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The Postal History of the THE SPANISH CIVIL WAR 1936-1939 by Ronald G Shelley



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Perf 10 x 9½ x 11 x 13

Compound perf 8 and 9 in colour
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Evaluation

In view of the present trends in supply and demand for this class of stamps, I have considered it best to use coefficients of rarity as per the following code letters, instead of the traditional two columns of prices:

C	Common
S	Scarce
R	Rare
RR	Very rare

For used stamps with legible postmarks, the respective coefficients can be raised one point, and two or three points when they are 'on cover' as in that state I consider all items of the Republican Zone can be classified 'R' or 'RR' including those 'prepared' for philatelists.

Remarks

- 1 This catalogue only refers to those stamps of the Republican Zone in whose design the name of the town or locality has been included (some exceptions i.e. where they can be firmly allocated).
- 2 The dates given are those where the stamps are known to have been on sale. There may be errors in this information and variations in both colours and perforations.
- 3 The stamps are listed in strict alphabetical order - as shown by the names on the stamps themselves.

ADSUBIA (Alicante) P. 5

1936. Pro Milicias. Perf 11½.

1 9 25c black and red

ADZANETA DE ALBAIDA (Valencia) P. 315

1937. Type 1. Inscr. Consejo Municipal. Perf 10.

2 1 5c violet

AGRAMUNT (Lerida) P. 216

1937. Pro Refugiats i Lluitadors. Serial number in black. Perf 11½, imperf at edges of sheet.

3 10 5c brown
4 10 10c ultramarine
5 10 25c bistre
6 10 50c blue
7 10 50c green
8 10 1p violet

AGUILAS (Murcia) P. 269

1937. Type 2. Inscr. Asistencia Social. Perf 15½.

9 2 5c red
10 2 10c violet

AIGUAFREDA (Barcelona) P. 59

1937. Similar to type 3. Inscr. Segell Municipal. Perf.

11 3 1p blue

1937. Typographed. Inscr. 'Consell Municipal/Aiguafreda/ value/Impost. Perf.

12 - 5c black

ALAYOR (Balearic Islands) P. 56

1936. Pro Milicias Antifascistas. Perf 11.

13 11 5c red and black
a. 'ANTIFASCISTAS' same length as 'MILICIAS' and in block capitals. 'ALAYOR' 2½mm high.
b. As before, but 'ALAYOR' 3½mm high.
c. 'ANTIFASCISTAS' in serified letters.
d. 'ANTIFASCISTAS'



664 - 10c black RR
1937. Conite local de Refugiados de Guerra. Perf 11½.

665 212 5c black RR
666 212 10c black RR

1937. Typographed. Inscr. 'Sello Pro-Milicias/HONDON DE LAS NIEVES/value. Perforated.

667 - 10c black on greyish paper RR
HOSPITAL DE LLOBREGAT (Barcelona) f 77

1937. Sanitat i Assistència Social.

a. Perf 11½.

668 213 5c grey blue S
669 213 25c brown S
670 213 50c orange red S
671 213 1p rose lilac U S

b. Rouletted.

672 213 5c grey blue C
673 213 10c greenish blue C
674 213 25c brown C

c. Imperf.

675 213 5c grey blue S
676 213 25c brown S
677 213 50c orange red S
678 213 1p rose lilac S

1937. Sanitat i Assistència Social. Perf 11.

679 214 10c blue, red and black RR
680 214 25c blue, red and black RR

1937. Cruz Roja Espanola. Perf 11½.

681 215 10c red, grey and black S
682 215 10c red, grey and black on yellow R

1937. Junta Local de Defensa Passiva. Perf 11.

683 216 10c lilac U S



IBI (Alicante) f 22

1937. Socorro Rojo Internacional. Perf 11½.

686 217 5c dark rose lilac R
a. 'S.R.I.' in large and serifed lettering.

IBROS (Joan) f 264

1937. Socorro Rojo Internacional. Perf 8 in colour.

687 218 5c blood red RR
688 218 25c blood red R

IGUALADA (Barcelona) f 74

1937. Ajut permanent Pro Madrid. Perf 11½.

689 219 25c rose and black S
690 219 25c green and rose R
691 219 50c rose lilac and black R
692 219 50c blue and rose S
693 219 1p olive green and red R
694 219 1p violet and black S

1937. Shield of Igualada. Inscr. 'AJUNTAMENT/D'IGUALADA/DESPESES DE GUERRA/value'. Number in black on front up to four figures. Perforated.

695 - 10c black, blue and blue black RR
696 - 50c black, blue and blue black RR

1937. Circular design with five-pointed star at the centre of which is the coat of arms of Igualada. Inscribed round the circle: 'JUNTA LOCAL DE DEFENSA PASSIVA'. Perf.

697 - 25c red on yellow R
698 - 50c turquoise green R
699 - 1p blue R

1937. Shield of Igualada surrounded by laurel wreath and value at base. Inscr. 'ASSISTENCIA/SOCIAL/IGUALADA'. Perf.

700 - 5c chocolate R



VINEBRE (Tarragona) f 323

1937. Correus. Perf 11½ or Imperf.

a. Type I - 'CORREUS/CENTIMS' double line.

