


AT 10:00 A.M.

**UNITED STATES POSTAL CARDS
SENT BY SPECIAL DELIVERY 1887-1904**

Postal cards provided an unusually cheap and reliable means of communication and thus were extremely popular with ordinary citizens as well as some businesses in the latter part of the 19th Century and the initial half of the 20th. The first U.S. postal card was issued on May 13, 1873 and many billions were printed subsequently. The cost of sending a postal card held remarkably stable through the years covered by this study. Except for the World War I war tax period from 1917-1919 when the rate was doubled temporarily, domestic postal cards could be sent for 1 cent all the way from 1873 until 1952, when the rate was increased to 2 cents. International cards paid the UPU rate of 2 cents from 1873 until 1925. This rate then went to 3 cents, where it remained until 1953.

The demand for postal cards is believed to have peaked prior to World War II. Subsequently, increasing affluence caused many customers to prefer to use letters (for greater privacy), telephone calls (for an immediate response) and, most recently, e-mails (at essentially no incremental cost). In spite of the vast theoretical supply of postal cards, assembling the collection of cards utilizing the service shown in this exhibit required finding ones that needed unusually rapid handling.

Special delivery service was first introduced by the U.S. Post Office Department on October 1, 1885, along with a distinctive new stamp that was used to identify this type of mail. It was inscribed "Secures Immediate Delivery at a Special Delivery Office." This meant that it would be sent out immediately from any one of 555 post offices in towns with a population of 4,000 or higher. This service was so popular that it was extended to all U.S. post offices a year later.



This postal card (issued in 1885 and depicting President Jefferson) was franked with the first special delivery stamp and sent internally within Cincinnati, Ohio on June 4, 1887.

The exhibit is laid out essentially chronologically, starting with the first example from 1887. The final example is from the 1960s, prior to the rapid acceleration in the rate of inflation that eventually helped to cause postal cards to become obsolete by the other forms of communication. There is active competition for attractive examples from collectors of special delivery mail and of the stamps which were used to uprate the cards. Nevertheless, the results have been rewarding, with the ability to show attractive material, a variety of rates, and both domestic and foreign destinations.

**SPECIAL DELIVERY STAMP FOR
ANY POST OFFICE**

"COLUMBIAN" SPECIAL DELIVERY

Middletown, Conn.
June 7, 1892

Saint Joseph, Mo.
September 9, 1893



The second special delivery stamp, inscribed "Secures Immediate Delivery at any Post Office," was issued on September 6, 1888. The example of this stamp is used on an 1891 card depicting President Grant.

When the commemorative set for the Columbian Exposition was issued, the 1 cent denomination was printed in the same blue color as the current special delivery stamp. Fearing confusion among postal clerks and patrons, the post office decided to print a new supply of special delivery stamps in orange, which was first sold on January 24, 1893. An example of this stamp is shown used on an 1891 postal card sent within Missouri.

REISSUED BLUE SPECIAL DELIVERY

Swampscott, Mass.
August 13, 1895

BICYCLE MESSENGER STAMP

New York/Washington Bridge
October 7, 1908



After the Exposition, the P.O. reverted back to the blue color for stamps printed from October 10, 1894 on. Moreover, as the Bureau of Engraving and Printing had taken over stamp production, they used the American Banknote Co. plates but added a thin line beneath "Ten Cents." An example of this stamp is shown used on an 1894 postal card with "Jefferson" in small letters beneath the portrait.

In keeping with the mission of providing speedy service, the POD created a new design showing a messenger on a bicycle, which was issued on December 9, 1902. This example was used on a 1907 McKinley postal card from New York to Iowa.

ULTRAMARINE BICYCLE MESSENGER (PERF. 11)

Chicago, Ill.
May 17, 1921
October 6, 1921



The final version of the bicycle messenger Special Delivery stamp was issued on May 2, 1917. Its only distinguishing characteristic was that it was perforated 11.

The war tax on domestic postcards and letters expired on July 1, 1919, when the rate on cards went back to 1 cent. The post office had a large quantity of 2 cent cards still in stock. Rather than destroying them, the cards were surcharged with a large black "1 cent" in April 1920 and placed back on sale. Examples shown above are a normal card and the reply half of a double card.

4001 ☒

Postal Cards sent by Special Delivery, 1887-1904, single Frame (16 pages) exhibit, 30+ cards, starting with 1c Jefferson with 10c franking, used locally in Cincinnati, 1892-93 "Columbian" Special Delivery cards, Bicycle Messenger stamps, Double Special Delivery fee, Parcel Post and Postage Dues, also definitives paying Special Delivery fees, etc., various origins and destinations, mostly fine-v.f., interesting collection

750.00

United States Intervention in China

China Relief Expedition - Boxer Rebellion



- 4002 ☒ 1900-01 single Frame (16 pages) exhibit with 24 covers or cards, showing Military Postal Stations Peking, Tientsin, Registered mail, including one of only five recorded "Military Postal Station No.1 China" registered via New York to Germany, cover from Shanhaikuan Station (only recorded example), other Registered mail, Military P.Sta.No.1 Taku, covers to Fiume and Hong Kong, earliest and latest recorded pmks; only recorded example of Registered Mail from Taku to USA, Naval Mail from "Flagship Brooklyn", sent via the Japanese Post Office in Chefoo to Nagasaki; covers from a U.S. Warship "U.S.S. Monocacy", Marines mail covers, one sent from a Marine Lieutenant on the "U.S.S. Brooklyn", another forwarded from Chefoo via the French Post office to Cavite, Philippines, etc., mixed condition, superb presentation of U.S. presence in China during the Boxer War, with many rare and elusive items 5,000.00



- 4003 ☒ 1900 (19 Nov) German "Feld-Postkarte" franked with single 2c carmine, tied by "Mil. P.Sta.No.1, Pekin, China", endorsed "Soldier's Letter", with "Mil. Postal Sta. No.1 China" and Manila transit pmks, addressed to Sweden, charged "15 Ctms T" due on arrival in Malmo (18.1.1901), unusual foreign destination from an American soldier in China 500.00



- 4004 ☒ 1900 (8 Nov) 2c stationery entire envelope, additionally franked with 4c Trans-Mississippi, tied by "Mil. P.Sta. No.1 Tientsin" cds, sent to Birmingham, Ala, with San Francisco transit and Dec.16 arrival pmks on back, fine example of civilian mail paying international rate of 5 cents, used during China Relief Expedition

250.00



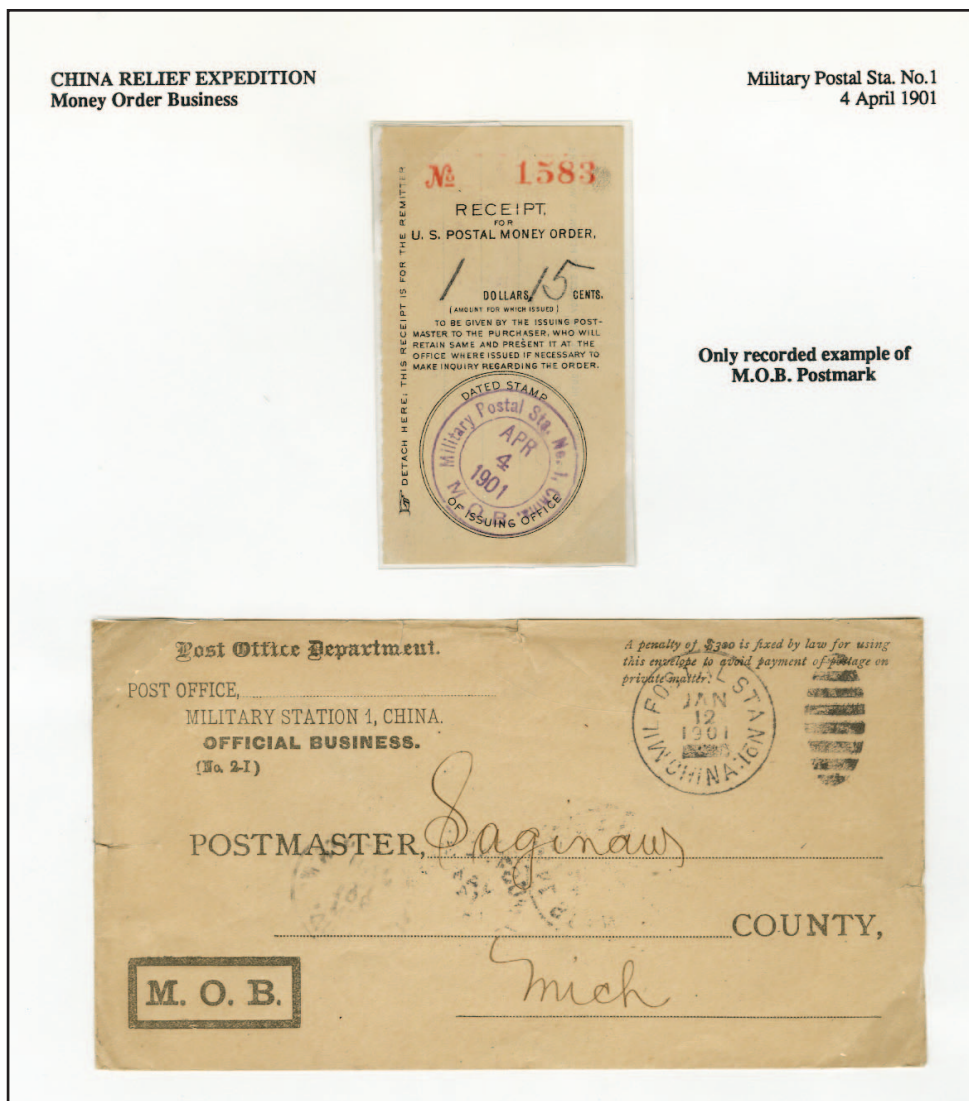
- 4005 ☒ 1900 (6 May) 2c stationery entire envelope with additional 1c, 2c and 8c franking, tied by "Mil Postal Sta. No.1 Tientsin China" cds, registered to Germany, with corresponding "Registered Mil. Postal Sta. No.1, China" departure cds, New York Registry exchange label, transit and arrival pmks on back, fine. Registered mail from the Military Stations is relatively scarce, only 25 (!) have been recorded over the past century, including those from Peking and Taku

250.00



- 4006 ☒ 1901 (9 Jan) 2c stationery entire envelope with additional 8c franking, tied by "CHINA" handstamps, registered to Atlanta, with corresponding "Registered Mil. Postal Sta. No.1, China" departure cds, further handstamped "Return Receipt Demanded", "R No.66" alongside, with San Francisco transit and arrival (Feb15 1901) pmks on back. This is the only recorded example of this Return Receipt handstamp, fine. (It should be noted that Registered mail from the Military Stations is relatively scarce, only 25 (!) have been recorded over the past century, including those from Peking and Taku)

500.00



- 4007 ☐ 1901 (12 Jan) Post Office Department Military Station No.1, China Official Business envelope marked "M.O.B." (Money Order Business), with "Military Postal Sta. No.1, China" departure pmk, addressed to Michigan, also a receipt for U.S.Postal Money Order, with corresponding Apr 4 1901 pmk, small cover tears, stated to be the "only recorded example of M.O.B. postmark" 500.00

Yangtze River and South China Naval Patrols

- 4008 ☐ 1907-39 collection on exhibit pages, 25 covers or cards showing postmarks of the U.S. Naval patrols on the Yangtze and Pearl Rivers. There are pmks from "U.S.S. Concord", "U.S.S. Wilmington", "U.S.S. Villalobos", "U.S.S. Elcano" (one sent through the U.S.Postal Agency Shanghai), "U.S.S. Palos", registered mail from "U.S.S. Isabel", plus others, mixed condition, scarce lot. (The U.S. Navy's Yangtze Patrol was a naval force with minor combat power, mostly serving as a constabulary and diplomatic force. "YangPat" was gunboat diplomacy made manifest, with "U.S.River Rats" doing their best to defend American lives, interests, and property in China, until WWII) (web photo)..... 1,500.00

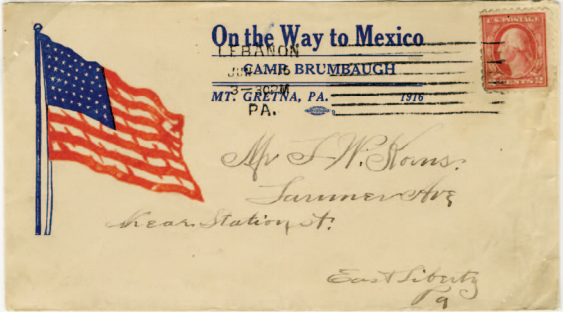
United States Intervention in Northern Mexico

THE U.S. INTERVENTION IN NORTHERN MEXICO 1916-1917

This exhibit documents the postal history of the American military intervention in northern Mexico prior to our entry into World War I. There had been considerable political unrest and armed conflict between rival political factions in Mexico since the overthrow of President Diaz in 1911. By 1916, a number of local warlords were able to defy the central authorities and establish their own control over sizable areas of the country. One of these, Francisco (Pancho) Villa, was very popular in the State of Chihuahua and apparently felt that he was ready for the big time. On the morning of 9 March, he led 500 of his men across the border to raid Columbus, New Mexico looking for arms and ammunition. The ensuing battle lasted for three hours and left 76 Mexicans and 17 Americans dead. President Wilson immediately ordered Gen. John J. Pershing to organize a retaliatory campaign to capture Villa.

Drawing on troops available in the Southwest and such National Guardsmen as could be mustered, Pershing was able to cross over into Mexico just six days later with 5,000 men. Camps were set up at Casas Grandes and Dublin, about 90 miles south of Columbus. From these bases, the Cavalry fanned out to try to find Villa. However, he knew the territory well and managed to avoid encounters with any sizable groups of Americans. Eventually, he was located and severely defeated by Mexican federal troops early in the next year, which led President Wilson to call off the intervention on 12 January 1917.



As to the postal situation, no post offices were opened in northern Mexico, but mail was collected and bagged for shipment back to Columbus for processing. Most of that originating in Mexico was sent unfranked and postage due was charged to the recipients. As an interesting sidelight, for about five weeks between 19 March and 20 April, mail was flown out of Mexico on aircraft of the 1st Aero Squadron, thus providing the earliest examples of an American military airmail service. In addition to letters from the intervention forces directly, covers sent from the men called up to reinforce border posts from California to Texas form a significant part of the story of the campaign.



NORTHERN MEXICO CAMPAIGN
Flown From Mexico

Columbus, N. Mex.
5 April 1916

Military Airmail Service

Another example of the Baird correspondence flown from Mexico to Columbus. It was soon demonstrated that the planes used for the airmail service were not built for the rough terrain encountered in the field. As described in the AAMC, these flights started with eight planes on 19 March and continued until 20 April, when the last two aircraft still operating were taken out of service "due to their unsafe condition." (Some new planes arrived later, but it is not believed that they carried mail.)

- 4009 ☒ 1916-17 single Frame (16 pages) Exhibit with 26 covers or cards documenting the postal history of the American Involvement in Northern Mexico prior to U.S. entry into World War I, with "On the Way to Mexico Camp Brumbaugh" patriotic cover, Columbus and Deming, N.Mex 1916 cards; advance into Mexico, The First U.S. Military Air Mail Service, two covers flown from Mexico to Columbus, where they were postmarked (27 Mar and 5 Apr 1916), each mailed by Lt. Baird to his wife, endorsed "Soldier's Mail" and as no stamps were available, both were charged "Due 2c", or with the actual 2c Postage Due (AAMC 92, \$5,000), also a ppc depicting the actual Aircraft. In addition, there are covers showing use of Civilian post offices, Forwarded Mail, "U.S. Army on Mexican Border" letterhead and cover posted on a railway car of a train enroute to El Paso; Military Branch markings, Official War Department cover, etc. A fascinating collection (*during the Mexican Revolution 1910-20, the United States had varied involvements, supporting and then repudiating Mexican regimes. Beyond Vera Cruz, the US sent thousands of troops led by General John Pershing deep into northern Mexico between 1916-1917 to capture Pancho Villa after his forces raided US border towns*) 5,000.00

United States Intervention in the Caribbean

- 4010 ☒ 1899-1906 balance of the collection, mostly written-up on pages, good showing of 60+ covers, cards, some coverfronts and pieces, U.S. military and Naval mail from Cuba (including "U.S. Army Hospital Ship Missouri" War Dept cover), incoming mail, "Rough Riders in Action" illustrated cover, Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic, Haiti, one from Nicaragua, with a variety of frankings and cancels, some better, including commercial mail, etc., mixed condition, excellent foundation for expansion or break-up (web photo) 1,500.00

United States Intervention in Dominican Republic



4011 ☒

1916-24 single Frame (16 pages) Exhibit of 31 covers or cards, starting with the earliest recorded example of U.S. military mail from the Dominican Republic, written on board the "U.S.S. Neptune", while anchored off Santo Domingo and then posted nine days later from Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. There are forerunners, "Military Government of Santo Domingo" ("Passed by Censor U.S.N." handstamp), covers sent by military pouch to Puerto Rico or the U.S., earliest recorded "San Domingo Dominican Republic U.S. Marines" cancel (17 Nov 1917), YMCA covers, "U.S.M.C. Br.Santo Domingo" cancels, Naval dispatches "U.S.S.Nokomis", Registration marks, various Earliest and Latest Recorded examples, registered cover from U.S.M.C. Santiago (extremely rare), "La Vega, D.R." and "U.S. Marine Barracks, La Vega" (only five examples recorded), "U.S.M.C. Br.Puerto Plata", two covers, one registered and censored (discovery copy and still the only example recorded), "San Pedro de Macoris", etc. A splendid presentation (the first U.S. occupation was aimed to force the Dominicans to repay their large debts to European creditors, whose governments threatened military intervention. The U.S. Marines landed on 16 May, 1916 and established effective control of the country within two months. Three major roads were built, largely for military purposes, connecting for the first time the capital with Santiago in the Cibao, Azua in the west, and San Pedro de Macoris in the east. With the inauguration of a new President on July 13, 1924, control of the republic returned to Dominican hands and U.S. forces withdrew on September 18th)

1,500.00



4012 ☒

1921 (30 May) cover to Portsmouth, Va., franked with 2c carmine tied by "U.S. Marines Pto. Plata" between two killer bars, supported by "New York (U.S.M.C. Br.Puerto Plata) N.Y." departure pmks, fine. Stated to be the only recorded example of this marking

150.00

United States Intervention in Haiti



- 4013 ☒ 1916-22 selection of ten covers from Haiti to the United States, including registered "Banque Nationale de la Republique d'Haiti" cover franked with 2c and 12c Washington-Franklins, tied by "U.S.S. Washington" departure datestamps, two "Marines Mail" covers from Port-au-Prince, cover with 3c franking from Capt. Whaley, U.S.M.C., with earliest recorded "New York U.S.M.C. Br/Port-au-Prince 26 Nov 1917" pmk from Haiti, two covers, each endorsed "No Stamps Available", with "U.S. Marine Corps. Port-Au-Prince Haiti" departure pmks, charged "Postage Due 2 Cents", another with 2c added on arrival, "Gendarmerie D'Haiti" corner card cacheted cover, censored by Major J.K.Tracy, U.S.M.C., etc., mixed condition 1,000.00
- 4014 ☒ 1919-34 Exhibit collection, two-frames (32 pages), with 54 covers and cards, showing various markings used by the U.S. Marine Corps in Haiti, with Earliest and Latest Recorded cancels, "U.S.S. Kittery" cover to USA, "Aeroplane Mail", Registered covers, including the only recorded example of "New York (U.S.M.C. Br. Port-au-Prince) NY", Registry boxes, "Return Receipt Requested", plus many others. (The U.S. Marines landed at Port-au-Prince in 1915, after the National City Bank of NY convinced President Wilson to take control of Haiti's political and financial interests. This invasion and ensuing occupation resulted in years of socioeconomic instability, during which Haiti had three new presidents. The U.S. rule was a military regime, with martial law imposed by the Marines and the Haitian Gendarmerie. Most Haitians lived in poverty, while American personnel were well-compensated. In 1934, the United States, in concert with President Franklin D. Roosevelt's "Good Neighbor Policy", officially withdrew from Haiti while retaining economic connections. The last contingent of marines departed on August 15, 1934) (web photo) 1,000.00

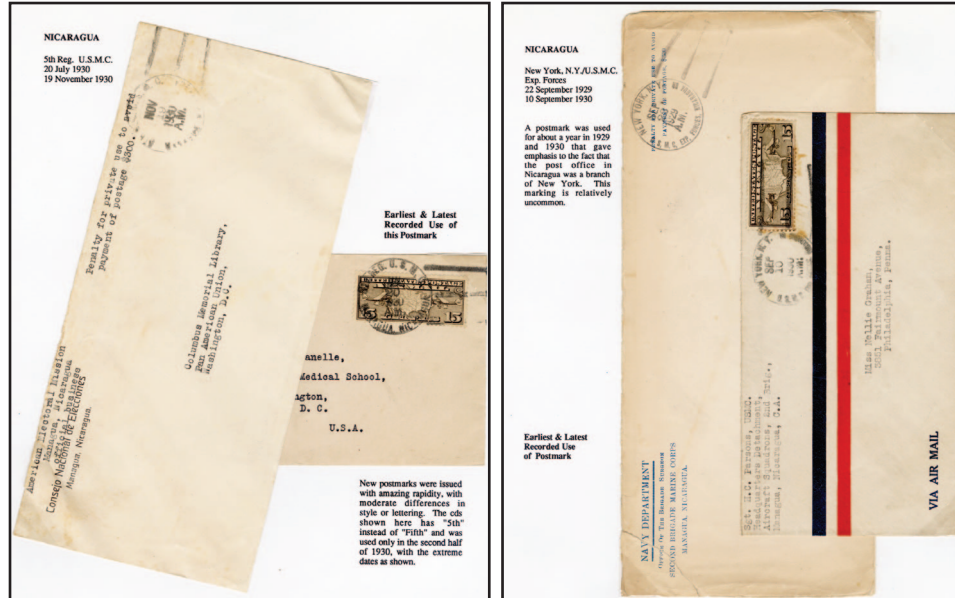
United States Intervention in Nicaragua



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1912-33 selection of 21 covers or cards on exhibit pages, starting with U.S.S. Annapolis, cover sent on Oct 24, 1912 to Cavite, Philippines, franked with 2c carmine, tied by blue "Annapolis" departure datestamp, others from Corinto, one showing the U.S.S. Annapolis departure and "Ensign Thoms/Headquarters U.S. Forces/Leon, Nicaragua" sender's address, 1924-25 "Marine Detachment, American Legation, Managua" cds used on two covers with commemorative franking to USA, covers marked "U.S. Marine Mail", one "No Stamps Available", still charged Postage Due on arrival in El Paso, various Expeditionary Forces cancels, Earliest and Latest Recorded examples of postmarks, Only Recorded examples of "Marine Barracks Exp. Forces" Registered Mail, etc. mixed condition, scarce

2,500.00



4016

1928-32 single frame Exhibit Collection, 16 pages, with 35 covers and cards, showing earliest and latest recorded usages of various pmks provided for the U.S. Marine Corps, sent from HQ Aircraft Squadrons, medical units, Registered mail, including the only recorded example of the 11th Regiment Second Brigade USMC to San Pedro, Calif., covers from HQ Puerto Cabezas, Money Order markings, unrecorded "Rec'd" handstamps, Evacuation of the Marines from Nicaragua 1932-33, with cover the "U.S.S. Henderson" with the last contingent of U.S. Marines leaving the country, etc. A well researched and definitive collection (The United States Intervention/Occupation of Nicaragua from 1912-1933 was part of the "Banana Wars" and was meant primarily to prevent any other nation except the US from building a Nicaraguan Canal. There were of course many other reasons, including internal rebellions, insurgents, bandits, etc. Due to budgetary considerations related to the depression in the US, President Hoover ended the American intervention in 1933)

2,500.00

U.S. Postal Agencies in Latin America

- 4017 ☒ 1922-42 single frame (16 pages) exhibit with 17 covers or cards from U.S. Postal Agencies in Havana, Barranquilla and Cali. Also included is a proof strike of postmark and killer prepared for use at a U.S. Postal Agency in Panama (one of only two reported), earliest known U.S. Postal Agency in Havana (Apr 8, 1922), U.S. Postal Agency Barranquilla, U.S. Postal Agency Cali Colombia, various origins and destinations, processed by the Postal Agency, various markings, some apparently very elusive, with detailed descriptions provided by Mr. Kugel, who spent over a decade to assemble this presentation (web photo) 1,000.00

Spanish-American War

HAWAII

Although the Hawaiian Islands were not directly involved in the Spanish-American War, Honolulu served as a transit point for the troops being shipped across the Pacific. Even though Hawaii was annexed by the United States on 12 August 1898, postage stamps of the former Republic of Hawaii remained valid for postage and UPU rates applied on civilian and business mail from the islands to the U.S. mainland until June 1900.

Honolulu
25 September 1898
- October 1898

Troops in Transit

CUBA

Key West, Fla.
8 May 1898

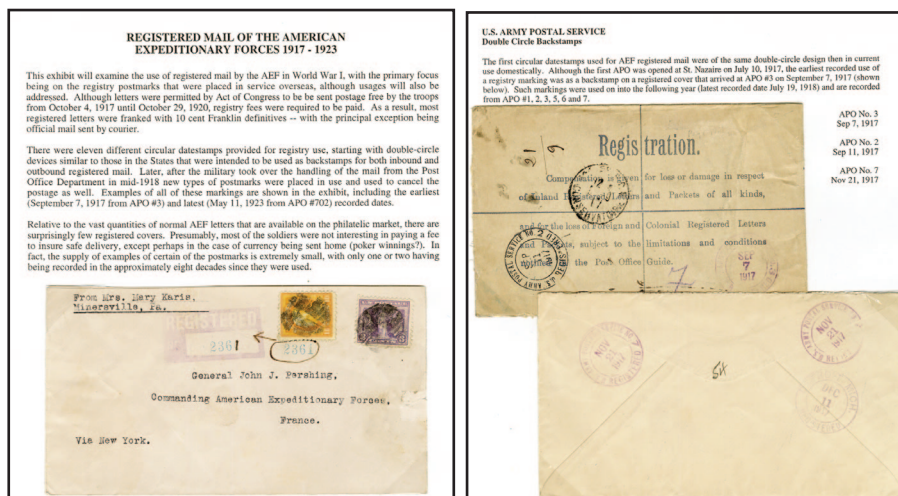
Havana, Cuba
9 April 1904

Following the Spanish-American War, the U.S. stationed Marines on the Dry Tortugas off Florida in the event that intervention in Cuba were required subsequently. This example of an "afterrunner" cover from Fort Jefferson was sent through Havana as the most convenient route to the addressee in Syracuse.

The U.S. declared war on Spain on 21 April 1898 and began to assemble a force to invade Cuba. This cover from Key West on 8 May is endorsed "Marines Letter" and signed as censored by 1st Lt. Albert McLenore of the First Marine Battalion. It is an extremely early example of mail from the Spanish-American War and the only recorded cover with such censorship.

- 4018 ☒ 1898-1904 selection on pages and loose (partial exhibit), 30 covers or cards, with "Troops in Transit", two covers from Honolulu to USA, one "The Flag we want waving over Hawaii Net" patriotic cachet, each with Postage Dues assessed on arrival, covers from various training camps, Patriotic cachets including "On to Havana", "On to Porto Rico" and others, early letter (8 May 1898) from Key West, endorsed "Marines Letter", registered cover addressed to Major General Gonzales Parrado in Havana (the General served as the second-in-command of the Spanish army in Cuba and was also the President of the Spanish Commission, which played a crucial role in the policy decisions related to Cuba's future), also large part of a registered cover from Yokohama, Japan to a U.S. officer in Manila, etc., mixed condition, excellent nucleus for further study and expansion 1,000.00

World War I - American Expeditionary Force (AEF)



4019 ☒

Registered Mail. 1917-23 single frame (16 pages) exhibit showing various postmarks used by the AEF on registered mail, 26+ covers or cards, presented chronologically, including 1919 cover addressed to General John J. Pershing, Commanding AEF in France, franked with 3c Victory and 10c Franklin, with Minersville, Pa (Apr 21) departure pmks; there are APO No.2, 3 and 7, one from Indian FPO 40 at 2nd Division HQ in France, sent to a French interpreter assigned to the AEF, provisional double circle pmks, Registry boxes, Censored mail, MPES markings, "U.S. Army Postal Service No.1" handstamp (one of only three examples recorded), Officer's mail, parcel wrappings, YMCA cover with MPES No.705, another from MPES No.716B, Military Mission in Berlin, "Postal Express Registered" cover to NY, franked with pair of 13c Franklin (possibly the only known AEF mail franked with 13c stamps), cover with "American Commission to Negotiate Peace" corner card cacheted, with single 10c franking, U.S. Postal Agency Shanghai, China, registered from A.E.F. Siberia, single 10c franking, canceled Oct.2, 1918, censored Lieut. Lester K. Ade (this being the only recorded registered "U.S. Postal Agency Shanghai China" registered from Siberia), also small YMCA cover registered U.S.P.A. Siberia (July 11, 1919), also Official Mail sent by Courier, Postal Express Service covers, Registration forms, latest recorded AEF postmark (May 11, 1923), mixed condition, an exceptional presentation (considering the vast amount of AEF mail available to collectors, only a few registered covers are known)

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United States Army at War (World War II)

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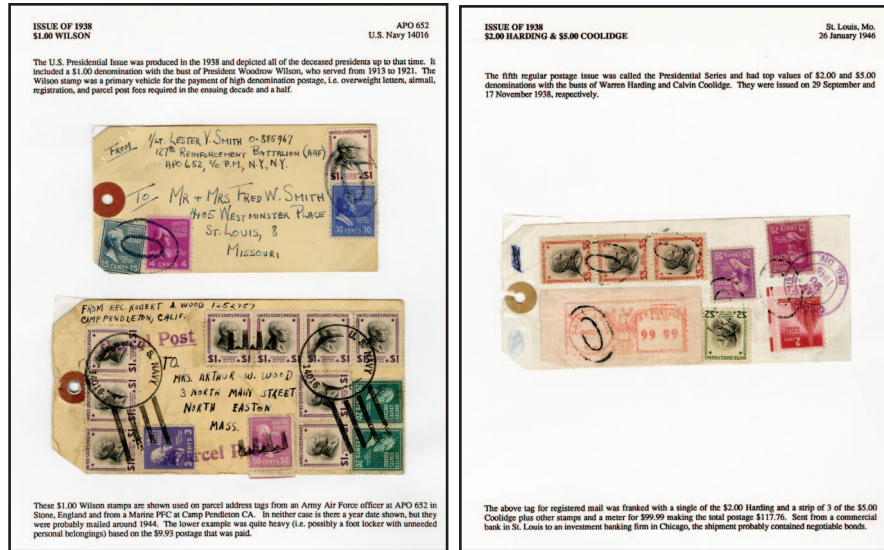
"The U.S. Army and its Postal Service Abroad during World War II 1941-45" Exhibit, offered mostly intact (a few items were removed and are offered in this sale), 390+ covers and cards illustrating APO numbers, Military Postal Markings from American Base Forces, BPO markings, RPS markings and Auxiliary markings, Postal Rates for U.S. Troops and Official Mail, APO use by Non-US Army Personnel (including Civilian personnel, Foreign and UN Officials, Red Cross, etc.), APO Incoming Mail, Army Censorship, V-Mail, POW mail, various Offensive Operations in the Western Hemisphere, Europe and Africa, China-Burma-India Theater, South West Pacific Area, Central Pacific Area, etc. The collection begins with an unused Japanese stationery postcard depicting bombing of Pearl Harbor and ends with "Japanese Forces Surrender U.S.S. Missouri Tokyo Bay Sep 2 1945" cover. A spectacular insight into the scope of the heroic operations of U.S. Armed Forces during World War II, basically a 100-volume library/PBS Documentary series presented through a Postal History exhibit, courtesy of Al Kugel (web photo).....

