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EDITOR'S REMARKS

Not much to remark about. Dave writes to say if I get this done before February 5 he will be able to send it out with another Nixdorf label. This is incentive enough to work toward the deadline.

The last issue was rushed and I forgot to change the issue number. The "24" should have read "25" so please change your copies so future generations will not look in vain for 25.

This issue contains a very interesting procedure for checking up on the time series of post office installations, using the Nixdorf office numer. Have a look at it and check your area. When the new Post Office Postal Code Guide comes out have a look to see if the Nixdorf offices are mixed in with the other retail postal outlets.

Also in this issue is an updated list of meters used in post offices which have the "P" and "O" in the townmark. There are a few holes left to fill yet but looks like we have a pretty complete list. Send in any information that you see will add to the list.

Wilf Whitehouse has sent me an update on Nixdorfs. I am planning on running a revised list in the next issue. If you have information on items not found on page 24-13 please write me so it can be included in the list. Check the page for the proper format to use, or send a photocopy.

The balance of the newsletter is filled with odds and ends. The Type 1 list is a bit of an embarrassment to me as it has been let go so long. It is just a long hard typing job that I put off.

Can anyone supply the missing illustrations for the Type 7.2 catalog in this issue??? Are they valid types???

NIXDORF SAGA

Roy Trueman and Bill Barry have discovered the secret of the numbers found on Nixdorf labels. This was published in PHSC issues 58 and 59. I summarize their findings here and apply it to out Nixdorf labels.

The Post Office Computer Organization Number (PROCON) is a six digit number assigned to post offices to replace the old money order office numbers. The number is similiar to the ISBN system for book publishers. The PROCON number can be interpreted as a five digit number followed by a check digit. It appears that, if that interpretation is correct, and it seems to be, then the PROCON office numbers were assigned sequentially, with some gaps.

The check number (the last digit) is calculated thus:-

Add the products of:

5 x digit 1 6 x digit 2 7 x digit 3 8 x digit 4 9 x digit 5

Divide the sum by 11. The remainder is the check digit; however, if the remainder is 10 do not use it.

Now lets look at the PROCON number at the lower left on Nixdorf labels. I have chosen Calgary as there are quite a few installations, and we don't have examples of them all on record yet. A difference in this series than the regular series is the "0" as the first digit. Let's ignore it for now. I only include the PROCON and NIXDORF numbers here.

0590258	3000009	0592005	3000042	0592218	3000046
0590266	3000008	0592013	3000037	0592331	3000152
0590266	3000011	0592021	3000151	0592358	3000105
0590622	3000021	0592048	3000038	0592366	3000107
0591963	3000030	0592056	3000039	0592412	3000120
0591971	3000031	0592064	3000036	0592455	3000073
0591998	3000045	0592072	3000035	0592498	3000109
		0592072	3000042	0592544	3000157
		0592072	3000043	0592595	3000049

Checking the first one: 5 x 5 = 25; 6 x 9 = 54; 7 x 0 = 0; 8 x 2 = 16; 9 x 5 = 45. Total of 25 + 54 + 0 + 16 + 45 = 140 Divide by 11 = 12 and remainder of 8, which is the check digit.

Looking at the PROCON number we may conclude that "059" is postal area identification number. The next three digits is the office number, and the final digit is a computer check number to see that an operator made no errors in typing in the number. Note we list 196 to 207 but are missing 198 and 204. Also note that probably the office number was assigned before the equipment was delivered, if indeed it was delivered in sequential numbers. I also see that three meters have been used in one office. I am sure that you can discern other trends.

P.O. POSTAGE METERS REVISITED AGAIN

Ross W. Irwin

The group of meter indicia which has a "P" and "O" in the townmark is of continuing interest. The initial article and list was in CMSG NL 16-3. Additional listings were included at 17-2 and 17-4. The work was consolidated at 18-4. I have been able to look at the records concerning this group and am producing what I hope is the almost final word on the subject.

Apparently the first use of a postage meter in a post office, other than for postage due, was at Toronto, Terminal A, when a Type 9 Pitney Bowes JP machine, with a Model JDP postage meter was rented February 16, 1938, for use in the Insurance and COD wickets. This was probably meter 94046. Other Type 9 meters used at this wicket were: 94039, 94028 and 94068.

As of April 17, 1942, there were 2 postage meters at the Toronto post office and one each at Montreal, Ottawa, Saint John, New Westminster, Charlottetown and Lethbridge. By 1947 the number had risen to 15 and shortly after to 21 - with two Model JDP postage meters at Toronto and Montreal, and one at Truro, Saint John and Ottawa. Pitney Bowes Model RGP and RFP parcel post postage meters were at Halifax, Charlottetown, Moncton, Kingston, Brandon, Regina, Saskatoon, Lethbridge, New Westminster and Victoria. Edmonton and London had two of these meters.

