

## Key Dates and Correspondence (from 1851-61 Era) Regarding Stamps Produced by Toppan, Carpenter

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| 3/3/51  | Act of 3/3/51   | Act of 3/3/1851 to reduce and modify rates of postage in the United States, and for other purposes.   |
| 3/8/51  | PMG Hall to RWHE; TCC; Baldwin & Adams; Danforth Bald; Draper Welsh; John E Gavit | Consistent with law of 3/3/51, PMG Hall invites six companies to enter competition, provide line engraved sample, suggests Washington profile, 'US Postage Three Cents'; prices and matters to be agreed to by 4/20/1851.   |
| 4/22/51 | PMG Hall to Danforth Bald and TCC   | TCC and Danforth Bald are finalists; what is best price for 4 year contract? Spells out some terms: steel plates and dies; gummed; no charge for plates or maintenance; two scenarios 3c only and 1c and 6c or 1c and 12c, with 3c.   |
| 4/23/51 | John Marron to TCC  | TCC notified that bid is accepted for 4 years with verbal modifications agreed between Carpenter and Hall. Contract to be prepared and forwarded shortly.   |
| 4/28/51 | Newspaper article in Philadelphia Sun [Ashbrook, Vol. I, p. 46]                   | Newspaper article says "We have already stated that our townsmen, Messrs. Toppan, Carpenter & Co., have the contract." Article describes the designs of the 1, 3, and 12c stamps. [Note: 6c is no longer listed indicating perhaps dropped from consideration.]   |
| 5/16/51 | John Marron to TCC  | Asks when dies and plates will be ready . Can they furnish proofs by 5/23?  |
| 5/20/51 | TCC to John Marron  | Proofs will be ready on 5/25.   |
| 5/24/51 | TCC to PMG Hall   | <p>Plate finished for 1c; plate proofs submitted.</p> <p>Die proofs submitted for 3c. Ready to transfer plate, if approved.</p> <p>Plate finished for 12c; plate proofs submitted.</p> <p>Plate finished for 1c and 12c; plate proofs submitted.</p> <p>Die proofs submitted for Franklin Carrier (head of 1c). Ready to transfer plate, if approved. [There is no additional correspondence on Franklin Carriers until 8/2/51, about the time that the lead in period for the 1c, 3c, and 12c stamps is complete.]</p> |
| 5/30/51 | PMG Hall to TCC   | <p>Orders TCC to print 2,100,000 1c, 2,500,000 3c, 200,000 12c.</p> <p>Orders TCC to print 2,100,000 1c.</p> <p>Orders TCC to print 200,000 12c.</p> <p>Orders TCC to print 2,500,000 3c.</p>   |
| 5/31/51 | TCC to PMG Hall   | <p>Plate for 1c ready for press. Awaiting paper (due 6/2/51) at which time they will commence printing.</p> <p>Plate for 12c, 3c, and 1c stamps ready for press. Awaiting paper (due 6/2/51) at which time they will commence printing.</p> <p>Plate for 3c ready for press. Awaiting paper (due 6/2/51) at which time they will commence printing.</p>   |



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| 5/31/51     | John Marron to TCC  | Transmits contract, enclosed in duplicate, good for 6 years from date signed.   |
|             | TCC to PMG Hall   | Plate for 12c ready for press. Awaiting paper (due 6/2/51) at which time they will commence printing.   |
|             | John Marron to TCC  | Transmits contract, enclosed in duplicate, good for 6 years from date signed.   |
| 6/10/51     | 1851 Contract   | Contract commencement date for TCC.   |
| 6/13/51     | John Marron to TCC  | Marron asks when will deliveries commence to postmasters. He needs two days notice to authorize an Agent to receive them.   |
| 6/16/51     | TCC to John Marron  | States 1.5 million (all three denominations) printed but will not start gumming till 6/17; 600,000 1c stamps will be ready on 6/23/51.<br>States 1.5 million (all three denominations) printed but will not start gumming till 6/17; 800,000 3c stamps will be ready on 6/23/51.<br>States 1.5 million (all three denominations) printed but will not start gumming till 6/17; 200,000 12c stamps will be ready on 6/23/51.<br>States 1.5 million (all three denominations) printed but will not start gumming till 6/17; 200,000 12c, 600,000 1c, and 800,000 3c stamps will be ready on 6/23/51.  |
| 6/20/51     | John Marron to TCC  | Orders 6.0 million 1c, 10 million 3c, .5 million 12c.<br>Orders 6.0 million 1c.<br>Orders 10 million 3c.<br>Orders 0.5 million 12c.   |
| 6/21/51     | TCC to John Marron  | First delivery by TCC to Post Office (Special Agent Waller): includes 300,000 3c.<br>First delivery by TCC to Post Office (Special Agent Waller): includes 100,000 1c.<br>First delivery by TCC to Post Office (Special Agent Waller): includes 100,000 12c, 100,000 1c, 300,000 3c.<br>First delivery by TCC to Post Office (Special Agent Waller): includes 100,000 12c.  |
| 6/24/51     |   | Second delivery. Some items delivered are ones for which color will not stand (3c).   |
| 6/25/51     |   | TCC deliveries 150,000 one cent stamps to Post Office.  |
