

SECOND ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL,
Washington, November 2, 1938.

REGISTERED ARTICLES—NUMBERING AND POSTMARKING—RETURN RECEIPTS

The Department is still receiving reports of the illegible numbering and improper postmarking of registered articles addressed to foreign countries, failure to supply return receipts (Form 2865) when requested and paid for, insufficient prepayment of return receipts, and use of improper forms for return receipts, as well as irregularities and omissions on the part of this service in connection with return receipts originating in foreign countries, particularly with respect to the absence of the postmark of the delivering office and the date of delivery.

In view of the large volume of mail to be handled during the approaching Christmas season, postmasters are especially requested to see that all registration numbers, whether written or stamped with numbering machines, are clear and unmistakable, the use of stamped or typed numbers on large mailings of registered articles being encouraged. Postmasters are likewise requested to see that registered articles addressed to foreign countries for which the sender requests a return receipt bear, on the front, the conspicuous notation, "Avis de Reception" (return receipt) or the imprint of a stamp "A. R." In such cases, Form 2865 shall be made up and fastened securely to the outside of the article by all first-, second-, and third-class offices, the return receipt being supplied by the dispatching exchange office in the case of registered articles originating at fourth-class offices. A fee of 5 cents shall be charged for a return receipt requested at the time of mailing and 10 cents if requested after mailing. Also, particular care should be exercised to see that return receipts from foreign countries are duly signed by the addressee and completed by the delivering postmaster so as to show the postmark of his office and the date of delivery.

In this connection, attention is invited to paragraph 2, section 2208 of the Postal Laws and Regulations, and paragraph 8, section 106, page 55, part II of the current Official Postal Guide.

AMBROSE O'CONNELL,
Second Assistant Postmaster General.

THIRD ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL,
Washington, November 2, 1938.

**MODIFICATION OF RESTRICTIONS OF JAPANESE BEETLE QUARANTINE NO. 48,
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

Referring to quarantine order No. 48 on account of the Japanese beetle, notice is given to postmasters in the regulated area in the States of Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia, that effective November 1, 1938, the following articles, the interstate movement of which is not considered to constitute a risk of Japanese beetle dissemination, are exempted from the restrictions of the regulations of this quarantine:

1. Balsam pillows, when composed of balsam needles only.
2. Banana stalks, when crushed, dried and shredded.
3. Dyed moss and dyed sand, when heat treated, and when so labeled on the outside of each container of such materials.
4. Floral designs or "set pieces," including wreaths, sprays, casket covers, and all formal florists' designs. Bouquets and cut flowers not so prepared are not exempted.
5. Herbarium specimens, when dried, pressed, and treated, and when so labeled on the outside of each container of such materials.
6. Manure, peat, compost, or humus (a) when dehydrated and either shredded, ground, pulverized, or compressed, or (b) when treated with crude petroleum or any other product having high potency as an insecticide, and when so labeled on the outside of each commercial container of such materials. (See also item 13.)
7. Moss, sheet (*Calliergon schriberii* and *Thuridium recognitum*).
8. Mushroom spawn, in brick, flake, or pure culture form.
9. Orchids, cut.
10. Orchid plants, when growing exclusively in *Osmunda* fiber.
11. *Osmunda* fiber, *Osmundine*, or orchid peat (*Osmunda cinnamomea* and *O. claytoniana*).
12. Resurrection plant or birdsnest moss (*Selaginella lepidophylla*).
13. Sphagnum moss, bog-moss, or peat moss (*Sphagnaceae*) when dried and baled. (See also item 6.)
14. Trailing arbutus, or Mayflower (*Epigaea repens*), when free from soil or primary roots, and when shipped during the period between October 16 and June 14, inclusive.

NEW ISSUE \$5 ORDINARY POSTAGE STAMPS

Postmasters are hereby advised that the \$5 stamp bearing the likeness of Calvin Coolidge will be the next denomination to be made available in the new regular series.

The stamp will be of the regular size, arranged vertically. It will be printed in bicolor, with black center and red border, by the flat-plate process, and will be issued in sheets of 100.

