

The geographical position of the Dodecanese has always triggered the interest of various conquerors. In 1911, the Italian army while fighting the Ottomans in Tripolitania and Cyrenaica (now Libya), in an attempt to prevent them from transferring military troops there, succeeded in the gradual occupation of the islands starting from Astypalaia mid-April, 1912. On May 5, 1912, Italians occupied Rhodes and proceeded with the rest of the islands with Cos being the last to be conquered on May 20, 1912.

PERIOD I: 1912 - 1923. The Dodecanese Islands were under *Italian occupation*. Although the Turkish P.O. was no longer in operation, correspondence still continued via foreign P.O.s; from 5 until 10 May, as civilian mail was facilitated by the military naval P.O. and later, by the 6th Division P.O. too. Finally, the civilian P.O. was housed where the Turkish P.O. used to be and began operating on June 8, 1912

PERIOD II : 1923 - 1943 (Sept.9) After the Treaty of Sevres (10/08/1920), Turkey renounced all claims on Dodecanese and after the Treaty of Lausanne (24/07/1923), the Dodecanese islands became *part of the Italian territory*.

PERIOD III: 1943 (Sept.9) -1945 (May 8). On September 9, 1943 they officially but secretly signed the *armistice* between Italy and the Allies, which they had agreed on a few days before (September 3) and the civilian P.O. comes under the German military administration.



The exhibit presents the post offices and their services as organized by the Italians from 1912. The classification of the islands was based on their chronological occupation by the Italian forces. The closure of the Italian post office took place on 11.5.1945 with the establishment of the British post offices one month later. The Royal decrees on postage are presented in this order.

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1.STAMPALIA

PERIOD I :1912-1923 (Italian occupation)

Ca. 30 miles west of Cos, and at about the same distance from Amorgos. Population: 1.200 was the first island to be occupied by the Italians on April 28, 1912 with the help of cruiser-ships "PISA" and "AMALFI" under Admiral Leone Viale .

The Italian P.O. opened on June 26, 1912, in the seaside village of Chora, today Astypalea, because it was more convenient for transporting correspondence as opposed to the capital of the island, Livadia. During the opening of the P.O. and before the arrival of the normal Italian postmarks three temporary official postmarks were in issue. The handstamps were made onboard the ship "Vulcano" and were used for a **few days**. After them another five postmarks existed until 1943

12.06.1912



Postage free PPC to Milano cancelled with the

1st 3-line **Temporary** violet official pmk enclosed within a rectangular **POSTA / R° D'ITALIA / STAMPALIA**

2nd circular **Temporary** violet pmk with a Coat of Arms in the center **UFFICIO POSTALE STAMPALIA**

Unique up to the present, PPC cancelled with two temporary pmk's.

Was posted by the steamship, cancelled on board with the pmk of the ship

cds **SCILLA* PIROSCAFO POSTALE ITALIANO * 12 GIU. 12.**

18.07.1912



The P.O. in the first days did not have stamps, since the first came from Italy on 22/09/1912.

The military correspondence was forwarded also by the civilians P.O.

Postage free PPC to Rome, cancelled with the **3rd** 3-line **Temporary** violet military pmk enclosed within a rectangular **POSTA MILITARE / R° D'ITALIA / STAMPALIA** and the **1st** civilian rubber pmk cds **POSTE ITALIANE STAMPALIA** (Egeo) 18 LUG. 1912.

01.08.1912

Destination Genoa
Arrival mark on reverse
on 05.08.1912.

The cover was mailed and
stamped by the steamship
PEO LUIGINO ACCAME-GENOVA
Cancelled with the oval lilac
hand stamp top right.

Domestic rate: (1905-1913)
ROYAL DECREE (R.D.)
06.10.1905 n° 519
Letter 15c., Registration 25c.

Franked at the correct rate
of a 10c. (Type Leoni),
vertical pair of 15c.
(Type Michetti)
Italian stamps
Total rate 40c.

*This rubber pmk type for
ordinary mails is the
first and same in
all the Dodecanese P.Os.
(issued from 1912-1913)*



Cds **POSTE ITALIANE STAMPALIA (Egeo) -1 AGO.1912**, ordinary rubber pmk (1st type).
Registration 2-line rubber mark R: **POSTE ITALIANE / STAMPALIA (Egeo)** on label n° 233. (1st type).

18.02.1913

30%



Destination Constantinople
Arrived at the Italian P.O.
on 13.MAR.1913.

International rate:
(1907-1920)
ROME ACCORDS OF 1906
Letter (15g) 25 c.,
for 2nd weight (29g) 25c.
registration 25 c.,

Franked with
correct rate of 3 X 25c
overprinted **Stampalia**
Italian stamps (type Michetti).

Registration
2-line mark (2nd type)
R: **POSTE ITALIANE / STAMPALIA (Egeo)** on label n° 9.
(Variation in lettering
with the 1st type).

Cds **POSTE ITALIANE STAMPALIA (Egeo) 18 FEB.1913**
The Postmark was deformed due to the use of Indian ink and was repaired.

12.06.1916

Arrival marks on reverse
in Milan on 04.08.1916
via Rhodes on 25.07.1916

Domestic rate: 1916
(R.D. 21.11.1915 n° 1643)
Printed matter 2c.
Registration 10c.
(The envelope traveled
as a printed matter
as indicated on the upper left
handwriting "Stampe").

Franked at the correct rate
of a 2c. (type Floral)
and a 10c. (type Leoni) stamps
overprinted **Stampalia**

Lilac censorship marks on pair
CENSORE N.2 and boxed
2-line **VERIFICATO/PER CENSURA**



Cds **POSTE ITALIANE*STAMPALIA (EGEO) 12.6.16**, metal pmk 2nd type
Registration 1-line mark **Stampalia** 3rd type (this type of italic writing is found only on that island).

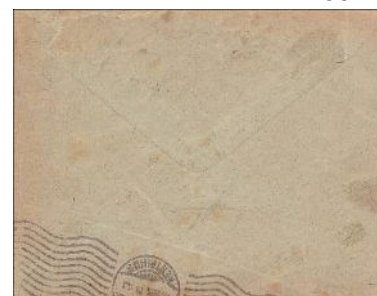
18.06.1919



Cds **POSTE ITALIANE*STAMPALIA (EGEO) 18.6.19**
Olive boxed 2-line censorship mark **VERIFICATO PER CENSURA / CENSORE N I -- RODI (EGEO)**.

Arrival mark on reverse
in Athens on 25.06.1919.

35%



International rate: 1907-1921
(Rome Accords of 1906)
Letter 25c.

Franked at the correct rate of
a **Stampalia** overprinted stamp
of 25c. (Type Michetti).

1.STAMPALIA

PERIOD II, 1923-1943 (Italian Territory).

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29.04.1942

Prov. **LECCE** UFF. **STAMPALIA-EGEO B**

AMMINISTRAZIONE DELLE POSTE

VAGLIA N° 40

di L. **37** : —

L. **trentasette** cent: —

pagabile nell'Ufficio di **Rodi**

a favore del Sig. **Ufficio Vice Governatore**

Stampalia li 29-4-1942 A. XX EF.

ISTITUTO POLIGRAFICO DELLO STATO

Middle part Postal M.O. for 37L. with the letter **B** in the upper right which was left at the P.O. where the check was paid.

Arrival pmk on reverse in Rhodes on 06.05.1942.

Domestic rate: 1940-1944
R.D. 23.05.1940 n° 759
Printed matter 10c.
and for (25L. until 50L. = 80c.)

Cancelled with the code number of Stampalia **70/38**.

LECCE mark indicates that Rhodes main post office had come under this province of Italy.

Unique up to the present.

Cds **VAGLIA F RISPARMI * STAMPALIA (EGEO) * 29-4.42-XX-9**.
Only this type of M.O. pmk existed after 1940 in Stampalia.

19.05.1941

GIOVANNI ANAGNOSTU
COMMERCIAnte
STAMPALIA (Egeo)

Signori
Fratelli Calomenn

Verificato per censura

Rodi

Stampalia (Egeo)

Cds **STAMMPAIA*(EGEO)*19-5.41-XIX-9** (1st ordinary pmk type of Period II)
Arrival pmk on reverse in Rhodes on 22.05.1941.

Domestic rate: 1940-1944 R.D. 23.05.1940 n° 759 Letter 50c., Air mail 50c.
Franked with correct pear stamps of 50c. (type Pittorica). Total rate 1L.
Lilac censorship 1-line mark **Verificato per censura**.

03.07.1943

UFF. **STAMPALIA-EGEO**

Ricevuta
del Vaglia N. **65**
di L. **5000** : —

pagabile a **noch**

a favore di **S/A.**

Veri

Tassa L. 20,00

Stampalia (Egeo)

Receipt of a remittance cds **STAMPALIA EGEO*-3.7.43XXI** same pmk type as the adjacent with differences in lettering.

2.RHODES ISLAND

PERIOD I :1912-1923 (Italian occupation)

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2.1.1 The foreign P.Os that operated after the occupation of Rhodes by the Italian army.

Before the Italian P.O. opened, but also during its operation, mail was circulated by the Austrian, French and Russian P.O. while the Turkish P.O. closed immediately after the occupation of the island.

06.03.1913



The Austrian P.O.
closed earlier on 15/12/1914
since Austria and Italy
were not allies with the
outbreak of WW1.

Arrival mark on reverse
In Gouda (Holland)
on 12.03.1913.

Franked with a Austria
Levant of 1 piastra
Ottoman occupation
(issue 1906-1907)
1pi ~ 25 Italian cent.

Austrian P.O. followed
the Italian postage.
International rate:
(Period 1907-1921)
Letter 25c.

Cds **b RHODUS ÖSTERR. POST 6.3.13** pmk type issued 1904-1914 during the Italian occupation.

24.07.1918



The French P.O.
closed in 1924.

Arrival mark on reverse
in Piraeus on 03.09.18
There was a chronological
difference between Greece
and Italy
(Greece used the Julian
Calendar until 1923).
Correct arrival date
19.08.1918.

Franked with a 50c.
Overprinted **2 PIASTRES**
French Levant stamp
(issue 1902).

French P.O. followed
the Italian postage.
International rate:
(Period 1907-1921)
Letter 25c., registration 25c.

Censor 2-line mark of WWI
VERIFICATO PER CENSURA
CENSORE N.º1



Cds **RHODES TURQUIE-D' ASIE 24-7.18** the pmk type is the 1st after the Italian occupation
Registration 1-line mark **RHODES** on label N° 31.

2.1.2 Temporary service of civilian correspondence by the 6th Division Military P.O.

PERIOD I :1912-1923 (Italian occupation)

Rhodes island is situated at the south-eastern end of the Aegean Sea.
Population: estimated at between 38.000 and 40.000 during the Ottoman years.
On May 5, 1912, the town of Rhodes was occupied by the Italian military forces under General Amelio.
Population: Rhodes Town 22.000.

On May 10, 1912, five days after the Italians occupied Rhodes, the military P.O. of the 6th Division was established. It opened in the main barracks, where the Archaeological Museum is today.
The mail from the Italian servicemen was free, while the civilian correspondence was accepted only if franked with Italian stamps (until June 7, 1912).

17.05.1912

Destination Linz (Austria)
arrival mark on reverse
on 29.05.1912.

International rate:
(1907-1920)
Rome Accords of 1906
Letter 25c.

Franked with
correct postage of a 25c.
Italian stamp
(Type Michetti)

*The letter was
posted seven days
after the military P.O.
opened.*



General G. Amelio
7.5.1912 - 14.10.1913

Cds **POSTE MILITARE 6^A DIVISIONE 17 MAG 12.** (1st Type).

49%



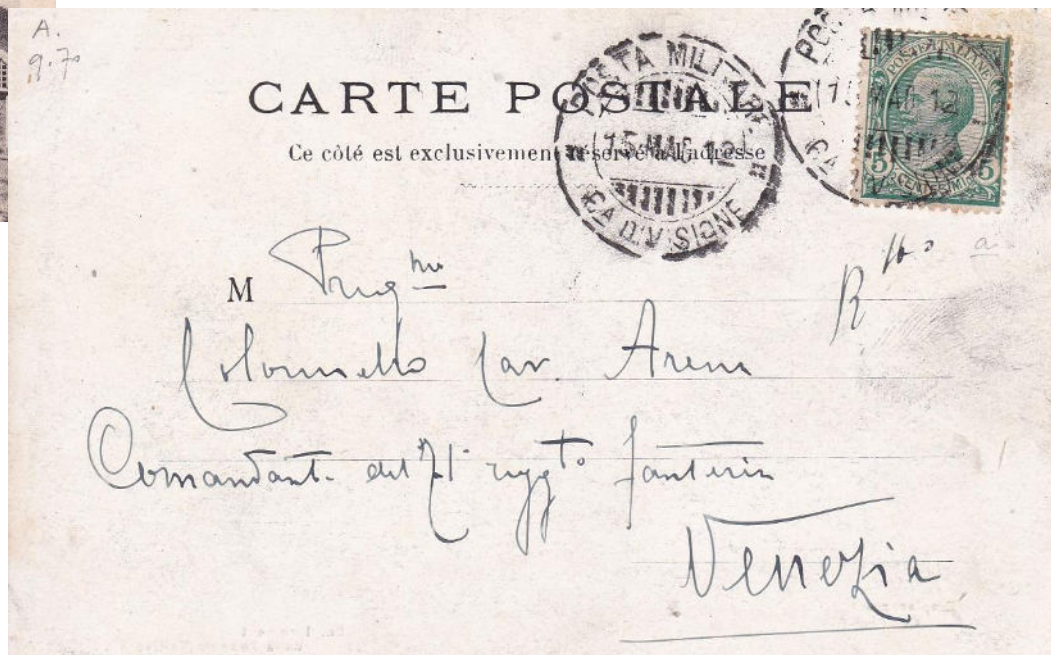
The building where the P.O. of the
"6A DIVISIONE" was housed. Today
it houses the Archeological Museum.

*The PPC was posted
to Venice, five days after
the military P.O. opened.*

Domestic rate: (1905-1913)
R.D. 6.10.1905 n° 519
Post card with five words 5c.

Franked with correct postage of a
a 5c. Italian stamp (Type Leoni).

15.05.1912



Cds **POSTE MILITARE 6^A DIVISIONE 15 MAG 12.** (1st Type).

2.1.2 Temporary service of civilian correspondence by the 6th Division Military P.O.

On 7 June 1912, the Royal Prosecutor announced in writing the opening of a civilian P.O., that was to operate by the next day in the ex-Turkish P.O. premises and carry out all postal services. In the same document it was noted that, in the future, the military post office was only to serve the army. 

R. Governo Italiano

Da domani 8 Giugno sarà aperto al pubblico
l'ufficio postale - civile italiano, nei locali
dell'ex ufficio ottomano -
L'ufficio postale - Militare servirà esclusivamente
la truppa -
I militari potranno rivolgersi all'ufficio civile
per le operazioni non consentite dal Regolamento
della Posta Militare: (assicurate - aperture di libretti
di risparmio - pacchi con dichiarazione di valore,
con assegno, ingombranti - riscossioni per conto
di terzi - ecc.)
Rodi 8 Giugno 1912

Ufficio Postale
Scanderi



Il R. Commissario
per l'Amministrazione Civile dell'Isola -
Gianantonio Malley

Cds **POSTE MILITARE 6^A DIVISIONE - 7. GIU. 12.**
The official document establishing the
civilian post-office a day before operating.
Unique up to the present.

The Civilian Italian P.O.
was housed
in the position "Kolona".



Rodi - Dogana e Poste Italiane

2.2 Rhodes Town civilian P.O.

PERIOD I :1912-1923 (Italian occupation)

The Italian military administration decided by decree on 10.09.1912 that the postal rates should be the same as those in force in Italy. From 08/06/1912 since 22/09/1912 Italian stamp edition 1901 - 1911 (without an overprint) were used. The P.O. opened on June 8, 1912.

23.07.1912



Destination Prato (Italy)
Arrival mark on reverse on 30.07.1912.

Domestic rate:(1905-1913)
R.D. 6.10.1905 n° 519
Letter (20g.) 15c.,
registration 25c.

Franked with the correct postage of a 40c.
Overprinted
Tripoli di Barberia
Italian stamp (Type Michetti)
(The sender had bought it from Libya and used it in Rhodes).



Cds **POSTE ITALIANE RODI (Egeo) 23 LUG 1912**, ordinary rubber pmk (1st type).
Registration 2-line mark R: **POSTE ITALIANE / RODI (Egeo)** on label n° 269 (1st type).

Destination Tripoli
(Libya were under Italian occupation).

Domestic rate:
(Period 1.9.1905-1913)
card with 5 words 5cent.

Greek PPC
Franked with the correct postage of a 5 c.
Italian stamp (type Leoni).

Sender the Rhodian cigarette company cancelled with the private marking
MONOPOLIO-ITALIANO-TABACCHI-RODI



20.06.1912

Cds **POSTE ITALIANE RODI (Egeo) 20 GIU 1912**.

The above Postmark was altered and was repaired. (15/6/1912 – 30/6/1912).

2.2 Rhodes Town civilian P.O.

PERIOD I :1912-1923 (Italian occupation)

On 22/09/1912 two Italian stamps (type Michetti), one of 25 cent (edition 1907) and another of 50 cent (edition 1908) were overprinted with "EGEO". In order to compete with the postage rates of Levant foreign P.O.s still existing in Dodecanese, these stamps were sold for 20 and 40 cents accordingly.

18.11.1912

30%



Destination Constantinople.
Transfer done from Austria
P.O. on 24.11.1912.

International rate:
(Period 1907-1921)
Letter 25c, registration 25c.
and 2nd weight 10c.

Franked with one 25c
and one 50c overprinted EGEO
Italian stamps (type Michetti)
sale price 20c and 40
respectively (total rate 60c.)

The metal pmk (type Guller)
is the second of Period I
issued 05.09.1912 until 1930
for ordinary mail.

In our case it was used
as registered, because
the pmk for registered was
issued a few days later.

Cds **POSTE ITALIANE*RODI (EGEO) 18.11.12** (2nd type)
2-line registration marking R: RODI (EGEO) / POATE ITALIANE on label n° 290 (2nd type).

31%

15.08.1912



The addressee was a
Turkish prisoner in Lucca, Italy
Arrival on 20.08.1912.

Domestic rate:
(Period 1905-1913)
Letter 15c., registration 25c.

Franked with
correct postage of a 40c.
Italian stamp (type Michetti).

In Period I, only this type
of postmark stamp was issued
1912 until 1930
for registered letters and only
from the P.O. of Rhodes.



Cds **POSTE ITALIANE RACCE ASSTE RODI (EGEO) 15.8.12**.
Registration 2-line rubber marking R: **POSTE ITALIANE / RODI (Egeo)** on label n° 389. (1st type).

On 26.09.1912 Italian stamps of 1901 until 1911 issues were overprinted with the name of each island ("Rodi", "Stampalia" etc.). These stamps were in use up until 1923.

24.06.1913



Destination Asmara (Eritrea)
arrival on 10.07.1913
via Brindisi 29.06.19

Domestic rate: (Period 1905-1913)
Letter 15c. registration 25c.
and second weight 15c.
(Eritrea was an Italian colony)

Franked with 5c., 10c. (type Leoni)
50c. sale price 40c. (type Michetti)
overprinted with **Rodi** Italian stamps.

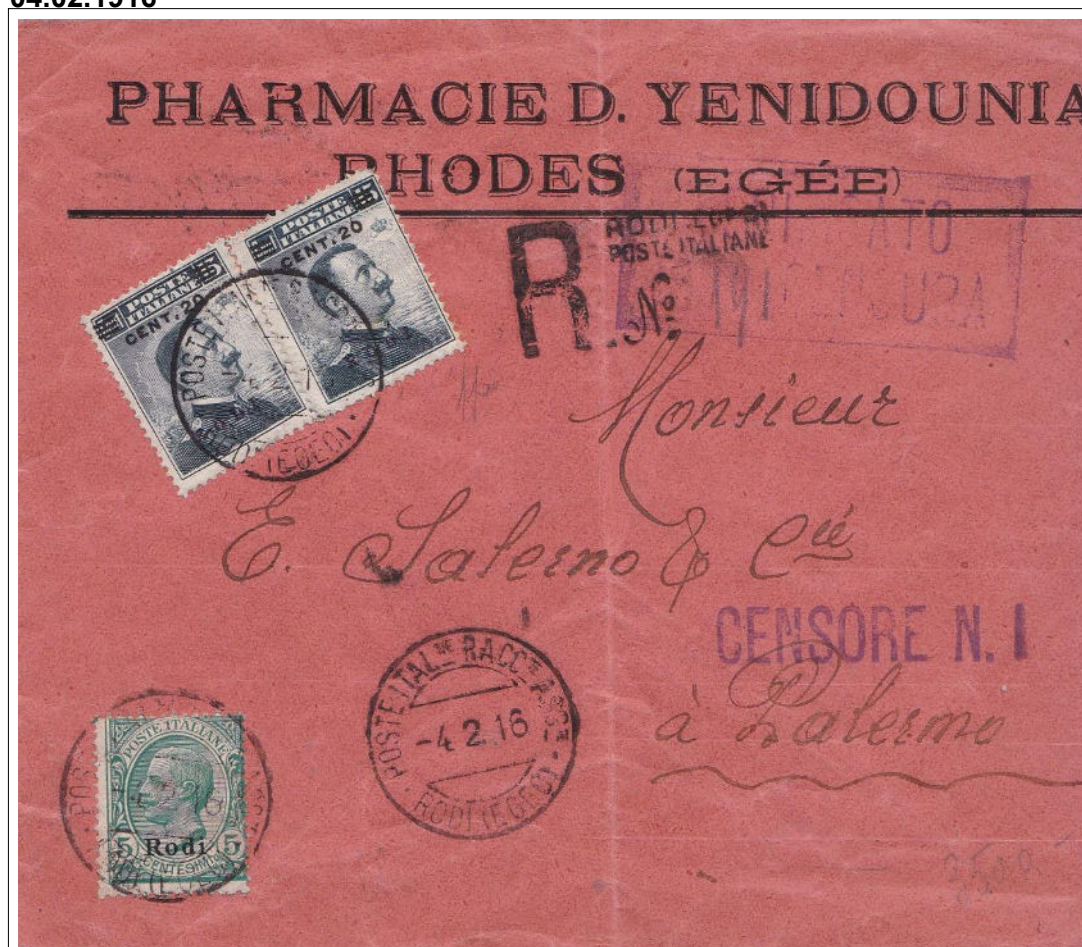
The letter doesn't have
registration Label



Cds **POSTE ITALIANE RACCE ASSI RODI (EGEO) 24.6.13**, registration pmk

At the end of 1915, an increase in postal rates from 15c. to 20c. took place in Italy. The P.O. in Rhodes during this time used Italian stamps of 20c. (without overprint) while waiting to receive the overprint stamps with the new postal rate.

04.02.1916



The stamp (type Michetti)
overprinted with **CENT.20**
new postal rate arrived in
Rhodes P.O. on January 1916

Destination in Palermo
Arrival marking on reverse
on 14.2.1916.

Domestic rate:(1916-1918)
R.D. 21.11.1915 n° 1643
Letter 20c., Registration 25c.

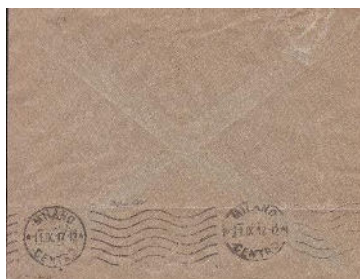
Franked with the correct rate
Horizontal pair of Italian
(Type Michetti)
unwatermarked overprint stamps
with "**CENT 20**" (new rate)
surcharged "**RODI**" and
one 5c. overprinted **Rodi**
(Type Leoni). (Total rate 45c.).

Censored in Rhodes
with the 1-line **CENSORE N.1**
and the 2-line
inside the rectangular
VERIFICATO / PER CENURA
violet markings on pair.

Cds **POSTE ITALIANE RACCE ASSI RODI (EGEO) -4.2.16** Period I, registration pmk
Registration marks **R.N.** serial number N° 191 and 2-line **RODI(EGEO) / POSTE ITALIANE(C)**.

32%

12.08.1917



Destination Milan
Arrival marking on reverse
on 11.09.1917.

Domestic rate:
(Period 1.1.1916-31.7.1918)
R.D. 21.11.1915 n° 1643
(New rate) Letter 20c.

Franked with the correct rate
of a 20c. Italian stamp
(Type Floreal) without overprint.

The cover was censored
with the 2- line boxed censor
mark in red of WW I

**VERIFICATO PER CENSURA /
CENSORE N. 1.**



Cds **RODI*(EGEO)** 12.8.17 3rd Ordinary pmk (type A).

29.02.1921

36%



PPC Greek edition with arrival cds **RODI * (EGEO) * -5.3.21**, 3rd Ordinary pmk (type B)
Pmk types 3/A and 3/B are the same but they have variation in size and lettering.
The cart is cancelled with the last circle type France pmk with anchor in the center
CASTELORIZO*OCCUPATION FRANCAISE (issued 1920-1921).



Panoramic view of Castellorizo.

Domestic rate: (Period 1920-1921)
R.D. 25.1.1921 n° 44
Cart postal within the district 10c.

Franked with correct postage of
a France Levant stamp of 10c.

CASTELORIZO After the
Treaty of Serves in 1920,
the official handover of the island
from the French to Italian,
took place on March 1, 1921.

2.2 Rhodes Town civilian P.O.

PERIOD II :1923-1943 (Italian Territory)

With the Treaty of Lausanne in 1923 the Dodecanese became an Italian dominion PERIOD II and stamps were not no longer overprinted. Until 1929, needs were progressively covered by metropolitan stamps. Also, some of the postmarks of Period I were still in use during Period II.

24.08.1928

Destination Tortona
(Commune of Piermonte)
Arrival mark on reverse
on 31.08.1928 via Brindisi.

Domestic rate:(1927-1933)
R.D. 5.8.1927 n° 1416
Letter 50c,
Registration 1,25L
Air mail 50c

Franked with the correct rate.
Two horizontal
pairs of 25c and a single
of 1,25L. Italian stamps
(type Floreale) Total 2,25L.

It is the first pmk type of
Period II issued 1927-1940
for registered letters and
air mails. The capital letter **A**
at the bottom of the stamp
means Airline (AEREE).
From 1926,
communication between
Rhodes and Italy with
seaplanes had begun.



Cds **RACCOMANDATA ASS. RODI EGEO (A) 24.8.28**, 1st Register pmk of Period II.
1-line registration mark (1st type) **RODI EGEO** on label No145.

26.11.1929

Amministrazione delle Poste e dei Telegrafi d'Italia
Administration des Postes et des Télégraphes d'Italie

AVVISO
AVIS

DI RICEVIMENTO DE RÉCEPTION
di un (a) Lettera Raccomandata
d'un (a) Raccomandata
inserito sotto il N. 1213 dall'ufficio
enregistrato sous le N. 1213 au bureau
di Rodi
de 25/11
il 26 1929 e indirizzato
le 26 et adressé
al Sig. Amministratore di Tortona
a M.
a
a

Il sottoscritto dichiara che
Le soussigné déclare que

sopra indicato è stato regolarmente
suscensionné a été dûment

Bollo dell'ufficio distributore o pagatore

del destinatario
IL DIRETTORE DEI CONTROLLI
(Capitano Fiata Umberto)
del capo dell'ufficio distributore o pagatore
al capo del bureau distributeur ou payeur
Firma Fiata Umberto

(a) Oggetto raccomandato o di una lettera o di una lettera associata a un pacco postale. — (b) L'oggetto raccomandato o di una lettera o di una lettera associata a un pacco postale. — (c) L'oggetto raccomandato o di una lettera o di una lettera associata a un pacco postale.

Registered
letter receipt
notice (AR)
(Avis de
Reception).
Delivery to the
Court House
of Rhodes

Domestic rate:
(1927-1933)
Receipt 50c.

Franked with
correct postage
of 50c. stamp
(type Pittorica).

Cancelled with
the same as
above pmk
Cds
**RACCOMANDATA
ASS. RODI
EGEO (A) 26.11.29.**

PERIOD II :1923-1943 (Italian Territory)

12.12.1934

42%

Cds **RODI * EGEO * 12.12.34XIII**, Ordinary pmk (2nd type).Seal of the
Consulate of Greece.

Destination Ramleh (Egypt)
on 14.12.1934 via Alexandria
on the same day.

International rate: (1926-1935)
R.D. 15.10.1925 n° 1973
Letter 1.25Lire.

The letter was posted by
the Greek Consulate
franked with the correct rate
of a 1,25 Lire stamp
(type Pittorica).

30.5.1924

Wrapper stamped with the mark of the
newspaper of Rhodes
"IL MESSAGEGEO DI RODI"
sent to Athens on 30.5.24.

International rate: (1923-1926)
R.D. 17.12.1922 n° 1638
Wrapper 20c.

Franked at the correct rate
with a horizontal strip of four 5c.
"Leoni" stamps
cancelled with the postmark of Period I.

Cds **RODI*(EGEO) 30.5.24**
3rd Ordinary pmk (type A).



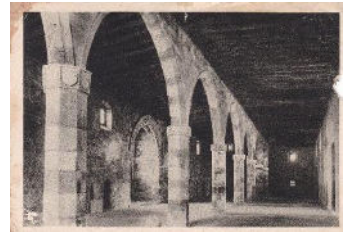
2.2 Rhodes Town civilian P.O.

PERIOD II :1923-1943 (Italian Territory)

On May 19,1929 the first and unique definitive issue of stamps "Pittorica" was in use.

19.04.1941

29%



Knights' hospital

PPC from Concentration Camp
(Campo di Concentramento)
on 19.04.1941 to Rhodes Town.

Domestic rate: 1940-1943
PPC within the district 20c.

Franked at the correct rate
of 20c. stamp (type Pittorica).

The card is censored with
Lilac 1-line censo mark

Verificato per censura – 4

cds RODI * (EGEO) * 19.4.41, 3rd Ordinary pmk type.

29.01.1942

Entire municipal document
Destination Melfi
(Potenza) on 11.02.1942.

Domestic rate:
(Period 1939-1942)
R.D. 23.5.1940 n° 759
For municipal mail 25c.

Franked with
correct postage
25c. "Pittorica" stamp.

Cancelled with the
official 3-line marking
RR. PP / MUNICIPIO / di RODI.



cds RODI * (EGEO) * 29.1.42, (Same postmark type as above with variation only in lettering).

2.2 Rhodes Town civilian P.O.

PERIOD II :1923-1943 (Italian Territory)

25.09.1932



Arrived in Roma on 29.9.1932
via Brindisi.27.9.1932.

The official envelope
was addressed
to the manager of the Bank
of Italy and was sealed with
bank wax
**BANCA D'ITALIA/
GILIE DI RODI/
DIREZIONE.**
(Excellent condition).

Domestic rate:
(Period 1927-1933)
R.D.5.8.1927 n° 1416
Letter 50c. (15g.)
Registration 1,25L.
Express 1,25L.

Franked with
correct postage
of a 1,75L. Italian stamp
(Type Dante Alighieri)
and a 1,25L.Express
(total rate 3,00L.).



cds **RACCOMANDATE . ASSICURATE . RODI * EGEO * 25.9.32X**
Registration 1-line marking **R: RODI (EGEO)** on label n° 3719
(This pmk was for Register and Insurance letters 2nd type).

06.02.1941

Receipt of a registered letter
cancelled with the same pmk.



05.11.1941



International Reply Coupon from
Cologne (Germany) cds **KÖLN 15.10.41**

International rate:
(Period 31.3.1935-31.8.1944) 2.50 L.
used in Rhodes

cds **RACCOMANDATE . ASSICURATE .
RODI * EGEO * -5.11.41XX.**

2.2.1 Postal Money Order Service

PERIOD II :1923-1943 (Italian Territory)

12.03.1925

ROYAL DECREE 10.9.1923 n° 2376
Postal money order for 100Lire from Rhodes
franked with two special
Italian stamps (Vaglia) 1L.+ 20c.

Domestic rate: (Period 1924-1940)
For (75L. to 100L.) = 1,20Lire

Only one Money order Postmark
Existed in the Period I, issued 05.09.1912
cds

POSTE ITALNE VAGLIA RISP^{MI} *RODI (EGEO) 12.3.25
code number of Rhodes (70/35).

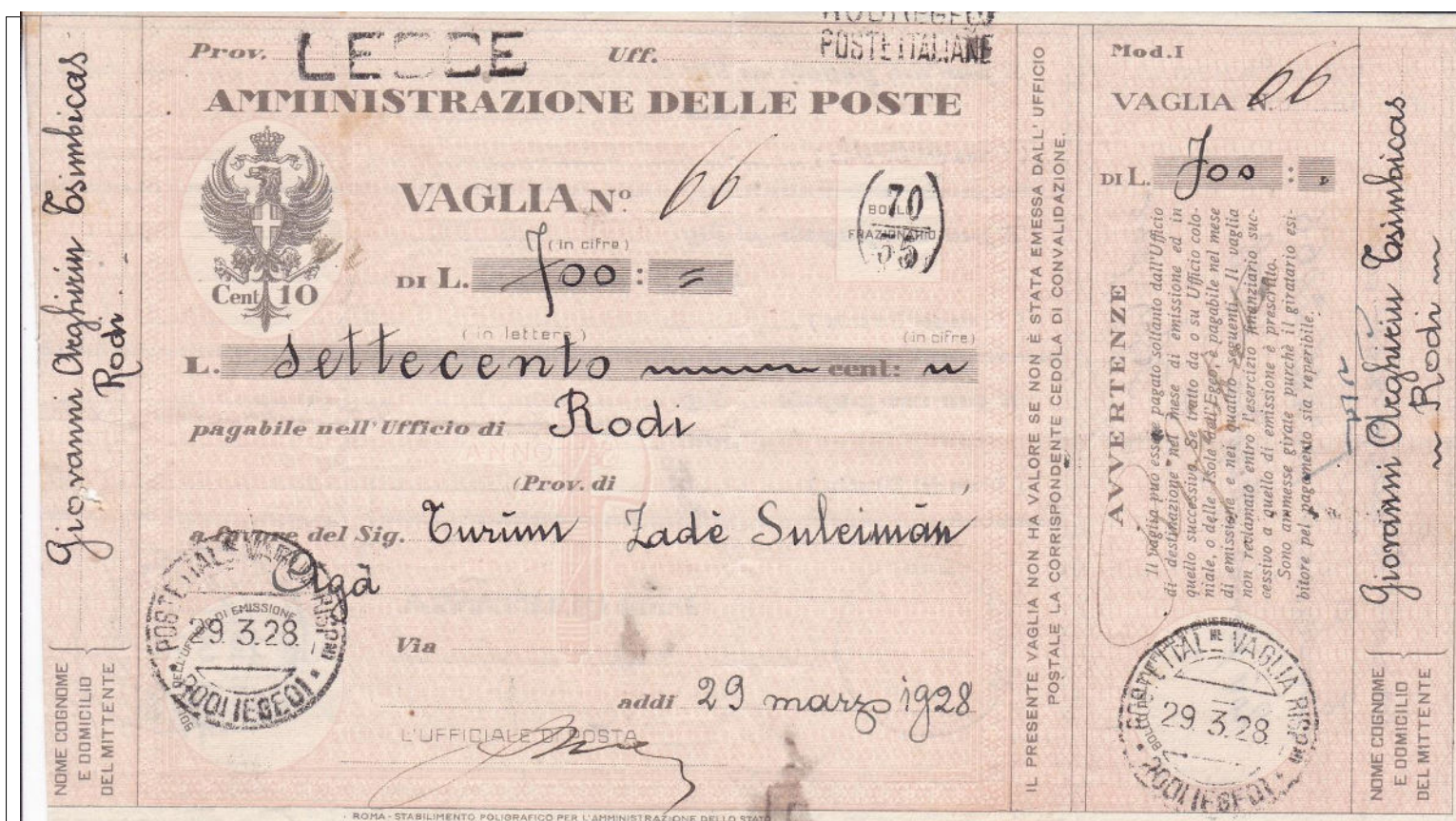
Register 2-line marking
RODI(EGEO) / POSTE ITALIANE

Arrival in Cormons on 23.03.1925

LECCE mark indicates that Rhodes
main post office had come under
this province of Italy.