| 6/29/51     | xx[Insert analysis to show difference from PMG report totals] | TCC apparently deliveries 150,000 one cent stamps to Post Office. [We do not have a receipt for this delivery, but the amount is estimated in order to tie total quantities delivered with PMG reports.]<br>TCC apparently delivers 840,000 three cent stamps to Post Office. [We do not have a receipt for this delivery, but the amount is estimated in order to tie total quantities delivered with PMG reports.]<br>TCC apparently delivers 20,000 twelve cent, 150,000 one cent, 840,000 three cent stamps to Post Office. [We do not have a receipt for this delivery, but the amount is estimated in order to tie total quantities delivered with PMG reports.]<br>TCC apparently delivers 20,000 twelve cent to Post Office. [We do not have a receipt for this delivery, but the amount is estimated in order to tie total quantities delivered with PMG reports.] |
| 7/1/51      | [Chronicle #171]  | EKU for 1c plate 1E (Scott #5A, Scott #7).<br>EKU for 3c plate 1E (Scott #10).  |



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| 7/11/51     | TCC to PMG Hall   | TCC anticipated large demand for 3c and made two plates, which were worked double; will at once engrave another 3c plate.   |
| 7/12/51     | [Chronicle #171]  | EKU for 3c plate 1I.  |
| 7/19/51     |   | EKU for 3c plate 5E.  |
| 7/23/51     |   | EKU for 3c plate 2E.  |
| 7/24/51     | John Marron to TCC  | Necessary to engrave 4th plate of 3c; due to demand and to avoid delays when retouching of plates necessary.  |
| 8/2/51      |   | Impressions of Franklin Carrier Stamp requested in green, yellow and other colors which TCC deems appropriate and can be distinguished by candle light.   |
| 8/4/51      | [Chronicle #171]  | EKU for 12c plate 1 (Scott #17).  |
| 8/8/51      | TCC to John Marron  | Four Franklin Carrier specimens enclosed. Paper more expensive but perhaps can buy larger quantity than normal order.   |
| 8/10/51     | Asst. PM John Montgomery to PMG Hall  | Provides alternate design for Franklin Carrier stamps. [There is no additional correspondence on the alternative (Eagle) design until 9/27/51 just as the Franklin Carrier is ready for delivery.]                        |
| 8/12/51     | John Marron to TCC  | Orders 300,000 Franklin Carriers printed, blue ink on pink paper.   |
| 9/8/51      | [Chronicle #171]  | EKU for 3c plate "0". [Plate "0" never had a plate number stamped in its imprint.]  |
| 9/21/51     | TCC to John Marron [Steinmetz, p. 9 and 11]                                     | Per Steinmetz, TCC replies that Franklin Carriers ready for delivery. [This date does not match TCC letter of 9/27/51.]   |
| 9/27/51     | TCC to John Marron  | 300,000 Franklin Carriers are now ready.  |
|             | Asst. PM John Montgomery to PMG Hall [Chronicle #117, p. 28]                    | Montgomery tells Hall he will forward an alternative (Eagle) design for Carrier stamp in a few days.  |
| 9/29/51     | Amonette Collection   | Potential EKU for 3c plate 1L for experimental orange brown color (Scott #11). [This off-cover has no direct evidence (year date, docketing, enclosure) to confirm 1851 usage.]   |
|             | [Tiffany, p. 87]  | Date given by Tiffany for issue of Franklin Carrier. [Tiffany based this date on WM Ireland letter of 8/10/69, which contained errors about dates and the color of the Eagle Carrier stamp (which he stated was orange).] |
| 9/30/51     | Hulme Collection  | Potential EKU for 3c plate 1L for experimental orange brown color (Scott #11). [This off-cover has no direct evidence (year date, docketing, enclosure) to confirm 1851 usage.]   |
| 10/4/51     | [Chronicle #171]  | EKU for 3c plate 1L for experimental orange brown color (Scott #11). [This cover has no direct evidence (year date, docketing, enclosure) to confirm 1851 usage.]   |
| 10/5/51     | Asst. PM John Montgomery to PMG Hall [Chronicle #117, p. 28]                    | Montgomery transmits impression of new (Eagle Carrier) design.  |
| 10/6/51     | TCC to John Marron  | First delivery of Franklin Carrier from TCC to Post Office; Delivery included 300,000 Franklin Carriers plus other stamps of different values.  |
| 10/10/51    | PMG Hall endorsement on Montgomery letter dated 10/5/51 [Chronicle #117, p. 29] | Hall endorsement on back of Montgomery's letter on the alternative Eagle design reads: "Design approved and stamps ordered".  |
|             | John Marron to TCC [Steinmetz, p. 11]   | Date given by Steinmetz that Marron sent Eagle Carrier design (from Montgomery) to TCC.   |
| 10/11/51    | [Chronicle #122, p. 95]   | Date given by Perry that on this date 250,000 Franklin Carriers sent to New York and 50,000 to New Orleans. [Perry based this information on Post Office shipment data.]  |



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| 10/11/51    | [Meyersburg Collection, Siegel Sale #791]                         | Date given in Meyersburg auction catalog that Franklin Carriers were sent out on 10/11/1851. [Meyersburg apparently used Chronicle #122, p. 95 as his source for this information.]  |
| 10/12/51    | [See Ashbrook Special Service, p. 119]                            | EKU for 3c plate 1L for experimental orange brown color (Scott #11), which has direct evidence (enclosure) to confirm 1851 as year of usage.   |
| 10/13/51    | PM Ells (Superintendent of Letter Carrier Service NY) to PMG Hall | Acknowledges receipt of (Franklin) Carrier stamps. [This entry confirms Perry's 10/11/51 shipment to NYC.]   |
