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Cheers,

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German New Guinea
Deutsch-Neuguinea

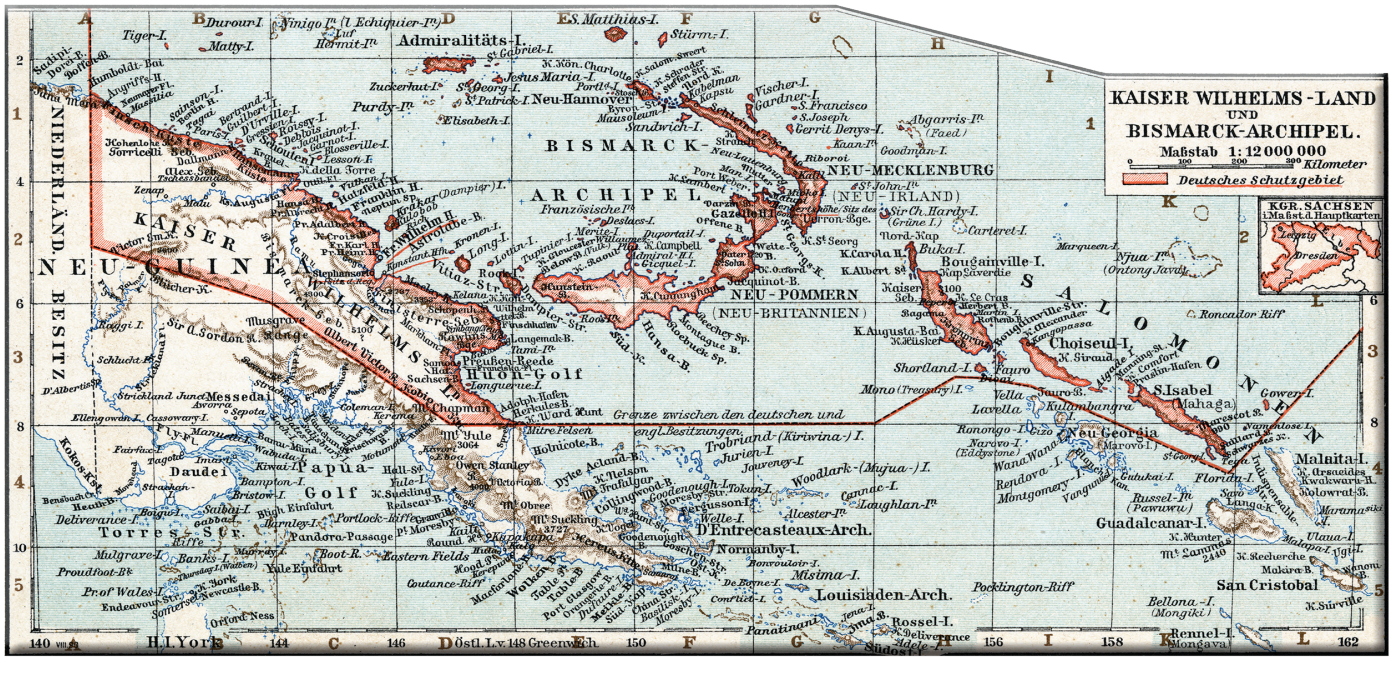
In the 1850s, German traders first established a foothold on the northern and eastern coasts of New Guinea, as well as on the surrounding smaller islands.

Flag of the
German Colonial Office

In May 1885, the German government entered into an agreement with the Neu Guinea Compagnie (New Guinea Company), under the terms of which the Company was authorized to acquire further lands as it saw fit. In return, the Company was to expand German influence within the area, and to build and maintain the local governmental institutions.

On 1 April 1899, the German government formally took control of the area formerly administered by the Neu Guinea Compagnie, as it had become cost prohibitive for the privately funded Company to develop and maintain the colony. An Imperial Governor was appointed to govern the colony, and in a reorganization of the German holdings in the South and Central Pacific, administration of the German colonies in the Carolines (1899), Marianas (1899), and Marshalls (1906) was eventually transferred to the Imperial Governor of German New Guinea.

German New Guinea was quickly conquered by Australian forces at the outbreak of WWI, and as with all of Germany's colonial possessions at the time, it was not returned to German control following the war. Instead, it became a League of Nations Protectorate under Australian control.



