

SECOND ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL,
Washington, April 25, 1938.

UNITED STATES FOREIGN AIR MAIL SERVICE

Beginning April 29, 1938, a weekly voluntary flight will be made on F. A. M. route 5 between Barranquilla, Colombia, and Cristobal, Canal Zone, leaving Barranquilla Friday at 6 a. m. and arriving at Cristobal by 8 a. m., and in the reverse direction leaving Cristobal at 5 a. m. and arriving at Barranquilla by 7:20 a. m. This provides three-times-a-week service between Miami and the Canal Zone, in addition to three-times-a-week service between Brownsville, Tex., and the Canal Zone. Mails for the Canal Zone and connections should be dispatched accordingly.

In Part II of the July 1937 Postal Guide, items "Costa Rica" (p. 110); "Guatemala" (p. 173); "Honduras Republic" (p. 175); "Nicaragua" (p. 240); "Panama" (p. 249); and "El Salvador" (p. 271), in the subitem "Air Mail Service," change each time "Miami * * * twice weekly" to "Miami * * * 3 times weekly."

In Part I of the Foreign Air Mail Service leaflet (pp. 1 to 3), make the following changes in the items indicated:

Canal Zone.—Column 3, add "Thur." after "(M)." Then opposite "Cristobal," add "Fri. a. m." in column 5; "Fri." in column 6, and "Fri." in column 7; and opposite "Ancon," add "Fri." in column 5; "Thur." in column 6, and "Fri." in column 7.

Costa Rica, Guatemala, Honduras Republic, Nicaragua, and Salvador.—Add after "(M)," "Thur." in column 3; "Fri." in column 5; "Thur." in column 6, and "Fri." in column 7.

Panama Republic.—Column 3, add "Thur." after "(M)." Then opposite "Cristobal, C. Z.," add "Fri. a. m." in column 5, and "Fri." in column 6; and opposite "Panama City" and "David," add "Fri." in column 5, "Thur." in column 6, and "Fri." in column 7.

RESTRICTION ON IMPORTATION INTO GERMANY AND AUSTRIA OF AUSTRIAN BANK NOTES AND FRACTIONAL CURRENCY STATED IN AUSTRIAN SCHILLINGS OR CROWNS

Information has been received to the effect that the prohibition against importing reichsmark notes into Germany has been extended to include bank notes and fractional currency stated in Austrian schillings or crowns. They may, however, be sent to a domestic German credit institution with instructions to credit them to a foreigner in a blocked account. Postal-check offices are also considered credit institutions within the meaning of this provision.

In order to avoid any difficulties, it is recommended that the senders of bank notes and fractional currency stated in Austrian schillings or crowns to be credited to a blocked account enclose in the article, in each case, a corresponding request.

The foregoing should be added as a third paragraph to the subheadings "Prohibitions" of the items "Germany—Regular mails" on page 155 and "Austria—Regular mails" on page 74, Part II, of the current official Postal Guide.

Postmasters are directed to cause due notice to be taken of the foregoing.

WEIGHT LIMIT FOR PRINTED MATTER IN GENERAL FOR COSTA RICA AND CUBA—EXTENSION OF FRANKING PRIVILEGE TO CERTAIN MAILED EXCHANGED WITH CHILE, COSTA RICA, CUBA, AND PARAGUAY

Effective at once, the weight limit for printed matter in general addressed for delivery in Costa Rica or in Cuba is increased from 11 to 22 pounds, and the franking privilege is extended (1) to official correspondence of consulates of Chile, Costa Rica, and Cuba addressed to their respective embassies or legations in countries that likewise agree to this privilege and (2) to provide that articles mailed in Chile or Paraguay which are entitled to pass in the domestic mails of those countries free of postage are likewise entitled to pass free of postage to the United States and vice versa.

The items "WEIGHT LIMIT" and "FREEDOM OF POSTAGE" of the notice published in the POSTAL BULLETIN of April 4, 1938, and bearing the caption: "The Convention and the Agreement Relative to Parcel Post of the Postal Union of the Americas and Spain Signed at Panama City, Panama, on December 22, 1936," are modified accordingly; that is, the following changes should be made in Part II of the July 1937 Postal Guide:

Page 61, table No. 2, modified note 3, in the first sentence add *Costa Rica* and *Cuba* after *Colombia*.

