



AIR MAIL



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NOTE.—This leaflet can be consulted at any Post Office. Copies may be obtained on request at many Offices, including all Head and Branch Offices. Where not in stock it may be ordered.

I.—LETTER AIR MAILS.

1. Any kind of letter packet may be sent by Air Mail, that is, letters, postcards, printed papers and commercial papers, and samples. An Air Mail packet may be posted in any of the ordinary ways of posting. It can be accepted for **registration** (exception: Air Mail letters, etc., for Colombia), but **insurance** is limited to letters and boxes for Holland and Switzerland. The ordinary arrangements for **express delivery** and the use of the green label system (for articles liable to Customs duty) apply.

2. A **special blue Air Mail label** should be affixed to the **top left-hand corner** of **every Air Mail packet**. These labels may be obtained **free of charge** at any Post Office.

If an Air Mail label is not available the packet should be clearly marked "By Air Mail"; but **the use of a label will expedite the treatment of the packet**.

3. Air Mail correspondence must be prepaid in stamps with **ordinary postage** and, **in addition, the appropriate Air Mail fee** (see pages 6 and 7). If the Air Mail fee is not fully prepaid, the packet cannot be sent by Air Mail.

II.—PARCEL AIR MAILS.

4. Except where otherwise indicated hereinafter, **the General Regulations of the Imperial and Foreign Parcel Post apply**, *e.g.*, as regards maximum weight and dimensions, Customs Declarations and Despatch Notes, Supplemental services, Compensation, etc.—on which points *see* the Post Office Guide. Air parcels cannot, however, be insured except in the case of those for Holland and Switzerland.

5. **Accepting Offices**.—Air parcels may be posted at any Post Office which accepts parcels for places abroad. Air parcels **exceeding 11 lb. in weight** are accepted at the same Offices and under the same conditions as similar parcels for transmission by ordinary post.

6. The sender of an air parcel must affix an "Air Mail" label to the address label of the parcel and to the relative Despatch Note, and should write the words "Air Mail" conspicuously on the cover of the parcel. He must also prepay, in the usual way, the appropriate inclusive rate of postage as shown in Section V.

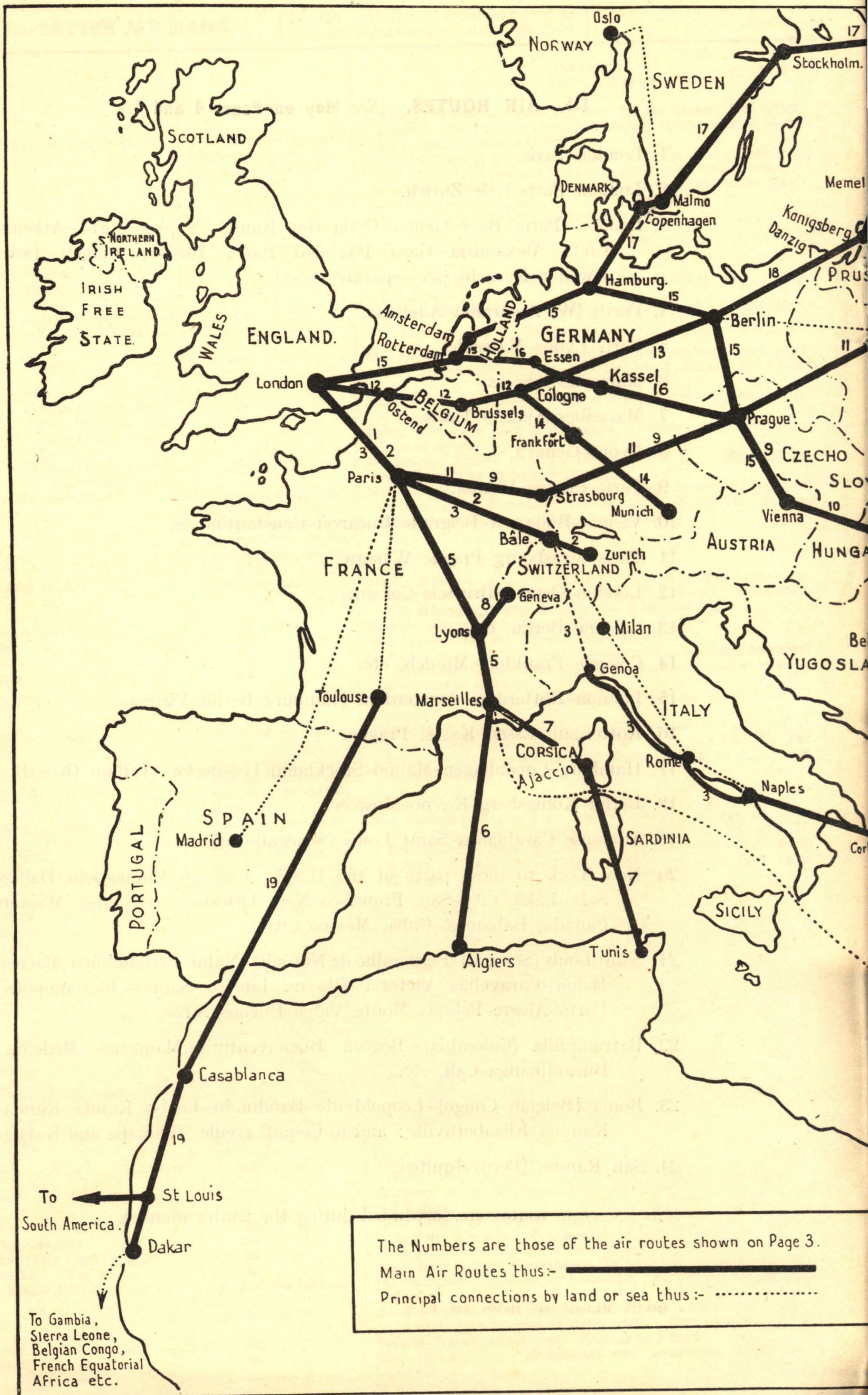
7. In addition to rapid transit by air service, an air parcel is usually given speedy Customs clearance abroad. **It is important**, in order that these advantages may not be thrown away, **that the relative Despatch Notes and Customs Declarations should be very carefully completed in accordance with the general regulations**.

