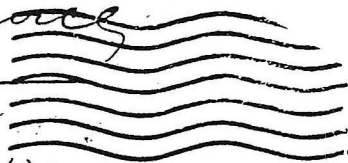


BRITISH FORCES
Italy

Naval/Transport Office/Venice
7 January 1919
28 March 1919

H. Taylor & Son

on act. Venice



Percy C. Webb Esq.

Marble Merchant

St. Katharine Dock

London. E/1.



Unit cachets of the Naval Transport Offices were prepared in both oval (in Italian) and circular (in English) format and are recorded as struck on the front or back of covers as shown above for the examples for Venice.

BRITISH FORCES
Austria

Army Post Office R.7
7 December 1918
13 February 1919

Field Post Office F.D.3
20 January 1919

1-12-18

These letters
arrives here safely. It is
not just like this at
present as snow is
every where. I do not
yet know what postal
facilities
we shall have for letters
from here but you shall
know as soon as I can
write you as soon as
possible. Meanwhile
the receipt of the
Drinks for the
present for you.

Verlag: J. G. Neumann, Neustadt
P. & Co., Mohn. Nr. 13982

USED BY CENSOR 430

ARMY POST OFFICE
7 DE 18

82 Burghley Road
Tufnell Park
London

0. A. S. (9)

145

Dear Jessie:
I hear you
been spending
out time in
the home
& it is very
nice to
hear from
you.

Master & Master
27 High Street,
Chatham
Kent,
England.

ARMY POST OFFICE
7 DE 18

U. A. S.

Dear Jessie:
I hear you
been spending
out time in
the home
& it is very
nice to
hear from
you.

ARMY POST OFFICE
7 DE 18

12 Brounlow Rd
Redhill
Surrey
England

W. S. 469

ARMY POST OFFICE
7 DE 18

17-1-19

Following the Armistice with Austria-Hungary, one British battalion was selected from the forces then in Italy and sent into the Austria as part of the Allied occupation troops. It was stationed in the town of Imst in the Tirol from 28 November 1918 to April 1919. Lacking local field post facilities, mail was taken back to either the 7th Division Railhead or a Field Distribution center in Italy for postmarking.

BRITISH FORCES
Austria

Danube Commission
September 1919
3 March 1920

on Active Service



Endwar Co. limited

Tea merchants

38a. London-Bridge



England

Please forward



INTERNALLIED DANUBE
COMMISSION
8-MAR 1920
BRITISH DELEGATION

Miss Andrea Troutbridge



Chap Chase

Hadley Wood

Middlesex

England

Mr.

Official mail from the occupation authorities set up by the Allies was carried by military pouch to the War Office in London, where it was transferred to the postal service. Above are examples of covers from regulatory bodies in Vienna for control of the Danube River.

BRITISH FORCES
Austria

Vienna
27 January 1920
3 October 1920

BRITISH
VIENNA EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND.

WIEN IV., ALLEEGASSE 14.

To

Dr. Hilda Clark,

c/o the Society of Friends,



O. A. S.

Messrs Fernyhough & Asher
Lloyds Bank

King

J. K. Manchester
Lancaster

On His Majesty's Service.



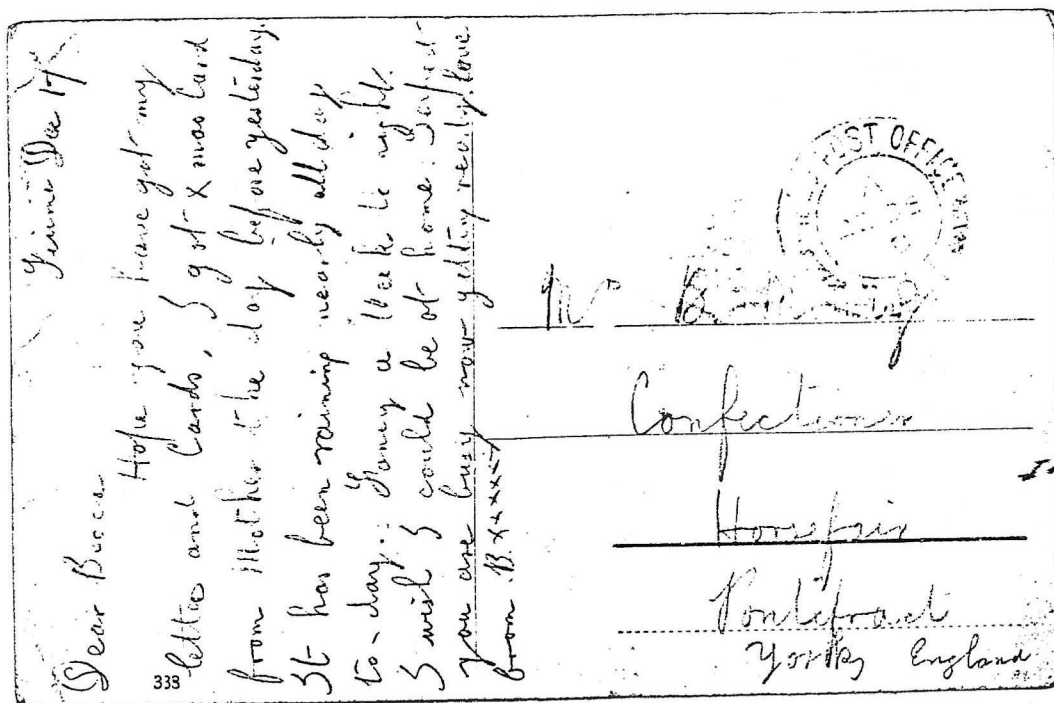
Regent Street
London

Food and fuel were in very short supply in Vienna at the end of the war. Organizations such as the Interallied Food Mission and the Vienna Emergency Relief Fund were set up to provide humanitarian aid to the populace. Examples of mail from these personnel are shown above.

