Chapter 30

Plate Numbers 22000-22999

Plate number 22000 was assigned to the 2c Adams stamp in June, 1938 and plate 22999 to the 2c United Nations stamp in January, 1943. The 22000 section saw all values of the new Presidential series introduced. Technological changes included conversion to electric eye plates. We see the impact of the war years as commemorative stamp production seemed to almost end and the special National Defense stamps and the Win the War stamps were issued. These stamps supplanted their Presidential series counterparts during these trying times. Postal savings made a comeback with two new issues using plates assigned in the postage stamp series. War savings stamps were also issued but these plates were given numbers in the miscellaneous plate number series.

514 of the plates in this section were assigned to the Presidentials, the 5th Bureau series, and 471 went to press with 5 plates, all coils, unreported. The conversion to electric eye plates involves all denominations except the dollar values which were printed on the flat plate presses. Many of the higher value plates were available in the post offices for years. This series was very heavily collected and during that time many of the scarcer plates commanded high premiums. Today, there are probably few collectors trying to obtain matched sets in this series and the scarcer numbers should be plentiful. One exception on the sheet plates is the famous 20c Garfield plate 22176. This plate was originally reported as canceled with no impressions but when a copy turned up, the BEP said 2550 copies were printed. Apparently this plate was at post offices in the St. Louis area and eventually all positions were found but this will be the hardest sheet plate to find.

The hard parts of this section are the booklet and coil plates. Most plates that were found resulted in many copies being saved but some plates are scarce to rare. I have a line pair of the 10c Tyler coil with only about 10% of the plate number showing which I got very early in my plate number collecting pursuits. The bottom part of the number shows which makes it easy to identify as plate 22102. This plate, along with 22103, went to press in July, 1954! Only 3300 impressions were made from each of these plates. When I found out this was an unreported plate, I made the report and this may still be the only known copy. I wish I could have remembered where I got this pair because the companion plate was obviously in the same roll. But if I got the pair from a dealer, then somewhere there may be other unrecognized copies of 22102 and 22103, so never stop looking!

The dollar values provided action for the combination collectors but it was an expensive undertaking. A \$5 plate block was a lot of money in the 1940s. The dollar values originally appeared with arrows between the plate numbers. These arrows were later removed and all plate number combinations consisting of only 22000 section plate numbers exist both with and without these arrows.

Commemoratives were active through 1940 with the most notable item being the long set of 35 Famous Americans. After that, there were only a handful of commems for the remainder of the 22000 section. The 1c, 2c, and 3c national defense issues came out in 1940. This issue had a long and widespread run using 100 plates. Some are a bit scarcer than the others but none are rare. The entry of the US into World War II prompted the 3c Win the War and the 2c United Nations stamps. 343 commemorative plates were assigned and 289 went to press.

The air mail stamps continued to be active. The 6c eagle bicolor ended its run with 4 frame and 4 center plates which added to the proliferation of combinations already available on this stamp. This stamp was very popular and many thousands of plates were probably saved, but it seems to be a somewhat expensive plate block today which might discourage potential combination collectors. The transport air mail stamps were issued in 1941 with the four 6c booklet plates being the toughest to find. 78 air mail plates were assigned and 38 were used.

22 special delivery and postage due plates went to press and these are easy to locate. A new set of postal savings stamps was issued in 1940. These had a short life and the 6 plates can be troublesome to find. Plate 22545, the \$1 value, printed only 700 impressions. None of the plates used printed more than 1700 impressions. The 1941 issue used more plates but was available longer and is much easier to find. 9 plates were used on the large \$5 stamp. This is a very handsome issue which adds to the eye appeal of a consecutive number collection.

The 22000 series is one of the easy sections and a high percentage of completion is possible. 850 plates went to press with 5 unreported. An aggressive collector should be able to locate 800 of these plates without enormous effort. This is a very interesting and colorful section. The war years continue with the 23000 section which is next on the agenda.

