

GREEK ISSUES OF THRACE 1920

INTRODUCTION

Objective of this exhibit is to show the overprinted stamps issued and circulated in 1920 by the Hellenic Administration of (Western and Eastern) Thrace, including their errors and varieties, together with the Greek and Ottoman postmarks used by the Post Offices there.

Following the liberation of Western Thrace by the Hellenic Army (May 14 and 15, 1920) in compliance to the Treaty of San Remo (April 25, 1920), the Hellenic Administration of Western Thrace was created with headquarters at Gumuldjina to succeed the Inter-Allied Administration of Thrace decided by the Treaty of Neuilly (November 27, 1919). A three-lined overprint «Διοίκησης Δυτικής Θράκης» (Western Thrace Administration) on Greek stamps was then issued.

As the Hellenic Army advanced and liberated Eastern Thrace too, a High Commission was established there with headquarters in Andrinople (July 12, 1920) and a three-lined overprint «Υπάτη Αρμοστεία Θράκης» (Thrace High Commission) with new values on Ottoman stamps was similarly circulated.

Finally, both parts of Thrace were annexed to the Kingdom of Greece (September 10, 1920), save Tchataldja and Constantinople. The Greek High Commissioner then became its first Governor General. A two-lined overprint on Greek stamps reading «Διοίκησης Θράκης» (Thrace Administration) then followed the former. The Armistice of Mudanya (October 11, 1922) ended this Administration and Eastern Thrace together with Karagatch were ceded to Turkey.

Note: Items marked with a ■ are highlights and of particular interest

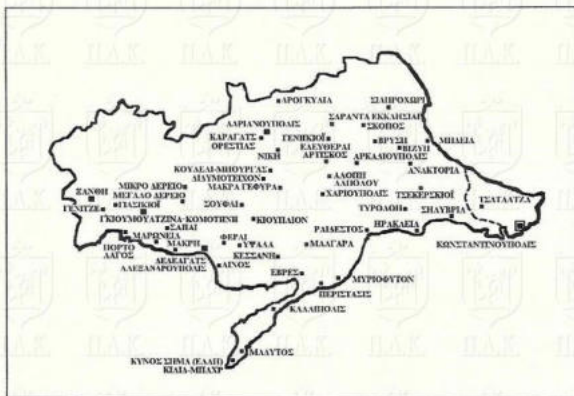
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1.2 LOCATION OF POST OFFICES IN THRACE



Map of pre WWI Thrace (now divided between Bulgaria, Greece and Turkey) with the Post Offices opened by the Hellenic Administration in 1920

WESTERN THRACE

ΓΛΑΣΚΙΟΪ / ΙΑΣΜΟΣ	Yassikeui / Iasmos	ΜΑΡΩΝΕΙΑ	Maronia
ΓΕΝΗΚΙΟΪ	Yenikeui	ΜΕΓΑ ΔΕΡΕΙΟΝ	Buyuk Dervent
ΓΕΝΙΤΣΕ	Yenidje	ΜΙΚΡΟΝ ΔΕΡΕΙΟΝ	Malak Dervent
ΓΚΙΟΥΜΟΥΛΤΖΙΝΑ / ΚΟΜΟΤΗΝΗ	Gumuldjina / Komotini	ΞΑΝΘΗ	Isketché
ΔΕΔΕΑΓΑΤΣ / ΑΛΕΞΑΝΔΡΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ	Dedeağatch / Alexandroupolis	ΠΟΡΤΟ ΛΑΓΟΣ	Port Lagos
ΔΙΔΥΜΟΤΕΙΧΟΝ	Dimetoka	ΣΑΠΙΑΙ	Chaptchi
ΚΟΥΛΕΛΙ-ΜΠΟΥΡΓΑΣ / ΠΥΘΙΟΝ	Kouleli-Bourgas / Pythion	ΣΟΥΦΛΑΙ	Sofilou
ΜΑΚΡΗ	Makri	ΦΕΡΑΙ	Feredjik

ΚΑΡΑΓΑΤΣ / ΟΡΕΣΤΙΑΣ, Karagatch: Belonging to Western Thrace (as situated west of the river Evros / Maritsa) was first assigned to Greece but was subsequently ceded to Turkey by protocol to the Treaty of Lausanne (1923) as war compensation

EASTERN THRACE

ΑΔΡΙΑΝΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ	Andrinople	ΜΑΚΡΑ ΓΕΦΥΡΑ	Ouzoun-Keupru
ΑΙΝΟΣ	Enos	ΜΑΛΓΑΡΑ	Malgara
ΑΛΟΠΗ / ΑΛΠΟΛΟΥ	Alpolou	ΜΗΔΕΙΑ	Midie
ΑΝΑΚΤΟΡΙΑ	Saraï	ΜΥΡΙΟΦΥΤΟΝ	Murefte
ΑΡΚΑΔΙΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ	Loulé-Bourgas	ΝΙΚΗ	Havsá
ΑΡΤΕΚΟΣ / ΕΛΕΥΘΕΡΑΙ (ΘΡΑΚΗΣ)	Baba-Eski	ΠΕΡΙΣΤΑΣΙΣ	Charkeui
ΒΙΖΥΗ	Vizé	ΠΕΤΡΑ	Kayali
ΒΡΥΣΗ	Pounar-Hissar	ΡΑΙΔΕΣΤΟΣ	Rodosto
ΔΡΟΓΚΥΛΙΑ	Lala-Pacha	ΣΑΡΑΝΤΑ ΕΚΚΛΗΣΙΑΙ	Kirk-Kilisse
ΕΒΡΕΣ	Evreche	ΣΙΔΗΡΟΧΩΡΙ	Démir-Keuy
ΗΡΑΚΛΕΙΑ	Eregli	ΣΚΟΠΟΣ	Skopo or Uskub
ΚΑΛΛΙΠΟΛΙΣ	Gallipoli	ΣΗΛΥΒΡΙΑ	Silivrie
ΚΕΣΣΑΝΗ	Kéchan	ΤΣΕΚΕΡΕΚΙΟΪ	Tcherkez-Keuy
ΚΙΛΙΔ-ΜΠΑΧΡ / ΚΥΝΟΣ ΣΗΜΑ (ΕΛΛΗ)	Kilid Bahr	ΤΥΡΟΛΟΗ	Tchorlou
ΚΙΟΥΠΛΙΟΝ	Kuplu	ΥΦΑΛΑ	Ipsala
ΜΑΔΥΤΟΣ	Maidos	ΧΑΡΙΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ	Hairebolou

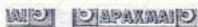
Due to the delay in the preparation of the Greek postmarks, in some locations of Eastern Thrace, Ottoman cancels found in existing Post Offices were used during the first few weeks instead

1.3 OVERPRINTED STAMPS AND POSTAL RATES

ZIG-ZAG ROULETTE PERFORATION



WTA 1 drachma left marginal block of twelve



501 Γ. ΑΣΠΙΩΤΗ ΕΝ ΚΕΡ

All Greek stamps overprinted for use in Thrace were zig-zag perforated. This new form of perforation (zig-zag roulette) was first applied in Greek postage stamps with the circulation of the «Engraved» issue (1911). Perforation cuts resemble the teeth of a saw and leave evenly shaped pointed teeth on stamp edges. No paper is removed during this process. Although normal perforation can be defined as a series of holes punched between stamps, the roulette type applies a series of closely spaced cuts between them, allowing the stamps to be torn or pulled apart along the lines of the rouletting. As a result, their separation is not always the best possible ever.

E.T. (ROYALIST) OVERPRINT



The letters E.T. from the words ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΟΝ ΤΑΧΥΔΡΟΜΕΙΟΝ (Hellenic Mail) surmounted by the royal crown, consisted a special overprint in black and red (1916) on stamps of the «Engraved» and «Lithographic» issues used in areas controlled by the royalist (then legitimate) government in Athens as a measure of prevention against the use of Greek stamps by the provisory (then rebel) government in Salonica. Stamps of this issue were further overprinted to be used by the Hellenic Administration in Thrace.



WTA 20 lepta ET (Royalist) block

THRACE POSTAL RATES

Postal rates are cumulative, starting by the base rate (first four of the list) and adding the rest (last three)

DOMESTIC MAIL:

	3.7.1920	8.8.1922
Letter (1 weight) =	20 lepta	40 lepta
Letter (2 weight) =	40 lepta	60 lepta
Letter (w/i city) =	15 lepta	30 lepta
Postcard =	10 lepta	25 lepta
Registered =	20 lepta	50 lepta
Express =	20 lepta	1 drachma
Receipt =	20 lepta	50 lepta

INTERNATIONAL MAIL:

	5.3.1920	1.1.1922	19.7.1922
Letter (1 weight) =	25 lepta	50 lepta	80 lepta
Letter (2 weight) =	50 lepta	75 lepta	1,2 drachma
Letter (3 weight) =	75 lepta	1 drachma	1,6 drachma
Postcard =	15 lepta	30 lepta	50 lepta
Registered =	25 lepta	50 lepta	80 lepta
Express =	30 lepta	1 drachma	1,6 drachma
Receipt =	20 lepta	50 lepta	80 lepta

Domestic parcel up to 1 kg = 75 lepta and up to 2 kg = 115 lepta

The 1912 international post-check overprinted in 1914 with a red ΔΕΛΤΙΟΝ ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΗΣ was used as a parcel dispatch receipt without its additional value of 2 drachmas

1.3 OVERPRINTED STAMPS AND POSTAL RATES

WESTERN THRACE ADMINISTRATION [In this Exhibit: WTA]

Three lined typographical overprints in black

Διοίκησης Δυτικής Θράκης

ΔΙΟΙΚΗΣΙΣ ΔΥΤΙΚΗΣ ΘΡΑΚΗΣ

On stamps of 1911-1919 "Engraved", 1912-1919 "Lithographic"
and 1916 "E.T. (Royalist)" issues of Greece



WTA Engraved



WTA Lithographic



WTA E.T. (Royalist)



WTA Capital letters

The liberation of Western Thrace by the Greek Army (1920) created the Hellenic Administration of Western Thrace that succeeded the Inter-allied Thrace Administration under the French General Charpy. This operation was completed with an exemplary order in only two days (May 14 and 15) and the civil Authorities under Charissios Vamvakas established their headquarters at Gumuldjina (Komotini). A three-lined overprint «Διοίκησης Δυτικής Θράκης» (Western Thrace Administration) on Greek stamps was then introduced.



10 stotinki Bulgarian postal stationery card overprinted THRACE INTERALLIEE
WTA 1, 3, 5 and 15 lepta and a 2 lepta E.T. (Royalist) stamps
Cancelled to order: ΔΙΔΥΜΟΤΕΙΧΟΝ 15 ΜΑΪ 20

That day the liberation of Western Thrace by the Hellenic Army was completed

1.3 OVERPRINTED STAMPS AND POSTAL RATES

THRACE HIGH COMMISSION [In this Exhibit: THC]

Three lined typographical overprint in blue, black and red

Υπάτη Αρμοστεία Θράκης

On Ottoman stamps of the 1917-1920 issues with new values and currency



THC Overprint

Following the revolt of Jaffer Tayyar (March 17, 1920) and his proclamation of an Autonomous Eastern Thrace (June 12), the Greek Army advanced and finally liberated Eastern Thrace too. On July 1, the newly appointed High Commissioner for Eastern Thrace Antonios Sactouris arrived in Dedeagatch and later established himself at his headquarters in Andrinople (July 12), where the following day he received King Alexander I of the Hellenes. A three-lined overprint «Υπάτη Αρμοστεία Θράκης» (Thrace High Commission) with new values on Ottoman stamps was then introduced.



Registered cover from Andrinople to Glion (Switzerland) officially sealed (Greek High Commission in Thrace)

THC 25 lepta, vertical strip of three stamps

Postmarks at departure: [Bilingual] 12 8 20 ANDRINOPLE 6

Postmark in transit: ΘΕΣΣΑΛΟΝΙΚΗ 16 ΑΥΤ. 20

Postmark at arrival: GLION 7 IX 20 - 19

Total rate: 75 lepta = International letter: 50 lepta, Registered letter: 25 lepta

■ Letter of the Greek High Commissioner in Thrace, Antonios Sactouris, bearing his Seal of Office, addressed to his wife Olga then residing at Victoria Hotel in Glion, Switzerland

1.3 OVERPRINTED STAMPS AND POSTAL RATES

THRACE ADMINISTRATION [In this Exhibit: TA]

Two lined typographic overprint in black

Διοίκησης Θράκης

On stamps of 1911 "Engraved", 1912-1919 "Lithographic" and 1916 "E.T. (Royalist)" issues of Greece



TA Engraved



TA Lithographic



TA E.T. (Royalist)

Two months after its liberation and a month since the signing of the Treaty of Sèvres (August 10), Thrace was annexed to the Kingdom of Greece (September 10), save Tchataldja and Constantinople. The High Commissioner Antonios Sactouris became its first Governor General. A two-lined overprint «Διοίκησης Θράκης» (Thrace Administration) on Greek stamps was then introduced.



Registered cover from Andrinople to Constantinople

TA 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 25, 40 and 50 lepta lithographic and 20 and 30 lepta E.T. (Royalist) stamps

Postmark at departure: ΑΔΡΙΑΝΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ 16 ΣΕΙΛ 20

Total rate: 1 drachma and 86 lepta = International letter: 25 lepta, Registered letter: 25 lepta.

