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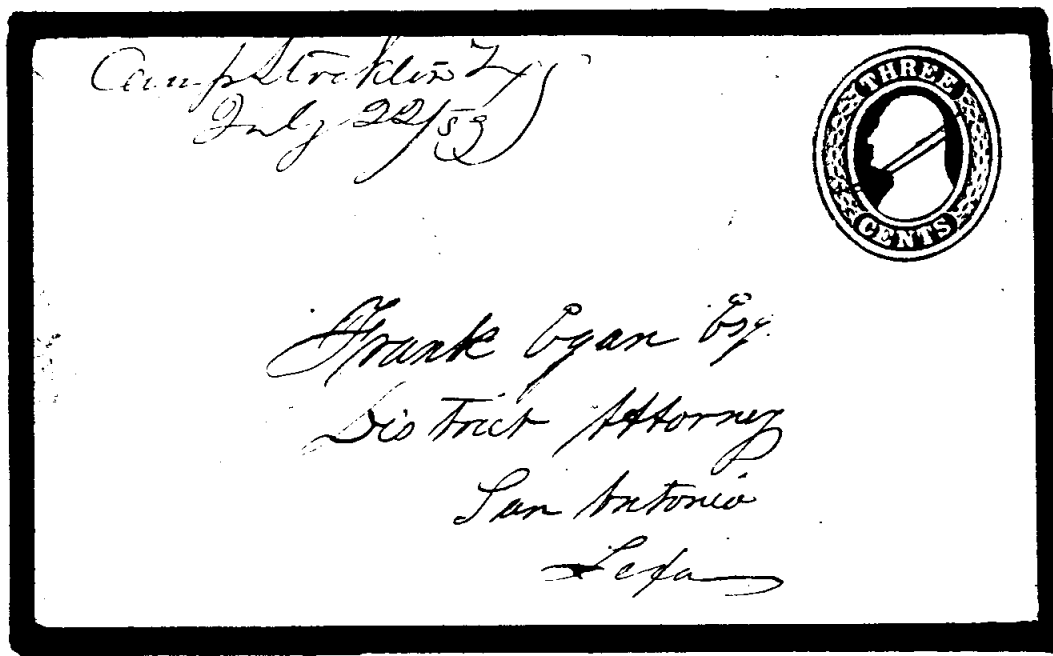


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Shown on the front page is an early Texas Frontier Fort Cover, unlisted in any of the standard Texas sources. It is a U-10 postal stationary envelope, pen cancelled, with the manuscript notation in the upper left corner .. Camp Stockton, Tx., July 22, 59. For further information see the article in this issue titled, Camp Stockton, Texas, appearing on page 2.

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PRESIDENT'S PAGE



Initially I can think of only two subjects that I wish to address on this page. The first, officers for the Texas Postal History Society 1992-93 years, the second the upcoming exhibition, TEXPEX -91 at San Antonio.

Article 5 of the Texas Postal History Society Constitution states, "There shall be a President, a Vice-President, and a Secretary-Treasurer. These officers shall be elected by a simple majority of the members casting ballots, and shall serve a term of two years in office. The term of office shall start January 1st, in even numbered years....".

Article 6 states, "There shall be a nominating committee consisting of the current President and two non-office-holding members selected by the President. This committee shall select one candidate for President, one candidate for Vice-President, and one candidate for Secretary-Treasurer. Any member may place in nomination one candidate for any office by petitioning in writing the Secretary-Treasurer prior to October 1, of Odd-numbered years. All candidates must agree to their nomination before their names may be listed on the ballot.

The nomination committee has already been appointed as of the date this journal appears.

Two points need to be made regarding the next election-- these are, that anyone desiring better leadership, or a fresh direction for the T.P.H.S., has only to find someone of his or her persuasion, get their consent, and submit the individuals name to the Secretary-Treasurer by October 1st. The second point is, that even if you are happy with the current direction, you have at least two officers of the society who actively seek retirement. New workers to serve the society must be located.

