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DIARY OF EVENTS

2005

Wed 14th to Sun 18th Sept Autumn Stampex, Business Design Centre, Islington, London (Angel tube)

Wed 19th to Sat 22nd Oct Cape Stamp Show, Goodwood Civil Centre, Cape Town, RSA

Thu 27th to Sat 29th Oct Autumn Philatex, R.H.S. Hall, Greycoat Street, London (Victoria tube)

Sat 29th Oct At Philatex venue
10:30 to 12:30 - Room 33: BBS AGM and informal meeting *

Fri 4th to Sun 6th Nov Southern African Specialist Societies Conference 2005, Falstaff Hotel, Leamington Spa. Contact Brian Trotter for details.

* The Society encourages members to bring Bechuanaland or Botswana philatelic material to Society meetings. If members do plan to bring along material, and especially if they have questions, however minor, it would be helpful if they could alert the Secretary, noting if and what material they will be bringing along and what questions they have. Prior notice enables the Secretary to forewarn and co-ordinate other members who may want to prepare information or send or bring along comparable material.

News

New subscription rates

The annual subscription rate for July 2005 to June 2006 has been announced by our treasurer.

UK, Europe £10
RSA, Southern Africa £12 or 150 Rand
Botswana £12 or 125 Pula
USA/Rest of the World £12 or US\$23 cash

There has been a devaluation of the Rand and the Pula

Rand and Pula payments can be made to your local representatives. The treasurer will accept dollar cash payments. All other sterling payments should be made to the Treasurer. A statement detailing your current dues will accompany this issue.

See "List of Officers" for all relevant addresses. Please note the Treasurer's new address.

Runner Post Index

Peter Thy has complete his draft of "Index to Runner Post 1984-2005". More on its availability to members will be announced in the next issue - Runner Post #64.

Record price for a Bechuanalands stamp

A mint copy of SG55c (19mm overprint 'Protectorte' double), described as 'unique' was sold by Warwick and Warwick on 8th June (lot 36 of the Gian Maria Rossi sale) for £10,500 hammer (£12350 with premium and VAT).

Auction #15 results

LOT	£	LOT	£	LOT	£	LOT	£	LOT	£	LOT	£	LOT	£	LOT	£	LOT	£
1	39	2	28	3	7	4	13	5	10	6	52	7	19	8	7	9	7
11	35	12	35	13	27	14	70	15	47	16	51	17	23	18	87	19	60
20	91	21	12	22	96	23	150	24	130	25	190	26	17	27	4.50	28	11
29	4	30	17	31	1.50	32	3	33	17	34	7	35	3	36	36	37	45
38	7	39	8	40	21	41	2.50	42	32	43	9	44	19	47	6	48	23
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58	3	Lots 10, 45 and 46 remained unsold															

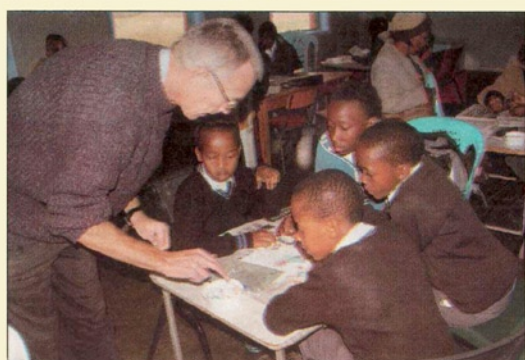
Kanye - Kgosi Bathoen II Museum - Philately



Part of the school kids who attended the occasion



Botswana Post Pr Manager - K. Rafifing



John Shearer of philatelic society



Segomotse Sebege looking at school kids working with their teacher

Kanye Stamp workshop

from John Schaerer

John Schaerer has just sent me this newspaper cutting from "The Botswana Gazette Wed 15th June 2005".

It's certainly a change to see young people "looking excited" about philately. Sadly I can't imagine many schoolchildren in the U.K. tearing themselves away from their Playstations and the internet of an evening.

Here's what John had to say:

The reason that I sent you the article were:

- 1 I was quite chuffed in getting into the paper
- 2 You might have space in the newsletter to show members who might be interested in the development work that we are doing in Botswana to try and encourage youngsters to become philatelists
- 3 Coupled with 2 above any members who has stamps both mint and used and/or killoware that is of no further use and wants to donate it and the postage to Botswana it would be greatly

appreciated. The stamps do not have to all be in good condition for the beginners. After they have been established as stamp collectors we will teach them about quality

Thanks John, an excellent exhibition and project and a good way to get your photo in the Runner Post.

For John's address see "List of Officers"

Also in Kanye Botswana post played host to Botswana Philatelic Society who held an exhibition at the Kgosi Bathoen II museum. Philately is the collection and study of stamps. It originated from the introduction of postage stamps. According to Rafifing, it is worth mentioning that Stamp collectors through out the world admire Botswana stamps, their concept, design and printing are always of high standard. According John Shearer an official from the Philatelic Society the workshop and exhibition was the first to be held outside Gaborone. It is designed to teach the basics of stamp collection, he said. And some Botswana bought stamps which included the early stamps of Botswana. The exhibition was attended by mostly primary school children from all over Kanye. They came with their teachers and looked excited.

Feedback

The Basutoland and Swaziland question

Bruce Warrender writes "...on the question posed in R.P. about including some items on Lesotho and Swaziland in R.P I am FOR the idea"

Roger Howard writes "Many thanks for producing such a splendid magazine. Yes I would be very happy to include the other HCT in Runner Post. I collect Basutoland..."

Peter Thy writes "I have nothing against including Swaziland and Basutoland articles in the Runner Post. Would however suggest that it is a part of the regular Runner Post and not as an appendix with its own pagination (an indexers nightmare).

But is the real question not whether we should change our scope to include all High Commission Territories.

The 'Forerunners' of which I am the editor certainly includes article on Basutoland and Swaziland in addition to Bechuanaland. Currently we are running over 3-4 instalments a detailed study of Lesotho surcharged stamps."

Chris Cordes writes "If it is no problem for you, I don't mind reading items about other areas... I enjoy stamp collecting! The only caveat I would add is that the content should not be a detailed study of new issues and the like, but rather articles of a more general philatelic interest."

Cedric Roché writes "Best wishes for a happy and successful 2005 and congratulations on the outstandingly professional Runner Post. As regards supplementary coverage of Basutoland/Lesotho and Swaziland I would be FOR the proposal. Many of us are interested in the 'Protectorates' as a whole collecting postmarks or revenues etc."

Peter Jukes writes "Yes, I think your idea is a good and valid one, it would certainly fall in with the idea, which was voiced by members of the South African Specialist Societies, that new blood is indeed welcome and very much sought after."

Emil Buhrmann writes "Thanks for a good job on the Runner Post Issue 61 is most attractive. I am FOR any good philatelic information to be published. Scott on Basutoland is somewhat outdated, new finds and articles on later research will be most welcome."

Rory Ryan writes "I am delighted at the proposal to include the other two High Commission territories, so that gets my support. Incidentally, I have a long article on Basutoland official mail, which I have been compiling for years."

