

# Bahrain

## Postal history highlights

*By 2000 BC Bahrain was known as wealthy Dilmun, hub of a vast trading empire. By 600 BC it was incorporated in the Assyrian Empire but remained largely independent. Bahrain was occupied by Portugal from 1522 to 1602 and then by Persia and Oman until the still ruling Al Khalifa family took control in 1783. In 1861 the Ruler agreed to British protection, until independence in 1971.*

*A post office was opened in 1884, using Indian stamps until "BAHRAIN" overprints were issued in 1933.*

*This collection covers the postal services of the Indian, Pakistani, British and independent post offices, including provisional postmarks, war-time routings, mixed frankings, destination and incoming mail, proofs and postal stationery with a focus on items of special historical interest.*

### *Literature:*

*Neil Donaldson "The Postal Agencies in Eastern Arabia and the Gulf" (1975)*

*T.E. Jones, "A Postal history of the Arabian Gulf Post Offices" (1994)*

*Alan Parsons "The Indian Postal Agencies in the Persian Gulf Area" (2001)*

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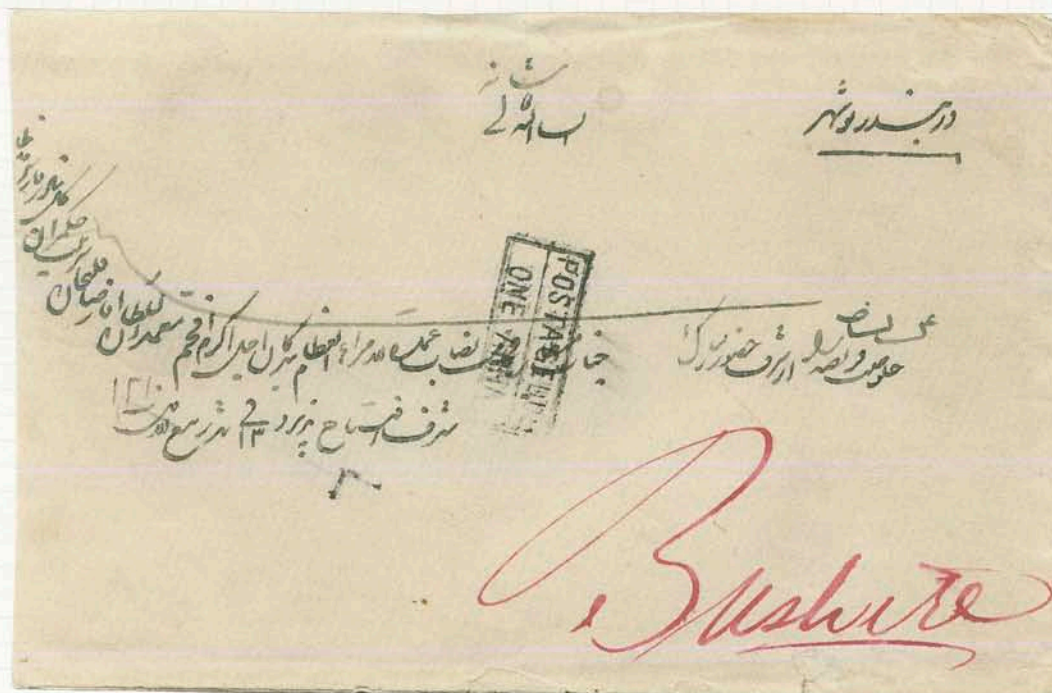
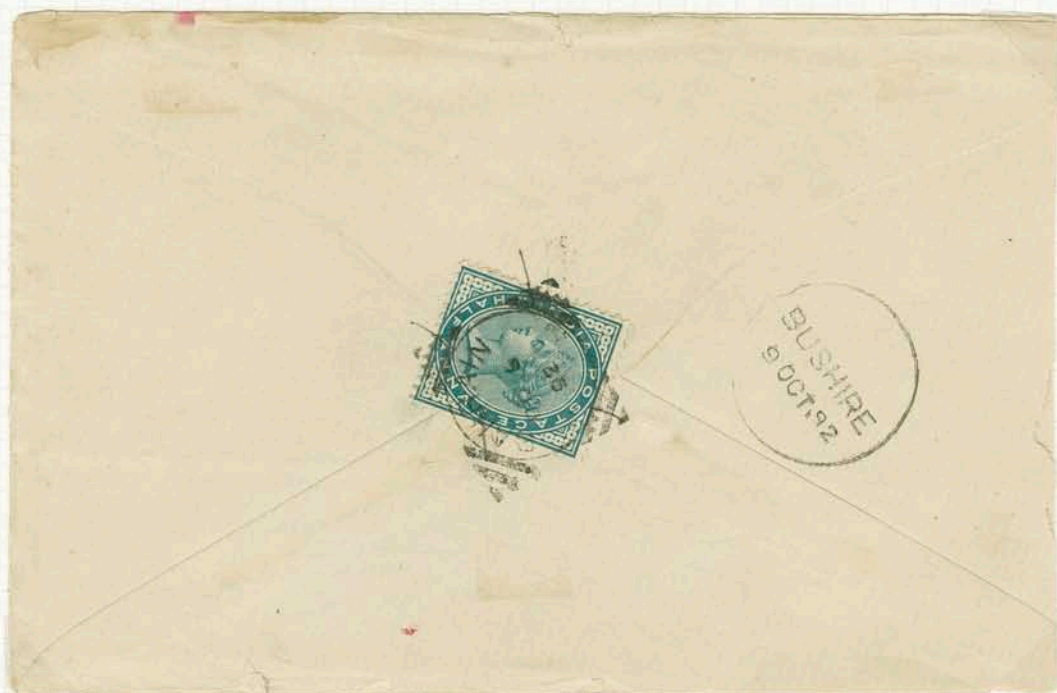
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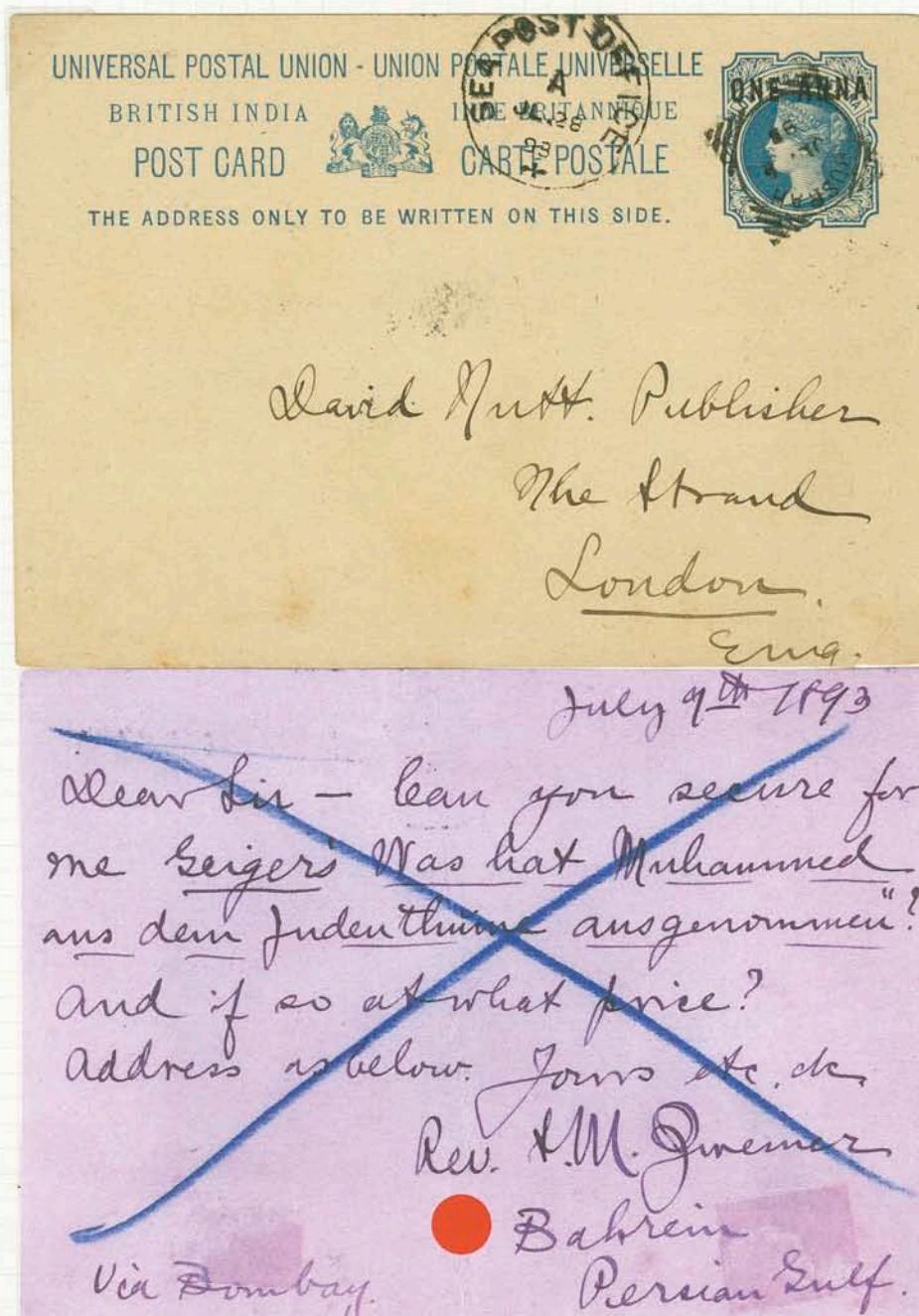
# Bahrain

1892 (6.10), underpaid cover to Bushire (arr. cds. 9.10), franked QV ½ A., with Squared Circle cancel. On the front boxed "POSTAGE DUE/ ONE ANNA". The earliest of the two recorded examples of this mark from Bahrain.



# Bahrain

1893, Postcard "ONE ANNA" from Bahrain (9.7), sent via Basra (11.7) and postmarked there (Proud KD 9, over one year later than recorded), then via Sea Post Office A (28.7) to Bombay and London. A very rare early commercial usage and routing.

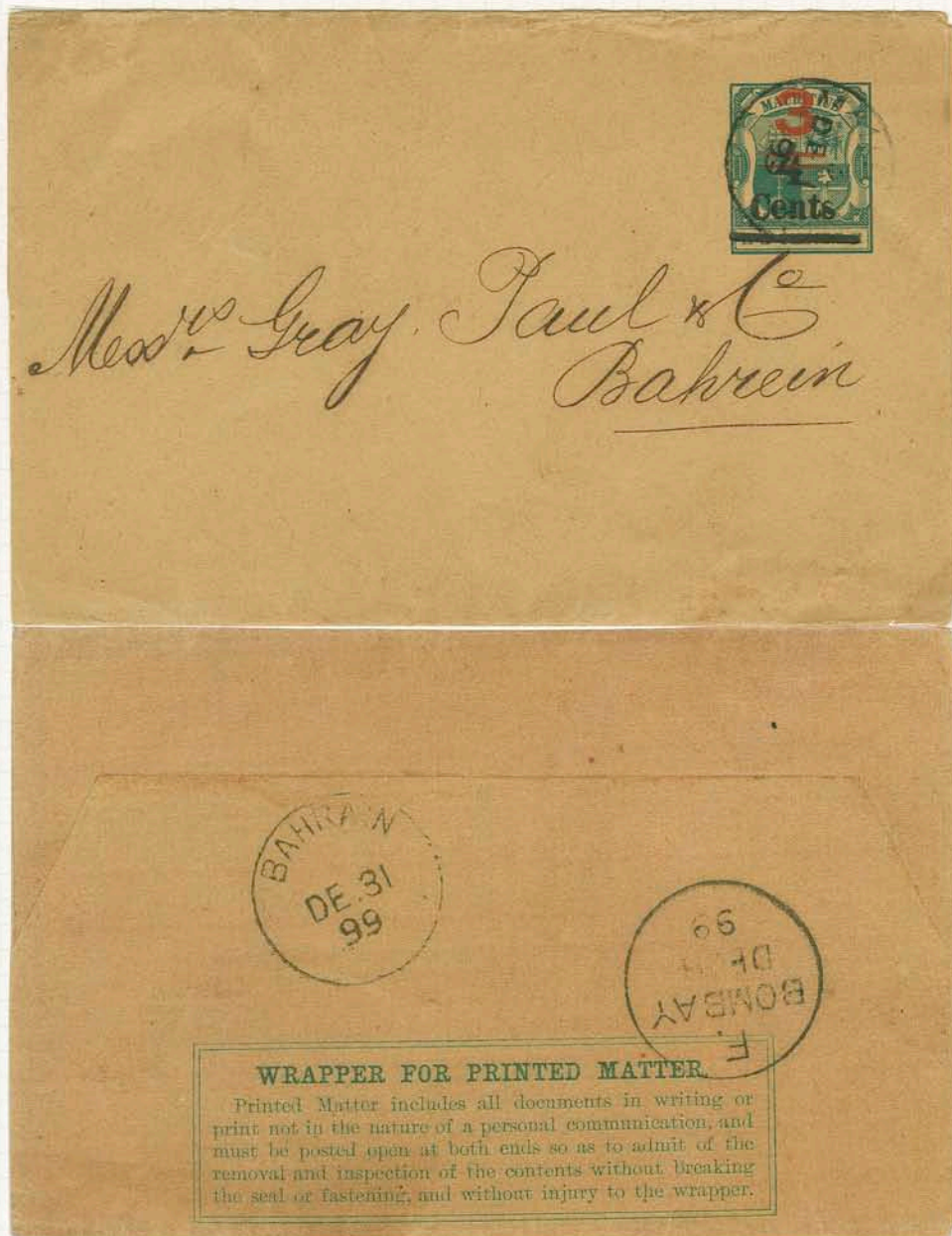




# Bahrain

1899, incoming mail from Mauritius.

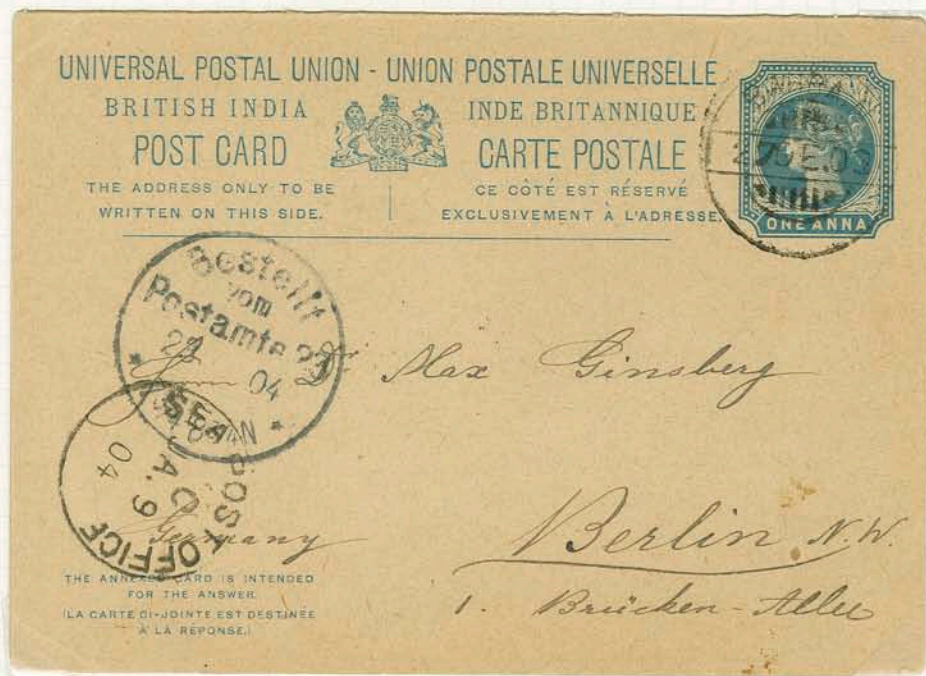
Newspaper wrapper 3 on 4 on 5c. from Mauritius (1.12) via Bombay (28.12) to Bahrain (31.12, Donaldson T.3). A very early and rare origin.





# Bahrain

1903, pair of Reply Postcards 1A. with the reply sections still attached, sent from Bahrain (27.12) via Aden Sea Post Office (9.1.04) to Berlin (23.1). A very rare usage.



# Bahrain

1905, incoming mail from Bushire (cancelled 17 May 05) to Manama, Bahrain (received 18 May 05); 2 1/2 annas postage affixed; large squared circle cancel; single circle BAHRAIN receiving cancel on reverse. The BUSHIRE canceler has the broken letters "R" and "E". The original letter is enclosed written in French.

Bonclur, le 15 mai 1905.

Cher Monsieur Perronne,  
Votre lettre du 24 avril m'est  
parvenue bien avant celle que  
vous avez eu l'amabilité d'écrire



Monsieur  
G. Perronne  
Manamah  
Bahreïn.



# Bahrain

1908, the unique India "ONE ANNA" envelope used from Bahrain (7. Oct) via "SEA POST OFFICE/BOMBAY-ADEN/24.OC" (on reverse), to England with tax markings.



The writer expected to benefit from the soldiers' concessionary rate, but was taxed, with "30 c" and two strikes of a large "T" struck in Bahrain, plus British "3D F.B." (Foreign Branch) on arrival. Neither this envelope nor the tax mark previously known from Bahrain.



# Bahrain

1905, QV 3Ps. (pair) single rate ( $\frac{1}{2}$ A.) from Bahrain (20.4) to Bombay (29.4)

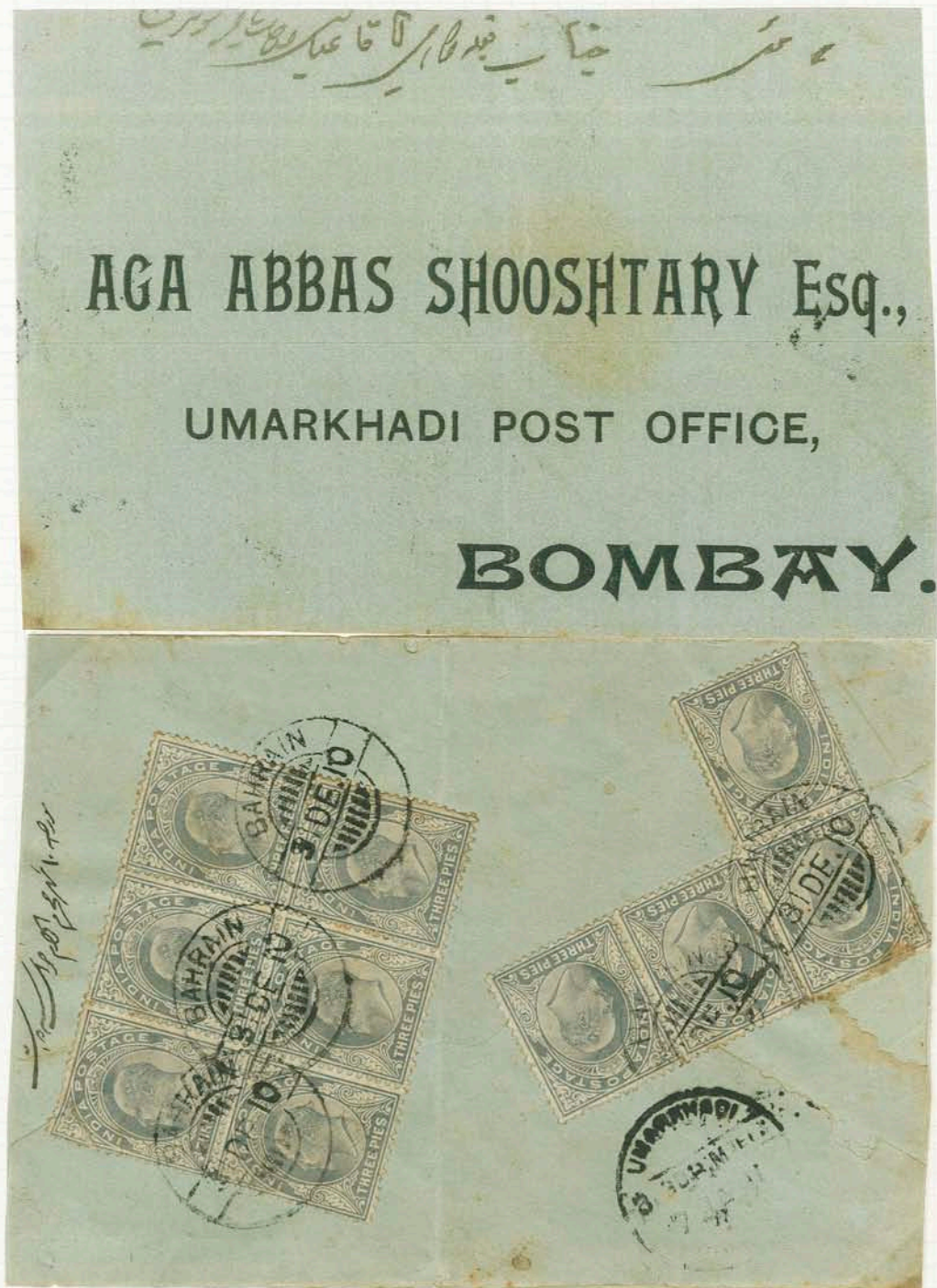




# Bahrain

1910, E VII 3Ps. (10) on printed business cover from Bahrain (31.12) to Bombay (7.1).

A very unusual 2 ½ As. franking.





# Bahrain

1905, QV 3Ps. (pair) single rate ( $\frac{1}{2}$ A.) from Bahrain (20.4) to Bombay (29.4)





# Bahrain

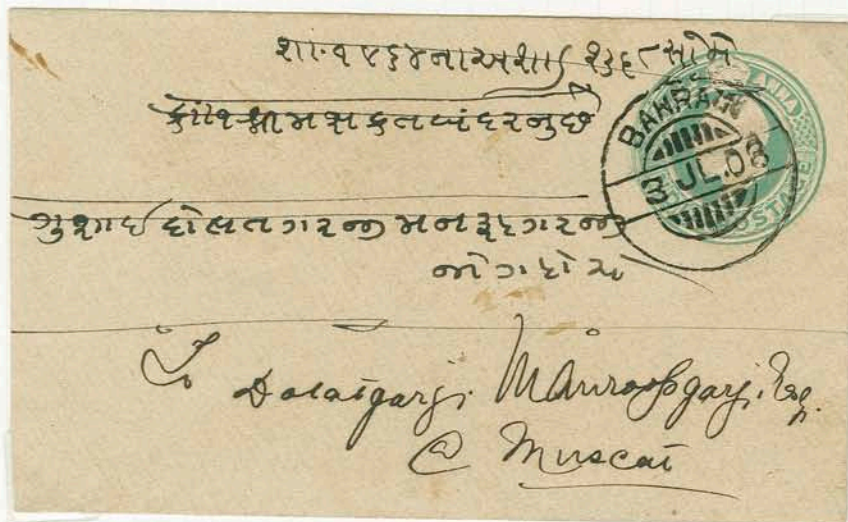
1912, registered cover from Bahrain (18.2) to Bombay (24.2), franked 3 As. and with the provisional registration label only recorded used this year.

Donaldson records the 3 As. as "occasionally" used in Bahrain.



## Bahrain

1903-17, E. VII and G. V ½ Anna envelopes, both to Muscat with arrival cds. on reverse, the latter censored in transit in Bombay. A scarce pair.





# Bahrain

1915, 1 A. rate to India.

Cover from Bahrain (15.1, Don. Type 4) to Bombay with hand-written censor's notes on the front, including "pro-Turkish" and "Enclosure for Medina". A remarkable survival!

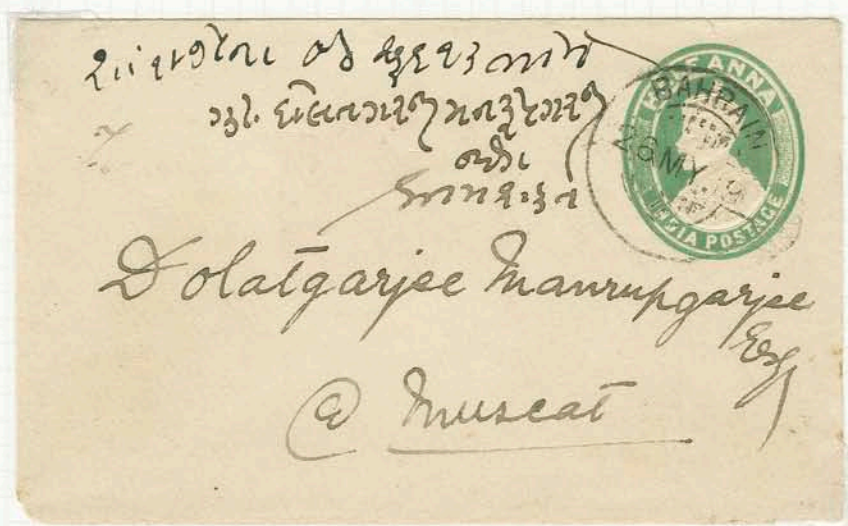




# Bahrain

1914-17, mail to Muscat

1914, KG V envelope ½ A. and 1917, postcard ¼ A., both to Muscat, the card via Bushire and censored there. Scarce usages.



# Bahrain

1923,

India "SERVICE"

$\frac{1}{2}$  A. (2) and 2 As.

on O.H.M.S. registered

cover front to Bombay,

with scarce registration

cachet No. 18.

**O. H. M. S.**

The Secretary to  
The Government of Bombay  
The Political Department  
The Secretariat  
Bombay

162/41814  
Office of the Political Agent, Bahrain, Persian Gulf.  
S 2839-2000-1-22.  
G. O. P. D., No. 4410, dated 9-6-17.]

Mail with

"SERVICE" stamps

is rare and the cachet

is used 7 years (!) earlier

than recorded by Donaldson.



# Bahrain

1926,

Registered Envelope size J

2As. + 1A.

from Bahrain

(2.11) to Muscat (6.11).

A very rare

inter-Gulf

usage of this

size envelope,

not previously

recorded

used in the

Gulf.



# Bahrain

1928, Advertising cover, franked India 3As. for the surface mail rate to USA.

A scarce rate and very early advertising cover.

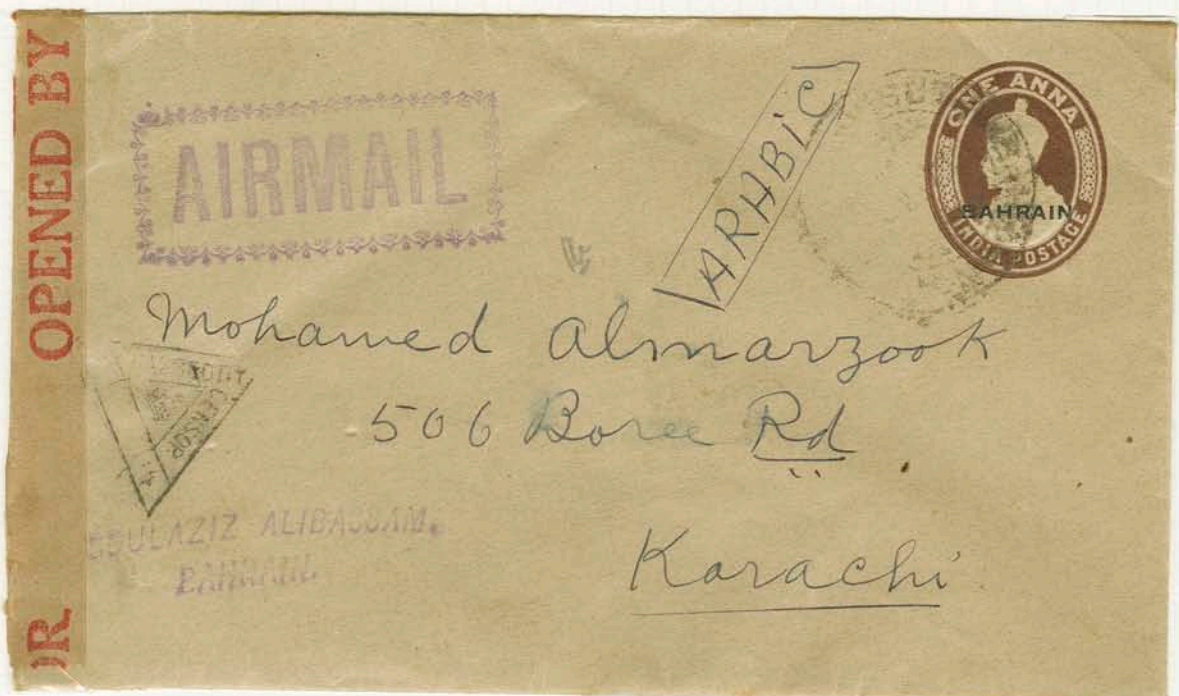




# Bahrain

1926-41, KG V. the "ONE ANNA" envelope

1926, used from Bahrain (22.4) to Kot (2.5) and 1941, overprinted "BAHRAIN", uprated with block  $\frac{1}{2}$  A. and 3 Ps. on reverse (3 As. 3 Ps. rate), by airmail to Karachi, re-sealed by censor.





# Bahrain

1929, India ½ A. in marginal block of 18 on pre-printed business cover from Bahrain  
(17.11) via Basra (20.11) to Germany (9 As. rate). A rare multiple franking.

From,

**ASGHAR ALI BROTHERS.**

GENERAL MERCHANTS & COMMISSION AGENTS.

**BAHRAIN, (PERSIAN GULF.)**

BY AIR MAIL.

To,

Messrs NEUE ELEMENT WERKE.





# Bahrain

1932, 1A. (9) and 3 Ps. (=9 ¼ Ps.) on pre-printed business cover from Bahrain (16.11) to Bombay (21.11) with the airmail label deleted with a red cross, possibly because underpaid. Still transit only 5 days. Cancelled with the "short-lived" (Donaldson) Type 5B cds.



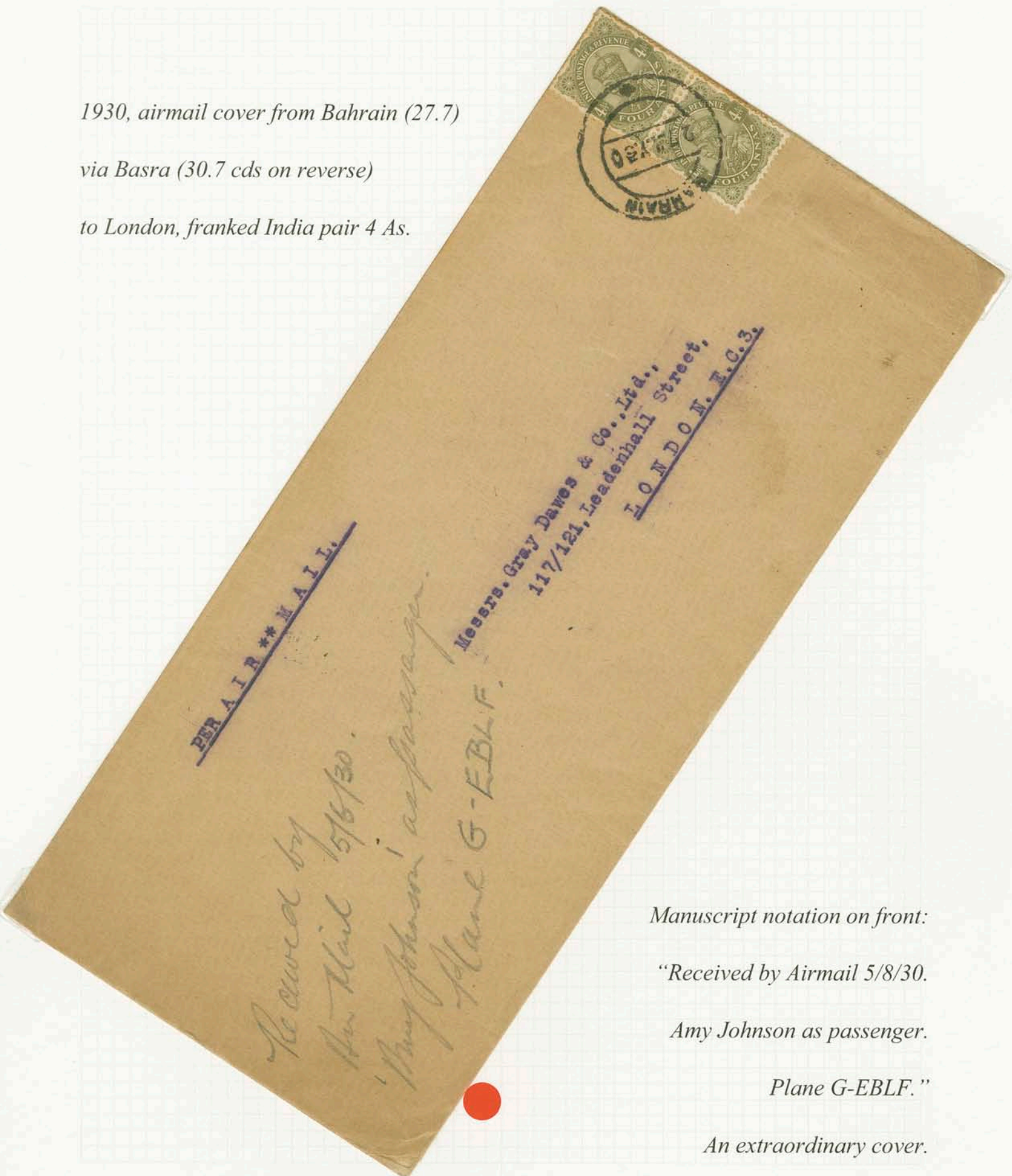


# Bahrain

1930, airmail cover from Bahrain (27.7)

via Basra (30.7 cds on reverse)

to London, franked India pair 4 As.



Manuscript notation on front:

"Received by Airmail 5/8/30.

Amy Johnson as passenger.

Plane G-EBLF."

An extraordinary cover.



*Registered*

No. 11

To

**O. H. M. S.**

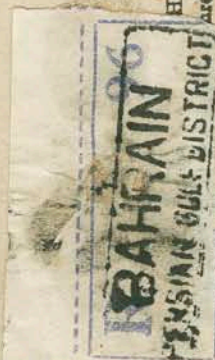


Spl.—Bah. S.

The Secretary to His Excellency

The High Commissioner for Mesopotamia,

**BAGHDAD.**



Head Clerk,  
Persian Gulf District,  
Bahrain, Persian Gulf.

S 4854-10005-1-24

G. O., P. D., No. 4416, dated 9-5-17.]

1930,  
registered OHMS  
cover front,  
franked 2 As. and  
3 As. pair to the  
High Commissioner  
for Mesopotamia  
in Bagdad.  
Very unusual.



# Bahrain

1932, India KGV ½ A., 1 A. pair and 6 As. (8 ½ As. rate) on first flight cover from Bahrain (8.10) to Leicester England where a ½ d. handling fee was charged.

A scarce combination.





# Bahrain

1932, Air mail cover from London (1.10), franked 7 d., to Bahrain and returned by sea mail (airmail label deleted). Arr. cds. 2.10 on reverse. The "REEXPEDIE" handstamp is very rarely seen from Bahrain.



# Bahrain

1932, 3 As. 3 Ps. Rate to India. A scarce, short-lived rate.



To,

**MR. G. N. MUSRY,**

P. O. BOX No. 576,

**BOMBAY, 1.**  
INDIA.



# Bahrain

1931, First Flight cover from Brisbane (7.12) via Calcutta (17.12) to Bahrain (20.12).

Very few flown.





## *Bahrain*

*1932, First Flight cover from Athens (8.11) to Bahrain (arr. cds. 10.11 on reverse), with special Flight cachet. Very few flown.*





# Bahrain

1932, First Flight covers to Greece and England.

Bahrain (5.10) to Athens (10.10), insufficiently franked with 6 As. (instead of 8 ½ As.), with very rare Bahrain "T" due mark and red Greek air cachet.



Bahrain (5.10) to Oxford (13.10), with 8 As. (instead of 8 ½ As.) taxed 1 d., also Bahrain "T" mark which "has only been recorded once" (T.E. Jones, p.57).



# Bahrain

1932, First Flight cover to England (dep. 5.10, arr. 13.10), franked India 8 ½ As. and  
1933, Airmail cover to USA franked Bahrain 3 Ps. (2) and 3 As. (3) (9 ½ As. rate),  
cancelled 9.10 although Donaldson only records the overprinted 3 Ps. issued in  
December!





# Bahrain

1933, Imperial Airways first flight cover from Bahrain (29.3) to Athens (1.4), with Greek arrival cachet. Very few flown.





# Bahrain

1932, First Flight Basra – Bahrain.

Cover from "BASRAH CITY" (5.10) via "BASRAH SOR" (5.10) to Bahrain (7.10), and returned from there (7.10) to Basra (15.10) by sea-mail. Donaldson states that the postage was 29 fils, but the cover has not been taxed despite bearing only 25 fils.





# Bahrain

1932, pair of illustrated first flight covers from Basra (4.10) to Bahrain (arr. cds. 7.10 on reverse) and from Bahrain (5.10) via Basra (7.10) to Bagdad (9.10), underpaid and bearing the scarce distinctive Bahrain "T" cachet. On arrival it received the Bagdad horseshoe due cachet, with the charge (2 As. 6 Ps.) converted to 30 Fils.





# Bahrain

1932, Imperial Airways First Flight London to Bahrain.

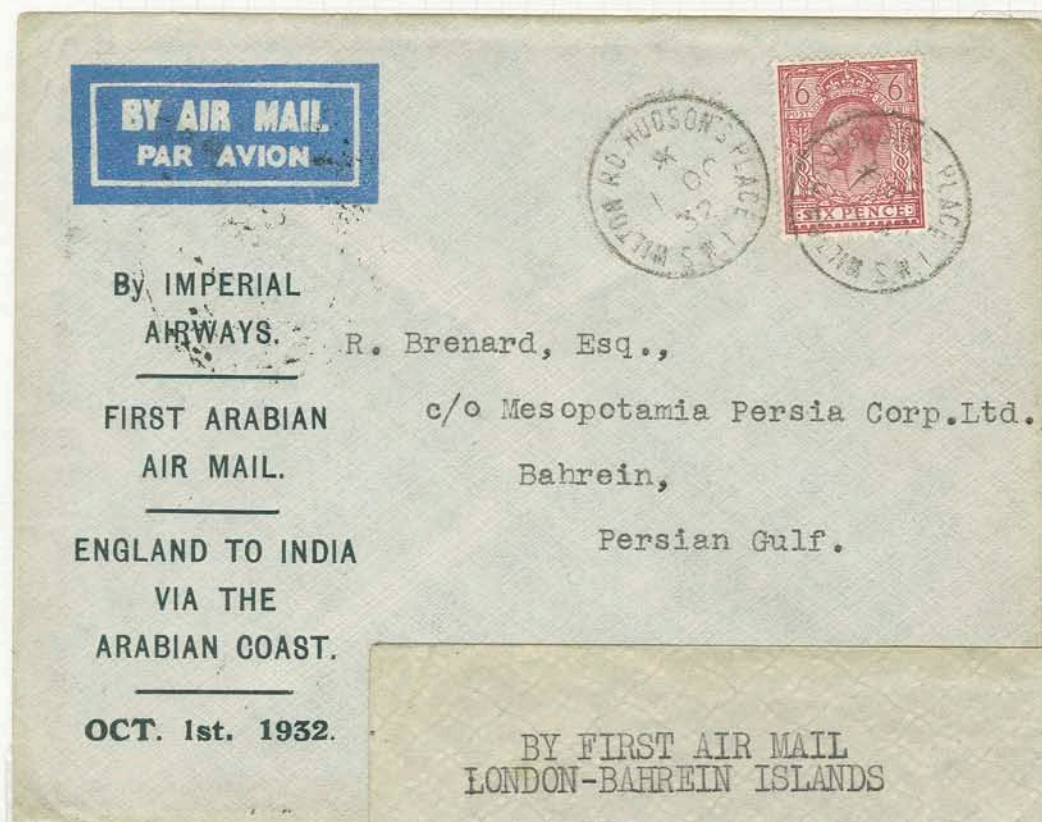
6 d. on cover from London (1.10) back-stamped "Bahrain" (7.10) and  $2+3+4=9$  d. on registered cover, dep. 30.9, arr. 6.10 (Donaldson Types 5A and 5B).





# Bahrain

1932, pair of First Flight covers from London (1.10) to Bahrain (7.10), both backstamped on arrival with the "short-lived" (Donaldson) Type 5B. cds. A scarce pair.





# Bahrain

1932, First Flight covers from Karachi.

Pair of covers from Karachi (1.10) to Bahrain (13.10), one returned to Karachi (dep. Bahrain 15.10).





# Bahrain

1932, First Flight cover from Basra (5.10) to Bahrain (7.10), marked "Sharjah" and with Bahrain dep. cds. (8.10), but no indication of arrival in Sharjah. Only 30 covers carried on this flight.

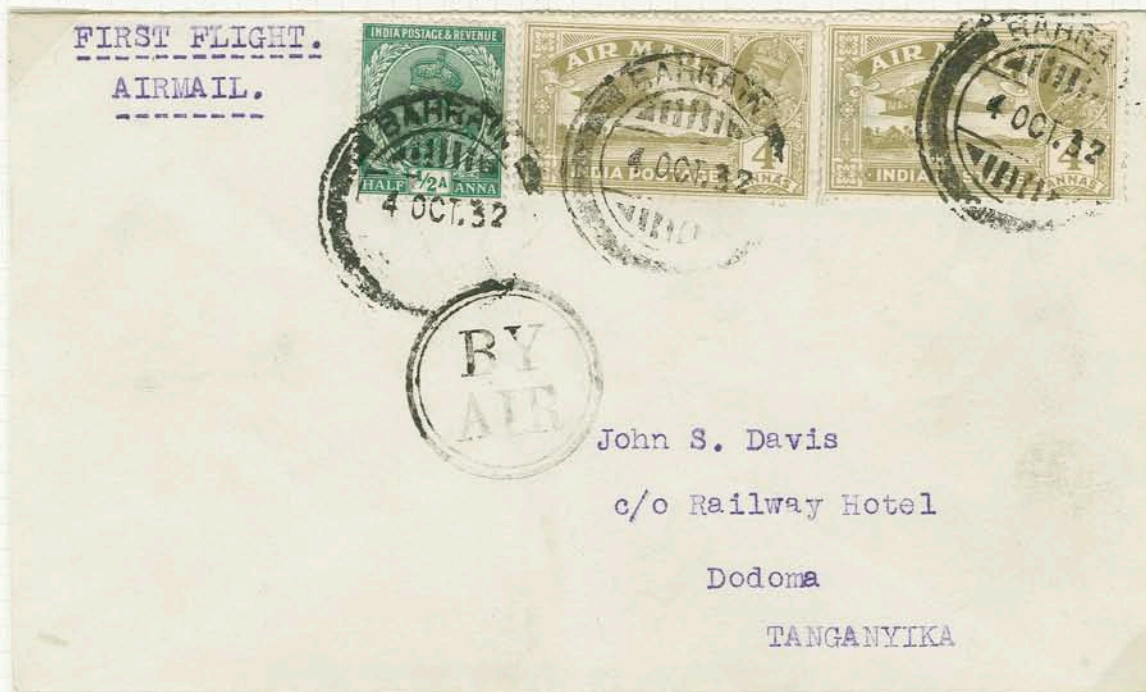




# Bahrain

1932, First Flight covers to Africa.

Pair of covers from Bahrain (cds T.6, 4.10), one via Cairo (8.10) to Dodoma, Tanganyika (3.10), the other to Wadi Halfa, Sudan (9.10) and re-directed via Shellal Halfa (13.10) to England. Very few flown.





# Bahrain

1932, pair of registered Imperial Airways First Flight covers from Bagdad (5.10) to Bahrain (6.10), then returned from Bahrain (8.10) via Basra (12.10) to Bagdad (14.10). Only 30 flown.

