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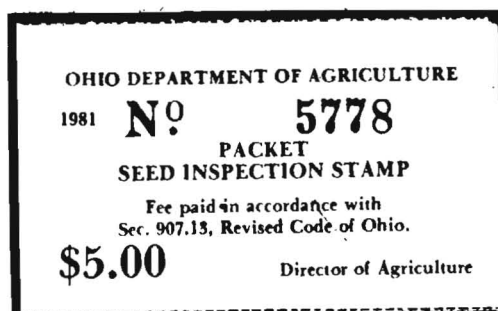
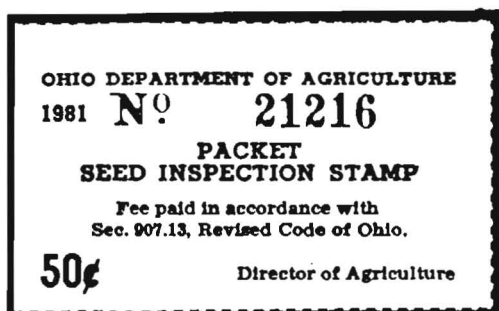
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AN OHIO MISCELLANY

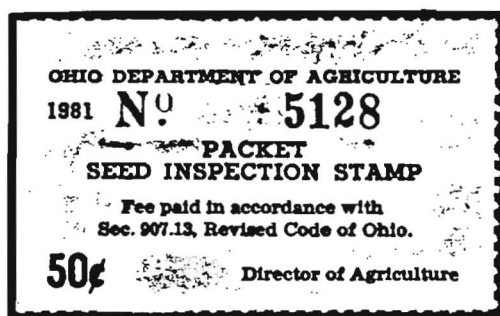
by Dr. John Cahoon, Glen J. Morton
and Theodore Pinas

These three gentlemen have provided a wide-ranging selection of Ohio material for the enlightenment of the membership.

Ted Pinas continues his annual ritual providing examples of the 1980 Ohio Seed Inspection Stamps. The 50¢ value appears on a light green paper with black printing and the \$5.00 value is on light blue paper, again with black printing.



Glen J. Morton provides a copy of the 1981 50¢ Seed Inspection Stamp. The current issue is on a cream colored paper with black printing.



The 1981 \$5.00 value appears on pink paper; the examples below being all the more interesting for their presence on a manilla tag briefly outlining the appropriate state regulation. The seed inspection fee is applicable to vegetable seeds only; flower seeds being excluded.

STATE LAW

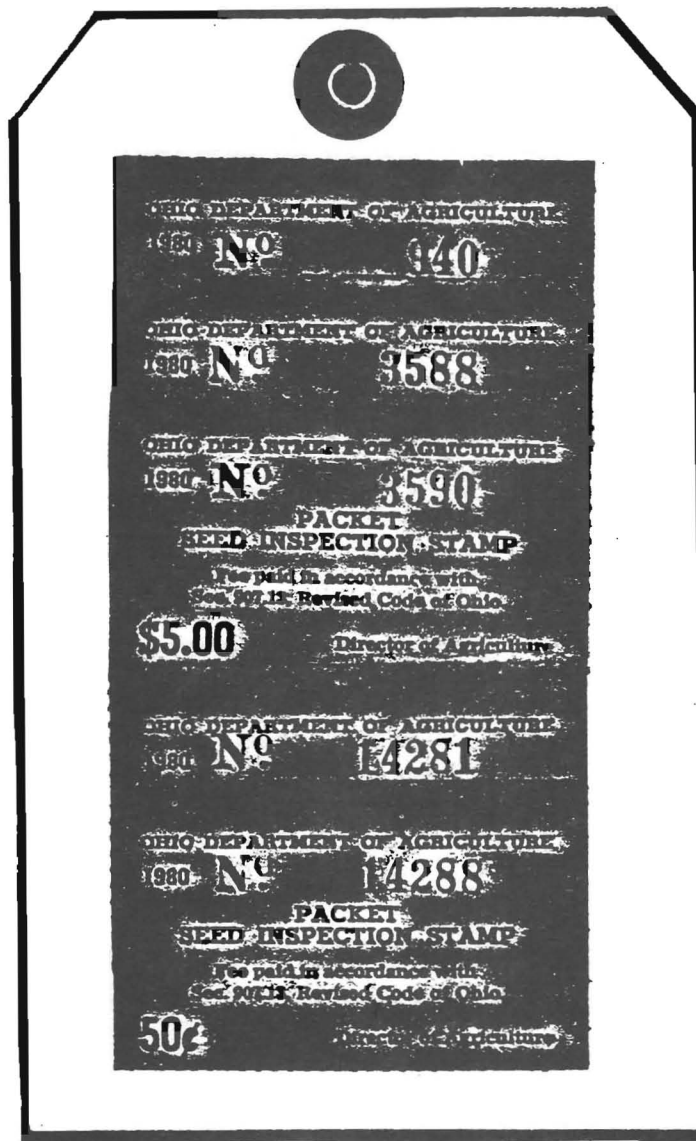
Requires that the stamps, stickers or statement that are on this tag be placed in a prominent position on your seed display.