29.03.1928



Complete check of 700 Lire from the central P.O. of Rhodes cancelled with the
same money order pmk stamp and the code number of Rhodes as the above M.O.
Unique up to the present (Presented in G. Zisimatos bibliography).



Data di ciascuna operazione			Indicazione delle operazioni (depositi o rimborsi) ed importo espresso in lettere	Depositi o rimborsi indicati in cifre	Firma dell'ufficiale di posta per ogni operazione	Bolli per ogni operazione
giorno	mezzo	anno				
19	I	1927	(1 ^a Operazione) Deposito quattromilaquattrocento trenta	4430	<i>[Signature]</i>	 3 ^a 4 ^a 5 ^a 6 ^a
26	III	1928	(2 ^a Op. n ^o) Rimborso quattromilaquattrocento trenta	4430	<i>[Signature]</i>	
			(b) Credito L.	NULLA		
			(3 ^a Op. n ^o)			
			(4 ^a Op. n ^o)			

AMMINISTRAZIONE DELLE POSTE
CASSE DI RISPARMIO POSTALI

N^o 6

Ricevuta di un deposito per la somma di L. 4430 inscritto dall'ufficio di 17000

addì 19-1-1927 sul libretto N. 4425 (70/35) intestato a Cavaliere Indignato Vaghi Post.

L'Ufficiale di posta *[Signature]*

AVVERTENZA IMPORTANTISSIMA

La presente ricevuta deve avere attaccati dalla parte sinistra uno o più listini di riscontro, l'ultimo dei quali (Segue a tergo)

Fin a Lire 6000
Fin a Lire 4000
Fin a Lire 2000
Fin a Lire 1000

The deposit receipt of 4,430 lire of the transaction in this postal saving book on 19.1.1927

(Mod. A - Ediz. Luglio 1926), Registro Mod. S. n^o pag. n^o

MINISTERO E SERVIZI ALL'ESTERO RODI (EGEO)

CASSE DI RISPARMIO POSTALI

Libretto N^o 04425 (70/35)

AVVERTENZE

La presente per i rimborsi deve essere presentata al ufficio che non abbia potuto di consenso dei Ministri essere rilasciata con la cedola cedente che l'ufficio stesso o il suo ufficio.

Copi libretto per raggiungere, mediante uno o più depositi, un risultato superiore per a L. 10.000, oltre gli interessi capitalizzati di, nel ogni modo, superiore di un'altra di somme maggiori, nel l'occasione delle L. 10.000 rimane inalterata.

Spazio per il cartellino numerato (1)

(1) Nel caso che il libretto venga spedito all'Amministrazione postale per la liquidazione degli interessi che si applica che non sia prima di scadenza del libretto stesso.

Front cover of the Postal savings book With No 04425 and the Postal code 70/35 of Rhodes.

The transactions were cancelled with the M.O. pmk, POSTE ITALIANE VAGLIA RISP. RODI (EGEO) 19.1.27 of Period I.

11.07.1920

N° 29

BOLO DELL'UFFICIO DI PARTENZA

Lire 2

COMUNICAZIONI
del mittente per destinatario

Ricevuta
del vaglia⁽¹⁾
di Lire⁽²⁾ due

a favore del Sig. M. M. M. M.

a M. M. M. M.

per conto del Sig. M. M. M. M.

L'Ufficiale di Posta

(1) Ordinario o telegrafico.
(2) Somma in tutte lettere.

Segue a tergo

29.12.1937

Amministrazione delle Poste e dei Telegrafi
Servizio dei conti correnti postali

Ricevuta di un versamento
di L. 10

Lire dieci
in lettere

eseguito da T.E.M.I.

Tabacchi Egoi Manifattura Italiana
sul c/c N° 3-25355

SEDE DI RODI (Egeo)
intestato a Opera Pia Orfanelli dell'Immacolata Concezione
Corso Genova, 4 - MILANO

Addi 29 DIC. 1937

Boillo lineare dell'ufficio accettante
RODI-EGEO

Cassa di L. 275

N. 60

L'Ufficiale di Posta

Bollo a data
dell'ufficio
accettante

La presente ricevuta non è valida se non porta nell'apposito spazio
il cartellino gommato numerato

Complete postal cheque cancelled with the M.O. pmk of Period I.

Receipt of remittance cancelled with the
M.O. pmk of Period II, (1st type issued 1930).

19.11.1941

UFF. RODI-EGEO

Ricevuta
del Vaglia N. 29
di L. 10 : 00

pagabile a Brigano

a favore di Francesco
Belciani

TASSA 040

BOLO DELL'UFFICIO
VAGLIA N. 29
L'UFF. DI POSTA
191141XX
RODI-EGEO

02.03.1942

Mod. I
VAGLIA N. 39

DI L. 1.366 : 00

AVVERTENZE
Il vaglia può essere pagato soltanto dall'Ufficio
di destinazione nel mese di emissione ed in
quello successivo. Se tratto da o su Ufficio colo-
niale, o delle Isole dell'Egeo, è pagabile nel mese
di emissione e nei quattro seguenti. Il vaglia
non reclamato entro l'esercizio finanziario suc-
cessivo a quello di emissione è prescritto.
Sono ammesse grate purché il giratario esi-
biti per pagamento sia reperibile

BOLO DELL'UFFICIO
VAGLIA N. 39
L'UFF. DI POSTA
191141XX
RODI-EGEO

NOME COGNOME
E DOMICILIO
DEL MITTENTE
Giorgio Benetian
Circo Mercato 41.04.05-66.04

Receipts of a remittance and a part of postal cheque cancelled with the M.O. pmk of Period II, (2nd type issued 1930).

*General rules for the postal service entrusted to the carabinieri,
in the interior of the island of Rhodes*

Norme Generali per il servizio Postale

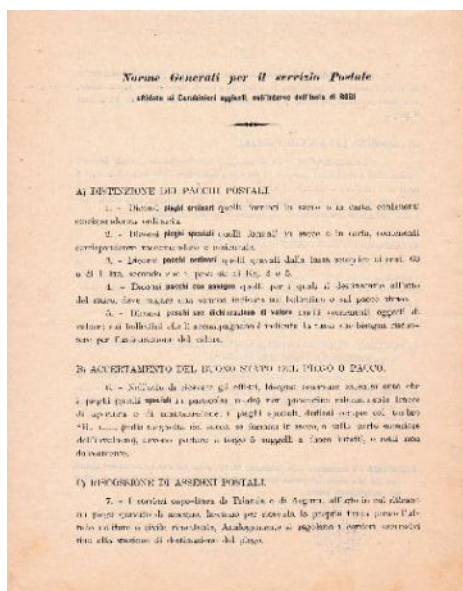
affidato ai Carabinieri aggiunti, nell'interno dell'isola di RODI

A) DISTINZIONE DEI PACCHI POSTALI.

1. - Diconsi **pieghi ordinari** quelli formati in sacco o in carta, contenenti corrispondenza ordinaria.
2. - Diconsi **pieghi speciali** quelli formati in sacco o in carta, contenenti corrispondenze raccomandate o assicurate.
3. - Diconsi **pacchi ordinari** quelli gravati dalla tassa semplice di cent. 60 o di 1 lira, secondo che il peso sia di Kg. 3 o 5.
4. - Diconsi **pacchi con assegno** quelli per i quali il destinatario all'atto del ritiro, deve pagare una somma indicata sul bollettino o sul pacco stesso.
5. - Diconsi **pacchi con dichiarazione di valore** quelli contenenti oggetti di valore; sui bollettini che li accompagnano è indicata la tassa che bisogna riscuotere per l'assicurazione del valore.

A. DISTINCTION OF POSTAL PARCELS
B. ASSESSMENT OF THE GOOD CONDITION
OF THE FOLD OR PACKAGE
C. COLLECTION OF POSTAL CHECKS

E. TAMPERING OR SUBTRACTION OF BENDS
F. PUNISHMENTS FOR TAMPERING OR THEFT OF FOLDERS,
OR FOR NEGLIGENCE IN THE POSTAL SERVICE
D. DELIVERY OF POSTAL PARCELS

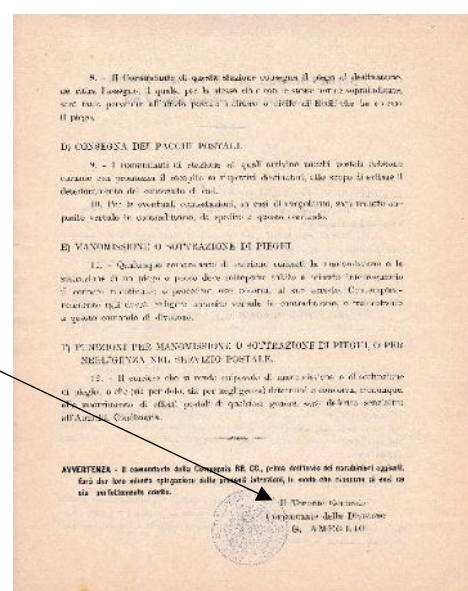


35%

These rules are cancelled with
the administrative stamp
"31^A DIVISIONE * STATO MAGGIORE"
"31 DIVISION * MAJOR STATE"
By the lieutenant General Commander
of the division **Gen. Giovanni Ameglio.**

*On May 5, 1912, Dodecanese was
occupied by the Italian military forces
under General Amelio
he was the first Governor,
7 May 1912-14 October 1913.*

35%



Reverse

2.2.2 Postal Parcel Service

PERIOD I :1912-1923 (Italian occupation)

01.07.1912

PP card (Edition 1906 with pink label for declared value) with a printed stamp (type Floreale) of 60c. "PACCHI POSTALI" (Parcel Service).

Domestic rate:
(Period 1904-1916)
R.D. 3.3.1904 n° 80
For Ordinary parcel
260g.= 60c.,
Insurance
for 100L. extra
10c. Italian stamp
(type Leoni)
Correct total rate 70c.
(Package contained
a gold watch).

Arrival mark on
reverse in Amalfi
on 12.07.1912.

These Italian PP cards
were used
in Dodecanese from
08/06 - 22/09/1912
for about 4 months.

Mod. 253. (Ediz. 1906)

VALORE DICHIARATO (VALEUR DÉCLARÉE)

Numero del Pacco

Si spedisce un (involt, cassetta, cestino, rotolo, pacco)

Valore dichiarato Lire Lire Cento (L.100) Cent.

Dichiarazione del contenuto Orologio D'oro

Assegno. Lire

Nome, cognome, qualità del destinatario Alla Signora Lenci Maria

Via S. Maria Pellico n. 1

Casa Barbire Prov. di Spessa

Luogo di destinazione

Domicilio del destinatario

Nome, cognome, condizione e domicilio del mittente L. Monasterio, f. Magnano Lenci - Arturo B. n. 1, Amalfi

Impronta del suggello col (obbligatorio per i pacchi co.)

Peso del Pacco Grammi 260

Tasse riscosse per trasporto Lire 60

assicurazione Cent.

assegno Cent.

pacco ingombrante Cent.

Totale

Ufficio che deve distribuire il pacco Prov. di

Cds **POSTE ITALIANE RODI (Egeo) -1 LUG 1912** (1st Ordinary rubber pmk of Period I)
Unique up to the present (found same on fragment).

19.11.1913



Large part on fabric of
an insured parcel for 10.000 lire!
to Italian banking Society Milano.

Franked with 2 two
overprinted stamps with "Rodi"
of 25c. and 40c.
(Sale price 20c. and 35c.),
1L. & 5L. (type Floreale).

(Domestic rate:
Period 1904 – 1916
Total rate 6.55 L.
Insurance for each
300L was 15c.).

Registration 2-line
marking on insurance
label A n° 491.

Cds **POSTE ITALIANE RACCE ASS RODI (EGEO) 15.8.12**. registration pmk type of period I.

2.2.2 Postal Parcel Service

PERIOD I :1912-1923 (Italian occupation)

27.02.1922

Part of an insured parcel, franked unusual in the Dodecanese with two vertical stripes of 4 X 10L. Italian stamps (type Floreale) on fabric (total rate 80 Lire!), cancelled with the register postmark of Period I. Registration 2-line marking on insurance label

Unique up to the present.



30.10.1925

PERIOD II :1923-1943 (Italian Territory)

GEDOLETTA (Coupon)
Può essere usato per il rimborsamento (Bollo dell'Ufficio di destinazione)

POSTE ITALIANE PACCHI
30.10.25
RODI (EGEO)

POSTE ITALIANE (POSTES D'ITALIE)
BOLLETTINO per la spedizione
(Bulletin pour l'expédition)

Lire **2.00** di N° **1** pacchi postali (colis postaux)
con N° **1** dichiarazioni doganali (déclarations en douane)
No _____

Contenenti (Contenant) **indumento**
Valore dichiarato in lettere (LIRE) _____
Per l'estero ripetere qui sotto il valore ragguagliato in franchi
Valeur déclarée en lettres (Francs) _____

Destinazione (Destination) **Sansepolcro**
Assegno (Remboursement) **Lire** _____
Speditore (Expéditeur) **Carpi Paolo**

Diritti doganali (Droits de douane) **Impronta del sigello o piombo di chiusura**
Per i pacchi diretti nell'interno indicare l'Ufficio di distribuzione
Per quelli diretti fuori del Regno applicare il cartellino mod. 2s1

RODI (EGEO)
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19 PARTE LIRE 2
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100 PARTE LIRE 2

Arrival in San Sepolcro reverse mark on 19.11.25 via Brindisi customs on 9.11.25.

Domestic rate:
(1924-1927)
weigh up to 1 kg 2.50L, customs office 2.50L. (Egeo+50%).

The weight difference of the parcel was covered by **Italian parcel stamps** in horizontal pairs of an identical format, used until 1934. The **left stamps** of the pair were supposed to be affixed on the parcel.

Cds
POSTE ITALIANE PACCHI
* **RODI (EGEO) 30.10.25.**
This pmk was the only type for parcel post use, issued in 1924.

PP card **Left part** accompanied the parcel (Edition 1914 designed to send three parcels at the same time writing the weight in the top right). Printed cost of 2L. Franked with three Italian parcel stamps of 2L.

2.2.2 Postal Parcel Service

p.24
PERIOD II :1923-1943 (Italian Territory)

16.09.1932

PP card **Left part**
Edition 1928

Arrival in
La Chaux-de-Fonds
Swiss city on 26.9.1932
via Dogana svizzera
Domodossola
(Swiss customs
Domodossola) city of Italy
on the border with
Switzerland on 23.9.1932

International rate:
(1932-1934)
R.D. 4.2.1932 n° 129
weight 1kg - 3kg= 5L.
customs office 3L.

Franked with 2,5L
Printed stamp V.Emanuele
two of 25c. one of 1L
and one of 4L
Italian parcel stamps
correct total rate 8L.

The package contained
Watches.
"Montres" in French
cancelled with

FRANC DE DROITS
(FREE OF DUTIES)
REVISE (REVISED).

CEDOLETTA (Coupon)
Può essere distaccata dal destinatario
(Peut être détaché par le destinataire)

POSTE ITALIANE
(POSTES ITALIENNES)

BOLLETTINO di spedizione
(Bulletin d'expédition)

PESO (Poids)
Grammi Grammes **1.200**

RODI (EGEO)
154

FRANC DE DROITS
REVISE

MITTENTE (Expéditeur)
Nome, Cognome e indirizzo (Nom et adresse)
Samuel Menasche

Destinazione (Destination)
La Chaux-de-Fonds Suisse

Via (Rue)
P.O. Box 13098

Assegno Lire it. (Remboursement)
2.50

Dichiarazioni doganali N. (Déclarations en douane)
Contenuto (Contenu)
Montres

Valore dichiarato (in lettere) Lire it. (en lettres)
2.50

Per l'estero ripetere qui sotto il valore ragguagliato in franchi o franci (in lettere)
2.50

Valeur déclarée Francs or (en lettres)
2.50

Per i pacchi diretti fuori del Regno (Certificats ou factures) N. (1^a parte)
0237

Impronta del suggello o piombo di chiusura (Empreinte du cachet de fermeture)
Ufficio italiano

Diritti doganali (Droits de douane)
23 IX 32

Per i pacchi diretti fuori del Regno (Certificats ou factures) N. (1^a parte)
0237

Impronta del suggello o piombo di chiusura (Empreinte du cachet de fermeture)
Ufficio italiano

RODI (EGEO)
154

FRANC DE DROITS
REVISE

Ufficio italiano

Cds **POSTE ITALIANE PACCHI * RODI (EGEO) 16.9.32.**

13.09.1933

CEDOLETTA (Coupon)
Può essere distaccata dal destinatario
(Peut être détaché par le destinataire)

POSTE ITALIANE
(POSTES ITALIENNES)

BOLLETTINO di spedizione
(Bulletin d'expédition)

PESO (Poids)
Grammi Grammes **2.000**

RODI (EGEO)
246

FRANC DE DROITS
REVISE

MITTENTE (Expéditeur)
Nome, Cognome e indirizzo (Nom et adresse)
Tinelopi Christodulu

Destinazione (Destination)
Saint John N.B. Canada

Via (Rue)
110 Kirby Street

Assegno Lire it. (Remboursement)
12.50

Dichiarazioni doganali N. (Déclarations en douane)
Contenuto (Contenu)
Habilles

Valore dichiarato (in lettere) Lire it. (en lettres)
12.50

Per l'estero ripetere qui sotto il valore ragguagliato in franchi o franci (in lettere)
12.50

Valeur déclarée Francs or (en lettres)
12.50

Per i pacchi diretti fuori del Regno (Certificats ou factures) N. (1^a parte)
0237

Impronta del suggello o piombo di chiusura (Empreinte du cachet de fermeture)
Ufficio italiano

Diritti doganali (Droits de douane)
23 IX 32

Per i pacchi diretti fuori del Regno (Certificats ou factures) N. (1^a parte)
0237

Impronta del suggello o piombo di chiusura (Empreinte du cachet de fermeture)
Ufficio italiano

RODI (EGEO)
246

FRANC DE DROITS
REVISE

Ufficio italiano

Destination Canada

PP card **Left part**
Edition 1928.

International rate:
R.D. 4.2.1932 n° 129
Air parcels for 1,5Kg
14,50L.
and for each 500g. 2L.
total weight 2kg=16,50L.
Insurance 25c. 100L.
for Dodecanese.

Franked with 12,50L.
Printed stamp V.Emanuele
4L. and 25c.
Italian parcel stamps
Correct total rate 16,75L.

The package contained
Clothes
"Habilles" in French.

Cds **POSTE ITALIANE PACCHI * RODI (EGEO) 13.9.33.**

Right parts of the parcel cards (*Receipt for the sender*) franked with Italian parcel stamps

14.8.1914

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Mod. 253

Mod. 253

POSTALI 2^a PARTE
LIRE 5
SULLA RICEVUTA

POSTALI 2^a PARTE
LIRE 10
SULLA RICEVUTA

POSTALI 2^a PARTE
LIRE 25
SULLA RICEVUTA

Valore del Bollettino Lire 1.40

NB. Un solo bollettino può bastare, ma, per dire, se i pacchi sono molti, purché senza assegno e senza bollettino, si applicano le tariffe speciali, per modo che la prima posta di esportazione sia gratuita, la seconda si paghi a metà della prima.

14.8.1914

POSTE ITALIANE PACCHI
*RODI (EGEO) 11.12.28.

Destination Naples.
Domestic rate: (1904-1916)
R.D. 3.3.1904 n° 80

For 5 until 10Kg. was 1,40L.

Printed cost of 1 L.
Franked with tree
Italian parcel stamps
5c., 10c. and 25c.
correct rate 40c.+1L.=1,40L.

Cds **POSTE ITALIANE PACCHI**
***RODI (EGEO) 11.12.28.**
Parcel pmk.

11.12.1928

PESO (Grammi)
Grammi Grammes

264

speciali
(2^a parte)

POSTALI 2^a PARTE
LIRE QUATTRO
SULLA RICEVUTA

POSTALI 2^a PARTE
LIRE 1
SULLA RICEVUTA

Valore del Bollettino Lire Sette e Cent. 50

REGISTRATO

Destination Milano
Domestic rate: (1928-1932)
R.D. 31.5.1928 n° 1154

For 5 until 10Kg. was 12.50L.

Printed cost of 7.⁵⁰ L.
Franked with two
Italian parcel stamps
4 Lire and 1 Lire.
correct rate 5L+7.50L=12,50L.

Cds **POSTE ITALIANE PACCHI**
***RODI (EGEO) 11.12.28.**
Parcel pmk.

27.11.1929

Registered
parcel receipt
notice (AR)
(Avis de
Reception).
Delivery to the
Court House
of Rhodes

Domestic rate:
(1927-1933)
Receipt 50c.

Franked with
correct postage
of 30c &
20c stamps
(type Pittorica).

Cds
RACCOMANDATA
ASS.RODI
EGEO (A) 27.11.29
Register pmk.

Marchese Pietro Ricci

Amministrazione delle Poste e dei Telegrafi d'Italia
Administration des Postes et des Télégraphes d'Italie

AVVISO
AVIS

DI RICEVIMENTO
DE RÉCEPTION

di un (a) *pacchetto*
d'un *
inseritto sotto il N. *525*
enregistré sous le N.
di *Rodi (Egeo)*
il *26-11-1929* e indirizzato
le *Comm. Pileotta, Rodi*
al Sig. *Rodi*
a M.
a
a

Il sottoscritto dichiara che
Le soussigné déclare que

il *26/11/29*
le

del destinatario
du destinataire

Firma (d)
Signature
Il Pileotta

DI PAGAMENTO
DE PAYEMENT

di un vaglia postale della somma di Lire
d'un mandat de poste de la somme de Frs.
emesso dall'ufficio di
émi. par le bureau de
il
le
a favore del Sig.
au profit de M.

192 sotto il N.
sous le N.

sopra indicato è stato regolarmente
susmentionné a été dûment

Bollo dell'ufficio
distributore o pagatore

del capo dell'ufficio distributore o pagatore
du chef du bureau distributeur ou payeur

27.11.29

(a) Oggetto raccomandato o di una lettera o di una scatola assicurata o di un pacco postale. — (b) L'oggetto raccomandato o la lettera
Objet recommandé ou d'une lettre ou d'une boîte assurée ou d'un colis postal. — (c) Consegna o pagato. — (d) Questo avviso deve essere firmato
assuré ou le colis postal ou le mandat de poste. Livré ou payé. Cet avis doit être signé par le destinataire, ou si les
réglements du pays de destination le permettent, par le chef du bureau distributeur ou payeur, puis être mis sous enveloppe et envoyé
sous recommandation par le premier courrier au bureau d'origine de l'objet qu'il concerne.

Right parts of the parcel cards (*Receipt for the sender*) with *printed cost on view side*.
in 1934 I was issued diptych stamps for parcels specifically for the Dodecanese.

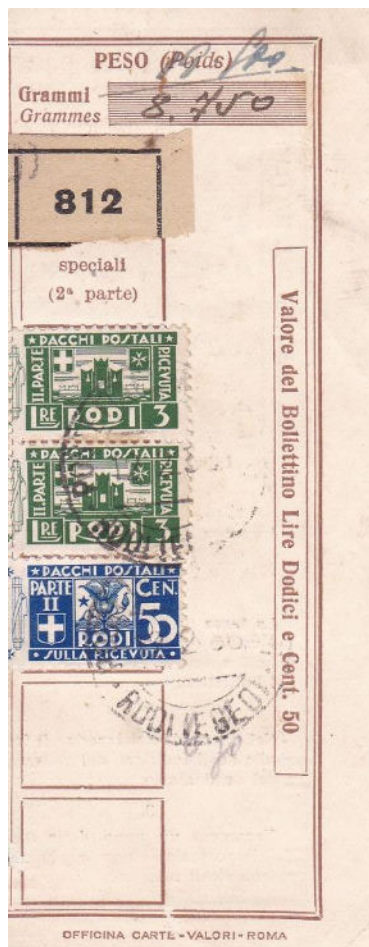
Destination Naples.

Domestic rate: (1936-1940)
R.D. 19.12.1935 n° 2159

For 15 until 20Kg. was 18L.

Printed cost of **2,50 L.**
Franked with four stamps
50c., 1L., 4L. and 10L.
Correct rate $15,50L + 2,50 = 18L$.

Cds **POSTE ITALIANE PACCHI**
***RODI (EGEO)** 19.2.39.
Parcel pmk.



Destination Vatican City

Domestic rate: (1934-1936)
R.D. 25.5.1934 n° 825

For 23 Kg. was 19L.

Two parcels
Printed cost of **12,50 L.**
Franked with two stamps
3 Lire and a 50c.
correct rate $6,50 L + 12,50L = 19L$.

Cds **POSTE ITALIANE PACCHI**
***RODI (EGEO)** 11.12.28.



This parcel cards are with the previous value
erased and issued with a new one.

Destination Roma

Destination Milano

Domestic rate: (1936)
R.D. 19.12.1935 n° 2159

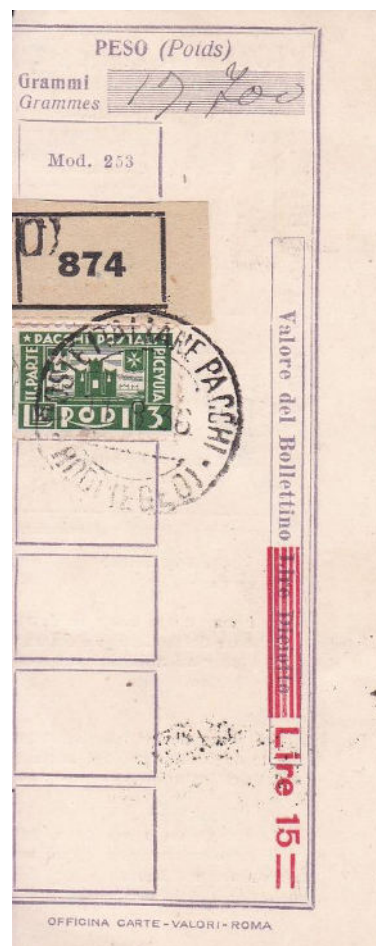
For 15 until 20Kg. was 18L.

Deleted previous
value was 7,50L.
new printed cost **6 L.**
Franked with two stamps
2L. and 10L.
Correct rate $12L + 6 = 18L$.

Deleted previous
value was 18L.
new printed cost **15 L.**
Franked with one stamps
3 Lire.
correct rate $3 L + 15L = 18L$.

Cds **POSTE ITALIANE PACCHI**
***RODI (EGEO)** 19.2.36.

Cds **POSTE ITALIANE PACCHI**
***RODI (EGEO)** 11.8.36.



2.2.3 Air Mail Service

PERIOD II :1923-1943 (Italian Territory)

In 1930, two air mail postmarks were in use and Italian air mail stamps were issued (1926-1928)

02.08.1937

42%



Panoramic view of the Old Town and the harbor "Kolona", 1930.

International rate: (1935-1939)
R.D. 28.2.1935 n° 185
Postcard 75c., Air mail 2L.

PPC to Geneva /Switzerland
Franked at the correct rate
with two 1L. air mail stamps
and a single 75c. (type Virgil).

Cds **POSTA AEREA*RODI (EGEO) 2.8.37**. Period II, Air mail pmk (1st type A)

34%

02.11.1936



Destination Oristano (Sardinia)
arrival mark on 09.11.1936
via brindisi 03.11.1936.
A.R. marking (Avis de Reception)
Notice of receipt.

Domestic rate: (1933-1940)
R.D. 20.12.1932 n° 1814
Letter 50c., registration 1,25L.
and air mail 50c..

Franked with correct postage,
a horizontal pair of 50c.
and a single of 1,25L. stamps
(type Pittorica).

Bilingual 2-line air handstamp
TRASPORTATO PER VIA AEREA
TRANSPORTE PER AVION

Bilingual air label
PER AVION
Per via aerea



Cds **POSTA AEREA*RODI (EGEO) -2.11.36**. Period II, Air mail pmk (1st type B)
Types A, B are the same with variation only in lettering.
Registration 1-line **RODI (EGEO)** on label n° 701.



Social welfare
horizontal pair
of 10c.

Arrived in Siena
on 3.5.1938

Domestic rate:
(1933-1940)
R.D.20.12.1932
n° 1814
Letter 50c
Espresso 1,25L

Franked at the
correct rate of 50c.
(Pittorica stamp),
and one Espresso
stamp of 1,25L.

*The express
stamp intended
exclusively for
the Dodecanese.*

36%

28.04.1938



cds **POSTA AEREA*RODI*EGEO 28.4.38.** Period II, Air mail 2nd pmk type, Ca.
The letter is cancelled with the 1-line marking **ESPRESSO**.

13.11.1939



Destination Milano
Arrival mark on reverse
on 17.11.1939.

Domestic rate:
(1927-1933)
R.D.20.12.1932 n° 1814
Letter 50c,
Air mail 50c

Franked at the correct rate.
Block of four 10c.
plus two 5c. stamps
(type Pittorica)
and a single 50c. air stamp.

Types Ca and Cb
are the same with
variation only in lettering.

cds **POSTA AEREA*RODI*EGEO 13.11.39.** Period II, Air mail 2nd pmk type, Cb.

2.2.4 Postage Due

09.05.1915



International rate:
(Period 1907-1921)
Letter 25c.

Posted from
Port Said (Egypt)
at 29.04.1915
franked with a 5 m.stamp.

The cover is censored
by the British P.O.

Arrived in Rhodes
on 09.05.1915.
Cancelled with the
cds **RODI*(EGEO)-9.5.15**
ordinary pmk 3rd type
issued 1913-1930.

The addressee paid the post-remainder with Italian tax stamps (edition 1903) of 5c. and 20c.

29%

20.12.1935



Arrived in Rhodes
on 20.12.1935

International rate:
(Period 1935-1939)
Letter 1.25L.

Posted from Djibouti
on 05.12.1935
via Port Said 10.12.1935
franked with
four DJ stamps 2,3 F.
approximately Italian 1L.

The recipient paid the
post-remainder with 25c.
stamp (type Pittorica).

Cancelled with the
register pmk 2nd type.
RACCOMANDATE .
ASSICURATE . RODI *
EGEO * 20.12.35XIV.



2.2.4 Postage Due

In 1934, the first postage due stamps were issued exclusively for the Dodecanese.

30.12.1942 - PERIOD II

Domestic rate:
1940-1943
Military letter 25c.

5c. Italian stamp
and the
Post-remainder
20c. Franked
with a horizontal
pair of 10c.
on red Rhodian
tax stamps.

Cancelled with
the ordinary pmk
(2nd type) of
Period II.



Military P.O. (car storage) to the National Fascist Institute for Occupational Accidents Insurance - Rhodes Office.

20.12.1942 - PERIOD II



Domestic rate:
(Period 1940-1943)
within the district 25c.

5c. stamp (Type Pittirica)
the post-remainder 20c.
franked with a 20c green
Rhodian tax stamp.

Cancelled with the cds
I ANNADI * RODI EGEO
20.12.42XVI
Period II, ordinary pmk.

The letter was posted from
the Carabinieri station
of village Jenadi
(South Rhodes)
to the National Fascist
Institute of Rhodes.

Each government agency was supplied with a special oval official Postage free marking so that official documents could be mailed free or at a reduced rate.

26.1.1940



Oval violet Postage free marking **REGIE POSTE / SEZIONE DI R. TESORERIA PROVINCIALE DI RODI**

The cover belongs to the Department of Rhodes Treasury of the Italian Bank sent to Lindos.

The addressee has been charged with the value of the postmark stamps because the cover has been insured for the amount of 200 Lire. A special mark stamp to the left has the inscription

"Charged at the expense of the addressee, issue 146, Inspection of Communication 1927".

Franked at the correct rate of 2.55L by a pair of 1.25L. and one of 5c. "Pittorica" stamps

Domestic rate: (Period 11.2.1933-1.7.1940) Letter (15g.) (within the district) 25c., Second weight (19g.) 25c.

Registration 1.25L, Insurance 80c. (One of two known the other is presented in G. Zisimatos bibliography).

03.08.1935

Arrived to
Castelbarona (Avellino)
on 07.08.1935.

Entire official document
cancelled with the oval
violet Postage free
4-line marking.



R.R. POSTE / GOVERNO / DELLE ISOLE ITALIANI / DELL' EGEO
(Government of Italian Islands of the Aegean).

2.2.5 Official Postage Free Markings

25.01.1940



Entire municipal document from Cos to Rhodes with a 10c. "Pittorica" stamp (**Domestic reduced rate**: within the district) cancelled with Cos ordinary postmark. After for the final destination to Cattavia (Village of Rhodes) tied the Postage free 3-line oval municipal violet marking with a coat of Arms on top **RR .PP / MUNICIPIO / di RODI** and a 5 c. "Pittorica" stamp (**Domestic reduced rate**: within the district) over franked of the first stamp cancelled with Rhodes postmark on (02/02/1940).

27.04.1942



Entire municipal document from Rhodes to Catania, cancelled with an oval 3-line postage free black marking without the coat of Arms on top **RR .PP / MUNICIPIO / di RODI** Franked with a 25c. "Pittorica" stamp **Domestic reduced rate for municipal documents**: (Period 1940-9.9.1943).

2.2.6 Telegram Service

PERIOD I :1912-1923 (Italian occupation)

For the first five days (5-10 May), the mail from the Italian servicemen and, in some cases that from civilians was dispatched by the ships' post offices with postage free. After the 6th Division' P.O. opened on 10th May, the post offices on the ships were handing only their crew correspondence.

10.5.1912

28%



The telegram was officially sent to Lt. Gen. Giovanni Ameglio commander of the 6th Division which landed on the island of Rhodes. The fleet's commander, Admiral Viale, was on board the battle-ship "REGINA MARGHERITA".

Telegram received by the battle-ship in the period of the five days (May, 10 1912)
"R.N.REGINA MARGHERITA"
cancelled with the telegram post mark of the ship "**STAZIONE R.T. MARGHERITA**".
(One of two known the other is presented in G. Zisimatos bibliography, by one another collector).

Right after Rhodes' occupation, 6th Division Engineer section established a radiotelegraphic network, with underwater wires and wireless station. By the end of the 1920s all the islands of the Dodecanese were connected. Until the opening of the civil telegraph in 1923, military telegrams also served civilians.

