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CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Publishing an up-to-date membership list seems to have prompted a number of members into moving house,

Mr J. Prince now lives at

Mr P. Day has moved to

Mr K. Clark is now living at

Mr A. Jorgensen's new address is

AUCTION

Ted Francombe tells us that bids for the auction lots are coming in fairly well but that there is still room for more. If you have not bid yet, you can still do so. Closing date is not until the end of April. The auction list was issued with our Jan/Feb number.

MEMBER'S OFFER

Glen C. Whitehead

who trades in postage stamps sends us the following notice,

"200,000 G.B PERFINS - All are sorted into 25 series A to Z in all cases. Plus commems. and high values to the 1£.

I will trade for Queen Victoria (Not perfinned) for plating and numeral positions - all are wanted - or the precancels of Great Britain and Australia perfins of G.B., or general stock of British Colonials outside of mint which I do not want at this time"

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MEMBERS' LETTERS & COMMENTS

Reference Perfin Abstracts No. 0044, as it is thought that Sloper's archives were destroyed during the war, it may be of interest to record that I have the following in my collection:-

- (1) The stamp "PA" from Plate 90 overprinted 'JT&S' from a block of four submitted by Messrs. Travers & Sons to the P.M.G. 1869. (This is the actual stamp used to illustrate Vallancey's Book, 1st Edition, 1933, on page 5.)
- (2) The part of J. Slopers', own mark used to illustrate Hugh Vallancey's book, page 11.
- (3) The part perforated HB&T on the title page.

No doubt Hugh Vallancey must have obtained these from Messrs. Sloper, and they must have been given to my late father, who, like Vallancey, lived in Brighton. They were great friends and used to meet on Saturday mornings and discuss stamps. My father wrote a good many articles for "Stamp Collecting" in the 1940's.

Archie Beatson.

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I was very surprised to find Mr Burrows' article "Security Endorsements of Sweden" in the Bulletin. Before the use of printed post horns, and after also, the Post Office delivered watermarked paper to control the printer. The watermarks achieved the same object as the post horns. -

Only one perfin is known on this series, C.L./G. Identification is not certain, but the user is probably CARL LASSEN of Goteburg (Gothenburgh). Carl Lassen used perfins in Denmark and at several branch offices in Germany. Another guess is CARL LARSSON.



The perfin is known from 1887 to 1897, the only Swedish perfin before 1907 on postage stamps. I know it on the post horn series 4, 5, 10 & 20 ore stamps, also on Oscar II watermark crown 5 & 10 ore.

This perfin is mentioned and illustrated several times in perfin articles written by me or other people. I believe that they are all in the S.E.P.S. Library, I have sent copies of them.

Leif Bergman.

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It was very interesting to see the latest list of members of the Society. By coincidence I have just come across the first ever list which came out with Bulletin No. 1 in July/August 1957. We then had 28 members of whom only 10 appear in the latest list. INVENTION (Query Nov/Dec Bulletin) No evidence at all has been forthcoming - all I can say is that there are several others who share my doubts that this die was ever used by THE Patent Office.

WLWR (Query Nov/Dec Bulletin) Three members wrote saying that they had an example of this die. (Mary Thornton, Keith Rymer Young and Michael Burrows) All had post marks of places on the line of the Waterford, Limerick & Western Railway, which for me is enough evidence to confirm the identity.

John Nelson.

PERFINS COME TO WALES

By Ralph. E. Wornum

During the past year I have been doing some research under this heading and have shown a Nine Sheet Display to both the Port Talbot and the Swansea Philatelic Societies. That was the foundation of these notes.

Early security measures to "defeat petty pilfering" of stamps, included underprinting on the back of stamps - under the gum- and users included:

1. Copestake, Moore Crampton & Co., Ltd (1867)
2. The Oxford Union Society (1869) who issued free stamps to its members.

It was not long before the same purpose gave rise to experiments by a Mr Sloper, who developed a system of perforating designs and letters on stamps, now generally known as 'Perfins', which even today are used all over the world.

