

U.S.S. SEA POACHER (SS406)
c/o Fleet Post Office, New York, N.Y.

9 September 1944.

The Mayor,
Provincetown,
Massachusetts.

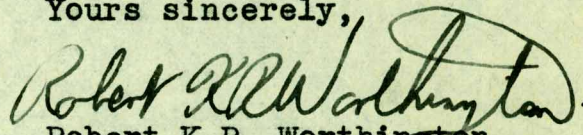
Dear Sir:

On the night of 8 September, 1944, a man from this ship damaged a light on the municipal pier in Provincetown. The man desires to pay for necessary repairs, his act being a result of overindulgence, not of maliciousness.

Enclosed please find my check for five dollars (\$5.00), which I trust will cover repair expenses. If the amount is insufficient please notify me.

It is unfortunate that this matter has occurred to mar the goodwill between your townspeople and our men. I trust you will accept our sincere apologies and assurances that there will be no more such occurrences.

Yours sincerely,


Robert K.R. Worthington,
Lieutenant Commander, U.S.N.,
Executive Officer.

TOWN OFFICE
PROVINCETOWN, MASSACHUSETTS

25 September 1944

Lieut. T. W. Porter
Officer-in-Charge
US Naval Mine Test Facilities
Provincetown, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

It has been brought to the attention of this board that some person, or persons, have complained to your District Commandant relative to the town authorities having trouble with the personnel of your unit. The report, which is unofficial, specifies that the men are unruly and have been drinking to excess.

This Board emphatically wishes to go on record as denying any such unwarranted charges and hereby states that you and your entire personnel have always been orderly and cooperative with all town authorities. In fact, we intend to write your immediate superior office a letter of commendation for the splendid and helpful assistance to the town during and after the hurricane. There is positively no report whatsoever which would support any such false charges against any member of your unit and we stand ready to testify to this effect before any board of inquiry or investigating authority.

We occasionally have had trouble with liberty parties from various large Naval craft on brief temporary duty in this area but always managed to handle corrective measures locally through commanding officers of the craft in question.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Irving S. Rogers