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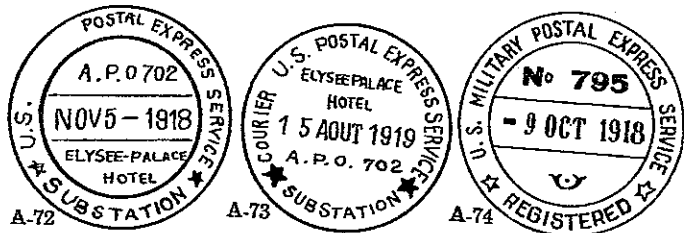
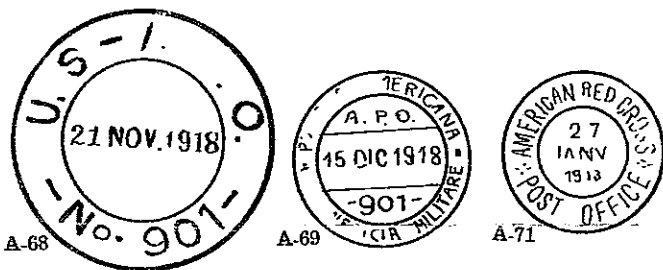
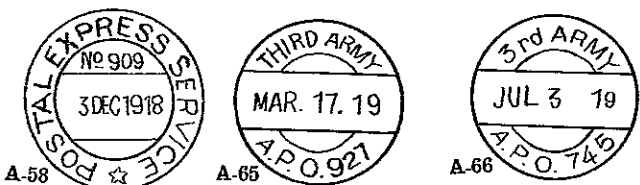
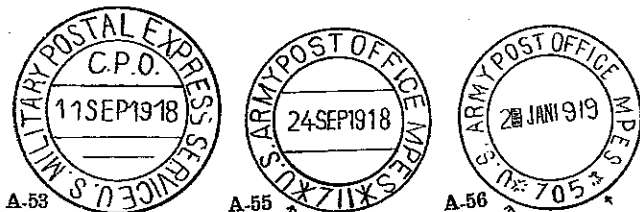
*Italo-Ethiopian War Covers (1935)*

# WAR COVER CLUB

U.S. WORLD-WAR POSTMARK HISTORY  
by DELF NORONA  
Moundsville, W. Va.

# STRAIGHT - LINE POSTMARKS 1856-1937

by WILLIAM EVANS, M.D.



- A-53 Early 11 Sep., 1918. Similar to A-51; outer circle 35mm. Nos: 731A and CPO.
- A-55 Early Sep. 24, 1918. U.S. ARMY POST OFFICE MPES. Ornaments: 3 crossed lines. Common. Nos: 711, 734, 746, 780, 785.
- A-56 Early Oct. 26, 1918. Same as A-55 but ornaments "cross-roads." Nos: 704, 705, 762, 763.
- A-58 Early Dec. 3, 1918. POSTAL EXPRESS SERVICE. Common. Nos: 905, 909, 918, 919, 927, 928, 933, 937, 939, 942, 943, 944, 975.
- A-65 Early Mar. 17, 1919. Common. THIRD ARMY. Nos: 710, 734, 740, 746, 754, 792, 927, 930.
- A-66 Jul. 3, 1919. Same as A-65, but "3rd ARMY". No: 745. (D.N.)
- A-68 Nov. 21, 1918. A.P.O. No. 901 (D.N.)
- A-69\* Dec. 15, 1918. A.P.O. No. 901 (D.N.)
- A-71 Jan. 21, 1919
- A-72\*, A-73\*, A-74\* (Reported by H.A. Coleman).

