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We do not have any new members to report since the last Newsletter No.17 in May.

Finances following the 17th Newsletter -

Balance on hand after newsletter #16	\$ 414.14
Cost of photocopying and mailing Newsletter No.17	<u>31.10</u>
Balance on hand	<u>\$ 383.04</u>

We have to report that neither our Chairman, Bob Lee nor your Editor will be able to attend BNAPEX '90 at Galveston, October 18th to 20th. We therefore have not made a reservation for a Study Group meeting through Jon Johnson, Study Group Coordinator. However we will make a commitment to super Duplex Study Group meeting at BNAPEX '91 at Vancouver.

Use of Duplex postmarks is slowly diminishing. So far in 1990 use has been seen from the following SASK. towns:-

ARCHERWILL	Q7	Sole hammer in use
BROADVIEW	R7	
GLENAVON	07	
GOLDEN PRAIRIE	Q7	Sole hammer in use
KINISTINO	R7	
LAFLECHE	R7	
MILDEN	S7	Sole hammer in use
MONTMARTRE	07	
MOSSBANK	07	
ODESSA	07	Sole hammer in use
PORCUPINE PLAIN	R7	Sole hammer in use
RABBIT LAKE	R7	Sole hammer in use
WAKAW	R7	
WHITEWOOD	R7	

Early in 1989 Bill Barry reported a total of 75 SASK. duplexes still in use, so no doubt there quite number that could be added to the above list for 1990.

Your Editor has seen the following ALTA. duplexes in use during 1990:-

MINBURN 07, NEWNORWAY R7, OYEN S7, VILNA 07

Can anyone report other towns for both SASK. and ALTA.

We will gladly include in future Newsletters short articles on members researches and studies.



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Here is an interesting cover with a LISTOWEL/ONT. II-B9 duplex postmark dated MR 16/26. The stamp was issued June 29/27. The Hammer is DON-891 23. mm. dia. which had a proof date of JU 25/27. Can we assume the postmaster has made an error of two years when inserting the year slug? Probably the date should be MR 16/28. The quality of the strike indicates some wear to the hammer - Maybe nine months?

LISTOWEL received a second II-B9 hammer with a proof date of DE 2/28.

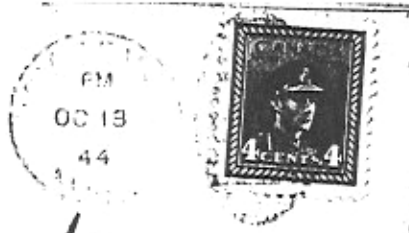
Bob Lee reports a new listing:-

DMB-26A BOISSEVAIN/MAN. II-B11 22.5 mm N.I.P.B.
E.R.D. 1944/10/18 L.R.D. 1981/11/26
2. mm. lettering, noticeably smaller
lettering than DMB-26

And Bob reports a new find:-

DON-1327 PORT COLBORNE/ONT. II-B11 Proof date 1923/02/02
E.R.D. 1924/10/23 Blank TM

Both these items were identified by comparing them against the Proof Strikes in Paul Hughes books. Where a town has been issued with more than two hammers of say a B11 over several years, it is really essential to use the Proof Strikes to identify the hammer used. Dates of use alone are not always sufficient to definitely identify a hammer. There are instances where an early issued hammer has survived one issued considerably later.



The parliament
Buildings
Boisevain Toronto
Ontario



DMB-26A

DMB-26

New listing

PM/OCT18/44

DMB-26A BOISEVAIN/MAN. II-B11 22.5 mm. N.I.P.B.