Sir John Inglefield-Watson writes: Your article in RP 61 asks for members' views on a proposal to allow supplementary coverage of the other two High Commission Territories (HCTs) by way of articles in RP, You will be aware from my contribution to the discussion at the AGM and to previous discussions about closer links with other Southern Africa societies that I feel strongly that the BBS should maintain its independence for as long as it is able to do so. The critical requirement is its ability to continue to find members willing to carry out administrative duties.

You point out that articles covering all three HCTs are already acceptable for RP. The debate on the proposal should therefore concentrate on the proposed RP supplement containing Basutoland/Lesotho and specific Swaziland articles. I suggest two factors for consideration:

(1) From the point of view of a potential author of such articles who is an existing BBS member, would the effort involved be worthwhile, bearing in mind the limited number of interested readers likely to be fellow members of the BBS? Although the latter would probably welcome the proposed supplement, I suspect that authors would wish to reach as wide a readership as possible and that authors and interested members would prefer to establish contact and to share their interest with other like-minded people who are at present non-members.

(2) Inevitably the existence of an HCT supplement to RP would soon become known to non-members whose interests cover one or both of the other HCTs but not the Bechuanalands/Botswana. Would they join the BBS in order to obtain an occasional supplement?

(cont.)

I envisage that the proposed supplement would inevitably lead to growing pressure from within and from outside the BBS to widen our Society's scope and membership. It would, in my opinion, be at the top of a slippery slope leading to formation of an HCT Society. The BBS would probably be the major component but I believe that, from a philatelic viewpoint, it has less in common with the other two HCTs than with other possible groupings. Any such arrangements would be outside the scope of the present proposal and would need to be subjected to thorough examination and extensive debate.

Therefore, in present circumstances I am AGAINST the proposal.

Dennis Firth writes: Regarding the suggestion that the Society enlarges it's interests to include Basutoland and Swaziland, I would be in favour of this as I collect these countries. While I can see Sir John's point about Bechuanaland interests being dominated by other interests, I don't think it will happen in this case as there are very few Basutoland collectors around, and the same with Swaziland, although I understand that new issues of Swaziland are popular. I know of several instances where collectors collect all three countries.

The Editor writes: I have also talked to a number of other members, who all expressed they were for the idea. I am sure the committee will discuss how we go forwards with this at the A.G.M. in October. As you're all aware from the re-run of the newsletters, the way the Bechuanalands and Botswana Society came about 20 years ago was by Roy Setterfield and others getting together a list of peoples names and then a year later forming this Society. I feel a similar approach to the Basutoland/Swaziland question - with a small supplement with a newsletter/articles during the 2005/06 season and then see how it's going in a year.

As Editor one thing that I would need before accepting articles is someone of whom I could ask questions and to whom such articles could be sent for checking, i.e. person/people for both Basutoland and/or Swaziland (free time, PC, e-mail and Internet access a necessity). Volunteers with expertise in a particular area/period should make themselves known, though I'm fine for Revenue experts...

As Chris Cordes says some general articles would be appreciated for those of us with little or no knowledge of the areas. So if anyone feels up to writing a "History of Basutoland and its Philately" and a similar "History of Swaziland..." I am sure they would be appreciated.

Question & Answer

Andrew Higson asks:



Illustration (left) of Andrew's SG47 and an enlargement (above) of the 'P' of "Prot" (400%)

Following on from Brian Hurst's article, "SG41a - The Small Figure '1' Revisited" in March's Runner Post, I am writing in the hope of trying to get assistance from other members in establishing whether or not one of my "Protectorate" stamps is genuine.

The stamp in question is a SG47 Protectorate 21-used slightly faded and toned. Some seven years ago I submitted it to an expert committee who considered that the overprint was a forgery (and that the cancellation was that of Vryburg). I was disappointed at the outcome, but the overprint did not seem to be an obvious forgery and so I submitted

it to a different panel and the stamp was proclaimed genuine! On careful examination, the overprint does have a distinctive feature, namely the top left of the capital "P" is sliced off. A stamp with a characteristic very similar to this was included in the 1981 Holmes auction. Lot 1161 was a block of four 1/- stamps overprinted "Protectorate", the top right hand one also had the damaged "P".

As a result of the illustrations in Brian's article I have been in touch with him and he has confirmed that a damaged "P" appears on the stamp in position 33 (row 3/9) - this was difficult to see in his picture. I am grateful to him for providing me with a scan of the stamp in question, and if anything, the comparison has encouraged me. However, the stamp in his scan did have more damage to the "P", to such an extent that the "P" was open at the top left. Therefore, I am writing to see whether other members may have copies (of any of the "Protectorate" overprints [SG 41-50]) with this damaged "P".

Any help would be gratefully received.

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting Held on Saturday 26th February 2005 at 2.45 p.m
Room 33, Royal Horticultural Hall, Greycoat Street, London.

MEMBERS AND VISITORS PRESENT

Brian Trotter (Chairman), Eddie Bridges, Okkie de Jager, John Dixon, Dennis Firth, Malcolm Hodgson, Brian Hurst, Philip Kaye, Tony Stanford, Peter van der Molen and John Inglefield-Watson.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Neville Midwood and Dickon Pollard.

SOUTH AFRICAN COLLECTORS SOCIETIES' TROPHY.

Brian Trotter referred to this trophy which is awarded to the collector showing the best display at the annual conference held at Leamington Spa, and queried whether the ordinary visitors' displays of around 20 sheets be included in the competition with the 80 sheet displays of the principal speakers?.

VISIT TO BOTSWANA.

Brian Hurst reported on a recent visit he had made to the country. He had had an interview with the Director General of Botswana Post who informed him that the Postal Archives and H.R. Holmes collection are not available for inspection by the general public, and Brian had suggested that if this was the case, they might consider selling suitable items from the archives, also the Holmes collection, as this would be of some benefit to philately. This suggestion is being considered.

DISPLAYS.

BRIAN HURST showed a partly reconstructed sheet of Bechuanaland SG41,1d with Protectorate overprint.

There were three different varieties recorded of SG41a, the small figure 1, but by his diligence he had discovered another three, in sheet positions R5/10, R6/5 and R8/2. Further details will be published in Runner Post in an article he is preparing. He also showed the "o" with top part missing variety, which is in the same sheet position as the high values with the "o" missing completely.

DENNIS FIRTH showed 20 sheets of Botswana items including some artwork for the 1972 Night Sky issue, an essay for an unaccepted design for the 1968 Christmas issue, 12 different postmarks on covers from Gaborone from 2000 to 2003, and a few Official Free covers,

TONY STANFORD showed various British Bechuanaland stamps, some genuine, some forged, with a query regarding the shades of the overprint on SG1. He has the overprint in two shades of red (was one SG1a in lake?). Dennis Firth also has SG1 in two shades of red, neither of which is SG1a. Do the genuine overprints on SG1 vary in colour?, Tony also had a query regarding the different types of surcharge overprints used on the Bechuanaland stamps overprinted for the Siege of Mafeking. Do any readers have any knowledge regarding these surcharges please?

BRIAN TROTTER showed two strips of Botswana stamps overprinted CANCELLED in large red sans serif letters (does anyone know why please?). Also a telegram form from Orapa, marked Cancelled.

