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## **1. Universal postal service network in Pakistan in line with UPU**

Nov 3, 2010.

'Pakistan Times' Federal Bureau

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan Post is providing a universal postal service network in line with Universal Postal Union (UPU) strategy.

An official of Pakistan Post said that the aim of the network is to ensure secure and timely delivery of mail, money and material at affordable cost through utilization of people, process and technology and innovative product offerings.

He said that Pakistan Post is providing postal services in every nook and corner of the country through a network of around 13,000 post offices.

“Post is also providing delivery services to about 20 million households and businesses as community service without any cost considerations”, he said.

He said that in addition to its traditional role, the Pakistan Post also performs agency functions on behalf of Federal and Provincial governments, which inter-alia include Saving Bank, Postal Life Insurance, Collection of Taxes, Collection of Electricity, Water, Sui Gas and Telephone bills.

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## **2. Missing mail found at postal employee's home**

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CBC News

Canada Post has fired a 61-year-old employee after investigators found thousands of pieces of missing mail stacked in piles in the man's home.

Canada Post investigators first uncovered some of the missing mail in the man's locker in the men's change room at a Canada Post facility on River Road in Richmond, B.C.

On Oct. 1, they called in the RCMP, who searched the man's home and found a total of 12,000 missing pieces of mail, some dating back seven years, along with five unregistered firearms.

Canada Post spokeswoman Anik Losier said about 80 per cent of the missing mail was ad-mail, and there does not appear to be evidence that the man was opening any letters.

"I'm told he was keeping all the mail in piles," she said.

Police are recommending the man, who worked for Canada Post for 42 years, face one charge of theft from mail, five counts of careless use of a firearm and five counts of unauthorized possession of a firearm.

Police said his name won't be released until he appears in court in November.  
Mail to be delivered

Canada Post says people will start receiving their missing mail in the next few days, along with a letter explaining what happened.

An estimated 12,000 missing pieces of mail were recovered from the home of a Canada Post employee. An estimated 12,000 missing pieces of mail were recovered from the home of a Canada Post employee. (RCMP) Losier said despite the alleged theft, mail is safe at Canada Post and the incident should not create any anxiety about the safety of the mail.

"We take mail security extremely seriously. We have an excellent team of postal investigators that work all the time to ensure the mail is very safe," she said.

She advised anyone who thinks his or her mail is going missing to contact Canada Post.

"If people are waiting for their mail and they see a delay or something they should immediately let us know so that we can investigate further and make sure the mail is always safe as it should be," she said.

### **Story comments :**

1. x-pack wrote:Posted 2010/10/18  
at 1:41 AM ETEvery one has paid for this service . Why can't we get what we paid for !? .

2. woomba wrote:Posted 2010/10/16  
at 11:43 PM ETI was once told by a longtime letter carrier that temporary Xmas staff steal more mail and as long as they don't get too many complaints; they let it be. How

many (very innocently) people that send parcels check to make sure they are received? And nowadays young folk aren't great for notifying you with a Thank You for wedding gifts etc.

Last year we received a parcel 2 years old because a person that had taken it left it in his apartment when he moved out-guess he didn't need baby clothes.

3. davejames wrote:Posted 2010/10/16  
at 10:42 PM ETWhat...but seven years ago I told my wife that I was leaving her for that woman in Delta...and when I did not get a reply letter from that woman in Delta...and then I had to tell my wife that I had changed my mind...and I had to convince her...and you should see what I had to give up and promise to ...

...aaaargh!

4. Spongebob's pal wrote:Posted 2010/10/16  
at 2:16 PM ETIt is not called "junk mail". It is called "direct advertising literature".  
Get with the times, eh.

5. Don't lie to me wrote:Posted 2010/10/16  
at 1:54 PM ETWhy bother telling Canada Post if your mail is missing. They simply dismiss it while looking at you like you are the one with the third eye! Oh you are just imagining it.

6. souls5 wrote:Posted 2010/10/16  
at 11:58 AM ETDespite all the tongue-in-cheek comments here, this is a horrendous story. Sent a shiver down my spine: 80% of that missing mail might have been junk, but 20% wasn't. That 20% could be mail that might have changed lives. Each and every letter was written by a person that needed to make contact.

