Canadian Meter Stamp Newsletter

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EDITOR'S NOTES

In case anyone is so rash as to write a contribution to the Newsletter, please note the change in address for both the Editor and Associate Editor. Canada Post has driven both of us out of their mail boxes when they closed the main post office in each town. After 30 years in a house I had to move and it a sole-searching experience to toss out the considered to be valuable mass of material. Anyway the deed is done.

This issue is being written in the mid of my move. It is a collection of minor items that have accumulated over time. I think many of them have some interest.

The current issue of the BNAPS Journal has an article on several areas of collecting off the mainstream. Postage meters are mentioned; however, they stress and area which we tend to ignore. That is the collection of postage meters to show rates of postage and how it was used. Meters are an excellent way of building a rate collection. I will discuss this later in this issue.

The Canadian Philatelist, January 1993, p. 71, gives an analysis of the types of cancels found on 6,000 Nova Scotia covers from June and July 1992. Of the 3,109 covers covered in the survey 1065, or 34 percent, bore meter impressions. Of those that carried stamps only 15 percent were commemorative issues.

Some more towns that recently came my way, I think some have been reported before but here they are anyway:-

LOWER SACKVILLE NS 886871 TIGNISH P.E.I. 335030 ELMSDALE PEI 812840 SHAG HARBOUR NS 852708 MIDDLE WEST PUBNICO NS 563226 INVERNESS NS 1051623 O'LEARY P.E.I. 335311 MINTO NB 834019 CATALINA NFLD 858204 MORINVILLE ALTA 2002209 The Pitney Bowes Paragon postage meter, with MAIL>POSTE, is showing up quite frequently. Many companies have invested big bucks in this system. I have not seen anything I can call a variety yet. Keep this new meter in mind and send in what you discover.

Meters that I have saved from the garbage are as follows, all large companies or government. Can you add to the list.

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	HALIFAX NS FREDERICTON NB	NS DEPT OF EDUCATION Province of New Brunswick
200082	TORONTO ONT	Royal Trust
200170	OTTAWA ONT	Agriculture Canada
200183	TORONTO ONT	Ministry of Transportation

Fortune Magazine, Oct. 19, 1992 describes the new system.

New postage meter does it all

The latest postage meter rolling off the Pitney Bowes assembly line in Shelton, Connecticut, is not only crammed with high-tech features, it also represents a major shift for the company.

Introduced in July, the Paragon mail processor seals letters by spraying a thin jet of water on the glued edge of the envelope, weighs the letter in milliseconds, prints on the appropriate postage and shoots the envelope out of the machine at a rate of 240 pieces per minute. The Paragon uses three kind of microprocessors and its development resulted in 75 new patents.

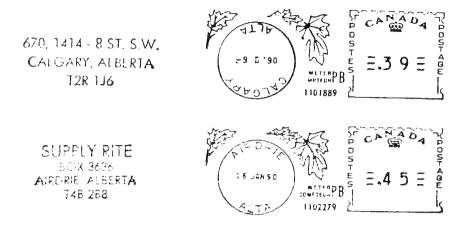
Pitney Bowes CEO George Harvey says the Paragon represents a major transformation for the firm from a stodgy office supply company to a sophisticated high-tech manufacturer. Harvey began the swing to high tech in 1985 when the company faced stiff competition for the first time in its bread-and-butter postage meter business. Postage meters and related equipment account for 50 per cent of sales and profits. The company also sells fax machines, copiers and dictating machines.

At \$20,000 U.S. each, the Paragon is being billed as a laborsaving device. Pitney Bowes estimates the machine can save three worker-hours of mail sorting per day for the average mailroom. The machine is expected to generate \$100 million in revenues during the next year.

