e-Bay Yields Information for U.S. Perfin Catalog

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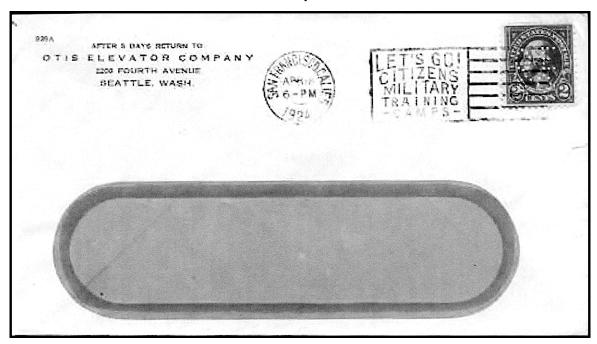
No, E-bay is not devoid of anything worthwhile! I have heard this comment on several occasions with the retort "that items are overpriced", "lots are full of worthless material", "it takes too much time to search for items", "you can't see what perfins are being shown", "shipping costs are too high" and, well, you get the drift.

Collectors must justify the time and the money they spend and, depending on your interests, e-Bay may or may not have much to offer. I believe that it has value, but that you have to know how to find interesting material. Should anyone like to have an article on e-bay use, I encourage requests for such an article as well as helpful hints that any members might have with respect to an article on e-bay use.

Please jot a note to me at 10 Clarridge Circle Milford, MA 01757 or e-mail me at perfinman@comcast.net.

Here is a copy of one e-bay lot that I saw but did not choose to bid on as I noted another club member who probably had a better reason than I did to place a bid. I hope that he was successful.

The perfin on this cover, O-27 (C+ rated) has been identified in the US Perfin Catalog as "Our Lady of Victory Infant Home in Lackawana, NY". This identification was noted by editor John Randall as leaving something to be desired; the OE/Co initials were not a very close match (to teh logical OLVCH).!



Compliments of e-Bay we now have a cover that seems much better suited to a correct identification of the user - Otis Elevator Company in Seattle, WA. The cover cancel is from San Francisco, CA so there may have been another Otis Elevator Company location in that city using the same perfin pattern.

Check your copies of this stamp and see if you have any Seattle or San Francisco cancels and please let our *Bulletin* Editor know!

Thank you E-bay for this useful information for our next A&C pages!