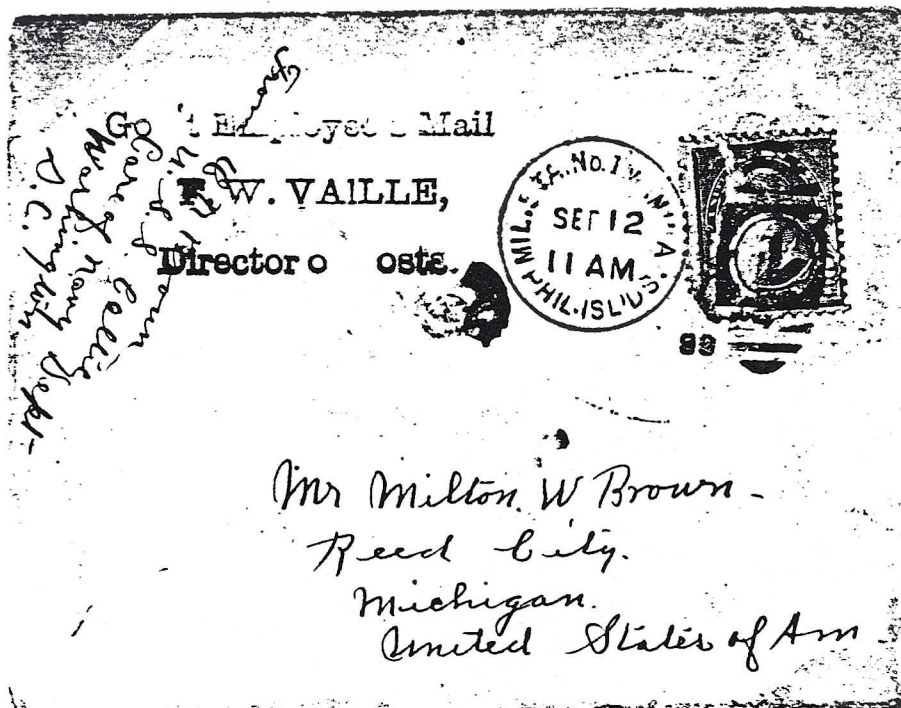
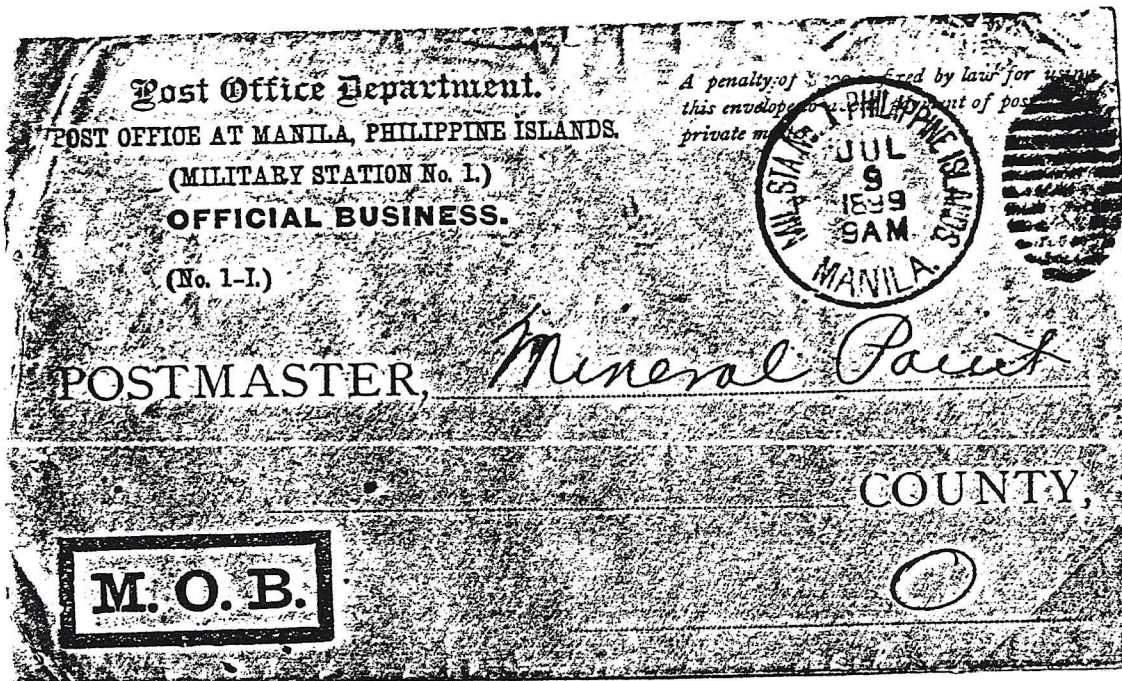
