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Flight of Ideas

Modern civilization is going along so fast now that we can have a war in between issues of the Bulletin. How many have coverage on the recent Egyptian affair?

Good article on Canton Island, APO 914 in Feb. issue of COVERS. Also articles on CRIMEA WAR MARKS and UN in EGYPT.

USCS will keep you up on the latest DEW LINE ships: USCGS STORIS, WAG 38 is one and SS LYNN VICTORY, SL 1, Southport, N.C. is another.

Linn's Weekly of 1/21/57 has an article of a "Newspaper" from the SIEGE OF PARIS. Who has read other articles of interest to our group? Please drop your editor a line so we can let the rest know. Thanks.

JOHN M. PERKINS, 2147 Prospect Ave. E. Meadow, L.I. has a collection of WW I covers for sale. If in the city, call PE 5-0279.

John G. Hughes, Box 1689 C, Salinas, Cal., has Civil War letters for sale. Do you know of others that have WAR LETTERS for sale?

I want to thank all those who sent X-Mas cards. Was pleasantly surprised to receive a card from Gen. Sun Yup Paik, commanding General of the Korean Army.

How about helping out the Club by taking a dollar ad? Here are a few:

WANTED

WANTED

Covers from the recent Egyptian War * DEW Line covers * Mid-Canada Line Covers
Pine Tree Line
Tokyo Bay
Covers from the "Mystery Fleet" USS Forrestal, USS F D R and others from 11/7/56 to about 1/1/57. They were at Lisbon on 11/30/56. Send to Kevin P. Rogan, 2 William St. NAPANOCH, NY.

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U. S. NAVAL COVERS 1908-1928

COMMANDER H.F. ROMMEL, US NAVY , 41. RED CROSS AVE.

NEWPORT, R. I.

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CANADIAN AND SWEDISH FORCES OF THE UNITED NATIONS IN EGYPT

by Sol "Aerogramme" Whitman 1462 Taylor Ave, New York City 60, N.Y.

On December 26, 1956 I sent a United Air Letter Sheet to the Canadian Forces of the United Nations, Port Said, Egypt.

This sheet received the Egyptian Censor marking on the front of the sheet and there were other backstamps of routing, etc. as follows:

The Cairo Aerodrome cancel on the 29th, the Port Said cancel on the 31st, an Egyptian Army Post Office #21 and also the Canadian Army Post office in magenta as CAPO January 4th, 1957 #5049, large circle cancel. All markings are very clear and the sheet is now in my airletter collection.

The Swedish forces cancel was also on an Aerogramme having two 20 Ore Ski stamps attached. The cancel reads SVENSKA FN BATALJONEN, EGYPTEN, and dated January 10, 1957. There were no other transit markings on sheet.

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REINSTATED:

#357 Rev. A. Deimel, St. Joseph's Retreat, Dearborn, Michigan
Collects Dienst Post.

#343 Dmitry Kandaorow, 27 Rue Des Martyrs, PARIS ix e France.
Collects WW II and Red Cross.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS:

Commander H. F. Rommel, 41 Red Cross Ave., Newport, R.I.
Collects U.S. Navy

Richard M. Major, 7995th Army Unit, APO 407, New York.

FLIGHT OF IDEAS

Ralph Miller, (The Alaskan Specialist) 742 W. St. Paul Ave., Waukesha, Wis. suggests that the WCC form chapters in the larger cities of the U.S. such as the USCS does. These Chapters could be named after famous Generals. Now we need a few persons from different parts of the country to take two paces forward and give us a hand. For years I have been preaching this. We have to get new members in this club and have a set-up so that we continue to get new members. In the last few years we had quite a few losses to our Club due to death of members.

We need more articles on NAVAL covers. Who has some to offer. Ralph Miller is submitting an article on Navy Seabees to start the ball rolling. Is there any of our members that could act as a naval editor? We need a man to report on "shore stations" or on old and new Navy cancels, etc. Please drop me a line. Ralph Miller would work along with you on this, I know.

Dick Major, now in MUNICH, is going to submit a list of ships that served in Korea. He will be in Germany for about 2 years. If you have any German desires, perhaps he can help you out. His German address is MUNICH 9, Postfach 94. His APO address is 7995th Army Unit, APO 407, N.Y.