BRITISH FORCES
Fiume

Army Post Office F.D.1
22 December 1918

British Naval Transport Office/Fiume
26 March 1919

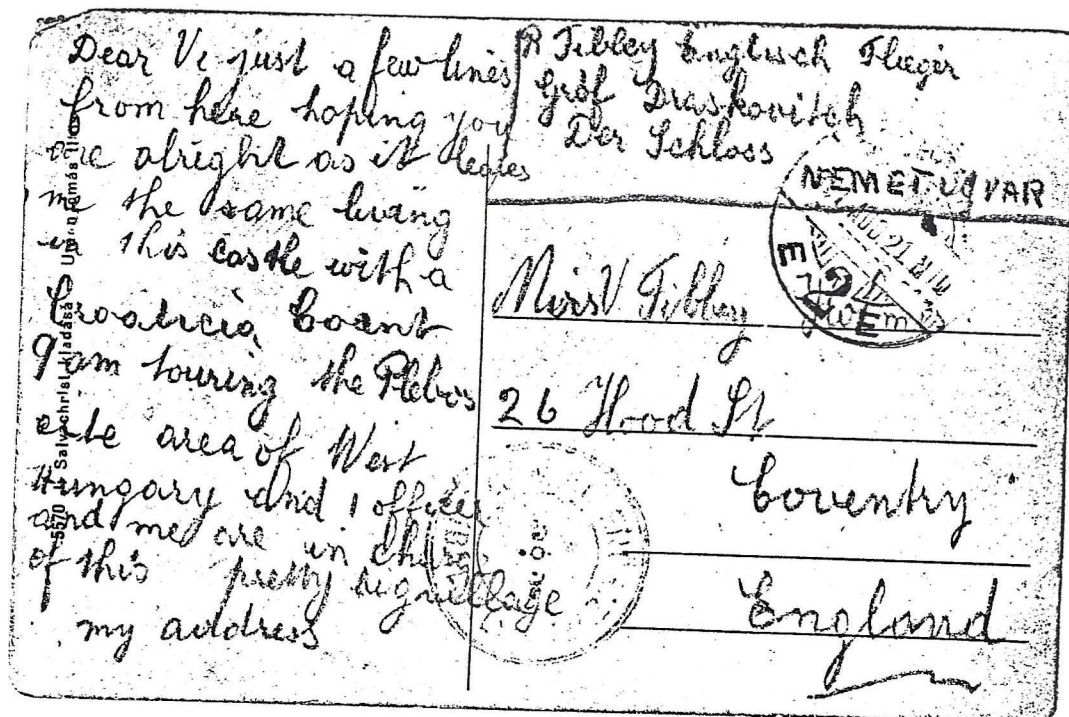
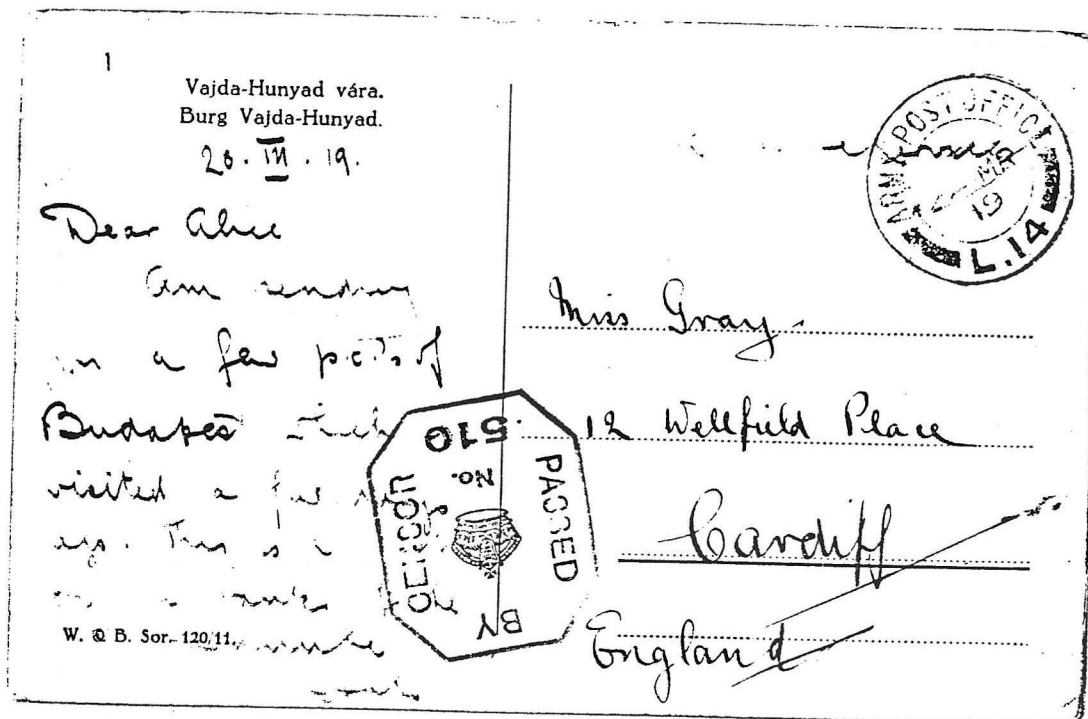


Following the armistice with Austria-Hungary, Allied troops occupied key points around the Adriatic. Some of the British forces went to the port city of Fiume. No separate field post facility was established, so mail was sent back through the existing system in Italy. Note two types of special cachets for the Naval Office.