Military telegraph

5.8.1921

Indicazioni eventuali abbreviate

Urgente oppure (D) Far proseguire oppure (P^o)
R. T. G. collazionato " (TC) Da consegnarsi a mani proprie (MP)
Avviso di ricevimento " (CR) Recapitabile aperto " (RO)

Le ore si contano sul meridiano medio dell'Europa Centrale e di seguito da una mezzanotte all'altra.

Ricevuto il 5/8/1921 alla ore 11.30
dalla Stazione Ricevente

Trasmesso il 5/8/1921 alle ore 12.00
alla Stazione Trasmittente

Qualifica	Destinazione	Provenienza	Num. G. R. T. G.	Parole Gruppi	Data della presentazione	Indicazioni eventuali di servizio
L.	Rod	Calimno	95/24	33-	3/8/12	

Indirizzo

Testo

Cds **SERVIZIO RADIO-TELEGRAFICO MILITARE 5.8.1921**

Radiotelegraphic pmk type A with 33 words originated from Calimno to Rhodes.

01.04.1925

The Italian civilian telegraphic service started to operate in Rhodes P.O. in 1924 without the necessary hand stamp being ready and so for a few months the office temporarily used the postmark stamp of the postal messenger that had the inscription **MESSAGGERE** and which had been introduced in 1913.

Telegram with 26 words originated from Grosseto with arrival

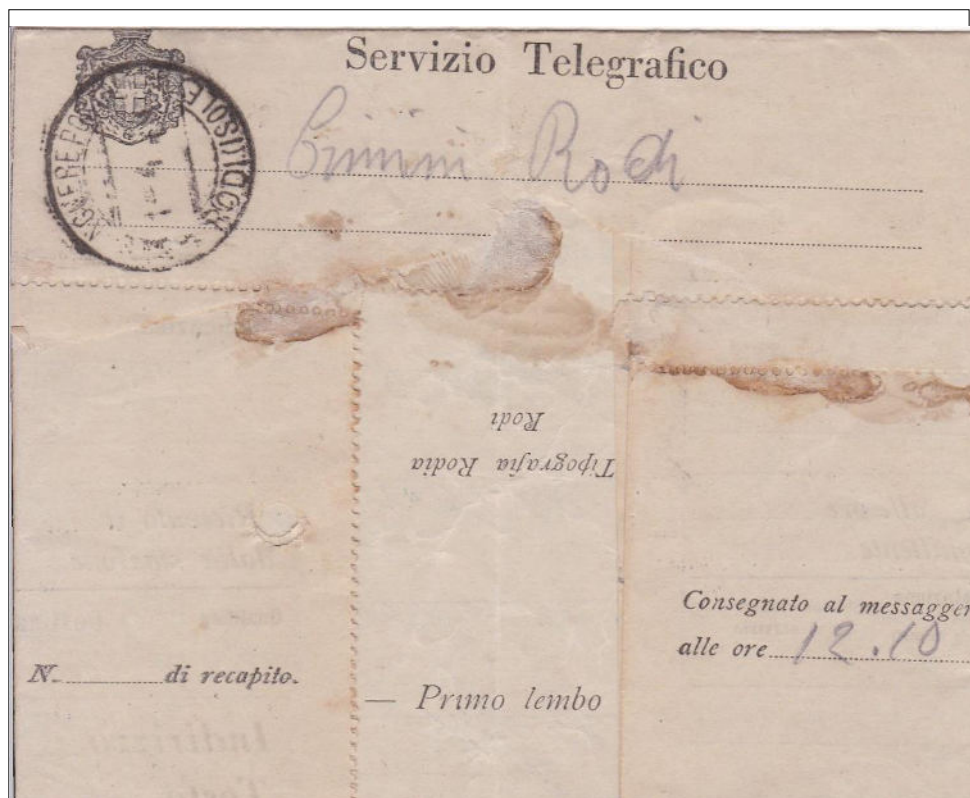
Cds **MESSAGGERE POSTALE**
RODI (ISOLE) 1.4.25,

pmk type of Period I.

(Postmark intended for regular mail among the islands which was transferred by a special employee).

Rate: (Period 1913-1930) each word was about 35c.

Total paid 26x0,35=9,1L.



Phonogram is equivalent to today's telephone signals established in military or civilian services.

3.° GENIO

Compagnia telegrafisti — Armata
— Corpo d'Armata
— Divisione

N. 290 FONOGRAMMA

da *Pitoy* il *17-9-20* ore *17*

Valla stagione dei Carabinieri di Pitoy
il biennale 1^a stanza Rodi
seguito fonoграмма N. 289
referenziato che il Calunniere nell'isola
a Pitoy nel dicembre 1919 era di
lire 3,80 all'ora

Il Comandante
fto Coeco

Trasmette *Coeco*

Riceve *Hornacchire*

N. *290*

Il Destinatario

Il Telefonista

Ricevuto (1) da *Pitoy* il *17-9-20* ore *17*

(1) Dal fattorino o dall'apparato.

Phonogram from Pitinthos (village of Rhodes) to Rhodes town on 17.9.1920.

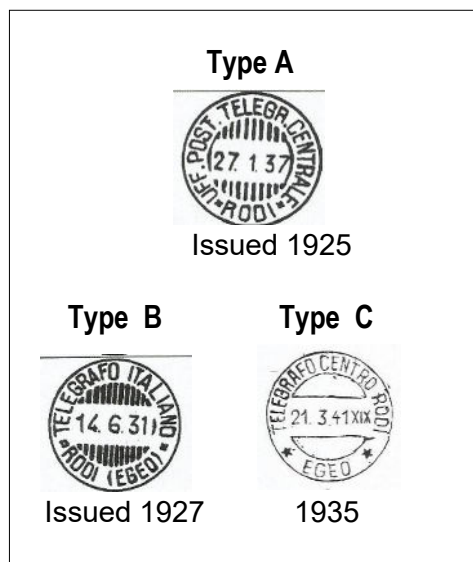
Unique known up to the present is presented in G. Zisimatos bibliography.

2.2.6 Telegram Service

PERIOD II :1923-1943 (Italian Territory)

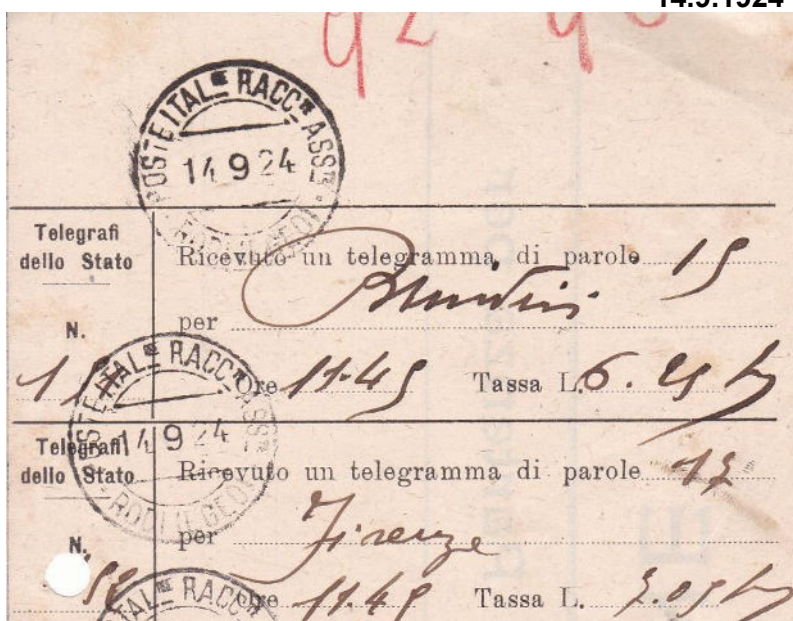
14.9.1924

Telegram postmark types Period II 1923-1943



Type A was issued until 1940 for all Dodecanese islands and at the same time, it also cancelled letters.

Type B and C were issued only by the P.O. of Rhodes Town.



Two telegram payment receipts, 1st with 19 words paid 6,29 L. and the 2nd 17 words paid 7,09 L.

Cancelled with the register pmk of period I.

Rate: each word was about 40 cents.

17.12.1925



Telegram payment receipt of 22 words paid 9,45 L. telegram pmk Type B.

21.12.1934

(Mod. 30 Telegr.)

N. 410 di recapito - Rimesso al fattorino - ad ore 1230

UFFICIO TELEGRAFICO di

UFFICIO TELEGR. CENTRALE

Governo

Rodi

ARCHIVIO

DESTINAZIONE	PROVENIENZA	NUM.	PAROLE	DATA DELLA PRESENTAZIONE		VIA E INDICAZIONI EVENTUALI D'UFFICIO
				Giorno e mese	Ore e minuti	

Cds UFF. POST. TELEGR. CENTRALE * RODI 21.12.34. Telegram pmk type A.

Rate: (Period 1930-1935) each word was about 45c. total paid (17x0,45c.=7,65L.).



Commander of the Dodecanese islands

Conte Cesare Maria De Vecchi

Nov.1936-27.11.1940



Telegram with 41 words originated from Grosso (Torino) with arrival

Cds **TELEGRAFO ITALIANO*RODI (EGEO) 29.1.26** (pmk type B)**Rate:** (Period 1923-1930) each word was about 40c.total paid (41x0,40c=16,4L.).**13.05.1940**

G. 243

GOVERNO DELLE ISOLE ITALIANE DELL' EGEO

TELEGRAMMA

STAZIONE RADIOTELEGRAFICA		Indicazione d'urgenza	Spedito il 19 ore	
di		alla Stazione R. T. di		
Destinazione	Provenienza	Numero parole	DATA DELLA PRESENTAZIONE	
A Milano	Rodi	124 34 46	Giorno	Mese
			Ore	Minuti
			8	12
		VIA		
In	chiaro	ENTE RISI		
	cifra	Corso Littorio N° 9		
		M I L A N O		
12414 Questa Società Commerciale est incaricata dall'Ufficio				
approvvigionamenti governativo di acquistare quintali 2500 riso				
(.) Prego provvedere urgente assegnazione (.)				
Governatore				
De Vecchi di Val Cismon				
Di Val Cismon				

Telegram with 34 words originated from Milan with arrival cds **TELEGRAFO CENTRO RODI * EGEO 13.5.40 XVI** (pmk type C)**Rate:** (Period 1939-1942) each word was about 50c.total paid (34x0,50c=17L.)The telegram has been signed by the commander of the Dodecanese islands **De Vecchi** (1936-1940).

09.08.1940

R 186: 9 AGO 1940 Anno XVIII

Il Governo non assume alcuna responsabilità civile in conseguenza del servizio della telegrafia.
Le tasse riscosse in meno per errore od in seguito a rifiuto o irreperibilità del destinatario devono essere
Il destinatario è invitato a firmare la ricevuta presentata dal fattorino ed a segnarvi la data e l'ora di
gramma. In mancanza di tali indicazioni, il destinatario perde il diritto a reclamare in caso di ritardo nella

Ricevuto il **TELEGRAFO CENTRO RODI** 193 ore
Per circuito **EGEO** Ricevente

Qualifica DESTINATARIO **PROVENIENZA** **Num.** **Parole** **DATA DELLA PRESENTAZIONE**
Giorno e mese Ore e minuti

Derohel 864/19 9 10

Proposta vostro 5 ag
si conferma dispo

Telegram with 11 words originated from Leros with arrival Cds **TELEGRAFO CENTRO RODI * EGEO -9.8.40 XVII** (pmk type Ca)
Rate: (Period 1939-1942) each word was about 50c. (11x0,50c=5,5L.) plus registration 1,25L total paid 6,75L.
 The Telegram postmark **types C and Ca** are the same with variations only in lettering.

10.9.1932

30%

N. *704* di recapito - Rimesso al fattorino - ad ore *16.10*

bu Lago Rodi

DIREZIONE SERVIZI P.T. * RODI (EGEO) *10.9.32

Indicazione di risposta

Il Governo non assume alcuna responsabilità civile in conseguenza del servizio della telegrafia.
Le tasse riscosse in meno per errore od in seguito a rifiuto o irreperibilità del destinatario devono essere
Il destinatario è invitato a firmare la ricevuta presentata dal fattorino ed a segnarvi la data e l'ora di
gramma. In mancanza di tali indicazioni, il destinatario perde il diritto a reclamare in caso di ritardo nella

Ricevuto il **TELEGRAFO CENTRO RODI** 193 ore
Per circuito **EGEO** Ricevente

Qualifica DESTINATARIO **PROVENIENZA** **Num.** **Parole** **DATA DELLA PRESENTAZIONE**
Giorno e mese Ore e minuti

Avvicinato con l'atletica massima
lancia splendide tappeti sono inconfondibili
mentre grade step lancia stile all'avanguardia
Perché sono stremanti senza frenare
una griglia affollata inconfondibile

Rate: (Period 1931-1935)
 each word was about 40c.
 total paid (28x0,40c=11,2L.)

Telegram with 28 words originated from Como with arrival
 Cds **DIREZIONE SERVIZI P.T. * RODI (EGEO) *10.9.32**
 special pmk belonged to the Director of Rhodes **P.O.**

The London-based Eastern Telegraph Company had spread its agencies around the world. One of them opened in Rhodes in 1870 and remained in operation throughout the Italian presence as the only civilian telegraph service until 1931.

14.02.1921

PERIOD I :1912-1923 (Italian occupation)

(Message Form 5/26.)

THE EASTERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY, LIMITED.

(Received Message Form.)

Station: **RHODES**

Date: 14 FEB. 1921

Local No. 166 Stn. from 30 Time. 17.39 By 23

Arrivato il 14 FEB 1921 di Prof.

Handed Govt. 10

TELEGRAM To No. 25 Words 25 Date 5 Time 10

TELEGRAM From Palermo

REMARKS To Regio governo Rhodiaceo

Telegram (Message Form type 5/26 in English) 25 words originated from Palermo with arrival telegram mark type A
 cds **THE EASTERN TELEGRAPH STATION*COMPANY*LIMITED* RHODES 14 FEB.1921 STATION**

Rate: (Period 1939-1942) each word was about 50c.total paid 12L. Unique known up to today postal item.

12.04.1930

PERIOD II :1923-1943 (Italian Territory)

(Message Forms 5/22.)

THE EASTERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY, LTD.

(Greek Received Form.)

Station: **PIRÆUS STATION. ΘΗΛΕΓΡΑΦΕΙΟΝ ΠΕΙΡΑΙΩΣ.**

Date: 12 APR. 1930

Local No. 3008 Stn. from 17.39 Clerk's Name. 83

Handed Govt. 14.30

TELEGRAM From Parispo

THAETPAΦHMA 'Εκ

No. 4 Words 4 Date 13.15 Time 13.15

REMARKS Handled Eastern

To Masse Rhodes.

Προσ: Masse Rhodes.

Telegram (Message Form type 5/22 bilingual English-Greek) 4 words originated from Paris with arrival telegram mark type B
 cds **RHODES * 69 VIA DEI CONSOLATI * 12 APR. 30** Rate: (Period 1939-1942) each word was about 50c.total paid 2L.

Unique known up to the present mailed item (Mentioned in the bibliography of G. Zisimatos).

The name of the company was changed and replaced by the address of the office at "Via dei Consolati, 69- RHODES" with the only English word "RHODES".

2.2.7 Special pmk's issued only from Rhodes P.O.

PERIOD II :1923-1943 (Italian Territory)

06.08.1931



Thermal springs of Kallitea

Domestic rate:

(Period 16.8.1927-11.2.1933)
For PPC with five words 10c.

Franked at the correct rate
of 10c. stamp (type Pittorica)

Destination Roma.

Cds **TERME DI CALITEA
RODI (EGEO) 6.8.31**
(commemorative pmk.)

Calitea-Terme The Thermal springs have been reoperating in Kalithea since 1927.

The 21st Hydrological Congress was held there on September 25, 1930. A temporary P.O. opened and, a special commemorative postmark was used only for the occasion which stopped on 15.11.1931.

One of three known normally mailed items, many found in philatelic constructions.



03.03.1943

Arrival mark on revers
in Roma on 5.3.1943.

Domestic rate:

(Period 1.7.1940-9.9.1943)
Letter 50c, Air mail 50c.

Franked with a 1 Lire
Italian air post stamp.

Cancelled with the
censor mark **LIBERO CORSO**
means "Free Transmission" which
(This item will not be censored).



cds **TITOLARE RODI (EGEO) -3.3.43**

The special postmark belonged to the "**Head-Postmaster**" of Rhodes-Aegean.

2.2.7 Special pmk's issued only from Rhodes P.O.

05.01.1941

Destination Roma
arrival mark on reverse
on 10.01.1941.

Domestic rate:
(Period 1.7.1940-9.9.1943)
Letter 50c, Air mail 50c.

Franked with correct
postage of 50c. stamp
(type Pittorica)
and 50c. (type Airpost).

Cover is sealed with
censor tape and cancelled
with lilac censor mark

Verificato per censura - D

Special pmk belonged
to the Management of
the Postal and
Electricity Services
of the Aegean, Rhodes.



Cds DIREZ. SERVIZI POSTALI ED ELETTRICI DELL EGEO – RODI -5.1.41 XIX.

29.05.1943

(C)

Si dichiara che il Sig. _____ è stato autorizzato

a servirsi di _____ mezzo di trasporto pubblico _____
automobile di proprietà _____ con _____ del _____
motocicletta di proprietà _____

(Data) _____

IL CAPO UFFICIO

[Signature]



Official document of the Central P.O. of Rhodes from the Telegram service office
DIREZIONE SERVIZI POSTALI TELEGRAFICI RODI (EGEO).

The document refers to the authorized payment of the postmen during their stay in
the villages of Rhodes by the director **Dante Zarli**, the amount of 279 L. on 29.5.1943
cancelled with the same pmk as above

Cds DIREZ. SERVIZI POSTALI ED ELETTRICI DELL EGEO – RODI 29.5.43 XXI.
signature of the Director.

*The director was an important personality of Rhodes,
he came to the island in 1912 and worked as a radio telegraph operator and
then became General Management of the Postal from 1936 to 1945
with the removal from office in 1946 by the English military command.*

On March 29, 1936 three postal cards sized 148x110 mm. were issued which had a printed stamp "Maltese Cross" and "RODI", value of 30 cents on the right. Royal Coat of Arms in the center and different designs on the left – all inscribed "ISOLE ITALIANE DELL' EGEO". Typographic printing on ivory carton.

P.S Card (type 1) "RODI"

Marina the door of entry to the Garrison of Rhodes

13.04.1939

Domestic rate:

(Period 11.2.1933-30.6.1940)

Card 30c.,

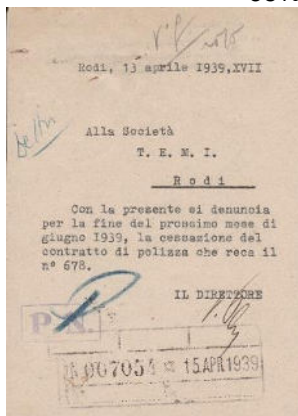
Open Registration 60c.

Franked by correct value of stamps

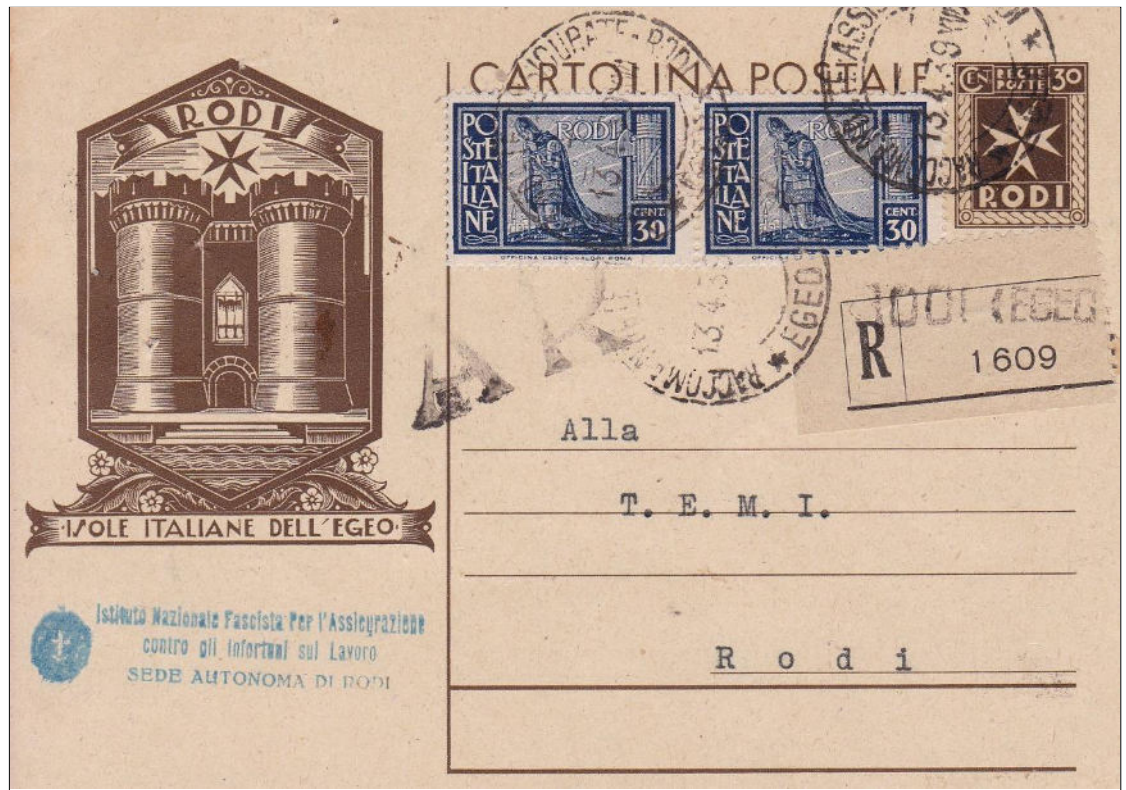
30c. printed stamp and horizontal pair of 30c.

(Type Pittorica).

38%



Arrived to T.E.M.I.
(Cigarette Company)
on 15.04.1939.



From Fascist National Institute with **A.R.** marking (Avis de Reception), notice of receipt.
cds **RACCOMANDATE. ASSICURATE. RODI * EGEO 13.4.39XVI**
registration 1-line marking **RODI (EGEO)** on label n° 1609.

P.S Card (type 2) "COO" Medical Emblem

01.05.1943



Domestic rate: (Period 1940-9.9.1943) Cart postal 30c.
Civilians Cos P.O. cds **COO * (EGEO) -1.5.43.** Destination Barletta (Italy).
Censored with the general military mark **CENSURA * MILITARE.**

2.2.8 Postal Stationery Cards

P.S Card (type 3) "LEROS" Chivalry Cannon

28.11.1939

Domestic rate:
(Period 1933-1940)
Cart postal 30c.

Postal card from
Leros (Porto Lago)
Arrival pmk in
Suzzara (Italy)
on 02.12.1939.



Cds LERO PORTO LAGO*(EGEO) 28.11.39XVII postmark type of Period II.

P.S Card (type 1 with paid answer)

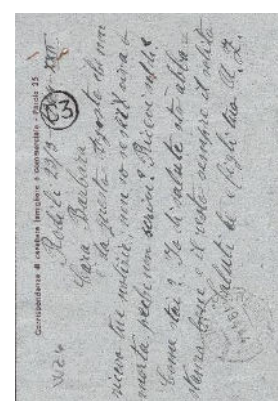
PERIOD III: 1943 -1945 Italian-German occupation

24.03.1944



Cds POSTA AEREA*RODI (EGEO) 24.3.44 (Air mail pmk of Period II).

The card was censored by German censor marks.



35%

Arrival mark on reverse
in Trento (Italy)
on 19.04.1944.

Domestic rate:
(Period 1940-1944)
R.D. 23.5.1941 n° 759
Card 30c., Air post 50c.

Franked at the the correct
Rate of 50 c. Air mail stamp

After the Armistice between Italy and the Allies on 03/09/1943 on February 29, 1944, the Germans approved the printing of a postal card with printed stamp value of 30 cent for the Italian citizens of Rhodes. Every Italian citizen was entitled to two cards a month.

2.2.9 Authorized Private Delivery

PERIOD II :1923-1943 (Italian Territory)

Banks and large commercial establishments preferred to deliver letters to their customers by private messengers to ensure immediate transmission . This practice though was prohibited in many countries as it is seen as trespassing of the postal monopoly. The Italian administration decided in 1928 that this private delivery to the cities should be subject to a 10c postage. From 1 July 1928, all letters were to bear special stamps issued for this purpose by the Italian Post and bearing the inscription "Poste Italiane-Recapito Autorizzato" instead of 25c. if it was mailed normally. In Rhodes the decree was implemented since 1930 without the special stamps (As for the other Italian colonies). probably because the volume of privately delivered mail was not substantial enough to justify it. The Dodecanese stamps of 10c or pair of 5c "Pittorica" issue 1929 were used. Companies had to cancel mail with their own markings. Some of them for economic reasons used entire folded letters

15.12.1929



10 cent "Pittorica" stamp, private pmk **COMPAGNIA AGRICOLA INDUSTRIALE S.A. – RODI** (Agricultural Industrial Company S.A. Rhodes).

09.10.1929



10 cent "Pittorica" stamp

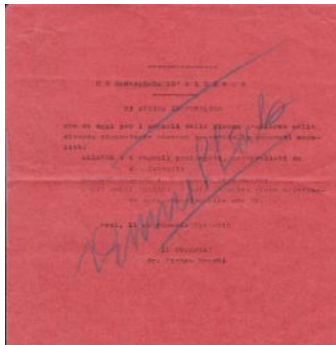
Private pmk **BANCO DI ROMA - FILIALE DI RODI (EGEO)** (Bank of Rome)

2.2.9 Authorized Private Delivery

20.01.1941

Cancelled with the 10 c. "Pittorica" stamp
private pmk **BANCO DI SICILIA * RODI**
Type A (Bank of Sicily).

18%



Entire folded letter.



5.07.1938

Cancelled with the
10 c. "Pittorica" stamp
private pmk
**BANCO DI SICILIA -
FILIALE DI RODI**
Type B (Bank of Sicily).

19%



Entire folded letter.

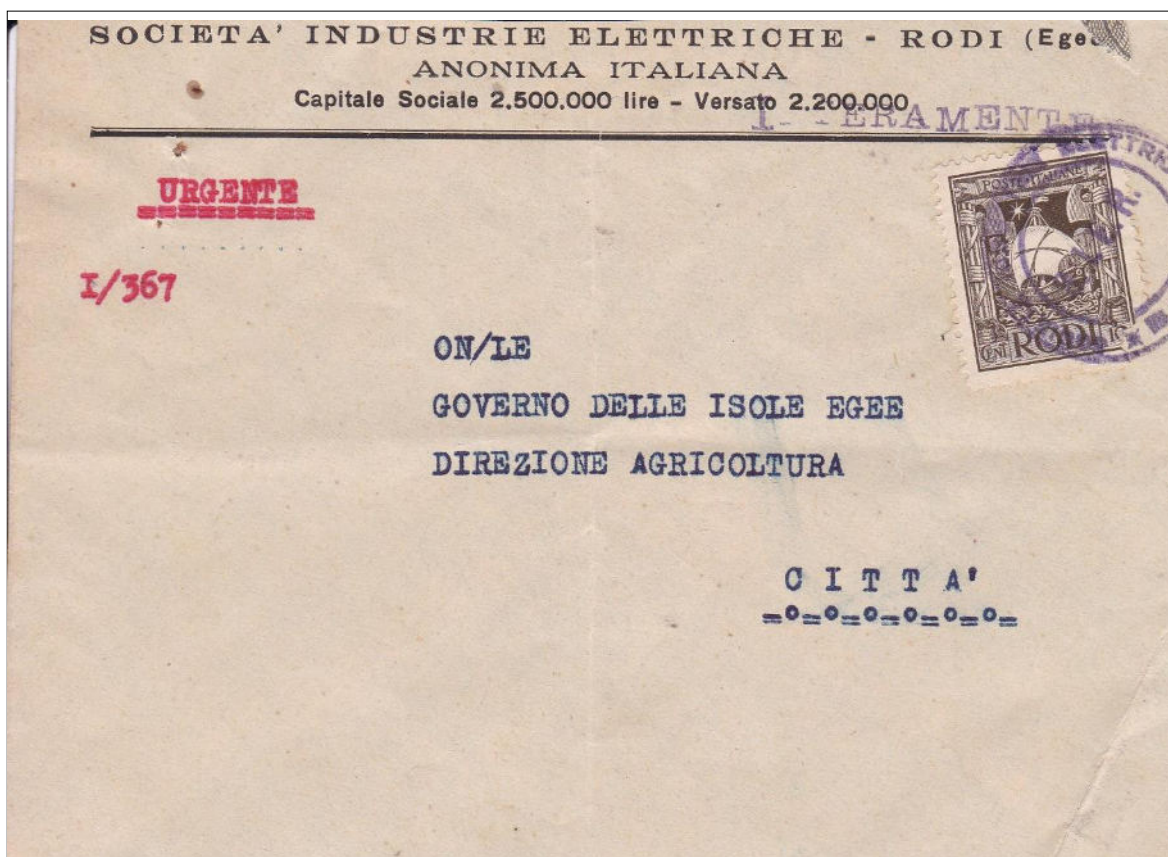


07.10.1932



Entire folded letter franked with a horizontal pair of 5 c. "Pittorica" stamps.
Private pmk **COMPAGNIA COMMERCIALE ITALIANA-PER L'EGEO-RODI**
(Italian Commercial Company-for the Aegean Rhodes).

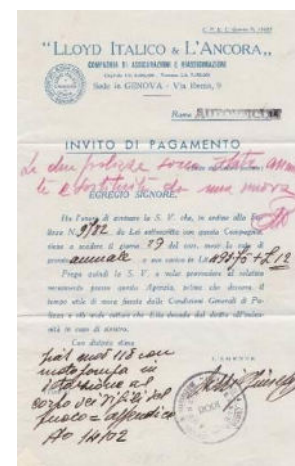
2.2.9 Authorized Private Delivery



Cover with a 10c. "Pittorica" stamp, private pmk **SOCIETA' INDUSTRIE ELETTRICHE – RODI, S.I.E.R** (Electricity Industrial Company)

09.10.1929

25%



Entire folder letter

10c. "Pittorica" stamp, private pmk
COMPAGNIA DI ASSICURAZIONE " LLOYD ITALICO & L' ANCORA,,AGENZIA GENERALE RODI
 (Insurance Company Marking)

This handstamp up to the present not presented in any bibliography.

After the Armistice between Italy and the Allies on 09/09/1943 the Italian civilian P.O.s of Dodecanese comes under the German military administration and from the five types of postmarks that were used by Period II removed the fascist year.

01.11.1943

28%



On arrival sealed with sensor tape overprinted 2-line mark **VERIFICATO/PER CENSURA** and cancelled with the lilac military sensor mark **CENSURA MILITARE DI GUERRA**

Franked with 20c., 30c., 50c. and 1,25L. stamps (type Pittorica) and one 1,25L. stamp (type express).

Domestic rate:
(Period 1.7.1940-1.10.1944)
Letter 50c.,
express mail 1,25L
1-line mark on red **EXPRESSO**
Registration 1,25L, and
Air mail 50c. blue label
from the air company
LITTORIA

Cds **RODI *EGEO -1.11.43** (type for ordinary mails).

The cover was posted from Rhodes to the commune Craveggia (Valley in the Lepontine Alps)

18.03.1944

Censored postage free entire municipal document from Rhodes to the village St. Marco (45 miles south of Rhodes Town) cancelled with the

cds **RODI*EGEO 18.3.44**

and the official 3-line oval postage free mark on lilac

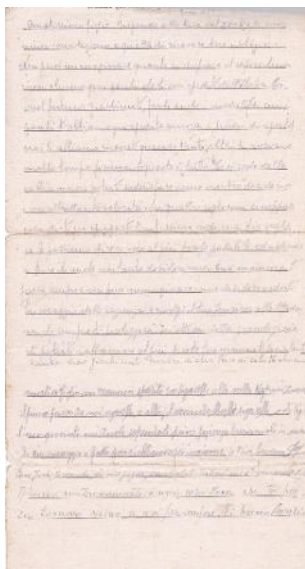
RR.PP. / MUNICIPIO / di RODI

Censorship mark **C/4**.



30.10.1944

35%



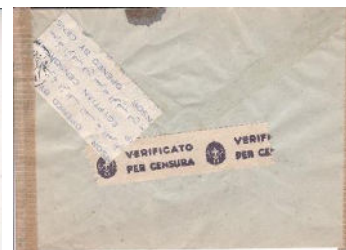
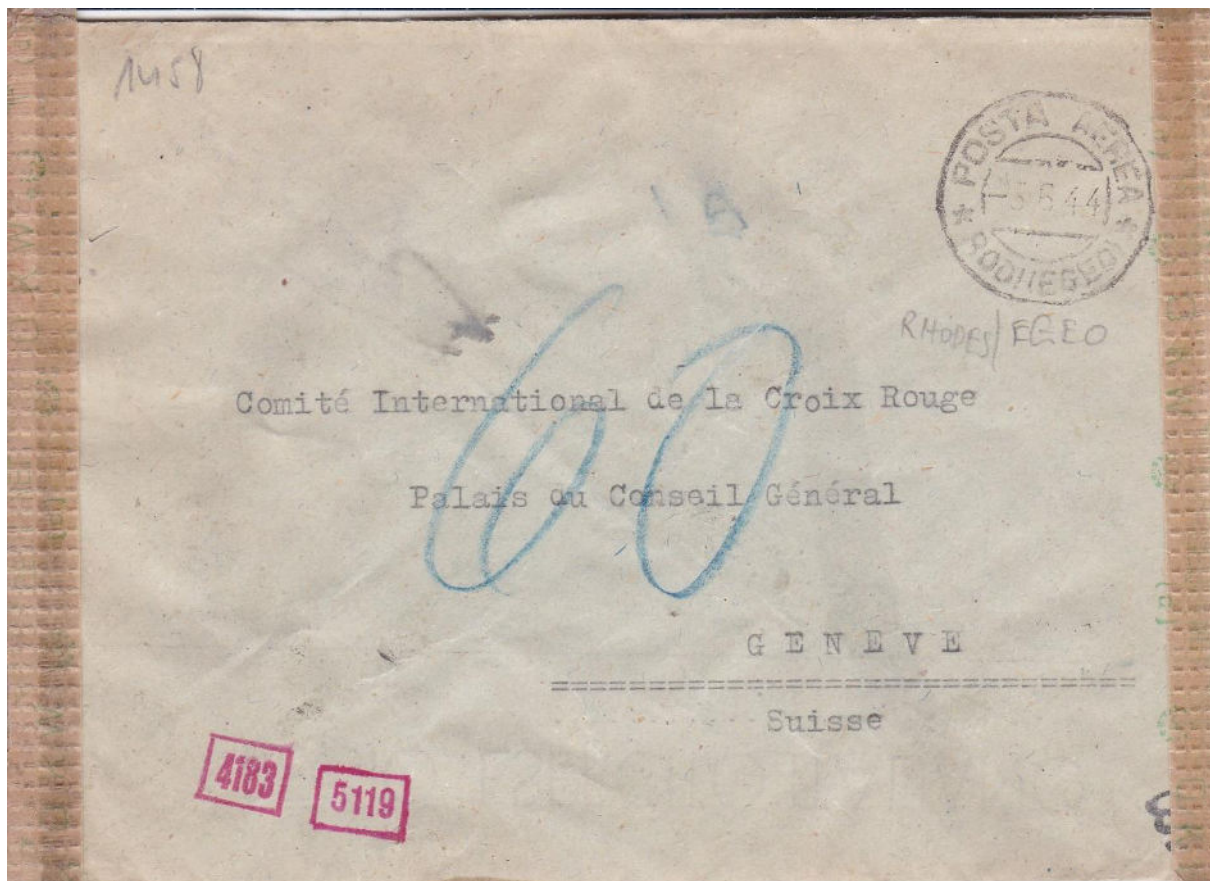
German edition of a Postage Free entire response letter from Rhodes to a prisoner in a concentration camp with handwritten army camp number 25 Landpostel in red.



cds **POSTA AEREA RODI*EGEO*30.10.44** (2nd Air mail pmk type of Period II).

