

## The Siberian Intervention



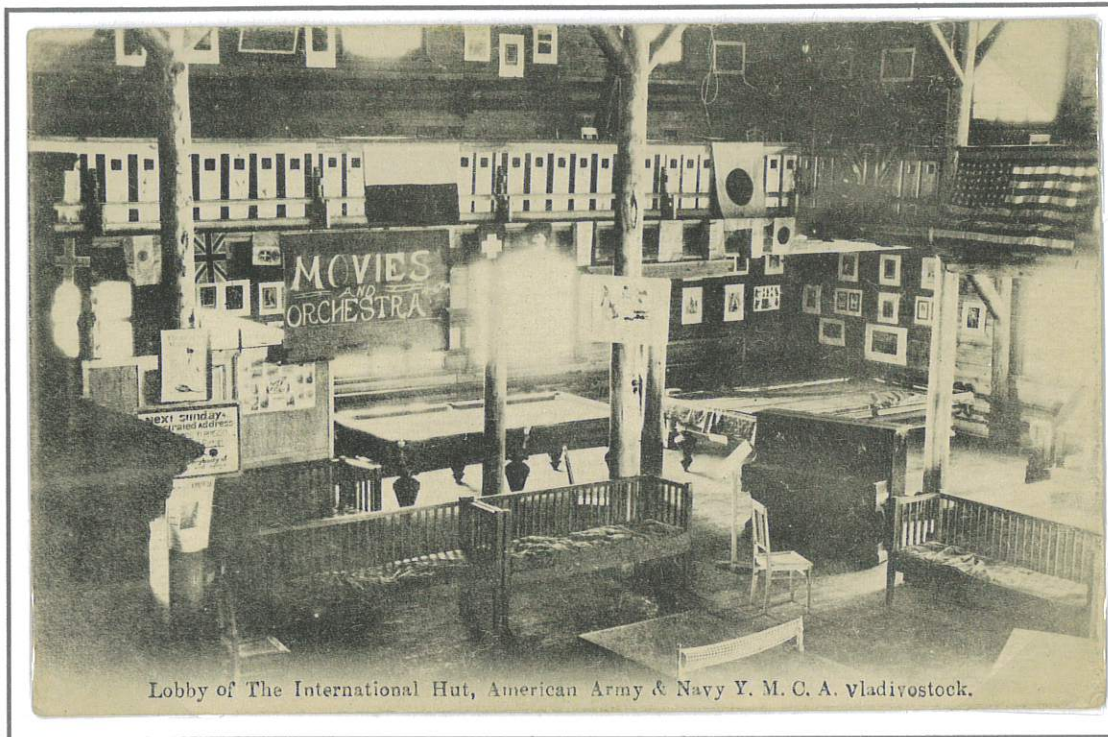
American Expeditionary Force entering Vladivostok.



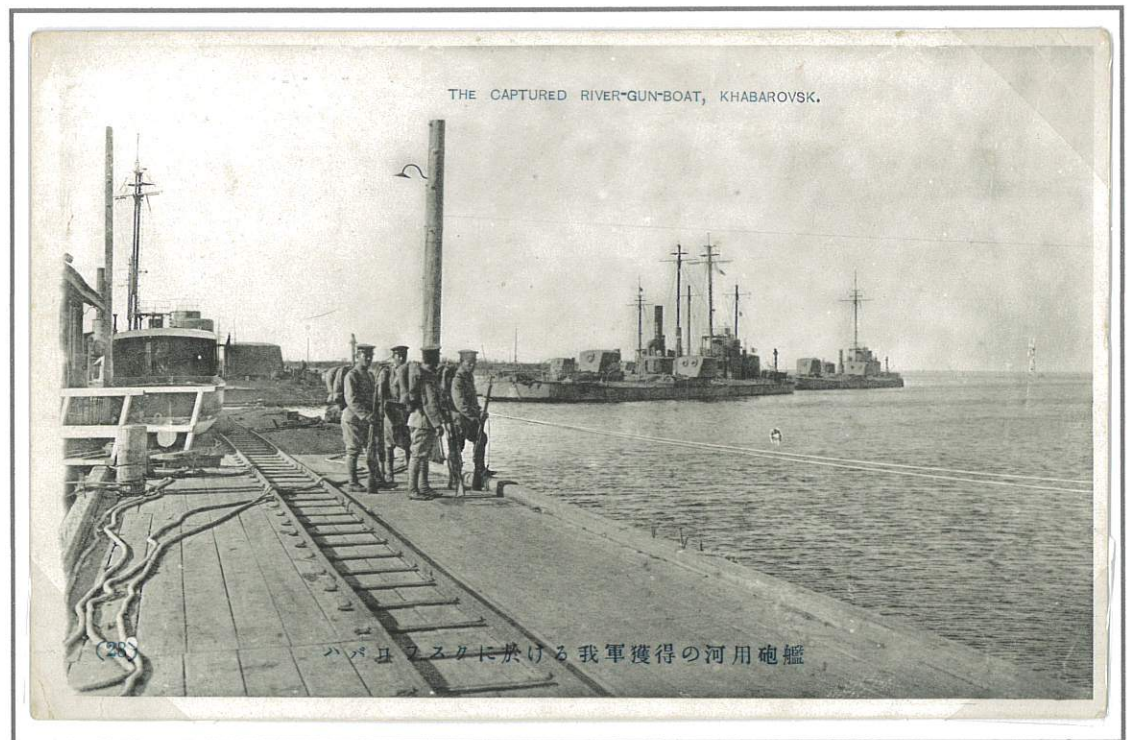
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American YMCA Hut Vladivostok