Milwaukee Journal of 4/21/56 has an article on the air drops of the 314th troop carrier wing and the 2nd aerial port operations squadron working on the DEW line projects. The dropped bulldozers from air (some went through the ice after the parachutes failed). They make mention of APO 1 and APO 2. This is something new as Ralph Miller reports in another part of this bulletin.

US Navy Seabees have completed building a base at the south pole. Who has covers from them?

According to a report, USS CALVERT (APA 32) commanded by Captain V. F. H. Hilles, USN, carried refugees on "Passage to Freedom" from August to November 1954, and a naval postmark of 11/29/54 with the special cachet is known.

The year just past has witnessed the re-use of Unit cancellations in Alaska and the withdrawing of such desirable items all in a twelve month period. The word is that one Air Force command delegated to national defense used "Unit cancels" 1 to 10 on mail.

The recent trend in collecting circles to ride the arctic and antarctic band wagon has had one and all comparing notes on cancellations secured. Expected cachets on covers mailed to the Far North on the 1956 Arctic Mission found more returning minus cachet, than with it. The admittedly "surprise cancel" from a vessel not ordinarily canceling mail, came about through covers serviced by the U.S. Coast Guard buoy tender, U. S. C. G. C. STORIS (WAG 38). The "sleeper" in the set, incidently, was the WASHBURN (AKA 108) which supplied sealing stations in the Pribilof Islands.

Readers desiring a memento in the near future from the Navy's latest fleet addition - radar picket ships - are advised that Kenneth D. Watson, Teleman First Class, USS SCANNER, (YAGR 5) FPO, S.F., the assistant Navy Mail clerk, will cheerfully service your covers. The extent of the tours at sea will delay delivery of mail (longest 40 days, shortest 5 days).

Word reaching the Editor would indicate that since the recent Far East emergency "alerts", covers mailed out to APO's have disappeared into thin air. While concern is voiced, the hope is expressed that the situation will return to normal soon.

Saw a cover recently from APO 19060 KWZ PM S.F. with marking as follows: Return to Sender/ Correct address will/ speed delivery/ For proper address/ write bureau of Naval/ Personnel, Washington, D.C. I wonder where this cover came from? Has anyone tried to run down these large APO numbers? Also how about location for BPO's of WW II?

Received a few PINE TREE covers recently. They were RCAF covers with Canadian postage and Canadian local cancels. I wonder if these cancels were issued specifically for these stations where US boys are at. The RA were as follows: 913th AC & W, Pagwa River, Ontario; Canada; 912th AC & W Squadron, Ramore, Ontario, Canada. Does anyone know the addresses of other Pine Tree outfits or Mid Canada outfits.

Thanks for the covers Department: Cippoli, R.A. Miller, Willinger.

I got a cover from the Chief Officer of H.M T EMPIRE FOWEY, one of the ships that was in on the Egyptian affair.

Got a letter from Cyprus. No censor marks.

Received a letter returned from Hungary. No unusual markings.

The Supt. of Documents, Gov. Printing Office, Washington 25, D.C. has a lot of WW II histories for sale. A late one is US Marine Operations in Korea, 1950-1953, Vol. 2, The Inchon-Seoul Operation. Catalog No. D 214.2: K 84/v.2 Cloth \$2.50.

Ches Knowlson, 17 W. 34th St., Reading, Pa. returned home from the hospital just in time for X-Mas. Hope he is feeling better. He had a long siege of it. He hopes to complete the report on SUBMARINE DELIVERIES and EVACUATIONS during WW 2. He also promises info on DEW LINE and DEEPFREEZE and NAVAL ARCTIC EVENTS WW 2. Incidently, he needs NAVY covers from the Arctic. He also needs APO's from the ARCTIC, CANADA, ALASKA, NEWFOUNDLAND, GREENLAND and ICELAND. A cool lot.

A.J. Tripp hopes to write an article on MATS and MSTs in the near future.

Bellard and LAVA report on the address of Andrejs Petrevics. It is 413 East 5th Street, Apt. 4, NYC 3, N.Y. He is the fellow that can decipher the European languages.

LAVA will have the book "The Mails Went Through" for \$4.00. This is the book on the NZ WW 2 covers mentioned in the last Bulletin.

Many new AAF numbers and cancel types showing up now, including 187-1, also many locations verified. Tentative info has APO 170 in Denmark; might be our only APO in that country.

