

LOCAL REPUBLICA OVERPRINT 1914

ISSUE.

As with the surcharged Luis and Carlos Neto issues, a local san-serif "REPUBLICA" overprint in red or green was applied to old stamp stocks held in Angola, stock which had not as yet been overprinted. The overprinting was done in Luanda, Angola, in order to use up old stock before the new Ceres issue was fully adopted.

ERRORS.

Many printing errors appear due to poor supervision. Errors include inverted, doubled, misplaced, misspelled, wrong colour overprints. Some of the most common "REPUBLICA" overprint errors are listed.



FANCIFUL ISSUES

It is unclear whether test REPUBLICA overprints of a range of issues were smuggled out of the print workshop, or whether they were created there, but whatever happened, local REPUBLICA overprints of Carlos Mouchon issues began to appear which were not officially issued for postal service. The 115r has doubtful status, and the 130r less so. The known examples are as follows:

Carlos Mouchon local REPUBLICA overprints.

2.5r,

5r,

25r,

115r. Doubtful status, but listed in some catalogues

130r. Not regularly issued. Scott 166 delisted.



In 1919 a 4c surcharge was applied to a 130r Carlos Mouchon stamp with a local san serif "REPUBLICA" overprint, and it is possible that a sheet or two missed the surcharge and this may explain why there are more of this stamp than say the 25r.

FORGERIES

As already noted, this local overprint has been forged. Errors like a reversed "CA" or inverted "A" in "REPUBLICA", are possible forgeries, but they may be genuine printing errors corrected after a proof run, ie., printer's waste.



SHADES.

Numerous shades exist as is common for the Carlos issues.

CARLOS Mouchon 1898 overprint

10. Doubled, Inverted.

15. Inverted.

20. Green and red Inverted.

50 *PROVISORIO*. Inverted and doubled.

50/65. Parted "5" error, doubled

75 Violet. Inverted, red and green doubled.

75 Carmin *PROVISORIO*. Inverted

100. Inverted

115. R. Not regularly issued, but found in some catalogues.

130. RR. Not regularly issued. Scott 166 delisted.

200. Red o/p instead of green.

400

500

700

1914 — Selos de D. Carlos I, de 1898/901, com sobrecarga local «REPUBLICA»

