Local Currency Native Women

Continued public displeasure with currency exchange problems prompted the postal service to issue the Local Currency Native Women stamps in 1922-23. For the first time, definitive stamps were denominated solely in terms of the local currency, cents and piasters.



















Local Currency Native Women

Deviating from earlier Native Women series, only two designs were used for al the denominations. The Annamite woman was the central figure for the low values and the Cambodian woman was used for the higher values.

























Local Currency Native Women 1/10 cent Pane

The first printing of the 1/10-cent stamp was 1923. The millesime "3" identifies this pane as coming from the first year's printing.



Local Currency Native Women 4/5 cent Pane

The light lavender background is evident in the selvedge of this pane of 4/5-cent stamps.



Local Currency Native Women 1 cent Sheet



Local Currency Native Women 4 cent Pane

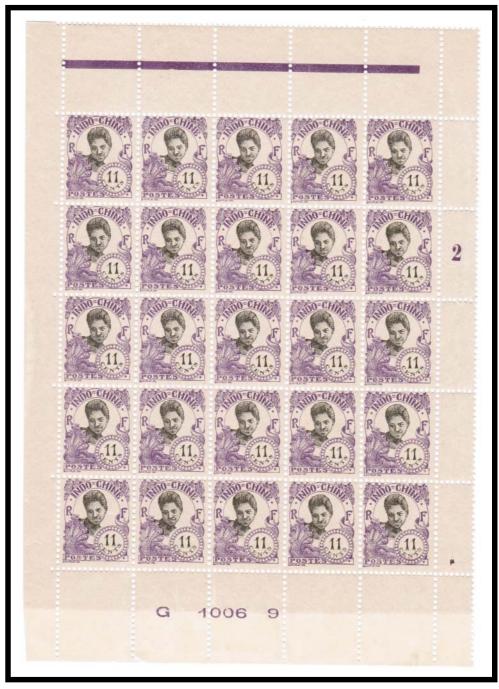
The bold lettering variety of the 4-cent stamp came from printings after 1921. There were annual printings through 1927.



BOLD LETTERING

Local Currency Native Women 11 cent Pane

Eleven cent stamps with both "bold" and "thin" lettering were printed in 1922.



BOLD LETTERING

Local Currency Native Women 12 cent Pane

Like the 11-cent value, the 12 cent denomination was printed with both types of lettering in 1922.



BOLD LETTERING

In the center of the second row of each pane of Local Currency Native Women stamps is a single digit that represents the year of printing. For instance, "3" signifies 1923. "4" signifies 1924, etc. The French term for these numerals is "millesimes."







































Thin Text









Thin Text



Thick Text

































Thin Text



Bold Text



Bold Text



Thin Text

















Local Currency Native Women Use of 1-cent Millesime

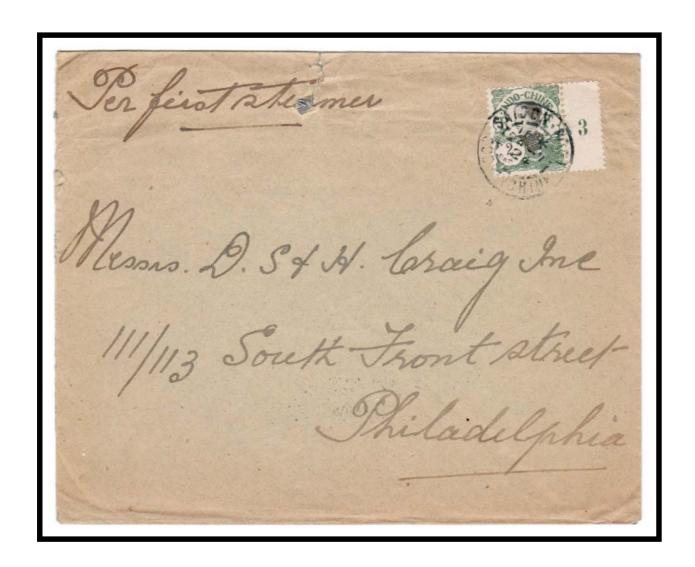
A 1-cent stamp was used to uprate with a 4-cent Local Currency Native Woman envelope for the local letter 5-cent rate. The 1 cent stamp carries the "6" millesime indicating that it was printed in 1926, the last printing before the Native Scenes definitive stamps replaced the Local Currency Native Women issues.



