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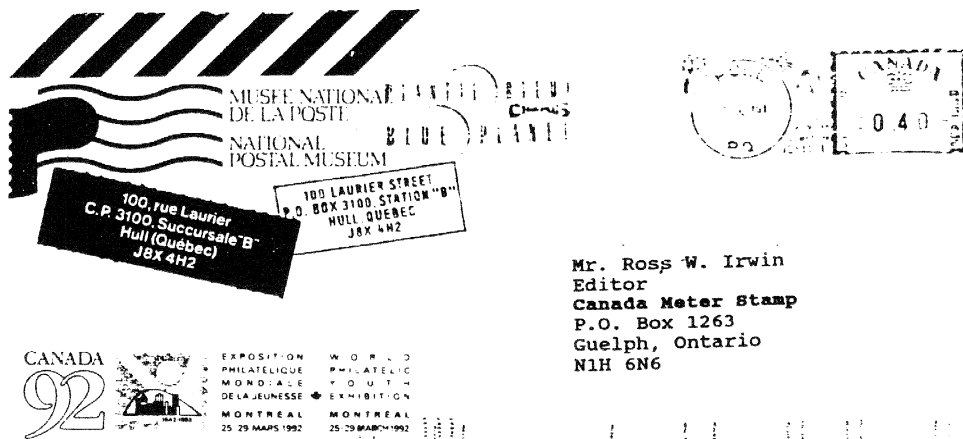
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NEWS

Last issue I stated I was going to catch up with items mailed to me. It did not happen but will with this issue.

Yvon Legris, 49 Crabtree St., Windsor, QC, J1S 1V1, is offering his 1992 Meter Postage Stamps Specialized Catalogue, on 8.5 x 11, 3-holed bond paper. Part 1 includes Types 1 to 15, 1923-1953, at \$10.00 post paid. Part 2 covers Types 16 to 28 and is also \$10.00 when published next June.

The National Postal Museum requested a copy of our Newsletter for inclusion in their History of Philately exhibit which will be shown first in Montreal in March and will then tour the country. A reduced copy of their cover is shown below.

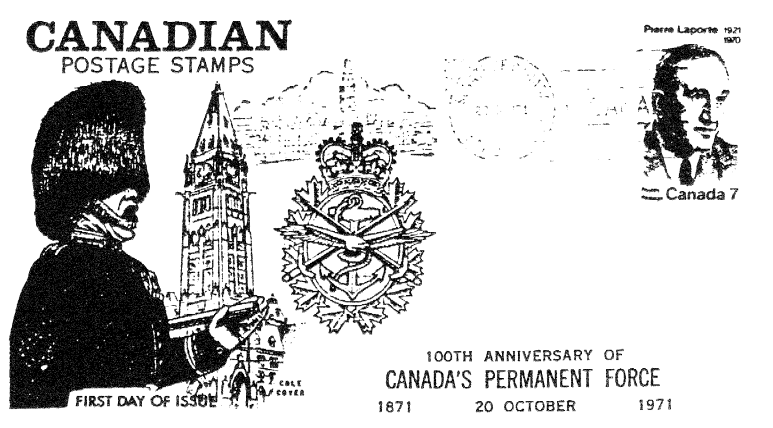


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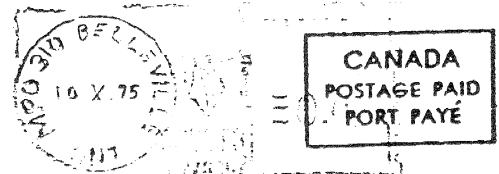
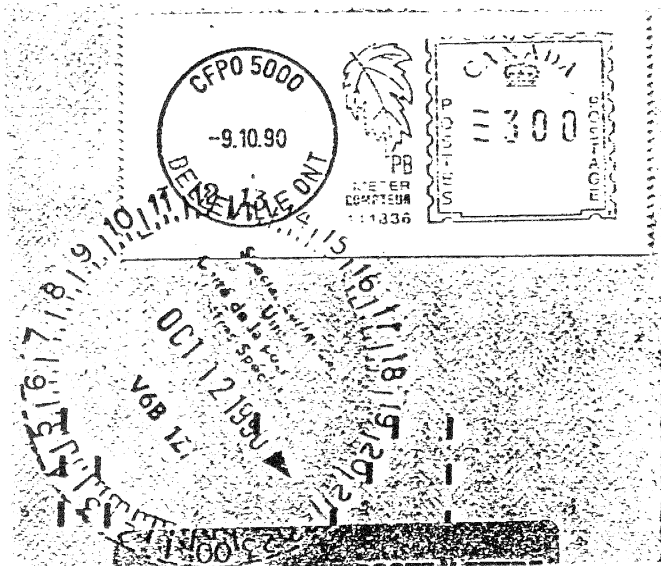
The RMRS postage meter was patented and described in Science and Mechanics, October 1966, page 24. Has anyone access to this journal and can provide a photocopy. It is a brief article but of historic significance.

In September 1949 there were 7,000 postage meters in Canada and 500 Unemployment Insurance meters.

Below is a colourful first day cover bearing the red Senate of Canada print.



At right is a nice item from CFPO 5000 at Belleville, Ont. (Alas, not mine.)
 At left is a Type 23 used in the 1970's.



Lee's Action of January 18, 1992 contained:

Lot 743 NPO 1117 1945
 NPO 1113 1943

Lot 795 Lot of meter military cancels, 1972-87.

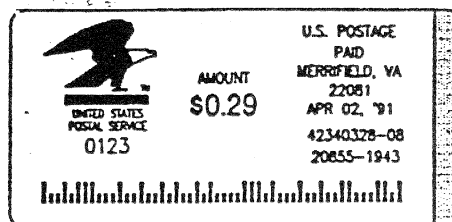
A sign of the times!

USPS to replace 60,000 meters

The USPS Board of Governors has approved a \$34.7 million plan to acquire 60,000 "postage validation imprinters" (PVI) by January 1993, to replace many post office meter machines. The peel-and-stick PVI labels, one style of which is pictured here, include destination barcoding for letters and large envelopes, and automatic sort barcoding for parcels.

