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ALLIED MILITARY POST OFFICES  
IN OCCUPIED GERMANY

Three of the smaller Allied Nations, Belgium, Denmark, and Norway have token forces in Germany which have their own post offices and postmarks.

The Belgian post office uses a handstamp postmark which consists of a single circle about 28mm. in diameter. Around the inner side of the circle is the inscription: POSTES-POSTERIJEN/B.P.S.7. The date runs across the center. Numbers 3, 5, and 7 have been seen.

The Danes use a part double circle handstamp of about the same size, divided across the center something like the German "bridge" type. In the upper half, which is single circle, are the words: DEN DANSKE/ BRIGADE. In the lower half, between half circles and flanked by stars is the word: TYSKLAND (Germany). The date runs across the middle.

The Norwegians use both a handstamp and a machine cancellation. The handstamp, which is double circle, has this inscription between the circles: NORSK FELTPOSTKONTOR TYSKLAND-OSLO\*. The date runs across the center. The machine cancellation is of the continuous type. The dials are single circles about 26mm. in diameter. Inside at the top are the words: TYSKLAND-OSLO; at the bottom are three stars; in the center is the date. Between the dials are the words: NORSK/FELTPOSTKONTOR boxed in two semi-circles.

The Dutch have had no military post office in Germany.

A NEW (?) A. E. F. TYPE

C. D. Brenner reports the discovery of an unlisted variety of Type A5 of an A.E.F. cover of the First World War. The postmark has a large numeral 9 in the killer, so it was presumably used at APO 9. The date is February 20, 1918, and the return address shows that the letter was sent by a member of Co. E, 103rd Infantry.

THE CANADIAN AIRGRAPH SERVICE  
by A. K. Hurlburt

The Canadian Airgraph Service was in use from November 15, 1941 to July 14, 1945. The letter sheets were issued by the Post Office Department and were available at all Post Offices. The first sheets were printed in black on white paper and were unnumbered. Subsequent printings were numbered 1 thru 8 on the upper left corner.

In July 1943, the sheet arrangement was altered to conform to the V-Mail type. It was printed in blue on white folded paper and numbered. Only No. 1 was issued.

The airgraph sheets were printed both in English and French in separate issues.

Unlike V-Mail, Airgraph could be used by a civilian corresponding with another civilian.

MOBILE APU STATISTICS  
by A. J. Tripp

Official field reports on the movements of the Army Postal Units provide some interesting data. Starting with the N. African campaign, we find three APU's assigned to Gibraltar which was Gen. Eisenhower's headquarters from November 5 to 23, 1942. Unit 512 arrived at Gibraltar in October 1942, moving to the Army's HQ's at Algiers on November 11, 1942. Unit 521 moved to Gibraltar during the same month, but the records show it did not proceed to Africa until April 6, 1943, when it was assigned to Rabat, Morocco. Unit 532 reached Gibraltar on January 7, 1943, and moved to Bone, Algeria in March 1943.

During the N. African campaign, we find that 55 APU's were located at Oran, Algeria. Only 23 are listed as being at Bizerte, Tunisia. One unit at each location moved out, returning at a later date.

Proceeding to Italy, we find 81 Units at Naples during the entire campaign, three moving out and returning later. Naples seems to have been the funnel for all such units, as just to the north lies Caserta where 37 units are listed. Then going farther north to Rome we find 45 listed. Spreading out from here over north Italy at the end of the campaign, we note APU 88 and 209 reached Trieste.

During the campaign we find that 38 APU's moved through Marseilles at the time of the invasion of S. France. The shortest active record is held by Unit 107 which is listed at Maastricht, Holland from June 7 to 15, 1945.