|             |   | Ells had previously understood these stamps were to be furnished free, but he was charged for these stamps. Asks for clarification. [Docketing indicates he was answered on 10/16/51.]   |
|             |   | The business of his department is growing, and he provides details, including a quarterly report.  |
| 10/16/51    | John Marron to TCC  | Forwards Eagle Carrier design to TCC. Toppan Carpenter originally provided this alternative design to Asst. PM Montgomery of Philadelphia. Says 1 million will be needed.  |
| 10/17/51    | TCC to John Marron  | Acknowledges order for Eagle Carrier. Says die will be prepared and stamps furnished.  |
| 10/19/51    | [Chronicle #122, p. 95]   | Date given by Perry that receipt was signed by the New Orleans Post Office for the Franklin Carrier shipment of 10/11/51. [Perry based this information on Post Office shipment data.]   |
| 10/21/51    |   | Date given by Perry that the Post Office Department sent 10,000 Franklin Carriers sent to Philadelphia. [Perry based this information on Post Office shipment data.]   |
|             | [Chronicle #117, p. 19]   | Date given by Perry that Philadelphia Post Office received its only supply of Franklin Carriers (10,000 stamps). [Perry based this information on Post Office shipment data.]  |
|             | [Luff, p. 192]  | Date given by Luff for delivery of Franklin Carriers to Post Office by TCC. Luff says "Here is, obviously, a mistake. Probably the date should be Sept. 21, 1851." [Luff's source may have gotten the data confused because of other shipments this date.] |
|             | PMG Hall to TCC   | Hall directs TCC to print 10,000 Eagle Carriers.   |
|             | John Marron to Asst. PM John Montgomery                           | Marron tells Montgomery that TCC has been directed to print 10,000 Eagle Carriers.   |
| 10/22/51    | [Siegel #783 (Amonette Sale), lot #319]                           | EKU for 3c plate 1L for brownish carmine color shade (Scott #11).  |
| 10/28/51    | [Meyersburg/Johnstone Census, item #7]                            | EKU of Franklin Carrier (Scott #L01). This item in postmarked from Philadelphia to Croatesville, Pa.   |
| 11/6/51     | TCC to John Marron  | Five impressions of Eagle Carrier delivered to Post Office. Red paper is "too green" hence gum strikes through; suggests white paper and blue ink.   |
| 11/7/51     | John Marron to TCC  | White paper okay for Eagle Carrier. Montgomery has the authority to decide on color of ink, must be uniform shade. This was big problem with color on 1c stamp (allowing reuse). Orders 20,000.  |
|             | John Marron to Asst. PM John Montgomery                           | White paper okay; blue ink okay but must be uniform; dark versus light blue can be decided by Montgomery based on ability to properly cancel it. Returns sheets; Says he has ordered 20,000 from TCC.  |
| 11/17/51    | TCC to John Marron  | First delivery of Eagle Carriers from TCC to Post Office. It contained 20,000 Eagle Carriers. It also accounted for a prior shipment of 10,000 Franklin Carriers on 10/21/51.  |
|             | [Tiffany, p. 88]  | Date given by Tiffany for issue of Eagle Carrier stamp. [Tiffany based this date on WM Ireland letter written in 1869, which contained errors about dates and the color of the stamp (which he stated was orange).]  |



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| 11/21/51    | [Chronicle #117, p. 20]   | Date given by Perry that Philadelphia Post Office received 20,000 Eagle Carriers. [Perry based this information on Post Office shipment data.]  |
| 12/5/51     | PM Maddox (of Baltimore) to John Marron                               | Asks if Post Office prepared to furnish Carrier stamps. Docketing indicates response on 12/26.  |
| 12/8/51     | TCC to John Marron  | TCC says that whole of order for Eagle Carriers has been printed and a considerable portion gummed;   |
| 12/15/51    | PM Maddox (of Baltimore) to John Marron                               | Asks re Carriers stamps - are you prepared to furnish same?   |
| 12/22/51    | John Marron to PM White of Philadelphia                               | Asks if any objection to furnishing PM at Baltimore with Eagle Carriers?  |
| 12/24/51    | PM White (of Philadelphia) to John Marron.                            | No objection to Baltimore using the Eagle Carrier.  |
| 12/25/51    | TCC to John Marron  | Delivery of 280,000 Eagle Carriers from TCC to Post Office.   |
| 12/26/51    | John Marron to PM CT Maddox (of Baltimore)                            | No carriers in hand till tomorrow. Can furnish same color as Philadelphia (does he have any objection?). Describes Franklin Carrier as black ink on pink paper used in NY and NO; Eagle in Philadelphia.  |
| 12/27/51    | PM Maddox (of Baltimore) to John Marron                               | Orders 50,000 of Eagle Carrier.   |
| 1/3/52      | [Chronicle #171][Caspary Sale 3/18/57, lot 23]                        | EKU for Eagle Carrier (Scott #L02). This cover is postmarked from Philadelphia.   |
| 1/5/52      | Hulme Collection  | Potential EKU for 3c plate 3. [This is an off-cover item, with no direct evidence of year, but it is likely due to ob color and impression.]  |
