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CATALOG AND ALBUM

OF

STAMPS OF THE PHILIPPINES ISSUED UNDER
THE JAPANESE OCCUPATION

WITH

VITAL STATISTICS OF EVERY ISSUE

Emergency, Commemoratives, Regular, Semi-Postals,
Souvenir Sheets, Postage Dues, Officials, Postcards,
Envelopes, First Day Covers

and

Supplementary List of Philippine Victory Issue and
'War Issues of Neighboring Countries

AFRAN STAMP COMPANY

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This Catalog supersedes our 1945 First Edition of "Price List of Stamps of the Philippines Issued under the Japanese Occupation".

SPECIAL NOTICES

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Manila, the Capital of the Philippines, where about 90% of the collectors and almost all the dealers were located, was razed to the ground by combat action, and accordingly only from 20% to 30% of Philippine stamps issued before and during the war could be saved. In the case of pre-war stamps a large portion had been previously exported to the United States, Europe, and other countries. Besides Philippine pre-war stamps had been sold in Washington, D. C. by the Philippine Resident Commissioner. In case of the Occupation stamps the only country where same could have been exported was Japan and at that most were lost on the way by perils of war. This explains the present scarcity of Philippine stamps issued under the Japanese Occupation.

In this Catalog we present all the groups of Philippine stamps issued under the Japanese Occupation; the several sets of recent VICTORY printed overprint; and various groups of war stamps issued by some of the neighboring countries.

The prices appearing in this Catalog were determined by data obtained from postal authorities up to December, 1944, as to the actual quantities printed of each issue; and from information and investigation obtained from reliable dealers and large collectors as to the approximate quantities of stock available on hand after taking inventory of the losses sustained by causes of war. But above all CONDITION of the stamp has been the one large factor in determining our prices.

In order to facilitate identification and provide continuity we have adopted the style of listing of the universally known Scott Catalog. For example:

463 A75 2c apple green .10 .08 3,000,000

The number (463) in the first column is the Scott Catalog number as it might be in the Scott Catalog; the letter and number (A75) indicates the design and refers to the illustration in Scott Catalog having this designation; next comes the denomination (2c) followed by the color (apple green); the prices are in two columns at the right, the first (.10) being that of a mint copy and the last (.08) of a used one. The figure in the extreme right column (3,000,000) refers to the number of copies of this stamp actually issued.

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1942-1943. Emergency Issue.

Regular Issue of 1939-41 Overprinted and/or Surcharged.

2c Apple Green.	Electric Eye Marking
A75	463

5 con 6c Dark Brown	(Shade)	Error
A55	464	464a
		464b

463	A75	2c apple green (March 4, 1942)	.10	.08	3,000,000
		Electric Eye Marking	.30	.30	
464	A55	5c on 6c dark brown (Sept. 1, 1942)	.50	.15	1,000,000
		a. 5c on 6c light brown	.50	.15	
		b. A dot inside the numeral 5	1.50	1.50	
465	A58	12c black (April 30, 1943)	.50	.40	200,000
466	A59	16c dark blue (March 4, 1942)	2.00	2.00	160,000
467	A62	16c on 30c orange red (Jan. 11, 1943)	.50	.50	310,000
468	A63	50c on 1p orange and black (April 30, 1943)	2.50	2.50	165,000
469	A65	1p on 4p blue and black (April 30, 1943)	-----	-----	19,975

VITAL STATISTICS. When the Manila Postoffice, the first to reopen under the Japanese Occupation, resumed postal activities on March 4, 1942 all existing stamps were made invalid for postal use and an emergency set of 2 values—the 2c for ordinary mail and the 16c for registration—had to be issued. These emergency stamps were made out from the then existing stocks by overprinting same with a black bar across the phrases "United States of America" and "Commonwealth"—the intention was to delete said phrases. The other values which were issued from time to time, besides the deletion, had to be surcharged with different values to conform with new postal rates and exigencies.

12 c black	16 c dark blue	16c on 30c orange red
A 58	465 A 59	466 A 62 467

50c on 1p orange and black
A 63 468

The existence of No. 469, 1p on 4p, for postal purposes is dubious. We consider same as a speculative issue for the following reasons. When the Bureau of Posts issued on April 30, 1943 this stamp together with the 12c and the 50c on 1p there was no emergency need for such high value. It was proper for the 12c to come at that time in order to conform with new registration rate which was reduced from 16c to 12c. Also, the postal authorities announced that great quantities of the 12c, 50c, and 1p would be available because besides the initial printing of 200,000 copies of the 12c; 40,000 copies of the 50c on 1p; and 20,000 copies (1 sheet, of 25 stamps destroyed in printing) of the 1p on 4p, additional printings would certainly be made. Such being the case the sale was unrestricted with the results that only one or two speculators were able to buy 90% of the entire first printing. Reminded of their promise of additional printings the postal authorities ordered the reprint of 125,000 copies of the 50c on 1p which was placed on sale on September 7, 1944, but was unable to make additional printing of the 1p on 4p as there were none of this value available for surcharging. This anomaly caused an administrative investigation which remained pending until the arrival of the Americans. There is hardly any difference between the first and second printing of the 50c on 1p.

