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This year of 1962 being the 25th Anniversary of the founding of the War Cover Club, it is appropriate to reminisce on happenings since the club was first organized.

The history and growth of the WCC is itself an indication of the many fascinating fields which collecting war covers includes. Organized in the spring of 1937, the WCC drew together collectors in the New York area who were primarily interested in U.S. World War philately. William H. Montgomery, member No. 6 and Rev. H.K. Robinson, member No. 2, who were charter members are members still. Others of the original group were Delf Norona, Milton S. Hunt, Maxwell Halpern and Dr. H.A. Coleman.

Most of the original group collected U.S. Expeditionary Forces covers and were interested in Postal History. Over the years they found that there was no limit to the various aspects of War Mail which might form the basis of a collection and material for study. As more members joined and interests broadened, a place was made for all of them in the War Cover Club.

Members who worked hard for the WCC during the early years are: Hennen Sanford, M. Hertzberg, C.D. Brenner, A.J. Tripp, and Dr. A.E. Perry. In recent years members worked equally as hard for the good and welfare of the club are: Rev. H.K. Robinson, Jean Koor Clark, Kevin Rogan, James Russell and Stanley Jersey. Special mention of several other members who have helped by contributing articles and in other ways are: Thomas McGrath, Harry Weymer, Betty Miller and Capt. H.F. Rommel, U.S.N.

During WWII and the Korean War the members turned to the collecting of A.P.O.'s, Naval & Marine Corps covers, Patriotics, Military Flights, V-Mail, Prisoner-of-War, Censor Markings, etc. The possibilities are endless, and of course there are specialized subdivisions within these fields. Some concentrate on a particular war or campaign, such as the Anglo-Boer War, Spanish American War or the 1914 American Expedition to Vera Cruz.

One thing I would like to stress, that the bulletin is used for members to report anything new, or a find of any kind, also to share information. The bulletin is a clearing house for collector's questions and problems, and there can be vexing ones in war covers. The auction sales which appeared in our bulletins during the past year or two have boosted our membership, so that we are in good shape. We do owe Thomas McGrath a vote of thanks for giving of his valuable time to handle these sales.

It is difficult to figure out why very few of our members collect Patriotic covers of WWII as a specialty. Most of the members do have such covers mixed in with their A.P.O.'s, Navals, Marine Corps, because Patriotics brighten up the album page, also they have more value as such. Member Paul E. Hollister whose article appears in this bulletin would like to correspond with members who collect these Patriotics.

We are embarking on our second 25 years and look forward to continued progress and activity in the club. There should be no cause for concern about the good and welfare of the club so long as members will help to keep it going.

Joseph J. Becker has designed an appropriate cachet on covers for the 25th anniversary date and will service these covers at 15¢ each. The covers come in brown and blue and have pictures of Generals John J. Pershing and Ike Eisenhower. The latest report from Mr. Becker is that he had about 300 orders for covers, and will have enough left over to take care of members' needs. Members who wish to purchase any of these covers, Mr. Becker's address is 128-42 150th St., So. Ozone Park 36, N.Y.

Wanted - Genuinely used R.F. covers and their forerunners - those sent by
Free French Forces to the U.S. and Canada in WW-II without the overprint.
Dr. Jerome Beller 6927 Forest Hill Ave. Richmond 25, Va.

World War II Patriotics

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Paul E. Hollister
Member #499

One phase of cover collecting which seems destined, sooner or later, for renewed popularity, is that based upon the "Patriotic Covers of World War II". The definition given by George W. Linn in the introduction to his catalogue of such covers, published toward the end of 1943, was "that any cover, meaning any envelope, of any size, shape, or form, which bore a patriotic picture and wording, or wording or picture alone, was a patriotic cover". He comments further that cards would also be included, although they have been omitted from his listing.

The P.C.E.C. - Patriotic Cover Exchange Club - of which he was the founder and director, reveals in the 1943-44 directory the wide variety of collecting interests among the members of that organization. There were at that time over 450 members and the number kept growing until the end of the war.

Naturally, with the cessation of hostilities, activities of the PCEC came to a sudden halt. Some of the collections found their way to attics, where they still repose. Some have found their way to auction sales or to dealer's stocks. Some perhaps were thrown out by the collectors or their heirs as being of no value. And some are still cherished with affection.

The collecting interests of the PCEC members included not only the covers but also cancellations of various types - Free, Army Camps, APO, Navals and other related material. In some cases these phases of collecting are the ones which have continued to hold the interest. At that time I was collecting other material, and only at the end of 1953 was my attention attracted to these patriotics, when a dealer at the Tucson Stamp Exhibit bourse displayed just over a hundred covers, which I acquired. The next few years brought modest additions which served to increase my interest. Several purchases were made at auctions in 1960. In 1961 a large number of covers bought from an estate also provided me with a copy of Linn's catalogue and a PCEC directory. The former put me on the right track for the classification of the covers, so that now it takes only seconds to see if a certain cover is already in my collection. The latter has made it possible to get in touch with some of the former PCEC members.

I would not in any way want to belittle the favorite collecting interests of any other person. Our hobby is big enough to provide for all shades of preference. I had a collector friend, who as a sideline, tried to get a "Free" franked cover from each of the states. I can understand the thrill of securing an elusive APO number. Securing a cancellation from each of the army camps or forts in this country would require a long pursuit.

But for sheer variety in color, design, and subject matter it would be hard to find a collecting field with more to offer than World War II Patriotics.

For artistic excellence very high rank would go to the three sets of covers published by Jacques Minkus for Gimbel's - including the 1940 set, which preceded our entry into the war. A close competitor would be the three or four score designs issued by Walter Poppenger of Akron, printed on a bewildering variety of colored envelopes, each design usually appearing on six to twelve different colored covers. The dozens of embossed (Virko-type) covers put out by W.G. Crosby of San Pedro, Calif. or by George V. Sadworth of Woodhaven, N.Y., are many of them very beautiful and colorful. The scores of covers issued by American Patriotic Press (Harry E. Curtiss) of San Francisco are somewhat more delicate in coloring, and have a very large number of minor variations in wording or combinations.

And so the list goes on - down to the individuals who published a handful of covers for exchange purposes. Linn's catalogue listed 101 publishers, and before the war ended that number probably doubled.

There are patriotic themes in the designs - the flag, the Statue of Liberty, the eagle, Uncle Sam, great men of our past and present. Our service men and women - in combat, on parade, in humorous drawings - appear on many covers. Cartoons depicting the enemy nations are many and merciless.