TEXPEX - 91 The 95th Texas Philatelic Association Annual Exhibition and Convention will be hosted by the San Antonio Philatelic Association. This event will be held June 14-16, 1991 in the Municipal Auditorium, 100 Auditorium Circle, San Antonio, Texas. In addition to the Texas Postal History Society, three other national societies - the Mexico-Elmhurst Philatelic Society, the Confederate Stamp Alliance, and the United States Philatelic Classics Society will be having meetings at the show.

The exhibition will feature over 300 frames of material, hopefully several of these exhibits will be of Texas Postal History.

CAMP STOCKTON, TEXAS

By William H. P. Emery

The cover shown in Figure 1 was what caused the author of this article to do a little searching into the who, the what, the where and the why, of the story about to be presented.

For hundreds of years this location was astraddle the Great Commanche War Path that swept south from Oklahoma to the Rio Grande River, and beyond into Northern Mexico. The site was an oasis, located on an arid plain, and was a popular camping ground for various Indian groups.

One of the earliest white explorers to visit this region, the future site of Camp Stockton, was Juan D. de Mendoza in 1684. His report makes particular note of the abundant clear water coming from Commanche Springs and of the four mesas that surround this watering place. The mesas are from seven to twenty miles distant, and from

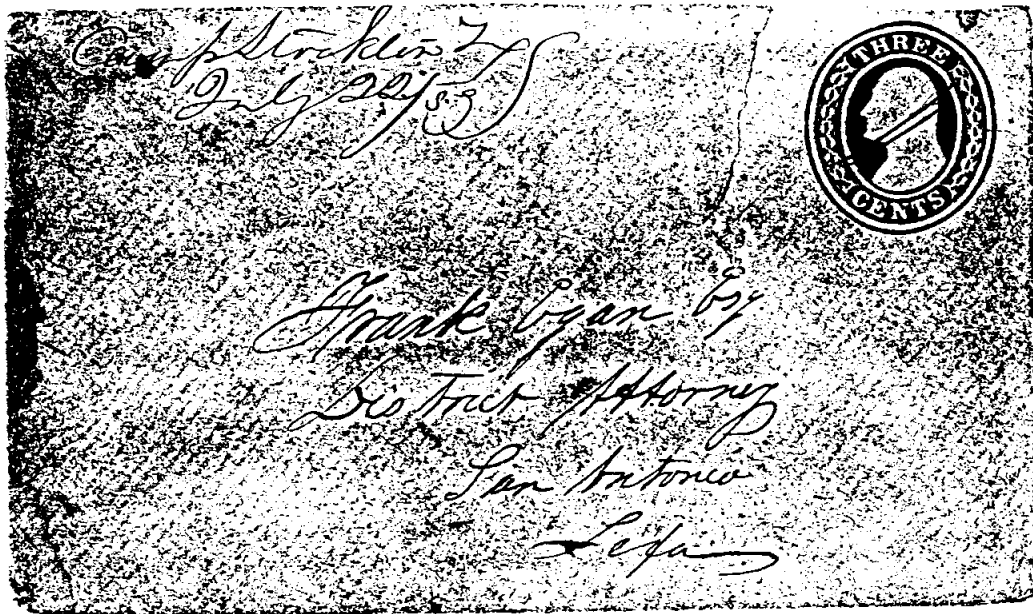


Figure 1

100 to 500 feet elevation. Their sides are abrupt and rocky, while their tops are covered by coarse grass and several species of cacti.

When military authorities decided to establish a post at Commanche Springs the reason cited was, "to guard the mail route from San Antonio to El Paso". It also served as a valuable link in a chain of West Texas forts which protected emigrants going to California or Chihuahua, against the hostile Indians of the area. The post was named in honor of Commodore William Field Stockton, a dedicated advocate of Texas

Annexation and Commander of the Pacific Fleet during the Mexican War. His aggressive action contributed significantly to American success in California.

Today, Fort Stockton is the principle town of Pecos County. It is located approximately 390 miles southwest of Fort worth, 245 miles south-east of El Paso, and 340 miles due west of Austin. At the time Camp Stockton was first established the nearest post was Fort Davis, 74 miles southwest. The nearest American town was Fredericksburg 275 miles to the east, while the army supply depot at San Antonio was some 330 miles away.

