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(Formerly)

SUBJECT :

CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO MAILS.

8/54

136

TO BE B.U. FOR SIX MONTHLY MAIL SCHEDULE FOR WEST

CONNECTED FILES.

NUMBER AND YEAR.

545

Buf.

Y.E.

Letter and Parcel Mail.

The arrangement at present (which Postal Staff don't like very much) is that they do a reasonable amount of overtime to try and clear the mail - particularly letters and papers - and later get time off in lieu.

2. This "time off" is something of a delusion especially for the accounts branch who help with the sorting, since we are so short staffed there that they can never be spared.

3. This last weekend all staff were working till 5 p.m. Saturday, sorting letters and papers and getting the Camp letters and papers prepared. They made a start on the parcels but could not have finished them without working through Sunday and possibly Bank Holiday Monday morning which I consider unreasonable. In actual fact the Postmaster worked himself Sunday and Monday.

4. Personally I see no reason why people should not wait for their parcels - as they have to in U.K. - but S.P/T and I feel that as,

(a) There is so much agitation and criticism and

(b) A rapid parcel turnover is desirable to minimize the chance of theft,

and therefore we should arrange to have the mail cleared straight away.

5. I am very opposed to overtime for P. & T. P.E. staff as it opens the door to similar claims from all other departments and S.P/T and I recommend that additional part time workers are recruited to help clear the mail. This, I hope, will prove a satisfactory solution.

6. It should be noted in connexion with criticism that the Post Office service is deteriorating that the volume of mail, particularly parcel, has increased enormously in recent years. The reasons are

(a) High traders' charges and increased use of Mail Order Houses and

(b) The traders themselves get out goods by parcel mail since the freight rates are so high that the difference is negligible, there is less chance of pilfering in Montevideo and there is no chance of Fiteroy failing to collect the freight as they are bound to carry mails.

3/8

P.O.

546 We spoke. PC. arrange for special staff on
occasions when it is necessary. It is not necessary
for Stanley parcels unless desirable from security point
of view, but is necessary if delay would mean
camp parcels waiting a long time for another opportunity

RM

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COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE
5 - AUG 1954
FALKLAND ISLANDS

DARWIN HARBOUR.
FALKLAND ISLANDS.
3rd. August. 1954.

547

The Colonial Secretary,
Secretariat.
STANLEY.

Dear Sir,

I am very disappointed to find that the Parcel mail which arrived in Stanley last Thursday evening could not be sorted in time to be sent out by "Fitzroy" which left Stanley at 11 a.m. on Monday.

(10.30 AM)
(2nd sorting)

I further know that the Parcels could quite easily have been got ready had the Post Office Staff worked over the week-end. That they did not do so is, I understand, because Overtime rates are not paid in this department.

I therefore suggest that the question of mail sorting and the Post Office Staff in general be discussed at the next meeting of Executive Council. The public have complained too long about this Department and it would be as well to enquire into it.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

L. G. Gibbs

Reply at 550

Bof

Att. as p. dealing with outside workers for mail pl.

201 6/8

A.C.S.

Pl. see 145 + 146 in 1220/A att.

SM
2/8.

now 548 herein
K.I.V. 146 in 1220/A.

Id. Gb. to keep the story on one file, may we pl. refile 145 + 146 herein.

yes + no. early
7/8

548

Y.E.

(547)

I assume Mr G's moan about pencil working will be cease when he hears about our new arrangement.

- 2) With regard for his request for a general debate on the P & T Dept. I suggest that before Mr G's grants permission (See 11 Royal Instructions) Mr G be asked to give further details of the complaints so that answers can be prepared & if necessary Mr G summoned to attend the meeting.

P.C. tell him about the arrangements & ask if there's any other point he wishes to bring before X6

9/8

M.H.

10th August, 54.

To: Superintendent Posts & Telegraphs,

From: The Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

Mail Sorting.

I am directed to state that you should be guided generally by the following considerations when organizing the sorting of mails:-

It is desirable for all mail to be sorted and made ready for collection as soon as it arrives and priority should be accorded to letter and paper mail. It is not necessary to sort parcels immediately unless an opportunity for carriage to Camp stations is likely to be missed or unless a long delay over a weekend makes prompt clearance desirable from a security point of view.

The Posts and Telegraphs staff are expected to work a reasonable amount of overtime but if quantity of mail is beyond their capabilities you are authorized to engage part-time staff to help with the sorting.

2. I am to request that you will furnish your recommendations concerning the rate of pay for part-time staff and then discuss the matter further.

*See 160
1220/A*

Reply at 556

(Sgd) C. Campbell

Colonial Secretary.

11th August, 54.

Sir,

547.

I am directed to refer to your letter of the 3rd of August, 1954, on the subject of parcel sorting and to state that His Excellency has now approved the engagement of additional part-time sorters on the occasions when a delay in the delivery of Camp parcels and other mail is likely to occur.

2. In view of the foregoing I am to enquire whether there are any other specific complaints against the Posts and Telegraphs Department which you wish to bring before Executive Council.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) G. Campbell

Reply at ⁵⁶⁶~~552~~

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

The Hon. Mr. T.A. Gilruth, J.P.,
DARWIN.

BU 25/8

Page 551 ~~is~~ transferred
to 0015/A/III - Central Film
Library.



BRITISH EMBASSY,
MONTEVIDEO.

July 27, 1954.

Dear Campbell,

We have been told by the Foreign Office that we can no longer send by our non-confidential bag to the Foreign Office material you send to us for onward transmission, on the grounds that the expense of transit puts an unjustifiable burden on the Foreign Office budget.

The Foreign Office have been in touch with the Colonial Office who see no reason why this non-confidential material should not be sent by air freight or air mail direct as in the case of the Colonial Office mail to you.

Could you therefore in the future have your non-confidential material sent direct as air freight and cease to use us as an intermediary? Possibly your agents in Montevideo could take charge of its onward transmission.

Yours sincerely,

G. Adams

*SF.
Acf*

*Do you
see any objection or
difficulty? Q
16/8*

Colin Campbell, Esq.,
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Port Stanley,
Falkland Islands.

S/F

We spoke - you agree to suggestion
made, pt.?

Wd 16/8

A.C.S

I see no objection and will in future mark
classified mail over "C.O. Bag - Air Mail". I
will send out non-classified mail through
the P.O. via the Secretariat.

Wd
17/8/54.

Office
to note pt. Classified mail through
Chancery as usual. Non-conf to both
office ^{marked} ~~L~~ air or surface. Wd 17/8

A.C.S.

Noted Jhm

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hds

" T.Y. W. 18/8/54.

14/12
55
GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICEFALKLAND ISLANDSSENT

Number

Office of Origin

Words

Handed In at

Date

16. 8. 54

To

H.M.S.

COMMANDING OFFICER/BIGBURY BAY (AT PORT STANLEY)

HOA/C

HAVE THREE BAGS CLASSIFIED ~~XXX~~ TWO BAGS ORDINARY MAIL AND PARCEL LETTERS
FOR YOU STOP GRATEFUL COLLECT.

SECRETARY

Time

Mail at
551-553

DECODE.

555

TELEGRAM.

From The Admin. Officer, South Georgia.

To The Colonial Secretary

Despatched : 19th August, 1954 Time 1200

Received : 19th August, 1954 Time : 1430

No 155. We have been informed that HARPON will
leave Montevideo 8th/9th September.

ADMIN. OFFICER.

P. M.
Above for info.
for C.D.
23/8/54

Seen. Thank you
C. M.
24/8/54

Memorandum.

17th August, 1954.



To The Honourable Colonial Secretary, Stanley.

From Superintendent P & T Dept, Stanley.

Subject. Mail sorting.

549

With reference to your Memorandum 0604/IV of the 10th August 1954 on the subject of Mail sorting, I beg to say that arrangements for the handling of mails have been noted and the Postmaster advised.

2. When mails are too large for the P.O. staff to handle in a reasonable time, I recommend for your approval that we arrange with the P.W.D. for two or more men to assist and that normal hourly rates of pay, with overtime if and when this is necessary, be paid to them.

The pay would be at 1/8 per hour plus 8d per C.O.L.D. for normal hours. If overtime is worked on normal days this will amount to 1/8 + 10d + 8d per hour and for Sundays the pay will be 1/8 x 2 + 8d per hour.

I am not able to say what people will be available from the P.W.D. but the O i/c can be approached to avoid getting persons who would not be suitable.

3. You wish to discuss further Pl.?.

A. Mercer
S.P.T
17.8.54.

SPT
Above suggestion approved - if you cannot get suitable men from P.W.D. we must think again. Harry Bonner & Leonard seem possible candidates. See return etc of above for my records. *18/8*

Am C.S.
Thank you. I will arrange with O.I.C P.W.D.

AM. SPT
23. 8. 54



PM also informed, on *Am C.S.*'s instructions, that he may employ other workers outside Govt. (female or male) at 4/- per hour. *W.F. 4/12/54.*
Double time rates

551.

ACS

P. 551 Neither the school nor Mr. Juhlendorff
can produce receipts. School says that news reels
go straight to Mr. Hardy and I expect receipts
have been mislaid. Tell CAT that they most
certainly have been received and we will be more
careful in future?

W.D. Perry
27/8/54

Please Miss P.
was to transfer 551
to film file?

W.D. Perry
27/8/54

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

RECEIVED

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558

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
18	ROY COVE	46	1100	24.8.54

To

COLONIAL SECRETARY STANLEY

IN VIEW INABILITY AIR SERVICE TO CARRY PASSENGERS UNTIL NEXT MONTH
 CAN PHILOMEL BRING SIX ROYCOVE PASSENGERS NOW WAITING TO FLY AS
 FAR AS HILLCOVE THIS WEEK STOP WOULD APPRECIATE CONSIDERATION IN
 VIEW DELAY FOR THESE PEOPLE WITH NO OTHER MEANS OF TRANSPORT

Acf Check that Philomel cannot do
 this & see if Protector can 1 for how much.

MILLER

See ~~557~~ 560 24/8

me

SJS

NAVAL MESSAGE.

559

For use in
Signal
Department
only

20 Roybove 34 was 10.50 28/54

Originators Instructions
(Indication of Priority,
Intercept Group, etc.)

Codress/Plaindress

No. of
Groups

TO: Colonial Secretary Stanley

FROM:

558

A C C R O S S	My	telegram	24th	re	Philomel	5
	I	would	remind	you	also	10
	that	paper	and	parcel	mail	15
	or	UK	have	been	in	20
	Post	Office	12	days	with	25
W R I T E	no	advice	of	when	delivery	30
						35
				Miller		40
			Reply	560		45
						50

System

P/L Code or Cypher

Time of
Receipt Despatch

Operator

P.O.O.W.

Date

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

560

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				25.8.54
To				
MILLER ROY COVE				HOA/C

REGRET PHOENIX UNABLE UNDERTAKE TRANSPORTATION SIX PASSENGERS STOP
 BEST OPPORTUNITY WILL BE BY AIR NEXT WEEK STOP WARSHIP IS HOWEVER
 VISITING PORT STEPHENS MONDAY AND AM ASKING CAPTAIN IF HE CAN TRANSPORT
 SUCH WESTERS AS WISH TO GO PORT STEPHENS FOX BAY OR PORT HOWARD STOP
 UNDERSTAND WHITNEY AND FAMILY DEFINITELY PREPARED TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY
 IF OFFERED.

SECRETARY

Time

CC/BU

*See 558-559 BU 26/8
 4 562*

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

561

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				26.5.54

To

ALL VESSELS (EXCEPT THOSE IN ITINERARY)

RD/C

WARSHIP'S ITINERARY PORT STEPHENS FOX BAY AND PORT HOWARD STOP GRATEFUL YOU ADVISE
ME EARLY WHETHER YOU WOULD LIKE PAPER AND PARCEL MAIL CARRIED AND WHERE IT SHOULD
BE LANDED.

SECRETARY

Replies 562 - 565

Time

WH/SM

DECODE.

562

TELEGRAM.

From Miller, Roy Cove.

