

The Columbia Postal Supply Company of Silver Creek, NY produced machines which made a variety of postal markings beginning in late 1899. The first recorded use of a Columbia machine in North Carolina was in Charlotte on September 21, 1901. The latest known was from Saluda in 1947. By 1925, 45 different cities had used the Columbia machine and 60 varieties have been recorded. Six different dials and 8 different cancels were used by 1920.



Charlotte, NC, September 21, 1901
Type A1 postmark dial, type 2 cancellation (7 bar).
First recorded use of this machine within the state.



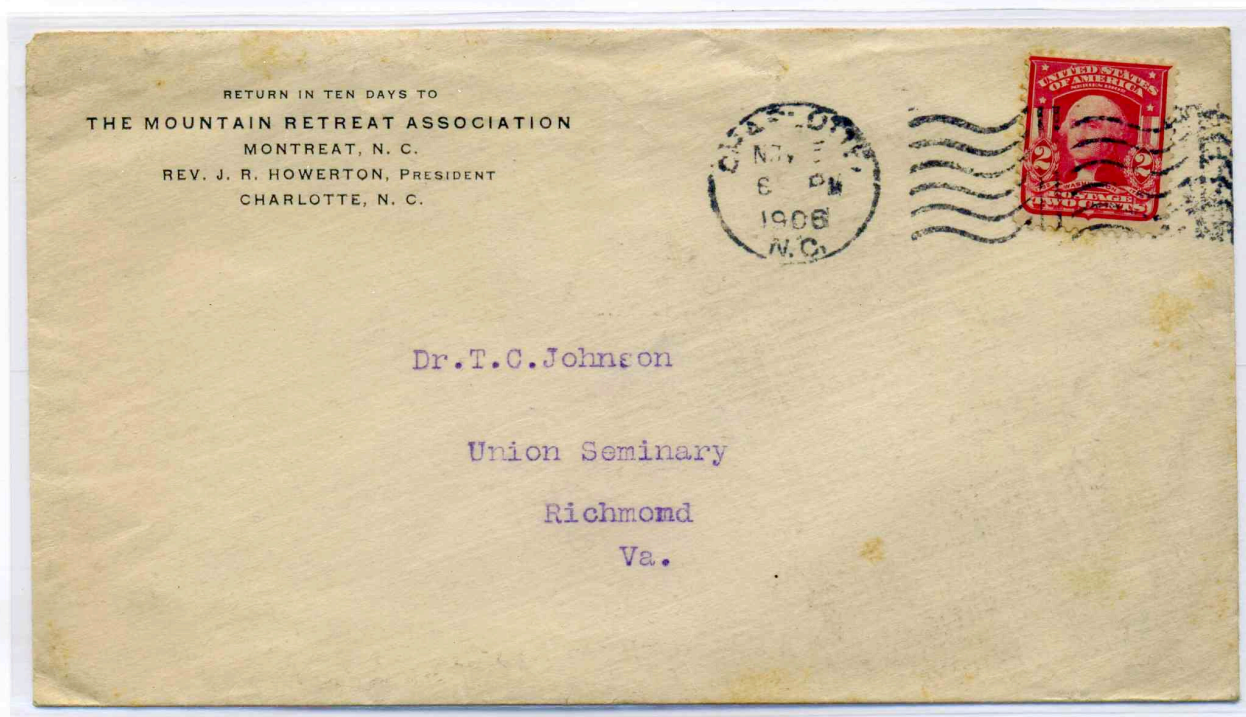
Charlotte, NC, May 5, 1903

Type A dial, Type G-1 cancel. 6 curvy line and 2 sets of 2 vertical lines.
Used in Charlotte from January 1903 until December 1906.