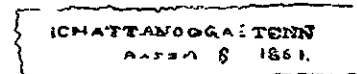
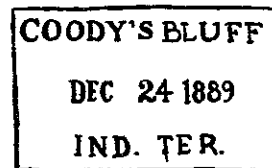
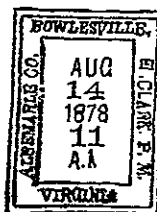
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BRASHER IRON WORKS	X	1879?	Purple
BRIDGEPORT-date-ALABAMA	X	1890	Blue
Bridgton Maine - date	X	1898	?
BUDA, NEB.	S	1885	Black
Bucktooth, N.Y. - date (Ms)	S	1857?	Black
CAMAS, IDAHO, -date-Bingham County	S	1892	Black
A. J. IAKIN, P.M. - CARSON-Sully Co. So. Dakota	S		Purple
CHATTANOOGA TENN - Date	DR	1861-4	Black
CHARLOTTEVILLE date	S	1861?	Black
CLARKSVILLE-date-CAL.	X	1888	Magenta
CLARKSDALE MISS -date-ANNA DURHAM, P.M.	S	1881	Purple
Clatonia, NEB - date	S	1893	Blue
CLIFTON-date-MASS	DC	1361?	Black
CLIFTON-date-NEV. TER.	DC	1861-4	Black
COMER O.	S	1861?	Purple
CONCORD N.C. - date	S	1856	Black
CORAVILLE-K.T. - Date	S	1857?	Black
GOODY'S BLUFF-date-IND. TER.	DR	1889	Black
CRETE-date-ILL.	S	1834	Blue
Cumberland, Me	S		Black
CURTIS-date-LA	DC	1924	Magenta
C.&P.R.R. -date-DANVILLE STATION	DK	1878	Black
DENNIS, MA	S	1882?	Black
EAGLE PASS TEXAS	S	1883?	



Station 6

FOWLERTON,  
DEC 7 1911  
LA SALLE CO. TEXAS.

EAGLE PASS TEXAS.

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The American Cover Club  
Board of Review

by John J. Haag, Secretary

The American Cover Club Board of Review has made their final selections of 1937 with the December results.

An ultramarine embossed cachet, sponsored by the A.N.C.S. Argonauts, on Dec. 15, for the first day in commission of the U.S. Submarine Snapper was selected the best Naval cachet of the month.

New York and New Jersey were once more connected by a tunnel under the Hudson River when the Lincoln Tunnel was dedicated on Dec. 21. Frederick J. Bergmann, Jr., Finance Commissioner of Weehawken, N.J., sponsored an attractive blue and red cachet which, in the Current Historical group, was selected the best.

Leonard Gilman has been sponsoring a series of cachets for the Constitution Sesquicentennial. In Dec. his design used from Dover, Del., on Dec. 7, and also from Philadelphia, Pa., on Dec. 12, and Trenton, N.J., on Dec. 18, with different wordings, and bi-colored, was selected as the best Commemorative Historical.

The 10th Annual All America Air Maneuvers were held at Miami, Fla., from Dec. 2 to 5. The Chamber of Commerce sponsored a blue and red cachet for this event which finished first in the Air Event group.

A black and green printed sticker cachet was issued by the Melbourne, Fla., Chamber of Commerce, on Dec. 7, for the dedication of the Melbourne-Bau Gallie Airport. Selected as the best Airport Dedication of the month, the cover illustrated shows the cachet although not mailed on the proper date. I was not fortunate enough to receive one on Dec. 7.

The last classification, First Day Covers, finds John C. Sidenius again winning out with his blue and green embossed cachet from Charlotte Amalie, V.I., on Dec. 15.

The board is now voting on the results of each month of 1937, and as soon as they select the best from each of the six groups the results will be published.

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(See next column)

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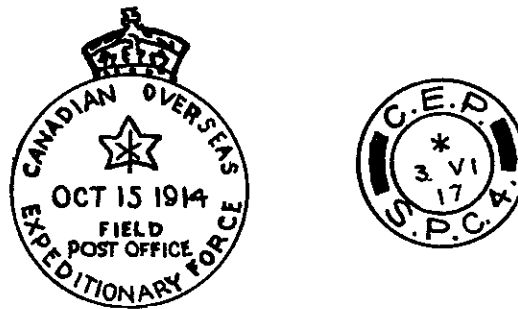
CANADIAN AND PORTUGUESE MARKINGS

One of the most elusive of War postmarks is that used by the Canadian Expeditionary Forces during the World War. The writer does not possess one in his own collection, but has seen two different types on pieces: One with metal handstamp, and the other with rubber handstamp. The illustration is taken from the British stamp paper, "Stamp Collecting," for October 24th, 1914. Evidently this paper illustrated War markings from time to time; have any of the readers a copy of this marking in their collections? The writer has several covers sent by Canadian soldiers bearing rubber stamps used in Orderly Rooms of the various divisions; also the letters "C", "P", and "X" used in conjunction with the familiar British type of Field Post Office cancel. These are shown here, together with the distinctive Canadian marking.

