Introduction

This bibliography is based on the excellent pioneer bibliography of Cuban philatelic literature by Dr. José A. Ferrer-Monge of Mayagüez, Puerto Rico, published in two parts in the June and September 1978 issues of the Philatelic Literature Review followed by an addendum published later in the same journal in the first quarter of 1984. Dr. Ferrer-Monge's bibliography provided the serious student of Cuban philately with an invaluable key to the vast store of existing literature on Cuban philately. My long-time interests in Cuban philately welcomed Dr. Ferrer-Monge's bibliography with enthusiasm.

I was introduced to Dr. Ferrer-Monge's bibliography by Mr. Mark R. Tyx, another devotee of Cuban philately and its literature. Shortly thereafter, I started accumulating copies of as many items referenced in the bibliography as I could obtain. I was greatly helped in this endeavor by Mr. Tyx and by Dr. Miguel A. Chiong, another fervent Cuban philatelist and bibliographer. Both provided me with numerous items of Cuban philatelic literature--I suddenly became a collector of Cuban philatelic literature as well!

A collector by nature, I was immediately faced with the problem of organizing and keeping a record of the vast amount of material on Cuban philately published after Dr. Ferrer-Monge's bibliography came to light. Fortunately, my professional expertise in the field of computers quickly came to the rescue: I decided to develop the bibliography using a personal computer so that it could be easily updated and permanently maintained as a living document. I immediately embarked on the project. The original bibliographic project was later expanded to include a subject index of Cuban philatelic literature based on the bibliography (this index is still in its early stages of preparation and is included in the present edition with the caveat that it is incomplete). After much planning and hard work, this bibliography came to fruition. I offer it to you as my personal contribution to Cuban philately with the devotion of an inveterate philatelist.

However, the work is far from over. After Dr. Ferrer-Monge's death, a group of his friends got together, pooled financial resources, and purchased Dr. Ferrer-Monge's library from his widow to ensure his bibliographic research material was preserved. Books from the library have been distributed to the group members or sold elsewhere when they were already available in our libraries. I am currently the repository of Dr. Ferrer-Monge's bibliographic notes and his extensive files of photocopies of articles on Cuban philately which he accumulated during his bibliographic research. I have used part of this material to update and revise this edition and previous editions of my bibliography, but there is still a large amount of material that needs to be reviewed. I still need to provide annotations for a number of existing entries and to improve the subject index to facilitate research of specific topics. Moreover, I think of this bibliography as a living document to which additional citations are to be added as works are published or discovered and are brought to my attention.

This bibliography made its debut at the AMERIPEX 86 International Stamp Show held in Chicago, Illinois, May 22 to June 1, 1986--I refer to that initial version of the bibliography as the AMERIPEX 86 Edition. Each subsequent edition has been created by making extensive corrections and additions to the preceding one. The second edition was presented at the CAPEX 87 International Stamp Exhibition held in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, June 13-21, 1987. That edition was named the CAPEX 87 Edition. The third edition was the HAFNIA 87 Edition, which was prepared for the HAFNIA 87 International Philatelic Exhibition held in Helsinki, Denmark, October 17-27, 1987, but first was first presented at ESPAMER 87, the Spanish American International Exhibition held in La Coruña, Spain, October 2-12, 1987. The fourth edition was the GRANADA 92 Edition, presented at GRANADA 92, the International Philatelic Exhibition held in Granada, Spain, April 24-May 3, 1992. The fifth edition was the PACIFIC 97 Edition which was prepared for presentation at PACIFIC 97, the United States International Philatelic Exhibition held in San Francisco, California, May 29 to June 8, 1997. No further hardcopy versions of this bibliography are currently planned. This Internet edition will be maintained as current as time permits at the following Website: http://www.philat.com/biblio

Additional Historical Background for this Bibliography

The key seminal bibliographic works for my Annotated Bibliography of Cuban Philatelic Literature were the three partial bibliographies of Cuban literature published by Dr. José A. Ferrer Monge of Puerto Rico in the Philatelic Literature Review of June and September 1978 and the following addendum published in the first issue of 1984 of the same journal. Sometime after publication of the first two parts of Dr. Ferrer Monge's work, Mr. Mark R. Tyx, a friend also interested in Cuban philatelic literature, made me aware of them and led to the establishment of a close collaborative relationship with him and with Dr. Miguel A. Chiong, who was also keenly interested in Cuban philatelic literature. This collaborative relationship led to a myriad of exchanges of copies of bibliographic references and copies of documents that lasted until Dr. Chiong's death in December 1995 and still continues with Mr. Tyx.

