



AIRMAIL STAMPS

Issue of 1918

FLAT PLATE PRINTING

PERFORATED 11



Mail Airplane

*Issue of 1923*

Airplane Propeller



Air Service Insignia



Mail Airplane

Issue of 1926-27

Map of U. S. and Planes



On May 15, 1918 Air-mail service was established between Washington, Philadelphia and New York and it was during this year that the United States issued its first air mail stamps. The 24¢ denomination was specifically issued to meet the requirements of the new route and the other denominations were created as the rates were reduced. One sheet of the 24¢ stamp was found with the picture of the airplane inverted.





AIRMAIL STAMPS

Issue of 1928
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PERFORATED 11



"Spirit of St. Louis"

Issue of 1927
FLAT PLATE PRINTING
PERFORATED 11



Rocky Mountain Beacon

Issue of 1930
FLAT PLATE PRINTING
PERFORATED 11



Winged Globe

Issue of 1930



A13



A14



A15

Graf Zeppelin in flight

Issue of 1931-34
ROTARY PRESS PRINTING
PERFORATED 10½ x 11



Winged Globe

THE wonderful development of the United States Air Mail System can be told through its stamp issues. An example of this is the special 10 cent stamp issued as a tribute to the non-stop New York to Paris flight by Charles A. Lindbergh which paved the way for world-wide airmail coverage.



AIRMAIL STAMPS

Issue of 1934
FLAT PLATE PRINTING
PERFORATED 11



Great Seal of the United States

Issue of 1933
FLAT PLATE PRINTING
PERFORATED 11



Graf Zeppelin

Issue of 1936
FLAT PLATE PRINTING
PERFORATED 11



Great Seal of the United States

Issue of 1935-37
FLAT PLATE PRINTING
PERFORATED 11



"China Clipper" Flying over the Pacific



Issue of 1938
FLAT PLATE PRINTING
PERFORATED 11



Eagle Holding Shield, Arrows and Olive Wreath

Issue of 1939
FLAT PLATE PRINTING
PERFORATED 11



A SPECIAL set of stamps was created for Transpacific usage, which service was inaugurated in November 1935. Air Mail Special Delivery stamps were also issued for the first time in 1934 from a design created by Franklin Delano Roosevelt, then President of the United States.



AIRMAIL STAMPS

Issue of 1941-44

ROTARY PRESS PRINTING

PERFORATED 11 x 10½



Twin-Motored Transport Plane

Issue of 1946

PERFORATED 11 x 10½



Four-Motored Transport Plane

Issue of 1947-48

PERFORATED 10½ x 11

COIL STAMP



Issue of 1949

PERFORATED 10½ x 11

COIL STAMP



THE 1941-44 series of airmail stamps was issued to provide a uniform set to replace similar denominations which had been issued at various times since 1926. For the first time an airmail stamp was issued for use in vending machines.

UNITED STATES



POSTAL ISSUES

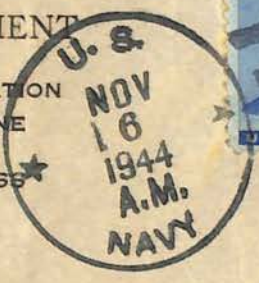


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BUSINESS





Issue of 1947



Pan-American Union Building



New York Skyline and Statue of Liberty



San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge

These airmail stamps were issued to meet the requirements created by new rates established.

*Alexandria
Bicentennial*
1949



Carlyle House and Gadsby's Tavern

Issued to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the founding of Alexandria, Va.

New York Golden Jubilee
1948



Merging of Five Boroughs

Issued as a commemorative, as well as an air mail stamp honoring the 50th anniversary of the establishment of Greater New York City.

Wright Brothers
1949



Wright Brothers and Plane

Issued to commemorate the 46th anniversary of the first powered flight, December 17, 1903.

Issue of 1949



Post Office Department Building



Globe and Doves



Plane and Globe

Issued to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the formation of the Universal Postal Union.

Aviation Anniversary
1953



First plane and a modern plane

Issued to commemorate the 50th anniversary of powered flight.

Hawaii
1952



Diamond Head in Honolulu, Hawaii

Issued to facilitate the payment of postage for one pound of domestic air parcel post to the eighth zone.

Air Force Anniversary
1957



Military Aircraft

Issued as a tribute to the 50th Anniversary of the founding of the United States Air Force.





