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## FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

**GARY DOUGLAS**

Before you journey through this issue, please be aware of your physical surroundings, in case you fall into a perfin-like trance (I realize that any information about perfins can be hypnotic)!

Over the past five years, I have purchased about 30,000+ worldwide perfins, mostly collections from large auction houses, being sold by people getting rid of "damaged" stamps, perfins. My guess is that 25% of these collections contain stamps with blind or missing pins. Less than 200 of the total are Canadian and far less Newfoundland. A novice collector of Canadian perfins certainly would have a poor collection indeed given these "statistics". My suggestion for the novice perfin collector, is to become acquainted and involved with the local stamp club in their area, and gather as much information available about specialized perfin clubs.

I have included on page 6 a small card with a selection of fancy perfins with a few sought after more than others. My personal favourite is the Cardiff shield. The next time you go to your local stamp show, bring along some fancy perfins, because you never know who may be interested in them.

We will be continuing to compile a list of e-mail addresses, which will be published in future We will be continuing to compile a list of e-mail addresses, to be published in future newsletters. Please send me your e-mail address to [douglas4@attcanada.ca](mailto:douglas4@attcanada.ca).

These next few lines I am actually typing myself, so therefore 99.7% of this newsletter has been typed by my wife, Nina. In fact, Nina has been most instrumental in assisting me in putting this newsletter together. Without my wife's input, these issues would be quite bland. Therefore, WE hope to improve each and every issue.

### ANNOUNCEMENT

The tentative date scheduled for the BNA Perfins Study Group Seminar is 1:00 - 2:30 p.m., Thursday, August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2000 during BNAPEX 2000, being held in Schaumburg, IL. For more information, please contact Barry Senior.

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**A warm welcome to all of you.**

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## DUES & DONT'S

The following members are paid up for the current year, and **IF YOU NAME IS NOT HERE:** please send the appropriate amount, preferably by cheque, payable to The Perfins Study Group, c/o Steve Koning, whose address is on the front of this issue.

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To defray the costs of mail, US members pay \$5.00 US, Canadian members pay \$5.00 CDN, all others pay \$10.00 CDN. The membership is annual. It helps with bookkeeping if members pay dues for more than one year at one time. Our current balance is \$697.08, and we have no outstanding debts.

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# FYI

**JON JOHNSON**

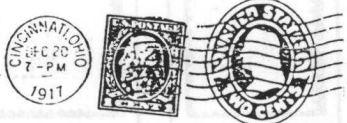
For Christmas '99, my wife gave me a copy of the new United States perfin catalogue. I have finally found the time to begin to read it and was pleasantly surprised to see seven new identifications for our Canadian perfin handbook. They are:

A10	Auto-Strop Safety Razor Company	New York, NY
D11	Dillon Read & Company	New York, NY
M26	Minneapolis Threshing Machine Co.	Hopkins, MN
P18	Paine - Webber & Company	Chicago, IL
S22	Standard Accident Insurance of Detroit	Detroit, MI
V2	Bennett's Magazine Agency	Chicago, IL
#2	Will Rossiter Music Company	Chicago, IL

And as a reminder to those of you who are concerned about filling in those 'A' holes in your collection. I use the real thing, US stamps which have been through the same machine. Below are a few US covers with perfins which would be 'A's if they had been posed on our side of the border.

