NEW SOUTH WALES
RAILWAY PARCEL / FREIGHT STAMPS
PRE-DECIMAL PERIOD 1891 – 1966

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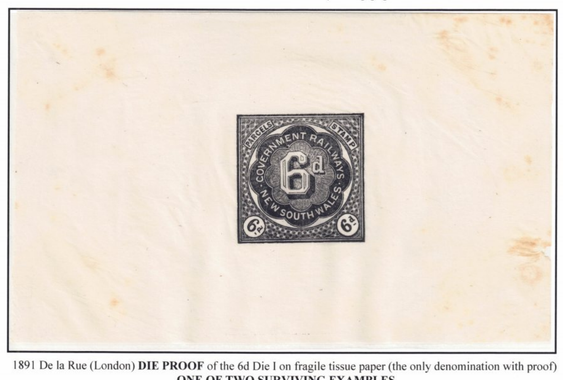

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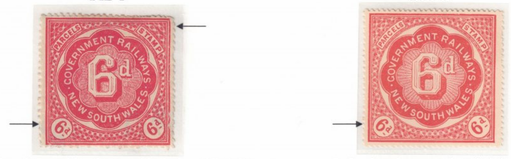

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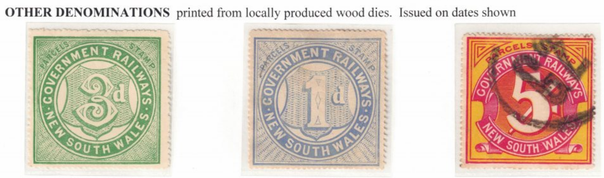

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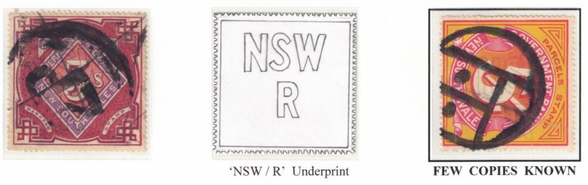

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1918 RAILWAY STAMP PAPER – 'NSW / R' WATERMARK

At war's end, dedicated railway stamp paper watermarked 'NSW / R' was produced for the first time.
The set (1d, 3d, 4d, 5d, 6d, 9d, 1/-, 3/- and 5/-) was reprinted. A new 2/- denom. was added in 1925 (wmk. sideways)

FIRST SERIES 'O S' OVERPRINTS

First Series (ex. 2/- and 5/-) were overprinted 'O S' Type 1 (Thick font, 29mm wide) for Govt. use

1916 'Crown / A' wmk. — 1891 No Wmk. — 1918 'NSW / R' wmk.

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Storage fee stamps with detachable counterfoil for parcels at destination station awaiting pick up.

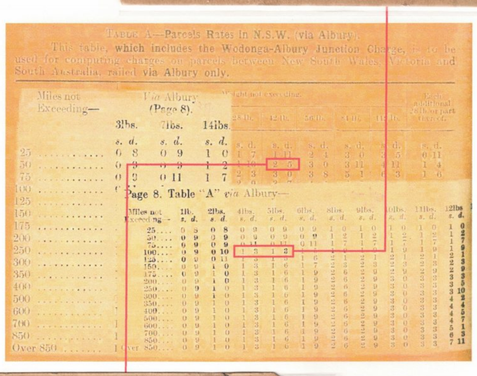
'NEW SOUTH WALES' AT TOP

Black numbers. Mss cancelled 14 Jul. 1898 — Red numbers. Font change 'N^O'

Surface printed on white wove unwatermarked paper. Perforated 11

FIRST SERIES

Parcel Tag for consignment from Duri to Sydney, distance 247 miles. Stamps total 1/3 for item weighing 4 - 5 lbs



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Page 8. Table "A" via Albury—

Julius Blau & Sons Ltd.,
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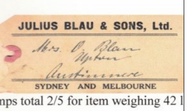

