

THE REGULAR ISSUES OF FRANCE 1876-1945

According To Their Normal Postal Usage

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FOREWORD

The France & Colonies Philatelic Society is pleased to sponsor this publication. The first installment of this work originally appeared in the Philatelist in July, 1967; subsequent portions have appeared senally and will continue as space permits.

An understanding of postal rates and the denominations of stamps issued for their application is fundamental to the intelligent organization of a stamp collection as well as for the study of postal history. It should be of interest to every serious collector of a country's stamps.

The handbook format, consolidating this information with revisions, new data, and illustrations, is particularly useful and convenient for reference. The subject is likewise especially suitable for publication by our Society, and in this spirit we have encouraged the author to accomplish this labor of love.

—J. E. Lievsay, Pres.

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INTRODUCTION

A request made in 1966 by the editor of the France & Colonies Philatelist for a contributed article eventually resulted in a long serial which began its appearance in the July 1967 number of that journal. Entitled "The Regular Issues of France 1876-1966 according to their normal postal usage," it is expected to run for several more years and to continue its coverage beyond the originally contemplated 1966 cutoff date.

In order to make the earlier sections of the serialized article more readily available to the members of the France and Colonies Philatelic Society, and for wider dissemination to the public, this handbook has been assembled at the offer of the officers of the Society to publish a reprint or revision. Rather than being a mere reprint of the original sections, it presents a major revision of the material. Earlier sections, particularly the one on the Sage issues, have been almost completely rewritten; later ones, beginning with the Paix of Laurens issues, have required only minor corrections. Benefitting from new information, and even more, from older published material not available to him previously, the writer has grown with his hobby and become more knowledgeable in the field of this particular study. This handbook therefore reflects the author's painful progress made over the past few years.

The title's emphasis on (1) the regular issues, and (2) on their normal postal usage, still seems entirely appropriate. The ultimate raison d'étre of any postage stamp, particularly one of a regular issue, and most assuredly of one from France, has been that it should serve a regular postal function -that its face value was picked to fill a specific postal need according to the tariff in force when the stamp was conceived. Most of the regular issues of France fulfill this requirement. With rare exceptions, the other regular issues consist of "add-on" stamps of low denominations (complementary values) and of high denominations (supplementary values); the former serve mainly for newspapers and magazines, the latter for packages, airmail, heavier and costlier registered and special delivery mail, etc. Wherever possible, the usages shown for each denomination are those for which a single stamp was issued and could be used. It is true that two or more stamps of lower denominations could have been and frequently were used instead of the specific one under consideration—but such usage does not affect or enter into the plan of this study.

Changes in type or subtype, of color, or of shade for any one stamp have had an ordered evolutionary sequence, dictated largely by changes in tariffs and to a lesser extent by changes in printing and distributing methods. Tariff changes not only resulted in new denominations, but also made others obsolete and, in many instances, revived little-used or discontinued ones. A reinstated value, therefore, might be re-issued in a different color (if, for example, its original color had been reassigned) or at least in a different shade. It may have been printed by rotary press rather than from the original flat plates. Booklets and coils may have been issued in addition to the original sheet format. More likely than not, the reinstated value would appear in a type (or types) differing from that of its precursor. A study of the tariffs and their duration, therefore, leads to an understanding of (among many other fascinating aspects) relative quantities issued and used—and value thereof—and of the variations within the different denominations.

The study begins with the year 1876 and the issuance of stamps in the Sage design. The Classic issues of the 1849-76 period are not included for the following reasons. They have been the most extensively studied of all French stamps, and information similar to that of this study may be found in a multitude of works, many of which are current and easily obtainable. The number of different Classic stamps is relatively small, and their denominations were, for the most part, dictated by domestic tariff requirements. The multiplicity of bilaterial tariff agreements that existed during the pre-UPU period of the Classic issues greatly complicates the assignment of foreign usage to particular stamps. Much of this complexity was resolved with the entry of France into the Universal Postal Union (U.P.U.) in 1876, the year of the birth of the Sage design.

Even so, foreign and Colonial usage during the early years (to 1881) of the Sage issues presents many problems. Preferential rates to other U.P.U. signatories resulted in "countries of the first level," as opposed to the non-signatory "countries of the second level." Although it was among the first signatory nations, the United States was treated as a second-level area. Distant French colonies, although receiving otherwise favorable rates, were nonetheless saddled with the voie de mer (maritime mail) surtax. Fortunately, these distinctions were swept aside by the early 1880s, and further simplification followed.

Beginning with the Tariff of 16 April 1906, surface mail to Andorra, Monaco, and the French colonies generally has followed the domestic rates. The domestic rates for letters and postal cards were thusly applied in 1906. Rates for printed matter and samples, newspapers and periodicals, invoices, and registry followed upon effect of the Tariff of 1 May 1910 or shortly thereafter; visiting cards probably followed suit late in 1910. It is with these early 20th Century tariffs that reference to the Colonies begins to disappear from this work, and it should be understood that thenceforth surface mail rates to the then colonies (plus Andorra and Monaco) - and the later French Union and French Community of Nations—come under the various domestic tariffs. Preferential rates to nearby areas of Belgium, Spain, and Switzerland (within 30 km map distance of a French postal bureau)—the rayons limitrophes and to Luxembourg, first appeared with the Foreign Tariff of 4 October 1907, and were more widely applied by the Foreign Tariff of 1 April 1921; full preferential rates for mail to Luxembourg appeared 1 May 1928, and similar treatment was accorded to Canada on 4 September 1929.

Although major emphasis is, and should be, placed on the regular issues, commemorative stamps and other pictorial and large-format stamps have been incorporated into the study, in a simpler format under the heading of "Interludes." This was done because (1) these stamps are very popular, and the writer did not wish to alienate their admirers, and (2) a simple demarcation between definitives and commemoratives does not always exist; the Pasteurs (Sec. IV) are a prime example of a regular series that grew out of a set of three commemorative stamps. A number of other commemorative stamps became so "regular" that their designs also were used for booklets and postal stationery (usually in a different galvano type from that of the stamp in sheet form). To these stamps, the writer assigns the term "quasi-regular." For the purposes of this study, the term "quasi-regular" may be extended to the engraved large-format stamps periodically issued in relatively large quantities as replacements or extensions of regular "Monuments and Sites" and similar sets.

For various reasons certain stamps in new designs were issued from time to time as replacements or extension of existing regular issues; in the Introduction 3

period covered by Interlude II, they replaced stamps of the "Monuments and Sites" issue or may be considered as additional values in that issue. An example of the former is the 2F Breton River, which replaced the 2F Arc de Triomphe; an example of the latter is the 3F50 St.-Trophime d'Arles, added to cover the foreign registered single-weight letter rate in effect during the early and middle 1930s. Because these stamps were issued singly and at irregular intervals, and not considered in major catalogues as parts of sets, they are here called "isolated regulars." The demarcation between commemoratives and quasi-regulars, between quasi-regulars and isolated regulars, and between isolated regulars and regular issues is of necessity a matter of personal choice, but it is not within the scope of this study to challenge catalogue listings.

Excluded from consideration are the semi-postal stamps from a personal belief that most of them served philatelic rather than postal needs. The interested reader is invited to compare the franking value (not the surtax) of his semi-postals with that of regular and commemorative stamps of the same period to determine their normal usage. Also excluded are airmail stamps, which are a subject in themselves and not integral to the present study.

No originality is claimed for this work. The sources on which it is based are listed in a complete bibliography, to be found among the back pages of the handbook. They include many important studies by some of the giants of French philately. This writer is responsible only for the use he has made of material developed by others.

Perhaps the greatest contribution this work may make appears in the form of illustrations of the types and subtypes mentioned throughout the text. Although all have been published elsewhere, only here (to the writer's knowledge) can all be found within one set of covers. The discovery of the various types and subtypes, and the original sketches that illustrate them, result from studies by several indefatigable students of French philately and printing techniques. The writer gratefully acknowledges the contributions made, to this facet of French philately, by the Messrs. Blanc, Boblique, Ginestet, Dr. Joany. Col. Lebland, Lesgor, DeLizeray, Rich, and Baron de Vinck, and hopes no names were accidentally omitted. Many of the illustrations shown here were reproduced from the excellent annual catalogue of M. Georges Monteaux; others were copied faithfully from original sources. Such well-known basic types as I and II of the Sage and of the Blanc issues need not be and are not reproduced here.

Finally, the writer thanks his colleagues in the France and Colonies Philatelic Society and particularly his editor for the encouragement—and prompting—that made this work possible.

I. The Sage ("Peace and Commerce") issues of 1876-1901

Scott type A15

Designed by Jules-Auguste Sage; engraved by Louis-Eugène Mouchon.

The foreign rate structure for the early years of the Sage issues is a highly complicated one. France entered the U.P.U., then known as l'Union Générale des Postes (U.G.P.), on 1 Jan. 1876, shortly before the introduction of the Sage design. In an attempt at simplification, one can relate non-domescic rates to the following tariffs:

1 Jan. 1876: preferential lowered rates to those few other political entities,

^{1—}Bull. des Lois, ser. 12, Bull. Nos. 275, 300, 348, 388, 428, 435, 472, 546, 602, and 685, contain the texts of the relevant decrees between 1875 and 1881.

here called "of 1st level," adhering to the U.P.U.; varying and higher rates to other areas, here called "of 2nd level." As the U.P.U. gained adherents, political entities (through individual or collective decrees) received the preferental 1st level rates, whereas 2nd level areas correspondingly declined in importance and number. Mail to the U.S. and a number of other trans-oceanic countries was required to pay a surtax, the voie de mer.

1 July 1876: the French colonies entered into the U.P.U. structure; voie de mer added, where applicable.

1 May 1878: a "universal" ordinary letter rate was adopted for all U.P.U. countries, but the voie de mer was retained.

1 April 1879: the voie de mer was rescinded for mail between France and its colonies.

1 Oct. (or Nov.?) 1881: the universal U.P.U. rate structure became truly effective with the suppression of the voie de mer (in Nov. 1881).

1c values

The Type I green (Scott 64, Yvert 61) replaced the 1c Ceres (Sc 50, Yv 50), 8 Nov. 1876.3

Domestic usage (existing Tariff of 1 Jan. 1876):

*Newspapers, to 20 gm, within department of origin;4

Additional postage, for increments of 5 gm (printed matter) or 10 gra (newspapers).

Printing: 12.15 million stamps in July and Dec. 1876.

Replaced by Type IIA black on blue, azure, or gray, for adhesive stamps (Sc 86, Yv 83), 16 June 1877. The rare "Prussian blue" (Sc 87, Yv 84) dates from 1880. Stamped wrappers (ACEP No. 1) issued 10 Aug. 1882; other stamped wrappers (No. 4) issued in 1882.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 May 1878):

*Printed matter (within wrappers), to 5 gm;

*Newspapers, to 25 gm, within department of origin;

Additional postage, for increments of 5 gm, up to 20 gm (printed

matter), or of 25 gm (newspapers).

Replaced by Type IIB (same colors) for adhesive stamps, 7 July 1889. Stamped, wrappers (ACEP Nos. 1 and 4) issued prior to 1892; other stamped wrappers (No. 7) issued 1892; and No. 15 was printed Jan. 1898-Feb. 1901 Adhesive stamps replaced by Type IIC, issued 28 Nov. 1900.

No changes in usage.

Replaced by the 1c Blanc (Sc 109, Yv 107), 4 Dec. 1900.

(Note: The Type IIC, in used condition, should be scarcer than Scott 64).

2c values

The Type I green (Sc 65, Yv 62) replaced the 2c Ceres (Sc 51, Yv 51), June 1876.

Domestic usage (existing Tariff of 1 Jan. 1876):

*Printed matter (within wrappers), to 5 gm;

*Newspapers, to 20 gm;

*Political newspapers, to 40 gm, within department of origin.

²—Outside of Europe, only Egypt, Turkey in Asia, Russia in Asia, the U. S., and British India were countries of the "1st level" in July 1876, and the U. S. was saddled with the voie de mer.

³⁻Dates of issue are either official ones or those of earliest known use.

^{4—}These codes will be used hereafter: *=primary or common use, #=continued through succeeding tariff(s).

Printing: about 8.5 million stamps, from May to Sept.? 1876.

Replaced by Type IIA green (Sc 77, Yv 74), 14 Sept. 1876; about 68 million stamps printed from Sept.? to Dec. 1876.

Replaced by Type IIA red-brown on yellow, for adhesive stamps (Sc 88, Yv 85), 2 May 1877.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 May 1878):

*Newspapers, to 25 gm;

*Printed matter (within wrappers), from 5 to 10 gm.

Replaced by Type IIB (same colors) for adhesive stamps, 5 Nov. 1884. Stamped wrappers (ACEP No. 2) issued 10 Aug. 1882; others (No. 5) issued in 1882 and (No. 8) in 1892; No. 16 printed Feb. 1898-Summer 1906.

Replaced by Type IIC (same colors) for adhesive stamps, 3 Aug. 1890; printed 1890-1900. Stamped wrappers (ACEP Nos. 2 and 5) issued prior to 1892; No. 8 issued in 1892.

No changes in usage.

Replaced by the 2c Blanc (Sc 110, Yv 108), 4 Dec. 1900.

3c values

Type II bistre on yellow (Sc 89, Yv 86) issued 1 June 1878; newly created value for domestic use under Tariff of 1 May 1878:

*Newspapers, from 25 to 50 gm;

*Printed matter (within wrappers), from 10 to 15 gm;

#voice de mer surtax on newspapers, printed matter, samples, and invoices, to the colonies (rescinded Nov. 1881).

Printing: 26.286 million stamps between May 1878 and March 1879.

Replaced by Type II gray for adhesive stamps (Sc 97, Yv 87), 10 April 1880; printed 1880-1900. Stamped wrappers in Type II vermilion (ACEP Nos. 3 and 6) issued 19 March 1883; No. 9 issued 1892, suppressed Sept. 1896.

No changes in usage.

Replaced by the 3c Blanc (Sc 111, Yv 109), 4 Dec. 1900.

4c values

The Type I green (Sc 66, Yv 63) replaced the 4c Ceres (Sc 52, Yv 52), 30 Nov. 1876.

Domestic usage (existing Tariff of 1 Jan. 1876):

*Political newspapers, to 40 gm;

*Printed matter (within wrappers), from 10 to 15 gm.

Printing: 13.038 million stamps between May and Dec. 1876.

Replaced by Type II brownish lilac or claret (Sc 90, Yv 88), Sept. 1877.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 May 1878):

Newspapers, from 50 to 75 gm;

Printed matter (within wrappers), from 15 to 20 gm.

Replaced by the 4c Blanc (Sc 112, Yv 110), 4 Dec. 1900.

5c values

The Type IS⁵ green (Sc 67, Yv 64) replaced the 5c Ceres (Sc 53, Yv 53), 27 March 1876.

Usage (existing Tariff of 1 Jan. 1876):

*#Printed matter, from 15 to 50 gm (domestic), and to 50 gm (colonial and foreign of 1st level);

⁵—The primitive form of Type I, called IS by Joany, is coarser textured than the generally fine impressions of the later Type IT.

Printed matter in envelopes, minimum rate (domestic);

#Additional postage for increments of 50 gm, for printed matter and samples (echantillons) (domestic and foreign of 1st level);

#Surtax for merchant-vessel carriage (voie de mer) on postal cards to certain distant overseas destinations (Rescinded Nov. 1881).

Printing: 32.037 million stamps, March?-Oct. 1876.

Replaced by Type IT green (scarce), 1 Dec. 1876; only about 2.0 million stamps printed.

Replaced by Type IIA green (Sc 78, Yv 75), 4 Dec. 1876; about 79.1 million stamps printed between Nov. 1876 and Dec. 1877.

Replaced by Type IIB green, for adhesive stamps, 28 Dec. 1877. Stamped envelopes for visiting cards (ACEP No. 4) issued in 1882.

Usage (Tariff of 1 May 1878):

*#Printed matter (within wrappers), from 20 to 50 gm (domestic), and per 50 gm (foreign of 1st level).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1879):

*Printed matter in envelopes;

*Visiting cards;

*Postal cards "of 5 words".

Other usage (Tariffs of 16 Feb. and 1 April 1879):

Newspapers, per 50 gm (colonial and foreign of 1st level).

Postal stationery replaced by Type IIC; stamped envelopes for printed matter (ACEP No. 8) issued in 1884; stamped envelopes for visiting cards (Nos. 9-11) issued from 1887, and No. 12 was printed in 1898; special form for notification of parcel post delivery (ACEP No. 1) issued April 1886.

Adhesive stamps replaced by Type IIB (Sc 104, Yv 106) and Type IA6 (Sc 105, Yv 102), both in yellow-green, 8 Dec. 1898; intergalvano blocks of Types IIB and IA printed in 1898 and 1899. Stamped envelopes for visiting cards replaced by Type IIC yellow-green in 1898; printed Sept. 1898-Jan. 1901.

(Type IIC, special for stamped envelopes, issued 1 April 1886).

Replaced by Type IIB yellow-green (for adhesive stamps and stamped envelopes) (Sc 104, Yv 106), and by Type IA yellow-green (for adhesive stamps only) (Sc 105, Yv 102), 8 Dec. 1898.

No changes in usage.

Replaced by the 5c Blanc (Sc 113, Yv 111), 4 Dec. 1900.

10c values

The Type IS green (Sc 68, Yv 65) replaced the 10c Ceres (Sc 60, Yv 54), 3 Aug. 1876.

Usage (existing Tariff of 1 Jan. 1876):

*Postal cards (local, and within Paris);

*#Printed matter, from 50 to 100 gm (domestic, colonial, and foreign of 1st level);

#Surtax (voie de mer) on letters (Rescinded Nov. 1881).

Printing: about 18.74 million stamps, June-Aug. 1876.

Replaced by Type IIA green (Sc 79, Yv 76), 5 Dec. 1876; about 3.3 million stamps printed in Dec. 1876.

Replaced by Type IIA black on lilac or violet (Sc 91, Yv 89) for adhesive stamps in Jan. 1877. The following stamped postal cards were imprinted with Type IIB: ACEP No. 40, issued 1 June 1878; No. 42,

^{6—}Type IA, the Type I of 1898, differs in certain minor respects from the original Type I of 1876 (see Joany, 1963, Etude No. 54, for details).

issued Oct. 1878; No. 44, issued July 1879; Nos. 46 and 48, issued in 1881; and No. 56, issued in 1896?

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 May 1878):

*#Postal cards;

Printed matter, from 50 to 100 gm.

Usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1879):

*#Postal cards (domestic, colonial, and foreign of 1st level).

Usage (Tariff of 1 April 1879):

Newspapers and samples (échantillons), to 100 gm (colonial and foreign of 1st level).

Stamped postal cards replaced by Type IIB (specific for stationery); include ACEP Nos. 48A and 49, issued in 1884; No. 50, issued June 1890; Nos. 52 and 53, issued Aug. 1892; No. 54, printed 1894-96, issued Nov. 1894; and No. 56, issued in 1896.

Stamped postal cards replaced by Type IIC (specific for stationery); include No. 55, printed 1896-99, issued Dec. 1896; No. 57, printed in 1898, issued April 1898; and No. 58, printed 1899-1901.

Another type, Type IID, was used for stamped postal card ACEP No. 59, printed during only one week in April 1900.

Adhesive stamps of Type IIA replaced by Type IA in same colors (Sc 103, Yv 103), Feb. 1898; intergalvano blocks of IIA + IA were printed in 1898 and 1399.

No change in usage.

Replaced by the 10c Mouchon ("Rights of Man") (Sc 116a, Yv 112), 4 Dec. 1900.

(Note: The little-used Scott 79 is quite scarce).

15c values

The Type I gray (Sc 69, Yv 66) replaced the 15c Ceres (Sc 61, Yv 55) in May 1876.

Usage (existing Tariff of 1 Jan. 1876):

*#Letters, to 15 gm (local, and within Paris);

*#Postal cards (domestic and special colonial);

*#Samples (échantillons), to 50 gm (domestic);

Printed matter and samples, per 50 gm, via British or French packets to Danish West Indies and Venezuela.

Printing: about 27.5 million stamps, March-June 1876.

Replaced by Type IIA gray (Sc 80, Yv 77), 14 Oct. 1876.

Usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1877):

*#Postal cards (foreign of 1st level).

Printing: about 145 million stamps, between Aug. 1876 and Jan. 1878.

Replaced by Type IIB gray, for adhesive stamps, Feb. 1878; about 39 million stamps printed in Jan.-Feb. 1878.

Replaced by Type IIB gray in Feb. 1878.

Usage (Tariff of 1 May 1878):

*#Letters, to 15 gm (domestic);

*#Postal cards (foreign of 2nd level);

*Postal cards, including voie de mer, to colonies;

*Letter-cards (domestic), from 1886;

Printed matter and newspapers, from 100 to 150 gm (domestic, colonies, and foreign of 1st level).

Replaced by Type IIB blue, for adhesive stamps, 15 June 1878. Stamped postal cards in Type IIB (stamp in black) (ACEP No. 45) issued July 1879, suppressed Oct. 1881, but continued to be used for prepayment of the voie de mer until 1886. Stamped postal cards in Type IIB (stamp in

blue), (Nos. 41 and 43) issued June and Oct. 1878, respectively. Stamped letter-cards of Type IIB (stamp always in blue) (Nos. 1-12) issued from June 1886; others include No. 14, issued in 1888; No. 17, printed Jan.-Feb. 1896; and No. 18, printed in June 1896.

No change in usage.

Replaced by Type IID blue, for adhesive stamps, 8 June 1881. Stamped postal cards in Type IID (ACEP No. 16) issued in 1888? Stamped envelopes in Type IID include Nos. 1-3, issued Oct. 1882; Nos. 1A-3A, issued in 1883, Nos. 5-7, issued in 1884; and No. 15, printed 1898-1900.

Adhesive stamps replaced by Type IID on quadrilled paper (Sc 103, Yv 101), 1 April 1892.

Adhesive stamps replaced by Type IIE on quadrilled paper, 8 March 1894. Type IIF (specific for stationery) introduced in 1894; stamped envelopes include ACEP Nos. 5-7, issued in 1894; and No. 15, printed 1898-1900?; stamped letter-cards include Nos. 19 and 21, issued in 1896; No. 22, printed 1896-97; and No. 24, printed in June 1898.

Adhesive stamps replaced by Type IIG on quadrilled paper, July 1899.

Type IIH (specific for stationery) used for stamped letter-cards (ACEP No. 22a) printed March-June 1898, and (No. 22b) printed June 1898-Nov. 1900.

No change in usage.

Replaced by the 15c Mouchon (Sc 117, Yv 117), 4 Dec. 1900.

(Note: The Type IIB in gray is relatively scarce used; stamped lettercards with Type IIH are fairly difficult to obtain.)

20c values

The Type IS lilac-brown (Sc 70, Yv 67) was issued in August 1876, the reinstated value having been made necessary by the Tariff of 1 Jan. 1876:

*#Postal cards, including voie de mer (colonial and foreign);

*#Samples (échantillons), from 50 to 100 gm (domestic);

Printed matter and samples, per 50 gm, via U. S. packets to Danish West Indies.

Printing: 17.352 million stamps, June-Sept. 1876.

Replaced by Type IT (same color), 22 April 1877; 1.134 million stamps printed Nov. 1876.

Usage (Tariffs of 1 Jan. and 1 April 1879): *Samples, from 50 to 100 gm (domestic);

Letters, to 15 gm, to nearby areas of Belgium, Spain, and Switzerland. The unissued Type IT blue (Sc 71, Yv 73) was printed in Nov. and Dec. 1876 in anticipation of a lowering of the 1 x domestic letter rate from 25c to 20c; 14.1795 million stamps were printed; all were supposedly officially destroyed on 24 Feb. 1880.

The 20c Type II brick-red on green (Sc 98, Yv 96) was issued in Nov. 1884. Normal usage limited to échantillons.

Replaced by the 20c Mouchon (Sc 118, Yv 113), 4 Dec. 1900.

25c values

The Type I ultramarine (Sc 72, Yv 68) replaced the 25c Ceres (Sc 58, Yv 60), 13 May 1876.

Domestic usage (existing Tariff of 1 Jan. 1876):

*Letters, to 15 gm.

Printing: about 20 million stamps, beginning in March 1876.

Replaced by Type IIS ultramarine (Sc 81, Yv 78), 20 July 1876; about 58

million stamps printed June-Sept. 1876; included in printing is the extremely rare Type IS + IIS setenant.

Replaced by Type IIA ultramarine, 30 Oct. 1876; about 215 million stamps printed from Sept. or Oct. 1876 to early 1877.

Replaced by Type IIA blue (Sc 81a, Yv 79) in July 1877; 217.38 million stamps printed June 1877-March 1878.

Usage (Tariff of 1 May 1878):

*#Letters, to 15 gm (foreign of 1st level);

*#Letters, to 15 gm (colonies), including voie de mer.

Replaced by Type IIA black on red (Sc 93, Yv 91), 25 Oct. 1878, 23.034 million stamps printed between July 1878 and March 1879.

Usage (Tariffs of 1 Jan., 16 Feb., and 1 April 1879):

Registry fee (domestic, colonial, and foreign).

Letter-cards (foreign), in 1886.

Replaced by Type IIA yellow or yellowish bistre (Sc 99, Yv 92) in June 1879.

Replaced by Type IIA black on rose for adhesive stamps (Sc 100, Yv 97) in April 1886. Stamped letter-cards, for foreign correspondence, include ACEP Nos. 2, 4, 9, and 11, issued from 1886; No. 15, issued in 1888; No. 20, issued in 1896; and No. 23, printed Feb. 1898-March 1901.

No changes in usage.

Replaced by the 25c Mouchon (Sc 119a, Yv 114), 4 Dec. 1900.

(Note: In decreasing order of scarcity, Scott 72, Type IIS ultramarine, and Scott 93).

30c values

The Type IS brown (Sc 73, Yv 69) replaced the 30c Ceres (Sc 62, Yv 56), 11 June 1876.

Colonies and foreign usage (existing Tariff of 1 Jan. 1876):

*#Letters, to 15 gm (of 1st level) (until 30 April 1878).

Printing: 16.215 million stamps from June to Aug. 1876 (including a few Type IT in Aug.).

Replaced by Type IT brown, 24 Nov. 1876; 24.558 million stamps printed between Feb. 1877 and Feb. 1880.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 May 1878):

*Letters, from 15 to 30 gm.

Replaced by Type II brown (Sc 82a, Yv 80a), 20 Jan. 1881, then by Type II yellow-brown (Sc 82, Yv 80) in 1894.

No change in domestic usage.

Replaced by the 30c Mouchon (Sc 120, Yv 115), 4 Dec. 1900.

35c values

The Type II violet-black on yellow or orange (Sc 94, Yv 93) was issued 1 June 1878; newly-created value made necessary by the Tariff of 1 May 1878:

*#Letters, to 15 gm (foreign of 2nd level), including voie de mer;

#Registered printed matter, from 50 to 100 gm (domestic, colonies, and foreign).

Usage (Tariff of 1 April 1879):

Registry fee, including notification of arrival (domestic, colonies, and foreign).

Printed between 1878 and 1885. Obsolete from Nov. 1881, but retained as a supplementary value.

Suppressed Feb. 1887; extant stock regrouped in Paris; continued in use there until retired in July 1890.

Usage (1887-1890):

Printed matter and samples (supplementary value).

40c values

The Type I orange-red (Sc 74, Yv 70) replaced the 40c Ceres (Sc 59, Yv 38, 5 April 1878.

Usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1877):

*#Letters, to 15 gm (foreign of 2nd level);

#Registered postal cards (foreign of 1st level).

Usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1879):

*#Registered letters, to 15 gm (domestic).

Usage (Tariffs of 16 Feb. and 1 April 1879):

Registered postal cards (colonies, USA and Canada).

Printings: about 3.432 million (mainly or solely Type IS) in July 1876; 6.414 million (both IS and IT) in Feb. 1877; about 2.15 million (mainly IT) in Feb. 1880. Not issued until 1878 because of large remaining stocks of the 40c Ceres.

Replaced by Type II orange-red (Sc 95, Yv 94), 2 Aug. 1881.

No changes in usage.

Replaced by the 40c Merson ("Liberty and Peace") (Sc 121, Yv 119), 4 Dec. 1900.

50c values

The Type II rose or carmine (Sc 101, Yv 98) was issued 1 May 1890, in color of suppressed 75c Sage (Sc 85, Yv 81); newly-created value to comply with U. P. U. regulations.

Foreign usage (existing Tariff of 1 April 1879):

Letters, 15-30 gm;

*Registered letters, to 15 gm.

(A Type II rose on chamois, special for stamped pneumatic postal cards (ACEP No. 1) was in use from 1 May 1879 to April 1880).

Replaced by Type I rose or carmine (Sc 107, Yv 104) in July 1900.

No change in foreign usage.

Replaced by the 50c Merson (Sc 123, Yv 120), 4 Dec. 1900.