The post office established criteria in 1949 for offices requesting a postage meter. The criteria was 200 parcels a day over the counter, over a two week period. In 1957 the word parcels was changed to "bulky items". The policy to justify two machines was time saving of staff, the number of patrons, and distance.

The fall of 1952 the post office authorized 12 postage meters for stations in Toronto, 10 of them were Pitney Bowes. The Post Office did not rent the meter but purchased it outright. The price for a meter and machine was \$725 but if over 10 were purchased the cost was \$650. The post office also purchased 28 used meters and 84 new meters of the Model RG machine with Model RFP meter. These 112 meters were sent to 68 post offices - a list is in the Weekly Bulletin, May 4, 1952.

About 1959 the use of postage meters in post offices increased when they were installed in all major post offices in Canada, thus eliminating the use of postage stamps for much of the parcel post.

The Post Office regulated, April 11, 1961, that parcel post meter dies were not to be engraved with the postal or substation names - just the city. Provision was made to retain the old dies until they were worn out. A further 30 meters were purchased in 1961. The system expanded greatly after decentralization, April 1, 1962. The post office always kept a supply of 15 - 20 meters for spares and for Christmas at various offices.

By 1966 postage meters were in use in 143 staff offices and 80 postal stations.

In 1969 the Post Office changed from the Model RF and RG to the Pitney Bowes Model 5319 meter and Model 5466 machine as well as the Friden Model 9225 meter and Model 9010 machine. The Pitney Bowes serial block began at 558550.

YEAR	INSTALLED	YEAR	INSTALLED	YEAR	INSTALLED
1947	16	1956	5	1966	14
1948	5	1957	7	1967	17
1949	2	1958	8	1968	32
1950	9	1959	25	1969	8
1951	45	1961	9		
1952	29	1962	3		
1953	16	1963	9		
1954	7	1964	6		
1955	6	1965	10		

This updated list is based on a review of collections and data from Post Office records. Where the town name is followed by a province it refers to the actual townmark lettering. The date is that reported in a collection. When the town has no province it is from Post Office records and the actual townmark lettering is not known. In some instances there are probably duplicates; for example, 143469 the townmark reads MONTREAL QUEBEC however I have indicated a second reference to show the postage meter was actually located at postal station N although this does not appear in the townmark. Column 3 is the year the postage meter was actually installed at that post office.

Note: Meter 94007 is an error as this meter was used by the Steel Company of Canada.

Meters Montreal 140300, Toronto 140425, Vancouver 143947 in 1961 were at the UNDELIVERABLE MAIL OFFICE. These were just counting heads for printing. The meters were made inoperative so was just for a printing head.