FERRY-MORSE SEED COMPANY


OHIO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	
1981 NO	10789
PACKET SEED INSPECTION	
STATEMENT OF AGRICULTURE	
1981 NO	10790

OHIO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	
1981 NO	10787
PACKET SEED INSPECTION STAMP	
Fee paid in accordance with Sec. 907.13, Revised Code of Ohio.	
\$5.00	Director of Agriculture

Another example on tag features the two 1980 values (six 50¢ stamps are affixed to the reverse side). Mr. Morton notes these stamps came un-gummed. He has seen stamps stapled to cards and on other occasions the stamps were held in place by paper clips. This tag came from a revolving "tree" of seeds typically seen in supermarkets or discount stores. In other places where smaller cardboard containers were used they have been glued to the sides of the box.



The following card was used as a receipt to indicate payment of the Highway Use Tax for a White Semi-Tractor. The reverse side contains instructions for affixing an accompanying windshield identification device.

		STATE OF OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION HIGHWAY USE TAX		RESERVED FROM BUT 2	
		HIGHWAY USE TAX PERMIT			
				PERMIT NUMBER 36-010271-003A	
MAKE	YEAR	AXLE	TYPE	SERIAL NUMBER	DATE ISSUED
WHITE	69	2	TRACT	715290	02/20/69
RESERVE TERMINALS CO 2323 LAKESIDE AVE CLEVELAND, OHIO				44114	
KEEP THIS CARD IN CAB OF VEHICLE					

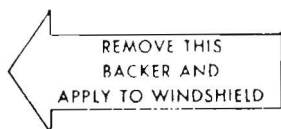
IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The attached 1979 windshield identification device is to be placed on the inside of the windshield of the vehicle it describes so the 79 is readily identifiable from the front of the vehicle.

This device is to be affixed to the windshield - passenger side - at the lower right corner and must not extend upward more than 4½" from the bottom of the windshield.

The placement of this identification device in any other area will not be considered as properly displayed.

The permit card must be carried in the cab at all times and if the vehicle is sold, traded or otherwise disposed of, return the permit and current identification device and request cancellation.

