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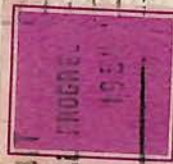
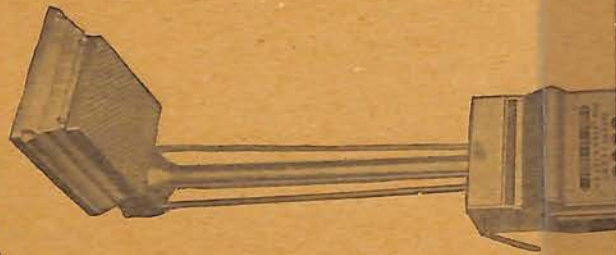


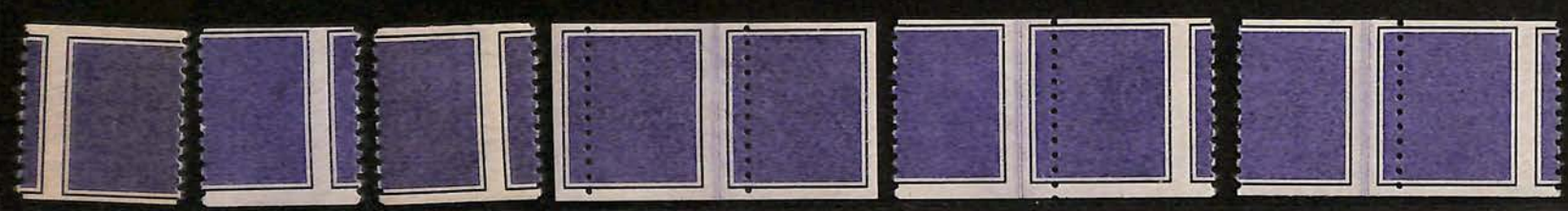
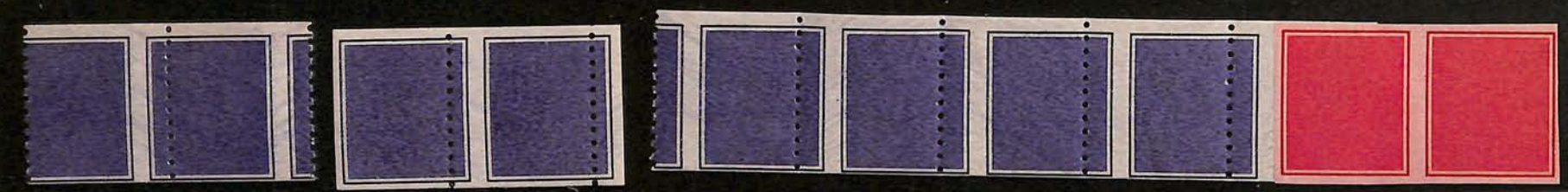
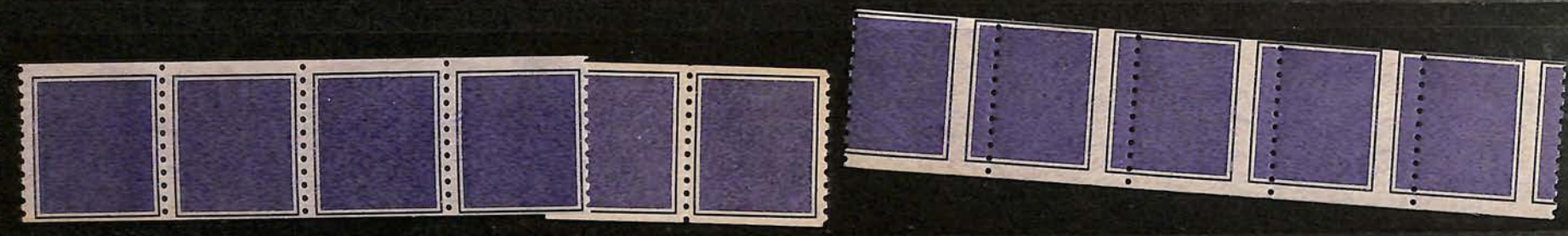
