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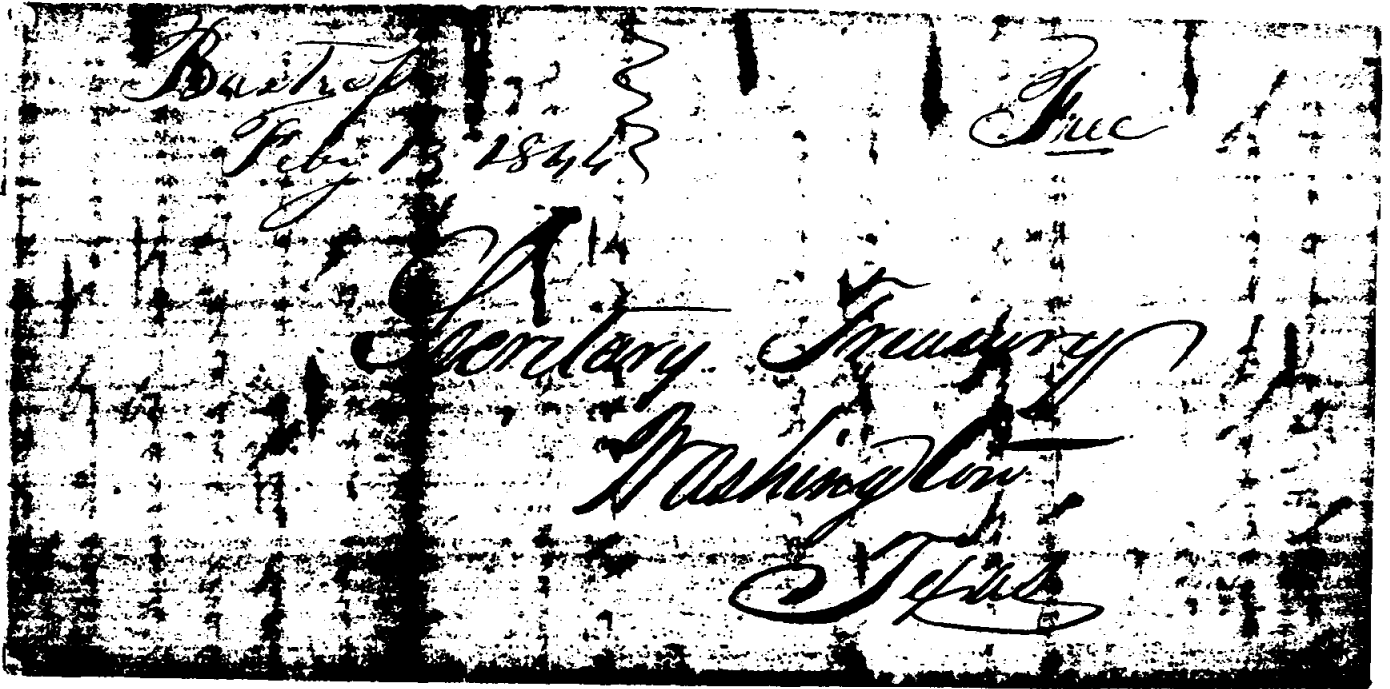


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On the cover this issue is an interesting Republic period cover from the Tax Collector of Bastrop County dated Feb. 13, 1844 and free. Addressed to the Secretary Treasury, Washington, Texas, its use was during the period that the Government of the Republic had been moved to Washington on the Brazos because of the Indian and Mexican threat to Austin.

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PRESIDENT'S PAGE

The annual meeting of the Texas Postal History Society was held at the Quality Inn South, in Austin, Texas on March 6, 1982. There were more than 30 persons who attended the meeting and heard the President of the American Philatelic Society, William Bauer, give a highly interesting and informative presentation on his prize winning exhibit of Colorado Postal History.

In the business portion of the meeting it was stated that increased cost of postage, print-int and production for the Postal History Journal would exceed the projected income of the T.P.H.S. for 1982. As the financial problem was discussed, several suggestions were advanced that might increase the organizations revenue. Among the suggestions given consideration were a campaign to enlarge membership, possible sale of advertising space in the Journal, reduction in pages printed, increased charges for back issues and mailing the Journal without cover. All these suggestions appeared to have merit, but in terms of revenue increase, appear to fall short of the organizations needs.

