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TO SALONIQUE, TURKEY (NOW THESSALONICA, GREECE)





INTERNATIONAL POSTAL SUPPLY COMPANY CANCELLATION WITH MACHINE NO. 5 AND "D," FOR DEPOSITED AT POST OFFICE, IN MACY LINES KILLER.



10 MAY 1919



REDUCED PHOTO COPY OF BACK OF ENVELOPE SHOWING D.C. TRANSIT MARKING

29 NOVEMBER 1941



SERVICE SUSPENDED RETURN TO SENDER APPLIED AT NEW YORK





AIRMAIL TO SOFIA, BULGARIA, 24 NWEMBER 1941, BUT, SGRVICE SUSPENDED WHEN BULGARIA JOINED THE AXIS POWERS ON 1 MARCH 1941.



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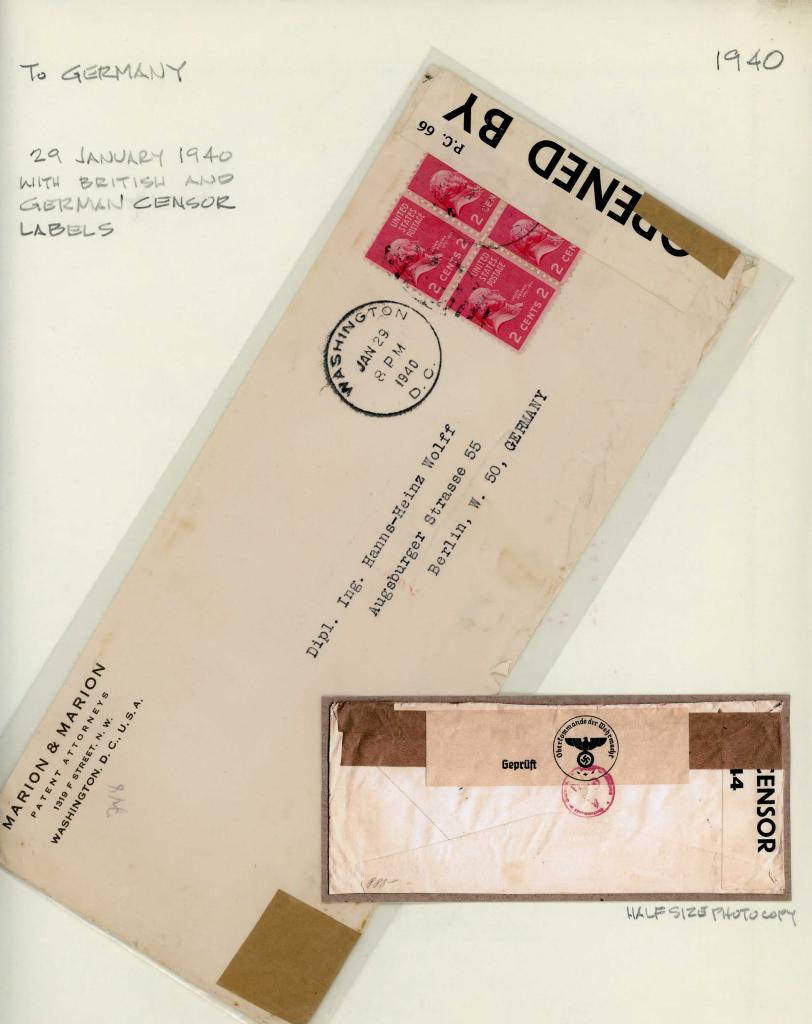
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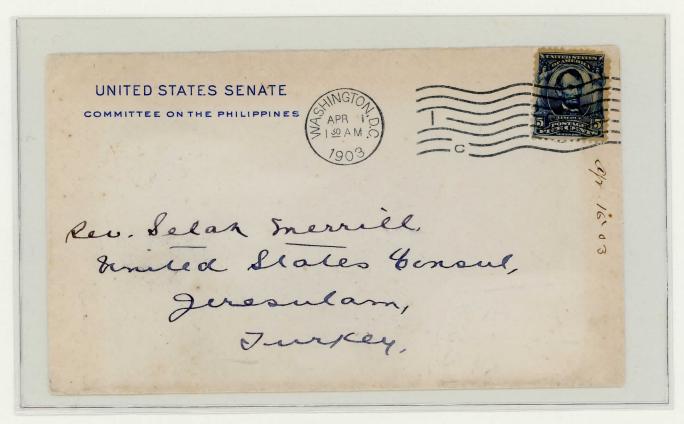


