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Editor's Post: When I committed to be the Editor of The Perforator I also committed to 3 issues a year. This issue is the first to be late under my stewardship and for this I apologize. Part of the reason was a very busy summer for me; I am still working as I approach 67 but I will admit that is by choice and not necessity. Part of the reason is that Cindy and I have had very busy summer with the birth of our first grandchild, the 5th first born son in a row (all named James). James V was 4 weeks premature and our daughter-in-law had a very difficult time. All is well now for which we are most thankful.

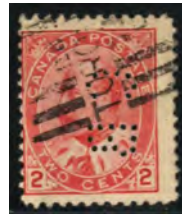
But in truth most of the reason for the tardiness is that there was simply no material to publish. I would encourage you, as I have done in the past, to write something up—a question, a comment or a story—it need not be long but it would truly be appreciated.

The printing costs for this issue are down marginally as I printed them on the office printer at 11.5¢ per page. With printing at \$38.00 and postage at \$48.28 there is slightly over \$1,950 in the kitty. Our healthy balance is attributable to the donations from Amelie Koning after the auction of the late Steve Koning's material by Bob Szymanski. November's auction has more of Steve's collection on offer.

Finally, the first 4 pages continue Gary Tomasson's award winning exhibit of OHMS (08) fakes.

Curzon Bothers Revisited (Pattern C2)

Barry Senior provided the following scans of a very pretty 2¢ Edward VII.



Barry goes on to say *“interesting thing to note is that it has a partial Toronto roller cancel but I can't see a date on it.”* Ron Whyte provided the following comment from the late Steve Koning on this pattern: *I do not think there was a true outlet in either Canada or France, but just agencies for the Cuzon Bros in Montreal, Toronto & Paris. After a talk with an old school friend who's father started his business as a tailor to 50+ shops in Vancouver and his grandfather who was a tailor in the London area that did piece work. I would think it was possibly and very easy, at the time, to be an agent with a tailoring shop for an international tailor from London especially with an outlet on Oxford Street plus a good size factory to back it up. What say you?*

The current edition of the handbook lists this pattern on Canadian, UK, French and Belgian issues. It's a puzzle to me. Were stamps purchased and then mailed to a head office for perforating and then returned? Were there 4 machines? Are there discernible differences between the patterns of the 4 countries? Are the rarity factors comparable? It would be great to sort this out

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FAKE 1 DIE MACHINE

Code - S1-M5-H10

Some holes are ripped rather than cut and, as a result the holes are more oval than round. Stamps are all used and were found on the west coast of Canada.

Fake



S1-M5-H10

Fake



S1-M5-H10

Fake



S1-M5-H10

Fake



S1-M5-H10

HOLE NO.	SIZE (mm)	MEASUREMENTS	
		(mm)	(°)
H7	0.70	-	-
O1	0.70	-	-
M5	0.70	0.34	160
S8	0.70	0.23	200
S1	0.70	0.35	250
H10	0.75	0.20	280

Fake



S1-M5-H10

GENUINE AND FAKE 5-hole OH/MS STAMPS

Examples

Can you tell a genuine stamp from a fake stamp?

O-O-O

M5-S7-O5



Genuine



Fake

FAKE 1½ DIE MACHINE

Code - M7-S8-H11

The holes are not cut but more ripped. The distance between Die A and Die B is 0.20 mm too small. Die B, which is the same in both stamps, has only O/M but the "O" is short "O3" and "O4" holes. The "M" is short "M19," "M11," "M12," "M13" and "M14" holes. This Fake was also found on the 5¢ Sir Wilfred Laurier, 5¢ Thomas D'Arcy, 3¢, 4¢ and 8¢ King George V "Scroll", 4¢ King George V "Arch", 5¢ and 8¢ King George V "Medallion" and the 1¢ and 3¢ Royal Visit. These stamps are used and were found on the west coast of Canada.