Camp Stockton was originally occupied by a detachment of twenty men of the First and Eighth U.S. Infantry under the command of Lt. Cherbourne in December 1858. By the first week of February 1859, reinforcements had been sent from Fort Lancaster and construction began on the post called Camp Stockton.

Due to the arid location, there were no trees, and all lumber for construction had to be transported by wagon from San Antonio. The primary materials used were native stone, and adobe bricks that could be made on location.

The first camp that was built consisted of three barracks buildings for enlisted soldiers, five houses for officers quarters, a guard house, a bakery, and a building near the stables for storage of supplies and equipment.

Barracks buildings were 80 by 24 feet, with stone foundations, adobe walls, and thatched roofs. Eight windows, plus two doors provided the light, access and ventilation. Men slept on straw-ticks laid out on the dirt floor. There were neither wash-rooms, bathrooms, nor water closets present. Heat was provided by a single large fire-place fueled by mesquite roots dug from the surrounding terrain. A kitchen and mess were provided by a 40 x 24 foot adobe walled wing that extended out the back of each barracks and was roofed with canvas.

The officers quarters were one story buildings, built of adobe bricks, with stone foundations and shingled roofs. They had porches front and rear, glass windows, board floors and plastered interior walls throughout. Each building contained approximately 700 feet of living space.

The guard house, built of rock, was approximately 56 x 16 feet, with a shingled roof. Inside it was divided into two rooms, one for prisoners the other for the guards. The prisoners portion was unheated, and ventilated only by two slits in the wall, 4 inches wide by 18 inches long. The average number of occupants was fifteen.

The post bakery was located in an adobe building with shingled roof, roughly 22 x 18 feet.

The largest building on the post was beside the stables. This

structure had a stone foundation, adobe walls, and a shingled roof. Ventilation was provided by 100 small openings, each 18 x 10 inches. Access to the facility was provided by four large doors, one in each wall of the building.

Construction on the camp had been only partially completed, when in February 1861 the garrison was ordered to march at once to Indianola. There they ^{were} supposed to embark on naval vessels for return to the North. However, before the march could be completed, hostilities broke out. Confederate troops were instructed, "to intercept and prevent the movement of the U.S. troops from the State of Texas". Some 815 Union soldiers from various federal posts were arrested. Many of these men accepted "parole" under protest, while others refused the parole and were imprisoned.

In early June, Camp Stockton was occupied by a company of Texas State Troopers under the command of Captain Charles L. Pyron. He remained here until July 1862, after which the post was abandoned and left to deteriorate. Indians, travelers and occasional settlers of the area, literally tore the old buildings apart, using the wood to fuel their fires.

On July 21, 1867, Federal troops again returned to the post. They found that only one building remained standing. Rather than try to rebuild the old post, General Hatch decided to construct a new facility and make it the headquarters for the Ninth Cavalry. This new Camp Stockton was located one-half mile north of the old post, on the west side of Comanche Creek.

Using Mexican laborers instead of enlisted men, General Hatch had more than 120 civilians employed at the new post by September 30, 1867. In the succeeding years the new fort was completed. By 1870 the post consisted of seven officers quarters, four barracks for enlisted men, four stables each with a separate barn, a guard house and quartermaster buildings, all of which bordered the perimeter of a rectangular parade ground 1,000 by 450 feet.

