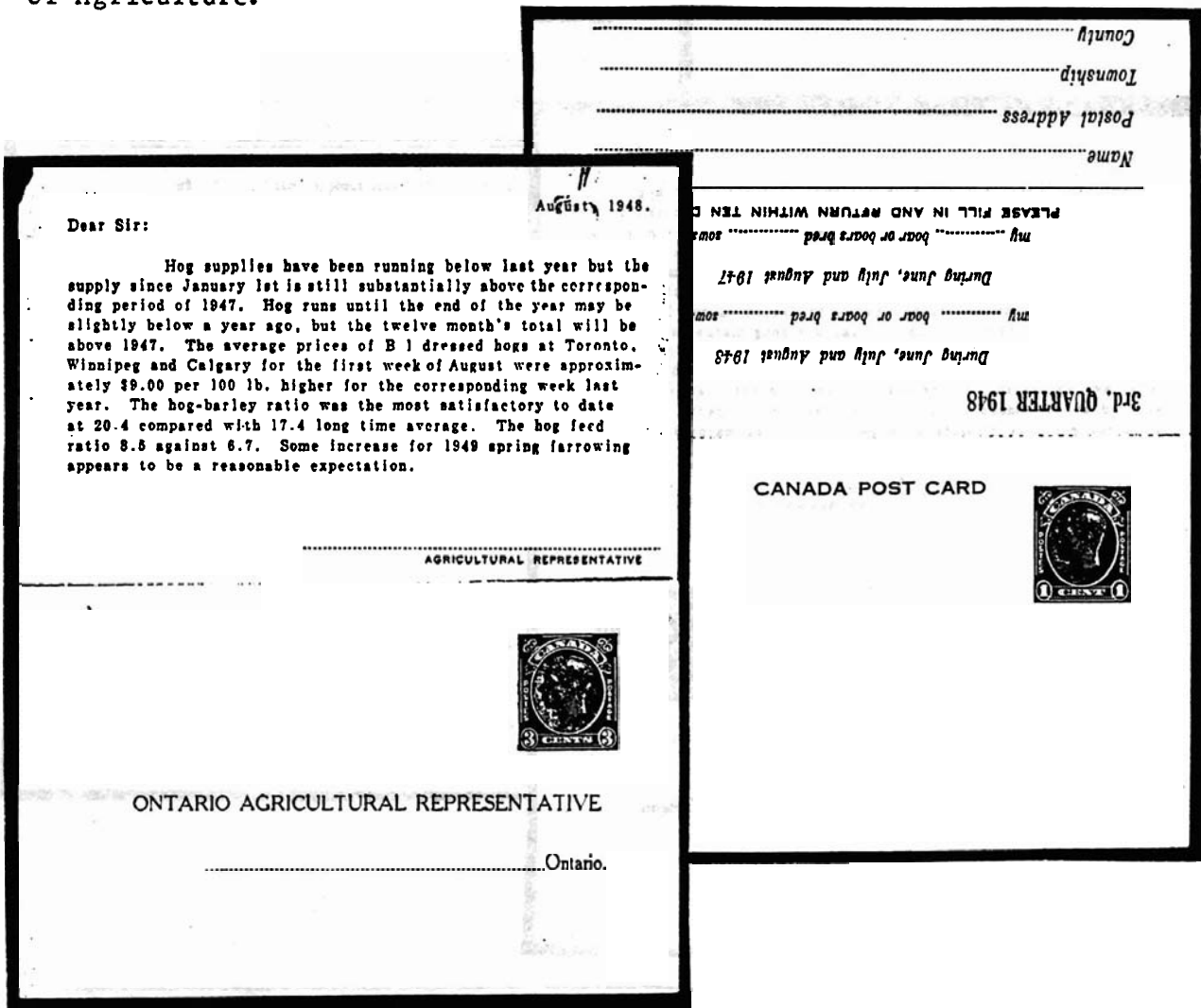


were based only on information from correspondence on file in the Postal Archives (Vol. 62, file 13-19-09) and, at the time, none of the cards had actually been reported by collectors. At least four different reply cards (with a total of 15 printings) were prepared. However, thanks to John Aitken and Dick Staecker, we can now show photocopies of two different types of reply cards from this series.

