

Kuopio Censor Signatures

This list is based on the work of Reijo Tanner, who wrote an article for “Suomen Postimerkkilehti” 03/2019.



His study is based on signatures on censor-ship documents found in the National Ar-chives, which was held against list of censors from early 1915. Some of the names on Tanners list are veri-fied, others with some extend guessing.

The practice of letting the censor write his personal number by hand, instead of his name or signature is unique for Kuopio. The major challenge by collecting censor signatures is that the censor may change his signature during the period of use.

Въ гор. Куопио:		1	Uggla Petr Aleksandrovits
Подполковникъ Уггла		2	Wikström Alvar Vasiljevits
Почтовый чиновн. Викстремъ		3	Horttanainen Ivan Ivanovits Jussi
» Гарттанайненъ		4	Hämäläinen Erkko Erkovits
» Хямялайненъ		5	Liikanen Olav Ottonovits Olli
» Лансовирта		6	Laaksovirta Solmu Ferdinandovits Knut?
» Лутоненъ		7	Hammarin Allan Oskarovits
» Рюханенъ		8	Autonen Ivan Aleksandrovits
» Хаммаринъ		9	Ryhänen Karl ivanovits Kaarlo
» Лййконенъ		10	Liukkonen Alvar Salominats
		11	Pulkkinen Hjalmar Kulovits Jalmar
		12	Liikkanen Karl Semenovits
		13	Schischkin
		14	A. Kornilov (Philea 324)

This list in Cyrillic from the Natuonal Archives shows the leader of the office Uggla, and the name of 8 censors, and Reijo Tan-ners list of names to the right

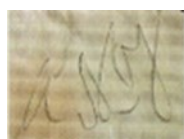
.The censors at Kuopio marked the covers by signing their initials (INI), signatures (SIG), or in a period by writing their censor number (NUM). The up to three different markings from each censor is a challenge for the collector.

Kuopio Censor Signatures

No. 01, Censor Uggla, Head of the office

17 Oct. 1914

INI



17 Oct. 1914

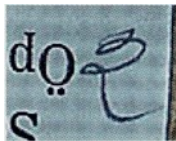


Early initial 17 Oct. 1914 of No. 01, Censor Uggla, Head of the Kuopio office, on top of CT - writing in middle of cover seems to be a message not relating to censorship.

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No. 02, Censor Wikström, A.

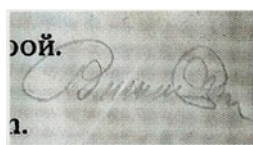
NUM



4 Jan 1915

INI

SIG



Signature Nummeral "2" here used on 4 Jan 1915, this was the number for censor Wikström., EKU

Kuopio Censor Signatures

No. 3, Censor Horttanainen

Period of use: 22 Apr. 1915 – 7 Jul. 1915

NUM

INI



SIG

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nsuurin avaama.
af krigscensuren.

22 Apr. 1915

The signature of censor
No. 3, Horttanainen, on CT
type A, (CT not used for
closing cover) Kuopio 22
Apr. 1915

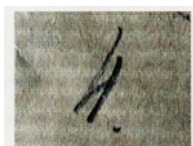


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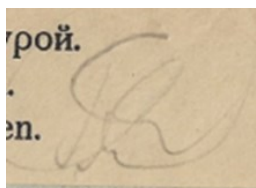
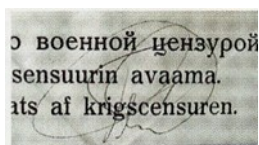
No. 4, Censor Liikanen, Olov

Period of use: 1 Apr. 1915 – 30 Jul. 1915

NUM



INI



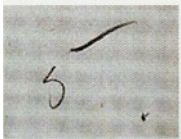
SIG

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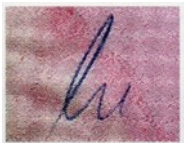
No. 05, Censor Liikanen, Olov

Period of use: 1 Apr.1915 – 30 Jul.1915

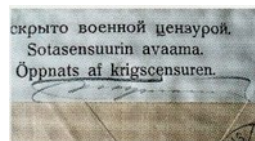
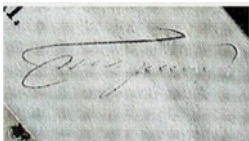
NUM



INI



SIG

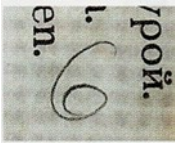


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No. 6, Censor Laaksovirta, K.

Period of use: 22 Mar. 1915 – 13 Sep. 1915

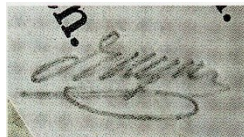
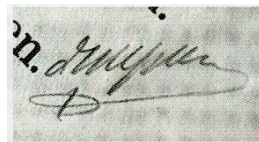
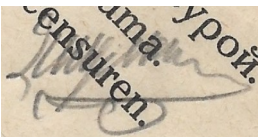
NUM



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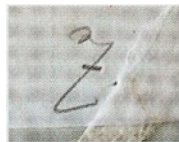
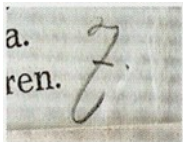


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No. 7, Censor Hammarin, A.

