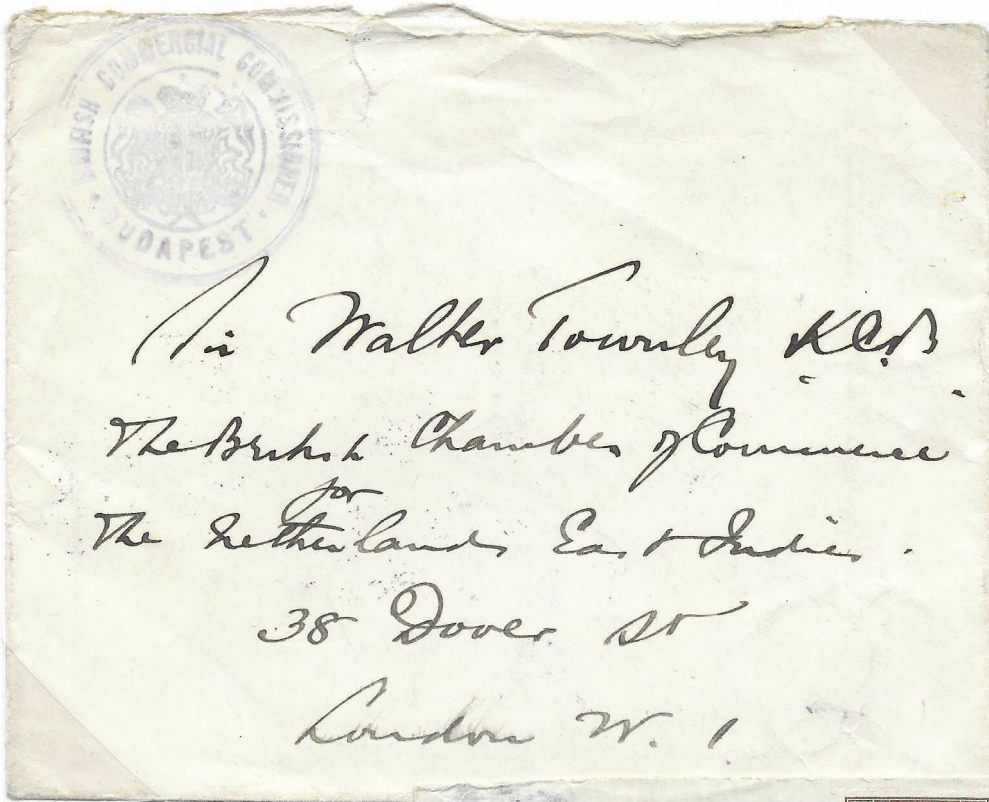


HUNGARY

Budapest
23 September 1920
4 February 1921



In addition to military personnel, British commercial and humanitarian organizations were active in Hungary following the war. Upper cover has cachet of the "British Commercial Commissioner/Budapest." The lower cover is from a member of the "British Relief Unit/Famine Relief Fund" in Budapest.

HUNGARY

Budapest
January 1920



This cover sent by diplomatic pouch from Budapest to England via Vienna. It has the cachet of the "British Representative/Interallied Commission/Budapest." Backstamped for receipt in Stamford on 6 January 1920.

HUNGARY
Danube Flotilla

Budapest
1 November 1919

Gibraltar
25 April 19(20?)

"Aphis",
1. xi. 19. LONDON

RECEIVED FROM H.M. SHIP
NO CHARGE TO BE RAISED

Mrs. Parham,
11, Oxford Row,
Bath,
England.

The Opera: I think the photograph makes it look finer than it really is, but it is a nice building, and nice still inside.

It is a lovely day to-day: fine & frosty, and the heady damp has gone. I should have loved to have gone ashore and up to Budapest to-day, but - the usual, - so I shall have to content myself with pacing the Quaterdeck - why it is so clippety!

Ohan ohanari! (I got that from my last Scott - you ought to understand it, being a Robertson!)

Best love, A.A.

Gibraltar 5
Apr. 25

RECEIVED FROM H.M. SHIP
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Wm V. Peterson
30 Oxford Row
Walsby
Liverpool