As any writer knows, trying to sell your manuscript and get your book on the shelf is 50% talent and 50% luck. Agents and publishers don't accept manuscripts anymore, but answer, if you are lucky, a query letter that you've painstakingly written in the ONE chance you have to sell yourself to this agent. It can take up to 3 months or more to get a reply...most times a rejection note, but still, a reply. Many, if not most, will not deal with writers online and choose the paper route. Getting that reply that may ask for a copy of your book (VERY rarely), or at least, a synopsis (if you're super lucky), is incredibly important and may change your life. If you get no reply, its easy to give up completely.

Now factor in that a postie is hiding your reply and you think you've been rejected yet again!!

This contact can make or break a writers career. Probably other careers too...and for sure, a relationship. Imagine a person writing to declare their love for somebody, only to have it never delivered...or a long held secret revealed that could have changed or saved a life...or a gift of money or a cheque that could have been life changing. There are endless scenarios.

Breaks my heart that so many lives could have been so terribly affected.

7. x-pack wrote:Posted 2010/10/16  
at 3:00 AM ETWhat are we talking about here ? Pony express!!! We are 7 years late  
but we do deliver . I'm dead now , please forward the balance owing to my relatives .  
Sometimes you just have to laugh . Excellent team my ass . Far from EXCELLENT .

8. tobyQC wrote:Posted 2010/10/15  
at 5:36 PM ETQuite an odd story...

9. 643211 wrote:Posted 2010/10/15  
at 3:27 PM ET"We take mail security extremely seriously. We have an excellent team  
of postal investigators that work all the time to ensure the mail is very safe," [A.  
Loser] said

safe in the house of a 61-year-old disgruntled employee

10. Zionist Shill aka Aromatic Bovine on the Alpine wrote:Posted 2010/10/15  
at 2:35 PM ETFunny how I tell people they can replace government-issued cheques,  
and I get two thumbs down. No one says, "Really? How?"

Government coffers are filled will money belonging to people like yourselves who  
would rather be victims of the system than find out how to claim their own money.

But, I guess we're all like that to a degree, not claiming credits that are ours because  
we haven't got a round tuit.

11. grantdude wrote:Posted 2010/10/15  
at 1:35 PM ETtoo bad he still gets his pension

12. Jochen Peiper wrote:Posted 2010/10/15  
at 1:25 PM ETCanada Post delivers millions of pieces of mail daily and to expect  
them to be able to trace one customers complaint of a missing piece of mail is absurd.  
I believe they would investigate the complaint to the best of their ability by discussing  
the issue with the letter carrier but as the union is strong it is very difficult to hold  
them accountable. When there is undeniable proof, as in this case, that mail was  
delayed or taken out of its course (ie stolen or hidden) then there is an ability to  
discipline. Canada Post is no more or no less fo a corrupt corporation than any  
other...see Enron, WorldCom, or scads of other private companies that are far more  
corrupt.

13. CDarwin wrote:Posted 2010/10/15  
at 1:00 PM ET> "We take mail security extremely seriously. We have an excellent  
team of postal investigators that work all the time to ensure the mail is very safe,"

What a load of crap. I couldn't stop laughing after that point in the story.

Our company orders empty mailing containers from Canada Post all the time for our  
mail department. In this "empty" equipment, there has been personal mail, junk mail,

utility bills, corporate invoices, and hospital records in there and I had to repost them back into our local Canada Post office for delivery.

14. Zionist Shill aka Aromatic Bovine on the Alpine wrote:Posted 2010/10/15 at 12:52 PM ETBoy, I'd be pissed if I had a GST cheque or a Tax Refund in there...

Those can be replaced. And it's not like you shouldn't have known they were coming.

15. Drareg wrote:Posted 2010/10/15 at 12:07 PM ETThere seems to be much confusion about the delivery of flyers by Canada Post.

Although you will not find the information at the Canada Post website, just use a search engine with the phrase \* consumer choice at Canada Post\*

You do not have to accept unsolicited flyers at your residence.