Die A Die B



M7-S8-H11
Fake

Die A Die B



M7-S8-H11
Fake

Die A Die B



M7-S8-H11
Fake

Die A



M7-S8-H11
Fake

Die A Die B



M7-S8-H11
Fake

Die B Die A



M7-S8-H11
Fake

Die A



M7-S8-H11
Fake

HOLE NO.	SIZE (mm)	MEASUREMENTS (mm) (°)	
H7	0.65	-	-
O1	0.63	-	-
M5	0.64	0.23	15
S8	0.62	0.21	30
M7	0.66	0.26	0
H11	0.70	0.20	0
H6	0.66	0.13	10
O8	0.65	0.14	330

FAKE 2 DIE MACHINE

Codes - S8-M5-02, S7-M5-02.

The stamp with both fake dies is in the Canada Postal Museum. These stamps were found on the west coast of Canada. The fake die was also seen in a 10¢ 'Admiral' and 2¢ New Brunswick stamp.

Die A



S8-M5-02
Fake

Die A



S8-M5-02
Fake

Die A



S8-M5-02
Fake

Die A



S8-M5-02
Fake

Die A



S8-M5-02
Fake

Die A



S8-M5-02
Fake

Die A



S8-M5-02
Fake

HOLE NO.	SIZE (mm)	MEASUREMENTS	
		(mm)	(°)
H7	0.63	-	-
O1	0.63	-	-
M5	0.65	0.21	70
S8	0.65	0.26	80
O2	0.65	0.20	0
M8	0.65	0.21	70
S10	0.63	0.23	90

GENUINE AND FAKE 5-hole OH/MS STAMPS

Can you tell a genuine stamp from a fake stamp?

Examples

O-0-0



Genuine

H2-S4-M2



Fake

FAKE 2 DIE MACHINE

Code - M14-S10-H1, M10-S10-O10

This is a complete 2 die fake machine. The holes are larger than the master. The distance between the "H7" holes are correct. This fake has been found on a 3¢ Royal Visit stamp. These stamps were found on the west coast of Canada.

Die B



M10-S10-O10
Fake

Die A Die B



M14-S10-H1, M10-S10-O10
Fake

Die B



M10-S10-O10
Fake

Die A Die B



M14-S10-H1, M10-S10-O10
Fake

Die A



M14-S10-H1
Fake

Die A Die B



M14-S10-H1, M10-S10-O10
Fake

Die A - M14-S10-H1

HOLE NO.	SIZE (mm)	MEASUREMENTS	
		(mm)	(°)
H7	0.70	-	-
O1	0.70	-	-
M5	0.72	0.12	30
S8	0.70	0.12	70
H1	0.70	0.15	290
M14	0.74	0.16	90
S7	0.71	0.13	80
S10	0.70	0.16	80

Die B - M10-S10-O10

HOLE NO.	SIZE (mm)	MEASUREMENTS	
		(mm)	(°)
H7	0.70	-	-
O1	0.74	0.10	120
M5	0.71	-	-
S8	0.71	-	-
O10	0.71	0.21	210
M10	0.70	0.28	210
S6	0.71	0.18	240
S10	0.70	0.23	200

HOLE BY HOLE FAKE

Code - M2-S5-O9, O2-M14-H5

Hole by hole fakes are made by placing a stamp with one or two genuine dies onto an ordinary stamp; thus creating a template to perforate the fake stamps one hole at a time. This stamp was found on the west coast of Canada.

Die A Die B



M2-S5-O9 O2-M14-H5
Fake

Die A – M2-S5-O9

HOLE NO.	SIZE (mm)	MEASUREMENTS	
		(mm)	(°)
H7	0.60	-	-
O1	0.63	-	-
M5	0.61	0.22	50
S8	0.64	0.10	70
O9	0.63	0.18	330
H1	0.62	0.10	20
M2	0.63	0.26	5
S5	0.61	0.25	10

Die B – O2-M14-H5

HOLE NO.	SIZE (mm)	MEASUREMENTS	
		(mm)	(°)
H7	0.63	-	-
O1	0.60	0.27	100
M5	0.62	0.21	30
S8	0.61	0.10	70
O2	0.60	0.30	25
H5	0.63	0.20	30
M14	0.62	0.22	70
S10	0.61	0.16	100

HOLE BY HOLE FAKES

All stamps were found on the west coast of Canada.

Examples

Fake



S10-M13-H11

Fake



S8-M5-H10

Fake



M14-O7-H8

Fake



S8-O4-M13

5th Edition Updates


Gary Tomasson

Here are the latest additions to the 5th Edition of the Handbook.