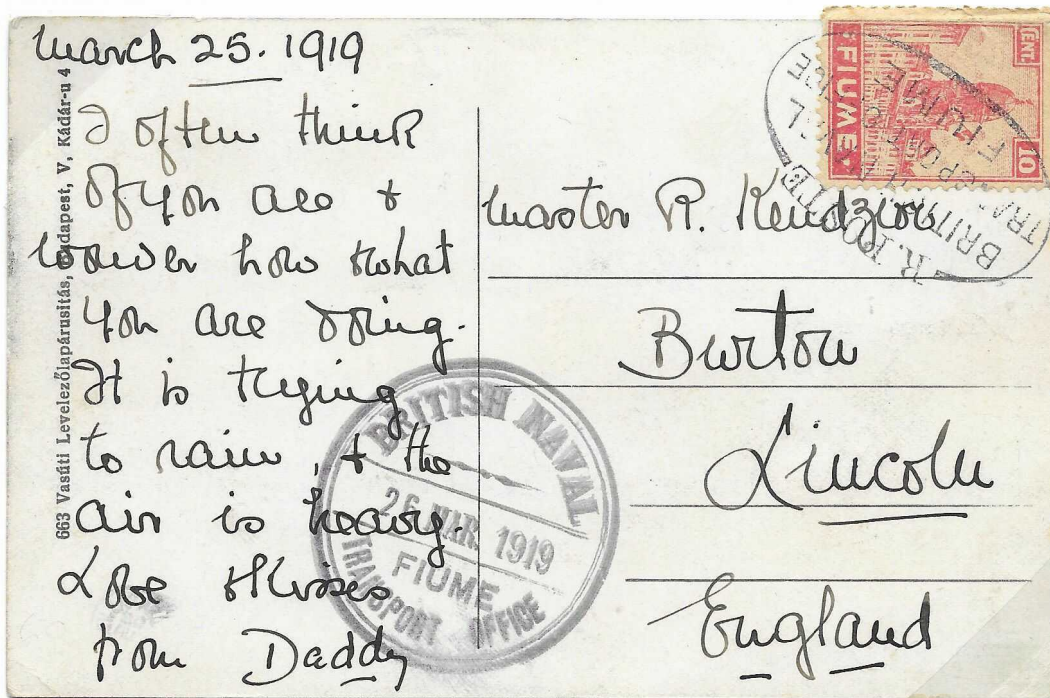
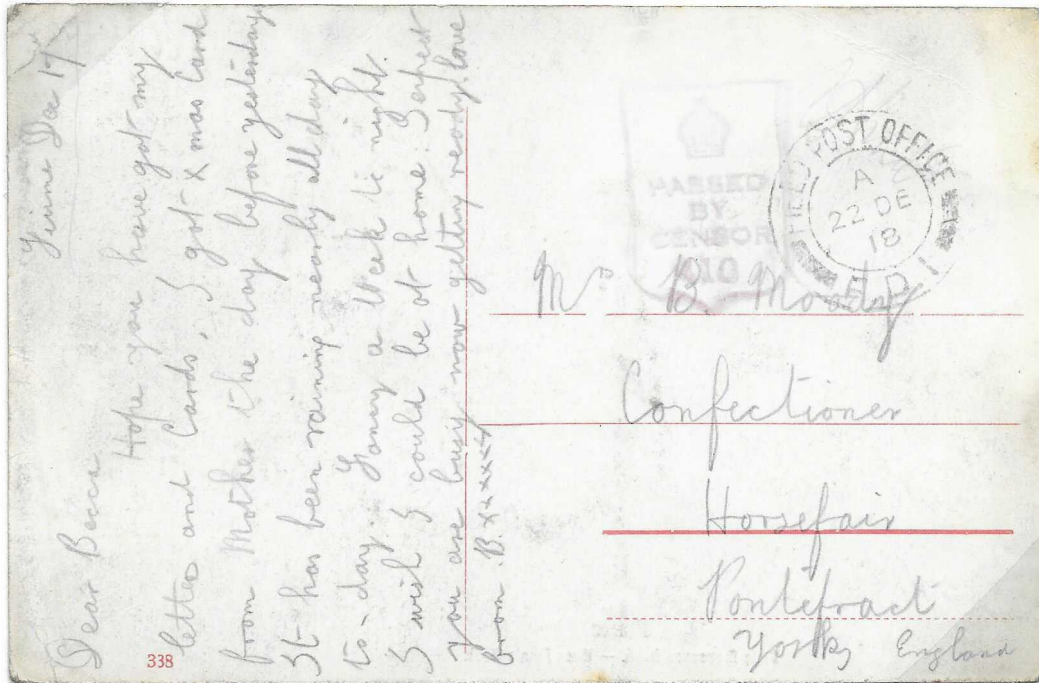
We're here alright. Being run into a rather unusual mid gale, & consequently the machinery is patching up. However we hope to get away from here next Wednesday 30th bound for Plymouth. We should arrive there by the 8th. Will you be able to issue on receipt of a wire or if not any thing absolutely definite about that time R.V.

The Allies had gunboats patrolling the Danube from Budapest as well as Vienna. Upper card (picture of Budapest) was sent by a sailor on HMS Aphis to England. Lower card (picture of Bucharest) is from a sailor on HMS Mersey at Gibraltar en route from the Danube home to Plymouth.

HUNGARY
Fiume

Army Post Office F.D.1
22 December 1918

British Naval Transport Office/Fiume
26 March 1919



Following the armistice with Austria-Hungary, Allied forces occupied key points around the Adriatic. Some of the British went to Fiume, the principal Hungarian port. Mail from these troops was sent back through the existing system in Italy. Note two types of special cachets for the Naval Office, both highly unusual.

BULGARIA

Following the surrender of Bulgaria on 30 September 1918, Allied forces on the Salonica Front quickly advanced and occupied key points in the former enemy nation.

