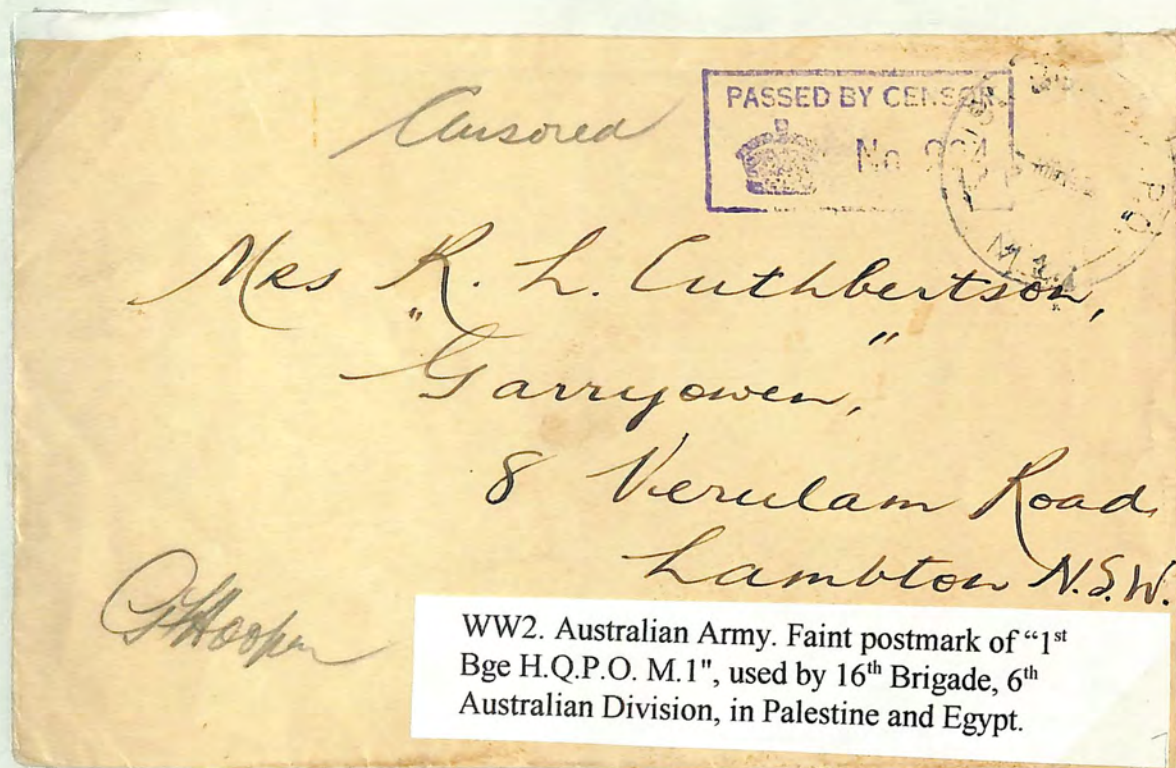


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WW2. Australian Army. Faint postmark of "1st
Bge H.Q.P.O. M.1", used by 16th Brigade, 6th
Australian Division, in Palestine and Egypt.

