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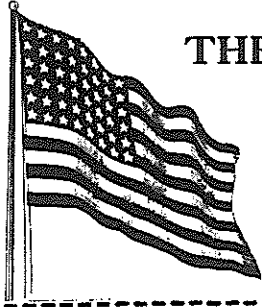
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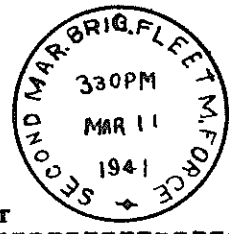


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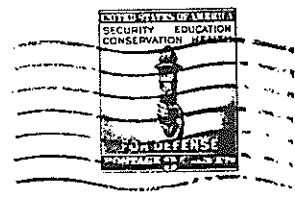
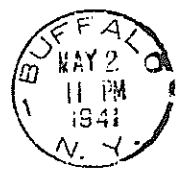
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CURRENT U.S. DEFENSE PATRIOTIC COVERS

Many varieties of patriotic covers are now being used, some with plain flags as illustrated above, others of a more elaborate nature as shown below. Go after them now. They will



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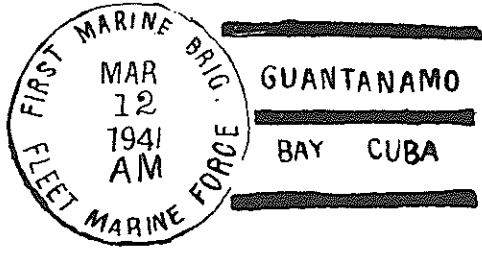
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be as eagerly sought after in years to come as similar items of past wars are today. Mr. V.A. Norman suggests that we make it a point of using patriotics when writing each other--an excellent suggestion.

U.S. SECOND WORLD WAR "CAMP AND FORT" POSTMARKS

With this issue we commence a check-list of post offices of this nature, compiled from post office records. The postmarks actually used, however, may vary from those indicated by the name of the branch or station.

Also, when a change is made in the designation of an office the old postmarking stamp showing the obsolete name may still be continued in use for an indefinite period. For instance, postmarks are shown on this page used by the FIRST MARINE BRIGADE and SECOND MARINE BRIGADE on Mar. 11th and 12th. From the Feb. 25th and Apr. 18th issues of the Postal Bulletin it will be noted they were renamed FIRST MARINE DIVISION and SECOND MARINE DIVISION branches, effective Feb. 1st, but the old postmarking stamps have been continued in use for many weeks thereafter.



 THE WAR COVER CLUB

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- 57 D.C.Bartley, 6035-8th Ave., N.E., Seattle, Wash.
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 59 Emil J. Michaelson, 42 Martin Pl., Irvington, N.J.
 60 Lieut.Col. John G.Knauer, 817 Whittier Pl. Washington, D.C.
 61 A.A.Wassercheid, 72 Gold St., New York, N.Y.
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 63 Dave Hahn, 5509 Bartlett St., Pittsburgh, Pa.
 64 Dr.Clarence Heman, 841 East 63rd St., Chicago, Ill.
 65 Geo.D.Kingdon, Conneaut, Ohio
 66 Affie McVicker, 58 West 58th St., New York City.

Member No.50, Frank L. Stultz, has been inducted into the army through the Selective Service Act. By vote of the Board he is retained as a member without payment of dues.

At the Annual Meeting at Cleveland the following officers were elected for 1941-42: H.M.Sanford, President; Eugene Carey, Vice-President; J.Paul Klinger, 31 Hastings Avenue, South Ardmore, Pa., Secretary-Treasurer; Messrs. M.B.Hunt, Maxwell Halpern, Malcolm Perkins, Delf Norona, Geo.C.Hahn, and J.T.Buckner, Directors. The War Cover Philatelist and the War Cover Club Bulletin were adopted as official organs. Members have been advised of the convention's proceedings through the Bulletin, and of the new By-Laws.

A special "social" meeting of the Club was held at New York on May 11th in connection with the BIPEX exhibition. Another will be held at Baltimore in connection with the A.P.S. Convention in August, at which war cover exhibits will be included. Your Editor has undertaken the formation of an A.P.S. War Cover Club Unit.

A club Sales Department under direction of Geo.C.Hahn, 835 Williamson Bldg., Cleveland, O., is now in operation. It is conducted for the benefit of members, so patronize it.