Jim Alexander moved to raise dues to \$7.00 per year beginning in 1983. The motion was seconded and following only brief discussion was passed without dissent.

A volunteer donation of \$200 was pledged to assure that our organization would not dip into the red for 1982.

In yet another suggestion to improve revenues, it was proposed that we institute a floor auction at our next annual meeting. This auction would be made up with a mixture of donation lots and commission lots. This proposal will be studied further and if supported by pledges of participation, will certainly become a part of our regular get-together.

Jim Alexander next proposed a motion to have the Texas Postal History Society join the Texas Philatelic Society as a study unit. Ed Richardson seconded the motion. Following a brief discussion, the motion was passed. With our acceptance into T.P.A., we will become Unit #3 of that group. Richard Spies spoke briefly to the need for each of the philatelic organizations within the state to support each other. In particular, there is need for greater attendance at local exhibitions, need for more persons to serve on exhibition committees, need for philatelists to exhibit their collections, and especially there is need for research and publication. Belonging is important; but the amount of time and talent members contribute to their organizations determines whether the group is vital, healthy,

growing or static, waiting, and ready to rest on its past achievements. Let us all do our part! Lets make the Texas Postal History Society the best in the nation.

This issue of the Journal renews the publication of our membership roster. I note that many members have no collecting interest listed. This may be due in part to poor record keeping. If so, I apologize. However, in other cases it was not given at the time of membership application. Secrecy may lessen the chance of burglary, but it does little to help bring new items into your collection, and it totally eliminates correspondents who might be seeking out materials to verify their research hypothesis. I would ask that you please examine the roster. If it needs additions or corrections, please drop me a card. I will see that any new additions received will be included in next years publication. As most of you are aware, TEXPEX-82, the annual convention of T.P.A., will be held in Lubbock, Texas on June 4-6, 1982 at the Civic Center. It promises to be a great show. Lets all go. Hope to see many of you there.

EDITOR'S COMMENTS

Included in this issue is the last of a series on the Postal History of Wharton County by Mrs. Norma Watz. This has been a most interesting and superbly written history and we thank Norma for her interest and cooperation in making our Journal a real source of information for our members. We also include a new list of members, and where known, their Philatelic interests. We all can take a bit of pride that our membership is now well over 100.

We need your articles, pictures, stories or help for future editions. Start now to write that article about that cover in your collection that you know will interest all of us.

THE SAN ANTONIO - EAGLE PASS MAIL ROUTE OF

1866

by William H.P. Emery

Re-establishment of the Postal service throughout Texas after the Civil War was slow and somewhat irregular. Problems created by the abrupt suspension of all Confederate military and civil authority left Texas in a state of near paralysis. From Governor Murrah, down to judges, sheriffs, and postmasters, all state officers and their activities were suspended. This confusion was compounded by the general fear of union troops occupying the state.

Union occupation of Texas began June 19, 1865, when General Gordon Granger arrived in Galveston. In the name of President Andrew Johnson, he proclaimed the authority of the United States over Texas. A little over a month later, on July 21, 1865, A.J. Hamilton arrived in Galveston with his appointment from President Johnson to be the provisional governor of Texas. The period following Governor Hamilton's arrival has often been designated by historians as The Reconstruction. It lasted a little less than nine years; from June 19, 1865 to January 17, 1874. For all concerned, Reconstruction was a difficult period.

Obviously, not only the citizens and businessmen of Texas were inconvenienced and irritated by the total absence of mail service, but also the work of the Provisional Government was severely hampered.

One of the early mail contracts let by the United Post Office Department within Texas was to August Santleben for the San Antonio - Eagle Pass Mail Route. This contract, awarded in January 1866, called for a round trip every six days. Equipment was prescribed as a mule drawn, three seated hack, capable of carrying six passengers and the mail.

