

# KNILM-operated Flight to Batavia

## Then by Qantas flight to Australia

KNILM (Royal Netherlands Indies Airways) chartered a DC2 to make a single flight to Manila on 9-10 Oct, to connect with Pan Am clipper to San Francisco. The return trip to Batavia left Manila on 15 Oct.

### Route

Qantas Empire Airways *Sydney* flew from Singapore to Brisbane, stopping at Batavia on afternoon of 16 Oct.

The *Sydney* reached Brisbane on 19 Oct. Mail for southern states was offloaded at Charleville, then by Butler Air Transport to Cootamundra.

The upper cover went by rail to Sydney, then by ship to New Zealand.

The lower cover went by rail to Melbourne.



### BOTH COVERS

#### Markings

The First Flight Cachet was applied to all covers carried on this flight.

Batavia 15 Oct on reverse.

#### Rate

28 centavos, per 5g.

### UPPER COVER

#### Marking

Sydney 20 Oct.

Manila 15 Oct 1936, to Dunedin, New Zealand

### LOWER COVER

#### Markings

Melbourne 20 Oct.

Unclaimed at Melb.

Dead Letter Office (DLO) 25 Nov.

Manila DLO  
7 Jan 1937.

Manila  
15 Oct 1936  
to Melbourne.  
Unclaimed,  
returned to  
Manila