BOSTON TO ENGLAND AND BACK VIA WASHINGTON, DC



INTERNATIONAL MACHINE CANCELLATION, 20 AUGUST, NOTE P.O. HANDLING CODE BLOCK IS EMPTY





U.S.A. TO PALESTINE





NATUR GEORGE CLEMENT PERKINS OF CALIFORNIA HAD EXTENSIVE INTEREST PACIFIC FISHING AND SHIPPING FROM ALASKA TO MEXICO



VERY SCARCE KARLUK, ALASKA BACKSTAMP

% PHOTOCOPY OF REVERSE

e Years of Service: 1903-1933

Republican



SMOOT, Reed, a Senator from Utah; born in Salt Lake City, Utah, January 10, 1862; moved with his parents to Provo, Utah County, Utah, in 1874; attended local schools and academies and graduated from the Brigham Young Academy (now Brigham Young University) at Provo in 1879; engaged in banking, mining, livestock raising, and in the manufacture of woolen goods; elected as a Republican to the United States Senate in 1902; reelected in 1908, 1914, 1920 and 1926 and served from

4, 1903, to March 3, 1933; unsuccessful candidate for ion in 1932; chairman, Committee on Patents (Sixtieth ess), Committee on Printing (Sixty-first and Sixty-second esses), Committee on Public Lands (Sixty-second and iixth Congresses), Committee on Expenditures in the Department (Sixty-third through Sixty-fifth Congresses), ittee on Public Lands and Surveys (Sixty-seventh ess), Committee on Finance (Sixty-eighth through Seventy-Congresses); co-author of the Smoot-Hawley Tariff Act of moved to Salt Lake City, Utah, in 1933; retired from active as pursuits; served as one of the twelve apostles of the of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and at the time of his was next in line to succeed the president of the quorum and succeed the president; died in St. Petersburg, Fla., ry 9, 1941; interment in Provo City Cemetery, Provo, Utah.



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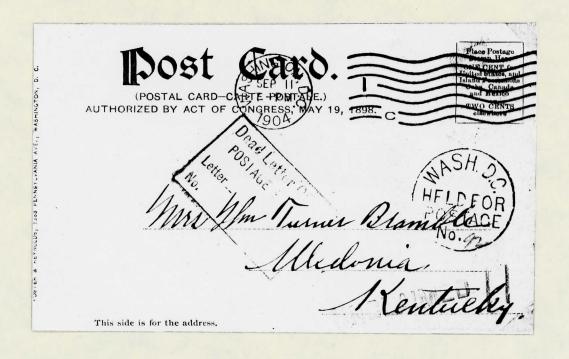
28 AUGUST 1903



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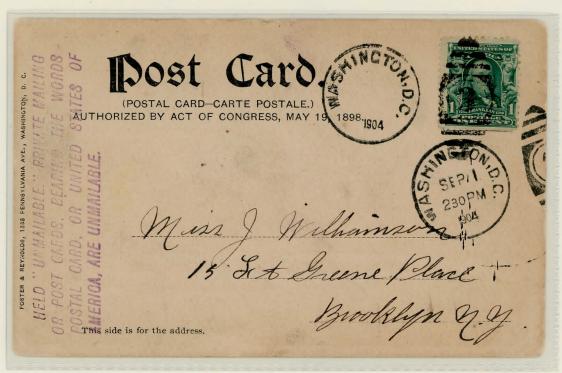
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PHOTO COPY OF PICTURE SIDE OF POST CARD AT 3/4 ACTUAL SIZE



DUPLIEX "3" 27 OCTOBER 1905 8 P.M.

