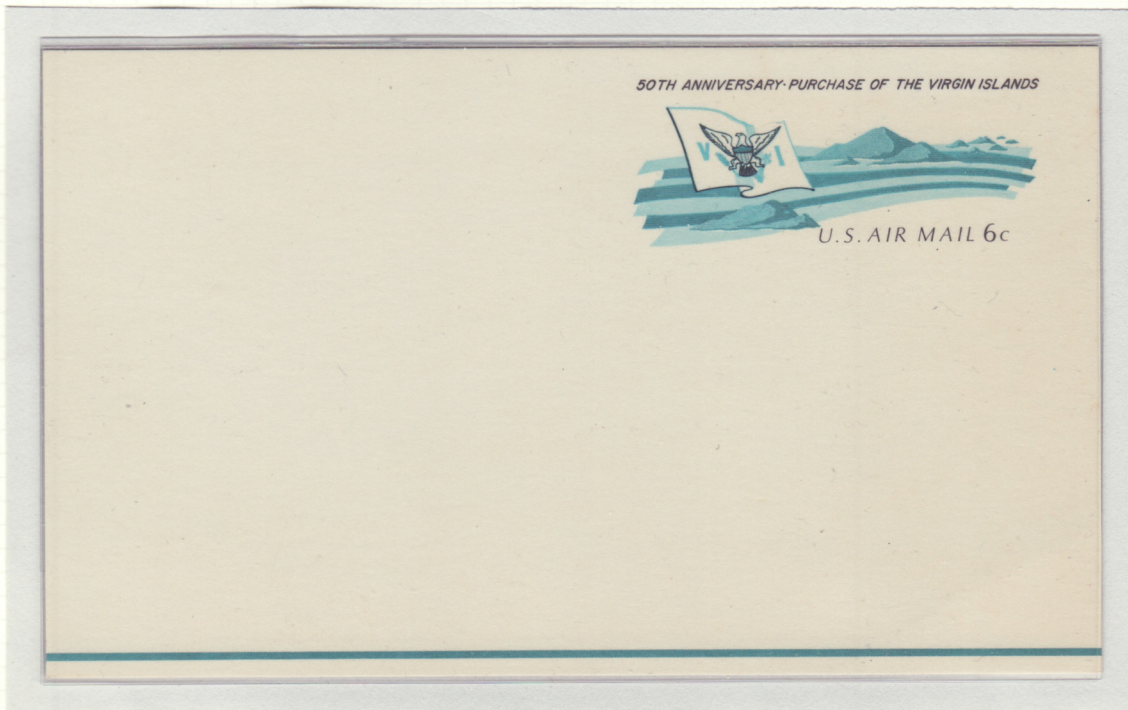


NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1967

AIR MAIL POSTAL CARD

50th Anniversary of Purchase of Virgin Islands



* RED & YELLOW OMITTED; Two reported.



NORMAL

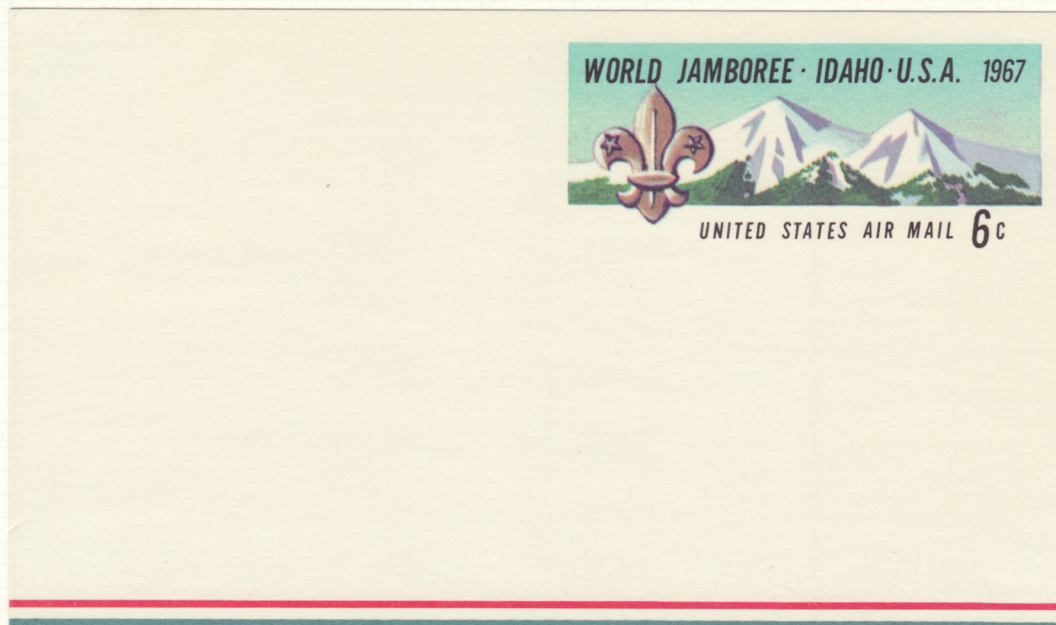
ISSUE OF 1967

AIR MAIL POSTAL

International Boy Scout Jamboree



*** CYAN & BLACK OMITTED; two known. Because Scouting is such a popular topic, the missing color varieties of this card are highly prized and disproportionately costly.**



NORMAL



* BLUE & PALE PINK. It is not known how this color error occurred, but it is recognized by catalogers as a major variety.

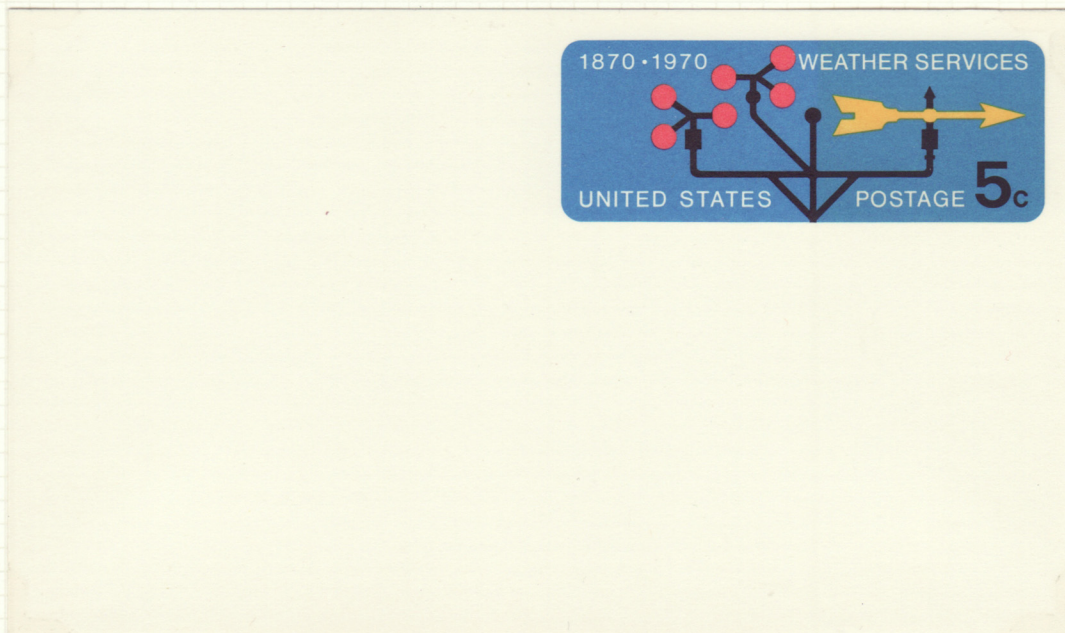


NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1970
Weather Services Commemorative Card

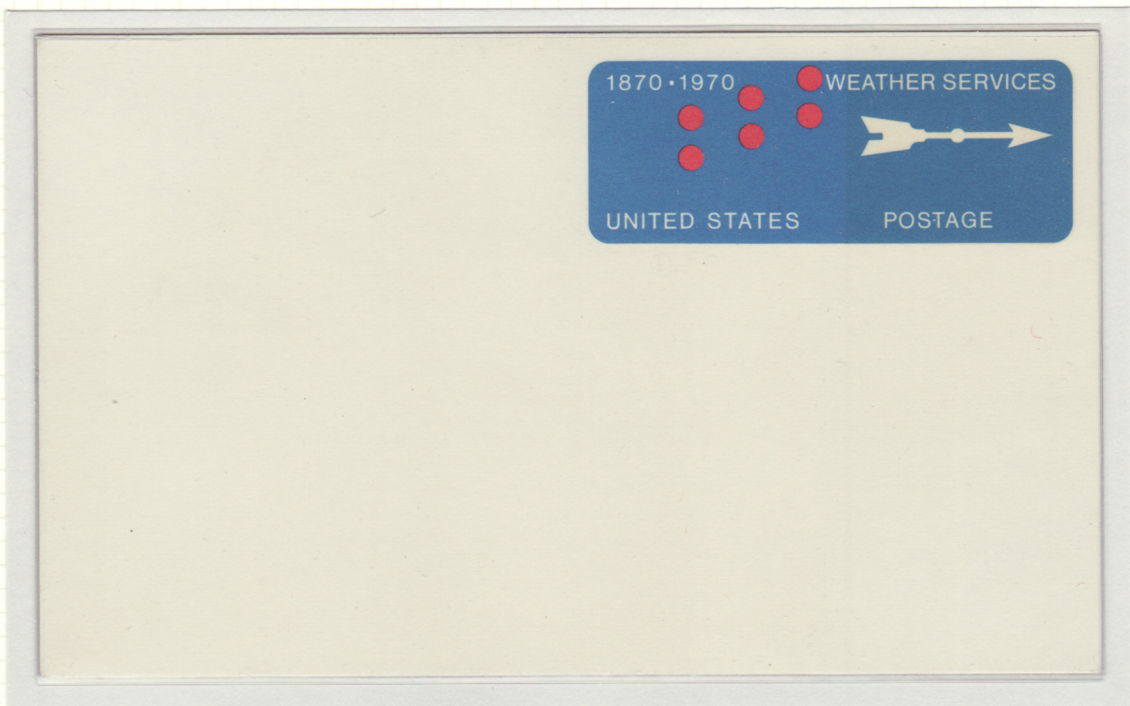


*** BLACK OMITTED**

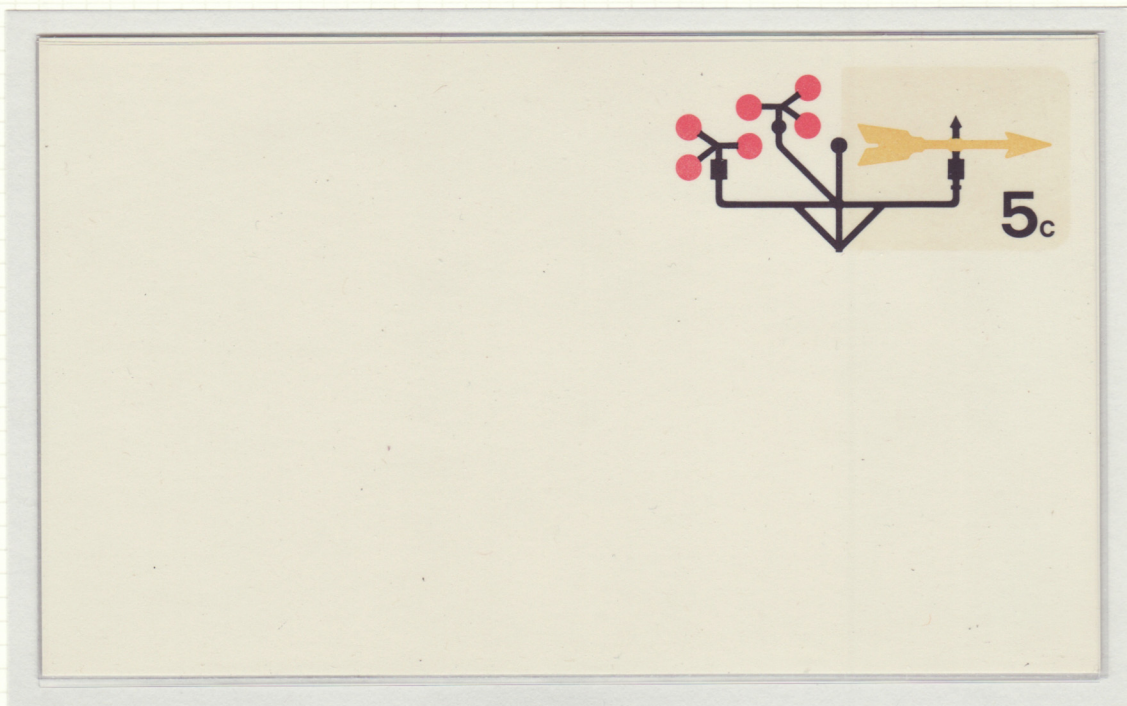


NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1970
Weather Services Commemorative Card