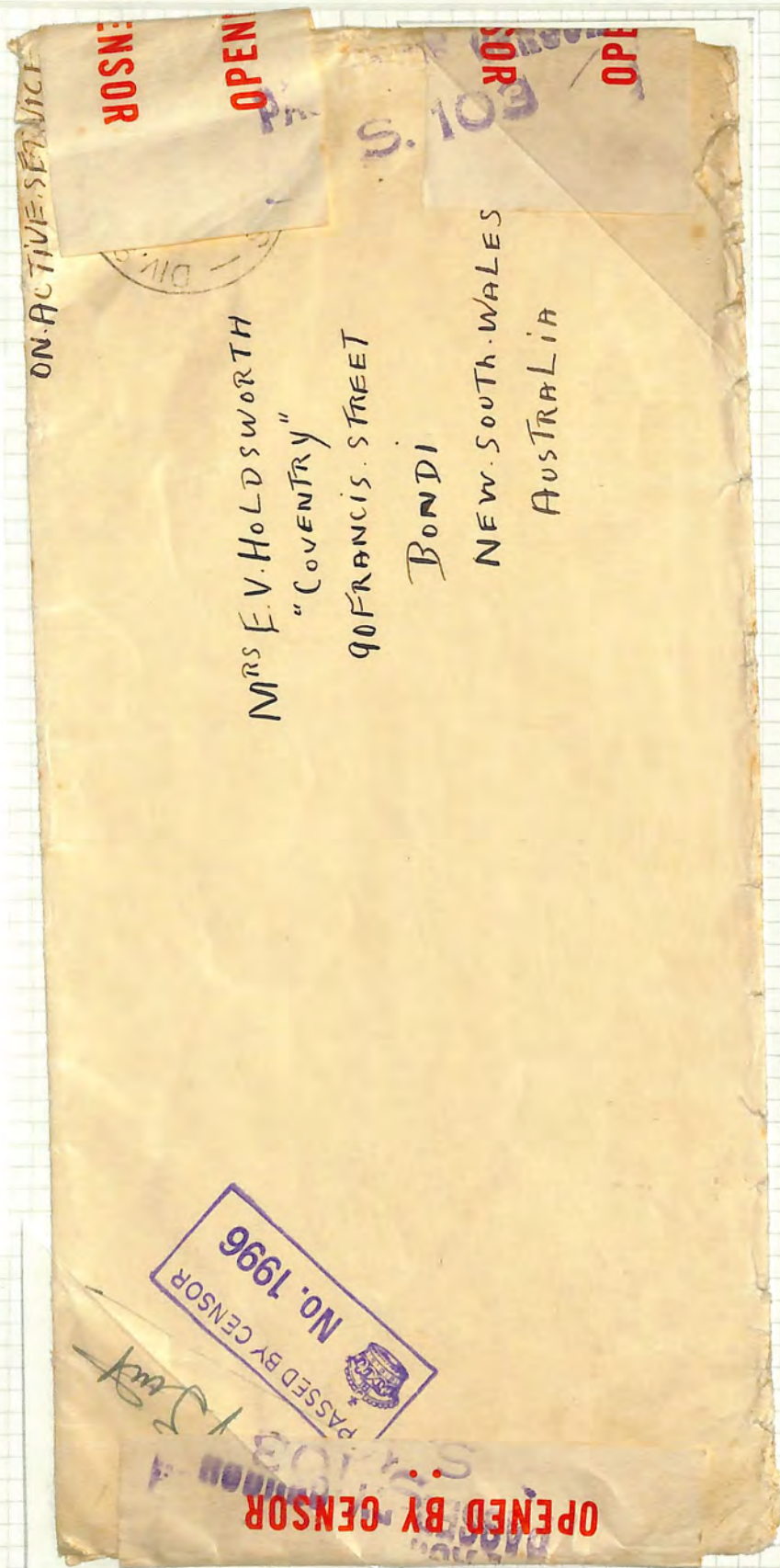
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AIR MAIL To New South Wales, Australia. Palestine postage of 10 mils + 50 mils = 60 mils. Correct rate at this time. Post mark - BASE P.O. - B.W.1 - 4JE40. In Jerusalem on this date (1st BASE P.O.). Blue rectangular "Passed By Censor" and signed.

Surface Mail - Soldier's Mail - Free mail to New South Wales, Australia. Post mark (under censor strip - upper right corner), DIV. SUPPLY H.Q. P.O. - S.M.1. - 5JE40. On this date located JULIS, Palestine, (The 6th Div. Postal Unit). Violet rectangular "PASSED BY CENSOR" cachet. OPENED BY CENSOR Labels on both sides of cover and another "PASSED BY CENSOR S.103" cachet in violet.

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AIR MAIL on YMCA cover to New South Wales, Australia. Correct rate in Palestine stamps - 10 mils + 50 mils = 60 mils. Post mark - BASE P.O. - B.W.I. - 21JE40. (1st BASE P.U.) At Jerusalem on this date. (Type "a" post mark). Violet rectangular "PASSED BY CENSOR" cachet - signed.

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PALESTINE to New South Wales, Australia. No AIR MAIL request but correct postage fee for that service on cover - 10 mils + 50 mils = 60 mils. BASE P.O. - B.W.1. - 27JE40. In Jerusalem at time. (1st BASE P.O.). Double green rectangular Censor cachets on front. Post mark is of type "C".

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Cover VIA Surface Mail to Sydney, Australia from
Palestine. No charge for Military for this service.
Post marked - DIV.SUPPLY H.Q.P.O. - S.M.I. -
8JY40.(A 6th Div. Postal Unit). Stationed at JULIS,
Palestine at this time. Type "a" post mark. Red
rectangular Censor cachet.

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IN PALESTINE 1940 - 1943



AIR MAIL to New South Wasles, Australia with correct postage fee using Palestine stamps for total of 60 mils. Post mark - DIV.SUPPLY H.Q.P.O. - S.M.I. - 19AU40. (Type "a" post mark)(6th DIV. Postal Unit). At JULIS, Palestine on this date. Violet rectangular Censor cachet.