Examples are to be found from all over Wales, one of the earliest being :- 435.2 GWR (with two different offset settings)  
Great Western Railway. Llanelly 1869

Nationalisation brought the Railway Executive, Western Region 166 RE/WR and the Docks & Inland Waterways Executive 251.1 D&I/WE to Wales.

Many Welsh local authorities also use Perfins,

554.2 AU/DC	=	Aberdare Urban District Council
111.1 CC	=	Cardiff City
111.3 BC	=	Barry
111.3 BC	=	Bangor Council

CC (111.1) is used by at least 6 bodies, and here a Cardiff postmark or a Welsh Regional stamp makes identification well nigh 100% certain.

Swansea Corporation used two elaborate settings on K.G.V, and K.G.VI. i.e. S'SEA/Cpn (Cat. No's 660.1 & 660.2) but now they are one of 7 bodies who use SC (121.1)

At least one Educational Body - University College, Cardiff uses perfins, UC/C (40)

NC (51.2) with a Gwent postmark suggests Newport Corporation.

With the re-organisation of local government in Wales in 1973, some Perfin using authorities disappeared and others were created.

Aberdare UDC became Cynon Valley District Council = CV/DC

Barry DC became Vale of Glamorgan Borough Council = VG/BC

(I have an example of this with a Porthcawl postmark)

I am fortunate in having numerous different stamps from Bridgend Paper Mill (all with the same BP/M (582.1) setting) including some still on cover with the sender's name. This is an excellent example of establishing the identity of the Perfin.

Nationwide organisations have branches in Wales, and I have Welsh postmarks as evidence of the following bodies:

560.1 LU/&R	=	Law Union & Rock Insurance Co. Ltd
196.2 JD	=	John Dickinson & Co. Ltd

792	CU/GA	= Commercial Union Assurance Group
206.1	DG	= Drake & Gorham Ltd. (later Drake & Scull Ltd)
680.2	C&S	= George Cohen Machinery Ltd. (and other members of the 600 Group)
6	OA/BG	= Ocean Accident Guarantee Corporation and British General Insurance Company Ltd.
12.1	PAC	= Prudential Assurance Company Limited.
308.2	NS/PCC	= National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. (Cardiff postmark)
851.2	CWS	= Cooperative Wholesale Society Limited.
410	HJ/R	= Ryman Group (Cardiff postmark)
3.1	AA	= Automobile Association
125.5	H&C	= Hessler & Company, Hull. (Newport, Mon. p/mk)
	NV	= National & Vulcan Engineering Insurance Group (Bridgend postmark).

The Solicitors Law Stationery Society use the intriguing OYEZ (216.1) and Cardiff and Pontypool postmarks show their link with Wales.

From our catalogue I have identified the following in my collection:-

269	P.J/N.T	= Pryce, Jones Ltd. Newtown, Montgomery (QV 1d)
261	PJ	= Ditto (K.E.VII & K.G.V.)
485	S/&McD	= Stewart & MacDonalds Ltd. (Swansea and Merthyr postmarks)
343	W.H.	= William Harris, Merthyr Tydfil.
516.2	WM	= Western Mail Ltd. Cardiff.
11	129	= Uskside Engineering Company Ltd. Newport, Mon.

Once upon a time, there was a firm, Stubbs Limited, Waterloo Street, Swansea who appear to have had representatives all over the Country, for I have examples dated 1906 (Perfin S.S) from Aberystwyth, Haverfordwest, Llanelly (as it was then), Swansea, Merthyr Tydfil, Neath, Tonypany, Pontypridd, Porthcawl and Cardiff.

I am rather mystified as to the nature of their business, for I have many of their stamps with English postmarks. Additionally, my perfins also establish that Stubbs received correspondence from,

	K	= Kodak Limited ? Worcester
46.3	SB	= Somervill Brothers Limited. Kendal.
	FISON	= Fison Limited. Ipswich.