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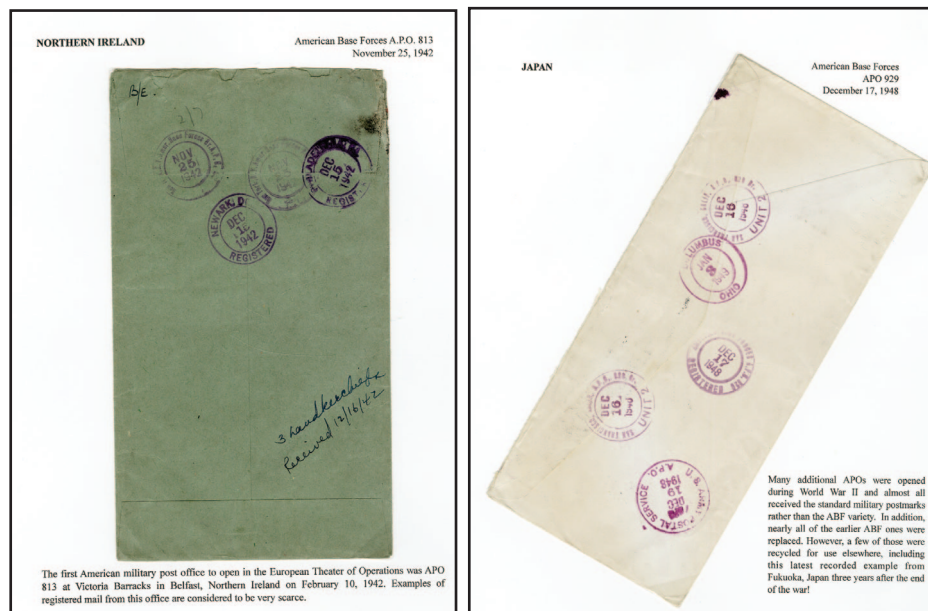
Army Post Offices, Mail to Foreign Destinations and incoming mail to APOs from foreign senders during WWII, collection of 50 covers or cards, forming a two frame (32 pages) exhibit, destinations include Aruba, Barbados, Colombia, India, Mexico, Honduras, Peru, Venezuela, Sweden, Iceland, Italy, Switzerland, Yugoslavia, Egypt, Northern Rhodesia, South Africa, India, Belgian Congo, Palestine, China, Manchuria (marked "Mail Route Blockaded, Return to Sender"), Australia, New Zealand, many with U.S. franking, various origins (Egypt, Austria, Antigua, Germany, Italy, Tokyo, Dutch New Guinea), censor cachets or labels and more. The incoming origins include Tonga, Antigua, St. Lucia, Brazil, in-transit from St. Lucia to Trinidad, Iceland, Russia, Morocco, Tunisia, Uganda, Palestine, India, Japan, Dutch New Guinea, New Caledonia, Wallis & Futuna, etc., various censor markings, excellent insight into the extent of APO presence in the world during World War II (web photo).....

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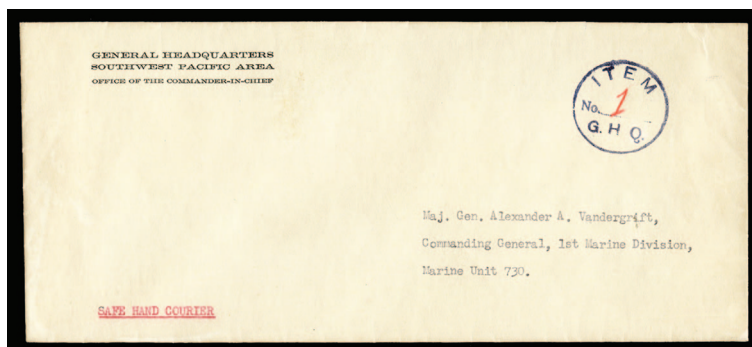
"Prxies Go To War", single frame (16 pages) Exhibit offered intact, showing the individual Presidential Series issue on cover or card, used from various APO locations throughout the world, including Newfoundland, Virgin Islands, Post-War Military Mission in China (1948), Hawaii, U.S. Occupation Army in Germany, Morocco, Australia, New Caledonia, Egypt, England, Trinidad, Tunisia, Post War Occupation A.P.O. in Japan, 1945, Fiji, New Hebrides, Philippines, "U.S.S. Henderson" and U.S. Navy FPOs, domestic usages, tag for registered mail franked with single \$2, strip of 3x\$5, other stamps and a meter for \$99.99, paying total \$117.76 postage. Also included is a previous definitive \$1, \$2, \$5 Liberty on registration tag, plus cover with \$2 Capital and pair of 17c Buchanan on registered cover to Canton, China, backstamped San Francisco on December 6, 1941, Honolulu 9 July, 1942 and back to Yakima, Wash. on 3 Aug 1942. An interesting and well selected presentation

1,500.00

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Registered Mail. 1941-48 single frame (16 pages) exhibit showing Registered Mail of the American Base Forces, 24 covers, with American Forces in Newfoundland (APO 801, 801A, 801B, 801-C) including "Marine Det. Argentia, Newfoundland", Bermuda (APO 802, "Marine Det. Bermuda Br."), Trinidad (APO 803, 803-A, "Mar.Det.Trinidad"), Jamaica (American base Forces A.P.O.804, Mar.Det.Portland Bight Jamaica Br.), St. Lucia (American Base Forces A.P.O. 804 and "Mar.Det.St.Lucia, Windward Islands"), Antigua, Greenland, Iceland, Aruba, Northern Ireland (American Base Forces A.P.O. 813 at Victoria Barracks in Belfast), Australia (July 1945) and Japan (American Base Forces APO 929, Dec.17, 1948, latest recorded example from Fukuoka, Japan), a remarkable presentation

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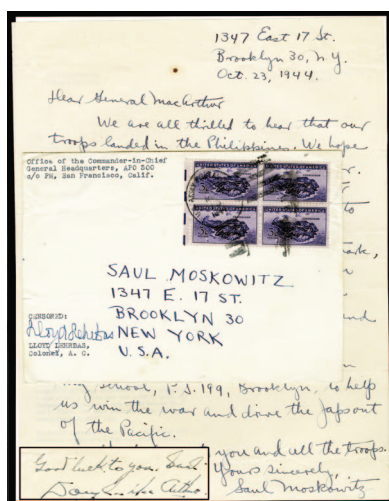


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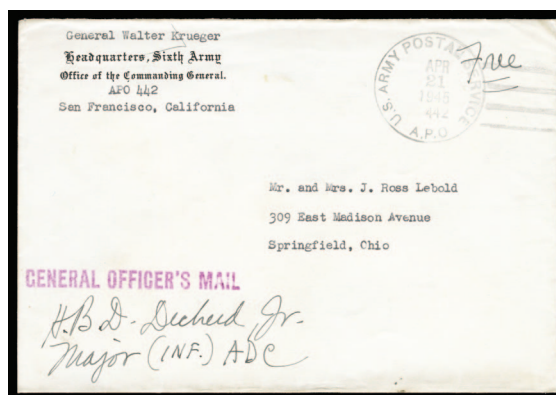


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- 4024 ☒ **Military Mail.** 1942 General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area Office of the Commander-in-Chief corner card cacheted cover sent by General MacArthur in Australia, marked "Safe Hand Courier", addressed to General Vandergrift on Guadalcanal, likely immediately after the landing there on August 7th, 1942, as it is designated "G.H.Q.Item No.1". The Marine Unit 730 operated on the island from that date until December 22, 1942 150.00
- 4025 ☒ 1943 (13 Mar) "HQ 1 Army Corps. USA Office of the Commanding General", corner card cacheted cover from Lt.General R.G. Eichelberger, APO 301 (Rockhampton, Australia) addressed to General George G. Marshall, Chief of Staff at the Pentagon, marked "Personal", "Passed by Base 1600 Army Examiner" and self-censored by sender, franked with 6c Air Mail stamp tied by magenta APO cancel, scarce (Gen. Eichelberger first saw action in World War II in December 1942 in Buna, on the island of New Guinea and with support of the 18th Australian Brigade, achieved what was then one of the first ground victories against the Japanese. In September 1944 he took command of the newly activated U.S. Eighth Army in Netherlands New Guinea. The following months saw him effectively employing amphibious tactics to lead his forces through many severe island engagements on New Guinea and New Britain. In 1945 he launched the Philippines re-occupation campaign, mopping up Japanese resistance in Mindanao. With the Japanese surrender, Eichelberger landed a small detachment at Atsugi Air Field to begin the Allied occupation of Japan) 250.00

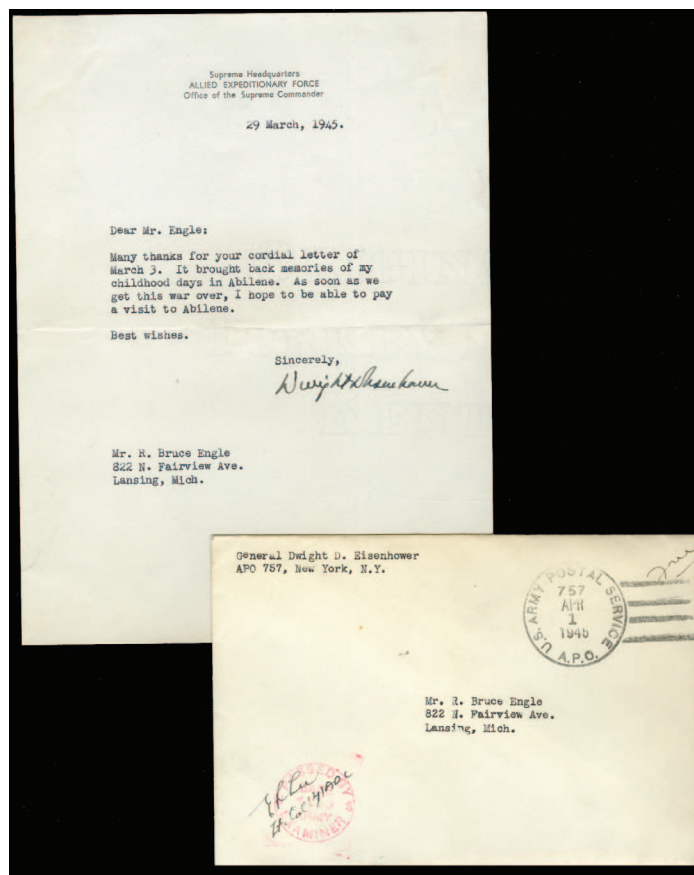


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- 4026 ☒ 1944 (3 Nov) cover from APO 500, Office of the Commander in Chief, addressed to NY, with the original letter from a 10 year-old stamp collector addressed to General MacArthur, requesting that his sent stamped and self addressed cover be returned, postmarked from Manila or Bataan, remarkably complied, letter signed at bottom: "Good Luck to you Saul / Douglas MacArthur", sent back to the determined stamp collector. APO 500 was at Hollandia, New Guinea and MacArthur rarely provided his autograph 150.00
- 4027 ☒ 1944 (21 Apr) U.S. Army APO 442, cover from General Walter Krueger, HQ Sixth Army corner card cachet, endorsed "Free", sent to Springfield, Ohio, fine. APO 442 was located at Leyte 150.00



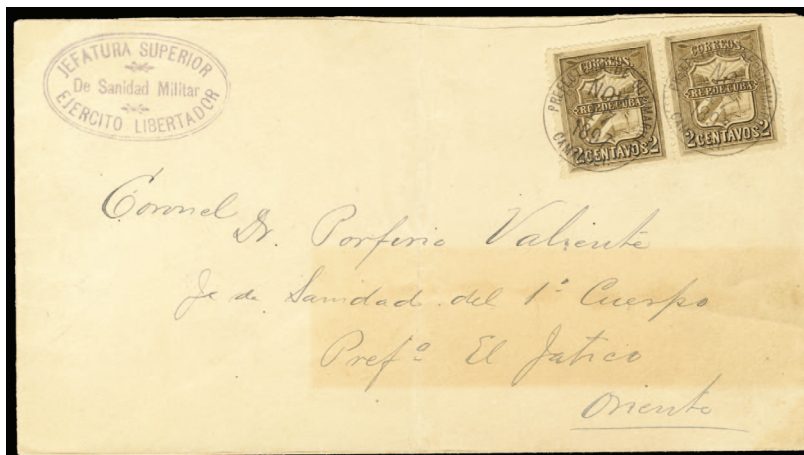
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1945 (29 Mar) "Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Force Office of the Supreme Commander" stationery letter signed by Dwight D. Eisenhower, with cover from APO 757, sent Apr 1, 1945, endorsed "Free", censored and sent to Lansing, Mich. SHAEF was located in Versailles, when this letter was sent

250.00

UNITED STATES POSSESSIONS

Cuba



4029 ☐

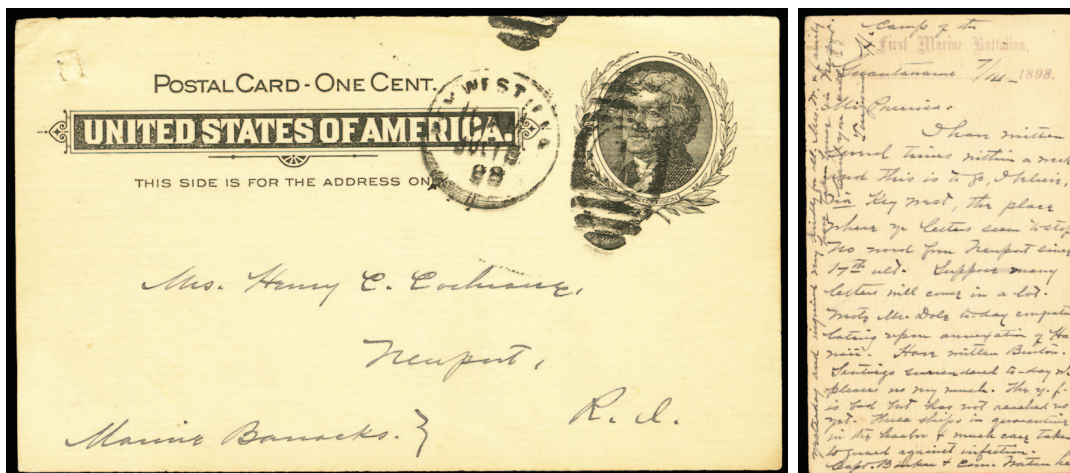
1897 (17 Nov) cover franked with Insurrectionist stamps, pair of 2c brown, tied by "Prefectura de Guaimarillo Camaguey" departure cds, with oval "Jefatura Superior de Sanidad Militar Ejercito Libertador" (HQ of the Medical Corps of the Liberation Army), addressed to the head of medical activity of the First Corps at Jatico-Tunas in Oriente Province, arrival pmk No.22, 1897, filing fold and some toning, otherwise fine, endorsed on back "this envelope was received by me from Cuba and used inside of Cuban lines", signed Seybold. According to Mr. Kugel, fewer than five (!) covers with this issue are recorded

500.00

4030 ☒

1898-1901 balance of an exhibit, 43 covers or cards on pages, showing many interesting and scarce markings, including a "discovery example" of previously unrecorded auxiliary "Received in Bad Order Havana P.O. Cuba" on cover from Madrid, "Military Sta. No.13 Cienfuegos", cover from "U.S.S. Columbia 1st Rate" from Guantanamo Bay to San Mateo, Calif., another from "U.S.S. Resolute" to a Naval Hospital in Norfolk; Quarantine Mail, including cover with the only recorded example of 3-line "Mil't'y Sta./Montauk N.Y." provisional handstamp, card from Columbia Barracks to Germany, "Military Station No.27 Matanzas, Cuba" card to Germany, Registered card and two covers, one endorsed "Soldier's Letter Moro Castle, Santiago, Cuba", "Military Sta. No.33 Sagua la Grande" and "Military Sta. No.34 Caibarien" handstamps (only a few recorded), "Military Station No.29" from Placetas, with two privately overprinted "Cuba 2½c de. Pso" in manuscript (one stamp damaged), plus many others (web photo).....

2,500.00



4031 ☒

1898 (18 July) 1c stationery card from Maj. Henry Clay Cochrane, second in command of the First Marine Battalion in Cuba, to his wife in Newport. Written at Guantanamo on 14th July, noting that "Santiago surrendered today". The card was delivered by ship to the post office at Key West and placed in the mails four days later. This is the only recorded piece of Marine mail from Guantanamo during the Spanish-American War

500.00



4032 ☒

1898 cover to Norway, franked with vertical strip of 5x2c carmine, tied by "United States Post Office Military Station No.1, CUBA" handstamps, showing on back New York July 9, 1898 transit and "Kristiania" (23.7.98) arrival markings, trivial cover wrinkling, otherwise fine. The first military station opened at Daiquiri, Cuba on 23 June, 1898. The first postmark was undated, so "Earliest Use" cannot be documented. Based on an average of about 2½ weeks delivery time from Cuba to U.S., this cover, which transited NY on 9 July, would possibly have been included in the first mail dispatch from Daiquiri. It is furthermore a cover to a foreign destination, possibly the only one sent during that time

500.00



- 4033 1899 (24 Jan) cover to New York, franked with 2c and 3c Bureau issues (the latter with straight edge), canceled duplex and "Military Sta. No. 7 Gibara", Havana (30 Jan) transit and New York (Feb 3) arrival pmks on back. A rare usage from Gibarra (at the time a small village on the northeast coast), only a few recorded with this marking 250.00



- 4034 1899 3c on 1c black violet, tied by blue oval grid of Santa Cruz del Sur on cover addressed locally to Puerto Principe, blue company oval datestamp (15 Jan 1899) at bottom, stamp unfortunately defective, cover with folds and slightly reduced at right, fine appearance of one of the only two recorded Puerto Principe covers with "Santa Cruz del Sur" postmark (the other cover from the same correspondence, ex Robertson), cat. \$3,000.....(196) 400.00



4035

- 4035 1899 (3 July) registered Patriotic cover (45-star design) to Chicago, franked with 6x2c carmine, tied by "Military Station No. 26 Buena Vista" and Duplex markings, with corresponding Registry datestamp, Jacksonville, Fla. Transit and Chicago (10 July) arrival markings, backflap missing, otherwise fine. Ex-Molesworth 150.00



4036

- 4036 1899 (3 Aug) registered cover to Boston, franked with 10x2c carmine, tied by "Isabel de Sagua S.C." cds, supported by Registry datestamp, Havana transit and Boston (18 Aug 1899) Registry Division arrival, cover roughly opened with backflap faults, otherwise fine and impressive 150.00



- 4037 ☐ 1899 5c on 1c black violet, tied by Puerto Principe (2 Jan 1899) cds on cover to New York, insufficiently franked and marked "T" (Havana, Cuba) and on arrival in New York (Jan 14) and "Due 10 Cents", implemented by adding a 10c Postage Due on reverse, tied by cds, with additional markings, cover roughly opened and defective at right, additional filing folds, still fine and incredibly rare, cat. \$6,000.....(198) 1,000.00



- 4038 ☐ 1899 (2 May) registered cover to Spain, franked with 5c and 10c surcharges, with "Military Station No.1 Santiago de Cuba" departure datetamp, registry oval and label added in New York, arriving Madrid 24 May, cover with corner repair, otherwise v.f.(225,226) 150.00



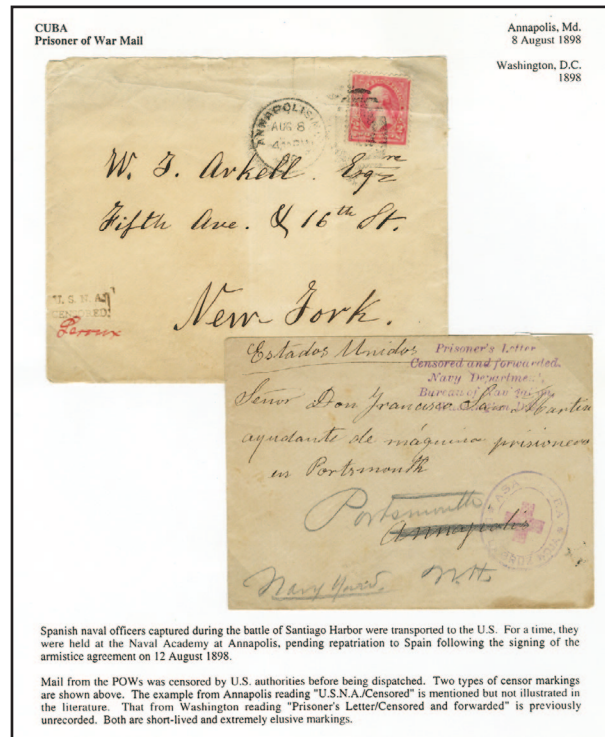
- 4039 ☐ 1906-09 American Troops in Cuba, eight covers or cards neatly displayed on four exhibit pages, showing markings from Marianao, Guanajay, Columbia Barracks, including registered letter from the post hospital at Columbia Barracks to USA, Marines mail from Sancti Spiritus and Baracoa, incoming mail from Lajas, forwarded mail, etc., mixed condition, mostly fine 500.00



4040 ☒

1917-22 a small exhibit of 16 covers or cards, neatly written-up on eight pages, with Station Ship at Guantanamo Bay, Marine Mail U.S. Navy, 9th Regiment covers, with censor markings, Earliest and Latest Recorded examples of 7th Reg. U.S.M.C. Santiago, Cuba, also "U.S. Marine Detachment Camaguey Cuba", Censor markings "Passed by Censor Second Lieut. U.S.M.C." and others, two Registered covers, each used 7 May 1919 (these are the only two recorded examples of Registered Mail from this U.S. Intervention)

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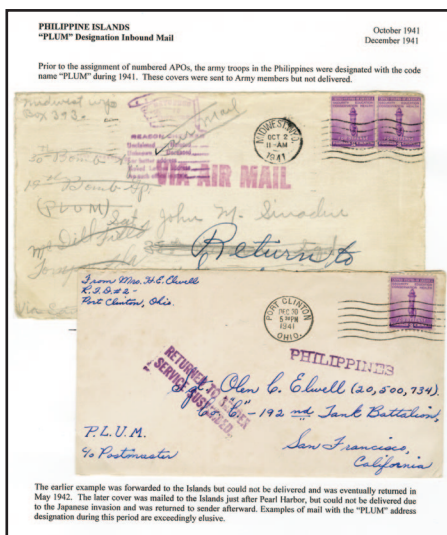
4041 ☒


Prisoner of War Mail. 1898 two covers from Annapolis, Md and Washington, D.C., showing "U.S.N.A. Censored" and "Prisoner's Letter Censored and Forwarded Navy Department Bureau of Navigation, Washington, D.C.", the latter with Spanish Red Cross handstamp applied on arrival, fine and extremely rare pair of covers from Spanish naval officers captured during the battle of Santiago Harbor. They were transported to the US and held briefly at the Naval Academy at Annapolis, pending repatriation to Spain following the signing of Armistice agreement on 12 Aug, 1898

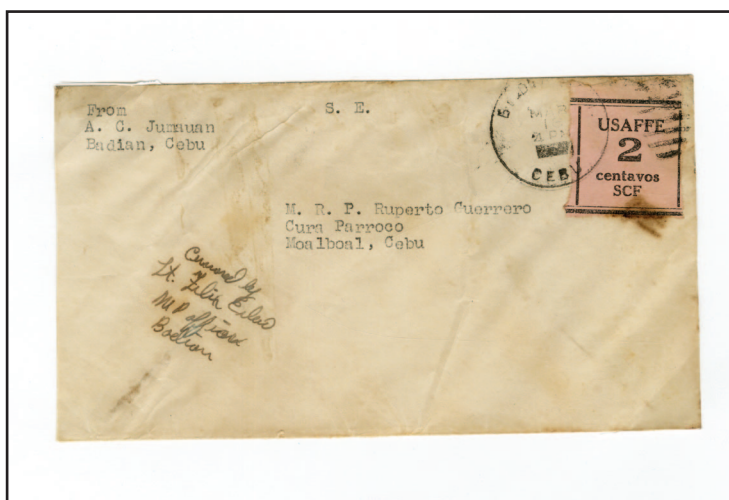
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Philippines

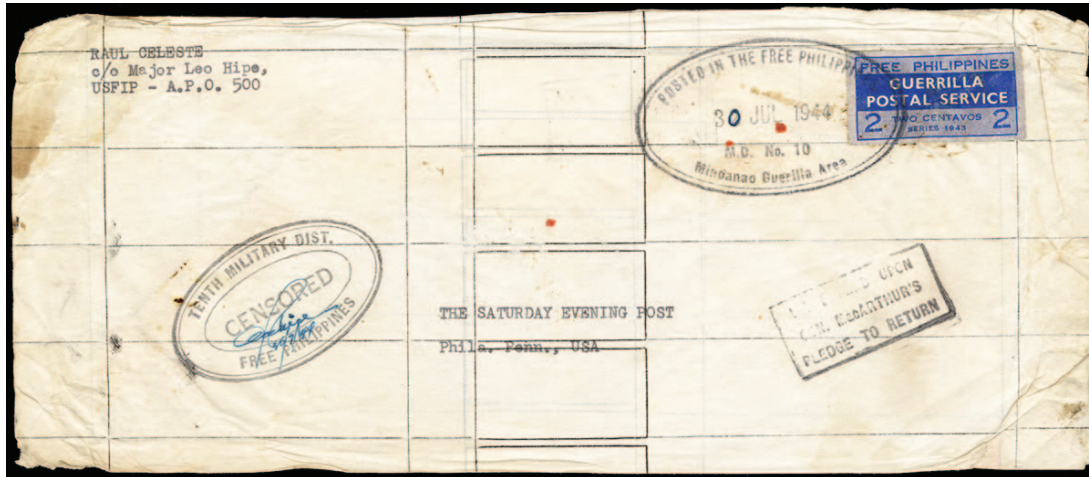
- 4042  "Postal Markings of the U.S. Military Stations in the Philippines 1898-1902", partially prepared exhibit of 60+ covers or cards, mostly on pages, including Transport Post Office Forerunners, "Remember the Maine" patriotic cacheted cover from Hong Kong to Iloilo, Military Station markings, Registered cover from "U.S. Military P.O. Sta San Francisco, Cal. U.S.A. No. 1 Philippines" to Hong Kong, others to Wei-Hai-Wei and Tonkin, red violet arrival pmk, incoming registered cover from Mauritius to Manila, "M.O.B." marking, disaster mail ("Damaged Mail off S.S. Morgan City, Manila P.I. 9.30.99") cover addressed to Iloilo (The U.S. Army transport "Morgan City," a chartered steamship, sank while making passage through the Inland Sea of Japan. The ship was en route from San Francisco to the Philippines, carrying recruits for the U.S. Army), Military Station Dagupan, Jolo, Luzon, San Fernando, Military Station Siassi, Zamboanga, etc. Also included is a card from Hungary addressed to Aguinaldo, "chief of the rebels of Manila", plus a cover with Revolutionary franking, paying postage and Registry fee between two Rebel-held towns, mixed condition, remarkable assembly (web photo) 5,000.00



- 4043  **Military Mail.** 1941 three covers, one from Kahuku, Hawaii to USA, showing return address of HQ 192nd Tank Bn., designation "PLUM", plus two covers addressed to "PLUM C/o Postmaster", sent October and December 1941, both "Returned to Sender Service Suspended" handstamps, scarce group ("PLUM" was the code name for the U.S. Army in the Philippines in the buildup to World War II) 250.00



- 4044  1943 (ca) cover from A.C. Jumuan, franked with specially prepared local label inscribed "USAFFE 2 centavos SCF" (denoting U.S.Armed Far East), tied by Badian/Cebu (16 Mar, 194?) pmk, sent to Moalboal, censored by hand at Badian by MP Officer, some toning and cover wrinkles, rare (a small quantity of these labels was printed locally to serve as postage stamps in the areas held by the Philippine Guerilla fighters) 1,500.00



4045 ☒

1944 (30 July) legal size cover franked with 2c "Guerilla Postal Service", tied by oval "Posted in the Free Philippines 30 July 1944 M.D.No.10 Mindanao Guerilla Area", addressed to The Saturday Evening Post in Philadelphia, boxed "We Defend upon Gen.MacArthur's Pledge to Return" handstamp, "Tenth Military District" censor cachet, showing return address of Raul Celeste C/o Major Leo Hipe USFIP APO 500, wrinkled, with some toning, nevertheless a fine cover (released in 1943, this Philippine guerilla stamp was intended for use on the island of Mindanao. It is referred to as the "Free Philippines Guerilla Stamp" and was approved by General Douglas MacArthur. The stamps were printed in Brisbane and were delivered by the U.S.S Naval submarine to the 10th Military District at Esperanza, Agusan province, Mindanao. Colonel Wendell Fertig received the stamps on 15th November 1943, at the time he was the commander of the largest group of guerillas in the Philippines. A few covers were prepared, canceled at HQ at Esperanza and delivered by courier internally or forwarded to Australia)

