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In this issue... Ship Construction Scoreboard... X-Change Korner... Space Stamp Contest... Zhdanov's work... Navy numbers and Zip codes... Ship Notes ... HAPPY THANKSGIVING..

Syncom II transmits to Kingsport at sea.

The first transmission of speech & teletype via communications satellite to a moving ship at sea was made Monday, 23 Sep at about 3:00 PM EDT. Voice and teletype were transmitted from a Fort Dix, N.J., ground station via the Syncom II synchronous communication satellite to the surface terminal ship Kingsport about 40 miles west of Lagos, Nigeria.

Although the ship was pitching, rolling and yawing, the 30 foot antenna aboard the ship remained automatically locked on the spacecraft 22,300 miles above the earth at 55 degrees west long.

MORE M.S.T.S. ships to consider.....

All U.S.N.S. designated.

CARD	AKV, FPO	N.Y.	
CORE,	AKV	FPO, SF	
BRETON,	AKV, FPO, SF		
CROATIAN,	AKV, FPO,	NY	
FENTRESS	FPO		SF
ASTERION	FPO		SF
PERSEUS	FPO		SF
SIMON B. BUCKNER	T-AP-123		NY
DUTTON	T-AGS-22		NY
BOWDITCH	T-AGS-21		NY
MICHELSON	T-AGS-32		NY
SGT. JOSEPH E. MULLER	T-AG-171		NY
USNS O'BRIEN	FPO		NY
USNS MISSION SANTA CRUZ			SF
USNS MARINE FIDLER			SF
GILLIS	FPO		NY
WYANDOT,	FPO,		NY
USNS MISSION CAPISTRANO			NY
KINSPORT	T-AG-164	FPO	NY
USNS VALDEZ	T-AG-169		NY
USNS MISSION SANTA YNEZ			NY

USS GROUSE() will be sunk near or Rockport or Gloucester, Mass.....

BIG CHIEF WANTUM HEAP BIG SWAP-YOU TRADE???

Through the courtesy of Navy Postal Clerks, Public Information Officers and Commanding Officers, we have (NOT FOR SALE) almost a complete collection of Navy Philatelic Cancellations from the + 600 U.S. Navy ships with post offices plus covers from most of the 100 odd submarines now in commission. Postmarks are 1962-63, stamps on the covers are mostly Naval Aviation, Mercury, Flags, and Homer Winslow's art. For someone who is sincerely interested we would consider exchange. What do you have? But the collection is NOT FOR SALE. F.M. Kinley, Pine View Lane, RD#8, York, Pa. 17403. Philatelic courtesy applies by sending a stamped envelope for replies.

+++++ Polaroid sub base on Guam in autumn of 1964. Will consist of HOLLAND and one FBM Squadron....

December newsletter scheduled for mailing about 20 November and another "Know your Ships" contest. USCS members are eligible to participate if their membership number is 3000 or beyond with the exception of 4496 and membership numbers before 3000. You must be a USCS member to participate and if you contemplate joining, do so and become eligible to enter the contest. Dates of the contest: 5 December to 15 December 1963 inclusive.

DEEP FREEZE COVER NOTE: Some collectors have reported one of the '64 Deep Freeze ships canceled their covers before the operation began. My personal experience has been quite different. Reason: I waited until about two weeks before the deadline date for the first ship event before mailing my covers. This allowed information to trickle down from D.C. Result: No covers returned as yet.....

HONORARY SHIPMATE CARD.. is being bestowed on collectors requesting canceled or stamped covers. Send your covers to LCDR. S.J. SOWINSKI, U.S. Navy, Commanding Officer, USS SURFBIRD (ADG-383), FPO, San Francisco, California... You'll be happy that you did...

500-WHITE ENVELOPES - COLLECTOR SIZE

6-3/4 generally run \$2.25 to \$2.50 depending on the mailing zone. This offer expires 31 Dec 1963 as I must purchase in lots of 10,000 (20 boxes) to obtain this low price. This price is better than last year due to the tremendous response and consolidation orders pays off.

USS OAK RIDGE (ARDM-1) - Navy's first Polaris sub repair ship commissioned at the Norfolk Navy Yard - 1 Oct 1963. Collectors desiring a commissioning booklet and FDC @.15 cents each plus a #10 stamped self-addressed envelope contact Tazewell, P.O. Box 8097, Norfolk 3, Va. Should the supply be exhausted a comparable cover will be substituted.