Copies of this issue are being sent to numerous collectors. You are invited to subscribe to the WAR COVER PHILATELIST; better still, join the War Cover Club. A membership blank and prospectus is included with this issue. If already a member, use the blank to secure a new member.

We must have more advertising and a larger subscription list to justify an increase in the size of this publication. Eight Dollar ads will pay for the cost of an extra four pages. Will you help with an ad and by securing a new member?

Considerable interest is being taken in current U.S. patriotic and propaganda covers as well as covers from camps and forts. The check-list of new camps and forts will be useful for those wishing to secure postmarks of camps and forts.

Our next issue will be devoted to Naval postmarks. It will probably include a Type Chart devoted to World War Naval postmarks and a check-list of new naval postmarks.

Many interesting War Cover articles are appearing in STAMPS magazine, and readers are invited to subscribe to it.

EXCHANGE: Currant patriotic covers mailed from Army Training Camps, Naval Stations, &c. Mail one from your nearest camp; I will return one from Camp Blanding, Fla.
 V.A.Norman, 1911 Arcadia, Pl., Jacksonville, Fla.

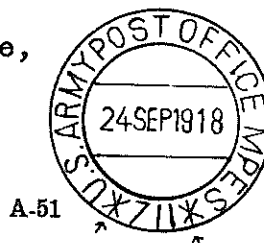
I WANT TO BUY OR EXCHANGE: World War 2nd covers, also AEF. covers (particularly Blue Envelopes.) Eugene Carey, Iron River Natl.Bank Bldg., Iron River, Mich.

A.E.F. TYPE A-51 POSTMARKS

This type of postmark, of French manufacture, differs from Type A-52 in the ornaments on either side of the A.P.O. number. Impressions are usually quite legible.

Earliest known use: 21 SEP 1918 (APO 711)

Latest known use: 23 JUN 1919 (APO 785)



APO 709 (26th Division)
Early 23 SEP 1918 (H.Artist)
Late 22 MAR 1919 Many intermediate dates.

APO 711 (Coetquidan, Morbihan)
Early 21 SEP 1918 Many intermediate dates.
Late 25 MAR 1919

APO 713 (Gievres)
Early 10 OCT 1918 Several intermediate dates.
Late 15 NOV 1918

APO 714 (Langres)
Early -4 DEC 1918 (A.E.Perry) Only specimen seen.

APO 723 (Clermont-Ferrand)
Early 29 DEC 1918 Two intermediate dates.
Late 22 AVR 1919

APO 724 (Issodun)
Early 19 DEC 1918 Many intermediate dates.
Late 21 AVR 1919

APO 726 (Blois)
Early -4 NOV 1918 Only specimens seen.
Late 13 NOV 1918

APO 727 (41st Division)
Early 25 NOV 1918 Only specimen seen.

APO 730 (Chatillon-sur-Seine)
Early 6 NOV 1918 Many intermediate dates.
Late 27 MAI 1919

APO 732 (Vittel, Vosges)
Early 19 NOV 1918 Only specimen seen.

APO 733 (Angers, Maine-et-Loire)
Early 29 NOV 1918 Only specimens seen.
Late 30 AVR 1919

APO 734 (32nd Division)
Early 14 JAN 1919 Many intermediate dates.
Late 12 MAR 1919 (J.M.Perkins)

APO 736 (Aix-les-Bains, Savoie)
Early 9 JAN 1919 Several intermediate dates.
Late 16 MAR 1919

APO 737 (Cosne, Nièvre)
Early date illegible (G.Wedell) Only specimen seen.

APO 740 (3rd Division)
Early 1 DEC 1918 Only specimens seen.
Late 13 DEC 1918 (J.M.Perkins)

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WANTED: The following A.E.F. A.P.O. numbers (any type):
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Hospital Center, Savenay
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A E.F. VIA NEW YORK
C-13

