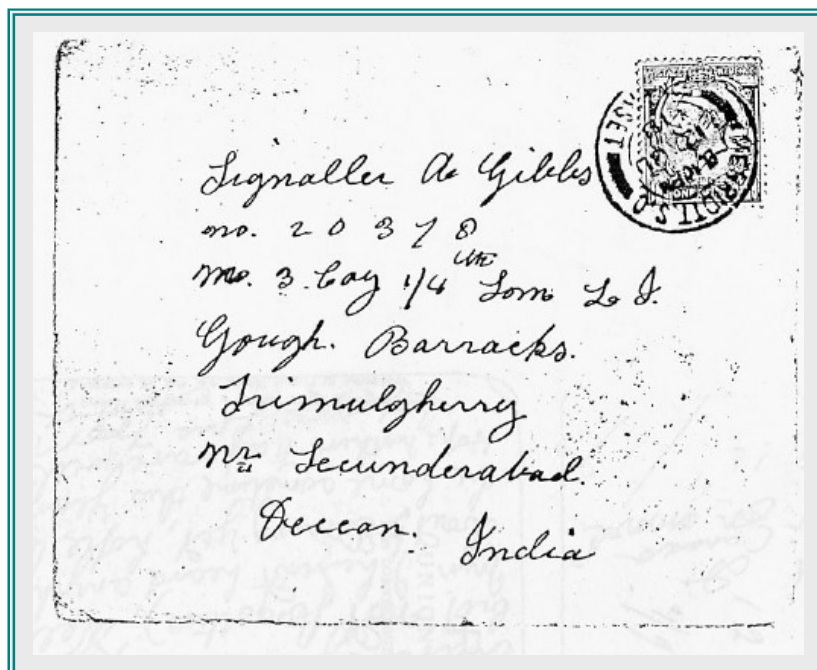


Wartime Links with Home

Text: David Gibbs



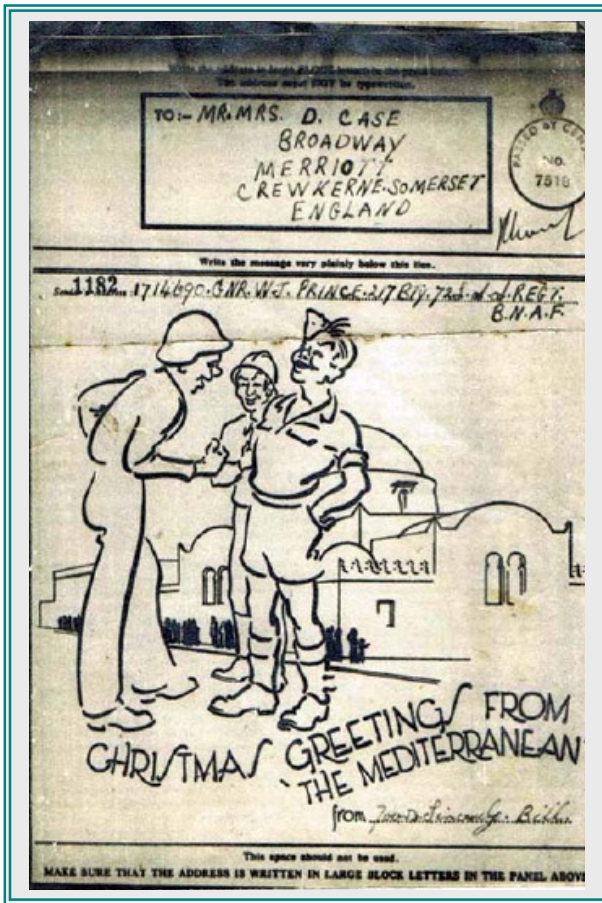
Envelope of a letter sent from Merriott post office to a WW1 soldier stationed in India. For more detail of this and other letters, see the article *From Merriott to Siberia; Letters to My Father* filed elsewhere in this archive.



