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Japanese  
"Nurses" (from the series  
"Thousand Contemporary  
Figures")

## VISUALIZING CULTURES: POSTCARDS FROM THE RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR

(1904-05)

**Editor's Note:** New *EAA* subscribers might not be aware of *Visualizing Cultures*, founded in 2002 by Massachusetts Institute of Technology Professors Shigeru Miyagawa and John Dower. *Visualizing Cultures*, which uses technology to blend images, video, and text into superb interactive teaching units, is the source for all the graphics in this photo spread. Readers interested in the Russo-Japanese War are particularly encouraged to explore the units titled "Throwing off Asia," "Asia Rising," and "Yellow Promise/Yellow Peril." These are on the "Visualizing Cultures" Web site at <http://ocw.mit.edu/ans7870/21f/21f.027j/menu/index.html>.



Uncle Sam Sitting on a Big Purse  
Attacked by Tiny Japanese Soldiers.

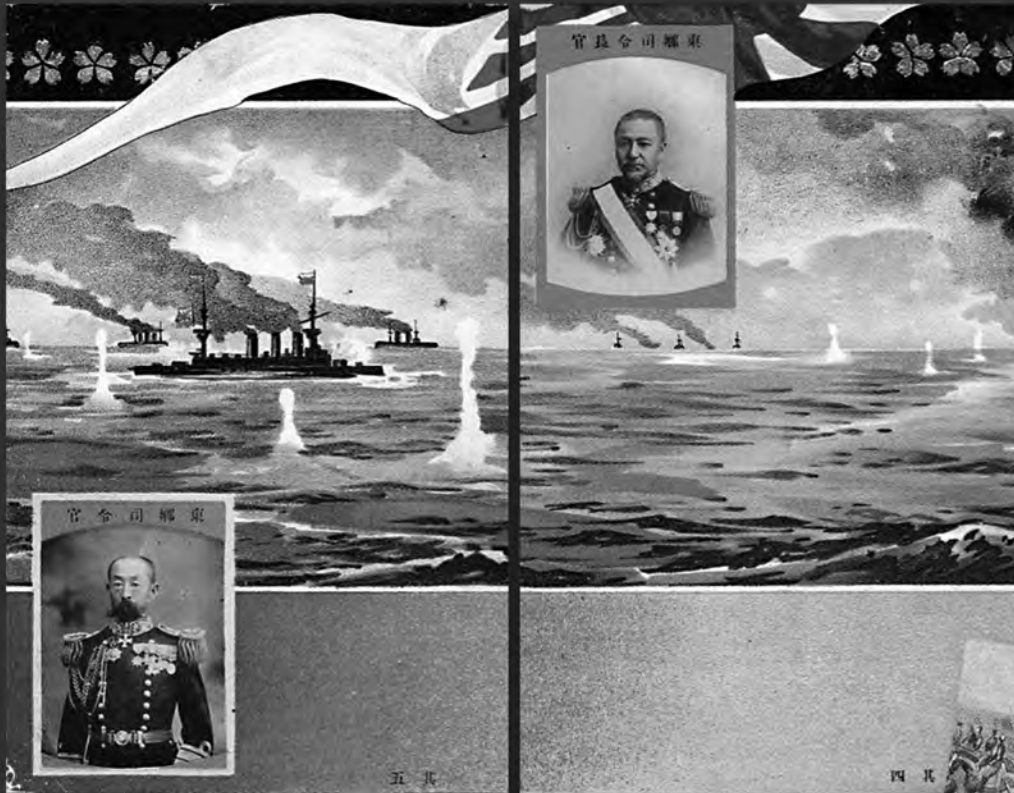
Russian text:

*There were a few coppers,  
But they had to buy galoshes  
So as not to catch a cold  
If they stepped in the mud.  
So all the money, bit by bit,  
They were forced to squander  
Before reaching the Yalu River,  
And their coffers were bare.  
There is, we suppose, "Uncle Sam,"  
But he won't give money voluntarily  
And so the "warriors" go after  
Another purse . . .*

British, "Now I Have to 'Russia' about"



From an Italian series on Port Arthur published by Rodolfo Falb, Siena  
The Japanese kick the Russians out.



Commemorating a Great Battle

The Battle of the Japan Sea by Saitō Shōshū, 1904–1905  
Designed by Saitō Shōshū and made up of ten cards. Two of the cards are shown here:

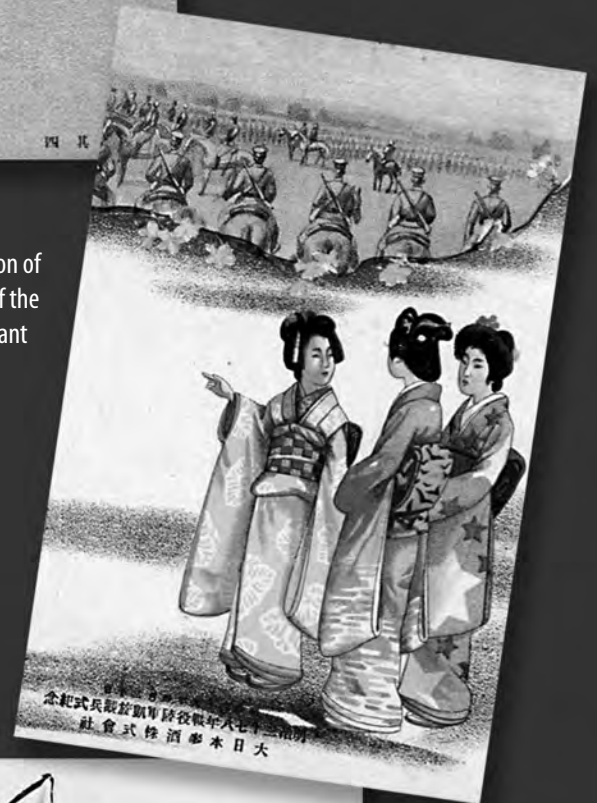
Left: "The Battle of the Japan Sea with General Tōgō, #5"

Right: "The Battle of the Japan Sea with Admiral Tōgō, #4"



"Rising Sun, Cherry Blossoms, and Eagle"

"Commemoration of the Ceremony of the Army's Triumphant Return"



"Russian General Showing off his Saint Andrew Flag to a Japanese General in the Distance"





“Japanese soldier challenging Russian soldier, urged on by an Englishman and Uncle Sam” (from a series by Georges Bigot)

Images from the Leonard A. Lauder Collection of Japanese Postcards at the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
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Below: “The Russo-Japanese War” (German)



Above: “The Dream of a Japanese” by Georges Bigot .  
Russian text:  
*In your dreams you own the planet,  
And all of mankind you'll conquer.  
But if you don't manage to wake up right now,  
You'll fly off the face of the Earth.*



Middle, right: “Make Way for the Yellows” by Mille.



Bottom right: “Roosevelt: Assez!—Enough!—Genug!” by T. Bianco.