Two covers carried on the San Antonio - Eagle Pass Mail Route during 1866 are illustrated in Figures 1 and 2. They are part of the same correspondence and fortunately contain dated enclosures. The first cover, carrying the enclosed dateline of March 8, 1866, is franked by a 3¢ Scott #65 stamp. It was carried out of San Antonio to Eagle Pass via the Santleben Stage Line. The pen cancellation of the stamp may be explained by the fact that the newly appointed postmaster of San Antonio, Sidney P. Gambie, had not received a stock-type circular handstamp from the postal service. Mr. Gambie had received his provisional appointment to be postmaster of the San Antonio office on January 23, 1866. However, it was not confirmed by Washington until six months later on July 27, 1866.

The second cover carries an enclosure reading "Eagle Pass June 13, 1866." The envelope is franked by a 3¢ stamp (Scott #65) which bears no evidence of having been cancelled. As with the San Antonio cover, it is doubtful if the new postmaster, Mr. L.J. Dresch, had time to acquire a circular town-cancelling device from the postal authorities. His appointment was not confirmed until March 8, 1866.

Unlike many postal history items that travelled obscure routes, have no dates attached, and lack enclosures, the two covers shown in this article come complete. They are dated, have enclosures, and since there was only one contractor carrying mail in this area of Texas, we are sure of the route they must have travelled. The story is further enhanced by the autobiography of August Santleben, who held the U.S. Mail contract for the San Antonio - Eagle Pass Mail Route from 1866-1868. In his book, he devotes one chapter to a detailed account of the route, the equipment used, difficulty of travel, and the times when these letters were written and mailed.

Santleben relates that the length of his route was one hundred sixty-two miles. In addition to the San Antonio and Eagle Pass post offices, his route also had him receiving and delivering mail to post offices at Castroville, New Fountain, D'Hanis, Sabinal and Uvalde.

He notes, "The road was always beset by many dangers, and I considered myself extremely fortunate after passing through them." On one of his trips westward from San Antonio in 1866, he drove into a camp about eighteen miles east of Eagle Pass. There he found nine Mexican carts standing by the roadside. The bodies of the drivers were scattered around where they had been killed--some of them scalped by the Indians. Santleben surmised the deed had been committed not more than three hours earlier, probably when the men stopped for dinner. He hastened on to report his gruesome discovery to the authorities in Eagle Pass.

Santleben relates a second experience involving Indians which occurred on another of his trips to Eagle Pass. The occasion was a celebration held by the citizens of Eagle Pass on July 4, 1866. The citizens had assembled in the abandoned U.S. Army Post called Fort Duncan, situated about half a mile south of town. After dancing and drinking most of the night, they emerged from the ball to discover all their animals had been quietly led away by the raiding Indians.


The letters contained in these two covers also give an interesting historical insight into one of the little understood phases of the early Texas Reconstruction.....the cotton trade.

During the break-up of the Confederacy, there were numerous and regular desertions of Texas troops from their units. This, together with total disbanding of certain units, created mobs of undisciplined soldiers headed back to their homes. On their way, they took possession of government stores, sacked them and carried off everything that was portable. Very little that was public property remained to be confiscated by the time the Union troops occupied the state. The one exception was baled cotton. It was too heavy to carry and too bulky to hide. Some of the cotton belonged to the State of Texas, some to the Confederacy, some to private businessmen, and some to plantation owners. Identifying and proving positive ownership was at best difficult. Treasury agents, backed by Union Army troops, held the upper hand in cases of questionable ownership. Everyone who held cotton was anxious to get it to market to collect the extremely high prices it commanded.

General Grant gave orders to the Federal commanders in the Southwest not to interfere with the shipment of cotton but to facilitate in every way they could its shipment to New Orleans or New York. There was, however, wide spread fraud, robbery and extortion by Treasury Agents and military personnel in Texas. Many holders of cotton sought to circumvent the red-tape and possible extortion by shipping their cotton across the border into Mexico.

From the content of the letters enclosed in the two covers shown (Fig. 3), it is evident that both the recipient and the writer were involved in this cotton trade. The San Antonio - Eagle Pass Mail Route of 1866 must have greatly facilitated and coordinated their cotton transactions.

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James Lincoln Esq

San Antonio
1866

Eager Pass

Figure 1



James Lincoln Esq.