ALEXANDRIA TO CAIRO TRAVELING POST OFFICE
12 NOVEMBER 1905



PICTURE SIDE OF POST CARD REDUCED 25 %

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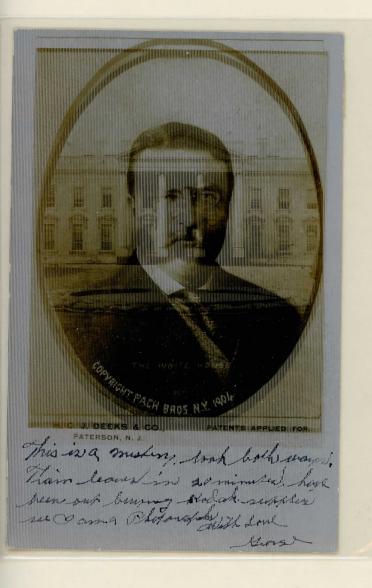


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WASHINGTON DC REC'D 16 AUGUST 1906 9-PM MACHINE CANCEL



PATENT NOT (SSUE UNTIL 23 OFFORD)
1908 TO H. C. J. DEEKS & COMPANY
PATTERSON, N.J.



KRAG REPERTER MACHINE CANCEL EXPERIMENTAL USE.



PICTURE SIDE OF CARD



2 CENTS LINCOLN BIRTH CENTENNIAL POST
MARKED 362 DAY BEFORE IT WAS ISSUED,
12 FEBRUARY 1909. THE "5" AND "D" IN THE
WAVY LINE KILLER INDICATE MACHINE NUMBER 5,
ANDLETTER DEPOSITED AT POST OFFICE. THE
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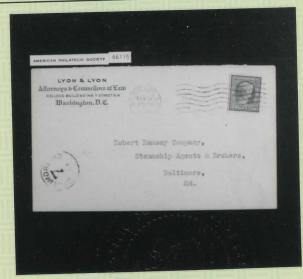


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REDUCED PHOTO COPY OF PICTURES SIDE OF



JULY 9,10 & 11,1910 RETURNED TO DEPT. OF STATE FOR POSTAGE - DOUBLE WEIGHT FOREIGN PRINTED MATTER

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WASHINGTON,D.C.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

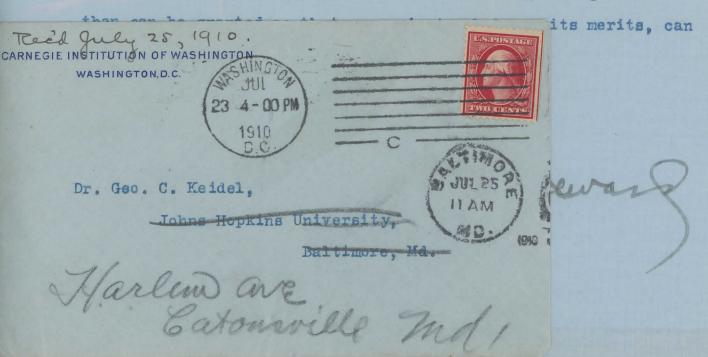
July 23d, 1910.

Professor Geo. C. Keidel, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland.

Dear Sir:

Acknowledging the due receipt of your letter and application for a grant, dated the 21st inst., I beg to state that your application will be placed on file for consideration in the formation of our budget for the year 1911. This budget cannot be completed and approved prior to the meeting of the Board of Trustees in December next.