Drives for war bonds, Red Cross, wise use of materials are publicized in many ways. Our ships, planes, tanks, are much in evidence. Countries that fought as our allies are remembered on covers, as well as the occupied nations which we honored with stamps. If you would like a colorful pictorial record of acts, thoughts, and emotions in the World War II period, this is a fascinating way to get it.

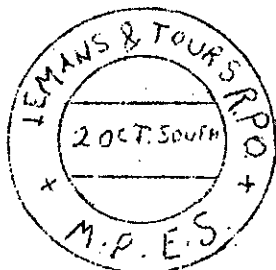
Editor's Note: Mr. Paul Hollister has been actively working towards organizing a specialist group of collectors interested in WW-II Patriotics, and had about 18 collectors in the group. However, somehow, Mr. Hollister and myself started a correspondence and I suggested that his purpose would be better served by joining a well organized group like the WCC where he could accomplish much more and would surely get many of our members started in this excellent and fascinating field.

W.W.-I - A.E.F. - R.P.O. Cover

Amongst the scarcest of all the A.E.F. covers is the Railway Post Office cover from the late A.E. Perry collection. This one cover is part of the AEF collection being held for future sale. The last information on the subject is that a member of the Perry family was trying to sell the entire collection for a specific amount, price not mentioned.

There have been rumors in the past that another one was in existence, but we never could find out who owned it. Outside of these two covers, no others are known to exist. We do know that there was a R.R. Post Office operating during WW-I in France, manned by military personnel and that mail was serviced in the R.R. car used for that purpose. Very little information has been known about this cancellation, specialists who have written articles and books of AEF mail, have made brief mention and not gone into details of this cover.

The Dr. Perry cover is a regular size, Knights of Columbus type, Regular censor mark, which means a double box mark with the words, "Passed by Base Censor, A.E.F. but the number is blurred. Dated Oct. 20, ? Corner card reads, "From John Wililla, Co. K 329th Inf. APO 762, AEF." Addressed to Pte. Wm. Adamson, 11 Bridge, 51st Inf. AEF France. Illustration follows:



To elucidate further, the letters M.P.E.S. stands for "Military Postal Exchange Service." The rest of the cancel speaks for itself.

Perhaps from the older members of the WCC who collect AEF mail we can get additional information on this subject.

Wanted - Price Lists for German WW-II Propaganda Leaflets
Books, Posters and Relative Items
R. Wright, P.O. Box 881, Hollywood 28, Calif.

Wanted to Buy or Exchange
Civil War Naval Covers Naval Postmarks, 1908-1922
Capt. H.F. Rommel, U.S.N.
Circlant Flt. Box 100, Code 43, Norfolk, Va.

Wanted - Spanish Civil War, 1936-1939 covers, will purchase
Theo Van Dam 1299 Jerome Ave. New York 52, N.Y.

U.S.S. DETROIT

A.J. Tripp

From an article in the Detroit News, issue dated Oct. 26, 1951, we quote the following records: During impressive ceremonies in August 1924, the seven foot ship's clock was presented to the new cruiser, a gift from the City of Detroit. Planes circled overhead and the crew stood at attention as the clock was brought aboard.

It was the first ship's clock presented to the navy since 1890. Early in 1946 the Navy announced that the Detroit would be de-commissioned. It was then when a vast amount paper work was done to get the clock back to Detroit. It was not on board the ship when it was de-commissioned at the Philadelphia Navy Yard.

Finally a curator at the Naval Historical Museum found it in their warehouse and it was sent by air express to the Mayor of Detroit. The clock was then turned over to Detroit Historical Museum, later it found a permanent place in the Detroit Naval Armory, located on the Detroit River.

Admiral Ernest J. King was Chief of Naval Operations from 1941 to 1945, Adm. William F. Halsey, Jr. relinquished his command of the South Pacific Force and Area, 15, June 1944, at Noumea, New Caledonia, going to Adm. Chester W. Nimitz Headquarters at Pearl Harbor.

Adm. Raymond A. Spruance in command of the 5th Fleet, task force 58, with operations in the Gilbert, Marshall, Marianna, Iwo Jima and Okinawa. Admiral Halsey was commander of the 3rd Fleet, Task Force 38, operations in the Western Carolines and Philippines also the July-August, 1945 strikes against Japan.

These task Forces, 38 and 58 were identical, the only difference lay in their commanders and staffs. While Adm. Spruance was at sea Adm. Halsey would plan the next operation and vice versa, the fast carrier Task Force 58 commanded by Adm. Spruance, while the same ships under Adm. Halsey were known as Task Force 38. This operation confused enemy forces as they had expected our ships would have to return to Hawaii for repairs and supplies.

Knowing that the Detroit had been rebuilt before WW-II, and it was damaged at Pearl Harbor by the Jap sneak attack, we looked for some news in the local papers, of the ship, there was none. From the philatelic angle, no covers which would give a clue were found among the many hundreds I had checked.

The news broke after V-J Day in Tokyo Harbor, as Adm. Halsey stated the Detroit was docked next to the Missouri, because it was his secret weapon, so honoured. The Detroit was the Flagship of the Destroyers which protected the supply route and ships which supplied the entire fleet with fuel, ammunition, equipment, etc. Perhaps this task force had a coded address to use on their covers, perhaps mail was directed to certain Navy P.O.'s along the route, and perhaps some of the W.C.C. Navy collectors can give the answer, who knows?

Editor's Note - As a result of the "Pearl Harbor" list of ships which appeared in the Feb. bulletin, A.J. Tripp noticed the U.S.S. Detroit on that list. Mr. Tripp immediately got busy and dug up some notes he had on the subject, and we have the above interesting article. These are the things that make an editor feel good, when a member can pick out one name from a listing and write it up into an article.

I have a note from a collector who wishes information on several Civil War covers from his collection; will quote from his letter: "I have 3 or 4 covers posted during the Civil War from soldiers fighting in General Bank's Division. Many of these covers bear a G.B.D. cancellation or a circular cancellation bearing GENERAL BANK'S (sic) DIVISION and the appropriate date. I understand that General Banks maintained the only postal agency for his troops during the Civil War. Any information I might receive on this subject will be sincerely appreciated". Rev. William A. Toland, Vicar, Trinity Episcopal Church, 2200 Western Ave., Mattoon, Ill.

Perhaps some member who collects Civil War and knows the answer, or can give information to clear up the subject, will get in touch with Rev. Toland.