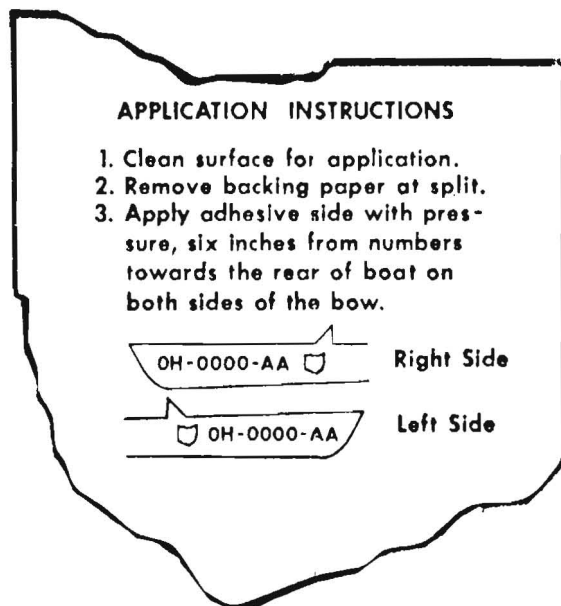


Department of Taxation
Highway Use Tax
P. O. Box 530
Columbus, Ohio 43216

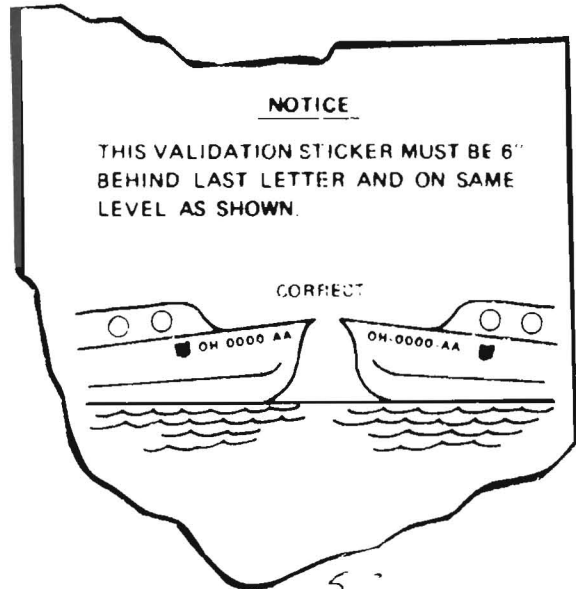
Dr. John Cahoon chips in with a number of items of interest. In addition to providing specimens of the Seed Inspection Stamps mentioned above, Dr. Cahoon sends along the 1977-1978 vehicle registration decal. The decal appears in red on white; design the same as for autos except large "H", "HV" and "H VEH" lettering. The 1978-1979 Motor Home Registration Decal is green on white, same design, except large "H" and "M" and "M HM" lettering.



The 1975 Ohio Watercraft registration decal is green on white and differs in design from the 1976 through 1980 designs. Note that the 1974 and earlier decals were 123 mm. wide as opposed to the smaller (71 mm.) decal in current use.



The 1979 Ohio Boat Registration appears in red on white.

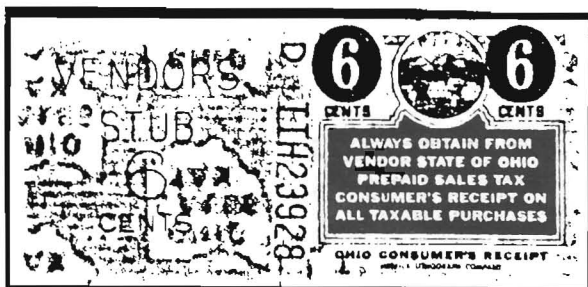


Dr. Cahoon will trade any member the current Ohio cigarette decal appearing in red, white and black for a similar item from any other state.

This obsolete Ohio cigarette tax decal is blue, yellow and white. It was apparently used on only a few brands for about 4 or 5 years.



The two Ohio Sales Tax Receipts with a 6¢ D control, roul. 12 1/2 and inverted safety design from the Merrick Lithograph Company imprint. One shows the normal position of the serial number and the other shows the serial number 14 mm to the left of the design--a shift of 13 mm.



WHAT YOU SAID!

Each year's membership renewal time is an opportunity for YOU to comment, criticize and observe on the State Revenue Society and this publication. As in past years a considerable number of you took the time to offer opinions. Space limitations do not permit quoting each reply, but if you look you'll find one quite similar to yours if you don't find the observations you made included.

In keeping with our usual editorial policy we print all opinions--good or bad. The only criticism that will not appear is personally-directed(as opposed to official action) remarks.

So here comes. . . .

"I have no criticism or comments to offer except a word of gratitude to those who so generously give of their time and talents to make the S.R.S. possible. . . . Keep up the good work."

"I would like to see items from back issues reprinted by states every three to five years."

"While I do very little with Cigarettes your(Harold Effner's) updating of that material is the type of data I'm interested in seeing in each newsletter. I enjoy the articles even about items I do not go out of my way to collect. . . ."

"More catalogue addendum"

"I like the idea of stamps for sale through S.R.S. Issues arrive months after cover date."

"The Newsletter is tremendous, invaluable, top-flight. The people that contribute to it do a fantastic service to the membership, to philately, and to future researchers who will not have to reinvent the wheel quite as much as they try to figure out what state revenues are all about. The Newsletter provides a nice balance among the people who are interested in colateral, in heavy research, those who are most interested in filling spaces(of course with state revenues you have to make the spaces before you can fill them!) and those people who are after two or three of the above. . . ."

I also hope that an eye will be kept on how the ARA does with its commitment to publish a state revenue catalogue to replace the 1960 catalogue. SRS was able to put out catalogues for five of the states and did quite a nice job of it. If the ARA is not able to do the job, I would hope the SRS would pick it up again."

"I enjoy the Newsletter. Don't merge with ARA--although it is a fine organization, interests aren't the same."

"Harold Effner does a marvelous job of keeping membership rolls and finances up-to-date. I don't think he gets enough credit."

"I hope someday the S.R.S. can get caught up and get ahead in publishing the Newsletter, but I know that its hard enough as it is. . . ."

"I would like to see done something like you did in the Jan. 1977 issue of the Newsletter. "Check list of State & Local Migratory Waterfowl hunting Stamps." I would like to see it brought up to date as a reference source, listing all the states each year a stamp was put out & face value of stamp. I would like to see this checklist type format done not

only for waterfowl but for other stamps. The idea is good, example a check list for trout stamps, one for deed stamps, one for pheasant stamps and so on. "

"Would like an enclosed form(for renewals) rather than cut copy of Newsletter. In general I think a good job is done."