Care of R. Wulping. Esq

of }
Moses }
San Antonio, Texas

Figure 2

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Figure 3

Mr James Lincoln Eagle Pass June 13th 1866
San Antonio

Dear Sir!

Your favor 10th inst has duly come
to hand & contents noted.

You can be assured that your instructions herein shall
be strictly & carefully complied with.

I have this day passed the late Bate's Irons de la
Garcia assigned to Messrs Branch, Schonfeld & Co
Galtillor

Yours truly
George Endick

Excerpt from

THE POSTAL HISTORY OF WHARTON COUNTY

by Norma Watz

Embracing a territory of three or four square miles, a little community called "Lawson's Corner" developed during the 1850's deep in the heart of "peach and cane land." When Charles Kriegel, a native of Germany, moved from Montgomery County in 1896, he leased the general store owned by Dick Lawson and named it "Kriegel's Store." A post office was established and Charles Kriegel was appointed Postmaster March 2, 1899. Mail was picked up in Wharton twice a week until the railroad was built.

When Kriegel retired in 1910, Gerard Harrison had the post office moved to the Harrison store and renamed it "Burr" in honor of his father, Burr Harrison, a native of Virginia who had settled in the area in 1859, purchasing land at \$40 an acre in gold. Gerard Harrison was appointed Postmaster of Burr May 17, 1910, and mail was discontinued February 28, 1918.

Easter greeting postcard bearing stamp Scott 331 shows cancellation at Kriegel March 19, 1910. Message written in German is evidence of the settlement of many German families in the area. (See Illustration--Kriegel)

Card with Burr postmark of April 11, 1911, bears Scott 374, typed with single lined letter watermark which the Bureau began using on or about November 1, 1910. (See Illustration--Burr) The old Harrison store building at Burr remains in the Lawson-Kriegel area. In its time, the Harrison store was larger than any general store in Wharton County.

Mrs. Burr Harrison, the former Mary Rebecca Bolling, was a descendant of Pocahontas through the Bollings of Petersburg, Virginia. The town of Bolling was named in her honor in April, 1903. One "l" was dropped from the name and the accepted spelling became "Boling", where a post office was established in 1926, which remains active. (See Illustration--Boling)

Spanish Camp came into being in the early days of Stephen F. Austin's Colony, and was named in 1836 after Santa Anna's Army camped at the sulphur springs on Peach Creek. It is believed that the Mexican Army was led by General Vicente Filisola, and legend has it that he was carrying a large payroll of gold, and when word reached him of the decisive battle of San Jacinto, he buried his gold and guns nearby.

Thomas Habermacher was appointed the first Postmaster of Spanish Camp March 9, 1877. Habermacher also established a store, cotton gin, and sawmill. Following him, the following served as Postmasters: Henry Compton, W.W. Lipscomb, Jonathan West, and Lawrence Browne. Mail was discontinued April 6, 1905.

Near Spanish Camp, Sorella came into existence, with a Post Office established April 7, 1894. Zenos Smith was the first and last Postmaster since mail was discontinued August 21, 1897.

In 1824, land located about six miles northwest of the townsite of Wharton was granted to Robert Kuykendall and William Kincheloe. In 1828, a portion was granted to Stephen F. Austin. Plantations flourished - producing sugar cane, cotton, potatoes and tomatoes commercially. It was not until the years between the end of the Civil War and 1890, however, that this area was established as a townsite. William Hood, a Scotsman who came to

Texas in 1879, named it "Glen Flora." (NOTE: In the Jim Wheat study, Glen Flora is listed as Glenflora.) Benjamin W. Martin was appointed Postmaster on August 2, 1900. The Glen Flora Post Office remains active and is located in a quaint little frame building which is very popular with writers and photographers.

A cluster of seven Post Offices were established in the remote northwest corner of Wharton County, as follows: Round Mott (1888-1890), Goldenrod (1895-1910), Colburn (1895-1909), Lost Prong (1896-1900), Pocket (1897-1899), Hahn (1897-1929), Sandies (1908-1914). Pocket was originally called "Devil's Pocket." (NOTE: In the Jim Wheat study, Sandies is listed as Sanders.)