Overpaid to order

1.4 HELLENIC STATE CONTROL SEAL

A State Control Seal was stamped at regular intervals on the gum of every value (one sheet per dispatch) to secure the official delivery of the stamps at the respective Post Offices



Stamp view (reduced)

TA 2 lepta engraved lower right
imprint vertical corner block of six



Stamp view
(reduced)

WTA 20 lepta lithographic
lower imprint marginal block



Stamp view
(reduced)

WTA 3 lepta engraved lower
imprint marginal block



Stamp view (reduced)

WTA 3 lepta lithographic lower
right imprint corner block



Stamp view
(reduced)

WTA 25 lepta E.T. (Royalist) lower
imprint marginal block
E.T. (Royalist) overprint heavily misplaced



Stamp view (reduced)

WTA 1 drachma engraved lower left
imprint corner block
Misplaced overprint (to the left)

State control seal «ΚΕΝΤΡΙΚΗ ΑΠΟΘΗΚΗ ΔΙΑΧΕΙΡΙΣΕΩΣ ΣΦΡΑΓΙΣΤΟΥ ΧΑΡΤΟΥ»
with the Hellenic Royal Coat of Arms in red

2.1 WTA OVERPINTED ISSUES

ENGRAVED

1920: Three-lined typographic black overprint Διοίκησης Δυτικής Θράκης on 10 values (2, 3, 20, 25 and 30 lepta and 1, 2, 3, 5 and 10 drachmas) and ΔΙΟΙΚΗΣΙΣ ΔΥΤΙΚΗΣ ΘΡΑΚΗΣ on one value (25 drachmas) of the 1911 and 1919 (short) «Engraved» issue of Greece



Blocks



Lower marginal stamp



The values of 2, 3, 20, 25 and 30 lepta as well as 1, 2 and 25 drachmas of the 1911 issue were overprinted but never circulated.



The values of 3, 5 and 10 drachmas of the 1919 (short) issue were overprinted and circulated.

2.1 WTA OVERPINTED ISSUES

LITHOGRAPHIC

1920: Three-lined typographic black overprint Διοίκησης Δυτικής Θράκης on 12 values (1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 40 and 50 lepta and 1 and 2 drachmas) of the 1913-1919 «Lithographic» issue of Greece.



The values of 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 15, 25, 40 and 50 lepta as well as 1 and 2 drachmas were overprinted and circulated (The additional value of 30 lepta was never officially overprinted and those existing are to be considered as forgeries)



Lower imprint marginal block

The value of 20 lepta was overprinted but never circulated

2.1 WTA OVERPINTED ISSUES

E.T. (ROYALIST)

1920: Three-lined typographic black overprint Διοίκησης Δευτέρας Θράκης on 12 engraved and lithographic values (1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 25, 30 and 30 lepta and 2, 3, 5 and 10 drachmas) of the 1916 «E.T. (Royalist)» issue of Greece.



The values of 2, 10, 20, 30 lepta and 3 drachmas lithographic stamps were the only issued and circulated



The values of 1 lepton and 2, 5 and 10 drachmas were never issued but exist cancelled to order



The values of 5 and 25 lepta (lithographic) and 30 lepta (engraved) were never issued

2.2 WTA ERRORS AND VARIETIES

2 lepta engraved



Lower left imprint corner blocks (printing variation)

Incomplete overprint: «ης» from «Θράκης» missing (position 91)



Next page: →

Full imprint sheet of hundred (10X10)
Right margin missing

The word «Αιοιχης» starts at the right of
the word «Αιτωχης» instead of at the left
(positions 59 and 60)

Incomplete overprint: «ης» from «Θράκης»
missing (positions 91 and 96)

Hellenic State Control Seal (on the gum)

■ The only known to date

3 lepta engraved



Block

Word «Θράκης» distinctly
misplaced to the left
(positions 79 and 80)

20 lepta engraved



Upper marginal block
Heavily misplaced overprint

1 drachma engraved



Part of the word «Αιοιχης»
(four letters: «ιχη») missing



Extremely misplaced (vertically and horizontally) overprint
leaving the stamp with only the letters «Δ» / «Θ» and «Α» /
«Δ» on upper and lower right corners respectively

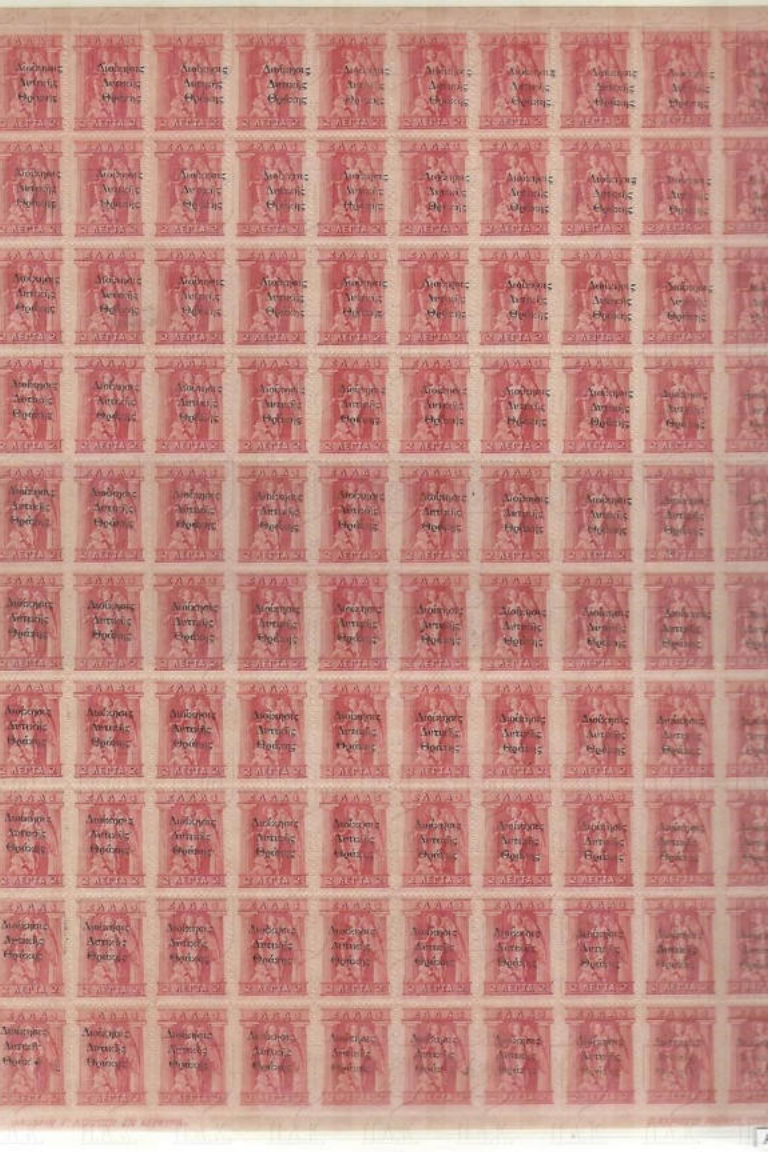


Reverse view (reduced)

5 drachmas engraved

Lower left imprint corner block

Part of one overprint missing due to paper folding:
«Αιτωχης Θράκης» from «Αιοιχης Αιτωχης Θράκης»
is printed on the gum at the rear instead (position 92)



2.2 WTA ERRORS AND VARIETIES

1 lepton lithographic

Overprint Διοίκησης Διοίκησης Θράκης instead of the correct Διοίκησης Δυτικής Θράκης found at positions: 25, 26, 27 and 28 on some of the 100 stamps sheets.



Overprint Δυτικής Θράκης Δυτικής instead of the correct Διοίκησης Δυτικής Θράκης found at positions: 91, 92, 93 and 94 of some of the 100 stamps sheets



Horizontal lower imprint marginal strip of five (positions: 91, 92, 93 and 94)
Maimed «ς» of lower «Δυτικής» (position 92)



Lower imprint marginal block of eight (positions: 91, 92, 93 and 94)
Double overprint

■ The only known to date



2.2 WTA ERRORS AND VARIETIES

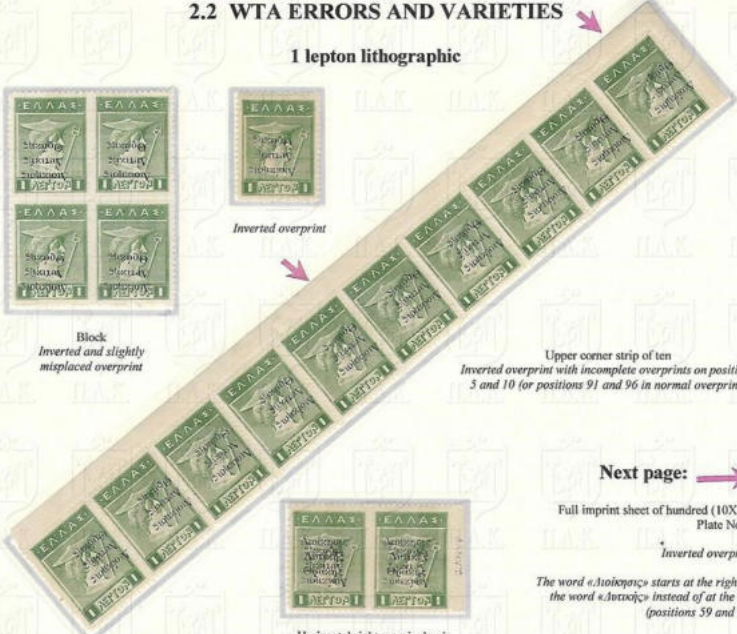
1 lepton lithographic



Block
Inverted and slightly
misplaced overprint



Inverted overprint



Upper corner strip of ten
Inverted overprint with incomplete overprints on positions
5 and 10 (or positions 91 and 96 in normal overprint)



Horizontal right marginal pair
Double overprint one inverted

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Full imprint sheet of hundred (10X10)
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Inverted overprint

The word «Αιολισμός» starts at the right of
the word «Δυτικής» instead of at the left
(positions 59 and 60)

■ The only known to date

2 lepta lithographic

Overprint Δυτικής Θράκης Δυτικής instead of Διοίκησης Δυτικής Θράκης (positions 91, 92, 93 and 94)
Maimed «Ϟ» on lower word «Δυτικής» (position 92)



Horizontal lower marginal imprint block of eight



Lower imprint marginal block



2.2 WTA ERRORS AND VARIETIES

3 lepta lithographic



Left marginal horizontal pair
Inverted overprint
Double horizontal perforation



Vertical strip of three
Heavily misplaced overprint
Two upper stamps without overprint



Block
Mirror Printing



Upper left horizontal corner strip of five
Inverted overprint
Maimed letter «ς» of «Θράκη» (position 5 or 96 in normal overprint)



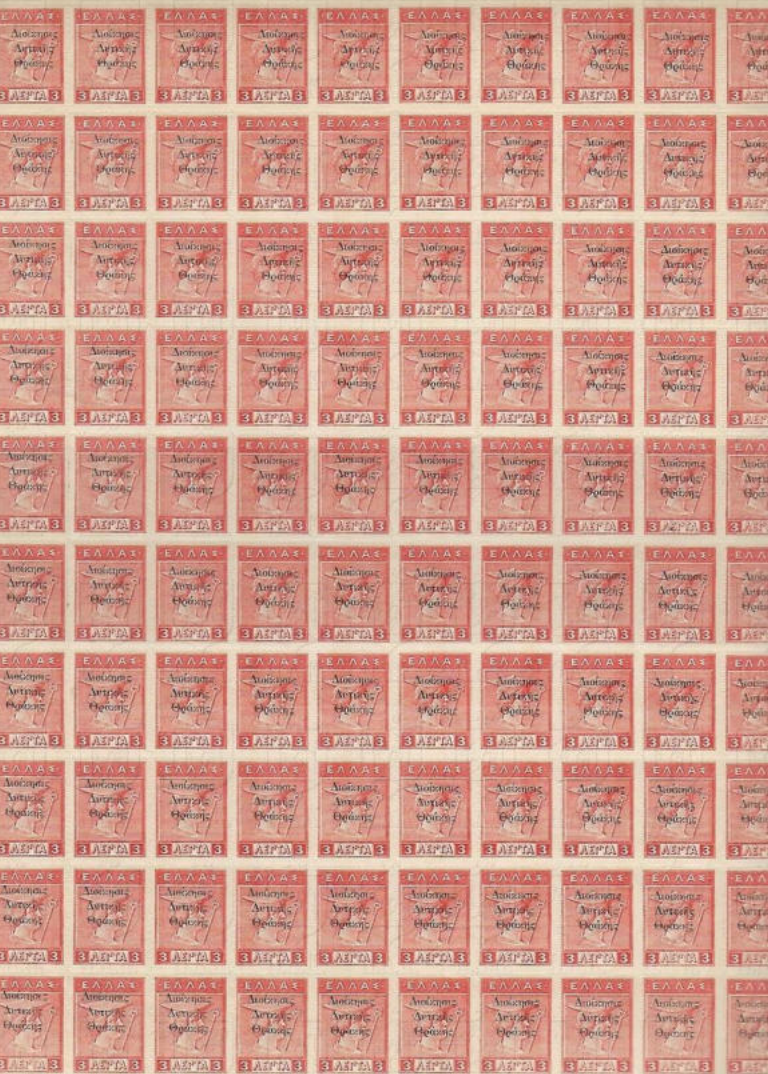
Upper right corner block of twenty four
Overprint ΑΙΘΙΟΠΙΑ; ΑΙΘΙΟΠΙΑ; ΘΡΑΚΗ; instead of ΑΙΘΙΟΠΙΑ; ΑΙΘΙΟΠΙΑ; ΘΡΑΚΗ;
(positions: 25, 26, 27 and 28)
Overprint aligned to the right instead of the center (positions: 29 and 30)

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Full imprint sheet of hundred (10X10)
Plate No. 2 (manuscript)