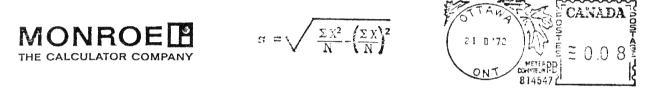
Fortune, Oct. 19, 1992



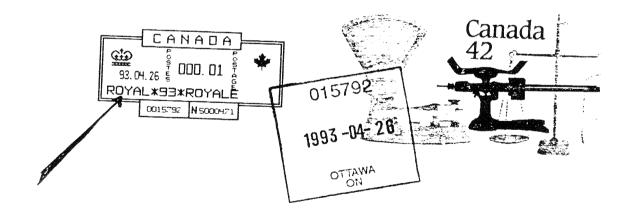
Wilf Whitehouse seems to find interesting items. Below are two of the small Pitney Bowes meters, one with the townmark inverted, and the other with the date mark in text script. Wilf also included a Roneo meter with the larger style of serial number.



Below is an interesting postal advertisement. The standard deviation of a population!



Rich Toop sent some Nixdorf labels used at the recent Royal*93*Royale in Ottawa. The machine used was already installed at an Ottawa franchise at 112 Kent. St, courtesy of Canada Post. The slogan in the label was in used from April 26 to April 30, 1993. Rich thinks there will be more of this type of material generated for stamp shows. I wonder who is authorized to mess around with the software?



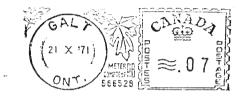
Below is a 1967 Centennial slogan still in use in 1970.



A very interesting 1967 Centennial cover from the City of Regina.



Broken inner circle? Just a poor adjustment of the datemark wheels.



A tape with the extra townmark from a second cancel.



A Special Delivery cover but the townmark did not print, just the datemark.



Buy an IMS/Hasler

Mailing Machine

at INS and cut

your mailing

costs in half.



SAVE UP TO 50% ON MAILING COSTS

Swiss-made precision, value and performance in a top quality mailing

machine are yours with IMS/Hasler. The independent consumer guide "What to buy for business" rates the IMS/Hasler mailing machines as 3 of the top 4 selections. Independent research shows 8 out of 10 prefer the IMS/Hasler.

Check out our competition. Ask the people in your mailroom about your present postage meter. Are you experiencing delays
caused by nesting envelopes

prior to feed? Have you lost time while double checking for secure envelope sealing? Are you frustrated by ink spills or downtime caused by jammed meter tape?

If you have experienced any of these problems, then contact Arnie Radford and let him show

you why the IMS Hasler is absolutely, positively a superior postage meter.

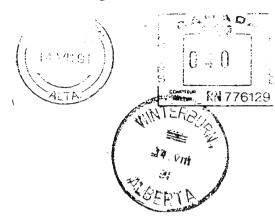
IMS/Hasler

INS, superior quality products for over 22 years

Item submitted by Wilf Whitehouse - Roneo with larger serial numerals.



TRANSALTA UTILITIES CUSTOMER ACCOUNTING BOX 2444, STN. M CALGARY, ALBERTA



This Type 8 meter was run through twice for some reason.





This indicia was used to mail out Brian Mulroneys family photograph. Note the rate.



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Canadian High Commission
P.O. Box 10990,
50732 Kuala Lumpur.
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The Honourable Minister William McKnight Minister of Agriculture Ministry of Agriculture Canada These Pitney Bowes indicia shows the day in the datemark did not completely lock in place. We have the top of one die and the bottom of another one.

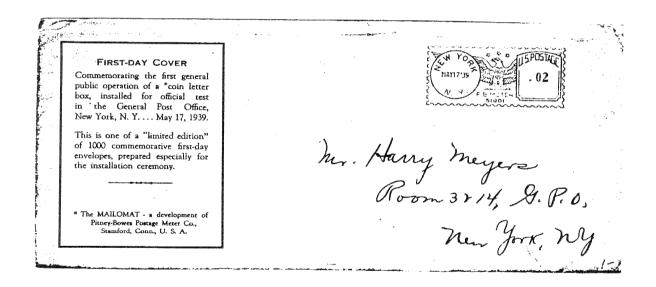




What happened here? It appears they rubber stamped the date on an indicia which did not print the date. What did 12¢ pay as a rate in 1977?