Most of the settlers in this area were Northern wheat farmers who developed rice farming into a major industry. The Provident Land Company of Kansas City, Missouri, promoted land sales and eventually 500 families from the Middle West arrived to claim the five and ten acre tracts they had bought sight-unseen. "The Homefinder" newspaper, published in Kansas City, advertised five-room houses for \$365, but they were never built because there was no railroad on which to ship them.

Danevang, located about ten miles south of El Campo, began in 1894 by Danish immigrants. Herman P. Hermansen was appointed Postmaster July 23, 1895, and he was followed by Peter J. Petersen, Erna F. Hester, Luther F. Hardin, Otto Harton, Mrs. Otto Harton, and Mary Jean Nielsen, current Postmaster.

Newgulf, the last of 40 U.S. Post Offices to be established in the County, primarily serves as a supply point for Texas Gulf Sulphur Company. (Only a small portion of the total 40 has been presented in these excerpts.) William J. O'Rourke was the first Newgulf Postmaster, being appointed October 25, 1928. Service continues to date.

The use of postage meter machines in the County was begun in the 1930's. Card (See Illustration) with message of Jury Notice depicts Pitney-Bowes marking dated June 7, 1939, as well as a Bonus Post Office receiving mark dated June 8, 1939.

Mail service in Wharton County improved greatly after the railroads were built. The idea of a railway car for sorting mail originated around 1863; on October 14, 1967, mail was sorted on Texas railway postal cars for the last time.

Zip Code began when the United States was divided into 10 geographical areas, with each given a number between "0" and "9" -- Texas became a "7". Because of favorable transportation facilities, key post offices in each area were designated as "Section Centers" to receive and transmit mail moving between post offices within its section. It also receives and transmits all mail moving into or out of the section. Houston "774" was the Section Center designated to serve Wharton County's 13 active post offices with assigned numbers as follows: (All 774)

| | | | | | |
|--------------|----|------------|----|---------|----|
| Boling | 20 | Glen Flora | 43 | Newgulf | 62 |
| Danevang | 32 | Hungerford | 48 | Pierce | 67 |
| East Bernard | 35 | Lane City | 53 | Wharton | 88 |
| Egypt | 36 | Lissie | 54 | | |
| El Campo | 37 | Louise | 55 | | |

"Mr. Zip" may become the largest postal cipher in the world as extra digits are added to allow for greater automation, as optical character reading machines scan the code and pass letters to other machines which print the code in bar form on the envelope.

CONCLUSION

A correlation of agriculture, rural schools, small family stores, and post offices shows the trend of "fewer" replaced by "larger" -- with resulting vast mechanization, area consolidation, long distance busing, supermarket conglomerates, and "postal centers." The writer believes each person's individualism is a priceless heritage. Our postal history reflects in a clear manner the individual formation and development or decline, of our villages and towns. The small post offices which remain are an endangered species.

We cannot return to the days of fancy cork cancellations or the Pony Express. Neither can we allow the changing needs of government and the times to jeopardize our heritage. Our roots must remain.