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1942. Fall of Bataan and Corregidor Issue.
Regular Issue of 1935 Surcharged in Black.

2c on 4c Yellow Green	
A54	470

470 A54 2c on 4c yellow green 2.00 2.00 100,000

VITAL STATISTICS. Notwithstanding the Fall of Manila, armed resistance of the American and Filipino Forces under Gen. McArthur continued in Bataan and Corregidor until May 7, 1942. To commemorate the capture of these bases by the Japanese, a set of one value, surcharged 2c on 4c "Congratulations Fall of Bataan & Corregidor, 1942" was issued on May 18, 1942. Locally surcharged.

1942. War Anniversary Issue.
Regular Issue of 1935 Surcharged in Black.

5c on 4c Yellow Green		5c on 4c Light Yellow Green	Error
A54	471	471a	471b

471 A64 5c on 4c yellow green .95 .80 400,000
 a, light yellow green .95 .80
 b, broken "T" error 2.00 2.00
 First Day Cover .95

VITAL STATISTICS. To commemorate the first anniversary of Japan's war against the United States and Great Britain, a set of one value was issued simultaneously on December 8, 1942 at Manila, Iloilo, Davao, Legaspi and Baguio with appropriate first day cachet. The allotment of 50,000 copies intended for Davao was sunk on the way by combat action. This issue consists of the 4c (Scott 384) surcharged in Japanese meaning "First Anniversary of Greater East Asia War, 5c on 4c". This is one of the rarest and unique commemoratives issued during the war. Locally surcharged.

1943. Philippine Executive Commission Issue.
Regular Air Post Stamps of 1941 Surcharged in Black.

	2c on 8c Carmine		5c on 1p Sepia	
AP1		472	AP1	473

472 AP1 2c on 8c carmine .15 .15 400,000
 473 AP1 5c on 1p sepia .60 .60 400,000
 472-473. Set of 2 values .70 .70
 First Day Cover .75

VITAL STATISTICS. On January 23, 1942, the Japanese High Command established the Philippine Executive Commission to administer the civil government of the Philippines. Mr. Jorge Vargas—later Philippine Ambassador to Japan—was the chairman. To commemorate the first anniversary of the creation of this Executive Commission, a set of 2 values was issued on January 23, 1943, with appropriate first day cachet. The set consists of 2c on 8c and 5c on 1p surcharged in Japanese meaning "First Anniversary of the Philippine Executive Commission—1-23-43".

1943-44. Regular Issue,
Stamps with New Designs. Printed in Japan.
Perf. 13. Wmkd. Wavy Line (Scott 141).

1c Orange	2c Emerald	2c Emerald	4c Green	6c Carmine
A77 474	A78 475	475a	A77 476	A78 478
	5c Brown	10c Turquoise	21c Blue Violet	
	A79 477	A79 479	A79 483	

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12c ultramarine		16c sepia		20c magenta		25c purple		25c purple	
A80	480	A80	481	A77	482	A78	484	ERROR	
A80	486	1p brown lake				5p olive green		A80	487

474	A77	1c orange (June 7, 1943)	.01	.01	1,25	000
475	A78	2c emerald (April 1, 1943)	.01	.01	10,40	000
		a. broken arm	.25	.25		
476	A77	4c green (June 7, 1943)	.02	.02	1,300	000
477	A79	5c brown (April 1, 1943)	.02	.02	45,00	000
478	A78	6c carmine (July 14, 1943)	.15	.15	52	000
479	A79	10c turquoise (July 14, 1943)	.05	.05	1,95	000
480	A80	12c ultramarine (July 14, 1943)	.20	.20	30	000
481	A80	16c sepia (July 14, 1943)	.05	.08	1,300	000
482	A77	20c magenta (Aug. 16, 1943)	.35	.35	300	000
483	A79	21c blue violet (Aug. 16, 1943)	.40	.40	400	000
484	A78	25c purple (Aug. 16, 1943)	.05	.13	1,890	000
		a. broken arm	.50	.50		
474—484.		Set of 11 values	1.00	1,10		
485	A79	1p brown lake (June 7, 1943)	1.00	1 00	260	000
486	A80	2p lilac (Sept. 16, 1943)	1.75	1.75	100	000
487	A80	5p olive green (April 10, 1943)	3.00	3 00	100	000
485—487.		Set of 3 values	5.50	5.50		

VITAL STATISTICS. Because of expanded mail service and other postal exigencies new and higher values were required and accordingly a regular issue of 14 values was ordered printed in Japan. The set was released gradually. The 2c and 5c were the first placed on sale (April 1, 1943), and the 5p was the last (April 10, 1944). The first printing of the 2p was only 40,000 and this was sold out in the first day. There were speculators and to calm public protests a second printing of 60,000 was ordered and sold on April 10, 1944. There is hardly any distinction between the first and second printing.

When the Americans entered Manila on February 3, 1945, the only reminders in the Bureau of Posts consisted mainly of the 2c, 5c, 10c, 16c, and 25c of this Issue. These together with an estimated \$3,000,000 face value of pre-war stamps were looted from the vault of the Postoffice Building, and later peddled around the City for cigarettes. Used copies are harder to get than mint.