| 1/7/52      | [New discovery, not previously reported][Add reference when reported] | EKU for 3c plate 2L.  |
| 1/13/52     | Hulme Collection  | Potential EKU for 3c plate 3. [This is an off-cover item, with no direct evidence of year, but it is likely due to ob color and impression.]  |
| 1/15/52     |   | Official EKU for 3c plate 3. This item has been questioned but may be correct.  |
| 1/27/52     | TCC to John Marron  | Delivery of 200,000 Eagle Carriers to Post Office. [This is the last recorded receipt letter from TCC to Post Office for shipment of Eagle Carriers. However, others were shipped directly from TCC to postmasters (see letter dated 7/16/53).] |
|             | [Tiffany, p. 88]  | Date given by Tiffany for discontinuance of Eagle Carrier stamp. Quotes letter from 3rd PMG dated 7/30/69 stating Eagle Carrier was issued 11/17/51 and withdrawn 1/27/1851.  |
|             | [Tiffany, p. 88][Luff, p. 194]  | Tiffany indicates his doubt about discontinuance of Eagle Carriers on 1/27/52: PMG reports quantities issued: FY 52 - 4.8 million; FY 53 - 4.4 million; FY 54 - 7.1 million. Luff says he could not confirm Tiffany's quantities.               |
|             | [Chronicle #117, p. 25]   | Perry indicates his doubt about discontinuance of Eagle Carriers on 1/27/52: Perry suggests that the Franklin Carrier may have been discontinued on this date, but not the Eagle Carrier.   |
| 1/28/52     | John Marron to TCC  | Send no more carriers and 1c stamps unless ordered.   |
| 3/9/52      | Hulme Collection  | Potential EKU for 3c plate 3. Several earlier items may exist but the 1/15/52 cover may be incorrect.   |
|             | [EKU reported in Chronicle #171 now deemed erroneous]                 | EKU for 3c plate 3. [An earlier date 1/15/52 is known but has been questioned.]   |



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| 4/15/52     | [Chronicle #122, p. 95]  | Date given by Perry that receipt was signed by the NY Post Office for Franklin Carrier shipment of 10/11/51. [While this date is as recorded in Post Office records, we know this shipment was actually received on 10/13/51, see letter from Asst. PM Ells.] |
| 4/17/52     | PM Brady (of NYC) to John Marron   | Brady's instructions authorize him to sell to Letter Carriers and Stationers at 10% discount. Mr. Ells offers to be intermediary, and Brady asks permission to sell to Ells at 10% discount as well.  |
| 5/5/52      |  | Follow up letter re Mr. Ells and Carrier proposition.   |
| 5/21/52     | John Marron to PM of NYC (Brady)   | Ells plan approved for 10% discount; accounting details provided.   |
| 6/8/52      | [New discovery, not previously reported][Add reference when reported]                    | EKU for 1c plate 1L.  |
| 9/15/52     | [Caspary Sale of 3/18/57, lot 15]  | The earliest recorded usage of a Franklin Carrier from New York City was on this date.  |
| 9/17/52     | Journal of the Postmaster General Vol. 29, p. 18 [The Philatelist, November 1973, p. 38] | PMG order directing Postmasters to order Carrier stamps directly from TCC. From this point on the Post Office Department was totally out of this loop, including record keeping.  |
| 10/16/52    | PM Brady (of NYC) to John Marron   | 6,800 of 250,000 (Franklin) Carriers have been sold in NYC since 4/17/52. Brady returns the remaining stamps.   |
| 10/19/52    | TCC to John Marron [National Archives]   | TCC states they have but 14 packages of 1c stamps on hand, but will print more at once to supply the next delivery.   |
| 7/16/53     | TCC to John Marron   | Sent 40,000 Eagle Carrier stamps to James Berret in DC. Other Eagle Carriers have been furnished directly to Philadelphia Post Office.  |
|             | PM Fowler (of NYC) to Marron?  | TCC asks Marron to confirm their authorization to issue carrier stamps to any PM who requests and pays.   |
|             |  | Forwards letter from Carnes and Haskel recommending 10c stamp be bought back into use.  |
| 8/12/53     | [Chronicle #121, p. 29]  | The earliest recorded usage of a Eagle Carrier from Washington DC was on this date.   |
| 9/2/53      | John Marron to TCC [See docketing on TCC to Marron letter dated 7/16/53]                 | Marron answered TCC re authorization to issue carrier stamps to any PM who requests and pays.   |
| 1/12/55     | TCC to John Marron   | 12c stamps sent on 12/29/54 were gummed imperfectly several years ago [editor's note: perhaps as much as four years ago]; demand so small none recently printed; please return same for new; apologies.   |
| 3/3/55      | 3/3/55 Amendment to Act of 3/3/51 [National Archives]                                    | Allowed PMG to compel prepayment by stamps effective 1/1/56 for letters to places within the United States (excludes letters to/from foreign countries), from on or after 4/1/55.   |
|             |  | Increased rate of postage between Pacific coast and the east from 6c to 10c.  |
|             |  | Act authorized Postmaster to establish system for registration of valuable letters, and to require a registration fee of 5 cents. [It was not mandatory to pay this fee in stamps until 6/1/67.]  |
