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Flight of Ideas

Nicaragua and Guatemala in late November asked the U.S. for help in suppressing rebellions a la Castor. We sent Carrier "Shangri La" and destroyers "Fiske", "Hawkins", "Fox" and the "Rush". Destroyer "K.D.Bailey" from Destroyer Div. 82, Navy Squadron 10 which carries 2000 Marines in its assault - helicopter Carrier "Boxer" were also in the Caribbean. I got mail from all except Fox, Hawkins and Rush.

In the Jan. 21st issue of "Stamps" appeared a very fine article, the title "A U.S. Marine Postal Clerk in Lebanon" by member Stanley C. Jersey. Illustrated was a cover mailed from Beirut, Lebanon cancelled U.S. Navy 12868, Unit 6, also a picture of a railroad box car being used by the Marines as a Post Office. The editor of "Stamps" has been very good to our group, giving us lots of publicity, for which we are grateful.

Washoe Indian War - May and June 1860. The Pony Express Stations in Nevada were burned at a cost of \$75,000.

Mounting Collections - I need ideas on mounting my collection. Should V-Mail go in one album, Marine covers in another, Sea Bees in another or should they be mounted under the Country they came from? Should WW-II APO's be mounted according to number, ie, APO 1-2-3-4 etc. or should they be put under Countries, ie all the Alaska, all Hawaii in another, etc.

Civil War Confederate Military Telegraph - I recently obtained a pair of telegrams between Ala. and Tenn. and return. Did civilians have use of this "U.S. Military Telegraph system?

Who has the locations of WW-II USA BPO's (Branch Post Office) and PRS (postal regulating station) numbers? Or are they still under security? If so I suppose we will have to turn to our British friends for the answer.

Wish to record APO 230 Unit 1 dated 4/27/45 and APO 887 Unit 2, 9/12/45.

Were APO Registry hand stamps used much for cancelling the front of covers during WW-II? I note one from APO 469, 2/12/45.

I have a cover with return address, APO 44 1/2 P.M. New York 35, N.Y. Why was the 35 put in? What part of N.Y.V. is that? Another cover from APO 887, PM 11 BPO, not censored, R.A. Navy Cmdr. % OFLC, APO 887. What is OFLC.

Who has locations of U.S. Camps in France used after the war ended, for holding men ready to ship home, i.e. Camp Pittsburg, Camp New York, Camp San Francisco, Camp Brooklyn, Camp Oklahoma City, Camp Philip Morris, etc. Mostly in low 800's.

What is the latest date you have with "Free" for WW-II. Latest for Korean War.

I started a Question and Answer column in recent bulletins. I supplied many questions but no members came up with any answers of their own- so will drop it. However if any member has an unusual cover which puzzles him and wishes to find out the answer, I will be glad to write it up.

Late Navy number 17055--Japan (1960). Also No. 317 -- Japan.

A member would like to get locations of German Army covers. They have large numbers in a cancel on front of cover, usually put in lower left corner. Numbers such as 17954, 14725, 02320, etc. Please contact K. Rogan, 65 Hooker Ave., Poughkeepsie, NY

Wanted to Buy or Exchange	
Civil War Naval Covers	Naval Postmarks, 1908-1922
Capt. H.F. Rommell, U.S.N.	
U.S.S. Amphion (AR-13)	c/o FPO, New York, N.Y.

O.N.U.C. NOTES

by
Betty V. Miller

Irish Contingent

There are two battalions presently serving with the Irish Contingent in the Congo. These are the 32nd and the 33rd Infantry Battalions. The 33rd Battalion arrived in the Congo on the 15th and 16th of August 1960. According to Lt. Col. Buckley, commander of the 32nd, this battalion, the 32nd is due to leave the Congo on Jan. 13th and 14th, 1961. The 34th Battalion is due to arrive in the Congo on Jan. 12th and 13th.

I have received several more covers from this contingent, including a cover franked with the Congo Independence stamps overprinted L'ETAT DU KATANGA, postmarked Elizabethville. This cover and the letter enclosed came from Private Joseph Fitzpatrick, one of the two survivors of the Irish patrol (33rd Bn.) that was ambushed in Katanga Province.

Canadian Contingent

From this contingent I have received a Forces Air Letter, franked with the Congo overprints, and the Elizabethville C.D.S. dated 24. 10. 60. My friend informed me that there is only one Postoffice for the Canadians in the Congo, C.A.P.O. 5046. This CAPO is located at Leopoldville, and mail distribution is by air operations.

I received a Christmas Card from the 57 Canadian Signals Unit, the back ground is white, in the center is the Canadian badge, across the top in black is 57 Canadian Signals Unit, and at the bottom Organisation Des Unies and underneath Congo. The cover that brought this card is cancelled with the ONUC handstamp, and is dated December 5, 1960.

Malayan Contingent

Lt. Col. B. Nazarudin is Commander of this contingent. This gentleman told me that he arrived in the Congo on October 13, 1960, that the advance party arrived a month before this date and the main body was due on about October 23, 1960.

I have received three covers from this Battalion, all of them postmarked at Leopoldville and two of them received the box type cachet in purple reading "Malayan Special Force".

This Contingent also had their own Christmas card. The background is white and from the upper right hand corner to the lower left are two diagonal lines in blue. In the upper right hand corner is the badge of The United Nations in blue and underneath the letters O N U. In the lower left corner is the badge of Malaya.

Indian Contingent

The Indian Postal Unit opened F.P.O. 660 at Leopoldville on October 10, 1960 and expect in the near future to open a second FPO at Kamina. I received a ONUC cover from the Postmaster, franked with Indian stamps and cancelled F.P.O. 660, 26.11.60.

The center piece of the official Indian Postal Unit Christmas card this year is a copy of a cover sent to the Director, Army Postal Service on the opening day of FPO 660. I was most fortunate in obtaining two of these cards, one to be included in my ONUC collection and the other in the UNEF collection, the latter being sent me by the UNEF Postmaster.