The word «ΑΙΘΙΟΠΙΑ» starts at the right of
the word «ΑΙΘΙΟΠΙΑ» instead of the left
(positions 59 and 60)

■ The only known to date



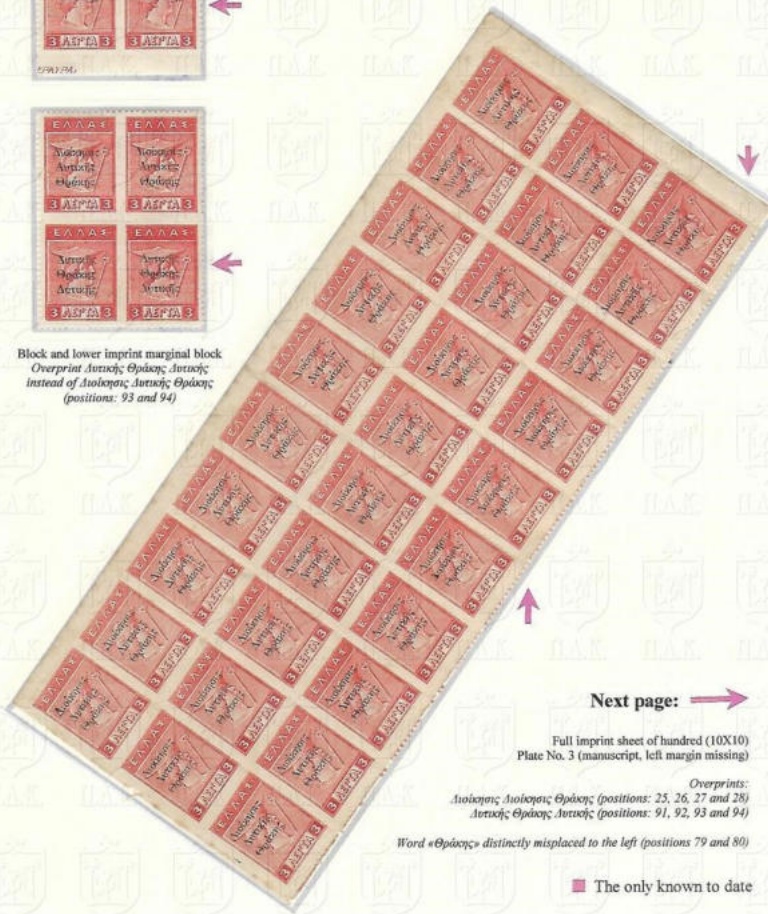
2.2 WTA ERRORS AND VARIETIES

3 leptas lithographic

Upper corner block of thirty
Overprint Αιοίκησης Αιοίκησης Θράκης instead of Αιοίκησης Αιτωχίας Θράκης
 (positions: 25, 26, 27 and 28)
Overprint aligned to the right instead of the center (positions: 29 and 30)



Block and lower imprint marginal block
Overprint Αιτωχίας Θράκης Αιτωχίας
 instead of *Αιοίκησης Αιτωχίας Θράκης*
 (positions: 93 and 94)



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Full imprint sheet of hundred (10X10)
 Plate No. 3 (manuscript, left margin missing)

Overprints:
Αιοίκησης Αιοίκησης Θράκης (positions: 25, 26, 27 and 28)
Αιτωχίας Θράκης Αιτωχίας (positions: 91, 92, 93 and 94)

Word «Θράκης» distinctly misplaced to the left (positions 79 and 80)

■ The only known to date



2.2 WTA ERRORS AND VARIETIES

5 lepta lithographic



Pair
Double overprint



Block
Double overprint



Left marginal pair
Inverted overprint

10 lepta lithographic



Imprint lower marginal stamp
Maimed «ς» on word «Θράκης»

15 lepta lithographic



Double overprint



Right marginal strip of three
Misplaced overprint



Pair
Inverted and misplaced overprint



Block
Inverted overprint

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20 lepta lithographic (Never circulated)

Full imprint sheet of hundred without left and right margin

Word «Αποδοτικόν» starts at the right word «Αποδοτικόν» instead of at the left (positions 59 and 60)

Incomplete overprint: «ης» from «Θράκης» missing (positions 91 and 92)
Hellenic State Control Seal (on the gum)

■ The only known to date

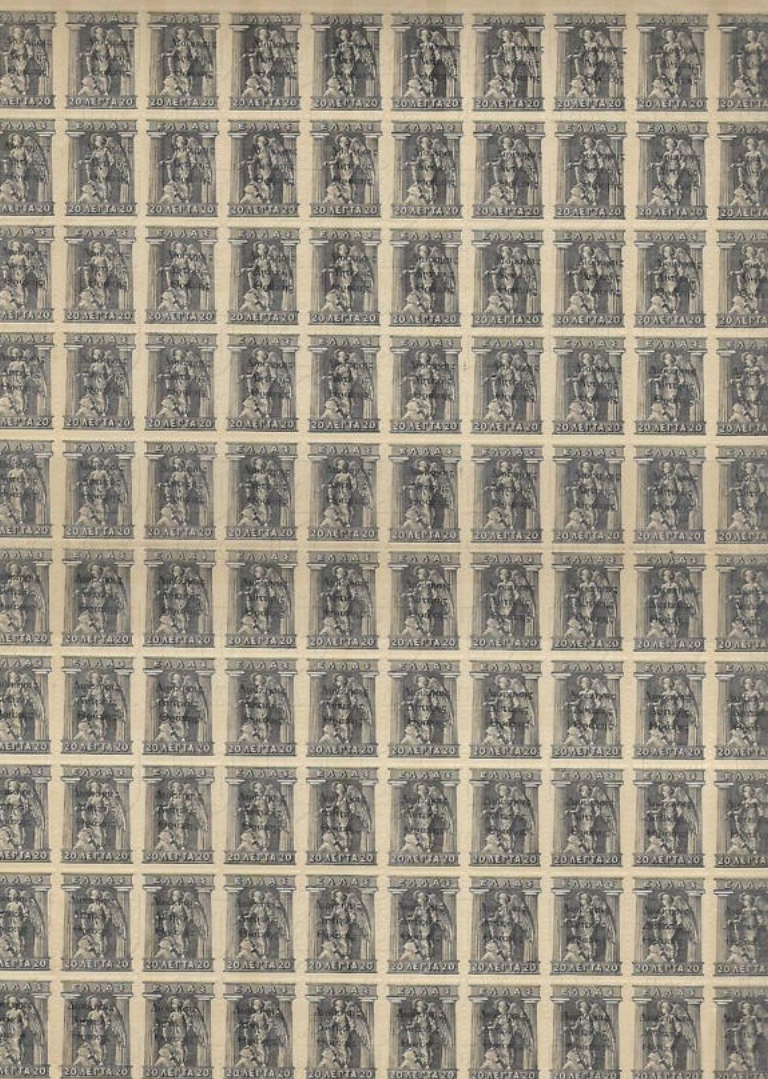
Cover from Xanthi to Syros

WTA 15 lepta lithographic and 5 lepta definitive "Lithographic" issue mixed franking

Postmark at departure: ΞΑΝΘΗ 23 ΜΑΪ 21

Total rate: 20 lepta = Domestic letter: 20 lepta

Inverted overprint



2.2 WTA ERRORS AND VARIETIES

1 drachma lithographic



Horizontal block of eight
Paper folding

2 drachmas lithographic



Lower imprint marginal block
Double overprint

Reverse view (reduced)



Ottoman P.T.T. adhesive label sealed registered cover from Rodosto to Athens

WTA 1 drachma and 2 drachmas lower marginal lithographic stamps

Postmarks at departure: ΡΑΔΕΣΤΟΣ 15 ΑΥΓ. 21

Postmark at arrival: ΑΘΗΝΑΙ (ΑΦΙΞΙΣ) 19 ΑΥΓ. 21 (on reverse)

Total rate: 3 drachmas = Domestic letter: 20 lepta, Registered letter: 20 lepta (overpaid)

2.2 WTA ERRORS AND VARIETIES

2 lepta E.T. (Royalist)



Double overprint

5 lepta E.T. (Royalist)



*Imprint lower left corner pair
Incomplete overprint: «ης» from «Θράκης» missing
(position 91)*



*Block
Inverted and misplaced overprint*

10 lepta E.T. (Royalist)



*Left marginal pair
Inverted overprint*



*Imprint lower left corner block
Incomplete overprint: «ης» from
«Θράκης» missing (position 91)*

■ The only known to date

10 drachmas E.T. (Royalist)



*Pair
E.T. (Royalist) original overprint missing*

3.1 THC OVERPINTED ISSUES

OTTOMAN STAMPS

1920: Three-lined typographic overprint Υπάτη Αρμοστεία Θράκης in blue, black and red with new values (1, 5, 20, 25 and 50 lepta and 1, 2, 3 and 5 drachmas) on 9 Ottoman stamps of 1917-1920 issues.



Complete set as issued and circulated

3.2 THC ERRORS AND VARIETIES

1 lepta on 5 paras



Double overprint, one inverted

Two different printings



Double overprint, one inverted



Vertical pair
"υ" of "Υπατη" partially printed
in lower stamp



Upper marginal corner stamp
Inverted and misplaced overprint



*Overprint on the gum too
Inverted and misplaced*

5 lepta on 3 piastres



Inverted overprint

20 lepta on 1 piastre



Double overprint, one inverted



Overprint on the gum too

5 drachmas on 20 paras



Mint and used
Inverted overprint



4.1 TA OVERPINTED ISSUES ENGRAVED

1920: Two-lined black typographic overprint Διοίκησης Θράκης on 4 values (2, 3 and 20 lepta and 25 drachmas) of the 1911 «Engraved» issue of Greece.



Complete set issued but never circulated

LITHOGRAPHIC

1920: Two-lined black typographic overprint Διοίκησης Θράκης on 12 values (1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 40 and 50 lepta and 1 and 2 drachmas) of the 1913-1919 «Lithographic» issue of Greece.



All values were issued and circulated except of 15 lepta



Horizontal pair

15 lepta issued but never circulated

4.1 TA OVERPINTED ISSUES

E.T. (ROYALIST)

1920: Two-lined black typographical overprint Διοίκησης Θράκης on 8 engraved and lithographic values (1, 2, 5, 20 and 30 lepta and 3, 5 and 10 drachmas) of the 1916 «E.T.» (Royalist) issue of Greece.



Only 2, 20 and 30 lepta and 3 drachmas were issued and circulated



Upper marginal stamp



1 and 5 lepta and 5 and 10 drachmas were issued but never circulated

4.2 TA ERRORS AND VARIETIES

2 lepta engraved



Overprint à cheval



Upper right corner block of ten
Overprint à cheval

1 lepton lithographic



Right marginal horizontal pair

Misplaced overprint leaving the last column without



Right marginal horizontal block of eight
Misplaced overprint leaving the last column without



Lower right imprint corner block

Letter «α» instead of «ά» in word «Ἐλλάς» (position 90)

Next page: →

Full imprint sheet of hundred (10X10)
Plate No. 4 (mechanical)

Correct overprinting (for comparison)



4.2 TA ERRORS AND VARIETIES

1 lepton lithographic



Right marginal horizontal pair
Inverted overprint



Lower marginal imprint block
Plate No. 4 (mechanical)
Double overprint



Pair
Double overprint



Upper marginal block of six
Overprint à cheval



Lower left imprint corner block
Double horizontal and vertical perforation



Lower marginal imprint marginal horizontal strip of six
Plate No. 3 (mechanical)
Double horizontal and vertical perforation

Vertical strip of four
Double horizontal and vertical perforation



4.2 TA ERRORS AND VARIETIES

2 lepta lithographic




Pair, block and upper marginal block of nine
Vertically à cheval misplaced overprint

Left imprint corner block of fifty (half sheet)
Plate No. 4 (manuscript)
Vertically à cheval misplaced overprint
leaving one row of ten stamps with only the
word «Θράκη» (positions 91-100)

4.2 TA ERRORS AND VARIETIES

2 lepta lithographic

Next page: 

Full imprint sheet of hundred (10X10)
Plate No. 4 (manuscript)

Horizontally misplaced overprint



Block
Double overprint



Double overprint

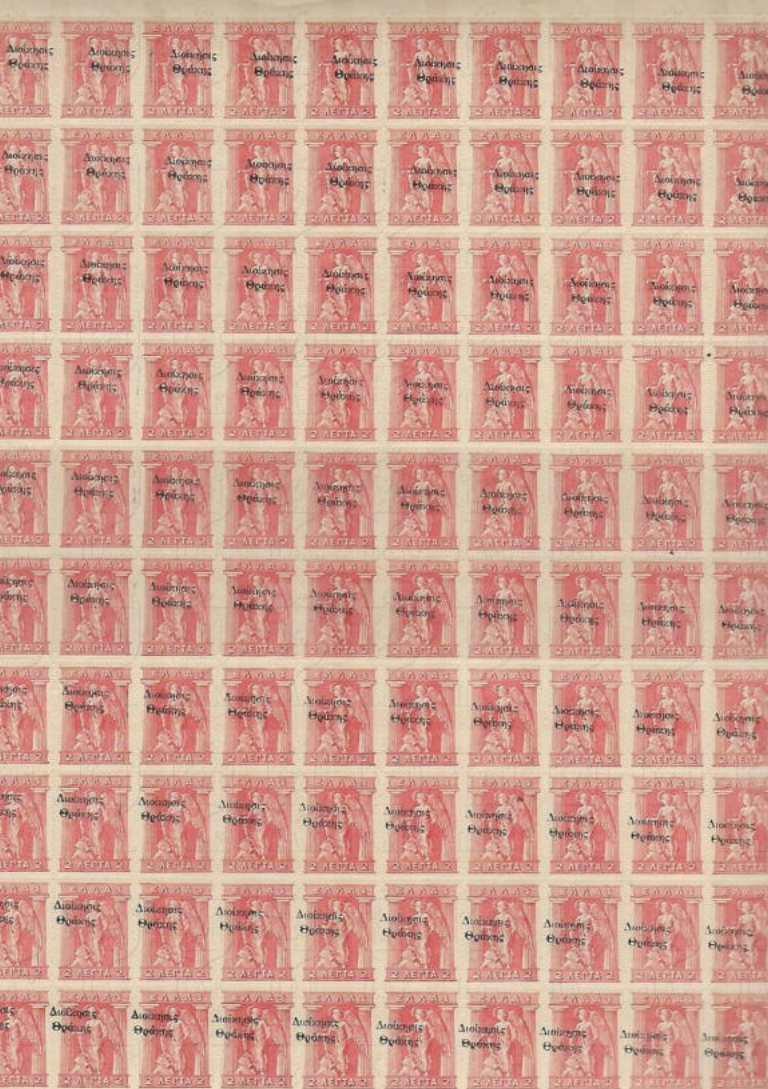


Lower marginal stamp
Mirror printing



Upper marginal stamp
Horizontally misplaced overprint (à cheval)

