## Part V G. I. POSTAL SLOGANS

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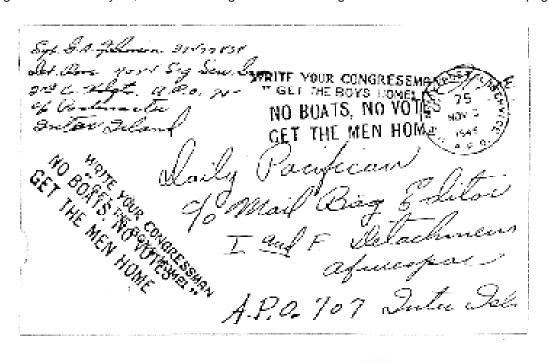
V-J Day was the end of World War II. It brought great joy to the free world. But not to many GI's, especially those stationed in the Philippines. At the termination of the war, GIs who saw action and had been stationed for quite a long time in this country, began drumming to go home, back to old U.S.A.

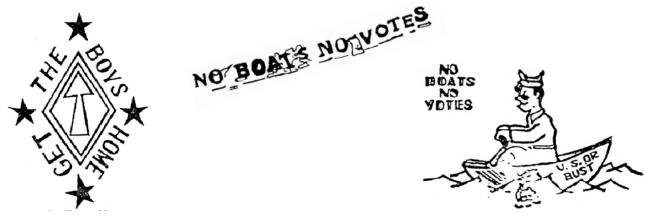
And who doesn't want to go home after all the blood and thunder one has experienced in different theaters of war operations?......... The GIs were right. There's no place like home!

But the glamor of the GIs seemed to be unheeded by the military high command. The reason advanced, there were no sufficient available ships to transport the soldiers back to the United States. And so, GIs long overdue to go home, had to stand by at replacement camps. Their standby was indefinite subject to available bottoms. But the GIs didn't like this. They wanted to go home, and quick! But whether they liked it or not, there was the post-war military red-tape.

Because of this military red-tape, the GIs enlisted the use of postal slogans. Used on the mails posted at different Army Post Offices or APOs, the postal slogans vociferous drummed the demand of the GIs. And here started the beginning of the GIs postal slogans in war-torn Philippines.

Sparkling with wit and humor, the GIs postal slogans were used from 1945 to January 1946. This was especially observed during the election year - the election for president in the U.S.A. - Truman vs. Dewey. Thus taking advantage of the election year, most of the slogans carried the legends as illustrated on the next pages.





The earliest date seen of these slogans was early in October 1945. The latest was in January 1946. Most of them were straight-lined types, but some were boxed and some were fancy. They were all applied by handstamped, mostly in black, but some in purple, in blue or red.

### G. I. POSTAL SLOGANS

GI-1)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 17, 1945 APO No. 718 (at that time in Cebu) DEAR MAC-IS 60 HIGHER THAN 80?

GI-2)

Earliest date seen: Dec. 15, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila) WHEN ARE WE GOING HOME

GI-3)

Earliest date seen: Jan. 17, 1946 APO No. 707 ARE CONGRESSMEN ELIGIBLE?

GI-4)

Earliest date seen: Dec. 14, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila) "... WAKE UP CONGRESS!!!"
GET ALL FATHERS HOME
IMMEDIATELY

OR NO VOTES

**GI-5**)

Earliest date seen: No date APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila) Type I NO BOATS - NO VOTES

**GI-6**)

Earliest date seen: Dec. 10, 1945 APO No. 715 Type I NO BOATS 2

**GI-7**)

Earliest date seen: Dec. 3, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila) Type II NO BOATS!

**GI-8**)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 16, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

Type III

NOBOATS GET US HOME !/

GI-9)

Earliest date seen: Dec. 22, 1945 APO No. 238 (at that time in Manila) Type IV DEOATS GET US HOME"

GI-10)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 6, 1945 APO No. 75 (At that time in Manila) LET'S GET THE TROOP'S HOHE

GI-11)

Earliest date seen: No date APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

GET THE TROOPS HOME

GI-12)

Earliest date seen: Illegible APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)



GI-13)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 27, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

Type I

GET THE TROOPS
HOME

GI-14)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 7, 1945 APO No. 73 (at that time in Batangas)

Type III

Get The Troops Home

GI-15)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 9, 1945 APO No. 73 (at that time in Batangas)

Type I

GET THE BOYS HOME FROM OVERSEAS

GI-16)

Earliest date seen: Oct. 25, 1945 APO No. 295 (at that time in Manila)

Type IV

GET THE TROOPS HOME

GI-17)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 6, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila) NO BOATS!

LETS GET THE TROOPS
HOME, NOW!