Recent Botswana Issues

I notice that the "Philatelic" pages of the Botswana Post web site have not been maintained since the SAPOA issue. I have e-mailed asking what the problem is, but have as yet received no reply.

18-12-2004
Christmas 2004

The issue consists of four values 80T, P2.10, P3.90 and P4.70.

The flowers depict the first blooms after the first rains after a long hot dry spell.



BOTSWANA
Christmas 2004



Official first day cover

21-03-2005
Historical Buildings

The issue consists of four values 80t, P2.10, P3.90 and P4.70.

The buildings are named as

80t: Blackbeard's Store, Phalatswe 1899,
P2.10: Primary School 1899,
P3.90: Telegraph Office, Phalatswe 1899,
P4.70: Magistrate's Court, Phalatswe 1899.

The FDC picture (right) is of Kgosi Khama's home, Phalatswe 1899.

Botswana
Historical Buildings



Official First Day Cover
Kgosi Khama's home, Phalatswe. 1899



Registration Barcode

by Peter Thy



BotswanaPost recently introduced barcodes for registered mail. Using the code Postal Services should be able to track the letter. Similar codes are in use today by many postal services worldwide. It is hoped

that this measure will reduce the numbers of lost letter. The envelope shown here was mailed from Mochudi in December 2004 and transit marked in Gaborone. Thanks to Steen Jelgren for sending me the letter.

Official Free Markings - Part 1

by Dennis Firth

This is the first attempt to list all the known Official Free markings use in Bechuanaland Protectorate and Botswana, which, as far as I know, have not been recorded elsewhere.

Official Free handstamps seem to have been introduced in Bechuanaland in the 1920/30s. The collecting of Official markings is not popular with many collectors and Bechuanaland Protectorate markings are not easy to come by.

It is the aim of this listing to record these marks for posterity. I do not intend to get involved with conditions of use or who is intended to use them. Some such information is shown on p.71, p.74 and p.75 of "The Postal History of Basutoland and Bechuanaland Protectorate" by E.B Proud (1996) published by Proud-Bailey Co Ltd. This information is in the Basutoland section, but will no doubt apply to Bechuanaland equally.

The listing will be in three parts:

- Bechuanaland Protectorate
- Botswana markings which show the office of use and the words "Official Free" or similar on the same handstamp
- Official Free handstamps (usually straight line) which are used in association with departmental cachets. The cachets will not be recorded, but the known offices of use will be shown against each type of Official Free marking.

I am indebted to Sir John Inglefield-Watson, John Schaerer, Gordon Smith and Bruce Warrender for sending me details of items they have in their collections. The Bechuanaland Protectorate items listed below are from the collections of John Inglefield-Watson and myself. Botswana markings, which are far more numerous, will be shown in future issues of Runner Post.

Markings are listed in alphabetical order of the departmental inscription shown on the handstamps. The number to the right of the description is my reference number. For a future update I would be looking for some assistance in using the postmark typology to describe the markings.

Dates are in dd-mm-yyyy format



COMMISSIONER FOR REVENUE
BECHUANALAND

20

Gaberones 09-11-1965

Double Oval 57mm x 34mm



CONTROLLER OF STORES
BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE

25

Mafeking 07-10-1957

Double Oval 43mm x 27mm



DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION
BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE

30

Mafeking 15-05-1935

Triple Oval 43mm x 29mm



DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL SERVICES
B.P. GOVERNMENT

35

May be Gaberones circa 1964/5

Double Oval 50mm x 32mm



DISTRICT COMMISSIONER
GABERONES

40

Ramoutsa Station 15-02-1950

Triple Oval 43mm x 28mm



DISTRICT COMMISSIONER
KASANE **[STRUCK IN VIOLET]**

43

Kazungula 22-10-1965 to 22-09-1966

Triple Oval 43mm x 20mm



DISTRICT COMMISSIONER
LOBATSI

46

Lobatsi 09-09-1966

Triple Oval 43mm x 26mm



DISTRICT COMMISSIONER
SEROWE

49

Serowe 26-03-1946

Triple Oval 41mm x 26mm



FINANCE DIVISION
B.P. GOVERNMENT

55

Gaberones 12-09-1966

Triple Oval 43mm x 28mm



FOREST OFFICER
KASANE

60

Kazungula 08-10-1964

Triple Oval 51mm x 31mm

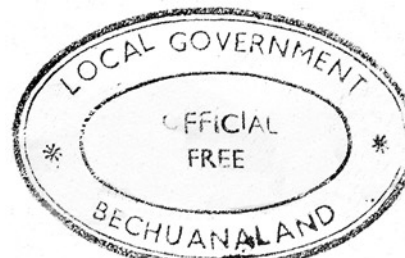


GAME CONTROL BECHUANALAND
PROTECTORATE **[STRUCK IN DARK BLUE]**

65

Gaberones 18-05-1967 [used after Independence]

Triple Oval 44mm x 31mm



LOCAL GOVERNMENT
BECHUANALAND

70

Gaberones 24-09-1966

Triple Oval 52mm x 34mm



Ministry of Works and Communications
Bechuanaland Government

75

Gaberones 06-09-1966 to 30-09-1966
[used on first day of Independence]

Double Oval 57mm x 34mm



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE

80

Mafeking 15-06-1959

Triple Oval 55mm x 31mm



RESIDENT COMMISSIONER
BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE

85

Mafeking 01-11-1935 to 07-07-1936

Triple Oval 50mm x 30mm



RESIDENT COMMISSIONER
BECH. PROT. GOVT.

88

Mafeking 1947 to 28-02-1950

Double Oval 45mm x 28mm



REVENUE OFFICER, TSHABONG
["OFFICIAL FREE" IS IN **NEGATIVE** LETTERING]
[STRUCK IN VIOLET]

95

Tshabong 19-09-1966

Single Oval 43mm x 30mm



SECRETARIAT
BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE

100

Mafeking 12-09-1961

Double Oval 43mm x 31mm



TREASURER
BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE

105

Mafeking 28-05-1959 to 26-06-1964

Double Oval 43mm x 28mm



TREASURY
BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE

108

Mafeking 13-10-1937 1/4?

Double Oval 49mm x 29mm

	
TREASURY BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE	109
Mafeking 11-01-1965	
Triple Oval 44mm x 31mm	

If any member has Bechuanaland Protectorate items in their collection which are not listed above, or are used outside any date range shown, or differ in place used or ink colour - please send me full details. In particular does any member know if Official Free markings are known for touring trains other than items ref:115 and ref:116?

Photocopies of unlisted items would be appreciated which show the date and place of use and the colour of marking if other than black.

Images, scans and e-mails can be sent via the Editor.

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Sherwood Ranch Date Cancellor


by Peter Thy

The cover illustrated overleaf of a 1937 registration envelope (RE 42) was sent to me by John Schaerer. It was mailed from Sherwood Ranch in 1953.

The Postal Agency at Sherwood Ranch opened in 1945. Putzel in his postmark survey shows a 1947 postmark. From 1952, Sherwood Ranch was no longer listed in the South African postal office lists according to Putzel's Encyclopedia. A second office was opened in 1961. This is consistent with the observation of the Society Postmark Study that Sherwood Ranch cancellers are not known between September 1949 and August 1957.

