



Stamps and Postal History



Queen Elizabeth II



Northern Rhodesia





Internet Map of Northern Rhodesia.

Commemorative Stamps for the 'Central African - Rhodes Centenary – Exhibition' held in Bulawayo, Southern Rhodesia. Issued 30/5/53.



Waterlow & Sons Limited, London Wall, London, E.C.

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Printer's Imprint with Plate No. 1.

Printed on 'Off White Paper.

Stamps printed by Waterlow & Sons.

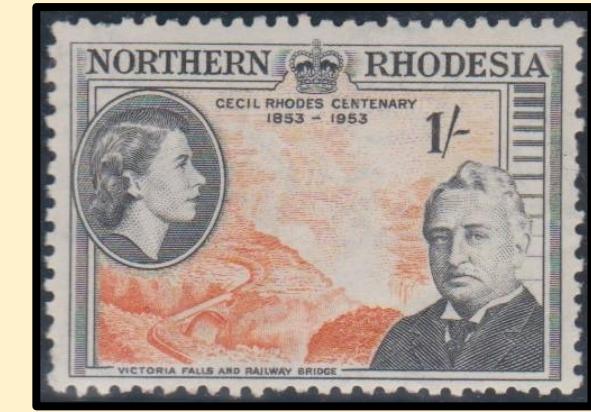
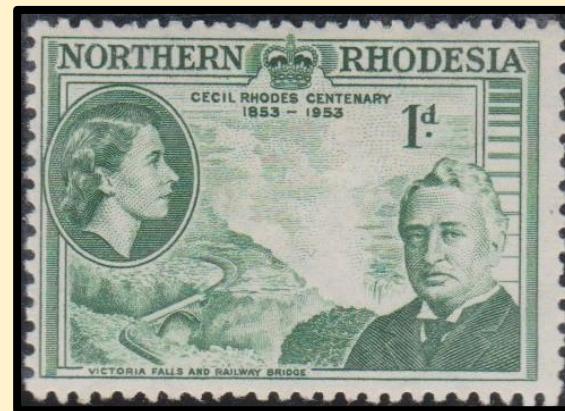


Waterlow & Sons Limited, London Wall, London, E.C.

Enlarged Printer's Imprint on White Paper.

Note guide for Perforation Pin.

Birth Centenary of Cecil Rhodes 1853 – 1953 – Stamps issued 30/5/53.



Shades.

Stamps printed by De La Rue on paper watermarked Multiple Script C A.

Birth Centenary of Cecil Rhodes 1853 – 1953 – Stamps issued 30/5/53.



CECIL



FALLS AND RAILWAY

The 'C' Flaw on 1/2d and Multiple re-entry on 1/-.

Birth Centenary of Cecil Rhodes 1853 – 1953 – Stamps issued 30/5/53.



Major re-entry on 'A' & 'R' - stamp 10/6.

Printer's Imprint, Plate Numbers and re-entry on 10/6.

Bottom right hand stamp of 1B.



Birth Centenary of Cecil Rhodes 1853 – 1953 – Stamps issued 30/5/53.



Printer's Imprint, Plate Numbers
and Perforation Guide.



Birth Centenary of Cecil Rhodes 1853 – 1953 – Stamps issued 30/5/53.

Forgeries – These stamps are not known in mint condition.



The $\frac{1}{2}$ d and 1d stamps were overprinted by typewriter by the postal clerk at Mkushi under supervision of the District Officer H. R. Beck, to overcome a shortage of Postage Due stamps due to an increase in the internal surface rate from $1\frac{1}{2}$ d to 2d (1/7/53). Only known used from July – September 1953. Due to being hand typed, all settings are different and unknown in mint condition.

Birth Centenary of Cecil Rhodes 1853 – 1953 – Stamps issued 30/5/53 – Mkushi 1d Provisional Postage Due.



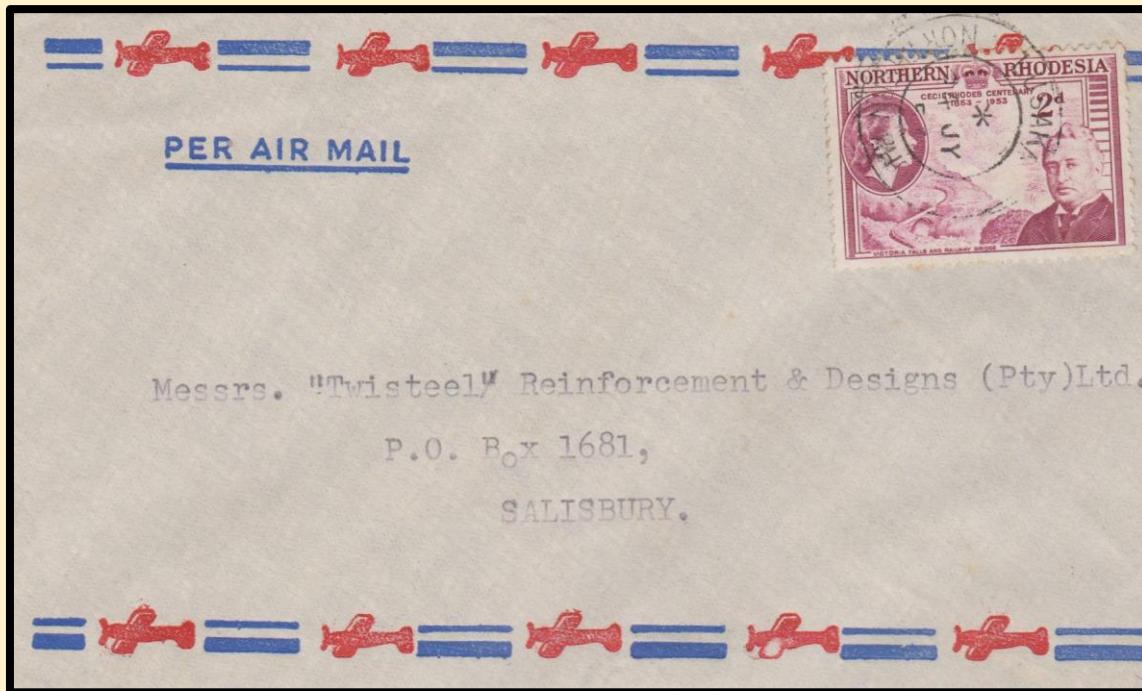
Enlarged portion of genuine stamp.
Note 'G' lower than 'A'.



Reverse strike.

Genuine usage - Letter posted July 1953 addressed to Mr Lupele Makusa, Chifulamina Village, Chiwefwe, P.O. Kapiri Mposhi, paying 1½ d postage. As of 1/7/53 the internal letter rate had been increased to 2d. On noting the deficiency the Post Office applied a circle mark to indicate that Tax was due. On July 8th the cover was re-directed to Mkushi Boma. The Tax was collected by the use of one of the 1d provisional 'postage due' stamps produced by Mr H.R. Beck, District Officer and is cancelled Mkushi 8/7/53.

Birth Centenary of Cecil Rhodes 1853 – 1953 – Stamps issued 30/5/53.



2d to pay the local Air Mail rate to Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, as from 1/7/53 the surface rate had been increased to 2d but there is no way of saying which way it was delivered.
Cancelled at Lusaka 24/7/53.



8d to pay the Air Letter Rate to England.
Cancelled at Livingstone 5/8/53.

Birth Centenary of Cecil Rhodes 1853 – 1953 – Stamps issued 30/5/53.



1/3d per $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce Air Mail to the United Kingdom.
Cancelled Lusaka 15/7/53.

2/- Air Mail to U.S.A. cancelled Broken Hill 1/11/53.

4 $\frac{1}{2}$ d Surface to Germany cancelled 14/5/53.



Coronation 2nd June 1953 – Commemorative stamp, issued on the same day.

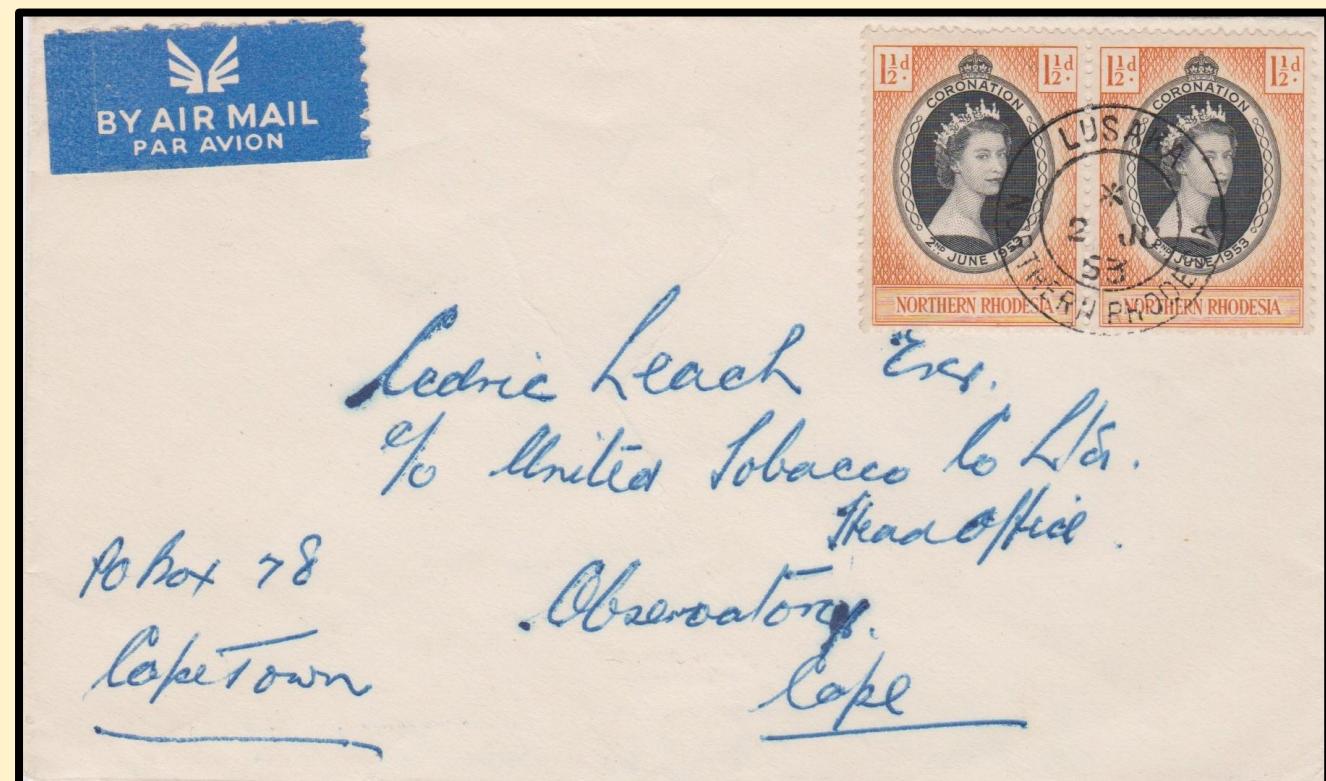


Designed and engraved by Bradbury Wilkinson and Recess Printed by De La Rue.
Printer's Imprint and plate number are shown together with the poor paper used, off white and dirty white,
due to a world shortage of paper at the time.

Coronation 2nd June 1953 – Commemorative stamp, issued on the same day.

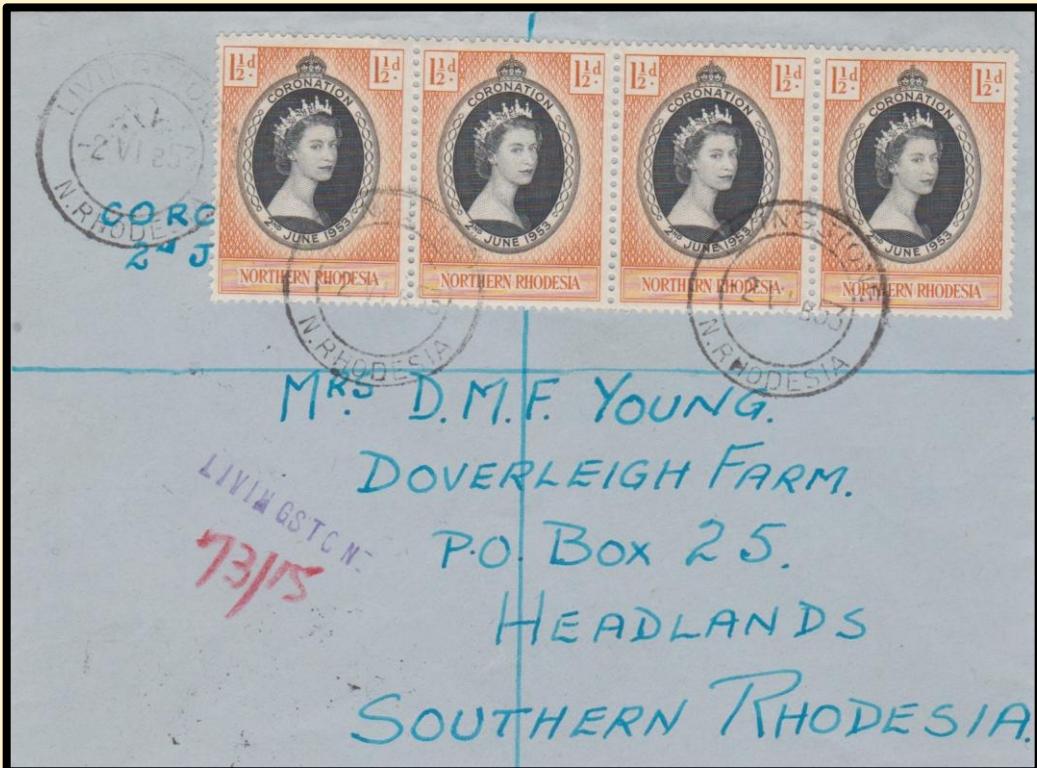


6d on Souvenir Air Letter, cancelled at Chingola 2/6/53 and addressed to England.



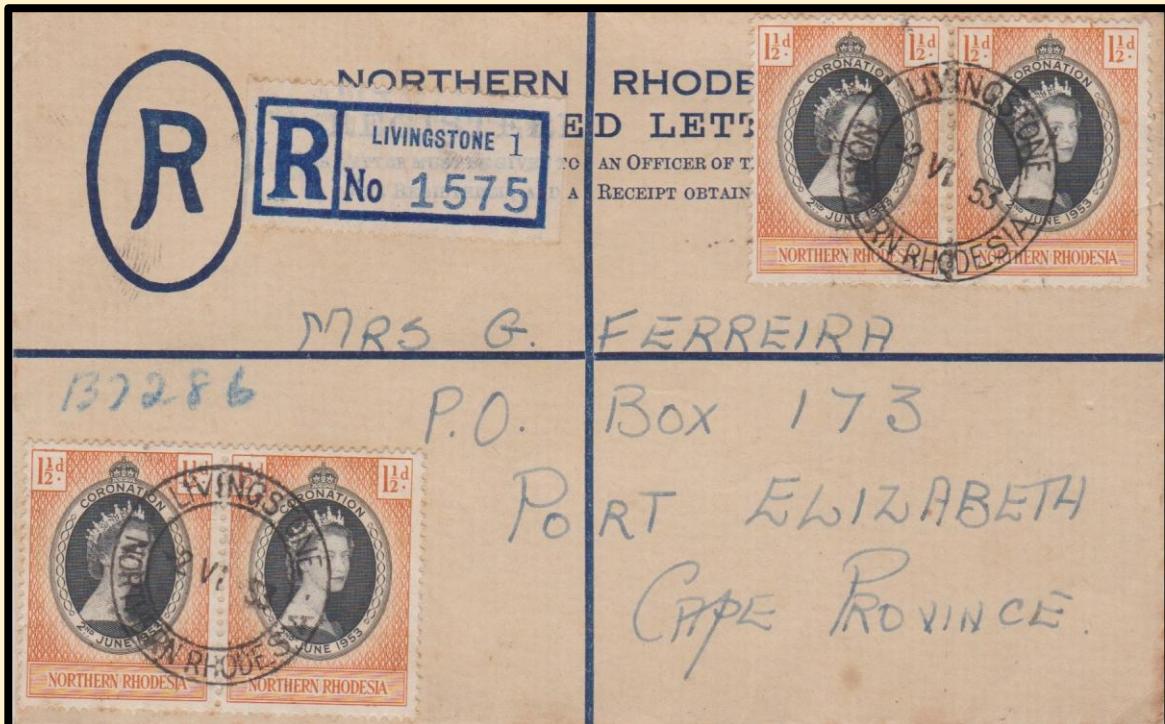
3d Air Mail cover addressed to Cape Town South Africa and cancelled at Lusaka 2/6/53.

