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Canadian Military Mail Study Group

Newsletter #20

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Dear Member:

90...Item 88 - scarce cancels

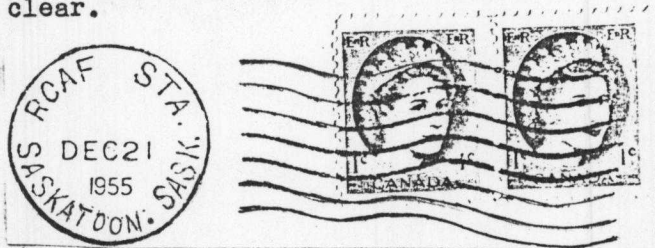
One member reported owning a copy of MPO 1313 and 1208 while another reader has MPO 1208 and 102.

91...Publications of military interest

Recently noted book "Canadians in Russia, 1918-19" by Roy Maclaren. Mac-Millan of Canada - Maclean-Hunter Press, 1976. Another is "The Defense of Prince Rupert - An Eyewitness Account" by RH Roy. A sequence of events in the period Dec 41 - Jun 42. See periodical, B.C. Studies #31, Autumn 1976 issue. Your library may have these.

92...RCAF Sta Saskatoon machine cancel

At the request of one reader another supplied a photocopy of this cancel from his collection. In addition, the TOPICS article by John Wilsdon in February 1958 illustrates an example. Would be interested in knowing if the cancelling device was officially made or of local manufacture? Some strengthening with a pen was necessary so the illustration would be clear.



93...Membership

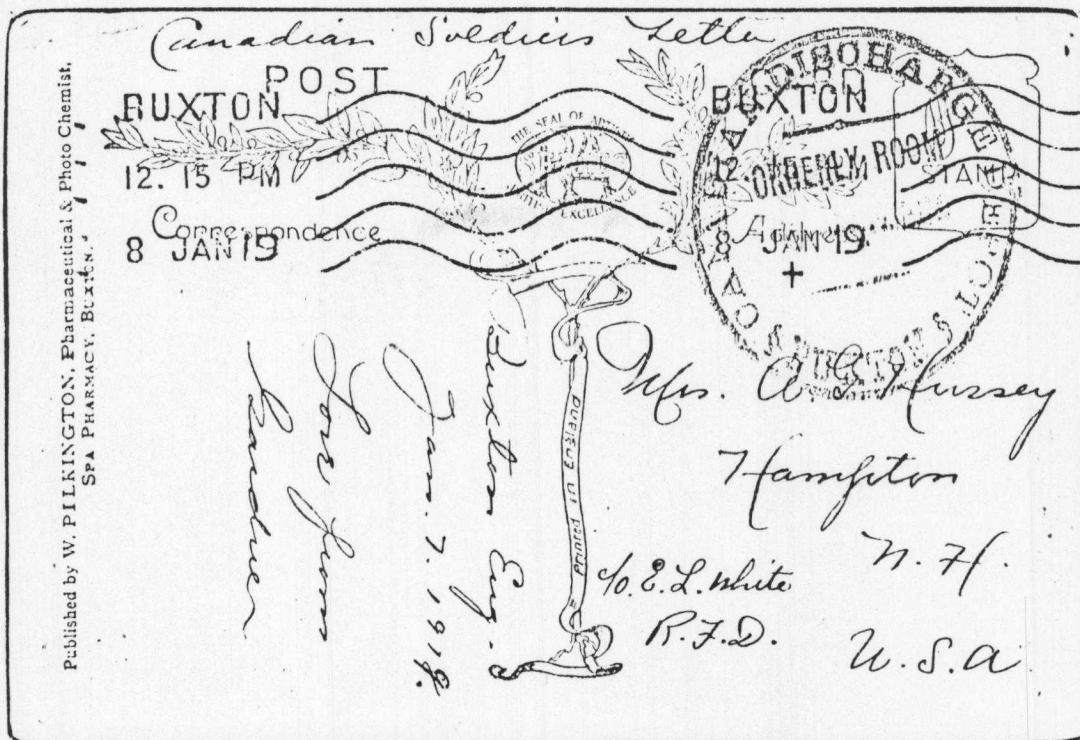
Dr GA Vanderburgh allowed his membership to lapse but is back again so you may add his name to the listing which appeared in the last Newsletter. His address is

a new one, Dr. G.A. Vanderburgh, P.O. Box 204, Shelburne, Ontario, L0N 1S0. Member Wally Gutzman's postal code is H9S 2M6.

Three members have enquired concerning dues but our Treasurer advises that assessments will be made only "as needed" rather than yearly. Now thats a refreshing situation in this age of rising prices, dont you think?