Out of self interest, and financial gain, Canada Post does not publisize this information.

16. soon2010 wrote:Posted 2010/10/15 at 11:58 AM ETWith this news item, I have to wonder if Canadian's commenting here are also being regulated in some way to reduce the anecdotes about complaints to Canada Post. I typed a lengthy anecdote last night very pertinent to this article and it's nowhere to be found! How many others have done the same.

As my previous attempt to share my own nightmare of missing mail with Canada Post has obviously failed, I will attempt a second time to comment.

With years of problems with incorrectly delivered mail, my own mail missing that included one month of every single bill going missing and never being returned to sender (I checked), held mail having missing mail over a stretch of 5 weeks, my complaints really went nowhere.

If one complains to the sorting office, the manager's there will tell you that "there is nothing they can do" or "let us know when you are missing mail." The latter being such an oxymoron as much mail may be personal and one doesn't know it's being sent!

Dealing with the so-called Customer Care doesn't solve a thing either as they will often refer back to the very sorting office that gives such dreadful service. Even the Ombudsman if contacted will say that they can do nothing about problems with mail delivery and this is supposed to be a service for the citizens to have as a last resort.

News flash, there is no place to go to really complain about missing mail. I would guess this postal worker's route had many, many complaints from those missing mail and absolutely nothing was done. That's why 7 years has gone by.

Nothing that I read now about Canada Post surprises me. Many postal workers don't even walk anywhere anymore, using vans for even city routes all the while listening to their ipods as they deliver mail, if they do! Are they paying attention, nah!

17. Georooney wrote:Posted 2010/10/15  
at 11:16 AM ETCanada Post spokeswoman Anik Losier said about 80 per cent of the missing mail was ad-mail, and there does not appear to be evidence that the man was opening any letters.

Loony Tunes. Promote this guy to head of Canada Post, don't fire him. At least he'll have an idea why Canada Post loses mail.

His biggest crime was not delivering the flyers.....that's where Canada Post really makes most of their money.

18. drriley wrote:Posted 2010/10/15  
at 11:14 AM ETI pity those who are about to receive 7 years of back-dated junk mail, or as Canada Post likes to call it "ad mail." Better make sure there is room in the recycling box -- mine is kept right by the mailbox, so I can easily toss the bulk of what Canada Post delivers right into the bin.

And, this comment was priceless:  
Losier said despite the alleged theft, mail is safe at Canada Post and the incident should not create any anxiety about the safety of the mail. "We take mail security extremely seriously. We have an excellent team of postal investigators that work all the time to ensure the mail is very safe," she said.

Yeah, Canada Post take these matters SO seriously and has such a crack team of investigators that it took them, apparently, 7 years to figure out what was going on.

Perhaps Canada Post would like to try a proactive approach to customer service: Rather than waiting for people to phone the call centre when mail doesn't arrive or there are other issues, how about sending all mail customers an annual survey and actually seek out comments and information from the customers. Maybe this would be more effective at improving service, as I know from experience how pointless it is to contact the call centre.

19. cone-dodger wrote:Posted 2010/10/15  
at 11:14 AM ETHappened to me 5 or 6 years ago... We dont get a lot of mail normally and have a 'no junk mail' sign .. but when the cable company called and asked when Id be paying my bill and what my new address was (uhh what?) we realized it'd been a number of weeks since we'd seen anything..

Called Canada Post once and was told 'Oh, we'll look into it and call you' .. after a week I still had no call and no mail.. Called them again and finally got a local manager.. after having to harass him a couple more times.. he told me that the carrier had put a note in the bag for that route that we didnt live there anymore.. and started bouncing all our mail back to the sender..

Only.. we havent left home on vacation or anything in a few years.. collect the mail every day..

Meanwhile.. at my current place we continue to get mail for every person who has lived here in the last 15 years.. yeesh..

20. MikeSeegan wrote:Posted 2010/10/15  
at 10:54 AM ET61 y.o and he's still a letter carrier? Maybe some upper age limit should be set for this job, don't you think postal union? get real.