Many of the Navy numbers have moved. #150, formerly Brazil, now via S.F. Branch 17041. BILL CIPOLLI wants info on 17033 (Navy 955) SF and 17034, Mobile Const. Bn, also SF. He needs APO 313, 341, 342 and 356 to finish the 300 series.

From STERLING TAYLOR received photographs of CARTER's book on WW I POW's. The original belongs to Hertzberg. Isadore Willinger is now in the process of checking it over for future items for the Bulletin. Sterling also sent me an album of his for a look-see of his German POW's in Jap camps WW I. He used Ehlerding's article in one of Billig's handbooks for reference. Very, very nice collection and nicely written up. Taylor has special pages printed up for his POW collection...barb wire forms the outline of the page.

Who has information on ICE CAP NEWS. Address..price..etc. Who has some extra copies to send me for reference.

Floyd Leach writes in that he has a cover from the HERERO War. It is a card from "OAKLAND..Sudwestafr 29/6 -06" It has a Berlin receiving stamp and is a feldpostcard.

Our Club is exchanging bulletins with the GERMAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY. Werner W. Ruthenberg, 556 S. Lansdowne Ave., Yeadon, Penna., is Editor.

In the January copy of COVERS they show a cover returned after mail communications were halted to Hungary during the revolt last November. Zuruck an Den Absender / Postverkehr Eingestellt (Returned to sender, Postal Communication Interrupted).

H.R. Harmer, Inc. recently auctioned off BYRON H. HANDY's collection of Confederate States covers. Nearly 1000 in all.

Word received from FORCES POSTAL HISTORY SOCIETY that Colonel Guy Crouch died recently. That is a great loss to all of us that specialize in war covers.

COVERS mag. of January has an article on "Berlin Fakes" by W. Glover (Phil Atlee), 50 Princes Road, Liverpool 8, England. He mentions the covers post-marked Berlin after the postoffices closed in April 1945.

ATOMIC AIRCRAFT CACHET..USS Intrepid, first atomic aircraft carrier, is to be commissioned, and a special cachet will be used on that date, sponsored by Farragut #3 USCS. Send no more than 5 prepared envelopes, self stamped and addressed for the cachet; 1 cent per cover forwarding fee for ship cancel. Joel Cohen, 83-35 139th St. Apt. 5B, Kew Gardens, L.I., New York.

WCC member E. H. Bellard has been elected Secretary of the newly formed Postal History Society of the Americas. The Global Cover Society has merged with them. Dues is \$5.00 per year.

The US are loaning Brazil two of our subs..the MUSKALLUNGE and PADDLE.

DEWLINE COVERS..The Arctic Operation or Dewline 1956 covers have all come in by now. There were 113 ships that took part on this trip carrying supplies and material for the Dewline chain of radar stations across the top of North America. There were US Navy ships, MSTs ships, Marytime, Coast Guard and one icebreaker from the Royal Canadian Navy. Who has a complete list of these ships? A few that Jagyi has listed is Ashland, Donner, Eldorado, Edisto, Gunston Hall, Burton Island, Lindenwald, White Marsh, San Marcos, Staten Island, Washburn, Golden Eagle, Clearwater County, Lt. Robert Craig, Lt. James E. Robinson, Maquoketa, Sagitta, Sgt. Morris E. Crain, Short Splice and Dalton Victory. Many of them carried a handstamped polar bear cachet, some with MSTs ARCTIC OPERATION. Carter Hall was another ship. Letters to ARCTIC BASES last summer got their mail as follows: From San Francisco through Anchorage, Alaska, or from New York through Goose Bay, Labrador, and Baffin Island. From these points in the Far North, Navy reconnaissance planes made the actual deliveries. Who has a cover from T-3, an ice island near the North Pole? DEW LINE address is as follows: Alert, NWT, Executive Officer, U.S. Weather Bureau, Arctic Operation Project, 24th and M Streets, NW, Washington 25, D.C. Stations other than "Alert" are Eureka, NWT; Mould Bay, NWT; Resolute Bay, NWT. DON'T FORGET CANADIAN STAMPS HAVE TO BE USED ON COVERS SENT TO YOU. If you send for some, put in an extra one for your Editor. Thanks.

Navy covers are coming in with rubber stamp reading, "THE/Importance/of the/ Navy/ is / Increasing."

A turn for the Nurse..An ailing author drew a ravishing beauty for a nurse. According to his own chart: "The nurse first held my pulse, then she advanced my pulse, finally she repulsed my advance."

