

"VICTORY - COMMONWEALTH" OVERPRINT - 4c. GREEN

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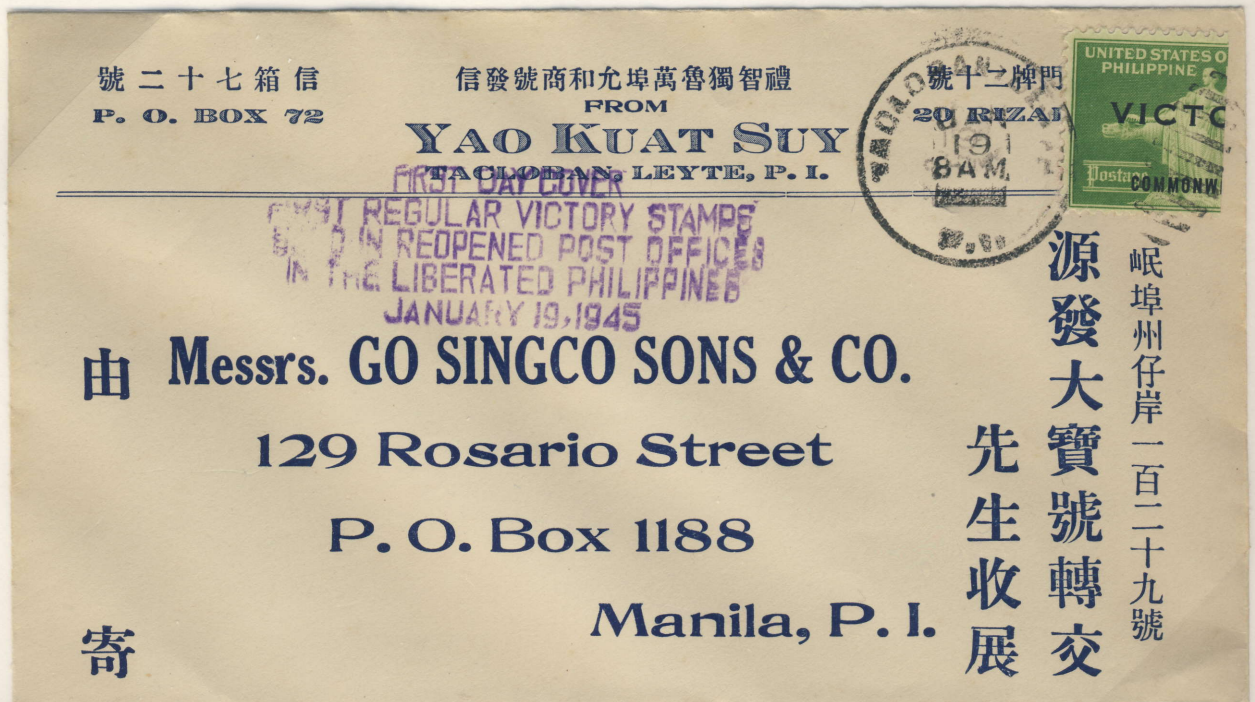


Major Perf Shift

Contrary to "notes" in the Scott Catalogue for decades, the BEP did not simply add the word "Victory" as an additional overprint to previously overprinted stamps with the small "Commonwealth" overprint. Both words were simultaneously applied to unoverprinted stamps in Sept.-Oct. 1944.



Horizontal Perfs Shifted Down
Small O.B. handstamp for Official Use



BISECT to pay
2c. Internal First
Class Rate, 1-20g

Only Example
Recorded



Manila to Dietikon,
Switzerland, Oct. 19,
1945. 20c. First Class
Rate, 21-40g