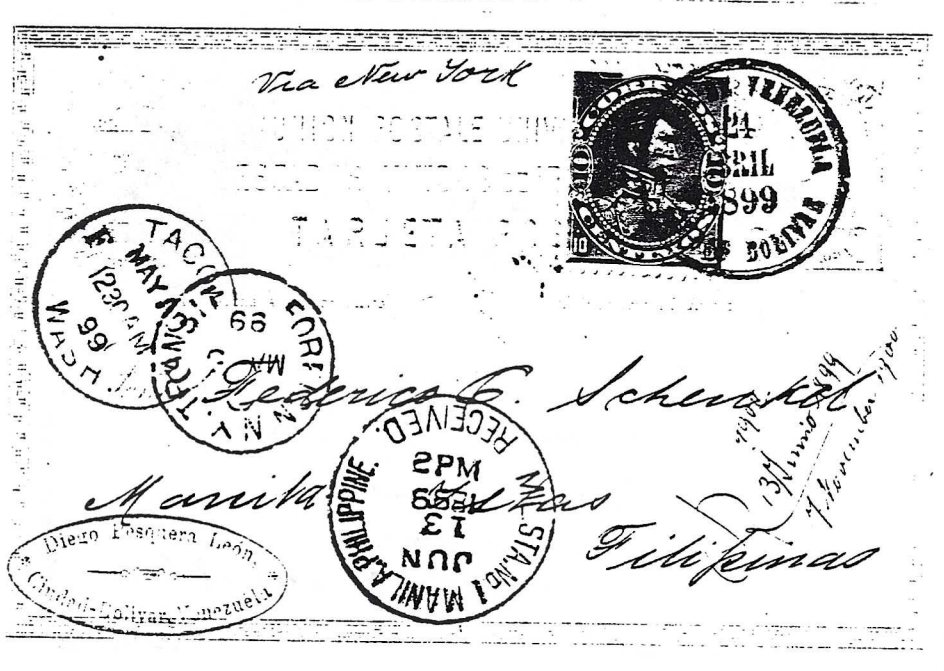
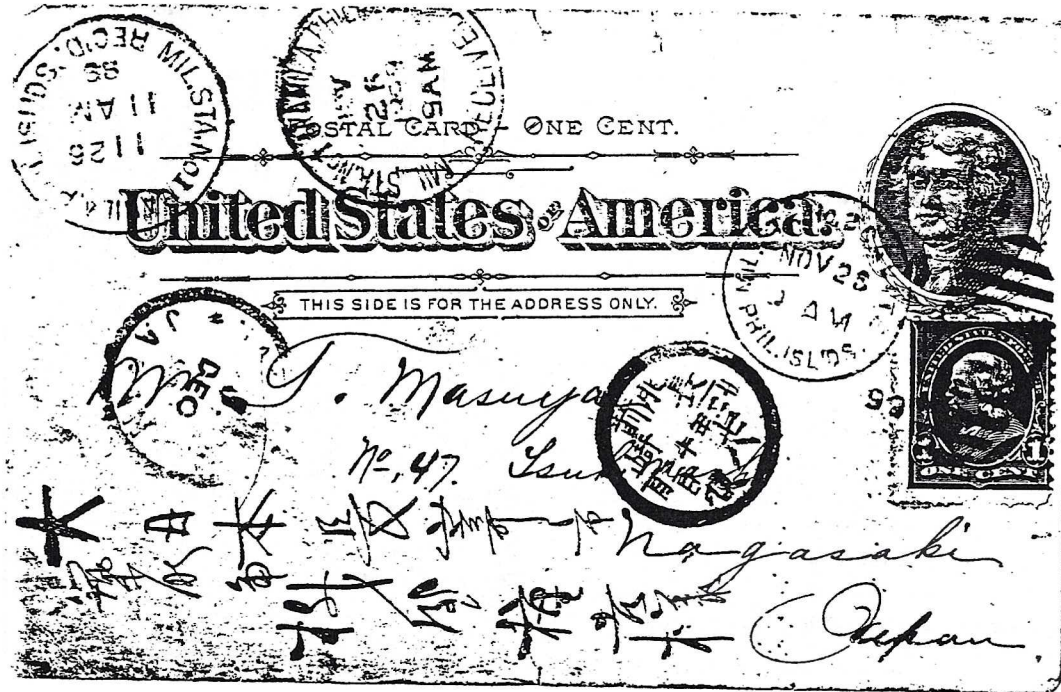