BRITISH FORCES
Hungary

Army Post Office L.14
20 March 1919

Szombathely
21 August 1921



Although not involved in an organized occupation force, British military personnel were in Hungary. Above picture post card of Budapest was forwarded to Fiume for processing. Lower card from an English pilot states that he is "living in a castle with a Croatian count" and that he and another officer are in charge of this large village (Nemetujvar) in the plebiscite area of West Hungary, which was disputed between Hungary and Austria,

BRITISH FORCES
Hungary

Budapest
23 September 1920
4 February 1921

*Mr Walter Townley K.C.B.
The British Chamber of Commerce
for
The Netherlands East Indies
38 Dover St
London W. 1*

BRITISH RELIEF UNIT
BUDAPEST
ACTION LODGE
FAMINE RELIEF FUND



Mrs C. P. Grace



12, Broadway New York

Southport,

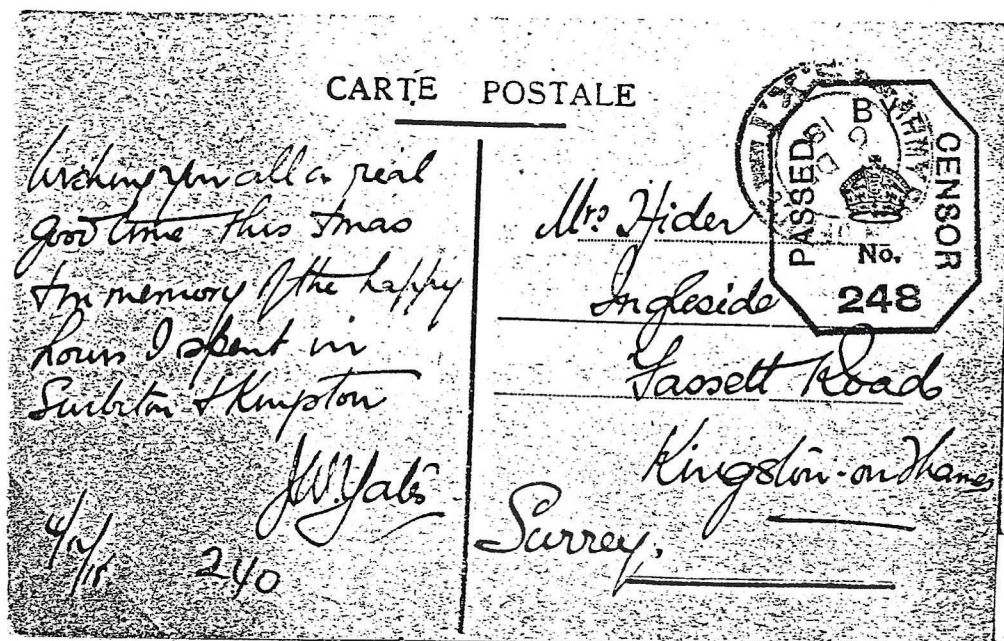
England.

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

BRITISH FORCES
Greece

Army Post Office S.X.1
6 December 1918

Field Post Office G.X
11 December 1918



Miss Raynor.
Twickenham
Buckingham
ENGLAND

W. Yates

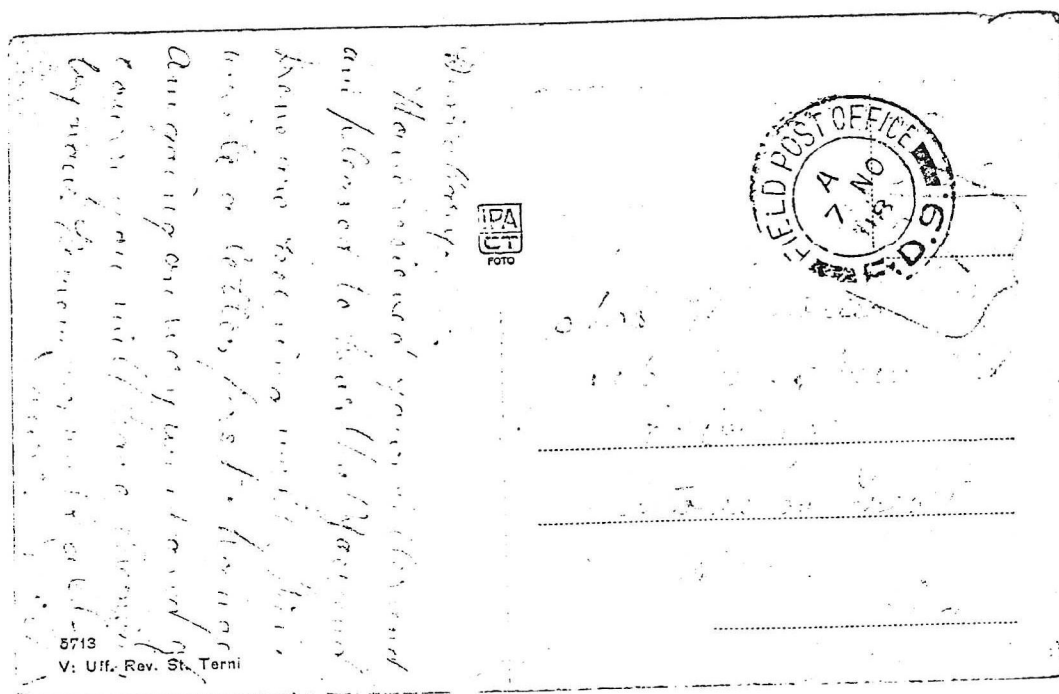
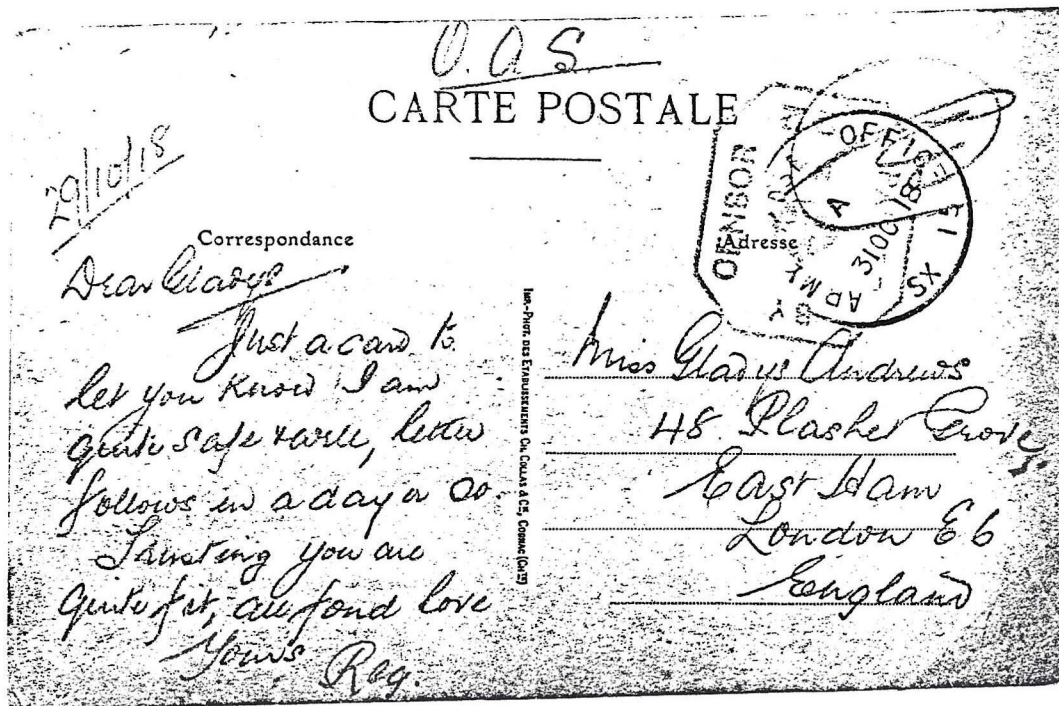