GI-18)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 18, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila) WIGET US HOME!!
NO'BOATS NO'VOTES

GI-19)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 15, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila) "HOME "

GI-20)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 19, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)



GI-21)

Earliest date seen: Oct. 21, 1945 APO No. 291 (at that time in Angeles)

Type II

GET THE BOYS HOME FROM OVER SEAS

GI-22)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 14, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

Type V

GET THE TROOPS HOME

GI-23)

Earliest date seen: Oct. 29, 1945

APO No. 74 (at that time in Clark Field, Luzon)

NO RECORD
MARITIME PERSONEL

GI-24)

Earliest date seen: Dec. 20, 1945

APO No. 72 (at that time in Tacloban, Leyte)

Type V

NO BOATS NO VOTES
GET US HOME

GI-25)

Earliest date seen: No date

APO No. 72 (at that time in Tacloban, Leyte)

SEND OUR
MEN HOME
NO BOATS
NO VOTES

GI-26)

Earliest date seen: Dec. 18, 1945

APO No. 707 Type II NOBOAT S

GI-27)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 23, 1945 22 BPO (at that time in Manila)

Type III

NO BOAT

GI-28)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 11, 1945 APO No. 318 (at that time in Leyte)



GI-29)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 7, 1945 APO No. 73 (at that time in Batangas)

Type IV

NO BOATS NO VOTES

GI-30)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 7, 1945

APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

Type V

NO BOATS-NO VOTES

GI-31)

Earliest date seen: No date

APO No. 932 (at that time in Leyte)

Type VI

NO BOAT NO VOTE

GI-32)

Earliest date seen: No date

APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

NO BOATS NO VOTES

GI-33)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 12, 1945

APO No. 450 Type VIII NO BOATS NO VOTES

GI-34)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 15, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

Type IX

NO BOATS NO VOTES

GI-35)

Earliest date seen: Dec. 4, 1945

APO No. 70 (at that time in San Fernando, La Union)

Туре Х

NO; BOATS

NO VOTES

GI-36)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 8, 1945 APO No. 73 (at that time in Batangas)

Type XI

NO BOATS NO VOTES

GI-37)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 6, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila) GET US HOME

- \* SEND \* 
MORE SHIPS

GI-38)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 16, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

Type III

GET THE BOYS HOME FROM

OVERSEAS

GI-39)

Earliest date seen: Dec. 4, 1945 APO No. 718 (at that time in Cebu)

Type VII



GI-40)

Earliest date seen: Oct. 24, 1945 APO No. 73 (at that time in Batangas) LETS GET THE SOLDIERS HOME FROM OVERSEAS QUICK

GI-41)

Earliest date seen: No date

APO No. 900 (at that time in Manila)



GI-42)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 7, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

Type IV

GET THE BOYS HOME FROM OVERSEAS

GI-43)

Earliest date seen: Oct. 26, 1945 APO No. 73 (at that time in Batangas) Type V

GET THE BOYS HOME FROM OVERSEAS

GI-44)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 14, 1945 APO No. 1006 (at that time in San Fernando, La Union) GET THE OVERSEAS BOYS HOME!

GI-45)

Earliest date seen: Oct. 27, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)



GI-46)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 16, 1945 APO No. 238 (at that time in Manila) Type VI MEDIATS!

GI-47)

Earliest date seen: Oct. 27, 1945 APO No. 358 (at that time in Manila) SEND US HOME"

ANY SHIP WILL DO

GI-48)

Earliest date seen: No date APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila) Type I



GI-49)

Earliest date seen: Oct. 24, 1945 APO No. 238 (at that time in Manila) Type II



GI-50)

Earliest date seen: Dec. 8, 1945 APO No. 500 (at that time in Manila) NO BOATS!
WE SHALL RETURN

GI-51)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 1, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila) Type XII

NO BOATS, NO VOTES

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### GI-52)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 9, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

Note: Slogan illustrating the "Golden Gate 48 OFF Limits", the slogan and illustration prepared by

crayon.



### GI-53)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 1, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

# I SHALL RETURN

## GI-54)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 20, 1945 APO No. 435 NO BOATS-NO VOTES
WGET US HOME!!

#### GI-55)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 8, 1945 APO No. 70 (at that time in san Fernando, La Union)

# HOME WRITE YOUR CONGRESSMEN

### GI-56)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 7, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila) GET THE MEN HOME FROM OVERSEAS

### GI-57)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 24, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

# CONGRESSMEN

NOBOATS NO VOTES

### GI-58)

Earliest date seen: Jan. 18, 1946 APO No. 707 WRITE YOUR CONGRESSMAN!

### **GI-59**

Earliest date seen: Nov. 2, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila) WRITE YOUR CONGRESSMAN GET THE BOYS HOME! "

### GI-60)

Earliest date seen: Dec. 20, 1945 APO No. 358 (at that time in Manila) Type III GET THE BOYS HOME

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"GET THE BOY'S HOME"

Earliest date seen: Jan. 8, 1946

APO No. 450

SPEED US HOME

GI-62)

Earliest date seen: No date

APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

Type IV

GI-63)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 8, 1945 APO No. 238 (at that time in Manila)

Type I

LET'S GET THE BOYS HOME!

GI-64)

Earliest date seen: No date

APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

Type I

GET THE BOYS HOME NO BOATS NO VOTES

GI-65)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 18, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

Type I

LETS GET THE BOYS HOME NO BOATS - NO VOTES

GI-66)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 1, 1945

APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

Type VI

GET THE BOYS HOME FROM OVERSEAS

GI-67)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 23, 1945

APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

Type II

GETS GET THE BOYS HOME , NO BOATS NO VOTES .