PHILIPPINES
Luzon

Mil. Sta. No. 1 Manila
9 July 1899
12 September 1899



Two types of steel duplex devices were provided in 1899. The first, somewhat larger in size and with the town name at the bottom, is recorded used from 20 March 1899 to 22 August 1900 at MPS No.1. The second, smaller version has "Phil. Isl'ds." at the bottom and is recorded used from 5 December 1898 to 25 August 1900.



For marking inbound or transit mail, two different types of steel cds were used at Manila. The first is slightly smaller and reads "Rec'd." at the bottom; it is recorded used from 17 February 1899 to 21 February 1901. The second, larger type reads "Received" and was used from 17 April 1899 to 9 April 1901. Both were used concurrently and, sometimes, as in the case of the upper cover, both on the same piece of mail.

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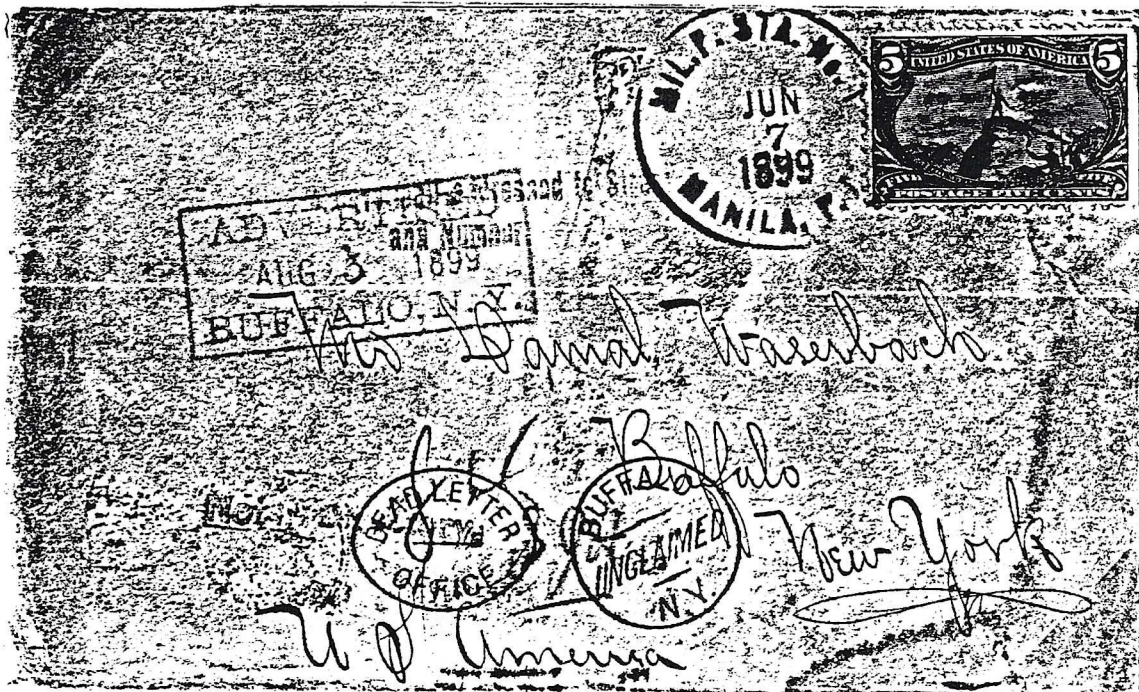
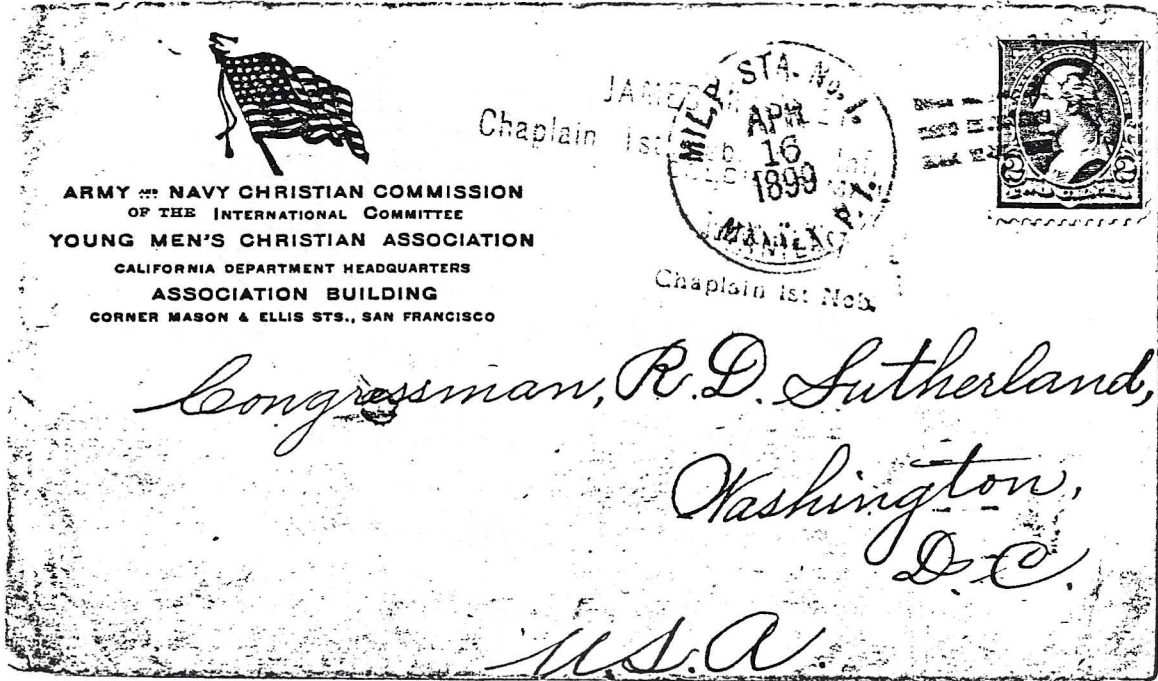
Mil. Sta. No. 1
24 October 1898
11 November 1898



Manila was the first of six numbered military stations opened in the Philippines. A new double-ring postmark reading "Mil. Sta. No. 1/San Francisco, Cal." is recorded used from 17 October 1898 to 14 March 1899. An extensively used postmark, but usage to foreign destinations (as above to China and Indochina) is very unusual.

PHILIPPINES
Luzon

Mil. Sta. No. 1 Manila
16 April 1899
7 June 1899



The third type of postmark for ordinary mail was a single ring rubber cds indicating "Mil. Sta. No. 1/Manila, P.I." It is recorded used from 23 March 1899 to 30 March 1901.

PHILIPPINES
Luzon

Mil. Sta. No. 1 Manila
1 February 1900
27 February 1900

*Soldiers Letter.
Henry U. Haack P.O. Co. K. 17 Inf.*



The Martin Firminus Co.

New Haven.

Conn.

United States.