From the Indian Air Force Detachment I received an ONUC greeting card. The background of this card is kakhi, with large ONUC letters in orange and the flag of the United Nations in blue and white. At the bottom of the card it reads "VOEUX DU CONGO - Greetings from the Congo", this is in white. The cover is franked with Congo stamps and the c.d.s. reads Leopoldville, 11.12.1960.

United Arab Republic Contingent

This is one of the contingents that I've had trouble getting through to, I wrote several letters but to no avail. Finally I decided that I would write to Prime Minister Nasser and explained to him what I was trying to do, and asked his help. A couple of weeks later I got a reply. The cover was franked with U.A.R. stamps and

postmarked "Presidence de La Republique" "Secritariat Prive El Gezira", inside was a note giving me the name of the commanding officer of the battalion. I wrote to the U.A.R. commander Major Saad El-Shazil at Leopoldville and in December received a reply. The cover is a ONUC airmail cover, with the ONUC corner card and underneath R.A.U. contingent. It is franked with Congo stamps and the c.d.s. reads GEMINA A 4.12.60. The circular cachet is in purple, across the top ONUC, in the center the UN emblem and at the bottom RAU Cont.

Pakistan Contingent

I received a hand-made greeting card from this contingent. The card arrived in a ONUC cover, the stamps had been removed and the cancellation was that of the U.N., N.Y.

UNTSO Military Observers

Burma

ONUC greetings card, franked with Congo stamps and cancelled Leopoldville 12.12.60.

New Zealand

ONUC greetings card, c.d.s. Leopoldville, 12.20.60 on Congo Independence stamps.

Australian Red Cross Unit

The Australian Red Cross Team is located at Luluabourg. My friend, it appears, did not exactly trust the Congo Postal Service, and his letter was sent under cover to Switzerland and received the Geneva meter cancellation dated 24.X1.60.

ONUC Supreme Commander

Effective January 1, 1961, Maj. Gen. Sean McKeown of Ireland will head the United Nations Forces in the Congo, replacing Maj. Gen. Carl Von Horn of Sweden.

Member George Hammerschmidt sent in additional information of "Gott Strafe England" type covers mentioned in previous bulletins. Will quote from his letter:

In many cases the various types of slogans were placed on covers and cards with the military unit's own special handstamp. In addition to the "God Punish England" phrase, these included the following:

- (1) "God punish the faithless Italians",
- (2) "God protect Germany"
- (3) "Italy - this sword for you",
- (4) "Germans; Never forget weapons supplied from America, baseness of the English shopkeeping nation, and the treachery of the Italians".

The origin of many of these cliches originated from the Austrian Forces and accounts to some extent for the many insults to the Italians. They were prepared on cards having photos of the Kaiser, The German Eagle, or Generals such as Ludendorf, and many others.

Wanted

Mail from the Congo and Laos. Will buy or trade. Need Military mail from Confederates, WW-II Marine Mail, Sea Bees Mail, Alaska APO's. Need interesting letters of any War. K. P. Rogan, 65 Hooker Ave. Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

For Sale or Trade

Have number 10 size envelopes with registered mail markings from Naval Construction Battalions. Price 25¢ each or will trade for other Seabee material I need. - James Russell, 2209 Brighton St., Phila. 49, Pa.

WANTED - World War II APO No. 418, covers from French Guinea.
John M. McGarry, 189 Ashuelot St. Dalton, Mass.

Secretary's Report

The next big Stamp show in New York City will be The Interpex Stamp Exhibition, to be held at the Trade Show Bldg., 35th St. & 8th Ave., N.Y.C. from March 17 to 19, 1961. This show promises to be greater and more distinctive philatelically than any of the previous ones. Members of the W.C.C. will hold a meeting at the show in a room specially set aside for that purpose on Saturday, March 18th. Last year our club had a very interesting meeting at Interpex, Stanley Jersey was guest speaker and this year we promise you an equally interesting meeting.

Member Donald O. Schultz joined our group about three months ago and wrote in for advise as to how he could obtain autographs of famous people. Sec. I.W. gave him the necessary information and have just heard from Mr. Shultz that he made up his own cachet on 30 covers which he mailed out. Only six of the 30 were returned without signatures. Of the balance he received autographs, signed by Jack Kennedy, Chiang Kai Chek, Gen. Douglas McArthur, Harry Truman, Lynden Johnson, Vice Pres. Nixon, Gov. Nelson of Wisconsin, Sgt. Alvin York (WW-I fame) and P.M.Gen. Arthur Sommerfield. This shows what initiative and ingenuity will do.

Rev. H.K. Robinson has a Schaubek Illustrated album for sale. This album is probably about 50 years old but is in very good condition. There are a few old stamps in the album, from Bavaria, Baden and other German States. The price is \$10.00 plus postage, a good buy. Any member interested, write to the Rev. at 38 Rider Ave., Patchogue, N. Y.

Miss Betty V. Miller has again sent in an article of Congo news. She writes as follows; "I'm sending along a few notes of the Congo. It's kind of difficult to dig out information, if one mentions postmarks or stamps, then my letter usually winds up in the wastebasket. However, I keep trying, figuring that eventually somebody will get tired of dumping my letter and will take time out to answer. You'll note that I mentioned in the article about writing to Nasser, well lo and behold if I didn't get an official U.A.R. Christmas card from the President himself. The center piece reads "President Gamel Abdel Nasser extends his best wishes for Christmas and New Year." Perhaps you have seen my articles that have been running in The Holy Land Philatelist for the past few months, on the UNEF, of course".