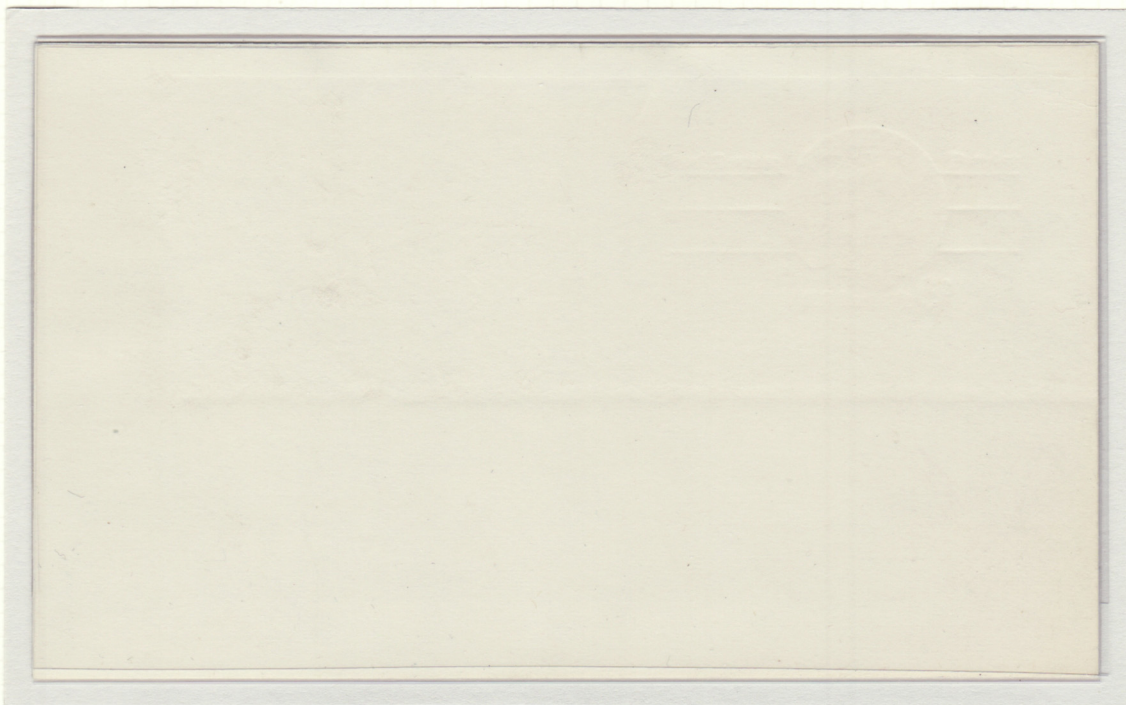
*** YELLOW AND BLACK OMITTED.**



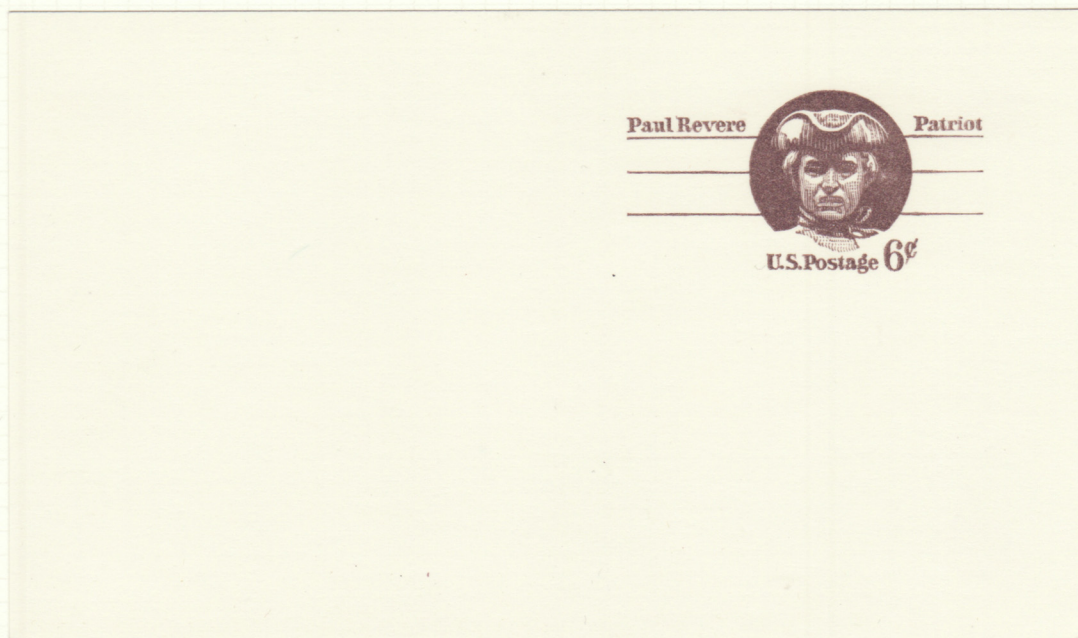
*** BLUE OMITTED.**

ISSUE OF 1971

Paul Revere - Patriot



* ALL COLOR OMITTED (ALBINO IMPRESSION); Only reported example.



NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1971

America's Hospitals



*** BLACK COLOR MISSING; The only reported example. Probably caused by a foldover or miscut. Only the center inscription is in black.**



NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1971
America's Hospitals



*** BLUE AND YELLOW OMITTED.**



NORMAL



* RED AND BLUE LOZENGES OMITTED; two reported.

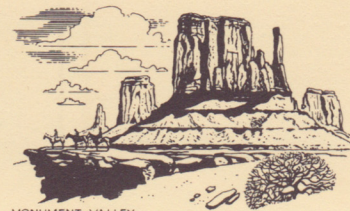


NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1972
Tourism Year of the Americas.

*** REVERSE BLANK**

FRONT



MONUMENT VALLEY

U.S. POSTAGE 6 CENTS

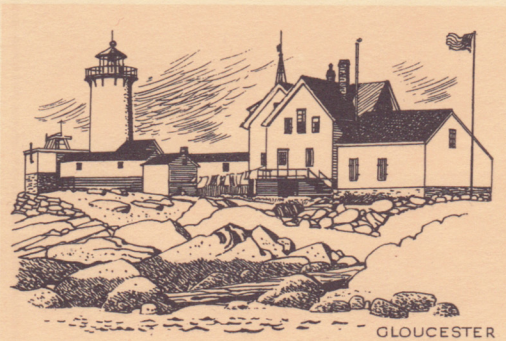


MONTEREY

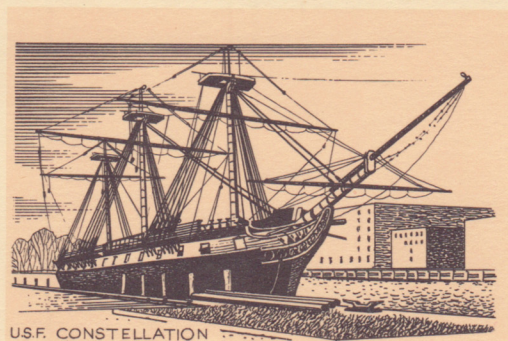


REDWOODS

TOURISM YEAR OF THE AMERICAS '72



GLOUCESTER



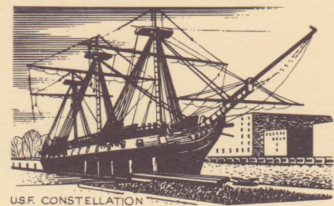
U.S. CONSTELLATION

NORMAL BACK

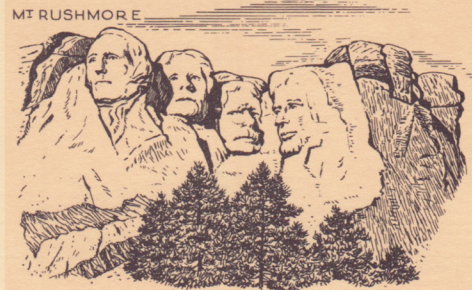
ISSUE OF 1972
Tourism Year of the Americas.

*** REVERSE BLANK; Only reported example.**

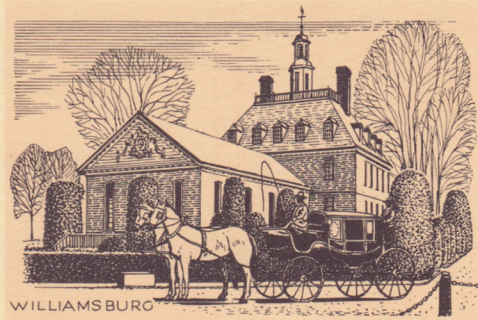
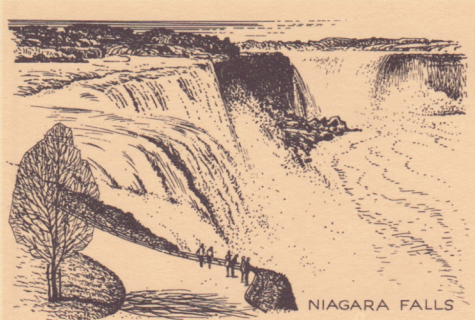
FRONT



U.S. POSTAGE 6 CENTS



TOURISM YEAR OF THE AMERICAS '72



NORMAL BACK

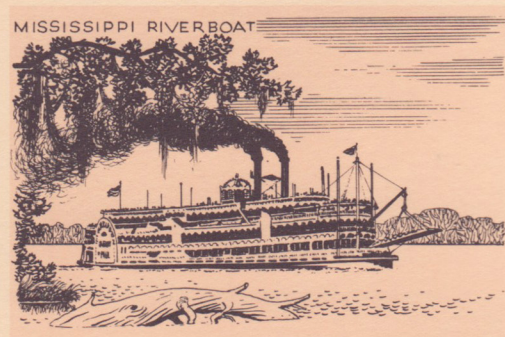
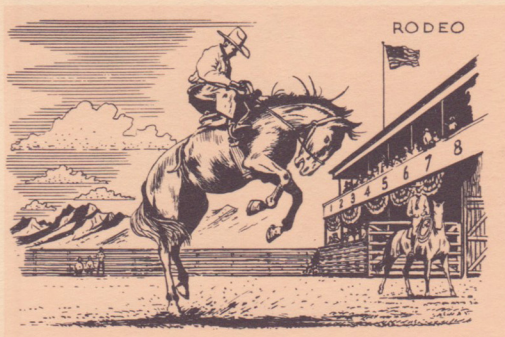
ISSUE OF 1972
Tourism Year of the Americas.

* REVERSE BLANK

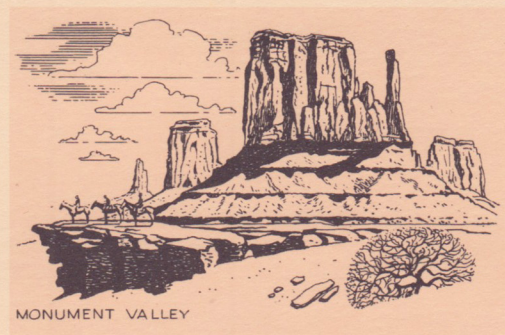
FRONT



U.S. POSTAGE 6 CENTS



TOURISM YEAR OF THE AMERICAS '72



NORMAL BACK

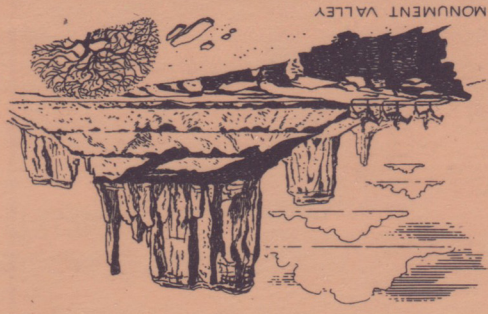
SERIES OF 1972

Tourism Year of the Americas.

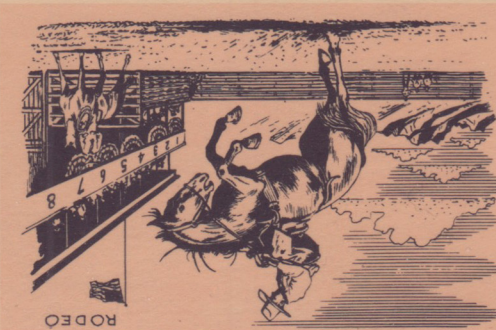
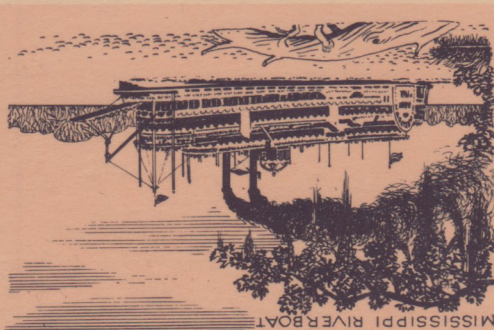
NORMAL FRONT



U.S. POSTAGE 6 CENTS



TOURISM YEAR OF THE AMERICAS '72



* BACK INVERTED IN RELATION TO FRONT SIDE - Only reported example.



* BLUE LOZENGES DOUBLE & SHIFTED; only reported example.



NORMAL



* TAGGING OMITTED - Three examples reported.