In the meantime, I don't think he was the only one not doing his job, I can think of a few others who must not have been doing theirs very well either.

21. puddles3 wrote:Posted 2010/10/15  
at 9:48 AM ETYes, we don't get mail at our condo in Edmonton. You complain, but all you get from the lazy postal investigator is "we will look into it!"

Nothing changes in the "union" postal Canada environment. No one cares !

22. LabLover wrote:Posted 2010/10/15  
at 9:19 AM ETToo lazy to deliver it.

23. skye60 wrote:Posted 2010/10/15  
at 7:50 AM ETNow let's check our postie here in Sudbury. He doesn't show up when it's raining and seems to like 6 day long-weekends (typical for here), etc. Lots of expected mail never arrives or is 2-3 weeks late. Seems everytime the rates go up the service sinks. Can't fire the guy. The union is too strong. We've made numerous complaints and the only answer is typical, "We'll look into it".

24. MikeWalker wrote:Posted 2010/10/15  
at 7:50 AM ETIf 5 guns gets him 5 charges of possession of an unregistered weapon, shouldn't he be getting 12,000 charges of theft from mail?

25. dogslife wrote:Posted 2010/10/15  
at 7:06 AM ETCBC did not post this yesterday  
5 unregistered weapons= 10 charges  
12,000 missing pieces of mail, some dating back seven years= 1 charge of theft  
I never did understand the new math  
re-posted oct 15 5:05 am mct

26. dragonspin wrote:Posted 2010/10/15  
at 4:56 AM ETnow I know where my missing parcel's may have gone - even if it wasn't this man..who knows how many dishonest people work at CPost...which is sad for those who are law abiding citizens, and moral employees!!

I seriously have had a few parcels go missing....some that were worth money, but not insurable...sucks, but what can we do? I refuse to reduce myself to paranoia.

27. waterwings wrote:Posted 2010/10/15  
at 12:13 AM ETThe reason 80% of mail was ad mail is because 80% of the mail we receive IS ad mail.

Sounds like he basically decided to just not deliver the mail some days--getting old perhaps?

I wonder how many Birthday and Christmas Cards he stole over the 42 years on the job.

I hope he is kept locked up until they know he's harmless.

28. cariboob wrote:Posted 2010/10/15  
at 12:11 AM ETI don't think he had any motives. I know this man. He DOES have issues. It's a VERY sad case. Good luck, friend.

29. express wrote:Posted 2010/10/15  
at 12:07 AM ETYah I remember that one,Jerry ended up delivering the mail but Newman still didn't get his transfer to Hawaii.

30. meancree wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 11:44 PM ETThen the Post Office will hire any one who can breathe and read numbers. Part time, casual and term employees only. Maybe less wages depending on conditions. Then we will see "dedication" (sarcasm) to their career. Staff turnover and absenteeism notwithstanding. Can you say "McMail Jobs?" I knew you could. Afraid not. CP is union. Nobody down there working for minimum wage. Get a job at CP and yer set for life.

31. poorboy2 wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 10:40 PM ETCanada Post has fired the employee?..  
Wow!!! That's extreme..and one that Canada Post may lose in court and in arbitration, and be justly penalized because of it.  
I can understand 'firing' after all the facts have been collected and understood. This guy has to see a doctor, for some mental help. There hasn't been enough time to do this. Just another case of a 'manager abusing his/her authority. The employee has certain rights I reckon, and perhaps putting him on suspension or whatever until the facts are known might have been better. Dumb on both counts.

32. Grizzly West wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 9:53 PM ETHe worked at Canada Post for 42 years?

This would put his start date at 1968,,,,, a few years before Canada even started the Postal Code!

I find this a very strange case. The man obviously has mental problems and he should have retired years ago

What I find strangest however is how he could have been hoarding mail for 7 years without anyone catching on? Also.. he had mail hidden in 7 lockers?  
How on earth do you get assigned 7 lockers at your workplace?

What a sad ending for this guys life. He's now looking at jail time and the possible loss of any pension, and he'll likely never work again anywhere.