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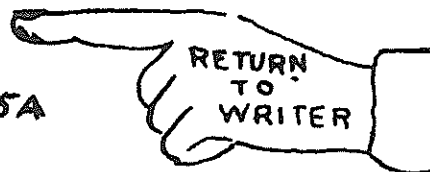
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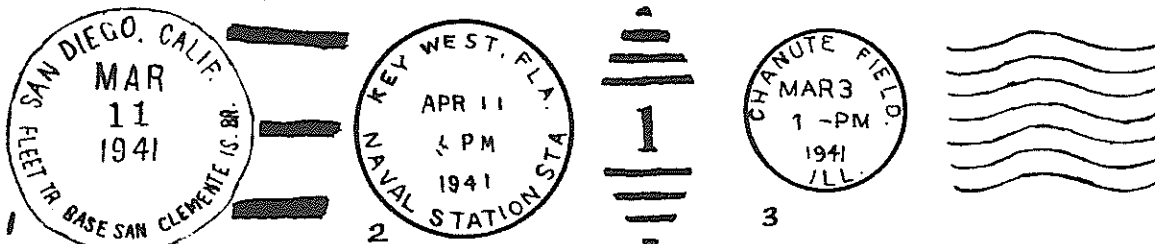
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 U.S. MILITARY POSTAL STATIONS AND BRANCHES (INCLUDING MARINE
 CORPS, NAVAL SHORE AND "INDEFINITE" STATIONS AND BRANCHES)
 ESTABLISHED FROM JULY 1, 1940, TO APRIL 30, 1941

This list, compiled from the daily Postal Bulletin, does not include naval vessels, although many of the "indefinites" are undoubtedly located on naval vessels.

For a complete list of these offices as of July 1, 1940, reference may be made to the latest complete U.S. Official Postal Guide (July, 1939, Part 2) to which should be added the following established between July, 1939, and July, 1940:



ESTABLISHED:

Alaska: U.S. Naval Air Sta. Kodiak

Calif: Fleet Training Base, San Clemente Island Br. San Diego
 (Figure 1)

Canal Zone: Albrook Field

Florida: MacDill Field Br. Tampa
 Naval Station Sta. Key West (Figure 2)

Illinois: Chanute Field Br. Rantoul (Figure 3)

Scott Field Br. Belleville

Naval Hospital Br. Waukegan (Re-est.)

New York: First Defense Battalion, Fleet Marine Force Br. N.Y.

Torpedo Squadron Six Br. N.Y.

VF Squadron 7 Br. N.Y.

North Carolina: Hospital Br. Morganton

Puerto Rico: Naval Air Station Sta. San Juan

Borinquen Field Br. San Juan

South Carolina: Camp Jackson Br. Columbia

CHANGES:

Alaska: Fleet Air Base Br. Sitka chgd. to Naval Air Sta. Br.

Calif: Fleet Air Base Sta. San Pedro chgd. to Naval Air Sta. Sta.

Hawaii: Fleet Air Base & Attached Squadrons, Pearl Harbor Br.

Honolulu chgd. to Naval Air Station, Pearl Harbor Br.

Luke Field Br. Honolulu chgd. to Hickam Field Br.

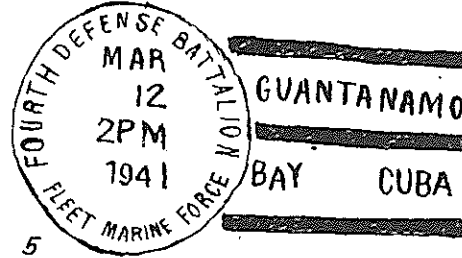
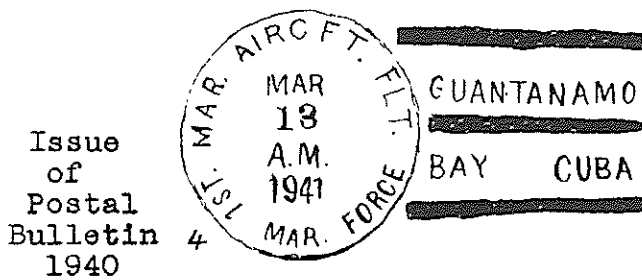
DISCONTINUED:

New York: Bombing Squadron Four Br. N.Y.

The effective dates given below do not necessarily indicate the dates on which offices were actually opened and postmarking of mail begun. (For further remarks see the title page of this issue.)

 FOR NEW U.S. Military and Naval Cancellations, such as Camps, Forts, Naval Vessels, &c., send self-addressed, unsealed 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ envelopes, franked with first-class postage plus 1 cent per cover (no stamps) to George C. Hahn, 835 Williamson Bldg., Cleveland, Ohio. No special requests can be honored and sender must assume all risks

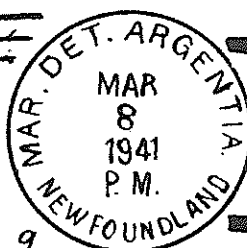
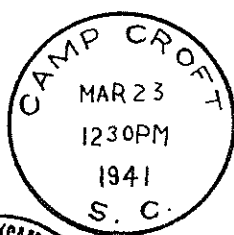
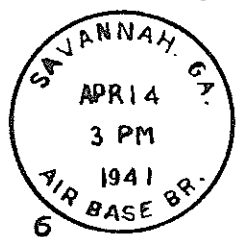
 Abbreviations: Br.-Branch; Chgd.-Changed; Disc.-Discontinued
 Eff.-Effective; Est.-Established; Sta.-Station.



