CUBA PERFINS

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The initial article discussing use of the Perfins on Cuban stamps brought a lot of additional information from CPC members and others. As a result, we now have more data to publish regarding this matter. It has been very interesting to see the development of interest in a field that at one time was considered unheard of...but new areas are being opened in new fields of study of Philately. Perfins material is just such a case.

From what we know about perfins, there is very little to be said, and most people do not know what they are. It has been more than a mild surprise to us to discover the many varieties of perfins that exist in the stamps of Cuba.

We have a number of stamps with perforations. We are illustrating this article with photos of the various types that we have in our possession as well as some a fellow member sent us. This in no way indicates that these are all that are known. We would have absolutely no idea what that number would be.

Our membership is urged to look through their material and come up with new patterns. The only way of showing satisfactory proof of an organization's using the perfin is via perfins on covers with a corner card or return address.

The following listing shows the various types, and the Scott catalogue numbers of the stamps found with the perforations.

