

Railway Mail in Slovakia and Ruthenia

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This is an excellent publication for collectors of this region for both the postmarks and town names. Illustrations are comprehensive and the information within, while aimed at TPO and railway enthusiasts, will be of interest to other collectors.

Tony Goodbody begins with a short history of the region detailing the different conditions of war and peace under which the railways had to operate. Each of these periods is then considered, with illustrations of the many different marks in use, including sub-types. These are accompanied with pictures of many of the stations mentioned. The author then gives a listing of station termini and TPO numbers for each. He follows this with

tables of Hungarian place names with their Slovak equivalent pre 1918 and also their present day names.

All in all, a well-researched and well produced publication, which had me checking the few covers I have. TPO collectors will find this publication invaluable and it will also make checking any postal history dealer's stock that bit more interesting!

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