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Deutsch-Neuguinea

“Deutsch-Neu-Guinea” Overprint Issues

July 1898

(Dark) Ochre Brown to
Bright Brown Ochre
3 Pfennig

September 1897

(Bright) Opal Green
5 Pfennig

September 1897

Bright Lilac Red
10 Pfennig

September 1897

Violet Ultramarine
20 Pfennig

July 1898

Yellowish Orange
25 Pfennig

September 1897

Bright Reddish Brown
50 Pfennig

Herbertshöhe post office

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German New Guinea
Deutsch-Neuguinea

Yacht Issues

December 1900

Dark Ochre Brown
3 Pfennig

(Dark) Green
5 Pfennig

Dark Carmine Red
10 Pfennig

Violet Ultramarine
20 Pfennig

Reddish Orange / Yellow
Black on Light Yellow
25 Pfennig

Reddish Orange / Red Black
on Dull Yellowish Orange
30 Pfennig

Dark Reddish Carmine /
Black
40 Pfennig

Dark Brownish Lilac / Red
Black on Dull Brown Orange
50 Pfennig

Dark Reddish Carmine / Red
Black on Dull Carmine
80 Pfennig

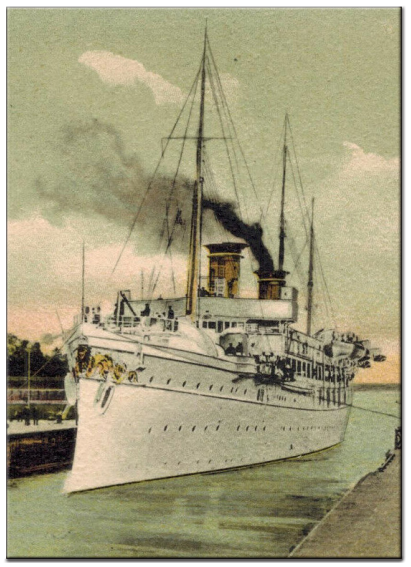
March 1901

(Dark) Red
1 Mark

Blackish Blue
2 Mark

Violet Black
3 Mark

Green Black / Dark Carmine
5 Mark



Kaiser Wilhelm II's yacht,
SMY Hohenzollern II

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German New Guinea
Deutsch-Neuguinea

Yacht Issues

1914 / 1919

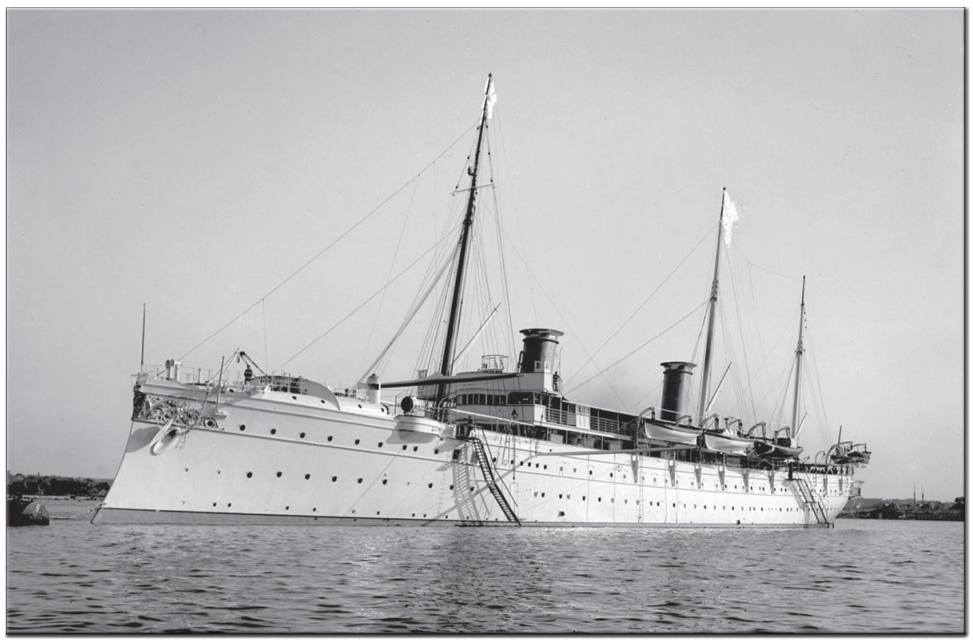
Watermark

Dark Orange Brown
3 Pfennig
“DEUTSCH-NEU-GUINEA”

(Dark) Green
5 Pfennig

Red Carmine
10 Pfennig

Green Black / Dark Carmine
5 Mark



Kaiser Wilhelm II’s yacht, *SMY Hohenzollern II*

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German New Guinea
Deutsch-Neuguinea

