

United States Postal Savings Certificates

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THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SAVINGS SYSTEM

A NONCOMPETING INSTITUTION

IS A VALUABLE AID IN THE PRACTICE OF

ECONOMY AND THRIFT

TO ENCOURAGE THRIFT IS TO PROMOTE THE GENERAL WELFARE

THROUGH THE SYSTEM, IDLE MONEY—MONEY ASLEEP AND BEYOND THE REACH OF THE BUSINESS WORLD—IS BROUGHT TO THE LIGHT OF DAY AND PUT TO WORK FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE INDIVIDUAL, THE COMMUNITY, AND THE NATION.

ONE DOLLAR WILL OPEN AN INTEREST-BEARING ACCOUNT

Any person ten years old or over may start an account.

A married woman may deposit in her own name.

Any number of dollars may be deposited, and at any time, until the balance to the credit of a depositor amounts to \$2,500.

Deposits may be exchanged for United States bonds of small denominations.

Withdrawals may be made at any time.

Postal Savings Stamps may be purchased at ten cents each.

THIS POST OFFICE IS A POSTAL SAVINGS DEPOSITORY


Inquire at the window where Postal Savings business is transacted for further information.

JAMES A. FARLEY,
Postmaster General


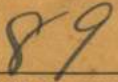
The Basic Unit



Series 1911

NOT TRANSFERABLE NOT NEGOTIABLE	POSTAL SAVINGS SYSTEM UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	ISSUE OF 1911. A 886001
SHERBOYCAN FALLS, WIS. DEPOSITORY OFFICE		<i>Chester L. Granger</i> NAME OF DEPOSITOR
APR 13 1912 DATE OF ISSUE	CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT	ACCOUNT NUMBER
<p>THIS CERTIFIES THAT THE SUM OF ONE DOLLAR HAS BEEN DEPOSITED WITH THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE POSTAL SAVINGS SYSTEM AND WILL BE PAYABLE TO THE DEPOSITOR AT THE ABOVE NAMED DEPOSITORY OFFICE WITH INTEREST AT THE RATE OF TWO PER CENT PER ANNUM PAYABLE ANNUALLY ON THE PRESENTATION OF THIS CERTIFICATE PROPERLY ENDORSED.</p>		
INTEREST BEGINS ON THE FOLLOWING DATE <i>May 1 1912</i>		<i>Frank A. McKeock</i> <i>Franklin MacNeagh</i> <i>Geo W. Ketchum</i> BOARD OF TRUSTEES, POSTAL SAVINGS SYSTEM

Series 1911 - Duplicate

NOT TRANSFERABLE NOT NEGOTIABLE	POSTAL SAVINGS SYSTEM UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	ISSUE OF 1911
BATH, ME.	 DUPLICATE X TO BE RETAINED BY THE POSTMASTER	A 485200
DEPOSITORY OFFICE OCT 15 1913		SIGNATURE OF DEPOSITOR 
DATE OF ISSUE		ACCOUNT NUMBER
CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT		
THIS CERTIFIES THAT THE SUM OF — ONE DOLLAR —		
HAS BEEN DEPOSITED WITH THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE POSTAL SAVINGS SYSTEM AND WILL BE PAYABLE TO THE DEPOSITOR AT THE ABOVE NAMED DEPOSITORY OFFICE WITH INTEREST AT THE RATE OF TWO PER CENT PER ANNUM PAYABLE ANNUALLY ON THE PRESENTATION OF THIS CERTIFI- CATE PROPERLY ENDORSED.		
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"><small>INTEREST BEGINS ON THE FOLLOWING DATE</small> NOV 1 1913</div>		FRANK H. HITCHCOCK, FRANKLIN MACVEAGH, GEO. W. WICKERSHAM, BOARD OF TRUSTEES, POSTAL SAVINGS SYSTEM.