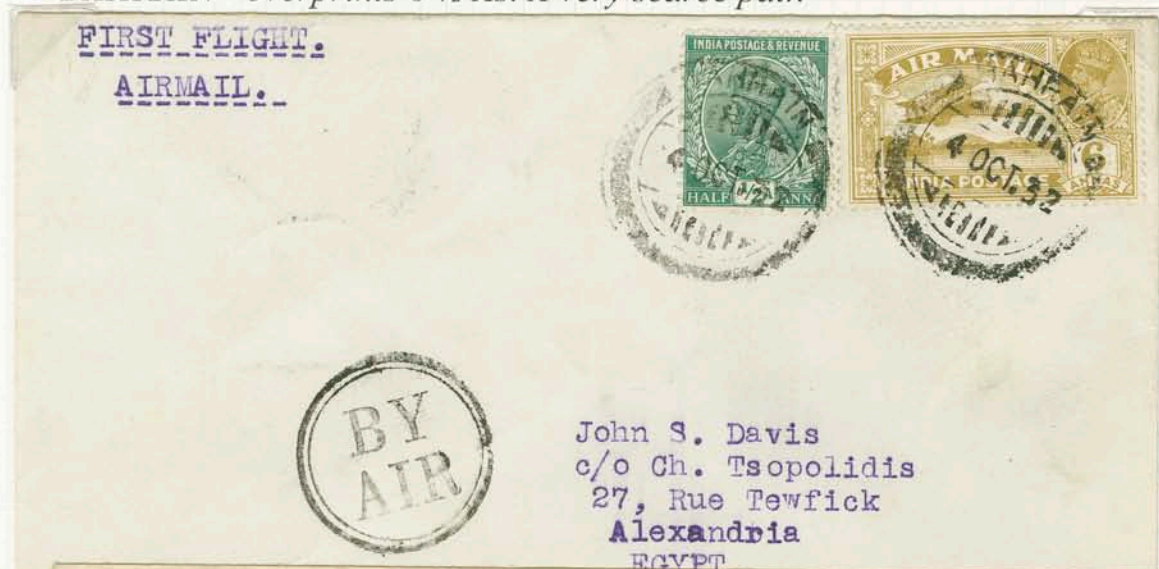




# Bahrain

1932-34, First Flights to Egypt and Siam.

1932, cover from Bahrain (4.10) to Cairo (8.10), franked with India 6 ½ As. and  
1934, illustrated cover from Bahrain (12.12) to Bangkok (17.12) bearing  
"BAHRAIN" overprints 6 ½ As. A very scarce pair.





# Bahrain

1933, Airmail cover from Bahrain (11.10) via Bagdad (12.10) and Cairo to Malta (17.10).

Mixed franking India 3 Ps. (pair) and 2 As. in combination with BAHRAIN 12 As. (14 ½ As. rate).

A very scarce franking and destination.





# Bahrain

1932, India 1A. (2) and 3 As. on underpaid cover to Cairo (dep. 5.10, arr. 8.10), with large "T" cachet (not recorded by Donaldson) and Egypt Postage Due 8 M. The 1931 Inauguration of New Delhi issue was not sold in Bahrain and is thus seldom found used from there.

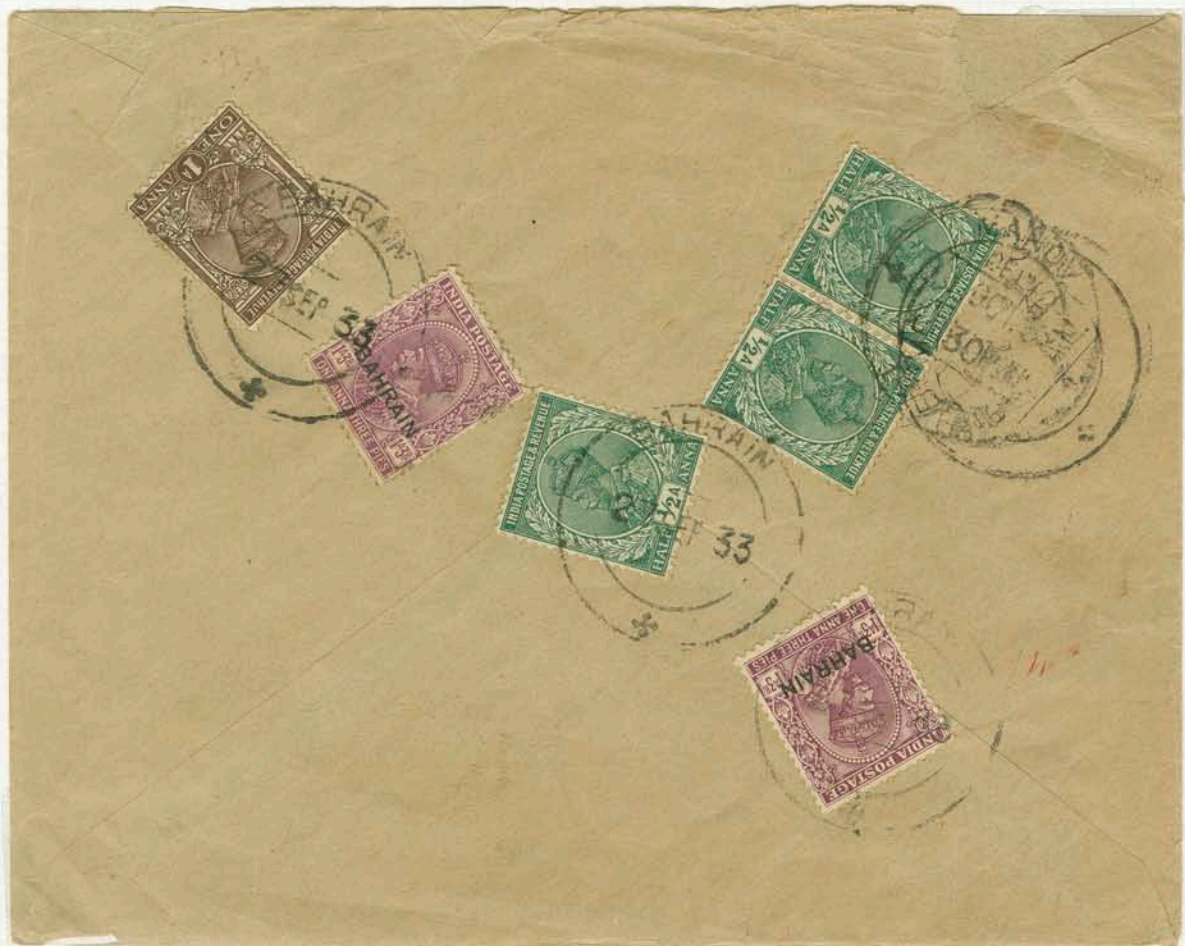
1933 India 4As. mixed with BAHRAIN 1A. 3 Ps. on cover to Rangoon (dep. 27.9, arr. 1.10). Very few flown.





# Bahrain

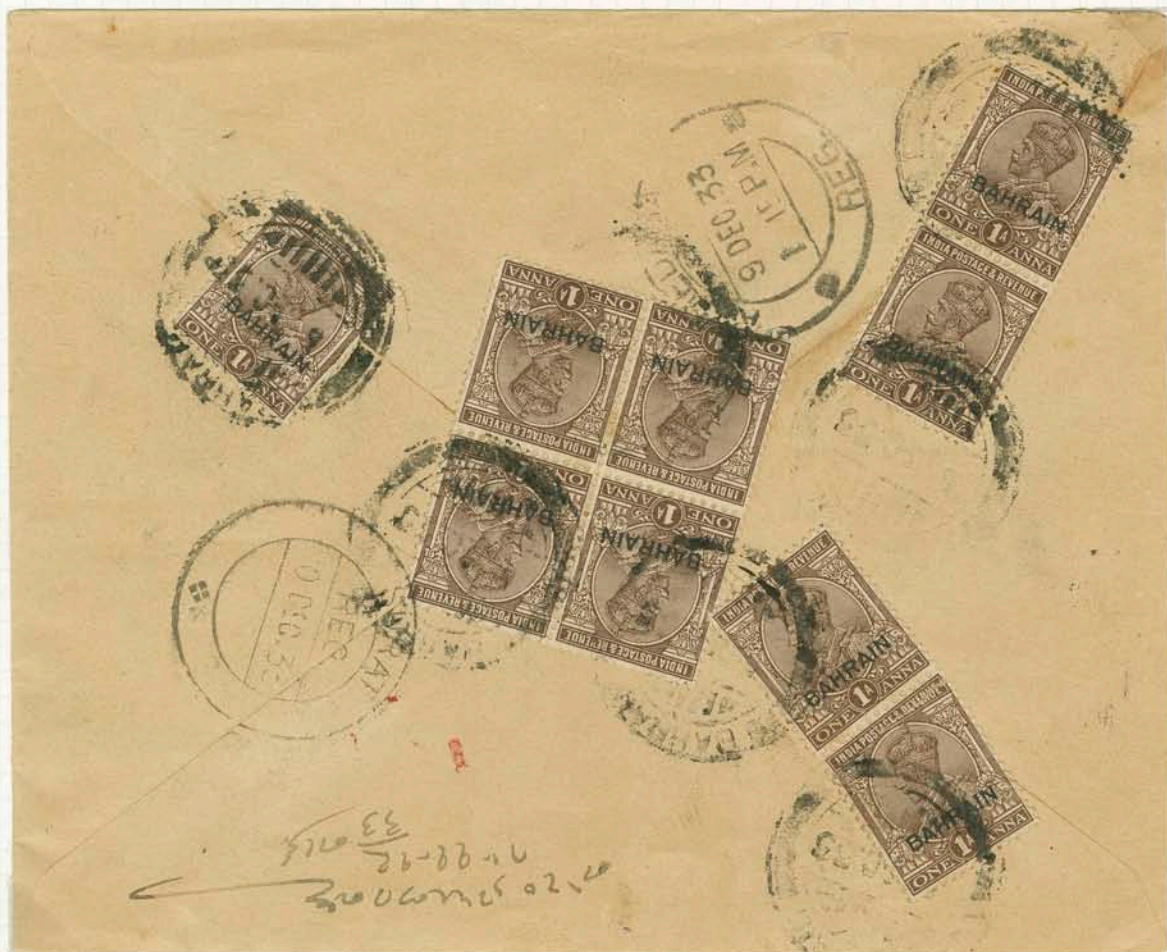
1933, airmail cover from Bahrain (27.9) to Bombay (1.10), mixed franking KG V. India  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  A. (3) and 1 A. with "BAHRAIN" 1 A. 3 Ps. (2) (=5 As. rate).





# Bahrain

1933, 9 As. registered airmail rate to India from Bahrain (4.12) via Ahmedabad (9.12) to Surat (10.12), unusually franked with 9 x G.V 1A. including block of four. A scarce multiple franking.

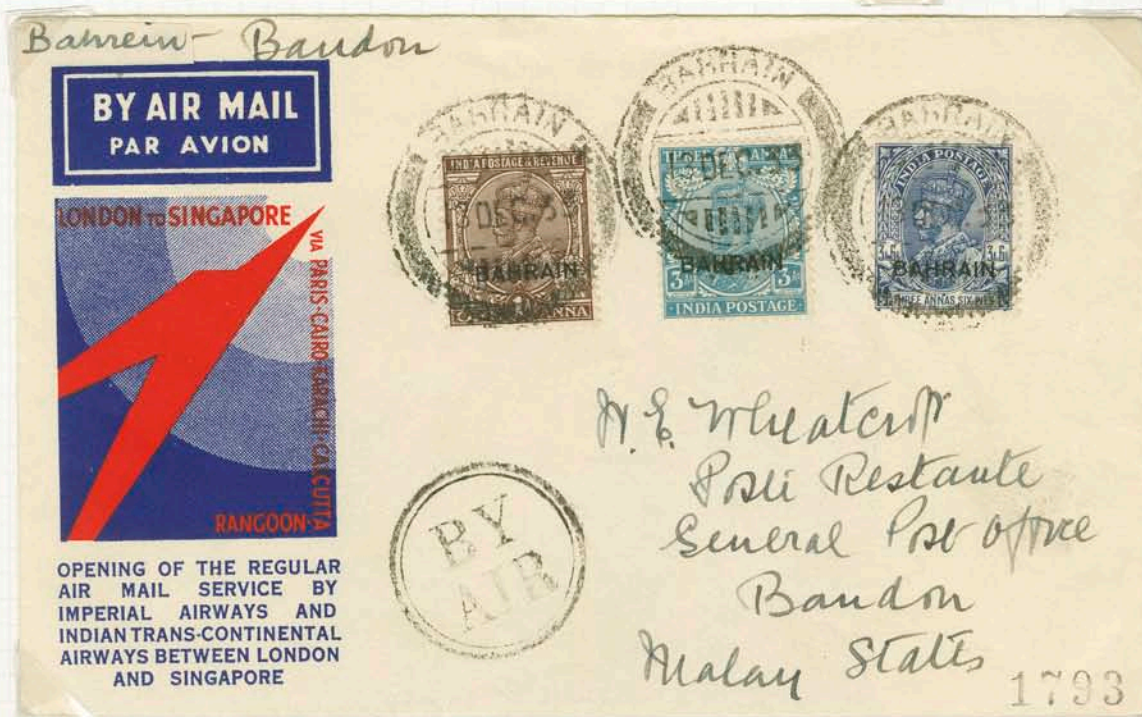




# Bahrain

1933, First Flights to India and Malaya.

Covers from Bahrain (5.7) to Asansol/ India (8.3), franked with India 5 As. 3 Ps., with framed "KARACHI - CALCUTTA / FIRST AIRMAIL" cachet (7.7), and from Bahrain (13.12) to Bandon / Malaya (arr. cds. 21.12 on reverse).





# Bahrain

## 1933-34 ZEPPELIN FLIGHT COVERS



1933, by  
air from  
Bahrain via  
London to  
Berlin, then  
by Zeppelin  
to Brazil

Registered, mixed franking. Four known.

1934, arrived too late for the Zeppelin Flight, carried by airmail with Zeppelin label deleted.



The only  
recorded  
such  
usage  
from  
Bahrain



# Bahrain

1933, registered First Flight cover from Bahrain (12.7) to Calcutta (15.7), which missed this flight but caught the "Second Flight". The cover was to be sent on to Cyprus but this was ignored and the cover held for collection until October when it was sent to the Dead Letter Office in Bombay (25.10) for disposal, but there the instructions were noted and the cover finally sent to Cyprus via Port Taufiq (5.11). A remarkable routing!





# Bahrain

1933, 6 ½ As. registered rate to Iraq.

3 Ps. (2), 1 A. and 2 As. 6 Ps. (2) on registered cover from Bahrain (4.3) to Basra (9.3).





# Bahrain

1934, overland and sea mail.

G.V. mixed 5 As. rate on cover from Bahrain (8.5) via Basra (17.5) to England with red man. "By overland mail Bagdad-Haifa", and G.V 3 1/2 As. sea mail rate to USA.



SEA MAIL

Miss Gertrude Reese  
3053 Weldon Avenue  
Los Angeles, California  
U. S. A.





# Bahrain

1934, 9 ½ As. via Greece to Austria.

Airmail cover franked with 3 Ps. pair, 1 A. and 8 As. from Bahrain via Cairo (13.10) and Athens (16.10) to Vienna (18.10). A very unusual routing!





# Bahrain

1935-37, 9 ½ As. rate to USA.

Pair of covers from Bahrain to California, one with Paris transit cds. on reverse, directional handstamp "PAR AVION/ NEW YORK TO SAN FRANCISCO" deleted by 4 violet bars, the other with "PAR AVION" deleted by black bars and box, to indicate that the airmail fee had been paid to Europe only.





# Bahrain

1934, First Flight covers from Bahrain (12.12) to Australia, with arr. cds. on reverse of Brisbane and Longreach.





# Bahrain

1936, ½ A., 1A. and 8 As. on airmail cover to USA, backstamped in Paris, and with unusual "PAR AVION/ NEW YORK TO SAN FRANCISCO" cachet.





# Bahrain

1934, G.V 2 Rs. single franking on registered cover from Bahrain (26.8) with Cairo transit (31.8) and Mulhausen arrival (3.9) cds on reverse. A very scarce commercial use of this stamp.





# Bahrain

1934, 9 P. + 9 P. double reply postcard, 1 A. envelope and 1 A. + 3 As. registered envelope, all from the GPO Archives with specimen "1934" overprints. Unique set.

1934



1934

POST



CARD

WRITING SPACE

ADDRESS ONLY



REGISTERED LETTER.

1934

THE ADDRESS MUST BE WRITTEN ON THIS SIDE.





# Bahrain

1934, KG V. 3 Ps. (4), ½ A. (2), 1A. (5) and 1A. 3 Ps. (2) on airmail cover from Bahrain (13.12) via Cairo (29.12) and Genoa (31.12) to Geneva.

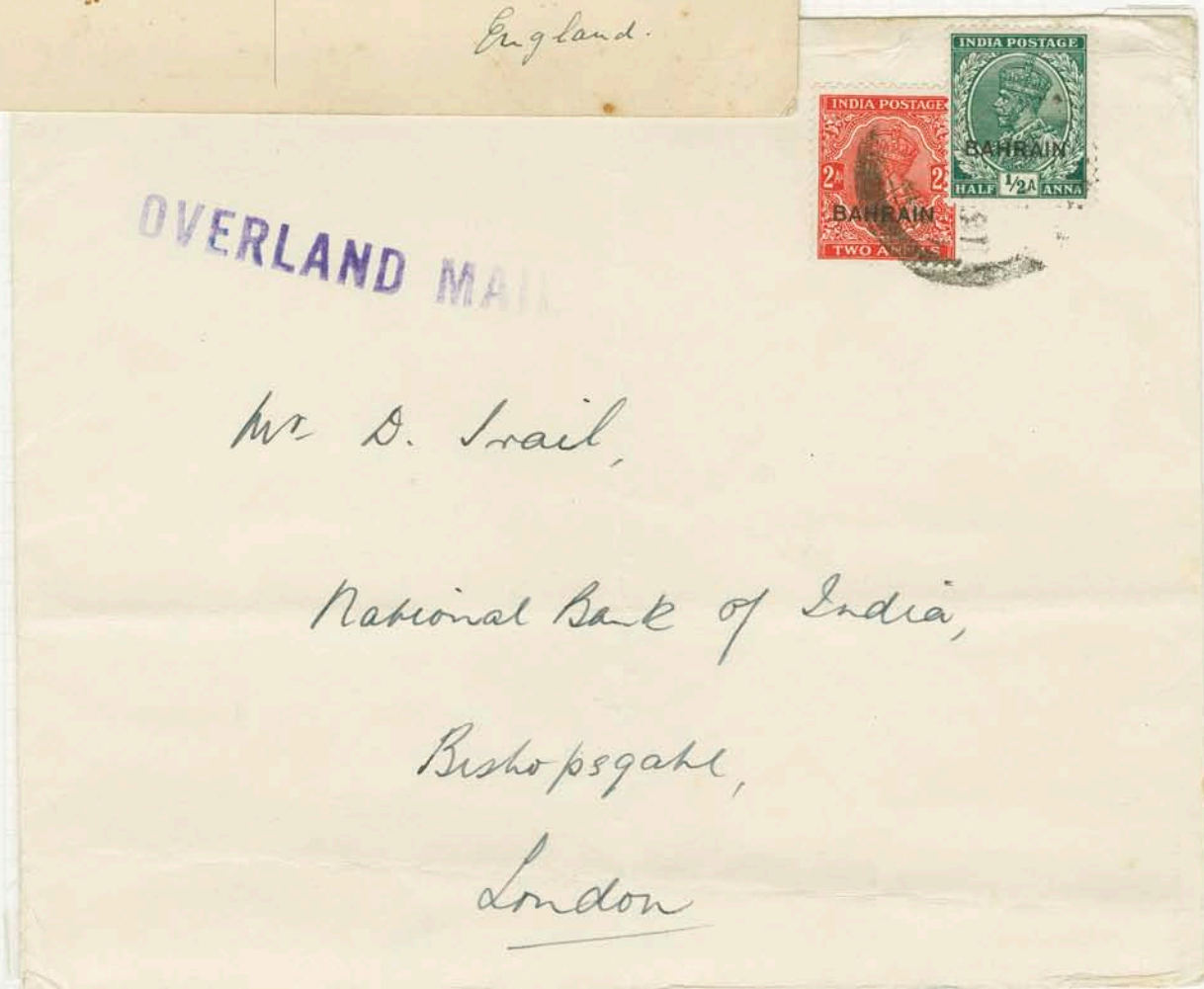
A remarkable franking (9 ½ As. rate).





# Bahrain

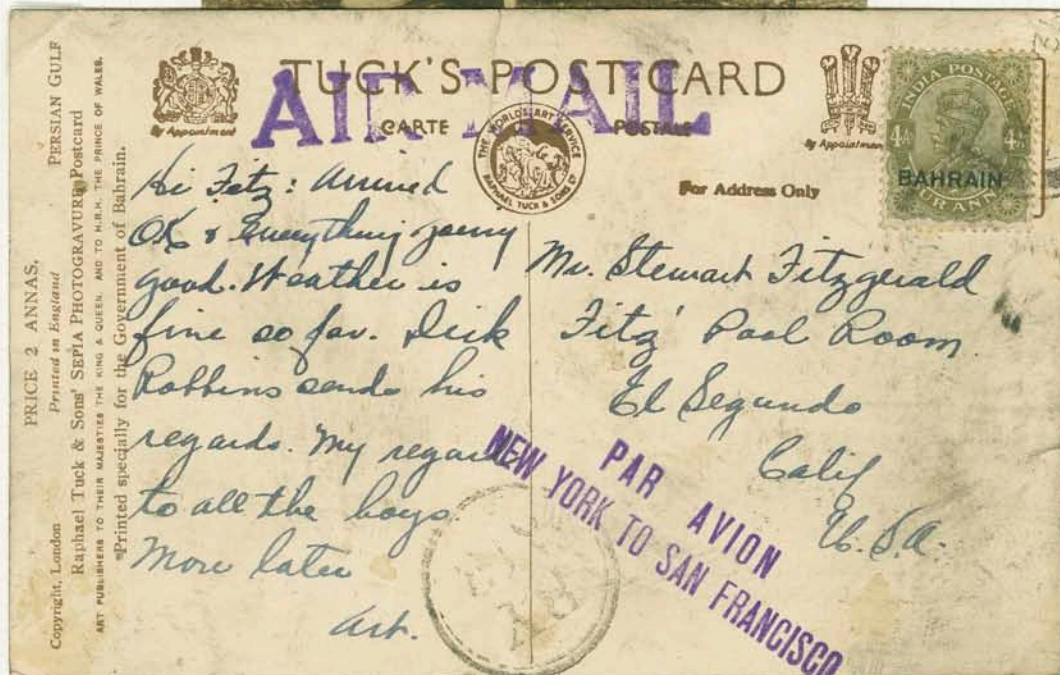
1936, postcard (3 As.) and cover (2 ½ As.) to England with different overland mail handstamps. The Collins Handbook reports only 9 items of overland mail from Bahrain.





# Bahrain

1935, postcard showing the Ruler of Bahrain, franked 4 As. and sent by airmail via Paris to New York and onwards, as indicated by the special cachet. A scarce card.





# Bahrain

1937, picture postcard by airmail via Paris to USA (5 As. rate). A scarce card.



A PEARL DIVER.





# Bahrain

1935, airmail cover (dep. 7.6) to Paris (21.6) with 9A. 3P. postage, damaged and re-sealed by the French P.O. with black "DÉTERIOREE PAR MACHINE TIMBRAGE/LE CONTROLEUR" (= Damaged By The Stamping Machine). A rarely seen P.O. instructional mark, not previously recorded on mail from Bahrain.





## *Bahrain*

*1935, George V 3 Ps. (6) and ½ A. in block of four on "Overland Mail" cover to Germany with "AIR" handstamp deleted. A very scarce 3 ½ As. Rate; only a few overland mail covers recorded from Bahrain.*

OVERLAND MAIL

Mr. ADOLF MEIRICH Jun.,

99, BAYERSTRASSE,

MÜNCHEN 2 SW.,

GERMANY%





# Bahrain

1935 (ca.), G.V 3 ½ As. (3 As. + 2x3 Ps.) on airmail cover to Germany, charged postage due as overweight, with framed German "Nachgebühr" (= to pay) and large Bahrain "T" in circle. This mark has not previously been recorded used during the Indian agency period (T.E. Jones, vol. 1, p. 57).





# Bahrain

1935, incoming sea mail from USA.

1935, sea mail cover (5c. Rate) from Omaha (22.7) via Bagdad (13.8) and Basra (14.8) to Bahrain (23.8). A rare rate.





# Bahrain

1936-40, pair of covers sent overland via Basra, with "OVERLAND" and "OVERLAND MAIL" cachets (5 As. rate). A scarce routing.





# Bahrain

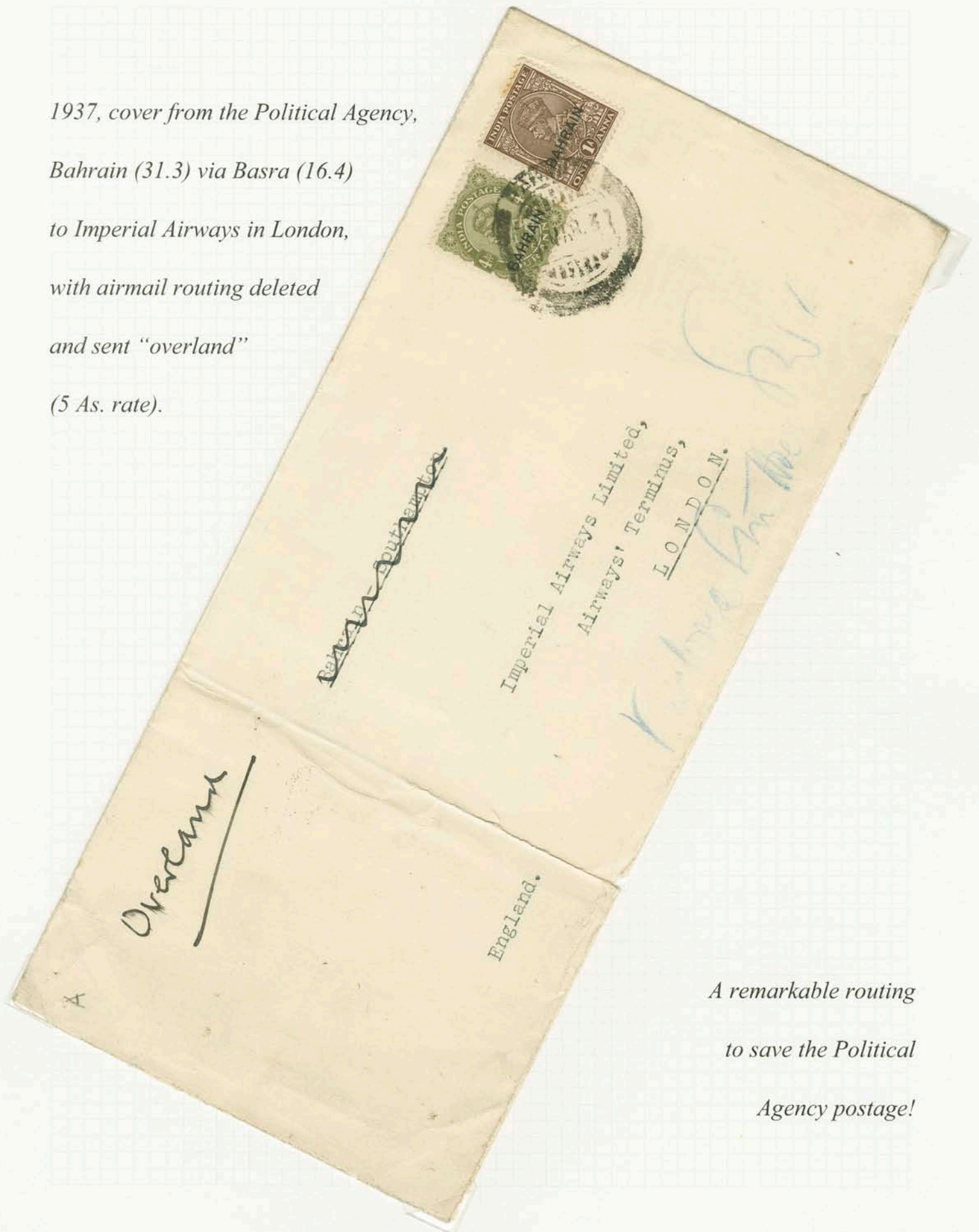
1936, pair of covers from Denmark, franked 30 Øre, to a crew member on a Danish ship, sent to the Bahrain Petroleum Co., but arrived too late and forwarded to Belgium, with Bahrain KGV frankings (9 1/2/ As. and 11 As. rates). The only recorded examples.





# Bahrain

1937, cover from the Political Agency,  
Bahrain (31.3) via Basra (16.4)  
to Imperial Airways in London,  
with airmail routing deleted  
and sent "overland"  
(5 As. rate).



*A remarkable routing  
to save the Political  
Agency postage!*



# Bahrain

1934, picture postcard from Bahrain (18.10) to Germany, franked KGV 3 As. and 4 As., with "AIR MAIL" deleted by black bars as insufficiently paid. A very scarce usage.





# Bahrain

1936, disaster mail

Airmail cover from Bahrain (19.8) to USA (4.9), sent by the "SCIPIO" Flying Boat which crashed at Mirabella Bay, Crete on 22.8. The rescue mail received the cachet "AVION ACCIDENTE". Stamps fallen off in the water. A rare survival.





# Bahrein

1938, First Flight Unsurcharged Airmail Cover from Singapore (2.3) via Calcutta (3.3) to Bahrein, with rare cachet "IMPERIAL AIRWAYS LIMITED/ BAHREIN" on reverse, returned via Singapore (8.4) and London.





# Bahrain

1939, 3 Ps. (12), 1 A. (2) and 1 R. on air mail cover to Denmark with the Bahrain censor's sealing label stapled to the envelope and tied by "BAHRAIN" postmark.



A remarkable cover, proving the use of this label in Bahrain, to a very unusual destination.



# Bahrain

1936, "Scipio" Air Disaster Mail

Registered cover to England with one 2a. adhesive still on envelope. The Imperial Airways Flying Boat 'Scipio' crashed in Mirabella Bay, Crete. Handstamped 'DAMAGED BY ... WATER'. Only one other cover known emanating from Bahrain.



1953, from Beyrouth (22.2) via Bagdad (25.2) to Doha (2.3) with the rarely seen "Air up to Bahrain only" handstamp.





# Bahrain

1937, KG V 3 Ps. (2), 9Ps. (2) and 1 A. (block of 4) on business cover from Bahrain (8.10) via Basra (14.10) and Bagdad (15.10), and then "By over land Mail" to Germany.

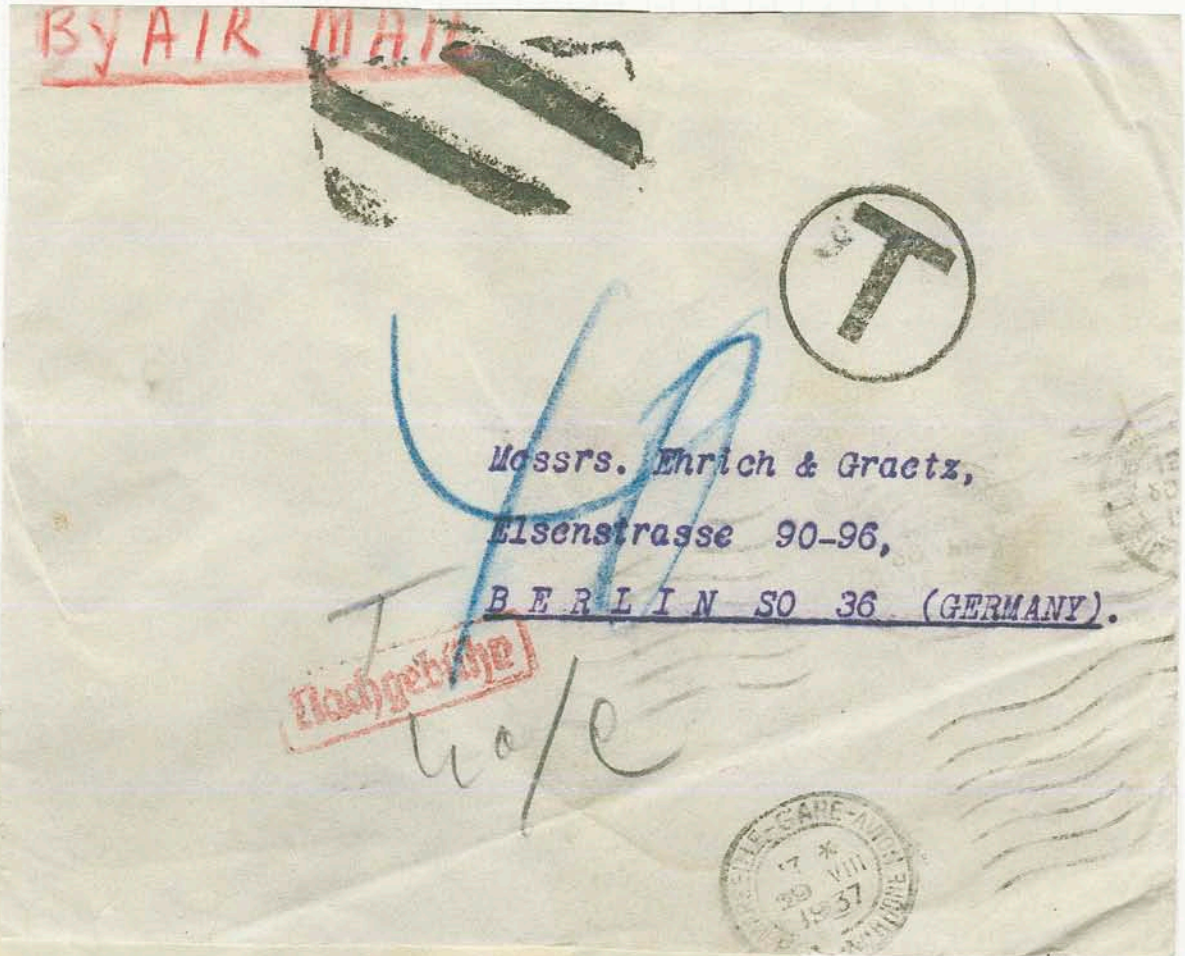
A very scarce usage and 6 As. rate.





# Bahrain

1937, KG V. 3 Ps. (2), 1 A. (5) and 2 As. (2) on cover to Germany. "By Air Mail" deleted by bars, as underpaid, with rare "T" and German tax markings and man. "40c." Transit cds. Marseille (29.8) on front.





# Bahrain

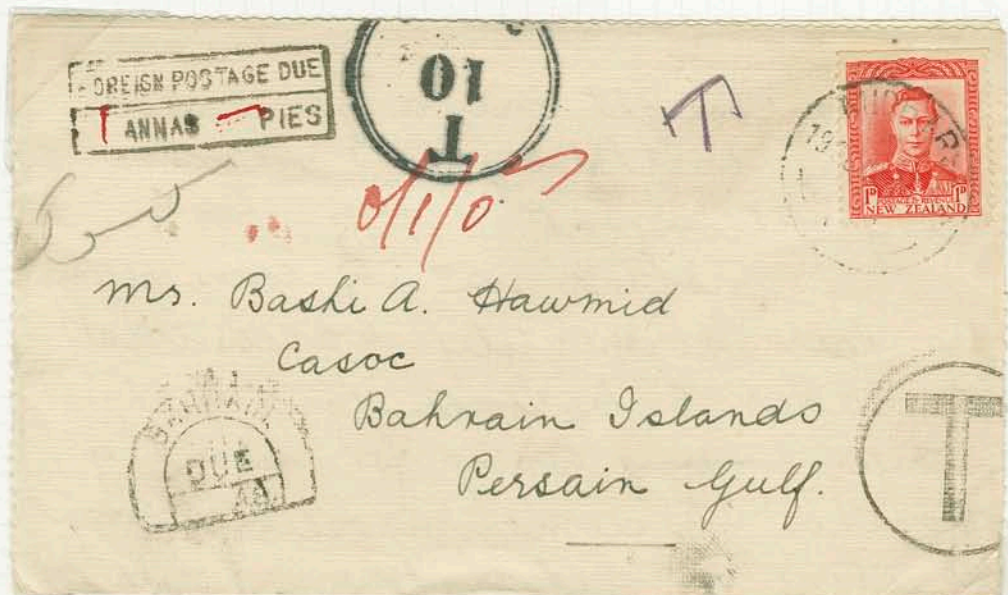
1938, pair of underpaid covers to Bahrain from New Zealand ("TO PAY/ 1d." hs deleted and replaced by "T/ 20/ CENTIMES") and England with different "T" hs. The rare "BAHRAIN/ DUE/ AS." marks unusually have "1" and "2" respectively inserted in red ink. "BAHRAIN AIR" arr. cds. on reverse.





# Bahrain

1939, pair of underpaid covers from New Zealand to Bahrain, franked 1d., with tax marks of New Zealand ("T/10/ CENTIMES"), India (two different types) and Bahrain (Donaldson: "Rarely used"). Transit and arrival cds. on reverse.





# Bahrain

1938, incoming mail from Ceylon and Tanganyika.

"First airmail without surcharge", pair of covers from Colombo (23.2) to Bahrain (2.3) and Daressalam (7.3) to Bahrain (13.3).





# Bahrain

1939, forwarded mail from Saudi Arabia.

Cover from "A. Khan CARE ARAMCO" (Arabian-American oil company) in Saudi Arabia, sent via Bahrain, bearing the 2 Rs. 11 ½ As. airmail rate to USA. A scarce usage.





# Bahrain

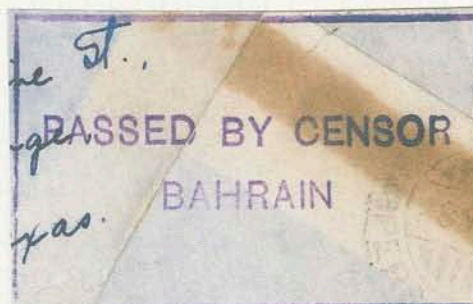
1939, 6 As. rate to Sweden, unusually made up of G.V 2 As. and 3 As. 6 Ps. plus G.VI ½ A., transit cds of Basra (9.11) and Bagdad (10.11). Marked "By Overland, Bagdad/Haifa Route". A rare destination and routing.





# Bahrain

1939, incoming cover from Orange/ Texas (6.11) to Bahrain, marked "Trans-Atlantic Airmail to Europe/ Air mail to Bahrain. " Boxed "PASSED BY CENSOR/ BAHRAIN" on reverse. A scarce combination.





# Bahrain

1939-40, incoming airmail from USA (45c. rates).

Cover from S. Francisco (1.10) via Bagdad (15.10) and Basra (16.10) to Bahrain (26.10) with framed "PASSED BY CENSOR/ BAHRAIN" on the reverse and 1940, cover from Freeport (17.6) to Bahrain (7.8), delayed by the war, opened and re-sealed in the UK, with framed black Iraqi "NOT OPENED BY / CENSOR".

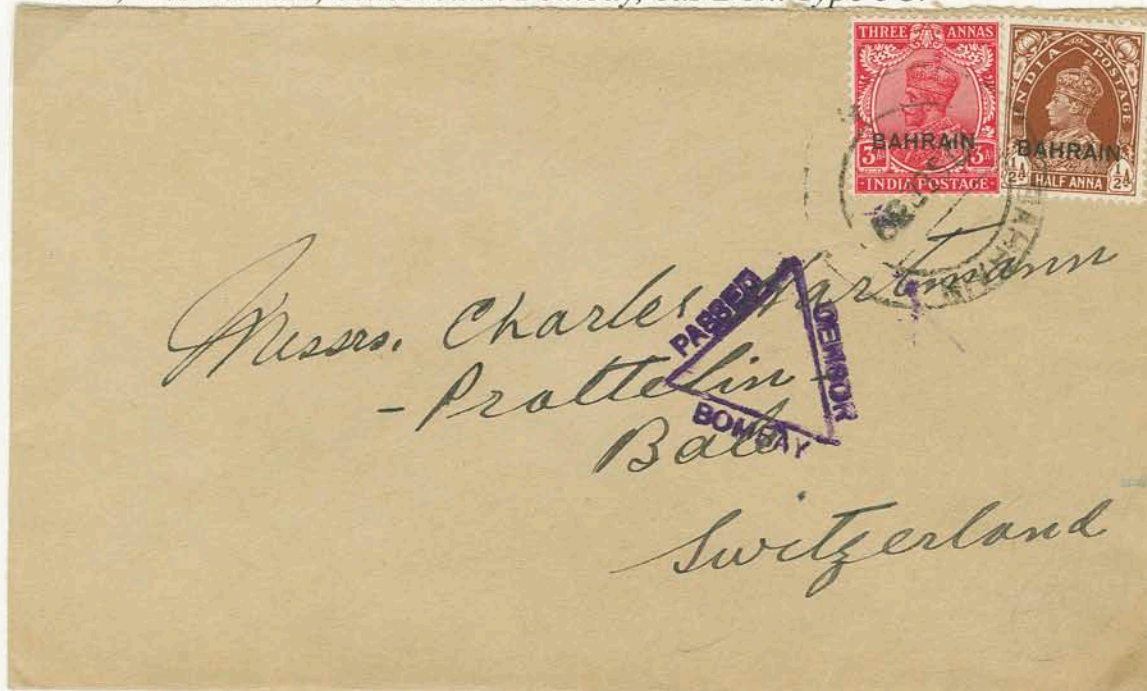




# Bahrain

1939-41, censored mail to Switzerland.

1939, 3 ½ As. rate, censored in Bombay, cds Don. Type 5C.



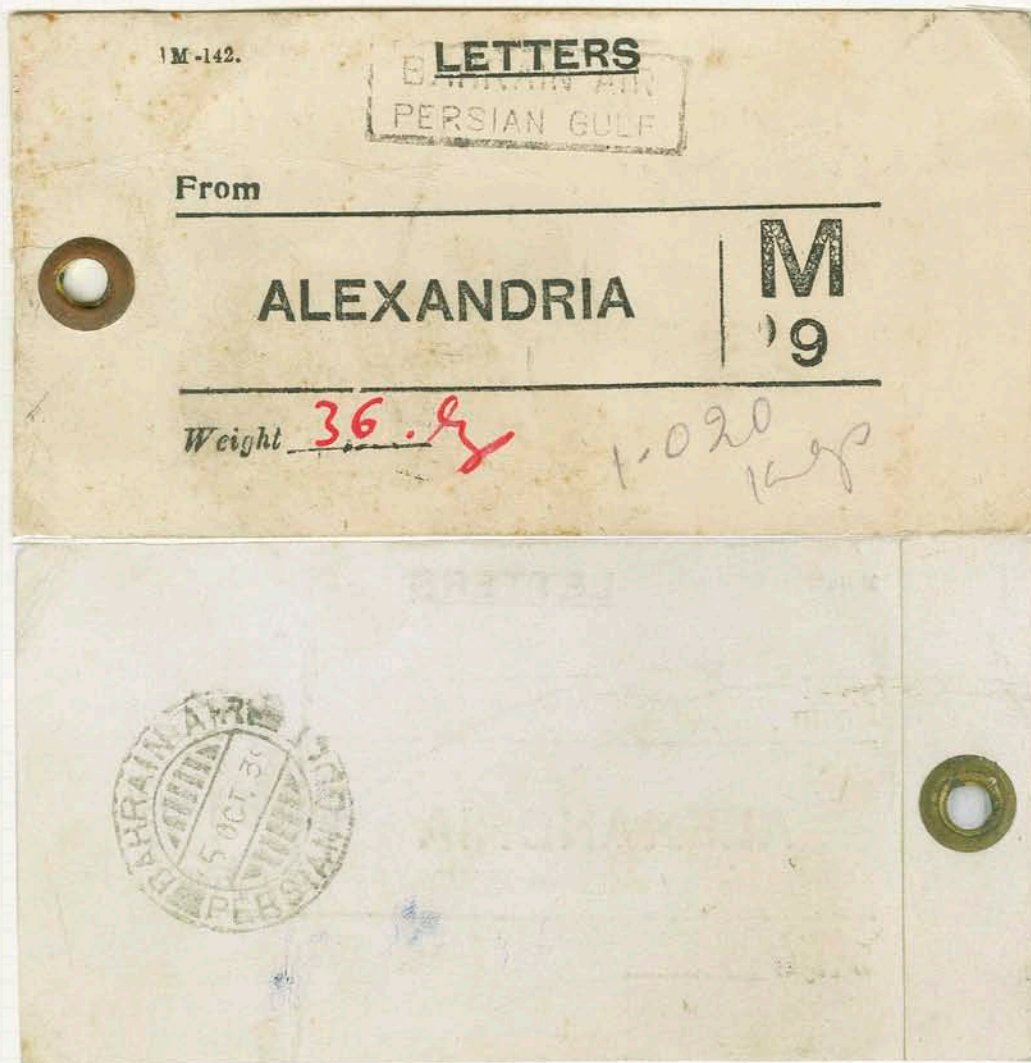
1941, 4 ½ As. rate on bank letter, "NOT OPENED BY CENSOR", cds. Type 6.



