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EDITORIAL

ALL RIGHT, TROOPS, LISTEN UP! Your dues are due (\$25.00 in USA and Canada and \$30.00 over seas). We understand that these are hard times for everyone or almost everyone. We realize that the Poster Stamp Bulletin may not be the driving force in your life. But being the editor of this publication has kept us off the streets at night for a number of years and for this we are grateful. Being your editor has been a joy and we have sincerely tried to make it a joy in your life. So, this is our story; this is our song. Send in your dues now or forever "So long".

FROM JOY TO TRAGEDY

The most popular items offered in the November auction were the Hugo Haase vignettes depicting fun at an amusement park. The last issue in this set of 10, however, was not shown and it did not portray a happy scene where people were having any fun. This issue was illustrating an actual event that occurred in Johnstown, Pennsylvania. After the Johnstown flood that wiped out the town when the dam gave way killing 2209 people on May 31, 1889, there was also a little known fire that received little attention. However, an account of this disaster did appear in the New York Times on June 25, 1889.



Why this vignette was introduced into this particular "having fun" set is a complete mystery to us.

FLAMES IN JOHNSTOWN.

FIRE ADDING TO THE DESTRUCTION BY THE FLOOD.

JOHNSTOWN, Penn., June 24.—A sweeping fire broke out in the First Ward at 12:30 o'clock this afternoon. The flames spread rapidly, and at 1 o'clock twenty houses were burning. The fire consumed all but three of the buildings in the district bounded by Market and Walnut streets, and by Main-street and the river. Twenty-five houses were totally destroyed, including the large brick schoolhouse. Many of the buildings destroyed had been washed from their foundations, though many of them contained household goods which had been saved from the flood. But a small amount of these goods was saved. The fire is supposed to have originated from sparks flying from the burning débris in the neighborhood. The Philadelphia fire companies here on duty fought the flames, which for a time got beyond their control, and were only subdued by tearing down houses in their path. The loss has not yet been fixed.

Notwithstanding that the force of workmen employed in the ruins here was reduced nearly one-half to-day, a remarkable showing was made in the way of clearing up the wreckage. One heavy blast followed another in the débris above the railroad bridge, and Manager Phillips, who has charge of the work, says he will

have the place cleared up by Thursday.

The various workingmen's camps were thoroughly renovated to-day. In accordance with the request of Surgeon-General Reed all the superfluous straw and garbage about the camps were burned. The workmen who will remain here were removed into the choicest quarters, and early to-morrow morning the tents now occupied by the discharged men will be taken down by a squad of soldiers.

This afternoon between 2 and 3 o'clock a charge of dynamite exploded near the second arch from the east end of the bridge. From the great body of wreckage tossed in the air pieces of human bodies flew in all directions, and the remnants afterward gathered together indicated that at least six bodies had been blown up. They were doubtless all close together near where the dynamite was discharged. Much of the drift which has been dislodged from the stone bridge has lodged in various places, extending as far below as Coopersdale. In some places the channel of the Conemaugh River is narrowed to a few feet and turned from its path. A force of men was put to work this morning removing these obstructions, which have rendered useless a great part of the work at the bridge. It is thought that the stream below the big drift will hereafter be kept open so that débris once started down the river will pass down without interruption.

THE TIMES has received from Mrs. Charles Lefler \$10 for the Johnstown fund.

The Brooklyn Johnstown Relief Committee sent \$25,000 more to Gov. Beaver yesterday. The fund now amounts to \$92,128 12.

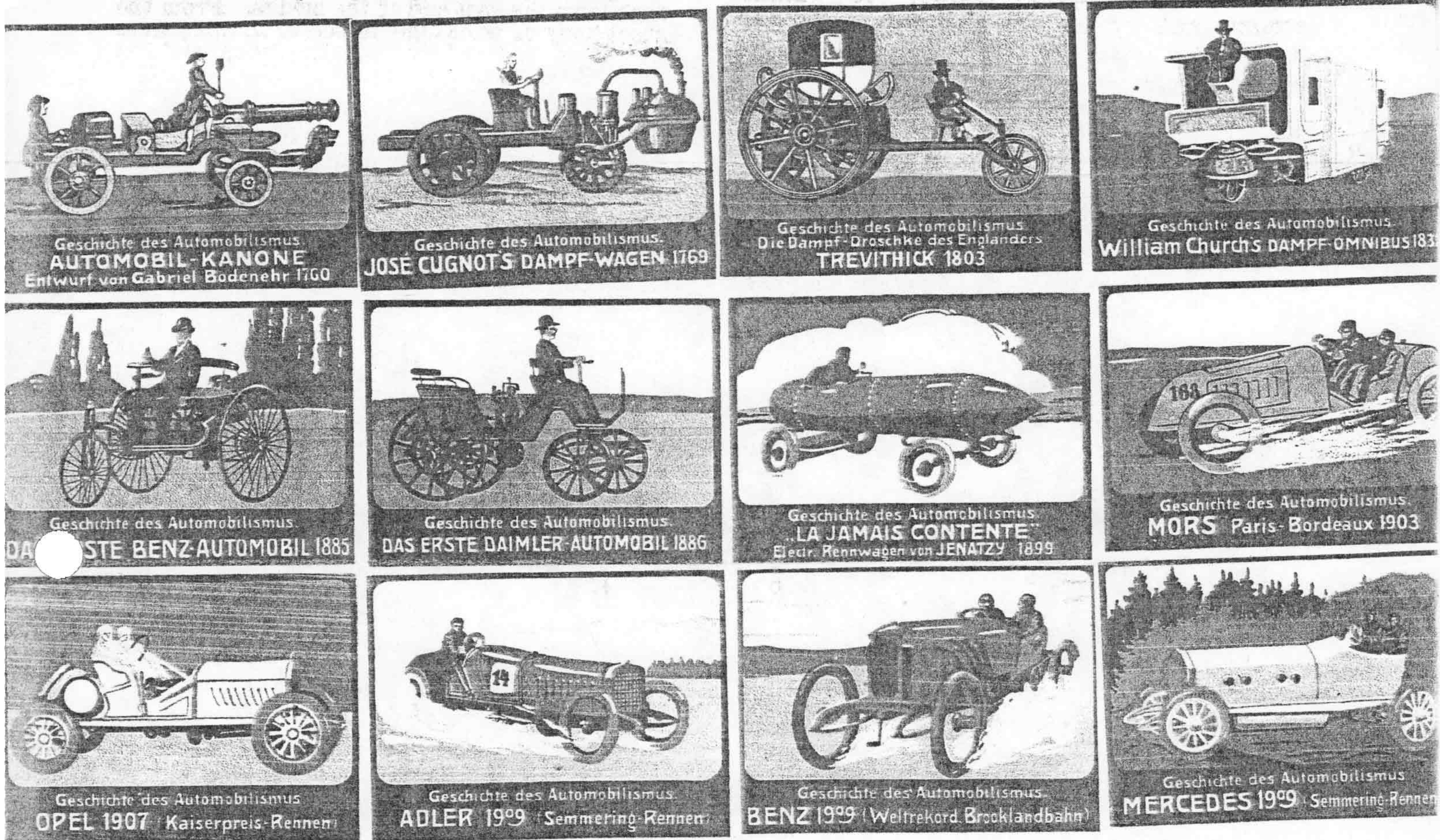
Some Red Cross Stuff

The background colors of the following Red Cross set were printed in two colors, blue and purple. An Allied soldier is portrayed from various countries on each issue. One issue, however, stands out from all the others. The vignette from Russia has an "X" across the face of the Russian soldier. Why? Well, during the Russian Revolution in 1917, the czar was overthrown and peace was declared with Germany. Thus Russia was no longer considered a member of the allied camp. This set apparently was prepared prior to the Russian Revolution and was printed after it.



EVOLUTION

We were informed long ago by a wise man, named Heraclitis, that the only thing in the universe that never, ever changes is change itself. There seems to be good reason to believe that this is true. For eighty years now, we have been awash in observing change. We offer as one illustration the following set of 12 Poster Stamps by an artist named SECK. What a transformation from the 1769 Dampf-Wagen to the 1909 Mercedes! As noted, we have had personal experience with the passage of time and the many changes that have taken place since we were born. We have evolved and so have we all. While we continue to be baffled by how a crystal set works, we are now aware how Publisher software brings you this Poster Stamp Bulletin each month. We hope that you will continue to receive this Bulletin because you paid your 2010 dues.


Some Boy Scout Stuff

In the past we have presented several sets of boy scout issues and indicated that this was a popular topic. Recently we came upon another set of scout issues from Germany. We are aware that a number of countries have printed scouting issues touting scouting jamborees.