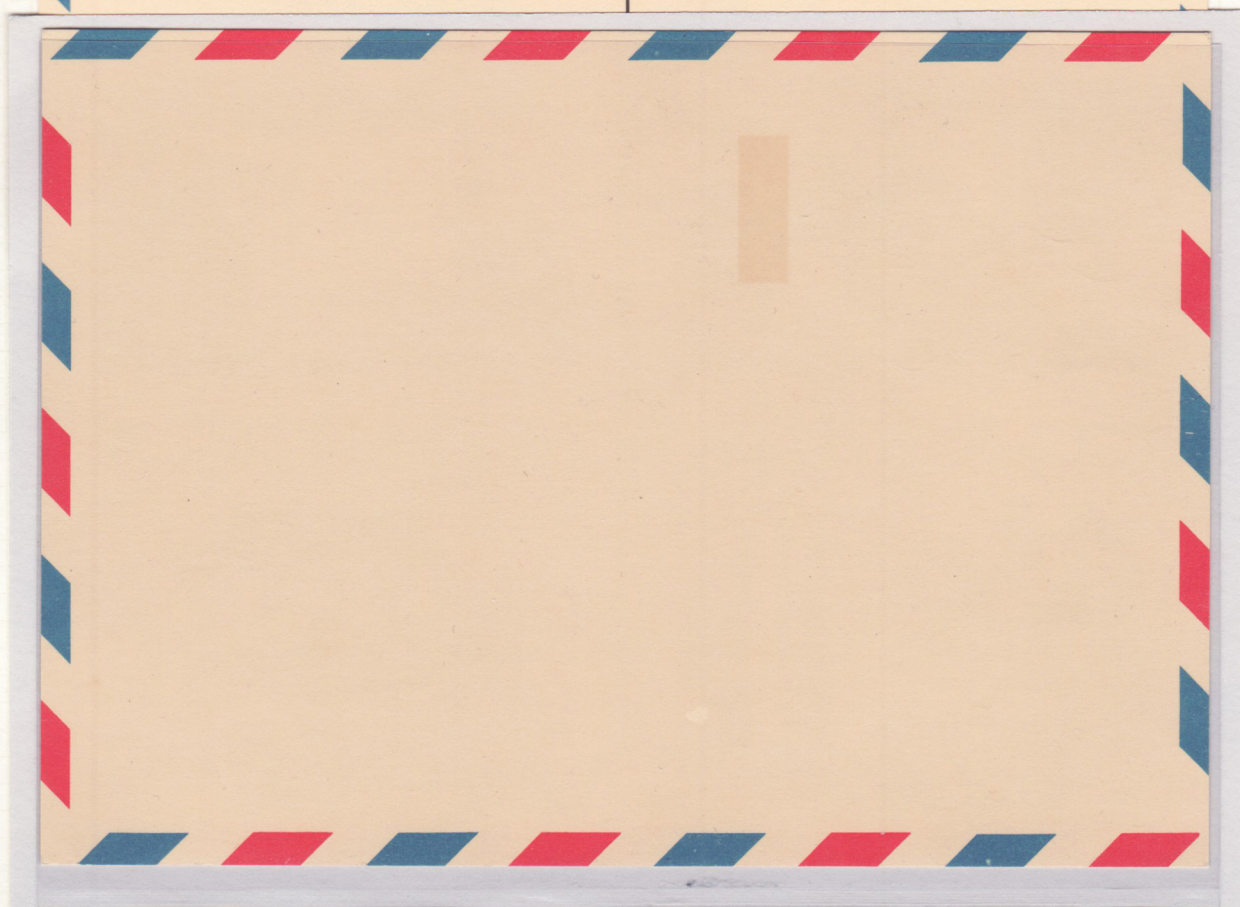


NORMAL

SERIES OF 1972

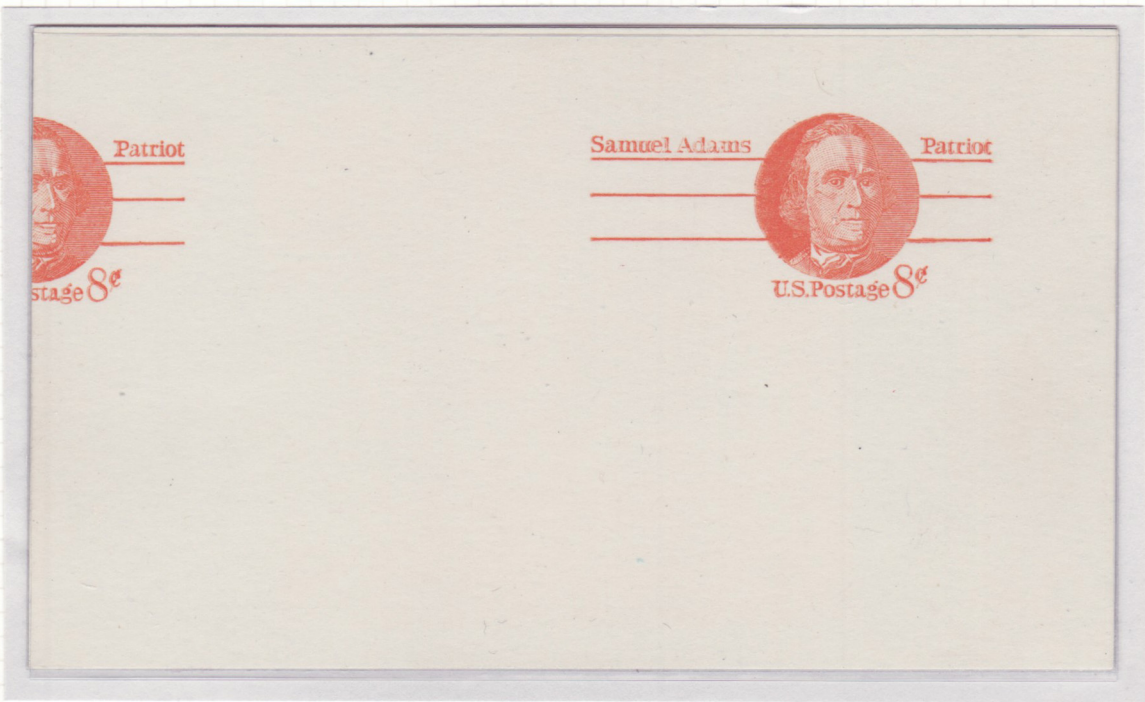
NIAGARA FALLS

International Card

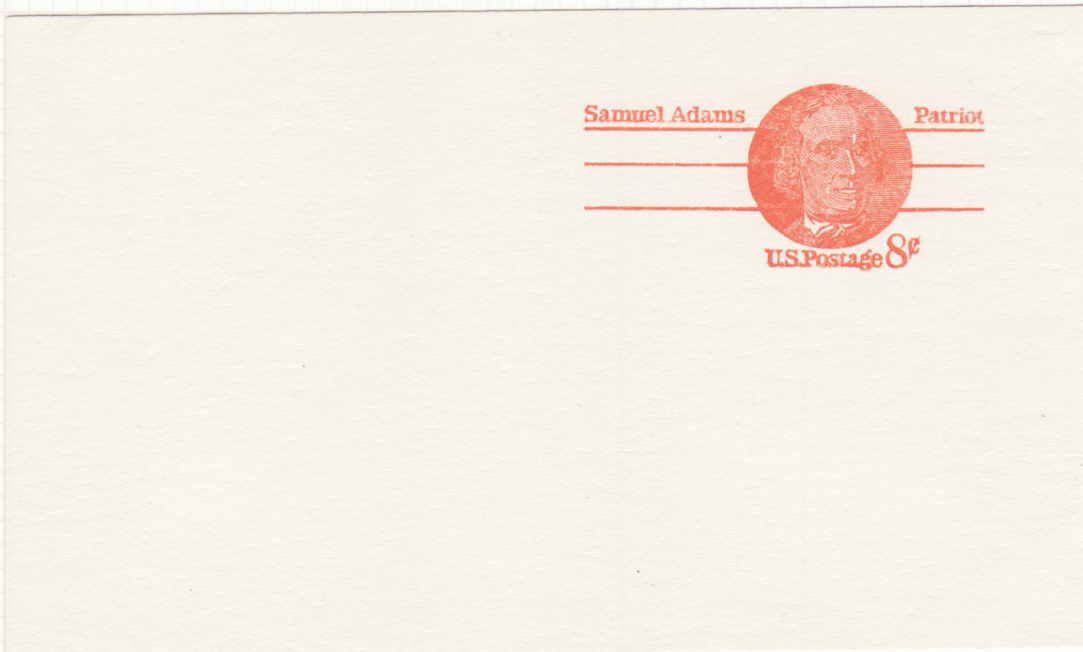


* ADDRESS SIDE WITH BLACK INDICIA AND VERTICAL DIVIDING LINE
OMITTED - Some catalogs incorrectly describe this as
"Address side black" - overlooking the bicolor border!

ISSUE OF 1973
Samuel Adams — Patriot



*** DOUBLE IMPRESSION**



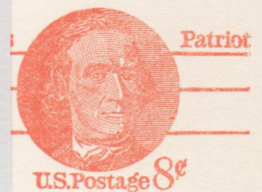
NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1973
Domestic Paid Reply Card

The address plate should be corrected to read as follows:

Please retain me on your mailing list to receive all
information pertinent to Spanish tourism.

B
JANE HANUSEK, TRAVEL
RECORD-HERALD -ED
800 SCOTT ST
WAUSAU WIS 54401

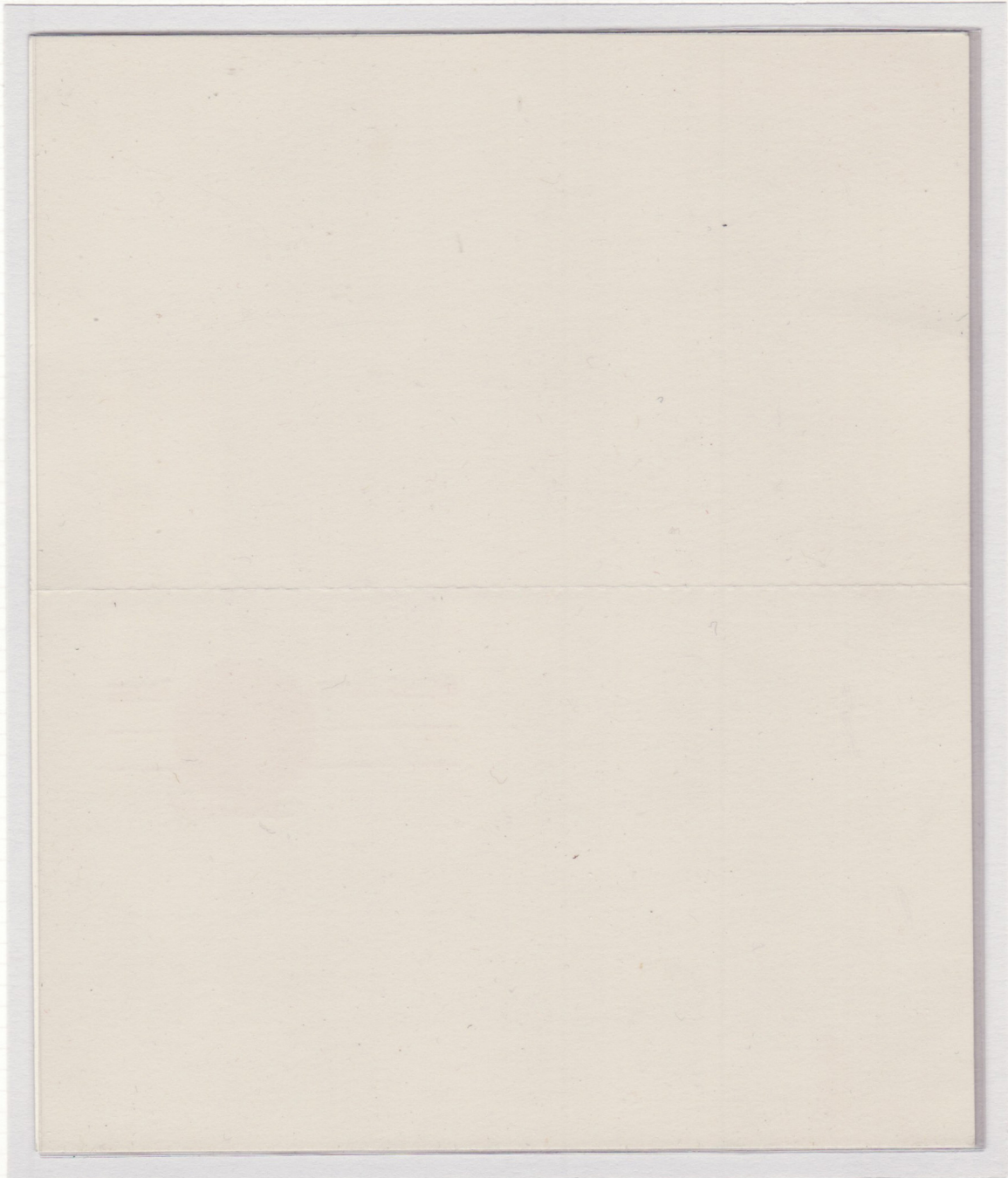


NORMAL

*** PRINTED ON ONE SIDE ONLY; three reported, all unused.**

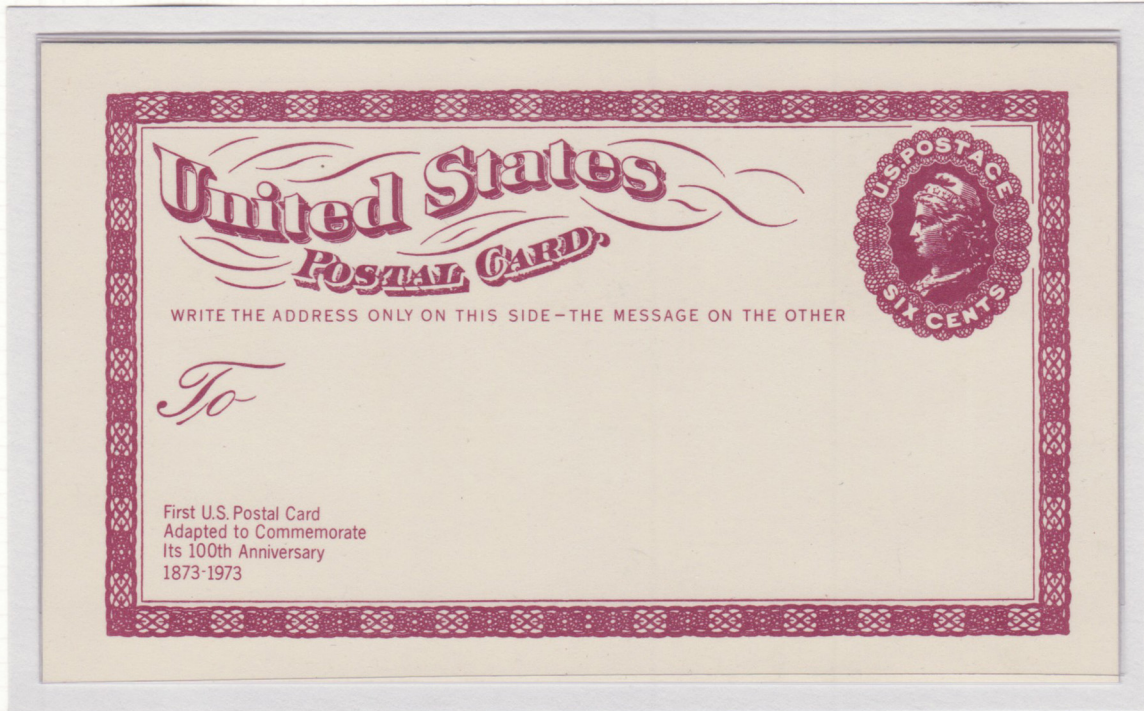
ISSUE OF 1973

Domestic Message-Reply Card

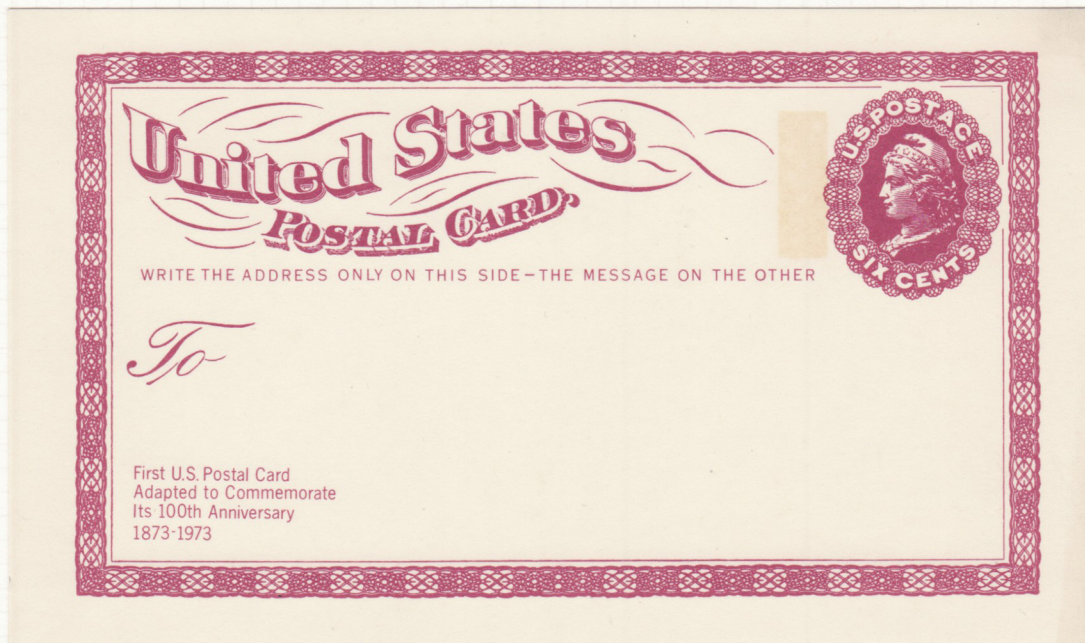


*** PRINTED ON ONE SIDE ONLY; The only reported mint card. This is on smooth card stock, whereas the previous card is on course paper stock.**