		22000 Ser	ies Totals				
Series	Subject	Plate Type	Assigned	To Press	Available	Unreported	I Have
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	(totals)		1000	849	849	5	
5th Bureau Series							
1938	0.5c Franklin	400R	6	6	6	0	
1938	1c Washington	400R	49	46	46	0	
1938	1c Washington book	360R	18	14	14	0	
1938	1c Washington coil	150R	8	2	2	0	
1938	1c Washington coil	170R	17	16	16	0	
1938	1.5c M. Washington	400R	38	38	38	0	
1938	1.5c M. Washington coil	150R	4	4	4	2	
1938	1.5c M. Washington coil	170R	8	8	8	0	
1938	2c Adams	400R	35	35	35	0	
1938	2c Adams book	360R	13	6	6	0	
1938	2c Adams coil	150R	4	2	2	0	
1938	2c Adams coil	170R	24	24	24	0	
1938	3c Jefferson	400R	64	64	64	0	
1938	3c Jefferson book	360R	20	14	14	0	
1938	3c Jefferson coil	150R	4	2	2	0	
1938	3c Jefferson coil	170R	36	32	32	2	
1938	4c Madison	400R	4	4	4	0	
1938	4c Madison coil	170R	4	4	4	0	
1938	4.5c White House	400R	3	3	3	0	
1938	4.5c White House coil	170R	4	2	2	0	
1938	5c Monroe	400R	10	10	10	0	
1938	5c Monroe coil	170R	4	4	4	0	
	6c J. Q. Adams	400R	4	4	4	0	
	6c J. Q. Adams coil	170R	4	4	4	0	
	7c Jackson	400R	8	6	6	0	
	8c van Buren	400R	5	5	5	0	
	9c Harrison	400R	8	6	6	0	
1938	10c Tyler	400R	10	10	10	0	
	10c Tyler coil	170R	4	4	4	1	
	11c Polk	400R	5	5	5	0	
	12c Taylor	400R	5	5	5	0	
	13c Fillmore	400R	5	5	5	0	
	14c Pierce	400R	5	5	5	0	
	15c Buchanan	400R	7	7	7	0	
	16c Lincoln	400R	4	4	4	0	
	17c Johnson	400R	5	5	5	0	
	18c Grant	400R	4	4	4	0	
	19c Hayes	400R	4	4	4	0	
	20c Garfield	400R	6	6	6	0	
	21c Arthur	400R	4	4	4	0	
	22c Cleveland	400R	6	4	4	0	
	24c Harrison	400R	4	4	4	0	
	25c McKinley	400R	4	4	4	0	
	30c Roosevelt	400R	4	4	4	0	
	50c Taft	400R	6	6		0	
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	\$1 Wilson center	100F	4	4	4	0
	\$2 Harding frame	100F	2	2	2	0
	\$2 Harding center	100F	2	2	2	0
	\$5 Coolidge frame	100F	2	2	2	0
1938	\$5 Coolidge center	100F	2	2	2	0
Comm	emorative					
1938	3c NW Territory	400R	4	4	4	0
1938	3c Iowa Territory	200R	3	2	2	0
	3c Golden Gate Bridge	200R	4	4	4	0
	3c New York Fair	200R	4	4	4	0
1939	3c Washington Inaugural	200F	9	9	9	0
	3c Panama Canal	200F	13	8	8	0
	3c Baseball	200R	4	4	4	0
	3c Printing Press	200R	5	4	4	0
	3c Four States	200R	8	4	4	0
	1c Irving	280R	4	2	2	0
	2c Cooper	280R	4	4	4	0
	3c Emerson	280R	4	4	4	0
	5c Alcott	280R	4	2	2	0
	10c Clemens	280R	4	2	2	0
		280R	3	2	2	0
	1c Longfellow 2c Whittier		3	2	2	0
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	3c Lowell	280R			2	0
	5c Whitman	280R	3	2	2	0
	10c Riley	280R	3	2	2	0
	1c Mann	280R	3	2	2	0
	2c Hopkins	280R	3	2	2	0
	3c Eliot	280R	3	2	2	0
	5c Willard	280R	3	2	2	0
	10c Washington	280R	3	2	2	0
	1c Audubon	280R	3	2	2	0
	2c Long	280R	3	2	2	0
	3c Burbank	280R	3	2	2	0
	5c Reed	280R	3	2	2	0
	10c Addams	280R	3	2	2	0
	1c Foster	280R	3	2	2	0
-	2c Sousa	280R	3	2	2	0
	3c Herbert	280R	3	2	2	0
	5c MacDowell	280R	3	2	2	0
	10c Nevin	280R	3	2	2	0
1940	1c Stuart	280R	3	2	2	0
	2c Whistler	280R	6	2	2	0
1940	3c Saint-Gaudens	280R	3	2	2	0
1940	5c French	280R	3	2	2	0
1940	10c Remington	280R	3	2	2	0
	1c Whitney	280R	3	2	2	0
	2c Morse	280R	3	2	2	0
	3c McCormick	280R	3	2	2	0
	5c Howe	280R	3	2	2	0
	10c Bell	280R	3	2	2	0
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	3c Pan-American Union	200R	3	2	2	0	
	3c Pony Express	200R	4	4	4	0	
	3c Wyoming	200R	4	4	4	0	
	3c Idaho	200R	4	4	4	0	
	3c Coronado	200R	4	4	4	0	
	3c 13th Amendment	200R	4	4	4	0	
1940	1c National Defense	400R	28	28	28	0	
1940	2c National Defense	400R	28	28	28	0	
1940	3c National Defense	400R	44	44	44	0	
1940	3c Vermont	200R	3	2	2	0	
1940	3c Kentucky	200R	3	2	2	0	
1942	3c Win the War	400R	30	30	30	0	
1942	5c China	200R	3	2	2	0	
	2c United Nations	400R	14	14	14	0	
Specia	l Purpose Issues						
	6c Eagle frame	100F	20	4	4	0	
	6c Eagle center	50F	22	4	4	0	
	30c Winged Globe	200F	4	4	4	0	
	6c Transport	200R	8	8	8	0	
	6c Transport book	180R	4	4	4	0	
	10c Transport	200R	4	4	4	0	
	15c Transport	200R	4	4	4	0	
	20c Transport	200R	4	2	2	0	
	30c Transport	200R	4	2	2	0	
	50c Transport	200R 200R	4	2	2	0	
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	0.5c Postage Due	400R	2	2	2	0	
	1c Postage Due	400R	2	2	2	0	
	2c Postage Due	400R	2	2	2	0	
	3c Postage Due	400R	4	4	4	0	
	5c Postage Due	400R	2	2	2	0	
	10c Postage Due	400R	2	2	2	0	
	30c Postage Due	400R	2	2	2	0	
1930	50c Postage Due	400R	2	2	2	0	
	10c Postal Savings	400F	2		2	0	
1940	25c Postal Savings	400F	2	2	2	0	
1940	50c Postal Savings	400F	1	1	1	0	
1940	\$1 Postal Savings	400F	1	1	1	0	
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1941	10c Postal Savings	400R	4	4	4	0	
	25c Postal Savings	400R	4	4	4	0	
	50c Postal Savings	400R	4	4	4	0	
	\$1 Postal Savings	400R	4	2	2	0	
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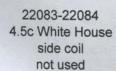






























