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## The Andrew Jackson "Error" in the New Presidential Issue

THE new Presidential set recently brought out by Diamond Match Co. and now being offered in twin-packs throughout the country, contains 32 separate covers instead of 31 as reported by several sources.

There are two different covers for Andrew Jackson, one of which presents a very definite "error" in the biographical sketch on the back cover. Although both covers carry the same manufacturer's number—Pl-31-7—two different wordings appear in the reading matter. On one cover, the first sentence of the biographical sketch reads—A powerful and colorful figure, well known as "Old Hickory." On the other cover the first sentence of the biography reads—A powerful and colorful figure known as "Stonewall Jackson."

The research department of the Diamond Match Co. certainly slipped up badly in preparing the biographical sketch for the initial run of these Jackson covers. Andrew Jackson was never known as Stonewall Jackson. This nickname was applied only to Thomas Jonathan Jackson, a Lieutenant-General with the southern forces during the Civil War. Andrew Jackson was familiarly known as Old Hickory.

Just how many covers the Diamond Co. printed of the Andrew Jackson item is difficult to ascertain. The error

may have been discovered soon after the run was started or not until the full run was completed. In any event, new plates were prepared, with correction made in the biographical sketch. The original quantity run was either completed with the corrected Jackson plates, or an additional run may have been made of the single subject. At any rate, case lots containing the "error" were made up and sent out to at least a few jobbers because some collectors have already secured the set complete.

Incidentally, the Jackson "error" may be considered a very desirable cover. Obviously, subsequent printings of the Presidential set, if any are made, will not include the Jackson "error."

### PLAIN FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Naval covers have been a favored specialty with a great many serious Book Match collectors for a number of years and are becoming increasingly popular each day. They are also becoming increasingly difficult to secure direct and if collectors do not call a halt on their untimely and persistent requests for covers, from officers and friends on ships at sea, as well as Naval shore bases, there is a possibility that their issuance may be discontinued entirely or the output greatly curtailed.