

Winston Churchill on U.S. Covers

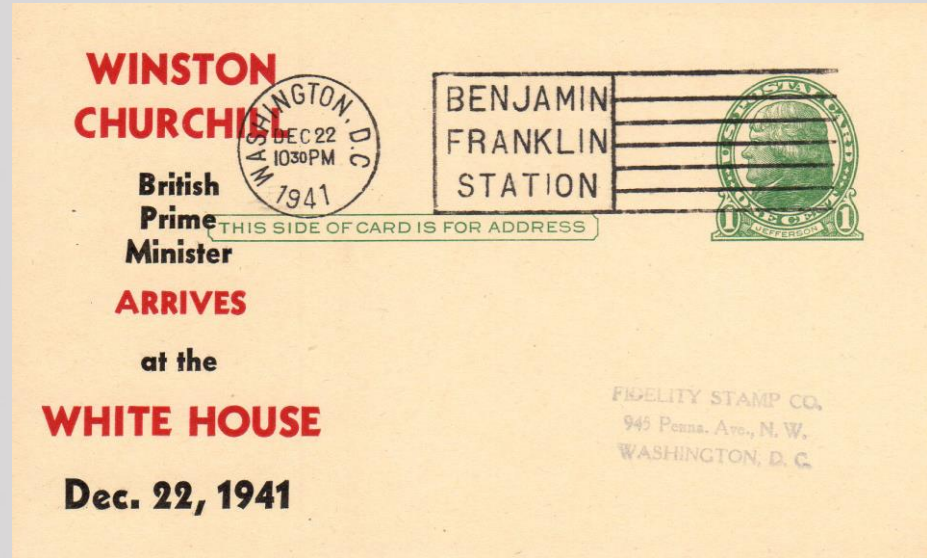
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DECEMBER 22, 1941

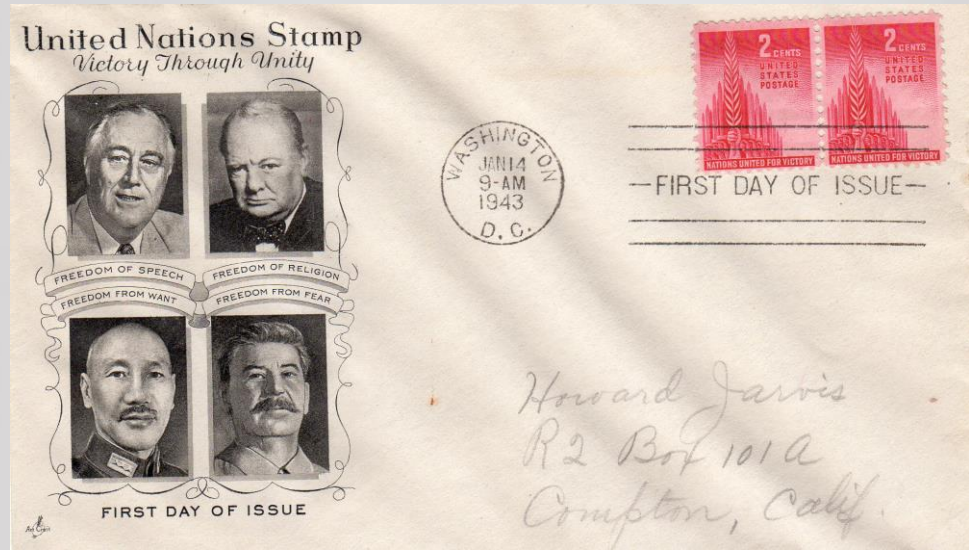
Churchill lands in Washington, D.C. to meet with President Franklin Roosevelt December 22-January 14 after the U.S. enters World War II, nicknamed the Arcadia Conference. *



produced by the Fidelity Stamp Company of Washington, D.C.

June 14, 1943

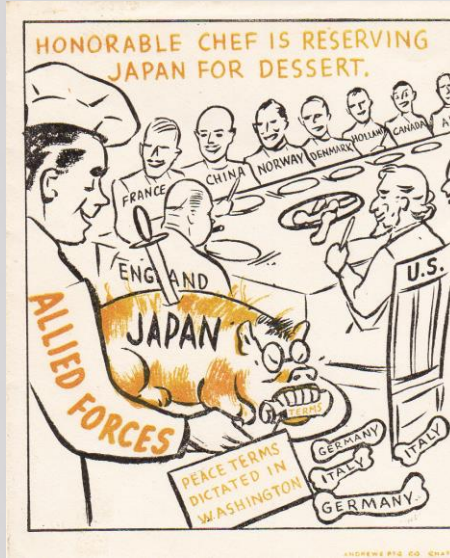
First day cover for the U.S. United Nations commemorative featuring Franklin Roosevelt (U.S.), Winston Churchill (U.K.), Chiang Kai-shek (China) and Joseph Stalin (Soviet Union).