Then in 1983 Dr. Fernando Camino Zamalloa apprised me of the upcoming publication of his <u>Referencia Bibliográfica Sobre Literatura Española</u> prepared in collaboration with Enrique Barona Leal, and they joined our group of Cuban bibliophiles in our common efforts. Their work was not published until 1985, but more was to come. In 1984 Norman Gahl and Natalio S. Nathan published their <u>Bibliografía Filatélica y Postal: España y sus Ex-Colonias 1500-1980</u> and I established a close working relationship with Norman Gahl who provided me with numerous photocopies of items related to Cuba from his personal library. All citations in these two works that have any relevance to Cuban philately have been incorporated into my bibliography.

In April 1982 I purchased my first IBM personal computer and embarked on the project of digitizing Dr. Ferrer Monge's bibliographic works, integrating them into a unified single bibliography of Cuban philatelic literature that could then be easily expanded using the emerging new technology of the personal computer. As mentioned above, once that was accomplished, I then fed the bibliography with citations having relevance to Cuba from the Camino-Barona and Gahl-Nathan bibliographies. I also kept adding additional bibliographic references to works on Cuban philately published after publication of the Ferrer Monge bibliographies. Work continued to progress to the point that in 1986 with the upcoming international philatelic exhibition AMERIPEX 86 held in Chicago, Illinois, at the end of May 1986, I decided to enter the bibliography in the exhibition's literature competition where it was awarded a silver medal.

Since the Internet was in its infancy at that time, the AMERIPEX 86 Edition which was prepared in my IBM Personal Computer, was submitted in printed form. Thereafter, I continued to enter printed copies of my bibliography at various international philatelic exhibitions as part of their literature competitions, motivating myself to expand the bibliography by feeding it additional citations in preparation for these competitions. Printed editions thus followed for CAPEX 87, ESPAMER 87, HAFNIA 87, GRANADA 92, PACIFIC 97, and Centenario del 98. The versions of the bibliography submitted to the ESPAMER 87 and Centenario del 98 exhibitions were copies of the previous CAPEX 87 and PACIFIC 97 Editions of the bibliography. Distribution records for all of the printed editions of the bibliography are available through the Table of Contents in the bibliography's Internet Website.

By the time of publication of the PACIFIC 97 Edition of the bibliography, the Internet had flourished and had become a feasible and effective communications vehicle for sharing lengthy publications. Considering that distribution of all printed editions of the bibliography had only been oscillating between 30 and 40 copies, I decided to make available the bibliography through the Internet free of charge to the whole World. By March 6, 1998, the Internet Edition of the bibliography was posted on the Internet per e-mail communication with my Website provider on that date. From then on no further copies of the bibliography have been printed; instead the bibliography has been maintained in real time on the Internet as additions and corrections are made separately to its component files. Separate component files are kept for each letter of the alphabet, the title page, introduction, abbreviations, index, and distribution records. The Index was not included in the initial editions of the bibliography—it first appeared in the PACIFIC 97 Edition. The distribution records for each of the printed copies were added in July 2012.

Eventually the idea of preparing sub-bibliographies of specific topics by cutting and pasting pertinent citations from the overall bibliography surfaced. The first one was the Bibliography of Cuban Philatelic Journals. Several more sub-bibliographies have subsequently been generated, most of them prompted by requests from friends for articles from the bibliography on specific areas of Cuban philately. These sub-bibliographies are located below the main bibliography in the main page of the Website.