Coronation 2nd June 1953 – Commemorative stamp, issued on the same day.

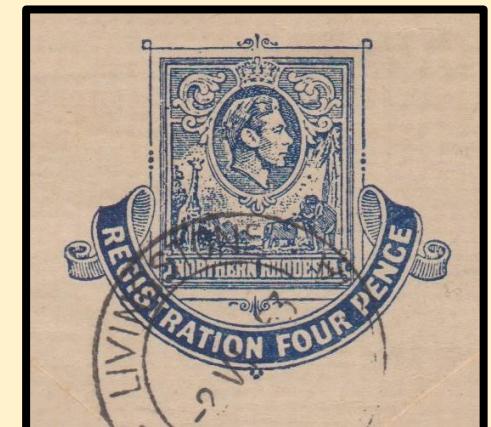


LIVINGSTONE

6d Registered Cover Surface to South Africa.
Cancelled in Livingstone and dated 2/6/53. 4d
Registration Fee plus 2d Local Letter Rate.
Note use of straight line rubber handstamp for
Registration at Livingstone.



4d Registered Letter from K.G. VI issue
(for registration) with 6d for triple rate,
surface to South Africa.
(6d would also cover the double air mail
rate at 3d per ½ ounce but not marked as
air mail).



Coronation 2nd June 1953 – Commemorative stamp, issued on the same day.



1/7d Registered, Air Mail to England Being 4d Registration Fee and 1/3d per ½ ounce Air Mail. Cancelled at Livingstone and dated 2/6/53.

9d on Registered Cover – Mufulira. Being 4d Registration Fee and 5d to pay an overweight item, 2d per ounce? Dated 2/6/53.

The number is from the post office annual count of items passing through its office.



Definitive Series issued 15/9/53.



Low Values with enlargement of 9d stamp. Recess printed by Waterlow & Sons.

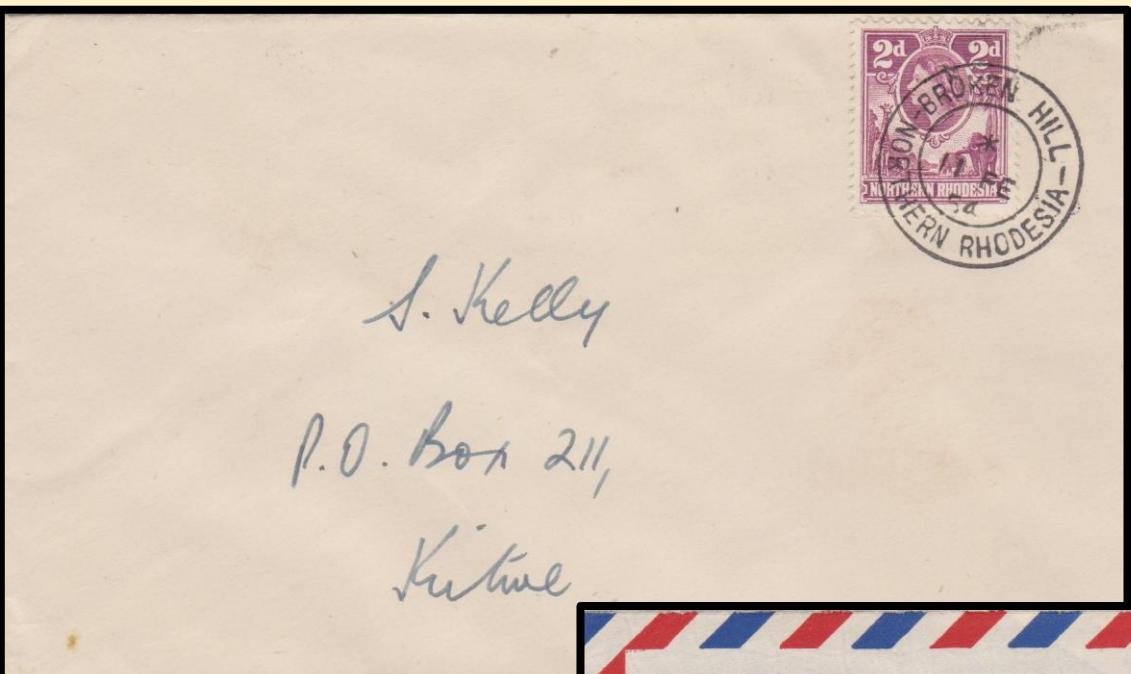
Definitive Series issued 15/9/53.



Note, the 'T' mark
for printing
registration.

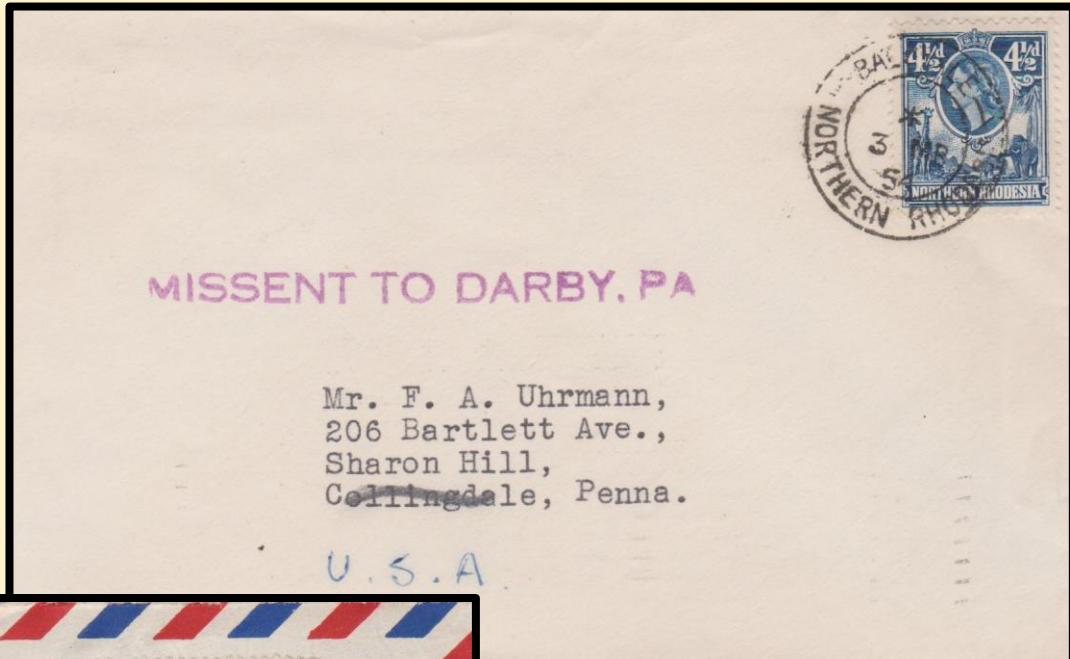
High values with marginal piece and Printer's imprints. Recess printed by Waterlow & Sons.

Definitive Series issued 15/9/53.



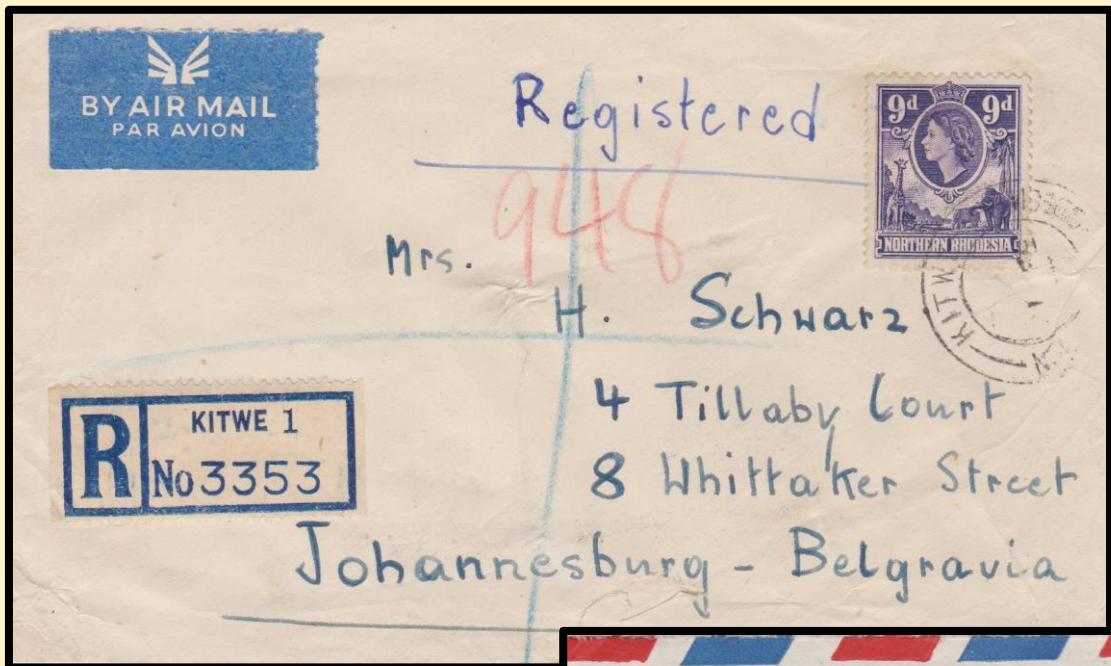
2d Inland Letter Rate, Broken Hill to Kitwe, cancelled at Broken Hill 11/2/54.

3/- Air Mail Commercial Cover from Broken Hill to Michigan U.S.A. and dated 18/8/54.



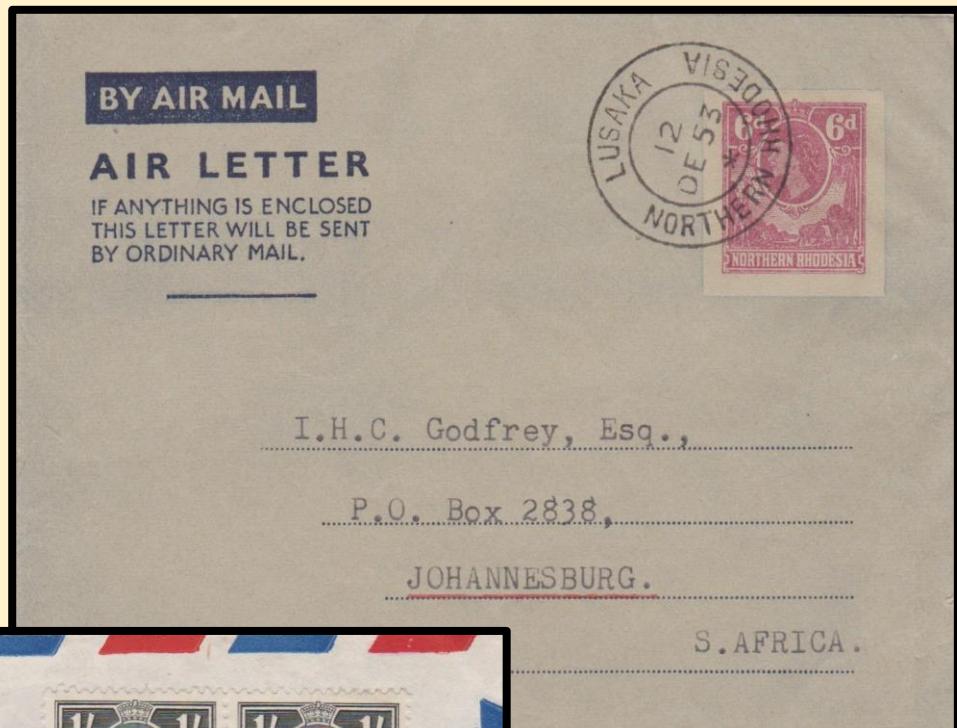
4½d surface to U.S.A. cancelled at Balovale and dated 3/3/54.
 With
 'MISSENT TO DARBY, PA'
 Cachet.

Definitive Series issued 15/9/53.

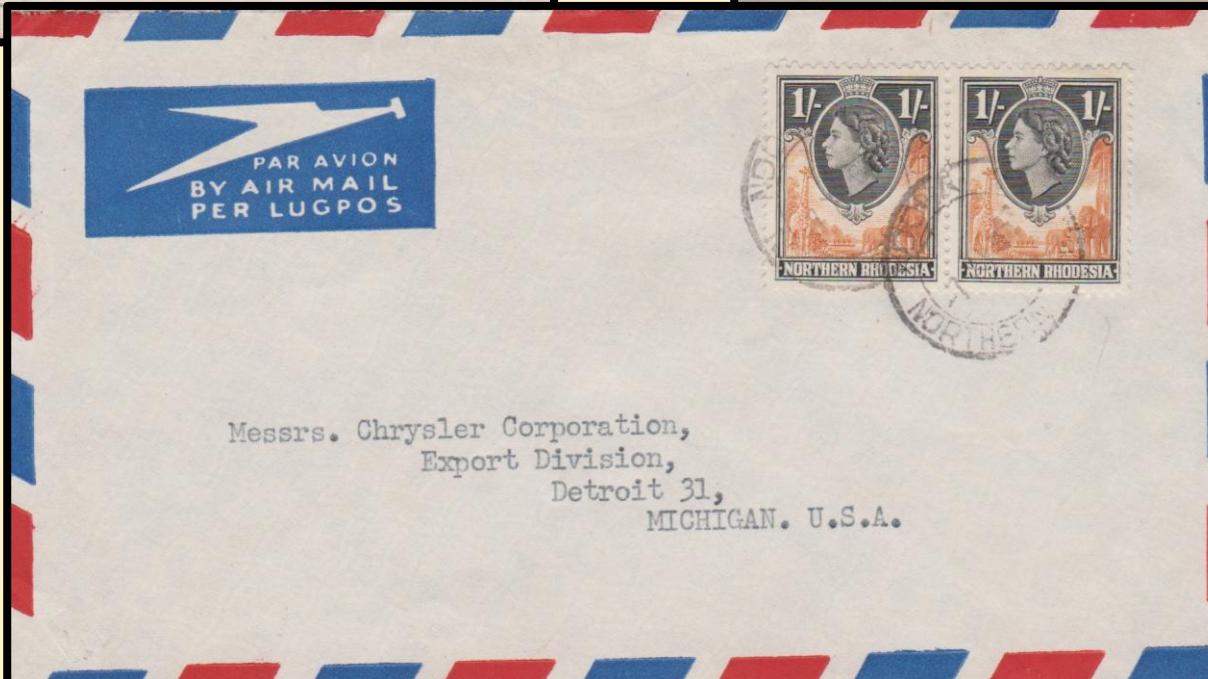


9d on Registered Cover from Kitwe to Johannesburg, South Africa dated 1/2/55.

4d Registration Free plus double rate at 2½d.