Secretary's Report

By the time this issue reaches the members, the "Interpex" Show will be over. Your Sec., being Chairman, exhibition committee of the A.P.S. section of the show, had a hectic time of it, handling all the exhibits sent in by members of the A.F.S. Can say further that I enjoyed doing it. There were some outstanding collections shown, but the one which interested me most was the "Siberia's" of Edith Faulstich. Description reads as follows: "The A.E.F. in Siberia 1918-1920 - mail to and from the A.E.F. including rare Shanghai cancel, base & censor marks; RR and Naval marks; interforce correspondence; letter-sheet, rice paper, etc. also contemporary photos, post cards, etc." This, indeed was a collection, a most outstanding one, worth feasting your eyes on.

A meeting of members of the WCC was scheduled to be held at the show on Saturday, March 31 at 3 P.M. with member Fred Faulstich to show his Anglo-Boer War covers.

Our president, Walter Bjork, has planned a two months vacation trip to Europe with Mrs. Bjork, visiting every country on the continent. This will be a driving trip and should be real interesting and relaxing. The Bjork's plan to leave on April 12th. We wish them "Bon Voyage" and a very pleasant vacation.

The Anglo-Boer War Society is an international group, the members collect anything and everything pertaining to the Boer War philately. Details of membership may be obtained from J.H. Rathbone, "Allways", Penny's Lane, Rudheath, Northwich, Cheshire, England. A sample copy of their bulletin will be sent to any member interested.

Member A. Lewandowski (Lava), the air-letter specialist and dealer publishes a newsletter which is issued 3 times a year. The heading on newsletter reads: "News, Views, Airmail comments, The Entire Truth". Members who wish a copy of the latest one issued send 8¢ in postage to Lava, P.O. Box 1, Fort George Station, New York 40, N.Y.

Farvey Crowell has a quantity of covers to dispose of either by selling or exchange, he has 87 foreign covers, mostly in the 1850 & 1860's, English mostly, and 17 English stampless covers all in the 1840 and 1850's. Any member interested write to Mr. Crowell at 1039 North St., Pittsfield.

In the February bulletin, in the secretary's column I had a short write-up on David Opperman who was doing some research on "A.E.F. Siberia" and who wished to correspond with members who might be able to help him. Will quote from a letter just received from Mr. Opperman, it reads as follows: "I belong to quite a number of philatelic societies but I have never experienced such spontaneous and generous help as from members of WCC, most of it unsolicited. I'm just amazed as how eager the members are to help a new member. I'm truly grateful." Incidentally Mr. Opperman has written an article on "Siberia" which I think is "terrific" and which will appear in a future bulletin.

John M. McGarry who specializes in the Postal History of French Guiana has written me that he is trying to get information of any kind relating to A.P.O. 418 to help him with an article he intends to write on the subject. This A.P.O. has always been very scarce and little is known of it, outside of the fact that it was located at Rochambeau Field, Cayenne, Fr. G. commenced operating 5-31-43 and ceased operations 6-30-46. Members who can furnish Mr. McGarry with further information, his address is 189 Ashuelot St., Dalton, Mass.

New Members

- 497 - Miss Lorraine Carlson, Catskill Game Farm, Route 1, Catskill, N. Y.
Naval Covers & Postmarks (Arctic & Antarctic of all kinds), Animals on stamps.
- 498 - Theodore Van Dam, 1299 Jerome Ave., New York 52, N. Y.
Spanish Civil War, France World War I & II (Military)
- 499 - Paul E. Hollister, 916 - 12th St., Douglas, Arizona.
World War II Patriotics.
- 500 - Walter D. Peer, Canal Winchester, Ohio
WW-II Covers, Civil War Patriotics, First Days, First Flights.
- 501 - William E. Wells, 226 Noroton Ave., Noroton Heights, Conn.
French Stampless Military Covers, from year 1600 on through World War I.
- 502 - John Hotchner, 306 Metcalf - Station #1, Charlottesville, Va.
United Nations and related items. All Naval Covers.

Corrections in Address

- 339 - Capt. H.F. Rommel, U.S.N., Cinclant F1A Staff, Code 100, Box 43, Norfolk 11, Va.

United States Army Post Offices Located in Japan, World War II

A.P.O. 24 - Kochi,	11- - 45	A.P.O. 401 - Yokohama	9-15-45
Okayama	2- - 46	Suspended	1-18-46
Kokura	9- - 46	Atsugia Airfield	2- - 46
" 25 - Nagoya,	9-23-45	" 404 - Yokohama	10-30-45
Osaka,	1- - 46	" 415 - Honshu	9-15-45
" 27 - Tokyo,	9-23-45	Osaka	10- 1-45
" Niigata,	10-31-45	CO	5-17-46
" 32 - Nagasaki	10-15-45	" 442 - Kyoto	10-30-45
Fukuoka	11- - 45	CO	4-24-46
CO	3-22-46	" 445 - Yokohama	9-20-45
" 33 - Kobe,	9- - 45	Kimagava	10-30-45
CO	2- - 46	CO	5- - 46
" 41 Kure,	10- 1-45	" 453 - Sendai	10- 1-45
CO	1- - 46	Niigata	1- - 46
" 43 - Tokyo	9- 6-45	Koizuma	4- - 46
CO	10-31-45	CO	5- - 46
" 67 - (H) 66-Jap.	6- - 47	" 468 - Tokyo	8-31-45
" 77 - Sapporo	9-26-45	Sendai	10- 1-45
CO	3- 7-46	Sapporo	7- 7-47
" 81 - Aomori	9-18-45	U-1 Sendai	
" 98 - Osaka	10- 1-45	U-3 Mutsuichikawa	
CO	1- - 46	" 500 - Tokyo	2- - 46
" 181 Tokyo	10- 1-45	U-1	3-17-47
CO	12- - 49	" 503 - Tokyo	3- - 46
Unit A		Yokohama	3- - 46
" 201 - Yokohama	9-30-45	" 547 - Sendai	11- - 45
Osaka, Camp Burness	7- - 46	" 611 - Tokyo	11- 6-45
U 1	-47	CO	7-27-46
U 2	-47	" 612 - Irumigawa	10-12-45
U 3 Camp Bender, Ota.	-47	Suspended	12- - 46
" 248 - Sapporo	10- 1-45	Fuchu	5- - 46
Otaru	10-14	Suspended	12- - 46
Aomori	12- - 45	Miyazu	7- - 47
Hachinche	2- - 47	Maizuru	11- - 47
Matsuichikawa	3- - 47	" 660 - Honshu	9-15-45
CO	6- - 47	Osaka	10- 1-45
" 301 - Osaka	10- 1-45	Itami	11- - 47
Kyoto	2-26-46	" 697 - Osaka	10- 1-45
" 309 - Sapporo	10-30-45	Nagoya	10-10-45
Sendai	3- - 46	CO	4- - 46
" 310 - Kure	9-27-45	" 703 - Tokyo	9- 4-45
CO	3-22-46	Yokohama	3- - 46
" 315 - Kobe	10- 9-45	Zama	6- - 47
Nara	10-16-45	" 704 - Tachikawa	10-15-45
Kobe	10-30-45	" 706 - Aomori	10-30-45
CO	7- 5-46	FST	5-17-46
" 323 - Fuchu	5- - 47	Sapporo	7- - 46
" 332 - (H) 445 Jap.	-46	Yokohama	10- - 46
" 342 - Japan	6-23-47	" 710 - Irumigawa	10- 1-45
" 343 - Tokyo	8-31-45	Tokyo	1- - 46
Yokohama	3- - 46	Nagoya	9- - 46
U 1 Jap.		" 713 - Nagoya	10- - 45
U 2 Signal Corps School		Kyoto	9- - 46
" 347 - Yokohama	9- - 46	" 716 - Yokohama	9- 3-45
CO	2- - 47	CO	11-15-45
" 352 - Honshu	9-15-45	" 902 - Itazuke, Kyushu	9- - 46
Osaka	10- 1-45	Suspended	1- - 47
Okazaki	10-16-45		
CO	3- 4-46		