94...Newsletters 22 and 23

Your scribe has something different in mind for these two letters. An extra "48" will be granted to participating members! Seriously, it would be very much appreciated if members provided copy for a change. Eight or ten one page contributions would be enough for two Letters. Its an opportunity to show some favourite cover or to share some interesting item of military postal history. Send photocopies of covers, not the cover itself. Please make your contribution as early as possible remembering we are somewhat tied to 7 pages or so for each Newsletter. If you don't wish to be identified as owning a particular item then please advise and you will remain anonymous.



95...World War One period - Discharge Depot

An interesting Orderly Room marking which reads, CANADIAN DISCHARGE DEPOT - BUXTON - ORDERLY ROOM. The front of the card shows the Empire Hotel - Buxton which apparently served as the depot.

96...Sub Office X - Toronto - Ont.

In answer to a question this cover is shown. It apparently followed Pte. Hale from Niagara to the discharge centre located at the Exhibition Grounds, arriving NO 21 18. Hale had been discharged 9-10-18 so the letter was sent to the branch D.L.O. Toronto 25 NOV., this marking appearing on the reverse in violet. No doubt other readers have seen examples of the Sub Office X cancel used during World War One in connection with the military? Note absence of cds to left of machine bars.

A clipping on file which appeared in a 1968 newspaper recalls, quote- " FIFTY YEARS" Jan 10, 1918 - About 30 young men of Peel left yesterday for the Exhibition Training Camp in Toronto. They make up the first calling of draftees under the Military Service Act. Across the country 20,000 will be called and will be overseas within a few weeks". unquote.

Pte. R. Hale, #3034510,

1st. Bn. 1st. C.O.R.

Camp Hospital,

Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont.



*Discharged*

9-1007 CALLED FOR





97...Survey Result - Items 87 and 86 PAGES 6 AND 7

The tally shows the number of reports received and the scarcity of this early material is apparent. The WW2 censor markings aren't too plentiful either are they but the contributor of the article, Wilf Whitehead, has some dates to use.  
SEE PAGE 4