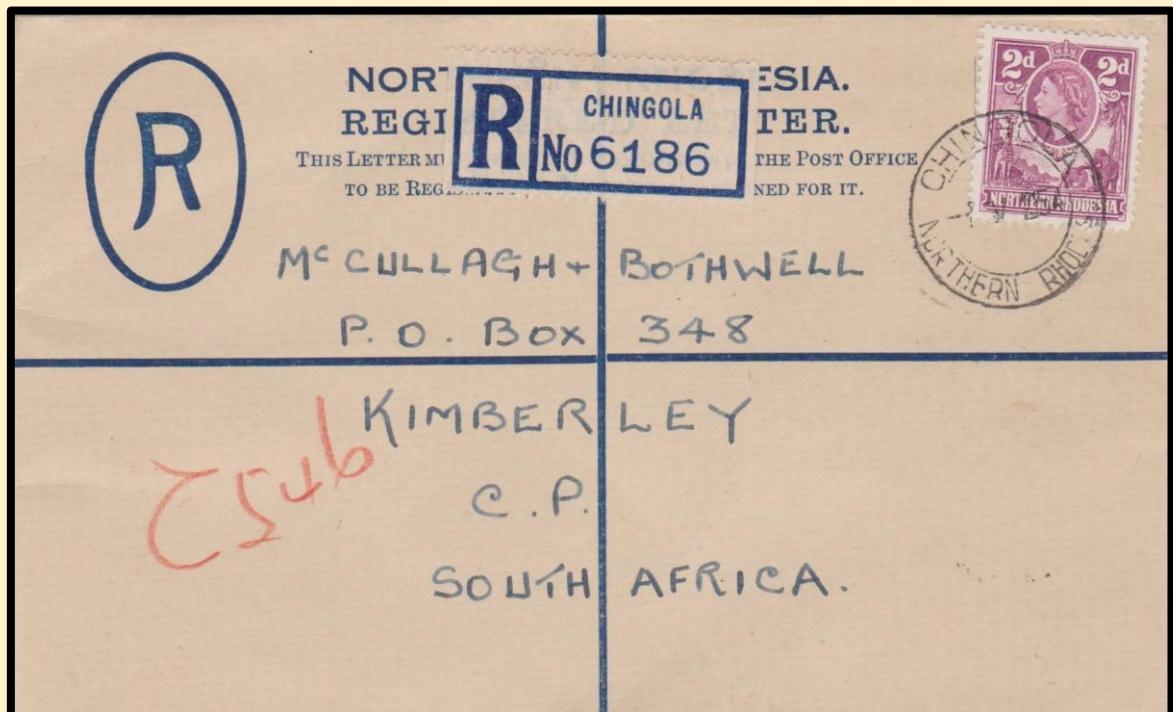


6d Air Letter Lusaka to Johannesburg, South Africa
Dated 12/12/53.



2/- per ½ ounce to North America, on Commercial Cover from Ndola to Michigan U.S.A. dated 2/11/53.

Definitive Series issued 15/9/53.



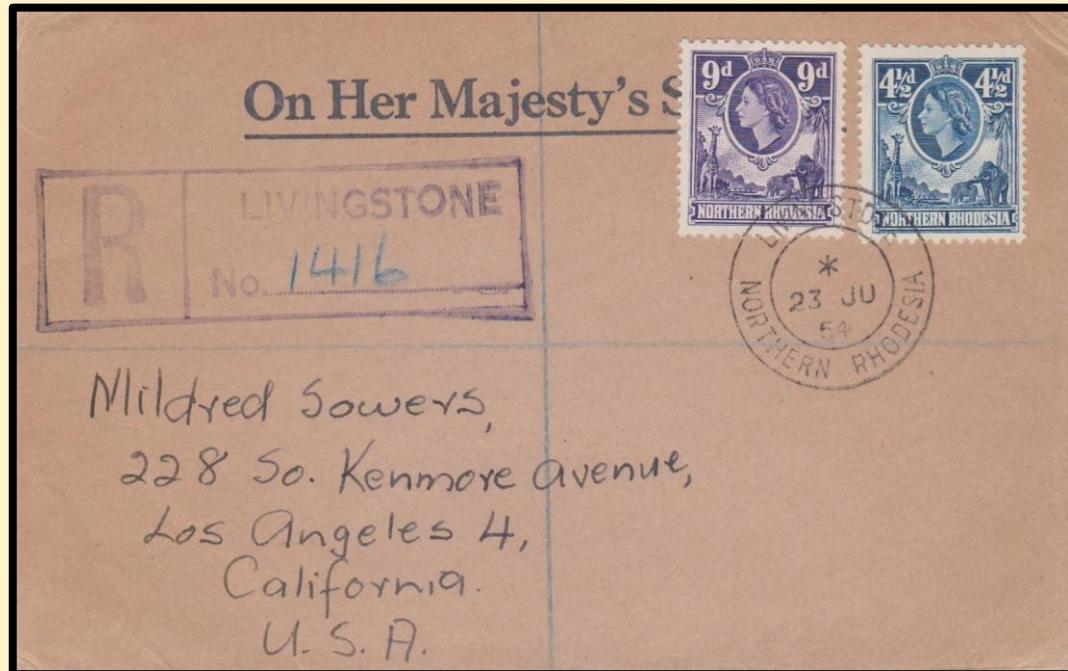
4d Registered Letter with 2d to pay for the Surface Rate to South Africa.
Cancelled at Chingola 7/5/54.



4d Registered Letter with 1/3d to pay for the first ½ ounce Air Mail to London.
Cancelled at Kafubu and dated 10/3/54.



Definitive Series issued 15/9/53.



1/1½d on Registered O.H.M.S. Cover from Livingstone, addressed to Los Angeles and dated 23/6/54.



3/4½d on Registered O.H.M.S. Cover from Livingstone , Addressed to Victoria, Canada and dated 14/6/54.

Old Mkushi – 15/7/54.



Philatelic cover recording the 'Old Mkushi' handstamp which was used with the old canceller (previous name 'Chiwefwe' remove).

1d was the Printed Paper Rate but the cover was sealed so it was cancelled to order, it was probably never posted as would have been taxed.

Note, In late 1955 Old Mkushi was renamed Mboroma.



Old cancellation with 'Mkushi' removed.
15/7/54.



The locally produced hand stamp.
'OLD MKUSHI'.

Carried Forward.

History behind the Mkushi Cover.



Old Mkushi
15/7/54..

Old Mkushi cover from last slide, **Brought Forward**.

H.R. Beck, (a W.W. 2 bomb observation light aircraft pilot in Italy) was the district officer at Mkushi, he was responsible for the creation of the handstamp.

Beck's administration offices at Mkushi were removed about 45 miles north to Chiwefwe which was then re-named 'Old Mkushi'

Needing a canceller to cancel his office mail, he had the old name from the previous canceller removed and used it in tandem with the newly created handstamp 'Old Mkushi'. In the meantime, he used his office cachet.

The handstamp was in use from 4th June 1954 for about a year, the last recorded I can find is 15/6/55.

Information from Otto Peetoom's article in the Rhodesian Philatelist No. 38. July 2016.

Half
Time



Federation of Rhodesia – Nyasaland, first Definitive Issue, 1st August 1953 – 31st December 1963.



Printer's Imprint with Perforation guide.

Low values of the first definitive stamps, printed by Waterlow & Sons and issued 1/7/54.

Federation of Rhodesia – Nyasaland, first Definitive Issue, 1st August 1953 – 31st December 1963.



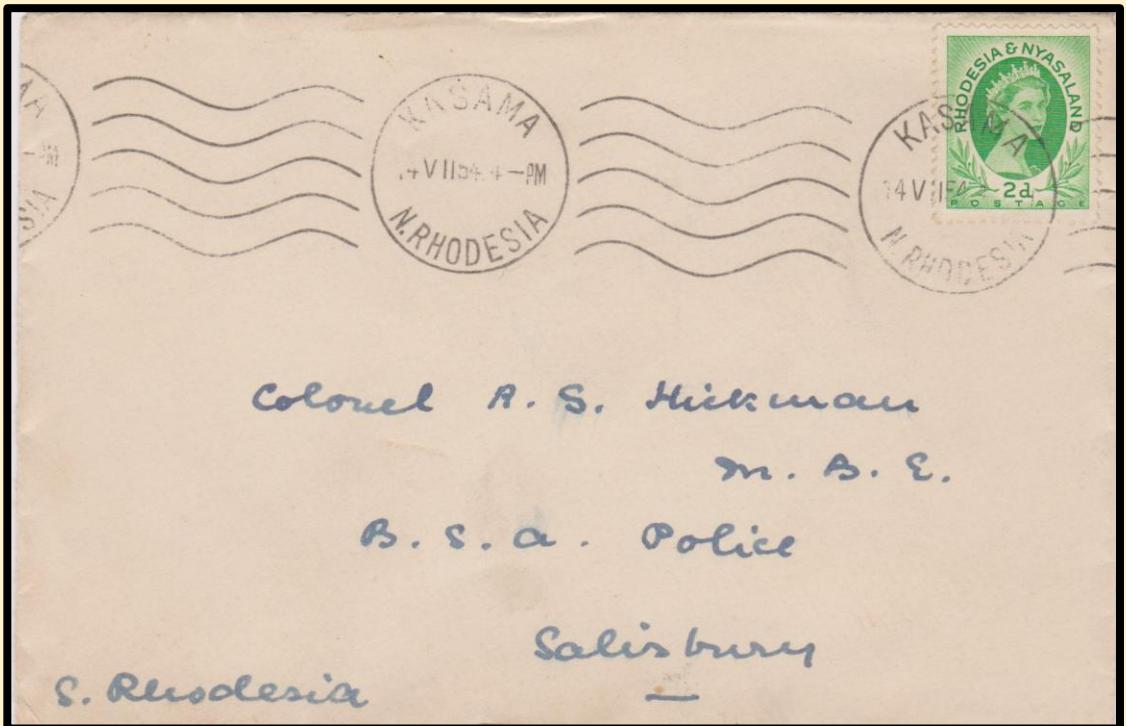
Head and Frame proofs of high values from the Waterlow Archives and Printer's imprints with Perforation guides.

Federation of Rhodesia – Nyasaland, First Definitive Issue, 1st August 1953 – 31st December 1963.



File copy of the £1 stamp from the Waterlow Archives.

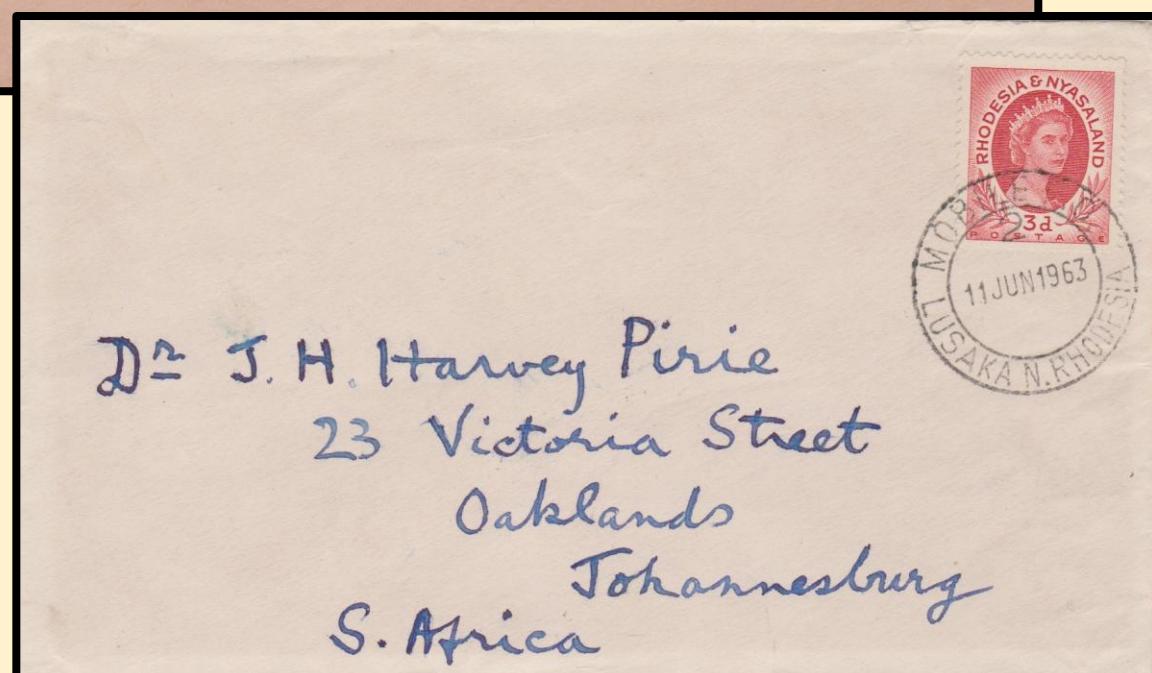
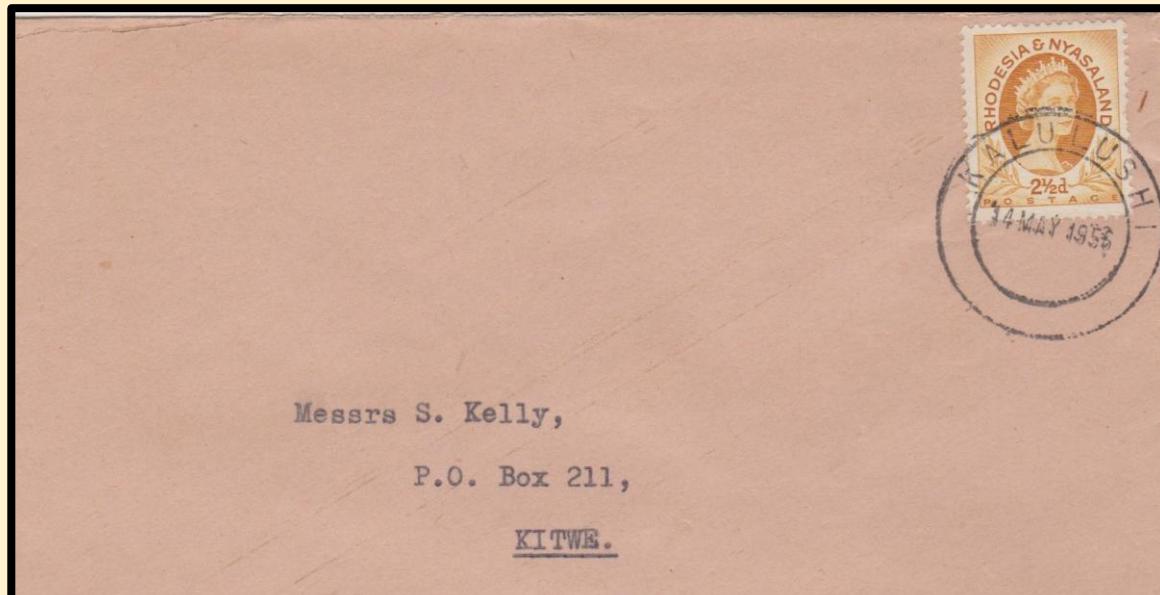
Federation of Rhodesia – Nyasaland, First Definitive Issue, 1st August 1953 – 31st December 1963.



2d on cover to Salisbury in Southern Rhodesia from Kasama,
dated 14/7/54.

2½d on local cover to Kitwe from Kalalushi and dated 14/5/56.

3d on cover to Johannesburg, South Africa from the Mobile Post Office in Lusaka dated 11/6/63.



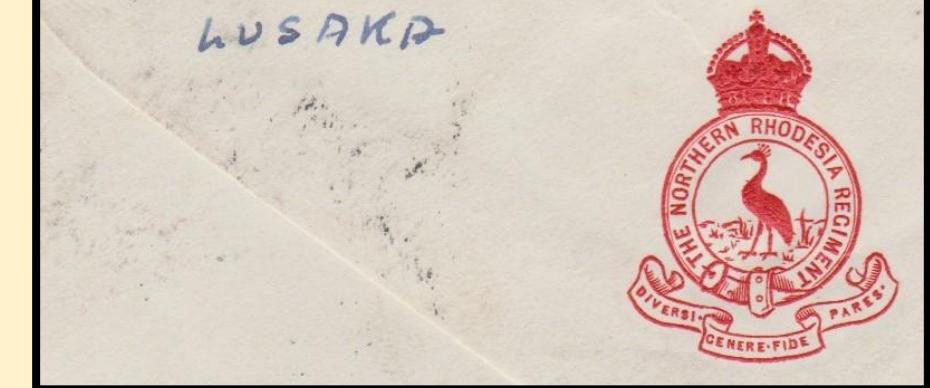
Federation of Rhodesia – Nyasaland, first Definitive Issue, 1st August 1953 – 31st December 1963.