O.N.U.C. NOTES

by

Betty V. Miller

In my notes in the February bulletin I mentioned that Lt. General Sean MacEoin was leaving the O.N.U.C., this information I got from both the radio and television. Since that time I have read frequent newspaper accounts of the doings in the Congo, and all have referred to Lt. Gen. MacEoin as the Commander, so I believe he must still be in the Congo.

Argentina Contingent

From this contingent I received a Christmas card, cover was franked with the Congo overprints, and cancelled at Leopoldville. The front of the card read "The Argentina Delegation in Congo/have the pleasure to wish your/members a Merry Christmas and happy/New Year/Leopoldville Dec. 1961/." Inside was Christmas greetings in four languages.

Brazilian Contingent

Capt. J.P. Magalães sent me a hand made greeting card. The cover was franked with Congo overprints and the CDS was that of Leopoldville 22.XII.61. Rubber stamp on back read: Capt. J.P. Magalães/Brazilian Group/ONUC BP 7248/Leopoldville, Congo (AFRIQUE)

Canadian Contingent

A friend in Canada sent me my second cover from CFPO 25, this was dated 17 IX 60, I have been told that this cancellation is no longer in use in the Congo, however I have not been able to verify this.

Danish Contingent

Cover from this contingent to Canada was franked with Congo stamps, CDS Leopoldville 8.1.62. Cachet on reverse is box type and reads: "DANISH ONUC COMMAND/LEOPOLDVILLE/CONGO" I have also received a cover addressed to USA with Danish stamps, cancelled Kobenhavn 20.2.62 with above cachet and also the Dansk ONUC/Kommando cachet.

Indian Contingent

I received an ONUC greeting card from the 2nd Jet Regiment, same type of card that was used in 1960. This Regiment arrived in the Congo on March 31, 1961 and expects to return to India some time in March of this year.

From Brigadier KAS Raja came a Christmas card, the background is blue, across the top is O N U C, in the center is the badge of the United Nations in white, and along the bottom "VOEUX DU CONGO-GREETINGS FROM THE CONGO". The cover was marked "VIA POUCH" and is franked with a 4¢ U.N. stamp, cancelled at the United Nations in New York.

I have no doubt that most of you will already know that Indian stamps have been overprinted for use of the Indian Forces in the Congo. Last week I received my first cover franked with these stamps from the C.O. of 307th Composite Platoon, they were cancelled P.P.O. 771 dated 11.2.62.

I have been able to establish some of the locations of the Indian FPO's.

FPO 660	Leopoldville	FPO 770	?
FPO 716	Albertville	FPO 771	Elisabethville
FPO 762	Mobile FPO	FPO 777	Kamina (not previously reported)

The 3/1 Gorka Rifles arrived in the Congo in March of 1961, the period of service for the Indian troops with the ONUC and UNEF is one year, so I think we can look for a new regiment to replace the Gorka's.

Irish Contingent

For the past several weeks I have been quite busy writing to the men of the 35th Irish Infantry Battalion, the majority of these men arrived back in Ireland on Christmas Eve. They were to have left earlier, but were delayed when the fighting broke out again. I have mailed some fifty six letters to Ireland and have had

some wonderful results. Not all have answered, and not all of them have sent covers, but it's been well worth my efforts. One lad sent me seventeen unused ONUC airletters, another a shoulder patch, a third sent me Katanga money, one lad sent me all the newspaper clippings on the 35th Battalion. I received some thirty covers with the ONUC hand cancel, plus two covers that I really treasure. Both of these covers are franked with the 1/3 Rhodesia-Nyasaland stamp, the c.d.s. is that of SOLWEZI - NORTHERN RHODESIA 25 SP. 61. I checked back with both of these correspondents and was told that these covers were mailed during the time that they were prisoners of the Katanga Forces. Both of these covers have the r/a of "A. Coy" 36th Irish Inf. Bn., ONUC Republic of the Congo. In both cases the words "Republic of the Congo" was deleted, and written in was "Katanga Independent". I am told that officially no mail was allowed out of the prison compound, but that the Red Cross did take a few letters out, and mailed them outside the Congo, my two covers were from this mailing.

The 36th Irish Infantry Battalion is now in the Congo, I have received several covers from this battalion, and was told by one lad that the 36th is made up mainly of men who previously saw service in the Congo with the 32nd and 33rd battalions.

Several of my correspondents in the 35th Battalion have told me they hope to return to the ONUC in July.

Italian Air Force

From the Italian Air Force I received a beautiful Christmas card. The front is a black and white sketch of the Congo, inside is the badge of the 46 Aerobrigata T.H. and underneath "DISTACCAMENTO/CONGO"/, and Christmas greetings in six languages. The C.D.S. is that of Leopoldville 26.12.61.

Liberian Contingent

From the 3rd Liberian Contingent I received a cover with Congo stamps, cancelled at Port Franqui, 12.1.62.

Nigerian Contingent

Mike Knott of the F.P.H.S. sent me a Christmas card that he had received from the Nigerian Contingent. On the front is the badge of the Queen's Own Nigerian Regiment, 3rd Bn. In the center are three flags, the green and white Nigerian flag, the United Nations flag, and that of the 3rd B. Queen's Own Nigerian Rgt., underneath is 19 - Congo - 61.