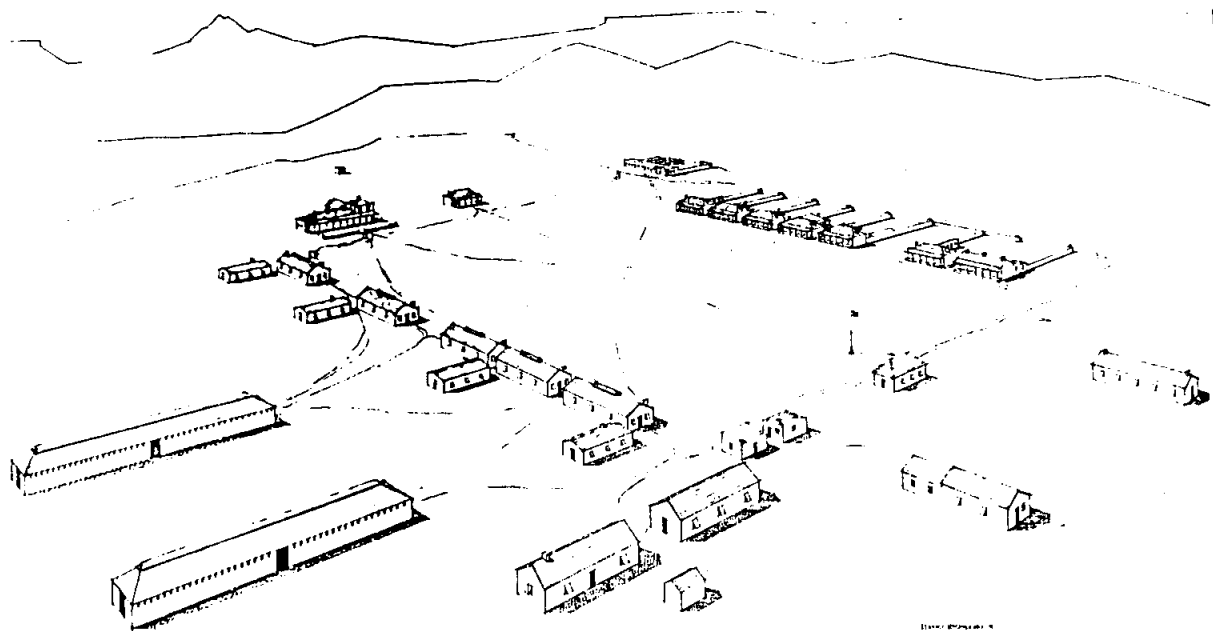


Figure 2

Figure 2 is a sketch of Fort Stockton circa 1880, drawn by Larry McSpedden, which appears in a Texas A & M Press book titled, "Texas Last Frontier" by Clayton W. Williams.

During the period 1850-1860 soldiers stationed at the frontier forts seemed to function largely as escorts and as authorities who responded to Indian depredations. The white civilian authorities during the same period attempted to make treaties, and to move the friendly Indians onto reservations set aside by the Texas Legislature in 1854.

In the 1860-1869 period the Civil War and Early Reconstruction left a vacuum of white authority. All the federal troops, and most of the Texas State Troopers were withdrawn from West Texas. Indians, disenchanted with reservation life, plus many that never accepted it, resumed their plundering ways.

The 1870-1880 period saw the return of federal troops to the forts of West Texas. Escort service was still a large part of their duty, but in addition many of them became involved in active campaigns to pursue and capture any Indians who were not on their assigned reservations.

The campaigns of Col. Ranald S. Mackenzie, Lt. Col. Wm. R. Shafter, Col. Nelson A. Miles, and Lt. Col. George P. Buell are stories in themselves. Suffice it to say, this harassment of Indians, together with the slaughter of the buffalo, greatly weakened the Indians and led to their accepting life on the reservations. One of the last large Indian groups to holdout was the Apache Indian chief, Victorio and his partner the Mescalero chief, Caballero. Together they commanded one hundred-fifty to two hundred warriors.

The last major campaign of the West Texas Indian War was mounted by Col. Benjamin H. Grierson during July and August 1880. This campaign drove the Indians commanded by Victorio across the Rio Grande River into the mountains of northern Mexico. The Mexican military authorities were alerted and on Oct. 14, 1880 Col. Joaquin Terrazas surprised and ambushed the Victorio band in the Tres Castillos mountains. In this engagement the Mexican troops killed Victorio and more than 60 of his warriors.

With the passing of the Apache menace, West Texas became relatively peaceful and need for a strong military presence diminished. Fort Stockton, as a military post, was permanently abandoned on June 30, 1886. However, surrounding the military post, a significant settlement had developed. The 1880 census reveals that more than 1500 civilians were living within a three mile radius of the post.

Since the camp was originally established to protect the mails going from San Antonio to El Paso it was logical for the military post to have a post office. The Camp Stockton post office was opened May 10, 1859, only four months after the post was laid out. It remained in operation until the Confederate forces abandoned the post in July, 1862.