AFRAN STAMP COMPANY, Manila, Philippines

1943. Anniversary Fall of Bataan & Corregidor.
Stamps with New Design. Printed in Japan,

2c Carmine		5c Green		5c A dot after Numeral	
A81	488	A81	489	A81	489a

488	A81	2c carmine	.20	.20	1,000,500
489	A81	5c green	.35	.35	980,409
		a. A dot after numeral	1.00	1.00	20,010
488-489.		Set of 2 values	.50	.50	
		First Day Cover		.60	

VIT L STATISTICS. To commemorate the first anniversary of the fall of Bataan and Corregidor a set of 2 values was issued on May 7, 1943 with appropriate first day cachet. The stamps were printed in Japan, perforation 13, unwatermarked. This is the most beautiful pictorial set issued during the war. An error consisting of a dot after the numeral 5 at the left side occurs in one stamp out of every sheet of 50.

1943. Printing Press Anniversary Issue.

Regular Issue of 1939 Surcharged in Black.

12c on 20c Light Olive Green		12c on 20c Light Olive Bistre	
A60	490		490a

49)	A60	12c on 20c light olive green	.70	.60	350,000
		a. light olive bistre	.70	.60	
		First Day Cover		.95	

VITAL STATISTICS. To commemorate the 350th anniversary of the Printing Press in the Philippines a set of one value was issued on June 20, 1943 with an appropriate first day cachet. The set consists of the obsolete 20c (Scott 440) surcharged 12c and the phrase "LIMBAGAN 1593-1943". *Limbagan* is the local dialect meaning printing press. Locally surcharged. Entire issue was sold out in the first day of sale.

AFRAN STAMP COMPANY, Manila, Philippines

1943. Philippine Republic Issue.
 Stamps with New Design. Printed in Manila.

Perf. 11 3/4. Unwmkd.

Imperf. Without Gum. Unwmkd.

5c Light Blue	5c Light Blue (pair)
A82 491	A82 494
12c Orange	12c Orange (pair)
A82 492	A82 495
17c Carmine	17c Carmine (pair)
A82 493	A82 496

491	A82	5c light blue	.10	.10	750,000
492	A82	12c orange	.15	.15	600,000
493	A82	17c carmine	.25	.25	500,000
491-493.		Set of 3 values	.45	.45	
		First Day Cover		.50	
494	A82	5c light blue, <i>single</i>	.07	.05	750,000
		<i>pair</i>	.14	.10	
495	A82	12c orange, <i>single</i>	.12	.10	600,000
		<i>pair</i>	.24	.20	
496	A82	17c carmine, <i>single</i>	.18	.18	500,000
		<i>pair</i>	.36	.36	
494-496.		Set of 3 values <i>single</i>	.35	.30	
		<i>pair</i>	.70	.60	
		First Day Cover, <i>single</i>		.80	
		<i>pair</i>		1.00	

VITAL STATISTICS. To commemorate Philippine Independence and Inauguration of the Republic, 2 sets, one perforated with gum and the other imperforated without gum, were issued on October 14, 1943. 50 stamps per sheet. The sets were intended to be issued simultaneously in all provincial capital of the Philippines with corresponding postmarks and cachets. Many provincial covers were lost on the way by combat action.

1944. National Heroes Issue.

Stamps with New Design. Printed in Manila.

Perf. 12. Unwmkd. (February 17, 1944.)

5c Blue		12c Carmine		17c Orange	
A83	497	A84	498	A85	499

497	A83	5c blue	.40	.40	200,000
498	A84	12c carmine	.12	.12	1,000,000
499	A85	17c orange	.15	.15	1,000,000
497-499.	Set of 3 values		.65	.65	
	First Day Cover		90		

Imperf. Uwmkd. (April 17, 1944)

5c Blue (pair)		12c Carmine (pair)	
A83	500	A84	501
17c Orange (pair)			
A85	502		

500	A83	5c blue, <i>single</i>	.50	.50	100,000
		<i>pair</i>	1.00	1.00	
501	A84	12c carmine, <i>single</i>	.40	.40	500,000
		<i>pair</i>	.80	.80	
502	A85	17c orange, <i>single</i>	.40	.40	500,000
		<i>pair</i>	.80	.80	
500-502.	Set of 3 values, <i>single</i>		1.20	1.20	
	<i>pair</i>		2.40	2.40	

VITAL STATISTICS. In honor of the three foremost Filipino National Heroes two sets, one perforated and the other imperforates, were issued. The perforates were released on February 17, 1944 with appropriate first day cachet; the imperforates on April 17, 1944. The 5c value of both sets were issued in very limited quantities as there were many remainders of 5c of previous issues. Each of the three values in a set is depicted by the three heroes: Dr. Jose Rizal (5c); Father Jose Burgos (12c); and Apolinario Mabine (17c). Issued in sheets of 100 stamps.