At the time of the Armistice, the British Army had large forces on the Salonica Front. Most of these troops were demobilized, some were assigned to occupation duty in Bulgaria and Turkey, some went to Romania and South Russia, and a few remained in Greece to complete the various military activities. APO S.X.1 and FPO G.X were both located in Salonica.

BRITISH FORCES
Albania

Army Post Office SX 15
31 October 1918

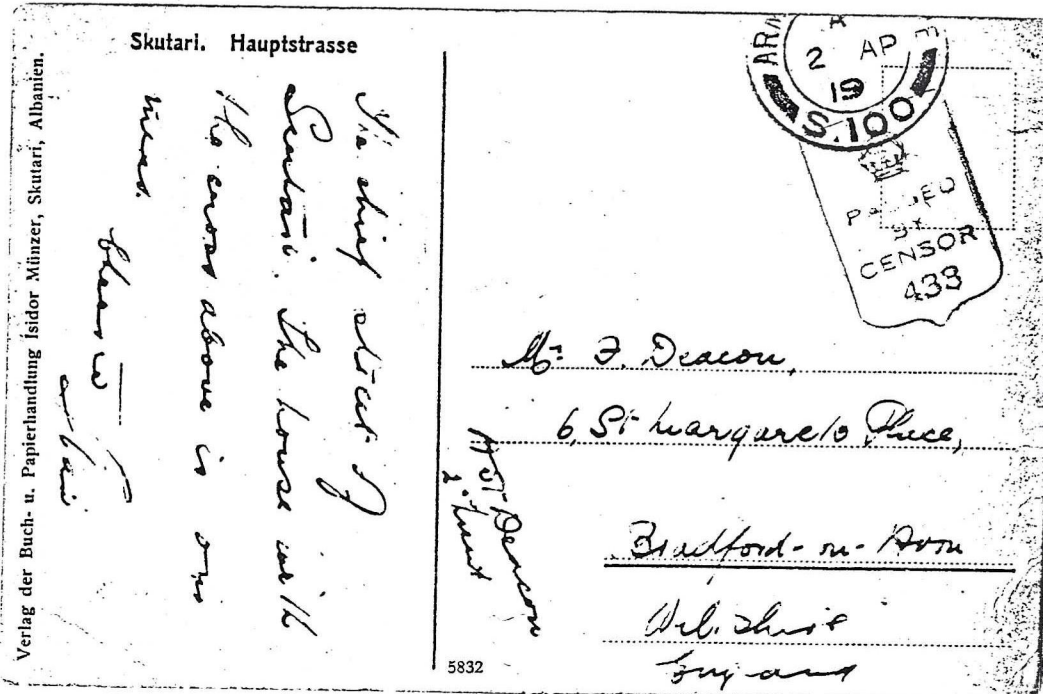
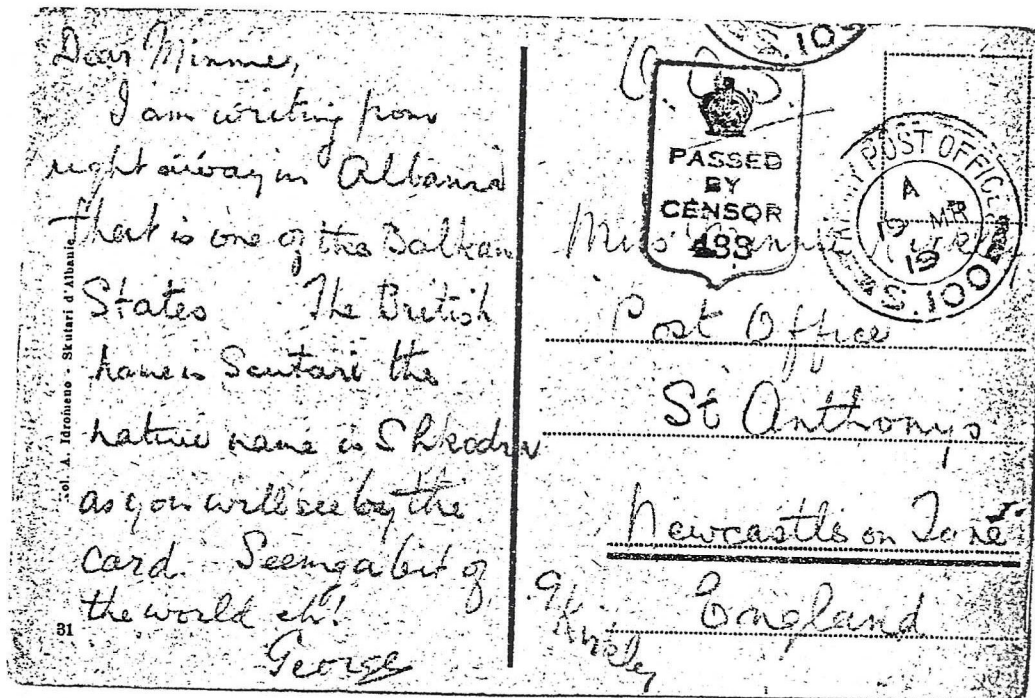
Field Post Office F.D..9
7 November 1918