75c values

The Type IS carmine (Sc 75, Yv 71) was issued 17 Oct. 1876; newly-created value made necessary by the Tariff of 1 Jan. 1876:

Domestic usage:

*Registered letters, to 15 gm; Letters, from 30 to 50 gm.

Replaced by Type IT carmine, 24 Dec. 1876.

Printings: 7.308 million stamps (mostly IS) between June and August 1876; about 10.711 million (mostly or entirely IT) in March 1877.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 May 1878):

*Registered letters, to 15 gm. (1st level).

(Value rendered obsolete by Tariffs of 1879; retained as a supplementary value.)

Type II black, specific for stamped pneumatic letter-cards (ACEP No. 1), was in use from May 1879 to Jan. 1881.

Adhesive stamp replaced, though without specific usage, by Type II rose or carmine (Sc 83, Yv 81), 17 Oct. 1886; suppressed 7 March 1890.

Type II violet on orange or yellow (Sc 102, Yv 99) issued, without specific usage, 15 Oct. 1890, in colors of the suppressed 35c Sage (Sc 94, Yv 93).

Principal usage: small insured packages.

Suppressed in Sept. 1896.

1F values

The Type IS bronze green (Sc 76, Yv 72) was issued 15 Sept. 1876; newly created high value, without specific use except 4-weights letters to UPU countries.

Possible use (Tariff of 1 July 1876)—registered letter, to 15 gm (special colonial rate), with notification of arrival.

Replaced by Type IT bronze green in Dec. 1876.

Printing: about 15.103 million stamps (about twice as many IT as IS) between June and August 1876.

Replaced by Type II bronze green or olive green (Sc 84, Yv 82), 24 April 1884. Replaced by the 1F Merson (Sc 125, Yv 121), 4 Dec. 1900.

2F value

The Type II bistre on azure (Sc 108, Yv 105) was issued, as a newly created (19 Feb. 1900) high value, on 11 April 1900.

Principal usage: on small insured packages.

Replaced by the 2F Merson violet and yellow (Sc 126, Yv 122), 4 Dec. 1900.

5F value

The Type II violet (Sc 96, Yv 95) replaced the 5F Empire laurée (Sc 37, Yv 33), for high value use, 1 June 1877.

Replaced by Type II rose-lilac (Sc 96a, Yv 95a) in 1891; the 1877 shade was revived in 1899-1900.

Replaced by the 5F Merson (Sc 130, Yv 123), 4 Dec. 1900.

II. The Blanc, Mouchon, and Merson Issues of 1900-1932

A. The Blanc Issue of 1900-1932

Scott type A16

Designed by Joseph Blanc; engraved by E. Thomas

1c

The Type IA gray (Scott 109, Yvert 107) replaced the 1c Sage (Sc 86, Yv 83), 4 Dec. 1900.

Domestic usage (existing Tariff of 1 May 1878):

*Printed matter (within wrapper), to 5 gm;

*Newspapers, to 25 gm, within department of origin;

Additional postage, for increments of 5 gm, up to 20 gm (printed matter), or of 25 gm (newspapers).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 16 April 1906):

*#Newspapers, single rate.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 April 1920):

*Newspapers, to 50 gm;

Newspapers, additional postage, increments of 25 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1? July 1923):

*Newspapers, to 60 gm, special bulk rate.

Summary of flat-plate printings of 1c

| Type | Color | Format | Paper | Printing dates |
|---------------|-------|----------------------------|--------|---------------------|
| IA | gray | sheets (in panes of 150) r | ormal | 12/1900-01, 1913-19 |
| IA | gray | wrappers (ACEP #19, 19A | L) — | 1901-17 |
| IB | gray | sheets | normal | 1901-14, 1916 |
| IB | gray | wrappers (No. 19) | - | 1905, 1906 |
| JA | gray | sheets | GC | 1916-19 |
| \mathbf{IB} | gray | sheets | GC | 1916 |

| 1A | gray | wrappers | (No. 19B) | GC | 1917-19 |
|--------|-------|----------|-----------------|--------|----------------|
| IA, IB | slate | sheets | -ye, 400 | GC | 1919-20 |
| IA | slate | wrappers | (Nos. 22, A, B, | C) — | Summer 1919-32 |
| IA | slate | sheets | | normal | 1921-23 |
| TD | -1-4- | -14- | | | 1000 00 |

Replaced by Type II slate (rotary-plate) (Yv 107a), printed in panes of 100 stamps on normal paper (3 plates), 17 Nov. 1926-5 Jan. 1932; stamped wrappers continued to be mainly of Type IA; some wrappers of Type II (ACEP No. 22C) printed in 1932.

No change in usage.

Replaced by the 1c Sower (Sc 156, Yv 277Aa), August 1933.

1/2 on 1c

Flat plate (I) overprint on Types IA and IB flat-plate sheets (slate on GC paper) (Sc P7, Yv 157), issued in 1919-20; newly-created value for domestic use under Tariff of 1 Jan. 1917:

*Newspapers, single rate, within department of origin.

Replaced by same overprint on Type IA slate on normal paper, in 1922, and on Type IB slate in 1924-26; by same overprint on Type II (rotary) slate, printed between late? 1926 and 11 Sept 1928, issued 1926-28; then by rotary (II) overprint on Type II slate, printed (3 plates) between 2 June 1930 and 26 Feb. 1932, issued 1930-32.

No change in usage throughout life of issue.

Replaced by the ½c on 1c Sower (Sc P8, Yv 279Aa), in 1933.

2e

The Type IA lilac-brown, etc. (Sc 110, Yv 108) replaced the 2c Sage (Sc 88, Yv 85), 4 Dec. 1900.

Domestic usage (existing Tariff of 1 May 1878):

*#Newspapers, to 25 gm;

*Printed matter (within wrappers), from 5 to 10 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Feb. 1907):

*Printed matter (within wrappers), to 15 gm.

(Stamp fulfilled no particular function after the Tariff of 1 Jan. 1917).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 April 1920):

*#Newspapers, from 50 to 75 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1? July 1923):

Newspapers, from 60 to 75 gm (special bulk rate).

| | Summary of flat-plate printings of 2c | | | | | | |
|------|---------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---|--|--|--|
| Туре | Colors | Format | Paper | Printing dates | | | |
| IA | lilac-brown | sheets | normal | 12/1900-02 | | | |
| IA | lilac-brown, etc. wrappers | (ACEP #20 | ,A,B,C) — | 1901-22 | | | |
| IB | lilac-brown, rose-lilac, etc. | sheets | normal | 1903-14 | | | |
| IB | id. | sheets | GC | 1917-20 | | | |
| IA | id. | sheets | GC | 1920 | | | |
| IC | id. | sheets | GC | 1920 | | | |
| IC | id. | sheets | normal | 1920?-23 | | | |
| IB | id. | sheets | normal | 1921-23 | | | |
| IA | id. | sheets | normal | 1922-23 | | | |
| IA | id. wrapp | ers (Nos. 23, | 28) —— | 1924-31 | | | |
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Replaced by Type II lilac-brown, rose-lilac, or red-brown (rotary-plate) (Yv 108b), printed in sheets (4 plates) between 3 May and 28 Oct. 1931, and for stamped wrappers (Nos. 23 and 28) in 1929-31.

No change in usage after 1920 and 1923.

Replaced by the 2c Sower (Sc 157, Yv 278), March 1933.

3c

The Type IA orange (Sc 111, Yv 109) replaced the 3c Sage (Sc 97, Yv 87), 4 Dec. 1900.

Domestic usage (existing Tariff of 1 May 1878):

*Newspapers, from 25 to 50 gm;

*Printed matter (within wrappers), from 10 to 15 gm.

Tariff of 11 Feb. 1907:

*Printed matter (within wrappers), from 15 to 50 gm (domestic).

Tariff of 1 Jan. 1917:

#Printed matter (within wrappers), to 30 gm, special bulk rate (domestic) (continued to March 1924).

Tariff of 1 April 1920:

Newspapers, from 75 to 100 gm (domestic).

Summary of flat-plate printings of 3c

| Type | Color | Format | Paper | Printing dates |
|---------------|------------|------------------|---------------|---------------------|
| IA | orange | sheets | normal | 12/1900 |
| IA | red (Sc 11 | 1a, Yv 109b) | | |
| | | sheets | normal | 1906-07 |
| IA | orange | sheets | normal | 1908 |
| \mathbf{IB} | orange | sheets | normal | 1907-16 |
| IB | orange | sheets | GC | 1917-19 |
| IC | orange | special type for | | |
| | S | tamped wrappers | | 1917-21 |
| IB | orange | sheets | normal | 1920-23 |
| IB | orange | sheets | (Flat plate) | precancel on sheets |
| | | | | issued 7/1923-24) |

Replaced by Type II orange-red (rotary-plate) (Yv 109c), printed in sheets (1 plate) 14-20 May 1930 and 21 Jan.-1 Feb. 1932.

No changes in usage after March 1924.

Replaced by the 3c Sower (Sc 58, Yv 278A), Sept. 1933.

4c

The Type I brown (Sc 112, Yv 110) replaced the 4c Sage (Sc 90, Yv 80), 4 Dec. 1900.

Domestic usage (existing Tariff of 1 May 1878):

Newspapers, from 50 to 75 gm;

Printed matter (within wrappers), from 15 to 20 gm.

Printed in flat plate sheets on normal paper only, until suppressed in 1907. Reissued in 1924 as Type I yellow-brown (Yv 110a), in flat-plate sheets on normal paper, following Tariff of 24 March 1924:

*Printed matter (within wrappers), to 30 gm, special bulk rate (domestic).

Sheets also were issued with flat-plate precancel, in 5/1924-25.

Type II yellow-brown precancelled rotary-plate coils (Yv Préo 40a) printed and issued in July 1924. (This short-lived type was not printed in any other form.)

Suppressed following Tariff of 16 July 1925.

5c

The Type IA yellow-green (Sc 113, Yv 111) replaced the 5c Sage (Sc 105, Yv 102), retaining its color, 4 Dec. 1900.

Usage (existing Tariffs of 1 Jan. and 1 April 1879):

*Printed matter in envelopes (domestic);

*#Visiting cards (domestic);

*#Postal cards "of 5 words" (domestic);

*Printed matter (within wrappers), from 20 to 50 gm (domestic), and to 50 gm (colonies and foreign);

Additional postage for increments of 50 gm, for printed matter and samples (échantillons) (domestic, colonies, and foreign);

Newspapers, to 50 gm (colonies and foreign).

Usage (Tariff of 1 Feb. 1907):

Printed matter (within wrappers), from 50 to 100 gm (doméstic, colonies, and foreign).

Summary of early flat-plate printings of 5c

| Туре | Color | Format and and beautifue; | Printing dates |
|------|-----------------|---|--|
| IA | yellow-green | sheets | 12/1900-02 |
| IA | id. | stamped envelopes (ACEP No. | 16) 1901-02 |
| IA | blue-green | sheets, & stamped envelopes (# | |
| IB | id. | booklets of 40 stamps prin | ted early 1906(?); ssued 1 Dec. 1906? |
| IA | green | sheets | 1906-07 |
| IA | id. | stamped envelopes (No. 17) | 1906 |
| IB (| green (Yv 111a) | booklets of 40 stamps iss w/o pubs (Braun Nos. 1, 2) | sued 1 Dec. 1906-07 |

Replaced by the 5c green Sower (Sc 159, Yv 137), in March? 1907.

Stamp reissued in March 1925(?), replacing the 5c orange Sower (Sc 160, Yv 158).

Usage (Tariff of 24 March 1924):

*#Printed matter (within wrappers), to 20 gm (domestic).

Tariff of 22 Jan. 1926:

Printed matter, to 20 gm, special bulk rate (domestic) (until May 1926).

Summary of later printings of the 5c

| Type | Color | Impression and format Printing dates |
|----------------|----------------|---|
| IC | green | Flat-plate stamped wrappers (No. 25) 1924-25 |
| IIA | green | Rotary sheets 19 Jan. 1925-2 Feb. 1932 |
| | | (12 plates) |
| IIA | | Flat-plate precancel on rotary sheets 10-12(?)/1925 |
| IIA | | Rotary precancel on rotary sheets 9/1925-7/1926 |
| IIB | green | Rotary coils 4/1925 |
| \mathbf{IIB} | | Rotary precan. on rotary coils 5 and 8-1925 |
| Replace | d by the 5c ro | se Sower (Sc 161, Yv 278B), Dec. 1934. |

71/2C

The Type II lilac (Sc 114, Yv Préo 42) issued as a newly created value for domestic use under Tariff of 1 May 1926:

Printed matter, to 20 gm, special bulk rate.

Issued only in rotary-plate precancelled sheets, printed from 1 plate, 24-28 July 1926, and issued early in Aug. 1926; precancelled rotary coils were printed, but not in time to be issued.

Rendered obsolete by Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926 and suppressed.

10c

The Type II violet (Sc 115, Yv 233) replaced the 10c green Sower (Sc 163, Yv 159) in June 1929.

⁻The 5c Blanc was not printed during the period of GC papers.

Domestic usage (existing Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926):

*Printed matter, to 20 gm, special bulk rate:

*Printed matter, to 10 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate.

Issued in rotary-plate sheets printed (3 plates) between 14 Jan. 1929 and 13
March 1931; in precancelled rotary sheets, printed (4 plates) between
4 April 1929 and 19 April 1932; and in precancelled rotary coils (no
apparent difference in type between sheet and coil stamps), in 1929.
Replaced by the 10c ultramarine Sower (Sc 164, Yv 279), Oct. 1932.

B. The Mouchon Issues of 1900-1903

Scott type A17-designed and engraved by Louis-Eugène Mouchon.

Scott type A19-design retouched in 1902 by Mouchon.

All values printed only in flat plate sheets of 150 stamps and on postal stationery

10c

The 10c rose replaced the 10c Sage (Scott 106, Yvert 103), 4 Dec. 1900. Usage (existing Tariffs of 1878 and 1879):

*Postal cards (domestic, colonies, and foreign);

Printed matter, from 50 to 100 gm (domestic);

Newspapers and samples (échantillons), to 100 gm (colonies and foreign).

Type I (Sc 116a, Yv 112) adhesive stamps issued Dec. 1900.

Type II (Sc 116, Yv 116) adhesive stamps printed Dec. 1900-01, issued Jan. 1901; stamped postal cards of Type II (ACEP Nos. 61 and 62) printed in 1901-02.

Replaced by retouched design in rose-red (Sc 133, Yv 124) in June 1902. Adhesive stamps and stamped postal cards (Nos. 63 and 64) printed in 1902-03. Replaced by the 10c lined Sower (Sc 138, Yv 129) in May 1903.

15c

The 15c orange, Type II (Sc 117, Yv 117) replaced the 15c Sage (Sc 103, Yv 101), 4 Dec. 1900.

Domestic usage (existing Tariff of 1 May 1878):

*Letters, to 15 gm;

*Letter-cards:

Printed matter, from 100 to 150 gm.

Foreign usage (Tariffs of 1879):

Printed matter and newspapers, from 100 to 150 gm (colonies and foreign).

Adhesive stamps, printed from three matrices, not differentiated into subtypes, in 1900-02; stamped letter-cards (Nos. 25-27) and envelopes (Nos. 18-21) printed and issued in 1901-02; sheets surcharged F.M. (Sc M1, Yv Franchise 1) in 1901-02.

Replaced by retouched design in red or vermilion (Sc 134, Yv 125) in Dec. 1902. Adhesive stamps printed in 1902-03; sheets overprinted F.M. (Sc M2, Yv Franchise 2) in 1903; stamped letter-cards (Nos. 28 and 30) printed in 1902-03; stamped envelopes (Nos. 23 and 24) printed in March 1903.

Replaced by the 15c lined Sower (Sc 139, Yv 130) in April 1903.

20c

The 20c lilac brown, Type I (Sc 118, Yv 113) replaced the 20c Sage (Sc 98, Yv 96), 4 Dec. 1900.

Domestic usage (existing Tariffs of 1876 and 1878):

Samples (échantillons), from 50 to 100 gm;

Printed matter, from 150 to 200 gm.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 April 1879):

Letters, to 15 gm to nearby areas of Belgium, Spain and Switzerland Printed in 1900 only, and replaced by retouched design in same color (Sc 135, Yv 126) in May 1902.

Retouched stamp printed in 1902 only, and replaced by the 20c lined Sower (Sc 140, Yv 131) in late June 1903.

25c

The 25c blue in Type I (Sc 119a, Yv 114) replaced the 25c Sage (Sc 100, Yv 97), 4 Dec. 1900.

Usage (existing Tariffs of 1879):

Letters, to 15 gm (foreign);

Registry fee (domestic, colonies, and foreign);

Letter-cards (foreign).

Type I printed in 1900 only; Type II (Sc 119, Yv 118) printed in 1900-01, issued Feb. 1901; the blue-black shade of Type II is from an early printing.

Replaced by retouched design in same color (Sc 136, Yv 127) in July 1902.

Adhesive stamps and stamped letter-cards (No. 29) printed in 1902-03.

Replaced by the 25c lined Sower (Sc 141, Yv 132) in late April 1903.

30c

The 30c violet, Type I (Sc 120, Yv 115) replaced the 30c Sage (Sc 82, Yv 80), 4 Dec. 1900.

Domestic usage (existing Tariff of 1 May 1878):

Letters, from 15 to 30 gm.

Printed in 1900 only, and replaced by retouched design in same color (Sc 137, Yv 128), in April 1902.

Printed in 1902 only, and replaced by the 30c lined Sower (Sc 142, Yv 133), in late June 1903.

C. Merson Issue of 1900-1929

Scott type A18

Designed by Luc-Olivier Merson, engraved by A. Thévenin.

All values printed only in flat plate sheets of 75 stamps.

40c

The 40c Merson, in shades of rose or red, and gray-blue and gray (Sc 121, Yv 119), replaced the 40c Sage (Sc 95, Yv 94), 4 Dec. 1900.

Usage (existing Tariffs of 1879):

*Registered letters, to 15 gm (domestic);

Registered postal cards (to colonies).

Printed from 1900 to 1906; lowering of 1879-1906 registered letter rate from 40c to 35c, by the Tariff of 16 April 1906, resulted in limited use and cessation of printing. Remainders were used, chiefly as follows, until 1917:

Domestic usage (Tariff of 16 April 1906):

Letters, from 45 to 60 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 May 1910):

Registered letters, from 20 to 50 gm.

Reissued in 1917 and printed until 1924; on GC paper in 1918.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1917):

*Registered letters, to 15 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 April 1920):

Letters, from 20 to 50 gm.

Usage (Tariff of 24 March 1924):

Registry fee, for other than letters and parcels.

Replaced by 40c olive-brown Sower (Sc 177, Yv 193) in 1925.

45

The 45c Merson, in shades of green or olive, and blue (Sc 122, Yv 143), issued 8 Nov. 1906; newly-created value made necessary for domestic use by the Tariff of 16 April 1906:

*Registered letters, from 15 to 30 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 April 1920):

#Printed matter, from 200 to 300 gm.

Usage (Tariffs of 24 March and 1 April 1924):

Postal cards (foreign);

Letters, from 20 to 50 gm (domestic);

Printed matter, from 100 to 150 gm (foreign).

Printed from 1906 to 1923; on GC paper in 1919; precancelled (flat plate) (Yy Préo 44) on normal postwar paper, Sept. 1922-23.

Replaced by the 45c Pasteur (Sc 190, Yv 175) in August 1924.

50c

The 50c Merson, in shades of brown and gray (Sc 123, Yv 120), replaced the 50c Sage (Sc 107, Yv 104), 4 Dec. 1900.

Foreign usage (existing Tariff of 1 April 1879):

*Registered letters, to 15 gm.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 April 1910):

*Registered letters, to 20 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 April 1920):

Letters, from 50 to 100 gm.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 April 1921):

*Letters, to 20 gm.

Registry fee.

Printed on normal paper in 1900-16; on GC paper in 1917-20.

Replaced by the 50c blue lined Sower (Sc 144, Yv 161) in 1921.

60c

Newly-created value, in violet and blue (Sc 124, Yv 144), issued in June 1920, having been made necessary by the Tariff of 1 April 1920:

*Registered letters, to 20 gm (domestic).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 24 March 1924):

Letters, from 50 to 100 gm;

Registry fee.

Printed in 1920-24, and replaced by the 60c violet Sower (Sc 148, Yv 200) in 1924.

1F

The 1F Merson, in shades of claret or carmine, and olive (Sc 125, Yv 121), replaced the 1F Sage (Sc 84, Yv 82), 4 Dec. 1900.

Used as a supplementary high value until the Tariff of 1 April 1921:

*Registered letters, to 20 gm (foreign).

Exprès (Special Delivery) fee (domestic and foreign).

The Tariff of 1 April 1924 again rendered it a supplementary value; continued to serve for domestic special delivery fee.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 17 July 1925):

*Letters, to 20 gm;

Registry fee.

Printed on normal paper in 1900-13 and 1920-26; on GC paper in 1917-19.

Overprinted in 1923 for the Philatelic Congress of Bordeaux (Sc 197, Yv 182).

Replaced by the 1F Pasteur (Sc 194, Yv 179) in 1925, but "coexisted" to 1926.

2F

The 2F violet and yellow Merson (Sc 126, Yv 122) replaced the 2F Sage (Sc 108, Yv 105), 4 Dec. 1900.

Printed in 1900 only and used as a supplementary high value; need for value diminished in 1906 and again in 1910, but it remained in use until supplies were exhausted.

The 2F Merson, in shades of orange and blue-green (Sc 127, Yv 145), issued 4 June 1920, as a supplementary high value.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 17 July 1925):

*Registered letters, to 20 gm.

Special Delivery fee.

The Tariff of 1 May 1926 raised foreign rates and left this value without specific usage.

Printed in 1920-29; overprinted for airmail use (Sc C1, Yv PA1) in 1927, and for the LeHavre Philatelic Expo. (Sc 246, Yv 257A) in 1929.

Replaced by the 2F Sower (Sc 184, Yv 239) early in 1931.

3F

The 3F violet and blue Merson (Sc 128, Yv 206) was issued in July 1925. newly-created supplementary high value.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1926):

*Registered letters, to 20 gm.

Special Delivery fee.

Printed in 1925-26, and replaced by the 3F Merson, in shades of lilac, and carmine or deep red (Sc 129, Yv 240), 20 Aug. 1927.

No change in usage.

Printed in 1927-29, and replaced by the 3F Reims Cathedral (Sc 247, etc., Yv 259, etc.), 17 Nov. 1930.

5F

The 5F Merson, in shades of blue, and chamois or olive (Sc 130, Yv 123), replaced the 5F Sage (Sc 96a, Yv 95a), 4 Dec. 1900.

Printed in 1900-02 and reprinted in 1922-29; "black-blue" and olive shade dates from 1922-23; used only as a supplementary high value.

Replaced by the 5F Mont St.-Michel (Sc 249, Type I, Yv 260a, Type II) in Feb. 1930.

10F

The 10F green and red Merson (Sc 131, Yv 207) was issued in August 1926 as a newly-created supplementary high value.

Printed in 1926-27, and replaced by the 10F La Rochelle (Type I) (Sc 251, Yv 261b), in July 1929.

20F

The 20F rose-lilac and green Merson (Sc 132, Yv 208) was issued in Aug. 1926 as a newly-created supplementary high value.

Printed in 1926 only, and replaced by the 20F Pont du Gard (Sc 253, Type I, Yv 262A, Type II), in May 1929.

III. The Sower Issues of 1903-1938

A. The Lined Sower Issue of 1903-1938

Scott type A20

Designed by Louis-Oscar Roty; engraved by Louis-Eugène Mouchon

10c

The 10c rose (Scott 138, Yvert 129) replaced the 10c retouched Mouchon (Sc 133, Yv 112), 6 May 1903.

Usage (existing Tariffs of 1 Jan., and 1 April 1879):

*#Postal cards (domestic, colonies, and foreign);

#Samples (échantillons), to 100 gm (colonies and foreign);

Printed matter, from 50 to 100 gm (domestic, colonies, and foreign)

Type I adhesive stamps, from flat plate sheets of 150 stamps, printed and
issued in 1903; remainders issued in Ian 1906,07 Stamped postal cards

issued in 1903; remainders issued in Jan. 1906-07. Stamped postal cards (ACEP No. 65) printed Oct. 1903-Oct. 1906, issued from 1904; with prepaid reply (No. 66), printed in 1904 and 1905, and (No. 68) issued 1906.

Replaced by Type II in early 1904. Flat plate adhesive stamps printed and issued in early 1904; remainders issued in 1906-07.

Replaced by Type III in 1904. Flat plate adhesive stamps printed and issued late 1904-06; color changed to carmine-rose in 1905 and again in 1906. Domestic usage (Tariff of 16 April 1906):

*Letters, to 15 gm.

Stamped envelopes (ACEP Nos. 41-46) and letter-cards (No. 46) of Type III printed Summer 1905-Fall 1906, issued April 1906; stamped envelopes w/o dates (Nos. 47 and 48) printed in 1907. Adhesive stamps of 1905-06 printings overprinted F.M. (Franchise Militaire), issued July 1906-Aug. 1907.

Adhesive stamps replaced in April 1906 by the 10c Sower with Ground (Sc 155, Yv 134); printings resumed (until Nov. 1906) during hiatus between the Sower with Ground and the Sower with thin inscriptions (Sc 162b, Yv 135).

15c

The 15c green (Sc 139, Yv 130) replaced the 15c retouched Mouchon (Sc 134, Yv 125) 2 April 1903.

Domestic usage (existing Tariff of 1 May 1878):

*Letters, to 15 gm;

*Letter-cards:

#Printed matter, from 100 to 150 gm.

Type I gray-green, from flat plate sheets, printed and issued in 1903-06; stamped envelopes (ACEP Nos. 25 and 26) printed and issued March 1904-05; stamped letter-cards (No. 31) printed Jan. 1904-Jan. 1906, issued April 1904-06.

Type II gray-green (moderately scarce), from flat plate sheets, printed in 1903 only; some stamped letter-cards of 1904-05 (No. 31) are of this

type.

Type III gray-green (scarce), printed only in 1904, as flat plate adhesive stamps,

Type IV gray-green, from flat plate sheets, printed in 1904-06; overprinted F.M. in 1904-05, issued July 1904-July 1906.

Left temporarily without major usage by domestic Tariff of 16 April 1906: Domestic usage: Samples, to 50 gm.

⁻Storch and Françon (1973)

Foreign usage, Tariff of 4 Oct. 1907:

Letters, to 15 gm (for adjoining areas of Spain).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 May 1910):

Letters, from 20 to 50 gm (no further printings, hence only remainders, chiefly Type IV, were used).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Jan 1917):

*Letters, to 20 gm;

*Letter-cards:

*Postal cards:

Printed matter, from 100 to 150 gm:

Registry fee, for other than letters and parcels.

Type IV, in varied shades of olive-green and dark green, printed in flat plate sheets on ordinary paper in 1916 and on GC paper in 1916-19, issued 1917-24; paste-up coils (very rare) from flat-plate sheets on yellowish paper of good quality, printed and issued 1917-18. Stamped lettercards (No. 50) printed Jan. 1917-Spring 1918.

Type I resurrected for stamped letter-cards (No. 50) printed in 1918, and for stamped envelopes (Nos. 65-69), printed late 1917 to Fall 1919.

Type V, chiefly in shades of olive-green, created for flat plate booklets of 29 and 40 stamps, and printed on GC paper, from Jan. 1917 to 1919 (1920 booklets of 20, on normal paper, are very rare); stamped postal cards (No. 74) printed July 1917-Fall 1919; stamped letter-cards (No. 51) printed Feb. 1919-Feb. 1920.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 April 1920):

Printed matter, from 50 to 100 gm;

#Postal cards "of 5 words" (until June 1922);

Invoices ("factures") and other commercial paper, unsealed, to 20 gm.

Type IV adhesive stamps, in pale green, printed in 1920-24; flat plate precancelled POSTES PARIS (Yv Préo 25, 28, 31) in 1920-22, and POSTES FRANCE (Yv Préo 34, 37) in 1921-22; chiefly on remainders on GC paper and on later normal paper; flat plate precancelled (with familiar concentric arcs) (Yv Préo 45) on sheets of 1921-24 printings, and issued from Sept. 1922 to 1924.

Type VI gray-green rotary-plate coils (rare) printed in 1923, probably is-

sued from March 1924.

Usage (Tariffs of 24 March and 1 April 1924):

Postal cards (domestic);

Postal cards "of 5 words" (foreign);

Printed matter, to 50 gm (foreign).

Replaced by the 15c Pasteur (Sc 186, Yv 171) in Sept. 1924.

20c

The 20c violet-brown (Sc 140, Yv 131) replaced the 20c retouched Mouchon (Sc 135, Yv 126), 27 or 29 June 1903.

Domestic usage (Existing Tariff of 1878):

Printed matter and samples (échantillons), from 150 to 200 gm.