2½d Concession Rate for an officer
in the Northern Rhodesian Regiment addressed to England.
Cancelled at Lusaka and dated 14/8/54.



CAPT D. H. CLARK
P.O. BOX 131
LUSAKA



Enlargements of the Northern Rhodesian Regimental Emblem and the qualifying cachet for the concession rate of the 1st Battalion, later to become part of the Zambian Rifles.

Federation of Rhodesia – Nyasaland, first Definitive Issue 1st August 1953 – 31st December 1963.



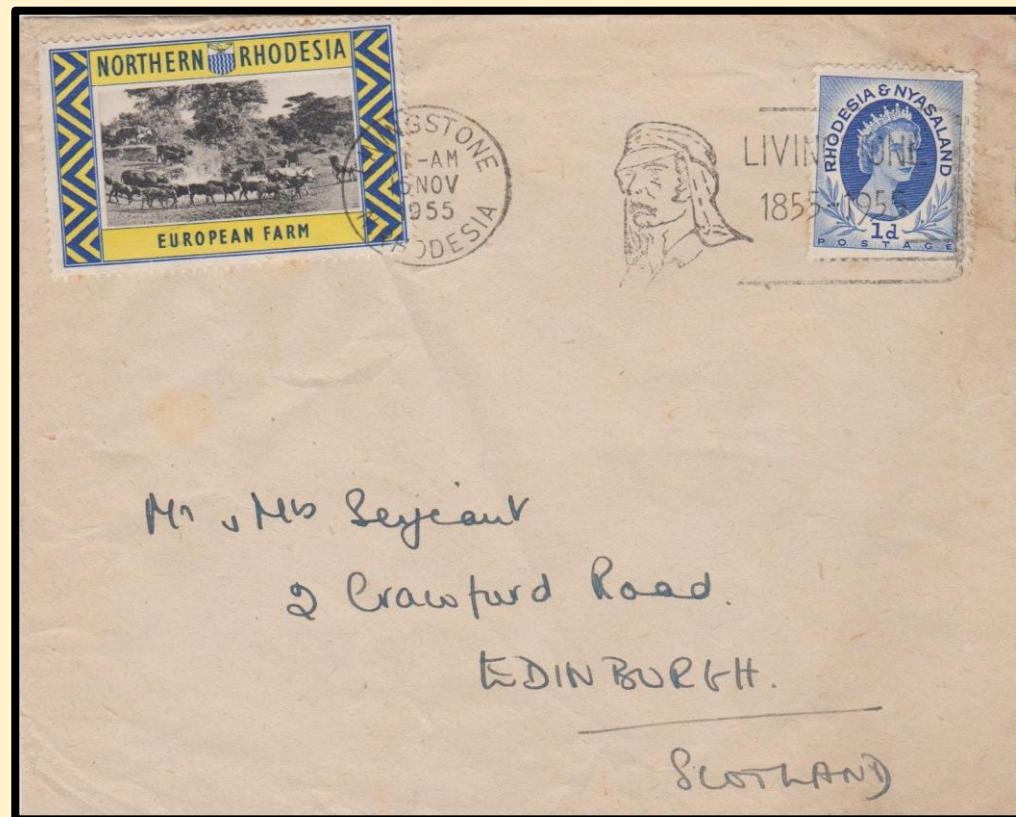
1/3d on O.H.M.S. Air Mail Cover from Kabambo to the Colonial Office in London, dated 5/8/58.



1/6d on Air Mail Cover To Germany used with the Livingstone Commemorative stamps of 15/6/65. Cancelled at Lusaka 16/6/59.

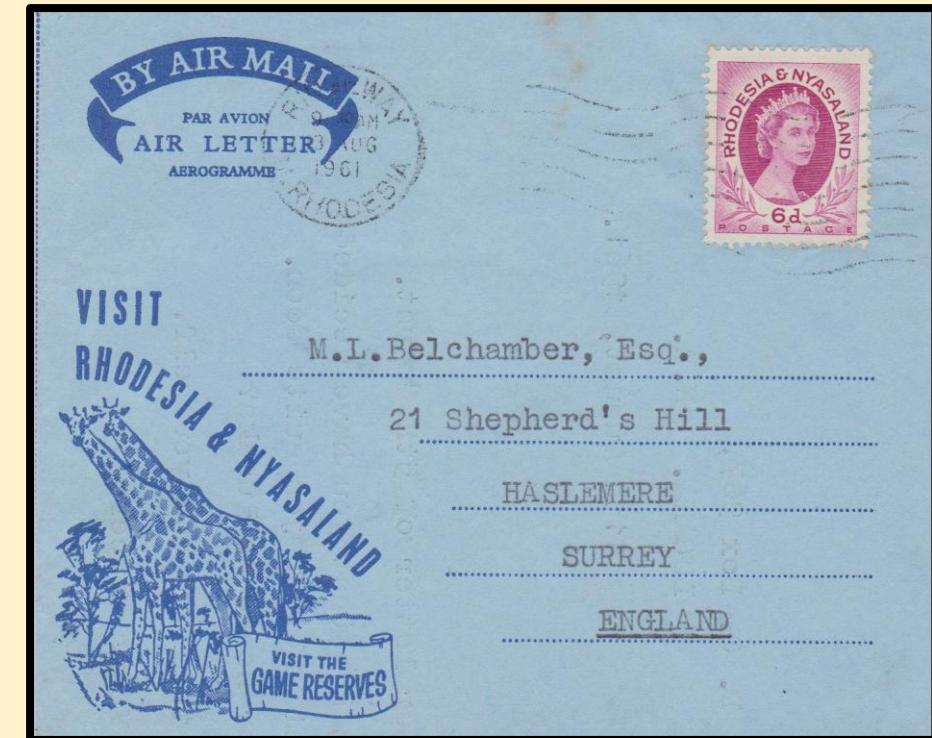


Federation of Rhodesia – Nyasaland, first Definitive Issue, 1st August 1953 – 31st December 1963.



1d Printed Paper Rate to Scotland Cancelled at Livingstone with a 'Livingstone Centenary' Propaganda machine cancellation, 'Livingstone' dated 15/11/55.

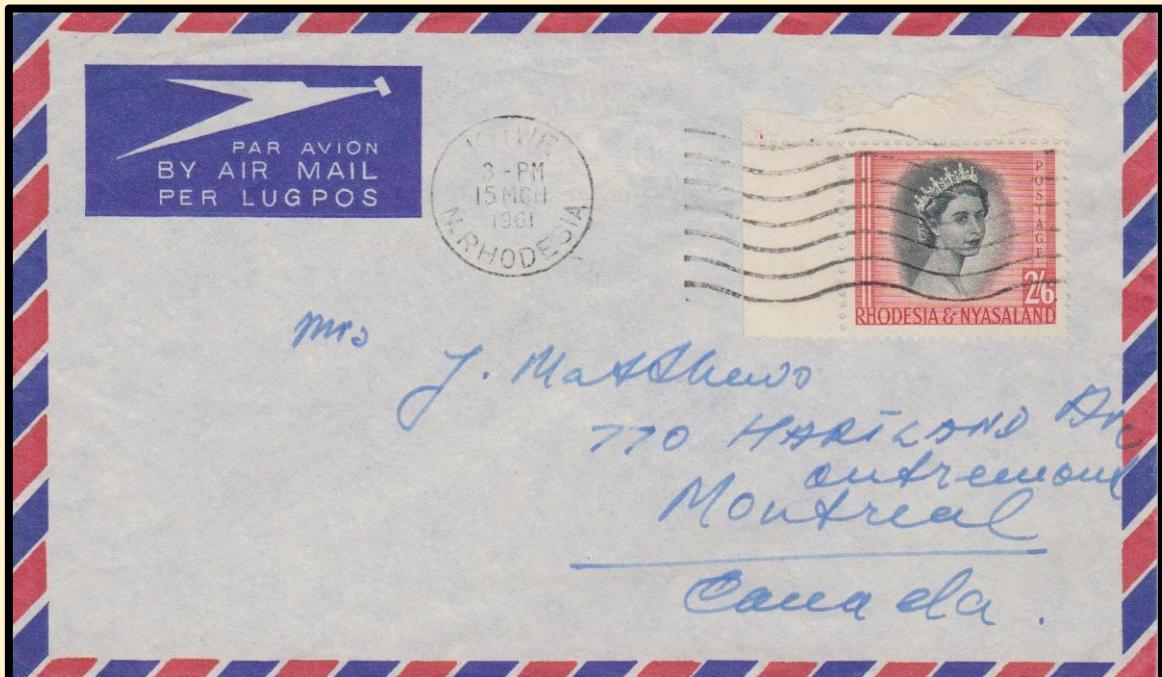
With additional Northern Rhodesian Cinderella for Farming.



Rhodesia Nyasaland 'Propaganda' Air Letter with 6d stamp addressed to England, cancelled at Ridgeway and dated 13/8/61.

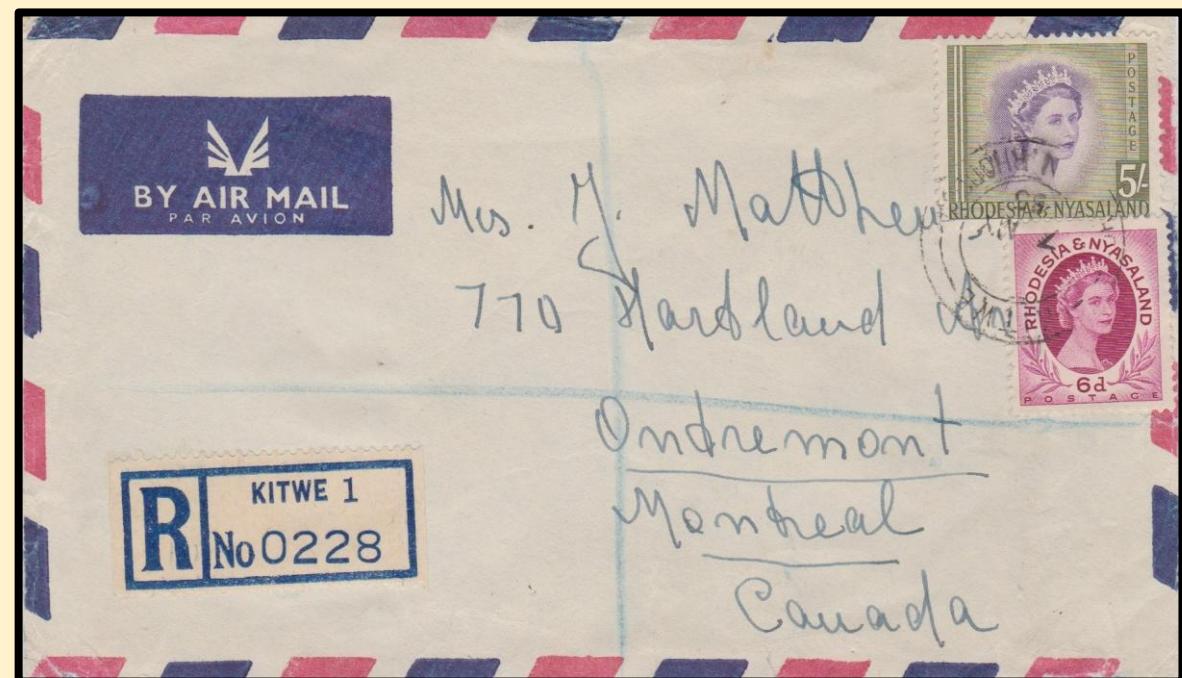
Just three of the ways that Northern Rhodesia advertised itself to the world.

Federation of Rhodesia – Nyasaland, first Definitive Issue, 1st August 1953 – 31st December 1963.

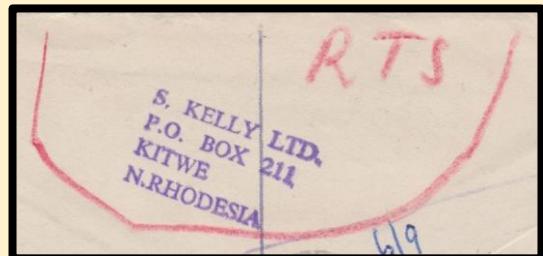


2/6d per ½ ounce
Air Mail to Canada,
cancelled at Kitwe
and dated 15/3/61.

5/6d, being the double rate at 2/6d
per ½ ounce - Air Mail plus 6d
Registration Fee to Canada,
cancelled at Kitwe and dated 7/5/55.

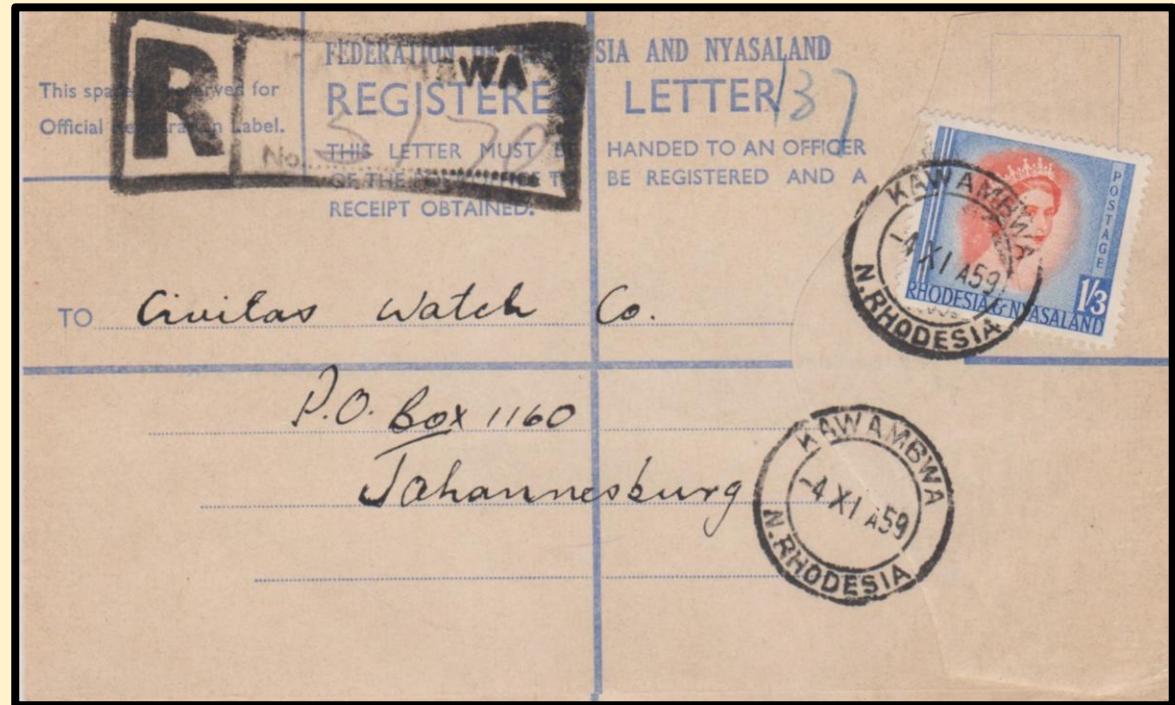


Federation of Rhodesia – Nyasaland, first Definitive Issue, 1st August 1953 – 31st December 1963.



8½d on local Registered Commercial Cover cancelled at Kitwe and dated 1/4/59. Was returned to sender RTS).