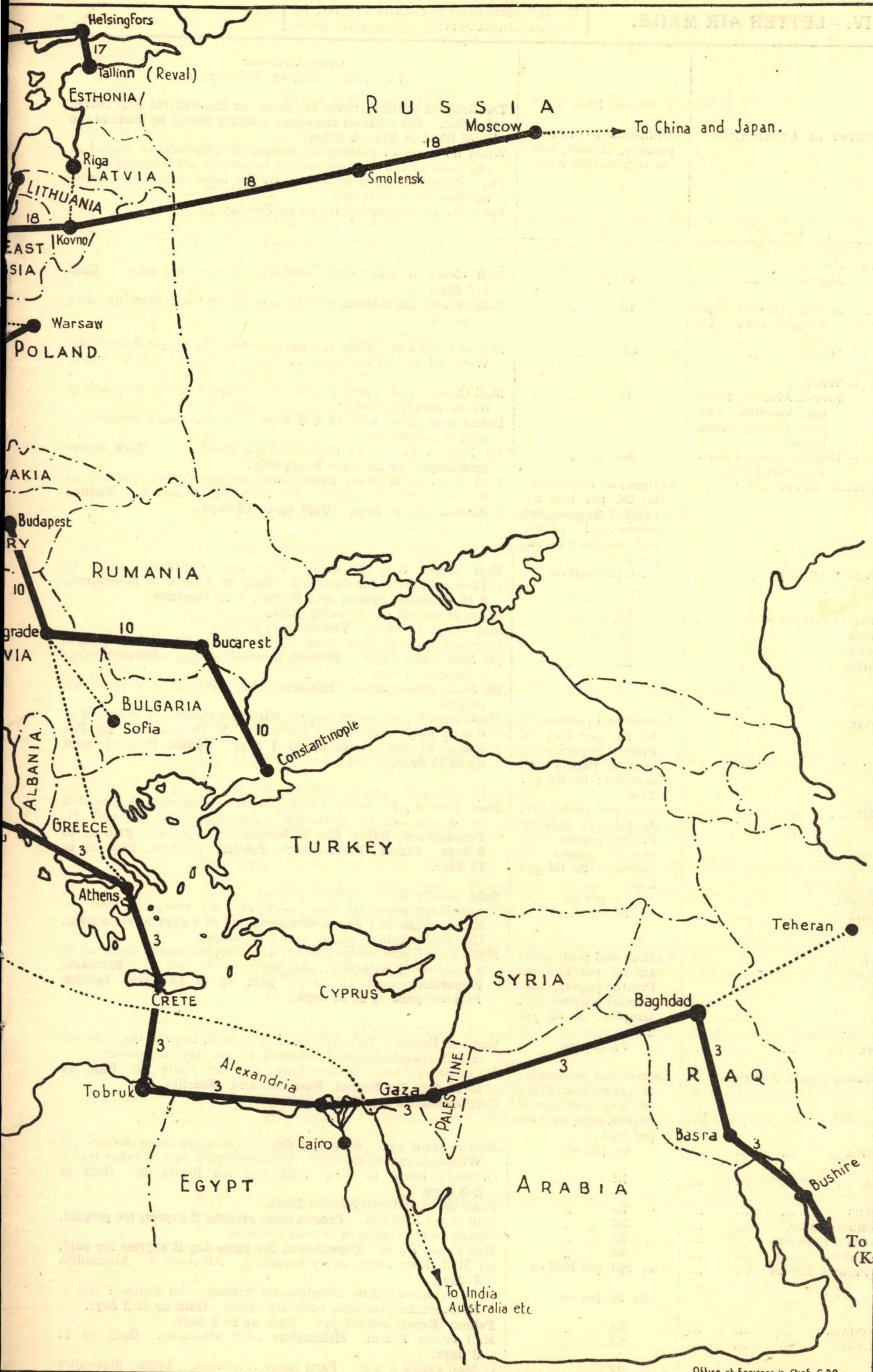
8. Particulars of the air parcel services available are given in Section V. For **latest times of posting** apply at local Head Post Office.