Parcel Tag for consignment from Sydney to Austinmer, distance 48 miles. Stamps total 2/5 for item weighing 42 l

SECOND SERIES

In 1929, a new design was adopted, still on 'NSW / R' wmk. paper. Proof and Mint Set without station names

Light Blue / Turquoise Blue — Reddish Violet

1928 PROOF for a uniform design produced on semi-gloss wove paper by the Government Printer in Sydney

Green / Blue Green — Deep Blue

Vermillion — Purple / Bright Purple — Chestnut

Carmine Red — Yellow Green / Olive Green — Yellow Orange

Recorded issue colours nominated. Sheet of 60 stamps electroplated from engraved dies on a Heidelberg press.

1929 'NSW / R' WATERMARK

Station names were overprinted in black on the mono-coloured denominations as required

Colour error : 3/- in colour of the 5/-. Only copy known

PICTON LOOP LINE

The only Government Parcel Stamp in Australia issued for a Line rather than a Station. Only copy known

USED IN CANBERRA

NSW stamps with 'CANBERRA' as the station name were used in the ACT prior to Commonwealth Railways stamps

USED IN VICTORIA

NSW stamps with 'SPENCER ST. (VIC.) as the station name were sold in Victoria for use on parcels to NSW
Very few 1929 used interstate recorded : CANBERRA - those shown : Victoria 1d (3), 3d (1), 6d (2) and 1/- (2)

1929 PREPAID CARTAGE

To prepay delivery of parcels from station to residence. Real PROOF but stamps apparently not widely issued

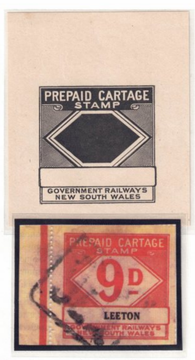

Illustration from 'Stamp News' of the only example (whereabouts unknown). Minor discrepancies to Proof

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Such companies permitted to handstamp Company name (Pre-cancel) or perforate initials (Perfin) for internal security
Pre-cancels : 'DAVID JONES LIMITED' (Dept. Store), B&W (Unknown) — Perfins : 'E F L^D' (Edward Fay Ltd), 'MG' (Unknown)

1948 'NSWG' WATERMARK

In 1948 the design was re-issued on 'GNSW' wmk. paper. 4/- and 10/- denominations added. Mint set for Sydney.

Light Blue / Turquoise Blue — Bluish Violet — Emerald Green

Deep Blue — Vermillion / Red — Purple / Bright Purple / Mauve

Chestnut / Orange Brown — Carmine Red / Rose — Olive, Sage, Apple Green

Sepia — Orange / Yellow Orange — Pale Grey / Mid Grey

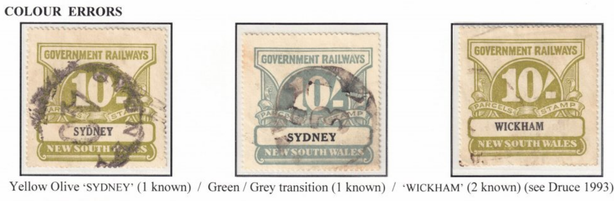
The font for 'SYDNEY' varied throughout the issue (see next page). This set 14.5mm setting ex. 1d, 4d & 5d (16.0mm

FONT SETTINGS

3 distinct font settings of different lengths for 'SYDNEY'. 1929 issue 12.5mm only. 1948 all settings

12.5mm setting — 14.5mm setting — 16.0mm setting

COLOUR ERRORS

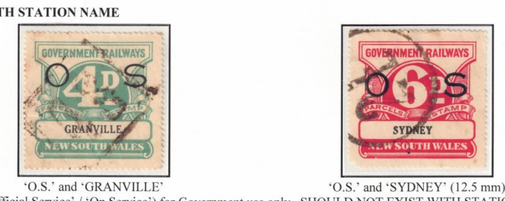


Yellow Olive 'SYDNEY' (1 known) / Green / Grey transition (1 known) / 'WICKHAM' (2 known) (see Druce 1993)