ROTARY CLUB OF OTTAWA
CHATEAU LAURIER HOTEL
OTTAWA, ONTARIO K1N 857





ADDITIONS TO THE CANADA TOWN LIST

AB CALAHOO

BC BAMFIELD
BLIND BAY
CULTUS LAKE
PENDER ISLAND
SOUTH SLOCAN

MB BALDUR OAKBANK

NB QUISPAMSIS STE-ANNE-DE-KENT NS CAMBRIDGE STATION
CHETICAMP
KENNETCOOK
MIDDLE
MUSQUODOBOIT
MUSQUODOBOIT
HARBOUR
NEWPORT
STEWIACKE

ON ALGOMA MILLS
BARRHAVEN
DESBORO
DWIGHT
GLENBURNIE
LORETTO
MALLORYTOWN
MATTICE
PAISLEY
QUEENSVILLE
WOODVILLE

TANTALLON

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NOTES TO CANADA TOWN LIST:

a Reported with both the listed spelling and an error, TECHUMSE.

Please report any new Canada towns to:
Alan Draves, P.O. Box 2009, Cridersville OH 45806.

Please include the EXACT spelling of town as shown in the town circle, and meter number (if legible) in all reports.

The Canada Town List is available from Alan Draves, P.O. Box 2009, Cridersville, OH 45806. The price is \$1.50 U.S. (\$2.00 Canadian), postpaid

Statistics on the Use of Postage Meters in Canada from the National Archives RG 3 file 13-1-5

POSTAGE METERS IN USE IN CANADA

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Newfoundland became a province of Canada March 31, 1949. There were 10 postage meters in the province on May 31 and 35 on June 30, 1949. The above figures are for the year ends.

The "spray-on" postal routing information has been used in the USA for a couple of years. It means that metered mail must now be run through the sorting machines which was not the case previously. The first cover was posted at St Joseph MI and was processed at Kalamazoo for delivery to Canada.



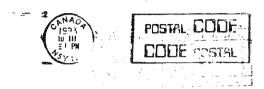
Similar equipment is used in Canada. This one is the Toronto South Letter Processing Plant. The <<<<>>>> are for cancelling the stamps.



MLOCR054 TSCLPP M4L3T0 FEB\03 20:15:41 ((\(\cappa(\chinx)\)))))

As I mentioned above, a lot of the metered mail now goes through the sorting system and we get a spoiled indicia. I have started to collect the cancelling machine indicia and am missing many of the early items - early means 1980. Notice the cancel has the postal code and a sorting machine number "2" at 11:00 o'clock. There is also a time mark in the datemark which I don't bother with. Many of the earlier sorting plants have been closed and specimens are hard to find.

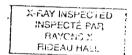
Ontario Farmer Publications
P.O. Box 7400, Station E.
London, Ontario N5Y 4X3



What happened with the rate on this Minnedosa indicia? It must have bounced when the cover was first fed into the machine as the balance of the indicia is clear.



Here is another example of inspected mail at Government House (Rideau Hall) in Ottawa. Both the Rideau Hall and House of Commons indicia are dated Feb 12, 1993.









K. Campbell Dalglish was President of Pitney-Bowes Canada from 1953 to 1967. When he retired in 1967 to his farm "Cambrook Farm" at Grafton the company presented him with the original Desk Model (Type 14) postage meter for his personal use. Note that this meter was originally a Type 13 and the serial number is of the more recent type with closed "4" and smaller oval numerals. It was the only postage meter at Grafton for several years.





My home village - Oakwood! Hogg & Lytle Ltd were seed merchants from 1886. They acquired a Type 11 postage meter (144244) with OAKWOOD town mark. The postmark ad reads LAWN AND GARDEN MAY FESTIVAL with the Canada Centennial logo 1867-1967 in the centre. It was convenient to have the meter set at the larger LINDSAY post office so the cover shows that town but the Oakwood return address. The Township of Mariposa obtained a Hasler meter about 1989 so this is the second meter for this village.

