

CORRECTION—POSTAL BULLETIN

Page 1 of POSTAL BULLETIN No. 19106, Tuesday, February 17, was incorrectly printed with wrong year in date line. Correct date to read February 17, 1948.

INSTRUCTIONS OF SECOND ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL

INTERNATIONAL MAILS

Treatment of "Paquebot" Mail at Post Offices

It has been brought to the attention of the Department that a need exists for a uniform practice in the treatment by postmasters of "paquebot" correspondence (mail bearing foreign postage and received from vessels outside of regular dispatches).

The Universal Postal Union Convention provides for the acceptance at post offices under certain conditions of correspondence bearing foreign postage, if it has originated on board a vessel while on the high seas or in a foreign port. In order to be accepted as "paquebot" mail, such correspondence must be delivered to the post office at the port of arrival of the vessel in the United States. The delivery is made by an officer or representative of the steamship company, who brings the correspondence to the post office with a statement (written or oral) by which the postmaster (or his representative) is satisfied that the correspondence originated on the vessel under the prescribed conditions. If the foreign postage stamps have not already been canceled by a postal agent or officer on board the vessel, they are then canceled by the United States post office with a "paquebot" postmark or with the regular postmark; in the latter case the word "Paquebot" is placed on the envelope with ink or with a rubber stamp. No further payment of postage is required, assuming that the article bears postage as indicated below.

A "paquebot" letter, if mailed on the high seas, must be prepaid by means of the postage stamps and according to the postage rates of the foreign country which owns or maintains the vessel on which it was mailed. If mailed in a foreign port, it must be prepaid by means of the stamps and according to the postage rates of the country where the port is located.

An article mailed on board a vessel of United States registry on the high seas, or on board *any* vessel in a United States port, must be prepaid with United States postage. Such articles when brought to a United States post office are not treated as "paquebot" letters, but as regular domestic mail.

The following are examples of articles *not* entitled to receive "paquebot" markings at United States post offices:

Articles not bearing valid postage of a foreign country as indicated above.

Articles mailed in a letter box or letter drop.

Articles mailed at inland post offices.

Articles originating on board a vessel of foreign registry during its stay at a United States port.

Articles originating on board a vessel of United States registry on the high seas or in a United States port.

Numerous and varied irregularities have resulted from the furnishing, by certain collectors of "paquebot" covers, of covering envelopes to be used by officers of vessels in conveying philatelic covers from a vessel to the post office at the port of arrival, or for mailing them to another post office to receive "paquebot" markings. Sometimes these covering envelopes bear such endorsements as "Free," "No further postage required," or "Paquebot mail." Such articles are not entitled to free postage. "Paquebot" articles are not to be postmarked at a post office other than that of the port of arrival of the conveying vessel.

Should a covering envelope which has obviously been supplied by a collector be received at a post office without explanation from a representative of the steamship company, it should be opened. However, the philatelic cover, or covers, enclosed therein should not be postmarked, but should be sent to the Deputy Second Assistant Postmaster General, International Postal Service, with explanation of the circumstances, for appropriate disposal.

Postmasters at port post offices may obtain postmarking stamps containing the word "paquebot" by requisition, if the volume of such mail received justified their use.

AIR POSTAL TRANSPORT

A. M. 55 and A. M. 75

Effective on or about March 15, 1948, air-mail service will be inaugurated on extensions of route A. M. 55 from Bristol, Tenn.-Va., to Atlanta, Ga., via Asheville, N. C., and from Birmingham, Ala., to New Orleans, La., via Mobile, Ala.; and effective on or about March 4, 1948, air-mail service will be inaugurated at Leesburg and Perry, Fla., on route A. M. 75.

No official cachet for first-flight covers will be authorized for Bristol, Tenn.-Va., Atlanta, Ga., Air Mail Field, Atlanta, Asheville, N. C., Birmingham, Ala., Air Mail Field, Birmingham, Mobile, Ala., New Orleans, La., and Air Mail Field, New Orleans, as cachets have previously been furnished for air-mail service at these points. However, souvenir covers received by the postmasters at the above-named offices, and by the district superintendent, District No. 1, Railway Mail Service, Atlanta, Ga., for Air Mail Field, Atlanta; district superintendent, District No. 4, Railway Mail Service, Birmingham, Ala., for Air Mail Field, Birmingham; and the district superintendent, District No. 1, Railway Mail Service, New Orleans, La., for Air Mail Field, New Orleans, will be dispatched to first flights, if practicable.

Special cachets will be provided for Leesburg and Perry, Fla., and the usual treatment of philatelic mail will be authorized.

First flight air-mail covers sent to the postmasters at Leesburg and Perry, Fla., should be accompanied by a letter authorizing the holding of the covers for the first flight and requesting the application of the cachet. Space approximately 2½ by 2½ inches to the left on the address side of all covers is required for the cachet.