1944. Anniversary Fall of Bataan & Corregidor.
Regular Air Post Stamps of 1941 Surcharged.

5c on 20c Ultramarine		12c on 60c Blue Green	
AP1	503	AP	1504

503	AP1	5c on 20c ultramarine	.50	.50	300,000
504	AP1	12c on 60c blue green	1.75	1.75	285,000
503-504.		Set of 2 values	2.00	2.00	
		First Day Cover		2.50	

VITAL STATISTICS. To commemorate the second anniversary of the fall of Bataan and Corregidor, a set of 2 values was issued on May 7, 1944 with appropriate first day cachet. The set consists of the obsolete 2c air mail (Scott C10) and 60c (Scott C11) surcharged respectively 5c, and 12c and the phrase: "REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS" 5-7 41" (Republic of the Philippines). Locally surcharged.

1944. Republic Anniversary Issue.
Stamps with New Design. Printed in Manila.
Imperf Unwmkd Without Gum.

5c Brown		7c Blue Green	
(pair)		(pair)	
A86	505	A86	506

20c Light Blue	
(pair)	
A86	507

505	A86	5c brown, <i>single</i>	.06	.05	850,000
		<i>pair</i>	.12	.10	
506	A86	7c blue green, <i>single</i>	.17	.15	375,000
		<i>pair</i>	.34	.30	
507	A86	20c light blue, <i>single</i>	.25	.25	270,000
		<i>pair</i>	.50	.50	
505-507.		Set of 3 values, <i>single</i>	.45	.40	
		<i>pair</i>	.90	.80	
		First Day Cover, <i>single</i>		.75	

VITAL STATISTICS. To commemorate the first anniversary of the Republic of the Philippines, a set of 3 values, imperforates, without gum, was to be issued on October 14, 1944. Because of continuous air raid which paralyzed Manila industrially the stamps could not be issued on time. However, covers were postmarked and received cachet treatment as of October 14, 1944. Printed in Manila. 50 stamps in a sheet. The central design depicts in all the values the portrait of Dr. Jose Laurel, the President of the puppet Republic. This is the last stamp issued before the Liberation.

2c + 1c Purple		5c + 1c Green		16c + 2c Orange	
SP1	B1	SP1	B2	SP1	B3
5c + 1c Green ERROR			5c + 1c Green ERROR		
B2a			B2b		

B1	SP1	2c + 1c purple	.25	.25	200,000
B2	SP1	5c + 1c green	.25	.25	392,000
		a. Broken "O" error	1.50	1.50	4,000
		b. Slanting frame	1.50	1.50	
B3	SP1	16c + 2c orange	2.75	2.75	
B1-B3.		Set of 3 values	3.00	3.00	
		First Day Cover		3.50	

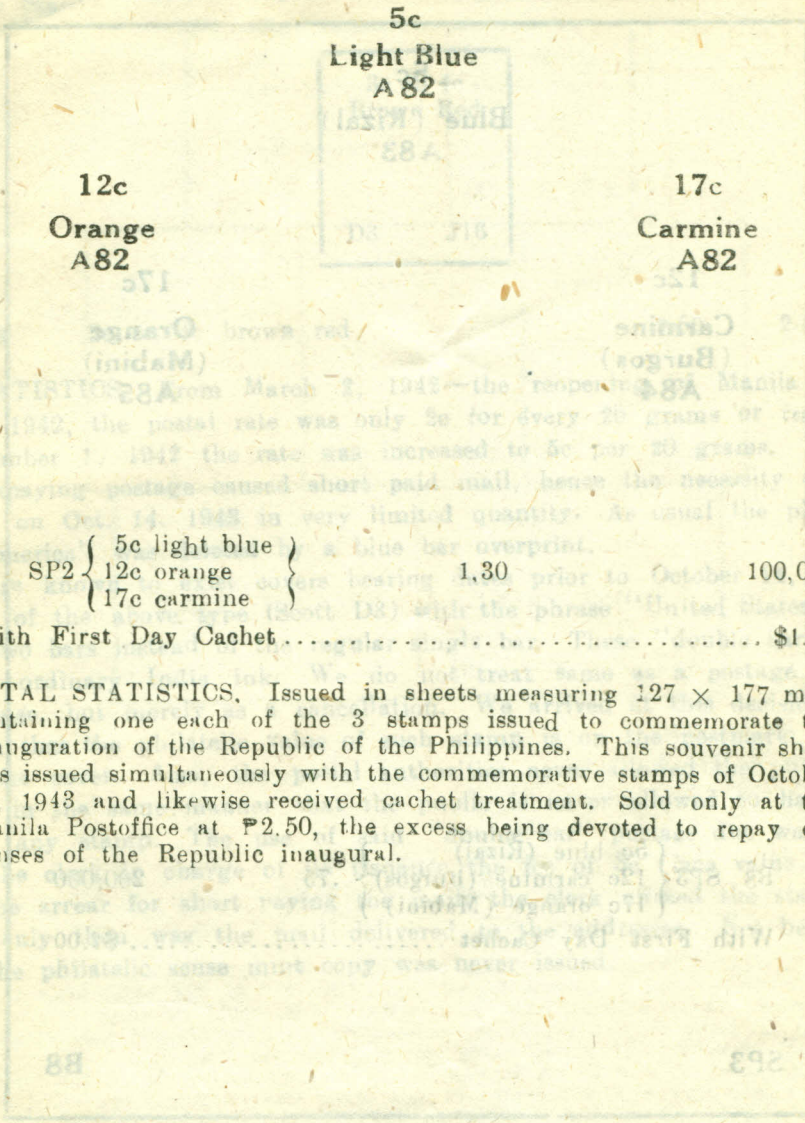
VITAL STATISTICS. To raise fund to conduct a drive for intensive and extensive production of foodstuff in the Philippines, a semi-postal set—the first ever issued in the Philippines—was placed on sale on November 2, 1942 with appropriate first day cachet. The stamps were printed in Manila, Unwmkd. Perf 12. 100 stamps per sheet. Two constant varieties in every sheet of 100 exist in the 5c + 1c value. One of these is the broken "O" in "FOR" making "FOR" appears "FDR". The other is the "slanting frame" variety. As there were 4,000 sheets of 100 stamps each printed, there are, therefore, only 4,000 copies each of these varieties.

