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World War II - The Beginning and the End ... a Philatelic Record Idus Murphree

As many of our generation can well remember, December 7, 1941 marked the beginning and September 2, 1945 the end of World War II. No one is surprised that the tragic events of that first day of war for the United States had no official philatelic recognition at Pearl Harbor. There were no cachets marking that historic Sunday morning, no specially prepared postmarks nor patriotic covers. The avid stamp and cover collector may be moved by a consuming passion, but no amount of enthusiasm to preserve a philatelic memorial was enough on that awful morning of Pearl Harbor. Engraved drawings of the Pacific Fleet under a cloud of oil smoke or of the OKLAHOMA and ARIZONA sinking at their berths by Ford Island would have been unpalatable in any case, but there was no time or opportunity even to give thought to such things, which in a time like that would be trivia indeed. For the war cover collector there are only the envelopes from surviving ships that were at Pearl Harbor during the attack. There is "Dec. 7, 1941", the naval censor's stamp, and a ship's name. These are the only philatelic souvenirs of that day. (Fig. 1)

At the other end of the scale are the war covers of September 2, 1945, the day of the signing of the instrument of surrender aboard the MISSOURI in Tokyo Bay. This was an event known far enough in advance for preparations to be made, and the war covers for this occasion are often elaborate. These are covers reflecting pride and victory.

The achievement which they represent is best found in the killer bars and postmarks which locate ships of the Third Fleet in "Tokyo Bay". I remember the look of unbelief on the faces of Japanese civilians when they saw those ships, so many ships, gathering in Tokyo Bay. It was as if a nightmare had materialized; and yet the whole thing was incredible, since many of the units of our fleet had been reported sunk, sometimes more than once.

The mood of the covers and cachets of that day of victory is always jubilant. At the same time, the range of those September 2 covers runs the gamut of emotions felt by navy fighting men at this quite different time, when December 7 was almost four years past. There are cockiness, confidence, and mock heroics from a navy not willing for anyone to doubt that it was the best in the world and at the same time not quite willing to take itself seriously.

For instance, the NORTH CAROLINA plastered its nickname on Japanese-made envelopes which were then postmarked "Tokyo Bay" on the day of surrender, and the nickname was "The Showboat". Now "The Showboat" is not an altogether military title. These sailors owing up to, really insisting on, being called the equivalent of "Lounge Lizard" at the very moment of conquest is typical American kidding. Then too, there are cachets in multiple colors, too many colors, some in crayolas. Others are the skillful work of the machine press and not so skillful mimeographing machine. Some are hand-drawn. The designs are various: ships, eagles, dragons, sunrises, sunsets, maps and not a few versions of how Mount Fujiyama appeared from an American vessel anchored so far away it couldn't appear at all. But lively imaginations were at work, and the exuberance is understandable.

One cover in my collection from the carrier ITCONDEROGA has a cachet showing the outlines of Tokyo Bay and in the bay one ship so large that it crowds the coastlines on three sides. The ship is modestly identified as CV-14, the TICONDEROGA. In quite another vein there are covers of "old-navy" dignity in somber black and white,

covers in "dress uniform", so to speak, with a conservative, "regulation" air.

The variety of these navy cachets and Tokyo Bay postmarks makes a rewarding collection. Undoubtedly, those dated September 2, the day of formal surrender, are the most historically interesting. This was not the first day that "Tokyo Bay" appeared in cancellations on navy mail; and certainly it was not the last.

A few ships jumped the gun on the September 2 date, and thereafter ships continued to specify their locations in this and other Japanese waters. By a general order on October 17, the practice of showing port of call of naval vessels was resumed and officially permissible for ships outside Tokyo Bay.

Postmarks and cancellations from occupation points in Japan abound. Of those with the September 2 date, covers from the Missouri, where General Douglas MacArthur accepted the Japanese surrender, have poignancy.

Not many have turned up in collectors hands, despite the fact that a special cancellation was prepared for the occasion and many hundreds of letters went through the ship's post office that day. I was later transferred to the MISSOURI and could locate only one that had stayed aboard.

Recently I found among my navy records two official messages that bear upon this episode and these war covers of September 2. I made no effort to keep a systematic set of notes at the time. Although I had a vantage point aboard the IDAHO in Tokyo Bay, where I was attached to the staff of Commander of Battleship Division Three, parts of the story are vague in my mind. I do recall that it was common practice for communications officers to decode messages not addressed to us, in order to keep the Admiral informed. It was one of those "no interest" messages that caught the eye of a friend of mine, a fellow stamp enthusiast. It was an uncoded message requesting that a large group of recent specifically identified commemoratives be dispatched by airmail to the MISSOURI in time for use on mail September 2. The message made it quite clear that a special cancellation was to be used commemorating the surrender. This was all that it took to stir some of us on the IDAHO to action. Our ships may have been antique sisters of the big new Battleships, but we figured that we deserved to be in on the celebration too. I drew up a message to the Commander of the Third Fleet which read as follows: For Fleet Pub Info Ofcr X Request authorization to prepare cachet for use Batdivthree on VJ day X Propose Cachet of silhouette New Mexico Class BBS with caption quote USS New Mexico, USS Mississippi, USS Idaho, Tokyo Bay, September 2, 1945, VJ Day, unquote. The request was promptly approved.

We then informed the other ships of our division, primarily to determine how many envelopes with cachets they wanted; but the upshot was that both the MISSISSIPPI and the NEW MEXICO prepared their own instead of taking the design which was to be printed aboard the IDAHO. This was certainly fair game, because after the approval of our request to the Commander of the Third Fleet, there immediately followed a dispatch to the whole fleet giving permission to prepare special cachets and to use "Tokyo Bay" in the cancellation. I have liked to think that our original request set the whole pot boiling, suggesting as it did the possibility that the entire fleet might celebrate a great event.

Time was short. Everything had to be done in the five days remaining before September 2. An ensign with a knack of drawing, RALPH RICKETTS, undertook the art work of our cachet after going over his ideas with the ship's printer. He did a magnificent job of reproducing a dramatic silhouette likeness of our battleship class, and the printer's work is fine. Their joint product is illustrated. (Fig. 2). The men in the ship's post office had no trouble setting the type for the cancellation. The printed envelopes were distributed to the ship's company (every crew member received five) in time for the mail on V-J day.

My efforts to get navy covers with the September 2, Tokyo Bay, postmark were titanic and not very imaginative. Not very successful either. I did go so far as to include all British units in the list of ships to which I wrote requests. The returns were few, and from the British ships none. R. L. Senn, CMAN aboard the Monitor, was of most help to me. I had met him on some errand in a small boat through such a maze of allied vessels that I had gotten lost. He later sent me some very nice covers which I have always appreciated. Together with the ones which I was able to get on the spot, these covers make a collection of special interest and value to me. The long road from Pearl Harbor— Coral Sea and Midway, Guadalcanal

and New Guinea, the battles for the Solomons, Tarawa, Kwajalein, Eniwetok, the Philippines, Saipan, Guam, Tinian--had taken us to the home islands of Japan and now to VICTORY. These covers from the fleet on the last day of the war and the first day of peace represent a great deal.