With the improvements, reductions in price, and proliferation of scanning devices, coupled with improvements in Microsoft's Word word processing capabilities and its integration and interfacing capabilities with Adobe's Acrobat Writer for the creation of PDF files that can link to other PDF files containing scanned copies of documents, the idea of scanning the source documents for the bibliography and linking them to the corresponding citation keys in the bibliography came into being. I thus embarked on this project in mid July 2007. For this effort, I initially created a separate Website containing an exact duplicate of the contents of the bibliography's Internet Website and then started scanning the source documents available in my library and linking them to the citation keys in the duplicate Website. This duplicate bibliography Website is maintained in parallel with the original bibliography Website, but is password protected and only accessible to a limited group of researchers. As of July 2012, five years after scanning of the source documents started, the majority of citations in the bibliography have their citation keys already linked to their source documents, but the work is not complete and continues. You can get an idea of the extent of completeness of this project by looking at the citation keys in the public version of the bibliography. All citation keys that appear underlined and in blue in the public version of the bibliography are linked to their source document in the parallel "linked" bibliography. If you need specific copies of any such documents, send me a request and I will try to send you a copy via e-mail provided the source document is not currently copyrighted and the request is not too onerous.

Source bibliographies

< FERRM7806 > Ferrer-Monge, José A.

"A Partial Bibliography of Cuban Literature"

PLR, Second Series, Vol.27, No.2, WNo.99, Second Quarter 1978, 30 June 1978, pp.68-89 (22);

PLR, Second Series, Vol.27, No.3, WNo.100, Third Ouarter 1978, 30 Sep 1978, pp.132-151 (20).

See <FERRM7509> for draft notes used in preparation of this bibliography.

First published comprehensive bibliography of Cuban philatelic literature. It provided the serious student of Cuban philately with an invaluable key to the vast store of existing literature on Cuban philately. Published in two installments in the <u>PLR</u>, the complete work contained 657 references. Dr. Ferrer-Monge's bibliography was the inspiration and single most important source of information for this bibliography. Almost all entries in his bibliography have been included in this bibliography (Some entries of collateral material have been excluded. A <u>working copy</u> with my annotations is available in my private library).

<FERRM8401> Ferrer-Monge, José A.

"A Partial Bibliography of Cuban Literature: First Addendum"

PLR, Second Series, Vol.33, No.1, WNo.122, First Quarter 1984, pp.19-37 (19).

Addendum to <FERRM7806> containing an additional 382 entries to complement the initial work. Almost all entries have been included in this bibliography (Some entries of collateral material have been excluded. A working copy with my annotations is available in my private library).

<GAHL8400> Gahl, Norman

Bibliografía Filatélica y Postal: España y sus Ex-Colonias 1500-1980

(Philatelic and Postal Bibliography: Spain and Its Ex-Colonies 1500-1980)

Co-author: Natalio S. Nathan (see <NATH8400>).

Madrid, Spain: Museo Postal y de Telecomunicaciones (Postal and Telecommunications Museum), 1984, 551 pp., ill. 1000 copies printed. In Spanish, but with English translation of most annotations so that it can be used with full benefit by English-speaking persons.

Borrowing from <ELIA8502>: A comprehensive bibliography of books and pamphlets dealing with the philately and postal history of Spain and her former colonies. The main listing offers 1785 titles arranged chronologically

from 1514 to 1981. Most of the material is of Spanish origin, but a considerable number of foreign publications are included. Listings are well cross-referenced and there are numerous illustrations. In addition, there are appendices for postal route maps, revenue stamps, and periodicals (both philatelic and official). Literature listings for the early centuries represent an outstanding record of literature likely to be of direct or tangential interest to the postal historian. All citations of relevance to Cuban philately contained therein have been included in this bibliography.

< CAMI8500> Camino Zamalloa, Fernando

Referencia Bibliográfica Sobre Literatura Española

Co-author: Enrique Barona Leal (see entry <BARO8500>).

Avilés, Spain: The Authors, 1985, 252 pp., Span.