ISSUE OF 1973
Centenary of U.S. Postal Card

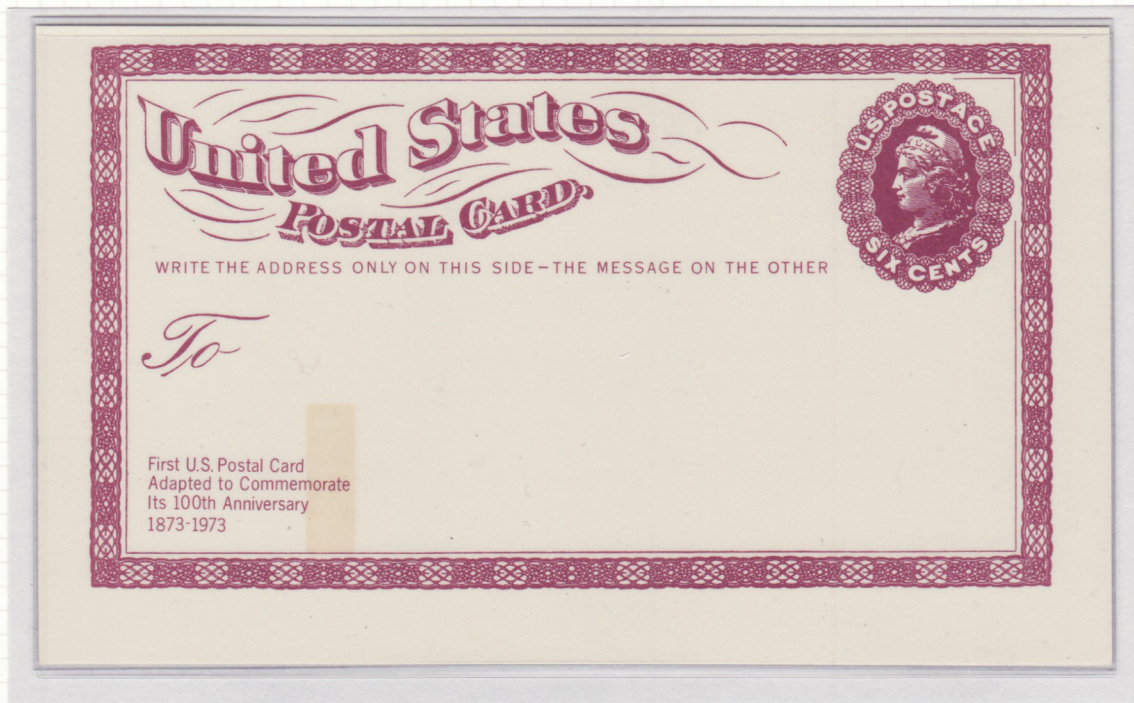


* TAGGING OMITTED.

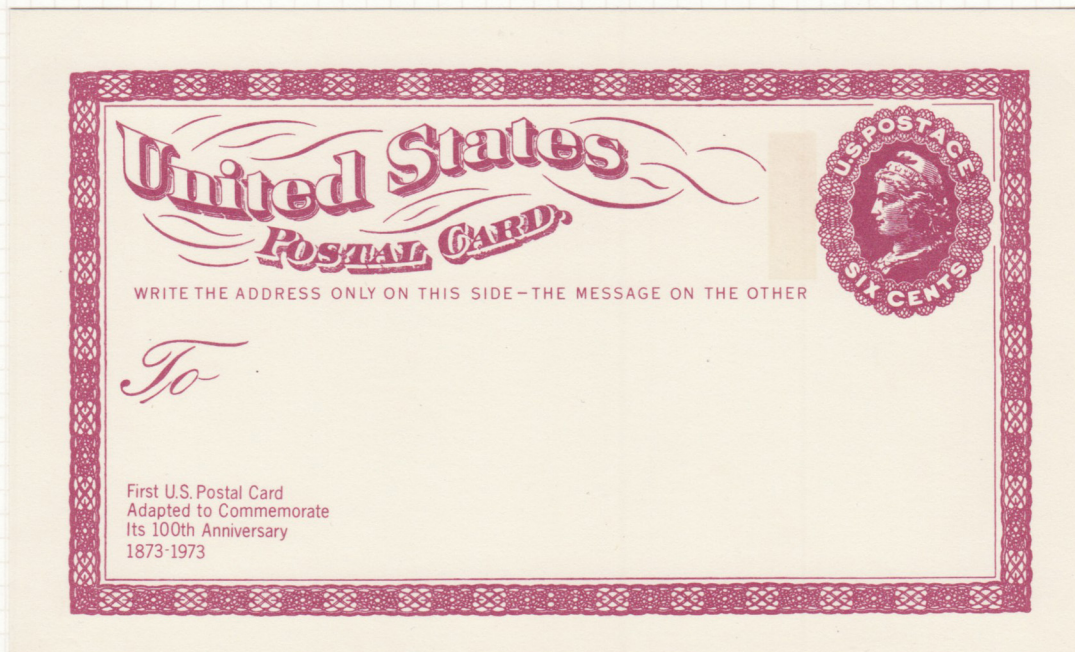


NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1973
Centenary Postal Card

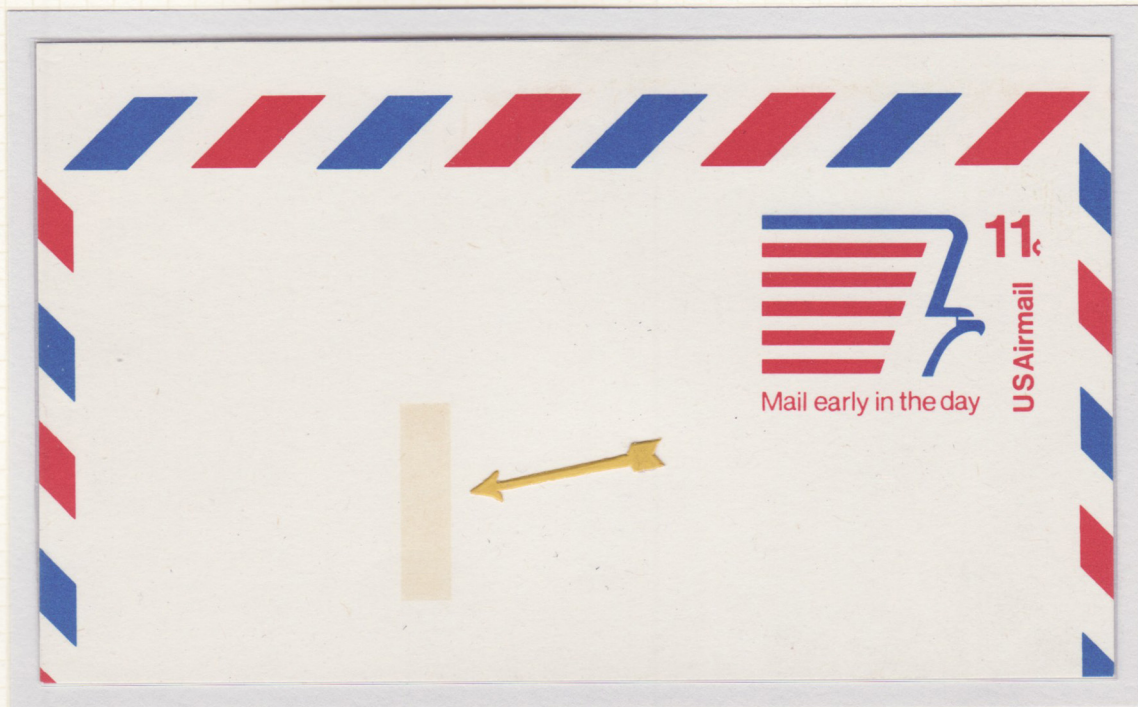


*** TAGGING INVERTED AT LOWER LEFT; two reported.**



NORMAL

**AIR MAIL POSTAL
ISSUE OF 1974**

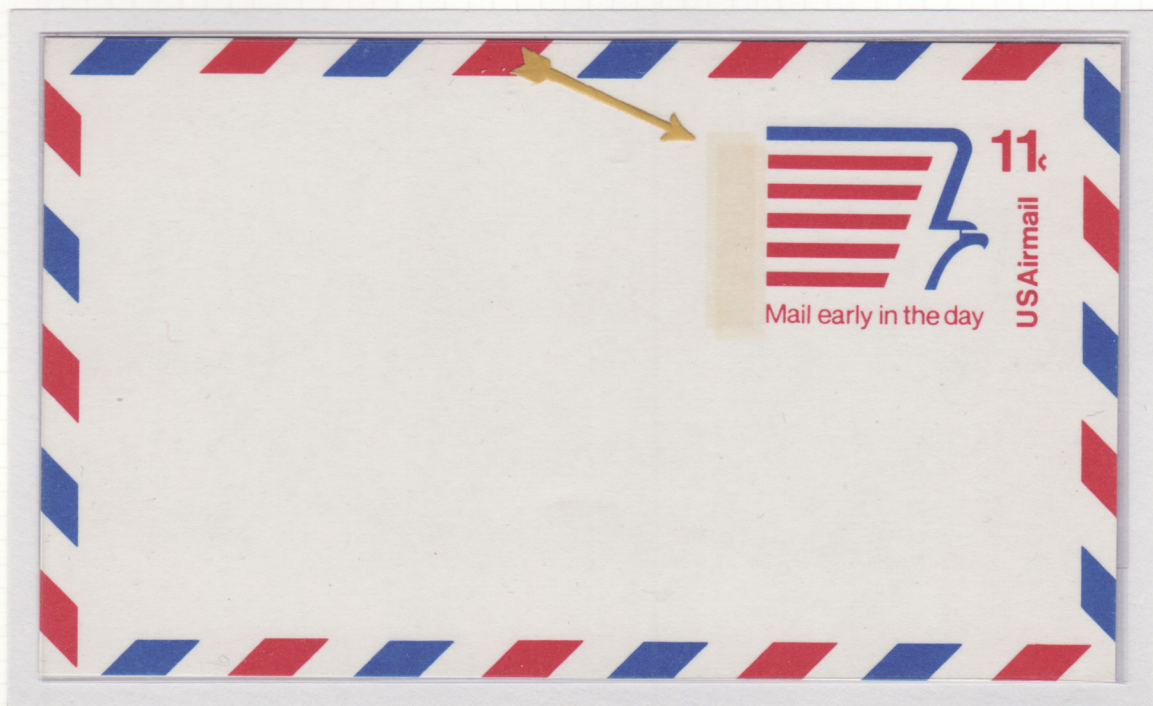


*** TAG BAR INVERTED AT LOWER LEFT AND CARD MISCUT;**

This unusual double error occurred when one sheet of cards was turned opposite of the other sheets in the stack of 250, which caused the miscutting, then when the tagging bar was applied to this "turned-around" sheet, it was inverted in relation to the normal sheets in the stack. Ten are reported.



AIR MAIL POSTAL ISSUE OF 1974



* TAG BAR DOUBLE; Two known on fluorescent card stock.



NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1974



* TAGGING OMITTED.



NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1974
Visit USA Bicentennial Era
International Card

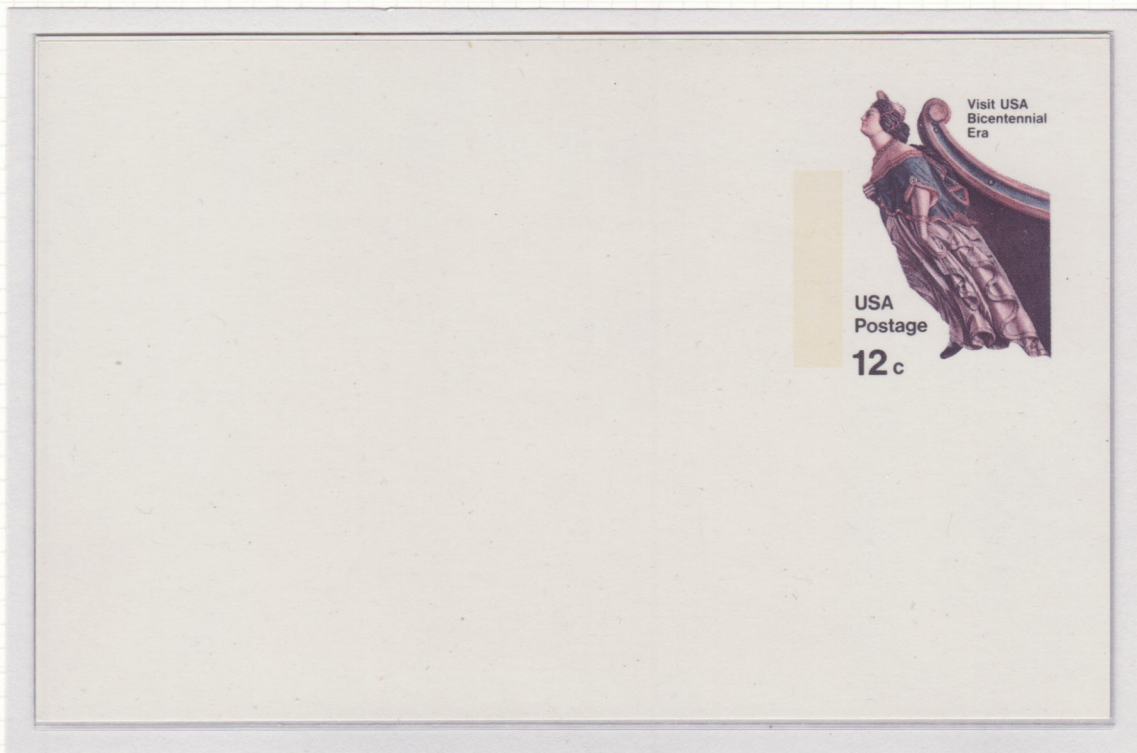


*** TAGGING OMITTED**



NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1974
Visit USA Bicentennial Era
International Card



*** YELLOW OMITTED; two reported.**



NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1974

AIR MAIL POSTAL

International Card



*** TAGGING OMITTED; only reported example.**



NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1974

AIR MAIL POSTAL

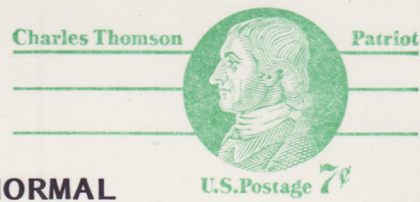
International Card



* BLACK & YELLOW OMITTED - Only reported example.