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AIR MAIL to Sydney, Australia. Correct air mail rate of 60 mils Palestine postage. Post mark - DIV.SUPPLY H.Q.P.O. - S.M.I. - 28AU40. This was 6th DIV. P U. stationed at Julis, Palestine. Violet rectangular "PASSED BY CENSOR" cachet (Type "a" post mark).

THE AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE (AIF)
IN PALESTINE 1940 - 1943



AIR MAIL to New South Wales, Australia. Post mark of
DIV.SUPPLY H.Q.P.O. - S.M.1. - 30C40 on correct Air
Mail fee of Palestine 60 mils stamps. Located at
JULIS Palestine (a 6th DIV. P.U.). Violet rectangular
CENSOR cachet. Signed by Censor. (Type "a" post mark).

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AIR MAIL to New South Wales, Australia from Palestine. Palestine stamps of 10 mils + 50 mils (total 60 mils) on cover. Post mark of "BASE P.O. - B.W.I. - 3.10.40. Censored twice - violet PASSED By CENSOR" cachet and EXAMINED Label with violet triangular "Examiner 6" cachet. Postal unit was at Jerusalem on this date.

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Palestine to New South Wales, Australia via AIR MAIL.
Correct postage fees for Air Mail of 60 mils in
Palestine stamps. Post mark - DIV.SUPPLY H.Q.P.O. -
S.M.1. - 40C40. This was in JULIS, Palestine at this
date. Violet rectangular Censor cachet and initialed.
(Type "a" post mark).

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IN PALESTINE 1940 - 1943



AIR MAIL to Sydney, Australia. Total of 60 mils Palestine stamps for air mail rate. Double post mark of DIV. SUPPLY H.Q.P.O. - S.M.1. - 150C40. (6th DIV. P.U.). At JULIS, Palestine this date. Red rectangular Censor cachet - signed. (Type "a" post mark).

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On Active Service.

*M^{rs}. J. W. Williams.
21 Goodwin Avenue,
Ashfield. New South Wales.
Australia.*



"Free" postage Surface Mail for Military Personnel.
To New South Wales, Australia. Post marked - DIV.
H.Q. P.O. - D.M.I. - 6N040 (This was a 6th DIV P.U.).
On this date it was passing thru Egypt on its way to
Libya. Double square Censor cachet (usually used by
Censors in Egypte).

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ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE cover - AIR MAIL to Richmond, Australia. Blue/violet post mark - 1ST BDE H.Q. P.O. - P.1. - 30 NO 40 (not clear). Located at KILO 89, Palestine. A small quantity of Australian stamps arrived in Palestine. They were mostly of the Kangaroo 9d(pence) stamp. This stamp was obsolete in Australia. On 30 Nov 1940, the air mail rate was reduced to 9d which was equal to 30 mils.

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A. F. W3078

ACTIVE

This envelope must not be used for coin or valuables. It cannot be accepted for registration.

NOTE :—

Correspondence in this envelope need not be censored Regimentally. The contents are liable to examination at the Base.

The following Certificate must be signed by the writer :—

I certify on my honour that the contents of this envelope refer to nothing but private and family matters.

Signature
Name only

S. Malcolm

[Crown Copyright Reserved]