Cuba is covered in Sect. 1.2, Postal History of Overseas Possessions, pp.25-29 (5); Sect. 1.3, Postal History of Cuba, pp.31-33 (3); Sect. 2.2, Pre-Philately of Overseas Possessions, p.61; Sect. 2.3, Pre-Philately of Cuba, p.63; and Sect. 3.3, Stamps of Cuba, pp.137-147 (11). Additional entries of relevance to Cuban philately can also be found scattered throughout other sections of the bibliography.

Excellent comprehensive bibliography of the philatelic literature of Spain, its colonies, and former colonies. The bibliography is organized into several sections as follows: postal history, pre-philately, stamps, free frankings and mechanical frankings, topicals, postal stationery, airmail and space philately, postmarks, and general philately. Each section is then subdivided by country, colony, or ex-colony, starting with Spain. Within each geographical subdivision, entries are then listed alphabetically by authors' last names, and in chronological order under each author. Note: All entries in the bibliography that were thought to pertain to Cuban philately have been included in this bibliography; however, since the philately of Cuba under the Spanish Administration is so intrinsically related to that of Spain and its other colonies, there are probably many other citations in Barona and Camino's work that also contain additional information of relevance to Cuban philately.

Use of the Bibliography

The format of entries in the bibliography is as follows:

For periodicals:

- <name and date key>* author's last name, first name and initials (the asterisk following the name and date key is only included for entries for which I have an original or a copy in my library)
- "title of article enclosed in quotes"
- (translation into English of title, if applicable, enclosed in parentheses; if the parentheses are absent, this indicates that a full translation of the article also appears in the publication cited)
- title of the periodical (underlined and usually abbreviated--refer to list of abbreviations in this introduction)
- volume and issue number in which the article appears
- date of the issue: day, month, and year (when available)
- page numbers where the article can be found in the issue, followed by the total number of pages in the article enclosed in parenthesis,
- indication of whether the article contains illustrations (usually abbreviated "ill."),
- indication of the language the article is written in, if it is not English
- brief annotation summarizing the contents of the article and/or highlighting any critical information it contains

For books, and other self-contained publications, or pages therein:

- <name and date key>* author's last name, first name and initials title of book or publication underlined
- (translation into English of title, if applicable, enclosed in parentheses; if the parentheses are absent, this indicates that a full translation of the work also appears under the same cover)
- place of publication followed by ":"
- publisher
- date of publication: day, month, and year (when available),
- edition of the book or publication whenever applicable,
- total number of pages in the book or publication followed by the abbreviation "pp."
- total number of pages of illustrations (if applicable) followed by the abbreviation "ill."
- if the book or publication is not entirely dedicated to matters related to Cuban philately, indication of the portions of the work of interest to the Cuban philatelist (starting and ending page numbers as well as chapter information),
- indication of the language the book or publication is written in, if it is not in English
- brief annotation summarizing the contents of the book or publication and/or highlighting any critical information it contains

Entries in the bibliography are arranged alphabetically by the authors' last name. The works of each author are listed by date of publication beginning with the earliest work. Each entry has been given a reference key for ease of citation and computer accessibility. These keys appear within angular brackets "<>" and usually consist of 8 characters. The first 4 characters are the first 4 letters of the author's last name. The next 2 characters are the last 2 digits of the year of publication, followed by 2 characters for the month. If the author's last name is less than four characters long, only those characters in the last name are used in the key. If only a year date is given in a citation, zeroes are used in place of the month. If the work is known to be published, but either the year or month of publication are not known, the unknown year date is indicated as "yy" and the unknown month date is indicated as "mm". If the work is known to be unpublished, a dash ("-") and a sequential number are used to distinguish it from other unpublished works by the same author. Thus the key for a work published by Juan Mena in September 1936 would be <MENA3609>; if Mena's last name were instead "Men", the key would be <MEN3609>; if no month of publication were given, the key would be <MENA3600>; if no date of publication were given at all, the key would be <MENAyymm>; if the decade of publication is known but the exact year date is not known this is indicated as "yx" as in <MENA9xmm> to indicate that the item was published sometime in the 1990s; and if the references were to several unpublished works, they would be indicated as <MENA-1>. <MENA-2>, etc. When the date of publication is given in the form of 1st, 2nd, 3rd, or 4th quarter of a year, the beginning month of each quarter is used for the month date (i.e., Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct, respectively). When the date of publication is given in the form of a season (i.e., Spring, Summer, Fall, or Winter), the first month of the season is used for the month date (i.e., Mar, Jun, Sep, Dec, respectively).