- Jul 9 Est.Second Defense Battalion Fleet Marine Force Br.N.Y.
 Eff.Jul.22
 " 10 Est.Submarine Squadron Two Br.N.Y. Eff.Jul.22
 " 17 Est.Patrol Wing One Br.N.Y. Eff.Jul.15
 " 31 Est.Scouting Squadron Five Br.N.Y. Eff.Aug.22
 Aug 8 Disc.Navy Purchasing & Disbursing Office, Shanghai,
 China, Br.N.Y. Eff.Aug.17
 " 8 Est.Naval Sta.Tutuila, Samoa, Pago Pago, Samoa. Eff.Sep.15
 " 14 Re-est.Submarine Division 10 Br.N.Y. Eff.Sep.14
 " 19 Est.Patrol Wing Four N.Y. Eff.Sep.5
 " 21 Designation of Camp Jackson Br.Columbia, S.C. chgd. to
 Ft.Jackson Br. Eff.Aug.15
 " 21 Designation of Camp Custer Br.Battle Creek, Mich. chgd.
 to Ft.Custer Br. Eff.Aug.15
 " 28 Est.U.S.Naval Reserve Midshipmen's School Br.N.Y.
 Eff.Sep.9
 Sep10 Est.First Marine Aircraft Group Fleet Marine Force Br.
 N.Y. Eff.Sep.20 (Figure 4)
 " 12 Est.Fourth Defense Battalion, Fleet Marine Force Br.N.Y.
 Eff.Sep.27 (Figure 5)
 Oct11 Est.U.S.Naval Mobile Base Hosp.No.1, Br.N.Y. Eff.Oct.5
 " 15 Est.Camp Blanding Br.Starke, Fla. Eff.Oct.16
 " 22 Est.Ft.Monmouth Br.Red Bank, N.Y. Eff.Oct.21
 " 22 Est.Camp Shelby Br.Hattiesburg, Miss. Eff.Oct.22
 " 29 Est.Ft.Ord Br.Monterey, Cal. Eff.Nov.1
 Nov 4 Est.Naval Air Sta.Br.Miami, Fla. Eff.Nov.1
 " 8 Disc.Submarine Squadron Two Br.N.Y. Eff.Nov.6
 " 13 Est.Camp Peay Br.Tullahoma, Tenn. Eff.Jan.3, 1941. Name
 chgd.to Camp Forrest Br. Eff.Feb.15, See Feb.12 Bull.
 " 13 Est.Air Base Br.Orlando, Fla. Eff.Nov.16
 " 18 Est.Camp San Luis Obispo Br.San Luis Obispo, Cal.
 Eff.Dec.15
 " 19 Est.Camp Hulén Br.Palacios, Tex. Eff.Dec.1
 " 19 Est.Camp Edwards Br.Falmouth, Mass. Eff.Jan.6, 1941
 " 22 Est.Submarine Squadron Three Br., N.Y. Eff.Nov.20
 " 26 Est.Air Base Br.Savannah, Ga. Eff.Nov.28 (Figure 6)
 " 26 Est.Camp Stewart Br.Savannah, Ga. Eff.Nov.28
 Dec 2 Est.Camp Beauregard Br.Alexandria, La. Eff.Dec.1
 " 2 Est.Camp Livingston Br.Alexandria, La. Eff.Dec.1
 " 2 Est.Camp Claiborne Br.Alexandria, La. Eff.Dec.16
 " 4 Est.Camp Holabird Sta.Baltimore, Md. Eff.Dec.16
 " 4 Est.Camp Bowie Br.Brownwood, Tex. Eff.Jan.1