The proposed imprinters will interface directly with the "integrated retail terminals" (IRTs) that have become commonplace in post offices throughout the country. The amount of postage calculated by the IRT, as well as the mail class and ZIP Code sorting information, will be printed on the label by the PVI.

The innovation will reduce the number of



steps performed by window clerks and is expected to allow the automated processing of an additional 500 million pieces of mail each year, a USPS press release states.

A contract award for the equipment is expected in June, with PVI installation to begin in January 1992.

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If it were not for hoards philatelists would have little to collect. A good deal of the available metered mail is addressed to a number of drug companies. The letter below explains the source of this material.

HENRY K. WAMPOLE & COMPANY LIMITED

E. L. DANNER,
PRESIDENT
W. C. DANNER,
MANAGING DIRECTOR
D. C. FRASER,
SECRETARY-TREASURER

MANUFACTURING PHARMACISTS

CABLE ADDRESS:
"WAMPOLE" PERTH

PERTH, ONTARIO

May 19, 1955.

Mr. L.M. MacLennan,
176 Locke St. S.,
Hamilton, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

We are sending you a box of envelopes with both stamps and metered mail that have accumulated since we wrote you in March. We hope that you will find these satisfactory.

Attached you will find a First-Day-Cover of the November issue of Prime Ministers stamps. This may be of interest to you, as we are not a stamp collector at the present time.

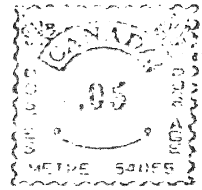
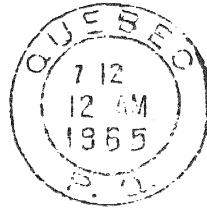
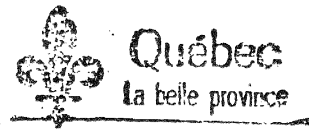
We will keep additional envelopes, and as they accumulate we will forward them to you.

With our kindest regards,

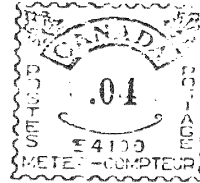
Yours very truly,

J.M. Flett:EF
Enc.

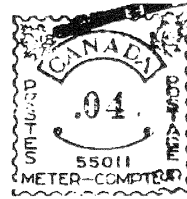
Type 8.1.14 Arabic month on DM (29-10)



Type 8.2.14 Solid square for DM (29-10)



Type 8.3.7 Year only in DM (30-8)

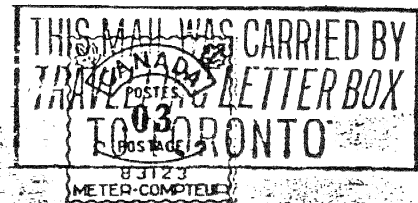


Type 7.6.3 Province in full in TM (28-12)



Ed. also sent an earlier use of a postage meter with the Travelling Letter Box overprint, Feb 23 '39. Ref 30-10.

MARSHALL-ECCLESTONE
LIMITED
HARDWARE - FURNITURE
P. O. Box 710
TIMMINS, ONTARIO



On the next page, courtesy of Ed. Lapham, are a number of real early uses of a slogan on a P3 H meter.

IF NOT DELIVERED IN 5 DAYS
PLEASE RETURN TO
Stock Exchange News
260 ST. JAMES STREET
MONTREAL
RETURN POSTAGE
GUARANTEED



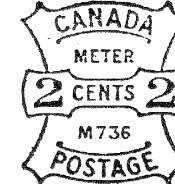
FOR RESULTS — TEL. Q 5500

The Citizen

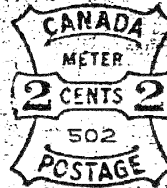
"THE PAPER
WITH THE
CLASSIFIED ADS."



**CO-OPERATION
IN
INSURANCE**



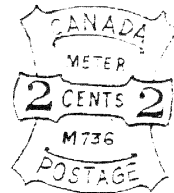
**THE
MIDGET POSTAGE METER**
PRINTS YOUR OWN
ADVERTISEMENT IN
THIS SPACE IF DESIRED



OTTAWA HYDRO-ELECTRIC COMMISSION,
100 BANK STREET, OTTAWA, CANADA.



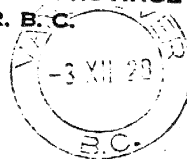
**THE DAILY PROVINCE
WESTERN CANADA'S GREATEST
CLASSIFIED SERVICE**



From
THE JOURNAL
Ottawa Canada
**AD.
HEADQUARTERS**

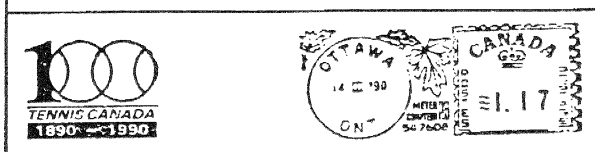


RETURN TO
THE VANCOUVER DAILY PROVINCE
VANCOUVER, B. C.
CLASSIFIED ADS
FOR BUYERS

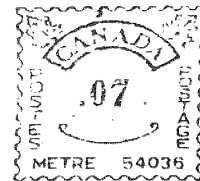
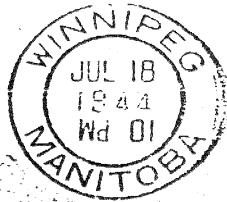
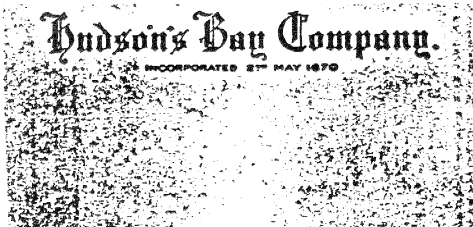


There was no response to the illustration from Santa Claus Village, P.Q. on page 32-3. I assume no one has one.

Anyone for Tennis? Gabe Pustel wants tennis ads like the one below.



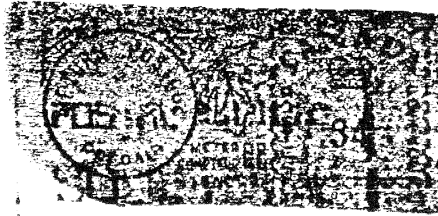
Somewhat common, just shows an operator error with inverted time mark. Air rates in the early 1940's are not common.