New USCS Chapter taking shape in Tampa. Should anyone know any non-USCS members in that area, please write to Mrs. Dan Fagar, 4004 Bay to Bay Blvd, Tampa, Fla.

"Ship in the News" - USS ANDREW JACKSON SSBN-619 successfully fired a Polaris missile from beneath the surface of the ocean. She is the 13th Polaris sub to conduct tests & firings off Cape Canaveral. Score: 13th sub-46 wins - 62 games & only 3 failures in the last 31 played.

It is my understanding that each year in January the Japanese Navy takes a training cruise to Pearl Harbor among other ports. These ships engaged in this training normally have printed postcards such as the unused one I have received and similar to the Surfbird postcard mentioned in last months USCS Log. These postcards are used by the ships in promoting goodwill and furthering the public relations media. Can anyone shed more light in this area of collecting??? Do you have a Japanese correspondent?

HMS VALIENT SSN-102 is tentatively scheduled to be launched from the Barrows-in-Furness Shipyard on 3 Dec 1963. Courtesy of NSNL. U.S.C.S. needs you and you need USCS.

1964 Antarctic push underway... Operation Deep Freeze 1964, support force of 3000 men for the scientific research probe of Antarctica, is underway. A scientific survey will be a highlight of this year's project; on Palmer Peninsula by an icebreaker and a wide range of other construction and public works jobs at the five existing U.S. stations....

WHAT IS A HYDROFOIL?????

A boat that skims along like a self-propelled water skier at speeds upwards of 60 nautical miles per hour. Some hydrofoils are envisioned as being capable of replacing ocean going liners. Italy has been operating hydrofoils across the Straits of Messina and between Naples and the tourist haven of Capri. Do you remember the song "It was on the Isle of Capri that I met her" that blared from our victrola? if you do - your either loosing your hair too or beyond any hope of it coming back. The hydrofoil gets its nickname "Wings" which stabilizes in the water much the same as a plane operating in the air. At cruising speed, the lift generated by the forward foils being pushed through the water, hoists the ship's hull entirely clear of the waters surface. The elevated hull is thereby free of any frictional drag in the water, opening a way to speeds not otherwise attainable by other craft and at important economic fuel consumption. The craft leaves little destructive wake, and another advantage is that it handles well in restrictive waters such as the St. of Messina.

Inbound from fleet operations ALSTED often sailed this water route to Naples. The part, I failed to tell you about hydrofoils was the beautiful girls waving and throwing kisses at us on deck, as she overtook us as we proceeded slowly and very cautiously near Messina.

The Navy recently took delivery of a hydrofoil named High Point (PCH-1). She is a unique blend of aerodynamics and hydrodynamics, carrying with her 115 foot hull newest hopes in the antisubmarine warfare program. Hydrofoils show tremendous promise for ASW, where speed is essential as never before. Modern submarines are capable of operating at tremendous speeds when submerged. To close range on the sub before it outruns sonar range is increasingly a difficult problem. At present, the future of the ship and her 13 man crew seems aimed at delivering strikes at potential enemy submarines.



KEEP SMILING!!

IT MAKES PEOPLE WONDER
WHAT YOU'VE BEEN UP TO

SHIP-CONSTRUCTION- ROUNDUP

NEWPORT NEWS SHIPBUILDING CORP, NEWPORT NEWS, VA		
CVA	AMERICA	
SSBN 632	VON STEUBEN	L-10-18-63
SSBN 635	S. RAYBURN	L-11-22-63
SSBN 630	J.C. CALHOUN	C-June 64
SSBN 627	J. MADISON	C-Apr 64
SSBN 625	H. CLAY	C-Jan 64
SSBN 641	S. BOLIVAR	L-June 64
SSBN 644	LEWIS&CLARK	L-Oct 64
SSBN 622	J. MONROE	C- Nov 63
AG-165	GEORGETOWN	C-Dec 63
AG-166	JAMESTOWN	C-Dec 63
SSN-651		KL-Apr 64
SSN-653		KL-Aug 64
SSN 654		KL-Feb 64
SSN 656		KL-May 64