4.1	-	"At the bottom of Page 4.1 CONTACT PHOTOGRAPH is a contact photograph of the actual perforation. All of the photos are reversed so that stamps can be superimposed to verify the insignia in the stamp to the photo. Most perfins have the insignia in Position 1 that allows superimposition from the back, underside, of the stamp so that the colour and design of the stamp do not interfere with identification." will be changed to "The perfin image in most cases was made by a CONTACT PHOTOGRAPH of one of the dies of the perforating machine. Keep in mind that most perforators had multiple dies, which were not identical, so hole alignment may not be exact. In other words, the CONTACT PHOTOGRAPH is only a representation of the actual perfin die, and will not match, exactly, all perfin dies of the perfin number. The editors have attempted to maintain the correct image size when creating the PDF file. Various aspects of both the viewer's software and hardware in printing the PDF image may result in changes in the image size. Most perfins have the insignia in Position 1 that allows superimposition from the back, underside, of the stamp so that the colour and design of the stamp do not interfere with identification."
5.C.3	C10	Add stamps # 325 and # 335
5.O.3	O9	Add stamp # E7
5.S.3	S11	Add stamp # 218
5.T.2	T6	Earliest Postmark is added as 1909/12/07

3.3	-	In the table at the bottom against Cummins Model 14 delete 5 under Dies and replace with 1 .
		Against Cummins Model 52, Dies 5, add D4*, G6*, G17*, G18*, G19*, G20*, G21*, G22, G23*, I5*, I6*, I7*, I8*, I9*, I10*, I11*, I12*, I13*, I14*, I15*, I16*, I17*, I18*, I19*, I20*, I22*, M9*, N3*, P4*, P5*, S22*
		Add * not confirmed at the bottom of the table.
4.3	-	INITIAL OF THE PERFORATOR, last line, change NYL to NLY
5.A.2	A4	Add stamp numbers 105b and 116b . Delete stamp numbers 257 and 261
5.A.3	A11	Add stamp number 126 Delete stamp numbers 183, 186, 188, 212, 215, 226, 236, 247, 256 and 269
	A12	Add stamp number NFR17a
		Under COUNTRY correct C to CA
5.B.2	B9	Add 1927/04/29 as earliest postmark
		Add in ADDENDA & NOTES Known used at BFG Canadian Head Office at Kitchener ON
	B10	Change latest postmark from 1924/10/- to 1928/07/04
		Add stamp number 112c
5.B.3	B12	Correct B of M to B(O/F)M
		Add stamp number 108c
	B13	Add stamp number 167
		Add earliest postmark 1931/12/22
		Change latest postmark from 1931/12/22 to 1932/07/07
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	B14	Add stamp number 107
5.C.1	C2	In ADDENDA & NOTES add "... Montreal QC and Toronto ON roller cancel s. "
5.C.2	C6	Add stamp number 252b
5.C.3	C8	Change latest postmark from 1917/09/09 to 1936/09/05
	C10	Add stamp number 118
5.C.4	C11	Add in ADDENDA & NOTES Stamp found with Cape Town (South Africa) Paquebot cancel.
	C13	Add stamp number 143.
5.C.5	C15	Change earliest postmark from 1911/02/13 to 1911/01/11
	C16	Add stamp 458
5.C.6	C19	In USER'S IDENTIFICATION add CANADIAN INDUSTRIES LIMITED
		In LOCATON add MONTREAL QC
5.C.7	C21	Delete stamp number "...261, 257 , 269,..."
		Change latest postmark from 1951/07/31 to 1968/09/18
5.C.8	C24	Delete stamp number "301, 304 , 303,...". Add stamp number 302 and 594v.
	C25	Add stamp numbers 107e and 112c
5.C.9	C26	Add stamp numbers 107e, 520, 522, 541, 689, 737, 755, 758, 775, 839, 846, 865, 889, 933, 962, 1091 and NL257 . Move stamp number 1219 into the correct order.
5.C.10	C27	Delete stamp number 1169A . Add stamp numbers 108c, 112c, 112iii, 117a and 119c,
	C28	Add stamp numbers 110d, 153, 191i, 339p, 404pxi, 404pxii, 413, 428, 431, 462p, 465pi, 593i, 595i, 606p, 711, 907ii, 1146, 1347, 1348, 1356, 1357 and 1433
5.C.11	C29	Add stamp number C3
5.C.12	C33	Add stamp numbers 112c and FX41
		Change latest postmark from 1933/11/08 to 1934/01/31
	C34	Change earliest postmark from 1934/08/22 to 1934/02/12
5.C.13	C35	Add stamp numbers 108c, 112c and 163b
		Delete stamp number 163i
	C36	Add stamp numbers 107e, 112c, 365i, 430, C9i and FX14
5.C.14	C37	Add stamp numbers 107e, 112c and 117a
		Change earliest postmark from 1915/07/29 to 1915/05/15
		Change latest postmark from 1935/12/23 to 1937/12/10
	C39	Add earliest postmark of 1934/06/17
		Change earliest postmark from 1934/06/17 to 1934/06/27
		Delete stamp number NSB10
5.C.15	C42	In COUNTRY add SA (South Africa)
		Change latest postmark from 1941/04/05 to 1941/06/20
	C43	In LOCATION add CHICAGO IL

