Patriotism

Patriotic themes were the subject of a pair of wartime commemoratives.



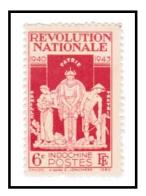
National Revolution





Young Athletes

Patriotism Color Shades















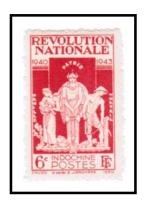
National Revolution Perforation Varieties



IMPERFORATE



PERFORATED 11



PERFORATED 12 ROUGH



PERFORATED 12 CLEAN

National Revolution Varieties







YELLOW PAPER





"BROKEN SHEAF" VARIETY APPEARS ON EVERY OTHER STAMP IN BOTTOM ROW

National Revolution Postmarks



HAIPHONG TONKIN



HANOI R.P. TONKIN



KOMPONGCHNANG CAMBODGE



PHANRANG ANNAM



PNOMPENH CAMBODGE



SAIGON A COCHINCHINE

Young Athletes Varieties of 10 cents



YELLOW COLOR SHIFTED RIGHT



DOUBLE PERFORATION VERTICALLY

Young Athletes Varieties of 50 cents Perforation Shifts





Young Athletes Varieties of 50 cents



DOUBLY PERFORATED VERTICALLY



HORIZONTAL PAPER FOLD

National Revolution First Day of Use

Issued on 5 November 1943, this 6 cent stamp saw limited commercial usage because the letter rate rose to 10 cents the following month.



POSTAL MARKINGS
PNOMPENH CAMBODGE 5-11 43
REVERSE
PNOMPENH CAMBODGE 5-11 43

National Revolution Usage

The National Revolution commemorative stamp paid for a local letter sent from Travinh to Saigon in 1943. Effective 1 December 1943, the local letter rate rose to 10 cents, so this letter beat the postal rate increase by less than a week.



POSTAL MARKINGS

TRAVINH COCHINCHINE 25-11 43
SAIGON-PRINCIPAL COCHINCHINE 26 NOV 43

REVERSE

SAIGON-PRINCIPAL COCHINCHINE 26 NOV 43

Young Athletes Postmarks



CHAPA TONKIN



POSTE AUX ARMEES T.O.E.



DONG-HOI ANNAM



HAIPHONG TONKIN

Young Athletes First Day of Issue

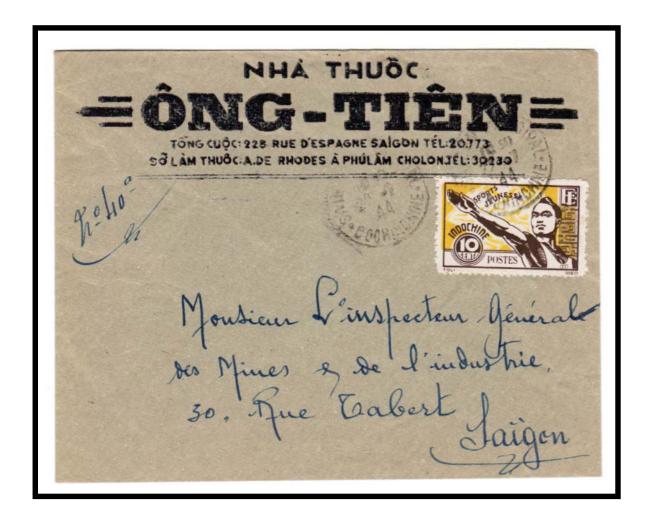
Both stamps of the set were issued on the same day, 10 July 1944.



POSTAL MARKINGS
PHNOMPENH CAMBODGE 10-7 44
REVERSE
PHNOMPENH CAMBODGE 10-7 44

Young Athletes Use of 10 cents

The 10-cent Young Athletes commemorative stamp paid for delivery of a local letter in 1944. Effective 1 December 1943, the local letter rate had risen from 6 cents to 10 cents.



POSTAL MARKINGS
SAIGON-PRINCIPAL COCHINCHINE 22-7 44

Young Athletes Use of 10 cents

A single 10-cent paid for sending a letter from Dalat to Hanoi in August 1944. Two months later, in October 1944, the internal letter rate increased to 15 cents.



POSTAL MARKINGS
DALAT ANNAM 11-8 44
REVERSE
HANOI R.P. TONKIN 21-8 44

Young Athletes Use of 10 cents

A notation on business correspondence indicates the letter took 20 days to travel from Haiphong to Hanoi. Although unclear in the postmark, the year is almost certainly 1945. A propaganda handstamp translates "Franco-Indochinese Collaboration ... strength of the Union."

Collaboration FRANCO-INDOCHINOISE force de l'union



POSTAL MARKINGS
HAIPHONG TONKIN 9-3 (45)
slogan handstamp

Young Athletes Use of 10 cents

The 40-cent surface rate for foreign mail (including China), which was established during World War II, continued into the postwar period.



POSTAL MARKINGS
SAIGON-PRINCIPAL COCHINCHINE 27-8 46

Young Athletes Use of 10 and 50 cents

During the 1947 time period, the basic letter rate to France was 40 cents with an 80-cent supplement for airmail service. Pairs of stamps from the Young Athletes set exactly satisfied the combined postal rate.



POSTAL MARKINGS
SAIGON-TANDINH COCHINCHINE 15-7 47
REVERSE
SAIGON R.P. COCHINCHINE 15-7 47

Young Athletes Use of 50 cents

The 50-cent stamp did not correspond to any simple postal rate when it was issued. Here it contributed to a mixed franking on an airmail letter. The French stamps were not necessary because the immediate postwar airmail rate was 80 cents.



POSTAL MARKINGS
SAIGON-PRINCIPAL COCHINCHINE 8-2 46

Young Athletes Use of 50 cents

Soldiers serving in Indochina could send unfranked foreign mail via Paris where French postage stamps would be added for international acceptance. In this case, the sender chose to pay the postage himself on a letter from Indochina to Switzerland.



POSTAL MARKINGS
POSTE AUX ARMEES 7-9 46

Young Athletes Use of 50 cents

Two 50-cent stamps paid for airmail service to India in 1946. Because of its much shorter distance as compared o Europe, India enjoyed reduced airmail rates.



POSTAL MARKINGS
SAIGON-PRINCIPAL COCHINCHINE 14-9 46
REVERSE
CALCUTTA G.P.O. 17 SEP 45
KILASAVALPATTI 22 SEP 46

Young Athletes Use of 50 cents

With additional postage on the reverse, a pair of 50-cent Young Athletes stamps paid for airmail service from Pnompenh to Paris in 1946.



POSTAL MARKINGS
PNOMPENH CAMBODGE 24-4 46
REVERSE

PNOMPENH CAMBODGE 24-4 46 SAIGON-PRINCIPAL COCHINCHINE 27-4 46

Young Athletes Use of 50 cents

Three 50-cent Young Athlete commemoratives frank a cover sent to France in 1948. Effective 10 March 1948, the airmail surcharge for letters to France became 1\$20 per 5 grams. The basic letter rate had been 0\$40 since 1946 making the total for an airmail letter 1\$60. Underpaid by 10 cents, this mailing escaped being cited for postage due.



POSTAL MARKINGS
SAIGON-PRINCIPAL COCHINCHINE 8-6 48