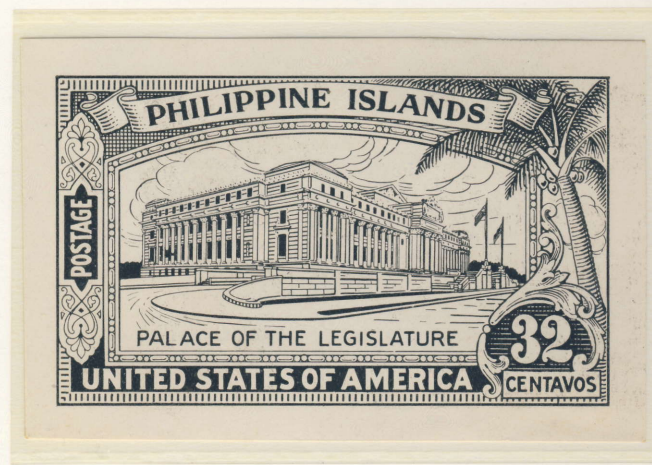
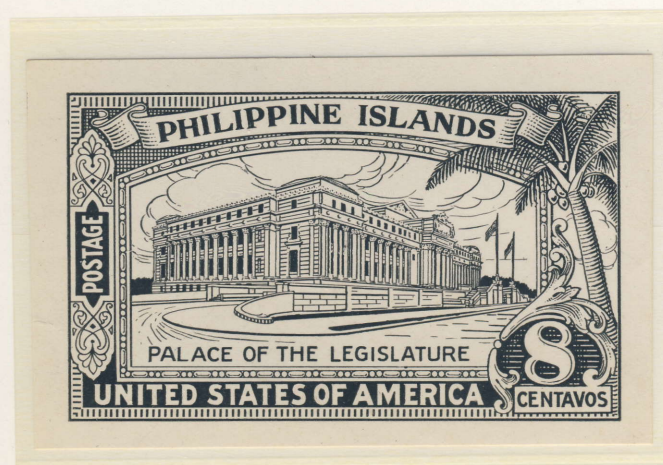


DESIGN ESSAYS IN BLACK ON GLAZED CARD



UNISSUED DENOMINATIONS



Only Recorded Complete Set

While the Essays show an intent, or at least a contemplation to print both an 8c and 32c stamp, neither was ever issued. There was a logical basis for printing an 8c stamp. This had been a standard value for the Philippines since 1901, and would have been used to pay the double weight first class rate (1-2 oz.) to the United States and possessions and to the Spanish-American Postal Union countries, as well as the Sample of Merchandise rate (8c/100g) in all foreign countries. However, at no time had there previously been a 32c value printed in the Philippines. While that value could have been used to pay the first class rate to a foreign destination for 41-60g, there was no precedent for the value and it would have been surplusage. Ultimately, only one 32c stamp was ever issued during the U.S. Possession and Commonwealth periods 1899-1946, and that was in 1932. Even then, the stamp saw little use until the advent of overseas airmail service in 1935.

One additional example is recorded for each of the 2c and 4c values. Otherwise, the examples shown are the

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