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EDITOR'S COMMENTS**NEW MEMBER**

We are very pleased to welcome a new member to the Bechuanalands and Botswana Society. He is Mr. Joe Taylor of Well Cottage, Olchard, Sandygate, Newton Abbot, Devon TQ13 0AX, U.K. Joe's interests include Bechuanaland/Botswana to 1982, the Rhodesias from 1913, Zambia (to 1976), Nyasaland and K.U.T. He is also a member of the Rhodesia Study Circle. Welcome aboard Joe!

FUTURE MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Society - the Annual General Meeting - will be held on **Wednesday 11 October 1995** at 'Royal Oak', Regency Street, London S.W.1.

The first meeting of 1996 will be held on **Saturday 23 March 1996** at 'The Union Jack Club', Sandell Street, London (next to Waterloo Station). This is a very pleasant venue also used by some other philatelic Societies.

'CHAIRMAN'S CHALLENGE'

For our philatelic entertainment following the AGM on 11th October 1995 it is planned to hold a simple competition to mark the Society's 10th Anniversary. The Chairman will be the sole judge and will present a small prize to the winner.

Theme. The theme for each entry in 'Ten'. **Size of Exhibit.** Not to exceed 10 sheets.

Content of Exhibit. This must relate to the Bechuanalands and/or Botswana.

Criteria. The main criteria against which will be judged are originality in interpretation of the theme, philatelic content and general interest and the standard of presentation. Each entrant will be allowed a short time to speak about the exhibit if desired.

It is hoped members will make a special effort to attend this Anniversary meeting and that all present will take part in the competition. Please help make it a success - even 10 stamps or 10 postmarks are better than nothing!

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE SOCIETY
HELD AT THE 'ROYAL OAK', REGENCY STREET, LONDON S.W.1,
ON WEDNESDAY 1ST MARCH 1995, COMMENCING AT 2.00pm**

Members Present:

John Inglefield-Watson (Chairman), Jim Catterall, Dennis Firth, Mike George, Aubrey Glassborow and David Hardwick, Alan MacGregor and David Wall.

Apologies For Absence: Andy Andersson, Tony Chilton and Peter van der Molen.

At the commencement of the meeting, members stood in silence in remembrance of **MIKE GEORGE**.

Announcements.

It was announced that DAVID WALL had been co-opted as our new Secretary.

Congratulations were offered to ALAN MACGREGOR for being awarded a silver medal with felicitations, for editorial control of Runner Post, at Benoni 94, the South African National Exhibition.

Auction lots are required. 37 lots had so far been received, but at least 50 would be required before a sale could be held.

The A.G.M. in October 1995 would be our 10th Anniversary meeting. The October issue of Runner Post will have a commemorative cover. There will be a small competition at the A.G.M. with a theme of '10'.

The date of the next meeting will be Wednesday 11th October. It is hoped to hold the Spring 1996 meeting on a Saturday.

David Wall suggested having a special postmark for our 10th Anniversary, but this was considered too expensive.

Philately.

Jim Catterall provided the main display.

The first part was mainly stamps, and included a block of ten 6d revenue stamps of Stellaland, an 1887 ½d British Bechuanaland stamp with 'B' missing, Unappropriated Dies - some of the many duties they were used for, Army Telegraphs, cancellations on 1887 1/- and £5 stamps, 1889 ½d overprint double - one vertical and one inverted, 1893-95 2d with double overprint used at Gaberones, and various other varieties, stamps of the 1891-94 issue with various postmarks, a Protectorate 6d stamp with Gubulawayo postmark, 188-90 ½d values showing a selection of overprints, 1897 ½d stamps mint and used, and the 1935 Silver Jubilee issue used with the Double Flagstaff variety.

Part 2 of Jim's display was postal history, with an 1888 cover sent from Vryburg to England at a rate of 8d, 1892 Taungs to Germany cover at 1s5d, apparently overpaid by 2d, 1892 Vryburg to Port Elizabeth per Northern Express Line, (a coach route), items from the Sitwell correspondence, a postcard Palestine to the Protectorate of 1899, a 1922 Mafeking cover stampless O.H.M.S., Avis de Reception envelope and a 1932 cover carried by the first regular air service South Africa to London, from Tsessebe with two 5/- Bechuanaland 'Seahorse' stamps, which was involved in the Salisbury and Broken Hill crashes. Also included were a 1934 Royal Tour cover with the Royal Tour Official Free handstamp, a 1926 cover from Maun to England sent via Livingstone, Rhodesia, and a 1916 Field Service postcard from a member of the 2nd Mounted Division in France, addressed to Francistown.

Dennis showed eight different sheets of 60 of the 19611 Postage Due stamps, and four Tati Company documents, three cheques and an account for Hut Rent.

John Inglefield-Watson concluded the displays by showing varieties of the 1966 Botswana overprints on Bechuanaland definitives. The constant varieties shown were the 'Sliced I' and 'Broken B'. Also shown were the inverted 'd' for 'P', other minor varieties, and the 7½c value in greenish yellow instead of apple green.

MEMBERS' COMMENTS AND QUERIES

CORRECTIONS TO BOTSWANA AEROGRAMME LISTING (RP 37) - Peter Thy

The colours of the following aerogrammes were incorrectly listed in my summary in The Runner Post, Issue 37, (p797). The correct colour scheme should read as follows:

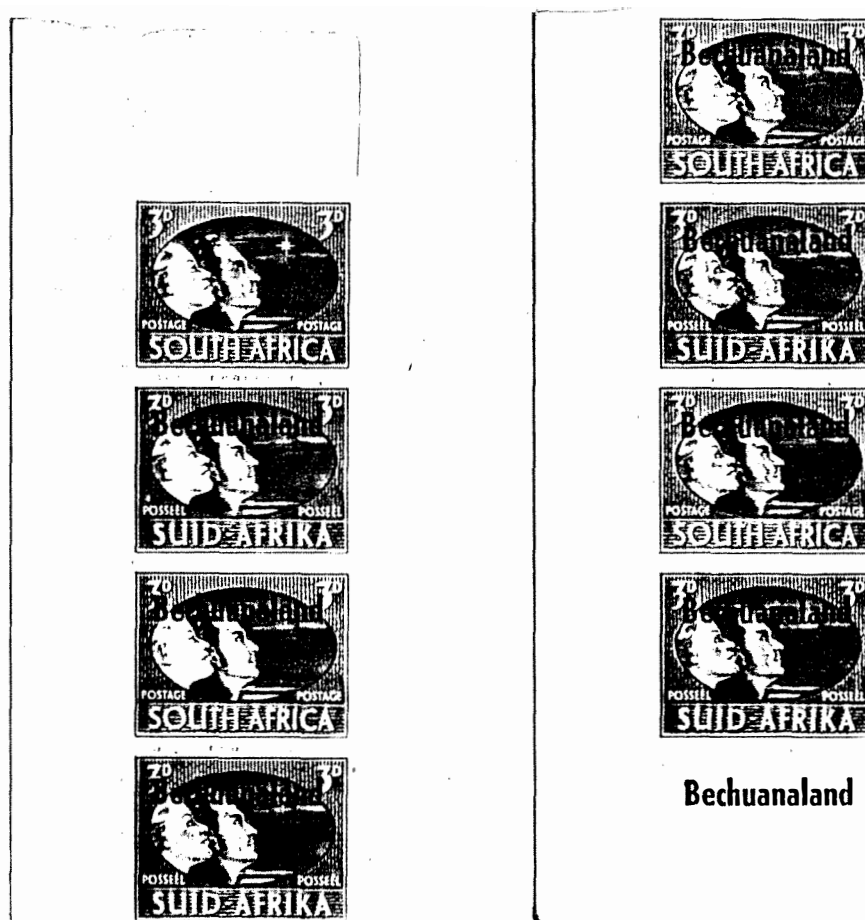
5c 35t. Blue trees / ochre aircraft

6b 20t. Blue trees / ochre aircraft

6c 35t. Blue trees / ochre aircraft

Please report any further errors, disagreements, and any other relevant information. Thanks to John Inglefield-Watson and other members during the March Society meeting for pointing out the errors.

Peter Thy.



R.P.S 127369.

1945 3d VICTORY ISSUE (SG 131) WITH OVERPRINT SHIFTED UPWARDS / DOWNWARDS

In response to Dickon Pollard's appeal for help in RP 38, I enclose a photocopy of two left-hand marginal strips of four, one showing the missing surcharge variety (SG 131a) and the other the overprint displaced downwards into the bottom sheet margin. It is evident that Dickon's stamp almost certainly comes from such a sheet with the overprint shifted downwards. There were 20 horizontal rows of 6 in each sheet.

Acknowledgements are due to the owner of the strips who supplied me with the illustration.

J.F.I-W.

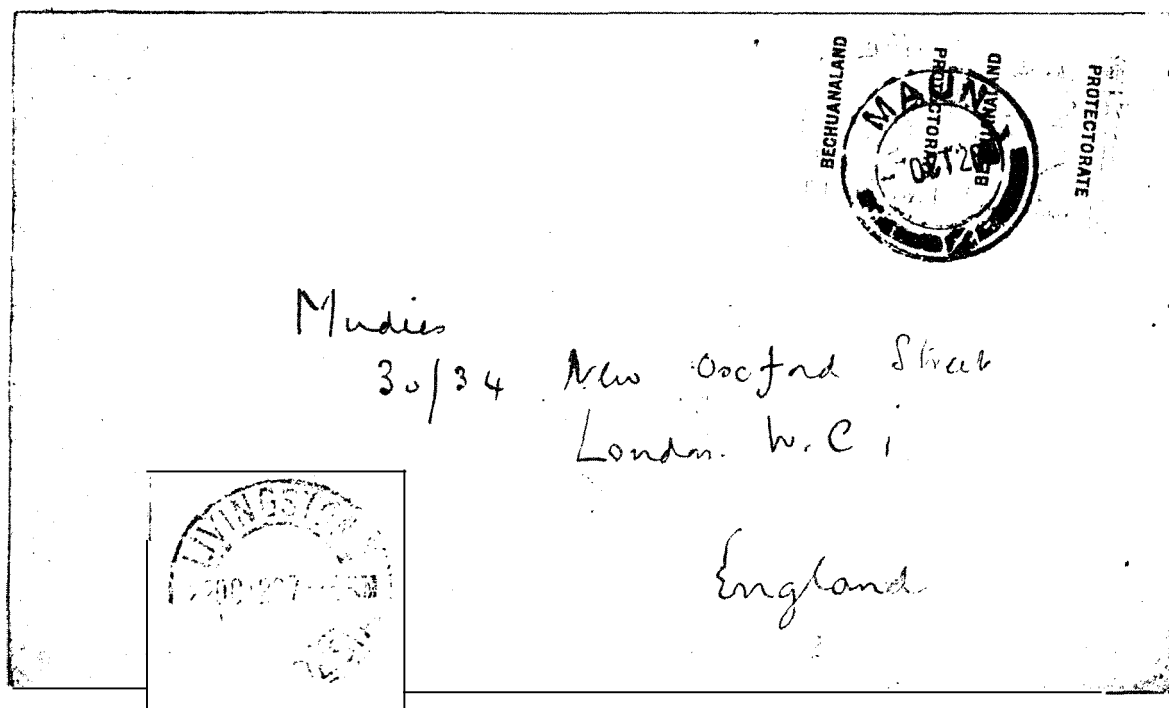
MEMBERS' COMMENTS AND QUERIES

BOTSWANA - 1976 NEW CURRENCY PROVISIONAL SURCHARGES 7t ON 7c CONSTANT VARIETY - John Inglefield-Watson

The first printing of the 1976 new national currency provisional surcharges (SG 367-380) on all 14 values of the 1974 Minerals definitives was made by letterpress by the South African Government Printer, Pretoria. The same printer was responsible for the 3rd printing on 4 values (SG 369a, 372a, 378a, 379a) using the same letterpress type (SG Type I). The 3rd printing differs from the 1st printing in having the surcharge in a different position on the stamp.