To The Colonial Secretary

Despatched : 27th August, 19 54 *Time* 0900

Received : 27th August, 19 54 *Time* : 1200

560

Yours 25th. Many thanks having paper mail
landed Fox Bay by warship Whitney probably
flying direct 27th.

MILLER.

P.M.informed.
(Intld)W.H.
27/8

563

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From Westers, Fox Bay

To The Colonial Secretary

Despatched : 27th August, 19 54 *Time* 0900

Received : 27th August, 19 54 *Time* : 1200

561

Yours 26th thank you. Following to be landed
Fox Bay. Papers only for Hill Cove and Roy
Cove. Papers and parcels for Chartres.

WESTERS.

P.M. knows.
(Intld)W.H.
27/8

P/L.
SM

564

Charters all mail to Fox Bay

Roy leave papers only to Fox Bay

Weddell New + Beaver papers parcels
to Love Stephens

PM informant

Plen hold these
(Somebody will say they
were not PLB)

DECODE.

565

TELEGRAM.

From Manager, Pebble Islands.

To The Colonial Secretary.

Despatched : 27th August, 19 54 *Time* 1600

Received : 28th August, 19 54 *Time* : 0845

Letters and parcels to Port Howard please.

MANAGER.

0604 HV

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

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Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
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31.8.54

To

ADMIN. OFFICER, SOUTH GEORGIA.

DEPA/C

NO 161 SIX BAGS MAIL LEFT STANLEY 29TH EN ROUTE YOURS VIA MONTEVIDEO.

SECRETARY

Time

WH/OM

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

570
567

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				31. 8. 54

To

MACSTAPLE MONTEVIDEO

HOA/C

SIX BAGS MAIL ON FITZROY ADDRESSED TO SOUTH GEORGIA STOP GRATEFUL YOU
ARRANGE COLLECTION AND FORWARD BY HARPON EARLY SEPTEMBER VOYAGE.

SECRETARY

Time

Kiv bu. on 550.

WH/BM

568

No. _____

MEMORANDUM.

It is requested that, in any reference to this memorandum the above number and date should be quoted.

8th September 19 54

To:- Hon. Colonial Secretary

From:- Colonial Treasurer

Stanley

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :- Official Mail for Overseas.

It is the practice for Departments to hand official mail into the Post Office and for the Post Office to affix stamps to letters for overseas and bill the Departments at six monthly intervals, thus causing needless work.

- 2. In my opinion the practice should cease, and Departments should themselves stamp their overseas letters. An adequate check would be provided if Heads of Departments maintained a postage book showing purchases of stamps and entered therein all letters or parcels posted showing against each the value of the stamps affixed.

J. E. Davies
Colonial Treasurer.

ACS
 P2e consult with heads of depts chiefly concerned (plus
 SF & CMO). And let me know if any difficulty
 in adopting above procedure would result. Possibly
 the question of weight? *CS*
 Spoke H.C.S.
 24/9/54

569

C. J.

Wd. you please "net" draft at bc.

W.H.B.
10/9/54

H.C.S.

I have added a para to obviate some
undesired stamping inland mail.

gh
10/9

ap
10/9

570
1838

MEMORANDUM.

No. 0604/IV.

11th September, 1954.

Circular No. 20/54.

To: All Heads of Departments,
Secretary, F.I.D.S.,
STANLEY.

From: The Colonial Secretary,
STANLEY.

*Copy to Chief Mat. Officer
with complimentary slip*

Subject: Posting of Official Mail for Overseas.

I am directed to inform you that in connexion with the posting of official surface and air mails, the following procedure will be carried out by all Departments, commencing with the next outgoing mails. All official mail will be stamped before handing over to the Post Office, and Departments are hereby authorised to purchase and maintain a supply of stamps of various denominations up to £2 in value from their Contingencies Votes.

2. Facilities for the weighing of parcels and letters will be furnished at the Post Office.

3. A Postage Book will be kept by all Departments in the following manner, showing purchase of stamps and addressees with value of stamps affixed to parcels or letters:-

	£. s. d.			Balance.		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
1.10.54. Stamps Purchased				2	0	0
6.10.54. Covers: Secretary of State (Air)	2	6		1	17	6
Crown Agents (Air)	3	1		1	14	5
Crown Agents (Surface)			10	1	13	7
Parcel Crown Agents (Surface)	8	2		1	5	5

4. This instruction applies only to mail for overseas.

Campbell
Colonial Secretary.

WH/LJH.

072
571
EXTRACT FROM LETTER FROM MR. S. MILLER TO H.C.S.
OF 8. 9. 54.

(Original filed in 0270/J/IV - F.I.G.A.S. Aircraft).

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559.
See 532?
My second telegram to you referred to mails only and there again I suggest that until that message arrived no authority had contemplated doing anything with the West mails although they had been lying in the Post Office ten days. This neglect after the very disgraceful failure of the Postal Authorities last May and June to deliver our mails, coupled with the official assurance given to Mr. K. Luxton at the June Legislative Council Meeting that such a thing would not occur again, makes camp people despair and wonder whether any person in authority in Stanley, Postal, Transport or elsewhere really has any interest at all in the effective application of the public services.

8/17
For your comment. I suspect
this is nonsense. Para 8 of
(532) appears like that.
VJG

Mr. C.S.
One position is of course that at that time we had no means of sending the mail out - the mail was out of service as well as the aircraft. Mr. Miller's ideas are wrong regarding the service. Means of transport cannot be provided at will and on each occasion of non-delivery of mails, the delay has and always must be, dependent on means of transport being available.

Para 8 of (532) is working, but at present it appears unlikely that aircraft will collect mail from the West to catch H.M. Ship leaving on 25th inst. New arrangements are in hand to collect from For Bay today, and Farms have been informed through Operator For Bay.

AW:ST
22.9.54

Call
5/10

0604 IV

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

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SENT

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed In at	Date
				20.9.54

To

COMMANDING OFFICER HMS BIGBURY BAY

HOA/C

GLAD TO KNOW IF YOU CAN CARRY A MAIL ON YOUR NEXT TRIP AND IF SO IF YOU COULD GIVE ME FIRM DEPARTURE DATE AND DESTINATION.

SECRETARY

Reply 573

Time

CG/SM

From..... Secretary

To..... ~~Commanding Officer~~ Bigbury Bay

Glad to know if you can carry a mail on your next trip and if so if you could give me some departure date and destination.

Secretary

REPLY..... Yes certainly. Sailing A.M. Monday 27th September for Montevideo. Please send mail onboard by 0900 Monday

Commanding Officer

*"Alert" arranged for by 9.00 am
mail there by 8.45*

R/T H/M P/L

TOR 1154

TOD 0900

CYS 21/9/54

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GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

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To

BRITAIN MONTEVIDEO

27.9.54

HOA/C

GRATEFUL YOU ARRANGE ALL THE FALKLANDS MAIL BE SHIPPED BIOBURY BAY
 CALLING YOURS 8 AM 1ST OCTOBER.

SECRETARY

Time

SM/SM

1311.

604/170

575

29th September,

54.

Assistant Treasurer,

From: Colonial Secretary.

STANLEY.

Posting of Official Mail for Overseas.

570 I am directed to refer to my Memorandum of 11th September, 1954,
and to inform you that owing to the large amount of airmail
transmitted by the Secretariat you are hereby authorised to furnish,
on application, vouchers in excess of £2 for the purchase of stamps.

(Sgd) C. Campbell.
Colonial Secretary.

pc

Copy to Auditor.

Confidential

576

SPT

This last mail question is causing me & probably you a lot of worry & unnecessary work and until things are going smoothly as Head of Dept. you will have to make yourself directly responsible. This will entail the closest liaison with the Harbour Dept. to the extent of finding out where the plane is going if there is mail waiting.

2) Another aspect is the Fitzroy. Our obligation is to get it to Port Bay. When Fitzroy is going there instead of workers being asked if they want their mail they should be told that mail is being sent to Port Bay by Fitzroy unless you hear to the contrary.

HCS.

I spoke with Head of Harbour & Aviation Dept and information on sailings & flights by the Dept will be made available to P & T each day.

2. This will be done in future.

3. Royal's mail is now awaiting the plane for the West flight, since Saturday. There was too much wind on Saturday and Monday and today conditions ~~remained~~ remain unfit.

P/A. on file

AM. SPT

5.10.5

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GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

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FALKLAND ISLANDS

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Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
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23.10.54

To

BRITAIN MONTEVIDEO

HOA/C

GRATEFUL YOU ENSURE ALL FALKLANDS MAIL SHIPPED BY JOHN BISCOE.

SECRETARY

Time

SM

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

578

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				25.10.54
To				
COMMANDING OFFICER HMS BIGBURY BAY				HOA/C

HAVE ONE BAG CLASSIFIED MAIL FOR YOU GRATEFUL YOU COLLECT.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

Collected 5pm 25/10/54

Time

DRM/SM

0604/IV - SMO

Memorandum.

578a

25th October, 1954.

To The Honourable
Colonial Secretary
Stanley.



From
Superintendent
Posts & Telegraphs Dept,
Stanley.

Subject. Mails.

I beg to inform you that the Auster aircraft made a flight to Darwin this morning but did not take any mail. The Post Office was not aware of the flight until the aircraft returned to Stanley.

Upon making enquiries of the Communications Dept, I was told that the aircraft left the hangar before the Post Office was opened and in any case it was not possible to make contact with the office because the telephone was out of order and has been out of order since Friday last.

For your information however, I would like to advise you that the defective line was not reported to this department until 0900 this morning, Monday.

Mr Gilruth is aware of the position.

J. Kerce
Superintendent P & T Dept.

25.10.54

Q

5786

Write across

24	London	25	1048	27/10/35	55
etat B.G. = Postgen			Psy	F. I.	60
Your telegram	26TH	October	mails		65
for Falklands	were	embarked			70
and	sailed	27TH	September		75
arrived	Montevideo	13TH	October		80
no mails	embarked	Highland			85
brigade					90
	Postgen				95
					100
					105
					110
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W.C. 443521 / D8273 50m 7/51-D. & S. Ltd.-51-2568

Memorandum.

0604/TY

577

1st November, 1954.

To
The Honourable
Colonial Secretary,
Stanley.



from
Superintendent Posts & Telegraphs
Stanley.

Subject. Mails

I understand from a conversation with the F I C Shipping manager that it is usual for Macleans to advise the Uruguayan Postal authorities when the Fitzroy is expected to sail so that mails can be sent to the ship in plenty of time.

The F I C have no idea of the cause of nondelivery of the Andes mail to the Fitzroy.

580 The attached telegram is submitted for approval please.

A. Mace
S.P.T.

1.11.54.

See 580

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDSSENT

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Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				1.11.54
To				
<u>MACSTAPLE MONTEVIDEO</u>				<u>HOA/C</u>

PLEASE ADVISE WHY MAIL ARRIVING MONTEVIDEO BY ANDES ON 13TH OCTOBER
1954 WAS NOT SHIPPED TO STANLEY BY THE LAST FITZROY.

SECRETARY

Reply 581

Time

CC/SM

060417

581

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From Macstaple, Montevideo.

To The Colonial Secretary.

Despatched : 4.11.54 19 Time : 1629

Received : 5.11.54 19 Time : 1430

580

Your telegram 2nd. All Mail shipped FITZROY. Post Office advise no mail now pending for Falklands.

Macstaple.

P.M. informed. He is again telegraphing P.M. Gen. who had informed him that mail had been despatched per ANDES arriving Montevideo 13.10.54.

P.M. Gen replies to effect that mail was not despatched by ANDES, but held for SOUTHERN GARDEN direct shipment. S.G. left 21.10.54.

P.M. telegraphed South Georgia for SOUTHERN GARDEN'S movements.

SOUTH GEORGIA reports SOUTHERN GARDEN due Aruba about 12.11.54 and thence direct to South Georgia arriving about 7.12.54.

P.M. telegraphing P.M.G. to ask why mail was put on SOUTHERN GARDEN which is not calling at Montevideo or Falklands. Also asking P.M.G. whether it will be possible for him to divert S.G. to some S. American port to disembark mail.

KIV 578a?

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

~~247~~
582

From The Colonial Secretary

To The Admin. Officer, South Georgia.