The new \$5 stamp will be first placed on sale at Washington, D. C., on November 17, 1938.

Stamp collectors desiring first-day cancellations of the new stamp on November 17 may send a limited number of addressed covers, *not in excess of 10*, to the postmaster at Washington, D. C., 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.

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 \$5 stamp will be placed on sale at the Philatelic Agency, Washington, D. C., on November 17, 1938. To insure prompt shipment, mail orders to the agency must be limited to the \$5 stamp, excluding other varieties of stamps heretofore on sale.

Postmasters at direct and central-accounting post offices may submit requisitions for a limited supply of the \$5 stamp to conform to local mailing requirements, *but such requisitions must exclude other denominations.*

So far as required to meet specific requests from local patrons, postmasters at district-accounting offices may obtain needed supplies of the new \$5 stamp by requisition on the central-accounting postmaster after November 17. In some cases shipments of the new \$5 stamp may be received by postmasters prior to the close of business on November 17. In all such cases care must be exercised not to allow any of the stamps to be sold before November 18.

RAMSEY S. BLACK,
Third Assistant Postmaster General.

POSTMASTERS COMMISSIONED

Fourth Class
Nov. 1, 1938

- c Gashland, Mo., Louis Taylor Bradford.
- c Cobre, Nev., Ralph L. Druhl.
- c Nineveh, N. Y., Mrs. Marie Saulsbury.
- c McFarlan, N. C., Miss Ethel Duncan.
- c Bonetraill, N. Dak., Mrs. Frances Hendricks.
- c Brisbane, N. Dak., Donald J. McVay.
- d Clifton, N. Dak., Mrs. Alyce Lockrem.
- c Art, Tex., Oswald Toepfich.

- c New postmaster.
- d Establishment.

ACTING POSTMASTERS APPOINTED

Fourth Class

- Troy, Colo., Mrs. Juanita Oxandaburu. Oct. 27, 1938.

POST-OFFICE CHANGES

Established—Fourth Class
NEW YORK

Rescind
Fish Creek, Oneida County, route 7248. The order appearing in Bulletin 17544 discontinuing this office effective Nov. 15, 1938, which was modified in Bulletin 17553 to become effective Oct. 31, 1938, and again modified in Bulletin 17559 to become effective Nov. 30, 1938, has been rescinded.

NORTH DAKOTA

98159. Clifton (*3353), Pierce County, route 2, Martin. Martin, 7 miles southwest; Selz, 8 miles southeast. a Martin.

- * Unit number.
- a Postmaster's address.

Discontinued—Fourth Class

ALASKA

Kennecott, route 113737. Effective Nov. 30, 1938. Mail to McCarthy.

NEW MEXICO

Turn, Valencia County, route 67153. Effective Nov. 30, 1938. Mail to Belen.

VIRGINIA

Peters Creek, Patrick County, route 14552. Effective Nov. 15, 1938. Mail to Stuart.

Summer Post Office to Close

Sperry Springs, Sussex County, N. J. Effective as of Sept. 15, 1938. Mail to Hopatcong.

Sites Changed

FLORIDA

Intercession City, Osceola County, 775 feet south on special supply from Kissimmee (975 feet from depot). Order of Nov. 1, 1938.
Holt, Okaloosa County, 65 yards east on routes 104804 and 223343. Order of Nov. 1, 1938.

WISCONSIN

Emerald, St. Croix County, 690 feet north on routes 110732 and 239495 (1,056 feet from depot). Order of Nov. 1, 1938.

STAR ROUTE SERVICE

Established

VERMONT

3998. The postmaster at Brattleboro, is authorized to employ temporary star route service from Greenfield railroad station (Mass.), by Bernardston (Mass.), to Brattleboro, 21 miles, 6 times a week, one way only, at not to exceed \$300 per annum, effective Nov. 16, 1938. Carrier not required to transport other than first-class, newspaper, special-delivery, and special-handling parcel-post mail. No box service.

Changed

CALIFORNIA

76145. Denny to Burnt Ranch. From Oct. 5, 1938, supply Burnt Ranch at site authorized Sept. 28, 1938, increasing distance 1.5 miles and pay \$102.19 per annum.