S. Kelly besides being a Gentleman's Outfitter was also a local philatelist of some note.



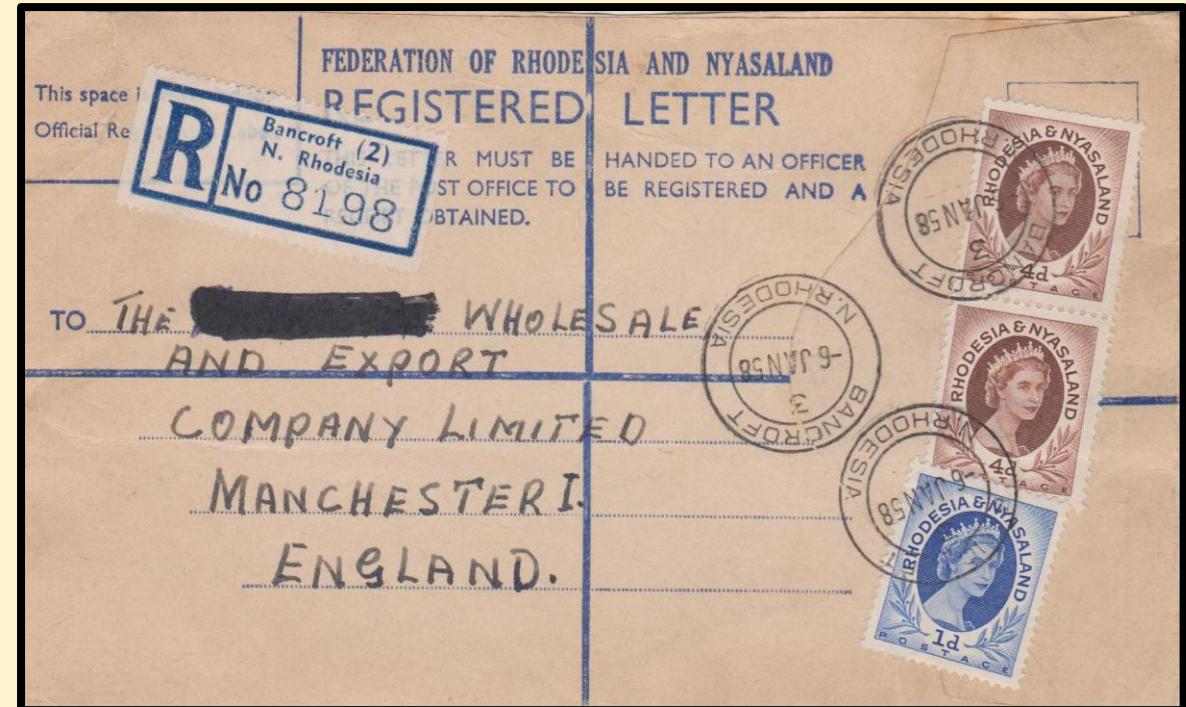
1/3d on a Rhodesia and Nyasaland Registered Letter (front only) with rubber handstamp 'R Kawambwa'. Cancelled at Kawamba 1/9/59 and addressed to Johannesburg, South Africa.

1/3d Postage being triple rate at 3d to S.A. plus 6d Registration Fee

Federation of Rhodesia – Nyasaland, first Definitive Issue, 1st August 1953 – 31st December 1963.

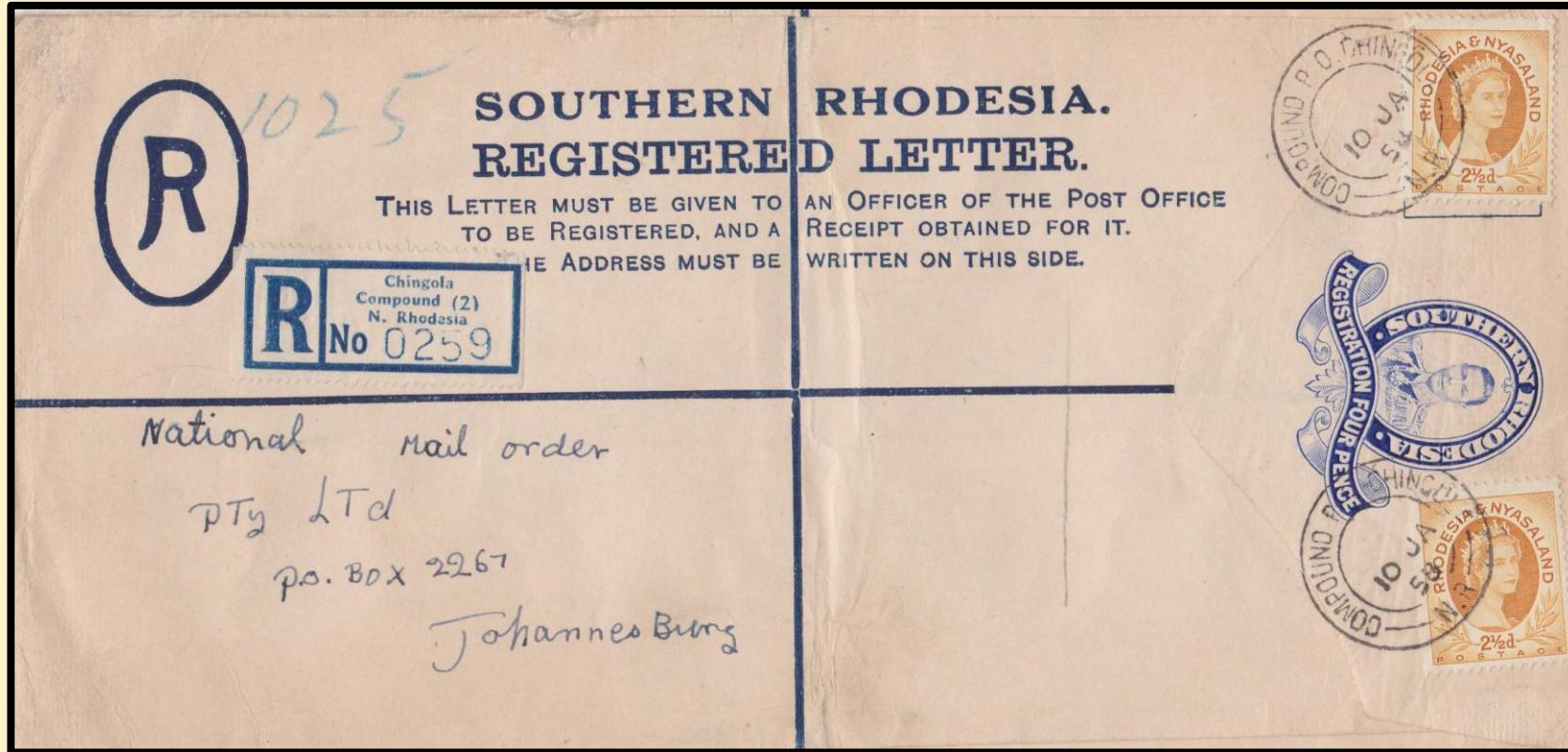


4d Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland Registered Letter with additional 1/5d to make the 1/3d per 1/2 ounce Air Mail and 6d Registration Rate. Cancelled at Kafubu and with registration 'Kafubu' in manuscript, dated 8/12/55.



Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland Registered Letter without Registration imprint and with 9d postage paid being 3d surface to England and 6d Registration Fee. Cancelled at Bancroft and dated 6/1/58.

Federation of Rhodesia – Nyasaland, first Definitive Issue, 1st August 1953 – 31st December 1963.

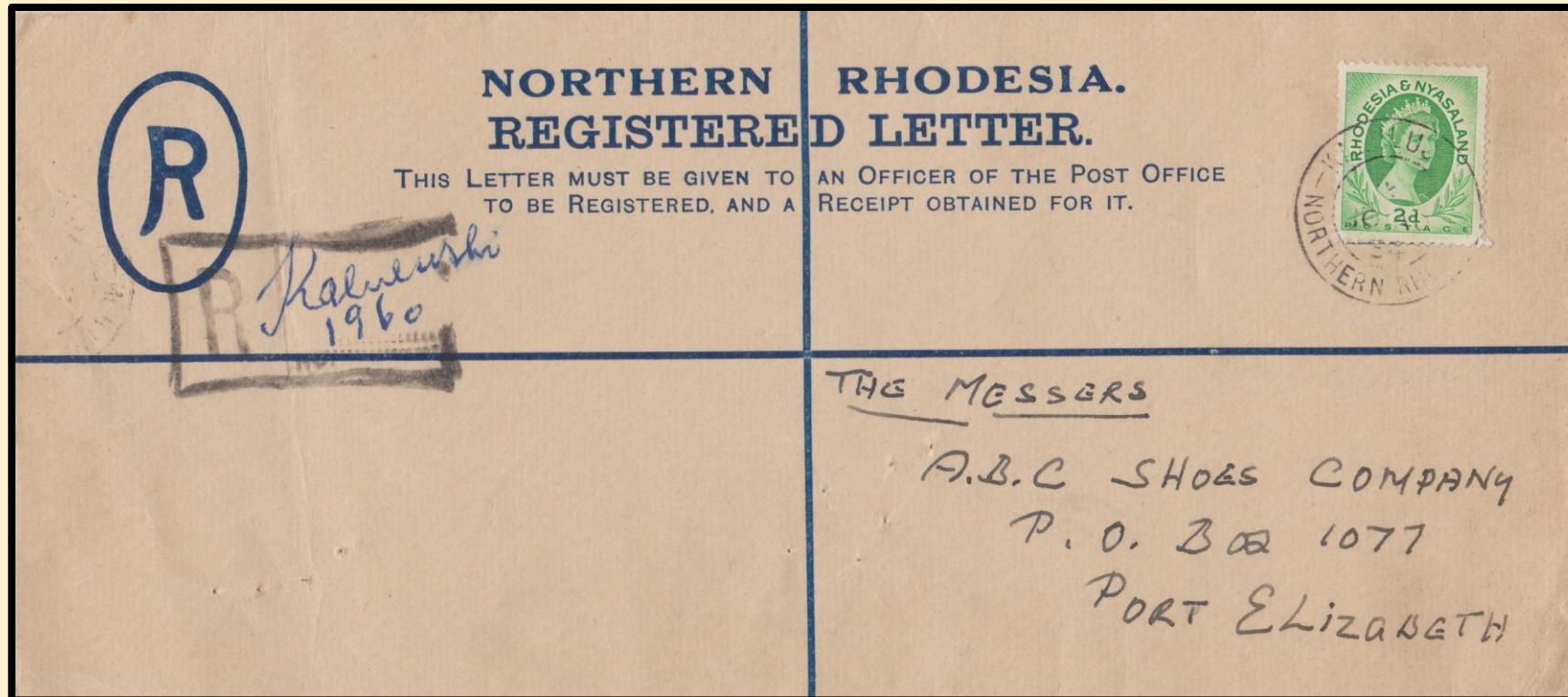


4d Southern Rhodesia, King George VI, Registered Letter (size H2) used at the Nchanga Mine and posted from the Compound Post Office, Chingola 10/1/54. Used commercially by a local miner to Johannesburg South Africa. The additional 5d pad made up 9d to pay the 3d rate to South Africa and 6d Registration Fee. With Federation all stamps and postal stationary were interchangeable.

Compound P.O.
Chingola.
10/1/54.

Berre ~~soot~~ sakalia
Hut No. K.O. 6
Nchanga mine
chingola
N. R.

Federation of Rhodesia – Nyasaland, first Definitive Issue, 1st August 1953 – 31st December 1963.

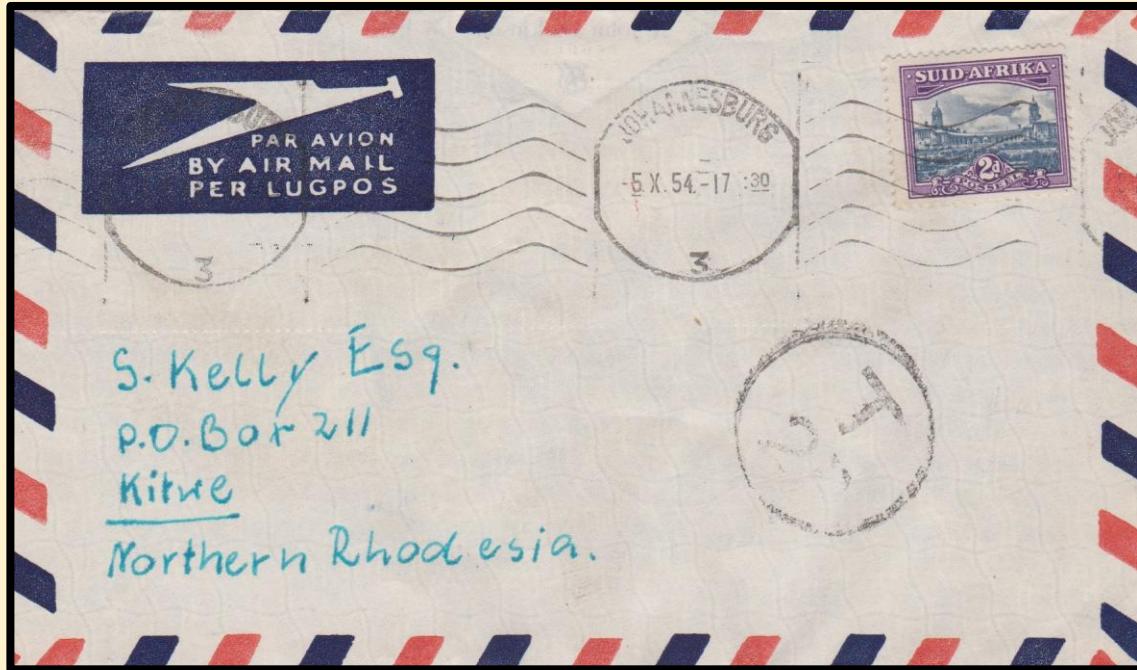


4d Northern Rhodesia Registered Letter (size H2) uprated by 2d to pay the postage to South Africa. With manuscript 'Kalulusha' on rubber registration cachet. Cancelled at Kalulusha and dated 10/8/54.

Shown with imprint from reverse of cover.



Southern Rhodesia Postage Due stamps used in Northern Rhodesia.

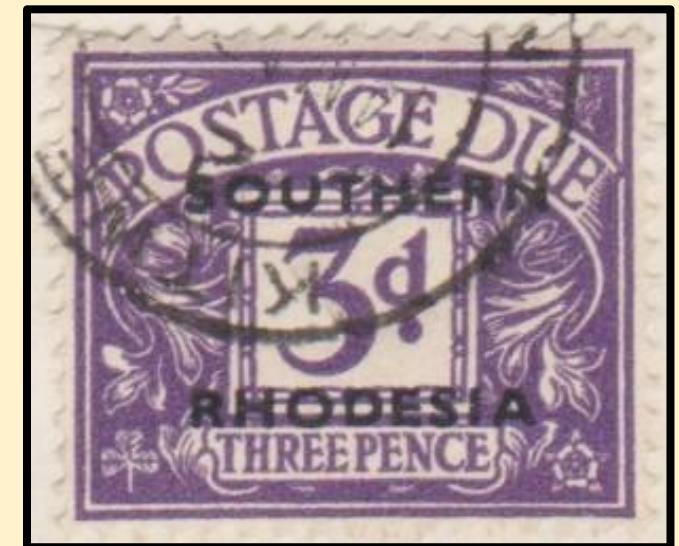


Two covers from South Africa dated 5/10/54 & 8/3/55?
Both with tax markings applied in South Africa and both taxed in
Kitwe with Southern Rhodesia Postage Due stamps applied.

Southern Rhodesia had used overprinted Postage Due Stamps of
Great Britain and these along with other stamps and postal
stationary were valid in all three countries as were their stamps in
the other two.



Scans of the Postage Due stamps are shown with the 3d enlarged.



Rhodesia & Nyasaland 2nd Definitive Issue, Recess printed by Waterlow, De La Rue, and Bradbury Wilkinson. First issued 12/6/62.