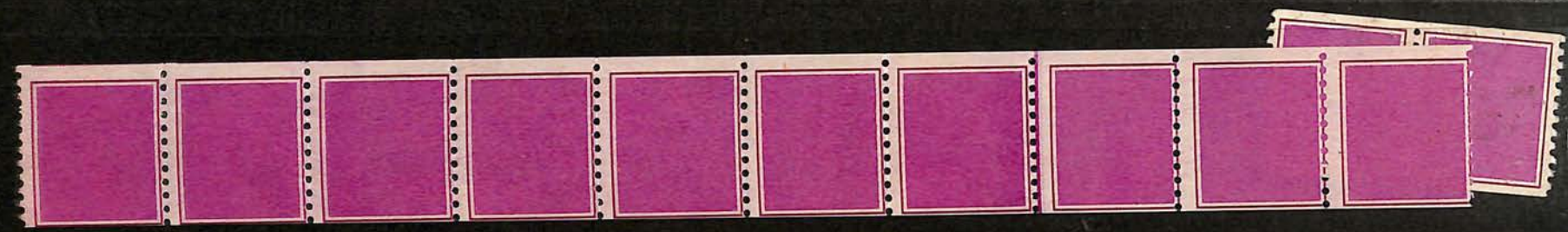
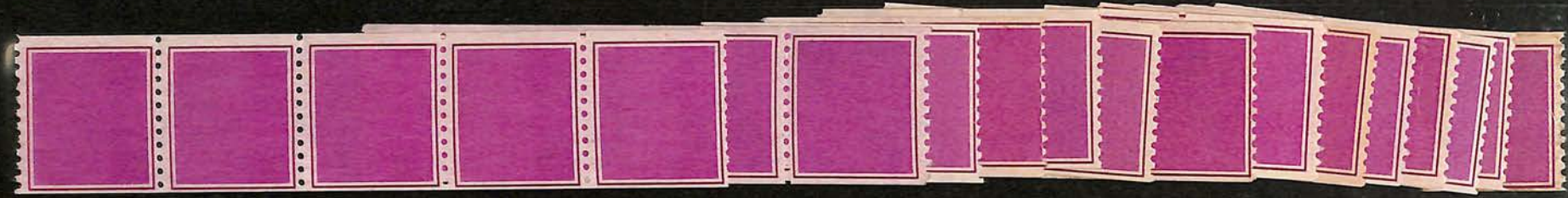
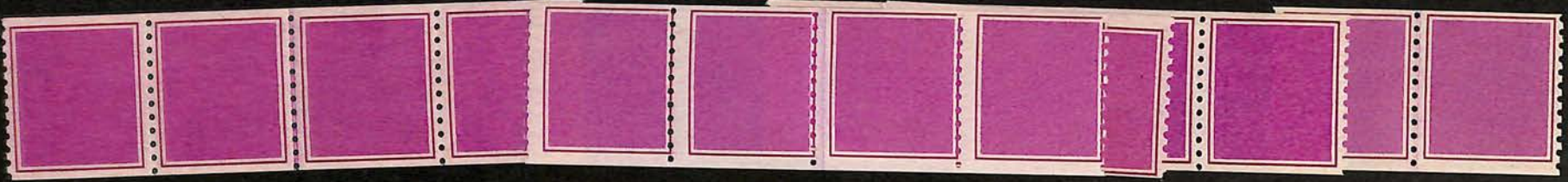
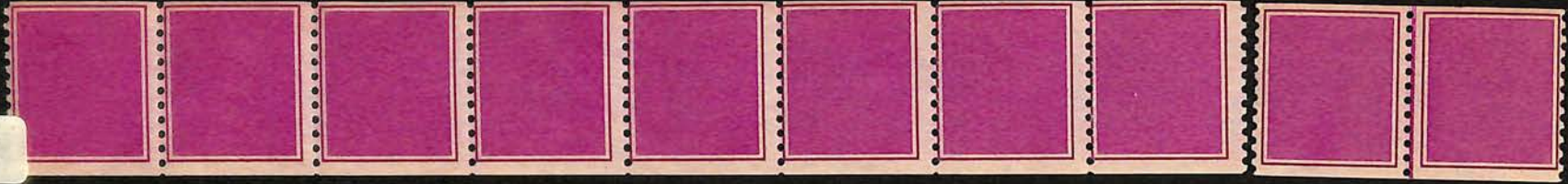
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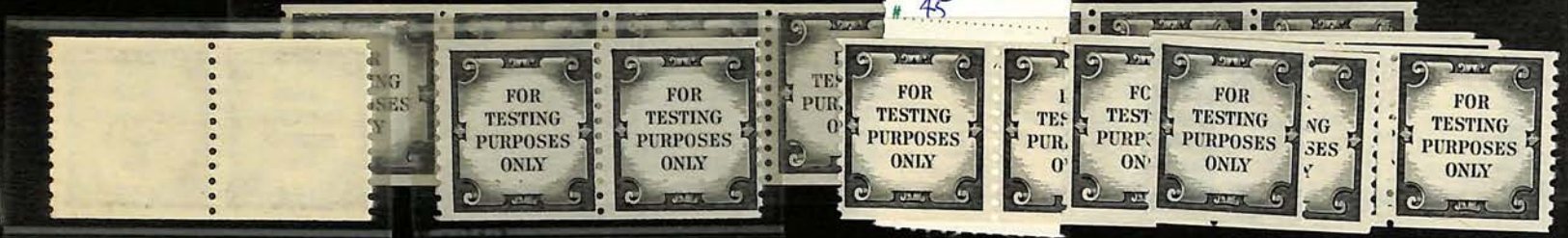




