
Castellum



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President's Message

by Gary Little

Take a close look at this small sheet of five of the 3c olive green Charlotte definitive stamp of 1921 that I recently acquired — it is mint never hinged with the usual mottled gum of the era. Have you ever seen one before? I certainly hadn't — and since it's not listed in Scott or in the specialized Prifix catalog, I'm guessing that very few people are even aware of it.

Luxembourg did issue a similar sheet of five of the 15c rose value on January 6, 1921 to celebrate the birth of the future Grand Duke Jean (Scott 125a; Prifix Feuillet No. 1), but that sheet was wider, included a serial number in the upper right, and the perforated initials "CC" in the lower right. Although special sheets of 25 of the 3c, 6c, 20c, 75c, and 80c values were also issued later, all the stamps in this series were normally printed in sheets of 100.

My 3c sheet of five is undoubtedly an unissued proof. The fact that it is not mentioned in Prifix is a bit of a mystery, however, since proofs for several other issues are listed and valued. Perhaps one of our readers can provide more information about this sheet and other unlisted proofs that may exist for this first series of Charlotte definitive stamps.



Airmail Rates from Luxembourg to the United States & Canada, 1945-1971, Part 3
by Gary Little

[continued from the March 2005 issue of *Castellum*]



24.12.1957 Luxembourg-Ville to Hollywood, California

14.00 F = 4.00 F (letter, 1st weight class) + 10.00 F (airmail fee, 4th weight class)

Airmail fee: 2.50 F per 5 g = 10.00 F for this 15-20 g letter

Note: Letter sent to George Stevens, director of many films, including *Shane* and *Giant*.



03.04.1957 Ettelbruck to Kent, Connecticut

14.00 F = 4.00 F (letter, 1st weight class) + 5.00 F (registration fee) +

5.00 F (airmail fee, 2nd weight class)

Airmail fee: 2.50 F per 5 g = 5.00 F for this 9 g letter



25.3.1955 Luxembourg-Ville to New York, New York
 27.00 F = 6.50 F (letter, 2nd weight class) + 8.00 F (special delivery) +
 12.50 F (airmail fee, 5th weight class)
 Airmail fee: 2.50 F per 5 g = 12.50 F for this 25-30 g letter



24.8.1953 Dommeldange to Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas
 5.00 F = 2.50 F (postcard) + 2.50 F (airmail fee, 1st weight class)
 Airmail fee: 2.50 F per 5 g = 2.50 F for this postcard



3.11.1953 Luxembourg-Ville to Denver, Colorado

3.30 F = 0.80 F (printed matter, 1st weight class) + 2.50 F (airmail fee, 1st weight class)
 Airmail fee: 2.50 F per 5 g = 2.50 F for this 0-5 g letter



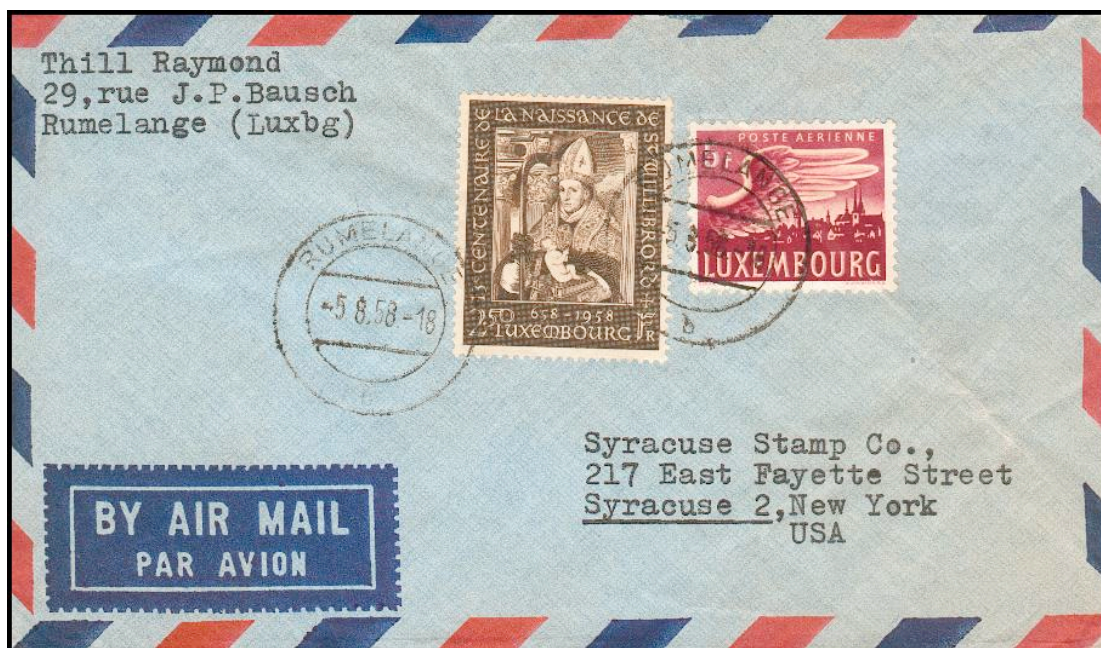
1.8.1957 Luxembourg-Ville to Toronto, Ontario, Canada

