

KNOW YOUR COVERS!

US Navy Ships

This is one of the premier categories of the hobby. It's got everything--age, rarities, history, nostalgia, length, variety, etc. It's divided into two sub-categories: Pre-War (c. 1923-1941; 1184 currently listed) and Post-War (1945-present; 2136 currently listed); almost always collected by the Mensch and COMBINE Navy Ship catalog numbers.

Navy Ships is a very popular, but tough category; I don't know anyone that has all known covers, and a few unlisted covers still come to light each year. The U.S.S. Sirius (1923) was the first cover in this category. The Pre-War group includes lots of Federals and a handful of DQ's. James Willard, MD, reported having 2,765 as of August 2005.