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- Dec 13 Est. Naval Air Sta. Alameda, Cal. Eff. Dec. 14
 " 16 Est. American Forces in Newfoundland Br. N.Y. Eff. Jan. 6
 P.O. on USAT America (name chgd. to Alexander) (See WCP
 April, 1941.) Name chgd. to American Base Forces
 A.P.O. 801. Eff. Apr. 16 (See Apr. 14 Postal Bulletin)
 " 17 Est. Fifth Defense Battalion, Fleet Marine Force Br. N.Y.
 Eff. Dec. 20
 " 27 Re-est. Camp Joseph T. Robinson, Br. Little Rock, Ark.
 Eff. Jan. 2
 " 30 Designation of V.F. Squadron 7 Br. N.Y. chgd. to Fighting
 Squadron 72, Eff. Nov. 15
 " 30 Est. Torpedo Testing Barge Br. Piney Point, Md. Eff. Dec. 30
 1941
 Jan 8 Est. Air Corps Br. San Angelo, Tex. Eff. Jan. 22
 " 8 Est. Arlington Cantonment Sta. Arlington Va. Eff. Jan. 16
 " 14 Est. Air Corps Br. Selma, Ala. Eff. Feb. 1
 " 14 Est. Ft. Richardson Br. Anchorage, Alaska. Eff. Apr. 1
 " 14 Est. Mabry Air Base Br. Tallahassee, Fla. Eff. Feb. 1
 " 21 Est. Camp Haan Br. Riverside, Cal. Eff. Jan. 15
 " 21 Est. Camp Upton Br. Riverhead, N.Y. Eff. Feb. 1 (Figure 7)
 " 29 Est. Ft. Rosecrans Sta. San Diego, Cal. Eff. Feb. 1
 Feb 3 Est. Ft. Ontario Sta. Oswego, N.Y. Eff. Feb. 1
 " 5 Est. Submarine Div. 42 Br. N.Y. Eff. Feb. 20
 " 5 Est. Camp Berkeley Br. Abilene, Tex. Eff. Mar. 3
 " 5 Est. Camp Lee Br. Petersburg, Va. Eff. Feb. 15



- " 6 Est. Camp Croft Br. Spartanburg, S.C. Eff. Feb. 17 (Figure 8)
 " 6 Est. Camp Wallace Br. Galveston, Tex. Eff. Mar. 15
 " 10 Est. Marine Detachment, Argenticia, Newfoundland Br. N.Y.
 Eff. Feb. 17 (Figure 9)
 " 11 Est. Navy Service School, Ford Motor Co. Sta. Dearborn,
 Mich. Eff. Feb. 26
 " 12 Est. Camp Wheeler Br. Macon, Ga. Eff. Feb. 17
 " 12 Est. Camp Grant Br. Rockford, Ill. Eff. Mar. 17
 " 12 Est. Camp Ft. Story Br. Virginia Beach, Va. Eff. Feb. 15
 Designation changed to Ft. Story Br. Eff. Mar. 1 (See
 Postal Bulletin Mar. 6)
 " 12 Designation of Camp Peay Br. Tullahoma, Tenn. chgd. to
 Camp Forrest Br. Eff. Feb. 15 (See Nov. 13, 1940, P. Bull.)
 " 13 Est. Camp Callan Br. San Diego, Cal. Eff. Feb. 24 Name
 chgd. to Camp Callan Sta. Eff. Apr. 16 (See Apr. 2 Bull)
 " 17 Est. Submarine Division 44 Br. N.Y. Eff. Mar. 6
 " 18 Est. Indiantown Gap Br. Annville, Pa. Eff. Mar. 1
 " 18 Est. Jacksonville Naval Air Sta. Br. Jacksonville, Fla.
 Eff. Feb. 15
 " 19 Est. Camp Wolters Br. Mineral Wells, Tex. Eff. Mar. 1

