

CUBA errors and varieties

Republican Era

I have chosen pages from my collection to exhibit the "Wrong Side" of the Cuban Philately, showing errors, varieties and everything else different before or after the stamps were printed.

Most pages in this exhibit are displayed by date of issue, except in certain instances where I have altered such order by reason of space and sequence.

I have defined errors as:

- 1- Inverted center
- 2- Imperforate stamps- Complete omission of perforations, full or in between
- 3- Complete omission of color(s)
- 4- Inverted surcharge
- 5- Overprint or surcharge on the back of a stamp
- 6- Double print, overprint or surcharge

I have defined varieties as:

- 1- Misperforation
- 2- Over or under inked
- 3- Color shifts
- 4- Different shades or tones
- 5- Ink smears, flows and blots
- 6- Partially printed on reverse (Offset)
- 7- Second color misplaced
- 8- Creased paper: Preprinting or Pre-perforation
- 9- Counterfeit perforation (fake)
- 10- Proofs and/or essays

I have indicated on every page the watermark and perforations, because in too many cases the difference makes the item, a variety and/or an error.

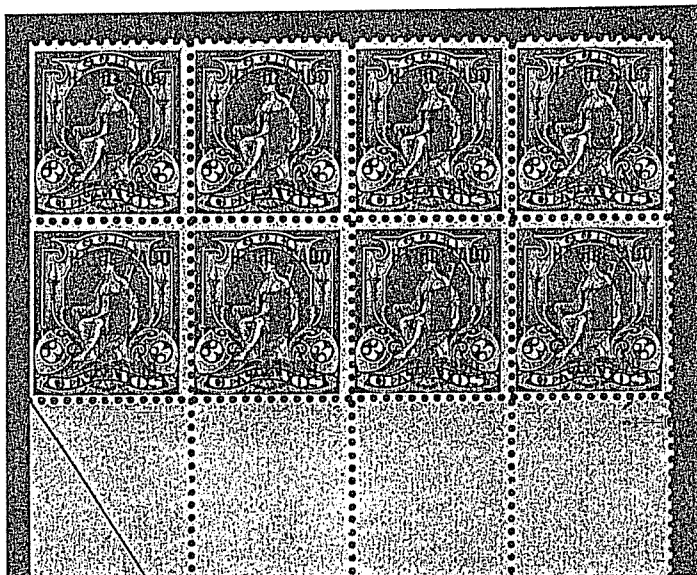
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1902

DIFFERENT COLOR SURCHARGES

Printed, but never issued. It was supposed to have been incinerated

1¢ Green on 3¢



2¢ Black on 3¢



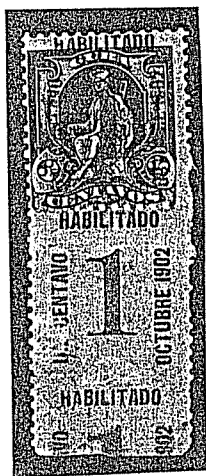
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1902 - September 30th

Wmk U.S.C. — Perf. 12

Due to a delay in delivering 1¢ stamps, a carmine surcharge for that amount was applied to the 3¢ stamps by the Ruiz y Hermanos printing shop.

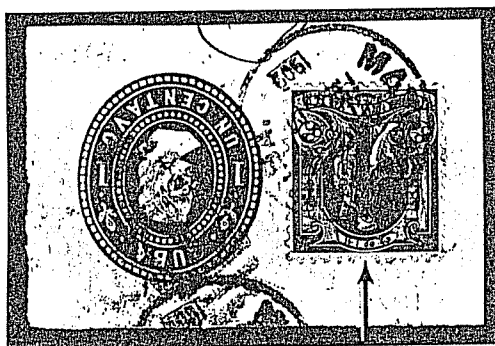
These stamps were the first ones issued by the
REPUBLIC OF CUBA



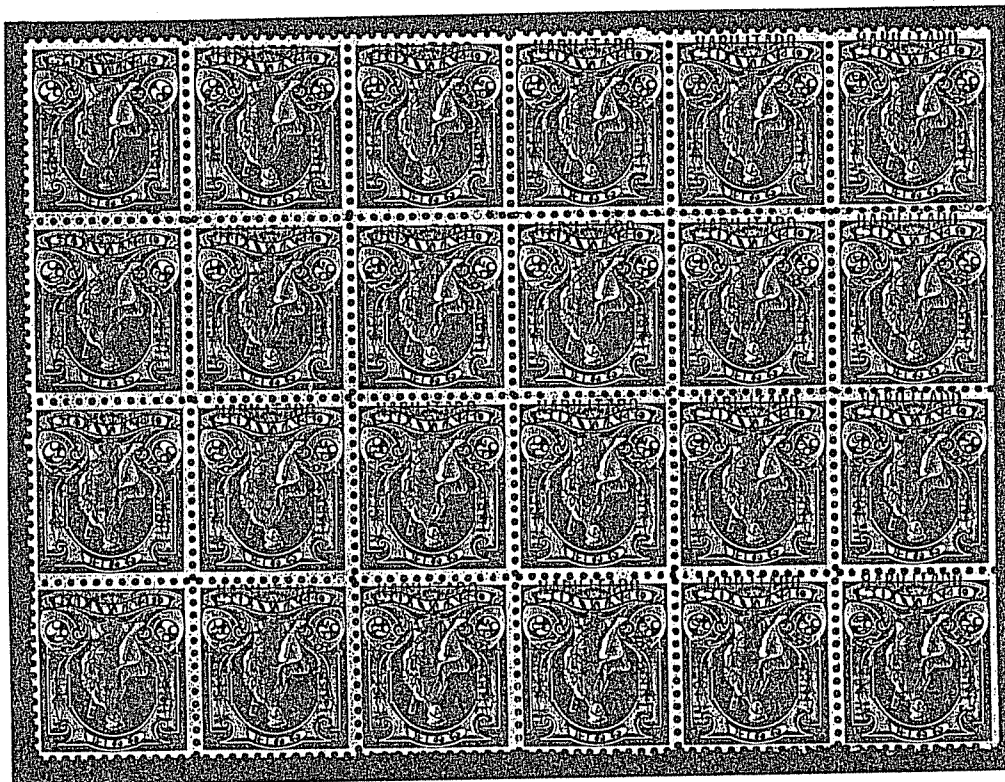
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INVERTED SURCHARGE



Postal Used



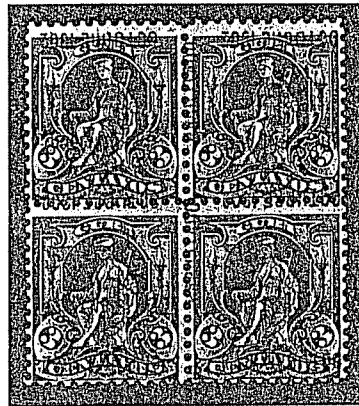
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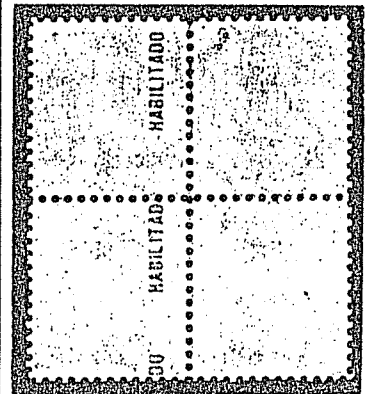
SURCHARGES MISPLACED SIDEWAYS



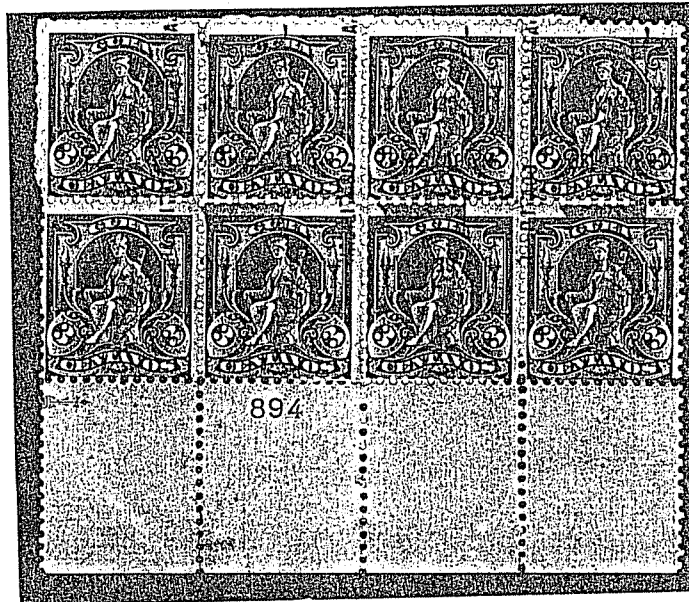
To the Right



To the Left



On Reverse
Side



To the Left
and Upward

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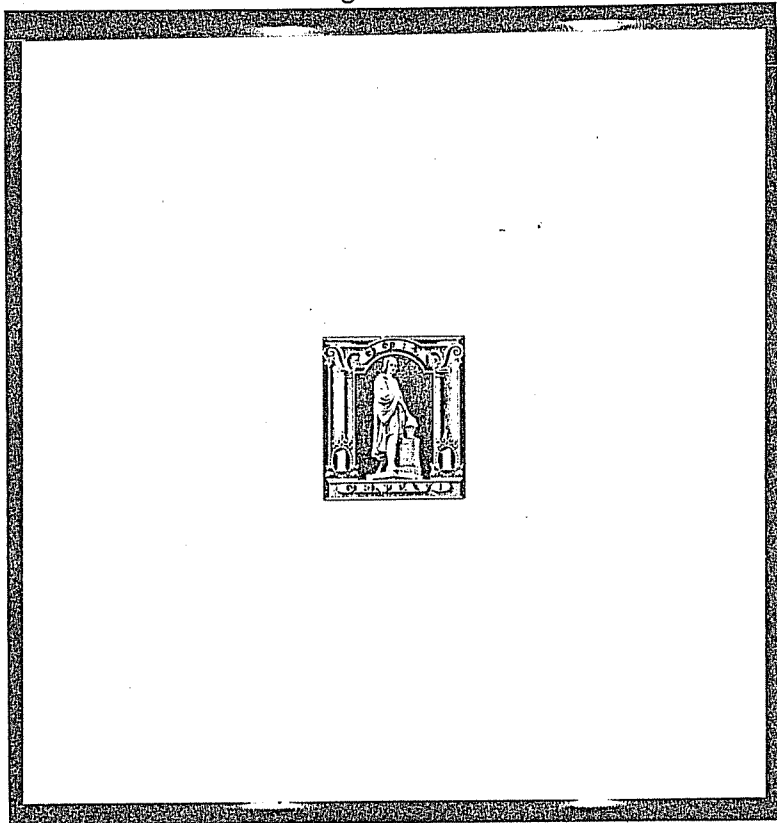
1899 - September 1st

Wmk. U.S.C. — Perf. 10

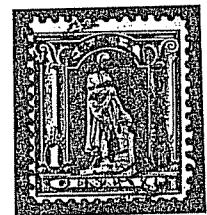
These are the first stamps printed for Cuba only.