Модерна книжарница В. Кънчовичевъ София, ул. „Мария Луиза“ 71.
 Jan 27th /19
 Dear Winnie
 Thanks for cards received this day.
 Delighted with them
 Wrote a letter two days ago, hope you received it safely
 Love to all + yourself
 Joe xxx

ПОЩЕНСКА КАРТА
 Carte Postale

Miss W. Welles
 9 St. Phillips Place



Field Post Office 77
 28 January 1919

Field Post Office T.26
 21 February 1919

Naval Mail
 1919

ΕΛΛΑΣ GRÈCE
 ΣΤΡΑΤΙΩΤΙΚΟΝ ΔΕΛΤΑΡΙΟΝ ΑΠΕΛΘΕΣ
 ΠΑΓΚΟΣΜΙΟΣ ΤΑΧΥΔΡΟΜΙΚΗ ΕΝΩΣΙΣ
 UNION POSTALE UNIVERSELLE
 ΕΠΙΣΤΟΛΙΚΟΝ ΔΕΛΤΑΡΙΟΝ
 CARTE POSTALE
 Επὶ τῆς πλευρᾶς ταύτης γράφεται μόνον ἡ διεύθυνσις.
 Côté réservé à l'adresse.
 3-2-19
 Hope you are
 I am O.K.
 I'm very cold, probably
 now about, have
 been enjoying
 myself
 each year
 I love
 every
 Mrs Stovold
 11 Springfield Road
 Seddington
 Middlesex
 England



Union Postale Universelle
 CARTE POSTALE
 My dear Clarice.
 Thanks very
 much for letter received
 to-day, please excuse P.C.,
 but am busy with work
 Love from
 Joe xxx



Miss C. Phipps
 69 Carr Rd
 Walkley
 Sheffield

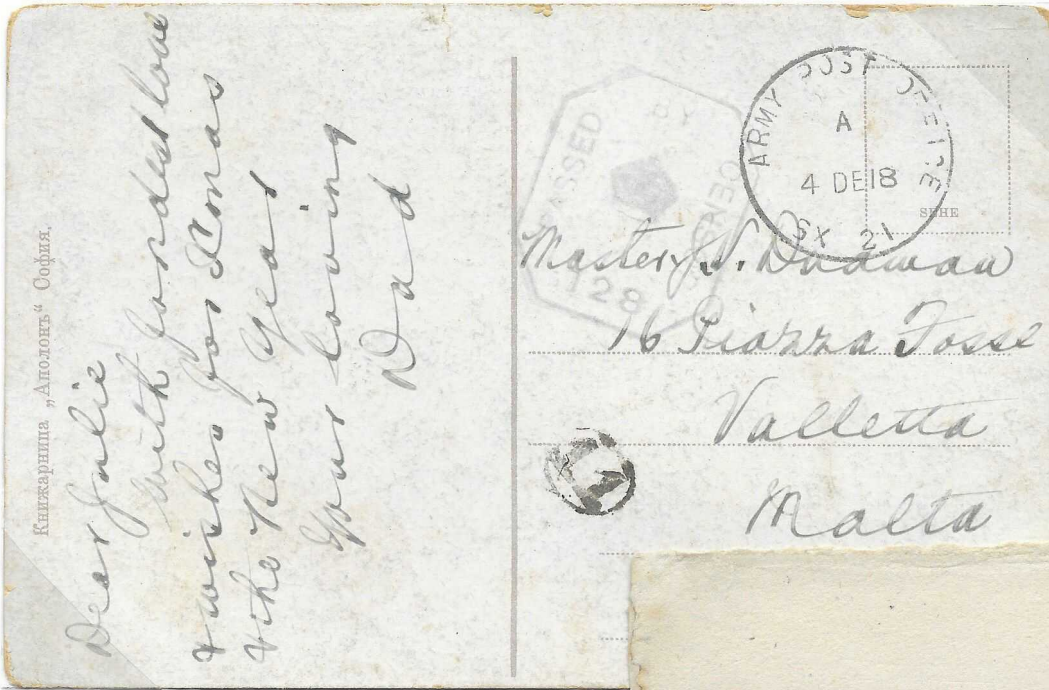
FPO 77 was located at Ruschuk from 17 November 1918 to 1 April 1919. T.26 was the FPO for the 26th Division at Varna. Lower post card sent by sailor on British warship from Varna to England.