"Re: NEWSLETTER REPRINTS--DON'T DO IT! The SRS and ARA libraries both have full runs available for borrowing/copying. Just about everyone has access to copying machines nowadays. Use the money to publish new hand-books as manuscripts become available."

"How about a state revenue checklist by states? Maybe an update of Hubbard catalog. . . Start with Alaska, and as new material is reported just update once a year. Nothing fancy, just a list of what is around."

"We should have a Society stamp, like the A.P.S. made like a state rev. stamp."

"I think you are doing a good job on the auto stickers and related automobile materials. Will try to send some of my information & pictures."

"The financial soundness of the Society, the upgrading of the NEWSLETTER and the helpfulness of most members are all things that some other organizations would do well to emulate."

"Print NEWSLETTER in black on white! Consider merger with ARA."

"More reliable cycle for issuing of the NEWSLETTER would be most appreciated--even if it were smaller and/or loose leaf style."

"The only thing that annoys me is the lateness in getting the NEWSLETTER. I realize that it can't be written unless there is articles. I've been doing my best to provide some. I'm only into state ducks so I'm limited. A January/February shouldn't be received in June. This discourages membership and also advertizing. As far as discontinuing the NEWSLETTER, I think that it would not be good. Where else could the membership be getting information on new issues. The American Revenuer has gotten my last membership dues. As far as I'm concerned. . . it should be called the International Revenuer. The last issue I got there were only a couple of pages pertaining to American revenues. . . "

"Would like to see less emphasis on hunting, fishing, auto & cigarettes. More on early & "classic" state issues "

And some editorial comment on some of the replies. The editor prints everything he gets that hasn't already been reported or that is of general interest to the membership. The continual drumbeat for check lists and catalogs is right in keeping with the editor's policies and ideas. The problem is that no one sends in any to be printed. If some of you would take a state or two and begin where Van left off in the fish and game catalog a major step forward would be made. Anyone who is working on a catalog or check list is welcome to let the editor know and he'll publish notice so others interested in the same state or type of revenue can help out if they wish.

If any member has further comments about the replies printed here please write the editor. They will appear in later issues.

CIGARETTE UPDATE #6

by Harold A. Effner, Jr.

This article will touch on Florida, Massachusetts, New York, North Dakota, Wisconsin and I'm not sure where. Let's start with uncertainty.

????????? But I think its North Carolina. The illustrated stamp(see figure 1) was on a free pack of Winston Ultra Lights that was mailed from Winston-Salem, North Carolina. There was no stamp, meter imprint or markings of any kind on the cellophane wrapper. Any suggestions?



Figure 1

FLORIDA. In Update #4, I mentioned a new INDIAN meter. Recently, I obtained about 15 of them(all #46373). You can have one free for a SASE.

MASSACHUSETTS. Howard Nelles of 571 Centre Street, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130, has let me know that any SRS member sending him a SASE can get 3 different meter numbers from Massachusetts. I don't know if he'll be able to handle specific number requests. Thanks Howard!

NEW YORK. In Update #4, a new New York City Cigarette decal was illustrated Ed Bachorik has sent along the new New York State decal; its a similar design. All lettering is in black except NEW YORK, which is in white. The background is red(see figure 2).



Figure 2

NORTH DAKOTA. The study of the cigarette meters from North Dakota can be reported on quickly. Only 9 numbers have ever been reported, and one of these appeared in Update #2, as an illustration. Only 8 are in collectors" hands. Inquiries to the state have not been helpful.

CM1 3¢ Purple

20480
20485
20567
20570

(4)

CM2 20 Cigarettes purple

24114
25100
25163
25164

(4)

CM3 20 Cigarettes green

40760 (illustrated in Update #2)
(1)

No other data or illustrations are available. Help!

WISCONSIN. A great deal of information is available from Wisconsin, thanks to the cooperation of the Chief of the Alcohol and Tobacco Enforcement Section of the Department of Revenue.

CM1 2¢ Purple September 1939 until June 1949 20000 series
(see figure 3)

20172	20380	20397	20420
20324	20381	20398	20421
20369	20382	20399	20422
20370	20383	20403	20424
20371	20384	20405	20425
20372	20387	20407	20620
20373	20392	20410	
20376	20393	20413	
20377	20394	20415	
20378	20395	20417	(36)

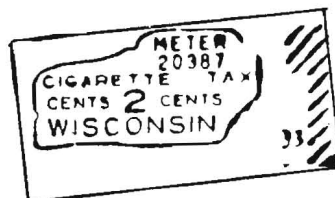


Figure 3

CM2 2¢ Purple September 1939 until June 1949 21000, 22000 series
(see figure 4)

Note: two different designs were in effect during this time period until they were both phased out.