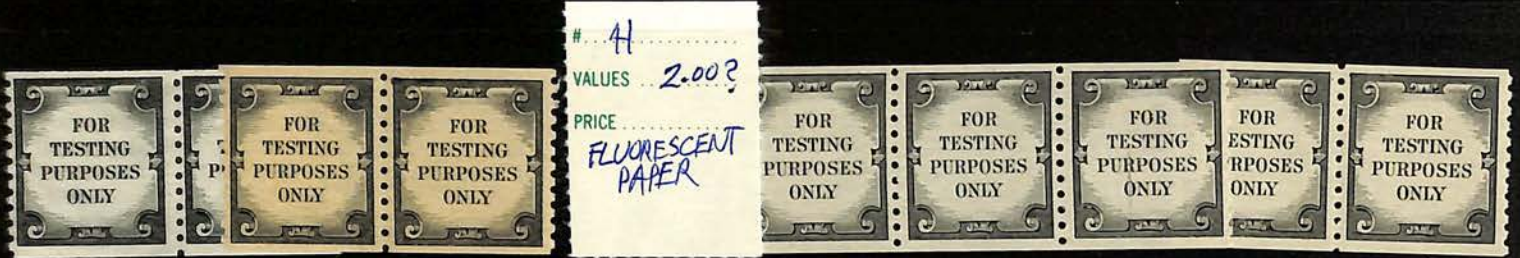




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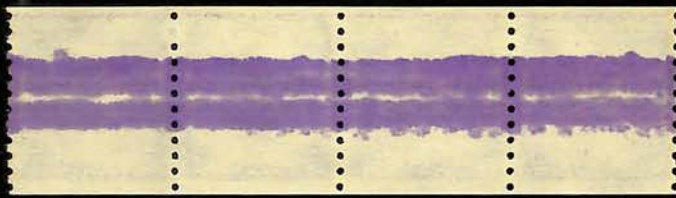
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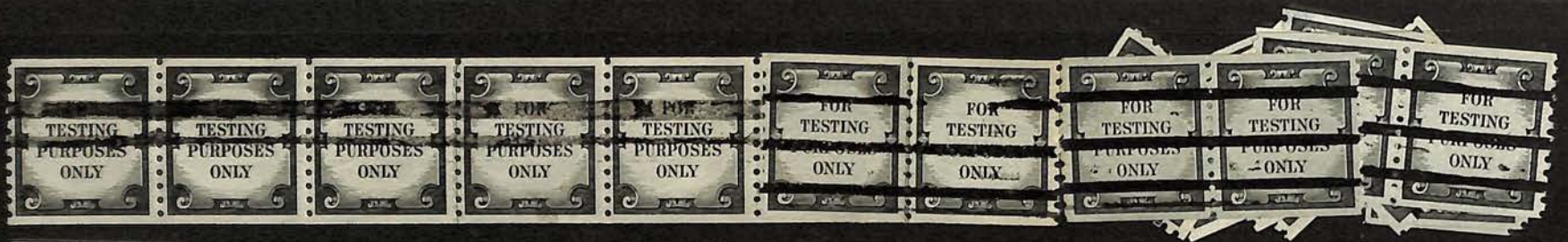
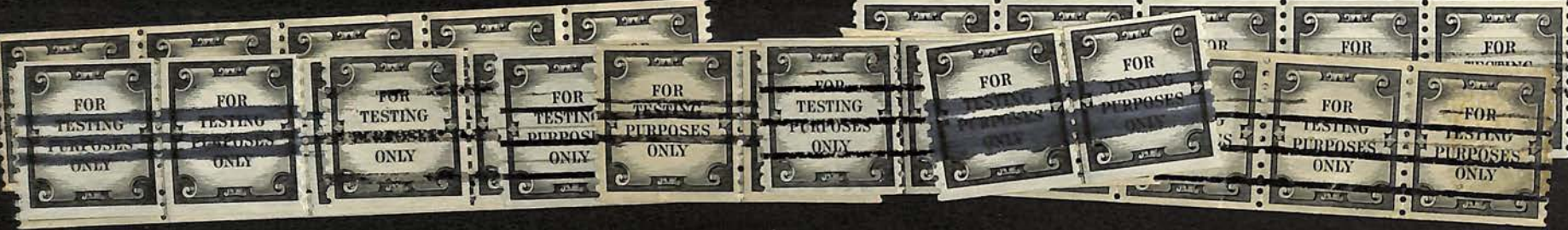
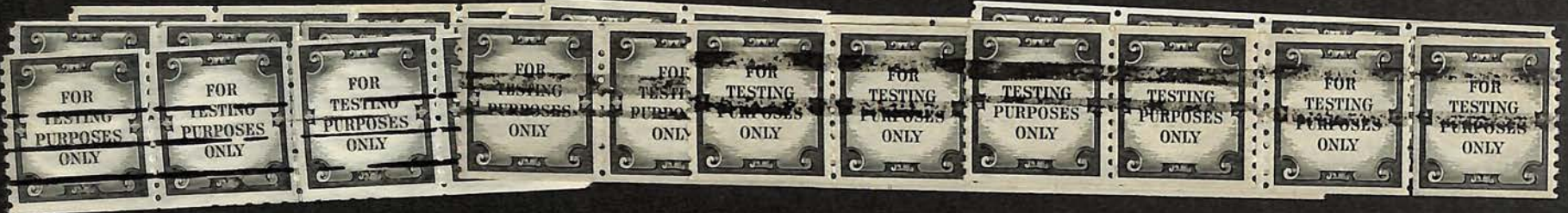
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# Scroll-design dummy coil printed in orange