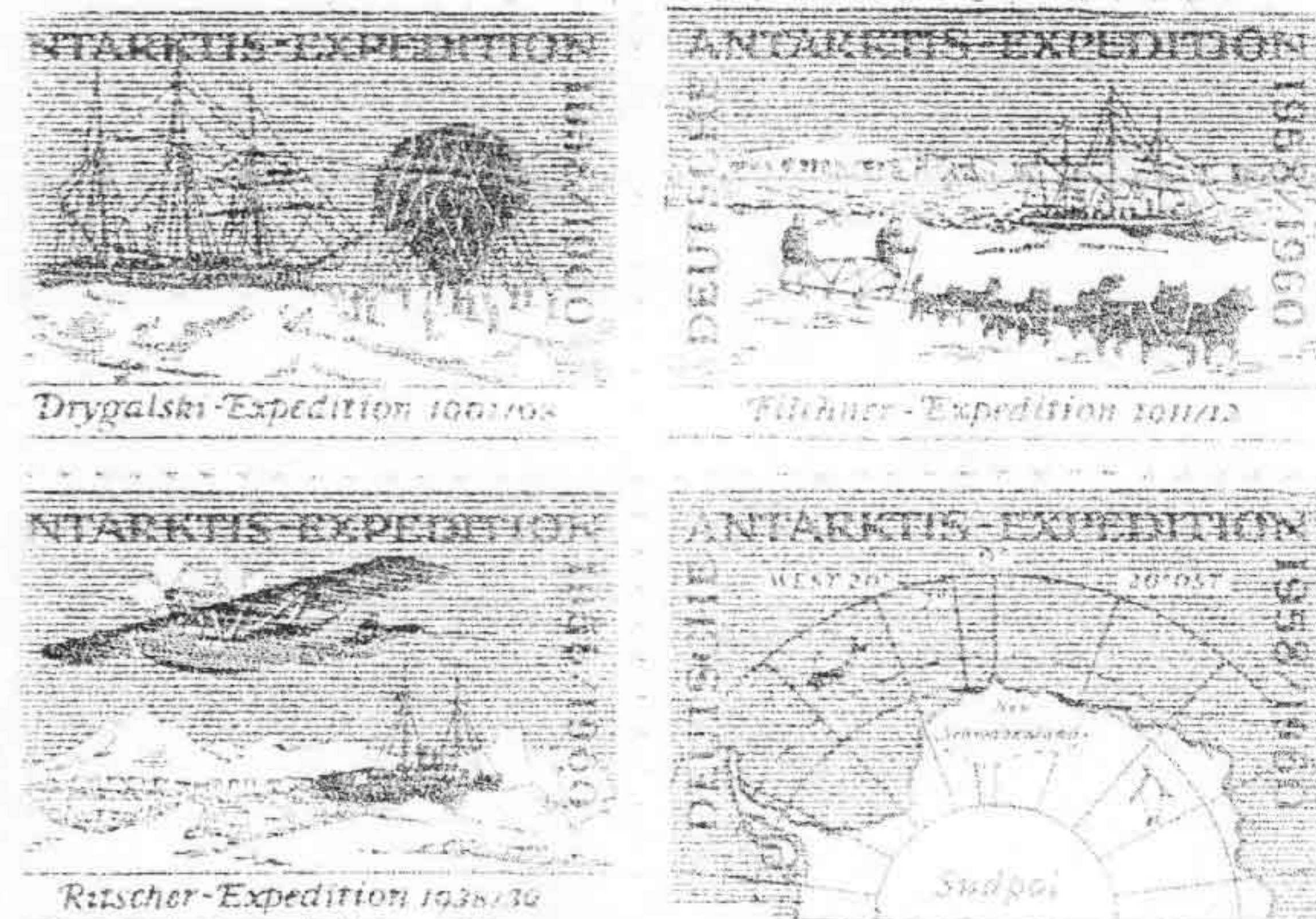
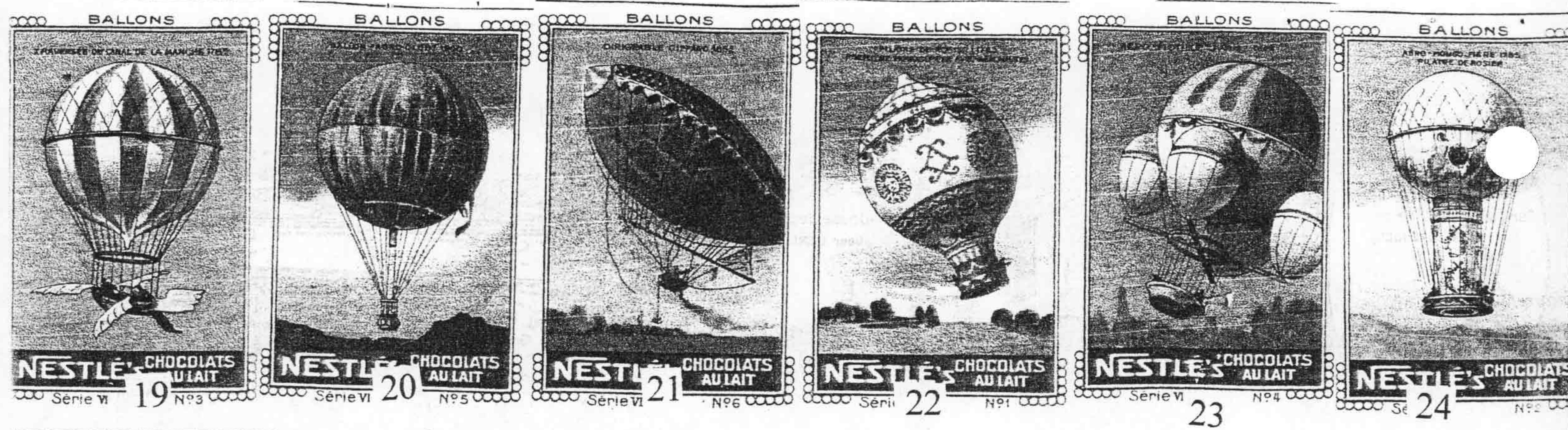
THE 2010 JANUARY AUCTION

The theme of this auction is aviation vignettes. This topic covers a lot of ground. As in other auctions this one includes trash and treasure. The vendor has indicated minimum bids on certain lots. It is our hope that our members will find something of interest. It is our venders hope as well. The auction rules remain the same and as always the auction ends on the last day of the month.