'Through the Magnifying Glass' in the September 1982 issue of 'Gibbons Stamp Monthly' included an extract from a letter from a correspondent in Botswana which said that the same plates were used for both printings. The stated evidence for this was the existence of the 7t on 7c value showing a constant variety, a stop before the figure '7', in the same position on both printings. Unfortunately no examples of the variety were supplied with the letter and so it was not illustrated, nor was its sheet position given. To the best of my knowledge the article's appeal for further information remains unanswered.

Can any member provide illustrations of the 7t on 7c value showing the stop before the figure '7' variety on the 1st and 3rd printings? What is its sheet position? Knowing little about printing processes, a further question occurs to me - is it technically feasible for the same plates to have been used for the two printings, bearing in mind that the surcharges were in different positions on the stamps?



MAUN TO ENGLAND VIA NORTHERN RHODESIA

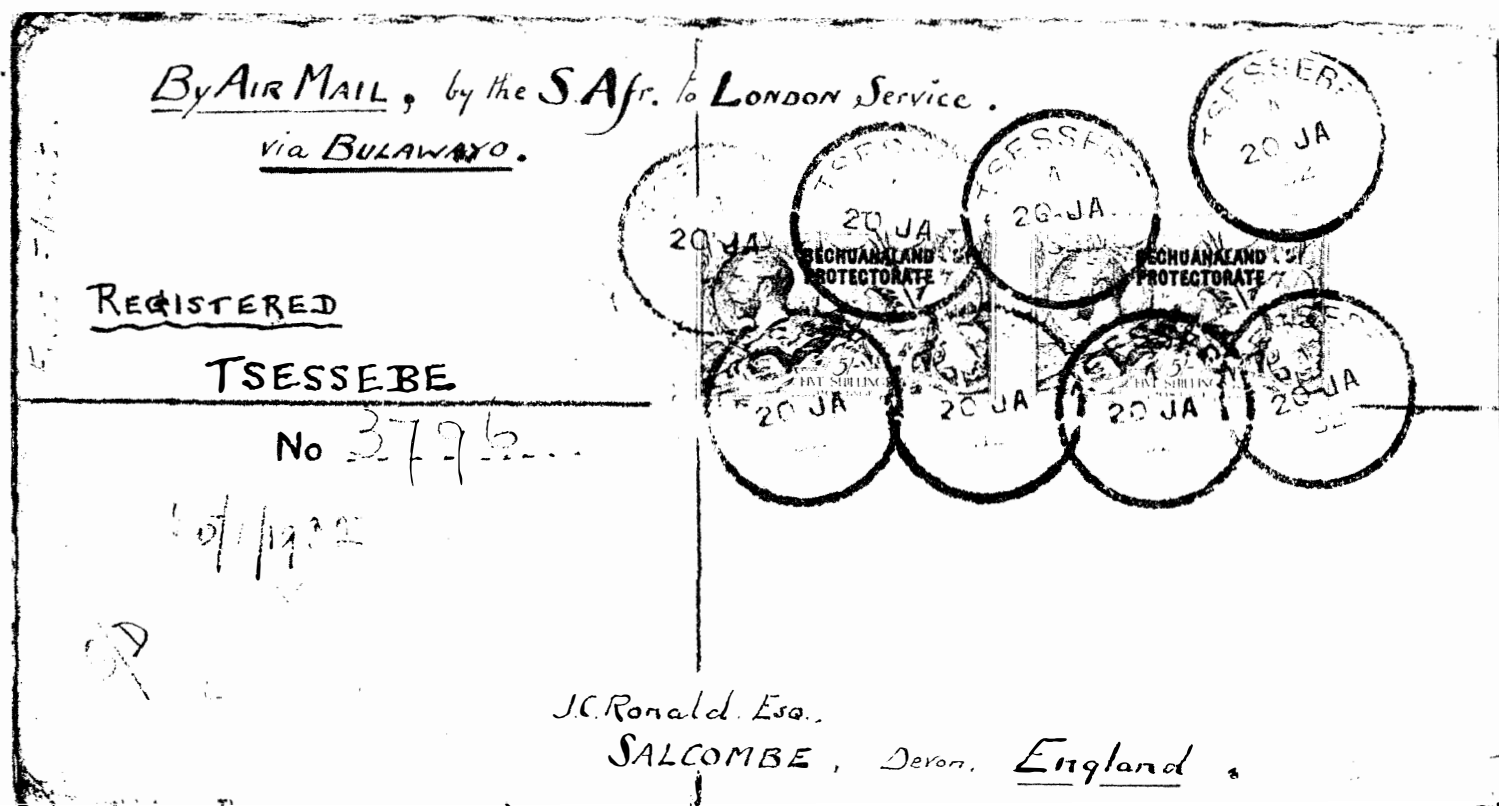
Following Jim Catterall's display at the Society meeting on 1st March, Jim supplied this illustration of a cover posted from Maun to England in October 1926.

What is unusual is the route which, as evidenced by the backstamp, was sent via Livingstone in Northern Rhodesia. The Livingstone cds is dated 22 October 1926. Jim queries if this was a regular or an occasional route and says the answer would reveal if the more direct route to Francistown was still used.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

THE FIRST REGULAR AIRMAIL SERVICE SOUTH AFRICA TO LONDON 1932

Another item shown by Jim Catterall was this spectacular airmail cover. The first northbound flight to London left Cape Town on 27 January 1932. This registered cover was posted at Tsessebe in the Northern Protectorate on 20 January. Despite the manuscript annotation 'via Bulawayo' the cover was sent south by rail to join the flight at Kimberley on 27 January. The plane reached Salisbury on 27 January and then crashed nearby. A relief plane was sent and met a similar fate near Broken Hill. The mail survived and was eventually picked up by the second scheduled flight on 5 February, reaching London on 16 February.



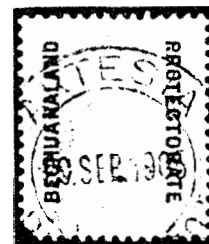
Cover franked with two 5/- Bradbury Wilkinson 'seahorses' cancelled by eight strikes of the Tsessebe datestamp on 20 Jan. 1932. Backstamped Johannesburg 24 Jan., Kimberley 27 Jan. and Salcombe 17 Feb.

ARTESIA POSTMARK

An used example of the KE7 2½d with variety STOP AFTER 'P' IN PROTECTORATE (SG 69a) was recently offered on the postal auction of Clinton Hale. This is illustrated alongside courtesy of Mr Hale. Although the stamp is described as having faults. However, what is equally, if not more interesting than the variety is that the stamp is cancelled with a fine strike of the very scarce ARTESIA cds dated 20 September 1905.

In RP 28 (p551) the Postmark Group stated "Although the office is listed in P.O. Guides for the early 1900's, ... No record of any strikes from the early period noted so far, other than an unspecified cancellation on a ½d 1902 stamp in the Holmes auction (lot 1470).

This would therefore appear to be the first confirmed example.



‘OLDSMOBILE KALAHARI MAIL’

Mr Douglas Smith, a collector in Cape Town, recently showed me an intriguing cutting from an old newspaper, concerning a little-known motor expedition in 1929 and four covers that were carried on that expedition. The cutting, taken from an unnamed and undated (presumably contemporary) newspaper, is reproduced in full below. It is interesting to note the statement that at Gobabis in South West Africa, the mail bag was officially handed over and sealed by the postmaster. Again, at Ghanzi, the postmaster is stated to have “made up a mail bag for the Eastern side of the Kalahari”. Whether this was officially sanctioned by their respective head offices is unknown. Perhaps they were empowered to employ the most efficient transport at their disposal.

Mr Smith kindly loaned the covers which he acquired with the article, as well as an old photograph of the Oldsmobile. All the covers bear impressions of the private cachet used on the expedition. It is a double rimmed 30.5 mm circle and reads ‘OLDSMOBILE / 23 Nov. 1929. / KALAHARI MAIL’. The cachets are struck in black or violet.

SIDELIGHTS ON OLDS EXPEDITION,

Lovers Separated By The Desert

On the eastern fringe of the Kalahari desert lives a young man, engaged to a lady who resides about twenty miles from the last outpost of civilisation on the western side. The courtship is carried on by correspondence. The solitude of the Kalahari no doubt, inspires some wonderful epistles, which their descendants will cherish as a love story of the desert. As the crow flies they are separated by a distance of about 460 miles, yet each message posted takes a month to reach its destination.

When it was known the Oldsmobile expedition would pass through Gobabis to Ghanzi, thence straight across the Kalahari to Molepolole, many requests were made by residents on the western side for letters to be carried across the desert. It was therefore decided to carry a special Oldsmobile Kalahari mail.

When the expedition arrived at Gobabis, the last rail head on that side of the Kalahari, the mail train had just arrived and the mail bag was handed over officially for delivery to the postmaster at Ghanzi. “This particular mail will be nearly a month ahead of its time,” remarked Mr. Scott, the postmaster at Gobabis, as he put the official seal on the bag. He explained that the usual procedure was for a native postman, preceded by a donkey carrying the mail and supplies for the road, to cross from Gobabis to Ghanzi and back each month.

The trip each way takes two weeks and the population of Ghanzi were agreeably surprised when the Oldsmobile delivered the mail in 24 hours.

