# PRZEDBORZ, Contd. DEFINITE FORGERIES.

Forgeries of the imperforate Mi. 1 & 2 \* \* cat. 800 DM as genuine \* -> \$ 85.

2 gr red: Imperforate (Mi. 1):

4 gr blue: Imperforate (Mi. 2):



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Both stamps purport to be of Type 2 (The left and right value figures vary in shape in the bottom pair. The correctly different bottom pair ofstamps occurs once only in each pane of 4 x 2 stamps. Compare with the Type 2 stamps shown on the first page of Przedbórz).

## PREEDBORZ, contd.

26 Feb. 1918: Second Issue - Views of Przedbórz and Town's Coat of Arms. Four stamps printed litho by Zakład Pański in Piotrków Trybunalski, on medium, white paper. The logr (30.2 x 23mm) is slightly smaller than the others (30.7 x 23mm). Perf. 10 or 11½. Imperf. also exist (see next page)



2gr olive-green and pale greyish green:
Town Hall.
Perf. 11½



Agr violet and pale yellowish brown:
Bridge across R.Pilica
Perf. 112 \*



6gr blue and pale yellow-green:
Market Square
Perf. 112



10gr red and pale flesh-coloured: Town's Coat of Arms. Perf. 112



Quantities: 2 gr 4,500; 4 gr 9,500; 6 gr 2,500; 10gr 1,500.

### Variation:



2gr: missing perforation (11½) at top and bottom.

Listed as 4sB in

P.Katalog Specializ.

Cancellations by circular handstamp "RADA MIEJSKA MIASTA PRZED-BORZA" and Coat of Arms. Diametre 31.5 mm. In Indian ink, black, blue, or violet. (See following pages).

26 Feb. 1918: Second Issue - Shades, Perfs.



2gr olive-green and pale greyish green:
Both greens decidedly more, darker olive.
(used).



4gr violet and pale yellowish brown:
Both colours clearly greyish.
(used)



6gr blue and pale yellow-green: Blue is dark blue. (used).



10gr red and pale flesh-coloured: red is carmine-red. (used).

26 Feb., 1918: Second Issue - Imperforate. Genuine: Ceremuga.



2gr olive-green and pale greyish green:
Town Hall.



4gr violet and pale yellowish brown:
Bridge across R.Pilica.



6gr blue and pale yellow-green: Market Square.



10gr red and pale flesh - coloured: Town's Coat of Arms.

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## Forgery:



logr imperf. with considerably darker shade, and lines disappeared at stamp's top. Not a proof.

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15 March, 1918: Third Issue - Changed Views and Coat of Arms. Also new inscription "RADA MTEJSKA / MIASTA PRZEDBORZA" ("Town Council / of the Town of Przedborz"). Four stamps printed litho by Zakład Pański in Piotrków Trybunalski on medium, white paper. All stamps 30 x 22.5mm. Line perf.10, but imperforate also exists.



2gr green:
Market Square.
Used
(cancellation black)



4gr red:
Town Hall.
Used
(cancellation violet)



6gr violet:
Pilica R.Bridge.
Used
(cancellation blue)



10gr blue:
Town's Coat of Arms
Used
(cancellation black)

Quantities: 2gr 6,480; 4gr 7,489; 6gr and 10gr 2,496 each. Cancellations: As for Second Issue (differences are forgeries).

### Variation:



2gr green:
Mi 7: double perforation at top.
(Genvinz: exp.
(Ceremv ga)

19 March, 1918: Third Issue - Shades.



2gr green:
colour greyer, darker
Used
(cancellation violet)



4gr red:
carmine-red
Used
(cancellation violet)



6gr violet:
slightly bluish
Used
(cancellation violet)

27 March, 1918: Fourth Issue - As before, but Valuta expressed in Halerzy instead of Groszy. Size 30 x 22.5 mm, as before. Printed litho by Zakład Pański of Piotrków Trybunalski on medium, white paper. Perf. 10 or 11½; also imperf.



5h red: Market Square (Perf.L.10)



10h bright green: Town Hall (Perf.L.10)



20h violet: Municipal Coat of Arms (Perf. L.10)



15h blue: Pilica River Bridge. (Perf. L.10)



Quantities: unknown.

### As above, but the smaller Perf.:



5h red: Market Square (Perf.  $11\frac{1}{2}$ )



10h bright green:
Town Hall
(Perf. 112)



l5h blue: Pilica River Bridge. (Perf. 11=2)

20h violet: Municipal Coat of Arms (Perf. 11)

Quantities: unknown.

27 July, 1918: Fifth Issue - Same as Fourth Issue in Halerzy valuta, but with Sun Rays deleted. The 20 halerzy stamp is distinguished from the fourth issue by having a dot under the "A" of "MIRJSKA". Lithography, in sizes of 30 x 22.5 mm, as before. Perf. 10 or 11½, also imperf.



5h red: Market Square (Perf.  $11\frac{1}{2}$ )



10h: bright green:
Town Hall
(Perf.  $11\frac{1}{2}$ )



15h blue: Pilica River Bridge. (Perf.  $11\frac{1}{2}$ )



20h violet:
Municipal Coat of Arms
(Perf.  $11\frac{1}{2}$ )



Quantities: unknown.

#### Forgeries:

"+1918+" (crosses instead of dots in the 5, 10 gl5h) im this cheaply offered set.