Lower imprint corner block of forty
Plate No. 4 (manuscript)
Double overprint



4.2 TA ERRORS AND VARIETIES

2 lepta lithographic

Next page: →

3 lepta lithographic

Full imprint sheet of hundred (10X10)
Plate No. 2 (manuscript)

Inverted overprint



Lower left imprint corner block of six
Triple overprint



Upper marginal pair
Double and misplaced overprint



Horizontal inter-marginal block of forty
Double and misplaced overprint



Block
Horizontally misplaced overprint (à cheval)

4.2 TA ERRORS AND VARIETIES

3 lepta lithographic



Left marginal block
Double overprint



Left marginal pair
Double overprint one inverted



Vertical upper marginal pair
Misplaced overprint (à cheval)

Next page: →

Lower imprint corner block of twenty
Plate No. 2 (manuscript)
The rest of the full sheet is also displayed in this exhibit
Horizontally misplaced overprint (à cheval)

Full imprint sheet of hundred (10X10)
Plate No. 2 (manuscript)
Inverted and misplaced overprint



4.2 TA ERRORS AND VARIETIES

3 lepta lithographic



Upper corner block of eighty (10X8)

Major part of a full sheet of hundred (10X10) the rest of which is also displayed in this exhibit

Horizontally misplaced overprint (à cheval)

Next page:

Full imprint sheet of hundred (10X10)

Plate No. 2 (manuscript)

Letters *sp* instead of *ap* (position 47)

and *sp* instead of *ap* (position 96)

of the word *efficiency*



4.2 TA ERRORS AND VARIETIES

3 lepta lithographic



Upper right corner horizontal strip of seven
Mirror printing



Vertical pair
*Inverted and misplaced
overprint (à cheval)*



Block
Inverted overprint



Left marginal block of eight
*Inverted and misplaced overprint **



Block
Double overprint



Pair
Inverted and misplaced overprint



Lower right imprint corner block
Letter «α» instead of «ά» in word «Θράκη» (position 90)



Upper left corner strip of five
Stamps' upper tablet E.L.L.A.S mirror printing (décalqué)

4.2 TA ERRORS AND VARIETIES

10 lepta lithographic



Misplaced perforation

15 lepta lithographic



Misplaced overprint



Lower right imprint corner block
Letter «q» instead of «s» in word «Ἐπίραξ» (position 90)



Pair
Inverted overprint

20 lepta lithographic



Left marginal pair
Inverted and misplaced overprint

25 lepta lithographic



Lower right imprint corner block six
Letter «q» instead of «s» in word «Ἐπίραξ» (position 90)

50 lepta lithographic



Lower left vertical imprint corner block of six
Overprint distortion due to paper folding (position 91)



Upper marginal block
Inverted and misplaced overprint

4.2 TA ERRORS AND VARIETIES

1 lepton E.T. (Royalist)



Lower marginal imprint horizontal strip of five
One stamp without and one with partial overprint due to paper folding
Mirror printing

2 lepta E.T. (Royalist)



Upper left corner block
Double overprint



Left marginal pair
Double overprint one inverted
on gummed front

■ Only one sheet is
believed to exist



Two vertical strips of three
Misplaced overprint
(à cheval vertically and horizontally)



Lower marginal block of six (Plate No. 3, manuscript)
Double overprint - Lower row not affected



Lower marginal pair
Misplaced overprint
(à cheval horizontally)

4.2 TA ERRORS AND VARIETIES

2 lepta E.T. (Royalist)



Two lower right imprint blocks
Letter «α» instead of «ά» on «Ἐθάρης» (position 90)



Right marginal pair
Inverted overprint

20 lepta E.T. (Royalist)



Lower right imprint block
Letter «α» instead of «ά» on
«Ἐθάρης» (position 90)
Both overprints misplaced



Pair
Inverted overprint on gummed front
Only one sheet is believed to exist

30 lepta E.T. (Royalist)



Lower right imprint block
Letter «α» instead of «ά» on
«Ἐθάρης» (position 90)

3 drachmas E.T. (Royalist)



Lower right corner stamp
Perforation missing due to
paper folding

5.1 WESTERN THRACE GREEK POSTMARKS

ΑΛΕΞΑΝΔΡΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ



TA 2 lepta lithographic block cancelled:
ΑΛΕΞΑΝΔΡΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ 2 ΜΑΪ 1922 ΑΦΙΞΙΣ



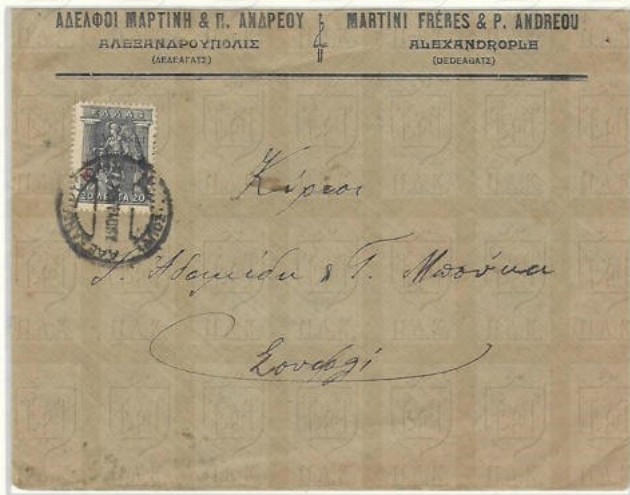
WTA 15 lepta lithographic
stamp cancelled:
ΑΛΕΞΑΝΔΡΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ
21 ΜΑΪ 1922 (ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΗ)



50 lepta definitive lithographic block cancelled:
ΑΛΕΞΑΝΔΡΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ 23 ΔΕΚ. 1922 (ΔΕΜΑΤΑ)

ΑΛΕΞΑΝΔΡΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ (ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΗ) ΑΦΙΞΙΣ (ΔΕΜΑΤΑ)

Following its liberation the city of Dedeagatch was first unofficially called Neapolis and then officially renamed to Alexandroupolis in honour of King Alexander I of the Hellenes



Cover from Alexandroupolis to Soufli
WTA 20 lepta E.T. (Royalist) stamp

Postmark at departure: ΑΛΕΞΑΝΔΡΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ 13 ΙΟΥΛ. 1921 (ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΗ)

Postmark at arrival: ΣΟΥΦΛΙΟΝ [day illegible] ΙΟΥΛ. 1921 (on reverse)

Total rate: 20 lepta, Domestic letter: 20 lepta

5.1 WESTERN THRACE GREEK POSTMARKS

ΓΙΑΣΙΚΙΟΪ



WTA 3 lepta lithographic block
Cancelled: ΓΙΑΣΙΚΙΟΪ 25 ΜΑΪ 921

ΓΚΙΟΥΜΟΥΛΤΖΙΝΑ (ΑΦΙΞΙΣ)



WTA 20 lepta lithographic E.T. (Royalist) on piece
Cancelled: ΓΚΙΟΥΜΟΥΛΤΖΙΝΑ (ΑΦΙΞΙΣ) 6 ΜΑΡ. 921

ΓΚΙΟΥΜΟΥΛΤΖΙΝΑ (ΔΕΜΑΤΑ)



WTA 50 lepta lithographic lower marginal pair
Plate 4 (manuscript)
Cancelled: ΓΚΙΟΥΜΟΥΛΤΖΙΝΑ (ΔΕΜΑΤΑ) 5 ΑΠΡ. 921

ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΑ ΤΑΧΥΡΟΜΗΤΙΑ
Postes Helleniques
ΕΝ ΤΩ ΕΣΤΕΡΝΩ
ΔΙΕΘΝΕΣ ΤΑΧΥΡΟΜΗΤΙΚΗ ΕΠΙΧΕΙΡΗΣΙΣ
MANDAT DE POSTE INTERNATIONALE

ΔΕΛΤΙΟΝ ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΕΩΣ
De la somme

Προσδιορισμός του δέματος: **ΔΕΜΑ ΚΙΒΩΤΙΟΝ ΚΥΤΙΟΝ**
Επιγραφή: **Ανδριανόπουλος**
Πληρωτέος εις: **Ανδριανόπουλος**
Περί τινος: **μαρσις**

Διεύθυνσις του παραλήπτη: **Υπογραφή και κατοικία του αποστολέως**
Χώρα ή κατοικία του παραλήπτη: **Άνω Αρσινούδων**
Παρά τον αποστολέαν: **Ημερομηνία**

Αριθμός έκδοσης: **Γραμμάριον 200** Προς τὸ Ταχ. Γραφείον
Ημερομηνία: **25 Μαΐ 1921**
Εξέδοται εις: **Αφίξις**

Ταχυγραφή του αποστολέως (επ'αλληλίας)
Signature de l'Agent qui a dressé le mandat

Place réservée pour les timbres-poste supplémentaires.

Χώρον πρὸς δεξιὰ ἄνω συμπληρωτέον.

ΓΚΙΟΥΜΟΥΛΤΖΙΝΑ
000199

International post-check used as parcel dispatch receipt (200 gr) from Gumuljina to Andrinople
Three WTA 25 lepta lithographic stamps
Postmarks at departure: ΓΚΙΟΥΜΟΥΛΤΖΙΝΑ (ΔΕΜΑΤΑ) 7 ΑΠΡ. 921
Total rate: 75 lepta = Parcel up to 1kg: 75 lepta

5.1 WESTERN THRACE GREEK POSTMARKS

ΓΚΙΟΥΜΟΥΑΤΖΙΝΑ



Cover from Gumuldjina to Athens

WTA 20 lepta E.T. (Royalist)
lithographic stamp

Postmark at departure:
ΓΚΙΟΥΜΟΥΑΤΖΙΝΑ 19 ΦΕΒ. 21

Postmark at arrival:

22 ΦΕΒ. 21 10Π

(machine cancellation)

Total rate: 20 lepta =
Domestic letter: 20 lepta

E.T. (Royalist) misplaced overprint



Cover from Gumuldjina to Rethymnon (Crete)

WTA 5 and 15 lepta lithographic stamps

Postmark at departure: ΓΚΙΟΥΜΟΥΑΤΖΙΝΑ 9 ΝΟΕ. 20

Postmark at arrival: ΡΕΘΥΜΝΟΝ 14 ΝΟΕ. 20 15Ε ΠΑΡΑΛΑΒΗ

Total rate: 20 lepta = Domestic letter: 20 lepta

5.1 WESTERN THRACE GREEK POSTMARKS

ΔΕΔΕΑΓΑΤΣ



WTA 10 lepta lithographic pair
Cancelled: Type II ΔΕΔΕΑΓΑΤΣ 10 ΜΑΙ. 921

ΔΕΔΕΑΓΑΤΣ (ΔΕΜΑΤΑ)



TA 20 lepta lithographic pair
Cancelled: ΔΕΔΕΑΓΑΤΣ (ΔΕΜΑΤΑ) 13 ΑΥΓ. 921



WTA 50 lepta lithographic block
Cancelled: Type I ΔΕΔΕΑΓΑΤΣ 6 ΙΟΥΛ. 20

Reverse view (reduced)



Cover from Dedeagatsch to Soufli
WTA 20 lepta E.T. (Royalist) stamp
Postmark at departure: Type II ΔΕΔΕΑΓΑΤΣ 31 ΜΑΡ. 921
Postmark at arrival: ΣΟΥΦΛΙ 1 ΑΠΡ. 21
Total rate: 20 lepta = Domestic letter: 20 lepta

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ΔΕΔΕΑΓΑΤΣ



Reverse view (reduced)

Cover from Dedeagatch to Serres via Drama

Sender from Skopos
 (Included letter written at Skopos is dated October 9, 1920)

WTA 5 and 15 lepta lithographic stamps

Postmark at departure:
 ΔΕΔΕΑΓΑΤΣ 12 ΟΚΤ. 20
 Postmark in transit:
 ΑΡΑΜΑ 14 ΟΚΤ. 20
 (on reverse)
 Postmark at arrival:
 ΣΕΡΡΑΙ 15 ΟΚΤ. 20
 (on reverse)

Total rate: 20 lepta =
 Domestic letter: 20 lepta



Front view (reduced)

Registered cover from Dedeagatch to Athens

WTA 10 lepta E.T. (Royalist) block

Postmark at departure:
 ΔΕΔΕΑΓΑΤΣ 20 ΑΥΓ. 20

Postmark at arrival:
 ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 22 ΑΥΓ. 20 7Ε (ΑΦΙΞΙΣ)