Despatched : 3rd November, 19 54 Time : 1115

Received : 19 .. Time :

No 193. Salvesen due leave Montevideo 8th December arriving yours after visiting here about 17th December.

Would it be a convenience if you arranged for South Georgia airmail to be routed to Montevideo and if I asked him to collect it query. I suggest that paper and parcel mail should not be considered
(a) owing to limited space in catcher and
(b) short time available to make arrangements but would be glad of your views.

SECRETARY

Reply ~~247~~ 583

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DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

~~583~~
583

From The Admin. Officer, South Georgia.

To The Colonial Secretary

Despatched : 5th November, 19 54 Time : 1130
Received : 5th November, 19 54 Time : 1415

583 ~~583~~

No 189. Your telegram No 193. Several weeks ago I advised all Companies to direct mail via Stanley and I should be grateful if you ask Salvesen to collect. I believe Manager Leith has already mentioned it to him.

2. I do not think amount of paper and parcel mail will be overwhelming and if included it would be very much appreciated by Companies.

B.W. 1/12

ADMIN. OFFICER.

KIV 581 + 578a

GTC
SM

5830

Write across

108	SK3 F London 28	1124 6/11	55
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Your telegram	5H		70
november regret mails			75
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21st october =			105
Your letter of 10/10. Postgen			110
Grateful to know reason why			115
mails for Tokelaud Islands embarked			120
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Standard up or Standard but direct			130
to S.G. via Oruba. What is			135
possibility of you directing Southern			140
to up.			145
			150

See 5836

W. 143521 / D8273 50m. 7/51-B & S. Ltd. - 51-2668

224

Ps, etc

56.

1000

19/11/54.

Immediata

PT

Post gen, Cent London

5836

From telegram 6th November 1954. 583a

Southern Garden due Aruba

to morrow, and then proceeds direct
South Georgia ^{from where} ~~whose~~ Falkland Islands
mail can not be brought
till January ☉ this means Colony
will miss Christmas parcel mail ☉ ^{STOR}

~~Also Grateful you make~~

pleas to know if you can rectify
the position ⁵⁰ either by transshipping
mail Aruba for onward carriage
to some port on east coast of
South America at which ~~port~~
ships call en route Montevideo
or by diverting Southern Garden
to ~~so~~ ~~through~~ to suitable port ☉

In either case mail would have
to connect Pitagor leaving Montevideo
30th ~~December~~ November.

POSTGEN.

see 583c

583c

Write across

204 ZBA 29 1700 9/10/32 55

abt Postmaster Psy 60

Southern Garden Dred at 65

Aruba in about two days 70

then proceeding Direct 75

to South Georgia where she 80

will arrive on the 7th December 85

approximately Regards 90

Deputy Postmaster 95

See 583b

WT. 443521/D8273 50m. 7/51-D. & S. Ltd.-51-2668

31 SK15 London ²⁴ — 10/14/54 90

Etab = Postgen By = ~~SS3d~~ 95

Your telegram 11th November about 100

mail on Southern Garden Christmas 105

mails not affected as being 110

conveyed by a/cas sailing 115

13th November = 120

Postgen 125

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WT 143521 D9273 50m 7/51-D. N.S. 1rd-51-2663

GPO

Lockyer, Chis. London.

SSE

~~You tel (attached) many doubts
 You tel (attached) ^{10/11/54} to clarify
 situation please you confirm
 there is no rpt no Falkland Islands
 mail on Southern Garden ^{and she is} ~~which is~~
 only carrying South Georgia mail.~~

POST OFFICE

DECODE.

TELEGRAM SENT.

584

From SECRETARY OF STATE to GOVERNOR

Despatched : 18.11.54 Time : 2040 Received : 19.11.54 Time : 0845

No 196. Owing to change made since vessel sailed "SOUTHERN GARDEN" will not call at Falkland Islands as originally programmed and Post Office mail carried for Port Stanley will be off loaded at South Georgia where vessel is due 5th December.

2. G.P.O. ask if arrangements can be made for mail to be conveyed to Port Stanley by "JOHN BISCOE" which they understand is due South Georgia before Christmas.

3. Grateful early reply.

SECRETARY OF STATE

Reply 585

DECODE.

585

TELEGRAM SENT.

From GOVERNOR to SECRETARY OF STATE

Despatched: 19.11.54 Time: 1530 Received: Time:

584

No 291. Your telegram No 196. Biscoe will not be visiting South Georgia before Christmas but if SOUTHERN GARDEN keeps to schedule it should be possible for warship to collect mail as she is due visit there 2nd to 7th December approximately. Grateful early information number of Colony bags and type of mail on board.

2. Am most surprised to hear SOUTHERN GARDEN ever contemplated calling Falkland Islands and would be glad to know whether owners therefore responsible for this muddle or whether G.P.O. misinterpreted vessel's programme.

GOVERNOR'S DEPUTY

Reply 589

Cypher
CC/SM

Memo for

KIVBU 583

Confidential

186

SP/1

Captain Vernon Bey is concerned that a post office notice mentioned that the warship was calling at Reception - Sydney.

In future P.M. should merely say 'mail for such & such a place is closing on such & such a day.'

Everyone in Stanley will know that the warship is taking it but the rest of the world won't.

H.C.S.

18/11/54

The mail notice was broadcast over the landlines only, but instructions as above have been issued now.

Att. 5/1
19. 11. 54

[Signature]

mail file

DECODE.

581

TELEGRAM.

From The Colonial Secretary.....

To The Admin. Officer, South Georgia.

Despatched : 22nd November, 19 54 Time : 1400

Received : 19.. Time :

No 210. Mails. After several contradictory reports G.P.O. now admit there is some Colony mail on SOUTHERN GARDEN giving reason that vessel originally intended call Stanley en route yours. I have queried this as improbable but would be glad to know Manager Leith's views.

I am also seeking information regarding number and type of Colony bags carried. If she arrives on December 5th as scheduled Governor should be able collect.

SECRETARY

See 591

Bu 28/11

588

PUBLIC NOTICE.

Mails.

After a number of conflicting reports it has now been established that there is a quantity of Colony mail on board the "Southern Garden" which is sailing direct to South Georgia and which arrives there on the 5th of December.

The number of bags involved are 4 registered 34 ordinary letter and 295 parcel.

It is however expected that it will be possible to deliver this mail to the Colony before Christmas.

The cause of this misdirection is not yet known and is still under investigation in England.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
STANLEY.

24th November, 1954.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM SENT.

589

From SECRETARY OF STATE to GOVERNOR

Despatched: 23.11.54 Time: 1215 Received: 23.11.54 Time: 1445

585

RESTRICTED. No 201. Your telegram No 291. Mails for Port Stanley consist of 4 bags registered and 34 bags ordinary letter mail and 295 bags parcel mail.

2. Circumstances in which mail was despatched SOUTHERN GARDEN is being investigated and I will advise result.

SECRETARY OF STATE

H.C.S.

P.M. informed pl.
(Intld)W.H.
23/11

See 606

DECODE.

590

TELEGRAM.

From The Colonial Secretary

To H. E. the Governor, R. R. S. John Biscoe

Despatched : 24th November, 1954 Time : 1500

Received : 19.. Time :

After various contradictory reports G.P.O. now confirm that there are 4 registered 34 ordinary letter and 295 parcel bags of mail on SOUTHERN GARDEN sailing direct South Georgia and due there 5th December. Circumstances of muddle are still under investigation.

2. Very grateful if you could collect despite possible storage difficulty on board.

3. Have instructed Magistrate inform me immediately if SOUTHERN GARDEN likely to be delayed.

SECRETARY

See 594

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

591

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				24.11.54

To

ADMIN. OFFICER, SOUTH GEORGIA

DEPA/C

587

NO 213 MY TELEGRAM 210 MAILS STOP NUMBER OF COLONY BAGS INVOLVED IS FOUR REGISTERED THIRTYFOUR ORDINARY LETTER AND TWOHUNDRED AND NINETY FIVE PARCEL STOP CIRCUMSTANCES OF MIDDLE STILL UNDER INVESTIGATION STOP PLEASE INFORM ME IMMEDIATELY IF SOUTHERN GARDEN'S ARRIVAL DATE IS DELAYED STOP NEWPARA 2 WOULD ADVISING MANAGER LEITH OF THE POSITION HELP IN ANY WAY TO ENSURE AGAINST LATE ARRIVAL OF VESSEL QUERY

SECRETARY

Time

Reply 593

CC/SM

DECODE.

592

TELEGRAM.

From The Colonial Secretary

To The Admin. Officer, South Georgia.

Despatched : 24th November, 19 54 Time : 1515

Received : 19.. Time :

No 214. CONFIDENTIAL. Colony mail on SOUTHERN GARDEN. Please ascertain from Manager Leath and advise me as soon as possible

- (A) If company would consider diverting vessel to Stanley to deliver mail and
- (B) If so what would be the cost of diversion.

2. Please emphasize that this is only an enquiry and not repeat not a request.

SECRETARY

Reply 593

DECODE.

593

TELEGRAM.

From The Admin. Officer, South Georgia.

To The Colonial Secretary

Despatched : 25th November, 1954 Time : 1230

Received : 25th November, 1954 Time : 1430

591

No 206. Your No 213. ETA SOUTHERN GARDEN at present given as 5/6th so it should be possible to collect. Your No 214. Manager Leith is coming to Grytviken tomorrow and we will discuss your enquiry.

592

ADMIN. OFFICER.

(Intld)C.C.

DECODE.

594

TELEGRAM.

From Governor's Deputy

To Captain. H.M.S. VERYAN BAY

Despatched : 26th November, 1954 Time : 1530

Received : 19.. Time :

590

For Governor begins. My telegram 24th November.

Colony mail on SOUTHERN GARDEN. To enable me
plan PHILOMEL's special Christmas mail trip round
Camp grateful confirmation that Captain can accommodate
all SOUTHERN GARDEN mail on board. Ends.

GOVERNOR'S DEPUTY

See reply 597

DECODE.

595

TELEGRAM.

From The Admin. Officer, South Georgia.

To The Colonial Secretary

Despatched : 26th November, 19 54 Time : 2200

Received : 27th November, 19 54 Time : 0845

587

593

No 207. Your telegram No 210. My telegram No 206.

Manager Leith does not think it possible reroute SOUTHERN GARDEN as she is urgently required Leith Harbour to resupply factory ships. Galvesen Head Office would have to make final decision so may I suggest you contact them direct if you condiser rerouting necessary.

ADMIN. OFFICER.

B. U. F.
(Intld)W. H.

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

596

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				27.11.54
To				
SALVESEN LEITH EDINBURGH				HOA/C

THERE IS QUANTITY OF COLONY MAIL WRONGLY ROUTED ON SOUTHERN GARDEN STOP I HOPE TO COLLECT SOUTH GEORGIA BEFORE CHRISTMAS BUT IF SOMETHING TRANSPIRES IN NEXT FEW DAYS TO MAKE THIS IMPOSSIBLE GLAD TO KNOW BRACKET a BRACKET ^{IF} OF YOU WOULD CONSIDER DIVERTING SOUTHERN GARDEN HERE FIRST AND BRACKET B BRACKET IF SO WHAT WOULD BE THE COST OF DIVERSION STOP MUST EMPHASIZE THIS IS ONLY AN ENQUIRY NOT A REQUEST.

Time

GOVERNOR'S DEPUTY

Bel 17/12

as/au

DECODE.

597

TELEGRAM.

From GOVERNOR ON BOARD H.M.S. VERYAN HAY

To GOVERNOR'S DEPUTY

Despatched : 27/11/54 19 Time : 1505z
Received : 29/11/54 19 Time : 0900

594

Restricted. For Governor's Deputy, Stanley. Your telegram 28th November "Southern Garden" mail. Captain hopes to accommodate all mail and is willing to await Southern Garden 5th December. He is anxious to despatch mail by "Fitzroy" 9th December this should be all right but in case unforeseen delay he may ask "Fitzroy" to postpone sailing if only a matter of hours is involved.

Naval Cypher '15': RMG

PA

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TELEGRAM.

598

From **TMM** Salvesen, Leith.