NORMAL



* DESIGN OMITTED; only reported example. Interesting group of five cards (two not shown due to insufficient space on page) each with progressively less color, with last card with no color. Note the gray streak on the top card and the color-omitted card match perfectly in position on each card, thus proving the last is this same card.

ISSUE OF 1975

International Card

AIR MAIL POSTAL



*** TAGGING OMITTED**



NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1975
International Card

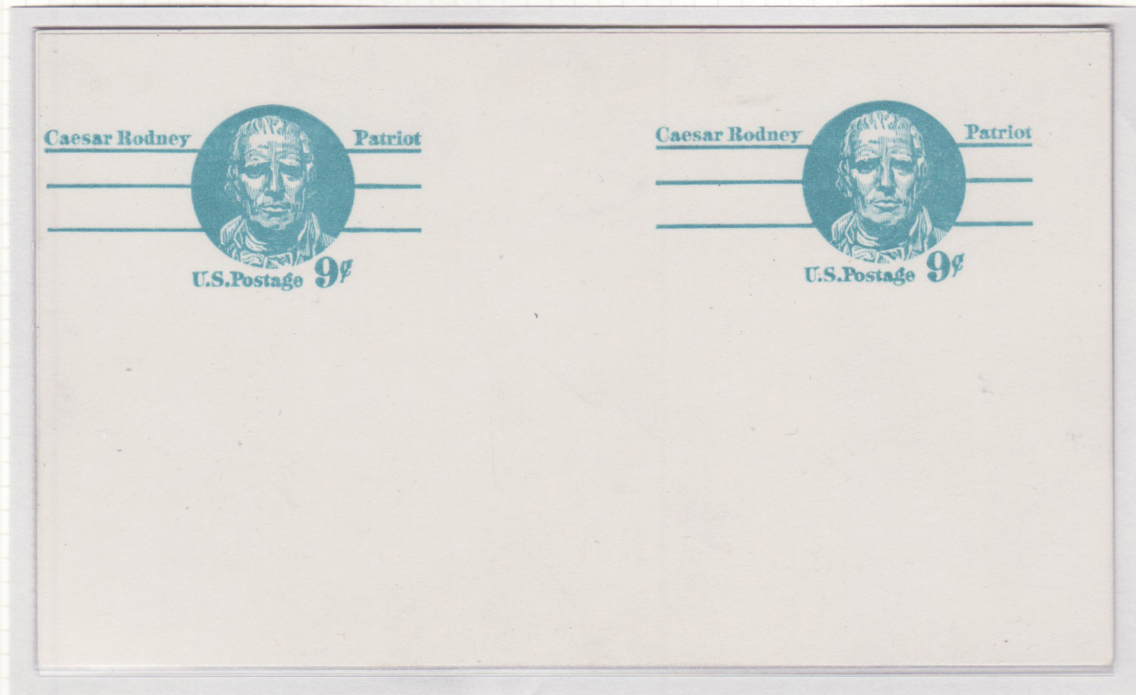


*** RED AND BLUE LOZENGES AND MAGENTA AND CYAN OMITTED;
three reported. This is the only air postal with the combination
of border and design colors omitted.**

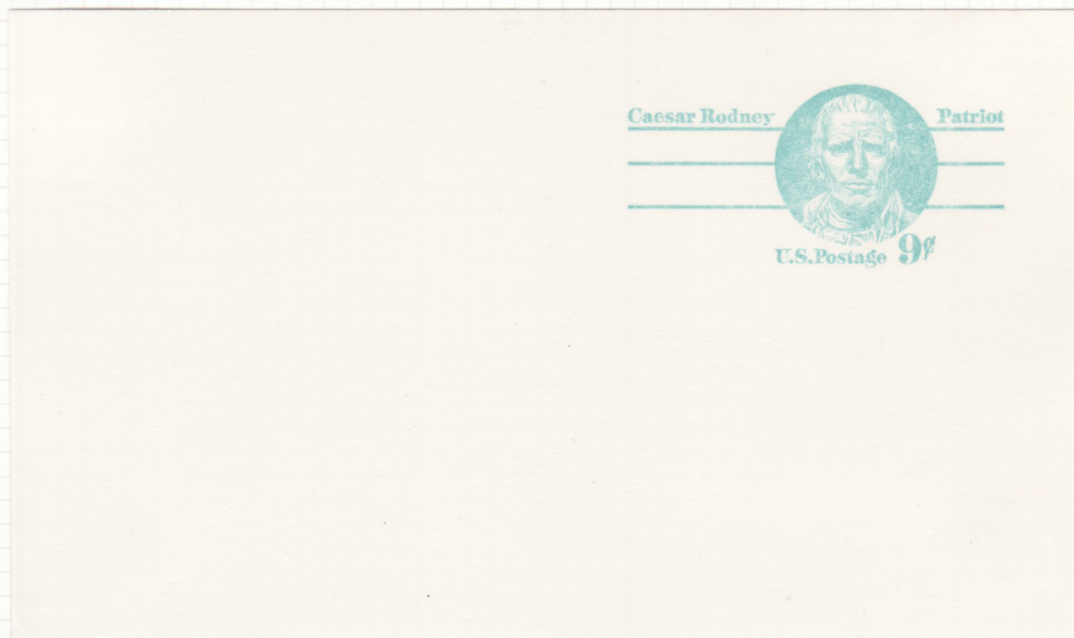


NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1976
Caesar Rodney — Patriot

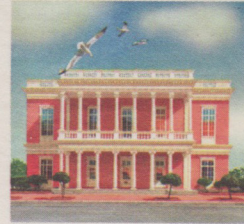


*** DOUBLE IMPRESSION; two reported.**



NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1977
Historic Preservation Series
Federal Court House — Galveston, TX

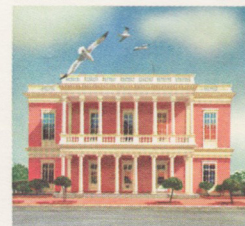


*** BLACK OMITTED; only reported example.**



Federal Court House
Galveston, Texas

USA 9c

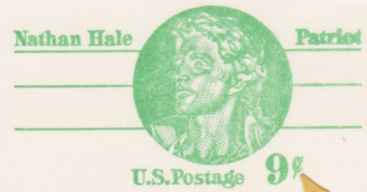


HISTORIC PRESERVATION

NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1977
Nathan Hale — Patriot

NORMAL



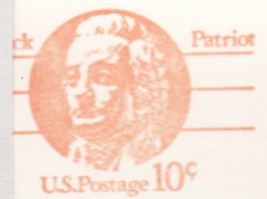
"¢" OMITTED

*** FLUORESCENT
(18 known)**

***NON-
FLUORESCENT
(400 known)**



ISSUE OF 1978
Domestic Paid Reply Card



*** PRINTED ON ONE
SIDE ONLY; only
reported example.**

ISSUE OF 1978

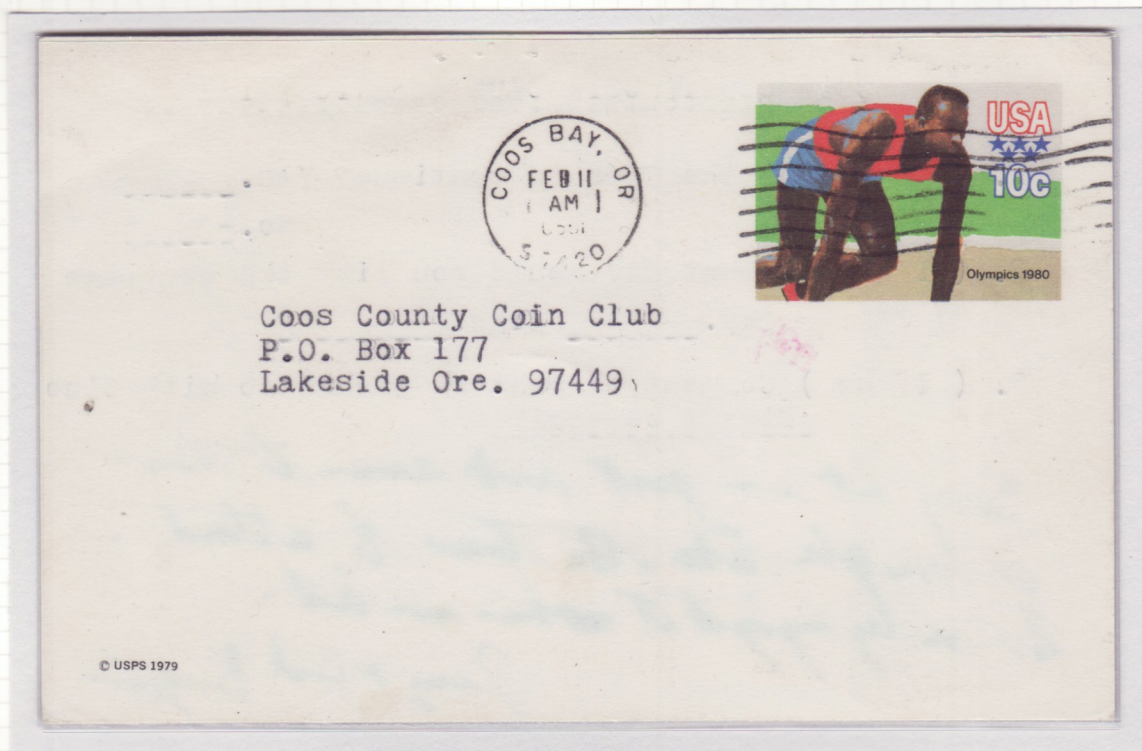
Domestic Paid Reply Card



* **PRINTING OMITTED; only reported example. This tape splice-up card has no printing on the back and only a thin trace of color at the bottom of the front which enables identification as this card.**

ISSUE OF 1979

Olympics 1980 — Domestic Card



* TAGGING OMITTED; only reported used example.

ISSUE OF 1980

Historic Preservation Series
Salt Lake Temple — Salt Lake City, UT



* TAGGING OMITTED; only reported example.

ISSUE OF 1980
Olympics 1980 — Figure Skater
International Card



*** TAGGING DOUBLE & SPLIT; Only reported example.**



NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1980

**Heroes of the American Revolution
Count Jean Baptiste de Rochambeau**



Landing of Rochambeau, 1780

© USPS 1980

*** PRINTED ON BOTH SIDES; front normal, yellow and black only on back. Two examples reported.**



Landing of Rochambeau, 1780

© USPS 1980

NORMAL



Landing of Rochambeau, 1780

*M/M Jones
10 11 San Anselmo
San Anselmo,
CA 94960*

© USPS 1980

* MAGENTA & CYAN OMITTED; Only reported example. Addressed but not mailed. Appears identical to previous error but this is printed only on the front side.



Landing of Rochambeau, 1780

© USPS 1980

NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1981
Heroes of the American Revolution
Battle of Eutaw Springs



Nathanael Greene, Eutaw Springs, 1781

© USPS 1981

*** MAGENTA AND YELLOW OMITTED; two reported examples.**



Nathanael Greene, Eutaw Springs, 1781

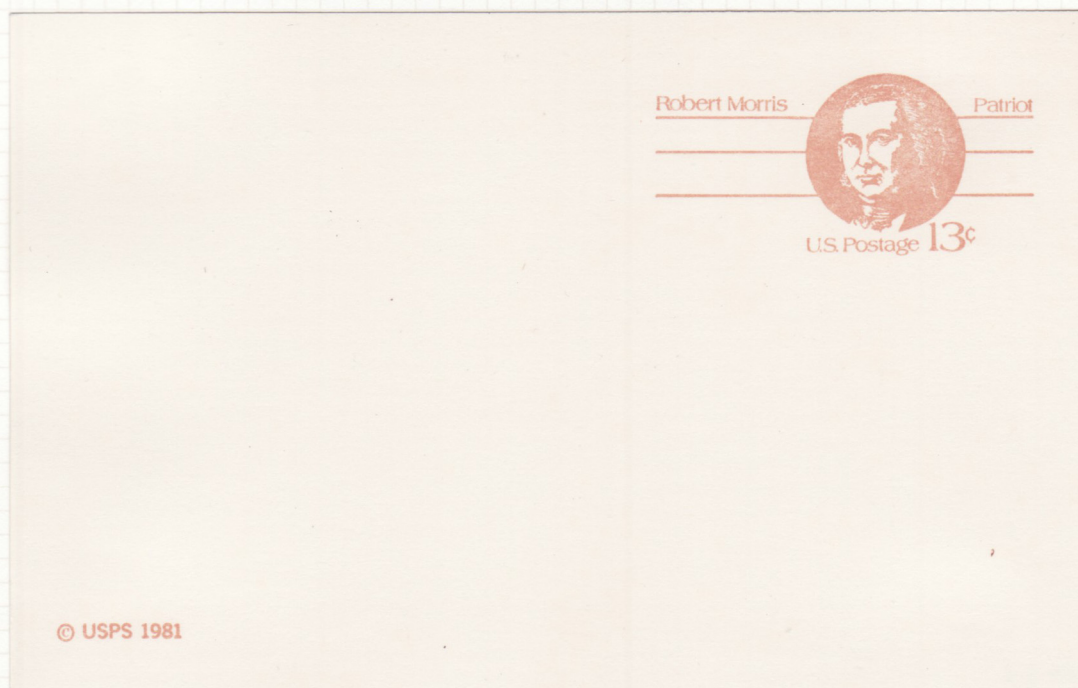
© USPS 1981

NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1981
Robert Morris — Patriot