Using this coding scheme, there are occasions in which different citations have the same key. Instances of this are when the first four letters of authors' last names are identical or when one author publishes more than one work in the same month and year, and even in the same issue of a publication. The conflict in keys due to similar names is resolved by appending a fifth letter after the first four letters of each conflicting key. This fifth letter is the fifth letter of the authors' last names if their fifth letters are different. If the authors' last names coincide in the fifth letter, the first letter of the maternal last name is used to differentiate the entries; or in the absence of a maternal last name, the first letter of their first names is used to distinguish the keys. In this last case, a dash may be added between the fourth and fifth characters to ensure the proper alphabetical ordering of keys and last names whenever there are conflicting entries with and without maternal first names (see table below). If a conflict persists, some unique minimum combinations of letters from the authors' paternal, maternal, and first names, are used to resolve conflicts so as to maintain the keys in the same alphabetical sequence as the authors' names (see first example below).

The conflict in keys due to coincidence in year and month of publication is resolved by adding a lower case letter after the four digits of conflicting date keys. These letters are assigned in increasing alphabetical order

corresponding to increasing days of the month. When an author publishes more than one work in one issue of a publication, a similar scheme is used, differentiating entries by adding a lower case letter in increasing alphabetical order corresponding to the increasing page numbers of the publication. Finally, for the sake of clarity, when the works of an author span over the end of a century, the four date digits are preceded by a fifth digit identifying the century. The following examples illustrate the assignment of keys:

Citation Date	<u>Key</u>
July 1947	<mena-j4707></mena-j4707>
July 1947	<mena-ju4707></mena-ju4707>
July 1947	<mena-jus4707></mena-jus4707>
July 1947	<menad4707></menad4707>
1 July 1899, p.5	<menas89907a></menas89907a>
1 July 1899, p.7	<menas89907b></menas89907b>
17 July 1899, p.3	<menas89907c></menas89907c>
17 July 1899, p.5	<menas89907d></menas89907d>
31 July 1899, p.5	<menas89907e></menas89907e>
Oct. 1899	<menas89910></menas89910>
17 July 1900	<menas90007></menas90007>
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The bibliography also contains entries for philatelic journals, bulletins, and periodicals primarily dedicated to Cuban philately. The key for each such entry is the abbreviation used in this bibliography for the title of the publication. For example, the entry <AF> in the bibliography corresponds to the journal Actividades Filatélicas which is abbreviated AF throughout the bibliography. A list of publication name abbreviations and other abbreviations used in the bibliography is provided in the Abbreviations section of the bibliography.

Frequently, published works do not cite the author. When it is clear that the author of a work is the editor of the publication where it appears, the work has been ascribed to the editor. When no clear authorship is evident and the work appears in a journal, bulletin, or periodical, the work is listed under the name of the publication. Thus, an anonymous article appearing in Actividades Filatélicas of January 1948 would be listed as <AF4801>. Note, however, that such entries are placed in the bibliography in alphabetical order of the key—not the full title of the publication. Finally, publications of the various official governmental institutions of the Island throughout its history are listed under citation keys of the form <POSTn> where "n" is "a" for the Spanish Administration period up to 1898, "b" for the U.S. Administration period from 17 July 1898 to 20 May 1902; "c" for the Republican period from 20 May 1902 to 31 December 1958, "d" for the Castro revolutionary period from 1 January 1959 to date; and "e" for Spanish colonial documents of relevance to Cuban philately.

A Note About Content

The intent in preparing this bibliography has been to be as comprehensive and exhaustive as possible, while trying at the same time to avoid including trivial or otherwise useless information. To that effect, announcements of modern new issues have been excluded if they do not offer information beyond what is available in a general catalog. General and specialized catalogs are listed without differentiation of yearly editions except when a particular edition merits special attention. Auctions and sales of rare or a significant amount of Cuban material have been included in the bibliography. Such entries appear under the name of the house conducting the auction or sale. Auctions and sales of material from collections of identified eminent philatelists are also listed under the philatelists' names. Many auctions with significant Cuban content also appear under <CUES-Auctions> in strict chronological order.