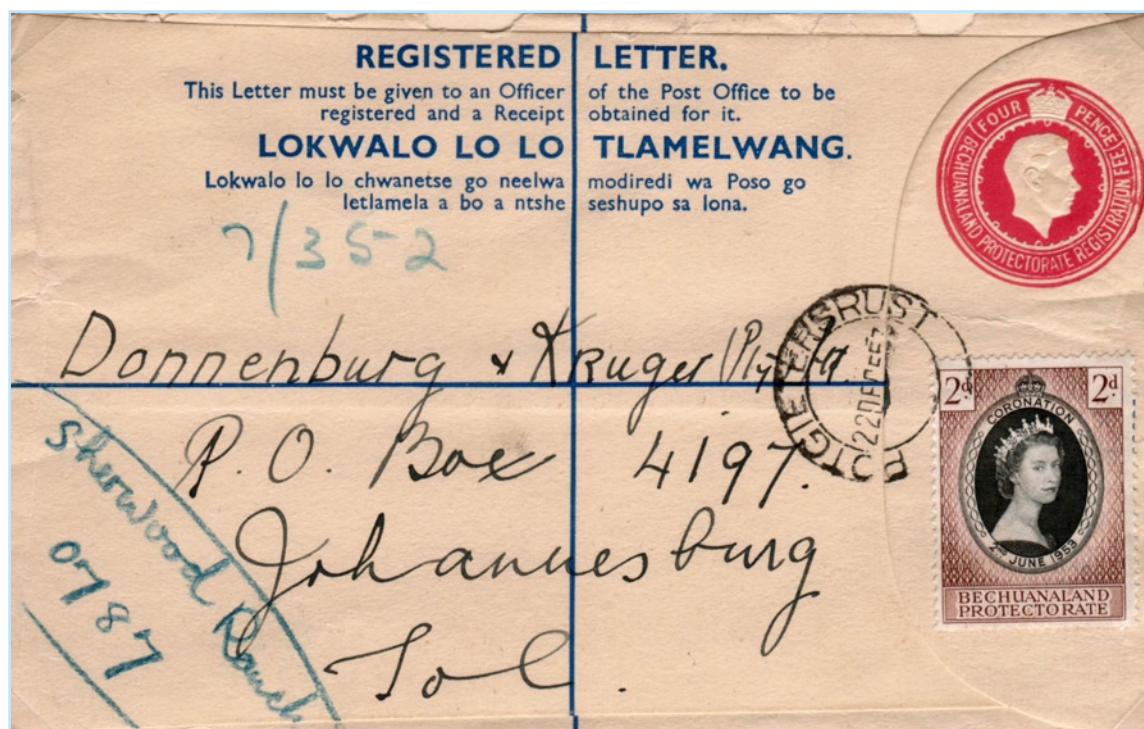
The registration envelope shown here was clearly

	
ROYAL TOUR H.R.H. PRINCE GEORGE (AFRIKAANS EQUIVALENT at base) [STRUCK IN VIOLET]	115
Gaberones 20-03-1934	
Triple Oval 61mm x 36mm (ex crown)	

	
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE OFFICER COMMANDING WAR TRAINS (AFRIKAANS EQUIVALENT at base) [STRUCK IN VIOLET]	116
Lobatsi 04-06-1941 (Return Journey)	
Double Oval 55mm x 37mm	

mailed in December 1953 within the period where no cancellers are known. It thus appears that the office was open, but that cancellers may actually not have been available in Sherwood Ranch, neither registrations nor dated cancellers. On the positive note, the cover proves that Sherwood Ranch was open at least in 1953. The letter was forwarded via Potgietersrust confirming the observation of Putzel that this South African Post Office may have been the Head Office for Sherwood Ranch.

John asks if other members have similar covers that can help to narrow the period where Sherwood Ranch was without postal cancellers.



1937 registration envelope mailed from Sherwood Ranch in 1953.

Overprinted South African Postal Order

by Peter Thy



We have long known that South African postal orders were used in Bechuanaland and Botswana from 1933 until well after independence. What we did not know was if these orders were overprinted and surcharged.

The SA postal order shown above was used in 1974 at Gaborone. It is overprinted 'REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA' both on the mail order as well as on the counterfoil. In addition, the commission fee was surcharged to '2c.' The lowest possible denomination

of 10c suggests that the order served philatelic purposes.

The order was recently sold at the auction of the Postal Order Society at a staggering £100. This is clearly one of the rarest modern postal stationery items of Botswana. I have collected postal orders for nearly 20 years. This is the first example that I have seen or heard about. Thanks to Richard Solly of the Postal Order Society for providing the photocopy shown here.

Curved foot to '2' - SG 23b and SG42b

by Brian Hurst



(left) SG23b and SG23 horizontal pair, (centre) SG42b and SG42 horizontal pair
(right) Enlargement of a normal '2' and small '2' placed side by side (350%)

In view of the alarming frequency with which incorrectly described copies of these varieties, especially SG23b, appear for auction on eBay [and in dealer's stock - Editor], I felt it appropriate to provide illustrations for the benefit of members.

SG23b, the 2d. curved foot to '2' in red on 2d. unappropriated dies, has previously been illustrated at p.147 of Runner Post #9. This is some considerable time ago. Also I can find no previous instance of an illustration of SG42b.

In each of the pairs shown above the variety is the

left hand stamp. The unusual shape of the figure '2' shows clearly. The figure is small, and the curvature of the upper part of the '2' is very distinctive. I do, however, consider the Gibbons catalogue description of 'curved foot to 2' to be misleading since there are other figure '2's in the setting which could possibly be considered as having a 'curved foot'. I suggest a more accurate description would be 'small figure 2'. In making such a change, the catalogue editor should also take the opportunity to illustrate this 'figure 2' in order to avoid further confusion.

SG41b 1d Protectorate with wide space between '1' and 'd'

by Brian Hurst

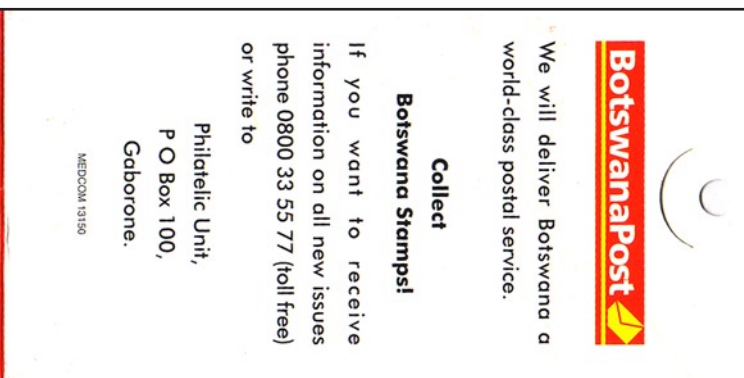


(left) SG41b horizontal pair (right) Enlargement of the overprints (300%)

Having achieved catalogue status in the 2005 edition of the Stanley Gibbons 'Commonwealth & British Empire Stamps 1840-1952' catalogue, I thought that members may wish to see an illustration of the actual variety for reference purposes.