PHILADELPHIA NAVAL SHIPYARD, PHILADELPHIA, PA		
LPH-9	GUAM	L-1964

MARE ISLAND NAVAL SHIPYARD, VALLEJO, CALIFORNIA		
SSBN-634	S. JACKSON	L- Nov 63
SSBN 629	D. BOONE	C-1964
SSBN 624	W. WILSON	-Late 63
SSBN-642	KAMEHAMEHA	

WILLIAMETTE IRON & STEEL CO, PORTLAND, OREGON		
AG-167	BELMONT	
AG-168	LIBERTY	

NEW YORK NAVAL SHIPYARD, BROOKLYN, NY		
LPD-3	LASALLE	C-Spring 64
LPD-4	AUSTIN	L-Apr 64
LPD-5	OGDEN	L-Apr 64
LPD-6		
AGMR	ANNAPOLIS	RC-Dec 1963

NATIONAL STEEL CO, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF		
AFS-1	MARS	C-9 Dec 63
AFS-2	SYLVANIA	C-Mar 64

BETHELHEM STEEL, QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS		
SSN-638	WHALE	KL-Late 63
SSN-649		KL-1964

BETHELHEM STEEL, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF		
DE-1040	GARCIA	L-10-31-63
DE-1041	BRADLEY	L-Feb 64

TODD SHIPYARD, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON		
DDG-23	R.E. BYRD	C-28 Feb 64
DDG-24	WADDELL	C-1964

SAN FRANCISCO NAVAL SHIPYARD		
DLG-30	HORNE	L-Mid 64
CG-11	CHICAGO	RC-1 May 64

DEFOE SHIPBUILDING CORP, BAY CITY, MICH.		
DE-1047		KL-21 Nov 63
DE-1049		KL-1964
DE-1051		KL-1964

AMERICAN SHIP CO, TOLEDO, OHIO		
AGS-26		

MARIETTA MFG CO, POINT PLEASANT, W.VA.		
AGS-25	Will be civilian manned.	

TODD SHIPYARD, SAN PEDRO, CALIFORNIA		
DLG-22	ENGLAND	C-Nov 63
DLG-33	FOX	L-1964

NEW YORK SHIPBUILDING CORP, CAMDEN, N.J.		
DLG-19	DALE	C-11-23-63
DLG-20	R.K. TURNER	C-1964
DLGN-35	TRUXTON	L-Fall 64
SSN 604	HADDO	C-Jun 64
SSN 603	POLLACK	C-Dec 63
SSN-612	GUARDFISH	L-14 Dec 63
SSN-647		KL- 1964
AOE-2		KL-1964

BATH IRON WORKS, BATH, MAINE		
DEG-4		KL1964-65
DEG-5		"
DEG-6		"
DLG-26	BELKNAP	C-1964
DLG-27	J. DANIELS	C-1965
DLG-28	WAINWRIGHT	L-1964
DLG-32		L-1965
DLG-34		KL-late 1963
AGDE-1		L-1964

ELECTRIC BOAT CO, GROTON, CONN		
SSBN 623	N. HALE	C-
631	U. GRANT	L-
633	C. PULASKI	L-
628	TECUMSEH	C-
626	D. WEBSTER	C-
643	GEO. BANCROFT	L-
645	JAMES K. POLK	L-
640	B. FRANKLIN	C-
SSN-613	FLASHER	C-
614	GREENLING	
615	GATO	
637	STURGBON	KL-
650		
655		
657		
659		

THINGS TO RITE FOR.....

People-to-People Letter Exchange Program encourages and promotes the exchange of personal correspondence with a friend in another country. This project is especially helpful in youth groups, Boy and Girl Scout work. Write to Director, Letter Exchange People-to-People, Inc., 2401 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Mo, 64108

Canal Zone Philatelic Agency, Balboa Heights, Canal Zone has an interesting 3¢ postcard with a 1¢ imprint added. These postcards would make an interesting ship cover especially with a cancel on the day your favorite ship might be transiting the canal. The cards are 4¢ each plus postage to send them to you. The Canal Zone uses Canal Zone postage.

