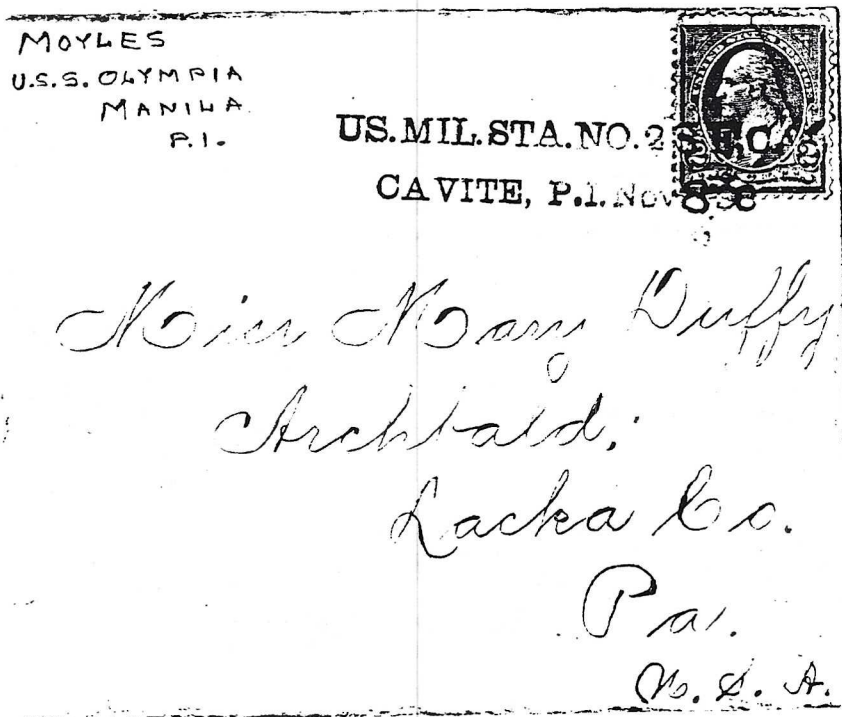
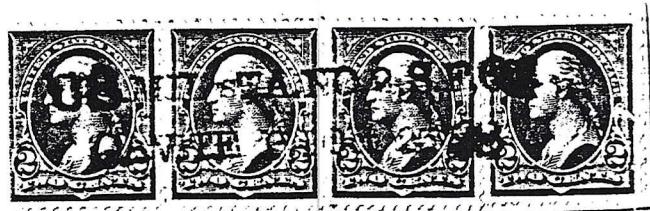


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Luzon

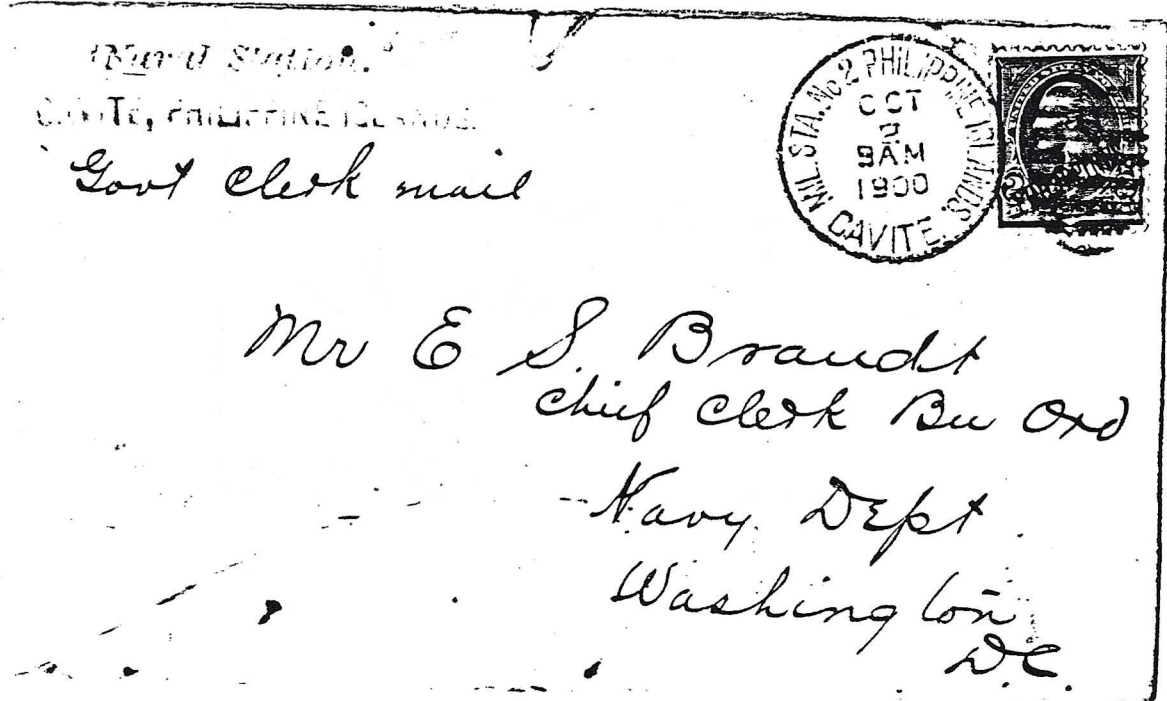
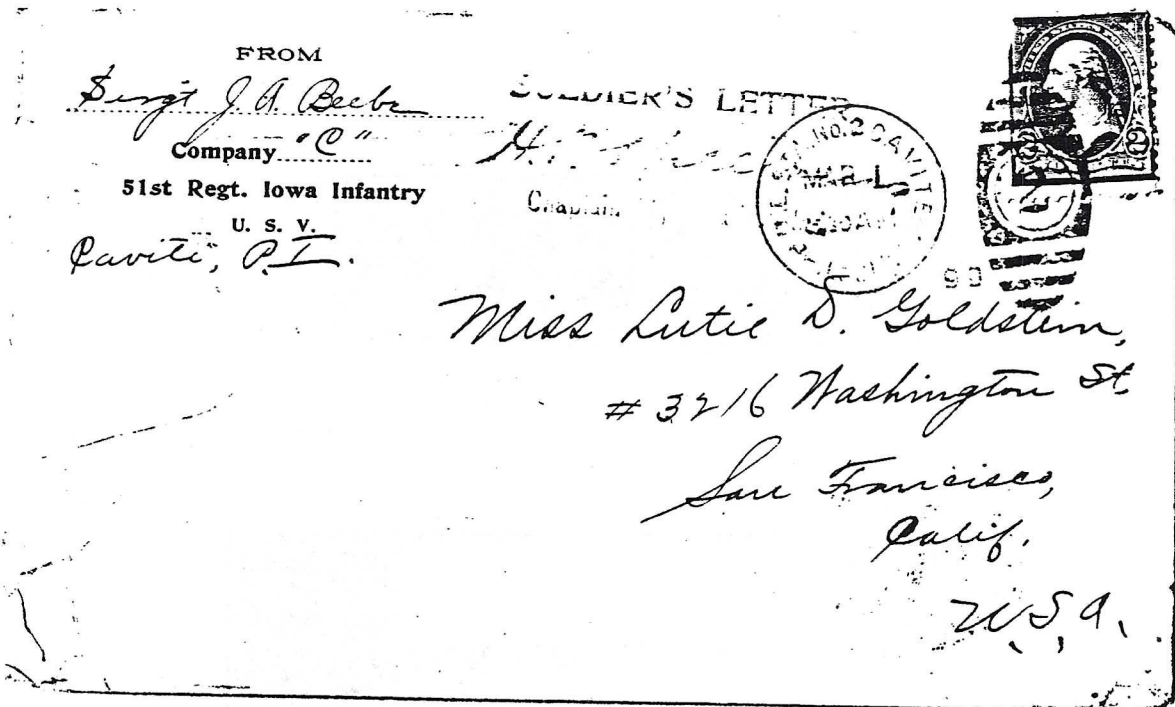
U.S. Mil. Sta. No. 2 Cavite  
25 October 1898  
8 November 1898