To **The Colonial Secretary**

Despatched : 29th November, 19 54 Time : 1640

Received : 30th November, 19 54 Time : 0845

See
M.P. 3/5/48/II

Telegraph confirmation that Governor will be in Stanley on my intended arrival December 12th or 13th.

See
M.P. 0101

Would greatly appreciate opportunity study any correspondence re New Island whaling station during period our operations there and especially our Managers annual report of catch etc. as our information incomplete.

See 599

Regret unable consider diversion SOUTHERN GARDEN as carrying crew for floating factory expeditions.

SALVESEN

Extract to relevant files.
(Intld)W.H.
30/11.

fa.

P/L.
SM

DECODE.

0604/IV

599

TELEGRAM.

From GOVERNOR'S DEPUTY

To GOVERNOR ON BOARD H.M.S. VERYAN BAY

Despatched : 30/11/54 19 Time : 1100

Received : .. 19 Time : ..

Restricted. Exclusive for
Governor. Begins :

597

Your telegram 27th mails.

As Fitzroy docking Montevideo Company
intend sailing her as soon as possible.
This may be evening 7th but more
probably 8th December.

Suggest collection of
Southern Garden mail (even if she is
delayed a day or two) should have
priority over warship catching
Fitzroy mail as failure Colony mail
to arrive here before Christmas
would cause much local heart burning.

Will keep you informed of
Fitzroy's movements. Ends.

Naval Cypher '15': RMG

ref
Rec.
20/11

MEMORANDUM

~~599~~
600

1st December, 1954.

From: The Colonial Secretary,

To: Hon. Mr. S.C. Luxton
Hon. Mr. A.L. Hardy, B.E.M., J.P.
Hon. Mr. W.F. McWhan, M.B.E.

"Southern Garden" Mail.

With reference to the discussion on this subject at the last Standing Finance Committee meeting, the South Georgia Company, in reply to ~~an~~ enquiry, stated they were not prepared to divert the "Southern Garden" here.

See 598

Campbell

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

ⓐ P.H.
3/12

CC/VP

DECODE.

601

TELEGRAM.

From Captain, HMS VERYAN BAY

To Deputy Governor

Despatched : 5th December, 19 54 Time : 2136

Received : 6th December, 19 54 Time : 0845

Request information date sea repeat sea mail
leaving in FITZROY 17TH December arrives United
Kingdom.

Reply 603

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

602

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				7.12.54
To				
MACSTAPLE MONTEVIDEO				HOA/C

GRATEFUL YOU ARRANGE TO SHIP ALL COLONY MAIL BY WHALE CATCHER SISTRA
ARRIVING STANLEY 12/13 DECEMBER AND CHARTER VESSEL HANNE S IF LATTER
CALLS AT MONTEVIDEO.

SECRETARY

Reply 604
See 613

KIV 601

Time

WH/SM

060412

603

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE
FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.
SENT.

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				7.12.54

To

CAPTAIN HMS VERYAN BAY

HOA/C

601

YOUR TELEGRAM 5TH DECEMBER STOP FITZROY DECEMBER SAILING STILL OBSCURE
 OWING BOILER TROUBLE WHICH HAS NECESSITATED HER CANCELLING PROJECTED
 CAMP TRIP 7TH - 16TH DECEMBER AND SAVING HERSELF FOR ONE TRIP TO MONTE-
 VIDEO STOP NEWPARA 2 POSITION IS THAT SPARE BOILER TUBES HAVE BEEN
 ORDERED FROM ENGLAND STOP IF THESE ARE SHIPPED IN ALCANTARA ARRIVING
 MONTEVIDEO LATE DECEMBER FITZROY WILL SAIL FROM HERE 18TH OR 19TH
 DECEMBER STOP IF SHIPPED HIGHLAND BOAT ARRIVING MONTEVIDEO 7TH JANUARY
 FITZROY WILL NOT LEAVE UNTIL AFTER CHRISTMAS STOP NEWPARA 3 EVEN IF SHE
 MAKES EARLIER SAILING MAIL WILL NOT REACH UNITED KINGDOM UNTIL AFTER
 CHRISTMAS STOP NEWPARA 4 PLEASE INFORM GOVERNOR WHO IS ASKED TO NOTE
 THAT TUBE FITTING AND DOCKING OF FITZROY WILL TAKE SOME THREE WEEKS
 AND THAT PASSENGERS WHICH INCLUDE TREES AND FAMILY WHO WERE SCHEDULED
 TO ARRIVE COLONY 1ST JANUARY WILL NOT NOW ARRIVE UNTIL LATE JANUARY
 STOP THERE WILL HOWEVER BE INWARD MAILS BY GALSTEVEN AND BY CHARTER
 VESSELS SCHEDULED ARRIVE HERE XX 20TH DECEMBER AND 15TH JANUARY

GOVERNOR'S DEPUTY

Time

CC/SM

PAH
9/12

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

604

From Macstaple, Montevideo

To The Colonial Secretary

Despatched : 9th December, 1954 *Time* : 1700

Received : 10th December, 1954 *Time* : 1430

602

Yourtel seventh mail will be shipped HANNE S as
SISTRA already sailed.

MACSTAPLE.

See 613

P/L.
SM

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

605

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed In at	Date
				15.12.54
To CAPTAIN VERNAN BAY				HOA/C

HAVE 2 CLASSIFIED AND 2 UNCLASSIFIED MAIL ~~BE~~ FOR YOU GRATEFUL YOU COLLECT.

SECRETARY

PHONED TO R/T STATION 11th by SM

Time

DRM/SM

Del. also at 604
paid 14/12

DECODE.

TELEGRAM SENT.

606

From GOVERNOR to SECRETARY OF STATE

Despatched: 16.12.54 Time: 1215 Received: Time:

589

No 305. Your telegram No 201. Mails. Glad to know result of
investigations.

Ba 22/12 H

GOVERNOR

Reply 610

~~607~~

607

Presumably Ximney
is being used for
air mail economy?

J
16/12

That is so since we have
had to pay from the office -
we thought it free before!!

Wd
16/12

J. Y. - I would
like to see the correspondence
some time, &

J
16/12.

R.C.S.

Pl. see 568-570 herein
~~060411 att.~~

jm
18/12.

KIV607

608

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE
FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.
SENT.

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
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20.12.54

To

ADMIN. OFFICER, SOUTH GEORGIA

DEPA/C

NO 220 I HAVE BEEN TRYING TO ORGANIZE A SOUTH GEORGIA OVERSEAS MAIL TO CATCH BISCOE SAILING ABOUT MID JANUARY STOP SHE AWAITES THE ARRIVAL OF AN FIC CHARTER VESSEL WITH FIDS STORES ABOUT 14TH JANUARY BEFORE SAILING ABOUT 15TH BUT IT IS IMPROBABLE THAT CHARTER VESSEL WILL CALL AT MONTEVIDEO FOR MAILS STOP NEWPARA 2 FITZROY IS UNDERGOING REFIT AT MONTEVIDEO AND IS ALSO DUE HERE WITH MAIL SOON AFTER THE CHARTER VESSEL BUT SHE MAY OF COURSE BE DELAYED AND BISCOE COULD NOT WAIT MORE THAN A DAY OR TWO FOR HER STOP NEWPARA 3 GLAD TO KNOW WHETHER YOU HAVE ADEQUATE MAIL OPPORTUNITIES DIRECT TO SOUTH GEORGIA ABOUT THAT TIME OR IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO TAKE A CHANCE ON THE FITZROY AND BISCOE STOP MAIL COULD BE SENT TO MONTEVIDEO AND RETURNED IF IT TRANSPIRED THAT FITZROY WOULD MISS BISCOE STOP PLEASE ADVISE.

SECRETARY

Reply 609

Time

CC/SM

KIV A.C.S.'s minutes
at 607

DECODE.

609

TELEGRAM.

From The Admin. Officer, South Georgia.

To The Colonial Secretary

Despatched : 21st December, 1954 Time : 1306

Received : 22nd December, 1954 Time : 0845

608

No 214. Your No 220. Mail. As three vessels from Europe will be arriving here during January I feel that incoming mail opportunities for that month should be adequate.

2. My main concern in the near future is outgoing mail and if it could be arranged for BISCOE to connect with FITZROY with a mail from here it would be appreciated.

ADMIN. OFFICER.

A.C.S.
B.U. 1 month
(Intld)C.C.

P/L.
SM

See 624-626.
Ball.

DECODE.

610

TELEGRAM SENT.

From SECRETARY OF STATE to GOVERNOR

Despatched: 21.12.54 Time: 0105 Received: 22.12.54 Time: 0845

A

606

No 215. Your telegram No 305. Mails despatched by SOUTHERN GARDEN due to misunderstanding regarding vessel's itinerary.

2. G.P.O. tender apologies for delay and inconvenience caused.

SECRETARY OF STATE

B.U.F.
(Intld)C.C.

B

Hon Cal Sec,

C

see to see. do you see any need now to give this publicity?
@ 21/12

I do not see the necessity to give this publicity. After all the mail did arrive before Christmas - was delivered to the camp as well.

we have however had verbal complaints concerning some bags being soaked in oil.

AHK sPr
30.12.54

KIV BU 609

P/L.
SM

MEMORANDUM FROM

THE MANAGER



612

SAN CARLOS,
TOKELAU ISLANDS. (VIA MONTEVIDEO)

The Hon. The Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office.

Post Office Address: "JAYBEE, PORT - STANLEY"

CODES: Bentleys, (Complete)

20th December 1954.

Sir,

I will be glad if you will convey the personal thanks of myself and the people of this Station to His Excellency the Governor and personnel concerned for the delivery of the large paper and parcel mail per M.V. "Philomel" on the 18th inst., in good time for Christmas.

The forethought in organising this delivery was greatly appreciated by all here, and also I am sure, by all residents in Camp.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Managing Director.

Yes Be see - I will show to Hon. & S.P.

23/12

ACS To Hon. & S.P.

Handwritten initials and numbers in red ink

613

MACLEAN & STAPLEDON S.A.

CODES USED
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SCOTT'S 10TH EDITION
BENTLEY'S

CASILLA DE CORREO 193
COLON 1486-90

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS
MACSTAPLE MONTEVIDEO

TELEPHONES: 86382
85042
82940

MONTEVIDEO

(URUGUAY)

24 DEC 1954

December 9th. 1954

Sir:-

602

We beg to acknowledge receipt of your telegram of the 7th instant. reading as follows:

"GRATEFUL YOU ARRANGE TO SHIP ALL COLONY MAIL BY WHALE CATCHER SSISTRA ARRIVING STANLEY 12/13 DECEMBER AND CHARTER VESSELS HANNE S IF LATTER CALLS AT MONTEVIDEO"

604

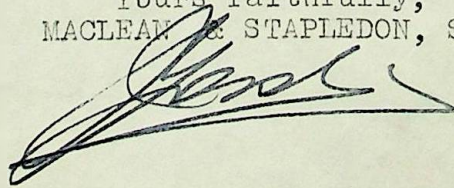
and confirm our reply of even date stating:

"YOURTEL SEVENTH MAIL WILLBE SHIPPED HANNE S AS SISTRA ALREADY SAILED"

Your telegram was received by us in the evening of the 7th inst., and the m.v. "SISTRA" sailed at 2300 on that same day, and there was therefore no time to arrange the shipping of the mail.

The m.v. "HANNE S" is expected here on the 13/14th inst., and will be sailing on the 17/18th inst. We have advised the Post Office to ship per said vessel.

Yours faithfully,
MACLEAN & STAPLEDON, S. A.



Colonial Secretary
PORT STANLEY

Q

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MACLEAN & STAPLEDON S.A.

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to 0438/IV - Broadcasting.
on the Falklands.

DECODE.

617

TELEGRAM SENT.

From SECRETARY OF STATE to GOVERNOR

Despatched: 6.1.55 Time: 1540 Received: 7.1.55 Time: 0845

610

A.

No 2. My telegram No 215. Mails complaint has been received by G.P.O. from E.G.Rowe of Estate Louis Williams who is in the U.K. that a lot of the papers received in Port Stanley via South Georgia had been ruined with oil and that some parcels had been ~~xxxx~~ in the sea and dried.