Did you obtain one????? Christening covers HMAS PERTH sponsored by USCS Daniel Dobbins Chapter #20. Price .20¢ each plus stamped self-addressed envelope. Write: Ed H. Lameck, 1854 Wyandotte St E, Windsor, Ontario, Canada.

Did you write to me and obtain a U.S.C.S. membership application? If not details may be obtained upon receipt of a stamped self-addressed envelope.

T.C. Miller, Jr., Secretary USCS Chapter #63, 627 Maryland Avenue, Norfolk, Va has some "Cystic Fibrosis" seals that he would like for you to use on your correspondence. Ted will send these seals to you for a stamped self-addressed envelope. Donations to this worthy cause will be appreciated. I know about Cystic Fibrosis. Do you????????????????????????????????

A special "PARFOREX III" cover depicting a pony express rider with his saddlebag of U.S. Mail racing across the cacheted cover with an astronaut astride a space capsule looking him in the eye is available from Les Winick, 126 Willow Street, Park Forest, Illinois @.25¢- 5 for \$1.00

From the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. "Destroyers in the United States Navy" Catalog # D207.10/2:D 47. Did you know that this office has a coupon system for returning excess cash. This publication costs .30¢ and a \$1.00 will bring you .70¢ in coupons to be used on your next time around. Saves money orders and checks too.

SHIPYARD CONSTRUCTION SCOREBOARD CONTINUED

<u>PUGET SOUND BRIDGE CO., SEATTLE, WASH</u>		
DEG-1	BROOKE	C-
DEG-2	RAMSEY	L-15 Oct 63
DEG-3	SCHOFIELD	L 6 Dec 63
DDG-22	STODDERT	C-
DDG-21	COCHRANE	C-
DE-1048	W. D. SAMPLE	L-1964
DE-1050	A. L. DAVID	
AGEH-		

Note: AO-106 and 109 will undergo complete rebuilding -RC scheduled 1964

<u>PUGET SOUND NAVAL SHIPYARD, SEATTLE, WASH</u>		
DLG-31	STERRETT	L-Jun 1964
DLG-24	REEVES	C-May 64
AOE-1	SACRAMENTO	C-Mar 64
DLG-29	JOUETTE	L-Jun 1964
AS-33	SIMON LAKE	L-Jan 1964

<u>IGNALLS SHIPBUILDING CORP., PASCAGOULA, MISS</u>		
SSN-639	TAUTOG	KL-14 Oct 63
621	HADDOCK	L-Feb 64
607	DACE	C-8 Mar 64
653		
LPD-7		KL-1964
LPD-8		KL-1964
SSN-648		KL-1964
SSN-652		KL-1964
LPH-10 & AS-34		KL-1964

<u>PORTSMOUTH NAVAL SHIPYARD, PORTSMOUTH, N.H.</u>		
AGSS-555	DOLPHIN	RC-1964
SSBN-636	N. GREENE	L-1964
SSN-605	JACK	C-Feb 64
SSN-646	GRAYLING	KL-
SSN-606	TINOSA	C- Nov 63
SSBN-620	J. ADAMS	C-1964

<u>AVONDALE SHIPYARD, AVONDALE, LA</u>		
DDG-20	GOLDSBOROUGH	C-Nov 1963
DE-1038	MCCLOY	C- Oct 63
1042		
1043		
1044	BRUMBY	
DE-1045	DAVIDSON	

<u>MARINETTE MARINE CORP., WISCONSIN</u>		
AGOR 9		
AGOR-10		
	Civilian manned	

ALABAMA DRY DOCK & SHIP
 CC-3 SAIPAN RC-
 No further information available
 New York World's Fair-1964. The powers to be have decided "Old Ironsides" will not participate as some folks anticipated.

Introduction: My name is Aleksandr Ivanovich Zhdanov.

Until just a few months ago, I was the most celebrated young hero in the Soviet Navy. Today, largely through the vindictiveness of one man and the workings of the Communist system, I am a refugee from my beloved homeland-disgraced, and in constant danger of assassination.

The story I am about to unfold has until now been one of the most closely guarded secrets of Soviet Russia. It is the story of espionage against the United States of America, from under the seas. By disclosing information, I acknowledge that I am guilty of treason in the eyes of the government of the Soviet Union. But these disclosures, however unbelievable, may serve to awaken others who may someday, somehow, find a way to world peace and human understanding.