21058	21269
21241	21270
21257	21271
21261	22123

(8)



Figure 4- this meter was inadvertently reversed when copied. Look at it in your bathroom mirror for correct appearance.

CM3 20 Cigarette (3¢)purple June 1949 until 1965 21000, 22000, 23000, 24000, 27000 and 28000 series (see figure 5)

22125	22223	22373	22739	23782	24988	25852
22126	22224	22376	22745	23963	24989	25853
22127	22225	22378	22747	23973	25206	23942
22128	22227	22379	22749	23974	25207	25943
22129	22228	22380	23076	23975	25208	27317
22131	22229	22381	23077	24400	25223	28569
22132	22230	22382	23078	24401	25234	28992
22133	22362	22384	23080	24581	25235	
22134	22367	22721	23279	24582	25236	
22135	22368	22725	23281	24589	25271	
22136	22369	22726	23282	24590	25406	
22221	22370	22732	23404	24591	25787	
22222	22371	22738	23407	24592	25790	(86)



Figure 5

Note: no meters have been reported in the 21000 series yet for CM3.

CM4 20 Cigarettes blue 1965 until 1970 21000 and 22000 series

Note: thought to be extremely rare as this series in this color were phased out almost immediately with the advent of the new design CM5 and CM6. None have been reported. These would be the same design as CM3.

CM5 20 Cigarettes purple 1964 until 1965 40000 and 41000 series same design as CM6.

40260	40858
40262	40860
40263	40974
40853	40978
40855	41179
40856	41182

(12)

CM6 20 Cigarettes Blue 1964 to present 40000, 41000, 42000 and 46000 series (see figure 6)

40260	40865	41172	41293	42992
40261	40866	41175	41608	42993
40263	40936	41176	41609	42994
40853	40938	41177	42970	42995
40854	40939	41178	42974	46029
40856	40973	41192	42076	46031
40858	40974	41289	42977	
40860	40977	41290	42986	
40862	40978	41291	42989	
40864	40979	41292	42990	(46)

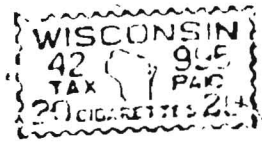


Figure 6

I can provide a few examples of Wisconsin meters (my choice of number and design) free, for a SASE. Address in masthead.

SUCKER STAMPS

by Terence Hines, President, SRS

In the January-February, 1981 issue of the NEWSLETTER, the existence of several private conservation organizations that issue their own wildlife labels was noted. Collectors should tread with extreme caution when purchasing such labels as some of these organizations may exist solely for the purpose of spewing out overpriced "stamps" to be sold to the unwary.

One of the most philatelically visible of these so-called conservation organizations is the National Wild Turkey Federation of Edgefield, S.C. They take full page ads in Linn's offering their "Wild Turkey Stamps" which go for \$5 each. Not only can the lucky collector get single stamps, but blocks, sheets of 10, albums and even turkey stamp prints (at \$95!) are available. The ads are masterpieces of weasel-worded deception in their implication that these "stamps" have great investment potential. Example: "There is no hard, fast guarantee that Wild Turkey Stamps will increase in value as rapidly as Federal Duck Stamps, but neither is there any reason to believe they won't". The only turkeys here are those who fall for this nonsense.

A more recent addition to the growing list of label-issuing organizations is the American Striped Bass Society. This worthy bunch (by amazing coincidence, also located in Edgefield, S.C.) will be glad to sell you Striped Bass Stamps at \$5 each, blocks, sheets of 10 and bass stamp prints (\$95 again). They, too, advertise in the philatelic press. In fact, in its December 29, 1980 issue (p. 30) Linn's ran as a news story a hand-out from the ASBS touting the investment potential of bass, turkey and duck stamp prints. That Linn's continues to accept such advertising and runs such deceptive pieces as news tells much about their own standards, or lack thereof.

What next? Probably American Sucker Stamps and prints, offered by the American Sucker Society.

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Interests: Fish, Game, Conservation License Stamps (#3)
Proposed by Gerald Abrams

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Flyway Gallery
The Gunther Building
Route 213
Cecilton, MD 21913

Interests: Waterfowl Stamps.
Proposed by T. Dickey.

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Indianapolis, Indiana 46227

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NOTE: When you get your new ZIP
+ 4, please let me know. The
least we can do is to use it.
Maybe it will help. . . .