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- Feb 19 Est.Ft.Eustis Br.Newport News,Va. Eff.Mar.1
 " 19 Est.Ft.Worden Br.Port Townsend,Wash. Eff.Mar.1
 " 25 Designation of First Marine Brigade Fleet Marine Force
 Br.N.Y. chgd.to First Marine Division,Fleet Marine
 Force Eff.Feb.1 (See illus. on title page this issue)
 " 26 Est.Gunter Field Br.Montgomery,Ala. Eff.Mar.1
 " 26 Est.Upper Reservation Contract Sta.San Pedro,Cal.
 Eff.Mar.10
- Mar 3 Est.Marine Detachment Bermuda Br.N.Y. Eff.Feb.24
 " 5 Est.Headquarters,Tenth Naval District Sta.San Juan,
 Puerto Rico. Eff.Mar.4
 " 5 Disc.U.S.Naval Station,Guantanamo Bay,Cuba Br.N.Y.
 Eff.Mar.31
 " 6 Est.Pine Camp Br.Watertown,N.Y. Eff.Apr.1
 " 6 Designation of Camp Fort Story Br.Virginia Beach,Va.
 chgd.to Fort Story Br. Eff.Mar.1 (See P.Bull.Feb.12)
 " 11 Est.Camp Roberts Br.Pasco Robles,Cal. Eff.Mar.16
 " 11 Est.Marine Detachment,Island of Antigua,Leeward Islands
 Br.N.Y. Eff.Mar.1
 " 11 Est.Marine Detachment,Trinidad,Br.N.Y. Eff.Mar.1
 " 11 Est.Marine Detachment,Portland Bight,Jamaica Br.N.Y.
 Eff.Mar.15
 " 18 Est.Second Marine Aircraft Group, Fleet Marine Force
 Br.N.Y. Eff.Apr.1
 " 19 Est.Headquarters,Eighth Naval District Sta.New Orleans,
 La. Eff.Mar.24
 " 25 Est.Marine Detachment St.Lucia,Leeward Islands Br.N.Y.
 Eff.Apr.1 (Chgd. to St.Lucia,Windward Islands Eff.
 Apr.10. See Postal Bulletin Apr.3)
 " 27 Est.Naval Air Sta.Honolulu,Hawaii. Eff.Apr.21
 " 27 Est.Detachment B, First Defense Battalion, Fleet Marine
 Force Br.N.Y. Eff.Apr.17
 " 28 Est.Westover Field Sta.Chicopee Falls,Mass. Eff.May 1
 " 28 Est.Ft.Leonard Wood Br.St.Louis,Mo. Eff.Apr.1
 " 28 Est.Camp Davis Br.Wilmington,N.C. Eff.Apr.16
- Apr 1 Est.Ellington Field Br.Houston,Tex. Eff.Apr.15
 " 2 Designation of Camp Callan Br.San Diego,Cal. chgd. to
 Camp Callan Sta. Eff.Apr.16 (See P.Bull Feb.13)
 " 7 Est.Sixth Defense Battalion, Fleet Marine Force Br.N.Y.
 Eff.Apr.23
 " 8 Est.Ft.Levett Contract Sta.Portland,Me. Eff.Apr.16
 " 9 Disc.Torpedo Squadron Six Branch N.Y. Eff.Apr.27
 " 14 Designation of American Forces in Newfoundland chgd.to
 American Base Forces, A.P.O. 801 Br.N.Y. Eff.Apr.16.
 (See Dec.16 Postal Bulletin)
 " 17 Est.American Base Forces,A.P.O. No. 802, Bermuda Br.N.Y.
 Eff.Apr.18
 " 18 Second Marine Brigade, Fleet Marine Force Br.N.Y. chgd.
 to Second Marine Division, Fleet Marine Force. Eff.
 Feb.1 (See illus. on title page this issue)
 " 21 Est.Ft.Dix Br.Trenton,N.J. Eff.May 5
 " 21 Est.Stark General Hospital Br.Charleston,S.C. Eff.May 1
 " 21 Disc.Ft.Dix Br.Wrightstown,N.J. Eff.May 4
 " 28 Est.Jackson Air Base Br.Jackson,Miss. Eff.May 1
 " 28 Est.American Base Forces,A.P.O.No.803,Trinidad,B.W.I.
 Br.New York. Eff.Apr.28
 " 29 Est.American Base Forces A.P.O.No.801-A Br.New York,
 located at Argentia, Newfoundland. Eff.May 15
 " 29 Disc.Navy Department Sta.Washington,D.C. Eff.Apr.30
 " 29 Disc.Scouting Squadron Five Br.N.Y. Eff.May 22.