SUBSCRIPTION PRICE of this BULLETIN
is \$2 per annum.
REMITTANCE should be made to the
Superintendent of Documents, Govern-
ment Printing Office, Washington, D. C.

STAR ROUTE SERVICE

Changed

CONNECTICUT

- 6119. Thompsonville to Somers. Correct statement of frequency of service so as to show only 1 round trip required on holidays (8) instead of on holidays (7) unless specifically directed by the postmaster at Thompsonville.
- 6128. Hartford to Rockyhill. Correct statement of frequency of service so as to show no service required on holidays (8) instead of on holidays (7) unless specifically directed by the postmaster at Rockyhill.
- 6132. Hartford to Rockyville. Correct statement of frequency of service so as to show only 1 round trip and 1 one-way trip required on holidays (8) instead of on holidays (7) unless specifically directed by the postmaster at Hartford.

KENTUCKY

- 29955. Felty to Oneida. From Oct. 24, 1938, supply Oneida at site authorized Sept. 13, 1938, decreasing distance 0.2 mile and pay \$6.07 per annum.
- 29957. Burtus to Oneida. From Oct. 24, 1938, supply Oneida at site authorized Sept. 13, 1938, increasing distance 0.2 mile and pay \$7.10 per annum.
- 30015. Burning Springs to Oneida. From Oct. 24, 1938, supply Oneida at site authorized Sept. 13, 1938, decreasing distance 0.2 mile and pay \$15.43 per annum.
- 30038. Hensley to Oneida. From Oct. 24, 1938, supply Oneida at site authorized Sept. 13, 1938, increasing distance 0.2 mile and pay \$6.20 per annum.

MICHIGAN

37264. Saginaw to Mount Pleasant. From Oct. 1, 1938, supply Hamlock at site authorized June 1, 1938, increasing distance 0.08 mile and pay \$2.88 per annum.

MINNESOTA

41246. Brainerd to Garrison. Change service on return trip from Garrison only so as to have carrier travel from Rau Corner (n. o.) by Nokasippi Bridge (n. o.) and Knutes Corner (n. o.) to Brainerd, direct, omitting detour road by way of Sipple Corner (n. o.) and 7 mile Corner (n. o.), decreasing distance equal to 3.20 miles and back; deduct \$152.12 per annum from pay of contractor effective Oct. 5, 1938.

MISSOURI

45292. Goodwater to Black. From Oct. 24, 1938, supply Black at site authorized Oct. 14, 1938, increasing distance 0.5 mile and pay \$18.05 per annum.

MONTANA

63135. Hinsdale to Thoeny. Order of June 9, 1938, is modified so as to change and restate service as follows, and allow contractor \$44.27 per annum, instead of \$12.65 per annum additional pay, effective July 1, 1938: From Hinsdale (via Old Thoeny Rd.) by Genevieve, J. S. Peck box (n. o.), Arnold box (n. o.), and R. Hayden box (n. o.) to Thoeny; returning by F. McKnight residence (n. o.), Martin Jensen residence (n. o.), Genevieve and Olson brothers corner (n. o.), to Hinsdale, equal to 51.25 miles and back, 3 times a week between Hinsdale and Genevieve (equal to 27.5 miles) and twice a week between Genevieve and Thoeny (equal to 23.75 miles). On trips between Genevieve and Thoeny contractor required to travel from Genevieve north 2 miles, east 2 miles, north 1 mile, east 2 miles, north 2 miles, and thence to Thoeny, returning southwesterly to southeast corner sec. 2, T. 34 N., R. 36 E., thence northwesterly to northwest corner sec. 2, west 4 miles on township line to southeast corner sec. 36, T. 35 N., R. 35 E., south 1 mile and west irregularly to Genevieve.

63453. J. Burley box (n. o.) to Broadus. Order of Aug. 17, 1938, changing and restating service, is modified so as to state distance as 19.8 miles and back, instead of 18.9 miles and back, and allowance to contractor as \$224.26 per annum, instead of \$197.70 per annum additional pay, effective Sept. 1, 1938.