1943. Flood Relief Semi-Postal
Regular Issue of 1943 Surcharged in Black,

12c + 21c Ultramarine		21c + 40c Violet		20c + 36c Magenta	
A80	B5	A77	B6	A79	B7

B5	A80	12c + 21c ultramarine	.27	.25	350,000
B6	A77	20c + 36c magenta	.37	.35	350,000
B7	A79	21c + 40c violet	.48	.45	350,000
B5-B7.		Set of 3 values	1.00	.90	
		First Day Cover		1.20	

VITAL STATISTICS. The surtax was given to a fund for the relief of flood victims in Manila. The set consists of the 12c, 20c and 21c values of the Regular Issue (new design, printed in Japan) of 1943, surcharged with the additional values of the surtax and the phrase "BAHA, 1943", meaning "Flood of 1943". Locally surcharged. It has been reported that several Japanese commercial houses in a charitable mood purchased together about 100,000 sets of this issue and sent them to Japan, and the shipment was lost on the way by combat action.



B4	SP2	{ 5c light blue 12c orange 17c carmine }	1,30	100,000
With First Day Cachet.....			\$1.50	

VITAL STATISTICS. Issued in sheets measuring 127 x 177 mm, containing one each of the 3 stamps issued to commemorate the inauguration of the Republic of the Philippines. This souvenir sheet was issued simultaneously with the commemorative stamps of October 14, 1943 and likewise received cachet treatment. Sold only at the Manila Postoffice at ₱2.50, the excess being devoted to repay expenses of the Republic inaugural.

SP2

B4

1944. National Heroes Issue.
 Souvenir Sheet. Printed in Manila.
 Imperf. without gum, Unwmkd.

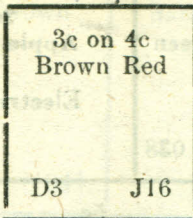
5c		
Blue (Rizal)		
A83		
12c		17c
Carmine (Burgos)		Orange (Mabini)
A84		A85
B8 SP3 { 5c blue (Rizal)		.75 200,000
12c carmine (Burgos)		
17c orange (Mabini)		
With First Day Cachet		\$2.00
SP3		B8

VIVAL STATISTICS. Issued in sheets measuring 100 x 143 mm, containing one each of the 3 stamps issued in honor of the 3 foremost Filipino National Heroes. Issued on February 9, 1944 with appropriate first day cachet. Sold only at the Manila Post-office at ₱1.00 a sheet, the excess being devoted to a fund for the care of the heroes monuments

AFRAN STAMP COMPANY, Manila, Philippines

POSTAGE DUE

1942. Emergency Issue
Postage Due Stamp of 1937 Overprinted in Blue.



J16 D3 3c on 4c brown red 2 50 2.50 40,000

VITAL STATISTICS. From March 2, 1942—the reopening of Manila Postoffice—to August 31, 1942, the postal rate was only 2c for every 20 grams or fraction thereof. From September 1, 1942 the rate was increased to 5c per 20 grams. Frequent mistakes in prepaying postage caused short paid mail, hence the necessity of issuing this postage due on Oct. 14, 1943 in very limited quantity. As usual the phrase “United States of America” was deleted by a blue bar overprint.

There are known to exist covers bearing dates prior to October 14, 1942 with 3c postage due of the above type (Scott D3) with the phrase “United States of America” deleted by two bars instead of the regular single bar. These “double bars” were hand-drawn with ordinary India ink. We do not treat same as a postage stamp in the philatelic sense, but merely as a cancellation. We arrived at this decision taking into consideration that the philatelic value of such stamp is on the postmark and while attached to the cover. Also, the postal authorities never allowed the public to handle said stamp in the same manner that the public is never allowed to handle the cancellation of any stamp. The use of said “double bar” postage due was obtained by paying to the clerk in charge of its issuance the fee of 3c (face value of the stamp) to satisfy the arrear for short paying the mail; the clerk affixed the stamp, cancelled same and only then was the mail delivered to the addressee. Not being a postage stamp in the philatelic sense mint copy was never issued.

AFRAN STAMP COMPANY, Manila, Philippines

OFFICIAL STAMPS

1943. Emergency Issue.

Regular Issue of 1939-41 Overprinted and/or Surcharged.