| 3/10/55     | John Marron to TCC   | PMG wishes TCC to prepare 10c stamp; details left to TCC but PMG wants to see proof; one million ordered.   |
| 3/12/55     | JT Gest to John Marron   | Acknowledges Marron letter to engrave a 10c plate.  |
| 3/28/55     | [Chronicle #171]   | EKU for 3c plate 4.   |
| 3/29/55     | John Marron to TCC   | Marron asks if 10c stamps ready.  |



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| 3/29/55     | JT Gest to John Marron                    | TCC replies to Marron that they cannot yet supply ten cent stamps as none are in readiness; will send as soon as possible.  |
| 4/10/55     | John Marron to TCC                        | Marron anxious re 10c stamp; only 700,000 of 1c left.   |
| 4/12/55     | TCC to John Marron                        | 10c stamp plate will be ready for printing on 4/25/1855, with supply on 5/1/55.   |
| 4/25/55     | [TCC to John Marron letter dated 4/12/55] | This is date that TCC said (in prior letter) the 10c plate would be ready.  |
| 5/1/55      |   | This is date that TCC said (in prior letter) the supply of 10c stamps would be available.   |
| 5/3/55      | JT Gest to John Marron                    | First delivery of ten cent (10c) stamps.  |
| 5/4/55      | [Luff, p. 54, p. 56]                      | Date given by Luff for delivery of ten cent stamp.  |
| 5/5/55      | [Tiffany, p. 94]                          | Date given by Tiffany for issue of ten cent stamp.  |
| 5/10/55     | [Neinken Ten Cent, p. 10]                 | Date of issue for 10c stamp per book from U.S. Post Office Department called "A Description of United States Postage Stamps and Postal Cards."  |
| 5/12/55     | [Chronicle #171]                          | EKU for 10c plate 1 (Scott #14).  |
| 9/3/55      |   | EKU for 3c plate 5L.  |
| 10/19/55    | TCC to John Marron                        | Submits eight trial color (plate) proofs of 5 cent stamp.   |
| 10/24/55    | John Marron to TCC                        | PMG is pleased with 5c. Print 6000 sheets of 100; what color do you call this?  |
| 10/25/55    | TCC to John Marron                        | TCC is pleased that PMG likes 5c stamp, color is brown.   |
| 12/5/55     | [Chronicle #171]                          | EKU for 1c plate 2.   |
| 1/1/56      | [Luff, p. 54]                             | Date given by Luff for issue of five cent stamp.  |
| 1/5/56      | [Tiffany, p. 94]                          | Date given by Tiffany for issue of five cent stamp.   |
| 2/9/56      | [Chronicle #171]                          | EKU for 3c plate 7.   |
| 2/18/56     |   | EKU for 3c plate 6.   |
| 3/24/56     |   | EKU for 5c plate 1 (Scott #12).   |
| 4/14/56     |   | EKU for 3c plate 8.   |
| 4/24/56     | TCC to John Marron                        | Enclosed proofs of 24c for approval; proud of lathe work. Contains thank you for letter of 23rd.  |
|             | [Tiffany, p. 95]                          | Date given by Tiffany for approval of twenty four cent stamp. Tiffany says "...withheld from issue in this imperforate condition."  |
| 5/6/56      | [Chronicle #171]                          | EKU for 1c plate 3. Probably was earlier than this is a scarce plate.   |
| 2/6/57      | John Marron to TCC                        | This is the "First Contract" for perforating US stamps; agrees with the letter quoted in Luff: if TCC's contract not renewed TCC will paid \$3000 for machine(s) and \$6500 for 13 new plates (3 plates for 01c; 6 for 03c; 1 for 05c; 1 for 10c; 1 for 12c; 1 for 24c) |
| 2/19/57     | TCC to PM Miller (of Philadelphia)        | Dispute with Judge Waterbury re 2c stamp; PMG needs to authorize it if desired.   |
| 2/24/57     | Nelson Waterbury (Asst. PM NYC) to TCC    | Disputes letter of 2/19/57. Says Marron authorized 2c stamp, with head of John Hancock. This conversation occurred in TCC's Philadelphia office.  |
| 2/26/57     | TCC to Nelson Waterbury (Asst. PM NYC)    | Apologizes for problem, says he has written to PMG to authorize the stamp. Mentions 3 partners are in NYC.  |



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| 2/26/57     | TCC to PMG Campbell   | Asks for directive to print 2c stamp, per Waterbury dispute.  |
| 2/27/57     | Asst. PM (of NYC) Waterbury to John Marron                            | Asks Marron to recorder TCC to print 2c stamp, as TCC has lost it.  |
| 2/28/57     | [Chronicle #171]  | EKU of perforated stamp of any value in USA. This was a 3c stamp (from plate 7, an existing plate) (Scott #25). Three covers known: NYC (2) and Philadelphia (1).   |
| 4/8/57      |   | EKU for 1c plate 4. [There is some question if this plate was made new due to signing First Contract for perforation.]  |
| 4/15/57     |   | EKU for 3c plate 5L (perforated). [This is an existing plate.]  |
|             |   | EKU for 3c plate 8 (perforated). [This is an existing plate.]   |
| 4/30/57     |   | EKU for 3c plate 6 (perforated). [This is an existing plate.]   |
| 5/9/57      |   | EKU for 3c plate 4 (perforated). [This is an existing plate.]   |
| 7/11/57     |   | EKU for 3c plate 10E (Scott #26A). [This is a new plate, post signing of First Contract for perforation.]   |