In late January, a collector in Wisconsin discovered 77 United States Scroll-design dummy stamps printed in an orange color previously unknown for the design.

The dummy stamps are the familiar ones reading, "For Testing Purposes Only." The finder is Dan J. Undersander.

John Larson, Larry S. Weiss and Undersander, members of the Bureau Issues Association, reported the discovery in the April issue of the BIA's *United States Specialist*. Larson reported the find earlier in the year via e-mail on the Internet.

One of the dummy stamps is pictured here in color. Specialist collectors in U.S. dummy stamps believe the orange ink on the new discovery is similar to that used for the 11¢ Printing Press stamp of the Americana series, Scott 1593, issued Nov. 13, 1975, in post-office panes of 100.

Previously, the Scroll dummy stamp has been known only in black, brown, green and carmine inks.

Undersander found the stamps in the Madison, Wis., area. The stamps had been in a collection purchased by a local dealer.

Undersander seems to have a talent for turning up new dummy stamps. He previously discovered a line pair of the rare carmine Scroll dummy stamp, Scott 42, as



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reported in the November 1997 *United States Specialist*.

The 77 orange dummy stamps in the find are all unused and undamaged, Larson and the other authors reported.

They are in strips of four or larger strips, except for a one and one-half stamp piece that is attached to part of the wrapping material once believed to have held a roll of them in a tightly wound position.

One strip of six in the find has a joint line marking between the second and third stamps. There is no evidence of fading, tampering or alteration of the ink, paper, gum or tagging. Scroll coil stamps printed in black are known in rolls of 100, 500 and 3,000.

The orange Scroll dummy

stamps, based on the stamp and a half found with part of the wrapping material, appear to have been processed into some finished form, according to Larson and the others.

The orange dummy stamps are tagged to glow green under shortwave ultraviolet light, just as are similar postage stamps of the era.

The orange Scrolls have the typical pebble-texture gum commonly found on dummy coil stamps printed on the Bureau of Engraving and Printing's Cottrell presses beginning about 1970.

The orange Scrolls are perforated gauge 10 vertically and the design is 191/2 millimeters wide, consistent with other Cottrell press dummy coils.

The 11¢ Printing Press sheet stamp that the orange Scrolls resemble in ink color and paper color also was a Cottrell press product.

Cottrell presses printed roll-to-roll. They used one color of ink and plates with recessed (intaglio) images.

The seams between the press's two curved plates, mounted in tandem, are what printed the joint lines collectors are familiar with. Ink built up in the seams and transferred to the stamp paper just as the stamp images did.

The gum of orange Scrolls is different from that of the 11¢ Printing Press sheet

stamp. The orange Scroll dummy stamps also lack the gum breaker ridges that normally appear on the sheet stamps.

These ridges were pressed into U.S. stamps until recent years. The ridges, usually applied in the direction of the paper's natural curl, helped prevent panes of stamps from curling when stored in post office drawers.

The 11¢ Printing Press stamp was current until it was replaced Feb. 12, 1985, by the 11¢ Alden Partridge stamp in the Great Americans series.

The last of the Bureau's Cottrell presses went out of service about the same time, on Nov. 20, 1985.

The find of 77 orange Scroll dummy stamps makes them only slightly more available to collectors than the similar dummy stamp in carmine. There are 25 reported examples of the carmine dummy stamps, of which 12 are damaged by soiling.

