III Olympic Winter Games Lake Placid 1932

Commemorative Stamp

A basic 2 cents stamp was issued on 25 January 1932
It was engraved by J. Eissler from a design by A.R. Meissner.
The printing was 51,102,800, by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Washington D.C.



Pre-Cancels

Like all U.S. issues at the time, it was widely pre-cancelled for newspaper and other bulk mailings.

The pre-cancels were applied by various methods, e.g typographed by sheet, or hand-applied by rubber roller

















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The stamp was printed in sheets of 400 guillotined into 4 panes of 100. This results in stamps that are imperforate on one or two sides

An outline of the 2 right-hand panes (note the red guillotine lines):





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First Day Postmarks

There was no pictorial postmark, and most FDCs were cancelled with the Lake Placid wavy line cancel, time set at 10.30 AM



This registered FDC also has a circular 'dumb' cancel. Postage is 1c. overpaid - postage was 2c. and registration 15c.

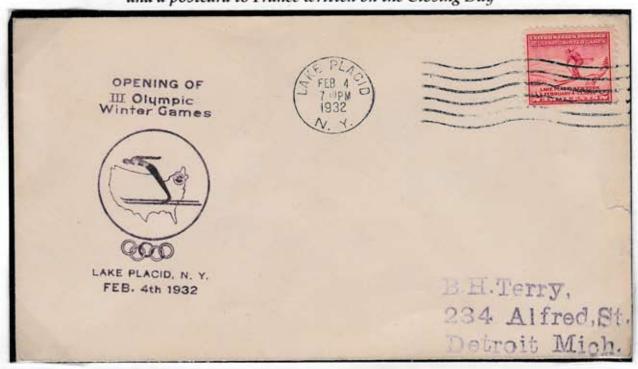
The headquarters of the I.O.C was at Lake Placid Club. It had its own post office until after the 1980 Olympic Winter Games. Only a few FDCs are known posted from there:

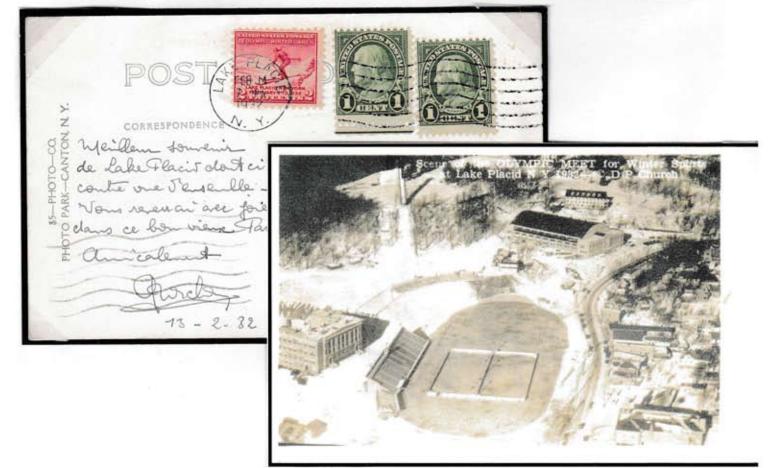


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Opening and Closing of the Games:

A 'philatelic' Opening Day cover, and a postcard to France written on the Closing Day





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