PREGNANT B VARIETY

by Don Bradt #150

While proofreading the seventh edition of the Bilodeau Guide and comparing it to our collections, both Jerome and I independently discovered this "Pregnant B" variety. This "B" has a fatter lower loop than the normal "B". I'm sure other collectors have noticed this difference. I know that I have very few duplicates in the plaid coupon series so finding varieties is very unlikely.

The variety was found on the left and right serial number prefix for some MP2C-30B coupons and on the right serial number prefix for some MP3B-30B1 and GB1B-30 coupons. Because we have so few coupons to check the variety may be more pervasive than the above 3 series. Our apologies to the few members who think all this is a waste of paper.



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MORE ON THE PREGNANT B VARIETY

by Don Roebuck #848

In addition to being fatter than the normal B, the pregnant B is also taller, and the horizontal line between the two loops is conspicuously more than halfway up. I have also found the pregnant B on a PSIB-20B2 coupon (on the right).

As far as I can tell, the pregnant and normal B's on the lubritorium coupons are the same as the wide and narrow B's on the CTC 2-B gas bar coupons. This is not surprising, because both were printed by the Canadian Tire Corporation. (The pregnant B was first brought to my attention last summer by Doug Dunster.)



PSIB-20B2 Pregnant B right

CTC 2-B Pregnant B

PRE-PRINTING PAPER CREASE FOUND IN S28-G07

by Louis Fontaine #109

I recently found a variety where the paper was creased before it went to be printed. There are at least 2 creases and one is quite large. When the note was stretched it could be seen there was no print under the crease. It is unknown how much of the sheet was affected.



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