They were engraved and printed by the U.S. Bureau of Engraving and Printing showing Cuba motifs.

Large Die Proof

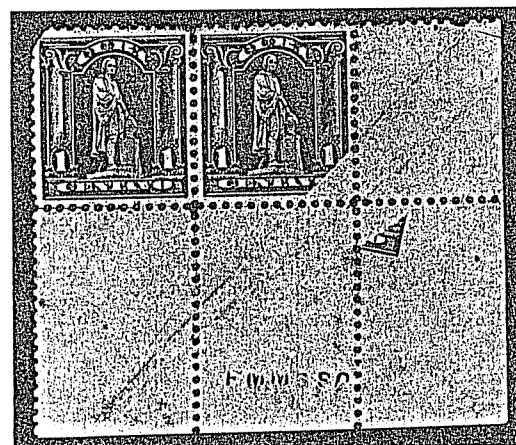


Normal



Deep Green

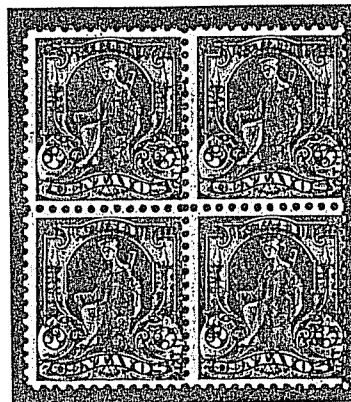
Pre-Printing
Paper fold



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DOUBLE SURCHARGE



Misplaced
Surcharge
Notice 1 on
Both Sides



Counterfeit
Inverted
Surcharges

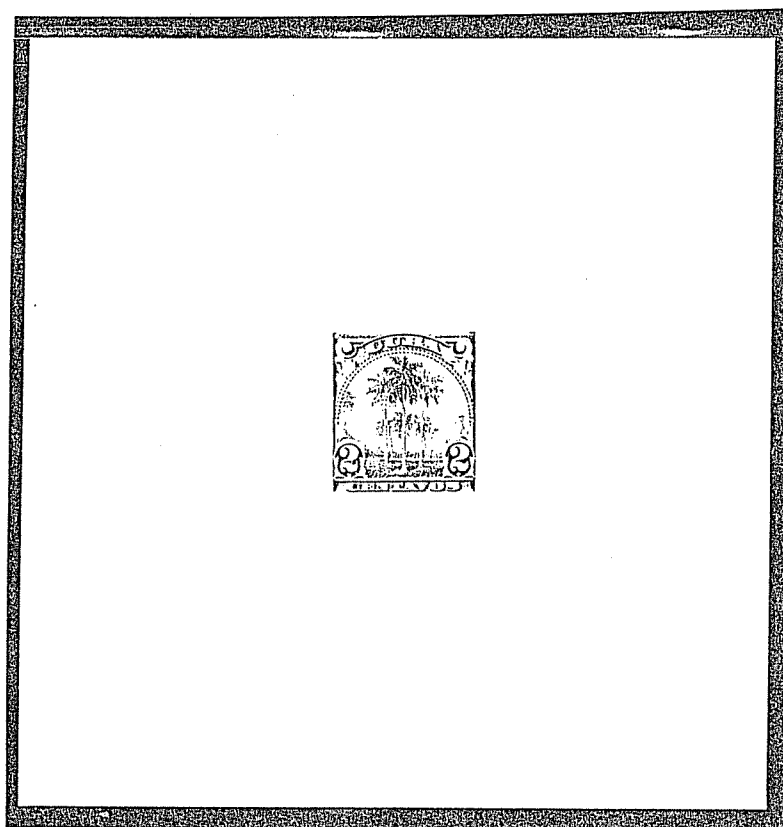


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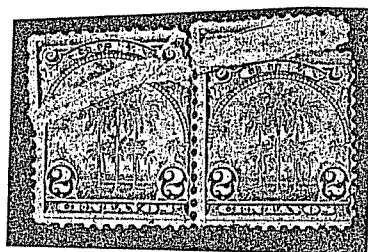


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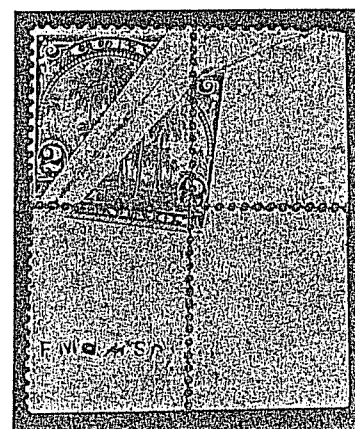


Normal

Pre-Printing
Paper Fold



Paper Fold

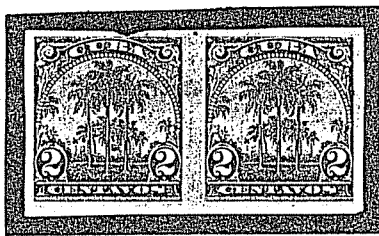


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1905

RE-ENGRAVED FROM 1899
The foliage ornament inside the oval
bearing the value number was removed

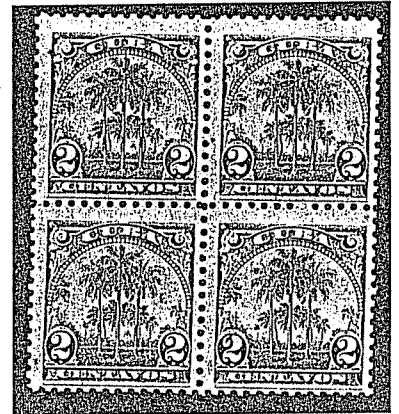
Carmine
Imperforate Pair



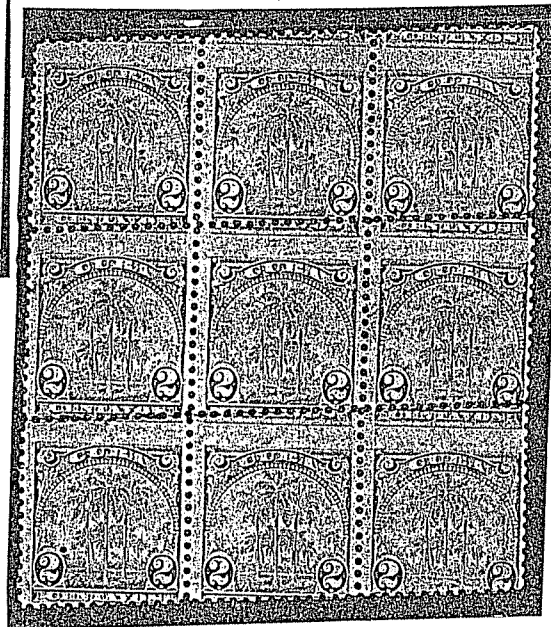
Normal - Rose



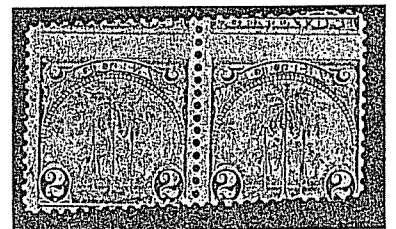
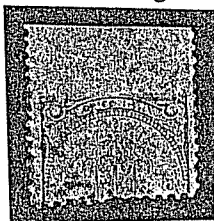
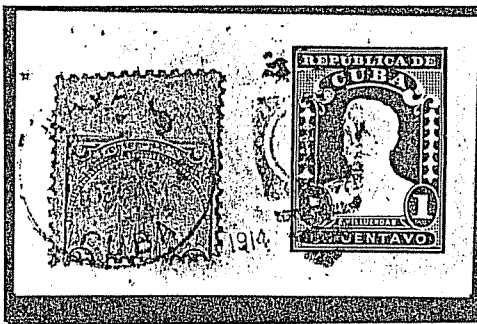
Carmine



Diagonal Misperforation



Misplaced
Misperforation
on Salvage

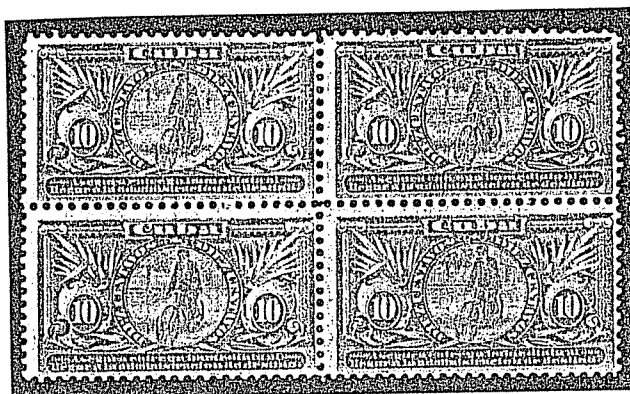


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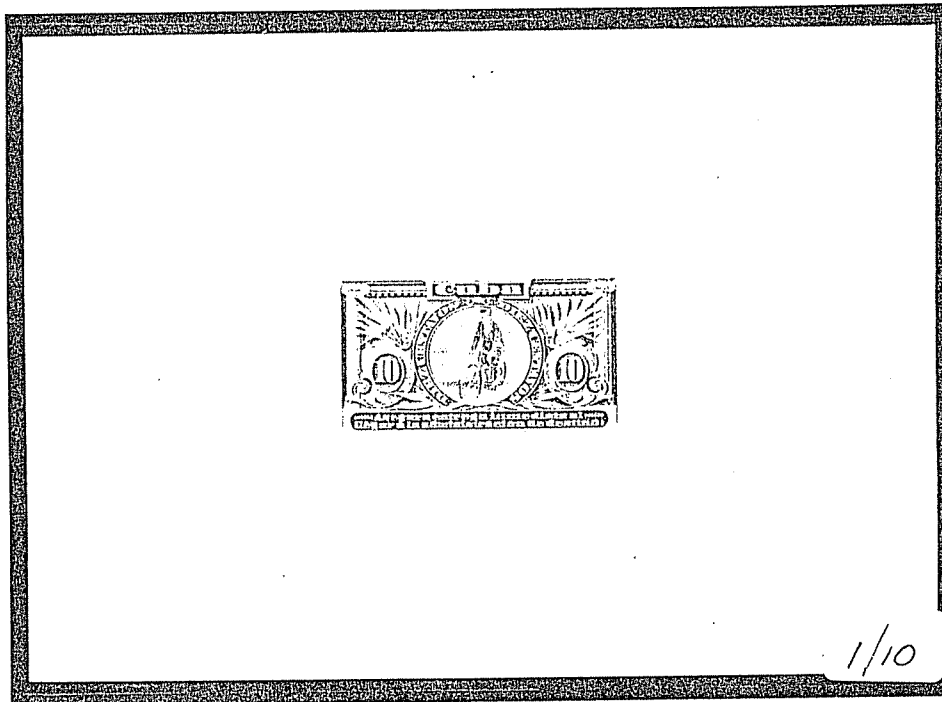
IMMEDIATA



