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## KNOW YOUR COVERS!

Contact Sets

A *Contact Set* is a set of covers that form a bigger picture when put side-by-side. They were introduced prior to WW II. They're sometimes referred to as Panoramas. The late Jim Moffett's collection numbered 144 such sets.

Pictured here are two of the covers from the famous 1930s Filippo Berio set. The early issues of *Contact Sets* are 20-strikes, but the majority are much newer sets consisting of 30-strikes. I don't believe I've ever seen a 40-strike set.

They're quite a show-stopper when such set's covers are set up as a display.