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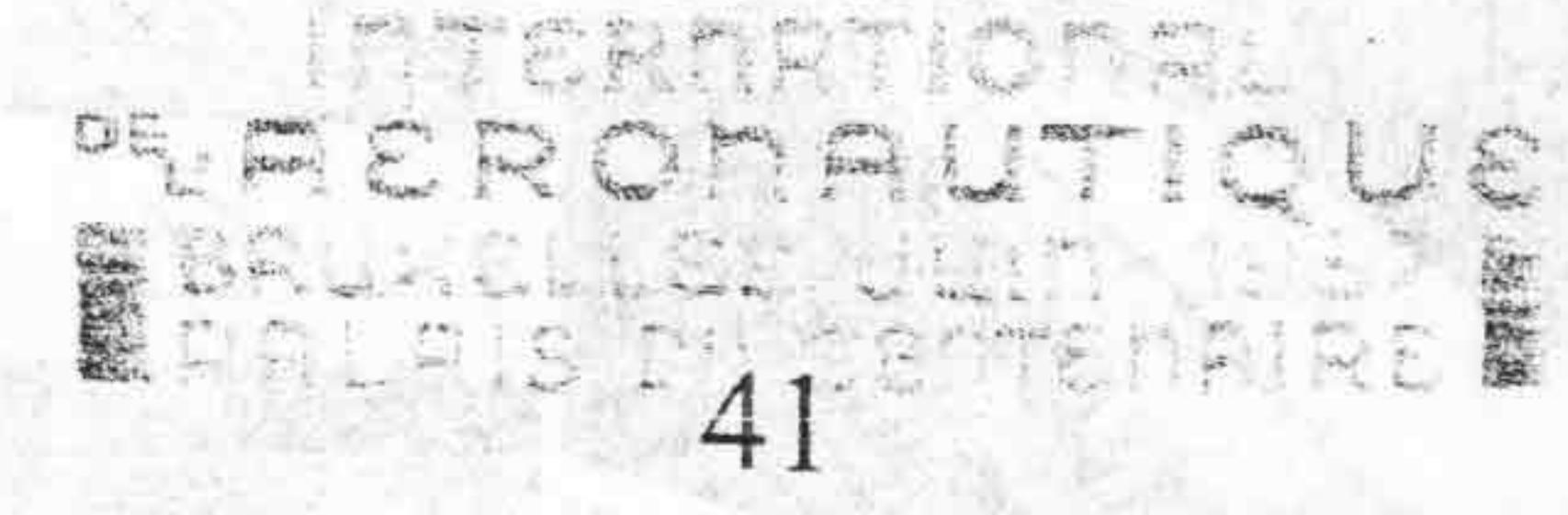
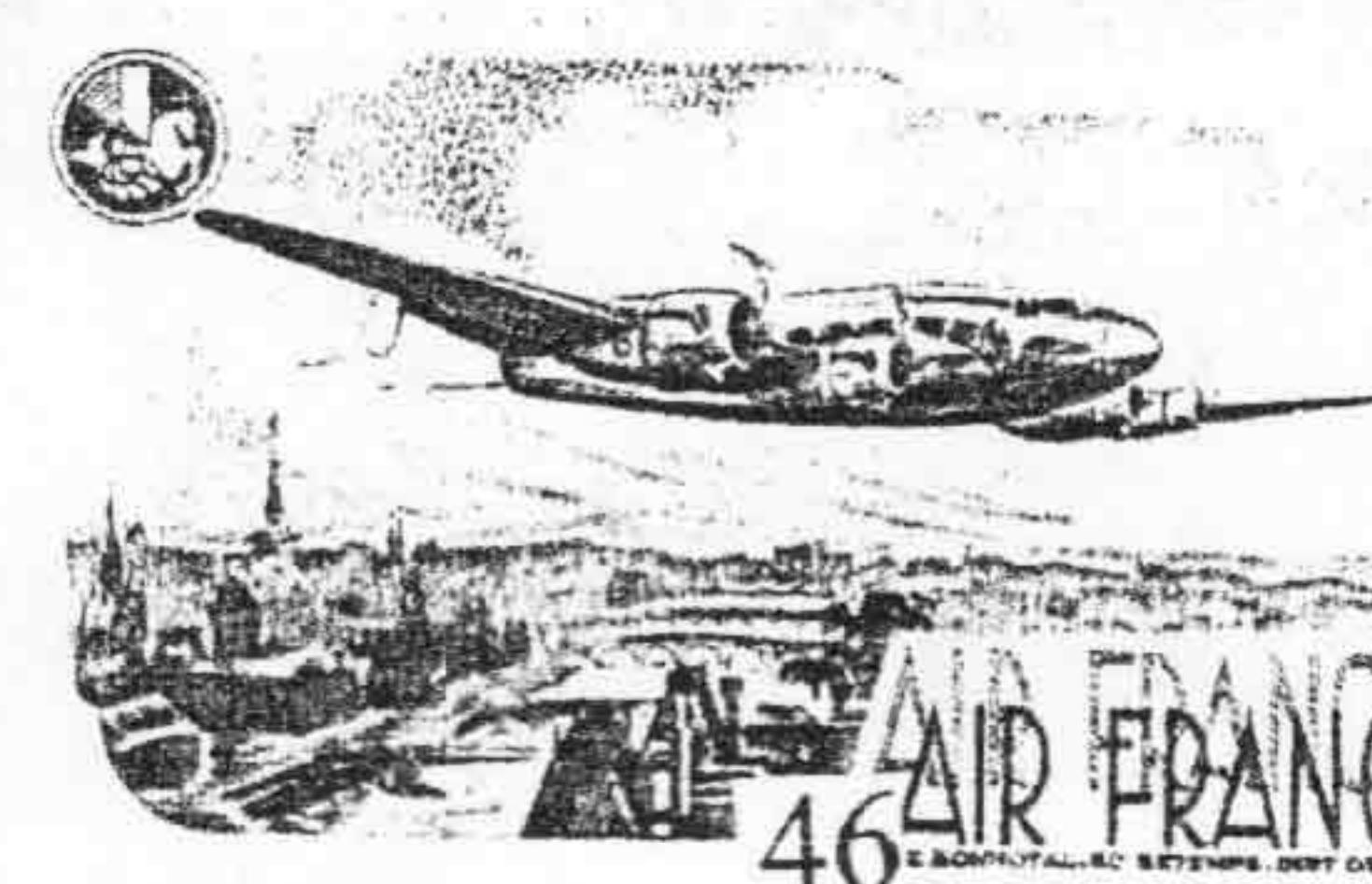
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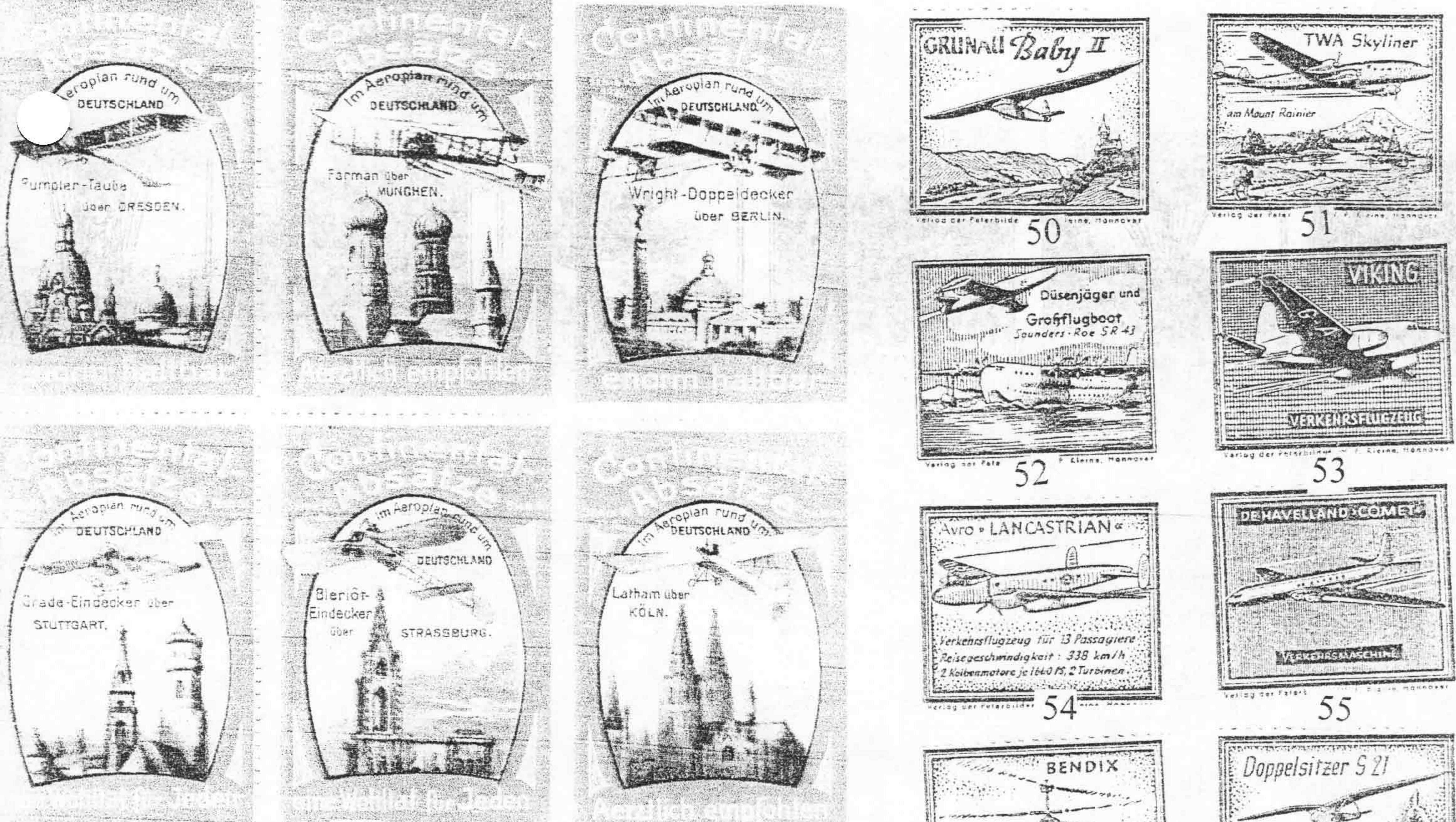
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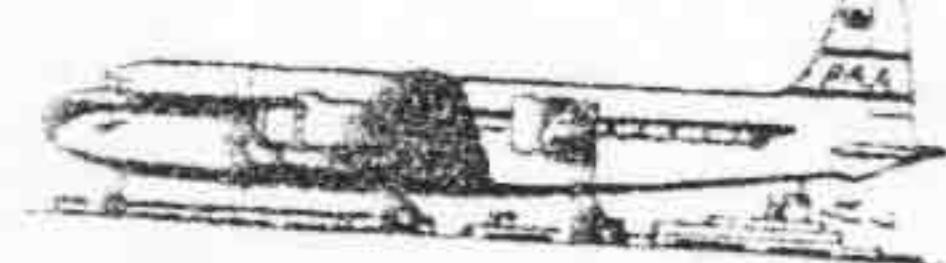


