

## Chapter 26

### Plate Numbers 19000-19999

Plate number 19000 was assigned to the 10c Lindbergh air mail stamp in June, 1927 and 19999 was assigned to the 2c Washington regular issue stamp in February, 1930. The rate of plate usage has now slowed dramatically since the rotary press plates seem to be able to print many times more impressions than the flat press plates. The impressions from flat plates rarely exceeded 40,000 while it is not uncommon to see more than 500,000 impressions from a rotary plate. The change was due to chrome plating of the rotary plates. Consequently, only 702 of the 1000 plates were assigned to the 4th Bureau series. There were 116 commemoratives and 140 air mail plates assigned, plus 42 plates assigned to other types of stamps.

633 plates of the 4th Bureau series went to press in this section. 23 of these, all coils, are unreported. But collectors seem to be finding more and more of these coils and they are also becoming adept at finding the rotary press booklets with partial plate numbers. The 2c Washington stamp is the most difficult because some of the rotary plates did have short runs. Plate 19424 is probably the most difficult. The 2c Washington Die II variety made a short appearance in this section. Six sheet plates were used and, while the stamp is expensive, the plates are common. There are 9 Die II coil plates and 3 are unreported. These items are scarce and expensive. Die I coil plate 19515 and Die II plate 19748 were at press together so a line pair showing either plate number might be a combination of both dies. This is a very desirable plate number piece to own and is quite scarce. All of the 48 2c booklet plates are reported but this is a difficult set to assemble. Most of the rest of the 4th Bureau plates are easy - it is just those coil and booklets that make a high completion percentage really tough. Locating 450 of the 633 plates would be a real accomplishment.

Commemoratives are starting to become a major player in these sections of plate numbers. 10 designs are in the 19000 section with 116 plates assigned. Most of these plates are quite common with one notable exception and that is the first commemorative stamp issued in coil form. 8 Edison coil plates went to press and these range from scarce to rare. The 2c Clark stamp was a bicolor issue and there were 12 frame and 12 center plates. Combination collectors had fun with this one with 144 combinations and a total of 288 positions to locate.

History was made in the air mail stamps with the introduction of the first commemorative booklet. Four flat plates went to press to print the Lindbergh stamp in booklet form. The plate number arrangement on these stamps was similar to rotary plates so plate numbers appeared only on panes that were somewhat miscut. Partial plate numbers on these panes are quite scarce. The 5c beacon air mail had all of its plates assigned and used in this section. 55 frame plates and 43 center plates went to press. The four center plates 19636-7-8-9 each produced only 100 impressions. Only 19639 is reported. The Durland catalog says over 1000 plate combinations have been

reported. The expense of the plate blocks would deter most collectors from attempting to collect combinations of this fascinating stamp.

The 10c, 15, and 20c special handling stamps were issued and had four plates each. These plates had a long life and dry printings were made in the 1950s of these stamps. The 2c postage due stamp had 8 plates to press and some of these are tough. Four 5c dues went to press and these plates are hard to find. Four plates were used to print the 30c due and each plate printed only 500 impressions. Copies were found but these plates are still hard to locate.

The totals for the 19000 section show 894 plates to press with 26 unreported. The 4th Bureau series coils and booklets provide most of the challenge for the collector. This is a fascinating series with much variety. Overprints on the 2c Washington produced the Molly Pitcher and Hawaii commemoratives and some of the 4th Bureau plates participated in the Kansas and Nebraska overprint experiment. A high percentage of completion of these plates is really difficult but a good starting goal would be 700 plates which can be done. More thrills await with the 20000 section of plate numbers which we will next check out.

