

# KNOW YOUR COVERS!

## Bobtailed Covers!

**Ouch!** There was a time, before standards became accepted throughout the hobby, when many collectors would cut the striker portion of the cover off...after all, it was often messed up, and it was the rest of the cover that had the art work and advertising on it. The result is worse than gluing covers into albums, because bobtailed covers can't be undone...although you'll run into crafty examples where collectors have attached the top portion from another cover in order to 'save' a DQ or the like...but there's no repair job that is acceptable. There's nothing keeping you from saving bobtailed covers, but they're seen as worthless. They still may have uses, though. For example, as long as I can make out what the manumark was, I can still use them for listing purposes...so if you have any unwanted bobbed Oldies, you can send them to me.