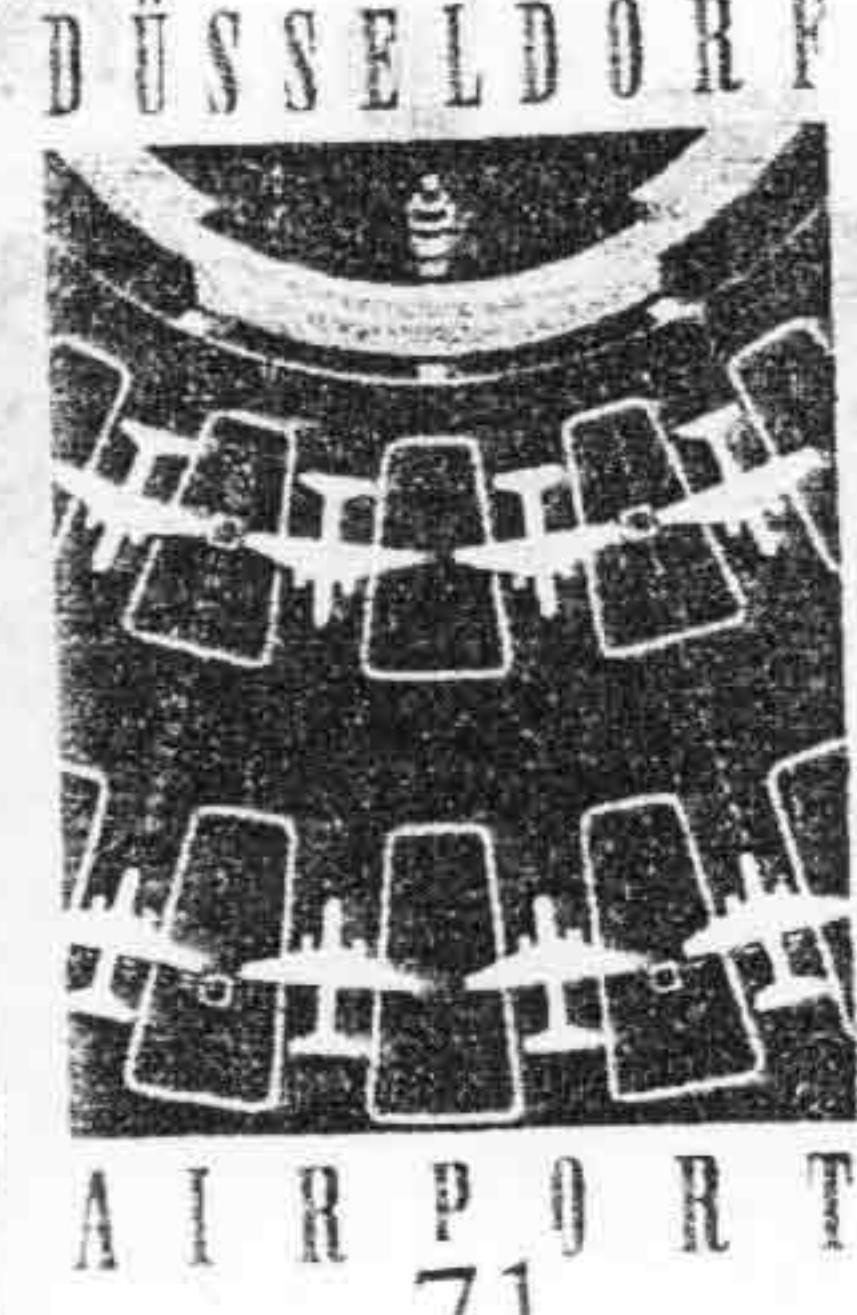
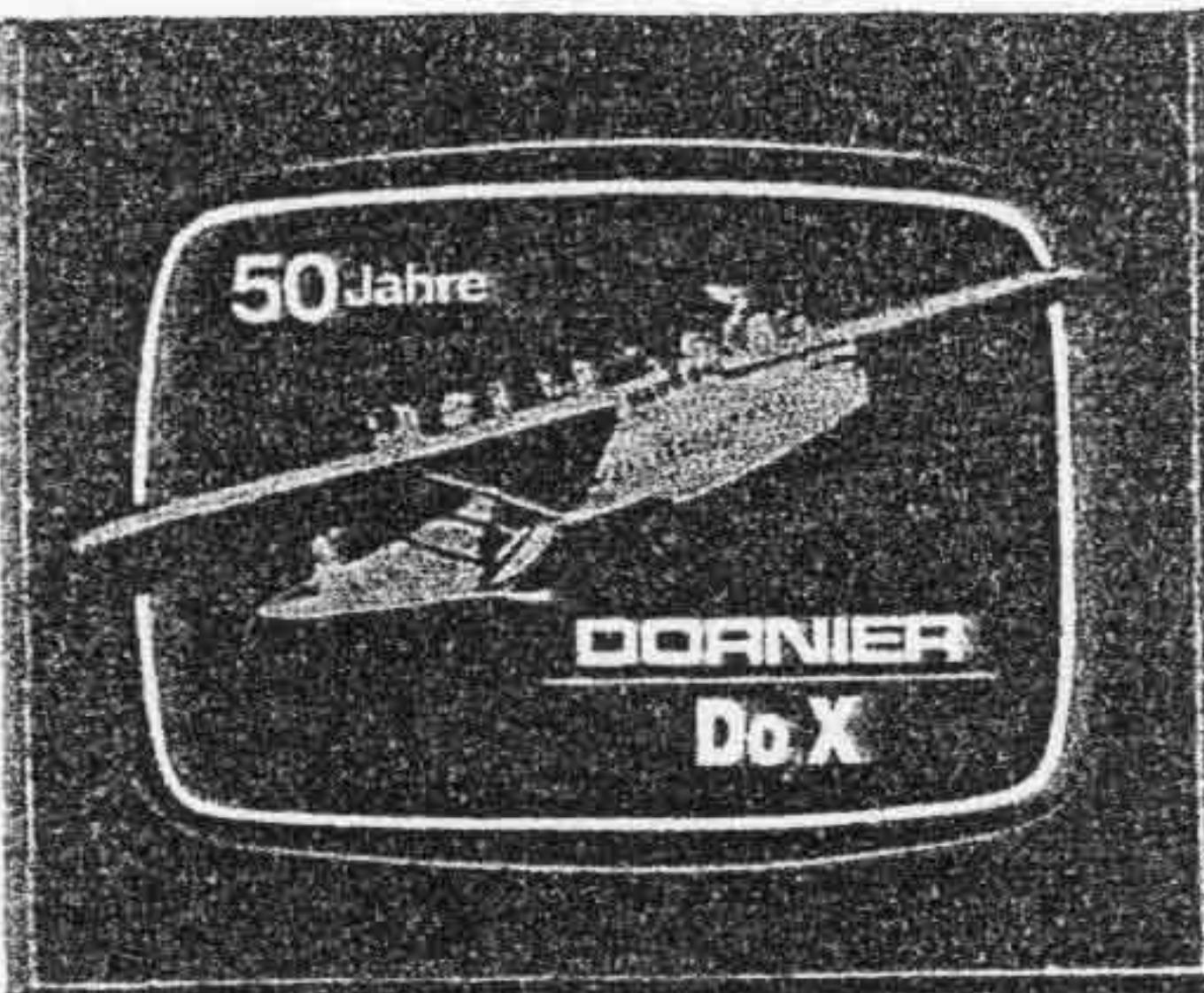
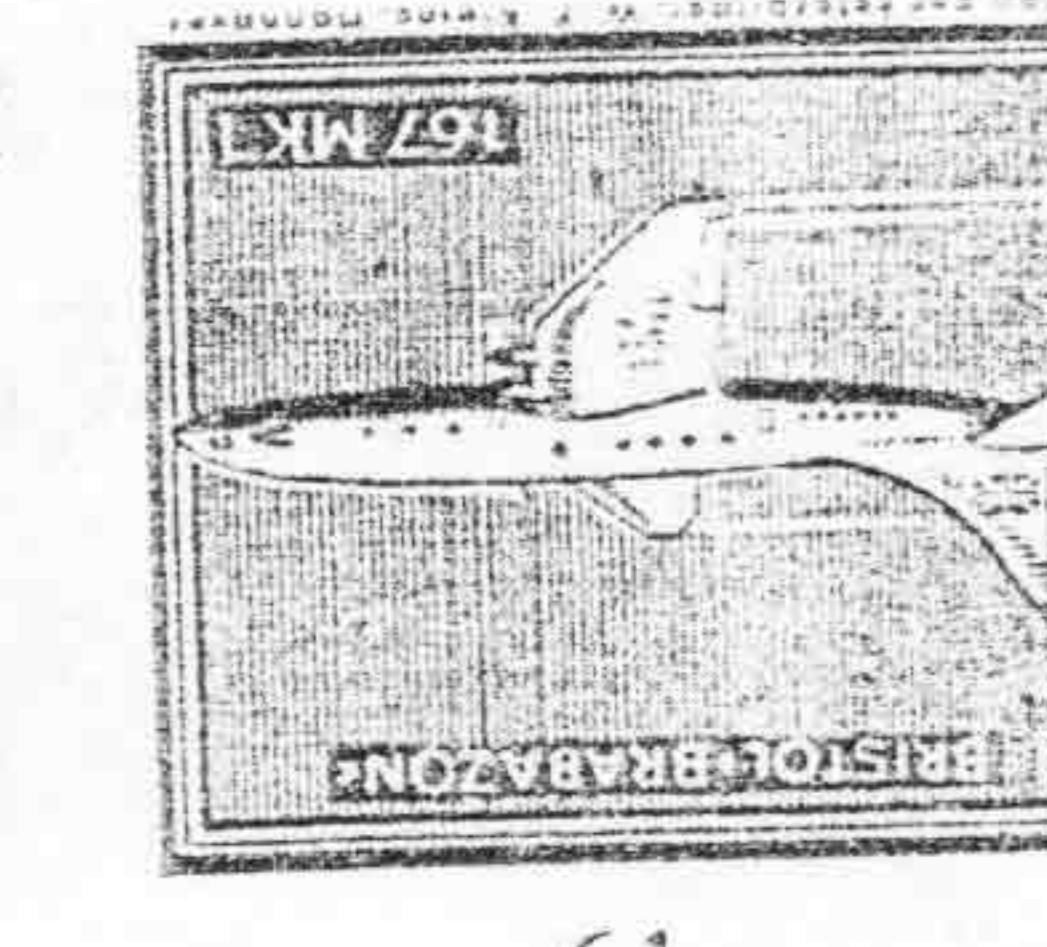
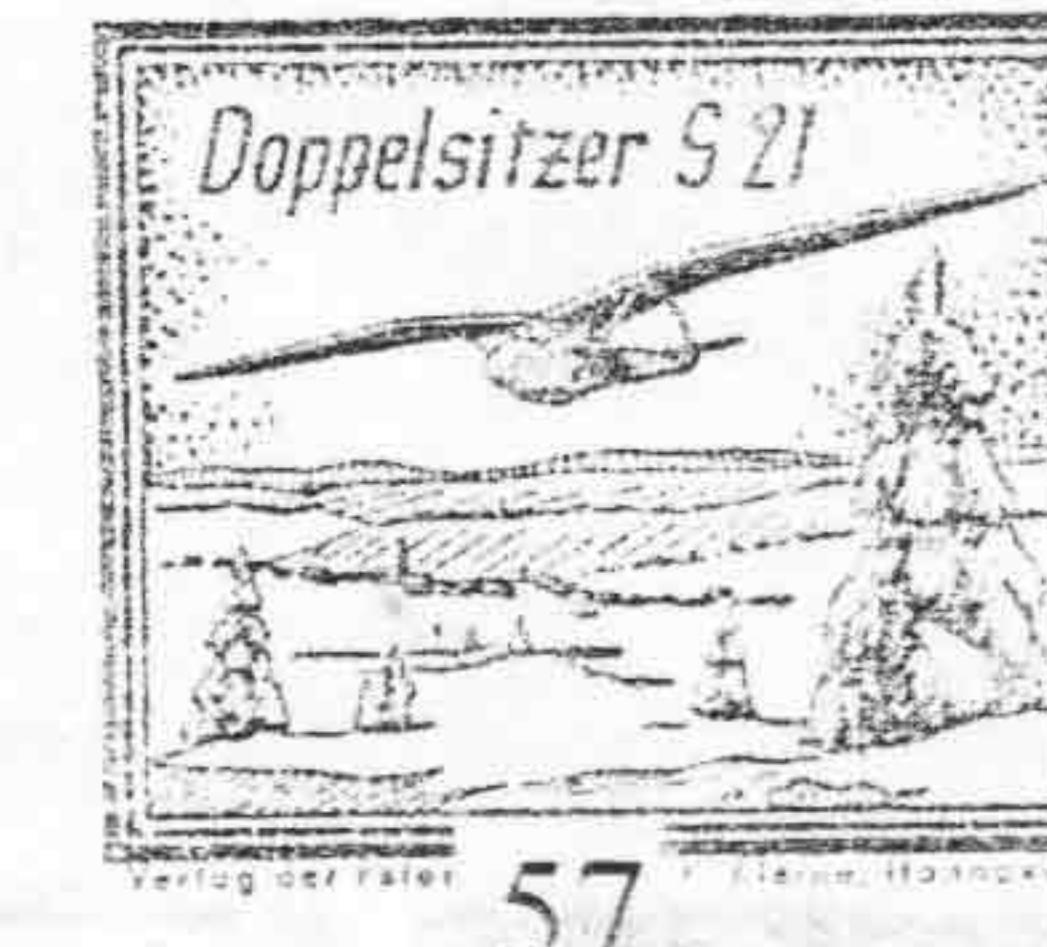
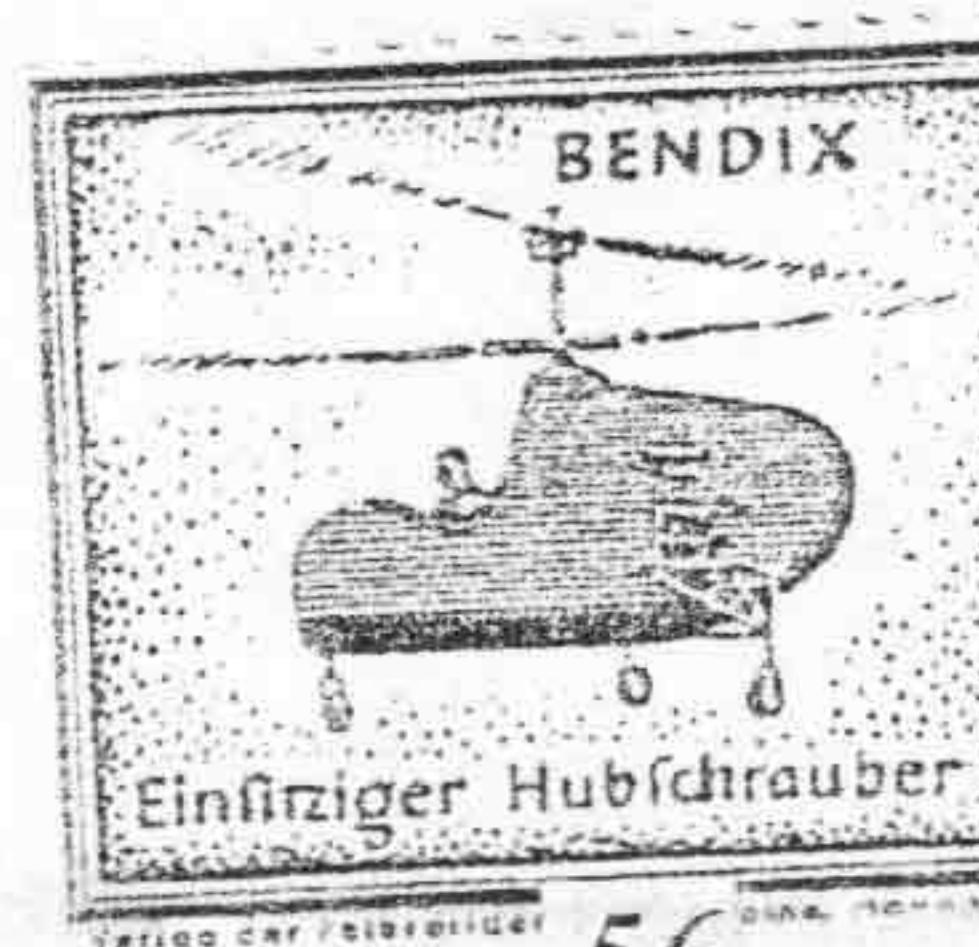
