

Back Issue of Military Postal History Society 'Bulletin': (Bulletin Dec 1944)

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WAR COVER CLUB BULLETIN

December 1944

(Not to be sent overseas)

The illustrations in this Bulletin have been made by the photochemical mimeograph process. This method will probably continue to be used for the time being because of the considerable saving in cost. The pages are arranged so that they may be folded for filing or binding with the PHILATELIST. The editor will welcome suggestions for improving the Bulletin as well as contributions of markings and news items for publication in it.

All the important army and navy headquarters in this country and overseas have public relations sections which send out press releases to newspapers and other publications. Sometimes these communications come on cards, but generally they come in envelopes that frequently bear interesting markings. Try the editorial room of your newspaper for some of these covers. On pages 5 and 6 we publish a number of press censor markings that were used on such covers. These were contributed by member M. R. Baggett. There are many additional press censor markings that seem to be used only on the documents contained in the envelopes. These will be published if and when space permits.

The older members of the Club will regret to learn that Delf Norona has disposed of his entire philatelic collection. Mr. Norona was one of the founders of this Club, he served for several years as its president, and was the editor and publisher of the WAR COVER PHILATELIST. He has been the foremost student of the postal history of the AEF in the First World War. The published results of his investigations in that field will ever be invaluable to collectors. They have inspired other researches with the result that many phases of war cover collecting have been explored with scholarly thoroughness. War cover collecting in this country owes more to him than to any other individual. His collection is being sold by a dealer in Pittsburg.

We quote the following interesting excerpt from a letter from Corporal Lawrence Zieler: "My regiment was on the move two days after Pearl Harbor. Shortly thereafter all our outgoing mail was subject to censorship, even though we were still on home soil. A rubber stamp was purchased which bore the inscription CENSORED BTRY G -- CA(AA) in a single line. This censor marking was used by the outfit overseas until the W. D. adopted the standard censor markings. This censorship was probably instituted to conform to W. D. instructions to spot check a certain percentage of the mail of men suspected of being untrustworthy for one reason or another." It is quite possible that the censor markings mentioned in the July Bulletin as being used at the Eureka Base Section and at Camp Philipps have a similar explanation. Can anyone report other temporary censor marks used in this country?

Several examples of military censorship in this country have been reported in addition to those noted above. Mail coming out of the Raritan Arsenal bears a distinctive censor mark. Some letters from prisoners of war in this country are censored at the Provost Marshal General's Office in Washington and bear a large rectangular censor stamp. A cover from an Italian prisoner at Jackson Barracks in New Orleans bears one of the standard type of censor stamps used on soldiers' letters overseas, the rectangular-framed semi-oval.

MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING
1944-1945

167 Ahman, Bernard L., Jr.	3213 Frisby St., Baltimore 18, Md.	<u>U.S. WW 2</u>
132 Aldrich, Fred. W.	515 E. Garfield St., Glendale 5, Calif.	<u>WW 2</u>
150 Arnold, James R.	Box 71, Metuchen, N.J.	
169 Ashwill, Wm. S.	122 McClelland St., Salt Lake City 2, Utah.	<u>All censored</u>
90 Baggett, Michael R.	1321 N. Harrill St., Charlotte 2, N.C.	<u>All wars</u>
57 Bartley, D. C.	6035 8th Ave., N.E., Seattle, Wash.	<u>Naval</u>
75 Beerman, J. H.	Box 723, Hewlett, L.I., N.Y.	<u>Europe colonies</u>
163 Benjamin, Lt. Col. R. E.	Hq. Army Ground Forces, Army War College, Wash., D.C.	<u>U.S. Army, Navy, Foreign</u>
140 Berman, Cpl. Leon	784 Ord. LM Co., APO 81, c/o P.M., S. F., Calif.	<u>Mil. airm</u>
74 Black, Arthur F.	144 Providence Rd., Charlotte 4, N.C.	<u>WW 1,2</u>
126 Black, Stephen D.	209 4th Ave., Three Rivers, Mich.	<u>APO, Naval, Censored</u>
168 Bloom, Paul	1459 Wythe Place, Bronx 52, N.Y.	<u>All U.S. wars</u>
46 Brenner, C. D.	5 Montrose Rd., Berkeley 7, Calif.	<u>WW 1,2, POW, V-Mail</u>
82 Briggs, L. Cabot	Lloyd Harbor, Huntington, L.I., N.Y.	<u>Censor labels</u>
182 Brooke, Walter C.	210 W. 6th St., Boyertown, Penna.	<u>WW 2</u>
102 Burr, David H.	25 N. Main St., Gloversville, N.Y.	
111 Carroll, Andrew D.	185 Purdue Ave., Berkeley 8, Calif.	<u>POW, Casualty</u>
52 Case, Wm. O.	Pleasant Valley, Conn.	<u>WW 1</u>
155 Clark, Hugh M.	1 W. 47th St., N.Y. 19, N.Y.	<u>Civil war patriotcis</u>
174 Creighton, Chas.	333 Camino Real, Hermosa Beach, Calif.	<u>Oddities</u>
91 Cummings, Eugene P.	1106 Glen Drive, San Leandro, Calif.	<u>All U.S. wars</u>
116 Day, Pfc. Martin S.	13th RD, C & A Sect., APO 969, c/o P.M., S.F., Calif.	<u>WW 2</u>
187 Dermody, Harold	2317 S. 50th Ave., Cicero 50, Ill.	<u>All U.S., POW</u>
172 Dickel, John C.	2011 E. Birch St., Philadelphia, Penna.	<u>All wars</u>
151 Fusmer, Homer W.	Box 183, Canajoharie, N.Y.	<u>All airmail censored</u>
183 Garrison, Arthur T.	58 Nichols St., Bridgeton, N.J.	<u>U.S. mil. censored</u>
149 Gift, Lt. Thos. E.	4th Regt. Hq., IRTC, Fort McClellan, Ala.	<u>Air Force covers</u>
63 Hahn, Dave	5509 Bartlett St., Pittsburgh, Penna.	
101 Hamill, M/Sgt James L.	Hq. Co., 2nd Bn., 163rd Inf., APO 41, c/o P.M., S.F., Calif.	<u>WW 2</u>
31 Hertzberg, B.	554 Merritt Ave., Oakland 10, Calif.	<u>All wars</u>
30 Hertzberg, M.	736 Hillgirt Circle, Oakland, Calif.	<u>All wars</u>
1 Hunt, Milton B.	249 Old South Rd., Southport, Conn.	<u>WW 1,2, general</u>
181 Hurdis, Mrs. Everett	5960 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, Va.	<u>All censored,</u>
		<u>APO, Navy, patriotcis</u>
165 Hurlburt, Arthur K.	1100 Balfour Rd., Detroit 30, Mich.	<u>APO, V-Mail</u>
106 Jones, Mrs. S. W.	4325 Erie St., Madisonville, Cincinnati 27, Ohio	<u>WW 2</u>
29 Klinger, J. Paul	31 Hastings Ave., Ardmore, Pa., Upper Darby P. O.	<u>WW 1</u>
157 Landry, A. S.	54 Downing St., Concord, N. H.	<u>U.S. WW 2, Chinese censored</u>
136 Leach, Floyd S.	Noroton, Conn.	<u>All U. S. wars</u>
176 Leighton, Leroy G.	16926 Endora Rd., Cleveland 12, Ohio	<u>WW 2</u>
188 Lenzner, E. G.	Box 6513, Houston 5, Texas	<u>All wars, Foreign censored</u>
161 Logan, Wm.	Patterson, Calif.	<u>WW 2</u>
23 Mallette, Frank	907 Birch St., Atlantic, Iowa	
178 Martin, Florence L.	234 W. Adams St., Los Angeles 7, Calif.	<u>APO, Naval</u>
137 Martin, George M.	220 N. 35th Ave., Yakima, Wash.	<u>WW 1,2</u>
170 Mary, George A.	8025 215th St., Queens Village 8, L.I., N.Y.	<u>All, Fr. colonies</u>
89 Mathes, Roger A.	1597 Delia Ave., Akron 2, Ohio	<u>WW 2</u>
115 Mathys, Della	608 Belmont St., Grand Forks, N.D.	<u>WW 2</u>
66 McVicker, Affie	3976 Van Noord Ave., N. Hollyhood, Calif.	
81 Mikucki, Chester J.	1844 Winchester St., Chicago 22, Ill.	<u>Poland WW 1,2</u>