Japanese soldiers guarding captured gunboat.



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Japanese 12<sup>th</sup> Division landing at Vladivostok.



French contingent under watchful gaze of Japanese officers.





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British Military Mission Vladivostok



The British Army established the North Russian Force at Archangel and a small detachment of volunteers from this was sent to Vladivostok as the British Military Mission. Field Post Office 201 was opened at Vladivostok and because of the small number of soldiers, mail from FPO 201 is seldom seen. This cover was possibly sent by a member of the Canadian detachment since it is addressed to Canada.

Despatched 30 October 1919 the cover has a receiving stamp of West Quaco dated 21 November 1919.



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## British North Russian Force



Russian picture postcard used as a field post card from a British soldier in the Archangel Force in 1919. The Archangel Force under General Ironside operated an Army Post Office using canceller coded PB2 from October 1918 to September 1919 at Archangel itself. The PE/C/30 cachet is a British censor mark used in North Russia.

Despatched 15 April 1919.

Proud records that Archangel can only be accessed occasionally by icebreaker, so mail was carried by train to Obozerskaya then by sleigh relays to Soroka, then by train to Murmansk. This journey took two and a half weeks and 400 horses were used on the sleigh relay.



Mail sleigh used at Archangel. Note "Royal Mail".



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Czech forces in Siberia



Siberia to France carrying rare dual language "Ceskoslovenske Vojsko/Le General-Commandant en Chef/ Hlavni-Velitel/ Armee Tcheco-Slovaque" cachet of the General commanding the French forces in Siberia. Opened and re-sealed by French "Controle Postale Militaire" label. Arrival Maurice le Charenne 2 March 1919.

The Siberian intervention force included a French contingent; the French government being in favour of Czech independence,



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### Czech forces in Siberia



Siberia to Czechoslovakia stampless postcard from a Czech soldier in Vladivostok. Card carries the rare dual language "Polni Posta/Poste Militaire" handstamp used by Czech forces to denote military mail. The centre of the stamp reads "Czech Forces in Russia". Jaroslav Verner (Field Post of Czechoslovak Siberian Legions) reports that mail from Vladivostok travelled back to Europe by sea on the ships which were carrying the evacuated Czech Army.

Despatched Vladivostok 6 June 1920.



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Cover from a soldier serving with the US intervention forces in Siberia in 1919 addressed to California. Cover cancelled by US Postal Agency duplex #1 dated 12 November 1919 and carrying "A.E.F. SIBERIA CENSORED" rectangular boxed cachet.