Art Craft cachet

SEPTEMBER 2, 1943

Churchill heads the table on this patriotic cachet as the Allies await the main course of “Japan” after leaving the bones of the first course “Axis” nations on the floor.



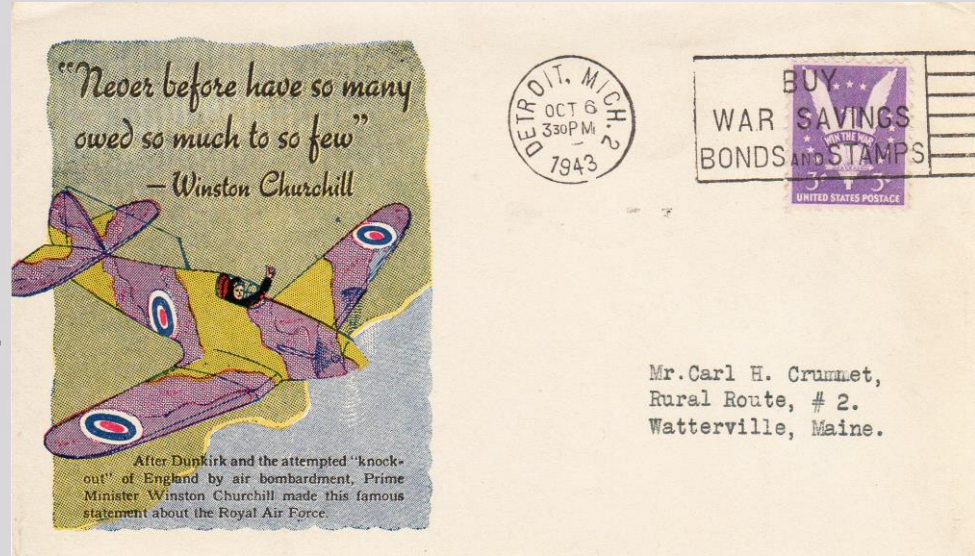
Mr. E. N. Sampson,
420 Abingdale Drive,
Stratford, Conn.

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Andrews Printing Company, Chattanooga, TN

OCTOBER 6, 1943

Churchill's famous quote came from a House of Commons speech of August 20, 1940 about the Royal Air Force's defence of Britain. By 1943 bombing raids of German territory turned the tide.

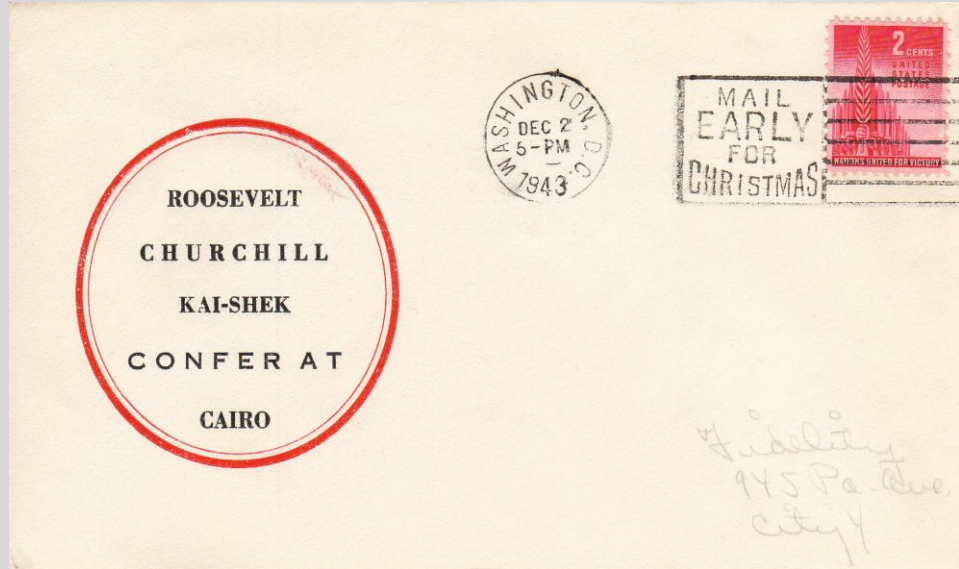


VICTORY ENVELOPES TRADE MARK
THE ADVERTISERS PRESS DES MOINES

Advertisers Press cachet

DECEMBER 2, 1943

The Cairo Conferences of November and December 1943 planned for the Normandy Invasion and discussed the goal of having Japan eventually stripped of all territorial gains as of 1914. *



