

# MINNESOTA NOTES

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The following is from Dr. Jon M. Wilson:

"In trying to identify pattern M-183 (MN/B), which had been found postmarked ST. PAUL, MINN., I was in touch with the Minnesota Bankers Association and learned that there was only one bank in St. Paul in the 1920's with the initials MNB--the Merchants National Bank of that city.

"In the course of this correspondence, I also learned that there were three banks in Minneapolis with the initials MNB during the same period. Since patterns M-181 (M/NB), M-182 (M/NB), M-183.5 (MNB) and M-186 (M(NB)) are unidentified, possibly one or more of these patterns are from one or more of these Minneapolis banks.

"But I need help. Does anyone have a copy of M-181, M-182, M183.5 or M-186 postmarked or precancelled? Eliminating or confirming the use of these patterns by Minnesota users would help in tracking the identifications.

"Please send a card to me at Box 96A, RD #1, Bound Brook, NJ 08805. Many thanks."