Eagle

Alaska Statehood

1959



The "Big Dipper" and North Star superimposed on map of Alaska.

Commemorated Alaska Statehood and the growth of the United States north of the Arctic Circle.

1954



Eagle in flight

Issued for prepayment of post card airmail rate.

1958



Hawaii Statehood

1959



Hawaiian Warrior and map of Islands.

The admission of Hawaii into the Union as the 50th state was honored by the issuance of a special commemorative to mark the historic moment.

Jet Plane

1954

COIL STAMP



Jet Airliner

When the airmail rate for domestic letters was raised on August 1, 1958, from 6c to 7c, the post office department took it as an opportunity to use a modern jet plane as the motif for the stamp, pointing up improvements and progress in the airmail service. Originally printed in blue, in 1960 the stamps were reprinted in a distinct shade of red as a means of facilitating the handling of airmail letters.

1958

COIL STAMP



Amelia Earhart

1963



Amelia Earhart and Lockheed Electra.

Honored the famous aviatrix who set speed and distance records until she was lost in the Pacific during her flight around the world.

Balloon Jupiter

1959



John Wise ascending on first flight in 1859.

Marked the 100th anniversary of the first mail delivery via balloon from Lafayette to Crawfordsville, Indiana.

Pan American Games

1959



Athlete Holding Victory Torch.

Issued as tribute to the Pan-American Games on August 27, 1959 to mark the opening in Chicago of the International Athletic event.



International Air Mail Issue

1959-60



Liberty Bell: "Let Freedom Ring."



Statue of Liberty: "Liberty for all."



Abraham Lincoln: "Of the People, by the People, for the People."

1961



Statue of Liberty: "Liberty for all."



Liberty Bell: "Let Freedom Ring."

This series of stamps was created to meet the demand for specific foreign airmail rates.

Airmail

1962



Jet over the Capitol, Washington, D.C.



Issued to meet the new 8¢ airmail rate.

Montgomery Blair

1963



Portrait of Blair, U. S. Postmaster 1863, and letters circling globe.

Commemorated the 100th anniv. of the Intern. Postal Conference organized by Blair. This meeting led to the formation of the U.P.U.

Eagle

1963



Bald Eagle

Issued for prepayment of post cards air mail rate.





VIA AIRMAIL

ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE
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J.B.

General Post Office

L O N D O N E.C.I.
=====

E N G L A N D



VIA AIR MAIL

BASEBALL CENTENNIAL



MR. JOHN HERRMANN
1050 TRAK PLACE
Brooklyn. New York.

#855 FDC CURRENT VALUE \$60.00
CLIFFORD COUNTRY AM-NAT# 47.50
NET

Country _____ Cat. No. _____
 Unused ☐ Used ☐ Hinged ☐ Lightly Hinged ☐ Never Hinged ☐
 Average ☐ Fine ☐ Very Fine ☐ Extra Fine ☐
 Complete Set ☐ Short Set ☐ Single ☐ Block ☐ Plate Block ☐
 Notes _____
 Cat. Value _____ Selling Price _____

Style No. 04

G&K HOBBY PRODUCTS • 21218 Ave. Altoona, PA •

Proudly made in the U.S.A.

Country _____ Cat. No. _____
 Unused ☐ Used ☐ Hinged ☐ Lightly Hinged ☐ Never Hinged ☐
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Babe Ruth in National Guard Uniform With General Pershing



Philgraf First Day Cover



FIRST DAY OF ISSUE





UNITED STATES



POSTAL ISSUES

Sperling's Inc.
6-8 RAYMOND STREET
POTSDAM, NEW YORK



FIRST DAY OF ISSUE

Jon Alan Gillaspie
92 Market Street
Potsdam, N.Y.

Alaska Purchase

1967



Indian Totem

Commemorates the 100th anniversary of the purchase of Alaska by the United States from Russia.

Dr. Robert H. Goddard

1964



Dr. Goddard, rocket and launching pad

This stamp commemorates the 50th anniversary of the first patents granted to "The Father of Modern Rocketry" for his multi-stage booster rockets using liquid and solid fuels.

International Airmail

1967



"Columbia Jays"

Issued to meet the increased airmail rates to Europe and Mediterranean Africa.

Air Mail Service

1968



Curtiss Jenney

Commemorated the 50th anniversary of regularly scheduled airmail service.