After the Civil War, even before the federal troops returned to Comanche Springs, the postal service was authorized for this site on Jun. 7, 1867. It continued to be called the Camp Stockton post office until January 13, 1879, when the name was officially changed to Fort Stockton.

Figure 1 is a U-10, pen-cancelled, postal stationary envelope addressed to Frank Egan, District Attorney, San Antonio, Texas. In the upper left hand corner, the postmaster Frederick W. Green wrote, "Camp Stockton, July 22, 59".

Since recent evidence has revealed a number of known forgeries of Southwest forts, there was an initial doubt when this cover was first viewed by the author. However, by careful comparison with three of the known forgeries, it was concluded that the handwriting on this cover was unlike any on the bogus covers. Further support for the validity of this cover was discovered in the 1859 Texas Almanac, where Frank Egan, the addressee on this cover, is listed as District Attorney of Bexar County for 1859. It seems unlikely that anyone doctoring the item would be aware that Frank Egan was District Attorney in the year 1859.

At the time the cover shown in Figure 1 was posted, only two stage lines carried mail through West Texas to the Frontier forts. These were the Butterfield Overland Mail Line and the San Antonio-San Diego Mail Line, more commonly referred to as the Jack-Ass-Mail-Line. Since the Butterfield Line did not alter their route south to include Camp Stockton until August, 1859, we can conclude that this cover posted in July was carried into San Antonio by the Jack-Ass-Mail.

It is also significant to note that the current article is the first reported example of a Camp Stockton cover. Neither the new American Stampless Cover Catalogue, nor the Beal treatise on Military Markings list a marking for this West Texas post.

In concluding this article it seems appropriate to illustrate a cover from the early Fort Stockton post office. Figure 3 is an envelope posted circa 1880 from the settlement of Fort Stockton.