End of Series

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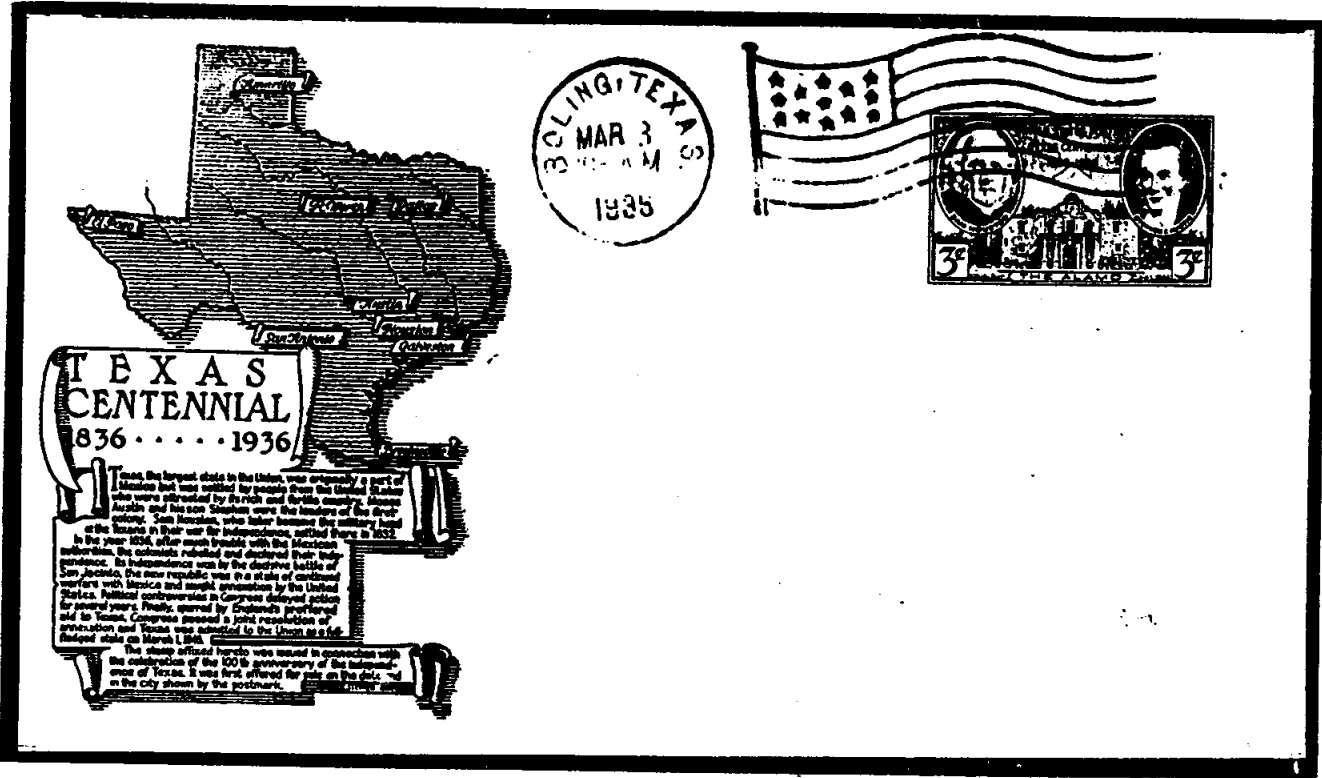