Printed only in flat plate sheets, from 1903 to 1906; the deep chocolate brown shade dates from 1906.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 16 April 1906):

*Letters, from 15 to 30 gm.

Replaced by the 20c cameo Sower (Sc 166, Yv 139) in Dec. 1907.

The 25c blue (Sc 141, Yv 132), replaced the 25c retouched Mouchon (Sc 136,

Yv 127) 28 or 30 April 1903.

Usage (existing Tariff of 1 Jan. 1879):

*Letters, to 15 gm (foreign);

*Letter-cards (foreign);

Registry fee (domestic, colonies, and foreign).

Printed in flat plate sheets from April 1903 to 1906; an ultramarine shade dates from 1903; deep blue and "black-blue" (latter rare) shades printed in 1906; stamped letter-cards (ACEP No. 32) printed in 1904, issued April 1904, suppressed 24 June 1906, but not retired officially until Dec. 1909.

Replaced by the 25c cameo Sower (Sc 168, Yv 140) in June 1907.

30c

The 30c violet (Sc 142, Yv 133) replaced the 30c retouched Mouchon (Sc 137, Yv 128) 27 June 1903.

Domestic usage (existing Tariff of 1 May 1878):

*Letters, from 15 to 30 gm.

Printed only in flat plate sheets, from June 1903 to 1906; deep violet shade printed in 1906.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 16 April 1906):

Letters, from 30 to 45 gm.

Replaced by the 30c cameo Sower (Sc 170, Yv 141) in May 1907.

45c

The 45c violet (Sc 143, Yv 197) replaced the 45c Pasteur (Sc 190, Yv 175) early in 1927(?).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926):

*Printed matter and échantillons, from 100 to 200 gm.

Printed only in rotary-plate sheets of 100 stamps (3 plates) from 29 Oct. 1926 to 14 April 1932; in violet from Oct. 1926 to 1927 and in 1929, in deep violet in 1928-29, and in lilac in 1931-32; rotary precancels (Yv Préo 46) printed from all 3 plates between 21 Jan. 1927 and 17 Feb. 1931.

Replaced by the 45c Laurens ("Peace") (Sc 266, Yv 282) in March 1933.

50c

The 50c blue (Sc 144, Yv 161) replaced the 50c Merson (Sc 123, Yv 120) in 1921.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 April 1921):

*Letters, to 20 gm;

Registry fee.

Printed in flat plate sheets of Type I from June 1921 until later that year; paste-up coils from sheets also issued.

Replaced by the 50c Pasteur (Sc 191, Yv 176) in May 1923.

The 50c olive-green (Sc 145, Yv 198) replaced the above Pasteur in late 1925(?).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 17 July 1925):

*Letters, from 20 to 50 gm;

Registry fee, for other than letters and parcels.

Rendered temporarily obsolete by Decree of 22 Jan. 1926

Type I printed in flat plate sheets in late 1925 and early 1926. In conjunction with Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926, emergency printings were made of Type IIA, from rotary plates (3 plates), 29 July to 24 Aug. 1926.

Domestic usage:

*Letters, to 20 gm.

The stamp was replaced, 25 Aug. 1926, by a similar one in red, the normal

color for single-rate domestic letters (Sc 146, Yv 199).

The 50c red, printed and used primarily, during its entire existence, for singlerate domestic letters, was relatively long-lived, and comes in many types.

Type I, for flat-plate booklets of 20 stamps (with pubs), was printed and is-

sued from Aug. 1926 to 1928.

Type IIA was printed in rotary-plate sheets (53 plates) from 25 Aug. 1926 to 27 June 1932; the orange-red shade dates from 1928-29; carton paper (rare) was used briefly in 1929; overprinted F.M. (Sc M6, Yv 6) in late 1928 and March 1931; overprinted for the Congrès du B. I. T. (Sc 256, Yv 264) in April 1930; rotary-plate booklets of 20 stamps (with pubs) printed from June 1931 to 1932; stamped letter-cards (ACEP No. 54) printed in 1930-32.

Type IIB, for flat-plate booklets of 10 and 20 stamps (with pubs), was printed from June 1928 to 1930; this type was used for stamped envelopes (No. 73) issued in 1928 and stamped letter-cards (No. 54) in 1929-30.

Type III, in deep red, for rotary coils, was printed late in 1926.

Type IV, in deep red, for rotary-plate booklets of 20 stamps (with and without pubs), was printed between Jan. 1929 and June 1931; this type was used for stamped letter-cards (No. 54) printed in 1927-30.

Additional usage:

*Letter-cards (domestic);

Postal cards to Luxembourg, from 1 May 1928;

Postal cards to Canada, from 4 Sept. 1929.

Printings of the 50c red were interrupted Feb.-June 1929, in favor of the 50c Jeanne d'Arc (Sc 245, Yv 257), and Oct. 1930-Sept. 1931, for the 50c Expo. Coloniale ("Fachi") (Sc 260, Yv 272).

Replaced by the 50c Laurens (Sc 267, Yv 283) in Sept. 1932.

The 50c turquoise (Sc 147, Yv 362) replaced the above 50c Laurens in 1938.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 12 July 1937):

*Invoices, unsealed, to 20 gm.

Printed in rotary-plate sheets of Type IIA (3 plates) between 26 Jan. and 13 Dec. 1938.

Usage (Tariff of 17 Nov. 1938):

Complementary value.

Replaced by the 50c blue Mercure (Sc 364, Yv 414A) in June 1939.

60c

The 60c violet (Sc 148, Yv 200) replaced the 60c Merson (Sc 124, Yv 144) in 1924.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 24 March 1924):

Letters, from 50 to 100 gm:

Registry fee.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 17 July 1925):

*Postal cards.

Printed in rotary plate sheets (1 plate) from 30 May 1924 to 23 June 1925; value became obsolete following Tariff of 1 Feb. 1926. but could be used, from that date, for single-rate letters and postal cards to nearby destinations in Belgium, Spain, and Switzerland.

50c/60c

Overprinted (Sc 229, Yv 223) by flat plate on remainders of above 60c violet, following domestic Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926, to meet the large need for the single-weight letter rate; about 20 million stamps issued in July 1927.

55c/60c

Special precancel overprint (Sc 236, Yv Préo 47), applied by flat plate on the 60c violet in Aug. 1926, for franking the Fall catalog of the Louvre department store; about 1.2 million were so overprinted. Because the domestic Tariff of 9 Aug. had intervened and the rate—for printed matter and échantillons, from 200 to 300 gm—had been increased to 65c, an additional 10c stamp was required for this special mailing.

650

The 65c rose (Sc 149, Yv 201) was printed in rotary-plate sheets (1 plate) 22 Sept.-22 Nov. 1924, and issued in Oct. 1924; newly-created value following Tariff of 24 March 1924:

Domestic usage:

Letters, to 20 gm, incl. COD service charge (recouvrements).

Rendered obsolete following Tariff of 17 July 1925.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 May 1926):

Letters, from 20 to 50 gm (stamp, however, was not reprinted).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926):

Printed matter and échantillons, from 200 to 300 gm.

Some remainders were precancelled by flat plate (Yv Préo 48), from Sept. 1926 to 1927, for above service.

Replaced by the 65c olive-green (Sc 150, Yv 234) in early 1927.

Printed in rotary-plate sheets (2 plates) between 23 Nov. 1926 and 16 June 1931; rotary-plate precancels (Yv Préo 49) printed between 26 Jan. 1927 and 11 Feb. 1930, and again 6-15 Jan. 1932.

Replaced by the 65c violet-brown Laurens (Sc 270, Yv 284) in Nov. 1933.

50c/65c

Overprinted (Sc 230, Yv 224) by flat plate on remainders of the 65c rose (see 50c/60c, above); about 55 million stamps issued in Aug. 1927.

75c

The 75c rose-lilac (Sc 151, Yv 202) replaced the 75c Pasteur (Sc 192, Yv 177) in Nov. 1926.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926):

*Letters, from 20 to 50 gm.

Foreign usage:

Letters, to 20 gm, to Luxembourg, from 1 May 1928:

Letters, to 20 gm, to Canada, from 4 Sept. 1929.

Type I, for rotary-plate sheets, printed (8 plates) from 10 Nov. 1926 to 6 Aug. 1931. Type II (rare), for rotary-plate sheets, and probably planned for a relatively long period of issue, printed (1 plate) only during 19-21 May 1932, then retired.

Replaced by the 75c Laurens (Sc 272, Yv 284A) in Sept. 1932.

80c

The 80c red (Sc 152, Yv 203) was printed in rotary-plate sheets (1 plate), 13-24 Oct. 1925, the value having been reestablished (for the first time since 1876!) by the Tariff of 17 July 1925:

Usage:

Letters, to 20 gm, incl. charge for recouvrements (COD) (domestic); Printed matter, from 150 to 200 gm (foreign).

Suppressed following Tariff of 1 May 1926.

50c/80c

Overprinted (Sc 232, Yv 220) by flat plate on remainders of above stamp (see 50c/60c, above); about 9 million stamps issued in Jan. 1927.

85c

The 85c red (Sc 153, Yv 204) was printed in rotary plate sheets (1 plate) from 10 June to 31 July 1924; newly-created value for domestic use following Tariff of 24 March 1924:

*Registered letters, to 20 gm.

Suppressed following Tariff of 17 July 1925.

50c/85c

Overprinted (Sc 233, Yv 221) by flat plate on remainders of above stamp (see 50c/60c, above); about 22 million stamps issued in Feb. 1927.

1F

The 1F blue (Sc 154, Yv 205) replaced the 1F Pasteur (Sc 194, Yv 179) in August 1926.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 May 1926:

#Registry fee; Express fee.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926):

Letters, from 50 to 100 gm.

Printed in rotary-plate sheets (6 plates) between 2 July 1926 and 25 July 1932 Replaced by the 1F orange Laurens (Sc 277, Yv 286) in March 1933.

B. The Sower "with Ground" Issue of 1906

Scott type A21

Design modified and engraved by Mouchon.

10c

The 10c red (Sc 155, Yv 134), the only stamp issued in this design, replaced the 10c lined Sower (Sc 138, Yv 129), 13 April 1906.

Usage (Tariff of 16 April 1906):

*Letters, to 15 gm (domestic);

*Postal cards (domestic and foreign).

Approximately 2 million stamps were printed from Plate I, during 10-25 April 1906; about 28 million more were printed from Plate II (clearer design), 26 April-July 1906, and issued beginning 17 May 1906.

Replaced by the 10c red Sower with thin inscriptions (Sc 162b, Yv 135), beginning 28 July 1906.

C. The Sower "with thin inscriptions" Issues of 1906-1927 Design modified and engraved by Mouchon.

10c red

The 10c red (Sc 162b, Yv 135) replaced the Sower with ground (Sc 155, Yv 134), 28 July 1906.

Usage (Tariff of 16 April 1906):

*Letters, to 15 gm (domestic);

*Letter-cards (domestic);

*Postal cards (domestic and foreign).

Type I, for flat plate sheets, printed 13-28 July 1906 (55 million stamps printed) and issued on final day of printing only; some stamped lettercards (ACEP No. 47), printed July 1906, are of this type.

Type IIA (plate retouched by Mouchon), for flat plate sheets, printed from 15 Sept. 1906 to 2 Feb. 1907 and first issued 26 Oct. 1906; other letter-cards (No. 48A), printed Aug.-Oct. 1906, are of this type.

Type IIB, specific for stamped letter-cards (No. 48B), printed Dec. 1906-

March 1907.

Type III, for flat plate booklets of 20 (without pubs), printed from Nov.?

1906 to 1907?, issued 1 Dec. 1906; stamped postal cards (No. 69) of this type printed Nov. 1906-July 1907, issued late in 1907.

Replaced by the 10c red cameo Sower (Sc 162, Yv 138), Sept. 1907.

10c green

The 10c green (Sc 163a, Yv 188, 188A), in Type IIB, for "private" booklets of 10 stamps (with pubs), were printed in May 1926 (pubs Minéraline) and March 1927 (pubs Phéna), for free distribution to physicians by the above-named firms. Those few examples that saw postal service would have been used in multiples or in combination with other stamps, as there was no extant rate other than for bulk mailings of printed matter.

35c violet

The 35c violet (Sc 175b, Yv 136) was issued 8 Nov. 1906, value having been resurrected by the Tariff of 16 April 1906:

Domestic usage:

*Registered letters, to 15 gm.

Types I and II, for flat plate sheets, printed in 1906; 1.5 million stamps of Type I printed in July; 11.3 million stamps of Type II printed in Sept. Replaced by the 35c violet cameo Sower (Sc 175, Yv 142) in 1907.

III. D. The Cameo Sower Issue of 1907-1938

Scott type A22

Original engraving by Lhomme; reengraved by Mouchon; retouched by Lhomme later by Guillemain.

1c

The 1c olive-bistre (Scott 156, Yvert 277A) replaced the 1c slate Blanc (Sc 109, Yv 107a) in August 1933.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1? July 1923):

*Newspapers, to 60 gm, special bulk rate.

Printed in rotary-plate sheets of 100 stamps to the pane (3 plates) between 20 Feb. 1933 and 14 May 1936; stamped wrappers w/o date (ACEP No. 30) printed in 1932, and with dates (No. 31) in 1934-37.

Replaced in July 1936 by yellow-brown shade (Yv 277B) for adhesive stamps printed (2 plates) 25-26 March 1936 and between 6 July 1936 and 25 Feb. 1938.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 12 July 1937):

*Newspapers, to 75 gm, special bulk rate within department of origin;

Complementery value.

Replaced by the 1c Mercure (Sc 353, Yv 404) in May 1939, but not retired officially until 15 May 1941.

1/2c on 1c

Rotary-plate overprint (Sc P8, Yv 279A, B) on sheets of above olive-bistre stamp, printed between 11 April 1933 and 21 Jan. 1936, issued Dec. 1933-1936, and of above yellow-brown stamp, printed between 26 Jar. and 22 June 1937, issued May-Aug. 1937. Replaced the ½c on 1c Blanc (Sc P7, Yv 157a) in 1933.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1917):

*Newspapers, single rate, within department of origin.

Suppressed Sept. 1937, following Tariff of 12 July 1937.

2c

The 2c deep green (Sc 157, Yv 278) replaced the 2c Blanc (Sc 110, Yv 108b) in March 1933.

Domestic usage (Tariffs of 1 April 1920 and 1? July 1923):

Newspapers, from 50 to 75 gm;

*Newspapers, from 60 to 75 gm, special bulk rate.

Printed in rotary-plate sheets (8 plates) between 18 Oct. 1932 and 6 Jan. 1938; stamped wrappers (No. 32) printed in 1932-37.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1937):

Newspapers, to 75 gm, special bulk rate.

Replaced by the 2c Mercure (Sc 354, Yv 405) in March 1939.

20

The 3c orange-red (Sc 158, Yv 278A) replaced the 3c Blanc (Sc 111, Yv 109c) in Sept. 1933.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 April 1920):

Newspapers, from 75 to 100 gm.

Printed only as rotary-plate adhesive stamps (2 plates) between 28 March 1933 and 27 Sept. 1937.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 12 July 1937):

Newspapers, to 60 gm, special bulk rate.

Left without specific use by Tariff of 1 Sept. 1937 and suppressed.

5c green; orange

The 5c deep green (Sc 159, Yv 137) replaced the 5c Blanc (Types IA and IB) (Sc 113, Yv 111,a) in March (or June) 1907.

Usage (Tariff of 1 Feb. 1907):

#*Printed matter (within wrappers), from 50 to 100 gm (domestic, colonies, and foreign);

#Printed matter (in open envelopes), to 100 gm (id.);

#*Visiting cards (domestic).

Usage (Tariff of 1 May 1910):

*Postal cards "of 5 words" (domestic, colonies, and foreign).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1917):

#*Printed matter, to 50 gm.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 April 1921):

Printed matter, to 50 gm, special bulk rate.

| | | Summary of printings | | |
|-------|---|--|--------|--|
| Type | Color | Format | Paper | Printing dates |
| I | deep green | flat-plate sheets | normal | 3/1907-1910 |
| | of the might after | panes of 150 | | |
| I | greenish blue | id. | id. | 1910 (rare) |
| I | bluish green | id. | id. | 1910-13 |
| I | yellowish green | id. | id. | 1913-14 |
| I | green (Yv 137a) | id. | id. | 1914-16, 1920-21 |
| I | green (shades) | id. | GC | 1916-20 |
| I | id. (id.) | POSTES PARIS | GC | on sheets of |
| | | precancels | and | 1916-21 print- |
| end b | | (Yv Préo 24, 26) | nor- | ings; issued |
| | | | mal | 1 Oct. 1920-1921 |
| I | (corresponding to sheet stamps of same years) | vert. and horiz. coils from sheets | normal | printed bet. 1908 and 1914; issued bet. 1912 and 1920? (rare) |
| I | deep green | booklets of 40 w/o pubs (Braun Nos. 10, 11) | id. | 3/1907-10 |

| I | green (shades) | stamped envelopes for visiting cards | - | 1907-14 | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|---------|-------------------------|--|--|
| | | (ACEP Nos. 51, 52) | | | | |
| IIA | id. (Yv 137b) | booklets of 40 w/o pubs | normal | 1910 | | |
| | | (Braun 12, 15, 17) | | 1916?, 1921 | | |
| IIA | id. | id. | GC | 1916-19 or | | |
| | | (Braun 14-16) | | 1920? | | |
| Replac | ced by the 5c orange | (Sc 160, Yv 158), 15 Jul | y 1921: | | | |
| Type | Color | Format | Paper | Printing dates | | |
| I | orange | flat-plate sheets | normal | 7/1921-24 | | |
| I | id. | POSTES PARIS and | id. | on sheets of 1921 | | |
| | | POSTES FRANCE | | printings; issued | | |
| | | precancels | | 1 Oct. 1921-22 | | |
| | | (Yv Préos 30, 33, 36) | | (POSTES PARIS | | |
| | | | | issued earlier? | | |
| | | | | in 1921) | | |
| I | id. | flat-plate precancels | id. | millésimes of | | |
| | | (Yv Préo 50) | | 1921-24 ; issued | | |
| | | | | 7/1922-25 | | |
| Ι. | id. | vert. coils from sheets | id. | 1921 (rare) | | |
| I | id. | flat-plate stamped | - | 1921-24 | | |
| | | wrappers (No. 24) | | | | |
| IIA | id. (Yv 158a) | booklet of 40 w/o pubs | normal | 1921-22 | | |
| | | (Braun 32, 33) | | | | |
| IIB _ | id. | rotary-press vert. coils | id. | 1923 (scarce) | | |
| D | | ff of 24 March 1924): | | | | |
| | *Printed matter (within wrappers), to 20 gm. | | | | | |
| Replaced by the 5c Blanc (Sc 113, Yv 111b) in March 1925 or earlier. | | | | | | |

5c rose

The 5c rose (Sc 161, Yv 278B) replaced the 5c Blanc in Dec. 1934.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 24 March 1924):

*Printed matter (within wrappers), to 20 gm.

Possible domestic usage (Tariff of 12 July 1937):

Newspapers, to 60 gm, non-bulk rate.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1937):

*Newspapers, from 75 to 100 gm, special bulk rate.

Printed only as rotary plate adhesive stamps of Type III (7 plates) between 2 July 1934 and 19 July 1938.

Replaced by the 5c Mercure (Sc 355, Yv 406) in Oct. 1938.

10c red; green

The 10c red (Sc 162, Yv 138) replaced the 10c with thin inscriptions (Sc 162b, Yv 135) in Sept. 1907.

Usage (Tariff of 6 April 1906):

*Letters, to 15 gm (domestic);

*Letter-cards (domestic);

*Postal cards (domestic);

#*Postal cards (foreign).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1917):

Printed matter, from 50 to 100 gm;

*Postal cards "of 5 words".

Rendered largely obsolete by increased domestic rates of Tariff of 1 April 1920, remaining only for the foreign postal card.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 April 1921):

*Printed matter, to 50 gm.

Summary of printings (all flat-plate)

| Туре | | Color | Format | Paper | Printing dates |
|------|------|-----------------|--|---------|--|
| IA | bloo | d red (Yv 138a) | sheets | normal | 1907 |
| IA | red | | id. | id. | 1907-09 |
| IA | scar | det (Yv 138c) | id. | id. | 1907 (scarce) |
| IA | red | (shades) | F. M. ovpt. (Sc M5, Yv Franch. 5) | id. | 1907-16 |
| IA | id. | (id.) | stamped letter-cards (#49) | _ | March 1907-16 |
| IA | id. | | vert. and horz. coils from sheets | | bet. 1908 and 1915 (rare) |
| IA | oran | ge-red (Yv 138b | sheets | id. | 1910-16, 1920-21 |
| IA | id. | | +5c Red Cross ovpt. (Sc B1, Yv 146) | id. | 1914 |
| IA | red | (shades) | sheets | GC (yel | lowish) late 1916 |
| IA | id. | (id.) | id. | | gray) early 1920 |
| 1C | red | | booklets of 20 w/o pubs | normal | Aug. 1910-16 |
| IC | red | (shades) | stamped postal cards with (Nos. 71-73) and w/o | ,- | |
| 70 | | (11) | (70A, B) prepaid replies | | 1007.10 |
| IC | id. | (id.) | stamped envelopes | | 1907-16 |
| IC | red | | booklets of 20 w/o pubs (Braun 23) | GC | late 1916 (very rare) |
| II | red | (Yv 138d) | booklets of 30 w/o pubs (Braun 25) | normal | early Spring 1914, issued 1918 (or 1919) 1922? ¶ |
| n 1 | | 1 11 10 | /G 400 TT 4F0) 1 400 | | (scarce) |

Replaced by the 10c green (Sc 163, Yv 159) in 1922, which stamps were "interrupted" by the printing and issue of the 10c green Pasteur (Sc 185, Yv 170) from April 1923 to March 1924.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 24 March 1924):

*Printed matter, from 50 to 100 gm;

Printed matter, rapid service ("urgent"), to 50 gm;

*Postal cards "of 5 words".

Domestic usage (Tariff of 17 July 1925):

*Printed matter, to 50 gm.

Rendered temporarily obsolete by Tariff of 1 May 1926.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926):

*Printed matter, to 20 gm, special bulk rate;

*Printed matter, to 10 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate.

Summary of Printings

| Туре | Color | Format | Printing dates |
|------|-------|--|--|
| IA | green | flat-plate sheets | late 1921-23; issued from 2/1922 |
| IA | id. | vert. coils from sheets | late 1921-24 (or early 1925?); issued from 1922 (rare) |
| IC | id. | booklets of 20 w/o pubs (Braun 34, 35) | 1922-23 |
| IB | id. | rotary-plate sheet (4 plts.) | 4 March-21 Dec. 1922 |
| III | id. | id. (11 plates) | 5 Jan12 Feb. 1923, and bet. 9 Dec. 1924 and 14 Jan. 1929 |

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III id. flat-plate precancels printed 3/1925; on rotary-plate sheets issued 8/1925 (Yv Préo 51) III id. rotary-plate precancels printed 9-10/1925 and on rotary-plate sheets 8/1926-2/1929; (Yv Préo 51a) (6 plates) issued 1925-29 IV yellow green rotary-plate vert, and 5/1925 and 10/1926 horiz, coils IV id. rotary-plate precancels on 1925(?) and 1926 vert. rotary-plate coils

Replaced by the 10c Blanc (Sc 115, Yv 233) in June 1929.

10c ultramarine

The 10c ultramarine (Sc 164, Yv 279) replaced the 10c Blanc (Sc 115, Yv 233) in Oct. 1932.

*Printed matter (within wrapper), to 10 gm.

Rotary-plate sheets of Type III printed (15 plates) between 20 July 1932 and 8 Feb. 1938; precancelled by rotary plate (10 of the plates) from 20 July 1932 to 3 May 1937; stamped wrappers of this type (ACEP Nos. 33, 33A) printed 1937-39.

Rotary-plate vertical and horizontal coils of Type IV printed April 1933 and April 1934; precancelled rotary-plate vertical coils printed in 1932(?).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 12 July 1937):

Newspapers, to 60 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1937):

Newspapers, from 125 to 150 gm, special bulk rate; Newspapers, from 100 to 125 gm, non-bulk rate; Newspapers, to 75 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate.

Precancels suppressed following Tariff of 12 July 1937. Ordinary stamps eventually replaced by the 10c Mercure (Sc 356, Yv 407) in Oct. 1938.

15c

The 15c lilac-brown (Sc 165, Yv 189), in color of the obsolete 20c Sower (Sc 166, Yv 139), replaced the 15c green Pasteur (Sc 186, Yv 171) in Jan. 1926.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 17 July 1925):

*Printed matter, from 50 to 100 gm.

Possible foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Oct. 1925):

#Newspapers and periodicals (within wrappers), basic rate?

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 May 1926):

#*Printed matter and échantillons (samples), to 50 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 21 April 1930):

*Postal cards "of 5 words".

Domestic usage (Tariff of 6 April 1932):

*Printed matter, from 10 to 50 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 12 July 1937):

#*Printed matter, to 10 gm, special bulk rate;

Newspapers, from 150 to 175 gm, bulk rate;

Newspapers, from 60 to 75 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1937):

Newspapers, from 150 to 200 gm, bulk rate;

Newspapers, from 75 to 100 gm "ordinary" (individual) rate.

Summary of printings

| Type | Format | Printing dates |
|----------------|---|--|
| IA | rotary-plate sheets | 00 0 1 100 0 1 1000 1 0 7 1 |
| IA | flat-plate precancels on rotary-plate sheets | 10-11/1925 |
| IA | rotary-plate precancels on rotary-plate sheets | 21 Nov. 1925 to 3 Aug. 1928, and 13 March 1930 to 2 Dec. 1936 (14 of above plates) |
| IB | rotary-plate vert. coils | 1926 |
| IB | rotary-plate precancels on rotary coils | 1926 or 1937? (very rare) |
| IA | stamped wrappers (ACEP Nos. 26, 29) | 1926-28, 1930, 1933-38? |
| IA. | stamped commem. postal cards (unofficial) (Nos. 16-18) | 1930-32 |
| | v "semi-private" booklets of) 10 with pubs (Braun 52) | 1928 |
| IB (Y | v "semi-private" booklets of) 20 with pubs (Braun 51) | 1929 |
| IA? | "private" booklets of 4 (Philopode) | 1928 |
| II (Y- 189a | v rotary-plate sheets | 30 Nov. 1935 to 5 March 1938 (6 plates) |
| II | rotary-plate precancels on rotary-plate sheets | 25 Nov. 1935 to 7 Nov. 1938 (6 plates) |
| Printi | | 1930 and 12 Sept. 1931, for printings. |

Printings interrupted between 3 Nov. 1930 and 12 Sept. 1931, for printings and issue of the 15c Expo. Coloniale ("Fachi") (Sc 258, Yv 270). Replaced by the 15c Mercure (Sc 357, Yv 408) in Dec. 1938.

20c lilac-brown

The 20c lilac-brown (Sc 166, Yv 139) replaced the 20c lined Sower (Sc 140, Yv 131) 18 Dec. 1907.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 16 April 1906):

*Letters, from 15 to 30 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 May 1910):

Letters, from 50 to 100 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1917):

Printed matter and samples (échantillons), from 100 to 200 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 April 1920):

#*Postal cards;

*Échantillons, to 100 gm.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 April 1924):

#Postal cards to nearby areas of Belgium and Spain.

Usage (Tariff of 17 July 1925):

Printed matter, to 50 gm (foreign);

Printed matter, rapid service ("urgent"), to 50 gm (domestic).

[—]After this work went to press, there appeared an article by Jack Blanc ("La roulette rotative du 15c semeuse grasse": L'Echo de la Timbrologie, No. 1439, Dec. 1973). Blanc concludes that, although they differ slightly in size, Type I stamps for sheets, booklets, and stationery are all of Type IA, whereas those for coils are of a new Type IB. This new IB may best be distinguished (though with some difficulty—S.J.L.) by having a thickened (retouched) right position of the top frame line.

| | | Summary of printings | | |
|------|--------------|---------------------------|--------|------------------|
| Type | Color | Format | Paper | Printing dates |
| I | lilac-brown | flat-plate sheets | normal | 12/1907-16, 1921 |
| I | id. (shades) | id. | GC | 1917-20 |
| I | id. | flat-plate precancels | normal | issued 9/1922 on |
| | | on flat-plate sheets | | sheets of 1921 |
| | | (Yv Préo 53) | | printings |
| IB | id. | stamped postal cards | | 1920-23 |
| | | (Nos. 75, 75A) | | |
| IC | id. | id. (id.) | | 1922-25 |
| III | red-brown | rotary-plate sheets | normal | 19 March 1923- |
| | | | | 18 July 1925 |
| | | | | (3 plates) |
| 111 | id. | flat-plate precancels | id. | 1923-25 |
| | | on rotary-plate sheets | | |
| | | (Yv Préo 53a) | | |
| 111 | id. | postal cards with prepaid | - i | 1924 (and |
| | | reply (Nos. 77, 77A) | | earlier) |
| IV | id. | rotary-plate vert. | normal | 1924 and 30 Sep |
| | | and horiz. coils | | 2 Oct. 1925 |

Replaced by the 20c green Pasteur (Sc 187, Yv 172) in Jan. 1926.