POSTAL MARKINGS
NINH-BINH 21-1 27
REVERSE
HANOI TONKIN 21-1 27

Local Currency Native Women Use of 2-cent Millesime

Here a 2-cent stamp from the 1923 printing of the Local Currency Native Women stamps paid the postage for an unsealed mailing to the United States in 1924.



POSTAL MARKINGS
SAIGON-PORT COCHINCHINE 24-7 24

Local Currency Native Women Lettering Varieties

The earliest printings of the 4, 5, 10, 11 and 12-cent stamps used thin lettering for the word "CENTS." All later printings used bold lettering, as did all other values of the series.

THIN LETTERING











BOLD LETTTERING











Local Currency Native Women Varieties

PERFORATION SHIFTS









IMPERFORATE



Local Currency Native Women Use of Perforation Variety

This example of the 4-cent stamp exhibits a 2 millimeter upward shift. Because the rate to France was 5 cents, the mailing was charged 10 centimes postage due.



POSTAL MARKINGS

TRAVINH COCHINCHINE 11-7 23

T in a triangle

REVERSE

SAIGON-CENTRAL COCHINCHINE 12-7 23

Local Currency Native Women 1/10-cent Double Impressions Variety





Local Currency Native Women Varieties

DOUBLE IMPRESSIONS







MULTIPLE IMPRESSIONS



BLURRED IMPRESSIONS















Local Currency Native Women Printing Misregistrations

























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Local Currency Native Women Printing Varieties

AROUND-THE-CLOCK SHIFTS IN COLOR ALIGNMENT









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Local Currency Native Women Printing Varieties

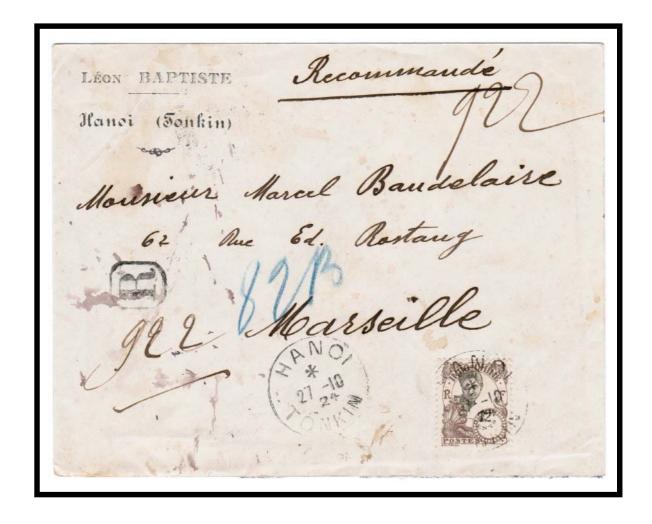
AROUND-THE-CLOCK SHIFTS IN COLOR ALIGNMENT





Local Currency Native Women Use of Printing Variety

The 12 cent stamp on this cover exhibits a notable misregistration between the brown frame and the black component of the stamp (image of Cambodian woman and the denomination). The 12 cent stamp had paid for regular postage as well as for the registration surcharge.