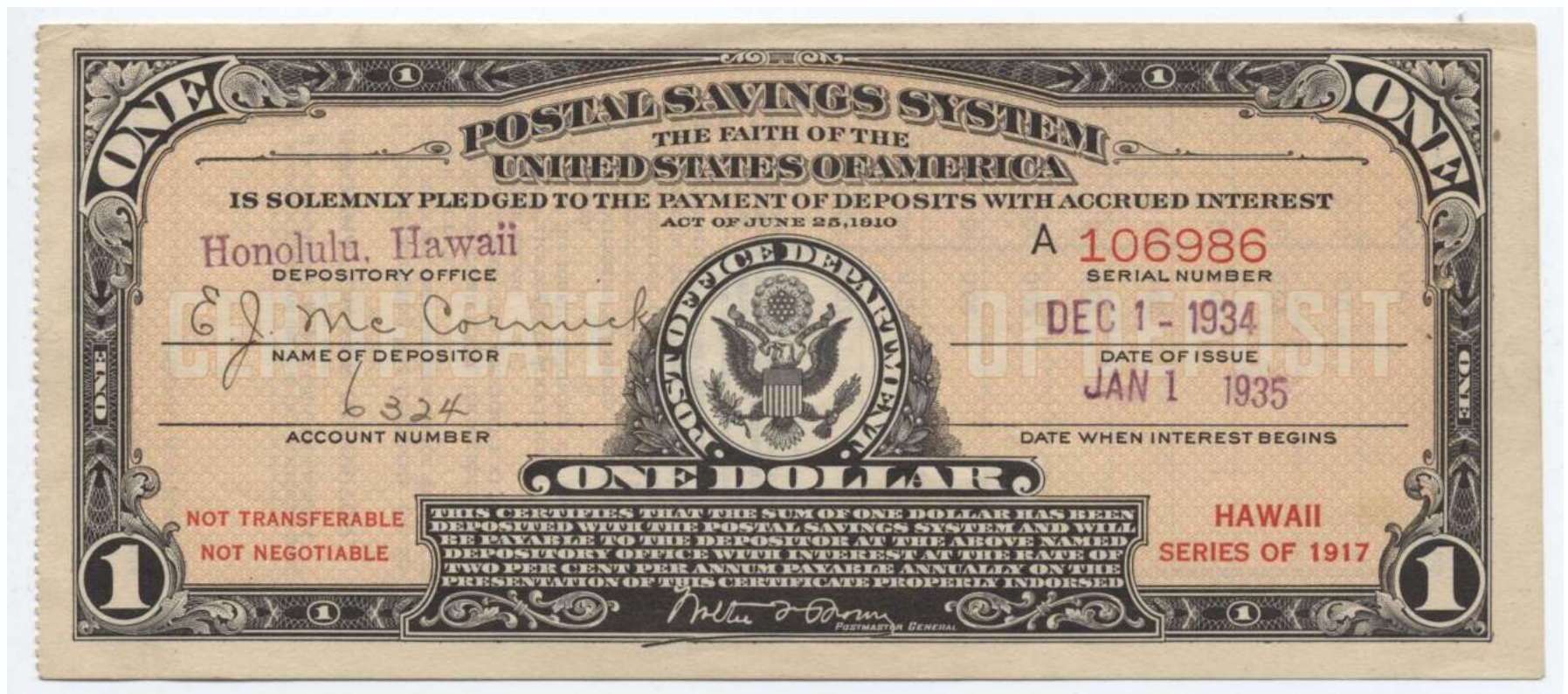
Series 1913



Series 1917



Series 1917 – State Variety



Series 1918



Series 1939

SERIES OF 1939	
POSTAL SAVINGS SYSTEM OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	
NEW YORK, NEW YORK (College Station) OFFICE OF ISSUE	C 288141 SERIAL NUMBER
723143 ACCOUNT NUMBER	SEP 13 1948 DATE OF ISSUE
PAID DATE STAMP	DATE WHEN INTEREST BEGINS
NAME OF DEPOSITOR Gorise Wallo	THE AMOUNT OF THIS CERTIFICATE AND INTEREST DUE THEREON RECEIVED.
SIGNATURE OF PAYEE	
POSTMASTER GENERAL	
FIVE DOLLARS	