On January 16, 1950, the Department of National revenue advised that during the last session of Parliament they allowed the use of postage meter impressions for paying the excise tax on cheques. Prior to this the impression was stated to be an excise meter or excise stamps. We know the practice was not followed.

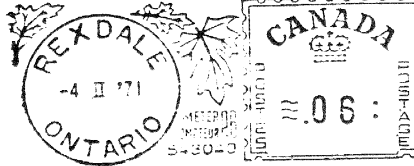
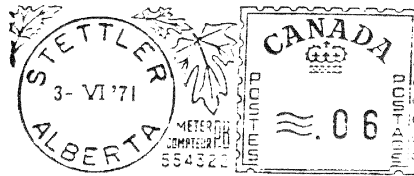
On October 23, 1935, Pitney-Bowes demonstrated three new models to the Post Office Department - AV, FS and J.

A reuse of a "Return Postage Prepaid" cut from a cover and glued to this one. The post office let it through even though it was brown paper on white.

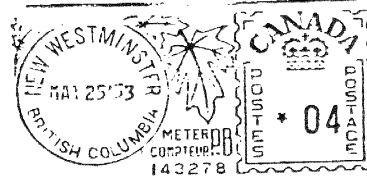


E. D. SMITH
HARVEST OF VALUES
P.O. BOX 4016

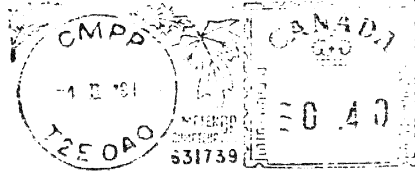
Two interesting postmark ads!



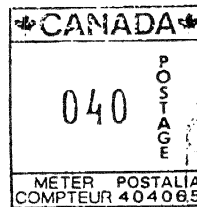
Another interesting postmark ad and two sizes of letter font in the townmark.



Wilf. Whitehouse sends a copy of another unusual item. Postal code T2E 0A0 is right down town in the north-east quadrant. Who can guess what CMPP means? It was mailed at the bulk first-class rate.



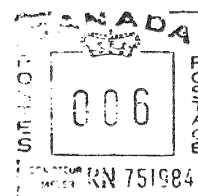
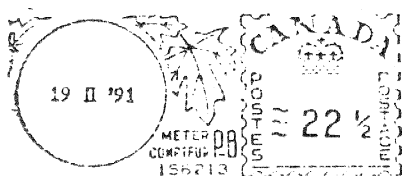
Here is another unrecorded item. It is Postalia 404065 but the period is missing in the value and POSTES has disappeared to the left of the value. One of a kind?



Rob McGuinness sent in a copy of two items. They are dark and will not copy. They are Irwin Type 22.3, a Roneo with broken inner circle townmark. The townmark reads:- POSTAGE DUE / VANCOUVER B.C. The dates are 1980 and 1982. The serial numbers are: 775319 and 775442.

Wilf sent in two other items of interest, shown below. One is Type 18.3 used at Halifax, in which the townmark is blank and it is a fractional rate for bulk mail.

The other is a Roneo meter 751984 with the town mark reading TORONTO AMF, which is the air mail forwarding facility at Pearson Airport.



Ed. Lapham drew to my attention that at page 28-10 I omitted a type which should read: DATE MARK "Also with MDY in letter". He refers to Type 3.1.5 at page 21-7 and Type 3.2.3 at 21-9.

The serial numbers on page 29-1 have been extended by members.

Type 11.2 - 156688, 160650.
Type 11.1.5 - 143370, 144814, 151492, 140300, 140425
Type 11.1.9 - 144412, 151558

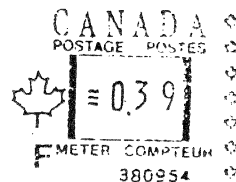
Not listed:
PORT PAYE - RETURN POSTAGE / fancy marks (144186)

Irvine Rosborough sent in a page of oddities. First, a Friden with inverted town mark, also the year 1990 is missing. A corrected impression is also shown. This is meter 380954 of the Frontier School Division No. 48, Winnipeg. Another Friden meter, 381396, with inverted THUNDER BAY ONT., also 1990.

Three Pitney bowes meters with the town, WINNIPEG, off centre. The province is centered. Also shown are two operator errors with incorrect dates. The "32" should be "23", and the "1" should be "90". Irvine also noted some varieties in Type 20 which will be included with that type.

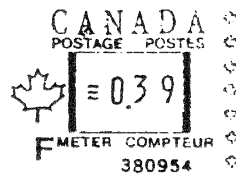
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DIVISION OFFICE
1402 NOTRE DAME AVENUE, WINNIPEG, MANITOBA R3E 3G5



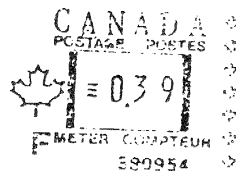
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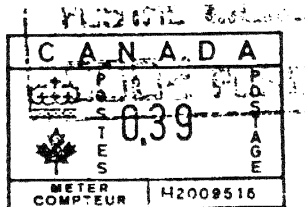
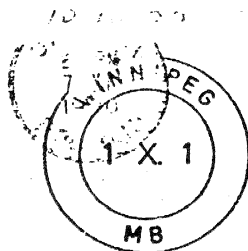
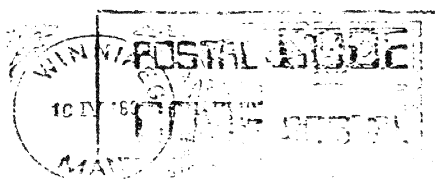
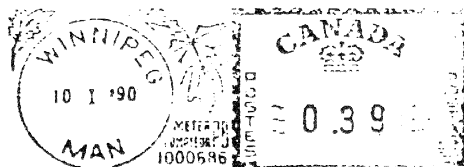
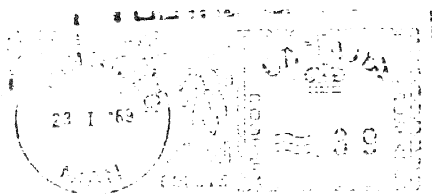


