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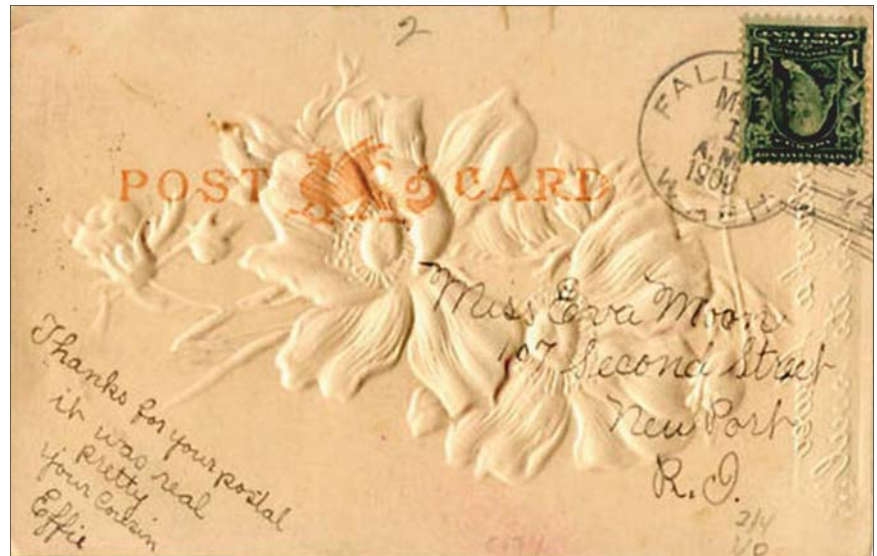
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Text messages

from years gone by...

In the early 1900s, roads and bridges were in, but of poor quality especially in the winter months. It was difficult for folks to get together with family over the mid-winter holidays, even if they were not many miles away. Telephones were not available to most families. But daily mail delivery was widespread. A penny postcard and penny stamp would get your message to friends and family.



The fancy embossed postcard shown above was sent from Fall City in 1908, possibly by Effie Howe, who came to Fall City with her husband John and family that year. This was a way to touch bases with the family they had left behind.



This “Great War” postcard, with a design embroidered on silk in a cardboard frame, was sent during World War I by Perry Burns, “With best wishes and love from France,” to his sister Clara Burns in Fall City.