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22103 10c Tyler side coil rare, not in collection











22128 3c Jefferson side coil not finished





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22176 20c Garfield rare, not in collection 22177-22178 3c Jefferson side coil not finished





22181-22182 1c Washington end coil not used









22187-22188 3c Jefferson side coil not finished













22195-22196 3c Jefferson book not used









22201-22202 1c Washington book not finished

















22208-22209 1.5c M. Washington end coil unreported











































22217-22218 3c Jefferson book not used





































22223-2224
3c Jefferson
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22252 1c Washington side coil not used





































22303-22306 1c Washington end coil not used



































































22374-22375 1c Washington not finished 22376-22379 3c Panama Canal not finished

22380 1c Washington not used























22391 2c Adams book not finished



22393 3c Panama Canal not used

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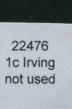




























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10c Clemens

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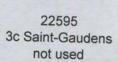




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22604 2c Whistler not used 22605-22614 6c Eagle Airmail center not used



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22633 10c Bell not used





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22639-22642 6c Eagle Airmail frame not used

22643-22644 2c Adams book not used























22657-22660 6c Eagle Airmail frame not used



























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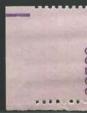






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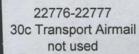
















22780-22781 50c Transport Airmail not used



























































































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22956 5c China not finished









