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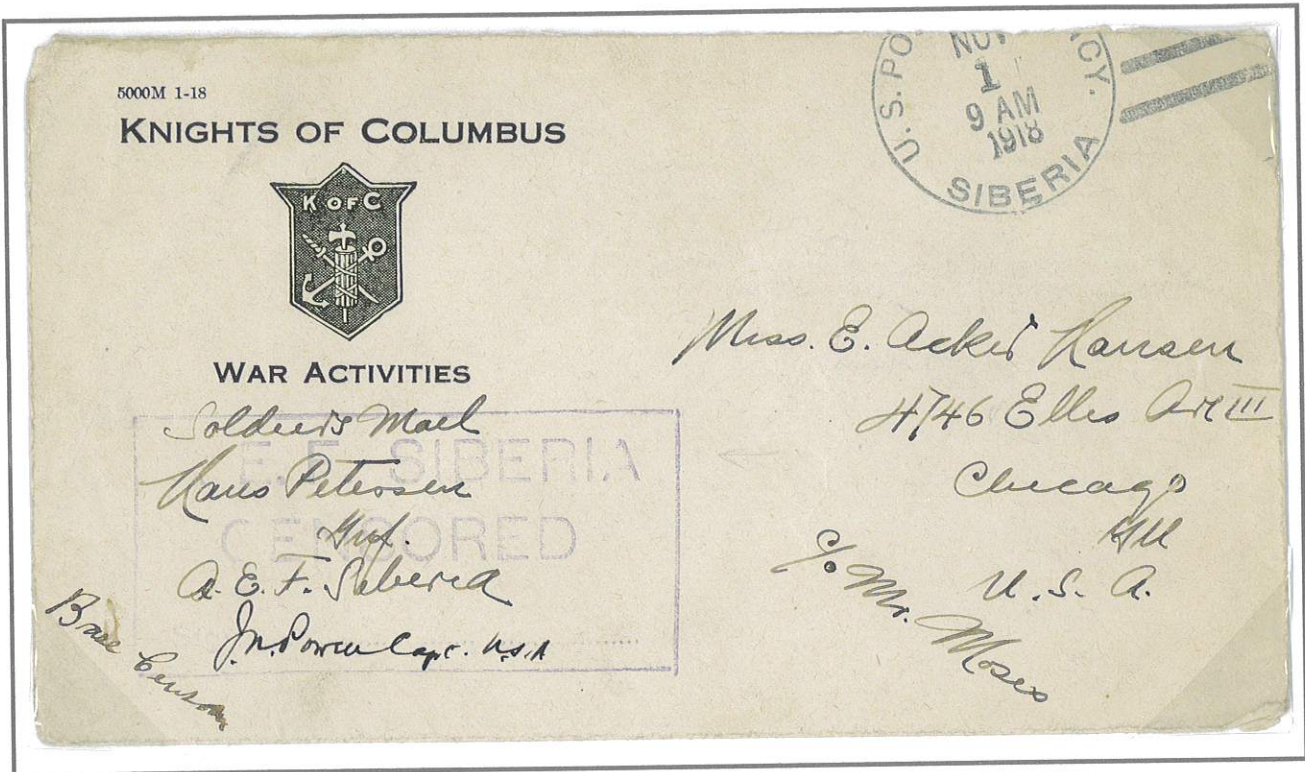


Cover from a soldier serving with the US intervention forces in Siberia in 1918 addressed to San Francisco. Cover cancelled by US Postal Agency large c.d.s. dated 28 October 1918 and carrying "A.E.F. SIBERIA CENSORED" rectangular boxed cachet.



