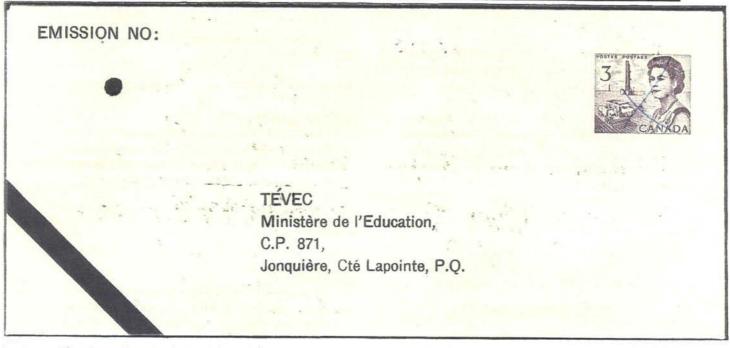
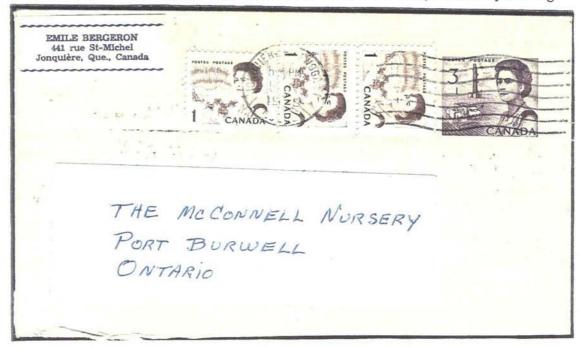
Postal Stationery Notes

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The above 3 cent private order envelope on gray paper size 190 x 89 mm was issued in 1967 for TÉVEC (Webb EN554-25) and below is the same envelope used in 1968 for a personal mailing with 3 one cent stamps added to pay the proper postage. To safe 3 cents and the cost of an envelope, that person cut off the printed part on the left, folded and glued a new flap to the back and glued a label over the printed address. A very unusual way of saving.



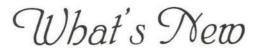
Editor's Notes

On the first page of this issue I am showing items in colour for the first time. Occasionally I will continue this if it does not get too expensive and if I receive interesting items in colour from members.

John Grace will update the membership list he printed in the last newsletter in each following issue, or when necessary.

I was not able to find out anything about the 7th edition of Webb's Postal Stationery Catalogue other than that it is at the printer, so finally we may see it soon.

In this issue you will find a listing of "Canadian Change of Address Cards" compiled by Robert Lemire. We are not sure, if we can call these cards postal stationery, but regardless, these cards, we think, are interesting to collect.



in Postal Stationery

ENVELOPES

Sharp eyed member Peter Zariwny reported that each of the current bar 47 cent regular envelopes come with two different bar codes.

He notes the final two digits as:

18 or 30 on #8 envelopes 20 or 31 on #10 envelopes









Peter suggests different numbers for field and philatelic stock.

Can anyone detect knife or other printing differences?

SPECIAL ENVELOPES

The Year of the Dragon 46 cent envelope used last year by Asia International Services Corporation was replaced by a 47 cent Year of the Snake envelope with a stamp impression similar to the adhesive postage stamp.

John will be using that envelope for mailing this newsletter.

XPRESSPOST

Another prepaid Government of Ontario special order Xpresspost envelope similar to earlier reported envelopes was discovered by Chris Ryan used by Schulich, School of Business, York University. (see a photo copy in reduced size on the next page)

CARDS

The PCF card T 146 in brown printing has been found with the code sticker.

Since we only found a few of the brown printing cards with sticker so far, look out, there may be other.

<u>DUES: THIS IS YOUR LAST NEWSLETTER</u> it your label on the envelope reads V16#1. Please make out the cheque (Can. \$8.00 or U.S. equivalent) to 'JOHN GRACE' <u>not</u> to BNAPS or the Postal Stationery Study Group.

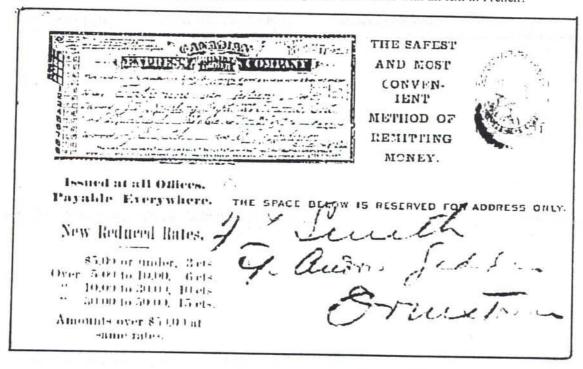
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Below is an unusual Canadian Express Money Order Pictorial card found by Chris Ellis. It is the same as Webb's CEX11a (ONW4) SERIES B XX, \$49.15, Nov.25, 1897 in blue, but the text on the right of the money order is "THE SAFEST/AND MOST/CONVEN-/IENT/METHOD OF/REMITTING/MONEY." instead of "SAFEST AND/BEST METHOD/ OF/ REMITTING/ ..." on the cards I have seen so far.