When perfins are used in the Post Town of origin, you can rely on the postmark to support identity, but if someone works in Cardiff and lives in, say Pontypridd, they could provide confusion by posting en route.

Why does the Railway Executive, Western Region stamp have a Renfrew postmark for example?

Other perfins I have with Welsh postmarks which have yet to be identified with their senders are:

FH/&Co	postmarked	D57 Bute Docks
RD/Co/Ld	"	Cardiff.
PD/AC	"	Aberdare
R&Co/C	"	D57 Bute Docks
FR&Co/C	"	" "
JC/&S	"	" "
MB/&Co	"	" "
LL/Ltd	"	" "
C.A/C or C.A/G	"	.... lly (Central Agency, Glasgow?)
RNB/WD	"	Llandrindod Wells (April 1975)

So much for the perfins that I have in my collection, now let us look at the other 'Welsh' perfins I am still watching out for,

217	BD/∆R	= Barry Docks & Railway Company ,
497	BM/R	= Brecon & Merthyr Railway
548	BOVEY	= John Bovey & Company, Ltd., Cardiff.
611.1	B.R	= Barry Railway
715.1	BT/D	= British Transport Dock Board
25.1/.2	CAM/RYS	= Cambrian Railways
58	C/BC	= Conwy Borough Council
510	C.M.S/Ltd..	= Crossville Motor Services, Chester
97	D∆C/RB	= Dee & Clwyd River Board
97A	D∆C/RA	= Dee & Clwyd River Authority
289	D.L.O	= David Owen, Cardiff.
376.1	ER	= Evans & Reid Coal Company Ltd., Cardiff.
29	F/BC	= Flint Borough Council
62	F+C	= Frazer & Company (Cardiff) Ltd.
	H∆S	= ? (seen with Porthcawl postmark)
498	JL/Ld	= John Lysaght Limited, Newport, Mon.
863	JW∆S/C	= John Williams & Sons, Cardiff
51.2	NC	= Newport (Mon) Corporation. (Gwent postmark recently acquired)
212	N./M.G./Co.	= Newport Monmouthshire Gas Company
458	RS/BR	= Rhondda & Swansea Bay Railway Company
1.28	S	= John Summers & Sons Ltd, Shotton, Flintshire
66	T.B/∆Co.	= T. Beynon & Company, Cardiff.
482	TV/R	= Taff Vale Railway Company, Glamorgan.
	PT/DR	= Port Talbot Docks & Railway
	CORY	= Cory Companies of Cardiff & London 5 dies ,
9	A Shield design	used some years ago by Cardiff City. (Corporation not Football Club'')

Sorry if this looks rather like a Catalogue of Welsh Perfins (which it is really), but if you are looking for a new theme within the field of Welsh Philately, I am sure that you will find plenty of interest in this tiny corner of the Perfin World.

Ralph. E. Wornum.

THOMAS COOK

By Mike Burrows

Born at Melbourne, Derbyshire on 22nd November 1808, Thomas Cook took his first step towards a world-wide travel organisation when, at the age of 33, he chartered a special train to take 570 people from Leicester to attend a temperance meeting at Loughborough. The charge for the round trip of 24 miles was 1/-, and taking place on 5th July 1841 it was the first privately organised public railway excursion. From this modest beginning Cook's travel agency grew until in 1851, no less than 165,000 visitors to the Great Exhibition had availed themselves of the advantages offered by Thomas Cook.

The Paris Exhibition in 1855 saw Thomas Cook turning his attention to the Continent, organising circular tours which were to develop into the coupon system, eventually to become the well known "International Travel Tickets".

Headquarters were transferred from Leicester to 98, Fleet Street London, in 1865, when John Mason Cook, the son, was placed in charge,

At the height of the Franco-Prussian war in 1870, Thomas Cook was assisting in the relief of the starving Parisians. In the same year John was appointed by the Khedive as Agent of the Egyptian Government for passenger traffic on the Nile. During the Expedition in 1884, for the relief of General Gordon, at Khartoum, Cooks transported over 18,000 troops and 130,000 tons of war materials and supplies up the Nile.