Many entries in the bibliography contain a brief description of the work cited. As time permits, annotations will be provided for entries which currently do not have one and some of the existing ones will be expanded and/or

improved. Contributions of annotations or revisions to existing ones will always be welcome with the understanding that I reserve the right to edit or exclude them as appropriate.

Availability of the Bibliography and Cited Works

After the PACIFIC 97 Edition of this bibliography, I decided to forego printing copies of the bibliography and instead made it available for free to the public via the Internet at my Website **www.philat.com/biblio**. All items in the bibliography whose citation keys are in blue and underlined are available in electronic form from me for a small processing fee if not protected by a copyright. Please contact me with the citation keys of the items desired for a quote. Additionally, all such items are also available in hardcopy form from my library at 10c. per page plus postage, again provided they are not protected by a copyright. Items which I do not have will always be welcome in exchange for items which you might want from the bibliography. Please NOTE: When ordering an article you only need to use its citation key to identify the article.

Request for Help

I intend to make this a "living document" which I will continuously update and upgrade. The possibilities afforded by a personal computer in this work are enormous, as is the potential for continuous improvement of the work already done. However, there are also limits to a single person's effort, scope, and view in such an endeavor. I will thus greatly appreciate any help that anybody can give me in improving the work at hand. To this effect, the following are areas in which help will be most welcome:

- 1. The task of producing an annotated bibliography is impossible to achieve without copies of the cited works. I will thus appreciate receiving original copies or photocopies of any cited work which I am missing (i.e., items whose citation keys are not in blue and underlined or items that do not have an "*" following the citation key). I will also appreciate information about the availability of cited works, especially originals, in public and private libraries.
- 2. I am sure that the bibliography contains numerous errors in the citations and in the annotations. I will welcome any corrections to current text that can be supported with concrete evidence.
- 3. Many entries in the bibliography are not annotated due to the lack of a copy of the work cited or due to lack of time to read the work and to prepare an intelligent annotation. Many existing annotations could use improvement. For example, in order to prepare a good subject index, I will need to provide annotations in the bibliography that identify as clearly as possible the philatelic items discussed in each work cited, down to specific catalog numbers of those items when available, or very good descriptions of the items when they are uncataloged. Any help in improving existing annotations or in providing missing ones will be most welcome.
- 4. Many works in the bibliography do not identify the author. Such works are listed under the title of the publication in which they are to be found. Works without claimed authorship are often written by the editor of the publication containing the work, but this needs to be ascertained without doubt and the name of the editor at the time the publication was issued needs to be determined. Help in establishing the authorship of anonymous works in the bibliography is greatly needed.
- 5. Preparation of a good subject index will require a detailed breakdown of all subject areas pertaining to Cuban philately. Detailed suggested breakdowns for any specific area of expertise in Cuban philately will be most appreciated.

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Equally special mention must be made of Messrs. Mark R. Tyx and Norman Gahl. Mr. Tyx has extensively supported the work from its inception by researching questionable entries, identifying new entries, providing annotations for entries, and locating photocopies of items missing from my library. Mr. Gahl is a more recent active contributor. His monumental <u>Bibliografía Filatélica y Postal: España y sus Ex-Colonias 1500-1980</u>, published in 1984 in collaboration with Natalio S. Nathan, had already long ago been a main source of information for this bibliography. I sent Mr. Gahl a copy of the GRANADA 92 Edition of my bibliography and he has since provided me with photocopies of items I was missing and corrections and suggestions for its improvement. Most of them have been incorporated in this PACIFIC 97 Edition and I'm extremely grateful to him for his invaluable collaboration--which I hope will continue for the preparation of future editions...

Last, but most important, I must express my gratitude to my wife, Laura María Herrera, whose editorial comments and corrections have been invaluable in the preparation of the bibliography and whose overall support throughout the production of the bibliography made the long hours of work bearable.