Waterlow till 1962,
then De La Rue.



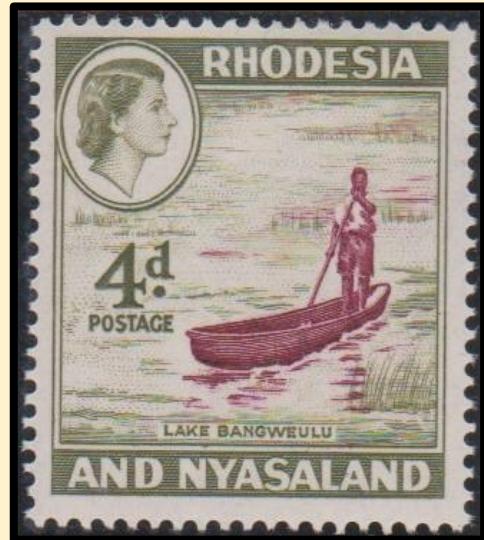
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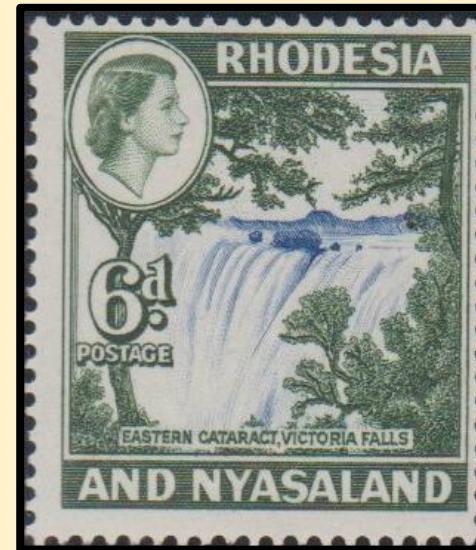
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De La Rue.



Bradbury Wilkinson.



De La Rue.

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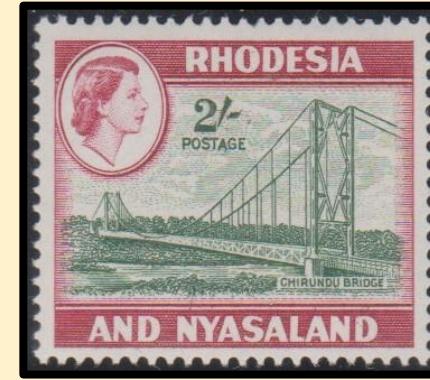
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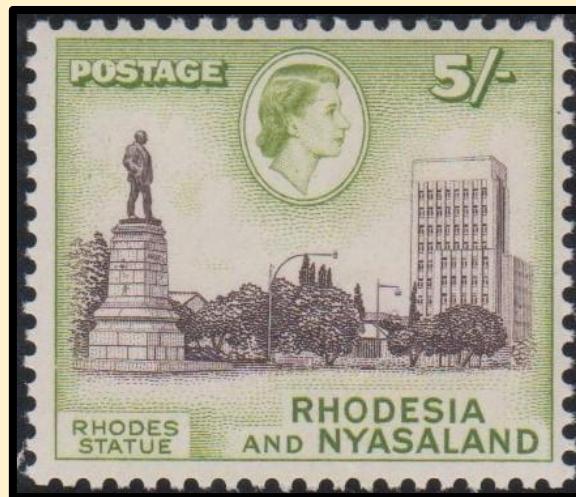
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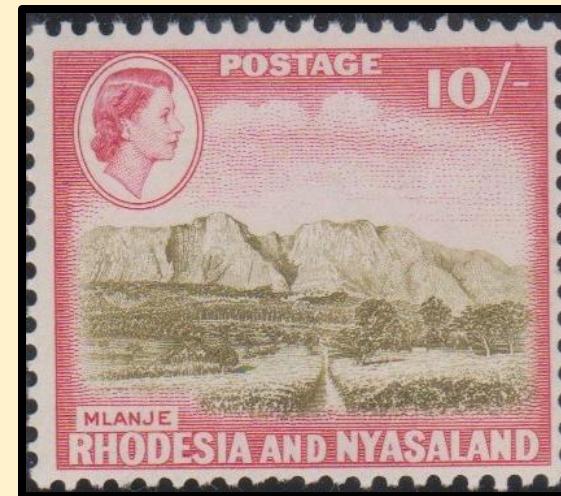
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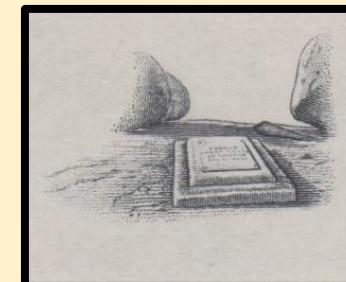
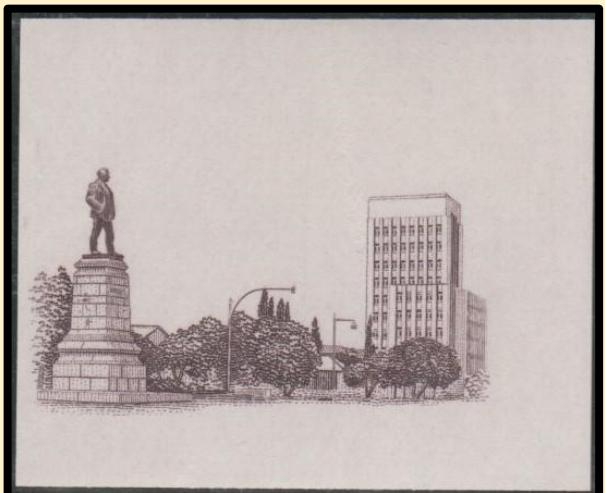


Bradbury Wilkinson.

2nd Definitive Issue – Photogravure Printed by Harrison & Son – Issued 10th December 1963



Bradbury Wilkinson
5/- with Vignette Proof.



Bradbury Wilkinson, Stamp with Security number and £3 sheet value plus Vignette Proof.



Bradbury Wilkinson
£1 with Vignette Proof.



2nd Definitive Issue – Photogravure Printed by Harrison & Son – Issued 10th December 1963



The Chief Secretary and Mrs. Luyt,
P.O. Box 208,
LUSAKA

1d Printed Paper Rate used locally in Lusaka.
Cancelled 27/8/63 with the Machine Propaganda cancellation, 'BUY HOME MADE PRODUCTS'.



5. A. R. Travel Bureau.
P. O. Box 1111
Johannesburg



3d on Commemorative Cover for the Royal Visit by
the Queen Mother to Mongu on 11/5/1960

4d Air Mail Rate to south Africa using
the Red Cross Commemorative stamp
(issued 6/8/63.) to make up rate,
Cancelled 27/8/63.

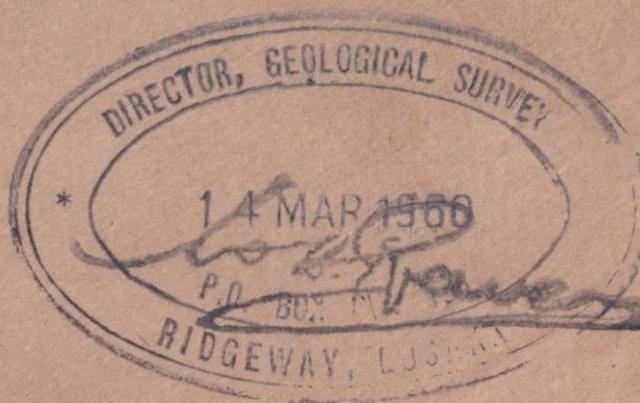
Rhodesia and Nyasaland – Commemorative Issues.

On Her Majesty's Service.

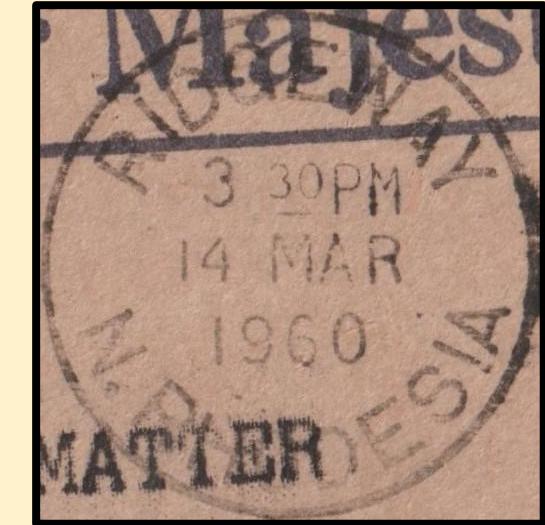


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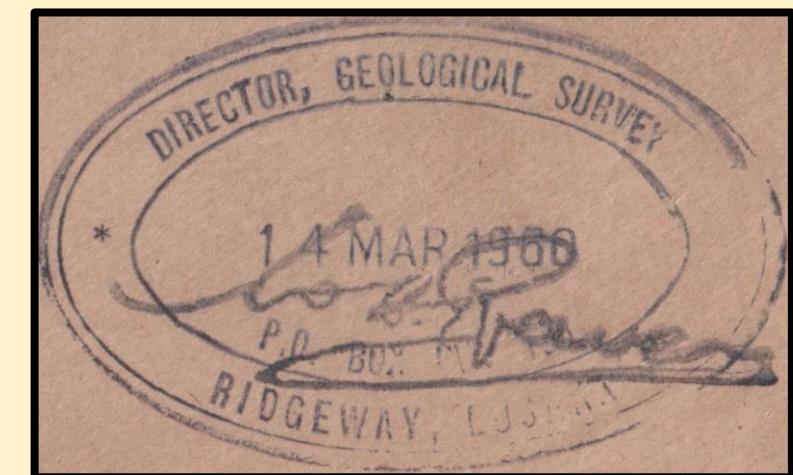
Hannover,
Wiesenstrasse 1,
GERMANY.



2d Printed Paper Rate on O.H.M.S. Cover from Ridgeway,
Northern Rhodesia to Hannover, Germany..



Ridgeway – N. Rhodesia – 14/3/60.



Cachet.
'DIRECTOR, GEOLOGICAL SURVEY – RIDGEWAY, LUSAKA'.
14/3/60.

2nd Definitive Issue – Photogravure Printed by Harrison & Son – Issued 10th December 1963



2c to pay the 3c postage rate to South Africa. Taxed 2c being double the shortfall in South Africa. Cancelled at Kitwe 20/12/63.

1/- on R & N
Tourist Propaganda
Air Letter to U.S.A.
Cancelled at
Lusaka, 20/8/60.



1/4d on R & N Registered Letter
to Pretoria. Cancelled at Bancroft
and dated 30/11/63.

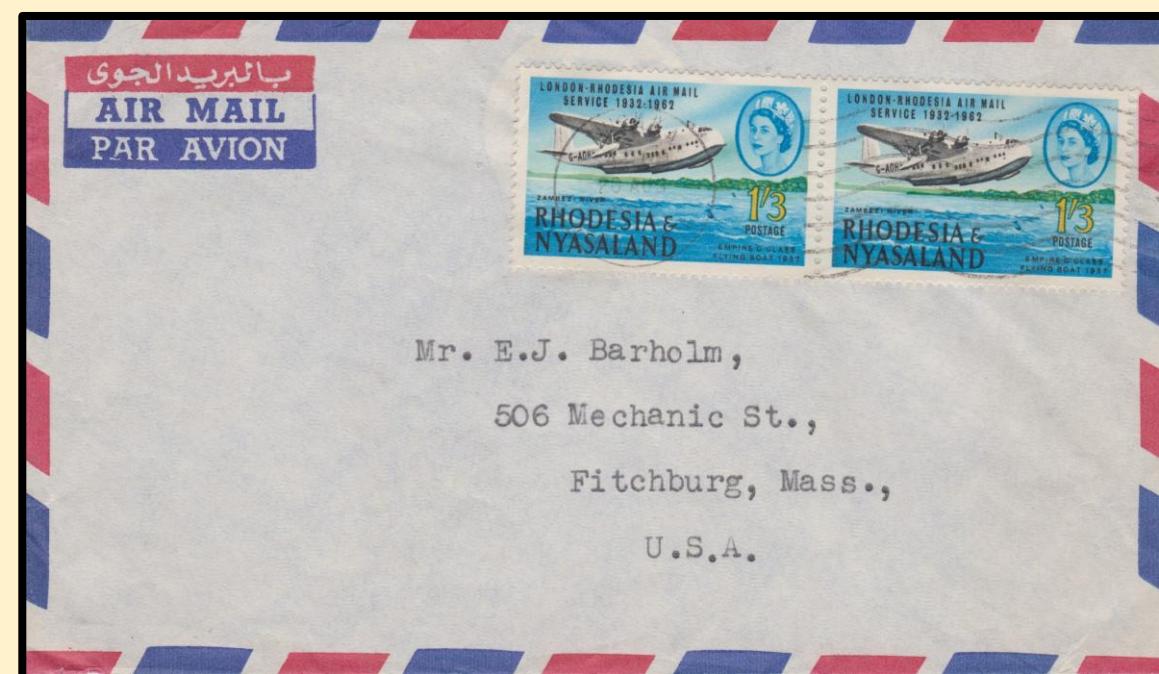
There was a difficulty with delivery as the cover is endorsed in manuscript 'Mense Werk', (The people work).



Rhodesia and Nyasaland – Commemorative Issues.



6d stamp from the
'7th Commonwealth Mining & Meteorological Congress',
Issued 8/5/61. This to make the 1/3d per ½ ounce Air Mail Rate to
England. Cancelled at Ndola 19/7/61.



2x1/3d stamps from the
'30th Anniversary, First London - Rhodesia Air Mail Service'
Commemorative Issue of 6/2/62 to pay the 2/6d Air Mail Rate to
the U.S.A.

Rhodesia and Nyasaland – Commemorative Issues.

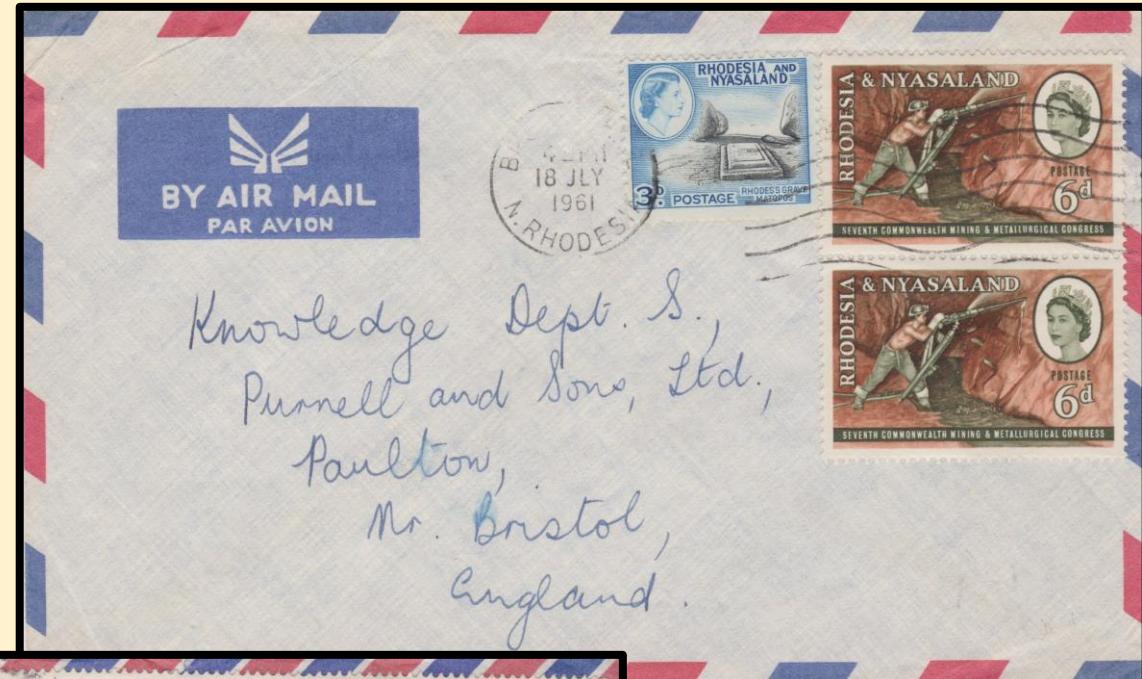


6d from the 'Opening of Kariba Dam' commemorative issue of 17/5/60.