1939 – NJ Interest Variation

\$2

SERIES OF 1939

POSTAL SAVINGS SYSTEM
OF THE
UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA

ATLANTIC CITY, NEW JERSEY
OFFICE OF ISSUE

B 27037
SERIAL NUMBER

103869
ACCOUNT NUMBER

OCT 8 1941
DATE OF ISSUE

PAID DATE STAMP

NOV 3 1941
DATE WHEN INTEREST BEGINS

NOT NEGOTIABLE

NOT TRANSFERABLE

Edward Rogers
NAME OF DEPOSITOR

CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT
THE SUM OF **TWO DOLLARS** HAS BEEN DEPOSITED
WITH THE POSTAL SAVINGS SYSTEM AND WILL BE PAYABLE TO THE
DEPOSITOR AT THE OFFICE OF ISSUE NAMED HEREON WITH INTEREST
AT THE RATE OF TWO PER CENT PER ANNUM, ACCORDING TO THE
TERMS ON THE REVERSE SIDE, WHEN THIS CERTIFICATE IS SUR-
RENDERED.

1% PER ANNUM
IS PAYABLE AT THE RATE OF

Frank D. Brown
POSTMASTER GENERAL

THE UNITED STATES IS SOLEMNLY PROMISED THAT THE PAYMENT OF DEPOSITS WITH ACCRUED INTEREST, ACT OF JUNE 20, 1910.

TWO DOLLARS

\$2

Series 1954

50 **SERIES OF 1954** **50**

POSTAL SAVINGS SYSTEM
OF THE
UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA

ACCOUNT NUMBER 305455

PAID
FEB 8 1966

ISSUED AT **F 3,381,061**
Manhattanville Sta.
NEW YORK, NEW YORK

ON **DEC 29 1965**

INTEREST BEGINS FIRST DAY OF NEXT MONTH
RECEIVED THE AMOUNT OF THIS

Juan F. Elizalde
NAME OF DEPOSITOR

CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT
THE SUM OF **FIFTY** DOLLARS HAS BEEN DEPOSITED
IN A POSTAL SAVINGS ACCOUNT AT THE OFFICE NAMED
HEREON AND WILL BE PAYABLE TO THE DEPOSITOR AT THAT
OFFICE WITH INTEREST ACCORDING TO THE REGULATIONS OF
THE POSTAL SAVINGS SYSTEM.