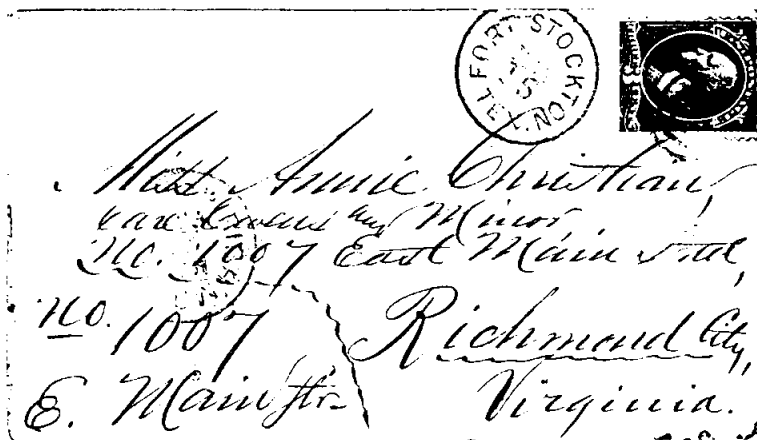


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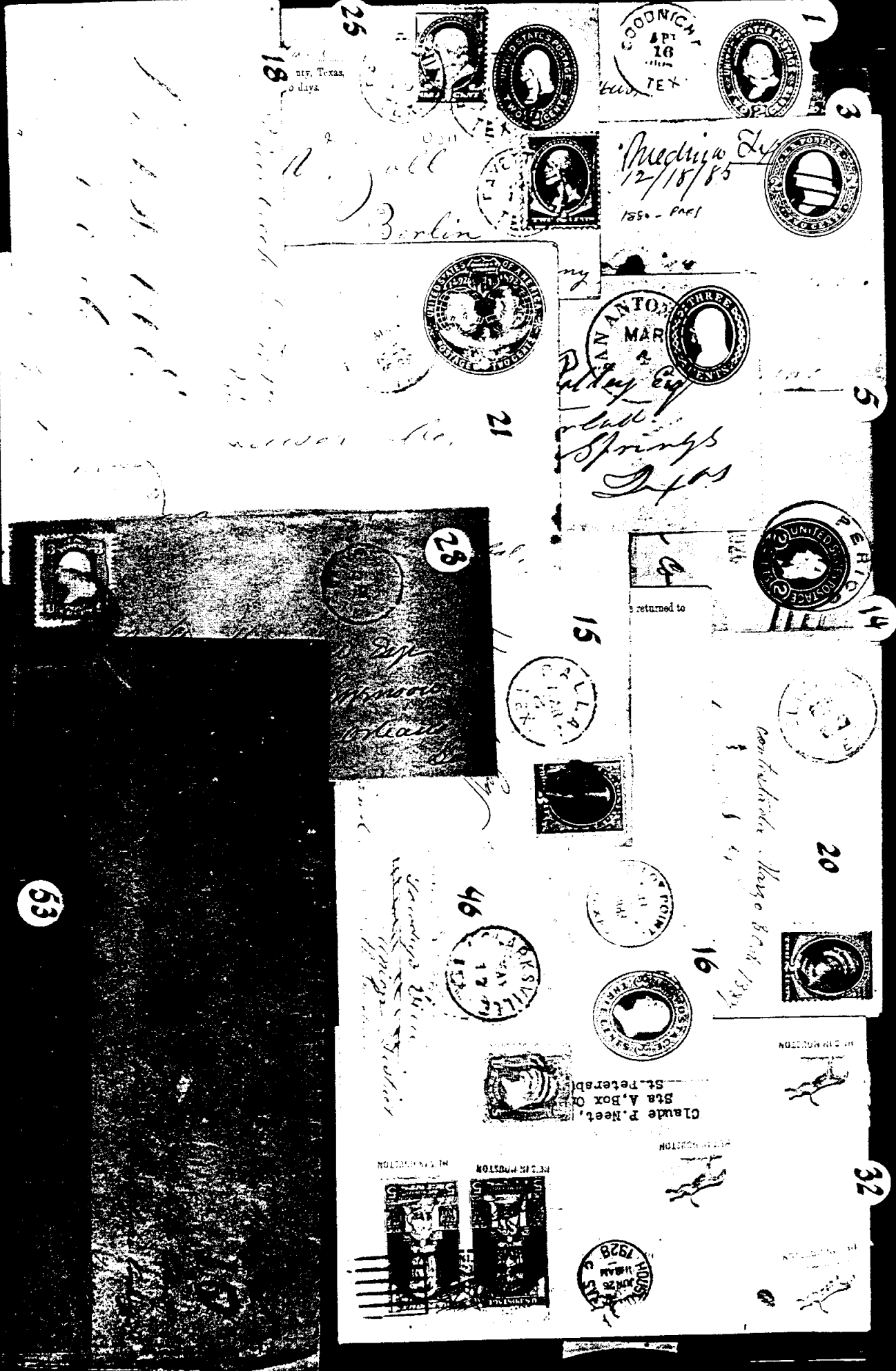
1. ARMSTRONG CO., GOODNIGHT DPO, U311, 1893, bcs w/target, slt. rough @ rt.....EV \$12.00 (P)
2. AUSTIN CO., WELCOME, postcard 300, 1906, bcs Doane No.1, F.....EV \$4.00
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4. BEE CO., SKIDMORE, #220, 1894, bcs w/target, cc well driller, damaged stp and corner @ LL off.....EV \$18-20.00 (P)
5. BEXAR CO., SAN ANTONIO, type U1 circ. 1855 bc balloon canc. 32 mm. small cover w/insignification, rough L side, attractive.....EV \$18-20.00 (P)
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8. CALLAHAN CO., VICKERY pc UX4, 1883, card is punched (repaired), lightly scuffed.....EV \$3.00
9. CASS CO., HUGHES SPRING U385, 1907, bcs w/cc, bs.....EV \$7.00
10. COCHRAN CO., EDWARDS type 331 on ppc, circa 1912, bcs., hole in card away from stp. and canc.....EV \$3.00
11. CORYELL CO., LEVITA DPO, ppc #331, 1912, bcs, nice card.....EV \$4.00
12. CORYELL CO., CAMP HOOD DPO, pc UX27, 1945, machine strike, few stains.....EV \$14.00 (P)
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16. DENTON CO., PILOT POINT, type U82, 1883, bcs w/fancy wheel of fortune c/canc. cover, VF.....EV \$10.00 (P)
17. DEWITT CO., ARNECKEVILLE DPO ppc #300, 1908 tied w/Doane, type 2.....EV \$6.00
18. DEWITT CO., PRICES CREEK dp, stampless dateline 1873 msript "Paid 3" dateline shows Irish Creek, interesting letter w/postal history of area, cover has top R cover off, scarce and historical.....EV \$20.00 (P)
19. ELLIS CO., ENNIS, type U82, dateline 1879 bcs, slt. ragged @ L, w/interesting enclosure.....EV \$12.00
20. EL PASO CO., ELIZARIO DPO, #210 circa 1887 bcs, 4 3/4" x 3 3/4". nice and scarce.....\$22.50
21. EL PASO CO., EL PASO U349, 1893 on Columbus issue, cc w/bc strike on front "San Francisco Box" VF.....EV \$10.00 (P)
22. EL PASO COUNTY, LA TUNA DPO, ppc 1956, Fed. correctional inst.....EV \$4.00
23. FALLS CO., HARLANVILLE DPO, type 248, 1900 w/Reagan bs, strike is lt., size 4 1/4 x 5 1/4", interesting correspondence.....EV \$4.00
24. FAYETTE CO., CISTERNA DPO, postcard 300, 1908 bcs, VF.....EV \$4.00
25. FAYETTE CO., FAYETTEVILLE type U311, 212, 213 on cover to Germany, 1887 bcs, very nice w/Ellinger and foreign back stps, VF.....EV \$22.00 (P)
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27. FRANKLIN CO., MOUNT VERNON, 279, 1900, to Oklahoma Terr., bcs, w/back stp., F.....EV \$10.00
28. GALVESTON CO., GALVESTON 88 tied 1868(?), bcd, neat cover w/blue merchants oval rubber stp., VF.....EV \$20.00 (P)
29. GILLESPIE CO., CHERRY SPRING DPO, postcard type 331, 1909, bcs, VF.....EV \$4.00
30. HALL CO., LODGE DPO 300 on ppc 1908 w/Memphis, Tx and Portales, N.M. transit w/bcs, few folds, but nice.....EV \$4.00