2c Apple Green	2c Apple Green Electric Eye
A 75	038

5c Dark Brown	5c (Shade)	5c Dark Brown on Scott 413
A 55 039	A 55 039a	A 55 039b

16c on 30c Red Orange FIRST PRINT	16c on 30c Red Orange SECOND PRINT
A 62	040

038	A 75	2c apple green	.10	.10	1,500,000
		Electric Eye Marking	.15	.15	
039	A 55	5c on 6c dark brown	.30	.15	640,000
		a. 5c on 6c light brown	.30	.15	
		b. 5c on 6c dark brown, on Scott 413	5.00	5.00	27,000
040	A 62	16c on 30c orange red, FIRST PRINTING	.70	.60	100,000
		16c on 30c orange red, SECOND PRINTING	.70	.60	100,000

VITAL STATISTICS. First placed on sale at Manila on April 7, 1943. The overprint reads "K. P." and a corresponding Japanese translation. "K. P." is the local dialect abbreviation of Official Business. These stamps, like the pre-war O. B. could be used only by government offices. Prior to the issue of this set the government offices overprinted their stamps either in writing with ink or by rubber stamp using the abbreviation "K. P."

A rare error exists of the 5c on 6c consisting in surcharging Scott 413 instead of Scott 435. To satisfy public clamor 27,000 copies of this error was purposely reprinted and placed on sale on June 26, 1944. No available data as to the exact number of the first printing of this error.

Two printings of 100,000 copies each were made of the 16c on 30c. In the first printing the stamps overprinted were of "deeper" red orange; while the second printing were on "lighter" red orange. In the first printing the overprinted and deleted "Commonwealth" is at the upper side of the stamp, while in the second printing it is on the center.

AFRAN STAMP COMPANY, Manila, Philippines

ENVELOPES

1943. Emergency Issue.

		<i>entires</i>		<i>cut square</i>	
		<i>mint</i>	<i>used</i>	<i>used</i>	
U43	E3 5c on 2c carmine on white, <i>plain</i>	0 50	.50	.10	100,000
	<i>With Return Address</i>	50	.50		

VITAL STATISTICS. Issued on April 1, 1943. As usual the phrase, "United States of America" was deleted by a black bar overprint.

1944. Surcharged in Black: "Republika Ng Pilipinas"

U44	E3 5c on 2c carmine on white, <i>plain</i>	.25	.25	.05	150,000
	First Day Cover (February 17, 1944)		.35		
	<i>With Return Address</i>	.25	.25		
	First Day Cover (June 12, 1944)		.35		

VITAL STATISTICS. As usual the phrase "United States of America" was deleted by a black bar overprint, and with the additional overprint: "REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS" (Republic of the Philippines). Because of the high cost of envelopes each was sold at P0.15 altho the postage value was only P0.05. The *plain* was first placed on sale on February 17, 1944; the *with return address* on June 12, 1943.

POSTAL CARDS

1942. Emergency Issue,

		<i>entires</i>		<i>cut square</i>	
		<i>mint</i>	<i>used</i>	<i>used</i>	
UX18	A53 2c red on pale buff (March 4, 1942)	.50	.50	.30	84,000
UX19	A75 2c light green (Dec. 12, 1942)	.50	.50	.30	110,000
	First Day Cover		1.50		

VITAL STATISTICS. As usual the phrases "United States of America" and "Commonwealth" were deleted by a black bar overprint.

1943. Regular Issue,

UX20	A78 2c emerald on buff	.05	.04	.02	
	First Day Cover		.20		

VITAL STATISTICS. Printed in Japan. First placed on sale on April 1, 1943.

OFFICIAL CARDS

1943. Emergency Issue.

UZ5	A53 2c red on pale buff	2.50	2.50	1.50	32,000
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VITAL STATISTICS. Besides the usual deletion, overprinted "K, P." and the Japanese translation of same. First placed on sale on May 17, 1943.

1944. Regular I-suc

Overprinted in Black.

UZ6	A78 2c emerald on buff	.20	.15	.05	200,000
	First Day Cover				

VITAL STATISTICS. First placed on sale on August 28, 1944 with appropriate first day cachet. This is the 1943 Regular Post Card overprinted in black: "Republika Ng Pilipinas" "(K, P.)".

AFRAN STAMP COMPANY, Manila, Philippines

1945. Victory Issue.

Stamps of 1935 Overprinted in Black:

VICTORY
COMMONWEALTH

4c Yellow Green A54		8c Violet A56		10c Rose Carmine A57	
12c Black A58		16c Dark Blue A59		26c Indigo A61	
2c rose A53	20c Light olive green A60	30c orange red A62		20c (Special Delivery) blue violet SD2	

6c light brown A55	A53	2c rose	.02
	A54	4c yellow green	.03
	A55	6c light brown	.05
	A56	8c violet	.05
	A57	10c rose carmine	.06
	A58	12c black	.07
	A59	16c dark blue	.09
	A60	20c light olive green	.12
	A61	26c indigo	.15
	A62	30c orange red	.20
	Set of 10 values	.80	

A63	1p red orange & black	.60
A64	2p bistre brown & black	1.20
A65	4p blue & black	2.25
A66	5p green & black	2.75
	Set of 4 values	6.50

1945. Special Delivery Stamp.

Type of 1919 Overprinted in Black:

VICTORY
COMMONWEALTH

SD2	20c blue violet	.15
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1945. Postal Card. VICTORY.