III.—AIR ROUTES. (See Map on Pages 4 and 5.)

1. London-Paris.
2. London-Paris-Bâle-Zurich.
3. London-Paris-Bâle-Genoa-Ostia (for Rome)-Naples-Corfu-Athens-Crete-Alexandria-Gaza-Baghdad-Basra-Bushire-Lingeh-Jask-Gwadar-Karachi (see separate sheet).
4. Perth (W. Australia)-Adelaide.
5. Paris-Lyons-Marseilles.
6. Marseilles-Algiers.
7. Marseilles-Ajaccio-Tunis.
8. Lyons-Geneva.
9. Paris-Prague-Vienna.
10. Vienna-Budapest-Belgrade-Bucarest-Constantinople.
11. Paris-Strasbourg-Prague-Warsaw.
12. London-Ostend-Brussels-Cologne.
13. Cologne-Berlin, etc.
14. Cologne-Frankfort-Munich, etc.
15. London-Rotterdam-Amsterdam-Hamburg-Berlin-Vienna.
16. Rotterdam-Essen-Kassel-Prague.
17. Hamburg-Copenhagen-Malmö-Stockholm-Helsingfors-Tallinn (Reval).
18. Berlin-Königsberg-Kovno-Moscow.
19. Toulouse-Casablanca-Saint Louis (Senegal)-Dakar.
20. New York to most parts of the U.S.A. (Chicago-Minneapolis-Dallas-Salt Lake City-San Francisco-New Orleans, etc.), also Western Canada, Bahamas, Cuba, Mexico City.
21. Saint Louis (Senegal)-Fernandho de Noronha-Natal-Pernambuco-Maceio-Bahia-Caravellas-Victoria-Rio de Janeiro-Santos-Florianopolis-Porto Alegre-Pelotas-Monte Video-Buenos Aires.
22. Barranquilla (Colombia)-Bogotá-Buenaventura-Manizales-Medellin-Bucaramanga-Cali, etc.
23. Boma (Belgian Congo)-Leopoldville-Bandundu-Luebo-Kanda-Kanda-Kamina-Elizabethville; and to Coquilhatville, Tchikapa and Kabalo.
24. San Ramon (Peru)-Iquitos.

N.B.—Certain routes are suspended during the winter months.





IV.—LETTER AIR MAILS.

[For full particulars of countries served by]
[England-India Service, see separate sheet.]