Following the collapse of the Austrian and Bulgarian forces on the Balkan Front, the Allies quickly advanced into the formerly occupied territories. As there was no British field post service organized for Albania, the above picture postcards were forwarded to nearby stations in Greece and Italy for postmarking.

BRITISH FORCES
Albania

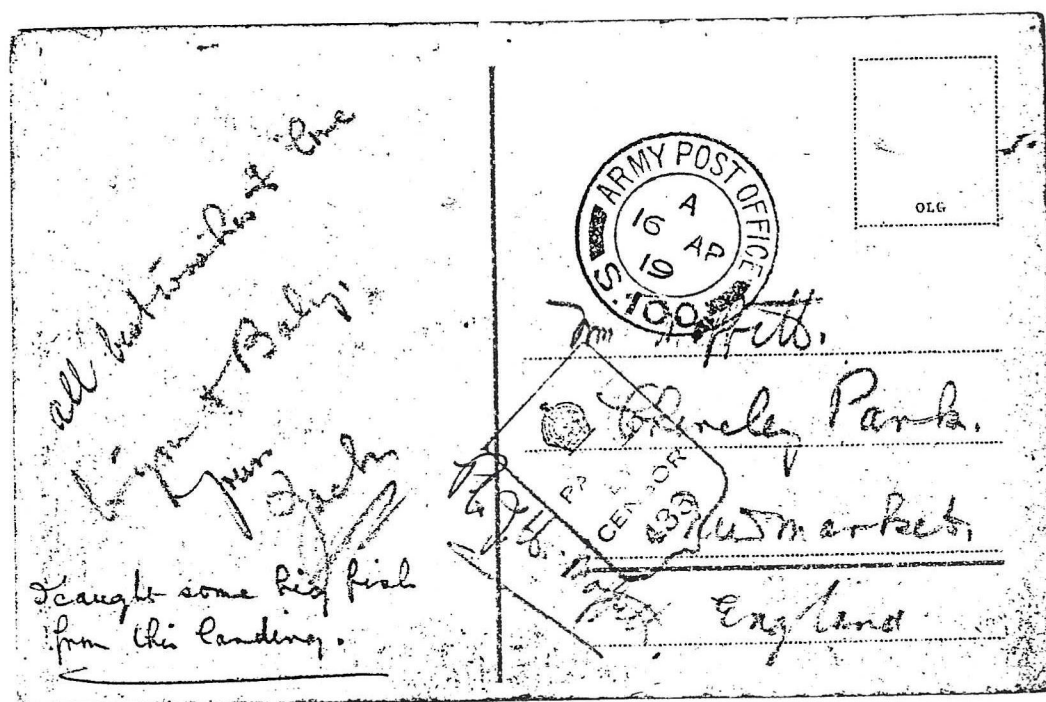
Army Post Office S.100
19 March 1919
2 April 1919



Once the occupation of Albania became more routinized, mail from the British forces, which were located primarily in Scutari, was sent by military pouch to the APO in Taranto, Italy for processing.

BRITISH FORCES
Montenegro

Army Post Office S.100
16 April 1919



A small group of British troops participated in the liberation of Montenegro. Examples of mail from the unit are very elusive. Above picture post card of Virpazar was sent by military pouch to the APO in Taranto, Italy, where it was postmarked and forwarded to the addressee.