I read in the newspaper of the exploits of Major Dick Lawson of Hq. 3rd Nigerian Brigade, this officer went into the jungle unarmed, carrying a swagger stick, and personally escorted five Roman Catholic Church workers to safety. I wrote to the Major and in reply received a ONUC cover franked with Congo stamps cancelled at Leopoldville.

HO KATANGA COMMAND

ONUC cover marked "VIA POUCH" to the USA, with the United Nations meter cancel 2.5.62.

I think this will just about bring to a close my ONUC notes. If and when any new regiments, contingents or FPO's are reported I shall send a note to the editor. I hope that my small efforts have helped you all in some way, and I wish you all luck with your ONUC collections. I have written many letters to the Congo, and when I tell you that I have four volumes of ONUC covers and am about to start the fifth you will realize that if you too keep on writing, eventually you'll get an answer, and the cover that you want to badly for your collection.

Wanted to Purchase or Exchange

Covers of Anglo-Boer War, Egypt Postage Prepaid of World War II, Sudan British African Colonies, FPO, APO, Censored, EAF, APO-U-MPK of South African Colonies. Prompt Reply Assured.

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New York 24, N.Y.

WAR COVER CLUB AUCTION

1. Italian Republic. Stampless cov. 2/18/1802, which opens into beautiful official pictorial letterhead of "Republica Cisalpina" (set up by Napoleon in N. Italy.) French deposed in 1802 & "Italiana" inserted. "Liberte-Equalianza" stricken. VF.
2. U.S. Civil War. 3¢ '61; canc'd Albany, N.Y. on attractive patriotic w/crossed flags & cannon w/Washington portrait in center. Fine condition.
3. 1 unused, criss patriotic, "Hartford City Guard" w/shield & soldiers. VF.
4. Franco-Prussian War. 1 unused Field Post envelope. F.
5. Sp. American War. 1 1¢ overprinted env w/added lc stamp, canc'd "Havana 11/17/99" w/cc "Chief Comm'sy, Div. of Cuba, Havana." "Empl. letter" added. VF.

U.S. NAVAL COVERS

6. 1 p.c. canc'd "USS Buffalo 8/18/09" Ty. 1. VF.
7. 1 p.c. canc'd "USS Constellation 10/21/09". Ty. 1. VF.
8. 1 p.c. canc'd "USS Delaware 2/12/12" (date blurred). F.
9. 1 p.c. canc'd "USS Georgia 9/1/13". Ty. 1. F.
10. 1 p.c. canc'd "USS Kansas 11/8/12". VF.
11. 1 p.c. canc'd "USS New Hampshire 11/14/11". Ty. 1s. A bit stained. F.
12. 1 p.c. canc'd "USS Tennessee". Ty. 1. Date unclear, but about 1911.
13. 1 p.c. canc'd "USS Utah 8/28/12". Ty. 2r. VF.
14. 2 p.cs. canc'd "USS Idaho" 9/12; "Arkansas 12/14" on comic. Fair only.

U.S. WORLD WAR I

15. AEF Christmas Package Coupon. Addressed. Creased, but scarce item of AEF.
16. 1 lg cov. canc'd APO 930, typed cc "Brig. Gen Foullois, Ass't Chief Air Service", Censored & signed on face by him. Pioneer of Air Force. VF.
17. 1 similar autographed cover but cancel'd APO 717. A bit stained. F.
18. 2 AEF covs. w/dif. type J.W.B. corner cards. F. (Jewish Welfare Board)
19. 4 AEF covs from members of var. Aero Squads, incld'g APO canc's 713-A; 731-A. F.
20. 10 AEF covs, APO 2,708,734,736,750,909,919,921 & 2 w/shield type MPO canc., used to cancel safe arrival cards of troops on transports going overseas. Mostly F.
21. 20 AEF covs, all dif. canc's. incld'g 2,711,714,715,717,718, etc. F.
22. 7 covs. w/Mil. branch domestic canc's. incld'g Jacksonville, San Antonio, Hemstead (Mills Br); Alexandria, Va. (USMC); Gr. Lakes Receiving Ship flag cancel. etc. F.
23. Copy of "Barrage" - 4 pg paper of 18th F. Art. in Polch, Occupied Germany 2/21/19. Int.

WORLD WAR I - OTHER COUNTRIES

24. Austria. 1 Feld p.c. w/clear "Marinefeldpoststamp Pola" cancel. & perfect, pink "SM SHIFF MARS" cachet. Beautiful item.
25. 2 Feld pcs w/Marinepost canc's & box cens. mks of SMS Adm. Spaun & Pr. Verdinand. VF.
26. Bosnia-Herzegovina. 4 covs, incld'g 1 Regis., all cancel'd "KuK Mil Post Sarajevo" 1916, 12 stamps, mostly overprinted 1914-16 issues. VF.
27. Canada. 15 Field P.O. covs., mostly censored. Several ragged but mostly F.
28. Cuba. 21 censored covs. (2 lg), var. town canc's; add'd to U.S.; var. cens. mks. F.
29. 1 cov. Formosa to U.S., 1917. w/Japanese stmp & U.S. cens. strip. F.
30. France. 5 multi-color flag military post cards. 2 used. VF
31. France. 2 Mil covs. w/town cancels & Hospital cachets. VF.
32. France. 1 printed POW cov. from Germ. POW. Cens. w/cachet of "Depot 602 P.G." VF.
33. Germany. 1 Regis. POW cov. cancel'd "Tientsin, Deutsche Post '16" w/r.a. printed on back, "Hilfsaktion. Ungar. Gefangene in Sibirien. Tientsin, Nord China". Cens. label. VF.
34. Germany. 1 p.c. w/bilingual cancel. "Feldpost Mil. Miss. Konstantinople" '17. VF.
35. 10 POW cds from dif Germ. camps incld'g Giesen, Schweidnita, Heilsberg, Mannheim, etc. F.
36. 10 more POW cds from 10 dif camps incld'g Ruhleben, Doeberitz. Dif from last lot. F.
37. 5 POW R.C. covs from Gustrow; Stralkowa; Gardelegen etc. Hilfcomite type covs. VF
38. 58 picture p.c.s; "Feldpost". Many dif. town cancels. VF.
39. Gr. Britain. 1 sm neat cov. Active Service. Cens. w/Capetown paquebot '16 cancel. F.