ROULETTED ISSUES

Some 1948 issues occur roulette 6 : 1d 'KINGSGROVE', 'NAMBUCCA HEADS' & 'O.S.', 4/- 'MOLONG' & 'GOSFORD'

'OS' WITH STATION NAME



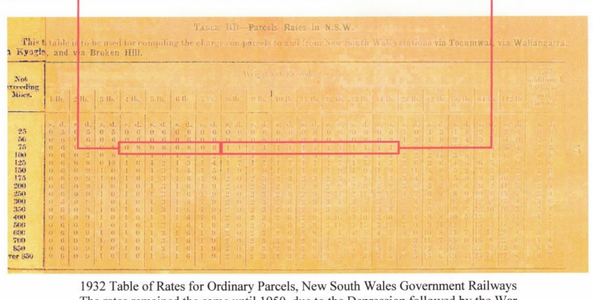
'O.S.' and 'GRANVILLE' — 'O.S.' and 'SYDNEY' (12.5 mm)

'O.S.' ('Official Service' / 'On Service') for Government use only. SHOULD NOT EXIST WITH STATION NAME

SECOND SERIES

Parcel Tags for consignments from Wagga Wagga to Pleasant Hills, a distance of 50.7 miles.
The stamps total 8d for an item weighing 4 - 7 lbs and 1/1d for an item weighing 8 - 14 lbs.
Stamps on both tags have 'NSW / R' wmk., issued from 1929 - 1948.

Wenk and Johnston (1907 – 1947)
Engineers, Brasse & Iron Founders



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The rates remained the same until 1950, due to the Depression followed by the War

'O S' OVERPRINTS

Stamps overprinted 'STATE GOVERNMENT' (font, 37mm wide) and 'STATE GOVT.' (dot) for Govt. use

'STATE GOVERNMENT' displaced — 'NSW / R' Wmk. — 'NSW / R' Wmk.

'NSW / R' Wmk. — 'NSW / R' Wmk. — 'NSWG' Wmk. (inv.)

'STATE GOVT.' FONT SETTING 25.5mm

1948 Roulette 6 — Small 'O' — 'NSWG' Wmk.

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Stamps with 'STATE GOVT.' only occur with 'NSWG' wmk. as the change of overprint occurred after 1948

FRANKING MACHINES (METERS)

Franking machines in use from 1956. Types include Universal, Neopost, Pitney Bowes Automax and SATAS.

Printed on a Universal Multivalue 5 Bank Machine (introduced 1956). 'R21' is the private user licence number

Printed on Neopost Frankmaster (Model 305) – Die 1 (1958). User 'R41'. Some labels carried advertising

POSTAGE AS PARCEL

1929 6d NSW / R (upright wmk.) on letter from Sydney to Jamberoo (Kiama Station) – distance 70 miles.
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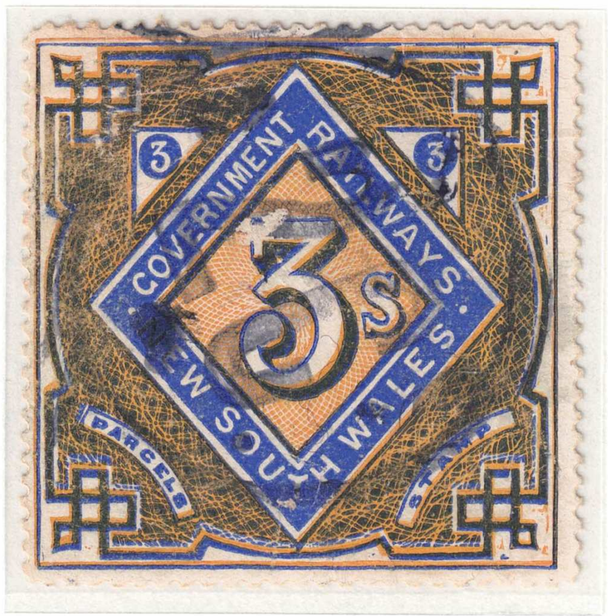

