

## Back Issue of Military Postal History Society 'Bulletin': (Bulletin Mar 1945)

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## WAR COVER CLUB BULLETIN

March 1945

(Not to be sent overseas)

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**WAR BALLOT COVERS.** Certain special envelopes issued for the return of ballots from members of the armed forces in the presidential election of November, 1944, have come to our attention. The cover for the FEDERAL BALLOT is printed in red on white paper and measures 4 1/8 by 9 1/2 inches. Horizontally across the front of the cover are two broad red stripes between which is printed OFFICIAL FEDERAL WAR BALLOT - VIA AIR MAIL. Along with these covers there was issued an inner envelope in which the ballot was sealed. On the face of this envelope, printed in red, is an affidavit to be filled in by the voter.

The envelope issued by the STATE OF WASHINGTON is the same size as the Federal cover and is printed in red and black on cream colored paper. The face of the cover is divided into two sections. The right-hand section is a reduced facsimile of the face of the Federal cover; on the left-hand side is printed an affidavit.

At least two types of envelopes were sent out by the STATE OF CALIFORNIA. They are both of brown manila paper, 4 1/2 x 10 3/8 inches in size. One of them is printed all in red with a double stripe across the face similar to the Federal cover. The second is printed in black with a small red AIR MAIL label and is for the most part quite different from the first in wording and layout. The reason for two such diverse types of envelopes is not known.

Similar covers were no doubt sent out by other states. We should like to have a brief description of them for later listing.

**APO CRASH COVERS.** In February APO covers were received which had been in an airplane accident en route from England to this country. The covers were considerably damaged by fire and water. They were forwarded to the addressees accompanied by a sticker from the New York postmaster explaining what had happened to them.

**MORE APO NUMBERS.** Extension of the APO numbers to include a 10 hundred and an 11 hundred series has been announced. Most of them seem to be assigned to the Pacific area. Since all these new cancellations will probably contain the APO number, there should be no confusion with the early temporary numbers that fall within the same series.

**BRAZILIAN MILITARY MAIL.** According to the Postal Bulletin, the Brazilian Expeditionary Force in Italy is using the U. S. Army postal facilities, including cancellations, etc. The same arrangement will probably apply to the Mexican aviation unit that will soon see service against the Japanese.

**PRISONER POST CARD.** The Provost Marshall General's Office has issued a special postal card for the use of Japanese internees. It is the same bluish-green color as the other prisoner correspondence forms described in the July 1944 Bulletin. The front of the card is to be used only for the address of the addressee. At the top of the reverse side is the statement I AM IN AN AMERICAN INTERNMENT CAMP. Below this statement are spaces for indicating state of health, address, name, internment serial number, APO number, and date. All inscriptions on both sides are in English and Japanese.

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 ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS TO LIST OF MEMBERS
 

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- 189-\*Lt. Philip E. Baker, Co. C, 568th Signal Bn., APO 951, c/o P. M., San Francisco, Calif. WW 1, 2, Marine Detachments, Naval Shore Stations.
- 111- Andrew D. Carroll, 94 Rock Lane, Berkeley 7, Calif.
- 18- Mortimor Degroot, 394 E. Tremont Ave., Bronx 57, N. Y.
- 172- John C. Dickel, 6711 Souder St., Philadelphia 24, Penna.
- 3- Maxwell Halpern, 1351 Noble Ave., Bronx 60, N. Y.
- 157- A. S. Landry, 71 High Street, Concord, N. H.
- 190-\*F. F. Ott, Rosenbaum Co., Liberty, 6th & Penn, Pittsburgh 22, Penna.
- 58- Charles Pellerin, 135 Ash St., Lewiston, Maine. WW 1, 2
- 171- Lt. Col. L. H. Tuttle, TC, 210 22nd Ave., N.E., St. Petersburg, Florida.

\*New members

EXCHANGE DEPARTMENT. The Club is going to experiment with an Exchange Department. Here is the way it will work:

- 1) Send a list of your duplicates and a list of your wants to the Exchange Manager together with 5 self-addressed government postal cards.
- 2) Both the list of wants and the list of duplicates should be accurately detailed in some such manner as the following:
  1. APO, hand stamp with number slug in postmark.
  2. APO, machine cancellations containing numbers.
  3. V-Mail.
  4. Naval, hand stamps from ships.
  5. Canadian MPO's.

If all kinds of naval covers are collected, list of duplicates need not be sent in.

- 3) Exchange Manager will compare want and duplicate lists and notify proper members if they have items that may be exchanged to their mutual benefit.
- 4) Exchanges will be made on basis of cover for cover in the same class.
- 5) The responsibility of the Club and of the Exchange Manager will not extend beyond the point specified in Paragraph 3.
- 6) The Exchange Manager is Walter C. Brooke, 210 West 6th St., Boyertown, Penna. The Sales Department will continue to function.

There have been requests for listing types of APO covers. Many of these types were illustrated in the WAR COVER PHILATELIST, which is not available to some of our members. A new listing of these types is under study. If and when certain rather thorny problems are solved, this listing will be published.

DUES. Replies to the question on the amount of dues to be charged for the next club year beginning in April have been almost unanimous in favor of maintaining them at their present level. The secretary will therefore send out notices for the usual payment of one dollar and a half. Members who cannot pay this amount are asked to pay what they can or to arrange with the secretary-treasurer to be carried until such a time as they are in a position to pay. Members of the Armed Forces need not pay dues while in service if it is inconvenient or onerous for them to do so. Prompt payment of dues will permit the budget for the year to be made up early so that the number of issues of the Bulletin, etc., may be planned.

Short ads, like the one below, will be accepted at one dollar per issue, when space permits.