610c

2. I should be grateful for your comments by telegraph.

SECRETARY

B

To SPT for early comments and recall file in 3 days.

(Intld) J.B.

7/1

C.

S.P.T.
B.P. *replied 2/1*

Reply at 619

618

From C.S.

Several bags of mail received by HMS Sargpin Bay were damaged with oil and water but they were in the condition when landed from the Southern Gardner at South Georgia.

There were five bags of papers addressed to Mr L. Hardy, all damaged with oil, and two bags of papers addressed to the Post office were also damaged. It was impossible to read addresses on some packages.

In the parcels our records show there were three parcels of gramophone records addressed to Mallesney & Sedgwick soaked in oil and broken. There were three parcels for Mrs Ada Jennings which had been wet but the contents were examined and found to be undamaged.

Mr Hardy has not yet complained and while there may have been some papers in a damaged condition addressed to the Estate Louis Williams, there has been no complaint to this office.

S.P.T.

We spoke - would you pl. 'vet'
draft reply to 617 at G.C.

ALL. SPT

7.1.55

B
7.1.

Res.

yes that is the post. pl.

ALL 8.1.55

DECODE.

TELEGRAM SENT.

619

From GOVERNOR to SECRETARY OF STATE

Despatched: 8.1.55 Time: 1130 Received: Time:

617

No. 10. Your telegram No. 2. Mails complaint. Several bags of mail were received from Southern Garden at South Georgia showing signs of having been immersed in oil and/or water. In addition several packages of papers could not be delivered as addresses were completely obliterated. Six parcels only were damaged but on inspection the contents of three of these were found to be intact. No parcels addressed to Estate Louis Williams were damaged.

GOVERNOR'S DEFPURY.

Re.
D.
6/11

P/L WH.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From H.M.S. Veryan Bay

To The Colonial Secretary

Despatched : 18th January, 19 55 Time : 1230

Received : 18th January, 19 55 Time : 1400

Request information if charter vessel is sailing after our arrival on Wednesday and whether it is taking air mail to Montevideo or surface mail only direct to United Kingdom.

Reply 621

P/L.
SM

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

621

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				18.1.55
To commanding OFFICER, HMS VERNAN BAY				HOA/C

620

YOUR TELEGRAM RE MAILS STOP CHARTER VESSEL NOT SAILING UNTIL LATE WEDNESDAY OR EARLY THURSDAY STOP TAKING BOTH AIR MAIL AND SURFACE MAIL VIA MONTEVIDEO.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

Time

JR/SM

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

622

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				19.1.55
To COMMANDING OFFICER, VERNAN BAY				HOA/C

HAVE TEN BAGS MAIL FOR YOU SOME OF WHICH IS CLASSIFIED STOP WOULD YOU KINDLY ARRANGE COLLECTION.

SECRETARY

act.
612 pt. 25/20/1

Kix 616

Time

JB/SM

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GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

623

SENT

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed In at	Date
				20.1.55

To

BRITAIN MONTVIDEO

HCA/C

DANISH SHIP RANNE S SAILED 19TH GRATEFUL YOU MEET AND COLLECT BAG FROM PASSENGER MR BRISCOE

SECRETARY

Time

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DECODE.

624

TELEGRAM.

From The Admin. Officer, South Georgia

To The Colonial Secretary

Despatched : 18th January, 19 55 Time : 2250

Received : 19th January, 19 55 Time : 0845

No 14. Grateful to know whether next BISCOE can take a mail from us that will connect with FITZROY. Pesca are particularly interested as they have had only one mailing opportunity direct to Montevideo this season.

ADMIN. OFFICER.

A. C. S.
(Intld) C. C.

Reply at 626

S/F

Att. 625

Can you give me an
approx. date of Bisere's
arrival at S. George,
departure therefrom & arrival
here pl. In meantime
I will endeavor obtain
Ditzroy & charts vessel
sailings from F.I.C.

ACS

Bisere should arrive S.G. $\text{\textcircled{S}}$
about 15th Feb, depart 19/11.
18th and arrive Stanley 21st.
and on my case not later than
the 22nd or 23rd.

M.S.
20/1/15

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

626

FALKLAND ISLANDS

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Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				21. 1. 55.
To	ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, SOUTH GEORGIA.			H.O. Acct.

624. No. 15 YOUR TELEGRAM NO. 14 MAILS STOP BISCOE
 SCHEDULED LEAVE SOUTH GEORGIA FOR STANLEY AROUND 18TH
 FEBRUARY THIS WILL CONNECT FITZROY SAILING MONTEVIDEO
 25th/27th FEBRUARY

S.P.J. HCS. Seen Thank you
H.M.
ll. see 612

SECRETARY.

ALL SPF
25.1.55

KIV 609 ✓

W.H.S.
25/1

H.e.S. Noted
[Signature]

Re 26/1

Time

JB/VP

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

627

FALKLAND ISLANDS

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Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				8 2 55
To				
BRITAIN MONTEVIDEO				HQA/C

DANISH SHIP HANGLER S SAILED 7TH GRATEFUL YOU MEET AND COLLECT BAG FROM
PASSENGER MR WATTON

fact 8/2

SECRETARY

Time

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FALKLAND ISLANDS

628

SENT

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				18. 2. 55.
To				
BRITAIN MONTEVIDEO				(H.O. ACCOUNT)

GRATEFUL IF YOU COULD ARRANGE WITH MACEBABLE TO TRANSPORT FALKLANDS MAIL TO
 PUNTA DEL ESTE IN TIME CONNECT BURGHEAD BAY

SECRETARY

Time

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE
FALKLAND ISLANDS

629

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Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed In at	Date
				19. 2. 55.

To

COMMANDING OFFICER VERNAN BAY

(H.C. ACCOUNT)

GRATTEUL YOU ASK BURGHEAD BAY IF THEY WOULD KINDLY BRING FALKLANDS MAIL FROM URUGUAY STOP I AM ASKING CONSUL TO ARRANGE TRANSPORT OF MAIL FROM MONTEVIDEO TO PUNTA DEL ESTE.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

[Handwritten signature]

Time

JB/LJH

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

630

Number

Office of Origin

Words

Handed in at

22.2.55

To

COMMANDING OFFICER HMS VERYAN BAY

HOA/C

HAVE THREE BAGS MAIL (TWO CLASSIFIED) FOR YOU STOP GRATEFUL ARRANGE
COLLECTION.

SECRETARY

CONFIRMATORY COPY. PHONED TO R/T STATION 1100/22nd.

Pat

Time

WE/OM

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 GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

631

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				1.3.55

To

COMMANDING OFFICER HMS BURGHEAD BAY

HOA/C

HAVE FOUR PACKAGES MAIL FOR YOU INCLUDING THREE CLASSIFIED STOP
 GRATEFUL YOU ARRANGE COLLECTION.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

CONFIRMATORY COPY PHONED TO R/T STATION 1530/28th

PAH

Time

WH/SM

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

631

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				14.3.55
To COMMANDING OFFICER HMS BURGHEAD BAY				HOA/C

HAVE FIVE PACKAGES MAIL FOR YOU INCLUDING FOUR CLASSIFIED STOP
GRATEFUL ARRANGE COLLECTION.

SECRETARY

CONFIRMATORY COPY PHONED TO R/T STATION 0910/14th.

Jan
14/3

Time

SM/SM

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

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633

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				22.3.55

To

MANTAPLE MONTEVIDEO

HOA/C

HAVE 3 LBS MONTEVIDEO ABOUT END OF WEEK BY ROUTE FALKLAND ISLANDS STOP PLEASE ENSURE SHE COLLECTS COLONY MAIL AND PLEASE FORWARD ANY LETTERS ADDRESSED CAMPBELL CARE OF YOU BY THIS OPPORTUNITY STOP PLEASE ADVISE EMBASSY.

SECRETARY

Time

CG/SM

Re
-
20/3.

0604/iv

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

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634

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
45	Montevideo	12	1059	30/3/55
To	Gobernador, Stanley			

Bag for Burghead Bay despatched today on Hanne S.

Ambassador.

Re. confirm then corrected

3/3.

Q

Time

JR.

F. I. Ref: 0604/IV

635

31st March, 1955.

Dear Chancery,

It is understood that you were obliged to incur extraordinary expenditure on transport in connexion with the delivery of Colony mail to H.M.S. Burghead Bay at Punta del Este in February, and I am writing to advise you that this Government is most appreciative of your assistance in this matter and would be very willing to refund the cost of this expenditure should you so desire.

Yours ever,

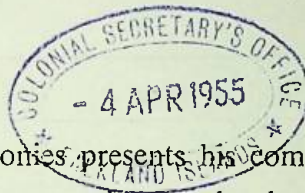
Secretariat.

The Chancery,
British Embassy,
MONTEVIDEO.

Reply at 643

CC/VP

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KIV
634
0 2/4



COCKLAND ISLANDS

The Secretary of State for the Colonies presents his compliments to the Officer Administering the Government, and has the honour to transmit, for his information, copies of Questions and Answers in Parliament as noted below.

The Church House,
Great Smith Street, S.W.1.

8/3/55

Date.	Asked by	Answered by	Subject.
XXX 2/3/55	Mr Murray	Asstn. P.M.G.	<p>637</p> <p><u>Mail From the United Kingdom</u></p>

A-171
S/L

EXTRACT FROM OFFICIAL REPORT OF
2ND MARCH, 1955.



FALKLAND ISLANDS (MAIL FROM UNITED
KINGDOM).

97. MR. MURRAY asked the Assistant Postmaster-General if he is aware of the distress among inhabitants in the Falkland Islands owing to the delay in the delivery of mail from the United Kingdom; if he is aware that although L.N.P. Machell, of 3, Lister Terrace, Crook, County Durham, wrote to friends on 6th August, 7th October, and 5th November, 1954, these mails did not arrive at Port Stanley until just before Christmas; that for over three months inhabitants of these islands had no United Kingdom mail; and if he will take steps to improve this state of affairs and thus help this isolated Community from suffering hardship.

MR. GAMMANS: The hon. Member has been good enough to send me details of this complaint, and I shall be writing to him about it very shortly. Meanwhile I can assure him that the circumstances which led to some delay in delivery of surface mail to the Falkland Islands in the autumn of last year were quite exceptional and are not likely to be repeated.

P.A.
12/4.

638

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From The Admin. Officer, South Georgia

To The Colonial Secretary

Despatched : 24th April, 19 55 Time : 1630

Received : 25th April, 19 55 Time : 0900

No 60. Companies are anxious to receive mail by last BISCOE and would like the date the FITZROY is leaving Montevideo to connect with this trip. Grateful information soon as possible.

ADMIN. OFFICER.

B. U. F.
(Intld) J. B.
25/4

Reply 639

F.C.S.

Fitzroy due to leave Montevideo.
May 16th. Sm.
25/4.

P/L.
SM

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

639

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
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25-11-55

To
 ADMIN. OFFICER, SOUTH GEORGIA DEPA/C

638

NO 63 YOUR TELEGRAM 60 FITZROY IS SCHEDULED SAIL FROM MONTEVIDEO TODAY
 25TH STOP SALVESENS HEAD OFFICE IS AWARE OF THIS AND THE BISCOE
 CONNECTION ONWARD.

SECRETARY

See 640

Time

7 30

Pa.
 25/11

640

DECODE.

No. 346.

TELEGRAM.

From The Administrative Officer, South Georgia.

To The Colonial Secretary.

Despatched : April, 26th 19 55 *Time :* 12.45.

Received : April, 26th 19 55 *Time :* 11.30.

639

No. 61. Your telegram No. 63. Companies assume there will be another opportunity grateful you advise me of dates as Head Offices of Pesca and Tonsberg await my instructions.

ADMIN. OFFICER.

P/L.
LJH.

Reply at 641

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

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FALKLAND ISLANDS

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Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				26. 4. 55.

To

ADMIN. OFFICER, SOUTH GEORGIA.

(Dep. Account)

640

No. 64 Your telegram No. 61 Mails stop As you probably know Biscoe will not now return to South Georgia stop Norsel will probably make the voyage first week in May and this is the last opportunity known here.

SECRETARY .

Time

JB/L.H.