*Cdn L2 US use 1908-26*

AFTER FIVE DAYS RETURN TO  
THE LUNKENHEIMER CO.  
CINCINNATI, OHIO



*Washburn & Garfield Mfg. Co.  
Foster St.  
Worcester, Mass.*

*Cdn 012 US use 1914-17*

RETURN IN FIVE DAYS  
THE ONTARIO POWER COMPANY OF NIAGARA FALLS  
NIAGARA FALLS



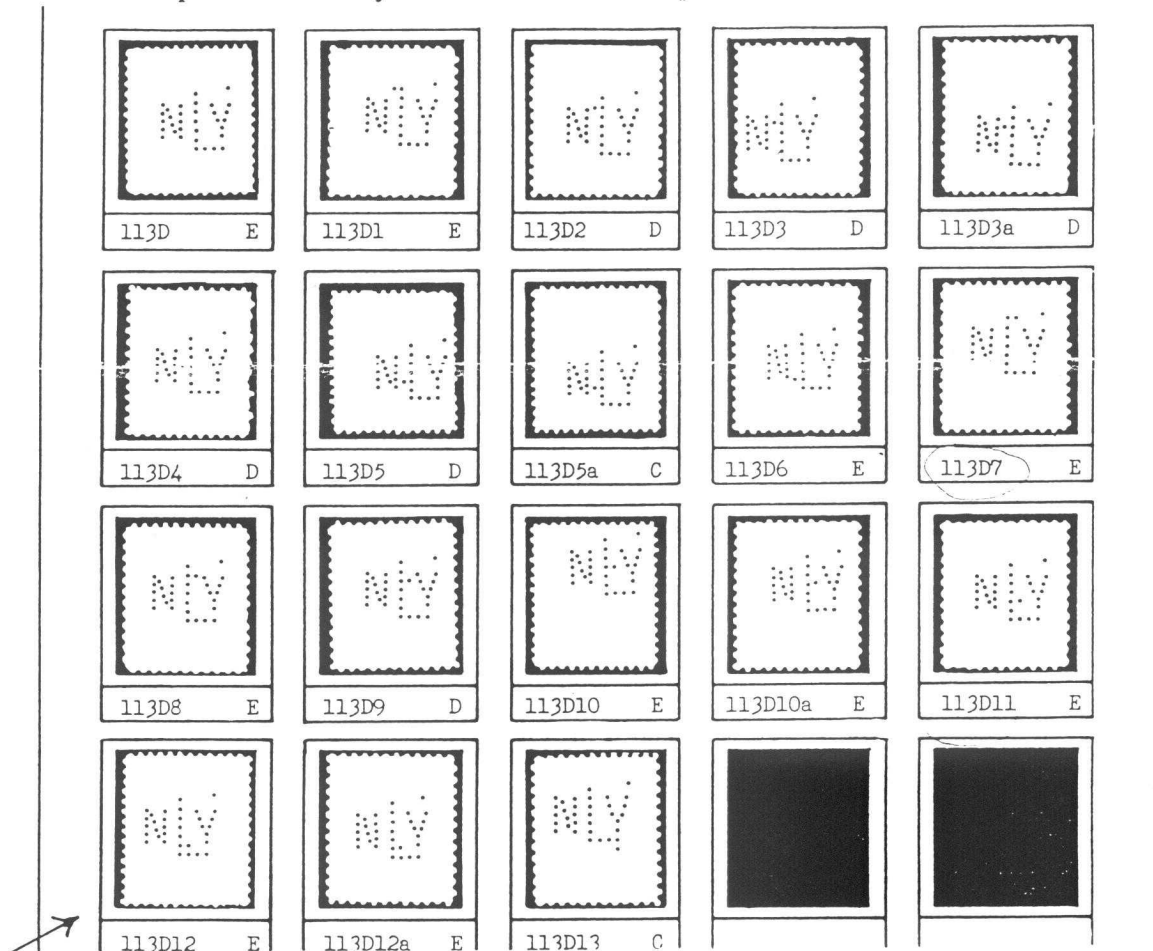
*The Boston Co.,  
Worcester,  
Mass*

# NEIL F. DOWSLEY

While looking over a recently acquired batch of Canadian perfin patterns, I found a perfin pattern on a red 2¢ admiral (Scott #106) that was not listed in our Canadian Stamps with Perforated Initials (1985). I then went to Baloughs 1979 Catalogue of United States Perfins and found the pattern listed on page 330 as #113D12 New York Life Insurance Company from Seattle, Washington.

Finding this pattern from Seattle on a Canadian stamp here in Victoria makes some sense. While the Vancouver NYL office probably considered its territory, there was likely some rivalry or overlap with the Seattle NYL office. Steamer connections to both cities from Victoria were equally available and frequent.