Corresponding word in English, "IMMEDIATE" is spelled with two Ms.
It was wrongly translated into Spanish same way



Nov. 20 - 1902 INMEDIATA
Same design with correct Spanish spelling
LARGE DIE PROOF



INMEDIATA

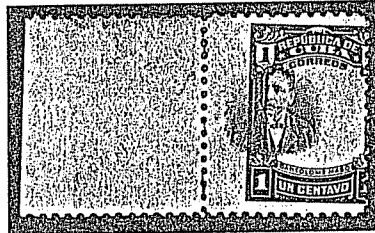
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1910 - February 1st

Unwk. Perf. 12

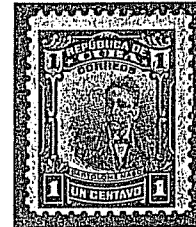


Normal



To End Selvadge

Misplaced



To the Bottom
and Right



3 mm to the
Right

CENTER INVERTED



<u>Denomination</u>	<u>Printed Amount</u>
1¢	1,100
2¢	200
10¢	100
10¢ special delivery	200



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1910

Unwk — Perf. 12



Normal

CENTER INVERTED



Postal Used



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Normal

CENTER INVERTED



Vertical
Misperforated



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Normal



CENTER INVERTED



Center Misplaced



To the Right



To the Left



To the Top



To the Bottom

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Unwmk. — Perf. 12



To the Bottom
2 mm



Green Color
Misplaced

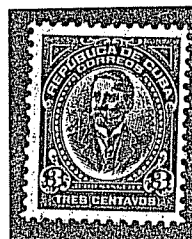


To the Top
1 mm



1 mm

Blue Color Misplaced
to the Top Part



2 mm



Left

1 mm



2 mm

Blue Color Misplaced



1 mm



Right

3 mm



Violet Color
Overinked



1 mm

Blue Color Misplaced
Top Part

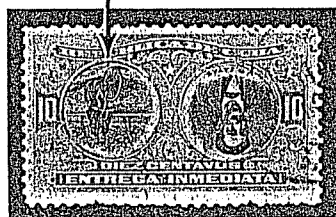
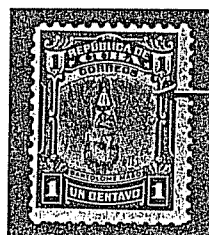


2 mm

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FORGERIES CENTER INVERTED



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Unwmk. — Perf. 12

The perforated issue has 10 values
They were engraved by Security Bank Note and printed by J. López
This is the First Stamp Issue printed in Cuba



1915



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Unwmk. — Perf. 12

The perforated issue has 10 values

But only 8 values are imperforate



1915

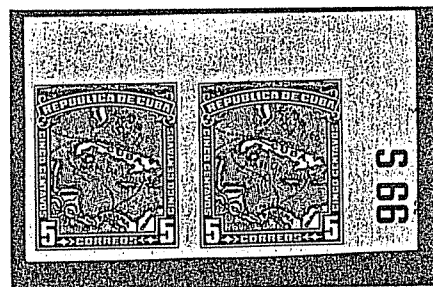
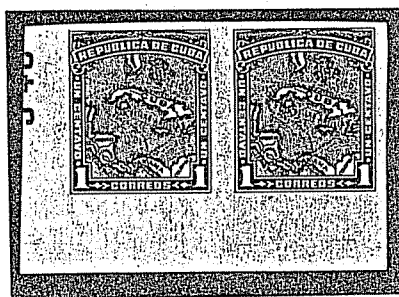


CUBA errors and varieties

1914 - February 24th

Unwmk. — Imperf.

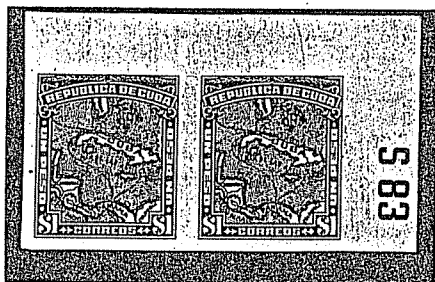
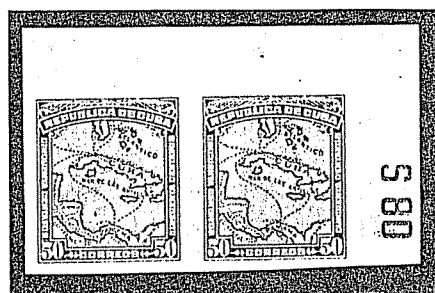
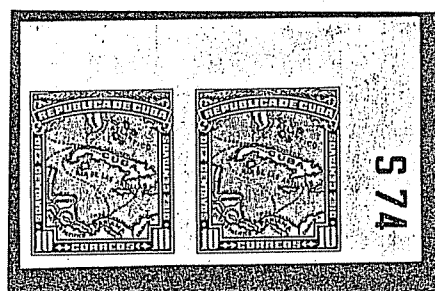
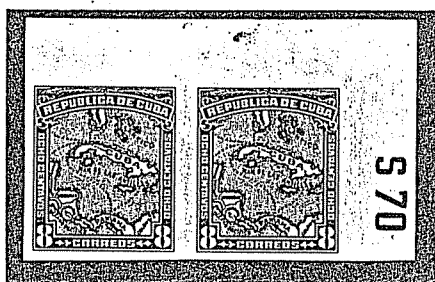
Only eight imperforate stamp values have been recorded. By the number of stamps printed, only four sets should have the Security Bank Note Plate Number



CUBA errors and varieties

1914 - February 24th

Unwmk. — Imperf.



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1914

PRINTED BUT NEVER ISSUED

8¢ Olive Green

Imperforate Proof



IMPERFORATE PROOF ON CARDBOARD



A40

2/5

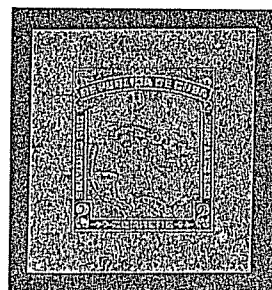
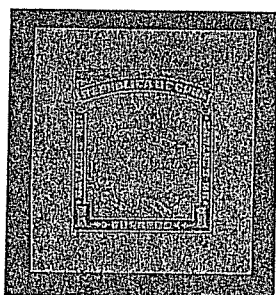
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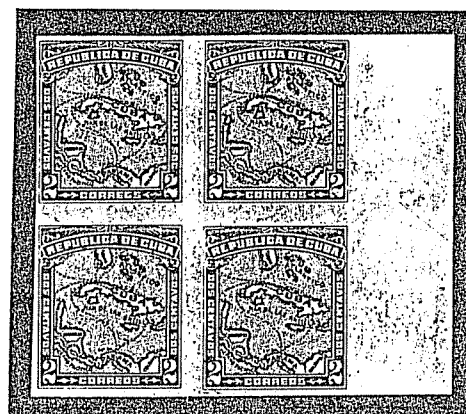
Unwmk. — Perf. 12



1¢ Proofs



2¢ Proofs



THE ONLY TWO BOOKLET PANES IN THIS ISSUE



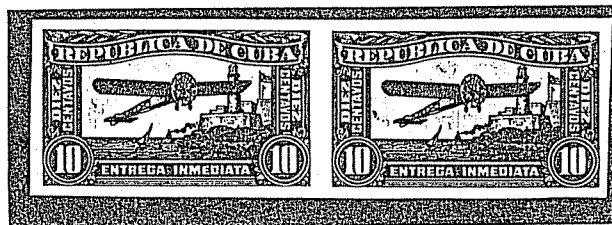
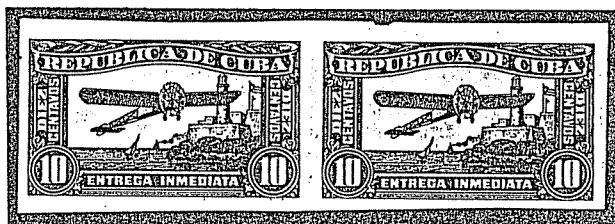
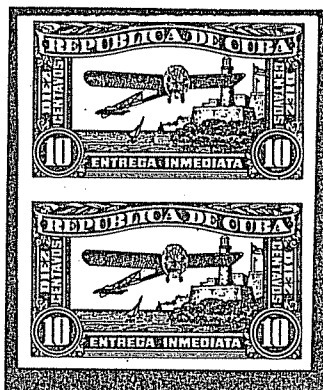
CUBA *errors and varieties*

1914 - February

Normal
Perf. 12 — Unwmk.



Unwatermarked — IMPERFORATE



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1914

Unwmk. — Imperf.

10¢ Entrega Inmediata (Special Delivery)

