

# U. S. PLATE VARIETIES

## SHIFT HUNTER LETTER

COMPILED FROM THE RECORDS  
of  
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Dear Shift Hunter:

The data found in Mr. Bedford's records for the Upper Right & Lower Left panes of Plate No. 5092.

Unfortunately we are unable to place Nos. 32, 42 & 52 Left as being Upper Left OR Lower Left. This also applies to the right Plate No. 5092 stamps No. 69, 70 & 79. Question---are they UPPER OR LOWER Right?

We thought we had the solution to this problem but, in our checking the stamps of the Plate Number block of six, we saw that #31 U.L (Illustrated in May 1938 S.H.L) did not agree with #31 of the Left Plate No. block. The same is true for the Right Plate Number block. We had two blocx of this stamp, one of six (2x3) and one of eight (2x4). Nos. 49-50-59-60-69- & 70 would not cross check so we are unable to state U.R or L.R. Possibly some of the Shift Hunters can furnish correct data on this matter? This is no doubt the reason C.W. did not give the data which he had accumulated. He was waiting until he had the problem solved.

We are not trying to wear the C.W mantle. Only striving to help Philately and keep Mr. Bedford's name to the front on Plate Varieties---which to me is---as it should be.

In September a C.W. Bedford Memorial Exhibit (at Cedar Rapids, Iowa) was made possible through the efforts of Dr. G. C. Fritschel of Dubuque, Iowa. This consisted of a large frame with two coil strips having the famous 1¢ Error. In addition, part of C.W.'s Educational Volume was on display.

Sincerely yours,

GEO. BLACK

