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New GO Letter

A new variety of GL8 has been reported by Terrie Woodrow. And it looks like it's an error! The GO Letter Update, continued from last issue, begins on page 50.

Canada Air Letter Forerunners

See page 47 for the second part of Pierre Gauthier's article on Canada Air Letter Forerunners and Unstamped Forms. This is important reading for all aerogramme collectors.

A New Special Order Envelope

This is breaking news and I'm afraid it's a bit spotty; I also can't provide an illustration at this time. AGF Mutual Funds has used a 115x245 mm window envelope with an imprinted Year of the Tiger stamp (denominated). The inside of the envelope is adorned with the company's logo. The envelope has been used, so far, to mail 1997 annual statements. More details, next issue!



Horace Harrison's Postal Stationery Potpourri!

Horace Harrison has managed to acquire a vast amount of postal stationery, and postal stationery "fringe" material. Starting in this issue, on page 46, he shares some of it with us.

To Whom it may concern:

I am **Volume** XV, #1. I am communicating with SOME members *from* the future.

G am being HELD hostage by the evil study group treasurer. Please pay your dues, and will be set **FREE**.

Whoa! Scary, huh? I got that in the mail the other day! Dues remain at US\$6.50 or CAN\$8.00.

US members may pay Steven Whitcombe; Canadian members may pay John Grace (734 Aspen Rd., Pickering, Ont. L1V 4H2). If paying by check, please make it out to Steven Whitcombe (or John Grace); NOT to the study group. Thanks!

R.J. Lemire H P.O. Box 1870 Deep River, ON K0J IP0 Canada

New Reports

John Grace reports a new special order envelope of a size not previously known. It is similar to Webb EN525-70/70a, but is $11 \times 8 1/2$ and has a gummed flap with no metal closure. The user was HENDERSON BUSINESS SERVICE LIMITED of Brantford. There is much printing on the front of the envelope, all in red.

Pierre Gauthier reports two new items:

1. an unlisted Gvt. of Canada Dept. of Agriculture envelope (DEN-543-(?)). Dimensions are similar to previous listed envelopes: 5 cents blue WILDING, $6 \times 3 9/16 (153 \times 90 \text{ mm})$, manila, cross flap, no window. Printing in same blue as stamp. Form #: ML / 22748-NM-357. Price paid: \$125.00. ERP: November 5, 1957. (NOTE: there is a color image of this envelope at the study group's Web site.)

2. A 6-cent orange Centennial, #8 envelope without security printing inside, similar to Webb EN557-10b, but with a different type of flap. The user was DR. J.-P. DROUIN of Ottawa.

The Lobster Card

Pierre Gauthier has acquired a copy of the special order Lobster Card (*Webb* KP66q) and sends along the following observations (which Bill Walton has confirmed as being the correct description of the item):

1. the card is $5 \frac{1}{2} \times 6 \frac{3}{4}$.

2. the type 6 heading (in black) is privately added

3. the card is typographed (strange, with a type 1 heading!)

Note: This item will be shown on the study group's Web site.

Meteorological Returns Labels

Robert Lemire has sent a copy of a Meteorological Returns label (see *PSN* Vol XIII, page 40) which is similar to Peter Zariwny's setting A, but not identical. In Robert's example, the "R" of "TORONTO" is below the left side of the "W", whereas in Peter's type A, the "R" is below the right side of the "W". Robert's example is used, on-piece and it is not known whether it is watermarked. Are there any other settings?

Those Picture Post Cards, Again!

Pierre Gauthier has found all of the Montreal series, and most of the Canadiana series (all except the Moose), from the FIRST series of 25 cards in an unstamped version, which is slightly different from the stamped version. The item numbers for each view is as on the stamped cards, except that "POST" is omitted. He has so far found no cards (in the Montreal area) from the Ottawa or Toronto series, but is looking. Has anybody else seen them?

The Study Group Web Site

(I promise not to go on about this in every issue!) We have had hits on the web site from a Canadian military person stationed in Cambodia (seeking membership information) and from a person in Bulgaria (selling stuff), among others.

announcements

Surprise! No new address this issue! Yes, I've managed to stay put for more than two months, and I'm happy and proud!

It is early January and, following an unusually warm autumn and early winter, the weather for which Minnesota is known has finally arrived. It's okay, there's not much to complain about. And there are a few things I'd like to work on ... I've planned for some time to work on an accumulation I have of George V embossed envelopes, to try to identify the dies. Maybe I can get to that this month.