In preparing this account, I have not relied upon memory alone. Memory dims with the passage of time, no matter how short. In support of all major operational events, all tactical exercises and several until now unanswerable incidents (quite probably enigmas to the United States Navy) I have referred to not only my personal diary, but to copies of my own official submarine patrol reports. For example, a most perfunctory type of check by an American or Allied reader would corroborate the stage settings in time and place, with all actors present-be they people, or ships and units of war; except for one unseen entity; that of the Soviet.

The now famous American astronaut Marine Colonel John H. Glenn, Jr., owes his life today not only to the skill of American scientists and technical workers, but in part also to the impact upon me of the words of a soul-searching Christian hymn I had heard three years before in a Washington, D.C., cathedral.

On February 20, 1962, at 2:38 PM EST, on board the Soviet submarine F-689, which I commanded, I looked through the cross hairs of the periscope and watched Colonel Glenn's space capsule drift slowly down into the sea a few thousand yards away. In obedience to most secret instructions from Moscow, I had maneuvered the submarine into the expected orbital recovery area. Our mission was surveillance. But the bobbing space capsule very narrowly missed being destroyed at this time. In truth, the violent obliteration of Fri Friendship 7 would have occurred had I yielded to the submarine's political commissar, who urgently demanded and almost hysterically demanded the firing of a specially built electric homing torpedo from the V.I. Lenin Plant in Pilsen, Czechoslovakia, ever triggered, the result would have been an explosion heard round the world-a bolt of yellow flame, a cloud of white smoke, and no Wall Street ticker tape parade for a brave man, a new American hero. He would have been oxidized in burning white phosphorus.

Excerpts from the new novel "Shadow of Peril" By Aleksandr I. Zhdanov, Copyright 1963 by Doubleday & Company. Something to think about isn't it???

A review of Zhdanov's work makes interesting reading but it fails to be convincing of Soviet superiority. His knowledge of our strategy and tactics are like glimpses through a periscope. It takes two parties to play the game of "hide-an-seek" but anyone can win playing solitaire.

"COMMUNISM MENACES FREEDOM"

X-CHANNE KORNER (continued) *****
Glenn Brazelton, 1120a Crescent Drive, Robins AFB, Ga., 31094 will assist collectors in obtaining the two postmarks used at Robins Air Force Base. Glenn wants picture post cards from any of the following ships: ASHLAND (LSD-1); PRINCETON (LPH-3); SARATOGA (CVA-60); ESSEX (CVS-9); BUNKER HILL (AVT-9); NAUTILUS (SSN-571); CAPE GLOUCESTER (AKV-9); and CONSTITUTION (IX-1). Will buy or trade for covers or stamps. Please send want lists & exchange lists. Glenn says the SCORPION (SSB-589) has a cachet & SOMERS (DD-947) old one.

FOREIGN NUCLEARS.. Germany is building a nuclear powered freighter at Kiev with a completion date in 1967. Japan is constructing an oceanographic research ship also to be nuclear.

Project Handgrip..Living in a seaport metropolis affords me with the opportunity at various times to obtain postmarks or special events on covers from ships. Several collectors and friends in foreign lands have agreed to "bear a hand." Send me not more than 5 covers with first class postage and address plus a five cent per cover service charge to defray the expenses. Remember nothing is guaranteed. Postage dues will NOT be accepted. Deadline date for submission of covers to me is 1 December 1963. Pretty soon somebody in the family will be telling me how many more shopping days are left until Christmas.....

By the time the three-man Project Apollo team takes off for the moon late in this decade the United States will have accumulated about 2000 hours of manned flight in earth orbit. This experience will include rendezvous of spacecraft in orbit, transfer of men and materials from one spacecraft to another and space maneuvers. The 2000 hours will include about 1300 orbits by Americans in Gemini and Appollo Spacecraft. The successful completion of the U.S. man-on-the-Moon Program will also insure the development of basic phases of operation of manned spacecraft.

What part will our U.S. Navy ships play in this important phase of our Nations Space Program? Whatever part the Navy plays it will be as vital and important as the roles performed by other members of the space team.