FREEBIE OF THE MONTH

Previous Total	241
New Members	3
Reinstatements	2
Deceased	1
Dropped	<u>1</u>
New Total	244

NOTE: Secretary Effner reports that the post office has not been overly prompt in forwarding mail sent to his prior address(see new address in masthead). This has caused delays in servicing membership renewals and orders for stamps. Please be patient.

Also, Harold will be on vacation much of November. He will take care of his accumulated correspondence as quickly as possible on his return home.

Member Carol Ann Remmick has shipped a limited number of turnpike receipts for the members who wish them

There are three types. Two are varieties of the Pennsylvania Turnpike receipts--all for 45¢. One group has the "45¢" in red the other in blue. The other group is a cash register receipt imprinted with the name of the Garden State Parkway.

Because of limited numbers the Editor will wait for two weeks after the first reply and will fill all orders without regard for type or variety from a blind draw of envelopes.

Send your SASE to 3919 Enola Court, Fort Wayne, Indiana 46809.

SRS STAMPS

The following stamps are now available from the State Revenue Society.

All of these are from Georgia for the 1980/1981 season:

Resident Hunting and Fishing	.20
Resident Fishing	.20
Resident Hunting	.20
Resident Trout	.20
Resident Archery	.20

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Non-Resident 5-day Fishing	.20
Non-Resident Season Trout	.20
Non-Resident 5-day Trout	.20
Non-Resident Season Hunting	.20
Non-Resident 10-day Hunting	.20

Wildlife Management Area	.25
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Send all orders to Harold A. Effner, Jr., 425 Sylvania Avenue, Avon-by-the-Sea, NJ 07717. Checks should be made payable to the State Revenue Society. A SASE MUST be included with all orders. Thank you!

NEW LIQUOR REVENUE STAMPS APPEAR IN WISCONSIN

by William Smiley

The Wisconsin Department of Revenue has switched its liquor revenue stamp printing contractor. As a result, new stamps are now appearing with different designs and colors. Until 1981, the recent liquor decals were printed by the American Decal Manufacturing Company of Chicago, Illinois. The new series of stamps is being printed by the Meyercord Company of Wheaton, Illinois.

The only two stamps of the new series that have so far been sold by the Department of Revenue are the 1 liter regular liquor tax stamp and the 1 liter special liquor tax stamp. The special liquor tax stamps are used for liquors distilled in the state from brewery wastes or whey. This liquor is taxed at the rate of \$1 per gallon while the state taxes on other liquors is at the rate of \$2.60 per gallon.



The new regular stamp differs from the American Decal regular stamp in several respects. The top of the new stamp is white while the old style stamp had the words State of Wisconsin shaded in yellow. The serial numbers are larger. At the bottom of the new stamps the denomination is stated as 1 liter while the old series stated the denomination as 1.00 liter. The final major difference between the American Decal and the Meyercord stamps is that the Meyercord stamps are printed on safety paper with the words State of Wisconsin Department of Revenue printed repeatedly on the reverse. Both series are red on the bottom third of the decal.



The new series of special liquor tax stamps is considerably smaller than the older series and the format is completely different. The reverse also has a safety paper feature referring to the Department of Revenue. The background color of both series is light blue with black printing.

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ADVERTISING: MINIMUM of \$1.00 for insertion up to and including 25 words. Five cents (5¢) for each additional word over 25. Name and return address no charge. 3 insertions for the price of 2, 5 for the price of 3. Short ads offering material for trade accepted FREE FOR ONE TIME ONLY. Send payment and copy to Harold A. Effner, Jr., Secretary-Treasurer, 425 Sylvania Avenue, Avon-by-the-Sea, NJ 07717

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Briarwood Trace
Carbondale, IL 62901