PROOF

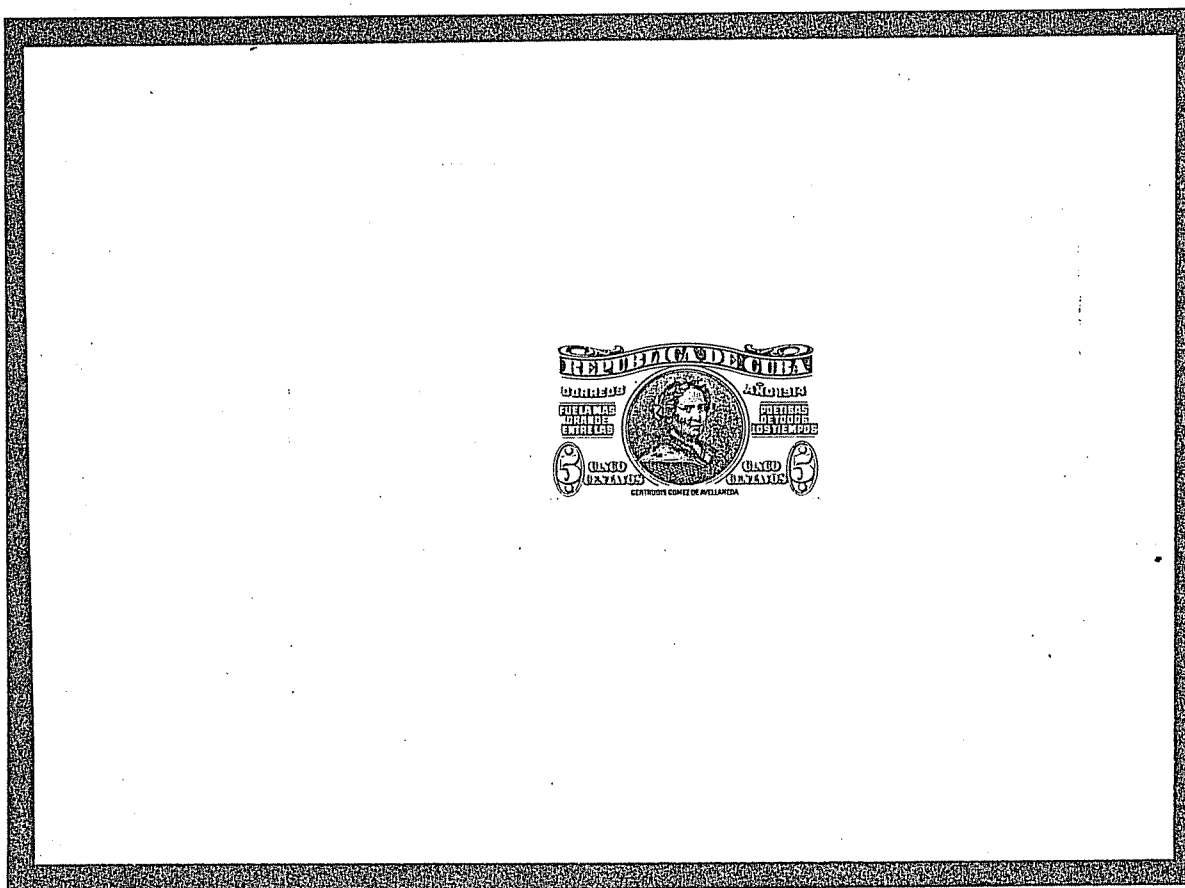
Printed on Cardboard



CUBA errors and varieties

1914

DIE PROOF IN BLACK SUNKEN
ON WATERMARKED LAID PAPER SHEET
SHADING OMITTED FROM FRAME



GREEN CARDBOARD PROOF



NORMAL



CUBA *errors and varieties*

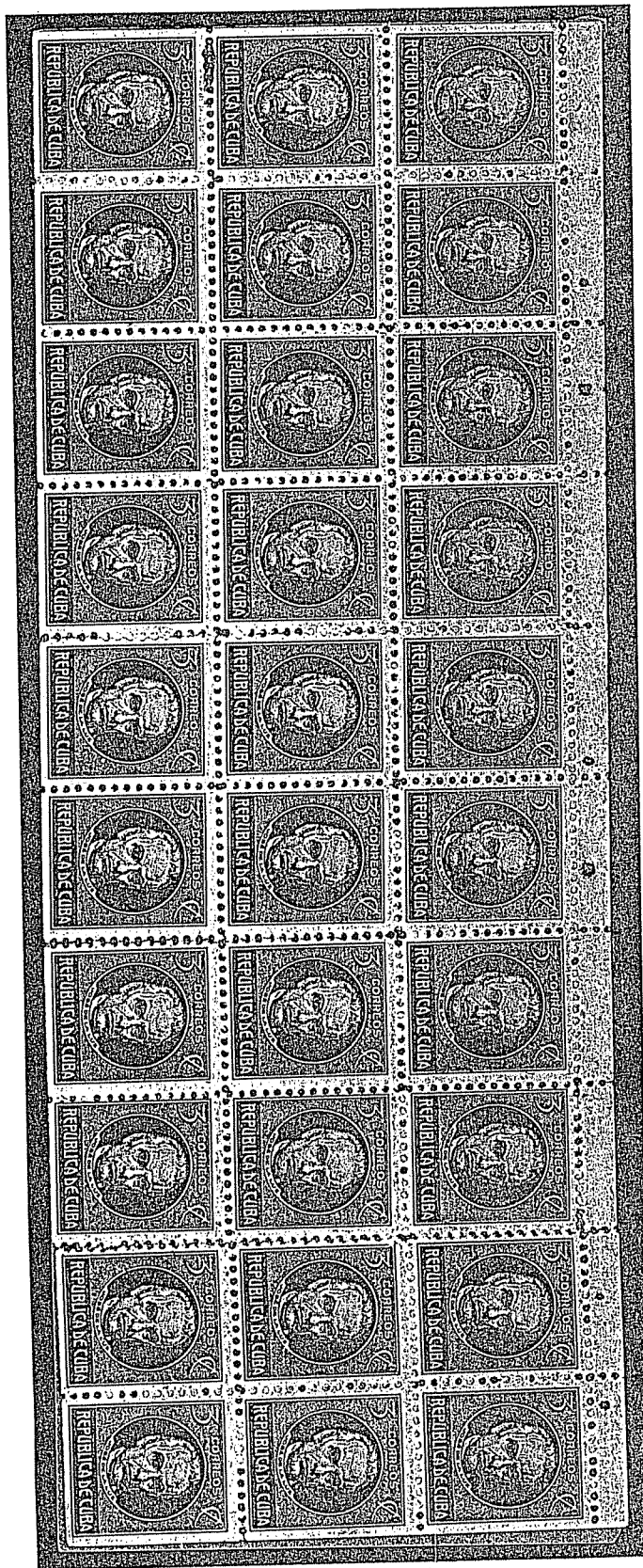
1917 - May 10th

Booklet Pane of 30

Normal - Singles or
Booklet Panes of 6

UNWATERMARKED

Perf. 12



CUBA errors and varieties

1917 - May 10th

Booklet Pane of 30

Normal - Singles or
Booklet Panes of 6

UNWATERMARKED

Perf. 12



CUBA errors and varieties

1917 — Unwmk. Perf. 12

Vertical Misperforation



1917 — Unwmk. Perf. 12

Brown

Cardboard Proof



Gash in Forehead
(Machetazo)



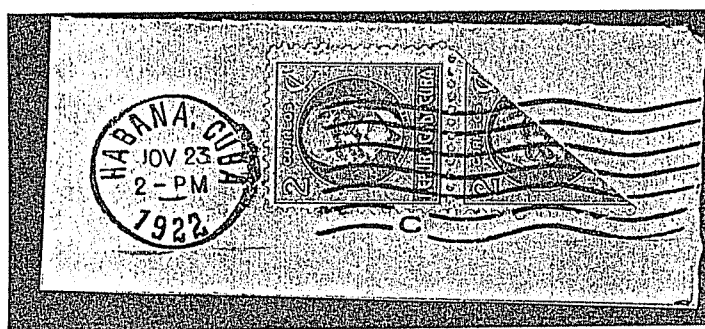
1917 — Unwmk. Perf. 12

Large Misperforation



1917 — Unwmk. Perf. 12

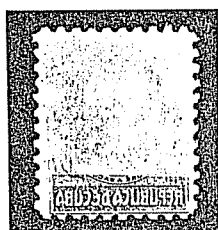
Diagonal Half Used as 1¢



1917 — Unwmk. Perf. 12



Normal



Partial Offset

1917 — Unwmk. Perf. 12

Crease Paper Fold

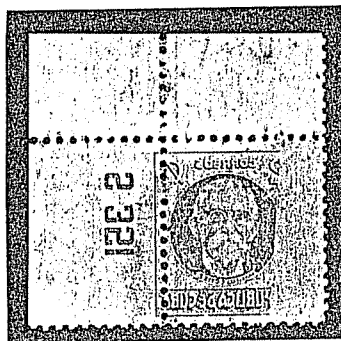


CUBA errors and varieties

1925

Wmk. Star — Perf. 12

Partial Offset



1930

Wmk. — Perf. 10

Overinked



Normal



1930

Wmk. — Perf. 10 (Normal)

Perforation 10 — UNWATERMARKED



Top Stamp Frame Missing

1935

Wmk. — Perf. 10

Preprinting
Paper Fold

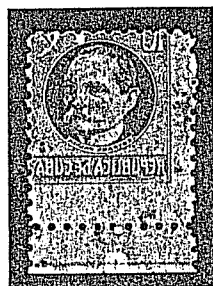
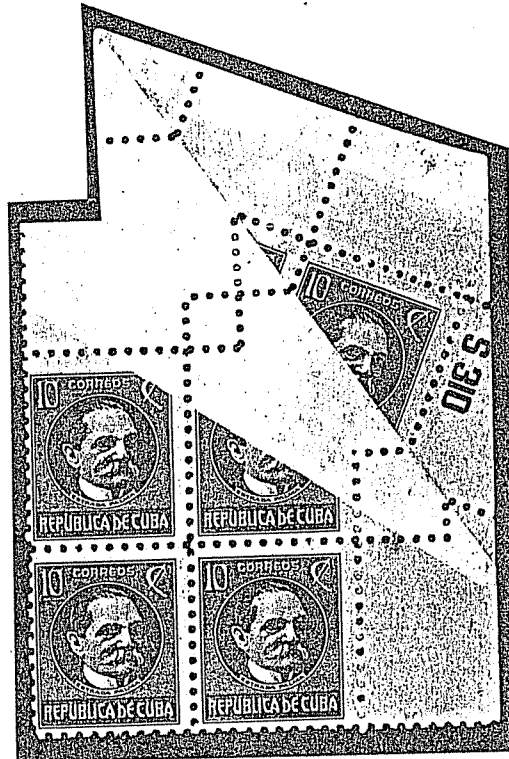


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1927

Unwmk. — Perf. 12

Preprinting Paper Fold
Causing Crazy Perforations



Offset Printing on Back

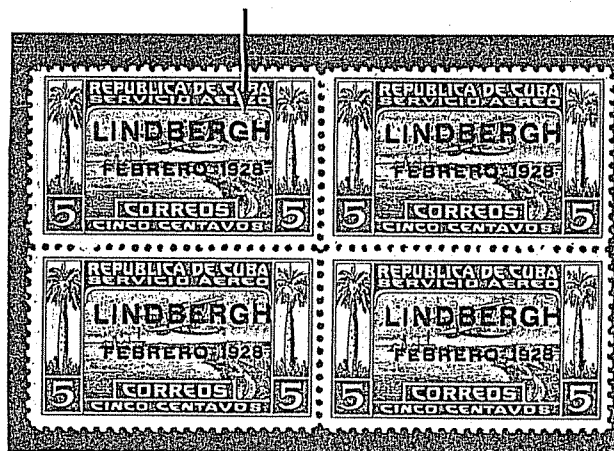


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1928 - November 1st

Wmk. — Perf. 12

Broken Letter "G" of Lindbergh



FAKE
Double Surcharge



Short "F" of
Febrero



Broken "9" of
1928



CUBA errors and varieties

1930

Wmk. Star — Perf. 10
Engraved

FLAT PLATE
18½ x 21½ mm
Bright Rose



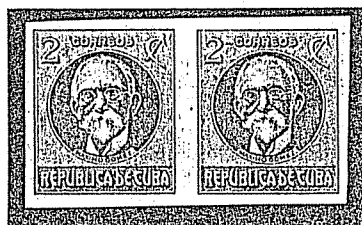
1926

IMPERFORATE

FAKE
Vertical Perforation



Normal



FAKE
Vertical Perforation



CUBA errors and varieties

1930

Wmk. Star — Perf. 10
Engraved

FLAT PLATE
18½ x 21½ mm
Bright Rose



America's veterans . . .
friends we'll remember.