In the Pacific area, starting with a few units in Australia and vicinity, the number increased to 19 units at Hollandia where Gen. MacArthur established his HQ's. on July 6, 1944. The flow increased as the campaign started. APU's from Hawaii and the S. Pacific area moved through New Guinea and the Solomons, two units being listed as at Port Moresby, six each at Milne Bay and Finschhafen, and nine at Guadalcanal. Going north to Morotai we find five units. Moving on to Leyte after D-Day, October 20, 1944, we count 40 units. These increased to a total of 59 on Luzon, 13 being located at various towns and 46 at Manila. Okinawa seems to be the last island where any great number of such units were assigned, the list containing 32 APU's located here.

We cannot assume that the above records indicate that all such APU's used their cancels at all locations. In some instances some units may have been helping other APU's; some, perhaps, were being held in reserve for planned future operations, and some which operated the BPO and PRS units may not have used their APO cancels at any time.

Some APU's in the S. Pacific were active in a small area. As an example we take 565 established at Goodenough I., located near the S.E. coast of New Guinea, in January, 1944, and moving about 300 miles north to Cape Cretin, near Finschhafen, on February 29, 1944. It returned to Goodenough I. in March, 1944; on April 28, 1944 it moved to Hollandia, N.G., and ceased operating on January 31, 1946. In contrast we note that APU 713 started operating at Oro Bay, N.G. in August, 1943, moved to Lae, N.G. September, 1943, then on to Nagoya, Japan October 1, 1945, and from there to Kyoto, Japan during November, 1946, where it is still known to be active as late as January, 1948.

FALL MEETING A SUCCESS!

The War Cover Club meeting held October 15 at the offices of Scott Publications, Inc. in New York City had a good turnout. Starting at 10 A.M. with a few members already on hand, it lasted until 4:30, with a good turnout of the local membership.

Again, it was a toss-up as to the distance traveled to attend, between Members Rogan and Cipolli. Rev. Robinson, as usual, had some mouth-watering items to show. Mr. L. E. Kieffer also had an exhibit of really fine and unusual foreign censored covers. It is surprising to see how very near completion are some of the APO collectors.

Why not arrange occasional meetings in your area to bring out the membership and exhibits which might otherwise not be seen and appreciated.

#### AN SOS FROM THE EDITOR

What do you think of the idea of writing a few lines on one or two of your favorite covers to be run in the Bulletin, or a short article on how you got started in the War Cover field? The rest of us would like to know more about your collection.

What kind of articles do you want to see in the Bulletin? Have you submitted any lately? Do you know someone who has information on a subject we should know more about?

Drop me a line. I'd like to hear from everyone; the more ideas and articles, the better I'll like it.

Jean Koor.

#### TREASURERS REPORT W.C.C. FROM APRIL 15, 1948 TO APRIL 1, 1949.

##### EXPENSES

Received from Dr. Perry	8.20	Envelopes, cards, stamps	40.65
Donation Auction	115.80	National Fed. Dues	1.00
Dues	171.75	Supplies	7.90
Advertising	1.00	Printing	<u>127.10</u>
Sale of lists and files	22.05	Total expenses	<u>176.65</u>
Interest	<u>.36</u>		
Total receipts	319.16		
" expenses	<u>176.65</u>		
Balance in treasury	<u>142.51</u>		

H. K. Robinson, Secretary-Treasurer.

- 297 Ardiff, Vernon L. P.O. Box 2043, Richmond 16, Va.  
Collects - APO's of Pacific Islands and Greenland. Navy # - F.P.O. return address covers, U.S. Navy cancelled W.U II and later. Paquebor, ship letter cancels. Fort Jefferson, Fla. 1860's - Fortugas, Fla. 1890-1900 - cancels.
- 298 Armstrong, J. J. 107 central Ave., Belmont, N.C.  
Collects APO's.
- 169 Ashwill, William S. 122 McClelland St., Salt Lake City 2, Utah.  
Collects - All censored covers.
- 167 Ahman, Berbard L. Jr. 107 E. 32nd St. Baltimore 18, Md.  
Collects - APO, camp, naval and marine, since 12/7/41.
- 252 Ainsburg, Maurice G. Sr. 38 Seaman Ave. Castleton-on-Hudson, N.Y.  
Collects - Any censored.
- 258 Babowicz, Dr. B. 1132 Parade St. Erie, Pa.  
Collects - A.P.O's.