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Knights of Columbus

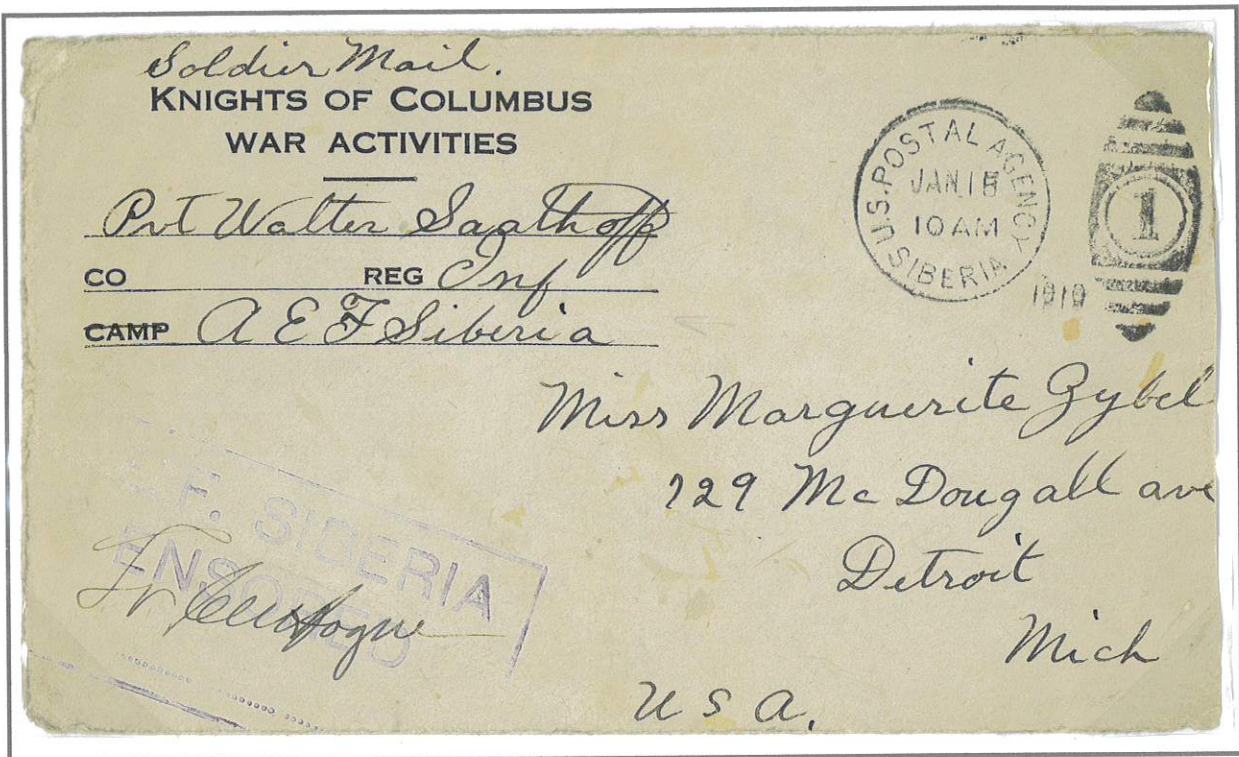


Knights of Columbus cover from a soldier serving with the US intervention forces in Siberia in 1918 addressed to Chicago. Cover cancelled by US Postal Agency large c.d.s. dated 1 November 1918 and carrying "A.E.F. SIBERIA CENSORED" rectangular boxed cachet.



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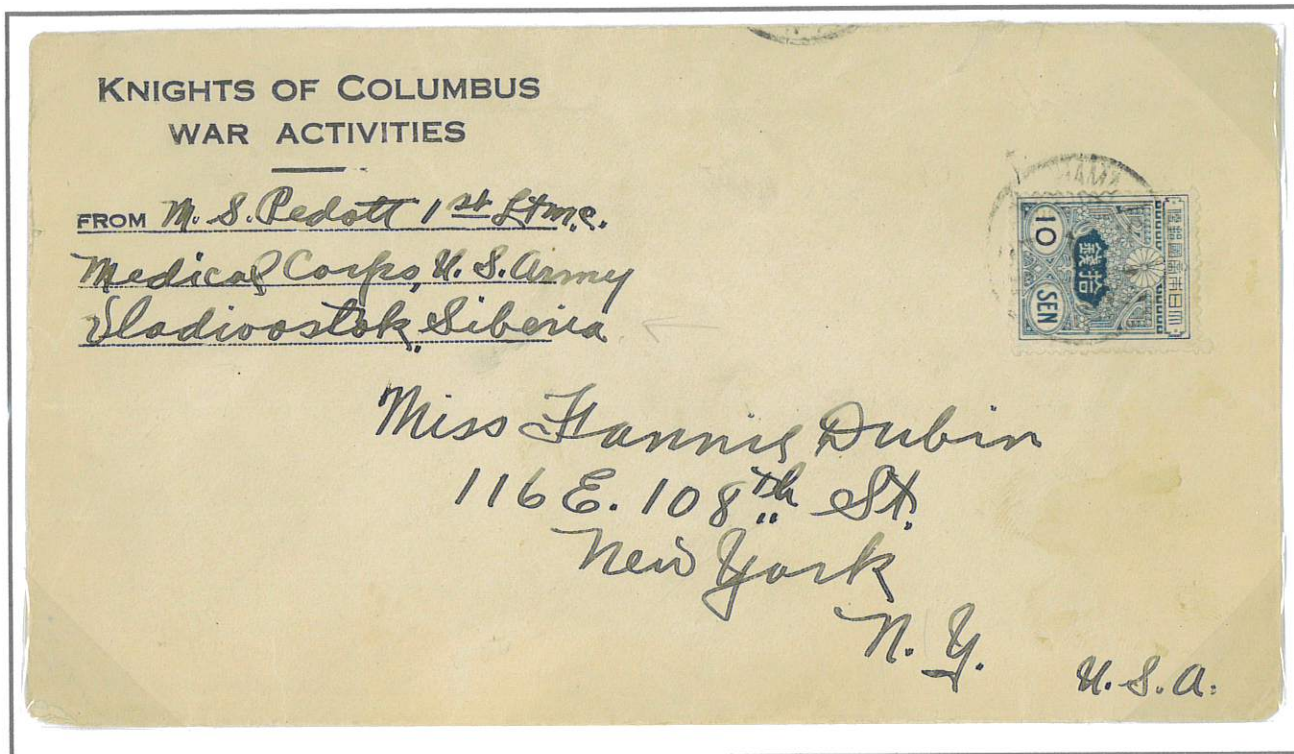