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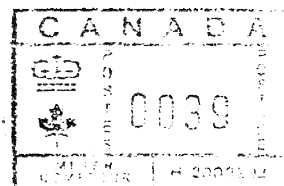
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DIVISION OFFICE
1402 NOTRE DAME AVENUE, WINNIPEG, MANITOBA R3E 3G5



LAKEHEAD FREIGHTWAYS LTD.
P.O. BOX 2639
THUNDER BAY, ONTARIO
P7B 5G1



KODAK CANADA INC. • 3500 Eglinton Avenue West
Toronto, Ontario M6M 1V3



INVENTORY OF TYPE 9 POSTAGE METER USAGE

SERIAL	TOWN MARK	USER	EXAMPLE		
94000	TORONTO	Consolidated Advertising	Jul 30'36	94018	WINDSOR Asperin Nov 14'35
94000	TORONTO	Canadian Kodak	Jun '42	94018	EDMONTON 1937-1940
94001	TORONTO	Crown Life	Mar 31'41	94018	HAMILTON Levy Bros May 13'41
94001	MONTREAL	Bank of Nova Scotia	Jun 21'50	94019	TORONTO Imperial Life Jun 20'38
94002	TORONTO	Colgate Palmolive	May 6'36	94019	HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY Prov of Ontario Feb 28'49
94002	TORONTO	George J McLeod	Feb 22'40	94020	TORONTO Lever Bros Jul 16'37
94002	MONTREAL	Can Fairbanks Morse	Dec 31'46	94020	TORONTO Canadian Packers Feb 3'41
94003	WINDSOR	Ford Motor Co	Apr 17'36	94020	WINNIPEG Can Bank of Commerce Jul 3'45
94003	TORONTO	Can Jewellers Assn	Jan 8'40	94020	TORONTO Confederation Life May 15'46
94003	TORONTO	Can General Finance	Jun 15'42	94021	TORONTO Wrigley's Jun 30'37
94003	TORONTO	Brazilian Traction	Nov 15'49	94021	WINDSOR Ford Motor Co Jul 7'38
94004	TORONTO	Canada Packers	Apr 23'36	94022	HAMILTON Steel Co May 25'37
94004	TORONTO	Copp Clark	Oct 26'36	94022	TORONTO Confederation Life Apr 1'38
94004	VANCOUVER	Imperial Oil	Jul 7'41	94022	TORONTO Synthetic Drug Feb 7'44
94004	VANCOUVER	Gordon Belyea	Jul 27'43	94023	MONTREAL Nov 1'37
94004	MONTREAL		1946	94023	TORONTO Can Kodak May 4'39
94005	TORONTO	United Motors	Nov 20'36	94023	WINDSOR Hiram Walker Apr 29'41
94005	ST CATHARINES	McKinnon Industries	Jun 16'39	94023	WATERLOO Mutual Life Sep 15'41
94005	MONTREAL	Family Herald	Dec 15'48	94023	REGINA Imperial Oil Mar 28'46
94006	TORONTO		1936	94024	TORONTO Colgate Palmolive Jan 13'39
94006	MONTREAL	Dominion Oilcloth	Oct 27'36	94024	TORONTO Toronto Trans. Comm May 9'49
94006	MONTREAL	Bank of Montreal	Apr 16'41	94025	TORONTO F.W. Woolworth Jul 20'37
94006	KITCHENER	Smiles & Chuckles	Sep 15'44	94025	TORONTO Copp Clark Feb 14'46
94006	VANCOUVER		Sep 6'50	94026	TORONTO Gordon Mackey Dec 3'40
94007	MONTREAL	Steel Co	Jun 25'38	94026	HAMILTON Steel Co May 26'49
94007	MONTREAL P.O.	POD	Nov 10'41	94027	TORONTO John C. Winston Nov 7'41
94008	WINDSOR	G.W. Walker	Aug 12'37	94028	TORONTO Bank of Nova Scotia Nov 3'37
94008	TORONTO	Can Kodak	Aug 6'41	94028	TORONTO Canada Packers Jul 10'39
94008	TORONTO	Can General Electric	Sep 21'42	94028	MONTREAL Northern Electric Apr 22'40
94008	VANCOUVER	Bank of Toronto	Jun 24'52	94028	TORONTO P.O. POD Nov 14'42
94009	OTTAWA SUB.P.O.18	Govt of Can	Jul 29'37	94029	MONTREAL Imperial Oil Feb 16'40
94009	OTTAWA	Dept P.P. & S.	Feb 19'43	94029	TORONTO OHMS D.M&S Nov 13'44
94010	MONTREAL	Building Prod Ltd	Jun 17'37	94029	TORONTO National Trust Nov 20'46
94010	MONTREAL	Can. Industries Ltd	Jul 2'41	94030	HAMILTON Imperial Oil Dec 6'37
94010	EDMONTON		1943-1945	94030	MONTREAL PO Box 810 Aug 24'40
94010	MONTREAL	Shell Oil	Dec 7'49	94031	MONTREAL Greenshields-Hodgson Feb 19'40
94011	TORONTO	Can Gen Elec	Jul 13'37	94031	MONTREAL Anglo-Amer Telegraph May 3'40
94011	MONTREAL	CIL	Dec 7'45	94031	MONTREAL Defence Industries CIL May 1'41
94012	TORONTO	Wood Gundy	Nov 30'36	94031	ST CATHARINES McKinnon Industries Nov 19'46
94013	TORONTO	Can Nat Carbon	Dec 1'36	94032	TORONTO Greetings Co Feb 2'40
94013	TORONTO	Laura Secord	Sep 29'39	94032	MONTREAL Greenshields Nov 13'42
94014	TORONTO	Can Nat Carbon	Oct 14'41	94032	WATERLOO Mutual Life Mar 20'42
94015	TORONTO	Imperial Oil	Apr 5'37	94032	HAMILTON Tuckett Tobacco Jun 20'46
94015	QUEBEC	Prov of Quebec	Nov 23'38	94033	TORONTO HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY Mar 2'38
94016	TORONTO	Pugsley & Dingman	Jan 5'36	94033	WATERLOO 1938
94016	MONTREAL	Can Bank of Commerce	Feb 8'43	94933	REGINA 1941
94016	MONTREAL	Canada Packers	Dec 21'48	94033	TORONTO TTC Feb 16'43
94016	EDMONTON	Edmonton Jnl	Aug 11'52	94033	MONTREAL May 21'47
94017	MONTREAL		1936-1939	94034	REGINA Prov. of Sask. Jan 17'41
94017	TORONTO		1938	94034	WINNIPEG Marshall Wells Jul 22'49
94017	VANCOUVER	Daily Province	Mar 27'40	94035	QUEBEC Jan 9'43
94017	WINNIPEG	Can Nat Railway	Sep 16'48	94036	MONTREAL National Trust Jun 28'38
				94037	WATERLOO Mutual Life Mar 21'41
				94037	TORONTO Shell Oil Nov 8'46
				94037	MONTREAL Northern Electric Jun 3'49
				94038	WINNIPEG J.H. Ashdown Apr 4'46