	O8	Earliest postmark 1926/03/26 is changed to 1924/04/15
		Latest postmark 1940/10/07 is changed to 1942/08/04
		Add stamp numbers 112c, 112iii, 119c, 122b,
		Add photo at bottom of page 
5.O.3	O9	Latest postmark 1956/01/22 is changed to 1958/01/22
		Add stamp numbers 259i and C9i
	O10	Latest postmark 1953/11/23 is changed to 1958/01/26
	O11	Latest postmark 1909/09/03 is changed to 1911/03/06
5.O.4	O12	Earliest postmark 1914/03/05 is changed to 1912/10/31
5.P.1	P2	Add stamp number 104viii
	P3	Delete all information for this perfin number but leave CONTACT PHOTOGRAPH. Add "We believe this perfin is FAKE."
	P4	Add stamp number 274.
5.P.2	P5	Delete stamp number 255i
		Delete 2 nd set of stamp numbers 269 to 283
	P6	Add stamp numbers 118 and 119b
	P7	Add stamp numbers 105, 107i, 117ii, 118b and 191a
5.P.3	P12	In COUNTRY add GB.
		In ADDENDA & NOTES add Pryce, Jones Ltd., Newtown, Monmouth-shire, GB
5.P.4	P13	Delete stamp number 130ii. Add stamp numbers 130b and 144
5.P.5	P18	Earliest postmark 1925/12/12 is changed to 1924/12/12
		Delete stamp numbers 107v, 110i, 110iii, 112iv and 119ii
		Add stamp numbers 105f, 107e, 110d and 119iv
	P19	Earliest postmark 1930/02/21 is changed to 1930/01/21
		Delete stamp numbers 169i, 172i and 435ii
		Add stamp number 169a
5.P.6	P21	Add stamp numbers 106ix, 107e and 119b
		Delete stamp numbers 104iii, 104iv, 105ii, 106vi, 108i, 108iii, 109i, 109ii, 113i and 113ii
5.Q.1	Q1	Delete 2 nd stamp number 237
5.R.1	R1	Earliest postmark 1912/01/12 is changed to 1910/06/18
		Latest postmark is 1912/01/12
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	R3	Earliest postmark 1908/-/- is changed to 1908/10/22
5.R.2	R5	Add stamp number 172
	R7	Add stamp numbers 163b and 237
		Delete stamp number 163i
5.R.3	R8	Earliest postmark 1911/02/09 is changed to 1911/02/02
		Delete stamp numbers 104iii, 104iv, 106i and 106vi
		Add stamp number 106b
	R9	Earliest postmark 1916/02/02 is changed to 1913/05/01
		Delete stamp numbers 105iii, 106i, 106vi, 106viii, 107v, 108a, 108i, 108iii, 110i, 110ii, 110iii, 112iv, 113i, 117i and 118i
		Add stamp numbers 107e, 112c, 114b, 117a, 119b, 120i and FX64
5.S.1	S1	Delete stamp numbers 104iii, 106i, 107v, 108i, 110ii, 112iv, 119ii, 448 and FWT6
		In COUNTRY add NL
		Add stamp numbers 120, 190 and 248
	S2	Add stamp number 336
	S3	Add stamp number MR3b
		Add stamp numbers 104iv, 106i, 106vi and 108i
5.S.2	S4	Delete stamp numbers 104iii, 104iv, 106i, 106vi, 112iv, 113i, 113ii and 119ii
	S7	Add stamp numbers 108c and 112c