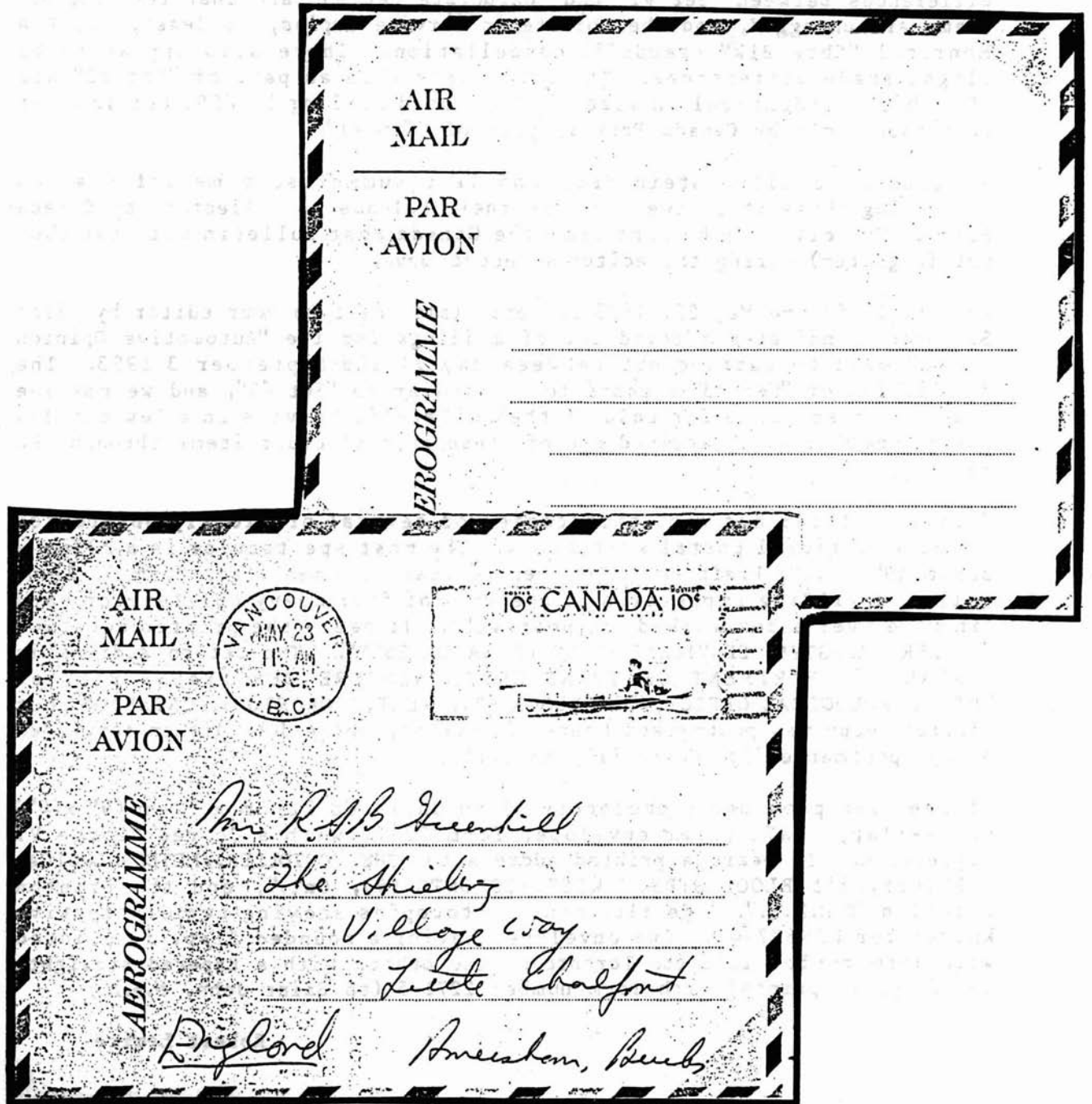
The two items are unused 2¢ + 2¢ and 1¢ + 3¢ George VI cards. There is a roulette between the message and reply halves, and each half measures 140 x 89mm. The cards were used for a survey of pork producers. The 2¢ + 2¢ cards bear a message dated June 1941. The message date on the 1¢ + 3¢ cards is August 1948. Another 3¢ reply half bears a form date of 4/49. The last recorded printing was in March 1948. Apparently the dated messages, survey forms and (in the case it exists) the form date were added to the reply cards after they had been forwarded to the Department of Agriculture.



