





US postmarks Jan 1940 to Nov 1941, prior to the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. Postmark cities are in alphabetical order (page 4) PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$500 REMEMBE v. Chester D. May ne George H. Lee Co. 115 Harney Street 9.30 AM 1941 DEC 2V 7940 * State Colles PUBLICATIONS? AUG 25 1941 SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS FVF HULS CCTIB IS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS Mrs. S.g. Hulez PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID PENALTY-FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID UCT 14 C PAYMENT OF BOSTAGE cations .dg. PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$300 S. G. Hulse In view of the escalating war in Europe, and prior to the Japanese attack at Pearl Harbor, the popular outlook in the United States was a mood of isolationism, not wanting to get involved in the winds of war which were sweeping the rest of the world at that time. NO FOREIGN ENTANGLEMENTS S TOTAL WAR Statue of Liberty Anti-Aircraft Gun Torch of Freedom Considering the threat abroad, and in harmony with the homeland mood of that time, the USPO issued the three "National Defense" stamps depicted above. These stamps portray industry, agriculture, security, education, conservation, and health as primary elements for defense. The carmine stamp with the anti-aircraft gun portrays even the Army and the Navy as organizations solely for defense. All this changed after the 7 December 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor, and in 1942 a 3-cents Victory Eagle stamp portrayed the new mood. Please visit the next web-page titled "Pearl Harbor 7 Dec. 1941 USA Postmarks during WW2". The following are a preview. & DEC 1 PAYMENT OF BOST ROB 350 The week before the ROLL CALL MIOL Japanese Air Strike on Pearl Harbor DATE OF SHIPS AND ADDRESS AT PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$300 530PM 3 FOR CHRISTMAS S PM 1941 ASK YOUR ROSTMASTER STERED ARTICLE No. 176 DEC SAVINGS BONDS ASK YOUR POSTMASTER Special delivery fee Postmaster, per ... DEC 3 DEC -630 PM FOR 830PM 1941 ENVE DEG 4 2 PM 1941 1941 **Hours before** EARLE FOR the attack 0 EC 4-CHRISTMAS 1941 MAIL EARLY SECURITY EDUCATION CONSERVATION HEALTH CHRISTMAS ANGE DEFENSE SAVING BONDS AND **Hours after** the attack 1941 DEC 8 DEFENSE SAVI Dec 1941 after the air strike 1941 BONDS AND S on Pearl Harbor PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$300 DEC 8 9 **DEFENSE SAVINGS** 4 PM BONDSANDSTAMPS 7947 DE OF CARD IS FOR WELL DEC11 1030AM = HOE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS BUY DEFENSE SAVIN BONDSANDSTAM MAIL RECEIPT FOR INSURED MAIL
DOMESTIC (Induding Canada and Newfoundland)
FEES INCEMBITY PM J cts. 15 1941 Fee paid for return receipt NWAL Restricted delivery fee ... DEFENSESA Mailing Office) POSTMASTER, BONDSANDST 3 CENTS PENALTY FOR PRIVATE US SELPA ENT HE HOSTAG EARLY DEC 16 7-PM FOR E DEC 13 CHRISTMAS 1230PM DEC 18 N 1 1 30AM 1941 55 END 5 WOR 2 PM 1941 017. M 2 DEC 21 2-5M 1941 BUY U S SEVINGS GTON E DEOPCI BUY DEG BONDS ASK YOUR POSTMASTER 19 DEFENSE A.M 1941 BONDSAND