

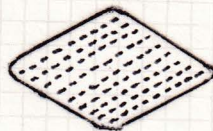




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BLOMFIELD Type Miscel.B-4

The entire "B-4" series is typified by solid frame around the rhomboid of fairly heavy dashes. It seems to exist in several sizes and in at least one recorded case (4.05) in other than eighty-one (9x9) dots.



Boulad indicates first usage on the 1914 pictorials. This example, being at least 1937, would show the obliterator in use for quite a period.

Dimensionally, this example seems to match Blomfield's illustration horizontally, but it significantly larger vertically. It may, therefore, be a later variety than the B-4.

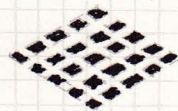
A clear strike, with the diamond framed in; the horizontal dimension is approximately 31 mm. (which would seem to distinguish Type 4.5) but this is an 8x8, or 64 dot, diamond!



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BLOMFIELD Type Miscel.B-5.2

The B-5 series is an unframed rhomboid with substantially larger "dots". This is the smallest of the group, being twenty-five in a 5x5 layout.



Boulad first notes the 5x5 on the 1927 issue. Here it is at least ten years later, though with a perceptible curvature in the outline. Both Blomfield's and Boulad's illustrations show parallel straight sides.



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BLOMFIELD Type Miscel.B-8

This is a unique type obliterator. Boulad, in his L'ORIENT PHILATELIQUE article, tells of first encountering it on the 1937 "boy king" issue. Such is the first example, the 2 mill, below.

It consists of thirty-six quite identical crosses formed into a 6x6 square.

