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<[VAET5800](#)> Vaeth, J. Gordon

Graf Zeppelin

New York: Harper & Brothers, ca. 1958, xvi & 235 pp. plus map & photo plates. Cuba reference on p.149. Mention of planned stop at Havana on return trip from South America to Lakehurst, New Jersey, that had to be bypassed due to bad weather. See <PARK6903> = <CART6903> and <HOFF69906> for related entries.

<[VAGN2009](#)> Vagnetti, Michael J.

"Cigars on Stamps"

"El Tabaco en los Sellos"

CPa, Vol. 30, No.90, Sep-Dec 2020, pp.17-18, ill., Eng. & Span.

Brief article on the collecting of stamps depicting cigars as part of the image. Several Cuban stamps are referenced and illustrated among other stamps from all over the world on the same topic.

<[VALD7400](#)> Valdés, Alfredo E.

CUBA 1855-1974. Catalog Numbers Cross Reference Listing. Guerra-Scott-Hevia-Ivert-Minkus-Gibbons

Miami, FL: Published by the Cuban Philatelic Club, 1974, 45 pp., Eng. & Span.

This is simply of a cross-reference listing of Cuban stamps from 1855-1974 in the catalogs cited in the title.

<[VALD8204](#)> Valdés, Alfredo E.

"Ultramar Handstamp"

POSS, Vol.5, No.2, WNo.16, 2nd Quarter, 1982, p.5, ill.

<[VALD9207](#)> Valdés, Alfredo E.

"Perfins" "Iniciales Perforadas"

Co-author: Silvia García-Frutos (also listed as <GARCF9207>)

CPa, Vol.IV, No.11, Jul-Aug 1992, pp.24-30 (6), ill., Eng. & Span.

A rather comprehensive overview of Cuban perfins with illustration and identification of all known ones to date.

<[VALD9407](#)> Valdés, Alfredo E.

"Sellado Oficial" "Official Sealing"

Co-authored with: Silvia García-Frutos (see <GARCF9407b>) and Ignacio Prats (see <PRAT9407>).

CPa, Vol.VI, No. 16, Jul-Aug 1994, front cover plus pp.32-43 (13), ill., Eng. & Span.

Cuba después de Estados Unidos y Canadá, fue uno de los primeros países en usar sellos de cierre oficial. Para el caso de Cuba, los catálogos Ivert, Gálvez, Guerra y Jones & Roy tienen apartados que listan los sellos de cierre oficial. Imágenes y características distintivas de los siete tipos de sellos de cierre oficial utilizados en Cuba ordenados cronológicamente. Se incluyen imágenes de cubiertas con sellos de cierre oficial.

<[VALD9411](#)> Valdés, Alfredo E.

"Cuba. Mr. O. Zeiher's *Stamped Post Cards*"

"Las Tarjetas Postales Selladas del Señor O. Zeiher"

CPa, Vol.VI, No. 17, Nov-Dec 1994, front cover plus pp.49-51 (3), ill., Eng. & Span.

<[VALD0100](#)> Valdés y González-Roldán, Antonio

Estudio del uso del fechador "Baeza"

(Study of the use of "Baeza" markings (datestamps))

Madrid: Federación Española de Sociedades Filatélicas (FESOFI), 2001, 131 pp., ill., Span.

FESOFI Series "Cuadernos de filatelia", No. 14. Available at the APRL. Call Number: G6561.P857 V145e.

The Baeza datestamps were used in Cuba from 1842 until 1861 (latest reported use). They were also used in Puerto Rico and other Spanish colonies. See <ABRE0412> for a follow-up article detailing the use of the Baeza datestamps in Cuba.

<[VALD1401](#)> Valdés, Gabriel M.

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"Meet Our Members: Gabriel M. Valdés"

"Conozca a Nuestros Miembros: Gabriel M. Valdés"

JCP, Vol.5, No.1, Issue No.15, Jan-Mar 2014, p.24, ill., Eng. & Span.

<[VALD0100](#)> **Valdés y González-Roldán, Antonio**

Estudio del Uso del Fechador "Baeza" (Study of the Use of the "Baeza" Datestamp)

Madrid, Spain: Federación Española de Sociedades Filatélicas (Spanish Federation of Philatelic Societies), 2001, 131 pp., ill., Span.

Although this book is focused on the use of the Baeza datestamp in Spain, there are references to Cuba on pp.14-15, 38, and 57 and a great deal of the information it contains is also applicable to the use of this datestamp in Cuba, Puerto Rico, and the Philippines.

<[VALD0502](#)> **Valdés Rodda, María Victoria**

"Museo Postal. Despertando el afán por el coleccionismo."

("Postal Museum. Awakening the desire for collecting.")

Habana: Granma Digital Internacional (International Digital Granma), Sección Cultura (Cultural Section), 14 Feb 2005, 2 pp., ill., Span.

Brief online article on the role that the Cuban Postal Museum should be and is playing in promoting Cuban philately among the general public. The article includes a brief overview of what the Museum has to offer.

<[VALD2009](#)> **Valdivia Herrero, Lázaro Gerardo**

"La cultura e historia de Santiago de Cuba en los sellos postales nacionales"

("Santiago de Cuba's Culture and History in National Postage Stamps")

Santiago de Cuba: Viña Joven (publication of the Santísima Trinidad Parrish), No.70, Sep-Dec 2020, pp.28-29, ill., Span.

Brief overview of the role of stamps in featuring salient places, history, and people. The article then focuses on Cuban stamps that have been issued featuring places in Santiago de Cuba, historical events that took place there, and significant individuals that participated in those events or whose works merited recognition.

<[VALL8607](#)> **Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del**

"Estudio del lugar donde se imprimió la tarjeta de José Martí en 1904."

("Search for the printer of the 1904 José Martí Cuban postal cards.")

BCFD, Yr.18, No.51, Jul-Sep 1986, pp.6-7, Span.

By comparing the design, lettering, card stock, and size of the José Martí postal cards with those of the Jefferson and Liberty cards issued during the U.S. Administration period, and based on information gleaned from an article published in the journal of the United Postal Stationery Society which he fails to identify, the author deduces that the same firm that produced those card also designed and produced Republic's Martí cards, namely the Oxford Paper Company of Rumford Falls, Augusta, Maine. Since the Republic of Cuba awarded the contract for printing the Martí cards to the American Bank Note Company, the author surmises that the latter probably subcontracted the actual printing of the Martí cards to the Oxford Paper Company. The author also assumes that the same company also printed the subsequent Carlos Manuel de Céspedes and José de la Luz y Caballero cards.

The article is in response to an inquiry in the same bulletin (BCFD) of January-March 1985, page 5, by the Postal Stationery Commission of the Cuban Philatelic Federation under Question No.29, Part d, about the place where the Martí cards were printed. Part d, also inquired about the start date of circulation and whether anyone had seen any of these cards cancelled before January 16, 1905. Neither of the latter two questions is addressed by del Valle's article, which in general, is very poorly written.

<[VALL8905](#)> **Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del**

"Enteros Postales de Cuba del Siglo XIX (I): La primera tarjeta postal"

FCb, Yr.24, No.2, May-Aug 1989, pp.12-13, ill., Span. See <[VALL9003](#)> for English translation.

<[VALL9003](#)> **Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del**

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"New Elements on the Plating of the First Postal Card of the Spanish Dominion in Cuba"
PSta, Vol.32, No.2, WNo.261, Mar-Apr 1990, pp.55-59 (5), ill. Translation of <VALLyymm> in FCb.

