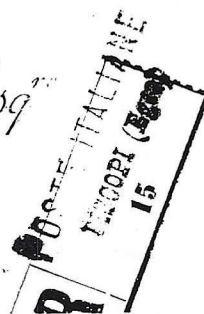


PISCOPI
Special Overprints

Poste Italiane/Piscopi (Egeo)
10 March 1913
20 April 1913



Alfred Berdoz Esq
Generalpostoffice



Raccomandata

Switzerland



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Sign: Chario Pini



(Pisa)

Becina

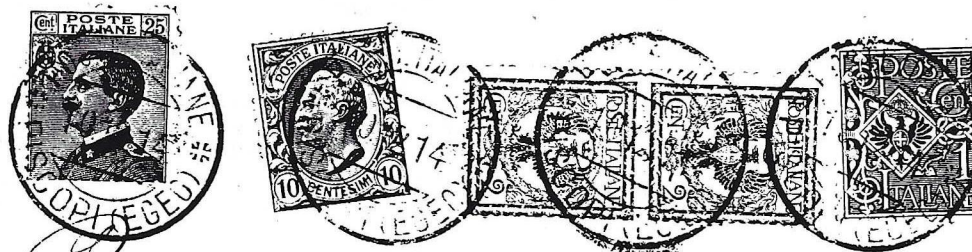
The usual rubber cds was introduced on 7 August 1912 and used until March or April 1913. Piscopi is ranked second only to Lipso as the least important member of the Dodecanese Group. Unfortunately, this means that non-philatelic covers are essentially non-existent, so collectors today have to make do with what can be obtained.

PISCOPI
Special Overprints
Unoverprinted Italian Stamps

Poste Italiane/Piscopi (Egeo)
 31 December 1913
 10 December 1914



Regno Sig. Erro Marino
Maresciallo di Finanza
Bigliano Vercellese

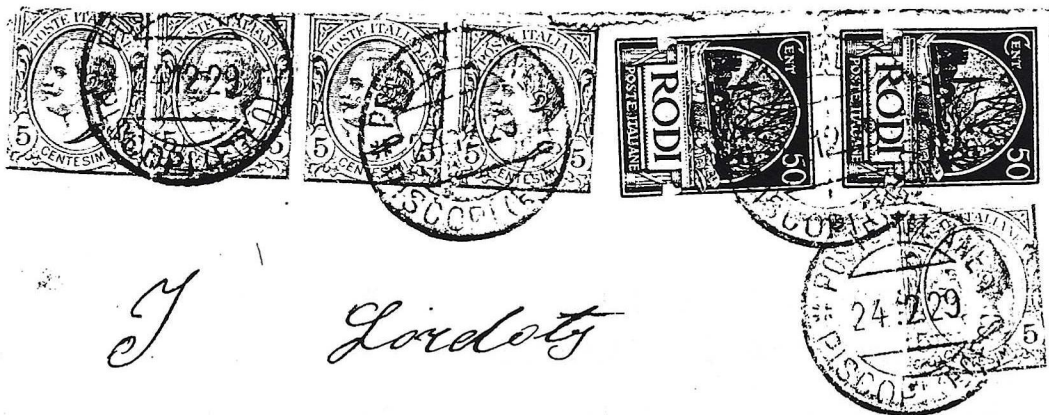


Raccomandata
Sto. Av. Giacobino Sereni
P. O. Anac. S. P. Studio Vagnaz
POSTE ITALIANE
R PISCOPI (Egeo)
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Roma

The steel cds arrived in March or April 1913 and it remained in exclusive use until the late 1930s.

PISCOPI
Mixed Franking of Italian and Rodi Definitives
Special Overprints on Commemoratives

Poste Italiane/Piscopi (Egeo)
 24 December 1929
 16 November 1930



Y Lovelady

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RACCOMANDATA



N. H. Conte Dott.

S I G N O (Monferrato)

R
Piscopi
 287

This datestamp was the standard marking used in Piscopi from 1913 until the late 1930s.



Standard Piscopi postmark used on first day cover of the Garibaldi commemoratives and sent to the National Committee for the 50th Anniversary of the death of Garibaldi.

RODI

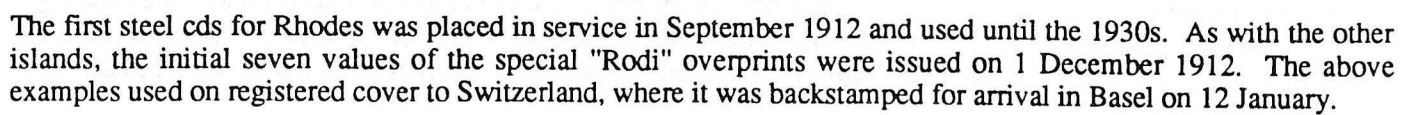
Rhodes was by far the most important member of the Dodecanese Group, with 545 square miles and a population of around 37,000 during the early Italian period. It has excellent agricultural areas producing fruit, vegetables and wine. Tourism is also an important economic factor. The Italian 6th Division arrived in Rhodes-Town on 5 May 1912, and the last of the Turkish defenders gave up on the 16th.