The variety, illustrated above in pair with normal has previously been acknowledged as one of the unlisted varieties of the 1888 (7th Aug) 1d. Protectorate on 1d. lilac and black Unappropriated Dies overprinted stamp. It is mentioned by Holmes at page 84 of his

book 'The Postage Stamps, Postal Stationery, and Postmarks of the Bechuanalands' as occurring at position 117 of the setting. Although my lower marginal example confirms a position in Row 10 of the setting, I have yet to see evidence that indicates the position as the 9th stamp in the row. A block of 45 in the Philatelic Bureau at Gaborone could possibly provide the evidence, but access to the Philatelic Collections in Botswana is denied at the moment (a situation which I am currently attempting to reverse).



Botswana Booklets

by Peter Thy

BotswanaPost issued stamp booklets between 2002 and 2004 while the 50t and 55t local letter rates were in effect. They were first introduced in April 29, 2002, and were in use until the local letter rate in May 2004 increased to 80t.

The booklet cover shown here illustrates the first stamp issued in the booklet. Subsequent stamps, all of 50t or 55t denomination, used the same cover irrespective of actual design and denomination. The 5t increase in 2002 from 50t to 55t reflected the

addition of a 10% VAT to the stamp value. This was apparently not considered sufficient reason to change the printed price on the booklet. These booklets appear to have been a well kept secret in Botswana. The result is that few booklets appear to have reached collectors.

Steen Jelgren tells me that twelve different stamps are known to have been used in the booklet cover during the two and a half years that the cover was in use.

Postage Rates

Item	Sizes or Weight	within Botswana		SADC region		Rest of Africa		Europe		Rest of World	
		Surface	Air	Surface	Air	Surface	Air	Surface	Air	Surface	Air
Letters											
Standard	120x235x20mm	0.50	1.00	1.75	1.10	2.00	1.30	2.50	1.50	3.00	
Large	229x324x20mm	1.30	3.80	5.00	4.00	6.00	4.50	8.50	5.00	10.00	
Oversized	>229x324x20mm	2.10	7.40	10.00	8.00	12.00	9.00	15.00	10.00	18.00	
Post Cards		0.50	0.80	1.75	0.80	1.75	0.80	1.75	0.80	1.75	

Maximum Weights: Within Botswana: 1kg
International: 200g

Note: Letters must convey printed matter only. Any item which is not printed matter or which is heavier than the maximum weight must be sent as a parcel.



Identifying Genuine Stellaland Postage Stamps

by Neville Midwood

With the constant appearance of forgeries of Stellaland Postage stamps on eBay I thought it was time to recreate the following guide, which is based on the one I created on a web page on the Societies web site.

It was H.R. Holmes, in his book "The Postage Stamps, Postal Stationery, and Postmarks of the Bechuanalands" who listed the eight 'peculiarities' which were present on all of the five denominations due to their method of production - lithography.

The stone which is used in lithographic printing is a very fine-grained, compact limestone. The design is drawn on the grained surface of the stone with greasy inks or crayons, and the whole surface is then damped.



The grained surface helps to hold the water while the ink repels it. The whole stone is then rolled up with a printing ink which sticks to the greasy drawing, but not to the wet surface of the untouched stone.

For the Stellaland postage stamps the process started with the engraving of the die of the "Zes Pence" (6d) It is this die that had the eight 'peculiarities' noted.

Nine impressions were taken from this die and transferred to the stone in a horizontal strip. Each impression had minor flaws in addition to those on the die. This strip was repeated vertically thirteen times to give a sheet. These minor flaws become the column 'type' flaws noted by Holmes.

Some of these transfers picked up additional flaws which are also identified by Holmes. These flaws identify individual sheet positions.

The die for the 6d was used to make dies for the other four values, the value tablet of these sub-dies being altered for each value. During this process the main design of the "Een Shilling" die picked up one additional flaw and the value tablet has a noticeable feature - both of which are therefore on every Een Shilling stamp.

Sheets of the other four values differ in being eight impressions repeated twelve times.

The paper used was a coarse white wove paper without a watermark.

The simple design and the lack of a watermark immediately lead to forgeries - such as a series printed on the continent in the late 1880s which even included a Een Penny in blue. High catalogue prices continue to attract forgers seeking a training exercise.

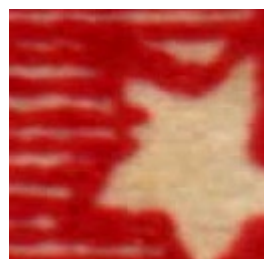
Most forgeries are easily spotted, not having all the 'peculiarities'. The perforations of genuine stamps

can never be described as "clean and precise" and any stamp having such perforations should be suspected. Many forgeries exist "used". Pen cancels by FCL, FH and CGD as noted in Holmes are genuine, as are some Kimberley and Transvaal postmarks. Genuine "Vryburg" postmarks are not known.

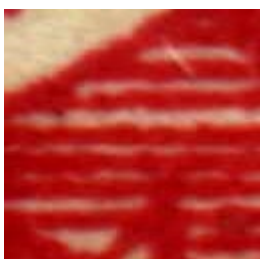
There is an exception to the easily spotted rule. According to Jurgens it was an employee of the printing firm in Cape Town who was responsible. He created forgeries of all five of the values from the actual "Zes Pence" stone. The values had to be recreated and the font differed such that the length of the words "Een", "Drie", "Vier" and "Een Shilling" differs from the genuine stamps*. "Zes Pence" did not need recreating and is therefore the same length and font.

The paper used was different and the stamps I have seen are narrower. The perforations are even poorer cut, but are the same 11½ as the originals.

* (mm)	Een	Drie	Vier	Zes	Een S
Genuine	13.5	14.5	15	17	17
"Stolen"	12.5	13.5	13.5	17	15



Two lines protrude into the star, the higher more than the lower.



There is a larger gap between the 3rd and 4th lines above the star in the shield



The left leaf below the shield does not touch the scroll



The lower left leaf below the shield has its tip cut through



There is a ball at the base of the upright of the R or Republiek

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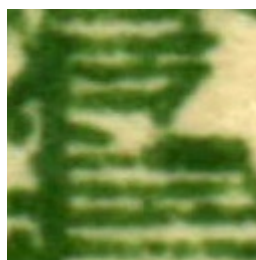
There is a minute dot before the E of REPUBLIEK



There is a ball at the top of the S of STELLALAND



There are dots after the S and above the T of POSTZEGEL



Een Shilling Only
There is a white spot to the left of the star in the shield



Een Shilling Only
The first E of EEN is raised.

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6
0
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Genuine Een Penny. Type 7. Perforation waste often remains Een Penny=13.5mm



Stolen Stone Forgery Has all 8 peculiarities. Shape/paper differs. Een Penny=12.5mm



Simple Forgery showing only three of the peculiarities and clean perforations



Genuine Used. Pen Cancelled 'F H 28/10/84'



Genuine Used. Transvaal cancellers are valid between Feb. 1884 and 7 Feb. 1885

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Twenty years ago

Newsletter No. 3 - Mar/Apr 1985

Reproduced below are the words and images - if not the exact layout (and spelling errors) - of the third Bechuanaland project Newsletter. - *Editor*

ARISING FROM LAST NEWSLETTER

Typology Brian Trotter and I have spent much time on this, working by correspondence. We eventually realised that we were becoming too much involved with minutiae such as: 'Kanye cancellation - is it a round dot or a square dot ' This realisation sent us back to Square One, with the admonishment -- Keep it Simple, Hence further delay - our apologies for those who are waiting.