2,000.00

Puerto Rico



4046 ☒

1898-1900 collection of 19 covers or cards, written-up on exhibit pages, various frankings and destinations, Military Station No.5 Coamo, Military Station No.4 San Juan, showing "Advertised", "Dead Letter Bureau" and "Address supplied and forwarded", auxiliary markings applied in San Juan (not recorded in literature), "Official Business" Post Office Department envelopes to NY, Military Station No.3 Mayaguez, No.2 Guayama, incoming mail to Ponce, one handstamped "Military Station No.1 Washington, D.C. Ponce, Porto Rico" on cover from Canada, also Military Station No.6 Utuado, two covers with Trans-Mississippi adhesives sent from Caguas Station and Camuy, others from Bayamon and Arecibo, mixed condition, some extremely rare

2,500.00



- 4047 1898-1901 balance of an exhibit, 18 covers neatly displayed on pages, including letter posted Aug. 4, 1898 from an officer in transit to Puerto Rico, cover from "Mil. Sta. No. 1 Aug 3 98" (Opening Day of the Military Post Office, one of only three examples recorded), others showing "Military Station No. 1 Porto Rico" provisional RPO pmks, one an attractive Patriotic design, also "Mil. Sta. No. 7 Yauco P.R." provisional and normal steel duplex (with 2c Trans-Mississippi, rounded lower right corner), Naval Mail from "U.S.S. Panther" and "U.S.S. Monongahela", Military Station markings from Cayey Station, Fajardo Station, Humacao Station, Lares Station, Rio Pedras Station, San German Station, Vicques Station, some marked as "the only recorded" 1,000.00



- 4048 1898 (10 Oct) cover with framed "Soldier's Letter 1 Reg. U.S.V.E. Camp near Coamo Puerto Rico" ms endorsement, addressed to Baltimore, franked with 2x1c green, tied by unclear skeleton-type military pmks, sent from either Juana Diaz or Mayaguez (Military station "8" or "3"), extremely rare usage, with arrival (Oct 18) pmk on back, overall toning 500.00
- 4049 1899 two covers to USA with Trans-Mississippi franking, one with pair of 1c green, the other single 5c blue, Military Station San Juan Porto Rico departure pmks, with arrival pmks, fine-v.f. (Web photo) 150.00



- 4050 1899 (12 May) commercial cover to Germany, franked with 1c and 2x2c, tied by duplex pmks supported by "Aguadilla Sta. Porto Rico" departure cds, with Military Station transits and Hamburg arrival pmk, little toning, otherwise fine 150.00

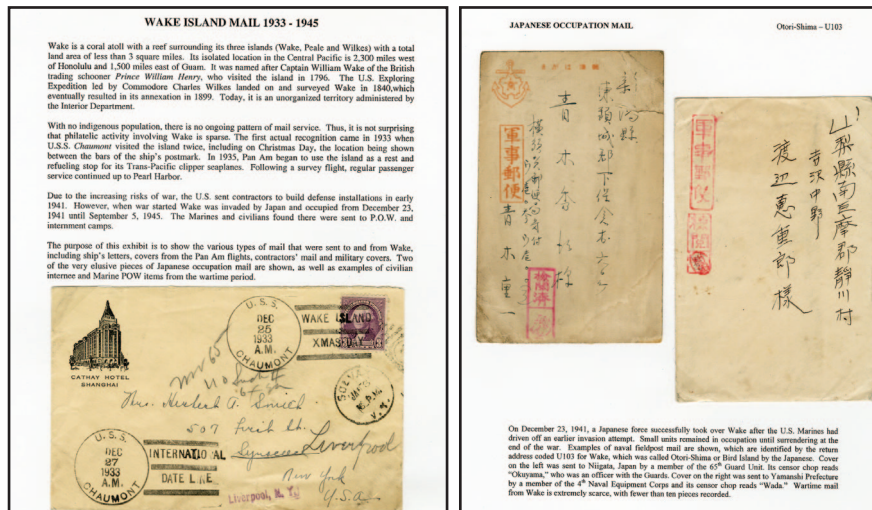


- 4051 ☒ 1899 two covers to USA with Trans-Mississippi franking, one with pair of 1c green, the other single 5c blue, Military Station San Juan Porto Rico departure pmks, with arrival pmks, fine-v.f. 150.00



- 4052 ☒ 1900 (25 Nov) Official Business Post Office "M.O.B." envelope to New York, with "Aibonito Sta Porto Rico" departure cds, San Juan transit and Dec.2 arrival pmks. Aibonito is a small mountain town and municipality, east of Coamo. It is the most obscure military station marking from Puerto Rico, one of only a few recorded 500.00

Wake Island



- 4053 ☒ 1933-45 single Frame (16 pages) exhibit with 23 covers or cards, showing various types of mail to and from Wake, including ship mail, Pan-Am flight covers, contractors' mail and military usages. There are two Japanese Occupation covers, civilian internee and Marine POW items from WWII. Naval mail is from U.S.S. Chaumont (Dec 27 1933), Flight covers include a cover from U.S.S. Nitro, Pan-Am Survey flight from Honolulu to Wake and Midway, only recorded Special Delivery mail to Wake Island, letter from a Marine on Wake sent on the last Pan-Am outbound flight Dec 5, 1941, cover to Pearl Harbor, "Transferred to Wake Island", returned to sender "Undeliverable", two Japanese Occupation covers, identified by address coded "U-103" ("Otori-Shima") (less than 10 pieces recorded), finally "Surrender Plea Flight Wake Island" cover with U.S. Navy 1 Sep 1945 pmk 1,000.00

ALLIED INTERVENTION IN RUSSIA - NORTH RUSSIA

United States forces in North Russia



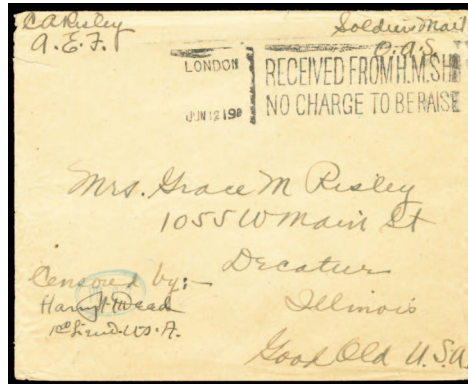
- 4054 1919 YMCA cover to USA, endorsed "American Soldier", with a perfect strike of "Army T.P.O. No.1 / 12 Jy 19 / N.R.E.F.", violet "Passed as Censored A.E.F." cachet at bottom, fine. This is one of only four recorded covers from American troops showing use of the postmark of the British TPO in North Russia 750.00



- 4055 1919 (24 Feb) cover franked with Russian 2x15k adhesives, tied by Archangel departure cds, addressed to a Private Percy Collar, HQ 339th Infantry American North Russian Expeditionary forces, violet "Censure Militaire Archangel 4" and Archangel (29 Feb) transit markings on back. This is one of only five (!) examples recorded of local mail to U.S. soldiers in North Russia. Censorship of Russian civilian mail was under the control of an allied commission headed by the British, American and French officers 500.00



- 4056 **Naval and Maritime Mail.** 1918 (6 Nov) cover to Rhode Island, sent by E.M. Palmer in Murmansk, with "U.S.S. Olympia Foreign Service" pmk, violet "Passed by Censor" hs, fine. ("U.S.S. Olympia became famous as the flagship of Commodore George Dewey when he said "you may fire when ready, Gridley" during the Battle of Manila Bay) 500.00



- 4057 1919 cover to Decatur, Ill., endorsed by "C.A. Risley, A.E.F.", censored by Lt. Harry Mead at Archangel, carried on a British ship with "Received from H.M. Ship No Charge to Be raised" applied in London, dated Jun 12, 19 and endorsed "Soldier's Mail O.A.S.", fine cover sent during withdrawal of the AEF from North Russia (Lt. Mead later recalled his experience in North Russia in "The Polar Bear Expedition: The Heroes of America's Forgotten Invasion of Russia, 1918-1919", by James Carl Nelson)

300.00

British forces in North Russia



- 4058 1919 Incoming mail, two covers, one from London to "North Russian E.F.", with boxed "Base Record 3 May 1919" arrival, Army Base markings and "Unable to Trace Base A.P.O.P.B.", the other cover is from Colchester to Archangel, N.R.E.F., with "Force Evacuated to UK/Return to Sender" handstamp, P.B.2 pmk on back. A fine pair of incoming covers to the British soldiers in North Russia, both markings are "discovery" examples, only two recorded

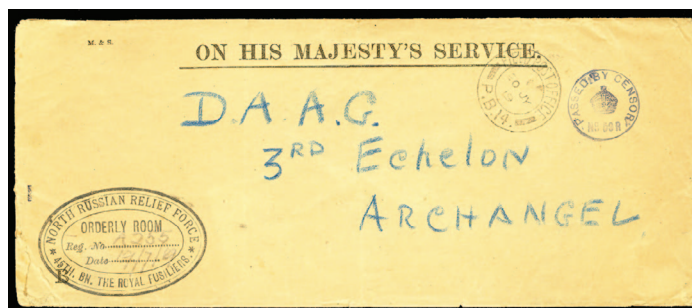
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- 4059 1919 (16 June) registered cover from Archangel to "the Illustrated London News", paying 50k with 3x10k and 20k Russian Arms, tied by departure cds, Registry handstamp alongside, Base Censor No.13 label and additional "The British Censorship is not responsible for the absence of stamps from the cover of this postal packet" typewritten flimsy, stapled at left, fine and rare, actually the only recorded example of this typeset form produced in Archangel for use on civilian mail


500.00

- 4060  1919 (30 July) free-frank cover from Field Post Office P.B.66 to England, opened Base Censor No.16 label, additional "Passed by censor" in black and red, also "P.C." and arrival pmks, fine soldier's letter from Archangel to England (web photo) 250.00




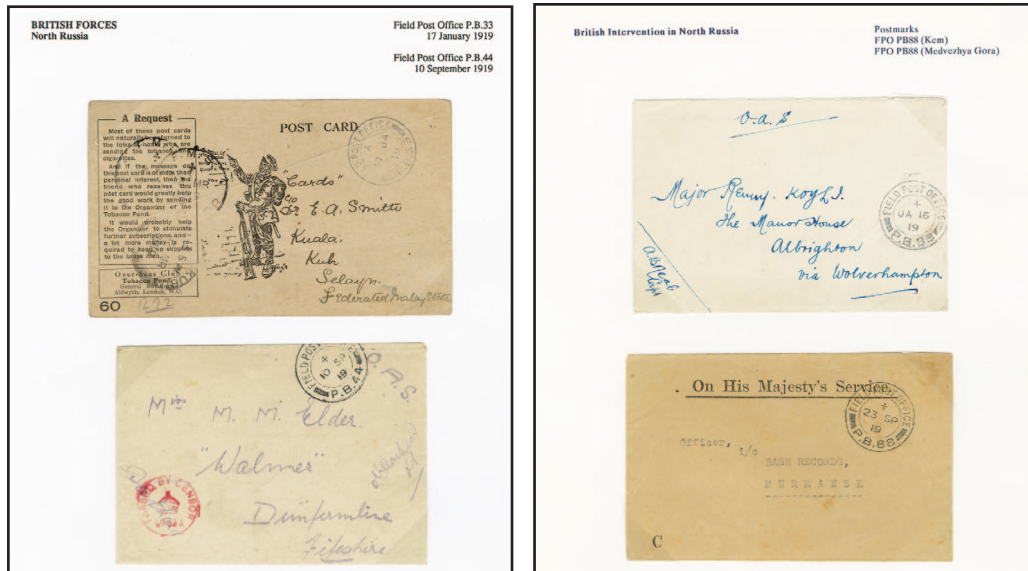
- 4061  1919 (20 July) "On His Majesty's Service" official, legal-size envelope to D.A.A.G. Archangel, with Field Post Office P.B.14 departure cds, "Passed by Censor No.59R" and oval "North Russian Relief Force 45th BN. The Royal fusiliers Orderly Room" cachet, backstamped on arrival "Army Post Office 27 July", fine (FPO 14 serviced Sadlier-Jackson Brigade at Troitsk and Yakolevsk from 4th July to 31 August 1919) 500.00



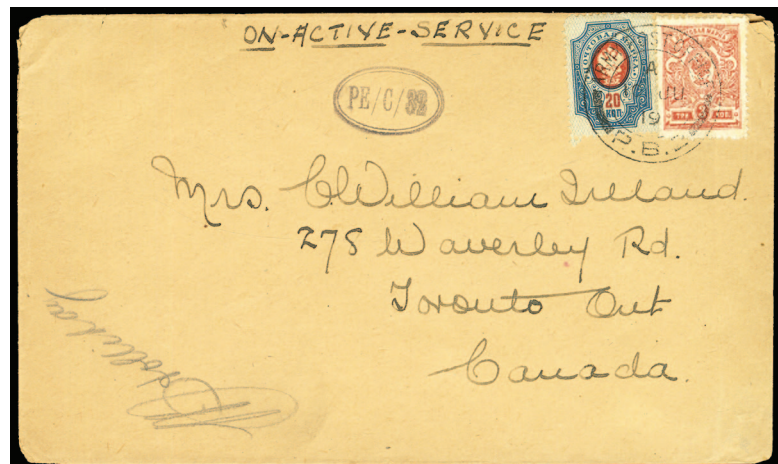
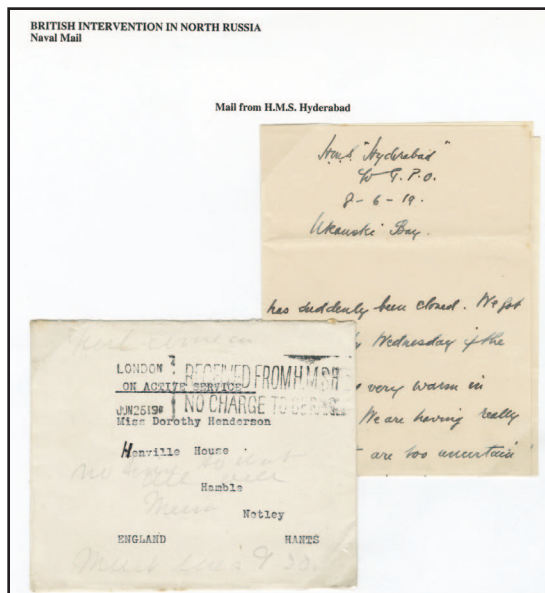
- 4062  1919 (16 Aug) "O.A.S." cover to England, "Field Post Office P.B.13" departure pmk, Opened by Censor P.W.576 label and violet "Passed by Censor No.84R" handstamp alongside, fine (FPO 13 was established at Troitsk, 200 miles southeast of Archangel to serve Grogan's Brigade, from 1 July to 16 August, 1919) 250.00



- 4063  1919 "On His Majesty's Service" cover, marked "very urgent", with typewritten message from a Lt. Col. R.L.Lake to Lt. Macpherson, Veterinary officer in Ust-Vaga (a village in Bereznikovskoye Rural Settlement of Vinogradovsky District, Arkhangelsk Oblast), asking if he is willing to remain in North Russia for additional three months, "A.D.V.S. Archangel" and "Army Signals" markings, extremely rare example of Courier mail 250.00



- 4064 ☒ 1919 four covers or cards displayed on exhibit pages, with Field Post Office P.B.33 and P.B.44 (Pechenga and Bakhariza), the former a "tobacco card" addressed to Malaya (with Kuala Lumpur arrival), also FPO P.B.88, "On His Majesty's Service" from "Kem" and "Medvezhyegorsk" (the latter, sent to Murmansk), fine dispatches from uncommon origins 1,000.00
- 4065 ☒ 1919-20 two free-frank covers with "Field Post Office 201" departure pmks, one YMCA to Yokohama, with arrival pmk, the other to New York (addressed to a person who ran a mail forwarding service between POWs in Siberia and Austria), each with arrival pmk, some wear, unusual examples of unpaid international mail from the British soldiers in North Russia (web photo) 300.00



- 4066 ☒ **Naval and Maritime Mail.** 1919 (8 June) cover (with letter) to England, posted on board "H.M.S. Hyderabad", datelined "Ukanskaya Bay", sent by Surgeon Commander Wm. Keir, forwarded by Naval pouch, with 25 June 1919 arrival and "Received from H.M. Ship / No Charge to be Raised" handstamp, fine 250.00

Canadian forces in North Russia

- 4067 ☒ 1919 (10 June) cover with Russian franking sent from Archangel to Toronto, endorsed "On Active Service" (Russian stamps were unnecessary), showing return address of the 16th Brigade, Canadian Field Artillery, oval censor handstamp, fine 250.00

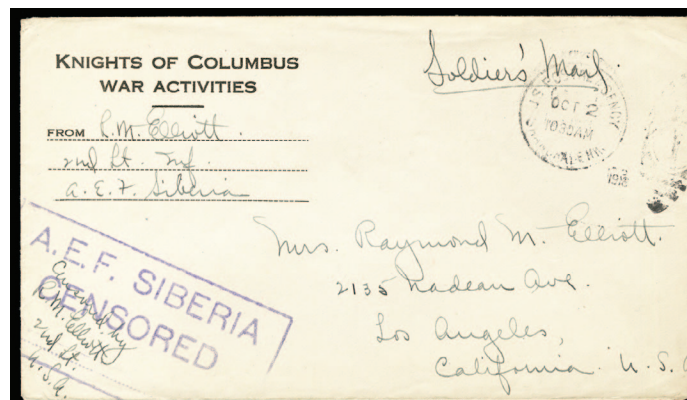
ALLIED INTERVENTION IN RUSSIA - SIBERIA

United States forces in Siberia



4068

- 4068 ☒ 1918 (7 Nov) picture postcard (U.S. Soldiers on the march) to Chicago, endorsed "Somewhere in Siberia, Soldier's Mail", written in Czech, canceled "U.S. Postal Agency Siberia", with a bold red-violet "Passed by Military Censorship A.E.F. Siberia" (Type C-14 (No.5) handstamp, fine and rare, only 6 (!) recorded) 500.00



4069

- 4069 ☒ 1918 (2 Oct) "Knights of Columbus War Activities" corner card cacheted cover to Los Angeles, endorsed "Soldier's Mail", canceled "U.S. Postal Agency Shanghai, China", A.E.F. Siberia Censored cachet, fine (U.S.P.A. Siberia borrowed the USPA "Shanghai, China" cancel and used it from 25th September to 17 October, 1918. Altogether, 57 (!) examples are recorded (of which 17 are in the Smithsonian), all struck in black, poor to barely legible strikes are the norm) 200.00



- 4070 ☒ 1918 two covers, endorsed "Soldier's Mail" or "Officer's Mail", each with "U.S. Postal Agency Shanghai, China" departure pmks, boxed A.E.F. Censored handstamps, neatly displayed on exhibit page 300.00



4071 ☒

1918 (18 Dec) Headquarters American Expeditionary Forces, Siberia corner card cacheted cover from Major General William S. Graves, commander of the AEF, Siberia, sent to his wife, endorsed "Soldier's Mail", with framed censor handstamp, self-censored by the General, fine cover, one of only three known with HQ corner card, latest recorded use of this "U.S. Postal Agency Siberia" rubber postmark

1,000.00



4072 ☒

1918-19 Personal "Soldier's Mail" printed stationery envelopes, three different, Lieut. Lester K. Ade, Lt. Col. T.W. King and O.P. Robinson, Col. General Staff, each with U.S. Postal Agency Siberia departure cds, different censor handstamps, one roughly opened at right, otherwise fine. A rare group (only 5 covers from four different officers have been recorded. This out of nearly 1,300 AEF Siberia covers)

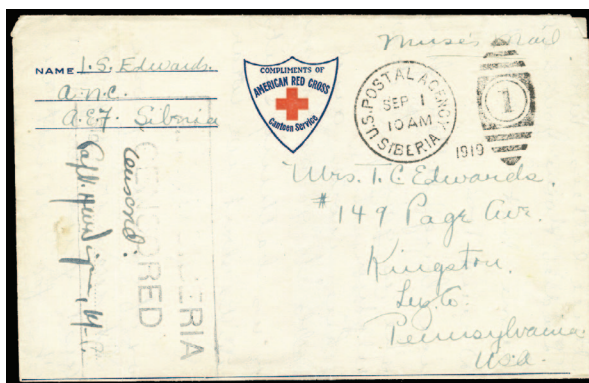
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- 4073 1919 U.S. 3c stationery entire envelope, Registered from Vladivostok to San Francisco, with violet registry box, "A.E.F. Siberia Censored M.R. Barrow, Base Censor" hs, "Supposed Liable to Customs" and oval "Free of Duty" handstamped on arrival, minor backflap flaws, extremely rare 1,000.00



- 4074 1919 (21 July) Japanese stationery lettersheet canceled "U.S. Postal Agency Siberia", endorsed "Soldier's Mail", censored, addressed to Portland, datelined "Suchan Mines" (the Suchan Campaign involved clearing and subsequent occupation of the mining region around Suchan (currently Partizansk) in a climatically-unforgiving region of Siberia during the Russian Civil War. The letter describes difficulties with mosquitos, etc.) (Japanese lettersheets were rarely used by the American Troops in Siberia) 500.00



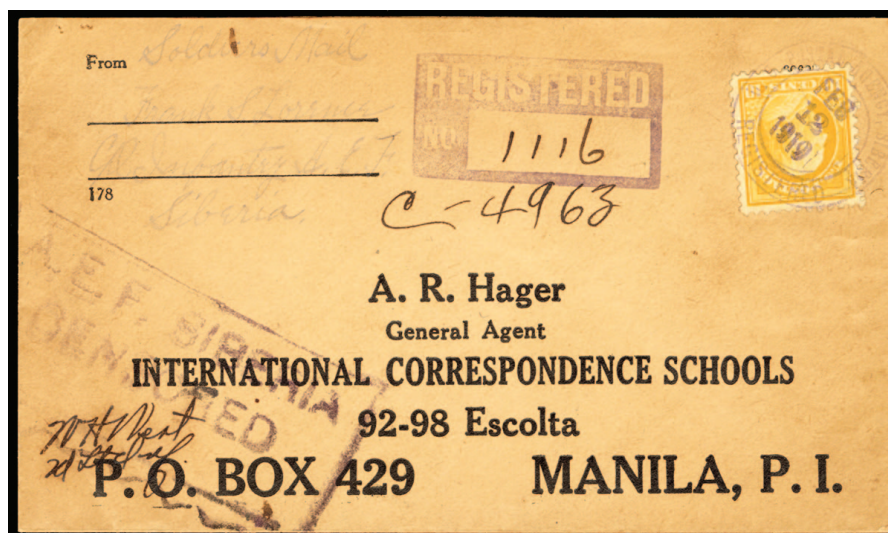
- 4075 1919 (1 Sep) "Compliments of American Red Cross Canteen Service" stationery lettersheet, endorsed "Nurse's Mail", canceled "U.S. Postal Agency Siberia", censored and sent to USA, with "Siberian Commission American Red Cross" handstamp on back, scarce example of the donated special stationery to the U.S. Troops in Russia 150.00



4076 ☒

1919 Russian Railway Service Corps, two covers to USA., each with Russian franking, sent from Harbin, one from Col. G.H. Emerson (general manager of the Great Northern, head of the RRSC), sent via the British Field Post Office 201 (22 Aug 19), A.E.F. Siberia (self) censored, the other from Lt. Turner to Reynolds, N.D., "Opened by Censor" label, with violet Russian censor handstamp on back

500.00



4077 ☒

1919 (12 Feb) U.S. Postal Agency Siberia, registered cover, franked with 10c orange, tied by violet departure pmk, addressed to Manila, P.I., A.E.F. Siberia censor handstamp at left, with additional departure and arrival pmks on back. There are only 25 recorded Registered letters sent from A.E.F. Siberia, this being the only known cover addressed to a destination other than the United States

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- 4078 ☐ **Naval and Maritime Mail.** 1919-21 selection of 10 covers and cards, from "U.S.S. Helena" and "U.S.S. Sacramento" (both are the only recorded examples from the Siberian Intervention), "U.S.S. Brooklyn", three covers, including a registered cover (with letter), "U.S.S. Albany" and "U.S.S. New Orleans", all described on exhibit pages, mixed condition, fine showing of U.S. Naval presence in Siberia

5,000.00



- 4079 ☐ 1920 "U.S.S. South Dakota", two covers to USA, one YMCA "Sailor's Mail", the other with 2c franking, fine. (In 1918, President Woodrow Wilson ordered the U.S. Army's 27th and 31st infantry regiments to Siberia to help the White Army against the Red Army. In the summer of 1919, the "U.S.S. South Dakota" was ordered from Europe to the Pacific to serve as flagship of the Asiatic fleet and during the winter of 1920, the ship was stationed off Vladivostok, along with the "U.S.S. Albany" to aid in the withdrawal of American troops from Siberia)

500.00



- 4080 1920 "U.S.S. South Dakota", registered, legal size cover sent by a Naval Surgeon from the ship to Grand Rapids, franked with 10c orange, showing "U.S.S. South Dakota Feb 4 1920 Registered" departure pmk and arrival (Feb 23) on back, minor cover tears, probably the only recorded Registered mail from U.S. Naval Forces, Vladivostok, Siberia. Also included cover from "U.S.S. Saturn", canceled U.S. Postal Agency Siberia, with "U.S.S. Saturn" handstamp, officer's censor signature alongside

1,000.00



- 4081 1922 (14 Aug) American Consular Service Vladivostok, Siberia, registered cover to Seattle, franked with 2c and 5c (2) definitives, tied by violet "U.S. N.R. Sta. Russian Isl. Vladivostok, Siberia" departure pmk, repeated twice on back, with arrival (29 Aug), cover roughly opened at right, scattered tone specks, fine and the Only Recorded example of this postmark on cover. (U. S. Naval Radio Station, Russian Island was located on Russian Island, Siberia (Vladivostok). The station established communication with Peking, Cavite, Guam and with ships within range of the station and as far as Paul and Cordova, Alaska. Cable was laid from the station to Vladivostok, a distance of about fifteen miles, for both telephone and telegraph service at the headquarters of the American Expeditionary Forces and at the Russian Island Red Cross Hospital. As Government traffic. The station remained in U.S. control, furnishing communication to and from the American Expeditionary Forces in Siberia and with vessels of the Fleet in Chinese and Japanese waters)

1,500.00

British forces in Siberia



- 4082 1918 "On Active Service" cover from a member of the 9th Hampshire Regiment in transit to Omsk, sent through the Chinese Post Office in Harbin to England, dated 22/12/18, franked with 10c Junk on back, departure pmk on front, fine example of use of local post office prior to the establishment of the British postal facilities in Siberia

200.00



Even before the Canadian SEF left Vladivostok, the British Military Mission set up its own post office. An undated postmark was introduced on 20 April 1919 and used into mid-June. The initial type is recorded in violet and black (used above on covers sent by a member of the 9th Hampshires from Omsk). The second version without "Post Office" in the center was used in June; the one shown above is the only recorded example.

4083

- 4083 1918-19 collection of nine covers or cards, displayed on exhibit pages, including On His Majesty's Service cover sent through the Canadian Siberian Expeditionary Corps Post Office, various "British Military Mission/Post Office" markings, censored mail, Earliest Date of use of "British Military Post Office Vladivostok" pmk, Canadian YMCA cover and HQ British Military Mission to Siberia stationery, cover from "H.M.S. Kent", British Warship used as a station ship for the Royal Navy in Vladivostok, etc. A fine collection

1,000.00



Incoming mail to British forces in Siberia is so scarce that deduction of postal rules is risky. However, it appears from observed examples that even mail from the British Empire paid UPU rates to Russia. Cover from India was marked for receipt at the BMM post office both before and after resealing and then forwarded back to India.

4084

- 4084 1919 cover and card addressed to members of the British forces in Vladivostok, the former from Madras, India, with King George V franking, "British Mission Post Office Vladivostok" (Ju 18, 1919) arrival markings, redirected back to Madras, Hong Kong and Shanghai transit pmks on back, the latter from Hong Kong (15 Apr 1919) to Sgt. Cunningham 25th Middx Regt., Vladivostok, extremely rare incoming mail to British soldiers in Siberia

500.00



4085



4086

- 4085 ☒ 1919 (16 June) "Field Service" cover (opened for display) to India, with "British Mission Post Office Vladivostok" departure pmk, censored at bottom, transit pmks on back include "Shanghai Br.P.O." (Jy 26), Hong Kong and Bombay (Aug 19) arrival pmk 200.00
- 4086 ☒ 1919 (May) "On Active Service" cover to India, franked with Russian 20k and 50k, tied by Vladivostok departure pmk, sent through the British Consulate in Irkutsk, with Czechoslovak Field Post handstamp, censored in Vladivostok and by the British, with Hong Kong transit and "Dhanushkod 4 July, 19" arrival, fine (British forces were stationed in Omsk, Irkutsk and Ekaterinburg supporting the Czech Legion. After departure of the Canadians in May 1919, the British used Czech traveling FPOs to move mail across Siberia) 200.00



- 4087 ☒ 1919 "On His Britannic Majesty's Service" cover, with letter from the Acting British Consul in Krasnoyarsk to British Military Mission in Vladivostok, showing "Ceskoslovenske Vojsko Polni Posta, Cis.5" FPO mark, arrival "British Mission Vladivostok Post Office" July 19, 1919 arrival, part of backflap missing, fine example of British Official mail sent through the Czech Field Post 250.00

Canadian forces in Siberia



- 4088 ☒ 1918 (23 Nov) Canadian YMCA cover to St. Catharine's, Ontario, "Canadian Field Post Office Siberian Exp. Force" departure pmk, boxed "Headquarters C.E.F. Siberia" censor handstamp, endorsed "On Active Service", minor backflap tears, fine cover with exceptionally clear strikes 250.00



4089 ☒

1918-19 collection of eight covers or cards, displayed on exhibit pages, including "En Route Mail" from members of the second contingent that sailed from Vancouver to Vladivostok, forwarded mail from Bahamas, with "C.E.F.S. Vladivostok" handstamp (one of only five (!) recorded), "Base Depot Siberia" cover with FPO Canadian Siberian Exp. Force cancel, another "on active service" cover from Omsk, "Canadian Siberian Expedition", etc., fine lot

1,000.00



4090 ☒

1918-19 collection of eight covers to Canada, each showing a different censor cachet, numbers 1,2,4,5,6,7,9 and 10, written-up on three exhibit pages, Field Post Office Canadian Siberian Exp. Forces cachets, locations identified "Egerscheldt", "East Barracks", "West Barracks", Naval Hospital Vladivostok, etc., mixed condition, rare group, only 3-11 of each recorded

1,500.00



4091 ☒

1919 (23 Apr) Registered free-frank cover from Harbin to Capt Le Hain, c/o British Consulate, Vladivostok, with Harbin Railway Station P.O., manual "Registered" and oval "Postage Due" ("1r" inserted by hand), "British Military Mission Post Office" and Russian censor markings, showing "6th Signal Company C.E.F. (Siberia)" in blue of the Canadian Forces, manual "255" inserted in pencil, fine and rare cover

250.00

Chinese forces in Siberia

CHINESE INTERVENTION IN SIBERIA

In late 1917, General Horvath invited Chinese troops into the Russian-controlled areas of Manchuria to secure the Chinese Eastern Railway against Russian revolutionary forces. On 15 May 1918, China and Japan agreed to use Chinese troops, under Japanese direction, in Siberia against any Bolshevik threat. The retreat of armed anti-Bolshevik forces into Manchuria in August 1918 led the Japanese to insist on the commitment of Chinese troops to service in Siberia itself.