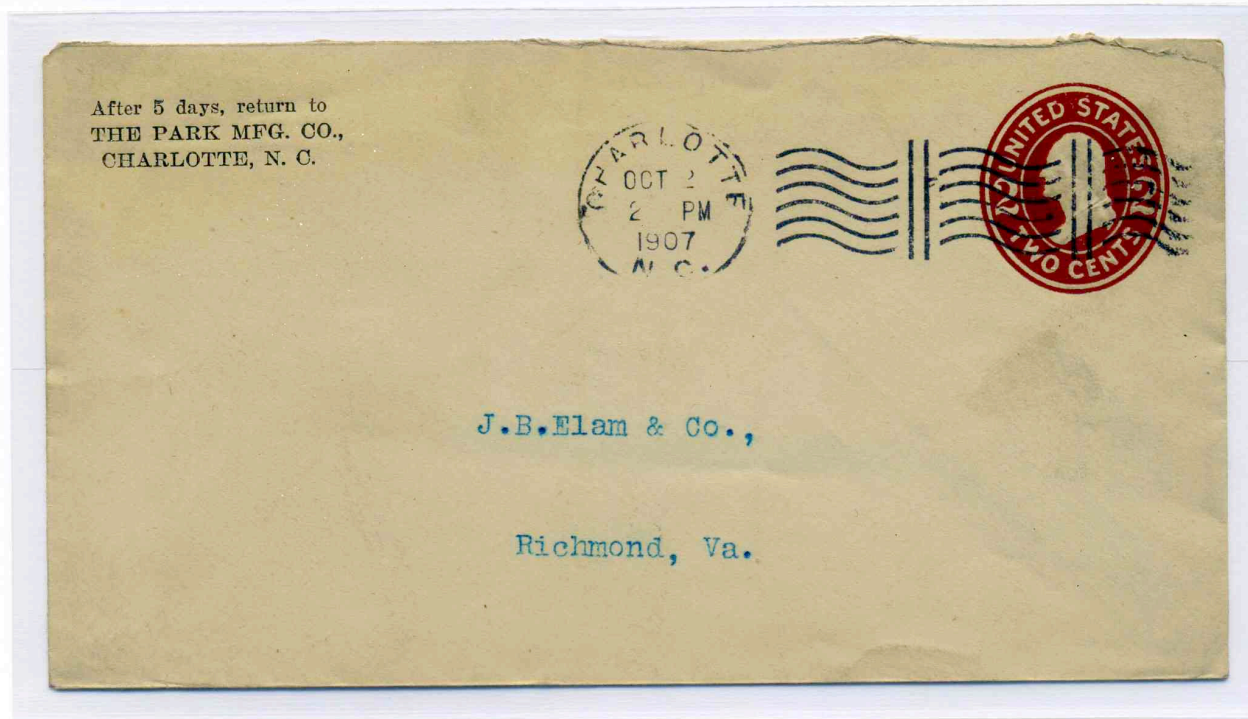


Charlotte, NC, December 3, 1904

Type A dial, Type G-1 cancel.



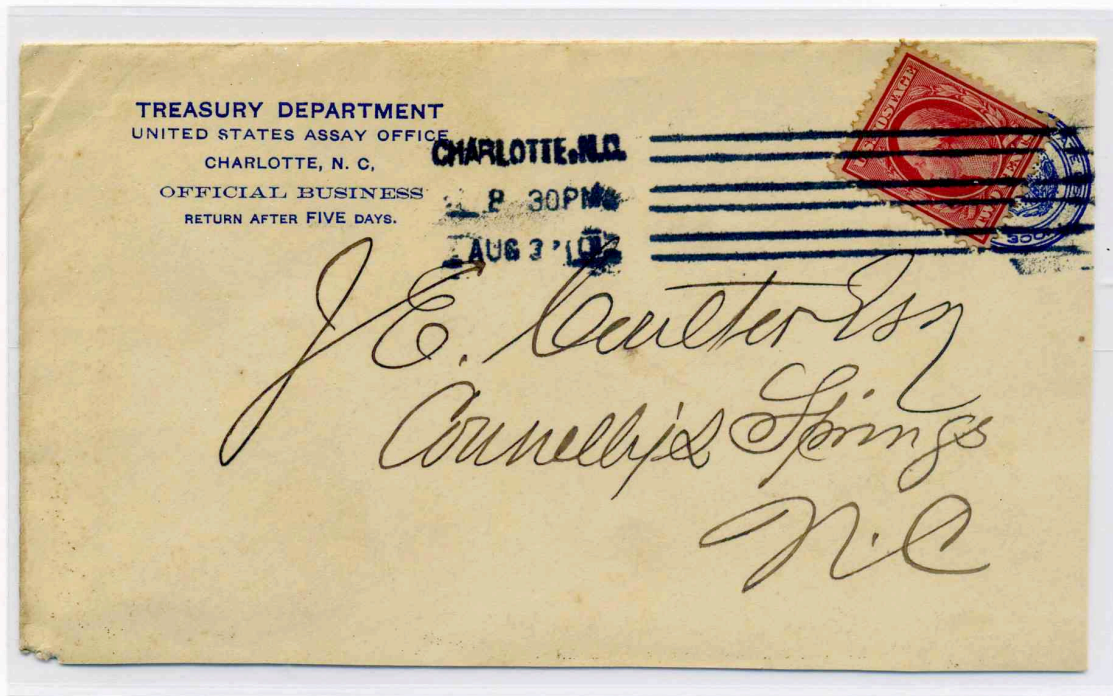
Charlotte, NC, November 6, 1906
Type A dial, Type G-1 cancel.



