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Slip included inside front cover

PROVISIONAL OVERPRINT

1Puffin surcharge on 1957 Definitive 3 puffin stamp.

Overprint in black by Gazette Printing Service of Bideford.

The value is obliterated by a large round dot, above which is a small figure 1.

500 first day postcards are available at 1/6d. each

Minimum quantity of stamps supplied to collectors by post is 4.

Varieties

Mr Gade has kindly sent the following information about misplaced overprints.

300 sheets of 60 stamps were overprinted.

106 have the overprint out of place as follows.

3 Full sheets with all stamps seriously misplaced. 79 stamps have the right hand numeral on the perforation.

34 Sheets have part of the stamps with the overprint considerably misplaced. That is with half the numeral exposed. In any direction.

48 Full sheets have the overprints slightly misplaced. All with about half the 3 showing

31 sheets have part of the sheets with overprint slightly misplaced.

Mr Gade examined 18,000 stamps to get this information. specially for members of the Lundy Specialists' Society. We are most grateful.



About 3½ times actual size

SIR WINSTON CHURCHILL COMMEMORATIVES



To be issued in the middle of June 1965,

The issue will consist of three bicoloured stamps, 2p, 10p and 18p.

All will portray Sir Winston, clad in his Royal Yacht Squadron reefer jacket and cap, and a view of the cove at Lundy showing Lametor Peninsular and Rat Island.

Colours

2 Puffin: Mulberry, Die printed & Burnt Orange , litho.

10 Puffin: Deep blue, die printed & Magenta, litho.

18 Puffin: Black, Die printed, & violet, litho.

Quantity

36,000 of the 2 puffin and 30,000 each of the 10 and 18 puffin.

Size (including perforation 40mm x 25 mm.

Imperforated

85 sheets of each value will be imperforate. (1,020 sets)

Printer; De la Rue & Co. Ltd., Designer:Mr Thoms

Sheets of 12 stamps. News of F.D.Cs not yet to hand.

L.A.C.A.L. CANCELLATIONS

Studying the stamps of the LUNDY AND ATLANTIC COASTS AIR LINES LTD., and covers bearing these stamps, one may vaguely note the cancellation. The cancellations used by the airline, though relatively few in number, are quite interesting.

The first cancellation to be used by the airline, made its debut in early 1936. Prior to its appearance no special cancellation was used by the airline; the stamps being cancelled with the LUNDY cancel, if at all.



Type 1.

This cancellation was used until about July 1937. At that time the frame disappeared, but the wings, date and the names remained, forming what I call cancellation Type 1a.



Type 1a.

Sometime between October 1937 and April 1938, a further change took place in the cancellation; the date disappeared, forming cancellation Type 1b.

2.



Type 1b.

About August 1938 this cancellation appears in its final form, Type 1c, consisting of only the names.



Type 1c.

Thus we see the three year life of a cancellation, from birth through a series of changes, probably the result of wear, to its final form when it was laid to rest.

These cancellations appear in black and various shades of blue.

3.

Cancellation Type 2 appeared in late September or October 1938. Note well the words AIR POST for they soon disappeared at the request of the British Postal Authorities.



Type 2.

The words were removed and cancellation type 2a was formed. Cancellation Type 2 was used for a rather short period of time, possibly less than a month.



Type 2a.

However Type 2a was used until the airline was dissolved in the fall of 1939. Strikes of Type 2a show traces of the letters which were removed, and sometimes show the impressions of the corners of the block backing the cancellation proper. These cancellations appear in various shades of blue.

4.

In an effort to pin down as closely as possible the dates of the various cancellations, I would appreciate hearing from other collectors concerning any covers they may have between the following dates, and the cancellation which appears on the covers.

26 January 1936	-	31 March 1936 [Ⓢ]	Lundy cancel or Type 1
23 June 1937	-	17 July 1937	Type 1 or Type 1a
1 October 1937	-	11 April 1938	Type 1a or Type 1b
17 July 1938	-	20 August 1938	Type 1b or Type 1c
14 September 1938	-	28 October 1938	Type 1c or Type 2
1 November 1938	-	29 November 1938	Type 2 or Type 2a

Ⓢ Was cancellation type 1 used prior to 31 March 1936 at all?

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