Until recently the writer had only seen illustrations of Portuguese military postmarks. The first of these shown here reads "C.E.P." across the top, and "S.P.C. 4" across the bottom; the former stands for "Portuguese Expeditionary Force", and the latter "Military Postal Sector 4." This type of marking was used by the Portuguese forces in France. Other numbers noted are 3, 5, and 7. The next marking was used by the first Portuguese Division on maneuvers in Portugal, itself. There is another type that was used by the expeditionary force that was sent to Mozambique, Portuguese East Africa. Another cancel noted that was used by this force is the customary octagon marking in general use in Mozambique, but the town name is "Kionga", which was captured German territory. Finally, there is shown a marking that is closely connected with Portuguese Africa. It is from the "British Concession, Chinde", and was mailed by a British soldier from Chinde, a Portuguese port, who was attached to the Nyassaland Field Force.

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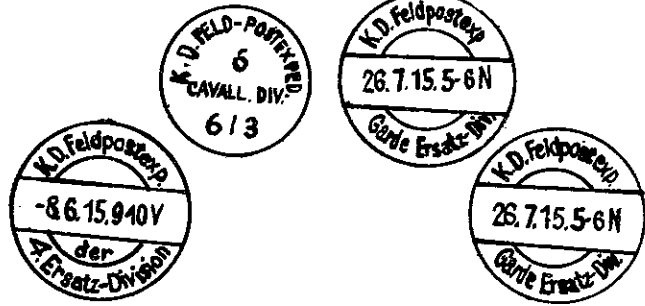


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## GERMAN WAR COVERS

This month we turn back to German military postmarks. The illustrations here are from the collection of Mr. Zirckenback, whose material has been shown here before, augmented by a few from the writer's collection.

As has been said before, German military cancellations are very attractive. The writer does not recall ever seeing a German field post marking, etc., which is not readable. In comparing them with our A.E.F. postmark, the latter suffer by comparison. A great many of the army post offices of the United States in France are undecipherable, due to poor handling. In addition to the fact that the German markings are very clear, there is a never ending supply of different types of postmarks. Some of them are shown here.



Each infantry division was furnished one or more cancellers. The first style reading "K. D. Feld-Post-Exped." is the same style that was used by Germany during the Franco-Prussian War, 1870-71; however, this one is from the World War. The number of German infantry divisions used in the World War were tremendous, so a great many different infantry postmarks must exist. In addition to these, many have been noted with the letters "a" or "b" in the lower half of the ellipse in the "bridge" type postmarks, denoting sub-offices. One of these is shown here.

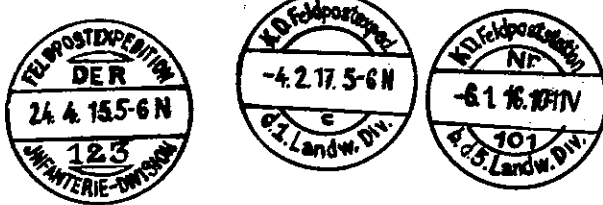
Also shown are postmarks used by Landwehr divisions, which roughly correspond to our national guard in character. There is also a postmark ready "Ersatz Division", or replacement division. A very interesting one is the 6th Cavalry Division field postmark. It is doubtful if any of the other combatants had a postal corps specially for this branch of the service.

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PRE-STAMP BELGIAN MARKINGS  
EARLY WARS

H. G. Green in London Philatelist, May 1936

## AUSTRIAN OCCUPATION 1714-1793

1786

ANTWERPEN

ATH

LIERRE

1768



1771



1776



## FRENCH OCCUPATION 1793-1814

1793

86  
BINCH

1794

91  
BRUGES

92  
GAND

93  
ANVERS

95  
MAESTRICH

96  
LIEGE

97  
NAMUR

BINCH  
FRANCO

P93P  
ANVERS

D94B  
BRUXELLES.

94  
BRUXELLES

P P  
OSTENDE

98  
ARLON

LPB2R

## DUTCH OCCUPATION 1814-1830

(Courtrai)  
KORTRYK

(Liege)  
LUIK or LUYK

(Namur)  
NAMEN

(Bruxelles)  
BRUSSEL

(Louvain)  
LEUVEN

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GENEVA C  
SE-T 10 89

GREENFIELD, TENN.  
AUG 1 1899

CROOM, TEXAS.

FEB 7 1916

HUDSON  
MASS  
MAY 10

HASBROUCK HEIGHTS  
JAN 16 1896  
BERGEN CO., N. J.

