COLLECTING HISTORY
125 YEARS OF THE NATIONAL PHILATELIC COLLECTION
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The National Philatelic Collection celebrates its 125th anniversary in 2011. Collecting History remembers a few of the hundreds of donors who have given their collections to the Smithsonian for the benefit of the nation, and explores the decisive role played by twelve curators in developing the national collection and exhibiting it to the public.

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Reverse: The Smithsonian’s Hall of Philately and Postal History opened in 1964 and incorporated stamp production equipment, including this transfer press used to create stamp printing plates.

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