- 90 Baggett, Michael R. 1615 N. McDowell St. Charlotte 6, N.C.  
Collects - All Wars.
- 189 Baker, Philip E. 76 Edwin St., Ridgefield Park, N.J.  
Collects - War I and II APO's, marine, naval, shore stations.
- 57 Bartley, D.C. 6035 8th Ave. N.E. Seattle 5, Wash.  
Collects - Naval cancels.
- 214 Beatty, Wm. S. 232 Hilands Ave. Ben Avon, Pittsburgh 2, Pa.  
Collects - All APO's with # in cancel.
- 260 Bellard, Ernest H. 1940 Staunton Rd. Cleveland Heights 18, Ohio.  
Collects - World War I and II.
- 74 Black, Arthur F. 144 Providence Rd. Charlotte 7, N.C.  
Collects - World War I and II.
- 275 Bogg, Wm. G. Jr. 5 Fraternity Terr. Williamsburg, Va.  
Collects - Mainly British Cols. but also the whole field.
- 46 Brenner, C.D. 5 Montrose Rd. Berkeley, Calif.  
Collects - All U.S. Wars.
- 239 Brock, Fred C. MD. 600 So. Reese Place, Burbank, Calif.  
Collects - W.W. II and other wars.
- 263 Browne, David B. 466 Fillmore St., Pasadena 5, Calif.
- 245 Browning, Lester L. P.O. Box 2, Natchez, Miss.  
Collects - P.O.W. and Censored.
- 102 Burr, David H. 25 N. Main St. Gloversville, N. Y.
- 285 Clement, Alfred Graz, Heinrichstr. 27/1, Austria.  
Collects - War Covers of all Countries.
- 52 Case, Wm. O. Pleasant Valley, Conn.  
Collects - World War Covers.
- 211 Cipolli, W. J. Tillson, N. Y.  
Collects - APO & FPO's. POW's, Naval, W.W.I and II.
- 200 Cole, A.C. 136 E. Como Ave., Columbus 2, Ohio.  
Collects - All types war covers and censored.
- 202 Cole, Redmond S. Box 92 Tulsa 1, Okla.  
Collects - Overseas, camp sites, patriotics.
- 259 Copestake, Charles H. 1023 Park Ave., Schenectady 8, N. Y.  
Collects - W.W.II, censored covers of that period.
- 91 Cummings, Eugene P. 1106 Glen Drive, San Leandro, Calif.  
Collects - U.S. all wars.
- 172 Dickel, John C. 6711 Souder St., Philadelphia 24, Pa.  
Collects - All kinds of war covers.
- 290 Doctor, Alex 116 Nassau St. N.Y.C.7, N.Y. Room 905  
Collects - All kinds.
- 187 Dermody, Harold 2317 S. 50th. Ave., Cicero 50, Ill.  
Collects - All U.S. and all P.O.W.
- 138 Faulstich, Fred 190 W. Burnside Ave. N.Y.C. 53, N.Y.  
Collects - U.S. (all), Boer War, General.
- 230 Felter, John C. 3851 Albermarle Ave., Drexel Hill, Pa.  
Collects - Borderless Air mails, service patriotics.
- 151 Fusmer, Homer W. Box 183 - Canajoharie, N. Y.  
Collects - U.S. and censored airmail (foreign).
- 280 Freiberg, Ralph 4142 26th. St. San Francisco 14, Cal.  
Collects - U.S. naval only.
- 296 Gill, Rowland P. 610 Eastland Ave., Ruston, La.  
Collects - Anything of any period from the U.S., British Empire, Latin America, Philippines.
- 7 Gray, Eva F. (Miss) 166 Irving Ave., Providence 6, R.I.  
Collects - World War General.
- 243 Grounds, Charles H. 1 Columbia Place, Albany 7, N. Y.  
Collects - Censored Civilian W.W.II
- 3 Halpern, Maxwell 1351 Noble Ave., New York 60, N. Y.  
Collects - A.E.F. covers only.