Pa. 27.4

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

642

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				3.5.55

To

COMMANDING OFFICER HMS BURGHEAD BAY

HOA/C

HAVE FOUR BAGS AND NINETEEN COVERS MAIL FOR YOU INCLUDING SIXTEEN CLASSIFIED STOP GRATEFUL ARRANGE COLLECTION

SECRETARY

CONFIRMATORY COPY PHONED TO R/T OPERATOR 1515/2nd

Record.

Mail collected by Postman 1615/2nd.

(Post 1615)

Time

SM
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643

21 MAY 1955
9021/55 FALKLAND ISLANDS



BRITISH EMBASSY,
MONTEVIDEO.

May 6, 1955.

635

Dear Secretariat,

Thank you for your offer to refund to us the cost of transporting a large quantity of mail to Punta del Este for delivery to H.M.S. Burghead Bay last February.

We understand that Messrs. Maclean & Stapledon arranged this matter, and are pleased to inform you that no expense was incurred by this Chancery.

Yours ever,

CHANCERY.

Handwritten initials

Secretariat,

Port Stanley,

Falkland Islands.

*Yes - \$100 debited in
Maesefer A/c this mail
P.O. 23/5*

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

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644

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
5	HILL COVE	46	1115	2.7.55

To
PHONE COLONIAL SECRETARY STANLEY

UNDERSTAND FROM POSTMASTER OUR LETTER MAIL WHICH WE WANT SENT BY PLANE IS ON PENELOPE WHILE ONLY PART PAPER AND PARCEL MAIL WHICH WE WANT BY PENELOPE IS ON BOARD STOP MOST GRATEFUL IS SITUATION CAN BE RECTIFIED BEFORE PENELOPE SAILS

BLAKE

Reply at 645

Page 2 of 7

Time

3:30/4

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

645

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				4.7.55
To	BLAKE, HILL COVE FOX BAY			HOA/C

YOUR TELEGRAM 2nd JULY STOP MAILS STOP REGRET LOCAL LETTER MAIL UNDER CARGO ON PENELOPE AND MASTER UNWILLING UNLOAD TO RECOVER STOP ALL PAPER MAIL BEING SHIPPED BY PENELOPE BUT NO ROOM FOR PARCELS FROM UNITED KINGDOM STOP UNITED KINGDOM LETTER MAIL BEING HELD FOR PLANE.

SECRETARY

See 646

CONFIRMATORY COPY

PHONED W/T STATION ON 2.7.55 AT 1200

Time

JB/IR

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

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FALKLAND ISLANDS

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Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
23	Fox Bay	8	1200	3.7.55.

To

Col Sec Stanley

Thank you very much

Blake

Handwritten signature and date:
 R. B. /
 2/7

Time RRB/

DECODE.

647

TELEGRAM.

Wrong Address.
From Admiralty, BURGHEAD BAY

To The Governor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched: 7th July, 19 55 Time: 1225
Received: 7th July, 19 55 Time: 0900

Request return to Admiralty foreign mails special bags addressed H.M.S. BURGHEAD BAY by first available opportunity please.

ADMIRALTY.
062211Z

Reply at 648

See 648

P/L
IR

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

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Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				8.7.55
To	WRONG ADDRESS.			
	COMMANDING OFFICER BURGHEAD BAY			HOA/C

647
YOUR TELEGRAM 7th JULY 06221E SIX BAGS FIVE BY SURFACE AND ONE AIR MAIL
 PLUS MISCELLANEOUS MAIL BEING RETURNED VIA COLONIAL OFFICE ON MAIL WHICH
 LEAVES HERE ON 9th JULY.

SECRETARY

part 8/7

See 649

Time

JB/IR

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From C.O. BURGHEAD BAY.....

To The Colonial Secretary.....

Despatched : 9th July, 1955 Time 1600
Received : 9th July, 1955 Time : 1200

648

Many thanks for mail action but reference to telegram 7th July 2211Z not understood and not made from this ship.

C.O. BURGHEAD BAY

Reply at 649

649

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

~~11/7~~
650

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				11.7.55

To
 C.O. H.M.S. BURGHEAD BAY HOA/C

648 YOUR TELEGRAM 9th JULY STOP MY TELEGRAM 8th JULY SHOULD HAVE BEEN
 ADDRESSED TO ADMIRALTY LONDON STOP GRATEFUL YOU REDIRECT ACCORDINGLY.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

RAH
11/7

Time

JB/IR

651

SAN CARLOS SHEEP FARMING CO. LTD.

(Successors to JOHN BONNER. GEORGE BONNER & CO. LTD.)

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SAN CARLOS.

FALKLAND ISLANDS. (VIA MONTEVIDEO)

The Hon. Mr. S. G. Trees. M.V.O.
As. Colonial Secretary.
Secretariat,
Stanley.

8th August 19 55.

Reply at 652.

Carriage of letter mail by F.I.S.A.S.

Sir,

On the 2nd. inst. a package of local letters addressed to the Colonial Postmaster was despatched from here by the Beaver aircraft to Stanley.

The following day I had occasion to refer to one of the addressees by telephone who had not received my letter, but as this was within 24 hours of despatch I was not unduly surprised.

On the 6th. instant I again referred by telephone to subject matter in the letter to find it still had not been received.

This morning I ascertained from the Postmaster that the package of letters had not reached the Post Office and requested him to make enquiries as to its whereabouts. I have been advised by him this afternoon that he had just received the package of letters from here, as well as one from Teal Inlet, both of which apparently had been in the boot of the aircraft since its return to Stanley on the 2nd. instant.

It is obvious that blame could be wrongly placed on the Post Office for non-delivery of mail through incidents of this nature, and I therefore urge that in the interests of all concerned some proper provision for the carriage of letters to and from the Camp should be made between the Air Service and the Post Office.

I feel sure the Postmaster would co-operate in providing a small canvas letter bag for this purpose if arrangements could be made for its collection and delivery at the beginning and end of each flying day.

I am Sir, Your obedient servant,

File 11. S.

J. B. Hall
Managing Director.

17th August, 55.

Sir,

651. I am directed to acknowledge the receipt today of your letter of the 8th August, 1955, on the subject of the carriage of letter mail by the Falkland Islands Government Air Service, and to express regret that a package of letters addressed by you to the Colonial Postmaster was inadvertently left in the boot of the aircraft for a period of several days.

2. Immediate steps are being taken to ensure that this does not happen again and arrangements will be made for the daily collection and delivery of mail flown in and to be taken out by the aircraft.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) S.G. Trees

ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Hon. Mr. J.F. Bonner, J.P.,
SAN CARLOS.

A/S.P.T.

to see 651. This is a justified complaint but no fault of the P.O.

Pl. make suitable arrangements with the HM. to prevent re-occurrence & let me know what has been done.

J. H. P.

H.C.S.

Have arranged that P.O. ring Hangar daily at 11 am & ask them to bring any mail down to P.O. that has been collected on flights.

J.H.
26/8/55.

D.V. 28/9 - see if arrangement working satisfactorily

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDSSENT

0604/10

654

Number

Office of Origin

Words

Handed in at

Date

22.8.55

To

MACSTAPLE, MONTEVIDEO

HOA/C

SEVEN BAGS MAIL FOR SOUTH GEORGIA ON FITZROY FOR TRANSHIPMENT
TO HARPOUN OR OTHER PESCA VESSEL SCHEDULED SAIL FROM MONTEVIDEO
LATE AUGUST KRX OR EARLY SEPTEMBER STOP PLEASE ARRANGE.

SECRETARY

Time

JB/IR

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

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656

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
3	ROY COVE	28	0840	26.8.55

To

COLONIAL SECRETARY STANLEY

UNDERSTAND THERE MAY BE UK OUTWARD MAIL IN SEPTEMBER STOP IF SO CRAFTFUL POSTMASTER CAN CONFIRM APPROXIMATE DATE ALSO WHAT ARRANGEMENT POSSIBLE COLLECT WEST ~~WEST~~ MAIL

WESTERS

Wanship 12/9

Reply at 657

Time RRB/

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

650

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				30.8.55
To WESTERS, FOXBAY			HOA/C	

656

YOUR TELEGRAM 26TH STOP U.K. OUTWARD MAIL ON 12TH
 SEPTEMBER STOP WEST MAIL WILL BE COLLECTED FROM PORT NEER
 HOWARD ON 7TH SEPTEMBER.

SECRETARY

653 BU HMCs
 28/9

CONFIRMATORY COPY.

Time

PHD. W/T STATION AT 1155/29th.
 JB/IR

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From Luxton, Fox Bay

To The Colonial Secretary

Despatched : 30th August, 19 55 Time : 0900

Received : 30th August, 19 55 Time : 1100

Understand from message to westers it is proposed to collect next outward mail at Port Howard this is a most unsuitable place for most people on West and I suggest a mail collection is made at Fox Bay by aircraft as I had previously suggested to the air service.

LUXTON

P/L
IR

Reply at 659

659

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FALKLAND ISLANDS

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Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				30.8.55
To				
LUXTON FOXBAY			HOA/C	

658

YOUR TELEGRAM REGARDING OUTWARD MAIL STOP AIRCRAFT WILL CALL AT FOXBAY 10TH SEPTEMBER TO COLLECT MAILS WHICH SHOULD BE AT FOXBAY BY 9TH SEPTEMBER STOP PORT HOWARD COLLECTION STILL STANDS STOP PLEASE INFORM ALL CONCERNED,

SECRETARY

a.c.s.
 Should this go to
 PM. to note pl?
 24/3/55
 I have informed P.M.
 22/8/55

Time
 JB/IR

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

660.

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

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Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				3.9.55
To	LUXTON FOX BAY		HOA/G	

MY TELEGRAM 30TH AUGUST STOP MAILS STOP OWING UNCERTAIN
 FLYING CONDITION CONSIDERED NECESSARY TO ADVANCE U.K. MAIL
 CLOSING AT FOX Bay TO 7TH REPEAT 7TH SEPTEMBER STOP GRATEFUL
 YOU INFORM ALL CONCERNED.

SECRETARY

CONFIRMATORY COPY

P.M. informed 3/9 H.

PHONED TO W/T STATION 10/10 3/9

H.M.

WOULD YOU KINDLY ARRANGE FOR AIRCRAFT TO CALL AT FOX BAY
 ON 8TH SEPTEMBER (OR FIRST FLYING DAY AFTER) TO COLLECT MAIL
 IN TIME TO CONNECT WARSHIP LEAVING A.M. 12TH SEPTEMBER. THIS
 CANCELS PREVIOUS ARRANGEMENT.

(INTLD) 3/9 JB

fax 3/9

*copy sent to D.N.
3/9.*

Time

GRAHAM LAND

AN INTERPRETATION OF
CAPTAIN SIR HUBERT WILKINS' DISCOVERIES
FROM HIS DISPATCHES

--- discoveries

Scale of miles
0 25 50 75 100 125 150



SOCONY MOBIL OIL COMPANY, INC.
26 Broadway, New York 4, N.Y.

661



No ✓ ?

July 13, 1955

The Colonial Secretary
Port Stanley
Falkland Islands

Dear Sir:

We understand that when Sir Hubert Wilkins conducted the first Antarctic flight in history in 1929, he named a section of the area Mobiloil Bay. We are wondering if Mobiloil Bay exists under British registration.

I am enclosing a copy of a map from the April, 1929 issue of the Geographical Review which indicates Mobiloil Bay. If such a name exists, we should like to know if Christmas mail could be handled from the Falkland Islands with the Mobiloil Bay postage cancellation.

662

Any information on this subject which you can supply us will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

E. W. Tatge
E. W. Tatge

EWT:GYE
Enclosure 1

Reply at 666.