20c rose-lilac

The 20c rose-lilac (Sc 167, Yv 190) replaced the 20c green Pasteur 20 July 1926 Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 May 1926):

#*Postal cards "of 5 words" (to 8 Aug. 1926; again from 19 July 1932 to 13 Nov. 1935).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 6 April 1932):

*Échantillons, to 50 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 12 July 1937):

#*Printed matter, to 20 gm;

#Visiting cards, w/o written messages;

Newspapers, from 75 to 100 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1937):

#Newspapers, from 100 to 125 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate:

#Newspapers, from 250 to 300 gm, non-bulk rate.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 17 Nov. 1938):

Printed matter, to 20 gm, special bulk rate.

Summary of printings (all rotary-plate)

| Type | Format | Printing dates | | |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------|---|--|--|
| III | sheets | 9 July 1926-14 Sept. 1935 (30 plates) | | |
| III | id. (on "carton" paper) | 1932 (or 1930?) | | |
| III | precancels (Yv Préo 53b) | 20 April 1932-12 Sept. 1935 (6 plates), | | |
| | • | issued July 1932 | | |
| IV | vertical coils | 1935 (or 1932) | | |
| IV | stamped commem, postal cards | 1933-37 | | |
| | (unofficial) (ACEP 20-25, 27) | | | |
| III+V sheets | | BH+BI of 16-27 Sept 1935 | | |
| V (Yv 190a) sheets | | 26 Sept. 1935-22 July 1938 (16 plates) | | |
| V | precancels | 18 Nov. 1935-20 Dec. 1937 (5 plates) | | |
| V | stamped wrappers (No. 34) | 1937-38 | | |
| VI (Y | (v 190b) booklets of 20 with | 4-5/1937; issued 10/1937 | | |
| , | pubs (Braun 53) | | | |
| Print | ings interrupted 20 Aug -11 Sept. | 1936, for printing and issue of the 20c | | |

Printings interrupted 20 Aug.-11 Sept. 1936, for printing and issue of the 20c Expo. '37 (Sc 315, Yv 322).

Replaced by the 20c Mercure (Sc 359, Yv 410) in Oct. 1938.

(1 plate)

250

The 25c blue (Sc 168, Yv 140) replaced the 25c lined Sower (Sc 141, Yv 132) 19 June 1907.

Usage (existing Tariff of 1 Jan. 1879):

#*Letters, to 15 gm (foreign) (to 20 gm after 1 May 1910);

#*Registry fee (domestic, colonies, and foreign).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 May 1910):

Letters, from 100 to 150 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1917):

*Letters, from 20 to 50 gm;

Printed matter, from 200 to 300 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 April 1920):

#*Letters, to 20 gm;

#*Letter-cards.

Registry fee, for other than letters and parcels.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 April 1921):

*Letters, to 20 gm, to nearby areas of Belgium and Spain.

(Left without specific usage by Tariff of 17 July 1925; retained as a supplementary value).

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Feb. 1926):

*Printed matter, to 50 gm (until 31 July 1926).

Usage (Tariff of 1 May 1926):

#*Printed matter and échantillons (samples), from 50 to 100 gm (domestic):

#Levée exceptionelle fee (domestic and foreign) (to 31 July 1937). Domestic usage (Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926):

*Postal cards "of 5 words" (until 20 April 1930).

| Summary of Printings | | | | | |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|--------|---|--------|--|
| Type | Color | Press | Format | Paper | Printing dates |
| IA | deep blue (shades) (Yv 140a) | flat | sheets | normal | 6/1907-1915 |
| IA | "black-blue" (Yv 140b) | flat | sheets | normal | 1907 |
| IA | light blue | flat | sheets | normal | used 2nd half 1911 (rare) |
| IA | blue | flat | sheets | normal | 1916 |
| JA | blue (shades) | flat | sheets | GC | 1917-20 |
| IA | light blue | flat | sheets | normal | 1920-23 |
| IA | light blue | flat | vert. and horiz. | normal | 1920-22? (very rare) |
| IB | light blue | flat | booklets of 20 w/o pubs (Br. 26) | normal | 1921?; issued 8?/1921-7?/1922 (rare) |
| II | blue (Yv 140c) | flat | booklets of 20 w/o pubs (Braun 27-29) | normal | 2?/1922-24? |
| 11 | blue (Yv 140d) | flat | bklts, of 10 & 20 w pubs (Br. 54-69) | | 1924-25 |
| IIIA | blue | flat | sheets | normal | 1923-24 |
| IIIA | blue | flat | stamped letter-cd. (ACEP #52 var.) | | 11 or 12/1924- 1/1925 (rare) |
| IIIB | blue (Yv 140e) | rotary | sheets | normal | 24 March 1924- 20 May 1925 (14 plates), & 2 Oct. 1926-9 Feb. 1927 |

| ШВ | blue | rotary | flat-plate precan- normal cels (Yv Préo 56) | issued 6-11?/1926 on sheets of 1924 printings |
|------|----------------|--------|--|---|
| IIIB | blue | rotary | rotary-press pre-normal cans (Yv P 56a) | 29 Sept. 1926- 12 Feb. 1927 (1 plate); issued 11/1926-27 |
| HIC | blue | rotary | vertical coils normal | 1924 |
| IV | blue | flat | bklts. of 20 w/o GC pubs (Braun 31) | issued 6?/1920 (very rare) |
| IV | blue (Yv 140f) | flat | bklts. of 20 w/o normal pubs (id.) | 1920-21; issued 1920-22? |
| IV | blu e | flat | stamped letter- cards (No. 52) | Spring 1920- Jan. 1925 |
| IV | blue | flat | stamped envelopes (#70, 70C, 71) | 1920-21 |

Replaced by the 25c yellow-brown (Sc 169, Yv 235) in June 1927; no change in (domestic only) usage.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 6 April 1932):

#*Printed matter, from 50 to 100 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 14 Nov. 1935):

*Postal cards "of 5 words".

Domestic usage (Tariff of 12 July 1937):

*Printed matter and échantillons, from 20 to 50 gm;

Newspapers, from 100 to 125 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1937):

Newspapers, from 125 to 150 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate.

Rotary-plate sheets of Type IIIB printed (27 plates) from 10 March 1927 to 4 Feb. 1938; rotary-plate precancels printed from 13 of the plates plus one new one, 11 Oct. 1927-10 Nov. 1938, issued Fall 1927 to 1938.

Rotary-plate vertical coils of Type IIIC printed in 1927; rotary-plate precancels printed 22 April 1931, for vertical and horizontal coils; (coils are rare; precancelled coils are very rare).

Replaced by the 25c Mercure (Sc 360, Yv 411) in Nov. 1938.

30c orange: red

The 30c orange (Sc 170, Yv 141) replaced the 30c lined Sower (Sc 142, Yv 133; 25 May 1907.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 16 April 1906):

Letters, from 30 to 45 gm:

Pneumatic letter-cards (Paris).

Foreign usage (Tariff of 4 Oct. 1907):

Letters, from 30 to 45 gm, to Luxembourg and nearby areas of Belgium and Switzerland;

Letters, from 15 to 30 gm, to nearby areas of Spain.

(Changed to 50-100 gm, and 20-50 gm, respectively, by Tariff of 1 May 1910).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 May 1910):

Letters, from 150 to 200 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1917):

Letters, from 50 to 100 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 April 1920):

*Printed matter, from 100 to 200 gm.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 April 1921):

*Postal cards:

Printed matter, from 100 to 150 gm.

Printed only in flat-plate sheets of Type I; on normal paper from May 1907; to 1916, and in 1920; very deep orange shade dates from July 1907; printed on GC paper in 1916-20. Precancelled (flat plate) POSTES PARIS and POSTES FRANCE (Yv Préos 29, 35), issued 1 Jan. 1921.

Replaced by the 30c red (Sc 171, Yv 160) in Jan. 1922.

Printed only in 1921, as flat-plate sheets of Type I on normal paper; flat-plate precancels POSTES PARIS and POSTES FRANCE (Yv Préos 32, 38), issued 1? Jan. 1922; flat-plate precancels of the more common AFFRANCHts POSTES type (Yv Préo 58) issued Sept. 1922 to 1925. Stamped postal cards of special Type IV (ACEP No. 76) printed in July 1921.

Stationery for pneumatic mail with violet stamp, printed in 1907-10 (Type I) and in 1910-16 (Type IV), for use in Paris and Marseille.

Postal savings forms (for the C.N.E.P.) with a black stamp, also for pneumatic mail, issued in 1909-10 (Type I), and in 1914 (Type IV).

Replaced by the 30c red Pasteur (Sc 188, Yv 173) in May 1923.

30c rose; blue

The 30c rose (Sc 172, Yv 191) replaced the above Pasteur, 6 Jan. 1925.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 24 March 1924):

#Printed matter, from 100 to 200 gm.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 15 April 1924):

Letters, to 20 gm, to nearby areas of Switzerland.

Usage (Tariff of 17 July 1925):

Letters, to 20 gm (domestic);

Letters, to 20 gm, to nearby areas of Belgium and Spain;

Postal cards, to nearby areas of Switzerland.

Printed in flat-plate sheets of Type I in Dec.? 1924 to 1925; flat-plate precancels (Yv Préo 59) applied to 1924-25 printings and issued from Jan. 1925 to 1926? Rotary-plate sheets of Type IIA (Yv 191a) printed (1 plate) from 25 June to 16 July 1925. Flat-plate booklets of 20 with pubs (Type IIB) (Yv 191b) (Braun 67-69) printed from 7 July 1925.

Replaced by the 30c blue (Sc 173, Yv 192) in August 1925; no change in usage, which was primarily for the single-weight domestic letter.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 May 1926):

*Postal cards;

#Échantillons (samples), from 50 to 100 gm;

Printed matter, rapid service ("urgent"), to 50 gm.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 August 1926):

Printed matter, to 50 gm.

Printed in rotary-plate sheets of Type IIA (10 plates) from 17 July 1925 to 21 April 1926; rotary-plate precancels (Yv Préo 60) printed (1 plate) 3 Nov. and 27-28 Nov. 1925, issued Nov.? 1925 to 1926; stamped envelopes (ACEP No. 72) of Type IIA issued in 1926.

Flat plate booklets of 20 with pubs, of Type IIB (Yv 192b) (Braun 70-75),

printed July 1925-Jan. 1926.

Vertical rotary-plate coils of Type IIC printed 1925 and June 1926 (rare). Stamped postal cards of Type IID w/o (ACEP Nos. 84,a) and with (Nos. 86,a) prepaid reply printed July-Sept. 1926.

Replaced by the 30c green Pasteur (Sc 189, Yv 174) in late Oct. 1926.

30c brown-red

The 30c brown-red, or "copper-red" (Sc 174, Yv 360) replaced the 30c Peace of Laurens (Sc 264, Yv 280) in Nov. 1937.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 12 July 1937):

*Postal cards "of 5 words" (and foreign?);

Visiting cards;

#Newspapers, from 150 to 200 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate. Domestic usage (Tariff of 17 Nov. 1938):

#*Printed matter (within wrappers), to 20 gm;

Samples (échantillons) (within wrappers), to 20 gm.

Printed in rotary-plate sheets of Type IIA (7 plates) from 14 Oct. 1937 to 24 Nov. 1938; rotary-plate precancels (Yv Préo 61) printed (1 plate) 21-24 Nov. 1938, issued from Feb. 1939 to 1941. Stamped wrappers of Type IIA (ACEP No. 35) printed in May 1939 (scarce).

Rotary-plate booklets of 20 stamps with pubs, of Type III, (Yv 360a,b) (Braun 77) printed in Jan.-Feb. 1938.

Replaced by the 30c Mercure (Sc 361, Yv 412) in Feb. 1939; the precancels were not replaced by this stamp until Oct. 1941.

25c/30c

Overprinted (Sc 227, Yv 217) on remainders of the 30c blue (Sc 173, Yv 192); flat-plate overprints on sheets of Type IIA and on sheets for booklets of Type IIB (Braun 90, 91).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926):

*Letters, to 20 gm (used as pairs).

About 26 million stamps issued in Oct. 1926.

35c violet

The 35c violet (Sc 175, Yv 142) replaced the 35c Sower with thin inscriptions (Sc 175b, Yv 136) in late 1907.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 16 April 1906):

*Registered letters, to 15 gm (to 20 gm from 1 May 1910).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1917):

Letters, from 100 to 150 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 April 1920):

#*Échantillons (samples), from 100 to 200 gm;

Registry fee for letters and parcels.

Printed in flat-plate sheets of Type I in deep to medium shades on normal paper, Nov. 1907 to 1911; in pale violet on normal paper, 1911-16; in pale to deep violet on GC paper in 1918 and 1919; and in violet on normal paper, 1920-24. Flat-plate precancel overprints (Yv Préo 62) applied to sheets of 1922-24 printings, issued Sept. 1922 to 1926. Rotary-plate sheets of Type II printed (1 plate) 19 March-22 April 1926.

Rendered obsolete by Tariff of 1 May 1926.

25c/35c violet

Overprinted by flat-plate (Sc 228, Yv 218) on remainders of above Type II 35c violet (see 25c/30c, above); about 29 million stamps issued in Nov 1926.

35c green

The 35c green (Sc 176, Yv 361) was issued in Sept. 1937, the value having been reestablished by the domestic Tariff of 12 July 1937:

#Printed matter, from 50 to 100 gm;

Printed matter, rapid service ("urgent"), to 20 gm;

Newspapers, from 150 to 175 gm, ordinary (individual) rate.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1937):

Printed matter, to 50 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1937):

Newspapers, from 200 to 250 gm, ordinary (individual) rate.

Printed in rotary-plate sheets of Type II (1 plate), 20 Aug. 1937-17 Nov. 1938; rotary-plate precancels (Yv Préo 63) printed between 26 Aug. 1937 and 3 Oct. 1938 from this same plate.

Rendered obsolete by Tariff of 17 Nov. 1938 and suppressed.

30c/35c green

Overprinted (flat-plate) (Sc 400, Yv 476) on remainders of above 35c green and issued 21 Jan. 1941.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 17 Nov. 1938): Printed matter and samples, to 20 gm.

40c

The 40c olive-brown (Sc 177, Yv 193) replaced the 40c Merson (Sc 121, Yv 119) in 1925.

Foreign usage (Decree of 20 April 1924):

Printed matter, from 150 to 200 gm, special publishers rate.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 17 July 1925):

Printed matter, from 50 to 100 gm;

Letters, to 20 gm, to nearby areas of Switzerland.

Left without specific use from 1 Feb. to 30 April 1926.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 May 1926):

Letters, to 20 gm:

Printed matter and échantillons (samples), from 100 to 200 gm.

Printed in flat-plate sheets of Type I from Aug. 1925 to 1926; flat-plate booklets of 20 stamps with pubs (Yv 193a) (Braun 78) printed in April 1926. Rotary-plate sheets of Type II printed (3 plates) 15 Feb.-3 May 1926.

Replaced, at beginning of domestic single-weight letter rate, by the 40c vermilion (Sc 178, Yv 194).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926):

*Postal cards.

Printed in flat-plate booklets of 20 stamps with pubs (Type I) (Yv 194a) (Braun 80-85) from May to 17 July 1926, and in rotary-plate sheets of Type II (4 plates) from 4 May to 5 Aug. 1926; rotary-plate vertical coils (Type II) printed in 1926; rotary-plate precancels (Type II) (Yv Préo 64) printed 5-8 June 1926, issued June?-Aug. 1926. Stamped letter-cards of Type II and special Type III printed in spring of 1926 (ACEP No. 53).

Replaced by the 40c violet (Sc 179, Yv 236) in summer of 1927.

Printed in rotary-plate sheets of Type II (3 plates), from 26 Aug. 1927 to 14 Nov. 1928; vertical coils printed and issued in 1928. Stamped postal cards (ACEP Nos. 87, 88, and 91) printed from fall of 1926 to spring of 1928; with prepaid reply (ACEP No. 89) in 1927; all postal stationery is in Type II of the adhesive stamps.

Replaced by the 40c ultramarine (Sc 180, Yv 237) late in 1928.

Printed in rotary-plate sheets of Type II (18 plates), from 15 Nov. 1928 to 16 April 1932; vertical coils printed and issued in 1929. Stamped postal cards (ACEP Nos. 93 & 95) printed from late 1928 to 1932; with prepaid reply (ACEP Nos. 94 & 96) in 1929 and 1930; all official postal stationery is in Type II of the adhesive stamps.

Printings interrupted 25 Nov. 1930 to 26 June 1931, for printing and issue of the 40c Expo. Coloniale ("Fachi") (Sc 259, Yv 271).

Replaced by the 40c Peace of Laurens (Sc 265, Yv 281) in Jan. 1933.

90c

The 90c Sower exists only (Andorra excepted) on stamped postal cards, with (ACEP 99) and without (ACEP 97 & 98) prepaid reply printed in 1930-31.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1926):

*Postal cards.

1F05

The 1F05 vermilion (Sc 181, Yv 195) was printed in rotary-plate sheets (i plate), 7 Oct.-6 Nov. 1925; newly-created value following domestic Tariff of 17 July 1925:

Registered letters, to 20 gm.

Rendered obsolete by Tariff of 1 May 1926 and suppressed.

50c/1F05

Overprinted (Sc 234, Yv 225) on remainders of above 1F05 stamp, following domestic Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926, to meet the large need for the single-weight letter rate; about 34 million stamps issued in April 1927.

90c/1F05

Overprinted (Sc 238, Yv 227) on remainders of above 1F05 stamp, following international Tariff of 1 Aug. 1926, to meet the need for franking postal cards to foreign destinations; about 6 million issued in Sept. or Oct. 1926.

1F10

The 1F10 rose (Sc 182, Yv 238) was printed in rotary-plate sheets (1 plate) between 6 Jan. 1927 and 1 Feb. 1930; issued in March 1927; newly-created value following domestic Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926:

Letters, to 20 gm, incl. COD fee (Valeur à recouvrer).

Suppressed 18 July 1932.

1F40

The 1F40 rose (Sc 183, Yv 196) was printed in rotary-plate sheets (1 plate), 12-19 July 1926; issued in August 1926; newly-created value following domestic Tariff of 1 May 1926:

Registered letters, to 20 gm.

This stamp was obsolete even before issuance, and most of the issue was subsequently overprinted.

1F10/1F40

Overprinted (flat-plate) (Sc 240, Yv 228) on the obsolete stock of above stamp, following domestic Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926:

Letters, to 20 gm, incl. COD fee.

About 8 million stamps issued in Oct. 1926.

2F

The 2F blue-green (Sc 184, Yv 239) replaced the 2F orange and blue-green Merson (Sc 127, Yv 145) as a supplementary high value early in 1931

Printed in rotary-plate sheets (2 plates), 2-12 Dec. 1930 and 26 March-17 April 1931.

Replaced by the 2F Arc de Triomphe (Sc 263, Yv 258) 29 Aug. 1931.

IV. The Pasteur Issues of 1923-1932

Scott type A23

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10c

The 10c green (Scott 185, Yvert 170) replaced the 10c green cameo Sower (Types IA, IB, IC, and III) (Sc 163, Yv 159), 25 May 1923.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 April 1921):

*Printed matter, to 20 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 24 March 1924):

Printed matter, from 50 to 100 gm;

Printed matter, rapid service ("urgent"), to 50 gm;

Postal cards "of 5 words."

Printed in rotary-plate sheets (3 plates) from 30 April 1923 to 20 March 1924; vertical rotary-plate coils printed in 1923: flat-plate booklets of 20 stamps (w/o pubs) (Braun 37) printed in 1923-24.

Replaced by the rotary-plate 10c green cameo Sower (Ty. III) in spring of 1924.

15c

The 15c green (Sc 186, Yv 171) replaced the 15c lined Sower (Types IV and V) (Sc 139, Yv 130), 19 Sept. 1924.

Usage (Tariffs of 24 March and 1 April 1924):

*Printed matter, to 50 gm (foreign);

*Postal cards (domestic);

Postal cards "of 5 words" (foreign).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 17 July 1925):

*Printed matter, from 50 to 100 gm.

Printed in rotary-plate sheets from 30 August 1924 to 15 June 1925; flatplate precancels (Yv Préo 65) printed Nov. 1924-Jan. 1925, first issued Dec. 11924; vertical rotary-plate coils printed in 1924. Stamped "private" commemorative postal cards (ACEP Nos. 11 and 12) printed for the 1924 Olympic Games and the 1925 Paris International Exposition.

Replaced by the 15c cameo Sower (Sc 165, Yv 189) in Jan. 1926.

200

The 20c green (Sc 187, Yv 172) replaced the 20c red-brown (Type III) camed Sower (Sc 166, Yv 139), 22 Jan. 1926.

Usage (Tariff of 17 July 1925, and earlier ones):

*Printed matter, to 50 gm (foreign);

Printed matter, rapid service ("urgent"), to 50 gm (domestic);

*Postal cards (domestic, and to nearby areas of Belgium and Spain).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 May 1926):

Postal cards "of 5 words."

Printed in rotary-plate sheets (1 plate) 12 Jan.-20 Feb. 1926; stamped postal cards (ACEP No. 82 and 82a) printed Oct. 1925.

Replaced by the 20c rose-lilac (Type III) cameo Sower (Sc 167, Yv 190), 20 July 1926.

30c red

The 30c red (Sc 188, Yv 173) replaced the 30c red cameo Sower (Sc 171, Yv 160), 25 May 1923.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 April 1921):

*Postal cards;

Printed matter, from 100 to 150 gm.

Usage (Tariffs of 24 March and 15 April 1924):

Printed matter, from 100 to 200 gm (domestic);

Letters, to 20 gm (to nearby areas of Switzerland).

Printed in flat-plate sheets in 1923; stamped postal cards without (ACEP No. 79) and with (No. 80) prepaid replies printed late in spring of 1923.

Replaced by the 30c rose cameo Sower (Sc 172, Yv 191), 6 Jan. 1925.

30c green

The 30c green (Sc 189, Yv 174) replaced the 30c blue cameo Sower (Sc 173, Yv 192), 27 Oct. 1926.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1926):

#*Printed matter, to 50 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 6 April 1932);

Échantillons (samples), from 50 to 100 gm.

Printed in rotary-plate sheets from 26 Oct. 1926 to 5 Nov. 1931; rotary-plate precancels (Yv Préo 66) printed from one of the plates 25 April-4 May 1932, and issued July 1932 until suppressed July 1937; vertical rotary-plate coils printed in 1926?, issued 1930?

Replaced by the 30c Peace of Laurens (Sc 264, Yv 280) in March 1933; pre-

cancels on this Laurens never issued.

45c

The 45c red (Sc 190, Yv 175) replaced the 45c Merson (Sc 122, Yv 143) in August 1924.

Usage (Tariffs of 24 March and 1 April 1924, and earlier):

*Postal cards (foreign);

Letters, from 20 to 50 gm (domestic);

#Printed matter, from 200 to 300 gm (domestic); Printed matter, from 100 to 150 gm (foreign).

(Rendered largely obsolete by Tariffs of 15 and 16 July 1925; remainders may have been used as follows):

Domestic usage (Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926):

Printed matter and échantillons, from 100 to 200 gm.

Printed in rotary-plate sheets (1 plate) 25 July-7 Oct. 1924; flat-plate precancels (Yv Préo 67) printed July-Oct. 1924. Stamped "private" commemorative postal cards of special Type II printed for Paris stamp exposition (ACEP No. 13) and issued in May 1925.

Value (but not usage) replaced by the 45c lined Sower (Sc 143, Yv 197) in

Nov. 1926 or early 1927.

50c

The 50c blue (Sc 191, Yv 176) replaced the 50c blue lined Sower (Sc 144, Yv 161), 25 May 1923.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 April 1921):

*Letters, to 20 gm;

Registry fee.

Domestic usage (Tariffs of 24 March and 1 April 1924):

#Échantillons (samples), from 200 to 300 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 17 July 1925):

*Letters, from 20 to 50 gm;

Registry fee, for other than letters and parcels.

Printed in flat-plate sheets of Type I in 1923-24; flat-plate precancels (Yv Préo 68) applied in 1924 on sheets of 1923-24 printings, issued June 1924, and suppressed 1 May 1926. Horizontal and vertical rotary-plate coils (very rare) of Type II printed in Feb. 1924.

Replaced by the 50c olive green lined Sower (Sc 145, Yv 198) late in 1925 or

Jan. 1926.

60c

The 60c red, printed only on stamped postal cards with prepaid replies (ACE? No. 83), was issued in 1925, following foreign Tariff of 13 July 1925.

75c

The 75c blue (Sc 192, Yv 177) was issued July 1924, value having been reestablished by the Tariff of 1 April 1924:

Foreign usage:

*Letters, to 20 gm;

Registry fee.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 17 July 1925):

Letters, from 50 to 100 gm;

Registry fee.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Feb. 1926):

*Postal cards.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926):

Letters, from 20 to 50 gm

Printed in fiat-plate sheets of Type I in 1924; horizontal and vertical rotary-plate coils (rare) of apparently same type printed 30 June 1924. Stamped postal cards (ACEP No. 85) of special Type II, in red, is sued 1926.

Replaced by the 75c lined Sower (Sc 151, Yv 202) in Nov. 1926.

50c/75c

Overprinted (Sc 231, Yv 219) by flat-plate on remainders of above stamp, following domestic Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926, to meet the large need for the single-weight letter rate; about 12.8 million stamps overprinted and issued in Nov. 1926.

90c

The 90c red (Sc 193, Yv 178) was issued in Oct. or Nov. 1926; newly-created value following domestic Tariff of 1 May 1926:

Domestic usage:

#Letters, from 50 to 100 gm.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1926):

Postal cards.

Printed in rotary-plate sheets (1 plate) 13 Oct.-4 Dec. 1926. Stamped postal cards with prepaid replies (ACEP No. 90) issued in 1927.

Replaced by the 90c Berthelot (Sc 242, Yv 243) in Sept. 1927.

1F

The 1F blue (Sc 194, Yv 179) replaced the 1F Merson (Sc 125, Yv 121) 39 Nov. 1925.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 17 July 1925):

*Letters, to 20 gm;

Registry fee.

(Rendered temporarily obsolete by Tariff of 1 Feb. 1926).

Demestic usage (Tariff of 1 May 1926):

#Registry fee;

Express fee.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926):

Letters, from 50 to 100 gm.

Printed in rotary-plate sheets of Type I (1 plate) between 7 Nov. 1925 and 5 Feb. 1926; horizontal and vertical rotary-press coils of Type II (rare) printed in Aug. 1925.

Replaced by the 1F lined Sower (Sc 154, Yv 205) in Aug. 1926.

1F25

The 1F25 blue (Sc 195, Yv 180) was issued in March or April 1926; newlycreated value following foreign Tariff of 1 Feb. 1926; Foreign usage:

*Letters, to 20 gm;

Registry fee.

Printed in rotary-plate sheets (1 plate) 9-29 March 1926.

Rendered obsolete by Tariff of 1 Aug. 1926 and suppressed.

50c/1F25

Overprinted (Sc 235, Yv 222) by flat-plate on remainders of above stamps (see 50c/75c, above); about 15 million stamps overprinted and issued in Nov. 1926.

1F50

The 1F50 blue (Sc 195, Yv 181) was issued in Aug. 1926; newly-created value following Tariffs of 1 and 9 Aug. 1926;

*Letters, to 20 gm (foreign);

Registry fee (foreign);

*Registered letters, to 20 gm (domestic).

Printed in rotary-plate sheets (4 plates) from 9 Aug. 1926 to 7 Dec. 1929 and from 6 Jan. to 12 Feb. 1932, printings having been interrupted in 1930-31 for the 1F50 Expo Coloniale ("Fachi") (Sc 261, Yv 273). Overprinted by flat-plate for the B. I. T. Congress (Sc 257, Yv 265) on sheets of Sept.-Oct. 1929 printing; surcharged 10F by flat-plate for the "Ile de France" issue (Sc C4, Yv PA4) in Aug. 1928. Vertical rotary-plate coils (rare) printed in 1926.

Replaced by the 1F50 Peace of Laurens (Sc 282, Yv 288) in July 1932.

V. "Monuments and Sites" Issues of 1929-38

These stamps, all engraved in large format, generally were issued with little regard to any specific usage and may be considered as supplementary high values, as were the stamps they replaced.

2F Arc de Triomphe

Scott type A44

Designed by F. Bivel; engraved by A. Delzers

This stamp (Scott 263, Yvert 258) replaced the 2F cameo Sower (Sc 184, Yv. 239), 29 Aug. 1931.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926):

Registered letters, from 50 to 100 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 18 July 1932):

Registered letters from 20 to 50 gm.

