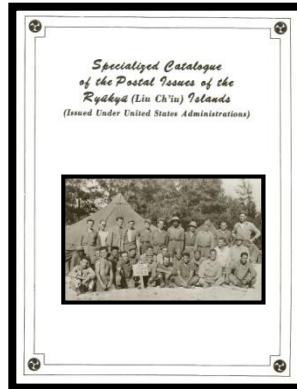


**Part VII: *Specialized Documents and Monographs*
Fascicles 1 to 5**

Early Histories of the Independent Postal Systems of the Ryukyu Islands

Long out of print, these five fascicles deal with the early development of several of the independent distinct postal systems (Kume Shima, Okinawa *Gunto*, Miyako *Gunto*, and Amami *Gunto*) which merged to form the postal service in the Ryukyu Islands. These five fascicles from the *Specialized Documents and Monographs* Part VII Series were digitalized in 2011 - 2012. All five fascicles have higher quality photographs, new photographs, and where possible color ones have been added to enhance the visual appearance of these versions. All of the fascicles were originally published in the 1980s. Fascicle 1 being published in 1981 Fascicle 2 in 1982, Fascicle 3 in 1983, Fascicle 4 in 1985, and Fascicle 5 in 1988.

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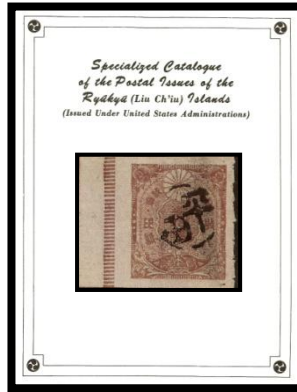


***War Diary of the Military Government Detachment Team B-101-X*
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Version 1.1, pages 57**

This work was produced by Lt. Lassiter, with the aid of Y2c R.A. Crutchfield, an abstract of his personal diary and covers the activities of the Detachment Team following September 1945 as a final report and supplemented in early December 1945 by Lt. Billie Caler, USNR. This fascicle shows the concerns and actions of the men assigned to this Detachment Team and provides an insight on the Detachment Team that was responsible for the issuance of the Kume Shima provisional stamp and the circulation of two notable sets of provisional military currency / chits.

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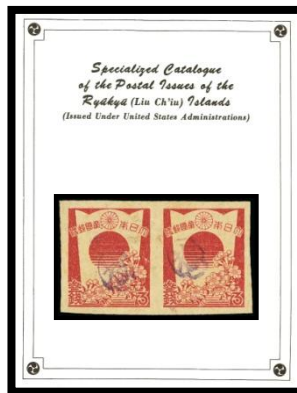


Immediate Postwar History of the Okinawa Postal Administration
Version 1.1, pages 105

This fascicle is from the manuscript and personal record of HIRATA Shiichi, the key figure in the formation of the postal system in Okinawa and his appointment as Head of the Okinawa Postal System. This record is the most expansive and important general source document from the early period in Okinawa. New to this version, in the Appendix, is the Japanese text version of the manuscript called *Shusen Chokugo no Okinawa Yusei Shi*, published in 1961.

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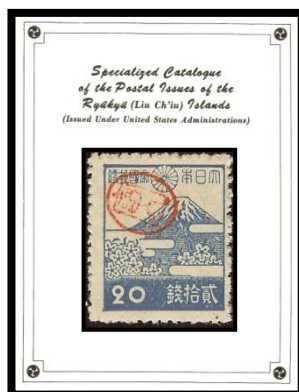


History of the Development of the Communications Service in Amami Oshima
after its Separation from Japan
Version 1.1, pages 65

This history was written and prepared by SHIGEMURA Kuniyoshi, then Postmaster of the Naze Central Post Office, this is the single most important surviving source of information on the growth and evolution of the postal system of the Amami *Gunto* in the years immediately following the end of World War II.

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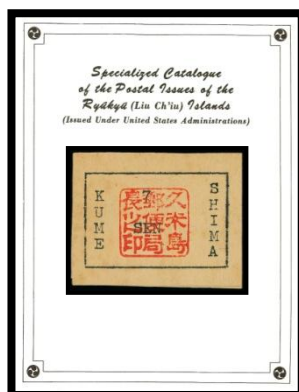


Miyako Island Postal History During and After the War
Version 1.1, pages 36

TOMIYAMA Jojin, then Postmaster of Miyako Island, is the author of the Postal History of the Miyako Island. His record covers the early years shortly before the end of the War until the unification of the postal system in 1950 and offering a view of the concerns important to the Postmaster of a large administrative district.

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