		Delete stamp numbers 107b, 107v, 108i, 108iii and 112iv
5.S.3	S10	Latest postmark 1956/09/- is changed to 1957/10/06
		Delete stamp numbers 104iii, 104iv, 105iii, 106i, 106vi, 107v, 108i, 108iii, 110i, 110iii, 112iv, 118iii and 197ii
		Add stamp numbers 107e, 111a, 112a, 241a and 243
5.S.4	S15	Delete stamp numbers 75a, 77i, 77ii and 91iii
		Add stamp number 79b
5.S.6	S20	Delete stamp numbers 104iii, 104iv, 106i and 106vi
	S21	Earliest postmark 1913/-/- is changed to 1913/12/12
		Delete stamp numbers 104iii, 104iv, 106vi, 107v, 108a, 112iv, 113i, 113ii, 117i, 118i, 119i, 119ii, 122i and 197ii
		Add stamp numbers 197c and 377
	S22	Delete stamp numbers 108i, 108iii, 112iv and 119iv
		In COUNTRY add TT
		Earliest postmark 1922/05/19 is changed to 1922/03/23
5.T.1	T1	Earliest postmark is 1911/06/14
		Delete stamp number 104iv
		Add stamp number 104viii
	T2	Earliest postmark 1916/06/03 is changed to 1914/04/11
		Delete stamp number 106i
	T3	Delete stamp number 106i
	T4	Latest postmark 1920/03/05 is changed to 1920/05/27
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5.T.2	T6	Delete stamp number 106i and 108i
		Latest postmark is 1910/12/07
	T7	Delete stamps numbers 106i and 106vi
		Latest postmark 1916/08/21 is changed to 1918/06/12
		In ADDENDA & NOTES add Found on cover from Toronto ON
	T8	Delete stamp numbers 104iii, 106i and 106vi
	T9	Delete stamp numbers 105vi, 106a, 106i, 107ci, 107v, 108i, 108iii and 112iv
	T10	Delete stamp numbers 106i and 108iii
		Add stamp number 165a
5.T.3	T12	Delete stamp numbers 107v, 112iv, 189, 195i and 197ii
		Add stamp number 184
5.W.1	W1	Delete stamp numbers 104iii, 104iv, 106i and 108i
		Add stamp number MR4a
	W3	Delete stamp numbers 104iv and 106vii
5.W.2	W5	Add stamp numbers 162 and 494
	W6	Delete stamp number 104iii
5.W.3	W7	Delete stamp numbers 106i, 107v and 108i
		Add stamp number 212
	W8	Latest postmark 1910/01/15 is changed to 1911/01/12
	W9	Add stamp number 106ix
		Delete stamp numbers 104iii, 106i, 110i, 110ii, 110iii, 112iv, 117i, 119i, 119ii and 197ii
	W10	Add stamp number 45
5.W.4	W11	Add stamp number MR1
	W13	Add stamp number 215
		Delete stamp numbers 104iii, 106i, 106vi, 108i and 119ii
5.W.5	W14	Delete stamp numbers 110iii, 112iv and 197i
	W15	Add stamp number 311
	W16	Delete stamp number 106i
		Add stamp numbers 107e and 311
		Latest postmark 1950/05/11 is changed to 1952/05/11
5.W.6	W18	Add stamp numbers 115, 450 and 457c
		Delete stamp numbers 106i, 108i, 110ii, 110iii, 112iv, 114i, 119ii, 195i and 197ii