*Co. D. 13. Infy.
Maguigan P.I.*



*Miss Ethel Brewster
Portage Co. Garrettsville*

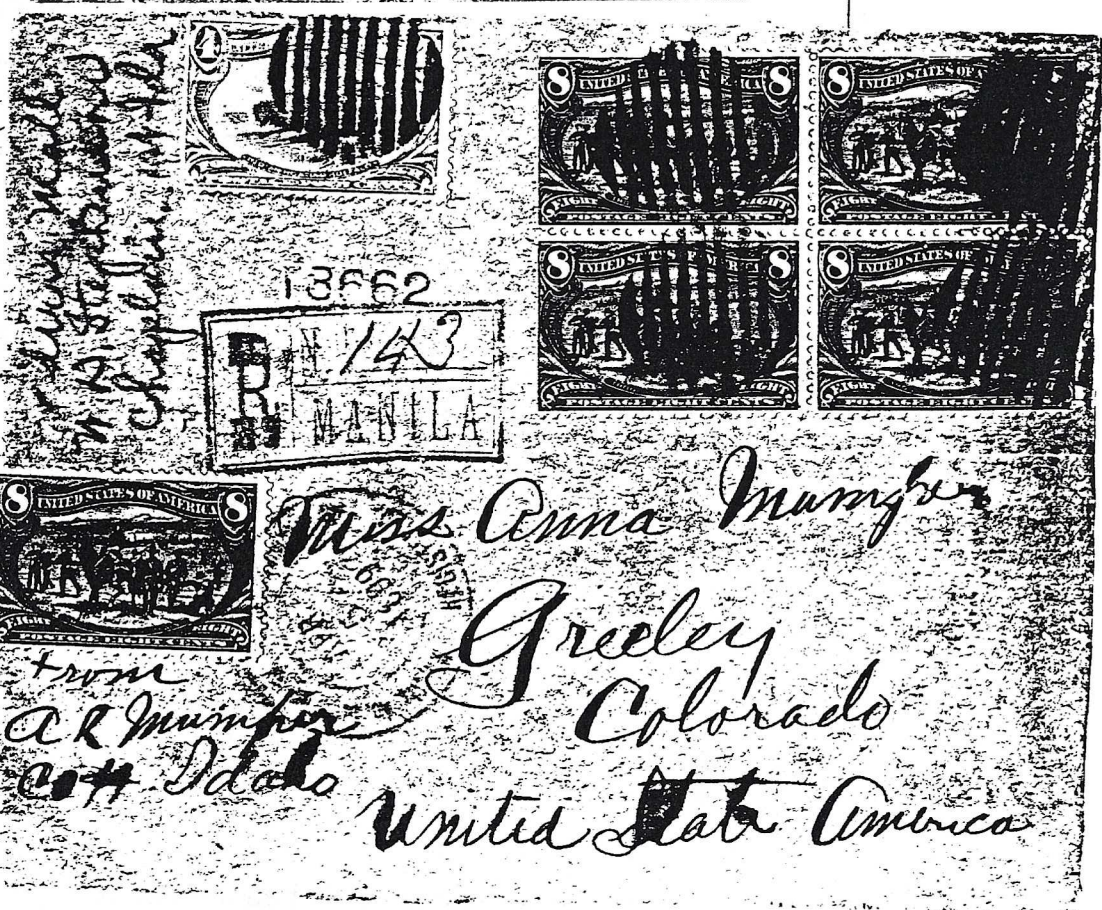
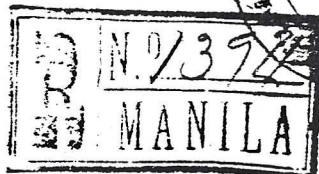
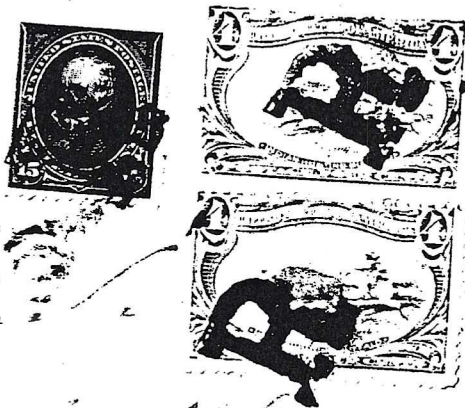
C. S. A.

Ohio

A fourth (hitherto unrecorded) type of postmark for ordinary mail was a single ring rubber cds reading "Mil. P. Sta. No. 1 Manila, P.I." around the upper two-thirds of the circle -- apparently used only briefly in early 1900. One possibility is that the postal agents found that they were using the similar Receiving mark mostly for the dispatch of mail and decided to excise the "Rec'd" from the dial.

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Luzon

Mil. Sta. No. 1
5 April 1899
17 May 1899

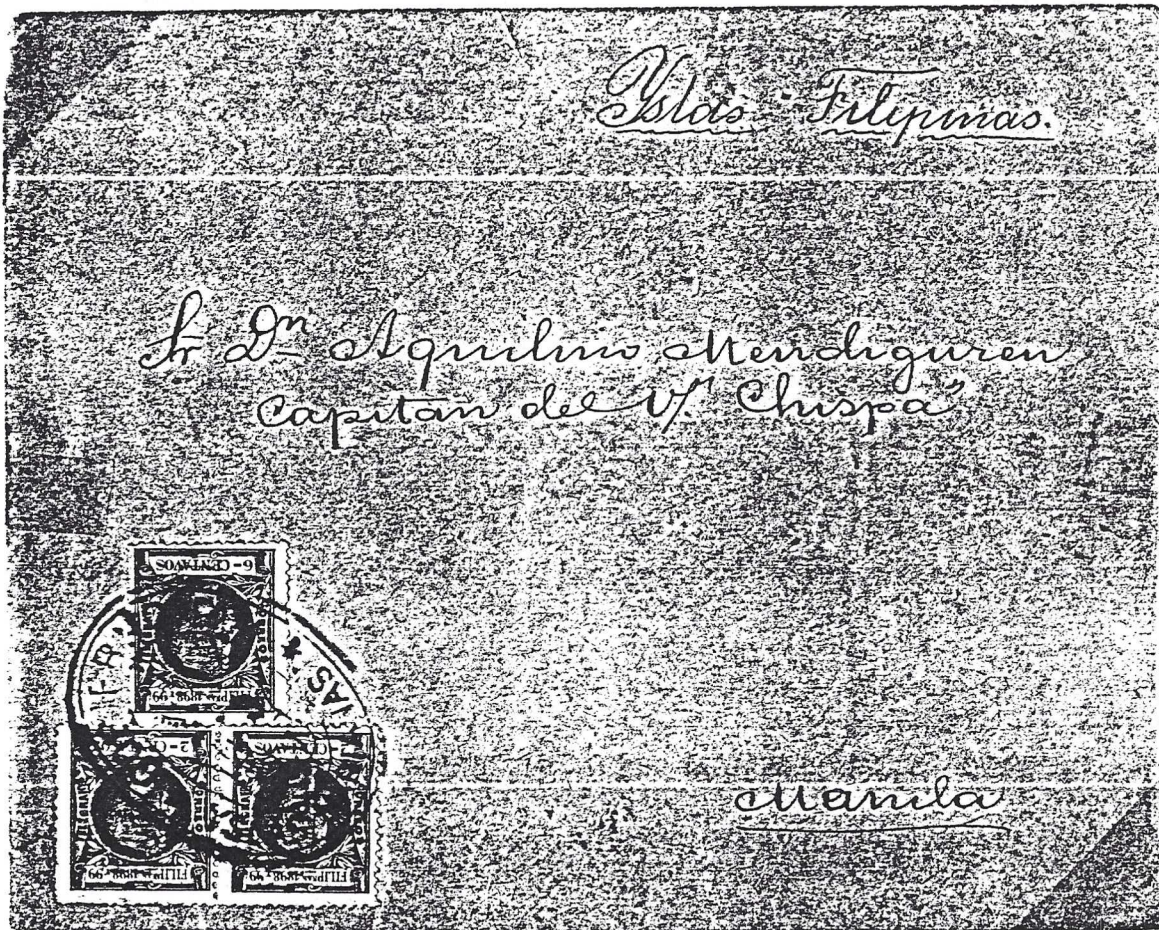
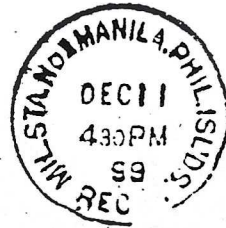


Miss Anna Mumford
Greeley
Colorado
United States America
from
A.R. Mumford
Co. Idaho

For registered mail, a double ring cds was introduced, including the station number and "San Francisco." Above usages show part of the wrapping from a registered parcel and an unusually franked, triple-weight registered cover to Switzerland with large, unframed "R" killer used to cancel the 23 cents postage.