Have been corresponding with member H.L. Lewis, the Cuban specialist who lived in Cuba 24 years and has a considerable fund of information not only of Military Station covers but on the political and social conditions in Cuba at the time of the Spanish American War. Mr. Hill can answer any question pertaining to covers used during that period, or the times they were used.

I have in my collection a picture post card, which shows a full size picture of the U.S.S. Recruit. This ship resembles a U.S. Battleship in every detail, with smoke stacks, bristling cannon, port holes and other features, so that it looks like a real warship. I recall seeing this ship which was used for recruiting purposes during 1917 and it was located on 14th St. between Broadway and 4th Ave., N.Y.C. It was an impressive sight and attracted large crowds and a Navy band would play popular music. This happened 43 years ago and the picture is still etched in my mind.

Member Philip Baker who is in the U.S. Regular Army Reserve has recently been promoted to the rank of Captain.

James Russell sent in a few more additions to the list of Army & Air Force cancels: 10 H, 99 M, 123 H, 143 M, 231 H, 254 M, 283 H, 291 M, 350 H, 378 H & 716 H. Mr. Russell also mentions that when he compiled the list of APO's in Korea he listed 963 as being used as a mailing address only. Recently member Harry Weymer picked up one cancelled April 25, 1953. So this proves Russell was in error with this one item. Members, please check your Korean APO's for 963, especially look at the dates. Russell would like to know when it was established in Korea. James Russell's address is 2209 Brighton St., Phila. 49, Pa.

Howard Busher, 44 Elton St., Torrington, Conn. has quite a few duplicate APO covers of WW-II on hand. He wishes to trade for ones which he needs. Any member interested, write to Mr. Busher at the above address.

New Members

- Member No. 457 - Miss Jeanne Bettencourt, 180 Brackney Rd. (Rt. 1), Pen Lomond, Cal. Antarctic, Crash, Patriotic, Experimental, Military, Errors, oddities on stamps.
- Member No. 458 - Augustus Hendelman, 2343 East 70th Place, Chicago 40, Ill. Civil War, Spanish American War & WW-I.
- Member No. 459 - Edward C. Hopps, 2246 Medill Ave., Chicago 47, Ill. Used mail of World, A to Z., also Military covers of all Wars.
- Member No. 460 - Robert J. Schwerdt, 9 Memory Lane, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Zoology; Censor marks, cancels, submarines, Cachets and stamps.
- Member No. 461 - Irving Shapiro, 829 Quincy St. N.W., Washington 11, D. C. WW-II, Postal History, Censored, P.W. - All Wars and Countries.
- Member No. 462 - Howard J. Selzer, 5035C W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago 44, Ill. Forces Mail from Malaya.
- Member No. 463 - Dr. Melvin Kahn, 2207 Washington Ave., Silver Spring, Md. Civilian and Military Censors, all Wars.
- Member No. 464 - Mrs. Enid Betar, 1830 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago 14, Ill. Eisenhower and Lincoln stamps and covers.

Change of Address

- Member No. 296 - Rowland P. Gill, 3711 Third St. South, Arlington 4, Va. All U.S. Wars, Br. Empire, Latin America & Philippines.
- Member No. 429 - L. M. Sjöholm, % Stockholm's Enskilda Bank, Stockholm, Sweden P.O.W. and Ambulance Post Covers of all Wars.
- Member No. 435 - George Hammerschmidt, 155 Hanna St. East, Windsor, Ont., Canada Modern Germany - 1900-1950. Canada.
- Member No. 384 - G. J. Raymond, 5718 Wigton Drive, Houston 35, Texas Postal History & Postmarks including Military Markings of Arctic & Antarctic, Unef, Bdir & I.G.Y. Stations. (Wanted Bahamas APO's 808, 618 Navy Covers.)

Correction - New Member's Name misspelled in the December Bulletin

- Member No. 445 - Donald O. Schultz, 1225 Marquette, Appleton, Wisc.
All U.S. Historical War Covers & Autographed Covers of Famous People.

The U.S. Marine Corps Museum at Quantico, Va. would like to complete the War Cover Project dealing with envelopes mailed from members of the Marine Corps during WW-II. Actually what is required is a cover mailed from Wake Island in 1941, by a member of the Marine detachment; covers from the campaigns - Guam, Saipan, Okinawa, etc. The material should be of good quality condition, as it will be a permanent part of the museum.

Members of the WCC if they wish, could assist in this project. By doing so, you will contribute towards the success of the project. Kindly send the donation covers to Mr. S.C. Jersey, 631 Kenilworth Ave., Oak Park, Ill. for screening or direct to The Director, The Marine Museum, MCB, Quantico, Va. Material that is accepted will receive an acknowledgement from the Museum and covers that are not used will be returned to the donors.

Japanese Soldier Mail of Russo-Japanese War, \$1.00 each
" " " of World War II, 40¢ each.
Philatelic matter translated, send for list, Unusual Japan Material
Harry Weymer 5243 Pine St. Phila 43, Pa.

<u>For Sale</u>		
U.S. APO's - Your pick - 10¢ per cover, - Let me send you a few hundred different - Better price on larger sales.		
K. P. Rogan	65 Hooker Ave.	Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

For Sale - World War II Censored covers, priced 5 for 25¢ postpaid, have a very large stock on hand. L. E. Madole, 716 Sandra Ave., West Islip, N. Y.

U.S. Loran Stations of World War II

During World War II a desperate need arose for a new system of communication from installations on shore to ships and planes at sea, the purpose being to chart information to them of their location. With their regular instruments, during bad weather conditions a ship or a plane frequently had trouble getting their bearings.

Therefore during the early part of 1942, a great deal of experimenting was done by the army and navy together with scientists of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in the laboratories and at ships at sea. Later, when the system was developed to the point where it performed perfectly, the Navy took over and was responsible for future developments.