A central office was established in Ludgate Circus, London in 1872, and six years later Thomas Cook decided to retire. He lived in retirement until 1878 when he died at the age of 84. By 1897 offices were to be found in Birmingham, Bradford, Brighton, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Leeds, Liverpool, Manchester, Sheffield, Belfast and Dublin. John died in 1899 and his sons ran the business until 1924.

On 12th June 1924 a private limited company was formed, Thomas Cook & Son Ltd., to take over most of the old concern's various interests. At the same time, the banking aspect was to be looked after by a separate limited company, Thomas Cook & Son (Bankers) Ltd. F.H. Cook, a grandson of the founder, was appointed Chairman of both Companies. A position he held until his retirement in 1929.

The location of the central office changed in 1925 to Berkley Street, the completed offices opening on 12th April 1926. World-wide expansion had seen the need for offices to be opened in the following countries,

India	:	Bombay, Calcutta, Delhi (Banking)
Burma	:	Rangoon
Canada	:	Montreal
Ceylon	:	Colombo (Banking)
Straits	:	Singapore (Agents & Banking)
Hong Kong	:	Victoria
S. Africa	:	Cape Town, Durban, Johannesburg.
France	:	Paris
Egypt	:	Alexandria, Cairo, Port Said.

And many of these offices used perfins.

NEW IDENTITIES RECEIVED.From Mr A. Mackie.

136.2	E&E/Ld	10,13,10/7,6	4½ (IIIa)	Ellis & Everard Ltd, Market Yarborough.
278	G.J.E	11,7,10	5½	G.J.Evansons Coal & Coke Ltd. Birmingham.
23A	SA/HA	9,8/10.8	4½	Sandwell Area Health Authority.
19A	BA/HA	11,8/1018	4½	Birmingham Area Health Authority.
257.3	JE/&/S	7,10/14/10	4(I)	Joseph Ellis & Sons, Leicester.
489.6	L&S	7,14,10	4½(III)	Leathwait & Simmons, London.
105A	R/&Co.	12/13,8,6	5½(IIIa)	Robinson & Co. Windsor St Wharf, Birmingham
297.2	BG/C	11,9/7	4½	British Gas Corporation
35.3	R&B	13,12,15	5(IIIa)	Reynolds & Branson Ltd Leeds.

From Mr B.C. Tomkins.

113	RC/&S	12,8/16,10	5 (II)	Ø Richard Clay & Son, (Chaucer Press) Bungay, Sfk.
318.2	AJC/LD	10,7,10/7,11	6	Ø A. J.Caley & Co Ltd, Norwich.

From Dr R. Powell.

243A	BEEBY	12,10,10,12,7	4	Alexander Beeby & Sons, Peterborough.
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From Mr McKee

196	A.E.B.	10,10,13	5½	Ayrshire Electricity Board. Kilmarnock.
538	A.T/&Co.	10,7/13,8,6	5½(III)	Archibald Turner & Co Ltd. Leicester.
232.2	B.F.	13,10	5½	3. The British Electric Traction Co Ltd. London.
90.2	G.C.D/&Co.	10,8,11/12,8,8	4½ IIIa	G.C.Dobell & Co, Liverpool.
375.3	JB/M	7,12/15	6,6½/6½	John Heywood Ltd, Manchester.
693A	J.S.C/Ld	7,10,8/7,8	4½	Schweppes Ltd. London.
16.1	OB	10,13	5½	Ottomann Bank. London.
243.2,	SE/CR	10,10/8,12	4½	2. Southeastern Railway, London.