LISTING OF P.O. POSTAGE METERS

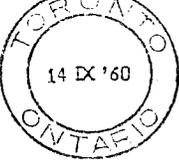
SERIAL	TOWNMARK AND DATE	INSTALLED	
51009	OTTAWA ONTARIO 1945		143306 MONTREAL STN G 1947
51010	OTTAWA ONTARIO 1944		143306 MONTREAL QUEBEC 1960 1947
94007	MONTREAL QUEBEC 1941		143306 DON MILLS 1962
94028	TORONTO ONTARIO 1944		143367 WINDSOR ONTARIO 1967
94039	TORONTO ONTARIO 1940		143369 REGINA STA A 1947
94040	TORONTO ONTARIO 1940		143370 NEW GLASGOW NOVA SCOTIA 1947
94040	MONTREAL QUEBEC 1940		143370 MONCTON 1947
94046	TORONTO ONTARIO 1938		143370 LONDON ONTARIO 1958
94047	MONTREAL QUEBEC 1938		143391 KITCHENER 1947
94048	OTTAWA ONTARIO 1937		143398 KITCHENER ONTARIO
94054	TORONTO ONTARIO 1952		143413 MONTREAL QUEBEC 1959 1947
94057	TORONTO ONTARIO 1950		143413 HALIFAX N.S. 1971
94062	SAINT JOHN NEW BRUNSWICK 1951		143413 MONTREAL STN B 1947
94067	OTTAWA ONTARIO 1951		143426 ST. JOHN'S NFLD. 1960 1948
94068	TORONTO ONTARIO 1951		143426 TORONTO ONTARIO 1975
94075	TORONTO ONTARIO 1949		143427 SUDBURY ONTARIO
94119	TRURO NOVA SCOTIA 1948		143469 MONTREAL QUEBEC 1961 1947
140189	NORTH BATTLEFORD	1948	143469 MONTREAL STN N 1947
140189	VANCOUVER S	1967	143493 CHARLOTTETOWN P.E.I. 1960 1953
140201	TORONTO ADELAIDE	1951	143495 MONTREAL O 1955
140209	TIMMINS ONTARIO 1953	1952	143495 MONTREAL QUEBEC 1956 1955
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140256	NIAGARA FALLS ONTARIO 1959	1952	143506 FORT WILLIAM 1964
140256	HALIFAX N.S.		143507 ESTEVAN 1964
140261	LETHBRIDGE ALBERTA		143507 VANCOUVER A 1959
140263	CHARLOTTETOWN P.E.I. 1948		143515 KENORA 1959
140264	VICTORIA B.C. 1959	1947	143517 DOWNSVIEW 1959
140264	VANCOUVER	1961	143518 WINNIPEG 1959
140265	NEW WESTMINSTER B.C.		143519 WINNIPEG 1959
140266	NORTH BATTLEFORD SASK. 1965		143520 TORONTO B 1961
140266	KINGSTON	1947	143523 CALGARY 1959
140294	NEW WESTMINSTER B.C.		143524 TORONTO F 1961
140484	NEW WESTMINSTER	1965	143527 OTTAWA EASTVIEW 1963
140499	NEW WESTMINSTER B.C. 1947		143527 YORKTON 1948
140654	VANCOUVER B.C. 1957		143529 MONTREAL QUEBEC
143003	TROIS RIVIERE	1963	143535 PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE MAN. 1963 1952
143030	WILLOWDALE	1959	143545 MONTREAL 1953
143075	ST JOHNS		143550 MONTREAL 1953
143076	CALGARY		143560 BRANDON MANITOBA 1974
143078	MONTREAL VICTORIA	1959	143581 KITCHENER ONTARIO 1960
143080	DAUPHIN	1959	143590 LETHBRIDGE ALBERTA 1959 1950
143081	HAMILTON C	1959	143603 MONTREAL QUEBEC
143082	STRAITFORD	1959	143613 SARNIA ONTARIO 1948
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143085	MONTREALPOINT ANN	1959	143654 VANCOUVER C 1952
143108	FORT ST JOHN	1961	143654 VICTORIA B.C. 1962
143110	LLOYDMINSTER SASK. 1963	1952	143662 YARMOUTH
			143662 HAMILTON ONTARIO 1954
			143669 FORT FRANCES 1949
			143670 LONDON 1947
			143670 STATION T TORONTO ONT. 1961 1959
			143676 KITCHENER ONTARIO 1964
			143676 ST THOMAS 1947
			143677 EDMONTON ALTA. 1956 1948
			143684 HALIFAX NOVA SCOTIA

