St. Kitts Nevis R.W.I. 23rd May 1932 to Malta on 17th June 1932

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This cover from St. Kitts Nevis B.W.I. to Malta having $1\frac{1}{2}d$, 6d, 1/-, stamps cancelled by St. Kitts Nevis - 23 May 1932 obliterator - arrived in Malta on 17th June 1932, after stoping at St. John's - Antigua B.W.I., on the 26th May 1932. This cover having a boxed Blue Paper, "By Air Mail/Par Avion" was crossed by a purple three parallel lines.

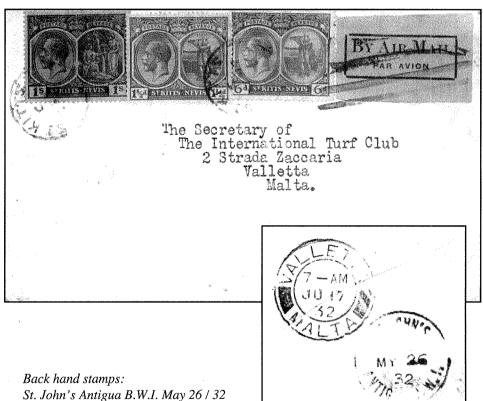
Obviously this cover was meant to be carried by air mail, and had the correct air mail franking $1/7\frac{1}{2}d$.

Why was the Air Mail label crossed out??

Was there a disruption of Air Mail service in this period? The franking of $1/7\frac{1}{2}$ d seem to me to be correct.

It took 25 days to arrive from B.W.I. to Malta.

Your comments would be appreciated.



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