The accompanying list of ship names is compiled from several sources and is possibly incomplete despite that fact. Should WCC members have covers from other ships with the September 2, Tokyo Bay, cancellation or postmark, I would appreciate hearing from them in order to compile a more complete list. Idus Murphree, 55 Charles St., Athens, Ohio.

Check List of U.S. Navals in Tokyo Bay with September 2, 1945
Cancellations.

U.S.S. Alchiba	U.S.S. Goodhue	U.S.S. Pasadena
" Amsterdam	" Greenlet	" Perkins
" APA 138	" Hancock	" Piedmont
" Barr	" Healy	" Proteus
" Bennington	" Idaho	" Quincy
" Braxton	" Indiana	" St. Mary
" Boston	" Lavaca	" St. Paul
" Briscoe	" Macomb	" Springfield
" Chicago	" Mississippi	" Talladega
" Chicopee	" Missouri	" Taussig
" Clearfield	" Mt. Olympus	" Teton
" Colorado	" New Jersey	" Ticonderoga
" Darke	" New Mexico	" Todd
" Delta	" Norman Scott	" Wallace L. Lind
" Frank Knox	" Oakland	" West Virginia
" Gardiners Bay	" Oklahoma	" Wilkes Barre
" Gasconde	" Pamina	

Editor's Note: The above article appeared in the special WCC edition of "Stamps" in the January 23, 1960 issue. Fig. 1, U.S.S. Hulbert, Dec. 7, 1941, did not register clearly on illustration.

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S. Jersey 631 No. Kenilworth Ave. Oak Park, Ill.

Secretary's Report

I am very happy to report that the special edition of Linn's of May 27th, sponsored by the WCC, was a big success in every way possible. In addition to the large amount of publicity the club received, 30 new members were added to our group. Thomas McGrath and myself received several hundred letters from collectors requesting sample bulletins and information of the club. It was a great pleasure answering all those letters and complying with their requests.

Mr. Karl Rueth, Editor of Linn's, was very much pleased with all the articles sent him, which were used in that issue. Mr. Rueth has suggested that our club reserve a date for another special issue two years from now, and we are going along with his suggestion. The next special WCC edition of Linn's will be for June, 1965. No doubt there will be many members who might be desirous of contributing articles then.

On 1 April 1963, Unit 6 of A.P.O. 503 was re-established at the main printing plant and business, editorial and circulation offices of "Pacific Stars & Stripes" in Tokyo, Japan. At that time, Ray Milling, stamp editor of Pacific Stars & Stripes and a member of WCC had a number of postal cards stamped with the first day of use of the all purpose cancel in red ink. He will send to any WCC member who will send him the cost of the cards (4¢) plus a stamped addressed return envelope. Please state that you are a member of the WCC.

Major Ralph L. Barger, an overseas member stationed in Germany, wrote in that a "dedication of Air-Post Office 57" took place at Rhein-Main Air Base, Germany on May 15th. This event was sponsored by "Rhein-Main Stamp & Coin Collectors" group. Postmaster J. Edward Day was present at the ceremony as well as other high officials. Members who might be interested in obtaining the cacheted First Day cover, write to Major Barger, G-2, Section, Hqs. X Corps, APO 79, H.Y., H.Y. Price per cover 25¢ postpaid. Major Barger will also provide covers from APO 757 which is using a meter, for anyone who sends a self addressed envelope and postage.

John K. Donoghue, a member of our club for only one year, collects Navals and also the stamps of Croatia. At the recent Compex show held in Chicago Mr. Donoghue was awarded the Grand Invitational Award for his showing of 46 frames of Croatia, and it surely gives us great pleasure to congratulate him for winning this high honor.

We have received many letters from members praising the quality of the WCC bulletins and would prefer not to mention them; personally I always feel that there is room for improvement. However, the one note I received from Member George Hamerschmidt is worth mentioning because I like the slogan phrase it denotes. Quoting from the note; "WCC MEMBERSHIP IS ONE OF THE WISEST INVESTMENTS A PHILATELIST CAN MAKE", Congratulations on an excellent year".

Delf Horona has always been looked up to as the foremost philatelist of the WCC during the years that he was a member of the club and in fact up to the present date. His name has been frequently spoken with reverence and awe by the philatelic world at large.

Mr. Horona was originally member No. 4 of the WCC, he helped organize the club and did outstanding work as editor of the "War Cover Club Philatelist" for a number of years. He wrote many informative articles and did considerable research, and also designed the "Classification System" of AEF cancels of WW-I, which system has become standard for identifying all the different types of postmarks in use by US Forces overseas. Mr. Horona has returned to the WCC with his old membership no. 4, and we heartily welcome his return. Mr. Horona will serve as research editor of the WCC.

Member David Opperman is planning to write an article of the "Eagle Boats" of WW-I. Does any member have any data on the subject, or can refer to references on covers. If a member does have such information, please write to Mr. Opperman at 1108 So. Cottage Grove, Urbana, Ill.

Harry B. Kern, 101 Tupelo Rd., Edgewood, Md. writes that on April 20, 1963, the last covers were postmarked from Army Chemical Center, Md. and on May 1, the first covers were postmarked from Edgewood Arsenal, Md. (new name) Due to the short notice and the military nature of the change they were unable to secure the usual publicity.

A local printer hurriedly printed 300 sets of covers for their local stamp club, showing the post Hqs Building and the appropriate wording. These covers are available through the local stamp club, priced at 35¢ per set or 3 for \$1.00. Write to Mr. Kern.

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- 554 - Mrs. W. E. Barnett, P.O. Box 417, Palermo, Calif.
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- 564 - Mrs. A. E. Townsend, 17 Redcoat Road, Norwalk, Conn.
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- 565 - Forrest W. Calkins, P.O. Box 877, Grand Junction, Colo.
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- 568 - Stanley L. Frankel, 2261 Ocean Ave., Brooklyn 29, N. Y.
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- 569 - Robert Hess, 519 W. Arbor Vitae, Inglewood, Calif.
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- 570 - Florence A. Walker, 334 West California Blvd., Pasadena, Calif.
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- 571 - Dusty Royer, 5514 Winchelsea, Normandy 21, Mo.
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- 572 - E. Herbert Mayer, 2719 York Road, Columbus 21, Ohio.
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- 577 - David D. Howell, 286 Jayne Ave., Oakland 10, Calif.
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Reinstated

No. 4 - Delf Morona, 315 7th St., Moundsville, West Virginia
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Change of Address

" 484 - Karl Bielenberg, Box 1689, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N. J.
" 489 - Pvt. Colin R. Bruce, H.H.B. - 56 AD-BDE, Ft. Banks, Mass.
" 463 - Dr. Melvin Kahn, 382 Central Park West, New York 25, N. Y. Apt. 19P.
" 339 - Capt. H. F. Rommel, USN, 1042 Algonquin Rd., Norfolk 5, Va.
" 547 - Sol Salkind, 7 E. 42 St., New York 17, N. Y. Room 505.

