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Illustrated on the Front Page is a wrapper from the Mexican Period of Texas, circa 1830. It was the 4th type of town marking used in the settlement of San Antonio de Bexar when there were only three post offices in the entire state. For other San Antonio markings of the 19th century see the article on postmarks appearing in this issue.

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PRESIDENT'S PAGE



It is wonderful how ones perspective can change with time, from dismal pessimism to guarded optimism. At the last writing of the Presidents Page I was depressed and could foresee little to be "upbeat" about. Since that page was written, we have conducted a very successful "Cover Auction", and have published and "Index" to the first thirteen volumes of the Texas Postal History Society Journal. Articles and notes have come in, and prospects for the future seem brighter than ever. Amazing what asking for help and receiving the support of dedicated members can do.

I would like all members of our society to be aware of the major contributions made by Ed Leissner to the successful inauguration of our "Cover Auction", and by Dick Byne to the much needed "Index" of our Journal. Each contribution is the result of countless hours of work, augmented by the resources and talents of two outstanding members. I hope that when you meet these individuals in person, you will pass along your own congratulations for a tough-job well done.

TEXPEX - 89

This years meeting of the Texas Philatelic Association at the Grand Kempinski Hotel, in Dallas, was another grand affair. I feel sure everyone who attended came away impressed. There were some really great exhibits, a fine assortment of dealers, and plenty of activities, including a tour of the Wineburg Philatelic Library. From my own count of T.P.H.S. members that I met at this exhibition I concluded that at least 25% of our membership attended one or more days of the exhibition.

On Friday, the opening day of the show, the T.P.H.S. members available, convened in the Waterford A Meeting room to discuss some of the organizations problems and elicit suggestions for improvement. One suggestion was to develop as soon as possible an Index for the Texas Postal History Society Journal. A second suggestion that seemed to have good merit was to accumulate postmarks for as many Texas cities as possible, and ultimately to compile these into a Catalogue of Texas Postmarks. As many members are aware, the index was completed and mailed to all members in July. Now, in this issue readers will find an article on the postmarks of San Antonio. Things are indeed looking "upbeat".

PALESTINE (ANDERSON CO.) TEXAS

by Norma Watz

Palestine, located in the exact center of Anderson County, serves as County Seat. Anderson County was created in 1846 from Houston County and was named for Kenneth Anderson, the last Vice-President of the Republic of Texas.

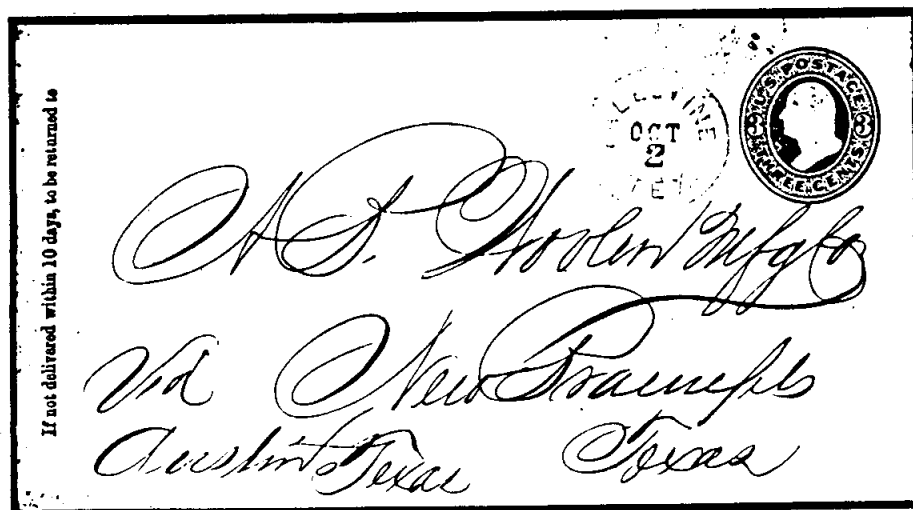
About two miles west of present-day Palestine is the site of old Fort Houston, stockade and blockhouse of the Republic of Texas built in 1835. This was the first Texas site to bear the name of Sam Houston. By 1846, Fort Houston was abandoned and Palestine became County Seat.

Palestine was named by Rev. Daniel Parker, Baptist minister, who established "Pilgrim Baptist Church." A log church was built in 1839, and served as a center for the Primitive Baptist faith in Texas.