On Rhodesia & Nyasaland 'Tourist Propaganda Air Letter. Cancelled at Broken Hill 16/9/60.



5x3d 'Opening of Kariba Dam 17/5/60, addressed to England and cancelled at Ndola 6/8/60.



2x6d stamps from the '7th Commonwealth Mining & Metallurgical Congress' Commemorative Issued 8/5/61.

Broken Hill to England, cancelled 18/7/61.

Half
Time



Stamps and Postal History of Queen Elizabeth II

Northern Rhodesia - Part 3.



By Jamie Smith.



The Lusaka Printing prior to the Definitive Issue of 10/12/63.

Not in my collection



The folded top two rows of the Lusaka Printing (Broken up 25/7/21).
Trials were unsuccessful so printing was eventually done by Harrison & Sons.

The Lusaka Printing prior to the Definitive Issue of 10/12/63.



Pair cut from imperforate block of 24 (top two rows). Row 2 stamps 10 & 11.

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Low values, small format.

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High Values, Large Format.



½d print shift causing 'halo' under the eagle's wings.

With enlargements to show result of print shift.

Normal
Stamp.





Corner block with plate numbers and missing Eagle variety.

Shown with normal stamp.

This item is not in my collection; it belongs to Ian Frith – stamp dealer.

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Not to scale.



Correct Printing.



Missing 1d.



1d Coil Stamps, Identified by guillotined perforations on stamps 5-8.

1d Missing Value on window envelope - Ndola, 11/1/64.

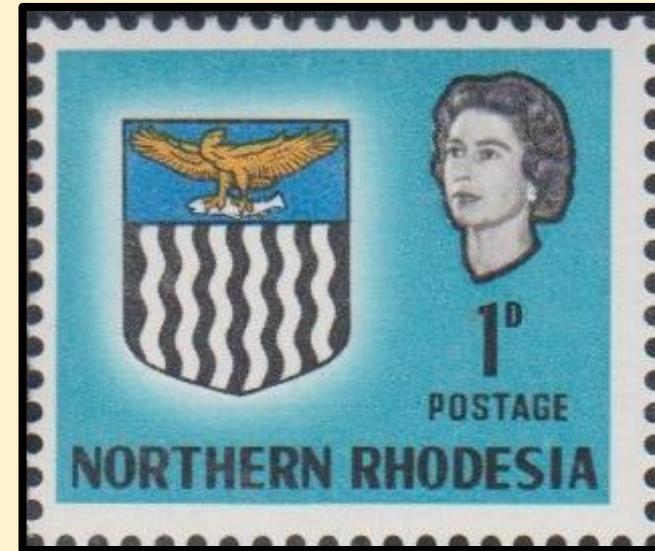


Used on cover – probably ex-Kelly.

Mis-placed 1d Value.



1d in center of badge.



Correct position of 1d.

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Correct Printing.

Because of short notice there were many mistakes.



Missing 3d.



Flown Eagle.
Behind Northern Rhodesia.



Dropped 3d.



Progressive dropping of a black line through the badge and smudging of writing.

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Flown Eagle variety.



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Missing 4d.



Progressive dropping of 4d value shown with normal for comparison.



Normal.

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Missing value on 4d stamp.



Normal for comparison.

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Missing Eagle and missing value on the 9d stamp.



Original 9d stamp.



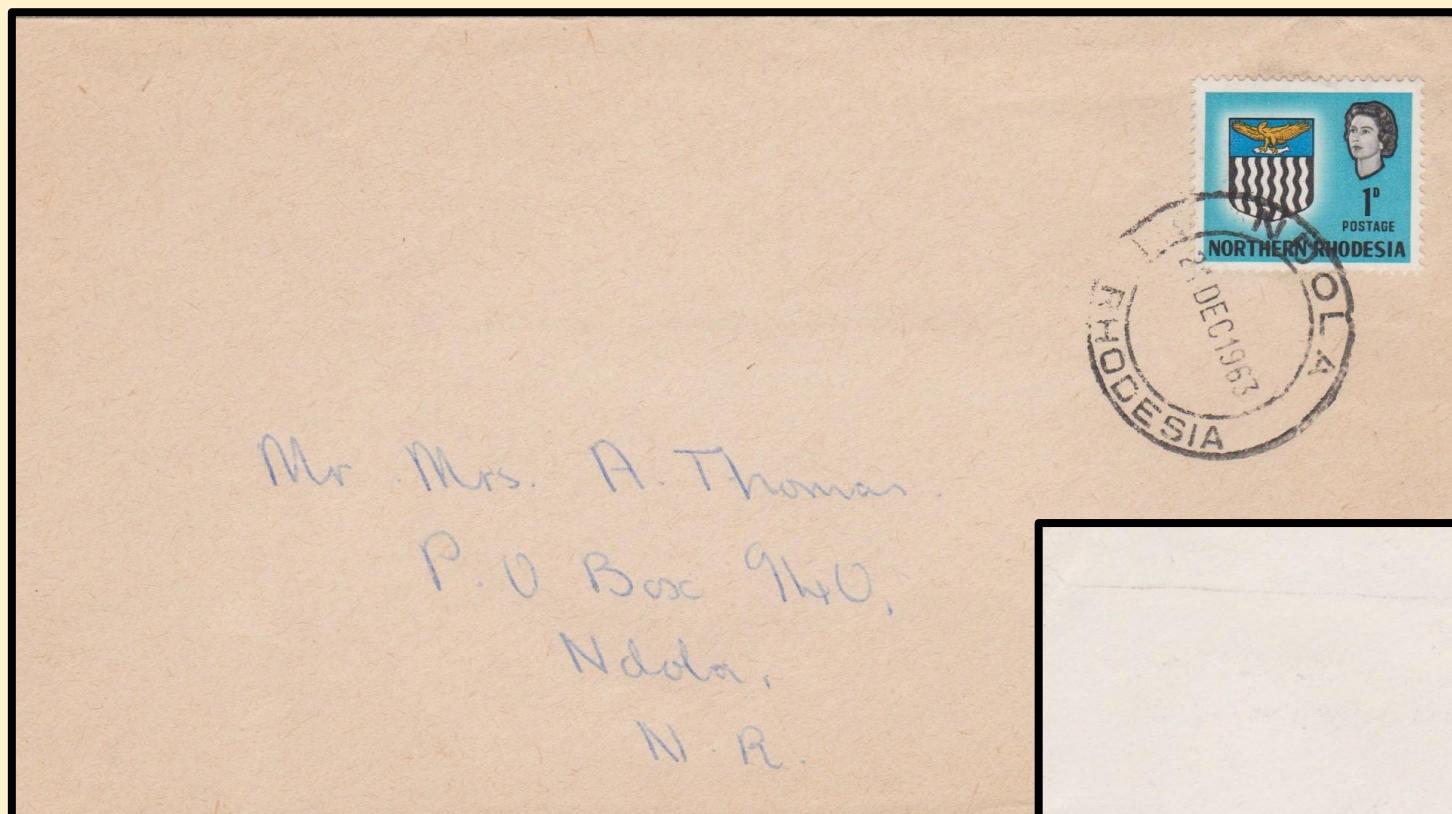
6d – ‘Parting in Queen’s hair’ – recurring flaw on right pane Row 4/11 on all small format stamps.



Normal.

Marginal copy of missing value on 20/- stamp
with normal for comparison.

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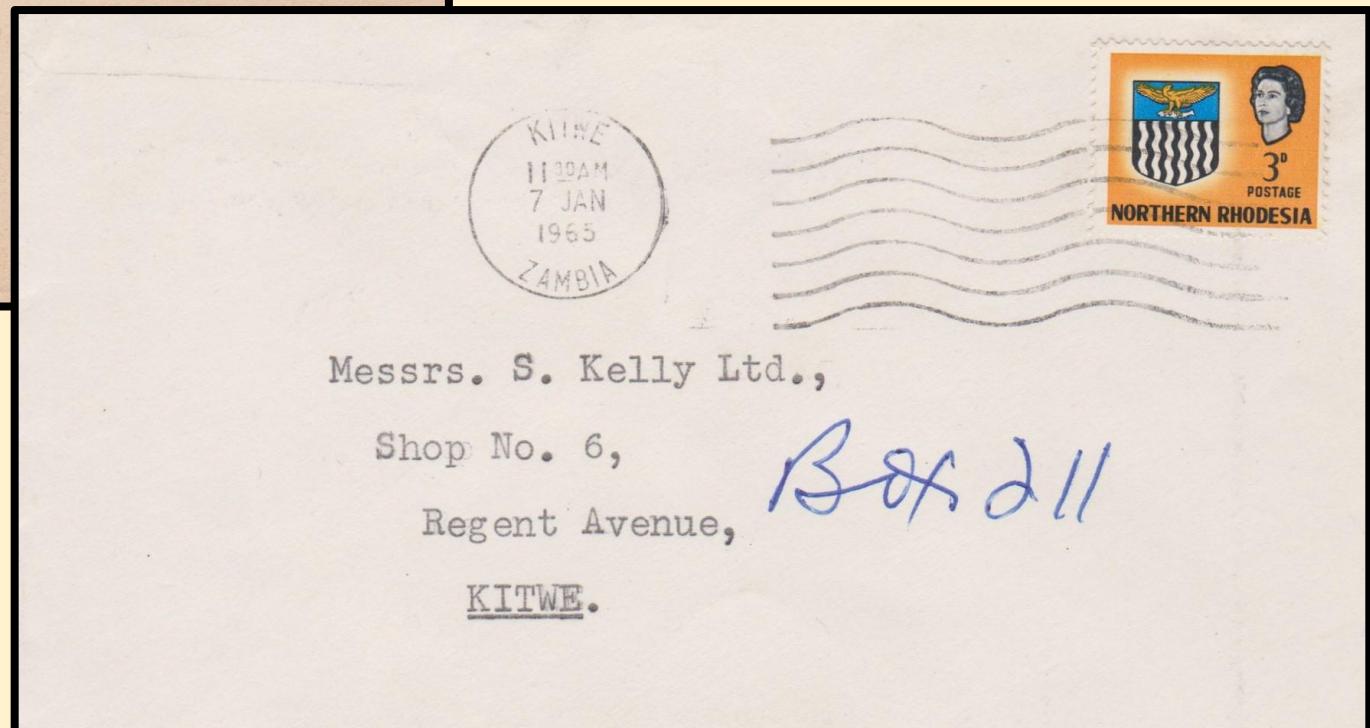


1d Printed Paper Rate used locally in Ndola.

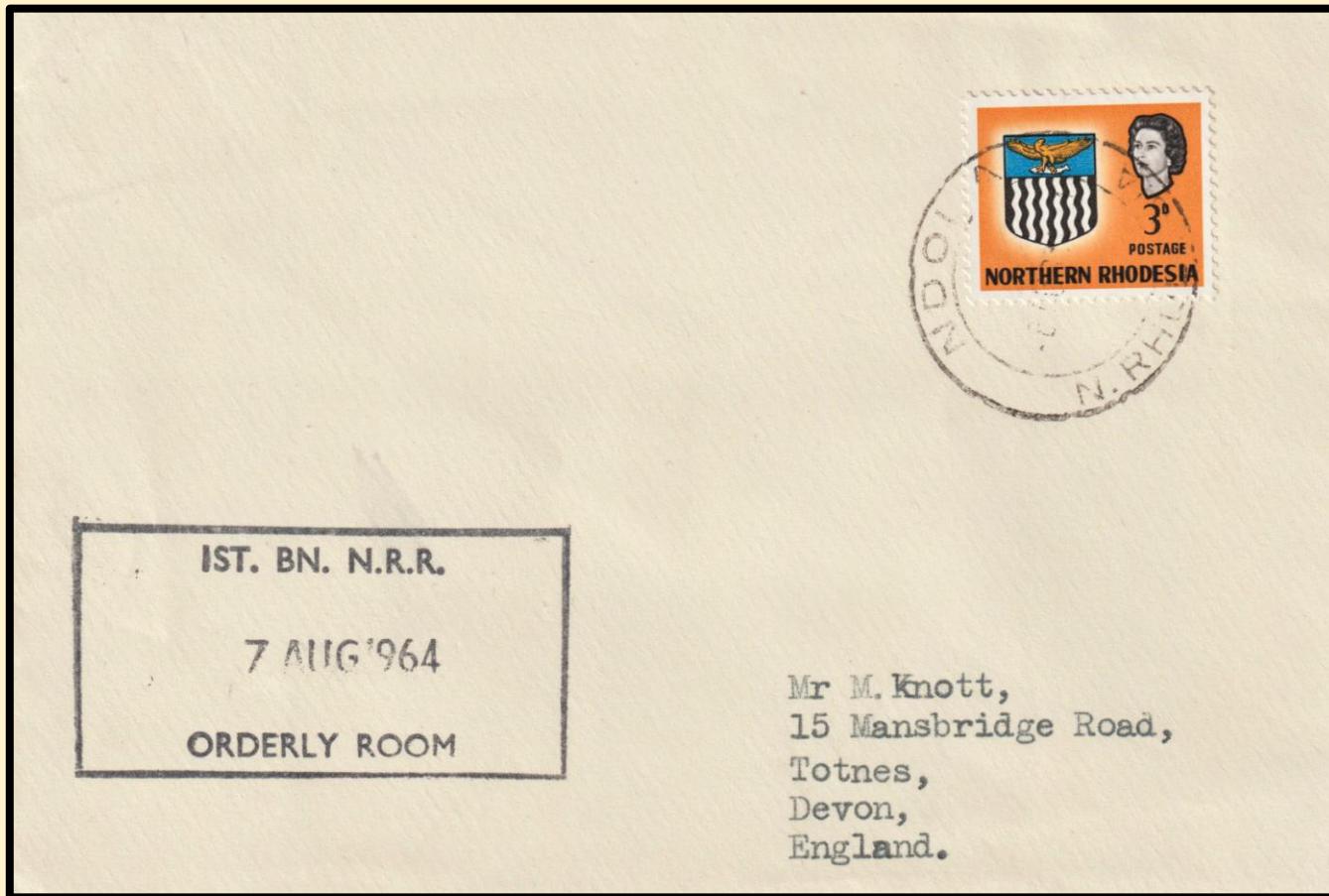
3d Inland Letter Rate
Commercially used in Kitwe.

Ndola.
21/12/63.

Kitwe – 7/1/65.



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Mr M. Knott,
15 Mansbridge Road,
Totnes,
Devon,
England.

3d rated cover from the 1st Battalion Northern Rhodesian Regiment, Ndola to England.

This cover was sent during the 'Holy War' 24/7/64 – 3/9/64. On 24/7/64 a religious sect led by Alice Lenshina attacked Government offices in Lundazi killing one police officer and a constable. 3/8/64 – 1 policeman and 5 children were murdered. 4/8/64 (3 days before this cover was posted) the N.R.R. – 1,500 troops and 400 riot police were flown in to fight a pitched battle using rifles and machine guns against muzzle loaders and bows and arrows. A battle was fought at Lumpa 10/8/64 when 38 Lumpa and 5 security forces were injured. Another battle was fought 3/8/64 when 2 soldiers and 20 of Alice Lenshina were killed this after 18 villages had been burnt down and 46 people had been murdered. In all 557 people died during the Holy war.