O Identities

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1.2	O	8 _	4½	1. Ormskirk U.D.C. Lancs 2. A. Oppenheimer & Co London E.C.2 3. Oldbury Corpn: Bir- mingham. 4. Ostwald Marsh, Norwood London. 5. Imperial Tobacco Co, (Ogden Branch) Liverpool.
2	O co (co inside O)	18/7,4	13½/5	Oetzmann & Co Ltd, London N.W.1
6	OA/BC	8,8/11,9_	4½	Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corpn: British General Ins: Co Ltd.
8.1	OA/GC	8,8/9,7	4½	Ocean Accident & Guarantee Corpn Ltd.
8.2	OA/GC	10,10/10,8	4½	do. do. do.
8.3	OA/GC	10,10/10,8	5	do. do. do.
9	O.A./G.C.	10,10/10,8	5½	do. do. do.
26.2	OB/T	8,11/6	4½	O'Brien Thomas Ltd, London.
36.2	OC	12,9	6½	Oxford City.
38	O.C	10,9	5	Oldham. Corporation.
47	OCM	8,7,11	4½	Ø Oriental Carpet Manufacturers Ltd.
76	O&G	10,14,10	5(III)	Oscar Moenich & Co, London.
82	O/H	8/10	4½	William O'Hanlon & Co Ltd. Manchester
84.1	OH/BR	8,10/11,10	4½	Shropshire Orthopaedic Hospital. Oswestry
86.1	OHG	8,10,9	4½	Giddy & Giddy. Windsor
87	O&H/L	10,12,12,/7	4½(IIIa)	Ordish & Hall Ltd, Burton on Trent.
102	O.L	10,7	5	Otto Lechlan, London
116	OM	8,11	4½	Murray & Company Ltd, London E.C.3
118.2	O&M	10,14,15	4½(III)	Osborn & Mercer, London W. 1
120.2	OM/Co	10,15/8,4	5	1 Oetztes & Gerritsen, London. 2 Oscar Moeniach & Co Ltd London E.C.
136	O'N/&S	10,13,13/14,10	5½(I)	Ø O'Neill & Sons Ltd, Castleton, Rochdale.
137	ONT/GOV	8,10,6,/9,8,7	4½	Ontario Govt Office, London.
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IC5/O1

145	O.O/L	10,10/7	4½	Owen & Owen Ltd, Liverpool
146	O.O./L	10,10/7	5½	do. do.
151	OP	8,8	4½	1. Odhams Press Ltd. London. 2. Oxford University Press
154.2	OP/L	8,8/6	4½	A. Oppenheimer & Co., London E.C.2
172	OS/CL	8,9/7,6	4½	Ormos Shipping Co Ltd, London W.1
174.2	OS/&Co	8,9/12,7,4	4½(Ia)	Oppenheimer Sons & Co Ltd.,
174.4	OS/&Co	10,10/14,8,4,	5(III)	Ø Osborne Stevens & Co Uxbridge
191.1	OU/DC	8,8/9,7	4½	Orpington Urban District Council. Kent.
191.2	OU/DC	10,10/11,8	5	1. Ormskirk Urban District Council. 2. Oldbury Urban District Council.
203.1	O/W	8/11	4½	The Oil Well Engineer- ing Co Ltd. Stockport
216.1	OYEZ	8,6,9,8	4½	The Solicitors' Law Stationery Society Ltd
216.2	OYEZ	10,8,10,9	4½	do. do. do.
216.3	OYEZ	10,8,10,9	5	do. do. do.
Note:- Three dies of No 216.2 are reported with overall lengths of 15mm 16½mm and 17mm.				
217	O/Y/E/Z	8/6/9/8	3½	do. do. do.
221	OZO	10,9,10	4½	Ozokerit Candles, Lambeth S.E.