40. Gr. Britain. 1 cov. w/pink cens. mkg "Indian Exped Force 71"; bckstamped "C.S. office...I.E.F." VF.
41. 27 Naval covs (few fronts) w/dif types of dumb canc; cens. mkg. etc. VF.
42. 1 POW cov w/cachet "Cens. Aliens camp Isle of Man", canc'd Douglas. Ragged at t.
43. 1 Reg cov. from "Knockaloe Camp, I. of M"; canc'd "Aliens Deten. Camp" Cens. F.
44. 1 lg. cov (8x10), creased, Holland to France. Seized at sea by German U-boat; Returned cacheted "Held up by Germany 1916/17, return to sender" w/Germ cens. label. MB \$2.50.
45. Japan. 1 imprt's POW cov w/camp "Ninoshima" mkg; var Jap cens mkg. Addressed to Germany, w/German cens. mkg & labels. Very fine condition.

46. U.S. 2 covs (1 lg), canc'd "Fifth Reg USMC, Managua, Nicaragua 6/21/29 & "5th (or 6th) USMC, Managua, Nic. 5/3/32"". F.
47. U.S. 2 covs w/dif C.C.C. camp corner cards, canc'd 9/33 & 10/33 at Plattsburg, N.Y. Mil. Branch & Plattsburgh Barracks Sta. VF.
48. Camerouns. 1932-40. Unusual & seldom seen lot of 18 missionary covers w/stamps & all diff. type town cancels. 11 with Censor markings. VF.
49. France. 1936-38. 2 covs. (fronts only) Fr. Foreign Legion, APO 606,612; 1 w/Patt cach.
50. France. 1 F.M. cov. canc'd "Kontum, Annam '36 w/cachet of 4th Comp. Sud-Annam". VF.
51. Ital-Ethiopian War. 1 cov. canc'd Post Mil. N.12 w/cachet on face "R. Carpo Truppe Col. Eritrea" & similar st. line mkg. Registry label. VF.
52. Sp. Civil War. 2 covs. '37 & '39 canc'd Barcelona w/var Cens mkg. 2 local stmp. F.
53. Germany. 1939. 1 cov. to U.S. enclosing Hitler speech of Munich 11/8/39. Unusual. VF
WORLD WAR II
54. Canada. 10 Patriotic covs. w/var canc. incld'g MPO203; Arctic Pat. Backstmp; slogans. VF.
55. Canada. 1 POW ltr sheet canc'd Alberta '41 from Germ. POW at "Kenanaskis Leede". VF
56. Chile. 3 Censored covs. addressed to U.S. (2) & England (1). F.
57. Denmark. 4 covs '41, add'd to "Shanghai via Siberia". German cens mkg & labels. F.
58. Egypt. 6 pages of pencil drawings of 140 cens. mkg. VF. (2nd high bidder gets photo)
59. Fiji. 1 cov w/Fiji stmp canc'd Suva '41 w/Br. Navy safe arrival label & Cens. strip. VF.
60. France. 2 Mil covs, 1 w/Air Batt. cachet & other w/"CMBG 35 Vaguemestre" mkg. '40. VF
61. Germany. 1 cov. w/feldpost canc '41; w/cc "Chef der Zivilverwaltung in Luxemburg" VF
62. Gr. Britain. 1 cov. w/Br stmps canc'd "Poczta Polska 128". Date unclear. F.
63. 2 sm CHMS covs canc'd "Polish Forces '43 Pl76" & "Poczta Polowa F.P. etc." '41. F
64. 1 POW card from Germ. POW canc'd "POW Camp 282 Gr. Britain". 1946 to U.S. VF.
65. India. 1 cov canc'd "Calcutta Air-D" w/green RAF hdg. cachet & cens. mkg. VF.
66. India. 1 Patriotic cov. w/Morvi State stamps. Native cancel. VF.
67. Indonesia. 1 local cov '46 w/bl of 4 provis stamps (Merdeka) canc'd Djakarta. F.
68. Italian occup of Albania. 1 Regis. cov to U.S. canc'd "Tirane 10/24/41" w/4 Ital. Occ. stmps. Censored. Mked "Held by Br. censor till 1/46." "Released." Received 3/6/46. F.
69. Italy. Occup of Slovenia. '43. 1 Ital. p.c. canc'd Lubiana. Censored. F.
70. Italy. 3 covs w/var cens mkg. 2 add'd to U.S.; 1 to Germany (Germ. Cens. mkg) F.
71. Italy. Occup of Montenegro. 1 overp't'd Ital. p.c. w/Germ cens & Red Cross mkg. F.
72. 1 POW card canc'd Ragusa '45 from Ital. POW at Oran, Algeria. VF.
73. Japan. 5 used covs made from folded newspapers (3x8); 4 w/stmps & 1 prepaid cancel; These were used when paper & stamps in short supply. Unusual & Fine.
74. Japan. 10 postwar commercial covs w/stmps. Mostly w/U.S. Censor mkg & several with bilingual "released by Censor" mkg. Fine lot.
75. Japan. 1 sm cov w/Australian stmps overp't "BCOF Japan" canc'd FPO 080 6/24/47 VF
76. Japan. Occ. of Philippines. 8 covs, mostly Cens.; first days, fancy canc, cachets, etc. VF.
77. New Zealand. 10 Patriotic covers. All dif. cachets. Nice stamps used. VF.
78. Persia. 1 p.c. w/3 dif censor mkg. U.S., Russian, & Combination. VF.
79. Portugese India. 1 sm neat cov. w/Br. censor label & mkg. VF.
80. Sweden. 1 unused Mil. env. (creased) w/green return stamp under flap.