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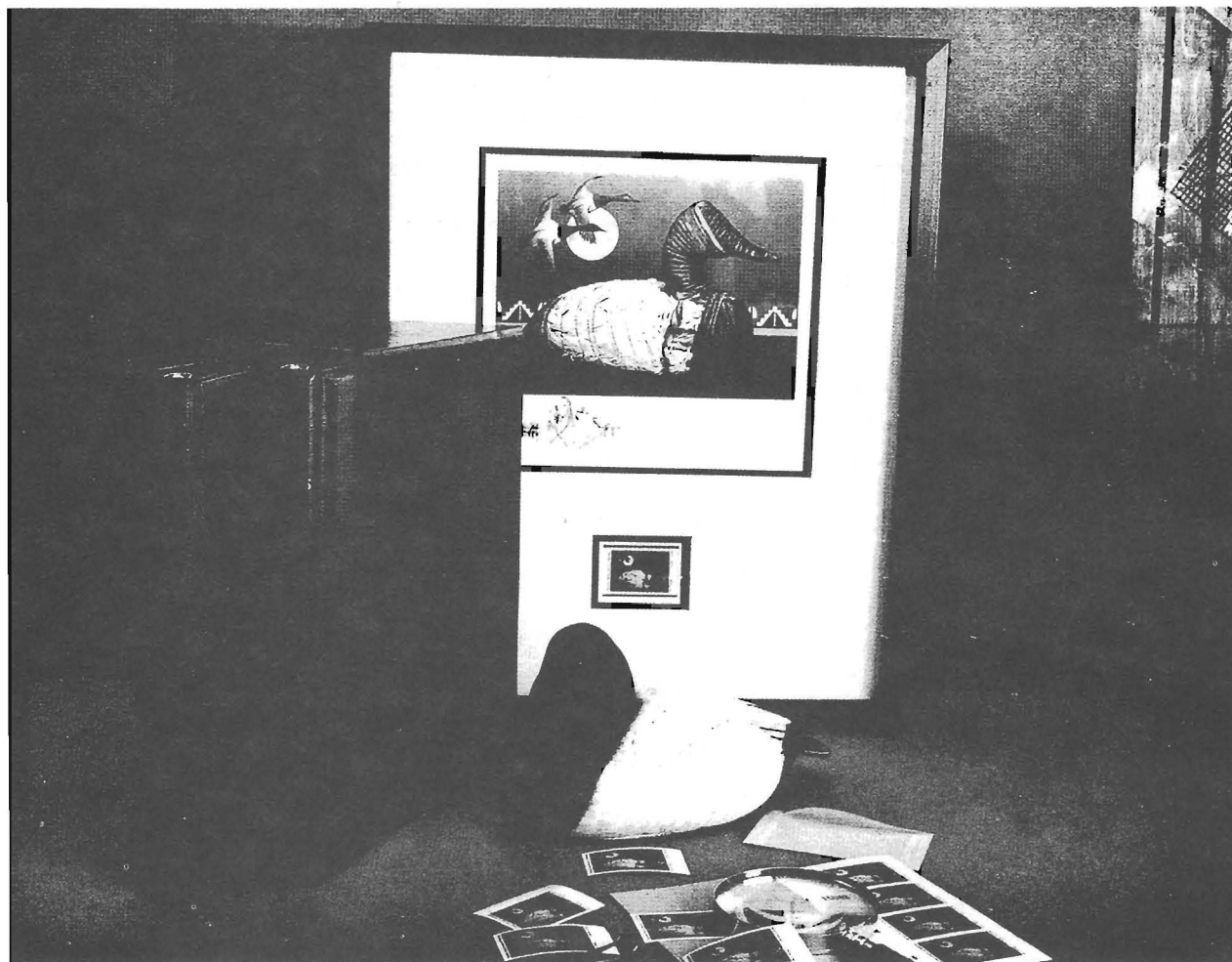
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The book contains specific information on the stamps and prints as well as biographies and pictures of the stamp/print artists.

The book is also an album for the displaying of the state stamps and contains a personal listing catalog and stamp/print evaluations.

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MORE TEXAS TREASURE: AMUSEMENT MACHINE STAMPS

by W. J. Majcher

The Texas Amusement Machine Commission was established in the fall of 1971. A copy of the General Rules of Practice and Procedure 066.01 and the Texas Amusement Machine Commission and Coin-Operated Machine Laws of the State of Texas are now in the SRS Library.

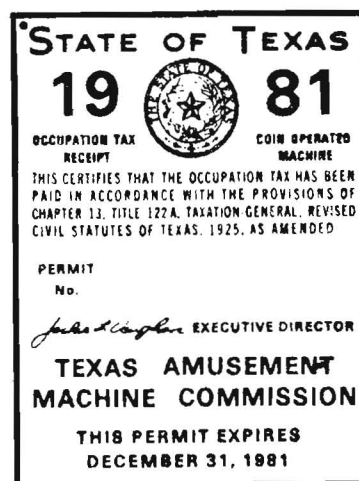
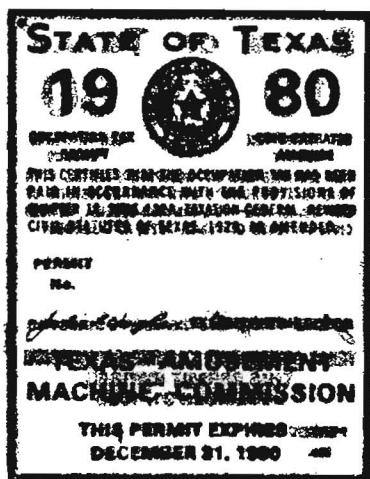
Now about the stamp decals shown below. A funny thing happened a little while ago when I took the wife out to the Spaghetti Warehouse for an Italian dinner. After we were seated, I went over to the juke box to serenade the little lady with some Napoli. Guess what? Right on the front of that box was a bunch of decal stamps indicating a tax was paid. You know what I did the next day--I hunted down that cotton pickin' Amusement Commission. Mr. Vaughn, the director, was very nice. He referred me to a redheaded bombshell in his front office.