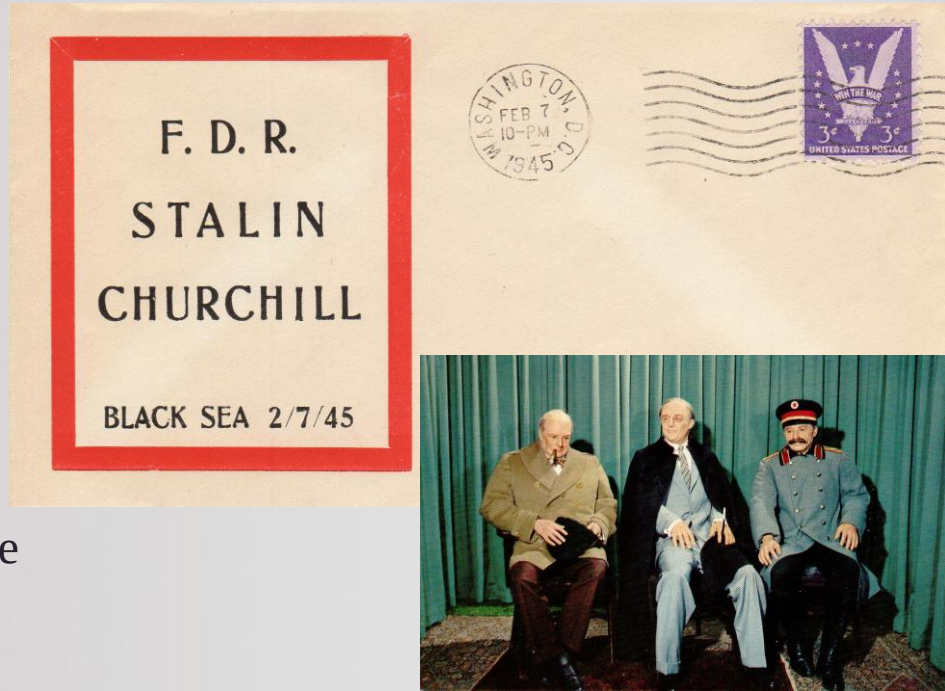
DECEMBER 4, 1943

The “Big Three” met a few days earlier, November 28-December 1 in Tehran, Iran, to strategize the opening of the second front in western Europe. *



FEBRUARY 7, 1945

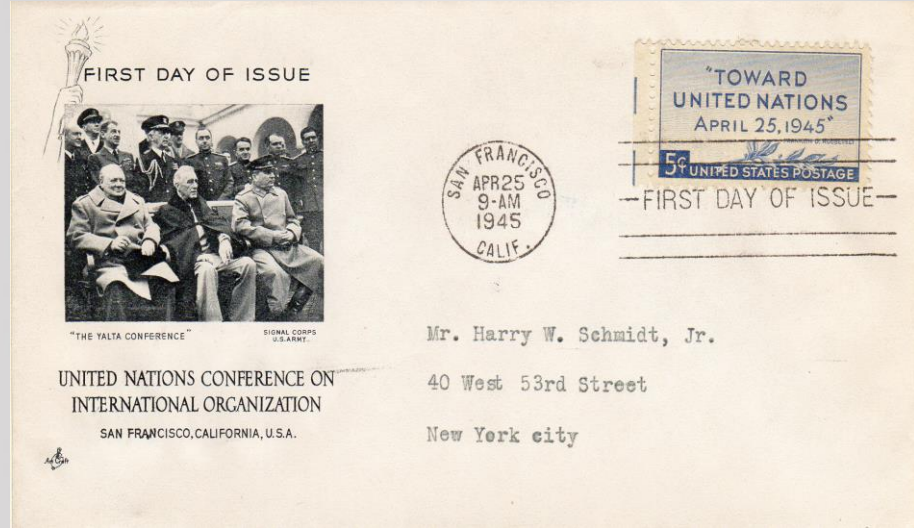
The Yalta Conference of the Big 3 took place February 4-11 in the Crimea with the Allies nearing assured victory in Europe and Russia encouraged to enter the war against Japan on the Pacific front.