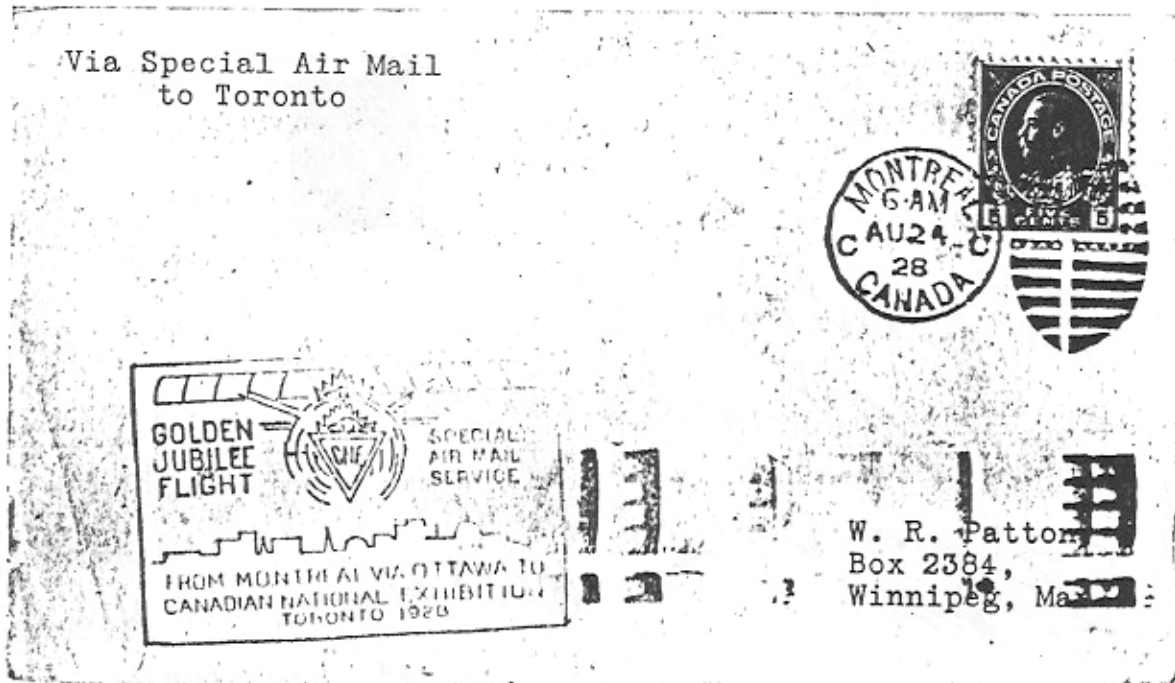
Lettering is noticeably smaller than DMB-26



Miss Edith M. Graham
Longford Mills
Ontario

First recorded strike -/OCT23/24

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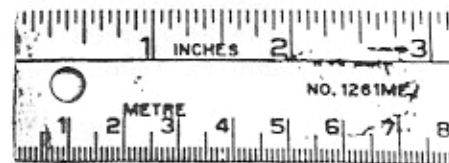
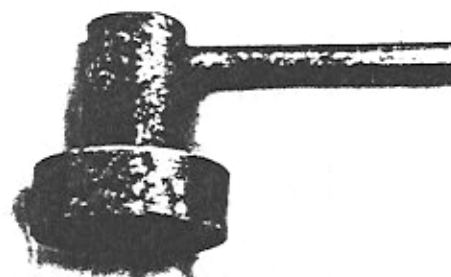
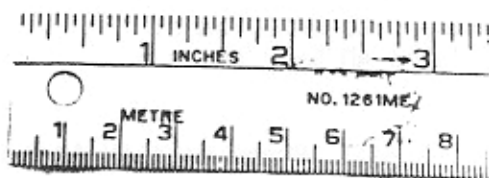
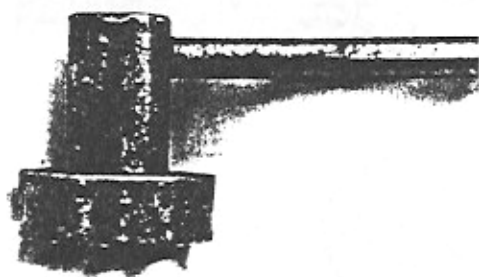


We have had this cover for several months, but holding it pending the publication of Paul Hughe's "Duplex Proof Strikes of Quebec and the Maritimes" in order to identify the Montreal/Canada duplex postmark. There are twenty three of these Montreal duplex hammers with the pair of "C"s at the side.

We believe the strike on this cover to be DPQ-569 II-B11 22.5 mm. dia. which was proofed 1912 02 09. Why was the B11 killer mutilated with a vertical cut? Can any one provide a photocopy of this same mutilated duplex postmark with earlier and later dates? And can any one tell us why the hammer was mutilated, or advance a theory as to the reason?