# Bahrain

1939, "BAHRAIN AIR/ PERSIAN GULF"

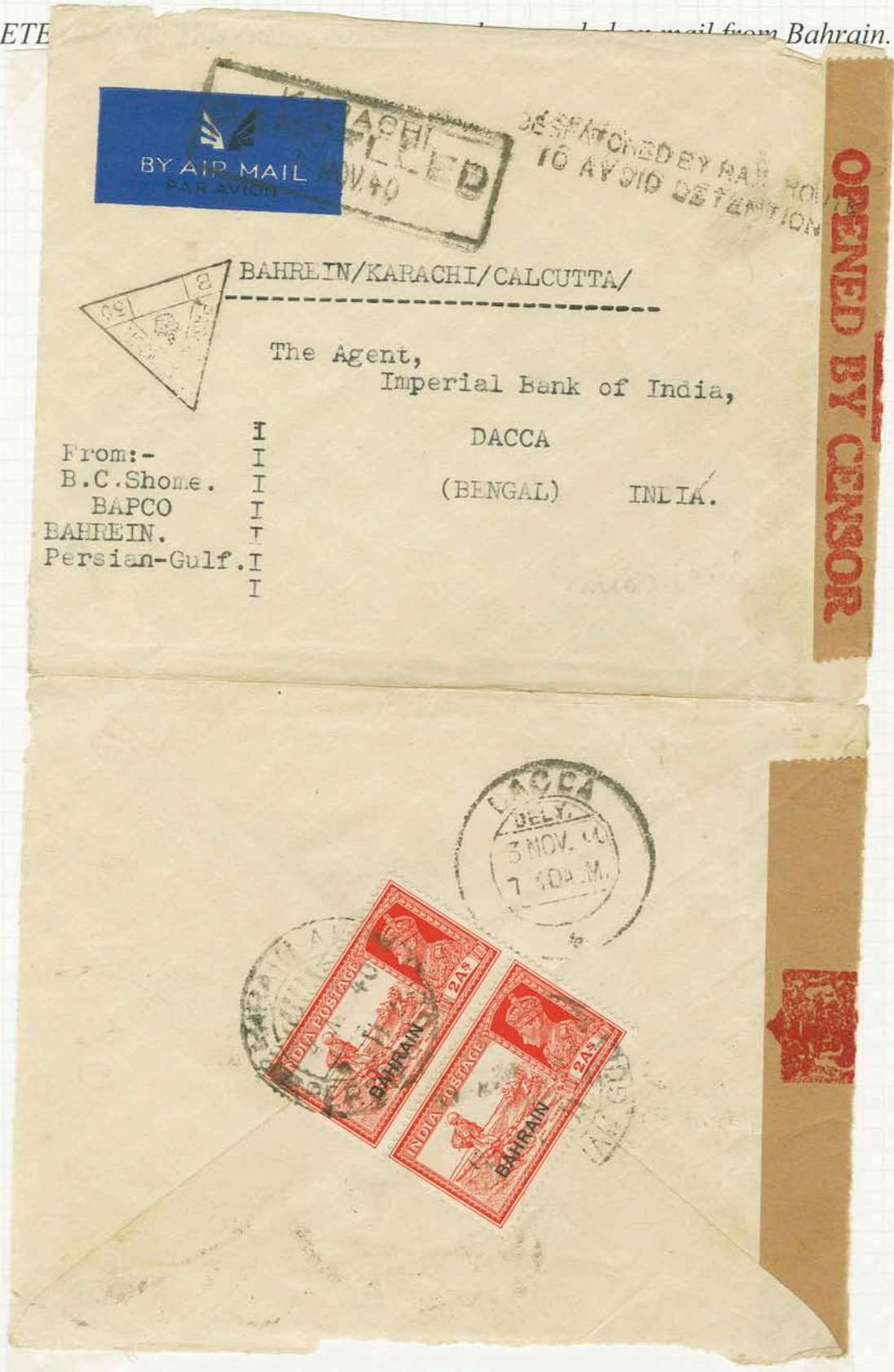
Unrecorded boxed handstamp on mail bag label with "BAHRAIN AIR" cds. (5.10) on reverse, sent by Imperial Airways Flight SW 175 to Alexandria (arr. 6.10).





# Bahrain

1940, Airmail envelope from Bahrain (4.11 ?!) via Karachi (2.11) to Dacca (4.11),  
franked 4 As., censored, re-sealed and with "DESPATCHED BY RAIL ROUTE/ TO  
AVOID DETE





# Bahrain

1937, airmail cover from Bahrain (1.12) (Don. Type 6) to USA, sent by Imperial Airways S23 Empire Flying Boat G-ADUZ 'Cygnus', which crashed at Brindisi (5.12). Postage stamps washed off, resealed with French post office tape and purple cachet. "SERVICE POSTAL FRANCAIS /Correspondence retardée/ par Accident d'Avion./ Priez de ne pas taxer" applied on the front. Very rare thus.

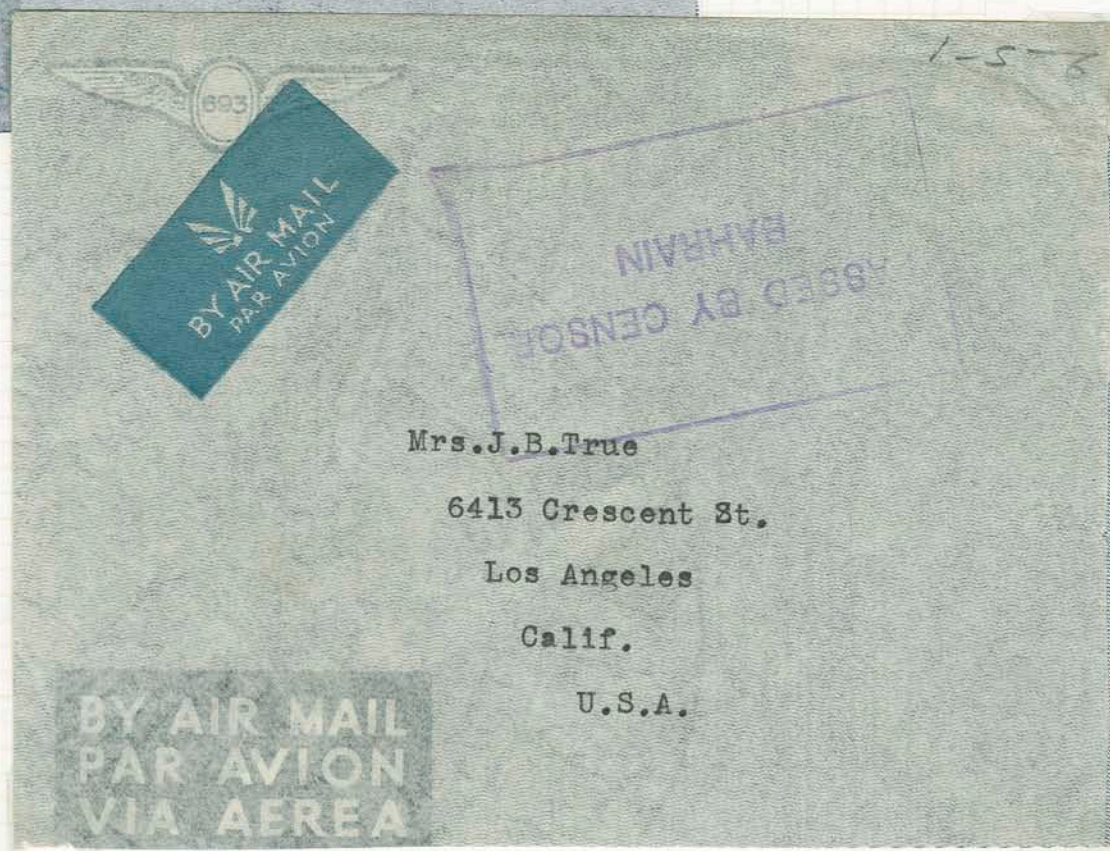
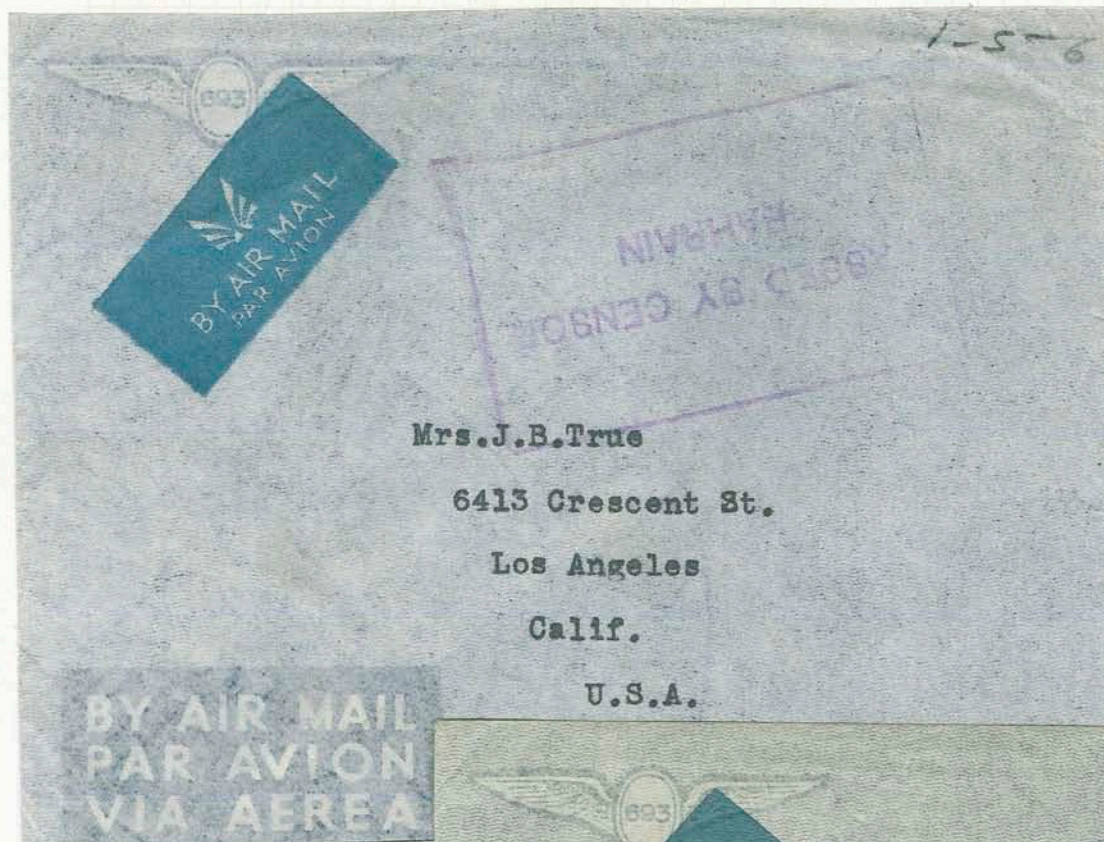




# Bahrain

1940, airmail cover (dep. 17.6) to USA with boxed "PASSED BY CENSOR/ BAHRAIN",  
franked KG V. 3 Ps. (pair), 1 A., 4 As. (block of 4) and KG VI 1A. (2).

A very usual combination (21 ½ As. rate).





# Bahrain

1940, 1R. 5 ½ As. rate USA.

GVI 1R., 2 As. and 3 As. 6 Ps. on pair of covers from Bahrain with Don. Type 7 "BAHRAIN AIR" cds., paying the 3 ½ As. letter and 18 As. airmail to England rate. In London the covers were stamped with two red bars to indicate that they would not be sent on by air.





# Bahrain

1940, 1 R. 5 ½ As. (21 ½ As.) rate to USA.

Pair of airmail covers with different 21 ½ As. frankings (one mixed G.V and G.VI) paying the 3 ½ As. letter and 18 As. airmail fee to London, were the BY/VIA AIRMAIL inscriptions were deleted by red bars, to indicate that the covers would from now on be sent by sea.

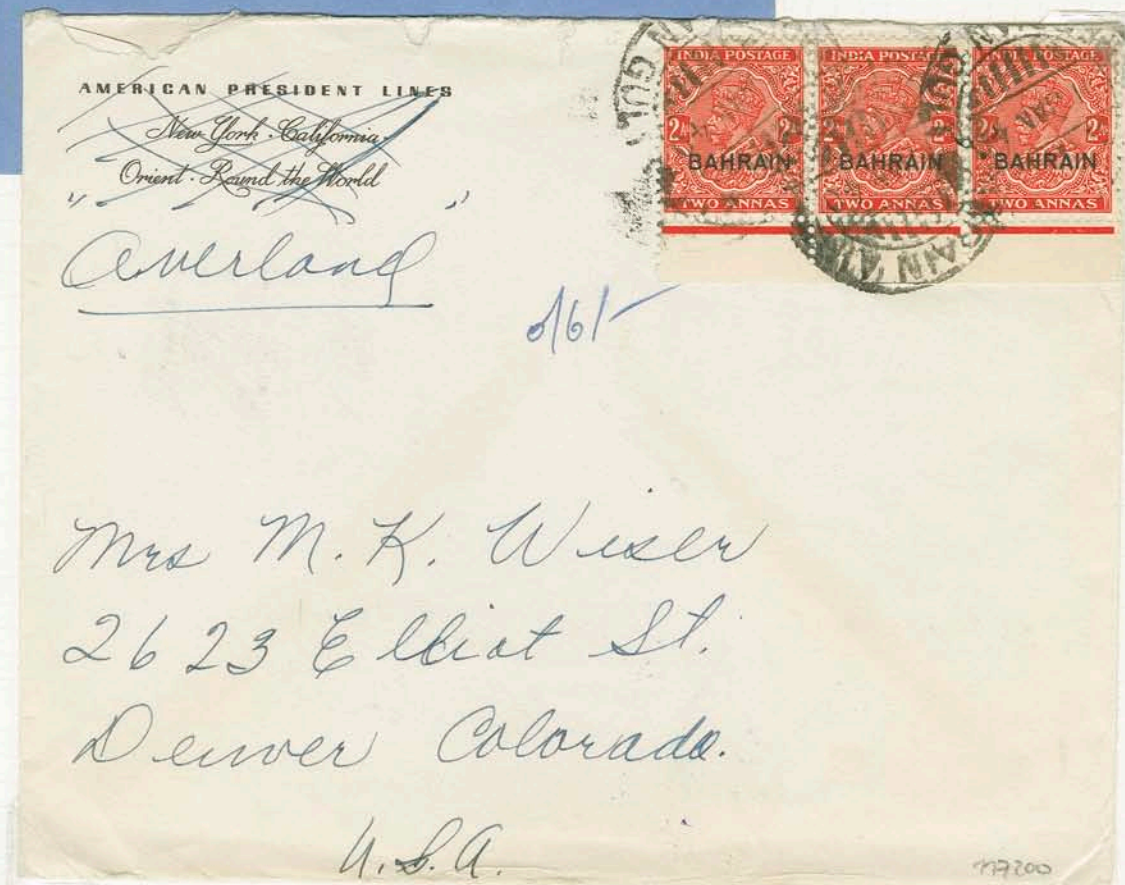




# Bahrain

1940, overland mail.

5 As. Rate (G.V. 2 As. pair + G. VI 1 A.) to England with Basra transit cds (2.2) on reverse and 6 As. rate (G.V. strip 2 As.) to USA from Bahrain (11.1) via Basra (22.1) with framed "PASSED BY CENSOR/ BAHRAIN" on reverse.



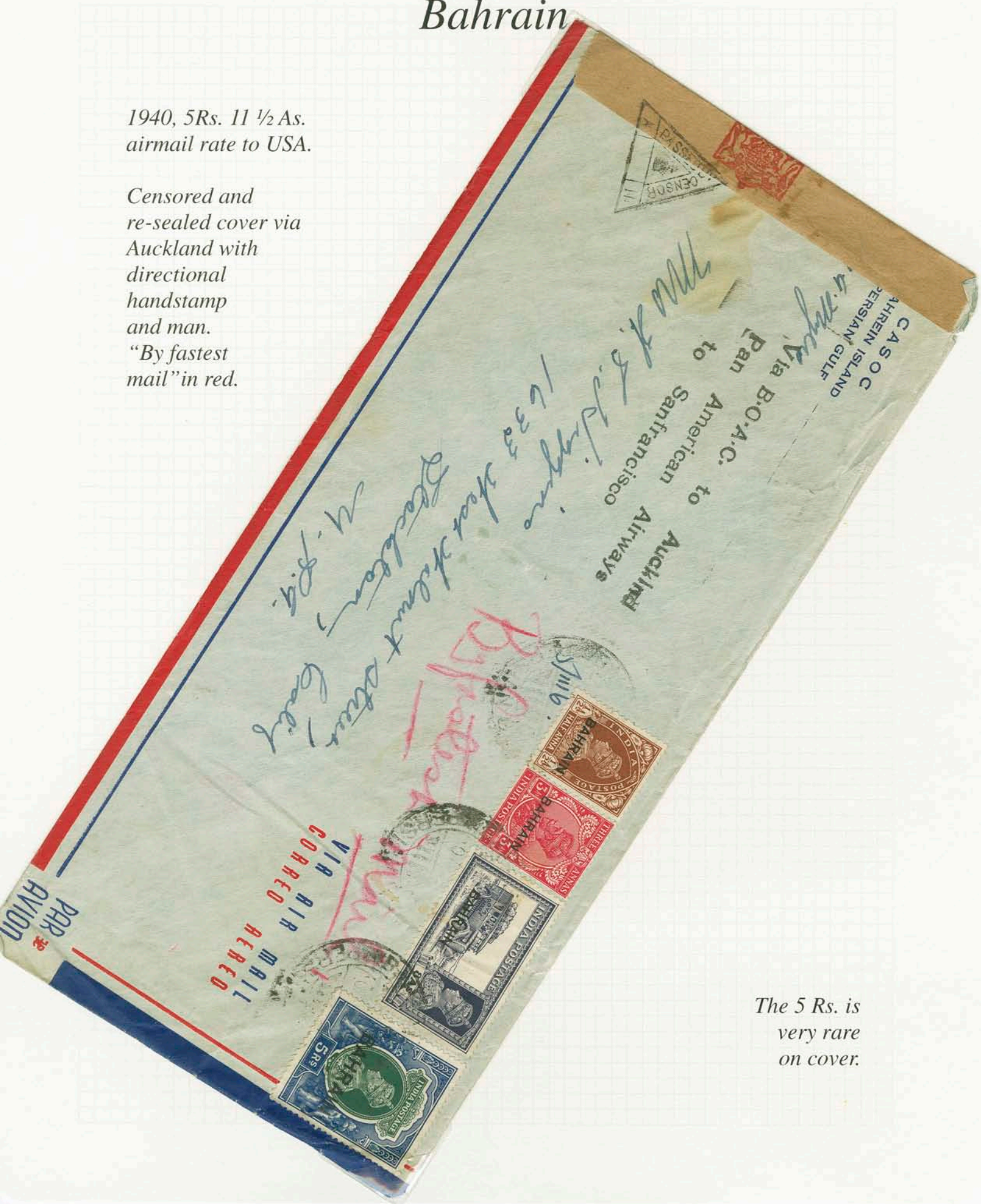


## Bahrain

1940, 5Rs. 11 1/2 As.  
airmail rate to USA.

*Censored and  
re-sealed cover via  
Auckland with  
directional  
handstamp  
and man.  
"By fastest  
mail" in red.*

*The 5 Rs. is  
very rare  
on cover.*

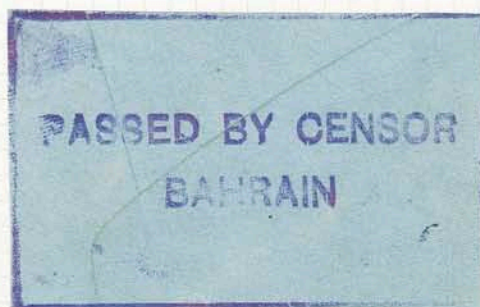




# Bahrain

1940, 14 As. rate to Palestine.

G.VI 6+8 As. cancelled Don. T.8, boxed "PASSED BY CENSOR/ BAHRAIN" on reverse. A very scarce destination.



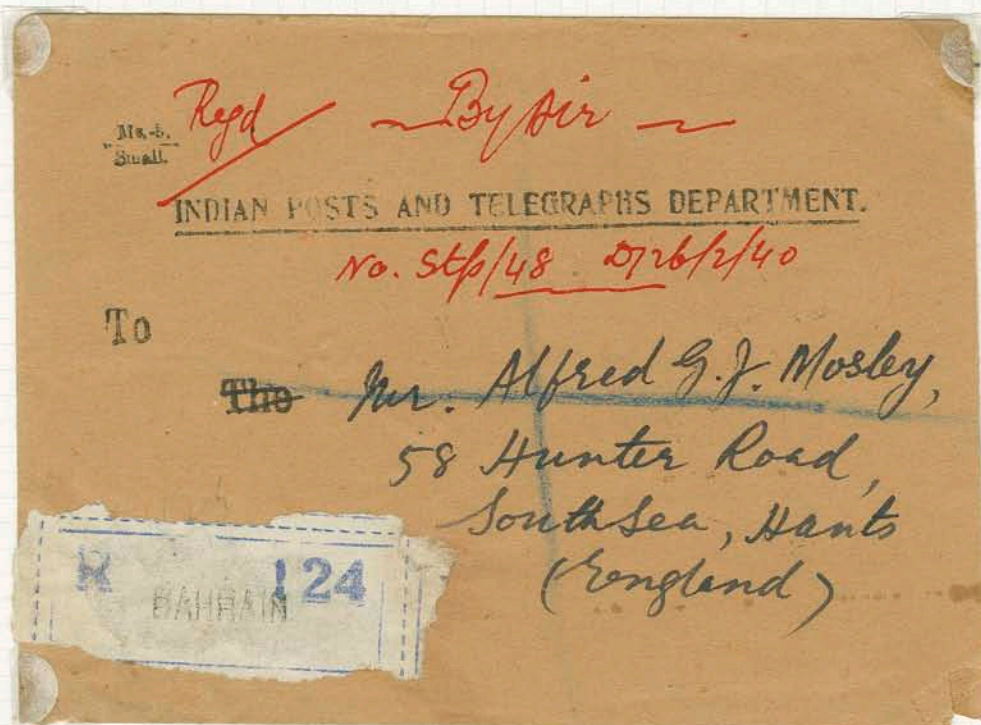


# Bahrain

1940, registered official mail.

Indian Posts and Telegraphs Department envelope, registered to England with red man. "BY AIR", back-stamped "BAHRAIN / REG. / 26 FEB. 40" (Don. Type 9).

A rare survival.

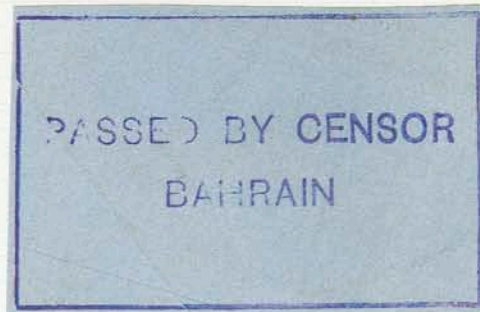
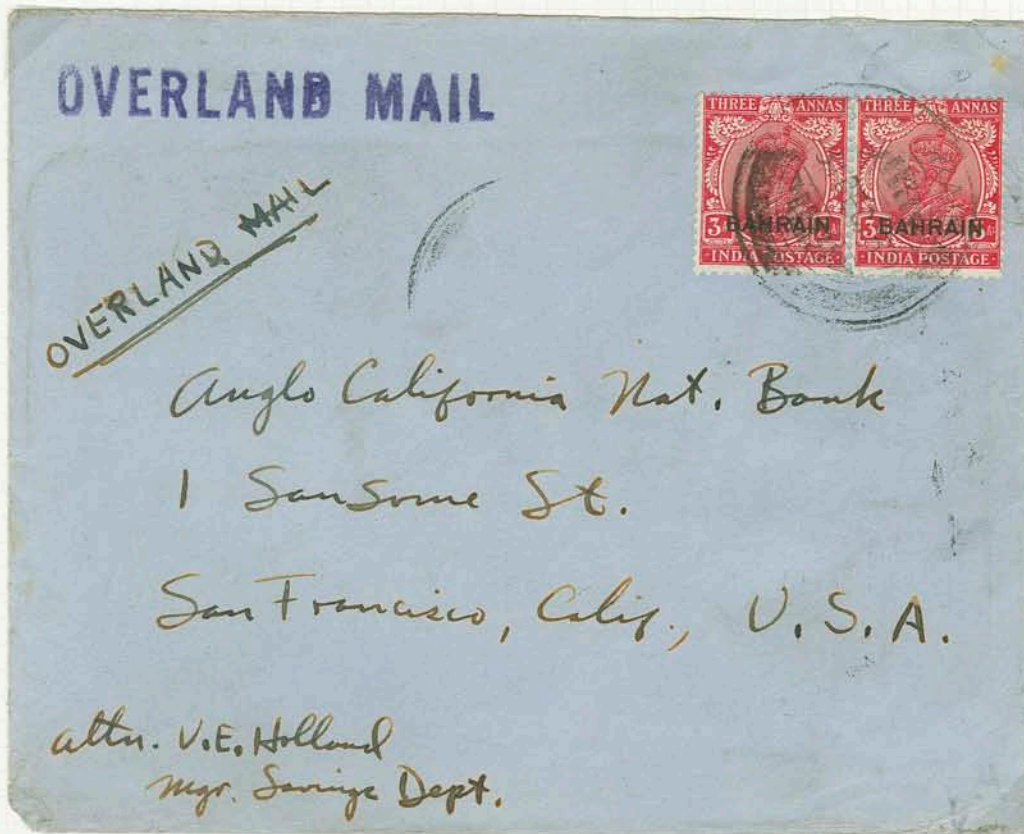




# Bahrain

1940, "OVERLAND MAIL" cover from Bahrain (31.12) to USA (6 As. rate), with boxed "PASSED BY CENSOR/ BAHRAIN" and Basra transit cds. (12.1) on reverse.

Overland mail to USA is rare.





# Bahrain

1940, 1 A. (21) and 1 ½ As. on censored cover to Italy.



*A spectacular, probably unique franking.*



# Bahrain

1940-41, multiple frankings.

1940, 3 As. 6 Ps. (4 = 14 As.) on re-sealed cover to England and 1941, 6 x 8 As. (48 As. rate) on airmail cover to USA, with 3 different censor's re-sealing tapes.





# Bahrain

1940, 14 As. Airmail to Egypt, cancelled "BAHRAIN AIR".

G.V 2 As. (7) with cds Donaldson T.7, scarce multiple franking censored in Egypt only, and G.VI 2 + 4 + 8 As., also censored in Bahrain, cancelled T.8.





# Bahrain

1940 – 42, 2 ½As. rate multiple frankings to India (10 x 3Ps. and 5 x ½A.)



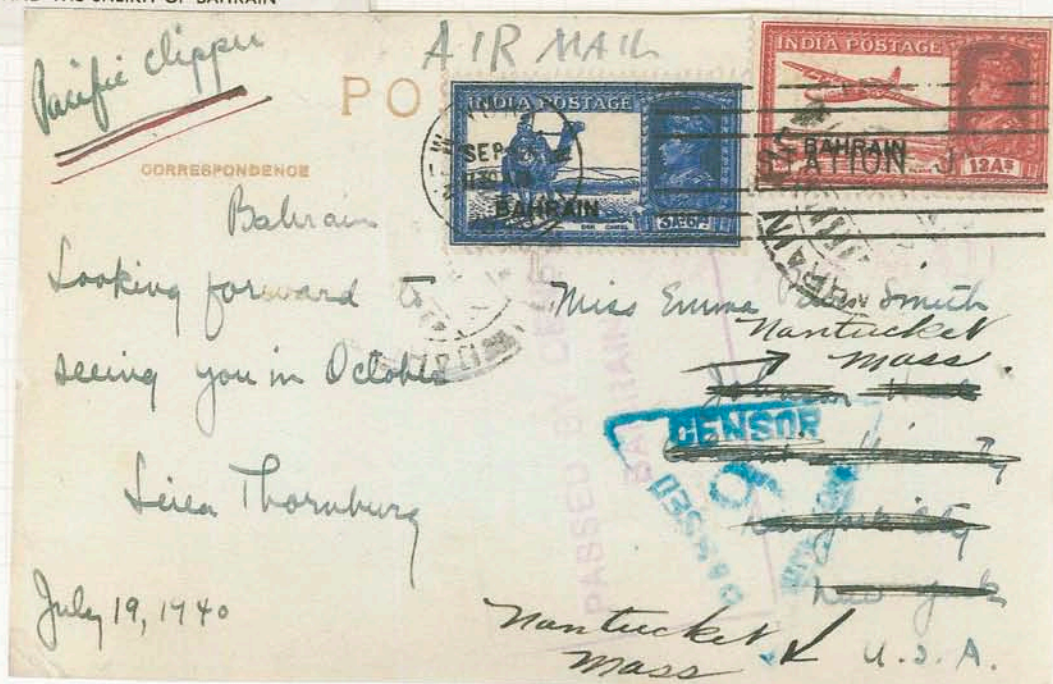


# Bahrain

1940, photo postcard of the Rulers of Bahrain and Saudi Arabia, franked 3 As. 6Ps. and 12 As. (15½ rate), sent from Bahrain by Pacific Clipper to New York and re-directed, censored in Bahrain and Hong Kong. A remarkable usage.



THE KING OF ARABIA AND THE SHEIKH OF BAHRAIN





# Bahrain

1940-41, George VI 25 Rs. in central gutter block of four from the junction of four panes, unmounted mint. A rare survival.





## *Bahrain*

1941, airmail cover from Bahrain (20.6) to Switzerland with 1R. 5 ½ As. postage, endorsed "VIA BAGHDAD/ISTANBUL" but sent via Cairo (17.7) and Lisbon (13.8) ! Blue Egyptian censorship label and violet "POSTAL CENSOR" handstamp, plus (very rare) brown censor's label. A most unusual routing.





# Bahrain

1941, 15 As. airmail rate to Iraq.

Cover from Bahrain (10.1), cancelled "BAHRAIN AIR" (Don. Type 7), via Basra (14.1) to Magil (15.1, arrival cds Proud Type D3 but 12 years later than recorded!). Exceptionally franked with 15x1A. including block of 14. Framed "PASSED BY CENSOR/BAHRAIN".





# Bahrain

1941, 5 Rs. 14 ½ As. airmail rate on "CASOC" cover to USA.

Franked by George VI ½ A., 2 As., 4 As. plus 5x the scarce 8 As. (including a pair) and 1 R. strip of 3. Tied by "BAHRAIN AIR/ PERSIAN GULF" datestamps (6.4). A spectacular and rare franking.





# Bahrain

1940-41, routings to California.

1940, G.VI 3 As. 6 Ps., 8 As. and 2 Rs. (2 Rs. 11 ½ As. rate) on cover with framed BAHRAIN censor on reverse, sent via Hong Kong with triangular censor in green on the front, and 1941, GVI 3 Rs. 1 A. rate on cover from Bahrain (19.2) to Berkeley (25.3 arr. cds. on reverse) with directional handstamp "Via boat to Auckland/ and American Airways/ to San Francisco".





# Bahrain

1941, 2 Rs. 15 ½ As.  
airmail rate to USA.  
Very unusual  
Handstamp  
"Via Air Mail  
INDIA - AUCKLAND  
& USA".  
Censored and  
Re-sealed.

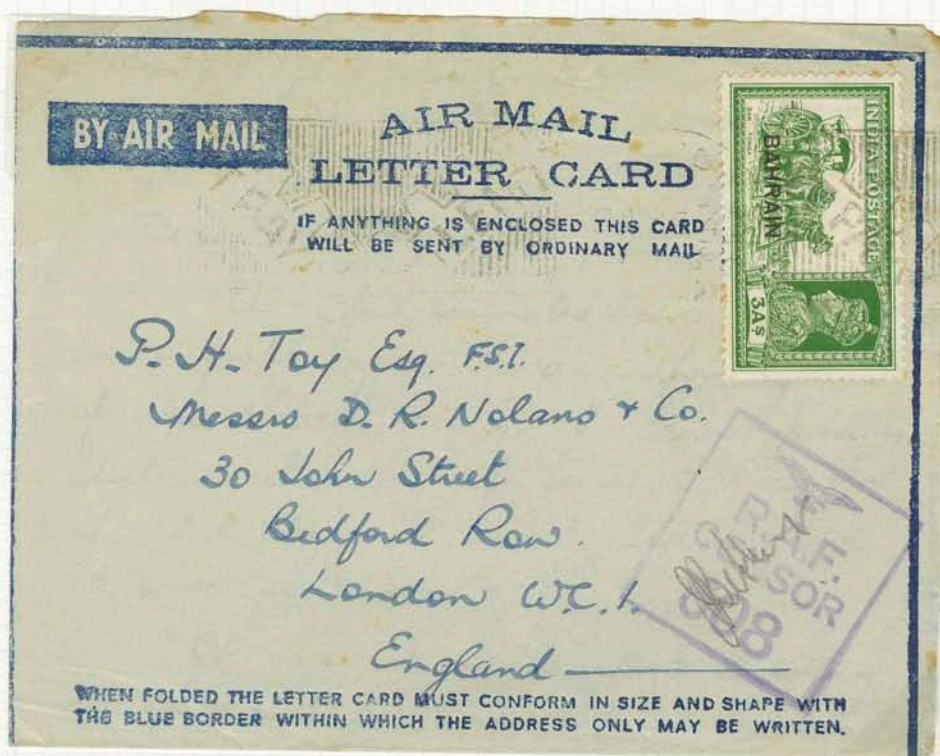


A scarce  
routing.



# Bahrain

1943 (20.9), KG VI 3 As. on Air Mail Letter Card from a member of Paiforce to London, cancelled on arrival, with optimistic contents that the war will soon be over. "RAF CENSOR 608" cachet. A scarce usage.





# Bahrain

1941, ½ A. (2) and 3 As. 6 Ps. on airmail cover via India to USA. On the reverse is a violet censor's handstamp "Please request sender in future/to write full name and address/on the envelope together with/the language used."



*A very rare use of this handstamp from Bahrain.*



# Bahrain

1941 (26.9), Northern Rhodesia-Bahrain. Airmail cover franked 3d. blue and 1s. yellow-brown and black tied by BALOVALE/ NORTHERN RHODESIA datestamp in black. Baghdad transit and Basra cds (20.10) on reverse, Iraqi circular Censor in violet and airmail label deleted. Struck with framed PASSED BY CENSOR/ BAHRAIN in violet (Donaldson page 65) on arrival. A rare cover, the first recorded from Northern Rhodesia.





# Bahrain

1941, George VI 1 A. (block of 8 and pair) with 1 R. in block of four on registered censored cover to Iraq, with Kirkuk arrival mark on the front.



*The only  
recorded  
1 R. block  
on cover.*



# Bahrain

1941, 15 As. airmail rate to New Zealand.

2 As. (3) and 3 As. (3), cancelled "BAHRAIN/ AIR" (Donaldson Type 7), on bank cover. A very rare destination from this period.





# Bahrain

1941, overland mail cover from Bahrain to London, franked 2 ½ As. but underpaid, with "T" in circle applied in Bombay where the cover was censored. 1 ½ d. due charged on arrival. Red manuscript "DELEND A EST GERMANIA" (= Germany must be destroyed) - the slogan adapted from the one used by the Roman poet Cicero, during the wars against Carthage.





# Bahrain

1940, underpaid airmail cover from Bahrain (15.12) to Karachi (20.12), franked 2 As., taxed 6 As., with the "BAHRAIN/ DUE/ AS" hs on the front which "was rarely used" (Donaldson) and octagonal "KARACHI/ UNPAID" on reverse. Resealed by Censor.





# Bahrain

1945,

KGV 5 Rs.

marginal pair

on airmail

cover from

Bahrain (17.10)

to USA.



The highest

recorded

franking,

probably

containing

photographs.

Red "O.A.T."

(onward Air Transport).

A very rare cover and late

usage of KG V stamps.



# Bahrain

1941-42, censored mail to Iraq.

1941, 8 As. (4 As. marginal pair) overland rate to Bagdad with Arabic Iraqi censor's cachet on front, Bahrain Censor on reverse, and 1942, airmail cover (14 As. rate) to Basra with Bahrain and bilingual Basra censors, both on front.



Rodolphine Bakker  
American Mission  
Bahrain Isles, Persian Gulf

Gordon Mattison

American Council

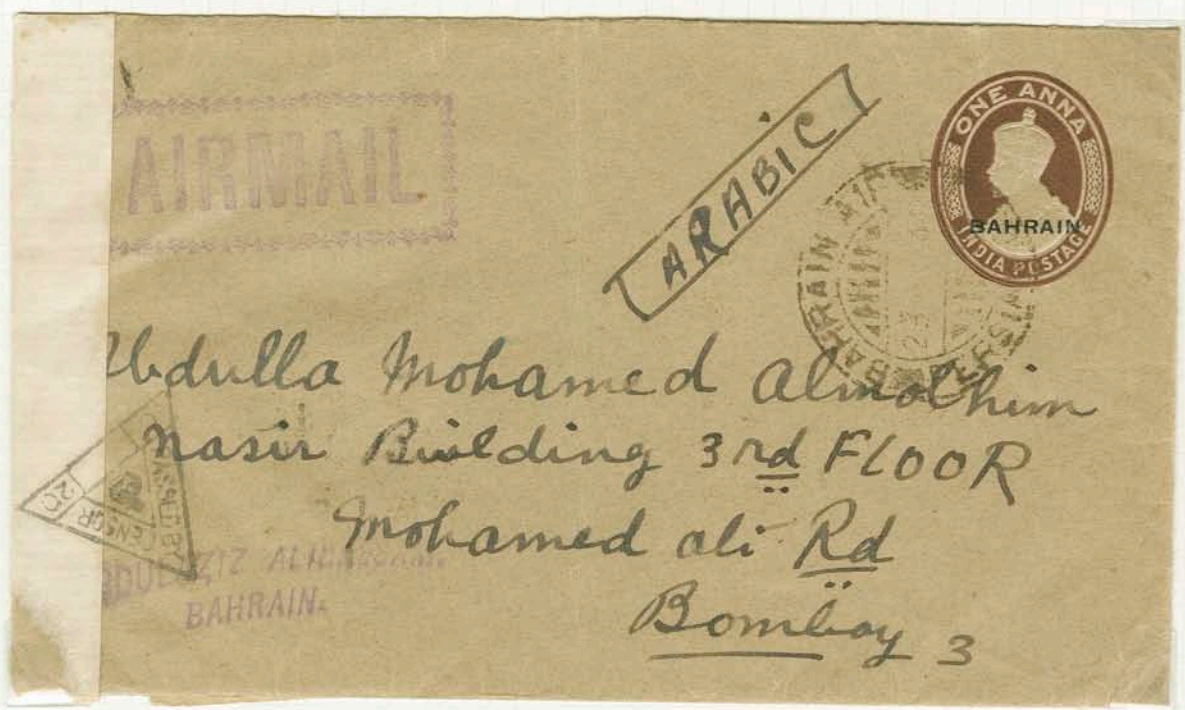
Baghdad  
Iraq





# Bahrain

1941-46, G. VI envelopes 1 A. (censored and uprated 3 Ps. + 2 As. on reverse) and 1 ½ As. (uprated 2 As.), both to Bombay with arr. cds.





# Bahrain

1942, underpaid censored cover from Canada with the very rare "BAHRAIN UNPAID" handstamp.

Vancouver 18.8

Cairo 12.9

Bahrain 17.9

Canadian "T 100 CENTIMES" due stamp, "BAHRAIN UNPAID 19. SEP 42"  
Censored in Canada and Egypt





# Bahrain

1942, Returned Mail

Airmail cover from Hereford, England (6.7) with GVI 3d and 2x6d, addressed to employees of "The Bahrain Petroleum Co. Ltd., Awali, Bahrain Island, Persian Gulf". Censored and returned to sender, due to the war-time interrupted service, with large green official label, and the stamps additionally cancelled with superb one-line "POSTAGE REFUNDED".



A very scarce marking.



# Bahrain

1942, 3Ps. slate, fine used block of twenty cancelled by wavy lined "Bahrain Air-Persian Gulf" handstamp. (Donaldson No.8.)

Also full strike of boxed bilingual purple "NOT EXAMINED/ IRAQ CENSORSHIP".

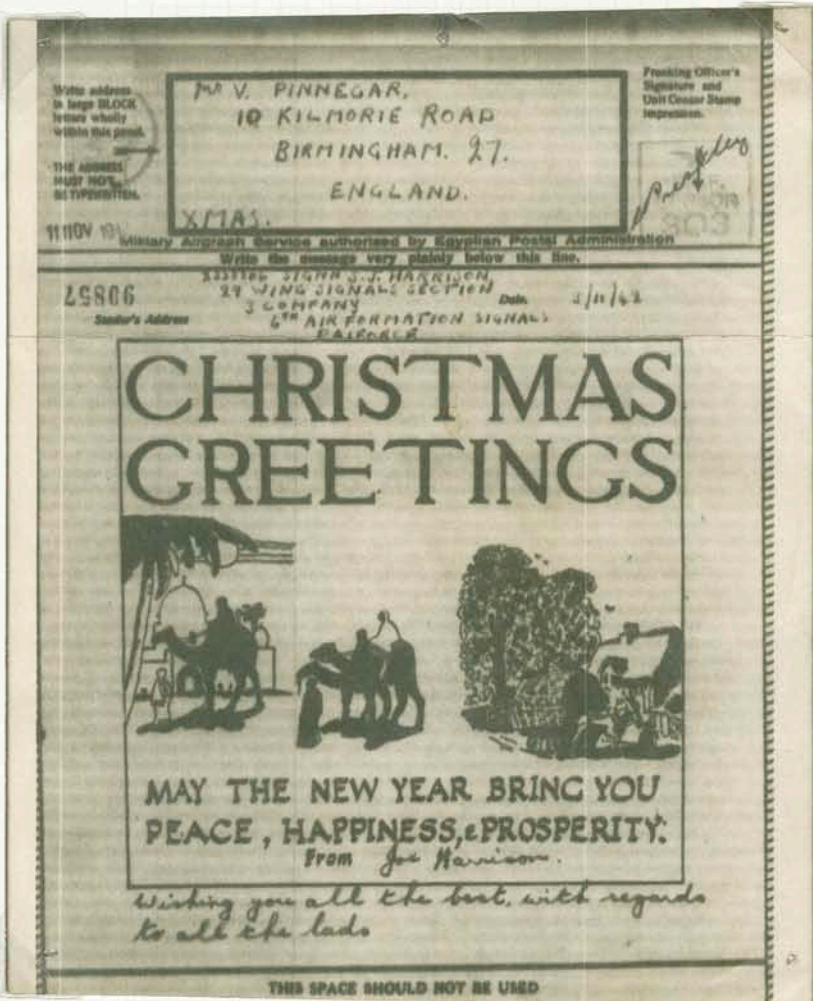
The largest recorded multiple.



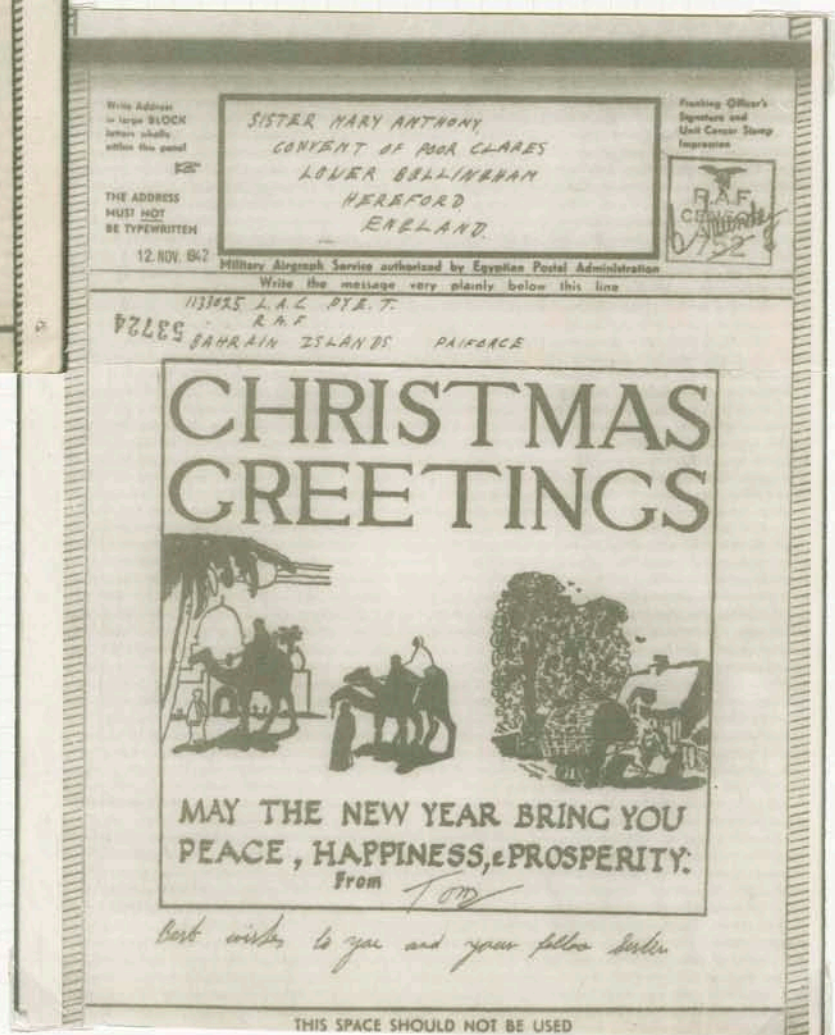


# Bahrain

1942, microfilmed Christmas Greetings from British soldiers in Bahrain



From  
PAIFORCE (Bahrain)



From  
RAF, Bahrain  
Very few have survived.