**BULGARIA
Military Mail**

Army Post Office SX 21
4 December 1918

Field Post Office 77
8 December 1918

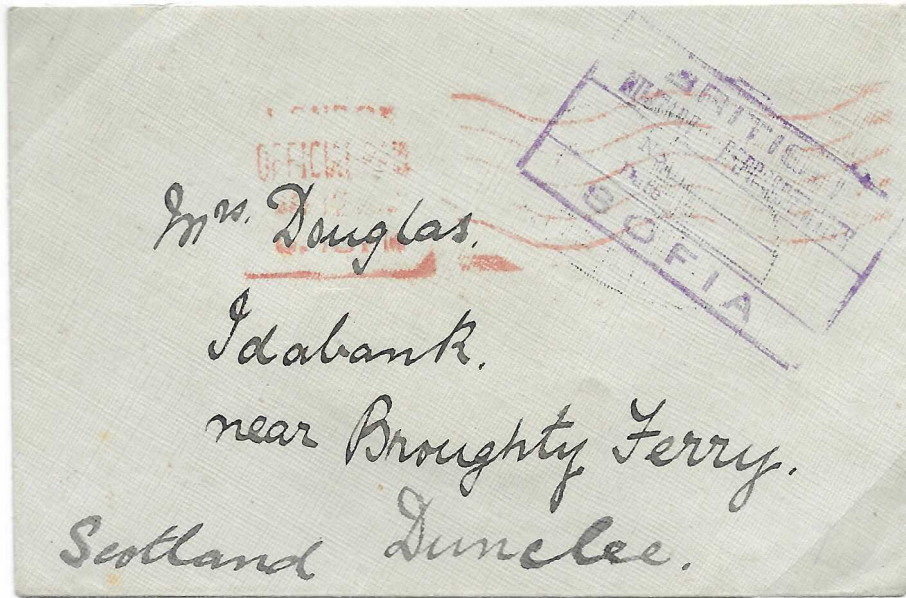
Army Post Office S.X.5
19 December 1918



Examples of mail from the British forces using the army post offices in Sofia (the S.Xs), as well as the field post office for the 77th Brigade of the 26th Division in Rustchuk.

BULGARIA

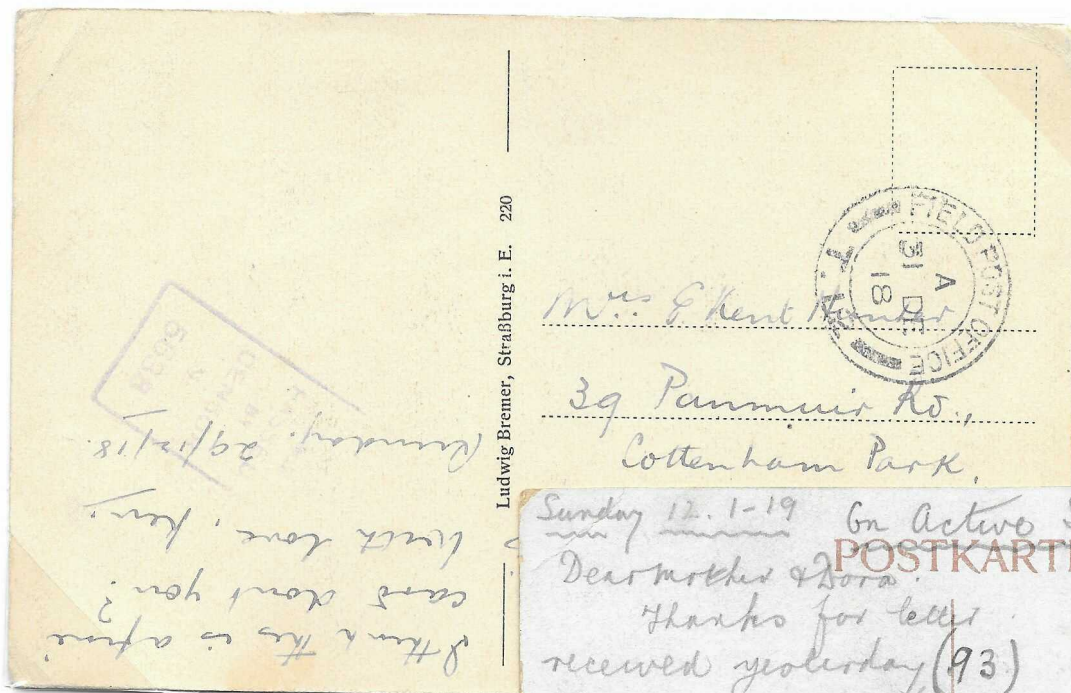
Sofia
January 1919
22 August 1921



Examples of covers from the international supervisory commissions in Sofia,. Upper example of official cover with the cachet of the British Military Representative; Lower example is from British member of the Interallied Commission for Bulgaria.