Thanks to all the alert readers who caught my error of typing (repeatedly) "Brown's Lane" instead of "Brown's Line" in the last issue's GO Letter listing. I'll try to do better in the future!

There were some very nice postal stationery pieces up for sale in the British American Bank Note Company archives sale (UNTIL THEY WERE ALL WITHDRAWN!!!). I have to admit that I have very mixed feelings about the whole issue. On the one hand, it seems better to have some of that material available for all to see than to have it privately owned by a collector who may not wish to share it at all. The sad truth though, as we all know, is that it is possible that this fantastic group of archive material may never again see the light of day, if it ends up getting handled in the same way as so much of the material already in the possession of the National Postal Museum. So, what is the answer?

It is time to get this issue to the printer. There are a number of interesting developments afoot... I do not yet, however, have all the details. I'm certain that I will in time for the next newsletter. Earle Covert will be sending me information on two new products, one a prepaid photo mailer (holds up to 36 prints) and the other a prepaid CD mailer. These products will be sold in specialty outlets (i.e., camera stores and music stores) in addition (I assume) to the post office.

Stay tuned!

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Orangeville, Ontario, special-order envelopes

Peter Zariwny sent me the following article some time ago, and I believe it's time to get it into the newsletter. The article was sent to Peter by Colin Campbell, and was written by D. C. Irwin . . . it originally appeared in The Canadian Philatelist Vol 36, No. 1 (Jan.-Feb., 1985).

The Town of Orangeville had at least ten special order printings of plain white number 8 envelopes with window prepared for the mailing of water and sanitation accounts. The town placed at least one order for 4-cent envelopes in 1967 and an additional order for about 6000 in July 1968 for local first class mailings. Recorded copies have the black inscription: If not delivered in ten days

Return to

87 Broadway - Orangeville

in the top left with the Centennial symbol below and ORANGEVILLE - ONT. in black capitals below the window. It is not known whether the 1968 printing retained the Centennial symbol. Can anyone answer this question?

The town placed two orders for 6-cent orange envelopes in January 1969 and again in November 1969 for just under 6000 and 10,000 respectively. Almost 10,000 similar 6-cent black envelopes were prepared in November 1970. In September 1971, the Town of Orangeville had similar 7-cent and 8-cent envelopes prepared, the 7-cent for immediate first class use and the 8-cent for the new first class rate as of 1 January 1972. The first printing of the 8-cent stationery had the 8-cent Alaska Highway stamp in purple. This is the scarcest of the 8-cent Alaska Highway printings with about 15 or 20 used copies, 1 or 2 mint copies and a proof copy in existence.

The Town of Orangeville placed at least three more orders for 8-cent envelopes bearing the Centennial Queen. At least two envelope knives were used and ORANGEVILLE - ONT. was changed to ORANGEVILLE - ONTARIO below the window in the later printing.

SPECIAL ORDER PRINTINGS 4-cent at least two printings, possibly distinguishable 6-cent orange at least two printings, possibly distinguishable 6-cent black one printing 7-cent one printing 8-cent Alasks Highway 8-cent Queen at least three printings

Peter has included photocopies of the 8-cent Queen envelopes ... there are three knives, rather than two as noted above. Note that the flaps on envelopes "A" and "B" below have slight differences, but that the windows are quite different. The window on envelope "C" is similar to that of envelope "A", but the flap on "C" differs from both the others. Note also that envelope "A" bears the "... ONT" at the bottom, while both envelopes "B" and "C" have "... ONTARIO".

Peter also notes that at a recent Robert A Lee auction, the 7-cent Orangeville and 8-cent Highway Orangeville envelopes sold for \$450.00 and \$500.00 (plus commissions, etc.), respectively.

Thanks for sharing, Peter!

Below, top to bottom: window and flap of knife "A", knife "B", knife "C"



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Horace Harrison's Postal Stationery Potpourri

Below are shown two Newfoundland envelopes (Webb EN-1 and EN-2) with printed corner cards from H. WEEKS & CO. Horace states that these are the only printed corner cards he has ever seen on these envelopes and wonders whether there are any others out there.