94039 TORONTO	Colgate Palmolive	Apr 1'43	94058 TORONTO	Grolier Society	Feb 20'40
94039 WINDSOR	Bank of Montreal	Sep 12'49	94059 REGINA	Imperial Oil	Oct 16'41
94039 TORONTO P.O.	POD	Dec 19'38	94059 MONTREAL	Family Herald	Jan 23'46
94039 EDMONTON		1941	94060 TORONTO	Great West Life	Jun 12'46
94039 MONTREAL	Imperial Tobacco	1942	94060 TORONTO	Gordon V. Thompson	Jul 24'50
94040 MONTREAL P.O.	POD	Apr 14'39	94061 TORONTO	S.S. Kresge	Dec 18'45
94040 TORONTO P.O.	POD	Jan 7'42	94061 WINDSOR	Bank of Montreal	Jul 3'50
94040 TORONTO	Gordon V. Thompson	May 29'50	94062 WATERLOO		1941-1943
94041 TORONTO	Manufacturers Life	Mar 17'38	94062 SAINT JOHN P.O.	POD	Apr 2'51
94041 TORONTO	Canada Wire & Cable	Jun 1'44	94063 MONTREAL	Banque Can Nat	Jan 31'40
94041 TORONTO	Shell	May 6'47	94063 MONTREAL	Canada Packers	Mar 10'44
94041 VANCOUVER	Dun and Bradstreet	Dec 18'47	94063 MONTREAL	Can Bank Commerce	Jul 12'46
94042 MONTREAL	Can Car & Foundry	May 15'41	94064 TORONTO	Can Mfg Assoc	May 23'46
94042 HAMILTON	Bank of Montreal	Jun 6'44	94065 TORONTO		Jan 22'41
94042 MONTREAL	Kerr Steamships	Nov 2'49	94066 WAWANESA	Wawanesa Mutual	Feb 8'51
94042 MONTREAL	Drug Store	Apr 10'50	94067 OTTAWA P.O.	POD	Dec 30'38
94043 TORONTO	Imperial Oil	Sep 26'39	94068 MONTREAL	Chas E Frosst	Jan --'39
94043 TORONTO	Copp Clark Co	Jul 10'42	94068 MONTREAL	Bell telephone	Nov 16'43
94043 MONTREAL	Can Nat Express	Sep 14'44	94068 VANCOUVER	Daily Province	1945-1947
94043 QUEBEC	B. Houde & Grothe	Apr 20'50	94068 TORONTO	George Hees & Son	Mar 8'47
94044 MONTREAL	Bank of Nova Scotia	May 20'38	94068 TORONTO P.O.	POD	Apr 16'51
94044 MONTREAL	Alex Murray	Nov 2'53	94069 MONTREAL	Dun & Bradstreet	Feb 5'43
94045 TORONTO	HEPC	Sep 25'50	94069 VANCOUVER	Gordon Belyea	Apr 5'44
94046 TORONTO	Imperial Oil	Nov 23'50	94069 OTTAWA		Mar 7'47
94046 TORONTO P.O.	POD	Apr 27'39	94070 WINNIPEG	HBC	Jan 15'47
94046 MONTREAL		1942-1948	94070 MONTREAL	Bank of Montreal	Aug 14'52
94047 MONTREAL P.O.	POD	Dec 29'41	94071 VANCOUVER	Imperial Oil	Feb 28'39
94048 OTTAWA P.O.	POD	Dec 15'37	94071 TORONTO	National Trust	Oct 30'40
94048 TORONTO	Wm B. Rogers	Nov 17'38	94071 VANCOUVER	Daily Province	Jan 19'49
94048 TORONTO	Ind Order Foresters	Apr 10'44	94072 TORONTO	G. Tamblyn	May 3'47
94048 HAMILTON	Firth Bros	Jun 11'49	94073 MONTREAL	Avon	Jul 27'39
94048 TORONTO	Pitney Bowes	Nov 3'48	94073 HAMILTON	Bank of Montreal	Sep 17'48
94049 TORONTO	Loblaw Groceteria	Mar 7'38	94074 TORONTO		Dec 14'38
94049 TORONTO	Can Kodak	Jun 1'38	94074 MONTREAL	Sun Life	Mar 4'40
94049 TORONTO	Underwood Elliott	Mar 6'40	94074 MONTREAL	Northern Electric	Oct 27'44
94049 WATERLOO		1942	94075 HAMILTON	Steel Co	Dec 28'38
94049 TORONTO	Confederation Life	Dec 2'44	94075 MONTREAL	Can Int Paper Co	Oct 27'44
94049 WINNIPEG		1948	94075 HALIFAX	Imperial Oil	Jul 11'47
94050 TORONTO	Confederation Life	Aug 31'42	94075 TORONTO P.O.	POD	Dec 14'49
94050 TORONTO	Church of England	Jun 7'39	94076 TORONTO	National Trust	Mar 1'39
94050 OTTAWA	Dept National Defence	Aug 23'48	94076 HALIFAX	Imperial Oil	Sep 22'42
94051 HAMILTON	Westinghouse	Mar 19'45	94076 OTTAWA	Bank of Canada	Sep 16'46
94051 TORONTO	Westinghouse	Jul 29'46	94077 MONTREAL	Woodhouse Co	May 16'40
94052 HALIFAX	Imperial Oil	Nov 9'38	94077 QUEBEC	Prov Govt	Nov 6'45
94052 TORONTO	Literary Guild	Sep 27'46	94078 VANCOUVER	Imperial Oil	Jul 4'39
94053 TORONTO	Goodyear	Mar 28'38	94078 MONTREAL P.O.	POD	Apr 2'42
94053 MONTREAL	Bell Telephone	Nov 3'38	94078 MONTREAL	Banque Can Nat	Apr 8'48
94053 MONTREAL	F.D. Lamont	Feb 10'42	94079 QUEBEC	Govt of Quebec	May 6'42
94054 TORONTO	Bank of Montreal	Mar 15'38	94079 TORONTO	Banque Can Nationale	Nov 3'52
94054 TORONTO P.O.	POD	Sep 2'52	94080 WINDSOR	Chrysler	Dec 22'39
94055 TORONTO	Dominion Stores	May 16'45	94080 MONTREAL	Greenshields	Aug 25'41
94055 MONTREAL	Northern Electric	Jun 3'47	94080 MONTREAL	Can Int paper Co	Oct 17'46
94056 TORONTO	Massie Renwick	Jan 17'49	94081 TORONTO	Can Postage Meter Co	Mar 1'39
94057 TORONTO	Dominion Pattern	Jun 6'38	94081 TORONTO	Manufacturers Life	Mar 1'46
94057 TORONTO	Canada Metal	Nov 20'45	94082 MONTREAL	Industrial Acceptance	Dec 17'40
94057 TORONTO P.O.	POD	Aug 16'51	94082 MONTREAL	Bell Tel Co	Jun 29'45