1482 500 5c clear blue and black C
1483 500 5c clear green and black C
1484 500 10c rose and black U C
1485 500 10c rose lilac and orange C

b. Type II - 'CORREUS/CENTIMS' single line.

1486 500 5c clear blue and black C
1487 500 5c clear green and black C
1488 500 10c rose and black C
1489 500 10c rose lilac and orange C

c. Types I and II. Horizontal se-tenant pairs.

1490 500 5-5c clear blue and black U R
1491 500 5-5c clear green and black U R
1492 500 10-10c rose and black U R
1493 500 10-10c rose lilac and orange R

d. Type I - horizontal pairs tete-beche.

1494 500 5-5c clear blue and black S
1495 500 5-5c clear green and black U S
1496 500 10-10c rose and black S
1497 500 10-10c rose lilac and orange U S

1937. Anniversary of 19th July 1936. Size 26 x 37mm.

a. Perf 11½ or Imperf.

1498 501 5c red C
1499 501 5c blue C
1500 502 5c red C
1501 502 5c blue C

b. Horizontal pairs with types 501 and 502 se-tenant. Perf 11½ or Imperf.

1502 501/2 5-5c red S
1503 501/2 5-5c blue S

1937. Anniversary of 19th July 1936. Miniature sheets of 105 x 135mm. Watermark: An aeroplane and the letters THS. Imperf.

There are three types:



- Type I. The coloured blazes do not pass the margins. Vertical numbering at right top corner. RR
- Type II. The coloured blazes pass the margins. Vertical numbering at right top corner. RR
- Type III. The coloured blazes do not pass the margins. Horizontal numbering right corner. The four stamps are close together. S

In all types the serial numbers are printed in black.



1504 503 5c brown (501); 5c green (502)
5c green (502); 5c brown (501)

a. Left bottom stamp inverted.

1505 503 5c brown (502); 5c green (501)
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inscription - 'ESTADO ESPAÑA'.

The 'Junta' issues

5c brown	Burgos cathedral
15c green	Zaragossa cathedral
25c carmine	Seville cathedral
30c red	Xavier castle, Navarre
1p black	Alcantara Bridge and Alcazar, Toledo

The 'Franco' issues

10c green	Salamanca University
50c blue	Court of Lions, Granada
60c green	Cordoba Mosque
4p lilac, red and yellow	Nationalist flag at Malaga
10p brown	Troops disembarking at Algeciras

There are many varieties in perforation and composition. There were three printings of the 30c. The 10c, 15c and 30c are found bisected.

Extreme caution should be taken with this issue for it was extensively forged in 1942 by Juan Marra, an Italian living in Malaga.

3 Mallorca

Mallorca is the largest island in the Balearic group. These islands form an integral part of Spain and are classed as a province. The islands of Mallorca, Ibiza and Formentera declared immediately for the Nationalists - only Minorca remained Republican.

Early in 1937 there was a great shortage of 5c, 10c and 15c stamps coupled with a surfeit of 1c and 2c Republican stamps. Permission was given for a provisional overprint to be applied to the latter.

An unrecorded quantity of stamps were overprinted with 'Habilitado (and value)' in black.

0'05 ptas on 1c green
0'05 ptas on 2c brown
0'10 ptas on 1c green
0'15 ptas on 2c brown



Habilitado
0'05 ptas



4 Burgos

Franco, as stated in the introduction visualised a new United Spain with Isabella and Ferdinand as the patron saints and so Isabella the Catholic was chosen to appear on the second definitive issued coupled with the lower and top values featuring 'El Cid'.

The stamps were printed by Hija de B. Fournier, Burgos. The first printing of the 30c has the imprint 'FOURNIER, BURGOS' only - the second 'HJA DE B. FOURNIER, BURGOS' - and the third - no imprint - the 70c value only. There are many variations of the imprint due to creased transfers and copies of the 70c have been found with traces of the short imprint.

This issue has been admirably covered in a book 'La Emision Española de Isabel la catolica 1937-40' by Ian T Hamilton which was published in Spain in 1955. Mr Hamilton has since wrote several articles in the philatelic press dealing with the 'short imprint' 70c and with the plating of the 'El Cid' values.

The same printing firm was also responsible for the following:-

- (i) 1937 Pegasus 20c brown Urgent
- (ii) 1939 10c blue Homage to the Army
- (iii) The 1939 'with imprint' Franco head issue

5 Vigo

A small printing firm - M Roel of Vigo - produced the Anti-tuberculosis stamps of 1937 and 1938. These were the forerunners of a yearly set of Anti-Tuberculosis stamps to raise funds for building sanatoriums etc.. The issue ceased in 1953 when it was decided that sufficient money has been obtained and sufficient income was being derived from the invested money.