# Bahrain

1942 (ca.), airmail bank cover from Bahrain to Bagdad, franked 3 As. 6 Ps. and 1 R. on reverse, with very fine strikes of the boxed "BAHRAIN" and "IRAQ" censor handstamps, and Iraqi censor's re-sealing tape.





# Bahrain

1941, underpaid to Iran.

Cover with Bahrain, 1938 ½ A. (4), underpaid by ½ A. and taxed on arrival in Chabahar with Iran 1938 50 D. (2) cancelled "TCHABAHAR". A very rare combination.





## Bahrain

1942, 2 1/2 As. rate to India.

*Censored and re-sealed cover, the franking remarkably made up of 10x3 Ps. including block of 9, to Bombay with boxed arrival postmark (23.4), advertising war bonds.*





# Bahrain

1943, 2 Rs. 11 ½ As. airmail rate to USA.

G VI 4 As. (3) and pair 1 R. (overpaid ½ A.) on cover with large US purple "D" censor mark and ½ A., 3 As., 8 As. and 2 Rs. on cover with British and US censor re-sealing tapes.

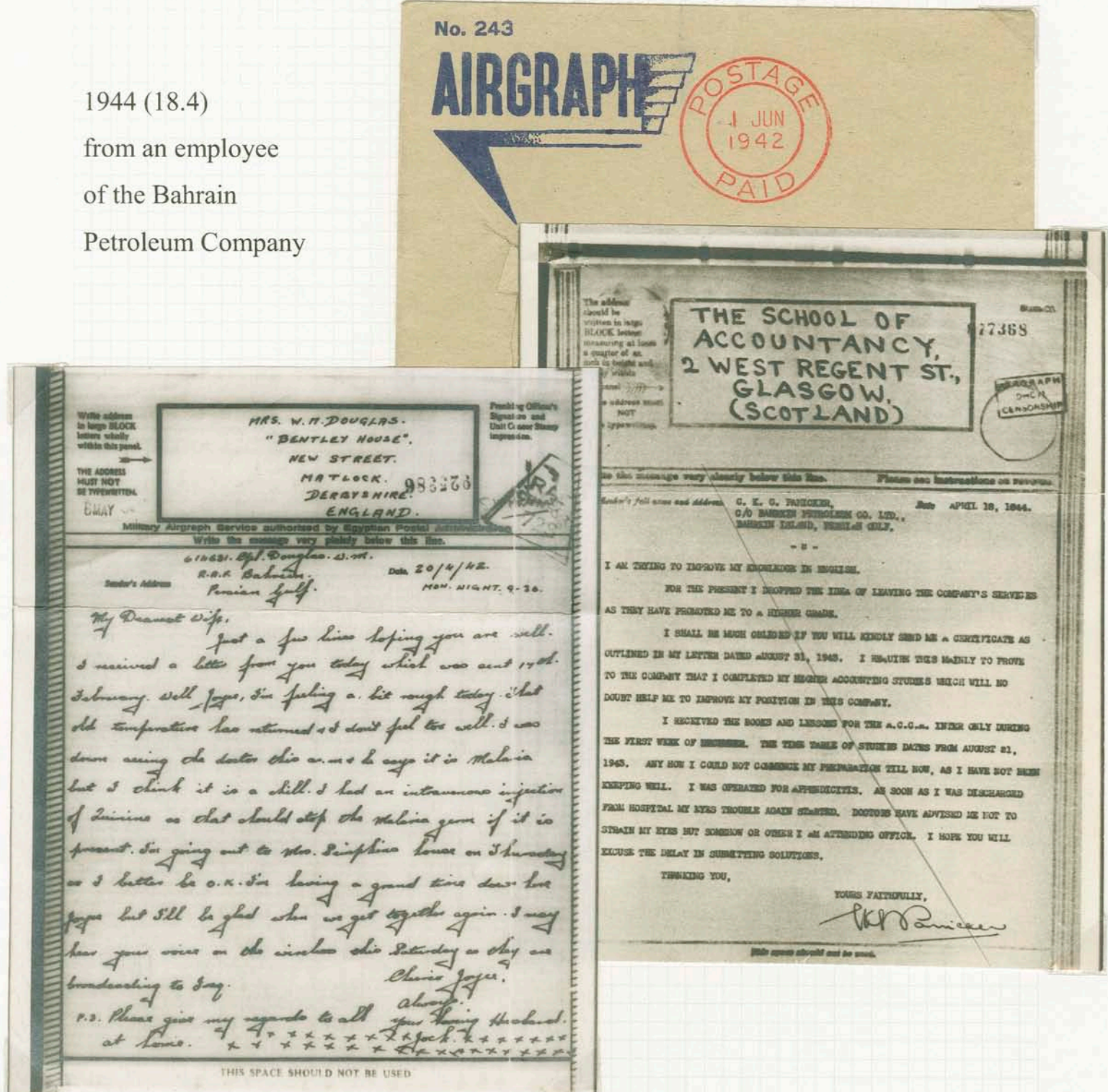




# Bahrain

1942-44, mimeographed 'Airgraph' letters with forwarding envelope.

1944 (18.4)  
from an employee  
of the Bahrain  
Petroleum Company



1942 (20.4), from the RAF.  
"Few and far between from  
Bahrain." (T.E. Jones)



## Bahrain

1942, censored airmail cover to Bombay, under-franked by 3 Ps. (2 As. 3 Ps. instead of 2 ½ As. = 2 As. 6 Ps.), with the scarce "BAHRAIN/ DUE/ ... As." (Donaldson Type 20) and on the reverse octagonal "UNPAID" marks of Bombay and Mandvi.





# Bahrain

1943, from the Political Agent to Baluchistan.

2 ½ As. rate, made up of 3 Ps. Block of 8 and ½ A. on censored airmail cover from E. B. Wakefield, Political Agent in Bahrain (15.2) to Loralai (22.2). A scarce destination.





# Bahrain

1944, "VP" Provisional registration label.

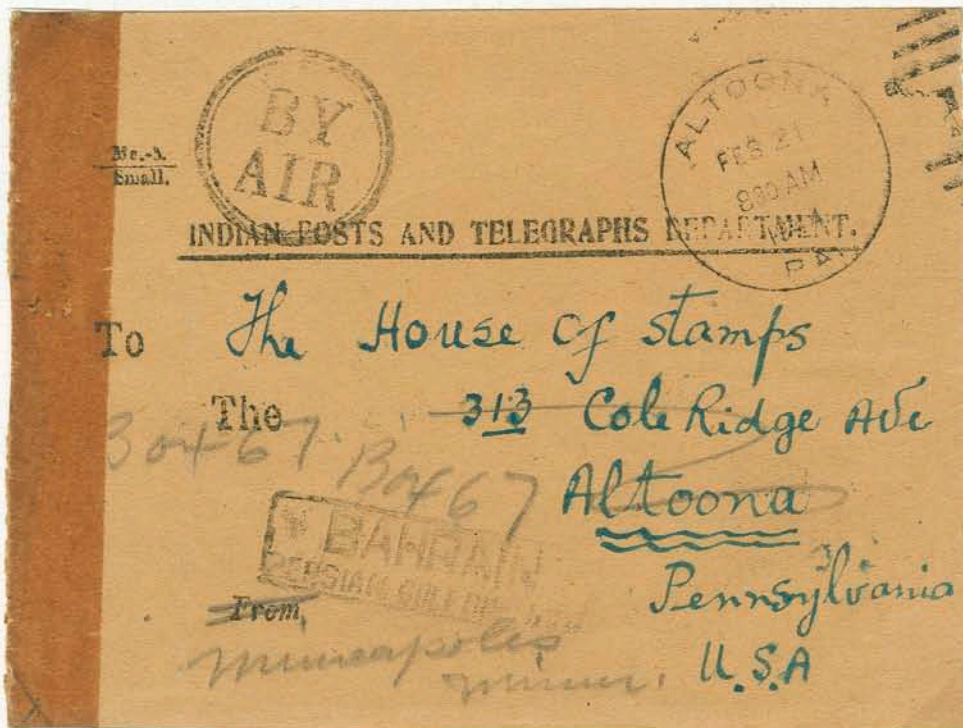
5 ½ As. registered airmail rate from Bahrain (11.4) to Bombay, with censor's handstamps and sealing tape. Due to a shortage of registration labels, a "V.P" (value payable) label was used. Donaldson records the brief use of such labels in Kuwait in 1943 and 1947 but does not record it used in Bahrain . A very rare cover.





# Bahrain

1943, official registered airmail cover from Bahrain (25.11) with the Type 18 registration handstamp used 10 years (!) later than recorded by Donaldson, to Altoona, USA (21.2.44), and re-directed. Resealed by censor. A rare usage.





# Bahrain

1944, Airgraph from Bahrain (1.5) to England with commercial contents re the importation of cigarettes. Non-military airgraphs are rare.

The address should be written as large as possible in BLOCK letters wholly within this panel. The address must NOT be typewritten.

MESSRS BRITISH AMERICAN  
TOBACCO COY LTD.  
RUSHAM HOUSE WHITEHALL  
LANE  
EGHAM, SURREY, ENGLAND

305311  
BAHRAIN  
1 MAY 44

AIRGRAPH  
DMC/1  
CEN/134518

the message very clearly below this line. Please see instructions on reverse.

Sender's full name and address: ABDULLA AJWAN & BROS.  
BAHRAIN. PERSIAN GULF

Date: 1st May 1944  
Page No. 2

Dear Sirs:

We are surprised to notice that our competitors are getting their requirements of cigarettes from the States under the terms of S/D while we get our requirements against cash payment in the States. Frankly we would inform you that we experience immense difficulties in securing Dollars. We know it for certain that our mutual friends in the States are in far better position than that of the suppliers of our competitors.

Since the last two months we are endeavouring heart and soul to get Dollars but regret to have to inform you that up till now we have not succeeded and as soon as we succeed we would at once remit the amount in the States and would cable you the details.

The cigarettes of our competitors mentioned on the first page of this letter, have still not appeared in the market but when they appear in the market we would have to meet with extreme difficulties and keen competition and no doubt it would effect on our sales.

We are in receipt of the invoice of 40 cases Lucky-strike and have noticed that the landing charge has not been deducted. Please credit in our account the landing charge of this consignment.

We have still not received the sample of Players Virginia cigarette but we trust that the same would soon arrive and as soon as the same in our hands we would let you know.

Yours faithfully  
Ajwan

This space should not be used.



# Bahrain

1944, 3 Ps.(2), 1A. pair, 3 As. and 1 R. (=1 R 5 ½ As. rate) on airmail bank cover to Switzerland, censored in Bahrain and Egypt, with the very rarely seen Bahrain "OPENED BY EXAMINER" re-sealing tape, tied by the framed Bahrain censor.





# Bahrain

1945, incoming mail from Egypt.

53 mils rate on cover via British , FPO 107 (30.7) etc. , censored in Egypt with crowned "DEPUTY CHIEF FIELD CENSOR", in Persia with "ANGLO-SOVIET-PERSIAN CENSORSHIP" in English (front) and Russian (reverse) and in Bahrain.





# Bahrain

1944, cover to Alexandria via Basrah and Cairo with Bahrain and Iraq boxed censor's handstamps, Iraqi censor tape and circular Egyptian censor handstamp "M".



Extremely rare triple censorship.



# Bahrain

1945, India Victory 1 A. mixed with Bahrain 4 As. on superb registered cover to  
Bombay



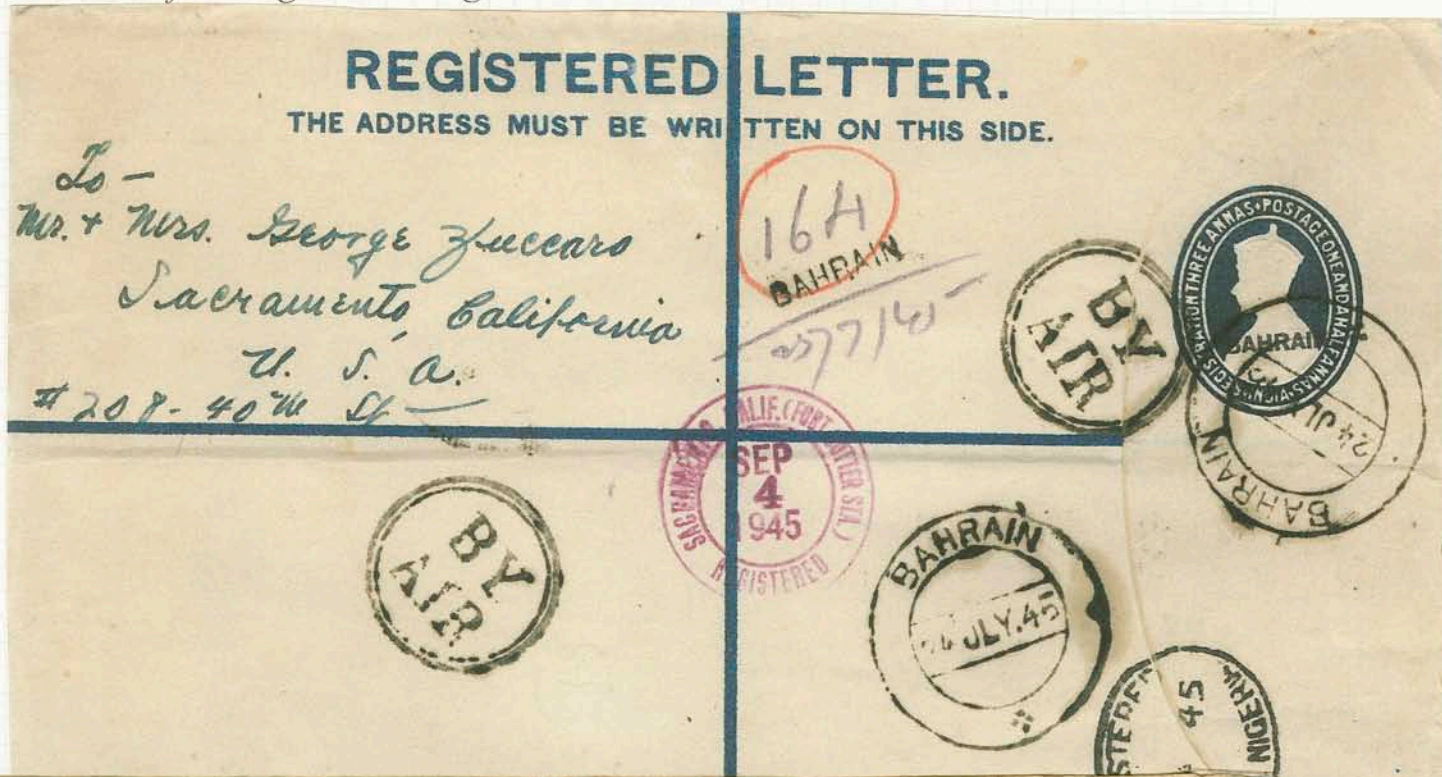
"Covers used in Bahrain bearing these stamps are extremely scarce."

(Donaldson Handbook p.68)



## Bahrain

1945, KG VI registered envelope 4 ½ AS., sent by air from Bahrain (24.7) via Lagos (4.8) and Miami (30.8) to Sacramento (1.9), uprated 3Rs. 11As. 3Ps., total rate 3Rs. 15As. 9Ps. A remarkable franking and routing.





# Bahrain

1945, airmail cover from Bahrain to USA, franked with 2As. block of 16 and ½ As. (32½ As. rate) with the O.A.T. (Onward Air Transport) handstamp (Type IX) to indicate multiple flights, which is scarce from Bahrain.





# Bahrain

1945, 9 Ps. and 1A. (3) on censored airmail cover to Abadan from Bagdad, cancelled with the "ADVANCE POST OFFICE No. 7" cds. A very rare "used abroad".





# Bahrain

1945-47, pair of airmail covers with multiple KG VI frankings, one to Basra (19 ½ As. rate), the other via Lagos to USA (43 ½ As. rate), re-sealed by censor.





# Bahrain

1946, boat mail to USA.

3 As. 6 Ps. Rate.

Both with framed "PASSED BY CENSOR/ BAHRAIN" on reverse, one also with Iraqi  
"NOT OPENED BY/ CENSOR" on the front. A scarce rate.

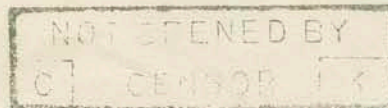
Chas. M. Potter  
C. A. S. C. C.  
c/o Grey-McKenzie  
Bahrain Island  
Persian Gulf



1316

(Boat mail)

Eastman Kodak Company  
(Attention - Mr. P. A. O'Connor,  
Film Processing Service)  
Rochester, New York



Mr. T. R. Kelly  
University of California Extension Div.  
301 California Hall  
Berkeley, California

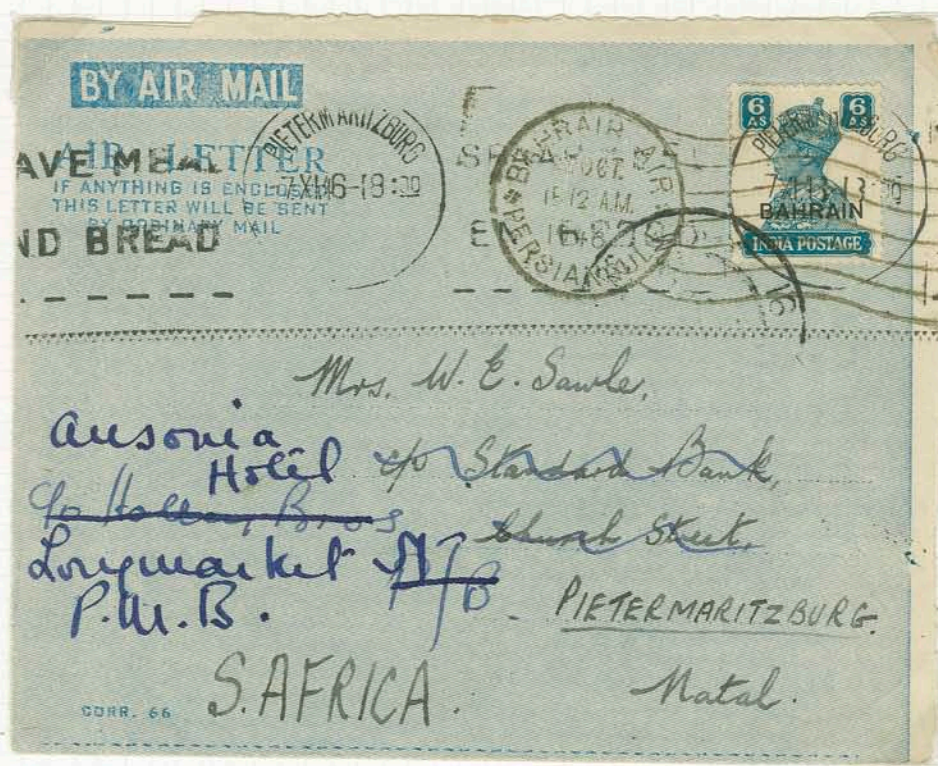
U.S.A.



## *Bahrain*

*1946, the only recorded 6 As. Air Letter.*

*Indian 6 As. Air Letter overprinted BAHRAIN, used to South Africa and redirected there, with arrival slogan cds. Pietermaritzburg (7.11). Not recorded by Donaldson or Jones and the only known example.*

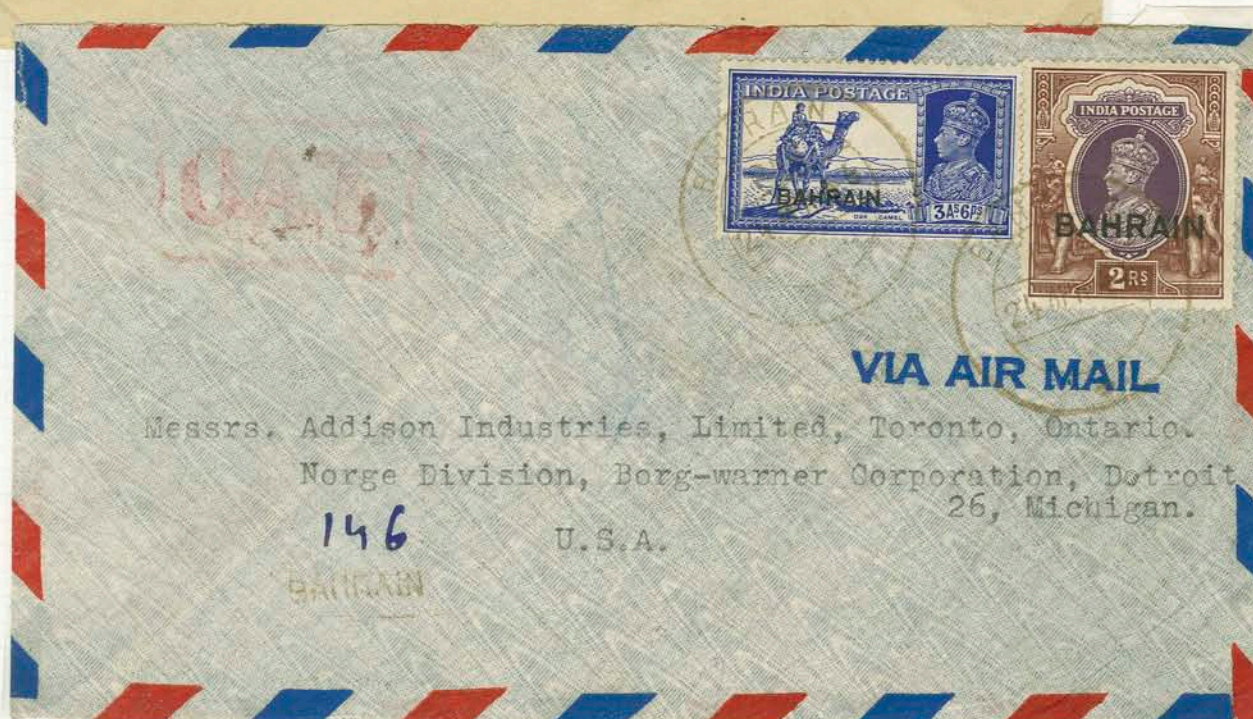




# Bahrain

1946, "OAT" (Onward Air Transport) to USA.

Airmail cover (32 ½ As. rate) and registered airmail (2 Rs. 3 As. 6 Ps. = 35 ½ As. rate), both with framed red "OAT", indicating by consecutive flights. Very rarely seen from Bahrain.





# Bahrain

1947, 17 As. rate registered airmail to Switzerland.

Cover from Bahrain (9.12, Donaldson Type 9) to Berne (17.12), re-directed to Basel (18.12), exceptionally franked with G.VI 17 x 1A.





## Bahrain

1946, Registered O.A.T. (Onward Air Transmission) to USA

Unique  
7 R. 12 As.  
3P. franking  
with very  
rare use of  
the 5R. and  
the victory  
1 ½ As.

M. Shakib  
c/o Bahrain Petroleum Co. Ltd.,  
Bahrain Island, Persian Gulf.

VIA AIR MAIL  
REGISTERED

MR. GRIFFING BANCROFT,  
CUYAMACA CLUB  
SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA





# Bahrain

1946, 14 As. rate to England.

Cover from the "Government of Bahrain/ Medical Department", but franked with 3 Ps. (8), ½ A. (6) and 3 As. (3). A most unusual combination!

GOVERNMENT OF BAHRAIN.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

BY AIR MAIL  
PAR AVION

Miss Gawan Taylor,  
Secretary Overseas Nursing Association,  
Imperial Institute,

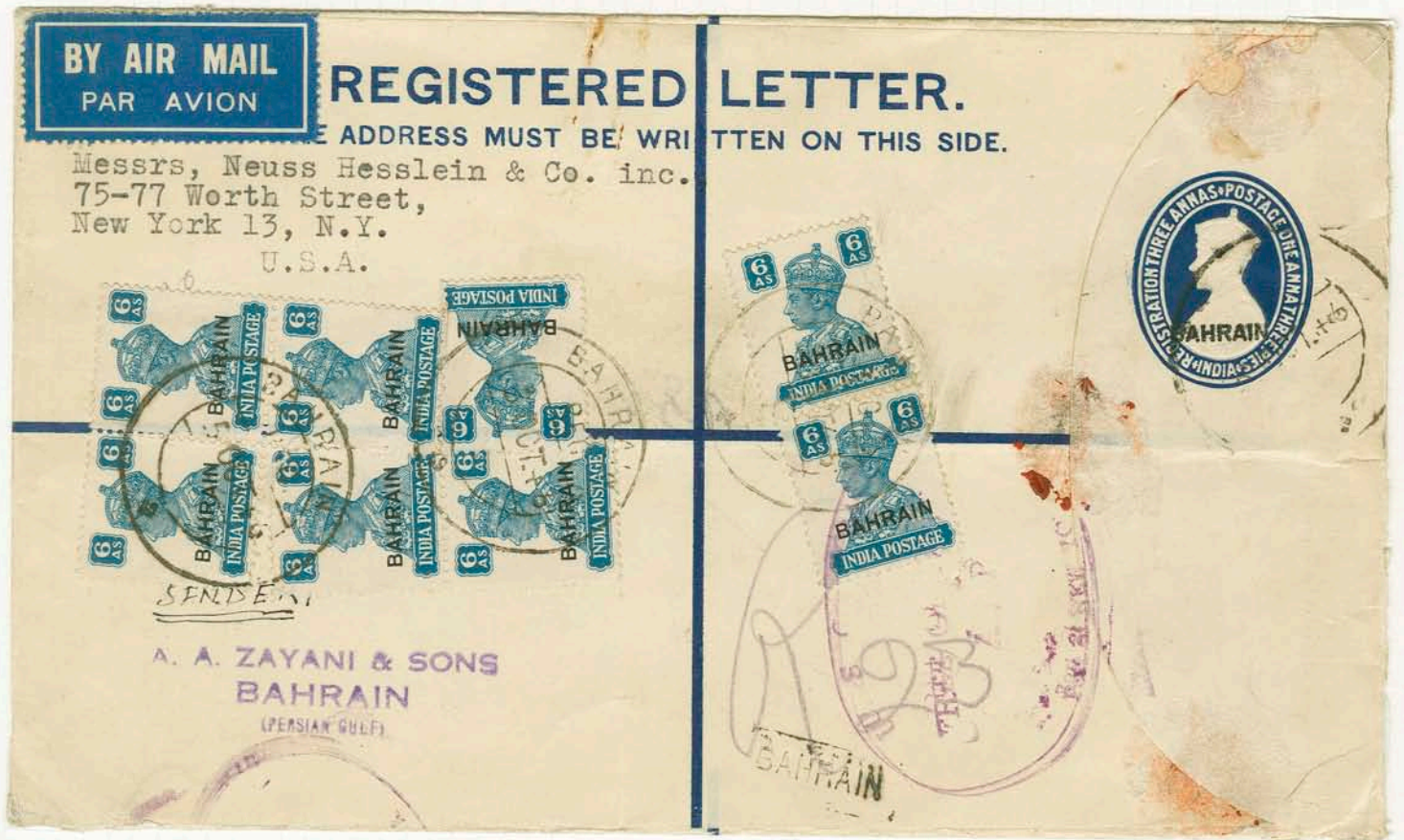
ENGLAND.





# Bahrain

1946, overprinted registered cover 3 As. + 1 ½ As., uprated with 8x 6As. (52 ½ As. rate), sent from Bahrain (5.10) by airmail to New York (11.10). A rare high rate.





# Bahrain

1947, Postcard "BAHRAIN 9 Ps.", handstamped "HALF ANNA", uprated 2x3 Ps. (=1A. rate), commercially used from Bahrain (5.10) and sent by airmail to Veraval/ India (9.10, arrival cds. on front). This provisional postcard has previously only been recorded from Kuwait. A great rarity.





# Bahrain

1947, Disaster Mail (23.8)

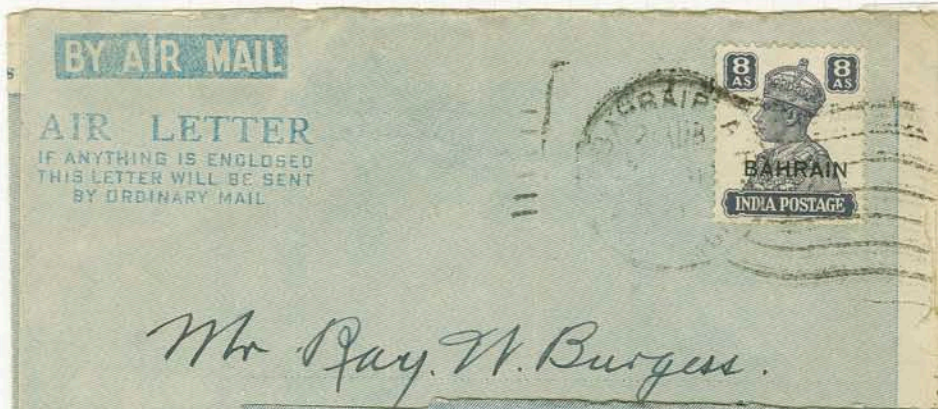
The BOAC flying boat "Portland" (S. 25 Sandringham V, G-AHZB) on the Dragon route, from Hong Kong to Great Britain, crashed into the sea when landing at Bahrein. The mail coming from different countries was partially saved. Cover from Madras, franked India 1R. 2 As., with boxed "DAMAGED BY SEA WATER".





# Bahrain

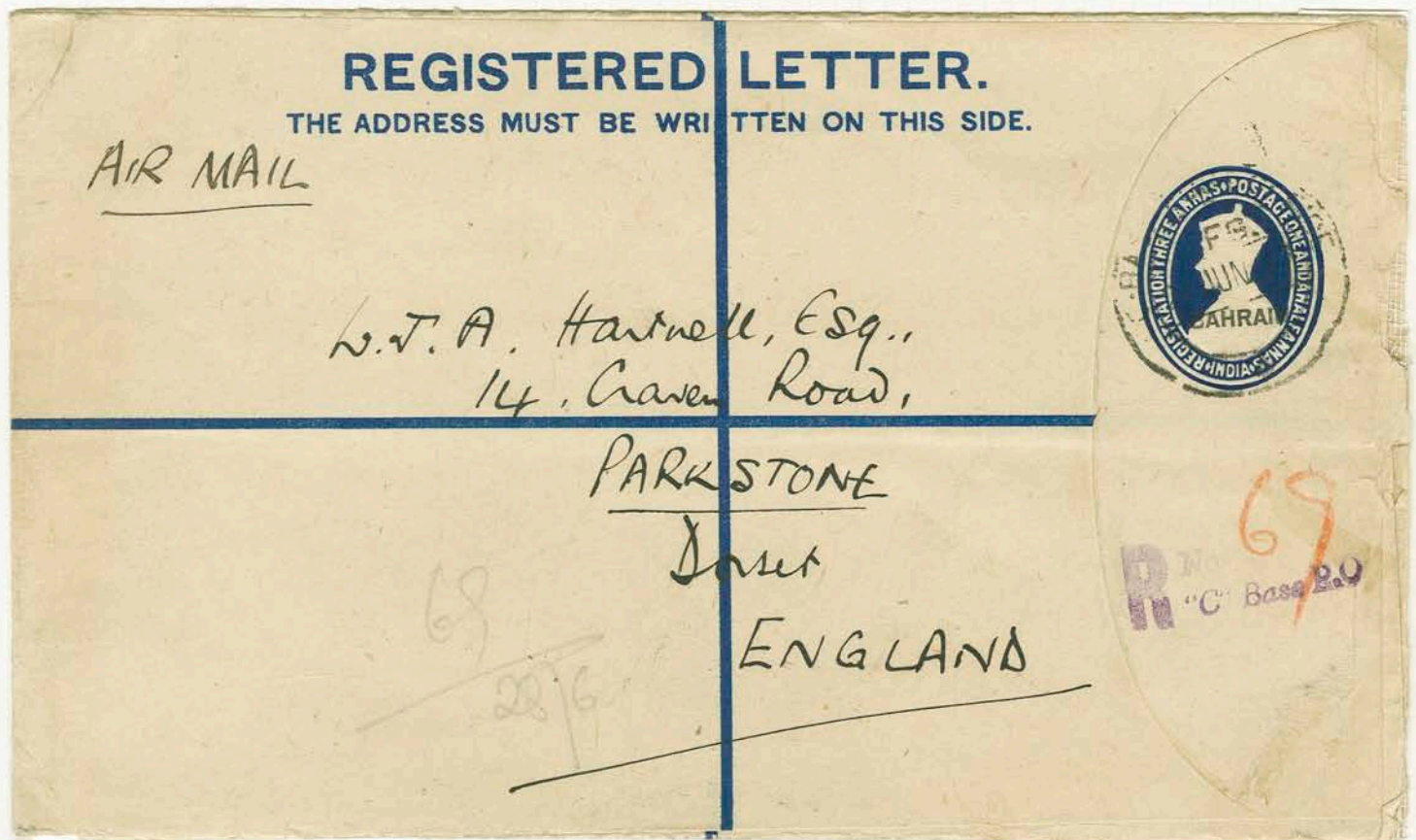
1947, Formula Air Letters to Canada (9½ As. rate) and USA (2), one franked 8 As., the other 6 As. with man. "Stamps insufficient" but apparently no postage due charged. Ex Kasper.





# Bahrain

1947, registered cover 3 As. + 1 ½ As. overprinted "BAHRAIN", used from "C" Base in Basra, to England. A very rare "used abroad" usage.

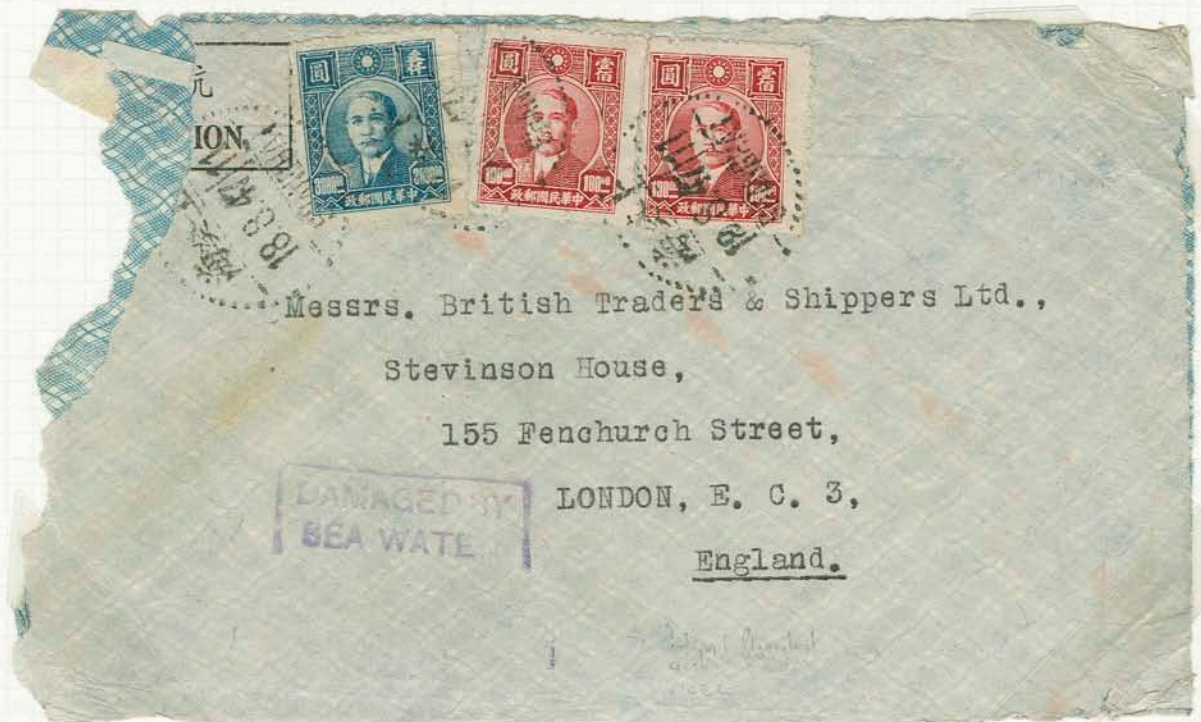




# Bahrain

1947, disaster mail

*The "Portland" Flying Boat crashed on landing in Bahrain on 23.8.47*



*Cover from Shanghai with framed cachet "DAMAGED BY/ SEA WATER". A rare origin.*



# Bahrain

1947,

5 Rs. with 1 A. and

pair 6 As. on reg. airmail cover

from Bahrain (5.11)

via New York (14.11)

to San Pedro (15.11).



The 5 RS.

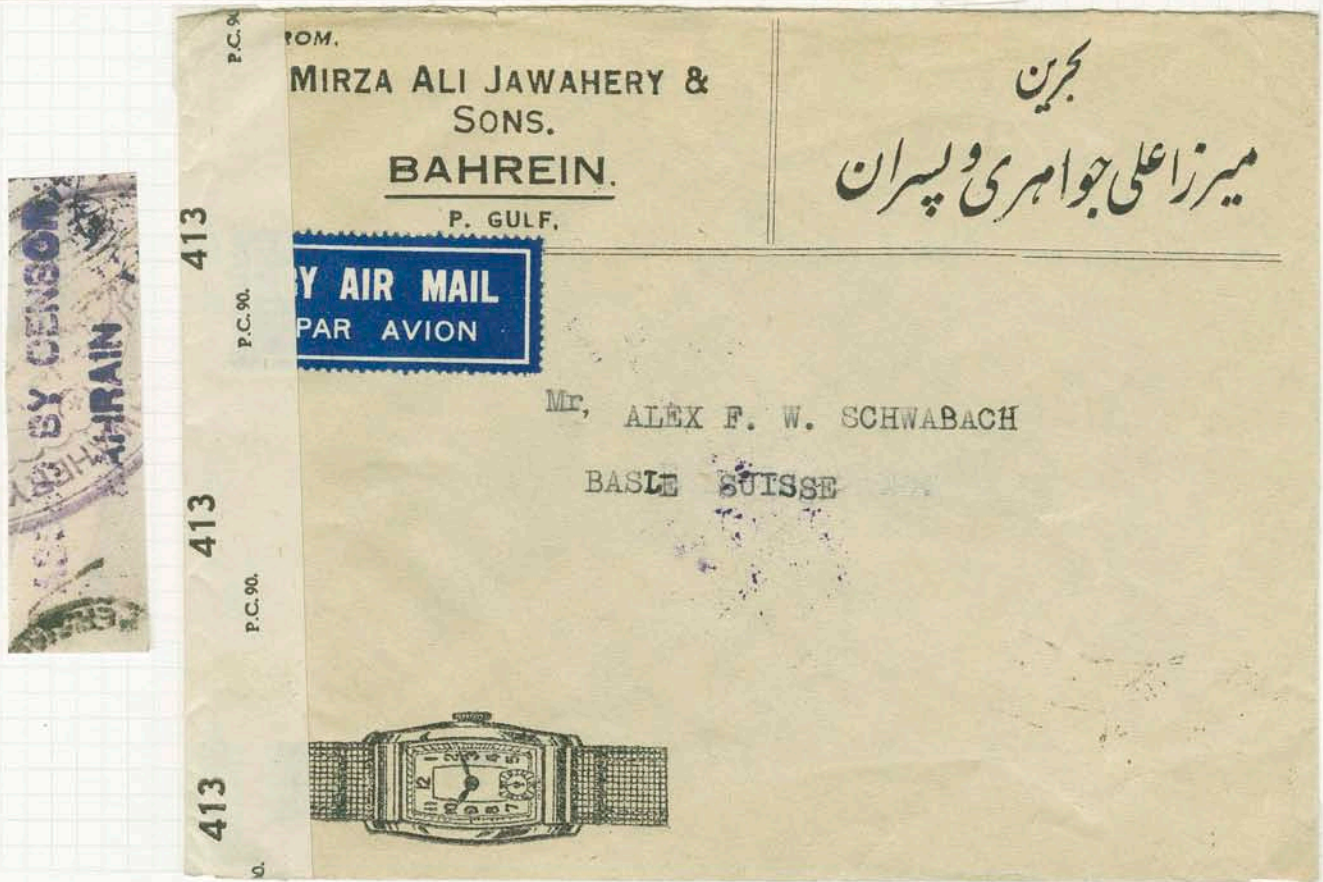
is rare

on cover.



## *Bahrain*

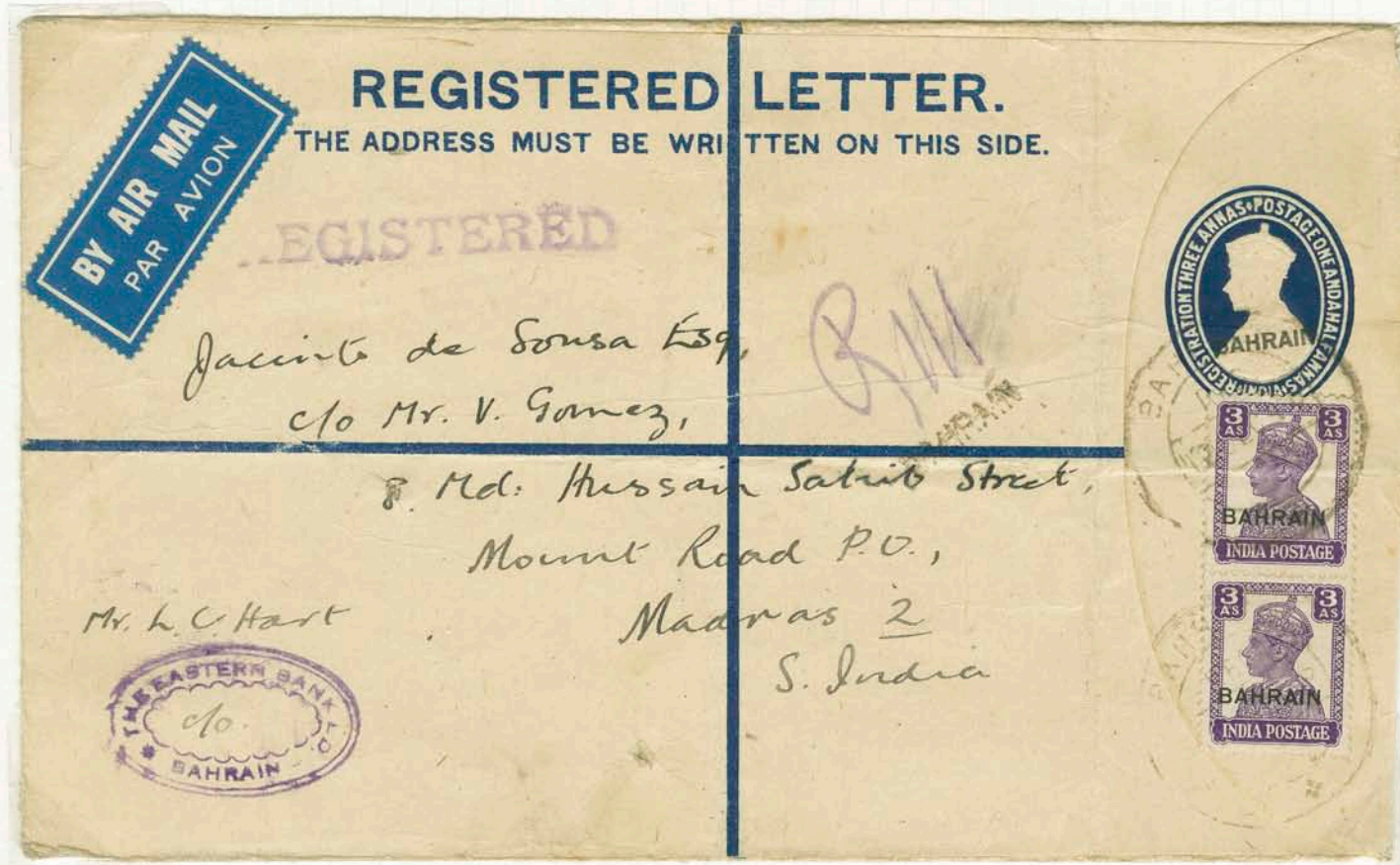
1945-47, advertising and registered covers (28 As.) to Switzerland.