Deceased

" 497 - Miss Lorraine Carlson, Hotel Schuyler, New York 36, N.Y.

Ray Milling sent in the following: "On page 458 of the April 1963 WCC bulletin, Harry Weymer wrote on Japanese Seapost Offices. He mentioned the ARGENTINA and BRAZIL MARU. In addition there is the SANTOS MARU and covers should be mailed to the purser in care of the Yokohama Post Office for all three ships.

Did you know the USA once had an APO in Monaco? Gale Raymond spotted this in a European article. It was A.P.O. 752C, which existed in Monte Carlo from 8 Feb. 1919 to 15 May 1919. Has any member seen, or possesses, one of these covers? This info is from a highly-detailed magnificent article by Colonel DeLoste, "La Poste Militaire Americaine en France", in No. 152, LES FEUILLES MARCOPHILES, bulletin of L'UNION MARCOPHILE (France). Gale has donated the article to the WCC library. Editor's note on above: This APO is listed in Hennen Sanford's book of "AEF Mail" and if a cover does exist it would be in the collection of Harvey Crowell who has the largest AEF collection in the country.

Member Robert S. Gordon collects "U.S. Postmarks & Markings (no A.P.O.'s) from foreign countries. Mr. Gordon has possibly the most thorough check list of every known marking on covers wherever such markings were used. One of the very scarce ones, only two known, is the cancel which reads "U.S.N.R. Sta., RUSSIAN ISLAND, VLADIVOSTOCK, SIBERIA". The wording appears between broken concentric circle. His notation on this piece reads: "According to Morona, this marking was turned over to the U.S. Naval authorities in Siberia in November 1921. There was a Marine Detachment of 18 men stationed at this point (Russian Island in Vladivostock Bay) from Feb. 16, 1920 to Nov. 19, 1922. There is no such post office listed in any Postal Guide, although this place is shown in the July 1922 Guide as having navy mail service on June 23, 1922."

Abraham Flatau, PO Box 657, Edgewood, Md. mails out periodically a list of different category covers he has for sale. His last list had a quantity of Lindburgh covers, some Alaska's from the 30's & UNEF material. If interested write to Mr. Flatau.

Anthony Maita is a dealer of military books, some of these books give historical data of great importance to those members who collect covers from small wars and who are looking for certain information hard to obtain. Mr. Maita will send his circular of old books and prices for same upon request. Write to 2928 No. Rideway Ave., Chicago 18, Ill.

Forrest W. Calkins is interested in obtaining covers from APO 7, WW-II. He served all thru the war with that outfit and sad to say did not save the covers sent home. Now Mr. Calkins is trying to assemble some of those APO 7's from different units & different dates. Can any member help out? Address: PO Box 877, Grand Junction

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Financial Report July 1, 1962 to June 30, 1963

Receipts

July 1, 1962 - Balance on hand ... \$19.15
Membership Dues 350.00
Bulletin Advertising 13.25
Sale of APO Location Books 28.80

Disbursements

Bulletin Printing \$243.07
Postage 73.60
Stationery 22.27
National Federation Dues 2.00
Miscellaneous 9.10

Total Receipts 411.20 Total Disbursements 350.04
June 30, 1963 - Balance on hand 61.16

Respectfully submitted, Isadore Willinger, Sec.-Treas.

United States Naval Construction Battalions Located in Alaska, WW-II

Compiled by James Russell

4th H.C.B. - Left Bremerton, Wash. in June 1942 for Dutch Harbor, arrived July 5th. The Battalion was then divided into three groups: 200 men were sent to Eider Point, 350 men to Unalaska, the remainder stationed at Fort Mears area, Amaknak Island. In August 1942 a detachment of 200 men were sent to Adak and Amchitka in the Aleutians and remained there five months. In June 1943 the entire Battalion returned to the States for thirty day leave.

8th H.C.B. - Arrived Dutch Harbor July 14, 1942, the 8th Battalion worked on 78 separately listed projects in the Amaknak, Dutch Harbor vicinity and on projects on eight outposts extending from Cold Bay to Adak. This Battalion returned to Camp Parks, Calif. in August 1943.

12th H.C.B. - Arrived Kodiak Sept. 13, 1942. During April 1943, three companies of this group left Kodiak for Dutch Harbor, followed by the remainder of the battalion about the middle of May. On May 21, 1943 a detachment of 3 officers and 100 men landed on Attu. Starting from 19 June 1943 the outfit left for Adak in three detachments. The second detachment left Dutch Harbor July 25, the third on July 26th. The Battalion arrived back in the states on Sept. 16, 1943.

13th H.C.B. - Arrived Dutch Harbor August 26, 1942. The following spring two detachments were sent to Akutan, Alaska, returning to the batt. in June & July. On August 14, 1943 the outfit sailed for the States.

21st H.C.B. - Embarked for Alaska Oct. 10, 1942, arrived Oct. 18th. The battalion operated for 14 months from Dutch Harbor, with detachments on Atka, Adak, and Ogliaca, returning to Camp Parks on Dec. 14, 1943.

22nd H.C.B. - Reached Sitka November 28, 1942, moved to Attu July 15, 1943. Left for the States March 28, 1944.

23rd H.C.B. - Served on Kodiak from fall of 1942 to summer of 1943, one company moved to Cold Bay in May 1943; one company arrived ADAK February 1943. During June and July more units were shifted to ADAK.

Landed at MASSACRE BAY (ATTU) May 11, 1943. Left for States last day of 1943.

26th H.C.B. - Half of this Battalion arrived at Kodiak to relieve the 79th Battalion on September 23, 1944.

32nd H.C.B. - The Battalion arrived Dutch Harbor, December 22, 1942, and then moved to ADAK in three echelons in order for them to be accommodated properly. The 32nd switched operations to ANDREW LAGOON August 1, 1943. During the months of February, April and May of 1944, the unit returned to Camp Parks. The Battalion was disbanded on May 29, 1944.

38th H.C.B. - Arrived at KODIAK on April 30, 1943. A detachment landed on KISKA, August 21, 1943; another detachment arrived on ADAK, August 1943; All units were returned to ADAK, October 31, 1943.

41st H.C.B. - Sailed from Seattle January 24, 1943. After operating at KODIAK for slightly more than a year, the Battalion returned to Camp Parks, Calif. in March 1944.

42nd H.C.B. - Arrived at Dutch Harbor, January 5, 1943. Detachments were assigned to ADAK and AMCHITKA in March, with entire Battalion grouping at ADAK by 1 November. The 42nd left ADAK in April 1944 and returned to Camp Parks.