I enclose some photocopies both normal and blown up. It is in the number 7 position and both the N & L are incomplete but the key holes are there for easy identification.



## MEMORIES OF PERFILEX '97

**Ron Whyte**

I just wanted to share with everybody my experiences while at the PERFILEX '97 with my wife, June. Where, incidentally, I met at least two heavy Canadian perfin collectors. Which leads me to wonder how many others are out there who are not in our group!

The Perfin Exhibition was very successful with over 300 in attendance, with 15 new members, which included yours truly. I am the new owner of the PC/N Catalogue on Perfins, so all I have to do is take a course in reading Dutch! Thank God for some Dutch friends.

While there, I met Mr. Bob Dedecker, one of the editors of the French 'Ancoper' perfin catalogue; Mr. Jan Verhoeven of the Dutch catalogue; Mr. Ruud Hammink, the king of Pokos with at least 8 catalogues on the subject; Mr. Hammink's partner in the update of the Belgium catalogue; and the editor of the German catalogue (to whom I gave a Canadian souvenir). I would have liked to bring the German catalogue back with me, but it was too expensive and too heavy to handle. Double the US catalogue and add another 3 ring and you've got the picture! Beautifully done!

I think there was one perfin collector from Brazil; and although there might have been some from the US, I didn't meet them; and of course, yours truly (the only Canadian!).

Save your Pokos, I think they are the hottest perfin to be collected in Europe! And of course syncopated ones too! You might compare them with our precancel/perfins.

Good Hunting!

## QUESTIONS

"I recently obtained a copy of the so-called snowflake design perfin type punch, shown on page 114 in the handbook, on an NFR4 revenue and I have tried to ascertain the name of the user. Does anybody, by any chance, have any information on this punch?" - Marcus B. Fennell

"A brief note in the March issue of The Perfin Bulletin on White Pass & Yukon Railway, W.11, mentions that this user is listed in the US catalogue as design W171 and known on US stamps issued between 1902 and 1918. Our American friends assign Skagway, Alaska as the home base while our catalogue shows it to be Whitehorse, YT. This prompts the question: is this a Canadian user punching US stamps or vice versa? My records show Scott 89, 90, 91, 93, 104, 106, 111, 116, 135, MR3 and MR4 were all known punched with design W.11, and all fit within the time period of issuance mentioned in The Perfin Bulletin. Does anyone know more details about this user?" - Michael Dicketts

**If anyone has any questions, please submit them to the Editor, all inquiries are welcome.**

## FOREIGN CONTENT

Here is a copy of GB cat. no. 112, 1½p, cancelled by London hooded circle, Dec. 11, 1897. The perfin is PL/LD, number 2990.01, (Tomkins Catalogue of Identified G.B. Perfins, 7<sup>th</sup> Edition). The cancel does not appear to be faded in any way and the violet portion of the printing is missing. Even if this was treated chemically to remove the violet portion of the printing, how is it that green is still intact, and barely faded?