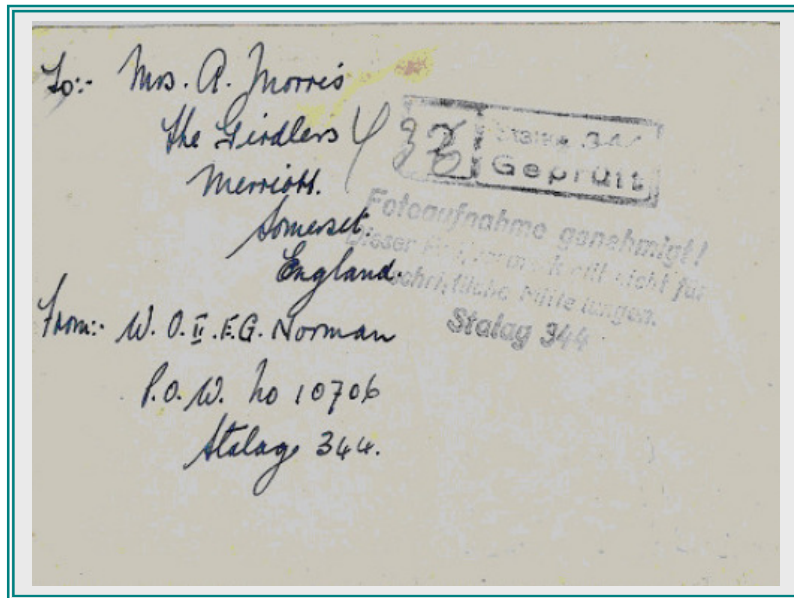
Peacetime postcard sent by a Hewish boy serving on board

HMS Queen Elizabeth to his married sister Hilda who lived in Merriott.

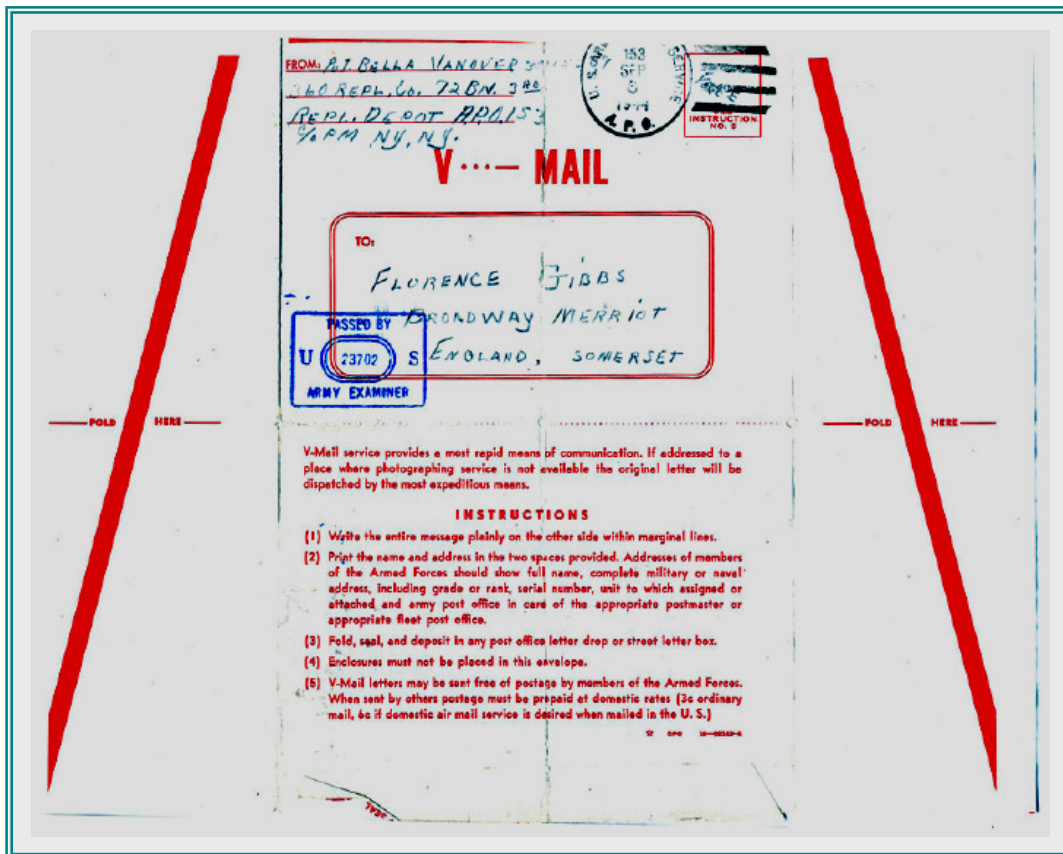




A WW2 postcard to a Mr and Mrs D Case from Mrs Case's brother (pictured above) who was serving in the Mediterranean.



The reverse of a photograph (?), complete with a Stalag 344 stamp, sent to Anne Morris by her uncle Ted who was a WW2 prisoner of war. (Stalag 344 was an infamous German prisoner of war camp in the village of Lamsdorf (now in Poland). it housed as many as 1000 prisoners of many nationalities. The Russians liberated it in March 1945. Goole *Stalag 344* for more.)



One of a series of letters from an American soldier 'somewhere in France' to a Merriott girl, Florrie Gibbs. Bella Vancover was stationed in Merriott before D-Day. His war took him as far as Belgium. In September 1944, he was invalided back to a US military hospital in Southampton before returning home