HASTINGS, OSWEGO, CO. Y

HOLLY WICH.  
JUL 26 1880  
HOLLY WICH.



# WAR COVER CLUB

## ITALIAN NAVAL WAR COVERS

This month we turn to another interesting phase of War cover collecting - that of naval war covers. Italian naval cancellations used during the World War are quite scarce. Many of the postmarks are used on special stationery of the ship, some on cards printed for the use of the fleet in general, and others are on ordinary cards and covers. Each cover bears the ship's postmark, and the censor marking used on board the ship. An example of the censor marking is shown in the illustration of the postmark and censor marking of the "Leonardo da Vinci."



VERIFICATO PER LA CENSOR.  
dal Combado  
DELLA R. N. LEONARDO DA VINCI

The postmark used by the "Leonardo da Vinci" is particularly interesting. In looking over a list of serious ammunition explosions aboard warships of various countries, the writer came across the following: "Leonardo da Vinci, Italian Dreadnaught, explosion occurred August 2, 1916, 203 members of the crew killed." Whether the ship sunk is not clear, as nothing in the listing tells of this. The date in the cancellation, inverted, shows that less than one month after date an explosion occurred on this ship which snuffed out the lives of 203 members of the crew, possibly the writer of the card was amongst those killed.

Shown here also are a few of the various styles of postmarks used by the Italian navy during the War. The letters "C.T.", and "R.C.T." probably stand for abbreviation of types of vessels. The writer takes these mentioned to be torpedo boats. In the cancellation of the "Guglielmo Pepe", the word "Esploratore" the writer takes to be "Destroyer". If any of the readers can read Italian, the writer would like to know if this is the correct translation.



Present day Italian naval cancellations are very scarce, due to the fact that they only use postmarks when away from home; while at home they use the regular mail channels, and the mail is cancelled on shore. Of the Post-War Italian naval cancels, the writer has only a few.



# TERRITORIAL DATA

By H. T. Darlington

## MONTANA

*Helena W.C. Co. BZ*

Ms. Cancel on 3¢-'61 envelope



On 3¢ green



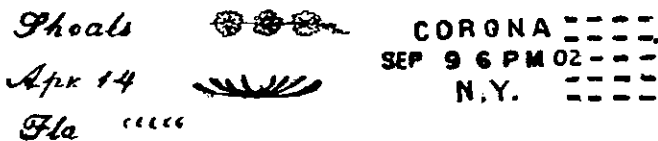
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R.P.O. - both towns in Montana

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Purple, on 1917 2¢  
E.W. Monroe, Jr.

On 1889 2¢  
F. Lightfoot

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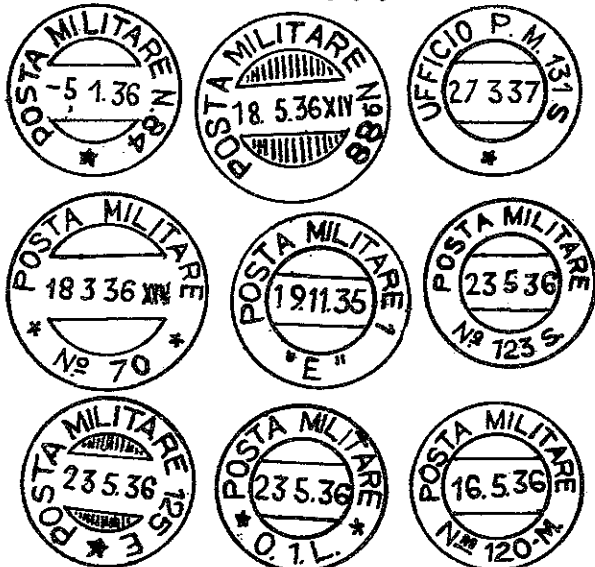
ITALO-ETHIOPIAN WAR COVERS  
by M. Hertzberg

This war was the first that the writer had a chance to obtain covers first-hand. A supply of stamps was obtained from Eritrea, and thus a start was made toward adding these covers to the collection.

There were quite a number of different types of postmarks used by these Italian field post offices. First shown are those of the troop concentration points for the attack on Ethiopia: Asmara, Eritrea and Mogadiscio, Italian Somaliland. The abbreviation "Concentr. Suss. P.M." stands for the "Concentration Camp Military Post Office". These offices probably handled the mail to and from the soldiers in the field.



