RAILROAD POST OFFICE - UPDATE TWO - 9/1/2017

This is an update to *The United States Railway Post Office Postmark Catalog 1864-1977* by Charles L. Towle and Fred MacDonald, illustrates and briefly describes Florida markings applied on trains and steamboats, and at some terminal points by clerks that were post office employees. Only those markings containing the words "Railway Post Office", the abbreviation "R.P.O.", or known to have been officially used by the railway post office is listed. In most cases the designation is in the circular portion of postmark, but in some cases, it can be found in the RPO clerk handstamp cancel.

Red Highlight in the listing indicates an update to the catalog. If you have a listed or unlisted Florida Route or Station Agent cover or a Transfer Clerk cover, and would like to participate in this listing and census, please send 300dpi scan to RR-FL-Marks@FPHSonline.com. You will be credited in the next updated version.



392-A-2; FT. PIERCE & KEY WEST R.P.O., 30.5, black, 1913, 1914, 1924, T.N., II



328-I-7; HAM & JACK R.P.O., 30, black, 1967, 1968, T.N., I



392-E-4; JACK. & KEY WEST. R.P.O., 30, black, 1934, 1937, T.N., II



392-G-1; JACK. & KEY WEST R.P.O. N.D., 30, black, 1927,32,33,35,44, T.N., I



351-G-2; JACK. & MONTGOMERY R.P.O., 29.5, black, 1909, 1917, T.N., III



383-B-1; JACK OCALA & ST. PETE. R.P.O., 29.5, black, 1941, 1966, T.N., I



381-H-1; JACK. & PENSACOLA R.P.O., 29.5, black, 1914, T.N., II 381-H-1a; JACK. & PENSACOLA R.P.O., 29.5, black, 1909, T.N. on bottom, II



381-J-1; JACK. & PENS. EAST R.P.O., 29.5, black, 1930,44, T.N., I 381-J-1a; JACK. & PENS. EAST R.P.O., 29.5, black, 1928, T.N. on bottom, I



381-M-1; JACK. & PENS. WEST R.P.O., 29.5, black, 1920, 1924, 1934, T.N., I



384-B-5; JACK. & PORT TAMPA R.P.O., 29.5, black, 1914, 1918, T.N., II 9/1/2017; RPO Update #2, Thomas Lera, Author



384-D-3; JACKSONVILLE & TAMPA R.P.O., 29.5, black, 1926,1935, T.N., I



384-A-1; JACK. & TAMPA R.P.O., 27.5, black, 1886,89, II 384-A-1a; JACK. & TAMPA R.P.O., 27.5, black, NYD but there is a year on N.O. & Alexandria Agent Marking (1887), III



389-D-1; JACKSONVILLE, FLA. TERM. R.P.O., 30, black, 1924,28,35,42, 1944, Time, I



377-E-1; MACON & PALATKA R.P.O., 27.5, black, 1906, 1908, T.N., II

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407-E-2; SELMA & PENSA. R.P.O., 28.5, black, 1905, 1906, T.N., II



395.6-A-1; TITUS & SANFORD R.P.O., 29, black, 1908, T.N., III



371-H-2; WAYCROSS & LAKELAND R.P.O., 29, black, 1897, 1898, T.N., III

¹ Kay, John L. and Fred MacDonald with data compiled by Charles L. Towle., 197?, *Mail travel guide*, an updated agent and RPO routes listed by state and railroad with route numbers, directions and maps, Mobile Post Office Society. One volume (loose leaf) with maps.

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- 3. Towle, Charles L. 1975. The United States Transit Markings Catalog, 1837 to 1974. v.1.1837-1886, v.2-3.1887-1974, v.4 1996 edition, by Fred MacDonald including work originally begun by Charles L. Towle. Mobile Post Office Society. Later published as Towle, Charles L, & MacDonald, Fred. The United States Railway Post Office Postmark Catalog 1864-1977. Revised 2001. LL. 1001 p. Shows & classifies markings/killer types. Lists marking, RR name, routes, mileage, rarity factor. Volumes 1 to 3 catalog R.P.O. markings and Volume 4 catalogs Transfer Clerk and Transfer Office markings.
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