	W19	Add new perfin
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W19		-		
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5.#.1	#1	Latest postmark 1931/10/20 is changed to 1932/03/04	
		Delete stamp numbers 107v, 108i, 108iii, 110i, 110ii, 112iv and 119ii	
		Add to bottom of list	

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-			-	-
		See Addendum D. (This is not a perfin by definition).		

MacLean Publishing Co Ltd

Jim Graham

I had occasion very recently to acquire a couple of covers with Maclean Publishing Co Ltd (J3) perfin to go with 2 I already owned. In all there are 6 different masthead as shown below. (reduced)



The one consistency is the return address— P O Box 368 Toronto and all carry Toronto CDS cancels

MASTHEAD	CANCEL DATE	CANCEL INFORMATION	NOTES
THE MACLEAN PUBLISHING CO, LIMITED	NO 2 17	TORONTO CANADA	Branches listed in Montreal, Winnipeg, Vancouver and Lon- don Eng
THE MACLEAN PUBLISHING CO.	JUL 8 1920	TORONTO ONT	
BOOKSELLER AND PUBLISH- ER	FEB 19 1926	TORONTO. ONT. POSTAL TERM'L A	VANCOUVER HAS NOT BEEN IN- CLUDED AS A LOCATION
THE FARMER'S MAGAZINE	Apr 13 1915	TORONTO. ONT.	LONDON ENG NOT INCLUDED AS A LOCATION SHOWS THE PUBLISHING OFFICE TO BE 143-149 UNIVERSITY AVE.
HARDWARE AND METAL	AUG 28 1922	TORONTO. ONT. POSTAL TERM'L A	
CANADIAN MACHINERY MANUFACTURING NEWS	JUN 22 1923	TORONTO. ONT. POSTAL TERM'L A	

I would like to add to the above table with new covers or with changes in the covers shown in the scans. Also adding CDS information so that we might be able to gather first and latest date of usage for each cover would also make a nice addition to the table. My contact information is at the bottom of page 1.

THE BOSTON MUSIC COMPANY

Jim Graham

Local dealer and collector Gary Steele unearthed the following 2 items in a box of printed matter covers he purchased as part of a larger lot of material. What a find!



The scans are reduced. The envelopes measure 6"x 9" and probably contained sheet music or perhaps lists of sheet music available. As clean as these covers are the real surprise was on the back.

Cover 1, with the Boston precancel BM/C perfin has this FCD2 affixed to the back.



Customs Duty Stamps were used on foreign advertising mail from 1912. van Dam the Crown series (4 values) were printed in both wet and dry formats. These are presumably dry print given "DUTY PAID" date stamp on the FCD 1.

Cover 2, the 1¢ pre-printed envelope has this FCD1 affixed to the back



Both revenues are BM/C perfins, a "B" rated perfin pattern (the USA perfin pattern is "D" rated) on cover no less; one tied with very readable DUTY PAID customs stamp. Originally listed as the Hatch Music Company the listing changed to the Boston Music Company in the 5th Edition of the Canadian Stamps with Perforated Initials Handbook. The following is taken from the US Perfins Bulletin of June 1998 and was contributed by Albert Spencer: *Was U.S. perfin B161 (BMC) used by the Hatch Music Company as has long been thought or was it actually used by the Boston Music Company? Boston Music Company was founded by Gustav Schirmer Jr. In 1919 the firm acquired the catalogue (and possibly all the operations) of the Hatch Music Company of Philadelphia. Hatch had never been based in Boston. Most of the BM/C perfins I have seen are precancelled BOSTON MASS and my collection indicates the pattern was used between 1916 and about 1926. What I have yet to see is a BM/C perfin on cover with a corner card identifying the user as either the Boston Music Company (which seems logical given the pattern) or the Hatch Music Company.....*

In June 2001, Mr. Spencer wrote Ron Whyte, in part: *I had not realized it was a perfin on revenue stamps, so there would be no covers. I have seen no verifying covers of Boston Music Company nor Hatch Co. in the U.S. Our catalogue shows there are verifying covers but no one knows where they are.*



Both are remarkable covers, with the one having the scarce BM/C pattern legitimately used on the issues of 2 Countries and one of those uses a Canadian Revenue issue on cover. Quite a find.

Credits: I would like to thank Gary Steele for the opportunity to see the covers and for the scans in this article; and Ken Masters and Doug Cutler of the US Perfins Club and Ron Whyte of our own Study Group for their contributions to the article. And finally I agree with Ron when he wrote "albert Spencer will be singing out (((Hallelujah! They found a cover!)))". Editor