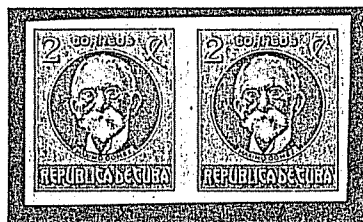
Estas perforaciones eran
legales pero no oficiales.
Véase página 38 del
Handbook III



FAKE
Vertical Perforation



Normal



IMPERFORATE

FAKE
Vertical Perforation





THE PHILATELIC FOUNDATION

21 EAST 40TH STREET
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10016

EXPERT COMMITTEE

No. 0263904

9/30/92

We have examined the enclosed item, of which a photograph is attached, and described by the applicant as follows:

Country: CUBA

<u>Cat. No.</u>	<u>Issue</u>	<u>Denom.</u>	<u>Color</u>
305a	1930-45	2¢	bright rose

Scott's unless otherwise specified.

UNUSED OG
BLOCK OF FOUR WITH ATTACHED TAB FROM BOOKLET
PANE OF SIX.

AND WE ARE OF THE OPINION THAT:

IT IS GENUINE PREVIOUSLY HINGED IN THE TOP
STAMPS. * * * * *



For P. D. Schenck
For The Expert Committee
ACTING Chairman

A 123911

Submitted by

SILVIA GARCIA-FRUTOS

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1931 - February 26th



Wmk. — Perf. 10

Normal

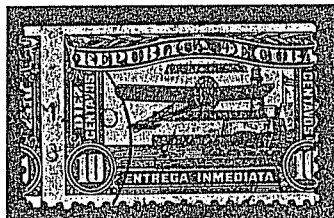
Misperforation



1935

Misperforation

Wmk. — Perf. 10
Blue Paper



Normal

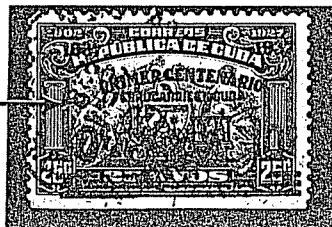
1937 - November 19th

Unwmk. — Perf. 12



Green Circle Over Left 10¢

Lack of Ink on "0" of 10¢

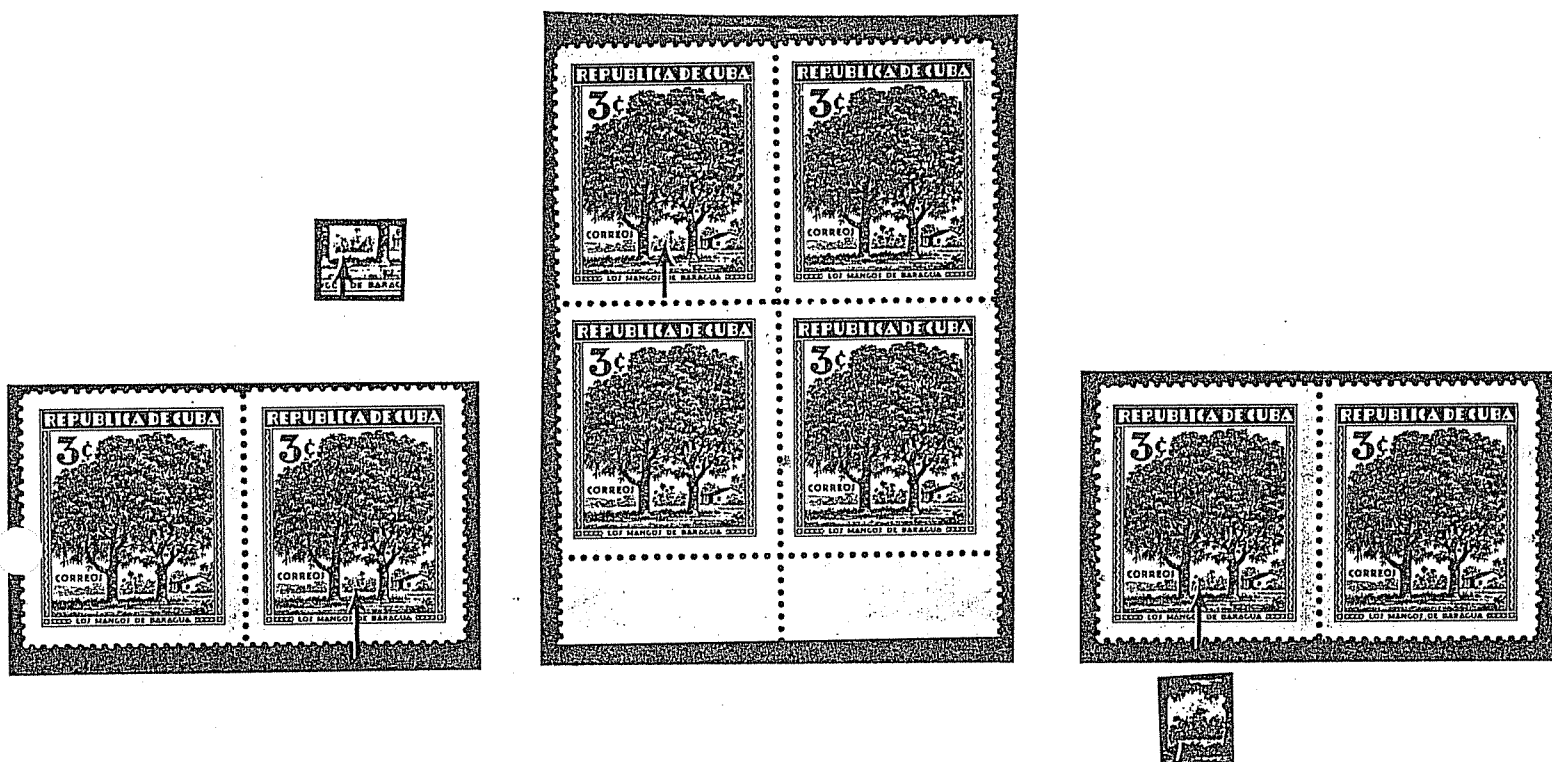


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1933 - May 20th

Wmk. — Perf. 12½

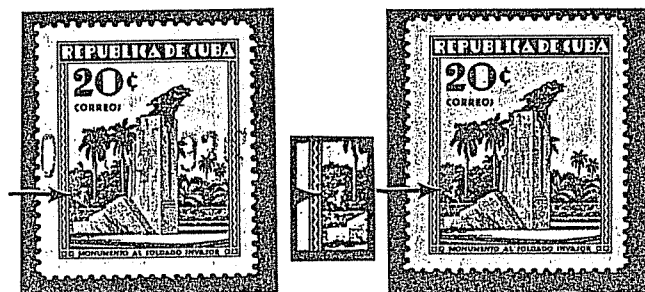
Two Palms instead of Three



Normal



White Stain at Left of Palm

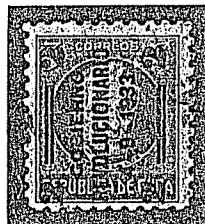


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1933 - December 23rd

Wmk. — Perf. 10

1st Printing
Reading Up



2nd Printing
Reading Down



Gray-Lilac

CUBA errors and varieties

1936 - May 5th

Wmk. — Perf. 12½

Point over Eye of Dove

Normal

Normal



Also First Day Cancellation



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1934

Engr. — Perf. 10



IMPERFORATE
Color Proof
Green



Normal

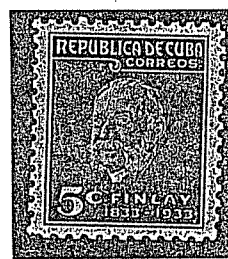
CORREOSI instead of CORREOS



Normal



Blue Paper



CUBA errors and varieties

1935

Wmk. — Perf. 10

Normal

“TREN AEREO”
Split in Half

Surcharge Misplaced
to the Right



Surcharge Misplaced to the Left



Wmk. Imperforate

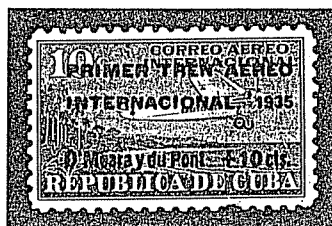


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1935 - April 24th

Unwmk. — Perf. 10

NORMAL



DOUBLE SURCHARGE

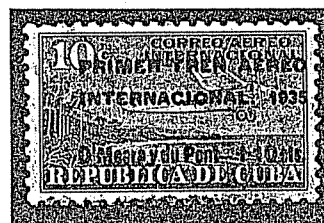


Surcharge Misplaced

To the Left



To the Right



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1936

Perf. 12½

Unissued Colors
Perforated
Color Proofs

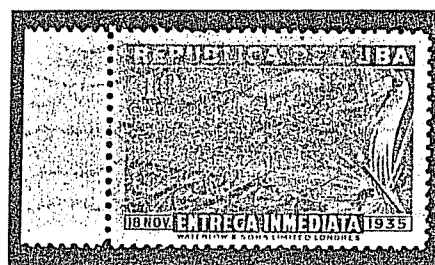
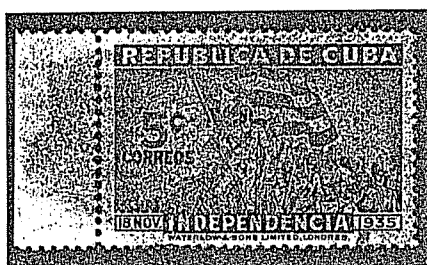


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1936 - November 18th

Wmk. — Perf. 12½

All Stamps with Smeared Colors



CUBA errors and varieties

1936 - November 18th

Wmk. — Perf. 12½

NORMAL

Line from House to 1935



Line from House to 1935



Normal

Cloud at Right Side
of Monument



Normal

Line crossing
"GOMEZ"

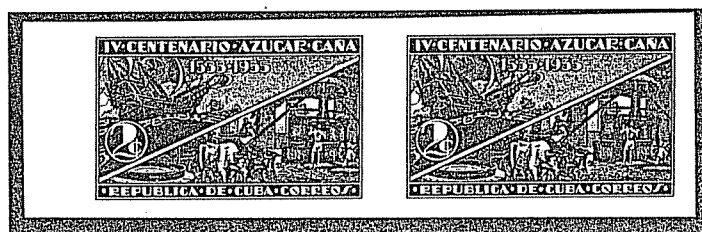
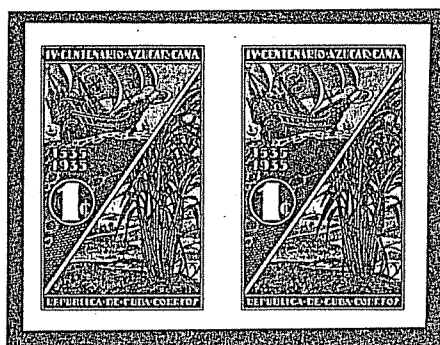