GI-68)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 8, 1945

APO No. 238 (at that time in Manila)

Type II

LETS GET THE BOYS HOME:

GI-69)

Earliest date seen: Dec. 5, 1945

APO No. 74 (at that time in Clark Air Base) and

APO No. 198 (at that time in San Marcelino, Zambales)

Type II

GET THE BOYS HOME

GI-70)

Earliest date seen: Dec. 7, 1945

APO No. 711

WE DID OUR PARTS DO YOURS NO BOATS!

GI-71)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 8, 1945

APO No. 73 (at that time in Batangas)

WE'VE DONE OUR DUTY NOW DO YOURS! HELP GET THE BOYS HOME NO BOATS NO VOTES

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GI-72)

Earliest date seen: Dec. 5, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila) CONGRESSIONAL DELINGUINCY
LACKS BOUYANCY
WE WANT BOATS

GI-73)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 7, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

Type XIII

NO BOATS

GI-74)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 7, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

Type V

"GET THE BOY'S HOME"

GI-75)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 16, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

Type I

NO BOATS!

GI-76)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 15, 1945

APO No. 450 Type II NOBOATS!

GI-77)

Earliest date seen: Dec. 15, 1945 APO No. 238 (at that time in Manila)

Type III

NO BOATS - NO VOTES

GI-78)

Earliest date seen: Jan. 6, 1946

APO No. 70 (at that time in San Fernando,

La Union) Type IV MOSDATS!

GI-79)

Earliest date seen: Jan 8, 1946 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

Type V

GET OS HOME NO BOATS!

GI-80)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 27, 1945

APO No. 353 (at that time in Del Carmine)

Type VI

GET USHOME NOVSTE**S:** 

GI-81)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 13, 1945

APO No. 37 (at that time in Cabanatuan)

Type VII

MOVOTES!

GI-82)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 16, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

Type VIII

NO BOAT S!

GI-83)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 24, 1945

APO No. 70 (at that time in San Fernando, La Union)

Type IX

NO POPES!

GI-84)

Earliest date seen: Jan. 4, 1946

APO No. 450 Type X NO NO STES!

GI-85)

Earliest date seen: Jan. 23, 1946 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila) STICK NITH MAC A! NEVER GET BACK

GI-86)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 17, 1945 APO No. 718 (at that time in Cebu) GET-THESE BOYS-HOME

GI-87)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 30, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

Type XI

NO VOTES!

GI-88)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 24, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

Type XII

NO BOAT S!

GI-89)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 24, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

Type XIII

NOBOAT S

GI-90)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 26, 1945 APO No. 73 (at that time in Batangas) GET THE BOYS HOME FROM OVERSEAS QUICK

GI-91)

Earliest date seen: Oct. 26, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

Type VI

GET THE BOYS HOME

GI-92)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 3, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila) WRITE YOUR CONGRESSMAN NO BOATS, THE GOVERNMEN THE MEN HOME

GI-93)

Earliest date seen: Oct. 26, 1945 APO No. 75 (at that time in Manila)

Type XIV

NO BOATS VOTES

GI-94)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 17, 1945 APO No. 718 (at that time in Cebu)

Type XV

NO-BOATS NO-VOTES

GI-95)

Earliest date seen: Nov. 24, 1945

APO No. 198 (at that time in San Marcelino, Zambales)



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# **MANUSCRIPT TYPES**

In addition to the handstamped types, there were also several slogans written in manuscript and among their legends, there are such as:

<b>1)</b> Break the Discharge Bottleneck	2) No! Ships No Plans No Votes
3) No! Votes You Dope	<b>4)</b> Where Ships Where Planes Where Votes
<b>5)</b> "Fighting Troops Deserves a Break"	6) 33 mo. Overseas 80 Points Still Waiting
7) "Get the Fathers Home"!	8) Lets get the troops home
9) No Boats * No Votes!! Get the Boys Home Now!!	<b>10)</b> "Gotta Get Going" Home
<b>11)</b> Get the Boys Home	<b>12)</b> One of First Over-Last Home "No Boats No Votes"
13) Stick with Mac and Never Get Back	<b>14)</b> We Shall Return ????
<b>15)</b> Get the Troops Home 88 Pointers Still Here	<b>16)</b> "Get the Troops Home"
17) Help Get Us Home	18) If Not Delivered in 4277 Days Send it Back I'll Still be Here No Boat? Then Send a Wheel Chair
<b>19)</b> Get the High Point Men Home First Why Not Now!	<b>20)</b> Return Fathers To Their Families They Need us Now
21) L.E.F.T.P.A.C.  Looking Everyday for Transports, Planes and Carriers	<b>22)</b> "We're Stíll Here!"
23) "Buy a Bond Keep Us Gone"	<b>24)</b> No Boats No Votes

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**25)** The Biggest AIR FORCE The Biggest NAVY A-1 99 GAG! Can't Get Home

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Note: These slogans, however, were not slogan cancels, but plain postal slogans, used at different APOs. All illustrations are in their original sizes.



GI-69, November 24, 1945 - APO No.198 - San Marcelino (Zambales), Luzon