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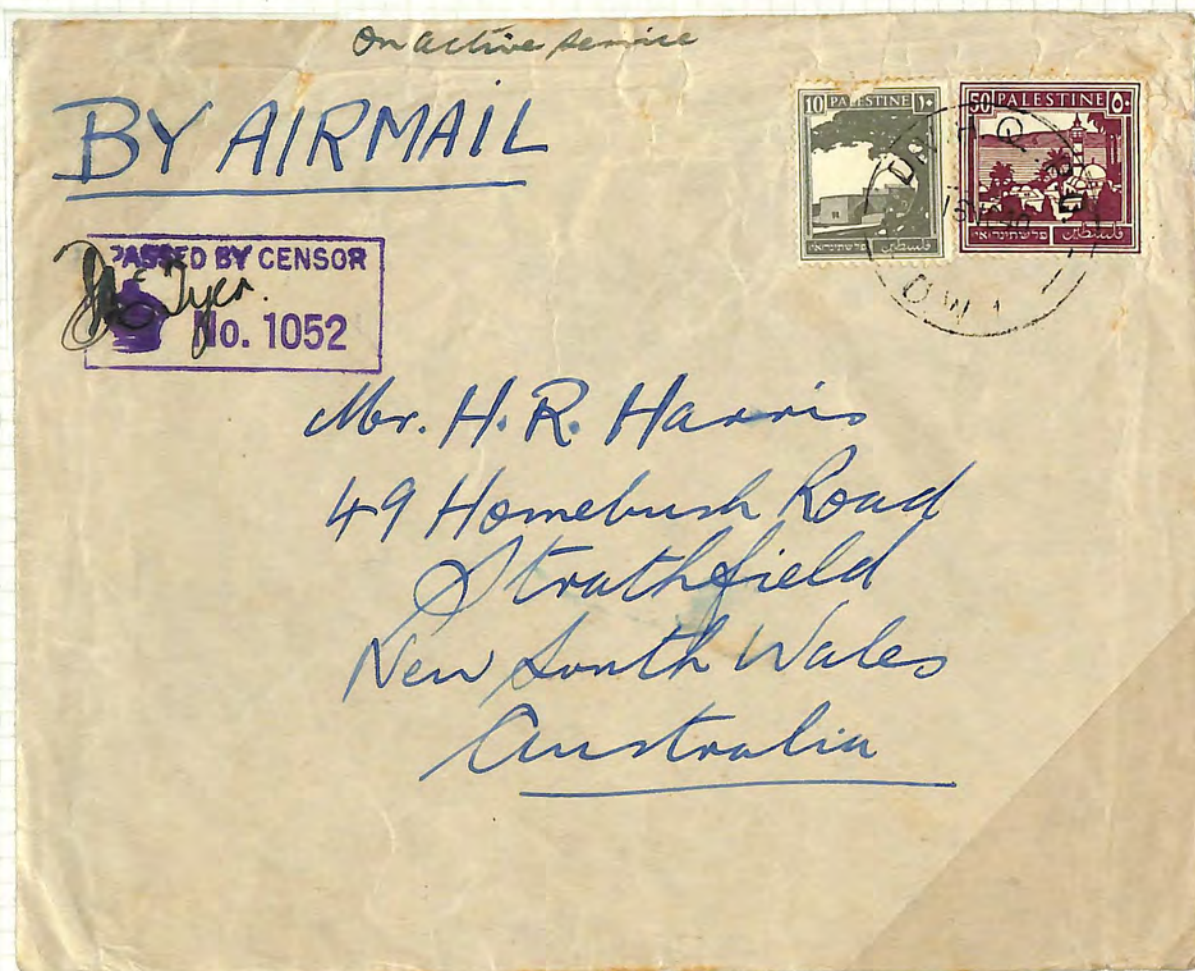
[Up to the
Cover, but these must be all from the same
writer. The cover should be addressed in such
case to the Base Censor.]

Address :—

Mr S. Malcolm
3 Northumberland St.
Mary Hill
Newcastle N.S.W.
Australia

ACTIVE SERVICE envelope to New South Wales, Australia. No Air Mail designation but 60 mils in Palestine stamps for that service. Post mark - BASE P.O. - B.W.I. - 16NO40. On this date - Sub A.P.O., GAZA, Palestine. Red rectangular Censor cachet. (Type 2 cancel).

THE AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE (AIF)
IN PALESTINE 1940 - 1943



AIR MAIL to New South Wales, Australia. Correct postage of Palestine 60 mls. Post mark - DIV.H.Q. P.O. - D.W.L. - 16NO40 (7th DIV. P.U.). At this time located at BARBARA, Palestine. Violet "PASSED BY CENSOR" rectangular cachet. Censor signed. (Type "a" postmark).

THE AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE (AIF)
IN PALESTINE 1940 - 1943



AIR MAIL to Victoria, Australia. All the above stamps equal the correct rate at the time of 60 mils. Post mark - BASE P.O. - B.W.I. - 30N040. Located at GAZA, Palestine as Sub B.P.O. (Type "b" post mark - no period after "O"). Violet rectangular Censor cachet.

With the exception of the 10 and 15 mils stamps, the other stamps would not have been sold at the Army Canteens but at the civilian post offices.

THE AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE (AIF)
IN PALESTINE 1940 - 1943

A small quantity of 9d Australian stamps arrived but it quickly became exhausted. At this point, the Palestine authorities came to the rescue with supplies of their stamps. They charged the Australian's only for the printing costs. These stamps were of the 15 mils. Two - 15 mils = 30 mils which = 9d Australian. The correct amount for air mail. These 15 mils were sold in the Australian Army Canteens.

They were sold in pairs as one (1) stamp.