MAXIMO

CUBA *errors and varieties*

1937

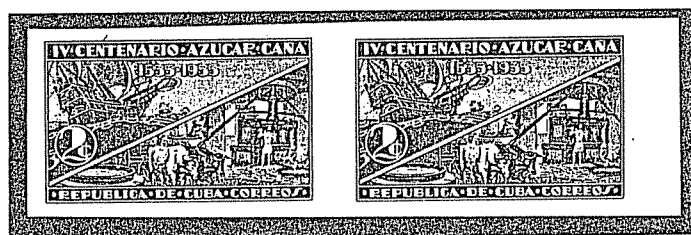
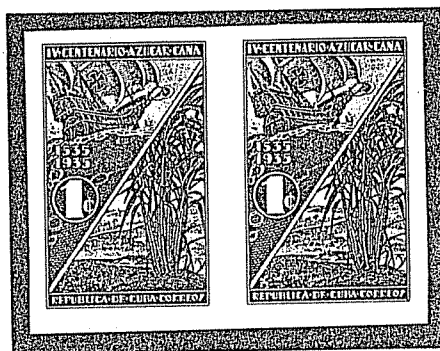
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Imperforate Proof
Different Color from Final Issue



CUBA errors and varieties

1937

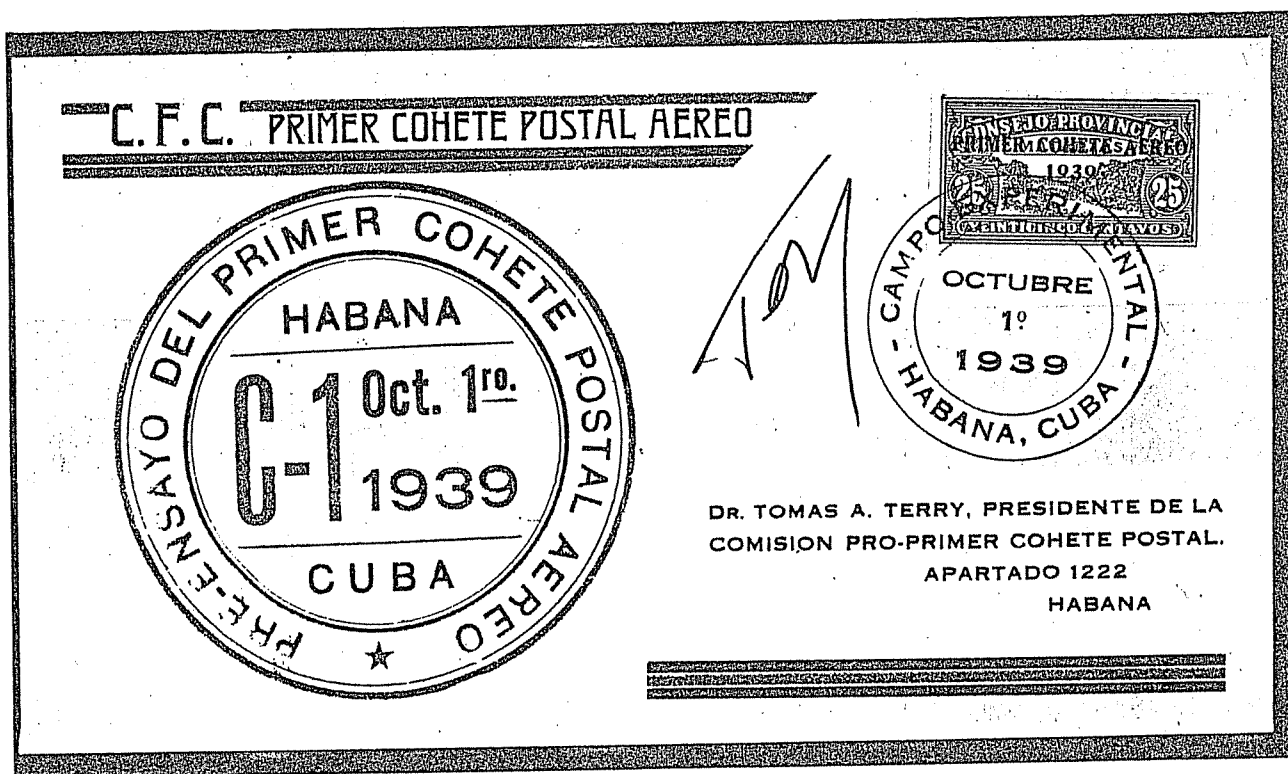
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CUBA errors and varieties

1939 - October 1st

The Consejo Provincial de Matanzas stamps were overprinted to be used for this Experimental Rocket Flight



STAMP WITHOUT
OVERPRINT



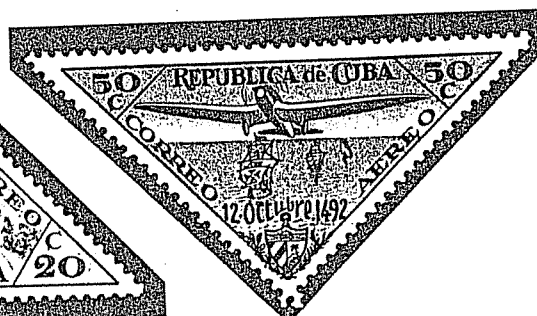
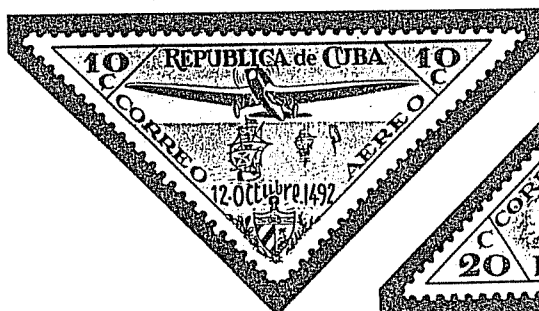
STAMP WITH
OVERPRINT

CUBA errors and varieties

1935

Unwmk. — Perf. 11

Printed, but Never Issued

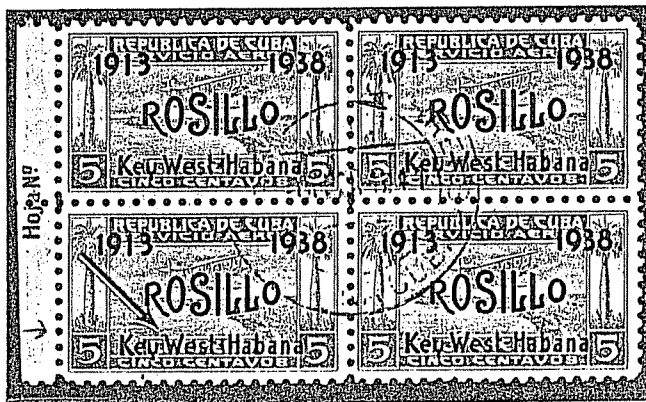
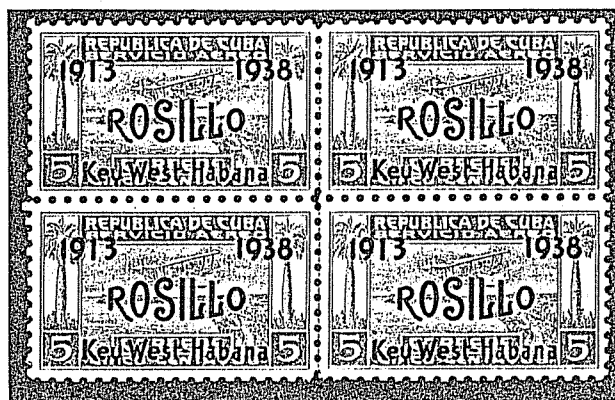