43rd H.C.B. - Arrived KODIAK January 10, 1943; Company D transferred to SAND POINT until July and then returned to KODIAK. Another detachment of four officers and ninety-six men was assigned to SAND POINT for thirty days during August. The Battalion returned to the States in five echelons during January and February 1944.

45th H.C.B. - Arrived Kodiak February 17, 1942, stayed seven months and then divided into three sections before moving to SITKA, ADAK and TANAGA in September. The Battalion left Alaska May 1, 1944 and reached Camp Parks, May 22. It was disbanded June 15, 1944.

51st H.C.B. - Arrived Dutch Harbor February 17, 1943. Worked on projects for slightly more than a year, the unit left Dutch Harbor March 6, 1944 and reached Camp Parks March 14th.

52nd H.C.B. - Arrived Dutch Harbor February 17, 1943. Most of 52nd HCB transferred operations to SAND BAY or GREAT SITKA ISLAND in April 1943. The entire Battalion (except for a small group at ADAK expediting Battalion business) was stationed at SAND POINT from May 31 to October 31. By February 9, 1944, the 52nd except for Company A, moved to ADAK; it was joined by Co. A. in April. The Battalion left ADAK April 28 and returned to Port Hueneme, Calif.

66th H.C.B. - Arrived at ADAK August 31, 1943. A detachment was sent to Sand Bay on Great Sitkan Island for duty from April 26, 1944 until October 4, 1944. Detachments of various sizes were sent from ADAK to ATTU beginning with July; the largest of these groups left July 1 and 28. All units were back with the battalion at ADAK November 14th. The entire group left for the states December 12th and arrived at Camp Parks Christmas, 1944.

68th H.C.B. - Arrived at Port Hueneme, Cal. June 19, 1943 and after a three weeks stay it sailed to ADAK in the ALEUTIANS and then proceeded to ATTU, where it arrived July 29, 1943. It remained on ATTU for one year and three months. Left for the states December, 1944.

79th H.C.B. - Shipped out of KODIAK, ALASKA May 6, 1943. Detachments were stationed at COLD BAY where it did maintenance work. Other detachments were at ADAK and ANCHITKA. Left Alaska October 4, 1944.

85th H.C.B. - Arrived Dutch Harbor May 30, 1943. On November 1, Company B, which had been detached in the States to form C.B.M.U. 509, rejoined the battalion. From March to August 1944 a detachment of the battalion was on duty at ATTU and on the day it rejoined the battalion the first echelon embarked for the States, arriving at Camp Parks October 11, 1944.

86th H.C.B. - Arrived ADAK on June 3, 1943. A detachment of 80 men was sent to Great Sitkan Island in September and returned in December. Another detachment was sent to Sitkin in April 1944 and returned in November. Small detachments were sent in July to Amchitka, Tanaga and Andrews Lagoon, assembling with the battalion at ADAK on November 14, 1944. Embarked for the States on November 15.

114th H.C.B. - Arrived KISKA April 1945. ----- 124th H.C.B. - ADAK.

138th H.C.B. - Arrived Kiska February 1, 1944. Remained until April 1945. A detachment sent to ADAK from ATTU November 14, 1944 for maintenance work.

5th Special - Arrived Dutch Harbor April 1943. Half of the Battalion went to ADAK. Other half followed to ADAK in July 1943. A small detachment also worked on Sand Bay.

7th Special - Arrived Dutch Harbor June 28, 1943. In February 1944 half of the battalion was still operating at Dutch Harbor, the other half at ADAK. In March 1944 the two sections regrouped at ADAK. The Dutch Harbor half left for the States May 20 and was designated as the second section. The first section was ordered from ADAK to the States September 22, arriving during October 1944.

8th Special - Reached KODIAK August 6, 1943. Half of battalion departed at once for ATTU. On February 23, 1944 the unit was again split, to permit sending a detachment to DUTCH HARBOR.

C.B.M.U.'s - (Construction Battalion Marine Units)

508 - Formed from 66th Batt. arrived at Dutch Harbor May 30, 1943. On duty there for five months and was inactivated November 1, 1943 then transferred to 85th Battalion.

509 - Reached Amchitka June 8, 1943 and with Amchitka as main base detachments were sent to Tanaga and Kiska. Tour of duty ended September, 1944.

510 - Arrived Atka on June 2, 1943. At different times during its 15 months of duty at Atka, parts of the unit were sent to Cold Bay, Dutch Harbor, Otter Point and Adak. Tour of duty ended October 6, 1944.

512 - Arrived Sitka in July 1943. Returned to States August 22, 1944.

635 - Personnel from 126th Battalion, Section 2 formed this Unit at Dutch Harbor July 15, 1945. Still there when war ended.

C.B.D.'s - (Construction Battalion Detachments)

101 1017 - Second tour of duty took this Unit to Kodiak arriving on February 18, 1945. Still in operation at Kodiak and at Cold Bay when war ended.

1018 - Sailed from Seattle September 9, 1943. On duty at Attu for more than a year. The detachment merged into the 138th on November 1944.

1022 - Arrived Adak September 18, 1943. On December 2nd a detachment from 66th Battalion was added to Unit. Entire Unit departed for States September 24, 1944.

1058 - Arrived at Point Barrow August 1944, inactivated March 1, 1946.

United States Navy Shore Base Post Offices, World War II
Located in Alaska

Navy No.

65 - Great Sitkan Island, (Fuel Station)	163 - Attu Island
83 - St. Paul's Island, (Fuel Station)	229 - Atka Island
84 - St. Mathews Island, (C.G. Unit 5)	230 - Adak Island
85 - Unmak Island, (C.G. Unit 40)	318 - Constantine Harbor, Amchitka Isl.
86 - Cape Sarichef, (C.G. Unit 25)	422 - Kiska Island
127 - Kodiak	624 - Otter Point, Unmak Island
148 - Shemja Island	628 - Tanaga Island
151 - Dutch Harbor	629 - Akutan Island

In order to properly identify covers from above locations, which include both N.C.B.'s and Navy Shore Base Post Offices you have to check upon the return addresses of your covers. This is the only sure way of identifying the exact locations.

Wanted to purchase - Naval covers of World War I which have markings reading: "U.S. Forces in Europe" also U.S. slogans which read "Marshall Plan" used in various cities in the U.S. Will purchase in any quantity.
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WANTED - UNITEA covers, military or civil postmarks. Also D.H.G. sub-P.O. cancels and covers. Purchase or exchange. (I have USAF covers UNITEA, Sorong; & UNEF, UNOC Polar Islands, etc. Gale Raymond, P.O. Box 35143, Houston 35, Texas. WCC #384.