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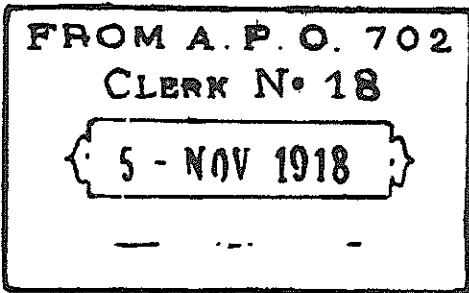
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MOTOR TRANSPORT SERVICE



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A.E.F. TYPE A-51 POSTMARKS

(Continued from p.15)

- APO 743 (35th Division)
Early 29 OCT 1918 (R.Safarid) Several intermediate dates.
Late 16 DEC 1918 (H.Artist)
- APO 744 (28th Division)
Early 7 NOV 1918 Many intermediate dates.
Late 28 JAN 1919 (H.Artist) Nov.11,1918 in Green (J.Perkins)
- APO 745 (5th Division)
Early 17 Nov 1918* (M.Hunt) Many intermediate dates.
Late 25 FEB 1919
- APO 746 (4th Division)
Early =5 NOV 1918 Many intermediate dates.
Late 20 JAN 1919
- APO 755 (78th Division)
Early 14 Nov 1918* (M.Hunt) Only specimen reported.
- APO 767 (Nantes)
Early 3 DEC 1918 One intermediate date.
Late 14 Mar 1919* (M.Hunt)
- APO 768 (Cherbourg)
Early -4 NOV 1918 Only specimens seen.
Late 7 Nov 1918* (M.Hunt) Both in purple.
- APO 771 (79th Division)
Early 19 Mar 1919* (M.Hunt) Several intermediate dates.
Late -6 MAI 1919 (J.P.Klinger)
- APO 776 (91st Division)
Early -6 OCT 1918 (H.Artist) Many intermediate dates.
Late 3 NOV 1918 (Wm.Gross)
- APO 777 (6th Division)
Early ? NOV 1918 Several intermediate dates.
Late 23 AVR 1919
- APO 780 (Mars-sur-Allier)
Early -2 NOV 1918 Several intermediate dates.
Late -9 DEC 1918 (J.Buckner)
- APO 781 (Vichy)
Early 9 NOV 1918 Only specimens seen.
Late 18 NOV 1918
- APO 783 (6th Army Corps) Specimens which look like "783" are
possibly poor impressions of "793."
- APO 785 (Allerey)
Early -8 NOV 1918 (G.Wedell) Many intermediate dates.
Late 23 JUN 1919
- APO 788 (40th Division)
Early 6 NOV 1918 Purple Only specimen seen.
- APO 790 (2nd Army Corps)
Early 29 JAN 1919 Purple Only specimen seen.

(To be continued)

U.S. WORLD WAR DELAYED MAIL MARKINGS

(Continued from September, 1940)

- Explanatory remarks concerning illustrations on pp. 16 and 21
C-11A Used as backstamp, from Jun 21 to Jul 5, 1919
D- 3A Always on back of cover.
F- 9U Common. Used from June 28 to Sep 11, 1919.
Acknowledgments: Dr.A.E.Perry, E.Carey, J.M.Hale, H.Artist.

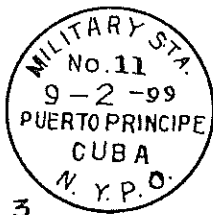
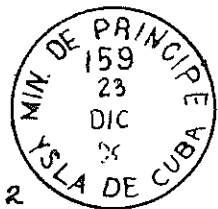
POSTMARKS ON THE PUERTO PRINCIPE STAMPS OF CUBA
(December, 1898, to FEBRUARY, 1899)

With the military occupation of Cuba during the Spanish-American War, Military Postal Stations were opened in various towns on the island.

An order of the Postmaster General of the United States of December 10, 1898, established Station No. 11, effective December 12th, at Puerto Principe, a town with a population of about 46,000 at that time.

Now, Puerto Principe is important philatelically in that Cuban stamps of the Spanish regime were surcharged for use there shortly after the Military Postal Station was established. The details about the stamps themselves are discussed in detail in Scotts Specialized U.S. Stamp Catalog; what follows pertains to the postmarks employed on them.

Your editor has seen and tabulated 176 of these stamps with postmarks, used from DEC 19 1898 (a week after the military postal station was opened) to FEB 9 1899. Four varieties of postmarks were used:



Type 1 - Used from 19 DIC 98 to 29 ONE (January) 1899.

The date slugs are frequently inverted--sometimes individual slugs, at other times all. "98" was sometimes used in 1898, at other times an indecipherable smudge appears. "1899" was used in 1899. Month slugs are either DIC or ENO (Enero--Spanish for January.) This is by far the commonest type of postmark used, 130 specimens having been noted.

Type 2 - Used from 20 DIC to 28 DIC (1899.)