Knights of Columbus cover from a soldier serving with the US intervention forces in Siberia in 1918 addressed to Detroit. Cover cancelled by US Postal Agency duplex #1 dated 15 January 1918 and carrying "A.E.F. SIBERIA CENSORED" rectangular boxed cachet.



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Knights of Columbus



Knights of Columbus cover from a soldier serving with the US intervention forces in Siberia in 1918 addressed to New York. Cover sent from Vladivostok and franked by 10 Sen Japanese stamp cancelled at Yokohama. No other postal markings.





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Canadian Expeditionary Force



Knights of Columbus cover from a soldier serving with the Canadian intervention forces in Siberia addressed to Winnipeg. Cover sent from Vladivostok and carrying what appears to be a souvenir set of Russian 1917 issues, the lower values being imperforate. Cancelled at Vladivostok 7 May 1919. Boxed Russian AK censor mark of Vladivostok.



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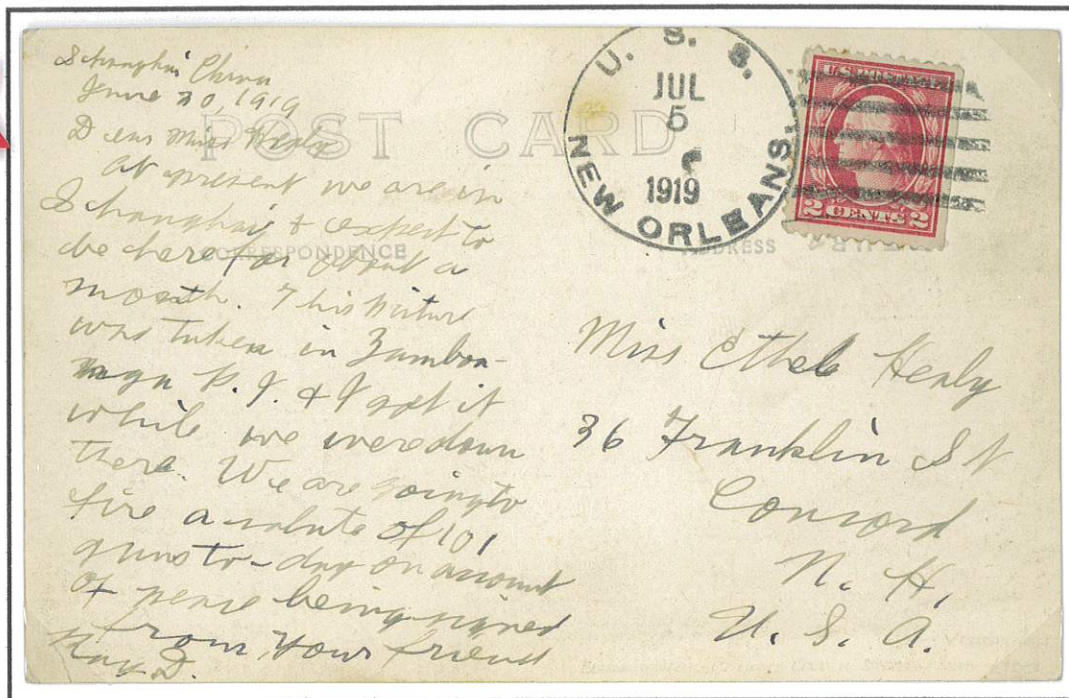


Cover from a soldier serving with the US intervention forces in Siberia in 1919 addressed to New York. Cover cancelled by US Postal Agency duplex #1 dated 10 October 1919 and carrying "A.E.F. SIBERIA CENSORED" rectangular boxed cachet.



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USS New Orleans



Card from the ship's post office on board USS New Orleans at Shanghai. "New Orleans" was en route from Honolulu via the Philippines to Vladivostok, where from 17 July to 20 December 1919 she was station ship supporting the Allied force in Siberia.