Loran, its name compounded of the initial letters of the words - Long Range Navigation, is a system whereby a vessel with suitable equipment, comparatively simple to operate, and with special charts may determine its position even when hundreds of miles from shore. This new electronics development is a method of navigation having a long effective range. Loran uses a wave length similar to those used for long range radio communications at night, and can be used reliably as far as approximately 800 miles from the transmitting station in the daytime and 1400 miles at night.

The Coast Guard's Construction Detachments were responsible for the establishment of Loran Stations wherever needed. As the war progressed, these stations were built, first in the North Atlantic area and later in the Pacific. These chains of Loran stations demonstrated the practicability of Loran as an aid to both surface and air navigation and particularly its military value. Especially were the Loran Stations helpful and provided much needed assistance to navigators in areas where celestial navigation was frequently impossible, for instance the Bering Sea area was one where normally there were prolonged periods of bad weather which hampered navigation, so that this new method was of tremendous help.

Most of the Loran Stations were constructed on lonely, isolated islands, a good distance from civilization and they usually had a small complement of men, in charge of one officer. The problem of supply for the men was especially difficult, but the Coast Guard had planned well. Where the welfare of those men was concerned, not one single item was overlooked, even to the delivery of mail as well as taking care of outgoing mail.

Covers from Loran Stations can be identified only by the return address. A cover in my collection has the following R.A.: J.E. Harold, Jr. RT3C, C.G. Unit 84, Fleet P.O. San Francisco, Cal. The lowest Loran Station Unit No. used was Unit No. 5, located at St. Matthews, in the Bering Sea and the highest number used was Unit No. 504 at Okinawa. Other covers from Construction detachments had a R.A. reading ConDet A (Unit 26) as an example. The postmark was usually the regular U.S. Navy handstamped cancel seen on most of the Navy covers during WW-II. The C.G. Unit 84 cover mentioned was located on Makin Island, Gilbert and Ellice Group.

In conclusion it can be said that the hundreds of millions of dollars spent by the U.S. government for the Loran Project were well spent, because it meant the saving of many lives as well as the saving of ships and planes which might have been lost.

The above article was contributed by Stanley Jersey, copied from a book called "The Coast Guard at War", Loran IV Volume 11, prepared in the Historical Section, Public Information Division, U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, August 1, 1946.

Battle of the Bulge, December 16, 1944 to January 23, 1945.
Kevin P. Rogan

In doing research on my "Bulge" covers I made up the following list of all known units taking part in this battle, their A.P.O. #, and date they went into battle.

Outfit	APO #	Dates into Action
British 6th A/B Div. ....	-----	..... 1/3
British 51st Highland Div. ....	-----	..... 12/24 or later
9th Canadian Forestry Co. ....	-----	..... 12/20 left Bastogne
British XXX Corps .....	-----	.....
US 17th AB Div.*	452	..... 1/4
82nd AB Div.	469	..... 12/20
101st AB Div.	472	..... Into Bastogne 12/19
2nd Armored Div.	252	..... 12/23
3rd Armored Div.*	253	..... 12/20
4th " "*	254	..... 12/22
6th " "	256	..... 12/31 South of Bastogne
7th " "*	257	..... 12/17
9th " "	259	..... 12/15
10th " "*	260	..... 12/17
11th " "	261	..... 12/30
14th Cavalry Group .....		..... 900 men - 12/15 (with 2nd Div.)
1st Division	1	..... 12/17
2nd "	2	..... 12/15
4th "*	4	..... 12/15
5th "	5	..... 1/17 or earlier
9th "*	9	..... 12/18
26th "*	26	..... 12/22
28th "*	28	..... 12/15
30th "	30	..... 12/18
35th "	35	..... 12/30
75th "	451	..... 12/23
80th "*	80	..... 12/22
83rd "*	83	..... 1/3
84th "	84	..... 12/23
87th "	448	..... 12/30
90th "	90	..... 1/8
99th "*	449	..... 12/15
106th "	443	..... 12/15
VIIIth Corps	308	..... 12/15
V th Corps	305	.....
IX Tactical Air Command	595	..... 12/18 "Cator"-Comb. Air Trans. Oper. /Room.
1st Army	230	..... 12/15
XVIII AB Corps	109	..... 12/22 or earlier
VII Corps	307	..... 12/21 - ?
9th Air Force*	696	..... 12/22
111 Corps	303	..... 12/22
21st Army Group*		
XII Army Group	655	..... 1/8 or earlier
111 Army*	403	.....
XX Corps*	340	.....

I have covers from outfits that are checked with a star. If you have any others for sale or trade, please let me know. If you have more info. to add to this, drop me a line.

Prices Realized - January 15 Auction

1.	\$2.50	11.	\$.80	21.	\$1.90	32.	\$2.60	41.	\$.40
2.	.70	12.	.50	22.	2.50	33.	.50	42.	.40
3.	7.35	13.	.25	23.	2.50	34.	.30	43.	1.10
4.	2.50	14.	.60	24.	1.80	35.	1.00	45.	.30
5.	1.25	15.	.55	25.	1.75	36.	.90	46.	1.25
6.	6.25	16.	.55	26.	1.50	37.	.35	47.	2.10
7.	9.00	17.	.80	27.	1.25	38.	.80	48.	1.70
8.	1.50	18.	2.00	28.	.25	39.	2.60	49.	.25
9.	3.75	19.	6.50	29.	1.10	40.	.60	51.	2.50
10.	3.50	20.	2.60	30.	1.40			52.	2.60
								53.	1.25

The response to the January auction was very good with 33 bidders submitting some 200 bids on the 54 lots in the auction. The bidding generally was high on the unusual items and the most popular lots were the General Foullois covers, the Siberian covers, the World War I Navals and, of course, the P.O.W. covers. No bids were received on Lots 31, 44 and 50. The auction manager will hold these lots for two weeks in the event that anyone is interested in obtaining any of these items for 25¢ plus postage.