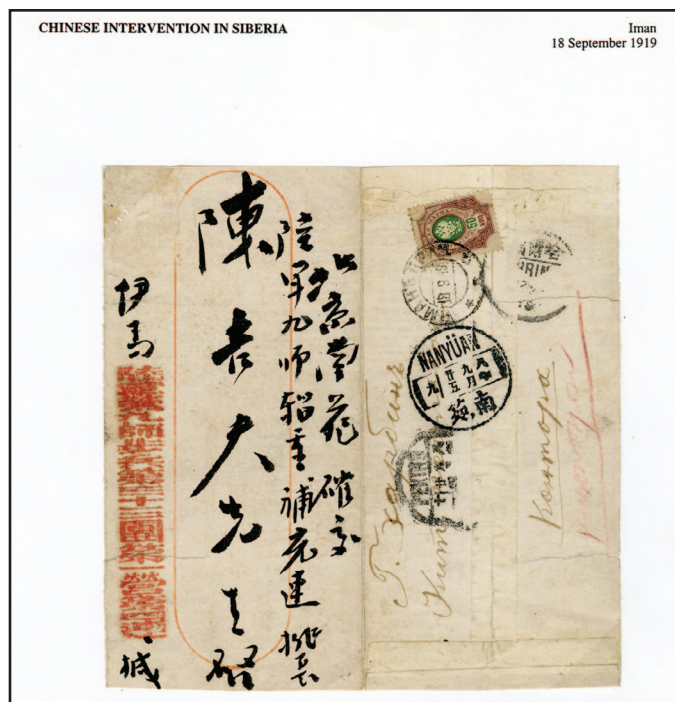
Shown in this exhibit are six of the seven recorded examples of mail from/to the Chinese intervention forces.

Nikolsk Ussurisk
4 November 1918

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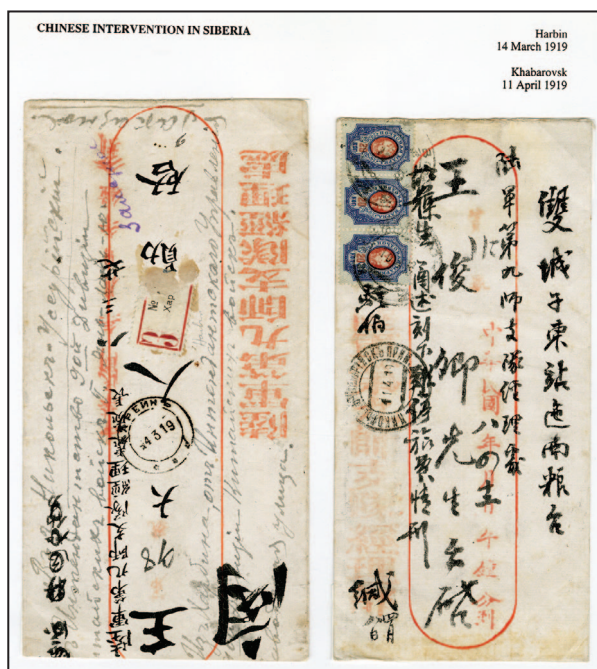
1918 (4 Nov) native cover from Nikolsk Ussuriysk, sent via Harbin to Peking, franked with Russia 15k red brown & blue, perf. pair, tied by double ring departure cds, with red handstamp indicating "Chinese Army, 3rd Company, 3rd Regiment, 9th Division", directional tape on reverse "Harbin, Chinese Postal Service", with Peking arrival pmk. fine. (Russian General Dmitry Leonidovich Horvat invited Chinese troops into the Russian-controlled areas of Manchuria to secure the Chinese Eastern Railway against the Bolshevik forces. No Chinese field post offices were established, so mail was sent through the Russian civil postal service. Personal mail required stamps, while some official mail was sent free). This cover is one of only seven (!) recorded examples of mail to/from Chinese Intervention forces

2,500.00



- 4093 1919 (18 Sep) cover (opened for display) franked with 50k lilac & brown, tied by "Iman Prim." departure pmk and sent to Nanyuan, China. Red handstamp is the unit marking of the 1st Battalion, 33rd Regiment, 9th Division of the Chinese Army. The cover was sent to the base office of the 9th Division Army Service Supply Company in Nanyuan, probably a requisition for provisions, with Harbin transit markings, also bold bilingual "Nanyuan" and Peking arrival pmks, fine and incredibly rare cover (Iman is located on the left bank of the Bolshaya Ussurka River, about three miles from the Chinese border. Nanyuan was a township and area situated on the eastern side of Fengtai District, Beijing)

2,500.00



- 4094 1919 two native covers, one official registered mail sent unfranked from the 9th Division Commissariat Administration in Harbin to the unit Commissariat in Nikolsk Ussuriysk, Registry label mostly missing, handstamped "Zakaznoye" alongside, with departure (4.3.19) and arrival (5.3.19) markings. The second cover is franked with strip of 3x20k dark blue & red, tied by Khabarovsk (11 Apr) departure pmks, addressed to the Chinese Army Headquarters in Nikolsk Ussuriysk

5,000.00



4095 ☒

1919 (30 July) registered, red-band cover (opened for display), franked with two pairs of imperf. 15k red brown & blue, with perf. pair of 70k brown & red, paying 2 Rubles from the Garrison of the Chinese Headquarters in "Spasskoye", via Harbin to Peking, with Registry label, well struck departure, transit and arrival markings, fine and extremely rare registered cover from the Chinese Intervention Army in Siberia

5,000.00

French forces in Siberia



4096 ☒

1919-20 collection of 14 covers or cards, neatly written-up on six exhibit pages, showing variety of military handstamps used by the French forces, Fieldpost markings, censor and unit handstamps, mail via Japan, U.S. Postal Agency, Siberia, Colonial Battalion from Tonkin Naval cachet, "Artillerie Coloniale Batterie Siberienne" handstamps, Automobile and Aviation units, French Ski troops, incoming mail from United States and a registered cover from Japan, addressed to the Commandant, French Military Mission in Irkutsk, etc. A splendid representation of the French Army in Siberia

1,500.00



- 4097 ☐ 1919 two Canadian YMCA corner cacheted covers to France, each endorsed "Mission Française en Sibirie" and "F.M.", two different types of "Mission Militaire Française en Sibirie Service Postal" cachets, Paris transit pmks, minor cover wear, otherwise fine, one with a faint censor handstamp ... 250.00



- 4098 ☐ 1919 (Jan) free frank cover from Capt. Lelong "Mission Française Sibirie" to Seine et Oise, sent through the Czech fieldpost system, handstamped "Ceskoslovensko Vojsko Polni Posta", redirected on arrival in France. Also a picture postcard to Paris, sent through the Canadian Fieldpost, showing framed "Passed by Censor 009" handstamp, corresponding signature and faint "Canadian Expeditionary Corps" pmk alongside, cover somewhat ragged, otherwise fine and unusual pair of French Army dispatches through Czechoslovak and Canadian Fieldpost services 250.00



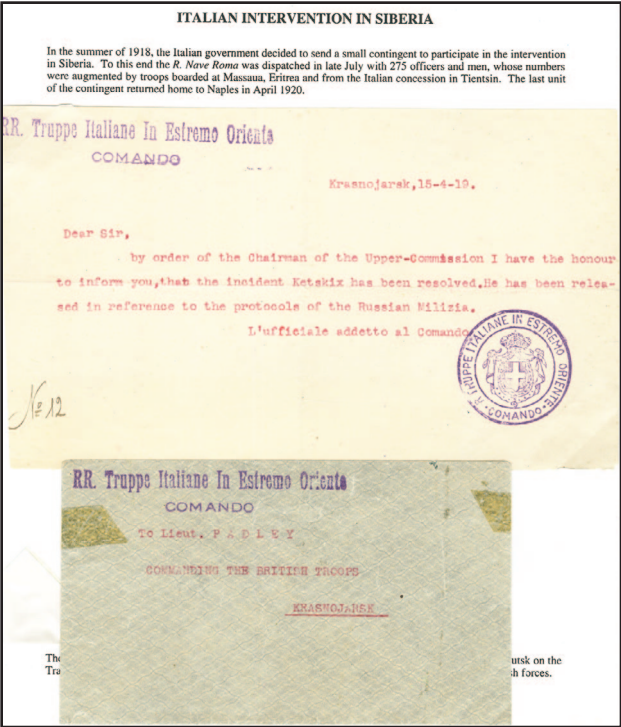
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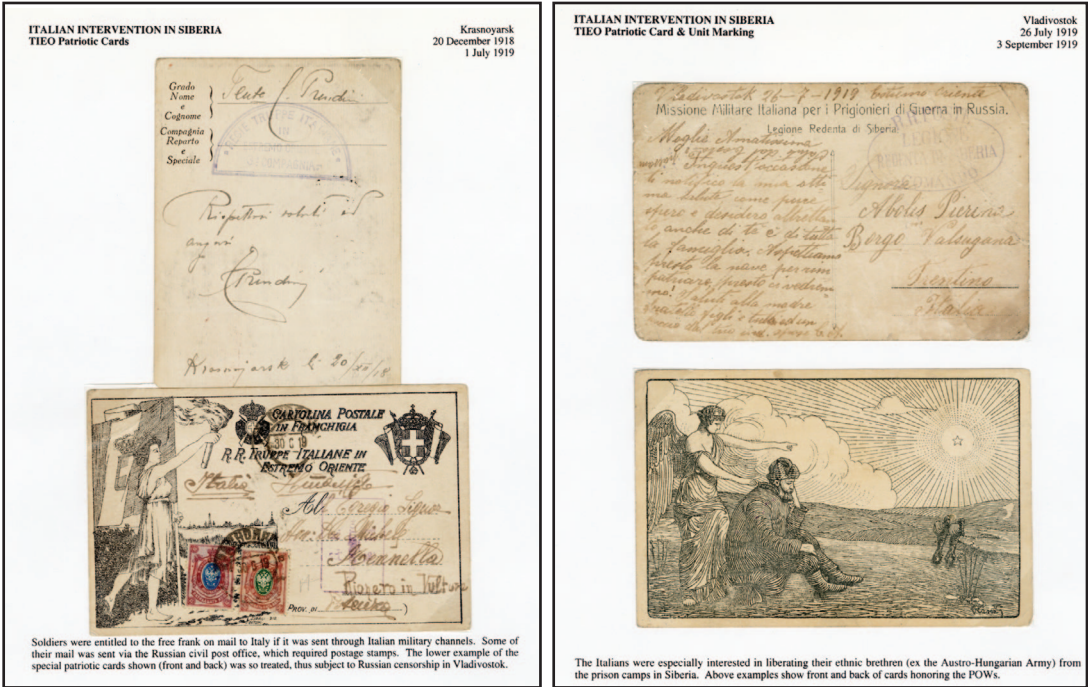
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- 4099 ☐ 1919 (3 Mar) YMCA corner cacheted cover to France, sent from Nagasaki, with 10sen adhesive, violet "Mission Militaire Française en Sibirie / Armee Tcheco-Slovaque Hydro-Glisseurs / Le Commandant" (French Hydrofoils), small Japanese chop (censor mark?), with arrival (17.4.19), backflap mostly missing, filing fold away from the stamp, fine and interesting usage via Japan 150.00
- 4100 ☐ 1920 (6 Feb) Canadian Siberian Expedition "On Active Service" corner cacheted cover to France, sent from Nagasaki, with 10sen adhesive, showing "H. Logis, Marechal de Logis Mission Militaire Française en Sibirie" (Logistics officer), minor tape stains, fine usage via Japan 150.00

Italian forces in Siberia

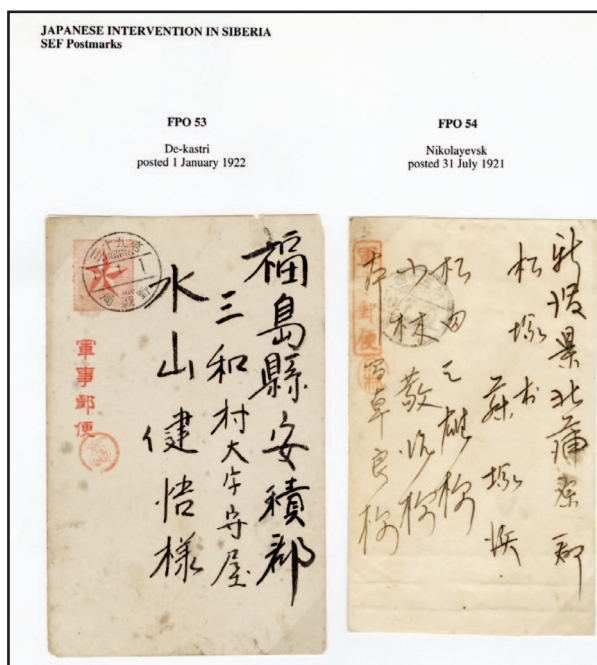
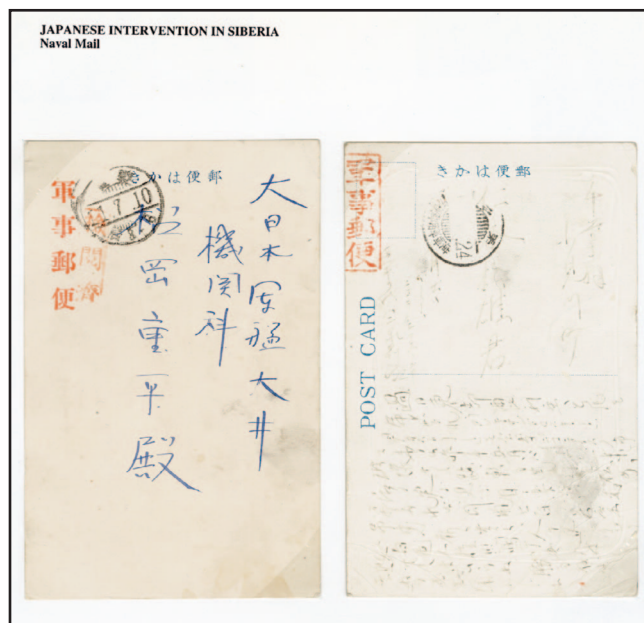


4101 1919 (14 Apr) cover, with letter from “R.R.Truppe Italiane in Estremo Oriente Comando” to Lt. Padley, commanding the British Troops, Krasnojarsk, delivered by courier, clear violet handstamps, cover with tape stains at sides, otherwise fine 250.00



4102 1919-20 collection of 12 covers or cards, neatly written-up on six exhibit pages, with “R.R. Truppe Italiane in Estremo Oriente” stationery postcards, sent from Krasnojarsk to Italy, one with Russian franking, censored in Vladivostok, cards with oval “R.R. Poste Legione Redenta di Siberia Comando”, boxed censor cachets applied on arrival in Bologna, mail sent through the Italian Post Office in Tientsin, other cachets include “Distaccamento Italiani Irredenti”, “Missione Militare Italiana in Siberia”, the latter applied on corresponding corner card cacheted envelope franked with Russian 1r imperf. tied by Vladivostok departure pmk and sent to Tientsin 1,500.00

Japanese forces in Siberia

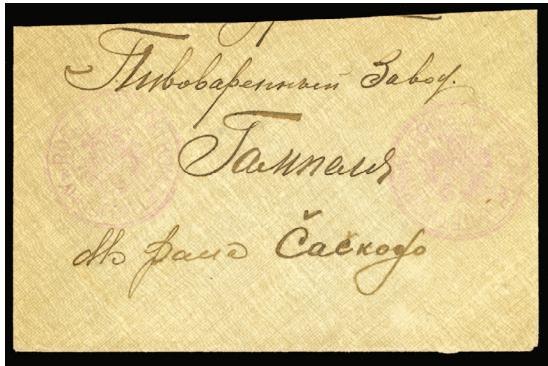


- 4103 ☒ 1919-20 collection of 29 covers or cards, neatly written-up on twelve exhibit pages, numerous Field Post Office markings, "Japonski komendant in Vladivostok" (Japanese commandant in Vladivostok) handstamp, military markings applied in Khabarovsk, Nikolsk, Pogranichnaya, Manchuli, Chita, Razdolnoye, Spasskoye, Ushumun, Verhneudinsk, Blagoveshchensk, Zeya, Nechinsk, Ushumun, Sretensk, etc. In addition, there are FPO markings from the Sakhalin Expeditionary Force (in March 1920, Bolshevik bandits massacred civilians in Nikolayevsk, including some Japanese. In response, the Japanese army occupied northern Sakhalin island), Naval Agency pmks, etc. A most comprehensive collection. (*The Japanese deployed 70,000 troops under the command of General Kikuzo Otani and penetrated as far west as Lake Baikal and Buryatia. By 1920, industrial conglomerates such as Mitsubishi, Mitsui and others had opened offices in Vladivostok, Khabarovsk, Nikolayevsk-on-Amur and Chita, bringing with them over 50,000 civilian settlers. After the international coalition withdrew its forces, the Japanese army stayed and continued to support Admiral Kolchak, later Ataman Semenov, whose government collapsed by 1922. In March and April 1922, the Japanese Army repelled large Bolshevik offensives against Vladivostok. Japanese casualties from the Siberian Expedition included some 5,000 dead from combat or illness, and the expenses incurred were in excess of 900 million Yen*) 2,500.00
- 4104 ☒ **Prisoner of War Mail.** 1920 Exhibit page with a postal card and front of a lettersheet to Austria and Germany, sent by POWs in "Pervaya Rechka" camp administered by the Japanese, showing special censor marks by the Russian and Japanese authorities (web photo)..... 250.00

Polish forces in Siberia



- 4105 ☒ 1918 (Sep) cover sent from the "Headquarters of the Polish Army in East Russia" to Samara, with 2.10.18 arrival pmk, red violet Army HQ handstamp, extremely rare, one of only a few recorded 500.00

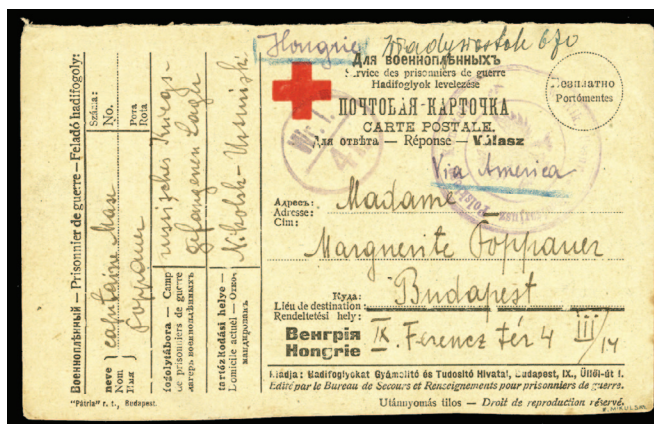


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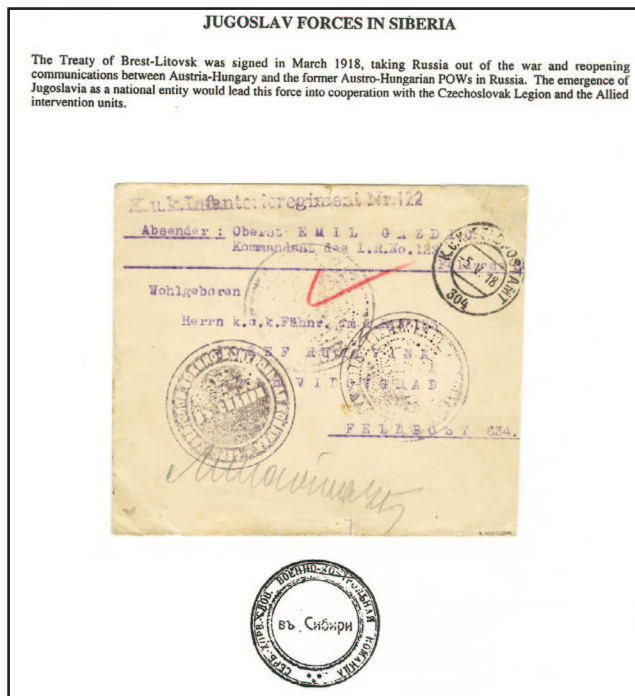


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- 4106 ☒ 1920 (ca) cover (reduced at top) with three strikes in red violet (one on reverse) of the rare "Polski Komitet Wojenny w Rosjii" (Polish Military Committee in Russia) handstamp, faint (undecipherable) arrival pmk, fine, extremely rare, only a few recorded 500.00
- 4107 ☒ 1920 cover addressed to a Colonel Le Magney in Vladivostok, endorsed "Personelle", with "Mission Militaire Francaise en Siberie Armee Polonaise de Siberie" cachet struck on front and back, carried through the "Czechoslovenske Vojsko Polni posta Cls.2", "A Repondre" in red crayon, fine and incredibly rare example of the Polish Army in Siberia unit embedded with the French Forces, sent through the Czech Legion post 500.00



4108



4109

- 4108 ☒ 1920 (9 Mar) Red Cross POW card sent by a Hungarian prisoner of war in a Russian Camp in Nikolsk-Ussuryjsk, mail via the delegate of the Polish Committee, with corresponding violet military cachet, censored in Warsaw, fine, extremely rare, if not the only known card from the Polish Army in Nikolsk-Ussuryjsk, signed Mikulski. The Polish Committee was arranging for repatriation of Polish ex-POWs in Siberia 500.00

Yugoslav forces in Siberia

- 4109 ☒ 1918 (May) cover sent by Emil Gazdic "Kommandant des I.R. No.122 Feldpost", to another officer of Slovenian origin, with Austrian Feldpost No.304 (5.V.18) arrival pmk, showing negative seal on front and cachet on back reading "Serb-Croat Slovene Military Control Headquarters in Siberia", fine, signed Mikulski. Described as being the "discovery example, the only recorded to date" 750.00

Czechoslovak Legion in Siberia



- 4110 ☐ 1918-20 collection of 21 covers or cards on exhibit pages, showing large Circular Bilingual postmarks, unit cachets, Field Post markings, YMCA labels, straight-line handstamps, Official Mail cover from the Czech Ministry of War, section in Irkutsk, soldier's free-franks, Registered Money letter, mail through the Russian Post Office, cards with "President Grant" postmarks (The "S.S. President Grant" made two trips from Vladivostok to Trieste, each time repatriating about 5,000 Legionnaires), mail to United States and to Yugoslavia, excellent representation of the Czech Army markings, mixed condition, some extremely rare items 2,500.00



- 4111 ☐ 1918-20 selection of 10 covers or cards, neatly written-up on five exhibit pages, including "Polni Posta/Poste Militaire", "Polni Posta Ceskoslovenskych Vojsk", unit cachet of the Epidemiological and Bacterial Diseases Research Institute (Vladivostok), "President Grant" ship markings (Czech troops on the way home via Tobolsk and Port Said), two covers from the Czechoslovak Purchasing office in Kobe, Japan, sent to Harbin, incoming mail from Prague and Japan, with Legion arrival markings, etc. 750.00



4112



4113

- 4112 ☒ 1919 cover from Hiroshima to Harbin, franked with 2x3sen red, showing return address of the Supplying Dept of the Czechoslovak Army in Hiroshima "Mizoguchi Hotel", various I.J.P.O. transit and Harbin arrival pmks, fine. (The Legion maintained supply offices in Japan) 250.00
- 4113 ☒ 1919 (ca) cover sent free of charge from Prague to a Czech Legionnaire in Siberia, forwarded three times, showing three different Legion FPO markings, fine and exceptional cover, signed Mikulski 500.00



- 4114 ☒ 1919 (26 Nov) picture postcard (Czech Army in Russia) datelined Irkutsk, endorsed "Polni Posta Ceskoslovenska vojska na Russi", addressed to Olomouc, with framed "Od Ceskoslovenskeho vojska Postovneho presta" (From the Czechoslovak Army Postage Free), some card toning and minor faults, scarce and unusual marking 500.00



- 4115 ☒ 1920 (24 Mar) picture postcard from Yokohama to "Czechoslovak Staff" Vladivostok, franked with 4sen red, tied by Yokohama pmk, with Vladivostok arrival, framed censor cachet, fine (incoming mail from countries other than Czechoslovakia had to be paid at international rates and was delivered by the Russian post office to the Czechoslovak field post) 150.00

ALLIED INTERVENTION IN RUSSIA - AZERBAIJAN



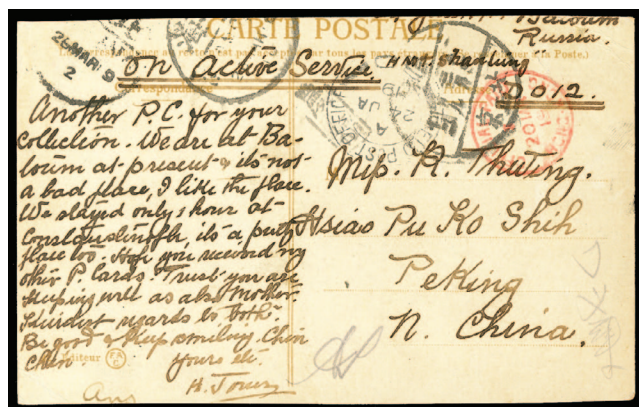
4116 ☒

1919 two covers and picture postcard from Baku to England or Scotland, showing Field Post markings of Indian FPO 81, Indian FPO 136 and Indian FPO 410, censor and arrival markings, fine and rare group (Baku was occupied by the 39th Brigade, detached from the North Persia Force in November 1918 and evacuated in summer 1919)

500.00

ALLIED INTERVENTION IN RUSSIA - BATUM and TIFLIS

British Occupation of Batum

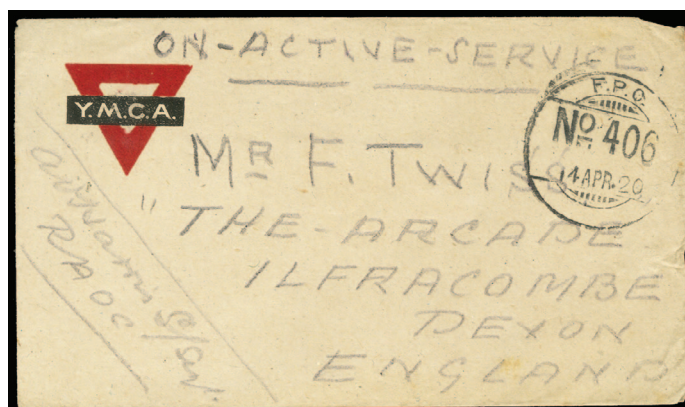


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4117 ☒

1919 (24 Jan) picture postcard (Constantinople), endorsed "On Active Service", date-lined "Batoum Russia", with British FPO 80 departure cds, addressed to China ("We are at Batoum at present, its not a bad place"), with Hong Kong transit and Peking (25 Mar) arrival pmk, fine card from Batum to a most uncommon destination

300.00



4118

4118 ☒

1920 (14 Apr) YMCA corner card cacheted cover, "On Active Service" endorsement, Indian FPO 406 departure pmk, sent to England, fine (Batoum was occupied by the 80th Brigade of the 27th Division from 23 Dec 1918 until 8 July 1920)

200.00

British Occupation of Tiflis



4119 ☒

1919 three covers or cards from British FPO 81, British FPO D.27 and British FPO T.27, all used from Tiflis, Georgia, showing different departure and censor markings, fine and scarce group, neatly written-up on exhibit page

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ALLIED INTERVENTION IN RUSSIA - SOUTH RUSSIA

Belgian Intervention in South Russia

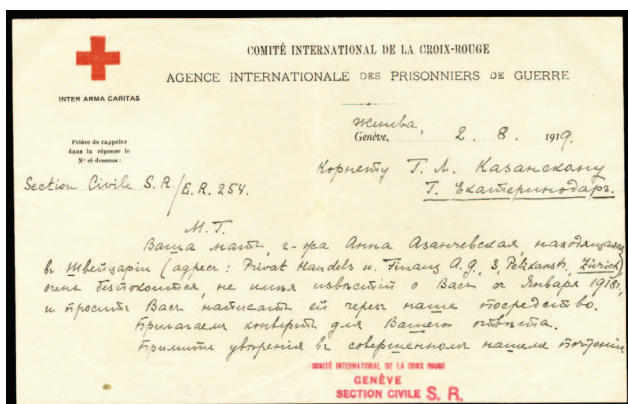


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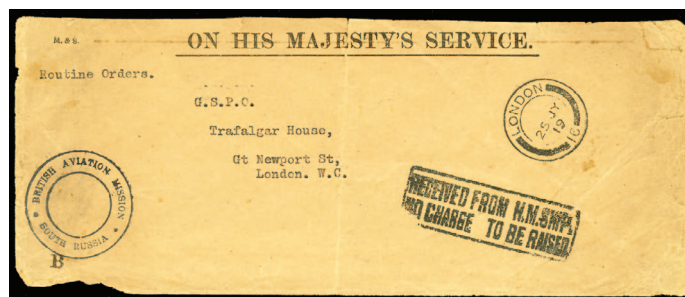
1920 cover from the representative of the Belgian Military Mission in South Russia (backflap imprint "Le Representant Militaire de Belgique en Russie Commandant du Genie Marcel de Rover") and corresponding cachet on front, franked with South Russia block of 4x35k dark blue, transported by military pouch to England, where it entered the mails in London on 22 January, 1920. (There is no mention in literature of the Belgian Military Mission in South Russia, this cover is one of only two recorded)