<[VALL0009](#)> **Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del**

"Mechanical Franks of Cuba" "Franqueos Mecánicos de Cuba"
CPa, Vol.12, No.36, Last Third 2000, pp.119-121 (3), ill., Eng & Span.

<[VALL0205](#)> **Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del**

"A Brief History of Philately in Cuba: First Part (Until 1959)."
"Breve historia de la filatelia en Cuba: Primera Parte (hasta 1959)."
CPa, Vol.14, No.41, Second Third 2002, pp.76-84 (9), ill., Eng & Span. See <VALL0209> for Second Part.

<[VALL0209](#)> **Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del**

"A Brief History of Philately in Cuba: Second Part (1959 to Date)."
"Breve historia de la filatelia en Cuba: Segunda Parte (1959 hasta hoy)."
CPa, Vol.14, No.42, Last Third 2002, pp.120-127 (8), Eng & Span.

<[VALL0501a](#)> **Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del**

"Guantánamo (1862-1865): Mail from St. Thomas."
"Guantánamo (1862-1865): Correo de St. Thomas."
CPa, Vol.17, No.49, First Third 2005, pp.24-32 (9), ill., Span. & Eng.

<[VALL0501b](#)> **Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del**

"First Flight Covers From and To Cuba, and Special Cancellations Related to Aviation in Cuba (Period 1959-2003)." "Sobres de Primeros Vuelos De y Hacia Cuba, y Cancelaciones Especiales Relativas a la Aviación en Cuba (Período 1959-2003)."
Co-author: Mark R. Tyx (also listed as <TYX0501>).
CPa, Vol.17, No.49, First Third 2005, pp.24-32 (9), ill., Span. & Eng.

<[VALL0701a](#)> **Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del**

"Facturación y cobro de las cartas conteniendo procesos judiciales tramitadas por el correo de la Isla de Cuba"
("Billing and collection of letters containing judicial records processed by the postal service of the Island of Cuba")
CPb, Second Epoch, No.4, Jan-Jul 2007, pp.6-9 (4), ill., Span.

<[VALL0701b](#)> **Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del**

"Letters to the Editor / Cartas al Editor"
Co-author: Alfredo Díaz Gámez (also listed as <DIAZG0701>).
CPa, Vol.18, No.51, First Third 2007, p.5, Eng. & Span.
Letter to the Editor on the subject of the article "The Consolidated Rairoads Perfins (FRCO)" by Silvia García-Frutos in the Second Third 2002 issue of The Cuban Philatelist (see <GARCF0205a>).

<[VALL0801](#)> **Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del**

"La marca de agua ESTRELLA en sellos de la República de Cuba"
("The STAR watermark in stamps of the Republic of Cuba")
CPb, Second Epoch, No.5, Jan-Jul 2008, pp.7-9 (3), ill., Span.
Detailed description of the four distinct types of STAR watermark on the papers used to print Cuban stamp issues over the years. Each type of STAR watermark is illustrated with a detailed description of its measurements and its period of use. At the end of the article there is a reference to the watermark R de C that replaced the watermark STAR in 1958 and continued to be used during the Cuban revolutionary period, including being used in the first aerograms of that period.

<[VALL0807](#)> **Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del**

"Uso del correo ambulante por sobres certificados"

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("Registered use of traveling post office mail")

CPb, Second Epoch, No.6, Jul-Dec 2008, pp.8-10 (3), ill., Span.

Article on the scarce use of the registry service on mail conveyed via the traveling post office system. Three such covers are illustrated and described. The article also shows examples of three special delivery stamps with traveling post office cancellations that may have been used to pay registry services.

<[VALL0901](#)> **Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del**

"The 'STAR' Watermark on the Stamps of the Cuban Republic"

"La marca de agua 'ESTRELLA' en sellos de la República de Cuba"

CPa, Vol.20, No.55, Jan-Apr 2009, pp.11-13 (3), ill., Eng. & Span.

Description and illustration of the known "STAR" watermarks used on most stamp issues of the Republic of Cuba from 1925 into the late 1950s per resolution of the Postmaster General of April 4, 1925. Excepted were those issues printed in England by Waterlow & Sons, Ltd., and some late 1958 issues that used the "R de C" watermark.

<[VALL0907](#)> **Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del**

"El Tren Aéreo Miami-Habana – Habana-Miami"

("The Air Train Miami-Habana – Habana-Miami")

CPb, Second Epoch, No.7, Jul-Oct 2009, pp.12-14 (3), ill., Span.

Background history that motivated the Cuban Air Train and detailed description of the trip of two gliders being towed by an airplane that traveled from Miami to Havana on 14 May 1935 and the return flight from Havana to Miami of 19 May 1935. The article provides details of the trip, the covers transported on the flights, and the commemorative overspirited stamps issued by Cuba for the occasion (Scott C16 and C17, perf. and imperf.). The article shows a cover flown on the trip from Havana to Miami autographed on the back by the pilots.

<[VALL1100a](#)> **Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del**

"Facturación y cobro de las cartas conteniendo procesos judiciales"

("Billing and collection of payment for letters conveying legal proceedings")

FE, No.1, 2011, pp.10-13 (4), ill., Span.

<[VALL1100b](#)> **Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del**

"El Tren Aéreo: Miami-Habana-Miami" ("The Sky Train: Miami-Habana-Miami")

FE, No.1, 2011, pp.51-53 (3), ill., Span.

<[VALL1100c](#)> **Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del**

"El servicio de entrega especial con marcas de las oficinas postales ambulantes"

("The Special Delivery Service and Railway Post Office Postmarks")

Co-author: José Ramón Mallón Bauzá (entry also listed as <[MALL1100c](#)>)

FE, No.1, 2011, pp.56-57, ill., Span.

<[VALL1101](#)> **Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del**

"Use of Railway Post Offices by the Special Delivery Service"

"Uso del Correo Ambulante por el Servicio de Entrega Especial"

Co-author: José Ramón Mallón Bauzá (entry also listed as <[MALL1101](#)>)

JCP, Vol.2, No.1, Issue No.3, Jan-Mar 2011, pp.18-20 (3), ill., Eng. & Span.

Reprint and translation of <[VALL1100c](#)>.

<[VALL1203](#)> **Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del**

"El Correo Ambulante por Ferrocarril en Cuba" ("The Railway Postal System in Cuba")

Unpublished to date article submitted by the author to the ICPS for publication in March 2012. Unfortunately, the article consisted of 75 pages and was too big for publication in the ICPS journal or as an ICPS monograph.

The article is written in Spanish and was later edited in January 2019 by Ernesto Cuesta and made available to ICPS members in the FILACUBA Website. The article contains an overview of the Cuban railway postal system as it evolved from colonial times and was later substantially modified and improved during the U.S. Postal

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Administration of Cuba, modeling it after the U.S. railway post office system. That system was basically maintained intact during the Republic with minor changes, such as the incorporation of cancellers in Spanish and the addition of new branches as the Cuban railway system was expanded.

<[VALL1205](#)> Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del

"Cuños Patrióticos, de Demandas y Apollo aparecidos en la correspondencia entre 1959 y 1962"
("Patriotic Slogans of Demand and Support that Appeared in Correspondence Between 1959 and 1962")
Unpublished illustrations of patriotic slogans, some making demands for support of revolutionary causes and others showing support for other causes that were applied to the correspondence between 1959 and 1962 during processing at various post offices of the island since some of the causes were local in nature. The article consists of illustrations of the slogans and ends with a table listing the illustrated slogans and assigning each one a numbered identification label. The article is 28 pages long and is dated at the end 27 May 2012. All text is in Spanish—no translations are provided.