As Military Station No.1 had moved to Manila in August, it was no doubt rather confusing to have a new No. 1 at Cavite. As a result, the 2-line handstamp was changed to read "No. 2." This marking is recorded as being used from 25 October (above) to 21 December 1898. (Note the error in the earliest strike, in which a lower case "s" was used in "sTA." It was replaced with a proper capital letter in the interim between these two examples.)

PHILIPPINES  
Luzon

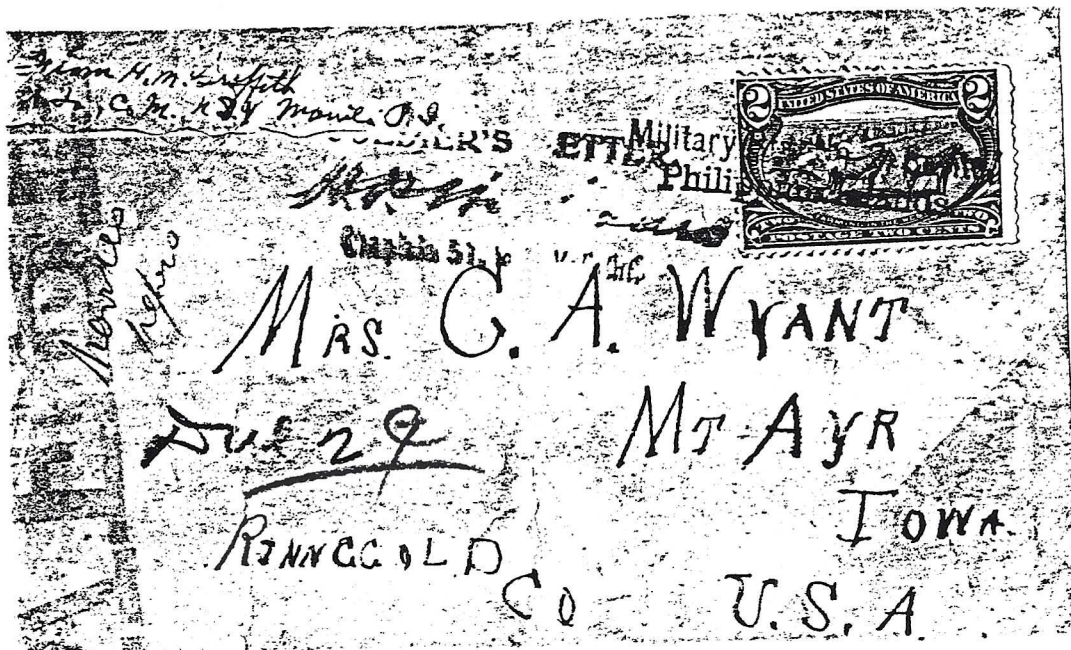
Mil. Sta. No. 2 Cavite  
1 March 1899  
2 October 1900



Both the small and large steel duplex cancellers were also issued at Cavite. The recorded dates of usage of the former are from 5 February 1899 to 14 February 1901 and the latter from 23 March 1899 to 27 October 1901.

PHILIPPINES  
Luzon

Mil. Sta. No. 2 Cavite

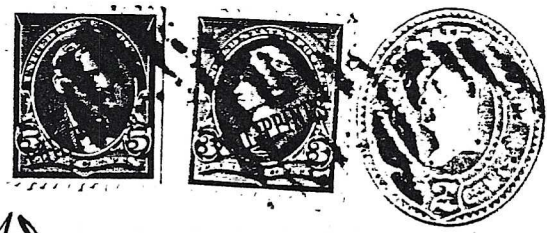


This 2-line marking clearly reads "Military Sta. No. 2, Cavite/Philippine Islands." but it is a mystery in several other respects. It is previously unrecorded and unknown to specialists. The date of use cannot be determined from the above piece, consisting of wrapping paper -- probably a portion of the front of a homemade envelope. The 2 cents postage due on top of the 2 cents franking suggests a double-weight, if odd-sized, letter was sent..

PHILIPPINES  
Luzon

Mil. Sta. No. 2 Cavite  
7 February 1900  
21 November 1901

J.R. Maggner, U.S. Navy.  
Naval Hospital.  
Cavite, P.I.



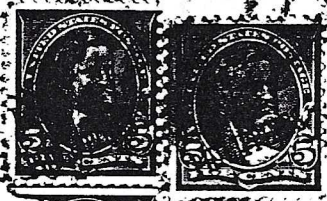
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Mr. John C. Dana  
City Library Association  
Springfield  
Mass.  
U.S. of A.  
NO. 7576  
MANILA, P. I.

PHILIPPINES.

REGISTERED  
MILITARY STA. 2, CAVITE  
Philippine Islands

23149  
231  
REGISTERED  
NOV 21  
MILITARY STA. 2, CAVITE  
33777  
From  
J.A. Tread  
Iloilo, Panay, P.I.  
22  
Mr. Harr Wagner  
723 Market Street  
San Francisco  
California  
Personal



Two types of Registered markings were used at Cavite. The 4-line version shown on the upper cover is recorded used from 7 February (above) to 10 November 1900. The 3-line type shown on the lower cover has not been previously recorded.

PHILIPPINES  
Luzon

Mil. Sta. No. 2 Cavite  
10 November 1900

Registered official mail  
from Asst. Paymaster at  
Cavite to Navy Auditor  
in Washington. Postage  
was free, but 8 cent reg-  
istry fee had to be paid.