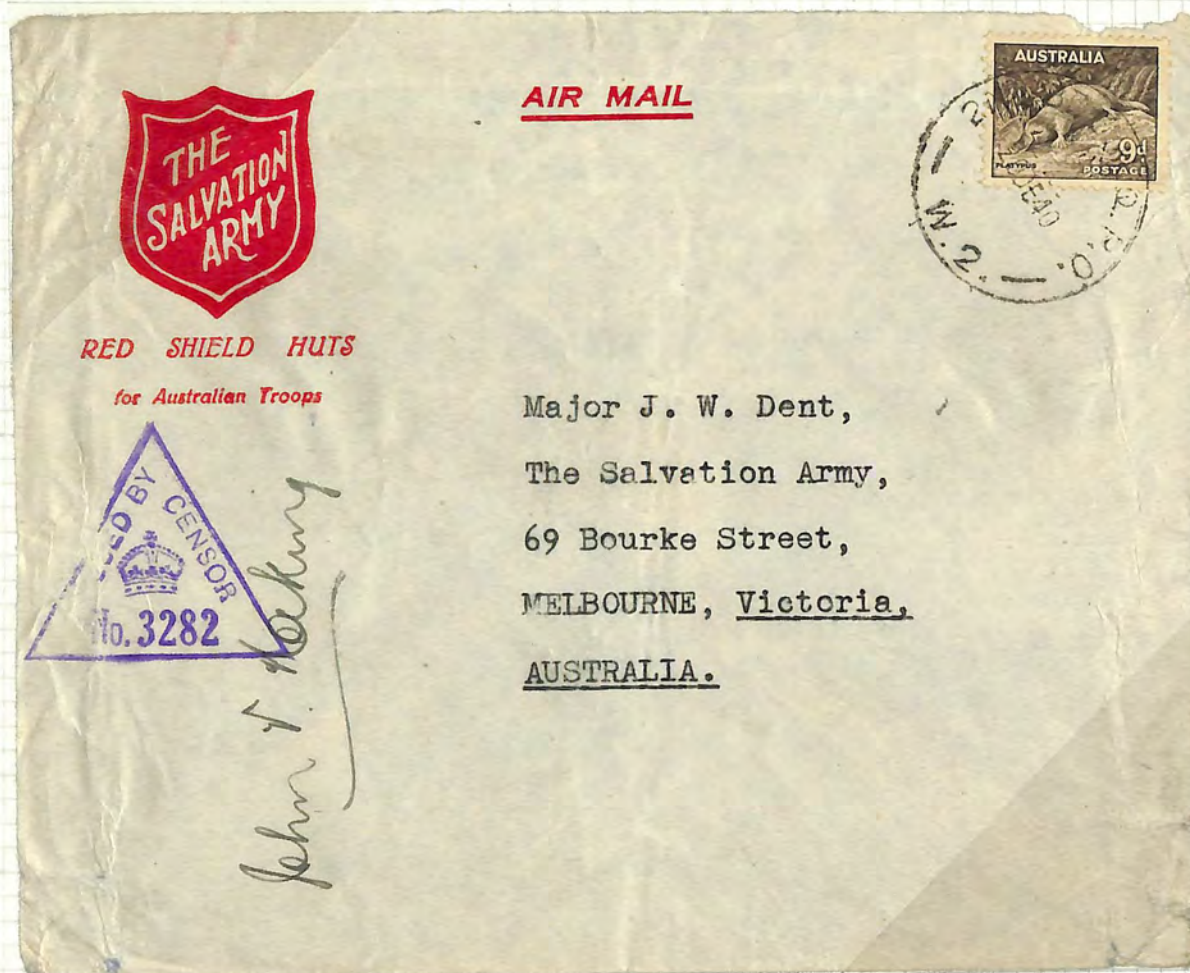
Salvation Army Air Mail cover to Melbourne, Australia. Post Mark - 3 times - BASE P.O. - B.W.I. - 6DE40. (Sub-B.P.O.) - at GAZA, Palestine. Violet PASSED BY CENSOR cachet.

THE AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE (AIF)
IN PALESTINE 1940 - 1943



AIR MAIL to Richmond, Australia. Correct postage - 2 x 15 mils = 9d Australian air mail. Post mark - 1ST BDE. H.Q.P.O. - P.I. - 16DE40. Violet rectangular "Australian Imperial Force" Censor cachet. This unit was located at KILO 89, Palestine. (Type "a" post mark).

THE AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE (AIF)
IN PALESTINE 1940 - 1943



Salvation Army Air Mail Cover to Melbourne
Australia with correct Australian 9d postage.
Postmark: 2nd BDE.HQ.P.O. - W.2 - 20 DE 40.
Palestine triangular Censor No. 3282, signed.
Type "K" postmark. Reverse - blank.