Poste Italiane/Rodi (Egeo)
26 July 1912



The first Italian post office was military, as described at the beginning of the exhibit. The civil office used a rubber cds from its opening 8 June 1912 until September when it was replaced by the steel cancel. Italian postage was used in the early period, but stamps previously overprinted for use in the offices in the Levant were accepted. This obviously philatelic cover is franked with stamps bearing the "Constantinopoli" overprint, including the 20 and 40 piaster high values. Sent to the Bank of Athens in Mersina, it was backstamped for arrival at the Austrian post office abroad there on 30 July 1912.

Poste Italiane/Rodi (Egeo)
6 January 1913



RODI
Special Overprints

Rodi/(Egeo)
29 December 1915
30 May 1916

CORPO D'OCCUPAZIONE
DELL'EGEO

Carissimo Raffaele

*Sono giunto oggi
felicitandoti a Rodi, in
dove mi affretto ad unire
a te e tutta la tua famiglia
i miei più affettuosi auguri
per l'anno nuovo.
Un abbraccio a tua moglie
e a tutti.*

*W.D.
Maresciallo 34 Regg. Fanteria
Rodi (Egeo)*



All M.

Signor Raffaele Mariani

Via S. Stefano 11

**21.9.16*

NOV

Roma



*Lieut. Anna Vergara di Leco
Parco Margherita 30
Napoli*

A second steel cds for Rhodes no longer had the "Italian Posts" inscription but merely the name of the post office. It was placed in service in November 1913 and continued with minor variations until the early 1930s.

RODI
Military Mail

Rodi/(Egeo)
28 January 1916
23 May 1916

19249 VAT - Propriété réservée Librairie &
Papeterie K. M. Anastasiades - Rodi



Monsieur
Arthur Mazing

11 Bis Avenue

Paris (France)
Chancé

Rodi (Egeo) 22 Maggio 1916

Carissimi
gentile pensiero.
Spasmodica i miei più
cordiali saluti.

Benente Giannatano

CAROLINA POSTALE COMMEMORATIVA
DELLA IV. GUERRA PER L'INDIPENDENZA

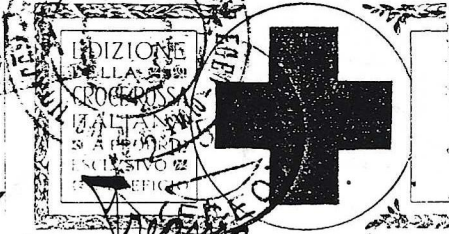


Fig. 7! Thairhart
Ingénieur Sanitaire
Casablanca
(Maroc)

Postcards sent by members of military units during World War I. Note that the one addressed to Morocco required payment of the 10 centesimi postage for an international card.

RODI
Official Mail

Commune di Rodi/(Egeo)
25 December 1918



Personale

Ellena



*Caro Signor Tenente Generale
Elia (or Rossi)*

*Com. del Com. di Occup.
Rodi*

The above handstamp was used for local delivery of messages from the administration of Rhodes Town. It is not described in the literature but is clearly official based on the imprinted corner card on the reverse of the envelope.

RODI
Special Overprints

Poste Ital. Racc. Ass./Rodi (Egeo)
18 February 1919



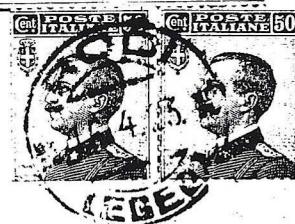
Markings for special postal services were only provided to Rhodes, not the other islands. This example was for registered and insured mail (Raccomandate e Assuricate).

RODI
Unoverprinted Italian Stamps

Rodi (Egeo)
16 April 1923

ΒΑΦΕΙΟΝ & ΚΑΘΑΡΙΣΤΗΡΙΟΝ
ΔΙ' ΑΤΜΟΥ
ΒΑΣΙΛΕΙΟΥ Σ. ΛΕΒΕΝΤΕΡΗ
ΡΟΔΟΣ (ΑΙΓΑΙΟΝ)

TEINTURERIE & DEGRAISSAGE
A VAPEUR
BASILE S. LEVENTER'S
RHODES (EGÉE)



*Action Gesellschaft
für Textil-Fabrication*

Allemagne

Berlin S.O. 36

By the early 1920s the special overprints for the individual islands were phased out and ordinary Italian postage was being used. In this case, a pair of 50 cent. values was used on a registered letter to Germany.