500.00

British Intervention in South Russia



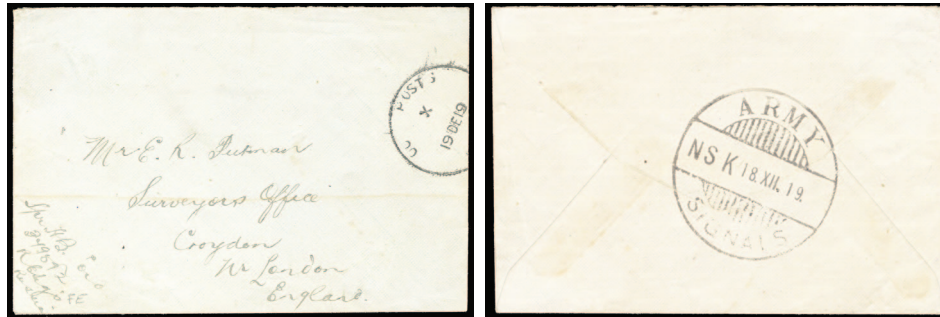
- 4121 ☒ 1919 (29 Sep) "Comite International de La Croix-Rouge" cover (with letter) from the Red Cross tracing service in Geneva, seeking information concerning a T.A.Kasarkosny at Ekaterinodar, handed by Royal Air Force office ("Squadron Royal Air Force" datestamp), forwarded to Taganrog, returned to Geneva (The 47th Squadron F.A.F. was assigned to the Army of the Black Sea, with HQ at Ekaterinodar. The oval unit cachet is previously unrecorded). Also included is the original envelope to Geneva, marked "Franc de Port" 500.00




- 4122 ☒ 1919 (9 Apr) The North Caucasian Oil Fields Company Limited Grozny, South Russia, Registered cover to British Military Mission in Ekaterinodar, handled by the Russian Postal System, with 12x15k and 6x5k Imperial Arms issues, with arrival pmk on back, cover faults, rare incoming mail from Grozny (today capital of Chechnya, Russia) 200.00
- 4123 ☒ 1919 "On His Majesty's Service" official cover to London, undated "British Aviation Mission South Russia" and "Received from H.M.Ship No Charge to be Raised" cachets, London (25 Jy 19) arrival, filing fold and cover wear, this is the only recorded example of the British Aviation Mission cachet used in Russia 500.00



- 4124 ☒ 1919 cover from Rostov to London, with oval "British Military Mission" cachet and censor markings, faint departure pmk at upper right, filing fold, fine cover from BMM with General Denikin's army 500.00



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| 4125 |  | <p>1919 cover to England, with large "Army Signals NS K 18 XII.19" marking of "Novorossiysk", delivered to the nearest British Military Mission Post Office for onward transmission to London, abbreviated sender's details at bottom left, rare if not only known example of Courier Mail from South Russia</p> | 500.00 |
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| 4126 | | <p>1919-20 two registered covers from Novorossiysk to England, Army Post Office BMM 1 markings, fine and extremely rare, if not only recorded examples of Registered Mail from British Military Mission in Novorossiysk, neatly written-up on exhibit page</p> | 500.00 |
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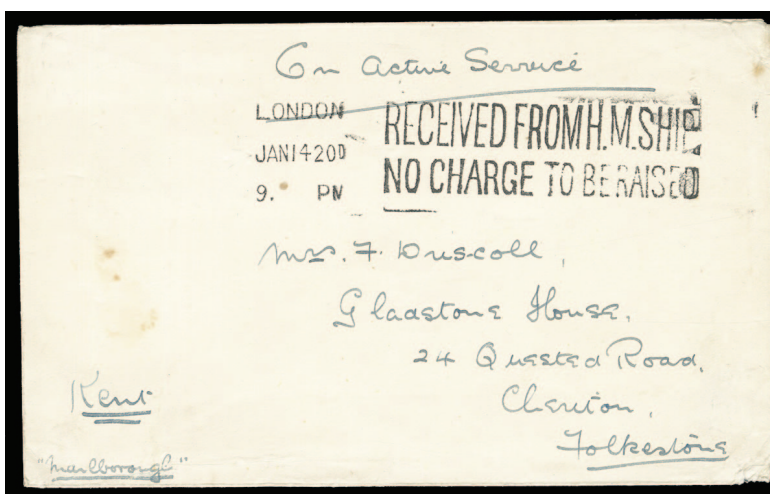
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| 4127 | ✉ | 1920 two covers from APO BMSR1 (Sevastopol) to England, sent by members of the much reduced British military mission attached to Baron Wrangel's forces in Crimea, fine and scarce pair of covers, neatly written-up on exhibit page | 500.00 |
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4128 ☒

1920 New East Relief, two covers representing the American Intervention in South Russia, one mailed via the French FPO 506 in Constantinople, the other via British Post Office, originating from Batum, sent by Dr. Emily Clark MacLeod, fine and very unusual usage

250.00

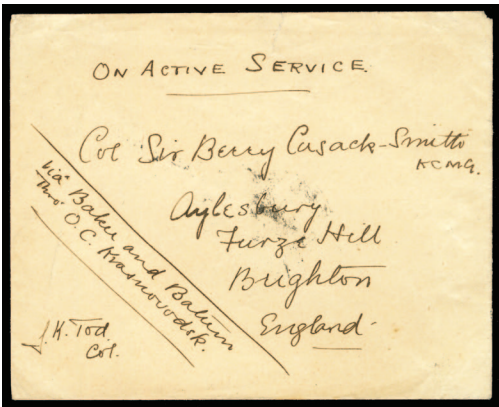


4129 ☒

Naval and Maritime Mail. 1920 (14 Jan) cover from the Royal ship "Marlborough", addressed to England, "Received from H.M. Ship No Charge to be Raised", endorsed "On Active Service" handstamp, London transit, fine (British warships the Black and Caspian Seas before, during and after the British Army presence in the region. The Royal Navy delivered supplies to Denikin's forces in Novorossiysk and was involved in evacuating Russian refugees from the Crimea in October 1920)

150.00

Trans-Caspian Force



4130 1919 (8 Mar) "On Active Service" cover to England, with "FPO Nr.409" dated handstamp on back, "Via Baku and Batum thro O.C. Krasnovodsk" routing endorsement at left, officer's signature, minor tear at top, fine cover from Krasnovodsk, occupied by the elements of Malleson Mission and used for the evacuation of that force in March, 1919. The Indian Field Post Office No.409, was later moved to Petrovsk

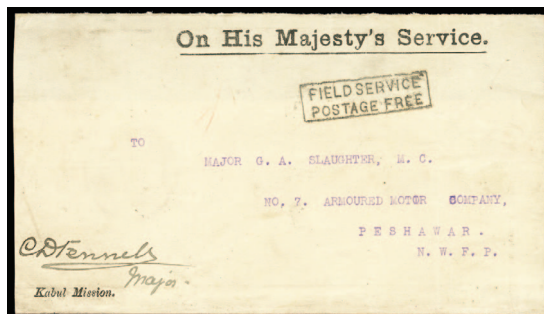
500.00

AFGHANISTAN



4131 1885 (6 Mar) legal size envelope (opened for display), endorsed "On Her Majesty's Service", with 2x1/2a OHMS overprints tied by grid cancels, sent from Gulran by Sir Peter Lumsden, the head of Afghan Boundary Commission, to General Steward, the Commander of the Army in India, with letter, providing a detailed account of the Russian Annexation of Panjdeh, with Rawalpindi (27 Mar) and Quetta (28 Mar) arrival markings. Cover is dirty and somewhat defective, nevertheless fine and only recorded from "Commission in Afghanistan" during this period (the Afghan Boundary Commission (or Joint Anglo-Russian Boundary Commission) was established to determine the northern border of Afghanistan. The commissioners traveled and documented the northern border area from 1884 to 1886. Tensions between Russia and Afghanistan grew in 1885, in the aftermath of the Panjdeh incident, in which several hundred Afghans were killed by Russian troops, as witnessed by several members of the commission. From March until September, it seemed likely that this would lead to war between Russia and Britain, with the Commission at the epicenter (Britain controlled Afghanistan's foreign affairs following the Treaty of Gandamak). Between 1885 and 1888, the Commission agreed that he Russians would relinquish the most remote territory captured in their military advances, but would retain Panjdeh. The agreement delineated a permanent northern Afghan frontier at the Amu Darya, with the loss of a large amount of territory, especially around Panjdeh)

1,500.00



4132



4133

- 4132 ☒ 1921 (27 Sep) On His Majesty's Service cover (backflap missing), sent by Major Fennel of the Kabul Mission to a fellow officer in Peshawar, North West Frontier Province, boxed "Field Service Postage Free" handstamp, Indian Field Post Office 148 and Peshawar arrival pmks on back (on occasion British forces were dispatched to Afghanistan, illustrated by this 1921 usage) 250.00
- 4133 ☒ 1928 (Oct) cover sent from Kabul to a Countess in Alessandria, Italy, franked with 40p ultramarine, tied by departure pmk, showing return address of "Alberto Inviziali, Artillery Colonel with the Italian Military Mission", sent via Landikhana, arriving in Italy (29.10.28), minor cover tears, otherwise fine (a small force of Italian officers were sent to Afghanistan in the late 1920s as military advisers to help the King's troops against tribal unrest) 150.00

ALBANIA



4134



4135

- 4134 ☒ 1913 (27 Dec) cover from Durres to Trieste, franked with 2x20pa Ottoman revenues handstamped with violet Double Eagle, also piece of envelope with 4x2pa carmine, black Double Eagle handstamps, Durres 1914 departure and New York arrival pmks, rare usage 500.00
- 4135 ☒ 1913 four covers from Vlone to Germany, Austria, etc., neatly written-up on exhibit pages, including a newspaper wrapper to Zagreb, cover with the complete set of six, registered to Bremen and forwarded to Hannover, etc., mixed condition, mostly fine(21-26) 250.00



4136

- 4136 ☒ 1914 Skanderbeg Issue, complete set of six, used on registered Otto Bickel cover from "Tchay-Aghzi", bilingual 10 Jan 14 departure pmks, further endorsed "Medua" by hand (The Ottoman "Tchay-Aghzi" denotes a small river, marking deemed inappropriate after Independence, hence the Italian name "Medua" was used), fine and scarce usage 250.00



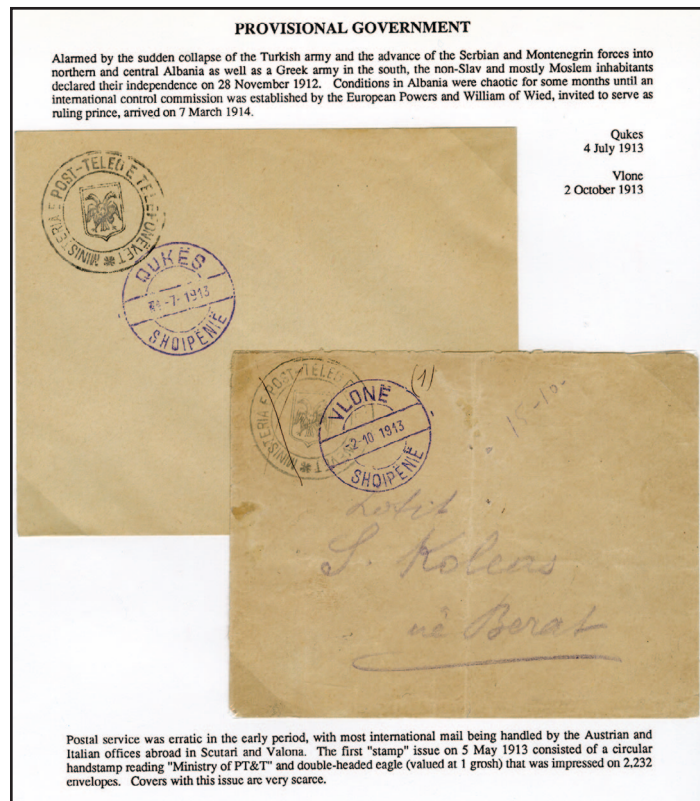
4137

- 4137 ☒ 1914 Skanderbeg Issue, cover from Shkoder to Varese, single 50q franking, tied by departure cds, with red "A R" label for return receipt below, filing folds, otherwise fine, with arrival pmk on back 250.00



4138

- 4138 ☒ **Air Post.** 1929 Kingdom of Albania overprints, complete set of seven used on First Day Cover (Vlone Dec 1, 1929), addressed locally, v.f. (catalogued as used off cover) cat. \$1,151(C22-28) 500.00
- 4139 ☒ **Postal Stationery.** 1913 Provisional Government, four stationery entire envelopes, two first issue from Qukes and Vlone, other from the second issue, with "Of Albania" instead of the Eagle in center, Pequín and Shijak departure pmks, filing folds, otherwise fine 500.00



4139



- 4140 1913 two stationary cards, one with Double Eagle handstamp on 20pa red, canceled Vlonë 16.11.13 and addressed to Buenos Aires, also a registered Skanderbeg 10q card with additional 1fr, canceled Vlonë and addressed to Vienna, fine 250.00

Albanian Locals - Elbasan



- 4141 1919 two stationery entire envelopes, used from Tirana to Elbasan and from Elbasan to Pequín, used in the early days of the Durres government when postal service was reduced to a bare minimum, with seals of the finance office in Elbasan and other provisional markings, fine and rare, cat. €12,000(Mi.U1) 1,000.00



Korce

- 4142 1920 (25 May) cover franked with French 5c and 10c adhesives, tied by violet "Territoire Pogradec Poste" handstamps, with local "Korytsa Albania" cds at bottom, cover wrinkles, otherwise fine usage during French Administration (during WWI, Pogradec became a battlefield divided between the enemy fronts. From 1914-20 Austro-Hungarian, Serbian, Greek, Bulgarian and French armies, captured the city, replacing each other from time to time) 250.00



- 4143 1920 (14 July) cover from Scutari to Constantinople, franked with French Timbre Taxe 25c, tied by violet "Territoire Pogradec Poste" handstamp, with local "Korytsa Albania" cds at bottom, fine usage at the end of French Administration 250.00

Shkodra



- 4144 1919 (1 Sep) registered cover from Shkoder to Paris, franked with 3x1gr on 25q overprinted "Shkoder 1919" above the portrait, tied by bilingual Scutari pmks, large portion of wax seal remaining on back, fine 150.00



- 4145 1919 (27 Apr) cover from Obot to Shkoder, franked with 50q with red overprint and large handstamped "T", tied on arrival by bilingual Shkoder/Scutari pmk, additional "T" due mark, fine and rare usage from Obot 150.00

Allied Occupation of Albania during World War I



4146 ☒

1916-20 selection of 12 covers or cards on exhibit pages, with mail from Albanian Volunteers in militia units of the Italian Army, American Red Cross Commission to Albania cover, also a card to New York, covers from French Forces, including registered mail, card sent by a member of a French Aviation unit serving with the Serbian Army, renamed "Escadrille d'Albanie", official cover sent from Tresor et Postes 511 at Itea to Santi Quaranta, other Field Post markings from Epirus, Korytza, etc. A fine presentation, with several extremely rare items

750.00

French Occupation of Albania



4147 ☒

1919-20 two covers, one headed "Detachement Francais de Scutari", canceled "Tresor et Postes" (23 Jan 19), sent to France, the other with French franking, canceled by red "Territoire de Pogradec" May 1920 departure pmks addressed to Korçe, with 25 May 20 arrival pmk alongside

250.00



British Contingent in Albania

4148 ☒

1916-19 cover and card from Field Post Office W.3 and Army Post Office S.100, sent to Ireland and Surrey, marked "A.O.S." and showing different censor markings, fine. Field Post Office W.3 operated at Valona for four months and only a few examples have survived

250.00

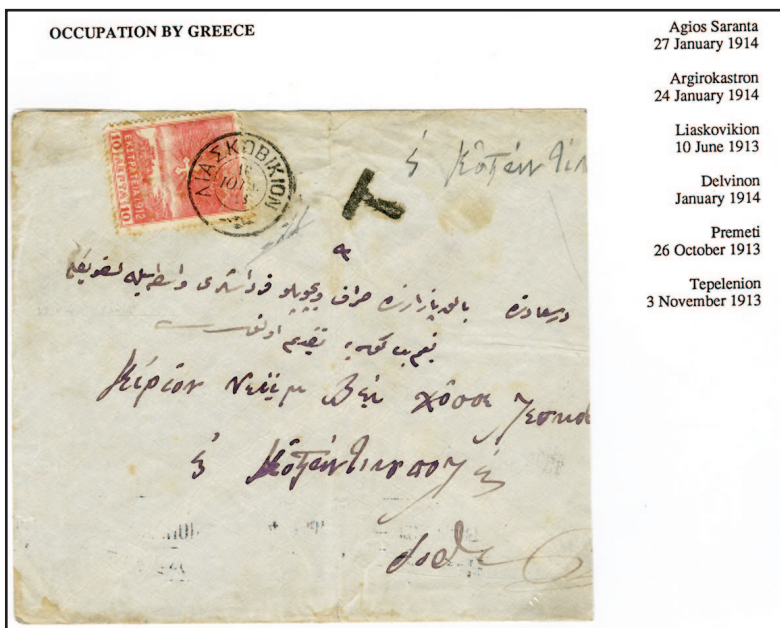


4149 ☒

1916-18 four cards from British Army Post Offices S.100, SZ25, Field Post Office F.D.9, used from Scutari, sent to England, various censor markings, fine-v.f.

250.00

Greek Occupation of Albania



4150 ☒

1913-14 three covers from Korytsa, Biglitza and Delvinon to Athens, Tunisia and Constantinople, various transit markings, also five Greek pictorials, canceled Agios, Argirokastron, Liaskovikion, Premeti and Tepelenion, fine

250.00

Serbian Occupation of Albania

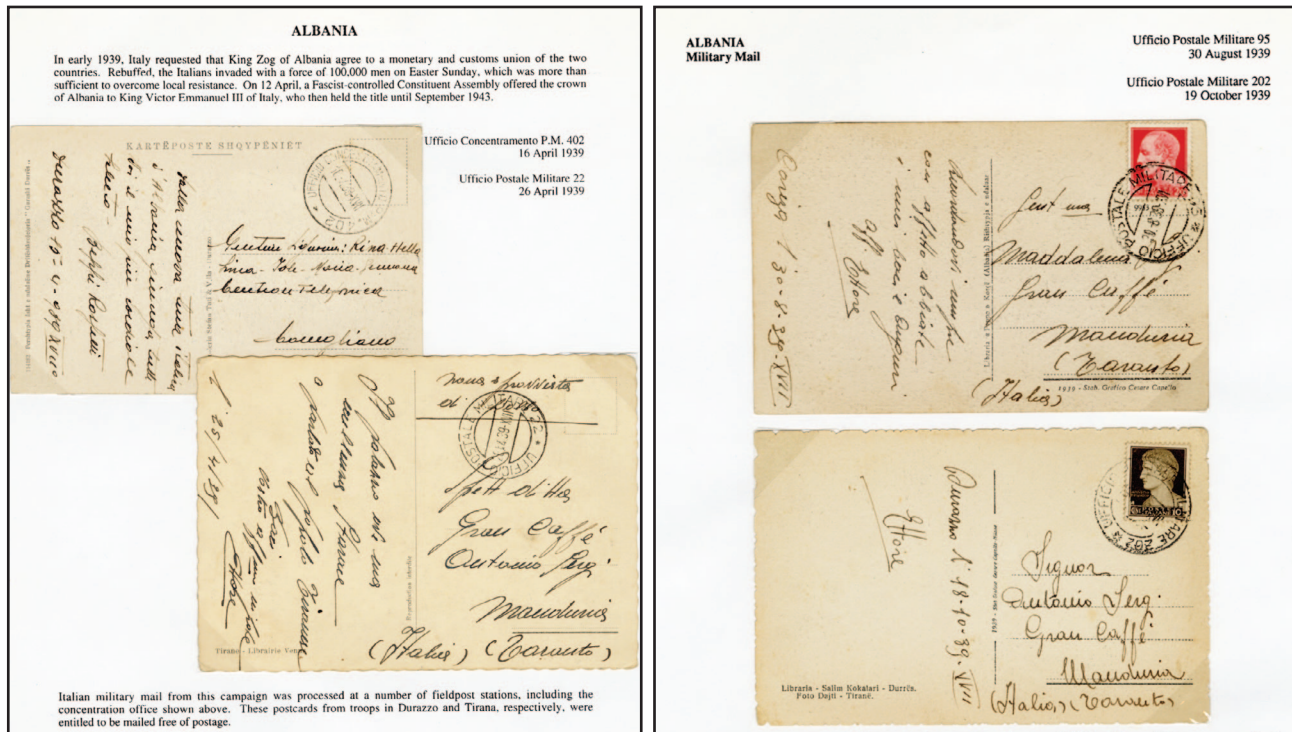


4151 ☒

1915 (16 Dec) Fieldpost card mailed from Scutari to Novi Pazar and a cover from Tirana to Elbasan, franked with both Serbian and Central Albania regional stamp, with Star handstamp in center, plus a 5p Serbian stamp canceled on piece by Elbasan pmk, fine group neatly described on exhibit page

250.00

Italian Occupation of Albania



4152 ☒

1939-44 collection of 42 covers or cards, neatly displayed and written-up on exhibit pages, starting with military mail "Ufficio Concentramento P.M.402", "Ufficio Postale Militare 22", "95" and "202" sent from Coriza, Durazzo and Tirana, also Military Mail cards "P.M. 402" and "52", the latter from Porto Edda (Sarande), "Constituent Assembly" Postage and Air Post overprints on covers, First Flight via L.A.T.T. from Tirana to Rome and from there to Seville, Pictorial definitives, including complete set of 14 on FDC, censored mail to Graz, Nice, wrapper to England, mail to USA and Switzerland, Official card to Firenze, Third Anniversary, Anti-Tuberculosis Semi-Postals, Branch postmarks (Durres/Banja, Shkoder-Treg, Vlone/Skele), village postmarks from Himare, Kelcyre, Librazhad, Italian re-named "Porti Edda", "Borgo Constanzo Ciano", Diplomatic Mail from Tirana to Vienna, Fascist Militia Legion mail, etc. A comprehensive collection

1,500.00



4153 ☒

1940 (27 Apr) registered cover from Tirana to Alessandria, franked with four different stamps, including Air Post and Special Delivery, part of backflap missing, minor toning, otherwise fine, with arrival pmks

200.00



4154

- 4154 ☒ 1942 (19 Dec) cover from Brindisi to Tirana, franked on back with Italian 10c and 20c (8), with arrival (18.I.43) pmk, returned to Italy, where it remained at the post office for one year and sent back, arriving on 10 July, 1944 and franked with 10q Postage Due and German semi-postal 10+5q, opened and resealed by censor, fine and unusual combination franking featuring both the Italian and German Occupation issues

750.00



4155

- 4155 ☒ 1943 (11 Feb) registered cover from Tirana to Prague, franked with three different definitives and 50q Special Delivery, tied by departure cds, with Registry and Air Mail labels, opened by censor, with additional violet censor marks, backstamped on arrival (24.II.43), rare usage from Italian Occupied Albania to German Occupied Czechoslovakia

500.00

Kosovo Region



4156

- 4156 ☒ 1944 (17 June) registered cover from Prizren to Istanbul, franked on both sides with 8x10q brown (including a block of four), also a single 2q and 3q (defective), all tied by "Prizren" double circle departure pmks, cover (missing backflap) opened and resealed by censor, Tirana transit and Istanbul (30 June) arrival datestamp, filing fold away from the stamps, extremely rare commercial usage from Prizren (in present day Kosovo)(Mi.2,3,5)

1,000.00



4157

- 4157 ☒ 1944 (10 Aug) cover from Peje to Korce, franked with single 15q red, tied by double-circle "Peje" cds, boxed "Postverkehr eingestellt - Zuruck / Service Suspendu - retour" (returned, service suspended) handstamp, cover opened and resealed by censor, fine and extremely rare commercial usage from German Occupation of Kosovo (after the war, Peje again became part of Yugoslavia as part of the Autonomous Region of Kosovo and Metohija, an autonomous unit within the Socialist Republic of Serbia)(Mi.6)

1,000.00



- 4158 ☒ 1944 (24 June) cover from Tetovo to Maribor ("ex-Jugoslavia, Slovenia, Italien" crossed out, with only "Germania" remaining in the address portion), franked with single 30q violet, tied by double-circle "Tetovo" cds, cover opened and resealed by censor, filing fold away from the stamp, fine and extremely rare commercial usage from Tetovo (after the war, the town became part of the Socialist Republic of Macedonia. Many of Tetovo's Albanians were subjected to repression)(Mi.6) 1,000.00

AUSTRIA

Issued under Italian Occupation - Venezia Giulia



- 4159 ☒ 1918-23 selection of 12 covers or cards on exhibit pages, with "Aviazione R. Marina/Trieste", "Pola" and "Trieste" cachets applied on Trans Adriatic Air Mail route using military seaplanes, military postmarks, Austrian Parcel Card handstamped "Venezia Giulia", franked with unoverprinted Italian stamps, other covers from Abbazia, Brioni and Porto Rose, with unoverprinted Italian definitives, canceled by old Austrian pmks, fine group 500.00

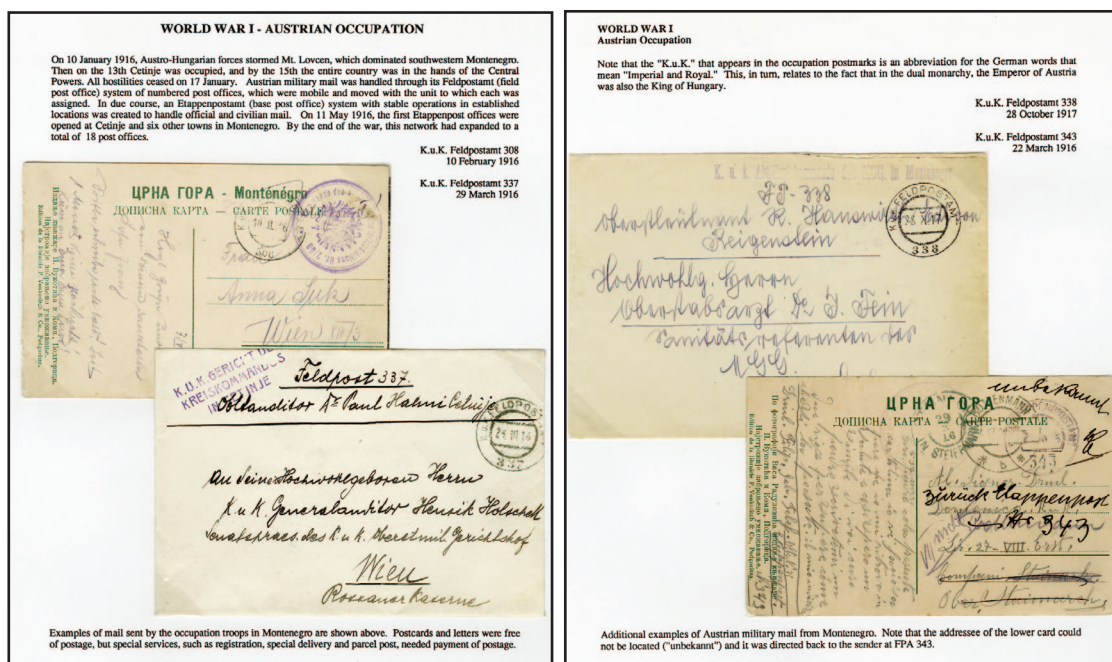
Austrian Occupation of Montenegro



- 4160 ★ **Military Stamps.** 1917 Prepared but not issued, Austrian Military Post, 3h-90k Franz Josef stamps, 15 different, also four Newspaper Mercury stamps, and Bosnian 5h postage due stamp, each overprinted with a horizontal "Montenegro" in black, blue or red, l.h. or h.r., fresh, fine-v.f., only 40 of each printed, cat. €6,850(ANK V-XVII) 1,500.00



- 4161 ☒ 1917 Prepared but not issued, Austrian Military Fieldpost card, overprinted "Montenegro" in blue, used in combination with the issued 10h stamp, canceled Cetinje, 1 March 1917, sent to Zagreb, with March 5 arrival pmk alongside. This card, overprinted with a horizontal "Montenegro" in blue is, according to Mr. Kugel, the only known used example of the five (!) cards recorded 1,500.00

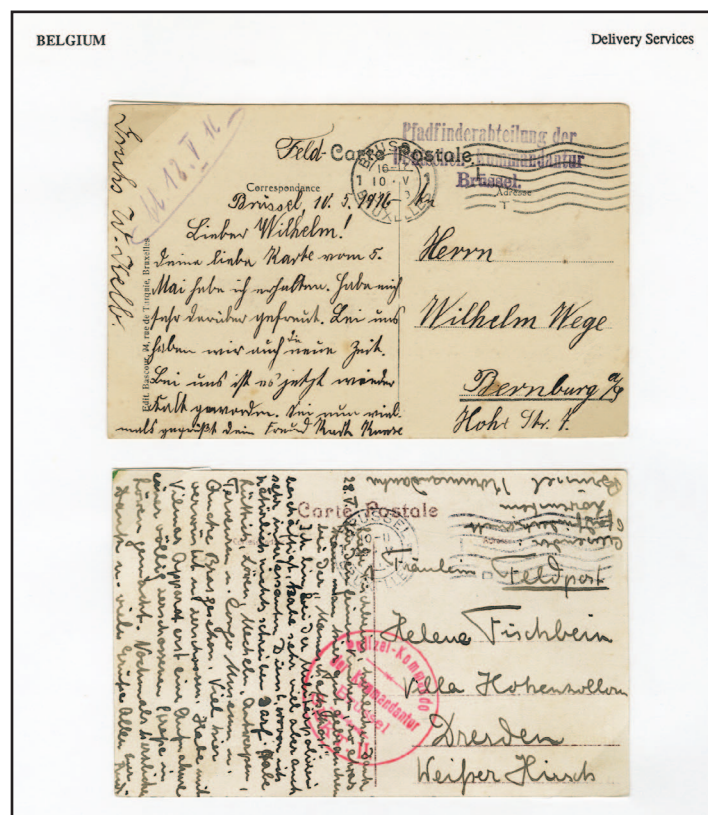


- 4162 ☒ 1916-18 collection of 25 covers or cards on 12 exhibit pages, with variety of FPOs (308, 337, 338, 343) and "K.K.Etapenpostamt" from various cities, including Andrijevic, Berane, Cevo, Djakova, Ipek, Matasevo, Peja, Rijeka, Stari Bar, Ulcinj-Naval Telegraph station, Virpazar-Naval administration of Lake Scutari. Also included are the overprinted stamps of the 1st of March 1917 issue on registered cover, First Day of usage from Kolasin and much more. An exciting exhibit, truly a treasure trove from Montenegro during WWI 1,000.00

BELGIUM - German Occupation



- 4163 ☒ 1914 picture postcard (Ruins of Louvain) franked with 20c olive brown "Le Courier Provisoire", perforated 13, with 19.10.1914 datestamp, addressed to Brussels, fine (during the early days of German Occupation, a Mr. Armand Berhaut organized a private mail and parcel transport service for Brussels and suburbs, which functioned from 15-21 October, 1914. He was arrested by the Germans and sentenced to prison for competing with the Imperial Post Office) 1,000.00



- 4164 ☒ 1916-17 two Fieldpost cards from Brussels to Germany, with "Pfadfinderabteilung der Feldpost Kommandatur" and "Polizei-Kommando Sect.II" markings, each endorsed "Feldpost", fine and rare examples of delivery service provided by a unit of Boy Scouts which handled mail from the Occupation Headquarters to the main post office..... 200.00
- 4165 ☒ 1916-18 collection of 44 covers or cards displayed on exhibit pages, showing selected cachets of various military units and agencies in Brussels, Antwerp, Gent, Hasselt, Brugge, Arel, Namur, Charleroi, Loewen, Liege, Spa, Ostende, Kortrijk, etc. There are German markings and Registry labels from "Feldpostamt des Grossen Hauptquartiers" (Supreme HQ), Naval Stations, postal stationery and issued stamps on covers, special commemorative pmks, etc. (web photo) 1,500.00

BELGIUM

Postage Stamps
Trial Overprints

In summer 1917, the German authorities devised a plan to create separate administrative areas for Flemings and Walloons to gain support among ethnic activists. This program went so far as to have the Reichsdruckerei in Berlin produce some trial overprints reading "Flanders" and "Wallonia" in early 1918. The plan was not implemented (probably due to the realization that most Belgians would resent partition of the country) but did result in a handful of philatelic souvenirs.




