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<VALD8204>* **Valdés, Alfredo E.**

"Ultramar Handstamp"

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

<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.

<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.

<[VALDE0100](#)> **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.

<[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.

<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.

<VAND7200> **Van Dam, Theo**

"A Postal History of Spain"

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

<VANDB4301>* **Van den Berg, George**

"Philatelic Notes" S, Vol.42, No.4, WNo.541, 23 Jan 1943, p.129

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 <VANDGH8404>.

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")

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

Improperly retitled reprint of <VANDGH4408>. 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.

<[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.76-78, 99.

The references on pages 76-78 deal with a discussion of two combination covers bearing Cuban and U.S. stamps cancelled by 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**

"Ultimas 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).

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<[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.
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).

<[VAZQ9802](#)>* **Vazques Castillo, Ernesto**
Cuba 1998. Plan de Emisiones de Cuba para el 1998. Cuban Stamp Program for 1998.
WWW page at <http://www.geocities.com/Eureka/Park/4600/cuba98.html>; 1 p., Span.
Page maintained together with Alfred Brito. For annotation see <[BRITO9802](#)>.

<[VAUGyymm](#)># **Vaughn, Robert E.**
"Checklist of Inverted Center Stamps of the World"
Source unknown, 2 pp., ill.
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).

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<VEGA5309> Vega, Estanislao

“La sobrecarga o el golpe de la sobrecarga”

(“The surcharge or the coup of the surcharge”)

ME, 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.

<VELA8709> Velasco, Eugenio de

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”).

<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

<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.

<VINK9905> Vinkenborg, Hans

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

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

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

<VINK9909> Vinkenburg, 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> Vinkenburg, 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".

<VINK0009> Vinkenburg, 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.

<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).

The Virginia Philatelist--Listed under VP

<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.

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

<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.

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Cuba section prepared by Roy C. Votaw on pp.304-309 (6); Lindbergh's "Southern Tour" which stopped in Cuba on pp.218-220; Veracruz, México, first flights in 1931 on p.329.

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

<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. Very good.

<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.

<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.

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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.

<VP89903># The Virginia Philatelist

"Attention Members of the V. P. A."

VP, Vol.2, No.7, Mar 1899, p.145.

Offer to pay \$25 for a copy of a Cuban surcharged stamp of the type illustrated in The Herald Exchange. No publication date of issue of The Herald Exchange being referenced is provided and we don't know which type of surcharged stamp is being noted here.

<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.

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. Report that the latest issue of the MP shows illustrations of the new Cuban stamps (need to locate the referenced issue of MP).

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<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.

<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.

<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

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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.