The judge should ask for a psychiatric evaluation to be done before sentencing.

33. benbarclay wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 9:51 PM ETThe "excellent team of investigators" took seven years to find this guy.

Excellent, dude !!

34. Miracle Max wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 9:49 PM ET@ Wontquit

He is 61 years old and has worked 6 years past the max on his pension....So even though he will be fired he will collect his full pension and benefits.

35. Larry RS wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 9:38 PM ETThis puts a new twist on the saying "Goes Postal".

I worked in the Post Office in vancouver and Victoria in the early 1970s. Most of the people were normal but gradually it seemed as if the weirdos took over and only hired other weirdies. So this story doesnt surprise me.

36. Canadian Brown wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 9:24 PM ETThe 'Charge' is evidence of What Mail has Descended to, there was a time MAIL was considered Sacred, and as such carried Stiffer Penalties than Careless storage of Firearms.

37. ccbrian wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 9:08 PM ETI bet he stored the mails to cut slack from mail delivery...that would explain why junk mails were stored and why most letters are unopened.

he's just being lazy!

38. mile22 wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 8:56 PM ETDoes Canada Post look for dingdongs?

Or is it the job that drives them slightly off their trolley?

39. wontquit wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 8:42 PM ETThe man's pension maxed out at 35 years service if he had reached the age of 55. He would have retired at 70% of his pay plus medical benefits. Which is just about the time he started hiding the mail. If he couldn't handle the load anymore,better to retire with honour than be drummed out in disgrace. Must be a mental health problem here.

40. Gambitdude wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 8:38 PM ETThere are thousand and thousand of employees, if one gets caught it goes across the nation. Has anyone been charged with theft where you work?

If it was a bank, I can assure you it wouldn't be getting into the media. I won't judge a whole corporation, but a guy who didn't deliver flyers.

41. edibleplum wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 8:36 PM ETLooks like my place...\*grin\*

42. motherbear wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 8:16 PM ETMy postie decided of his own volition to withhold my mail for three weeks without following procedures. This should not have happened though nothing was done to him.

43. Devine507 wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 8:11 PM ETI wonder if he was a hoarder.

44. Hassel99 wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 8:03 PM ETCoolVoiceofReason wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 7:22 PM ETwallyj wrote:  
baddog and others; You can easily opt out of delivery of 'junk mail' by placing a note or sticker on your mailbox requesting that it be stopped. It will take you a minute or so,and will solve the problem.  
The most this might do is stop private flyer delivery people. If someone has PAID Canada Post to deliver mail, no matter what it is, then by law it must be delivered. And if I was an advertiser being charged by CP to deliver my mail to you I wouldn't give a d\*\*m whether you wanted it or not-if I pay, you are guaranteed to get it!

You are wrong, notice there is no stamp on flyers? you can opt out by putting a "no junk mail" sticker on your box. Addressed mail of course must be deliver...well SHOULD be as we found out in this story

45. munsterlander wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 8:00 PM ETIf he was a cop he would have been suspended with pay

46. poorboy2 wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 7:56 PM ETThere have been cases like this in the past. Usually its just a lazy postal worker. Other times its an employee with dementia, or some other form of mental problems. Sometimes its just plain theft.  
If the RCMP are suggesting that the man be charged with 1 count of theft, their focus is on the firearms. period!  
42 years is a long time. The man is 61, and has worked for the Post Office for 42 years The man should have retired 7 years ago. Sad story.

47. mow the lawn wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 7:54 PM ETThe truth is it comes down to your letter carrier and your neighbours. You'll never really know if one of your expected letters was mis-delivered to a low life who never returned to the carrier or decided not to walk it over to your place.

48. NicoleBerube wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 7:51 PM ETMam, the word "vigilance" has just lost its meaning.

49. Both the same wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 7:50 PM ETYou know what they say about Canada Post: it costs \$0.57 to mail a letter in Canada - that's two cents for postage and 55 cents for storage . . .

50. walter2 wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 7:35 PM ET"We take mail security extremely seriously"

wow, I think that comment really has to be taken with a bag of salt when you consider he has 7 (SEVEN) years of mail.....it seems their vigilance is not really very noticeable until they accidentally see some in his locker, at which point they swing into belated action roughly 84 months later.