Next shown are some of the Fieldpost cancels employed. It is interesting to note the figures XIV in two of them. This refers to the fourteenth year of the Fascist State. F.P.O. 12 has the inscription "Sezione A". According to our Italian correspondent, this refers to the moneyorder service; this has been noted with "Sezione B", also. In 125E, O.L.L., 120-M and 123 S, the letters stand for Eritrea, Libya, Massaua and Somaliland respectively. The authority is our correspondent, who works for the Italian P.O.D.

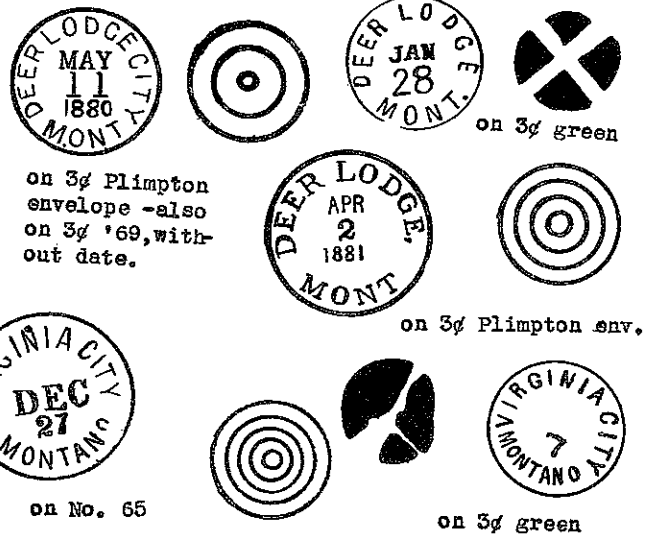


Of all the covers noted, but one bears a censor marking.

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MONTANA



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PAPINEAU, ILL.  
NOV 24 1882  
IROQUOIS CO.



Above: on 3¢ green  
Below: on 2¢ Tri. III  
G. Turner

PLAINFIELD, N.J. MAY 19 9 30AM-99

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TYPE CHART FOR LISTING  
U. S. WORLD WAR POSTMARKS

A Classification System for listing U.S. World War postmarks has been officially adopted by the War Cover Club. A copy of the type chart, just published, together with a specimen copy of the official organ of the club, may be obtained from its editor, Delf Norona, Moundsville, W. Va., for 10 cents.

The War Cover Club recently elected as its officers for 1938-39: Milton B. Hunt, President; Rev. H. K. Robinson, Vice-President; and Maxwell Halpern, 1351 Noble Ave., New York City, Secretary-Treasurer.

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A copy of the above mentioned Classification System has reached the desk of the writer. The general headings for classification are (1) U.S. designs, rubber stamps; (2) U.S. designs, steel handstamps; (3) Machine cancellations; (4) European types, circular designs. Under these headings fall the various individual types of cancels used. Each type is illustrated, and thus arranging the collection according to these classifications is made simple. This system is one that has been long needed to help the collector of War Covers collect intelligently. Dr. Coleman's system of classification was inadequate, for it did not go into detail. Now all this has been remedied.

The writer noticed several types of postmarks illustrated that he had never seen before, although he collected these interesting items for a number of years. Mr. Norona has studied the field thoroughly, and knows whereof he speaks.

M. Hertzberg

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IOWA CENTER  
MAY 11 1881  
IOWA

LAKIN, KAN.

LOGAN,  
OCT 12 1885

LA SALLE NY  
MAR 10 83

KANS

MOHICAN OHIO  
FEB. 7 '82

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MONTANA



Black and purple  
on 3¢ greens.



1882

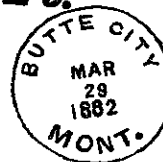


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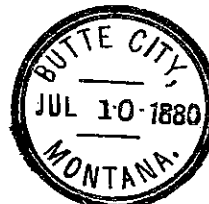
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On No. 207



On Plimpton envelope



1883

## MARKINGS

on  
CIVIL WAR ISSUES



On No. 65

On No. 65,  
Elizabeth, N.J.