Has anyone seen this card or other cards with different text, other than cards with all text in French?





Canadian Change of Address Cards: Postal Stationery?

In the April 15, 1955 issue of the "Post Office Weekly Bulletin", the following notice appeared:

2: - CARD TO NOTIFY CORRESPONDENTS OF CHANGE OF ADDRESS - In an attempt to reduce the volume of mail to be re-directed, it is intended to introduce as an experiment, a new postcard (Form 86B English and 86½B French) for the public to use in notifying their correspondents of a change of address.

These cards are to be distributed free of charge, to persons who furnish a change of address notice to the Post Office. This is particularly pertinent at Letter Carrier offices.

These cards will require 2¢ postage on mailing, which, of course, will have to be paid by the patrons using the cards.

Care should be taken to avoid any form of wastage of the cards.

In due course, the Department will request a report as to the success of this experiment.

Thus was begun a large series of Post Office forms that continues to the present. The first cards seem to be those bearing a form date of 1-55 (based on a copy of form 86½B in my collection, Figure 1). The initial experiment must have been deemed a success, 800,000 copies of form 86B dated 9-55 were printed. These and later forms required 2¢ in postage, the printed matter rate rather than the 4¢ post card rate. This was not a new use of the printed matter rate, as the 1947 and 1952-53 postal guides indicated that change of address notices were permitted at the printed matter rate.

In April 1961 the regulations were altered. According to the April 29, 1961 issue of the Post Office Weekly Bulletin:

The change of address announcement card (Form 86B) has been revised to permit its transmission through the mail free of charge to addresses in Canada, the United States and Mexico.

A small initial supply of the card is being sent to all Postmasters and additional stocks are available from Postal Stores Depots.

Postmasters are to impress upon all staff members concerned - wicket personnel, Letter Carriers and others who may receive changes of address from the public - that they are to offer a Supply of Card 86B in every instance where a notice of change of address is tendered.

The change of address cards (all bilingual, form 86B) could be mailed to other countries, but postage at the rate of 2¢ was then charged. The earliest form dates found so far on the prepaid cards are 28-11-60 (Figure 2) and 2-2-61 (both prior to the April 1961 announcement). Also, at least one variety of the older forms (86B-400M-20-10-59) that had required 2¢ postage was marked "FREE" (Figure 3) and was used until the new prepaid forms were available (or in parallel with them).

New forms were issued as required. The date on a form may reflect the date the form itself was changed or, perhaps, in some cases (especially when the printing quantity is included with the form number), the printing date. Certain cards that are printed on completely different stocks have the same form date, and it is quite likely that there were several different printings. Regardless, it is improbable that cards were printed earlier than the form date on the card.

The printed matter rate was raised to 3¢ on April 1, 1964, and the overseas rate for the change of address cards was raised accordingly. However, the new style cards with a form date of 7-67 no longer bear any printed restriction as to destinations that required additional postage.

Cards bearing a form date of 1-72 (Figure 4) still have no destination restriction; however, cards with a 5-72 form date (Figure 5) bear the notation "ACCEPTED FOR DELIVERY IN CANADA ONLY". The 9-73 cards are marked "Affix postage when addressed for delivery outside Canada and the U.S.A.". From the

mid-1960s on, the "Form 86B" cards also bear the form number "33-86-037" (the last card designated "86B" has the form date 5-71). The cards printed from late 1980 onward (beginning with form 10-80) are tagged. A copy of the card dated (84-08) is shown in Figure 6.

In 1985 Canada Post announced that, effective June 24, 1985, it was reverting to making the customer pay the postage when change of address cards were mailed. However, in the Canada Post Bulletin Vol. 64, No. 28 (1985-07-29) it was noted that until the production of a complete moving kit "Canada Post ... continue(s) to provide the current cards ... to customers free of charge". The new forms appeared, dated 7-85, with form numbers "40-076-545" or "40-076-547". In Vol. 65, No. 12 (1986-03-31) of the Bulletin, it was ordered that all existing copies of forms "33-086-37 be removed from counters as of April 1, 1986. It was also indicated that all cards "distributed before April 1, 1986 are to be honoured in the system for delivery within Canada (or the United States where stated) without postage, even if posted on or after April 1, 1986. There will be no time limit for the acceptance of these cards.)".

