

SYNOPSIS

PATRIOTIC COVERS

TITLE PAGE- As indicated on the first page of the exhibit, the purpose of my collection was to explore the definition of Patriotic Covers and the reasons for producing such covers.

IMPORTANCE OF THE EXHIBIT- The covers acquired unlocked the story of World War II. By arranging the Patriotic Covers in order from 1939 to 1945 the story of the war unfolded. In a historic but interesting way students can learn about the Allies and their role in winning the Great War. As a retired teacher this Philatelic approach to learning was a "hands on" and more meaningful way to teach this historic event.

TREATMENT OF CONTENT - I believe that the best way to view this exhibit is presenting an outline of the covers shown and the corresponding event

- 1 1939 Churchill and his Bulldog image (Frame1 page2)
- 2 Canada joins forces (Frame1 page 3)
- 3 Ernest Harmon Air Force Base (Frame 1 page4)
- 4 USA declares war (Frame1 page 5)
- 5 Canadian Army Overseas Field PO (Frame1 page 6)
- 6 The importance of the Airforce (Frame1 pages 7)
- 7 Penpal letters from Australia (Frame 1 page 8)
- 8 The need for aircraft carriers (Frame1 page9)
- 9 Patriotic covers were collected during wartime (Frame1 pages 10-11)
- 10 Flags on Patriotic Covers (Frame1 page12)
- 11 Liberating Holland (Frame1 page 13)
- 12 Jacques Minkus covers (Frame1 pages 14-15)
- 15 Cartoon Covers The War is OVER (Frame 1 page16)

HIGHLIGHTS Most of the covers were prepared covers with illustrations and quotes from Prime Minister Churchill and are readily found Those covers by Minkus (pages 14-15) are important because of his contribution to the stamp collecting hobby. He opened stamp counters as early as 1931 in Gimbels Dept

Store. The use of comic sketches to poke fun at the enemy is unique. The final cover (page16) is by far the most desirable and has the most monetary value.

PERSONAL OBSERVATIONS Although the project shows three distinct types of Patriotic covers (prepared, painted Minkus and cartoon sketches) it also relates the history of WWII in chronological order. More importantly it allows for additional covers to be inserted when collected. Additional battles and victories can easily be added without disrupting the flow of history. It can be an ongoing collection, The purpose of these covers was to promote the Allies, the men and women who fought for our freedom and the need for support from those at home.

CREDITS All information was collected from
Timeline www Wikipedia,
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