3.6.1944

30%



The cover on reverse side is Sealed with censor tape printed with the 2-line censor mark
VERIFICATO PER CENSURA.

cds **POSTA AEREA * RODI (EGEO)*-3.6.44** (1st Air mail pmk type of Period II).
Postage free cover to the International Committee of the Red Cross in Geneva Swiss.

2.2.10 Armistice (Italian-German, Period III).

18.2.1945

The two Italian overprinted stamps with "FEBBRAIO 1945" on red were franked to a Red Cross form on the day they were issued.

The text at the bottom has great historical value
"Issued in Rhodes on 18/2/1945 in commemoration of the first arrival of food items with the assistance of the International Red Cross to the people dying of hunger."

Cds DIREZ. SERVIZI POSTALI ED ELETTRICI DELL EGEO – RODI 18.2.45

This Special pmk type belonged to the Management of the Postal and Electricity Services of the Aegean, Rhodes

Signature of the Director.
The director was an important personality of Rhodes, he came to the island in 1912 became General Management of the Postal from 1936 to 1945 with the removal from office in 1946 by the English military command.

Demande de la Croix-Rouge Italienne
COMITÉ INTERNATIONAL DE LA CROIX-ROUGE
GENÈVE (Suisse)
DIREZIONE SERVIZI POSTALI TELEGRAFICI RODI (EGEO)
RICHIEDENTE - DEMANDEUR - ENQUIRER

Cognome - Nom - Name
Nome - Prénom - Christian
Indirizzo - Adresse - Address

Stato - Pays - Country

Testo da trasmettere - Message à transmettre - Message
(Non più di 25 parole - solo notizie famigliari) — (25 mots au maximum - nouvelles de caractère strictement personnel et familial) — Not over 25 words - family news of strictly personal character).

EMESSI IN RODI IL 18/2/1945 A RICORDO DEL 1°
ARRIVO DI VIVERI DI SOCCORSO DELLA CROCE ROSSA
INTERNAZIONALE PER LA POPOLAZIONE CIVILE MORENTE DI FAME.-

IL CAPO DEI SERVIZI POSTALI ED ELETTRICI
DESTINATARIO - DESTINATAIRE - ADDRESSEE

Cognome - Nom - Name
Nome - Prénom - Christian name

AMMINISTRAZIONE DELLE POSTE E DEI TELEGRAFI
CASSE DI RISPARMIO POSTALI
N° 44

Ricevuta di un deposito per la somma di L. 1.300 inscritta dall'ufficio di di Addì 18.2.1945 - A. E. F. sul libretto N. 1445 (1945) intestato a *Comita Giovanni*

L'Ufficiale di Posta

AVVERTENZA IMPORTANTISSIMA

La presente ricevuta deve avere attaccati dalla parte sinistra uno o più listini di riscontro, l'ultimo dei quali (Segue a tergo)

Fino a Lire 2000
Fino a Lire 1000
Deposito superiore a L. 1000 fino a L. 2000 (Somma effettiva L. 1.300)
Deposito fino a L. 1000 (Somma effettiva L. 1.300)

Assegno L. 1047
Mittente *Michele Ziminato*
Destinatario *Caracali Ali Rodi*
Tassa L. 150 Espresso L. Firma

E vietato includere valori nelle raccomandate
L'Amministrazione non ne risponde.

Receipt of registered mail cancelled with the registration pmk cds RACCOMANDATE . ASSICURATE . RODI * EGEO * 7.4.45

Italian form of a deposit receipt of 1,300 Lire
Cancelled with the M.O. pmk
Cds VAGLIA F. RISPARMI RODI (EGEO)-7.2.44

2.3 Rhodian Villages

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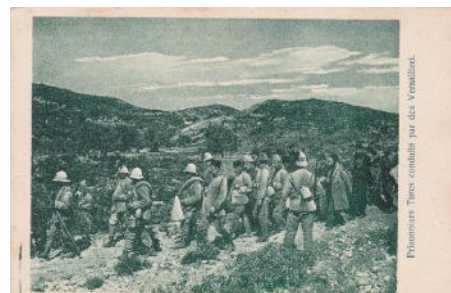
With the declaration of World War I, Italy consolidated its position in the Dodecanese. In 1914, twenty-two P.O.s. were first established in villages in Rhodes. Three more villages established post offices after 1930

Psithos, 12 miles SW of Rhodes Town, is the place where the Italians scored on May 17, 1912. under Gen.Ameglio, a decisive victory over the Turkish defenders of the island, and compelled them to surrender. Population: 460

The P.O. opened in 1914, issued only one postmark type.

43%

12.01.1917 - PERIOD I.



The three Turkish Governors of Rhodes imprisoned, in Psinthos.

Destination Civitanova (Italy).

Domestic rate:

(Period 1916-31.7.1918)
R.D. 9.11.1916 n° 1525
cart with five words 5c.

PPC franked with correct postage of 5c. overprinted **Rodi** stamp (Type Leoni).

cds **R.R. POSTE ITALIANE *PSITHOS (RODI EGEO) 12.1.17**, pmk type A.

This pmk which started with **R.R. POSTE ITALIANE...**, was issued only for the villages of Dodecanese type A.

21.12.1930 - PERIOD II.

Destination Genoa

Arrival marks on reverse
on 03.01.1931
via Brindisi on 02.01.1931.

Domestic rate: (1927-1933)
R.D. 5.8.1927 n° 1416
Letter 50c., air mail 50c. and
registration 1,25L.

Franked with 1.25L stamp
(type Pittorica) and 25c., 75c.
commemorative stamps
(type Virgil) and a 1L.
airpost stamp (type Virgil).

cds **R.R. POSTE ITALIANE
*PSITHO (RODI EGEO)
21.12.30**,
pmk type Aa.

After the 1920s, the "S" from
the name **PSITHO(S)** of the
pmk was omitted, so that it would
resemble a name of Italian origin.

Registration 1-line mark
RODI EGEO on label 1785.
Only the P.O. of Rhodes
had registered markings.



2.3 Rhodian Villages



Apollakia, 35 miles south of Rhodes Town. Population: 400

The P.O. opened in 1914, issued only one postmark type.

02.01.1915 - PERIOD I.



cds RR.POSTE ITALIANE *APOLLAKIA* (Rodi EGEO) 2-1.15, pmk type A.

Destination Lannadi
(another village of Rhodes).

Domestic rate:

(Period 1913-1916)
R.D. 6.2.1913 n° 142
within the district 5c.

Franked with correct postage
of a 5c. overprinted
Rodi stamp (type Leoni).

13.11.1943 - PERIOD III 1943-1945 (Italian- German)



Postage free entire municipal document cancelled with the official marking on blue
MUNICIPIO DI APOLLACHIA* RODI (Egeo) and the postmark of the village as above.

Arrival in Rhodes cds **POSTA AEREA*RODI(EGEO)*14.11.43** (air mail pmk type of Period II) .

Some of the Italian civilian postmarks were used also after the Armistice between Italy and the Allies in 1943 until 1945.

Aphandos, a very important locality, 10 miles south of Rhodes town. Population: 1.600

P.O. has been in operation since 1914. Two types of postmarks existed.

31.12.1916 - PERIOD I.



cds **RR. POSTE ITALIANE *APHANDOS (RODI EGEO) 31.12.16**, pmk type A.

Official Postage Free cover from Afando (signed by the commander of the carabinieri station) to Rhodes.

37%

18.01.1935 - PERIOD II.



Arrival in Trieste on 23.01.1935
via Rhodes 18.01.1935 and
Brindisi on 22.01.1935.

Domestic rate:(1933-1940)
R.D. 20.12.1932 n° 1814
Letter 50c.,air mail 50c.

Franked with correct postage
of a 50c. stamp
(Type Pittorica) and a 50c.
air mail stamp.



Cds **AFANDO * RODI EGEO 18.1.35 XII**, pmk type B.
The air mail label is bilingual (French and Italian).

San Benedetto, It is one of the four experimental agricultural units that the Italians created in Rhodes during the period of the Italian occupation (1912-1946) in order to subsequently transfer them to Italian settlers for use and cultivation. The study of the rural village of Savona or Colibi was carried out by the Italian architects Armando Bernaditi and Rodolfo Petracco. In the 1970s it operated as a nursing home, today as a municipal psychiatric clinic. Renamed Kolympia after the annexation of the Dodecanese to Greece in 1947. *The postal service was forwarded from P.O. of Afandou.*

14.05.1942 - PERIOD II.



Postage free entire municipal document with a round (ink) pmk **MUNICIPIO DI S.BENEDETTO*RODI (Egeo)** to Rhodes.
Arrival pmk of Rhodes P.O. **RODI*(EGEO)*14.5.42**

27.3.1944 - PERIOD III 1943-1945 (Italian- German)



Postage free entire municipal document cds **AFANDO * RODI EGEO 27.3.44**,
pmk type Ba, without the fascist chronology. Censor mark **C4** in a circle
Cancelled with the official mark on lilac **MUNICIPIO DI AFANDO* RODI (Egeo)**.

Some of the Italian civilian postmarks were used also after the Armistice between Italy and the Allies in 1943 until 1945.

2.3 Rhodian Villages

Alaerma, a village in the center of the island, 26 miles south of Rhodes Town. Population: 425

The P.O. opened in 1914. Only one postmark existed.

22.03.1918 - PERIOD I.



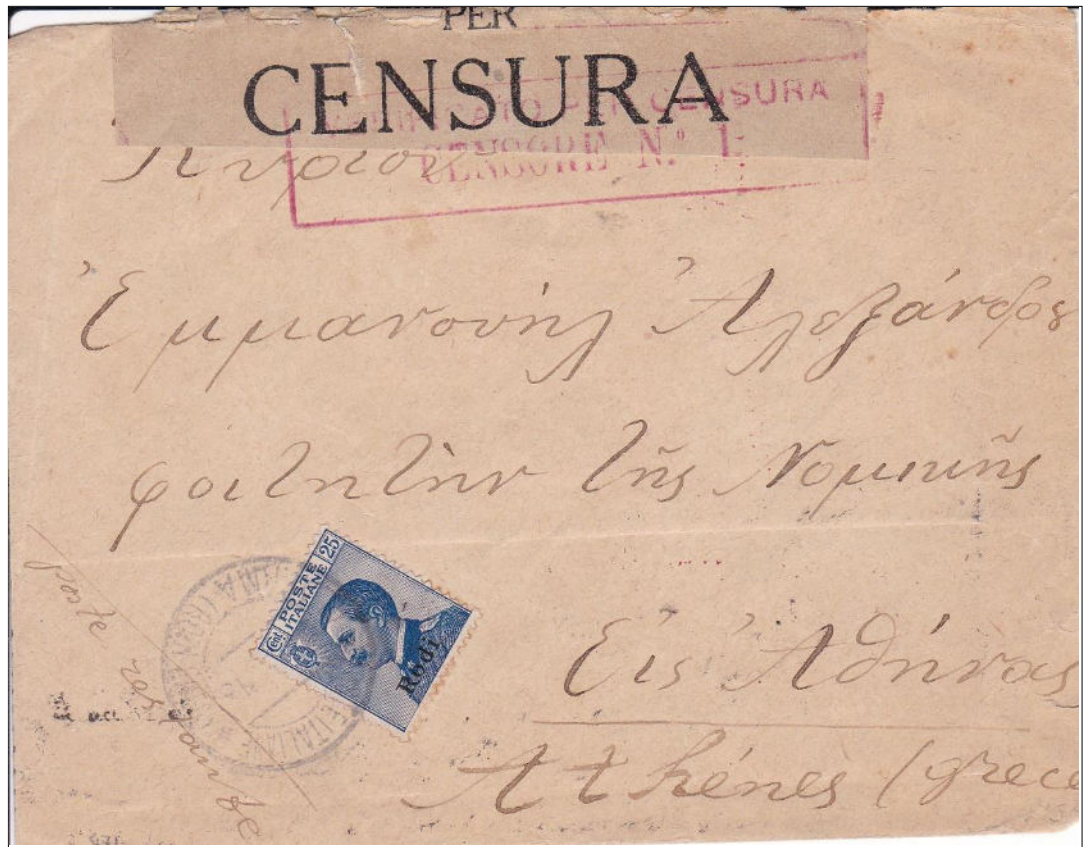
Arrival mark on reverse
in Athens (Greece) on 29.03.1918.

International rate:
(Period 1.10.1907-1921) Letter 25c.

Franked at the correct rate of 25c.
overprinted **Rodi** Italian stamp
(type Michetti)

The cover was sealed with a censor
tape and canceled with the 2- line
boxed censor mark in red of WWI

**VERIFICATO PER CENSURA /
CENSORE N. 1.**



cds **POSTE ITALIANE*ALAERMA (RODI.EGEO) 22.3.18**,
It is the only village that did not use the pmk type A with R.R on the beginning

San Isidoro, 28 miles SW of Rhodes-Town. Population: 620.
Postal service was forwarded from Alaerma village P.O.
Existed a oval postage free mark only for this village.

28.8.1941



Postage free entire municipal document from S. Isidoro
cancelled with the official 3-line oval handstamp on lilac **RR. PP / MUNICIPIO di S. ISIDORO / RODI**
Arrival pmk type of Rhodes P.O. cds **RODI*(EGEO)*28.8.41** pmk type of Period II.

Most Post Offices were installed at the Carabinieri stations or the local military administrations "Presidio", so that the correspondence of the citizens could easily be controlled.

Archangelos, one of the most important localities in the island, 15 miles south of Rhodes Town. Population: 1.400

The P.O. opened in 1914. issued only one postmark type.

11.09.191? - PERIOD I.



Posted to the 73rd Infantry Regiment.

Domestic rate:
(Period 1914-1916)
Directed to military 10c.

Franked at the correct rate
of 10 c. overprinted **Rodi**
Italian stamp (type Leoni).

Also bearing the official marking
"PRESIDIO"
(Local military Command of the village).

cds RR.POSTE ITALIANE *ARCHANGELO(S) (RODI EGEO) 11.9.191?, pmk type A.

33%



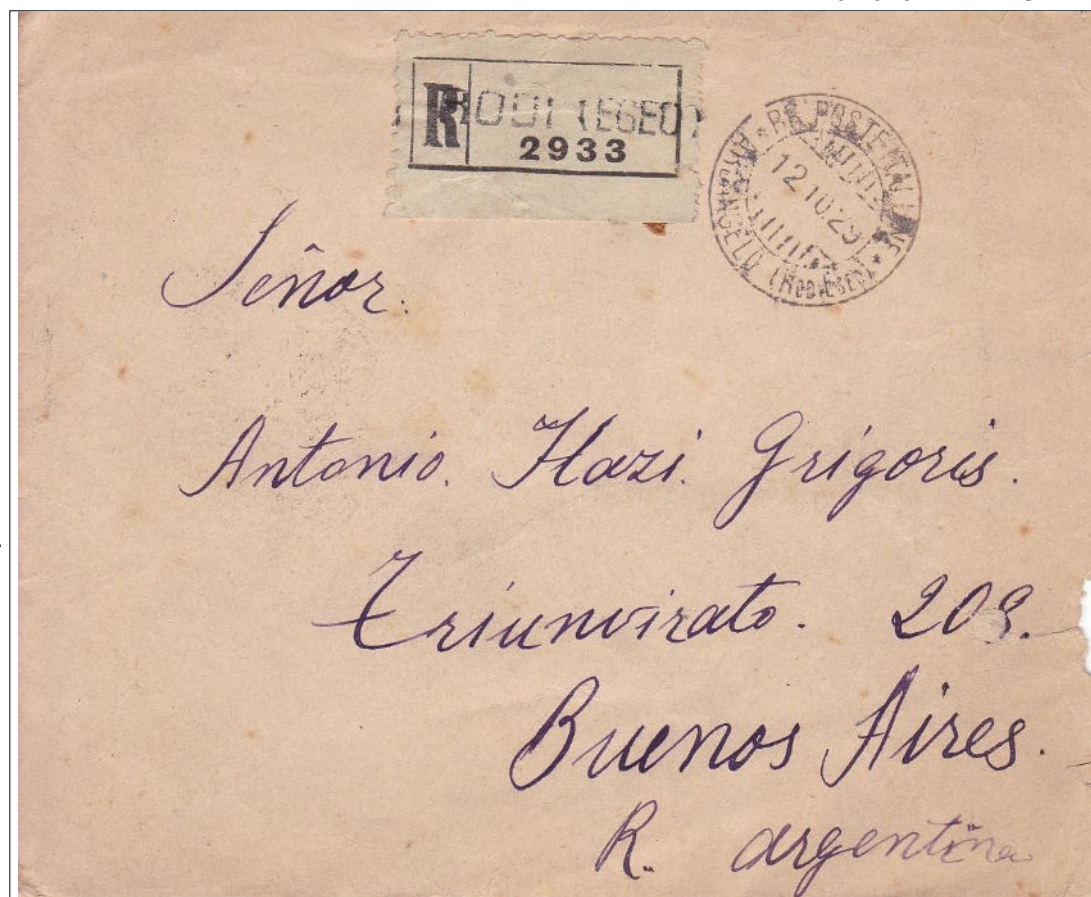
Arrival marks on reverse
in Buenos Aires, Argentina
on 02.11.1929 via Brindisi.

International rate: (1926-1935)
R.D. 15.10.1925 n° 1973
Letter 1,25L, Registration 1,25L.

Franked at the correct rate
of 12 X 20c. and 2 X 5c.
stamps (type Pittorica)
total rate 2,50L.

After the 1920s, the "S" from
the name ARCHANGELO(S)
of the postmark was omitted,
so that it would resemble
a name of Italian origin.

12.10.1929 - PERIOD II.



Registration 1-line marking R: RODI (EGEO) on label n° 2933.

2.3 Rhodian Villages

Apollona 8 miles north of Alaerma. Population: 620

*The P.O. opened after 1930.
Only one postmark type existed*

06.01.1941 - PERIOD II.



Arrival mark on reverse in Altamonte (Calabria) on 12.01.1941.

Domestic Rate:

R.D. 23.5.1940 n° 759
(Period 1.7.1940-1943)
Letter 50c.

Franked with correct postage of 50c. "Pittorica" stamp.

The cover was sealed with a censor tape and canceled with the boxed censor mark n° (1) of WW II, on blue.

cds **APOLLONA*RODI* (EGEO)-6.1.41X**
pmk type B.

Campochiario, was built in 1930 by loggers of the Italian Tyrol. This area inhabited exclusively by Italians, was selected during the Second World War as the site of a training camp for Italian units held in readiness for operations in the Aegean area. In 1947, the village was renamed Eleoussa.

The P.O. opened in 1935 only one postmark type existed.



18.08.1940 - PERIOD II.



Arrival mark on reverse in Ascoli on 24.08.1940.
The cover was sealed with a censor tape
arrival sensor mark on lilac
VISTO-PER CENSURA ASCOLI and sensor n° 27.

Domestic rate: (1933-1940)
Letter 50c. franked with the correct postage of a 50c. stamp (type Pittorica).

Cds **CAMPOCHIARO RODI * EGEO * 18.8.40XI**, pmk type B.

2.3 Rhodian Villages

Cattavia is situated 45 miles south of Rhodes Town where the Italians built a military airfield in the 1930s. Population: 600

It was as one of the five localities where the Italians opened a Receiving Office (Collettorio Postale) in 1914. Only one pmk type existed until 1943.

03.10.1938 - PERIOD I.



Arrival mark on reverse in Genoa on 06.10.1938

Domestic rate:
(Period 1933-1940)
Letter 50c., Air mail 50c.

Franked with correct postage of a 1L air stamp.

Cds RR.POSTE ITALIANE *CATTAVIA (RODI EGEO) -3.10.38. pmk type A.

San Marco The 3rd military airport at the south end of Rhodes was built by Italian laborers and craftsmen. San Marco was renamed to Ag. Paulo after the annexation of the Dodecanese islands in 1947. The postal service was forwarded from the nearby village of Cattavia.

36%

6.03.1944 - PERIOD III 1943-1945 (Italian- German)



Cds RR.POSTE ITALIANE
CATTAVIA (RODI EGEO)
-6.3.44
Arrival in Cosckino
(Another village of Rhodes)
via Rhodes at the same day
Cds RODI *(EGEO)*-6.3.44.

Unique known
up to today postal item.



Postage free entire document from San Marco cancelled with community marking **COMUNE DI S. MARCO RODI (Egeo)**, and the black censor mark **C/3**. Some of the Italian civilian postmarks was used also after the Armistice between Italy and the Allies on 1943 until 1945.



2.3 Rhodian Villages

Castellos 27 miles south of Rhodes Town. The presence of a castle of the Knights may be the reason why the Italians selected this insignificant locality as the site of one of their two first postal establishments in the interior of the island, in 1912. Population: 570

The first Receiving Office (*Collettoria Postale*) opened on September 6, 1912 and closed on October 31, but was reopened in January, 1914 and remained in service until 1947. In 1947, the village was renamed **Kritinia** after the annexation of Dodecanese to Greece. The P.O. opened in 1914. Two postmarks existed.



ods **CASTELLOS * ISOLA DI RODI * 3.-2.25.** pmk type of Period I. This pmk type existed only in Castellos and Lindos. Register postage free official cover to the President of the Rhodes Criminal Court.

2-line registration mark on label

CASTELLOS / ISOLA DI RODI

Bottom Left cancelled with the official

3-line mark **R.R.POSTE**

SEZIONE / CARABINIERI REALI

di CASTELLO (Egeo).

4.4.1918 - PERIOD I.

PPC Rhodes to Reggio (Sicily).

Domestic rate: (Period 1918)

Post cart 20c.

Franked with correct postage of a 20c. stamp (type Michetti).

Cds **RR.POSTE ITALIANE * CASTELLO(S) * (RODI EGEO) -4.4.18** pmk type A.



15.11.1930 - PERIOD II.



Destination Roma
arrival mark
on reverse on 20.11.1930.

Domestic rate: (1927-1930)
Letter 60c.

Franked with correct postage
a 10c. and a 50c. stamps
(type Pittorica).

After the 1920s, the "S" from
the name **CASTELLO(S)**
of the pmk was omitted, so that
it would resemble a name
of Italian origin.



cds RR. POSTE ITALIANE CASTELLO (RODI EGEO) 15.11.30, pmk type Aa.

30.6.1942 - PERIOD II.

Mod. 151 (Ediz. 1939-XVIII)

RICEVUTA N. 7

Io sottoscritto (1) Maresciallo
Delata Giuseppe
dichiaro di aver ricevuto dalla Cassa della Direzione
Postale e Telegrafica di Prodi
la somma di lire (2) Quarantacinque
e cent. zero
dovutami per (3) retribuzione delle Banche
mezz. di Giugno 1942

AMMINISTRAZIONE
DELLE POSTE E DEI TELEGRAFI

DIREZIONE
Prodi

UFFICIO
CASTELLO

di CASTELLO

(1) Cognome, nome e qualità del creditore.
(2) Somma espressa in lettere, depurata delle ritenute.
(3) Oggetto del pagamento.

Visto 30.6.42 XXL
e di Ragioneria

PER QUIETANZA
Delata Giuseppe

Receipt of service payment of one person from the post office of the village of Castellos
cancelled with the above same postmark cds **RR. POSTE ITALIANE CASTELLO (RODI EGEO) 30.6.42**
Franked on arrival to the post office of Rhodes with a 20c. revenues stamp with cds **RODI * EGEO * 30.6.42XX** pmk.

2.3 Rhodian Villages

Cremasti, 7 miles from Rhodes Town on the north-ern high road. Population: 1400

The P.O. opened in 1914. There was not much correspondence because the inhabitants preferred the central P.O. of Rhodes, for quicker transmission. Only one pmk existed.

29.08.1917 - PERIOD I.

Arrival mark on reverse
in Naples on 24.09.1917.

Domestic rate:

(Period 1.12.1916-31.7.1918)

R.D. 9.11.1916 n° 1525

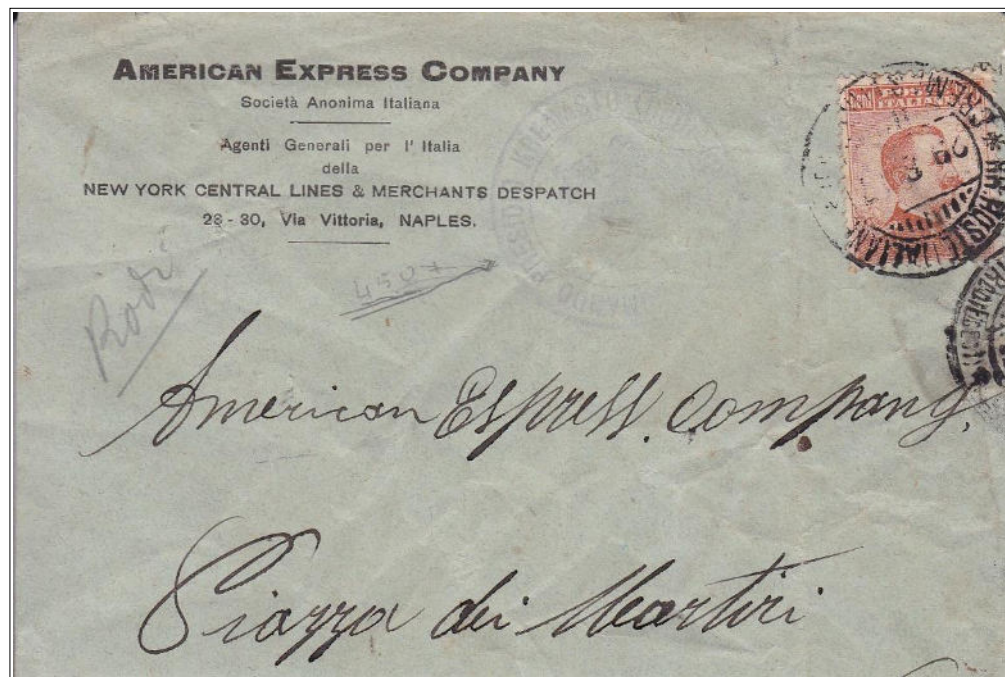
Letter 20c. (New rate).

Franked at the correct rate
of 20 c. Italian stamp
(type Michetti).

Also bearing the official
marking "**Presidio**"
(local military Command
of the village Cremasti).

*The postmark stamp
of the village*

Unique up to the present
on normally mailed item.



Cds RR.POSTE ITALIANE *CREMASTI (RODI EGEO) 29.8.17. pmk type A.

Cosckino, 5 miles south of Rhodes-Town, vegetable producing center.
Mixed population of Greeks and Turks ca. 1100.



30.12.1929 - PERIOD I.

*P.O. opened in 1914
(only one pmk existed).*

Arrival mark on reverse
in Naples on 4.1.1930.

Domestic rate:

(16.08.1927-11.02.1933)

Letter 50c.,

registration 1,25L

*The sender paid more
postage just in case.*

Franked with 5c., 10c., 25c.
and 5L. "Pittorica" stamps .

The registration 1-line mark
on label **RODI (EGEO)**,
was cancelled with the
register pmk of Period I.

*Only the P.O. of Rhodes
had registered markings.*

Cds "RR.POSTE ITALIANE *COSCKINO (RODI EGEO)" 30.12.29. pmk type A.

2.3 Rhodian Villages

Lindos, 26 miles south- east of Rhodes Town is the most famous locality in the island. Its history begins 3000 years ago, when it was one of the three capitals of the Dorians, and the main port. Population: 1000

An Italian Receiving Office "Colletoria Postale" was in operation from 6 September 1912 until 3 Nov. 1912 and then reopened December 1913. Two postmarks existed.

04.08.1917 - PERIOD I.



The oval administrative postmark of the 34th Infantry unit in Lindos indicates that the P.O. was run by the military commander and not the Carabineers.



Arrival marks on reverse in Caserta (Italy) on 10.08.1917 via Rhodes 05.08.1917.



cds **LINDOS*ISOLA DI RODI*-4.8.17**, This pmk type existed only in Lindos and Castellos.

2-line registration marking **R: LINDOS / ISOLA DI RODI** on label n° 387.

Domestic rate: (Period 1.12.1916-31.7.1918), R.D.9.11.1916 n° 1525 Letter 20c., transport to Rhodes 5c., Registration 25c.

Franked at the correct rate of a vertical pair of 25c overprinted **Rodi** stamps (type Michetti)

Arrival marks on reverse in Caserta (Italy) on 10.08.1917 via Rhodes 05.08.1917.

11.05.1929 - PERIOD II.

Arrival marks on reverse in Paris on 17.05.1929 via Rhodes 12.05.1929.

International rate:

(Period 1926-1935)

R.D. 15.10.1925 n° 1973

Letter 1,25 L.

Franked at the correct rate of 1,25L. Italian stamp (type Floreale).

cds

RR. POSTE ITALIANE * LINDO RODI EGEO) 11.5.29

Pmk type of Period II.

After the 1920s, the "S" from the name **LINDO(S)** of the postmark stamp was omitted, so that it would resemble a name of Italian origin.



2.3 Rhodian Villages

Lindos

12.04.1915 - PERIOD I.



Cds RR. POSTE ITALIANE *LINDOS (RODI EGEO)*12.4.15 pmk type of Period I.

Registration 2-line mark LINDOS/ISOLA DI RODI on label n° 397.

Franked with 5c. overprinted Rodi stamp (type) Leoni 15c.,

(25c. sale price 20c. and 50c. sale price 40c.) overprinted Rodi stamps type Michetti.

Arrival in Roma on 29.04.1915 via Rhodes 20.04.1915.

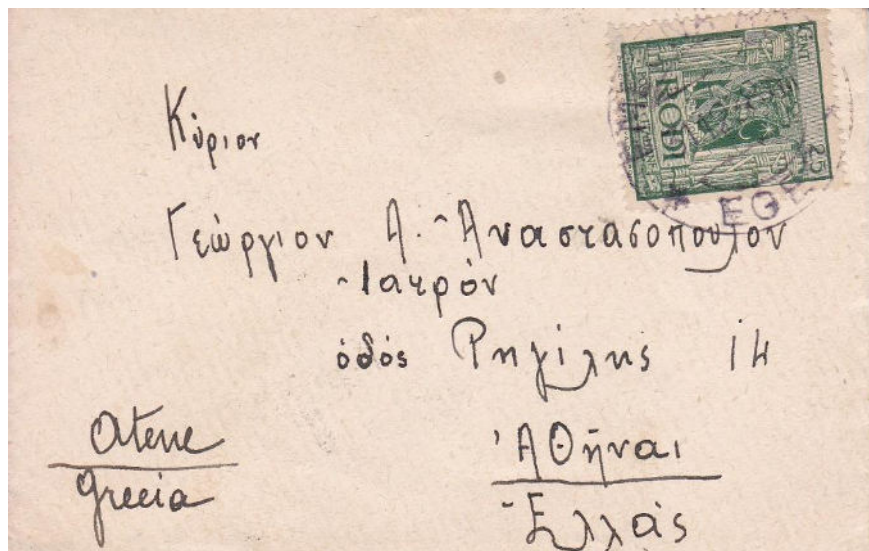
Domestic rate: (Period 1913-1916) Letter 15c., registration 25c. and express mail 25c.



Embona, 25 miles SW of Rhodes Town. Main product wine. Population: 870.

The P.O. opened in 1935. Only one postmark existed.

11.02.1938 - PERIOD II.



Franked with 25c. stamp (type Pittorica).

International rate:
(period 1939-1943)
Letter small
printed matter 25c.

Arrival mark
on reverse in Athens
on 16.2.1938.

cds EMBONA RODI * EGEO 11.2.38 XVI pmk type B.

2.3 Rhodian Villages

Peveragno, The village was colonized by Italian fruit farmers in approximately 1930. There were the farms of "Societa Frutticola" (Fruit Company) of Rhodes. In 1943, Peveragno was renamed "Kalamonas".

The local P.O. opened in 1935. Only one postmark existed.

15.05.1935 - PERIOD II.



Arrival mark on reverse in Genoa on 17.05.1939.

Domestic rate:
(Period 11.2.1933-1940)
Letter 60c., Air mail 50c.

Franked with a vertical pair of 30c. "Pittorica" stamps and one 50c. air stamp.

Cds **PEVERAGNO RODIO RODI * EGEO 15.5.39XVII.** pmk type B.

Platania, 18 miles SW of Rhodes Town. Population: 130 only.

36%



The P.O. opened in 1914.
Only one postmark existed.

Arrival mark on reverse in Genoa on 22.2.1930
via Rhodes on 12.2.1930.

Domestic rate:
Period (1927-1933)
Letter 50c., air mail 50c.

Franked with a 10c., horizontal pair of 20c. "Pittorica" stamps and a 50c. Italian air stamp.

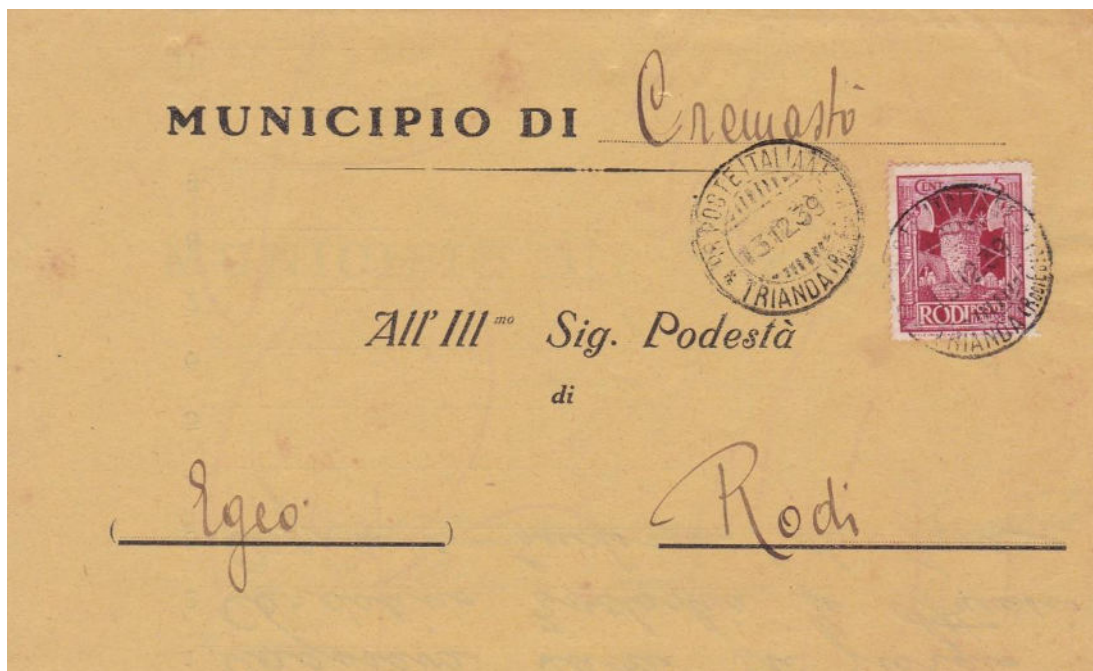


Cds **R.R. POSTE ITALIANE *PLATANIA (RODI EGEO) 10.2.30.** pmk type A.