Foreign usage (Decree of 20 July 1932):

Registry iee.

Printed in rotary-plate panes of 25 stamps between 20 Nov. 1930 and 6 Dec. 1934.

Replaced in Feb. 1935 by the 2F Breton River (Sc 299, Yv 301).

3F Reims Cathedral

Scott type A37

Designed by A. Verecque; engraved by A. Dezarrois.

This stamp (Sc 247-48, Yv 259) replaced the 3F Merson (Sc 129, Yv 240), 17 Nov. 1930.

Usage (Tariffs of 1 and 9 Aug. 1926):

Registered letters, to 20 gm (foreign);

Special delivery (exprès) fee (foreign);

Special delivery (exprès) letters, to 20 gm (domestic).

Printed in rotary-plate panes of 25 stamps. Three types or four dies known, but there is no concordance among those indicated by Scott, Yvert, Joany, or others. Printings ran between 5 Feb. 1930 and 1 April 1932. Suppressed in August 1932.

5F Mont-Saint-Michel

Scott type A38

Designed by F. Bivel; engraved by A. Mignon

This stamp (Sc 249-50, Yv 260) replaced the 5F Merson (Sc 130, Yv 123) in Feb. 1930.

Type I of De Vinck and Joany=Scott Die I=Yvert Type II; printed in rotaryplate panes of 25 stamps between 29 June 1929 and 9 Aug. 1930.

Type II of De Vinck and Joany=Scott Die II=Yvert Type I; printed in rotary-plate panes of 25 and 50 stamps between 6 Dec. 1930 and 29 Oct. 1937, issued Feb. 1931.

Replaced 20 April 1938 by the 5F Carcassonne (Sc 345, Yv 392).

10F La Rochelle

Scott type A39

Designed and engraved by H. Cheffer.

This stamp (Sc 251-52, Yv 261) replaced the 10F Merson (Sc 131, Yv 207), 18 July 1929.

Type I of De Vinck and Joany=Scott Die I and Yvert Type I; printed in rotary-plate panes of 25 stamps between 22 March and 8 June 1929.

Type II of De Vinck and Joany=Scott Dies II and III and Yvert Types II and III; "Die II" printed in panes of 25 stamps between 18 Sept. 1930 and 4 May 1931, issued Oct. 1930; "Die III" printed in rotary-plate panes of 25 and 50 stamps between 19 June 1931 and 26 Feb. 1938, issued Aug. 1931.

Replaced 16 May 1938 by the 10F Vincennes (Sc 346, Yv 393).

20F Pont du Gard

Scott type A40

Designed and engraved by H. Cheffer.

This stamp (Sc 253-54A, Yv 262-62B) replaced the 20F Merson (Sc 132, Yv 208) 15 May 1929.

Type I of Lesgor and Joany=Scott Dies I and II=Yvert Type II; printed in flat-plate panes of 50 stamps between 19 Feb.(?) 1929 and 1930. (The scarce perf. 11 (line perf.) stamps are simply those of the last 1930 printing, on poorer paper, that because of adverse direction of shrinkage, were perforated on the machine previously used for the engraved Monaco stamps of 1923-24.)

Type II of Lesgor and Joany=Scott Die III=Yvert Type I; printed in rotary-plate panes of 25 stamps between 26 Oct. 1931 and 18 Oct. 1937, issued Nov. 1931.

Replaced 16 May 1938 by the 20F Saint-Malo (Sc 347, Yv 394).

Interlude I. Commemoratives, Quasi-Regulars, and Isolated Regulars of the First Inflationary Period and the Depression (1924-37)

Nos. in Dates of Printings; Issue No. printed (in millions)

10c values

198 183 Olympic Games issued 1 Apr.-1 Nov. 1924

| 220 | 210 | International Exhib. issued 15 June-31 Dec. 1925 Domestic usage (Tariff of 24 March 1924): Postal cards "of 5 words"; Printed matter, from 50 to 100 gm. |
|-----|-----|--|
| 221 | 211 | 15c values International Exhib. issued 30 Apr31 Dec. 1925 Usage (Tariffs of 24 March and 1 April 1924): Postal cards (domestic); |
| 258 | 270 | Printed matter, to 50 gm (foreign); Postal cards "of 5 words" (foreign). Colonial Expo. ("Fachi") 3 Nov. 1930-12 Sept. 1931; 17 Nov. 1930-Nov. 1931 Domestic usage (Tariff of 21 April 1930): Postal cards "or 5 words." |
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| 309 | 314 | 20c values Rouget de Lisle bet. 22 June and 5 Aog. 1936; 27 Jone 1936-23 Sept. 1937 16.0 |
| 315 | 322 | Expo 1937 20 Aug11 Sept. 1936; 16 Sept. 1936-13 Feb. 1937 |
| | | Domestic usage (Tariffs of 6 April and 18 July 1932): Postal cards "of 5 words." Printed matter, from 10 to 50 gm. |
| | | 25c values |
| 199 | 184 | Olympic Games issued 1 April-1 Nov. 1924 |
| 222 | 212 | International Exhib. issued 8 Dec. 1924-31 Dec. 1925 |
| 223 | 213 | International Exhib. issued 11 May-31 Dec. 1925 |
| 220 | 210 | Domestic usage (Tariff of 24 Mar. 1924) (until 14 July 1925) Letters, to 20 gm. |
| | | 30c values |
| 200 | 185 | Olympic Games issued 23 May-1 Nov. 1924 |
| _ | - | Stamped postal card of issued 1924-30 Sep. 1924 same design (ACEP No. 78) |
| | | Usage (Tariffs of 24 March and 1 April 1924): |
| | | Printed matter, from 100 to 200 gm (domestic); Letters, to 20 gm, to nearby areas of Switzerland. |
| | | (Postal cards required 15c additional postage for foreign |
| 291 | 291 | usage.) A. Briand bet. 9 Nov. 1933 and 27 Apr. 1934; 11 Dec. 1933-1934 |
| | | (a quasi-regular, interrupting the 30c Paix of Laurens). |
| 316 | 323 | Expo 1937 24 Aug13 Oct. 1936; 16 Sept. 1936-13 Feb. 1937 |
| | | Usage (Tariffs of 6 April and 18 July 1932): Printed matter, to 50 gm (foreign); Samples (échantillons), from 50 to 100 gm (domestic). |
| 325 | 337 | Mermoz 25 March-21 Apr. 1937; 22 Apr23 Sept. 1937 8 9 |
| 327 | 339 | Railway Cong. 21-31 May 1937; issued 31 May 1937 3 9 Usage, as above, then, |
| | | Domestic usage (Tariff of 12 July 1937): |
| | | Postal cards "of 5 words"; |
| | | Visiting cards; |
| | | Newspapers, from 150 to 200 gm, "ordinary" (individual) |
| | | rate. |

| | | 40c values | |
|-----|-----|---|-------|
| 259 | 271 | Colonial Expo. ("Fachi") 25 Nov. 1930-26 June 1931; | |
| | | Dec. 1930-Nov. 1931 | |
| | | (a quasi-regular, interrupting the 40c ultramarine So | wer'. |
| 295 | 295 | Jacquard bet. 3 March and 4 July 1934; | |
| | | 14 March-21 Nov. 1934 | |
| 310 | 315 | La Marseillaise 26 June-27 July 1936; | 15.0 |
| | | 29 June 1936-23 Sept. 1937 | |
| 313 | 318 | Jean Jaures bet. 23 July and 16 Oct. 1936; | 15.0 |
| | | 30 July 1936-23 Sept. 1937 | |
| 317 | 324 | Expo 1937 27 Aug21 Sept. 1936; | |
| | | 16 Sept. 1936-13 Feb. 1937 | |
| | | Domestic usage (Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926): *#Postal cards. | |
| | | Domestic usage (Tariff of 18 July 1932) | |

45c value

Invoices, unsealed, to 20 gm.

A 45c commem. postal card (ACEP No. 81), in the design of the 25c International Exposition (Sc 223, Yv 213), was issued in 1925 and suppressed 31 Dec. 1925. Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 April 1924). From 16 July 1925, required additional 15c postage.

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| 200 | 186 | Olympic Games issued 23 May-1 Nov. 1924 | |
| | | Designed for the 1x foreign letter rate (Tariff of 1 April | |
| | | 1921), but left without specific usage by Tariffs of 24 | |
| | | March and 1 April 1924; served as a complementary value. | |
| 245 | 257 | Jeanne d'Arc issued 11 March-16 Oct. 1929 | |
| | | A quasi-regular, interrupting printings of the 50c red | |
| | | lined Sower in 1929. Rotary-plate sheets (Type I) printed | |
| | | (7 plates) 14 Feb11 June 1929; flat-plate booklets of | |
| | | 20 stamps w. pubs (Type I) (Braun Nos. 185-196), and | |
| | | rotary-plate booklets of 20 stamps w. pubs (Type II) | |
| | | (Nos. 197-198) printed in 1929. | |
| 255 | 263 | Algeria Centenary issued 1 Jan1 July 1930 | |
| 256 | 264 | B. I. T. Congress issued 23 April-7 May 1930 | 0.6 |
| 260 | 272 | Colonial Expo. ("Fachi") issued 17 Nov. 1930-Nov. 1931 | |
| | | A quasi-regular, interrupting printings of the 50c red | |
| | | lined Sower in 1930-31. Early rotary-plate sheets are of | |
| | | Type I, printed (2 plates) between 22 Oct. 1930 and 10 | |
| | | June 1931; later rotary-plate sheets, printed (8 plates) | |
| | | 17 Dec. 1930-3 Sept. 1931, are of Type II, as are the ro- | |
| | | tary-plate booklets of 20 stamps w. pubs (Braun Nos. | |
| | | 199-208); rarely an "isolé" of Type I is found in booklets. | |
| 318 | 325 | Expo 1937 4 Aug5 Oct. 1936; | |
| | | 16 Sept. 1936-13 Feb. 1937 | |
| | | Usage (Tariffs of 9 Aug. 1926 and later decrees): | |
| | | Letters, to 20 gm (domestic); | |
| | | Postal cards (tc Luxembourg); | |
| | | Postal cards to Canada; | |
| | | Visiting cards (foreign). | |
| | | 75c volume | |

75c values

| 219 | 209 | Ronsard | | | | | issued 6 | Oct. | 1924 |
|-----|-----|---------------|-------|--------|---|------|----------|------|------|
| 224 | 214 | International | Expo. | issued | 8 | Dec. | 1924-31 | Dec. | 1925 |

| Interl | uđe I | 45 |
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| 225 | 215 | International Expo. issued 15 June-31 Dec. 1925 |
| | | Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 April 1924): |
| | | Letters, to 20 gm; |
| | | Registry fee. |
| | | Domestic usage (Tariff of 15 July 1925): |
| | | Letters, from 50 to 100 gm; |
| 292 | 292 | Registry fee. Paul Doumer 25 Oct18 Nov. 1933; |
| 202 | 202 | 11 Dec. 1933-1934 |
| | | (a quasi-regular, interrupting printings of the 75c |
| | | Paix of Laurens in 1933). |
| 296 | 296 | Jacques Cartier 20 July-26 Oct. 1934; 2.5 |
| | | July-21 Nov. 1934 |
| 301 | 303 | Benjamin Delessert 25 Apr25 May 1935; 10.0 |
| | | 20 May 1935-23 Sept. 1937 |
| 305 | 306 | Jacques Callot 17 Sept9 Oct. 1935; 8.0 |
| | | 16 Nov. 1935-23 Sept. 1937 |
| 306 | 310 | Ampère 18 Feb12 March 1936; |
| | | 27 Feb. 1936-23 Sept. 1937 |
| 308 | 313 | Pilatre de Rozier 16 May-9 June 1936; 8.1 |
| 044 | 04.0 | 4 June 1936-23 Sept. 1937 |
| 311 | 316 | Vimy Memorial 11-28 July 1936; 7.0 |
| 0,0 | 205 | 26 July 1936-23 Sept. 1937 |
| 323 | 335 | Corneille bet. 19 Jan. and 3 Feb. 1937; 6.0 |
| | | 15 Feb23 Sept. 1937 Foreign usage (Decree of 21 April 1931, etc.); |
| | | Airmail surtax, per 20 gm, within Europe; |
| | | Letters, to 20 gm. to Canada and Luxembourg. |
| | | Domestic usage (Tariff of 18 July 1932): |
| | | Letters, from 20 to 50 gm; |
| | | Registry fee, for other than letters and parcels. |
| | | 90c values |
| 242 | 243 | Berthelot bet. 23 Aug. 1927 and 21 June 1932; |
| | | 7 Sept. 1927-1932 |
| | | (a long-lived quasi-regular, which replaced the 90c Pas- |
| | | teur in 1927 and was replaced by the 90c carmine-red |
| | | Paix of Laurens in 1932. In addition to the rotary-plate |
| | | adhesive stamps of Type I, a stamped postal card of |
| | | Type II (ACEP No. 92) was issued in 1928). |
| 243 | 244 | American Legion, issued 15 Sept. 1927-5 Apr. 1928 |
| 290 | 290 | Le Puy-en-Velay issued 12 Sept. 1933-1937 12.3 |
| | | (another long-lived stamp, that may be considered a reg- |
| 1 | | ular of the Monuments and Sites issues; replaced the 90c Paix of Laurens in 1933 and was replaced by the 90c |
| | | Descartes and Iseran Pass stamps in 1937; printed be- |
| | | tween 12 July 1933 and 20 Jan. 1937). |
| 319 | 326 | Expo 1937 10 Aug14 Oct. 1936; |
| | - au | 16 Sept. 1936-13 Feb. 1937 |
| 330 | 341 | Descartes 2-27 Apr. 1937; 24 May-Aug. 1937 4.5 |
| 331 | 342 | Descartes 28 May-14 June 1937; 10 June-23 Sept. 1937 5.9 |
| | | Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1926): |
| | | Postal cards (to 31 July 1937). |
| | | Domestic usage (Tariff of 12 July 1937): |
| | | Letters, from 20 to 50 gm. |

| | | 1F25 values |
|----------|-------------|---|
| 293 | 293 | Victor Hugo (typographed) bet. 24 Oct. 1933 and |
| 303 | 304 | 13 Apr. 1935; 11 Dec. 1933-1935? Victor Hugo (engraved) bet. 20 May 1935 and 5.0 |
| 808 | 304 | 4 March 1937; 50 May 1935-1937 |
| | | (quasi-regulars, the typographed stamp replacing the |
| | | 1F25 olive Paix of Laurens and replaced by the engraved |
| | | value, suppressed in 1937). |
| | | Usage (Tariff of 18 July 1932): |
| | | Letters, to 20 gm, incl. COD service charge (re- |
| | | couvrements) (domestic); |
| | | Registry fee (domestic); |
| | | Letters, from 20 to 50 gm, to Canada and Luxembourg. |
| | | 1F50 values |
| 244 | 245 | American Legion issued 15 Sept. 1927-5 Apr. 1928 |
| 257 | 265 | B. I. T. Congress issued 23 Apr7 May 1930 0.5 |
| 261 | 273 | Colonial Expo. ("Fachi") 20 Nov. 1930-26 Feb. 1931; Dec. 1930-Nov. 1931 |
| | | (a quasi-regular that interrupted printings of the 1F50 |
| | | Pasteur in 1930-31). |
| 262 | 274 | Colonial Expo. (large format) issued 25 AprNov. 1931 |
| 294 | 294 | Dove of Peace 26 Jan28 Feb. 1934; 20 Feb. 1934-? 6.0 |
| 297 | 297 | Jacques Cartier 7 July-7 Sept. 1934; 2.5 |
| 300 | 29 9 | July-21 Nov. 1934 S. S. Normandie 21 March-15 Apr. 1935; 20.0 |
| 600 | 200 | Apr. 1935-May 1936 |
| 300a | 300 | S. S. Normandie 14-26 May 1935; |
| 7.7.7.50 | | June 1936-23 Sept. 1937 |
| 304 | 305 | Richelieu 1-25 May 1935; 10.0 |
| | | 11 or 12 June 1935-23 Sept. 1937 |
| 312 | 317 | Vimy Memorial 10-24 July 1936; 5.0 |
| 014 | 010 | 26 July 1936-23 Sept. 1937 |
| 314 | 319 | Jean Jaurès 17 July-2 Sept. 1936; 8.0 30 July 1936-23 Sept. 1937 |
| C16 | 320 | South Atlantic Flight 28 July-11 Aug. 1936; 5.9 |
| 010 | 020 | 17 Aug. 1936-23 Sept. 1937 |
| 320 | 327 | Expo 1937 17-31 Aug. 1936; 16 Sept. 1936-13 Feb. 1937 |
| 321 | 328 | Peace 1-16 Sept. 1936; 1 Oct. 1936-23 Sept. 1937 |
| 322 | 334 | Chamonix ski meet 29 Dec. 1936-28 Jan. 1937; 4.9 |
| | * | 18 Jan23 Sept. 1937 |
| 324 | 336 | Paris Exposition 16 Feb1 July 1937; 30.0 15 March 1937-16 Nov. 1938 |
| 328 | 340 | Railway Congress 19 May-9 June 1937; 31 May 1937-? 2.4 |
| 020 | | Usage (Tariffs of 1 and 9 Aug. 1926): |
| | | Letters, to 20 gm (foreign), to 31 July 1937; |
| | | Registry fee (foreign), to 31 July 1937; |
| | | Registered letters, to 20 gm (domestic), to 17 July 1932. |
| | | 2F values |
| 299 | 301 | Breton River issued Feb. 1935-1936 20.0 |
| | | (This stamp was an addition to the "Monuments and |

299 301 Breton River issued Feb. 1935-1936 20.0
(This stamp was an addition to the "Monuments and Sites" issues, replacing the 2F Arc de Triomphe (Sc 263, Yv 258); printed from 28 Dec. 1934 until 16 Dec. 1935, and replaced by):

0.5

307 311 Daudet Windmill

18 March 1936-10 Oct. 1938; 27 Apr. 1936-Dec. 1938

(Another addition to that series, that was replaced by the 2F Arc de Triomphe d'Orange (Sc 342, Yv 389) in Dec. 1938).

Usage (Tariff of 18 July 1932 and Decree of 20 July 1932):
Registered letters, from 20 to 50 gm (domestic);
Registry fee (foreign).

Usage (Tariffs of 12 July and 1 Aug. 1987):

Registry fee (foreign); Supplementary value.

3F value

326 338 Mermoz 26 March-9 Apr. 1937 and 5-14 Jan. 1938; 5.75
22 Apr. 1937-May 1938
Used mainly as a supplementary value, particularly on airmail.

3F50 value

302 302 St.-Trophime d'Arles issued 27 Apr. 1935-1937 8.0

(This stamp, printed between 19 Feb. and 30 April 1935 and suppressed in 1937, may be considered an adjunct to the Monuments and Sites issues).

Foreign usage (Decree of 20 July 1932):

Registered letters, to 20 gm.

Foreign usage (Decree of 23 May 1929):

Airmail letters, to 10 gm, to French West Africa (until 11 July 1937);

Airmail letters to the Levant, Egypt, Tripolitania, etc. (until 31 July 1937).

10F value

C17 321 South Atlantic flight

29-31 July 1936; 17 Aug. 1936-23 Sept. 1937

Foreign usage (Decree of 24 April 1934):
Airmail letters, to 5 gm, to South America (until
17 Aug. 1937;

Supplementary value.

VI. The Paix of Laurens Issues of 1932-1941

Scott type A45

Designed by P. A. Laurens; engraved by A. Delzers

These issues, born in the Depression period of stable postal rates, consist of the then current middle values; certain stamps of the Sowers issues (Sec. III) and of the "Monuments and Sites" issues (Sec. V) and their replacements remained in force for the low and high denominations, respectively. All adhesive stamps of the Paix issues were printed from rotary plates; sheet stamps were issued in panes of 100 subjects.

30c

The 30c deep green (Scott 264, Yvert 280) replaced the 30c green Pasteur (Sc 189, Yv 174) in March 1933.

Usage (Tariffs of 1 Aug. 1926 and 6 April 1932):

*Printed matter, to 50 gm (foreign);

*Echantillons (samples), from 50 to 100 gm (domestic).

Printed in sheets (5 plates) from 12 Dec. 1932 to 13 Oct. 1937; vertical coils (rare) printed in 1934 (or 1932); rotary-plate precancels (Yv Préo 69) printed 1933 but not issued. Printings interrupted from Nov. 1933 to April 1934 for the printing of the 30c A. Briand (Sc 291, Yv 291). Domestic usage (Tariff of 12 July 1937):

Postal cards "of 5 words";

Visiting cards;

Newspapers, from 150 to 200 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate. Replaced by the 30c brown-red cameo Sower (Sc 174, Yv 360) in Nov. 1937.

40c

The 40c lilac (Sc 265, Yv 281) replaced the 40c ultramarine cameo Sower (Sc 180, Yv 237) in Jan. 1933.

Domestic usage (Tariffs of 9 Aug. 1926 and 18 July 1932):

*Postal cards;

Invoices, unsealed, to 20 gm.

Printed in sheets (15 plates) and stamped postal cards of Type I from 4 Oct. 1932 to 7 Aug. 1937; stamped postal cards (Type I) without prepaid replies (ACEP No. 100) printed 1932-37, with prepaid replies (Nos. 102, a) printed 1935-37. Vertical coils of Type II printed in 1932. Stamped postal cards of special Type III (ACEP No. 138) printed in early 1937.

(Rendered obsolete by Tariff of 12 July 1937 and suppressed.)

Flat-plate precancels (Yv Préo 70) applied to remainders of 1934-37 sheet printings and issued Dec. 1938-1939.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 17 Nev. 1938):

*Printed matter and échantillons, from 20 to 50 gm.

Precancels replaced by those of the 40c Mercure (Sc 362, Yv Préo 80) in July 1939.

45c

The 45c bistre (Sc 266, Yv 282) replaced the 45c lined Sower (Sc 143, Yv 197) in March 1933.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 18 July 1932):

Printed matter, from 100 to 200 gm.

Ordinary sheet stamps printed (3 plates) 24 Jan. 1933-18 Feb. 1937; rotary-plate precancels (Yv Préo 71) (upper part of stamp) printed 28 Nov.-7 Dec. 1932 and issued from Jan. 1933, and (lower part of stamp) printed 25 June 1934-21 Sept. 1936, issued same years.

Rendered obsolete by Tariff of 12 July 1937 and suppressed.

500

The 50c red (Sc 267, Yv 283) replaced the 50c red lined Sower (Sc 146, Yv 199) 18 Sept. 1932.

Usage (Tariffs of 9 Aug. 1926 and later decrees):

*Letters, to 20 gm (domestic);

Letter-cards (domestic):

Postal cards (to Luxembourg and Canada);

Visiting cards (foreign).

Summary of Printings

Type Format IA sheets (40½ plates)

Printing Dates
7 June 1932-15 July 1986

For details on mixed and isolated types, see Bibliography (i.e., Boblique, 1972).

| IA | sheets, ovpt. F.M. (flat-plate) (3 plates) 1933 |
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| IA | sheets, ovpt. F.M. (rotary-plate) (3 plates) 17 May 1934-16 April 1935 |
| IA | bocklets of 20, w. pubs (Yv 283a) (Braun 209-232) 7 Oct.? 1932- |
| | 9 Oct. 1933 |
| IA | stamped envelopes (ACEP No. 74) 1933-37 |
| IB | stamped envelopes (commems. and printed to order) 1933-34 |
| IIA | booklets of 20, w. pubs (Yv 283c) (Braun 233-259) 13 Oct. 1933- |
| | 8 Nov. 1935 |
| IIB | vertical coils 1933; issued from Sept. 1933 |
| IIB | stamped letter-cards (ACEP No. 55) 1932-37 |
| III | sheets (29½ plates) 21 May 1935-9 July 1937. |
| III | sheets, ovpt. F.M. (rotary-plate) (4 plates) 17 Aug. 1935-16 Apr. 1937 |
| III | booklets of 20, w. pubs (Yv 283e) (Braun 260-269) 26 May 1936- |
| | 7 July 1937 |
| IV | booklets of 20, w. pubs (Yv 283g) (Braun 270-280) 3 Sept. 1935- |
| | 22 Sept. 1936 |
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Domestic usage (Tariff of 12 July 1937):

Invoices, unsealed, to 20 gm.

Replaced by the 50c turquoise lined Sower (Sc 147, Yv 362) in 1938.

55c

The 55c violet (Sc 268, Yv 363) was issued in Oct. 1937; newly-created value following domestic Tariff of 12 July 1937:
Usage:

*Postal cards.

Printed in sheets of Type I (1 plate) from 9 Sept. 1937 to 7 Oct. 1938. Stamped postal cards of Type I (ACEP No. 142) printed from late 1937 to Dec. 1938; stamped postal cards with prepaid replies (No. 143) (Type II) printed in 1937-38, issued in 1938.

Rendered obsolete by Tariff of 17 Nev. 1938 and suppressed Dec. 1938.

50c/55c

Overprinted (Sc 401, Yv 478) by flat-plate on remainders of above sheet stamps; about 25.5 million issued from 21 or 25 Jan. 1941 to 16 Aug. 1941.

Usage (Tariffs of 1 Dec. 1939 and 1 Jan. 1940):

(as pairs): Letters, to 20 gm (domestic);

Printed matter, per 50 gm (foreign).

Possible domestic usage of any remainders (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

Printed matter and échantillons, to 20 gm;

Newspapers, non-bulk mailings, from 50 to 100 gm.

60¢

The 60c bistre (Sc 269, Yv 364) was issued in Nov. 1937, value having been reestablished by the domestic Tariff of 12 July 1937:

Usage:

Printed matter and échantillons, from 100 to 200 gm (domestic); Postal cards, to nearby areas of Belgium, Spain, and Switzerland (from 1 Aug. 1937 to 30 Nov. 1938).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 17 Nov. 1938):

*Printed matter and échantillons, from 50 to 100 gm.

Printed in sheets (1 plate) from 2 Oct. 1937 to 6 Dec. 1938; rotary-plate precancels (Yv Préo 72) printed 14 Dec. 1937-1 Dec. 1938, issued Jan. 1938 to 1940.

Replaced by the 60c Mercure (Sc 367, Yv 415) in March 1939; precancels continued to April 1940.

65c brown-violet; ultramarine

The 65c brown-violet (Sc 270, Yv 284) replaced the 65c olive green lined Sower (Sc 150, Yv 284) in Nov. 1933.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 6 April 1932):

Printed matter, from 200 to 300 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 12 July 1937):

Letters, to 20 gm.

Printed in sheets of Type I (6 plates) from 13 April 1933 to 30 July 1937; rotary-plate precencels (Yv Préo 73) (upper part of stamp) (2 plates) printed 13 March-10 April 1933, and (lower part of stamp) printed 29 July 1935-3 Aug. 1936.

Replaced by the 65c ultramarine (Sc 271, Yv 365) in Sept. 1937, after promul-

gation of Tariff of 12 July 1937.

Printed in sheets (Type I) (21 plates) from 16 July 1937 to 10 Nov. 1938; overprinted (rotary-plate) F.M. (4 plates) from 5 Oct. 1937 to 20 Oct. 1938; stamped envelopes of Type I (ACEP No. 75) printed and issued in 1938. Booklets of 20 with pubs (Type II) (Braun 281-293) printed from 1 Sept. 1937 to 23 Sept. 1938; stamped letter-cards of Type II (ACEP No. 56) printed Fall 1937 to late 1938. Vertical coils (Type III) printed in 1937.

Rendered obsolete by domestic Tariff of 17 Nov. 1938 and suppressed in Dec.

1938.

50c/65c ultramarine

Overprinted (Sc 402, Yv 479) on remainders of above sheet stamp (see 50c/55c, above); about 91.5 million stamps issued from 21 or 25 Jan. to 22 Sept. 1941.

75c

The 75c olive green (Sc 272, Yv 284A) replaced the 75c lined Sower (Sc 151, Yv 202) in Sept. 1932.

Usage (Tariffs of 9 Aug. 1926, 18 July 1932, and various decrees):

*#Letters, from 20 to 50 gm (domestic);

#Registry fee, for other than letters and parcels (domestic);

Letters, to 20 gm (to Luxembourg and Canada);

Airmail surtax, per 20 gm (within Europe).

Foreign usage (Decree of 1 Aug. 1937):

Postal cards (to Luxembourg and Canada, and nearby areas of Belgium, Spain, and Switzerland).

Printed in sheets (8 plates) between 28 July 1932 and 6 Jan. 1939.

Printings interrupted Oct.-Nov. 1933 for printing of the 75c Paul Doumer (Sc 292, Yv 292).

Left without normal franking value by Tariff of 12 July 1937, but continued as a supplementary value. Replaced by the 75c Mercure (Sc 369, Yv 416A) in July 1939, but not retired until 18 Feb. 1941.