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IN PALESTINE 1940 - 1943



Air Mail to Sydney, Australia with correct Australian 9d postage. Post mark -F.P.O. - E.609 - 10FE41. Located at HILL 69, Palestine. Violet triangular Censor cachet.

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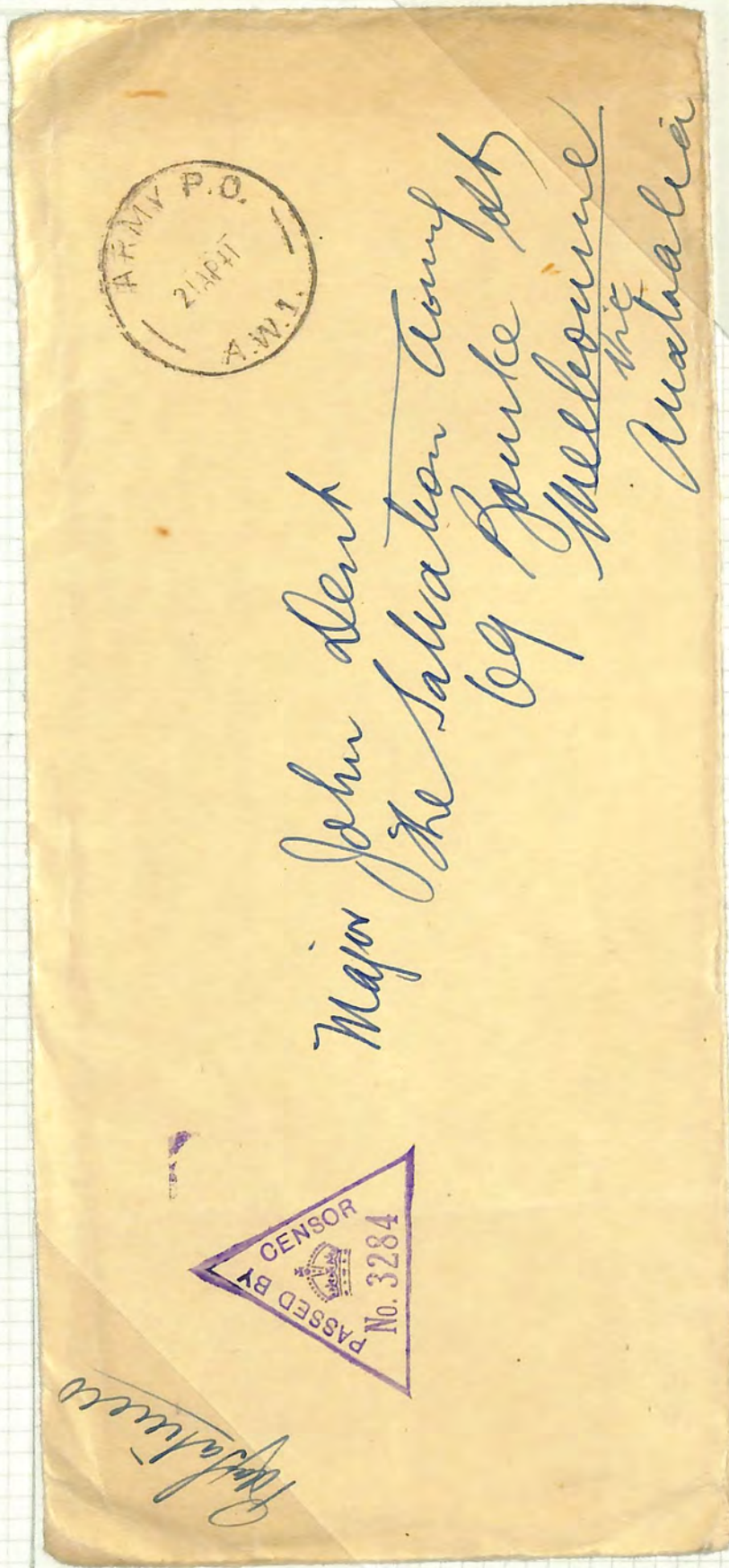
By Dec. 9th, 1940, an adequate supply of Australian stamps arrived. These were of the 9d Platypus design.



AIR MAIL to New South Wales, Australia. For postage on air mail, the Australian 9d Platypus issue was now available. Post mark - DIV.H.Q. P.O. -D.W.1.- -FE41 (7th Division P.U.) At time of date in BARBARA, Palestine. Triangular Censor in violet cachet.