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SPACE STAMP DESIGN CONTEST ANNOUNCED:::::

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I cannot begin to explain how enthused I was to receive my regular "complimentary" Copy of Joe Fitzpatrick's "Space Craft Explorer" announcing a Space Stamp Design Contest. A recent letter from a foreign correspondent bears out the need for some "free" publicity concerning the space achievements in the United States.

We spend millions annually to promote freedom through various government agencies. Why not the Post Office Department? How much would it cost? Answer: Judging from the tremendous sellout of Project Mercury stamps and now the hard-to-find Amelia Barhart plate blocks I find myself asking the question. How many stamps could the post office afford to sell at 5 cents????

Not changing the subject but what this country needs is not a good five cent cigar (although I still smoke the five centers) but a good, attractive, new-look five cent U.S. Space Stamp. Don't you agree?

Npw that Mr. John A Gronouski, a native from Wisconsin - a state that is really a go getter in philately perhaps we can at least look forward to a Project Gemini stamp without all the crazy secrecy that ruined the top publicity (free) event of 1962.

Mr. Fitzpatrick proposes that all collectors write to the new PMG Mr. Gronouski requesting that he seriously consider issuing a series of United States Space Stamps. (cont. top of page)..

"THE FOUR OCEAN CHALLENGE"-Navy Day Slogan.

(space stamp contest continued)

And to further this patriotic cause, Space Craft has originated the idea of conducting a Space Stamp Design Contest - one in which all, young and old, can participate. Contestants will have an opportunity to win prizes for the best designs. The details will be provided by sponsor (Space Stamps Design Contest, P.O. Box 2296, Huntington, West, Va.)

Everyone is encouraged to submit a design. It is not necessary to be a member or subscriber to Space Craft to participate. You do not even have to be an artist but you do need to submit your ideas according to the simple rules.

Let's all get on the ball and do our part to promote philatelic recognition of our wonderful space efforts. Let's get some that "free" publicity instead of paying for it.

I am not selling anything just freedom and I like it enough to talk about it.....

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WATERFRONT RAMBLINGS.....USS VALCOUR (AVP- a member of the "White Fleet" is now operating in the Persian Gulf. USS GROUPER (AGSS214) recent overhaul finds her equipped with underwater laboratory and engaged in oceanographic research - she is the oldest sub on active service. GROUPER's present assignment takes her off the Bermuda Coast.

French destroyers - Dupetit Thours, Du Chayla, Douvt and Kersaint are to be equipped with the U.S. Navy Tartar surface-to-air missile systems.

Figures are changed in the Navy's 1964 shipbuilding and conversion program. Reduced estimates reveal a reduction from 41 to 32 ships as previously reported. 6-SSN; 6-SSBN; 1-AS; 10-DE's; 2-PGM; 1-AFS; 1-AD; 1-AG; 3-LPD's and 1-LSV....

Japanese submarine OYASHIO (285 foot) 1st built in Japan since World War II. No more details can anyone help????

The French destroyer THOUARS, is the 1st allied vessel to be equipped and in Norfolk performing underway training in the use of her new missile system.

Ships named: DE-1050-A.L. DAVID; DE-1044-BRUMBY; DE-1045-DAVIDSON; DE-1048 W.D. SAMPLE; DEG-3-SCHOFIELD; DLG-33 FOX; FURMAN VICTORY will be the second maritime hull to be converted to a T-AK-(FBM). NORWALK VICTORY was announced last year.

New address: MSTO, Port Canaveral, P.O. Box 327, Cape Canaveral, Florida-MSTS...

Trieste found Thresher remains and search ends. MSTIS ships GIBBS and GILLIS, ATLANTIS I and CONRAD, a ship of the Lamont Geological Laboratory were some of the ships involved in the Thresher search.

SHIP NOTES

Atomic sub to get deadlier arms..USS GEORGE WASHINGTON SSBN-598,FPO,NY will be overhauled, refitted and refueled-it's first in nearly five years. Modifications will enable the sub to carry 16-2500 mile A-3 polaris missiles which will require longer launching tubes. When? June 1964.

Operating with the Pacific Fleet and now scheduled to be homeported at Norfolk next February are the CONYNGHAM(DDG-17) and WRIGHT(CC-2).

