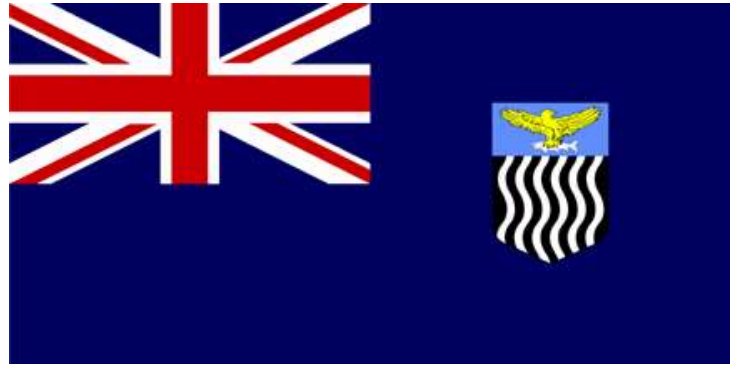


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Copper-bottomed Protectorate

Our occasional “village” series turns to the Copperbelt of Northern Rhodesia. As late as 1924, the Colonial Office took over control from the British South Africa Company and, in the year of the Jubilee, the territory’s capital was moved from Livingstone, (named after the missionary/explorer), to Lusaka to be closer to the economic heartland of the copper belt.



Livingstone

From the old capital comes this registered cover to the USA, somewhat overpaying the 4d registration and 3d foreign rate.

Posted Livingstone (29 Jun 35) with back stamps of New York (7.30) and Palo Alto. (Aug 3).

Lusaka

From the new capital is this airmail cover to Dublin, bearing the 6d value, (which was the half ounce airmail rate to the Irish Free State), tied by a Lusaka double ring circular date stamp for 16 Mar 36.





Ndola

Second largest city and capital of the Copperbelt Province, Ndola was founded in 1904 by J. E. Stephenson. Here the 3d pays the 1st ounce foreign rate for a timber merchant's cover to New York, cancelled Ndola 1 Jul 35.

Fort Jameson

From North Eastern Rhodesia's capital, Fort Jameson, comes this philatelic airmail cover to London, dated 6 Nov 35, with the back stamp of Lusaka of four days later.



Broken Hill

Largest of the country's mines, (named after one similar in New South Wales), and rail HQ, Broken Hill is the origin of this airmail cover to France, bearing 11d postage, (the ½ oz air rate to continental Europe), and a Paris back stamp of the same day.

Fort Rosebery

Another philatelic airmail cover to U.K., this time from Fort Rosebery in the Luapula valley and capital of the province.





Tailpiece

Of unclear origin but from a Franciscan Order mission, this cover to Dublin bears the 2d empire and Irish Free State rate.



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