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Surface Mail Postage Free by Active Military Soldier to Melbourne, Australia. Post mark of ARMY P.O. - A.W.1. - 21AP41. Located at time in BEIT JIRJA, Palestine. Violet triangular Censor cachet. (Type "b" post mark).



THE AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE (AIF)
IN PALESTINE 1940 - 1943



Salvation Army Cover used by Military personnel.
Air Mail to Melbourne, Australia. Post mark of -
F.P.O. - E.611 - 28MA41 on Australian 9d stamp.
Situated in JULIS, Palestine for 5 months only.
Blue/violet rectangular "Australian Imperial
Force" Censor cachet.

THE AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE (AIF)
IN PALESTINE 1940 - 1943



Air Mail to Sydney, Australia. The 9d(pence) postage was correct rate for air mail. Post mark - 1ST BDE. H.Q.P.O. - P.1 - 24JE41. This postal unit was at KILO 89, Palestine at this time. Violet triangular Censor cachet. (Typ2 "b" hand mark).

THE AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE (AIF)
IN PALESTINE 1940 - 1943



Free Surface Mail To A.I.F. ABROAD. (Unknown destination). Post mark of - 2ND BDE.H.Q.P.O. - W.2. - 25JE41. Based at KHASA, Palestine. Violet triangular Censor cachet; a second Black triangular Censor cachet and signed. (Type "b" post mark).

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IN PALESTINE 1940 - 1943



Air Mail to Melbourne, Australia with 9d for correct
air mail rate. Post mark - RAILHEAD P.O. - R.W.I. -
8Jy41. (At time 7th Division Post Unit), located at
DEIR SUNEID, Palestine. Violet triangular Censor
cachet.

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IN PALESTINE 1940 - 1943



Air Mail - Melbourne, Victoria, Australia to Jerusalem
Melbourne post mark of 1 Aug 1941. Re-directed to
"FAST HOTEL, Jerusalem." Apparently re-directed to
BASE P.O. B.W.I. - 15AU41 9(a Sub-Base P.O. at GAZA,
Palestine). Three different violet Censor cachets
on front.

On the reverse - arrival post mark - M.P.O. - E.608 -
19AU41. On this date located at KANTARA, Sinai.
Color Label-Australian Comforts Fund, Donations
Urgently required.

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IN PALESTINE 1940 - 1943

In July, 1941, Air Mail Letter Cards were introduced, which allowed a short message, on a special form, to be sent by air to Australia for 3d.



Air Mail Letter Card to Victoria, Australia. Post mark of 1ST. BDE.H.Q.P.O. - P.1. - 19AU41. Located at KILO 89, Palestine. Faint violet Censor cachet. (Type 2 post mark).

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Air Mail "Australian Red Cross Society - Official envelope to HOBART, Australia, with 9d stamp. Post mark - BASE P.O. - B.W.I. - 19AU41. At this time in GAZA, Palestine. Violet triangular Censor and "Australian Red Cross Society" single line cachets.

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IN PALESTINE 1940 - 1943



Air Mail to Melbourne, Australia. Salvation Army cachet on "A.C.F." envelope. Platypus 9d stamp for rate with post mark - A.I.F. FIELD P.O. - No 10. - 9SE41. Unit stationed at HILL 69, Palestine. Violet triangular Censor cachet. (Type "a" post mark).