NAVY DEPARTMENT,  
NAVAL STATION, CAVITE, P. I.  
PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE \$300



12354  
The Auditor for the Navy Department  
Treasury Department, 24759  
Washington, D. C.  
United States of America.

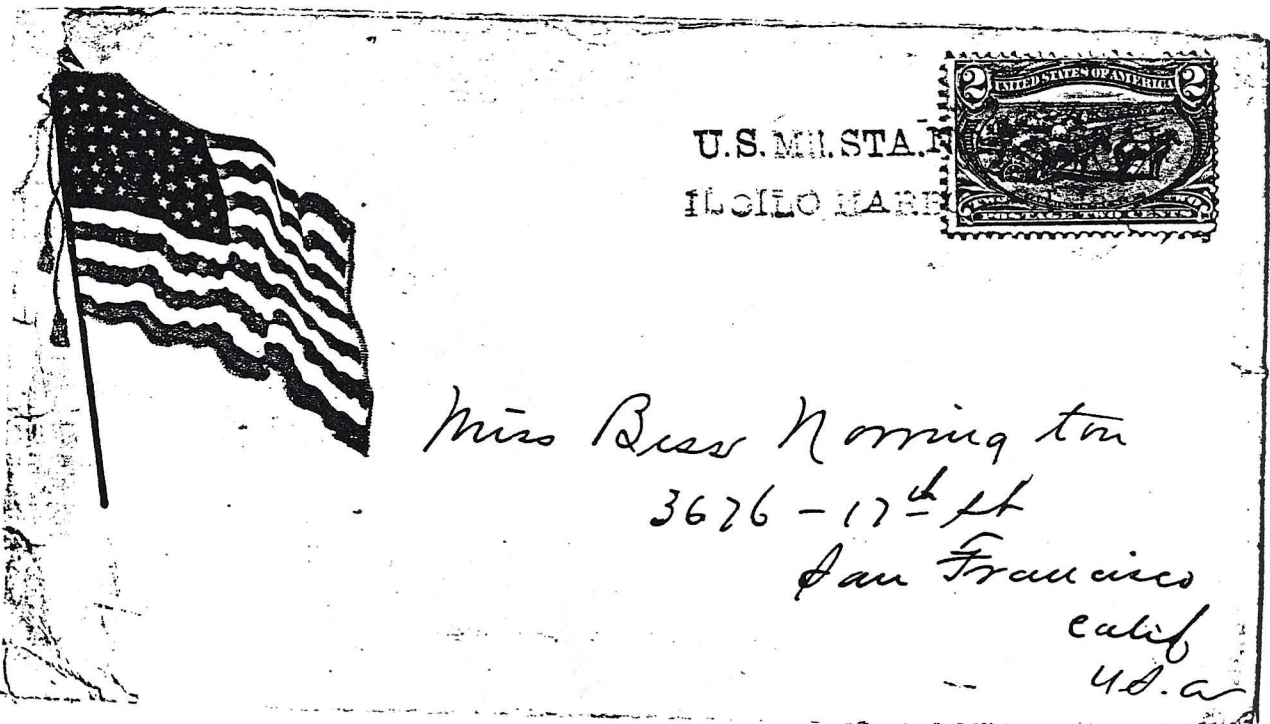
GEO. C. SCHAFER,  
Asst. Paymaster, U.S.N.  
CAVITE, P. I.  
Summary statement of  
abstract deposits for  
October, 1900.

5/3  
REGISTERED  
NOV 10 1900  
Military Sta. No. 2, Cavite,  
Philippine Islands. R. NO. 16710  
MANILA, P. I.

PHILIPPINES  
Panay

U.S. Mil. Sta. No. 3 Iloilo Harbor  
10 February 1899  
- February 1899

MIL. STA. No.  
MANILA, P. I.  
FEB 15 1899  
GENERAL DELIVERY.



The first provisional marking from Iloilo read "Iloilo Harbor" and is one of the more elusive military station markings. It is recorded used from 18 December 1898 to 7 March 1899. The cover above is backstamped for receipt in San Francisco on 25 February.

PHILIPPINES  
Panay

U.S. Mil. Sta. No. 3 Iloilo  
2 March 1899  
7 March 1899

U S Mil. Sta. No. 3 S.F. CAL.  
ILOILO P.I. MAR 2



L. Dixon Esq  
Messrs Holladay Wise & Co  
Apartado 100  
Manila

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ILOILO P.I. MAR 2  
L. G. 8844  
Francisco Carreras  
Paseo Isabel II n.º 6.  
Barcelona 912