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Luzon

Mil. Sta. No. 1 Manila
11 December 1899

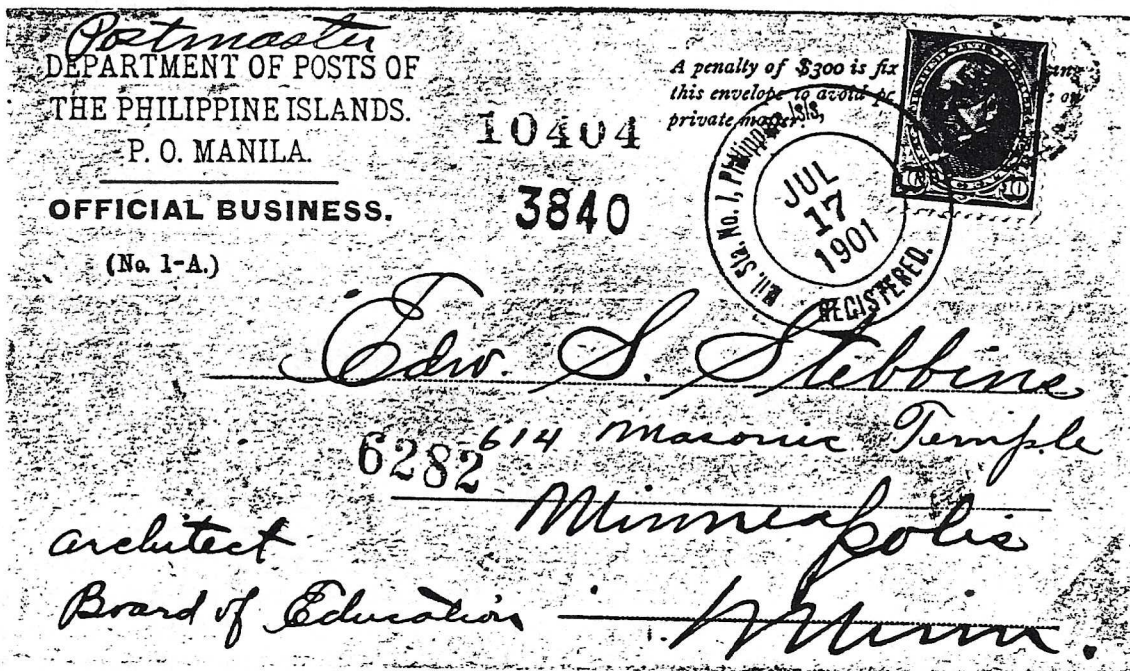


As a result of the American occupation of Spain's principal Pacific possessions -- the Philippines and Guam -- the Northern Marianas were cut off from the homeland. Therefore, they were sold to Germany on 8 February 1899. However, the Germans did not formally take possession until late that year, and stamps of the Spanish Philippines continued in use in the interim. However, a substantial quantity of these stamps had been stolen during the unrest in Manila, causing the authorities to fear for the postal revenues. As a result, the overprinting of stamps in the Saipan post office with a boxed "Marianas Espanolas" was ordered. The quantities produced were very small, including only 50 copies of the 6 centavo value, shown on the above cover with a pair of the 2 centavos.

These stamps were only used on a single mail dispatch, on the steamer *Uranus* which was bound for Manila on 29 November 1899. Upon arrival, the mail arriving from the Spanish Marianas was backstamped on 11 December, thus providing the most exotic usage of Manila receiving markings of all.

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Luzon

Mil. Sta. No. 1
6 October 1899
17 July 1901



The Philippine postal service remained subsidiary to the San Francisco office until 1 May 1899, when it became an independent entity. This event was most clearly indicated by the excising of the S.F. reference from the Registry cancellation. The altered marking is recorded used from 15 May 1899 to 18 December 1901.

PHILIPPINES
Luzon

Mil. Sta. No. 1 Manila
11 January 1899
9 April 1900

IN THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS
U.S. MILITARY GOVERNMENT

NUMBER 006524

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION

A. D. 1900.

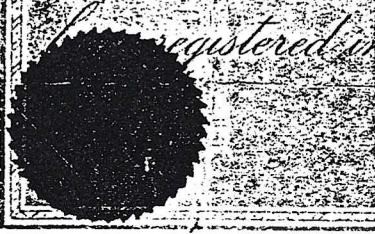
PROVINCE OF MANILA

ONE CLASS, 20 C. DE PESO

(143)

Mr. Luis Alla
 native of Marikina Province of Cavite
 30 years of age, married, occupation
 traveller residing at Marikina
 has this 9 day of April 1900

registered in



ADVISE OF U.S. POSTAL MONEY ORDER

Military Station No. 1, Philippine Islands, No. 4046

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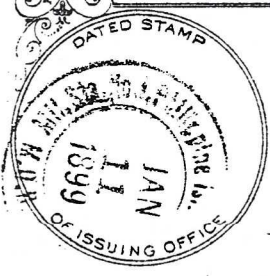
TO THE POSTMASTER AT
 Eureka
 Calif.