Juan F. Elizalde
SIGNATURE OF PAYEE

[Signature]
POSTMASTER GENERAL

50 **FIFTY DOLLARS** **50**

NOT NEGOTIABLE NOT TRANSFERABLE

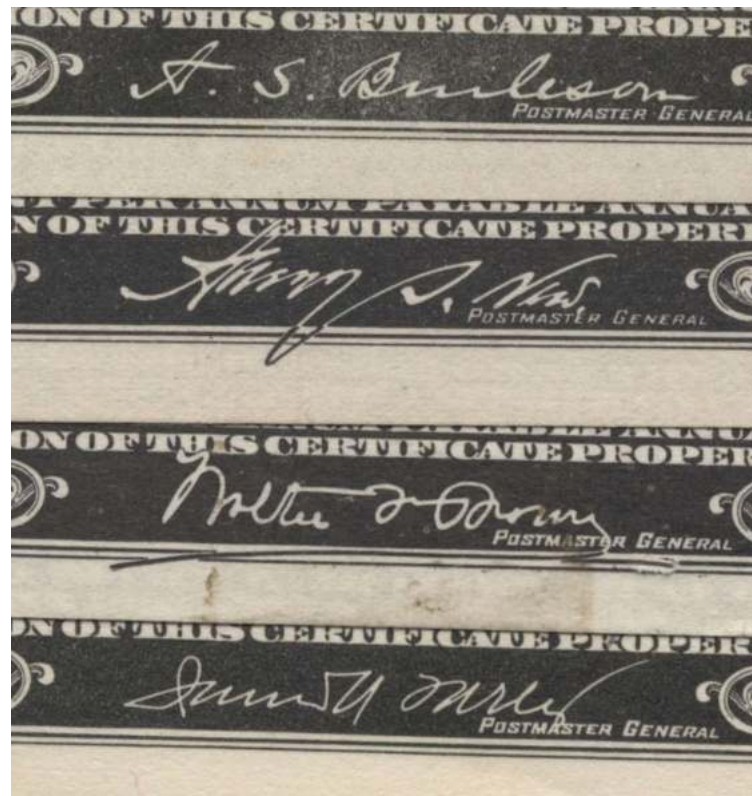
Denominations

1911, 1913: \$1, \$2, \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50, \$100