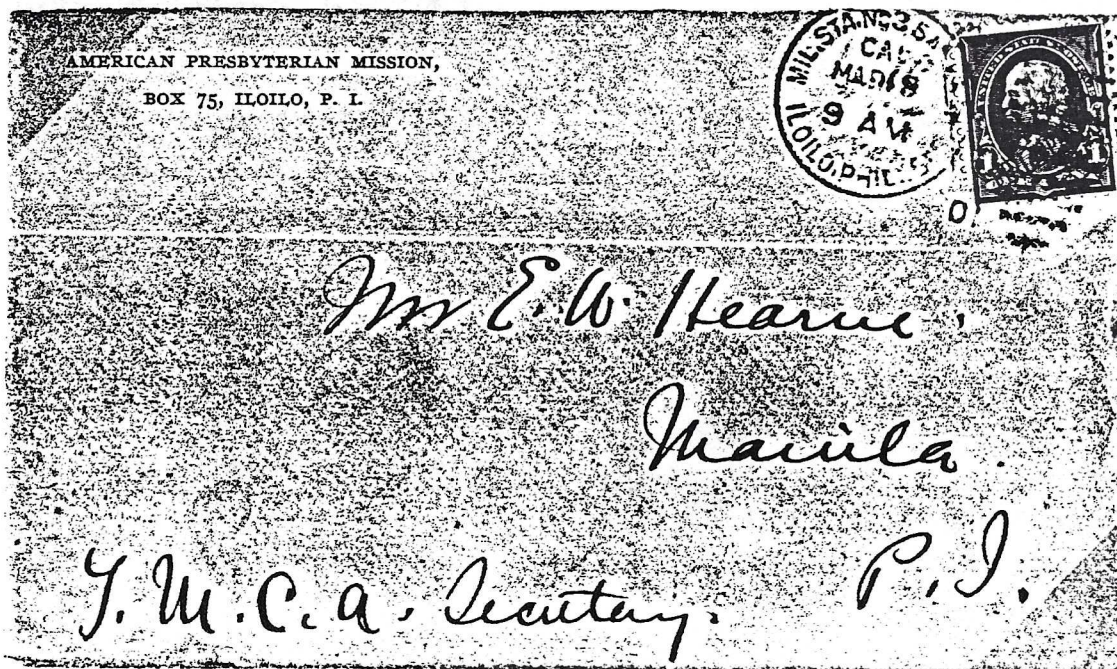
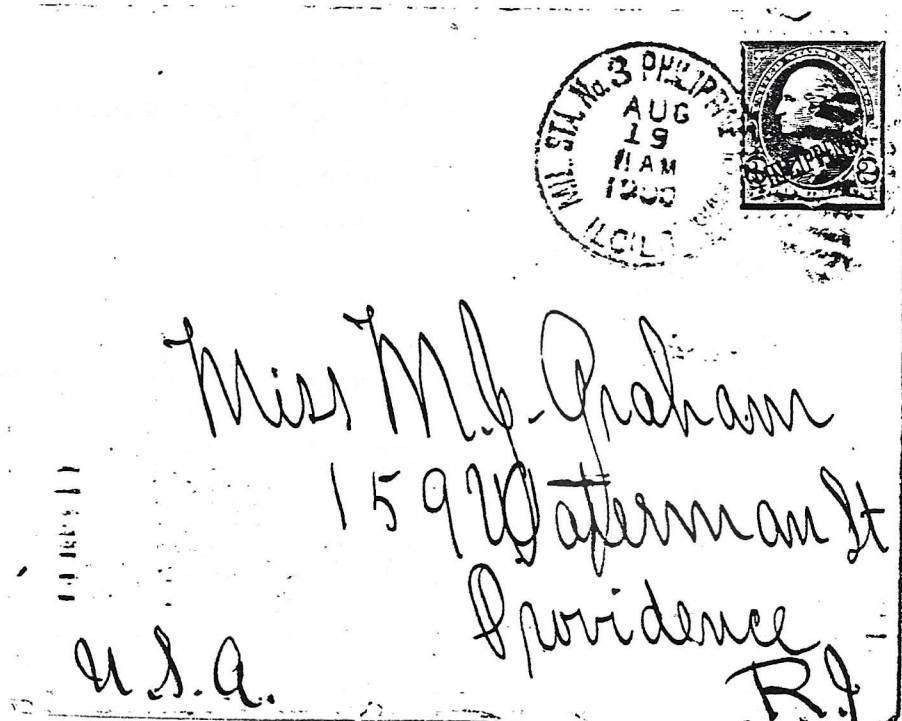




The second provisional marking dropped the "Harbor" designation. It has been recorded as being used for only 2 months, from 11 February to 11 April 1899. Examples are shown with black and purple ink, with the latter being on a registered cover, a very unusual usage.

PHILIPPINES  
Panay

Mil. Sta. No. 3 Iloilo  
19 August 1900  
19 March 1901

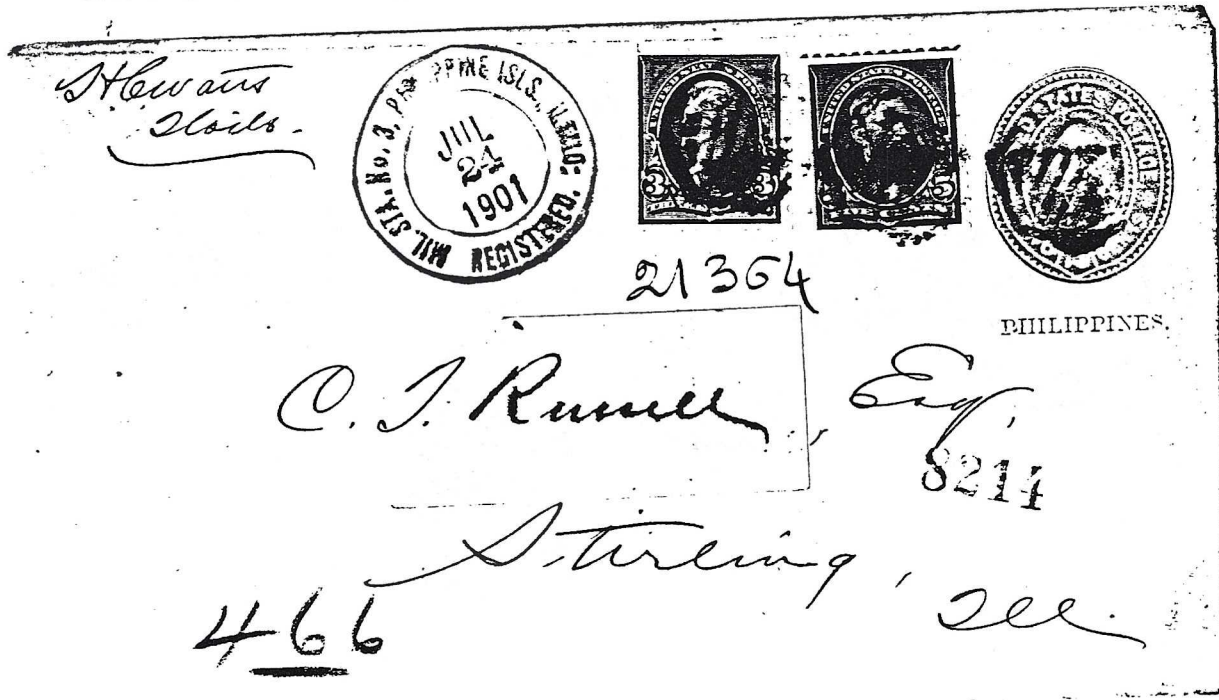
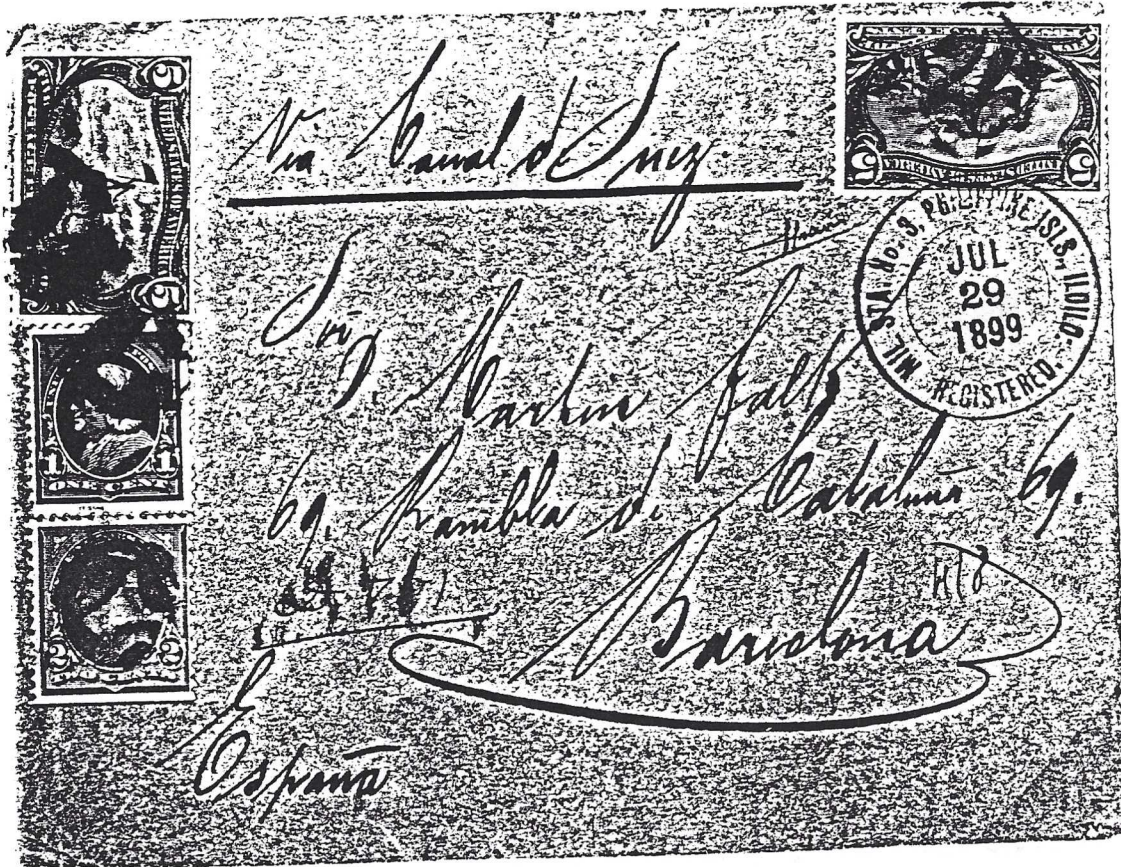