Trianda, 5 miles of Rhodes Town. It ranks next to Rhodes as the most populous locality in the island (2.000 inhabitants), and its market is the most active in the area.

The P.O. opened in 1914. Only one postmark existed.

13.12.1939 - PERIOD I.



Entire municipal document with a 5 c.stamp (type Pittorica).

Domestic rate:
(Period 1933-1939)
5c. for correspondence
of Mayors.

Cds R.R. POSTE ITALIANE *TRIANDA (RODI EGEO) 13.12.39. pmk type A.

Mixi Postal service of Mixi community was forwarded from Trianda village P.O.

05.09.1940 - PERIOD I.



Postage free entire document cancelled with the official marking "MUNICIPIO * MIXI-RODI"

Postal service of Mixi community was forwarded from Trianda village P.O.

cds RR.POSTE ITALIANE *TRIANDA (RODI EGEO) 5.9.40 arrival in municipal of Rhodes on 12.09.1940.
and arrival back in Trianda village on 12.9.1940.

2.3 Rhodian Villages

Villanova, 9 miles SW of Rhodes Town, was named after the fortress built by the Grand Master Villeneuve in 1345. Following the end of the Italian Occupation in the Dodecanese, it was renamed Paradeisi after the prominent mountain there.
Population: 1.150



The P.O. opened in 1914. Only one pmk existed.

1.9.1940 - PERIOD I.



Postage free entire municipal document from Villanova to Rhodes.

Cancelled with the official marking on blue
MUNICIPIO DI VILLANOVA-RODI (Egeo).

cds R.R. POSTE ITALIANE *VILLANOVA (RODI EGEO) -1.9.40. Type A.

31.05.1944 - PERIOD III 1943-1945 (Italian- German)



Postage free entire municipal document from Villanova to Rhodes cancelled with the same pmk type A as above
cds R.R. POSTE ITALIANE *VILLANOVA (RODI EGEO) 3-3.44 and censor mark C/4.

Arrival in Rhodes on 08.03.1944.

This Italian civilian postmark was used also after the Armistice between Italy and the Allies in 1943 until 1945.

2.3 Rhodian Villages

Monolithos, 37 miles SW of Rhodes Town, facing the island of Chalki, was one of the more important localities in the island during the Italian years. Population: 450.

An Italian Receiving Office (*Collettorio Postale*) was opened in 1914.
Two postmark types existed.

12.07.1921 - PERIOD I.



cds **RR.POSTE ITALIANE *MONOLITHOS (RODI EGEO) 12.7.21**, pmk type A.
and the registration 2-line marking **MONOLITHOS / ISOLA DI RODI** on label.



Arrived in Modena on 19.07.1921
via Rhodes on 14.07.1921.

Domestic rate: (Period 1.4.1920-1921)
R.D. 11.3.1920 n° 316
Letter 25c., Registration 30c.

Franked at the correct rate
with a 40c. overprinted **Rodi**
stamp (sale price 35c.) and one of 20 c.

07.04.1940 - PERIOD II.



Entire municipal document from Monolitho to Rhodes (07/04/1940) cancelled with
the official postage free 3-line oval marking **RR. PP. / Municipio di Monolito / RODI**
cds **MONOLITO*RODI EGEO -7.4.40XVII**, pmk type B.
Arrived in the Rhodian town hall on 8.4.1940.

Monolithos 31.05.1944 - PERIOD III 1943-1945 (Italian- German)



Entire municipal document from Monolithos to Rhodes, cds **MONOLITO*RODI EGEO 31.5.44**, same pmk like B, Ba without the fascist chronology cancelled with the censor mark **C/3**.
This Italian civilian postmark and censor mark was used after the Armistice between Italy and the Allies on 1943 until 1945.

Maritza, 9 miles south of Rhodes Town, and 4 miles inland from Cremasti (village) is the site of the main commercial airport of the island. Population: 650.



**28.02.1941
PERIOD II.**

*The P.O. opened in 1914.
Two pmk types existed.*

Postage free
 Municipal doc.
 from Pastida via
 Marizza
 to Rhodes.

Arrived in
Rhodes on
 30.02.1941.

*Pastida (village)
 postal service
 was forwarded
 from P.O.
 of Marizza.*

cds **MARIZZA-RODI * EGEO 28.2.41**. This postmark type of Period II exists only in Marizza village.

2.3 Rhodian Villages

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Jannadi, 33 miles south of Rhodes Town. Population: 650

The P.O. opened in 1914. Two postmarks existed.



Arrival mark on reverse in
Castellana on 21.08.1918

Domestic rate:

(Period 1.8.1918-1919) Letter 20c.

Franked with 25c. overprinted **Rodi** stamp
(type Michetti) sale price 20c.

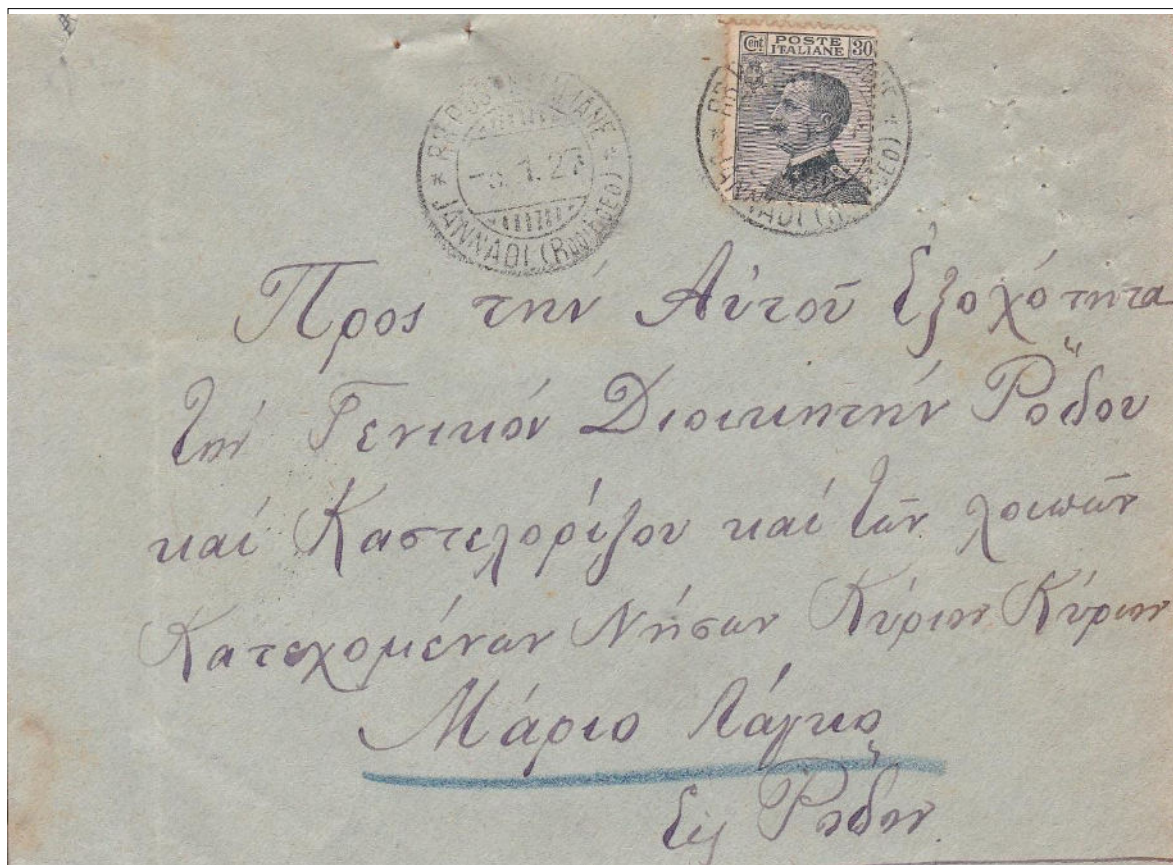
14.08.1918 - PERIOD I.



Cds **RR.POSTE ITALIANE *JANNADI * (RODI EGEO) 14.8.18**

Pmk type A, (The postmark in red ink is rarely used).

06.01.1927 - PERIOD II.



The letter is addressed
to **Mario Lago**
Military commander of
the Dodecanese islands
1922-1936.

Domestic rate:

(Period 1.9.1926-1927)

R.D. 20.8.1926 n° 1433

within the district,

Letter 30c

Franked with 30 c.

Italian stamp (type Michetti).

Cds **RR. POSTE ITALIANE *JANNADI (RODI EGEO)-6.1.27** pmk type A.

They did not change the postmark in the Period II, because the name of the village Jannadi resemble a name of Italian origin.

Arrival mark on reverse in Rhodes on 08.01.1927.

2.3 Rhodian Villages

Jannadi

19.04.1942 - PERIOD II.

MUNICIPIO **DI COMUNE DI IANNADI**

Al Signor PODESTA

di

Lindos (Rodi'Egeo)



Entire municipal
Postage free
document.

Arrived in Lindos
another village of
Rhodes on 20.04.1942.

Cancelled with the
official mark
**COMUNE DI IANADI
RODI (Egeo).**

Cds I ANNADI * RODI EGEO 19.4.42XVI, pmk type B.

Lardos, 4 miles of Lindos. Population: 370

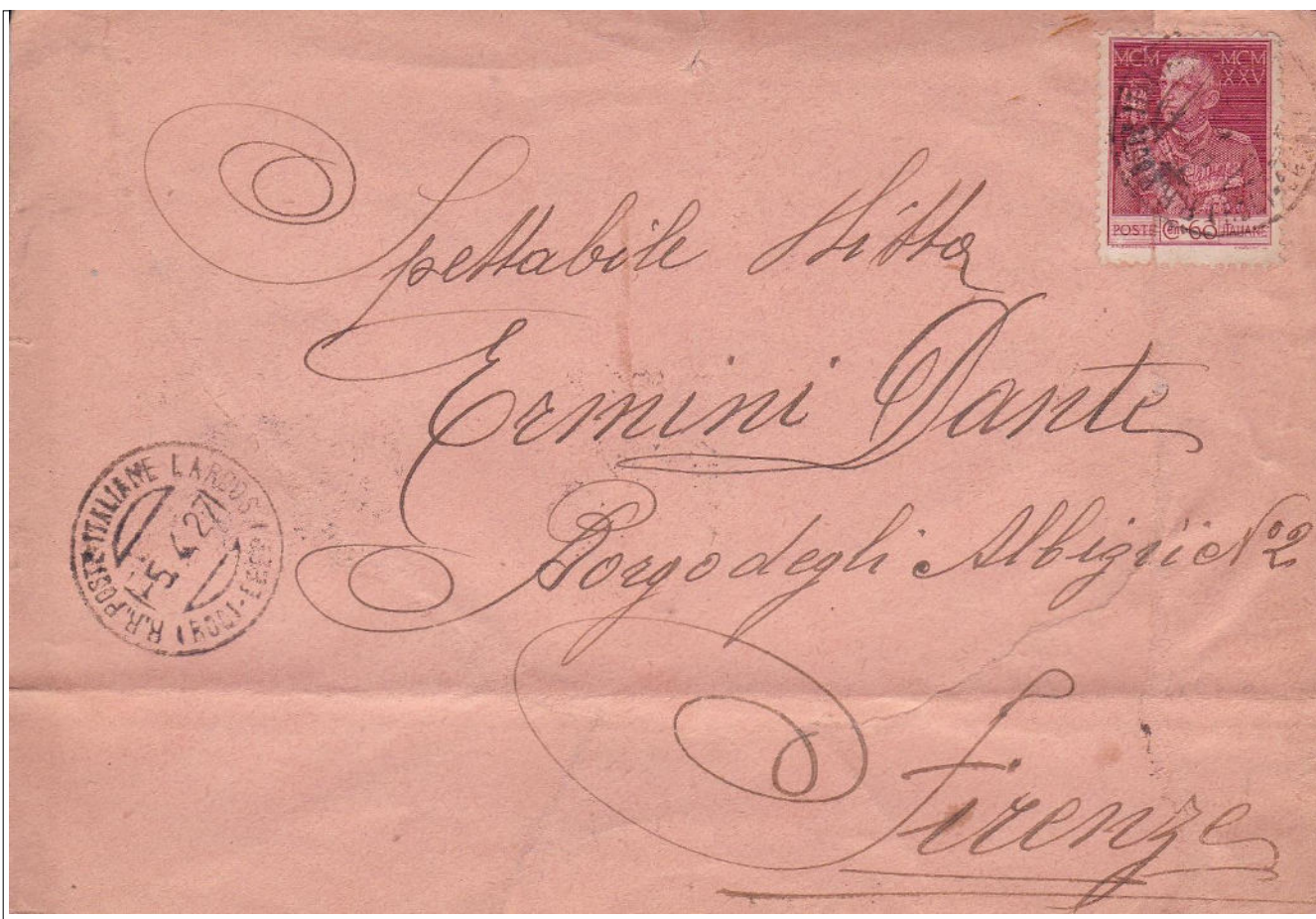
The P.O. opened in 1916, one postmark existed. Issued until 1943.

05.04.1927 - PERIOD I.

Arrival on
reverse
in Florence
on 10.04.1927
via Rhodes
07.04.1927.

Domestic rate:
(1926-1927)
Letter 60c.
R.D. 20.8.1926
n° 1433.

Franked at the
correct postage
of 60c.
Italian stamp
(Type Jubilee
of King
Emanuele III).



Cds RR. POSTE ITALIANE LARDOS (RODI-EGEO) -5.4.27 pmk type A.

2.3 Rhodian Villages

Malona, 4 miles south of Archangelos, an active agricultural center. Population: 1.200

The P.O. opened in 1914. Two postmarks existed.

19.06.1914 - PERIOD I.



View from the bay of Malona village.

PPC cancelled with the official postage free mark
**R. GUARDIA DI FINANZA*
COMANDO DI BRIGATA**
(R. FINANCE POLICE *
BRIGADE COMMAND).

Arrived in Castellos
(another village of Rhodes west
of the island) on 21.(5).1914
(Error on the month the
correct one is 6).

Cds **R.R. POSTE ITALIANE *MALONA (RODI EGEO) 19.6.14**, pmk type A.

Unique up to the present on normally posted item.

It was replaced by the end of 1917 omitting the "RR".

02.03.1924 - PERIOD II.



Arrival mark on reverse
in U.S.A. on 17.3.1924

International rate:

(Period 1923-1925)

R.D. 17.12.1922 n° 1638

Letter 1 Lire.

Franked at the correct rate
of a Horizontal pair of two 55c.
stamps overprinted with a
new rate of **Cent. 50.**
(type Michetti).



cds **POSTE ITALIANE *MALONA (RODI EGEO) 2-3.24** new postmark

This postmark was in use up to the end of the Italian Occupation.

2.3 Rhodian Villages

Salakos, in Italian Salaco, 20 miles SW of Rhodes town. Population: 580.

The P.O. opened in 1914. Two postmark types existed.

23.01.1916 - PERIOD I.



cds R.R. POSTE ITALIANE *SALAKOS (RODI EGEO) 23.1.16, pmk type A



Destination Archagelos (another village of Rhodes).

Domestic rate: (Period 1916)
R.D. 9.11.1916 n° 1525
postal card within the district 5c.

PPC franked with a 5 c.
overprinted **Rodi** stamp
(type Leoni). Correct rate.

04.12.1927- PERIOD II.



PPC The facade of the market

Destination Montova (Mantua Italy)

Domestic rate: (Period 1927-1933)
R.D. 5.8.1927 n° 1416
Cart postal with five words 20c.
Franked with the correct
stamp of 20c. (type Michetti).



cds RR. POSTE ITALIANE SALAKO (RODI EGEO) -4.12.27, pmk type Aa.

After the 1920s, the "S" from the name SALAKO(S) of the postmark was omitted, so that it would resemble a name of Italian origin.

Siana, 28 miles SW of Rhodes Town and 3 miles north of Monolithos. Population: 470.

14.10.1924

The P.O. opened in 1914.
Only one postmark existed.

On arrival cancelled with a
Machine publicity postmark
ΑΘΗΝΑ 19 ΟΚΤ 24 9Π
and the slogan on reverse.

International rate:
(Period 1923-1925)
R.D. 17.12.1922 n° 1638
Letter 1,20 Lire.

Franked with a 20c.
And a horizontal pair of 50 c.
Italian stamps
(type "Michetti").



Cds R.R. POSTE ITALIANE *SIANA (RODI EGEO) 14.10.24. PERIOD I.



Fanes, 17 miles SW of Rhodes Town. Population: 440

The P.O. opened in 1914. Two types of postmarks existed.

15.03.1925 - PERIOD I.



Arrived in Athens
on 21.03.1925.

International rate:
(Period 1923-1925)
R.D. 17.12.1922 n° 1638
Letter 1 Lire.

Franked at the correct rate
of two 50c. Italian stamps
(type Michetti).

cds RR.POSTE ITALIANE *
FANES 15.3.25, pmk type A.

3. CHALKI (KALKI)

It is situated 6 miles north of the western coast of Rhodes, Population: 1.750.
The island was occupied with the help of *cruiser ship "DUCA DI GENOVA"* on May 8, 1912.

*The P.O. opened on July 20, 1912
at the little port of SCALA.
Three postmarks existed.*

40%

13.10.1912 - PERIOD I.



cds **POSTE ITALIANE KARKI (Egeo) 13 OTT 1912**, ordinary rubber pmk (1st type).



Cancelled with the bilingual
Official municipal marking

**MUNICIPIO
DELL' ISOLA DI HALKI (EGEO) /
ΔΗΜΑΡΧΙΑ ΧΑΛΚΗΣ.**

Domestic rate

(1.9.1905-28.2.1913)

R.D. 6.10.1905 n° 519

correspondence of municipalities 10c.

PPC to Torino franked at the
correct rate of 1c. and
a horizontal pair of 2c
Italian stamps (type Floreal)
and a 5 c. (type Leoni).

Arrival marks on reverse
in Hannover (Germany)
on 28.2.1913
via Rhodes 13.2.1913.

International rate:

(Period 1907-1920)

R.D. 10.9.1906 n° 543

Letter 25c., Registration 25c.

Franked with correct postage
50c. overprinted Italian stamp
with **Karki** (type Michetti).

2-line registration rubber

mark 1st type on label n° 223.

R: POSTE ITALIANE /

KARKI (Egeo)

cds **POSTE ITALIANE
KARKI (Egeo) 10 FEB 1913**

*The above rubber pmk
after one year was deformed
due to the use of Indian ink.
This was done on all the
Dodecanese islands and the
pmk was replaced after 1913.*

10.02.1913 - PERIOD I.



3. CHALKI (KALKI)

35%

12.05.1924 - PERIOD I.



Waxed seals with
"POSTE ITALIANE"

Arrived in Milan on 25.5.1924
via Rhodes 15.5.1924.

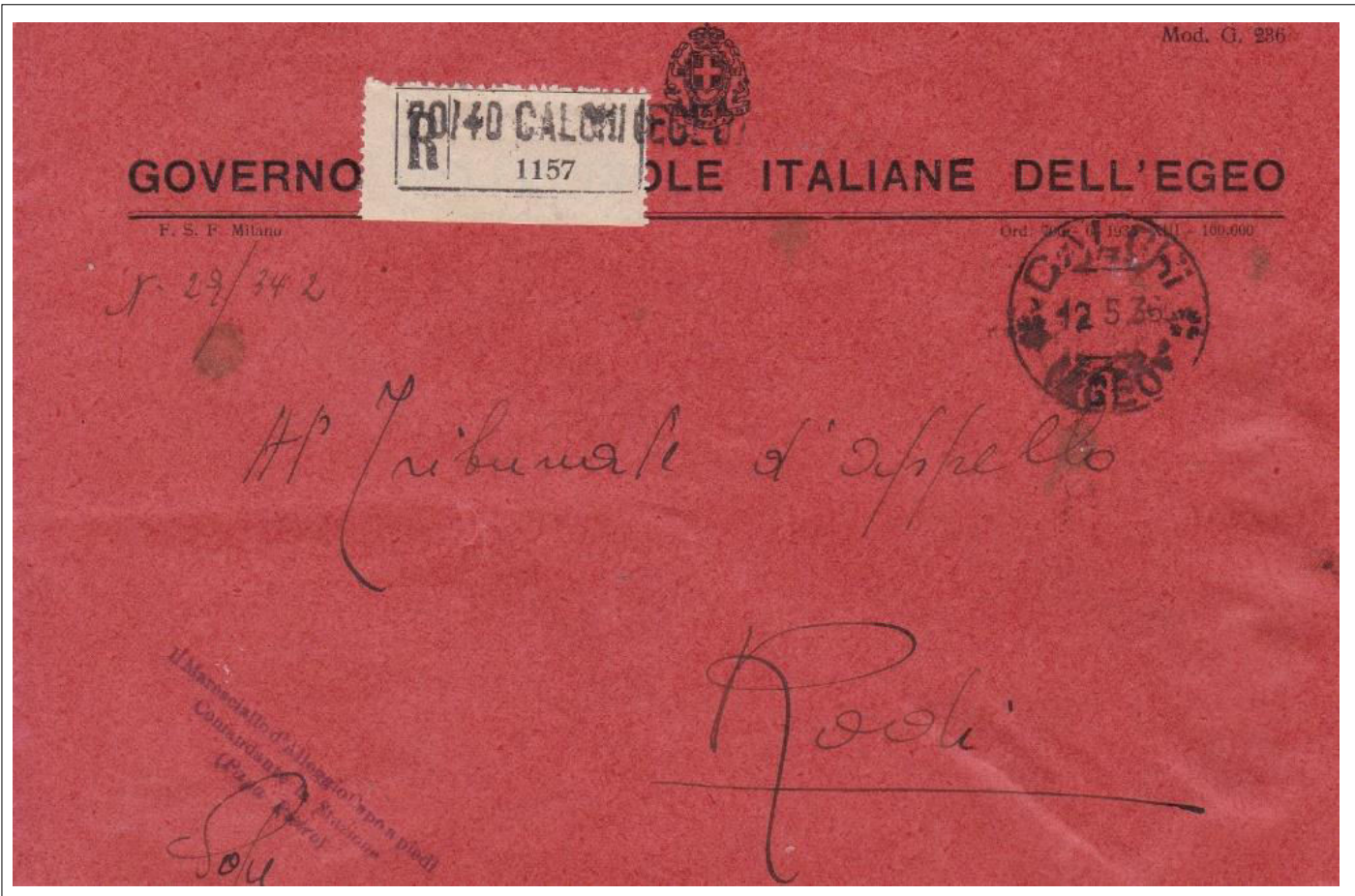
Domestic rate: (1924)
R.D. 1.5.1924 n° 768
Letter (15g) 50 c.,
2nd weight (15g.-30g) 50c.
Insurance for 90 L.=75 c.
(Until 200 L. was 75 c.).

Franked with one 25 and
three 50 c. overprinted **Rodi**
stamps (type Michetti).
Correct total rate 1,75L.



cds **POSTE ITALIANE*KALKI (EGEO) 12.5.24**, (2nd pmk type).
1-line registration marking 2nd type **KALKI (EGEO)** on insured label A n° 333.

12.05.1936 - PERIOD II.



Registered official postage-free cover from Calkhi to Rhodes, cds **CALCHI * (EGEO) 12.5.36**, (3rd pmk type).
and registration 1-line marking on label with the money order code number of the island (**70/40 CALCKI (EGEO)**).

4. PISCOPI (TILOS)

Is situated half-way between Nisiros and Chalki. Population: 2.000 in 1912.
The island was occupied on May 12, 1912 with the help of battle-ships "ROMA" and "NAPOLI".

The P.O. opened on August 7, 1912. In the main village Megalo Chorio and until 1943
Three postmark types existed. The island was renamed **Tilos** (1947).

07.12.1912 - PERIOD I.



cds **POSTE ITALIANE PISCOPI (Egeo) 7-DIC.1912**, (1st rubber pmk type).

Domestic rate: (Period 1.9.1905-1.3.1913) Letter 15c., registration 25c.

Franked with 5c. (type Leoni), 15c. and 25c. (type Michetti) overprinted **Piscopi** Italian stamps (Sale price for the 25c. was 20c.) and registration 2-line marking **R: POSTE ITALIANE / PISCOPI (Egeo)** on label n° 115. Arrived in Roma on 30.12.1912.

11.11.1912 - PERIOD I.

Arrival mark on reverse
in Bergamo on 21.11.1912

Domestic rate: (Period 1.9.1905-1.3.1913)

Small cover id., within the district 2c.

R.D. 6.10.1905 n° 519

Franked at the correct rate

With a vertical pair of 1c. Italian stamps

cds **POSTE ITALIANE PISCOPI (Egeo) 11NOV.1912**,

The pmk is the same as the one above but
in the month of November it was defaced
and withdrawn from circulation.



4. PISCOPI (TILOS)

22.05.1913 - PERIOD I.



cds **POSTE ITALIANE*PISCOPI (EGEO) 22.5.13**, (2nd pmk type)

Domestic rate: (period 1.3.1913 -1916) R.D. 6.2.1913 n° 142

PS letter card (Biglietto Postale) 15c.

Franked at the correct rate with a printed stamp of 20 cent "Floreale" overprinted with **15c.** (new rate)

Destination Savona.

41%

31.03.1935 - PERIOD II.



Cover to USA via Rhodes on 1.4.1935

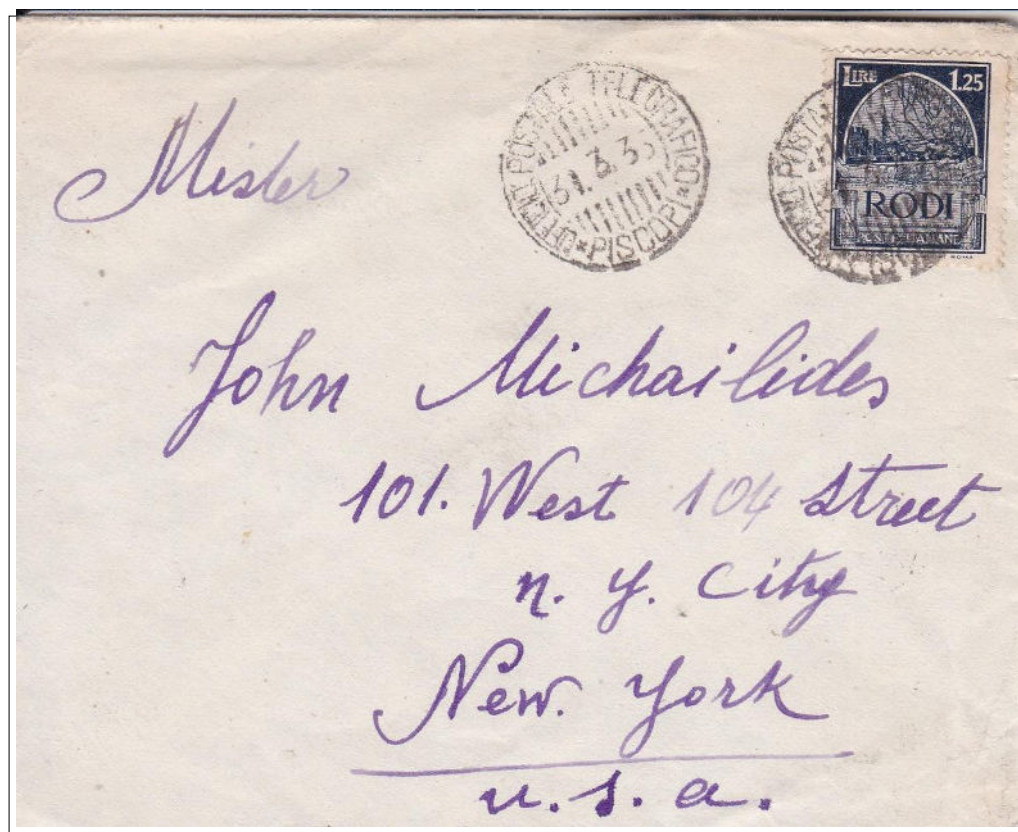
The sender emphasizes the Italianness of Tilos

International rate: (1935-1939)

R.D. 28.2.1935 n° 185

Letter 1,25L.

Franked at the correct rate of a 1,25L Italian stamp (type Pittorica).



cds **UFFICIO POSTALE TELEGRAFICO*PISCOPI*31.3.35** (3th pmk type).

5. NISIROS

Is situated 9 miles south off of Cos and is known for its volcano. Population 3.200. It was occupied on May 12, 1912 with the help of battleship "ROMA" and cruiser "PISA".

The Italian P.O. opened on July 21, 1912 at the main port Mandraki. Until 1943 six types of postmarks existed.

17.6.1912 - PERIOD I.



32%



The cover is posted via Rhodes Cds **POSTE ITALIANE RODI (EGEO) 17 JUL. 1912** Pmk type of Period I. Arrived to (a prisoner of war) in Salerno on 25.6.1912.

Franked at the correct **domestic rate** of 15c. with Italian stamp (type Michetti)



Temporary negative double-circle local handmade postmark without date, **MUNICIPIO DI NISIROS-POSTA 1912** used only for a **few days** (12th May-20 July).

Very important official marking **COMMISSIONE PER PRICIONERI DI GUERA-MINISTERO GUERRA** (Ministry commission for prisoners of war)

39%



Destination Rome.

Domestic rate:

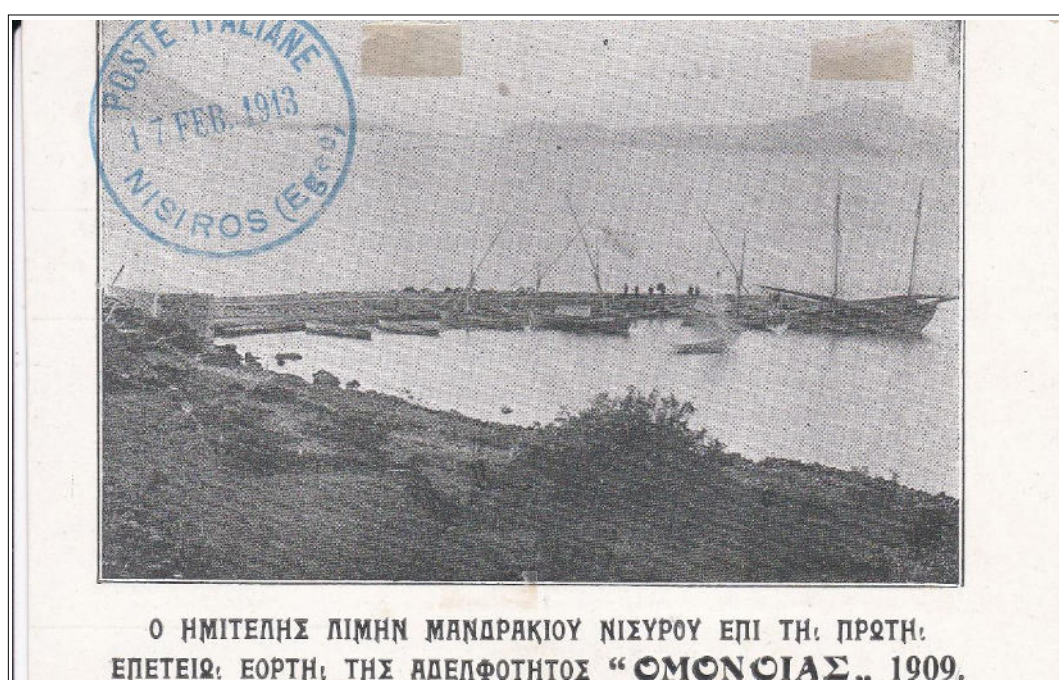
(Period 1905-1.3.1913)

R.D. 6.10.1905 n° 519

Card (reply paid) 5c.

Greek PPC franked with 5c. overprinted **Nisiros** stamp. (Correct rate)

17.02.1913 - PERIOD I.



cds **POSTE ITALIANE NISIROS (Egeo) 17 FEB.1913**, (1st rubber pmk type).

5. NISIROS

37%

13.04.1922 - PERIOD I.



Arrived in Florence
on 03.05.1922
via Rhodes 22.04.1922.

Domestic rate:

Period 1.2.1922-31.12.1922
R.D. 23.11.1921 n° 1824
Letter 40c, Registration 50c,
Insurance for (200L=75c).
The cover was insurance
for 90,20L.

Franked at the correct rate of
two 60c, two 20c Italian
stamps (type Michetti)
and one 5c (type Leoni).
Total rate 1,65 Lire.



cds **POSTE ITALIANE*NISEROS (EGEO) 13.4.22**, (2nd pmk type).
Registration 1-line marking **NISEROS** on insured label **A** with n° 303.

15.08.1915 - PERIOD I.

34%



Arrival in Rhodes on 23.08.1915

Domestic rate: (1913-1916)

R.D. 6.2.1913 n° 142
Letter 15c., register 25c.

Franked with correct postage
of 50c. overprinted stamp
Nisiros (type Michetti)
sale price 40c.

The letter is addressed
to **Giovanni Croce**
Military commander of
the Dodecanese islands
1914-1917.

The commander's name
is written in Greek
Ιωάννη Κρόσε.

cds **RR. POSTE ITALIANE *NISEROS (EGEO) 15.8.15**, (3rd pmk type)
Registration 1-line marking **NISEROS** on label **R** with n° 383.

30.06.1941 - PERIOD II.



Entire municipal document from Nisiros to Rhodes

Cds **NISIRO** * **UFFICIO POSTALE TELEGRAFICO 30.6.41** (6th pmk telegram type**Domestic rate:** 1940-1943 mayoral correspondence within the district 10c.

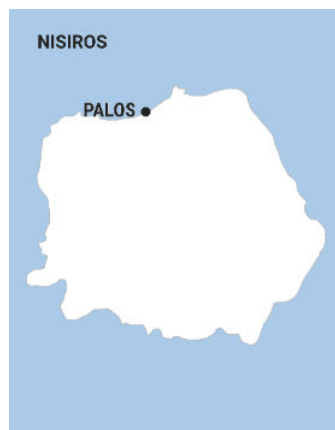
franked with correct postage a 10 c. "Pittorica" stamp.

5.1 Nisiros village

Palos 2 miles east of Mandraki (Main Town) was the emplacement of the hot springs of Nisiros, and had two Thermal Establishments. In 1912, the small Thermal named "Hippocrates", belonged to Dr. Pantelides.