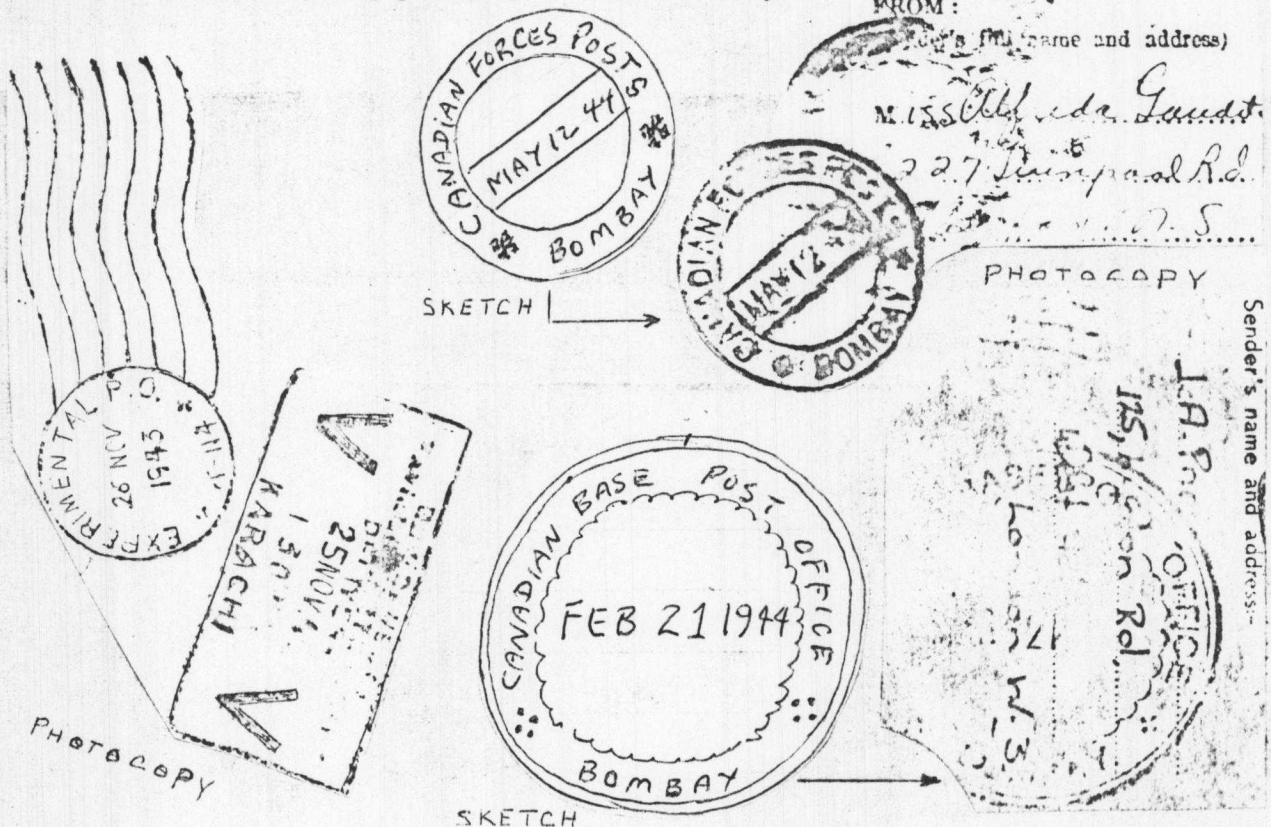
98...Continuing Survey - pages 4 and 5

All items illustrated except the broken circle Camp Borden are seldom seen. The Niagara Camp R oblong may have been manufactured locally? Members reporting to this survey NEED NOT send their returns on the pages provided. Reference in your letter to the particular postmark and its date of usage is quite acceptable and sufficient to enable the tally to be made.

99...Canadian Postal presence in India - WW2

see 107

Wally Gutzman sends illustrations shown below and asks for information. All were used as backstamps, possibly receiver's marks, in 1944 on letters from England and Canada to India. Can members supply data on articles already written perhaps or of other markings used in India bearing the Canadian designation? The experimental marking probably is not military.



Was given a cover which was mailed from Vancouver Feb 1 to a Montreal address. It arrived Feb 15 bearing a \$2.00 Hong Kong stamp and an airmail sticker as well as a Hong Kong machine cancel! The Canadian stamp was not cancelled other than by the Hong Kong cancel.

All for now....

Colin, Ed, Ken.

Period 1909-1918 continued

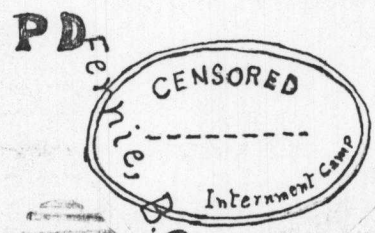
**CENSORED**

..... Major  
O.C. Detention Barracks Fort Henry



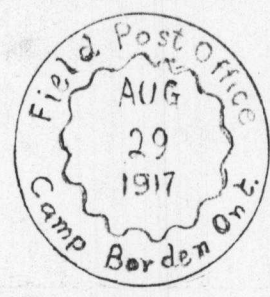
internment camp  
op 18 Aug 14  
cl 3 May 17

sensor mark possibly used prior to large circular type - straight line type above in mauve - initials by censor in green - cds cancelled stamps on cover - note poorly centr'd "KINGSTON" - two examples known - see Canadian Philatelist May 1973 page 119 for further details - mark used at lower left corner of cover



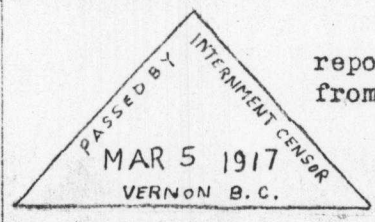
Fernie-Morrissey camp  
op 9 Jun 15  
cl 21 Oct 18

oval censor mark and Fernie, BC in blue - PD in deep purple - censor's initials in red - duplex cancelled stamp on cover - one example known - see TOPICS Dec 1962 page 311 for further details - mark used at lower left corner of cover



34mm diameter probably rubber hammer example seen in bright purple

see Lowe's page 314



reported only from Vernon

seen in red



proof only

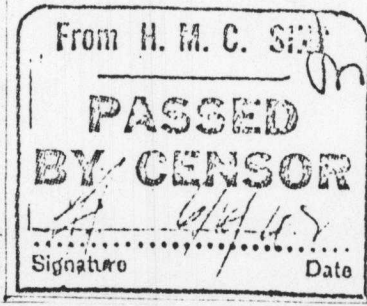
note "THE FIELD", etc.



usage dates  
12/5/41  
29/8/41  
30/7/42  
30/1/42  
20/1/42 (Trinidad)

#1

NOTE: #3, 4 & 5 had one date for each reported. #6 nil



6/4/42  
25/7/42  
13/12/41  
20/1/42  
12/6/42  
4/7/42  
15/9/41

#2

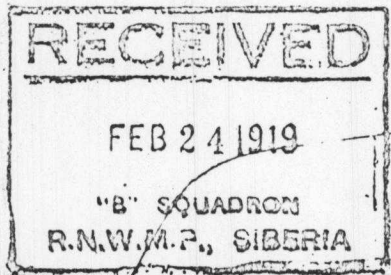


Period 1919-1939 (Aug 31)