At request of collectors, covers receiving cachets will be given directional service to a terminal or junction point designated by the regional superintendent, Air Postal Transport, and served by the first flight in each direction, and will there be backstamped and dispatched onward to destination.

INSTRUCTIONS OF FOURTH ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL

TRUCK DISPLAY OF POSTER "RED CROSS"

Postmasters at offices having Government-owned mail trucks will receive a supply of Red Cross posters.

The display of Red Cross posters on Government-owned mail trucks during the month of March 1948 is authorized.

INSTRUCTIONS OF THE SOLICITOR

FRAUD ORDER NOTICE

Viola Nordquist et al.

On February 18, 1948, a fraud order was issued against Viola Nordquist, and Nordquist System, at Hollywood, Los Angeles, Calif.

All mail addressed to this concern and party should be returned to senders, stamped "Fraudulent—Mail to this address returned by order of Postmaster General," and no money orders in favor of said concern and party should be issued, certified, or paid.

FRAUD ORDER NOTICE (TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER)

Al Williams et al.

On December 10, 1945, a fraud order was issued against Al Williams; Al Williams, Health Conditioner; Al Williams, Physical Conditioner; Al Williams Health System; The Al Williams Health System, and Williams Health System, and their officers and agents as such, at Los Angeles, Calif.

On February 16, 1948, the United States District Court for the Southern District of California entered a temporary restraining order against the enforcement of this fraud order.

Pending disposition of this matter by the courts, the provisions of the fraud order in question should be disregarded and mail and money orders for the parties named handled in the ordinary manner.

FICTITIOUS ORDER NOTICES

Ernest Edwards, Inc.

On February 18, 1948, a fictitious order was issued against Ernest Edwards, Inc., at Los Angeles, Calif.

Colorcraft

On February 16, 1948, a fictitious order was issued against Colorcraft, 1302-1302-A Broadway, Burbank, Calif.

All mail addressed to these names and addresses should be returned to senders, stamped "Fictitious."

AMENDMENTS TO THE POSTAL LAWS AND REGULATIONS

REPORT OF SALE OF UNDELIVERABLE
INSURED OR C. O. D. MATTER

INSERT No. 682.

ORDER No. 36679; DATED FEBRUARY 18, 1948.

Paragraph 7, section 804, Postal Laws and Regulations of 1940, as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

"7. When the matter is insured or c. o. d., appropriate office record shall be made showing the full particulars of the parcel and, if sold, the amount obtained, disposition made thereof, and the necessity for the sale. The postmaster at the office of mailing or of address, as may be appropriate, or both, if the matter is disposed of in transit, shall be advised in detail of the action taken and the reason for such action, and they shall make proper notation on their office records. In the event of the filing of claim for indemnity covering any such insured or c. o. d. parcel, postmasters shall see that a full statement of the facts accompanies the claim papers for transmission to the duly designated paying postmaster or the department as may be appropriate."

MONEY-ORDER ACCOUNTS

International and Domestic International Paid Money Orders

INSERT No. 683.

ORDER No. 36689; DATED FEBRUARY 19, 1948.

Subparagraph (d) of paragraph 2, section 277, Postal Laws and Regulations of 1940, is rescinded and subparagraph (c) of paragraph 2 is amended to read as follows:

"(c) Monthly list of money orders paid (Form 6014), accompanied with all paid and repaid orders."

Paragraph 3 of section 277 of the Postal Laws and Regulations is amended to read as follows:

"3. The monthly money-order account (Form 6011), the monthly list of money orders issued (Form 6013), the monthly list of money orders paid (Form 6014), with all accompanying vouchers shall be forwarded in one package immediately after the close of each month's business."

DEPOSIT OF POSTAL FUNDS

Washington, D. C., and Guam, Guam

INSERT No. 684.

ORDER No. 36690; DATED FEBRUARY 19, 1948.

Paragraph 2, Section 117, Postal Laws and Regulations of 1940, is amended to read as follows:

"2. The postmaster at Washington, D. C., shall deposit funds with the Treasurer of the United States. The postmaster at Guam, Guam, shall deposit surplus funds in the Bank of Guam to the credit of the account of the Treasurer of the United States."

SUGGESTION PROGRAM

SUPPLEMENTAL LIST OF SUGGESTIONS

Any further reference will be by letter or publication

Proposed twine cutter:

- 5403 Klockner, Emil, clerk, Newark, N. J.
- 6077 Larrabee, Edward, clerk, Bath, Maine.
- 7606 Schott, Edgar R., postmaster, Benton, Mo.

Marking of braces in general schemes containing supplies for offices listed:

- 5661 King, Frederick, railway postal clerk, Boston, Mass.
- 5666 Killough, W. B., railway postal clerk, North Conway, N. H.