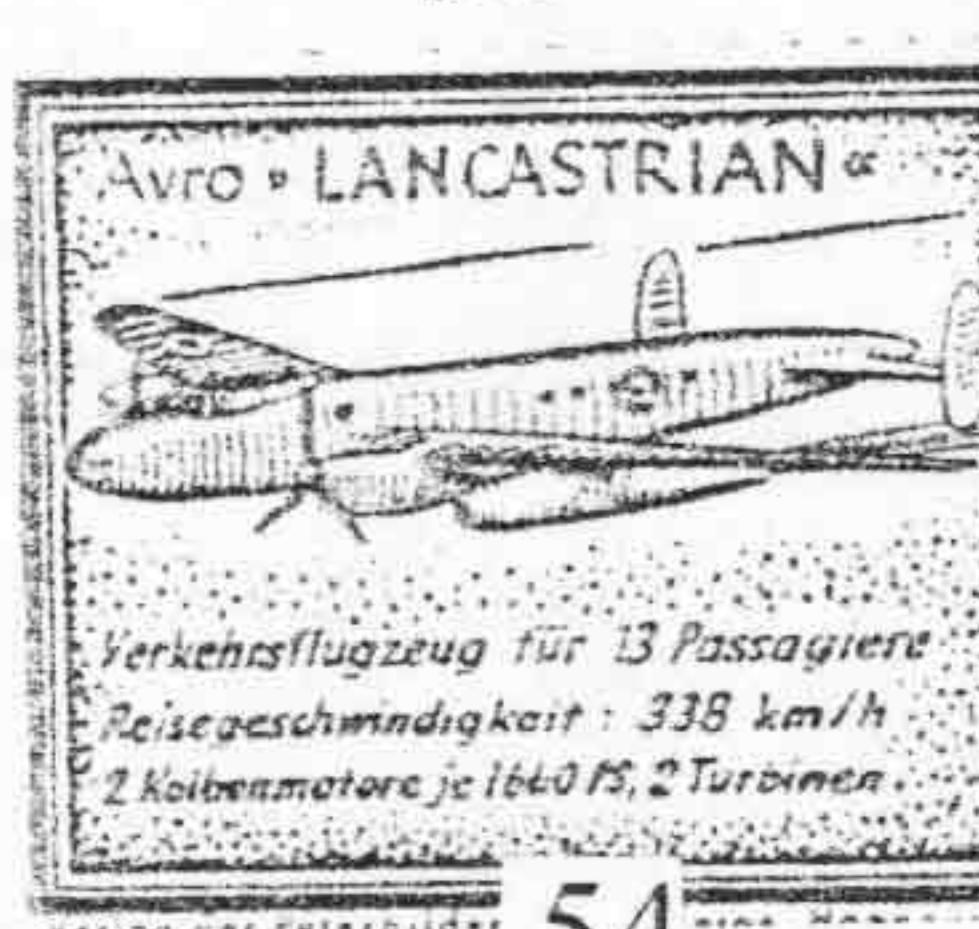
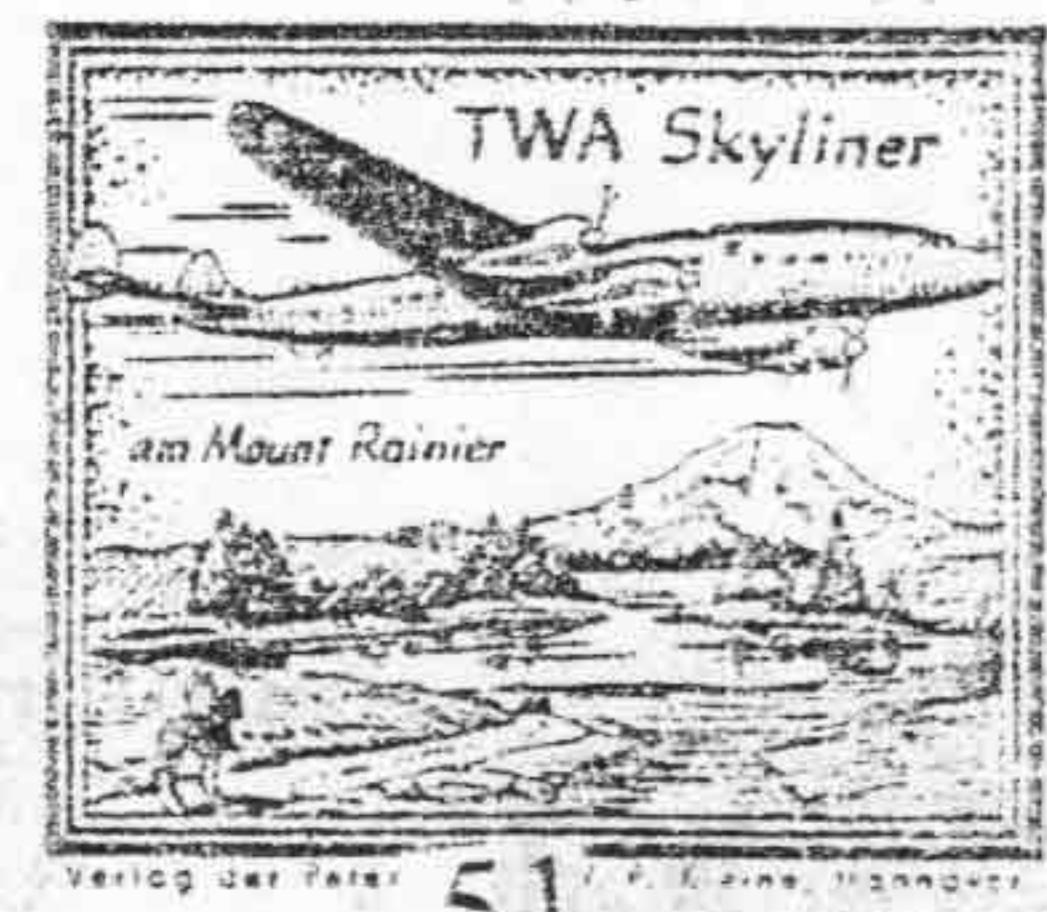
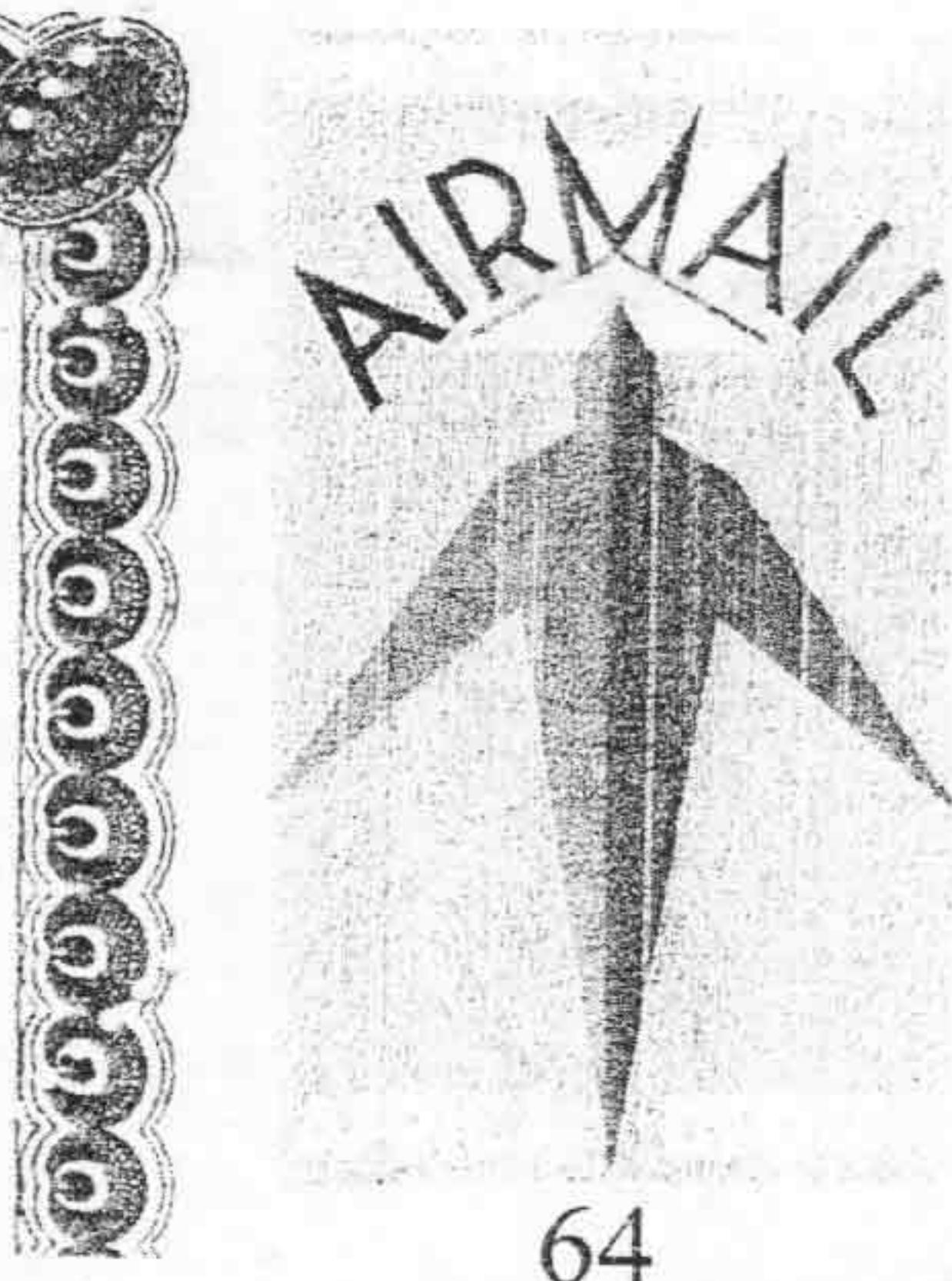
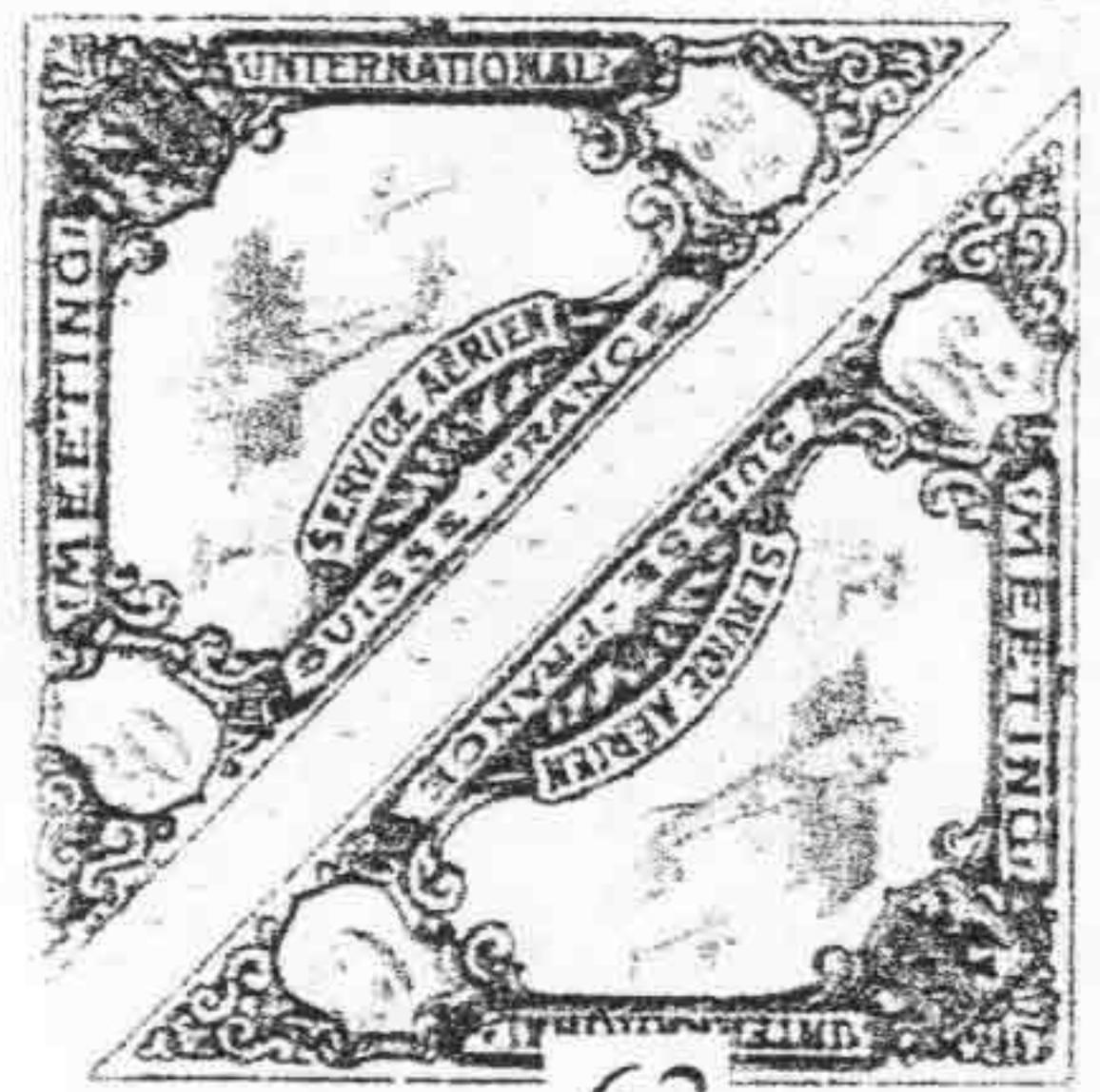
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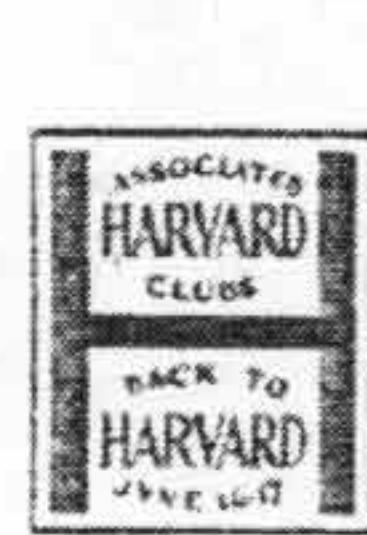
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Nick Follansbee's Undated U.S Events Catalog continues....