Both types of steel duplexes were used at Iloilo. The small version is recorded from 16 March 1899 to 28 November 1901, which the larger one runs from 6 May 1899 to 14 September 1900.



PHILIPPINES  
Panay

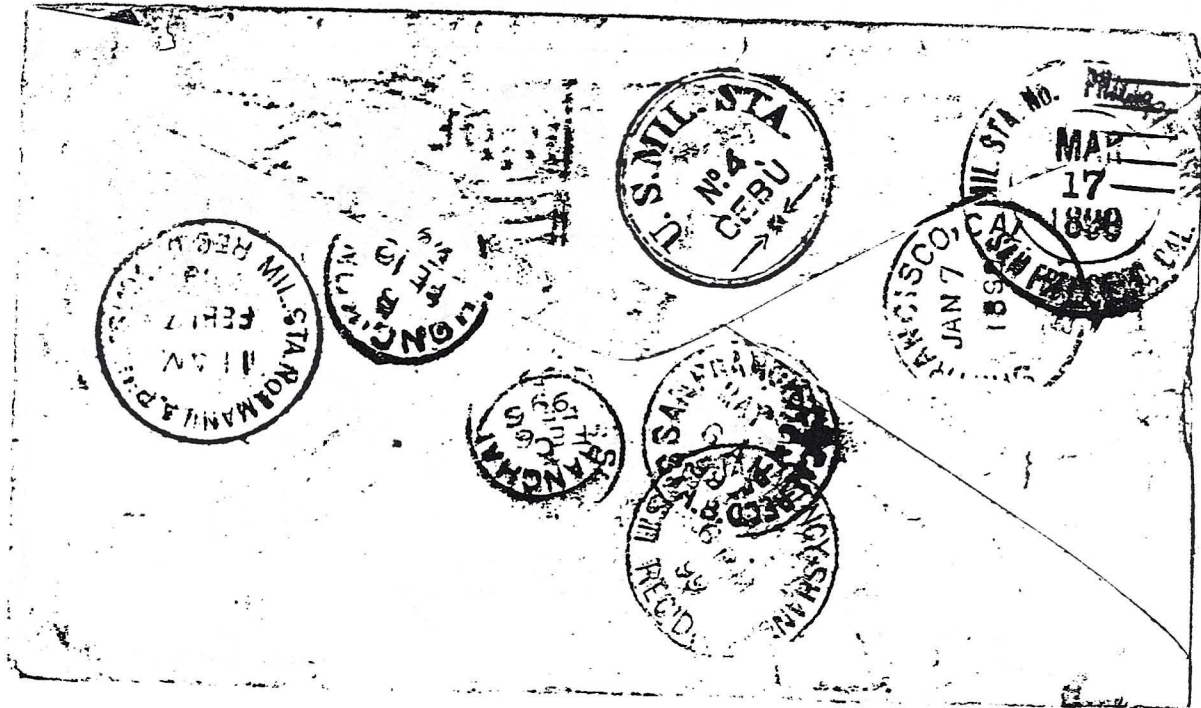
Mil. Sta. No. 3 Iloilo  
29 July 1899  
24 July 1901



As early Philippine markings go, the Registration handstamp for Military Station No. 3 was in use for an extended period, with recorded usage from 17 April 1899 to 16 September 1901.