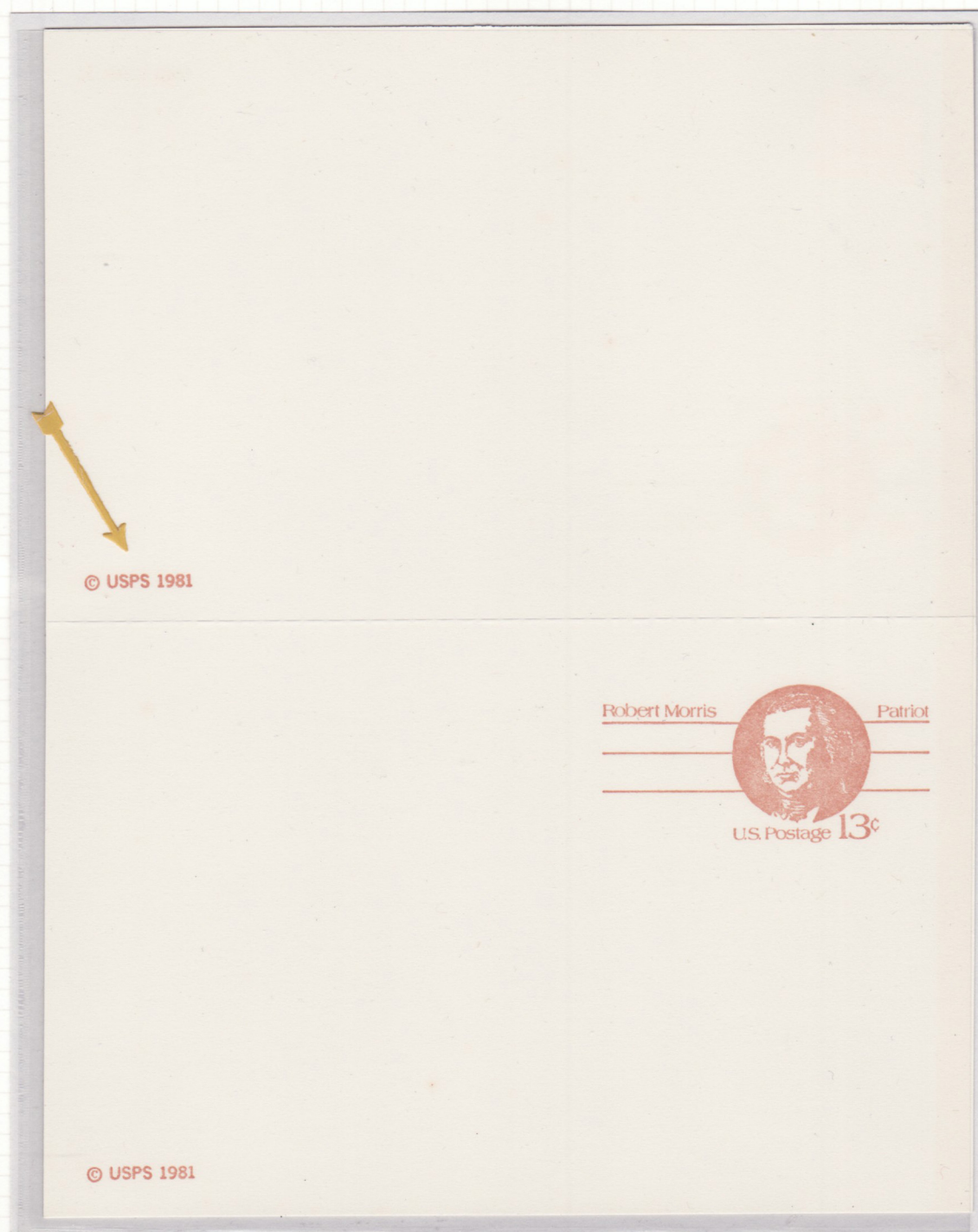


*** STAMP DESIGN MISSING (copyright normal); two reported examples.**



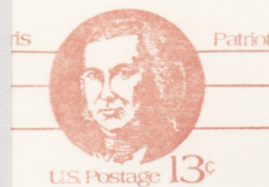
NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1981
Robert Morris — Patriot
Domestic Paid Reply Card



EXTRA COPYRIGHT IMPRINT ON BACK OF REPLY SIDE.

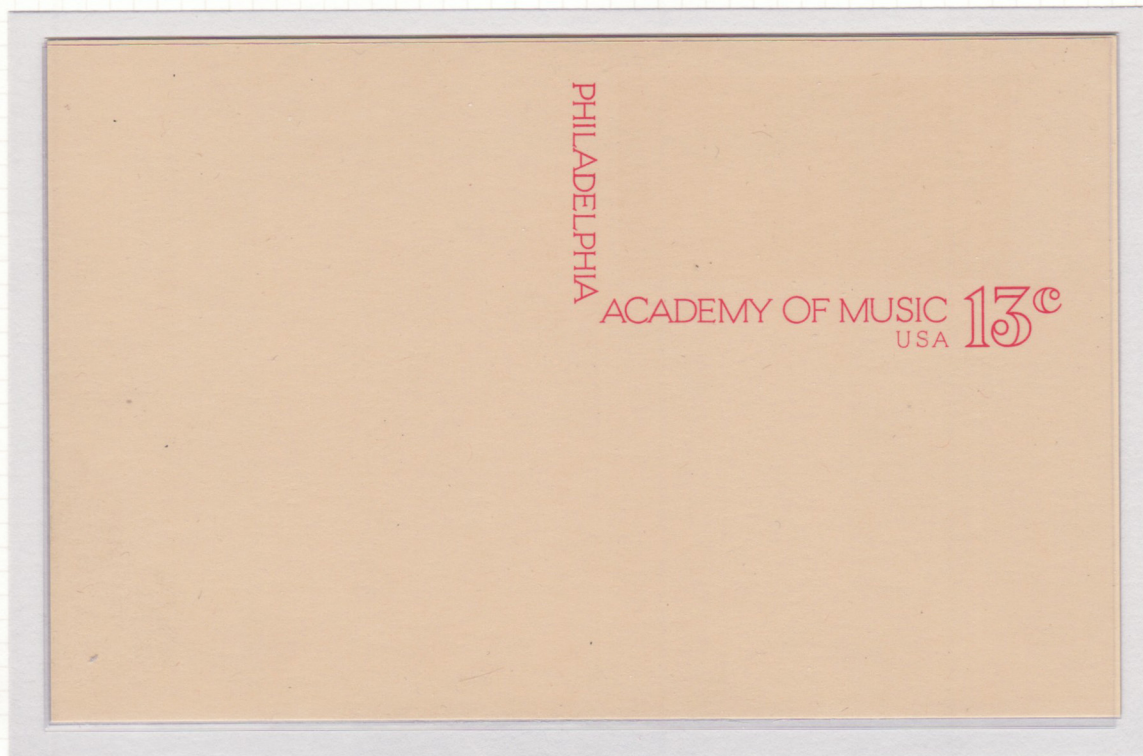
ISSUE OF 1981
Domestic Paid Reply Card



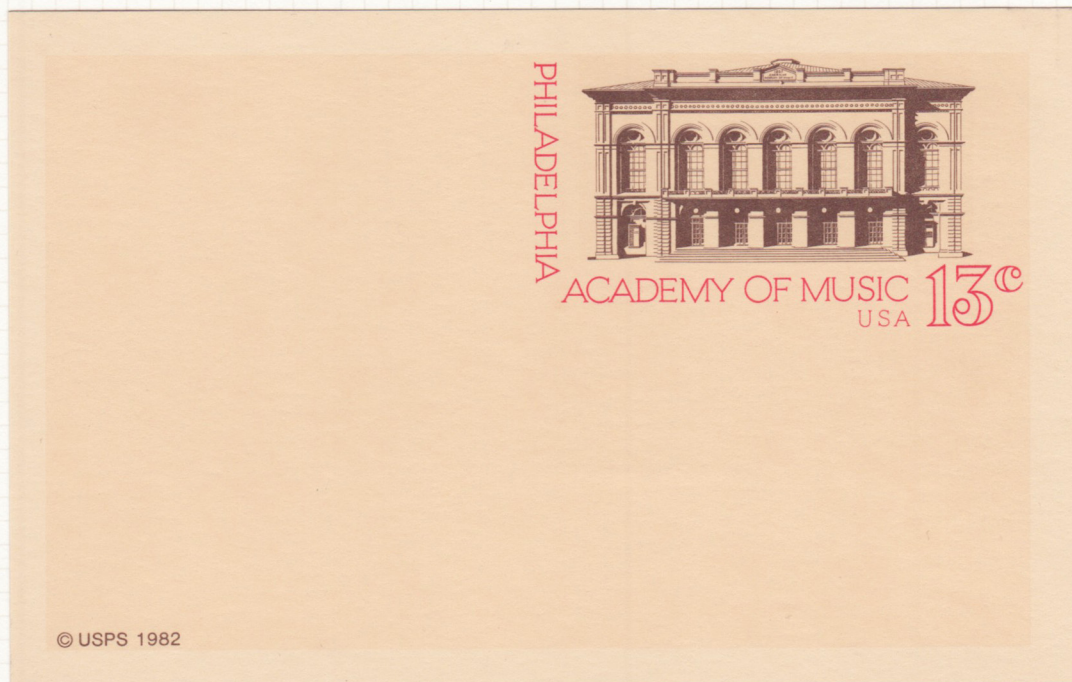
*** PRINTED ON ONE
SIDE ONLY.**

ISSUE OF 1982

Historic Preservation Series
Philadelphia Academy of Music



* BROWN AND CREAM OMITTED.



NORMAL



*** MAGENTA AND YELLOW OMITTED; Only reported example.**



NORMAL

ISSUE OF 1984
Historic Preservation Series
Rancho San Pedro



*** CYAN AND BLACK OMITTED; five reported examples.**

Dominguez Adobe
Rancho San Pedro

The California Ranchos
1784-1984



Historic Preservation USA **I3**

© USPS 1984

NORMAL

**AIR MAIL POSTAL CARD
ISSUE OF 1983**

**Olympics 1984 — Speedskating
International Card**



**NORMAL



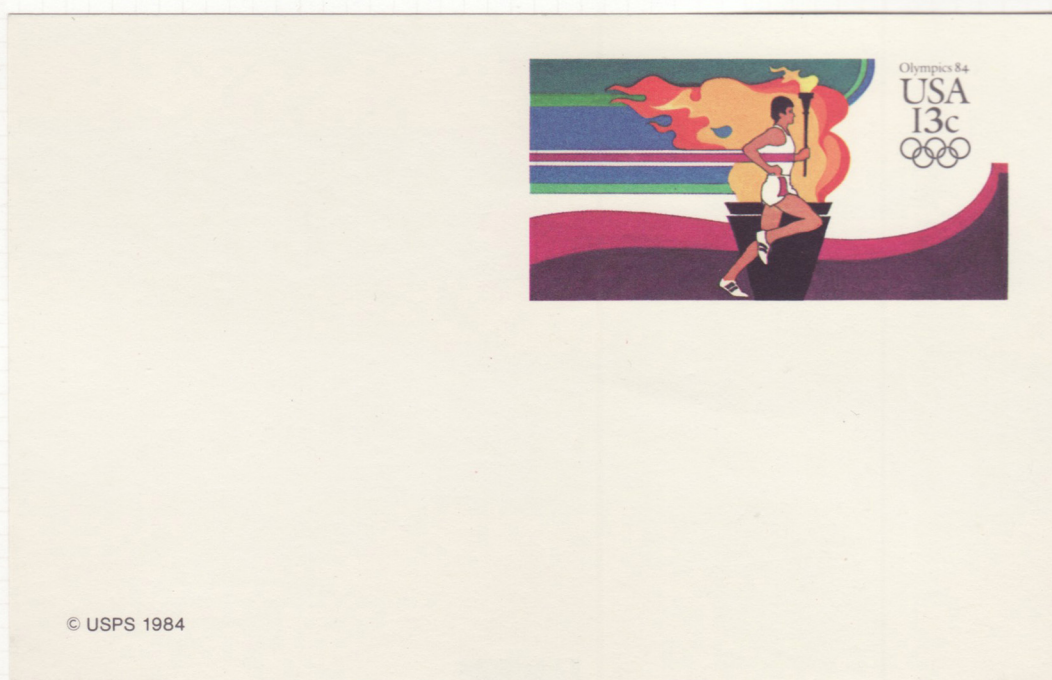
This visually stunning variety was listed as a major error in one 2010 catalog, described as a "double impression, one inverted". In fact, it is not an error.

This card was printed in sheets of 63 (7x9) cards, which were horizontally *tête-beche*, thus the partial second impression at lower right is really the correct position for this color shift on each adjoining card.

The result is arguably the most dramatic of all U.S. postal card color shifts, with the magenta and yellow shifted nearly 30mm to the left.