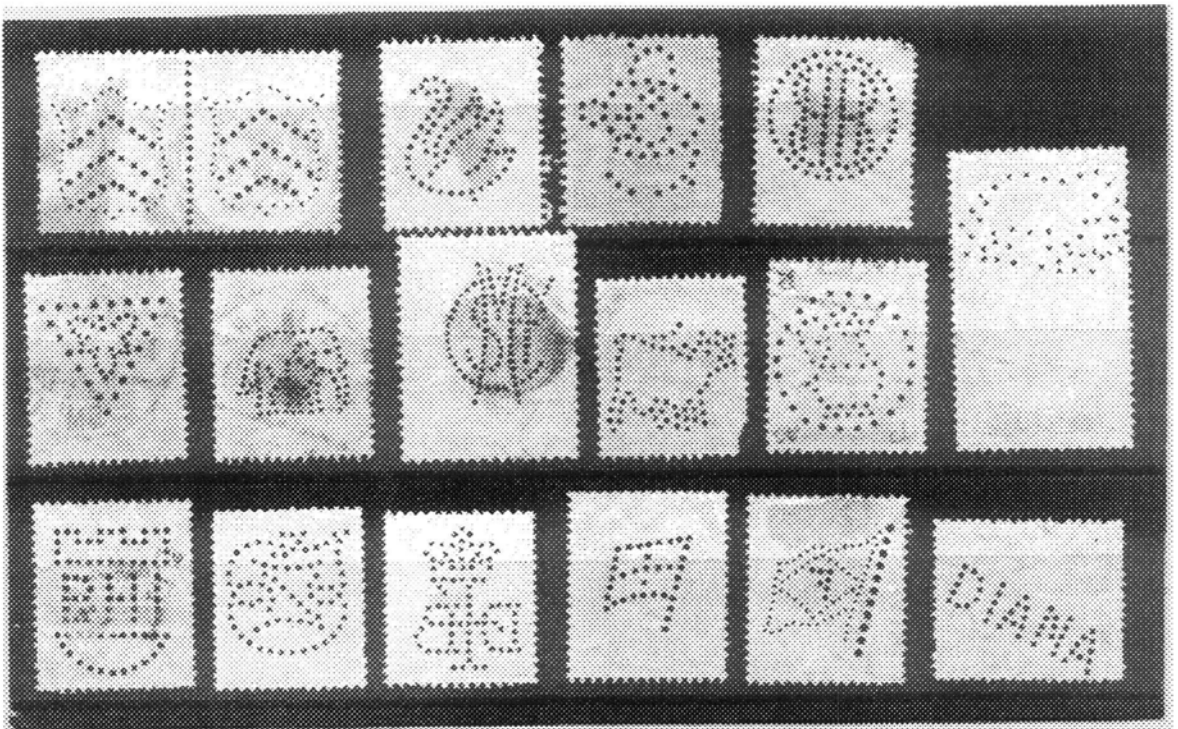
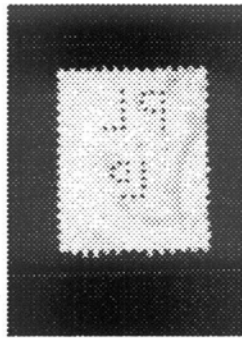
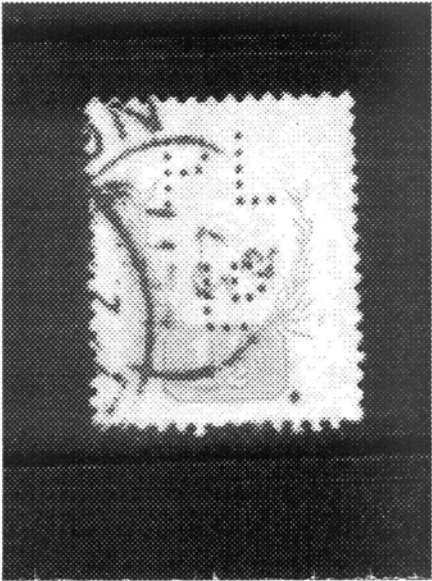


Figure 1

## PERFIN STUDY GROUP AUCTION NO. 16

Welcome to the 16<sup>th</sup> PSG Auction.

This is the first part of two (2) auctions on the rarely seen and offered perfins for sales: the "SUN LIFE" S19.

You will find a great selection of styles and positions for those 19 different cities with a S19 perforator for the first time in an auction and probably the last time as these are relatively rare and uneasy to identify.

**IMPORTANT:** The estimate values represent what should be a fair selling price based on Perfin Factor, the Issues, and in some cases, the rarity of the position to the perfin has been applied on the stamp.

**REMEMBER: The starting bid is always 75% of the Estimate Value.** This is a great occasion to obtain a selection of those "SUN LIFE" perfins rarely seen and offered for sales.

Kindly bid by lot number in 10¢ increments below a dollar and 25¢ increments otherwise. Successful bids will be 10% above the next highest bid, rounded up according to the above increments. The Study Group will charge a 10% commission only on the lots sold, payable by the consignors.