ORDER OF ABOVE NUMBER AND DATE DRAWN ON YOU FOR
 Five Dollars = Cents

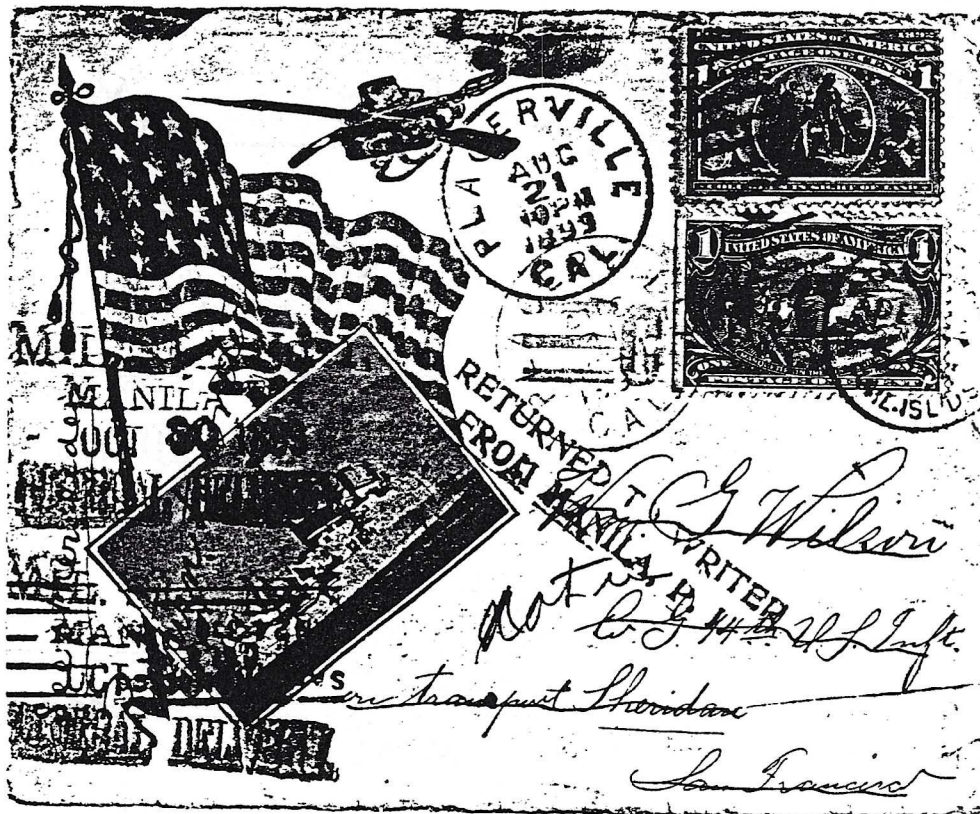
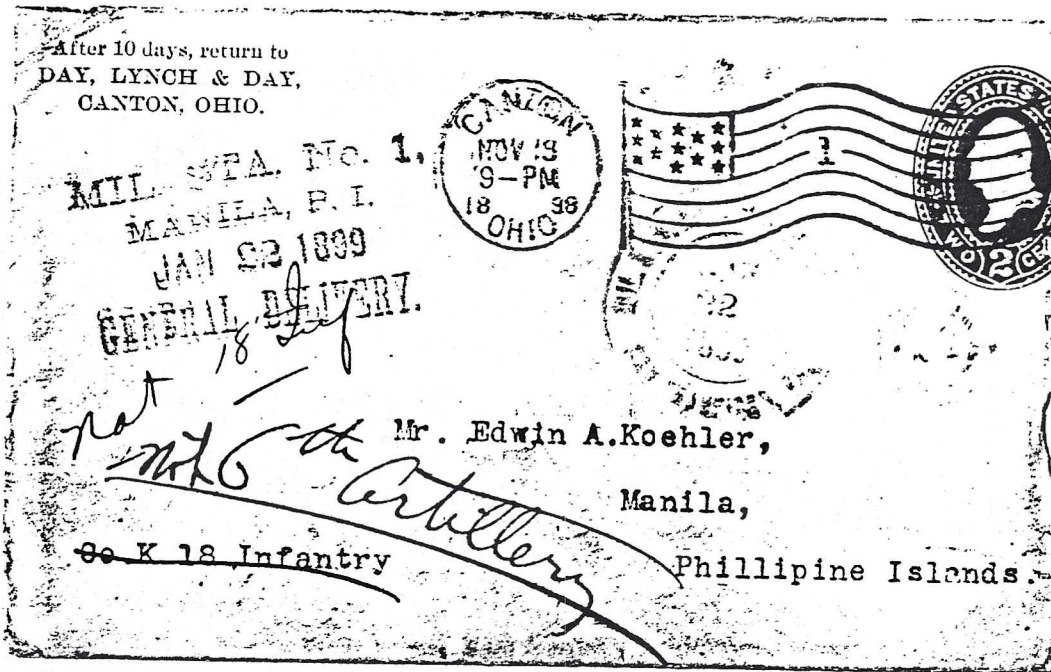
In favor of Frank Foreman
 PAYEE

No. Street

NAME OF REMITTER } Ed Graves
 W. W. Montague
 POSTMASTER



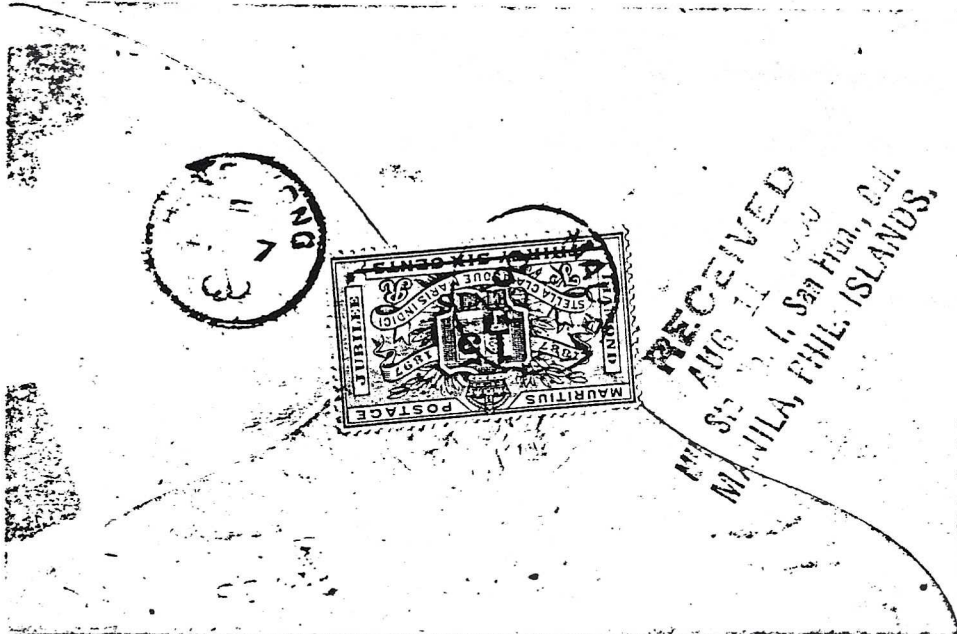
Official postal documents for Advice of Money Order and Certificate of Registration. Former item is imprinted for Military Station No. 1 and postmarked by double-ring "M.O.B." cds. The only previously recorded example of this marking was used inadvertently as a receiving mark on the reverse of a cover from the U.S. to Manila..