LYONS POST - no further on this -- does no-one know? And SHOSHONG ROAD, we now believe this to be a genuine cancel/date-stamp, but would like the proof of a cover -- if any. Thanks to Karl Seligmann for his notes.

ANY OFFERS?

1. Five Covers, two Registered, from Mafeking (2) , Gaberones, Palachwe and Macloutsi and with numeral cancellations, one rather stained; the Macloutsi cover shows H in diamond.

Valuation £25

2. Remainder collection with B.B, 1885-86 to 6d; 1887 1d to 10/- unused and used; 1888 3d on 3d and to 1/- and later to 1/-; and B.P. 1888 to 6d, 1889 4d on ½d; 2987 - 1902 to 6d, K.E. to 1/-, 1914-24 to 5/-, 1938 ½d to 10/- and Postage Dues (18)- 275 stamps

Valuation £23

Sorry, 23 years too late , these were in the Burrus Collection Sale in 1962. Realisations were £34 and £32 respectively. Also 5/- and 10/- 'Protectorates', SG 49/50, were sold for £16 and £50. And the unissued 8d Unappropriated Die (have you seen one?) went for £21!!

'Newcomers' may wonder, as I did, why Macloutsi postmarks are not uncommon over a short period only. This was because early mail coming down the Pioneer Road from Matabeleland, and handed in at one of the new or temporary agencies between Fort Salisbury and Macloutsi which had not yet received date-stamps, were date-stamped when passing through Macloutsi. When other routes were established with the coming of the railway etc, the office at Macloutsi declined and was closed a few years later, to re-open about 40 years later at Bobonong.

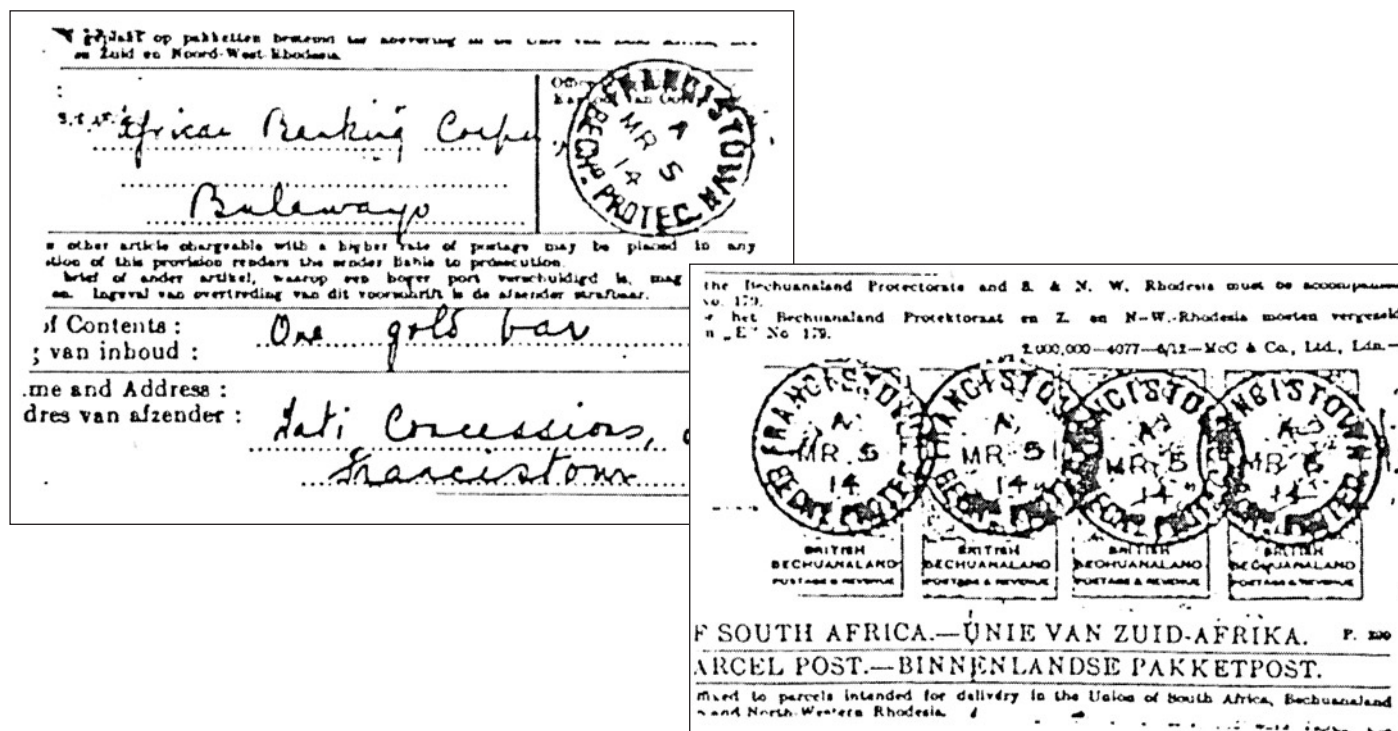
The 'H in diamond' cancel, mentioned above, was for TULL.

N.B. MaclouTSI versus MacloutSIE - anyone wish to comment?

The Mailing List for this Newsletter is now over 50, of whom we reckon that 26 are really interested in the Project, and would support an official organisation; some are marginally interested due to overlapping interests; seven have not replied, and others are non-Bechuanaland supporters - Post Office STONE, Rhodesian Study Circle, SPRINGBOK, etc. This may be enough to make a collectors' group or society viable, but an obvious snag is that these people are polarised either in England or South Africa, with a few 'off-shore islands' like Europe, U.S.A. and Wales... This precludes official meetings or 'General meetings', so that most contacts must be by mail.

Four of us met at Stampex in London in February: Jim Catterall, Brian Trotter and myself were very happy to meet and welcome Alan MacGregor. We agreed to send out a Questionnaire so that we shall hopefully obtain the views of fellow-collectors, and then decide whether it would be worth-while to begin a formal association with officers, subscription, etc, or whether to carry on informally as at present.

USAGE OF HIGH-VALUE STAMPS AT FRANCISTOWN



Until a year or two ago I often wondered how many of the high-value stamps of Bechuanaland had really been postally used, and the answer seemed to be -- not many. I had seen a lot of 'Seahorses' used on covers and piece which were obviously over-franked and philatelically inspired, many of them being addressed to dealers or collectors in U.K. A number of the stamps showed date cancels as late as 1940 which was after the date of demonetisation which meant that they could no longer be postally used.

Apart from all this, the most common cancellation in the Protectorate appeared to be that of Francistown, and I remember H.R. Holmes telling me that all his used Seahorses bore that cancel.

The reason became clear when I discovered that gold bars were sent by post from the Tati goldfields to Bulawayo. The parcel label illustrated above shows that the postage on one gold bar from the Tati Concessions Ltd to the African Banking Corp. at Bulawayo was eight shillings -- in this case 4 X 2/- stamps of the B.B. 1887 issue were used. At that date in March 1914 the Seahorses were not yet available.