No unlimited bids. In case of tie bids, the first bid received will be accepted. Cash deposit no required. All single perfins are complete and in good condition unless otherwise specified. In larger lots or mixes, incomplete patterns, split patterns, and duplication are to be expected. All lots returnable if not described, **EXCEPT**, large lots or mixes. Lots must be paid for or returned within **THREE (3)** days of receipt.

Successful bidders will be notified by mail. All lots with a \$100.00 value or more will be sent by registered mail. Mailing cost will be paid by the buyer. Bid by lot number.

Please send bids to: Conrad M. Tremblay  
3259 Lookout Park  
Rawdon, Quebec  
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Or call (514) 834-3052.

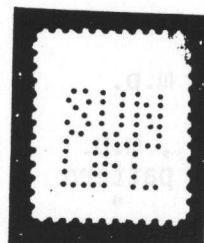
All bids will be in Canadian funds. Payments in US funds accepted at the current rate of exchange.

Good luck in your bidding.

The Perfin Study Group members thank you for your participation.

Perfins wanted for the Fall Auction.

**BIDDING CLOSSES ON AUGUST 11, 2000**



Broken "E" variety.

Lot #	Lot No.	S19.1 HALIFAX' N.S.	PF G	56	218-1	4.00
	1	109-1 (d.1)' THIN	2.00	57	-7	4.00
	2	166-1	3.00	58	219-5	4.00
	3	-6	2.50	59	-7	4.00
	4	167-1	3.00	60	233-5 Proulx #2262	5.00
	5	-7	2.50	61	150-5	3.00
	6	190-5 m.p.	3.00	S19.2 SAINT JOHN' N.B.		PF F
	7	-2 "	3.00	62	175-3	4.00
	8	-3 "	3.00	63	190-1 Split	2.00
	9	-4 "	2.50	64	195-1 Split	.75
	10	-5 "	3.50	65	-3	1.00
	11	-6 "	2.50	66	196-1	.75
	12	-7 "	3.50	67	197-1	.75
	13	-8 "	2.50	68	-3	1.50
	14	192-1 "	2.50	69	198-1	5.00
	15	-4 "	2.50	70	199-1	1.00
	16	-6 "	3.00	71	200-1 One corner off	3.00
	17	-8 "	3.00	72	219-1	4.00
	18	195-1	2.00	S19.3 QUEBEC, P.Q.		PF F
	19	-2 Split	.75	73	104-1	2.50
	20	-2X Extra holes, m.p.	1.00	74	-1 S.E.	2.50
	21	-4 m.p.	.75	75	105i-1 (die 2)	3.00
	22	-4 Extra holes, m.p.	1.00	76	107-1 Wet ptg.	3.00
	23	-6 m.p.	.75	77	107iv-1 Dry ptg.	2.50
	24	-6X Extra holes, m.p.	1.00	78	108-1 Wet ptg.	2.50
	25	-7 m.p.	2.00	79	108i-1 Wet ptg.	2.50
	26	-8 m.p.	.75	80	108i-1 Wet ptg., s.e.	2.50
	27	-8X Extra holes, m.p.	1.00	81	109-1 (die 1)	3.00
	28	196-2 m.p.	1.00	82	109-1 (d.1) "E" var.	2.00
	29	-2X Xtra h., m.p.	1.50	83	150-1	2.00
	30	-4 m.p.	1.00	84	-1 "E" variety	3.00
	31	-4X Xtra h., m.p.	1.50	85	154-1	10.00
	32	-5 m.p.	1.50	86	-1 "E" var.	12.00
	33	-6 m.p.	.75	87	155-1	3.00
	34	-6X Xtra h., m.p.	1.00	88	163-1 "E" var.	4.00
	35	-8 m.p.	.75	89	164-1	2.00
	36	197-2 m.p.	.50	90	165-1	1.50
	37	-3 m.p.	1.00	91	165a-1 (die 1)	2.00
	38	-4 m.p.	.50	92	165a-1 " "E" var.	2.50
	39	-6 m.p.	.50	93	166-1	2.00
	40	-6X Xtra h., m.p.	1.00	94	-1 "E" var.	2.50
	41	-8 m.p.	.50	95	-5	3.00
	42	197i-2 (d.1), m.p.	2.00	96	167-1	1.50
	43	-4 m.p.	2.00	97	-1 "E" var.	2.00
	44	-6 m.p.	1.50	98	175-1	1.00
	45	-8 m.p.	2.00	99	-1 "E" var.	1.50
	46	199-2 m.p.	1.50	100	-2	2.00
	47	-2X Xtra h., m.p.	2.00	101	-2 "E" var.	2.50
	48	-4 m.p.	1.50	102	-3	1.50
	49	-6 m.p.	1.50	103	-3 "E" var.	2.00
	50	-6X Xtra h., m.p.	2.00	104	-4	2.00
	51	-8 m.p.	1.50	105	-4 "E" var.	2.50
	52	-8X Xtra h., m.p.	2.00	106	192-1	4.00
	53	212-1 Complete pattern	4.00	107	194-1	10.00
	54	-3 " "	4.00	108	195-1	.50
	55	-7 " "	4.00	109	-1 "E" var.	1.00