On No. 94



New Bedford, Mass., 1866  
Both on same cover.  
Fred S. Lightfoot



October, 1938



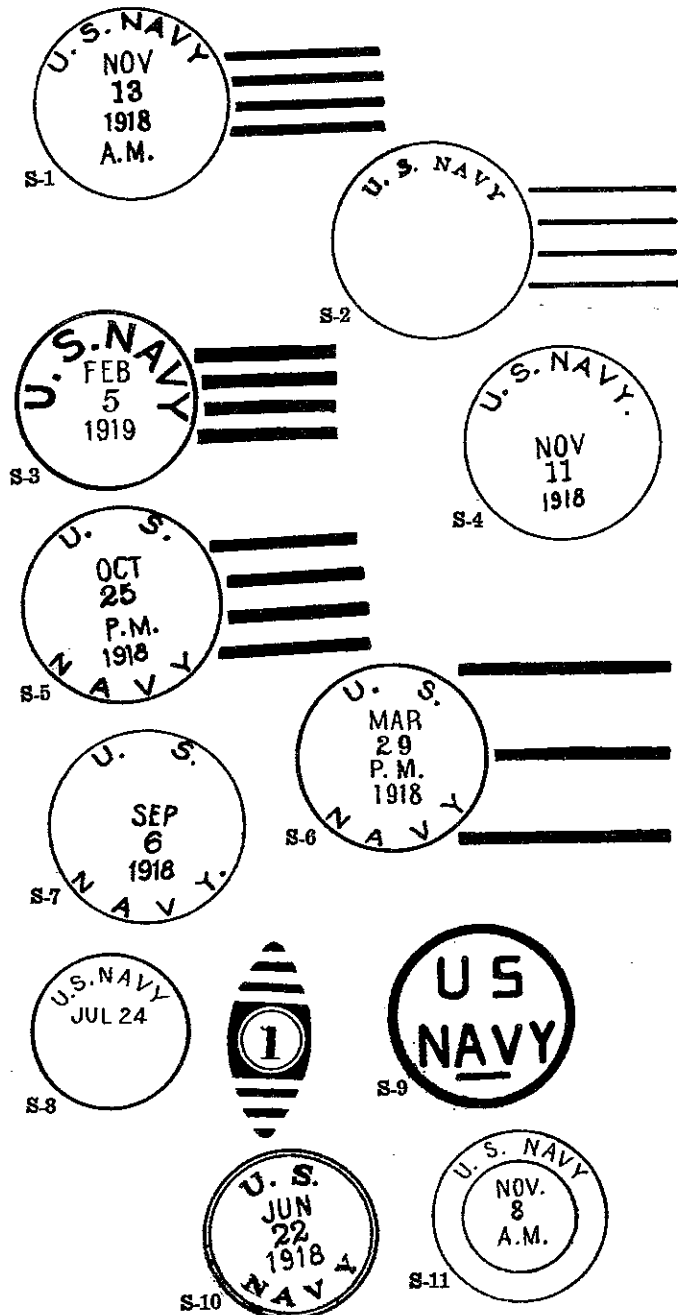
## WAR COVERS

WORLD WAR NAVAL "LOCATION" MARKS  
by Delf Norona

As part of the project undertaken by the War Cover Club of classifying U.S. World War postmarks, there is presented "location" marks used on board U.S. Naval vessels during the period Jan. 1, 1917 to Dec. 31, 1919. Shore stations are not included in this list; nor are received, registered nor other subsidiary markings included.

S-1 to S-11 have U.S. NAVY in place of ship's name; S-2 (U.S.S. Leviathan), serifs; S-3 (U.S.S. Von Steuben) oversize letters; S-4, bars removed; S-5 to S-7 U.S. above, NAVY below; S-7, bars removed.

(Illustrations below,  
both text and illustrations  
to be continued)



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HARRISON; Miss. MA 2518S1

Magenta, on No. 158.

CHARLOTTESVILLE Sept 15

On No. 63. Coll. of S. Richey

Town Mark reads:	Date	Color
EASTON, PA. date, hour, 99	C 1899	Black
Edmonton, O Ms date	C	Black on '61
JAS. BELL, JR. P.M. EXPERIMENT MILLS P.O. Monroe Co., Pa	X	Black on '61
FAIRMOUNT-MASS-date 1860	C 1860	Black
FAIR POINT-Date	C	Black
FAIRVIEW-FULTON CO.-date 1882-ILLINOIS	DK 1882	Magenta
FOREST CITY-date 1881-CALIFORNIA	C 1881	Magenta
FORT RENO-date 1888-IND. TER.	DK 1888	Black
FOUNTAIN CITY, IND.-date	C	Black on '70
FOWLERTON-date 1911		
LASALLE CO.-TEXAS	C 1911	Black
FRALEY, N.MEX.-date 1896	C 1896	Black