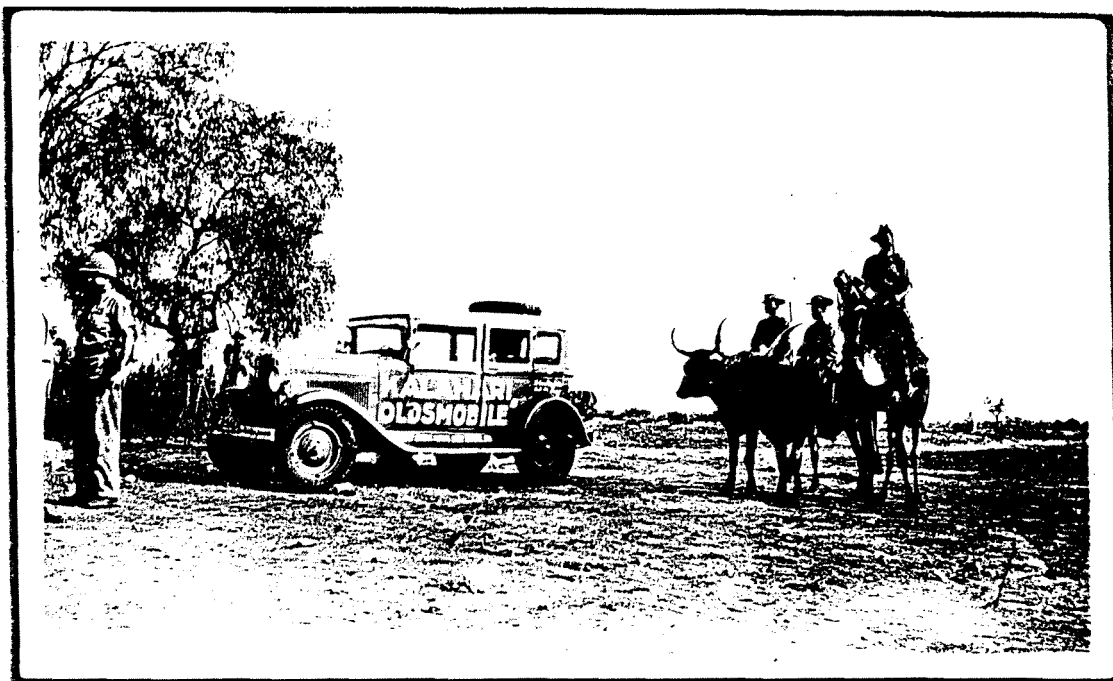
Supplies for Ghanzi are conveyed by ox-wagon which takes about six weeks to cross approximately 210 miles of desert. This is largely due to the absence of water, the oxen having to be unyoked several times during the journey and sent back for water, leaving the load in the desert until they return.

One can therefore, imagine the plight of the lonely inhabitants of Ghanzi should a breakdown occur or in the case of supplies running out before the ox-wagon arrives.

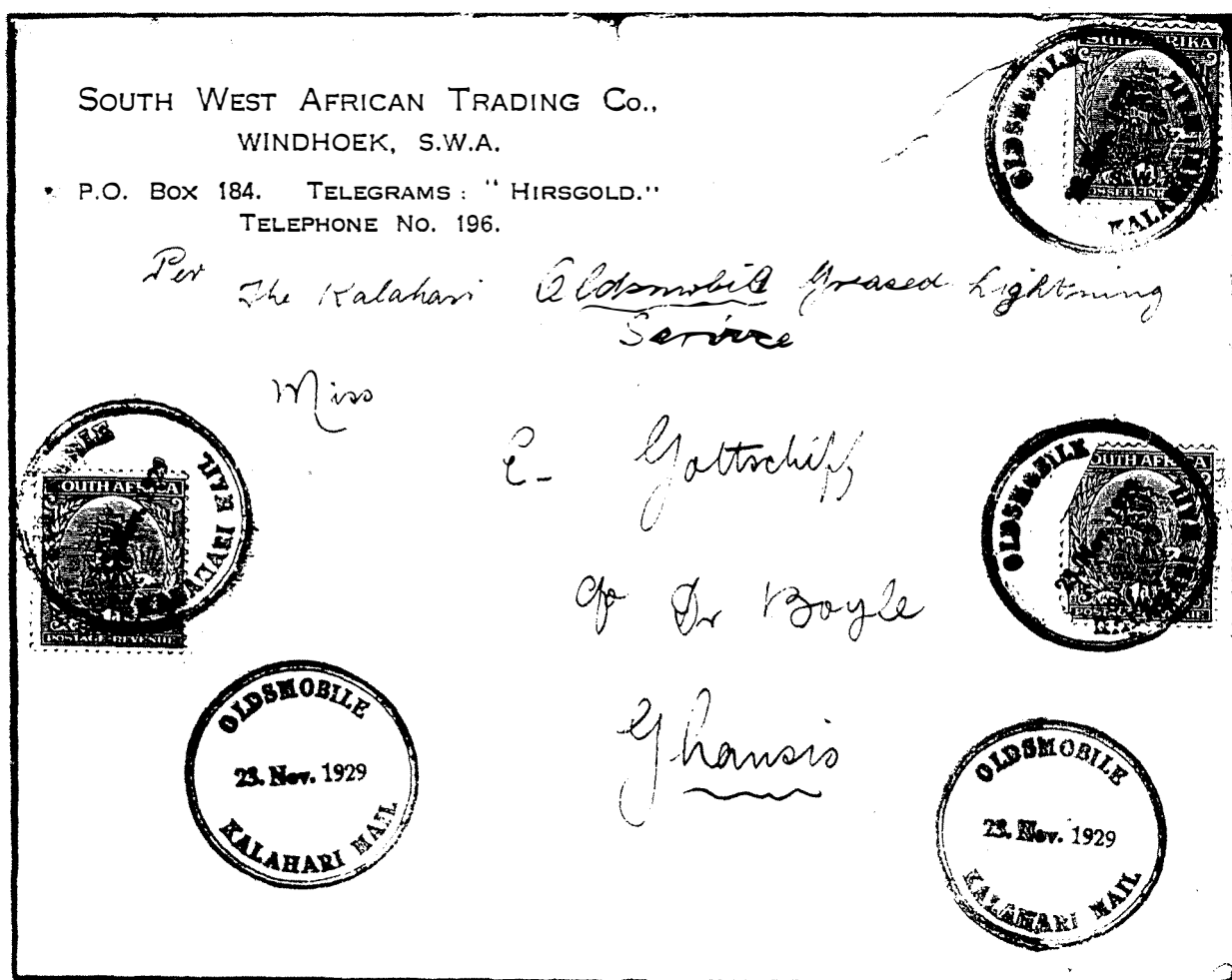
That mechanical transport will shortly supersede the old-fashioned means of conveyance over these desolate wastes is obvious, and the Oldsmobile crossing proved once more how easily the modern motor car abolishes distance and brings civilisation into touch with the more remote outposts in every corner of the globe.

What it means to be isolated for months, and sometimes years, from one's fellow men, only those who live in such out of the way spots of the earth as Ghanzi can understand. In this little out of the world place, with hundreds of miles of thirst on every side, live three of the pioneers of the desert - Mr. W.E. Ellam, Magistrate; Mr. Boyle, who acts as doctor, chemist and postmaster; with Sergeant Campbell in charge of the Camel and Ox Police. These three hardy men control approximately 70,000 square miles of territory, maintaining order among the bushmen, ministering to the sick, carrying out a hundred and one necessary duties under the most trying conditions imaginable. They insisted upon delaying the Oldsmobile mail for several hours, and their hospitality was unbounded. Mr. Boyle, the postmaster, made up a mail bag for the Eastern side of the Kalahari and the ‘Olds’ plunged into the desert towards the rising sun. It had at least given these lonely guardians of the Kalahari new hope of early and rapid contact with civilisation and pointed out to the passing of the obsolete transport which until now has provided their only means of communication with the outside world.

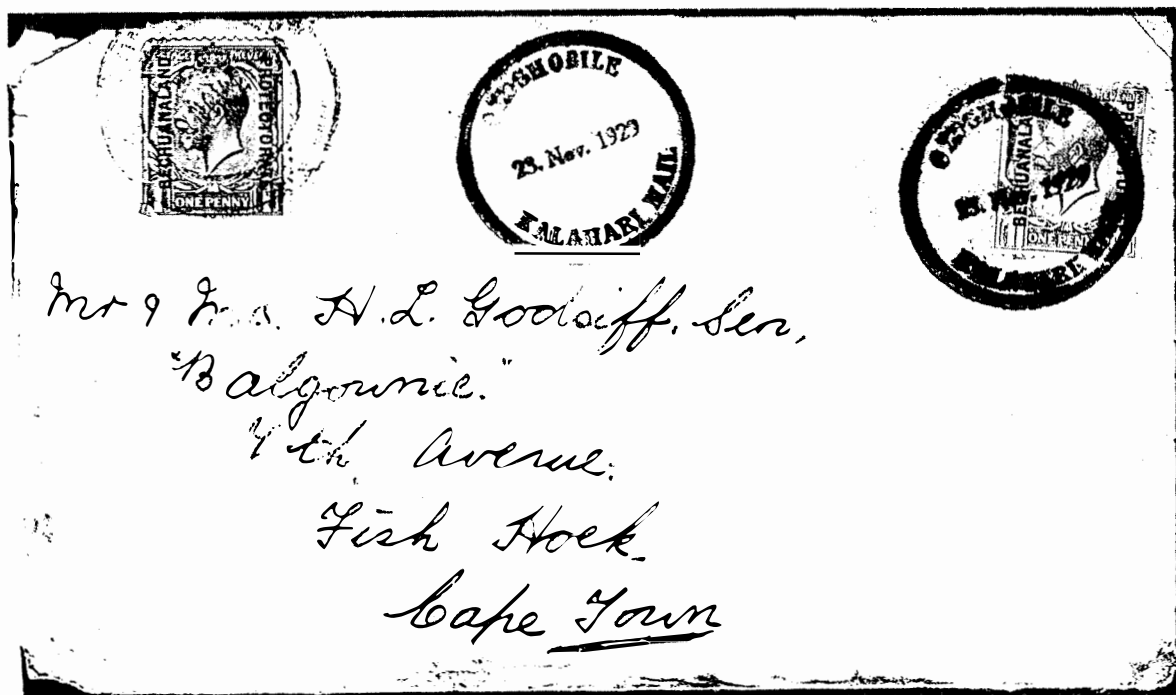
The next delivery of the mail was at Molepolole, 460 miles across the desert, followed by Gaberones and Johannesburg.