<[VALL1206](#)> Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del

"Relación de cuños de carácter patrióticos, demandas, festivos y otros empleados en sobres entre 1959-1962"
("Listing of patriotic, demand, festive, and other handstamps used between 1959 and 1962")
Microsoft Word file received from the author dated 1 June 2012, 3 pp., Span. Unpublished as of this writing.

<[VALL1207](#)> Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del

"Postcards *Mi Canto a la Ciudad* of 1984 and 1985--Tarjetas *Mi Canto a la Ciudad* de 1984 y 1985"
JCP, Vol.3, No.3, Issue 9, Jul-Sep 2012, pp.14-17 (4), ill., Eng. & Span.
Reporte de dos tarjetas enteros postales emitidas en 1984 y 1985 para la participación del público en un concurso de canto de La Habana. Se reproducen variedades de impresión de dichas tarjetas.

<[VALL1207a](#)> Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del

"Recollections of Jesús del Valle, July, 2012"
Unpublished two page recollections by (not of) Jesús del Valle of the circumstances behind the production of a semi-postal stamp featuring the bust of Fidel Castro that was intended to raise funds for the construction of a statue in honor of the "Bay of Pigs" victory at Playa Girón, in the southern coast of the province of Matanzas. After a two-day circulation at a stamp exhibition and medicine conference on October 28-29, 1962, Fidel Castro ordered that it be recalled and destroyed on the grounds that he had not authorized it and that it fostered a "personality cult". The article is followed by a one-page edited summary copy of the article's text by Ernesto Cuesta. Also see <[ECHE1207a](#)> consisting of a couple of emails from Carlos Echenagusía adding clarifications and details to Jesús del Valle's recollections. See <[CUES2107](#)> for an article combining the stories of del Valle and Echenagusía.

<[VALL1210](#)> Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del

"Cuban Slogan Cancels of the Socialist Period (1959-2010)"
"Cancelaciones con Bandeleta de Propaganda (1959-2010)"
JCP, Vol.3, No.4, Issue 10, Oct-Dec 2012, pp.3-10 (8), ill., Eng. & Span.
See <[CASTEA0401](#)> for referenced article on the same subject.

<[VALL1304](#)> Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del

"New Receipt Slogan Cancel"
"Nueva Bandeleta de Recepción"
JCP, Vol.4, No.2, Issue No.12, Apr-Jun 2013, p.23, ill., Eng. & Span.

<[VALL1501](#)> Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del

"Varieties of the 2¢ Carlos Manuel de Céspedes cards of 1944 revalued 1¢."
"Variedades de la tarjeta de 2¢ de Carlos Manuel de Céspedes habilitadas en 1944 para 1¢."
JCP, Vol.6, No.1, Issue No.19, Jan-Mar 2015, pp.14-19 (6), ill., Eng. & Span.

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<VALL1909> Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del

"Railroad Post Offices in Cuba (Part One)"

"Correo Ambulante por Ferrocarril en Cuba (Primera Parte)"

CPa, Vol.29, No.87, Sep-Dec 2019, pp.1, 3-10, ill., Span. & Eng.

First part of a three part article about the railway post office (RPO) system in Cuba. See <VALL2001> and <VALL2005> for Parts 2 and 3. Part One covers the Spanish Colonial Period. Unfortunately, upon publication someone alerted the editor that several of the covers shown in the article contained fake markings and upon receipt of the notice, the editor, Fernando Iglesias, sent out a "Retraction" e-mail (<IGLEF1912>) to all Society members notifying them of the problem, identifying the problem covers, and promising an upcoming correction in the following issue of the journal (<IGLEF2001>).

<VALL2001> Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del

"Railroad Post Offices in Cuba (Part Two)"

"Correo Ambulante por Ferrocarril en Cuba (Parte Dos)"

CPa, Vol.30, No.88, Jan-Apr 2020, pp.11-19 (9), ill., Span. & Eng.

Part 2 of a three part article about the railway post office system in Cuba. See <VALL1909> for Part 1 and <VALL2005> for Part 3. Part 2 covers the railway post office system established by and operating during the U.S. Postal Administration of the Island. The article gives an overview of the system followed by a list of the RPOs, distribution points and links with the RPO wagons, and service lines by coastal ships or river boats. In this last list there is a translation error in the column listing the frequency of the trips: 2 semanales is erroneously translated into English as "every two weeks" when it should be "2 weekly". Two different types of RPO cancellations are illustrated and described and several examples of the cancellations on covers and on piece are illustrated. Several of the illustrated cancellations are illegible and one is mislabeled (top one on page 18).

<VALL2005> Valle Rodríguez, Jesús del

"Railroad Post Offices in Cuba (Part Three)"

"Correo Ambulante por Ferrocarril en Cuba (Tercera Tres)"

CPa, Vol.30, No.89, May-Aug 2020, pp.8-21 (14), ill., Span. & Eng.

Part 3 of a three part article about the railway post office system in Cuba. See <VALL1909> for Part 1 and <VALL2001> for Part 2. Part 3 covers the railway post office system operating during the Republic period up to 1954 when the system ceased to operate, being replaced by trucks and airplanes. The article is basically a listing of RPOs followed by images of covers and cover fragments showing various RPOs. The RPOs in the list are numbered and so are the images; however, they don't seem to correspond. Moreover, the cancellations in most of the images shown are illegible, being either partial renditions or too fuzzy, or both. As a final observation, del Valle had sent me this article several years ago for publication in the *Journal of Cuban Philately*, but upon reviewing it, I came to the conclusion that it needed considerable rework to make it fit for publication, and set it aside. However, since the article contained valuable information, I used it to feed my "Listing of towns and cities appearing on railway post office (RPO) cancellations" (see <CUES-RPOs>) and stored some of the better images in my personal database of RPO images.

<VALLEJ9807> Vallejo García-Hevia, José María

"Los Navíos de Aviso y los Correos Marítimos a Indias (1492-1898)"

("The Ships and Maritime Mail Service to the Indies (1492-1898)")

Ivs Fvgit, No.7, 1998, pp.197-266 (70), Span.

Extensive article about the Spanish maritime postal service with the Indies. The article discusses 1) the evolving stages of the maritime postal service with the Indies; 2) the various ships used throughout many years of irregular and conversome transport of correspondence; 3) the attempts to establish a periodic and efficient service, and 4) the Overseas Maritime Postal Service of the 19th Century.

<VAND6500> Van Dam, Theo

"The Postal Markings of Spain"

New York, N.Y.: Fritz Billig Handbook on Postmarks, Vol.13, 1965, pp. ii, 74, ill.

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<VAND7200> Van Dam, Theo

"A Postal History of Spain"

New York, N.Y.: The Collectors Club, Handbook No.24, 1972, pp. vi, 148, ill.

<VAND8009> Van Dam, Theo

"Some Joke"

AP, Sep 1980, p.780, Eng.

Follow-up comments to <GONZV8007> which are refuted by Mr. Gonzáles del Valle in <GONZV8011>.

<VANDB4301>* Van den Berg, George

"Philatelic Notes"

S, Vol.42, No.4, WNo.541, 23 Jan 1943, p.129. **[Bad reference]**

Various notes including forgeries of U.S. Administration surcharged stamps and Cuban postal tax stamps.

<VANDG4408> Van der Gucht, J.

"Disquisiciones Histórico-Geográficas Sobre el Sello de 5 c. (Correo Aéreo), Emisión de 1942, Conmemorando el 45 Aniversario del Descubrimiento de América y de Cuba" ("In-Depth Historic-Geographic Study of the 5 c. Stamp (Airmail), 1942 Issue, Commemorating the 45th Anniversary of the Discovery of America and Cuba")
AF, Yr.IX, No.28, Aug-Sep-Oct 1944, pp.15-16 (2), Span. Reprinted in <VANDG8404>.