I deem it a duty to state to you that the number of applications for aid from the Institution is constantly far greater





FEE CLAIMED AT WASHINGTON, D.C. 23APRIL 1910



SPECIAL DELIVERY
"TIME CLOCK"
4 PM
23 APRIL 1910

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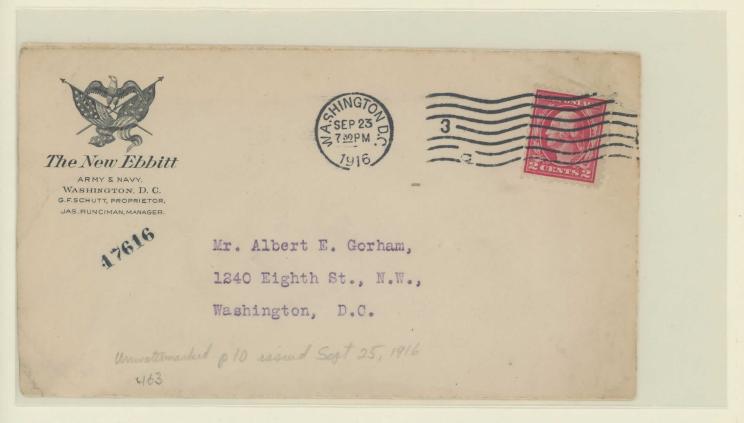
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PHOTOCOPY OF BACK OF ENVISLOPE



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2 CENTS WASHINGTON STAMP IS UNWATER MARKED AND PERFORMED 10 AND WAS ISSUED ON MONDAY, 25 SEPTEMBER 1916 BUT WAS USED HERE LATE ON SATURBAY, 23 SEPTEMBER.

ALBERT E. GORHAM IN THE 1920'S BECOMES ONE OF THE MOST PROLIFIC FIRST PAY COVER CACHET MAKERS AND SERVICERS. HE ALSO BECOMES SECRETARY OF THE WASHINGTON PHILATELIC SOCIETY AND PRESIDENT OF THE SOCIETY OF PHILATELIC AMERICANS.



WASHINGTON DC 13 AUGUST 1914

VENICE 2 SEPTEMBER

FORWARDED TO SWITZERLAND BEFORE RETURING TO U.S.A.



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POSTED AT WASHINGTON DC 12 APRIL 1933 TO MUCHNIK ROIDA AT 41 GOSPITALNAYA, ODESSIA U, S.S.R.



REDUCED PHOTOCOPY OF BACK OF ENVELOPE SHOWING MOSCOW TRANSIT AND ODESSA RECEIVING POST MARKS.







THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN NATIONAL RED CROSS BEGS TO ACKNOWLEDGE WITH GRATEFUL THANKS YOUR PURCHASE OF THE RED CROSS CHRISTMAS SEALS.

H. S. REESIDE, TREASURER.

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REDUCED PHOTOCOPY OF ADDRESS SIDE OF ENVISLOPE

LETTER POSTED & WEEK BEFORE ALL MAIL SERVICE TO GERMANY WAS SUSPENDED.



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OVER FOR MORE OF THE STORY ...

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This is a very interesting cover as it was sent to Germany just as America entered the Great War against Germany. Posted at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on 31 March 1917 at 7 PM, which was a Saturday evening. On the following Monday, 2 April, President Woodrow Wilson requested Congress declare war on Germany; which Congress did on Friday the 6th of April. Some time in early June 1917 the cover was officially sealed, stamped with a pointing finger "Return to Sender From D. D. L.", and postmarked June 1917 (the day did not print) with the machine slogan "DO YOUR BIT BUY A LIBERTY LOAN BOND INQUIRE AT ANY BANK OR POST OFFICE" from Washington, D. C. The die for the slogan is Robert Payne's die b which has a last known use date of 15 June 1917. What happen to the letter in between is a mystery.

The cover is franked with two 1-cent green Washington-Franklin's (Scott No. 462) which was the United States domestic postage rate at the time. However, at this time there was a negotiated treaty rate with Germany that provide for the transmissions of first class letters between the United State and Germany at the domestic rate when the mail was carried on German ships traveling directly to German ports. In March 1915 with the war well underway in Europe and feelings against Germany strong, German ships were banned from U. S. ports. With no German ships available this route and consequently this rate was suspended. Mail to Germany could still be sent but now it had to go at the UPU rate of 5 cents and via another country. Letters paying the suspended rate of 2 cents were to be treated as short paid and marked with a "T" and postage due of double the deficiency. This cover has not been marked in this manner. So what happened?