An unsoiled strip of three of the carmine Scroll dummy stamp, with an attached partial stamp, sold in the Weiss Philatelics auction, Sale 130, Jan. 11, 1997, for \$1,540 (including the buyer's premium).

More recently, a stained carmine single in the Richard Drews auction, Sale 14, Nov. 21-23, 1997, sold for \$862.

According to Larson and the others, the orange Scrolls may have been produced in an effort to test the unusual combination of the orange ink and the gray paper. If that is the case, it may be that there are other unreported combinations of inks and papers from similar experiments related to the Americana issue.

It is also possible the orange Scrolls were produced in the normal course of making dummy stamps. Bureau personnel told Weiss that when an order came to them for dummy stamps, in the absence of specific requests otherwise, they were apt to use whatever inks and papers were handy.

Most often, dummy stamps were produced in black, but in one case a large quantity of dummy stamps were needed and green-colored ink was conveniently available and, therefore, utilized.

Dummy stamps have undergone increased popularity and study in recent years. They entered the Scott *Spe-*

*cialized Catalogue of United States Stamp* in the catalog's new Test Coils section in 1994.

The Scott listings have in turn prompted further increased collector interest.

The Scott U.S. specialized catalog is slowly revising its listings, changing the title of the section to Test Stamps in 1996.

The 1998 edition of the catalog includes a note reading: "The editors are assembling data to correct, clarify and expand the listings and they welcome information and examples of stamps from interested individuals."

It is entirely possible that other varieties of dummy stamps may exist and have gone unreported.

The Bureau Issues Association promotes the collecting of U.S. postage and revenue stamps, including those of U.S. administered areas.

Information about the BIA is available from its executive secretary, David G. Lee, Box 2641, Reston, VA 20195. ■