# Bahrain

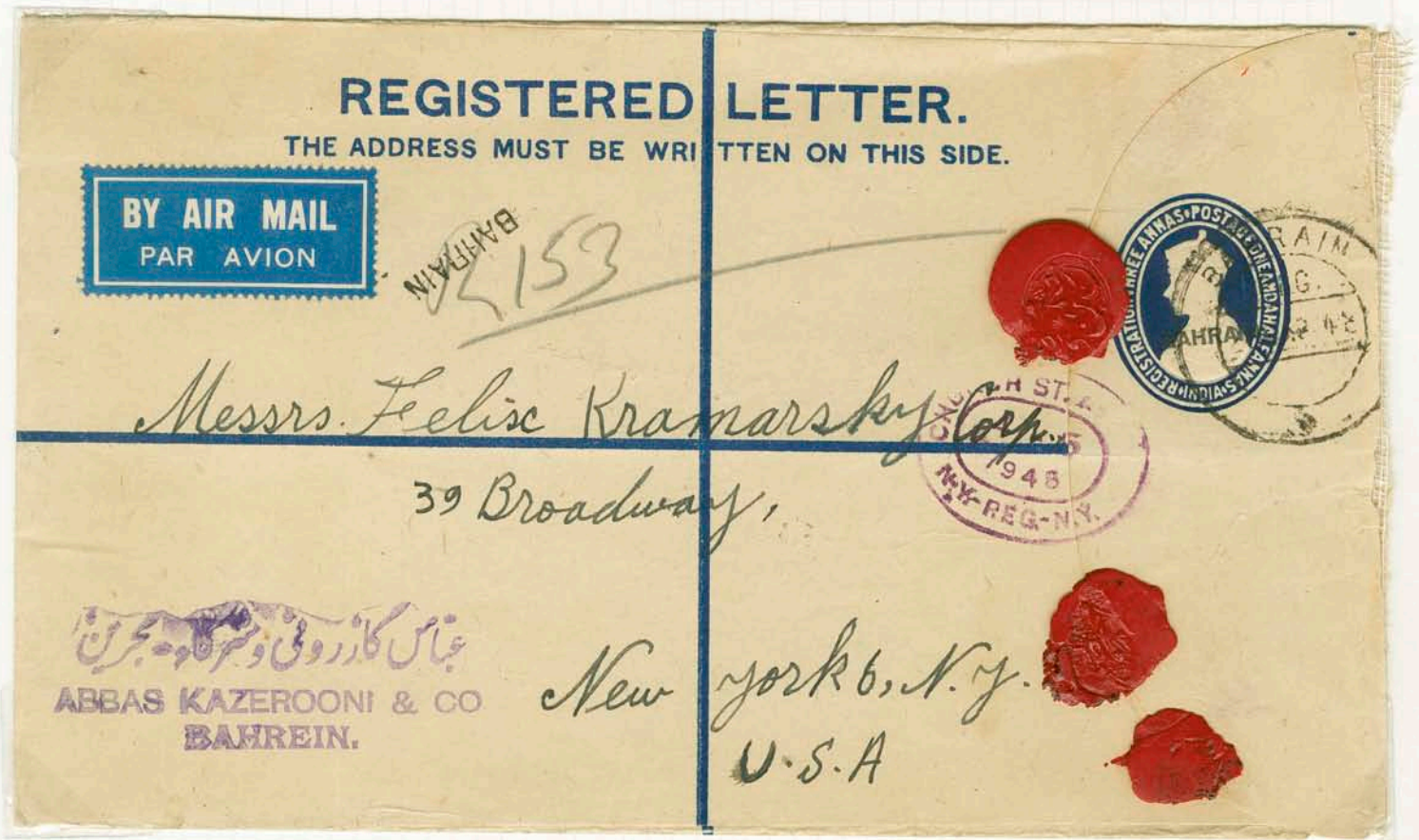
1946, KG VI Registered Letter 1 ½ + 4As., uprated with pair 3 As., to India (arr. cds. 18.12 on reverse). A very scarce envelope. HG Handbook: "Reported but never seen".





# Bahrain

1948, G. VI. 3 As. + 1 ½ As. registered envelope, uprated by 1 ½ As. (2) and 8 As. (3) = 30 ½ As. airmail rate from Bahrain (28.3) to New York (3.4). A very rare usage during the Pakistani Post office period and 3 days before the British P.O took over.





# Bahrain

1948, the Pakistani P.O. period.

Registered airmail cover (5 ½ As. rate) from Bahrain (28.2) to Bombay (2.3), cancelled with Don. Type 9 and with the cachet impressed directly on the cover.





# Bahrein

1948,  
Mail from  
ARAMCO in  
Bahrein  
was sometimes  
sent via  
Saudi Arabia  
and cancelled  
in KHOBAR



The 20 G.  
stamps  
misperforated,  
with parts of  
adjoining stamps.  
77 ½ G. rate to USA +  
Hospital tax  
stamp 1/8 G.



# Bahrain

1948, taxed registered mail to England.

Heavy registered cover from Bahrain to England, on arrival found opened and re-sealed by the Post Office, then opened and re-sealed by Customs, with Charge label and the customs duty affixed in postage due stamps.





# Bahrain

1948, Olympic Games 2 ½ As. with error "overprint <sup>double</sup> inverted", from the only known sheet. Certificates RPS and BPA.





No. 68971

Bahrain 63a

**The British Philatelic Association, Limited**  
**EXPERT COMMITTEE**

446, STRAND,  
LONDON, W.C.2. 15 OCT 1970 19

The Committee is of the opinion that the

*Bahrain 1948, 2½ an on 2½<sup>d</sup>  
ultramarine, unused, with original  
gum, Surcharge double (S.G. 63 a) is  
genuine.*



*[Signature]*  
*[Signature]*

This opinion is given subject to the conditions  
printed on the back thereof.



**The British Philatelic Association, Limited**  
**EXPERT COMMITTEE**

3 BERNERS STREET,  
LONDON, W.1. 12 MAY 1965 19

*The Committee is of the opinion that the*  
Bahrain 1948 Olympic Games 2½a. on 2½d.  
ultramarine, with surcharge double (SG 63a)  
unused with original gum, is genuine.

*Robertson*  
*AL Smith*  
*Reese*



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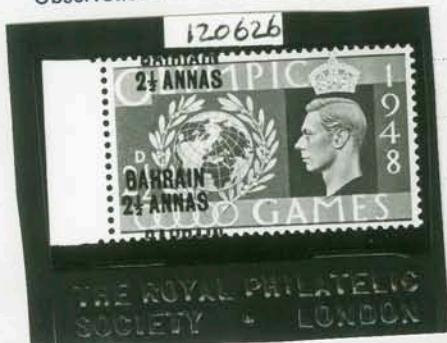
41, Devonshire Place,  
London, W1N 1PE

Meeting of 27 JAN 1982

In the OPINION of The **EXPERT COMMITTEE** the item  
submitted as

Bahrain : 1948 S.G. Nº 63 a.  
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double - unused - ii Genuine.

Observations



*[Signature]*  
Chairman

Submitted by

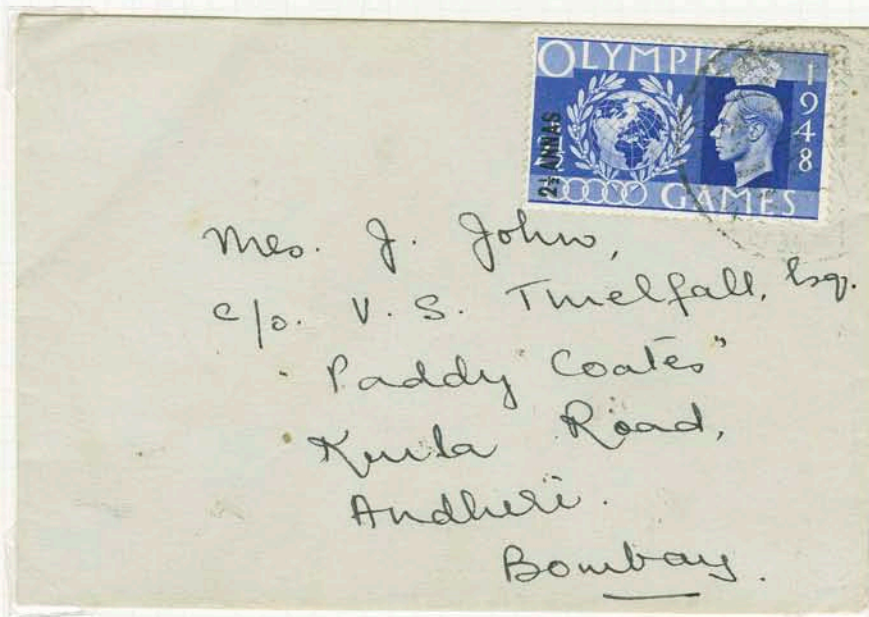
T.D. Barber.



# Bahrain

1948, Olympic Games.

2 ½ As. "Value only" overprint used in Bahrain on cover to Bombay and  
2 ½ As., 3 As. and GVI 1 A. on airmail cover to Switzerland. Scarce usages.

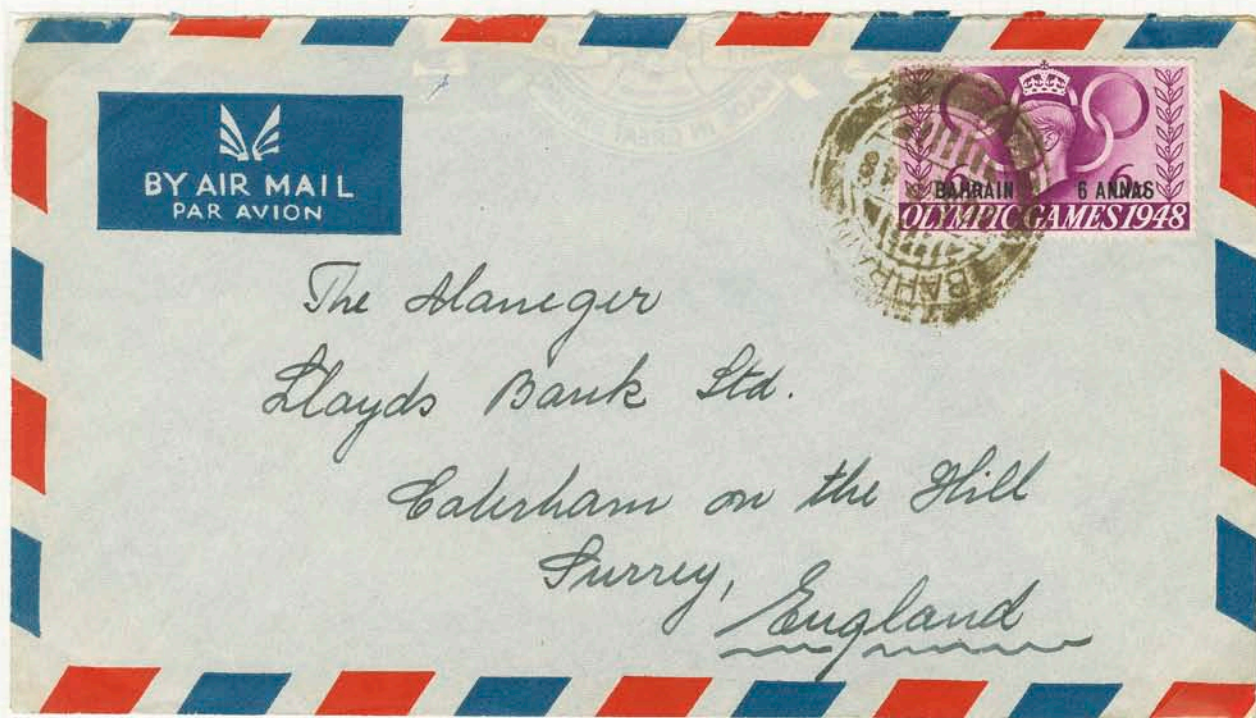




# Bahrain

1948, Olympic Games.

6 As. airmail rate from Bahrain to England and 3 As. and 6 As. used in ENGLAND on a Recorded Delivery Letter. A very scarce irregular usage.





# Bahrain

1948, Olympic Games.

3 As. with GVI ½ A. on airmail cover from Bahrain (3.1) to Bagdad (7.1) and 1R. on airmail cover to USA. This set was only sold in Bahrain for a short period.





# Bahrain

1948, "K 121" experimental postmark.

GVI 6 As. rate to England. The rarest postmark of Bahrain. Donaldson reports that only two covers have been recorded (P.69).

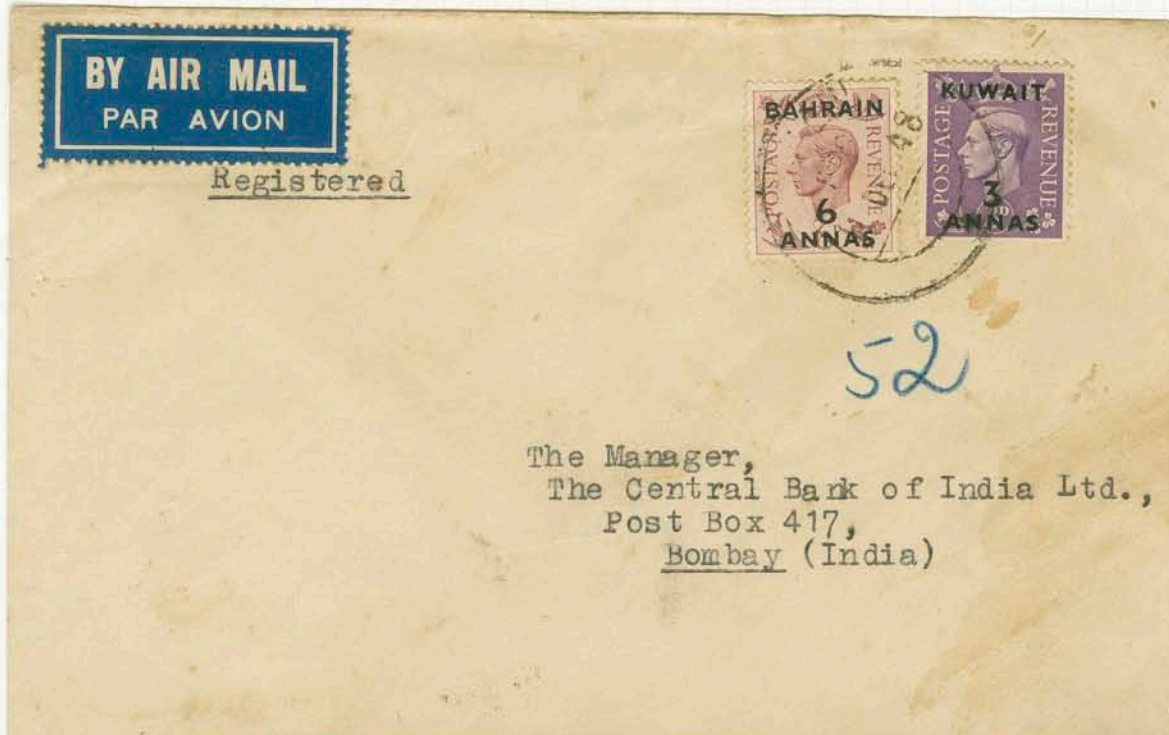




# Bahrain

1948, mixed frankings with Kuwait.

Pair of registered airmail bank letters to India, both with Bahrain 6 As. and KUWAIT 3 As., sent during a shortage of Bahrain 3 As. stamps (November – December), one of the covers originating from the bank's Dubai office.





# Bahrain

1948, 2 R. with 6 As. on sealed registered cover from Bahrain (29.9) via Sydney (3.10) to New Zealand and two examples with 1 A. (3) on registered parcel front to Switzerland. Very rare destination and frankings.





# Bahrain

1949, registered airmail (15 As. rate) to England from a soldier at RAF Habbaniyah (Iraq) but franked with Bahrain stamps, cancelled at F.P.O. 756 (Shaibah/ Iraq), (12.3) with a customs form on the reverse and officially sealed as found open or damaged (16.3). Intriguing usage: possibly the sender was in Bahrain, using an Iraqi forwarding address.

Found open or damaged  
(Arrivé ouvert ou avarié  
et remis en état).

Secure  
and  
officially sealed

FPO D.S.N. 756  
No. 0415

REGISTERED

BAHRAIN  
POSTAGE  
REVENUE  
3  
ANNAS

BAHRAIN  
POSTAGE  
REVENUE  
6  
ANNAS

BAHRAIN  
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ANNAS

Mrs. MARGARET JEFFERY,  
The "ORIGINAL" WHITE HART HOTEL,  
MARKET PLACE,  
RINGWOOD,  
HANTS., U.K..

PARCEL AND LETTER POST  
H.M. FORCES OVERSEAS  
C.910  
A.F.W. 5128  
ABEL

CUSTOMS DECLARATION FORM

This declaration must be completed and affixed to all packages sent to the U.K. which contain goods of any kind. Each item must be fully and accurately described with particulars of weight or quantity and value. Delay in delivery may otherwise result. Inaccurate or misleading declarations render the whole contents liable to confiscation.

Contents	Net weight or quantity	Value
Nylon Stockings	1 Pair	£.s.d. = 9. =

THIS IS NOT A DUTY-FREE CONCESSION

If not delivered return to: *Mr. W.D. Mendenhall*  
(No., rank, name, unit) *FA & CA's Office, Air Headquarters,*  
*RAF Habbaniyah, B.F. in Iraq..*

(104993) WI 20190/183  
7/46 1000m (32) FIP 729

GENERAL POST OFFICE



# Bahrain

1948-50, airmail to Rhodesia.

1948, registered cover (12 As. rate) from Bahrain (17.6, cds. Type 9) via Cairo (22.6), with oval censor's mark in blue, to Marandellas (1.7) and 1950 triple rate cover (24 As.) from Awali (3.12) to Hatfield (9.12). A very scarce destination.





# Bahrain

1948, KGVI, ½ A. to 5 Rs., the issued set on FDC (1.4.48), locally used on the opening day of the British P.O.





# Bahrain

1948, Silver Wedding "value only" set used from Bahrain (27.7) on registered cover to New York (3.8). A scarce usage.





# Bahrain

1950, "BAHRAIN" rubber exchange office handstamp (6.5) on pair G VI 5 Rs.

*An unrecorded cancellation.*





# Bahrain

1950, UPU 6 As.

Single rate "Card only" open letter to England (cds. Type 26) and block of 4 on airmail cover from Awali (cds. T25) to USA (24 As. = 1 ½ Rs. = triple rate). Scarce usages.





# Bahrain

1950, G. VI 1Sh. Postal Order overprinted "B.P.O. AGENCIES/ PERSIAN GULF 2 ANNAS" cancelled "Bahrain" (16.6.50) but unused.

The only recorded G. VI postal order from any Gulf Post office.





# Bahrain

1949 – 50, incoming airmail.

Cover from Bordeaux (12.11.49), franked 175 Fr. rate, with pencilled tax marking

"T 0.34 c" but no sign of charge paid and cover from Lerida, Spain (9.1.50), franked 165 cts. rate. A scarce pair.

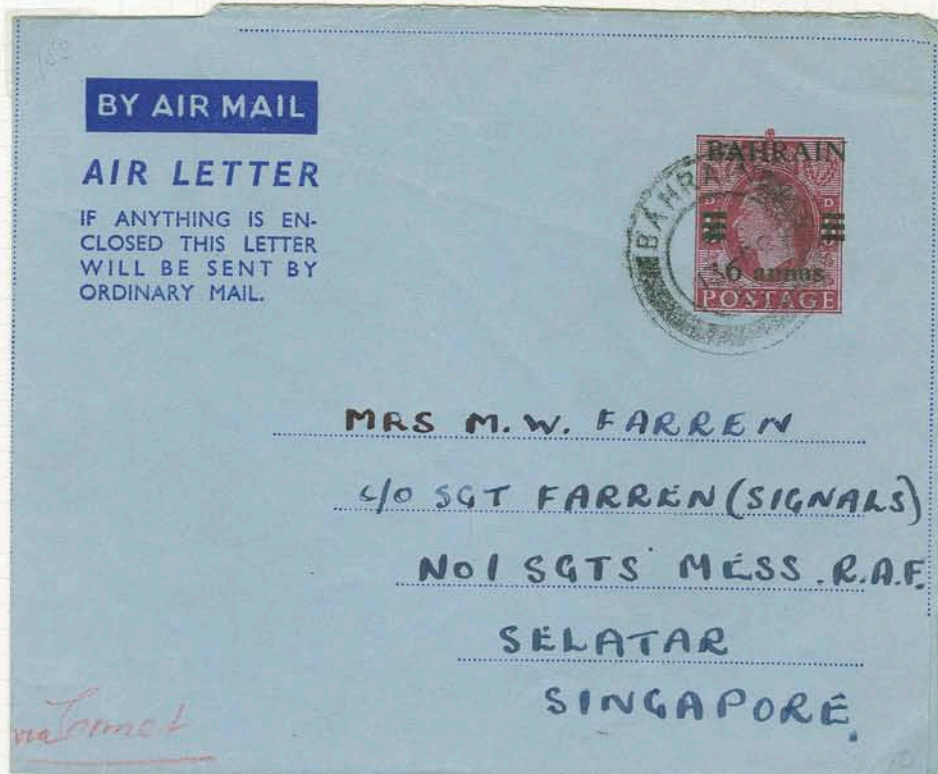
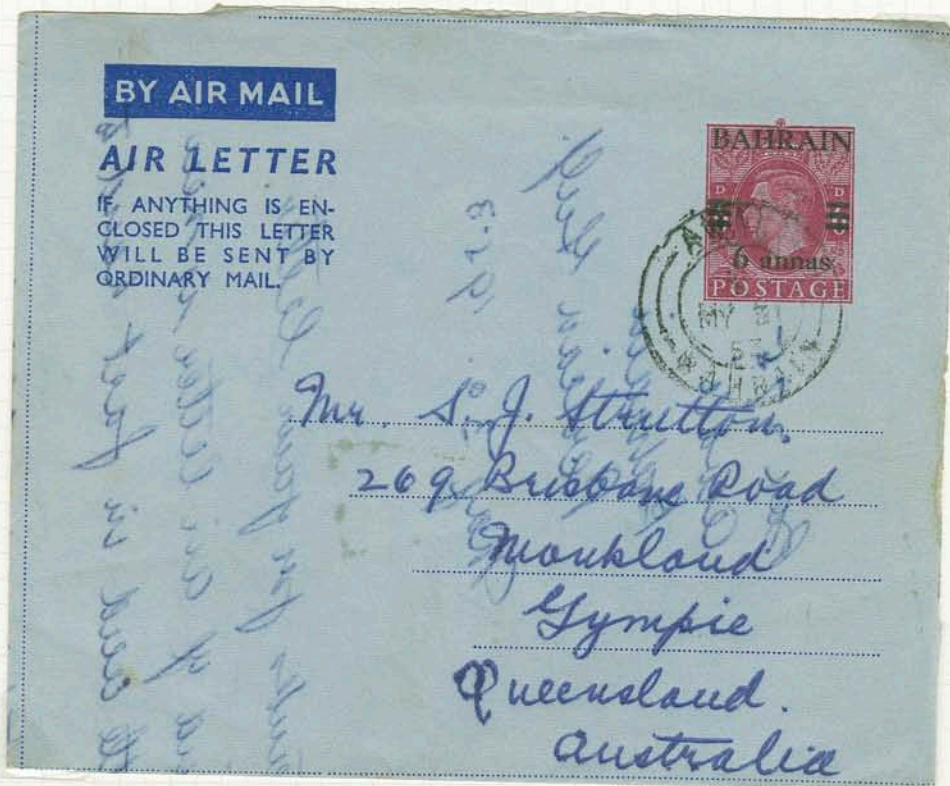




## *Bahrain*

*1952, Air Letter KG VI 6 annas used from Bahrain / Awali to Singapore and Australia.*

*Very scarce destination. Ex Kasper.*





# Bahrain

1950-54, Muscat and Kuwait used in Bahrain.

1950, G.VI, 1R. 10 ½ As. on cover to Bahrain, cancelled by Bahrain T.26 cds, possibly an incoming letter from Muscat cancelled on arrival.



32 As. mixed franking Bahrain, Kuwait and Value only overprints on registered cover to Germany.



# Bahrain

1950, KG VI 2 As., 6 As. and 1R. on air mail cover from Awali (3.12) to Hatfield/  
Rhodesia (arr. cds. 9.12 on reverse). A scarce destination and early usage of this  
postmark (Don. Type 24).

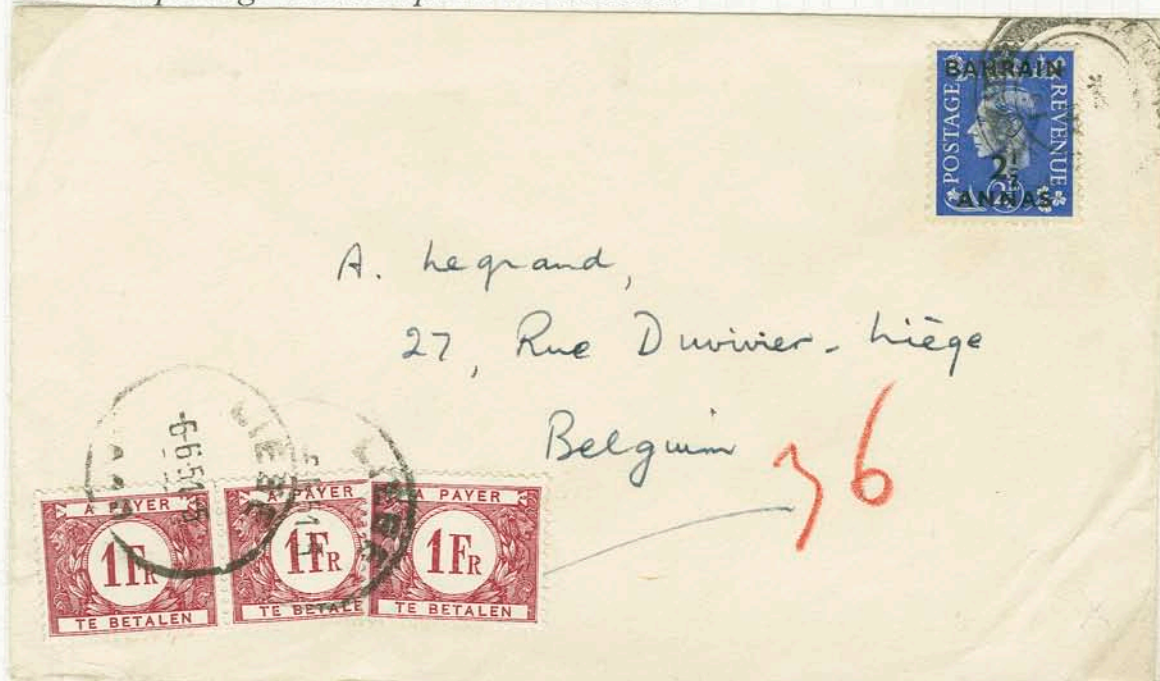




# Bahrain

1951, G VI postage due and hotel cover.

2 ½ As. (instead of 6 As.) on cover to Belgium with "36" (UPU gold cents) marked in red and postage due stamps 3x 1 Fr. added.



12 As. airmail registered rate to Holland on an illustrated hotel envelope.



# Bahrain

1951, the scarce 2 ½ As. pale scarlet on registered mail 7 ½ As. rate to Kuwait

Violet

'REGISTERED

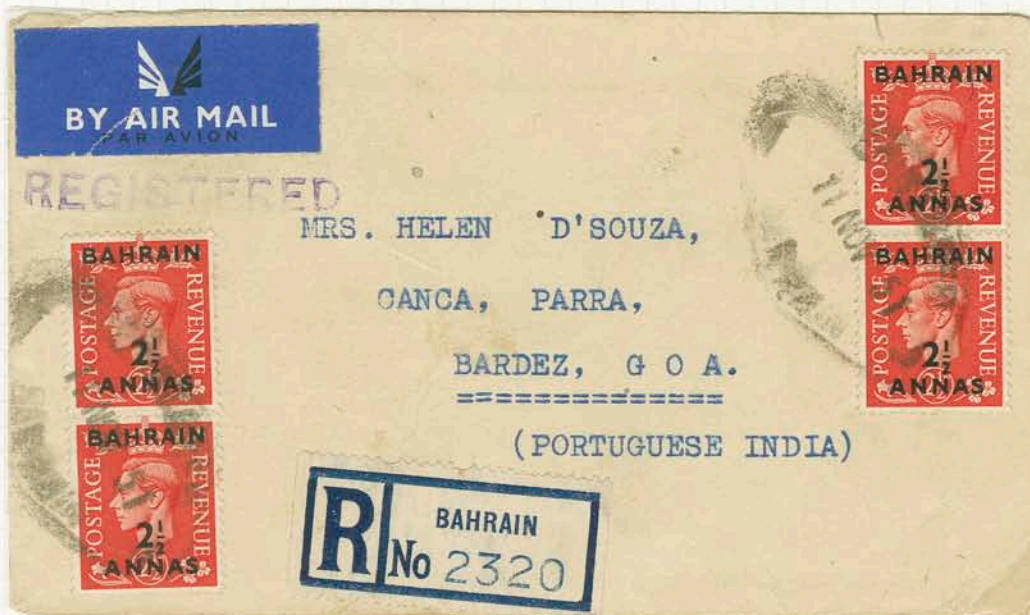
BAHRAIN'

12.5.51

(Don. Type 22)



10 As. rate to Portuguese  
India



Worn  
black  
'REGISTERED  
BAHRAIN'  
11.11.51

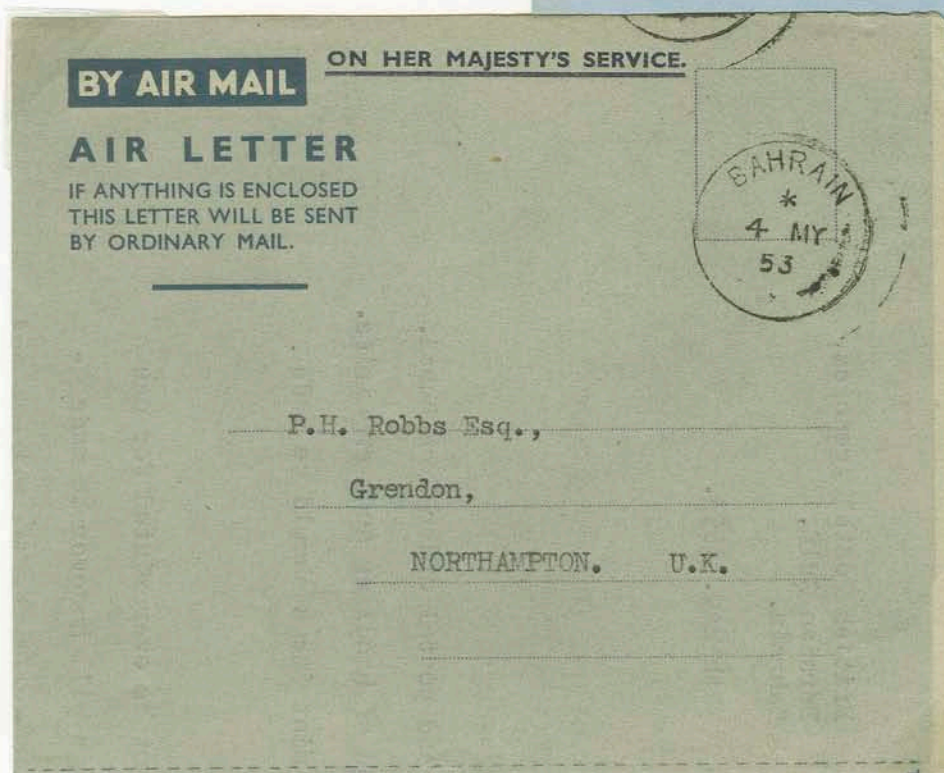
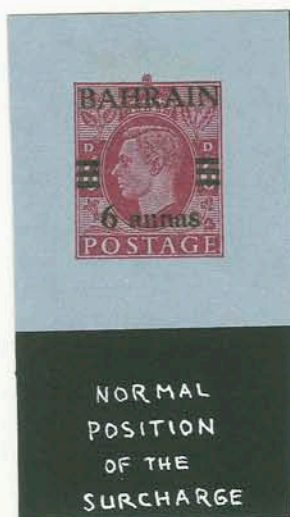
Donaldson reports this mark in black only from 1952.



# Bahrain

1952, Air Letter KG VI 6A. with the overprint shifted to the right.

Jones records no varieties of this overprint. The only known example.



1953, official Air Letter from the Postal Superintendent in Bahrain, stating that the QE II Coronation Air Letters would not be overprinted for use in the Gulf. However, one month later they were!



# Bahrain

1952-53, multiple frankings to England.

G.VI 3 As. corner plate block of 8 (24 As. quadruple rate) and QE II ½ A. (6 pairs = 6 As. single rate). Very scarce frankings.

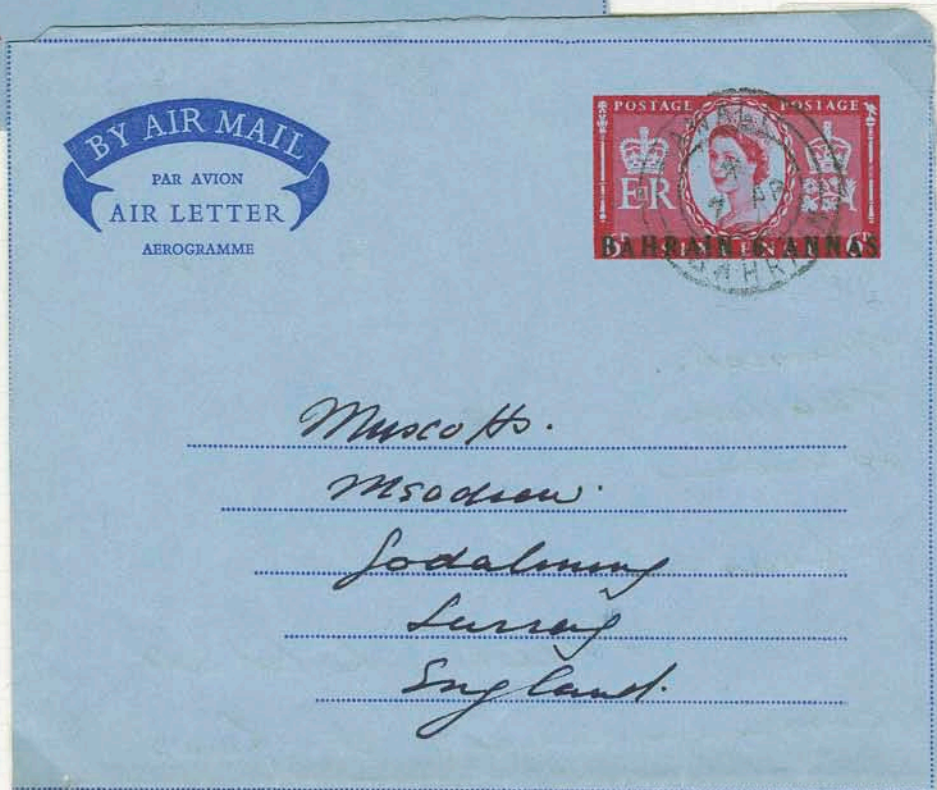
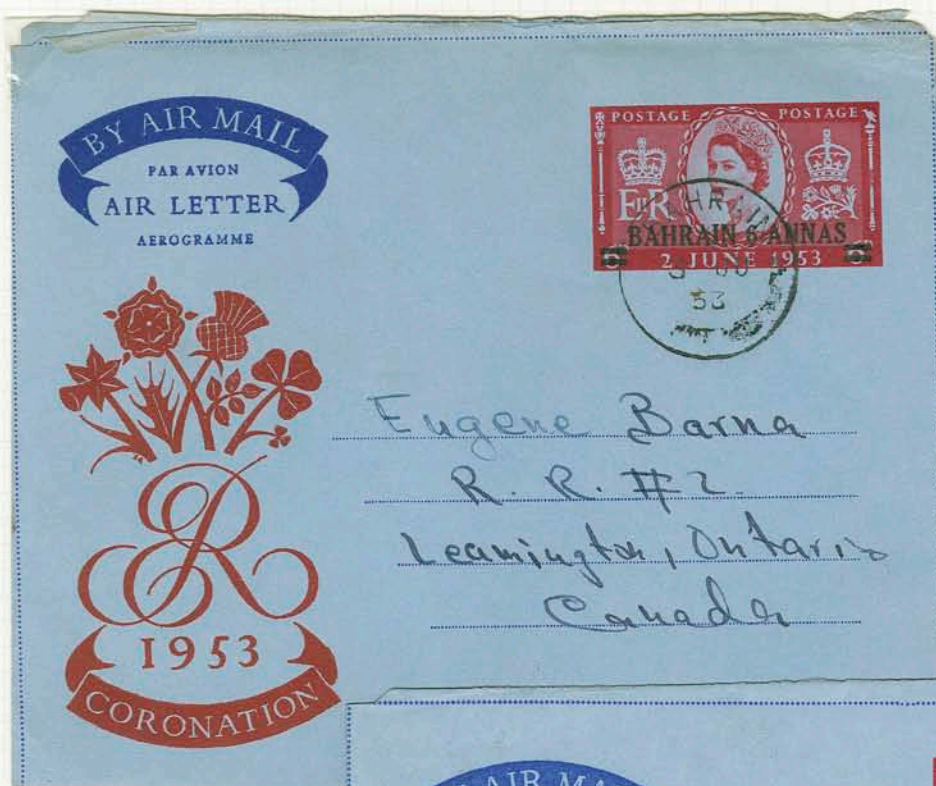




# Bahrain

1953-56, Air Letters 6 Annas.

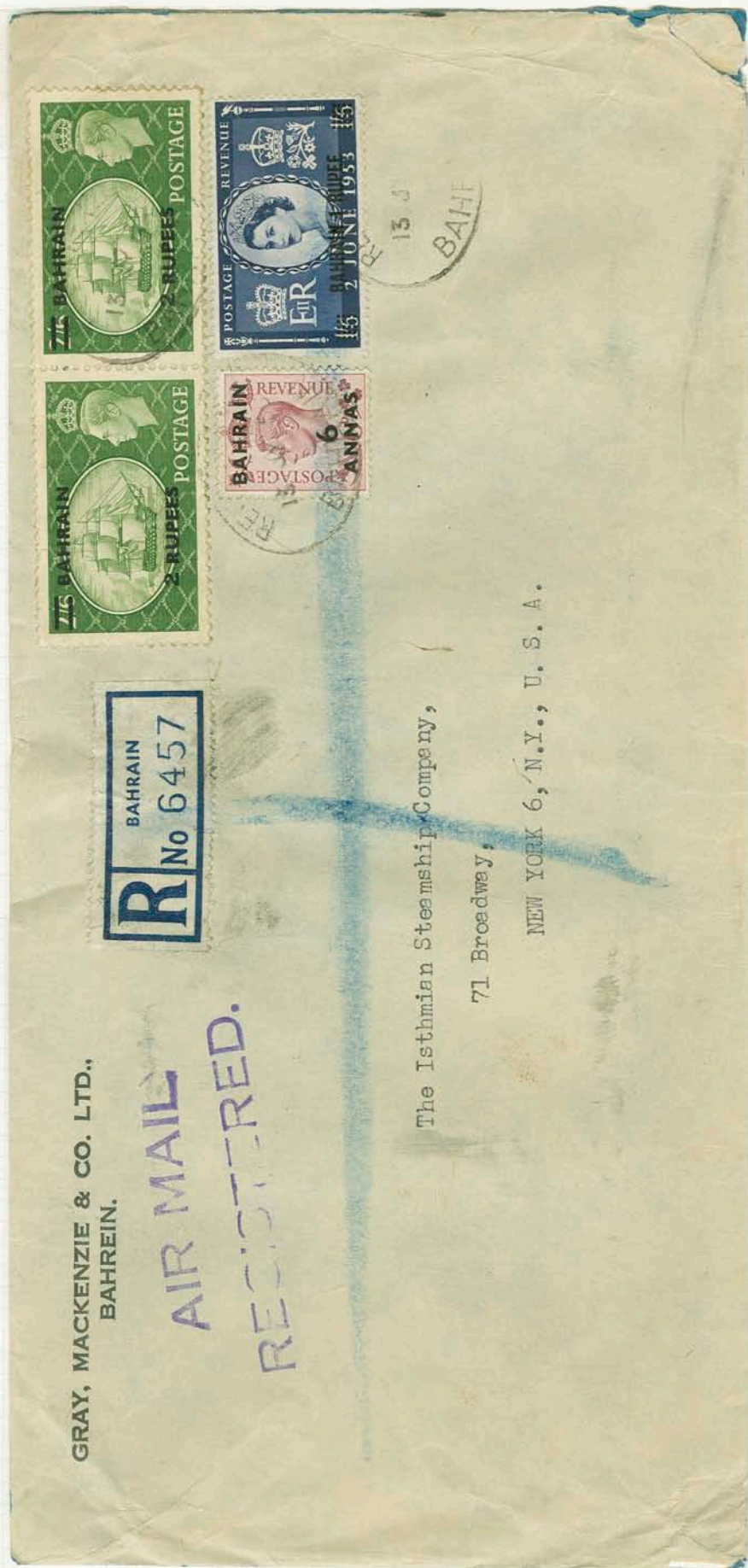
1953, Coronation Air Letter to Canada and regular issue from Awali to England. Scarce commercial usages.





# Bahrain

1953, KG VI 2 Rs. (pair),  
6 As. and QE II Jubilee 1 R. on  
registered airmail cover  
containing shipping documents  
from Bahrain (13.7)  
to New York (arr. 15.7 on reverse).  
A very high and  
exceptional 5 Rs. 6 As. rate.





# Bahrain

*1953-55, G. VI 2R. Harrison Printings*

*1953 2R, surcharge Type II, used block of four with Registered Bahrain datestamp of 1954. Extremely scarce block.*



*1955: 2R, surcharge Type III with thinner letters and 16mm gap, rejoined block of three, fine used with a violet Bahrain Parcel Post cancellation not recorded by Donaldson or Jones.*





# Bahrain

1953, Coronation issue mixed frankings.

Pair of airmail covers from Bahrain to England, one with Coronation 4 As. overprinted "BAHRAIN" and G.VI 2 As., the other with Coronation 4 As. overprinted "Value only" (for use in Dubai and Muscat) mixed with QEII BAHRAIN 2 As.





# Bahrain

1953, Registered "Sample of No Commercial Value" to Sweden, with Swedish customs handstamp (= "Customs processing at place of delivery"), franked with Bahrain 1A. mixed with Kuwait Coronation 2 ½ As. and 12 As.