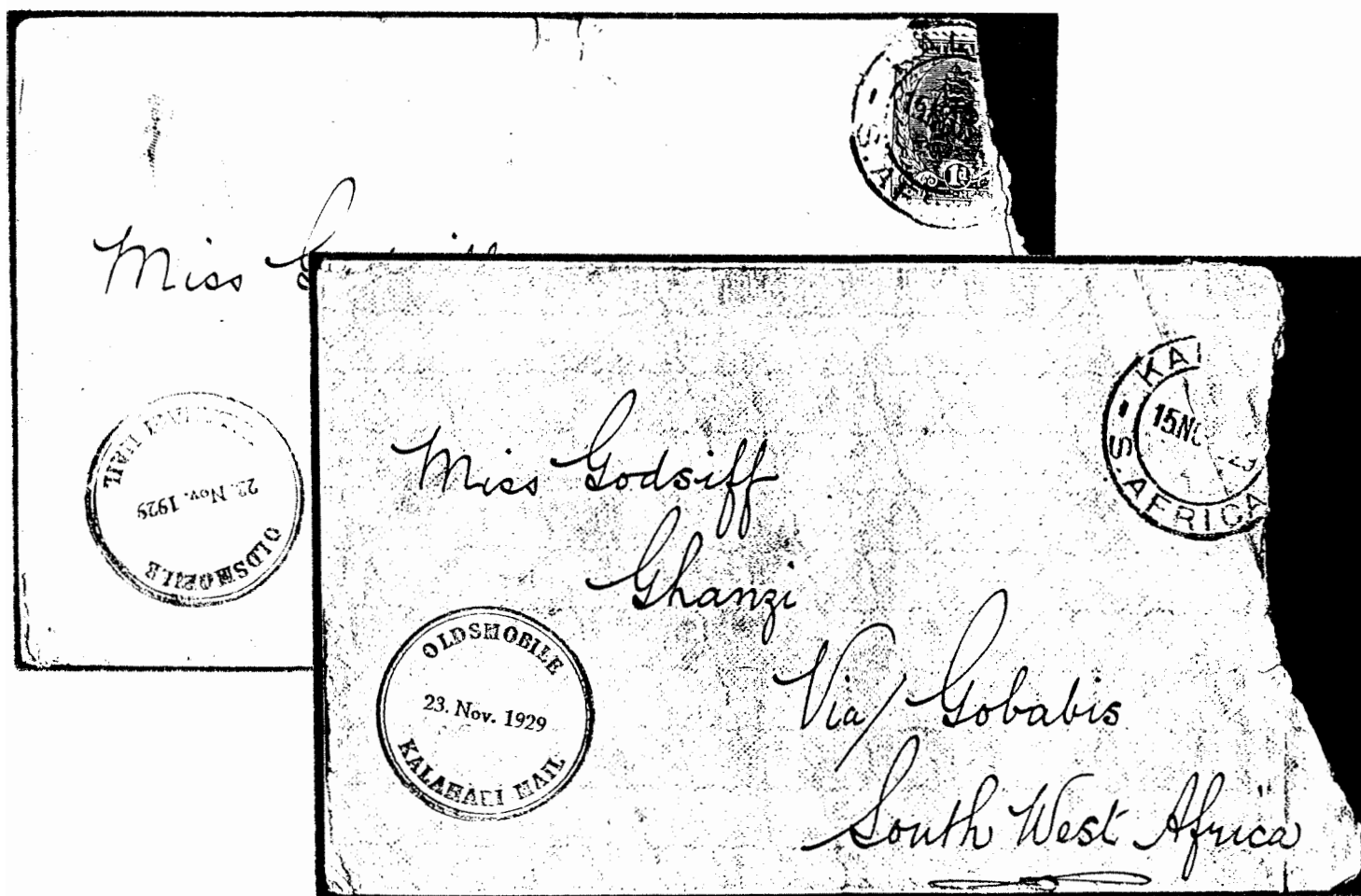
Photograph of the 'Kalahari Oldsmobile' at an unknown location. Note the mounted police - one on a camel.



A cover addressed to 'Ghansis' (sic) bearing three South African 1d 'Ship' stamps overprinted 'S.W.A.' All stamps are 'cancelled' with the special expedition cachet. There are no postal cancellations. It would appear from the imprint that the cover originated in Windhoek. Various manuscript endorsements include 'Per The Kalahari Oldsmobile Greased Lightning Service'.



The second 'outgoing' cover is addressed to Fish Hoek, Cape Town and bears two copies of the G. B. KG5 1d overprinted for Bechuanaland. One is cancelled with the special cachet while the other is cancelled with what appears to be a Gaberones Station cds, where the cover presumably entered the regular mails.



Two 'incoming' covers (both damaged - one with S.A. 1d 'Ship' stamp, and the other with stamp missing) are illustrated above. They were posted on 15 November at Kalk Bay (adjoining Fish Hoek) and are both addressed to Ghanzi 'Via Gobabis'. Both were backstamped at Gobabis on 23 November.

POSTAL STATIONERY OF BOTSWANA: STAMPLESS REGISTERED ENVELOPES

Peter Thy, John Inglefield-Watson, and Andy Andersson

The following is a summary of the stampless registered envelopes issued by the Postal Services of Botswana. The listing is, in part, based on previous discussions by John Inglefield-Watson in the *Runner Post*.¹⁻³ However, we choose here to list and illustrate all envelopes for clarity and completeness. We anticipate that the final word has not yet been said, and invite anybody to report disagreements and additions.

A. British Style Envelopes

The Protectorate QEII stamped envelopes exist in two sizes (G, 151 x 93 mm; H, 201 x 126 mm), and were produced by Thomas de la Rue. A late printing of the size H envelope was produced by McCorquodale, and differs slightly in dimensions (202 x 127 mm). This later printing is only known used after Independence. Compared to the QEII envelopes, the stampless Botswana envelopes differ slightly in dimensions (G, 156 x 96 mm; H, 204 x 121-127 mm). In addition, the form of the flap is straight (similar to the McCorquodale QEII stamped envelopes). This shows that the stampless envelopes were cut by different blades from those used by Thomas de la Rue for the stamped envelopes. In contrast, they show several similarities to, but still differ in details from the McCorquodale size H knife used for the stamped envelopes. A detailed examination of the size H stampless envelope reveals two distinct dimensions (204 x 127 and 204 x 121 mm). The production of the slightly smaller envelope may reflect the 1967 Great Britain reduction of the size H envelope from 8x5 to 8x4¾ inches. It has been argued that the most likely printer was McCorquodale.^{2,4,6} The alternative view is that the different blades knives signify a new printer. A local printer is unlikely because of the problems involved in internal fabric reinforcement applied to the envelopes.⁴ For these reasons, we favour McCorquodale as the printer.

1967? Instructions in dark blue lettering on pale buff paper. Inner lined with fabric reinforcement. Similar to the QEII stamped envelopes issued by the Protectorate, except that lines for sender's name and address have been added on the back, and the stamp box has been moved up and its text simplified. For the size H envelope, the instructions have been changed to lower case.

- RE 1. Fabric reinforcement, dimension 155-156 x 96 mm (size G)
- RE 2. Fabric reinforcement, dimension 204 x 127 mm (size H)
- RE 2a. Fabric reinforcement, dimension 204 x 121 mm (size H)

The printer is unknown, but probably McCorquodale. Cattell recollects that the size G envelope was issued late in March 1967, or earlier.⁴ Earliest known usage of size G is 15 Dec 1968. The larger size H envelope is known used between 3 Jan 1969 and 1970, and the smaller size H envelope between 20 Oct 1972 and 1974.

1975? Thicker, coarse lettering on white paper with pale turquoise-blue internal lining, and without fabric reinforcement. Apart from the lack of fabric reinforcement, these envelopes differ only slightly from the previous issues. The best distinguishing feature is the bluish internal lining, but a slight resetting of the instructions can be seen.

- RE 3. Blue internal lining, dimension 155 x 96 mm (size G)
- RE 4. Blue internal lining, dimension 204 x 121 mm (size H)

The printer is unknown. Earliest recorded usage for the size G envelope is 2 April 1975, and for the size H envelope 8 March 1976.

B. South African Style Envelopes: Top Opening

1978? Small 'R' enclosed in 17 mm circle. Large flap with concave curved sides and opening at the top. Ultramarine lettering on pale creamy white paper. The envelope size is 160 x 114 cm. The warning notice on the reverse is given in two paragraphs.

- RE 5. 'R' in 17 mm circle. Opening at top

The printer is unknown. The earliest recorded usage is 9 March 1978.

1979? Large 'R' in oval sized about 29 x 23 mm. Large flap with straight sides and opening at top. Pale blue lettering on whitish paper. Envelope size of 163x113 mm. The warning notice on the reverse is given in three paragraphs.

RE 6. 'R' in 29 x 23 mm oval. Opening at top

The printer is unknown; however, the change in the cutting blade may suggest a new printer. The earliest recorded date is 1 Feb 1979.

1983? Large 'R' in 26 mm circle. Large flap with concave curved sides and opening at the top (only very small differences from the cutting blade used for RE 5). Blue lettering on whitish paper. The envelope size is 160 x 114 mm. The warning notice on the reverse is given in three paragraphs.

RE 7. 'R' in 26 mm circle. Opening at top

The printer is unknown. The earliest recorded usage is 26 July 1983. This is the envelope illustrated by the Postal Services in their 1990 annual pamphlet of postage stamp issues.^[7]

C. South African Style Envelopes: Side Opening

The following envelopes all have the same basic design with a large 'R' in an oval, and open to the right. However, two cutting blades and gum application methods were used. In addition, printer's names occur under the flap of some envelopes, the dimensions of the ovals differ, as well as the lettering. All the envelopes are printed in blue on white to dull whitish paper. The ink varies widely from very pale blue to nearly blackish blue. Some of this variation may be related to different printings; nevertheless, most is probably due to variation within individual printings and has little significance. This envelope design was probably introduced in the late 70s or early 80s. however, it is interesting to note that the same basic design was in use in the Republic of South Africa from 1972, or earlier. Unfortunately, our information on printer and printings is limited to after 1988. Therefore, it is likely that some of the following envelopes may have been issued earlier than indicated in the following listings. Where we have such evidence, this is pointed out. As more information accumulates, the following listing must clearly be updated.

It is known that the Postal Services after 1988 have had two main contractors for printing the envelopes (Twinlock and Tension). There are two different blades used for cutting the envelopes, easily identified by the shape of the flap (straight or curved). In addition, all envelopes with straight flap have horizontal rippled gum, while all envelopes with curved flap have vertical rippled gum. Production-wise, there are clearly two different envelopes. The curved flap envelopes are produced by Twinlock, while the straight flap envelopes are produced by Tension. All Twinlock envelopes are similar and different printings can not normally be identified. In contrast, the Tension envelopes appear to have changed slightly several times and most, if not all printings after 1988 can be identified.

It appears both prime contractors have used subcontractors for the production of the envelopes. Sometimes the subcontractor has left its imprint on the envelopes, probably without the knowledge of the main contractor. It is interesting that the same subcontractor (Knoxprint) has been used by both prime contractors. This shows that form and cutting blades were supplied by the main printing contractor (perhaps also other tools and materials).

1982? Large 'R' in 29 x 23 mm oval. Straight flap opening to the right. Colour blue on white paper. Gum horizontally rippled. No printer identification under flap.

RE 8. 'R' in 29 x 23 mm oval. Straight flap

The printer is unknown. The details of the envelopes and its production are very similar to later Tension products (compare in particular RE 12). The earliest date of usage is 20 Oct 1984, but examples were obtained from the Postal Service in Nov 1982 as their then current envelope.