The auction manager would greatly appreciate the use of commemorative stamps on the mail sent to him.

Notes: Due to the many requests by collectors, the Postmaster, Eglin Air Force Base, Florida, has obtained several cachets to be used on covers sent to him. These cachets are applied on the date of a new test rocket or missile is launched and cancelled on that date. The cachets are attractive and usually an insert is made in the cover describing the particular missile. Send a few covers to the Postmaster with a request for this service.

The Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C. has available for 15¢ a list of the U.S. Army installations and major activities in the Continental U.S. showing the Post Office address of each installation or activity. The order number for this pamphlet is "Cat. No. D101.22:20 - 1/13."

James Russell is working on a check list of all Seabee's numbers, locations and dates so that this list will be about as complete as possible. Members who have Seabee Battalion covers in their collections are asked to please check all T2 #cancels and report them to Mr. Russell at 2209 Brighton St., Phila. 49, Pa. Later this list will be published in our bulletin.

Member Lewandowski showed me a very scarce interesting cover; the R.A. reads Eastern Command USSTAF, APO 798, % P.M. N.Y. N.Y.", regular handstamped cancel, type 47 with APO number showing in cancel dated June 26, 1944. It also has the box type U.S. Army Examiner censor mark No. 13118. According to the location book, APO No. 798 was located at Eriwan, Russia, from 10-12-44 till 12-13-46. This means that the cover is dated much earlier than the official records show. This APO is missing in almost every APO collection and is considered to be one of the scarcest to obtain.

WAR COVER CLUB AUCTION
Usual auction rules apply

1. Civil War. Sc.#65 on sm, neat cover canc'd "Canal Dover O." w/sm embossed seal on back "Union & Constitution" add. to Capt. in 30th Reg. Va., vf HB \$2.50
2. Bosnia - 1896 - 5pf. stamped env. w/vf canc. "KundK Milit Post XIV Bihac" vf
3. Sp. American War - Patriotic, Full color overall, flag cover, Wash.D.C.6/20/98.vf
4. 1 sm cover canc'd "7/27.98 Chicamauga Natl. Park, Ga." Stamp torn but vf cancel.
5. Boer War. Cover from Holland, 5/31/01 to POW camp Ceylon, w/circular cachet "Diy-atalowa Camp Fassed Censor, Pink lg. crown cens. label on back. vf
6. Boer War. 1 Penny Br. env. canc'd w/single circle "Brit. Army S.Africa FPO 6" June 13, 1902, vf. MB \$1.75
7. 1905 - Picture p.c. depicting Tsingtau-Kiautschou w/Kiautchou 5 pf. stamp canc'd "Tsingtau-Kiautschou," Nice item.
8. Deutsch-New Guines. 10 pf. postcard canc'd "Herbertshohe-Deutsch V.G."15/5/09. vf
9. Durazzo, Pict. p.c. w/Italian stamp overprt'd "Durazzo, 10 Para" w/clear cancel "Durazzo, 2/8/10" vf
10. Salonica. Cover w/Ital. stamp Overprt'd "Saloonicca 1 Pi" w/vf canc "Salonica 25/5/13.
11. Salonica. As last lot, but pict. p.c. w/10 Para stamp, canc'd "Salonica"

United States - WWI Covers

12. 2 AEF covers, APO 715, 927 on 2 dif. type Jewish Welfare Bd. cc. covers. f.
13. APO 927, 3rd Army Canc. w/cc"KofC w/Army of Occupation & K of C Xmas Postal Card.
14. 7 AEF covers, incld'g 715, 716, 717 and unnumbered cancels. f.
15. 16 AEF covers incld'g 2,7,11,701,2,5,715,723,729,730,731,734,746,770. poor to vf.
16. 25 stdn size covers-Army camps & fort cancels, 22 have YMCA,KofC or flag in cc.f-vf
17. Cover canc'd FPO-FD1 6/14/18, w/Br. cens. add. to U.S.;Ltr. enc. w/r.a. of 28th Squad RAF-IEF,Italy & tells of aerodrone & "chasing Funs across lines" vf.
18. USN - P.C. canc'd "USS Michigan 4/2/19", w/"Brest, France" in killers. vf.
19. USN - Lg. Official Business Env. canc'd "USNavy 10/17.18" w/typed cc "Uss Vermont Supply Officer", double circle censor marking. vf.
20. USN - Lg. O.B. Env. clipped at r., w/prnt't cc "USS New Mexico", Rect cens. mkg, cancelled "US Navy 8/28/18. f.
21. USN - Lg. O.B. Env. w/prnt'd cc "USS Utah", oval cens. mkg dated 4/26/18. vf
22. USN - 2 Lg. O.B. Envs. (fronts only). 1 slightly clipped at r. but vf USN canc, 1918; 1 w/cc "USS Minnesota"; other handstamp "USS Massachusetts"; Cens.
23. USN - 2 Lg. O.B. fronts; 1 w/prt'd cc "USS Mississippi" canc'd 9/28/18; 1 w/cc "Uss Missouri", Cancelled "USS Missouri 11/2/18" & Censored.
24. USN - 1 sm. cover. USN Cancel, w/Cens. Mkg. "Fassed by Censor, USS Indiana", in 2 lines and w/"USS Indiana" manuscript in cc. vf.
25. USN - Lg. O.B. Env. canc'd "USN Nov.11,1918 (Armistice Day) w/printed corner card "USS Connecticut", Censored. vf.
26. USN - Lg. O.B. Env.(Front only) w/prt'd cc "USS New Hampshire c/o PM, Fortress Monroe, Va." Canc'd "USS New Hampshire 4/18/18". 2 line Censor Marking.
27. USN - 2 Lg. Handstamped O.B. Envs, both canc'd "US Atlantic Patrol Forces", Censored, 1 w/rubber stamp cc "US Naval Base NINE". f.
28. USN - 3 Naval Shore Sta. Flag Cancels on YMCA env.;Great Lakes, Norfolk,Pelham.vf.