94083 HAMILTON		1939	94109 TORONTO	Blakiston Publ.	Jan 26'50
94083 TORONTO	Unique Art Studios	Dec 2'41	94110 TORONTO	General Trust	Jun 24'44
94084 TORONTO	Bank of Toronto	Jan 12'40	94111 HALIFAX	Mahon's Stationery	Apr 30'53
94084 MONTREAL	Can Bank of Commerce	Jan 2'45	94111 TORONTO	Canadian Tire	Jan 13'41
94084 WINNIPEG	Prov of Manitoba	Jan 16'48	94112 MONTREAL		1949
94085 TORONTO	Dun & Bradstreet	Nov 2'45	94113 MONTREAL	Macdonald Tobacco	Dec 26'41
94085 TORONTO	George McLeod	Apr 23'47	94113 MONTREAL	Box 6072	Mar 27'42
94086 TORONTO	Wm Wrigley	May 4'40	94113 EDMONTON		
94087 WINDSOR	Ford Motor	Nov 26'41	94114 MONTREAL	Commercial Letter Service	Nov 10'52
94087 ST CATHARINES	English Electric	Dec 2'48	94114 REGINA	British American Oil	Sep 3'42
94087 HAMILTON	G.W. Robinson	Jun 14'49	94115 MONTREAL	Macdonalds Tobacco	Jan 16'51
94087 TORONTO	Underwood	Aug 23'46	94115 OTTAWA	Bank of Canada	Jan 2'41
94088 WINNIPEG	Marshall Wells	May 23'40	94116 TORONTO	Planters Peanuts	Mar 13'40
94088 REGINA	Marshall Wells	Jul 24'47	94116 WINNIPEG		
94089 TORONTO	Canada Life	Jun 1'45	94116 EDMONTON		
94090 TORONTO	Remington Rand	Jul 20'39	94117 TORONTO	HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY	Nov 2'45
94090 CHATHAM	Chrysler	Jul 22'48	94118 TORONTO	Can Jeweller Assoc	May 16'40
94091 MONTREAL	Canada Packers	Dec 8'42	94118 EDMONTON	Govt of Alberta	Aug 22'46
94091 MONTREAL	Dun & Bradstreet	Nov 8'46	94119 WINDSOR	Chrysler	Apr 25'41
94092 MONTREAL	Can Nat Express	Nov 8'40	94119 TRURO P.O.	POD	Jun 17'48
94092 MONTREAL	Bell Telephone	Oct 12'44	94120		
94093 MONTREAL	Family Herald	Nov 24'39	94121 HALIFAX	Prov Govt	Apr 25'40
94094 TORONTO		May 5'41	94121 WINNIPEG	Govt of Manitoba	Apr 18'44
94094 MONTREAL	Imperial Oil	Jun 4'42	94121 MONTREAL	Bell Telephone	Jun 10'47
94094 MONTREAL	Greenshields	Mar 31'44	94122 VANCOUVER	Vancouver Daily Prov.	Jun 6'44
94095 REGINA	Govt of Sask.	Sep 18'45	94122 TORONTO	Gray Coach - TTC	May 7'42
94096 TORONTO	Ind. Accident Assn	Jun 11'40	94122 MONTREAL	Can Nat Steamships	Mar 3'47
94097 WINNIPEG		1939	94123 MONTREAL	Northern Electric	Dec 2'40
94097 TORONTO	Gordon V. Thompson	Oct 9'40	94123 MONTREAL	Bell Telephone	Sep 6'44
94097 HAMILTON	Imperial Tobacco	Dec 12'41	94124 TORONTO	George J. McLeod	Dec 8'43
94097 VANCOUVER	Gordon and Belyea	Jul 22'47	94124 VANCOUVER	Dun & Bradstreet	Apr 28'47
94098 TORONTO	J. Biddle	Aug 13'40	94125 TORONTO	T. Eaton	Sep 7'44
94099 TORONTO	Geo H. Hees	May 3'45	94125 MONTREAL	Bank of Montreal	Mar --'41
94100 TORONTO		May 6'47	94126		
94101 TORONTO	Canada packers	Jun 9'40	94127		
94101 FORT WILLIAM	Canadian Car & Fdy	Mar 16'48	94128		
94102 MONTREAL	Scott Clothing	May 26'48	94129 TORONTO	Can Red Cross	Jun 28'41
94103 HAMILTON	Wood, Alexander	Jul 18'49			
94103 TORONTO	Can Cancer Soc	May 8'50			
94103 WINNIPEG	Macdonalds Farm Supply	Aug 22'44			
94103 KITCHENER		1949			
94104 MONTREAL	Cockfield, Brown	Jun 20'44			
94104 TORONTO	Kass Bros	Nov 5'52			
94105 OTTAWA	Govt of Can (Fin)	Sep 9'42			
94105 BARRIE		1949			
94106 MONTREAL	Bank of Montreal	Jan 19'40			
94107 TORONTO	Can Red Cross	Feb 25'42			
94107 VANCOUVER	Can Fairbank Morse	Jul 13'50			
94108 HAMILTON	Box 540	Nov 20'39			
94108 MONTREAL	Can Fairbanks Morse	Mar 2'40			
94108 HAMILTON		Nov 23'39			
94108 WINDSOR	Hiram Walker	Dec 9'46			
94108 MONTREAL	Sun Life	Jun 14'50			
94109 TORONTO	Campana	Dec 3'39			
94109 TORONTO	Shell Oil	May 28'41			
94109 WINDSOR	G.W. Walker	Apr 5'46			