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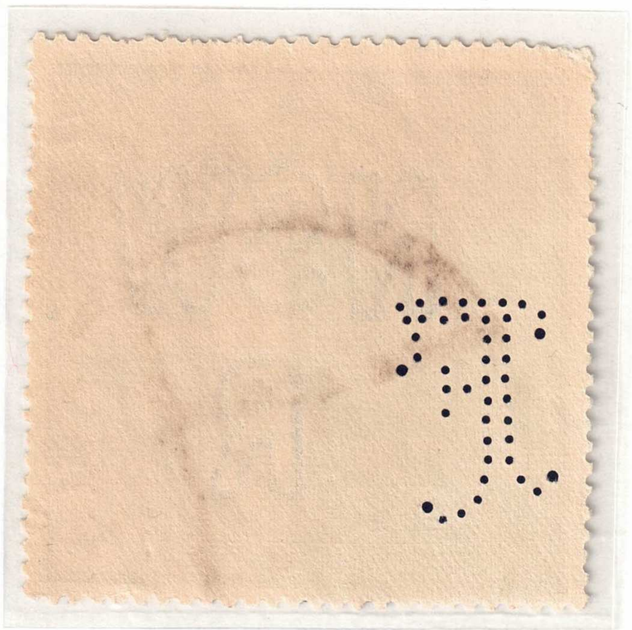

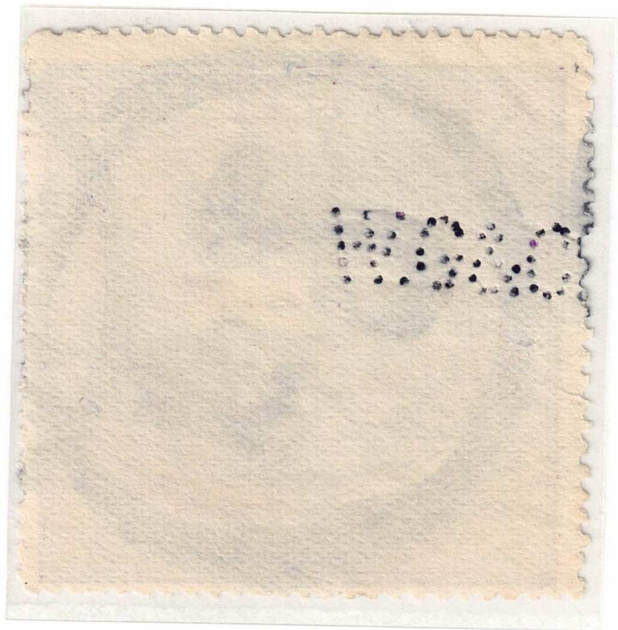

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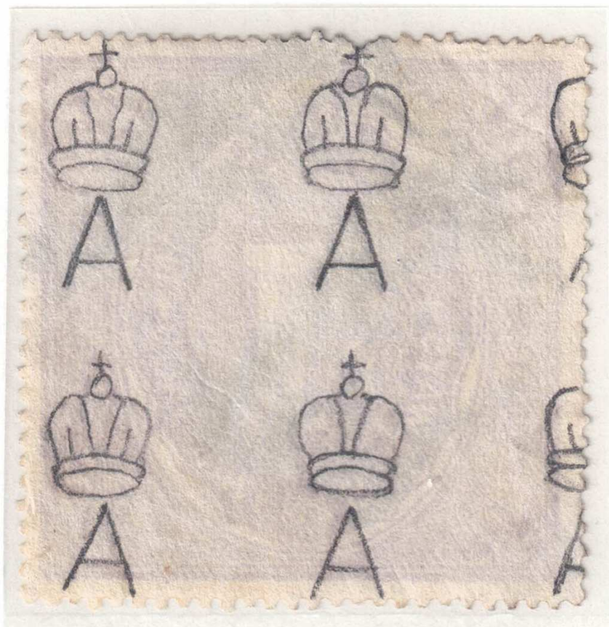