National Historic Wax Museum post card

APRIL 25, 1945

U.S. first day cover of the “Toward United Nations” stamp taking place on the opening day of the UNCIO conference, considered the founding of the modern day UN. Over 50 countries sent representatives to the San Francisco gathering. *



Art Craft cachet

MAY 8, 1945

Commemorating “VE Day” for victory in Europe by the Allies. The day before Supreme Allied Commander Eisenhower accepted the unconditional surrender of German forces at his headquarters in Reims, France. *



Runge cachet series of Allied leader portraits

AUGUST 14, 1944

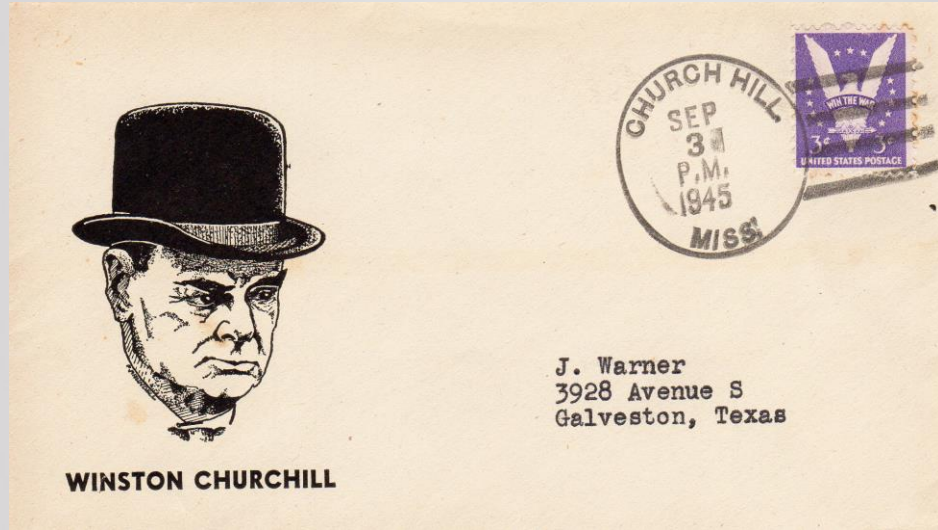
Patriotic cachet and
“Win the War” stamp
used on VJ Day for the
surrender of the
Japanese to Allied
forces, featuring
effigies of the three
victorious leaders,
Churchill, Roosevelt
and Stalin. *



Yontz cachet, seen used earlier by APO forces in Caserta, Italy, 1944

SEPTEMBER 3, 1945

Conservative Prime Minister Churchill lost the post-war U.K. election to Labour leader Clement Attlee on July 5, 1945. A September 3 New York Times article carried the text of Attlee's address on demobilization. *



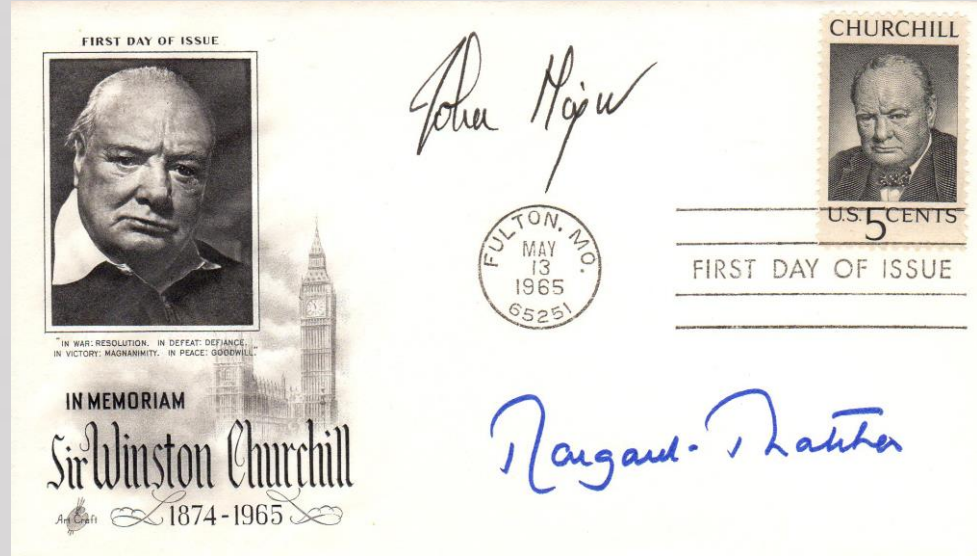
DECEMBER 7, 1945

Postmarked five years after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, this cover notes Churchill's status as the U.K.'s (and the Empire's) former Prime Minister.



Churchill 5¢ FDC

FDC cover
autographed by
Margaret Thatcher
(U.K. Prime
Minister 1979-1990)
and her successor,
John Major (U.K.
Prime Minister
1990-1997).



