

Post Office Stamp Windows Attract Counterfeit Bills

If you hand a postal clerk a \$20 bill and ask for a five cent stamp, don't be irritated if he holds the bill up to the light, or disappears for a moment to confer with a supervisor.

Unless you're trying to pass off a counterfeit bill, there's no reason to be upset. The clerk is just protecting his interests.

One of the dirtiest tricks

a crook can pull is to buy postage stamps that the government printed, using money that the government didn't print. The government is supposed to have a monopoly on both items.

Stamps are as good as cash, and the "rewards" are even better if purchased with counterfeit money.

The man in the middle, in most cases, is the postal clerk

who parts with an expensive sheet of stamps in return for a bogus bill. He can't pass it on the next customer, and although the government will take the bill, it won't give him anything for it.

GENUINE STAMPS are becoming an increasingly popular item with counterfeiters. They are easy to dispose of, and almost impossible to trace.

When purchased with phony money, stamps can be fenced at a considerable discount and still produce a sizable profit.

FHS Psychology Club Plans Sale

The Franklin Psychology club will hold a bake sale during lunch hour Friday, Jan. 19.

Baked goods contributed by members of the club will be

to the seller. Eventually, they may wind up in the hands of a perfectly legitimate businessman, who paid the full price for the stamps--with real money.

One man who knows about the increasing popularity of stamps with crooks put it this way: "A guy can walk into a post office, buy 50 cents worth of stamps with a \$10 (counterfeit) bill, write home to mother and still have \$9.50."

During the last fiscal year, the post office had 822 cases where it picked up the tab for an employee duped by a counterfeit bill. It doesn't know exactly how many employees had to make good--out of their own pockets--for "carelessly" accepting counterfeit money.

THE COMPTROLLER general, in one case, ruled that postal employees must bear the responsibility for loss when they are taken in by a counterfeit bill.

The postmaster general thought that a little harsh, and appealed the decision. It was upheld--by the comptroller general.

EMPLOYEES HAVE been accused, the guide says, in cases where their office was not alerted or type of counterfeit was loose in the area. Also, they may be excused from liability, if the bill is of such quality that, in effect, it would fool almost anybody.

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