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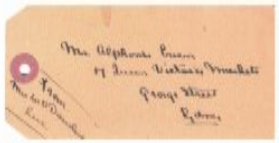

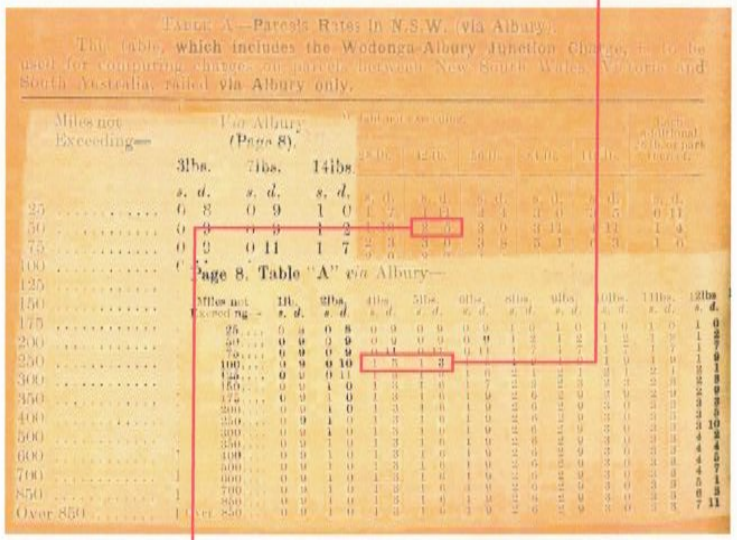

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Miles not Exceeding—	1lb. s. d.	2lbs. s. d.	4lbs. s. d.	5lbs. s. d.	6lbs. s. d.	8lbs. s. d.	9lbs. s. d.	10lbs. s. d.	11lbs. s. d.	12lbs s. d.
25	0 8	0 8	0 9	0 9	0 9	1 0	1 0	1 0	1 0	1 0
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850	0 9	1 0	1 3	1 6	1 9	2 6	2 9	3 0	3 3	6 5
Over 850	0 9	1 0	1 3	1 6	1 9	2 6	2 9	3 0	3 3	7 11

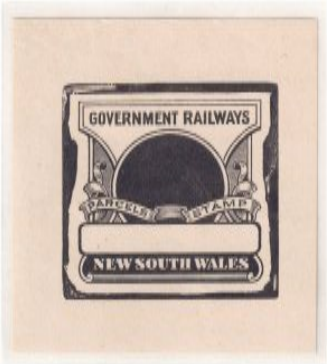
Julius Blau & Sons Ltd.,
York Buildings, Market St., Sydney
Importes of Eau de Cologne 4711,
Perfumery & Indentors

Parcel Tag for consignment from Sydney to Austinmer, distance 48 miles. Stamps total 2/5 for item weighing 42 l

SECOND SERIES

In 1929, a new design was adopted, still on 'NSW / R' wmk. paper. Proof and Mint Set without station names

Light Blue / Turquoise Blue



1928 PROOF for a uniform design produced on semi-gloss wove paper by the Government Printer in Sydney

Reddish Violet

Green / Blue Green

Deep Blue

Vermillion

Purple / Bright Purple

Chestnut

Carmine Red

Yellow Green / Olive Green

Yellow Orange

Recorded issue colours nominated. Sheet of 60 stamps electroplated from engraved dies on a Heidelberg press.