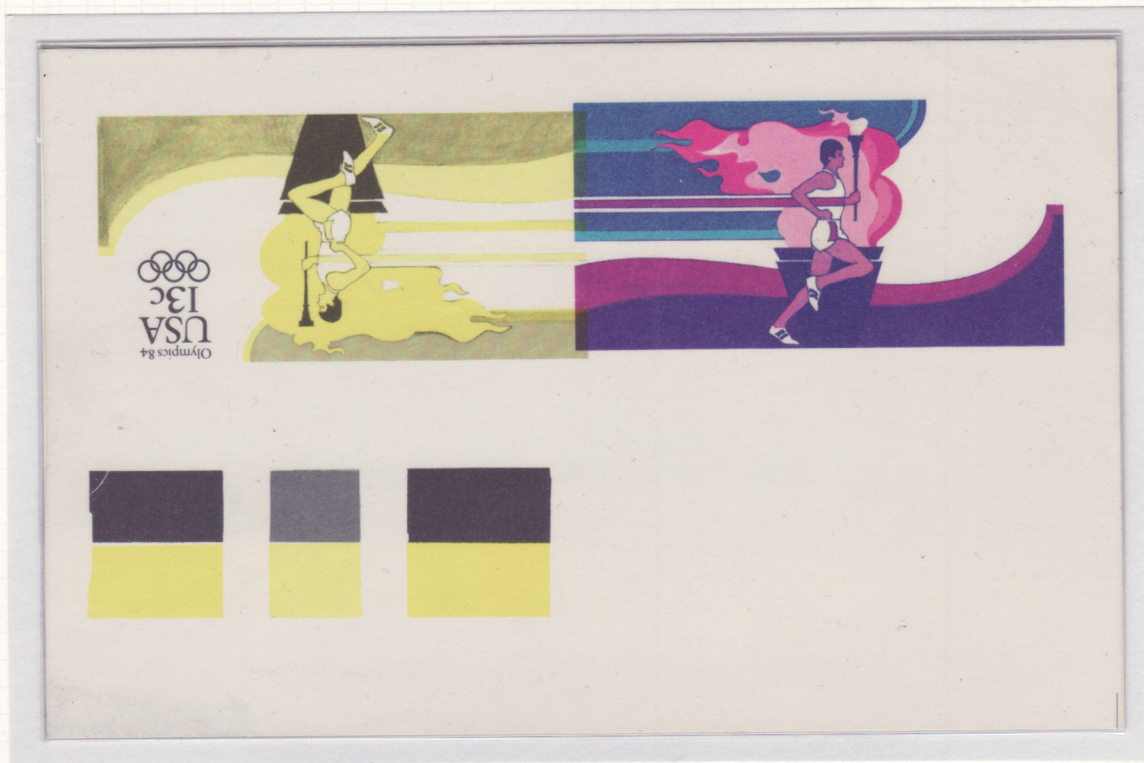


* YELLOW & BLACK IMPRESSION INVERTED, MAGENTA & CYAN NORMAL;
 Printed on a two-color Miehle offset press, the sheet was rotated 180 degrees and inadvertently put back on the card stock supply pile, then fed through the press for the second two-color printing. While earlier single-color inverted impressions exist, this is the only U.S. postal card with inverted impressions in multiple colors. Five examples initially reported in 1986, but only two have been sold in the market in the past 20+ years.

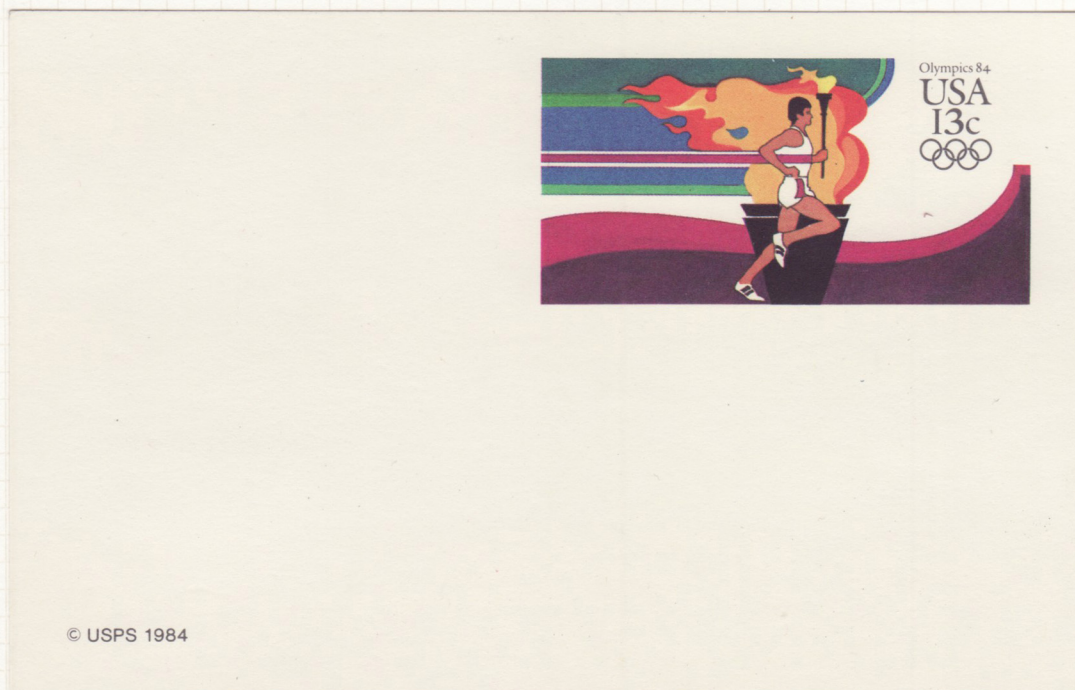


NORMAL

Issue of 1984
Olympics 1984 — Torch



*** YELLOW & BLACK IMPRESSION INVERTED; The unique margin position showing printer's color guide markings which are normally trimmed off.**



NORMAL

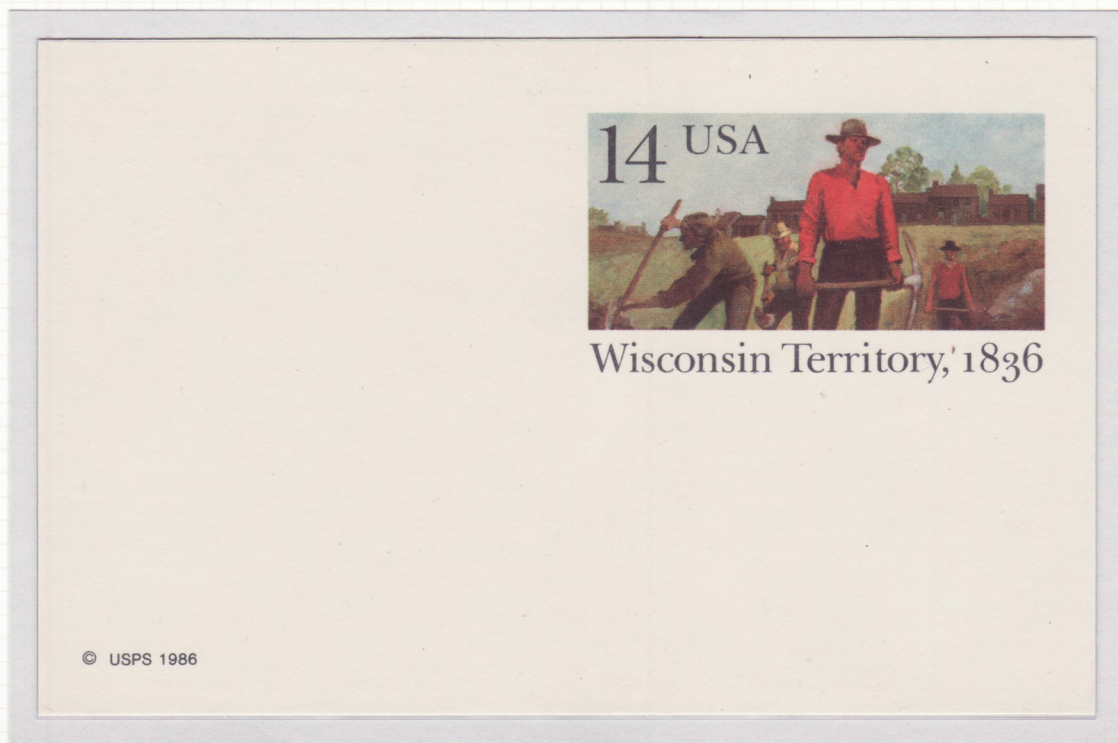
Issue of 1984

Olympics 1984 — Domestic Card



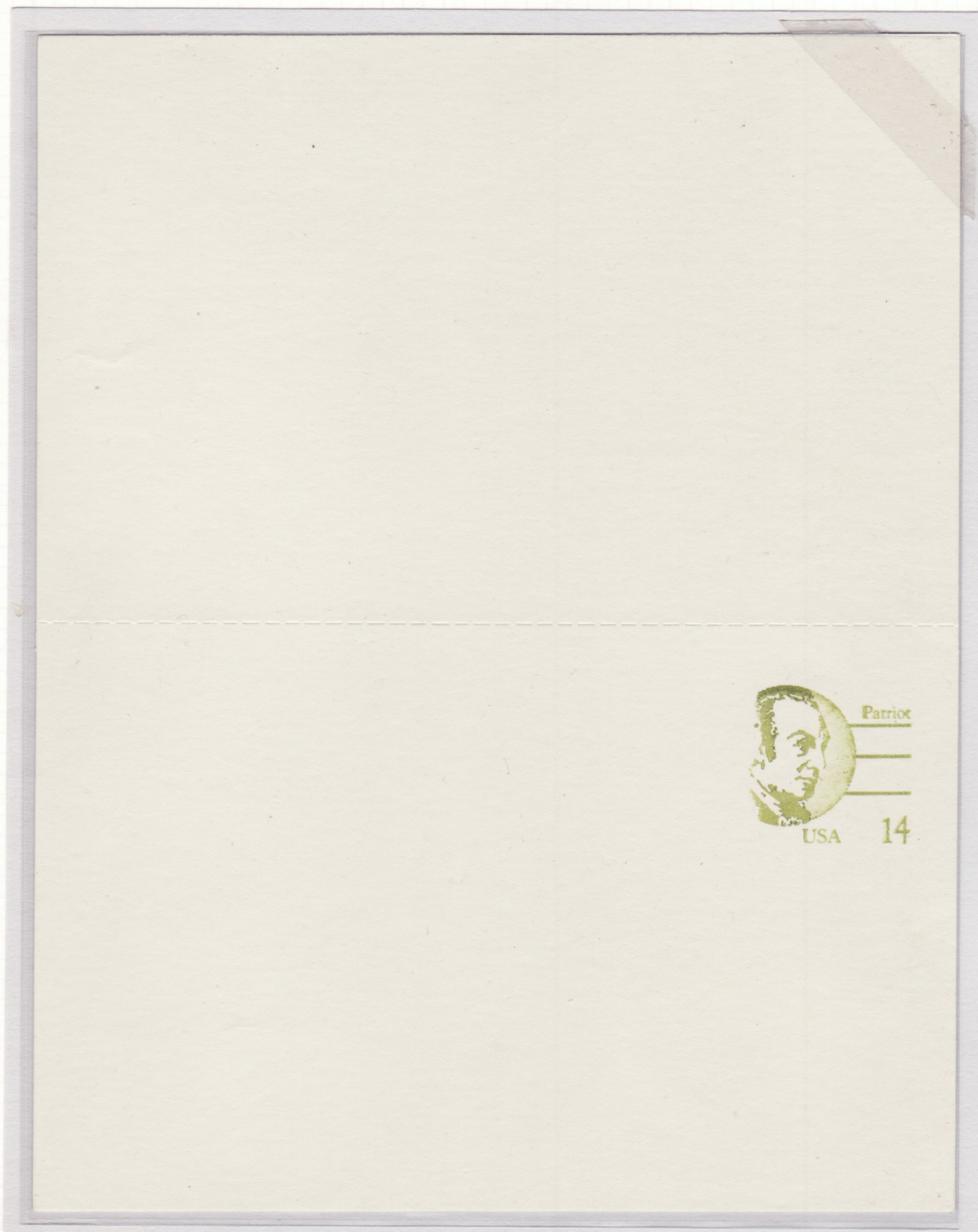
*** TAGGING OMITTED; four reported examples.**

ISSUE OF 1986



*** TAGGING OMITTED; two reported examples.**

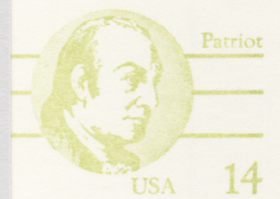
ISSUE OF 1985
George Wythe - Patriot
Domestic Message-Reply Card



- * **LEFT HALF OF INDICIA AND COPYRIGHT MISSING - Only reported example.**

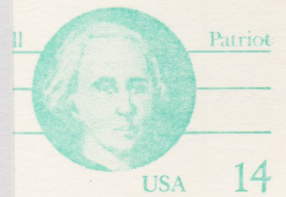
If cards are printed in single sheets, the explanation for an error such as this would be simple (another sheet was partly overlaid during the printing). But this card was printed on a web-fed Potter-Hoe rotary press which operated with ongoing, continuous printing. Therefore, it is quite probable that errors such as this were caused by a slippage following a press stoppage and restart when the synchronization between the sheet and printing plate is lost due to the slack in the web.

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Domestic Paid Reply Card



*** PRINTED ON ONE
SIDE ONLY.**

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reported example.**

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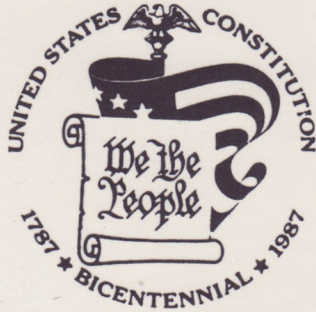
*** DOUBLE TAG BARS**



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YOUR VALUABLE SOUVENIR



George Mason
Gouverneur Morris
James Madison
Alexander Hamilton
Charles C. Pinckney

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Constitutional Convention, 1787

Benjamin Franklin

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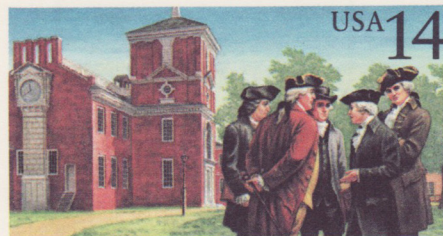
Philadelphia, PA

DURING THIS NOTEWORTHY CELEBRATION

I thank you for touring our country's most historic area in one of my deluxe horse drawn carriages.

