

Essay of Unadopted Design

In 1926, Universal Postal Frankers Ltd. Introduced a new hand operated machine manufactured in Germany – the Frankopost “Midget” with three fixed values. The Company produced essays for a number of countries in a design similar to the then current British one. This is one of the few reported examples of the essay produced for Egypt, and may be the only one known to exist outside of company or governmental archives and records.



It is likely that the design was submitted to the Egyptian postal Authority for a license which was not issued due to the failure to include the Tougra of King Fuad I. The Neopost design shown previously was accepted, and attempts by Universal to introduce a machine into the Egyptian system were abandoned until 1938.