Who has covers from the TEXAS TOWERS? These towers are 3 in number I believe. Men on the first tower belong to the 762nd Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron. I believe they spend half of their time out in the ocean on the tower and half the time on the shore of Massachusetts. Who has more info or covers from these?

Sterling Taylor reports that he has acquired a cover of the bloody FRENCH REVOLUTION, mailed from a woman of nobility in Bicetre Prison.

I have secured some old stampless French covers from about 1790 up to about 1830. Some tell about the troubled times, some are backstamped (censored??) with military postmarks, some are addressed to Citizen instead of Mr. as we do.

Nov. 23, 1956, the last British Commonwealth troops sailed from Japan, the closing of an 11 year era.

Commander H. F. Rommell has just been selected for promotion to Captain. He will shortly be transferred to Newport R.I., where he will serve on the Staff of the Naval War College.

"Postal Markings of the Allied Forces in Great Britain, 1940-1946" is the 11th volume of Billigs series of handbooks on cancellations. This 56 page book is \$2.50

HEIMKEHRER POST..Nothing very new as it is a relic of WW I. In 1919 special postcards were printed, "Sendung aus Feindesland Heimkehrter." meaning - mail returned from enemy countries. At that time transit camps were under Allied supervision, and each German POW returning to Germany from captivity had to spend about 2 days for a medical checkup before he could go home. These camps were called transit, or Durchgangslager. Many Germans were in poor health, so German people opened the returnee camps-Heimkehrercamps or practically hospitals. Prior to discharge the former soldiers were allowed to send mail free, marked Heimkehrerpost, rubber stamped or manuscript. Peter Rickenback..London, Dec. '56 Covers.

Egypt objected to the British Forces Military Letter Stamps which were used from 1932 to 1936. These military seals were attached to all mail to qualify for concession rates. Each seal was sold for 1 piastre by Army canteens and had full franking value on one letter. The system remained in force until 1936 when Egypt objected to the use of the seals and issued a special military stamp to replace them. Much controversy surrounded the status of the seals at the time, but it is now conceded that the seals took the place of actual stamps and as letters would not pass without the seals, they had the status of a regular army post issue. They are not rare and sought by specialists. COVERS, Nov. '56.

"Gott Strafe England" meant God punish England. Good article on these German WW I covers in the Nov. issue of COVERS.

WCC member Patka is working on a handbook of the Korean War. Will all the members please contact him that have any info that has not been in our Bulletin. Patka has quite a few very good handbooks to his credit.

Who has some information of the Israeli War of 1948? We should have an article written up on this war.

Why would 1937 Greek covers be censored?

AS A MATTER OF RECORD

By Ralph A. Miller (W.C.C. 358)

You can now add to the one thousand or more APO's a new entity; a still little known challenger (or usurper) to a familiar old title. From now on in the alphabetical connotation "APO" used as a RA on a cover, no longer need denote Army Post Office. It can authoratively mean "Aerial Port Operations."

A report from Frobisher Bay, NWT, by newspaper writer Leverett G. Richards, identified the Smyrna, Tenn. based 2nd APO who worked with the 314th Troop Carrier wing, as the specially trained air drop experts originally responsible for all drops of bulldozers, equipment and prefabricated buildings to remote arctic sites. He hailed them as the unsung heroes of the DEWLINE rush - and hush-hush-project of mid-March, 1955.

Thus postal history inadvertently has been given a new chapter in service history. All cover collectors should take note.

It may, incidently, be recorded here that another low number, - old APO 3 - as postally represented by the 3rd Inf. Div. years 1942-1946 left a historic trail across the length and breadth of Europe. But the numeral "3" association still has other, still unsolved questions, elsewhere.

Earlier in 1941, APO 3-P was assigned to the Med. Det., 201st Infantry at a temporary base hospital established at Fort Ray, Sitka, Alaska. A Postal Transportation Service "mail facing slip"; a registered mail letter to the APO, and copies of dated replies attest to this.

Other phantom "low numbers" which may have also been assigned hospitals or temporary field headquarters should be reported when so noted - to Almon J. Tripp, our W.C.C. historian without portfolio.

This article, and other contributions in this bulletin indeed prove that the study and compilation of United States service history is a task that is never finished. If you profess to be a bonafide postal history student, collector, and active member - share your knowledge, news and notes - for the greater edification of all.

NEW ZEALAND MILITARY POST OFFICES IN JAPAN.

