
C194.5 Used by Yorktown Heights Branch Office

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Figure 1 illustrates a #10 cover with a corner card from a branch of Chase Manhattan Bank in Yorktown Heights, New York. A 5¢ George Washington stamp punched CMB was used for postage. Unfortunately the perfin, in addition to being upside down, extends into the stamp's

perforations on the stamps right. While it is somewhat difficult to make out the holes by use of a magnifying glass it is possible to count the ten holes of the letter "B" and that identifies the punch as pattern C 194.51.

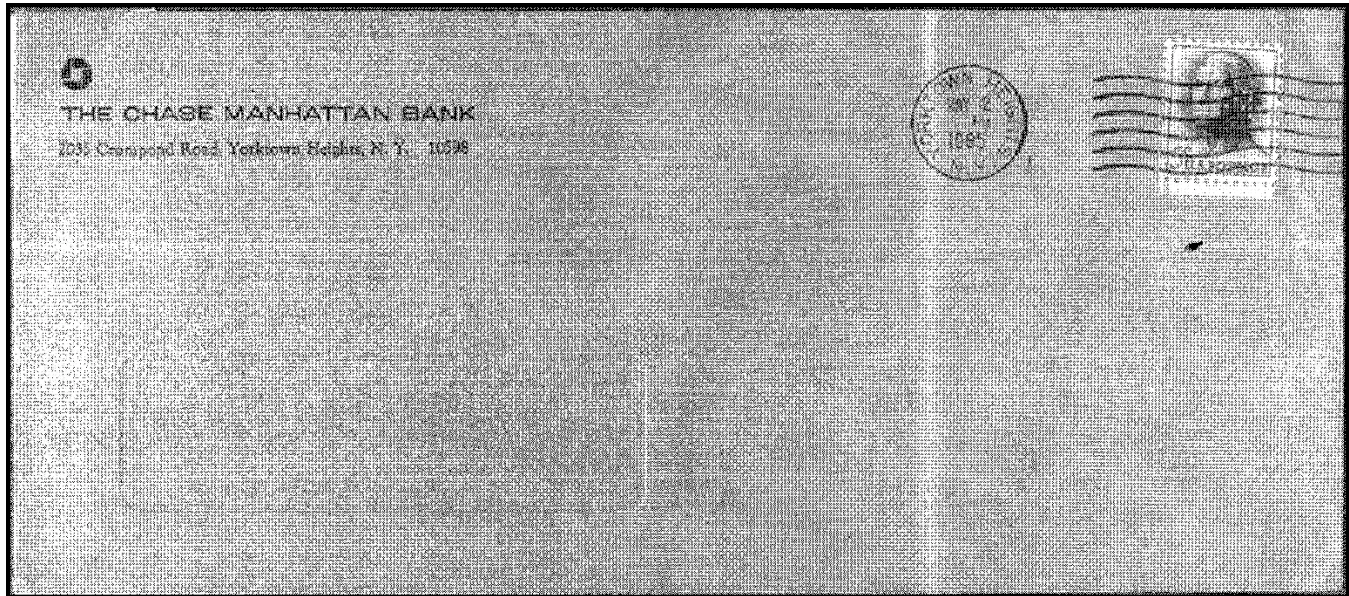


Figure 1. Chase Manhattan Bank Cover with Perfin.

The Catalog of United States Perfins lists this pattern on page C-20-21 and the address is given as New York, NY. A letter "Y" in the listing indicates that minor variations exist in the pattern resulting from a multi-headed die. However, the entry for this pattern does not show an "X" indicating that additional information is provided in an appendix.

What does this mean? Simply that one of the New York City offices probably provided perfins to nearby branches. It is about 50 miles from Manhattan to Yorktown Heights. We should add the Yorktown Heights location to pattern C195.4 in the appendix on page C-53 of the catalog.