

RESPONSE TO MAXA ARTICLE

In a response to Vojtech Maxa's article in the April Bulletin ("What Are Perfins") Dr. L. S. Ettre (#1054) makes the following comments:

"(1) Mr. Maxa, in his article, says that 'it is generally accepted' that PERFIN means perforated initials.

"I don't have at home the large volume of Webster but only the small one. However, according to my recollection, this is included in the large volume as a definition.

"(2) Again to Mr. Maxa's article: according to his opinion, where do the Hungarian three-hole punched stamps belong? There are two types of three-hole punching:

"a) the .°. type used in the early 1920's which went through two lines in a sheet of 100, about which I wrote a couple of years ago a long article for the Perfins Bulletin.

"(b) horizontal three (larger) holes, mainly waste; the only exception is C172 which had the .°. holes for domestic use.

"Neither type or usage belongs to the categories listed by Mr. Maxa under 'official Perfins.'"