BRITISH FORCES
Serbia

Belgrade
26 February 1919

Field Post Office W.2
17 February 1919

BANQUE FRANCO-SERBE

BELGRADE

Monsieur

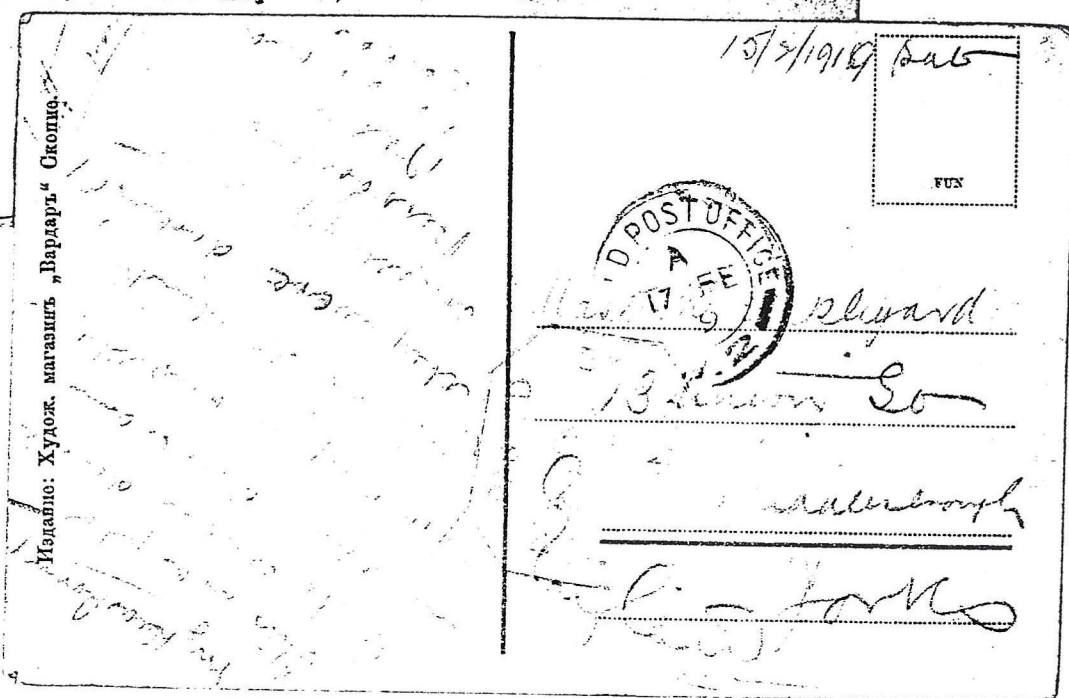
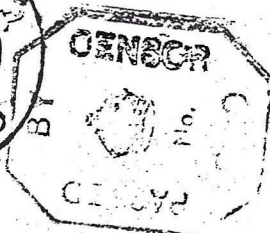
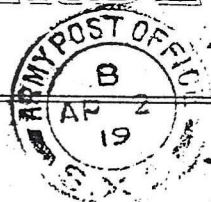
Louis Oaferm

~~Croix Rouge Britannique~~

Hook

~~Belgrade~~

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Commercial cover to a member of the British Red Cross in Belgrade, forwarded to England via APO S.X.2 in Salonica, Greece. The picture post card of Skopje, was mailed through FPO W.2, which opened at that location in February 1919.

BRITISH FORCES
Serbia

Military Posts Br. 68
26 March 1919

Army Post Office L.16
5 August 1919
26 November 1919

THE SERBIAN RELIEF FUND

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Louis Cahem Esq.



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S. R. F.

County Hospital
Nish

We are in full swing &
enjoying ourselves immensely.
Mild & wet, bright intervals
& fine effects on hills round.
Plenty of work, & large hospital
I'll hope to write properly
soon. I had a rush over assize
at the end, nearly missed journey
In so sorry I did not see you
Love from E.M.L.

„Brennholz- und Holzhandels-Gesellschaft“ m. b. H., Berlin S. 14
Georgstr. 36, Tel. 3034



Miss Bryman

16 St Peter's Road
South Croydon

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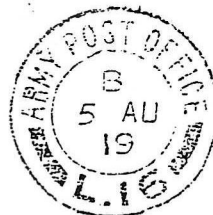
Petera

Examples of mail sent by representatives of the Serbian Relief Fund. Registered cover with 50 para stamp was sent via the Serbian military postal system (Branch No. 68 was assigned to the 17th Infantry Regiment) to England. Picture post card originated at the County Hospital in Nish.