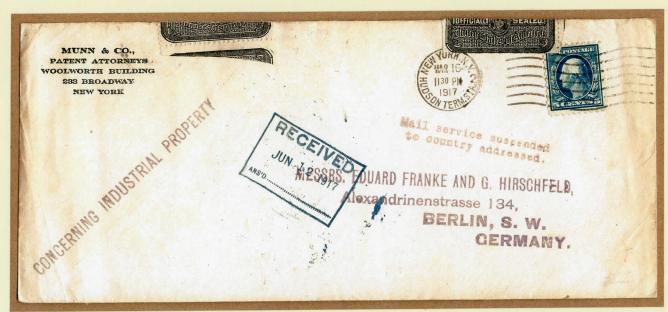
Another possibility is the two 1-cent Washington-Franklin's pays the 2 cents merchandise sample rate for up to 4 ounces. The sender, Morgan, Hastings and Co. was a manufacturer of gold foil and of dental gold; the addressee was a doctor, possibly a dentist. Such merchandise had to be clearly labeled and enclosed in an unsealed wrapper. The envelope flap is missing and there is no sign of gum residue that would indicate that this cover was sealed. A sample of gold foil could easily have fitted in this envelope.

On Saturday, 7 April 1917, the Post Office Department issued order #211 which prohibited all mail to Germany. It further instructed Postmasters to send the prohibited mail to the Division of Dead Letters, Post Office Department, Washington, D. C. This cover probably went from Philadelphia to New York on 31 March 1917 where it was held until instructions were received as a declaration of war was widely expected. Once Order 211 was received the letter would have been stamped "Mail services suspended to country addressed." and forwarded to the Division of Dead Letters in Washington, D. C. There it would have been opened, the flap and contents removed, and the envelope officially sealed. If it contained a gold foil sample, that sample would likely have been confiscated. Passing gold, even in small amounts, to the enemy in time of war is not likely to be tolerated.

What a confusing explanation this is for a letter that got caught in a turning point of history which was very confusing at the time nor when looked back upon.

PREVIOUS OWNER'S EXPLANATION:

14391hub/ii Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Frankfurt, Germany 1917. Scott 462 (2) tied to the upper right corner of cover by a black "PHILADELPHIA, PA MAR 31 7 - PM 1917" machine cancel and paying either the 1 cent per two ounces printed matter rate for up to 4 ounces or the 2c merchandise sample rate for the first 4 ounces. Magenta two line "Mail service suspended to country addressed." auxiliary mark in the middle. Blue printed three line "Morgan, Hastings and Co. 817-21 Filbert Street Philadelphia" corner card to which a violet pointing hand containing "Returned to Writer FROM D.D.L." is pointed. Scott OX15 affixed over the top and tied by a partial black Washington D.C. JUN PM 1917 slogan cancel - "DO YOUR BIT BUY A LIBERTY LOAN BOND INQUIRED AT ANY BANK OF POST OFFICE". No back flap, although it appears it was tucked in as there is no gum residue or sealing outline of same. Wawrukiewicz and Beecher (Anthony S. & Henry W. - U.S. International Postal Rates, 1872-1996) provides the following: "PB 13115 (Apr. 7, 1917) No mail to be sent to Germany or any place under German control." This must have still been in the system by that time and was returned sometime in June. Perkal and Kazman (Adam & Seymour - The Post Office Seals of the U.S.) list the earliest know use of OX15 as 24-Apr-1917, making this a fairly early use. Since a return address was provided I can't explain the trip to the Dead Letter Office. There was a provision in the 1913 P.L.&R, Section 481 1/2, as amended by Order No. 431, 16-Jun-1917 stating the following: "Every letter, writing, circular, postal card, picture, print, engraving, photograph newspaper, pamphlet, book or other publication, matter, or thing, of any kind in violation of any of the provisions of this act (Act of June 15, 1917 Espionage Bill), Is hereby declared to be nonmailable matter and shall not be conveyed in the malls or delivered from any post office or by any letter carrier: Provided, That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to authorize any person other than an