4166 (★)

1917 3c-6fr25c surcharges on German stamps, overprinted "Flandern" instead of "Belgien", 13 different, complete as printed, unused without gum, couple of minor perf. flaws, fresh, fine-v.f., with 1986 Lundin certificate (in the summer of 1917, Belgium was divided into two political administrative areas. As a result, two independent postal administrations were set up on 21 October 1917. Brussels was the main postal center in Flanders, and Namur in Wallonia. Presumably it was planned in Berlin to replace the "Belgien" overprints with "Flandern" and "Wallonien". Trial printings were made at the end of 1917 and in early 1918. This project never came to fruition. Only two or three sets of these proofs exist, including those in the Berlin Postal Museum)


25,000.00



- 4167  **Postal Stationery.** 1917 8c on 7½pf and 10c on 10pf unused stationery postal reply cards, overprinted “Flanders” instead of “Belgien” and “Wallonien” instead of “Belgien”, four different, folded between, each handstamped “Mustersamml. - Abt.III”, fine-v.f. Only a few copies of these trial overprints on Postal Stationery have been found in the archives 2,500.00

French units in Belgium



- 4168  1919 cover and card with “Liquidation des Stocks Française de Belgique” and “Base Française de transit Anvers” cachets, sent from Bastogne and Antwerp, fine and scarce examples of mail from French units in Belgium at the end of WWI 250.00

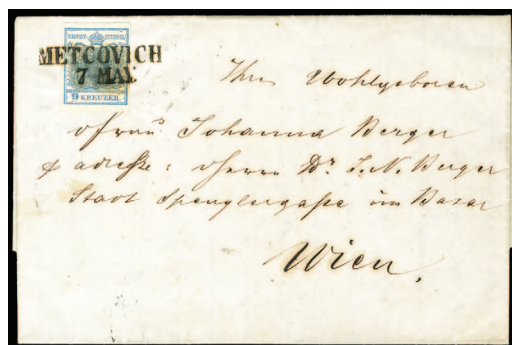
BOSNIA & HERZEGOVINA

Austro-Hungarian Consular Post

4169 

1850-60 four FLs with Austrian franking, two sent from Mostar to Metkovich, where Austrian franking was added for further transmission to Trieste, others from Banjaluka to "Konstainiza", where 9kr and 15kr adhesives were added and sent to Trieste, filing folds, one through the stamp at top, otherwise fine group of mail forwarded via Metkovitch and Konstainica, with first and second Austrian Issue stamps

1,000.00

4170 

1852 (7 May) FL from Buna, delivered to Metcovich for further delivery in Vienna, franked with 9kr blue, tied by Metkovich 7 May datestamp, fine and attractive cover, backstamped in transit at Karlstadt, arriving in Vienna (15 May)

400.00

4171

1859 (27 July) FL from Banja Luka, taken across the border in diplomatic pouch and posted through the Austrian mails, franked with 1858 15kr type II (Scott 11), tied by "Okucane" cds, sent via Agram to Trieste, some minor cover tears, otherwise fine, with transit and arrival pmks

300.00

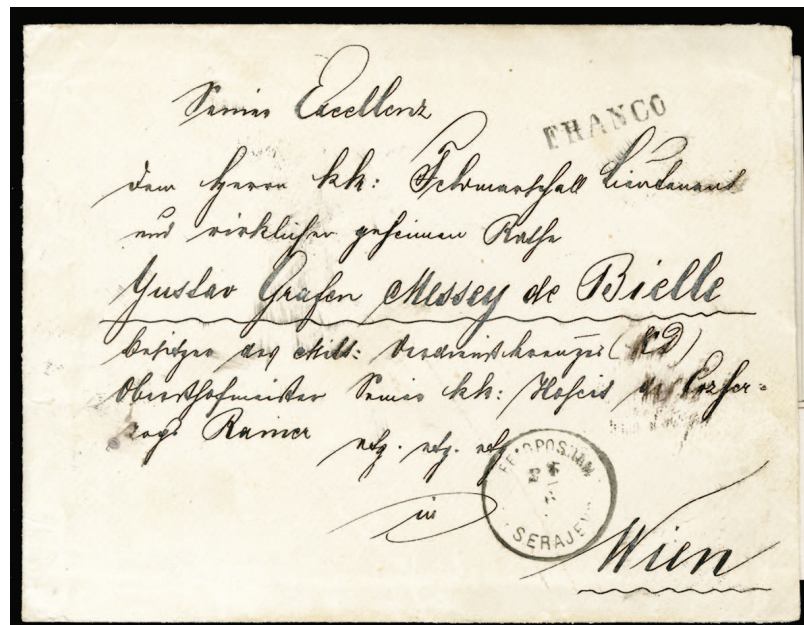
Military Mail



4172

4173

- 4172 ☒ 1879 (18 May) 5kr Money Order sending 150gld from Field Post Office No.18 in Mostar to Trieste, additionally franked with 5kr and 10kr Franz Josef, fine print, tied by cds, Trieste 24.5.79 arrival pmk on back, fine "Feldpost Expositur" forerunner with Austrian franking 500.00
- 4173 ☒ 1879 (11 Aug) Money order for 115 gld from Field Post Office No.18 in Mostar to Metkovic, franked with a vertical pair of 15n brown, tied by "Feldpost-Expositur No.18" pmk, repeated alongside, with Metkovic arrival (22.8) on back, usual filing folds well away from the stamps, only one other pair of this value has been recorded on cover 500.00



- 4174 ☒ 1879 (26 June) cover (with letter) marked "Franco", with "K.u.K. Feldpostamt 26/6 SERAJEVO" departure pmk, sent by Stephan Frh. von Jovanovic (Austrian Feldmarschalleutnant, commander of the occupation of Herzegovina and military commander of Bosnia & Herzegovina, governor of Dalmatia and military commander of Zara) to a nobleman in Vienna, with "Wieden in Wien" and "Wien" arrival pmks on back, fine example of the old-spelling of Sarajevo pmk, not used elsewhere in Bosnia & Herzegovina 500.00



4175



4176

- 4175 ☒ 1887 (10 Feb) 5n stationery entire envelope additionally franked with a horizontal strip of 5x2n yellow, all tied by framed "K.K.Milit.Post XI/Banjaluca", paying 15kr Registry rate to Vienna, with 12.2.1887 arrival pmk on back, v.f. and attractive usage with all stamps and markings on front 500.00
- 4176 ☒ 1888 (15 Sep) 5n stationery entire envelope additionally franked on back with horizontal pairs of 2n yellow and 3n green, tied by "K..K.Milit.Post VII/Travnik", paying 15kr Registry rate to Budapest, with 17.9.88 arrival pmks, v.f. and attractive usage 500.00

Ottoman Forerunners



- 4177 ☒ 1876 (8 May) FL from Mostar to Sarajevo, postal charge of 1½ piasters, paid with 1pi and 2x10pa, fine. Also a pair of Ottoman adhesives with Mostar postmarks 500.00

BULGARIA



- 4178 ☒ 1879 10c black & green, used in combination with 15st on FL from Sofia (12.11.81) to Vienna, minor cover erosion and filing fold away from the stamps, fine mixed franking Centimes + Stotinki issues(2,9) 500.00



4179

4179 ☒

1879 25c black & violet, vertical pair, tied by bilingual "Lovitcha" 1 Nov 1881 departure pmk on registered cover, sent via Roustchouk and St. Petersburg to Viborg, Finland, fine cover, with part of wax seal on back (3)

150.00



4180

4180 ☒

1879 1fr black & red, used in combination with 50c black & blue (on reverse) of registered cover from "Lom Palanka" 13 Mar 81 to Munich, bilingual departure pmks, filing fold away from the stamps, extraordinary quadruple weight UPU rate to Bavaria, with Munich arrival (29 Mar) on back .
.....(4,5)

500.00



4181 ☒

1882-87 Issues, selection of three items, including two Parcel Address forms, one used in 1890 with 15s, pair of 30s and 10s Fiscal, canceled "Rustchuk", the other used in 1889, with 50s and 1L, additional 10s Fiscal, canceled "Russe", plus 1895 "Noviny" newspaper with single 1s tied by bilingual "Seymen" cds, paying printed matter rate, fine

250.00



4182 1885 four covers or cards neatly displayed on exhibit pages, with Military Mail, covers carried free of postage with South Bulgarian Negative seals inscribed "Military Headquarters Plovdiv", 5s stationery card used from Bulgarian Occupied Pirost to Plovdiv, plus a cover with blue circular cachet of the "Commander of the Eastern Army Corps", sent from Plovdiv to Pirost, in occupied Serbia, with arrival pmk and "First Military T.P.O." marking, stated to be one of only two recorded, fine and very scarce. (The Serbo-Bulgarian War lasted from November 14, 1885 to March 3, 1886. The war demonstrated the instability of the Balkan peace settlement imposed by the Congress of Berlin. Serbia started the war but was decisively defeated, with a major Bulgarian victory at Slivnitsa and subsequent advance into Serbia. Despite Bulgaria being a vassal state of the Ottoman Empire, the Turks did not intervene and it was Austria that demanded Bulgaria stop its invasion, and a truce resulted)

1,000.00

Russo-Turkish War

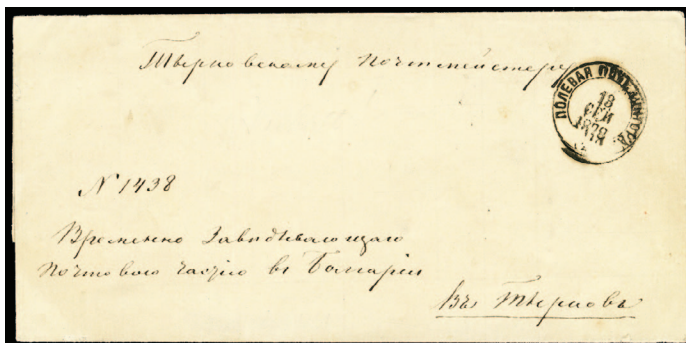


4183 1877 (29 Dec) cover from London, addressed to an English nursing sister at the Red Cross hospital in "Sistova, Bulgaria, Turkey", endorsed "if departed, please forward to destination", mailed via Bucharest (3 Jan), showing Russian F.P.O.15 (23 Dec 1877) transit (Julian calendar, 12 days earlier than the Gregorian calendar used in the West). This FPO 15 was then located at Zimnica (today Zimnicea, Romania, a port on the Danube, opposite the Bulgarian city of Sistov), used as a forwarding center for mail between Russia and the occupied areas of Northern Bulgaria. A rarity (Tchilingirian states that "no postal material from this FPO appears to have been recorded")

4184 1878 (17 July) FL from Tirnovno, canceled by a bilingual "Tyrnovskaya Pocht. Kont." pmk, addressed to Gabrovo, with arrival cds alongside, letter with handstamp of a Police archival mark Tirnovno, fine, neatly described on exhibit page (web photo)

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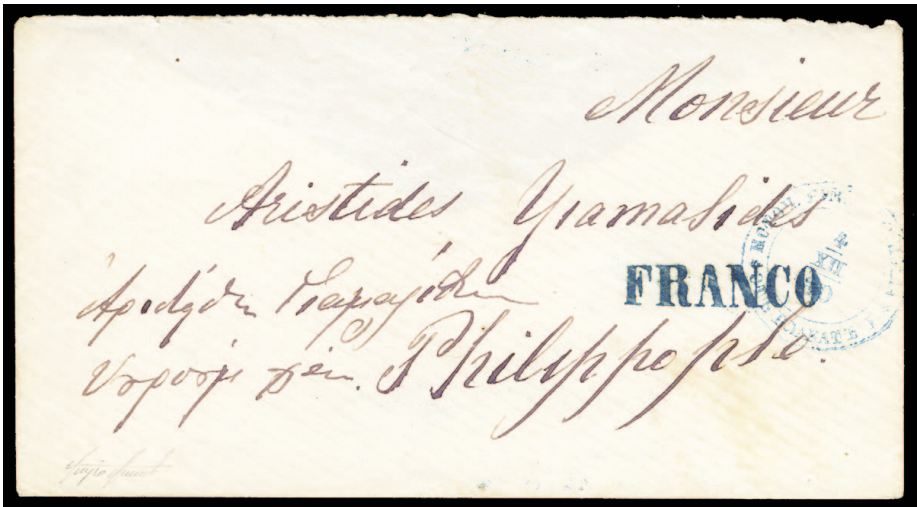
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- 4185 ☒ 1878 (13 Sep) official letter sent to the postmaster at Tirnov, through FPO 1, showing clear "Polevaya Pocht. Otdel." departure pmk, fine post-war usage (the Russians maintained a significant military presence in Bulgaria pending the implementation of territorial decisions of the Great Powers at the Congress of Berlin) 150.00
- 4186 ☒ 1880 (23 Feb) large portion of wrapper to Constantinople, franked with First Issue 25c black & violet, tied by Bulgarian "Tirnov" departure cds, with Russian Post Office "Tirnov" (24 Feb), "Varna" transit and Constantinople (11 Mar) arrival markings on back, fine example of Russian Post Office in Bulgaria, still in operation even after the Bulgarian postal system started 200.00

Eastern Rumelia



- 4187 ☒ 1880 (1 Dec) cover (opened for display) from Karlovo to Koprivshitsa, franked on reverse with Ottoman 10pa lilac and 4x20pa pale green (the overprinted stamps were not yet issued for Eastern Rumelia), tied by four negative seals and "Pochta Karlovo" departure cds, Adrianople transit and TPO "Istoch.Rumelis.Pochta ot Vlakad" (12.12.80) clearly struck on front, cover slightly reduced at left, fine example of the Russian Traveling Post Office mark, with 2009 Sismondo certificate (when Russian army occupied Eastern Rumelia in early 1878, they provided postal cars for the railway line. Mail processed on-board was canceled by special TPO markings inscribed in Cyrillic "Eastern Roumelian Post From Train 1") 500.00



- 4188
- 1880 (4 Dec) cover posted on the Russian Railway post office for delivery in Philippople (Plovdiv), postmark in Cyrillic reads “Pochta Plovdiv” (“Post” at top, “Plovdiv” at bottom, instead of the listed bilingual Russian and Bulgarian), also Russian Traveling Post Office mark in Cyrillic (“Eastern Roumelian Post From Train 1”), “Franco” hs indicates postage was paid in cash, cover missing backflap, otherwise fine, with 2001 Sismondo certificate 500.00



- 4189
- 1881 two covers used from “Tatar Pazardchik” and Plovdiv, each with Turkish stamps overprinted in blue “R.O.” (“Roumelie Orientale”), sent to Elisavetgrad (Russia) and Leskovac (Serbia), transit markings include Sofia, Rustchuk, Ungeni and Russian TPO, as well as arrival of Leskovac, usual cover wear, otherwise fine 750.00
- 4190
- 1883 two special formula postal cards, one to Plovdiv, with “Roumelie Orientale Du Train” (17.V.83) TPO cancel, the other sent from Plovdiv 500.00





- 4191 1885 (21 Sep) cover from Pechtera to Plovdiv, franked with pair of 1pi black & blue, overprinted in black, tied by bilingual departure pmks, with arrival pmk on back, minor cover mending, otherwise fine, extremely rare usage of provisional issue on cover, as opposed to the usual postcards 250.00



On 11 September 1885, a new set of overprints was issued, this time with the Bulgarian lion inside a frame and the wording "South Bulgaria," more clearly designating the change in administration of the territory. This second provisional issue was in use for barely three weeks. Most of these stamps were used on the Eastern Roumelia formula postal cards; use of (top portion of) a reply card, especially registered, is extraordinary.

4192

- 4192 1885 five cards, displayed on exhibit pages, including a registered card from "Tchirpan" to "Tchepelare", franked with 20pa black & rose, blue overprint (stamp slightly defective), formula card from Plovdiv to Sofia, franked with 20pa rose, three cards with the final issue, including a Registered card from Aitos, franked with 20pa rose, card from "Hadji Elles", with 5pa lilac and a card from Pazardjik to Seymen, with 10pa green, fine and scarce group, with two Registered cards (22,29,38-40) 1,000.00



The Turkish authorities refused to recognize the Bulgarian annexation of Eastern Roumelia. As a result, when mail franked with Bulgarian stamps arrived in Turkey from this area, it was assessed postage due at double the normal postal rate. The underpayment was indicated by the "T" marking in circle shown on the above covers, with Turkish stamps added to reflect the amounts collected from the addressees. Such usage is very unusual.

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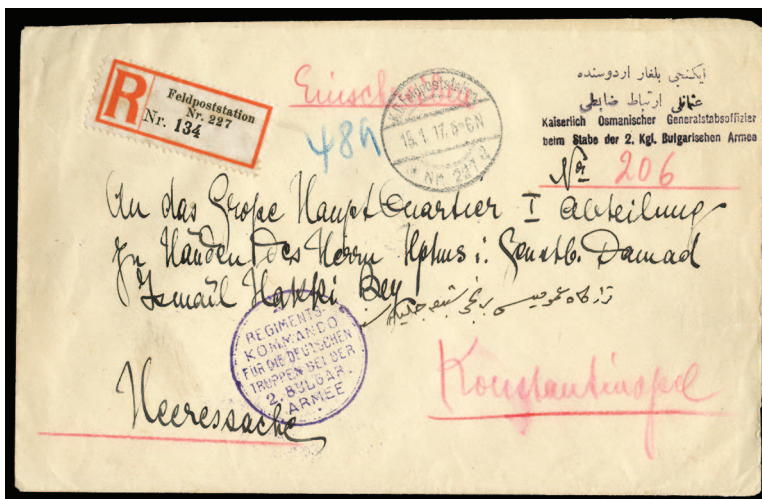
- 4193 1885-88 two covers from Plovdiv and Pazardjik to Constantinople, each with Bulgarian franking, which was not recognized (The Turkish authorities refused to accept the Bulgarian annexation of Eastern Rumelia) and charged postage due at double the normal postal rate, indicated by "T", with Ottoman stamps added to reflect the amounts collected from the recipients, mixed condition, some cover faults, markings intact, very rare 500.00

Turkish Administration



- 4194 ☒ 1900-13 collection on exhibit pages, showing forerunner covers or cards from small villages in the Bulgarian area, including "Palaz", "Petridj", "Moustapha Pacha" (Svilinograd, Gare), "Sjoumaai-Bala", "Eyri-Dere", "Kirdje Ali", "Nevrocope", "Tamrache", "Gumuldjina", "Dede-Aghaj", "Feredjik", etc. There are 13 covers or cards, plus stamps on pieces, fine and elusive holding 1,500.00

Bulgaria in World War I



- 4195 ☒ 1917 (15 Jan) registered cover sent through the German Fieldpost Station No. 227 in Constantinople, with cachet of the "Regimental Headquarters of the German Troops with the Bulgarian 2nd Army", with additional "Imperial Ottoman Staff Officer with the Staff of the Royal Bulgarian 2nd Army" bilingual handstamp, appropriate Registry label, "Feldpost Mil. Mission Konstantinopel" pmk on back, fine example of the cooperation between Germany and its allies of the Central Powers 250.00

French Forces in Bulgaria



4196 ☒

1919-21 selection of six covers on two exhibit pages, showing variety of French Forces in Bulgaria markings, including "Tresor et Postes 524", "524A", "524B", "Vag. Etapes 35"; two covers with "Entrepot 5" and "Entrepot 6" (located at Sofia, Giurgevo and Rustchouk), fine and seldom offered markings used by French Forces in Bulgaria

500.00

CENTRAL LITHUANIA



4197

4197 ☒

1921 Parcel card franked with 3m and 10m Commemoratives, tied by "Wilno 2" (11.6.21) departure cds, with Jaroslaw 17.VI.21 arrival pmk alongside, also on reverse, fine and rare commercial usage, with 1993 Schmutz certificate

250.00

4198

4198 ☒

1921 Parcel card franked with 1,000m Commemorative, tied by "Wilno 1" (26.11.21) departure cds, with Kolomyia (30.XI.21) arrival pmk, fine and rare, with 1993 Schmutz certificate

250.00



4199 ☒

1921-22 three covers or cards, the latter Registered from Landwarow, others from Oszmiana and Swiecziany, the latter Registered to Vienna, one cover roughly opened at left, otherwise fine, scarce commercial usage from small towns/villages

500.00



4200

4200 ☒

1922 (24 Jan) cover from Nowa Wilejka to Finland, franked with eight Commemoratives, violet departure pmk and traces of arrival, backflap missing, otherwise fine

250.00



4201

4201 ☒

1922 (22 Feb) registered cover to Paris, franked with 50m dark blue, tied by "Wilno 1" departure cds, violet "Wilno-Sejm" Registry box, with Commercial Press cachet and arrival (26.2.22) pmk on back

250.00



4202 ☒

Military Mail. 1921 (Jan) large piece of a wrapper, plus a postal card showing "Poczta Polowa No.23" and "Frontowa Poczta Polowa No.23" pmks, the latter Registered, boxed "Poczta Polska R.No." handstamp and Minsk HQ arrival, the former with "Dowodztwo Baonu Zapasowego Minskiego p.p." HQ arrival hs on reverse. Also included are four additional cards and cover, various military markings, soldier's mail, etc., all displayed on exhibit pages

500.00

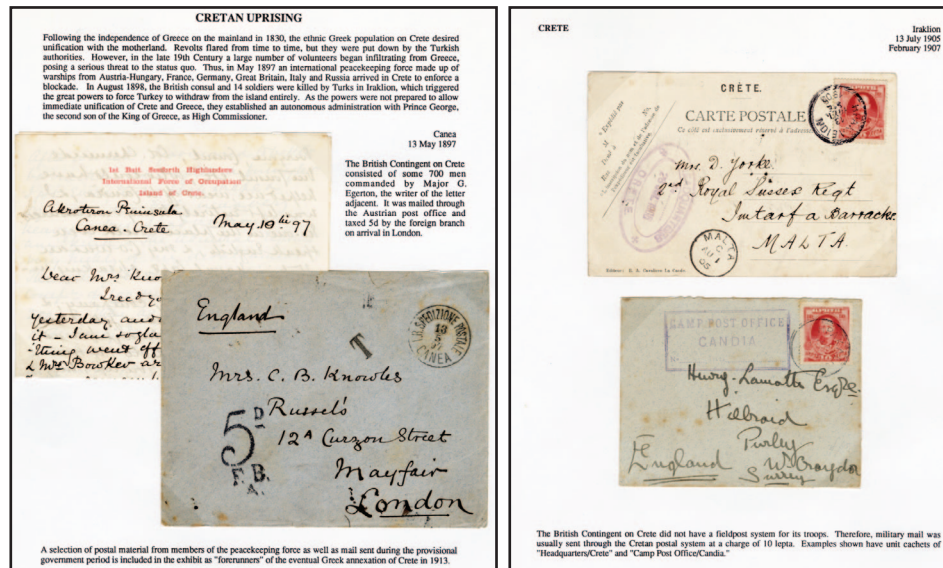
CHINA - Japanese Occupation of China

4203 ☒

1940-41 selection of 26 covers or cards, well described on exhibit pages, including military mail from North China to Yokohama, Tientsin military branch, First Naval Post Office on HIJMS "Izuma" moored in the Whangpoo River in Shanghai, cards from Central China, flown cover from Hankow to Shanghai, franked with surcharged Air Mail stamps, covers from Hopei Province, Honan, Shansi, Shantung, including registered cover from Tsingtao to New York, covers from Supeh to Tientsin and Peking, registered cover from Meng Chiang (Inner Mongolia) to Tientsin, interesting usages (web photo)

1,000.00

CRETE



4204 ☒

1897-1907 collection on 12 exhibit pages, with 23 covers or cards, including British contingent cover to London, sent unfranked through the Italian Post Office in Canea, charged "5d" on arrival, another cover endorsed "Stamps not available", sent from "H.M.S.Harrier" to London, cover and card with "Camp Post Office Candia" and "Headquarters Crete" markings (the latter to Malta), mail from French forces in Canea and Hierapetra, military markings, others with French 15c Type Sage, registered cover endorsed "Corps Francaise d'Occupation de Crete", Italian stationery card overprinted "La Canea" with "Commandement des Troupes Internationales La Canea/Le Commandant Superieur" cachet, Cretan Gendarmerie markings, Russian Administration covers (3), used locally, Austrian Infantry Battalion, registered cover from Canea to Pola, etc.

1,000.00

British Administration



4205

4205 ☒

1898 cover mailed by I. Griffith, the military commander of Monofatsi to Candia, with "Governor Monofatsi International Occupation" seal, with corresponding Flag indicia alongside, endorsed "20 Paras" and dated 9.12.98, addressed to a Captain Edgar at Candia, with Austrian Post Office 12.12.98 arrival pmk on back, filing folds, fine and rare cover, only 24 examples of the provisional marking were prepared prior to the issuance of the new Cretan stamp

1,000.00



4206

4206 ☒

1898 20pa violet, margins all around, canceled by straight-line "Archanes" in blue and manuscript 1/10/12.98 (presumably covering both Julian and Gregorian calendars) on small cover addressed to Maj. General H. Chermside (commander of the British troops and military commissioner from 1896-99), v.f., with sender's note on back ("Inscription on stamps in Greek Provisional post of Kandia"), with 1988 Peter Holcombe certificate: "This is the only British cancelation other than Heraklion used and is the only known cover", ex-Lewis and Friend collections(1)

1,500.00

Russian Administration



4207 ☒

1899 cover used locally in Rethymno, franked with 1gr and 1m black, each tied by 2 July 99 pmks, repeated below, cover slightly reduced at bottom, with hinge remnant at lower right, fine and very rare, signed Spanos (catalogued as used off cover) cat. \$2,300.....(32,34)

1,000.00



- 4208 ☒ 1899 1m blue (with Stars at Sides), tied by Rethymno (11 July 99) cds on picture postcard to Ekaterinoslav, Russia, with Odessa (20 July). Postal Car No.221 (22 July) and Pokrovskoye arrival (23.VII.99) pmks, minor perf. toning, rare usage (Russian administration ended on 29 July)(35) 250.00

French Offices in Crete



- 4209 ☒ 1898-1903 five covers or cards from "Corps D'Occupation de Crete", stampless usages from La Canee and Sitia, others with French franking, used from Candia, San-Nicolo (5c stationery entire envelope to Paris, signed Calves), various pmks and endorsements, fine (web photo) 200.00

CROATIA





Especially elusive are examples of mixed franking of Yugoslav airmail stamps and Provisionals as shown above.