John also reports a regular issue 3¢ card with a survey for March, April and May of 1947. This was apparently mailed out in an envelope. The printing on the card notes no special cards were available at that time, and the printing records show none were shipped between June 1945 and June 1947.

A USED FORMULA AIR LETTER SHEET

In PSN Vol. 10, pg. 19, the formula air letter sheets of Canada were discussed. Harry Machum has provided a photocopy of one of the formula sheets (corresponding to the air letter sheet A25) properly used in period.



SPECIAL ORDER POSTAL STATIONERY - NEW AND OLD

Canada Post has released for sale, through its Antigonish philatelic outlet, "Corporate Set #2" of private order, non-denominational postal stationery. The three items in the set (two post cards and an envelope) were obviously prepared for the same firm as the previous set (COS Information Inc. of Montreal - see PSN Vol. 11 pg. 5). The main differences between "Set #2" and "Corporate Set #1" are that the "Set #2" items are untagged, and the Philatelic Service copies, at least, bear a Montreal "Nbre Blk" pseudo(?) cancellation. There also appear to be slight shade differences. The post cards sold as part of "Set #2" are 89mm high - identical in size to those used earlier by COS, but smaller than those sold by Canada Post as part of "Set #1".

My thanks to Allan Steinhart, who last summer sent me information concerning these items (well before their release to collectors by Canada Post). The clipping he sent from the Canada Post Bulletin was lost (but not forgotten) during the editor's recent move.

An article in the May 25, 1993 Bulletin (also sent to your editor by Allan Steinhart) indicates a third set of mailings for the "Automotive Opinion Forum" will be carried out between May 21 and September 3 1993. The description of "Set #3" appears to be similar to "Set #2", and we may see some of these items for sale at the Philatelic Service in a few months. Has any member ever received one of these special order items through the mail?

Pierre Gauthier has sent photocopies of several previously unreported items of official postal stationery. The most spectacular is a 229mm x 305mm (9" x 12") kraft envelope, centre seam, gummed flap, form 61-2294, with a 5¢ Wilding impression to the left of four heavy obliterator bars (in blue over a box marked "5¢ postage"). It bears the printed notation "ON HER MAJESTY'S SERVICE/SERVICE DE SA MAJESTE". The return address is "CANADA /DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT/MINISTERE DES TRANSPORTS" at "METEROROLOGICAL OFFICE,/315 BLOOR ST., WEST,/TORONTO 5, ONTARIO", but Pierre's copy was postmarked Mont-Joli Quebec, while John Aitken forwarded a copy postmarked Ft. Churchill, Manitoba.

Pierre also provided a photocopy of an unlisted 229mm x 92mm (9" x 4") cross-flap, kraft paper envelope, form 2273, with a 3¢ red George VI impression. It bears a printed address to "THE CONTOLLER,/METEOROLOGICAL SERVICES,/315 BLOOR STREET WEST,/TORONTO (5), Ont.", and the printed notation "O.H.M.S.". He also sent photocopies showing two distinctive knives for DEN527-40. One envelope, having a rounded flap, is printed with form number 2272 (to Toronto); the other, with a tapered straight-cut flap, is printed with form number 2271-5 (to Saint John, N.B.).