Historic-geographic discussion of the particular view of the mountains known as "Silla de Gibara", that was chosen to be depicted in Scott C36 as the first Cuban land sighted by Columbus in his first voyage to America. The view depicted in the stamp was chosen after consultation with historians on the line of approach of the Columbus expedition in a southsouth west direction into the port of Bariay, and does not correspond to the more familiar view of those mountains from the port of Gibara.

<VANDG8404> Van der Gucht, J.

"CUBA: La Primera Tierra Vista por Colón"

("CUBA: The First Land Sighted by Columbus")

BNJ, No.9, Apr 1987, pp.10-11, ill., Span.

Improperly retitled reprint of <VANDG4408>. The proper retitling should have been "The First Cuban Land Sighted by Columbus".

<VANDH4601> Vanderhoof, E. R.

"A Cuban Study"

WPG, Vol.41, No.19, WNo.1262, 12 Jan 1946, pp.490-491, ill.

Good study of the surcharged Giro revenues of 1883. The article notes the existence of only four types of surcharges applied to the regular 1882 bistré Giro stamps, similar to the surcharges applied to the regular postage stamps but with the value in the center replaced by a core of facing semicircles. One interesting item in the article is the mention of the existence of a pane of the stamps in the possession of the author from which he deduces that the setting for the surcharges was done in groups of 50 consisting of 5 rows of ten stamps. The author illustrates the setting of the 50 surcharges in the article. It is not clear, however, whether the pane in his possession is a pane of 50 or 100 stamps--if it is a pane of 100 it would have been key to state that the setting repeated in the bottom half of the pane. The article mentions that the surcharges are apparently symmetrical in the four cardinal directions but with minor variations which can be identified upon careful examination. This assertion is incorrect because the symmetry only exists in two directions, the surcharges being rectangular, not square. The article goes on to note varieties in the printing of the four denominations of the surcharges consisting of missing or broken letters or numerals. Another interesting observation is that it appears that the surcharges were printed separately from the word GIRO above them and the values of the surcharges below them. The article ends by mentioning the existence of forgeries of these surcharges and classifies them into two types, providing identifying characteristics for each, and commenting that they are quite rare.

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<VANDL1912> Van der Linden, James

Mail Across the Oceans – From the beginning to 1875

La correspondance à travers les océans – Des origins jusqu'à 1875

Prepared in cooperation with Jozef Bernard Lux and Paul Wijnants.

Published by the Musée de Timbres et des Monnaies de Monaco (Club de Monte Carlo), Dec 2019, 296 pp., ill., available in English or French.

Quoting from a book review in the Philatelic Literature Review of the American Philatelic Research Library, Third Quarter 2020, pp.224-226: "The chapter on the steamships serving the Caribbean provides valuable information about the British line and the Spanish, German, and French mail routes.

<VANJ6503> Van Jochem, Leo J.

"Observaciones sobre los primeros vuelos de Venezuela en rutas internacionales"

"Observations about the first Venezuelan international flights"

Revista Club Filatélico de Caracas, Yr 4, No.21, Mar-Apr 1965, pp.21-27 (7), ill., Span.

Although focused on the first international flights of Venezuela, the article contains several references to stopovers of those Venezuelan flights through Havana, Cienfuegos, and Camagüey.

<VANV6800> Van Vlissingen, Arthur

New York Foreign Mail Cancellations 1870-1876

Co-author: Morrison Waud (see <WAUD6800>)

Chicago, Il.: The Collectors Club of Chicago, 1968. References to Cuba on pp. 49, 51, 76-78, and 99.

The references on pages 76-78 deal with a discussion of two combination covers bearing Cuban and U.S. stamps cancelled with New York foreign mail cancellations. One of the two covers is illustrated on p.76. Page 99 lists Cuba as one of the countries for which New York foreign mail covers are known to exist and lists the rates applicable to conveyance by steamers during the period 1870-1876.

<VARO5511> Varona, Bernabé de

"Últimas Emisiones Postales de Cuba" ("Latest Cuban Postal Issues")

AF, November 1955, pp.113-117 (5).

Special issue for CUPEX, the 1955 Cuban International Philatelic Exposition.

Notes on several issues, first day cancels, etc.

<VARO5601> Varona, Bernabé de

"Novedades y Comentarios" ("News and Comments")

AF, Yr.XXIX, No.65, January-February 1956, pp.18-19.

<VARO5701> Varona, Bernabé de

"Emisiones Postales del Primer Semestre de 1957"

("Postal Issues of the First Semester of 1957")

AF, Yr.XXX, No.67, January-June 1957, pp.20-23 (4).

<VARO5707> Varona, Bernabé de

"Emisiones del Segundo Semestre de 1957" ("Issues of the Second Semester of 1957")

AF, Yr.XXXI, No.68, July-December 1957, pp.8-13 (6).

<VARO7609> Varona, Bernabé de

"Emisiones de Navidad en Cuba" ("Cuban Christmas Issues")

CP, Vol.6, No.1, September 1976, pp.28-29.

Account of Cuban Christmas issues from 1951 to 1960.

<VARO7712> Varona, Bernabé de

"Cosas Curiosas" "Items of Curiosity"

CP, Vol.7, No.2, December 1977, pp.26-31 (6), Span. & Eng.

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Melange of notes on varieties, errors, curiosities, anecdotes, etc. pertaining to various Cuban stamp issues. All referenced stamps are identified by Guerra Aguiar catalog numbers (see <GUER5600>).

<[VARO8408](#)> **Varona, Bernabé de**

"Mi Primo Tomasito" ("My Cousin Tomasito")

BNJ, No.11, Aug 1984, pp.10-12 (3), ill., Span. with English summary on p.23 (paraphrased below).

Article of a biographical nature in which the author tells us of the influence that his recently deceased cousin, Dr. Tomás Terry, had in his philatelic interests. The article provides some information on the 1939 Cuban rocket mail experiment for which the author was requested by Dr. Terry to be the official photographer.

<[VARO8410](#)> **Varona, Bernabé de**

"CUBA: Tres 'Primeros Días' poco conocidos" ("CUBA: Three Little Known First Day Covers")

BNJ, No.12, Oct 1984, pp.3-5 (3), ill., Span. with English summary in p.20 (paraphrased below).

Report of three little known first day ceremonies held during the early 40's. The first was the inauguration of the "Postal Trolley Cars" in the city of Havana on 25 January 1942 providing mail boxes located in trolley cars along routes that passed through the main post office in Old Havana where the mail was retrieved and posted. Covers placed in the mail boxes the first day of the service received a special cancellation. The second event was organized by the Cuban Society of Pigeon Lovers and was a onetime race of pigeons carrying messages attached to their legs from the town of Colón to Havana. The event took place on 21 December 1941 and those messages that arrived safely at Havana were placed into specially prepared envelopes commemorating the occasion. It is interesting to note that the FDC shown has a cachet that reads "Pigeongrama--Ayude a las Democracias" ("Pigeongram--Help the Democracies") and a large bold "V" (for Victory) in the center of the cover, both promoting support for the allied war effort in Europe. The word "pigeongrama" is a blatant "anglicism" and of no relation to the war effort--a case of poor judgement by the designer of the FDC. The third event commemorated was the first use of radiosonde balloons to make meteorological observations. This system was inaugurated by the Cuban National Observatory on 8 September 1944 and commemorative covers were prepared for the occasion (none were carried on the balloon since it was not meant to be retrieved).