1. .60	23. 1.60	45. 1.60	68. 3.25	90. 3.50	112. 2.25	134. 1.15	156. 2.25
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8. .50	30. 4.10	53. 1.70	75. 2.10	97. .35	119. 5.80	141. 3.10	163. 1.10
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12. 1.00	34. 5.25	57. .40	79. 1.00	101. 4.25	123. 1.40	145. .50	167. 2.20
13. 1.25	35. 3.25	58. 2.75	80. .90	102. .60	124. 5.00	146. 1.10	168. 2.10
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21. .75	43. 1.40	66. 1.00	88. .40	110. 3.00	132. 1.90	154. 2.00	176. 5.30
22. 1.50	44. 1.60	67. 1.20	89. 1.30	111. 2.20	133. 2.30	155. 1.90	

18th War Cover Club Sale

September 22, 1963

- Stampless cov. canc'd Washington, in pink; stamped "Free" franked by Navy Comm. Jn. Rodgers, about 1823. VF
- Stampless cov. franked in script "Navy Yard Wash., T.W. Tingey" (He was founder & 1st Commandant of Navy Yard in 1800 until death in 1829). VF.
- Stampless cov. canc'd Wash. D.C. (about 1835) stamped "Free" franked "Navy Comm. Office" w/signature. VF.
- Civil War. Letter dated 10/16/63 from Surgeon Coles headed "USS Paul Jones" off Charleston; gives description of ship (gunboat).. Rebels firing at Ft. Sumpter. VF.
- "Confederate States, Navy Dept" transfer orders-Richmond '64. 8 1/2 x 11 sheet transferring Lt. from Selma to Wilmington, sgnd by Capt; w/large handstamp rec'd mkg "Quartermasters Dept 9/12/64 C.S.A. Macon, Ga." Unusual & VF.
- Letter on stationery "Confederate States..War Dept, Richmond", '63. F.
The following 8 lots are unused Union Patriotic covers. Very fine condition.
- Bi-color flag w/Quote
- Bi-color flag & cannon
- Secession cavalry (soldiers on negroes)
- Beauregard chased by cannonball (fancy)
- Unused comic patriotic "Capt. Baker of pirate Savannah". VF.
- Cov w/3¢ stmp '63 Wash. canc (blurred) w/pasted on G. Washington shield (not tied).
- Cov w/3¢ stmp '65 "Hampton Fort, Va." canc. w/soldiers letter enclosed. F.
- Cov add'd to "US Ship Constitution, Naval Acad. Newport". 3¢ stmp, N.Y. canc '63 Fair
- Cov add'd to "US Ship Allagany, Baltimore". 3¢ stmp canc'd Portland '63. F.
- 2 Dukes Cigarette sm booklets. Colorful. Hist. of Gen. Sigel & Hancock. '88. VF.
- Spanish American War. 1 cov (tear at l. & t) canc'd "Mil Sta No 1, Manila, P.I.
- Cov "soldiers letter" w/1 stmp missing; same canc. but steel 3/38/99 F.
- Sold. letter w/2¢ U.S. stmp; purple canc "Phil Sta. San Fran." 9/26/98. Fine. 8 1/2 x 11
- Sold. letter (stampless) w/double circle canc "Mil Sta. No. 1 Phil." 1/1/99. F. 1 1/2 x 3 1/2
- 2¢ de peso Cuban embossed env. w/10 centavo stmp w/unclear canc. w/cc "A.C. Townsend, Clerk, Hdg. Division, Employees Letter". F.
- Local cov canc'd "Mil. Sta. 1 Porto Rico 10/24/98" w/U.S. 2¢ stmp. F.
- Boer War. 1 cov (fair) & 1 front (poor) add'd to POW camp w/POW cens. mkg.
- 18 covs to London w/Br. FPO & APO canc. About 1/2 are poor, rest fair.
- 4 covs (1 poor-3 fair) w/script mkg "No stamps available"; 1 w/Br Army FPO canc & 1 "Army PO S. Af." canc. All to London w/"Paid" mkg on face. 1900-01.
- 1 cov. w/r.a. "46 Coy. Imp. Yeomanry Table Bay, Capetown" - No stamps available; add'd to Ireland w/Br stmp added canc'd "Packet" & "Paid". VF.

31. 10 C.of G.H. covs. All w/triangle cens in var. colors. 4 w/Capetown cens. Nice.
32. 1 cov '02 w/Orange River stmp w/handpainted picture of ship "SS Svevic" w/signal flags & handsome colored drawing of Indian cavalryman on face. Unusual.
33. USN. 1 lg cov w/cc "Office of C-in-C US Naval Force on Asiatic Station, Flagship Brooklyn" w/Jap stamp canc'd Nagasaki, Japan 1901. VF.
34. Russo-Japanese War. 1 beaut. p.c. w/flags & 2 Jap generals. Large fancy cancel on back "Triumph of Manchurian Headquarters '05". VF.
35. 1 p.c. showing Princesses making bandages w/Triumphal Mil. Review canc on face.VF.
36. 1 p.c. of cannon w/Yasukuni shrine(war dead) canc on face. 5/4/06.(So. #112) VF.
37. 1 p.c. (Mythological warrior) w/stmps & canc on face - Naval Commem Day '06 -
38. Launching of Ship Satsuma '06 & Coronation 1921 spec. canc. V.F.
38. 1 p.c. (Samurai) w/stmp & fancy canc on face "Triumphal Milit. Review" '06. VF.
39. Japan. 1 p.c. w/crossed Jap & U.S. flags w/pict of Ard. Sperry w/fancy canc. on back "1908 Commem. of Visit of American Fleet". VF.

Following lots are USN early cancels on post cards, except as noted:

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| 40. <u>USS Newark</u> 9/17/12. F. | 41. <u>USS Denver</u> 6/3/09 (Trimmed cov) F. |
| 42. <u>USS Tacoma</u> 7/7/09. VF | 43. <u>USS Galveston</u> (sm cov) 12/4/14 VF. |
| 44. <u>USS Pennsylvania</u> (sm cov) 5/2/10. VF. | 45. <u>USS Tennessee</u> 1/2/14 w/Naval Yd Phil. F |
| 46. <u>USS So. Dakota</u> 8/6/10. VF. | 47. <u>USS Washington</u> 8/8/10 (sm cov) F. |
| 48. <u>USS Washington</u> 1/11/09 (sm cov) F. | 49. <u>USS Birmingham</u> 9/24/10. F. |
| 50. <u>USS New Orleans</u> 9/13/11 VF Ship log on f. | 51. <u>USS New Jersey</u> 5/31/09. F. |
| 52. <u>USS Salem</u> 7/13/14 VF. w/Mex waters in ra | 53. <u>USS Virginia</u> 3/15/15 "Cuba" in killer |
| 54. <u>USS Ohio</u> 5/13/16 VF. Plus pc of ship. | 55. <u>USS Dolphin</u> 2/19/14 (sm cov). VF. |
| 56. <u>USS Prairie</u> 12/7/11 (Name clear-date blur) | 57. <u>USS Celtic</u> 2/?/13. F. |
| 58. <u>USS Glacier</u> 9/1/09 VF. | 59. <u>USS Vestal</u> 4/1/16(sm cov) w/Flagship cc. F. |
| 60. <u>USS Dubuque</u> 6/10/11. F. | 61. <u>USS Independence</u> 4/25/12/ F. |
| 62. <u>USS Hancock</u> 5/12/14 F. (Vera Cruz p.c.) | 63. <u>USS Wabash</u> 4/11/11 Pink rec'd canc.VF |
| 64. <u>USS Maryland</u> 12/10/08 VF. | 65. <u>USS Minnesota</u> . 9/24/12. VF. |