1917, 1939: add \$200, \$500

1954: no \$2; add \$1000 and \$2500. \$1 dropped 1956

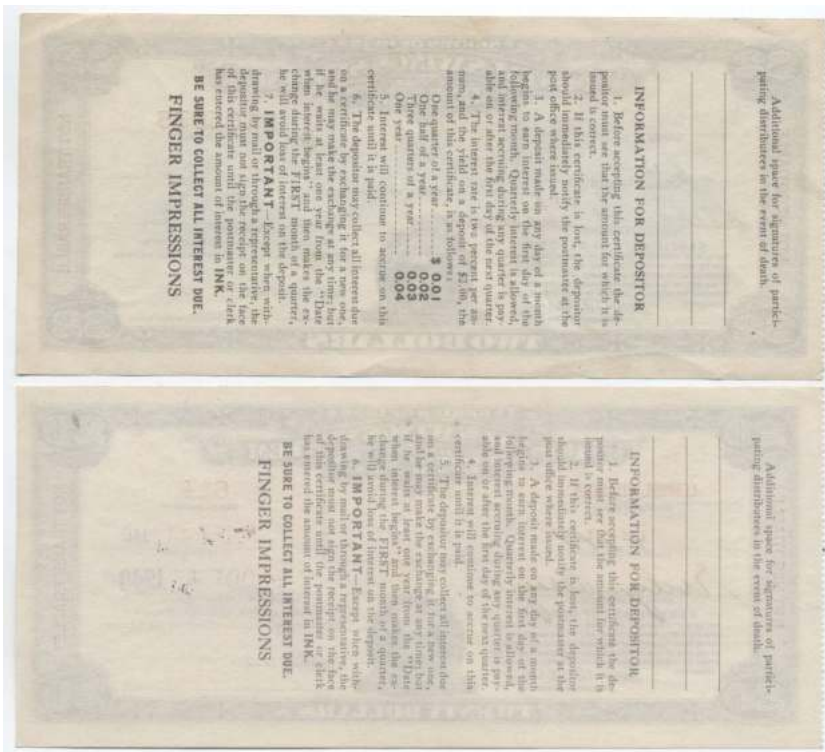
Series 1917 - Signatures



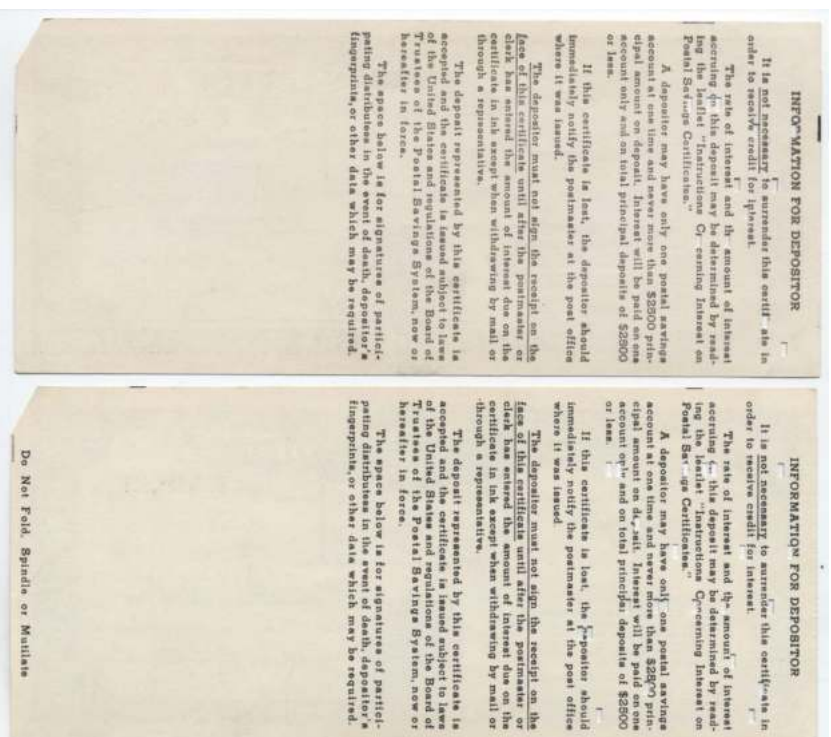
Series 1939 - Signatures



1939 Reverse Varieties



1954 Reverse Varieties



10 Cent Early Redemption

200 **SERIES OF 1939** **POSTAL SAVINGS SYSTEM** **200**

BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS (East Boston Station)
OFFICE OF ISSUE

27116
ACCOUNT NUMBER

H 16178
SERIAL NUMBER

MAY 24 1954
DATE OF ISSUE

JUN 1 1954
DATE WHEN INTEREST BEGINS

Peter Rose
NAME OF DEPOSITOR

CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT
THE SUM OF **TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS** HAS BEEN DEPOSITED WITH THE POSTAL SAVINGS SYSTEM AND WILL BE PAYABLE TO THE DEPOSITOR AT THE OFFICE OF ISSUE NAMED HEREON WITH INTEREST AT THE RATE OF TWO PER CENT PER ANNUM, ACCORDING TO THE TERMS ON THE REVERSE SIDE, WHEN THIS CERTIFICATE IS SUR-
RENDERED.

POSTMASTER GENERAL

THE AMOUNT OF THIS CERTIFICATE AND INTEREST DUE THEREON RECEIVED.

