

postmark.

“Miss Lila Robinson” of Louisville, Kentucky received a “carte postale” (postcard, in French) from “Lt. [Lieutenant] E.D. Hill” written RQ 6 HSWHPEHU VLJQHG †*HQH . >)LJ. Robinson is in Louisville in the 1910 U.S. census at the street address written on the postcard, and she is shown as Lila H. Robinson in the 1920 U.S. census.⁴ \$ (XJHQH 'X%RVH WHOHSKRQH DQG WHC Louisville in the 1920 U.S. census.

The postcard has a censor’s stamp and was initially censored by the sender, which was permitted because he was an

RI;FHU VHUYHG ZLWK WKH †6 & . >6LJQDO &RUSV@ VKRZO Z †\$ 3 2 >\$UP\ 3RVW 2I;FH@ : ZKLFK LV ZULWWHQ -LO WKI WRJUDSK RI 7RXUV DSSHUV RQ WKH IU, Red W on Rdbin W, Klec SR on FDU with Louisville).⁷ †2I;FHU V ODLO . ZULWWHQ LQ WKH XSSHU ULJKW on mail sent by military personnel from overseas (as were “Soldier’s Mail” or “Sailor’s Mail”). The postcard text VSHDNV RI (XJHQH +LOO V OLPLWHG DELOLW\ WR WDQN ZLW ULHG LQ /RXLVYLOOH RQ 2FWREHU DQG DUH LQ /RXLV veteran status.⁹

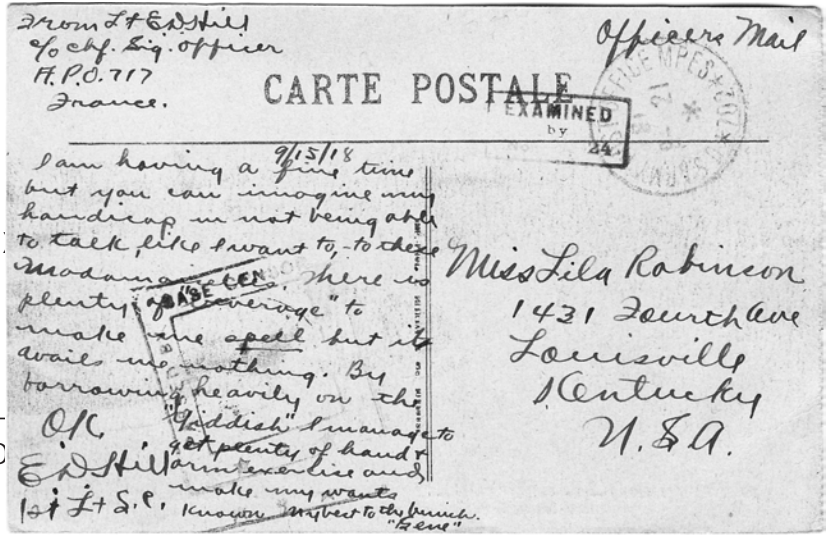


Figure 2

†OUV \$ 5 3KLOOL Kentucky received a “carte postale” IURP †3YW > 3ULYDWH >)LJXUH @ 7-KH JLQV †'HDU ORWKHU . 5 †3KLOLSV . DQG KI &\QWKLDDQ LQ W'KH

The “704” in the military postmark corresponds to La Valdahon, Doubs, France.¹¹ The front of the postcard (viewable on) has a photo-JUDSK RI *LJRW)UDC which is about fourteen miles east of Valdahon. This postcard has “Soldier’s ODLO . D FHQVRU V VWDPS DQG VLJQD W XUH



Figure 3

†OUV ,VDDF + %URZQH . RI :LQFKHVWHU/W.HQWDXFFN V U% EHR O & >OHGLFDO &RUSV@ 8 6 \$>UP\@ % + >%DVH +RVSLWD †%URZO . ZLWK KHU KXVEDQG VKRZO DV D SK\VLFLDO LV LQ typed on the envelope.¹² 7KLV HQYHORSH ZKLFK ZDV SURYLGHG E\ WKH < KDV D FHQVRU V VWDPS WKH VHOGHU V VLJQD W XUH ad-DV FHC GUHV V LQFOXGHV †\$ 3 2 .HUKXRO)UDQFH . \$ 3 2 western France), and Kerhuon is about two miles east of Brest.¹⁴