81. Switzerland. 1 Regimental p.c. & 2 Mil. covs; w/Milit. stmps '38-40 & Feldpost canc. VF.
82. 60 Censored covers. Australia, So.Africa,India,Holland(4 Nazi cens), Gr.Pritain, New Zealand,Portugal, Canal Zone, Switzerland, Brazil, etc. Nice group.
- U.S. WORLD WAR II
83. 1 sm cov. canc'd "US Navy 12/7/41" (Pearl Harbor Day) w/Navy cachet. VF.
84. 1 p.c. w/reproduction of 1st page of "Kodiak Mirror" on 12/7/41. "US DECLARES WAR" etc.
85. 2 cacheted covers canc'd on VE Day (Bayonne, N.J.) & VJ Day (Wash.D.C.) VF.
86. 12 Patriotic covs. canc'd VE & VJ Day & thereabouts. 1 canc'd Victory, Vt. VF.
87. 1 imprinted Germ. POW card from "POW Camp, Concordia c/o Box 20, GPO, N.Y." & canc'd 5/1/45 New York, N.Y. Censored. F.
88. 6 Patriotic covs., 1941. canc'd APO 801-C & 801-D (New Foundland); 809 (Porto Rico); USS West Point FDC; 1st Marines, Iceland; 4th Marine Def. Batt FMF. VF.
89. 1 lg Registered cov. w/cc APO 919 (Society Is.) w/Reg. canc. on back. VF.
90. 5 covs. (3 cach'd FDC) w/Am. Base Force canc. APO 801, 801-A,B,C, 802. VF.
91. 7 APO covs. 3 w/hand drawn cachets & 4 w/slogan "No Bcats - No Votes" in dif. forms. F.
92. 2 covs. 1 canc'd "USN 9/24/45", other "9/30/45 15763 Br." Both w/"Sasebo, Japan" in killer bars. VF.
93. 14 blocks of 4 of 3¢ Armed Service stamps, all w/socked on the nose, hand cancels from all different APOs, incld'g Alaska (2) China, Japan (2), Germany (2) etc. VF.
94. 200 dif. APO covs. between 1 & 500, mostly small covers w/clear cancels. VF.
95. 200 dif. APO covs. between 501 & 1000 " " " " " " VF.
96. 40 sm. Patriotic covs. w/all dif domestic Camp hand cancels. VF lot.
97. 100 sm Patriotic covs. Mostly civilian usage. Some nice items. VF group.
98. 11 covs., incld'g '44 War Ballot env. & p.c.; Registry Receipt APO 921,U-2; Blue env. mail; APO 99,742, 403(UNHRA) & 3 very large Pan American "US Censorship Envelopes" used from P.Rico to US w/instructions for passengers to deposit all photos, letters, etc. inside, with various censor markings & labels. Interesting lot.
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99. Korean War. 1 Patriotic cov. canc'd APO 925, 4/20/51, autographed by "Lt. Gen. George E. Stratmeyer, Comm. Far East Air Forces". VF.
100. 4 native covs w/Korean stmps w/clear red canc. & cens mkg APO 112. Furported to have been cancelled behind No.Korean lines, but no substantiation. VF.
101. UNEF. Jugo. troops in Egypt. 1959. 1 cov. "Egypt..UNEF" w/cachet in pink "vojna ...Br 6000, Beograd", w/Printed added cachet. VF. MB \$1.50.
102. Jugo troops. 3 covs canc'd "UNEF...JMA-UAR Egypt". 1960-1. MB \$1.25
103. UNEF. 3 lg. UNEF official envs w/prt'd ccs., add'd to Italy, canc'd CFPO 92 & 5049.
104. UNEF. 3 wrappers w/Lebanese stmps canc'd Beyrouth w/mkg on backs - "Public Information Officer Hq. UNEF Gaza" F.
105. UNEF. 1 sm cov. Leban. stmps w/typed cc "Norwegian UNEF Hospital" & "UNEF-Hospital/Vor" cachet on back. VF. 1961.
106. UNEF. '61. 1 cov. w/Denmark stmp w/mkgs "Dansk FN-Kommando UNEF" on face & b.VF.
107. UNEF. '59-61. Brazilian Battalion. 3 covs. 2 w/Leban. stmps canc'd Beyrouth & 1 w/UNEF cancel; all w/Brazilian Forces r.a. & other UNEF Suez mkgs. VF.
108. ONUC. 1 sm cov. w/Swedish stmps canc'd "Svenska Bat...Kongo 9/11/61" VF.
109. ONUC. 1 sm cov w/Indian stmps canc'd FPO 560 7/61; Cachet on b. "ONUC IND SIGS" VF.
110. ONUC. 1 sm cov w/Congo stmps. Typed r.a. "Nigerian Police Unit ONUC" w/rubber stamp cachet "Nigeria Police...Leopoldville". F.
111. ONUC. 1 lg cov(7x10) Leopoldville meter; ONUC cc; pink cachet of Tunis ONUC Frig.
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112. Denmark. 1954. 1 sm cov canc'd w/fancy "NATO Forces for Freedom" slogan. VF.
113. 1 Crisp 10¢ bill "current only within Prisoners' enclosure...Officer in charge of POW's Ragama" signed by Camp Commandant. Auctioneer confesses ignorance of origin.

ARCTICA & ANTARCTICA

114. 1 sm cov. w/cachet "Wilkins-Ellsworth Trans-Arctic Submarine Exped. 1931 - N.Y. to North Pole" w/U.S. & British stmps canc'd N.Y. & London. VF.
115. Canada. 10 Arctic First Flight Covers. 1929. 7 w/Cl stmp; all cacheted w/Eskimos, huskies, trappers & all w/North West Territory cancels or backstamps. VF.
116. Canada. 1 Coronation cov cacheted "Top of the Empire" canc'd "Craig Harbour" '37; VF.
117. Canada. 1 sm cov canc'd "Resolute N.W.T. '56"; w/handstamp "Ocean Sta Vessel Stonetown" VF
118. Finland. 1 cach cov. from IGY Observation Station "Sodankyla". 1958. VF.
119. Greenland. 3 cach. covs from IGY Onserb. points w.cancs on Greenland stmps.VF.
120. 2 covs w?gr. stmps w/st.line mkg "Mesters Vig '58"; 1 w/Scottish Exped Cach.VF
121. Japan. 1 Transpolar SAS first flight cov '57; Japan-Oslo; Polar canc & cachet.VF
122. Japan. 1 cov. w/'58 IGY Rocket Project cach. & fancy rocket cancel. VF.
123. Norway. 3 IGY '58 covs (2 cach'd) from Northcape; Kingsbay; Longyearbyen. VF.
124. 1 sm cov. '61 canc'd "Longyearbyen" w/cach "Spitzbergen Ny Friesland Exped." VF
125. Russia. 1 sm cov. 1957. w/stmps & Registration mkg "Pole-Nord 4" 1957. VF.
126. U.S. 3 Drifting Ice Sta. covs. from "Ice Island T-3 Arctic Ocean 10/20/59; Alpha 2 10/6/59; Bravo Station 3/23/60 (black cachet)" VF.
127. U.S. 1 cov. canc'd USCGC Eastwind w/Polar Bear cachet & Dew Line mkg 7/21/58.VF.
128. USN. 1 cov from USS Nautilus (SSN 571) w/cachet, autog. by Cdr. Anderson. VF.
129. 1 cov USS Staten Island, w/cachet, autog by C.O.; 9/5/59; Pencil marking indicating that it was carried from T-3 drift station. VF.

