1908-10, Flat Plate DL wmk, Perf 12 Vertical Coils Scott 348-351



These were the first coils to be made available at the general clerk windows. This was still

a semi-experimental issue. Strips were pasted together to form rolls of 500 or 1000. There was a great deal of handwork involved.

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No. 0169064 2/25/87

We have examined the enclosed item submitted by the applicant described as follows:

Country: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Cat. No.

Issue

Denom

Color

1909

44

orange brown

Scott's unless otherwise specified.

UNUSED OG GUIDE LINE PAIR.

OF WHICH A PHOTOGRAPH IS ATTACHED AND ARE OF THE OPINION THAT:

IT IS GENUINE PREVIOUSLY HINGED BUT IT IS A GENUINE SCOTT 350, VERTICAL COIL * * * * * * * *





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For The Expert Committee

submitted by WILLIAM FOX AUCTIONS INC

1910-11, Flat Plate SL Wmk, Perf 12 Scott 385-389

Vertical Coils







385 LTH In August of 1910 the Bureau started using paper with a single line watermark. The purpose was to give the paper added strength since the old double line watermark had a tendency to weaken the structure of the paper.

250

Horizontal Coils



388

NO 389

387 LtH

388 LTHMK

This is the most highly counterfeited of any coil series. This is particularly true of the horizontal coils (says Armstrong). The issue was produced from both "Star" and "A" plates. The 2 cent pair above measures 3mm—probably a "Star" plate.

Note: I have no example of 389. This is the extremely scarce "Orangeburg" coil, the rarest of all the W-F coils. A supply of 10,000 of this coil was prepared prepared for the Bell Pharmaceutical Co of Orangeburg, New York. Only 55 genuine examples are known to have survived. Scott value—\$13,000 unused and \$5250 used (1987).

1912, Flat Plate SL Wmk, Perf $8\frac{1}{2}$ Scott 410-413

Vertical Coils







1150

19.

30-

Horizontal Coils



25.



50,

This issue differed from the previous issue. Washington replaced Franklin on the 1 cent. Numbers replaced words of denomination to conform to Universal Postal Union standards. These coils were printed on "A" plates with 2.75 to 3.00mm spacing.

1914, Flat Plate SL Wmk, Perf 10 Scott 441-447









Paste-up

Car







Armstrong points out that these coils are extensively counterfeited, both by trimming sheet stamps and by applying phoney perforations to imperforated stamps.

1914-16 Rotary Press SL Wmk, Perf 10 Scott 448-455







Line Pair

Type III

Type III



I have no Paste-up pairs, also no 449 pair. Paste-up pairs were extremely rare in the rotary production. They occurred only when the paper tore during production or when two paper rolls were joined. This would occur once in about six thousand sheets of stamps.





Line Pair



Type I Line Pair





Type III Line Pair

There are three types of the 2 cent rotaries. The differences are definite but rather obscure. Armstrong's book "United States Coil Issues" (1906-38) has excellent identification photos and lists of characteristics. Scott's identification notes and illustrations are limited.

1914-16, Rotary Press SL Wmk, Perf 10 Scott 456-459









Line pairs from flat plates show the guide lines which were engraved on the plates to divide the plate into four panes of 100 each. The Rotary Press creates a line at the joint which is formed whre two edges of the plates meet to form the rotary cylinder. These lines are more irregular than on the flat plates. Scott calls these "joint line pairs".

The above stamp, Scott 459, was actually the first of the new Rotary Press coils. It was the only one issued without perforations. These coils were used to fill an order for the U. S. Automatic Vending Co. This issue went almost unnoticed by collectors. Of the 21,000 issued there are about 1500 known survivors unused, 82 line pairs. It is more scarce used, and is rare with the U. S. Vending perforations.

1916-22, Rotary Press No Wmk, Perf 10 Scott 486-489





488—Type III

Three shades of 487—Type II







Two shades of 489-Type I





1916-22, Rotary Press No Wmk, Perf 10 Scott 490-494

Shades, of 490







Poorly wiped plate



492



492-Joint Line Pair



493



493-Joint Line Pair



494-Very faint Joint Line Pair

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We have examined the enclosed item submitted by the applicant described as follows:

Country: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Cat. No. Issue Denom Color 1923 2¢ carmine

Scott's unless otherwise specified.

599A 1929 2¢ carmine

UNUSED OG JOINT LINE STRIP OF FOUR TYPES I & II IN JOINT LINE COMBINATION.

OF WHICH A PHOTOGRAPH IS ATTACHED AND ARE OF THE OPINION THAT:



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