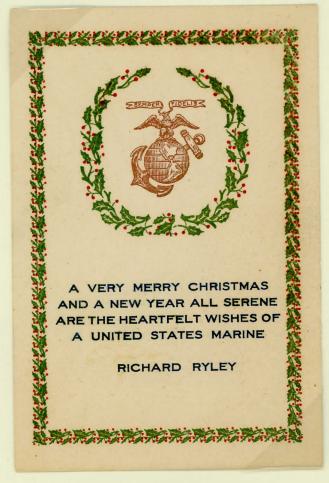
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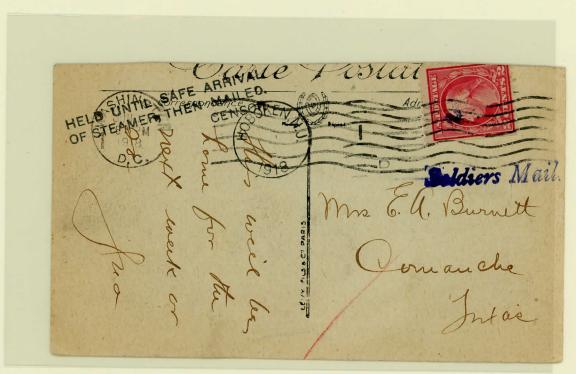


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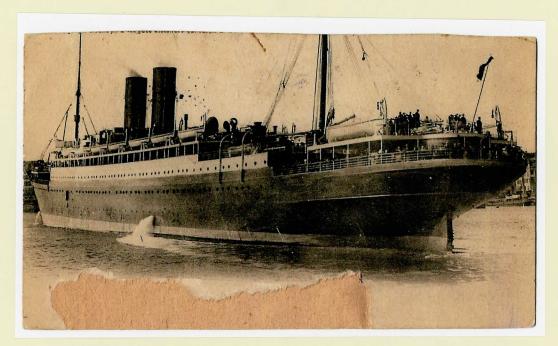




ENCLOSURE



POSTED SOMETIME IN SPRING OF 1918 AT LIOBOKEN, NEW JERSEY AND RECEIVED IN WASHING TON DC ON 10 JUNE 1918.



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WORLD WAR I CENSORED COVER



TO THE WRITER AND COVER WAS STAMPED "Export License Required"



MACHINE 3 C = COLLECTED tem STREET BOX

23 JUNE 1918



STAMP MISSING

RETURN TO SENDER

REDUCED PHOTOGOPY OF ADDRESS SIDE OF ENVELOPE



PHILADELPHIA PA STATION? 16 DECEMBER 1917

NEW YORK, NY 17 DECEMBER 19 RECEIVED (16) FOREIGN

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Въ Апрълъ мъсяцъ с.г., на аммуниціонномъ заводъ возлъ Филадельфіи, во время взрыва, былъ убитъ рабочій подъ именемъ С У П О Н І Й Г Е Р А С И М У К Ъ, уроженецъ с. Щедрогорще, Котешевской Волости, Ковельскаго уъзда, Волынской Губерніи.

У покойнаго Герасимука осталась въ с. Щедрогорще, жена Акулина Исидоровна, урожденная Андреюкъ, и сынъ около 6 ти лътъ по имени Акимъ. Акулинъ приблизительно лътъ 28.

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Ваши съ почтеніемъ, Русское Бюро, А.Б. Белуша

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L. A. Bloom

RETURNED TO SENDER

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SENT FROM 4 MAY 1919 AT CHELSEA TERM, R.P. O.
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Siemens Schuckertwerke, G.m.b.H., Berlin, Germany



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POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT, FIFTH AND W STREETS NE.

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TOGULM 7 MAY 1937



Mr. L. B. Hyde Mulkey Salt Company 154 Bagley Avenue Detroit, Michigan