CUBA errors and varieties

1938 - May 15th

Wmk. Star — Perf. 10

Normal



"W" of WEST with
Wide Point

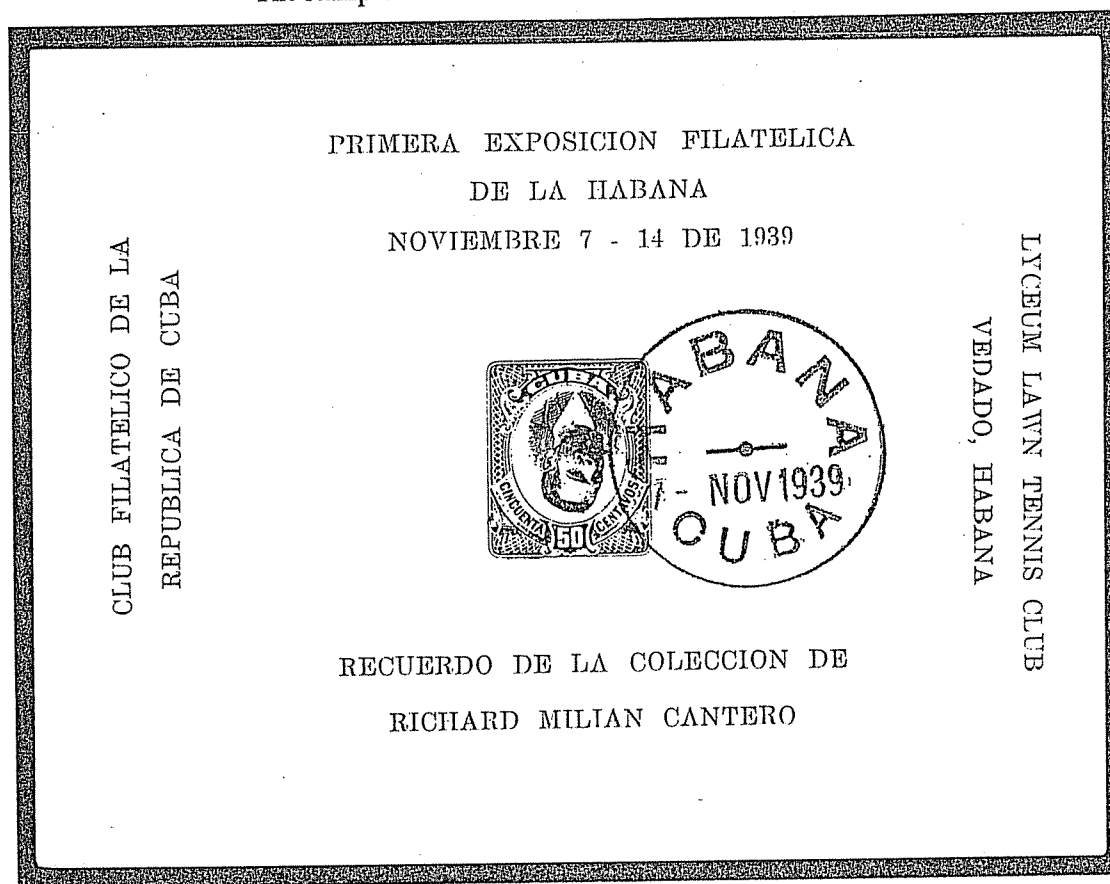


CUBA errors and varieties

1939 - November 7th

A Private Souvenir Sheet
celebrating the
First Philatelic Exhibit in Havana

The stamp on this souvenir sheet has the center inverted



Normal



Center Misplaced

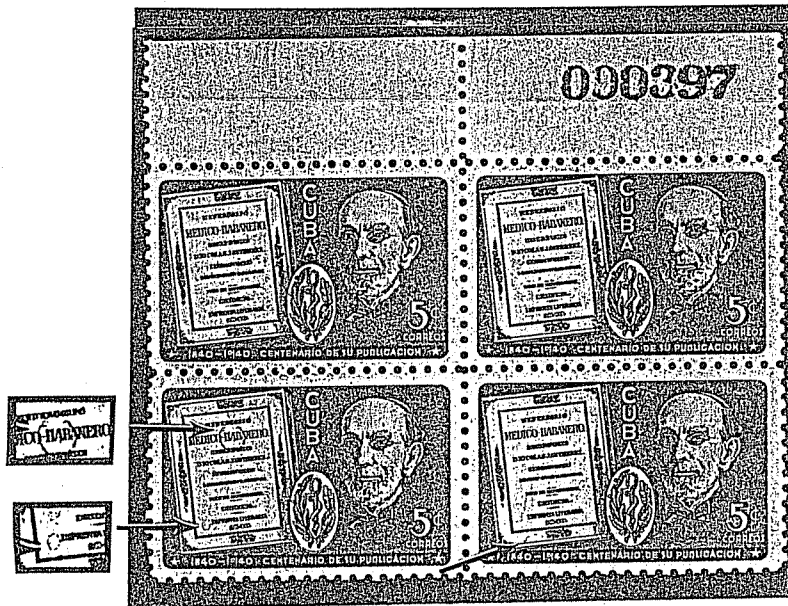


CUBA errors and varieties

1940 - October 28th

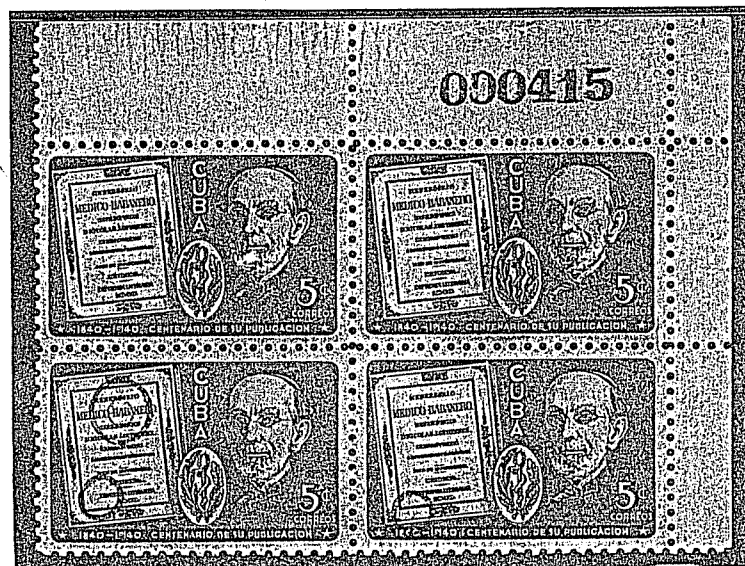
Wmk. — Perf. 10

Circle Over
"MEDICO
HABANERO"



Circle at Right Side of
"IMPRENTA"

Number 5 over 2nd
Line of Book



CUBA errors and varieties

1945

Communications Retirement
Security Fund

Strip of Three
Gray Black
Color Proof
On Paper



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CUBA errors and varieties

1946 - February 5th

Wmk. Star — Perf. 10

Imperforate Proof
Gray Black



Normal
Scarlet

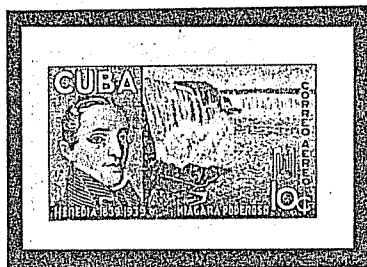


CUBA errors and varieties

1940

DIE COLOR PROOFS

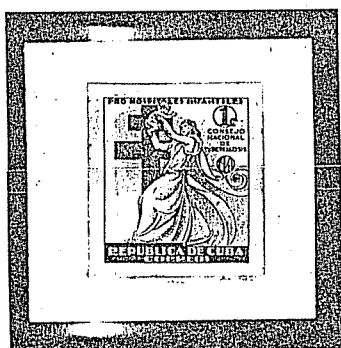
ISSUE COLOR



1941

DIE COLOR PROOF
ON CARDBOARD

ISSUE COLOR



A50

4 3

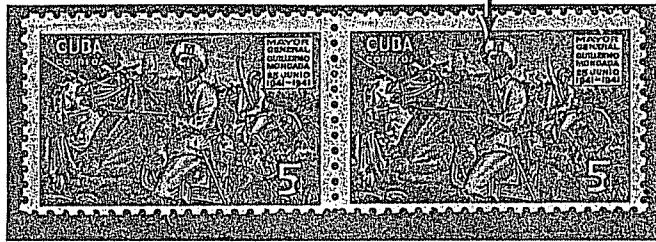
CUBA errors and varieties

1941 - June 25th

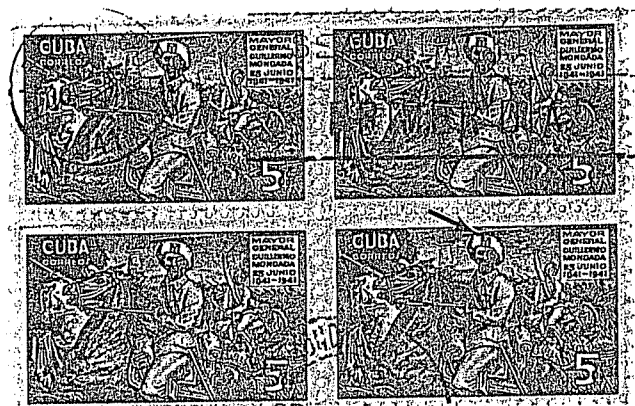
Wmk. — Perf. 10

Normal

Wavy Line
over Machete



Wavy Line over Machete



Sr. José Ignacio Lázaga,
San Mariano 205 oeste,
Víbora, Habana.

JUN 1941

CUBA

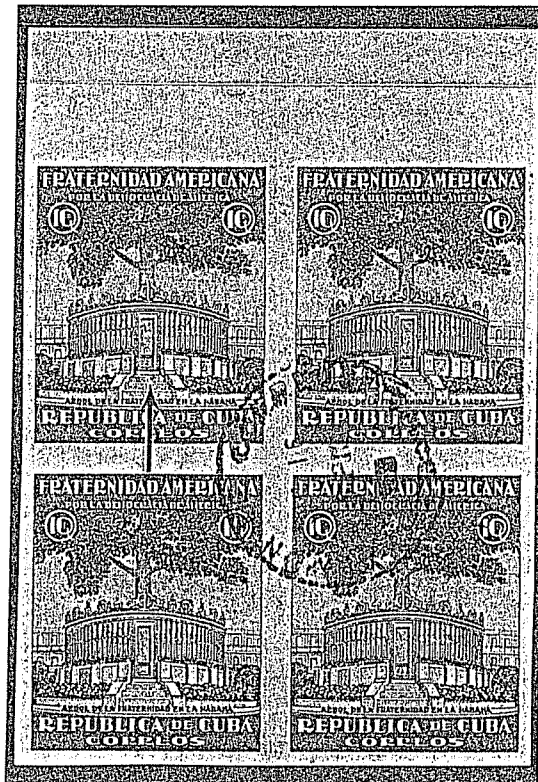
CUBA errors and varieties

1942 - February 23rd

Wmk. Perf. 12½

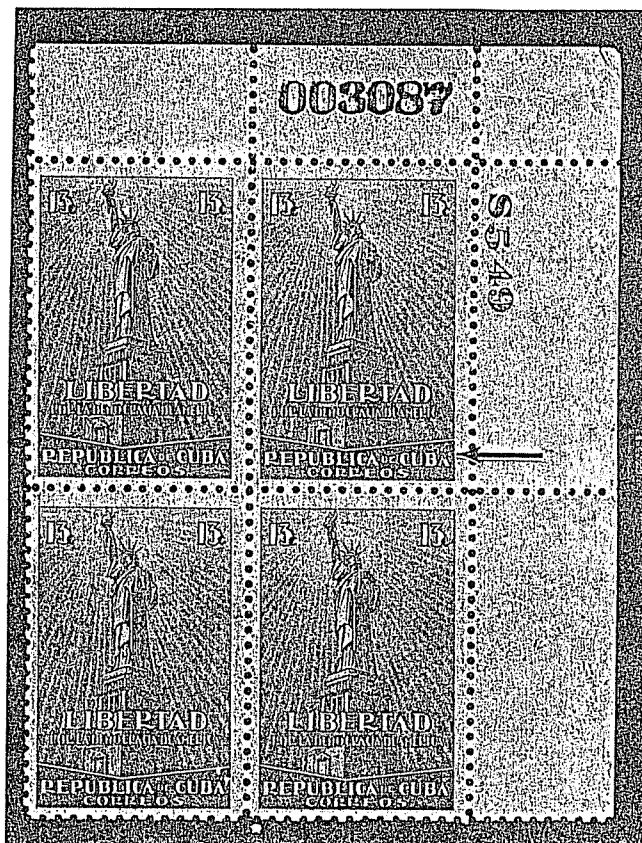
Small Color Proof
On Paper

Leaf Over
Third Step



Normal

Line over "A" of "CUBA"