- 63 Hahan, Dave 5841 Walnut St., Pittsburgh 32, Pa.  
 278 Handy, Merritt F. 539 Washington St. Brighton 35, Mass.  
 Collects - French and Fr. Colonial (any kind).  
 201 Hassan, Wm. J. 406 N. Tioga St. Ithaca, N. Y.  
 Collects - APO's W.W.II  
 31 Hertzberg, B. 554 Merritt Ave., Oakland 10, Cal.  
 30 Hertzberg, M. 736 Hillgirt Circle, Oakland 10, Cal.  
 222 Hill, Norman Netherliegh, Old Wortley Rd. Rotherham, Yorkshire, England  
 Collects - British Army and Navy, all wars, Allied postmarks in G.B.  
 127 Hourvitz, Clarence 5986 Douglas St., Pittsburgh 17, Pa.  
 Collects - W.W.II  
 65 Hurlburt, Arthur K. 1100 Balfour Rd. Grosse Pointe Park 30, Mich.  
 Collects - Free, APO's, V-mail, V-mail sheets.  
 192 Ivey, R.K. 227 Westmoreland, Lynchburg, Va.  
 246 Jagger, Eugene 10 Kings Road, Cheadle Hulme, Stockport, England  
 Collects - APO's all wars and countries, prefers U.S.  
 291 Jensen, Charles A. Hagens Alle 32, Hellerup, Denmark  
 Desires to exchange covers.  
 106 Jones, Mrs. Stephen W. 4327 Erie Ave., Madisonville, Cincinnati 27, Ohio  
 Collects - Censored W.W. II, U.S.  
 249 Johnson, Gordon F. Box 672 Station A. Champaign, Ill.  
 Collects - W.W.I and II, Civil War Patriotics, Navals, POW's, etc.  
 292 Kanaga, Clinton W. 5615 Tahoe Lane, Kansas City, Kans.  
 Collects - American covers from Rev. War to V.J. Day.  
 293 Kieffer, L.E. 49 Holmes Place, Lynbrook, N. Y.  
 Collects - W.W.II, censored - other than military.  
 29 Klinger, J. Paul 31 Hastings Ave., Havertown, Pa.  
 282 Koor, Miss Jean c/o Scott, 1 West 47th St. New York 19, N. Y.  
 210 Langer, Alfred F. 35 Lenox Ave., Glenbrook, Conn.  
 Collects - Overseas army covers of W.W.II  
 136 Leach, Floyd S. 82 Highland Ave. S. Norwalk, Conn.  
 Collects - U.S. War covers.  
 176 Leighton, Leroy G. 5123 Spencer Rd. Cleveland 24, Ohio.  
 Collects - W.W.II covers.  
 217 Lemponen, Carl T. 976 Broad St. Conneaut, Ohio.  
 Collects - Borderless Airmail and V-mail, W.W.II  
 253 Litchfield, Lloyd W. 81 Dedham Ave. Needham 92, Mass.  
 Collects - All wars - all countries.  
 250 Lovell, Edward 119 E. Third St. Charlotte 2, N.C.  
 Collects - War covers of the world.  
 209 Lund, Gustav J. 136 Highland Blvd. Berkeley I. Calif.  
 Collects - APO's, Navals, FPO's, Pow's.  
 270 Major, Richard M. Elliott Heights, RFD 2, Newark, Del.  
 Collects - APO covers.  
 137 Martin, George M. 216 So. 28th. Ave. Yakima, Wash.  
 Collects - W.W.I and II, all kinds censored.  
 115 Mathys, Miss Della 608 Belmont Rd. Grand Forks, N.D.  
 Collects - W.W.II  
 81 Mikucki, Chester J. 1844 N. Winchester Ave., Chicago 22, Ill.  
 Collects - Occupied Poland W.W.I and II.  
 185 Mitchell, Miss Myrtle 500 S. Market St., Winamac, Ind.  
 Collects - APO's, camps, W.W.II  
 266 Molnar, Charles J. 2950 W. 14th. St. Cleveland 13, Ohio.  
 Collects - Patriotic cards and covers of Spanish American and W.W.II, allied  
 propaganda leaflets of W.W.I and II.  
 6 Montgomery, Wm. H. 30 Pine St., New York 5, N. Y.  
 Collects - A.E.F. covers and stationery of War I.