51. Rainyrichmond wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 7:28 PM ETCanada Post?? Our crack losers of mail and late deliverers of magazines?? Get on with ya!!!

52. Son of Rage and Love wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 7:25 PM ETAnyone who thinks his or her mail is going missing to contact Canada Post.

Yeah right. I called last Christmas and was told to prove it or they couldn't do anything...

How do you know was the reaction...

Canada Post is a joke.

53. Clara4001 wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 7:22 PM ETCanada Post says our mail is safe! Ha! We are lucky if we get mail 2x a week - our mailperson drives his car to the end of the block (not a long one) and it is filled with junk. We have a home-based business so to receive mail only 2-3 times a week is just weird. Plus we are always getting calls asking for payments or responses to items that were sent to us. Our magazines, McLeans, New Yorker, etc are constantly not being received. We are almost at the point of getting a post office box which will really be a hassle.

54. CoolVoiceofReason wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 7:22 PM ETwallyj wrote:  
baddog and others; You can easily opt out of delivery of 'junk mail' by placing a note or sticker on your mailbox requesting that it be stopped. It will take you a minute or so, and will solve the problem.  
The most this might do is stop private flyer delivery people. If someone has PAID Canada Post to deliver mail, no matter what it is, then by law it must be delivered. And if I was an advertiser being charged by CP to deliver my mail to you I wouldn't give a d\*\*m whether you wanted it or not-if I pay, you are guaranteed to get it!

55. missygirl wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 7:16 PM ETIf that's all it is, is ad mail, please return to sender, alternative is the recycle bin.

56. Spongebob's pal wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 6:57 PM ETExpect to see more of this in a few years down the road when most all the "old school" letter carriers retire. Many will retire within the next ten years based on demographics. Then the Post Office will hire any one who can breathe and read numbers. Part time, casual and term employees only. Maybe less wages depending on conditions. Then we will see "dedication" (sarcasm) to their career. Staff turnover and absenteeism notwithstanding. Can you say "McMail Jobs?" I knew you could.

57. judgab50 wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 6:47 PM ETif its ad mail, they can keep mine, save me from throwing it out

58. wallyj wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 6:39 PM ETbaddog and others; You can easily opt out of delivery of 'junk mail' by placing a note or sticker on your mailbox requesting that it be stopped. It will take you a minute or so, and will solve the problem.

59. BC Narwhal wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 6:25 PM ETOh sure, deliver it after 7 years. I'm sure those people haven't moved.

I personally have moved 6 times in the past 7 years. Good luck tracking me down!

Boy, I'd be pissed if I had a GST cheque or a Tax Refund in there...

60. Voska1 wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 6:23 PM ETYeah right like they will do a thing for you if you don't get you mail when expected. Seriously, have you tried. I have, they won't help unless you paid for service.

61. daraohuiginn wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 6:20 PM ETI wish our mailman would keep all the spam mail at his house. Unfortunatly Canada Post does not give an opt out option as they get big payments to deliver the admail.  
This maks Canada Post probably the biggest contributor to waste paper pollution in the country. The Government should step in and creat a "do not deliver spam mail" list that Canada Post and advertisers must adhere to. Think of the massive numbers of trees that could be saved.  
It would also help if the real estate industry would stop stuffing us with agent ad cards.

62. SecoundThought wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 6:20 PM ETSure the employee's name isn't "Newman " ?

63. EarnstSewn wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 6:19 PM ETI echo others that have posted: If it's just ad mail, give him a raise!

64. Canuck47 wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 6:16 PM ETWhy are we still delivering mail door to door in this country? We can't afford to keep mail carriers on the payroll just because of the historical significance of the job. The money can be used elsewhere. Super boxes must be established in all neighbourhoods immediately.

65. jbroey wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 6:15 PM ETWhy Do We Need Letter Carriers

Just get mail boxes for everyone..  
I mean those on street corners  
-NOT IN BUILDINGS-

66. Smoothie wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 6:14 PM ETPostal Employee working for 42 years, 5 unregistered guns, 12,000 pieces of mail...dating back some 7 years...He was a quiet man..."He's planning on going Postal..."