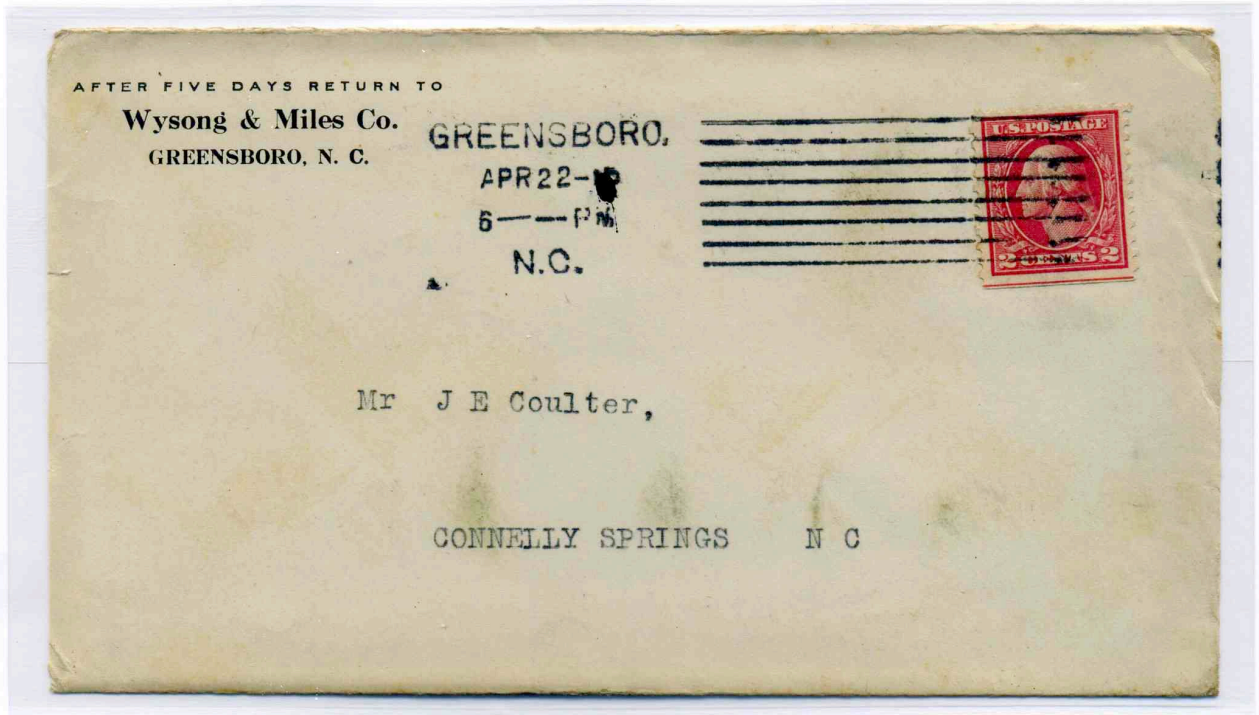
Charlotte, NC, October 2, 1907
Type A dial, Type G cancel.
Six smaller wavy lines between 2 vertical bars.
This cancel was used in Charlotte from November 1906 until June 1908.