An additional type of supplemental marking was used at Military Station No. 1 in Manila for mail which was sent to recipients without a permanent address or where they could not be located at the address shown. Only five examples of this "General Delivery" marking are recorded, with the earliest and latest dates being shown above.

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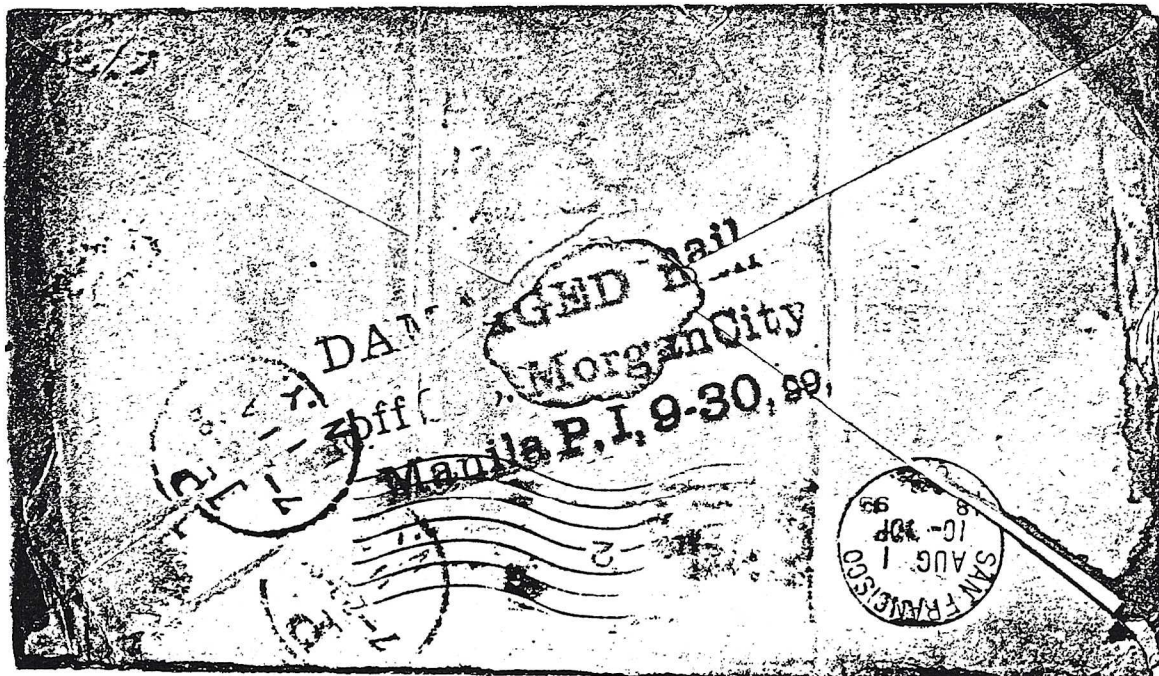
Mil. Sta. No. 1 Manila
11 August 1900



N40 *e 1353*
On Her Majesty's Service. *475*
Dr. J. Perry M.D.
Office of Medical Officer in
command.
Marine Hospital Service
Vit-Hong-Tong *Manilla*
MANILLA

Incoming Registered letter from Mauritius with previously unrecorded "Received" marking of MPS No. 1. A very late reference to the San Francisco connection, which was actually severed in May 1899.

Iloilo Oct 7 99.
Isle of Panay
Philippine Islands
G. S. Carpenter.
Cal. 18, U.S. Army.
[Late Brig Gen. of 63]
This card has been to the
bottom of the Japan Sea
on the "Morgan City"!



The most elusive of all of the markings of the military period in the Philippines was applied to mail salvaged from a chartered transport, the S.S. *Morgan City*, which went down at sea off the southeast coast off Japan. Part of the mail on board was recovered and sent to Manila where it received a special handstamp reading "Damaged Mail/off S.S. *Morgan City*/Manila P.I. 9-30-99."

PHILIPPINES
Luzon

Dagupan & Manila R.P.O.
20 June 1900
27 June 1900



Capt. Charles R. Hayes,
9th U.S. Infantry,
Tarlac,
Luzon.

*(Soldiers
Letter)*



PHILIPPINES.

Sterling Cycle Works,
Kenosha,
Wis.
U.S.A.

This railway was operated under military control and, during the period of the insurrection, was used almost exclusively by the 8th Army Corps in its campaigns in northern Luzon. Postmark varieties exist for trains in both directions, but only four examples of "North" are recorded (17 March 1900 to 14 August 1901) as the vast bulk of the mail moved southbound toward Manila. "South" cancel is known from 2 March 1900 to 6 October 1901.

PHILIPPINES
Luzon

First Res. Hosp. Sta.
16 June 1900
28 June 1900

FIRST RESERVE HOSPITAL,
Manila, P. I.

1672



Mrs. Marguerite Bidwell



June 15, 1900

*You are most cordially invited
to attend a social to be given
at the Presbyterian*

*Monday Evening at
Minor Socia
C. S. Sawyer, Chairman*

POSTAL CARD - ONE CENT.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

THIS SIDE IS FOR THE ADDRESS ONLY.