1984? Large 'R' in 30-30.5 x 23.5 mm oval. Straight flap opening to the right. Colour pale blue to blue on white paper. Gum horizontally rippled. No printer identification under flap. Thick framed stamp box and thicker lettering than RE 8. The thickness of the stamp frame (1.25-1.5 mm) and lettering appear to reach their thickest form in late printings.

RE 9. 'R' in 30-30.5 x 23.5 mm oval. Thick framed stamp box, straight flap

Printer unknown, but envelope very similar to other Tension products. Earliest usage seen - 1984 (date not clear) and 13 May 1987 on thickest form.

1988?. Large 'R' in 33 x 24 mm oval. Straight flap opening to the right. Colour blue on white paper. Gum horizontally rippled. Printer identification under flap is given as 'DI.' Closing bracket included after '(MOROMEDI-SENDER)' on back of envelope (all other envelopes of the present design lack the closing bracket).

RE 10. 'R' in oval (33 x 24 mm). Straight flap, 'DI' under flap. Dull whitish paper

RE 10a. Same, but on bright white paper

The printer was Tension. There appear to be two paper types used for this issue. An early printing, recorded used from 29 Dec 1988, is on a dull whitish paper, while a bright white paper and a brighter blue colour ink was used for a later printing during August 1992, so far only known used from 1 Feb 1993. It is known that a total of 1,000,000 envelopes was produced for the later printing. This printing has been seen with a packing label reading "Manufactured by SILVERAY STATIONERY...." The SILVERAY STATIONERY imprint is found under the flap of the current South African registered envelopes.

1988. Large 'R' in 30 x 23 mm oval. Curved flap opening to the right. Colour blue to deep violet blue on varying creamy to white paper. Gum irregular, but vertically rippled. No printer identification under flap.

RE 11. 'R' in 30 x 23 mm oval. Curved flap
1988 printing 75,000 envelopes
1990 printing 150,000 envelopes
1992 (Jan) printing 500,000 envelopes.

The printer was Twinlock. We have identified three printings of this envelope; it is nevertheless very likely that earlier printings exist. For the 1988 printing, approximately 30,000 envelopes were printed with damaged 'R', and approximately 45,000 with repaired 'R'. The two subsequent printings can not be distinguished from the last part of the first printing. It is uncertain whether the example shown here represents the repaired or the damaged 'R' types. However, since this is the only type seen by us, and only 30,000 envelopes with damage to 'R' were produced, it is likely that the envelope with the slightly deformed 'R' shown here represents the repaired version. Earliest recorded usage 1 April 1988. The envelopes occur with two types of 'Specimen' overprint (printed and handstamped), and also show the slight damage to the 'R.' These specimens are printer's samples. For a very similar 1991 printing, but now with completely repaired 'R', see RE 13.

1989. Large 'R' in 30.5 x 22 mm oval. Straight flap opening to the right. Colour blue on white paper. Gum horizontally rippled. Printer identification under flap 'KNOXPRINT' (large capital lettering, 14 mm). Note the similarities between this envelope and RE 8.

RE 12. 'R' in 30.5 x 22 mm oval. Straight flap, 'KNOXPRINT' in large capital letters under flap

The printer was Tension, and total printing was 120,000 envelopes and was delivered in 1989. We have only seen this envelope used from 11 March 1992.

1991. Large 'R' in 30 x 23 mm oval. Curved flap opening to the right. Colour slate violet to ultramarine on white paper. Gum irregular, but vertically rippled. Printer identification under flap 'KNOXPRINT' (small capital letters, 9.5 mm). Note the completely repaired 'R.'

RE 13. 'R' in 30 x 23 mm oval. Curved flap, 'Knoxprint' in small capital letters under flap

The printer was Twinlock, and total printing 500,000 envelopes made in 1991. Seen used 24 March 1992.

Notes

- [1] Inglefield-Watson, J., 1989. The Runner Post 17, 309-311.
- [2] Inglefield-Watson, J., 1992. The Runner Post 25, 471-477.
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<p>REGISTERED</p> <p>This Letter must be given to an Officer registered and a Receipt</p> <p>LOKWALO LO LO</p> <p>Lokwalo lo lo chwanetse go neelwa letlamela a bo a ntshe</p>	<p>LETTER.</p> <p>of the Post Office to be obtained for it.</p> <p>TLAMELWANG.</p> <p>modiredi wa Poso go seshupo sa lona.</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center; margin-bottom: 10px;"> Postage Stamp. Setempe sa tuelo ya Poso. </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px;"> <p style="text-align: center;">Name and address of sender Leina le aterese ya moromedi</p> <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin: 5px 0;"/> <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin: 5px 0;"/> <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin: 5px 0;"/> </div>
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RE 1

LETTER.

of the Post Office to be
obtained for it.

TLAMELWANG.

modiredi wa Poso go
seshupo sa lona.

REGISTERED

This Letter must be given to an Officer
registered and a Receipt

LOKWALO LO LO

Lokwalo lo lo chwanetse go neelwa
letlamela a bo a ntshhe

Postage
Stamp.
Setempe
sa tuelo
ya Poso.

Name and address of sender

Leina le aterese ya moromedi

RE 2

<div>Postage Stamp. Setempe sa tuelo ya Poso.</div>	
<div><div>REGISTERED</div><div>This Letter must be given to an Officer registered and a Receipt</div><div>LOKWALO LO LO</div><div>Lokwalo lo lo chwanetse go neelwa letlamela a bo a ntshe</div></div>	<div><div>LETTER.</div><div>of the Post Office to be obtained for it.</div><div>TLAMELWANG.</div><div>modiredi wa Poso go seshupo sa lona.</div></div>
<div>Name and address of sender Leina le aterese ya moromedi</div>	

RE 3

LETTER.

of the Post Office to be
obtained for it.

TLAMELWANG.

modiredi wa Poso go
seshupo sa lona.

REGISTERED

This Letter must be given to an Officer
registered and a Receipt

LOKWALO LO LO


Lokwalo lo lo chwanetse go neelwa
letlamela a bo a ntshe

Postage
Stamp.
Setempe
sa tuelo
ya Poso.

Name and address of sender

Leina le aterese ya moromedl

RE 4

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>TLHAGISO:</u></p> <p>1 Lokwalo lo lo neelwe modiredi wa Poso yo o tla go nayang se supo sa gore o lo tsere.</p> <p>2 Tuelo e motho a ka e bonang fa lokwalo lo lo lathegile e laolwa ke melawana ya poso.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>WARNING:</u></p> <p>1 This letter must be handed in at a post office for registration and a receipt obtained therefor.</p> <p>2 Compensation for the loss of a registered letter is subject to the conditions prescribed in the Postal regulations.</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center; margin-bottom: 10px;"> Ditempe di manegitwe fa. Stamps to pay postage and registration must be placed here. </div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-bottom: 20px;">  </div> <p style="text-align: center;">LOKWALO LO FA LOSA AMOGELWA LO BUSEDIWE KWA GO: IF UNDELIVERED PLEASE RETURN TO:</p> <div style="border-top: 1px dashed black; height: 10px; margin: 5px 0;"></div> <div style="border-top: 1px dashed black; height: 10px; margin: 5px 0;"></div> <div style="border-top: 1px dashed black; height: 10px; margin: 5px 0;"></div> <div style="border-top: 1px dashed black; height: 10px; margin: 5px 0;"></div> <p style="text-align: center;">MOROMEDI-SENDER</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; padding-top: 20px;"> <div style="width: 45%; text-align: center;"> <p>SEGA FA</p> </div> <div style="width: 45%; text-align: center;"> <p>CUT OPEN HERE</p> </div> </div>
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RE 5

GO/TO:

GO: TO
SEMILOH AGENCIES
P.O. BOX 93053
JEDVILLE
2143.
SOUTH AFRICA.

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RE 6

<p style="text-align: center;">TLHAGISO:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Lokwalo lo lo neelwe modiredi wa Poso yo o tla go nayang se supo sa gore o lo tsere. 2 Tuelo e motho a ka e bonang fa lokwalo lo lo lathegile e laolwa ke melawana ya poso. 3 O se tsenye madi a a feteng P10 mo lokwalong lo. 	<p style="text-align: center;">WARNING:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 This letter must be handed in at a post office for registration and a receipt obtained therefor. 2 Compensation for the loss of a registered letter is subject to the conditions prescribed in the Postal Regulations. 3 Not more than P10 is to be enclosed in this envelope.
<p>Stamps to pay postage and registration must be placed here.</p>	
	
<p>LOKWALO LO FA LOSA AMOGELWA LO BUSEDIWE KWA GO: IF UNDELIVERED PLEASE RETURN TO:</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>	
<p>SEGA FA</p>	<p>MOROMEDI - SENDER</p>
<p>CUT OPEN HERE</p>	

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RE 7

<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p style="font-size: small;">Ditsempe di managwe fa. Stamps to pay postage and registration must be placed here.</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 100px;">  <p style="font-size: x-large; font-weight: bold;">R</p> </div> <p style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;">SEGA FA</p>	<div style="text-align: center; margin-bottom: 20px;"> <p>TLHAGISO:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lokwalo lo lo neelwe modiredi wa Poso yo o tla go nayang se supo sa gore o lo tsere. 2. Tuelo e motho a ka e bonang fa lokwalo lo lo lathegile e laolwa ke melawana ya poso. 3. O se tsenye madi a a fetang P10 mo lokwalong lo. </div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-bottom: 20px;"> <p>WARNING:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This letter must be handed in at a post office for registration and a receipt obtained therefor. 2. Compensation for the loss of a registered letter is subject to the conditions prescribed in the Postal Regulations. 3. Not more than P10 is to be enclosed in this envelope. </div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-bottom: 20px;"> <p>LOKWALO LO FA LOSA AMOGELWA LO BUSEDIWE KWA GO: IF UNDELIVERED PLEASE RETURN TO:</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-bottom: 20px;"> <p>(MOROMEDI) SENDER</p> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <p>SEGA FA</p> <p>CUT OPEN HERE</p> </div>
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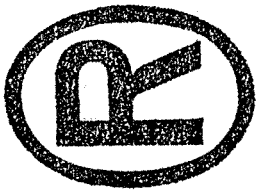
GO:/TO:

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RE 8

<p>Ditomphe di manegwe fa. Stamps to pay postage and registration must be placed here.</p>	<u>TLHAGISO:</u>	<u>WARNING:</u>
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lokwalo lo lo neelwe modiredi wa Poso yo o tla go nayang se supo sa gore o lo tsere. 2. Tuelo e motho a ka e bonang fa lokwalo lo lo lathegile e laolwa ke melawana ya poso. 3. O se tsenye madi a a fetang P10 mo lokwalong lo. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This letter must be handed in at a post office for registration and a receipt obtained therefor. 2. Compensation for the loss of a registered letter is subject to the conditions prescribed in the Postal Regulations. 3. Not more than P10 is to be enclosed in this envelope.
	LOKWALO LO FA LOSA AMOGELWA LO BUSEDIWE KWA GO: IF UNDELIVERED PLEASE RETURN TO:	
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GO:/TO:	(MOROMEDI) SENDER	
SEGA FA	SEGA FA	CUT OPEN HERE
CUT OPEN HERE		