Total rate: 40 lepta =
 Domestic letter: 20 lepta
 Registered letter: 20 lepta



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ΔΙΔΥΜΟΤΕΙΧΟΝ



WTA 5 lepta lithographic pair cancelled:
Type I ΔΙΔΥΜΟΤΕΙΧΟΝ 17 ΙΟΥΛ. 20



WTA 15 lepta lithographic strip of three
Cancelled: Type II ΔΙΔΥΜΟΤΕΙΧΟΝ 19 ΑΠΡ. 923



WTA 15 lepta lithographic pair cancelled:
Type II ΔΙΔΥΜΟΤΕΙΧΟΝ 6 ΝΟΕ. 921
*On stamp to the right word «ΑΙΟΛΟΓΙΣ»
starts at the right of word «ΑΙΤΑΧΙΣ»
instead of the left (position 59)*

Fragment of international post-check issued at Didymoteichon
WTA 15 lepta lithographic stamp and a combination of other not overprinted values



Postmarks at departure:
Type II ΔΙΔΥΜΟΤΕΙΧΟΝ 3 ΜΑΡ. 923

Postmarks at arrival:
ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 7 ΜΑΡ 23 8^h (ΕΠΙΤΑΓΙΑ)
[Missing upper part] (ΑΦΕΙΣ)
(both on reverse)

Total rate: 8 drachmas and 65 lepta

International post-check used as parcel dispatch receipt (450 gr) from Didymoteichon to Dedeagatch
WTA 15 lepta lithographic horizontal strip of five

ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΗ ΔΗΜΟΚΡΑΤΙΑ
ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΟ ΤΑΧΥΔΕΛΤΙΟ

ΔΙΔΥΜΟΤΕΙΧΟΝ

ΔΕΛΤΙΟ
De la somme

Σε δραχμάς και λεπτά. — En chiffres arabes. **512, κερδόντων κενός 1,**
κασιδιάρης του δελτιού **κατάθεσις**

Παραγραφή (Ονομασία του αποστολέως. — En toutes lettres et en caractères latins.)
Παράστα τ. Κ. 1
Payable à M. } **Ες Δεδομένος**

Τόπος προορισμού (Lieu de destination)
Διεύθυνση του παραλήπτη (Adresse du destinataire) **Υπογραφή και κατοικία του αποστολέως**

Όνομα του παραλήπτη (Nom de destination) **Εως Κορυφίου**

Αριθμός εκδόσεως (Numéro d'émission) **450**

Ημερομηνία εκδόσεως (Date d'émission) **3 Μαΐου 1923**

Ποσό δόσεως (Montant expéditeur) **214**

Τοπος εκδόσεως (Lieu de l'émission) **ΔΙΔΥΜΟΤΕΙΧΟΝ**

Τοπος παραλήπτη (Lieu de l'agent qui a dressé le mandat) **Δεδαγάτς**

Αξία (Valeur) **214**

Αριθμός (N^o) **214**

Αριθμός (N^o) **214**

Αξία (Valeur) **214**

Αριθμός (N^o) **214**

Postmarks at departure:
Type I ΔΙΔΥΜΟΤΕΙΧΟΝ
3 ΜΑΙ. 21

Total rate: 75 lepta =
Parcel up to 1kg: 75 lepta

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ΚΑΡΑΓΑΤΣ



WTA 3, 5 and 15 lepta lithographic vertical pairs on piece cancelled: ΚΑΡΑΓΑΤΣ 26 ΜΑΪ 20
The postmark shows wrong year "05"



WTA 2 and 20 lepta lithographic horizontal pairs cancelled:
ΚΑΡΑΓΑΤΣ 5 ΣΕΠ 20 (Type I)
ΚΑΡΑΓΑΤΣ 30 ΙΟΥΝ. 923 (Type II)



WTA 1 lepton lithographic and 2 lepta E.T. (Royalist) vertical pairs on piece cancelled: ΚΑΡΑΓΑΤΣ 27 ΜΑΪ 20
The postmark shows wrong year "05"

Postcard (Bulgarian) from Karagatch to Athens via Gumuldjina

Postmarks at departure: ΚΑΡΑΓΑΤΣ 31 ΜΑΪ 20

Postmark in transit: ΓΚΙΟΥΜΟΥΑΤΖΙΝΑ 31 ΜΑΪ 20

Two WTA 3 lepta lithographic and a 2 lepta E.T. (Royalist) vertical pair

Total rate: 10 lepta = Domestic postcard: 10 lepta

■ This postcard shows Sultan Selim II mosque in Andrinople and was sent by K. Koukkidis to the editor of the "ΕΣΤΙΑ" daily newspaper Achilles Kyrou



Front view (reduced)



НЕ ТЯЖЕ СЪВЪРШАВА СЕ НИШЕ СЪМО ВЪРЩЕТА.

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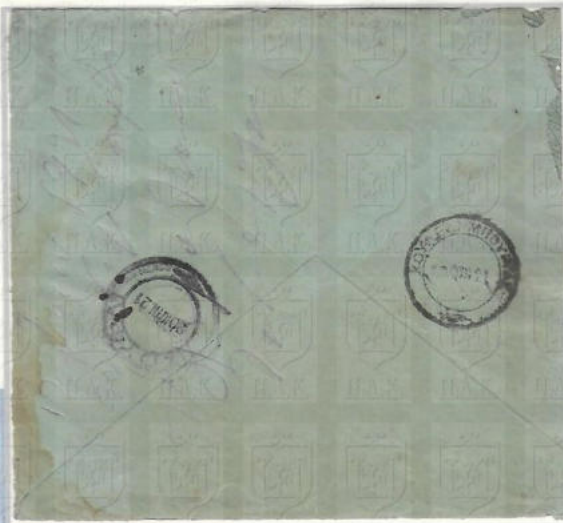
ΚΟΥΛΕΛΙ-ΜΠΟΥΡΓΑΣ



WTA 5 lepta lithographic
block cancelled:
ΚΟΥΛΕΛΙ-ΜΠΟΥΡΓΑΣ 27 ΑΥΓ. 20



WTA 15 lepta lithographic
pair cancelled:
ΚΟΥΛΕΛΙ-ΜΠΟΥΡΓΑΣ 22 ΑΙΠ. 23



Front view (reduced)

Cover from Dedegatch to Soufli via Kouleli-Bourgas

TA 20 lepta stamp

Postmark at departure: ΔΕΔΕΓΑΤΣ (ΔΕΜΑΤΑ) 18 ΙΟΥΝ. 2

Postmark in transit: ΚΟΥΛΕΛΙ-ΜΠΟΥΡΓΑΣ 19 ΙΟΥΝ. 2

Postmark at arrival: ΣΟΥΦΛΙ 20 ΙΟΥΝ. 2

Total rate: 20 lepta = Domestic letter: 20 lepta

ΜΙΚΡΟΝ ΔΕΡΕΙΟΝ

ΜΑΡΩΝΕΙΑ



WTA 15 lepta lithographic
stamp cancelled:
ΜΙΚΡΟΝ ΔΕΡΕΙΟΝ 2 ΙΟΥΛ. 2[7]



WTA 1 lepton horizontal lithographic
pair on piece cancelled:
ΜΑΡΩΝΕΙΑ 25 ΜΑΪ 20



10 stotinki Bulgarian postcard overprinted THRACE INTERALLIEE

Cancelled to order: ΜΑΡΩΝΕΙΑ 25 ΜΑΪ 20

WTA 1, 2, 3, 5 and 15 lepta lithographic stamps

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ΞΑΝΘΗ

(Article IX du Règlement) A. Υπόδ. 4908-42

MINISTÈRE DES COMMUNICATIONS
ΥΠΟΥΡΓΕΙΟΝ ΣΥΓΚΟΙΝΩΝΙΑΣ
 ΔΙΕΥΘΥΝΣΙΣ Τ. Τ. Γ.

AVIS DE RÉCEPTION
ΑΠΟΔΕΙΞΙΣ ΠΑΡΑΛΑΒΗΣ

recommandé enregistré sous le No *111*
 και ονομασία αποστολέων *George Klenderer*
 et adressé à M. *George Klenderer*
 με διεύθυνση: *9/7/21*
 le *29* 19*21*
 τη *29*

Le soussigné déclare qu' un objet recom-
 mandé et enregistré sous le No *111*
 'Ο υπογεγραμμένος δηλώνει ότι ένα ονομασθέν αντικείμενο
 mandé à l'adresse susmentionnée et proven-
 ant de *München*
 mant de *München*
 μένον έκ
 a été dûment livré le *29. Juli* 19*21*
 παρεδόθη προσοφείτως τη *29*

Signature* Υπογραφή*
 Du destinataire *George Klenderer* Du chef du bureau
 Του παραλήπτη Του αποστολέου του Γραφείου

George Klenderer

* Cet avis doit être signé par le destinataire, ou, si les règle-
 ments du pays de destination le permettent, par le chef du bureau
 distributeur, puis être mis sous enveloppe et envoyé, par le premier
 courrier, au bureau d'origine de l' objet qu' il concerne.

* Η απόδειξη αυτή δεν να υπογραφη από τον παραλήπτη, ή εάν οι
 κανονισμοί του τόπου του προορισμού το επιτρέπουν, από τον προϊ-
 ονταίο του Γραφείου της διεύθυνσης, να ισηθ ή εν φακέλλο και απο-
 σταλή διά πρώτον ταχυδρομισμό, εις τόπος της διεύθυνσης του από το
 πρόσωπον αποστολέου.

Prepaid delivery receipt of registered mail from Xanthi to Munich (Germany) via Salonica
 WTA 50 lepta

Postmarks at departure: ΞΑΝΘΗ 9 ΙΟΥΛ. 21 and ΘΕΣΣΑΛΟΝΙΚΗ 11 ΙΟΥΛ. 21 (on reverse)

Postmark at arrival: MÜNCHEN 2.B.Z. 6 AUG. 21 V.7-8W

Total rate: 50 lepta - International letter: 50 lepta

■ The only known to date

5.1 WESTERN THRACE GREEK POSTMARKS

ΞΑΝΘΗ



WTA 1 lepton lithographic stamp
Cancelled:
Type I ΞΑΝΘΗ 2 ΙΟΥΑ. 20



WTA 10 lepta lithographic
lower marginal pair
Cancelled:
Type II ΞΑΝΘΗ 8 ΙΟΥΝ. 921



WTA 25 lepta vertical pair, upper marginal single and single stamps, TA 5 lepta lithographic pair and 10 lepta definitive lithographic pair and horizontal strip of three

Postmarks at departure: ΞΑΝΘΗ 4 ΝΟΕ. 2

Postmark in transit: ΘΕΣΣΑΛΟΝΙΚΗ 6 ΝΟΕ. 2

Postmarks at destination: PRAHA 24.XL22 IX CIZINA - ETRANGE

ZIZKOV 1 24.XL22 - 3 C. [rest illegible]

Total rate: 1.6 drachma

International letter: 80 lepta

Registered letter: 80 lepta

ΞΑΝΘΗ (ΔΕΜΑΤΑ)



TA 10 lepta lithographic block
Cancelled:
ΞΑΝΘΗ (ΔΕΜΑΤΑ) 21 ΔΕΚ. 921



WTA 30 lepta lithographic pair
Cancelled: ΞΑΝΘΗ (ΔΕΜΑΤΑ) 28 ΑΥΓ. 922
Word «ΞΑΝΘΗ» starts at the right of word
«ΔΕΜΑΤΑ» instead of the left (positions 59 and 60)



WTA 50 lepta lithographic block
Cancelled:
ΞΑΝΘΗ (ΔΕΜΑΤΑ) 17 ΙΑΝ. 922

5.1 WESTERN THRACE GREEK POSTMARKS



Registered cover from Xanthi to Havana (Cuba) via Salonique and New York (U.S.A.)