GERMANY

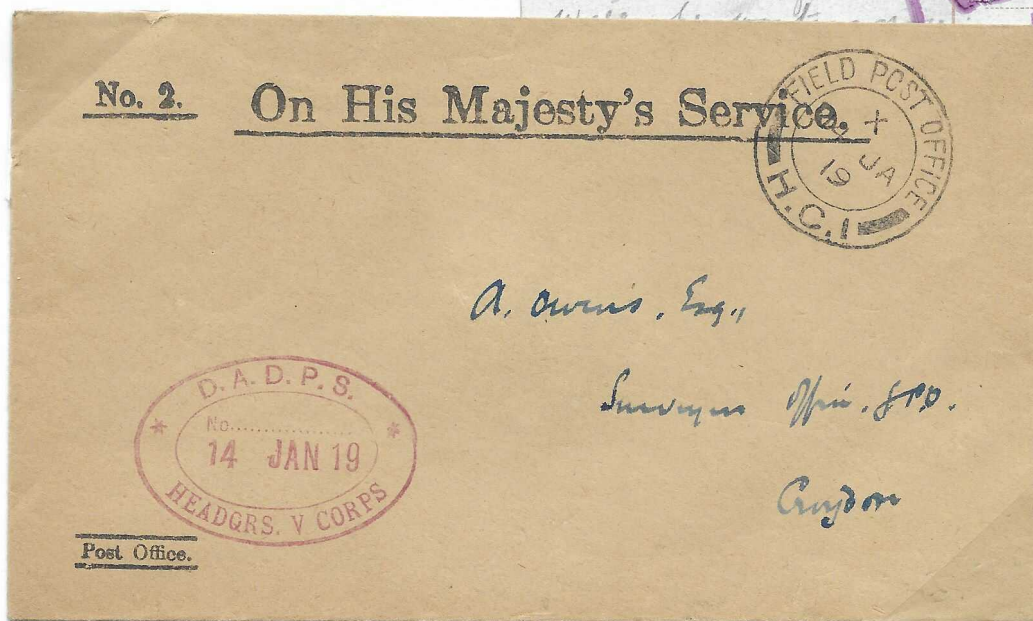
The first elements of the British Army of Occupation entered Germany on 1 December 1918 and soon established Cologne as the headquarters for their occupation zone of the Rhineland.



Field Post Office T.12
31 December 1918

Field Post Office 165
13 January 1919

Field Post Office H.C.1
14 January 1919



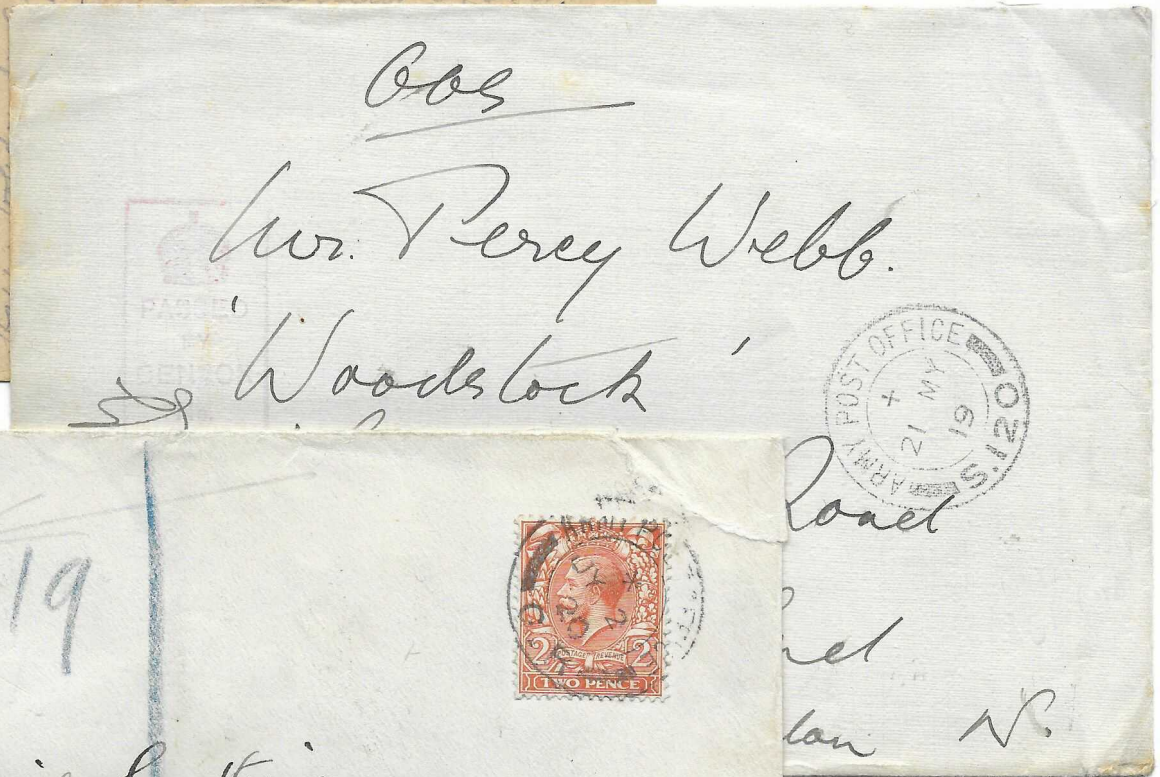
In the initial period extending through January and February, mail was postmarked with the field postmarks brought along from Belgium and France. FPO T.12 was used by the 6th Division stationed near Bonn and 165 was used by the Guards Division at Cologne. Cachets of specific military units are unusual; cover with H.f.1 has the marking of the Deputy Assistant Directors of Postal Services for the V Corps in Cologne.