When weekly mail routes were established in January 1839, a route operated from Crockett to Fort Houston, via Bennett's, and San Pacero. In 1845, the route was listed as "Crockett to Fort Houston, via Pettett's." Mail routes in operation when annexation to the United States was completed became under control of the Postmaster General of the United States and postal services have been continuous at Palestine since that time.

Cover illustrated - Palestine, October 2, 1875, to New Braunfels - via Austin, Texas.

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THE 19TH CENTURY POSTAL MARKINGS OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

By William H. P. Emery, Karl C. Gebert, and Edgar L. Leissner

The founding of San Antonio, Texas traces its origin back to 1718 when the Viceroy of New Spain expressed the desire to have a halfway post between the East Texas missions and the Spanish presidios in northern Mexico. He sent out Martin de Alarcon, who established a mission at San Pedro Springs, and the accompanying presidio called San Antonio de Bexar surrounding the mission. This presidio in Central Texas was the foundation for the present city of San Antonio.

In 1778 General Teodoro de Croix recommended the establishment of a royal postal service from the capital of Mexico into Texas and other northern provinces. Despite numerous difficulties encountered in setting up this royal postal route, Governor Don Domingo Cabello reported on February 15, 1779 that the mail service was in operation. Thus, began the first regular mail service into Texas. This route had three post offices; Bexar (San Antonio), La Bahia (Goliad) and Nacogdoches.

The current study reports on the postal markings of San Antonio, Texas, from 1801-1900. A total of 250 postal markings have been studied using either original covers or photocopies. Careful measurement of 1) the outer rim diameter, 2) the type-character size, and 3) the character spacing allows identification of different postmark types.

From data accumulated during this study, the authors have identified 28 different devices used in the San Antonio post office between 1801 and 1900. Tracings were made of each different postmark and are illustrated on the following pages. Along with each postmark type, information on its size, color, and duration of usage are provided.

If readers of this article are aware of any additions, corrections or errors, the authors would be most appreciative of receiving this information. Future updates of the Texas catalogue of postmarks may be rendered more accurate by such contributions.

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Jul.1878

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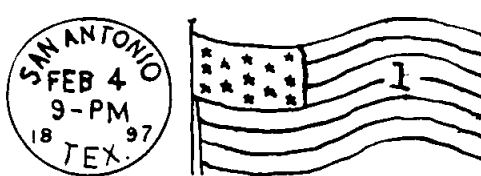


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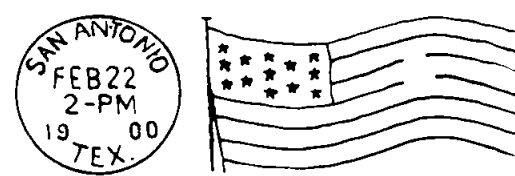


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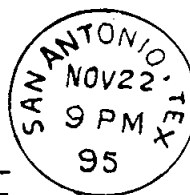


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Feb.1895-
Nov.1895

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TRANSIT THROUGH TEXAS

By
R.H. Stever

Texas postal history includes mail originating in Texas for Texas destinations, mail originating in Texas for out-of-state destinations, mail originating out of state for delivery in Texas and mail originating out of state which travelled across Texas for eventual delivery to another out-of-state destination. The cover shown in Figure 1 is an example of the latter. It originated in New Orleans in September, 1869 and was addressed to Parral, Mexico. It travelled via San Antonio where it entered the U.S. mails.

A map of Mexico shows Parral to be a rather remote interior city located in southern Chihuahua state. Evidently the Sieg and Krug Company of New Orleans was a forwarding agent for those doing business with F. Stallforth of Parral. Exchange of mail between these parties must have been quite a chore in those days. It apparently was impractical to send letters by sea to a Mexican gulf coast port from whence transit to Parral would be difficult. The surest and fastest way was through Texas and Sieg and Krug routed it that way with the manuscript "care of Wm. Hagelsieb, Presidio del Norte, Tex." at lower left.

There is little doubt that the subject cover departed New Orleans by ship. To get to San Antonio, the Texas entry port was most likely either Galveston or Indianola. In the case of Galveston, mail could travel by train to Columbus via Harrisburg. Columbus was the western railhead at that time with carriage northwest to San Antonio by a stagecoach of the Risher and Hall line. These stages departed Columbus every evening except Sundays and arrived at San Antonio by 10:00 a.m. the second day. However, if the entry port was Indianola, mail could go by train from Port Lavaca (about three miles from Indianola) to Victoria. Connecting with the railroad at Victoria were stages of the U.S. Mail and Stage Line operated by William Ashley and Company. Departures for San Antonio were semi-weekly and were routed through Goliad and Helena. Thus, the most likely route for Figure 1 was through Galveston to San Antonio as it took only six days to get to San Antonio from New Orleans.