PRICES REALIZED - MARCH 15 AUCTION

1.	1.60	19.	1.10	38.	1.10	55.	.90	72.	2.70	90.	1.10	111.	4.25	132.	2.40
2.	2.25	20.	1.10	39.	1.35	56.	1.10	73.	.50	91.	4.75	112.	1.80	133.	1.80
3.	1.75	21.	1.60	40.	3.60	57.	1.30	74.	1.10	92.	.25	113.	3.20	134.	.30
4.	1.20	22.	1.20	41.	1.20	58.	1.60	75.	1.30	94.	.55	114.	1.70	136.	.40
5.	1.80	23.	1.20	42.	1.10	59.	.50	76.	1.20	95.	.40	115.	2.55	137.	1.10
6.	3.70	24.	1.00	43.	1.80	60.	1.60	77.	1.30	96.	1.40	116.	1.65	138.	1.60
7.	4.50	25.	2.25	44.	1.60	61.	1.20	78.	2.10	97.	1.90	117.	2.75	139.	1.05
8.	2.20	26.	2.50	45.	1.35	62.	2.70	79.	3.00	98.	2.60	118.	2.60	140.	.60
9.	2.70	27.	1.20	46.	3.25	63.	.35	80.	1.00	99.	1.10	119.	3.00	141.	1.50
10.	1.60	28.	2.60	47.	1.60	64.	1.00	81.	1.00	100.	.50	120.	2.60	142.	.80
11.	2.60	29.	6.00	48.	3.50	65.	2.20	83.	3.80	101.	2.70	121.	4.25	143.	4.70
12.	1.30	30.	.25	49.	3.40	66.	3.80	84.	1.70	102.	1.00	123.	1.10	144.	4.25
13.	1.60	31.	.60	50.	1.70	67.	1.85	85.	1.60	103.	.85	125.	.80	145.	2.10
14.	.25	32.	.85	51.	2.00	68.	3.10	86.	.50	107.	1.20	126.	2.30	146.	1.20
15.	1.60	33.	.80	52.	2.70	69.	2.10	87.	7.00	108.	2.10	127.	3.60	147.	21.00
16.	1.70	34.	.60	53.	1.60	70.	1.20	88.	1.70	109.	13.50	130.	5.25	122.	.40
17.	4.00	37.	2.80	54.	3.50	71.	1.70	89.	1.30	110.	11.25	131.	3.10	124.	.60

Auction Notes. Bidding was quite high on the many Polar items, the Russo-Japanese War covers, as well as the seldom seen Italy-Libia War cover (lot 17). Some bargains were picked up among the Naval classic covers. British Colony covers also did well.

Cover notes. The USS North Carolina, now a war memorial, permanently docked in North Carolina, has a post office aboard with Adm. W. Maxwell, Ret., as postmaster. Send covers to USS North Carolina, Wilmington, No. Carolina & request special branch cancel. New Concord, Ohio, birthplace of Astronaut Glenn is using a special slogan cancel. Send covers to Postmaster....Serviced covers, I understand, are available for Argentina Antarctic bases. Limit of 2 covers per base, with 10 bases available. Send addressed covers with fillers & 1 International Reply Coupon per cover to Seccion Filatelia, Correo Central, Buenos Aires, Argentina... Floating Ice Station still operating. Send covers to Station Leader, Arlis 2, c/o Postmaster, Barrow, Alaska. I have a few extra Glenn FDC from Scranton, Pa. (no cachet). Will swap for any other city. Official FDC cancelled at Cape Canaveral are available at 5¢ each from Philatelic Agency, P.O. Dept., Washington, D.C.

Auction list continued:

ARCTIC & ANTARCTIC

130. U.S. 10 dif. ship covs. w/cachets & mostly APO cancsc of '59-61 Arctic Operations. VF.
131. Argentina. 1 "Camara-Antarctic" base cov. & 1 cruise cov w/4 Ant. cancels. VF.
132. Argentina. 7 covs. mostly w/Ant. base cancels. 1959. VF.
133. Argentina. 6 printed, cach'd covs. w/fancy cans. for Ant. meetings, etc. in Argent.
134. Australia. 3 covs(2 cach't'd) from Davis '57; Mawson '56; Macquarie '54. VF.
135. Australia. 2 covs. canc'd Macquarie '47 & Heard Island. VF.
136. Belgium. 4 cach'd covs w/same Antarctic canc. 1958-61. VF.
137. Belgium. 2 FDC from Brussels, Belgium with Antarctic stamps. VF.
138. Falkland Islands. 3 covs. canc'd Fort Stanley; So. Georgia & Grahamland. VF.
139. 2 covs. w/overprinted stmps of F.I. canc'd So. Orkneys & So. Shetlands. VF.
140. 3 covs. canc'd Pt. Lockroy, Base E & IGY Expedition. 1958-61. VF.
141. 6 covs. w/various Grahamland canc. Pt. Lockroy, Base W. J. 1959-61. VF.
142. France. 3 Ant. covs. incld'g Promelin, St.Paul & Amsterdam & Kerguelen Arch. VF
143. 6 covs. Same as last lot plus 3 extra covs. VF.
144. Japan. 4 cach't'd covs. incld'g Ant. Exped I & II; '56 Departure from Japan & FDC. VF.
145. Antarctic Land Traverse. Personal collection of one of Hillary's team. 18 covs, mostly w/Ross Dependency stmps, 12 of which mailed in the Crossing of 1959-60 with "Trail Mail" markings, var. dates. 2 w/Christchurch packet boat cans. Various Scott Base cancels, cachets & markings. Impossible to duplicate anything like this collection, and estimated value should be over \$25.00
146. Ross Dependency. 2 covs. (1 lg) canc'd Scott Base. VF.
147. Russia. 1 sm cov. canc'd "Myriny, Antarctica" 1960, w/fancy rocket stamps. VF.
148. Russia. 1 sm cov. w/fancy Antarctic Base cancel 2/16/61. VF.
149. So.Africa. 4 covs. incld'g 2 SANAE '60 (1 Regis) & 1 Capetown Paquebot Canc.VF.
150. So.Africa. 1 cov. "Gough Island Scientific Survey" canc'd Gough Island. VF.
151. U.S. 1 sm cov "Byrd,,Exped III" w/snow cruiser cachet. Stamped on back "No. 7229. Carried from Little America by USS North Star" Canc'd Boston 5/6/41.

Send all bids to T. F. McGrath, 804 Park Ave., Albany 8, N.Y. before May 15,
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