Art Craft cachet

Churchill 5¢ FDC

FDC cover
autographed by WWII
U.K. flying aces:
Harold Bird-Wilson
(9 victories), Neville
Duke (28 victories,
top North African
ace) and Johnny
Johnson (38 top
overall victories). *



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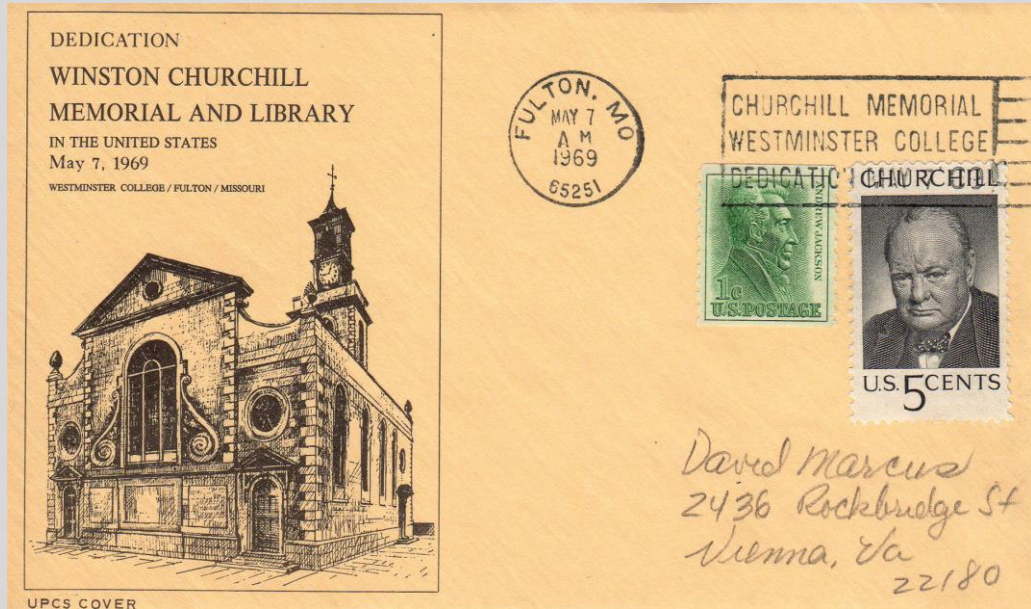
Churchill 5¢ FDC

Fulton, Missouri, site of Churchill's famous "Iron Curtain" speech at Westminster College and home of America's National Churchill Museum. * _



Commemorating Churchill

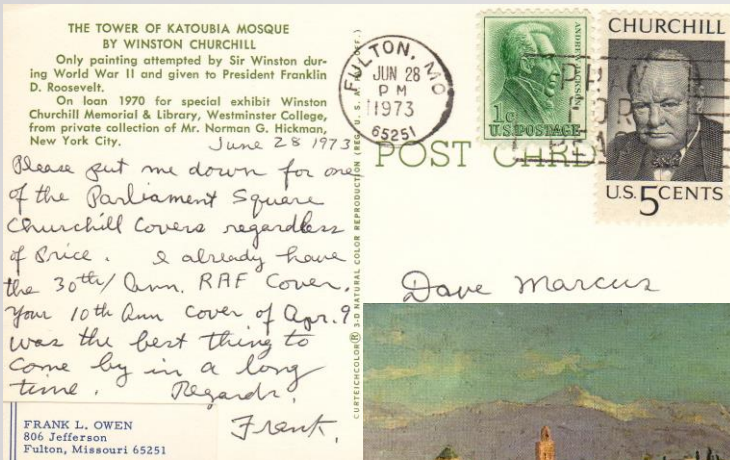
Dedication cover dated May 7, 1969 for the Churchill Memorial and Library at Westminster College with matching slogan cancel.



Universal Philatelic Cover Society (UPCS) cachet

Commemorating Churchill

“The Tower of Katoubia Mosque” painting by Churchill on loan to the college’s Churchill Memorial and Library. *

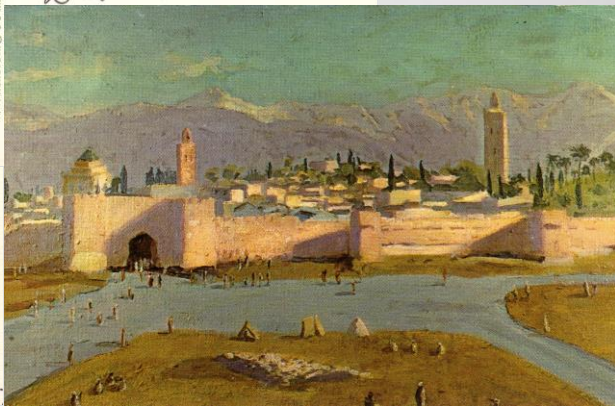


THE TOWER OF KATOUBIA MOSQUE
BY WINSTON CHURCHILL

Only painting attempted by Sir Winston during World War II and given to President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

On loan 1970 for special exhibit Winston Churchill Memorial & Library, Westminster College, from private collection of Mr. Norman G. Hickman, New York City.