31. HARRIS CO., GOOSE CREEK 406 bcs 1921 nice cover, dead post office.....EV \$8.00
32. HARRIS CO., HOUSTON, pr. #628, 1928 tied w/machine "saves time" w/plane, w/kicking mule and "He's in Houston", neat cover.....EV \$50.00 (P)
33. HARRISON CO., MARSHALL U385, 1907, bcs w/cc "First National Bank" w/bs.....EV \$5.00
34. HASKELL CO., HASKELL pc UX12, 1897, w/Belton rec. card is punched and repaired.....EV \$3.00
35. HUNT CO., WOLFE CITY, U385, 1907, bcs w/cc, bs.....EV \$8.00
36. JONES CO., AVOCA #332, 1909, Doane 1(?), nice card.....EV \$10.00
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38. LEON CO., EVANSVILLE DPO, postcard type 331, 1909 bcs, nice card.....EV \$4.00
39. MASON CO., LOYAL VALLEY DPO, postcard, type 331, bcs 1909, F.....EV \$4.00
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42. NACOGDOCHES CO., NACOGDOCHES U385, 1907, bcs w/cc, bs.....EV \$5.00
43. PANOLA CO., CARTHAGE U385, 1907, bcs w/cc "The First National Bank" w/bs.....EV \$6.00
44. POLK CO., DALLARDSVILLE, dead post office 267, bcs 1901, w/bs, VF.....EV \$12.00
45. POTTER CO., AMARILLO, #219 circa 1890, bcs. small cover, 4 1/2 x 3 1/2", F.....EV \$15.00
46. RED RIVER CO., CLARKSVILLE, 65 circa, 1867, bcd., clean cover w/clear strike, VF.....EV \$15.00 (P)
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49. SHERMAN CO., STRATFORD, type 332, 1909 bcs. large star w/Southwestern Land and Townsite Co. cc, clean and attractive.....EV \$12.00
50. TERRY CO., GOMEZ, p.p.c, DPO, #300, 1909, bcs Doane #1(?), picture of stage w/supply wagon.....EV \$15.00
51. TERRY CO., GOMEZ DPO, type 331 on ppc, 1909, bcs light but ledgable canc.....EV \$4.00
52. TRAVIS CO., AUSTIN U9 circ. 1855, bc balloon 34mm diam., torn @ top w/o flap.....EV \$4.00
53. VICTORIA COUNTY, VICTORIA, stampless 1854, bcs w/large blue 10 over 5 also in blue, addressed to Seguin 8 x 3 1/2", legal, very unusual strike, VF.....EV \$80-100.00 (P)
54. WA D CO., GRANDFALLS, #301, 1903, bcs w/target, cc F.....EV \$5.00
55. WASHINGTON CO., BRENHAM, type U34, circa 1860, bcd w/blk mute, cover is damaged on rear.....\$6.00
56. WILBARGER CO., TOLBERT, DPO U311, w/stp. missing, 1894, bcs w/reg. #.....EV \$15-17.00
57. WILSON CO., STOCKDALE, U163, 1880, dateline, bcs w/target, envelope is split in two, enclosure 5 page w/interesting correspond.....EV \$15-17.00
58. WOOD CO., MINEOLA, U385, 1907, bcs w/corner card, w/bs.....EV \$6.00
59. WOOD CO., WINNSBORO U385, 1907, bcs, w/cc "First National Bank, Winnsboro, Tex".....EV \$5.00
60. Letter to Benjamin Harrison (1892), president of the U.S., recommendation that the president appoint J.M. Kindred of Amarillo to the position of U.S.Marshall, 3 pages, signed by J.A. Fink of Vernon, Texas, no envelope, historically int. & important.....EV \$18.00