| 7/16/57     |   | EKU for 3c plate 2L (perforated). [This is an existing plate.]  |
|             |   | EKU for 3c plate 3 (perforated). [This is an existing plate.]   |
| 7/27/57     |   | EKU for 10c plate 1 (perforated) (Scott #32). [This is an existing plate.]  |
| 7/29/57     |   | EKU for 3c plate 11E. [This is a new plate, post signing of First Contract for perforation.]  |
| 7/30/57     |   | EKU for 12c plate 1 (perforated) (Scott #36). [This is an existing plate.]  |
| 8/23/57     |   | EKU for 5c plate 1 (perforated). [This is an existing plate.]   |
| 9/14/57     |   | EKU for 3c plate 9E (Scott #26). [This is a new plate, post signing of First Contract for perforation.]   |
| 9/18/57     |   | EKU for 1c plate 9. [This is a new plate, post signing of First Contract for perforation.]  |
| 10/26/57    |   | EKU for 3c plate 14. [This is a new plate, post signing of First Contract for perforation.] [Plate 13 is rare, and the ECU has not been firmly established.]  |
| 10/28/57    |   | EKU for 3c plate 16. [This is a new plate, post signing of First Contract for perforation.]   |
| 10/30/57    |   | EKU for 3c plate 15. [This is a new plate, post signing of First Contract for perforation.]   |
| 11/17/57    |   | EKU for 1c plate 8. [This is a new plate, post signing of First Contract for perforation.]  |
| 11/19/57    |   | EKU for 3c plate 18. [This is a new plate, post signing of First Contract for perforation.]   |
| 11/26/57    | [New discovery, not previously reported][Add reference when reported] | EKU for 3c plate 19. [This is a new plate, post signing of First Contract for perforation.]   |
| 12/1/57     | [Chronicle #171]  | EKU for 1c plate 7. [This is a new plate, post signing of First Contract for perforation.]  |
| 12/2/57     | [New discovery, not previously reported][Add reference when reported] | EKU for 1c plate 5. [This is a new plate, post signing of First Contract for perforation.] [This plate was probably made earlier as this is a scarce plate. Plate 6 is not known to have been used, thus no ECU.] |
| 3/16/58     | [Chronicle #171]  | EKU for 3c plate 17. [This is a new plate, post signing of perforation contract on 2/6/57.] As this is a scarce plate the date of use was probably earlier.   |
| 4/28/58     | [New discovery, not previously reported][Add reference when reported] | EKU for 3c plate 10I.   |
| 5/1/58      | [Chronicle #171]  | EKU for 3c plate 11I.   |



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| 10/5/58     | [Chronicle #171]  | EKU for 3c plate 20.  |
| 11/24/58    | [New discovery, not previously reported][Add reference when reported] | EKU for 3c plate 12. As this is a scarce plate the date of use was probably earlier. [This is a new plate, post signing of perforation contract on 2/6/57.]   |
| 12/9/58     |   | EKU for 3c plate 11L.   |
| 1/3/59      | [Chronicle #171]  | EKU for 3c plate 10L.   |
| 1/18/59     |   | EKU for 3c plate 21.  |
| 2/11/59     | John Marron Memo  | Memo from Marron recaps: 1c stamp used to prepay printed circulars, drop letters, transient newspapers, other printed matter.<br>Memo from Marron recaps: 3c stamp and envelopes used almost entirely on inland correspondence.<br>Memo from Marron recaps: 12c stamp ....<br>Memo from Marron recaps: 10c stamp ....<br>Memo from Marron recaps: 5c stamp chiefly used to pay inland postage rate on letters to foreign countries. |
| 4/25/59     | [New discovery, not previously reported][Add reference when reported] | EKU for 3c plate 23.  |
| 5/11/59     | [Chronicle #171]  | EKU for 3c plate 22.  |
| 5/27/59     | [EKU reported in Chronicle #171 now deemed erroneous]                 | EKU for 10c plate 2. [An earlier date of 4/29/1859 is known but has been questioned.]   |
| 6/9/59      | [New discovery, not previously reported][Add reference when reported] | EKU for 3c plate 24.  |
| 6/25/59     | [Chronicle #171]  | EKU for 3c plate 25.  |
| 8/11/59     |   | EKU for 3c plate 26.  |
| 9/2/59      |   | EKU for 3c plate 27.  |
| 11/1/59     | [Engraver's Line, p. 225]   | Approximate date that National Bank Note Company incorporated.  |
| 12/3/59     | [New discovery, not previously reported][Add reference when reported] | EKU for 12c plate 3 (Scott #36b). [This is a new plate, post signing of First Contract for perforation. Plate 2 is not known.]  |
| 5/4/60      | [Chronicle #171]  | EKU for 5c plate 2. [This is a new plate, post signing of perforation contract on 2/6/57.]  |
| 5/11/60     |   | EKU for 3c plate 28.  |
| 5/28/60     | PM Browne to AN Zevely  | Has Zevely's letter dated 5/25 saying transient printed matter and letters foreign and domestic must be prepaid; recommends higher values, say 24c; says plate on hand from several years ago; recommends yellow paper.   |
| 5/30/60     | TCC to AN Zevely  | Regarding Zevely's telegram: TCC says can furnish 24c 3 weeks after order; offers 8 colors, but argues against yellow. Says clerks use color more than any other mark on postage stamp.   |
|             | AN Zevely to TCC  | Has received TCC's telegram, Zevely says 3 weeks too long, needs some prior to then.  |