WWI Covers - Other Countries

29. Germany. Beautiful collection of 92 German Army Feldpostcard Cancels, incld'g 25 Inf. Divisions; 18 Res. Divs.; Guard Regiments; Armee Corps & Hdqts. Cancels with many dif. Regimental & Batt. Mkgs. Every cancel legible, Cards in vf condition. Wonderful opportunity to put together an outstanding collection. Est. Value \$10.00
30. Germany. 10 POW covers and cards, incld'g Ruhleben, Limburg, Dulmen, etc. vf
31. Great Britain. 15 sm. Field Post covers, incld'g Honour Envs., YMCA, etc. from Alexandria, S 2, S 38, T 29; Various cens. markings. Nice lot.
32. POW Red Cross card from Italian prisoner in Fungary to Italy; w/triangle Austrian Censor mkg & attractive boxed Italian Censor mkg. vf.
33. POW, 1 sm. neat cover w/same markings as last lot w/added markings. vf.

34. 10 Covers; 9 addressed to POW of 2nd Royal Dublin Fusiliers interned in Switzerland from London, Dublin & U.S.(1); 1 Cens. Cover from Swtitz to England. vf
35. Togo. 1915-1 sm neat cover w/Gold Coast stamp overprt'd "Anglo-French Occupation" canc'd "Lome-Togogebiet" to London w/added Br. stamp canc'd "E.C.1" vf.
36. Union of South Africa. POW cover. Registered, Canc'd "6/28/15 Pietermaritzburg", Censored and POW markings w/S. African stamp (Scott #9) vf
37. Ethiopian War. 1936 - 5 sm covers w/Eritrean stamps & var. Military Post canc. f.
38. Spanish Civil War. Franco picture as cachet. w/printed ins. "Saludo a Franco" w/added "For la Patria" stamp. Cens. & Antiaircraft Mil. Zone mkg. vf

U.S. Marine Covers Through WWII

39. 1 sm. cover canc'd "US Mar Corps Port au Prince, Haiti" w/hand stamped "Aero-plane Mail" 3/14/29. Beautiful cancel. vf. MB \$4.00
40. 1 sm. cover, canc'd as last lot, 6/25/31 w/cc of Navy Mail Clerk, First Brigade.vf
41. 1 long official cover canc'd as last lot 11/5/30, clipped at left.
42. 3 lg. Officials(fronts only) canc'd "USMC Constabulary, Port au Prince"; "US Exp. Forces, Nicaragua"; "USMC Cape Haitien, Haiti" All 1930. w/clean cancels.
43. 2 postal cards; 1 can'd "Puerto Cabezas, Nicaragua, 2nd Brigade, 1929"; other canc'd "USMC Managua, Nicaragua, 1932" vf.
44. 3 lg. Official; 1 canc'd "Mar. Detch. Amer Embassy Peiping, China" 1937; 2 4th Reg. M.C. Shanghai cancels (1 is front only) but dif. types. Clear cancels.
45. 4 sm. covers; 1 1940 Tientsin; 1 4th Reg. Shanghai; 1 1938 Peiping; 1 1941 "1st Mar. Brigade" "US Marines Iceland" in killer. vf lot.
46. 6 sm. covers; 1940-41; 4 w/cachets, First day postal service, 1st, 2nd, 4th & 6th Def. Bat; Portland Right, Jamaica, and 1st Mar. Aircraft Plt. Pand Cans.vf
47. 5 sm. covers; similar to last lot & fdc of Constitution stamp canc'd "Mar. Barr. Phila."
48. 11 WWII Marine covers, standard size, 1 w/slogan. vf.
49. USN - 1939 - Lg cover canc'd "USN Purchasing Off, Shanghai" w/cc USS Faiss(?)etc.
50. USN - 2 sm covers; 1 "Asiatic Fleet 7/10/41" w/Shanghai in killer; 1 USS Wyoming 7/9/37 w/Punchal, Madeira in killer. vf
51. USN - 4 launching cacheted covers, 1942-3, Phil. Navy Yard Sta. USS Wisconsin, New Jersey, Terror, Butler. All w/official announcement enclosed. vf.
52. USN - 12 covers (2 large) w/Naval Slogan Cancels. Poor to vf.
53. USN - Tokyo Bay Cover, USS Greenlet, Canc'd 10/16/45 w/beautiful 5 inch cachet "Tokyo Bay Occ Force". Same cachet on letter describing entry of fleet into Bay. vf.
54. USN - 10 Battleship Cacheted Covers 1934-45; Mo., Tenn., Miss., N.Y., Utah, Col., Texas, Md., Penn. etc., 6 with slogans in killers. vf.
55. USN - 19 Submarine Covers, mostly 1932-9, 18 cacheted w/slogans; 15 dif subs. vf. MB \$4.00
56. Alaska - 3 Cens covers canc'd Anchorage, Ketchikan & APO 942(Ft Richardson) vf.
57. Hawaii - 8 sm Patriotics, 1941-4, canc't Ft. Shafter, Honolulu, Hana. nice lot.
58. Hawaii - 10 covers(2 lg) Civilian censored(6); incld'g 2 "Released by I.C.O.; OVO Cens. mkg(2); Schofield Barracks Canc(1921); pre-war cachets; 4 ct sq. cancels.
59. 1 UC-9 Provisional A.M. 6¢ on 2¢ Bicent. Env. used APO 857. vf. (Retail \$3.25)
60. 2 Unproc. V-Mail, Domestic use; 1 full color Valentine; 1 illustrated letter to serviceman and 1 Victory envelope for reuse. vf.
61. 2 Soldier(s ltrs w/private prnt'd stamp "Free for Victory" used as franking and cancelled and 5 printed "Free" covers (diff. types) Int. and f.
62. 3 V-Mail Xmas greeting from N. Africa and 1 Third Army Xmas Card. vf.
63. 2 APO covers 1 w/cachet "Get us home-No boats, no votes"; other "Service" misspelled. f.
64. 1 APO 442 (Luzon) cover 4/11/45 from Lt. Buckholz who escaped from Japs & fought with guerillas. Clipping tells whole story. Interesting item.
65. 2 American Field Service Covers; APO 464-US A.M. stamps w/Br. Bpo Canc. & Cens.f.
66. 4 Unproc. V-Mail, Canc'd APO 635, 638(Casablanca), 860(Iceland) & Canadian Overs.
67. 1 sm. cov canc'd APO 86(IwoJima) w/Iwo Jima Commem. stamps; & 1 /Sc2. handstamped "Missing" on APO 526 cancelled cover. vf.