HOGG & LYTLE SEEDS

DIVISION OF MAPLE LEAF MILLS LIMITED OAKWOOD, ONTARIO, CANADA



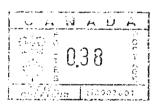
RETURN TO CAKWOOD, ONTARIO KOM 2MO





TOWNSTEP OF MARIPOUA BOX 70 OAKWOOD, CHTARIO KOM 200





PAMOUR and SOUTH PORCUPINE were gold mining towns in Northern Ontario. When the mines closed the towns more or less disappeared.



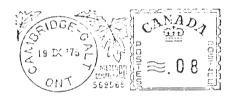




RIVER CANARD, or Wolf River, is in Essex County near Windsor. Locals call the place River Can-or.



When the Region of Waterloo was formed the three existing small towns of Galt, Preston and Hespeler in south Waterloo were joined to form a single city. The name Cambridge was chosen as the city name. Apparently this name had some historical connection to the area. Shown here are some transitional town marks and the final townmark.









William James was President of the Algoma Iron Ore Company. They renamed the town of WAWA to JAMESTOWN in his honour. WAWA was the port for shipping of the ore. The local residents raised a major fuss and after a brief use the JAMESTOWN town mark was replaced by WAWA. It would be nice to bracket this change in names.



Sub-post offices usually have the major town first in the title. Here we have the reverse as BILLINGS BRIDGE (OTTAWA). This cancel is not common.



For those interested, An Introduction to US Railroad Postage Meter Slogans has been released by Howard L. Lucas at POB 532, Manassas, VA., 22110. Evenings at 703-680-9502.

CANADIAN POSTAL ARCHIVES RELOCATES

Ottawa - The National Archives of Canada announces that the Canadian Postal Archives, formerly situated at 365 Laurier Street West, Ottawa, has been relocated to the West Memorial Building, 344 Wellington Street, Ottawa, across from the main National Archives building.

This move conforms with the National Archives' policy of facilitating access to its collections by consolidating them in one location, thereby improving its reference and research services. There will no longer be a permanent philatelic exhibit; instead, items from the Canadian Postal Archives will be incorporated in the National Archives thematic exhibitions.

Services at the Canadian Postal Archives, including inter-institutional loans, are suspended until April 14, to allow for the installation of the collections in the new location.

The new mailing address is:

National Archives of Canada Canadian Postal Archives Section 395 Wellington Street Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0N3

Service will be provided between 8:30 a.m. and 4:45 p.m.





ADDITIONS AND CHANGES TO THE "NIXDORF POSTAGE LABELS" LISTINGS dated 18 September 1992 in "Newsletter No 36" incorporating the amendments

Print-out date: 1993 07 08

Note: "P..G.." on the receipt imprint is printed out in full as "POSTAL OUTLET"
"C..p.." on the receipt imprint is printed out in full as "COMPTOIR POSTAL"
"<>" = an "NS"-size label with an "N3" or "N4" number

	ON/ L6V 4A0 ON/ L4M 5A0 16 3G0 ON/ L7G 4B0 17 3G0 ON/ L7E 2B0 ON/ L7E 2B0 ON/ L7E 2B0
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	0020966	NS	Hamilton	JAMESVILLE PO/ 308 JAMES STREET NORTH/ HAMILTON	ON/ LBL 130
Thange???	27	(Label	printer has been broken f	(Label printer has been broken for a year and the manager seems to have no intention to have it repaired)	have it repaired)

The foregoing corrections to the September 1992 Nixdorf list has been compiled by Norbert must hold over to the next Newsletter. One interesting point is the laser labels fade > We may not have a hobby in a few years unless we photocopy the label???? Krommer based on actual labels and receipts. He also supplied additional information which I