WTA 5 lepta lithographic and 20 lepta E.T. (Royalist) horizontal pair

Postmark at departure:

ΞΑΝΘΗ / ΧΑΝΘΗ 25 ΑΥΤ. 20

Postmark at transit:

ΘΕΣΣΑΛΟΝΙΚΗ 26 ΑΥΤ. 20

(on reverse)

NEW YORK 9-26 1920 REGY DI

(on reverse)

Total rate: 50 lepta =

International letter: 25 lepta,

Registered international: 25 lepta

■ Rare destination



[Bilingual] ΞΑΝΘΗ / ΧΑΝΘΗ

Reverse view (reduced)



Registered cover from Xanthi to Sofia (Bulgaria), locally redirected at arrival

WTA 15 lepta lithographic right marginal block of five

Postmark at departure:

ΞΑΝΘΗ / ΧΑΝΘΗ

3 ΑΕΚ. 20

Postmarks at arrival:

СОФИЯ / SOPHIA

24 XII 920

СОФИЯ 329 / SOPHIA 329

27 XII 920

Total rate: 75 lepta =

international letter: 50 lepta

Registered letter: 25 lepta

5.1 WESTERN THRACE GREEK POSTMARKS

ΟΡΕΣΤΙΑΣ



TA 5 lepta lithographic pair cancelled:
ΟΡΕΣΤΙΑΣ 6 ΣΕΠ 22



TA 20 lepta lithographic cancelled:
ΟΡΕΣΤΙΑΣ [date illegible]

ΟΡΕΣΤΙΑΣ (ΕΠΙΤΑΓΑΙ)



TA 5 lepta lithographic stamp and a
30 lepta "Lithographic" issue vertical pair
Cancelled:
ΟΡΕΣΤΙΑΣ (ΕΠΙΤΑΓΑΙ) [date illegible]



TA 5 lepta lithographic pair cancelled:
ΟΡΕΣΤΙΑΣ (ΕΠΙΤΑΓΑΙ) [date illegible]

ΟΡΕΣΤΙΑΣ (ΔΕΜΑΤΑ)



TA 5 lepta lithographic pair cancelled:
ΟΡΕΣΤΙΑΣ (ΔΕΜΑΤΑ) [date illegible]

ΠΟΡΤΟ ΛΑΓΟΣ



WTA 5 lepta lithographic
Cancelled:
ΠΟΡΤΟ ΛΑΓΟΣ 22 ΜΑΪ 20

Postcard from
Soufli to Kalamata

Three WTA 5 lepta stamps

Postmarks at departure:
ΣΟΥΦΛΙ 1 ΣΕΠ 20

Total rate: 15 lepta =
Domestic postcard: 10 lepta
(over paid)

ΣΟΥΦΛΙ



WTA 2 lepta lithographic horizontal strip of three
Cancelled: ΣΟΥΦΛΙ 13 ΙΟΥΛ. 20



WTA 3, 5, 10 and 15 lepta lithographic stamps
Partially cancelled: ΣΟΥΦΛΙ [dates invisible]

5.1 WESTERN THRACE GREEK POSTMARKS

ΣΟΥΦΛΙ



Registered cover from Soufli to Constantinople via Andrinople

Two WTA 25 lepta stamps

Postmark at departure:

ΣΟΥΦΛΙ 27 ΝΟΕ. 20

Postmark in transit:

ΑΔΡΙΑΝΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ 28 ΝΟΕ. 20

Total rate: 50 lepta =

International letter: 25 lepta

Registered letter: 25 lepta



TA 20 lepta lithographic vertical pair on piece

Cancelled: ΣΟΥΦΛΙ 21 [?]

ΦΕΡΑΙ



WTA 1 lepta lithographic upper marginal block


Cancelled: ΦΕΡΑΙ 14 ΜΑΙ. 20

Slightly misplaced perforation



WTA 1, 2, 15 and 25 lepta lithographic stamps on piece

Cancelled: ΣΟΥΦΛΙ 15 ΜΑΙ. 20

 The day the liberation of Western Thrace by the Hellenic Army was peacefully completed



WTA 50 lepta lithographic block

Cancelled: ΣΟΥΦΛΙ 30 ΜΑΡ. 21



TA 20 lepta lithographic pair

Cancelled: ΦΕΡΑΙ 15 ΜΑΡ. 23



TA 25 lepta lithographic stamp

Cancelled: ΦΕΡΑΙ 11 ΦΕΒ. 23

5.2 EASTERN THRACE GREEK POSTMARKS ΑΔΙΑΝΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ

■ Letters of the Greek High Commissioner in Thrace, Antonios Sactouris, addressed to his wife Olga residing at Victoria Hotel in Glion and subsequently at the Palace Hotel in Lausanne, Switzerland

Registered cover
from Andrinople
to Glion (Switzerland)

THC 50 lepta

Postmark at departure:
ΑΔΙΑΝΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ 26 ΑΥΤ. 20
Postmark in transit:
ΘΕΣΣΑΛΟΝΙΚΗ 28 ΑΥΤ. 20
Postmarks at arrival:
MONTREUX 1 16 IX 20 - 7
II LETTRES
GLION 16 IX 20 - 9

Total rate: 50 lepta =
International letter: 25 lepta
Registered letter: 25 lepta

Reverse view (reduced)



Registered cover
from Andrinople
to Lausanne (Switzerland)

THC 5. 20 and 50 lepta

Postmarks at departure:
ΑΔΙΑΝΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ 12 ΣΕΠΤ. 20
Postmark in transit:
ΘΕΣΣΑΛΟΝΙΚΗ 14 ΣΕΠΤ. 20
Postmark at arrival:
LAUSANNE GARE 4 X 20 - 17
DIST. LETTRES

Total rate: 75 lepta =
International letter (2): 50 lepta
Registered letter: 25 lepta

Reverse view
(reduced)



Letters of the Greek Governor General of Thrace, Antonios Sactouris, addressed to his wife Olga residing at Palace Hotel in Lausanne, Switzerland and subsequently at the Regina Hotel in Paris, France

5.2 EASTERN THRACE GREEK POSTMARKS

HAUT COMMISSAIRE DE GRÈCE
EN THRACE



Madame

Reverse view (reduced)

ΑΔΡΙΑΝΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ

Wax sealed registered cover from Andrinople to Lausanne (Switzerland) redirected to Paris (France)

TA 25 lepta lithographic lower marginal horizontal pair

Postmark at departure:
ΑΔΡΙΑΝΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ 21 ΣΕΠ.
Postmark in transit:
ΘΕΣΣΑΛΟΝΙΚΗ 25 ΣΕΠ. 20
Postmark at arrival:
LAUSANNE 11 GARE II
18 x 20 -22 DEST. LETTRES
LAUSANNE 1 II 19 X 20 -7
CASES
LAUSANNE 1 19 X 20 -15
CONSIG. LETTRES

Total rate: 50 lepta =
International letter: 25 lepta
Registered letter: 25 lepta

HAUT COMMISSAIRE DE GRÈCE
EN THRACE



*A. Sactouris,
Governor General of Thrace,
Palace Hotel
Lausanne
Switzerland*

Reverse view (reduced)

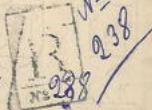
Registered cover from Andrinople to Paris (France)

TA 25 lepta lithographic vertical pair

Postmarks at departure:
ΑΔΡΙΑΝΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ 22 ΟΚΤ. 20
Postmark in transit:
ΘΕΣΣΑΛΟΝΙΚΗ 24 ΟΚΤ. 20

Total rate: 50 lepta =
International letter: 25 lepta
Registered letter: 25 lepta

*Madame
Olga d. Sactouris
Hôtel Regina,
Place Rivoli,
Paris
France*



5.2 EASTERN THRACE GREEK POSTMARKS

ΑΔΡΙΑΝΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ

Old Ottoman stationery printed in Greek for use by the P.T.T. Director of the Governorate General of Thrace

ΕΠΙΧΡΗΜΑΤΙΣΤΗΣ ΕΠΙΧΕΙΡΗΣΕΩΣ

Front view (reduced)



Handwritten address: *Volos*

Cover from Andrinople to Volos via Salonica

TA 5 lepta lithographic lower marginal corner block

Postmark at departure:

ΑΔΡΙΑΝΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ

18 ΔΕΚ. 20

Postmark in transit:

ΘΕΣΣΑΛΟΝΙΚΗ (ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΗ)

19 ΔΕΚ. 20 5Π

Postmark at arrival:

ΒΟΛΟΣ (ΑΦΙΞΕΙΣ)

22 ΔΕΚ. 20 11Π

Total rate: 20 lepta =

Domestic letter: 20 lepta

Reverse view (reduced)

Registered cover from Andrinople to Constantinople

TA 25 lepta right marginal and 50 lepta lithographic stamps

Postmark at departure:
ΑΔΡΙΑΝΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ 20 ΟΚΤ. 20

Total rate: 75 lepta =

International letter: 50 lepta

Registered letter: 25 lepta



DAVID B. ELJEZER - ΑΔΡΙΑΝΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ

Handwritten address: *Constantinople*



Postcard (Ottoman) from Andrinople to Athens

TA 10 lepta lithographic

Postmark at departure:

ΑΔΡΙΑΝΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ 22 ΜΑΪ 21

Total rate: 10 lepta =

Domestic postcard: 10 lepta

■ The sender announces his arrival at Andrinople in order to rank himself at the Army of Thrace

5.2 EASTERN THRACE GREEK POSTMARKS ΔΑΡΙΑΝΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ

Registered cover from Andrinople
to Württemberg (Germany)

TA 10 leptas lithographic
30 leptas E.T. (Royalist)
vertical strip of three

Postmarks at departure:
ΔΑΡΙΑΝΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ 18 ΣΕΠΤ. 21

Total rate: 1 drachma =
International letter (3): 75 leptas
Registered international: 25 leptas

■ Cover opened
by the Customs
Authorities at
destination

Control cancels and labels of the German Authorities:

White label and violet circular cancel:

Checked by Monitoring Station in Munich

Pink label:

Content subject to import duty in Germany

Yellowish label and black circular cancel:

Checked by Transit Customs Station of Post Office Stuttgart No.1

Light blue-greenish label with inscription:

Cleared by the Customs Authorities in Stuttgart

Letterhead stamp "Zollfrei":

Customs free

Three lined lettered stamp "Porto:" "Zoll:" "Verz. Geb.":

Scheduled fees 100



Front view (reduced)

Rear of cover from Andrinople to Constantinople

TA 5 leptas lithographic horizontal pair
20 leptas definitive "Lithographic" issue horizontal pair

Postmark at departure:

ΔΑΡΙΑΝΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ (ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΗ) [date illegible]
ΔΑΡΙΑΝΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ (ΑΦΙΞΙΣ) [?] MAP. 1922 (Type II)

Postmark at arrival:

BRITISH POST OFFICE
CONSTANTINOPLE C 23 MR 22

Total rate: 50 leptas =
International letter: 50 leptas

■ Mixed franking



5.2 EASTERN THRACE GREEK POSTMARKS

ΑΙΝΟΣ



TA 20 lepta E.T. (Royalist)
Cancelled: ΑΙΝΟΣ 15 ΙΑΝ. [?]

ΑΛΟΠΗ



TA 10 lepta right marginal lithographic
Cancelled: ΑΛΟΠΗ 27 [?]



TA 20 lepta E.T. (Royalist) pair
Cancelled: ΑΛΟΠΗ 27 ΑΥΓ. 1922

ΑΛΠΟΛΟΥ



TA 2 lepta lithographic on piece
Cancelled: ΑΛΠΟΛΟΥ 17 ΣΕΠ. 22

ΑΝΑΚΤΟΡΙΑ



TA 20 lepta lithographic left marginal vertical pair
Cancelled: ΑΝΑΚΤΟΡΙΑ 2 ΣΕΠ 21



TA 1, 2 and 3 lepta lithographic on visiting card cover
Cancelled to order: ΑΝΑΚΤΟΡΙΑ 18 ΑΥΓ. 22

ΑΡΚΑΔΙΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ



TA 5 lepta lithographic cancelled:
ΑΡΚΑΔΙΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ 30 ΑΥΓ. 21



TA 3 lepta lithographic block cancelled:
ΑΡΚΑΔΙΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ 27 ΟΚΤ. 20

ΑΡΤΙΣΚΟΣ



TA 20 lepta lithographic
left corner vertical pair cancelled:
ΑΡΤΙΣΚΟΣ 1 ΜΑΡ. 22



TA 5 lepta lithographic cancelled:
ΑΡΤΙΣΚΟΣ 21 ΑΠΡ. 1922



TA 10 lepta lithographic pair cancelled:
ΑΡΤΙΣΚΟΣ 27 ΙΟΥΝ. 1922

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BIZYH



TA 5 lepta E.T. (Royalist)
Cancelled: BIZYH 24 IAN. 22



TA 20 lepta lithographic on piece
Cancelled: BIZYH 11 ΣΕΠ. 21



TA 10 lepta right marginal
lithographic cancelled:
BIZYH 7 OKT. 21

BPYΣH



TA 5 lepta lithographic cancelled:
BPYΣH 10 MAΪ. 21



TA 10 lepta lithographic
Cancelled: BPYΣH 21 [?]



TA 10 lepta lithographic cancelled:
BPYΣH 10 MAΪ. 21



TA 5 lepta lithographic horizontal strip of three
Cancelled: BPYΣH 3 AYΓ. 22

ΔPOΓKYAIA



TA 5 lepta lithographic cancelled:
ΔPOΓKYAIA 14 IOYH. 21



TA 25 lepta lithographic cancelled:
ΔPOΓKYAIA [?] OKT. 21



TA 5 lepta lithographic
Cancelled: EBPEΣ 5 OKT. 21



TA 5 lepta lithographic
Cancelled: EBPEΣ 31 ΔEK. [?]

EBPEΣ



TA 5 lepta lithographic cancelled:
HPAKAIEIA 31 IOYA. [?]



TA 10 lepta lithographic
right marginal stamp cancelled:
HPAKAIEIA [?] IOYH. 22



TA 10 lepta lithographic horizontal pair
Cancelled: HPAKAIEIA 20 IOYH. 22



TA 20 lepta lithographic cancelled:
HPAKAIEIA [date illegible]

HPAKAIEIA

5.2 EASTERN THRACE GREEK POSTMARKS

ΕΛΕΥΘΕΡΑΙ (ΘΡΑΚΗΣ)



TA 5 lepta lithographic vertical pair cancelled:
ΕΛΕΥΘΕΡΑΙ (ΘΡΑΚΗΣ) [date illegible]



TA 5 lepta lithographic and 5 lepta National Welfare
Cancelled: ΕΛΕΥΘΕΡΑΙ (ΘΡΑΚΗΣ) 12 ΙΑΝ. 22



Two TA 5 lepta lithographic and a horizontal pair on piece
Cancelled: ΕΛΕΥΘΕΡΑΙ (ΘΡΑΚΗΣ) 1 ΟΚΤ. 21



TA 5 lepta lithographic
horizontal pair cancelled:
ΕΛΕΥΘΕΡΑΙ (ΘΡΑΚΗΣ) 8 ΜΑΡ. [?]