PHILIPPINES  
Cebu

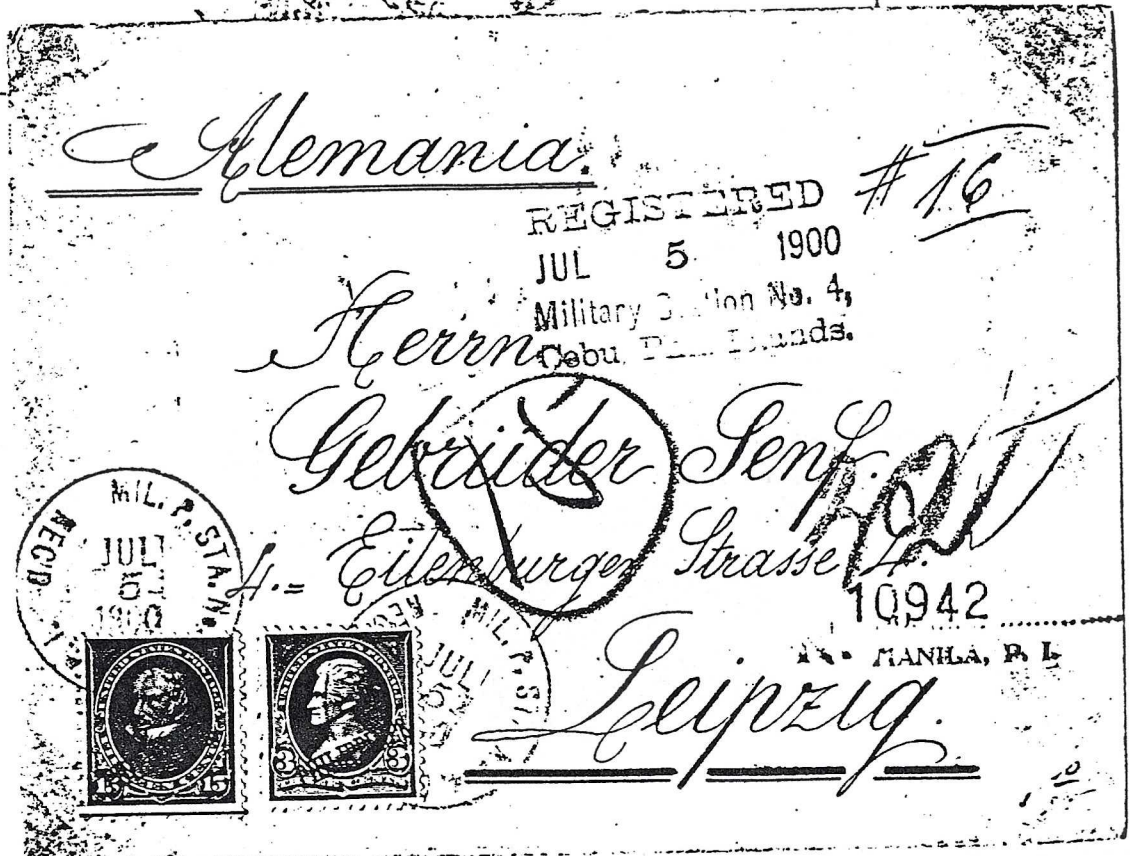
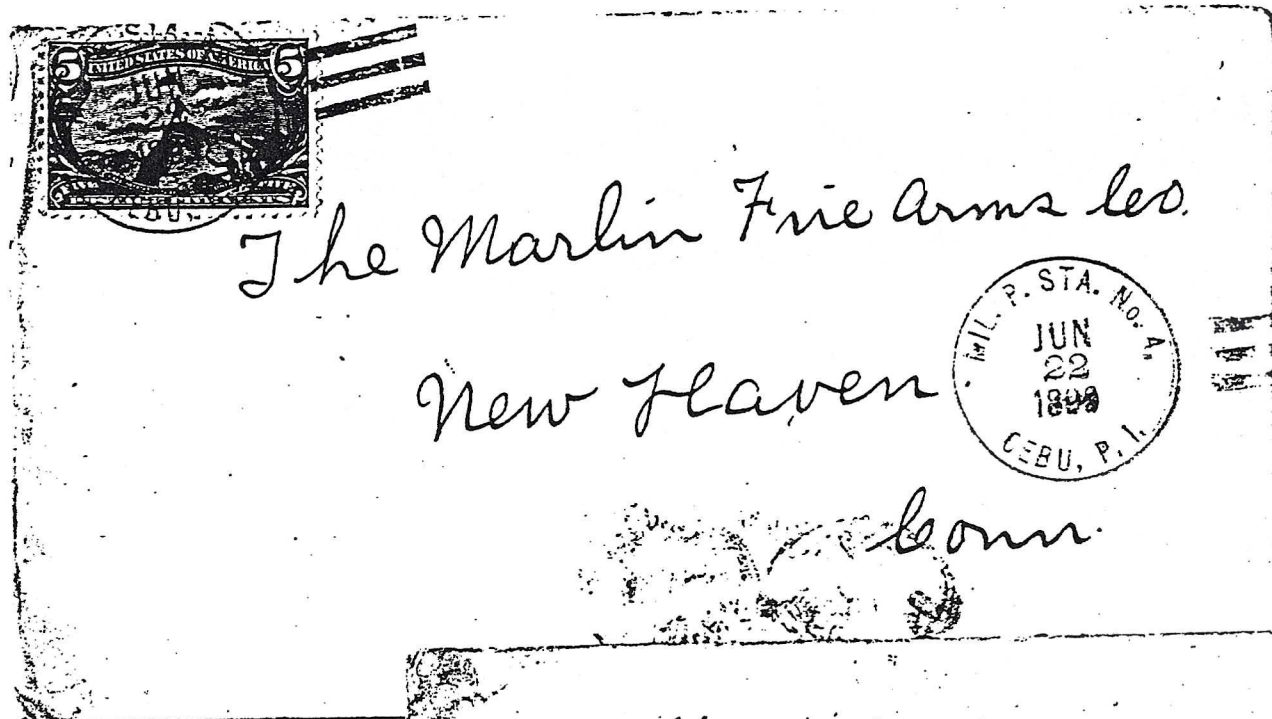
U.S. Mil. Sta. No.4 Cebu  
March 1899  
March 1899



The most unusual military marking from the Philippines is an undated one from Military Station No. 4 at Cebu. It was apparently used in March and April 1899 and is difficult to find on cover.

PHILIPPINES  
Cebu

Mil. Sta. No. 4 Cebu  
22 June 1899  
5 July 1900

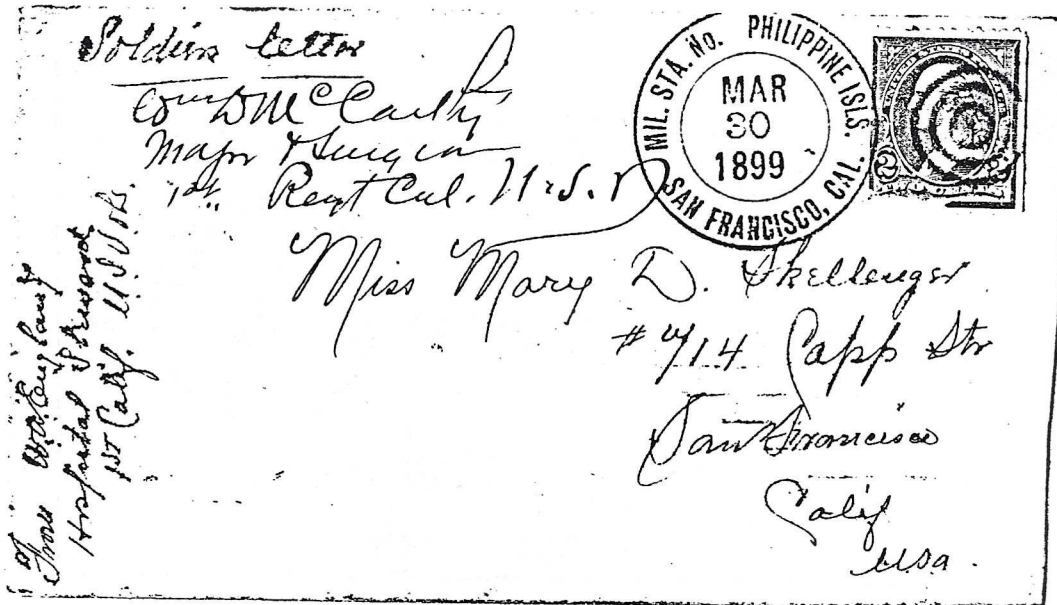


The standard single circle cds for Cebu is recorded used from 6 June 1899 to 14 September 1900. The 4-line registration marking is recorded as used from 20 March 1900 to 11 December 1901, and such covers are elusive.