1929 'NSW / R' WATERMARK

Station names were overprinted in black on the mono-coloured denominations as required

Colour error : 3/- in colour of the 5/-. Only copy known

PICTON LOOP LINE

The only Government Parcel Stamp in Australia issued for a Line rather than a Station. Only copy known

USED IN CANBERRA

NSW stamps with 'CANBERRA' as the station name were used in the ACT prior to Commonwealth Railways stamps

USED IN VICTORIA

NSW stamps with 'SPENCER ST. (VIC.) as the station name were sold in Victoria for use on parcels to NSW
Very few 1929 used interstate recorded : CANBERRA - those shown : Victoria 1d (3), 3d (1), 6d (2) and 1/- (2)

1929 PREPAID CARTAGE

To prepay delivery of parcels from station to residence. Real PROOF but stamps apparently not widely issued

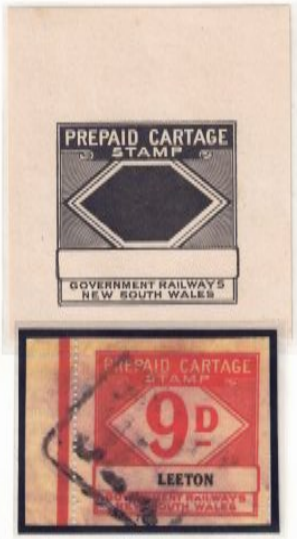


Illustration from 'Stamp News' of the only example (whereabouts unknown). Minor discrepancies to Proof

PRIVATE USER 'PRE-CANCELS'

Certain companies with high usage were permitted to bulk purchase stamps in sheets.

PRIVATE USER 'PERFINS'

Such companies permitted to handstamp Company name (Pre-cancel) or perforate initials (Perfin) for internal security

Pre-cancels : 'DAVID JONES LIMITED' (Dept. Store), B&W (Unknown) Perfins : 'E F L^D (Edward Fay Ltd), 'MG' (Unknown)

1948 'NSWG' WATERMARK

In 1948 the design was re-issued on 'GNSW' wmk. paper. 4/- and 10/- denominations added. Mint set for Sydney.

Light Blue / Turquoise Blue

Bluish Violet

Emerald Green

Deep Blue

Vermillion / Red

Purple / Bright Purple / Mauve

Chestnut / Orange Brown

Carmine Red / Rose

Olive, Sage, Apple Green

Sepia

Orange / Yellow Orange

Pale Grey / Mid Grey

The font for 'SYDNEY' varied throughout the issue (see next page). This set 14.5mm setting ex. 1d, 4d & 5d (16.0mm)

FONT SETTINGS

3 distinct font settings of different lengths for 'SYDNEY'. 1929 issue 12.5mm only. 1948 all settings

12.5mm setting

14.5mm setting

16.0mm setting

COLOUR ERRORS

Yellow Olive 'SYDNEY' (1 known) / Green / Grey transition (1 known) / 'WICKHAM' (2 known) (see Druce 1993)

ROULETTED ISSUES

Some 1948 issues occur roulette 6 : 1d 'KINGSGROVE', ' NAMBUCCA HEADS' & 'O.S.', 4/- 'MOLONG' & 'GOSFORD'

'OS' WITH STATION NAME

'O.S.' and 'GRANVILLE'

'O.S.' and 'SYDNEY' (12.5 mm)

'O.S.' ('Official Service' / 'On Service') for Government use only. SHOULD NOT EXIST WITH STATION NAME

SECOND SERIES

Parcel Tags for consignments from Wagga Wagga to Pleasant Hills, a distance of 50.7 miles.
The stamps total 8d for an item weighing 4 - 7 lbs and 1/1d for an item weighing 8 - 14 lbs.
Stamps on both tags have 'NSW / R' wmk., issued from 1929 - 1948.