This letter was carried out of the mails and delivered on September 30, 1869 to the F. Groos and Co. in San Antonio (Figure 2). They subsequently deposited it in the U.S. mail system. The San Antonio CDS shows an October 1 date which was a Friday. Since B.F. Ficklin's stage departed San Antonio for El Paso at 8:00 a.m. every Monday, Wednesday and Friday via Boerne, Fredericksburg, Loyal Valley, Fort Mason, Fort McKavett, Fort Concho, Fort Stocton and Fort Quitman, it is safe to assume the letter left San Antonio on the October 1 stage.

It didn't go all the way to El Paso, however. At Fort Stocton it made connection with the southbound stage for Presidio

del Norte and Chihuahua. Notice the manuscript "2" in the center of Figure 2, the reverse side of Figure 1. This is a Mexican two reales due marking applied at Ojinaga, the Mexican entry point across the Rio Grande from Presidio del Norte.

It is not clear from Ficklin's stage line ads whether he operated the connecting stage out of Fort Stocton. It's possible this stage was owned and operated by Felix Maceyra, a Chihuahua stager who ran regular stage routes between Chihuahua and San Antonio via Eagle Pass and between Chihuahua and El Paso. Maceyra also operated stages to Monterrey, San Luis Potosi and Mexico City, so he is the likely stager between Chihuahua and Parral.

The Figure 1 letter bears six cents postage. While this letter could have been double weight, it seems probable that Sieg and Krug mistakenly thought six cents would pre-pay carriage all the way to Parral. Actually, the United States had no mail contract with Mexico. Postage paid for transit only to the border. Evidently Sieg and Krug learned the Mexicans were charging Mr. Stallforth postage due. Figure 3 shows another letter which they directed to Stallforth about five months later. It paid only the three cents U.S. domestic rate to the border. In contrast to Figure 1, it was placed in the U.S. mail at New Orleans instead of being forwarded out of the mails. Routing was the same, via Groos and Co. in San Antonio. Both Figure 1 and Figure 3 are one-page folded letters, written in German describing business transactions and dollar amounts, and apparently were never double-weight letters.

It is interesting to estimate the travel time for such a letter in those days. At least two-thirds if not four-fifths of the distance traversed was by stagecoach. Much of the territory was wild country, inhabited by the Comanches, Apaches, Lipans, etc., plus Anglo and Mexican bandits. Stages often had to have armed escorts but even this was no guarantee of safe arrival at a destination. Even so, the Figure 1 letter probably got to Parral in less than three weeks. It took six days to reach San Antonio from New Orleans. The Ficklin stage line advertised six and one-half days from San Antonio to El Paso. Thus, arrival at Fort Stocton was only 11 or 12 days out of New Orleans. How long the letter had to wait at Fort Stocton for the southbound stage is unknown as is the travel time from there to Parral. It would appear, from looking at a map, to be about a five-day trip. This adds up to about 17 days in transit plus the waiting time at various stops. All in all, a remarkable accomplishment considering the modes of travel and the hazards involved.

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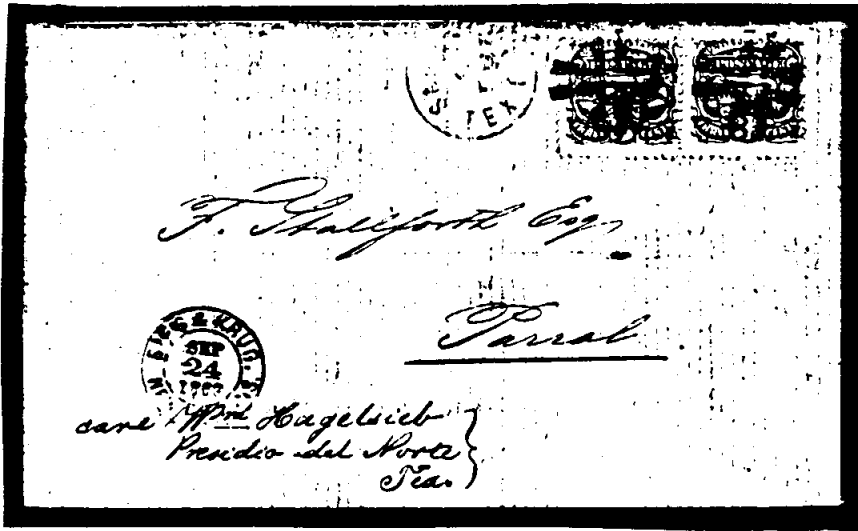