PHILIPPINES  
Negros

Mil. Sta. No. -  
30 March 1899

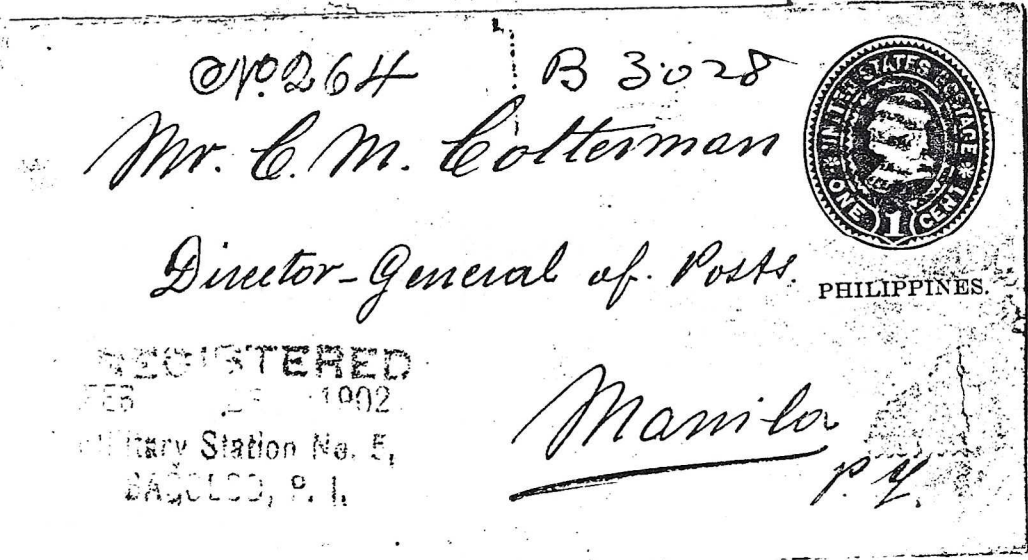
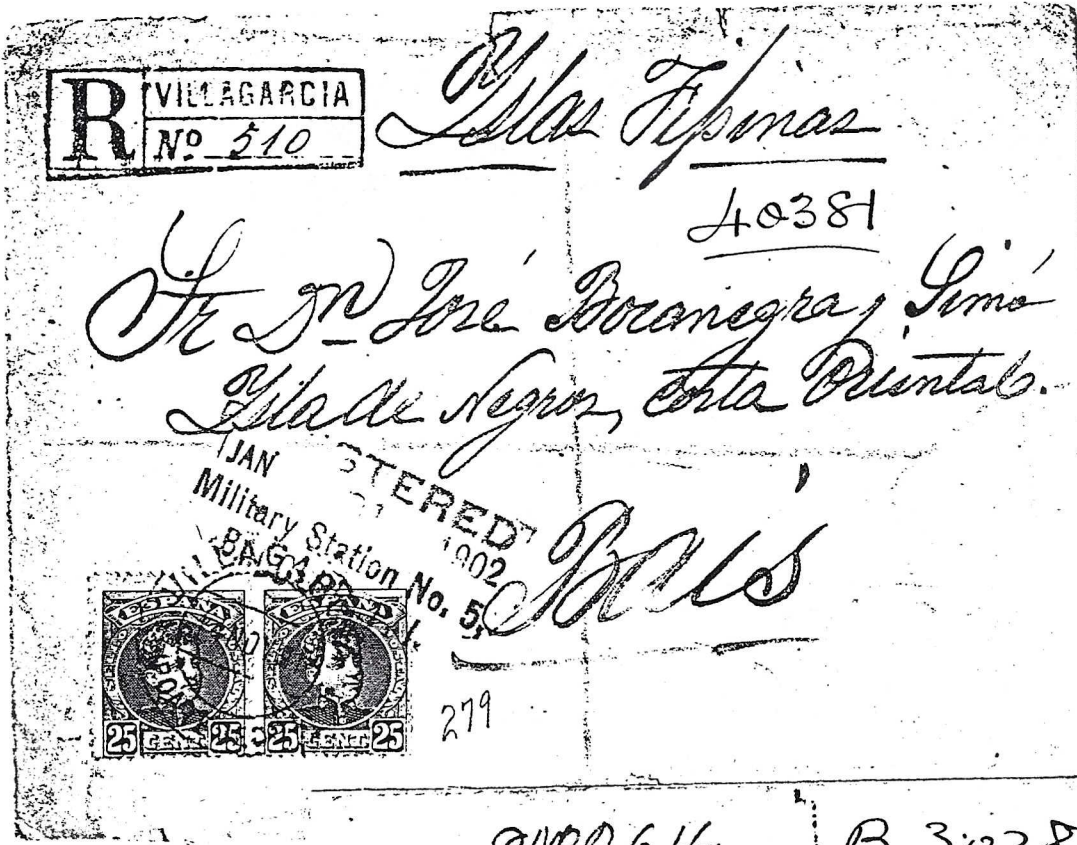
Mil Sta. No.5 Bacolod  
27 May 1899



In March 1899, a small contingent (not more than a company) of California Volunteer Infantry was sent to occupy the Island of Negros. As new steel postmarks had been put in service in Manila, the Californians were given the old rubber double ring marking with the station number "1" excised. This temporary cancel was used at Bacolod from 15 March to 2 May 1899. The new single ring rubber marking was used from 3 May 1899 to 20 April 1901.

PHILIPPINES  
Negros

Mil Sta. No.5 Bacolod  
31 January 1902  
28 February 1902



Registered mail from the Bacolod military station is very unusual. Only four examples of the 4-line marking are recorded (three on outbound mail). The above cover from Spain showing its use as a receiving mark is the discovery example on inbound mail.

PHILIPPINES  
Luzon

Mil. Sta. No. 6 Maloios  
5 July 1899  
11 July 1899

Soldiers Letter  
Capt. Buchanan  
Capt. Co. S. 17<sup>th</sup> U.S. Inf.