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GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

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663

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
4	ROY COVE	43	0900	9.9.55

To
 COLONIAL SECRETARY STANLEY

WE HAVE BEEN ASSURED IN THE PAST BY CIRCULAR THAT MAIL DROPS HAVE PRIORITY OVER ALL EXCEPT MEDICAL CASES AND MEMBERS ATTENDING COUNCIL MEETINGS STOP SUGGEST IT IS TIME SOMETHING WAS DONE REGARDING LETTER MAIL ~~STOP~~ ^{DROP} OF RECENT KXXX INWARD MAIL =

MILLER

Waters

*But re
 8
 9.9.*

*Mr. Miller agreed to his
 name being sent to Hill Cove*

Time

SJS / P

f

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

664

FALKLAND ISLANDSCopy ^{Sent} ~~snet~~ S.P.TSENT

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				19.9.55
To	BRITAIN MONTEVIDEO			HOA/C

MOUNTS BAY HAS SIX BAGS MAIL FOR U.K. AND FOUR FOR SOUTH AMERICA ON BOARD STOP VERY GRATEFUL YOU ARRANGE COLLECTION AND ONWARD TRANSMISSION STOP ALSO GRATEFUL YOU ARRANGE SHIPMENT BY WARSHIP OF ALL FALKLANDS MAILS.

SECRETARY

Time

JB/IR

See

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

21st September, 1955.

Gentlemen,

661

I am directed to refer to your letter of 13th July, 1955, on the subject of an Antarctic place name, and to inform you that the accepted place name for "Mobiloil Bay" is now "Mobiloil Inlet" and its geographical position is 68° 37' S, 64° 14' W. The reason for the modification of the name is that the features seen by Sir Hubert Wilkins from the air did not conform with what was actually discovered, on the ground, by British sledging parties. For instance, Crane Channel, Casey Channel and Stefansson Strait as shown on the map accompanying your letter have now been proved non-existent, and the whole of Graham Land is joined to the Antarctic continent.

2. There is not a British Post Office at Mobiloil Inlet, and therefore no postal cancellation stamp exists.

I am,

Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) J. Bound

for COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Socony Mobil Oil Company, Inc.,
26, Broadway,
New York, 4, N.Y.,
U.S.A.

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GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FARLAND ISLANDS

SENT

Copy sent to...

S/S

Date

Handed 1961

Words & no. are

Office of Origin

Number

to supply material for report

20/9.

A.C.S.

The accepted place name for "Mobiloil Bay" is now "Mobiloil Inlet" and its position is $68^{\circ} 37' S / 64^{\circ} 14' W$. The reason for the modification of the name is that the feature seen by Wilkins from the air did not conform with what was actually discovered on the ground by British sledging parties. For instance Brane Channel, Bases Channel & Stefansson Strait as shown on the map at 662 have now been proved non-existent & the whole of Esrahm Land is joined to the continent. We have no Post Office at Mobiloil Bay & it is unlikely to be re-visited.

20/9

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

667

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

Number

Office of Origin

Words

Handed in at

Date

22.9.55

To

BRITAIN MONTEVIDEO

HOA/C

664

MY TELEGRAM OF 19TH SEPTEMBER MOST GRATEFUL IF YOU WOULD
ARRANGE TO TELEGRAPH NUMBER OF BAGS MAIL SHIPPED BY WARSHIP
WHEN ~~known~~. known.

SECRETARY

Reply at 668

bu 25/9
b. 20/9

no reply - 26/9

Time

JB/IR

668

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From Lingeman, Montevideo

To Colonial Secretary

Despatched : 26th Sept., 19 55 Time : 1130

Received : 27th Sept., 19 55 Time : 1200

667 Your telegram 22nd September bags 96.

LINGEMAN

P/L
IR

27/9

Copy in case for.

669

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From C/O Mounts Bay

To Governor

Despatched :	28.9.55	19	Time : 1234
Received :	28.9.55	19	Time : 1367

ETA 1230 Thursday 29th September.

2. Request arrangements may be made to disembark following at 1330

6614 | VI

(a) 95 bags mail.

(B) 1 ton potatoes and 24 cases fruit for F.I.C. Working party required.

C/O MOUNTS BAY

Postmaster & F.I.C. shipping office informed & will arrange.

(Intld) JB

28/9

P/L
IR

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DECODE.

670

TELEGRAM.

From Miller, Fox Bay

To Colonial Secretary

Despatched : 3rd October, 19 55 Time : 0900
Received : 3rd October, 19 55 Time : 1700

Please advise urgently what arrangements being made to collect West mail for outward "Fitzroy" 7th. Suggest Chartres most central for all concerned. No announcements of letter mail drop since arrival. Regret periodical reminders re-mail in and out but if not done little seems to be affected by Stanley.

MILLER

Reply at 671
see 672,
673

P/L: KMR

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

671

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				3.10.55
To	MILLBURN	ROY COVE	H O ACCOUNT	

671

YOUR TELEGRAM 3RD AIRCRAFT WILL COLLECT MAIL FROM CHARTRES ON WEDNESDAY.

SECRETARY

CONFIRMATORY COPY
 PHD. TO R/T STATION AT 1445 ON 3/x
 (INFLD) J.B.
 3/x

Time JB/IR

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

672

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				3.10 ¹ / ₂ 55
To	WESTERS FOX BAY		H O ACCOUNT	

PLEASE HAVE YOUR U.K. MAIL AT CHARTRES TOMORROW TUESDAY NIGHT
 STOP AIRCRAFT WILL COLLECT ON WEDNESDAY.

SECRETARY

CONFIRMATORY COPY.
 Phd. to R/T Station at 1445 on 3/x.
 (Intld) J.B.
 3/x

Car

Time JB/IR

673

BERTRAND AND FELTON LIMITED.

ROY COVE,
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

The Hon.,
The Colonial Secretary,
STANLEY.

October 3rd 1955.

Reply at 681.

Sir,

I telegraphed to you this morning about collection of mail to connect with S.S. "Fitzroy" which is scheduled to leave Stanley on 7th inst.

Mr Luxton telephoned me tonight at 7.30 p.m. to say that a reply had been 'picked up' by one of Mr Clement's men who happened to have his radio switched on; fortunately he rang Mr Clement who eventually passed the gist of the message to Mr Luxton. What the actual script was I do not know and probably never will except that mails for collection had to reach The Chartres by tomorrow night.

Well that is alright as far as it goes and I appreciate the quick and effective reply but I must point out that it was only accidentally that the reply was received and a more certain way would have been per W/T message via Fox Bay where the operator always telephones the text direct. I am sorry if all this appears to be critical but you can see that the 'gist' of the answer only reached me by chance, the actual script I may or may not ever get.

As stated in my telegram, I regretted having again to telegraph you about mails, both delivery and collection, but in the case of mail after mail, almost indefinitely, if we people on the West do not make direct request, it appears to be nobody's business in Stanley to think about this West mail service.

Before the Communications Dept took over the mail service, letter mails always had priority over passengers; during the last 2-3 years Mr Huckle has seen fit to alter that though why he should have the authority to do so I do not know.

With further reference to that Department I sent the following telegram to them:-

- 29/8/55. Huckle, Stanley.- ' Mail letter drop would be very welcome chances - regards Miller.
- 16/9/55. Communications, Stanley.- ' When does Philomel do Meredith and can she carry cargo for R6y Cove. - Miller.
- 22/9/55. Communications, Stanley.- 'Would appreciate reply my tel 16th (stop) mine of Agust 29th addressed Huckle never - Miller.
- 2/10/55. Communications, Stanley.- 'Local broadcast rumours Philomel movements around this way but we have nothing definite and cannot arrange cargo orders (stop) some reply to some mail would be appreciated.- Miller.

To none of the above telegrams have I had any answer, beyond message from Mr Huckle at the end of our jetty when he landed

(over)

Reply at 678

See 532 in Vol. III. for Mail

670
671
R/S opv.
assume me
that message
had been
delivered.
If it hasn't
been read
intention
was to send
via 671.
6/x

614

here being unable to proceed any further with the plane to West Point on a medical call. Mr Huckle then said that he had not answered about the "Philomel" as he had not made any plans. That in my opinion was only part of an answer because if the plane had not had to land here I would presumably still be unanswered.

Why the Communications Dept failed to acknowledge or reply at all to my perfectly reasonable queries I do not know but it seems to me a rather hopeless situation, the discourtesy quite apart; I know Mr Huckle to be both a busy and hardworking individual, but he is not the only one and some of the rest of us can still make time for ordinary polite custom.

I have thought once or twice before of writing to you about some definite ruling over this mail question, only from experience I usually seem, over the years, to be ~~the~~ almost the only one who does so and one does not like to acquire an unfair or undesired reputation for grouching.

I am, Sir,

Yours faithfully,

Fredrick Muller

3422

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DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

675
250

From Admin. Officer, South Georgia

To Colonial Secretary

Despatched: 7th October, 19 55 Time: 1415

Received: 8th October, 19 55 Time: 0900

No. 143. Grateful you request the Trans-Continental Expedition and the International Geophysical party to ask for any Post Office mail for South Georgia at their ports of call en route South.

ADMIN. OFFICER

Reply at 679

P/L:IMR

See 679

676

TELEGRAM

RECORD

Supra

675-

Will this not be done automatically?

do you suggest
to pass on the request?

R. 11/10

HCS

your minute above

I'm afraid this issue Spelling's likely to be overlooked unless a specific request is made. Suggest Elliott be telegraphed accordingly so saving 2 telegrams.

11/10

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				11.10.55

To

MILLER, ROY COVE. BY W/T & NCT BY R/T. P¹

H O ACCOUNT

673 YOUR LETTER 3RD OCTOBER RE MAILS RECEIVED STOP QUESTION IS NOW
 UNDER CONSIDERATION STOP WILL REPLY FULLY SOON AS POSSIBLE.

SECRETARY

Time
SGT/IMR

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

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678

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				12.10.55
To	CROWN LONDON		H C ACCOUNT	

FOLLOWING FOR ELLIOTT BEGINS ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER SOUTH GEORGIA HAS REQUESTED THAT EXPEDITION AND I.G.Y. PARTIES BE ASKED TO COLLECT SOUTH GEORGIA MAIL AT PORTS EN ROUTE STOP GRATEFUL IF YOU WOULD ARRANGE ACCORDINGLY.

SECRETARY

Time GT/IMR

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

679

Number

Office of Origin

Words

Handed in at

Date

13.10.55

To

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, SOUTH GEORGIA

D E P ACCOUNT

675 NO.162. YOUR TELEGRAM NO.143 SOUTH GEORGIA MAIL STOP LONDON HAS
BEEN ASKED TO ARRANGE.

SECRETARY

See 683

Time

JB/IMR

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDSSENT

680

Number

Office of Origin

Words

Handed in at

Date

14.10.55

To

DEPUTY POSTMASTER V Q ZH O ACCOUNT

PLEASE INFORM WESTERS PLANE WILL COLLECT U.K.. MAIL FROM FOX BAY
AND CHARTRES ON MONDAY 17TH.

SECRETARY

CONFIRMATORY COPY.

PHD. W/T STATION AT 0945 ON 14/10.

Time

JB/IMR

681

0604/IV

15th October,

55.

Sir,

673

I am directed to refer to your letter of 3rd October, 1955, on the subject of mail collection from and delivery to the West and to my provisional reply by telegram dated 11th October, 1955.

2. It is regretted that, in reply to your telegram of 3rd October, 1955, about the mail leaving in the "Fitzroy" on 7th October, you received fourth-hand information. This office was assured by the R/T Operator, however, that the message had been delivered to you personally. Such was not the case.

3. As regards the mail leaving here on 19th October, 1955, in H.M.S. Mounts Bay, the necessary arrangements for collection from the West are being made and you will be advised by telegram accordingly.

4. I am to express the apologies of Government for the lack of courtesy on the part of the Communications Department in failing to reply to your telegrams of 29th August, 16th and 22nd September, and 2nd October, 1955. There is no excuse to offer but I am to say that the matter is being dealt with administratively.

5. The question of the mail service to the West is one which requires careful consideration and thought. Nothing will be achieved by making promises which, for various reasons, cannot be fulfilled. I am to assure you, however, that the importance of this matter to the residents is appreciated and every effort will be made to find a solution to the problem. A further communication on this subject will be sent to you as soon as final arrangements have been made with the departments concerned.