Page 16, section 27, in alphabetical order add *Chile*, *Costa Rica*, and *Cuba* in the new sentence in the second paragraph, and *Chile* and *Paraguay* in the modified fifth paragraph.

Pages 104 and 251, under the "Regular Mails" headings of *Chile* and *Paraguay*, add the following new subitem above the subitem "Observations" in each case: "Freedom of postage for Government Correspondence—See section 27."

HARLEE BRANCH,
Second Assistant Postmaster General.

THIRD ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL,
Washington, April 25, 1938.

NEW ISSUE OF ½-CENT ORDINARY POSTAGE STAMPS

Postmasters are hereby advised that the ½-cent stamp bearing the likeness of Benjamin Franklin will be the next denomination to be made available in the new regular series.

The stamp is identical in size and general design with the denominations heretofore announced except for the change in numerals and portrait, and omission of the dates that will appear on the stamps bearing likenesses of former Presidents. The stamp will be printed in orange color.

The new ½-cent stamp will be first placed on sale at the Benjamin Franklin Memorial Station, Philadelphia, Pa., on May 19, 1938, and at other post offices as soon thereafter as practicable.

Stamp collectors desiring first-day cancelations of the new stamp on May 19 may send a limited number of addressed covers, *not in excess of 10*, to the Postmaster at Philadelphia, Pa., with a cash or postal money order remittance to cover only the cost of the stamps required for affixing. Postage stamps will *positively not be accepted in payment*. Each cover should bear a pencil endorsement in the upper right corner to show the number of stamps to be attached thereto. Envelopes for covers should not be smaller than 3 by 6 inches. Compliance cannot be made with unusual requests, such as for the affixing of plate number blocks, etc., and all covers must be fully addressed.

To receive the official first-day postmark, covers must bear postage at the first-class rate. Therefore, space should be allowed above the address for six of these stamps.

Requests for uncanceled stamps must not be included with orders for first-day covers to the postmaster at the above office.

For the benefit of collectors desiring stamps of selected quality for philatelic use, the new ½-cent stamp will be placed on sale at the Philatelic Agency on May 20, 1938. To insure prompt shipment, mail orders to the Agency must be limited to the ½-cent stamp, excluding other varieties of stamps heretofore on sale.

So far as production will permit, all requisitions for ½-cent stamps from direct and central-accounting post offices after May 19 will be filled in whole or in part with the stamps of the new issue.

Postmasters at district-accounting post offices may obtain needed stocks of new design ½-cent stamps by requisition on the central-accounting postmaster after May 19.

In some cases shipments of the new ½-cent stamps may be received by postmasters prior to the close of business on May 19. In all such cases care must be exercised not to allow any of the stamps to be sold before May 20.

RAMSEY S. BLACK,
Third Assistant Postmaster General.

POSTMASTERS COMMISSIONED

Fourth Class

April 22, 1938

- c Bear Creek, Ark., Mrs. Joy V. Drewry.
- c Ignacio, Calif., Ottilie F. Taylor.
- c Radley, Kans., Mrs. Wilma R. Kennett.
- c Bethel, Ky., Waverly Novel Vice.
- c Shearer Valley, Ky., William T. Bertram.
- c Tallieu, La., Miss Heloise M. Menuet.
- c Barland, Miss., Mrs. Eleanor H. Mann.
- c Hasty, N. C., Carl L. Jones.
- d Fewell, Okla., Luther J. Hammer.
- gc Lehman Hot Springs, Oreg., Hanley Stubblefield.
- c Mikkalo, Oreg., Mrs. Mary F. McCulloch.
- c Croxton, Va., Miss Clara L. Smith.
- c Cove, Wash., George L. Paton

- c New postmaster.
- d Establishment.
- g Summer office.

ACTING POSTMASTERS APPOINTED

Fourth Class

- Ogilby, Calif., Mrs. Dora M. Allen. Apr. 16, 1938.
- Knox, N. Dak., Magdalena Miller. Mar. 26, 1938.
- McKenzie Bridge, Oreg., Willis Brewster. Apr. 6, 1938.
- Summer Lake, Oreg., Glenna May Deboy. Apr. 14, 1938.
- Govert, S. Dak., Mrs. Lillian M. Hafner. Apr. 18, 1938.
- Little Otter, W. Va., Mrs. Marie R. Brady. Apr. 19, 1938.
- Texas, Ky., Mrs. Grace Cocanougher. Apr. 7, 1938.
- Harrellsville, N. C., Joel A. Britt. Apr. 15, 1938.
- Standardville, Utah, Edward Rowley. Apr. 16, 1938.
- Belle Meade, Va., Richeson Chappelle. Apr. 16, 1938.