| 6/1/60      |   | No. 4 lilac is shade chosen for 24c.  |
|             |   | Inquires re 30c and recommended colors.   |
|             |   | Asks re 15c and recommended colors.   |
|             | TCC to AN Zevely  | Can have 400,000 24c stamps within 2 weeks of the order to print; has supply of 12c to tie postmasters over if needed.  |



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| 6/1/60      | [See PM Brown (of Philadelphia) to AN Zevely letter of 6/2/60 [National Archives]] | Date that Zevely wrote Postmaster Browne of Philadelphia asking his opinion on need for 15 and 30 cent stamps.  |
| 6/2/60      | PM Brown (of Philadelphia) to AN Zevely [National Archives]                        | PM Browne of Philadelphia responds to Zevely letter that fifteen and thirty cent stamps will be useful especially for German and French rates of postage. Says design must be distinct.   |
| 6/4/60      | TCC to AN Zevely   | Pleased lilac color adopted for twenty four cent value. Specimen sheet enclosed. Printing has commenced, in advance of final hue approval.<br>10-12 weeks needed for new stamp; Suggests use of vignette from Franklin Carrier for 30c.<br>10-12 weeks needed for new stamp; Suggests use of vignette from Eagle Carrier for 15c; Eagle Carrier must be adapted to perfs (made larger). |
| 6/8/60      | AN Zevely to TCC   | Directs 30c to be made as recommended by TCC.<br>Reduces forecast for 24c.<br>Cancels 15c.  |
| 6/9/60      | Bucklin & Crane to PMG Holt [National Archives]                                    | Complaint re inconvenience of having to use small denomination stamps on letters to China, etc. Need 20,30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80 90 cent values Bucklin and Crane. Answered same day by PMG Holt.   |
| 6/10/60     | TCC to AN Zevely   | Enclosed design of 30 cent and asks for approval.   |
| 6/12/60     | AN Zevely to TCC   | Asks for report when 24c can be delivered.<br>Orders 30c as submitted. Asks for report when 30c can be delivered.<br>PMG raises need for 90c for first time. and asks for recommendations.  |
|             | RC Morgan (Secy NY Post Office) to PMG King [National Archives]                    | Morgan writes PMG King re need for large denomination stamps, with newspaper clipping.  |
| 6/13/60     | TCC to AN Zevely   | 390,000 of 24c ready on 15th.<br>Will do as suggested re 30c.<br>TCC provides input on possible design for Ninety cent value. Trumbull portrait proposed.   |
| 6/14/60     | [Chronicle #171]   | EKU for 1c plate 10.  |
| 6/15/60     | [TCC to AN Zevely letter dated 6/13/60]<br>[Tiffany, p. 111]                       | First delivery of twenty four cent value, assuming 6/13/60 letter estimated correctly.<br>Date given by Tiffany for issue of twenty four cent stamp. Tiffany says "...prepared imperforated in 1856, but not regularly issued..."   |
| 6/21/60     | AN Zevely to TCC   | Asks for specimens of all stamps made for circulation or patterns, but not in circulation.  |
| 6/25/60     | TCC to AN Zevely   | Design of Ninety cent progression rapidly. Hope to submit it for examination and approval in a few days.<br>Impression for thirty cent value enclosed. TCC recommends black. Little chance of confusion with twelve cent. "30" added at bottom, not "cents". Plate ready early next week.<br>30c has numerals not words.  |



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| 6/25/60     | TCC to AN Zevely        | TCC tells Zevely that the Franklin and Eagle Carriers were "unnecessary".   |
|             |                         | TCC replies we have no designs for postage stamps other than those formally adopted. Carriers were only two.  |
| 6/26/60     |                         | TCC asks if perhaps Zevely meant essays not specimens of adopted stamps, which TCC will furnish soon.   |
|             |                         | 30c proof enclosed; better than one sent yesterday; perhaps he meant essays not specimens of adopted stamps, which he will furnish soon.                    |
| 6/27/60     | AN Zevely to TCC        | Received 30c specimen; PMG approves, when can they be ready?  |
| 6/28/60     | TCC to AN Zevely        | Transfer of 30c plate has begun; will submit 30c plate proof on 7/2.  |
|             |                         | Essays of four 3c items enclosed.   |
| 7/2/60      |                         | Part proof sheet of 30c enclosed, with 1/2 sheet comparison of 12c for black color decision.  |
| 7/3/60      | AN Zevely to TCC        | Black approved for 30c; canceling is the potential issue  |
| 7/7/60      | [Chronicle #171]        | EKU for 24c plate 1 (Scott #37).  |
| 7/9/60      | TCC to AN Zevely        | 90c die proof enclosed.   |
| 7/11/60     | AN Zevely to TCC        | PMG wants change from words to numbers for 24c.   |
|             |                         | PMG wants to change design of 90c; also change from words to numbers for 90.  |
|             | TCC to AN Zevely        | Printing of 30c halted, pending PMG advice; canceling is an issue; 1/2 sheet enclosed; buff suggested.  |
|             |                         | TCC feels ninety cent in black is acceptable due to limited usage of rate.  |