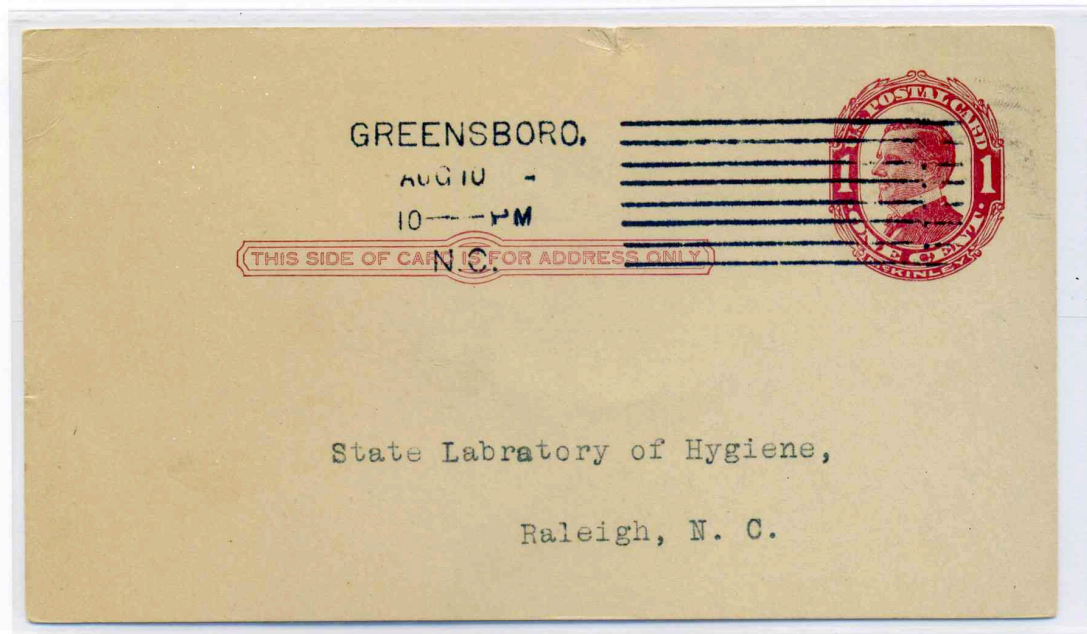
Charlotte, NC, September 30, 1909
Type J rectilinear postmark, Type 6 P cancel.
Used from October 1908 until August 1910.



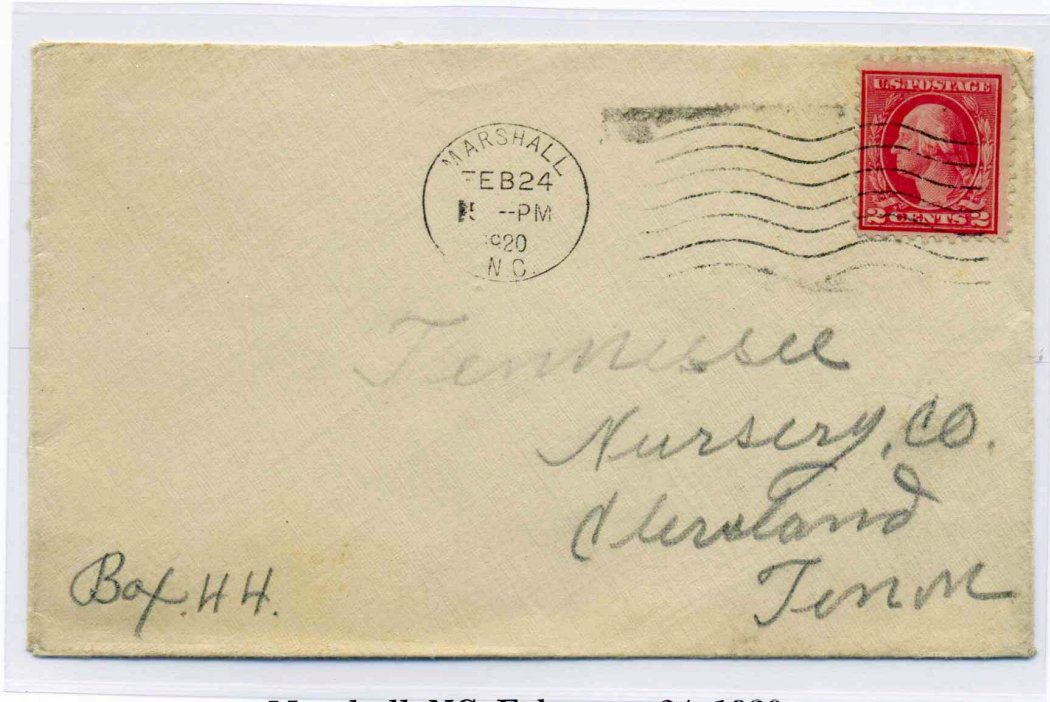
Charlotte, NC, August 3, 1910
Type J rectilinear postmark, Type 6 P cancel.