The P.O. opened on August 1, 1913, by the Carabinieri. Only one pmk existed.

26.07.1914 - PERIOD I.

cgs **RR. POSTE ITALIANE *PALUS (NISEROS EGEO) 26.7.14.**

37%



Arrived in Constantinople on
02.08.1914 via Nisiros 27.07.1914.

International rate:

(Period 1.10.1907-1.2.1921)

Letter 25 cent.

Franked with correct postage of
25c. overprinted **Nisiros**
Italian stamp (type Michetti).

6. KALYMNOS

The island is situated between Leros (1 mile to the north) and Cos (8 miles to the south). Population: 25.000 in 1912. It was occupied by Italy on May 12, 1912 with the help of *cruiser ships* "R.N.PISA" and "R.N. SAN MARCO", under the vice admiral Ernesto Presbitero. It is world famous for its sponge fishing.

The P.O. opened on July 1, 1912 at the main town Chora. Until 1943, seven types of postmarks existed.

30.07.1912 - PERIOD I.



Destination Maria della Versa (Pavia Italy).

Domestic rate: (1905-1913)

R.D. 6.10.1905 n° 519

Letter 15 c.

Franked at the correct rate of 5 c. Italian stamps (type Leoni) in horizontal strip of three.

cds **POSTE ITALIANE KALIMNO (Egeo) 30 LUG 1912**, (1st rubber pmk type).

35%

01.10.1913 - PERIOD I.



Arrived in Altamura (Italy)
on 10.10.1913 via Brindisi.

Domestic rate: (1913 -1916)

R.D. 6.2.1913 n° 142

Letter(15g.) 15c. handwritten gr.15
on top left, Registration 25 c.
and Insurance for 300 Lire 10 c.
(Total rate 50 cent).

Franked at the correct rate of
two 15 c. and one 25 c. Italian
overprinted **Calimno** stamps
sale price 20c. (type Michetti).

Cds **POSTE ITALIANE ***
KALYMNNO(EGEO) -1.10.13.(2nd type)

Registration 2-line marking
POSTE ITALIANE / KALIMNO (Egeo)
on insurance label A n° 369.



Post office wax seals POSTE ITALIANE * KALYMNNO (EGEO)
with coat of arms on flap. (Excellent condition).
Unique up to the present.



[illegible]

Franked with
seven special Italian
parcel stamps
vertical strip of 2L.
one of 1L. and
one of 50c.&
Printed cost of 1L.
(Total value 16.50 L.)

300	VAGLIA VALIDA
200	VAGLIA VALIDA
100	VAGLIA VALIDA
50	VAGLIA VALIDA

addi 28/12 29

UFFICIALE DI POSTA

N. d'arrivo

28.12.25

POSTE ITALIANE

3

VAGLIA

INDICAZIONE DEI SEGNETASSE

Unique known up to the present, franked with two pieces of the 3 Lire postal order stamps (Vaglia) (e).

6. KALYMNOS

27.01.1923 - PERIOD I.



Arrival in Rhodes
on 31.01.1923.

Cancelled with the red
Administrative cachet:
TRIBUNALE DI CALIMNOS.

Registration 1-line mark
KALIMNO (EGEO)
on label n° 420

Registered postage free official (court) cover from Kalymnos to Rhodes
cds **RR.POSTE ITALIANE *KALYMNO (EGEO) 27.1.23** (3rd pmk type).

42%



PPC View from the small village
of the spongers Mesolafasi.

Destination Berlin (Germany).

International rate: (1926)
R.D. 15.10.1925 n° 1973
PPC 75c.

Franked with the correct postage
Of 5c., 10c. stamps (type Leoni)
And 60c. stamp (type Michetti).

04.11.1926 - PERIOD II.

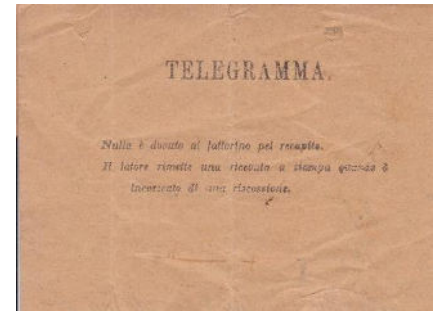
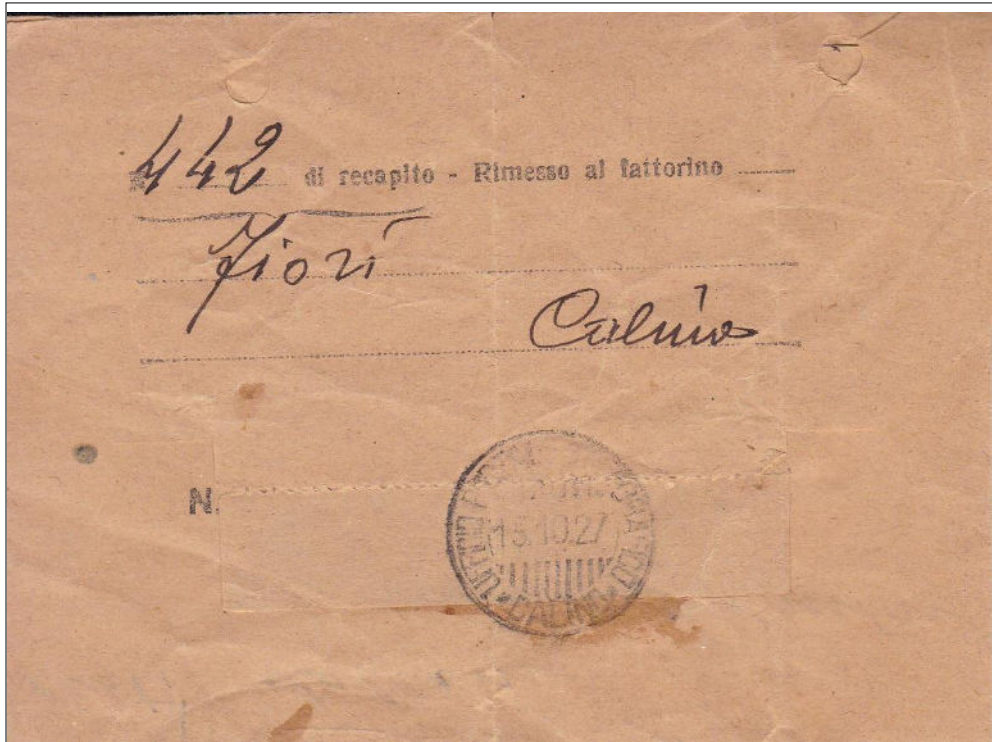


Cds **UFFICIO POSTALE TELEGRAFICO*CALINO*-4.11.26**
(4th pmk type) for telegrams.

6. KALYMNOS

15.10.1927 - PERIOD II.

42%



Rate: (Period 1926-1930)
each word was about 45c.
total paid 2,70L.

Telegram with 6 words originated from Rhodes with arrival cds **UFFICIO POSTALE TELEGRAFICO*CALINO*15.10.27** (4th pmk type) for telegrams.

13.2.1929 - PERIOD II.

Indicazioni e		Servizio		(Mod. 30 Teleg. 1922)	
Indicazioni di urgenza	Urgente oppure = D. Risposta pagata x parole » = RPX Risposta pagata urgente x parole » = RPD Telegramma collezionato » = TC Avviso di ricevimento telegrafico » = PC Avviso di ricevimento telegrafico urgente » = PCD Avviso di ricevimento postale » = PCP Far proseguire » = FS Far proseguire pagato » = FSP Posta raccomandata » = PR	11	telegr. militare	UFFICIO POSTALE TELEGRAFICO*CALINO*13.2.29	UFFICIO TELEGRAFICO DI
Governo non assume alcuna responsabilità civile in conseguenza tasse riscosse in meno per errore od in seguito a rifiuto o irregolarità del destinatario è invitato a firmare la ricevuta presentata dal fattorino. In mancanza di indicazioni, il destinatario perde il diritto a reclamare in caso di errore.		Ricevuto un telegramma di parole N. 44 per Calino il 13.2.29 ore 11.25		completate dal mittente. consegna del telegramma. In mancanza di indicazioni, il telegramma sarà consegnato al meridio corrispondente al tempo medio dei paesi e con vari paesi alla mezzanotte di altra. I numeri in caratteri romani il primo numero d'origine rappresenta quello del telegramma, gli altri la data, l'ora e la destinazione.	
ricevuto il	192 ore	DESTINAZIONE	PROVENIENZA	VIA E INDICAZIONI EVENTUALI D'UFFICIO	
del circuito N.	13.2.29		COO	11.25	
44 prosequa vendita esclusivamente mer... deteriorabile stop Binchiando dovute cautele					

Telegram with 42 words originated from Cos with arrival cds **CALINO*(EGEO)*13.2.29**. (5th pmk type).

Ordinary pmk cancelled on telegram.

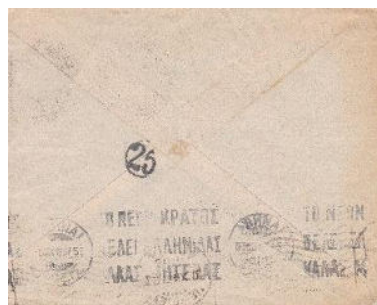
Rate: (Period 1926-1930) each word was about 45c. total paid 18,90 L.

The telegram refers to a decision of the court of Kos. The receipt of dispatch from Kos with the same date has been pasted on the telegram and has been stamped with the telegram postmark of Kos cds **UFFICIO POSTALE TELEGRAFICO*COO*13.2.29**.

6. KALYMNOS

33%

29.11.1937 - PERIOD II.



Arrival in Athens on 03/12/1937
Censored with censor mark **25**
cancelled with Greek slogan
on machine publicity postmark

TO NEON KRATOS
ΘΕΛΕΙ ΕΛΛΗΝΙΔΑΣ
ΚΑΛΑΣ ΜΗΤΕΡΑΣ

THE NEW STATE
WANTS GOOD GREEK
MOTHERS

International rate: (1935-1939)
Letter 1.25L.
R.D. 28.2.1935 n° 185

Franked with the correct postage
of a horizontal Pair of 50c and
a single of 25c.stamps (type Pittorica).



cds **CALINO * (EGEO)* 29.11.37** (5th pmk type).

15.02.1939 - PERIOD II.



Cds **POSTE - CALINO * EGEO * 15.2.39XVII** (6th pmk type).

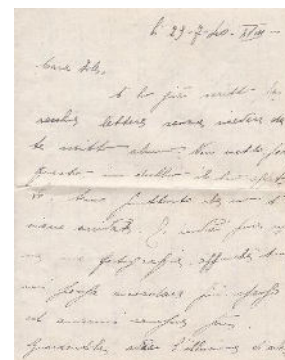
Entire municipal document from Kalymnos to Rhodes franked with 5c. stamp (type Pittorica).

Domestic rate: (1933-1940) R.D. 20.12.1932 n° 1814

Entire folded official letter 5c.

6. KALYMNOS

06.08.1940 - PERIOD II.



The letter was found inside the folder.

Arrival mark on reverse in S. Secondo –Parma on 11.8.1942

The sender was a soldier from a camp in Kalymnos. It has a military censorship number 8 in rectangular. The cover reached its destination with the civil P.O., where it was sealed with censor tape and cancelled with the censor 1-line mark Verificato per Censura.

Cds **CALINO*EGEO*-6.8.40** (7th pmk type) was the last one of the Italian Era.
 Franked with two 10c. and one 30c. stamps (type Pittorica).
Domestic rate: (1940-1943) R.D. 23.5.1940 n° 759, Letter 50c.

12.08.1944 - PERIOD III 1943-1945 (Italian- German)

Arrival mark on reverse in Rhodes on 2.9.1944.

Domestic rate:
 (Period 9.9.1943-1945)
 D.M. 16.6.1944 n° 759
 Municipal correspondence 30c.

Franked with 5c. and 25c. stamps (type Pittorica).

Cancelled with black censor mark **C4** in small circle.

Municipal official mark in violet **MUNICIPIO DI CALINO *EGEO***



Entire municipal document cds **CALINO*EGEO*12.8.44**

The above 7th postmark type was used also after the Armistice between Italy and the Allies on 1943, the postmark from much use was destroyed and not easy to read. The activity of the Civil P.O. was practically non-existent & the few postal items that have been found are rare.

7. Casos

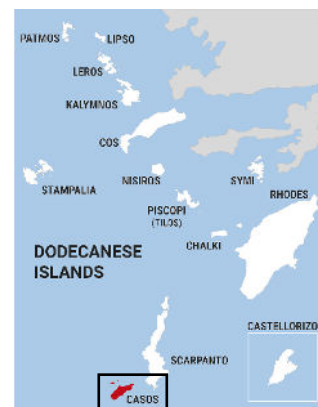
It is situated 5 miles to the east from Scarpato . Population: 1.750.
The island was occupied on May 12, 1912 with the help of *battle-ship* "REGINA ELENA", and *destroyer-ship* "ALPINO".

The P.O. opened on July 21, 1912 at the main port Ophrys.
Three types of postmarks existed.

10.12.1912 - PERIOD I.



PPC (Naval battle of Lepanto 1571) cds **POSTE ITALIANE CASO (Egeo) 10 DIC. 1912.**
(1st rubber pmk type).



41%



Arrival in Nice (France) on
18.12.1912 via the military
P.O. of Rhodes
cds **POSTE MILITARE**
6^A DIVISIONE 18 DIC.12
The civilian correspondence was
accepted only if franked with
Italian stamps.

International rate: (1907-1921)
Rome Accords of 1906, PPC 5c.
Franked with the correct postage
of 5c. Italian stamp (type Leoni).

06.03.1913 - PERIOD I.

Arrival marks on reverse in
Ulm (Germany) on 25.3.1913
via Rhodes 17.3.1913.

International rate:

Period 1907-1921)
Letter 25c., Registration 25c.
Transportation fee from
another country 20c.

Franked with five 2c.
overprinted Italian stamps
with **Caso** and one of them
with **Cos**, (type Floral).
Vertical pair of 5c.(type Leoni)
and one 50c. (type Michetti)
overprinted with **Caso**.

For the time span of 20 days
(1.3.1913-20.3.1913) the mark
for registered mail was missing
because it had been damaged
and was sent for repair so the
registration is handwritten
(Racomandata), and the label
with n° 65 was without marking.

cds **POSTE ITALIANE CASO**
(Egeo) -6 MAR. 1913,
Same as above postmark.



7. Casos

14.06.1913 - PERIOD I.

27%



Arrival in Palermo on
23.6.1913

Domestic rate: (1905-1913)
R.D. 6.2.1913 n° 142
Letter 15c. Registration 25c.
Insurance for each 300 L.10c.
Superior force 5c.
(on view side) *Forza Maggiore*

Franked at the correct rate.
Two 10c. (type Leoni) and
one overprinted with **Caso**
40c stamps (type Michetti)
(sale price 35c.)
Total rate 55c.

Registration 2-line marking
POSTE ITALIANE / CASO (Egeo)
on insurance label **A** n° 51.

cds **POSTE ITALIANE CASSOS (EGEO) 14.6.13**, (2nd pmk type).

33%

19.01.1937 - PERIOD II.



Arrival in Milan on 1.2.1937
via Rhodes 21.2.1937.

Register special cover
(edition 1926) for
delivery of a money order.
Registration 1-line mark
with the code number of **Caso**
70/45 CASO (EGEO)
on label n° 733.

Domestic rate: 1933-1940
R.D. 20.12.1932 n° 1814
Letter 50c., registration 1,25L.

Franked with 50c and 1,25L
stamps (type Pittorica).
Correct postage.



cds **CASO* (EGEO) 19.1.37**. (3rd pmk type). Error: inverted date on the year 1937 – 1927.

8. SCARPANTO (KARPATOS)

Is the second largest island in the Dodecanese. Situated about half-way between Rhodes and Crete. The island was occupied on May 12, 1912 with the help of *battleship* "R.N. VITTORIO EMANUELE". Its total population did not exceed 11.000 by 1912.

The P.O. opened on July 1, 1912 in the main port "Pigadia", having only 500 inhabitants. Until 1943, three types of postmarks existed.

09.01.1913 - PERIOD I.



38%



Arrived in Venice on 25.1.1913

The hand written inscription "42" denoted the total weight in grams

Domestic rate

(Period 1.9.1905-28.2.1913)
Letter (20gr.) 15c. registration 25c,
for extra second weigh (22gr) 15c.

Franked at the correct rate of one 5 c., one 10 c. (type Leoni), and one 50 c. (type Michetti) overprinted **Scarpanto** Italian stamps, (Sale price for the 50 c. stamp was 40 c.).

cds **POSTE ITALIANE SCARPANTO (Egeo) 9 GEN. 1913**, (1st rubber pmk type).
2-line registration rubber marking **R: POSTE ITALIANE / SCARPANTO (Egeo)** on label n° 321.



Arrival mark on reverse in Ferrara on 14.9.1915.

Domestic rate:

(Period 1.3.1913-1915) Letter 15c.

Franked at the correct rate of a 5 and 10 c. overprinted **Scarpanto** stamps (type Leoni).

06.09.1915 - PERIOD I.



cds **POSTE ITALIANE*SCARPANTO(EGEO) -6.9.15**, (2nd pmk type).
Official marking **COMANDO TENENZA**.

8. SCARPANTO (KARPATOS)

17.10.1925 - PERIOD II.

Left part **A** of postal money order
edition 1924 which is given free by the P.O.

Postal money order of 60,30 Lire

Domestic rate: 1.5.1924 – 30.6.1940

R.D. 10.9.1923 n° 2376

For 50L until 75L = 1.20L.

for that it is franked with correct special M.O.

Italian stamps (Vaglia)

of horizontal pair of 50c & one 20c

Arrived in Naples on 14.11.25

Cds

POSTE ITALIANE*SCARPANTO (EGEO) 17.10.25

This pmk type was used also on the 2nd Period until 1943.

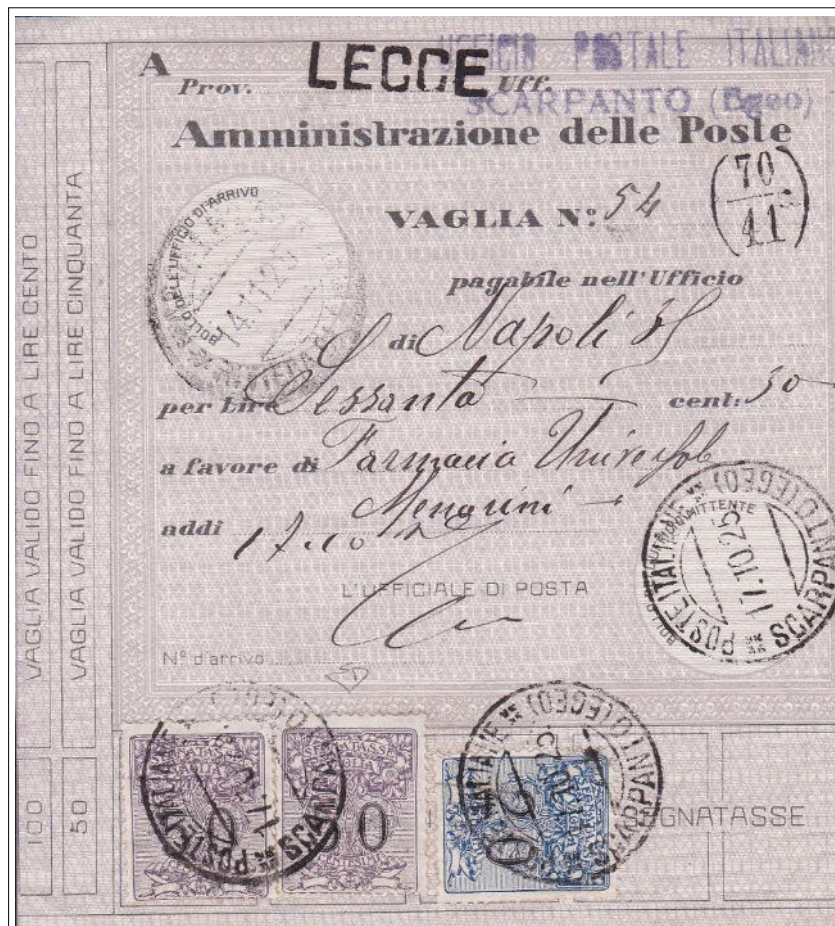
The M.O. code number of Scarpanto (70/41).

And the 2-line registration mark

UFFICIO POSTALE ITALIANO / SCARPANTO (Egeo).

The **LECCE** mark

indicates that Scarpanto main P.O. had come
under this province of Italy.



30.06.1943 - PERIOD II.



Receipt of remittance cancelled
with the same above pmk type.

27.06.1939 - PERIOD II.

35%



Right part of a postal cheque, of 125L.
with a brief note from sender who paid
for the check to be sent postage due of 15c.
franked with two stamps of 10c. and 5c. (type Pittorica).

8. SCARPANTO (KARPATOS)

18.9.1926 - PERIOD II.

30%



Register Postage free
official cover from Karpathos
cds **POSTE ITALIANE***
SCARPANTO (EGEO)
18.9.26.
Arrival on reverse in Rhodes
on 21.9.1926

Registration 2-line pmk
UFFICIO POSTALE ITALIANO/
SCARPANTO (Egeo).

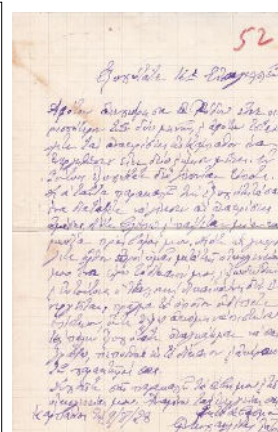
Cancelled with the official mark
GIUDICATURA CIVILE
(SCARPANTO).
(Civil Judgement).

The addressee of the letter was
the President of the Civil and
Criminal Court of Rhodes.



10.8.1928 - PERIOD II.

27%



The letter was intended for
the appeal prosecutor of
Rhodes, which was found
inside the envelope.

Indication mark T denote
Postage Due on under
franked mail.

Domestic rate: 1927-1933
R.D. 5.8.1927 n° 1416
Arrival in Rhodes on 10.8.1928
franked at the correct rate
of 50c. Italian tax stamp
Cancelled with the
Rhodian P.O. pmk
RODI*(EGEO)*10.8.28.

Cds **SCARPANTO*(EGEO)*10.8.28** (3rd pmk type)

8. SCARPANTO (KARPATHOS)

26.11.1924 - PERIOD II.

N. _____ di recapito - Rimesso al fattorino - ad ore _____

Giulia Conale

Scarparto

(Mod. 30 Teleg. 1920).

UFFICIO TELEGRAFICO
DI

INDICAZIONI DI URGENZA



Ricevuto il 26/11 1924 alle 16.4

Pel circuito N. *Scarparto* Ricevente

Le ore si contano sul meridiano corrispondente al tempo medio dell' Europa centrale, e per telegrammi interni e con vari paesi esteri di seguito da una mezzanotte all'altra.

Nei telegrammi impressi in caratteri romani il primo numero dopo il nome del luogo d'origine rappresenta quello del telegramma, il secondo quello delle parole, gli altri la data, l'ora e i minuti della presentazione.

TELEFONICA	DESTINAZIONE	PROVENIENZA	NUM.	PAROLE	DATA DELLA PRESENTAZIONE		VIA E INDICAZIONI EVENTUALI D'UFFICIO
					Giorno e mese	Ore e minuti	
	<i>Scarparto</i>	<i>Pod</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>51</i>	<i>26/11</i>	<i>12</i>	

2414 - Riferimento suo 1/84 proceda interrogatorio imputati facendosi fatto loro due fogli di giorni 12 completando istruttoria formale mettendola per iscritto quest'ufficio - R.

Nego. Procuratore Lucetti

Telegram with 31 words originated from Rhodes

Rate: (1925-1927) each word was about 40c.total paid 12,4L.

Arrival cds "**POSTE ITALIANE*SCARPANTO*(EGEO) 26.11.24**, (2nd pmk type).

2-line Telegram marking. **STAZIONE TELEGRAFICA / SCARPANTO (Egeo).**

The existence of this telegram mark is **unique** and is not mentioned in any bibliography.

27.12.1940 - PERIOD II.

TELEGRAMMA

N. 642 di recapito - Rimesso al fattorino ad ore 10

Nota è dovuto al fattorino per recapito. Il latore rimette una ricevuta a stampa quando è incaricato di una riscossione.

Cancell'eri Petrone



rispondente al tempo medio dell'Europa
vari paesi esteri di seguito da una

romani, il primo numero dopo il nome
del telegramma, il secondo quello delle
nati della presentazione.

POSTE ITALIANE		SCARFANTO (Egeo)	
ORIGINAZIONE	VIA E INDICAZIONI	Ore e minuti	EVENTUALI D'UFFICIO
1	WES	KX	CH
10	10	10	30

memori citare la data 10/12/14

Telegram with 24 words originated from Rhodes with arrival cds “**SCARPANTO*(EGEO) 27.12.40**, (3rd pmk type).

Registration 2-line marking. **POSTE ITALIANE / SCARPANTO (Egeo).** **Rate:** (1939-1942) each word was about 25c.total paid 6L.

8.1 Scarpantos Villages

Aperi, 8 miles north of Pigadia. Population: 1.100

The P.O. opened after 1930. Only one postmark existed.

05.07.1943



33%



Arrived in Athens
on 5.5.1942.

International rate:
(Period 1939-9.9.1943)
R.D. 28.2.1935 n° 185
Letter 1,25L., Air mail 1L.

Franked with a strip
of 4x50c. and one of 25c.
(type Pittorica).

cds **APERI SCARPANTO * EGEO* 14.4.42XVI**, in red.

The cover is sealed with a censor tape and cancelled with a lilac censor mark **C/5**.

Messocorio, 18 miles north of Pigadia. Population: 500

The P.O. opened after 1930.
Only one postmark existed.

03.09.1942

37%



Destination Athens

International rate:
(Period 1939-9.9.1943)
Letter 1.25 Lire.

Horizontal pair of 50c.
Italian stamps (type Imperial),
one 25c. (type Pittorica).

The cover is sealed with a censor
tape and cancelled with a lilac
censor mark **C/6** on circle.



cds **MESSOCORIO * ISOLA DI SCARPANTO (EGEO) -3.9.42.**

8.1 Scarpanto Villages

Olimbo The village seems to be an anachronic remainder of the old Dorian "independent: village-states". It is build up on the precipitous west coast of the island. Population 1100.

The P.O. opened after 1930. Only one postmark type existed.

07.08.1941



Arrival in Rhodes on 16.8.1941.

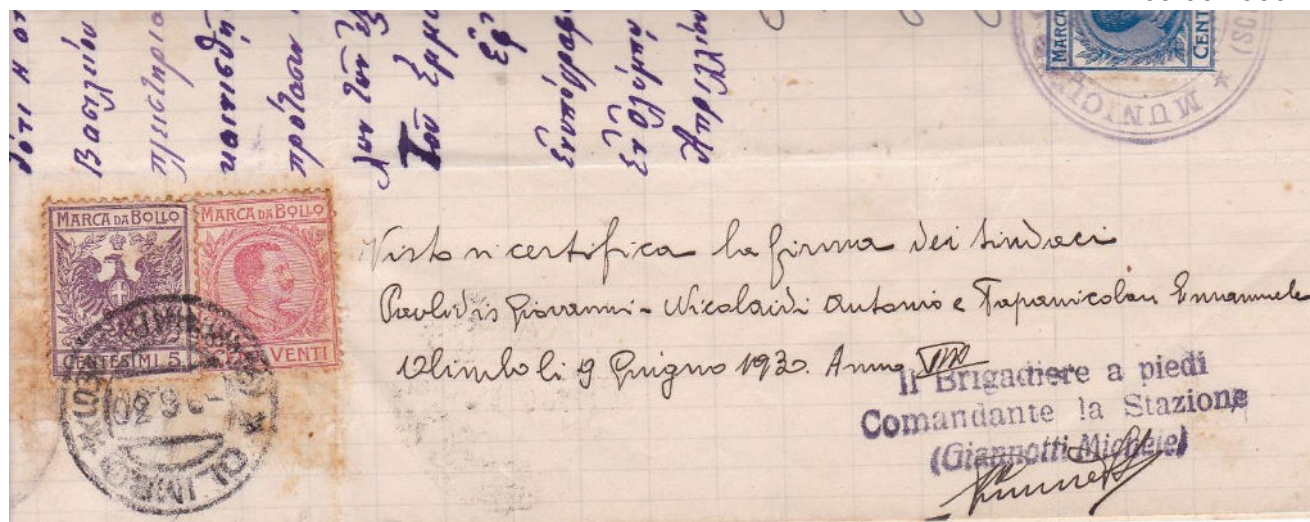
Franked with 50c. stamp (type Pittorica).

Domestic rate:
(Period 1940-9.9.1943)
within the district, Letter 50c.

Censored in Rhodes P.O.
with the 1-line mark
Verificato per censura.

cds **OLIMBO * (SCARPANTO EGEO) 7.8.41.** pmk type of Period II.

09.06.1930



Entire municipal document from **Olimpo** (09/06/1930) with revenues Metropolitan Italy stamps, Issued between 1905-1929. Cancelled unusual with the postmark stamp of the village.

Finichi, a little harbor in the south-west part of the island, 14 miles ca. west of Pigadia.

P.O. opened in the 1930s
using only one postmark type.

22.06.1937

Strip of four 25c. "Pittorica" stamps cancelled with the postmark of Period II.
cgs **FINICHI SCARPANTO * EGEO 22.6.37XV**
Probably it was for a **Domestic rate:**
(Period 1933-1940) Letter 50c, Air mail 50c.



(Up to the present not found on cover or on philatelic construction).

9. PATMOS

Is at the north-western end of the Dodecanese and acquired its fame as the place where the Apostle St. John the Evangelist wrote the Apocalypse. Population 3.000 in 1912.
The island was occupied on May 12, 1912 with the help of *cruiser-ship* "AMALFI".

The P.O. opened on July 21, 1912 in the main town, Patmos or Hora.
Until the end of 1943 four types of postmarks existed.

21.08.1912 - PERIOD I.



Arrival marks on reverse in Ismailia (Egypt) on 29.8.1912 via Rhodes 22.12.1912.

International rate:
(Period 1.10.1907-31.1.1921)
Letter 20c., Registration 20c.

Franked at the correct rate of one 10 c. stamp (Type Leoni), and a horizontal pair of 15c. (Type Michetti).

cds **POSTE ITALIANE PATMOS (Egeo) 21 AGO.1912**, (1st rubber pmk type).
and the registration 2-line rubber marking **R: POSTE ITALIANE / PATMOS (Egeo)** on label n° 73.

30%

27.12.1914 - PERIOD I.



Arrived in Roma on 4.1.1915
via Lecce 3.1.1915.

Domestic rate:
(Period 1.9.1905-1.3.1913)
Letter 15c., Registration 25c.

Franked at the correct rate of Three 5 c. stamps (type Leoni) and one 25 c. (type Michetti).



cds **POSTE ITALIANE PATMOS (Egeo) 27.12.14**, (2nd pmk type)
Registration 2-line rubber marking **R: POSTE ITALIANE / PATMOS (Egeo)** on label n° 445.

9. PATMOS

31.05.1922 - PERIOD II.

30%



Sender's wax seals
Arrival marks in
Florence on 21.6.1922
via Rhodes 13.6.1922.

Domestic rate: (1922)
Letter 40c.,
Registration 50c.,
Insurance
until 200Lire=75c.
total rate 1,65L.
(Correct rate).

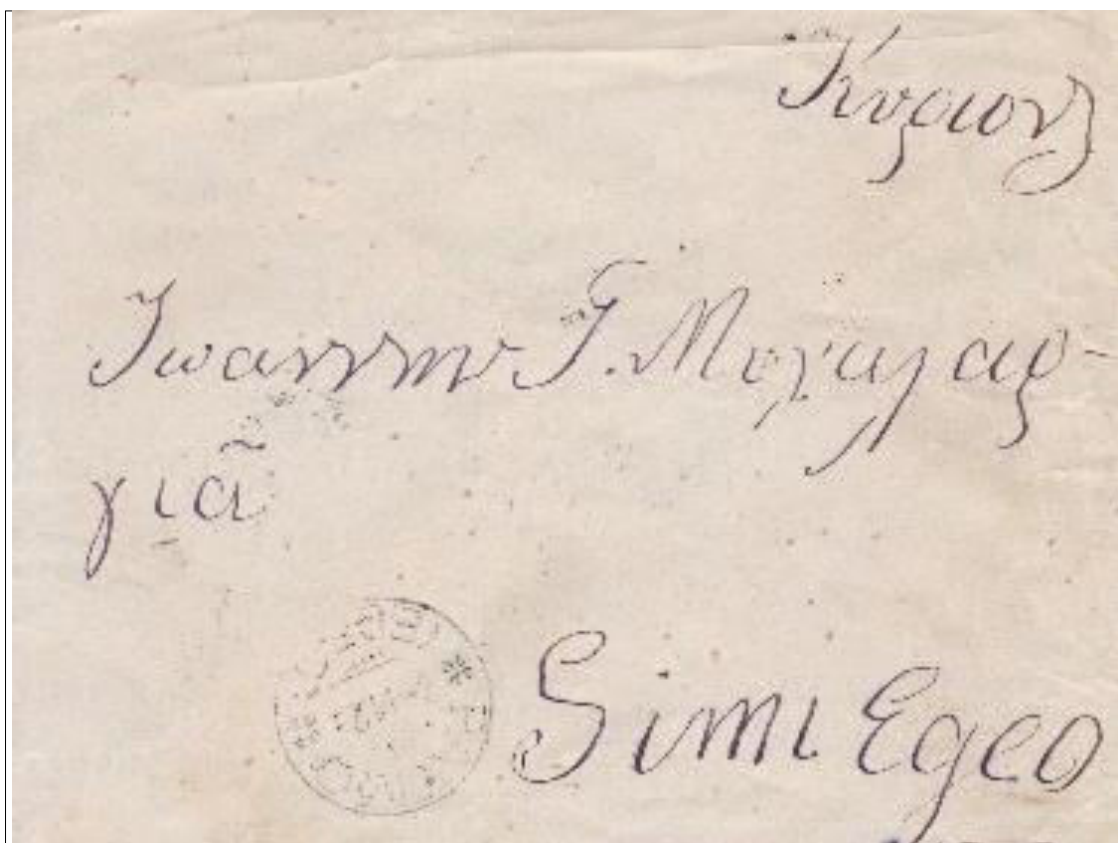
Franked with one 5c.
one 10c. (type Leoni),
a horizontal pair of 25c.
and horizontal pair of
overprinted **Rodi** 50c.
(type Michetti)
Italian stamps.

cds **POSTE ITALIANE * PATMO (EGEO) 31.5.22**, (3rd pmk type)
Registration 2-line marking **POSTE ITALIANE / PATMO (EGEO)** on insured label **A n° 399**

This pmk was from the Period I, after the 1920s (Period II) the "S" from the name PATMO(S) was omitted, so that it would resemble a name of an Italian origin.

03.11.1923 - PERIOD II.