British Occupation “G.R.I.” Overprints

17 October 1914

Type I Overprint Spacing:
Small yachts – 6 mm
Large yachts – 3 ½-4 mm

Dark Ochre Brown
1 Penny on 3 Pfennig

(Dark) Green
1 Penny on 5 Pfennig

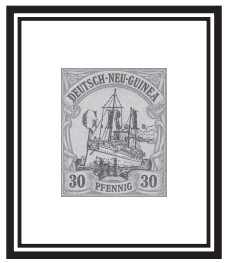
Dark Carmine Red
2 Pence on 10 Pfennig

Violet Ultramarine
2 Pence on 20 Pfennig

Dark Carmine Red
2 ½ Pence on 10 Pfennig

Violet Ultramarine
2 ½ Pence on 20 Pfennig

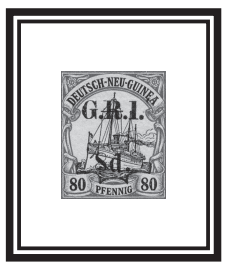
Reddish Orange / Yellow
Black on Light Yellow
3 Pence on 25 Pfennig



Reddish Orange / Red Black
on Dull Yellowish Orange
3 Pence on 30 Pfennig

Dark Reddish Carmine /
Black
4 Pence on 40 Pfennig

Dark Brownish Lilac / Red
Black on Dull Brown Orange
5 Pence on 50 Pfennig



Dark Reddish Carmine / Red
Black on Dull Carmine
8 Pence on 80 Pfennig

1915

Bright Lilac Red
“1” on 2 Pence on 20 Pfennig

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Deutsch-Neuguinea

British Occupation “G.R.I.” Overprints

17 October 1914

Type I Overprint Spacing:
Small yachts – 6 mm
Large yachts – 3 ½-4 mm

(Dark) Red
1 Shilling on 1 Mark

Blackish Blue
2 Shillings on 2 Mark

Violet Black
3 Shillings on 3 Mark

Green Black / Dark Carmine
5 Shillings on 5 Mark

Australian forces on the wharf at Madang, 1914

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German New Guinea
Deutsch-Neuguinea

British Occupation “G.R.I.” Overprints

16 December 1914

Type II Overprint Spacing:
Small yachts – 5 mm
Large yachts – 5 ½ mm

Dark Ochre Brown
1 Penny on 3 Pfennig

(Dark) Green
1 Penny on 5 Pfennig

Dark Carmine Red
2 Pence on 10 Pfennig

Violet Ultramarine
2 Pence on 20 Pfennig

Dark Carmine Red
2 ½ Pence on 10 Pfennig

Violet Ultramarine
2 ½ Pence on 20 Pfennig

Reddish Orange / Yellow
Black on Light Yellow
3 Pence on 25 Pfennig

Reddish Orange / Red Black
on Dull Yellowish Orange
3 Pence on 30 Pfennig

Dark Reddish Carmine /
Black
4 Pence on 40 Pfennig

Dark Brownish Lilac / Red
Black on Dull Brown Orange
5 Pence on 50 Pfennig

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16 December 1914

Type II Overprint Spacing:
Small yachts – 5 mm
Large yachts – 5 ½ mm

(Dark) Red
1 Shilling on 1 Mark

Blackish Blue
2 Shillings on 2 Mark

Violet Black
3 Shillings on 3 Mark

Green Black / Dark Carmine
5 Shillings on 5 Mark

Australian command staff at the Government House, Rabaul, 1914

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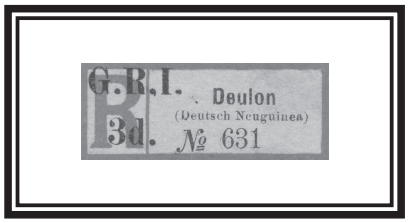
British Occupation Registration Labels

1 December 1914



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3 Pence
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Fr. Wilhelmshafen
3 Pence
Sans Serif Font

Fr. Wilhelmshafen
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Antiqua Font

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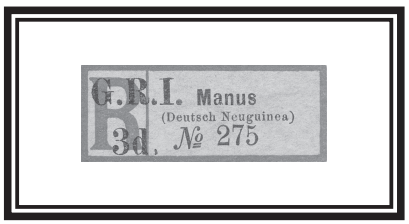

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Manus
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Stephansort
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Sans Serif Font

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British Occupation Official Issue Overprints

October 1914

Dark Ochre Brown
1 Penny on 3 Pfennig

(Dark) Green
1 Penny on 5 Pfennig

An Australian sentry guards the Government House, Rabaul, 1914

Following their occupation of German New Guinea, the British overprinted the 3- and 5 Pfennig Yacht Issues for use as official issues.

The text is “O.S. / G.R.I. / 1d” (Official Stamp / Georgius Rex Imperator, 1 penny).

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