

# American Philatelic Society

## Expert Committee Report

Members of the American Philatelic Expertizing Service have examined the item submitted and it is their opinion that it is:

**United States, Scott No. C3a center inverted, Pos. 76, unused, original gum, previously hinged, genuine, thin, reperforated at top, left perfs abraded to removed guide line.**



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EXPERT COMMITTEE

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We have examined the enclosed item, of which a photograph is attached, and *described by the applicant* as follows:

Country: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Cat. No.	Issue	Denom.	Color
C3a	1918	24¢	carmine rose & blue

Scott's unless otherwise specified.

UNUSED, OG, INVERTED CENTER.

AND WE ARE OF THE OPINION THAT:

IT IS A GENUINE UNUSED SCOTT C3a, INVERTED CENTER, POSITION 76, THE BOTTOM RIGHT STAMP FROM THE ORIGINAL BLOCK OF FOUR BELONGING TO ETHEL B. McCOY AND STOLEN FROM HER EXHIBIT ON SEPT. 23, 1955.

THE INVERT WITH PART O.G., A TINY THIN SPOT AT RIGHT, REPERFORATED AT TOP, AND ALSO REPERFORATED AT LEFT TO ELIMINATE THE VERTICAL GUIDE LINE APPEARING ON THE STAMP IN ITS ORIGINAL STATE.



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For The Expert Committee  
Chairman

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