Shown below is a very interesting piece of Canadian Postal Stationery history. I don't know whether it could be properly termed an essay (but that's what Id call it). It is signed by the Postmaster General, stating "This profile approved of for Stamped Envelopes" and dated 29 Oct 1897. On the back is an elongated octagonal handstamp, in purple, reading: "DEPARTMENT OF / OCT 27 1897 / PUBLIC PRINTING / & Stationery"

This is a very nice item; I regret that it does not reproduce bttter; I also had to crop it quite a bit at the top. I will put a somewhat better color version of this item up at the study group web site, www.pennsyltucky.com/bnapspssg.



Air Letter Sheet Forerunners and Unstamped Forms (Part 2)

UNSTAMPED AIR LETTER FORMS (1947-1953)

After stamped air letters came into service in September 1947, commercial users such as banks, insurance companies, steamship lines (Cunard) and import & export firms, still had a use for unstamped forms. The Post Office started receiving letters requesting same. In a letter to the Director of Financial Services dated November 1950, the Superintendent of the Postage Stamp Division, J.R. Carpenter, stated the following:

"On the 18th February 1950, we advised the Manager of the Canadian Exporters Association that we have no objections to commercial firms ordering blank Canada air letter forms providing the forms purchased conformed with the standard design and paper weight used in the current form. In addition we advised that the form could be ordered from anyone of the three printing firms who have manufactured Canada air letter forms for the Department and specified that we must approve a proof before the forms could be printed in quantity."

But citing the confusion that could result from the association of the Post Office with commercial firms (through the use of the air mail service crest and the words "CANADA POST", i.e. WEBB A13), Mr. Carter suggested "that a decision be reached that no air letter forms are to be printed without a postage stamp impression thereon, and all users of these forms must purchase their supplies from the Department."

In November 1951, the Philatelic Branch found 8,000 type VII forms in their inventory. These were sold to commercial firms between that date and 1953.

In a letter dated May 7, 1952, the Director of Financial Services indicated that International Envelope, current printer of air letters, had been authorized to accept orders for printing unstamped air letter forms "in accordance with a design approved by the Department". This official also indicated that this arrangement had not proven satisfactory due to the higher prices charged by the private firm for small quantities. The question remains: does anyone have a copy of the form(s) printed by International Envelope between 1950 and 1953 (or by Barber-Ellis or Globe Envelopes although this possibility is a remote one as the contract for stamped air letter sheets had reverted to International Envelope in August 1950 until 1953 at which time Canadian Bank Note took over)? Quantities printed under this arrangement must have been quite small.

I have two unstamped forms of WEBB A8 type: One with gummed flaps and 68 mm long address lines (Figure 12) and another with ungummed flaps and 65 mm long address lines. These are not listed as proofs in WEBB. Since this type was being printed by Le Comptoir National (which later became International Envelope), could these be unstamped forms sold by the latter company between 1950 and 1953 and produced from templates prepared years before, thus avoiding the possible conflict of interest mentioned by Mr. Carter?





Figure 12, above; figure 13, left

As to the possibility of a form similar to A7 or A13, is it possible that proof A7-P14 and A13-P4 (die cut with gummed flaps on paper of issue) (figure 13) could be mistaken for such? In both instances, used examples with dated cancels would solve part of the enigma.

Forms A19b, and especially A19, would also be unlikely given the ERPs for these and the long intervals between unstamped form orders.

So, during the 1947-50 period, if any forms were manufactured, it was not with Post Office approval and therefore, these are purely private issues. During the 1950-53 period, private firms were authorized to sell approved forms directly to customers; at the same time, the Post Office was selling the balance of type VII forms it had in stock. Starting in 1953, blank forms would now only be sold through the Postage Stamp Division. (continued, next page)

Air Letter Sheet Forerunners and Unstamped Forms, continued

FORM A21 (1953-1955) (Figure 14)

On July 28, 1953, an order was placed at Canadian Bank Note Company for "25,000 aerogrammes printed without a postage stamp impression". The form was to be "identical with the 10 cents aerogramme that you are now manufacturing (WEBB A21) with the single exception that no postage stamp is to be printed thereon." One of the first client was the International Civil Aviation Organization in Montreal with an order for 5,000 forms.

Another order for 25,000 forms was placed in February 1955 before the introduction of WEBB A22 in July 1955. Considering the fact that orders were not placed regularly for such forms (rarely less than once a year) and that WEBB A23 was issued in the fall of 1955, it is most probable A22 does not exist in an unstamped version. As I don't have a copy of this form, the question remains as to its watermark (or absence thereof). The following item may be part of the answer to this question.