Device for posting sorting schemes, etc., at cases:

- 5750 Sweeney, John J., clerk-in-charge, Hempstead, N. Y.

Combination collection-relay box:

- 6896 Bernissant, W. J., carrier, New Orleans, La.

Device for tying letter packages:

- 5831 Keiter, Stanley J., clerk, Kansas City, Mo.

Furnish tag board for pouch labels:

- 5866 Warner, Lillie B., postmaster, Irrigon, Oreg.

Furnish wide bands to distributing clerks instead of rubber thumb stalls:

- 5968 Hicks, Harlan E., clerk, Indianapolis, Ind.

Collect mail from secondary cases from rear:

- 6107 Murray, Thomas F., carrier, Boston, Mass.

Movable separator in pigeon holes for zoned and unzoned mail:

- 6366 Laderer, Henry R., foreman, Newark, N. J.

Device for removing dirt from parcel post conveyor belts:

- 6625 Lundgren, Fridolph E. E., railway postal clerk, Los Angeles, Calif.

Change procedure of handling letter mail between facing table and secondary cases:

- 6541 Werner, Richard G., clerk, Kansas City, Mo.

Protection of mail from weather by letter carriers:

- 6706 Clark, P. J., carrier, Duluth, Minn.
- 7047 Ossi, Robert, carrier, Rochelle Park, N. J.

Mechanical device for distribution of mail:

- 6865 Gentry, Thomas E., clerk, Atlanta, Ga.

Construction of bottom of pigeon holes to facilitate removal of mail:

- 7156 Harrison, Charles W., clerk, Chicago, Ill.
- 7868 Thompson, Christian O., clerk, Madison, Wis.

Provide in Chicago post office additional chute and conveyor belt for parcel post and newspaper distribution:

- 7159 Pett, Henry C., clerk, Cicero, Ill.

Devices for use by substitutes in stamping numbers on facing slips:

- 7222 Lorine, Eric T., clerk, Maywood, Ill.

Metal table to be used for mail tray and facing table:

- 7290 Schulz, Russell L., foreman, Indianapolis, Ind.

Place carrier case at a height convenient to both short and tall carriers:

- 7296 McCohnell, William W., carrier, Chicago, Ill.

Uniform system of labeling carrier cases:

- 7293 Messmer, Mathew N., foreman, St. Louis, Mo.

Perforate tops of facing tables to reduce dirt accumulation:

- 7305 Britton, John, superintendent of mails, Omaha, Nebr.

Attachment for metal guide on mechanical facing table to prevent catching of mail:

- 7323 McGannon, Edward W., general foreman, Chicago, Ill.

Use web material for carrier shoulder straps:

- 7427 Studinka, Emil, carrier, Fairfield, Ala.

Identification plate attached to each set of keys issued to carriers:

- 7451 Donarski, Clement E., clerk, Chicago, Ill.

Use two-wheel hampers for pulling mail from separation cases:

- 7903 Kanzer, Robert, clerk-in-charge, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Improvement in tying out mail:

- 8032 Nevin, Robert, clerk, Jacksonville, Fla.
- 8038 Stein, Richard D., clerk, Burbank, Calif.
- 8189 Weatherford, J. B., superintendent of mails, Laurel, Miss.

Handle parcel post in bins which can be moved to mail cars:

- 8055 Holt, William P., railway postal clerk-in-charge, Los Angeles, Calif.

Use strap in tying out mail to stations:

- 8065 Meyrick, John A., general foreman, Berkeley, Calif.
- 8282 Kasofsky, Raymond, carrier, Denver, Colo.

Device to prevent accumulation of twine on caster wheel axles:

- 6631 Lundgren, Fridolph E. E., railway postal clerk, Los Angeles, Calif.

- 8102 Fagan, John J., canceling machine mechanic's helper, New York, N. Y.

Improved general delivery cases:

- 8174 Jones, Clarence L., clerk, Atlanta, Ga.

Prepare printed facing slips in rolls:

- 8280 McInturff, R. A., clerk, Worland, Wyo.

Change in State strip label:

- 8346 Moir, Walter D., clerk, Globe, Ariz.

MONEY ORDER SERVICE

Establishment of Money-Order Business
NEW YORK
New York, U. S. S. Stribling (DD 867) Branch,
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MONEY ORDER SERVICE

Establishment of International Money-Order Business

CALIFORNIA
San Bernardino, Station No. 2, Apr. 1, 1948.

NEW YORK
Jamaica, Station C, Apr. 1, 1948.

TEXAS
Dallas, Trinity Heights Station, Apr. 1, 1948.
Kent, Apr. 1, 1948.
Lozano, Feb. 16, 1948.