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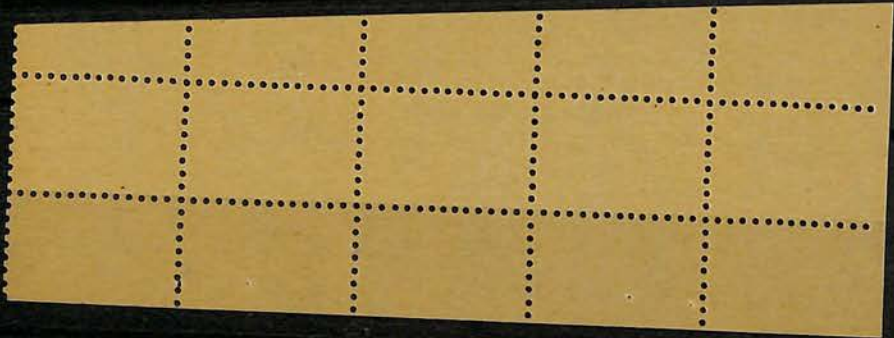
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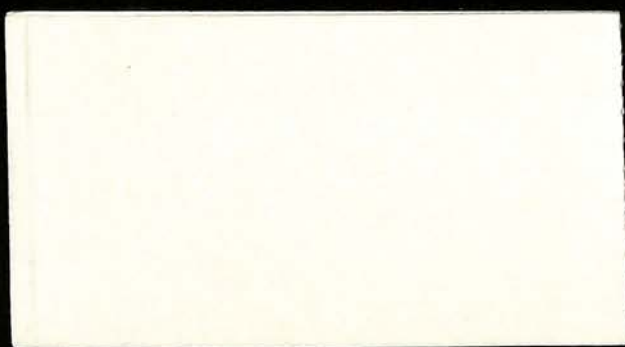
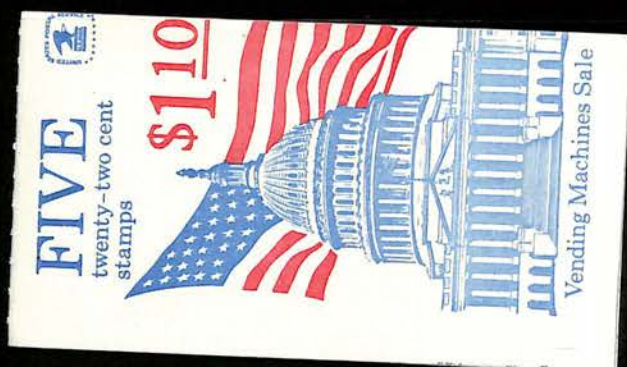
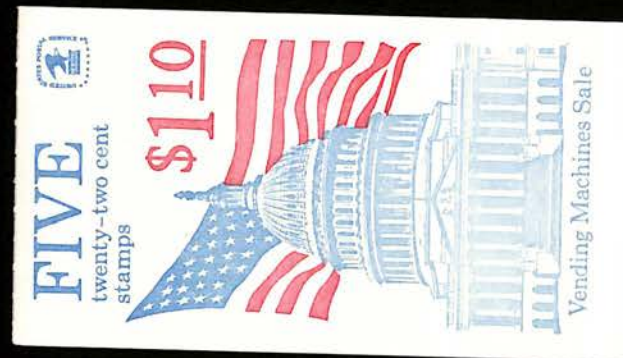
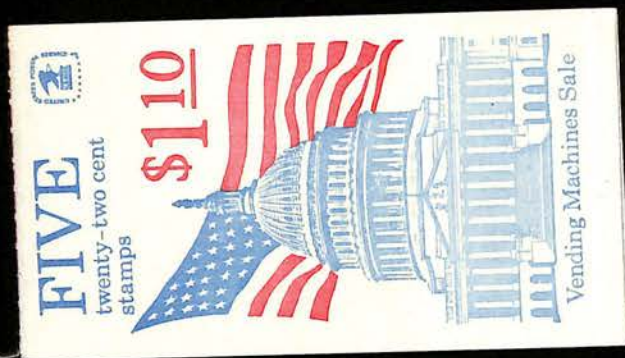
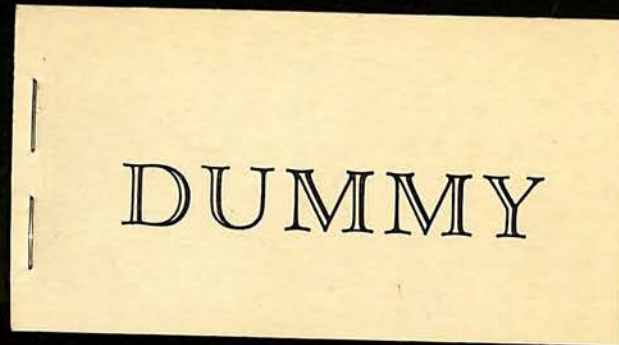
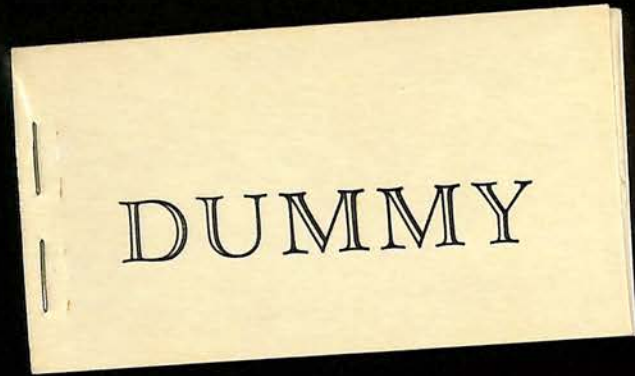
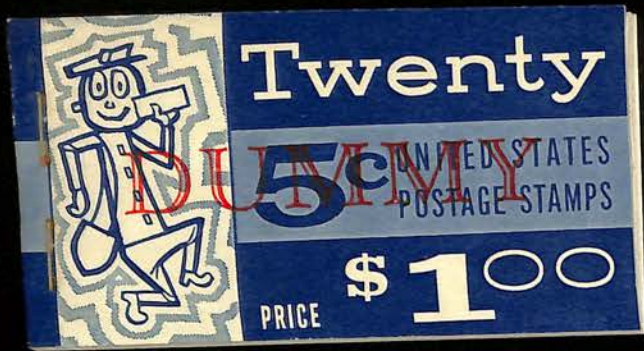
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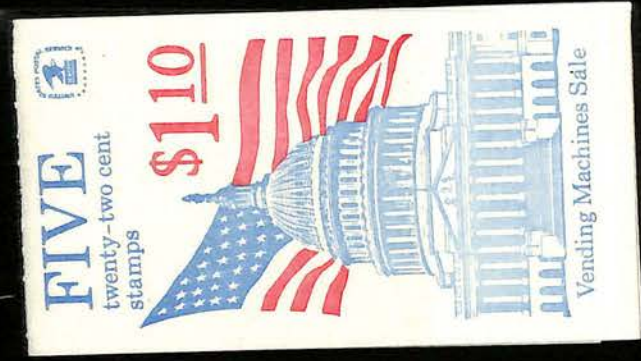
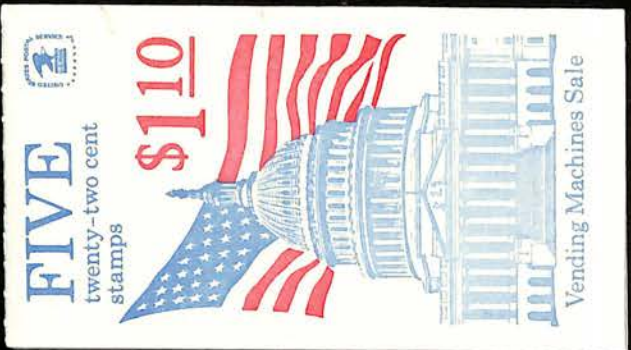