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		19000 Series Totals					
Series	Subject	Plate Type	Assigned	To Press	Available	Unreported	I Have
	(totals)		1000	894	894	26	
4th Bureau Series							
1925	0.5c Hale	400R	4	4	4	0	
1922	1c Franklin	400R	34	34	34	0	
1922	1c Franklin book	360R	14	10	10	0	
1922	1c Franklin coil	170R	19	19	19	1	
1925	1.5c Harding	400R	22	20	20	0	
1925	1.5c Harding coil	170R	16	8	8	0	
1922	2c Washington	400R	256	253	253	0	
1922	2c Washington Die II	400R	6	6	6	0	
1922	2c Washington book	360R	48	48	48	0	
1922	2c Washington coil	150R	5	2	2	0	
1922	2c Washington coil	170R	138	136	136	19	
1922	2c Washington Die II coil	170R	10	9	9	3	
1922	3c Lincoln	400R	6	6	6	0	
1922	4c M. Washington	400R	6	0	0		
1922	5c Roosevelt	400R	10	4	4	0	
1922	6c Garfield	400R	4	0	0		
1922	7c McKinley	400R	12	4	4	0	
1922	8c Grant	400R	10	10	10	0	
1922	9c Jefferson	400R	10	6	6	0	
1922	10c Monroe	400R	14	12	12	0	
1922	11c Hayes	400F	5	4	4	0	
1922	12c Cleveland	400F	7	4	4	0	
1925	13c Harrison	400F	6	6	6	0	
1922	14c Indian	400F	8	8	8	0	
1922	15c Statue of Liberty	400F	6	6	6	0	
1925	17c Wilson	400F	8	0	0		
1922	20c Golden Gate	400F	10	10	10	0	
1922	50c Amphitheater	400F	8	4	4	0	
Commemorative							
1927	2c Vermont	400F	8	8	8	0	
1927	2c Burgoyne	200F	10	10	10	0	
1928	2c Valley Forge	400F	13	8	8	0	
1928	2c Aeronautics	200F	16	16	16	0	
1928	5c Aeronautics	200F	4	4	4	0	
1929	2c Clark frame	100F	12	12	12	0	
1929	2c Clark center	200F	12	12	12	0	
1929	2c Edison	400F	4	4	4	0	
1929	2c Edison	400R	8	8	8	0	
1929	2c Edison coil	170R	8	8	8	0	
1929	2c Sullivan	400F	9	4	4	0	
1929	2c Fallen Timbers	400F	8	8	8	0	
1929	2c Ohio River	400F	4	4	4	0	
Special Purpose Issues							

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1927	10c Lindbergh Air Mail	200F	13	9	9	0	
1927	10c Lindbergh Air Mail book	180F	4	4	4	0	
1928	5c Beacon Air Mail frame	100F	71	55	55	0	
1928	5c Beacon Air Mail center	100F	44	43	43	3	
1930	5c Winged Globe	200F	8	8	8	0	
1922	10c Special Delivery	200R	11	8	8	0	
1928	10c Special Handling	200F	4	4	4	0	
1928	15c Special Handling	200F	4	4	4	0	
1928	20c Special Handling	200F	4	4	4	0	
1894	2c Postage Due	400F	8	8	8	0	
1894	5c Postage Due	400F	6	4	4	0	
1894	30c Postage Due	400F	4	4	4	0	
1925	0.5c Postage Due	400F	1	0	0		



F 19000



F 19001



19002



F 19004



19005



F 19008

19006



19007



19009



19010



19011



19012  
2c Washington  
rotary  
not finished

19013-19016  
10c Lindbergh  
not used

19017



19018



19019



19020



19021











19049  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19050  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19051  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19052  
2c Washington  
side coil  
unreported











19090  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19091  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19092  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19093  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection



19102  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection



19103  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection



19113-19114  
5c Roosevelt  
rotary  
not used



19127-19130  
17c Wilson  
not used





19147-19148  
4c M. Washington  
rotary  
not used







19155-19156  
4c M. Washington  
rotary  
not used



19164  
12c Cleveland  
not used



19169-19170  
4c M. Washington  
rotary  
not used



19177-19180  
2c Washington  
side coil  
unreported





19183  
2c Washington book  
rotary  
rare, not in collection

19184  
2c Washington book  
rotary  
rare, not in collection







19207-19208  
5c Roosevelt  
rotary  
not used



19219  
2c Washington  
side coil  
unreported

19220  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection





19223  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19224  
2c Washington  
side coil  
unreported

19225-19226  
5c Roosevelt  
rotary  
not used



19229  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19230  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19231  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection















19286  
2c Washington  
end coil  
not used

19287  
2c Washington  
end coil  
rare, not in collection



19288  
2c Washington  
end coil  
not finished



19294-19295  
1.5c Harding  
rotary  
not used

19296-19299  
6c Garfield  
rotary  
not used



19306  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19307  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19308  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19309  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19310  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19311  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19312  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19313  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection







19321  
1.5c Harding  
side coil  
rare, not in collection





19324  
1.5c Harding  
side coil  
rare, not in collection



19326  
1.5c Harding  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19327  
1.5c Harding  
side coil  
rare, not in collection











19356  
1c Franklin  
side coil  
unreported



19359  
2c Washington book  
rotary  
rare, not in collection

19360  
2c Washington book  
rotary  
rare, not in collection







19363-19366  
1.5c Harding  
side coil  
not used

19367  
2c Washington  
side coil  
unreported

19368  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19369  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19370  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19371  
2c Washington  
end coil  
not used