Robert Lemire

NEW POSTAL STATIONERY SERIES CONTINUED

On July 2, 1993, Canada Post issued the second set of 43¢ #8 and #10 envelopes in the series depicting scenes of provincial capitals. The #8 envelope shows a view of St. John's; the #10 shows a view of Toronto.

As has been proven to be the case several times before over the last century, printed return address lines are not popular with Canadian users of prestamped envelopes. Thus, the one major change between the second and first sets is the deletion of these lines from the design. The new stationery is printed on what appears to be whiter stock than the first set. The knives appear to be unchanged.

According to the Canada Post Bulletin, each set of envelopes in this series will only remain on sale for approximately six months, so it might be best to obtain copies as soon as they appear.

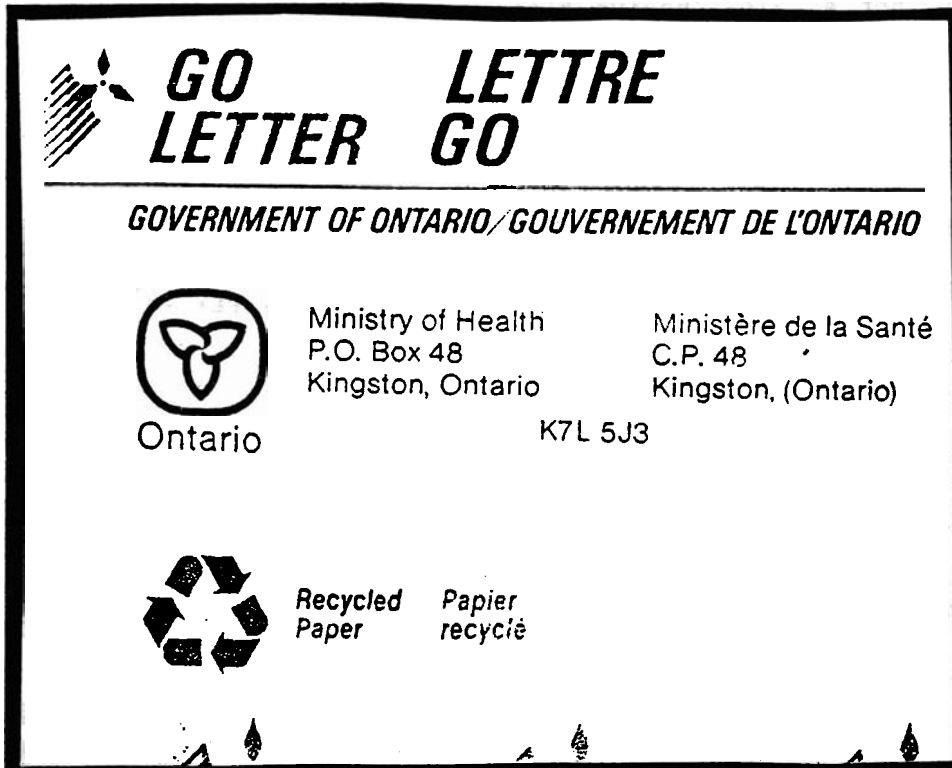
Robert Lemire

THE PLATE NUMBER ON A COPY OF P3

John Aitken reports that Steven Whitcombe, our expert on plating the early Victorian cards, thinks the marking at the upper right on the copy of P3 shown in the last issue of PSN (Vol. 11, pg. 11) is a partial plate number "3".

SPECIAL ORDER SPECIAL LETTER ENVELOPES AND PACKS

First a correction. In PSN Vol. 11, No. 2, pg. 12, I mentioned a solid red set of arrows in connection with the words "Recyclable Paper" on a "GO LETTER". This is incorrect. The solid arrows are on envelopes printed on "Recycled Paper" as in the Figure below.



The Ontario Government has also had a "GO PACK" prepared in the same size as the Priority Post Courier Packs. The pack is similar in colour to the

red "GO LETTER", but apparently as it is made of a reinforced paper, it bears no marking suggesting the pack is recyclable.