LATE ARRIVALS

61. ARANSAS CO., FULTON DPO 1876, U45, w/date entered in bcs w/pencil, VF.....EV \$10.00
62. CAMERON CO., BROWNSVILL, U311, 1894, bcs, VF.....\$4.00
63. COLORADO CO., WEIMAR #158, tied w/lite bcs, circa 1893, w/cc "T. C. Cook, M.D.".....EV \$10.00
64. DENISON & DALLAS, H.P.O., Trip 2, 1949 #983, w/"First Trip" machine, 1949 w/cachet.....EV \$12.00
65. DEWITT CO., CUERO, U395 1905, bcs w/cc, VG.....EV \$4.00
66. HARRIS CO., HOUSTON, #250, 1895, bcs w/2 in slug, cc "E.M. Burke", Lime, Cement, etc, F.....EV \$8.00
67. LAVACA CO., OAKLAND U311, 1894, bcs, VF.....EV \$4.00
68. UVALDE CO., UVALDE #158, tied w/fancy cork, circa 1873.....EV \$12.00
69. ZAPATA CO., CARRIZO, DPO, pr. 219, bcs.....EV \$10.00
70. ZAPATA CO., ZAPATA #250, 1901 bcs, pin holes away from strike and stp.....EV \$8.00

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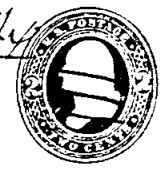
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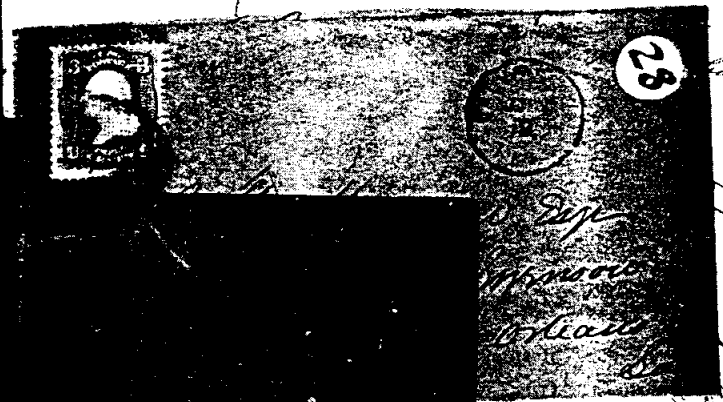


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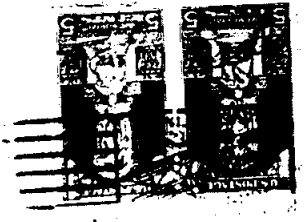
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