June 28 1973



Commemorating Churchill

Thirtieth anniversary
cover for the second
Quebec Conference
held September 11-16,
1944, when the U.S.
and U.K. leaders
discussed post-war
German occupation
zones. *



FDR Philatelic Society cachet

Commemorating Churchill

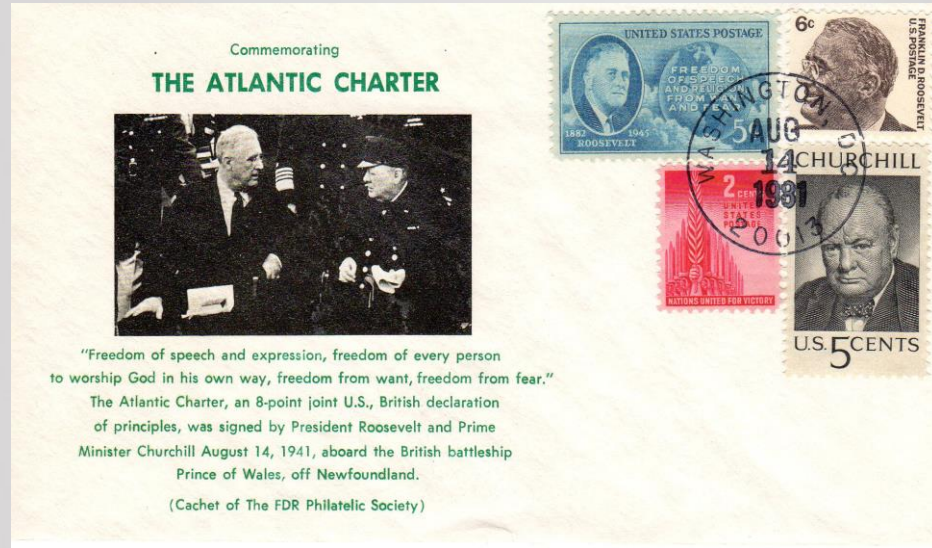
Fourtieth anniversary cover for the Atlantic Charter of August 12, 1941 of eight, “common principles in the national policies... which they base their hopes for a better future of the world” with NAS FPO cancel. * _



International Churchill Society cachet

Commemorating Churchill

Atlantic Charter 40th signing anniversary, August 14, 1981, referencing Roosevelt's 1941 State of the Union address mentioning the "Four Freedoms" of speech, worship, want and fear. *



FDR Philatelic Society cachet

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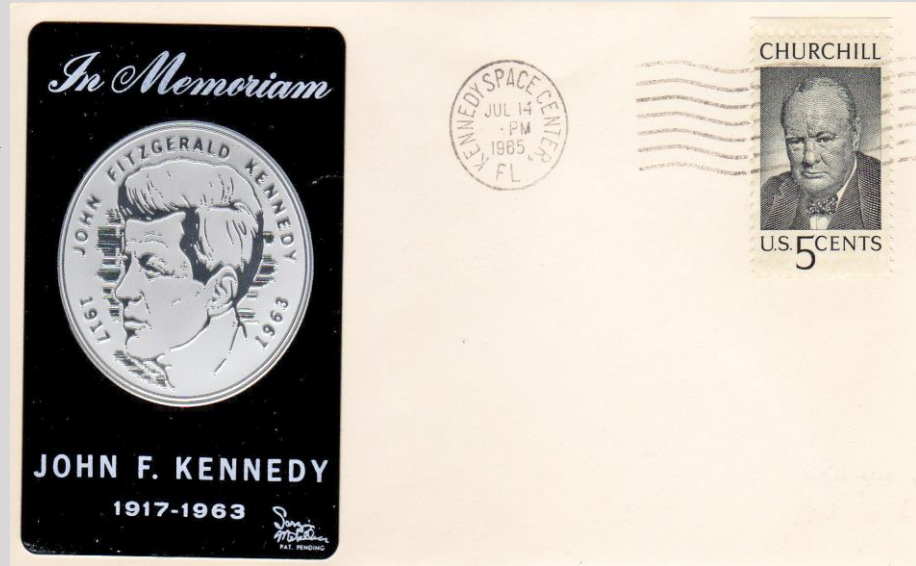
D-Day plus 40 years, August 3, 1984, with an image of Churchill and his Chiefs of Staff at Downing Street on Germany's surrender day. * _