<[VARO1005](#)> **Varona, Bernabé de**

"El Correo en la República de Cuba en Armas (1868-78 y 1895-98)"

"Mails of the Republic Under Arms (1868-78 and 1895-98)"

Co-Author: Fernando J. Iglesias (also listed as <IGLEF1005a>). This article was started by Bernabé de Varona and completed by Fernando Iglesias after Bernabé passed away.

CPa, Vol.21, No.59, May-Aug 2010, front cover & pp.6-15 (11), ill., Eng & Span.

<[VASC0603](#)> **Vasconcellos Portuondo, Daniel**

"El correo en Cuba hasta el Correo Insurrecto"

Habana, Cuba: Federacion Filatélica Cubana, Catálogo Exposición Internacional de Filatelia Habana '06, 25 Mar to 1 Apr 2006, pp.10-12 (3), ill., Span.

<[VASC1402](#)> **Vasconcellos Portuondo, Daniel**

Camagüey en la Filatelia Cubana

(Camagüey in Cuban Philately)

PowerPoint presentation prepared by the author, 46 pp., ill., Span.

Described by the author as a historical-philatelic piece of research that documents historical events or facts pertaining to the province and capital city of Camagüey and some of its distinguished citizens that are commemorated in Cuban philately.

<[VAUGyymm](#)> **Vaughn, Robert E.**

"Checklist of Inverted Center Stamps of the World"

Source unknown, 2 pp., ill.

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A brief checklist that includes all four Cuban inverted centers (Scott 239a, 240a, 244a, and E4a). The stamp denominations and colors are provided along with a rarity code. All except Scott 239a are classified as very scarce (between 100 and 200 copies known) and Scott 239a is classified as rare but more common (over 200 exist).

<[VEGA5309](#)> Vega Caballero, Estanislao

“La sobrecarga o el golpe de la sobrecarga”
 (“The surcharge or the coup of the surcharge”)

MF, Vol.XLVII, WNos.542-543, Nos.9-10, Sep-Oct 1953, p.224, Span.

Reprint of an article by the same name that was published in the Havana daily newspaper Diario de la Marina. No date of publication of the original article is provided.

<[VEGA5505](#)> Vega Caballero, Estanislao

“Se Conmemora Este Año el Centenario del Sello Postal”
 (“The Centenary of the Postal Stamp is Commemorated This Year”)

BOHE, 1 May 1955, p.25, ill., Span.

See <[ASSE5505](#)> for related article and<[MF95505](#)> for reprint and annotations.

One page report of the commemoration of the placement in circulation of the first postal stamp that was issued for use in Cuba and Puerto Rico in 1855 (Scott 1-3; Edifil Ant. 1-3). The article also indicates that it is also the 50th anniversary of the first postal stamp issue placed in circulation by the Cuban Republic in 1905 (Scott 233-237; Edifil 176-179). Both stamp issues are illustrated and discussed in detail.

<[VELA8709](#)> Velasco, Eugenio de

"Correo marítimo ordinario y metódico establecido en el siglo XVIII entre España y las Indias Occidentales"
 ("Regular and methodical maritime mails established in the 18th Century between Spain and the Occidental Indies")
 Madrid, Spain: Revista de Correos, 25 Sep 1887, Yr.22, No.850, p.1042, Span.

Commentary appended to <[FAJA8709](#)> noting some of the deficiencies of the maritime mail service to the Indies and citing “Título XI, Capítulo 2do., Artículo 12 de la Real Ordenanza del Correo Marítimo” (Title XI, Chapter 2, Article 12 of the Royal Maritime Mail Ordinance) of 26 January 1777 that tried to correct some of those deficiencies. The rest of the note consists of philosophical considerations relative to the influence on the development of Spanish America of the Spanish maritime mail service in spite of its shortcomings.

<[VELAS4503](#)> Velasco, Santiago

“Editorial: Motivos”

BFN, Yr.1, No.1, Mar 1945, pp.3-4, Span.

Editorial presenting the rationale for the publication of the new philatelic journal Boletín Filatélico y Numismático de la República de Cuba (BFN), official journal of the “Bolsa Filatélica y Numismática de Cuba” (“Philatelic and Numismatic Bourse of Cuba”).

<[VELE1009](#)> Vélez Blanco, Humberto

“La serie del V Festival del Habano. ¿Un acertijo filatélico? Tipos diferentes, errores, variedades o divertimento...”
 (“Issue of the 5th Habano Cigar Festival. A Philatelic Puzzle? Different types, errors, varieties or divertimento...”)

Co-author: Carlos Echenagusía (Also listed as <[ECHE1009a](#)>)

RF, Yr.XLIV, No.474, Sep 2010, pp.596-600 (5), ill., Span.

<[VELE2304a](#)> Vélez Blanco, Humberto

“Papel Sellado Notarial. Cuba (1759–1885)” (“Cuban Revenue Paper 1759–1885”).

FDCW, CUBAFIL’23 Virtual Exhibition, 22-30 Apr 2023. Ten-frame exhibit (160 pages) also presented at CUBAFIL’22), in Spanish.

Study of the revenue paper issued by Spain for use in Cuba, including provisional issues and overprints made in Havana while waiting for shipments from Spain.

<[VELE2304b](#)> Vélez Blanco, Humberto

“Servicio Telegráfico Oficial. Matanzas—Cuba 1859-1898”

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("Official Telegraphic Service of Matanzas, Cuba, 1859-1898").

FDCW, CUBAFIL'23 Virtual Exhibition, 22-30 Apr 2023. One-frame exhibit that was also presented at CUBAFIL'22, in Spanish.

The exhibit presents and discusses examples of actual official telegrams received in the city of Matanzas during the years 1859 to 1898, focusing on the rates paid by each telegram.

<[VEWA3900](#)> **Vewall, A. J.**

"A check-off list of Cuban First and Special Flights, 1914-1939"

London. Unpublished handwritten list of Cuban First and Special Flights between 1914 and 1939 with the number of covers carried in brackets after each entry. Introductory page plus 8 pages of flight listings followed by a map of the island of Cuba with no flight markings.

<[VF7205](#)> **Valencia Filatélica**

"El histórico vuelo Sevilla-Cuba-México" ("The Historic Flight Seville-Cuba-México")

VF, No.88, May 1972, pp.73-77 (5), ill., Span. Also listed as <GOMI7205>.

<[VF7206](#)> **Valencia Filatélica**

"Primer vuelo Camagüey - Sevilla" ("First Flight Camagüey - Seville")

VF, No.89, Jun-Oct 1972, pp.104-105, ill., Span.

<[VF7307](#)> **Valencia Filatélica**

"Una conmemoración perdida" ("A Lost Commemoration")

VF, No.92, Jul-Aug 1973, p.217, ill., Span.

Brief article on the 50th anniversary of the first flight from Seville, Spain, to Camagüey, Cuba.

<[VIDA5400](#)> **Vidal, F. de P.**

Diccionario Geográfico de España y Sus Colonias

(Geographical Dictionary of Spain and Its Colonies)

Barcelona, Spain: Imprenta Luis Tasso, 1854, 1351 pp., Span.

<[VIDAB0900](#)> **Vidal Borrás, Juan**

Price List: Spain and Colonies, Cuba, Puerto Rico and Philippines

Dated 1909. No other publication information available

<[VILA1506](#)> **Vila Comas, Josep M.**

"El fechador 'Baeza' de Bayamo (Cuba)"

("The 'Baeza' Bayamo Datestamp of Cuba")

Sant Pol de Mar, Cataluña, Spain: Asociación de Coleccionistas e Investigadores Filatélicos (ACIP). Article in the ACIP Website (<http://www.acif.org.es/category/articulos/>) under category "Biblioteca", sub-category "Artículos".