Figure 14, above; figure 14a, left



lighter shade of gray than the original issue. It also have different measurements for opening instruction lines. But the two main distinctive features are the absence of address lines on front and back and a different watermark: HOWARD SMITH / DORVAL (?) (Logo representing a beaver superimposed over the letter "S") AIRMAIL / MADE IN CANADA / RAG CONTENT. A waterwark from the same company is also known on envelopes EN63b/69c about the same period but with a different wording.

Figure 14a looks like a private order unstamped A21 form. It is printed on a much

This form was prepared for the Mercantile Bank of Canada and bears a Montreal return address. The company logo on the back bears the year "1953". Logo and return address are in the same blue color as the rest of the form. Was the same watermark used on other unstamped A21 forms?

FORM A23 (1955-1960) (Figure 15)

I have only two examples of unstamped form A23: one is a used <u>watermarked</u> copy dated June 22, 1960 (just before WEBB A25 first day of issue) and obviously philatelic as there is no contents. The other is a mint <u>unwatermarked</u> specimen copy. So a question remains: was form A23 officially available on unwatermarked paper as it was the case for WEBB A23 and A24 or is my watermarked example merely a cutting variety?



Figure 15

Air Letter Sheet Forerunners and Unstamped Forms, continued

Considering the intervals between orders for unstamped forms, there is a slight possibility that the unstamped version of WEBB A24 may exist although no example has yet been found and Major Toop's papers didn't contain any information to this effect. In fact, an order for 30,000 forms was placed in March 1958 (presumably for form A23) in the same letter discussing the changes to be made to current aerogrammes and which resulted in WEBB A24.

FORM A25 (1960-1968) (Figure 16)

A form similar to A25 was introduced in the early 60s. In November 1964, the Postage Stamp Division Superintendent reported that 50,000 unstamped aerogrammes had been ordered in 1963-4 (form A25) and that 30,000 had been sold each year in 1961-2 and 1962-3.

Due to the small profit margin on these items and since private firms had been granted authority to produced their own forms in January 1962 (although the Post Office had decided at the time not to publicize this fact), the Postage Stamp Division Superintendent recommended to discontinue the manufacture of unstamped aerogrammes in November 1964 but it was only on March 18, 1968 that the manufacture and sale of these forms were effectively discontinued.

So given the forms in stock at the time of the recommendation and the decline in the use of air letter sheets, it is doubtful that forms other than A25 were ever manufactured or placed on sale during the 60s.

In brief, only the existence of the following forms has been established to date: A21, A23 (with and without watermark) and A25.

As for the 1947-1953 period, I believe two possible forms might have been manufactured with Post Office's approval: A8 and A13.

So, as you can see, this is only a tentative list of these forms. Much remain to be learned. PSSG members' input is requested. Please contact me or the Editor if you have any relevant information.

Pierre Gauthier

P.S.: Special thanks to Robert Lemire for pointing out the information published in the 1948-9 issues of BNA Topics on Newfoundland unstamped air letter forms.



Figure 16

The Conestoga Press

One of our newest members, Justus Knierim, is also the proprietor of the Conestoga Press of Thornbury, Ontario. The Conestoga Press has been, since 1986, producing specially-printed corner cards on postal stationery for several small Ontario post offices in the Georgian Bay district. These envelopes are ordered by the local postmasters, printed and delivered to them, and sold in the local post offices. They are not "official" postal stationery in any way, but are very attractive and make an interesting sideline. On two occasions, the post offices involved (Annan and Tobermory) have actually supplied the artwork used in printing the envelopes. Shown below are two examples.

The Thornbury envelope is printed in dark green on the #10 Mountain Bluebird envelope. The Clarksburg envelope is brown (art) and black (text), on teh #10 Fredericton envelope.



GO Letter Update

Reports of printed corner cards on the standard GO Letters (those listed in previous *Notes* as GL1-7), in red and blue versions, have come from John Grace, Chris Ryan, Earle Covert, Pierre Gauthier, Bruce McCallum, Robert Lemire and Terrie Woodrow. Those reports have recently been updated by including hidden numbers. A compilation was started in the last issue and continues below.