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185 Mitchell, Miss Myrtle	Winamac, Ind.	<u>APO, Camp, Censored foreign</u>	<u>WW 2</u>
6 Montgomery, Wm. H.	30 Pine St., N.Y. 5, N.Y.		<u>AEF</u>
56 Morgan, Major Ian C.	5477 Earnscliffe Ave., Montreal 29, Canada.	<u>Canada,</u>	<u>Canada,</u>
			<u>Brit. Emp.</u>
175 Morrison, Lt. Ray E., USNR.	1812 G St., Wash. 6, D.C.		<u>All Belgian</u>
118 Newcomer, J. Raymond	RFD 2, Lititz, Penna.	<u>APO, Naval, Censored</u>	
158 Nixon, Scott	SFC Bldg., Augusta, Ga.	<u>Civil, Sp. Am.,</u>	<u>WW 2</u>
4 Norona, Delf	315 7th St., Moundsville, West Va.		
25 Perry, Dr. A. E.	314 State St., Albany 6, N.Y.		<u>AEF, WW 2</u>
87 Pollack, E. I.	2015 S.W. 10th Ave., Portland 1, Ore.		<u>All wars, POW</u>
165 Powers, Simon P.	229 Bon View, R 3, Ontario, Calif.		<u>APO</u>
	Puls, E. E. 156 E. Frank St., Birmingham, Mich.		
168 Risser, Jonas E., D.C.	Box 352, Lancaster, Penna.		
2 Robinson, Rev. H. K.	79 South St., Oyster Bay, N.Y.		<u>WW 1,2</u>
186 Rosell, Frank	291 Myrtle Ave., Albany, N.Y.		<u>APO WW 2</u>
173 Rybarski, A. S.	2212 N. Mobile Ave., Chicago 39, Ill.		
44 Safarid, R. R.	71-47 Manse St., Forest Hills, L.I., N.Y.		<u>WW 1</u>
32 Sanford, Hennen M.	1268 French Ave., Lakewood 7, Ohio		<u>WW 1, General</u>
113 Seymour, W. Hall	427 N. Beverly Drive, Beverly Hills, Calif.		<u>WW 2</u>
114 Sickel, Arthur M.	317 Delaware St., Leavenworth, Kan.		<u>WW 2</u>
145 Smith, K. H.	3925 Muriel Ave., Cleveland, Ohio		<u>All military</u>
184 Smitheram, Pfc Wm. H.	Med. Det., SCU 1979, Baxter Gen. Hosp., Spokane, Wash.		
		<u>APO, Naval, All censored</u>	
45 Sperry, Pierrepont E.	Box 291, Sunbury, Penna.		<u>WW 2</u>
179 Storm, Harry O.	Clay City, Ind.		<u>APO WW 2</u>
72 Stringham, Orville L.	1403 Chenango St., RD 3, Binghamton, N.Y.	<u>All censored</u>	
177 Tripp, Almon J.	16533 Mendota Ave., Detroit 21, Mich.	<u>Army, Navy</u>	<u>WW 2</u>
154 Turner, George T.	37 King St., New York, N.Y.	<u>Phil. literature</u>	
171 Tuttle, Lt. Col. Lowell H.	Overseas. No address.		<u>APO</u>
180 Uhrig, Carl S.	26 Elizabeth St., Pittsfield, Mass.	<u>WW 2, APO, FPO,</u>	<u>POW</u>
32 Williams, Mrs. J. W.	1269 Clark Ave., Roanoke 16, Va.		<u>AEF</u>
167 Wilsdon, John F.	135 Hyde Park, Hamilton, Ont., Canada		<u>All wars</u>
173 Woodbury, Bruce E.	1526 Hudson St., Muskegon 8, Mich.		<u>APO</u>
143 Zieler, Cpl. Lawrence C.	3120 S. May St., Chicago, Ill.	<u>APO, Foreign censored</u>	
83 Zimmerman, George J.	657 42nd St., Des Moines 12, Iowa		<u>WW 2 commercial</u>

The list of members published in the September Bulletin contained a certain number of errors due to the fact that a revised list sent by the secretary to the editor went astray in the mail. We apologize to those members whose names were unintentionally excluded or included in that list. This month we publish a list that we hope is correct. Please report any further corrections to the secretary.

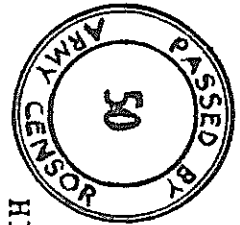
This is the last number of the Bulletin that can be sent to members who have not paid their dues.

The U. S. Army censor markings illustrated in this Bulletin were used in 1941 and early 1942. All are believed to be now obsolete. There are many more of these markings, especially of the unframed straight line type, that will be published later. Also to be published later are the temporary censor marks used in Alaska which appear to have been carved on the ends of corks.

We should like to hear from members who have any information on special war ballot covers and markings.

