

BROKEN SIGNATURE VARIETIES – UPDATE

by Roger Fox

Since the last newsletter, 6 more replacements in the CTC-S20 series have been discovered with 'Broken Signatures'.

- TYPE 4 5¢ Also contains replacements.
- TYPE 5 25¢ Also contains replacements.
- TYPE 6 5¢ Also contains replacements. Discovered and advised by member Thayer Bouck of Fonthill, Ontario. Some replacements contain the 'Missing "A"' variety. Type 6 now has 3 varieties, two of which are replacements; one with a regular 'A', one with a 'Missing 'A'!
- TYPE 9 25¢ Also contains replacements.
- TYPE 10 50¢ Also contains replacements. Discovered and advised by member Bill Cuff of Ottawa, Ontario.

Although no more formal TYPES have been discovered, the above 6 discoveries extend the number of TYPES with VARIETIES to 19 different coupons! A big Thank You to both Thayer and Bill for their input!

Only Types NOT containing replacements so far are TYPES 1, 2, and 3.

Now that 8 months have passed since I started this study, here is the order of scarcity. **NOTE: Scarcity based on my personal study, and what I have found in circulation.** I did not count in any bundles, which is how I noticed these errors in the first place.

ORDER OF SCARCITY of TYPES from MOST COMMON (1) to RAREST (10):

TYPES: 7 most common, then, 3, 10, 9, 4, 5, 6, 1, 2, with 8 the rarest.

If and when more TYPES or VARIETIES are discovered, I will update in future issues of the COLLECTOR to keep everyone notified! Good Luck, and Good Hunting! R. A. Fox, 382 Selby Crescent, Newmarket, and Ontario. L3Y-6E1, 905-898-7677, or e-mail: phoxxxy@look.ca

CROSS THE T VARIETIES

by Thayer Bouck

I have always enjoyed articles by Roger Fox and his latest Vol. 10 No. 4 October 2000 pages 56 and 57, 'Broken Signature Varieties' was a gem. Within minutes of reading the article, I was excitedly going through my collection, spares and stock trying to find an example of all 10 types. Eventually I had one of each type plus type 6 CTC S20-Ba \$0.05 replacement coupons.

Some I didn't have so I made photocopies of Page 57 and handed them out to the local cashiers of the Gas Outlet and Canadian Tire Store, and within days they had found them for me. I found the whole exercise very exciting, espe-

cially when I would get a call from a cashier to tell me excitedly that they had found Type 'X' for me.

This article sent me looking for signature varieties on other coupons and was I thrilled when I carefully checked CTC S20 - F \$1.00.

When you examine the signature of Stanley Pasternak on Page 57 which Jerome Fourre has beautifully reproduced, you will see that all t's in 'Stanley' are crossed exactly the same as well as all t's in Pasternak.

This, however, is not the case with his signature on CTC S20 - F \$1.00 and it's replacement CTC S20 - Fa.

TYPE 1

Cross goes from S to the top of T which is incorrect height

TYPE 2

Cross goes from S to T at correct height and just a little past it.

TYPE 3

Same as Type 2 but cross extends about 1 mm past T.

TYPE 5

Cross extends further to the right and more cross is on right side of T.

TYPE 6

Same as Type 3 but T cross in Pasternak is shorter.

TYPE 4

Cross extends about 2 mm past T, equal distance on each side of T.

TYPE 7

Same as Type 4 but T cross in Pasternak is shorter.

TYPE 8

Cross in Stanley is normal but T cross in Pasternak is shorter.

I have also found some of these in the replacement coupons but my supply is too small to conclude that all types exist although I suspect that it is true.

If members will let me know of additional Types in S20 - F and Types in S20 - Fa replacements, I will try and give an update in a later issue. Good Luck.