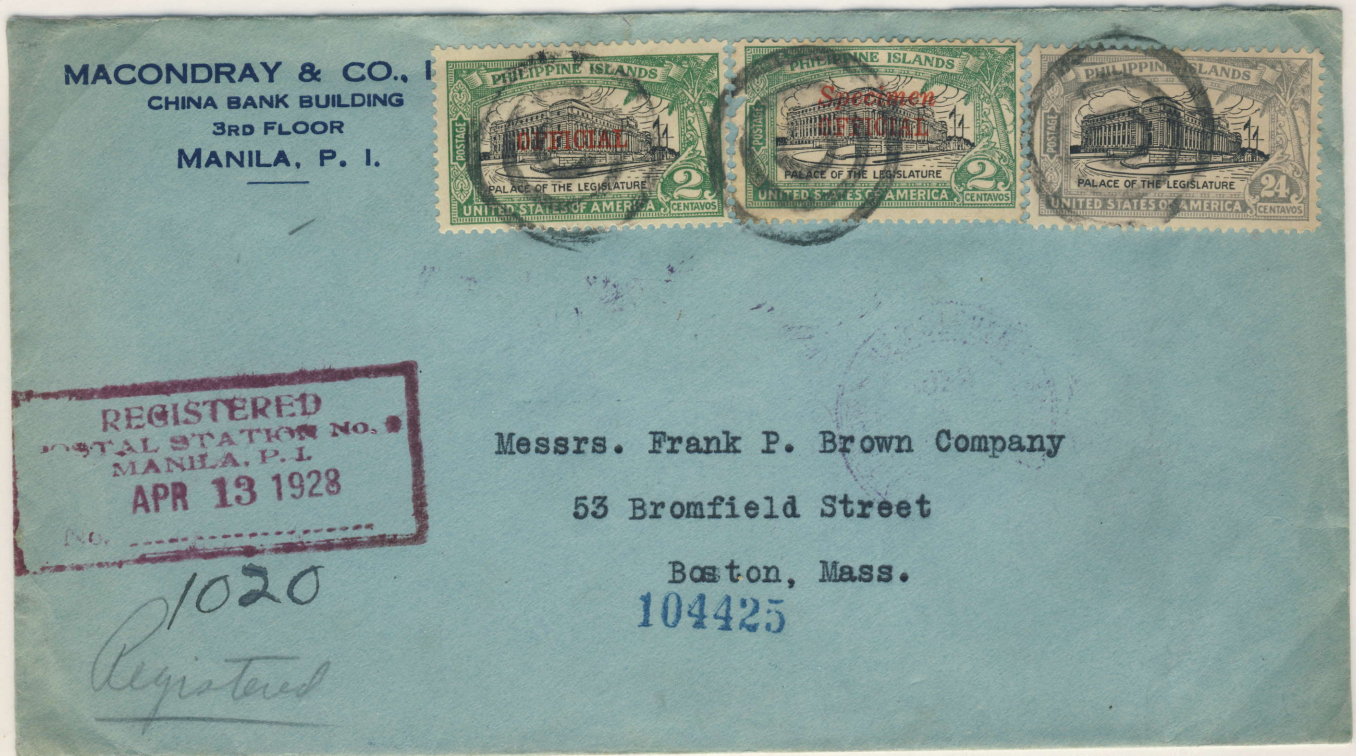


SPECIMEN OVERPRINT POSTAL HISTORY



Manila to St. Gallen, Switzerland, via Siberia, Oct. 11, 1932. Rec. Nov. 21st
16c first class rate to foreign destination, 1-20g., plus 20c registry fee. Circled-Star mute killer.
Only Example Recorded of 4c Specimen on Cover



Manila to United States, April 13, 1928. Rec. May 11th
8c for 1-2oz., 20c registry fee. Target mute killer.
Only Example Recorded of 2c Official Specimen on Cover

It is indicative of the small regard collectors attributed to the Specimen Overprints, and the belief they would not appreciate in value, that they ended up being used on these commercial covers. In each instance the Specimen stamp contributed to the correct amount of postage, and was not surplusage as far as the required postal rate.