

War Tax Stamps



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Regarding Tax Stamps

- Personal interest
- Purpose of the stamps
- How they worked
- Philatelic promotion
- Varieties
 - Overprints
 - Incorporations
 - Upgrade non-overprinted definitives (i.e. USA)
 - Semipostals (i.e. much of Europe)

Overprint Varieties



Incorporations



War Tax Errors-1



War Tax Errors-2



Specimens



Imperf Die Proofs



Philatelic Promotion

- “A collection of War Tax Stamps are the finest possible investment.” (1915)
- “One of the delights in collecting these is knowing that every stamp purchased was a contribution to the war effort.” (1915)
- “Many stamps can still be acquired at reasonable prices...however, some are rare and valuable.” (2009)

After the War

- Repeal of the war tax
 - Countries varied from 1919 to 1951
- Mixed franking when stamps ran out
- Late and philatelic usages
- Invalidation of war tax stamps (As late as 1951)

Philatelic Use



Late Use, Leftovers, & Novelties



World War II



Credit

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