50c/75c

Overprinted (Sc 403, Yv 480) on remainders of various printings of above stamp (see 50c/55c, above); about 19.7 million issued from 4 March to 22 Sept. 1941.

80c

The 80c orange (Sc 273, Yv 366) was issued in Oct. 1938, value having been reestablished by the domestic Tariff of 12 July 1937:

Domestic usage:

Printed matter and échantillons, from 200 to 300 gm;

Registry fee, for other than letters and parcels.

Printed in sheets (2 plates) from 16 June to 24 Oct. 1938 (orange), and from 7 Nov. 1939 to 3 Jan. 1940 (orange-yellow). Rotary-plate precancels (Yv Préo 75) printed (1 plate) 25-26 July 1938; precancels suppressed upon promulgation of domestic Tariff of 17 Nov. 1938 (which also made the ordinary stamp temporarily obsolete).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939):

Postal cards.

Replaced by the 80c red-brown Iris (Sc 375, Yv 431) in Jan. 1941, but not retired until 18 Feb. 1941.

50c/80c

Overprinted (Sc 405, Yv 481) on remainders of the 1938-40 printings (see 50c/55c, above); about 7.9 million issued from 4 or 8 March to 16 August 1941.

90c carmine red

The 90c carmine red (Sc 274, Yv 285) replaced the 90c Berthelot (Sc 242, Yv 243) in Sept. 1932.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1926):

*Postal cards.

Printed in sheets (1 plate) from 10 Aug. 1932 to 7 Oct. 1933. Stamped postal cards (ACEP No. 101) printed in 1932-35; stamped postal cards with (No. 104, 104b) and without (No. 105) prepaid replies printed Fall 1935.

Sheet stamps replaced by the 90c Le Puy-en-Velay (Sc 290, Yv 290) Sept. 1933.

90c green; ultramarine

The 90c green (Sc 275, Yv 367) replaced the 90c Col de l'Iseran (Sc 234, Yv 358), 27 Oct. 1938.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 12 July 1937):

*Letters, from 20 to 50 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 17 Nov. 1938):

Letters, to 20 gm.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1938?):

Small packages, per 50 gm.

Printed in sheets of Type I (2 plates) from 9 Sept. to 15 Nov. 1938.

Replaced by the 90c ultramarine (Sc 276, Yv 368) in Dec. 1938, following promulgation of domestic Tariff of 17 Nov. 1938.

Printed in sheets of Type I (15 plates) from 15 Nov. 1938 to 26 Sept. 1939, overprinted (rotary-plate) F. M. (1 plate) 2-19 May 1939; overprinted (rotary-plate) "F" (1 plate) 9-11 May 1939; booklets of 20 with pubs (Type I) (Braun 294-297) printed 20 Dec. 1938-3 Aug. 1939; stamped envelopes (Type I) (ACEP No. 76) printed and issued in 1939. Vertical coils of Type II printed in 1939. Stamped letter-cards of special Type III (ACEP No. 59 and 60) printed in Spring and Summer 1939.

Rendered obsolete by Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939 and suppressed, but not retired

until 18 Feb. 1941.

50c/90c ultramarine

Overprinted (Sc 406, Yv 482) on remainders and on sheets from two additional plates of above sheet stamps (see 50c/55c, above); about 168.5 million issued from 8 March to 22 Sept. 1941.

1F orange

The 1F orange (Sc 277, Yv 286) replaced the 1F blue lined Sower (Sc 154, Yv 205) in March 1933.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926):

Letters, from 50 to 100 gm.

Printed in sheets of Type I (1 plate) from 15 March 1933 to 20 Dec. 1934, and of Type II (2 plates) between 22 Feb. 1935 and 9 Sept. 1937.

Rendered temporarily obsolete by domestic Tariff of 12 July 1937 and suppressed.

80c/1F orange

Provisional issue overprinted (Sc 333, Yv 359) on the above sheet stamps, following Tariff of 12 July 1937:

Domestic usage:

Printed matter and échantillons, from 200 to 300 gm.

Flat-plate overprints (Surch. I) applied to sheets of Type I 1934 printings and issued in Nov. 1937; same Surch. I applied to sheets of Type II 1935 and 1937 printings and issued in late 1937. Rotary-plate precancels (Yv Préo 74) printed (Type II stamps with flat-plate surcharge I) 24 Aug.-2 Nov. 1937, issued from Oct. 1937. Special provisional printing of rotary-plate overprints (Surch II) on sheets of Type II stamps (1 plate) were made 12-14 April 1938.

Replaced by the 80c orange (Sc 273, Yv 366) in Oct. 1938.

1F rose

The 1F rose (Sc 278, Yv 369) was issued in Dec. 1937, following the foreign Tariff of 1 Aug. 1937:

Usage:

*Postal cards (including airmail service to certain European countries) (until 31 Dec. 1939);

Letters, to 20 gm (to Canada and Luxembourg).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 17 Nov. 1938):

#Printed matter and échantillors, from 100 to 200 gm (until 4 Jan. 1942).

Printed in sheets of Type II (3 plates) from 14 Sept. 1937 to 7 April 1939; rotary-plate precancels (Yv Préo 76) printed (1 plate) 7-15 Dec. 1938, issued from Jan. 1939 to 4 Jan. 1942; stamped postal cards (ACEP No. 144, a) printed in summer and Fall 1938.

Adhesive stamps replaced by the 1F green Iris (Sc 377, Yv 432) in May 1939; precancels not suppressed until 5 Jan. 1942.

1F25 olive

The 1F25 olive (Sc 279, Yv 287) was issued in Oct. 1932, value having been reestablished by the domestic Tariff of 18 July 1932:
Usage:

Letters, to 20 gm, incl. COD service charge (recouvrements) (domestic):

Registry fee (domestic);

Letters, from 20 to 40 gm (to Luxembourg and Canada).

Printed in sheets (1 plate), 19 Sept.-9 Nov. 1932 only.

Replaced by the 1F25 typographed Victor Hugo (Sc 293, Yv 293) in Dec. 1933.

50c/1F25 olive

Overprinted (Sc 298, Yv 298) on remainders of above stamp and issued Nov. 1934.

Usage (Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926 and later decrees):

Letters, to 20 gm (domestic);

Postal cards (to Luxembourg and Canada).

1F25 rose carmine

The 1F25 rose carmine (Sc 280, Yv 370) was issued in Jan. 1939, following the foreign Tariff of 1 Dec. 1938:

Foreign usage:

*Postal cards;

Letters, to 20 gm (to Luxembourg and Canada);

Letters, additional fee, per increments of 20 gm.

Domestic usage (in effect during 1939):

Airmail letters, to 20 gm (France and Corsica).

Printed in sheets (1 plate) from 11 Jan. to 31 March 1939.

Rendered obsolcte following foreign Tariff of 1 Jan. 1940 and suppressed, but not retired until 18 Feb. 1941.

1F/1F25 rose carmine

Overprinted (Sc 407, Yv 483) on remainders of above stamp; about 11 million issued from 18 March to 16 August 1941.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939):

Letters, to 20 gm;

Registry fee, for other than letters and parcels.

1F40

The 1F40 bright red violet (Sc 281, Yv 371) was issued in March 1939; value having been reestablished by the domestic Tariff of 17 Nov. 1938:

Domestic usage:

Printed matter and échantillons, from 200 to 300 gm.

Printed in sheets (1 plate) from 17 Jan. to 2 Feb. 1939; rotary-plate precancels (Yv Préo 77) printed 18 Jan. to 6 Feb. 1939, issued Feb. 1939 to Feb. 1941.

Suppressed and retired 18 Feb. 1941.

1F/1F40

Overprinted (Sc 408, Yv 484) on remainders of above stamps (see 1F/1F25, above); about 7.6 million issued from 18 March to 16 Aug. 1941.

1F50

The 1F50 blue (Sc 282, Yv 288)) replaced the 1F50 Pasteur (Sc 195, Yv 181) in July 1932.

Foreign usage (Tariffs of 1 and 9 Aug. 1926):

*#Letters, to 20 gm;

#Registry fee.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 12 July 1937):

Registry fee.

Printed in sheets (3 plates) between 30 May 1932 and 21 June 1938; printing interrupted in Jan.-Feb. 1934 for printing of the 1F50 Dove of Peace (Sc 294, Yv 294).

Kendered obsolete by Tariffs of 1 Aug. 1937 and 17 Nov. 1938 and suppressed by end of 1938.

1F/1F50

Overprinted (Sc 409. Yv 485) on remainders of 1934-38 printings of above stamp (see 1F/1F25, above); about 12.5 million issued from 8 March to 16 August 1941.

1F75

The 1F75 lilac-rose (Sc 283, Yv 289) was issued in Oct. 1932; newly-created value following domestic Tariff of 18 July 1932:

Domestic usage:

*Registered letters, to 20 gm (until 11 July 1937).

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1937):

Letters, to 20 gm (incl. airmail letters to certain European countries)

Invoices, unsealed, to 250 gm;

Printed matter and échantillons, from 200 to 250 gm.

Printed in sheets (2 plates) between 12 Sept. 1932 and 22 Dec. 1937. Replaced by the 1F75 Ceres (Sc 335, Yv 372) in Feb. 1938.

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(Unless specified otherwise, first dates given refer to the printing, and second dates to period of issue).

50c value

ACEP 77 La Marseillaise envelope; printed 1937, issued 1940.

Printed during period of the 50c rate for domestic letters (Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926) and prior to 11 July 1937 (tariff at 65c); additional postage was necessary at time of issue: 50c more for domestic letters, 2F more for foreign letters, of single weight (Tariffs of 1 Dec. 1939 and 1 Jan. 1940).

55c values

| | | | No. | . printed |
|-------|------|--------------|---|-----------|
| Scott | Yver | t | Dates of Printing; Dates of Issue (in | millions) |
| 341 | 378 | Gambetta | 17 March 1 April 1938; 2 April-16 Nov. 193 | 8 4.5 |
| 351 | 397 | La Fontaine | e 21 June-5 July 1938; 8 July 1938-1 June 194 | 0.6 |
| ACEP | 145 | Anglo-French | Friendship postal card. Issued 22 July 193 | 8 |
| | | Domestic | usage (Tariff of 12 July 1937): | |

*Postal cards.

Rendered obsolete by Tariff of 17 Nov. 1938. I can find no valid postal reason for retention of the La Fontaine to this late date given by Joany (1969).

70c values

| ACEP | 152 | N. Y. World Fair postal card | Issued | 1939 | |
|------|-----|--------------------------------------|----------------|------|-----|
| ACEP | 154 | Arc de Triomphe postal card | Issued | 1939 | |
| 291 | 443 | Strasbourg Cathedral 7-16 June 1939; | 23 June-5 Oct. | 1939 | 4.0 |
| 394 | 448 | Languedoc 21-31 Aug. 1939; 26 Dec | . 1939-28 Nov. | 1940 | 4.0 |
| | | Domestic usage (Tariff of 17 Nov | . 1938): | | |

*Postal cards;

#Airmail surtax on letters from 20 to 50 gm, within France and Corsica.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939):

Postal cards, illustrated, more than 5 words of message; Invoices, unsealed, to 20 gm.

80c value

ACEP 155 Arc de Triomphe postal card Issued 1940 Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939).

90c values

334 358 Iseran Pass 6 Sep. 1937-9 Sep. 1938; 4 Oct. 1937-Oct. 1938 30.0 A regular, of Monuments and Sites lineage, which replaced

| | the Le Puy-en-Velay (Sc 290, Yv 290) and was in turn replaced by the green Paix of Laurens (Sc 275, Yv 367). | |
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| | Domestic usage (Tariff of 12 July 1937): Letters, from 20 to 50 gm. | |
| 371 | 425 Battleship "Clemenceav" 15-24 March 1939; 4.0 | 0 |
| 389 | 442 StGregoire-de-Tours 11-23 May 1939; 10 June-5 Oct. 1939 4. | 0 |
| 390 | Oath of the Tennis Court 6-16 June 1939; | |
| | 20 June-5 Oct. 1939 4.0 | |
| 392 | 445 Verdun 2-13 June 1939; 23 June-5 Oct. 1939 4.6 | |
| 393 | 449 Pau 31 July-17 Aug. 1939; 25 Aug. 1939-28 Nov. 1940 4. | |
| 395 | 450 Lyons 1-28 Aug. 1939; 26 Dec. 1939-28 Nov. 1940 4.0 Domestic usage (Tariff of 17 Nov. 1938): *Letters, to 20 gm. | 0 |
| | Rendered obsolete by Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939; little normal | |
| | usage for the Pau, none for the Lyons, both of which | |
| | would require additional stamps if to be used on mail. | 23. |
| | Series for a comment of the series of the se | |
| ACEI | 146 Anglo-French Friendship postal card Issued 22 July 1938 | |
| | Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1937) (until 30 Nov. 1938) | |
| | 1F25 value | |
| | and the second s | 4.7 |
| ACE | 153 S. S. Normandie postal card Issued 1939 Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1938) (until 31 Dec. 1939). | |
| | 1F75 values | |
| 332 | 357 U. S. Constitution, 1 Sep6 Oct. 1937 & 14-17 Jan. 1938; 17 Sept. 1937-16 Nov. 1938 10. | c |
| 349 | 396 Soccer Championships 17-24 May 1938; | |
| 350 | 1 June-16 Nov. 1938 0.5 388 Champagne 12-20 May and 21 June 1938; | |
| 352 | 1 or 13 June-16 Nov. 1938 3.400 Anglo-French Friendship 9 June-5 July 1938; | 5 |
| | 19 July 1938-1 June 1940 4. Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1937): | 0 |
| | *Letters, to 20 gm (incl. airmail letters to certain European countries); | |
| | Invoices, unsealed, to 250 gm; | |
| | Printed matter, from 200 to 250 gm. | |
| | Rendered obsolete by Tariff of 1 Dec. 1938; Anglo-French | |
| | Friendship stamp presumably retained for wartime | |
| | propaganda purposes. | |
| | 2F value | |
| 342 | 389 Arc de Triomphe d' Orange 7 Nov19 Dec. 1938; 15 Dec. 1938-39 10.0 | n |
| | A 'quasi-regular' of Monuments and Sites type, it re- placed the Daudet Windmill (Sc 307, Yv 311) | 0 |
| | | |
| | and was replaced by the 2F Ceres (Sc 336, Yv 378) | |
| | beginning in March 1939. | |
| | Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1938): | |
| | Letters, from 20 to 40 gm, to Canada and Luxembourg | |
| | Airmail surtax on letters to 10 gm, to certain Asian countries. | |
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2F15 value

543 390 Miners 12 March-21 Oct. 1938; 20 April-Dec. 1938 14.0 (a newly-created regular value, following promulgation of domestic Tariff of 12 July 1937):

Domestic usage:
*Registered letters, to 20 gm.

Rendered obsolete by domestic Tariff of 17 Nov. 1938 and suppressed.

1F/2F15

Overprinted (Sc 410, Yv 489) by flat plate on remainders of above stamp; about 14.5 million issued from 2 Dec. 1940 to 16 Aug. 1941.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939):

*Letters, to 20 gm;

Registry fee, for other than letters and parcels.

2F25 values

| 370 | 421 | Cezanne, 15 Feb1 Mar. 1939; 15 Mar. 1939-1 June 1940 | 1.2 |
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| 372 | 426 | N. Y. World Fair 28 Mar12 April 1939; | |
| | | 18 April 1939-May 1940 | 4.0 |
| 374 | 427 | Photography Centennial 30 March-13 April 1939; | |
| | | 24 April 1939-1 June 1940 | 2.9 |
| 388 | 430 | Liege Expo. 5-17 May 1939; 22 May 1939-1 June 1940 | 4.0 |
| | | Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1938): | |
| | | *Letters, to 20 gm (incl. airmail letters to certain | |
| | | European countries); | |

Printed matter, from 200 to 250 gm;

Invoices, unsealed, to 250 gm.

Left without specific usage by Tariff of 1 Jan. 1940, but remained on sale until stocks (and the Republic) were exhausted.

2F50 value

373 458 N. Y. World Fair, 4-8 May 1940; 10 June 1940-18 Feb. 1941 2.0 Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1940):

*Letters, to 20 gm;

Printed matter, from 200 to 250 gm;

Registry fee.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926):

Special delivery (exprès) fee.

3F Avignon

The 3F Avignon (Sc 344, Yv 391), a "quasi-regular" of Monuments and Sites type, was printed 18 May-26 Sept. 1938 and issued 20 June 1938-early 1939, whereupon it was replaced by the 3F Ceres (Sc 340, Yv 376). Originally issued as a supplementary value.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 12 July 1937):

Letters, from 400 to 500 gm.

Possible foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1938):
Airmail letters, to 20 gm. to those parts of Europe
where airmail surtax was in effect.

5F Carcassonne

The 5F Carcassonne (Sc 345, Yv 392), a regular of the Monuments and Sites line, was printed 1 March 1938-20 May 1940,

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and issued 20 April 1938 to 1941. It replaced the 5F Mont-St.-Michel (Sc 250, Yv 260) and was replaced by the 5F Hotel-Dieu de Beaune (Sc 420, Yv 499). Originally issued and mainly used as a supplementary high value.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 17 Nov. 1938):

Letters, from 500 to 1000 gm.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1940):

*Registered letters, to 20 gm;

Special delivery (exprès) fee.

2F50/5F

Overprinted (Sc 411, Yv 490) by flat plate on remainders of above stamp; about 3.3 million issued from 17 May to 16 Aug. 1941.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1940):

*Letters, to 20 gm.

Printed matter, from 200 to 250 gm;

Registry fee.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926):

Special delivery (exprès) fee.

10F Vincennes

The 10F Vincennes (Sc 346, Yv 393) was a regular which replaced the 10F La Rochelle (Sc 252, Yv 261); printed from 12 April 1938 to 12 Dec. 1939, and issued from 16 May 1938 to 1941, when it was replaced by the 10F Angers (Sc 421, Yv 500). Originally issued and mainly used as a supplementary high value.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 17 Nov. 1938):

Printed matter, from 2500 to 3000 gm.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1938):

#Airmail surtax on letters to 10 gm, to the U.S. and Canada

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1940):

Letters, from 100 to 120 gm;

Printed matter, from 950 to 1000 gm.

5F/10F

Overprinted (Sc 412, Yv 491) by flat-plate on remainders of above stamp; 982,500 stamps issued from 15 Apr. to 16 Aug. 1941.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1940):

*Registered letters, to 20 gm;

Special delivery (exprès) fee.

20F Saint-Malo

The 20F Saint-Malo (Sc 347, Yv 394) was another regular, which replaced the 20F Pont-du-Gard (Sc 254A, Yv 262); printed between 26 April 1938 and 16 May 1940, and issued from 16 May 1938 to 1941; replaced by the 20F Aigues-Mortes (Sc 422, Yv 501). Issued as a supplementary high value.

10F/20F

Overprinted (Sc 413. Yv 492) by flat-plate on remainders of above stamp; about 1.415 million stamps issued between 4 March and 16 Aug. 1941. (See the 10F Vincennes, above, for possible foreign usage).

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50F Ader

The 50F Ader (Sc 348, Yv 398) was a "quasi-regular" and had the highest face value of any French postage stamp issued up to that time; printed between 28 Feb. 1938 and 26 April 1940, and issued from 16 June 1938 until replaced by the 50F Guynemer (Sc 396, Yv 461) in Nov. 1940. Issued as a supplementary high value and used mainly on airmail.

20F/50F

Overprinted (Sc 414, Yv 493) by flat-plate on remainders of above stamp; about 420,000 stamps issued from 23 or 24 Jan. 1941.

Used as a supplementary high value.

VII. The Ceres, Mercure, and Iris Issues of 1938-1945

In 1938 the postal authorities decided to replace the remaining members of the long-lived Sower family, the entire Paix of Laurens issue, and certain high cost large-format engraved stamps, with new typographed-only designs. The first to appear were of a modified classical Ceres design, which replaced the 1F75 Laurens and the engraved "Monuments and Sites"; the low values, to the 75 centimes value, were replaced by the Mercury-head design, and the intermediate values by the Iris design. These very Republican stamps suffered nearly total eclipse during the days of the Vichy French State, though some were triumphantly resurrected by the Provisional Government.

All adhesive stamps for sheets (plus the single booklet and coil values) were printed from rotary plates; flat plates were used for surcharges and for stamped postal stationery.

In regard to the tariffs in force, I wish to point out that by this time, the domestic tariff rates also applied to the colonies and protectorates (and since World War II, to the French Union) and to Andorra and Monaco. Samples (échantillons) are no longer specified inasmuch as, beginning with the domestic Tariff of 12 July 1937, they were paying rates identical to those for printed matter of the same weight scale.

A. The Ceres Issues of 1938-1941

Scott type A81

1F75

The 1F75 deep blue (Scott 335, Yvert 372) replaced the 1F75 Paix of Laurens (Sc 283, Yv 289) on 2 Feb. 1938.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1937):

*Letters, to 20 gm (incl. airmail letters to certain European countries)
Invoices, unsealed, to 250 gm;

Printed matter, from 200 to 250 gm.

Printed in UPU color in sheets (1 plate) from 13 Jan. to 3 Nov. 1938. Rendered obsolete by foreign Tariff of 1 Dec. 1938 and suppressed.

1F/1F75

Overprinted (Sc 397, Yv 486) by flat-plate on remainders of above stamp; about 22.5 million issued from 2 Dec. 1940 to 16 Aug. 1941.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939):

Letters, to 20 gm;

Registry fee, for other than letters and parcels.

2F

The 2F carmine-rose (Sc 336, Yv 373) replaced the 2F Arc d'Orange (Sc 342, Yv 389), was issued March 1939.

Originally issued as a supplementary value.

Printed in sheets at Paris from 23 Jan. to 7 June 1939, and at Limoges (same, plus an additional plate) from 25 Jan. to 18 April 1940.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939):

Registry fee, for letters and parcels;

Airmail letters, incl. surtax, to 10 gm (to Algeria, Morocco, and Tunisia):

Registered printed matter, from 100 to 200 gm.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1940):

Printed matter, from 150 to 200 gm;

Letters, from 20 to 40 gm (to Luxembourg and Canada).

Probably remained on sale until stocks were exhausted.

2F25

The 2F25 ultramarine (Sc 337, Yv 374 was issued 1 Feb. 1939, value having been reestablished by the foreign Tariff of 1 Dec. 1938:

Usage:

*Letters, to 20 gm (incl. airmail letters to certain European countries)
Printed matter, from 200 to 250 gm;

Invoices, unsealed, to 250 gm.

Printed in UPU color in sheets (1 plate) from 16 Jan. to 29 June 1939. Rendered obsolete by foreign Tariff of 1 Jan. 1940 and suppressed

1F/2F25

Overprinted (Sc 398, Yv 487) by flat-plate on remainders of above stamp (see 1F/1F75, above); about 26.6 million issued from 25 Jan. to 16 Aug. 1941.

2F50 green

The 2F50 green (Sc 338, Yv 375) was issued in Jan. 1939; value having been reestablished by the domestic Tariff of 17 Nov. 1938:

Domestic usage:

*Registered letters, to 20 gm (until 30 Nov. 1939);

#Special delivery (exprès) fee.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1938):

#Registry fee.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1940):

*Letters, to 20 gm;

Printed matter, from 200 to 250 gm.

Printed in sheets (1 plate) at Paris from 13 Jan. to 22 June 1939, and at Limoges from 27 Sept. to 21 Oct. 1939.

Replaced by the 2F50 violet-blue (Sc 339, Yv 375A) in October 1940, following promulgation of the foreign Tariff of 1 Jan. 1940, and suppressed.

1F/2F50 green

Overprinted (Sc 399, Yv 488) by flat-plate on remainders of above stamp (see 1F/1F75, above); about 10 million issued from 4 Mar. to 16 Aug. 194i.

2F50 violet-blue

The 2F50 violet-blue (Sc 339, Yv 375A) replaced the 2F50 green in Oct. 1940. Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1940):

*Letters, to 20 gm;

Printed matter, from 200 to 250 gm; Registry fee.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 9 Aug. 1926):

Special delivery (exprès) fee.

Printed in UPU color in sheets at Limoges (3 plates) from 25 May to 10 June 1940, and at Paris (1 plate) 11-18 June 1941.

Replaced by the 2F50 ultramarine Petain (Sc 444, Yv 520) in Oct. 1941.

3F

The 3F rose-lilac (Sc 340, Yv 376) replaced the 3F Avignon (Sc 344, Yv 391) in April 1939.

Originally issued as a supplementary value.

Possible usage (foreign Tariff of 1 Dec. 1938):

Airmail letters, to 20 gm (those parts of Europe where airmail surtax was in effect).

Printed in sheets at Paris (2 plates) from 7 Feb. to 24 Aug. 1939, at Limoges (1 Paris plate plus 3 additional plates) from 18 Nov. 1939 to 31 May 1940, and at Paris (2 new plates) from 10 Feb. to 6 Sept. 1941.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939):

*Registered letters, to 20 gm.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1940):

Printed matter, from 250 to 300 gm.

Replaced by the 3F orange Petain (Sc 445, Yv 521) in Oct. 1941.

VII. B. The Mercure Issues of 1938-1945

(Republique Française, Postes Françaises, and Paris "RF" overprints)
Scott type A93

Designed by Hourriez

1c

The 1c sepia (Scott 353, Yvert 404) replaced the 1c cameo Sower (Sc 156, Yv 277B) 10 May 1939.

Domestic usage (Tariffs of 1 Sept. 1937 and 17 Nov. 1938):

Newspapers, to 75 gm, special bulk rate, within department of origin;

Complementary value.

Printed in sheets (2 plates) from 19 Dec. 1938 to 14 March 1939, and from 3 March to 22 Sept. 1941.

Probably suppressed following promulgation of domestic Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942.

2c

The 2c deep green (Sc 354, Yv 405) replaced the 2c cameo Sower (Sc 157, Yv 278) 9 March 1939.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 12 July 1937):

#*Newspapers, to 75 gm, special bulk rate.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 17 Nov. 1938):

Electorial circulars and voting bulletins (unsealed), per 25 gm. Printed in sheets (2 plates) 19-29 Dec. 1938 and from 13 July to 2 Sept. 1939. Probably suppressed following promulgation of domestic Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939.

5c

The 5c rose (Sc 355, Yv 406) replaced the 5c rose cameo Sower (Sc 161, Yv 278B) in late October 1938.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1937):

#*Newspapers, from 75 to 100 gm, special bulk rate;

#Newspapers, from 125 to 150 gm, special bulk rate, within department of origin.

Printed in sheets at Paris (3 plates) between 20 July 1938 and 27 March 1939, and at Limoges (from 3rd plate) from 25 Jan. to 9 March 1940.

Suppressed 23 Jan. 1942.

10c

The 10c ultramarine (Sc 356, Yv 407) replaced the 10c ultramarine cameo Sower (Sc 164, Yv 279) 17 October 1938.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1937):

#*Newspapers, from 125 to 150 gm, special bulk rate; #Newspapers, from 100 to 125 gm, non-bulk rate;

#*Newspapers, to 75 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate.

Printed in sheets at Paris (4 plates) from 10 Aug. to 26 Sept. 1938 and 4 Nov. 1938 to 24 Feb. 1939, at Limoges (1 Paris plate plus 3 new ones) between 27 Sept. 1939 and 25 April 1940, and at Paris (1 Limoges plate plus 2 new ones) from 27 Jan. to 22 April 1942.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

Complementary value.

Replaced by the 10c "Postes Francaises" of same design (Sc 455, Yv 546) 1 Nov. 1942.

Printed in sheets (8 plates) between 22 July 1942 and 3 Feb. 1945, issued from 1 Nov. 1942 to 12 May 1945; about 226 million printed.

Flat-plate "RF" overprints (Sc 499, Yv 657) applied at Paris to sheets of the 1942-44 printings, and issued 27 Nov. 1944-Feb. ? 1945.

Replaced by the 10c "Broken Chains" (Sc 524, Yv 670) in Feb. 1945.

15¢

The 15c orange-red (Sc 357, Yv 408) replaced the 15c cameo Sower (Sc 165, Yv 189) in December 1938.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Sept. 1937):

#Newspapers, from 150 to 200 gm, special bulk rate;

#Newspapers, from 75 to 100 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate.

Printed in sheets (1 plate) from 26 Sept. to 4 Nov. 1938.

Replaced by the 15c orange-brown (Sc 358, Yv 409) 3 April 1939.

Printed in sheets (same plate) from 27 March to 1 June 1939.

Suppressed in March 1941.

20c

The 20c lilac (Sc 359, Yv 410) replaced the 20c rose-lilac cameo Sower (Sc 167, Yv 190) 17 Oct. 1938.

Domestic usage (Tariffs of 12 July and 1 Sept. 1937):

*Printed matter, to 20 gm;

#Newspapers, from 100 to 125 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate; #Newspapers, from 200 to 250 gm, non-bulk rate;

Visiting cards, w/o written messages.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1937):

Newspapers, to 20 gm, special reciprocal bulk rate.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 17 Nov. 1938):

#*Printed matter, to 20 gm, special bulk rate.