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### ALABAMA

CENTRE, ALA. James H. Noyes, P.M.	1879	Blue	DC
CENTRE, ALA. John W. Regan, P.M.	1882		DC
CHULAFINNEE, ALA. S.A. Stewart, P.M.	1883	Blue	DC
COURTLAND, ALA. A.D. Simmons, P.M.	1890		C
DAYTON, ALA. H.W. Morgan, P.M.	1884		DC
DOLOMITE/JEFF. CO. ALA.	1890		C
Same	1891		DC
DOTHEN, Henry Co., Ala.	1884		DOF
HERALDINE, DE KALB CO., Ala.	1891		C
HACKNEYVILLE/ALA/W?D?GOSPER, P.M.	1888		C
JASPER, ALA./CORRECT/SAM T. SHIELDS, P.M.	1881		O

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## WAR COVERS

WORLD WAR NAVAL "LOCATION" MARKS

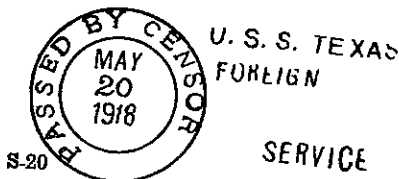
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S-19 is oversize: S-20 is the only location mark combined with censor marking. Several censor marks combined with ship names exist, but, other than S-20, they are separately struck from the ship's "townmark".



S-19



S-20



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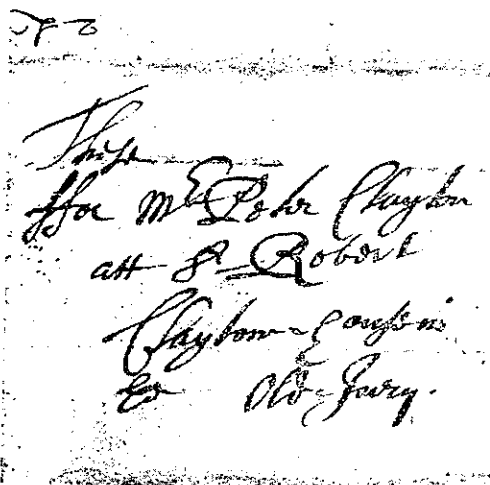
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### ALABAMA (Cont.)

JENIFER/TALLADEGA CO./ALA	1884	O
C.S.AGEE, P.M./LINDEN, ALA	1882	Purple K
LOCKVILLE/Monroe Co./ala.	1890-4	CF
McIntosh Bluff, Washington Co. Ala	1892	Blue DC
MAUD, ALA/John W. Bishop, P.M.	1883	DC
MIDWAY, BULLOCK CO./D.N.CATLEDGE, P.M.	1889	CF
MONTEVALLO ALA/EPW?NORTH, P.M.	1882	DC
PLEASANT GAP, ALA./JNO.T.STOCKS, P.M.	1887	O
ROSINTON, BALDWIN CO./H.H.Cooper, P.M./ALABAMA	1890	CF

This completes the listing for Alabama. Illustrations have appeared in three previous issues. We will appreciate tracings and listings of Alabama - and other - County and Postmaster markings that are incompletely listed here.



ORIGINAL DOCKWRA: 1682 E.L. with THE FIRST RECORDED ORIGINAL DOCKWRA "PENNY POST PAID" to be found outside the British Museum. The impression is \*\* and an additional factor to its rarity is that the centre letter is T (for Temple)—THE ONLY KNOWN EXAMPLE OF THE DOCKWRA PERIOD. The latest known original Dockwra recorded by E. S. Gladstone is May 22nd, 1682, so that this example is now the latest on record. In addition to the penny stamp is a heart-shaped time-mark, \*\*. This is the third known copy of the first type and the only known copy of the "Af 6". The letter is clearly dated 27th June, 1682, and it is confirmed by a manuscript note made by the recipient. This cover is the most outstanding of postal history interest that has ever been offered for sale

We reproduce the photo and text from Robson Lowe's catalogue. The price reached in auction was \$650, and there is no decimal point omitted! The Original Dockwra post, it will be remembered, was stopped by the courts after a few months operation: hence the rarity of such items.

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