COUNTRY OF DESTINATION.	AIR FEE. (Additional to ordinary postage, express, late or registration fee.)	OBSERVATIONS. <i>Acceleration, Posting, Delivery, etc.</i> The times of posting shown are those for the General Post Office, London. For postings elsewhere, enquiry should be made at the local Head or Branch Office. When no times of posting are shown, correspondence posted at any hour of the day can usually benefit by air transmission. The correspondence is forwarded by the most expeditious route, whether air or ordinary. There are no despatches by air on Sunday.
1.	2.	3.
AFRICA—NORTH		
Algeria	4 <i>d.</i> per oz.	Mail closes 6 a.m. each weekday except Saturday. Gain 1-2 days. Tangier and Casablanca second evening or third morning after despatch.
Morocco (French Zone), Tangier, Tetuan, Larache.	4 <i>d.</i> „ „	
Tunis	4 <i>d.</i> „ „	Mail closes 6 a.m. Gain of 3 days for correspondence despatched Wednesdays and Fridays. Probable small gain at other times.
—WEST		
French Guinea, Senegal, Gambia, Belgian Congo, Sierra Leone.	1 <i>s.</i> „ „	Mail closes 6 p.m. every Friday, with supplementary despatch at 6 a.m. every Saturday. Dakar four days, gain of 6-9 days. Gambia, etc., normally a gain of several days.
—Belgian Congo, French Equatorial Africa.	3 <i>d.</i> „ „	By Belgian Packet to Boma and air route 23. Mark correspondence "by air from Boma only."
ARGENTINE REPUBLIC... ..	Letters and Postcards : 4 <i>s.</i> 2 <i>d.</i> per half oz. Printed papers and commercial papers and samples : 3 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> per 2 oz.	Mail closes 6 p.m. every Friday, with supplementary despatch at 6 a.m. every Saturday. Air routes 1, 19 and 21. Buenos Aires about 10 days. Gain up to 13 days.
AUSTRALIA (EAST)	3 <i>d.</i> per half oz.	Mail closes 6 p.m. every Thursday. Ordinary route to Fremantle and Air Route 4. Gain of 4 days to Melbourne , 3 to Adelaide , Sydney and Hobart , 1 to Brisbane.
AUSTRALIA (all parts)	2 <i>d.</i> per oz.	Same as second entry under India.
AUSTRIA... ..	3 <i>d.</i> „ „	Mail closes 3.30 a.m. Vienna same evening.
BAHAMAS	7 <i>d.</i> „ „	Ordinary route to New York and Air Route 20. Gain 2-4 days.
BELGIUM	2 <i>d.</i> „ „	(a) Mail closes 6 a.m. Brussels same afternoon. Antwerp same afternoon or evening. (b) Mail closes noon. Brussels same evening if express fee prepaid.
BOLIVIA	Letters and postcards : 4 <i>s.</i> 2 <i>d.</i> per half oz. Printed papers, commercial papers and samples : 3 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> per 2 oz.	Mail closes 6 p.m. every Friday, with supplementary despatch at 6 a.m. every Saturday. Air routes 1, 19 and 21. La Paz about 21 days, gain up to 4 days. Tupiza 19 days, gain up to 11 days.
BRAZIL	Letters and postcards : 3 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> per half oz. Printed papers, commercial papers and samples : 3 <i>s.</i> 0 <i>d.</i> per 2 oz.	Mail closes 6 p.m. every Friday, with supplementary despatch at 6 a.m. every Saturday. Air routes 1, 19 and 21. Pernambuco , Bahia , Rio de Janeiro about 9 days, gain up to 9 days. Santos , Porto-Alegre , Pelotas , 10 days, gain up to 11 days.
BULGARIA	4 <i>d.</i> per oz.	Sofia usually third day after posting.
CANADA	7 <i>d.</i> „ „	By ordinary route to New York and air route 20; then by train. Gain of 1 day to Winnipeg and of 2 days to Vancouver. Usually no gain to places east of Winnipeg.
CHILE	Letters and postcards : 4 <i>s.</i> 2 <i>d.</i> per half oz. Printed papers, commercial papers and samples : 3 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> per 2 oz.	Mail closes 6 p.m. every Friday, with supplementary despatch at 6 a.m. every Saturday. Air routes 1, 19 and 21. Santiago , Valparaiso about 12 days: gain up to 13 days. Iquique 19 days, gain up to 11 days.
CHINA	7 <i>d.</i> per oz.	Same as Russia : To overtake at Moscow or beyond the ordinary mail despatched from London up to two days previously.
COLOMBIA (South America) ...	Letters and postcards : 1 <i>s.</i> per half oz. Printed and commercial papers, samples : 6 <i>d.</i> per half oz.	By ordinary route via New York and air route 22. Gain up to 10 days for Bogota , Buenaventura , Medellin , etc. Correspondence cannot be registered.
CORSICA	4 <i>d.</i> per oz.	Mail closes 6 a.m. Gain of 1 day for correspondence despatched Wednesdays and Fridays. Probable small gain at other times. Ordinary route to New York and Air Route 20. Gain of 2-3 days.
CUBA	7 <i>d.</i> „ „	Same as second entry under India.
CYPRUS	2 <i>d.</i> „ „	Mail closes 3.30 a.m. Prague same evening if express fee prepaid.
CZECHOSLOVAKIA	3 <i>d.</i> „ „	Danzig next evening or second morning.
DANZIG (Free City)	2 <i>d.</i> „ „	Mail closes 7 a.m. Copenhagen the same day if express fee paid.
DENMARK	3 <i>d.</i> „ „	(a) Mail closes 7 a.m. every Saturday. Air route 3. Alexandria 4 days.
EGYPT and SUDAN	(a) 2½ <i>d.</i> per half oz. (b) 2 <i>d.</i> per oz.	(b) Mail closes 6 a.m. Monday and Friday. Air routes 1 and 5. To overtake preceding ordinary mails. Gain up to 2 days.
ESTONIA... ..	5 <i>d.</i> „ „	Tallinn (Reval) second day. Gain up to 2 days.
FINLAND	5 <i>d.</i> „ „	Mail closes 7 a.m. Helsingfors next afternoon. Gain up to 3 days.
FRANCE	2 <i>d.</i> „ „	(a) Mail closes 6 a.m. Paris same afternoon. Lyons , Marseilles same evening. (b) Mail closes 11 a.m. at counter; Paris same evening.