More U. S. Navy covers. All clear canc. 1930-1941

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| 66. 25 dif. ships w/cachets. All w/China locations in killer. | 67. Same. No cachets. |
| 68. 25 dif. ships w/cachets. All w/Hawaii " " " " | 69. Same. No cachets. |
| 70. 30 dif. submarines w/cachets. | 71. Same. No cachets. |
| 72. 100 dif ships w/cachets & w/locations in killer. | 73. Same. No cachets. |
| 74. 100 dif ships. Few w/cachets. | 75. 25 dif ships w/Crosby sm. photo cachets. |

WORLD WAR I

76. Austria. Red Cross POW cd.(Russ. & Fr Prtg) from Gutovo-Tomsk Cmp (Siberia) F.
77. 1 Feldpost cd canc'd APO 93 w/scarcce Aust. Air Force Co. 1 cachet. VF. 2-3f
78. 65 European size covs; mstly Official w/Feldpost cancs & Unit mkg's. F.
79. 150 Feldpost cards w/var. cancels & Unit cachets. Fine group.
80. Canada. 2 covs w/FPO canc T10 (Dardanelles-poor) & S13 (Hospital Hkg on b.-fine)
81. 1 sm cov(ragged at r) w/handstmp "Canadian Sold Ltr. C Battery Reserve Brig".
82. 5 covs from Mail Br. Halifax; Salonika; Dardanelles; FPO Ypres. Fair only.
83. France. Over 200 APO (Tresor et Poste) covs. Var. canc's & mkg's. Unusual.
84. 50 Pict. p.c's- War scenes, ruins, comics, patriotic etc. Mostly unused. Nice.
85. 3 books p.c's- Military scenes, ruins, cemeteries; Argonne; Rheims; Pompelle.
86. Germany. 1 unused 5pf Red Cross "Kriegskarte '14". Kaiser on face w/message. VF.
87. 3 covs w/cancs 6th Army; 52nd Infantry; 12 Landwehr Div. (turned cov). F.
88. 3 Feld p.c's & 1 cov w/22, 37, 45, 53 Reserve Division cancels. VF.
89. 3 unused p.c's w/photos of 3 types of tanks. Unusual.
90. 1 Cens. p.c. & cov w/stmps "Occupation of Roumania" & 1 Marsaw Occ. w/10 Fen Red square cancel. VF.
91. 3 Official covs w/canc of French P.O.'s & Germ unit mkg's + Luttich Cens. cd. VF -7f
92. 11 dif. Deutsch Marine Schiffpost covs (2 lg). Diff. numbers in canc's. F.
93. 1 Off. cov w/bilingual canc "Feldpost Mil Miss. Konstantinopel". F. '18.
94. Gr. Britain. 6 prt'd POW covs w/var mkg's & cachets of Knockaloe(5) & Douglas(1); POW Camps on Isle of Man. F.
95. 1 Reg. cov. canc'd APO Z (Alexandria, Egypt) w/reg label & cens. Mkg's. Fair.

96. Germany. 1 unused p.c. depicting crew of "Submarine Liner Deutschland"- First Trans-Atlantic voyage; Baltimore 7/9/16 "For the Benefit of POW's in Siberia plus p.c. depicting sub (Fair). Anyone have story on this. Sounds interesting.
97. Gr.Brit. 70 APO covs & cards. Nice condition. Many dif canc. & cens. mks.
98. Hong Kong. 1 cov w/mkg "POW-Free under Convention" '15 canc. w/Provost cachet. VF.
99. Italy. 4 POW cards add'd to POW's in Germany w/German cens. mks. VF.
100. 5 Feldpost cards (1 poor) w/multi-color crossed flags. F.
101. Japan. 1 prt'd POW cov from "Hiroshima" camp w/var. cens. mks to Germany '18. F.
102. 1 Official p.c. (pastoral scene) "Restoration of Peace" w/peace stmp on b. VF.
103. Palestine. 3 covs. (2 regis) canc'd APO 45 '18 w/1 pi EEF stamp w/mkgs "Palestine Censorship" Ho's 1, 2 & 3. VF.
104. Siberia. 13 dif unused Siberia pict. p.c's 1919. Showing diff allied troops & soldier scenes in Vladivostock, incl AEF landings. Very scarce. MIN BID \$8.
105. So.Africa. 2 prt'd POW covs canc'd P. Maritzburg '18. Tri-lingual POW mkg. F.
106. 2 sim. covs but 1 Regis & other add'd to Germany c/o Hostile Countries Censor. VF.
107. 1 Active Serv. cd canc'd "Army Base 4 So.Af." '18 & 1 Cens. cov. VF.
108. S.W.Africa. 4 Cens. covs (1 cd) of former Germ. colony w/Br. canc. & altered German cancels. Var. cens. mks. VF.
109. Trieste & Venezia Giulia. 4 covs (2 Cens.) w/var. overprinted stmps & canc. F.
110. U.S.A. 1 p.c. cancel "US Postal Agency Shanghai 10/16/16." VF. *115*
111. 1 sm cov "Sailors Mail" cancel USN 2/26/19 w/script r.a. "USN Forces Russia" VF.
112. Propaganda Leaflet dropped by Germans on AEF. "Are you sure you want to die for the English Empire..." etc. VF.
113. 1 cov w/American Red Cross cc cancel "US Postal Agency Siberia 11/10/19 on 2¢ US stamp. Box blue Cens "AEF Siberia Passed as Censored..Base Cens" Rep. but F.
114. 25 p.cs mailed from France by US soldiers. Mostly cens. w/APO canc. Fr scenes.
115. 4 U.S. Ambulance Corps covs. from France. 1917. Battered.
116. 53 used US Army Post. money orders w/almost all dif APO-MOB canc. Unusual.
117. 4 covs (1 cd) cancel APO 813; 822; 839; 840. Mystery series. Scarce & VF.
118. 100 mixed APO covers. Nothing special but quantity. Usual condition. /red
119. 1 YMCA cov. w/USN Lansdale script r.a. cancel "Squad 2 Patrol Force '19 (date blur-
120. Misc. 20 POW covs add'd to Danish R.C. from Austria, Russia & Germany. Nice.
121. Misc. 100 mixed Censored covers. Mostly to U.S.; Various countries.

