

## 1935 SILVER JUBILEE OF KING GEORGE V

The Union's 1935 Silver Jubilee stamps were part of a British Empire-wide issue commemorating King George V's accession to the throne. It was the Union's third commemorative issue in 25 years.

Four values - ½d. 1d. 3d. and 6d. - were printed by the Government Printing Works, Pretoria and placed on sale from 01 May 1935. After withdrawal on 29 June 1935, all remainders were destroyed.

The stamps' bilingual top and bottom inscriptions alternate both horizontally and vertically.

Except for the 3<sup>rd</sup> printing of the 1d. value, one Headplate (Interior cylinder) was used to make the printings of all values. This cylinder is known as the "common" cylinder ("common" to all values). The headplate used for the 3<sup>rd</sup> printing of the 1d. is known as the "uncommon" cylinder.

Each value was printed with its own Frameplate (Exterior cylinder).

These features as well as retouching and progression of flaws make this a fascinating issue.

Blocks of stamps, especially of the two high values, are hard to find.

No cylinder blocks, specimens, plate:- or colour proofs exist.

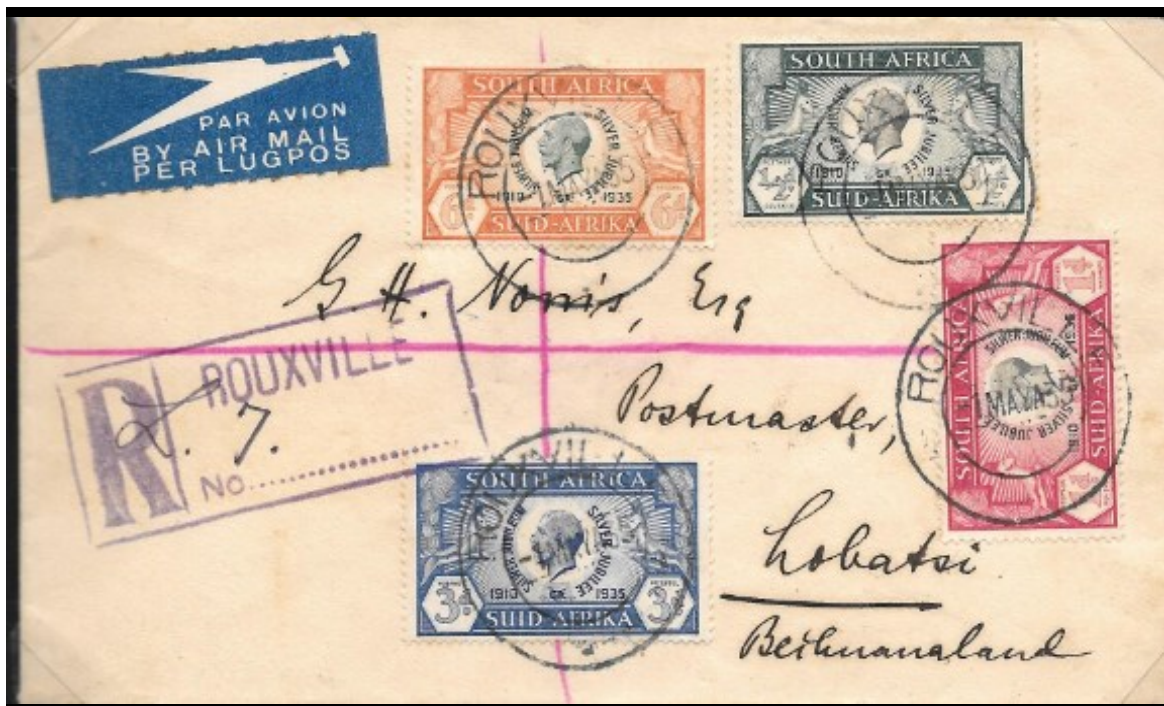
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Scarce or unique items are matted with blue borders. Personal research findings and observations with green borders.

In the usual course of events, scans of the ½d stamp are used to illustrate flaws.



First day of use – 1 May 1935. Empire letter rate 1d per ounce

### Highlights

- Blocks of stamps signed by designer
- Photographic essay
- Joined Paper
- Examples of dry print on the stamps
- Updated listings of known flaws
- Newly identified characteristics
- New observations regarding errors/flaws
- Amersfoort skeleton type relief date stamp
- Earliest recorded date of use of Postal Slogan
- Perfins

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