However, this was not the end of the "free postage" cards. Even now, if a customer has a "change of address" that is the result of a change instituted by Canada Post (for example, a closure of an office or a change of a postal code), the customer is supplied with a limited number of "courtesy" cards. The regulations governing the use of these cards (form number "33-086-450") were described in the Canada Post Bulletin, Vol. 65, No. 33 (1986-09-01). The courtesy change of address cards, like the 1966-1972 regular change of address cards, "may be sent to all countries" with "No postage required" (Figure 7). Several different cards have been reported.

Also, when the postal code was originally introduced, postage free cards were issued so that people could notify their correspondents of their new postal code. There are at least three different cards. One (printed in brown and tan) is form "33-84-025 (6-71)" (Figure 8). A second type of card, printed in purple, blue and red, was probably prepared slightly later. The indicium reads "On Postal Service" as also seen only on the 5-72 and later change of address cards; these cards have no form number. Two varieties of this second type of card are known. One, unlike the "(6-71)" card, is marked "Accepted for delivery in Canada only" (Figure 9), the same wording as on the 5-72 change of address cards (Figure 5). It is not known whether the card listed below as CACP-2 was printed earlier or later than the card assigned the number CACP-3.

Two additional types of card should be discussed. From at least 1890 onward, post offices sent cards to publishers notifying them (for a small fee) of reasons for non-delivery of items and providing address changes. The latest "publisher" card in my collection is dated 1975, but it is probable later cards exist.

Also, as early as 1932, the Post Office supplied cards so that customers could notify the local postmaster of a change of address. These "postmaster" cards were "Postage Free" in the "Local Delivery Area only" until some time between 1953 and 1960 when the indicium was changed to read simply "POSTAGE FREE". By 1964 the printed message was changed to read "CANADA POSTAGE PAID". In 1976 a fee of \$1.00 was imposted for re-direction of mail, and while it was required that stamps be applied to the card to pay this fee, it appears the *postage* itself was still free! The fees for temporary and permanent redirection of mail were then rapidly increased over the next quarter century to their current high levels.

The cards to publishers are simply forms from a government department, sent "free", and are equivalent to "postage paid" envelopes used by the Post Office. These cards are no more (or less) postal stationery than are the DLO envelopes. Even the "postmaster" cards might not be considered to be postal stationery. They could be construed as being examples of a type of official permit mail.

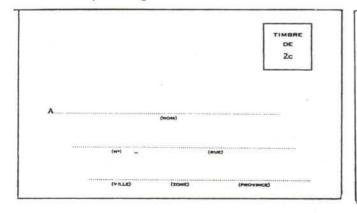
However, the prepaid change of address cards are different. They were prepaid, could be mailed (put in any regular mail box) by anyone, and mailed to anyone. Certainly they are every bit as much postal stationery as other non-denominated items, issued in recent years, that have achieved catalogue status. They are certainly more logically examples of postal stationery than the postage due bands and wrappers listed in Webb's (which really fall in the same category as the "publisher" cards). The unstamped change of address forerunners from 1955-1959 (and perhaps the cards from 1985 on) would then be classified as formular change of address cards.

Change of address cards from other countries have found a home in postal stationery catalogues (albeit, the indicia on those cards generally have printed denominations, and accounting practices may have been different). However, until someone compiles a list of what Canadian change of address cards exist, there certainly will be no chance these will gain their rightful place in Webb's. A first attempt at such a list is provided below:

Most of the change of address cards from 1960-1984 are fairly common: but a few, such as the provisional card on the 1959 form, are quite scarce, and are known only from one or two copies in collectors' hands. Harry Machum has provided the only report so far of a copy of the 86B-(8/64) card on which the normal form number was replaced in (printed) typescript as 33-86-037 (8/64) 86B (Figure 10). This card appears to be from a late printing. The new 7-digit form number printed on this variety of the 8/64 card is typical of form numbers that were introduced in 1965 or 1966, and the positioning of the form numbers is similar to that found on the 8-66 card. I suspect that there still are one or two further varieties of change of address cards remaining to be reported. For example, in a September 1968 article by M.E. Harvey, in the Post Office employee magazine "Postmark" (Vol. 22, pp. 8-9), there is reference to a "test" printing of 10,000 cards distributed in the Cornwall, Ontario area a year earlier (this card was designed with a box for the new telephone number). Perhaps the test involved the 7-67 card shown in the article (the same card is known used from other parts of Canada); perhaps it involved an unreported card bearing an earlier form date.