R. P. Alexander, W.C.C. #369

~~N.Z.A.P.O. 222~~

IWAKUNI

Branches ~~2; 3, 4, 5 and 6.~~~~N.Z.A.P.O. 333~~

IWAKUNI

(Used by Royal New Zealand Air Force)

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The New Zealand forces in Korea/Japan used their own stamps as well as those of Great Britain and Australia, and sometimes used the stamps of New Zealand and Great Britain on the same covers.

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There were no United Nations APO numbers assigned to New Zealand, as the New Zealand postal arrangements were made independently. When North Korean forces crossed the border into South Korea in June 1950, New Zealand, as a signatory nation to the United Nations Charter, became involved in the United Nations action, and on 28 November a small advance party, including a postal officer and postal personnel, left Wellington. Letters to and from members of the Advance Party passed through the British Army Field Office 406 before the main body arrived at Pusan on 30 December 1950.

The first air mails from New Zealand were despatched from Wellington and Auckland on 12 December, reaching Korea on 15 December. This mail preceded the arrival of the main body, and it was necessary to make arrangements for the delivery of this mail and the receipt of later mails.

At this time, the Base Postal Unit of the Australian Occupation Force for Japan was established at KURE, with special offices at the IWAKUNI airhead, TOKYO and KOBE. Air-mail correspondence was flown from Australia to IWAKUNI, where the mails were sorted and then despatched to Korea by Royal Australian Air Force Courier plane. Surface mails arrived at either KURE or KOBE and were conveyed by rail or road to IWAKUNI. Because of the small size of the New Zealand Postal Section, it was decided that best results would be obtained by working in conjunction with the Australian Unit.

N.Z.A.P.O. 444, initially established in IWAKUNI was transferred on 24 September 1951 to KURE.

N.Z.F.P.O. 1 served Base personnel at Pusan from 1 January to 6 June 1951, when it was transferred to HIRO, Japan. When N.Z.A.P.O. 444 was transferred to Kure on 24 September, 1951, N.Z.F.P.O. 1 was closed and New Zealand Base H.Q. personnel was served directly from N.Z.A.P.O. 444. N.Z.F.P.O. 1 was re-opened on 1 April 1953 at H.Q. N.Z. Kayforce, Pusan, and was closed on 6 February 1954.

- N.Z.F.P.O. 2 - was attached to the 16th Field Regiment throughout the whole of the time of its service in Korea, and was closed when the Regiment returned to New Zealand on 7 November, 1954.
- N.Z.F.P.O. 3 - served the New Zealand Transport Platoon from 1 January to 14 October 1951. From 15 October it was attached to the 10th Company, R.N.Z.A.S.C.
- N.Z.F.P.O. 4 - was open from 15 October 1951 to 10 November 1954. It served New Zealand personnel operating with British units and was attached to British Army Post Office S 918 1 Com. Div.

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On 14 December, 1951, the C.O. Postal Section reported that mail received at N.Z.A.P.O. 444 at KURE was sorted as follows:

- Kure Area ---- N.Z. Base Camp: B.C.O.F. 29 General Hospital; 6 Con. Depot; B.C.O.F. Postal Unit and B.A.P.O. 3914 (for the few personnel attached to British and Australian Units).
- Seoul Area --- N.Z. Base H.Q. Sig. Tp.
- Pusan Area --- H.Q.N.Q. Kayforce including attached R.N.Z.A.S.C. and Ordnance Personnel.
- N.Z.F.P.O. 2 - 16 N.Z. Fd. Regt.; 16 N.Z. Fd. Regt. L.A.D.; G Troop 1 Com. Div. Sig. Regt. (N.Z. Component).
- N.Z.F.P.O. 3 - 10 Company R.N.Z.A.S.C.
- N.Z.F.P.O. 4 - 1 Com. Div. Sig. Regt. (N.Z. Component); H.Q. Div. Tpt. Pl.; N.Z. Base Engr. Constr. Sec.; 28 Fd. Engr. Regt. L.A.D.

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N.Z.A.P.O. 444 accompanied the New Zealand troops to Korea. As New Zealand Units were likely to be attached to the Forces of any nation, it was necessary to adopt a system to avoid the need of breaking down mail at Division or Brigade post office level. This was accomplished by combining the duties of the Regimental Postal Orderly with that of a small field post office. N.Z.F.P.O. 2 came into being for the provision of postal services for the 16th Field Regiment, Signal Troop and the Field Regiment L.A.D. N.Z.F.P.O. 3 was established for the Transport Platoon.