RE 9

<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px auto; width: 80%;"> <p style="text-align: center;">Ditempe di manegwa fa. Stamps to pay postage and registration must be placed here.</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;">  <p>SEGA FA</p> </div>	<div style="text-align: center; margin-bottom: 20px;"> <p>TLHAGISO:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lokwalo lo lo neelwe modiredi wa Poso yo o tla go nayang se supo sa gore o lo tsere. 2. Tuelo e motho a ka e bonang fa lokwalo lo lo laith-egile e laolwa ka melawana ya poso. 3. O se tsenye madi a a fetang P10 mo lokwalong lo. </div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-bottom: 20px;"> <p>WARNING:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This letter must be handed in at a post office for registration and a receipt obtained therefor. 2. Compensation for the loss of a registered letter is subject to the conditions prescribed in the Postal Regulations. 3. Not more than P10 is to be enclosed in this envelope. </div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-bottom: 20px;"> <p>LOKWALO LO FA LOSA AMOGELWA LO BUSEDIWE KWA GO: IF UNDELIVERED PLEASE RETURN TO:</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>(MOROMEDI—SENDER)</p> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 10px;"> <div>SEGA FA</div> <div>CUT OPEN HERE</div> </div>
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RE 10

<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px auto; width: 80%;"> <p style="text-align: center;">Ditšorpe di manogwa fa. Stamps to pay postage and registration must be placed here.</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;">  </div>	<div style="text-align: center; margin-bottom: 20px;"> TLHAGISO: </div> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lokwalo lo lo neelwe modiredi wa Poso yo o tla go nayang se supo sa gore o lo tsere. 2. Tuelo e motho a ka e bonang fa lokwalo lo lo lathegile e laolwa ka melawana ya poso. 3. O se tsenye madi a a fetang P10 mo lokwalong lo. <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;"> WARNING: </div> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This letter must be handed in at a post office for registration and a receipt obtained therefor. 2. Compensation for the loss of a registered letter is subject to the conditions prescribed in the Postal Regulations. 3. Not more than P10 is to be enclosed in this envelope. <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;"> LOKWALO LO FA LOSA AMOGELWA LO BUSEDIWE KWA GO: IF UNDELIVERED PLEASE RETURN TO: </div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> (MOROMEDI) SENDER </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 10px;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>GO/TO:</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>SEGA FA</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>CUT OPEN HERE</p> </div> </div>
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SEGA FA

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KNOXPRINT

Ditsempe
di
manegwe
fa.

Stamps to pay
postage and
registration must be
placed here.



SEGA FA

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TLHAGISO:

1. Lokwalo lo lo neelwe modiredi wa Poso yo o tla go nayang se supo sa gore o lo tsere.
2. Tuelo e motho a ka e bonang fa lokwalo lo lo latihlegile e laolwa ke melawana ya poso.
3. O se tsenye madi a a fetang P10 mo lokwalong lo.

WARNING:

1. This letter must be handled in at a post office for registration and a receipt obtained therefor.
2. Compensation for the loss of a registered letter is subject to the conditions prescribed in the Postal Regulations.
3. Not more than P10 is to be enclosed in this envelope.

LOKWALO LO FA LOSA AMOGELWA LO BUSEDIWE KWA GO:
IF UNDELIVERED PLEASE RETURN TO:


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(MOROMEDI) SENDER

SEGA FA

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RE 12

<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;"> <p style="text-align: center;">Ditsempe di manegwa fa.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Stamps to pay postage and registration must be placed here.</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>SEGA FA</p> </div>	<div style="text-align: center; margin-bottom: 20px;"> <p>TLHAGISO:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lokwalo lo lo neelwe modiredi wa Poso yo o tla go nayang se supo sa gore o lo tsere. 2. Tuelo e motho a ka e bonang fa lokwalo lo lo lathegile e laolwa ke melawana ya poso. 3. O se tsernye madi a a fetang P10 mo lokwalong lo. </div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-bottom: 20px;"> <p>WARNING:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This letter must be handed in at a post office for registration and a receipt obtained therefor. 2. Compensation for the loss of a registered letter is subject to the conditions prescribed in the Postal Regulations. 3. Not more than P10 is to be enclosed in this envelope. </div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-bottom: 20px;"> <p>LOKWALO LO FA LOSA AMOGELWA LO BUSEDIWE KWA GO: IF UNDELIVERED PLEASE RETURN TO:</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>(MOROMEDI) SENDER</p> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; border-top: 1px dashed black; padding-top: 5px;"> SEGA FA CUT OPEN HERE </div>
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RE 13

CHECKLIST OF BOTSWANA POSTMARKS

FOR OFFICES BEGINNING WITH THE LETTERS 'MA' (Part 2)

Brian Trotter

The first half of our listing for offices beginning with the letters 'Ma' was published in RP 38. The Botswana Postmark Project Team have so far recorded a total of 145 different 'Ma' markings. We can no doubt add to this as members provide further information, so please help.

SINCE THE RECORDED MARKINGS REPRESENT ESSENTIALLY ONLY WHAT IS CONTAINED IN THE COLLECTIONS OF THE SMALL NUMBER OF MEMBERS WORKING ON THE POSTMARK PROJECT, RECORDED NUMBERS OF MARKINGS DO NOT NECESSARILY REPRESENT RELATIVE SCARCITY OF THE RESPECTIVE MARKINGS.

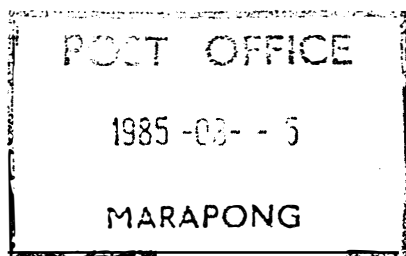
MARAPONG



No. 1 Type 21 B 51

Circle diameters	:	18 & 29 mm
Earliest recorded date	:	Mar 3, 1981
Latest recorded date	:	May 8, 1992
Number recorded so far	:	12

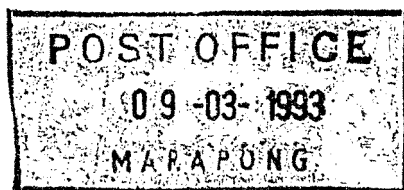
Note the 9 markings recorded between 1981 and 1987 have month in Roman numerals in a sequence of day, month, year, time. The 3 markings recorded for 1991 and 1992 have month in regular numerals, and a sequence of year, month, day, time.



No. 2 Type 8 J 26

Box dimensions	:	32 x 52 mm
Earliest recorded date	:	Aug 5, 1985
Latest recorded date	:	May 8, 1992
Number recorded so far	:	10

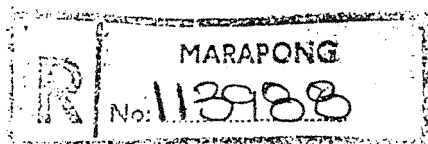
All recorded items struck in red.



No. 3 Type 8 J 26

Box dimensions	:	23 x 51 mm
Earliest recorded date	:	Jan 21, 1993
Latest recorded date	:	May 21, 1993
Number recorded so far	:	4

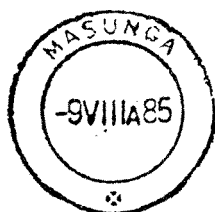
All recorded items struck in red.



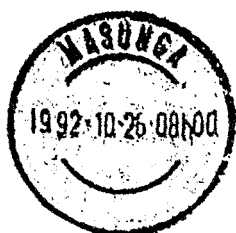
No. 4 Type REGN 2a

Box dimensions	:	±16 x 53 mm
Earliest recorded date	:	May 20, 1987
Latest recorded date	:	Mar 9, 1993
Number recorded so far	:	3

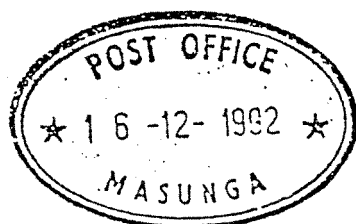
One of the 3 recorded items struck in red.

MASUNGA**No. 1 Type 2 D 2**

Circle diameters : 19 & 27 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Feb 23, 1976
 Latest recorded date : Jun 14, 1993
 Codes recorded : A, B, C
 Number recorded so far : 19

**No. 2 Type 21 A 1**

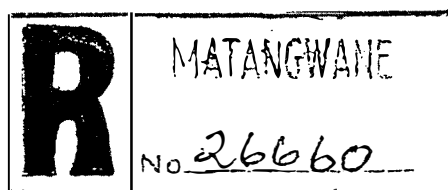
Circle diameters : 17 & 28 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Mar 8, 1990
 Latest recorded date : Nov 24, 1992
 Number recorded so far : 3

**No. 3 Type 61 J 27**

Oval dimensions : 28 x 44 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Nov 24, 1992
 Latest recorded date : Jul 9, 1993
 Number recorded so far : 3

MATANGWANE**No. 1 Type 2 A 1**

Circle diameters : 21 & 30 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Apr 28, 1975
 Latest recorded date : Aug 23, 1989
 Codes recorded : A, D, Block, None
 Number recorded so far : 13

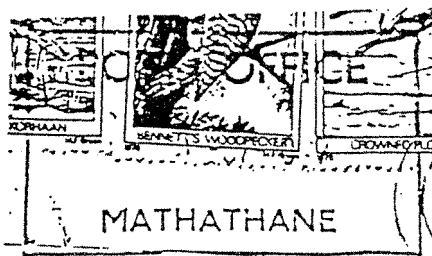
**No. 2 Type REGN 2a**

Box dimensions : 24 x 57 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Jul 3, 1979
 Latest recorded date : Jul 3, 1979
 Number recorded so far : 1

The single recorded item is struck in red.

MATHATHANE**No. 1 Type 21 B 51**

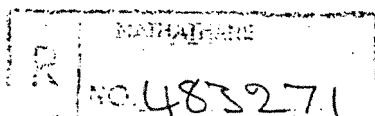
Circle diameters : 18 & 29 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Mar 23, 1983
 Latest recorded date : Apr 13, 1992
 Number recorded so far : 13



No. 2 Type 8 J 26

Box dimensions : 29 x 51 mm
 Earliest recorded date : ?
 Latest recorded date : ?
 Number recorded so far : 1

Date is unclear on the single recorded item.



No. 3 Type REGN 2a

Box dimensions : 14 x 47 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Apr 13, 1992
 Latest recorded date : Apr 13, 1992
 Number recorded so far : 1

The single recorded item is struck in red.