The article discusses the Baeza datestamps from the city of Bayamo in the Oriente province of Cuba. It provides its color varieties and dates of use and illustrates several covers bearing some of the listed varieties.

<[VILA1510](#)> **Vila Comas, Josep María**

"The Bayamo "Baeza" Datestamp–El fechador "Baeza" de Bayamo"

JCP, Vol.6, No.4, Issue No.22, Oct-Dec 2015, pp.18-21 (4), ill., Eng. & Span.

Reprint of <VILA1506> and translation into English.

<[VILL5511](#)> **Villapol, Francisco**

"Las Subastas de Sellos" ("The Stamp Auctions")

AF, "CUPEX" Special Issue, Nov 1955, p.131, Span., ill.

Brief description of the monthly stamp auctions held every year from October to July (inclusive) at the Cuban Philatelic Club in Havana and for which a catalog was prepared and ready 15 days in advance of each auction date.

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<[VILL0912](#)> Villaronga Maicas, Marcos

"Tarjetas postales cubanas, 1896-1905"

("Cuban postal cards, 1896-1905")

RF, Yr.XLIII, No.466, Dec 2009, pp.774-777 (4), ill., Span.

<[VILL1004](#)> Villaronga Maicas, Marcos

"Tarjetas Postales: La Guerra Hispano-Americana. 25 de julio a 10 de diciembre de 1898."

("Postcards: The Spanish-American War. July 25 to December 10, 1898.")

RF, Yr.XLIV, No.470, Apr 2010, front cover plus pp.243-246 (5), ill., Span.

<[VILL1005](#)> Villaronga Maicas, Marcos

La Tarjeta Postal Española, 1892-1905. (Spanish Postal Cards, 1892-1905)

Published serially as separatas inside the Spanish philatelic journal *Revista de Filatelia*. The first installment quoted below contains introductory information to the whole work; the second installment cited is the first part of Chapter XVII which addresses postal cards of Spanish postal dependencies including Cuba. The pages cited are those that might be of interest to the Cuban specialist. Although the postal cards addressed in this work are view cards, not postal stationery cards, they are included as reference material, since many are franked.

RF, Yr.XLIV, No.471, May 2010, pp.between i and xiv (10), Span.

RF, Yr.XLV, No.479, Feb 2011, pp.259-263 (4), ill., Span.

<[VINK9804](#)> Vinkenborg, Hans

"A Visit to the Cuban Postal Museum—Una visita al Museo Postal Cubano"

CPa, Vol.10, No.32, April 1998, pp.83-85 (3), Eng & Span.

Account of a visit to the Cuban Postal Museum in La Habana in February 1998 with detailed listing of the major exhibits on display at the museum. The most interesting part of this piece is that the author indicates that upon questioning the museum's staff about the existence of additional material not on display, he was told that there was none, in spite of the fact that he made them aware that at the international exhibition held in Madrid, Spain, in December of 1997, he had seen material on display that was not currently being exhibited in the museum. The author surmises that the museum staff probably was unaware of the existence of additional material in the museum's holdings.

<[VINK9905](#)> Vinkenborg, Hans

"The Spiro Forgeries of the Antilles and Cuba (1866-1873)"

"Las Falsificaciones de Spiro de las Antillas y Cuba (1866-1873)"

CPa, Vol.11, No.32, Second Third 1999, pp.50-56 (7), ill., Eng & Span.

<[VINK9909](#)> Vinkenborg, Hans

"More Puerto Rican Stamps Used in Cuba"

"Más Sellos de Puerto Rico Usados en Cuba"

CPa, Vol.11, No.33, Last Third 1999, pp.90-92 (3), ill., Eng & Span.

<[VINK0005](#)> Vinkenborg, Hans

"The *Primer Batallón del Regimiento de Infantería Garellano* in Cuba"

"El Primer Batallón del Regimiento de Infantería *Garellano* en Cuba"

CPa, Vol.12, No.35, Second Third 2000, pp.62-64 (3), ill., Eng & Span. The title should have been translated into English as "The First Battalion of the Infantry Regiment *Garellano* in Cuba".

<[VINK0009a](#)> Vinkenborg, Hans

"Los Sellos de Isabel II de 1857: Nuevas Falsificaciones Espectaculares"

("Isabella II Stamps of 1857: Spectacular New Forgeries")

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San Juan, Puerto Rico: Sociedad Filatélica de Puerto Rico (Philatelic Society of Puerto Rico), PURIPEX 2000 Exhibition catalog, 4-10 Sep 2000, pp.34-40 (7), ill. Eng. For clearer pictures of the stamps and a Spanish translation see <VINK0009b>.

Presentation and illustration of several previously unreported forgeries of the Isabella II stamps of 1857.

<[VINK0009b](#)> **Vinkenborg, Hans**

"Isabella II Stamps of 1857: Spectacular New Forgeries"

"Los Sellos de Isabel II de 1857: Nuevas Falsificaciones Espectaculares"

CPa, Vol.12, No.36, Last Third 2000, pp.102-105 (4), ill., Eng & Span.

Reprint and Spanish translation of <VINK0009a>.

<[VINK1701](#)> **Vinkenborg, Hans**

"Response to Cover Number 1-16"

"Respuesta a la Carta Número 1-16"

CPa, Vol.27, No.79, Jan-Apr 2017, p.21, ill., Eng. & Span.

Reply to <IGLEF1609b> indicating that the author also has a cover from Havana to Barcelona with a horizontal pair of 1891 5c. de Peso emerald Cuba Scott 145 stamps. In the Spanish version of the article it says that the letter was written on 28-2-91, mailed from Havana on 1-2-91, and received in Barcelona on 17-3-91. In the English version the date of mailing is corrected to 1-3-91, but the Spanish scheme of stating dates is maintained, which is confusing to the English reader. Finally, the piece ends with the indication to refer to the "scans", but only one image of Mr. Vinkenborg's cover is shown.

<[VINK1710](#)> **Vinkenborg, Hans**

"Isabela II Stamps of 1857: An Overview of Postal and Philatelic Forgeries"

"Los sellos de Isabel II de 1857: Resumen de los Falsos Postales y Filatélicos"

JCP, Vol.8, No.4, Issue 30, Oct-Dec 2017, pp.1, 3-13 (12), ill, Eng & Span.

Overview of the postal and philatelic forgeries of the 1857 Isabela II stamps of Cuba and presentation, description, and illustration of several additional forgeries of the issue discovered by the author in his quest for his collection of Cuban forgeries of the Spanish colonial issues.

<[VINK1904](#)> **Vinkenborg, Hans**

"The 1861-62 Prim Expedition to México."

"La Expedición de Prim a México de 1861-62."

Co-author: Ernesto Cuesta (also listed as <CUES1904a>).

JCP, Vol.10, No.2, Issue 36, Apr-Jun 2019, pp.1, 3-11 (10), ill, Eng & Span.