TA 20 lepta lithographic cancelled:
ΕΛΕΥΘΕΡΑΙ (ΘΡΑΚΗΣ) 11 ΜΑΙ. 21



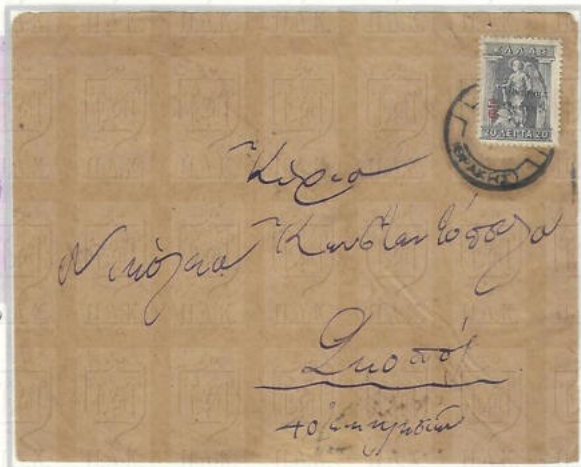
TA 20 lepta lithographic cancelled:
ΕΛΕΥΘΕΡΑΙ (ΘΡΑΚΗΣ) 3 ΑΥΓ. [?]



TA 25 lepta lithographic cancelled:
ΕΛΕΥΘΕΡΑΙ (ΘΡΑΚΗΣ) [?] 20



Reverse view (reduced)



Cover from Eleftherai (Thracis) to Skopos via Saranta Ekklesiai
TA 20 lepta E.T. (Royalist) attached after cancelling
Postmark at departure: ΕΛΕΥΘΕΡΑΙ (ΘΡΑΚΗΣ) [date missing]
Postmark in transit: ΣΑΡΑΝΤΑ ΕΚΚΛΗΣΙΑΙ 3 ΣΕΠ. 21
Postmark at arrival: ΣΚΟΠΟΣ 4 ΣΕΠ. 21
Total rate: 20 lepta = Domestic letter: 20 lepta

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ΚΑΛΙΠΟΛΙΣ



TA 5 lepta lithographic horizontal pair
Cancelled: ΚΑΛΙΠΟΛΙΣ 1 ΝΟΕ. 21



TA 5 lepta lithographic horizontal strip of three
Cancelled: ΚΑΛΙΠΟΛΙΣ 9 ΑΠΡ. 22



TA 20 lepta lithographic horizontal pair
Cancelled: ΚΑΛΙΠΟΛΙΣ 9 ΔΕΚ. 21



TA 5 and 10 lepta
lithographic on parcel
dispatch receipt piece
Cancelled:
ΚΑΛΙΠΟΛΙΣ 1 ΑΠΡ. 21

TA 10 lepta lithographic strip
of four on piece cancelled:
ΚΑΛΙΠΟΛΙΣ 19 ΝΟΕ. 21

ΚΑΛΙΠΟΛΙΣ (ΕΠΙΤΑΓΑΙ)

TA 20 lepta Lithographic issue strip
of three on post-check piece cancelled:
ΚΑΛΙΠΟΛΙΣ (ΕΠΙΤΑΓΑΙ) 1 ΜΑΡ. 22



ΚΕΣΣΑΝΗ



TA 5 lepta lithographic horizontal pair
Cancelled: ΚΕΣΣΑΝΗ 7 ΣΕΠ. 21



TA 5 lepta lithographic cancelled:
ΚΕΣΣΑΝΗ 1 ΑΠΡ. 22



TA 5 lepta lithographic cancelled:
ΚΕΣΣΑΝΗ 12 ΙΟΥΛ. 21



TA 25 lepta lithographic on piece
Cancelled: ΚΕΣΣΑΝΗ 4 ΙΑΝ. 22



TA 20 lepta E.T. (Royalist) on piece
Cancelled: ΚΕΣΣΑΝΗ 9 ΜΑΡ. 21



TA 5 lepta lithographic cancelled:
ΚΕΣΣΑΝΗ (ΕΠΙΤΑΓΑΙ) 27 ΔΕΚ. [21]

ΚΕΣΣΑΝΗ (ΕΠΙΤΑΓΑΙ)



TA 25 lepta lithographic on piece
Cancelled: ΚΕΣΣΑΝΗ 9 ΜΑΡ. 21



TA 10 lepta lithographic pair cancelled:
ΚΕΣΣΑΝΗ (ΕΠΙΤΑΓΑΙ) 2 ΙΟΥΝ. 22



Two TA 5 lepta lithographic and a 1 drachma Lithographic issue
Cancelled: ΚΕΣΣΑΝΗ (ΕΠΙΤΑΓΑΙ) 12 ΜΑΡ. 22

5.2 EASTERN THRACE GREEK POSTMARKS

ΜΑΚΡΑ ΓΕΦΥΡΑ



■ Addressed to Catherine M. Evert, mother of Angelos M. Evert (1894-1970), announcing her son's (then Second Lieutenant of the Gendarmerie) assignment as Police Commander at Gallipoli. As Chief of the Athens Police during the German occupation (WWII), he saved many Jews from arrest, deportation and death. He was the father of minister, mayor of Athens and president of "New Democracy" political party Miltiades A. Evert (1939-2011)

Notice the endorsed codified (shorthand) text in different ink

Reverse view (reduced)

Postcard (French)
 from Makra Gefyra to Athens

Two TA 5 lepta lithographic stamps

Postmark at departure:
 ΜΑΚΡΑ ΓΕΦΥΡΑ 23 NOE. 20

Total rate: 10 lepta =
 Domestic postcard: 10 lepta



TA 10 lepta lithographic horizontal pair
 Cancelled: ΜΑΚΡΑ ΓΕΦΥΡΑ 19 IOYA. 21

TA 10 lepta lithographic block
 Cancelled: ΜΑΚΡΑ ΓΕΦΥΡΑ 12 NOE. 21



TA 25 lepta lithographic horizontal pair
 Cancelled: ΜΑΚΡΑ ΓΕΦΥΡΑ 23 MAI. 22

ΜΑΚΡΑ ΓΕΦΥΡΑ (ΕΠΙΤΑΓΑΙ)



TA 10 lepta lithographic horizontal pair
 Cancelled: ΜΑΚΡΑ ΓΕΦΥΡΑ (ΕΠΙΤΑΓΑΙ) 25 NOE. 21



1 drachma "Lithographic" issue horizontal strip of three
 Cancelled: ΜΑΚΡΑ ΓΕΦΥΡΑ (ΕΠΙΤΑΓΑΙ) 23 MAI. 22

5.2 EASTERN THRACE GREEK POSTMARKS

ΚΙΛΙΑ-ΜΠΑΧΡ



TA 10 lepta lithographic horizontal pair
Cancelled: ΚΙΛΙΑ-ΜΠΑΧΡ 28 ΔΕΚ. 921



TA 20 lepta lithographic horizontal strip of three
Cancelled: ΚΙΛΙΑ-ΜΠΑΧΡ [?] ΑΥΓ. 921



TA 20 lepta lithographic horizontal pair
Cancelled: ΚΙΛΙΑ-ΜΠΑΧΡ 13 ΟΚΤ. 921

ΜΑΛΓΑΡΑ



TA 10 lepta lithographic horizontal pair
Cancelled: ΜΑΛΓΑΡΑ 21 ΜΑΪ. 22



TA 10 lepta lithographic vertical pair
Cancelled: ΜΑΛΓΑΡΑ 22 ΝΟΕ. 21



TA 20 lepta lithographic horizontal pair
Cancelled: ΜΑΛΓΑΡΑ 20 ΑΠΡ. 22



TA 20 lepta lithographic right marginal stamp cancelled
ΜΑΛΓΑΡΑ 22 ΣΕΠ. 21

ΜΗΔΕΙΑ



TA 5 lepta lithographic cancelled:
ΜΗΔΕΙΑ [date illegible]



TA 5 lepta lithographic block
Cancelled: ΜΗΔΕΙΑ 30 ΙΟΥΝ. 21

ΜΥΡΙΟΦΥΤΟΝ



TA 2 lepta lithographic block
Cancelled: ΜΥΡΙΟΦΥΤΟΝ 15 ΜΑΪ. 21



TA 5 lepta lithographic block
Cancelled: ΜΗΔΕΙΑ 2 ΟΚΤ. 21



TA 20 lepta lithographic cancelled:
ΜΥΡΙΟΦΥΤΟΝ [date illegible]

ΝΙΚΗ



TA 5 lepta lithographic vertical pair cancelled:
ΝΙΚΗ 27 ΣΕΠ. [?]



TA 5 lepta lithographic vertical pair cancelled:
ΝΙΚΗ 18 ΣΕΠ. 20



TA 5 lepta lithographic on piece
Cancelled: ΜΥΡΙΟΦΥΤΟΝ 21 ΜΑΪ. 21



TA 10 lepta lithographic horizontal pair
Cancelled: ΜΥΡΙΟΦΥΤΟΝ 6 ΑΥΓ. 21



TA 5 lepta lithographic horizontal strip of three
Cancelled: ΝΙΚΗ 24 ΣΕΠ. 22

5.2 EASTERN THRACE
GREEK POSTMARKS

ΠΕΡΙΣΤΑΣΙΣ



Reverse view (reduced)

Cover from Peristasis
to Constantinople via Rodosto

A 5 lepta lithographic horizontal pair

Postmark at departure:
ΠΕΡΙΣΤΑΣΙΣ 31 ΔΕΚ. 20

Postmark in transit:
ΡΑΙΑΔΕΣΤΟΣ 3 ΙΑΝ. 21

Postmark at arrival:
ΤΑΧ. ΤΟΜΕΥΣ 920 5 ΙΑΝ. 21

Total rate: 10 lepta =

International letter: 50 lepta
(reduced military tariff)



Postcard from Peristasis
to Syllivria via Rodosto

TA 5 lepta lithographic horizontal pair

Postmark at departure:
ΠΕΡΙΣΤΑΣΙΣ 31 ΙΑΝ. 22

Postmark in transit:
ΡΑΙΑΔΕΣΤΟΣ 2 ΦΕΒ. 22 (on reverse)

Postmark at arrival:
ΣΥΛΛΗΒΡΙΑ 5 ΦΕΒ. 22 (on reverse)

Total rate: 10 lepta =
Domestic postcard: 10 lepta

Reverse view (reduced)



TA 5 lepta lithographic horizontal pair
Cancelled: ΠΕΡΙΣΤΑΣΙΣ 21 ΔΕΚ. [?]

ΠΕΤΡΑ

10 lepta Lithographic issue horizontal pair
on piece cancelled: ΠΕΤΡΑ 23 ΟΚΤ. 21



5.2 EASTERN THRACE GREEK POSTMARKS

ΡΑΙΔΕΣΤΟΣ



Cover from Rodosto to Salonica

TA 20 lepta lithographic stamp

Postmark at departure: ΡΑΙΔΕΣΤΟΣ 28 ΜΑΪ 21

Postmark at arrival: ΘΕΣΣΑΛΟΝΙΚΗ 2 ΙΟΥΝ. 21 - 1011

Total rate: 20 lepta = Domestic letter: 20 lepta



Cover from Rodosto to Athens

TA 20 lepta lithographic stamp

Postmark at departure: ΡΑΙΔΕΣΤΟΣ [date illegible]

Postmark at arrival: ΑΘΗΝΑΙ 7 ΑΙΠ. 1 10Ε ΚΕΝΤΡΙΚΟΝ (machine cancellation)

Total rate: 20 lepta = Domestic letter: 20 lepta

5.2 EASTERN THRACE GREEK POSTMARKS

ΠΑΙΔΕΣΤΟΣ



Cover from Rodosto to Andrinople

TA 5 lepta lithographic marginal block

Postmark at departure: ΠΑΙΔΕΣΤΟΣ 19 ΜΑΪ 21

Postmark at arrival: ΑΔΡΙΑΝΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ (ΑΦΙΕΣ) 21 ΜΑΪ 21

Total rate: 20 lepta = Domestic letter: 20 lepta



Reverse view
(reduced)



Cover from Rodosto
to Constantinople via Andrinople

TA 5 lepta block of six and
a 20 lepta lithographic stamp

Postmarks at departure:
ΠΑΙΔΕΣΤΟΣ 23 ΟΚΤ. 21

Postmark in transit:
ΑΔΡΙΑΝΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ 24 ΟΚΤ. 21

Postmark at arrival:
TAX. TOMEYS 26 ΟΚΤ 21

Total rate: 50 lepta =
International letter: 50 lepta

5.2 EASTERN THRACE GREEK POSTMARKS

ΠΑΙΔΕΣΤΟΣ



TA 5 lepta lithographic horizontal pair
Cancelled: ΠΑΙΔΕΣΤΟΣ 12 ΑΥΓ. 21



TA 20 lepta lithographic and 5 lepta Red Cross
Cancelled: ΠΑΙΔΕΣΤΟΣ 13 ΣΕΠ. 21

ΣΙΔΗΡΟΧΩΡΙ



TA 3 lepta lithographic horizontal pair
Cancelled: ΣΙΔΗΡΟΧΩΡΙ 6 ΣΕΠ. [?]