The Ontario Hydro "GO LETTER" reported previously was on recycled paper (PSN Vol. 11, pg. 12). Recently a used copy was found prepared on "Recyclable Paper".

According to the Post Office "Bulletin" of May 25, 1993, new Government of Canada "Custom Designed" Special Letter Envelopes are available (to government departments). They apparently have been prepared in the normal four sizes, but there is no indication of how they differ from the previous issue.

Dick Staecker reports New Brunswick special letter envelopes similar to the Edmonton Telephone envelope, but with a ship logo in the circles. Copies can be purchased from Patrick Lynch, Department of Supply and Services, P.O. Box 6000, Fredericton, N.B. E3B 5H1. Cost is \$1.85 for the red envelope, \$2.75 for the blue, plus \$2.00 for mailing. Cheques should be made out to "Minister of Finance - New Brunswick".

NEW REGULARLY ISSUED SPECIAL LETTER AND SPECIAL OCCASION ENVELOPES

The special letter envelopes printed on "recyclable" paper are now being replaced with envelopes printed on "recycled" paper. The new envelopes can be identified by the symbol and message on the flap. The corresponding special occasion envelopes have also been reported. These newest envelopes (still bearing form date 89-06) have a gummed strip on the flap, not a self-adhesive flap.

SOME MORE PRIORITY POST ENVELOPES

A few new reports from Dick Staecker:

U.S.A. letter envelope 10-91 but no Olympic rings
(and also no extraneous Trade Mark symbol as found on the
International letter envelope (PSN Vol. 11, pg. 14)

National letter envelope 10-92

National pack 10-92

Regional letter envelope 10-92

Regional pack 10-92

It is with regret that we report the death of Robert Corless, a member of the study group for many years.

On a more personal note, my wife, Alberta, died in May. She attended several BNAPS conventions, and counted many BNAPSers among her friends. She helped with the proof-reading and mailing of the Postal Stationery Notes, and was a constant source of encouragement to me.