Wenk and Johnston (1907 – 1947)
Engineers, Brasse & Iron Founders

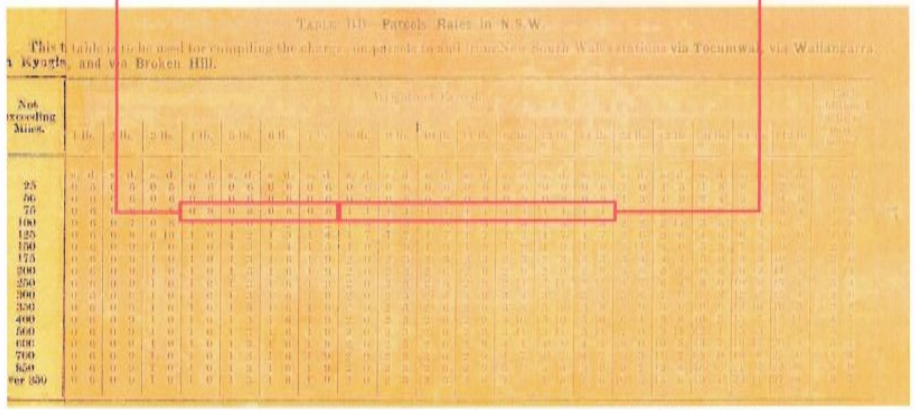


TABLE III.—Parcels Rates in N.S.W.

This table is to be used for compiling the charges on parcels to and from New South Wales stations via Tocumwal, via Wallangarra, via Kyogle, and via Broken Hill.

| Not exceeding Miles. | Weighed Parcels | | |

'O S' OVERPRINTS

Stamps overprinted 'STATE GOVERNMENT' (font, 37mm wide) and 'STATE GOVT.' (dot) for Govt. use

'STATE GOVERNMENT' displaced

'NSW / R' Wmk.

'NSW / R' Wmk.

'NSW / R' Wmk.

'NSW / R' Wmk.

'NSWG' Wmk. (inv.)

'STATE GOVT.' FONT SETTING 25.5mm

1948 Roulette 6

Small 'O'

'NSWG' Wmk.

'STATE GOVT.' FONT SETTING 27.5mm

'NSWG' Wmk. (inv.)

'NSWG' Wmk. (inv.)

'NSWG' Wmk.

Stamps with 'STATE GOVT.' only occur with 'NSWG' wmk. as the change of overprint occurred after 1948

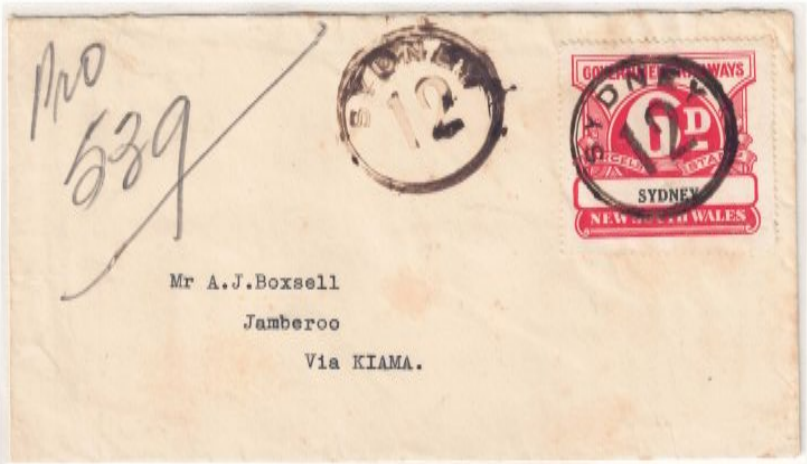
FRANKING MACHINES (METERS)

Franking machines in use from 1956. Types include Universal, Neopost, Pitney Bowes Automax and SATAS.

Printed on a Universal Multivalue 5 Bank Machine (introduced 1956). 'R21' is the private user licence number

Printed on Neopost Frankmaster (Model 305) – Die 1 (1958). User 'R41'. Some labels carried advertising

POSTAGE AS PARCEL



1929 6d NSW / R (upright wmk.) on letter from Sydney to Jamberoo (Kiama Station) – distance 70 miles. Cheapest rate (1 lb. parcel 50 - 75 miles) 8d. in 1927, reduced to 6d. in 1932. Contemporary Postal rate 2d.