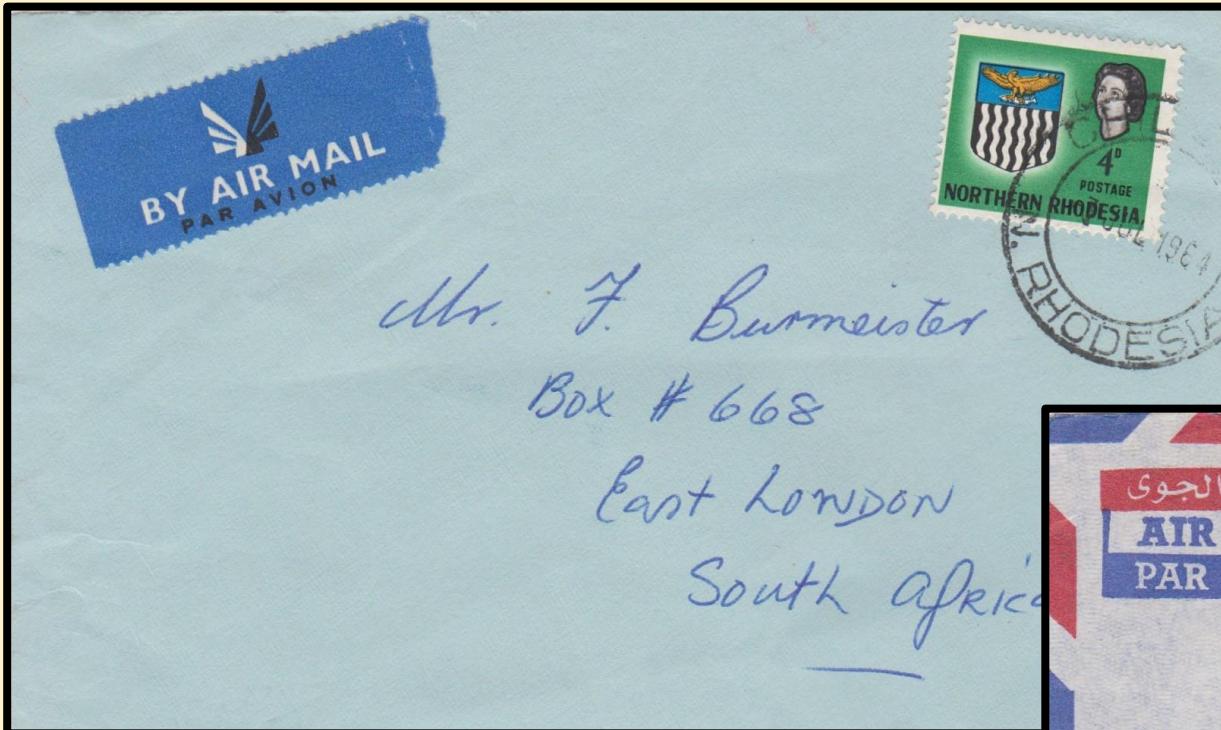


Ndola – 7/8/64.



Cachet of the 1st Battalion N.R.R.

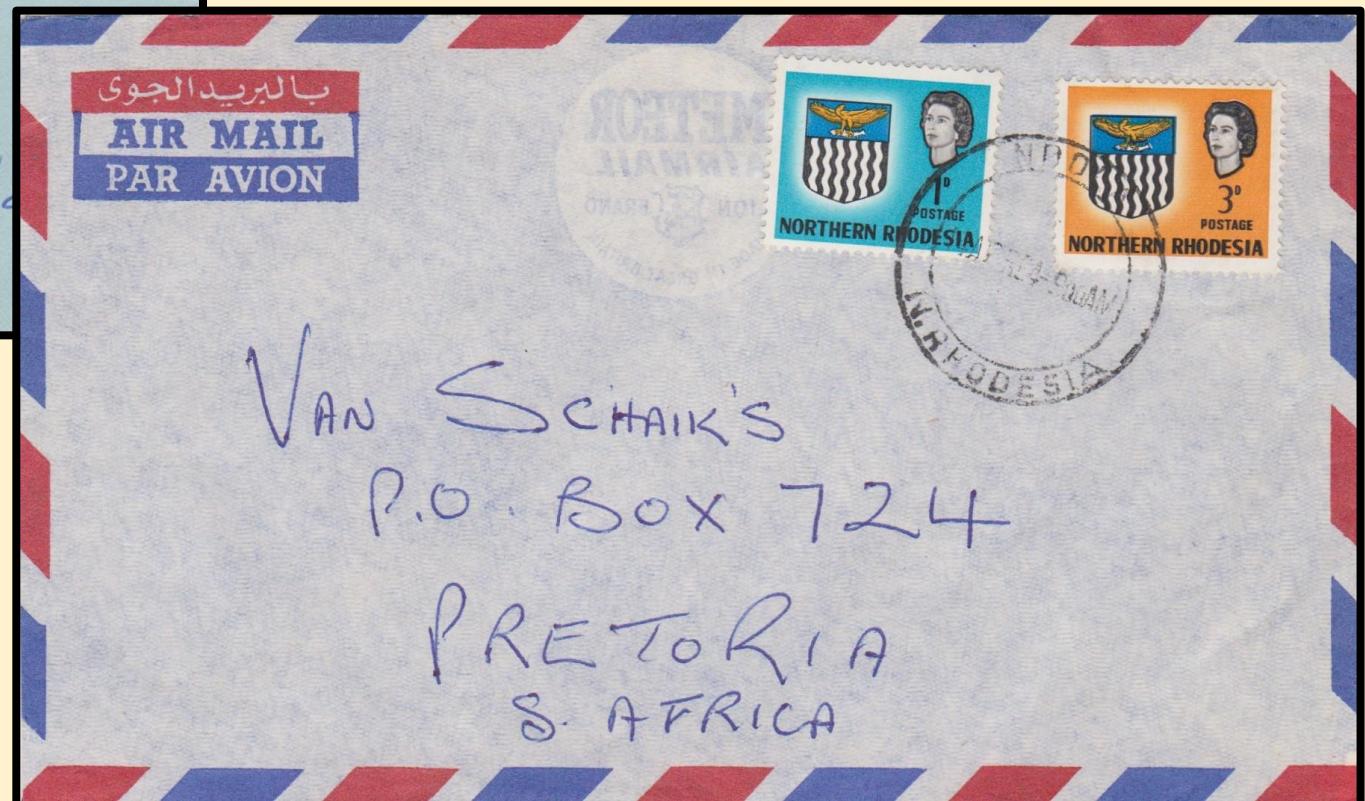
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4d Air Mail Rate, cancelled at Chilenje and addressed to East London, South Africa.

Chilenje.
3/6/64.

Ndola – 14/4/64.



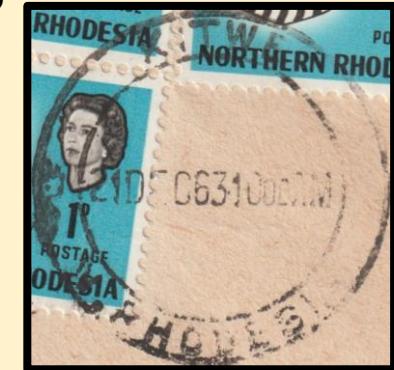
4d. Air Mail Rate to Pretoria, South Africa.

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3d Printed Paper Rate (flap not sealed) on a Christmas Card? Cover from Kitwe to Johannesburg. South Africa.

King George VI Children's Rehabilitation Center is a hospital in Bulawayo, then in S. Rhodesia.



Kitwe - N. Rhodesia - 21/12/63.

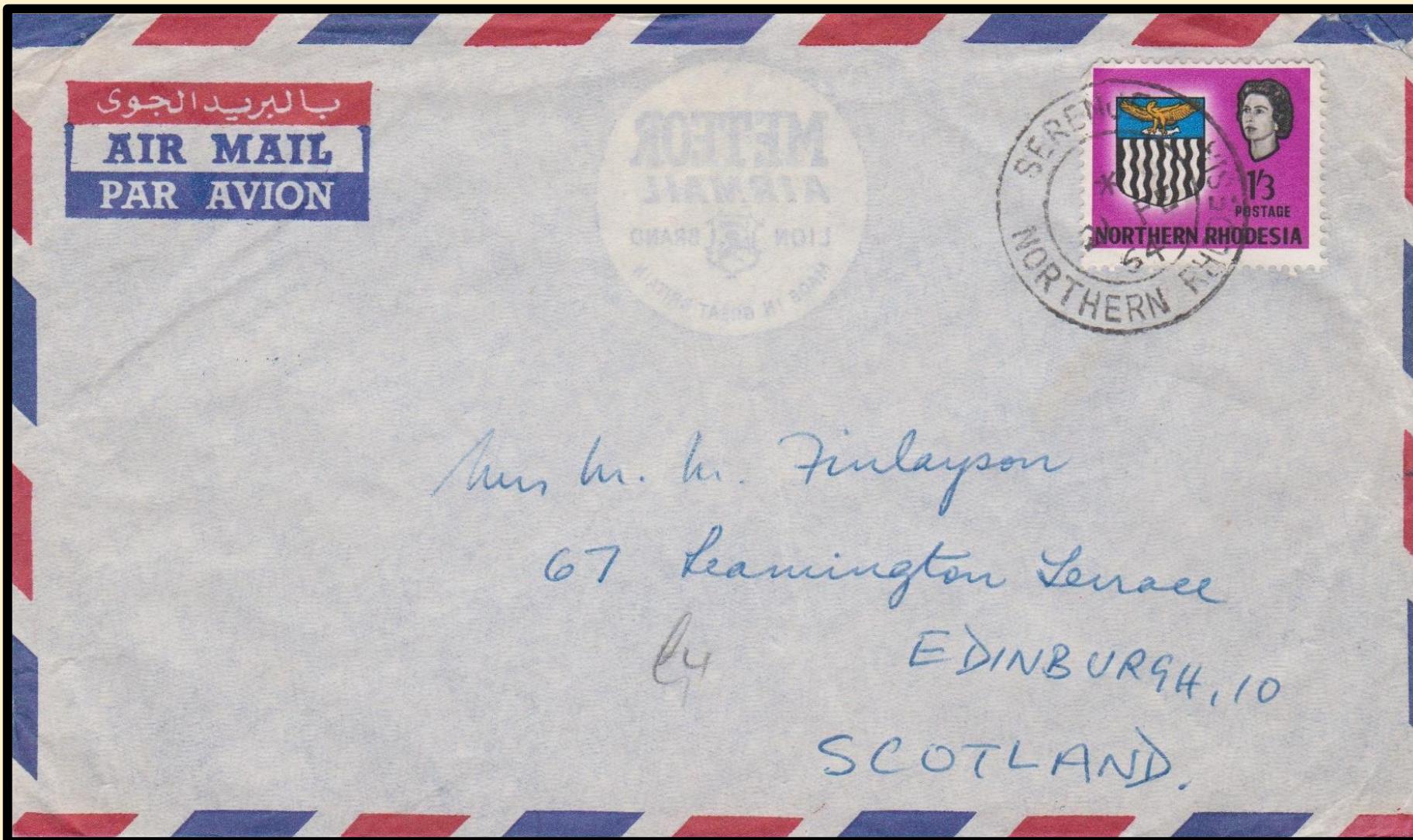


King George VI Children's Rehabilitation Centre – Cinderella Stamp.



Kitwe.
7/2/64.

6d on Rhodesia and Nyasaland Propaganda Air Letter from Kitwe to Scotland.



Serenje.
21/2/64.

1/3d pe 1/2 ounce, Air Mail from Serenje to Edinburgh, Scotland.



Lusaka.
23/4/64.

1/4d on registered Cover Lusaka to Port Elizabeth, South Africa and dated 23/4/64.

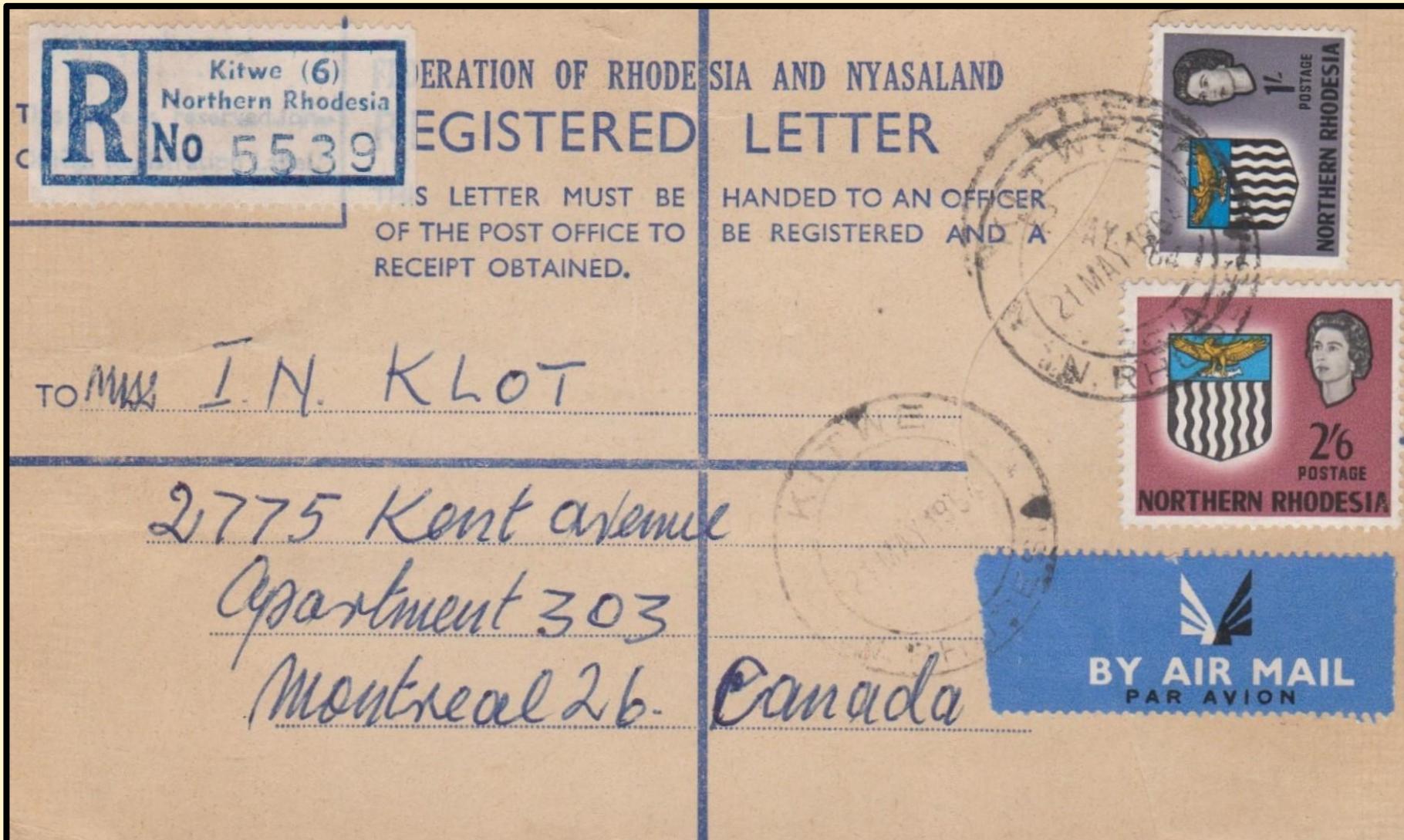
Being 4d Air Mail to South Africa and 1/-Registration Fee.

The manuscript 'A 8395' would indicate that the cover was posted at an agency where being a 'registered' item it was 'recorded' before being forwarded to the controlling Post Office (Lusaka) for registration.



Monza.
21/3/64.

1/4d on Commercial Registered Cover from Monze to Pretoria South Africa.
4d Air Mail plus 1/- Registration Fee.



3/6d on Federation Registered Letter from Kitwe to Montreal, Canada.
2/6d per 1/2 ounce Air Mail to North America plus 1/- Registration fee.

Kitwe.
21/5/64

Lusaka - transit.
22/5/64.



The End.