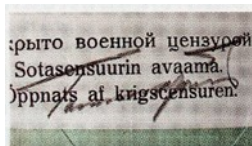
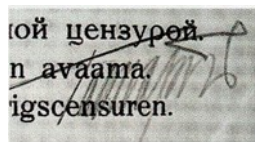
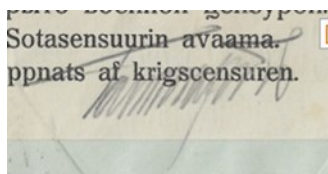
Period of use: 22 Mar.1915 – 19 Sep.1915

NUM

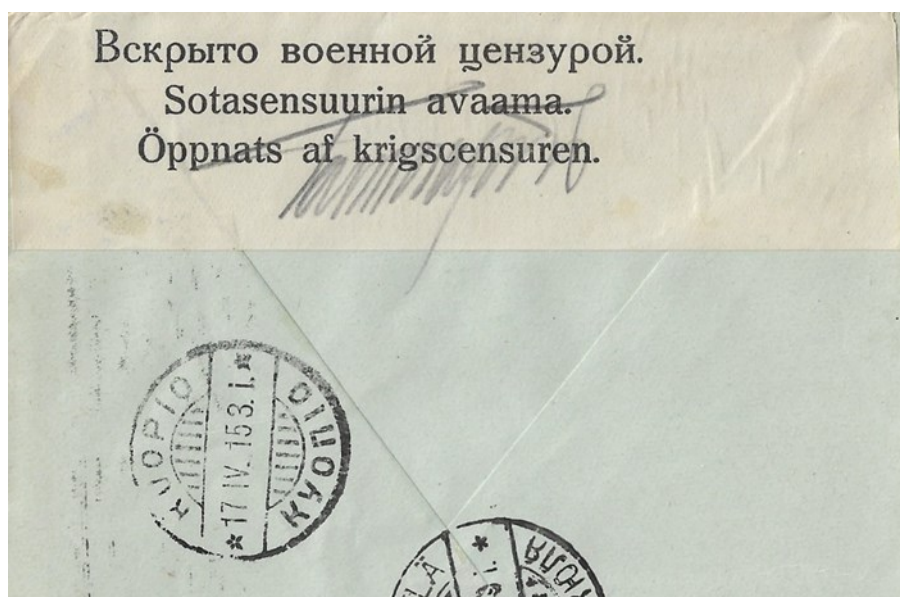


INI

SIG



17 IV 1915



Signature of A. Hammarin, from 17 Apr. 1915, this is the early version

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No. 8, Censor Autonen, E.

Period of use: 25 Mar. 1915 – 5 Sep. 1915

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19 VIII 1915

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19 VIII 1915



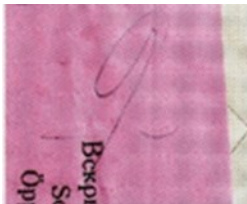
E. Autonens signature from 19 Aug. 1915

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No. 09, Censor Ryhanen, K.

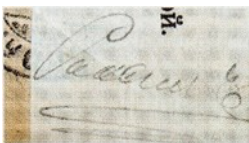
Period of use: 21 Mar. 1915 to 25 Jun. 1915

NUM



INI

SIG

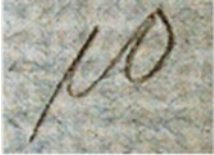


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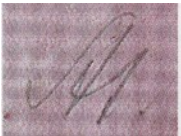
No. 10, Censor Liukkonen, A.

Period of use: 03 Jun. 1915 to 10 Jul. 1915,

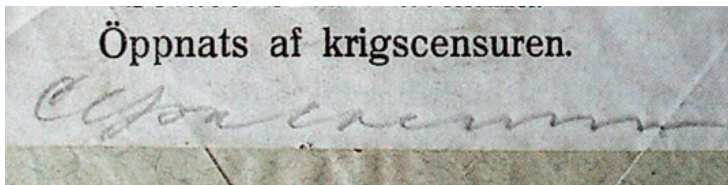
NUM



INI



SIG



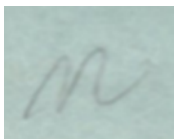
Öppnats af krigscensuren.

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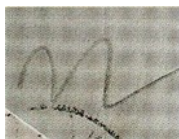
No. 11, Censor Puilkkinen, H.