POSTAL MARKINGS

HANOI TONKIN 27-10 24
boxed R with manuscript registration number

REVERSE

ARRIVE MARSEILLE 27-11 24







































































































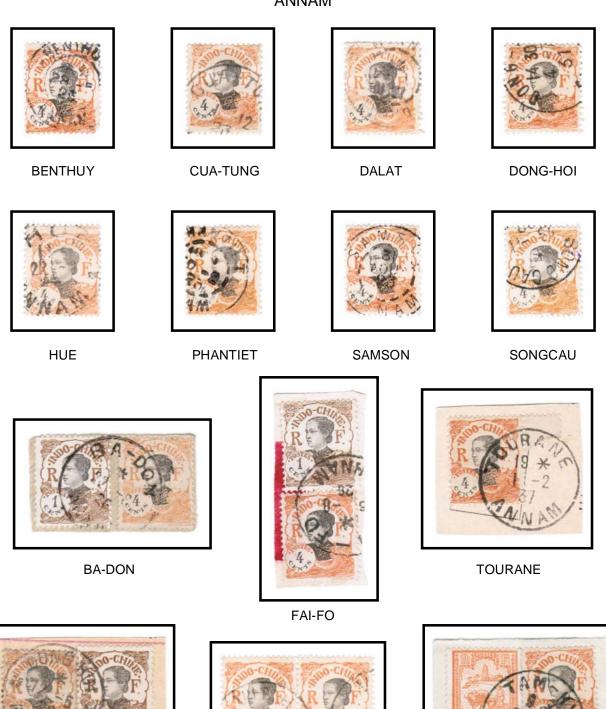






Local Currency Native Women Postmarks on 4 cents

ANNAM



DONG-HOI VINH TAM-KY

CAMBODGE



PNOMPENH



PURSAT



SARAVANE

MARITIME



PAQUEBOT (HONG KONG)



PAQUEBOT (HONG KONG)



YOKOHAMA A MARSEILLE № 8

RAILROAD



HUE A TOURANE

COCHINCHINA



COCHINCHINA







SAIGON COMMERCE



SAIGON-CENTRAL



TIEUCAN



BACLIEU



CAMAU



MYTHO



SAIGON-PORT



VINHLONG



SOCTRANG

COCHINCHINA





CAMRANG OMON





CAILAY PHUNGHIEP



LONGTHANH

LAOS







MUONG-OU-TAY



SAVANNAKHET



PAC-HIN-BOUN



PHONGSALY



MUONGHOU-NUA



PAKSE



THAKHEK



VIENTIANE (BLUE)

TONKIN



DAP-CAU



DOSON



HANOI-COLIS POSTAUX



HANOI-GARE



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TUYENQUANG



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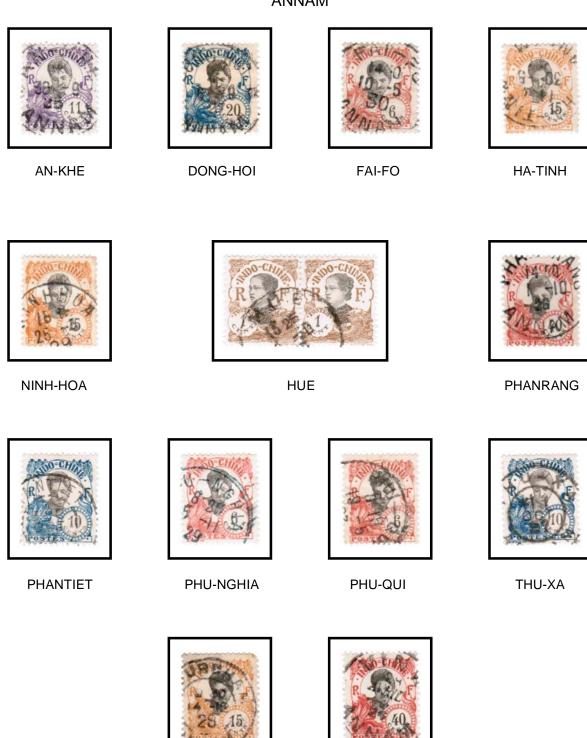
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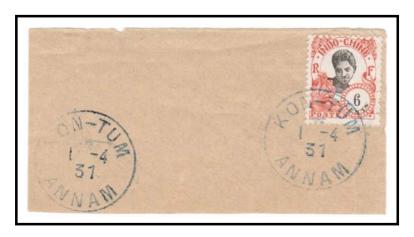
ANNAM