CARL LENZ, *Former Drayman*
(Now an Active Historical Interpreter)

- * **DOUBLE IMPRESSION OF CYAN AND BLACK; five reported, all being first day usages. These are the only U.S. postal cards that have been reported with double impressions of two colors.**



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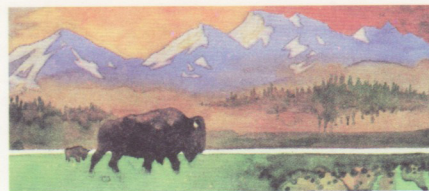
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America the Beautiful Series
Bison/Prairie Card



America the Beautiful USA **15**

*** PRINTED ON BOTH SIDES; front normal, black and cyan only
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America the Beautiful USA **15**

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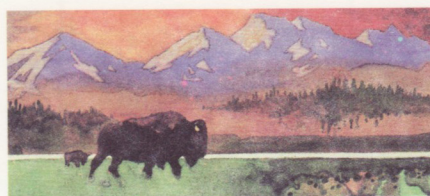
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America the Beautiful Series
Bison/Prairie Card



America the Beautiful USA **15**

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*** PRINTED ON BOTH SIDES; the impression on one side is slightly lighter than on the other side. 38 copies known.**



America the Beautiful USA **15**

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*** BLACK, MAGENTA AND TAGGING OMITTED; three reported.**

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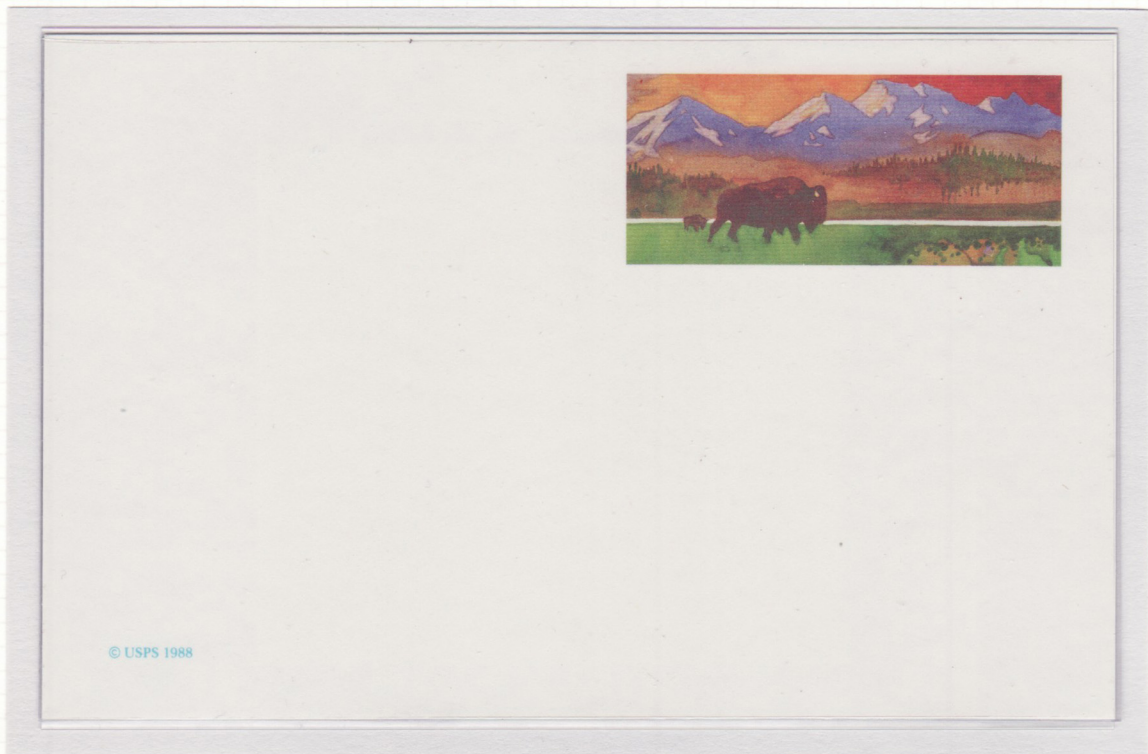
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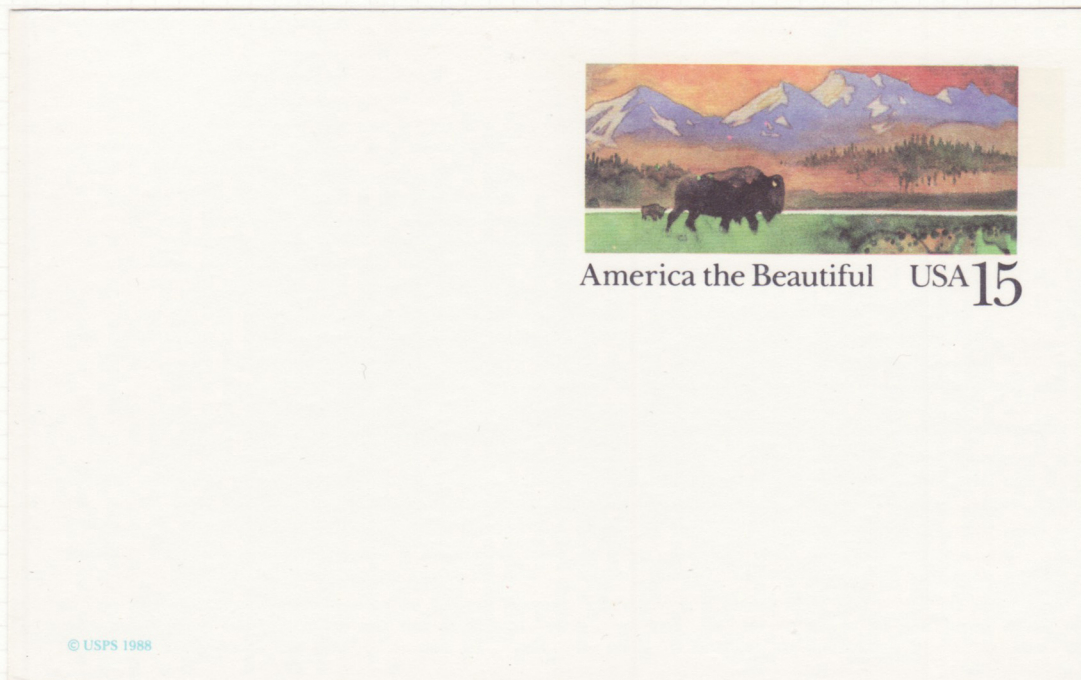
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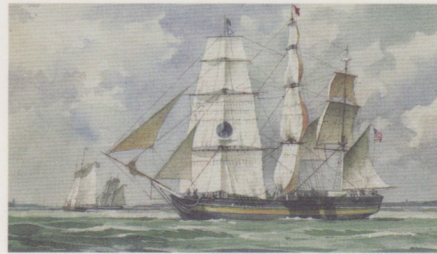


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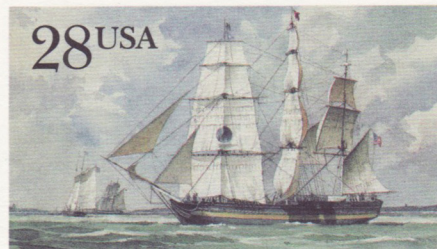
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Yorkshire
Black Ball Line
packet ship,
circa 1850

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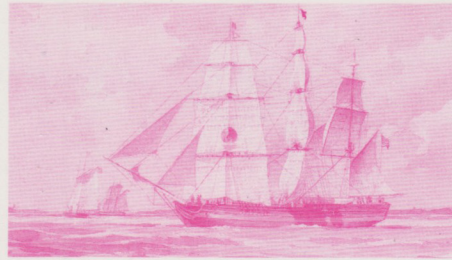
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*** BLACK, YELLOW, CYAN AND TAGGING OMITTED; one reported.**



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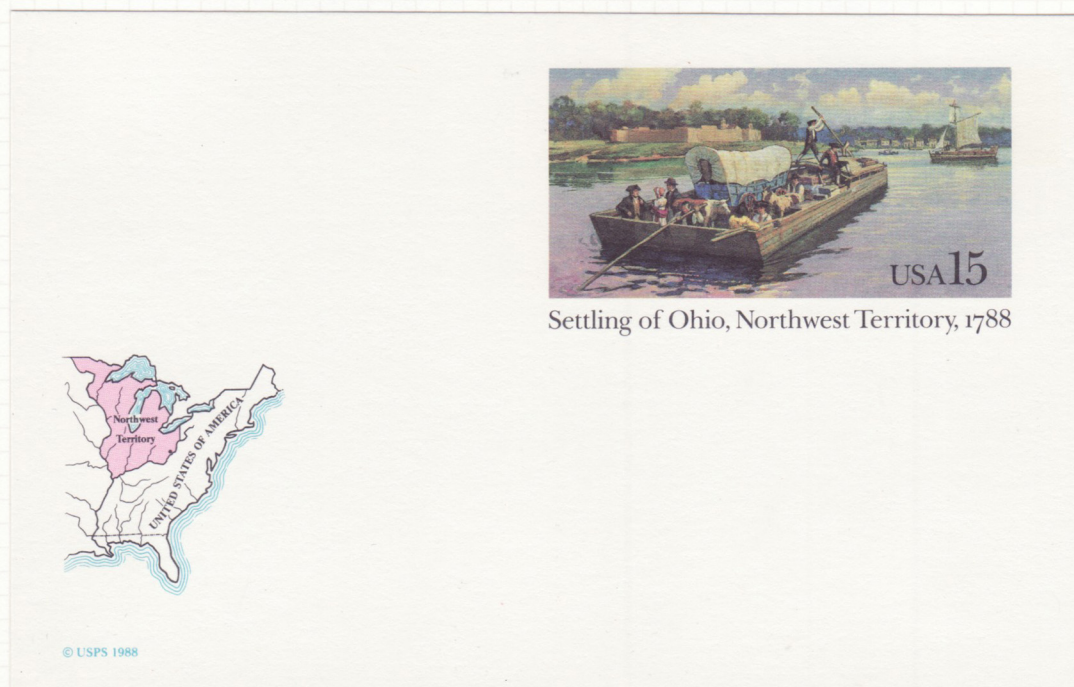
*** BLACK, MAGENTA AND TAGGING OMITTED; four reported.**

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* BLACK AND TAGGING OMITTED; two reported examples.



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* BLACK, MAGENTA, YELLOW & TAGGING OMITTED; four reported.



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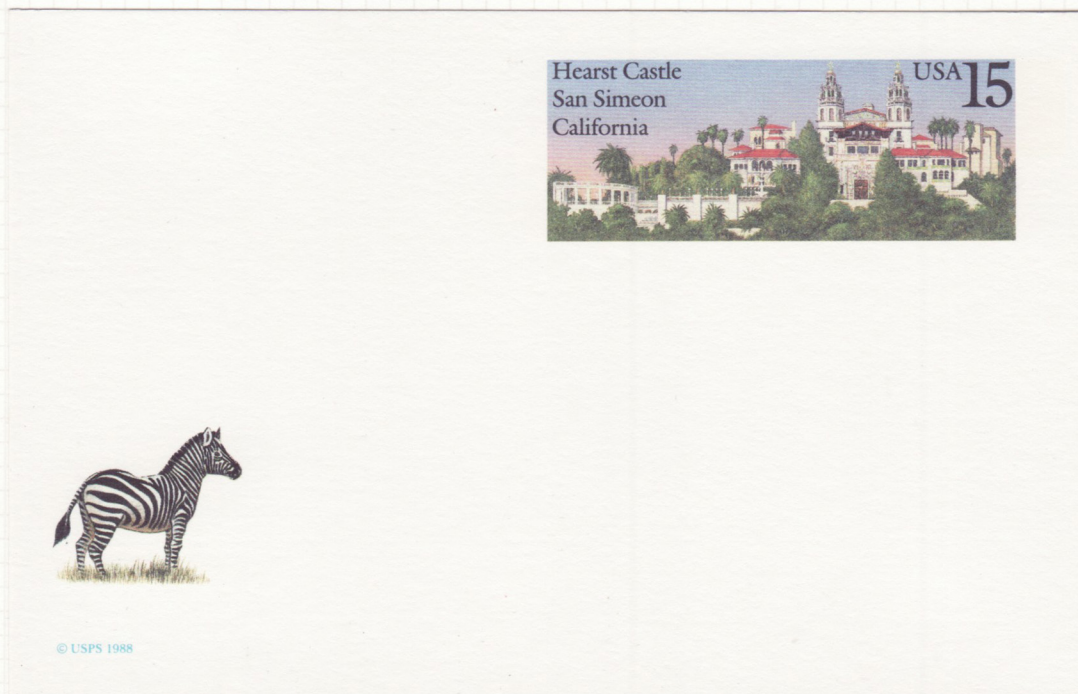


*** BLACK, YELLOW, CYAN AND TAGGING OMITTED; one reported.**

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Historic Preservation Series
Hearst Castle, San Simeon, CA



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*** BLACK, MAGENTA, YELLOW AND TAGGING OMITTED; four reported.**



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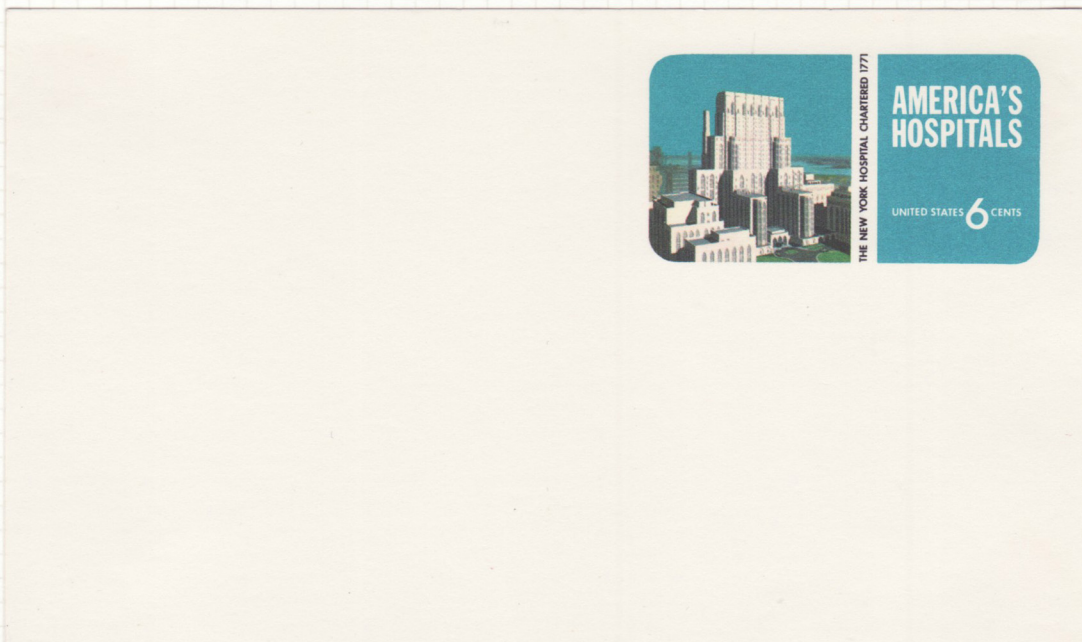


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America's Hospitals



*** MAJOR COLOR SHIFT; red & black 30mm
to left.**



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