U.S. WW II

68. 1 p.c. imprinted "Sailor's Letter", from USS Marblehead, 12/27/41. Censored. vf
69. 2 sm.covers. APO 801-B, 801-C (Newfoundland) 7/21/41, rect. cens.mkg & flag on l.vf
70. 3 lg. covers - APO803(Trinidad) 10/3/41 - APO 847,850(Porto Rico) 1942. vf.
71. 1 sm. registered cover - APO 858 (Narsarssauk, Greenland) 5/14/42. vf.
72. 12 dif APO (4 lg officials) inter-island mail; Guadalcanal; War Ballot p.c.etc. f.
73. 15 Dif. APOs between 1 & 176, mostly Europe, var. sizes. poor to vf.
74. 15 dif APOs betw 179/520, incl Japan(2); Calcutta; Kharagpor, India; Leyte, etc.
75. 15 dif APOs betw 522/629, incl 627(Kumming, China) 629 Chabua, India) etc.
76. 15 dif APOs betw 633/873, incl 675(Recife) 689-90(India), 726(Attu), 729(Shemya, Alas)
77. 24 sm Patriotics from servicemen-mostly "Free". Few APOs incl. 807(Br. Guinea)
78. 29 sm Patriotics canc'd at 29 dif camps & forts, few reg. cancels used. vf lot.
79. 18 unused dif Patriotics, 9 with matching stationery (mostly Winkus 1943) vf.

WW II - Other Countries

80. Australia (1942-47) 50 mixed sm covers, RAAF, Navals, Army, Cens., mstly 146-7 vf.
81. Canada (1942-3) 10 sm covers - domestic use - incl 2 Churchill Patriotics, 8 wartime slogans; V ...; Save scrap; Enlist now, etc. vf.
82. Ceylon - 1943 - sm "on active service" cov; canc. "RAF Base PO Ceylon" w/7 bars, Cens. vf.
83. Egypt - 11 Cens. covers canc'd "Egypt Postage/Prepaid" w/all dif. Numbers, incl'g 3 with S. African stamps. f-vf. MB \$5.00
84. 3 sm. cens. covers to US from Egypt, Australia, Uganda; attract. stamps used. vf.
85. France - 3 covers from Jewish Internment Camp - 1941-2 - canc'd "Camp de Gurs, Basses-Pyrenees", all w/vf clear camp cens. mkg. cachets. vf & scarce.
86. France - 5 sm. cov. 144-5, w/var cancels, franked w/AMG stamps addr to Switz. vf.
87. France - 3 covs., franked as last lot, w/cens mkg "Ouvert par les authorities de controle" and "militaire". vf.
88. France - 1948 - Sm neat cov. w/comp set AMG Occup. Issue 1945 (Sc.2M11-20) vf.
89. French Equatorial African stamp ov'prtd "Libre 24-10-40", canc'd 1942 Brazzaville, Capital of Free France, on post card depicting Gen. DeGaulle's arrival. vf.
90. Germany - 1938 - German pc w/fancy canc. for liberation of Sudetenland w/swastika and "Wir sind frie" (We are free) in cancel. vf.
91. Germany - Cov w/overp'td Ger. stamp "Lothringer" (Lorraine Occ.) w/provisional straight line cabcel "9 Juni 1941" and town. vf
92. Germany - 2 covers - 1 w/Ukraine Hitler overprt st. canc'd "Deutsche Dienstpost Ukraine"; 1 pc w/German overprt st. "Osten" canc'd "Neu Sandec" 1940. vf.
93. Germany - 3 Fieldpost Covers from Channel Is. 1 w/Ger & Jersey stmps; 1 w/Ger. & Guernsey stmps; 1 w/Ger stamps. All w/Channel Is. Canc & Germ. FPO Canc. vf
94. Germany - 5 sm covers add. to POW Germ. internees at camps in Ceylon, Isle of Man, Canada, Gr. Britain & Bombay, var cens mkgs; cancels; Hitler stamps. vf.
95. Germany - 1948- Berlin Airlift Cov. w/Spec. canc. "Luftbrücke, Berlin" & plane. vf
96. Great Britain - 1 FPO 431 cov. w/mkg "Army Signals H BR"; & 1 Gibraltar, canc'd FPO 475 w/Gibraltar stamp and Gib. triangular cens. mkg. vf.
97. Italy - 3 sm covers from Doctor on Italian warship "BOT Legionario" w/ship canc. var. cens. mkgs & 5 Or 6 other postal mkgs to figure out. Interesting.
98. Italy - 1943 - 5 int. Mil. Post Cards w/var Squad. & Reg. Markings. Each card has dif. immortal(?) imprinted quotes of Mussolini. Unusual.
99. Jugoslavia - 1940- Spec. Balkan Entente cacheted cover depicting maps of member countries - Sp. red commem, cancel on stamps issued for event. vf.
100. Kenya - 1 cov w/Kenya stamps; canc'd Nairobi 11/8/40; bckst'd "APS/EAF" (E.Af.Army)
101. Kenya - 2 Air Ltrs w/Kenya stmps canc'd APO 8 - 1944. RAF censor mkgs. Int. letters.
102. Luxembourg - 1941- Comp. set Germ. Occ. stmps (NBI-9) on cover w/fancy Nazi hand cancel depicting submarine. Philatelic, of course, but still very fine.
103. New Zealand - 3 colorful Patriotics, Cens.(2) w/nice cancel. & stamps, to U.S. vf.
104. New Zealand - 8 Air Force camp cancels on small prepared covers, all 1941. vf
105. New Zealand - 17 sm "active service" covers w/var cens. mkgs. Int. lot f-vf
106. New Zealand - 2 YMCA covers canc'd "NZEF FPO" and Censored. f.
107. New Zealand - 2 sm Cens. covers. 1 canc'd "RNZAF 3No43 NZAPO" (New Hebrides); 1 rep. but f w/same cancel dated 4 Au 44 (Guadalcanal). MB \$2.00