The label shows incidentally the length of time that the Victorian high values of British Bechuanaland continued in use in the Protectorate.

At last autumn's B.P.F. Exhibition, Mr. Charles Barkaway's display included one or two similar parcel labels which included Seahorses in the franking, and formed very attractive items indeed.

Jim Catterall

(C.B.'s Seahorse-label to be included in next Newsletter -- R.S.)

A REALLY MUCKY COVER

There seems to be a movement to accept incoming mails as part of a country collection. Therefore I may include a very dirty cover sent From Rumania to Botswana -- surely there cannot be much correspondence between these two countries?

The main interest is that this cover bears a cachet, in two languages:

RETRIEVED FROM AIR CRASH ON
20 NOVEMBER 1974 AT NAIROBI

Yes, the
Lufthansa crash

Three Rumanian stamps with purple postmark (? Craiova), envelope roughly opened at top and torn at bottom, and heavily soiled.

It will look much nicer when I have carefully cleaned off the dirt from the envelope, and I might be able to make a decent photocopy to show you -- BUT -- clean off that lovely irreplaceable Embakasi murrum -- NEVER!

This is more like a Newsletter should be - not just a one-man effort. Lets keep it up -- more contributions please, short and sweet. Next issue? After B.P.E. in October, D.V. In the meantime - completed Questionnaires please.

R.S.

Checklist of Botswana Postmarks (2nd Series)

Part Four

The fourth instalment from the Botswana Postmark Project Team as they continue to extend the earlier work done on Botswana Postmarks (1st Series) by Brian Trotter. The study follows the same Postal Marking Classification System (Typology) as the 1st series and continues numbering from the 1st series.

The Project Team consists of Bruce Warrender, John Inglefield-Watson, Peter Thy and David Wall - with assistance from Sheila Case, Barbara Andersson, Steen Jelgren, Dennis Firth, David Allison (non member) and Peter Jukes.

The earliest date being included in this "2nd Series" is 01-Jun-1995 i.e. only new postmarks and markings appearing after this date, which have not been previously recorded, are included.


"Number so far recorded" only includes what is contained in the collections of the small number of members working on the Postmark Project and does not necessarily represent relative scarcity.


During the course of this study new types of sub-variants for some of the postmarks have been found. It is hoped to publish a list of the new variants at the end of the project.


Further information on recorded postmarks, copies of better illustrations, and, of course, information on unrecorded markings is welcome and should be sent to Bruce Warrender (post) or e-mailed to the Editor.


Bruce wishes to thank all the team members and also John Schaerer for their contributions


For Offices Beginning - MAB to MAR


MABELEAPUDI	No 6 Type 21 F 22	
	Circle diameters	22mm & 35mm
	Earliest recorded date	07-Sep-2000
	Latest recorded date	07-Sep-2000
	Number so far recorded	1


MABULE	No 5 Type 2 F 18	
	Circle diameters	18mm & 27mm
	Earliest recorded date	02-Mar-1999
	Latest recorded date	02-Mar-1999
	Number so far recorded	1


MABULE	No 6 Type 21 B 55	
	Circle diameters	21mm & 35mm
	Earliest recorded date	20-Apr-2000
	Latest recorded date	13-Nov-2000
	Number so far recorded	2


MABULE	No 7 21 B 56(1)	
	Circle diameters	22mm & 35mm
	Earliest recorded date	05-Nov-2004
	Latest recorded date	05-Nov-2004
	Number so far recorded	1


MABUTSANE	No 4 Type 21 B 56(1)	
	Circle diameters	22mm & 35mm
	Earliest recorded date	23-Jan-2004
	Latest recorded date	08-Nov-2004
	Number so far recorded	2

MABUTSANE	No 5 Type 61 J 27 Struck in red	
	Similar to No 3, except larger lettering and larger dimensions. (RP #38 p.842)	
	Outer oval dimensions	39mm by 59mm
	Earliest recorded date	23-Jan-2004
	Latest recorded date	23-Jan-2004
	Number so far recorded	1

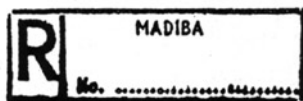
MACHANENG	No 5 Type 21 B 56(1)	
	Circle diameters	22mm & 35mm
	Earliest recorded date	10-Nov-2000
	Latest recorded date	10-Nov-2004
	Number so far recorded	3

MADIBA	No 2 Type 21 B 55	
	Circle diameters	22mm & 35mm
	Earliest recorded date	17-Aug-2000
	Latest recorded date	17-Aug-2000
	Number so far recorded	1

MADIBA	No 3 Type 5 J 27 Struck in red	
	Oval dimensions	27mm by 60mm
	Earliest recorded date	??-Oct-1997
	Latest recorded date	??-Oct-1997
	Number so far recorded	1

MADIBA	No 4 Type 61 J 27 Struck in red	
	Outer oval dimensions	35mm by 58mm
	Earliest recorded date	17-Aug-2000
	Latest recorded date	17-Aug-2000
	Number so far recorded	1

MADIBA	No 5 Type REGN 2a Struck in red	
	Box dimensions	12mm by 38mm
	Earliest recorded date	17-Aug-2000
	Latest recorded date	17-Aug-2000
	Number so far recorded	1



MADIBA	No 6 Type REGN 5 Struck in red	
	Box dimensions	10mm by 44mm
	Earliest recorded date	17-Aug-2000
	Latest recorded date	17-Aug-2000
	Number so far recorded	1



MADIBA	No 7 Type MISC 6 z 40 Struck in red	
	Outer oval dimensions	36mm by 56mm
	Earliest recorded date	03-Nov-2004
	Latest recorded date	03-Nov-2004
	Number so far recorded	1





New sub-variant z 40. "BOTSWANAPOST" at top with "POSTMASTER" above {OFFICE NAME} (2 lines) at base.


MAHALAPYE	No 29 Type 2 B 59	
	Circle diameters	18mm & 27mm
	Earliest recorded date	22-Jun-1995
	Latest recorded date	22-Nov-2004
	Number so far recorded	15





New sub-variant 59. {OFFICE NAME} at the top. "BOTSWANA RLS" at the base.