- Harrisburg Manufacturer's Good Will Day
Saturday April 22nd (1939?) 2.00
(Harrisburg) Pomeroy's Anniversary Sale (61 years)
Begins Saturday Sept 9 (1939) 3.00

There were Pomeroy department stores in Reading and Wilkes-Barre as well as Harrisburg. It is known that the Harrisburg store opened in 1878



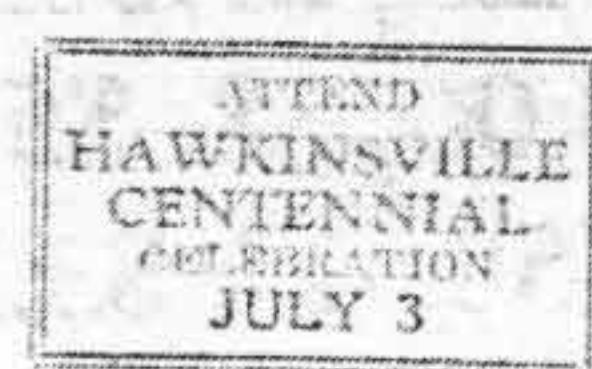
- Harvard Harvard Clubs "Back to Harvard"
June 16-17 (1922) 8.00
Hastings Street Carnival July 8-11 (1915) R

This and three other related designs (shown below) are found imprinted for other events, also found in various color combinations. It is therefore likely that similar varieties were issued for the Hastings Street Carnival.