IV.—Letter Air Mails—continued.

COUNTRY OF DESTINATION. 1.	AIR FEE. (Additional to ordinary postage, express, late or registration fee.) 2.	OBSERVATIONS. <i>Acceleration, Posting, Delivery, etc.</i> The times of posting shown are those for the General Post Office, London. For postings elsewhere, enquiry should be made at the local Head or Branch Office. When no times of posting are shown, correspondence posted at any hour of the day can usually benefit by air transmission. The correspondence is forwarded by the most expeditious route, whether air or ordinary. There are no despatches by air on Sunday. 3.
GERMANY	2d. per oz.	(a) Mails close 3.30 and 7 a.m. Berlin, Cologne, Hamburg and Hanover same day. (b) Mails close 11 a.m. and 12.30 p.m. at counter. Berlin next morning. Frankfort and Munich next afternoon if express fee paid. Athens third or fourth day.
GREECE	4d. per oz.	(a) Mails close 3.30, 7 and 11.30 a.m. Amsterdam and Rotterdam same day. (b) Mail closes 4 p.m. Amsterdam and Rotterdam next morning. Mail closes 3.30 a.m. Budapest next morning. Mail closes 7 a.m. every Saturday. Air route 3. Karachi 7½ days. Bombay , about 9½ days. Calcutta, Madras 10–11 days. Mail closes 7.30 a.m. every Friday. To overtake ordinary mail of previous evening.
HAWAII	Same as U.S.A.	
HOLLAND	2d. per oz.	(a) Mail closes 7 a.m. every Saturday. Air route 3. Baghdad and Basra 5½ days. (b) Mail closes 6 p.m. every Thursday. Ordinary route to Gaza , thence by air. Baghdad and Basra , 7 days. (c) Mail closes 7.30 a.m. every Friday. By air to Marseilles to overtake mail at (b). (a) Mail closes 8.30 a.m. Milan and Genoa next morning. (b) Mail closes 11 a.m. at counter. Accelerated delivery through-out Italy.
HUNGARY	3d. " "	JAPAN Same as China. JUGO-SLAVIA See Serbs, Croats and Slovenes (Kingdom of).
INDIA	6d. per half oz.	
INDIA (also Aden, Ceylon, Straits Settlements, etc.).	2d. per oz.	LATVIA } 5d. per oz. LITHUANIA } MEMEL } MEXICO } 1s. 2d. " "
IRAQ (including Kuwait) ...	(a) 4½d. per half oz. (b) 3d. per oz. (c) 5d. " "	
ITALY	2d. per oz.	NORWAY 3d. " " PALESTINE (a) 2½d. per half oz. (b) 2d. per oz.
JAPAN	Same as China.	PARAGUAY Letters and postcards : 4s. 2d. per half oz. Printed and commercial papers and samples : 3s. 6d. per 2 oz.
JUGO-SLAVIA	See Serbs, Croats and Slovenes (Kingdom of).	
LATVIA	5d. per oz.	(a) 4½d. per half oz. } Same routes as for Iraq. (b) 3d. per oz. } (c) 5d. per oz. }
LITHUANIA		
MEMEL	1s. 2d. " "	(a) Mail closes 7 a.m. every Saturday. Air route 3. Gaza 4½ days. (b) Same as Egypt . Mail closes 6 p.m. every Friday, with supplementary despatch at 6 a.m. every Saturday. Air routes 1, 19 and 21. Asuncion about 16 days ; gain up to 13 days.