67. Injustice- wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 5:59 PM ETWhy is this person still working? Isn't 42 years of work enough?

68. baddogg wrote:Posted 2010/10/14

at 5:49 PM ET If it's just ad mail, he still does deserve to be canned as companies pay to have mail delivered. However, I hate that stuff and I wish we can opt out but we can't. I have the equivalent of a dead tree every year in my box.

69. GoneFishin wrote: Posted 2010/10/14

at 5:41 PM ET When it goes to court they will probably order a psych assessment - who in their right mind hoards ad mail? If he has a mental condition/disability (OCD/compulsive hoarding) he may still get his pension. Firing him if he did these things due to disability or mental illness is against Human Rights legislation.

70. garrybee wrote: Posted 2010/10/14

at 5:39 PM ET Thank god they recovered all the junk mail. I'm sure the folks will be very much relieved now that they know the criminal has been caught and their ads will now flow smoothly thru their hands on the way to the recycling bin. I wonder what the connection is between the guns and the mail though? Was he perhaps shooting select envelopes?

71. upanddown wrote: Posted 2010/10/14

at 5:30 PM ET I agree with some of the other posters. His union will grieve his firing and get him his job back with either:

1. disability leave for psychological issues; or
2. reassignment to an inside position.

We used to have a letter carrier in our neighbourhood who skipped certain parts of her walk on certain days. We never received any mail on Mondays when she was here.

Then there's the letter carrier I see most mornings on my 6AM walk retrieving a bag of mail from the holding box, before the delivery van brings that day's bags and notices some left from yesterday.

BTW you can turn off unaddressed junk mail. Google around a bit and you will find a Canada Post program whereby you send your local substation a letter requesting no unaddressed mail and then put a notice to that effect on your letter box. It works like a charm for me. Of course, some of the junk mailers have figured that out so they address it to "The Occupant" at my address which technically counts as addressed mail. But at least the volume of junk is cut down very substantially.

72. Grizzly West wrote: Posted 2010/10/14

at 5:29 PM ET This man could have retired with a full pension 6 years ago so yes indeed he obviously has some 'issues' upstairs.

It sounds like it was more of a case of simply not delivering his assigned mail rather than 'stealing' it.

I'm not condoning this mans behavior in any way but this is actually kind of sad.  
What a way to end 42 years of employment

Too bad he didn't seek some help before he proceeded to dig himself into a very deep hole.

73. Shaz06 wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 5:26 PM ETCanada Post does not deliver ad-mail out of the goodness of their heart or for the benefit of a workout for the letter carriers. Companies have paid for this delivery option, just like you pay for a stamp to send a card to your family or pay a bill. If your card or payment did not arrive you would have wasted money on postage and incurred late fees on a bill. Canada Post has an obligation to deliver what has been paid for.

I understand a lot of people do not like ad-mail, therefore they shoud call and cancel or post a notice.

74. Acayenne wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 5:22 PM ET12,000 pieces of mail? I wonder who took the time to count it and how much that cost us?

LOL

75. 04cryingoutloud wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 5:21 PM ET"cut some slack to this lettercarrier..." (sternwheeler)

You wouldn't be saying this if an important letter to you was sitting in one of this "poor old man's" piles of undelivered mail. 20% was NOT admail. It used to be a serious offence to tamper with the mail. Not any more, it seems.

76. My Account. wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 5:21 PM ETsomeone asks;  
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I didn't know the corporation is actually allowed to fire someone. what is the union's reaction the guy worked for 42 years, he is entitled to a golden pension  
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Canada post will terminate with loss of pension(s) for theft, regardless of amount or what is stolen.

always has always will.

only other reason for a firing, with a bit less pension danger is fighting at / on the job.

pretty well everything else is mediated and corrective actions taken

internally. ( I have worked at, and a few family members still do work for Canada post.) so I have seen first hand how this works, as some mail went missing on a shift and was traced back to a "driver" pocketing some change from a few parking tickets that passed through his truck, he lost 40years of pension and his reputation for a measly 3-4 bucks.