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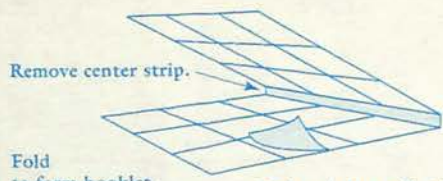
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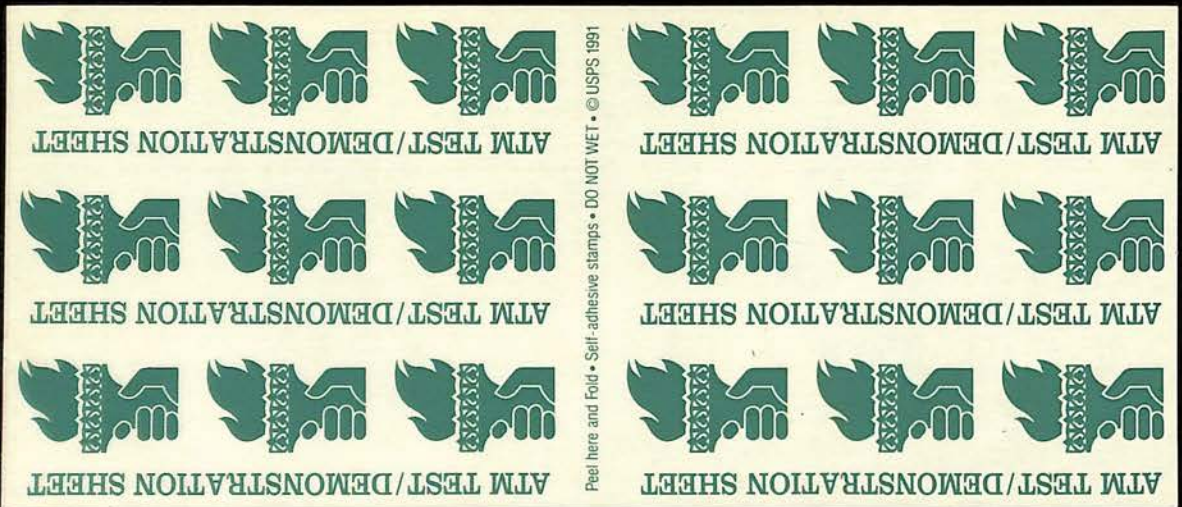
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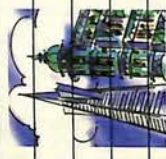
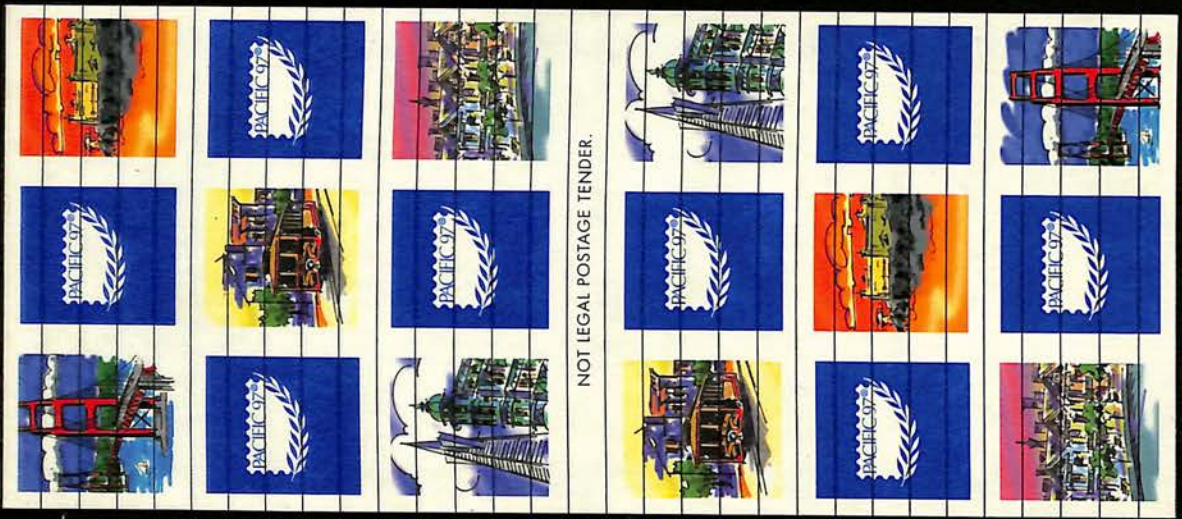