Illustration #3 - Boling

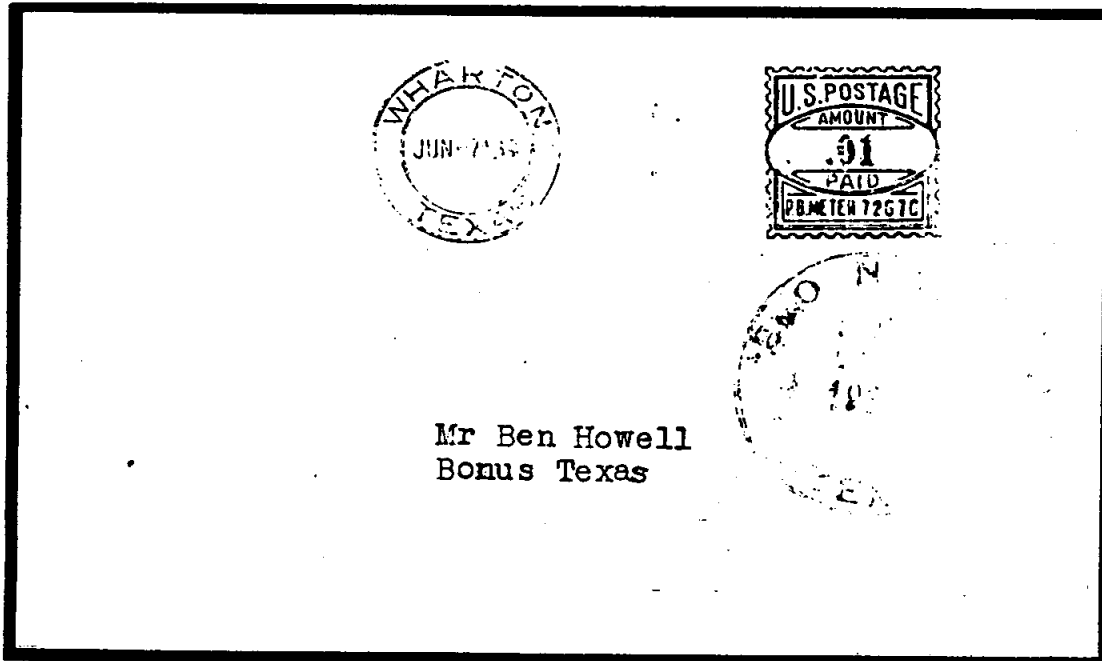


Illustration #4 - Wharton-Bonus

POSTSCRIPT

Items and checklists which may be of interest to those researching Texas in general are listed below:

1) Ships Carrying Mail (Includes steamships, packets, and schooners)

"Columbia" - steam packet (1838)
"Correo"
"Cuba"
"David Crockett" - 1838
"Dolphin" - 1836
"Fanny"
"Flash" - Morgan Line steam packet
"Flying Jenny" - 1854-1860
"Galveston" - Steamship
"Horatio"
"Kate Ward" - 1846
"Laura" - 1837 - said to be first to reach Houston
"Lively" - 1821 - a 30-ton schooner
"Magnolia" - Steamship
"Moccasin Belle" - 1854-1860
"Neptune"
"New York" - 1839 - steam packet
"Only Son" - 1822
"Sam Houston"
"Savannah"
"Swan" - part of Galveston, Liberty-Beaumont-Crockett-Cold Springs route)
"Yellowstone"

(NOTE: DOES ANYONE
KNOW OF
OTHERS?)

2) Express Companies Carrying Mail (Over 30 thought to have existed)

Adams Express Company
Adams, Warren
Bingham Express
Black Express
Butterfield Express
Cushing Express (E.H. Cushing Operator & Editor, "Houston Telegraph" newspaper
Eastern Pony Express (started November 1836)
Edey, Arthur
Giddings, George H.
Good Stage Line (started 2-26-1859)
Hart Express
Jones Express
Jones New Orleans and Texas Express
Kyle's Texas Express Company
Pony Express
Southern Express Company

(NOTE: DOES ANYONE
KNOW OF
OTHERS?)

POSTSCRIPT - Continued

3) DATE DIFFERENTIALS

"Scott Specialized" lists Texas Statehood Date as December 29, 1845.

"Texas Almanac" lists both December 29, 1845, and February 19, 1846, reading as follows:

"On December 29, 1845, the Congress of the United States had accepted the new State Constitution of Texas, and this date was declared the legal date of annexation. While this may be considered the 'de jure' date, the 'de facto' date was February 19, 1846, when the Lone Star Flag was lowered and the Stars & Stripes raised over the Capitol at Austin, as President Anson Jones retired in favor of Governor J. Pinckney Henderson."

4) NEW BOOKS OF INTEREST

"Texas Almanac 1982-83" - \$4.95 - published by A.H. Belo Corporation, Dallas, Texas. Considered the "encyclopedia of Texas" -- includes the latest census data -- lists 44 books about Texas. 640 pages, Paperback.

"Eyes of Texas Travel Guide, Gulf Coast Edition" - \$7.95 - by Ray Miller, published by Cordovan Corporation, Houston, Texas. Pictures and history about Stephen F. Austin, Sam Houston, William Barrett Travis, etc. Home built in 1837 by Samuel May Williams, the 1826 Postmaster, shown. Peach Point Plantation, home of James F. Perry and wife, built in 1832, pictured. (Mrs. Perry was the sister of Stephen F. Austin.) Old Wharton mansion at 219 Burleson where movie was filmed was home of Wharton Postmaster and County Treasurer, Fritz W. Ahldag. Matagorda Post Office (Republic era) building featured also as well as many others. Lots of maps. An interesting and entertaining book for just about everyone. 203 pages, Paperback.

5) Since the historical background of Wharton County overlaps portions of Jackson, Colorado, Matagorda and Brazoria Counties, I will be glad to assist anyone doing an indepth study of any one of these Counties. Write: Mrs. Norma Watz, 920 Empire Street, El Campo, Texas, 77437.

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