	2c sepia on buff	.02
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AFRAN STAMP COMPANY, Manila, Philippines

1p Red Orange & Black	2p Bistre Brown & Black	4p Blue & Black
A63	A64	A65

10p Gray
A71

5p Green & Black
A66

20p Henna Brown
A71

1945. Stamps of 1937 Overprinted in Black:

VICTORY
COMMONWEALTH

A71 10p gray	5.50	-----
A71 20p henna brown	11.00	-----
Set of 2 values	16.00	-----

VITAL STATISTICS. In the liberation of the Philippines the Americans made their first landings in the island of Leyte. Tacloban, the capital of Leyte, was the first Post office to reopen—on November 8, 1944. Awaiting the arrival from the United States of the regular VICTORY overprinted stamps, the postmaster at Tacloban handstamped "Victory" all pre war stamps he had in stock. This procedure was followed by several other postoffices. The regular Victory printed overprint arrived in Leyte on January 17, 1945. The Manila Post-office reopened on April 16, 1945.

The regular Victory sets we are listing are the 1935 and 1937 types with the VICTORY and COMMONWEALTH overprint printed. They are not, as they appeared at first glance, remainders of previous pre-war issues merely overprinted. They are newly printed stocks by the Bureau of Engraving & Printing, Washington, D. C. altho using the 1935-37 designs. Upon close examination differences in shades and paper are noticeable.

Indications are that all these Victory issues will be withdrawn from sale after the war, or even before.

Presently only printed, not handstamped, Victory overprint are accepted valid for postage.

AFRAN STAMP COMPANY. Manila, Philippines

MANCHUKUO

1942. Fall of Singapore Commemorative.
Regular Issue of 1937 Overprinted.

140 A17 2f light green

141 A18 4f light olive green

140-141. Complete Set of 2 values 1.00

VITAL STATISTICS. Issued on February 16, 1942 to commemorate the Fall of Singapore to Imperial Japanese Forces.

1942. War Anniversary Issue.

Regular Issue of 1936 Overprinted.

148 A16 3f chocolate

149 A17 6f green

148-149. Set of 2 values 0.50

VITAL STATISTICS. Issued on December 8, 1942. The overprint in Roman numerals "8.12.8" and in Japanese characters meaning "Commemorating the First Anniversary of the Greater East Asia War".

1943. Labor Law Issue.

Regular Issue of 1936 Overprinted.

150 A16 3f chocolate

151 A17 6f carmine

150-151. Set of 2 values 0.50

VITAL STATISTICS. Issued on May 1, 1943. The overprint in Japanese means, "Enforcement of Law of Labor".

1943. Red Cross 5th Anniversary.

Stamp with New Design.

152 A43 6f green .25

First Day Cover .50

VITAL STATISTICS. Issued on October 15, 1943, with appropriate first day cachet, to commemorate the 5th Anniversary of the Foundation of the Red Cross Society in Manchukuo. Complete set of 1 stamp.

1943. Food Campaign Issue.

Stamp with New Design.

153 A44 6f orange brown .25

First Day Cover .50

VITAL STATISTICS. Issued on Dec. 8, 1943 in commemoration of the extensive and intensive production of foodstuff thruout Manchukuo. Complete set of 1 stamp.

JAPAN

1942. Fall of Singapore. Regular Issue of 1937 Surcharged with Additional values. Semi-Postal.

B4 A84 2s + 1s crimson

B5 A86 4s + 2s dark green

B4-B5. Set of 2 values 1.00

VITAL STATISTICS. Issued on February 16, 1942 to commemorate the Fall of Singapore to Japanese Imperial Forces. The surtax devoted to war purposes.

1942. Tenth Anniversary of Manchukuo.

Stamps with New Design.

325 A144 2s chocolate

326 A145 5s olive

327 A144 10s carmine

328 A146 20s blue

325-328. Set of 4 values 2.00

VITAL STATISTICS. Issued to commemorate the 10th Anniversary of the Founding of the State of Manchukuo. The 2s and 10s were issued on March 1, 1942, and the 5s and 20s on September 15, 1942. 70 stamps per sheet.

1942. Railway Anniversary Issue.

Stamp with Dew Design.

329 A147 5s dark green .50

VITAL STATISTICS. Issued to commemorate the 70th Anniversary of the Railway System of Japan. Complete set of 1 stamp. 50 stamps per sheet.

1942. War Anniversary.

Stamps with New Design. Semi-Postal.

B6 SP2 2s + 1s crimson

B7 SP3 5s + 2s blue

B6-B7. Set of 2 values 1.50

VITAL STATISTICS. Issued on December 3, 1942 to commemorate the First Anniversary of Great East Asia War. The surtax devoted to war purposes. The 2s depicts Japanese tanks on the road to Singapore; and the 5s portrays the attack on Pearl Harbor. 50 stamps per sheet.

1944. Yasukine Shrine Commemorative.

Stamp with New Design.