Colorano silk cachet

Commemorating Churchill

Before his untimely death seven months later, President Kennedy awarded Churchill an honorary U.S. citizenship on April 9, 1963. * _ Cape Canaveral was renamed after Kennedy between 1963-1973. * _



Sarzin Medallion cachet

Commemorating Churchill

Churchill was the First Lord of the Admiralty until his appointment as a Battalion Commander in 1915 during World War I, later becoming the Minister of Munitions in 1917. *



G. Alexander cachet with copper token

Commemorating Churchill

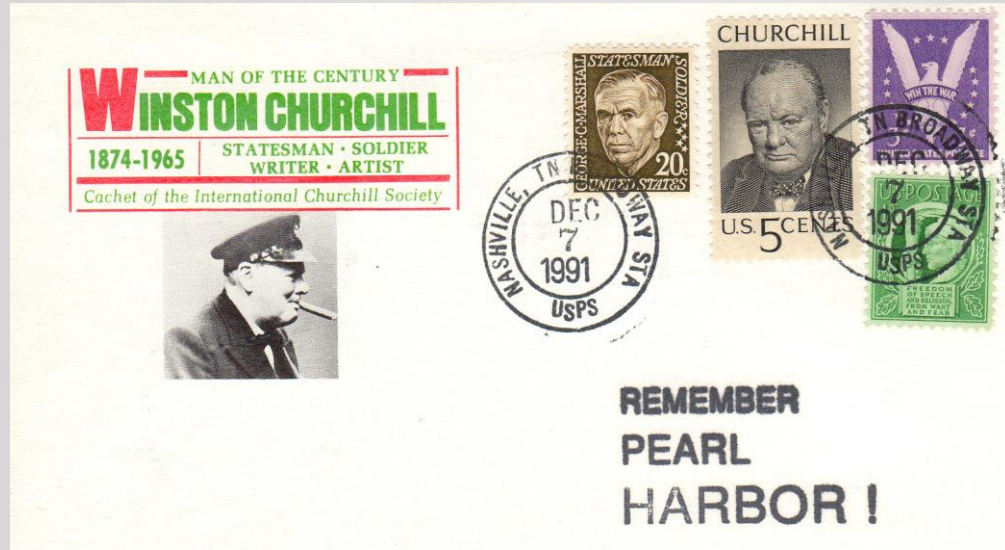
The 40th anniversary of the end of World War II is seen on this cached cover postmarked September 2, 1985 in Washington, D.C.



International Churchill Society and Arlington Supplies Ltd. cachet

Commemorating Churchill

Churchill and a hallmark cigar smoking photo on this cover cancelled on the 50th invasion anniversary of Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1991.



International Churchill Society cachet

Commemorating Churchill

Churchill is giving his famous “V for Victory” handsign along side President Truman and aide General Vaughn arriving by B&O train in Jefferson City, Missouri, on Churchill Day, March 5, 1946. *_

Callaway Express Train



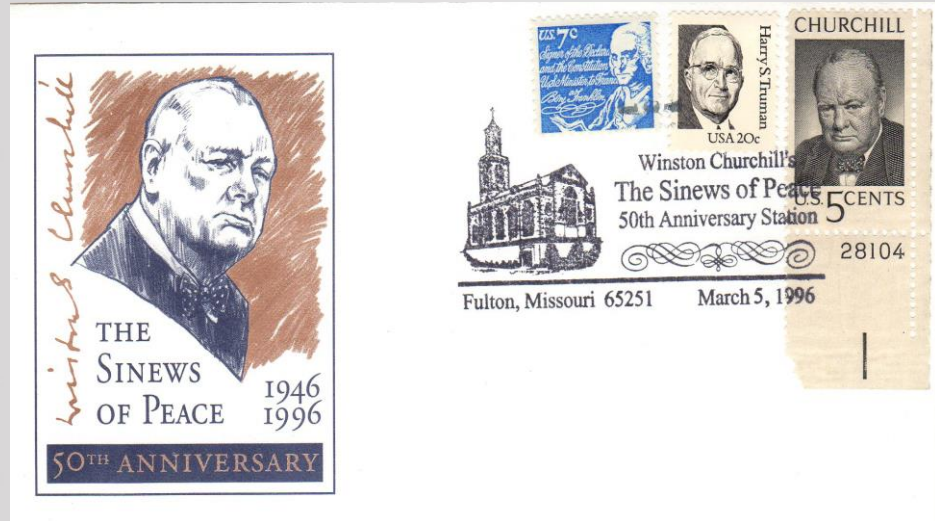
*Photo Courtesy of The Winston Churchill Memorial
Featured: Pres. Harry S. Truman, Henry Vaughn, and Winston Churchill*