Although the Commission is not authorized to sell or furnish sample copies of their Licenses, Certificates or Decal Stamps the secretary very obligingly reproduced copies of all these items so I could send them along for information.

I also got the following history about the stamps. The Commission was established late in the year 1971 in order to purchase and issue tax stamps. The first year of issue was 1972. Stamps are colored as follows: 1972-blue with black lettering; 1973-orange; 1974-red; 1975-yellow; 1976-pink; 1977-green; 1978-blue; 1979-orange; 1980-red; and 1981-yellow. A square 1980 stamp was printed but because of an error was not used. The official 1980 stamp was retangular. Also, the 1980 and 1981 stamps are visible from both sides--front and back.

As a postscript, I located an obsolete machine and tried to remove the decal stamps. I did pretty well and got one out of three. Two absolutely fell apart which they are supposed to do according to the Secretary.

The moral of this story is for all you guys to take your wives out to dinner. You never know what you'll find.



STATE OF TEXAS
19 72
 OCCUPATION TAX RECEIPT
 COIN OPERATED MACHINE
 THIS CERTIFIES THAT THE OCCUPATION TAX HAS BEEN PAID IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 13, TITLE 122A, TAXATION-GENERAL, REVISED CIVIL STATUTES OF TEXAS, 1925, AS AMENDED.
 PERMIT NO. **23**
 ISSUED BY
 TEXAS VENDING COMMISSION
 THIS PERMIT EXPIRES
 DECEMBER 31, 1972

STATE OF TEXAS
19 76
 OCCUPATION TAX RECEIPT
 COIN OPERATED MACHINE
 THIS CERTIFIES THAT THE OCCUPATION TAX HAS BEEN PAID IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 13, TITLE 122A, TAXATION-GENERAL, REVISED CIVIL STATUTES OF TEXAS, 1925, AS AMENDED.
 PERMIT NO.
Jackie L. Vaughan EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
 TEXAS AMUSEMENT MACHINE COMMISSION
 THIS PERMIT EXPIRES
 DECEMBER 31, 1976

TEXAS AMUSEMENT MACHINE COMMISSION
1981
MUSIC, SKILL OR PLEASURE COIN-OPERATED MACHINE REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE
 REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE NO. **3920**
 IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 13.17, TITLE 122A, TAXATION - GENERAL, REVISED CIVIL STATUTES OF TEXAS, 1925, AS AMENDED THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE STATE REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE FEE HAS BEEN PAID BY:
 CERTIFICATE MUST BE PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED AT THE PRINCIPAL OFFICE OF THE BUSINESS ENTITY NAMED HEREON.
Jackie L. Vaughan
 JACKIE L. VAUGHAN
 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
 THIS CERTIFICATE EXPIRES DECEMBER 31, 1981
 TEXAS AMUSEMENT MACHINE COMMISSION P O BOX 13226, CAPITOL STATION, AUSTIN, TEXAS 78711

TEXAS AMUSEMENT MACHINE COMMISSION
1981
MUSIC, SKILL OR PLEASURE COIN-OPERATED MACHINE LICENSE

BUSINESS			LICENSE NUMBER
<input type="checkbox"/> GENERAL BUSINESS	<input type="checkbox"/> IMPORT BUSINESS	<input type="checkbox"/> REPAIR BUSINESS	2140

 FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF PURSUING THE ABOVE BUSINESS
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I.L. Pfalser sent along this copy of a 1980 Oklahoma boat and motor tax stamp that must be attached to each boat operated in Oklahoma waters. The stamp above is bright red in color. The 1979 issue was green. The serial number is in black.

This is one of two stamps that are sold, one for each side of the boat. The second has been "detached" to fit our page size.

The fee is calculated on the type and size of boat and motor. The reverse of the stamps shown below provide directions for using the stamps. The backing sheet of these stamps peels off to expose the adhesive gum.

Mr. Pfalser thinks the only way to get one is to know a boat owner and get one after it expires or purchase the cheapest one available.

**Remove all stickers for previous years. Stickers are slit in two parts,
peel off and apply one for each side of the bow of the boat about
two inches from, but in line with boat numbers toward rear of
boat.**

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