Q Identities

1.3	Q	12	7	1. Quick Reek & Smith Ltd Londor E.C.3
7	Q/AB	11/10,14	5½	2. Queen's College, Oxford. Queen Anne's Bounty, London S.W.1
8.2	QAL	10,8,6	4½	Ø Queen Alexandra League of Service
9	QA/L	10,8/6	4½	do. do. do.
26.1	QHC	12,12,8	4	Queens Hospital for Children.
26.3	QHC	12,12,8	5	do. do. do.
28	Q/HC	10/10,7	4½	do. do. do.
31.1	QI	10,4	4½	Queensland Insurance Co Ltd, London EC3
31.2	QI	12,5	7	do. do. do.
44	QO/CoLd	10,4/7,4,6,6	4½	Bankers & Traders Insurance Co Ltd, London E.C.3

- 0055 P.S. What'n blazes is a "Perfin"  
Parks C. H.  
Perfins Bulletin, Feb. 1975, 28, (2), 5  
Reprinted from Linn's Weekly Stamp News, July 29, 1968  
An amusing Story of the confusion which ensued when  
the author placed a wants add for perfins in a non-philatelic  
magazine.
- 0056 Mounting Perfins  
Card H. \_  
Perfins, May 1946, 2, (1), 2  
First the perfins are arranged alphabetically, then  
each letter is divided into four groups according to Metz's  
plan and then the design is pencil pricked on small loose  
leaf pages. The dots are inked and the name and address  
of the user, also his business if known, are put on the  
right. The stamps are then mounted face down on black loose  
leaf pages, stamps on the left and identification on the  
right. Only one type is mounted on a page. (complete)
- 0057 Checklist, State of Illinois Perfins  
Warnock T. B.  
Perfins Bulletin, Feb. 1975, 28, (2), 7  
The State of Illinois uses two perfins, one consisting  
of the capital letter I(I O.S) and the other of the same  
letter within a map of the State. A list of all the stamps  
on which these perfins have been found is given.
- 0058 My Way of Mounting Perfins  
Regnier C. H.  
Perfins , July 1946, 2, (2), 1 - 2  
A very detailed account of the authors method of  
mounting perfins.
- 0059 Remarks Re Revenues  
Brandt J.  
Perfins Bulletin, Feb, 1975, 28, (2), 9  
Glenn Estus enquired whether there was any relationship  
between perfins on revenues and the Cain rating of perfins on  
postage stamps. (Perfins Bulletin, Jan. 1975, 28, (1), 8).  
The author answers this query and explains why revenue perfins  
cannot be priced according to Cain.
- 0060 Why I Collect Perfins  
Hull F. H.  
Perfins, July 1946. 2, (2), 2  
A brief article about how the author came to collect  
perfins.
- 0061 What is the Earliest - Dated U.S. Perfin Cover  
(Crow R. B.)  
Perfins Bulletin, Feb. 1975, 28, (2) 10.  
Perfins were authorised for use in 1908. The  
earliest item in Crow's perfin collection is a Ford Motor  
Company cover dated October 30, 1908. The Ford perfin  
is on the 2 cent Washington, Scott 319. The cover  
contains an invoice for a crank case door screw, 5 cents and  
a trans fibre band, 25 cents. (Complete)

0062 How I Collect Perfins

Misegades K.

Perfins, Sept. 1946, 2, (3), 1

A brief but detailed article on how the author sorts and stores his perfins and perfin covers.

0063 Postmark Identifies Perfin

Kloss K. & Kloss B.

SEPS Bulletin, May/June 1975, (157), 2

Normally, a cover with a return address is required to identify a perfin user. However, the authors show how a little detective work can sometimes pay off. The perfin LT on an Italian stamp used on a picture post card was identified as belonging to "Lloyd Triestino", an Italian Shipping line, as it was cancelled by the postmark of one of the line's ships.

0064 Collecting Perfins

Pomeroy C. S.

Perfins, Sept. 1946, 2, (3), 2

The author gives a detailed account of his method of mounting perfins.

0065 How S/Crown/O Became HM/SO

Nelson J.

1PP., SEPS, 1975

Up to 1949, the Stationery Office had used stamps perforated with a crown between the letters S and O. As a result of a letter from Ethiopia, this was brought to the attention of the GPO, who, upon checking, found that the use of a crown was not in accordance with Post office regulations. Following a request from the GPO that they should use initials only, the Stationery office changed to the familiar HM/SO.

0066 Catalog of United States Perfins

Lougee K. F.