TOURCHAM

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KON-TUM



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CAMBODIA



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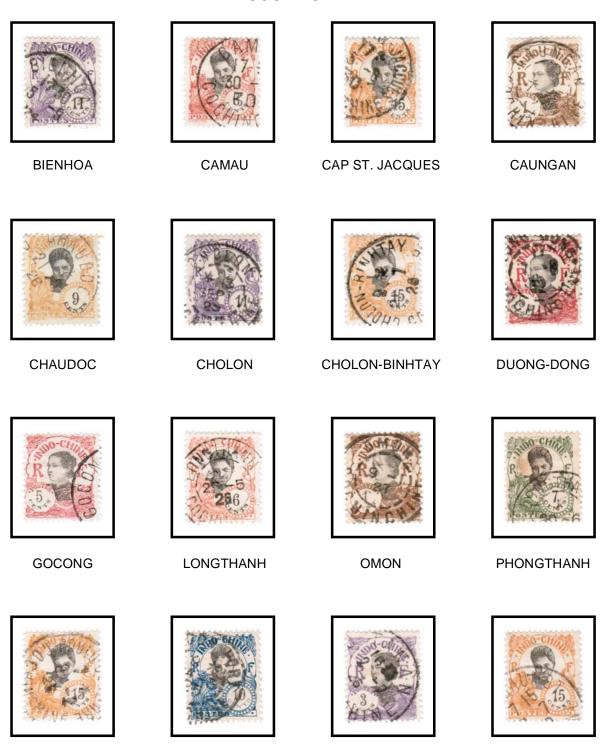


PAKSE



SNOUL

COCHINCHINA



SAIGON-PORT

TANAN

THUDAUMOT

POULO-CONDORE

COCHINCHINA



BACLIEU BENTRE







CAP SAINT-JACQUES







COCHINCHINA







SAIGON A



SAIGON-COMMERCE



SAIGON-CENTRAL



TRAVINH



RACHKIEN



DUONG-DANG



TAYNINH



MYTHO TRAON

LAOS



LAOS







ATTOPEU KHONG BAN-VANG







KENGKOK BONENG LUANG-PRABANG







MUONG-NGOI

MUONGNGOI MUONG HOUN XIENG HOUNG

LAOS



MUONG BOUN TAY



MUONG BOUN NEUA



MUONGSAI



NAKAI



MUONG-OU-TAY



PAKSE



PAC-HIN-BOUN



SAVANNKHET

LAOS







VIENTIANE



THATHOM



SARAVANE



TCHEPONE



VIENPOUKA

TONKIN



TONKIN



HAI-DUONG



HANOI HA-GIANG



HANOI-GARE



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SAIGON-CENTRAL





























SAIGON-PORT











VIENTIANE













RAILROAD



LANGSON A HANOI



HAIPHONG A HANOI



HAIPHONG A HANOI

MARITIME



YOKOHAMA A MARSEILLE



PAQUEBOT (Singapore))



framed PAQUEBOT (Hong Kong)



framed PAQUEBOT (Hong Kong)



framed PAQUEBOT (Hong Kong)

Local Currency Native Women Perfins











Banque de l'indochine (Hanoi Branch)







Banque de l'indochine (Saigon Branch)









Grand Magasins Reunis

Local Currency Native Women Perfins











Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation







HD.E.O.

Imprimerie d'Extreme Orient









Unknown Company

Local Currency Native Women Use of BIC Perfin

The Hanoi branch of the Bank of Indochina was the one that perforated stamps with the initials "BIC." The corner imprint on this windowed envelope confirms the sender was at "Agence de Hanoi."





POSTAL MARKINGS
HANOI R.P. TONKIN 21-12 28
REVERSE
LYON RHONE 29. 1. 29

Local Currency Native Women Use of BIC Perfin

Commercial firms gave their stamps perfins to prevent theft by employees. Apparently, perfins did not deter all thieves as a pair of stamps with BIC perfins was used on a plainly personal postcard.





POSTAL MARKINGS HANOI R.P. TONKIN 7-1 29

Local Currency Native Women Use of GMH Perfin

Because Grand Magasin Reunis was a large store in Hanoi, it is unexpected to find a stamp with the GMR perfin on a tourist's postcard. Perhaps the store had sold stamps to its patrons.

G.M.R.



POSTAL MARKINGS HANOI R.P. TONKIN 14-3 28

Local Currency Native Women Use of HS/BC Perfin

The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation was one of Asia's major financial institutions. Here each stamp is perforated with "HS" over "BC" representing the organization's initials.





POSTAL MARKINGS
SAIGON COMMERCE COCHINCHINE 18-10 30
registration label

SAIGON-CENTRAL COCHINCHINE 18-10 30 SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. REG. SEC. NOV 17 1930

REVERSE