330 A148 7s dark blue .25

VITAL STATISTICS. Issued on June 29, 1944 to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the Yasukine Shrine. Complete set of 1 stamp.

BURMA

1943. Independence Commemorative. Complete Set of 3 values—\$1.00.

OCCUPIED CHINA

1942. Return of Foreign Concessions Commemorative. Regular Issue of 1938-41 Surcharged.

A57 25c on 5c green

A58 50c on 8c red orange

A57 \$1 on 16c brown

A58 \$2 on 50c dark brown
Complete Set of 4 values 1.50
VITAL STATISTICS. Issued to commemorate the Return of Foreign Concessions to China.

1943. Postal Anniversary Commemorative.
Regular Issue of 1931-41 Overprinted.

A38 4c green
A57 8c olive green
A57 16c brown
Complete Set of 3 values .25
VITAL STATISTICS. Issued to commemorate the 5th Anniversary of the Postal Service in Occupied China.

1943. War Declaration Anniversary.
Regular Issue of 1931-41 Overprinted.

A38 4c green
A57 10c deep green
Complete Set of 2 values .25
VITAL STATISTICS. Issued to commemorate the First Anniversary of the Declaration of War by China on United States and Great Britain.

1943. Anniversary Executive Commission.
Regular Issue of 1931-41 Overprinted.

A57 9c olive green
A57 18c brown olive
A40 50c green
A57 \$1 henna and dark brown
Complete Set of 4 values 1.50
VITAL STATISTICS. Issued to commemorate the 5th Anniversary of the Establishment of the Executive Commission in China.

1944. Return of Capital to Nanking.
Stamps with New Design.

A60 50c orange
A60 \$1 blue
A60 \$2 carmine
A60 \$5 green
Complete Set of 4 values \$2.50
VITAL STATISTICS. Issued to commemorate the Return of Nanking as capital of China. 50 stamps in a sheet.

1944. Department of Communications Anniversary. Regular Issue of 1931-41 Overprinted.

A57 9c olive green
A57 18c brown olive
A40 50c green

A57 \$1 henna and dark brown
Complete Set of 4 values \$1.50
VITAL STATISTICS. Issued to commemorate the Sixth Anniversary of the Department of Communications in China.

1944. Anniversary Return of Concessions.
Stamps with New Design.

A61 60c orange
A61 \$3 blue
Complete Set of 2 values \$2.00
VITAL STATISTICS. Issued to commemorate the First Anniversary of the Return of Foreign Concessions to China.

BORNEO

1942. Navy Issue.
Stamps with New Design.

208 A88 2c brown
209 A88 3c emerald
210 A88 3½c orange
211 A88 5c blue
212 A88 10c carmine
213 A88 15c ultramarine
214 A88 20c magenta
208-214. Set of 7 values 2.00
VITAL STATISTICS. The Island of Borneo (British Borneo, Brunei, and Dutch Borneo) was placed by the Japanese under the administration of the Navy, and a regular issue was issued. Because of the limited postal activities only small quantity of this issue was ordered printed.

MONGOLIA

1942. Postal Anniversary Commemorative.
Stamps with New Design.

75 A21 4m orange
76 A21 8m blue
75-76. Complete Set of 2 values 0.50
VITAL STATISTICS. Issued to commemorate the 5th Anniversary of the establishment of Postal Service in Mongolia. 50 stamps in a sheet.

1943. War Anniversary Commemorative.
Stamps with New Design.

77 A22 4m carmine
78 A22 8m green
77-78. Complete Set of 2 values 0.50
VITAL STATISTICS. Issued on December 8, 1943 to commemorate the Second Anniversary of the Greater East Asia War. 50 stamps in a sheet.

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

From 1935 the Philippines existed as a Commonwealth Government under the sovereignty of the United States. When the war started on December 8, 1941, American and Filipino soldiers under Gen. McArthur fought together against the Japanese invasion in many points of the Philippines, most heroically in Bataan and Corregidor.

The City of Manila, after having been declared Open City was entered by the Japanese on January 2, 1942.

Under the Japanese Occupation altho existing paper currency and coins were allowed to circulate and accepted at par as legal tender, current stamps were immediately demonetized and rendered invalid for postal use.

The Peso (Philippine currency) was pegged by the Japanese at par with the Japanese Yen, and certain limited amount of Philippine money could be cabled to Japan for purchase of Japanese stamps and accessories and for payment of subscription to Japanese publications and books.

During the Japanese Occupation the Philippine Bureau of Posts had reopened almost all postoffices existing before the war and maintained foreign mail service with Japan, Manchukuo, China, Singapore and other parts of Malaya, Java and other points of the Dutch East Indies except New Guinea; Borneo, and several other parts of the Japanese occupied territory. All the stamps issued were actually for postal use and had actually seen postal service either locally or for foreign mail, except the 1p on 4p (Scott 469, A65) issued April 30, 1943 which we consider as a speculative issue.

The American forces under Gen. McArthur entered the City of Manila on February 3, 1945 and liberation of the City was completed within 2 weeks. The Japanese made a stubborn resistance within the City specially in the South District and practically left in ruins Manila which resulted in the destruction of more than 70% of dealers and collectors stocks of pre-war and war issues of the Philippines.

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