BRITISH FORCES Serbia

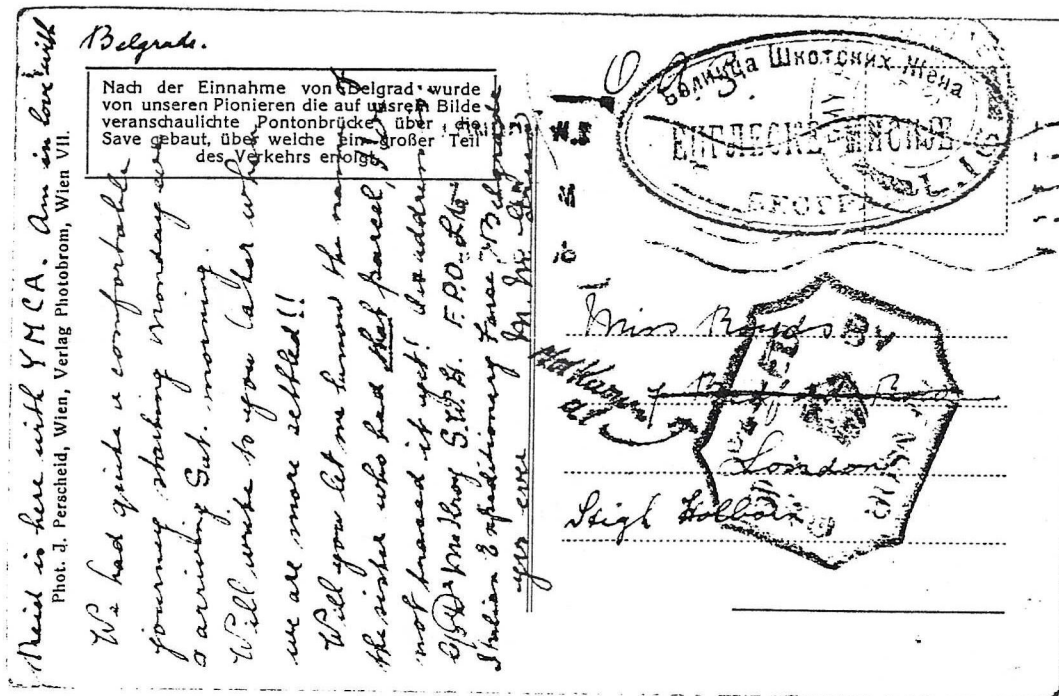
Army Post Office L.16
5 August 1919
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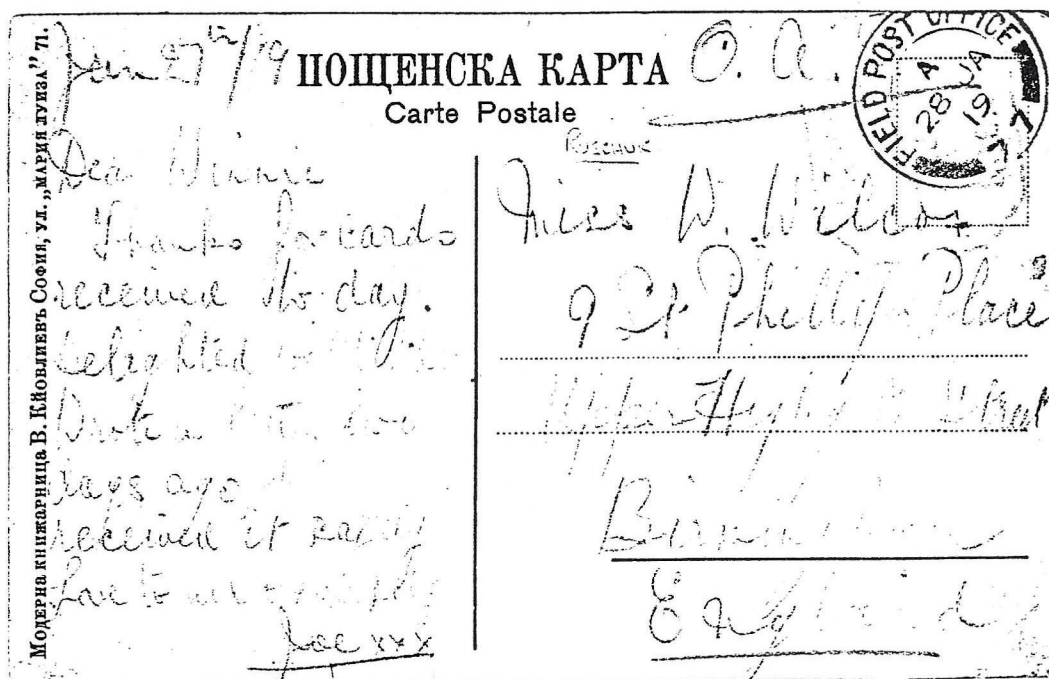
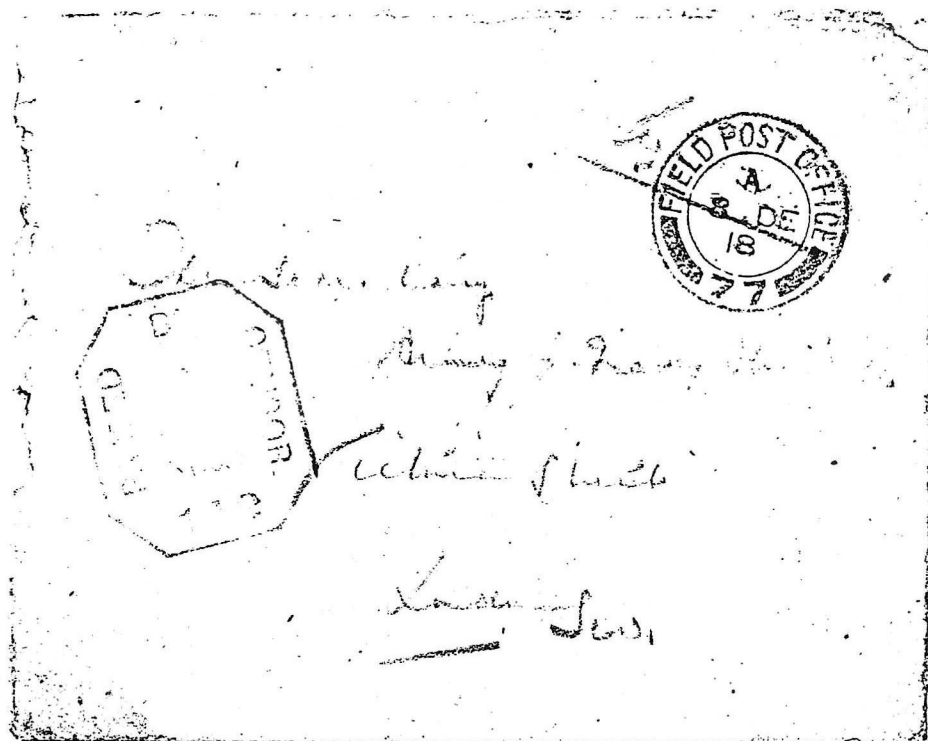
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British APO L.16 was assigned to Belgrade during the summer and fall of 1919. Picture post card has unusual cachet in Cyrillic reading "English Mission/Scottish Women's Hospital/Belgrade."