First, however, there is an update to the listing that has already appeared. And it is an item that confuses me, but perhaps somebody will have an explanation. Terrie Woodrow has reported GL1 with the 210 Wicksteed Avenue address and rectangular obliteration of the Ministry of Education and Training. I suppose it could have been leftover stock, overprinted at the same time as a number of GL7s.

Id also like to point out that last issue's listing of GL7, GL7A and GL7B included only those with hidden numbers dated between 9/95 and 8/96... all other GL7s (all other hidden numbers) seem to be the main variety, with the self-adhesive flap (GL7); these are listed in this issue.

Red GO Letters, Printed Corner Cards, continued			
<u>Түре</u> GL5	<u>Hidden Number</u> DKT # 463427 ERP: February 23, 1994	<u>Corner Card</u> [none] Ministry of Education, Independent Learning Centre Ontario College of Art York University (Admissions)	<u>Corner Card</u> Humber College Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Relations
	DKT # 465356 ERP: April 9, 1994	[none] George Brown College Liquor Licence Board of Ontario Ryerson Polytechnic University Sheridan College University of Waterloo	Conestoga College Laurentian University Ontario Ministry of Education and Training (no address) University of Toronto

NOTE: The two hidden numbers above are in the form of handwritten characters and can be found in various versions. Are there GL5s with no numbers?

GL6	(none)	[none]	Humber College
		Ministry of Municipal Affairs (Communications Branch)	Nipissing University
		Ryerson Polytechnic University (Continuing Education Div)	Wilfrid Laurier University
		York University (Atkinson College)	
	471164 - 06/94	[none]	Canadore College
	ERP:	Confederation College	George Brown College
	August 5, 1994	Lakehead University	Ministry of Education and
	0	Ministry of Education and Training, Independent	Training, Brown's Line
		Learning Centre	McMaster University
		Mohawk College	
		Nipissing University	Ontario Universities Application Centre
		Sheridan College	Wilfrid Laurier University
		York University (Atkinson College)	
	471165 - 09/94	[none]	Humber College, 205 Humber College Blvd
	ERP:	Georgian College	Ministry of Education and
	June 27, 1995	Ministry of Education and Training, Independent	Training, Brown's Line
		Learning Centre	Queen's University (Admissions)
		Ryerson Polytechnic University, Office of Admissions/Liaiso	n
		Ryerson Polytechnic University (Continuing Education Div)	University of Western Ontario
		York University (Admissions)	York University (Atkinson College)
		York University (Faculty of Education)	
	479755 - 01/95	[none]	Conestoga College
	ERP:	Confederation College	Humber University, P.O. Box 1900
	July 16, 1996	Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Relations	Minstry of Education and
	•	Ministry of Education and Training, Independent	Training, Brown's Line
		Learning Centre	Ontario Universities Application Centre
		Ryerson Polytechnic University (Continuing Education Div)	Seneca College
		University of Waterloo (Office of the Registrar)	University of Waterloo (Distance Education)
NOTE	for CI6 also:	Ministry of Health Rox 635 Oshawa	Ministry of Health. Box 7020. Mississauga

NOTE: for GL6, also: Ministry of Health, Box 633, Oshawa I assume these are on GL6 with no hidden number, but can not be certain.

Listing continues, next page

GO Letter Update, continued

<u>Type</u> GL7	Hidden Number 482728 - 02-95 ERP: Sept 25, 1995	<u>Corner Card</u> [none] Nipissing University Northern College	<u>Corner Card</u> Ministry of Education and Training, Independent Learning Centre Sheridan College
	oop. 20, 1775	University of Toronto (Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering) University of Waterloo	University of Toronto (School of Continuing Studies)
	489602 - 06/95 ERP: January 11, 1996	[none] Ministry of Education and Training, Independent Learning Centre Sheridan College	Algonquin College McMaster University Northem College York University (Admissions Office)

NOTE: The next group (which includes GL7, GL7A and GL7B) was covered in the last issue. That listing is not being repeated; the following are updates, only:

•	490733 - 09/95	no additions	
	491413 - 12/95	no additions	
(7)	491415 - 04/96	[none]	
(7)	503803 (06/96)	Ministry of Education and Training, ILC	Ontario New Home Warranty Program
		Ontario Universities Application Centre	
(7B)	503803 (06/96)	Ministry of Education and Training, ILC	
(7)	503734 08/96	[none]	

Back to full listings, still GL7:

GL7	503735 09/96	[none] Ryerson Polytechnic University York University (Admissions)	Ontario Universities Application Centre Sheridan College
	510487 12/96	Cambrian College	Fanshawe College
	513835 1/97	[none] Lambton College Ministry of Education & Training, ILC Nipissing University Trent University (Office of the Registrar)	Canadore College Laurentian University Ministry of Health, 2195 Yonge Ontario New Home Warranty Program University of Waterloo
	516340 2/97	[none] Ministry of Health, 2195 Yonge York University (Admissions)	Ministry of Education & Training, ILC Seneca College
GL8A	516341 3/97	[none]	
GL8	516341 3/97 REV	[none] University of Toronto (School of Continuing Studies)	Ministry of Health, 2195 Yonge

Note the addition to the above listing of GL8A. This is a spectacular new discovery by Terrie Woodrow. It could have been easy to miss. The back of the envelope has (in error) a list of telephone phone numbers last seen on GL5 in which the first number is for "Northeastern Ontario". These may end up being quite scarce, since they were probably in production less than a month. Keep your eyes open, members!

Note also that the wording "within Ontario" has been removed from the back printing on GL8 (and GL8A). Is it possible that there won't be any more blue GO Letters? Since that text change is also made on GL8A, that error is all the more strange, since it implies that an old negative was NOT accidentally picked up and used, but rather that somebody picked up a GO Letter and modified the back text to exclude "within Ontario", then gave that envelope to the typesetter to use as copy ... only they used a very old envelope for the sample.

On the next page are listed the printed corner cards known and reported on the blue GO Letters, and the red and blue GO Packs. This list is, of course, not nearly as long as that of the red letters. Hidden numbers are given where they exist and have been reported. Finally, the hidden numbers known on any private-order GO Letters are listed.

<u>Type</u> GL1	<u>Hidden Number</u> none	Blue GO Letters, Printed Corner Ca Corner Card University of Toronto, School of Continuing Studies	<u>Corner Card</u>
GL2	none	McMaster University, Office of the Registrar	Sheridan College Application Service
GL4	none	Ontario College Application Service	
GL6	unknown	Carleton University, Registrarial Services, Faculty of Social	Sciences

Note: I still have no reports of blue versions of GL3, GL5 or GL7. Can anyone report their existance?

	Red GO Packs, Printed Corner Cards		
Type	<u>Hidden Number</u>	Corner Card	<u>Corner Card</u>
GP1	none	Ministry of Education, 95 Brown's Line	Ministry of Education, ILC
		Ontario College Application Service	Ontario Universities' Application Centre
GP2	none	Carleton University (Student Liaison and Publication Serv)	George Brown College
		McMaster University	Ministry of Education (Brown's Line)
		Ministry of Education and Training (Brown's Line) University of Guelph	Ontario Universities Application Centre
	09/94 475698	[none]	Lakehead University
		Ministry of Education and Training (Brown's Line) University of Guelph	Ministry of Health
	490529 06/95	[none]	Lakehead University
		Ministry of Education (Brown's Line)	St. Clair College
	501329 - 04/96	[none]	Carleton University
		Lakehead University	Ministry of Education & Training
		Ministry of Education & Training (Brown's Line replaced	(Brown's Line)
		with 210 Wicksteed; rectangle	Nipissing University
	506793 08/96	[none]	Carleton University
		University of Guelph	

Note: In the lists above (and below), GP1 refers to the pack without phone numbers on the back; GP2 to the pack with phone numbers.

<u>Type</u> GP1	<u>Hidden Number</u> none	Corner Card none reported	<u>Corner Card</u>
GP2	none	McMaster University	
	462737/12-93	[none]	
	490529 06/95	none reported	
	501329 - 04/96	none reported	

Note that the hidden number from June, 1995 is the same on both the red and blue packs.

	Custom GO Letters, Hidden Numbers		
<u>User</u>	Description	<u>Hidden Number</u>	
McMaster University	small, horizontal window	none	
McMaster University	large, vertical window	#488972 05/95	
Ministry of Transportation	Vanity Plates	none	

In the next issue, I will provide further updates if these listngs generate sufficient feedback. Also, we will feature an article by Chris Ryan discussing the history of the GO Letters and the Government of Ontario Integrated Shipping Services.

Thanks to all members who sent reports. CHECK THE LISTINGS FOR ACCURACY!