MEXICO		
NORWAY	3d. " "	PERSIA (a) Teheran 11 days (ordinary route takes 11–16 days). Isfahan about 8 days ; for places in Southern Persia , gain up to 11 days. (b) Isfahan about 10 days ; for places in S. Persia , gain up to 9 days. (c) Mail closes 7.30 a.m. Friday. To overtake mail at (b). Mail closes 7 a.m. every Saturday. Air route 3. Bushire, Lingeh and Jask , 6 days. Gain up to 14 days. By ordinary route via New York and air route 24. Gain up to 21 days for Iquitos, Contamana, Masisea and Puerto Bermudez . Limit of size : 12" × 6" × 6". Packets should be clearly marked "Servicio Aereo" in bottom left-hand corner. Warsaw second day. Bucarest third day. Mail closes 7 a.m. Moscow next afternoon. Mail closes 3.30 a.m. Belgrade next day but one. No advantage for Dalmatian Coast. Mail closes at 11 a.m. at counter. Air route 1 and Night Mail from Paris. Mail closes 7 a.m. Malmö, Stockholm and Gothenburg next morning. (a) Mail closes 6 a.m. Geneva same evening. (b) Mail closes 8.30 a.m. Bâle, Zurich same afternoon. (c) Mail closes 11 a.m. at counter ; Air route 1 ; then by train.
PALESTINE	(a) 2½d. per half oz. (b) 2d. per oz.	
PARAGUAY	Letters and postcards : 4s. 2d. per half oz. Printed and commercial papers and samples : 3s. 6d. per 2 oz.	POLAND 3d. per oz. ROUMANIA 4d. " " RUSSIA and SIBERIA 7d. " " SERBS, CROATS and SLOVENES (Kingdom of) 4d. " " SPAIN 2d. " " SWEDEN 3d. " " SWITZERLAND 2d. " "
PERSIA	(a) 4½d. per half oz. (b) 3d. per oz. (c) 5d. per oz.	
PERSIAN GULF PORTS... ..	6d. per half oz.	SYRIA } Same as Palestine TRANSJORDAN } TURKEY } 4d. per oz. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA 7d. " "
PERU	10d. per half oz.	
POLAND	3d. per oz.	URUGUAY Letters and postcards : 4s. 2d. per half oz. Printed and commercial papers and samples : 3s. 6d. per 2 oz.
ROUMANIA	4d. " "	
RUSSIA and SIBERIA	7d. " "	Constantinople third or fourth day. Ordinary route to New York and Air route 20. Gain of 1–2 days for New Orleans and places West of a line from New Orleans to Chicago . Mail closes 6 p.m. every Friday, with supplementary despatch at 6 a.m. every Saturday. Air routes 1, 19 and 21. Montevideo about 10 days ; gain up to 12 days.
SERBS, CROATS and SLOVENES (Kingdom of)	4d. " "	
SPAIN	2d. " "	
SWEDEN	3d. " "	
SWITZERLAND	2d. " "	
SYRIA	Same as Palestine	
TRANSJORDAN		
TURKEY	4d. per oz.	
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	7d. " "	
URUGUAY	Letters and postcards : 4s. 2d. per half oz. Printed and commercial papers and samples : 3s. 6d. per 2 oz.	

V.—PARCEL AIR MAILS.