Perfins Club, 1966.

Every known U.S. perfin is listed in the 400 plus pages of this catalogue, most of them being illustrated and identified.., Apart from basic perfins, those with code holes to differentiate between different branches are also illustrated.

0067 Perfin Chat

Travell W.

Perfins, Oct. 1946, 2, (4), 2

Collections of perfins can be divided into 3 types, (1) postage stamps perforated to..prevent theft, (2) Revenues perforated to cancel them (3) Stamps punched by postal authorities for diverse reasons. (i.e. OS) The varieties of perfins are absolutely legion, inverts, reverses etc. so that any attempt to collect them in all these forms is doomed to failure and a one of each issue collection is recommended.

## 0068 Perfins Used by Local Government Offices

Bowman R,  
SEPS, 1963-1971, pp 96.

This book attempts to record all the known information about perfins used by local government offices. 256 councils are listed alphabetically with a few brief general notes about each one. All perfins known to have been used by the councils are listed together with their period of use and supplier where known.

## 0069 SPIFS

Travell W.  
Perfins, Dec. 1946, 2, (5),

In England at that time perfins were called SPIFS derived from "Stamps Perforated for Insurance against Fraud." Although it may be more accurate than PERFINS (from "PERforated INitials") it doesn't have the same ring. In fact Travell suggests that more accurate still would be "Stamps Perforated for Insurance against Theft" and only a slight change would have to be made in the current abbreviation. SPITS? (Complete)

## 0070 Birkbeck Bank

Eades E.  
SEPS Bulletin, Jan./Feb. 1975, (155), 2.

The perfin BIRK/BECK has been positively ascribed to the BIRKBECK BANK of Chancery Lane, London. This bank stemmed from the Building Society of the same name and the author wonders if the Building Society also used this perfin. The Bank suffered a liquidity problem in 1914 and went bankrupt being taken over by the London County and Westminster Bank.

## 0071 Simplified Catalogue of the Perfins of Great Britain

SEPS, 1965-1971, p 101

This book lists all recorded British perfins in simplified form by neglecting all differences and giving only the letters of the perfin. Although numerals are included, symbols are only included when found in conjunction with a letter or letters.

## 0072 Seeking Information

Thornton M. E.  
SEPS., Feb., 1967, ppl

A case study on how the author went about obtaining further information regarding Cape of Good Hope official perin.

## 0073 Perfins of Hungary

Maxa V., Malyon D. & Grof L.  
Magyar Philatelic Society of Great Britain, 1974, pp50

This was originally a working draft produced by Vogtech Maxa and never really intended to be published. So, although it contains illustrations of 324 different perfins, only one is identified,

0074 Security-Endorsements of Sweden.

Burrows M. J. \_  
SEPS., 1976, pp1.

Prior to 1885, all Swedish stamps were printed on hand-made paper. Pehr Bagge, the printer who held the contract to produce all Swedish stamps complained about the quality of this paper and received permission to use machine made paper as a trial. Since this machine made paper was not produced by the National Bank but would have to be purchased overseas, it was overprinted, as a security measure, with a posthorn design such that each stamp has a blue posthorn on its reverse.

0075 How I Started

Bein C.  
Perfins, Feb. 1947, 2, (6), 1-2

A short article on how the author started to collect British perfins. In 4 years, he amassed a collection of 28,000 perfins on 6000 album pages with about 6,700 different dies with over 725 of these on 1d reds.

0076 How I Mount My Perfins

Bein C.  
Perfins, Feb. 1947, 2, (6), 2

Since the authors perfin collecting began during the war, albums and leaves were difficult to obtain. For this reason, he used home-made albums, having one for each letter of the alphabet, except Q, X, Y and Z, and one for special perfins such as designs and numbers. A separate page is used for each design with the various issues mounted in chronological order.