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143692 BRANDON	1947	146138 NELSON	1952
143868 REXDALE	1964	146139 VANCOUVER B.C. 1956	1952
144087 LINDSAY ONTARIO		146139 OUTREMONT MONTREAL P.Q.	
144220 FORT WILLIAM ONTARIO 1956		146139 VANCOUVER D	1952
144229 PRINCE ALBERT SASK. 1963		146139 POSTAL STATION A VANCOUVER B.C.	
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144595 LACHINE	1963	146140 MONTREAL L	1952
144777 NEW GLASGOW N.S. 1965		146141 WESTON	1952
144777 SYDNEY	1950	146141 TORONTO ONTARIO 1956	
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144814 GUELPH ONTARIO 1968		146144 NOTRE-DAME-DE-GRAVE MONTREAL P.Q.	1952
144814 SASKATOON SASK. 1963	1947	146144 PEMBROKE ONTARIO 1964	
144842 WEYBURN	1964	146145 NEW GLASGOW NOVA SCOTIA	1952
144843 PRINCE RUPERT	1959	146145 CALGARY D	1967
144872 WOODSTOCK	1966	146145 EDMONTON	1961
144872 ORILLIA ONTARIO 1961	1953	146146 SAULT STE MARIE ONTARIO 1956	1952
145202 QUEBEC QUEBEC 1959	1950	146148 TORONTO ONTARIO 1952	
145202 KITCHENER ONTARIO 1972		146148 WINDSOR ONTARIO 1974	
145202 QUEBEC CITY - terminal	1950	146149 TORONTO N	1952
145235 MEDICINE HAT ALBERTA 1956	1950	146149 WINDSOR ONTARIO 1976	
145236 MONTREAL QUEBEC 1962		146189 POSTAL STATION 'A' VANCOUVER B.C.	
145236 QUEBEC QUEBEC	1950	146261 ROCK ISLAND QUEBEC 1963	
145241 NEW WESTMINSTER B.C. 1954	1953	146280 PRESTON ONTARIO 1962	
145243 NORTH BAY	1950	146331 KITCHENER ONTARIO	
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145248 WINNIPEG MANITOBA		146401 REGINA SASK. 1974	
145249 LONDON ONTARIO 1959	2/10/1947	146402 TORONTO ONTARIO 1953	1952
145257 VERNON B.C. 1952	1952	146402 TORONTO J	1952
145347 VANCOUVER	1950	146403 TORONTO F	1952
145355 VANCOUVER B.C. 1957		146403 TORONTO ONTARIO 1953	1952
145359 VANCOUVER	1950	146404 DRUMMONDVILLE	1952
145366 KELOWNA B.C. 1963	1953	146405 TORONTO C	1952
145367 RIMOUSKI	1963	146405 DOWNSVIEW ONTARIO 1968	
145371 ST. THOMAS ONTARIO 1971		146406 TORONTO K	1952
145371 LONDON C	1962	146406 TORONTO ONTARIO 1953	1952
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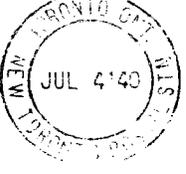
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		151982 SCARBOROUGH ONTARIO 1961	1959
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		153081 STATION C HAMILTON ONT. 1972	
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151116 MONTREAL H	1956	153085 PLACE D'ARMES MONTREAL P.Q. 1962	
151116 EDMONTON E	1966	153241 YOUVILLE MONTREAL P.Q. 1980	
151116 MONTREAL QUEBEC 1965	1956	153343 TORONTO ONTARIO 1954	
151120 HALIFAX N.S. 1969	1956	153506 MONTREAL QUEBEC 1966	
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151387 VANCOUVER B.C. 1962	1957	153517 DOWNSVIEW ONTARIO 1960	
151393 WEST VANCOUVER	1957	153518 WINNIPEG MANITOBA 1962	
151400 VANCOUVER NORTH BURNABY	1957	153520 TORONTO STA. B ONT. 1961	
151400 VANCOUVER B.C.		153521 TILLSONBURG	1961
151408 VANCOUVER E	1957	153522 ST.THOMAS ONTARIO 1965	

CMMSG METER CATALOG

Type	Indicia	Remarks
7.2	 	<p>METRE xxxxx HX - 82426 - 83029 HT - 84016 - 84022</p>
7.2.1		Broken inner circle
7.2.2		Inverted townmark
7.2.3	 	RETURN POSTAGE/PREPAID
7.2.4	 	RETURN POSTAGE PREPAID/ PORT DE RETOUR PAYE
7.2.5	 	Type 3 datemark, RN
7.2.6	 	Type 11 datemark, RN

CMSG METER CATALOG

Type	Indicia	Remarks
7.2.7	 	Large and small letters in townmark
7.2.8		No townmark
7.2.9	 	Date blank
7.2.10	 	Day omitted from datemark
7.2.11	 	Postal station in townmark
7.2.12	 	Dingbats in townmark
7.2.13	 	SPECIMEN indicia

CMSG METER CATALOG

Type	Indicia	Remarks
7.2.14	 	Datemark letters and numbers smaller and wider than 7.1
7.2.15	 	New style numbers and letters
7.2.16	 	Type 11 datemark sans serif RN
7.2.17	 	Larger style datemark than 7.2.5
7.2.18	 	Month missing in datemark
7.2.19	See 7.2.11	Province abbreviated
7.2.20		

OHMER FARE REGISTER PARCEL POST METER
OHMER FARE POSTAGE REGISTER

Ross W. Irwin

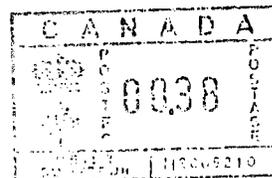
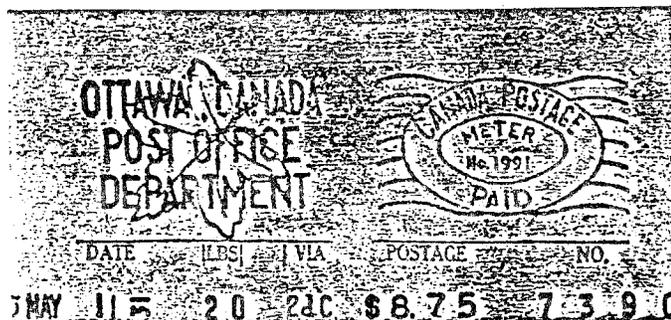
The Ohmer Fare Register Parcel Post meter performed a similiar function as the National Cash Register postage register in recording postage; however, it also indicated the number of parcels in a lot. The first label bore the postage and the other labels just bore the parcel number, up to 20. At this time parcel post represented 40% of the total mail carried, that is, 70 million pieces.