19386  
2c Washington  
side coil  
unreported

19387  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19388  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19389  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19390-19393  
1.5c Harding  
side coil  
not used

19394  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19395  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19396  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection



19397  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection



19404  
2c Washington book  
rotary  
rare, not in collection





19410-19413  
50c Amphitheater  
not used



19423  
2c Washington  
rotary  
not used



19425  
10c Lindbergh book  
side coil  
rare, not in collection







19443-19444  
12c Cleveland  
not used

19445  
11c Hayes  
not used



19450  
2c Washington  
side coil  
unreported



19451  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19452  
2c Washington  
rotary  
not finished



19460  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19461  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection



19464-19467  
17c Wilson  
not used



19469



19470

19471  
2c Washington  
side coil  
unreported

19472  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19473  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19474  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection



19475



19476



19477



19478



19479



19480



19481





19483  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19484  
2c Washington  
side coil  
unreported

19485  
2c Washington  
side coil  
unreported

19486  
2c Washington  
side coil  
unreported

19487-19488  
7c McKinley  
not used



19491-19492  
2c Washington  
side coil  
unreported



19498  
2c Washington  
side coil  
not finished

19499  
2c Washington  
side coil  
unreported



19503  
2c Valley Forge  
not used



19508-19511  
7c McKinley  
rotary  
not used

19512  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19513  
2c Washington  
side coil  
unreported

19514  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19515  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection



19516  
2c Washington  
side coil  
unreported

19517  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection



19520-19521  
7c McKinley  
rotary  
not used

19522-19523  
10c Monroe  
rotary  
not used

19524  
2c Washington  
side coil  
unreported

19525-19528  
2c Valley Forge  
not used



19533  
2c Washington  
side coil  
unreported

19534  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19535  
2c Washington  
side coil  
unreported

19536  
2c Washington  
side coil  
unreported





19539  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19540  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection









F 19573



F 19574



19575



F 19623



F

19576



F

19577



F

19578



19579



F 19580



19581  
1c Franklin  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19582  
1c Franklin  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19583  
1c Franklin  
side coil  
rare, not in collection



19584  
1c Franklin  
side coil  
rare, not in collection











19627  
5c Beacon  
frame  
(missing)







19636-19638  
5c Beacon Air Mail  
center  
unreported

19639  
5c Beacon Air Mail  
center  
unique, not in collection

19640-19643  
5c Beacon Air Mail  
frame  
not used





19656



19657



19658



19659



19661



19660



19662



19663



19664



19665



19666



19667



19668



19669



19670



19671



19672



19673



19674





19682-19684  
2c Washington  
side coil die II  
unreported



19686  
2c Washington  
side coil die II  
rare, not in collection

19587  
2c Washington  
side coil die II  
not finished





19692



19693



F 19694



19695  
5c Beacon Air Mail  
center  
not used

F 19696



F 19689



F 19697



19698



F 19699



F 19700



19701



19702



F 19703



19704-19707  
5c Beacon Air Mail  
frame  
not used

19708



19709



19710



19711



19712-19719  
5c Beacon Air Mail  
frame  
not used









19749  
2c Washington  
side coil die II  
rare, not in collection

19750  
2c Washington  
side coil die II  
rare, not in collection

19751  
2c Washington  
side coil die II  
unreported

19752  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19753  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection



19754  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19755  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection



19764  
.5c Postage Due  
not used



19765  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19766  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19767  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19768  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19769  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19770  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19771  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19772  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19773  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19774  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection



19775



19776



19777



19778



19779



19783



19784



19785



19786



19787  
2c Sullivan  
not used

19788-19791  
9c Jefferson  
rotary  
not used

19792



19793



19796



19797



19798-19801  
2c Sullivan  
not used







19814  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19815  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19816  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19817  
2c Washington  
side coil die II  
unreported

19818  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection



19819  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19820  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19821  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19822  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

19823  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection



19832  
2c Washington  
side coil  
not finished

19833  
2c Washington  
side coil  
rare, not in collection

















19879-19880  
5c Postage Due  
not used



















19933-19934  
1c Franklin book  
rotary  
not used

19935-19936  
10c Special Delivery  
rotary  
not used







19947



19948



19949



19950



19951



19952

19953-19954  
1c Franklin book  
rotary  
not used



19955



19956

19957  
10c Special Delivery  
rotary  
not used



19958



19959



19960

19960



19961

19961



19962



19963

19963





19972  
2c Washington book  
rotary  
rare, not in collection