3 ULRU WR RYHUV
 service, U.S. soldiers trained in
 this country. "Mrs. J.E. Uhler" of
 % RZOLQJ * UHHQ . H
 DO HQYHORSH IURP
 < RUN LQ 6HSWHPEHU
 OUV (7 % DUU . >)
 (DUOH 8KOHU UHJLV
 6HU YLFH LQ % RZOLQ
 An Edward and Mary Barr, with their
 GDXJKWHU & RULQQH
 * UHHQ LQ WKH

the street address written on the en-
 velope.¹⁶ John Earle Uhler married
 & RULQQH OF & UH DU
 * UHHQ 'LJ

John E. Uhler, a
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 & RULQQH DUH LQ WKH 8 6 FHQ
 sus. 3ODWWVEXUJ ZDV WKH VLWH RI D
 ODUJH : RUOG : DU , WUDILOI EDPS 7KH

envelope has a stamp, as it was not
 PDLOHG IURP RYHUV
 ORJR

Many more envelope and post-
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 UHVLGHQWV DUH - DYI
 lopes and postcards relate to our an-
 cestors' political and social interests,
 ZRUN UHFUHDWLRO
 JLQV DQG D UHDO S
 even have their picture.¹⁹ At present,
 JHQHDORJLVWV FDQ
 envelope or postcard sent or received
 by their ancestors. Envelopes and
 postcards for sale and in postal his-

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 or philatelic association.

7KH DXWKRU WKDQNV WKH JHQHDORJLVWV ZKR SRVWHG RO
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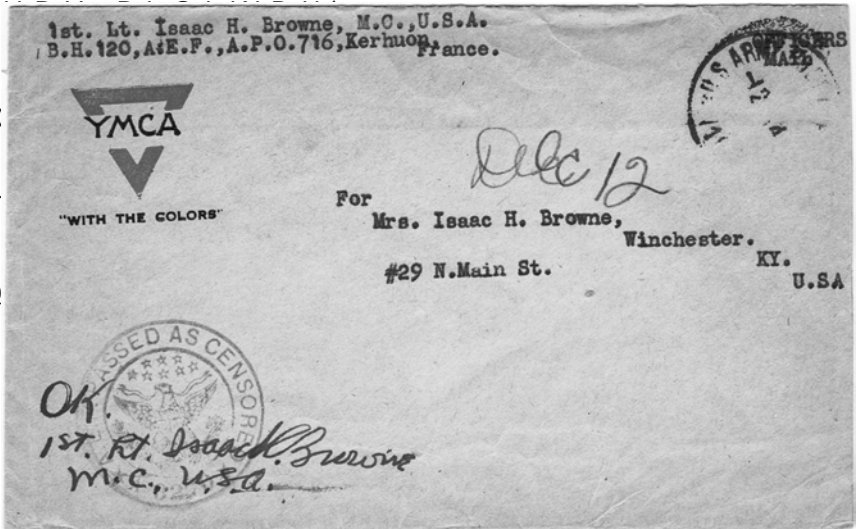


Figure 4

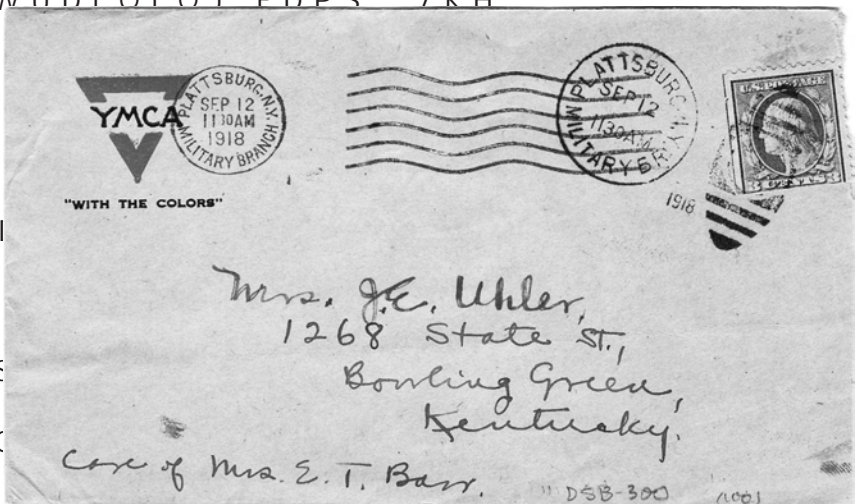


Figure 5

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 S % SHQQHG GZHOOLQJ IDPLO\ GLJLWDO LPDJH
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2011). The censor assured that wartime postcards and letters did not indicate the soldier's location, weapons, his unit's
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 envelope fell into their hands.

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