| 7/12/60     |                         | 24c changes will require new plate, with 4 million on hand they have stopped the presses.   |
|             |                         | Counter argument for 90c design; asks for PMG to reconsider; 90c proof enclosed.  |
| 7/13/60     | AN Zevely to TCC        | Buff okay for 30c, but more lively tint.  |
|             |                         | Stop printing 24c.  |
|             |                         | Black will not due to 90c, how about pink? PMG okay with 90c design submitted but some disagreement re TCC letter.  |
| 7/14/60     | TCC to AN Zevely        | TCC says will endeavor to get more lively tint of buff on thirty cent.  |
|             |                         | Discusses pink for 90c and says plate will be completed and samples submitted.  |
| 7/16/60     |                         | Twenty stamps of thirty cent value submitted in orange buff. Yellow buff not used due to lack of brilliancy and effect. Can be readily effaced (cancelled?) |
| 7/18/60     | AN Zevely to TCC        | Orange buff okay, bowing to TCC expertise; hasten delivery.   |
| 7/30/60     | TCC to AN Zevely        | 280,000 of 30c will be ready for delivery 7/31.   |
|             |                         | Will try to get a good pink for 90c but difficult.  |



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| 8/1/60      | TCC to AN Zevely   | Nine color samples of 90c submitted on proof paper, not India paper. Recommends blue.   |
| 8/2/60      | AN Zevely to PM Dix (of NYC) and seven others                    | Zevely has directed 10,000 30c to Dix (and slightly different amounts for seven other postmasters).<br>90c ready soon.  |
| 8/3/60      | TCC to AN Zevely<br>AN Zevely to TCC                             | Pink sample of 90c submitted.<br>Zevely has regrets re 24c and wants to know cost of numerals not letters.<br>Blue adopted for 90c; when will 90c be ready?   |
| 8/4/60      | TCC to AN Zevely   | New die and plate would be required for 24c; 3 million stamps on hand is biggest expense, but TCC will swallow it.<br>TCC acknowledges blue is color. Will deliver 300,000 of ninety cent on 8/13.  |
| 8/8/60      | [Chronicle #171]   | EKU for 30c plate 1 (Scott #38).  |
| 8/12/60     | [Tiffany, p. 111]  | Date given by Tiffany for issue of thirty cent stamp.   |
| 8/13/60     | TCC to AN Zevely<br>[Tiffany, p. 112]                            | First delivery by of ninety cent value, assuming letter estimate of 8/4/60 was correct.<br>Date given by Tiffany for issue of ninety cent stamp.  |
| 9/11/60     | [Chronicle #171]   | EKU for 90c plate 1 (Scott #39).  |
| 12/1/60     | PMG Report of 1861 (date approximate)                            | Note in PMG report. "The new denominations are twenty-four cents, thirty cents and ninety cents. The two latter have been introduced since July 1st last",  |
| 1/12/61     | [Chronicle #171]   | EKU for 1c plate 11.  |
| 1/21/61     |  | EKU for 1c plate 12.  |
| 2/21/61     | TCC to AN Zevely [Smithsonian]                                   | Toppan Carpenter acknowledges Zevely's request for stamps for Sardinia and asks for a few extra days.   |
| 2/27/61     | Act of 2/27/61<br>TCC to AN Zevely                               | Ten cent rate of postage per each half-ounce to be prepaid on letters conveyed in mail from any point in USA east of Rockies to any state or territory on Pacific coast and vice-versa.<br>Toppan Carpenter tells Zevely eight sheets of proofs and finished stamps ready for forwarding to Sardinian government-Zevely's choice. |
| 5/10/61     | PMG Blair to NBNC.   | PMG Blair accepts bid of National Bank Note Company. Requires that National prepare designs and furnish impressions of denominations, gummed, perforated, with envelopes, boxes, &c.  |
| 5/18/61     | NBN to AN Zevely [York, American Philatelist, July 1961, p. 741] | Letter discussing National Bank Note's progress in designing new stamps: heads for all but the 24 and 30c stamps are in hand; asks about substituting different heads than Franklin and Washington on some values.  |



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| 6/15/61     | NBN to AN Zevely [American Philatelist, July 1961, p. 742]      | Letter discusses progress with new designs: They have changed portraits, busts, and form and design of stamps; engraving will be done by next Wednesday; have in their employ now the best workmen and girls from the establishment of TCC & Co. |
| 7/1/61      | [EPJ #84, p. 158]   | Advertised effective date for new stamp contract with National Bank Note. This was later changed.  |
| 8/1/61      | [American Philatelist, July 1961, p. 742]                       | Tentative official delivery date for National Bank Note issues.  |
| 8/14/61     | [Ashbrook Special Service First Series, p. 19, quote from Ward] | Receipt for dies, rolls and plates from Toppan, Carpenter by U.S. Treasury Mint. Corresponds to close of contract and printing. This receipt lists the number of plates of each value and the number of dies and rolls.                          |
| 8/16/61     | [Luff, page 70]   | Date given by Luff for first delivery by National Bank Note Company  |