Old News - Recently the 6,500 pound iron anchor from the USS SAN MARCOS(ex-TEXAS) launched June 28, 1892 and sunk in target practice Feb. 16, 1911 was recovered from the bottom of the Chesapeake Bay.

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A couple of Wisconsin Boys...Don Schultz, Secretary, USCS Nuclear Ships Chapter & Editor Nuclear Newsletter (1225 E. Marquette St, Appleton, Wisc.) write he would like to take me up on the wheelbarrow contest mentioned in the Sep USCS Log. He said, he would get a bang out of going down Appleton's 3 mile main drag with me pushing... and Morris W.

Beck, P.O. 116, Whitewater, Wisconsin is swinging the cachet stamp on collectors covers. Send Mr. Beck 25 stamped-selfaddressed 6-3/4 envelopes with .50 cents for servicing-non profit and receive some mighty fine collection cachets. Morris has also printed a list of all U.S. Navy ships having a post office and it is available for 10 cents plus a stamped self-addressed(long) envelope. Then we got the new PMG from Wisconsin. What next? A Wisconsin Navy maybe? Keep up the good work men... Chuckles...William Lilley sends...During the Russian Cosmonaut Titov's visit to Indonesia, he was invited to a dinner party at the Navy Officers Club. Of course, despite the informal and friendly atmosphere, he had to sell us a little dialectical materialism. "Why, he said smugly, " I've been everywhere up there for several days, and not once did I see God." "Ah, but you would have," answered one of the officers present, "If you had just stepped out of your capsule." Here is another one left over from last month..Two East Germans were discussing the fuel shortage in the Soviet Zone. First East German: "Your house is always warm. How do you manage it?" Second: "In strict confidence, it's the parrot. I bought a parrot & taught it to say "Long Live Party Chief Ulbricht." The I put it out on the back porch overlooking the wood depot. Whenever it shouts the slogan the depot workers throw firewood at it. So now I get all the fuel I need.

NAVY NO.	ZIP CODE	NAVY NO.	ZIP CODE
14	96611	535	96623
20	96648	537	09576
66	96612	539	09578
85	96613	540	09374
100	09599	555	09373
101	09593	568	09372
103	09597	568	09571
104	09593	370	96624
106	09593	572	96625
109	09594	577	09589
115	09593	580	96626
116	09592	585	09568
117	09591	597	96627
121	09589	720	09567
127	98790	824	96628
128	96614	830	96629
130	96615	846	96631
133	09588	850	96632
138	09587	875	96633
141	09586	905	96634
181	96618	913	09566
188	09585	926	96635
200	09584	935	96636
214	09583	943	96637
220	09581	955	96638
230	98791	961	96639
240	09531	990	96641
505	09579	1506	09565
509	96617	3002	96642
510	09578	3089	96643
513	96618	3835	96644
520	96619	3867	96645
522	96621	3912	96646
531	96622	3923	96647
533	09577		

***** Before the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941, the U.S. Government recognized need for army and navy bases in overseas areas. The system of using Navy numbers and Fleet Post Offices on mail addresses intended for these overseas military bases primarily staffed with military personnel, was initiated. During wartime censorship regulations were invoked on correspondence and envelopes so that it did not divulge the geographical location of a Navy number or temporary FPO assigned to each overseas base. All reference or mention by an individual in personal correspondence or insinuation as to the climate or geographical hints were deleted from censored mail. All mail destined for naval personnel on duty at overseas bases was routed through one of the FPO's, to a postal regulating section for distribution and routing prior to being forwarded to it's destination. Here on the opposite of this page is the information you have been seeking to allow you to collect postmarks from our overseas Navy bases. FPO, N.Y. uses Zip Code 09591 and San Francisco uses 99647. Have fun....

SPECIAL NOTE::: Collectors who want to obtain a ship's postmark on picture postcards the following suggestion may bring you good results as well as some display material. Place a small size 5¢ stamp on the picture side of the postcard and ask the mail clerk to give you a neat and clear cancellation(hand cancel). Most everyone of the six different postcards offered to readers last month at .30 cents per set are designed so that this may be done. For best results mail the postcards in a 6-3/4 envelope to the ship between fillers.....

X-CHANGE KORN E R

P. F. Clancy, 13 Summit Place, Newburyport, Mass., would like to contact other collectors who have envelopes bearing the Project Mercury Stamp and postmarked 2-20-62..