*The First Annual
Express Train will run on
The Gateway Western Railroad
April 30 - May 1st, 1994*

Commemorating Churchill

The next stop after leaving Jefferson City was Fulton, MO, where Churchill's "Iron Curtain" speech took place, actually titled, "The Sinews of Peace." *



Commemorating Churchill

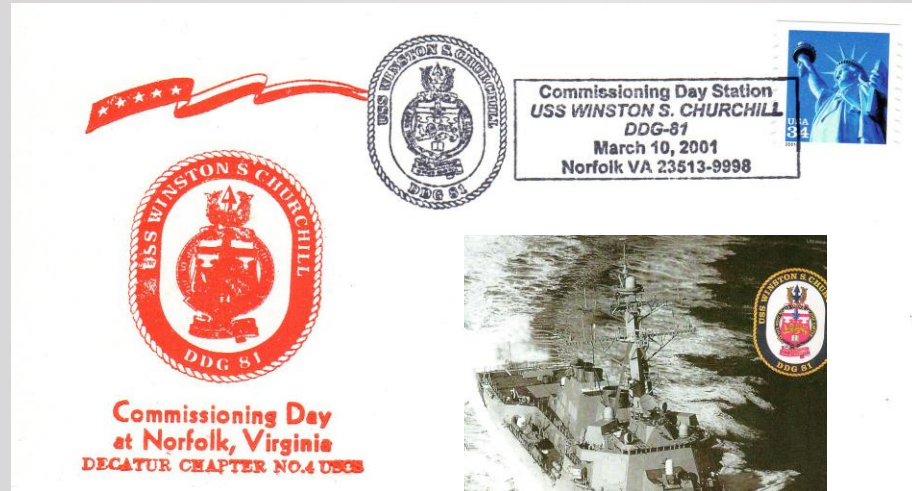
Launching of the U.S.S. Winston S. Churchill, the 31st Arleigh Burke-class guided missile destroyer from the Bath Iron Works took place on the 50th anniversary of the founding of NATO, April 17, 1999. * _



Churchill Center and Societies cachet

Commemorating Churchill

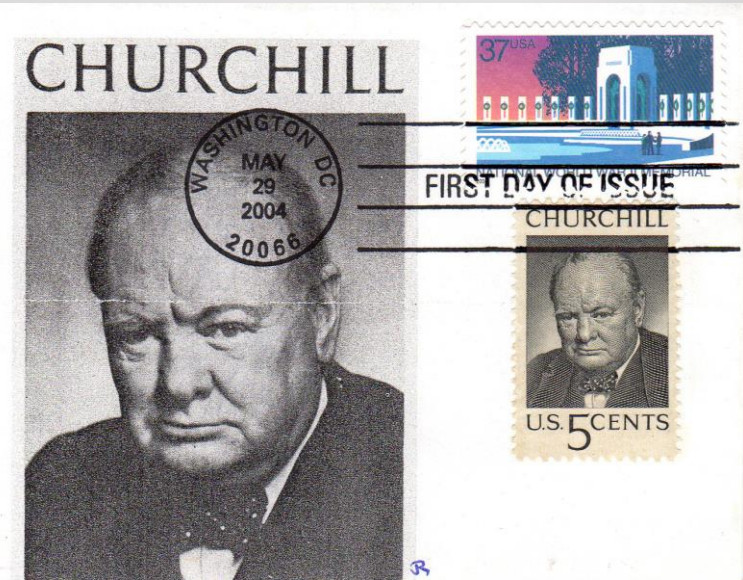
DDG-81 was commissioned on March 10, 2001 and is stationed at Norfolk, Virginia. It is the only U.S. Naval ship with a Royal Naval Exchange Officer permanently assigned to it. Where is it now? *_



*Universal Ship Cancellation Society Stephen Decatur Chapter Number 4 cachet (unlisted *_)*

Commemorating Churchill

Yousuf Karsh's famous "Angry Lion" 1941 portrait of a scowling Churchill was the basis for the US stamp, used here on the first day of the World War II Memorial issue of May 29, 2004. Karsh was from Ottawa, Canada. This cover was made from a 1965 folded Post Office announcement poster.



Thanks for Watching!

For more information, check out the
International Churchill Society's
Archives at:

<https://winstonchurchill.org/publications/finest-hour/> *

And here: <http://www.ronnei.com/> *

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