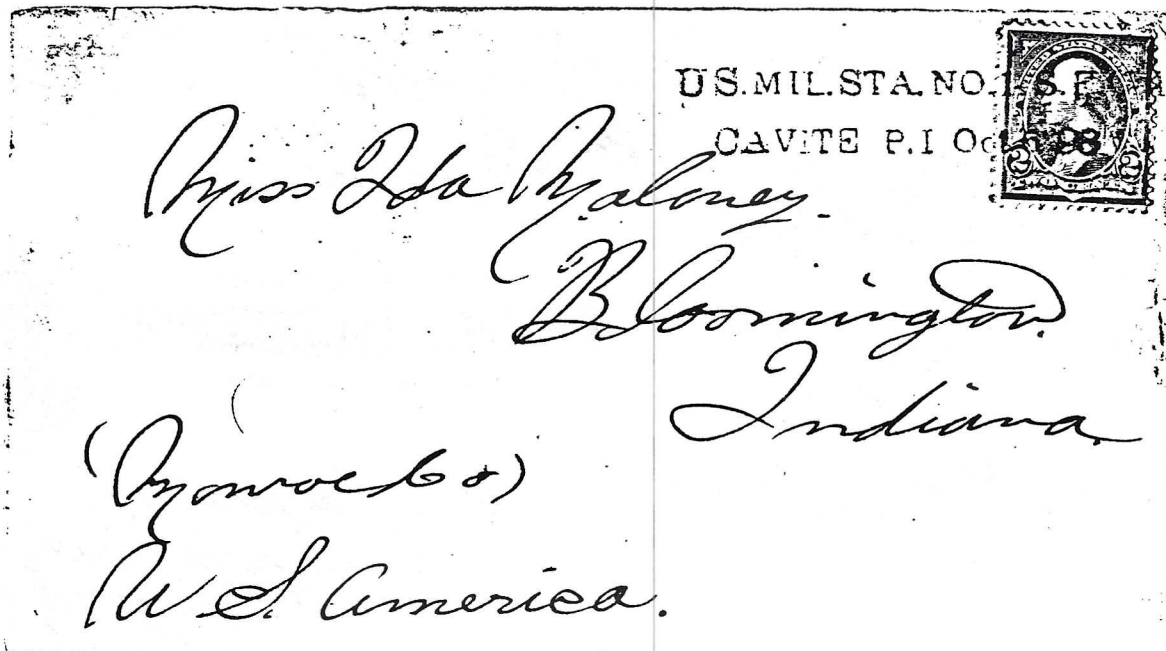
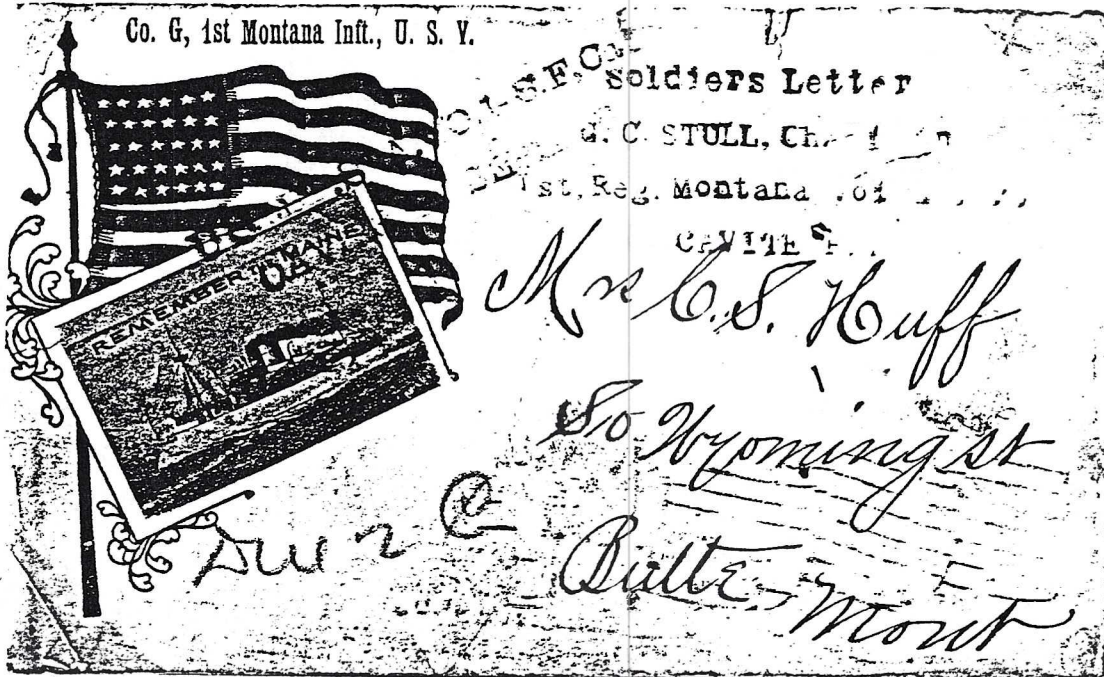
PHILIPPINES

*Mr. James C. Havel
Hospital, Corby
1st Reserve Hospital
Manila, P. I.*

The First Reserve Hospital Branch post office operated during the military occupation of Manila. Its postmark is always missing the "o" of "Hosp." (Goodale) and is recorded as being used from 6 February 1900 to 14 March 1901. The two-line marking used on the back of a 1 cent imprinted wrapper for printed matter is previously unrecorded. Only two examples are recorded of the use of the cds as a receiving mark shown above.

PHILIPPINES
Luzon

U.S. Mil. Sta. No. 1 Cavite
12 September 1898
6 October 1898



After the Philippine Station post office was moved to Manila, it turned out that Cavite was handling sufficient mail to warrant restoration of a postal facility. As a result, a new 2-line handstamp was introduced. Postmarks of this type are recorded used from 7 September to 8 November 1898. Note the variations in the marking: the month is spelled in all capital letters on the top cover, but in upper and lower case letters on the bottom one.