6 Vitoria

The printing firm of 'Hijos de B. Fournier, Vitoria printed the 1937 Holy Year set of





One of 100 covers sent out by the A.F.O. - 25th November 1938

Special postmarks were used and they have 'CORREO SUBMARINO' round the top and 'BARCELONA' or 'MAHON' at the base. The dates are Barcelona - 11th August 1938 and Mahon - 13th August 1938. The stamps issued were:

1p blue	12,500 printed
2p red-brown	20,000
4p orange	12,000
6p indigo	10,000
10p mauve	10,000
15p green	8,000

A miniature sheet was also issued (this is found on some of the 300 covers mentioned above) of which 12,500 were printed.

There are many colour trials and the set is found imperf, over-printed 'MUESTRA' (specimen) and there are pulls from the blocks after they have been defaced. An article appeared in the 11th March 1939 issue of

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the 'Saturday Evening Post' written by journalist Werner Kell, friend of Noguera, who made the historic journey in the C4. Kell describes his experiences in great detail. The C4 made no further trips and this was and still is the only Spanish submarine post.

It must be remembered that the Republicans at this time were still the lawful Government of Spain and they would not recognise the stamps of Nationalist Spain. In addition they requested other countries and other states to do likewise. The Director-General of the Post Office sent out the following communication on the 12th July 1937:

'I have the honour to inform you that the labels called anti-fascist, issued by Committees, Municipalities and political and cultural societies have not now and never have had any postal validity and, therefore they could not, in any case, be used instead of the postage stamps of the Spanish Republic.'

Similar labels, and war stamps, issued by the Rebels have no validity in the eyes of foreign postal administrations, who treat as unpaid all correspondence which, reaches them franked with stamps other than those issued by the legitimate Government of Spain, stamps which always have the inscription 'República Española' and which are regularly deposited at the headquarters of the U.P.U. in virtue of the agreements now in force'.

43rd Division. Issued on 1st September 1938 to honour the 43rd Division. Two values - 25c dark green and 45c red-brown. Issued perf and imperf. Found used on FDC and First Day post-card.

Homage to the Popular Army. More commonly known as 'Las Milicias' this was the last set officially circulated by the Republican Government. Printed at the F.N.M.T, there were nine values depicting the Republican army and the People's militia in action. Regrettably this

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Please buy some for yourself, and some for your friends. Send a postal order for them now to: The Stamp Secretary, Basque Children's Committee, 4 Great Smith Street, London SW1'.

There were three labels issued. The first issued in October, 1938 when the Committee was at 53 Marsham Street is in blue. Then two more in December of the same year. These are mentioned in the leaflet. Printed in green and bright red-lilac. A fourth label was discovered quite recently. E.V. Bailey has one in his collection and the other was given to the author by the late Mrs Dibben of Kingston.

Mr Bailey discovered the following facts about this label which came from Langham, Nr Colchester.

'On 9th June 1937 a home for Basque Refugee Children was opened at 'The Oaks' Langham by Canon Dick Sheppard's pacifist organisation - the Peace Pledge Union.

The first contingent of children numbered 51 and they were brought from the refugee transit camp at Southampton. The home which was renamed 'Basque' house continued to care for the children until shortly after the outbreak of World War II but the majority of the children returned to their parents in the summer of 1939.

At the end of 1938 or early in 1939 the Peace Pledge Union issued sheets of labels inviting donations towards the maintenance of the children.

The subject chosen for the label was the smallest and the youngest girl in the home - by name 'Esperanza Careaga'. The labels were distributed free. Printed in green.

France also issued a 2 franc red stamp in late 1938 and Mr Denters of the The Netherlands gave the author - some time back - a piece of card-board - 'Sauvez mon petit' which appears to have been attached to the child concerned as an identity label.

OTHER ITEMS

Slogans. Slogans with 'Viva Franco': 'Arriba España' come in many different formats and colours. Wordings change in every town. It is not unusual to find five or six different slogans on the same cover.



Stickers. Patriotic stickers - with slogans as above. Many have been recorded



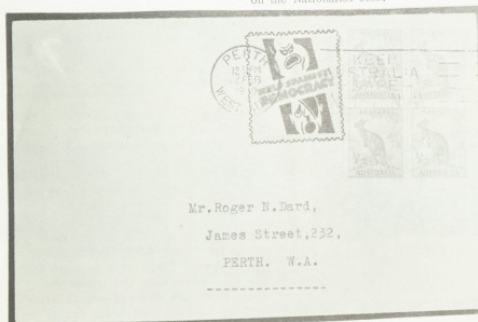
and usually found in the colours of Nationalist Spain: red, yellow and red. On the other hand there are many which are multicoloured.

Patriotic postcards. These were churned out in their hundreds by the 'Nationalists'. There are coloured portraits of all the Generals, many different poses of Franco on his own or with his daughter. Many were produced in Malaga by Juan Marra, the Italian mentioned earlier. Several propaganda postcards have been found of Republican origin.

Stamps from other countries. In 1946 Poland issued a stamp to commemorate the Polish Legion and a further one in October 1966 to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Jaroslaw Dabrowski Brigade.

In 1938 France issued a stamp to welcome home re-patriated Frenchmen.

Roumania issued a set to commemorate the Iron Guards - Vasile Marin and Ion Mota - who were killed fighting on the Nationalist side.



The Australian label.

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