33%



Destination to Symi

Domestic rate: (1923)
R.D. 17.12.1922 n° 1638
Letter 50c

Franked with a
five horizontal pair
of 5c. (type Leoni)
Italian stamps.
(Correct rate).

cds **PATMO * (EGEO) 3-11.23**, (4th pmk type).

10. LEROS

Is an island at the southeastern part of the Aegean in the Dodecanese, and northwest of Kalymnos. Population 7.500 in 1912. It was occupied on May 12, 1912 with the help of *cruiser-ships* "R.N.SAN MARCO" and "AMALFI".

The main town of Leros in 1912 with the name Marina and a population of about 3,800 inhabitants were located on the south part of Alinda Bay. The P.O. was the only one that opened in June 1912 closed in 1932 when the Porto-lago and Santa Marina Post Offices opened. Five postmark types existed.



PERIOD I.

Arrived in Alexandria (Egypt) on 19.07.1912.

International rate:

(1.10.1907-1.2.1921)
R.D. 10.9.1906 n° 543
Letter 25c.

Franked at the correct rate with a strip of four 5c. Italian stamps and one single (type Leoni). On arrival franked also with two Egyptian stamps of one Millie for Postage Due.

Temporary bilingual postmark without date, **MUNICIPIO * DI LEROS * POSTE * ΔΗΜΟΤΕΡ.ΛΕΡΟΥ** (Municipality of Leros, Posts/Council of Elders). The pmk was manufactured at Leros after the Italian occupation and was in use throughout the period of the operation of the P.O. by the Municipal Council from mid-May to late June, 1912.

19.08.1912 - PERIOD I.

31 %



Arrived in Port Said on 28.08.1912 via Piraeus, Alexandria at 28.08.1912.

International rate:(1907-1921)
Rome Accords of 1906
Letter 25c.

Franked with a Strip of five 5c. Italian stamps (Type Leoni).

cds
POSTE ITALIANE LEROS (Egeo) 19 AGO. 1912,
(1st rubber pmk type).



30%

03.01.1922 - PERIOD I.



Arrived in Cairo on 19.01.1922
via Piraeus 16.12.21.

There was a chronological
difference between Greece
and Italy
(Greece used the Julian
Calendar until 1923).

International rate: (1291-1922)
R.D. 27.1.1921 n° 45
Letter 60 c. Registration 60 c.

Franked with a horizontal pair
of 50c. (Type Michetti)
one 5c. and one
15c. overprinted with **Rodi**
Italian stamps (Type Leoni)
(Correct rate).



cds **POSTE ITALIANE*LEROS (EGEO) -3.1.22**, (2nd pmk type).
Registration 1-line marking **LERO** on label R n° 11.

22.10.1916 - PERIOD I.

Prov. di **LEGG** Modello 1.

N° 32

VAGLIA (1)

di Lire **1:20** e **Cent. mi Venti**

M. Sig. **G. E. Dubied**

Via **Villa Nido**

Prov. di **Como**

LEROS (EGEO) add. **22-10-1916**

L'Ufficiale di Posta **B**

(1) Ordinario o telegrafico.
(2) Bollo lineare dell'Ufficio di emissione.

COMUNICAZIONI
del mittente pel destinatario

Lire 1:20

**Suppl. in mano
raccomandato un
soprafilachio
all'indirizzo**

Segue a tergo

Complete P.O
(Money order)

Issued in LEROS
on 22.10.16. cancelled
with the postmark
of Leros and the M.O.
code number of
the island (70/44).

It is not clear why
it arrived in Patmos
on 4.11.16,
where it was stamped
also, with the military
stamp of the sender.

I believe that this M.O. has never left Patmos.

10. LEROS

03.05.1917 - PERIOD I.

Arrival mark on reverse in Rome
on 2.6.1917.

Domestic new rate: (1916-1918)

R.D. 9.11.1916 n° 1525

Letter 20c.

Franked with a 15c. overprinted Italian
stamp with "CENT 20" (new rate)
surcharged "LEROS" (Type Michetti).

cds

RR. POSTE ITALIANE*LEROS(EGEO) -3.5.17

(3rd pmk type).

Also bearing the official marking of the
"Presidio" (local military command).



25%

06.06.1925 - PERIOD II.



Arrival in Lucca (Italy)
On 13.6.1925 via Florence
(railway) 12.6.1925.
Sealed with the
Company's wax seal.

Domestic rate:

(Period 1925-1926)

R.D. 19.2.1925 n° 196

Letter 60c., registration 60c.

Franked at the correct
rate with three
Italian stamps of 60c.
(type Michetti).

Registration 2-line mark
**POSTE ITALIANE
LERO (EGEO).**
on label n° 169.



Cds **POSTE ITALIANE * LERO(S) (EGEO) -6.6.25,**

*It's the same postmark of Period I, 2nd type
but after the 1920s, the "S" from the name LERO(S) of the pmk was omitted,
so that it would resemble a name of Italian origin.*

10. LEROS

25.01.1940 - PERIOD II.

42%



Photocard of military camp of
Porto Lago (village Leros).

Destination Rhodes.

Domestic rate:

(Period 11.2.1933 -1.7.1940)

R.D. 20.12.1932 n° 1814

Postcard five words 20c.

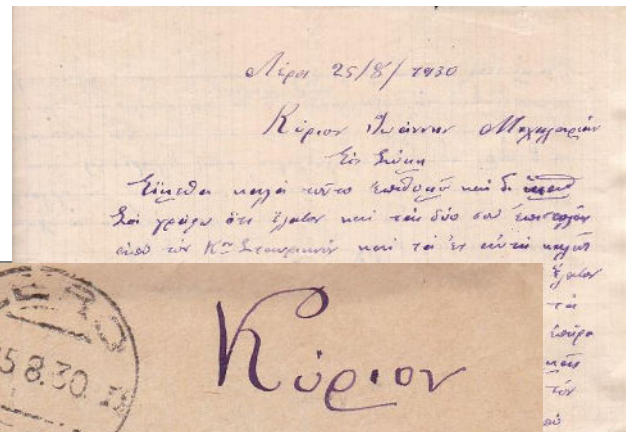
Franked with vertical pair
of 10c. stamps (type Pittorica).

Cds RR POSTE ITALIANE * LERO(S) * 25.1.40

It's the same postmark of Period I, 3rd type

but after the 1920s, the “S” from the name LERO(S) of the *pmk* was omitted, so that it would resemble a name of Italian origin.

*The letter was found
inside the folder*



32%

25.08.1930 - PERIOD II.



Arrival in Symi
(Island of Dodecanese)
on 28.8.1930.

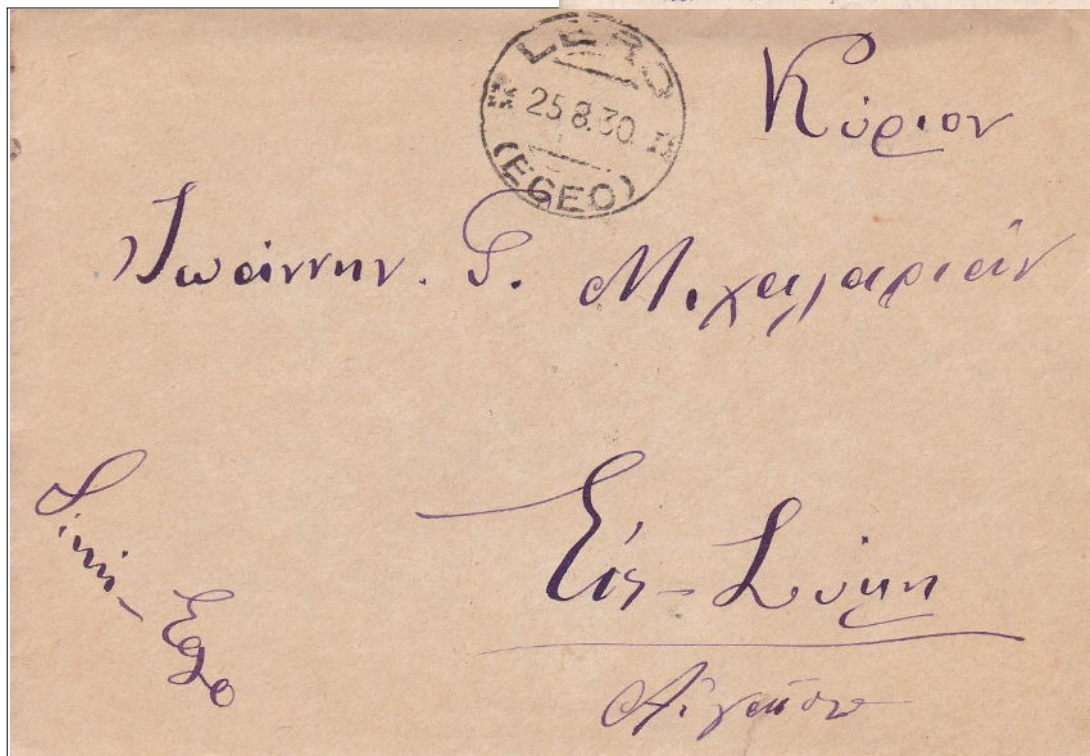
Domestic rate:

(Period 1927-1933)

R.D. 5.8.1927 n° 1416

Letter 50c.

Franked at the correct
rate with a 50c. stamp
(type Pittorica).



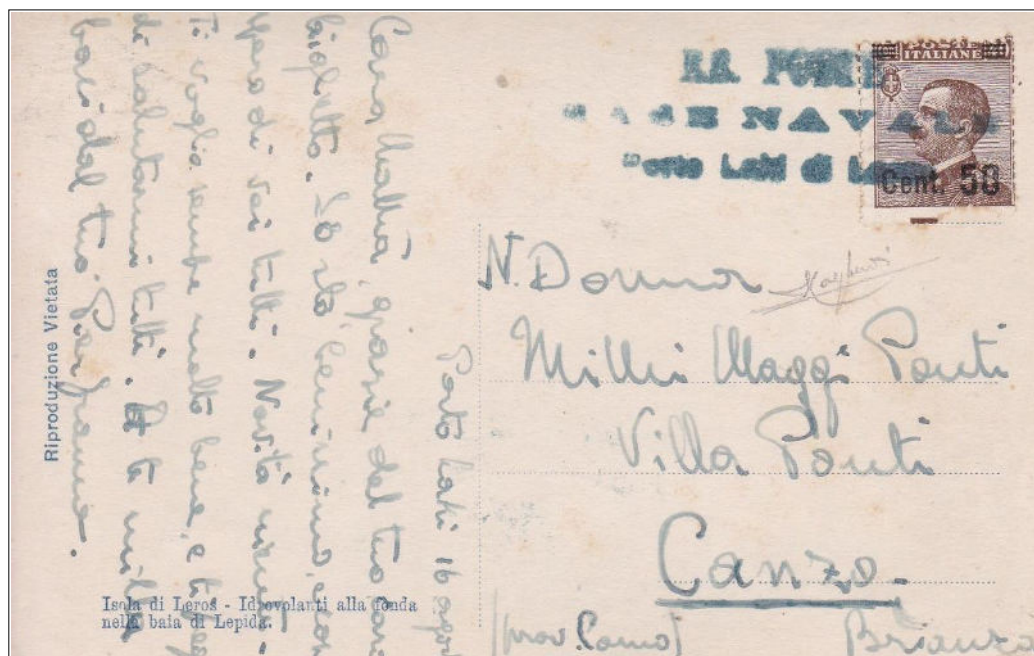
Cds **LERO** * (EGEO) * **25.8.30** (4th pmk type).

10.1 Leros Villages

Bay Lakki In the early twenties, due to the affluence of workers, technicians and employees were involved in the construction of the naval base and the **Porto Lago** village was founded.

The post office that opened during this period served military as well as civilian mail.

16.08.1924 - PERIOD II.



PPC to Canzo (Como). Cancelled with the 3- line military rubber postmark
RR. POSTE / BASE NAVALE / Porto Laki di Leros.

These postmark types existed only in Porto Lago.



37%



Naval station for seaplanes

Domestic rate: (1924)
R.D. 1.5.1924 n° 768
Postcard or Letter 50 c.,

Franked with a 40c. stamp
overprinted **Cent 50.**
new rate (type Michetti).

41 %



Destination Lucca (Italy).

Domestic rate: (1924)
Letter 50 c.

Franked with Ten 5 c.
Italian stamps (type Leoni)
correct rate.

1924 - PERIOD II.



Military pmk **BASE NAVALE DI PORTO LAGO DI LERO *RR. POSTE.** (Naval station).

10.1 Leros Villages

Porto Lago In 1932, the official civilian P.O. was founded and was supplied with a set of six Date-stamp types for Air mail, register and insured mail and for money order. These postmark types were issued only in Leros and this shows the size of the correspondence and the geostrategic position of the island.

19.02.1936 - PERIOD II.

35%



Arrived in Siena on 23.2.1936.

Domestic rate:

(Period 11.2.1933-1.7.1940),
R.D. 20.12.1932 n° 1814
Letter 50c.,
Air mail 50c.

Franked at the correct postage.
Vertical strip of 3,
50c. Italian stamps
(Type Imperial).

Cds **LERO PORTO LAGO***
(EGEO) 19.2.36XIV.
(1st pmk type)

27%

18.02.1935 - PERIOD II.



Arrived in Pola (Bologna)
on 27.2.1935 via Bologna
and via Rhodes 20.2.1935.

Domestic rate:

(11.2.1933-1.7.1940)
Letter 50c., Air mail 50c.
and Registration 1,25L.

Franked with
50c, 1,25L (type Pittorica)
plus, the 50c air post stamp.

cds **LERO PORTO LAGO**
(EGEO)*POSTA AEREA
18.2.35XIII. (2nd Air pmk type)

cds **LERO PORTO LAGO**
(EGEO)*RACCOM.
ASSICURATE 18.2.35XIII.
(3rd Registration pmk type)
This two pmk types were
issued only In Porto Lago.



Registration 2-line marking **R: LERO PORTO LAGO / (EGEO)** on label n° 2221.

10.1 Leros Villages - Porto Lago

08.08.1940 - PERIOD II.

30.06.1943 - PERIOD II.

AMMINISTRAZIONE DELLE POSTE E DEI TELEGRAFI
Servizio dei Conti Correnti Postali

Certificato di Allibramento

Versamento di Lire 10.000
eseguito da M. G. Ricci
residente in 10100
via 13/5315
sul c/c N. 13/5315
Società Anonima "Tabacchi Eggi Manifattura Italiana,,
Sede in Rodi (Egeo)

Ad di 8-8- 1934

Bollo lineare dell'ufficio accettante
LERO PORTO LAGO EGEO

Bollo e data
dell'ufficio
accettante

N. 13
del bollettario ch 9

TERZO PORTO LAGO EGEO
VAGLIA RISPAN

Deposit receipt of a remittance
Cds **LERO PORTO LAGO(EGEO)***
VAGLIA RISPARMI -8.8.40XVII. (4th pmk type) for M.O.

29

AMMINISTRAZIONE DELLE POSTE E TELEGRAFI

Ufficio di

Ricevuto dal Sig.

Gemi

L. 12 per nolo casella postale

N. 13 per il mese di *feugno*



L'Ufficiale Postale

Paradiso

Payment receipt for safety Box
cds **LERO PORTO LAGO (EGEO)*RACCOM.**
ASSICURATE 30.6.43XX. (3rd pmk type) for Registration mail.

24.12.1938 - PERIOD II.

INDICAZIONI DI URG		 di recapito - Rimesso al fattorino ad ore..... <i>990</i> <i>lo unello</i> <i>aerobork</i> <i>Agusti</i>		d. 30 Teleg. 1934) - X FICIO TELEGRAFICO DI		
Il Governo non assume alcuna responsabilità civile in conseguenza del servizio della telegrafia. Le tasse riscosse in meno per errore od in seguito a rifiuto o irreperibilità del destinatario devono essere completate dal mittente. Il destinatario è invitato a firmare la ricevuta presentata dal fattorino ed a seguervi la data e l'ora della consegna del telegramma. In mancanza di tali indicazioni, il da- rio perde il diritto a reclamare in caso di ritardo della consegna.		telegram Continuare tutti indirizzi TMx CTA				
Ricevuto il <i>193</i> ore <i>24</i> Del circuito N. <i>Ricevente</i>				Le ore si contano sul meridiano corrispondente al territorio medio dell'Europa centrale, e per telegrammi interni e per vari paesi esteri di seguito da una mezzanotte all'altra. Nei telegrammi impressi in caratteri romani, il primo numero dopo il nome del luogo d'origine rappresenta quello del telegramma, il secondo quello delle parole, gli altri la data l'ora e minuti della presentazione.		
QUALIFICA	DESTINAZIONE	PROVENIENZA	NUMERO	PAROLE	DATA DELLA PRESENTAZIONE	VIA E INDICAZIONI EVENTUALI D'UFFICIO
		<i>Godi</i>	<i>952</i>	<i>17</i>	Giorno e mese <i>24</i> Ore e minuti <i>14</i>	

Telegram with 17 words originated from Rhodes with arrival cds
LERO PORTO LAGO-TELEGRAFO*EGEO*24.12.38XVII (5th pmk type) for Telegrams.
Rate: (1939-1942) each word was about 25c.total paid 4,25L.

31.12.1943 - PERIOD III 1943-1945 (Italian- German occupation).

Service payment receipt of one person from the P.O. of the village Porto Lago cancelled with the 6th pmk type cds **LERO-PORTO LAGO *EGEO*31.12.43**, this pmk type was the last of Period II and was used also on Period III
 Franked by the P.O. of Porto Lago with a 20c. revenues stamp.

The **LECCE** mark indicates that Porto Lago main P.O. had come under this province of Italy.

MODULARIO
C. - Poste P.L. - 413

MOD. 151 (Ediz. 1941-XIX)

RICEVUTA N. *Pericli Siridaci*

Io sottoscritto *Pericli Siridaci*

dichiaro di aver ricevuto dalla Cassa della Direzione Postale e Telegrafica di *LERO-PORTO LAGO-EGEO*

la somma di lire (2) *Alfanto*

dovutami per *trasporto impiegato da*

Pericli Siridaci a Lero e ricevuta per

effettuare i versamenti imprevisti

alla delegazione governativa

PER QUIETANZA
Pericli Siridaci

AMMINISTRAZIONE
DELLE POSTE E DEI TELEGRAFI

DIREZIONE
LECCE

UFFICIO
(LERO-PORTO LAGO-EGEO)

di

(1) Cognome, nome e qualità del creditore
 (2) Somma espressa in lettere, depurata delle ritenute.
 (3) Oggetto del pagamento

Visto: Il Controllore
(dove esiste)

Visto: Il Titolare dell'Ufficio

6390520 (ord. 172) Roma, 1/4 - XIX - 1.000.000 - Istit. Poligrafico Stato P. V.

Punta Cazzuni Semaphore station of Leros. Established in the 1930s which was a fortress and a lighthouse. The Italians had strengthened it and stationed a large garrison there to guard it due to its military importance.

The station used two pmk types for cancelling the mail posted by soldiers and sometimes by civilians.

2.3.1931 - PERIOD II.



cds **R. STAZ. SEMAFORICA LEROS (EGEO)-2.3.31** (2nd pmk type).



Arrival mark on reverse in Roma on 7.3.193.

Domestic rate: 1927-1933

R.D. 5.8.1927 n° 1416

Letter 50 cent.

Franked at the correct rate of a 50c. stamp (type Pittorica).

This postmark type exists only for this station.

(One of two known the other is presented in M. Carloni bibliography).

10.1 Leros Villages

Santa Marina is the name given by the Italians to the modern residential town which gradually took shape during the 1920s and 1930s along the western and northern shores of Alinda Bay, north of the "Marina" pier of the mediaeval town of Leros.

A modern Post office attending to all categories of postal business, was opened in the first months of 1934 (or earlier) and was supplied four postmark types similar to those issued to Porto-Lago.

09.09.1934 - PERIOD II.



Domestic rate:
(Period 1933-1940)
Letter 25c
(Within the administrative district at the same island),
Registration 1.25L.

Franked with a horizontal pair and a single of 50c. stamps (type Pittorica)

cds **LERO SANTA MARINA * (EGEO) * -9.9.34XVI**, (1st pmk type) for ordinary mail
Registration 2-line marking R: POSTE ITALIANE / LERO (EGEO) on label n° 2965.

30%



Arrived in Milan on 17.11.1937
via Rhodes 10.11.1937.

Domestic rate:
(Period 1933-1940)
Letter 50 c., Registration
1.25 L. Air mail 50 c.
and for the (first 100g)
second weight 35c.

Franked with
50c., 80c., 1L. air stamps
and one 30c. (type Pittorica).

08.11.1937 - PERIOD II.



cds **"POSTA AEREA LERO SANTA MARINA * (EGEO) -8.11.37XVI**,
(2nd pmk type) for Air mail.
Registration 2-line marking R: POSTE ITALIANE / LERO (EGEO) on label with n° 2879.

17.6.1943 - PERIOD II.

Prov. **LECCE** **UFF. LERO**

AMMINISTRAZIONE DELLE POSTE

VAGLIA N° 18

(in cifre) **DI L. 180**

Cent.10

(in lettere) **L. Centottanta** cent.

pagabile nell'Ufficio di **Rodi**

(Prov. di **Egeo**)

a favore del Sig. **Ufficio Anagrafe e Statistica**

Via **Li** **19 A. EF.**

L'UFFICIALE DI POSTA

ISTITUTO POLIGRAFICO DELLO STATO

IL PRESENTE VAGLIA NON HA VALORE SE NON È STATA EMESSA DALL'UFFICIO POSTALE LA CORRISPONDENTE CEDOLA DI CONVALIDAZIONE.

Arrival pmk on reverse in Rhodes on 18.06.1943

Middle part Postal M.O. for 180L. with the letter **B** in the upper right was left at the P.O. where the check was paid.

Domestic rate: 1940-1944 R.D. 23.05.1940 n° 759 Printed matter 10c. and for (100L. until 200L. = 2L.) Total rate 2,10L.

Cancelled with the code number of Leros **70/44**.

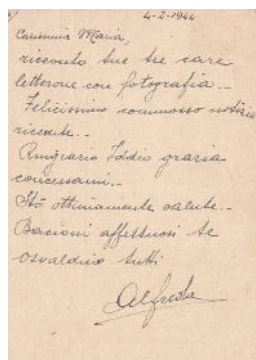
Cds **VAGLIA*RISPARMI*LERO SANTA MARINA*(EGEO)*17.6.43** (4th pmk type) for M.O. existed after 1940.

LECCE mark indicates that Leros main P.O. had come under this province of Italy.

Unique up to the present.

31%

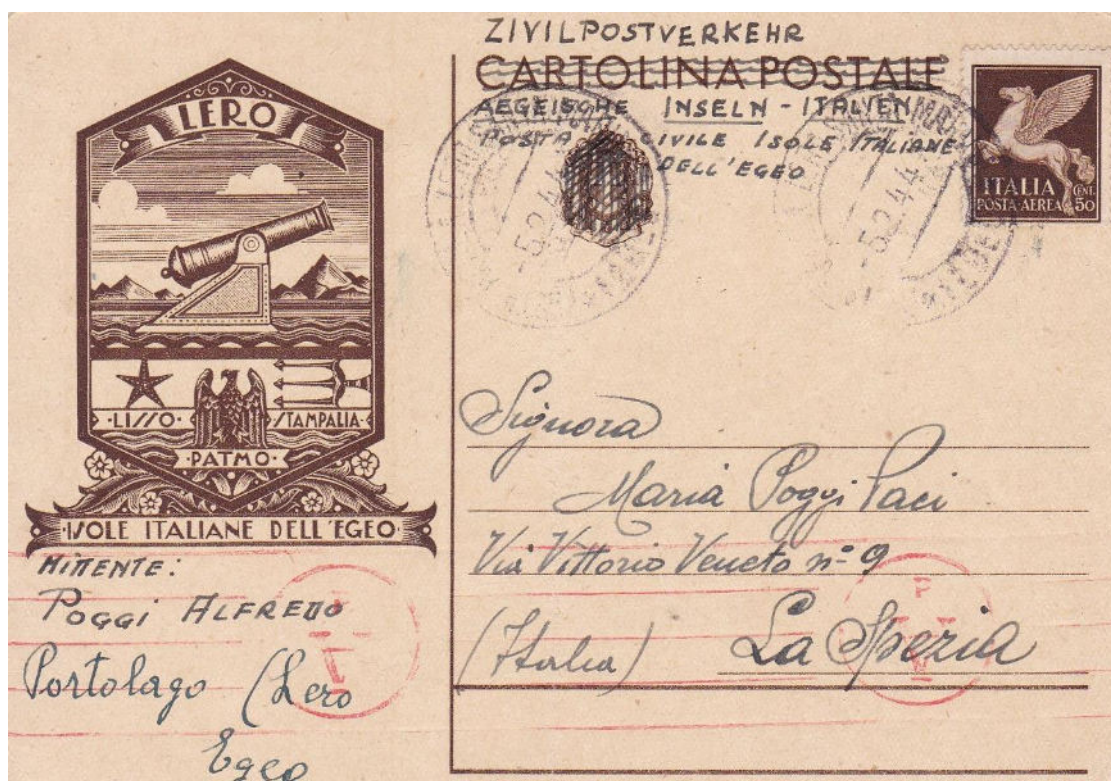
5.2.1944 - PERIOD III 1943-1945 (Italian- German)



Censored by Germans Italian PS card (type 3). The Italian coat of arms and the word **CARTOLINA POSTALE** (Postal card) were erased and handwritten in German **ZIVIL POSTVERKEHR** (Civil Postal Service).

Domestic rate: 1940-1944 R.D. 23.05.1940 n° 759 Card postal 30c. Air mail 50c.

Italian air stamp of 50c. over franked on the printed Italian stamp of 30c. Correct total rate 80c.



cds **"POSTA AEREA LERO SANTA MARINA * (EGEO) -5.2.44**

Is the 2nd pmk of Italian Period II without the fascist chronology were used also after the Armistice between Italy and the Allies in 1943 until 1945.

10.2 Leros Airport

As no civilian P.O. had yet been opened, the area of Levitha southern by Porto Lago was selected at the end of the 1920s for building Leros airport named '**R. AEROPORTO GIOVANNI ROSSINI**'. Many Italian workers and technicians moved there. The Command of the airport took care of forwarding their mail, cancelling the postage stamps on the letters with an oval franchise postmark. This unusual procedure continued for some years and even after 1932 when the Porto Lago P.O. opened.

25.06.1931



Arrived in Naples
on 30.6.1931.

Domestic rate:
(Period 16.8.1927-11.2.1933)
R.D. 20.12.1932 n° 1814
PPC only signature
and date, 10c.

Franked with a 10c. stamp
(type Pittorica). Correct rate.

Canceled with the oval 3-line violet marking of the Airport (type A)
REGIE POSTALE COMANDO AEROPORTO / DI / LERO (EGEO).
cds **POSTE ITALIANE*LERO (EGEO) 25.6.31**, ordinary pmk type of Period II.
And the official mark in violet **AEROPORTO DI LERO (EGEO)*COMANDO.**

06.12.1930

Domestic rate:
(Period 1927-1931):
Letter 50c.

Franked with the 50c,
postage due
Italian stamp.

*The addressee paid 50c.
for the postage due
on arrival (14/12/1930)..*

Cover from Leros
to Sassari (Sardinia)
arrival
cds **SASSARI*CENTRO**
14.12.30.



canceled with oval airport official marking (type B) **RR. POSTE / R. AEROPORTO / LERO.**

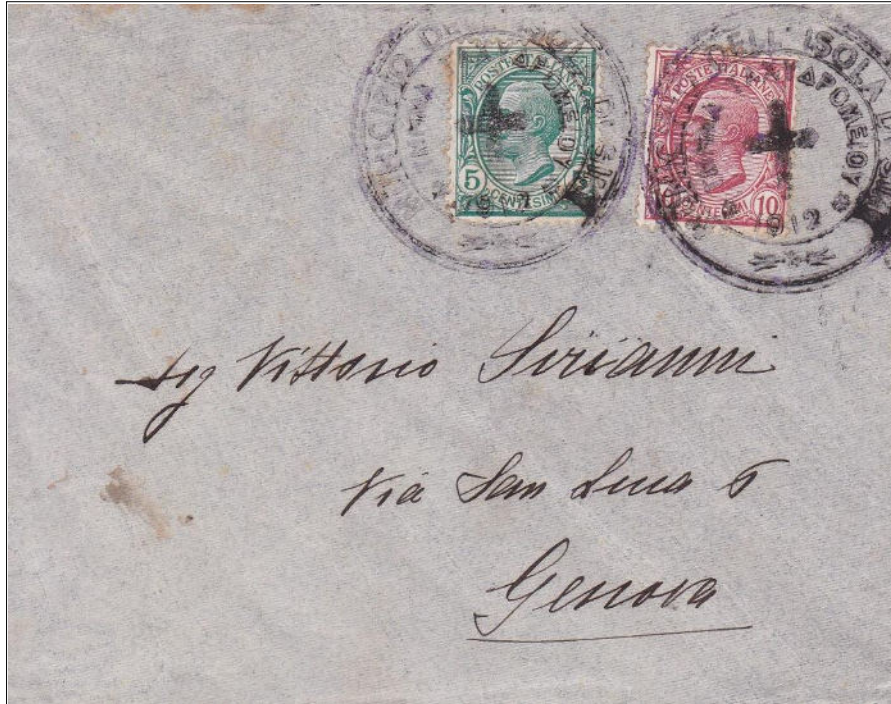
11. SYMI

25 miles north of Rhodes and 4 miles from Asia Minor. Its population still exceeded 23,000 in 1912 and its inhabitants derived a significant income from the Sea. Symi was occupied on May 19, 1912 with the help of the torpedo ship "PEGASO".

During the first weeks of occupation, the postal service on Symi was operated by the municipal authorities. The P.O. opened on June 9, 1912. Five postmark types existed.



01.06.1912 - PERIOD I.



On reverse the transfer to Genoa on 6.6.1912 was made by the 6th Division of Rhodes cancelled with the military marking cds **POSTA MILITARE*6^a DIVISIONE 1.GIU.12.**

Civilian Postal service was forwarded by the military P.O. until June 7, 1912, but this letter was one of the last because the next day the civilian P.O. opened.

Domestic rate: (1905-1913) Letter 15c.
R.D. 6.10.1905 n° 519

Franked at the correct rate with a 5c. and a 10c. Italian stamps (type Leoni).

Cancelled with the bilingual **Temporary** municipal postmark on black **MUNICIPIO DELL' ISOLA DI SIMI – TMHMA TAXYΔPOMEIOY*1912.** Used only for **20 days** (19th May - 9th June). **Unique** up to the present.



06.09.1912 - PERIOD I.

Arrival mark on reverse in Milan on 29.9.1912.

Domestic rate:
(Period 1905-1913)
R.D. 6.10.1905 n° 519
Letter 15c.
Registration 25c.

Franked at the correct rate with a 40 c. Italian stamp (type Michetti)

Registration 2-line rubber marking
R: **POSTE ITALIANE / SIMI (Egeo)**
on label n° 275.



cds **POSTE ITALIANE SIMI (Egeo) 6.SET.1912**, (1st pmk type) rubber.

11. SYMI

27%

29.04.1913 - PERIOD I.



Arrival in Malta on
12.5.1913
via Syracuse.

Domestic rate:
(Period 1913-1915)
R.D. 6.2.1913 n° 142

Letter 15c.,
Registration 25c.

Franked with a
5c (type Leoni) and a
40c. (sale price 35c.)
overprinted **Simi**
stamp (type Michetti).

Registration 2-line
rubber marking
R: POSTE ITALIANE /
SIMI (Egeo) on label n° 33.



cds **POSTE ITALIANE*SYMI (EGEO) 29.4.13**, (2nd pmk type).

08.03.1926 - PERIOD II.

32%



cds **POSTE ITALIANE*SYMI (EGEO) -8.3.26**.
Registration 1-line marking **SYMI (EGEO)** on label n° 171 (2nd type).

The same pmk as above o was used also in Period II.



Vignette of the company
M. Calafatas.

Arrival in Berlin on 22.3.1926
Via Rhodes on 12.3.1926
Brindisi on 19.3.1926 and
Trento on 20.3.1926.

International rate:(1926-1935)
R.D. 15.10.1925 n° 1973
Letter 1,25L, registration 1,25L.
65c. special rate for
some countries like Germany
based on Royal Decree

Franked at the correct postage
With a 5c. and 10c.
Stamps (type Leoni) and
1L plus 2L (type Floreale).

11. SYMI

17.09.1930 - PERIOD II.

N. 234 di recapito - Rimesso al fattorino - ad ore

Michalonia

(Mod. 30 Teleg.)

UFFICIO TELEGRAFICO
di
Symigianni

essere completate dal mittente.
ora della consegna del telegram-

indicazioni, il destinatario perde il diritto a reclamare in caso di ritardo nella consegna.

19 ore
Ricevente *Ch*

ONE

PROVENIENZA	NUM.	PAROLE	DATA DELLA PRESENTAZIONE		VIA E INDICAZIONI EVENTUALI D'UFFICIO
<i>Castellorosso</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>29</i>	Giorno e mese <i>17</i>	Ore e minuti <i>10.30</i>	

Telegram with 29 words originated from Castelrosso (Castellorizo) a small island of Dodecanese
with arrival cds **SIMI (EGEO) - (70-36) 17.9.30.**

This is the 3rd postmark type with the code number existed only in Symi in 1920s.

Registration 1-line marking **SYMI (EGEO)**

Rate: (Period 1930-1942) each word was about 35c. total paid 10,1 L.

14.05.1928 - PERIOD II.

24%

- Rimesso al fatto

m. Jour

SIMI
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Unusual for a telegram to be stamped
with two postmark types.

Telegram with 13 words originated also from Castelrosso (Castellorizo)
with arrival cds **UFFICIO POSTALE TELEGRAFICO*SIMI*14.5.28** (4th pmk type) for telegrams
and cds **SIMI (EGEO) 14.5.28** (5th pmk type).

Registration 1-line marking **SYMI (EGEO)**

Rate: (Period 1920-1929) each word was about 40c. total paid 5,2 L.

11. SYMI

33%

05.09.1940 - PERIOD II.



Arrival mark on reverse
in Milan on 20.9.1940.

Domestic rate:

(Period 1940-1.10.1944)
R.D. 23.5.1940 n° 759
Letter 50c., Air mail 50c.

Franked at the correct postage
with a horizontal pair of 50c.
stamps (type Pittorica)

The air mail label is
bilingual (French and Italian).



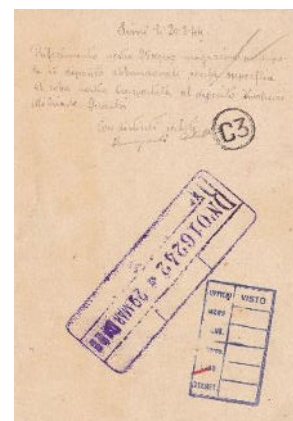
cds **SIMI * (EGEO) -5.9.40**, (5th pmk type).

23.02.1944 - PERIOD III. (Italian- German).

