Native Women Overprints
Red Cross Overprints

Like the Native Women stamps, the Overprinted native Women stamps were overprinted for the benefit of the Red Cross. The new denomination was added in Paris during 1918-19. All Red Cross semi-postal stamps were withdrawn from sale on 1 April 1921.
Native Women Overprints
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Varieties

VALUE OVERPRINT VARIETIES

Closed “4” on left stamp

“8 CENTS” double

VALUE OVERPRINT SHIFTS

right
right
right
left, down
left
down
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VALUE OVERPRINT INTENSITY

RED CROSS OVERPRINT INTENSITY

ASCENDING VALUE OVERPRINTS
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VALUE OVERPRINT VARIETIES

“6 CENT8” upper right
“6 CRNTS” upper left

VALUE OVERPRINT SHIFTS
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Closed “4” Variety

The closed "4" variety occurred seven times on each sheet of 150 stamps. Curiously, the positions of the Red Cross varieties are different than the closed “4” overprints for the definitive stamps.

Center stamp with closed “4” is plate position 12.
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Millesimes

The Red Cross Overprints were prepared from the 1917 and 1918 printings of the Native Women stamps. The numeral printed in the center selvedge signifies the final digit of the year of printing.
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Postmarks

China

CANTON-CHINE.A.
One example of the 4 + 5 cent and a pair of the 6 + 5 cent stamps franked a 1920 cover to France. The mailing spent a month in transit from Indochina to France.
Unissued Native Women Overprints
Red Cross Overprints
Use of 6 + 5 cents

A 6+5 cent semi-postal stamp added to this envelope apparently made up the foreign rate. However, because the overprinted stamps had been devalued in 1920, the postage was in fact underpaid. The letter was forwarded from the United States to Spanish Honduras.

POSTAL MARKINGS
TAM-BINH COCHINCHINE  2 SEPT. 22
BOSTON, MASS.  OCT 17 1922
Forwarded.
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Usage

The three-value set of Red Cross Overprints on Native Women Overprints franked a local cover in 1921.

POSTAL MARKINGS
SAIGON-CENTRAL COCHINCHINE 24-10 21
Native Women Overprints
Red Cross Overprints
Usage

All three values of the Red Cross semi-postals from the Overprinted Native Women stamps (4 + 5 cents, 6 + 5 cents and 8 + 5 cents) were included in the franking on this 1920 registered cover to the United States.

POSTAL MARKINGS
SAIGON-CENTRAL COCHINCHINE 14-5 20
framed R with manuscript registration number
handstamped registration number
REVERSE
SAIGON-CENTRAL COCHINCHINE 14-5 20
REGISTERED G.P.O. HONG KONG 20 MY 20
LAS ANGELES (STA. E) REGISTERED JUN 13 1920