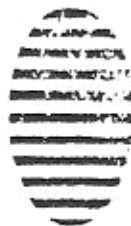


DPQ-569 - Photocopy of the proof strike dated 1912 02 09 from Paul Hughe's book.

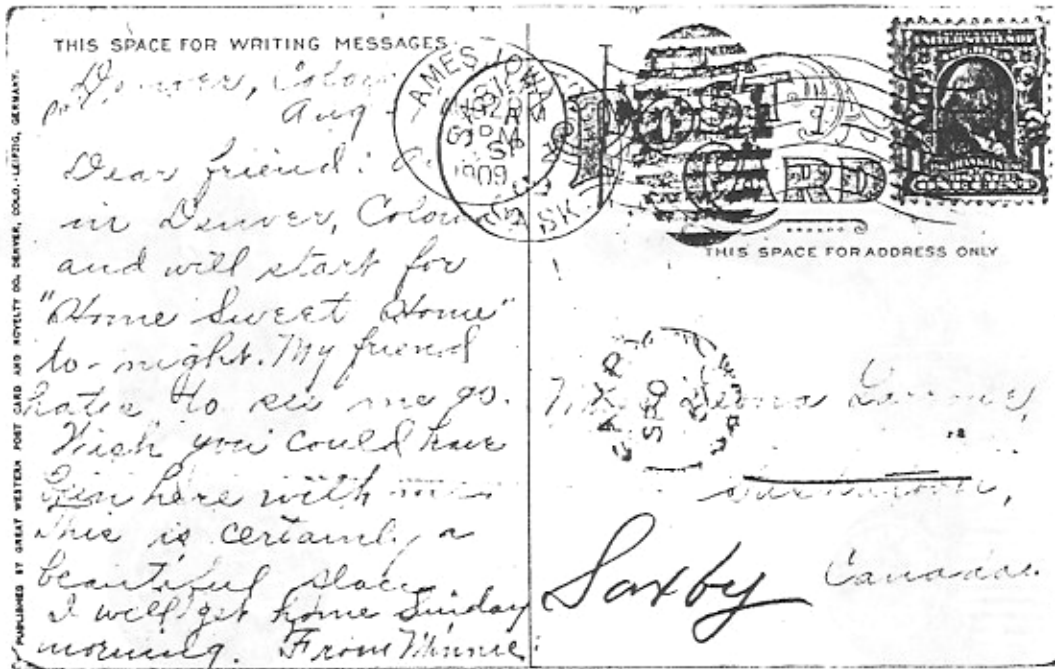


Here, courtesy of Bob Lee are two interesting photos of the YARKER/ONT. Duplex hammer DON-2025 Type II-B11 22. mm. dia. that was proofed 1917/02/02.

The left photo clearly shows the front of the striking face of the hammer while the right photo shows the back with the three slots into which the dating slugs are inserted. The slugs are held firmly in place when the striking face piece is screwed all the way into the hammer.



Photocopy of DON-2025 Proof Strike



This postcard was mailed from AMES, IOWA on AUG 29, 1909 to SASKATOON/CANADA where it was forwarded to SAXBY/SASK. The SASKATOON forwarding postmark dated AM/SP 2/09 is a duplex identified as:-

DSA-737 SASKATOON/SASK. II-B11 Proof date AM/AU28/09

The use of this hammer, five days after the proof date, could be the earliest possible date, considering the distance and travel time from Ottawa to Saskatoon.

We report a few more earlier and later dates of use for various duplex postmarks:-

Cat. No.	Town	Type	Earlier	Later	TM
DAB- 3	AIRDRIE/ALTA	II-B10		1946/06/15	AM
DAB- 50	BLACKIE/ALTA	II-B11	1918/02/27		Blank
DAB-120	CEREAL/ALTA	II-B11	1922/11/01		Blank
DAB-135	CLIVE/ALTA	II-B11	1925/12/22		AM
DSA-448	LIPTON/SASK	II-B11	1923/09/15		PM
DSA-485	MANOR/SASK	II-B11	1911/08/28		AM
DSA-810	SWIFT CURRENT/SASK.	II-B11		1915/06/23	AM
DSA-905	WAWOTA/SASK	II-R7	1957/10/21		Blank
DON-1851	TORONTO JUNCTION/ONT	II-A9	1900/03/26		Blank

This all the information we have for this time. We really do need reports from Study Group members.