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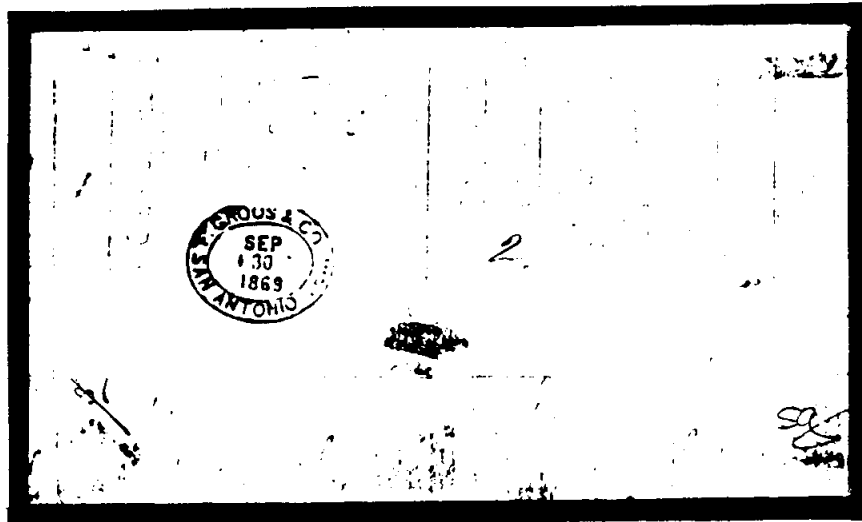


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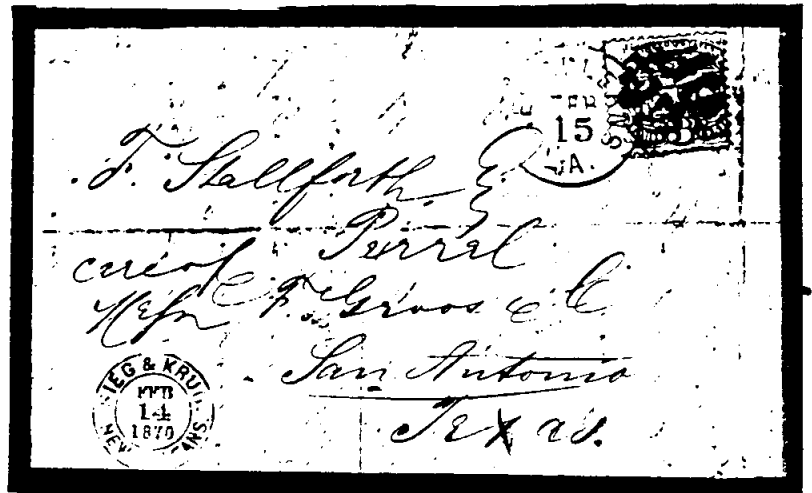


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PARKER, Ward S., 6 Shardue Ln., St. Louis, MO. 63141. Tel. 314-432-2743.
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SIMPSON, Ronald D., 9001 Jones Rd., Houston, TX. 77065. Apt. #813.
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699-0461.

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TEXAS POSTAL HISTORY SOCIETY 1ST SALE

PRICES REALIZED

The first mail auction sale was closed on June 26, 1989 - 45 days after the mailing of the sale to members. Bidding was brisk, and 14 of our members made offers. One member in Europe cast some bids. HAMMER PRICES were as follows:

Lot #	1	3	4	5	6	7	9	10
Price	10.00	4.00	12.00	12.00	8.00	30.00	6.00	8.00
Lot #	11	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Price	8.00	15.00	30.00	24.00	1.50	3.00	20.00	12.00
Lot #	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Price	4.00	7.00	25.00	18.00	15.00	2.00	6.00	2.00
Lot #	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35
Price	36.00	8.00	8.00	50.00	20.00	7.50	8.00	30.00
Lot #	36	37	38	39				
Price	2.00	30.00	4.00	6.00				

Lots not listed were withdrawn. Three members were consignors. We seek material for future sales. Material may be forwarded to the Auction Manager, Ed Leissner, 711 Canterbury Hill, San Antonio, TX. 78209.