CUBA errors and varieties

1942 - December 1st

Wmk. — Perf.10

Surcharge Shifting



Thin Numbers



Thick Numbers



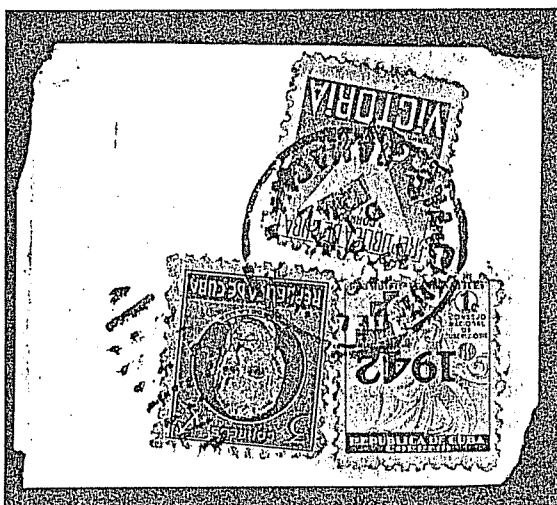
CUBA errors and varieties

1942 - December 1st

Wmk. — Perf.10



Inverted Surcharge

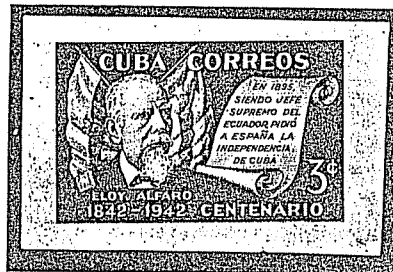


CUBA errors and varieties

1943 - September 20th

Wmk. Star — Perf.10

Imperforate Proof
Brown



Normal



Left Side
Under Inked



Deep Green



Smear Green Color



CUBA errors and varieties

1943 - July 5th

Wmk. — Perf. 10

Double Print



Double Print



Normal

Normal

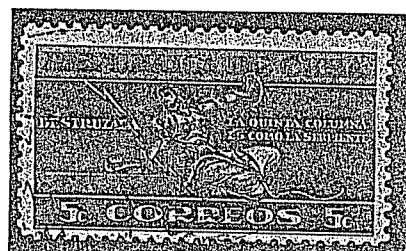


Blue Paper



New

Used

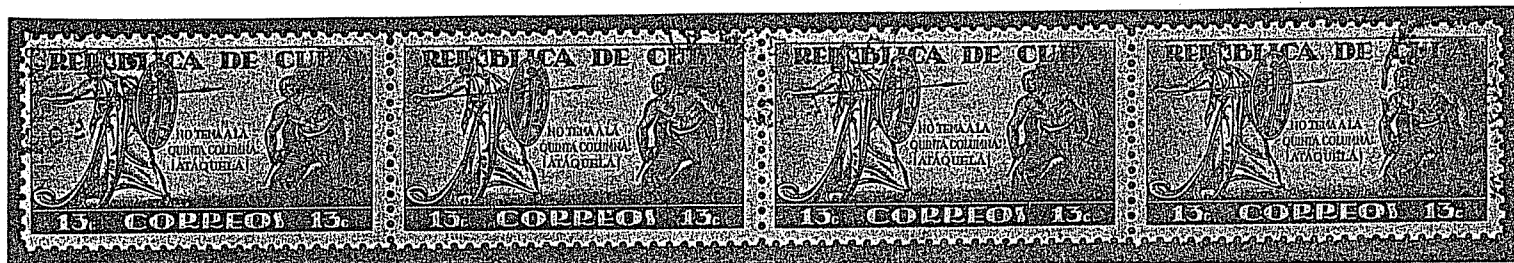


CUBA errors and varieties

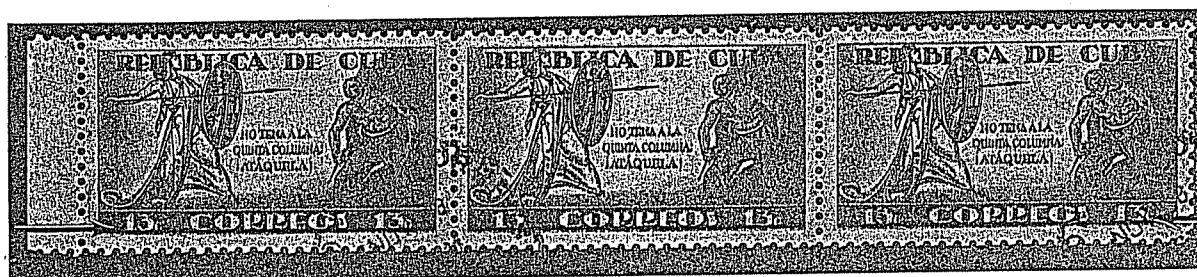
1943 - July 5th

Wmk. — Perf. 10

Normal



Double Print



Normal



Double Print

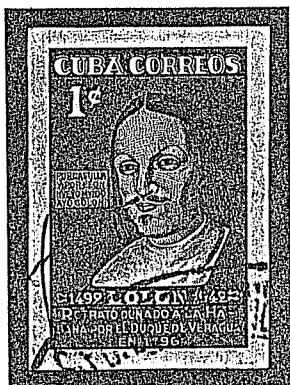


CUBA errors and varieties

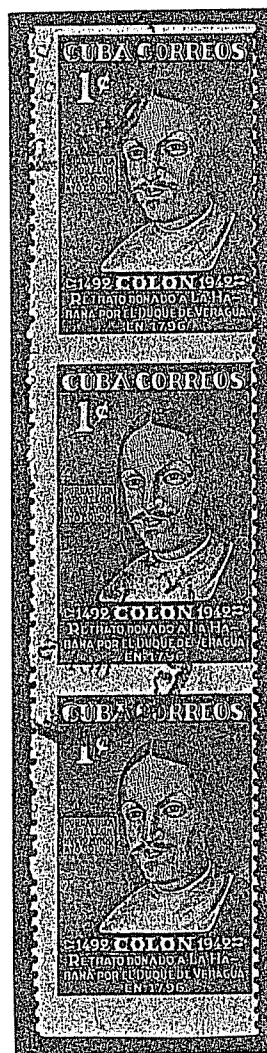
1944 - May 19th

Wmk. Star — Perf.10

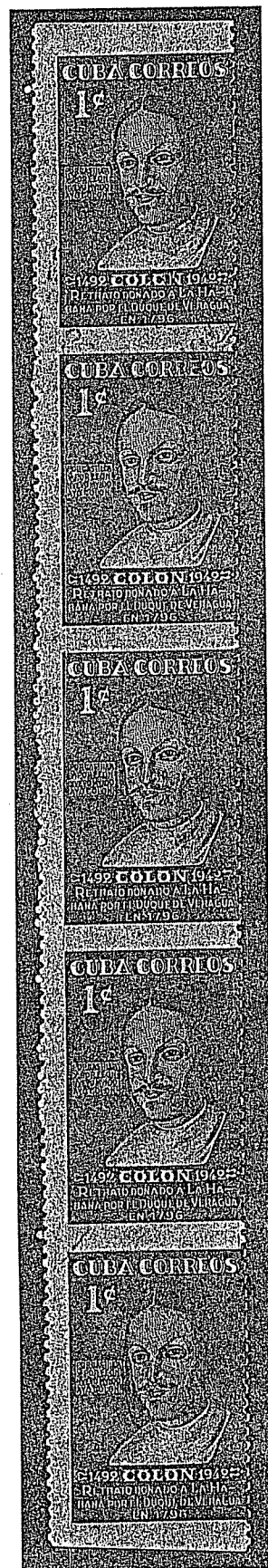
Imperforate Black
Proof



Horizontally
Imperforate



FAKE
Green Color
Chemically Changed



All imperforate stamps are known in
used condition

CUBA errors and varieties

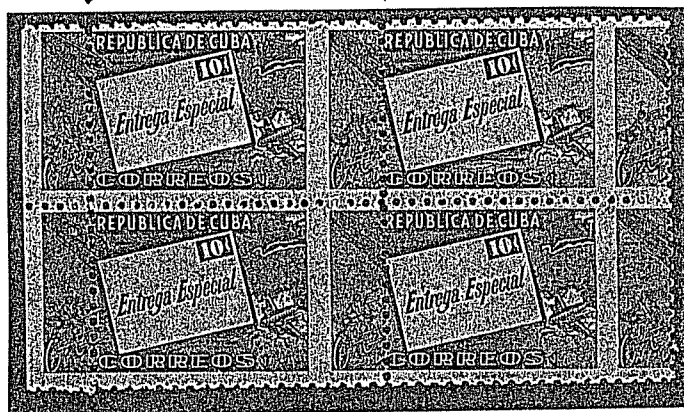
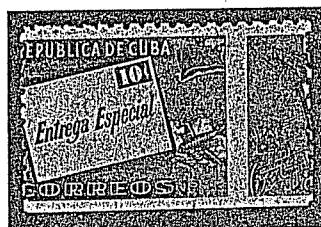
1945 - October 30th

Wmk. Star — Perf. 10

Normal



Vertically Misperforated

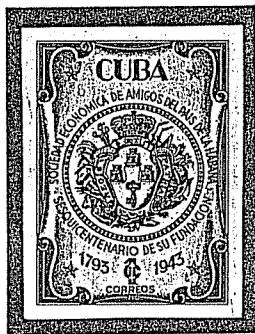


CUBA errors and varieties

1945 - October 5th

Wmk. Star — Perf. 10

SMALL COLOR
PROOF
ON PAPER



Normal



Normal

Accent over "O"
of "CORREOS"



Normal



SMALL COLOR PROOF
ON PAPER



CUBA errors and varieties

1946 - July 4th

Wmk. Star — Perf.10

SMALL COLOR PROOF



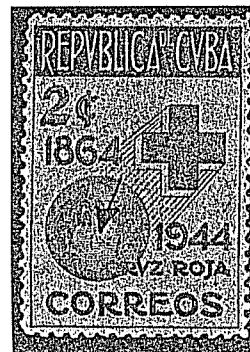
ISSUE COLOR



Line Crossing Diagonally



Islands in the Atlantic



Partially Offset

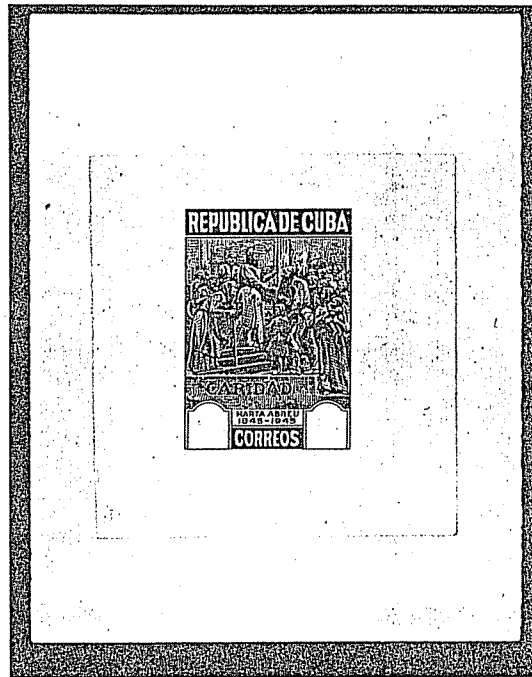


CUBA errors and varieties

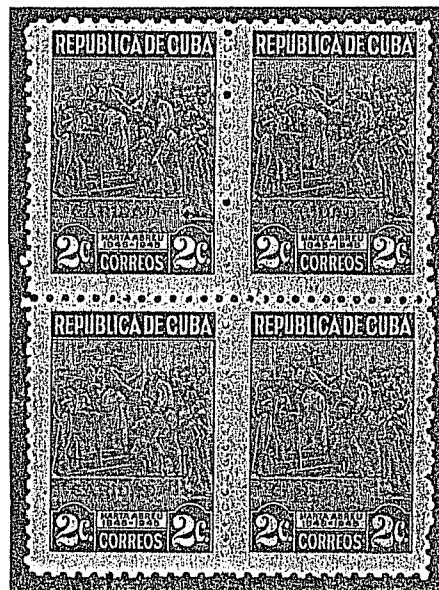
1947

Engraved

COLOR DIE PROOF
ON CARDBOARD
DENOMINATION OMITTED



NORMAL



A32

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CUBA errors and varieties

1947 - February 20th

Wmk. Star — Perf. 10

Point in Cow's Forehead



Position 8