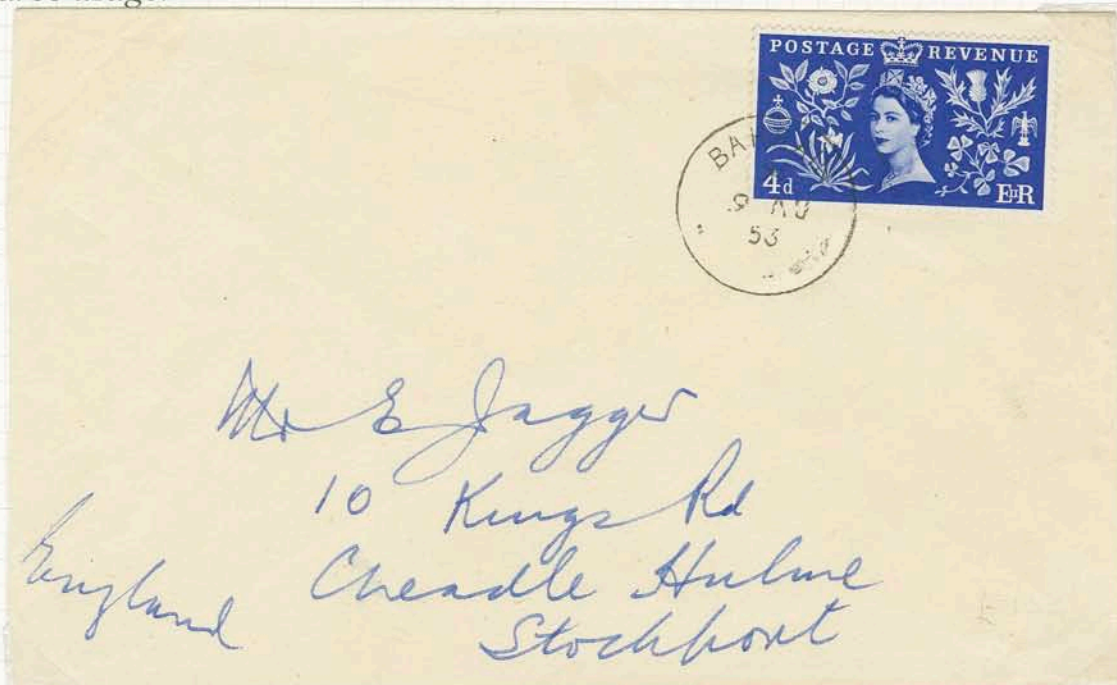
*A remarkable sample post usage with a most unusual mixed franking to a rarely seen destination!*



# Bahrain

1953, England Coronation 4d. used in Bahrain (9.8) on cover to Stockport.

A very scarce usage.



1960, 50 NP. pair on commercial registered cover from Manama (27.4) via Safat (28.4) to Ahmadi/ Kuwait (30.4) with transit and arrival marks on reverse.

Scarce inter-Gulf mail.

**AIR MAIL  
REGISTERED.**



The Chief Engineer,  
The Kuwait Oil Company, Ltd.,  
Mena-al-Ahmadi,  
K U W A I T.





# Bahrain

1953, Coronation 12 Annas to England.

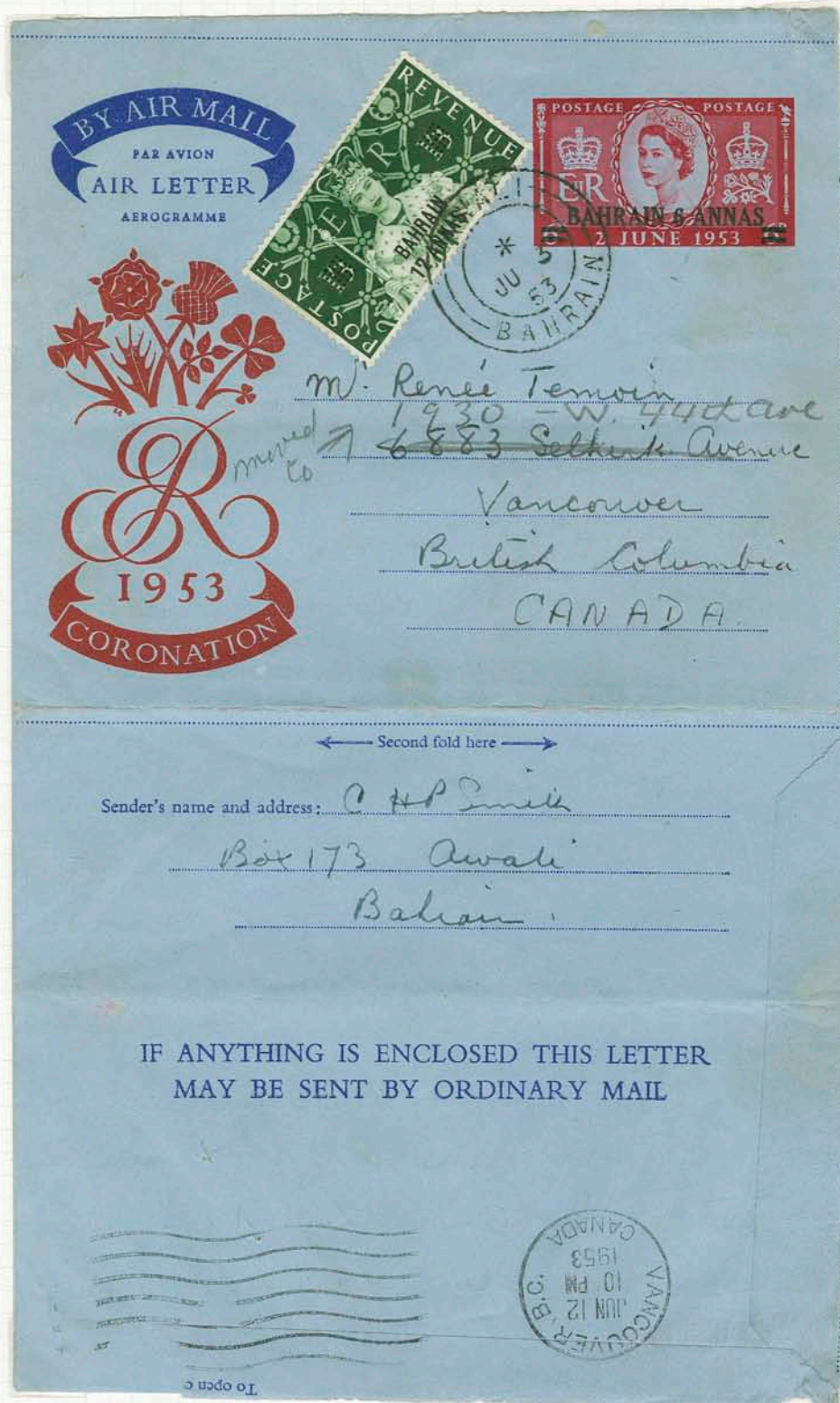
Registered airmail cover from the "Political Agency, Bahrain" to London, franked with the "Value only" 12 As. which was issued for Dubai and Muscat but also valid in Bahrain and "BAHRAIN/ 12 ANNAS" on a double rate airmail cover.





# Bahrain

1953, Coronation Air Letter 6 As., uprated with 12 As., presumably to pay for enclosure, used from Awali (3.6) to Vancouver (10.6) with interesting contents about local life. A scarce rate and destination.





# Bahrain

1953, KG VI 2 Rs. strip of 3 with QE II Coronation 12 As. pair on parcel piece, with customs label, cancelled with the rare large boxed parcel postmark, used one year earlier than recorded.





# Bahrain

1953 (ca.), Maritime Mail.

Bahrain 2 ½ As. tied by undated "Post Office Maritime Mail" cancellation on cover to England. Such mail was despatched by the Bahrain Petroleum Company and handed to the Master of tankers or naval vessels returning from the Gulf. A rare usage.





## *Bahrain*

1951, registered cover with 12 As. (= rate to UK), taxed "T48c" (UPU), converted to 40 Swiss cents and 1969, 20 F. On airmail cover, taxed 1,35 Fr.



REGISTERED

Messrs. S. Kocher & Co.,  
Grenchen (Switzerland).

BY AIR MAIL  
PAR AVION

BAHRAIN  
5021

BY AIR MAIL  
PAR AVION



15/07

M/s. S. Kocher & Co.,  
2540 Grenchen  
Switzerland.



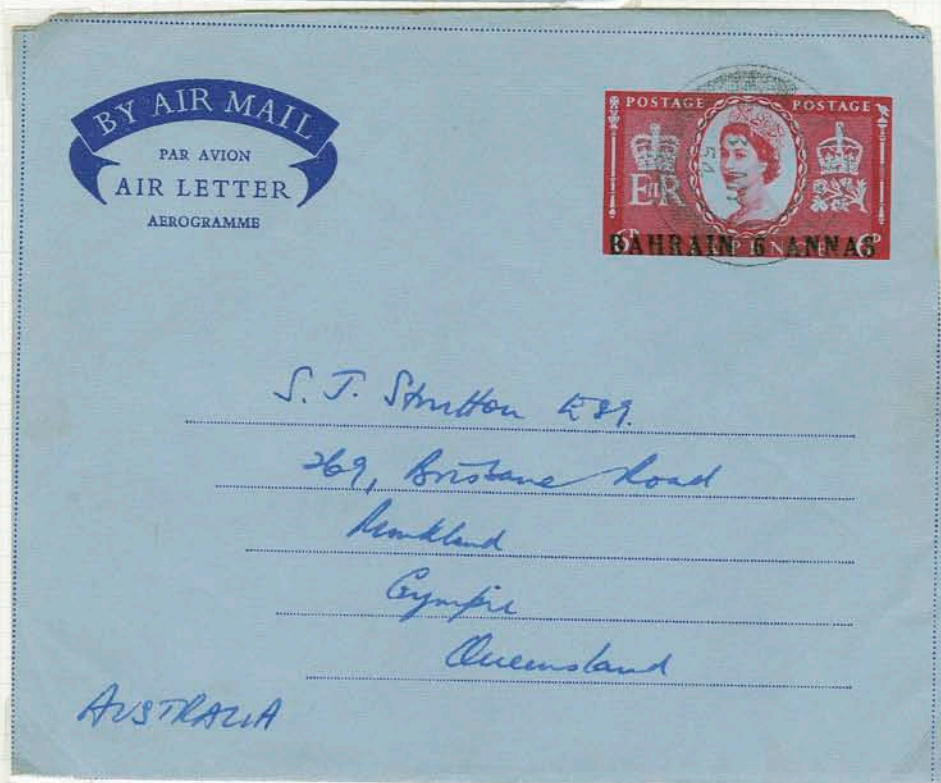
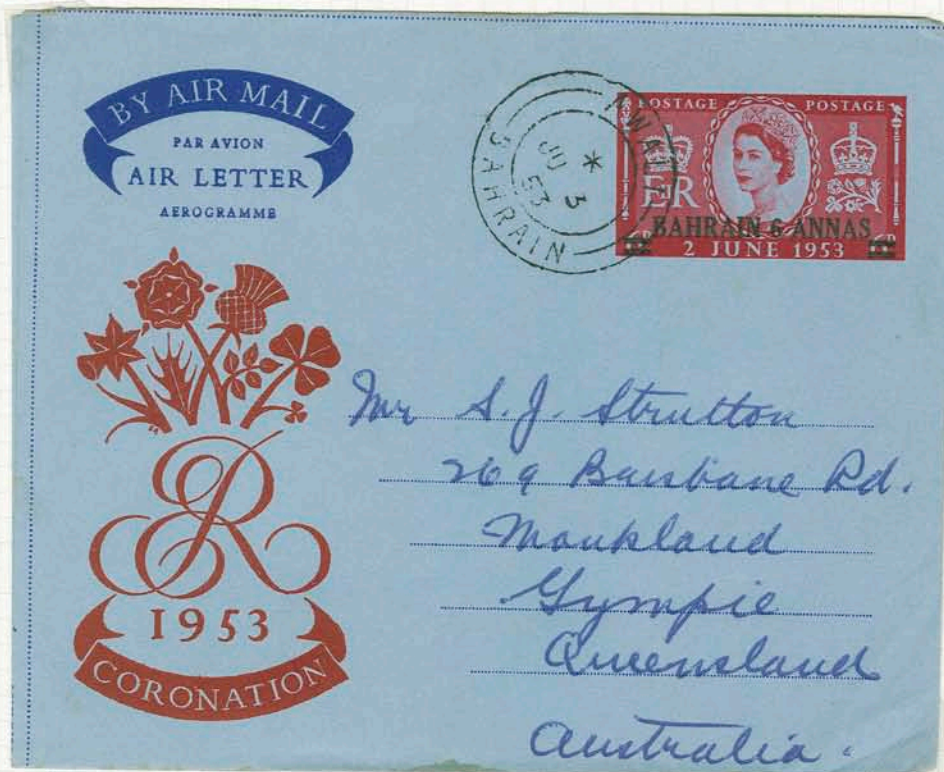
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البحرین

**MIRZA ALI JAWAHERY & SONS**  
Government Road,  
**BAHRAIN**



# Bahrain

1953 – 54, Air Letters 6As., both commercially used to Australia, one from Awali.  
A scarce destination.

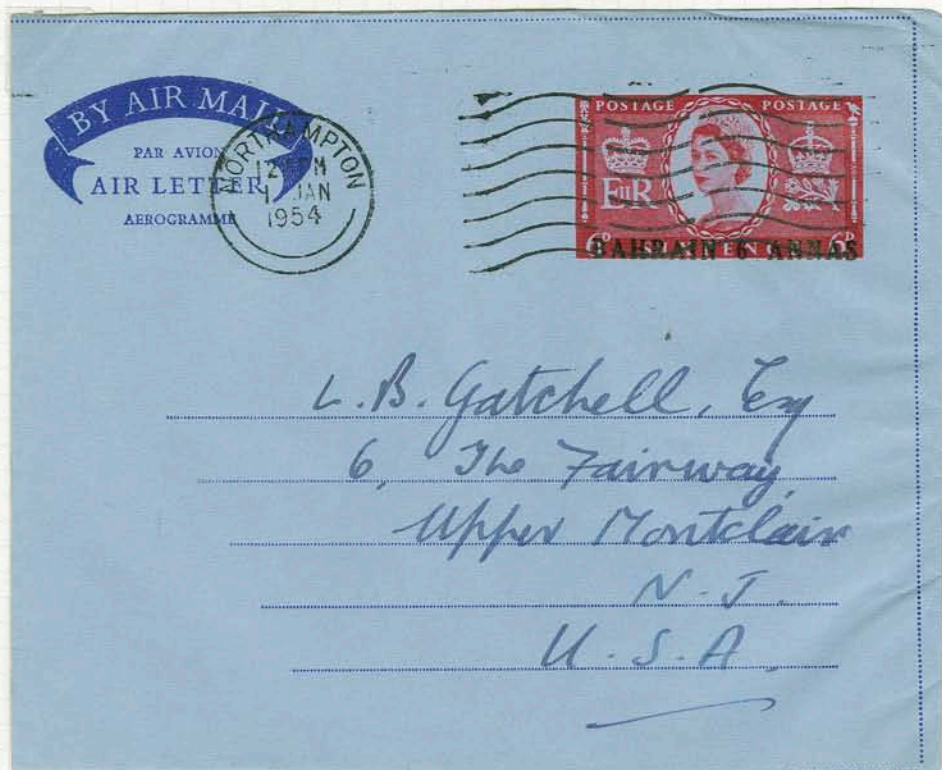
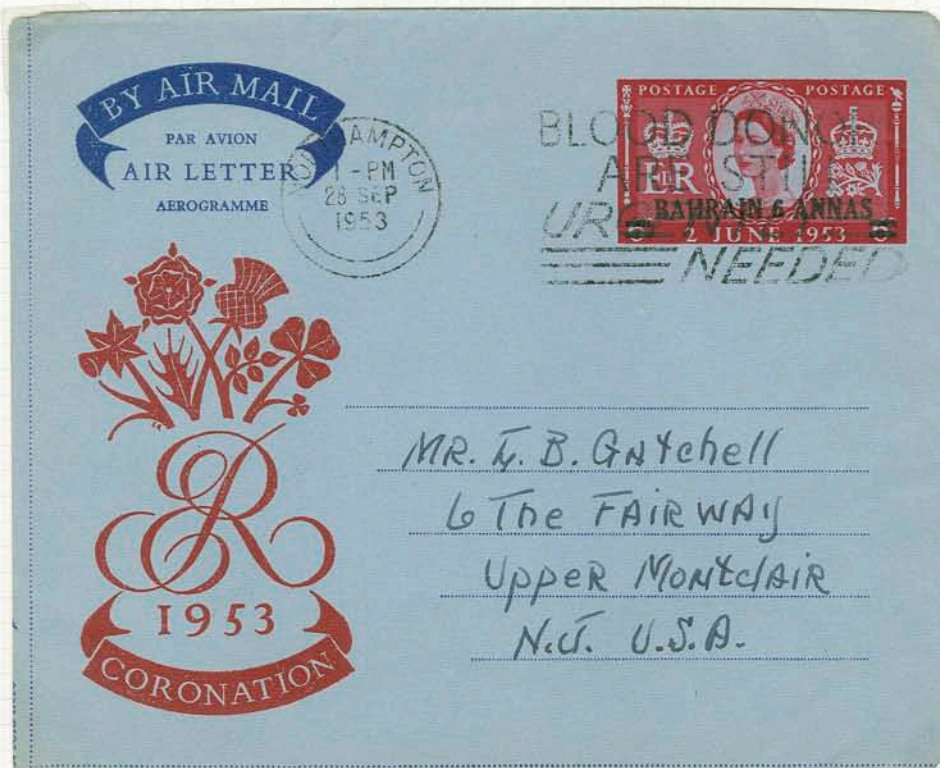




# Bahrain

1953 – 54, pair of Air Letters commercially used from England to USA.

Very scarce examples of "Bahrain used abroad", ex Kasper collection.





# Bahrain

1953, the  $\frac{1}{2}$  A. on  $\frac{1}{2}$  d. Error " $\frac{1}{2}$  omitted" in block of four and plate number block of nine.





# Bahrain

1953, the  $\frac{1}{2}$  A. on  $\frac{1}{2}$  d error "  $\frac{1}{2}$  omitted".

On 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  As. local rate covers from Muharrag (21.11) and Bahrain Head P.O. (18.12.)





No. 35839

**The British Philatelic Association, Ltd.**  
**EXPERT COMMITTEE**

3 BERNERS STREET

LONDON, W.1

6.2.1959.

*The Committee is of the opinion that the*

*Bahrain. 1952-4. ½ A on ½ D. variety*

*"½" omitted (SG. 80a) on cover*

*with 1A. is genuine.*



*Reasons*  
*As per letter*  
*Arthur E. J. Ginn*

*This opinion is given subject to the conditions  
printed on the back hereof.*



# Bahrain

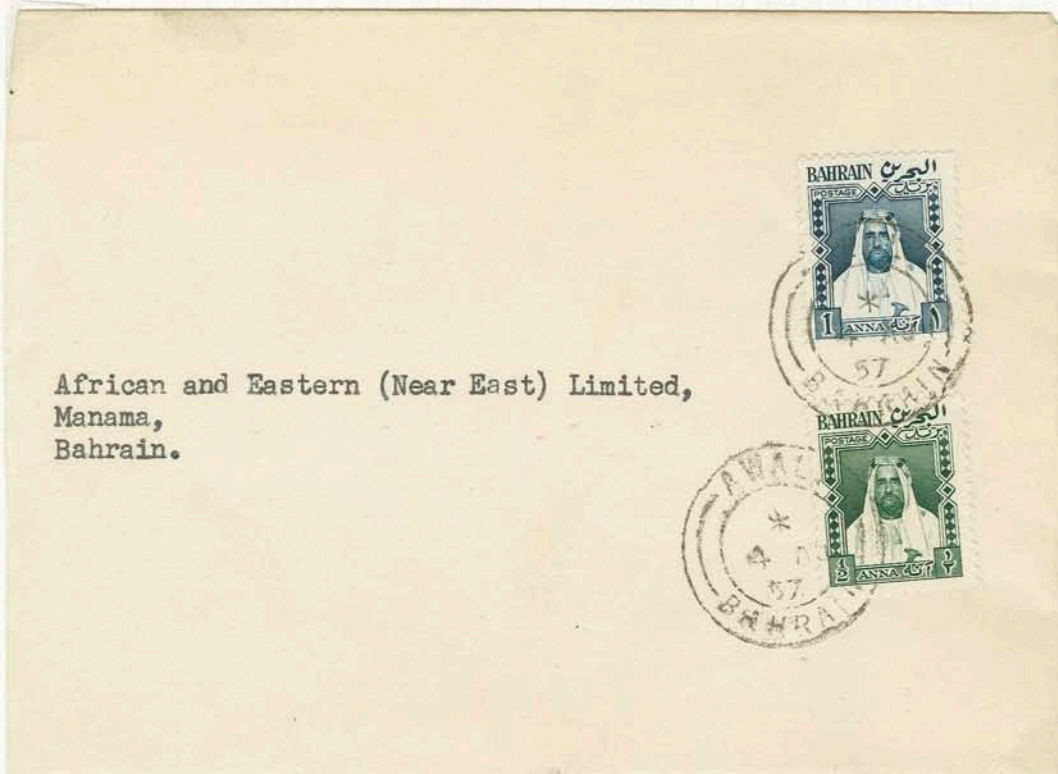
1953, cover from Awali (7.3), franked G. VI 1As. (late usage) and sent overland to England. The cover received the Bahrain "T" mark and manuscript "7 c." in error which was deleted by a "dumb" canceller. The rare Bahrain "T" mark is distinctive in that the circle is straightened at top right.





# Bahrain

1953, Local issue 1/2A. and 1A. on cover from Awali (4.8.57) to Manama( (arr. cds. on reverse) and 1 1/2As. in plate block of 12 on local cover from Bahrain to Awali, cancelled 2.3.53 (13 days before the official date of issue!)

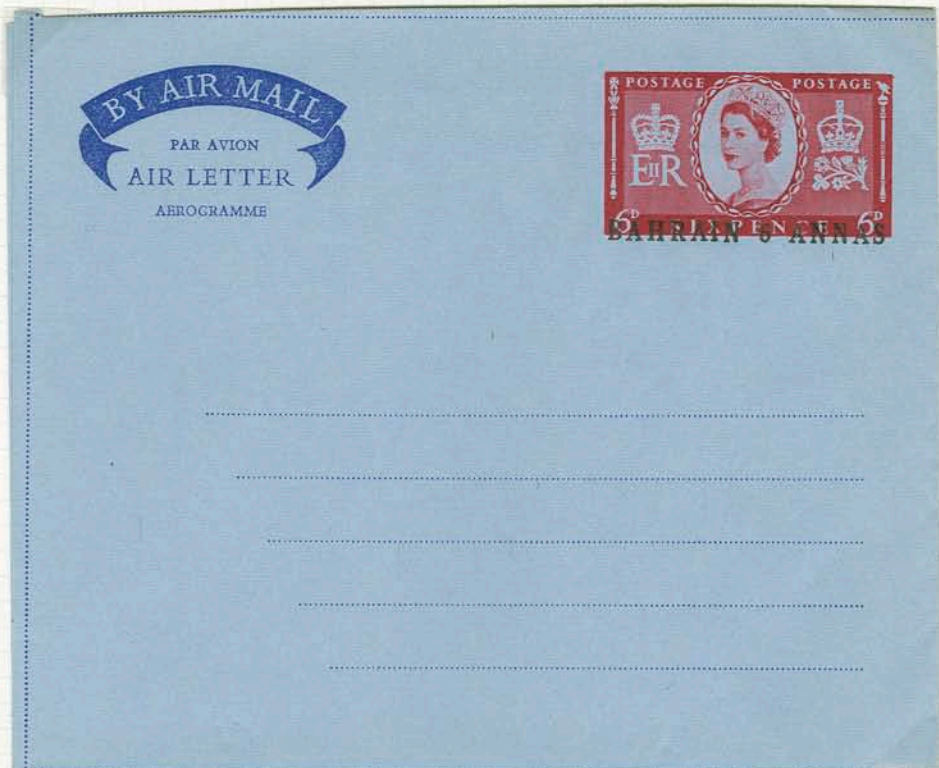




# Bahrain

1954, Air Letter 6 Annas with the overprint shifted up and down.

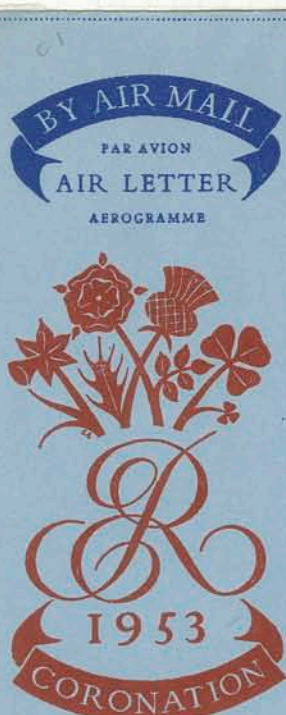
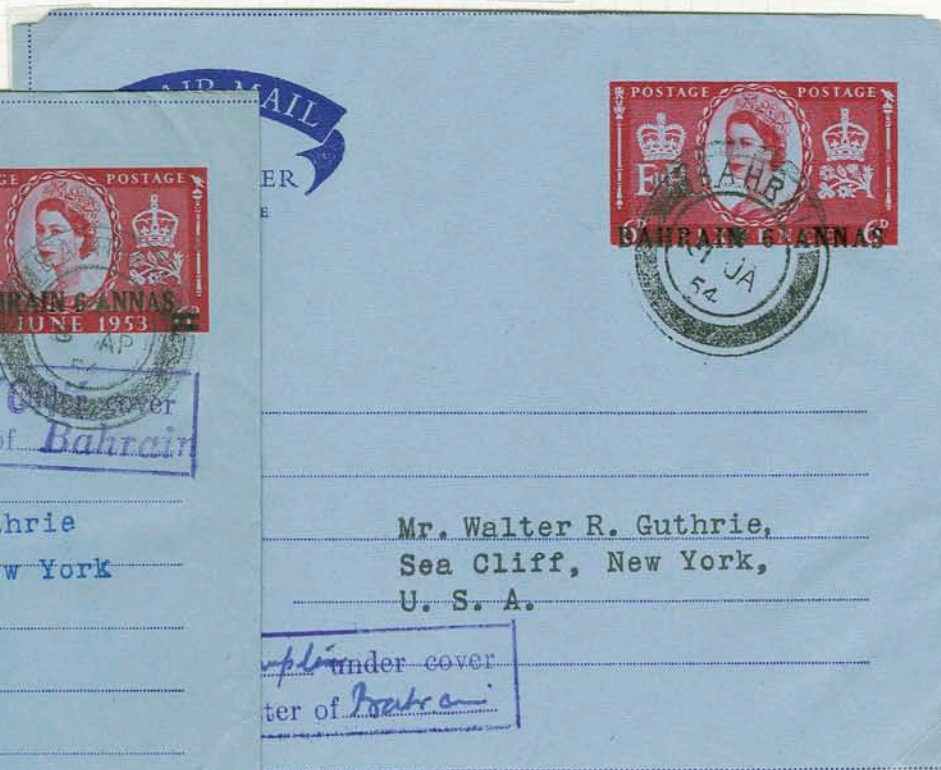
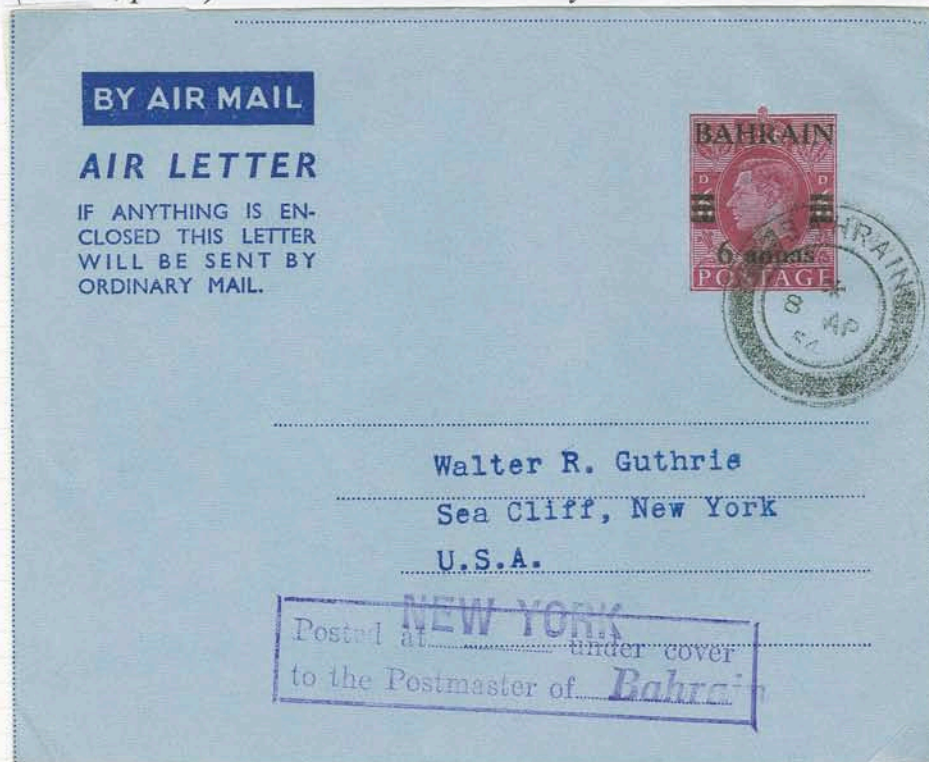
Very scarce varieties, ex Kasper collection.





# Bahrain

1953 - 54, pair of Air Letters KG VI and QE II Coronation from Bahrain to USA, both with the cachet "Posted at New York under cover to the Postmaster of Bahrain" on the front. Jones (Vol. 4, p. 17) records this cachet only with "Bahrain" inserted by hand.

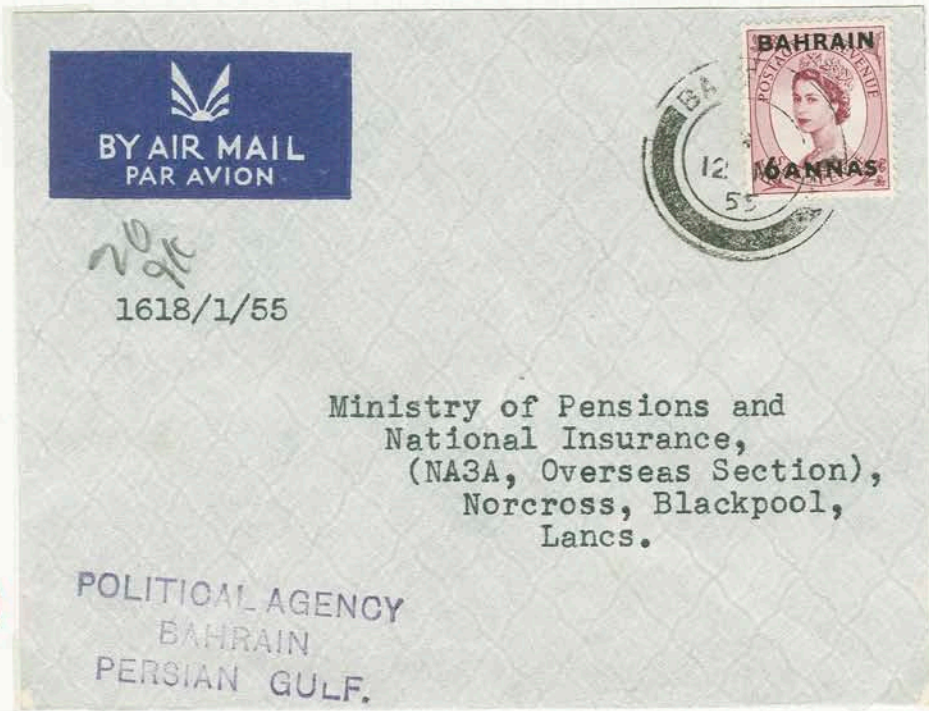


Walter R. Guthrie  
Sea Cliff, New York  
U.S.A.



# Bahrain

1955-65, pair of covers from the Political Agency, franked QE II 6 As. and Emir 40 NP., with different cachets.





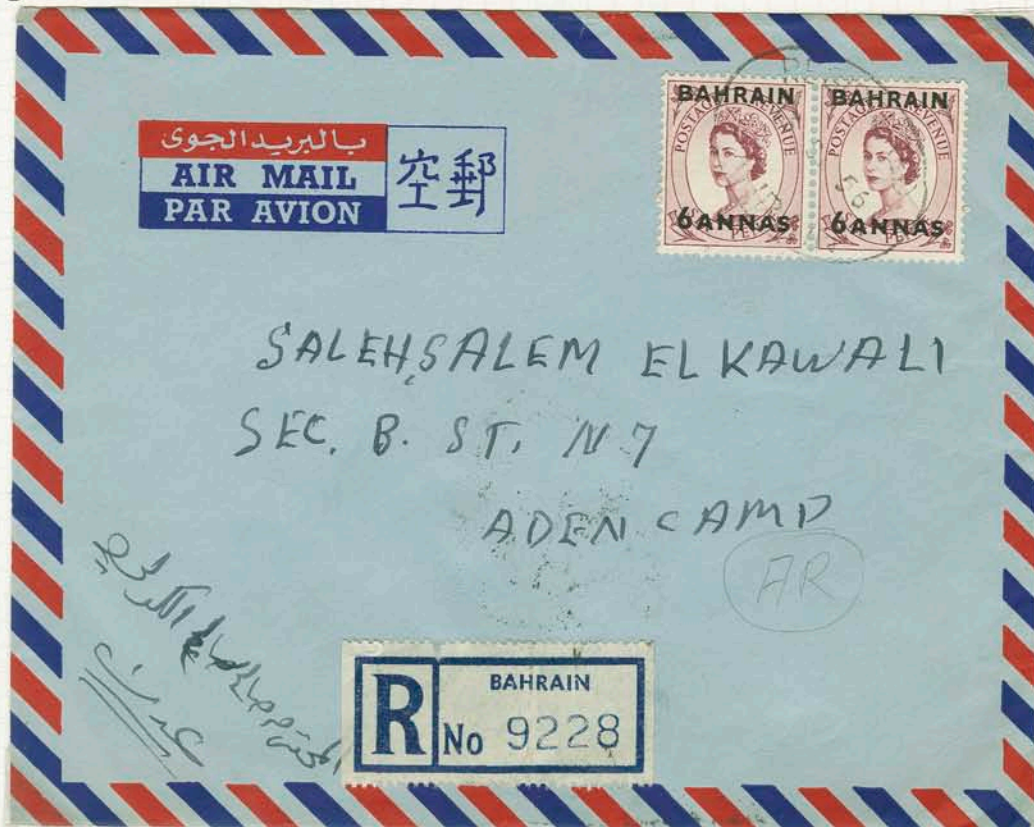
# Bahrain

1956, regional rates.

3 ½ As. Airmail to Dubai.



12 As. registered "AR" to Aden





# Bahrain

1955, "BAHRAIN/ ½ A./ PAID" cds in red on cover used locally and then uprated with 6 As. and sent from Awali to England. Unrecorded. This mark is only recorded by Donaldson in violet with "5 NP" inserted and used 1963-68.





# Bahrain

1955-56, FPO 551.

Pair of covers to England franked with the Forces Mail 2 ½ As. airmail rate, both cancelled FPO 551, one with 5x1/2 A. "Value only" overprints, indicating it may have come from Sharjah or Oman.





# Bahrain

1955, registered cover franked with the 1953 Local Issue 1 ½ As. (5) to the Awali Cinema, tied by "REGISTERED/ BAHRAIN" (Don. Type 27).

"Only three local covers have been recorded using the registered mail service" (T.E. Jones, vol. 1, p.22)

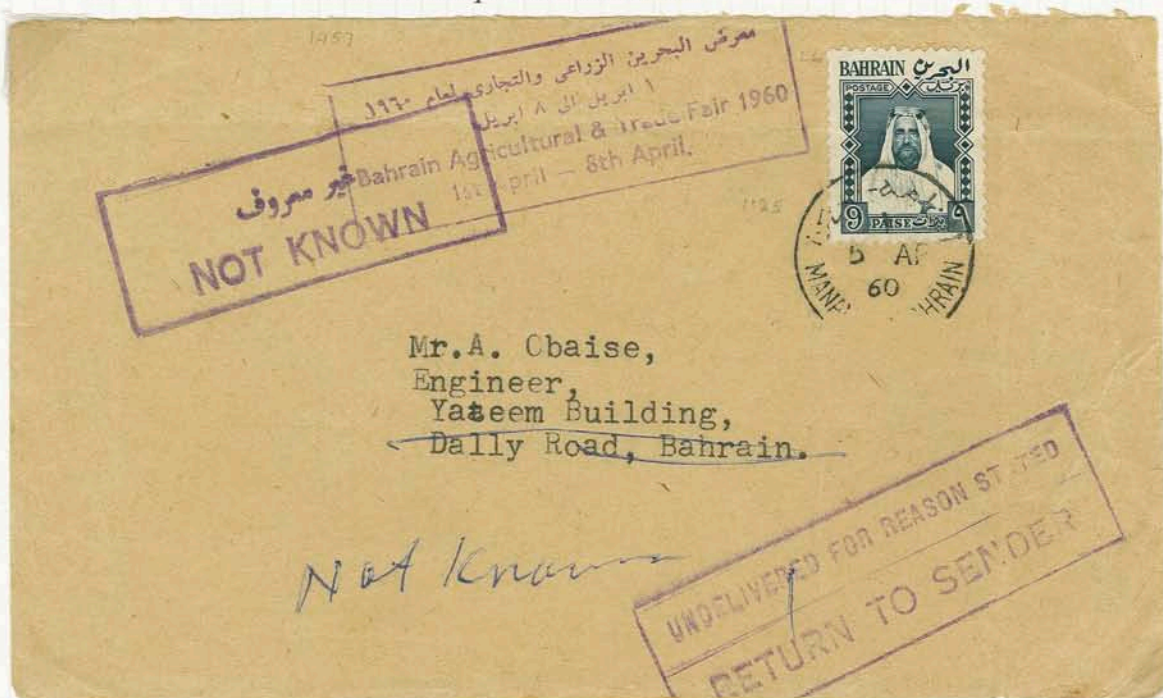




# Bahrain

1957, the second local issue.

9 Ps. on local cover from Awali (5.460), with framed "UNDELIVERED..." and bilingual "NOT KNOWN" etc., both very rarely seen, and airmail cover to Switzerland with 3 local stamps invalidated.





# Bahrain

1956-57, 1 Rupee DOUBLE OVERPRINT

"Only a very few copies are known". (Donaldson Handbook)

No. 79385



The  
**British Philatelic Association**  
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EXPERT COMMITTEE  
London - England

22 MAY 1976

The Committee is of the opinion that the



BAHRAIN 1956-57 R1 on 1/6 grey-blue  
of Great Britain Wmk Multiple Cypher and St.  
Edward's Crown Perf 15x14, overprint and  
surcharge double, Used (S.G. 101a) is genuine.



*Michael Lee*  
*for the Committee*

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In our opinion

Colour reproduction is subject to variation

**Country:** Bahrain

**Description:**

SG 101a 1957 1r on 1/6d grey-blue with surcharge double, used with light CDS, is genuine.



**Signed:**

*Richard Payne* - *SM Babbington*

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# Bahrain

No 20441.

**DAVID BRANDON**

EXPERT COMMITTEE

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Date 24-2-1997...

The Committee is of the opinion that the

*British Postal Agencies in Eastern  
Arabia. 1957 (February). Airmail  
envelope from Bahrain to Qatar  
bearing 1½a. on 1½d. green of Great  
Britain, Wmk. St. Edward's Brown  
(pair) and ½a. on ½d. orange-red  
(S.G. 43, 58a (pair)) is genuine.*

1956, 'Value  
only', 1 ½ A. on  
1 ½ P.,  
watermarked St.  
Edward's  
Crown

The unique pair  
on cover from  
Bahrain to  
Doha

(Donaldson  
Handbook  
p.193)



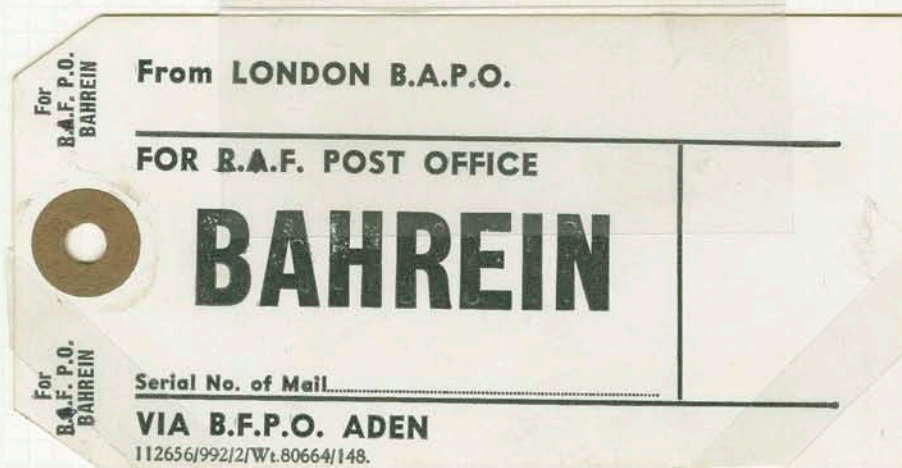


# Bahrain

1958, First Flight cover from Liechtenstein (29.10) to Bahrain (arr. cds. Type 29 on reverse). A rare origin.



1962, parcel label printed 'FOR R.A.F. POST OFFICE, BAHRAIN' and 'VIA B.F.P.O. ADEN' dated in manuscript 18/9/62. A scarce survival.





## Bahrain

1958, Local Issue 9P.

*used locally*

from Awali (22.1) to

*Manama, then*

*re-directed* (23.1) to

*England, with the boxed*

"T/ P.G." (*Tax/ Persian*)

*Gulf)*



Redirected

T  
P.G.

D Herbert Esq,  
% Abu Dhabi Ma  
Box 331,  
~~Marama~~  
Marama.

% Mrs High Holborn  
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U.K.

THE ~~BAHRAIN~~ PETROLEUM COMPANY LIMITED,  
AWALI, ~~BAHRAIN~~, PERSIAN GULF.

40/100000 Red, Red Brown  
 90/100000 High Red Brown  
 100/100000 London B. C. 1.  
 11. 11.

*A rare  
handstamp  
and usage.*



# Bahrain

1958, unusual frankings from Awali.

160 NP. 2<sup>nd</sup> class airmail wrapper to USA, with cds Donaldson T.24.



40 NP. to Lebanon, made up of blocks of 1 NP. and 9 NP. (Donaldson T.25).





# Bahrain

1958, 20 NP. airmail rate to Gaza.

QEII, 1 NP.(2), 3 NP., 6 NP. and 9 NP. on censored cover from Bahrain (18.3) via Cairo (22.3) and Gaza City (24.3) to Khan Younis (25.3). A very scarce destination from this period.





# Bahrain

1959, sample post to Portugal,

40 NP. airmail rate.

Marked "contents: 1 cork".

Damaged in transit

and resealed

in London.



Dep. 187

London 20.07

Arr. 22.7

A no doubt  
unique usage!



# Bahrain

1958, QE II. 10 Rs. on registered parcel tags. Very scarce usages.