Among the later cards, those with printing dates of 9-73, 7-77, 10-80 and 5-82 are particularly common, whereas the moderately scarce 84-08 (Figure 6) card seemed to be unknown to the author(s) of Canada Post Bulletin Vol. 64, No. 28 (1985-07-29), who indicated that the then "current" card was the one dated 5-82 (or had the 84-08 card even been printed and distributed by mid-1985?). The "courtesy" cards are quite difficult to find, though I believe more than one of the reported varieties may still be in use.

The author wishes to thank Harry Machum, Dick Staecker, John Aitken, Robert McGuinness and Earle Covert for providing information on items in their collections.



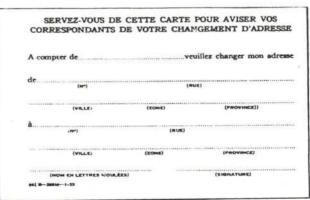


Figure 1: French language formular card 861/2B, front and back.

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Figure 2: The earliest type of prepaid change of address card Figure 3: Form 86B-400M-20-10-59 marked "FREE" (CAC-1). form (CAC-2), form dated 28-11-60.

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Figure 4: Change of address card (CAC-15) with a form date of 1-72.

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Figure 5: Change of address card (CAC-16) with a 5-72 form date. A new design.

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Figure 8: Card (CACP-1) for notification of a newly assigned Figure 9: Card (CACP-2) for notification of a newly assigned postal code, form dated 6-71. postal code, undated form. Vol. 16 - No. 5

prepaid C	Canadian Change of Address cards
provision	al issue; "FREE" marking on formular card
CAC-1	black on buff, 86B-400M-20-10-59 bilingual formular marked "FREE" over 2¢ postage box
1960-1964	4 cards prepaid to Canada, U.S.A., Mexico (150 x 89 mm)
CAC-2	black on buff, 86B-1,000,000-28-11-60
CAC-3	black on buff, 86B-2,000,000-2-2-61 (shades, thick and thin papers)
CAC-4	black on buff, 86B-5,000,000-16-6-61
CAC-5	black on blue-green, 86B-14-12-62
CAC-6	black on blue-green, 86B-(8/64) (shades)
CAC-7*	black on blue-green, form number 86B-(8/64) replaced in typescript as 33-86-037 (8/64) 86B
* This care	d appears to be a late printing. The new 7-digit form number (33-86-037) that is printed on this variety of the 8-64
form is t	spical of form numbers that were introduced in 1965 or 1966.
1966 card	s prepaid with no restrictions (150 x 89 mm)
CAC-8	black on green, 33-86-037 (8-66) 86B
CHC-0	black of green, 33 do day (d dd) dda
1967- 197	1 revised design, prepaid with no restrictions (153 x 89 mm)
CAC-9	black, blue and grey on white, 33-86-037 (7-67) 86B
CAC-10	black, blue and grey on white, 33-86-037 (6-68) 86B
CAC-11	black, blue and grey on white, 33-86-037 (3-69) 86B
CAC-12	black, blue and grey on white, 33-86-037 (8-69) 86B
CAC-13	black, blue and grey on white, 33-86-037 (6-70) 86B
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CAC-14	black, blue and grey on white, 33-86-037 (5-71) 86B
CAC-15	black, blue and grey on white, 33-86-037 (1-72)
1972 chan	ge in design, prepaid to Canada only (153 x 89 mm)
CAC-16	purple on white, 33-86-037 (5-72)
1073 pro	paid to Canada and U.S.A. (147 x 102 mm)
CAC-17	purple on white, 33-86-037 (9-73)
CAC-17	purple off writte, 33-80-037 (9-73)
1976-1985	5, prepaid to Canada and U.S.A., vertical format for the form (147 x 102 mm)
CAC-18	purple on white, 33-086-037 (12-76)
CAC-19	purple on white, 33-086-037 (7-77)
CAC-20	purple on white, 33-086-037 (8-79)
CAC-21	purple on white, 33-086-037 (8-80)
CAC-22	purple on white, 33-086-037 (10-80), tagged
CAC-23	purple on white, 33-086-037 (5-82), tagged, large dots in bar below the form date
CAC-23a	purple on white, 33-086-037 (5-82), tagged, small dots in bar below the form date
CAC-24	purple on white, 33-086-037 (84-08), tagged
1085_1007	, courtesy cards, prepaid to all countries (147 x 102 mm)
CAC-31	purple on white, 33-086-450 (5-86), tagged
CAC-31	black on white, 33-086-450 (5-86), tagged
CAC-32	
CAC-34	black on white, 33-086-450 (94-03), tagged
CAC-34	black on white, 33-086-450 (97-02), tagged