LT. Richard Mayerson, U.S. Army Hospital, Fort Hood, Texas, 76545 has the following submarine covers to exchange:

- 571SH 583 C & SH
- 586 ** 588 L&C
- 590 SH 593 L&SH
- 595 L&C 597 C&SH
- 599 L 601 L&SH
- 603 L 608 L&SH
- 611 L&C 617 L&SH
- 622 L 585 C&SH
- 575 SH 589 C&SH
- 592SH 594 L&SH
- 596 C 598 L&SH
- 600 L & SH 602 SH
- 605 L 610 L&C&SH
- 616 L 619 L

624 L HMS Dreadnought-SH
***-Circumnavigation
Needs the following covers in exchange:-

- 571 L&C 575 L 576 L 586 C
- 583 L 585 L 584 C 591 L&C
- 587 L&C 589 L 590 L&C 600 C
- 592 C 596 L 598 C
- 601 C 608 C 578 L

IMPORTANT NOTE: Lt Mayerson is interested only in the above covers and no others. He will trade on a one-for-one basis. In most instances he has only one cover of each of the above. Will not sell any of the covers nor will he trade for any other items but the ones he needs.

Ed. B. Hurley, 169 1/2 Oak St, Binghamton, N.Y. will trade covers for other than philatelic material. Why not write? Send stamped envelope for details...

(14886)

William Lilley, Box 574, Trumansburg, N.Y. has: (1) covers from the Glenn launch & recovery postmarked Canaveral, cacheted & un-addressed (2) Latest FDC aircraft neat & un-addressed (3) X-15 rocket covers, all cacheted & un-addressed. Bill needs ship patches, WW II ship covers especially NEVADA (BB-36); West Va (BB-48); MD (BB); UTAH; LANGLEY (CV-1); ENTERPRISE (CV-6); FRANKLIN (CV-13) & old DD8s & CLs. Send want & exchange list.

"Nothing of all we erect will remain, in the end, and a love of collecting is no more vain and useless than other passions are!" Anatole France.

COVERS A C K N O W L E D G E D "THANKS"

Harold Y.H. Chang, 865 Nanakai Place, Pearl City, Hawaii sends USS ARIZONA Memorial cover with May 30th cancellation. A cover of historical significance -lest we forget..

WANTED: Ship cover collector in New York area willing to agree to service collector covers for ships participating in the New York World's Fair in 1964. Contact Editor

COVER DUPLICATE AUCTION: The list has been going out and the bids coming in with few collector needs overlapping. Bidding is fair and impartial. This listing of covers might contain something you have been hunting. Auction list is available for 10 cents in coin or stamp plus a stamped long (#10) self-addressed envelope.

WE HAVE READERS IN GERMANY, GREAT BRITAIN, HOLLAND, INDONESIA, NEW ZEALAND, AUSTRALIA, SWITZERLAND, AUSTRIA AND THE UNITED STATES...

PHILATELIC COURTESY - Just a reminder for those of you who tuned into this channel late. Please remember to send along a long stamped H E R B AND T H E R B (cover).

HMCS PORTE ST. JEAN and SACATERY - minesweeper covers annotated and cancelled for the Windsor, Ontario visit from Edwin H. Lameck,

Keep you eye on the Toronto, Canada section. Why? Another USCS Chapter in the making....

FPO ZIP Codes announced: New York, NY, 09501 and San Francisco, California, 96601..... IN San Francisco look for "The Old Navy, 1776-1860", art exhibit of 88 prints and watercolors from the F.D. Roosevelt collection at Maritime Museum between 13 October and 3 November.....

USS HRBEN (DD-631) transferred to the Korean Navy as the CHUNG MU (DD-91) with the USS HOLT (DE-706) now known as CHUNG NAM (DE-73). Korean Navy has a new minesweeper (MSC-295) built by Peterson Builders, Inc., Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin and named NAMYANG.

COAST GUARD... The first 210 foot (medium) cutter PRLIANCE launched in May undergoing her sea trials with ships DILIGENCE and VIGILANT following. VIGILANT to be launched November 1st at

USS COWELL (DD-547) celebrated her 20th Anniversary. More and more ships will be falling into the 20th Anniversary category.....