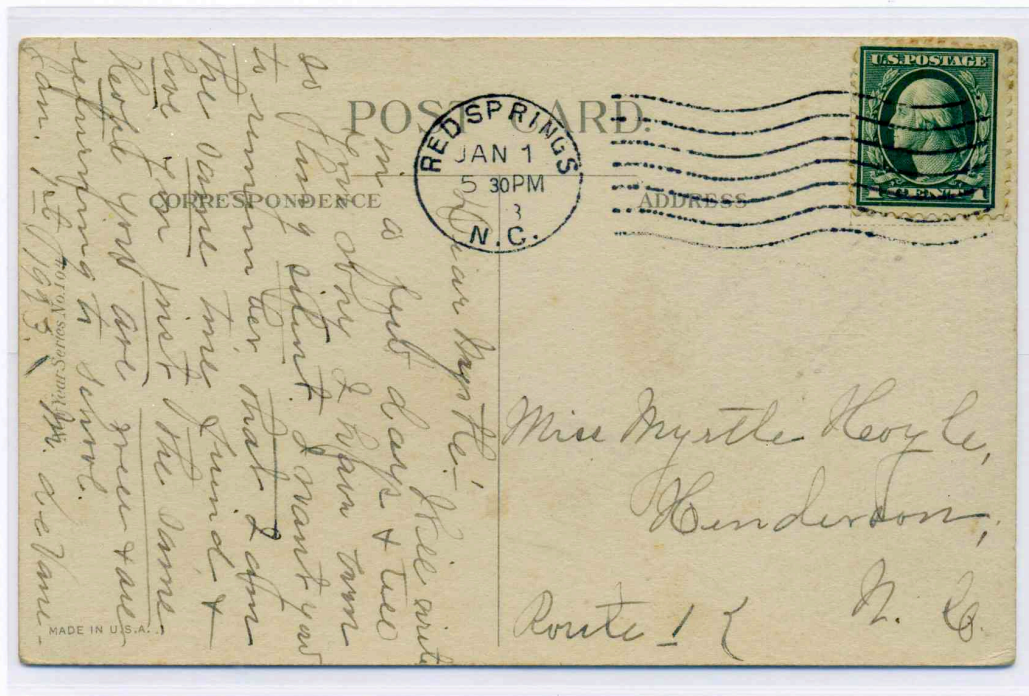
Greensboro, NC, April 22, 1913
Type K four line rectilinear postmark, Type 8 eight bar cancel.
Used from 1912 to 1918.



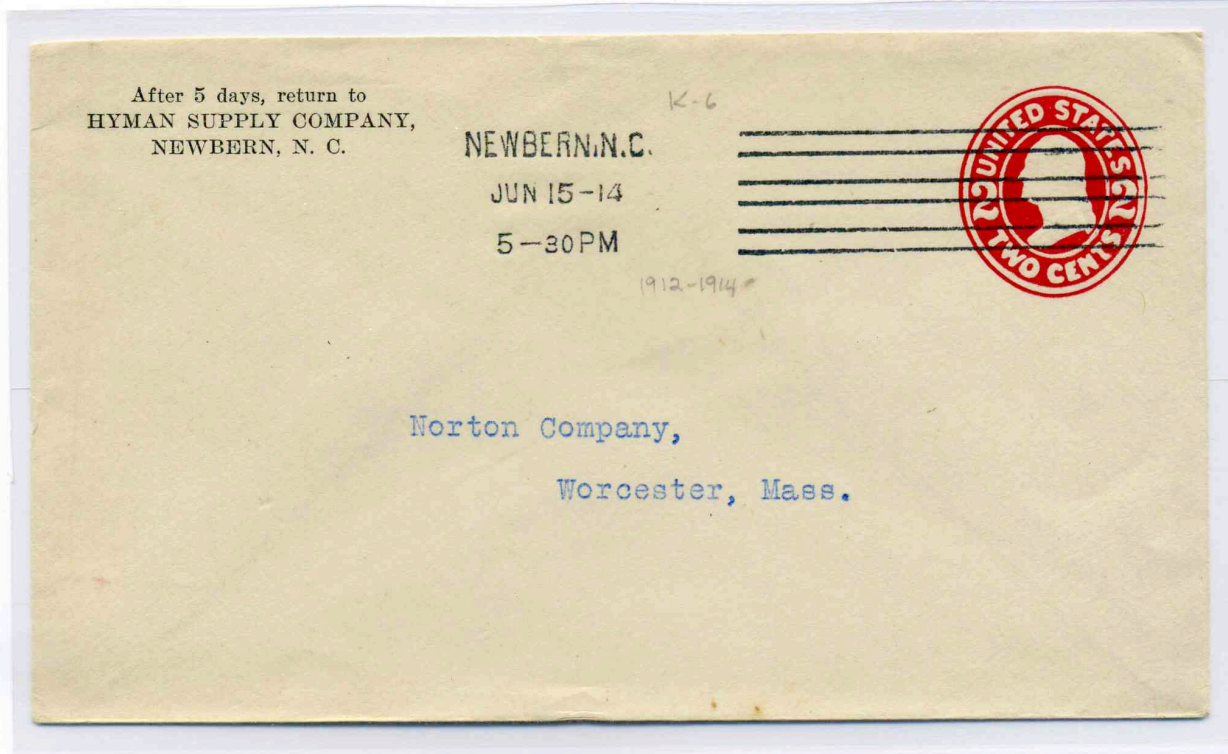
Greensboro, NC, August 10
Type K four line rectilinear postmark, Type 8 cancel.
Missing year date.