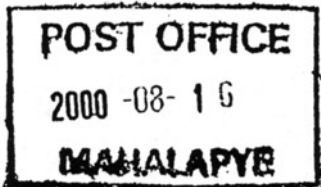
MAHALAPYE	No 30 Type 2 C 23(1)	
	Circle diameters	19mm & 27mm
	Earliest recorded date	16-Aug-2000
	Latest recorded date	16-Aug-2000
	Number so far recorded	1

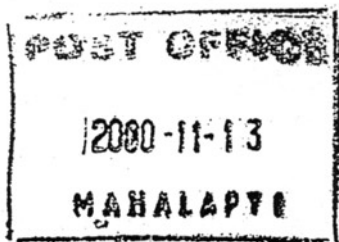
MAHALAPYE	No 31 Type 2 C 23(2)	
	Circle diameters	19mm & 27mm
	Earliest recorded date	16-Jun-2000
	Latest recorded date	08-May-2001
	Number so far recorded	2


MAHALAPYE	No 32 Type 2 C 23(3)	
	Circle diameters	19mm & 27mm
	Earliest recorded date	27-Nov-1996
	Latest recorded date	09-Apr-2003
	Number so far recorded	2

MAHALAPYE	No 33 Type 2 C 23(5)	
	Circle diameters	19mm & 27mm
	Earliest recorded date	02-Aug-1999
	Latest recorded date	21-Jun-2002
	Number so far recorded	3

<div>MAHALAPYE</div> <div>  </div>	No 34 Type 21 F 11(4)	
	Circle diameters	22mm & 35mm
	Earliest recorded date	16-Aug-2000
	Latest recorded date	16-Aug-2001
	Number so far recorded	3

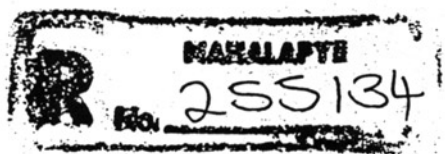
<div>MAHALAPYE</div> <div>  </div>	No 35 Type 8 J 26 Struck in red	
	Box dimensions	24mm by 41mm
	Earliest recorded date	16-Aug-2000
	Latest recorded date	16-Aug-2000
	Number so far recorded	1

<div>MAHALAPYE</div> <div>  </div>	No 36 Type 8 J 26 Struck in red	
	Box dimensions	30mm by 43mm
	Earliest recorded date	13-Nov-2000
	Latest recorded date	13-Nov-2000
	Number so far recorded	1

<div>MAHALAPYE</div> <div>  </div>	No 37 Type 1 M 19(6)	
	Circle diameter	40mm
	Earliest recorded date	01-Nov-2004
	Latest recorded date	01-Nov-2004
	Number so far recorded	1

New sub-variant 19. "BOTSWANAPOST" at top with "COUNTER" followed by a number above {OFFICE NAME} followed by "POST OFFICE" (2 lines) at base.

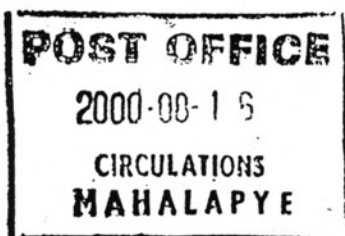
MAHALAPYE	No 38 Type REGN 3a One struck in red/one struck in black	
	Box dimensions	18mm by 56mm
	Earliest recorded date	29-Jun-2001
	Latest recorded date	16-Aug-2001
	Number so far recorded	2



MAHALAPYE	No 39 Type MISC 6 v Struck in red	
	Outer oval dimensions	32mm & 65mm
	Earliest recorded date	16-Aug-2000
	Latest recorded date	16-Aug-2000
	Number so far recorded	1




MAHALAPYE	No 40 Type MISC 7 z Struck in red	
	Box dimensions	30mm by 44mm
	Earliest recorded date	16-Aug-2000
	Latest recorded date	16-Aug-2000
	Number so far recorded	1





New sub-variant 7 z. "POST OFFICE" at top with "CIRCULATIONS" above {OFFICE NAME} (2 lines) at base.


MAHIKANA	No 6 Type 21 B 56(1)	
	Circle diameters	22mm & 35mm
	Earliest recorded date	01-Nov-2004
	Latest recorded date	01-Nov-2004
	Number so far recorded	1





<div>MAHIKANA</div> <div>  </div>	No 7 Type 61 C 27	
	Outer oval dimensions	38mm & 59mm
	Earliest recorded date	18-Nov-2000
	Latest recorded date	18-Nov-2000
	Number so far recorded	1

<div>MAITENGWE</div> <div>  </div>	No 6 Type 21 B 55	
	Circle diameters	22mm & 35mm
	Earliest recorded date	16-Aug-2000
	Latest recorded date	16-Feb-2001
	Number so far recorded	2


<div>MAITENGWE</div> <div>  </div>	No 7 Type 61 J 43 Struck in red	
	Outer oval dimensions	39mm & 60mm
	Earliest recorded date	09-Nov-2004
	Latest recorded date	09-Nov-2004
	Number so far recorded	1


<div>MAJWANENG</div> <div>  </div>	No 3 Type 21 F 22	
	Circle diameters	22mm & 35mm
	Earliest recorded date	24-Aug-2000
	Latest recorded date	24-Aug-2000
	Number so far recorded	1




MAKALAMABEDI	No 3 Type 21 B 51	
	Circle diameters	21mm & 35mm
	Earliest recorded date	20-Mar-2002
	Latest recorded date	20-Mar-2002
	Number so far recorded	1


MAKALENG	No 3 Type 21 J 26	
	Circle diameters	22mm & 36mm
	Earliest recorded date	16-Aug-2000
	Latest recorded date	01-Nov-2004
	Number so far recorded	2


MAKOPONG	A new office, west of Werda. Date of opening is unknown.
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MAKOPONG	No 1 Type 21 F 22	
	Circle diameters	22mm & 35mm
	Earliest recorded date	13-Jan-2000
	Latest recorded date	13-Jan-2000
	Number so far recorded	1


MAKWATE	No 3 Type 21 F 22	
	Circle diameters	22mm & 35mm
	Earliest recorded date	19-Feb-2001
	Latest recorded date	08-Nov-2004
	Number so far recorded	2

MAMONO	This office is closed. Date of closure is unknown	
MANYANA	During the transition period between old cancellers being returned and new cancellers being received this office was using a canceller from Mmankgodi (Type 8 J 26 on 29-Aug-2000).	
MANYANA	No 6 Type 61 F 38	
	Outer oval dimensions	35mm & 57mm
	Earliest recorded date	23-Jul-2003
	Latest recorded date	03-Nov-2004
	Number so far recorded	2
	New sub-variant 38. {OFFICE NAME} followed by "P.A." at top with "BOTSWANA" at base with star separators.	
MAOKANE	No 4 Type 21 F 22	
	Circle diameters	22mm & 35mm
	Earliest recorded date	03-Apr-2001
	Latest recorded date	09-Aug-2001
	Number so far recorded	2
MAOKATUMA	No 5 Type 21 B 55	
	Circle diameters	22mm & 35mm
	Earliest recorded date	15-Feb-2001
	Latest recorded date	15-Feb-2001
	Number so far recorded	1

MAOKATUMA	No 6 Type 21 B 56(1)	
	Circle diameters	22mm & 35mm
	Earliest recorded date	15-Feb-2001
	Latest recorded date	15-Feb-2001
	Number so far recorded	1

MAOKATUMA	No 7 Type 61 J 43 Struck in red	
 (note spelling MAOKATUMO)	Outer oval dimensions	38mm & 56mm
	Earliest recorded date	15-Feb-2001
	Latest recorded date	15-Feb-2001
	Number so far recorded	1
New sub-variant 43. "BOTSWANAPOST" at top with {OFFICE NAME} at base.		

MAPOKA	No 4 Type 21 F 22	
	Circle diameters	22mm & 35mm
	Earliest recorded date	06-Sep-2000
	Latest recorded date	05-Nov-2004
	Number so far recorded	2

MARAPONG	No 5 Type 21 F 22	
	Circle diameters	21mm & 35mm
	Earliest recorded date	19-Feb-2001
	Latest recorded date	03-Nov-2004
	Number so far recorded	2

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