Country of Destination. 1.	Rates of Postage from Gt. Britain and N. Ireland.							Observations. 3.
	Parcels not exceeding— 2.							
	2 lb.	3 lb.	5 lb.	7 lb.	8 lb.	11 lb.	22 lb.	
AUSTRIA (1)(2) ...	s. d. 3 6	s. d. —	s. d. —	s. d. 7 0	s. d. —	s. d. 9 6	s. d. 16 0	By Air to Cologne; thence by train. Delivery in Vienna second or third day after posting.
BELGIUM (1)(2)(3)...	—	2 6	—	5 6	—	7 6	11 6	By Air to Brussels. Delivery in Brussels same evening or next morning; most of Belgium next day.
COLOMBIA (South America).	4s. 6d. per lb. or fraction thereof up to maximum of 22 lb.							By ordinary route to Colombia; then by air. Semi-official service. Saving of up to several weeks compared with the ordinary service.
CZECHO-SLOVAKIA(2)	4 0	—	—	11 0	—	16 0	23 6	By Air to Prague. Delivery in Prague second day after posting.
DENMARK (1)(2)(3)	4 0	—	—	9 0	—	13 6	25 0	By Air to Copenhagen. Delivery in Copenhagen second day after posting.
*FRANCE (Paris only)— (a) "Express" Service.	1 9	—	3 0	—	4 6	6 0	12 0	Delivery, by "express" service same evening, or next morning; by "non-express" service, a day or so later, but substantially in advance of delivery by ordinary parcel post service.
(b) "Non-Express" Service.	1 6	—	2 3	—	3 3	4 3	8 6	
GERMANY (1)(2)(3) (a) All parts ...	2 6	—	—	5 6	—	7 6	13 0	(a) By Air to Cologne or Essen: thence by train. Delivery in Cologne , if an express fee is paid same evening, or next morning.
(b) All parts except Rhineland.	3 6	—	—	8 0	—	12 0	21 0	(b) By Air to Hamburg, Berlin or Kassel. Delivery in Hamburg or Berlin same evening or next morning.
†HOLLAND (1)(2)(3)	—	2 6	—	5 0	—	6 6	13 0	By Air to Rotterdam or Amsterdam. Delivery in Rotterdam and Amsterdam same evening, if an express fee is paid, and in most of Holland next morning.
HUNGARY (2) ...	3 6	—	—	7 6	—	10 0	17 0	By Air to Cologne: thence by train. Delivery in Budapest 5 days after posting.
ITALY ...	4 0	—	—	9 0	—	12 6	22 0	By Air to Bâle; thence by train. Gain of several days to all parts.
LUXEMBURG (2) ...	—	2 6	—	5 6	—	7 6	11 6	Same as Belgium.
NORWAY ...	4 6	—	—	10 6	—	14 6	27 0	By Air to Malmö; thence by train.
PERU (certain places only).	4s. per lb. or fraction thereof up to maximum of 22 lb.							Places served:—Puerto Bermudez, Contamana, Masisea, Iquitos. Gain up to 3 weeks. Parcels must not exceed 500 cubic inches or a maximum length of 3 feet.
SWEDEN (1)(2)(3) ...	—	5 0	—	10 0	—	14 0	26 0	By Air to Malmö. Delivery in Stockholm 2 or 3 days after posting.
‡SWITZERLAND (1)(2)(3).	3 0	—	—	8 0	—	11 0	20 0	By Air to Bâle or Zurich. Delivery in Bâle or Zurich same evening if an express fee is paid.

(1) Payment of Customs and other charges may be undertaken by the sender (see Post Office Guide).

(2) Parcels not over 11 lb. may be prepaid for express delivery (see Post Office Guide).

(3) Cash on Delivery parcels may be sent (see Post Office Guide).

† Insured parcels are accepted: Maximum insured value, £80.

‡ £400.

* FRANCE ("Paris only")—Semi-official "service." Air parcels may be posted for Paris, but not for any other place in France. Imperial Airways, Limited, undertakes the clearance of the parcels through the French Customs and their subsequent delivery at any address within the walls of Paris at a charge to the addressee of 4f.50 per parcel (6f.50 by "express" service). This charge is exclusive of ordinary French Customs charges. Delivery at a charge to the addressee of 8f.50 per parcel is also undertaken in the following suburbs:—Asnières, Aubervilliers, Bagnolet, Boulogne, Clichy, Colombes, Courbevoie, La Plaine St. Denis (not St. Denis), Le Bourget, Les Lilas, Levallois-Perret, Neuilly, Pantin, Pre Saint-Gervais, Puteaux, St. Mandé, St. Ouen, Vincennes. The sender, and not the Post Office or the Air Company, is responsible for seeing that the parcel is addressed to a place which is within the area of delivery. If it is not, the parcel will ordinarily be returned to the sender who will be liable for all charges incurred. Redirection to places beyond Paris is not undertaken.