Marshall, NC, February 24, 1920
Type G postmark, Type 2 W cancel. Used from 1920 until 1922.

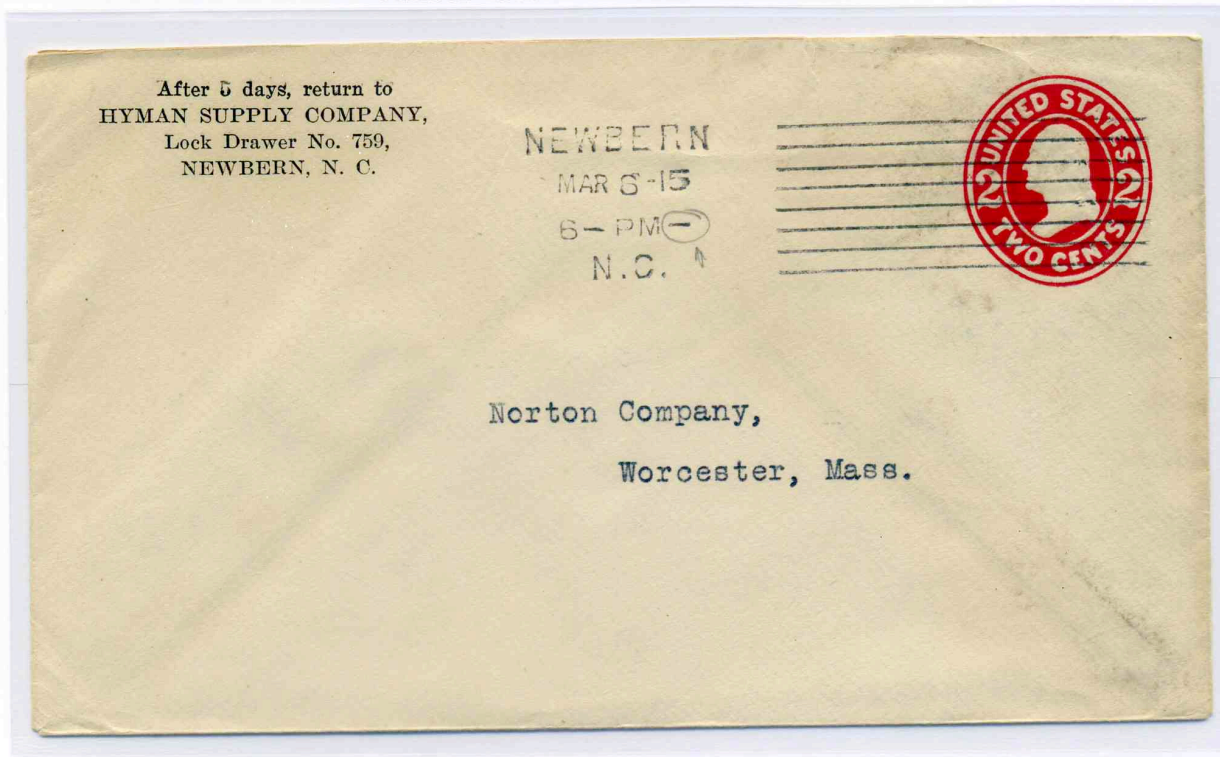


Red Springs, NC, January 1, 1908
Type G postmark, Type 1 WT wavy bars cancel.
Only recorded example of this marking.