5h red: Market Square (Perf. 11½)



10 bright green:
Town Hall
(Perf. 112)



I5h blue: Pilica River Bridge. (Perf. 112/2)



20h violet: Municipal Coat of Arms (Perf. 112)

No dot under A. (Marke genuine, from 4th 15500 3)

#### Fifth Issue, Contd:

Imperforate Stamps. (Certified genuine)



5h red: Market Square



10h bright green: Town Hall



15h blue: Pilica River Bridge.



20h violet: Municipal Coat of Arms

Quantities: unknown.

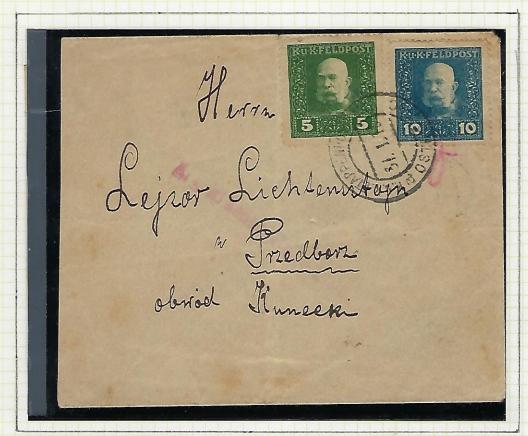
#### Colour Variation



5h deep carmine-red: Market Square

(Not certified, but seems genuine: appears identical with certified copy above).

18 Dec. 1917: First Issue - Municipal and District Postal Delivery Stamps.



Cover sent 31.1.18 from the Austrian Military Communications Post Office in Ostrowiec to Przedbórz using a 5 and a 10 Heller stamp, properly used with a pair of 2 grosze Municipal stamps for local delivery on the back, expertised by Ćwiertnia.

The top 2gr stamp is of Type 1 (left and right figures 2 are the same in the bottom pair, the stamp being of sheet position 1) but the bottom stamp in the pair is of Type 2 (left and right figures 2 in the bottom line differ, this stamp being in sheet position 5).

Note also the double line perforation under the bottom stamp. Rare.

# REVERSE



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#### **POLAND - AUSTRIAN OCCUPATION:**

PRZEDBÓRZ LOCAL POST: Mi 1A. Fi 1B

1917 Eagle 2gr red, perf 11½, vertical pair, with "K.u.K. ETAPENPOSTAMT/PRZEDBORZ, KREIS KONSK/5.I.18" cds (date error), on cover originally franked Austria Military Post 5h & 10h, tied "K.u.K. ETAPENPOSTAMT/OSTROWIEC/31.I.18" cds, with red censor cachet.

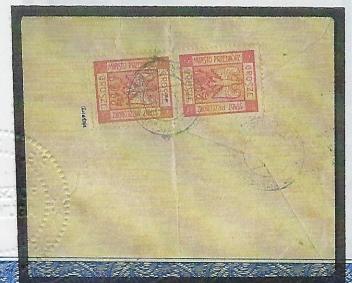
#### **EXPERTIZING RESULT:**

Genuine in all respects, stamps positions 1+5, cover correctly franked 15h postage for letter to 20g, plus on arrival local post 4gr rate for delivery of ordinary letter.

#### **CONDITION:**

Stamps very fine condition, cover vertically folded.

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18 Dec., 1917: First Issue. Municipal and District Postal Delivery Stamps.



Cover sent from Warszawa on 13 Dec. 1917 with a Gen.-Gouv. Warschau 15 (Pf) German occupation of Russian Poland, and after arrival in the Austrian-occupied Staging Post-Office of Przedbőrz the 4 Grosze municipal stamp for local delivery was affixed on December 21st (the date is clearly readable on the postmark on the reverse of the cover). The Municipal stamp is of Type 2, with the figures 4 varying in shape in the bottom pair.

A censor's cachet in purple is clearly seen bottom-left. Clean cover.

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PRZEDBÓRZ LOCAL POST: Mi 2A, Fi 2B

1917 Eagle 4gr blue, perf 11½, with "K.u.K. ETAPENPOSTAMT/PRZEDBORZ, KREIS KONSK / 21.XII.17" cds, on cover originally franked Germania 15pfg "Gen.-Goub. Warschau" overprint, tied ""WARSCHAU / \* \* b / 13.12.17" cds, with violet censor cachet.

#### **EXPERTIZING RESULT:**

Genuine in all respects, stamp position 3, cover correctly franked 15pfg postage for letter to 20g, plus on arrival local post 4gr rate for delivery of ordinary letter.

#### CONDITION:

Stamps & cover in very fine condition.

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Krzysztof (Chris) Ceremuga



27 July, 1918: Fifth Issue, contd.:



Philatelic cover, using Austrian 5 Heller stamp (required for postage on any letter sent through the Austrian occupiers' postal organisation) plus the whole set of Municipal Przedbórz 5th issue stamps (much more than needed for home delivery by the Municipal organisation).

Stamps expertised by Krawczyk.

An envelope showing how the postal services worked in the area around Predborz:

A branch of the Austrian Post Office existed at Przedborz, but civilian mail was dealt with by Konsk (= Końskie, 39 km E.N.E. from Przedborz). From there, mail for Przedborz was dispatched by local post, under the Austrian Post Office.



Letter posted at Gorzkowice on 16th August 1918, delivered to Przedbórz via the Austrian military Post Office at Końsk using local post, extra post paid by a 10 Heller (fightissue) stamp cancelled by a Prophórz local postmark.