More U.S. Naval Covers

122. 13 covs. 1927. USS Arizona; Okla.; Texas; Colo.; N. Mex.; Brazos; Antares; Penn.; Raleigh; Kittery; Argonne; Idaho; Detroit (Gravesend, Eng.). Good stamps used. VF.
123. 17 covs 1927. USS Camden, Chat. Thierry; Hannibal; Hopkins; Idaho; Medusa; Melville; Melvin; Milwaukee (st. line); N.Y.; Omaha; Relief; Richmond; Tenn.; Tulsa; Vestal. VF
124. 36 dif. ships (19 cacheted) 1930-40; incl'd g 2 w/China in killer. VF.
125. 11 cach. covs "US Frigate Constitution" 1932. Various ports in killer. VF.
126. 60 Shore Station canc. ('32-47) incl Shanghai, IAS Guam; Torp Squad; Bomb Sq. VF.
127. 7 early p.cs of ships- USS Wisc; N.Y.; Mass.; Tacoma; Chester + 6 later & foreign.
128. 2 early color p.cs of USS Wisconsin & Connecticut. VF.

U. S. Marine Corps Covers.

129. 1 sm cov w/12¢ U.S. postage cancel "Vera Cruz, Mex. USMAG 6/23/14". VF *375*
130. 1 lg Navy Off cov cancel "San Domingo Dominican Republic 5/29/18" "US Marines in killer w/large cens. mkg & "Head of Mil. Gov." cachet (sm rep. tear) F.
131. 1 sm cov cancel "USMC Constabulary Det. Port au Prince Haiti 8/3/28". VF.
132. 2 covs (1 lg) w/2 types cancel "US Marine Corps Cape Haitien, Haiti" '29-30. VF *125*
133. 2 sm covs w/2 types cancel. "USMC Port au Prince Haiti" '28-29; 1 w/10¢ airmail stamp marked "Aeroplane Mail". VF.
134. 1 sm cov. cancel "5th Reg. USMC Managua, Nicaragua 9/24/27". VF.
135. 1 sm cov. w/lg purple cancel "Marine Corps Exp. Forces Nicaragua 5/20/28". VF. *415*
136. 1 sm cov cancel "USMC 5th Reg. 2d Brig. Managua, Nic. 7/6/28" w/script "Marine Exp. Forces..No stamps available" w/r.a. in script "Cleveland Marines" VF.
137. 1 sm cov cancel "Fifth Reg. USMC Managua, Nic. 5/26/29" on US 2¢ stamp. VF.
138. 1 sm cov cancel "4th Reg. USMC West Coast Expeditionary Force 7/6/28". F.

139. 1 sm cov canc'd "Third Brig. US Marines China 1/7/29". VF.
140. 1 sm cov. canc'd "4th Reg. USMC Shanghai, China 7/30/29". VF
141. Folded ltr w/China stmps from Lt. Col at American Barracks, Tientsin '37 w/int-eresting short commentary on China-Japan War. VF.
142. 1 sm cov (sm tears at t) w/pink handstamp "2nd Mar. Brigade No postage available Glenn Hayes, Capt.." canc'd "2nd II. Brig 12/9/37 Shanghai, China". F.
143. 6 USMC covs of WWII incl 2 lg covs canc'd "1st Brig '41 w/US Marines, Iceland in k."
144. Spanish Civil War. 1 cov from Ital sold w/APO "Posta Spec. 12" 1938. canc. F
145. 2 cens covs '38-9 from Seville & Vigo. 1 w/mkg "Viva Espana - Heil Hitler". VF.

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146. Algiers. 1 folded ltr from It. POW to US w/PW cens mkg & r.a. RE Camp 211, Alg. F.
147. Australia. 25 FPO covs plus 20 covs which are cens'd or w/mil cmp canc. HB \$2.
148. 1 sm "Free" cov w/fancy canc "HMAS Hobart 9/2/45 Tokyo, Japan". Unusual. VF.
149. 1 patriotic map-flag cov w/war saving stmp added & 3 RAAF Concession covs. Fair.
150. Canada. 1 POW prt'd folded ltr to U.S. canc'd Base APO '40 w/st line & Int Op Crown censor mkgs from Internee at Camp "M".
151. 16 covs mostly FPO cancels. Worth about \$1.00
152. East Africa. 2 covs from Ital POW's to US cancel "POW-EAC w/PW box mkg. Cens. F."
153. Egypt. 10 covs. 7 w/Egypt Prepaid canc & 1 Port Said cancel. Fine group.
154. 1 crown cens cov (rep. tear) cancel "Egypt 87 Prepaid (H. Zealand Maadi cmp)" F.
155. Eritrea. 1 cens cov w/Br. stmps ovpt'd MEF cancel "Asmara Centro '44". F.
156. Germany. 4 covs (2 w/Hitler stmps) Deutsche Dienstpost from Ukraine, Minsk, Riga. VF (85)
157. 1 Feldpost cd cancel "Krems-Gneixendorf Lager '42 w/Stamlager 17B cach" (Navy PWcmp)
158. 1 prt'd POWcd OFLAG 18A to US w/instructions in Fr. re mail to POWs. Scarce. VF.
159. 6 POW cds from Stalag Luft 3; Stalag 4B; 6C; 6G, 6F, 7A. F.
160. 2 POW cds from POWs to U.S. from Stalag 2B & Oflog 64. 1 w/Luftpost mkg. VF.
161. 3 covs w/blue Luftfeldpost stamp. F.
162. 13 Feldpost covs. All w/eagle-swastika unit cachets. VF. 1.85
163. 8 Feldpost covs (1 od-depicting free fall chutist '41) w/German town canc. F.
164. 14 Feldpost covs. w/blind canc (date only-no location) w/Feldpost cachets. VF.
165. 13 Feldpost covs. (few patriotic slogans) w/air force unit cachets. VF group. 1.50
166. 2 cds "American Aid for German POWs. 1941. Price 50¢" w/Germ mint stmp. VF.
167. 11 covs. All w/Hitler stmps as postage incl'd g 1 Krakow. F. - 75
168. Gr. Britain. 44 active service covs w/FPO canc. All w/RAF Censor mkgs. F.
169. 110 act. service covs. Various APO canc & some Maritime. Interesting lot.
170. 1 sm stmpless cov w/Czech Forces in G. Brit '42 cancel. Czech APO cancel on back. VF
171. 1 cov w/Br. stmp cancel "Czech FP 1/45" Crown Cens. Mailed from Europe to US. VF
172. Hungary. '46. 2 sm covs from refugee camps to US. No stmps w/post paid mkgs. VF.
173. India. 6 cens covs w/Security FPO canc. (4 on backs) 202, 220, 273, 287, 290, 131. F.
174. 4 sm cens covs cancel "RAFPOST So. East Asia #2, 3, 5 & 9" F.
175. Victory "Forces" air ltr sheet used. Multi-Color Empire troops inside. HB \$3.00
176. Japan. 1 p.c. w/view of Kanko, China w/Sc #B1 & fancy cancel for capture '38. VF. 1.40
177. 1 patriotic p.c. Planes w/fancy cancel on face-1st Anniversary of War '42. VF.
178. So. Africa. 1 Air ltr sheet used (Kessler #115) & same ovpt'd Basutoland (mint) VF.
179. 1 sm stmpless cov w/box mkg "POW Camp 4/15/44 Weza Camp". VF.
180. Sudan. 1 cov (torn at l) w/7 Sudan stmps cancel w/Brit. FPO 174. (Corner off cov)
181. U.S. 2 covs cancel "USS Schely 4/19/41 w/'Neutrality Patrol' in killer". VF.
182. 1 patriotic cov cancel's "USMC Midway Is. '42" w/"V" Cens. mkg. VF.
183. 1 patriotic cov (Eng. flag) cancel "Bremerton, Wash '41 w/Br. tombstone cens mkg & HMS Warspite Mail Office cachet". (Ship was damaged & pulled into US for repair) VF.
184. 1 cov add'd to Lt. Col. "Interned in Phil. Is. c/o Jap R.C. USN '43" cancel & cens.
185. 13 USN Ty. Z cancel on covs from USS Ashtabula(5); Columbia; Higbee; etc. + 5 APO covs.
186. 1 sm cov w/cancel "Coolidge Ariz Internment Br." '45 from sold stationed there. VF
187. 80 covs. All w/patriotic cachs. all dif camps, forts, air force canc. Many first day of service. Beautiful group. All clear cancels.
- 187A Collection unused stationery & letterheads from var. bases, camps, etc. over 200 pieces. VF.
188. Same as Lot 187 but only 24 of 80 covers are cacheted. VF.

