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Mr. Russell K. Soderquist
P. O. Box 1852
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Dear Mr. Soderquist:

Re Rotary Postal Padlock

I have been closely associated with Sargent & Greenleaf since 1949, and the rotary postal padlock was being produced by S&G when I became President in May 1952.

In my collection, I have three models, one of which was produced by Sargent & Greenleaf which case was sandcast in bronze in our foundries in Rochester, New York. One key fit all of these locks and security was dependent upon the counter.

For some reason in the previous years--about 1938--the U. S. Postal Service decided to produce their own padlocks: a) one model with a stamped brass case and b) a model with a cast case. The two models produced by the Government were slightly different from the S&G product and all were easily recognized as being manufactured by S&G or the U. S. Government.

To the best of my recollection, both S&G and the U. S. Government discontinued manufacturing these models in early 1954.

I trust this information will be of some help to you.

Kind personal regards,

Harry C. Miller
Chairman of the Board and
Chief Executive Officer

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