Thanks to several members I can present an update of Type 9 (31-13). Some of the serial numbers are obviously used by a mass mailing company as several company names occur for the same city within a short period of time. I usually list it once but some others may have crept into the list.

Ed Lapham pointed out that 94080 had a very large star in 1946 (9.3.4) but the original meter had a smaller star and lighter figures as the basic 9.3.

Also 9.3.10, the very large 94071 originally had the basic serial number. Ed wonders if it were repaired locally in Vancouver.

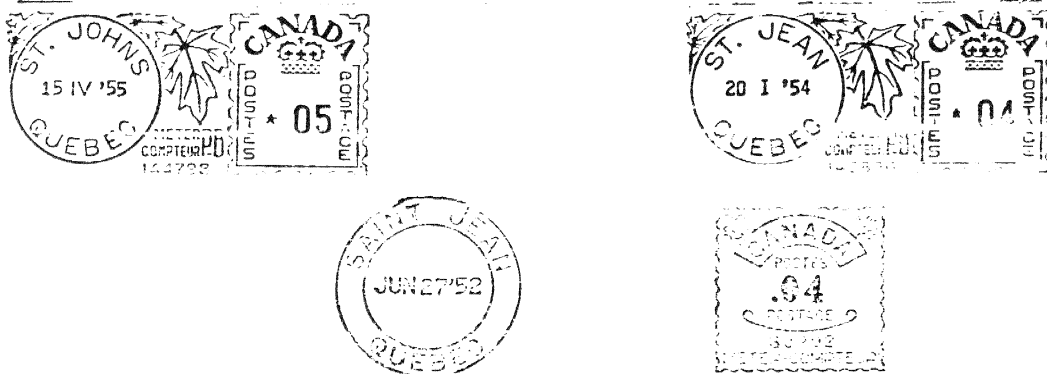
Uncut date type exists in both 9.2 (94003) and 9.3 (94079, 94107). It is a production flaw and is questionable whether it should be catalogued. I do so just to show it exists.

Meter 94091 (1947) and 94122 (1944) has the townmark inverted.

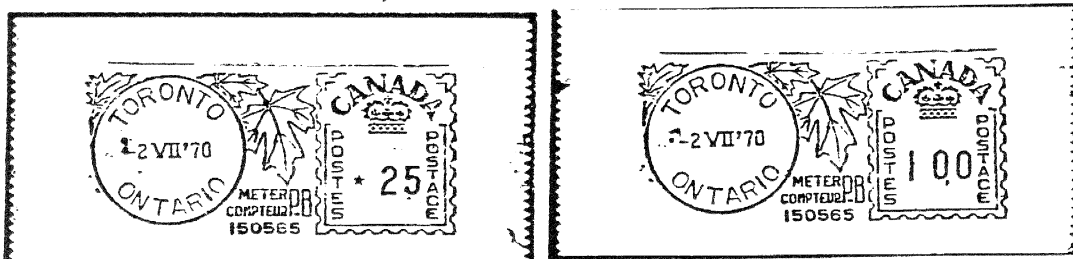
Ed also reminded me that blue ink was used for the first flight covers of March 1, 1939. There were 6 - I omitted the Toronto - Winnipeg flight.

Blue ink was also used with 94024, 94037, 94055, 94074 and 94122. Green was also used with 94020, 94037, 94061, 94072 and 94110. Purple ink was used with 94024, 94061 and 94125.

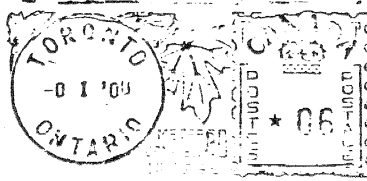
Three examples of townmark from the same community in Quebec.



Just for the record, a Pitney Bowes Model R showing how the \$1.00 value replaces the star on the same meter, 150565.



This is a poorly printed example of a Pitney-Bowes Model R (143298) but note the datemark - 01'00, sort of unusual.



Below are examples of forms of mailing, special delivery, registered, special lettermail, etc. Nixdorf labels are usually used on this type of mail.

100 Ave. W.
1B4

REGISTERED

RECOMMANDÉ

CANADA
90.04.19 000.89
LAWRENCE
0379121 N 3000024

SECURITY
R
SECURITE

Mr. JIM ROGERS
7 WATER ST.
SALEM, ONT.
NOB 150

Insufficient

39 ✓
50
89

6

4.70
.63
5.33

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FINAL NOTICE
RETURN TO
RECEIVER

Sellers
Notice
Nov 8/91
MZ
WJ

KALAMAZOO MI. 490 PM 01/23/92

routing and time

Ross W Irwin 003740
14 Tamarack Place
Guelph ON CANADA
N1E 3Y6

restive
Fog Ltd

C.S. Co-op
400 Albert St.
Ottawa
K1R 5B2

Special Delivery Express

CANADA
91.09.27 003.05
VANCOUVER - B. C.
0017902 N 3000374

2.65
.40
3.05 ✓

Will you please check your inventory of Postalia against the list on page 32-11 and send me the new numbers, or more complete information. Ed Lapham sent in two pages of additions and I only want to repeat the list once more.