189. U.S. 1 Seabee ltr booklet '43 mailed from Camp Endocott. 20 pages of info & photos.
190. 5 processed V-Mail - Full page Xmas, Easter & comic greetings '43-45, including 1 from USS Missouri. Excellent lot.
191. 3 more. 2 Easter Grtgs & 1 Seabee portrait of FDR "We mourn our loss". VF
192. 1 sm cov w/Eisenhower cachet canc'd "USS Wilkes-Barre Tokyo Bay 9/2/45" VF.
193. 30 patriotic cacheted covs. Almost all APO canc & a few camps. VF.
194. 1 APO cov '45 w/mkg "Damaged in Plane Crash". Battered.
195. 1 lg. cov. '36 w/mkg "Damaged By Conveyor". Sealed & messy.
196. Collection of 93 patriotic covs canc'd from '42-45 w/cachets & canc giving a chronological history of events. Unusual. VF.
197. Misc. 6 Cens covs Ceylon(2); India(3); Iraq. Includes 5 1st trips of SS Examiner & SS Exceller. VF.
198. 13 Cens. covs India(2); Gold Coast; So. Af. (3); Mozambique; S. Leone; Angola; Tangier. F
199. 40 Mixed AMG cens covs of Italy & Cens. Rhineland-Pfaltz & few Deutsche Post. Nice
200. 150 Cens covs to U.S. from all over. Many So. Amer & Br. Colonies. Nice stamps.

UNITED NATIONS

201. UNEF. 1 sm cov w/lg "UNEF 8/29/62 No.2" (Gaza) canc Danish Battalion cc. VF.
202. 2 sm covs from Yugoslav forces w/lg 1961-2 APO canc. F.
203. ONUC. 1 sm cov w/r.a. of Swedish Tech Gr. & large ONUC Congo '61 canc. VF.
204. 1 sm cov w/Leopoldville meter & cachet "Hdq 38th Infantry Bn. 3/26/63" Irish forces plus 1 cov add'd to same group. VF.
205. 1 sm cov w/cach "Danish ONUC Command Leopoldville" & st line mkg. Canc Copenh. VF
206. 1 Official UN envelope w/same mkgs as last lot w/ONUc canc. 1/17/63. VF

ANTARCTIC AND ARCTIC

207. 3 covs w/Falkland stamps cancel Adelaide Is; Base E, Ston. Is.; Base Z, Halley Bay. F.
208. 4 covs w/Falk. stamps cancel Signy Is.; Hope Bay; Argentine Is; S. Georgia. '61. VF.
209. 1 sm cov w/Falk. stamps w/cach of whaler "Southern Harvester" S. Georgia canc. F.
210. France. 3 '63 covs cancel Adelie, Derguelen Arch. & Crozet Island. VF.
211. Ross Depend. 1 cov cancel Scott Base '62. Cape Hallet cachet. Signed by team. VF.
212. Russia. 2 covs cancel Mirny '60 & New Lazarew Base. '62. VF.
213. Canada. 2 covs cancel Frobisher Bay w/CGS Iberville cach & Arctic Red River cancel w/Hudson Bay Co. corner card. VF. 1961-2.
214. 1 cov w/US & Norway stamps w/cach "Wilkins Ellsworth Trans-Arctic Submarine Exped. 1931" N.Y. to Bergen mkgs. Plus 1 SAS '54 Polar flite cover. VF.
215. Iceland. 2 covs cancel Reykjavik w/Gunboats cachets of "Aegir" & "Odina". VF.
216. Norway. 2 covs from Bear Island & Hope Is. Met. Station. 1961-2. VF.
217. U.S. 3 USN covs Gannet(Attu); Kingfisher (Ketchikan); Oglala (Great Sitka). All with Aleutian Surbey 1934 Expedition cachet. VF.
218. 1 cov cancel Mountain Village, Alaska '43 w/Dog Team Cach. Bckstmpd Hooper Bay.
219. 1 sm cov w/Byrd stmp "Little America 1/31/34" "Delayed for 1 year...difficulties in transportation". VF.
220. 1 sm cov w/S. Af. stamps & cancel; w/1st type rect. cach "Marion Is. So. Indian Ocean 8/26/48." VF. MIN.BID \$2.
221. A similar cov w/2nd type oval cach. "Marion Island 4/17/49. VF. MIN.BID \$2.

Miscellaneous

222. Danish West Indies. 1 pict. p.c. w/stmp cancel St. Thomas 2/13/99. VF.
223. Dutch New Guinea. 1 cov "Free" cancel APO 97; 10/2/62 to Holland. VF.
224. Germany. Catapult cov. "Seepost Europa" cancel w/Cachet "Deutscher Schleuderflug Europa-N.Y. 6/28/32. F.
225. Collection of 130 pict. p.cs of old historic U.S. forts. Interesting & unusual.
226. 50 pict p.cs (mostly early) of ships, ocean liners, steamers, ferries, etc. VF.
227. 2 covs w/cach "Royal Tour '63" w/cach "Mail Office HM Yacht Britannia, cancel in Australia & New Zealand. VF.
228. Nationalist China. 2 covs from APO 1, Quemoy Is. & APO 2, Natsu Is. VF. (10)
229. Orange Free State. 1885-9. 3 Een Penny postal cds. various cancels. VF.
230. So. Africa. 4 used Air Ltr Sheets (Kessler #1, 14b, 15b, 23) VF.

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