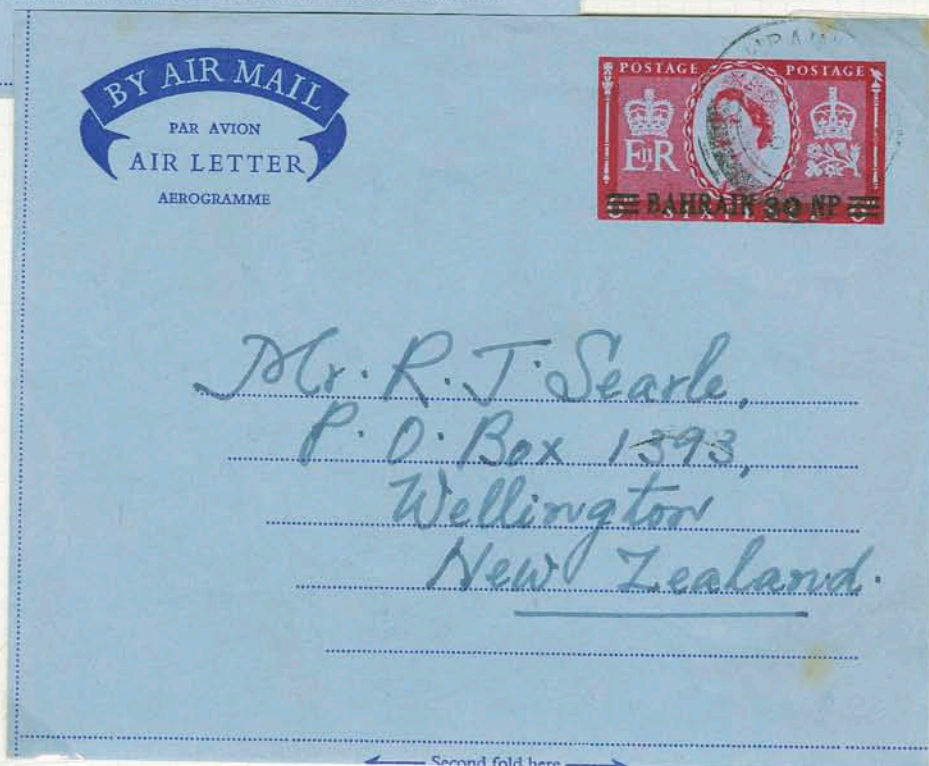
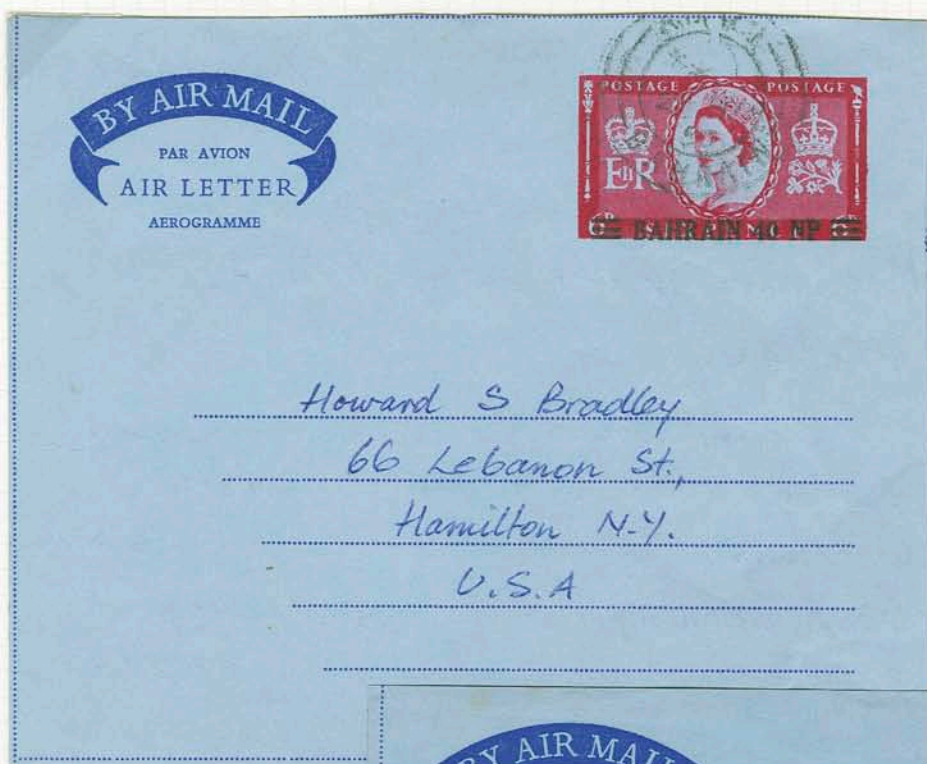




# Bahrain

1959, Air Letters in new currency.

40 NP to USA (May) and reduced rate 30 NP. to New Zealand (December).  
Scarce commercial usages.

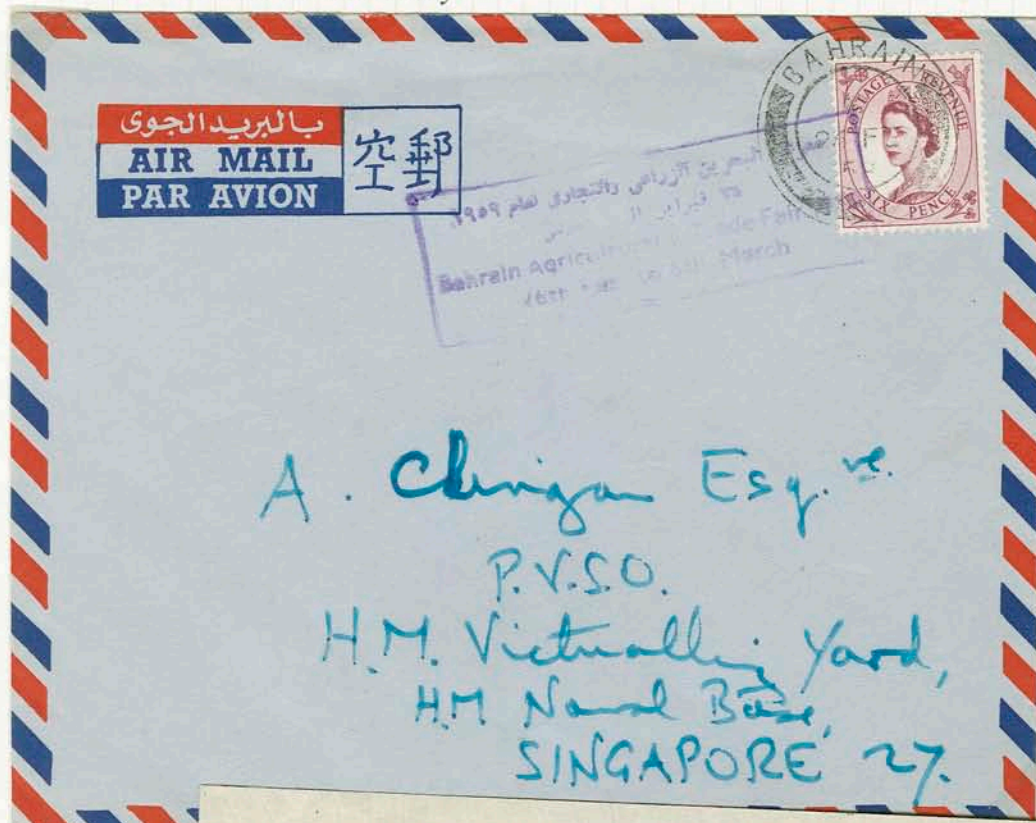




# Bahrain

1959-60, the Agricultural and Trade Fair.

1959 cachet on cover to Singapore, most unusually franked with un-overprinted GB 6d., postmarked Bahrain (24.2) and accepted despite not being valid, and 1960 cachet on cover to Germany.





# Bahrain

1960, 8 Rs. 80 NP. Registered airmail rate to India.

Heavy duty envelope sent by Yusuf Bin Ahmed Kanoo from the famous merchant family to Bombay, cancelled Don. T. 27 A., exceptionally franked with QEII 22x40 NP. The highest recorded commercial franking from the British P.O.

From: YUSUF Bin Ahmed Kanoo

BAHRAIN



Registered - AIR MAIL





# Bahrain

## 1960, POSTAL SUPERINTENDENT'S REGISTERED MAIL

Such mail was supposed to be franked with 'Value Only' overprinted stamps and cancelled by a Bahrain date stamp. The registration labels are inscribed Bahrain P.S. (Postal Superintendent). This letter unusually has no stamps or Bahrain canceller on the front, but is "sealed" by Bahrain "REGISTERED" datestamps (Don.T. 27) on the reverse and bears a straight line 'Postal Superintendent' in violet with 'Bahrain' added in blue ink.

Sent to Chepstow, UK (9.2) and re-directed.



*On Postal Service*



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~~Whitebrook,~~  
~~Chepstow,~~  
~~Monmouthshire,~~  
~~S. Wales,~~  
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# Bahrain

1959, unissued Petro-Chemicals set 25 NP. and 50 NP. and 1965, 5F. (2 different) and 1D. in unadopted designs, as contemporary photographs from the record books of the printers (Bradbury Wilkinson). A unique documentation, as the original artwork was destroyed. The 1959 set would have been the first issue after postal independence.



1964, 1 R. (2) and 5 R. (2) with subtle differences to the issued designs, including "POSTAGE" omitted (1 R.) and value denominations transposed (5 R.), as original photos from the printers' record books. Unique, as the artwork for the rejected designs was destroyed.



# Bahrain

1960, the unique 40 NP. typo die proof

*Mounted on a sunken card from the Printer's archives. The stamp was later printed by De La Rue in photogravure.*





# Bahrain

1960, 10 Sh. DE LA RUE on reg. parcel tag, with 40 NP. pair. This printing is not recorded used and this is the only known entire. A remarkable commercial usage.





# Bahrain

1960, 20 NP., 40 Np., 1R. and 2 Rs. on registered commercial cover from Manama (Don. Type 37) to Switzerland (dep. 10.5, arr. 13.5). A scarce high rate.



Registered



M/s. Brown Boveri & Co. Ltd.,  
Baden, Switzerland



# Bahrain

1961, 80 NP.

double rate

cover from Awali

(10.8) to London,

with mixed franking

Bahrain 1960, 5NP

and Qatar Scouts

1957, 75NP.



A very rare  
combination on a  
commercial  
cover.



## *Bahrain*

*1962, mixed franking to Pakistan.*

*Registered heavy weight cover from Bahrain (20.5) to Karachi (25.5), franked with Bahrain GVI 3 As., QE II 6 As., 12 As. and 1R. and New Currency 15 NP., mixed with "Value only" overprints 3 As., 12 As. and pair 15 NP. A very high and unusual 3 Rs. 70 NP. rate.*





# Bahrain

1960 (ca.), unissued Mosque design.

These were printed in Pakistan but never issued. One sheet of 10 F. and 2 sheets of 100 F. were part of the printer's archive sold in 2012.

Bahrain Mosque,  
10 F. and 100 F.





# Bahrain

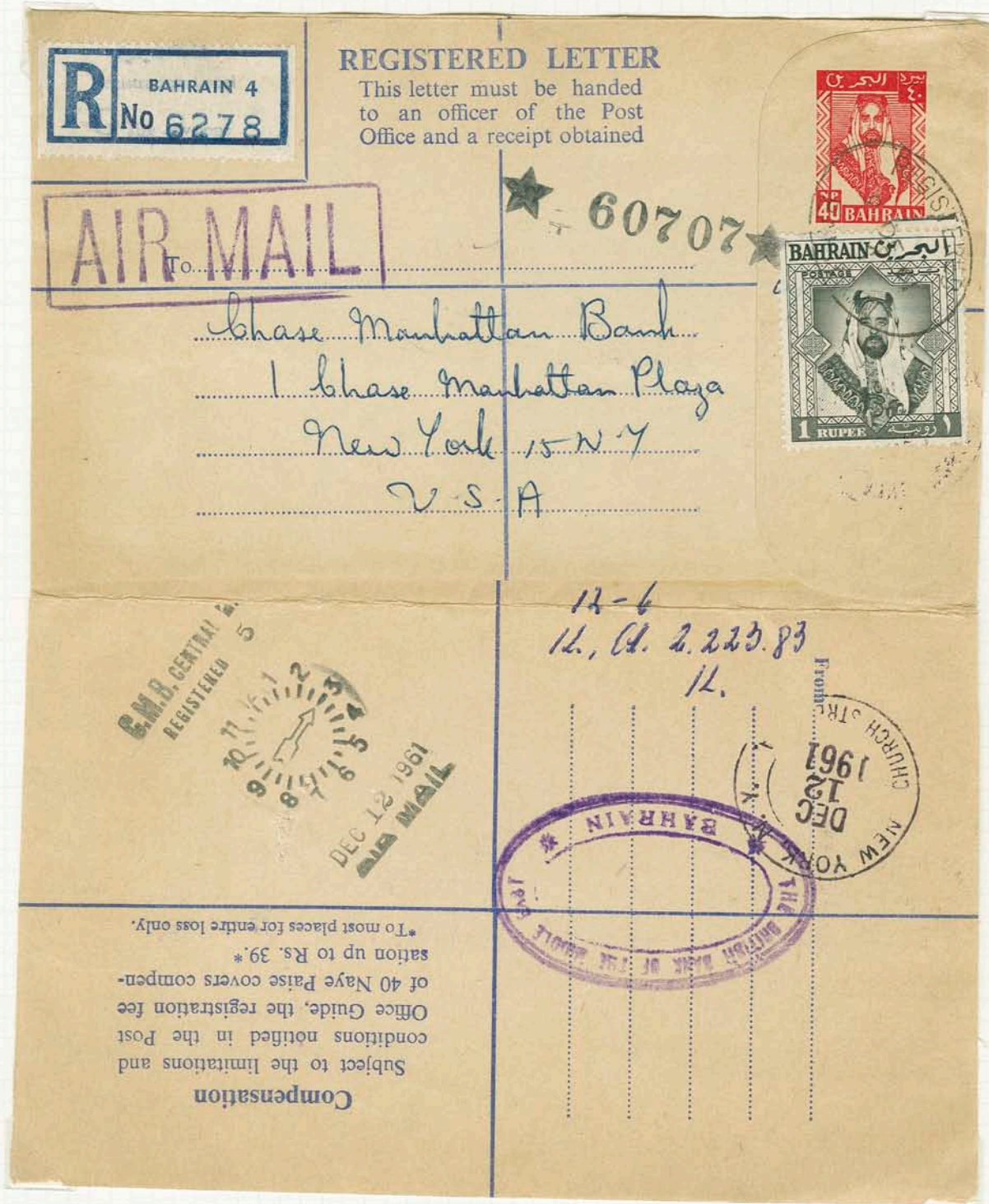
1961, registered envelope 40 NP. from Manama (28.5) to England, uprated 20 NP. pair and 40 NP. (1 D. 20. NP. rate).





# Bahrain

1961, Registered Postal Envelope 40 NP., uprated 1 R., from Bahrain (9.12) to New York (12.12).





# Bahrain

1963, airmail cover with unrecorded machine frank 0.40 R. from Manama (17.10) to Göteborg/ Sweden (21.10), and then forwarded to Sydney/ Australia!

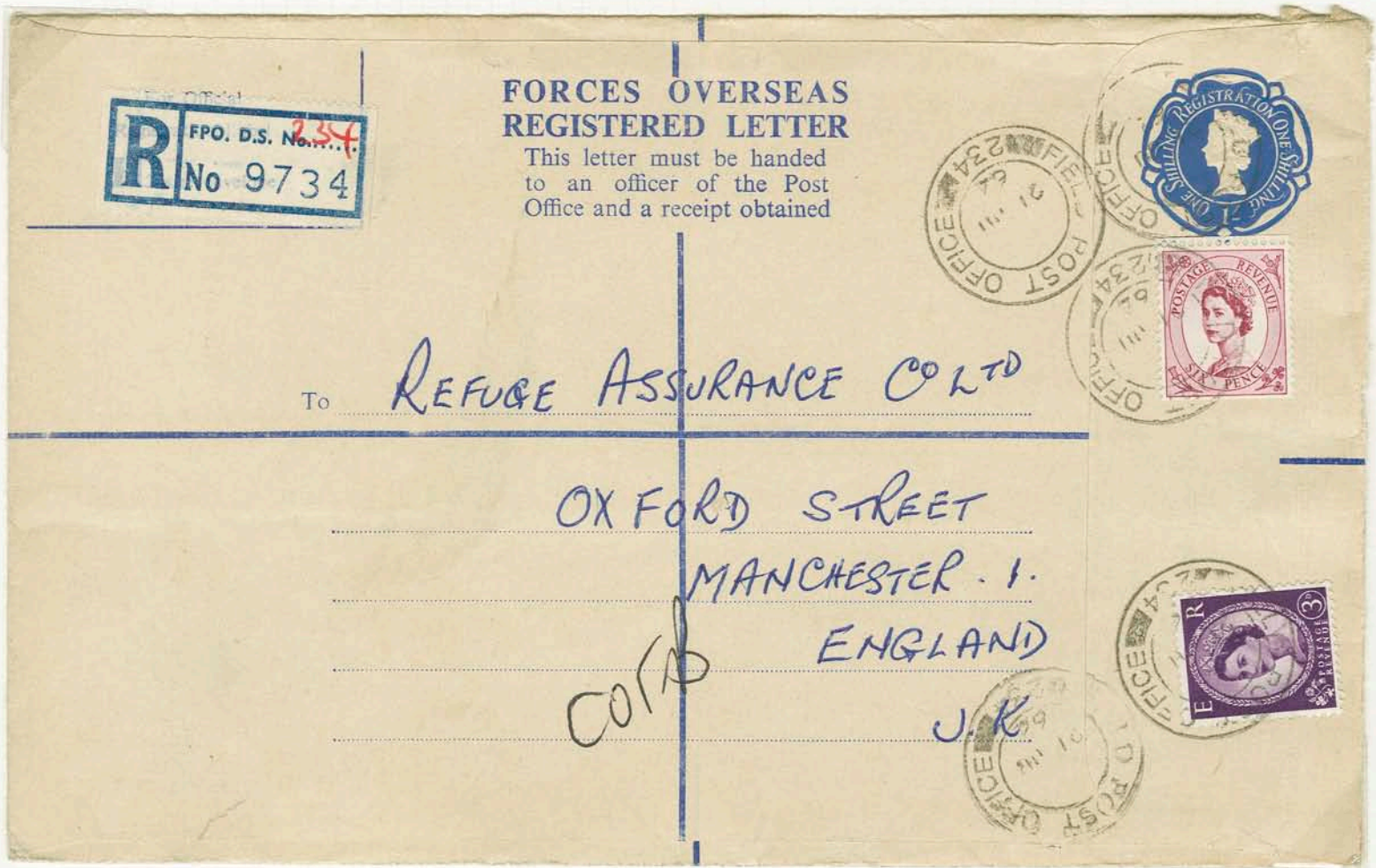




# Bahrain

1964, "FPO 234" registered field post.

British registered envelope (size H) 1 sh. with 3d. and 6d. added, with "Royal Air Force, Bahrain, BFPO 63" sender's address on reverse, but cancelled and provisional registration label FPO 234. This FPO was located in Egypt in 1953. Its 1963 location in Bahrain was previously unknown.





# Bahrain

Sender's name and address: .....

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AN AIR LETTER SHOULD NOT CONTAIN ANY  
ENCLOSURE ; IF IT DOES IT WILL BE SURCHARGED  
OR SENT BY ORDINARY MAIL.

← Second fold here →



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← First fold here →

→ To open cut here →



Sender's name and address:.....

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AN AIR LETTER SHOULD NOT CONTAIN ANY  
ENCLOSURE ; IF IT DOES IT WILL BE SURCHARGED  
OR SENT BY ORDINARY MAIL.

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To open cut here →



# Bahrain

1964 (29.2 – leap year) cover by  
airmail to Canada, with  
2 x 50 NP., and framed  
“O.A.S./ F.S.”  
(= Onward Air  
Transport/  
Foreign  
Service).



Mr. J. White,  
P. O. Box 249,  
Qualicum Beach,  
British Columbia,  
C A N A D A.

*Air mail*

*BP/16/2*

On reverse  
cachet of  
Bahrain State  
Police Department.  
The O.A.S. mark is  
rare from Bahrain.



# Bahrain

1964-66, undelivered mail from Germany.

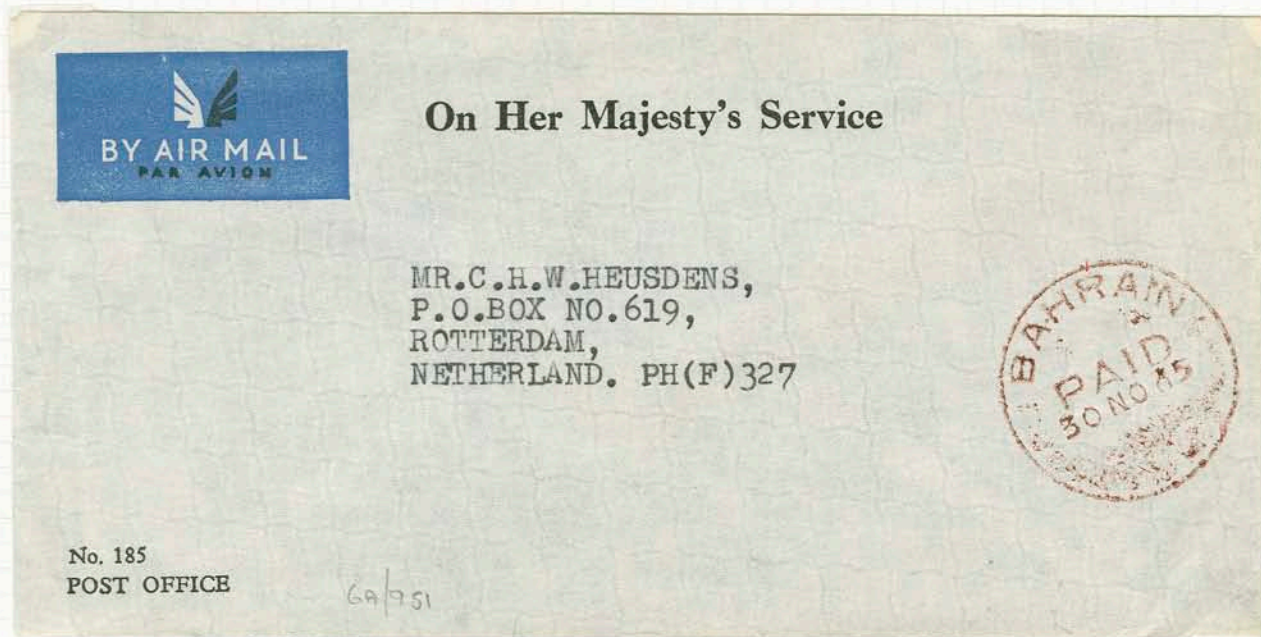
1964, cover from East Germany (45 Pfg. rate) with bilingual "INSUFFICIENTLY ADDRESSED" and 1966, registered cover from West Germany (110 Pfg. rate), both with the framed British type "UNDELIVERED..." marking.



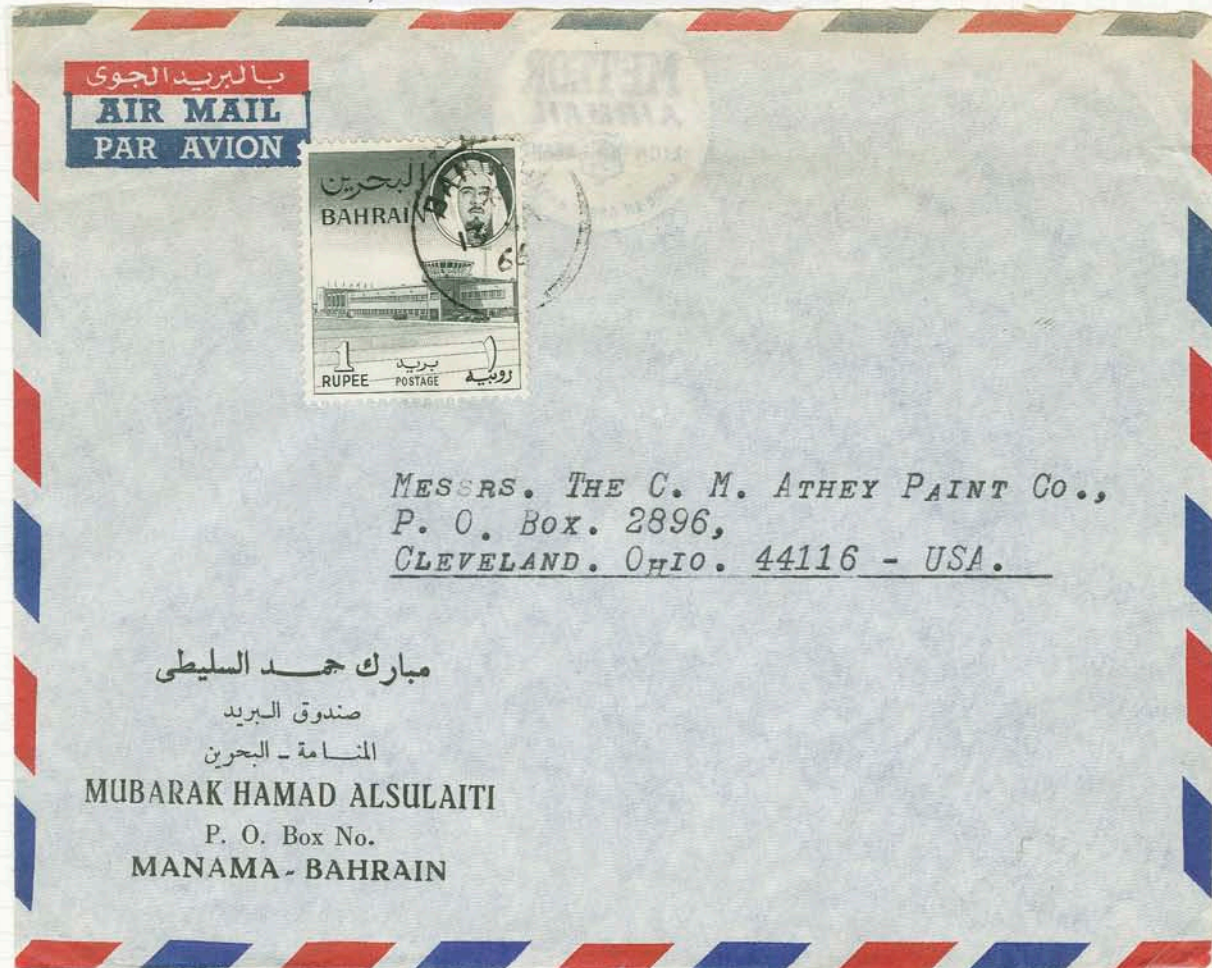


# Bahrain

1965, "BAHRAIN / PAID" (30.11) in violet (Don. Type 43, only recorded in black) on OHMS airmail cover to Holland.



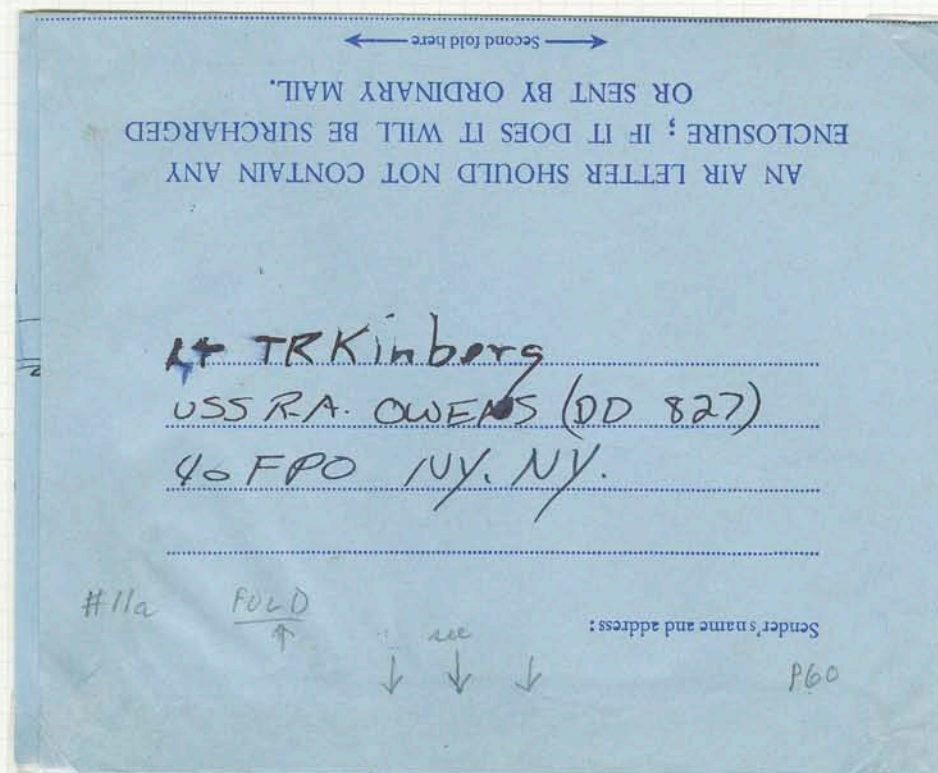
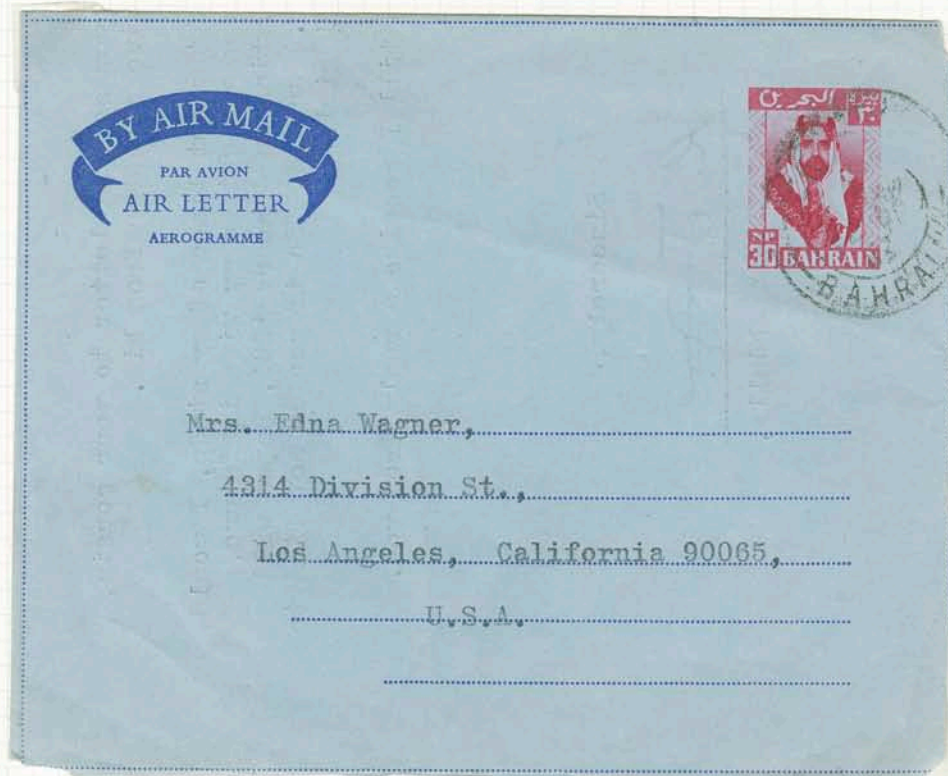
1966, 1 D. on airmail cover to USA.





# Bahrain

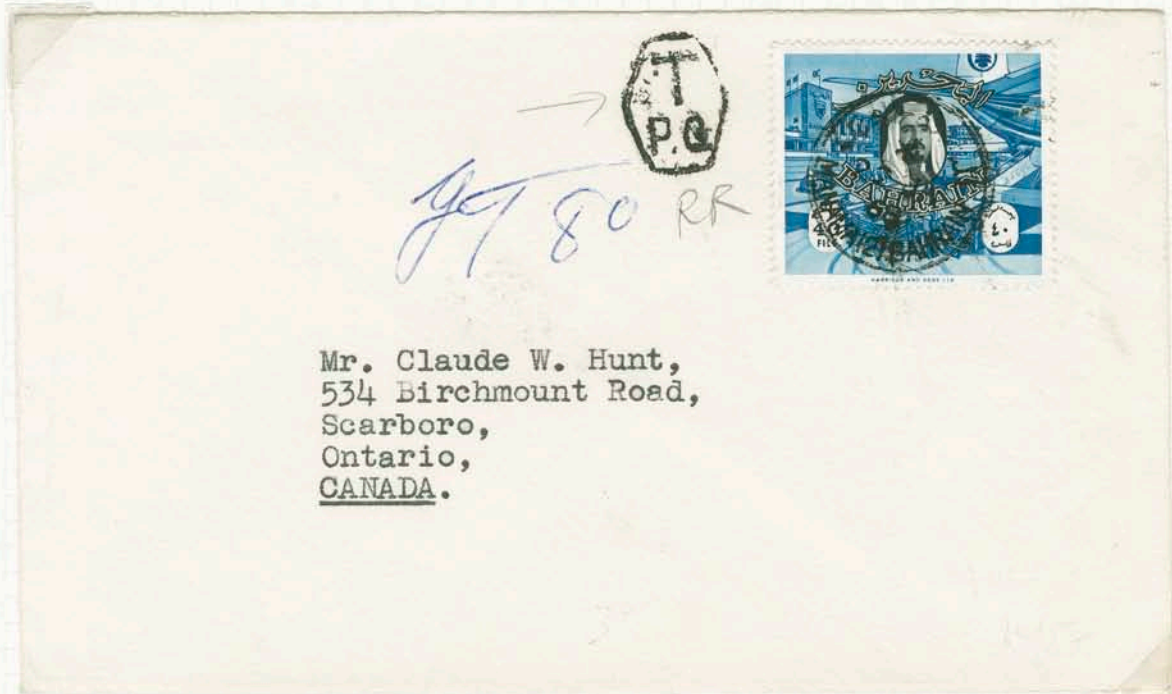
1963 - 68, pair of 30NP. Air Letters (1960 and 1964 issues) commercially used with Donaldson Type 21 and 24 cds, one from a sailor en route to Diego Suarez, the other asking for help in finding a "foreign girl-friend who might be my wife in the future".





# Bahrain

1968, underpaid cover to Canada with late use of the British PO "T/P.G." (Tax Persian Gulf) postage due mark and 1971, airmail cover from Bahrain (15.9) to England, misdirected to India with Bombay cds (17.9) on reverse and on the front framed "MALDIRIGE". Very rarely seen on mail from the Gulf.

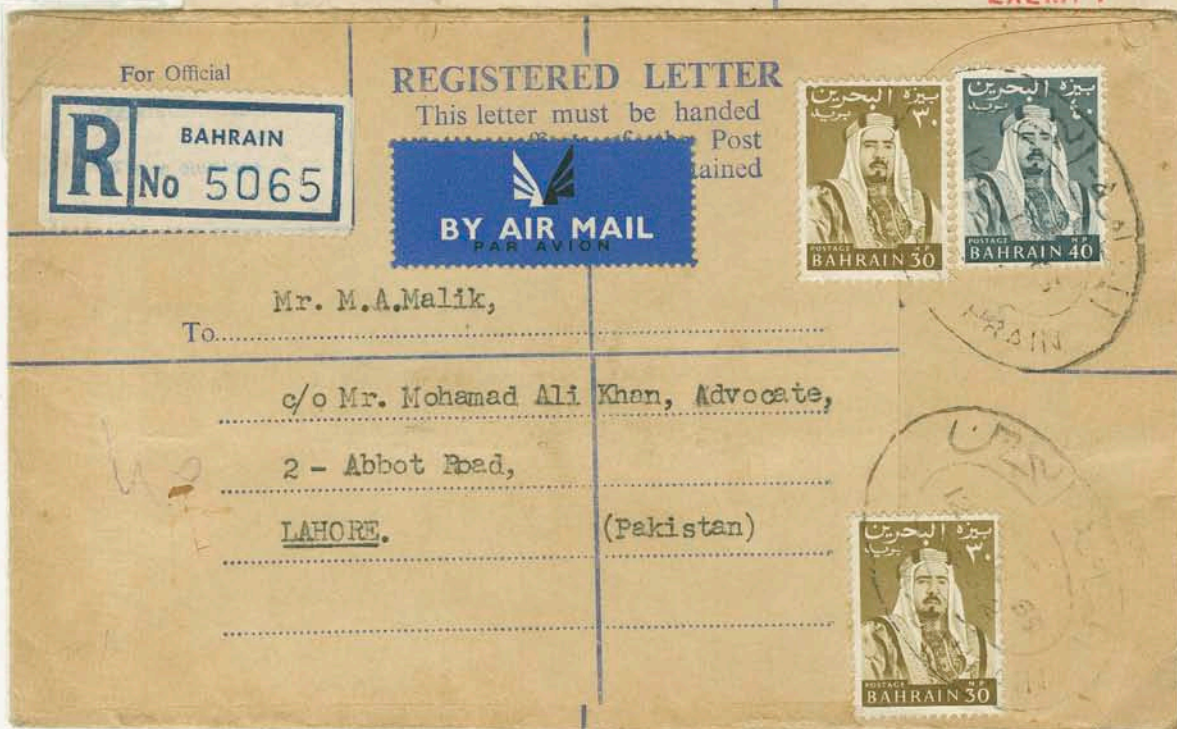




# Bahrain

1965-66, registered envelopes.

1965, 100 NP. airmail registered rate to Pakistan (1964 issue) and 1966, 160 Fils rate to Switzerland, with red "Exempt from customs" handstamp of Geneva. Both still using the British P.O. envelopes, registration labels and postmarks (Donaldson T.37).





# Bahrain

1968, re-directed mail  
from Fujeira (26.9) to  
Awali (2.10), forwarded  
to England with boxed  
“BAHRAIN / GONE  
AWAY”  
etc.



A rare marking.



# Bahrain

1969. De La Rue working photographic and painted Die Proof for 20F. value in yellow, blue & black, composite and imperforate on card. Unique. As SG 165.





# Bahrain

1970, Gulf Aviation First Flight, 30 F. and 60 F., imperforate proofs mounted on cards from the printers. Three sets known, of which this is the only one in private hands.



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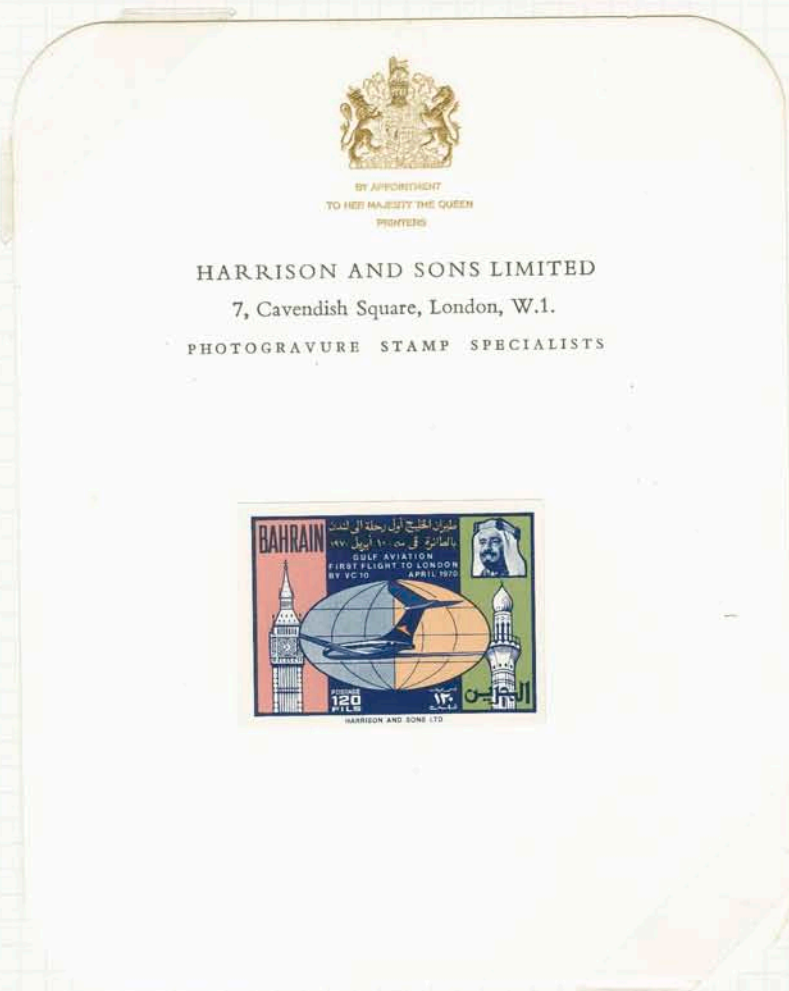


# Bahrain

1970, Gulf Aviation.

120 Fils imperforate proof on card from the printers.

The only example in private hands





# Bahrain

1971, Postal order "65 FILS" on 1Sh. with poundage fee 50F. on 20F. on 3d., unused, cancelled 20.3.71 with Donaldson T.21 cds with sans-serif "1" in place of an asterisk, which is only recorded by him from 1956-57.

Postal orders from the Gulf are extremely rare and not recorded by Donaldson. An example from Kuwait is illustrated by T.E. Jones (p.39), but none from Bahrain.

Not Negotiable SENDER MUST FILL IN PAYEE'S NAME (IN INK) BEFORE PARTING WITH ORDER **2B 012 433**

**BAHRAIN** **BRITISH POSTAL ORDER** To the Postmaster General

Pay the sum of **ONE SHILLING** **65 FILS** **1/-**

at \_\_\_\_\_ Post Office

within Six Calendar Months from the last day of the month of issue

For Regulations see back

RECEIVED the sum due

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

POSTAGE STAMPS not exceeding two: in number may be affixed here but not elsewhere  
(i) up to 5d. for orders up to 4s. 6d.  
(ii) up to 11d. for orders above 4s. 6d.  
Odd halfpennies are not permissible

Postmaster

ISSUING OFFICE **BAHRAIN** **1** **20 MAR 71** **WITH DATE**

Not Negotiable SENDER MUST FILL IN PAYEE'S NAME (IN INK) BEFORE PARTING WITH ORDER **2B 012 819**

**BAHRAIN** **BRITISH POSTAL ORDER** To the Postmaster General

Pay the sum of **ONE SHILLING** **65 FILS** **1/-**

at \_\_\_\_\_ Post Office

within Six Calendar Months from the last day of the month of issue

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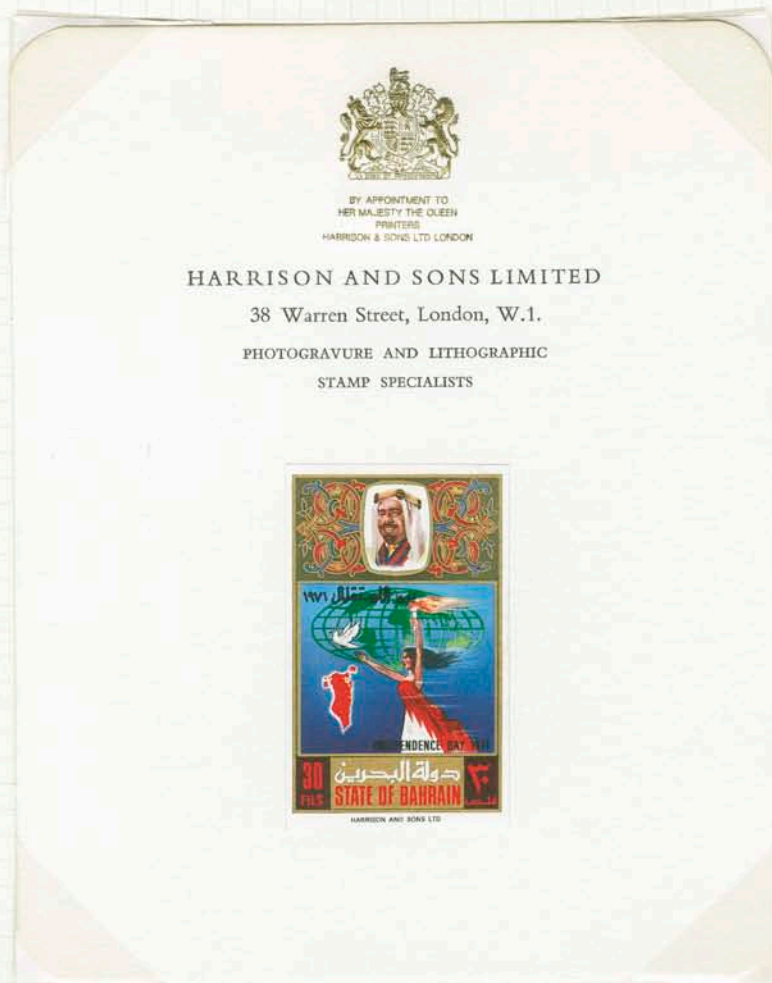
Postmaster

ISSUING OFFICE **BAHRAIN** **1** **28 OCT 71** **WITH DATE**



# Bahrain

*1971, Independence Day 30 fils in a rejected design with an inaccurate map of Bahrain on proof card. (3 known)*



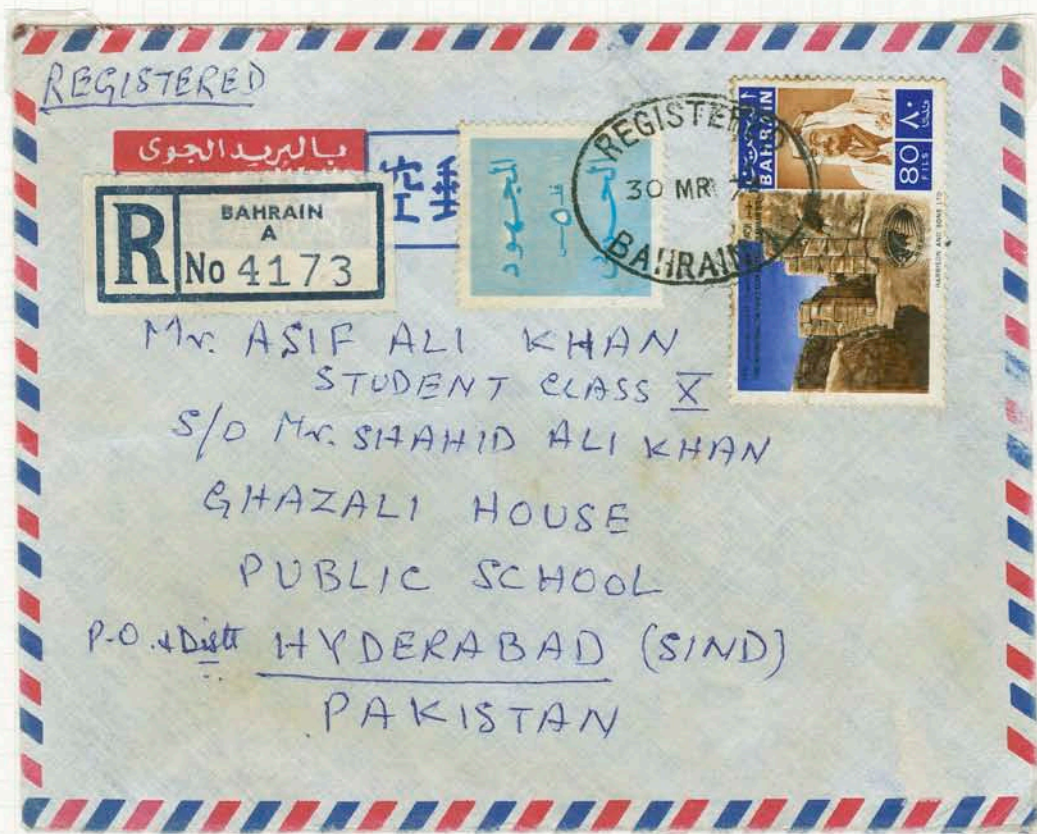
*The issued stamp without the map.*



# Bahrain

1974, the first refugee tax stamp.