MATHUBANTWA



No. 1 Type 2 E(1)

Circle diameters : 19 & 27 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Apr 28, 1983
 Latest recorded date : Feb 20, 1987
 Number recorded so far : 4



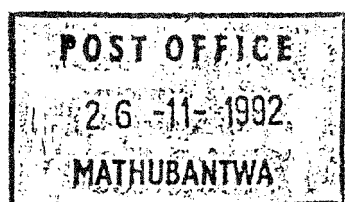
No. 2 Type 2 E(2)

Circle diameters : 19 & 27 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Dec 18, 1983
 Latest recorded date : Apr 6, 1994
 Number recorded so far : 23



No. 3 Type 2 C 24

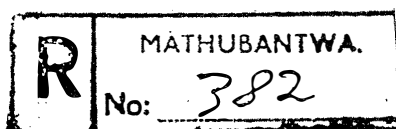
Circle diameters : 19 & 27 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Nov 26, 1982
 Latest recorded date : Feb 1, 1993
 Number recorded so far : 46



No. 4 Type 8 J 26

Box dimensions : 25 x 43 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Nov 26, 1992
 Latest recorded date : Nov 26, 1992
 Number recorded so far : 1

The single recorded item is struck in red.



No. 5 Type REGN 2a

Box dimensions : 15 x ? mm
 Earliest recorded date : ?
 Latest recorded date : ?
 Number recorded so far : 3

Two of the 3 recorded items are struck in red. All three are on piece, so no information can be determined regarding dates of usage.

MATHUBUDUKWANE

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 available

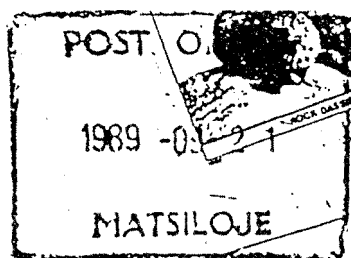
No. 1 Type 2 A 1

Circle diameters : 18 & 27 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Nov 21, 1978
 Latest recorded date : Nov 21, 1978
 Codes recorded : A
 Number recorded so far : 2

MATSILOJE

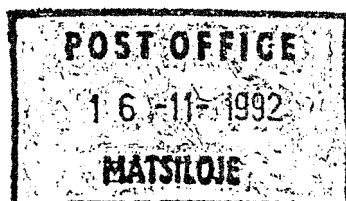
No. 1 Type 2 A 1

Circle diameters : 18 & 27 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Oct 21, 1978
 Latest recorded date : Sep 17, 1992
 Codes recorded : A, None
 Number recorded so far : 15



No. 2 Type 8 J 26

Box dimensions : 32 x 43 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Sep 21, 1989
 Latest recorded date : Sep 21, 1989
 Number recorded so far : 1



No. 3 Type 8 J 26

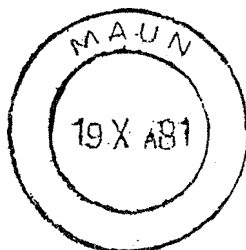
Box dimensions : 25 x 43 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Nov 16, 1992
 Latest recorded date : Nov 16, 1992
 Number recorded so far : 1

The single recorded item is struck in red.

MAUN**No. 1 Type 2 D 7**

Circle diameters	:	17 & 26 mm
Earliest recorded date	:	Jan 18, 1967
Latest recorded date	:	Mar 3, 1982
Codes recorded	:	A
Number recorded so far	:	15

This is Bechuanaland Protectorate marking No. 1a (See Runner Post No. 14, page 255)

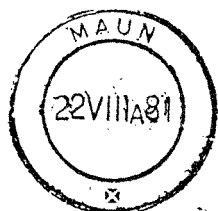
**No. 2 Type 2 A 1**

Circle diameters	:	20.5 & 31 mm
Earliest recorded date	:	Jan 3, 1967
Latest recorded date	:	Dec 21, 1992
Codes recorded	:	A, B, C
Number recorded so far	:	16

This is Bechuanaland Protectorate marking No. 4 with Bechuanaland excised (See Runner Post No. 14, p256).

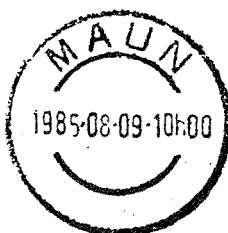
**No. 3 Type 2 B 51**

Circle diameters	:	18 & 27 mm
Earliest recorded date	:	Nov 15, 1966
Latest recorded date	:	Dec 25, 1988
Codes recorded	:	A, B, C
Number recorded so far	:	45

**No. 4 Type 2 D 2**

Circle diameters	:	19 & 27 mm
Earliest recorded date	:	Jun 4, 1969
Latest recorded date	:	Jul 6, 1993
Codes recorded	:	A, B, C, None
Number recorded so far	:	49

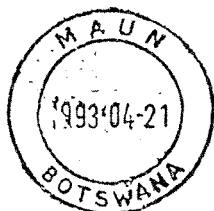
One recorded item has the date order reversed.

**No. 5 Type 21 A 1**

Circle diameters	:	18 & 29 mm
Earliest recorded date	:	May 17, 1982
Latest recorded date	:	May 20, 1988
Number recorded so far	:	More than 50

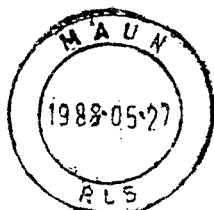
**No. 6 Type 21 B 51**

Circle diameters	:	18 & 29 mm
Earliest recorded date	:	Jun 16, 1982
Latest recorded date	:	Jul 7, 1987
Number recorded so far	:	8



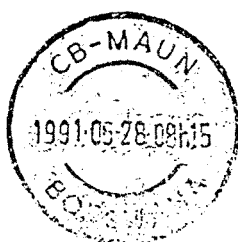
No. 7 Type 2 B 51

Circle diameters : 18.5 & 26 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Oct 7, 1992
 Latest recorded date : Jan 7, 1994
 Number recorded so far : 6



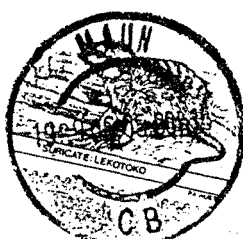
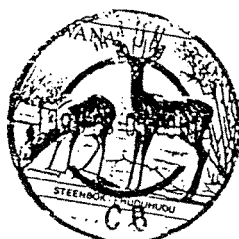
No. 8 Type 2 C 21

Circle diameters : 18 & 27 mm
 Earliest recorded date : May 22, 1987
 Latest recorded date : Jul 29, 1989
 Number recorded so far : 4



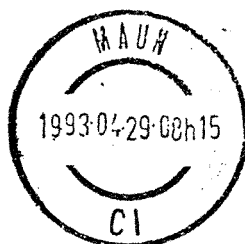
No. 9 Type 21 F 10

Circle diameters : 18 & 30 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Jun 28, 1991
 Latest recorded date : Jun 28, 1991
 Number recorded so far : 1



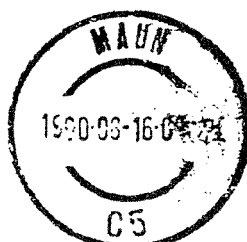
No. 10 Type 21 C 24

Circle diameters : 18 & 30 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Jun 5, 1989
 Latest recorded date : Aug 6, 1990
 Number recorded so far : 2



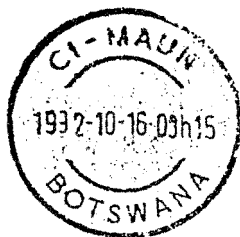
No. 11 Type 21 C 23(1)

Circle diameters : 18 & 30 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Jul 26, 1989
 Latest recorded date : Jun 2, 1993
 Number recorded so far : 6



No. 12 Type 21 C 23(5)

Circle diameters : 18 & 30 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Aug 16, 1990
 Latest recorded date : Aug 16, 1990
 Number recorded so far : 1



No. 13 Type 21 F 11(1)

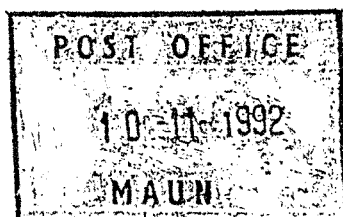
Circle diameters : 18 & 30 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Oct 16, 1992
 Latest recorded date : Oct 16, 1992
 Number recorded so far : 1



No. 14 Type 61 J 26

Oval dimensions : 30 x 51 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Jul 28, 1973
 Latest recorded date : Jul 28, 1973
 Number recorded so far : 1

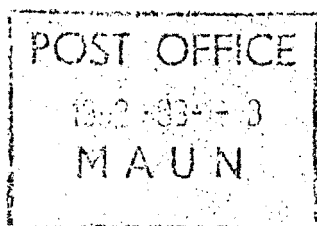
The single recorded item is struck in purple.



No. 15 Type 8 J 26

Box dimensions : 27 x 43 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Nov 10, 1992
 Latest recorded date : Nov 10, 1992
 Number recorded so far : 1

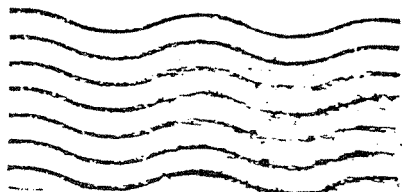
The single recorded item is struck in red.



No. 16 Type 8 J 26

Box dimensions : 29 x 40 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Mar 3, 1992
 Latest recorded date : Mar 3, 1992
 Number recorded so far : 1

The single recorded item is struck in red.



No. 17 Type MACH 3a

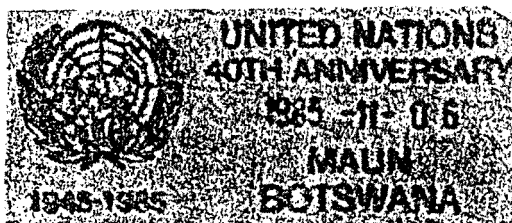
Circle diameter : 21 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Jul 28, 1988
 Latest recorded date : Sep 21, 1990
 Number recorded so far : 6

No illustration
 available

No. 18 Type SPEC 3

Earliest recorded date : Jul 31, 1985
 Latest recorded date : Jul 31, 1985
 Number recorded so far : 1

Omnibus issue - International Youth Year.



No. 19 Type SPEC 3

Earliest recorded date : Nov 3, 1985
 Latest recorded date : Dec 14, 1985
 Number recorded so far : 5

All recorded items struck in red.



No. 20 Type SPEC 2b

Earliest recorded date : Sep 30, 1986
 Latest recorded date : Sep 30, 1986
 Number recorded so far : 1

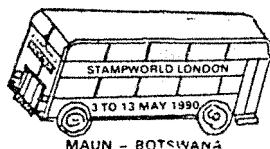
Omnibus issue - 20th Anniversary of Independence.



No. 21 Type SPEC 2b

Earliest recorded date : Jun 1, 1987
 Latest recorded date : Jun 1, 1987
 Number recorded so far : 1

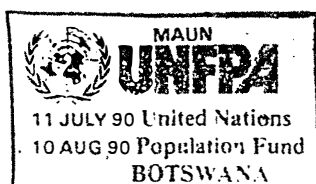
Omnibus issue - Child Survival and Development.