TA 20 lepta lithographic horizontal pair on piece
Cancelled: ΠΑΙΔΕΣΤΟΣ [?] ΣΕΠ. 21

ΠΑΙΔΕΣΤΟΣ (ΔΕΜΑΤΑ)



TA 25 lepta lithographic horizontal pair cancelled:
ΠΑΙΔΕΣΤΟΣ (ΔΕΜΑΤΑ) 21 ΝΟΕ. 20



TA 50 lepta lithographic block
Cancelled: ΣΙΔΗΡΟΧΩΡΙ 10 ΣΕΠ. 22



TA 5 lepta lithographic block cancelled:
ΠΑΙΔΕΣΤΟΣ 12 ΝΟΕ. 20



TA 25 lepta lithographic horizontal pair cancelled:
ΠΑΙΔΕΣΤΟΣ (ΔΕΜΑΤΑ) 19 ΝΟΕ. 20

ΣΚΟΠΟΣ



TA 3 lepta lithographic horizontal pair
Cancelled: ΣΚΟΠΟΣ 4 ΙΑΝ. 22



TA 1 lepton lithographic marginal block
Cancelled: ΣΚΟΠΟΣ 16 ΜΑΡ. 22



TA 3 lepta lithographic block
Cancelled: ΣΚΟΠΟΣ 18 ΜΑΡ. 22



TA 3 lepta lithographic block
Cancelled: ΣΚΟΠΟΣ 16 ΜΑΪ. 22

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GREEK POSTMARKS**

ΣΑΡΑΝΤΑ ΕΚΚΛΗΣΙΑΙ



TA 5 lepta lithographic pair cancelled:
ΣΑΡΑΝΤΑ ΕΚΚΛΗΣΙΑΙ 5 ΜΑΡ. 21



Reverse view (reduced)



Registered cover from Saranta Ekklesiai to Chicago IL U.S.A. via Athens - TA 5 lepta lithographic and 20 lepta E.T. (Royalist) pairs - Postmarks at departure: ΣΑΡΑΝΤΑ ΕΚΚΛΗΣΙΑΙ 15 ΟΚΤ. 20 - Postmark in transit: ΑΘΗΝΑΙ (ΑΦΙΕΣ) 24 ΟΚΤ. 20 12Π - Postmarks at arrival: CHICAGO ILL. REGISTERED NOV. 30 1920
Total rate: 50 lepta = International letter: 25 lepta, Registered international: 25 lepta



TA 20 lepta lithographic block cancelled:
ΣΑΡΑΝΤΑ ΕΚΚΛΗΣΙΑΙ 12 ΜΑΡ. 22



TA 5 lepta lithographic strip of three cancelled:
ΣΑΡΑΝΤΑ ΕΚΚΛΗΣΙΑΙ 23 ΔΕΚ. 20



TA 5 lepta lithographic strip of four on plain paper cancelled:
ΣΑΡΑΝΤΑ ΕΚΚΛΗΣΙΑΙ 1 ΜΑΪ 21



TA 5 lepta lithographic strip of three cancelled:
ΣΑΡΑΝΤΑ ΕΚΚΛΗΣΙΑΙ (ΔΕΜΑΤΑ) 2 ΟΚΤ. 21



TA 5 lepta lithographic horizontal pair cancelled:
ΣΑΡΑΝΤΑ ΕΚΚΛΗΣΙΑΙ (ΔΕΜΑΤΑ) 27 ΜΑΪ. 21



TA 5 lepta lithographic strip of three cancelled:
ΣΑΡΑΝΤΑ ΕΚΚΛΗΣΙΑΙ (ΔΕΜΑΤΑ) 2 ΝΟΕ. 20

ΣΑΡΑΝΤΑ ΕΚΚΛΗΣΙΑΙ (ΕΠΙΤΑΓΑΙ)



TA 1 lepton lithographic lower marginal imprint pair cancelled:
ΣΑΡΑΝΤΑ ΕΚΚΛΗΣΙΑΙ (ΔΕΜΑΤΑ) 8 ΙΟΥΝ. 22



TA 20 lepta E.T. (Royalist) horizontal strip of six cancelled:
ΣΑΡΑΝΤΑ ΕΚΚΛΗΣΙΑΙ (ΕΠΙΤΑΓΑΙ) 24 ΝΟΕ. 20

5.2 EASTERN THRACE GREEK POSTMARKS

ΤΣΕΚΕΡΕΚΙΟΪ

ΤΥΡΟΛΟΗ



TA 10 lepta lithographic strip of three
Cancelled: ΤΣΕΚΕΡΕΚΙΟΪ 9 ΙΟΥΛ. 22



TA 10 lepta lithographic pair cancelled:
ΤΣΕΚΕΡΕΚΙΟΪ 27 ΜΑΡ. 22



TA 5 lepta lithographic strip of three
Cancelled: ΤΥΡΟΛΟΗ 2 ΑΥΓ. 21



TA 20 lepta lithographic strip of three
Cancelled: ΤΣΕΚΕΡΕΚΙΟΪ 17 ΜΑΪ. 22



TA 20 lepta lithographic pair cancelled:
ΤΣΕΚΕΡΕΚΙΟΪ 1 ΜΑΡ. 22



TA 10 lepta lithographic strip of three
Cancelled: ΤΥΡΟΛΟΗ 3 ΙΟΥΛ. 22



TA 5 lepta lithographic vertical pair cancelled:
ΤΥΡΟΛΟΗ 1 ΜΑΡ. 21



TA 5 lepta lithographic cancelled:
ΤΥΡΟΛΟΗ 25 ΑΙΠ. [?] ΤΥΡΟΛΟΗ 7 ΔΕΚ. [?]



TA 50 lepta lithographic cancelled:
ΤΥΡΟΛΟΗ 7 ΔΕΚ. [?]



TA 25 lepta lithographic upper right corner block cancelled:
ΤΥΡΟΛΟΗ 22 ΜΑΡ. 21



TA 10 lepta lithographic pair
Cancelled: ΤΥΡΟΛΟΗ 3 ΜΑΪ. 22

ΤΥΡΟΛΟΗ (ΕΠΙΤΑΓΑ)



TA 1 drachma lithographic horizontal pair cancelled:
ΤΥΡΟΛΟΗ (ΕΠΙΤΑΓΑ) 20 ΔΕΚ. 22

ΥΨΑΛΑ



TA 20 lepta E.T. (Royalist) cancelled:
ΥΨΑΛΑ [?] ΜΑΪ. 21



TA 20 lepta E.T. (Royalist) cancelled:
ΥΨΑΛΑ 3 ΜΑΪ. 21

TA 2 drachmas lithographic cancelled:
ΤΥΡΟΛΟΗ [date illegible]



TA 5 lepta lithographic block
Cancelled: ΧΑΡΙΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ 21 ΜΑΡ. 22

ΧΑΡΙΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ



TA 25 lepta lithographic horizontal pair
Cancelled: ΧΑΡΙΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ 20 ΣΕΠ. 21



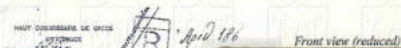
TA 5 lepta lithographic block
Cancelled: ΧΑΡΙΟΥΠΟΛΙΣ 14 ΜΑΡ. 22

5.3 EASTERN THRACE OTTOMAN POSTMARKS

ANDRINOPLE [Bilingual]

آدرنه

■ Letters of the Greek High Commissioner in Thrace, Antonios Sactouris, addressed to his wife Olga then residing at Victoria Hotel in Glion, Switzerland



HAUT COMMISSAIRE DE GRÈCE
EN THRACE
R
April 186
Tpa
Madame
Olga A. Sactouris
Hôtel Victoria
Glion
Suisse

Wax sealed registered cover from
Andrinople to Glion (Switzerland)

Three THC 5 lepta, a pair of 20 lepta
(and one more 20 lepta removed)

Postmarks at departure: [Bilingual]
29 7 20 ANDRINOPLE 6

Postmark in transit:

ΘΕΣΣΑΛΟΝΙΚΗ 31 ΙΟΥΛ. 20

Postmark at arrival:

GLION 19 VIII 20 - 19

Total rate: 75 lepta =
International letter (2): 50 lepta
Registered letter: 25 lepta



Front of registered cover
from Andrinople
to Glion (Switzerland)

THC 25 lepta (a single and a
horizontal pair)

Postmarks at departure:
[Bilingual]
4 8 20 ANDRINOPLE 6

Total rate: 75 lepta =
International letter (2): 50 lepta
Registered letter: 25 lepta

5.3 EASTERN THRACE OTTOMAN POSTMARKS

ENOS [Bilingual]

اينوز



TA 20 lepta E.T. (Royalist) cancelled:
ENOS [Bilingual] 9-10-20



THC 20 lepta on piece cancelled:
ENOS [Bilingual] 21-10-20

MALGARA [Bilingual]

معلقره



THC 25 lepta on piece cancelled:
MALGARA [Bilingual] 25-8-20

TCHORLOU Bilingual

خورلئ



THC 25 lepta on piece cancelled:
TCHORLOU 1 [Bilingual] 23-8-20

GALLIPOLI [Bilingual]

كليبولى



THC 5 lepta cancelled:
GALLIPOLI [Bilingual] (date missing)



THC 5 and 20 lepta on piece cancelled:
GALLIPOLI [Bilingual] (date illegible)

MUREFTE [Bilingual]

مرفته



THC 25 lepta on piece cancelled:
MUREFTE [Bilingual] 7-8-20



THC 20 lepta and TA 5 lepta lithographic on piece
Cancelled: MUREFTE [Bilingual] 31-8-20

TA 20 lepta E.T. (Royalist) on piece
Cancelled: VIZE [Bilingual] 31-10-20

LALA-PACHA [Bilingual]

لالا پاشا



TA 5 lepta lithographic upper marginal pair
Cancelled: LALA-PACHA [Bilingual] 15-9-20



TA 3 lepta lithographic left marginal pair
Cancelled: LALA-PACHA [Bilingual] 15-9-20
Misplaced overprint

SARAI [Bilingual]

سرائ



THC 20 lepta cancelled:
SARAI [Bilingual] 27-[?]

VIZE [Bilingual]

ويژه



THC 20 lepta cancelled:
VIZE [Bilingual] 1-8-20



5.3. EASTERN THRACE OTTOMAN POSTMARKS

CHARKEUİ [Bilingual]

شاركوى



THC complete set cancelled to order: CHARKEUİ [Bilingual] 28-8-20

RODOSTO [Bilingual]

تکفورطاغی



THC complete set cancelled to order: RODOSTO [Bilingual] 11-9-20

5.3 EASTERN THRACE
OTTOMAN POSTMARKS

OUZOUN-KEUPRU 2 [Bilingual]
اَوْزُون كوپرئ



Two THC sets (last two values missing) cancelled to order
OUZOUN-KEUPRU 2
[Bilingual] 17-8-20
(On partly shown piece)

KIRK-KILISSE
[Bilingual]
قِرَق كَلِيسَا

Cover from Suranta Ekklesia
to Constantinople

Two TA 25 lepta

Postmark at departure:
KIRK-KILISSE 2 [Bilingual]
[?] 10-20

Postmark at arrival:
TAX. TOMEYS 920
5 OKT. 20

Total rate: 50 lepta =
International letter: 50 lepta

THC complete set
cancelled to order:
KIRK-KILISSE 2
[Bilingual] 5-9-20
(On partly shown piece)



5.4 OTHER POSTMARKS IN THRACE

Hellenic Administration Post Offices having not been established in all liberated locations, the assistance and services of local prominent individuals or company establishments was requested to forward mail
All relevant correspondence was thus cancelled by their own rubber seals



TA 1 and 2 lepta lithographic on piece
Chemin de fer Orientaux rubber seal
FEREDJIK 27 [month and year missing] C.O.



TA 2 lepta lithographic on piece
Chemin de fer Orientaux rubber seal
MOUSTAPHA PACHA 6 AVR. 1922 C.O.



TA 2 lepta lithographic on piece
Chemin de fer Orientaux rubber seal
SEIDLER 15 JUL. 1922 C.O.



TA 1 lepton lithographic on piece
Chemin de fer Orientaux rubber seal
PAVLDEKEUY 11 AVR. 1922 C.O.



TA 2 lepta lithographic on piece
Chemin de fer Orientaux rubber seal
PAVLDEKEUY 11 AVR. 1922 C.O.



WTA 1 lepton lithographic on piece
Railway rubber seal
KIZLAAEPE [date missing]



Reverse view (reduced)



WTA 20 lepta
E.T. (Royalist)
Rubber seal
ATMOIΛOION ANATOAIH

Mail was
dispatched to
Smyrna by ships
represented by
this company



Postcard from the Dardanelles to Jannina via Smyrna
TA 20 lepta lithographic stamp

Postmark at departure: Rubber seal DEMOSTHENE A. XANTHOPOULO
AGENT MARITIME ET D'ASSURANCES - DARDANELLES

Postmark in transit: ΣΜΥΡΝΗ 23 ΙΟΥΛ. 21 - 9 ΑΦΗΕΕ (on reverse)

Total rate: 20 lepta = Domestic postcard: 10 lepta (plus 10 for the agent)

Only two are known to exist

5.4 OTHER POSTMARKS IN THRACE



Reverse view
(reduced)

In some locations old Ottoman negative postmarks were used in the absence of Greek or Ottoman bilingual ones



TA 5 lepta lithographic and 20 lepta E.T. (Royalist) on piece:
[Not yet identified old Ottoman negative postmark]
Misplaced overprints (20 lepta)

Reverse view
(reduced)

- Two covers mailed to Constantinople (same sender and receiver)
- Above: TA 5 lepta lithographic and 20 lepta E.T. (Royalist) stamps
- Postmark at departure: [not yet identified old Ottoman negative postmark in black]
- Postmark at arrival: TAX. TOMEYS 920 - 1 OKT. 20 (on reverse)
- Total rate: 25 lepta = International letter: 25 lepta
- Below: TA 25 lepta lithographic stamp
- Postmark at departure: [not yet identified old Ottoman negative postmark in green]
- Postmark in transit: ΑΔΡΙΑΝΟΥΠΟΛΕΩΣ 20 ΣΕΠΤ. 20 (on reverse)
- Postmark at arrival: TAX. TOMEYS 920 - 22 OKT. 20
- Total rate: 25 lepta = International letter: 25 lepta