

Introduction of Special Delivery service and Early usage Forerunner issues



Special Delivery, 1901, 10¢ Dark Blue. Tied by "Manila P.I., **Dec 4 1901**" **first day** duplex on 2¢ entire from the Zug correspondence to Everett Wash. USA. Most claimed as being the first day but may not be the case. There is a known sent cover with an USPI E1 dated "Nov '01". A different cover from preceding page, posted same date/time but cancel marks differ.



John Zug, Jr., was born on May 1, 1869. In 1877, then age 8, he began stamp collecting. He received an engineering degree from Johns Hopkins University in 1892. He married Katherine Davey on September 20, 1899. Zug, Jr. acted as an assistant to his father in laying out Bowie in the 1890s. Later he became a civil and hydrographic engineer for the U.S. government, dredging harbors in Washington State and later working with engineers and roadbuilders in Alaska. Zug had a daughter, Frances Anna Zug, born September 10, 1907. During World War I, Zug served as a captain with the Corps of Engineers and was discharged in April of 1920. Zug then returned to Bowie, recommenced survey work in Bowie and became a member of the American Numismatic Association He continued

dealing in rare coins into the 1940s and died on October 23, 1949.