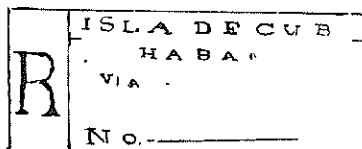
A smudge frequently appears where the hour slug should be. No distinct year slug has been seen; other slugs are also frequently indistinct. 36 specimens have been noted.

Type 3 - Only date seen "9-2-99" (Feb 9 1899.)

Two specimens.

Type 4 - No date. 8 specimens seen.

I am indebted to Eugene Klein for full sized photographs of items in the Brock collection, from which this study is mainly based. There were six covers in the Brock collection of PUERTO PRINCIPE stamps (auctioned by Mr. Klein), one of which, a registered cover with the postmarks shown, sold for \$210. However, it brought this price by reason of the value of the postage stamps, which cataloged \$525.

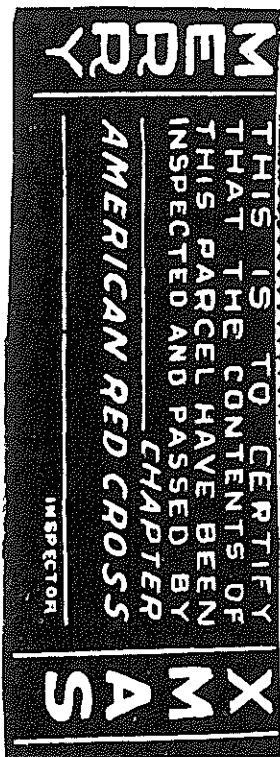


Another cover, a plain "flag" patriotic with a stamp cataloging \$2.50, however, brought \$12 at the sale. Your Editor finds that out of his small holding of six items, all four types are represented, and he possesses the latest known use of Type 2, and one of the two known Type 3s.

 THE 1918 CHRISTMAS PACKAGE COUPON

Interesting accounts about the Christmas Package Coupon appears in articles, one by President Hennen Sanford in The American Philatelist for May, 1938, the other "Remember 9 x 4 x 7" in the American Legion Monthly for December, 1936.

Briefly, each member of the A.E.F. was to be given one of these coupons, upon which he was to write his name and address and send it to a relative or friend at home. Only packages on which one of these labels had been placed were accepted at post offices throughout the United States for delivery in France. It was also necessary to pay the domestic postage (by means of stamps, of course) on the package to Hoboken, N.J. from which port it was taken to France, the Christmas Package Coupon serving the purpose of a postage stamp!



Approved by War Dept.
 Approved by E. O. Dept.

OFFICIAL COUPON.

AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES
 CHRISTMAS PACKAGE COUPON

FOR:

Milton L. Hazell

(Name.)

Pvt. 985969

(Rank.) (Army Serial Number.)

Field Hosp. Co. #125, 107th. Sn. Tn. Med. Dept.

(Company.)

(Regiment.)

(Arm of Service.)

PASTE THIS COUPON ON THE PACKAGE

DIRECTIONS: One Christmas package not heavier than 3 pounds and not larger than 9 by 4 by 3 inches will be carried free from Hoboken, N. J. to each American soldier in Europe. Standard boxes of these dimensions will be furnished, upon application, by local chapters of the American Red Cross in the United States. Christmas packages must not contain perishable articles, or any articles prohibited by the postal laws from transmission by mail. PACKAGES NOT CONFORMING TO STANDARD FURNISHED BY RED CROSS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. This coupon is authority for any postoffice to accept on or before November 20, 1918, a Christmas package conforming to the above regulations for the soldier named hereon. Postage to Hoboken, N. J., must be prepaid.

THIS COUPON MUST BE PASTED ON THE PACKAGE TO SECURE ITS TRANSMISSION

A. G. PRINTING DEPT., C. H. Q. A. E. F., 1918.

We have originals or illustrations of five of these labels, each of which shows a collectible philatelic variety -

(1) An unused label. Received in the U.S. on November 27th, too late for use, as indicated by a notation on the envelope in which it was sent. Christmas packages had to be mailed by November 20th.

(2) Used "off cover," The words "Dept." in the upper left corner are in a vertical line, one over the other. This is the item illustrated in the May, 1938, American Philatelist.

(3) Used "off cover," The word "Dept." in "P.O. Dept." is slightly to the right of the "Dept." above it.

(4) A used copy on piece of cover on which is pasted a green certification label by the American Red Cross.

(5) A used copy on piece of cover tied with two U.S. postage stamps used to pay the postage to Hoboken.