- 56 Morgan, Ian C. 1455 Union Ave. Montreal 2, Canada.  
Collects - Bermuda, Canada, British covers.
- 218 Motz, Arthur M. 1231 Grotto St. Pittsburgh 6, Pa.  
Collects - U.S. Fields, camps, bases, APO, FPO, Foreign.
- 212 Muzzy, Ernest J. 142 Prospect St., Jamestown, N. Y.  
Collects - Patriotics and W.W.II
- 268 Newby, Jerry B. 1816 N.W. 23rd. St. Oklahoma City 2, Okla.  
Collects - Censored covers.
- 190 Ott, F.F. Rosenbaum's Stamp Dept. 6th. Liberty and Penn. Ave. Pitt. Pa.  
Dealer.
- 58 Pellerin, Charles 135 Ash St., Lewiston, Maine.  
Collects - W.W.I and II
- 110 Perkins, John M. 5-05 125th St. College Point, N. Y.  
Collects - W.W.I and II
- 25 Perry, Dr. A. E. 314 State St., Albany 6, N. Y.
- 165 Powers, Simon P. 229 Bon View, Ontario, Calif.  
Collects - APO's.
- 156 Puls, Edwin E. 185 Linden Rd. Birmingham, Mich.  
Collects - Patriotics Spanish American and W.W.I, censored and APO #'s.
- 295 Randolph, James 704 Schenck Ave., Brooklyn 7, N. Y.  
Collects - Censored covers W.W.II (no military)
- 37 Rauch, Otto 186 Adams St., Delmar, N. Y.  
Collects - A.E.F. Covers
- 233 Ray, Frank 1400 Bryan St. Old Hickory, Tenn.  
Collects - APO's and censored.
- 168 Risser, Jonas E. D.C. P.O. Box 352, Lancaster Pa.
- 273 Robbs, Peter H. (Capt.) Grendon, Northampton, England.  
Collects - Aerial propaganda leaflets. (exchange correspondence invited)
- 2 Robinson, Herbert K. 315 Mulry Lane, Lawrence, N. Y.  
Collects - All wars, censored, APO's, Navals, POW's, etc.
- 283 Rogan, Kevin P. R.N. Box 90, Napanoch, N. Y.  
Collects - W.W.II U.S. especially (armed forces)
- 186 Rosell, Frank W. 291 Myrtle Ave., Albany 2, N. Y.  
Collects - APO's W.W.II.
- 281 Rosenberg, Ned 1037 Kelly St. Bronx 59, N. Y.  
Collects - censored covers of the occupation.
- 274 Russell, James 2209 Brighton St., Philadelphia, 24, Pa.  
Collects - APO's, Navals, V-mail.
- 276 Russell, Wm. K. 20 So. 12th St. Philadelphia 7, Pa.  
Collects - W.W.I and II, Spanish-American.
- 32 Sanford, Hennen M. 17473 Norton Ave., Lakewood 7, Ohio.  
Collects - World War General I and II.
- 269 Schultz, George J. 6138 Lawndale St. Philadelphia 11, Pa.  
Collects - V-mail, all types, First days.
- 287 Sergeant, Miss Nellie B. 435 W. 119 St. New York City.  
Collects - Greeting cards from service men.
- 203 Shellhammer, Robert H. 910 Clark Bldg., Pittsburgh 22, Pa.  
Collects - W.W.II, APO, Naval, camp, censored.
- 288 Shirk, George H. 1108 Colcord Bldg. Oklahoma City, Okla.  
Collects - ETO APO's during W.W.II.
- 114 Sickel, Arthur M. 317 Delaware St. Leavenworth, Kans.  
Collects - W.W. II
- 284 Simon, Sam 558 West. 164th. St. New York 32, N. Y.  
Collects - German concentration camp covers.
- 294 Smith, Peter A.S. 615 Oswego St., Ann Arbor, Mich.  
Collects - All wars but especially 19th. Cent. & Mediterranean Area.
- 72 Stringham, Orville L. 1403 Chenango St. Binghamton, N. Y.  
Collects - All censored.