- Hastings Central Nebraska Fall Festival Oct 10-15

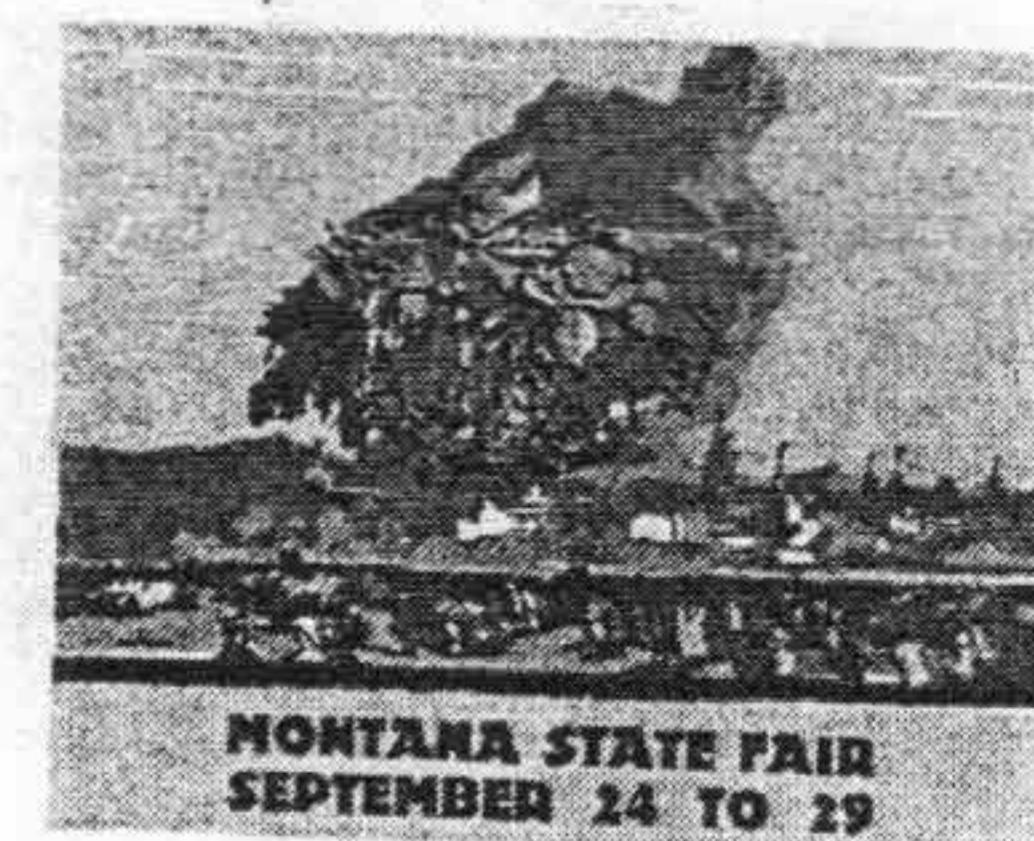
Possibly an envelope cut-out. Paper is rather heavy for a stamp.



- Hawkinsville Centennial Celebration July 3 (1930) 3.00



- Helena Montana State Fair (four designs)
Sept 20-25 (1915) 10.00 ea



- Helena Montana State Fair (six designs)
Sept 24-29 (1917) 10.00 ea



- Hemet "Ramona" (outdoor play) 17th year
April 20-21, 27-28, May 4-5 (1940) .. 4.00



- High Point Southern Furniture Market
July 11-15 (1960s?) 4.00



Holland Tulip Time in May
Set of three, 36 x 52 mm 3.00 ea
Set of three, 54 x 78 mm 5.00 ea



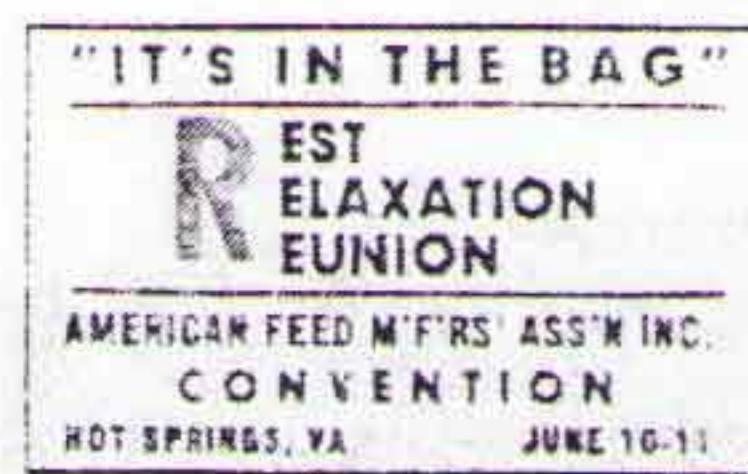
Hollywood 21st California Assn. of Collection Agencies
June 23-25 (1925) 7.00



Hollywood Bowl 15th Anniversary Season
T, T, F nights, July 7-Aug 28 (1937) . 3.00
Hollywood Int'l Astrological Conv July 6-8 (c1940) 2.00



Hope Hempstead Co. Union Fair
Sept 23-27 (1920) R
Hotchkiss Fair Sept 6-9 (1910) RR



Hot Springs Am. Feed M'F'R'S Conv.
June 10-11 (c1940) 3.00
Hot Springs 4th Southern Chiropodists Conv.
July 1-4 (c1925) R



Hot Springs 55th Ark. Phar. Assn. Convention
June 8-10 (1930s) 5.00



Houston Nat'l Flower & Garden Show
Feb 28-March 6 (c1940) 2.00
Huntington Fall Festival. Sept 20-25 (1920) 10.00



Huron South Dakota State Fair and Exposition
Sept 11-15 (c1915) ?

Possibly a cut-out (?)



Hutchinson Kansas State Fair Sept 12-19 (1918) 8.00
Hutchinson Kansas State Fair Sept 17-23 (1938) 3.00

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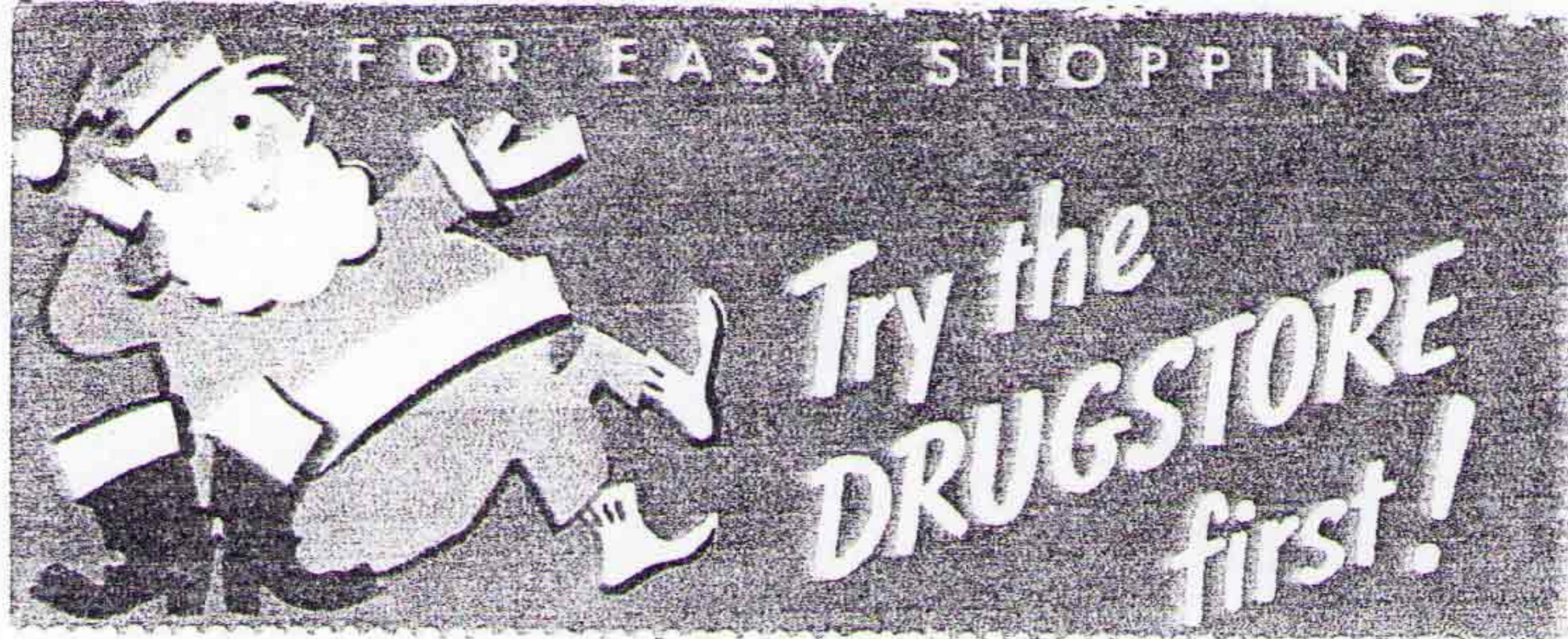
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WHOOPS!

We forgot Christmas last month.
Sorry. Had we remembered,
we would have included the
following vignette in last
months Bulletin:



REDEMPTION

We are cognizant that it is
now time to wish you all a
HAPPY NEW YEAR
(In spite of everything).



HAPPY NEW YEAR

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