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WANTED. World War I - II covers from Belgium and Belgian Congo, including German Occupied Belgium War I. Lt. R. E. Morrison, USNR, 1812 G St., N.W., Wash. 6, D.C.

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Additional Directory Markings  
(See September 1944 Bulletin)

RETURN TO SENDER A. P. O. ....

Unknown.....

% POSTMASTER

Gone-no address.....

NEW YORK, N. Y.

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Returned to United States.

Attention: Post Postal Officer

P.E. APO San Francisco, Calif.

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No Record at 5th Repl. Depot

L107

No Record at APO 502

L109

REASON CHECKED

Unknown at N.Y.P.E.

For better address

No such APO

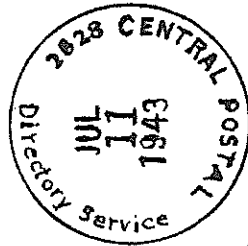
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CONTROL SECTION

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Additional Casualty Markings  
(See September 1944 Bulletin)

MISSING  
A-G Casualty Div.  
Hq. USAFFE

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Missing

335 Bmb. Sqd. 95 Bmb. Gp.

Date.....

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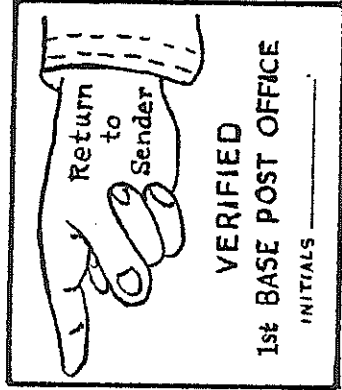
MISSING IN ACTION

ARTHUR W. McCORMACK, 2nd Lt., Adj.

525th Bomb Sq 375th Bomb Gp.

Date.....

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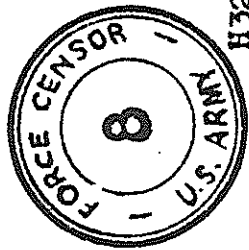


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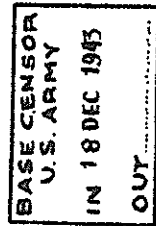


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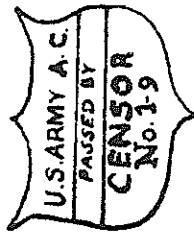
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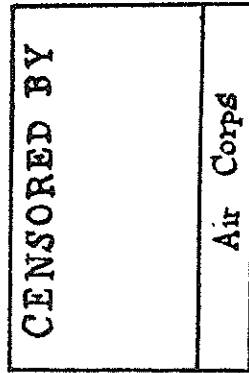
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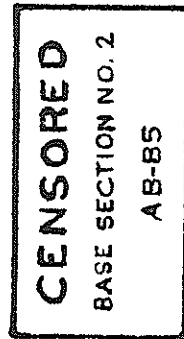
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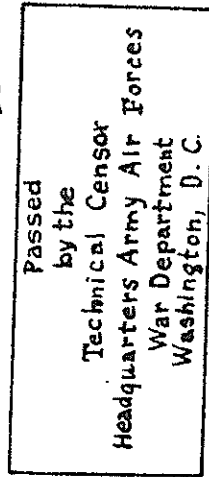
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PASSED BY  
A ST ADC  
CENSOR

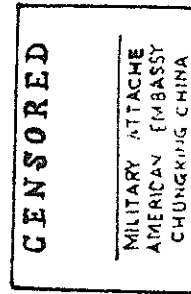
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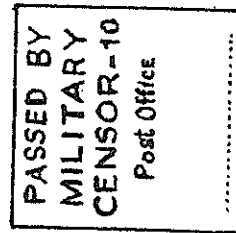
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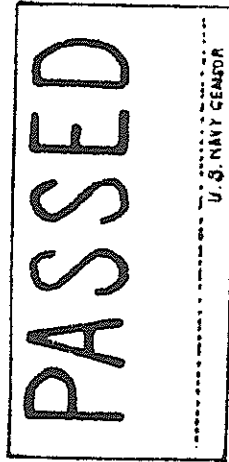


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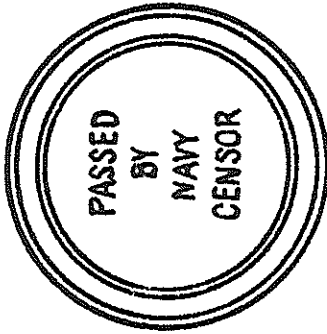


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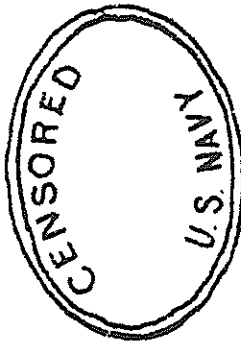
U. S. Navy Censor Markings, World War II



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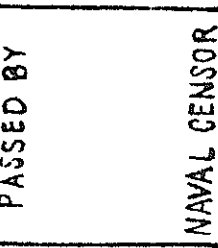


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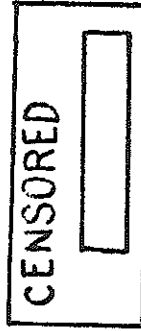
KENNETH M. WEST  
LIEUT., CEC, VIS) USNR,  
Resident Officer-in-Charge.  
U. S. Navy Com. MOy-4162 (a)  
CENSORED.



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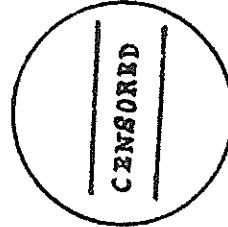
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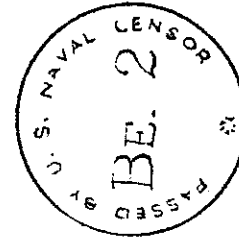
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