- 264 Strouse, Earl H. 550 Willow St. Pottstown, Pa.  
Collects - U. S. Govt. penalty env's., cards, and labels.
- 286 Tocila, R. Linnaeuskade 57, hs Amsterdam - O, Holland.  
Collects - All war covers.
- 234 Thomas, Jesse B. 31 North St., Georgetown, Mass.
- 256 Treichler, Warren H. Route 1, Box 57, Fogelsville, Pa.  
Collects - censored, Maritime, APO and navals.
- 41 Tripp, Almon J. 16533 Mendota Ave., Detroit 21, Mich.  
Collects - W.W.II (Army and Navy)
- 171 Tuttle, Col. Lowell H. 9424 Longwood Drive, Chicago 20, Ill.  
Collects - APO's.
- 180 Uhrig, Carl S. 20 So. Church St. Pittsfield, Mass.  
Collects - Cens. covers entire world W.W. II only.
- 228 Vacura, Harold J. (Capt.) Hq. Co. 5th. Army, 5020 S. Cornell Ave. Chicago 15, Ill.  
Collects - APO's.
- 289 Weinert, Charles W. 806 Eaton Rd. Drexel Hill, Pa.  
Collects - U.S. and foreign war covers.
- 242 Wheat, J. C. 2222 Carroll Park, Bay City, Mich.  
Collects - Censor markings, all wars.
- 220 Wettach, George H. 243 N. 19th. St. East Orange, N. J.  
Collects - W.W. II, mostly.
- 213 Willson, Thomas E. 20 Union Sq. New York 3, N. Y.  
Collects - APO's, Army Camps, Naval Shore Stations.
- 247 Willinger, Isadore 314 E. 163d. St. Bronx 56, N. Y.  
Collects - APO's.
- 135 Woodbury, Bruce E. Route 2, Box 310, Wilmington, N. C.  
Collects - A.P.O's.

Prices realized at the W.CC Auction #3, June 25, 1949

1. .50	25. 2.00	51. 1.25	
2. .50	26. 1.50	52. 1.00	
3. .50	27. 3.20	53. Returned	
4. .50	28. 1.25	54. 1.00	
5. .50	29. 1.00	55. .75	76. 2.00
6. 1.00	30. 1.30	56. .85	77. 2.00
7. 1.00	31. 1.60	57. .75	78. 1.25
8. 1.00	32. 1.00	58. .75	79. .75
9. 1.10	33. 1.00	59. 1.10	80. .75
10. 1.25	34. 1.00	60. 2.10	81. 1.25
11. 1.50	35. 1.30	61. .75	82. .75
12. 1.25	36. 1.30	62. Returned	83. 1.00
13. 1.10	37. 1.75	63. 1.00	84. 1.00
14. 1.10	38. 1.00	64. 1.25	85. 1.50
15. 1.10	39. 1.00	65. .50	86. 1.00
16. 1.10	40. 1.75	66. .75	87. 1.25
17. 1.10	41. 1.75	67. 1.25	88. 1.25
18. 1.10	42. 1.00	68. 1.00	89. 1.25
19. 1.35	43. 1.50	69. 1.75	90. 1.00
20. 2.10	44. 1.50	70. Returned	
21. 2.60	45. 4.35	71. .75	
22. 1.25	46. 1.25	72. Returned	
23. 1.10	47. 1.00	73. "	
24. 1.10	48. 1.00	74. "	
	49. 1.00	75. 1.25	
	50. 1.00		