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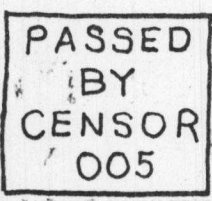
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see our Newsletter #9 item 6

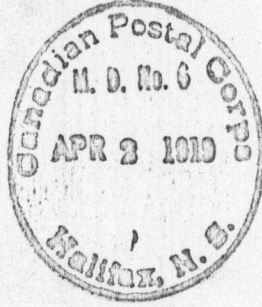


known in purple and fuchsia purple



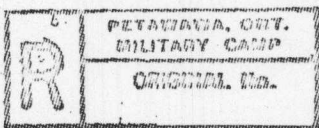
- 001 known
- 002 "
- 004 "
- 005 "
- 006 "
- 009 "
- 010 "
- 016 "

the writings of Ed Richardson and the late Edith M. Faulstich is hereby acknowledged



proof only known

proofed June 1923



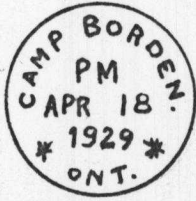
Petawawa

Camp Borden

known used in



1937



reddish violet seen

24mm dia.

likely a rubber hammer








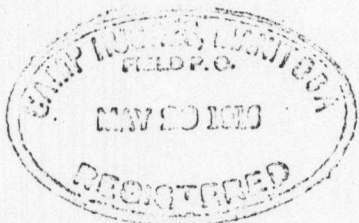


Camp Borden Ont

Valcartier PQ


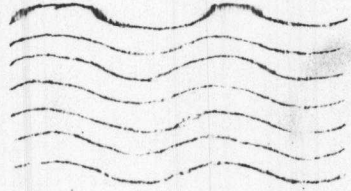
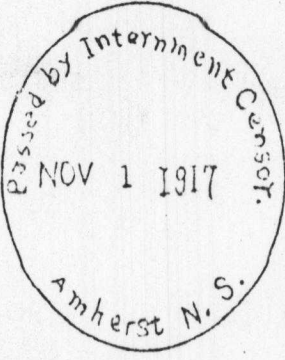


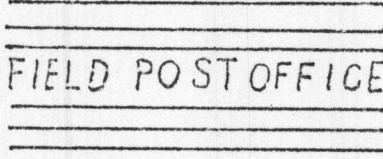




"free" strikes seen

Period 1909-1918 continued

	proof only	nil		strikes known from: London Ont Barriefield Ont Aldershot NS Niagara Ont	one three one one
	small lettering rubber hammer  proof dated	F I V E	proofs only of: Vernon BC Valcartier PQ Sussex NB Sarcee Alta	nil nil nil nil	
	large lettering steel hammer  proof dated  several hammers exist	F I V E	roller cancel <u>1915</u>  Camp Borden Ont * FPO #1 Niagara Ont Camp Hughes Man  <u>1918</u> * FPO #6 Aldershot NS FPO #7 Petawawa Ont * have been seen used	nil nil nil nil nil	
	eight metal hammers were made  proof dated 1915  note hammer #16	nil		military camp A  military camp B	nil nil
#15 hammer incorrectly spells - "EXEPDITIONARY"				proof only 1916	nil



Period 1909-1918 continued

  <p><i>W/ONT ✓ JUN 21/16</i></p> <p>International machine dater die wavy line killer scarce</p>	<p>ONE</p>	 <p>internment camps in Canada - WWI</p> <p>censor marks known from:</p>	
 <p>good strikes are scarce</p>	<p>TWO</p>	<p>Kapuskasing Ont Amherst NS Vernon BC Kingston Ont Lethbridge Alta Valcartier (PQ) <i>KIDNAIMO</i></p>	<p><i>one</i> <i>one</i> <i>nil</i> <i>one</i> <i>nil</i> <i>nil</i></p>
 		 <p>civil markings used by the Army in WWI</p> <p>Victoria BC</p>	<p>THREE</p>
<p>Universal machine dater die</p> <p>Camp Borden Ont Valcartier PQ Toronto Ont</p>	<p>FIVE <i>one</i> <i>one</i></p>	 <p>Toronto Ont</p>	<p>FOUR</p>
 <p>op 1 Jun 17 cl 19 Jan 19</p> <p>a 1917 and a 1918 date is known</p>	<p><i>nil</i></p>	 <p>proof copy shown examples not known</p>	<p><i>nil</i></p>