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Locations: ~~N.Z.F.P.O. 1 - Pusan, Korea. HIRO from 6 June 1951.~~
~~N.Z.F.P.O. 2 - Located for a time at YAMAGUCHI.~~
~~N.Z.F.P.O. 3 - Located for a time at CHOFU.~~
~~N.Z.F.P.O. 4 - Located for a time at MIZUBA.~~
~~N.Z.F.P.O. 5* - Located for a time at KIWA~~

* No other details available regarding this Field Post Office.

The NZAPO 444 cancellation is enclosed in a single circle 35 mm in diameter with NZAPO at the top, separated from the bottom by an arc on each side. The date, followed by an index number, is in the center. The Field Post Office date stamps are all similar in layout. NZAPO is in an arc at the top with 444 in a straight line, immediately below, FPO-1 in the lower portion bounded on each side by curved lines. The date and an index number are across the center. The diameter of the single circle surrounding Nos. 1, 2 and 3 is 34 mm, whereas that of No. 4 is 33½.

The New Zealand Forces used New Zealand Aerogrammes, New Zealand Letter Forms light, extra light and dark in color. When New Zealand supplies ran out, New Zealand Forces used Great Britain Forces letters, light, dark, and plain, the latter a Forces' letter with wording completely omitted.

SOURCES: Mr. C. A. McFarlane, Director General, General Post Office, Wellington C.A., New Zealand.
 "THE POSTAGE STAMPS OF NEW ZEALAND", Vol.III, Chapter XXX, page 415.
 The Bulletins of the War Cover Club.

The Sec.-Treas. reports that we have 91 members in good standing, and a balance in our treasury of \$75.68.

The Sec. gets many letters of inquiry from members during the year. Here are answers to most of them:

A.P.O. location books can be purchased from the Sec. at \$1.50 to members and \$1.75 to non-members. A.P.O. type charts 35¢ each. Rubber stamps with the club seal are not available at this time, however, the Sec. will try and have a few extra ones made for use of members.

Kevin Rogan has a few sets of bulletins for sale at \$4.00 plus postage. There are no sets of the older small size bulletins on hand.

Has anyone heard from Jesse Burgess Thomas. The Sec. has been trying to locate Mr. Thomas for a long time.

Would appreciate assistance in recruiting new members. The Sec. has a supply of application blanks and will gladly mail them out upon request.

Re. new additional data on A.P.O. locations and dates from 1947 to 1953, to supplement Tripp's location book of W.W. 2.:

Alvin Tripp has all the data on hand and ready to place in print, either in our bulletins or in a separate book. This will be done sometime in the near future.

Results of the recent auction sale: 15 members sent in bids for 34 items. All successful lots were sold as follows:

Lot #2 - \$2.10, #3 - 3.10, #5 - 1.40, #8 - 1.10, #9 - 1.10, #11 - 1.50, #12 - 60¢, #14 - 1.50, #16 - 1.00, #19 - 1.40, #22 - 1.05, #24 - 1.25, #25 - 1.00, #31 - 50¢, #32 - 2.60, #34 - 1.35, #35 - 1.60, #37 - 2.50, #38 - 75¢, #41 - 1.00, #42 - 75¢, #43 - 1.00, #44 - 1.25, #45 - 1.25, #46 - 75¢, #48 - 2.00, #49 - 1.25, #52 - 2.75, #55 - 75¢.

VIA N.Y. - P.O.E.

The APO postal division at the New York Port of Embarkation handles all military mail, including U.S. Navy correspondence, for Europe, North Africa, Saudi Arabia, Palestine, Iran, Turkey, South America, Newfoundland, Greenland and Iceland. The personnel roster consists of 47 military employees and 1501 Federal postal employees whose work is divided into three shifts. APO mail is carried by the Military Air Transport Service (MATS), commercial airlines, military and commercial surface carriers. A check of the record for the year of 1953 disclosed that 205,810 sacks of parcel post and newspapers and 20,937,000 pieces of first-class and airmail were processed by the staff. An important feature of the postal center is its locator files which are used to check on misaddressed letters. During the holiday rush, the staff is augmented by extra part-time workers who help speed the flow of holiday mail. From STARS and STRIPES.