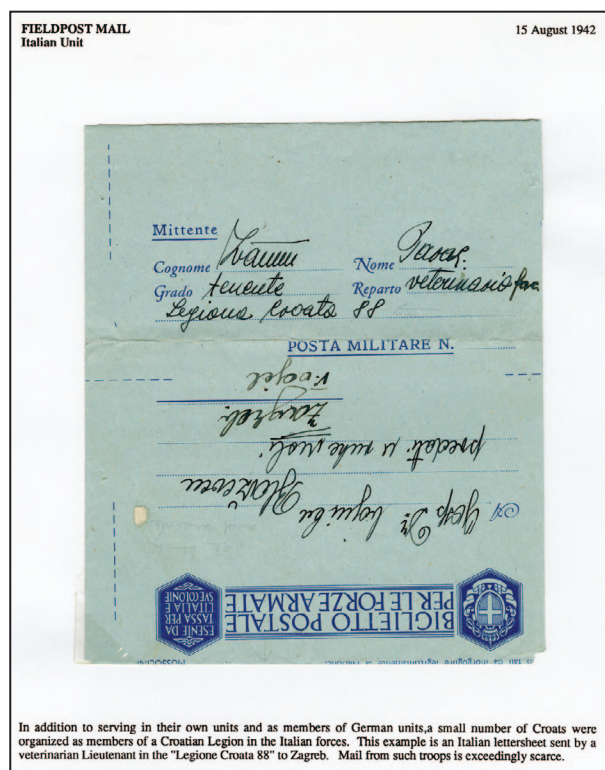
- 4210 ☒ 1941 two registered covers, each mixed franking with unoverprinted Yugoslav stamps, used from Daruvar and Jezerane to Zagreb, fine-v.f., one with 1998 Wieneke opinion 250.00

- 4211  1941-45 Postal History exhibit, 245+ covers or cards displayed on 168 pages, starting with a postcard mailed on 12 April 1941, the first day of issue of the "Independent State of Croatia" issue, mixed with unoverprinted Yugoslavia adhesive, cover from Dubrovnik to Zagreb, mailed 10 April 1941 (Independence Day of Croatian State), other examples of unoverprinted stamps of Yugoslavia on commercial mail from Stara Pazova, Crikvenica, Dubrovnik, manuscript overprints from Jelenje, Postire, handstamp overprints from Nova Gradisca, Dubrovnik, Zemun, Metkovic-Split, etc. There are registered covers with first issue provisionals used from Zagreb, Senj, Osijek, Kiseljak, Registered mail to Portugal, Trial Printing in black on 1d stationery card (one of only a few known), registered mail with unissued Armed Forces overprints, numerous mixed frankings, censored mail (various destinations and incoming mail), Cash frankings (two covers from Bosnjaci and Tesanji), Registered and commercially used covers franked with Commemoratives, souvenir sheets, Air Post, Postage Dues, Officials, numerous slogans and cachets, Propaganda postcards, Fieldpost cards, including Military Franchise stamps on cards sent by soldiers, mail from Croatian soldiers serving with the Germans, including SS units, Diplomatic Mail, Red Cross letters, including two cards from Italian POWs in Croatia, cards from Stara Gradisca and Jesenova Concentration Camps, Local Issues from Sibenik and Split used on covers, and much more. A scholarly presentation, some certificates included, many extremely rare items. An important collection of WWII Croatian postal history (web photo)..... 10,000.00
- 4212  **Semi-Postals.** 1944 (May) three covers with "Third Anniversary of Croatian Independence" franking, one with the imperf. set of three, registered to Bohemia & Moravia, others with Francetic 12.50+287.50Kn perforated single on censored cover from Osijek to Germany, plus imperf. trial color proof in dark green on registered cover from Novi Cice to Zagreb, fine (web photo)..... 250.00



4213

- 4213  **Naval and Maritime Mail.** 1941 Fieldpost card from No.23713, assigned to the Croatian Navy Division on the Sea of Azov, sent to Kutjevo, also a cover from Fieldpost No.52705, this from the Croatian Torpedo Boat Flotilla on the Black Sea, sent via "M.P.A" (Marine Post Office) to Vienna, rare pair of Croatian Naval mail from the Eastern Front, the former with 1991 Zrinjscak certificate ("fieldpost from Croatian Legion on the Eastern Front is very rare") 500.00
- 4214  **Military Mail.** 1942 (15 Aug) military letter sheet to Zagreb sent by a member of the Croatian Legion attached to the Italian Army, various censor marks, endorsed on back "Legione Croata 88", fine. Mail from Croats serving with the Italian Troops is exceedingly scarce 250.00



4214



- 4215 ☒ 1944 (25 May) special Anti-Soviet propaganda lettersheet, sent by a member of the Croatian Battalion in Stockerau, addressed to Osijek, censored in Vienna, with arrival pmk, roughly opened with some resulting tears, still fine, one of very few recorded, with 1999 Wieneke certificate 250.00

Local Issues - Banja Luka



- 4216 ☒ 1941 overprinted "Slobodna Bosanska Hrvatska" 1d, 2d set of two, tied by Banja Luka (21.VI.41) cds on cover locally addressed to Maj.Gen. Dippold, the German commander in Banja Luka, some toning, cover missing backflap, filing fold away from the stamps, pencil signed (catalogued as used off cover) cat. €1,800.....(Mi.1-2) 250.00



- 4217 ☒ 1941 overprinted "Slobodna Bosanska Hrvatska" 1d, 2d blocks of four, tied by Banja Luka (13.VI.41) cds on registered cover to Zagreb, v.f., with arrival pmk, 1964 Marjanovic certificate (catalogued as used singles off cover) cat. €7,200(Mi.1-2) 1,000.00

Dalmatia (Sibenik)



4218 ☒

1943-44 two covers, one registered from Curzola to Konjevrate, franked with four surcharged Yugoslav stamps, tied by "Curzola Poste Dalmazia" departure cds, "Commandatur Curzola" and "Geprueft" censor markings, repeated on back, with arrival pmk, Raybaudi certificate. The second cover is franked with four Yugoslav stamps overprinted "Hvar", surcharged with new value, used in combination with Croatian 20kn adhesive, all canceled by Hvar (6.V.44) departure pmks, with "Cognorata Zara" arrival pmk on back, with 1968 Chiavarello certificate

500.00



4219 ☒

Postal Stationery. 1943-44 handstamped "Nezavisna Drzva Hrvatska" and "N.D.H." on Italian stationery cards, 75c unused, 30c used from Sibenik, fine-v.f., the former with Ercegovic certificate, rare (Filigrano 1,3, €1,400)

500.00

4220 

1944 overprinted "Nezavisna Drzva Hrvatska" and surcharged "Kn 1 Ratni Doprimos" on Italian 30c stationery cards (1), one used from Sibenik to Zagreb, the other upgraded with additional franking for Special Delivery service, fine and rare, the former signed Raybaudi (Filigrano 4, €1,800)

500.00

Medimurje

4221 

1941 locally overprinted "Drzava Hrvatska Medimurje", seven stamps used on two covers from Cakovec to Zagreb, fine-v.f., with 1980 Ercegovic certificate

500.00

EGYPT - Turkish Occupation



4222

4223

- 4222 ○ 1915 piece franked with 2pa and 4pa Ottoman adhesives, tied by bilingual "Ibin" 26.5.15 pmks, fine (Ibin was the only other Post Office to operate in the Sinai) 150.00
- 4223 ☒ 1915 picture postcard from Aleppo to El-Arish, franked with 10pa and 20pa Ottoman pictorials, tied by departure and arrival pmks, fine, uncommon usage, signed Nakri. Only a few examples of the bilingual El-Arish pmk have been recorded on cover (one of the first objectives of the Turks was to take El-Arish, the principal town in the Sinai. This was accomplished at the end of October 1914 and El-Arish remained in Ottoman control until early 1916, when the Egyptian Expeditionary Force was able to clear the Sinai Peninsula) 500.00



- 4224 ○ 1915-16 Sinai Campaign, selection of 13 different postmarks on pieces, including Asludj, Bir ul Abid, Birin, Daika, Wadi Sherif, Wardi, etc., all identified and neatly displayed on exhibit page, fine 400.00

EPIRUS



- 4225 1914 (21 Feb) registered cover from Chimarra to Athens, franked on front with 5L and 10L and on reverse with 25L Double Headed Eagle, Skull and Crossbones, each with appropriate "SP" control marks, violet seal and arrival pmk (7 Mar 14) on back, fine and rare genuine Chimarra issue on cover(2-4) 750.00

ESTONIA



4226

- 4226 Military Mail. 1919 selection on exhibit pages, with six Field Postcards, various unit markings and destinations, also two covers from "American Relief Organizations", sent from Tallinn in 1921, fine . 250.00



4227

- 4227 1918 selection of five covers or cards, including "Feldpost" usage from Narva to Berlin, with "Stadthauptmann Narva Briefestempel" handstamp, card with "Kaiserliche Marine Reval" mark. Also two registered covers from Narva and Reval, plus a newspaper wrapper with single 3pf Ob Ost surcharge, used from Dorpat to Wenden 150.00



4228 1918 registered cover to Germany, franked with 2x20pfg on 10k dark blue, tied by "Dorpat" single line handstamp, used in combination with Postgebiet Ob.Ost 15pf Germania, tied by Riga departure cds, with framed "Gepufft" censor handstamp and signed in red ink, additional "R" in circle. Also included is another cover from the same correspondence, franked with 40pfg on 20k blue & carmine, plus a 20pf on 5k stationery card, fine and scarce properly used and correctly franked Dorpat covers and postal stationery(N1-2) 500.00

ETHIOPIA



4229 1936 (3 June) registered cover from Addis Abeba to Asmara franked with Eritrea adhesives with unofficial "Italia Addis Abeba" handstamps, also an unused propaganda card showing Italian troops entering the city 150.00

FRANCE

World War I

4230 ☒

1916-18 collection of 33 covers or cards displayed on exhibit pages, showing German and Bavarian stamps used in Lile and St. Quentin, Belgian overprinted stamps used in Abrives, POW cover sent from Fumay to Bavaria, Fieldpost cover from Givet to Wittenberg, covers from Haybes, Maubeuge and Vireaux-Molhain (rare), others from locations in the occupied parts of Provinces of Aisne, Ardennes and Nord, Fieldpost markings from Maubeuge, Roubaix, Valenciennes, Thiaucourt and others. In addition, there is a good selection of used Postal Stationery cards, as well as overprinted stamps on cover. A fine collection (web photo).....

750.00



4231 ☒

1914 cover franked with 10c vermilion, used from Valenciennes, 10 Oct 1914 departure datestamp, oval Chamber of Commerce cancel, Mayor of Valenciennes and "Etappen Commandatur" handstamps, filing fold away from the stamp, fine(2L1)

150.00

French Offices in China - Kwangchowen

KWANGCHOWAN

Following its defeat in the Sino-Japanese War of 1894-95, China was unable to resist demands by the European Powers for territorial concessions. Thus, in 1898 the French obtained a leasehold on a strip of land on the Luichow Peninsula and a half dozen islets in Kwangchow Bay opposite the island of Hainan. (Other countries extorted similar leases, including Weihaiwei by the British, Kiautschou by the Germans and Port Arthur by the Russians.)

Haiphong
1 January 1900

Quang Tcheou
20 April 1900

In the early days, mail from the French occupying forces was processed through the civil post office at Haiphong in Tonkin. In 1900, a cds reading "Quang Tcheou/Indo-Chine Française" was introduced.

FRENCH FORCES ABROAD
Kwangchowen

Quang Tcheou
29 December 1900
29 November 1901

For purposes of administration, Kwangchowen was assigned to the colonial government of French Indo-China. Although military mail to Metropolitan France or the colonies was free, postage had to be paid (in Indo-China stamps) on the lower cover because it was sent to a foreign country, i.e. Turkey.

4232 ☒

Military Mail. 1900-08 selection of eight covers or cards on exhibit pages, with military and naval cachets, used from Haiphong, Quang Tscheou, Port Bayard, Kouan-Tscheou-Wan, including a registered cover to Hong Kong, fine-v.f.

500.00

French Forces Abroad - China



- 4233 ☒ 1900 (24 Dec) "Corps Expéditionnaire du Petchili" cover to Saigon, with Tresor et Postes 5 departure and "Corps Exped. Tonkin Ligne 1" transit, Saigon Cochinchine (3 Jan 01) arrival pmk on back, Le Colonel Commandant censor cachet and signature, fine usage from the North Chihli Province, where the Boxer forces provided the greatest threat 150.00
- 4234 ☒ 1900-03 six covers or cards, with Tresor et Postes 1,2,5,6,7 markings, also stampless letter endorsed "Corps d'Occupation de Chine", sent from Tientsin to Chambery, others "Corps Expedit.re de Chine Regiment de marche de Zouaves", with cds "Corps exp. Tonkin Ligne N.7" transit cds, plus others, mostly fine (web photo) 200.00



- 4235 ☒ 1901 (11 Feb) "Corps Expéditionnaire de Chine" official cover to the French Legation in Tokyo, canceled "Tresor et Postes Aux Armees 5 Chine", with arrival pmk, cover wear, otherwise fine. FPO No.5 was open in Tientsin from October 1900 to May 1902. This cover was not entitled to free franking, but postage due was not charged by the Japanese postal authorities 150.00



- 4236 ☒ 1901 (5 Jan) "Chine-Armee Internationale Corps Francais" patriotic cover to France, with Tresor et Postes 5 departure and "Corps Exped. Tonkin Ligne 2" transit cds alongside, filing fold, otherwise v.f., scarce French Forces in China printed stationery entire envelope 150.00



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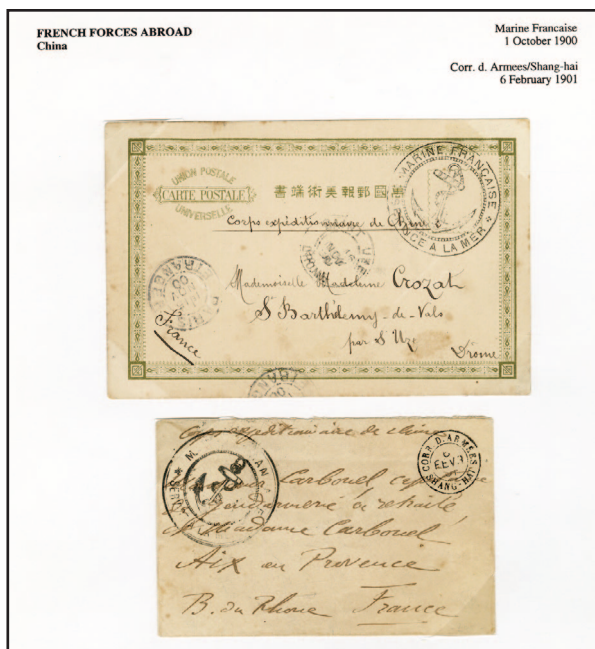


4238

- 4237 ☒ 1901 (29 May) "Division Navale d'Extreme Orient" cover to France, with "Corr.D.Armees Shanghai" departure pmk at right, faint violet "Service de la Mer" cachet, transit and arrival pmks on back. (Shanghai, far removed from the turmoil in North China did not have a field post office. Mail sent by French soldiers was marked with a "Military Correspondence" pmk to indicate acceptance of free letters) 150.00
- 4238 ☒ 1901 (4 June) native cover (opened for display), registered to Reims, franked with 5c, 10c ("China" overprint) and 25c Type Sage, tied by "Tresor et Postes 2" cds markings, with arrival (22 July) on back, fine cover (Tresor et Postes No.2 was open in Paotingfu from October 1900 to mid-1901) 150.00



- 4239 ☒ 1928-34 six covers or cards, with "Troupes de l'indochine/detachment de Changhai" and "Detachement Francais de Changhai" markings, "Infanterie Coloniale Detachment Pekin Chine" cover sent "Via Siberia" through the Chinese Post Office, another "Yokohama a Marseille No.5" on French steamer to Paris, cover with "Base de Shanghai" and "Marine Francaise Service a Le Mer" cachets, another from Cruiser "Primauguet" with French Naval Forces in the Far East markings, fine 500.00



- 4240 ☒ **Naval and Maritime Mail.** 1900-01 card and cover to France, each with “Marine Française Service à la Mer” markings, the latter sent from Shanghai, with military correspondence pmk to indicate acceptance of free letters 150.00

French Forces Abroad - Crete

- 4241 ☒ 1901-03 five covers or cards from “Corps D’Occupation de Crete”, stampless usages from La Canee and Sitia, others with French franking, used from Candia, San-Nicolo (5c stationery entire envelope to Paris, signed Calves), various pmks and endorsements, fine (web photo)..... 200.00

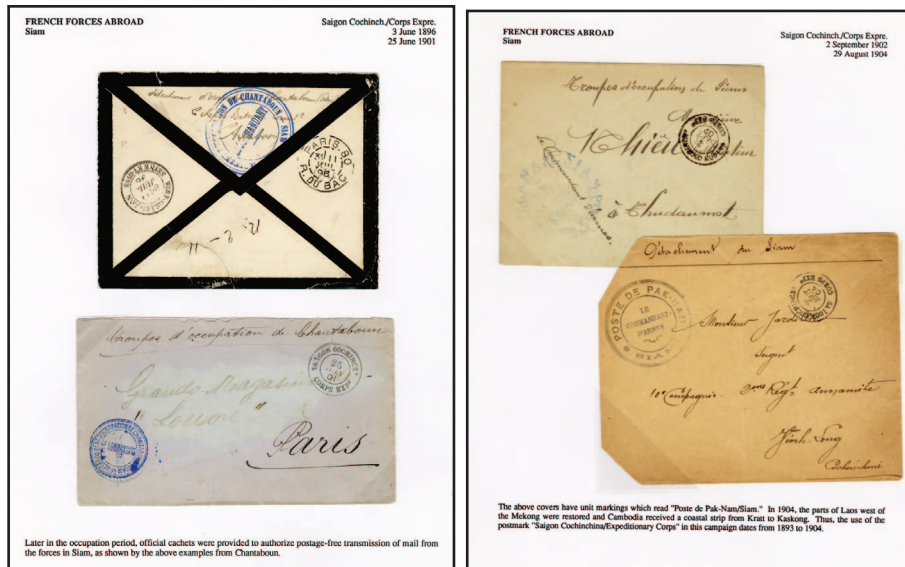
Thailand



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4243

- 4242 ☒ 1893 cover to Grenoble, endorsed “Corps Expeditionnaire du Siam”, franked with 15c Indo-Chine, canceled on arrival at base post office, some toning, with arrival pmk 150.00
- 4243 ☒ 1894 (28 Jan) cover endorsed “Chantaboun Occupation Detachment”, addressed to Chief of Colonial Services in Paris, showing “Saigon Cochinch. Corps Exped.” departure cds, with “Corps Exp.Tonkin” (10 Feb) transit and handstamp of the senior postal official, arrival markings on back, fine (Chantaboun was occupied in 1893 by a French force of four hundred men, a step taken by France as a guarantee for the execution by Siam of undertakings entered into by the treaty of that year. The occupation, which was merely military and did not affect the civil government, lasted until January 1905, when, in accordance with the provisions of the Franco-Siamese treaty of 1904, the garrison of occupation was withdrawn) 150.00



4244 ☒

1896-1904 four covers or cards to France, including mourning envelope with "Corps d'occupation de Chantaboun" handstamp, others with "Detachement du Siam" and "Poste de Pak-Nam/Siam" markings, mixed condition, all neatly described on exhibit pages

500.00

FRENCH COLONIES

French Forces in the Turkish Empire



4245 ☒

1915-21 collection of 24 covers or cards, showing French Forces in Dardanelles, including registered and fieldpost covers, Allied Forces in Turkey in Europe/Base of Constantinople cachets, Tresor et Postes 502, established at the HQ of the Allied Orient Army, cover franked with overprinted and unoverprinted French stamps, censor markings, Fieldpost cards, Air Mail service "Armée Alliées en Orient Poste Aérienne" covers to France, with special cachets, Naval Mail, including maritime hospital cachets, French fieldpost in Western Anatolia, etc.

750.00

French Occupation of Castellorizo

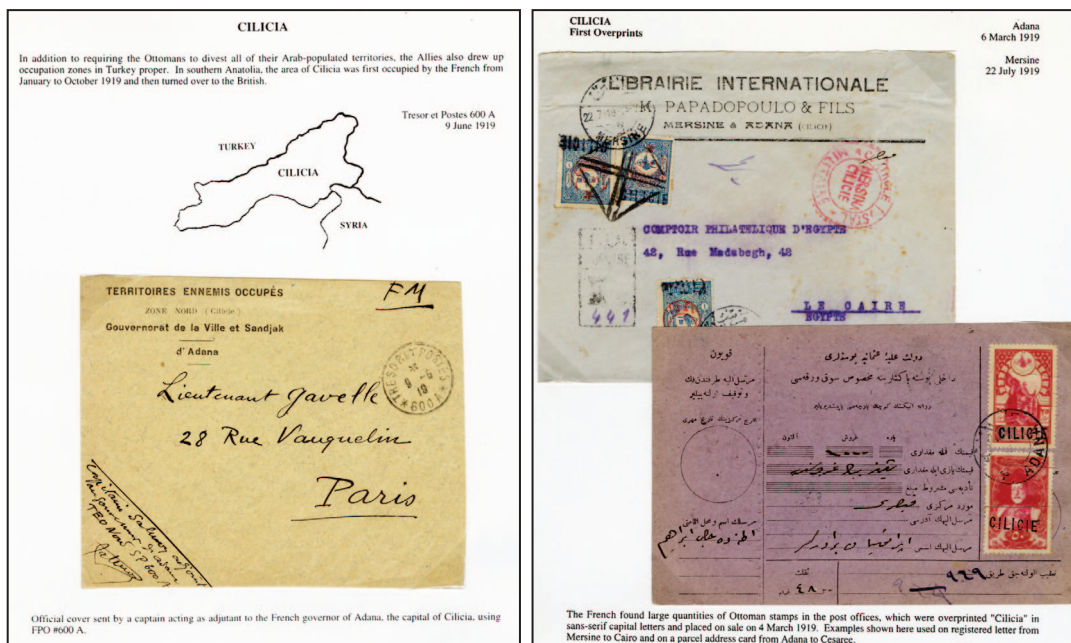


4246 ☒

1916-21 "Occupation Francaise", four covers, one with Greek 50L, another with French Levant 1pi franking, canceled by distinct Naval cachets, two others franked with six different "O.F. Castellorizo" overprints, tied by framed departure datestamps, delivered by the gunboat "Malicieuse" to Cilicia, Censor label, various endorsements, mixed condition, fine (the French Navy led by the cruiser "Jeanne d'Arc" occupied Castellorizzo in 1915 and held it until 1921, when in the "Treaty of Sevres", the island was assigned to Italy)

500.00

French Occupation of Cilicia



4247 ☒

1919-23 collection of 15 covers or cards on exhibit pages, including "Territoires Ennemis Occupes Zone Nord (Cilicie)" corner card cachet sent by an adjutant to the French Governor of Adana, using Tresor et Postes 600A, covers with Ottoman stamps handstamped "Cilicie", registered, censored cover to Cairo, Parcel Address card from Adana to Caesarea, covers and cards from Mersine and Tarsus, "T.E.O." Cilicie overprinted stamps, Registered cover from Tarsus to USA, with small oval "Censure Tarsus" handstamp, "O.M.F." overprints, Official mail, including 1923 cover with Turkish franking, another with a red "Mission Francaise en Cilicie" cachet, sent to Scutari, Albania (unusual destination), fine and interesting collection

1,000.00

French Occupation of Ile Rouad



4248 4248 1916-20 selection of six registered covers, various frankings and destinations, showing use of standard Levant issues, overprinted "Ile Rouad", high values, censored mail, provisional Registry markings, etc.

500.00

GERMANY



4249 P Semi-Postals. 1945 NSKK/NSFK prepared but unissued set of two rose red, perforated and affixed on gray card together with the SS-SA set, v.f., card numbered "I", with closed tear at bottom, signed Buhler. A great rarity from Germany (The two unissued stamps were planned for May 1945 and were printed at the government printing offices in Vienna, but they were never delivered to the postal service in Berlin, due to the collapse and surrender of the German Third Reich. The stamps were to have commemorated the Motor Corps (NSKK) and the Flying Corps (NSFK). Some of these stamps were discovered by Allied forces in Vienna after the end of World War II and were destroyed. A few cartons did escape destruction, probably via the pockets of Allied soldiers returning home after the war, and they are certainly prized philatelic rarities today) cat. €80,000

(Mi.VK) 25,000.00

GERMAN COLONIES

German Offices in Morocco



4250 ☒

Ship Mail. 1891-98 Exhibit page with two postal cards, one with "Aus Westafrika" "Schiffsbrief", the other "Aus Wes Africa mit Hamburger Dampfer" markings, the former with manuscript "Mogador" origination and postmarked on arrival in Hamburg, fine

250.00

German Offices in the Turkish Empire



4251 ☒

1875 (3 Dec) cover to Marseille, franked with 2x20pf and 25pf, tied by "Deutsche Post Constantinople" cds, minor cover faults, with transit and arrival pmks, signed Bothe

250.00

German Offices in China



4252 ☒

Military Mail. 1900-02 collection of 28 covers or cards neatly displayed on 14 exhibit pages, showing side markings, including "Deutsches Lager Shanghai", "Postdienst Langfang", violet "I. Ostasiasiat Infanterie Regiment II Bataillon" handstamps, two-line "Garrison Verwaltungs Commission Yangtsun", "Deutsche Abteilung der Internat. Polizei", Naval Hospital Yokohama special datestamp, also a fieldpost letter from Tsingau (9.II.00) addressed to German Hospital Yokohama, provisional "Tschoutsun", including a registered cover "via Suez" to Wiesbaden, registered covers from Tianfu, Swatau, "Shanghai-Tientsin" Seepost, Fieldpost forerunner cancels, registered cover "K.D.Feldpostexped.des Osiatischen Expeditionscorps", Feldpost station No.2 (sent by Graf. Feldmarshall von Waldersee, the Supreme Commander of Allied Forces in China), No.3 (Yangtsun), No.4 (Tongku), No.5 (Tientsin), No.6 (Fuping), No.7 (Paotingfu), No.8 (Shanhaikuan), No.9 (Peithaho), No.10 (Kaiping), "Peking Kaiserpalast", "Taku-Sudfort", "Kaiserlich Deutsche Bahnpost Peking-Taku", etc. A superb presentation, with many scarce items

2,000.00

GERMAN WORLD WAR II OCCUPATION ISSUES

German Occupation of Albania



4253 ☒

1943 Issue, two registered covers franked with 14 different surcharges (the complete set), used locally in Tirana, scattered toning, otherwise fine-v.f.(Mi.1-14)

250.00



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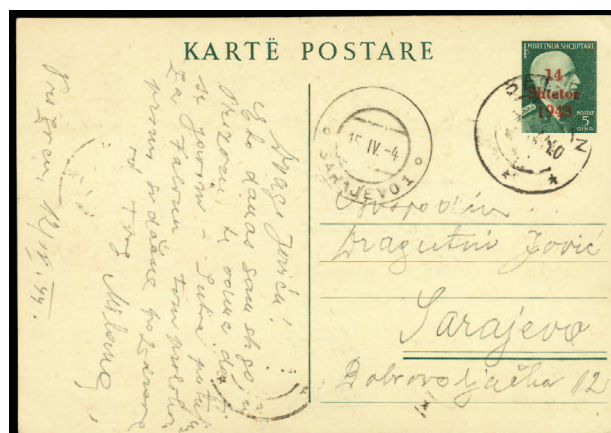
- 4254 ☒ 1944 (16 Aug) registered cover from Tirana to Milan, franked with single 5q and vertical pair of 25q, opened and resealed by German military censors, with (11.Sep) arrival pmk on back, Registry label partly torn-off, cover tears at bottom, rare commercial usage(Mi.4,7) 500.00
- 4255 ☒ 1943 (12 Nov) registered cover used locally in Tirana, franked with 3fr and 25q, with "Express" and Registry labels, backstamped on arrival, v.f.(Mi.13,14) 250.00



- 4256 ☒ **Semi-Postals.** 1944 complete set of seven, used on FDC from Tirana (22.9.44) to Germany, opened and resealed by censor, with Wuppertal (29.9.44) arrival pmk on back(Mi.15-21) 150.00



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- 4257 ☒ **Postal Stationery.** 1944 10q stationery card to Zurich, upfranked with 15q and 30q adhesives, tied by Tirana 25.4.44 departure cds, Registry label alongside, censored, arrival Zurich (9.V.44), fine and rare usage (catalogue value for used card only) cat. €1,750(Mi.P2) 500.00
- 4258 ☒ 1944 5q stationery card to Sarajevo, canceled "Prizren" (12.4.44), additionally franked with 11 different surcharges and three postage dues on reverse, fine and scarce usage, with arrival pmk (15.IV.44)(Mi.P1) 150.00



- 4259 1944 10q double stationery reply card to Struga, inquiry portion upfranked with 65q adhesive, canceled Tirana (27.8.44), minor corner wrinkle, fine and rare, with 1996 Kriskhke certificate (Mi.P6)

500.00

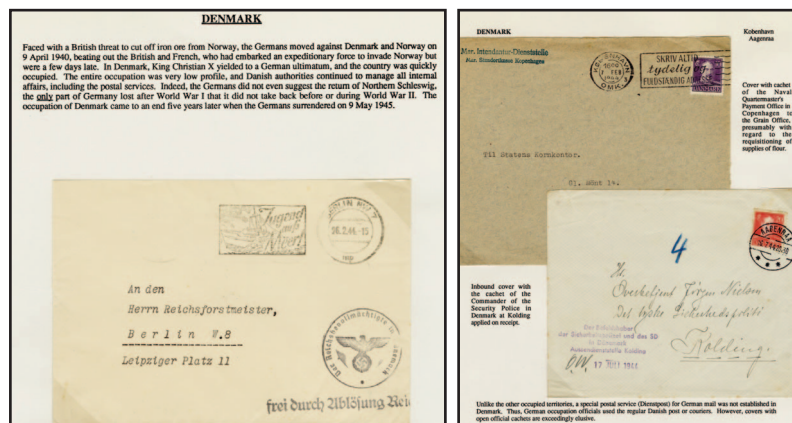
Brac



- 4260 1944 Brac overprints and surcharges on stamps of Yugoslavia, the complete set of six, tied by Nerezisce 15.V.44 cds on cover addressed to Ljubuski, Herzegovina, filing folds between stamps, backflap mostly missing, fine cover, signed Ludin, with his 1969 certificate. A rarity (Nerezisca is a village and a municipality on the island of Brac in Croatia) cat. €4,000 (Mi.I-VI)

750.00

Denmark



- 4261 1941-45 selection of 6 covers or cards, including "Reichs Representative in Denmark" official cover sent by diplomatic pouch to Berlin, cover with Naval Quartermaster's Payment Office cachet; cover from the German Police, with the complete cachet, sent through Danish Post Office, covers with Danish National Socialist Party labels and cachets (Mi.I-VI)

150.00

France



4262 ☒

1941-45 collection of 23 covers or cards on exhibit pages, showing various markings from German re-annexed Alsace-Lorraine, mail from Vichy France, one with "Delegation Generale du Gouvernement Francais dans les Territoires Occupes", mail from Alpes Maritime, censored mail, registered covers from St. Nazaire, including two stationery entire envelopes "ILOT de St-Nazaire", others with 40c and 2fr Ship franking, plus two covers from Dunkerque, with type II handstamps, fine and representative collection of German Occupied France

750.00

Dunkirk



4263 ☒

1940 25c green, vertical pair overprinted Type I, used with unoverprinted pair of 25c on cover from Ghysvilde to Dunkirk, with arrival pmk on back, signed Pierre Mayer and Kriskche, cat. €1,000.....
.....(Mi.11/I)

250.00



4264 ☒

1940 25c green, upper right sheet corner margin block of four, overprinted Type I (inverted) in the middle, used on cover from Ghysvilde to Dunkirk, with arrival pmk on back, signed Roumet, Tust, etc., cat. €1,200

250.00



- 4265 1940 25c green, block of four, overprinted Type I (catalogued as two vertical pairs), used on cover from Dunkirk to Bergues, with arrival pmk on back, fine, cat. €1,700(Mi.11/IK) 250.00



- 4266 1940 50c rose, vertical and horizontal pairs, each overprinted Type I, used on covers from Dunkirk to Arneke and from Saint Paul sur Mer to Dunkirk, with arrival pmks, one with small marginal tear, otherwise fine-v.f. variety "Besetztes Gebiet Nord Frankreich" split to sides, used on cover from Zeggars-Cappel to Vichy, fine and unusual variety on cover (catalogued as the normal stamp on cover) cat. €1,600(Mi.2 I) 250.00



- 4267 1940 1fr green, overprinted Type I, variety "Besetztes Gebiet Nord frankreich" split to sides, used on cover from Zeggars-Cappel to Vichy, fine and unusual variety on cover (catalogued as the normal stamp on cover) cat. €1,500(Mi.20/I,var) 250.00

Festung Lorient



- 4268 ○ 1945 Mercury Head, 10c ultramarine, 30c red, 40c gray violet and 50c greenish blue, four different, each canceled on piece by "Festung Lorient Zensur 10 Marz 1945" datestamp, pencil signed on back, minor perf. toning, otherwise fine-v.f., cat. €3,700(Mi.1-4) 750.00