International Air Mail

1968



Intended primarily for mail to Europe and parts of North Africa.

Airmail

1968



Runaway paved with 50 stars

Issued to meet the increase in domestic airmail rate.



UNITED STATES

POSTAL ISSUES



First Man on the Moon

1969



First Man on The Moon

The Moon Landing Issue paid tribute to mankind's greatest feat: the landing of a man on the moon. On July 20th, 1969 Neil A. Armstrong and Col. Edwin E. Aldrin, Jr. became the first humans to land on the Moon; Lt. Col. Michael Collins, the third member of the American Lunar party, remained in the command ship "Columbia," about 65 miles overhead. The engraved master die from which the stamps were printed was carried to the moon by the astronauts.



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Airmails

1971

Coil



Silhouette of Jet Airliner



Silhouette of Delta Wing Plane



Silhouette of Jet Airliner



Head of Liberty



Airplane Leaving U.S.A.

Regular Air Mail issues created to meet the increase in domestic and international rates.

UNITED STATES



POSTAL ISSUES





National Parks Centennial

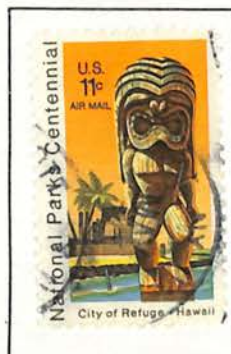
1972

Olympic Games 1972



Skiing

Winter Games at Sapporo, Japan.
See CM686-688.



Statue and Temple in City of Refuge -
Hawaii, ancient sanctuary for taboo
breakers and victims of war. See
CM674-680.

Progress In Electronics 1973



Lee DeForest's Audions

Saluted the remarkable achievements
in the Electronics field. See CM721-723.

Airmail 1974



Statue of Liberty

Airmail 1973



Airmail envelope in simulated flight

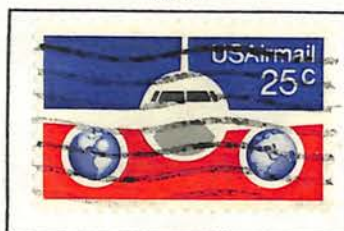


Airmail 1974



Mount Rushmore

Airmail 1976



Stylized Aircraft

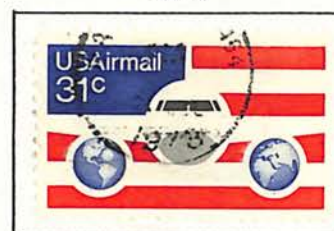
Wright Brothers' Flight 1978



Orville and Wilbur Wright and
their aircraft.

Marked the 75th anniversary of the first powered flight by
Wilbur and Orville Wright.

Airmail 1976



Global Views





International Air Mail

Octave Chanute

1979



Octave Chanute and in-flight views of his hang-glider.

Marked the outstanding contributions of Octave Chanute to the field of aviation.

Wiley Post

1979



Wiley Post

Honored the aeronautical achievements of the pioneer pilot who died in an airplane crash at Point Barrow, Alaska while flying with Will Rogers (see CM317).

Olympics 1980

1979

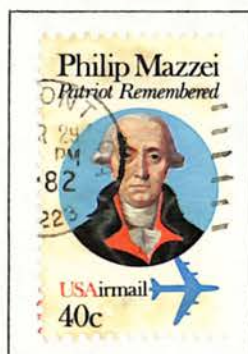


High Jumper

Publicized the Olympic 1980 games.

Philip Mazzei

1980



Philip Mazzei

Honored the Italian-American Patriot who promoted American Independence through writings published in America and Europe.



1984 Olympic Series

1983

Pioneer Aviation Series

1980



Blanche Stuart Scott

Commemorated a pioneer pilot who was the first American woman to make a solo flight.



Commemorated Summer Olympic Games: women's gymnastics, men's hurdles, women's basketball and soccer.

Pioneer Aviation Series

1980



Glenn Curtiss

Honored the early aviator, aircraft designer, and inventor of the aileron (trailing movable edge of aircraft wings).

1984 Olympic Series

1983



Commemorated Summer Olympic Games: men's shot put, men's gymnastics, women's swimming and weight lifting.

1984 Olympic Series

1983



Commemorated Summer Olympic Games: women's fencing, cycling, women's volleyball and pole vaulting.