-- NOW YOU KNOW -- ITS CONFIDENTIAL --

A letter of inquiry to the editor of S & S, evidently by a GI in Europe, "Do I understand correctly that disclosure of the name of the city which has an APO is confidential? I called to ask for the APO of Garmish, so that I could ask for reservations. I was told that such information is confidential and could not be given over the phone. I later noted that the Garmish APO is on all Garmish advertisements.

EDITORS NOTE: The geographical location of an individual APO is not classified information. However, a list of APO's together with geographical locations is classified confidential in accordance with paragraphs 29a (6) and 60 AR 380-5. From S&S Mar. 1955.

MILITARY AIR TRANSPORT SERVICE

Late in 1956, the MATS announced its planes have made more than 100,000 ocean crossings since it began operating as the Defense Department's passenger and freight service in 1948.

In that period it has hauled more than four million passengers and carried more than 700,000 tons of freight and mail.

The figures do not include many other flights MATS have made, particularly those during the Berlin airlift, when the Western Powers sustained the communist-blockaded city for months.

MATS transport planes operate over some 115,000 miles of airways throughout the world.

Stars and Stripes, 9 Oct. '56.

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780 abcdefg	Jtalien	1943
785 abcd	Frankreich	1942-43
789 abc	Russland (Sud)	Aug 42
	Skandinavien	Okt 42
796 abc	Rumanien	1944
798 abc	Frankreich	1944
804 abc	Frankreich	1941
805 abcde	Afrika	1942
806 a	Russland (Mitte)	1943
809 abcdefgh	Jtalien (Rom)	1941-44
812 abcde	Frankreich	1942
814 a	Russland (Nord)	1943
817 abcdefg	Russland (Sud)	1942-43
818 abcde	Frankreich	1942
	Jtalien	1944
819 abcde	West-Dtschld.	1939
822 abcdefgh	Jtalien	1944
827 a	Frankreich	1944
828 abc	Polen	Spt 39
838 abcdefg	Finnland	1942-44
840 abcdef	Balkan	1942-44
842 abc	Balkan	1942
843 abcde	Frankreich (Paris)	1941-48
844 efgh	Jtalien (Mailand)	Dez 41 - 1944
847 abc	Balkan	1944
848 a	Frankreich	1943
849 abcdef	Jtalien (Turin)	1941-44
852 g	Balkan	1944
862 abc i	Jtalien (La Specia)	1943-44
864 abc	Russland (Sud)	1944
865 Ma	Frankreich	1943-44
870 abcde	Russland (Sud)	1943
871 abc	Dtschld. (Gr. Born)	Dez 21- Fbr 42
	Russland (Nord)	Mrz 42 - Okt 44
	Kurland	Nov 44 - Mai 45
875 abc al	Russland (Mitte)	1941-44
878 abc	Gen.-Gouvern.	1944
880 abc	Russland (Sud)	1942
889 abc	Russland (Sud)	1942
894 abcd	Belgien	1944
897 abcdefg	Russland (Sud)	1942
899 abcd	Holland	1944-45
901 abc	Frankreich	1944
904 abc	Russland (Nord)	1943
906 a	Balkan	1944
912 g k l	Jtalien	1944
913 abcde	Gen.-Gouvern.	1944-45
917 abcdef cl	Jtalien	1944
926 abc	Frankreich	1944
929 abc	Balkan	Apr 42
	Russland (Sud)	Mai 42
930 abcde	Russland (Nord)	1943-44

931 abcde	Gen.-Gouvern.	1942-43
934 abed	Belgien	1944
939 abcdef	Frankreich	1943
944 abc	Frankreich	1944
947 abcdefg	Balkan	1941-44
948 abc	Frankreich	1941-44
949 abc	Kroatien	1944
951 abcdefg	Russland	1944
957 a Fa	Frankreich	1943
962 abcdefg	Belgien	1943
967 a	Albanien (Scutari)	1943-44
970 abcdefgh	Polen	Spt 39
972 abcde	Tr. Ub. Pl. Debica	Jul 42
	Frankreic	1944
973 abc	Balkan	1944
978 abcde	West-Dtschld.	1945
990 abc	Russland	1941 - Okt 42
	Dtschld. (Offenbach)	Okt 42 - Mai 43
	Balkan (Belgrad)	Mai - Dez 43
	Italien (Verona)	1944
993 abc	West-Dtschld.	1945
996 abcdef	Norwegen (Bergen)	1940