POSTMASTERS' NAMES CHANGED BY MARRIAGE

- Bethanna, Ky. Miss Cora Davis changed her name to Mrs. Cora D. Purcell on Apr. 15, 1938.
- Elk Creek, Ky. Mrs. Mary Susan Shafer changed her name to Mrs. Mary Susan McGehee on Apr. 30, 1937.

POST-OFFICE CHANGES

Established—Fourth Class

OKLAHOMA

- 63777. Fewell (*2879), Pushmataha County, route 53299. Nashoba, 12½ miles west; Honobia, 7 miles east. a Nashoba, Okla.

- * Unit number.
- a Postmasters address.

Discontinued—Fourth Class

GEORGIA

- Cutecane, Fannin County, route 21121 and rural route 2, Culberson. Effective Apr. 30, 1938. Mail to Culberson.

INDIANA

- Greenbrier, Orange County, route 33240 and rural route 1, French Lick. Effective May 15, 1938. Mail to Ethel.

POST-OFFICE CHANGES

Discontinued—Second Class

MINNESOTA

- White Bear Lake, Ramsey County, routes 110743, 110848, and 241370. Effective May 31, 1938. Mail to Saint Paul. To be consolidated with Saint Paul and the White Bear Lake branch of Saint Paul established.

Summer Post Offices to Open

- Darts, Herkimer County, N. Y. Effective May 2, 1938.
- Shinnecock Hills, Suffolk County, N. Y. Effective May 18, 1938.

Sites Change

ALASKA

- Ketchikan: To the new Federal building on the south side of Mission St. at the intersection of Mission and Stedman Sts. (mail-messenger routes 278031 and 278053; steamboat routes 78043, 78049, 78050, 78051, 78052). Effective Mar. 5, 1938.

- Sitka: To the new Federal building on the south side of Lincoln St. between U. S. Reserve for Agricultural Investigation and Weather Service, and U. S. Signal Corps Reserve (mail-messenger route 278023; steamboat routes 78077 and 78078). Effective Mar. 1, 1938.

ARKANSAS

- Buckner, Lafayette County, 350 feet west on routes 112703 and 247512 (300 feet from depot). Order of Apr. 21, 1938.
- Callon, Union County, 50 yards south on routes 112756, 247009 and rural route 3, El Dorado, Ark. Order of Apr. 22, 1938.

ILLINOIS

- White Hall: To the new Federal building on the easterly side of Jacksonville St. between Sherman and Ayers Sts. (railroad routes 106715 and 106718; mail-messenger route 235295). Effective Jan. 31, 1938.

KENTUCKY

- Texas, Washington County, 300 feet west on rural route 4, Springfield. Order of Apr. 21, 1938.

- Whitesburg: To the new Federal building on the north side of Main St. between Short St. and River Road (railroad route 105757; mail-messenger route 229510). Effective Feb. 22, 1938.

LOUISIANA

- Rayville: To the new Federal building on the south side of South Benedette St. between Louisa St. and Missouri Pacific R.R. (railroad routes 112755 and 112761; mail-messenger route 249279). Effective Jan. 3, 1938.

MAINE

- Boothbay Harbor: To the south side of McKown St., between Oak and Todd Sts. (steamboat route 1080). Effective about Nov. 1, 1938.

- Kennebunk: To the new Federal building on the east side of Summer St. opposite the town hall (railroad route 101724; mail-messenger route 201147). Effective Mar. 21, 1938.

MINNESOTA

- Long Prairie: To the new Federal building on the northwest corner of Oak St. and Osakis St. (Main St.) (railroad route 110741; rail-messenger route 241115). Effective Mar. 27, 1938.

- North Redwood, Redwood County, 100 feet southeast on routes 110742, 241137 and 41319. Order of Apr. 21, 1938.

- White Bear Lake: To the new Federal building on the northwest corner of 3d St. and Washington Ave. (railroad route 110743; mail-messenger route 241370). Effective Mar. 16, 1938.

INCREASE THE REVENUES BY RENTING MORE LOCK BOXES