The indicia for three parcels would look like:

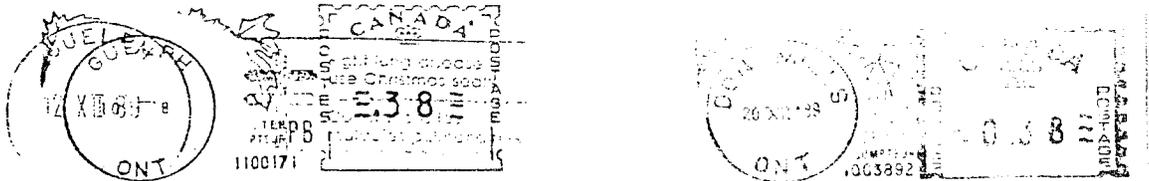
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Ohmer Fare Register Co., Dayton, OH, arraned through their Canadian agent, Canadian Ohmer Ltd., Bleury St. Montreal, to demonstrate their register for the Post Office inspection service on July 15, 1930.

It appears that the register was approved for use in the Post Office Department as of March 13, 1931, and for general use in the Weekly Bulletin of February 27, 1932. The company did not follow up on the approval, presumably due to the downturn in business in the depression. In the meantime, National Cash Register introduced their Model 1900 register which also had provision for providing for parcels in lots. A specimen of the Ohmer Fare Register indicia is shown below.



Shown below is an indicia from an electrically operated Pitney Bowes RMRS Model 6911 Postage meter intended for small volume mailers. The four-bank meter provides for fractional postage to a maximum of \$9.999. There is also provision for gummed tape for parcels and bulky envelopes. Note that the townmark looks smaller but is the same 20 mm as the old style. The rate frame has the same general appearance but has been redesigned. Looks like the serial block starts at 1100001. So, it is nice to have something new to look for.



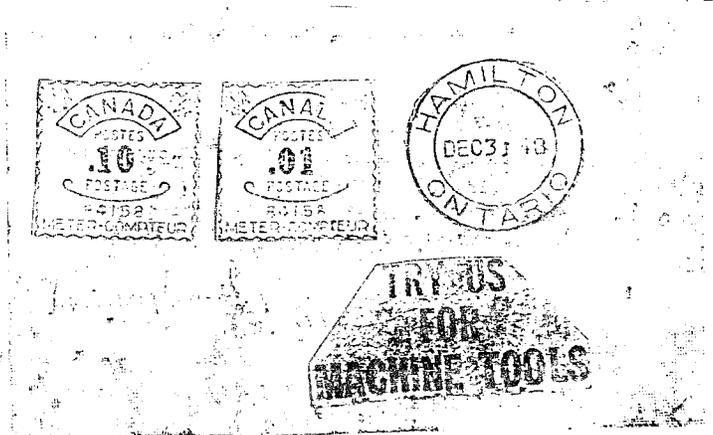
Recycling old postage meters!! Top is Type 11.1 - prov. in full, date MDY, closed 4 in serial number.
 Centre - Date MDY, prov abbreviated, open 4 in serial number
 Bottom - As for centre, except prov in full.

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 TORONTO, ONTARIO

This got through the mail. Someone actually cut out a 10c and 1c meter and town circle. The ad was added and all glued to a piece of cloth. The post office delivered the mail!!!!

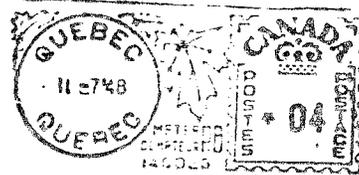


Here is an unlisted Type 11.1 with the date reading MDY. The month is in unserifed Roman numerals. Meter number 140023 was used by La Paquet Co. Ltee, Quebec, Quebec. Notice, I have shown a piece dated in 1941 and a cover dated in February 1948. I have another piece dated MAR 17 '51 so the change in the date die was made in that interval. Also note that the company changed meters in 1952 from 140023 to 146463 which has the serified date. This is certainly a valid variety which will prove to be quite scarce.

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