- 4269 ☒ 1945 30c red used on 1.20fr Petain stationery card, both overprinted "Festung Lorient", canceled by violet Censor cachet, 20 Apr 1945 datestamp, addressed to St. Nazaire, with La Baule (4.5.45) arrival cds alongside, message on reverse completely obliterated by violet ink (censor), v.f., rare usage from German held Lorient Fortress, signed Pickenpack, also Tust, with his 1990 certificate (this card is illustrated in Michel "Ganzachen Deutschland" 2021-22 edition) (catalogue value for Mi.P2 only) cat. €2,500(Mi.2, P2) 750.00



- 4270 ☒ 1945 (22 Apr) cover franked with single 50c Mercury, used with unoverprinted strip of three, tied by Le Palais Morbihan cds to La Baule, with censor markings on both sides, backstamped on arrival (30.4.45), addressee's name blacked out, some tape reinforcements at top, fine, signed Pickenpack, with his 1964 certificate ("with additional franking very rare"), cat. €1,000(Mi.4) 250.00



- 4271 ○ 1945 Petain, 60c violet, 70c orange and 80c green, three different, each canceled on piece by "Festung Lorient Zensur" 10 Marz 1945 datestamp, pencil signed on back, first one with faint toning away from the stamp, fine-v.f., cat. €4,200(Mi.5-7) 1,000.00



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- 4272 ○ 1945 Petain, 1fr rose, 1.20fr red brown, two different, each canceled on piece by "Festung Lorient Zensur" 10 Marz 1945 datestamp, pencil signed on back, minor perf. toning, otherwise v.f., cat. €3,100(Mi.8,9) 750.00
- 4273 ○ 1945 Petain, 1,50fr red brown, 2fr green, 4fr ultramarine, three different, each canceled on piece by "Festung Lorient Zensur" 10 Marz 1945 datestamp, pencil signed on back, minor perf. toning, otherwise v.f., cat. €4,000(Mi.10-12) 750.00



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- 4274 ☒ 1945 1.50fr Petain overprinted "Festung Lorient", canceled by violet Censor cachet, 5 Feb 1945 datestamp, addressed to La Baule (St. Nazaire), filing fold away from the stamp, v.f., cat. €1,000(Mi.10) 150.00
- 4275 ○ 1945 Coat of Arms (Flanders), 5fr black & orange, canceled on piece by "Festung Lorient Zensur" 10 Marz 1945 datestamp, pencil signed on back, minor toning, otherwise v.f., only 75 printed, cat. €6,000.....(Mi.14) 1,000.00



- 4276 1945 5fr gray black (AMG stamp for France Arch of Triumph) overprinted "Festung Lorient", canceled by "Le Palais Morbihan" (5.3.45), with a violet Censor cachet, 13 Mar 1945 datestamp, addressed to La Baule (St. Nazaire), with arrival pmk (19.3.45) on back, v.f., signed Roger North, Pickenpack and Tust, with their 1974 and 1981 certificates. Only 30 (!) stamps overprinted, extremely rare on cover, cat. €16,000(Mi.15) 5,000.00



- 4277 1945 2fr+4fr carmine brown (Colbert), stamp and sheet margin overprinted "Festung Lorient", tied by violet Censor 20 Apr 1945 datestamp, addressed to La Baule (St. Nazaire), with arrival pmk (30.4.45), taxed "T", red "Republique Francaise 1.00" charged, v.f., signed Tust. Only 15 (!) stamps overprinted, extremely rare on cover, cat. €14,000(Mi.20) 3,500.00



- 4278 1945 4fr ultramarine (AMG stamp for France Arch of Triumph), canceled on piece by "Festung Lorient Zensur" 10 Marz 1945 datestamp, fine and rare stamp, only 25 (!) issued, signed Tust, BPP, cat. €12,000(Mi.A12) 2,500.00



- 4279 ○ 1945 10fr orange (AMG stamp for France Arch of Triumph) overprinted "Festung Lorient", canceled on piece by a violet Censor cachet, 10 Mar 1945 datestamp, faint toning, otherwise fine, signed Dr.Schmitt, also Tust, with his 1990 certificate. Only 4 (!) stamps overprinted, cat. €20,000.(Mi.A15) 5,000.00



- 4280 ☒ 1945 1.20fr+2.80fr gray black (Pascal), sheet margin example, used together with 80c Petain, each overprinted "Festung Lorient", on cover to La Baule (St.Nazaire), stamps tied by violet Censor and 20 Apr 1945 datestamps, with arrival pmk (30.4.45), taxed "T", red "Republique Francaise 1.00" charged, v.f., signed Tust. A rarity, only 15 (!) stamps overprinted, extremely rare on cover, cat. €14,000(Mi.A17) 4,000.00



- 4281 ○ 1945 Petain, 4.50fr green, two different, each canceled on piece by "Festung Lorient Zensur" 19 Marz 1945 and 10 Marz 1945 datestamps, the former with red overprint, pencil signed on back, faint toning away from the stamps, v.f., rare, cat. €11,500(Mi.B12a,B13) 2,500.00

St. Nazaire

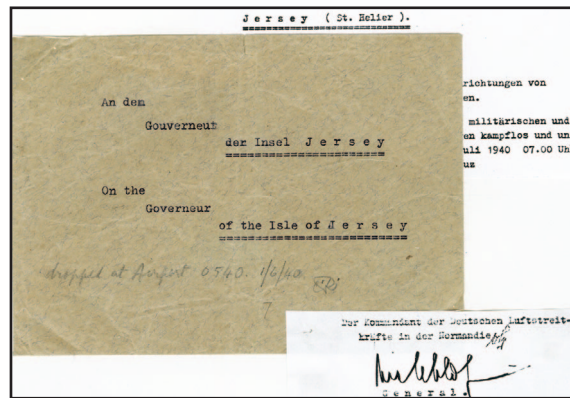


- 4282
- 1940 cover franked with 1fr red, left sheet margin single, tied by a red “Best. Geb.Wesb.” (swastikas on the sides) (Occupied Territory West) handstamp, addressed to a Dr.Helm, Dunkirk (O.T.-Revier), handstamped “Kurier Nr.120” and Fieldpost handstamp, with framed “Org. Todt” hs on back, v.f., rare cover, signed Beaudois, also Tust BPP, with his 1980 certificate (Organisation Todt (OT) was a civil and military engineering organization in Germany from 1933-45, named for its founder, Fritz Todt, an engineer and senior member of the Nazi Party. This conglomerate was responsible for a huge range of engineering projects in Germany and in occupied territories from France to the Soviet Union. The organization was notorious for using forced labor and from 1943, they administered all constructions of concentration camps). A rare cover, Mi. €13,000 2,500.00



- 4283 P
- 1945 Ship, 50c and 1fr, imperforate “Chambre de Commerce de Saint-Nazaire” proof sheetlets on watermarked paper, fine-v.f., very rare, cat. €12,000.....(Mi.1Sb-2Sb II) 2,000.00

Channel Islands

4284 

1940 with the Fall of France, German forces took St. Malo on 22 June and Britain decided that defending the islands was impracticable. Jersey was demilitarized, British troops withdrew, but on 28th June, German aircraft machine-gunned the island and dropped bombs, killing ten civilians. On July 1st, a warplane dropped copies of a two-page letter to the "Chief of the Military and civil offices on Jersey (St. Helier)", an ultimatum demanding that white flags be flown and white crosses be painted on the ground. An envelope addressed to the Governor of the Island of Jersey, with the ultimatum letter, signed by the Commanding General of the German Air Force in Normandy, rare historical document

500.00



4285 ★★

1940 King George VI 1937 definitives, set of 13, also 1940 Centenary set of five, plus the so-called "Bigwood Essay", the complete set of 19, with the swastika stamped over the head of the King, n.h., mostly v.f. (½p with a tiny corner perf. irregularity), fine-v.f., with 1998 Michael Wieneke certificate (in July 1940, the German commandant for Jersey, ordered Messrs. Bigwoods, the official State printers to prepare a metal casting inscribed "Jersey 1940" and depicting a swastika. This device was used to overprint 60 copies each of the regular definitives ½p-1sh, 40 each of the Centenary stamps, except for the 1p value, which was unavailable. Bigwood overprinted a new 1p imperf. stamp ("the Bigwood essay") to fill in. The Bailiff of Jersey objected and the decision was eventually made not to issue the amended set, as it was feared that this would offend Jersey's inhabitants and make it more difficult for the German forces to prevail over them. Most of the prepared stamps were destroyed and only four (!) sets survived. One was purchased in auction for the Jersey Postal Museum in 1974, another is in the archives of the "Jersey Evening Post", leaving only two in private hands)

25.000.00



- 4286 ☐ 1940-41 collection of 15 covers or cards, Guernsey, used locally, franked with unoverprinted British adhesives, bisected George V 2p orange, diagonal halves of 2d Centenary stamps, issued Coat of Arms stamps, Jersey Landscapes on registered covers, German Feldpost covers to France, those with German franking, violet "Bei der Feldpost Eingeliefert" handstamp, etc. 500.00

Kotor



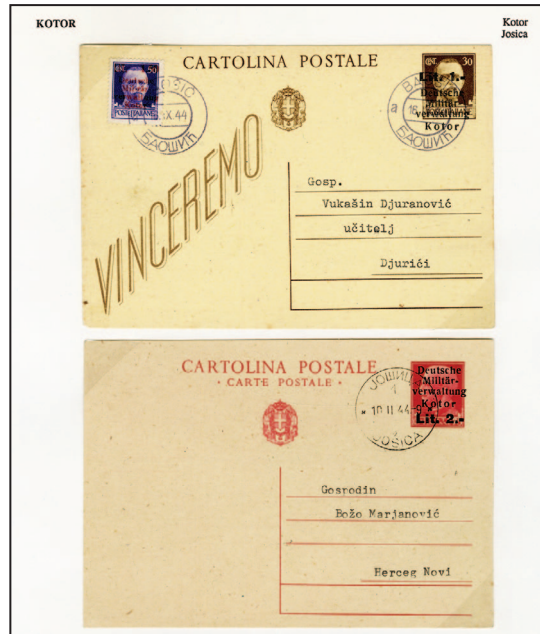
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- 4287 ☐ 1944 surcharges, complete set of six, used on locally addressed "Hercegnovi 10.II.44" cds, "Expres" label below, folded between stamps, fine-v.f., cat. €800(Mi.1-6) 200.00
- 4288 ☐ 1944 (7 Aug) registered cover to Zagreb, franked with 1.50L on 50c violet (two singles and strip of three), tied by Kotor departure pmks, Registered label and censor markings "Platz Kommandatur Cattaro", another "Prufungsstelle in Cattaro" and Zagreb arrival pmk on back, minor filing fold through one of the stamps, otherwise fine and rare(Mi.3) 300.00



- 4289 ★★ 1944 unissued Pictorials, set of six, n.h., v.f., signed Sieger, cat. €5,400(Mi.I-VI) 1,000.00



- 4290 ☒ **Postal Stationery.** 1944 Italian stationery cards 30c and 75c, overprinted and surcharged for Kotor, canceled "Baotic" and "Josica", v.f. (Michel unpriced used)(Mi.P1-2) 250.00

Laibach



- 4291 ☒ 1944 issue, the complete set of 12, used on registered, locally addressed Ljubljana cover, with 2.VIII.44 pmks, registry label, handstamped "Predano pri okenou" (handed at window) handstamp, v.f., with 1992 Kruschke certificate ("this issue used is very rare") (catalogued as used off cover) cat. €6,000(Mi.33-44) 1,000.00



- 4292 **Air Post.** 1944 Issue, complete set of eight used on registered, Special Delivery cover from Ljubljana to Switzerland, Laibach (12.VII.44) pmk on back, also military censor label and cachet, Luzerne (10.VIII.44) arrival, v.f., cat. €1,800.....(Mi.21-28) 300.00



- 4293 **Postal Stationery.** 1944-45 four different Italian stationery cards and lettersheet, surcharged and overprinted in Laibach, used from Grosslupp, Laibach and Jeschza, one registered, fine and scarce group, cat. €1,000(Mi.K1,P2II,3-4) 250.00

Lithuania



- 4294 1941 Vilnius overprints, complete set of nine, used on locally addressed Registered cover, with arrival pmk, v.f., signed Zierer, with his 1966 certificate, cat. €1,500(Mi.10-18) 300.00

Montenegro

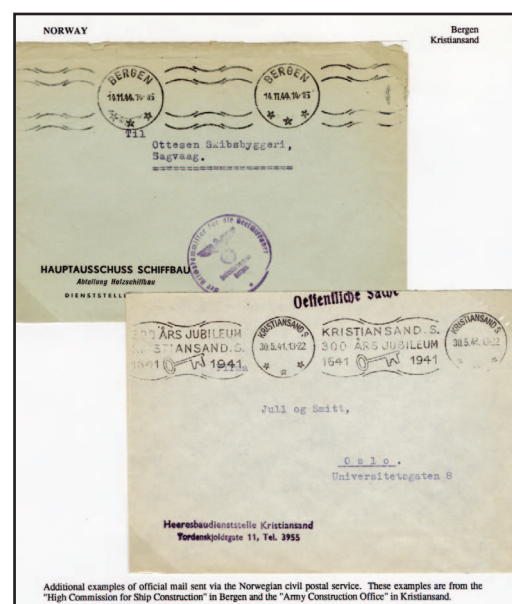
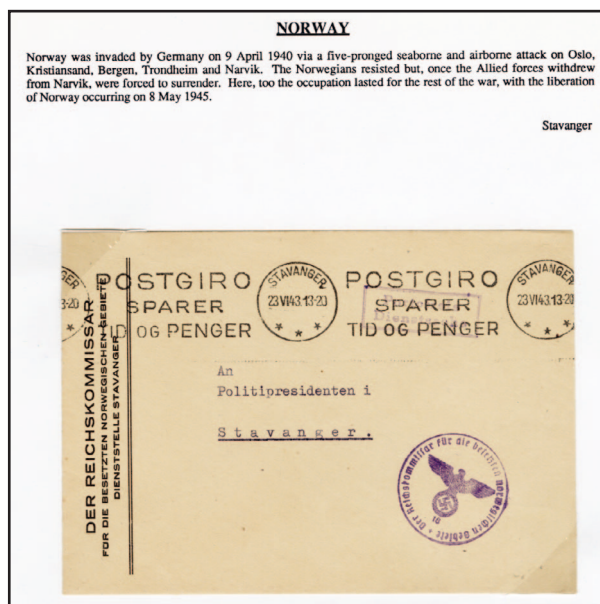


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- 4295 ☑ 1943 overprints, 25c-5L set of five, canceled by Cetinje 14.12.43 pmks on large, locally used registered cover, v.f., with 1986 Kriskhke certificate (catalogued as used off cover) cat. €3,000 (Mi.10-14) 500.00
- 4296 ☑ 1944 overprints, complete set of nine, canceled by Cetinje 26.V.44 pmks on locally used registered cover, v.f., with 1986 Kriskhke certificate ("genuine used, these stamps are rare") cat. €2,400 (Mi.20-28) 500.00

Norway



- 4297 ☑ 1941-45 selection of 11 covers, including "Der Reichskommissar fur die Besetzen Norwegischen-Gebiete Dienststelle Stavanger" (Reichs commissioner for occupied Norway in Stavanger) official cover sent free of charge, others from Bergen, Kristiansand, Narvik, Tromso, Drontheim and Oslo, including one with "Organisation Todt Einsatzgruppe Viking", censored mail to Denmark, cover with Norwegian Legion stamp, etc. A fine group displayed on exhibit pages 250.00

Pleskau



4298

- 4298 ☐ 1941 20k on 1pf Hindenburg, red and black surcharges, used in combination with surcharges on 5k, 10k and 15k on 20k/20k stationery card, canceled 10.9.41 Pskov, addressed locally, minor tone spots, otherwise v.f., with 1993 Krishke certificate, cat. €1,970(Mi.1a,b,4-6,P5) 500.00
- 4299 ☐ 1941 20k on 10k stationery card, additionally franked with 60k on 20k, 60k on 30k, tied by Pskov (27.9.41) pmks, Registered and addressed locally, v.f.(Mi.7,8) 250.00



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- 4300 ☐ 1942 Red Cross imperforate souvenir sheet of four, canceled by Pskov 12.3.42 pmk on back of registered cover, addressed locally, minor wrinkles, v.f. (catalogued as the least expensive variety) cat. €1,500(Mi.Block 2) 400.00
- 4301 ☐ **Postal Stationery.** 1941 10k red, 20k green, stationery cards overprinted PLESKAU in violet, canceled by Russian "Pskov" 7.8.41 pmks, addressed locally, v.f., rare 1,000.00



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Serbia



4302

- 4302 ☒ 1941 (1 May) cover used locally in Pancevo, franked with six Yugoslavia adhesives (1.50d King Peter II and five Postage Dues), each handstamped "Post Pantschowa" with swastika in violet, tied by bilingual "Panchevo/Pancevo" cds, v.f., signed Jbar, also Mirko Verner, with his 1974 certificate ("these handstamps were prepared in anticipation of the occupation by the German minority in Pancevo. Only 6 such covers have been recorded") 500.00



4303

- 4303 ☒ 1941 (8 May) cover franked with single Yugoslavia 1.50d King Peter II, used together with horizontal pair of 0.25f handstamped with large "Post Pantschowa" in circle, all tied by bilingual "Panchevo/Pancevo" cds, addressed to Scervenka, cover mending on reverse, otherwise fine and rare usage of this provisional handstamp, with 1987 Novakovic certificate 500.00



The first issue for Serbia consisted of 50,000 sets of 15 overprints on Yugoslav stamps, which came into circulation on 2 June 1941. The underlying issue depicting King Peter II was reprinted, with a colored network added. It was then overprinted "Serbia" in German, reading from upper left to lower right.

- 4304 ☒ 1941 "Serbien" overprints, 0.25d-30d complete set of 15, used on four registered covers, mostly fine-v.f. (catalogued as used off cover) cat. €2,000(Mi.1-15) 500.00



- 4305 E 1944 Prepared but not issued, 4d magenta (Obradovic) and 12d gray blue (Vuk Karadzic), imperforate (engraved) die proofs on wove paper, v.f. 250.00



- 4306 4306 **Semi-Postals.** 1941 Semendria perf. and imperf. souvenir sheets used locally in Belgrade, each with additional "Serbien" definitives on registered, censored covers with 27.XI.41 departure pmks, backstamped the same day, some toning, otherwise fine and extremely rare, with 1998 Kriskhke certificates, cat. €2,000(Mi.Block 1-2) 500.00
- 4307 (★) 1944 Prepared but not issued, imperforate sheetlet of 16, unused, printed without gum, v.f., rare, cat. €16,000(Mi.I-IVB) 2,500.00



4308



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- 4308 ☒ **Air Post.** 1941 "Serbien" overprints on Air Post stamps, 0.50d-50d complete set of 10, tied by bilingual Nish (30.VI.43) pmks on cover addressed to Germany, censor handstamps and label at left, v.f., cat. €4,500(Mi.16-25) 500.00
- 4309 ☒ 1941 "Serbien" overprints and surcharges on Air Post stamps, 1d-12d complete set of five, used on three registered covers locally addressed in Belgrade, with bilingual departure, Registry labels, censor markings and labels, v.f., with three parcel receipts, Krischke 1996 (photocopy) and 2000 certificates ("sehr selten") cat. €5,000(Mi.26-30) 500.00



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- 4310 ☒ **Postal Stationery.** 1944 2d green (Vuk Karadzic) stationery card canceled by bilingual "Sahile" (8 Aug 1944) cds, addressed to Baranda, with arrival (11 Aug) pmk alongside, violet censor handstamp, v.f., with 1995 Krstic certificate. A rare stationery card issued late in the war, with very limited use, cat. €1,000(Mi.P6) 500.00

Ukraine

- 4311 ☒ 1943 5pf and 6pf reply card overprinted "Ukraine", the latte inquiry and reply portions of reply cards, used from Werchne-Dnjeprowsk, Luck, Rowno and Pinsk, rare, cat. €3,000(Mi.P1,P3F,A) 500.00

Alexanderstadt



- 4312 1942 1.50r on 30k dark blue, canceled 14.5.42 on window-envelope addressed to Berehove, straight-line Alexanderstadt departure handstamp, fine, cat. €1,200(Mi. 7 III) 200.00

Sarny



- 4313 1941 3.00 Krb black on gray, Type IV, position 18, used on registered cover from Dabrowica (11.11.41) to Sarny, with arrival pmk (12.11.41) on back, filing fold away from the stamps, fine and rare commercially used cover, with 1998 Kriskche certificate, cat. €4,500(Mi.6) 1,000.00

South Ukraine



- 4314 ☒ 1944 Issue, the complete set of seven, plus additional shade (Dolinska), used on individual registered covers, registered, mostly in combination with Hitler stamps overprinted "Ukraine", paying proper 42pf rates to Brest-Litowsk, Nikolayev, one to Passau, paying 12pf rate, another without the Hitler stamps, each with "Deutsche Dienstpost Ukraine" markings, violet "Der Gebietskommissar" cachets for Kriwoj Rog, Nowo-Mirgorod, Kamenka, Golowanewsk, Cherson, Bobrinez and Dolinska, fine-v.f., extremely rare set on covers, with five 1993 Kirschke certificates, cat. €12,500(Mi.1-7) 5,000.00

Lubomi



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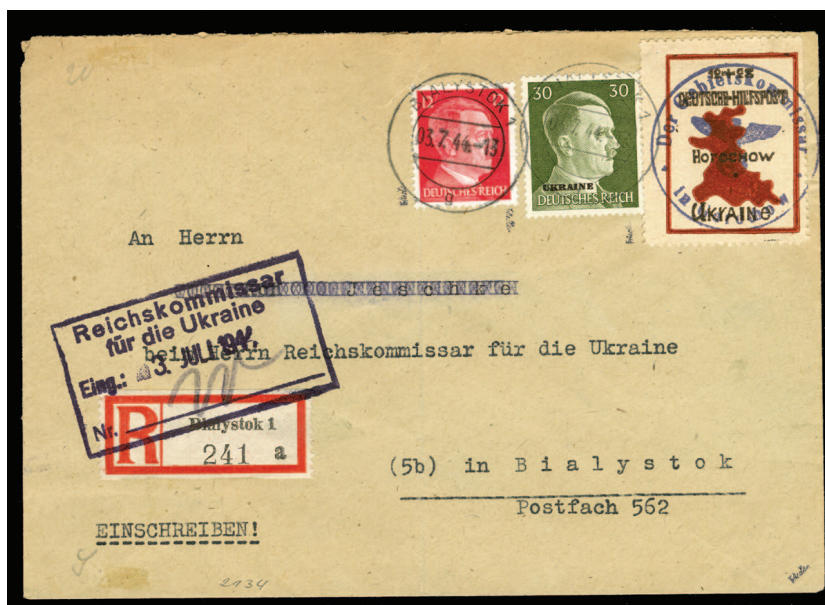
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- 4315 ☒ 1944 Issue, set of four, canceled on cover by violet "Der Gebietskommissar Lubomi" and swastika handstamps, fine-v.f., cat. €900.....(Mi.8-11) 250.00

Wladimir-Wolynsk

- 4316 ☒ 1944 Issue, set of four, canceled on locally addressed cover by violet "Der Gebietskommissar Wladimir Wolynsk" and swastika handstamps, fine-v.f., cat. €900.....(Mi.12-15) 250.00

Gorochow



4317 ☒

1944 12+28pf Map of the District, tied by "Der Gebietskommissar in Gorochow" handstamp on registered cover to Bialystok, used in combination with 12pf and 30pf Hitler stamps (the latter overprinted "Ukraine"), tied by Bialystok 3.7.44 pmks, with corresponding Registry label, tied by "Reichskommissar fur die Ukraine" datestamp applied on arrival, cover tears and folds away from the stamps, rare usage, signed Keiler. Only 192 stamps issued, few recorded on cover, cat. €12,000.....(M9.16A)


5,000.00




4318 ☒

1944 Issues, three different sets of four, used on three covers, two in combination with Hitler stamps overprinted "Ukraine", canceled "Brest Litowsk", fine-v.f., cat. €2,100.....(Mi.17-28)


500.00

- 4319  1944 Issue, set of four, used on cover with 12pf Hitler overprinted "Ukraine", canceled "Brest Litowsk" (7.7.44), addressed to Luboml, fine-v.f., cat. €700 (web photo)(Mi.21-24) 200.00

Zante

- 4320  1943 registered cover from Zakynthos to Athens, franked with 25c green (red overprint) and strip of 3x50c violet (black overprint), tied by cds, Athens (18 Nov 1943) arrival pmk on back, minor cover tears and flaws, otherwise fine, rare usage, with 1957 BPA certificate(Mi.1,2) 500.00



- 4321  1943 10c brown, handstamped "ELLAS" in red and in black, unused, partly adhered on exhibit page, also Italian "Isole Jonie" stationery card, invalidated and franked with 25c green and 50c lilac, red and black handstamps of each, canceled "Zakynthos", fine(Mi.I/I-II,1-2 I,II) 300.00



- 4322 **Postal Stationery.** 1943 30c Ionian Islands stationery card with “ELLAS” handstamp in black, unused, v.f., signed Ludin, etc. 150.00

Zara



- 4323 1943 three covers franked with a total of 23 different stamps, various types, one with “Besetzung” error (2000 Carraro certificate), used locally, one with a Registry label, fine-v.f. 250.00



- 4324 1943 large registered cover franked with 29 different stamps, 5c-10 Lire, with Propaganda stamps (50c 1-4), Air Post, Special Delivery overprinted Types I, II or III, canceled by Zara Succ.Barcagno 19.11.43 pmks, Registry label alongside, fine-v.f., each stamp signed (on the inside of the cover) by Krishke (catalogued as used) cat. €6,500.....(1/31) 1,000.00



- 4325 1943 20c red, overprinted “Zara” between bars, n.h., v.f., signed, cat. €7,000(Mi.I) 1,000.00



- 4326 **Postage Dues.** 1943 5c-5L mostly type I (5c, 50c and 2L type II), complete set of 11, tied on registered, locally addressed cover by "Zara Arrivi e Partenze" 17.10.43 pmks, with next day arrival pmk, some scattered tone spots, otherwise v.f., with 1995 Kruschke certificate, cat. €7,500 (Mi.P1-11) 1,500.00



4327



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- 4327 **Postal Stationery.** 1943 30c brown, stationery postcard overprinted "Zara" (first type), additionally franked with four different stamps, tied by 11.12.43 pmks, addressed to Trieste, little hinge adhesions, fine 250.00
- 4328 1943 30c brown, stationery postcard overprinted "Zara" between bars, additionally franked with 2L Air Post, tied by departure pmks, addressed to Rome, v.f., signed Diena, etc., rare used, cat. €2,500 (Mi.P2) 500.00

German WWII Fieldpost - Tunis



- 4329 1945 Palm Tree adhesive, canceled on complete front of a parcel addressed to Berlin, endorsed "Feldpost" and used in combination with 20pf Hitler stamp, both tied by appropriate violet handstamp, with Fieldpost cancel alongside, signed Richter, rare (the so-called Africa Corps stamps permitted soldiers to send parcels home upon payment of 20pf postage), cat. €7,000.....(Mi.5a) 1,000.00

U-Boat "Hela"



- 4330 1945 cover franked with the U-Boat adhesive, canceled Feldpost 03.4.45, addressed to Hamburg, with violet "Briefstempel Offentliche Feldpost Nummer 18305 D", showing return address of "Feldw. Kurt Hinrichs M/18 305 P Marinepoststampt Berlin", minor cover tears and folds, still fine and extremely rare usage (in early 1945, the German 31st Infantry Division was trapped on the Hel Peninsula, a heavily fortified 35-km long sand bar peninsula off of Gdansk, Poland. In March 1945, the Hela U-Boat stamp was printed by the Division's mapping unit, intended for use on mail transported by U-boats supplying the Germans. Since conventional naval traffic never ceased, the stampd were not used as intended, but are sometimes found used on surface mail), cat. €15,000..... (Mi.13) 2,500.00

Kuban



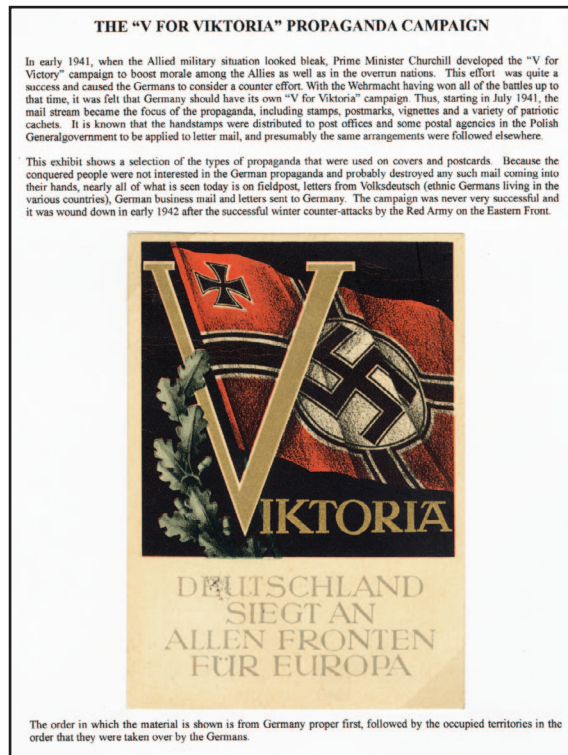
- 4331 1943 (during the German retreat from the Caucasus, special permission stamps were issued allowing soldiers in the Kuban to mail one 1kg package per month upon payment of 20pf postage). A type III label, affixed together with 20pf Hitler stamp and tied by violet "Bei der Feldpost Eingeliefert" markings on a complete parcel front addressed to Gera, fine, extremely rare, cat. €22,000 (Mi.14 IIII) 5,000.00

Crimea



- 4332 1943 (During the German retreat from Crimea, special permission stamps were issued allowing soldiers in the Crimean Peninsula to mail parcels home upon payment of 20pf postage). A Type II perforated adhesive, affixed together with 20pf Hitler stamp, tied by boxed red "Bei der Feldpost Eingeliefert" handstamp on a complete parcel front addressed to Thale-Harz., fine, signed Pickenpack, cat. €9,000(Mi.15 II) 1,500.00

German Propaganda - "V for "Viktoria" Campaign



- 4333 1941-42 collection of 40+ covers or cards, mostly on exhibit pages, with extensive showing of labels and "V" motif slogan cancelations, including Feldpost usages, origins include Austria, Bohemia & Moravia, Poland, Norway, including a "V" label canceled on cover to Dresden, also Netherlands and Luxembourg, Belgium and Serbia, mixed condition, some rare items included (The "V for Viktoria" German campaign was in direct response to Churchill's "V for Victory" effort to boost the morale among the Allies as well as in the German occupied countries) 1,000.00

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