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I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) S.G. Trees

ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY

S. Miller

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

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682

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
53	LONDON etat	54/53	1645	21.10.55

To

SECFIDS STANLEY

RB141/55 YOUR 12th OCTOBER SG MAIL STOP [TAE CALLING STVINCENT
 MONTEVIDEO IGY STVINCENT RIO BUT DOUBT IF EITHER VESSEL CAN
 CARRY MAIL AS NOW DRASTICALLY PRUNING CARGO TO AVOID SHUTOUT
 STOP FOR INFORMATION NEITHER VESSEL INTENDS CALLING STANLEY
 STOP WILL ASK GPO PUT ON SG MAIL IN UK IF POSSIBLE]

ELLIOTT

See 683

Time

SKS

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

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683

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				24-10-55
To	ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, SOUTH GEORGIA			DEP. A/C

679 NO.168. MY TELEGRAM NO.162 SOUTH GEORGIA MAIL STOP FOLLOWING RECEIVED FROM LONDON BEGINS TAE CALLING ST VINCENT MONTEVIDEO IGY ST VICENT RIO BUT DOUBT IF EITHER VESSEL CAN CARRY MAIL AS NOW DRASTICALLY PRUNING CARGO TO AVOID SHUTOUT STOP FOR INFORMATION NEITHER VESSEL INTENDS CALLING STANLEY STOP WILL ASK G.P.C. PUT ON SQ MAIL IN UK IF POSSIBLE.

SECRETARY

Time JB/IMR

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

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624

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
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To
MAOSTABLE, MONTEVIDEO

~~24-10-55~~
H.O. A/C.

PLEASE ENSURE ALL FALKLANDS MAIL SHIPPED BY H.M.S. PROTECTOR.

SECRETARY

Time JB/IMR

685

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT



Date

Handed in at

Words

Office of Origin

Number

To

B.O. for 681 on return from leave
of S.P.C.

A 24x

Be. "1"
27x

Time

No. _____

MEMORANDUM.

686

It is requested that, in any reference to this memorandum the above number and date should be quoted.

1220

4th November 19 55

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary

Secretary, F.I.D.S.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :-

688

The attached application for a temporary clerical post in F.I.D.S. Office was received in a bag of overseas mail on Wednesday afternoon and the bag was sorted on Thursday morning when the letter was found. Applications for this post should have been received at this office not later than Wednesday, 2nd November, and it would appear from the postmark that it was, in fact, posted in good time and that some delay has occurred at the Post Office. Interviews were held on Wednesday and the vacancy filled, the result of this delay in the post is that Miss Watson was not given a fair chance of being considered for the position.

*A.C.S.
This card letter
is included - early
report from P.O.
B.H.T.
4/55*

M. Nixon

688
54 JOHN STREET,
PORT STANLEY,
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

27.10.55.

Dear Sir,

I wish to apply for
the post of temporary clerk in the
Falkland Islands Dependencies Survey office
in Stanley.

I am fourteen years and three
months old and am in the Continuation
Class in the Government School where I
have been for the past year. I have
some knowledge of typing but I was
unable to attend evening classes as I

687
was too young to join the class at the
beginning of the session.

I have always wanted to work
in an office and my headmaster, Mr.
Cawthell, will, I know, give you any
information about me you may
require.

Yours faithfully,
Marie Watson.

The Secretary,
Falkland Islands Dependencies Survey.



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The Secretary,
Falkland Islands Dependencies Survey,
Stanley.

690

54 John Street,
Port Stanley,
Falkland Islands.



4th. November 1955.

Dear Sir,

691

I enclose herewith for your information a letter received by my Daughter regarding a Post applied for in the Falkland and Dependencies Survey Department.

I shall be most grateful if you will take the matter up regarding the delay in delivery of the letter from the Post Office.

It is with regret that I have had to bring this incident before your notice and hope that a satisfactory reply can be given from the Department concerned.

I have the honour,

to be,
Sir,

Yours obediently

D.R. Loatson

*E.S. 11/11
4/11*

Reply at 693

The Honourable,
The Colonial, Secretary
Stanley.

691

Please quote in reply.
No..... FIDS P/2/62

FALKLAND ISLANDS DEPENDENCIES SURVEY,
PORT STANLEY,
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

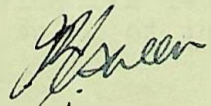
4th November,.....19.55.....

Dear Madam,

I regret that your application for a post in the Falkland Islands Dependencies Survey Office was received in this office too late for consideration and you were, therefore, unable to be considered when interviews were held. The position has now been filled.

For your information I note that the postmark on your letter is October and that there must have been some delay in the post.

Yours faithfully,



for Secretary

Miss M. Watson,
54, John Street,
PORT STANLEY.

692

Postmaster

In every observation in
686 onwards

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H.C.S.

Ref 686.- As a dip is used for F.I.D.S. Office mail and the U.K. mail which arrived on Monday 31st Oct was sorted into this dip. It has been the practice for the Secretariat messenger to collect F.I.D.S. office mail and on Wednesday when it was collected the Secretariat messenger stated that he had forgotten to collect this mail on the previous day (Tuesday). The letter in question was presumably put in this dip for delivery as a private letter and unfortunately must have been covered with the incoming mail. The P.O. messengers have been instructed to deliver all private letters in future that are posted in Stanley and not to place them in any dip.

E. Euston
Postmaster.
7/11/55.

9th November, 1955.

Dear Captain Watson,

690

691

Would you please refer to your letter of 4th November in connexion with a letter containing an application for a F.I.D.S. post by your daughter which was not delivered in time for consideration with other applications.

It is quite clear that there has been an error with regard to the delivery of this letter but I cannot ascertain whether the fault lay with wrong sorting or in delayed delivery. You will appreciate that it is practically impossible to trace the exact movements of an unregistered letter from initial posting to actual delivery and fix responsibility for an error accordingly. It seems likely, however, that the fault lay with the non-clearance of a dip. Arrangements have been made for private letters to be delivered and not put in dips and we shall have to see how that works out in practice.

I can only apologise for the error and say that we are doing what we can to avoid this sort of thing happening again. On the other hand you will appreciate that the Post Office has been fairly hard pushed recently, particularly as practically every mail in, and there have been some very big mails, has during the last six months arrived at a week end and they have done a pretty good job of quick sorting and delivery (without overtime payments).

Yours sincerely,

(Sgt) A. C. Denton-Thompson

Capt. D. R. Watson, E.D.,
STANLEY.

ADT/VP

694

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From Luxton, Fox Bay

To Colonial Secretary

Despatched :	10.11.55	19	Time : 0900
Received :	10.11.55	19	Time : 1200

In view of possible mail collection delivery date quite impossible from some settlements on West. What is position as far as concerns incoming mail delivery to West.

LUXTON

P/L:IR

Reply at 696

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDSRECEIVED

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Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed In at	Date
3	HILL COVE	32	0915	10.11.55.

To

COLONIAL SECRETARY STANLEY

ADVISED ONLY YESTERDAY FITZROY LEAVING FOR MONTEVIDEO FORTNIGHT EARLIER
THAN SCHEDULED STOP IMPOSSIBLE TO GET MAIL TO FOXBAY IN TIME GRATEFUL
IF PLANE CAN PICK UP MAIL HERE

BLAKE

Reply at 696

Time

RRB/

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

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FALKLAND ISLANDS

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SENT

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				10.11.55
To	TM. LUXTON, CHARTRES, BLAKE, HILL COVE. DEPUTY POSTMASTER.	✓ See 697	HO ACCOUNT	

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Your telegram re U.K. mails (.) Aircraft will call Hill Cove on this occasion as well as Fox Bay (.) Inward letter mail will be dropped as soon as ready.

SECRETARY

CONFIRMATORY COPY.
PHD. R/T & W/T STATION 10TH.

K. iv 681

By
on 14/11
11/11

Time

JB/IR

6664/v
697

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From Blake, Fox Bay

To Colonial Secretary

Despatched : 11.11.55 19 55 *Time* : 1100

Received : 12.11.55 19 55 *Time* : 1200

Thank you.

BLAKE

Riv. 685

P.A.
(INFLD)
See 646. J.B.
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It is requested that, in any reference to this memorandum the above number and date should be quoted.

MEMORANDUM.

15th November, 19 55

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary

Secretary, F.I.D.S.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :-

What has the Postmaster to say about this?

Rd/T

15/11

686

700

Further to my memorandum of the 4th November, regarding letters delayed in the post, the attached application for a temporary clerical post was received by us on Friday, 11th November. The postmark is the 10th but the actual letter is dated the 1st November and is a correctly addressed application for a post which was filled on the 2nd November, the closing date.

J. Green

0604/14

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Chairman,

Appointments Board,

F.I.D.S.



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700

2, Philomel Place,
Stanley,

1-11-55.

To: Chairman,
Appointments Board,
F.I.D.S.

Dear Sir,

I wish to apply for the vacancy in the F.I.D.S. Office.
I am fourteen years of age, and have been practising
typing.

I am,

yours sincerely,

Eileen Holliday.

701

S.P.

698? Surely not Secretarial Messengers this time

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14/11

Hon Col Sec,

The answer to the one is unmountable messengers: The Postmaster repeatedly asks the messengers whether the letter boxes have been cleared, and naturally P.M. had no reason to think this particular box had not been cleared.

I have previously applied to have a man employed as P.O. messenger, and a concrete proposal of using 3 boys as messengers was put forward. However, we did have 3 boys for a very short period but the service was not satisfactory.

I still believe the only solution is to employ a man or preferably 2 men to do the deliveries

AM SPT

17.11.55

Copy in D/10/51

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

702

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

Number

Office of Origin

Words

Handed in at

Date

23.11.55

To

MACSTABLE, MONTEVIDEO

HC/G

Please ensure that two parcels said to have arrived yours by air 15th and containing postage stamps are shipped by Biscoe stop Also Falklands mail.

SECRETARY

Reply at 703

CONFIRMATORY COPY.

Phd. W/T Station 1650/22nd.

(Intld) J.B.

Time

JB/LR

22/11.

701

S.P.

698? Surely not Secretarial Messengers this time

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144

Hon. Cab Sec,

The answer to the one is unmountable messengers: The Postmaster repeatedly asks the messengers whether the letter boxes have been cleared, and naturally P.M. has no reason to think this particular box had not been cleared.

I have previously applied to have a man employed as P.O. messenger, and a current proposal of using 3 boys as messengers was put forward. However, we did have 3 boys for a very short period but the service was not satisfactory.

I still believe the only solution is to employ a man or preferably 2 men to do our deliveries

AM SPT

17.11.55

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ORIGINAL IN D/15/51.

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TELEGRAM.

703

From Macstaple, Montevideo

To Colonial Secretary

Despatched : 24th November, 19 55 Time : 1040

Received : 24th November, 19 55 Time : 1500

Parcels stamps arrived too late for "Biscoe".
Mail forwarded.

MACSTAPLE.

Sec. F.I.D.S.

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704 ~~7~~

I am very much afraid that this is another of "those cases". There is nothing very much that we can do about it but I think in future, we should arrange for applications to be handed in to F.I.D.S. Office.

With regard to the letter I can only suggest that the circumstances should be explained to the girl and you might add that you have been directed by the Colonial Secretary to convey to her the apologies for this error.

B.G.J.
28.11.55.

Hes.

Thank you. I will act accordingly.

[Signature]
29/11

P.A.
[Signature]
1/2"

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDSSENT

705

Number

Office of Origin

Words

Handed in at

Date

1/12/55

To

COMMANDING OFFICER, H.M.S. PROTECTOR

Have 11 covers classified mail for you stop Grateful you arrange
collection.

Jan

SECRETARY

Time

JH/IR

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

706

Number

Office of Origin

Words

Handed in at

Date

6.12.55

To

HAGSTAPLE, MONTEVIDEO

HOA/C

Grateful you arrange forward Falklands mail by Cansos aircraft
arriving yours 8th December.

SECRETARY

Jan

Time

WH/IR

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

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707

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				10.1.56

To

COMMANDING OFFICER, PROTECTOR	ADMIRALTY A/C
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Have classified mail please arrange collection.

SECRETARY

CONFIRMATORY COPY.
 PHD. R/T STATION 1500/1000.
 (INTLD) I.R.
 10/1/56

Collected M/A.
~~1/20/56~~
 1/20/56
 1/20/56

Time 1 R