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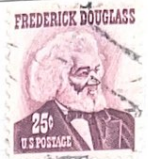
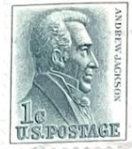
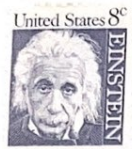
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Speed-Rite
1945 - 1948
PRINTED IN U.S.A.

We hold these Truths...



Speed-Mills
1953-1958
PRINTED IN U.S.A.



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TRADE MARK
PRINTED IN U.S.A.



*United States Postal Service
Special Stamp Mini-Album*

1972

Philatelic Services

There has been a vast increase in the number of collectors of United States postage stamps in recent years. A survey showed that more than 16 million Americans between the ages of 15 and 64, from all walks of life, participate in what is perhaps the most popular hobby in the United States. It is educational and informative and collectors from all educational and economic levels find it worthwhile and fascinating.

Because of this significant increase in the number of collectors and the major importance of stamp collecting to the U.S. Postal Service in general, a major effort is under way to broaden and improve services to collectors. This mini-album is one of the new philatelic items being provided to give information about our stamps and to assist collectors. Improved sales outlets in many post offices throughout the country make stamps and other philatelic materials more readily available to the collector.

For the convenience of collectors whose needs cannot be satisfied by post offices, the Philatelic Sales Unit has been operating in Washington, D.C. since 1921. A list showing the stamps available may be obtained by sending an addressed stamped envelope to the Philatelic Sales Unit, Washington, D.C. 20036. Full instructions for ordering by mail are contained in the order blank.

Mail order service from the Sales Unit is also being expanded and improved. In May, 1972, the Philatelic Automatic Distribution Service was established. This service allows collectors to receive automatically from the Postal Service first day cancellations of each new stamp, affixed to a souvenir page which is designed for an album or for framing. The collector deposits \$10.00 with his initial order, and the cost of the souvenir pages is deducted as pages are mailed monthly. Each page costs 50 cents plus the postage which is affixed. When the account needs replenishing, the customer is notified. There is a guaranteed refund policy, with 30 days notice. The

program will be expanded to include other philatelic items in the future.

In addition to mail order service, stamps may be purchased in person on the first floor of the U.S. Postal Service Building, 12th and Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. The windows are open to the public Monday through Saturday, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., except legal holidays.

The Philatelic Sales Unit does not sell or service first day covers. They may be obtained by submitting addressed envelopes, together with remittance to cover the cost of the stamps to be affixed, to the postmaster designated to conduct the first day sale of the new stamp.

A copy of the stamp program, as well as specific instructions for obtaining first day covers, may be requested from the Philatelic Affairs Division, U.S. Postal Service, Washington, D.C. 20260.





United States
Postal Service
Souvenir
Mint Set

1973



Philatelic Services

"Stamp Collecting. For the Fun of It."—that's the message appearing on the large posters introducing new stamps that are displayed in the lobbies of first class post offices.

This is a continuing effort by the U.S. Postal Service to attract new stamp collectors.

Stamp collecting has been called perhaps the most popular hobby. It is an inexpensive hobby. It is educational. It is fun. Both young and old can enjoy it. For the convenience of collectors, the Philatelic Sales Unit has been operating since 1921. A list of the stamps available may be

obtained by sending an addressed stamped envelope to the U.S. Stamp Information Service, P.O. Box 764, Washington, D.C. 20044. Full instructions for ordering by mail are contained in the order blank.

In May, 1972, the Philatelic Automatic Distribution Service, Washington, D.C. 20036 was established. This service automatically provides collectors with first day cancellations of each new stamp, affixed to a souvenir page which is designed for an album or for framing. The collector deposits \$10.00 with his initial order, and the cost of the souvenir pages is

deducted as pages are mailed every two months. Each page costs 50 cents plus the postage which is affixed. When the account needs replenishing, the customer is notified.

Collectors desiring first day covers may obtain them by sending addressed envelopes, together with remittance to cover the cost of the stamps to be affixed, to the postmaster designated to conduct the first day sale of the new stamp.

A copy of the stamp program, as well as specific instructions for obtaining first day covers, may be requested from the U.S. Stamp Information Service, P.O. Box 764, Washington, D.C. 20044.



UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
MINT SET OF COMMEMORATIVE STAMPS
1974





STAMP COLLECTING FOR THE FUN OF IT

Research by the U.S. Postal Service indicates there are about 16 million stamp collectors in America and that this number is growing steadily. Not only are the ranks of collectors growing, stamp collecting is among the fastest growing of all leisure-time activities.

And why not? Collecting U.S. stamps of the 20th Century usually is inexpensive. Recently issued stamps not available from your post office may be bought by mail order from the U.S. Postal Service's Philatelic Sales Division in Washington for the price of the stamp plus a small service charge.

Older U.S. stamps are available from stamp dealers, often for just a few pennies more than the face value of the stamp. People on a modest hobby budget will have to look far and wide for a less expensive avenue for fun.

A stock list of stamps available at face value may be obtained by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope to the U.S. Stamp Information Service, P. O. Box 764, Washington, DC 20044.



United States Postal Service Mint Set of Commemorative Stamps 1975



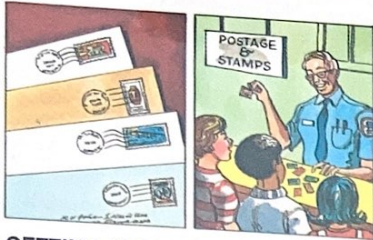


Treasury of Stamps Album



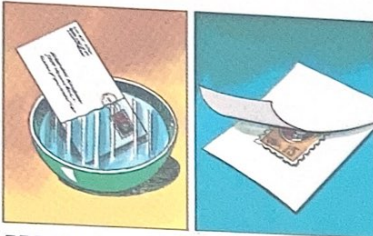
1978-1979 SCHOOL YEAR EDITION

It's fun and easy to collect stamps. This "TREASURY OF STAMPS ALBUM" will help to organize your collection of commemorative stamps issued by the Postal Service.



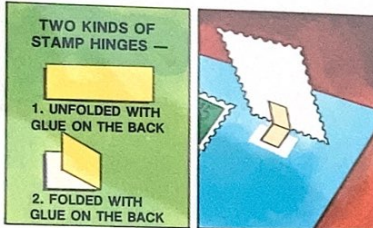
GETTING STAMPS

To start your collection save the stamps on mail delivered to your home. Ask friends, relatives and neighbors to save stamps for you. After a while, you may want to buy unused stamps from your post office. Stamp dealers can help you find the ones missing from your album.



PREPARING STAMPS

To remove used stamps from letters, soak them in warm water until they come off. Remove them from the water quickly. Put the wet stamps between blotters or paper towels. Put a book on top so the stamps won't curl or wrinkle. Let them dry.



MOUNTING STAMPS

Stamp hinges are used to mount stamps. They are sold by stamp dealers and in hobby shops. To use an unfolded hinge, fold it in half with the glue on the outside. Lightly wet one half of the glue side and attach it at the top edge on the back of the stamp. Attach it to the white spot in the space provided in your album.



ENJOYING STAMPS

As you fill your album with the new commemorative stamps, you will want to share your new collection with friends. Your Ben Franklin Stamp Club adviser can help you find other ways to collect stamps. Remember collecting stamps is fun and easy to do.



The OLYMPIC CHALLENGE



U.S. 1984 OLYMPIC STAMP COLLECTION



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Olympic Stamp Program
Philatelic Sales Division
Washington, DC 20265-9985