Registered airmail cover to Pakistan, with the postmark very unusually tying the tax stamp. The proceeds were used to support Palestinian refugees.





# Bahrain

1979. Shaikh Isa bin Sulman al-Khalifa High Value Definitives.

16-10-79.



Approved  
A E Matta  
Director of Posts  
13/11/79

De la Rue original 1980 Final Proofs of the two High Values

Imperforate on dark grey gold rimmed De La Rue card with manuscript notation

'16-10-79' and file numbers under each Proof.

Both values are in paler than issued shades, the 2 dinar value being in a shade of pale pink rather than the issued shades of reddish lilac & pale reddish lilac.

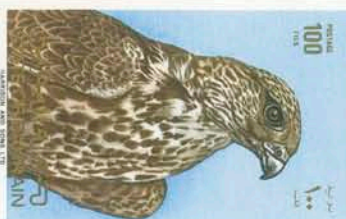
Manuscript 'approved A E Matta, Director of Posts, 13-11-79'.

Unique



# Bahrain

1980, Falconry 100F., block of imperforate se-tenant proofs on printer's card (3 known).





# Bahrain

1980, Falcons 100 F., imperforate se-tenant block of proofs on printer's card (3 known).







Bahrain is a small island in the Persian Gulf. The word "Bahrain" stands for "Two Seas" (in Arabic) referring to the abundant availability of fresh water on the island in contrast to the very salty Arabian Gulf around it. The recorded modern history of Bahrain relates to the arrival of Al-Khalifa family in 1783 - following a Portuguese presence. Traditional crafts, pearl diving and shipping were means of income for long time. The development of manufactured pearls in Japan resulted in difficult times for Bahrain but in 1932 oil was struck in commercial quantities - Bahrain being the first place in the Gulf.

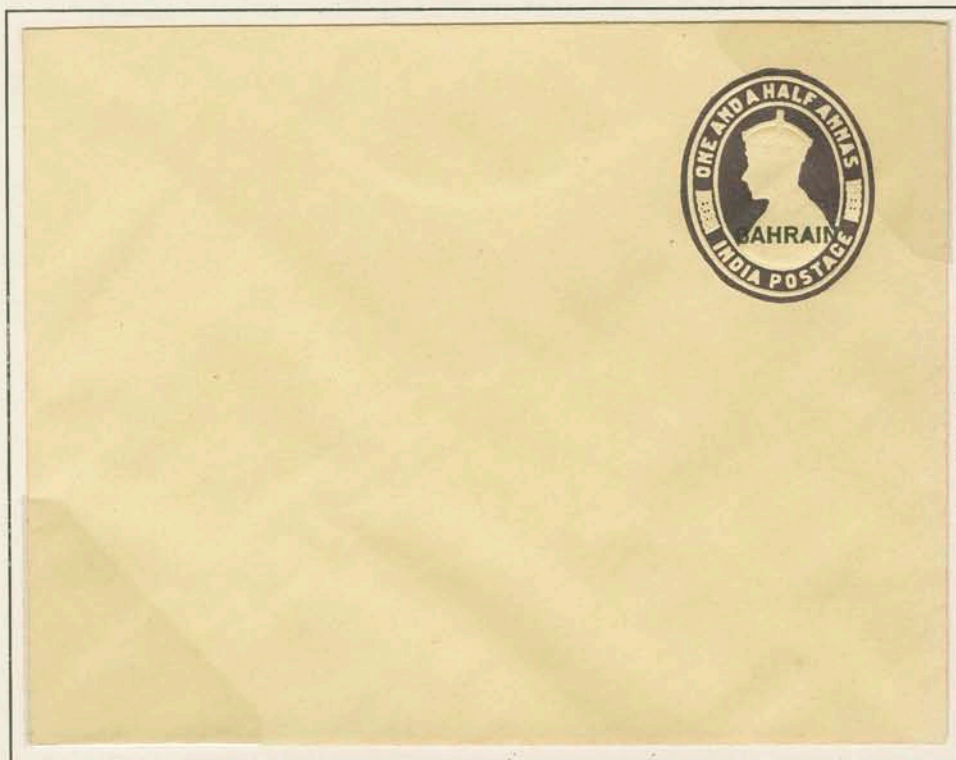
In 1884 the first post office was opened in Bahrain under the management of the postmaster in Bushire as part of the Bombay Circle. The country adapted building its future around the oil industry and under the protection of the British. In 1947 this protection briefly became the responsibility of the government of British India, which had both commercial and strategic interests in the Persian Gulf, but it reverted to Britain following India's independence in 1947.

During 1933-1937 British Indian Stamps and Postal stationery of King George V overprinted with the word 'BAHRAIN' were in use. Later from 1937 to 1945 similar stamps and stationery of King George VI were put to use. Though several items appeared in the earlier, only 1½ Anna Dark Purple (inland) envelope with 'BAHRAIN' overprint was issued during the later period.

## THIS EXHIBIT

This brief display of one frame is the extract of long toiled hours studying under magnification some over 2000 envelopes in several years. This study of the **KGVI 1½ Anna Envelopes Overprinted 'BAHRAIN'** includes a study of the original KGVI Indian envelope (the imprinted stamp) and the **'BAHRAIN' overprint**, done by the highly experienced Indian Security Press at Nasik. As the printing and the overprinting was extremely accurate, to be able to assemble a 16 page frame was a difficult task. Pioneered knowledge include the two dies of the imprinted stamp, The Ghost Images, The Reverse Blanket Impressions and a variety of the lettering variations of the overprint.





**Type B**

Overprint almost perfect.

Blind 2nd 'A' in  
'BAHRAIN'  
(additional  
characteristic)

→  
**RAIN**

**Type B**

Crooked 'AH' in  
'BAHRAIN' (constant  
characteristic)

Blind 2nd 'A' of  
'BAHRAIN'  
(additional  
characteristic)

**BAH**

→  
**RAIN**



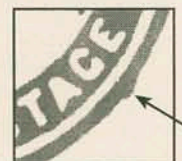




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Overprint almost perfect.

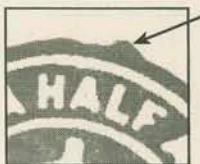
Blob on oval frame at 4 o'clock



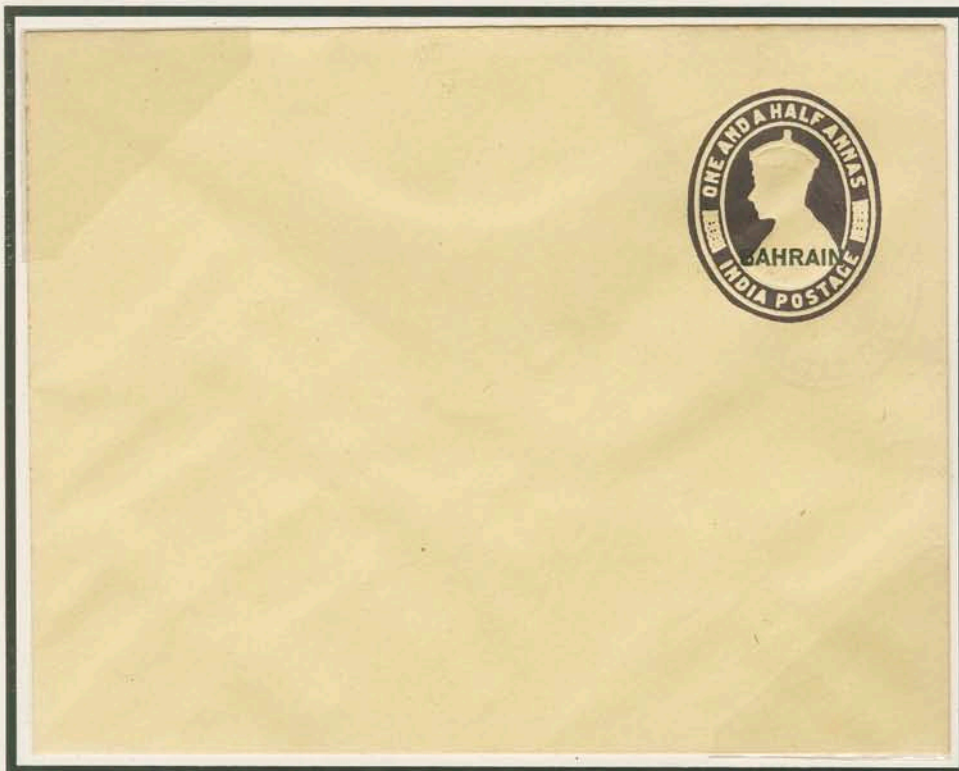
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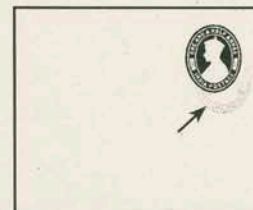






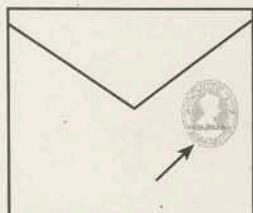
### Type B

Very Rare Light  
Reversed  
blanket  
Impression  
shows almost in  
centre of front.  
Very Rare.

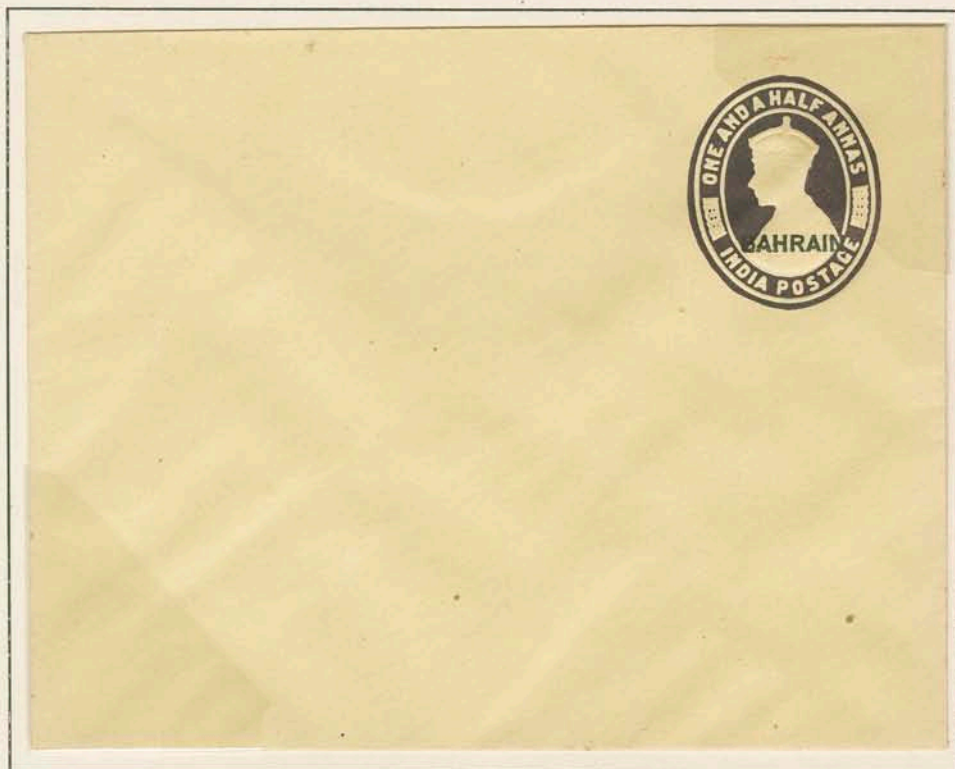


### Type A

Very Rare Light  
Reversed  
blanket  
Impression  
shows on the  
reverse side of  
envelope. Very  
Rare.







### Type B

Crooked 'AH' in  
'BAHRAIN' (constant  
characteristic)

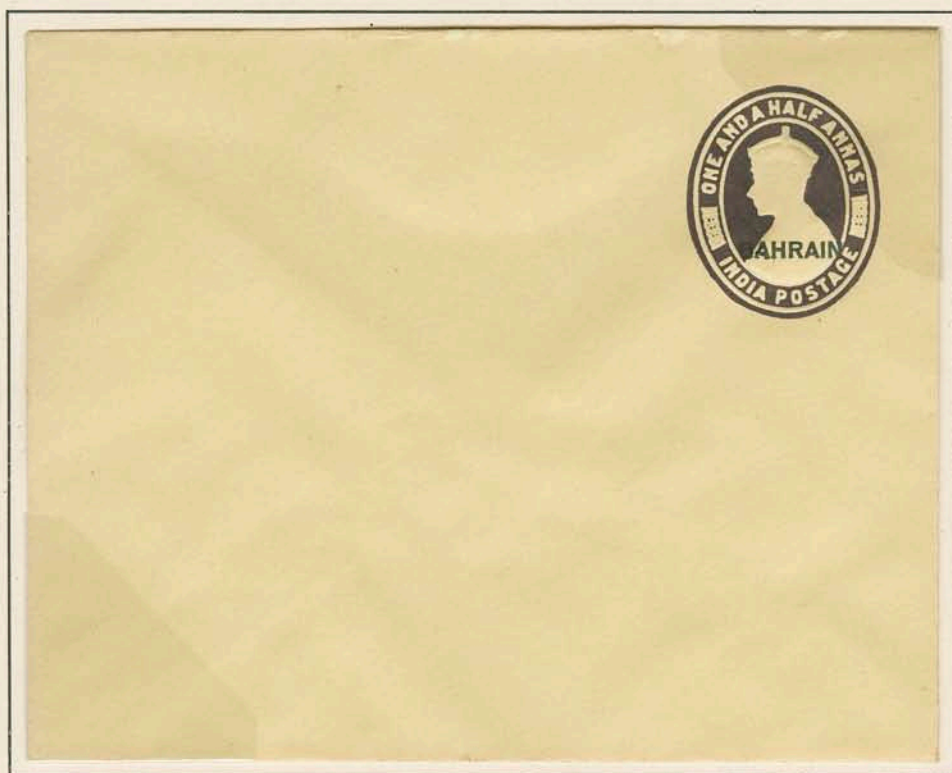
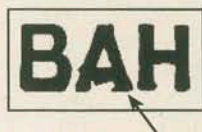
Pointed serif at top  
of 'I' of 'BAHRAIN'  
(additional  
characteristic)



### Type B

Crooked 'AH' in  
'BAHRAIN' (constant  
characteristic)

Heavy base serif of  
the Crooked 'A' in  
'BAHRAIN'  
(additional  
characteristic)







### Type B

Crooked 'AH' in  
'BAHRAIN' (constant  
characteristic)

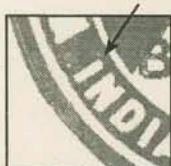
Short lower bar of  
'F' in 'HALF'  
(Inscription in oval  
frame) (additional  
characteristic)



### Type B

Crooked 'AH' in  
'BAHRAIN' (constant  
characteristic)

Short 1st 'I' in 'INDIA'  
(Inscription in oval  
frame) (additional  
characteristic)







### Type B

Overprint almost perfect.

Short left vertical of 'H' in 'HALF' (Inscription in oval frame) (additional characteristic)



### Type B

Overprint almost perfect.

Dented 'O' in 'POSTAGE' (Inscription in oval frame) (additional characteristic)





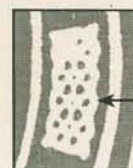


## TWO SUB-TYPES OF THE IMPRINTED STAMP



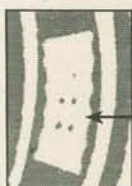
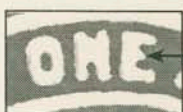
### Type A

1. Open 'A's in the text of oval frame.
2. Squarish centre bar of 'E' in 'ONE' and 'POSTAGE'
3. 19 dots in screened panel on right side.



### Type B

1. Blind 'A's in the text of oval frame
2. Pointed centre bar of 'E' in 'ONE' and 'POSTAGE'
3. Five dots in screened panel on right side







**Type B**

Overprint almost perfect.

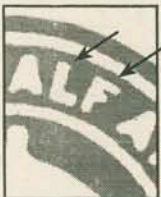
Thick 'H' (additional characteristic)

**BAHR**

**Type B**

Overprint almost perfect.

Short 'LF' in 'HALF' (Inscription in oval frame) (additional characteristic)







### Type B

Crooked 'AH' in  
'BAHRAIN' (constant  
characteristic)

Blobed right foot of  
'A' joined to 'H'  
(additional  
characteristic)

**BAH**

**BAH**

### Type B

Crooked 'AH' in  
'BAHRAIN' (constant  
characteristic)

Blind 1st 'A' of  
'BAHRAIN'  
(additional  
characteristic)

**BAH**

**BAH**







### Type A

Crooked 'AH' in  
'BAHRAIN' (constant  
characteristic)

Thick 'A', 'R' and  
'AIN' in 'BAHRAIN'  
(additional  
characteristic)

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**BAHRAIN**

### Type A

Crooked 'AH' in  
'BAHRAIN' (constant  
characteristic)

Dot under 'H' of  
'BAHRAIN'  
(additional  
characteristic)

**BAH**

**H**







### Type A

Crooked 'AH' in  
'BAHRAIN' (constant  
characteristic)

Thick foot of 'A'  
almost joined to 'B'  
(additional  
characteristic)

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**BAH**

### Type A

Crooked 'AH' in  
'BAHRAIN' (constant  
characteristic)

Thick 'I' and 'AI' of  
'BAHRAIN' joined at  
foot (additional  
characteristic)

**BAH**

**AI**







### Type A

Crooked 'AH' in  
'BAHRAIN' (constant  
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Serifed 'IN' in  
'BAHRAIN'  
(additional  
characteristic)



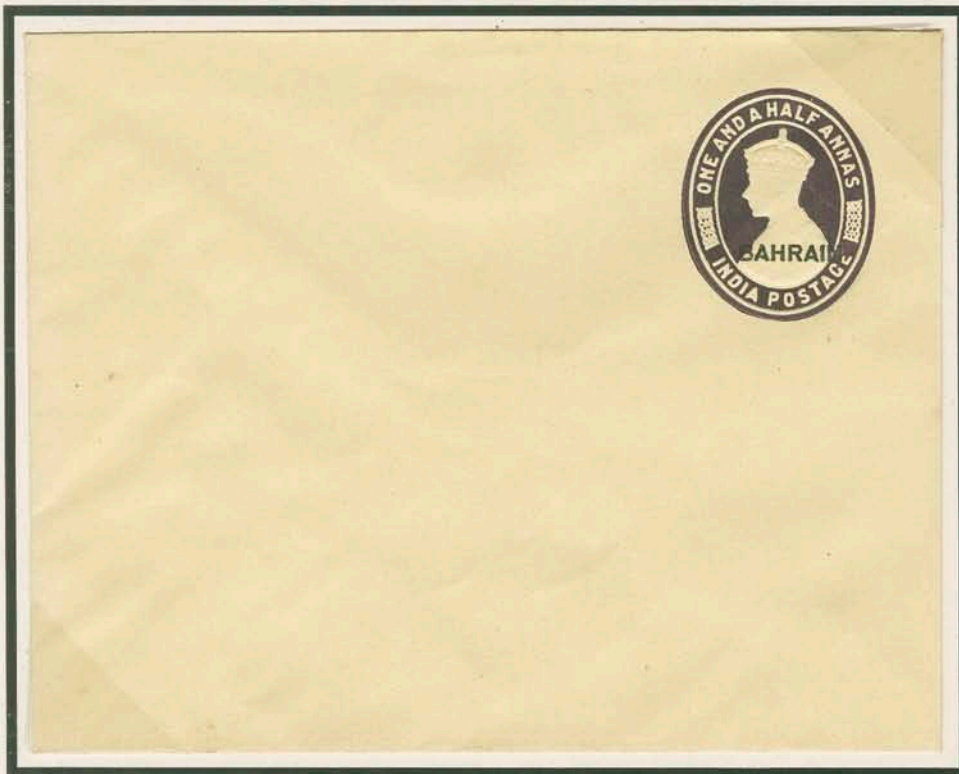
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Crooked 'AH' in  
'BAHRAIN' (constant  
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Serifed 'IN' and  
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characteristic)







### Type A

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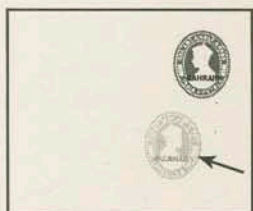
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Impression  
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Very Rare.







### Type A

Crooked 'AH' in 'BAHRAIN'. This has almost become a sub-type of the overprint and be termed as 'constant characteristic'



### Type A

Crooked 'AH' in 'BAHRAIN' (constant characteristic)

'I' Spiked to left in 'BAHRAIN' (additional characteristic)





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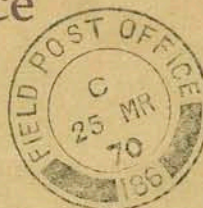
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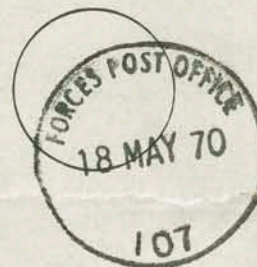
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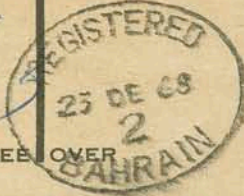
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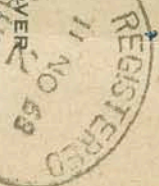
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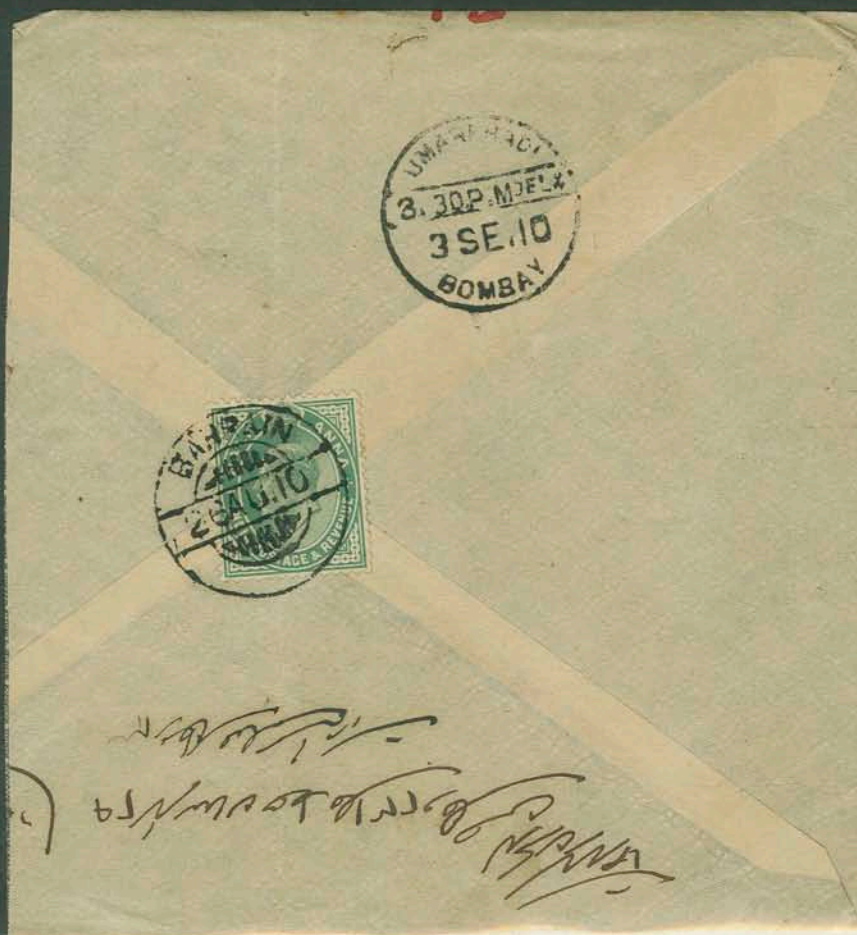
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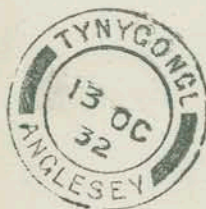
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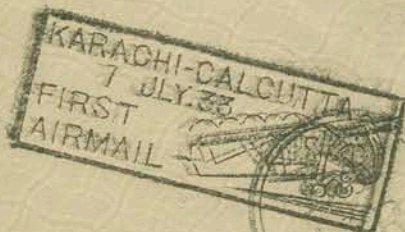


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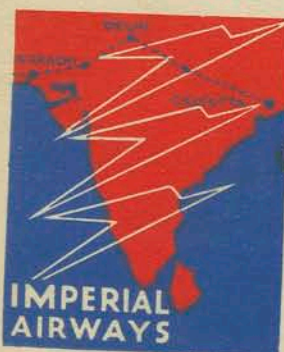
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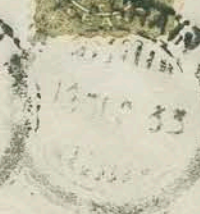
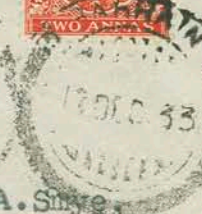
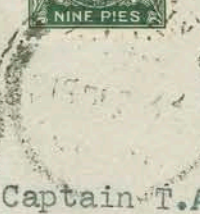
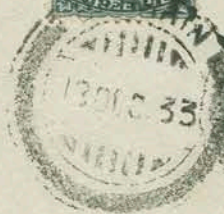


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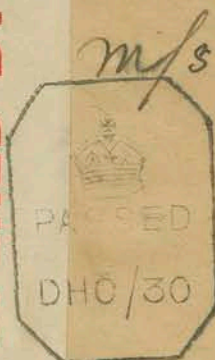
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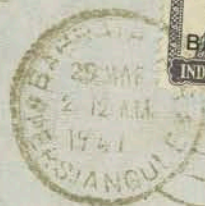


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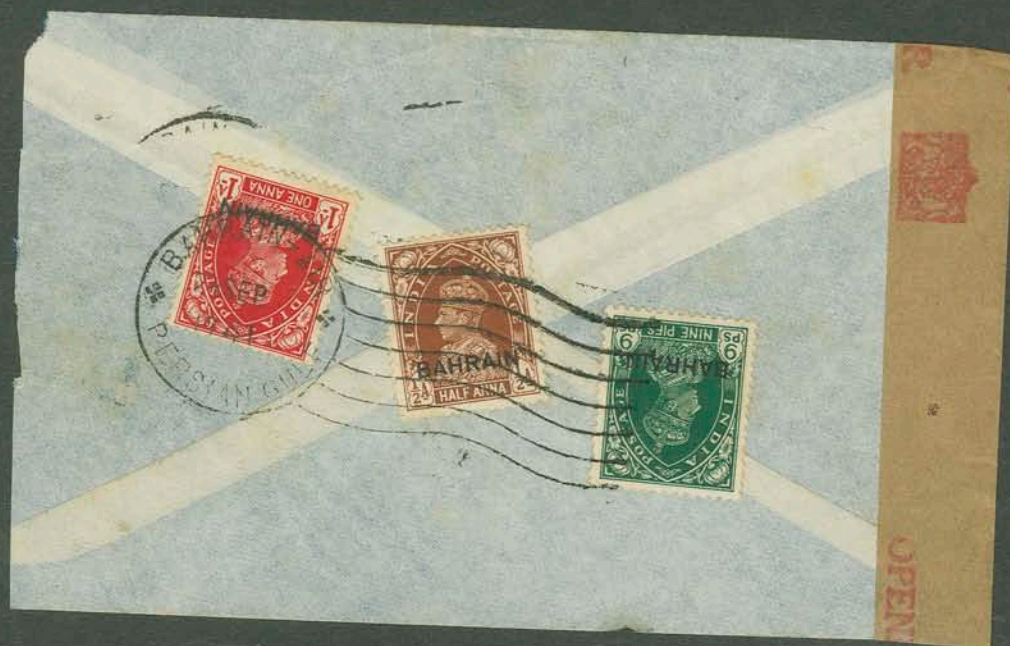


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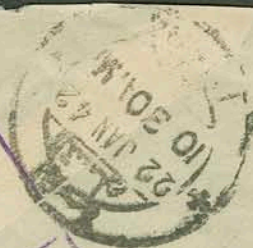
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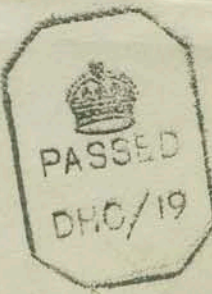
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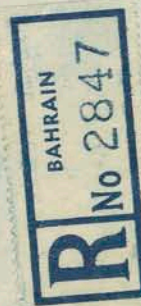


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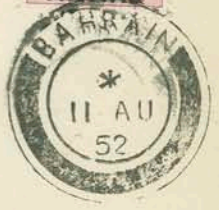
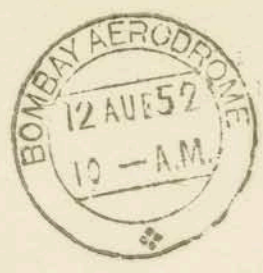




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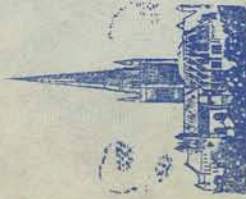
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rainfall here is  
just under 3 inches  
a year, so it's not  
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at least in one  
respect. Am off to  
Basra to-day - so  
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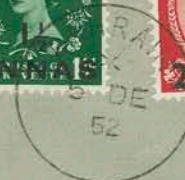
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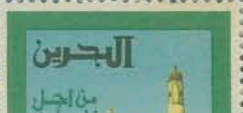
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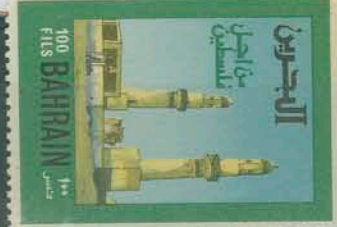
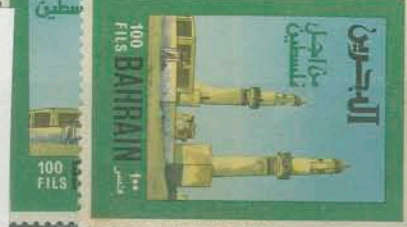
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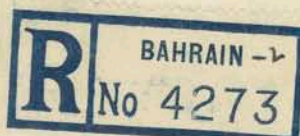
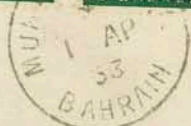


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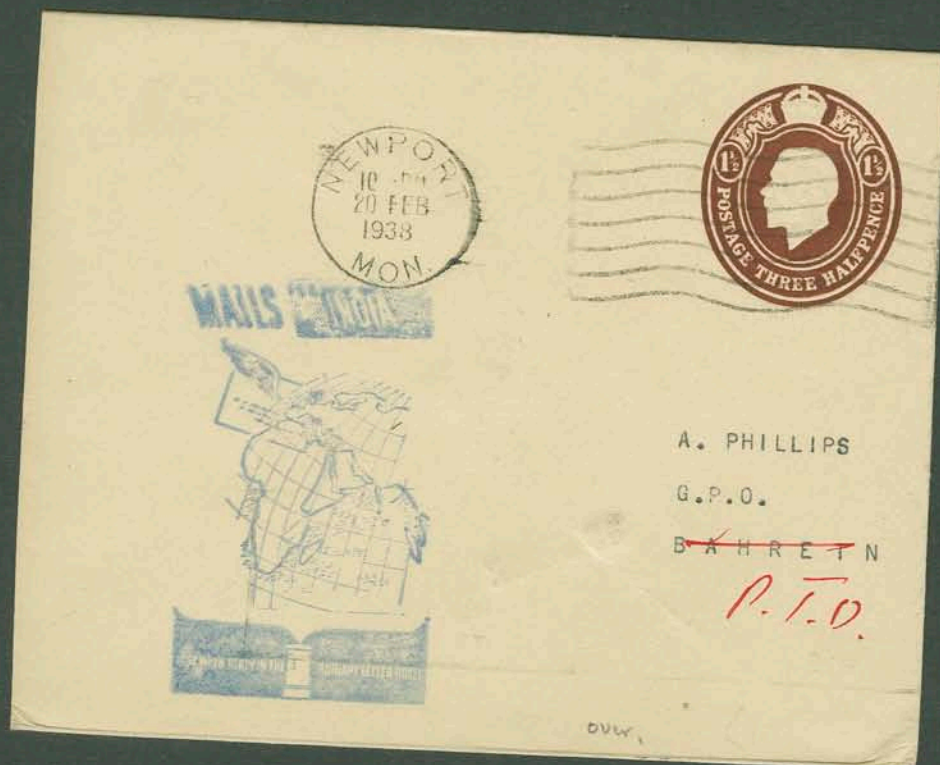
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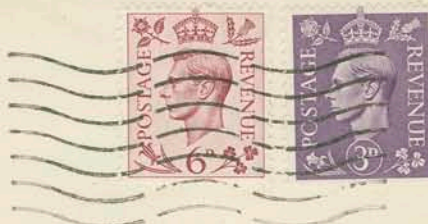
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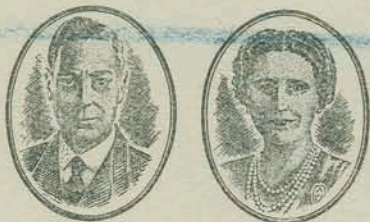
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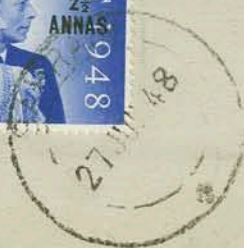
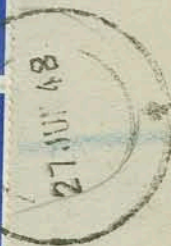
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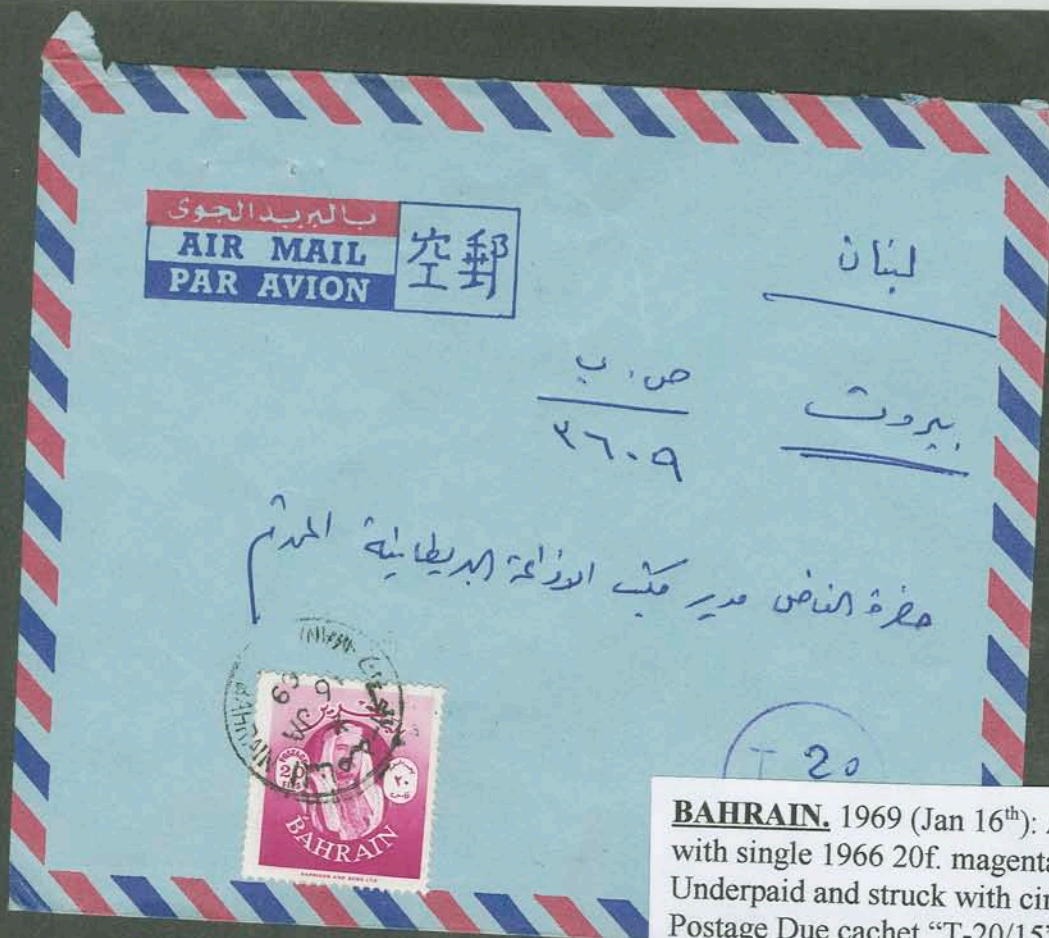


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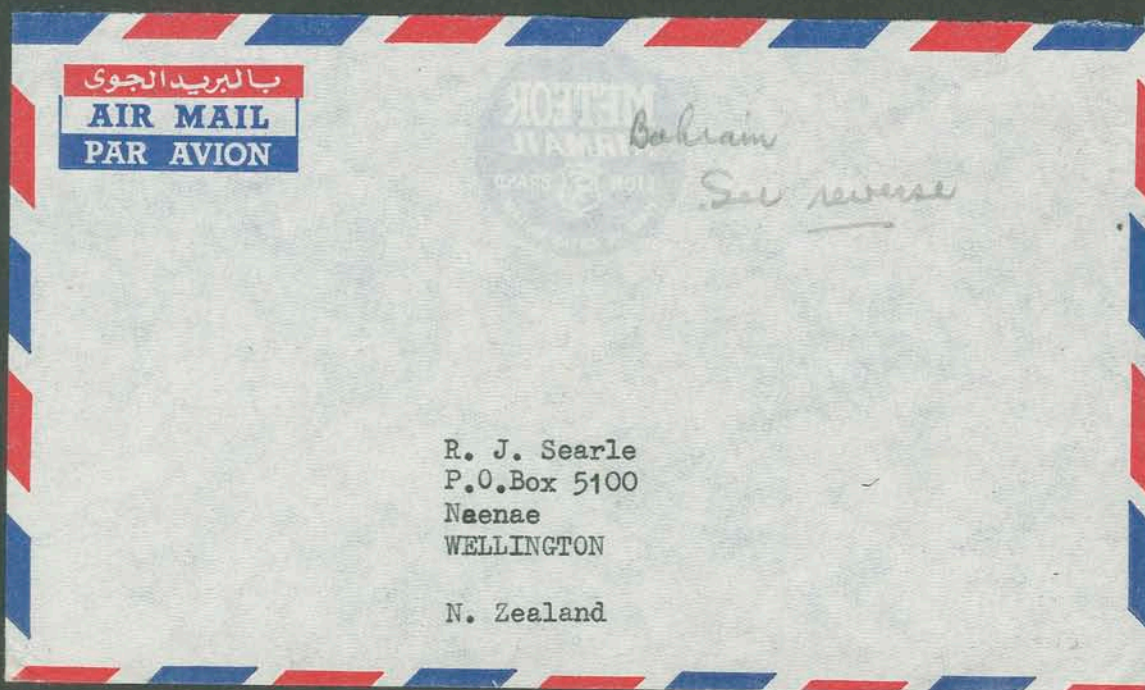
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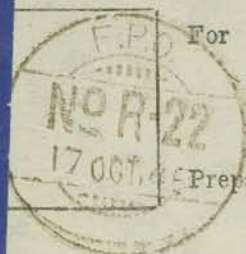
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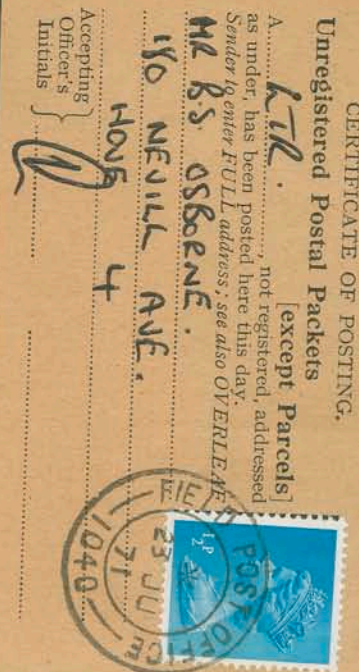
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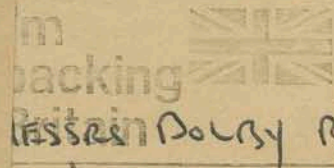
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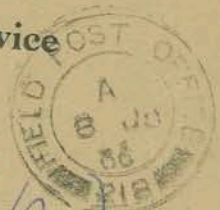
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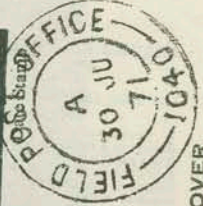
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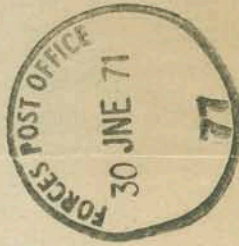


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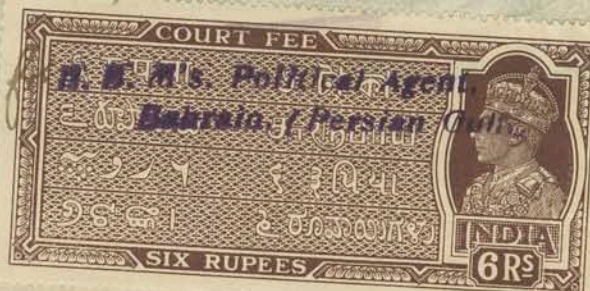
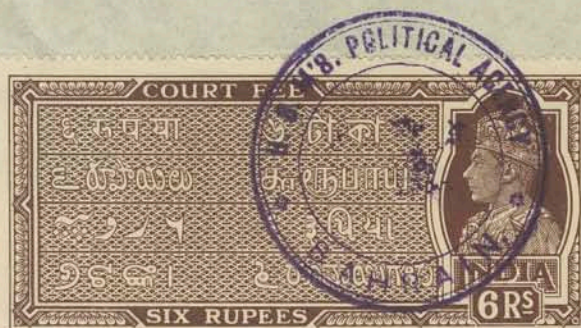


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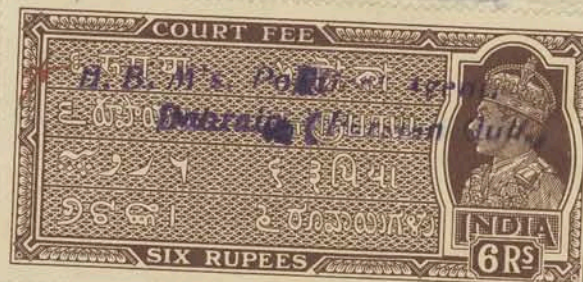


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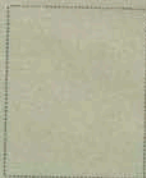
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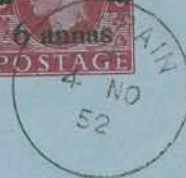
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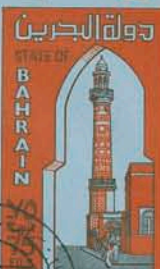
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*On 18/3/55*

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QRM *lob*

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QRG *14* Mc/s

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