Lot #

Est.  
value

S19.3 QUEBEC, P.Q. (cont.)			PF F			Est. value
110	195-3		.75	164	190-1	1.00
111	-3	"E" var.	1.00	165	195-1	.75
112	196-1		.75	166	-3	1.50
113	-1	"E" var.	1.00	167	196-1	.75
114	-3		2.00	168	197-1	.50
115	-3	"E" var.	3.00	169	198-1	5.00
116	197-1		.50	170	199-1	1.00
117	-1	"E" var.	1.00	171	200-1	8.00
118	-3		1.50	172	219-1	4.00
119	-3	"E" var.	2.00	S19.5 SHERBROOKE, P.Q. PF F		
120	198-1		5.00	173	109-1 (die 1)	4.00
121	-1	"E" var.	7.00	174	167-1	3.00
122	199-1		1.00	175	-3	3.00
123	-1	"E" var., split	1.50	176	-5	3.00
124	-3		2.00	177	-7	2.50
125	-3	"E" var.	2.50	178	190-1	3.00
126	-4		2.00	179	-5	3.00
127	-4	"E" var.	3.00	180	195-1	2.00
128	200-1		8.00	181	-5	Split pattern 1.50
129	-2	Incomplete pattern	6.00	182	196-1	1.00
130	208-1	"E" var.	6.00	183	-5	1.00
131	-2	Two patterns	8.00	184	197-1	.75
132	217-1		3.00	185	-3	Incomplete pat. 1.50
133	-1	"E" var.	4.00	186	-5	.75
134	218-1		2.50	187	-7	1.50
135	-1	"E" var.	3.00	188	197i-1 (die 1)	2.00
136	219-1		2.00	189	-5	Partial pattern 1.00
137	-1	"E" var.	2.50	190	-7	Incomplete pat. 1.00
138	-3		3.00	191	199-1	1.50
139	-3	"E" var.	4.00	192	-5	2.00
140	221-1		4.00	193	219-1	3.00
141	-3		4.00	194	233-1	3.00
142	233-1		3.50	195	-5	3.00
143	-5	Small tear	2.00	196	235-1	4.00
144	237-1	Few perfs. missing	4.00	197	-5	5.00
145	-1	"E" var.	6.00	S19.6 OTTAWA, ON PF F		
S19.4 TROIS RIVIERES, P.Q. PF F				198	110iii-1 (die 2) dry ptg.	4.00
146	105iv-1	(die 2) dry ptg.	4.00	199	-1	Pair hor. 8.00
147	107-1	Dry ptg.	4.00	200	105iv-1	H. pair (d.,2) 8.00
148	109-1	(die 1)	3.50	201	108-1	Wet ptg. 4.00
149	-5		3.50	202	142-1	4.00
150	142-1		2.00	203	164-1	Hor. pair 8.00
151	149-1		2.00	204	165-1	Hor. pair 8.00
152	150-1		1.50	205	165a-1	Hor. pair, (d.1) 8.00
153	163-1		2.00	206	190-1	2.00
154	163i-3	(die 1)	3.00	207	-3	Inc. pat. 1.50
155	164-1		2.00	208	-5	2.00
156	165-2		2.00	209	-7	2.00
157	-3		3.00	210	195-3	Inc. pat. 1.50
158	166-1		1.50	211	196-1	2.50
159	-3		2.00	212	-3	2.50
160	167-1		1.00	213	-5	2.50
161	175-1		3.00	214	-7	2.50
162	-2		3.50	215	197-1	2.50
163	-4		4.00	216	-3	2.00
				217	-5	Incomplete pat. 2.50