38%



Cancelled with the negative cds **SIMI - EGEO 23.2.1944**

**Domestic rate: (1940-1944)**

R.D. 23.5.1940 n° 759 &
D.M. 28.4.1940 n° 759
Postcards 30c

Italian PS Card
printed stamp of 30c.
correct rate.

The card was censored
on arrival in Rhodes
on 29.2.1944
by the German military P.O.

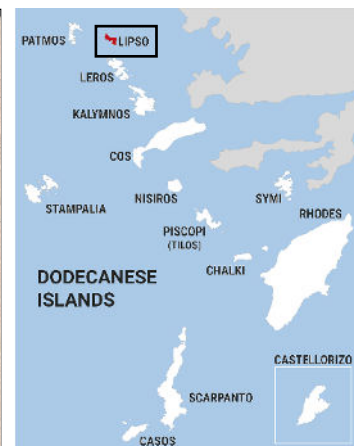
After the bombardment of the P. O. on 12.10.1943 all previous postmarks were lost
so a negative postmark was made urgently in Rhodes.
The postmark was used after the Armistice between Italy and the Allies in 1943.
(One of two known the other is presented in S.D. Tchliinghirian bibliography part six).

12. LIPSOS

Is 7 miles north of Leros, and at about the same distance east of Patmos. Population: 560 in 1912.
The island was occupied on May 12, 1912 with the help of *destroyer ship* "NEMBO".

The P.O. opened on July 21, 1912. In the main town Lipsi. Three postmark types existed until 1943.

02.11.1912 - PERIOD I.



Arrival mark on reverse in Milan on 19.11.191

Domestic rate:
(Period 1.9.1905-1.3.1913)
Letter 15c. Registration 25c.

Franked with a 1c.
Horizontal pair of 2c.
Italian stamps (type floreal),
one 5c. vertical pair and a
single of 10c, (type Leoni).
(Correct rate)

cds **POSTE ITALIANE LIPSO (Egeo) 2-NOV.1912**, (1st rubber pmk type).
Registration 2-line rubber marking **R: POSTE ITALIANE / LIPSO (Egeo)** on label n° 55.

38%



Arrival in Constantinople
by the Italian P.O.
Cds **COSTANTINOPOLI 1 ***
POSTE ITALIANE * 28.4.13.15.

International rate: (1907-1921)
Rome Accords of 1906
Letter 25c.

Franked with the correct postage
of 25c. Italian stamp (type Michetti)
overprinted **Lipso**.

15.04.1913 - PERIOD I.



cds **POSTE ITALIANE * LIPSO (EGEO) * 15.4.13** Period I (2nd pmk type).

12. LIPSOS

05.03.1941 - PERIOD II.

29%



Sealed with a part of censor tape.
Arrived in Milano on 13.03.1941
via Rhodes 08.03.1941.

Domestic rate: (1940-1944)
R.D. 23.5.1940 n° 759
Postal Card 30c.,
Registration 60c.
(Open correspondence).

Italian PS card franked
with a printed stamp of 30c.
and a vertical pair of 30c. stamps
(type Pittorica). Correct postage.

cds **LISSO * (EGEO) * -5.3.41**,
(3rd pmk type)
Registration 1-line marking
R: LISO (EGEO) on label n° 1647 (e).

01.06.1943 - PERIOD II.

REGIA MARINA								Numero di catalogo 105	
TELEGRAMMA DI STATO A PAGAMENTO - (Ufficiale)									
Ufficio Telegrafico di <u>Lipsi</u>									
(Veggansi le "Avvertenze", stampate a tergo)									
d'argenza	Spedito il <u>19</u> Ore <u>19</u> sul circuito <u>all'Ufficio di</u>		Trasmittente:		Circuito sul quale per essere indicato il telegramma				
Destinazione	Provenienza	Numero	Parole	Data di presentazione	Indicazioni eventuali d'Ufficio:				
<u>Rodi</u>	<u>Lisso</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>1-6</u>					
<u>Dogana</u>	<u>Riservazioni</u>	<u>mele</u>	<u>di</u>	<u>maggi</u>					
<u>147</u>	<u>lisse</u>	<u>114.90</u>	<u>ore</u>	<u>36.5</u>					
<u>Completare</u>	<u>17</u>								
<u>Perdonandoci</u>									

Amministr. Ricevuto per un telegramma di parole 17

Poste per Rodi

e Telegrafi con Dogana

27 Ore 8 L. 36.5

Si prega conservare la presente pel caso di ricerche.

The payment receipt of this telegram with the 17 words, time,
Date 1.6.43 cancelled with the same pmk, total paid 36,5L.

The operation of a telegraph office in Lipsi is unknown so this telegram is unique known up to the present mailed item.
cds **UFFICIO TELEGRAFICO LISSO*EGEO 1-6.43XI** Telegram pmk type
(this pmk type was issued only by the P.O. of Rhodes Town).

Rate: (Period 1939-1943) each word was 2,14L. total paid 17x2,14=36,5L.

cancelled with the official mark of the customs office of Lipsi **R.DOGANA DI LISSO 1GIU 43VV (EGEO)**.

13. COS

One of the largest islands of Dodecanese, lies between Calymnos (8 miles to the north) and Nisiros (13 miles to the south). Population: 16.000 in 1912 and the main port, was also named Cos.

The island was the birthplace of Hippocrates, the greatest physician of ancient Greece.

Cos was the last occupied island on May 20, 1912 with the help of battle-ship "R.N. NAPOLI".

A 34th Infantry Regiment Lieutenant was appointed to handle the postal service which began operating immediately. Thus, unlike other smaller islands, an Italian P.O. office began to function in Cos immediately after the occupation, without an interim municipal postal service. A civilian Postmaster took charge of the P.O. on June 10, 1912. Until 1943 nine postmark types existed.

12.06.1912 - PERIOD I.

35%



cds POSTE ITALIANE KOS (Egeo) 12 GIU. 1912, rubber pmk (1st type).



Arrived in Smyrna
on 22.06.1912
by the Austrian P.O.

International rate:

(Period 1907 – 1921)
R.D. 10.9.1906 n° 543
Letter 25c.,
Registration 25c.

Franked at the correct
Rate with a horizontal pair
of 25 c. Italian stamps
(Type Michetti). Back side.

Registration 2-line
rubber marking (1st type)
R: POSTE ITALIANE
KOS (Egeo) on label n°9.



33%

Arrived in Naples cancelled
with a register pmk on 3.4.1913.

Domestic rate: (period 1913-1915)
Letter 15c., Registration 25c.
Express 25c. (In the beginning
ordinary stamps were used).

Franked at the correct rate
with a 5c. (type Leoni),
25c. and 50c. overprinted **Cos**
stamps (type Michetti)
(Sale price respectively 20 and 40c.)

Registration 1-line marking **R. N° 373**.
The letter was sent as an express.
cds **KOS*(EGEO) 28.3.13**,
(2nd pmk type).

28.03.1913 - PERIOD I.



13. COS



Postal Money Order of 771,80 Lire.
Arrived in Milan on 12.1.1926

Domestic rate:

(Period 1.5.1924 – 30.6.1940)

R.D. 10.9.1923 n° 2376

For 200L was 2L and each 100L 50c.)

So it is franked with special M.O.

Italian stamps (Vaglia) of 2L + 3L.

Cds **KOS*29.12.25*(EGEO)**,

Pmk. Type of Period I

and the code number of Cos (**70/37**).

The **LECCE** mark indicates that
Cos main P.O. had
come under this province of Italy.

29.12.1925 - PERIOD II.

15.08.1919 - PERIOD I.



Destination Torino

Domestic rate:

(Period 1919-1920)

R.D. 26.1.1919 n° 68

Letter 25c.

Franked with 25c. Italian stamp
(type Michetti).
Correct rate.

Cancelled with the official
Tax mark

R. GUARDIA DI FINAANZA*
Comando di Brigata.

Cos is the only island capital
that was used this pmk type
which started with **R.R. POSTE** ...,
as usual was issued only for
the villages of Dodecanese.

Cds **R.R. POSTE ITALIANE *KOS (EGEO) 15.8.19** (3rd pmk type).

13. COS

39%

29.10.1921 - PERIOD I.



Arrival in Seattle Washington
U.S. on 26.11.1921
via Chicago 22.11.1921.

International rate:
(Period 1921-1922)
R.D. 27.1.1921 n° 45
Letter 60c., Registration 60c.

Franked at the correct rate
with a 20c. (type Michetti)
and a 1L. (type Floreale)
Italian stamps.



cds **R.POSTE ITALIANE KOS (EGEO) 29.10.21**, (4th pmk type)

This pmk existed only in Cos with single "R" referred to "Regia" (Royal) in singular which was mistaken since "Poste" refers to plural whereas "RR" refers to "Regie" (plural).

Registration 2-line marking (second type) **R: POSTE ITALIANE / KOS (EGEO)** on label n° 87.

18.07.1927 - PERIOD II.

30%



Arrived in Genova
on 29.7.1927 via Roma.

*The envelope bears the seal of the national fascist party of Kos **PARTITO NASIONALE FASCISTA FASCIO DI COO** on the back side and was sent by a highly confidential person.*

Domestic rate:
(Period 21.6.1927-10.2.1933)
Letter 60c, Registration 1.25L
and Express mail 1.25L.

Franked with one 1,²⁵ L. Italian
express stamp, one 1,²⁵ L.
(Type Floreale) and
one 60 c. (Type Michetti).

cds **COO*UFFICIO POSTALE TELEGRAFICO 18.7.27**, (5th telegram pmk type).
(cancelled also ordinary mails) and register 1-line marking (3rd type) **R: COO** on label n° 107.

27.09.1935 - PERIOD II.

CAZZIONI DI U.

Te
Av
Telegr.

UFFICIO TELEGRAFICO
DI

27.9.35

Governo non assume alcuna responsabilità civile in conseguenza del servizio della telegrafia.
Le tasse riscosse in meno per errore od in seguito a rifiuto o irreperibilità del destinatario devono essere completate dal mittente.
Il destinatario è invitato a firmare la ricevuta presentata dal fattorino ed a segnare la data e l'ora della consegna del telegramma. In mancanza di tali indicazioni, il destinatario perde il diritto a reclamare in caso di ritardo della consegna.

Le ore si contano sul meridiano corrispondente al tempo medio dell'Europa centrale, e per telegrammi interni e con vari paesi esteri di seguito da una mezzanotte all'altra.
Nel telegrammi impressi in caratteri romani, il primo numero dopo il nome del luogo d'origine rappresenta quello del telegramma, il secondo quello delle parole, gli altri la data, l'ora e minuti della presentazione.

27 9 1935 ore 16
Ricevente

CA	DESTINAZIONE	PROVENIENZA	NUM.	PAROLE	DATA DELLA PRESENTAZIONE		VIA E INDICAZIONI EVENTUALI D'UFFICIO
					Giorno e mese	Ore e minuti	
	COO (EGEO)	Rod	964	8	27.9	16	

Telegram with 8 words originated from Rhodes with arrival
cds **COO*UFFICIO POSTALE TELEGRAFICO 27.9.35**, telegram pmk
and registration 1-line marking **COO (EGEO)**
Rate: (Period 1933-1940) each word was about 50c. total paid 4L.



35%

09.01.1939 - PERIOD II.

Arrival in Milano
on 13.1.1936.

Franked with a 1,²⁵ L.
(Type Pittorica) and
a 50 c. Italian stamp
(Type Imperiale).

Domestic rate:
(1933 -1940)
Letter 50c,
Registration 1,25L.

Registration 1-line
marking (4th type)
R: COO (EGEO)
on label n° 3231.

Cover was sent by
Royal Customs of Cos
R.DOGANA di COO (Egeo).



cds **COO * (EGEO) -9.1.36XVI**, (6th pmk type).

13.1 Cos Villages

Antimachia (Antimakia), 15 miles west of Cos-Town in the center of the island. Population 1.800 in 1912

The P.O. opened on March 7, 1914 and was operated by the commander of the local Carabinieri station.
Two postmark types existed until 1943.

30.05.1915 - PERIOD I.



cds RR. POSTE ITALIANE *ANTIMAKIA (KOS EGEO) 30.5.15. (1st pmk type).
Registration 2-line marking R: ANTIMAKIA / ISOLA DI COS on label n° 301



31%

Arrived in USA (Philadelphia)
on 11.06.1915
via Rhodes 03.06.1915.

The cover is sealed with
censorship tape and a
manuscript n° 5 of the censors.

International rate:
(Period 1.10.1907-1921):
Letter 25 c., Registration 25 c.
Franked at the correct rate
of two 25c. overprinted
with **Cos** Italian stamps.



Cardamena, little port on the southern coast, 3^{1/2} miles south of Antimachia.
Population: 1.300 in 1912

The postal station opened in 1914 and was run by Guardia di Finanza (tax office).
Only one postmark existed after 1930.

14.01.1943 - PERIOD II.



Entire postage free
municipal document
from Cardamena
to Rhodes

Cancelled also with
the official mark
**MUNICIPIO DI
CARDAMENA (Coo).**

cds CARDAMENA*(EGEO) 14.1.43XVII.

13.1 COS Villages

Pili, an important up-hill village in the center of the island, 9 miles west of Cos-Town. Population 1900

P.O. opened in the 1930s and only one postmark type existed.

12.10.1934 - PERIOD II.

PPC to Hamburg (Germany).

International rate:

(Period 1.1.1926-31.3.1935)

Post Card 75 cent.

Franked with the 5 c., 20 c.,
and 50 c. stamps (type Pittorica).
Correct rate.

Cds

PILI – COO * (EGEO) 12.10.34 XI.

Unique

known up to the present posted item.



Cefalo, 10 miles west of Antimachia.
Population: 1.400 in 1912

*The station operated from 1914 until 1945 and was run
by the Carabinieri using only one type of postmark after 1930.*

26.07.1942 - PERIOD II.



cds **COO*(EGEO) 26.7.42**, pmk type of Period II.



50 cent "Pittorica" stamp
Cancelled with a part of the
cds **CEFALO-COO * (EGEO)**.

Correct **Domestic rate:**
(Period 1933-1940) Letter 50c.

Entire postage free municipal document
from Cefalo to Rhodes at 30.7.1942
cancelled with the official marking
MUNICIPIO DI CEFALO * COO-EGEO.

Masticari, on the north coast of the island, 7 miles N.E. of Cefalos. Population: 600 in 1912

The P.O. opened after 1914.

*It used only one postmark stamp
which was in existence during the 1930s.*

Horizontal pair of 25c. stamps (type Pittorica).

Correct **Domestic rate:** (Period 1933-1940) Letter 50c.

Part of the cds **MASTICARI COO*EGEO 14.10.40XX**.



14. CASTELLORIZO

A very small island, situated 2 miles off the coast of Asia Minor, some 70 miles off Rhodes. Despite its tiny size, this islet had a population of ca. 11.000 by 1900, nearly all residing in the only town, Megisti. Castellorizo was awarded to Italy at the Treaty of Sevres (10 August, 1920) and its formal transfer from French to Italian rule took place on March 1, 1921.

The local postal establishment became an Italian P.O. as from that day. Five types of postmarks existed.

15.03.1921 - PERIOD I.

28%



Arrival marks on reverse in Paris at 29.4.1921 via Torino 27.4.1921 and via Rhodes 9.4.1921.

International rate:
(Period 1921-1922)
R.D. 25.1.1921 n° 44
Letter 60., Registration 60c.

Franked with a two 2c. (type Floreal), 5c. and 10c. (type Leoni), 15c., 20c., 25c., 50c. (t. Michetti) overprinted **Rodi** temporary stamps until the sets of stamps for Castellorizo were issued.

Cancelled with the **Emergency Temporary** postmark without date **CASTELLORIZO *POSTALE ITALIANE** which was constructed for the opening of the P.O. Its use lasted for a few weeks (until May 1, 1921) since Rome delayed providing the office with postmarks. It looks like philatelic production but the letter is posted with the correct international rate.

The registration label is without marking because it had not yet been supplied.

(The inhabitants were excited and franked the letters with stamps of Rhodes. The temporary postmark is more common than its short life would suggest, although very scarce on legitimate commercial letters). (e).

34%

2(?) .07.1922 - PERIOD I.



PPC from Castellorizo to Milan

Domestic rate

(Period 1921-1922):

R.D. 27.1.1921 n° 45

Cart postal 5c. only address.

Franked with the 5c. overprinted **CASTELROSSO** Stamp (type Leoni).



cds **POSTE ITALIANE*CASTELLORIZZO (ISOLA) 27.7.22**, (1st pmk type).

14. CASTELLORIZO

28.07.1927- PERIOD II.

30 %



Arrived in Peio (Trento) Italy
on 5.8.1927
via Rhodes 29.7.1927.

Domestic rate:

(Period 21.6.1927-11.2.1933)
R.D. 12.5.1927 n° 837
Letter 60c.,
Registration 1.25 L.

Franked with a block of six
Italian stamps (type Michetti)
overprinted with a
new rate **Cent 7^{1/2}** on 85c.,
two of 30c (type St. Francis),
one of 20c (Alessandro Volta)
one of 60c (Vittorio Emanuele)
(Correct rate total 1.85 L.)

Registration 2-line marking
R: CASTELROSSO / EGEO
on label n° 89.



cds **POSTE ITALIANE CASTELROSSO *EGEO 28.7.27**, (2nd pmk type)
This type of postmark exists only in Castellorizo.

03.02.1932 - PERIOD II.



cds **CASTELROSSO (EGEO) * POSTA AEREA -3.2.32**. (3rd pmk type).
The P.O. was supplemented with air mail pmk.



Arrival mark on reverse
in Lastra a Signa (Florence)
on 12.2.1932.

Domestic rate:

(Period 16.8.1927-1933)
Letter 50c., Air mail 50c.

Horizontal pair of 25c.
(type Pittorica) and
one 50c. air mail
(Type Leoni) stamps.
Correct rate 1L

14. CASTELLORIZO

42%

19.06.1937 - PERIOD II.



Post card from Castellorizo
 Franked with horizontal pair of
 20c. Stamps (type Pittorica).

Arrival in Paris on 26.06.1937

*The pharmaceutical companies
 sent out advertising forms with
 a reply card so that any doctor
 who wanted to would ask for a sample.*

International rate: (31.3.1935 -1939)
 Post cards 25c.



cds CASTELROSSO*(EGEO)*19.6.37. (4th pmk type)

12.06.1941 - PERIOD II.

25%



Cds CASTELROSSO * EGEO*12.6.41-XIX (5th pmk type).



Arrival in Rhodes
 On 17.6.1941
 Town hall 18.6.1941.

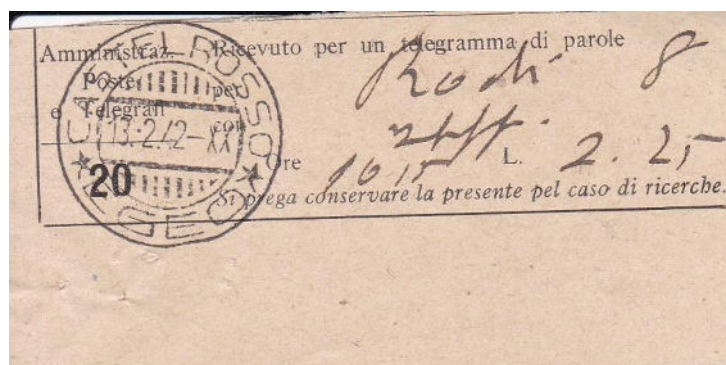
Domestic rate:
 (Period 1940-1943)
 Municipal doc. 10c.

Franked with 10c
 stamp (type Pittorica).

13.02.1942 - PERIOD II.

Telegram payment receipt of 8 words paid 2,25 L.

*Cancelled with the above pmk type
 which was the last one of the
 Italian Era (1921-1943).*



The first Italian steamers started their activity in the Dodecanese immediately after the occupation of Rhodes, one of them was the **S/S SCILLA**

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CARTOLINA POSTALE ITALIANA
(CARTE POSTALE D'ITALIE)

Da Palermo a
Piero ho mandato
tre cartoline che
ti ho -

All' Egredi
Signor Basilio M. Giuro
Grecia Zante

Rad. 15 maggio 1911
 Gentilissimo amico mio
 ho sovente girato a Rad.
 Sopra un viaggio della sera
 mio e quello.

Ho scritto più a lungo
 in queste anche per
 l'indugio.

Tanto saluto ai miei
 cari genitori e a voi
 un abbraccio

Vostro amico
 A. G. P. P. P.

PS card from Rhodes to
Zante (Zakynthos) with
Italian printed stamp
(type Leoni) of 10c.

In the second half of the twenties a regular service was started connecting the Dodecanese islands.

Line :Rhodes-Symi-Kos-Kalymnos-Ieros-Ivnos-Patmos-Stamalia

19.06.1937 - PERIOD II.

Domestic rate:
Period (1933-1940)
R.D. 20.12.1932 n°1814
Letter 50c., Air mail 50c.

Franked with
two stamps of 50c.
(type Pittirica).

Perr.
L p
Bia Piram
Mendiane..
(Aacova) Tesi

Mod. 24 R.

PAR AVION
Per via aerea

CENT 50
RODI
POSTE ITALIANE
OFFICINA CARTELLI

CENT 50
RODI
POSTE ITALIANE

STAMPA

Ship cds **PIROSCAFO POSTALE * STAMPALIA 16.AGO.1934.**

15. ITALIAN MARITIME MAIL

M/S EGITTO

Company's: PUGLIA from 1927 until 1931,
LLOYD TRIESTINO until 1937 and after by ADRIATICA
Line: Rhodes - Dodecanese islands – Piraeus – Brindisi.

07.09.1930

35%



International rate:
(Period 1926-1935)
R.D. 15.10.1925 n° 1973
Post card 75c.

Franked with three
stamps of 25c. (type Pittorica).
correct postage.

PPC from Rhodes to Chios. Ship cds **MOTONAVE * EGITTO -7.9.30.**
Arrival pmk in Chios **ΧΙΟΣ 10.IX.1930 18** (Greek island).

M/S RODI

Company: PUGLIA from 1920.
Line: Rhodes - Dodecanese islands – Piraeus – Bari.

16.09.1929

35%



International rate:
(Period 1926-1935)
R.D. 15.10.1925 n° 1973
Letter 1,25L

Franked with three
Vertical Egyptian stamps
Of 5 mils
(Equivalent 1mils = 0,083 L)

Alexandria - Symi
Arrival mark on reverse
in Symi on 18.09.1929.



Ship cds **MONTONAVE * RODI 16.9.29.**

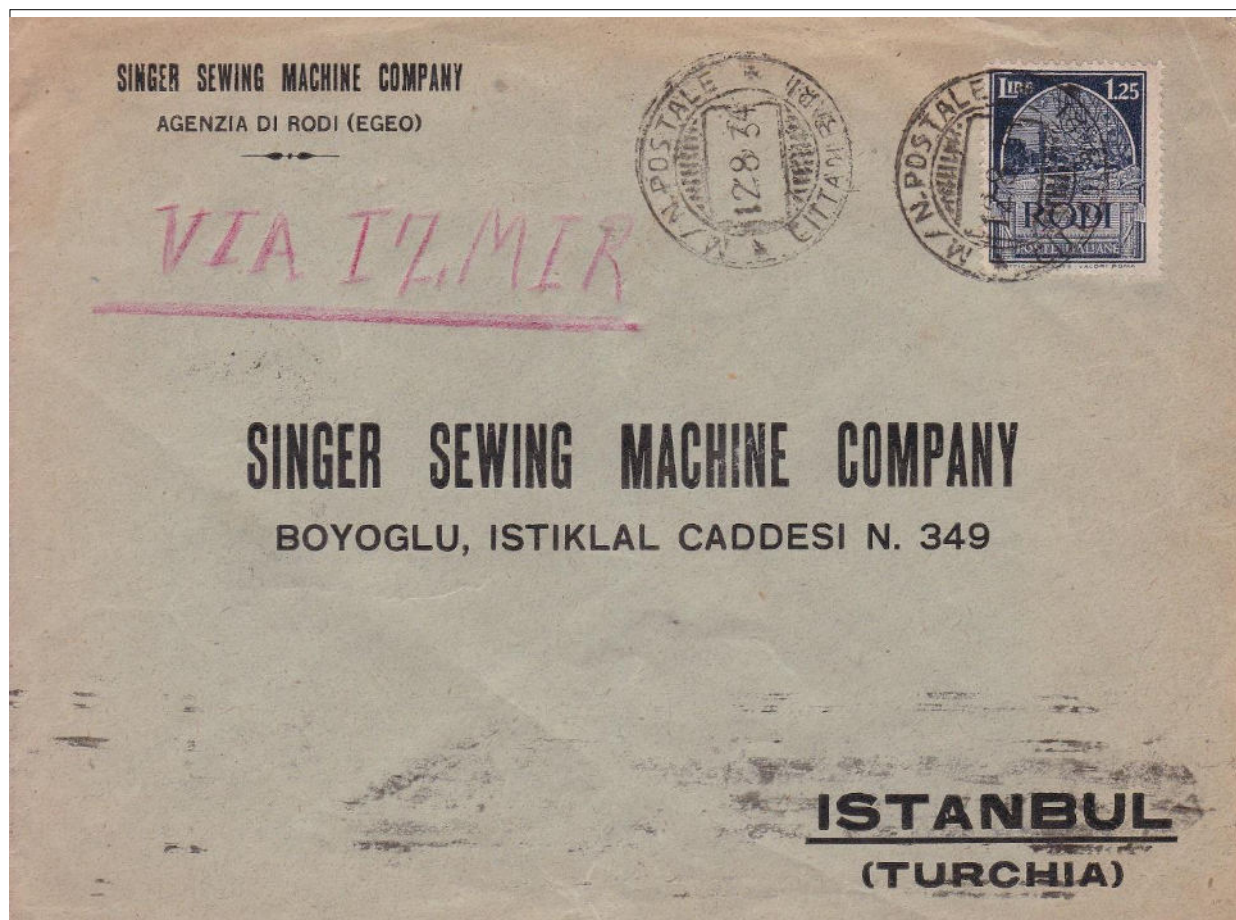
15. ITALIAN MARITIME MAIL

M/S CITTA DI BARI

Company: ADRIATICA from 1933.

Line: Rhodes - Dodecanese islands – Piraeus – Bari.

12.08.1934



International rate:
Period 1926-1935
Letter 1,25L.

Franked with
correct stamp
of 1,25L
(type Pittorica)

ROUTE:
Rhodes 12.8.34-
On reverse
Via
Izmir on 14.8.34
Istanbul on 16.8.34
Final destination
Beyoğlu on 16.8.34
(is a district on the
European side
of Istanbul).

21%



Ship cds **M/N POSTALE * CITTA DI BARI * 12.8.34.**

M/S LERO

Company: ADRIATICA from 1936.

Line 1 (1937): Piraeus -Rhodes – Piraeus Line 2: Rhodes – Alexandria – Rhodes.

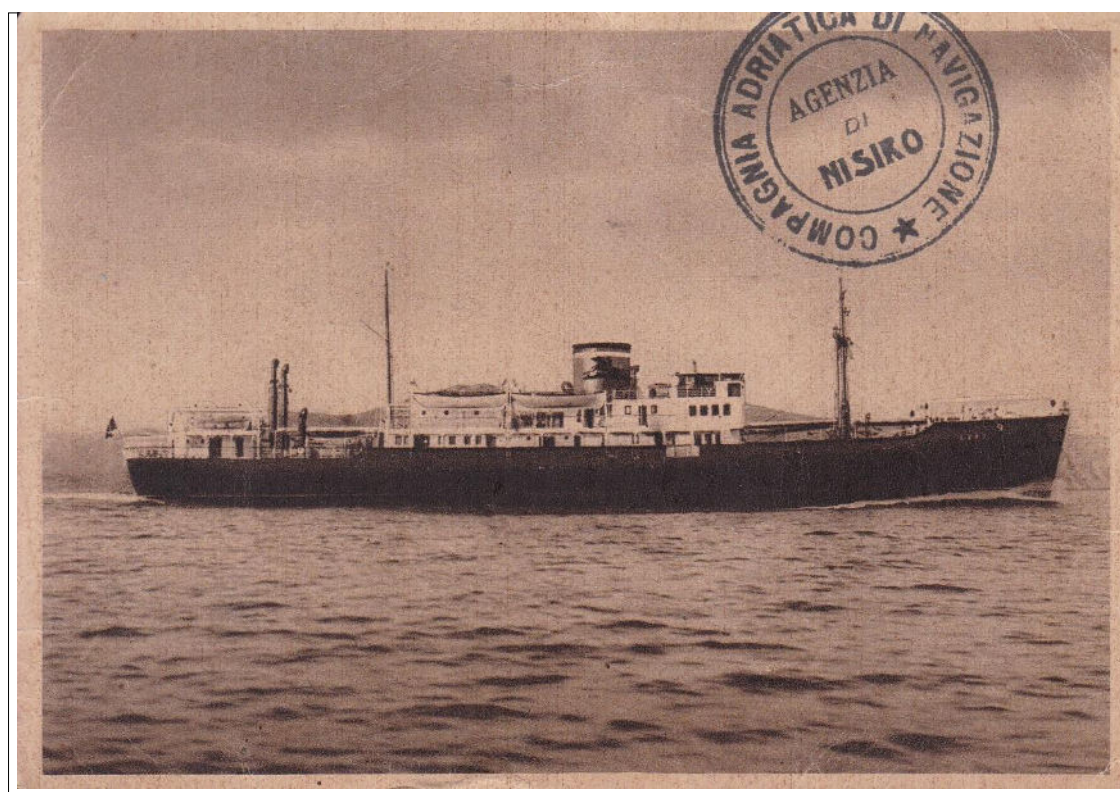
20.04.1938

32%



Postage free PPC
from Nisiros to Athens
cancelled on board
with the postmark
of the agency
**COMPAGNIA ADRIATICA
DI NAVIGAZIONE ***
AGENZIA DI NISIRO

Only the company's handstamp
(Adriatic) of Rhodes
is mentioned in any bibliography
and not the handstamp of
the same company for Nisyros.



15. ITALIAN MARITIME MAIL

S/S SEMIRAMIS

Company: LLOYD TRIESTINO until 1931 and after by ADRIATICA

Line: The ship that did not serve lines.

11.05.1932

Alexandria - Symi
Arrival mark on reverse
in Symi on 17.05.1932

29%



International rate:

(Period 1926-1935)

R.D. 15.10.1925 n° 1973

Letter 1,25L

Franked with a

Egyptian stamp

Of 15 mils

(Equivalent 1mils = 0,083 L).



Ship cds PIROSCAFO SEMIRAMIS * LLOYD TRIESTINO 11.5.32.

M/S PIERO FOSCARI

Company: SAN MARCO from 1928.

Line: Rhodes – Piraeus – Brindisi – Venice.

23.08.1935



Ship cds MOTONAVE POSTALE * PIERO FOSCARI 23 AGO 1935.

Domestic rate:

Period 1933-1940

R.D. 20.12.1932 n°1814

Letter 50c.

Franked with 50c.

Stamp (type Pittorica).

31%



Arrival pmk in Ancona
on 31.08.1935.

15. ITALIAN MARITIME MAIL

M/S FILIPPO GRIMANI

Company: from 1928 by ADRIATICA

Line: Rhodes – Dodecanese islands - Piraeus – Brindisi.

02.01.1931

23%



Arrival in Florence
on 09.01.1931.

Domestic rate:

Period 1927-1931

R.D. 5.8.1927 n°1416

Letter 50c.

Express mail 1,25L.

Franked with 50c
overprinted with

**ISOLE ITALIANE
DELL' EGEO**

Italian stamp

(type Virgil).

And a 1,25L

Overprinted with

RODI Italian stamp
(type Ferrucci).



Ship cds **MOTONAVE POSTALE * FILIPPO GRIMANI * 2 GEN 1931.**

Error in the date in the month written backwards **NEG**

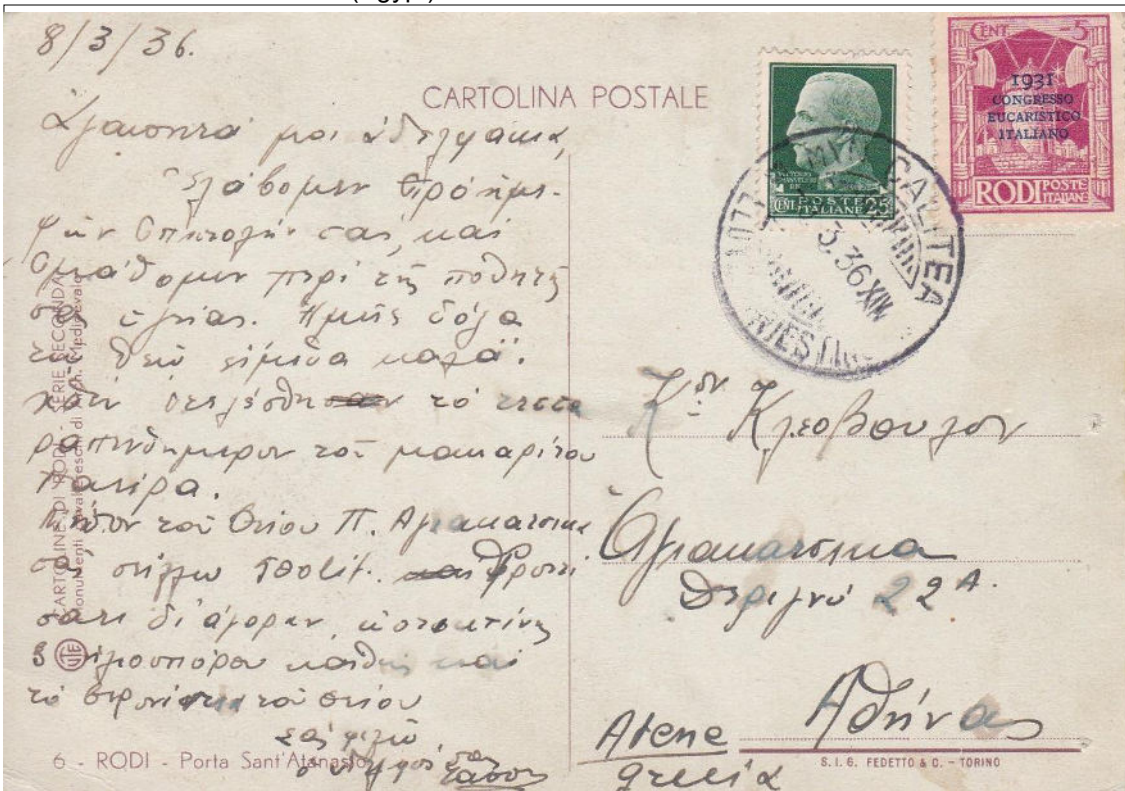
M/S CALITEA

Company: Company: LLOYD TRIESTINO until 1937 and after by ADRIATICA

Line 1: Rhodes – Piraeus – Trieste

Line 2: Rhodes – Alexandria (Egypt).

09.03.1936



32%

International rate:

Period 1935-1939

R.D. 28.2.1935 n° 185

Cart postal 30c.

Franked with a 25c.

Italian stamp
(type imperial)

And a 5c. overprinted
With **1931 CONGRESSO
EUCARISTICO
ITALIANO**

Rhodian stamp
(type Pittorica).

Ship cds **M/N CALITEA
LLOYD TRIESTINO
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