Historical overview of the 1861-62 Spanish expedition to México led by Spanish General Prim that led to the occupation of the port city of Veracruz for about four months from December 1861 to early 1862. The Prim expedition was launched from Cuba and stamps then in use in Cuba (Scott 12 & 13) were both carried privately by the soldiers and officially by the expeditionary forces for use in the correspondence of the soldiers. The Spanish troops occupied the Veracruz post office from where mail from the soldiers was routed to their destinations in Spain, France, and México. The article focuses on the postal rates that applied to the various known destinations, the various types of cancellations and other postal markings used, and shows images of most of the known covers, fragments, and pieces with significant examples of the cancellations that were used. See <VINK1904> = <CUES1904a> for a follow-up article showing an additional cover from the Prim Expedition to México, together with an analysis of the markings on the cover.

<[VINK1907](#)> **Vinkenborg, Hans**

"Another Cover from the 1861-62 Prim Expedition to México."

"Otro sobre de la Expedición de Prim a México de 1861-62."

Co-author: Ernesto Cuesta (also listed as <CUES1907a>).

JCP, Vol.10, No.3, Issue 37, Jul-Sep 2019, p.7, ill, Eng & Span. Follow-up to <VINK1904> = <CUES1904a>.

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News of the existence of another cover from the Prim Expedition to México from the digital archive of images of ICPS member Frits van Beekum of the Netherlands. An analysis of the markings on the cover is provided in the article courtesy of Dr. Yamil H. Kourí.

<[VINK2004](#)> Vinkenborg, Hans

"New discovery: 1870 Spanish Antilles 10 Cs. Blue."

"Nuevo descubrimiento: Antillas Españolas 10 Cs. de 1870 en azul."

JCP, Vol.11, No.2, Issue No.40, Apr-Jun 2020, p.13, ill., Eng. & Span.

Report of the discovery of a used Cuba Scott No. 47 in the blue color of Scott No.46. See <[CABR2004](#)> and <[AREA2004](#)> for follow-up comments about the discovery.

<[VINK2101](#)> Vinkenborg, Hans

"Unpublished emails with feedback on <[LANG2010](#)>"

Emails dated January 24 and 26 stating that some statements by Gerhard Lang-Valchs attributing various Spiro forgeries to Plácido Ramón de Torres in <[LANG2010](#)> are insufficiently supported by verifiable facts. Hans cites recent articles in The London Philatelist of May and July/August 2020 contesting similar attributions of forgeries to Torres in other articles published by Gerhard in other journals.

<[VIÑA8100](#)> Viñas, Ricardo (et al)

Catálogo de Entero-Postales de España y sus Dependencias Postales

(Postal Stationery Catalog of Spain and Its Postal Dependencies)

Co-authors: Francisco Graus Fontova, José María Sempere Luque, and José Soler Antich (also listed under <[GRAU8100](#)>, <[SEMP8100](#)>, and <[SOLE8100](#)>). Annotation under <[GRAU8100](#)>.

Barcelona, Spain: Imprenta Selegram, 1981, 184 pp., ill, Span. Cuba on pp.154-160 (7).

<[VIVE189700](#)> Vives Ginard, Antonio

Catálogo precio-corriente de los sellos de correo y telégrafo de España y sus colonias.

(Catalog of current prices of the postage and telegraph stamps of Spain and its colonies.)

Madrid, Spain: 1897, 158 pp., in Spanish. Available in the Crawford Library Philatelic Library at the British Library. Mis.St. Pamph. 82 (3). See <[CUES1612](#)>.

<[VIVE190000](#)> Vives Ginard, Antonio

Precios corrientes para el año 1900 de la casa Antonio Vives Ginard. Comprende todos los sellos de correo y de telegrafo emitidos para Espana y Fernando Póo y los emitidos para Cuba, Puerto Rico y Filipinas siendo posesiones Españolas. (Current prices for the year 1900 of the store of Antonio Vives Ginard. Comprises all postage and telegraph stamps issued for Spain and Fernando Póo and those issued for Cuba, Puerto Rico, and the Philippines while being Spanish possessions.)

Madrid, Spain: The author, 1900, 64 pp., in Spanish.

Available in the Crawford Library Philatelic Library within the British Library.

British Library shelfmark: Crawford 793 (4). See <[CUES1612](#)>.

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<[VOLU89906](#)> "Volunteer" (pseudonym)

"Topics About Town"

WPE, Vol.13, No.38, WNo.318, 17 June 1899, p.337.

Report that a speculator is buying quantities of the 2½c and 3c values of the provisional surcharged stamps for Cuba (Scott 223, 223A, and 224).

<[VOLU89909](#)> "Volunteer" (pseudonym)

"Topics About Town"

WPE, Vol.13, No.52, WNo.332, 23 September 1899, p.461.

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Report of the receipt by a U.S. collector of a cover from Cuba bearing three U.S. surcharged 2c on 2c (Scott 222), one of them bisected for use as 1c for a total of 5c postage.

<VOLU90005> "Volunteer" (pseudonym)

"Topics About Town"

WPE, Vol.14, No.35, WNo.367, 26 May 1900, pp.296-297;

WPE, Vol.14, No.36, WNo.368, 2 Jun 1900, p.308;

WPE, Vol.14, No.44, WNo.376, 28 Jul 1900, p.359.

Various notes about the U.S. Postal Administration scandal in Cuba—the Neely affair.

von Haake, A.--listed under Haake, A. von

<VOTA3103> Votaw, Roy C.

"Personal Correspondence from Mr. Votaw to Mr. Wm. Bruce Bryant"

Unpublished 23 letters comprising 48 pages covering the period 29 March 1931 to 3 August 1933 with numerous references to Cuban aerophilately. Most of the letters are on stationery from the "Colegio *Los Amigos*" in the city of Holguín, Cuba, where Mr. Votaw was the superintendent until at least 13 April 1932. By the next letter of 30 August 1932, Mr. Votaw was writing from Whittier, California. The last letter of 3 August 1933 is from Camp Arbolado, Angelus, California.

<VOTA3103a> Votaw, Roy C.

First letter listed in <VOTA3103> which is cited in <TYX1910> because it makes reference to a Bob Buck cover and provides some background information on the flight that carried it on the return trip from Havana to Newark, NJ. The reference to the Bob Buck cover appears on the second page of the three page letter.

<VOTA3300> Votaw, Roy C.

"Cuba section in The Standard Airpost Catalog"

Wooster, Ohio: The Berkshire Exchange, 1933 Edition, ill. Edited by Donald E. Dickason; also listed as <DICK3300>. 1930, 1931, and 1934 editions are also reported to exist.

Cuba section prepared by Roy C. Votaw on pp.304-309 (6).

Catalog listing of inaugural or historical flights national and international flights with some cachets and cancellations illustrated and prices for commemorative covers provided. The catalog is well prepared and very worth consulting; unfortunately, being a 1933 work it only contains listings of flights up to 1932.

<VOTA3409> Votaw, Roy C.

"The Cuban Gobierno Revolucionario Issue"

WPG, Vol.19, No.27, WNo.672, 22 September 1934, p.855.

<VOTA3510> Votaw, Roy C.

"New Cuban Commemorative Series"

APJ, Vol.2, No.1, Issue 66, Oct 1935, p.9.

Report and some background information on the new commemorative stamps to be issued in honor of the establishment of the Free Zone in Matanzas, Cuba (Scott 324-331, C18-C21, CE1, E8).

<VOTA3511a> Votaw, Roy C.

"Pioneer Pilot of Cuba: Agustín Parlá"

APJ, Vol.7, No.2, Issue 67, Nov 1935, pp.3-4.

<VOTA3511b> Votaw, Roy C.

"Cuban Historical Souvenirs"

APJ, Vol.7, No.2, Issue 67, Nov 1935, p.9

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<[VOTA3511c](#)> **Votaw, Roy C.**

"The Fun of Collecting Cuban Air Mail Covers"
APJ, Vol.7, No.2, Issue 67, Nov 1935, pp.10-11.
Wealth of information on air mail flights.