BRITISH FORCES
Bulgaria

Field Post Office 77
8 December 1918
28 January 1919



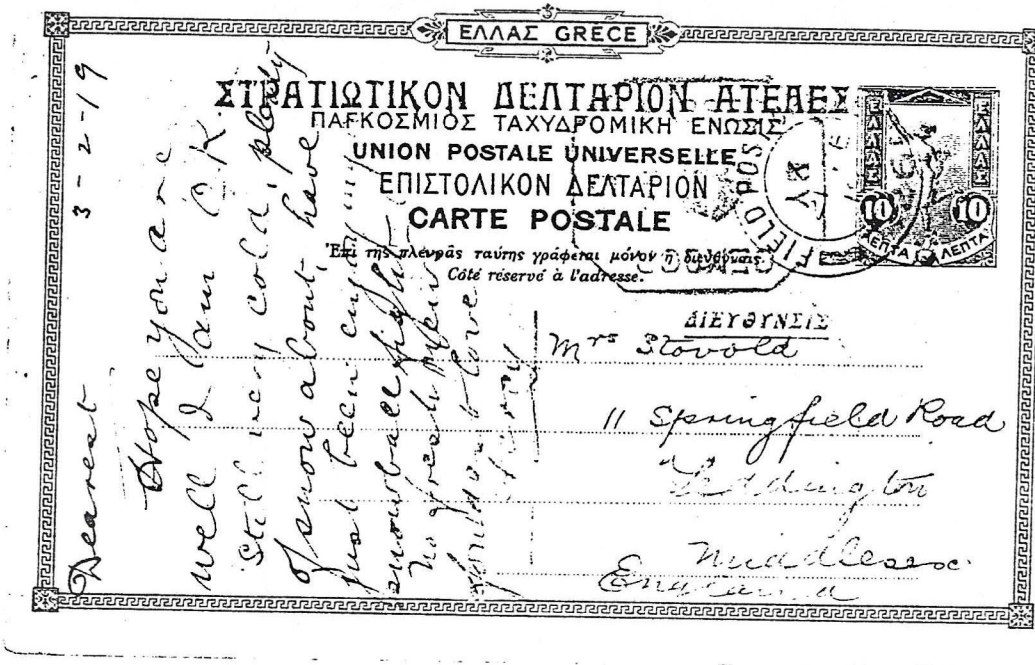
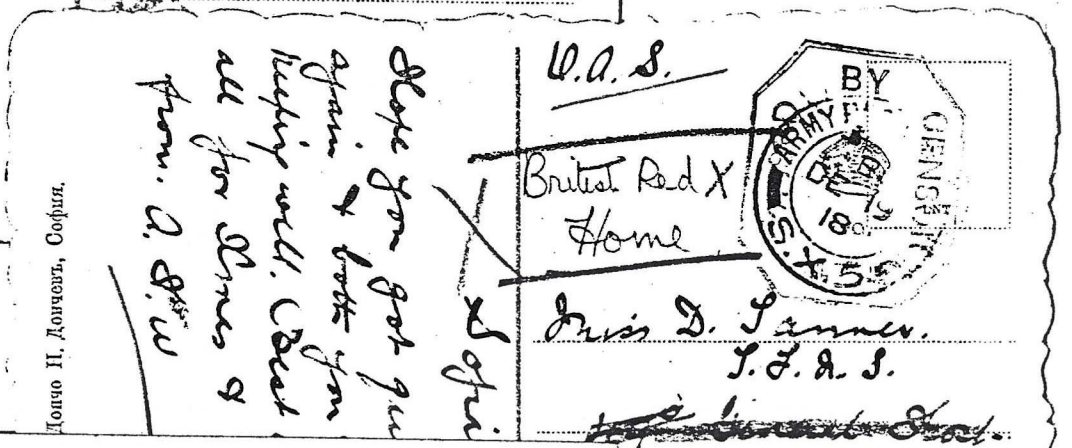
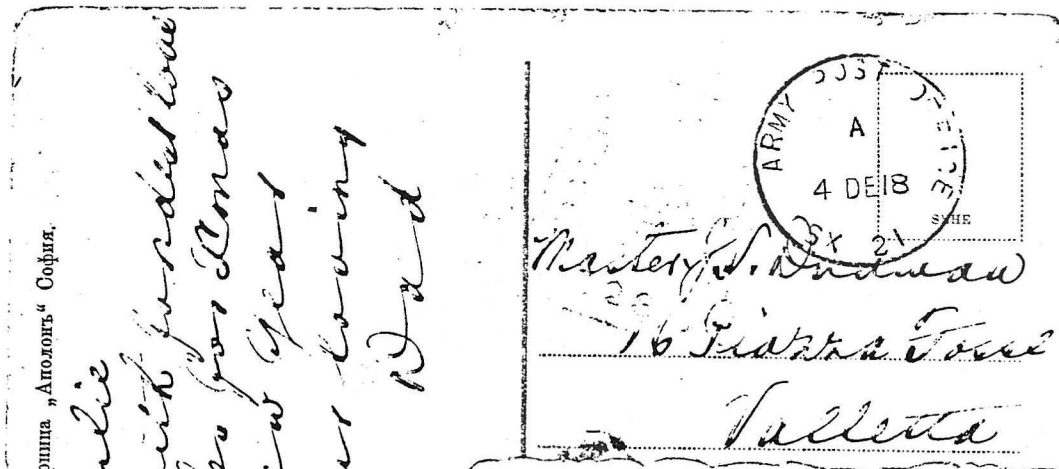
Following the surrender of Bulgaria on 30 September 1918, Allied forces on the Salonica Front quickly advanced and occupied key points in the former enemy nation. Above items sent through FPO 77 which was located at Ruschuk from 17 November 1918 to 1 April 1919.

BRITISH FORCES
Bulgaria

Army Post Office SX 21
4 December 1918

Army Post Office S.X.5
19 December 1918

Field Post Office T.26
21 February 1919



Examples of post cards from the British forces using the army post offices in Sofia, as well as the field post office for the 26th Division in Varna, the major Bulgarian port on the Black Sea.