Printed at Paris in sheets of Type I between 24 Aug. 1938 and 27 July 1939 (5 plates) and from 19 Nov. to 12 Dec. 1941 (2 plates); rotary-plate precancels (Yv Préo 78) printed at Paris (3 plates) from 16 Nov. 1938 to 6 June 1939, at Limoges (1 plate) during 18-27 May 1940, and at Paris (2 plates) from 14 May to 5 Sept. 1941. Rotary-plate precancelled coils of Type II (scarce) were printed in 1939.

Precancels suppressed following promulgation of domestic Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942; ordinary stamps replaced by the 20c Petain (Sc 427, Yv 505) from 4 Dec. 1941.

25c

The 25c green (Sc 360, Yv 411) replaced the 25c yellow-brown cameo Sower (Sc 169, Yv 235) in early November 1938.

Domestic usage (Tariffs of 12 July and 1 Sept. 1937):

Printed matter, from 20 to 50 gm;

#Newspapers, from 125 to 150 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1937):

#Newspapers, from 20 to 50 gm, special reciprocal bulk rate.

Printed in sheets at Paris (6 plates) from 8 Aug. to 8 Sept. 1938 and from 21 Nov. 1938 to 27 May 1939; at Limoges (last Paris plate plus 3 new ones) from 20 or 29 Sept. 1939 to 12 June 1940.

Suppressed in March 1941.

30c

The 30c red (Sc 361, Yv 412) replaced the 30c brown-red cameo Sower (Sc 174, Yv 360) 22 Feb. 1939.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 17 Nov. 1938):

#*Printed matter, to 20 gm;

#Newspapers, from 400 to 450 gm, special bulk rate;

#Newspapers, from 150 to 200 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate;

#Visiting cards, w/o written messages.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1938):

#Newspapers, to 20 gm, special reciprocal bulk rate.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

Newspapers, from 100 to 150 gm, special bulk rate.

Frinted in sheets (Type I) at Paris (3 plates) from 15 Feb. to 9 Aug. 1939, at Limoges (last Paris plate plus 2 new ones) 2-6 Oct. 1939 and from 18 Jan. to 12 June 1940, and at Paris (2 new plates) between 15 Sept. 1941 and 6 March 1942; rotary-plate precancels (Yv Préo 79) printed (1 plate) 22-24 Sept. 1941, issued Oct. 1941 and suppressed upon promulgation of domestic Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942. Coils of Type II printed in 1939.

Printings coincided in Oct. 1941 with those of the 30c Petain (Sc 428, Yv 506), which was issued between 25 Oct. 1941 and 2 March 1942.

Replaced by the 30c "Postes Francaises" of same design and color (Sc 456, Yv 547) in Dec. 1942.

Printed in sheets (3 plates) between 14 Sept. 1942 and 29 Jan. 1945, issued from 15 Dec. 1942 to 12 May 1945; about 55 million printed.

Flat-plate "RF" overprints (Sc 500, Yv 658) applied at Paris to sheets of the 1942 and 1943 printings and issued 27 Nov. 1944 to early 1945.

Replaced by the 30c "Broken Chains" (Sc 525, Yv 671) in Feb. 1945.

40c

The 40c violet (Sc 362, Yv 413) was issued early in 1939, following promulgation of domestic Tariff of 17 Nov. 1938:

Domestic usage:

#*Printed matter, from 20 to 50 gm;

#*Postal cards "of 5 words";

#Newspapers, from 250 to 300 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate.

Printed in sheets at Paris from 10 Jan. to 2 Sept. 1939, at Limoges (2nd Paris plate plus 1 new one) from 14 Dec. 1939 to 21 March 1940,

and at Paris (same 2nd Paris plate plus 2 new ones) from 6 Sept. to 24 Dec. 1941 and from 6 Jan. to 13 May 1942; rotary-plate precancels (Yv Préo 80) printed at Paris (1 plate) 7-12 June 1939, at Limoges (same plate) 13-18 May 1940, and at Paris (1 plate) 30 Jan. to 28 May 1942; precancels issued July 1939.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

*Printed matter, to 20 gm, special bulk rate;

Newspapers, to 50 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate: Newspapers, from 150 to 200 gm, special bulk rate.

Printings coincided in Fall 1941 with those of the 40c Petain (Sc 429, Yv 507), which was issued between 30 Oct. 1941 and 2 March 1942.

Replaced by the 40c "Postes Francaises" of same design and color (Sc 451,

Yv 548) in Nov. 1942.

Printed in sheets (4 plates) between 29 Aug. 1942 and 8 Dec. 1944, issued from 15 Dec. 1942 to 12 May 1945; rotary-plate precancels (Yv Préo 81) printed (3 plates) between 3 April 1943 and 3 April 1944, issued July 1943 until rendered obsolete by domestic Tariff of 1 March 1945. About 73 million ordinary and precancelled stamps printed.

Flat-plate "RF" overprints (Sc 501, Yv 659) applied at Paris to sheets of the

1944 printings and issued 27 Nov. 1944-early 1945.

Concurrently in use with the 40c "Broken Chains" (Sc 526, Yv 672) early in 1945. Rendered obsolete by domestic Tariff of 1 March 1945; probably remained on sale until stocks were exhausted.

45e

The 45c yellow-green (Sc 363, Yv 414) was issued 17 Jan. 1939 following promulgation of foreign Tariff of 1 Dec. 1938:

Foreign usage:

*Printed matter, per 50 gm; *Postal cards "of 5 words";

#Visiting cards:

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Newspapers, from 50 to 100 gm, special reciprocal bulk rate.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 17 Nov. 1938):

Newspapers, from 300 to 350 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate.

Frinted in UPU color in sheets (1 plate) from 4 Jan. to 11 May 1939.

Rendered largely obsolete by foreign Tariff of 1 Jan. 1940; probably used until stocks were exhausted.

50c blue; green

The 50c blue Mercure (Sc 364, Yv 414A) replaced the 50c turquoise lined Sower (Sc 147, Yv 362) 24 June 1939; issued as a complementary value.

Printed in sheets (1 plate) at Paris from 5 May to 4 Sep. 1939, and at Limoges from 20 Sept. to 6 Oct. 1939.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1940):

Printed matter, per 50 gm;

Newspapers, from 50 to 100 gm, special reciprocal bulk rate

Replaced by the 50c green (Sc 365, Yv 414B), in UPU color for foreign printed matter, 25 Jan. 1941.

Possible domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

Printed matter, to 20 gm.

Printed in sheets at Limoges (plate of the blue) 10-25 April 1940, and at Paris (new plate) from 20 Sept. 1940 to 7 Aug. 1941.

Replaced by the 50c Petain (Sc 431, Yv 508) in Nov. 1941.

50c turquoise

The 50c turquoise (Sc 366, Yv 538) replaced the 50c Petain (Sc 431, Yv 508) 7 Feb. 1942.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

*Printed matter, to 20 gm;

Newspapers, from 50 to 100 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate; Newspapers, from 200 to 300 gm, special bulk rate.

Printed in sheets (3 plates) from 21 Jan. to 28 April 1942; rotary-plate precancels (Yv Préo 82) printed (2 plates) from 29 Jan. to 11 June 1942, issued 1 March 1942 until suppressed upon promulgation of domestic Tariff of 1 March 1945. About 125 million ordinary and precancelled stamps printed.

Replaced by the 50c "Postes Francaises" of same design and color (Sc 458, Yv

549) 6 Aug. 1942.

Printed in sheets (11 plates) between 22 July 1942 and 9 Jan. 1945, issued from 6 Aug. 1942 to 12 May 1945; from 1 March 1945, used primarily as a complementary value in occupied territory. About 504 million printed.

Flat-plate "RF" overprints (Sc 502, Yv 660) applied at Paris to sheets of 1943 and 1944 printings and issued 27 Nov. 1944-early 1945.

Replaced by the 50c "Broken Chains" (Sc 527, Yv 673)) in Feb. 1945.

600

The 60c orange-red (Sc 367, Yv 415) replaced the 60c Paix of Laurens (Sc 269, Yv 364) 14 March 1939.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 17 Nov. 1938):

#*Printed matter, from 50 to 100 gm.

Printed in sheets at Paris (1 plate) from 27 Feb. to 13 July 1939; rotary-plate precancels (Yv Préo 83) printed at Limoges (same plate) from 11 March to 12 April 1940, issued April 1940, and suppressed 17 Sept. 1941.

Domestic usage (remainders of ordinary stamps) (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

Postal cards and visiting cards "of 5 words";

Newspapers, from 100 to 150 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate.

Replaced by the 60c Petain (Sc 432, Yv 509) in Feb. 1942.

70c

The 70c rose-lilac (Sc 368, Yv 416) was issued 17 Jan. 1939; newly-created value following domestic Tariff of 17 Nov. 1938:

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939):

Invoices, unsealed, to 20 gm;

Illustrated postal card (address and message on one side only).

Printed in sheets of Type IA at Paris (5 plates) from 30 Dec. 1938 to 2 Sept. 1939, and at Limoges (last Paris plate plus K+L) 19-30 Sept. 1939 and 4 April-24 Aug. 1940; stamps from plate K+L, printed 12 April-24 May and 9-24 Aug. 1940, show the cut NE corner of Type IB. Rotary-plate coils of Type II (rare) printed in 1939. Stamped postal cards of Type II (ACEP No. 149) printed in spring and summer of 1939.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

Printed matter, from 20 to 50 gm;

Newspapers, from 150 to 200 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate. Remainders replaced by the 70c blue Petain (Sc 433, Yv 510), beginning in December 1941.

75c.

The 75c orange-brown (Sc 369, Yv 416A) replaced the 75c Paix of Laurens (Sc 272, Yv 284A) 20 July 1939; issued as a complementary value. Printed in sheets (1 plate) from 28 March to 27 April 1939.

Suppressed in March 1941.

50c/75c

Overprinted (Sc 404, Yv 477) by flat-plate on remainders of above stamp; about 12.8 million issued from 15 April to 22 Sept. 1941.

Usage (Tariffs of 1 Dec. 1939 and 1 Jan. 1940):

(as pairs): Letters, to 20 gm (domestic);

Printed matter, per 50 gm (foreign);

Newspapers, from 50 to 100 gm, special reciprocal bulk rate (foreign).

1F

The 1F (blue) Mercure exists only on stamped letter-cards (ACEP No. 61), printed in 1940.

Usage (domestic Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939):

Letter-cards, to 20 gm.

VII. C. The Iris Issues of 1939-1945

Scott Type A99 Designed by Hourriez

80c red-brown

The 80c red-brown (Scott 375, Yvert 431) replaced the 80c orange Paix of Laurens (Sc 273, Yv 366) 25 January 1941.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939):

*Postal cards.

Printed in sheets at Limoges (1 plate) 24 Jan. 1940 and 16 April-30 May 1940, and at Paris (new plate) 2-26 Sept. 1940. Stamped postal cards, without (ACEP No. 157, 157A, and 159) and with prepaid reply (No. 158) issued in 1940 and 1941. To these may be added the 4 stamped postal cards, stamp in brown and without value tablet, sold at 90c (ACEP No. 160-163), and issued in 1941.

Replaced by the 80c brown Petain (Sc 435, Yv 512) in Sept. 1941.

80c yellow-green

The 80c yellow-green (Sc 376, Yv 649) replaced the 80c green Petain (Sc 436, Yv 513) in September 1944.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Feb. 1942):

*Printed matter, per 50 gm;

Visiting cards.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

Newspapers, from 200 to 300 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate.

Printed in UPU color in sheets (1 plate) 20 Sept.-5 Dec. 1944, and issued 22 Sept. 1944.

Replaced by the 80c bright green Cérès de Mazelin (Sc 530, Yv 675) in Feb. 1945.

1F green; red

The 1F green (Sc 377, Yv 432) replaced the 1F rose Laurens (Sc 278, Yv 369) 24 May 1939.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 17 Nov. 1938):

*Printed matter, from 100 to 200 gm.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Aug. 1937):

*Postal cards (incl. airmail service to certain European countries) (until 31 Dec. 1939);

Letters, to 20 gm (to Canada and Luxembourg).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939):

Letters, to 20 gm;

Registry fee, for other than letters and parcels;

Printed matter, from 100 to 200 gm.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1940):

Postal cards (to Canada and Luxembourg, and to nearby areas of Belgium, Spain, and Switzerland);

Printed matter, from 50 to 100 gm.

Printed in sheets at Paris (1 plate) 8 May-28 July 1939; at Limoges (11 plates) 7 Oct.-16 Dec. 1939 and 16 April-6 August 1940.

Used concurrently with and eventually replaced by the 1F red Iris (Sc 378, Yv 433) issued in July 1940, in the UPU color for postal cards.

Printed in sheets at Limoges (7 plates of the green stamp plus 1 new one) from 15 Dec. 1939 to 16 April 1940 and 3-24 Aug. 1940, and at Paris (2 Limoges plates plus 3 new ones) from 17 Sept. 1940 to 21 July 1941; sheets for unissued booklets printed at Limoges, 1-15 Feb. 1940; stamped letter-cards (ACEP No. 62) issued in 1940; stamped envelopes (ACEF No. 78) issued in 1941.

The concurrent printing and usage of the 1F value in green and in red is probably best explained by R. Bath (quoted in Lebland, 1967), and translated here: "After the armistice of 1940, the Germans insisted that the 'green' be used only in the unoccupied zone, and the 'red' in the North zone. This was effective so long as the stocks of green stamps printed at Limoges were not exhausted. This measure permitted the Germans to observe more readily any clandestine transfer of correspondence from one zone to the other . . . (by not prepaying postage, one could easily surmount this difficulty). The interzone postal cards without adhesive stamps served as another measure against espionage."

Replaced by the 1F red Petain (Sc 437, Yv 514) in August 1941.

1F turquoise

The 1F turquoise (Sc 379, Yv 650) replaced the 1F Petain (Sc 437, Yv 514) in Sept. 1944; served only as a complementary value.

Printed in sheets (2 plates) from 10 Sept. 1944 to 8 Feb. 1945; issued 21 Sept. 1944.

Replaced by the 1F rose-red Cérès de Mazelin (Sc 532, Yv 676) in Feb. 1945.

1F20

The 1F20 violet (Sc 380, Yv 651) replaced the 1F20 red-brown Petain (Sc 438, Yv 515) 28 September 1944.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

*Postal cards;

*Invoices (factures), unsealed, to 20 gm;

Printed matter, from 50 to 100 gm.

Printed in sheets (2 plates) from 24 Sept. 1944 to 23 Jan. 1945, issued 28 Sept. 1944; stamped postal card (ACEP No. 178) issued in 1944.

Replaced by the 1F20 black-brown Cérès de Mazelin (Sc 533, Yv 677) in Feb. 1945.

1F25

Printed in UPU color only on stamped postal cards (ACEP No. 150) in June 1939.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1938):

Postal cards.

1F30

The 1F30 ultramarine (Sc 381, Yv 434) was issued in January 1940; newlycreated value following promulgation of domestic Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939: Domestic usage:

*Letters, from 20 to 50 gm.

Printed in sheets at Limoges (1 plate) 15-22 Dec. 1939 and 13 April-8 May 1940. Rendered obsolete by domestic Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942 and suppressed.

1F50 red-orange

The 1F50 red-orange (Sc 382, Yv 435) was issued in March 1941, value having been reestablished by the foreign Tariff of 1 Jan. 1940:

*Postal cards;

Letters, to 20 gm (to Canada and Luxembourg and to nearby areas of Belgium, Spain, and Switzerland);

Printed matter, from 100 to 150 gm.

Printed in sheets at Limoges (1 plate) 22-29 April 1940, and at Paris (1 new plate) 15-24 March 1941; stamped postal cards (ACEP No. 156) issued in 1940.

Replaced by the 1F50 rose Petain (Sc 439, Yv 516) in December 1941.

1F50 red-brown

The 1F50 red-brown (Sc 383, Yv 652) replaced the 1F50 red-brown Petain (Sc 440, Yv 517) beginning in Sept. 1944.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

*Letters, to 20 gm.

Printed in sheets (12 plates) from 28 Aug. 1944 to 5 Feb. 1945 and issued 5 Sept. 1944. Printed and used concurrently with the 1F50 carmine-rose Marianne de Gandon (Sc 535, Yv 712).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 March 1945):

Postal cards.

Both values replaced by the 1F50 rose-lilac Cérès de Mazelin (Sc 534, Yv 679) in July 1945.

2F

The 2F violet-brown (Sc 384, Yv 653) replaced the 2F green Petain (Sc 441, Yv 518) in November 1944.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

*Letters, from 20 to 50 gm;

Registry fee, for other than letters and parcels;

Printed matter, from 100 to 200 gm.

Printed in sheets (2 plates) from 23 Oct. 1944 to 1 March 1945, issued 6 Nov. 1944.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 March 1945):

Letters, to 20 gm;

Printed matter, from 50 to 100 gm.

Replaced by the 2F dark green Marianne de Gandon (Sc 536, Yv 713) beginning in Feb. 1945.

2F40

The 2F40 carmine-rose (Sc 385, Yv 654) replaced the 2F40 red Petain (Sc 443,

Yv 519) beginning in October 1944.

Foreign usage Tariff of 1 Feb. 1942):

*Postal cards:

Letters, to 20 gm (to Canada and Luxembourg, and to nearby areas of Belgium, Spain, and Switzerland);

Letters, additional postage per 20 gm.

Printed in UPU color in sheets (1 plate) 2 Oct.-6 Dec. 1944, issued 4 Oct. 1944; stamped postal cards (ACEP No. 179) issued in 1944.

Replaced by the 2F40 scarlet Marianne de Gandon (Sc 537, Yv 714) beginning in July 1945.

3F

The 3F red-orange (Sc 386, Yv 655) replaced the 3F red-orange Petain (Sc 445, Yv 521) in November 1944.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

Registry fee, for letters and parcels;

Letters, from 50 to 100 gm.

Printed in sheets (2 plates) from 26 Oct. 1944 to 5 Jan. 1945, issued 10 Nov. 1944.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 March 1945):

Letters, from 20 to 50 gm;

Registry fee, for other than letters and parcels;

Printed matter, increments of 500 gm, between 1000 and 1500 gm. Replaced by the 3F sepia Marianne de Gandon (Sc 539, Yv 715) beginning in April 1945.

AF

The 4F ultramarine (Sc 387, Yv 656) replaced the typographed 4F ultramarine Petain (Sc 446, Yv 521A) beginning in October 1944.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Feb. 1942):

*Letters, to 20 gm;

Letters, from 20 to 40 gm (to Canada and Luxembourg, and to nearby areas of Belgium, Spain, and Switzerland);

Registry fee, for letters and parcels;

Invoices, unsealed, to 250 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan 1942):

Letters, from 100 to 200 gm.

Printed in UPU color for letters in sheets (2 plates) from 10 Oct. 1944 to 2 Jan. 1945, issued 11 Oct. 1944.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 March 1945):

Letters, from 50 to 100 gm;

Registry fee, for letters and parcels.

Replaced by the 4F ultramarine Marianne de Gandon (Sc 541, Yv 717) beginning in June 1945.

VIII. Issues of the French State (1941-1944)

One is tempted to editorialize at length upon this sad period in recent French history, but we shall mercifully turn immediately to the study of the stamps themselves. For those readers who wish to inquire into the "story behind the stamps," we heartily recommend Hoisington's interesting article.—

[—]Hoisington, W. A., Jr., (1972): "Politics and postage stamps: The postal issues of the French State and Empire, 1940-1944," French Historical Studies, v. 7, no. 3, p. 349-367, Seattle, Wash.

immodestly perhaps, inasmuch as our name is conspicuously mentioned in it. Unless otherwise stated, printing methods and the geographic applications of the domestic tariff are as noted in the introduction to Section VII. Stamps bearing Petain's effigy were suppressed by DeGaulle's decree of 7 August 1944, effective 4 November 1944; this decree was enforced, of course, only in liberated territory.

A. Small format typographed Petain issues of 1941-1944

Scott type A114: designed and engraved by Jean Vital Prost.

Scott type A115: designed by Paul Lemagny, engraved by Georges Hourriez. Scott type A116: designed by Jean-Eugene Bersier, engraved by Jules Piel.

20c

The 20c rose-lilac (Scott 427, Yvert 505) replaced the 20c Mercure (Sc 359, Yv 410) beginning 4 Dec. 1941.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939):

*Newspapers, from 200 to 250 gm, bulk rate;

*Newspapers, from 100 to 125 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

Newspapers, from 50 to 100 gm, bulk rate.

Printed in sheets from 1 plate, 3-7 Nov. 1941; issued 4 Dec. 1941 to 14 March 1942; about 5.4 million stamps printed.

The 30c carmine-red (Sc 428, Yv 506) replaced the 30c Mercure (RF) (Sc 361, Yv 412) beginning 25 Oct. 1941.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939):

*Printed matter, to 20 gm;

Visiting cards, w/o written messages;

Newspapers, from 150 to 200 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

Newspapers, from 100 to 150 gm, bulk rate;

Newspapers, to 50 gm, non-bulk rate.

Printed in sheets from 1 plate, 6-30 Oct. 1941; issued 25 Oct. 1941 to 2 March 1942; about 37.95 million stamps printed.

Replaced by new printings of the 30c Mercure (RF) in March 1942.

40c

Althy in Alpha The 40c ultramarine (Sc 429, Yv 507) replaced the 40c Mercure (RF) (Sc 362, Yv 413) beginning 30 Oct. 1941.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939):

*Printed matter, from 20 to 50 gm;

Postal cards and visiting cards, "of 5 words."

Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

Newspapers, from 150 to 200 gm, bulk rate;

Newspapers, from 50 to 100 gm, non-bulk rate;

Newspapers, to 50 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate.

Printed in sheets from 1 plate, 18 Oct.-18 Nov. 1941; issued 30 Oct. 1941-2 March 1942; about 14.35 million stamps printed.

Replaced by new printings of the 40c Mercure (RF) in March 1942.

50c

The 50c green (Sc 431, Yv 508) replaced the 50c green Mercure (Sc 365, Yv 414B) beginning 26 Nov. 1941,

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1940):

*Printed matter, to 50 gm (until 4 Jan. 1942).

Printed in sheets of Type II from 2 plates, 8 Oct. 1941-23 Jan. 1942; issued 26 Nov. 1941-16 April 1942; about 93 million stamps printed.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

Printed matter, to 20 gm;

Newspapers, from 200 to 300 gm, bulk rate;

Newspapers, from 50 to 100 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate.
Replaced by the 50c turquoise Mercure (RF) (Sc 366, Yv 538) beginning 7 Feb. 1942.

60c

The 60c violet (Sc 432, Yv 509) replaced the 60c Mercure (Sc 367, Yv 415) 19 Feb. 1942.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

*Postal cards and visiting cards, "of 5 words";

Newspapers, from 100 to 150 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate. Printed in sheets from 4 plates between 2 Feb. 1942 and 24 Jan. 1944; issued 19 Feb. 1942-1 Sept. 1944; about 110.4 million stamps printed.

Replaced by the 60c Marianne d'Alger (Sc 481, Yv 634) in 1944.

70c blue: orange

The 70c blue (Sc 433, Yv 510) replaced the 70c Mercure (Sc 368, Yv 416) 4 Dec. 1941.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939):

Illustrated postal cards:

Invoices, unsealed, to 20 cm.

Demestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

*Printed matter, from 20 to 50 gm;

Newspapers, from 150 to 200 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate. Printed in sheets from 2 plates, 27 Oct. 1941-10 Jan. 1942; issued 4 Dec. 1941-16 April 1942; about 23.35 million stamps printed.

Replaced by the 70c orange (Sc 434, Yv 511) beginning 27 Jan. 1942. Printed in sheets from 2 plates, 20 Jan.-18 May 1942; issued 27 Jan. 1942-Nov. 1944; rotary-plate precancels printed 9-10 Feb. and 15-18 May 1942, issued 1 Mar. 1942-Nov. 1944; about 72.5 million stamps printed. Replaced by the 70c Marianne d'Alger (Sc 482, Yv 635) in 1944.

80c brown; green

The 80c brown (Sc 435, Yv 512) replaced the 80c red-brown Iris (Sc 375, Yv 431) 13 Sept. 1941.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939):

*Postal cards.

Printed in sheets of Type IA from 1 plate, 5 Sept.-18 Nov. 1941; issued 13 Sep. 1941-16 April 1942; about 35.75 million stamps printed. Stamped postal cards of Type IA (ACEP Nos. 164 and 165) issued in 1941; stamped postal cards of special Type IB, without (ACEP 167) and with prepaid reply (ACEP 168) issued in 1942; Nos. 165 and 167 were surcharged in 1942 (ACEP 169 and 170), to conform with new Domestic Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

Newspapers, from 200 to 300 gm, "ordinary" (individual) rate.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Feb. 1942):

*Printed matter, per 50 gm;

Visiting cards.

Replaced by the 80c green (Sc 436, Yv 513), in the UPU green for printed matter, beginning 27 Jan. 1942.

Printed in sheets from 1 plate, 19 Jan.-22 May 1942; issued 27 Jan. 1942-Sep. 1944; about 61.35 million stamps printed.

Replaced by the 80c yellow-green Iris (Sc 376, Yv 649) in Sept. 1944.

1F

The 1F red (Sc 437, Yv 514) replaced the 1F red Iris (Sc 378, Yv 433) 12 Aug. 1941.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939):

*Letters, to 20 gm;

Registry fee, for other than letters and parcels;

Printed matter, from 100 to 200 gm.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1940):

*Postal cards;

Printed matter, from 50 to 100 gm.

Printed in sheets from 16 plates, 1 Aug. 1941-17 April 1944; issued 12 Aug. 1941-Sept. 1944; about 963.9 million stamps printed. Stamped letter-cards (ACEP 63) and envelopes (ACEP 79) issued in 1942.

Used mainly as a complementary value following promulgation of Tariffs of 5 Jan. and 1 Feb. 1942.

Replaced by the 1F turquoise Iris (Sc 379, Yv 650) in Sept. 1944.

1F20

The 1F20 red-brown (Sc 438, Yv 515) was issued 21 Jan. 1942. Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

*Postal cards:

Printed matter, from 50 to 100 gm;

Invoices, unsealed, to 20 gm.

Printed in sheets of Type IIA from 12 plates, 12 Jan. 1942-27 May 1944; issued 21 Jan. 1942-Sept. 1944; rotary-plate precancels printed 31 Jan. 2 Feb. and 18 June 1942, issued 1 March 1942-31 Oct.? 1944; about 238.35 million stamps printed. Stamped postal cards of Type IIA without (ACEP 171 and 173; Privé 16, in four categories) and with prepaid reply (ACEP 172), and of special Type IIB, with prepaid reply (ACEP 175, 176, and 177), were issued in 1942; postal card 171 was overprinted "RF" (ACEP 180) in 1944.

Replaced by the 1F20 Iris (Sc 380, Yv 651) beginning on 28 Sept. 1944.

1F50 rose; red-brown

The 1F50 rose (Sc 439, Yv 516) replaced the 1F50 red-orange Iris (Sc 382, Yv 435) 17 Dec. 1941.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1940):

*Postal cards;

Printed matter, from 100 to 150 gm.

Printed in sheets from 5 plates, 13 Dec. 1941-29 Jan. 1942; issued 17 Dec. 1941-16 April 1942; about 265 million stamps printed.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

*Letters, to 20 gm.

Replaced by the 1F50 red-brown (Sc 440, Yv 517) beginning 14 Feb. 1942.

Printed in sheets from 73 plates, 28 Jan. 1942-9 June 1944; issued 14 Feb. 1942-Sept. 1944. Booklets of 20 stamps w/o pubs (Braun No. 40) printed 2 April-27 May 1942, issued in 1942; and with Secours National (National Relief Fund) pubs (Braun No. 299), printed between 3 July 1942 and 12 May 1943, issued in 1942-43. About 3,852.8 million stamps printed.

Replaced by the 1F50 red-brown Iris (Sc 383, Yv 652) in Sept. 1944.

1F50 ultramarine (+50 S.N.)

This stamp (Sc B134, Yv 552) was printed from one plate of the 1F50 redbrown, 12-26 Aug. 1942, and issued 14 Sept. 1942-25 May 1943, for the benefit of the Secours National; about 5.15 million stamps were printed. Used primarily for the domestic single-letter rate.

2F

The 2F green (Sc 441, Yv 518) replaced remainders of the 2F carmine--rose Ceres (Sc 336, Yv 373) beginning 27 Dec. 1941.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939):

Registry fee.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1940):
Printed matter, from 100 to 200 gm.

Possible usage(?): Letters, 20-40 gm, to nearby areas of Belgium, Spain, and Switzerland.