<[VOTA3511d](#)> **Votaw, Roy C.**

"The Akron and the Macon Visit Cuba"
APJ, Vol.7, No.2, Issue 67, Nov 1935, p.15, ill.

Details of the visit of the Akron airship (zeppelin) to Guantánamo, Cuba, in January 8-9, 1933. The article also documents the visit of the Macon airship to Matanzas, Cuba, on May 7, 1935. Numbers of commemorative covers of these visits that were prepared and flown on the airships are indicated and a couple of cachets from the Akron are illustrated (see <[FINN2404](#)>).

<[VOTA9004](#)> **Votaw, Roy C.**

"The Fun of Collecting Cuban Air Mail Covers"
Via Air Mail, Vol.III, No.4, Apr 1990, pp.6-7, ill. (photo of Mr. Votaw). Reprint of <[VOTA3511c](#)>.

<VP> The Virginia Philatelist

Official organ of the Virginia Philatelic Association. Published monthly by the Virginia Philatelic Publishing Co. of Richmond, Va. Aug. Dietz, Editor. Vol.1, No.1 is dated Sep 1897; don't know when it ceased publication. The journal contains frequent references to Cuban philately; however, most of it is trivia and is not listed in this bibliography.

<[VP89709](#)> The Virginia Philatelist

"Notes" VP, Vol.1, No.1, Sep 1897, p.4.
Short note complaining of the flooding of the stamp market with Cuban stamps by the Spanish Government. Suggests saving these stamps on the entire cover instead of buying unused samples.

<[VP89901](#)> The Virginia Philatelist

"Notes: American Stamps for Cuba. A Limited Number to be Marked 'CUBA,' with Value in Spanish Currency."
VP, Vol.2, No.5, Jan 1899, p.98.
Report of the surcharging of U.S. stamps for temporary use in Cuba by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing in Washington, D.C., and report of the start of operations of military post offices in the provinces of Havana and Pinar del Río.

<[VP89902](#)> The Virginia Philatelist

"Notes: American Stamps for Cuba. A Limited Number to be Marked 'CUBA,' with Value in Spanish Currency."
VP, Vol.2, No.6, Feb 1899, p.126.
Report that the U.S. Post Office Department is surcharging 1c and 2c postcards for use in Cuba. Also report of quantities of each denomination of U.S. stamps surcharged for use in Cuba sent on three shipments. Finally, the observation that most of these surcharged stamps will not be rare due to numbers produced except for perhaps the 10c value of which fewer numbers were produced.

<[VP89905](#)> The Virginia Philatelist

"More Postal Issues for Cuba"
VP, Vol.2, No.9, May 1899, p.190.
Report of the surcharging of U.S. Special Delivery stamps for temporary use in Cuba (Scott E1) and of the forthcoming issue of 2c and 5c size 5 envelopes with the head of Columbus for design.

<[VP89906](#)> The Virginia Philatelist

"Notes: New Stamps and Envelopes for Cuba."
VP, Vol.2, No.10, Jun 1899, p.208.

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Description of the 2c and 5c envelopes with the head of Columbus for design in red and blue, respectively; of a 1c wrapper of the same design in green; of the new set of Cuban stamps of 1c, 3c, 5c, and 10c denominations (Scott 227,229-231; note the 2c value is not mentioned); and of a Special Delivery stamp (Scott E2).

<[VP89907](#)> The Virginia Philatelist

"Colonial Stamp News: CUBA."

VP, Vol.2, No.11, Jul 1899, p.232.

Reprint of material from "Washington Notes" provided to MP and WPE by Bartels; specifically <[BART89906a](#)> and <[BART89906c](#)> which is the same as <[WPE9906b](#)>.

<[VP89908](#)> The Virginia Philatelist

"Cuban Matters. The New Cubans"

VP, Vol.2, No.12, Aug 1899, p.252.

Report that the new set of Cuban stamps will be sent to Cuba around July 1. Listing of U.S. envelopes that have been surcharged for use in Cuba by denomination and quantities produced. Listing of new envelopes and wrappers being produced for shipment to Cuba in size No.5, by denomination and quantities produced, half in white and half in amber, except the wrappers that are all in manila colored stock.

<[VP89909a](#)> The Virginia Philatelist

"New Envelopes Surcharged for Cuba"

VP, Vol.3, No.1, Sep 1899, p.14.

Report of having seen several new U.S. envelopes surcharged for use in Cuba: 2c red on blue, 2c red on amber, and 2c on oriental buff, all size 5, being offered by several dealers at 75c the set of three.

<[VP89909b](#)> The Virginia Philatelist

"Review by John Paalzow"

VP, Vol.3, No.1, Sep 1899, p.16.

Reference to report in Aug 12 WPE that a batch of envelopes has been surcharged for use in Cuba without authorization of the Post Office Department, likely to be a money-making scheme by someone in the P.O. in Havana. Report that as of Aug 10, the new stamps for Cuba had not printed due to a lack of paper. Report of the denominations and quantities of U.S. postage due stamps that had been surcharged for use in Cuba (see <[MP89908d](#)>).

<[VP89910](#)> The Virginia Philatelist

"List of U.S. Envelopes and Due Stamps Surcharged for Cuba"

VP, Vol.3, No.2, Oct 1899, p.27.

The interesting thing about this list is that it includes surcharged envelopes that may have been ordered through the Treasury Department but that were never regularly issued—most notable among them is a 4c brown on white size 7 envelope, but there are others in the list (compare with the list of not regularly issued envelopes at the bottom of p. 48 of <[UPSS7100](#)>).

<[VP90001](#)> The Virginia Philatelist

"Notes" VP, Vol.3, No.5, Jan 1900, p.95.

Report that all of the U.S. stamps surcharged for use in Cuba have been called in and destroyed, and forecasting that demand for them will thus increase considerably.

<[VP90002](#)> The Virginia Philatelist

"Higher Values for Cuba"

VP, Vol.3, No.6, Feb 1900, p.111.

Report from MP that the Director General of Posts for Cuba, Mr. Rathbone, has requested that stamps in denominations of 15 and 50 cents be produced for use in Cuba. There is no justification for the use of such denominations and no such stamps were ever produced in this period.

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<[VP90202](#)> The Virginia Philatelist

"Chronicle of New Issues—Cuba"

VP, Vol.5, No.2, Feb 1902, p.26.

Report from AJP that the surcharged 2c carmine stamp, 1899 issue, exists with an inverted surcharge. It does indeed exist and it is currently listed as Scott 222Ad.

<[VP90210](#)> The Virginia Philatelist

"Chronicle of New Issues—Cuba"

VP, Vol.5, No.8, Nov 1902, p.92.

Report that the 3c Cuban stamp of 1899 (Scott 229) has been surcharged "Habilitado 1 un centavo October, 1902" (Scott 232) without any mention that this was the first official stamp issue of the new Cuban Republic. Also note that the surcharge is all in Spanish and reads "Octubre 1902".

<[VP90301](#)> The Virginia Philatelist

"Cuban Provisional, 1c on 3c—1902"

VP, Vol.5, No.10, Jan-Feb 1903, p.108.

Report of reaction from the Cuban postal authorities of an extract from MP published in SGMJ alleging that the new provisional stamp recently issued in Cuba (Scott 232) was conceived with speculative intentions and report of subsequent efforts by the Cuban Postmaster General and the Cuban Philatelic Society to dispel such rumors by justifying the need for the provisional stamp issue.