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 AMERICAN BASE FORCES
 CENSOR NUMBER 1

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 U. S. ARMY

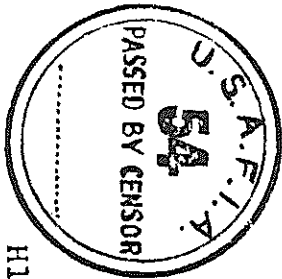
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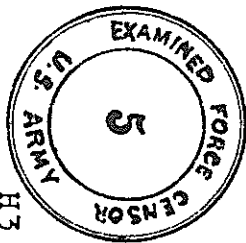
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 United States Army

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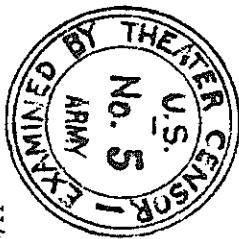


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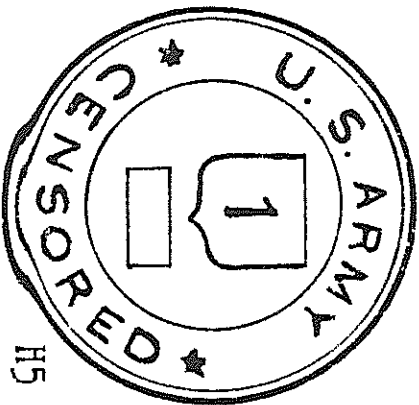
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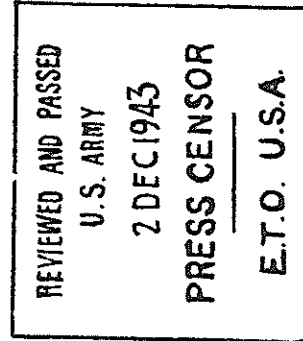
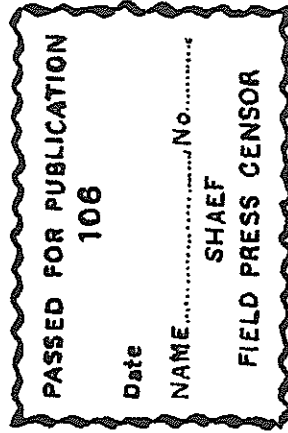
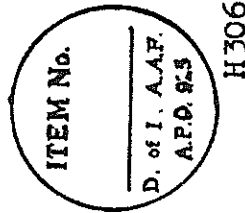
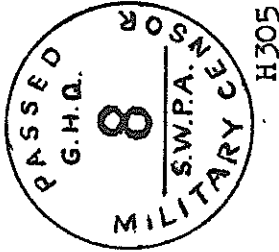
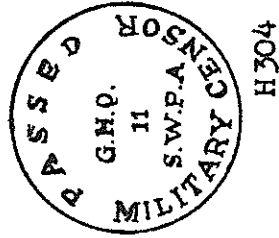
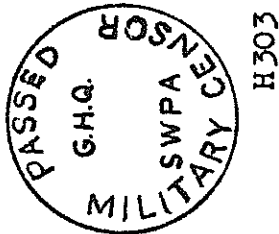
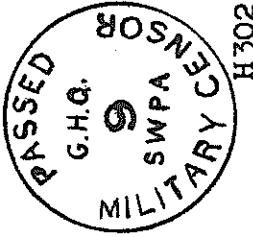


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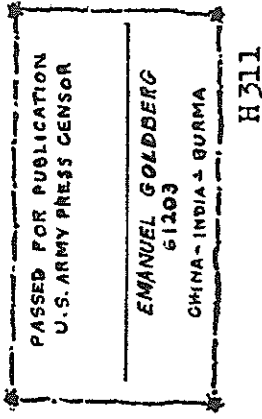
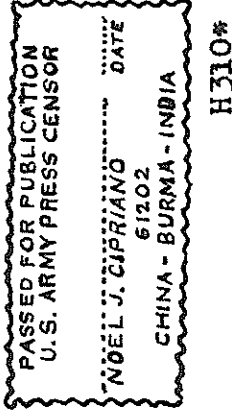
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U. S. Army Press Censor Markings



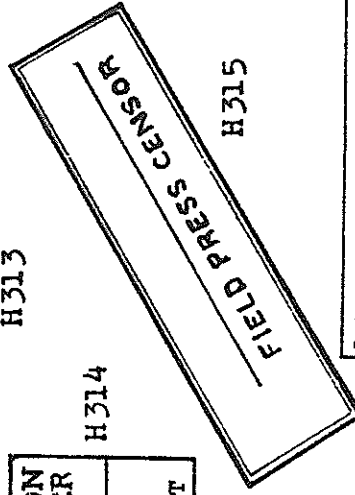
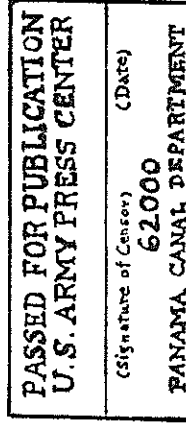
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PRESS CENSOR LIAISON OFFICER
CENSURA MILITARE H309

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*Note: Type H310 is found with various names and slight differences in size and detail.

Australian marking found on U. S. press censored mail.