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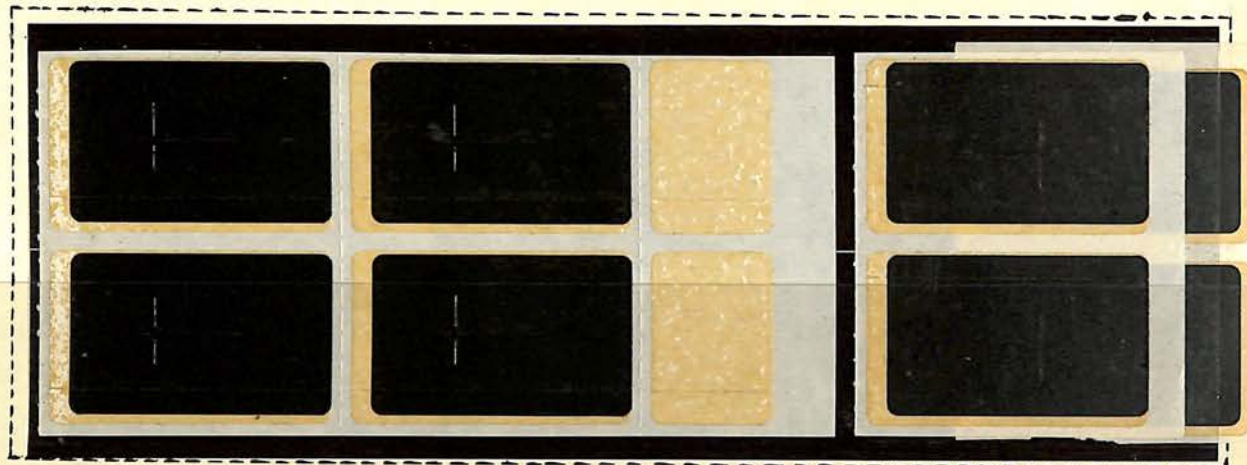




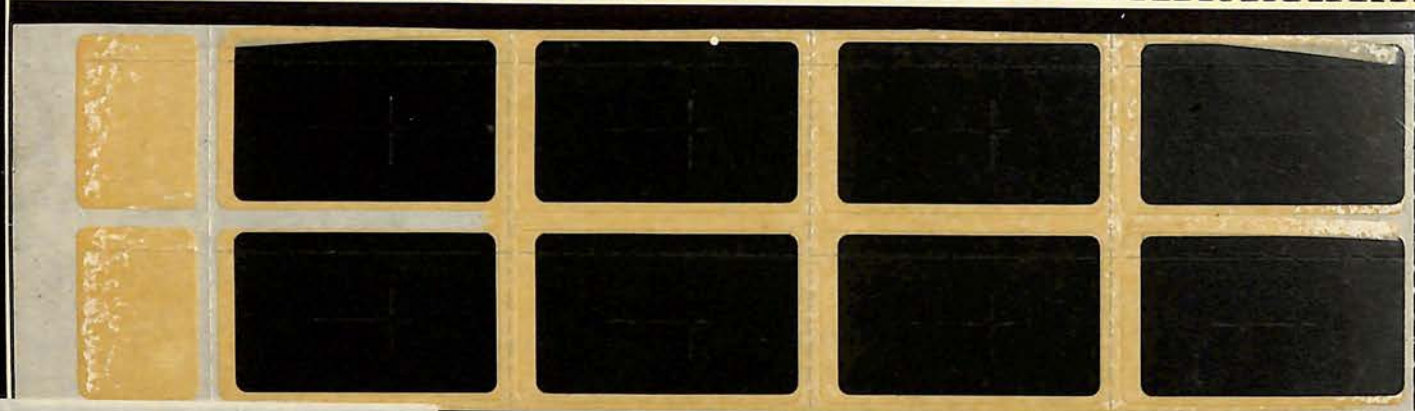
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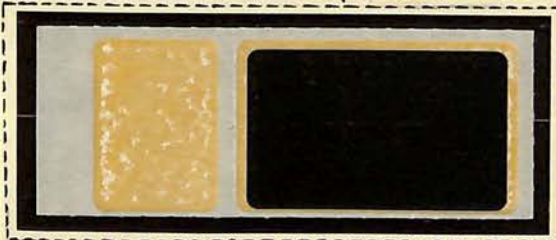
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