BANCO DI ROMA

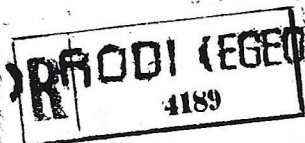
RACCOMANDATO

Spett.



Alvis Baumgarten

VI Willgasse 19



Wien

This example of the postmark for registered and insured mail (Raccomandate e Assuricate) was used to cancel a pair of the commemoratives for the 25th Anniversary of the Reign of Victor Emmanuel III.

RODI
Unoverprinted Italian Stamp

Poste Ital. Racc. Ass./Rodi (Egeo)
18 December 1924

AMMINISTRAZIONE DELLE POSTE E DEI TELEGRAPHI D'ITALIA



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

AVVISO

DI RICEVIMENTO
DE RÉCEPTION

AVIS

DI PAGAMENTO
DE PAYEMENT



di un (a) Lettera
d'un
inserirlo sotto il N. 110 dall'ufficio
enregistré sous le N. 110 au bureau
di
de
il 18-12 1924 e indirizzato
le al Sig. [illegible] et adressé
al Sig.
a M.

di un vaglia postale della somma di Lire
d'un mandat de poste de la somme de Frs.
emesso dall'ufficio di
emis par le bureau de
li 192 sotto il N.
le 192 sous le N.
a favore del Sig.
au profit de M.
a
a

Il sottoscritto dichiara che (b)
Le soussigné déclare que

sopra indicato è stato regolarmente
susmentionné a dûment

il 18-12
le
del destinatario
du destinataire
Firme (d)
Signatures

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

Bollo dell'ufficio
distributore o pagatore



(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. L'objet recommandé ou la lettre ou la boîte
o la scatola assicurata o il pacco postale o il vaglia postale. — (c) Consegnato o pagato. — (d) Questo avviso deve essere firmato
assurée ou le colis postal ou le mandat de poste. Livré ou payé. Cet avis doit être signé par le destinataire, ou si les
dal destinatario, o se i regolamenti del paese di destinazione lo permettono, dal capo dell'ufficio distributore o pagatore; poi essere messo
réglements du pays de destination le permettent, par le chef du bureau distributeur ou payeur, puis être mis sous enveloppe et envoyé
in busta e spedito in raccomandazione col primo corriere all'ufficio d'origine dell'oggetto cui si riferisce.
sous recommandation par le premier courrier au bureau d'origine de l'objet qu'il concerne.

Special marking for registered and insured mail (Raccomandate e Assuricate) shown used on a registry receipt from Rhodes to the Italian Commercial Bank in Rome.

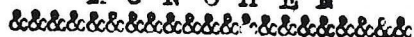
VITTORIA FRÈRES - Rhodes (Egée)



S P A T E N B R A U

Abteilung Flaschenbier

M U N C H E N



2 Brieffach

This steel cancel with larger and squared-off letters was introduced in 1926 and used until the mid-1930s. Shown here canceling commemoratives for the 700th anniversary of the death of St. Francis of Assisi.

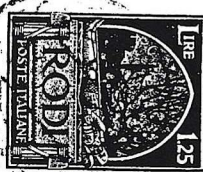
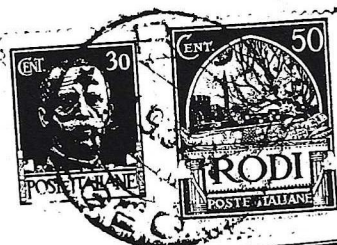
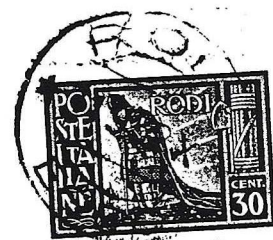
RODI
Mixed Franking of Aegean & Italian Stamps

Rodi (Egeo)
11 September 1932

Posta Aerea/Rodi (Egeo)
30 August 1931

Sig.

Isaac Azaradul
14 Patton Avenue
Asheville N. C.
U. S. of A.



Mrs. W. Haynes Walker
35 Lee St.
Cambridge Mass.
U. S. America.

The above covers sent to the U.S. show usage of the standard postmarks of Rhodes Town for ordinary mail and airmail during the 1930s. In fact, there were a number of similar canceling devices used, but the differences are so minor as to be irrelevant for the purposes of this study.

RODI
Italian Special Delivery Stamp
General Aegean Islands Commemoratives

Rodi/(Egeo)
22 February 1932

COMPAGNIA COMMERCIALE ITALIANA PER L' EGEO

DIREZIONE



L' EGEO



Sigg.
Gianni e Mary Pellini

L'Espresso Trieste
Via S. S. Martiri 46 p. I

Italian stamps commemorating the 700th anniversary of the birth of St. Anthony were overprinted for the Aegean Islands. One was used above to pay the ordinary postage, with an Italian special delivery stamp being added for the express fee. An unusual mixed franking.