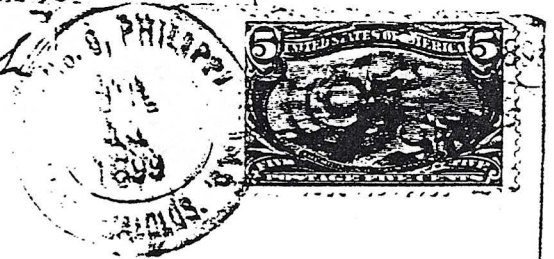


Miss Bertie Ketter

St. Clair

St. Clair Co.

you Capt. W. R. ...  
17<sup>th</sup> U.S. Inf.

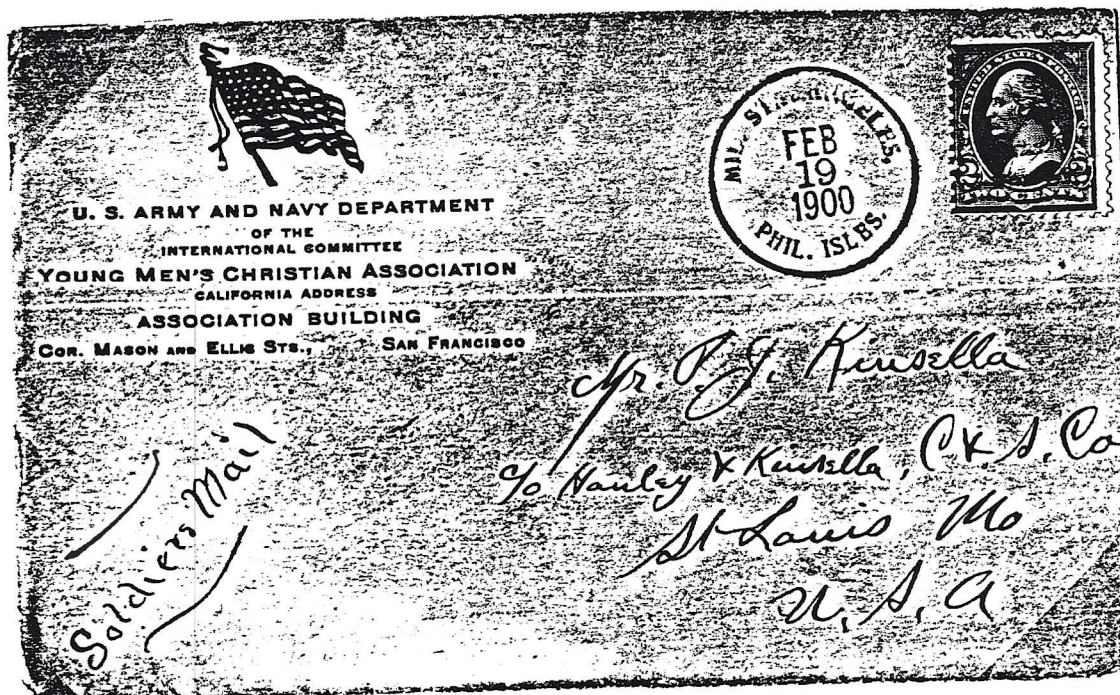
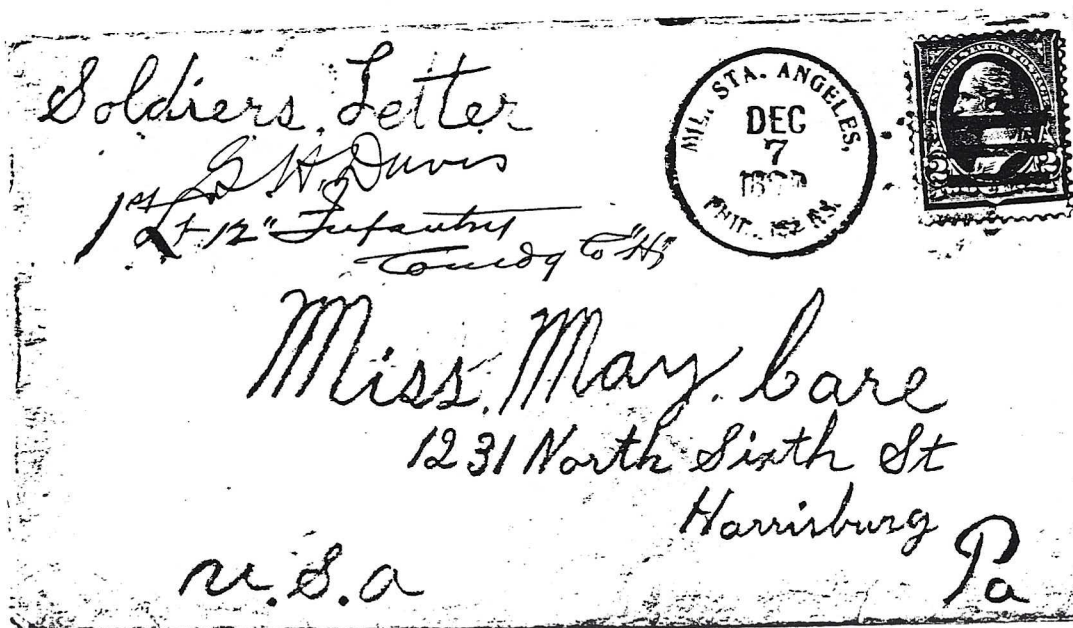


Col. Joseph A. Corby  
St. Joseph, Mo.  
U.S. America

The last and most difficult of the numbered military postal stations in the Philippines, there are only five examples recorded of the Station No. 6 marking -- with postmarks from April to July 1899.

PHILIPPINES  
Luzon

Mil. Sta. Angeles  
7 December 1899  
19 February 1900



After the initial six military postal stations, nine more units were opened, but no additional numbers were assigned. One of this latter group was in the town of Angeles, located on the Dagupan & Manila railway. It used a single type of circular cds, with recorded dates from 5 October 1899 to 13 February 1901.

PHILIPPINES  
Luzon

Mil. Sta. Aparri  
3 January 1900  
3 February 1900

U. S. S. PRINCETON.  
SAILOR'S LETTER.



Mr. R. D. Sleeper  
Campello  
Mass U.S.A

From P.S. Rossiter  
act. act. Surg. U.S.A.  
Aparri Luzon

202/60

FORWARDED



PHILIPPINES.

Registered #

6014

Ms. P.S. Rossiter  
~~822 Cal. St. S.F.~~  
2726 Baltimore Minn.  
~~Hollock~~  
NO. 153 Maryland  
MANILA, P. I.  
10256 Minn. U.S.A.  
8737

The U.S.S. *Concord* anchored off Aparri in northernmost Luzon and took formal possession in May 1899. However, there are no recorded examples of this postmark until December 1899, extending until February 1901.