108. New Zealand - 1 sm Cens cov. canc'd NZEF/No3/NZAPO 150 (3rd N.Z. Division at Guadalcanal or New Hebrides.) f.
109. New Zealand - Sim. to last lot but No 7 in canc. (14th NZ Brig. (Quad. or New Heb.) f.
110. Palestine - 1939 - 2 Regis. Cov. to US; 1 Tel Aviv w/pink Cens. strip; 1 Jerusalem, w/blue cens. strip & hexagonal cens mkg. Very attractive items.
111. Palestine - 1941 - Reg. cover Tel Aviv-canc'd on back FPO 122;171; Base P.O.BW1; Censor label (Egypt & Palestine). Slightly clipped at rt but f.
112. Philippines - Jap Occup. FDC (N10/11) Overprinted Commonwealth Airmails. vf.
113. Poland -1945- Cover w/Pol. st. canc'd "Lubliniec"-POW camp - Cans. Registered.f.
114. Saar -1947- Comp. set overp'td pictorials on sm neat cover (Sc#175-87) vf
115. So. Rhodesia -(1942-3) 5 covers (1 lg) w/diff camp cancels; Censor markings; 4 w/Air Training Group cachets. MB \$2.00
116. So. Rhodesia - 6 sm covers, sim. to last lot, w/diff camp cancels. MB \$2.00
117. Sweden - 3 Military Post covers; 1/w Mil. stamp & 2 w/imprinted mil. stamp. vf.
118. Switzerland -1939-40- 2 dif. covers w/military stamps & dif Fieldpost canc. vf.

KOREAN WAR

119. USN - 2 covs; 1 canc'd "Uss Gen. Anderson 4/16/52" & 1 "Uss Calvert 12/11/51"
120. USN - 1 cov. "USS Boxer 9/6/52" w/cachet "US Forces in Far East" Mt. Fuji cachet on back.
121. New Zealand Forces - 1954 - 1 Forces ltr canc'd NZAPO 444, FPO 3; 1 cov w/NZ stamps and w/same cancel but FPO 4 (Both Korea) vf.
122. 2 covers - 1 from Utah, autographed by Capt. C. Jolly, Korean Jet Ace; 1 addr. to Swedish R.C. Field Hosp. APO 1000(Korea) via Tokyo, bckst. AFO 500.
123. 1957 - 1 A.M. Cover Canc'd Seoul addr. to one of our leading members containing Xmas card from "Gen. Sun Yup Paik, Chief of Staff, Rep. of Korea Army."
124. 3 covers - 1 APO 970("maegu"); 1 358(Yongdung); 1(lg) USMC Br 12867 (1st Div) f.
125. 8 covers (4 long) from all dif Korean APOs; 1 1948, rest 1950-55. all identified.
126. 1954-5 - 37 Korean APOs; 301("maegu-2"); 59(Fusan-17); 971(Yongdung Pu-18) - "any "Free-Airmail" on Korean service club env. All standard size.

MISCELLANEOUS

127. 3 Cancelled "R.F." overp'td US A.M. stamps- 3 dif types - 1 stamp with gum. Minimum bid \$6.75. Bids of \$2.25 on 1 stamp will be accepted. vf.
128. Operation Highjump. 1 cov "USS Mt. Olympus" sm.; cacheted "Anarctic Exped. 1946-7" MB \$1.00
129. 1 long Kraft paper cov. - Canadian stamps canc'd "Armstrong Sta. Ont. 12/31/56" w/cc of 914th AC & W Squadron, Armstrong"- USAF on Pine Tree Line. MB \$1.75
130. CRASH cover - canc'd Seattle 4/9/42 w/2 rub. stmps "Delay due to Air Mail Interruption near New York, N.Y. April 11, 1942". Water-stained. MB \$1.25
131. 5 Covers salvaged from mail train fire, each stamped "Damaged in Fire in Railway Mail Car, Daggett, Calif." Charred & edges burned. Typed acct. of fire.
132. China - 1939 Registered cover "Minhow, Foochow" w/4 large US-China flag commem. vf
133. 9 First Flight Covers - Qantas & Boac only, incl'd'g 1958 Round-the-World; 1956 Olympic Flight; Mauritius-So. Africa; Australia-Cocos; N. Borneo-London, etc. vf.
134. 6 Maiden Voyage cach. covers (1932-40) Manhattan; America; Santa Lucia; Rosa; Washington; 2 w/Ger. Sea Post cancels. vf.
135. "War Cover Philatelist" - 18 Dif. copies betw 1938-43. Plenty of info here.
- 136*. 2 Boxes, about 5000 covers, mstly WWII APOs, Navals, Camps but a few WWI Mil and Cens.
- 137*. 1 Box w/2400 war ballot airmail covers, all legal size, all WWII.

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