3.80 F = 0.80 F (printed matter, 1st weight class) + 3.00 F (airmail fee, 1st weight class)
 Airmail fee: 2.50 F per 5 g = 3.00 F for this 0-5 g letter



17.8.1956 Luxembourg-Ville to Pleasantville, New York
 5.80 F = 0.80 F (printed matter, 1st weight class) + 5.00 F (airmail fee, 2nd weight class)
 Airmail fee: 2.50 F per 5 g = 5.00 F for this 5-10 g letter

Rate Period VIII: July 15, 1958 — September 15, 1963



5.8.1958 Rumelange to Syracuse, New York
 7.50 F = 5.00 F (letter, 1st weight class) + 2.50 F (airmail fee, 1st weight class)
 Airmail fee: 2.50 F per 5 g = 2.50 F for this 0-5 g letter



24.4.1963 Diekirch to Montreal, Quebec, Canada
 8.00 F = 5.00 F (letter, 1st weight class) + 3.00 F (airmail fee, 1st weight class)
 Airmail fee: 3.00 F per 5 g = 3.00 F for this 5 g letter



17.5.1960 Limpertsberg to Pottstown, Pennsylvania
 10.00 F = 5.00 F (letter, 1st weight class) + 5.00 F (airmail fee, 2nd weight class)
 Airmail fee: 2.50 F per 5 g = 5.00 F for this 5-10 g letter



11.1.1963 Luxembourg-Ville to Toronto, Ontario, Canada

11.00 F = 5.00 F (letter, 1st weight class) + 6.00 F (airmail fee, 2nd weight class)

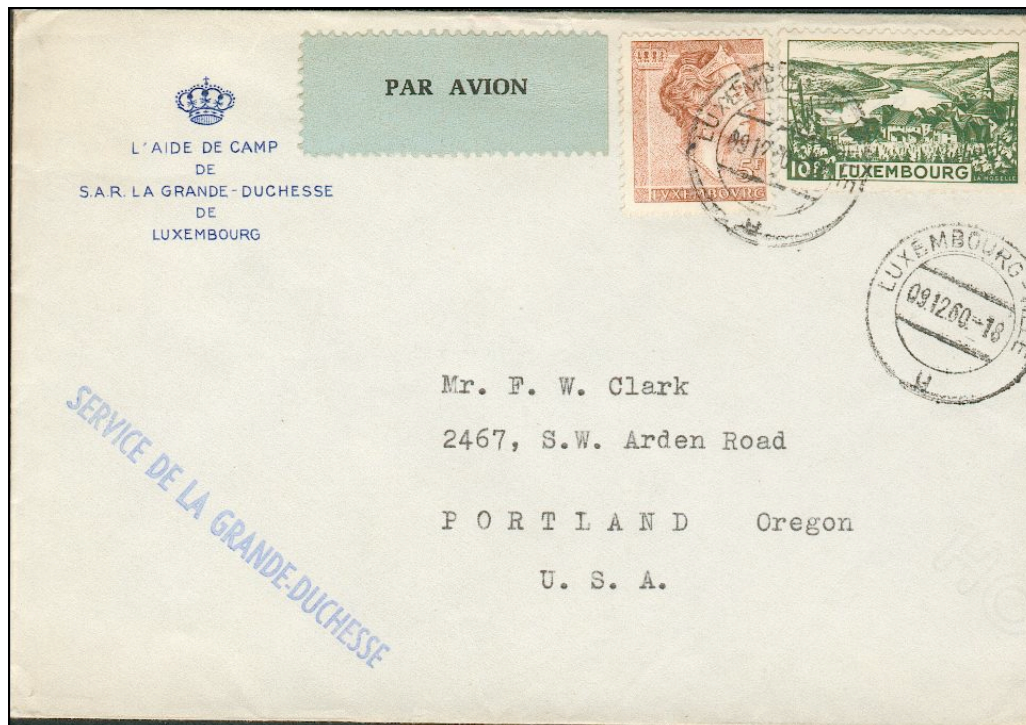
Airmail fee: 3.00 F per 5 g = 6.00 F for this 5-10 g letter



23.10.1958 Luxembourg-Ville to Whittier, California

12.50 F = 5.00 F (letter, 1st weight class) + 7.50 F (airmail fee, 3rd weight class)

Airmail fee: 2.50 F per 5 g = 7.50 F for this 10-15 g letter



9.12.1960 Luxembourg-Ville to Portland, Oregon

15.00 F = 5.00 F (letter, 1st weight class) + 10.00 F (airmail fee, 4th weight class)

Airmail fee: 2.50 F per 5 g = 10.00 F for this 15-20 g letter

Note: Letter sent by the Aide de Camp of Grand Duchess Charlotte.



24.4.1961 Esch-sur-Alzette to New York, New York

16.00 F = 5.00 F (letter, 1st weight class) + 6.00 F (registration) + 5.00 F (airmail fee, 2nd weight class)

Airmail fee: 2.50 F per 5 g = 5.00 F for this 7 g letter

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