New Bern, NC, June 15, 1914

Type J 1, three line rectilinear postmark, Type 6 P six bar in three pairs.
Cancel used from 1911 until 1914.

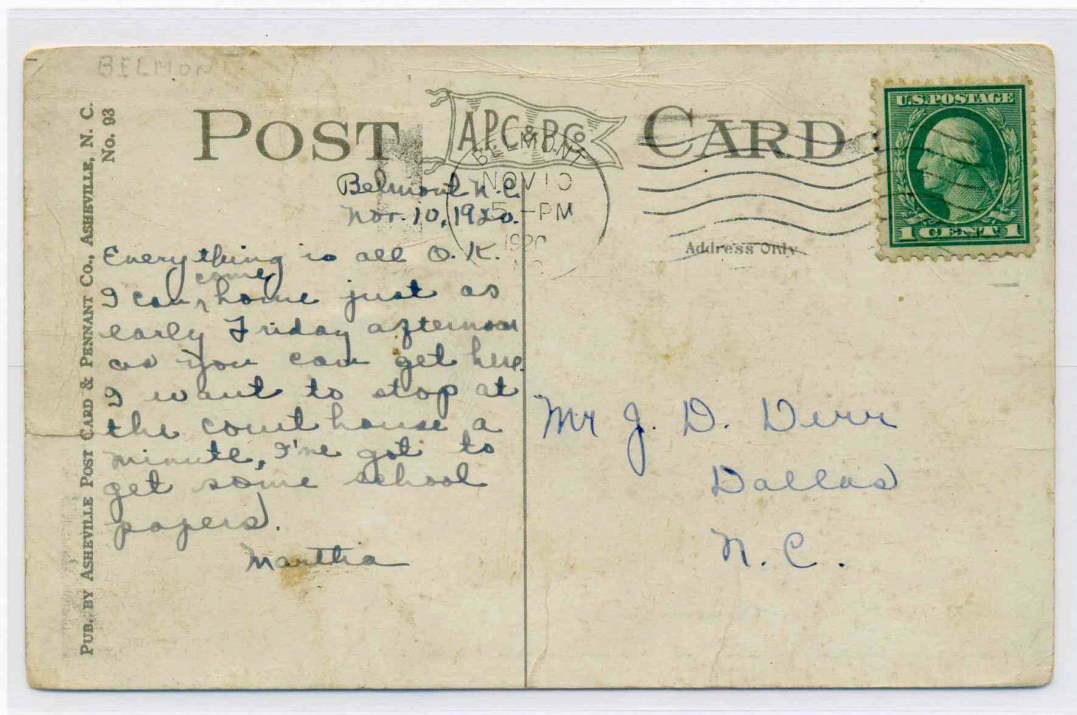


New Bern, NC, March 6, 1915

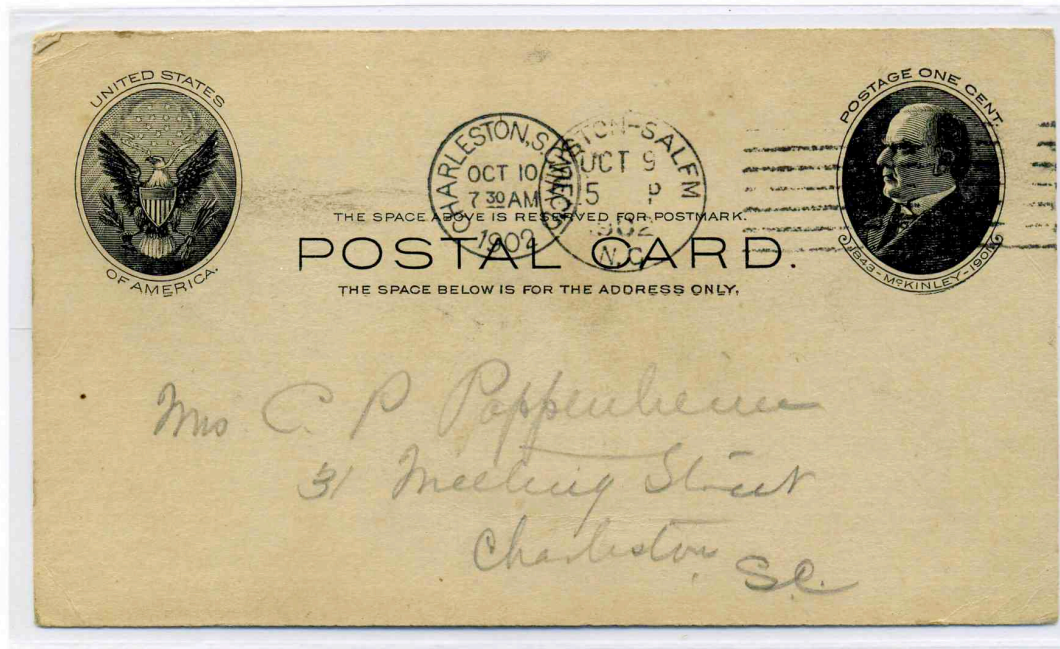
Type K 1, four line rectilinear postmark, Type 8 eight bar cancel.
Used from 1914 until 1917.