GERMANY

Army Post Office R.62
6 January 1919

Army Post Office S.120
21 May 1919

Army Post Office G.R
2 July 1920



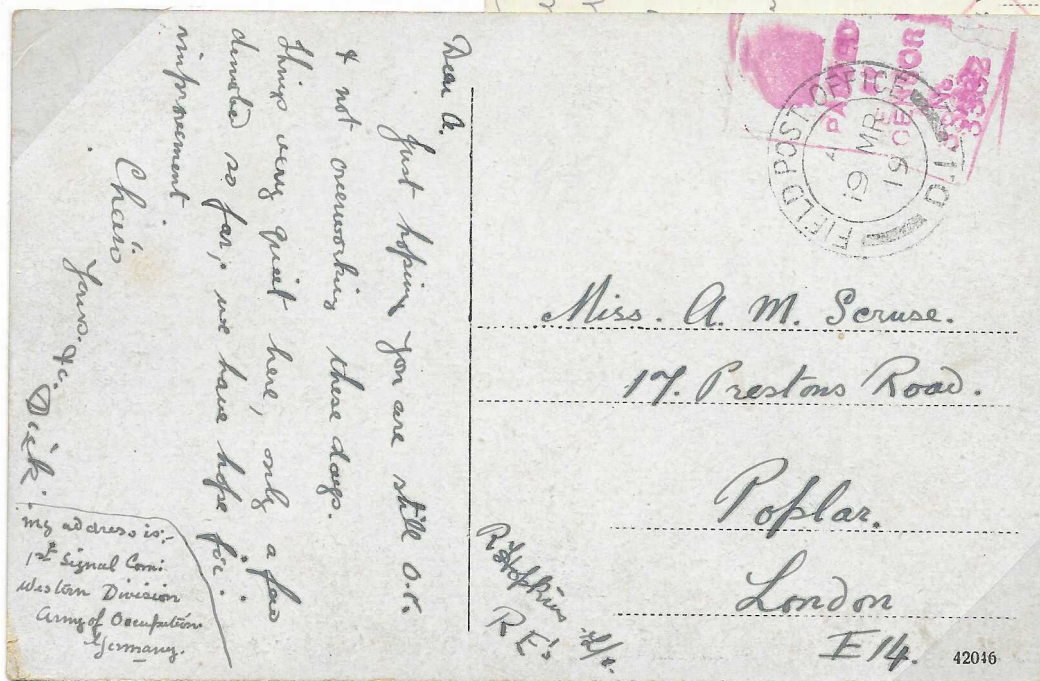
In addition to the Field Post Offices, which often moved from place to place with the troops, there were stationary offices called Army Post Offices. APO R.62 (62nd Division) was stationed at Schleiden and S. 120 at Duren. G.R (German Railhead) was located n the main railway station at Cologne; it processed the registered cover which originated with the Interallied Control Commission at Munster.

**GERMANY
Military Mail**

Field Post Office 49
21 January 1919

Field Post Office D.2.
19 February 1919

Field Post Office D.1.
19 March 1919



More than 200 different postmarks were used by the British Army of Occupation in Germany, some for very brief periods. FPO 49 was used by the 2nd Division during January, but a new D.2. postmark was issued in the following month. D.1. was used by the 1st Division at Bonn during February and March 1919.

GERMANY
Military Mail

Army Post Office S.40
18 December 1919
5 July 1920
13 February 1921

Dear Mother,

The only information I know of the New Year is from your loving son, Willie.