77. mow the lawn wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 5:13 PM ETOh, no, please not this...it's the sum of all my fears come tumbling down on me all at once. The guy's been rippin' off admail...I can't it anymore...what's this old world coming to. I ready to go postal...

78. Wild Woman wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 5:13 PM ET"If people are waiting for their mail and they see a delay or something they should immediately let us know so that we can investigate further and make sure the mail is always safe as it should be," she said".

What a load of BS. Canada Post does very little for you unless your mail is registered, or unless you choose Xpresspost. I recently had a package go missing in the mail. The tracking number I had was useless, and they did nothing for me but refund the amount I had paid for shipping. They pushed for a refund so they didn't have to do anything else for me - least of all INVESTIGATE!

79. Garbage\_Man wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 5:07 PM ETThe Canadian postal system is just a company that delivers bills and other useless items to my house. I say scrap the entire system and go electronic.

80. WildPegger wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 4:58 PM ETLet's see 12,000 piece of mail. 20% of which is not admail.  
 $12,000 * 20\% = 2400$  pieces of mail  
The average carrier delivers about 500 households.  
That's an average of 5 piece of mail per household. In a span of 7 years.  
That's less than 1 letter per year.

However, that does include any mail that has been thrown out in the trash.

81. sternwheeler wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 4:57 PM ETTo WolfesBane..... your absolutely right on, who gives a rats ass for their addmail to arrive promptly, cut some slack to this lettercarrier, being the age he is and having to hump the mail beat every day he was probably thinking "hey I'm not walking up those stairs.... or down that driveway for what this bit of shit mail .... 42 years service aye ? he should of packed it in when he had the opportunity , Christ there is life after the post office you now ,perhaps he had no other thing to look forward to except the same ole shit different pile every day.... Well what do you think the post office will do? FIRE HIM ? who cares he is already got the years in for full pension... He was probably thinking "I will never get caught" nobody will miss their

crap mail right ? WELL YOU THOUGHT WRONG POSTIE... now give us your keys, and hang up the bag..... GET A FRIGGIN LIFE, ENJOY YOUR RETIREMENT

82. doublebarrelpet wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 4:51 PM ETI dont want my admail, the man is a humanitarian.

83. cain-lawrence wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 4:47 PM ETI'm sure most people would say that he probably has some issues upstairs.

He reminds me of my hamster. But with hamsters, hoarding things is normal behaviour. When applied to humans, though, it's usually indicative of some sort of psychological issue. This might apply to him:

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Compulsive\\_hoarding](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Compulsive_hoarding)

84. cain-lawrence wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 4:43 PM ETWhat do people have against ad mail/flyers? We found some good companies to do our home renovations through using those. It's often how some small or family businesses start off in terms of advertising themselves. I don't mind them. :/

I bet the people who complain about ad mail are the same type of people who give telemarketers a hard time on the phone.

85. NewWestApple wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 4:42 PM ET"desi-dude" - if the hapless and fictitious Newman was sent to BC, it wouldn't be a punishment or a demotion.  
You obviously don't live in BC!

86. martinrodgercy wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 4:42 PM ETI didn't know the corporation is actually allowed to fire someone. what is the union's reaction the guy worked for 42 years, he is entitled to a golden pension like the "parasites" I mean the MP's, MPP's and senators !!!!!!!!!!!

87. Canuckist wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 4:41 PM ETGod, he was so close to retirement. What a way to mess up your life. He'll never work again, and kiss his pension goodbye. Lesson to those out there that get any ideas at Canada Post, you're not as well protected as you once thought.

I'm sure most mail carriers would never do something like this anyway. They'd have nothing to worry about.

I don't feel sorry for the criminal, but I feel pity for what he's about to go through financially.

88. DoreenDixon wrote:Posted 2010/10/14  
at 4:35 PM ETWhat a peculiar thing to do, especially after working for Canada Post for so long. Perhaps he should have a psychiatric evaluation before a court date.

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