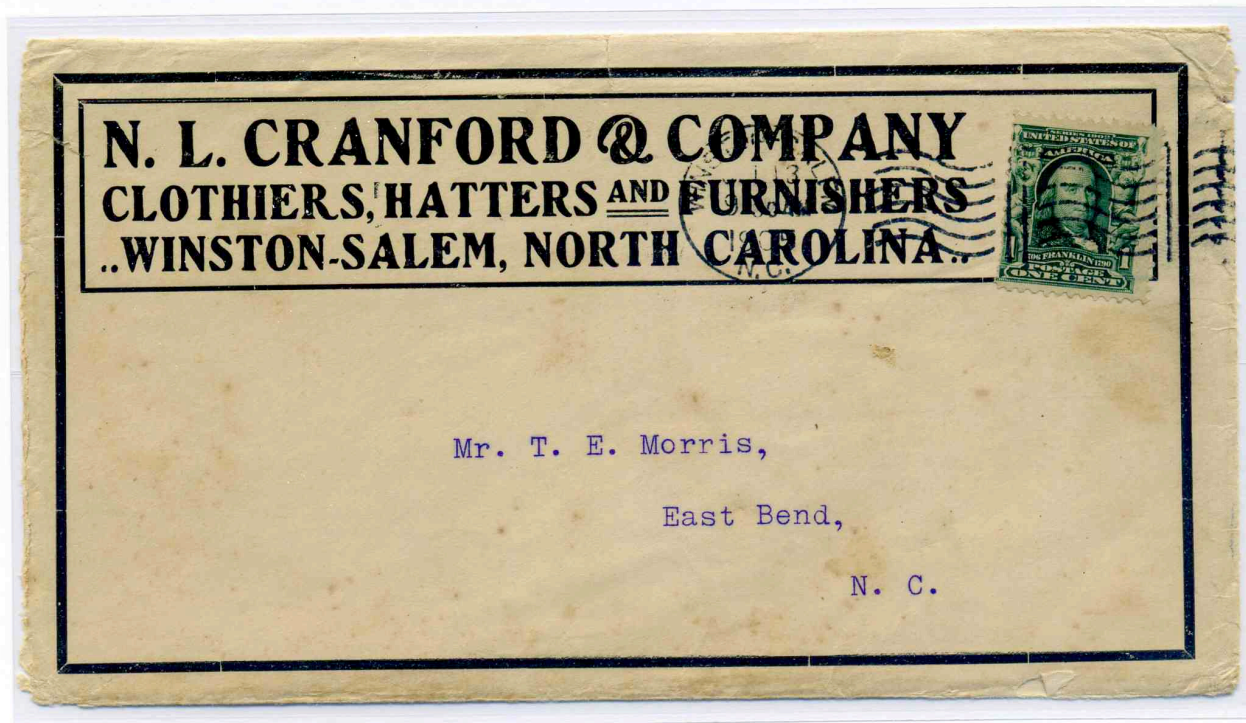
Waynesville, NC, September 21, 1920
 Type G postmark, Type 1 WT 7 bar wavy thin line cancel.
 Used from 1918 until 1922.



Belmont, NC, November 10, 1920
 Type G postmark, Type 2 WT 7 bar wavy lines.
 Used from 1920 until 1925.



Winston Salem, NC, October 9, 1902
Type A postmark, Type 2 7 bar cancel. Used from 1902 until 1903.



Winston Salem, NC, July 13, 1905
Type A-1 postmark, Type G wavy lines and bars cancel.
Used from 1903 until 1910.