MILITARY PERMIT OFFICE
No.
Date

BRITISH ARMY OF THE RHINE

Mrs. L. S. Clements,

Dear Mother,

Butcher Jones with Rhine
25153. Pte James. Raper
Command Pay Office

ARMY POST OFFICE
S. 40
NO. 5

Command Pay Office

M. Y. Collins
25. Lambton Road.

BRITISH LIAISON OFFICE
12 FEB 1921
P. O. ALLIED FORCES OF OCCUPATION

Mr E. J. Fergusson.
"Baledmund"
Pitlochry.
Perthshire.
Scotland

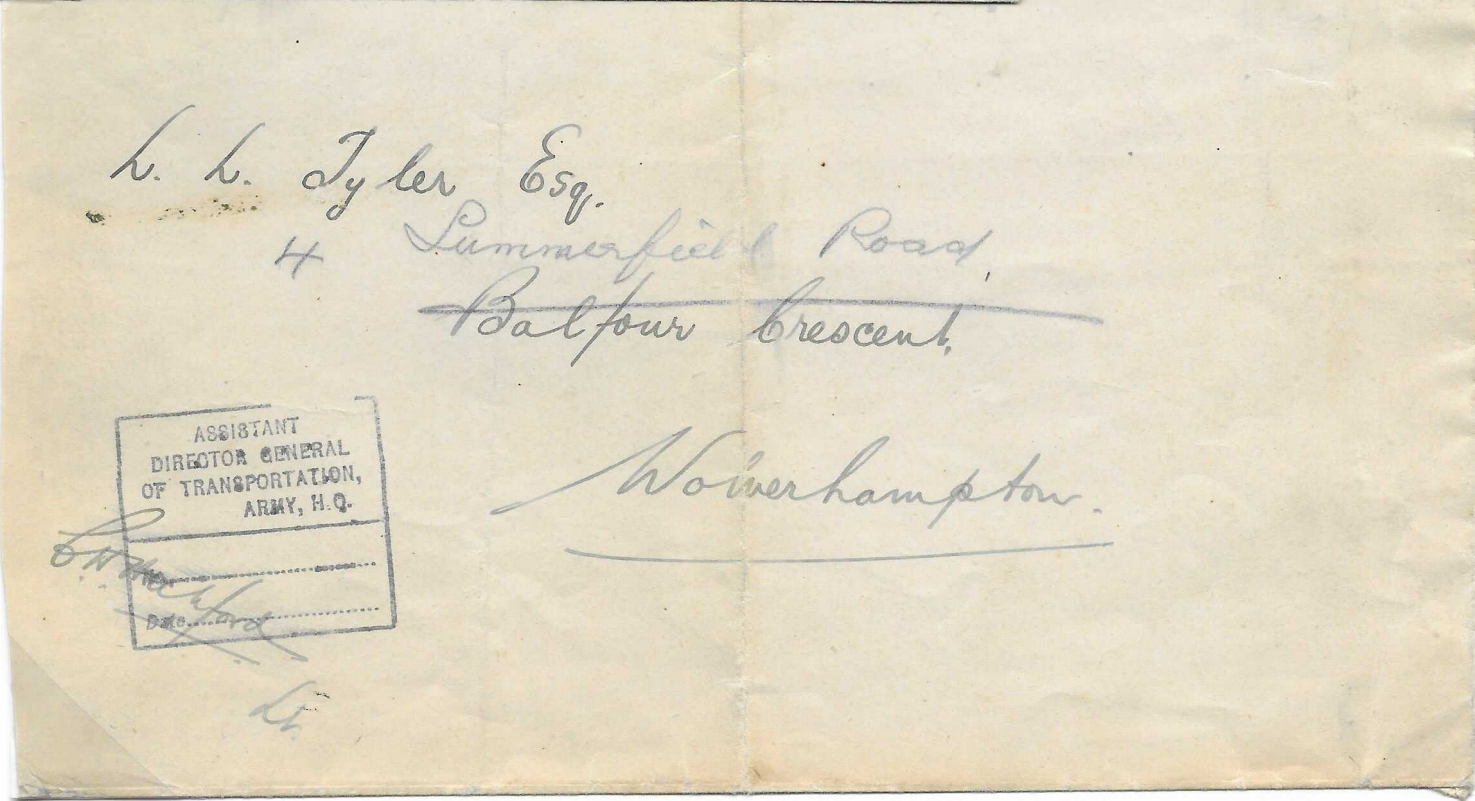
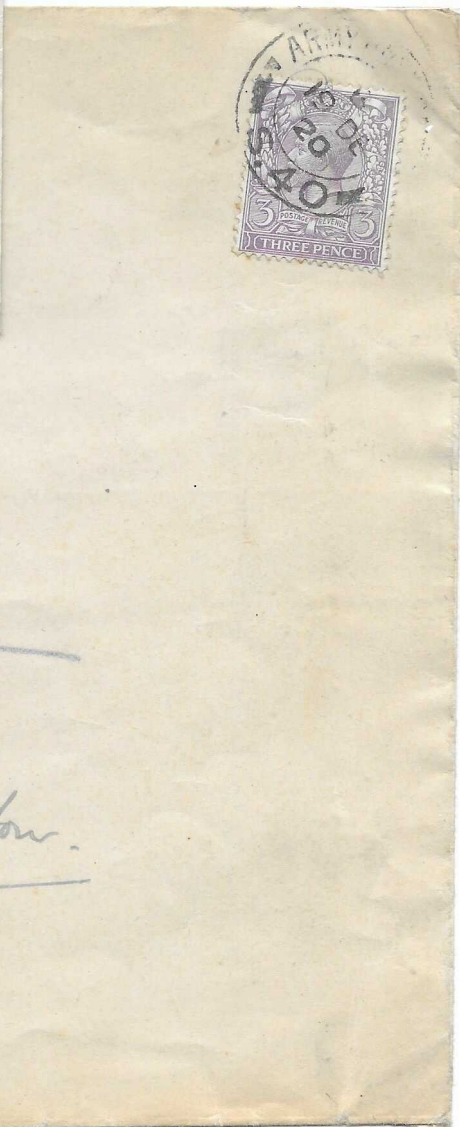
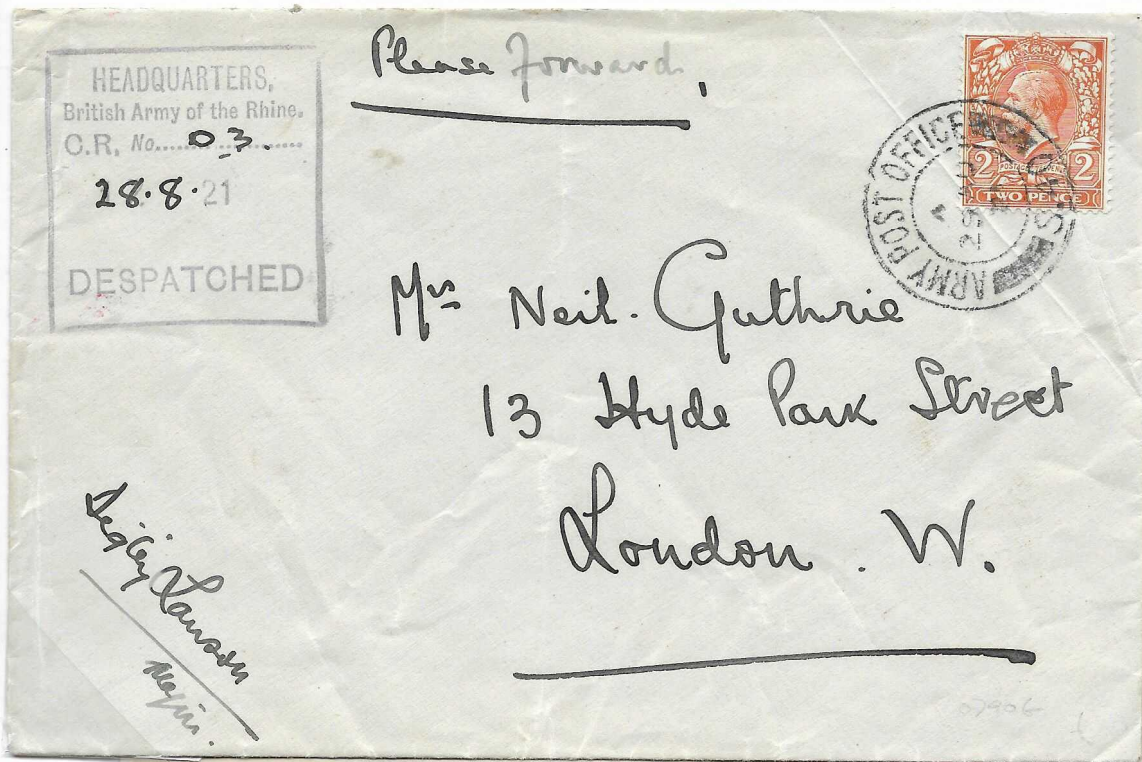
John W. ...
Capt.
1918