Printed in sheets from 5 plates, 15 Dec. 1941-10 March 1944; issued 27 Dec. 1941-Oct.? 1944; rotary-plate precancels printed from two of the plates, 4-5 Feb. and 29 May 1942, issued 1 March 1942-Oct.? 1944; about 226.4 million stamps printed.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

*Letters, from 20 to 50 gm;

*Printed matter, from 100 to 200 gm;

Registry fee, for other than letters and parcels.

Replaced by the 2F violet-brown Iris (Sc 384, Yv 653) in Nov. 1944.

2F40

The 2F40 carmine-red (Sc 443, Yv 519) was issued 20 March 1942 to meet the new rate for foreign postal cards.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Feb. 1942):

*Postal cards;

Letters, to 20 gm, to Canada and Luxembourg, and to nearby areas of Belgium, Spain, and Switzerland; Letters, additional increment per 20 gm;

Printed matter, from 100 to 150 gm.

Printed in sheets from 1 plate, 24 Feb.-31 March 1942; issued 20 March 1942-Oct. ? 1944; about 33.7 million stamps printed. Stamped postal cards (ACEP 174) issued in 1942.

Replaced by the 2F40 Iris (Sc 385, Yv 654) beginning in Oct. 1944.

2F50

The 2F50 ultramarine (Sc 444, Yv 520) replaced the 2F50 violet-blue Ceres (Sc 339, Yv 375A) 20 Oct. 1941.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1940):

*Letters, to 20 gm;
Registry fee.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939):

Special delivery (expres) fee.

Printed in sheets from 1 plate, 13 Oct.-8 Dec. 1941; issued 20 Oct. 1941-16 Apr. 1942; about 16.25 million stamps printed.

Rendered obsolete by Tariffs of Jan. and Feb. 1942 and eventually suppressed.

3F red-orange; black

The 3F red-orange (Sc 445, Yv 521) replaced the 3F Ceres (Sc 340, Yv 376) 14 Oct. 1941.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939):

*Registered letters, to 20 gm;

Letters, from 200 to 300 gm.

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1940):

Printed matter, from 250 to 300 gm.

Printed in sheets from 4 plates, 22 Sept. 1941-26 May 1944; issued 14 Oct. 1941-Oct. ? 1944; about 197 million stamps printed. Imprinted in black on pneumatic mail forms for the Caisse Nationale d'Épargne (ACEP 16) in 1943.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

Letters, from 50 to 100 gm;

Registry fee.

Replaced by the 3F Iris (Sc 386, Yv 655) in Nov. ? 1944.

4E

The 4F blue (Sc 446, Yv 521A) was issued 15 Dec. 1942, serving concurrently with the older 4F blue (engraved) (Sc 448, Yv 522).

Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Feb. 1942):

*Letters, to 20 gm:

Letters, from 20 to 40 gm, to Canada and Luxembourg, and to nearby areas of Belgium, Spain, and Switzerland;

Registry fee:

Invoices, unsealed, to 250 gm;

Printed matter, from 200 to 250 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

Letters, from 100 to 200 gm;

Printed matter, from 400 to 500 gm.

Printed in sheets of Type II from 4 plates, 25 Nov. 1942-25 April 1944; issued 15 Dec. 1942-Oct. 1944; about 200 million stamps printed.

Replaced by the 4F Iris (Sc 387, Yv 656) beginning in Oct. 1944.

4F50

The 4F50 green (Sc 447, Yv 521B) was issued 15 Dec. 1942, serving concurrently with the 4F50 green (engraved) (Sc 449, Yv 523).

Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

*Registered letters, to 20 gm.

Printed in sheets of Type II from 4 plates, 27 Nov. 1942-13 March 1944; issued 15 Dec. 1942-Oct. ? 1944; about 54.57 million stamps printed.

Replaced by the 4F50 Marianne d'Alger (Sc 491, Yv 644) in 1944.

5F blue

The 5F value was imprinted (Type II) in blue on stamped postal cards (ACEP 166) specially prepared for Christmas 1941 correspondence with P.O.W.s in Germany.

VIII.B. Small and large format engraved Petain issues of 1942-1943

Scott type A115: designed by Paul Lemagny, engraved by Pierre Gandon.

Scott types A117 and A118: designed by Bouguenec, engraved by Charles

Mazelin.

4F

The 4F blue (Sc 448, Yv 522) was issued 31 March 1942, following promulgation of the international Tariff of 1 Feb. 1942.

Foreign usage:

*Letters, to 20 gm;

Letters, from 20 to 40 gm, to Canada and Luxembourg, and to nearby areas of Belgium, Spain, and Switzerland;

Registry fee:

Invoices, unsealed, to 250 gm;

Printed matter, from 200 to 250 gm.

Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

Letters, from 100 to 200 gm;

Printed matter, from 400 to 500 gm.

Printed in sheets of 100 stamps from 11 March 1942 to 5 March 1943 (6 press runs); issued 31 March 1942-Oct. ? 1944; about 34.7 million stamps printed. Used concurrently, from 15 Dec. 1942, with the typographed value (Sc 446, Yv 521A).

Demonetized and suppressed in November 1944.

4F50

The 4F50 green (Sc 449, Yv 523) was issued 13 May 1942, following promulgation of the domestic Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942.

Domestic usage:

*Registered letters, to 20 gm.

Printed in sheets of 100 stamps from 16 April to 27 Oct. 1942 (4 press runs); issued 13 May 1342- Oct. ? 1944; about 29.1 million stamps printed. Used concurrently, from 15 Dec. 1942, with the typographed value (Sc 447, Yv 521B).

Demonetized and suppressed in November 1944.

5F

The 5F bluish green (Sc 450, Yv 524) replaced the 5F Beaune (Sc 420, Yv 499) beginning 8 June 1942; used mainly as a supplementary value. Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):

Letters, from 200 to 300 gm.

Printed in sheets of 100 stamps from 18 May to 7 Aug. 1942 (1 press run); issued 8 June 1942-Oct. 1944; about 9.55 million stamps printed. Used concurrently with the 5F Lyonnais (Sc 460, Yv 572) from 15 May 1943. Demonetized and suppressed in November 1944.

50F

The 50F black (Sc 451, Yv 525) replaced the 50F Guynemer (Sc 396, Yv 461) on 25 July 1942; used as a supplementary high value.

Printed in sheets of 25 stamps from 27 June 1942 to 6 July 1943 (3 press runs); issued 25 July 1942-Oct. ? 1944; about 1.35 million stamps printed. Demonetized and suppressed in November 1944.

| VIII.C | . Comm | emorative, propaganda, and high-value regular issues of | 1941-44 |
|---|---|--|----------------------|
| Scott | Yvert | | printed nillions) |
| | | 40c value | |
| 415 | 470 | Petain, 17-23 Dec. 40; 25 Jan16 Aug. 41 Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939): Printed matter, from 20 to 50 gm; Postal cards and visiting cards, "of 5 words." | 1.93 |
| | | 80c value | |
| 416 | 471 | Petain, 16-23 Dec. 40; 25 Jan16 Aug. 41 Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939): Postal cards. | 1.95 |
| | | 1F values | |
| 417 | 472 | Petain, 2-14 Dec. 40; 1 Jan16 Aug. 41 | 4.08 |
| 419 | 495 | Mistral, bet. 3 Jan. and 7 Feb. 41; 20 Feb16 Aug. 41 Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939): *Letters, to 20 gm; Registry fee, for other than letters and parcels; Printed matter, from 100 to 200 gm. Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1940): *Postal cards; Printed matter, from 50 to 100 gm. | 3.07 |
| | | 1F50 value | |
| 472 | 609 | Service Postal Ambulant ; 10 June-18 Nov. 44 Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942): Letters, to 20 gm. | 3.67 |
| | | 2F50 value | |
| 418 | 473 | Petain, 13-24 Dec. 40; 25 Jan16 Aug. 41 Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Jan. 1940): *Letters, to 20 gm; Registry fee. Domestic usage (Tariff of 1 Dec. 1939): Special delivery (exprès) fee. | 1.98 |
| | | 4F values | |
| 452 453 454 464 466 471 474 | 545 550 551 581 583 599 619 | Massenet ; 22 June-24 Oct. 42 Stendhal ; 14 Sept. 42-6 Feb. 43 Blondel ; 14 Sept. 42-6 Feb. 43 Lavoisier ; 5 July-23 Oct. 43 Hotel-Dieu-de-Beaune ; 21 July-23 Oct. 43 Branly ; 21 Feb9 June 44 Chappé ; 14 Aug18 Nov. 44 Foreign usage (Tariff of 1 Feb. 1942): *Letters, to 20 gm; Letters, from 20 to 40 gm, to Canada and Luxe and to nearby areas of Belgium, Spain, and Stand; | |

Registry fee;
Invoices, unsealed, to 250 gm;
Printed matter, from 200 to 250 gm.
Domestic usage (Tariff of 5 Jan. 1942):
Letters, from 100 to 200 gm;
Printed matter, from 400 to 500 gm.

The following regular and quasi-regular high-value stamps were printed and issued as supplementary values:

| 5F values | | | | | |
|------------|-----|---|------|--|--|
| 420 | 499 | Beaune bet. 1 March 41 and 19 March 42; | | | |
| 460 | 572 | | 2.86 | | |
| 400 | 312 | Lyonnais bet. 21 Apr. 43 and 28 Jan. 44; 15 May 43-9 June 44 39 | 9.50 | | |
| 467 | €02 | | 5.42 | | |
| | | | | | |
| 10F values | | | | | |
| 421 | 500 | Angers bet. 7 March 41 and 29 April 42; | | | |
| | | | 8.10 | | |
| 459 | 567 | Beffroi d'Arras bet. 31 Aug. 42 and 11 March 43; | | | |
| | | | 7.40 | | |
| 461 | 573 | Bretagne 10 Mar1 June 43; 26 Mar. 43-9 June 44 4 | 5.35 | | |
| 468 | 603 | Languedoc 15 Feb20 March 44; | | | |
| | | 27 March 44-24 Nov. 45 28 | 8.91 | | |
| 15F values | | | | | |
| 423 | 539 | Beaune bet. 17 Feb. and 29 April 42; | | | |
| 120 | 000 | - records | 0.33 | | |
| 462 | 574 | | 2.20 | | |
| 469 | 604 | | 3.49 | | |
| 473 | 610 | ngg kalan katana at kala a pama pana ang kalan kapkan ang a pamakan ang a | 2.50 | | |
| | | | | | |
| 20F values | | | | | |
| 422 | 501 | Aigues-Mortes bet. 14 Jan. 41 and 11 Jan. 43; | | | |
| | | 4 March 41-25 May 43 | 7.14 | | |
| 463 | 575 | Ile-de-France bet. 7 Apr. and 27 Oct. 43; | | | |
| | | 28 Apr.? 43-9 June 44 10 | 0.61 | | |
| 465 | 582 | Lac Lérié 10-28 May 43; 5 July 43-12 May 45 | 1.67 | | |
| 470 | 604 | Normandie 23-29 March 44 24 Apr. 44-2 Feb. 46? | 9.15 | | |

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NUMBERED KEY TO ILLUSTRATIONS OF THE TYPES AND SUBTYPES

NOTE: The well known Types I and II of the Sage and of the Blanc issues are not shown here. The types of the Monuments and Sites issues (Sec. V) are adequately described in standard catalogues. Types IA and IB, and IIA and IIB of the Pétain issues (Lemagny design) are not shown for there are no multiple types within any of the denominations, either among adhesive stamps or among postal stationery; hence, no possibility for confusion; they are described by de Lizeray (ref. 1960a, p. 4) and by Ginestet (ref. Dec. 1966 and Jan. 1967).

Key reads in sequence as follows:

Number of illustration. Denomination and design, type or subtype, (discoverer of same); brief description or localization; (source of illustration used here).

- (1.) 1c Sage IIA (Joany): no shadows on S and E of POSTE; SW corner deformed or broken.
- (2.) 1c Sage IIB (Joany): shadows on S and E; SW corner normal.
 (3.) 1c Sage IIC (Mignon): no shadows on S and E; SW corner normal; broken NW corner of value tablet; (1-3: mod. fr. Joany, 1967, p. 25).
 (4,7.) 2c Sage IIA (Joany): shadow on S and spot below R. side of horiz. of

T of POSTE; normal shading bet. value tablet and thigh of Mercury.

(5,7.) 2c Sage IIB (Joany): shadows on S and E of POSTE plus spot on E: striated shadow area bet. value tablet and thigh.

(6,7.) 2c Sage IIC (Joany): shadow on S of POSTE; normal shading bet. tablet and thigh; (4-7: Ginestet, Aug. 1967; mod. fr. Joany, 1963c,

- (8.) 5c Sage IIA (Joany): shadow on S of POSTE; SW part of value tablet normal.
- (9.) 5c Sage IIB (Joany): no shadows in POSTE; SW part of value tablet normal.
- (10,9.) 5c Sage IIC (Joany): shadow on E of POSTE; break in L. frame of value tablet; curl of SW of value tablet deformed by white spot; (8-10: Ginestet, Sept. 1967; Joany, 1963c, p. 51).

10c Sage IIA (Maury): no shadows in POSTE: other criteria normal: (subtype not illustrated).

(11,12.) 10c Sage IIB (Joany): broken frame line above A of FRANCAISE; shadows on S and E of POSTE.

(13.) 10c Sage IIC (Joany): line entire above the A; shadows on S and E of POSTE.

(14.) 10c Sage IID (Ginestet): shadow only on S of POSTE; (11-14: Ginestet, Sept. 1967)

(15.) 15c Sage IIA (Blanc): signature of SAGE partly illegible; damaged frame line under L of REPUBLIQUE; no shadows in POSTE.

15c Sage IIB (Joany): thin shadow on S of POSTE; signature normal. 15c IID (Joany): completely filled or only slightly striated shadow area bet. value tablet and thigh of Mercury; shadows in POSTE variable, according to plate-position states.

15c Sage IIE (Joany): identical to IID except that shadow area bet. value

tablet and thigh distinctly striated.

- 15c Sage IIF (Joany): shadow only on S of POSTE, stronger than that of IIB, IIG, and IIH; shadow area bet. value tablet and thigh as for
- 15c Sage IIG (de Lizeray): thin shadow on S of POSTE, similar to IIB; thin outer frame line; arms of Mercury indistinctly outlined.

15c Sage IIH (Joany): shadow only on S of POSTE; signature of SAGE partly "lined-out"; (15: Joany, 1963c, p. 60).

(16.) 25c Sage IIS (S. Rich): all shadows present on S and E of POSTE; generally poor impression.

(17.) 25c Sage IIA (S. Rich): shadow only on S of POSTE; (16-17: med. fr.

Joany, 1963c, p. 68).

(18.) 1c Blanc IA (de Vinck): shading line at base of ISE of FRANCAISE of normal thickness; white line "below" it thins towards the E.

1c Blanc IB (Tournemine): shading line thin; white line even; (18: cat. Monteaux).

(19.) 2c Blanc IA (de Vinck): spot on robe L. of foot joins 2 shading lines. 2c Blanc IB (Tournemine): spot small, straddles 1 shading line; (19: cat. Monteaux).

(20.) 2c Blanc IC (Joany): spot smaller than in IA, does not reach next shading line; (mod. fr. Joany, 1963a, p. 22).

(21.) 3c Blanc IA (de Vinck): notch in lower loop of 3; lower extremity of c of value triangular.

3c Blanc IB (de Lizeray): notch in lower loop of 3; lower extremity of c thin to pointed; (21: cat. Monteaux).

(22.) 3c Blanc IC (Ginestat): lower loop of 3 normal upper loop more recurved than in IA and IB; (Ginestet, April 1968).

(23,24.) 5c Blanc IA (de Vinck): see wingtips in NW corner; bonnet.

5c Blanc IB (de Vinck): id.; vert. spot on bonnet; (23-24: cat. Monteaux). (25.) 5c Blanc IC (Ginestet): lower loop of c of value more rounded, gener-

ally shows parasitic point inside; otherwise like IA; (Ginestet, April 1968).

(26.) 5c Blanc IIA (de Vinck): continuous line under foot.

5c Blanc IIB (J. Blanc): broken line under foot; (26: cat. Monteaux).

(27.) 10c Mouchon of 1900, I (de Vinck): base of 1 of value flat.
(28.) 10c Mouchon of 1900, II (de Vinck): base of 1 convex upward; (27-28:

cat. Monteaux).

(29.) 25c Mouchon of 1900, I (de Vinck), value tablet normal.

25c Mouchon of 1900, II (de Vinck): inner lower line of value tablet broken nr. SW corner; (29: cat. Monteaux).

(30,31.) 10c lined Sower I (de Lizeray): see R of REPUBLIQUE and 1 and

c of value.

10c lined Sower II (de Lizeray): id.

10c lined Sower III (de Lizeray): id.; (30-31: cat. Monteaux).

(32.) 15c lined Sower I (de Lizeray): white line at back of sower in 2 seg-

15c lined Sower II (de Lizeray): same as I, but MO of MOUCHON broken. 15c lined Sower III (de Lizeray): continuous single white line on back; spot on H of MOUCHON.

15c lined Sower IV (de Lizeray): continuous single white line on back;

otherwise similar to I.
15c lined Sower V (de Lizeray): no shadow at base of R of REPUBLIQUE;

15c lined Sower V (de Lizeray): no snadow at base of R of REPUBLIQUE, first O. of O.ROTY pear shaped; (32: cat. Monteaux).

(33,34.) 15c lined Sower VI (Charvet): similar to V but no shading across bonnet; E of POSTES differs; stamp slightly larger than for other types: (33-34: de Lizeray and Lebland, 1961, p. 42).

(35.) 50c lined Sower I (de Lizeray): only type w. spot in bonnet; shadow at base of R of REPUBLIQUE; in REPUBLIQUE FRANCAISE, inner portions of upper parts of Rs and As of equal size; (cat. Monteaux).

(36.) 50c lined Sower IIA (de Lizeray): shadow at base of R of REPUBLIQUE; "eve" of R of REPUBLIQUE; than that of R of FRAN; that of the

"eye" of R of REPUB larger than that of R of FRAN; that of the 2 As smaller than in Type I; thin upper frame line and very thin top shading line

50c lined Sower IIB (de Lizeray): as for IIA, but lines above REPUB-LIQUE FRANCAISE more uniform in thickness and more closely

spaced; (36: cat. Monteaux).

(37.) 50c lined Sower III (de Lizeray): no shadow at base of R; otherwise like II; (cat. Monteaux).

(38.) 50c lined Sower IV (de Lizeray): no shadow at base of R; 4th white line above grainsack thicker than normal; thick vert. color band inside L. frame line; commonly signed E. MOUCHON; (cat. Monteaux).

(39.) 75c lined Sower I (de Lizeray): 1 white line bet. c of value and point of

robe; (cat. Monteaux).

(40.) 75c lined Sower II (de Lizeray): 2 white lines; also minor diffs. in 7 and c of value; (cat. Monteaux).

10c Sower, thin inscriptions, I (Dumont): unretouched (not illustrated). (41.) 10c Sower, thin inscriptions, IIA (Dumont): retouched: white border around sower thicker and clearer (as per cut: cat. Monteaux).

10c Sower, thin inscriptions, IIB (Ginestet?): like IIA, but thicker white line back of robe; (not illustrated).

(42.) 10c Sower, thir inscriptions, III (de Lizeray): E of BLIQUE shaped like an E, instead of an F as in I and II; otherwise like IIA; (cat. Monteaux).

35c Sower, thin inscriptions, I (de Lizeray): unretouched (not illustrated). 35c Sower, thin inscriptions, II (de Lizeray): retouched (see cut 41).

(43.) 5c cameo Sower I (de Vinck): point forms base of Q of REPUBLIQUE; R. side of horiz. bar of 5 of value terminated by large triangle. 5c cameo Sower IIA (de Vinck): vert. bar forms base of Q; bar of 5 terminated by small triangle; (43: cat. Monteaux).

(44.) 5c cameo Sower IIB (de Lizeray): same as IIA, but 1 shading line of upper arm (see cut) present in I and IIA, is missing in IIB (44: cat. Monteaux).

5c cameo Sower III (de Vinck): Q as in II; c of value differs very slightly fr. I and II: (not illustrated) (used only for the rose stamp).

(45.) 10c cameo Sower IA (de Vinck): vert. bar forms base of Q of REPUB-LIQUE (may show as small point in poor impressions); c of value oval and flat on L., ends of c equidistant.

10c cameo Sower IB (de Lizeray): large dot forms base of Q; otherwise like IA; (45: cat. Monteaux).

(46.) 10c cameo Sower IC (Lebland): broken shading line in sowing hand; base of rear foot whiter; Q as in IA; (cat. Monteaux).

10c cameo Sower II (de Vinck): large dot forms base of Q; legs of R of

REPUB on same horiz.; generally larger inscriptions; (see cut 45). (47.) 10c cameo Sower III (de Vinck): vert. bar forms base of Q; L. side of c of value rounded, upper end extends further R. than does lower.

10c cameo Sower IV (de Vinck): Q as in III; L. side of c rounded, lower end extends further R.; thick I of value; (47: cat. Monteaux).

(48.) 15c cameo Sower IA (de Vinck): see 1 and 5 of value; (cat. Monteaux).

(49.) 15c cames Sower IB (Joany): like IA, except for minor diffs. in shading of R. elbow; (Joany, 1963a, p. 68).

(50.) 15c cameo Sower II (de Vinck): see 1 and 5 of value; (cat. Monteaux).

(51.) 20c cameo Sower I (de Vinck); note shape of 2 of value; minor, not always distinguishable features of robe; (cat. Monteaux).

(52.) 20c cameo Sower IB (Ginestet): see details A, B, C of robe; base of S of FRANCAISE nearly flat; 2 shading lines of R, hand are joined.

20c cameo Sower IC (Ginestet): like IB, but shading lines of hand not

joined; (52: Ginestet, June 1966). (53,54.) 20c cameo Sower III (de Lizeray): see details of robe; 2 of value as in I; base of S of FRANCAISE is raised.

20c cameo Sower IV (Lebland): see details of robe; 2 of value as in I and III; S as in III; (53: cat. Monteaux; 54: Ginestet, June 1966).

(55.) 20c cameo Sower V (ex-II of de Vinck): note shape of 2 of value; (cat.

20c cameo Sower VI (Joany): details of robe as in IV (see cut 53): larger stamp w. larger inscriptions than other types.

(56,57.) 25c cameo Sower IA (de Vinck): note shape of base of 2 and c of value; note inclination of ball at top of the 2; (56-57: cat. Monteaux).

(58.) 25c cameo Sower IB (Lebland): 2 and c similar to IA but thinner; note shape of ball of 2; (cat. Monteaux).

(59,60.) 25c cameo Sower II (de Vinck): note base and ball of 2 and shape of c; no shading in upper part of bonnet; (59-60: cat. Monteaux).

(61-63.) 25c cameo Sower IIIA (de Vinck): note base and ball of 2 and shape of c; inner vert. white band at L. side of stamp irregular in thickness; (61-62: cat. Monteaux; 63: mod. fr. Lizeray and Lebland, 1961, p. 46).

(61,62.) 25c cameo Sower IIIB (Lebland): identical to IIIA, except inner white band very thin and fairly regular.

(61,62,64.) 25c cameo Sower IIIC (J. Blanc): similar to IIIA but for form of R of FRANCAISE; (64: Lizeray and Lebland, 1961, p. 47).

(65-67.) 25c cameo Sower IV (de Vinck): note base and ball of 2, and details of robe; (65-67: cat. Monteaux).

(68.) 30c cameo Sower I (de Vinck): horiz, bar of 3 of value short, distant fr. L. frame.

30c cameo Sower IIA (de Vinck): bar of 3 long and ends close to frame; 0 of value large and round; upper curve of S of FRANCAISE open and weak.

30c cameo Sower IIB (Lebland, ex-III): similar to IIA, but upper curve of S strong and bent downward; (68: cat. Monteaux).

(69.) 30c cameo Sower IIC (J. Blanc): similar to IIA, but 1 shading line missing in front foot; (Lizeray, Blanc, and Lebland, 1962, p. 89).

(70.) 30c cameo Sower IID (Ginestet): similar to IIA, but base of S of FRAN-CAISE more recurved; inner and outer white bands of bottom frame equal in thickness: (Ginestet, June 1966).

(71.) 30c cameo Sower III (de Vinck): 0 of value thin and elongate; 3 roughly

intermediate bet. that of I and II; (cat. Monteaux).

30c cameo Sower IV (Lebland, ex-IIA bis): B of REPUBLIQUE larger, and I smaller, than the other letters; thick upper white band below top frame; high-rising ball of 3 of value; letters POSTES thin; signature O.ROTY is squat; (not illustrated).
(72.) 35c cameo Sower I (Barrier): top and bottom of first S of POSTES

open and nearly horiz.

35c cameo Sower II (Barrier): bottom curve of S larger and upswept, upper curve short and bent slightly upward; (72: cat. Monteaux).

(73.) 40c cameo Sower I (de Vinck): note shape of c of value. 40c cameo Sower II (de Vinck): id.; (73: cat. Monteaux).

(74.75.) 40c cameo Sower III (Ginestet): c of value like in II; 4 of value like in I; details of robe of III (at L.) differ fr. those of II (at R.); (74-75): Ginestet, July 1966).

(76.) 45c Pasteur I (Ginestet): note shape of 4 of value.

45c Pasteur II (Ginestet): id.; (76: Ginestet, Aug. 1966). (77.) 50c Pasteur I (Joany): note base of vert. bar of 5 of value.

50c Pasteur II (Joany): id.; (77: Joany, 1963a, p. 62).

(78.) 75c Pasteur I (Ginestet): note shape of 5 of value. 75c Pasteur II (Ginestet): id.; (78: Ginestet, Aug. 1966).

(79.) 1F Pasteur I (Joany): open curves of S of PASTEUR. 1F Pasteur II (Joany): upper curve of S more closed; (79: Joany, 1963a, p. 71).

(80.) 90c Berthelot I (Ginestet): S and E of FRANCAISE of same height; R. end of overlying white band extends to R. end of the E.

90c Berthelot II (Ginestet): S larger than the E; white band terminates over middle of the E; (80: Ginestet, Aug. 1966).

50c Jeanne d'Arc I (Lebland): shading lines through ORLEANS complete (not illustrated).

(81.) 50c Jeanne d'Arc II (Lebland): 2 shading lines thinned or broken; (Joany, 1969, p. 9). (82.) 50c Fachi I (de Vinck): note shading lines above forehead.

50c Fachi II (de Vinck): shading lines removed; (82: de Vinck, 1938, p.

(83) 40c Laurens I (J. Blanc): note R of FRANCAISE. 40c Laurens II (J. Blanc): id.; (83: Joany, 1963b, p. 16).

(84.) 40c Laurens III (Ginestet): note L. corner of 4 of value, and c of value; (Ginestet, Sept. 1966).
(85.) 50c Laurens IA (de Vinck): note shading below belt buckle, and c of

value; (cat. Monteaux).

(86.) 50c Laurens IB (Ginestet): like IA except frame line above U of REPUB

broken and spotted; (Ginestet, Sept. 1966).
(87.) 50c Laurens IIA (de Vinck): like IA except shape of c of value.
50c Laurens IIB (Joany): like IA, but bottom line thickened in middle; (87: cat. Monteaux).

(88.) 50c Laurens III (de Vinck): note shading below belt buckle.

50c Laurens IV (de Vinck): id.; (88: cat. Monteaux). (89.) 65c Laurens I (J. Blanc): white line below arm weak or missing; 2 dots in robe above Q of BLIQUE; (cat. Monteaux).
65c Laurens II (J. Blanc): white line present, thin and weak; 1 dot above

Q (not illustrated).

65c Laurens III (J. Blanc): white line strong; 1 dot above Q (not illustrated).

(90.) 90c Laurens I (Joany): L of LAURENS touches the A.

90c Laurens II (Joany): L separated from the A; (90: cat. Monteaux).

(91.) 90c Laurens III (Ginestet): fold (c) of robe, missing in I and II, present here; A. DELZERS further fr. bottom frame line and the A extends further L.; (Ginestet, Nov. 1966).

(92.) 1F Laurens I (Noël): no white in belt at L. of buckle. 1F Laurens II (Noël): white streaks L. of buckle; (92: cat. Monteaux).

20c Mercure I (Joany): c of value very thin (not illustrated). (93.) 20c Mercure II (Joany): c of value more visible; small dot in snake

where it crosses staff; protuberance at end of first S of POSTES; (adapted fr. Joany, 1962a, p. 43). (94.) 30c Mercure I (Joany): note 3 and c of value.

30c Mercure II (Joany): id.; (94: adapted fr. Joany, 1970, p. 15). (95,96.) 70c Mercure IA (Joany): normal NE corner; heavy shading lines in wing bet. snake's head and caduceus staff. 70c Mercure IB (Bath): truncated NE corner; otherwise like IA; (95:

Joany, 1970, p. 17; 96: Ginestet, Nov. 1966). (97.) 70c Mercure II (Joany): corner like IA; thinner shading in wing; pinched-in bottom of c of value; (adapted fr. Joany, 1970, p. 17).















