

2C GREEN OFFICIAL POSTAL HISTORY  
BISECTED STAMP ON COVER

After 5 days, return to

北星堂書店  
東京市神田區錦町三ノ七  
振替東京一六〇二四番  
電話神田一四二九番

The HOKUSEIDO Press

Nishikicho 3-chome, Kanda, Tokyo,  
JAPAN

To  
Librarian  
University of Pennsylvania Library  
Philadelphia, Pa., U. S. A.



Manila to United States, January 28, 1927  
3c Second Class Rate, per pound, to United States and Possessions

*Only Example Recorded of 2c Bisect - Only Example Recorded of this Postal Rate*

For purposes of this rate, **Second Class mail** is defined as "Newspapers, periodicals and regular publications entered as second-class matter." The rate was 3 centavos for each pound or fraction thereof on that portion devoted to matter other than advertisements and 18 centavos for each pound or fraction on that portion devoted to advertisements.

While the return address on this cover is in Japan, research establishes the publisher also had a branch in Manila. The inquiry is relevant, as publications entered as second-class matter when sent by other than the publisher required an increased postage rate. In that circumstance, the second class mail rate was 4 centavos for each 2 ounces or fraction thereof, for weights not exceeding 8 ounces. And for weights of such matter exceeding 8 ounces, the rate was computed as fourth-class mail, which was 24 centavos for each pound or fraction.