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TWO PENCE

APO S.40 served personnel engaged in a wide variety of administrative functions of the occupation, including the Military Permit Office, Command Pay Office and Liaison Office. Each of these had their own cachet for use on mail, permitting it to be sent free until 24 August 1920 and thereafter at domestic rates.

GERMANY
Military Mail

Army Post Office S.40
29 August 1921
19 December 1920



APO S.40 at Cologne served as the base post office for the entire BAOR. Most of the FPOs had been closed down by November 1919 as the size of the occupation forces was sharply reduced, although a few remained in operation until February or March 1920. Mail of the occupation troops could be sent free of postage until 25 August 1920, when domestic postal rates (then 2d for surface letters and 3d for airmail) was required.

GERMANY
Military Mail

Field Post Office H.9
19 June 1919

Field Post Office 88
24 June 1919

Field Post Office H.6
22 December 1919

British Army of Rhine.
POST CARD

THIS SPACE FOR COMMUNICATION

ADDRESS ONLY

PC

EMPTIED IN ENGLAND

My dearest Nancy
I had a card to say
I'm alright & hope that
one will be left received
from you for a few days,
hope I shall hear tomorrow.
With follows
Yours
Kindest regards
Tommy
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FIELD POST OFFICE
H.6
22 DEC 1919

Mrs. A. Lloyd
Eversley
Bewley Rd

Driver W. H. Sankey, 2626910
2/B Battery, A.A.C.
126 Brigade R.F. O.A.S.
Southern Division
British Army of Rhine.

23/6/19.

Postkarte.

Dearest Auntie,
Just a short note.
Had a most interesting journey
coming over. We are camping
here at present - ready for
action in case Jerry decides
to sign the peace terms.
Have given Mary all the

Mrs E. Robinson
13, Maplestead
Briston Hill
London, S.W.
England.

FIELD POST OFFICE
24 JUL
1919

come home.

My Dear Bertie

I have sent the money
& parcels to Miss Ruth
for Xmas. Sorry to say
that I shall not be back
for Christmas as I have
been retained for
an other month, but
hoping to be Demobbed
early next month.
Wishing you all a
merry Xmas & a Happy
New Year. Charbs.

B.A.O.R.

FIELD POST OFFICE
CORPS
INTELLIGENCE
22 DEC
1919
H.6

Mrs. E. Lubbe Bakers
49
34 Greenwood Rd
Dalston
London

W&A 3022

In preparation for the demobilization of a substantial portion of the forces, on 2 April 1919 the occupation troops were renamed the British Army on the Rhine (BAOR), and this designation soon showed up in return addresses. FPO 88 was used by the Southern Division at Coblenz. H.6 was at the HQ of VI Corps at Düren and H.9 at HQ of the IX Corps at Euskirchen.