Wilf Whitehouse sent in corrections to the Nixdorf labels on page 32-4. Please amend your list.

0361518	N3000104	NORTH YORK, ONT.	spelling
0232319	N3000127	LAVAL, P.Q.	Place Vilamont
0655198	N3000161	KELOWNA, B.C.	Towne Centre new RC#
0592021	N3000185	CALGARY, ALBERTA	Bowness
	212	NEPEAN	read Crystal Beach Postal Outlet
	213	REGINA	add Cornwall Centre Postal Outlet
	254	CHATEAUGUAY	add Centre Chateauguay P.O.
	286	RICHMOND	spelling
	302	VANCOUVER	add changed to Hillcrest P.O. 2/7/90
0027383	N3000386	LONDON, ONTARIO	Oxbury
0057916	N3000390	EDMONTON, AB	Bonnie Doon
020982	N5000001	VANCOUVER, B.C.	Centre Point Mall
	N5000007		cancel, see N5-16 & 17
016837	N5000031	SURREY, B.C.	Bear Creek
027472	N5000032	TORONTO, ON	Belmont
028398	N5000040	VANCOUVER, BC	Oakridge
028398	N5000041	VANCOUVER, BC	Oakridge
027308	N5000049	AGINCOURT, ON	Woodside Square
026778	N5000062	BURNABY, B.C.	Brentwood
631663	N5000065		Langford
054909	N5000071	SCARBOROUGH, ON	Cedar Heights
056456	N5000094	OAKVILLE, ON	Central Oakville
015709	N5000095	BRAMPTON, ON.	Bramalea Woods
026573	N5000104	MISSISSAUGA, ON.	Lakeshore
059471	N5000110	SURREY, B.C.	Cedar Hills
057347	N5000117	QUEBEC, P.Q.	DePanneur Na Boustifaille
057169	N5000118	ORLEANS, ON	Convent Glen
056707	N5000119		Westgate
056707	N5000119	ORLEANS, ON	Westgate (prov abbr)
656666	N5000122	RICHMOND, B.C.	Broadmoor
210897	N5000123	MONTREAL, P.Q.	Place Victoria (was N3-78)
059366	N5000130	OSHAWA, ON	
058467	N5000152	LANGLEY, B.C.	Brookwood
059714	N5000153	TORONTO, ON	
059846	N5000156	WHITE ROCK, B.C.	Hillcrest
062847	N5000168	EDMONTON, AB	Kingsway Mall
021121	N5000178	TORONTO, ON	Jane Park Plaza
067970	N5000192	EDMONTON, AB	Londonderry
015822	N5000193	EDMONTON, AB	Meadowlark
063290	N5000227	EDMONTON, AB	Kensington
026743	N5000247	EDMONTON, AB	Ottewell

Is there any interest in my making a list of files concerning postage meters which would only be accessible if you make a trip to the National Archives, Ottawa? I have the Finding Aid which describes in general the subject of each file. Many files were destroyed or combined with others. Let me know.

The letter, in response to criticism, explains why "lettermail" replaced the "first-class" category. Interesting!

Canada Post a 'domestic success story'

This letter is about fairness, or the lack of it in the Focus article Second-class Mail (Oct. 26) and a subsequent editorial (Mediation, Legislation: How About Competition? — Oct. 29).

The "Report Card" in the article contains some misleading information. With respect to the service standards of two, three and four days, they are a result of recommendations of the Marchment Committee report of 1985. Canadians were asked if they preferred a standard of reliability or speed — they chose reliability. A survey of customers indicated that 82 per cent felt that the standards were acceptable. Canada Post delivers lettermail against these standards consistently about 98 per cent of the time. To achieve this high level of service, the majority of the mail is delivered one day ahead of standard. The standard for mail between Montreal and Toronto is three business days. In fact, mail between the two cities is delivered within two days about 92 per cent of the time.

The article criticizes Canada Post's accounting procedures. Since incorporation, auditing of Canada Post's books has been provided by joint auditors — most recently, Arthur Andersen and Co. and the Auditor-General of Canada. Both have satisfied themselves that Canada Post's financial statements are fairly presented.

The article says first-class mail was renamed "lettermail" when it was decided that "first class" could no longer accurately describe the service. In fact, it wasn't that the letter was no longer "first class," but to remove the second-, third- and fourth-class labels from publications, admail and parcels which are also "first class" products.

The story alludes to the fact that the full unexpurgated corporate plan for Canada Post is secret. It would be difficult to find any company that divulges fully its internal business for its competition to view. Unlike most other commercial undertakings however, Canada Post does provide a summary of its corporate plan for public consumption.

The reference to TNT Express Worldwide as "nibbling at Canada Post's coveted first-class international business mail" is baffling. Canada Post set the stage for a worldwide joint venture with TNT and four other postal administrations earlier this year. This arrangement will provide for an international courier and express parcel organization offering international time-certain deliveries on a worldwide scale.

An interesting comparison is made between Canada Post and the United States Postal Service. I would like to draw attention to an item that appeared in the American publication, Business Mailers

Review, comparing the two administrations. It says, "Canada Post could teach us how to run a more business-like mail service. It has done a better job than its U.S. counterpart in controlling labour costs. Canada's lesson to the United States: In a competitive world, a mail service shouldn't also carry political baggage. Insulated from politicians, Canada Post is run like a national corporation."

Professor Douglas Adie of Ohio University is quoted as saying that "Canada Post serves its own interest to the detriment of its customers when it escalates costs." The fact is that from January, 1982, to January, 1991, the price of the basic letter rate has risen 33 per cent while the rate of inflation over the same period has risen 57 per cent.

Since the first complete year after incorporation (1982 '83), total mail volumes have increased by 38 per cent, mail processing efficiency is up by 31 per cent, letter carrier efficiency, increased 15 per cent, and absenteeism has been reduced by 32 per cent.

Canada Post is a respected leader in postal technology and administration around the world. Canadians, of course, will be the last to know this because of our penchant for denying domestic success stories.

W. T. Kennedy, Group Vice-President
Canada Post Corp., Ottawa