# AUCTION # 15

PRICES REALIZED

UNSOLD AND RETIRED LOTS ARE NOT LISTED

2 - 1.00	61 - .75	151 - .75	222 - 1.75	294 - 7.50
3 - 6.75	62 - .75	157 - 1.75	232 - 3.00	295 - 1.75
7 - 1.25	63 - .50	162 - 1.50	235 - 2.50	297 - 2.25
8 - 2.00	64 - 2.00	167 - 1.50	243 - 3.00	299 - 3.00
10 - .75	65 - 1.50	172 - 2.50	244 - 4.50	300 - 2.25
14 - 9.00	66 - 1.75	173 - .75	245 - 2.75	301 - 1.50
15 - 13.25	67 - 2.25	174 - .75	247 - 2.50	302 - 2.25
16 - 6.00	68 - 3.75	175 - .75	248 - 1.75	303 - 1.00
17 - 18.00	69 - 3.25	177 - 7.50	250 - 2.50	304 - 1.00
25 - 7.50	73 - 1.00	178 - 1.25	252 - 3.00	306 - 4.50
27 - 3.75	77 - .75	179 - 1.75	254 - 3.00	307 - 2.00
31 - .60	78 - .75	180 - 2.75	255 - 1.75	308 - 2.25
32 - .75	79 - 1.25	181 - 1.50	256 - 1.75	309 - 2.25
35 - 1.75	81 - 1.25	182 - .75	257 - 1.50	310 - 4.50
36 - .25	86 - 1.25	184 - 1.50	258 - 1.75	311 - 2.50
37 - 2.25	87 - 2.00	185 - 3.25	260 - 3.00	313 - 15.00
38 - .30	89 - 1.50	186 - 7.75	262 - 4.00	317 - 11.25
39 - .40	91 - .75	187 - 1.50	265 - 4.00	324 - 6.00
40 - .40	98 - .50	189 - .75	266 - 3.00	327 - 6.00
41 - .40	104 - .75	190 - .75	267 - 3.00	328 - 11.00
42 - 3.75	105 - 2.00	191 - .75	268 - 3.00	329 - 7.50
43 - 2.50	106 - 2.25	192 - 2.25	271 - 3.00	330 - 7.50
44 - 2.25	113 - 1.25	193 - 1.75	272 - 6.00	338 - 2.25
45 - 1.50	114 - 2.50	194 - 1.75	273 - 6.00	340 - .75
46 - 2.00	117 - .75	195 - 1.75	277 - 6.75	342 - 2.00
47 - 2.00	118 - 1.00	197 - 2.75	278 - 5.00	343 - 1.50
51 - 3.25	128 - 2.50	198 - 4.00	279 - 3.50	344 - 1.25
52 - 2.25	134 - .75	204 - 16.50	280 - 1.75	346 - 1.25
53 - 2.25	135 - 1.50	207 - 1.25	282 - 5.00	348 - 1.50
54 - 1.50	137 - 3.00	209 - 1.50	288 - 3.00	349 - 6.00
55 - 3.00	140 - .65	213 - 2.75	289 - 1.50	350 - 5.50
58 - 3.75	147 - 2.50	218 - 7.50	290 - 2.75	ADP 312 - 15.00
59 - 2.25	149 - .75	219 - 6.00	291 - 1.50	314 - 18.7
60 - 3.50	150 - 1.50	221 - 4.00	292 - 1.50	316 - 11.25
				321 - 22.50