Canadian notification of postal code cards

1971, prepaid with no restrictions (152 x 89 mm)

CACP-1 tan and brown on white, 33-84-025 (6-71)

1972?, multicolour printing date unknown (152 x 89 mm)

CACP-2 purple, blue and red on white, no form number or date ("Acct." above and to right of "Case")
"Accepted for delivery in Canada only"

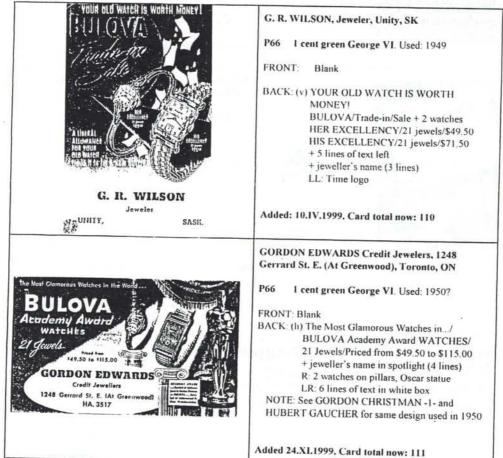
CACP-3 purple, blue and red on white, no form number or date ("Acct." directly above "Case")



Figure 10: The bottom portions of the two types of change of address cards bearing a form date of 8/64—top CAC-6, bottom CAC-7.

BULOVA CARD STUDY UPDATE (See PSN Volume XIV, # 1-4)

We interrupt our study of Express Cards to bring you this update. The listing was compiled by John Grace, with help from BNAPSers John Aitken, Leland Brown, Colin Campbell, Earle Covert, Christopher Ellis, Robert Furneaux, Pierre Gauthier, Horace (el Supremo) Harrison, Art Klass, Robert Lemire, Dean Mario, Mike Sagar, Dick Staecker, Bill Walton, Steven Whitcombe, and Peter Zariwny. Any member who would like a copy of the complete study (28 pages, illustrated, \$5.00 postpaid) contact John Grace at the e-mail or snail mail addresses on page 42, or by phone at 905 839-0859. Your input for new cards or corrections is solicited, especially for cards used in the United States.



Paid members January 1, 2001: Renewals to March 1, 2001:

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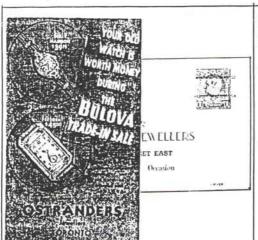
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CORRECTION

R. McGuinness, 1170 Kings Ave., West Vancouver, BC V7T 2C3 (Note proper postal code)



OSTRANDERS JEWELLERS, 2098 Queen Street East, Toronto, ON

3. P66s 1 cent green George VI private precancel. Used: (no date)

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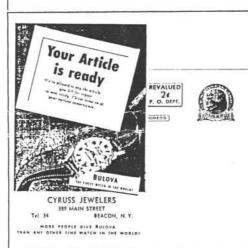
Bulova Time Signal on your radio/ REMEMBER/OSTRANDERS JEWELLERS/2098 QUEEN STREET EAST/A Gift For Every Occasion/-OVER-

BACK: (v) YOUR OLD/WATCH IS/WORTH MONEY/ DURING/ THE/BULOVA/ TRADE-IN SALE

> + 6 lines of text + 2 watches left: DOLLY/MADISON/\$39.95 and PRESIDENT/\$45.00

+ jeweller's name (3 lines)

Added: 25.1.2001. Card total now 112



CYRUSS JEWELERS, 389 MAIN STREET, BEACON, NY

H&G 57 2¢green on 1¢ green Jefferson. Used: ?

FRONT: Blank

BACK: (v) Your Article/is ready + 4 lines in box Lady's and man's watch horizon ally +BULOVA/THE FINEST WATCH IN

THE WORLD! in a box

+ jeweler's name at bottom (5 lines) NOTE: The Jefferson postal card was issued in 1952

Added: 22.11.2001. Card total now 113

Note: I think that the private precancel on the OSTRANDERS card is the first I have seen on a Bulova card. The second card above is the first that I have seen from the USA. JG