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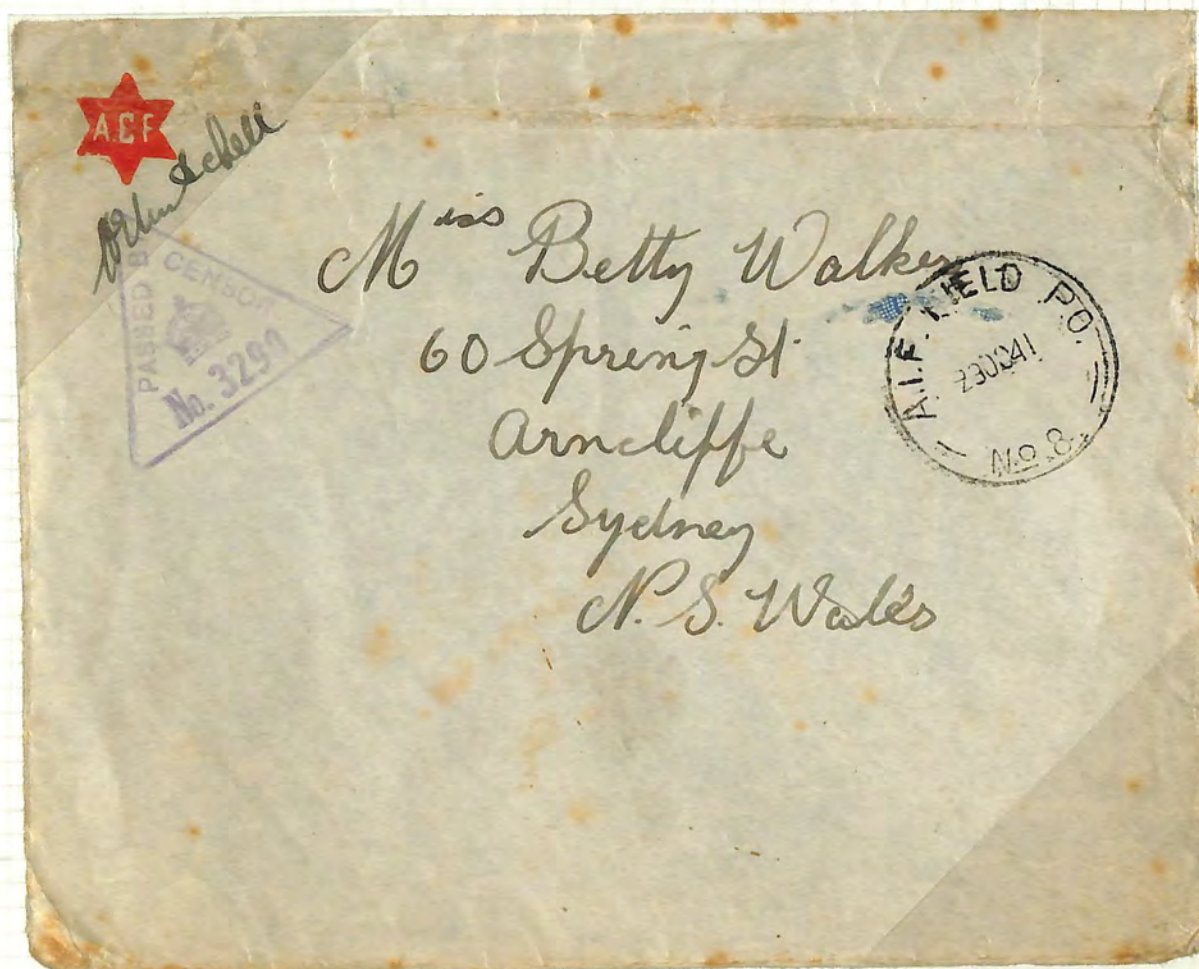
A.C.F. (Australian Comfort Fund) cover free of postage to Jerusalem. Post mark of BASE P.O. - S.W.1. - 170041. This time at GAZA, Palestine. (Type "b" post mark - no period after "O" in "P.O." Triangular violet Censor cachet.

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On Active Service - Surface mail to Perth, Western Australia. Free rate for surface mail. Post Mark 26 DEC 42. A.I.F. FIELD P.O. - No. 10. Situated at HILL 69, Palestine. Violet circular Censor cachet. Type "a" mark.

THE AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE (AIF)
IN PALESTINE 1940 - 1943



Surface mail "Free" to Sydney, N.S. Wales.
Postmarked: A.I.F. Field P.O. - No.8 -
290C41. At Nazeiret on this date. Triangular
violet censor mark. Type "a" postmark.
Reverse - blank

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IN PALESTINE 1940 - 1943



Australian Registered to Jerusalem. The rate for this service for Australian Military was 3d. The post mark - 2Nd BDE HQQ.P.O. - W.2. - 8ND41. Located at time in QASTINA. Violet AUST. ARMY POSTAL SERVICES cachet with F.P.O. 41, Red'd No. 394. This Postal Unit was also located at QASTINA. Violet triangular Censor cachet.

Reverse - 2Nd BDE.H.Q.P.O. - W.2. 8ND41 and BASE P.O. - S.W.1. - 8ND41 post marks. Orange crosses front and back.

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Air Mail to Victoria, Australia. Australian 9d with 1ST. BDE.H.Q.P.O. -P.I. - 8N041 post mark. At KILO 89, Palestine at this time. Violet triangular Censor cachet.

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Air Mail to Melbourne, Australia. Correct
9d Platypus Australian issue. Postmarked
A.I.F. No. 5 - 27n041. Located at Barbara,
Palestine. Triangular violet censor No.1767,
signed. Reverse blank.

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IN PALESTINE 1940 - 1943



Air Mail to Sydney, Australia. Postage of 9d for rate; Post mark - "A .I.F. FIELD P.O. - 6 23DE41. Violet triangular Censor. At or close to MUGAZI on this date. (Type "a" post mark).