Period of use: 31 Oct. 1914 to 14 Sep. 1915

NUM

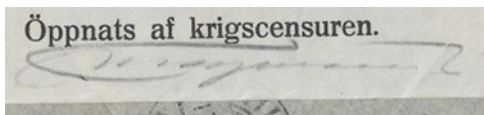


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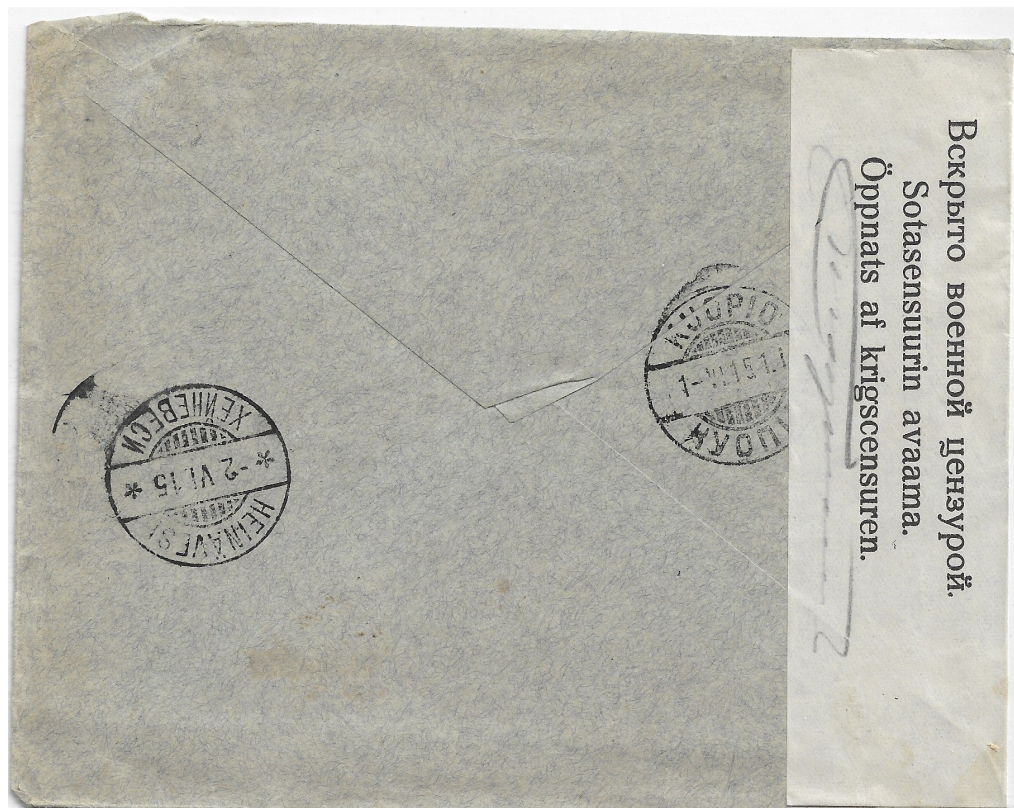
INI

SIG



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*H. Puilkkinens signature
from 1 Jun. 1915*



Kuopio Censor Signatures

No. 11, Censor Puilkkinen, H.

Period of use: 31 Oct. 1914 to 14 Sep. 1915



*H. Puilkkinen's initial signature "N" from 31 Oct. 1914.
Here on insured letter which is very unusual.*

Kuopio Censor Signatures

H.

No. 12, Censor Liikanen, Karl

Period of use: 25 Mar. 1915 to Jul. 10 Jul. 1915

Puilkkinens signature from 1 Jun. 1915

NUM

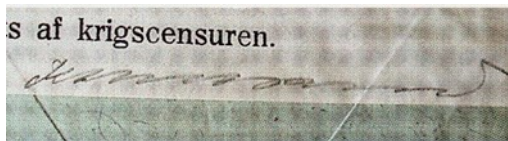
H. Puilkkinens initial signature "N" from 31 Oct. 1914.

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INI



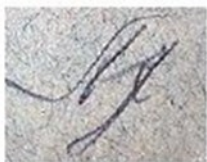
SIG



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Censor X-1, unknown

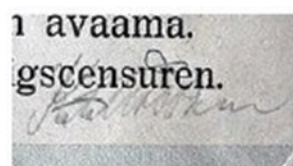
INI

A handwritten signature in dark ink on a light-colored, textured paper. The signature is stylized and appears to be a cursive representation of the letters 'H' and 'J'.

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Censor X-2, unknown

SIG

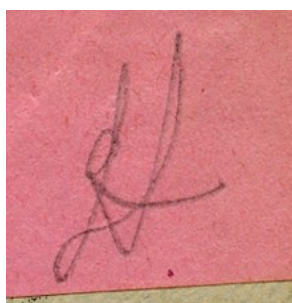
A handwritten signature in dark ink on a light-colored, textured paper. The signature is written over printed text that reads "1 avaama." and "gscensuren.".

Kuopio Censor Signatures

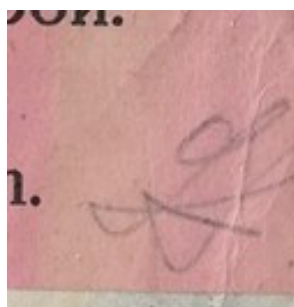
Censor X-3, unknown

Period of use: 13 Jan. 1915 to 22 Jan. 1915

INI

A handwritten signature in dark ink on a red, textured paper. The signature is stylized and appears to be a cursive representation of the letters 'H' and 'J'.

13.I.15

A handwritten signature in dark ink on a red, textured paper. The signature is stylized and appears to be a cursive representation of the letters 'H' and 'J'.

22.I.15