0077 Perfins of U.S. Companies Abroad

Prins J.  
Perfins Bulletin, Nov.-Dec. 1975, 28, (10), 3-4

Many U.S. Companies with branches overseas have used perfins. This article traces the overseas perfins of the United Shoe Machinery Co., Armour & Co., Swift & Co. and International Harvester Co. A few background notes on each company is followed by illustrations of the "perfins used by each overseas branch.

0078 Mounting for Fun

Stump D. C.  
Perfins Bulletin, Nov.-Dec. 1975, 28, (10), 5-6

This article is a commonsense approach to mounting perfins for exhibition. A more appropriate title might have been "How to begin exhibiting perfins" and as such should be read by all those who tremble at the very thought of exhibiting. The author has included numerous suggestions for eye-catching themes which would interest even non-perfin collectors.

0079 Graf Zeppelin Cover

(Kloss B.)  
Perfins Bulletin, Nov.-Dec. 1975, 28, (10), 10.

A cover from the first U.S. - Germany flight of the Graf Zeppelin (LZ-127) is illustrated. The cover is franked with stamps bearing the K & M (K72) perfin of Keasby & Mattison Co.

- 0080 Using the Adachi Japanese Perfins Catalog  
Fisher G. A., Jr.  
Perfins Bulletin, Nov.,-Dec. 1975, 28, (10), 11  
A translation of the index to Adachi's Catalogue  
of Japanese perfins, to which the author appears to have added  
a few notes to facilitate our understanding of the terminology used.
- 0081 Perfins on the U.S. Offset Printing Issue  
Bennett D.  
Perfins Bulletin, May 1975, 28, (5), 3; July - Aug.  
1975, 28, (7), 3; Nov. - Dec. 1975, 28, (10), 13  
The author collects only perfins on the U.S. Offset  
printed issue of 1918-1920. Excluding the imperforate and  
experimental perforated stamps, on which no perfins have yet  
been found, the basic issue consists of 8 stamps:- 1c,  
Scott 525 (S.G. 530) 20, Scott 526 - 528 B(S.G. 531-535)  
and 3c, Scott 529-530 (S,G. 536-537). All the perfins  
found on these stamps are listed according to Perfins Club  
catalogue number and Pattern. A rarity factor is included  
for each pattern.
- 0082 Lloyd Triestino Perfin Cover from Egypt  
Brandt J.  
Perfins Bulletin, Nov. - Dec. 1975, 28, (10), 14  
The ship on which the author's cover was carried was  
the "PFO Pilsna". Philip Cockrill, in his book "Ocean  
Mails" indicated that PFO stood for "steamship" and was  
sometimes abbreviated "Pirosc", and on newer cancels is  
"motonave" for motor-driven ships. The Ship "Helovan"  
is mentioned by Cockrill but not "Pilsna". However, his  
listing does not claim to be comprehensive. (Complete)
- 0083 Croatian Perfin.  
Stich T.  
Perfins Bulletin, Nov. - Dec. 19'75, 28, (10), 14  
The H.P.S. perfin on Croatian stamps has been  
identified as "Hrvatska Postanska Sluzba" which is the  
"Croatian Postal Service." (Complete)
- 0084 Issues from the Province of Eastern Turkestan  
Mimic H.  
Collectors Club Philatelist, 1929, 150-152  
(Translated from Kohl's Handbook)  
Eastern Turkestan - also known as Sinkiang Province  
used Chinese stamps overprinted with five Chinese characters,  
meaning "Limited for use in the Province of Sinkiang."  
This expedient was necessary due to the value of the currency  
in the Province being different from the rest of the Country.  
Many of these overprinted issues are found perforated with  
four Chinese characters "For Service Use."
- 0085 Who Knows the Answer? - GWR in Ireland  
SEPS, Sept./Oct. 1975, (159), 4  
SEPS, Nov./Dec. 1975, (160), 2  
The GWR perfin (Die III) has been found on S.G. 71,  
72 & 74 of Ireland. In 1922, the GWR had a Traffic Manager  
in Dublin and also, undoubtedly, offices at Rosslaire in  
connection with their Fishguard-Rosslaire steamer service.