No. 22 Type SPEC 2b

Earliest recorded date : May 3-13, 1990
 Latest recorded date : May 3-13, 1990
 Number recorded so far : 1

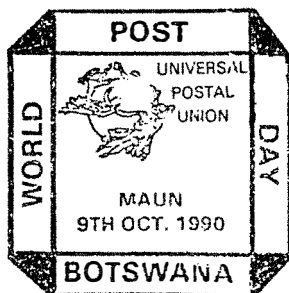
Omnibus issue - Stampworld London. The single recorded item is struck in red, and used to cancel a stamp on an unaddressed cover.



No. 23 Type SPEC 2c

Earliest recorded date : Jul 11/Aug 10, 1990
 Latest recorded date : Jul 11/Aug 10, 1990
 Number recorded so far : 1

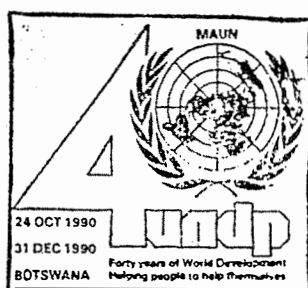
Omnibus issue - UNFPA United Nations Populations Fund. The single recorded item is struck in blue, and used to cancel a stamp on an unaddressed cover.



No. 24 Type SPEC 2c

Earliest recorded date : Oct 9, 1990
 Latest recorded date : Oct 9, 1990
 Number recorded so far : 1

Omnibus issue - World Post Day. The single recorded item is struck in blue, and is used to cancel a stamp on an unaddressed cover.



No. 25 Type SPEC 2c

Earliest recorded date : Oct 24/Dec 31, 1990
 Latest recorded date : Oct 24/Dec 31, 1990
 Number recorded so far : 2

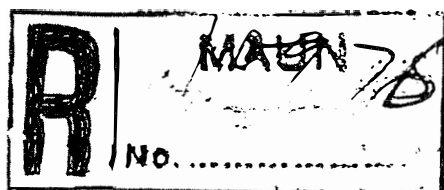
Omnibus issue - UNDP 40 Years of World Development. The single recorded item is struck in blue, and is used to cancel a stamp on an unaddressed cover.



No. 26 Type SPEC 2c

Earliest recorded date : ?, 1990
 Latest recorded date : ?, 1990
 Number recorded so far : 2

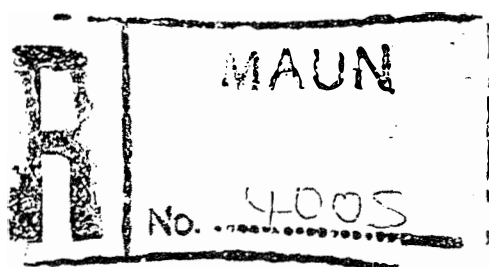
Omnibus issue - International Literacy Year 1990. The single recorded item is struck in blue, and is used to cancel a stamp on an unaddressed cover.



No. 27 Type REGN 2a

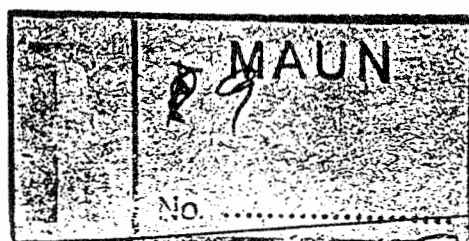
Box dimensions : 23 x 56 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Dec 23, 1968
 Latest recorded date : Dec 23, 1968
 Number recorded so far : 1

The single recorded item is struck in violet. Note the "R" in the illustration has been "touched up" by the recorder.



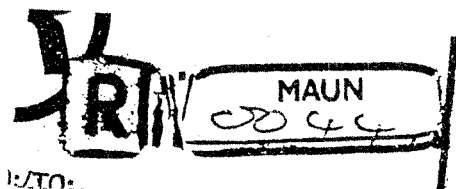
No. 28 Type REGN 2a

Box dimensions : ±33 x 65 mm
 Earliest recorded date :
 Latest recorded date : Jun 16, 1982
 Number recorded so far : 5



No. 29 Type REGN 2a

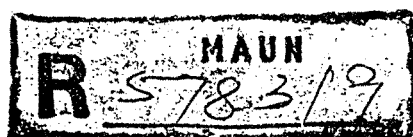
Box dimensions : 30 x 60 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Oct 16, 1979
 Latest recorded date : Oct 16, 1979
 Number recorded so far : 1



No. 30 Type REGN 2h

Box dimensions : 12 x 49? mm
 Earliest recorded date : ?
 Latest recorded date : ?
 Number recorded so far : 1

The single recorded marking is on piece, so no date can be determined.



No. 31 Type REGN 3b

Box dimensions : 16 x 52 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Oct 16, 1992
 Latest recorded date : Jun 22, 1993
 Number recorded so far : 2

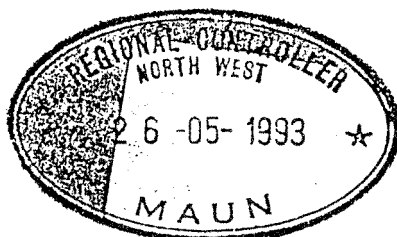
One of the 2 recorded markings is struck in red.



No. 32 Type MISC 11

Earliest recorded date : Feb 28, 1992
 Latest recorded date : Feb 28, 1992
 Number recorded so far : 1

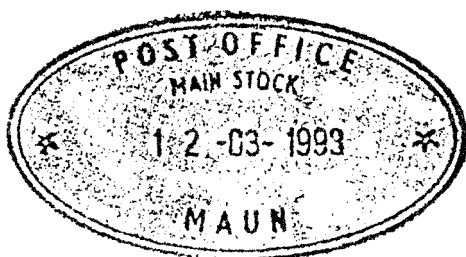
Omnibus issue - A Decade of Literacy 1990 - 2000.



No. 33 Type MISC 6q

Oval dimensions : 30 x 50 mm
 Earliest recorded date : May 26, 1993
 Latest recorded date : May 26, 1993
 Number recorded so far : 1

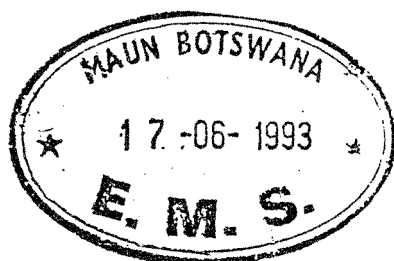
The single recorded marking is struck in red.



No. 34 Type MISC 6r

Oval dimensions : 32 x 58 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Mar 3, 1993
 Latest recorded date : Mar 3, 1993
 Number recorded so far : 1

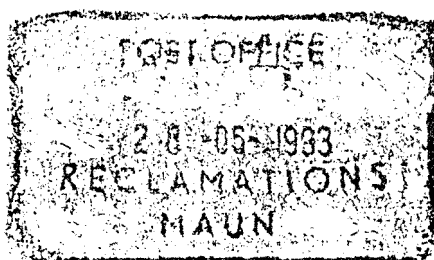
The single recorded marking is struck in red.



No. 35 Type MISC 6s

Oval dimensions : 32 x 49 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Mar 20, 1991
 Latest recorded date : Jun 17, 1993
 Number recorded so far : 2

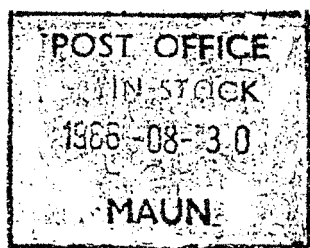
Both recorded markings are struck in red.



No. 36 Type MISC 7j

Box dimensions : 32 x 54 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Jun 28, 1993
 Latest recorded date : Jun 28, 1993
 Number recorded so far : 1

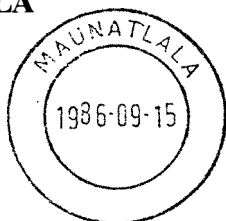
The single recorded marking is struck in red.



No. 37 Type MISC 7m

Box dimensions : 30 x 39 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Aug 30, 1986
 Latest recorded date : Aug 30, 1986
 Number recorded so far : 1

The single recorded marking is struck in red.

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No. 1 Type 2 A 1

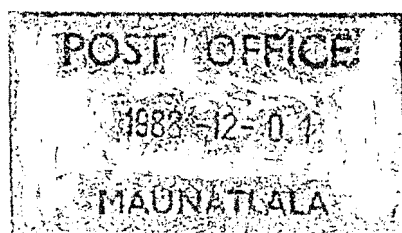
Circle diameters : 19 & 28.5 mm
 Earliest recorded date : May 21, 1985
 Latest recorded date : Mar 4, 1993
 Number recorded so far : 17



No. 2 Type 2 A 1

Circle diameters : 18 & 27 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Jan 9, 1982
 Latest recorded date : Jun 1, 1993
 Codes recorded : A, B, C
 Number recorded so far : 7

Three of the recorded markings (the most recent, from 1991 - 1993), have the date order reversed and code after the date. Namely year, month, day, code.



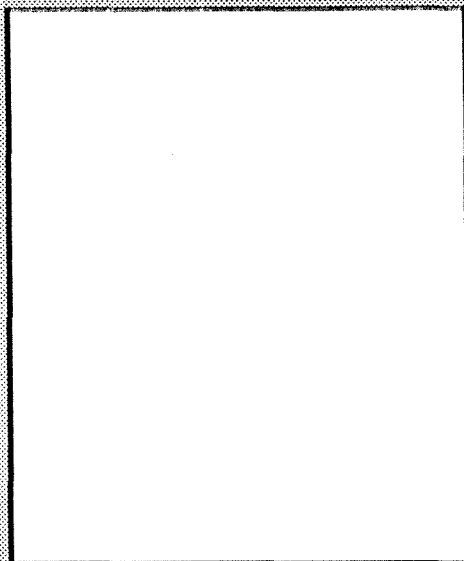
No. 3 Type 8 J 26

Box dimensions : 30 x 52 mm
 Earliest recorded date : Dec 1, 1988
 Latest recorded date : Dec 1, 1988
 Number recorded so far : 1

The single recorded marking is struck in red.

The Botswana Postmark Project Team that provided the data for this Checklist for Offices beginning with the letters Ma was Dennis Firth, the late Mike George, Sir John Inglefield-Watson, the late Roy Setterfield, Peter Thy, David Wall (with help from Barbara Andersson and Sheila Case), and myself.

RARE STAMPS



BRITISH BECHUANALAND

1885-87 ½d grey-black of Cape of Good Hope overprinted in two lines 'British / Bechuanaland'. Variety OVERPRINT IN LAKE. A mint example (some corner creasing). BPA certificate (1995). Only four examples have been recorded of which two are in museum collections. A great rarity.

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Unfortunately, this item was not in stock long enough to be illustrated. It had been on a client's wants list for some time and has now filled a long-empty space.

If you are looking for the rarer stamps of the Bechuanalands, let me know. I may well be able to help locate those elusive stamps - whether highly catalogued or not.

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