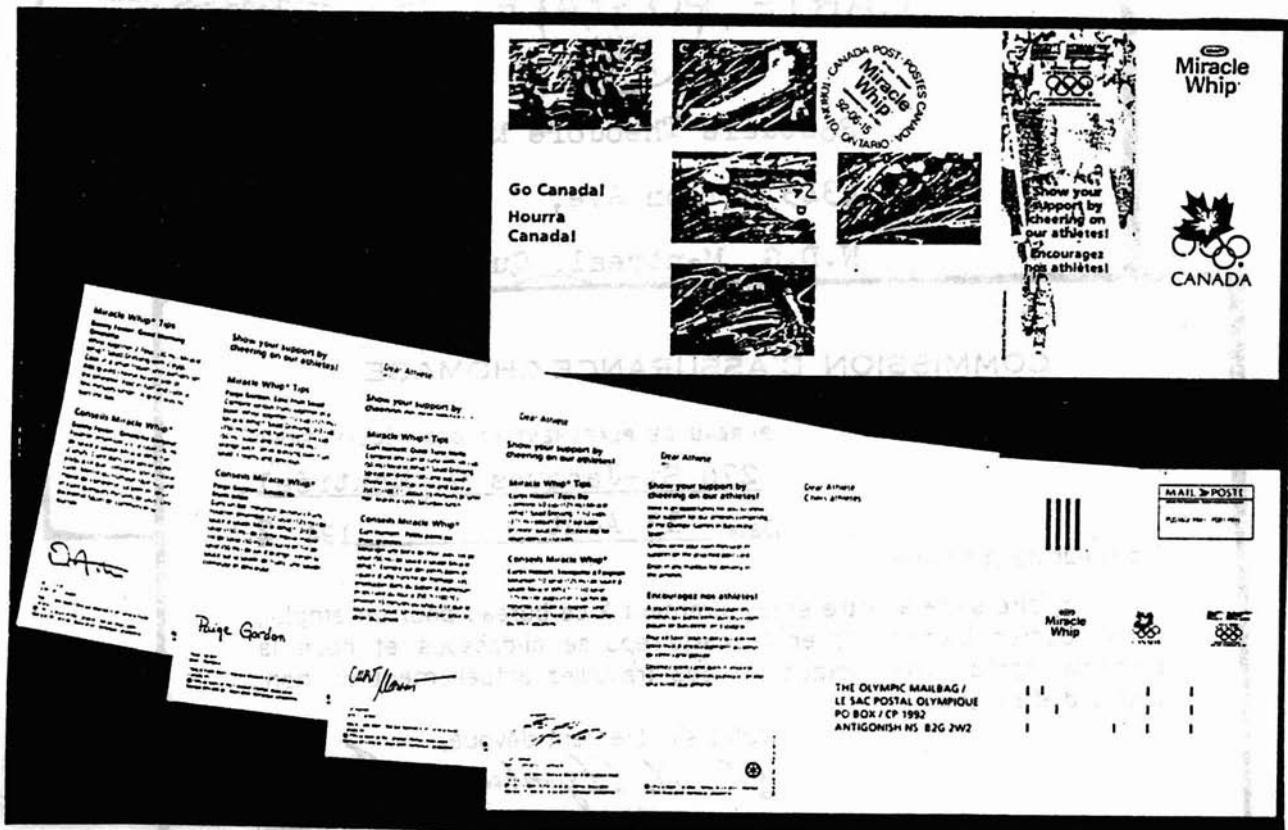
MORE ON THE OLYMPIC GAMES POST CARDS

From Andrew Chung via John Aitken comes some further notes on the Olympic Games Post cards. The Winter Games cards were distributed between January 31 and February 7, 1992. The Summer Games cards were distributed in late June/early July. Also, for the Summer Games cards,

"Attached to the postcard is a recipe portion of "Miracle Whip Tips" contributed by one of Canada's Olympic athletes. A surprise is that there are four different recipes - one recipe to a postcard. The recipes and the contributing athletes are:

- Good Morning Omelette by Danny Foster - Equestrian
- Easy Fruit Salad by Paige Gordon - Diver
- Quick Tuna Melts by Curt Harnett - Cyclist
- Zippy Dip by Curtis Hibbert - Men's Gymnastics "

It is likely the different varieties were not randomly distributed. Instead, the cards were probably distributed in batches each consisting of a single type. All the cards offered by the editor in the last issue of PSN have the "Easy Fruit Salad" recipe.



BNAPEX'93

BNAPEX this year will be held on September 3-5, the Friday, Saturday and Sunday of the Labour Day weekend. The show will be at the Royal York Hotel in Toronto, Canada. The Postal Stationery Study Group meeting is scheduled for 2:00 p.m. on Friday, September 3. Details concerning the show have appeared in BNA Topics. Plan to attend and meet your fellow collectors.

FRENCH VERSION OF WEBB DKP67k FOUND

During the early 1940's, special prestamped reply cards were issued for unemployment insurance registration. In Webb's, the entire reply card is listed as DKP67g, while the detached message half is listed as DKP67k. Until now, all reported copies of these cards were printed in English only. Now Pierre Gauthier has reported a card, shown below, for which the printing, including the heading, is entirely in French.

MONTREAL
AUG 13
1942
P. Q.

CARTE POSTALE

Rosedale Theodore Moise,
4343 Wilson Ave,
N.D.G. Montreal, Que.

COMMISSION D'ASSURANCE-CHÔMAGE

BUREAU DE PLACEMENT ET DES RÉCLAMATIONS
276 St-Jacques O, Montréal,
Date 13 Aout 194 2

Monsieur ou madame,

Pour faire suite à votre enregistrement à ce bureau pour un emploi, vous voudrez bien détacher la carte-réponse ci-dessous et nous la retourner après avoir indiqué si vous travaillez actuellement ou non. Inutile d'affranchir.

Votre sincèrement dévoué,
Lymburner, Jr.

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