SIGNATURE OF PAYEE

200 **TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS** **200**

NOT NEGOTIABLE **NOT TRANSFERABLE**

PAID DATE STAMP

UNITED STATES POSTAGE 10 CENTS

JUN 14 1954

ACT OF JUNE 25, 1910

BUREAU OF ENGRAVING AND PRINTING

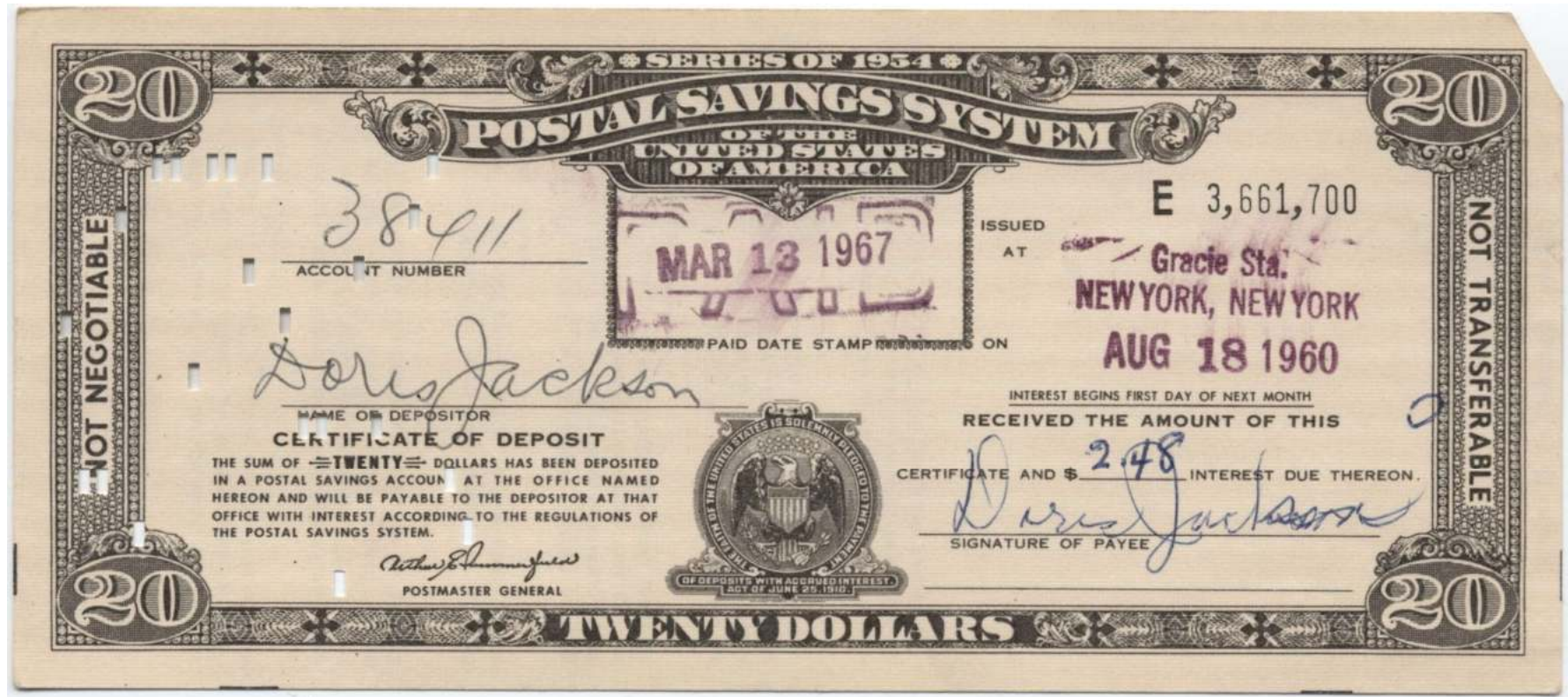
Rate effective October 1, 1953

20 Cent Early Redemption



Rate effective November 1, 1955

The End of Postal Savings



New deposits not accepted after April 27, 1966
System closed effective July 1, 1967

Reissued Certificates



Reissued Certificates

SERIES OF 1939	
POSTAL SAVINGS SYSTEM OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	
Station D, Phila., Pa. OFFICE OF ISSUE	B 18688 SERIAL NUMBER
44943 ACCOUNT NUMBER	November 27, 1945 DATE OF ISSUE
Carrie Mears NAME OF DEPOSITOR	December 1, 1945 DATE WHEN INTEREST BEGINS
CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT THE SUM OF TWO DOLLARS HAS BEEN DEPOSITED WITH THE POSTAL SAVINGS SYSTEM AND WILL BE PAYABLE TO THE DEPOSITOR AT THE OFFICE OF ISSUE NAMED HEREON WITH INTEREST AT THE RATE OF TWO PER CENT PER ANNUM, ACCORDING TO THE TERMS ON THE REVERSE SIDE WHEN THIS CERTIFICATE IS SUR- RENDERED.	
84158 POSTMASTER GENERAL	SIGNATURE OF PAYEE
TWO DOLLARS	

Geographic Distribution

- 42 States
 - DC
 - PR
 - Includes AK and HI territories
- Remaining to be found:
 - AR, DE, MD, NC, ND, NV, UT, VT

What's the Next Discovery?

- Denomination/signature combinations
- Reissued Certificate Varieties
- Post-Closure Redemption
- Redemption for Savings Bonds
- Interest Varieties
- Who knows?