



# United States Possessions Philatelic Society USPPS

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Diplomat without Portfolio

# United States Possessions and Administrative Areas

- **Canal Zone** (1904 - 1979)
- **Cuba** (1898 - 1902)
- **Guam** (1898 - present)
- **Hawaii** (1898 - present)
- **Pacific Trust Territories** (1945 - 1980s)
- **Philippines** (1898 - 1946)
- **Puerto Rico** (1898 - present)
- **Samoa** (1899 - present)
- **Virgin Islands** (1917 - present)

# U.S. Post Offices Abroad

- **Shanghai, China (1867-1922)**
- **China - Boxer Rebellion (1900)**
- **Vera Cruz, Mexico (1916)**
- **AEF - North Russia (1919)**
- **AEF - Siberia (1919)**
- **U.S. Marine Corps Occupations  
of Haiti and Nicaragua**
- **Allied Military Government (AMGs)**
- **Italy, France, Germany, Austria**
- **American Military Government in Korea**
- **American Military Government in Ryukyu Islands**
- **Military Post Offices (APOs and FPOs)**

# 1893 Hawaii – Before Annexation



Printed by the American Bank Note Company for the Kingdom of Hawaii,  
Overprinted **Provisional Govt 1893** by the Republic of Hawaii,  
Hawaii Annexed by the U.S. in 1898,  
and valid for Postage until 1900.

# 1899 Overprinted GUAM



Eleven Ordinary Values and the Special Delivery Issue  
are on this cover.

# 1899 Overprinted GUAM



Estimated 1899 Population – 10,000 Adult Males

15¢ Stamps – 5,000

50¢ Stamps – 4,000

\$ 1. Stamps – 3,000

# 1930 Guam Guard Mail



First Issue (April 1930) – Small Size Overprint **GUAM GUARD MAIL**

# 1930 Locally Printed on Guam



Second Issue (July 1930) – Printed at the Federal Works Print Shop in Agana, Guam



# 1930 Guam Guard Mail



Large Size **GUAM GUARD MAIL** Overprints  
Third Issue (August 1930) overprinted with Black Ink and  
Fourth Issue (December 1930) overprinted with Red Ink

# 1901 Overprinted PHILIPPINES and handstamped **O. B.** for Official Business



THE BLUE INK **O. B.** HANDSTAMPS  
ARE INVERTED AT  
POSITIONS 7 AND 17.

**O. B.** Either Handstamped or Overprinted were intended to curb thefts

# 1899 - 1901 Overprinted PHILIPPINES



Stamp Ink colors are similar

The 5¢ is overprinted **PHILIPPINES** with Black Ink

The \$ 2.00 is overprinted **PHILIPPINES** with Red Ink

# 1901 and 1907 Special Deliveries



# 1899-1901 Postage Dues



# 1903-1906 Overprinted PHILIPPINES



Multiple Printings created different shades – some are rare.

# U.S. 1903 Two Cents Shield Design



The **PHILIPPINES** “Booklet Pane” Stamps were issued in November 1903 *before* either of the “Sheet Type” overprinted stamps in 1904.

**CANAL ZONE** issued in July 1904 and **PHILIPPINES** in September 1904

# 1906-1935 Philippines



The basic 2c Stamp was used for 8 Issues over 30 years.

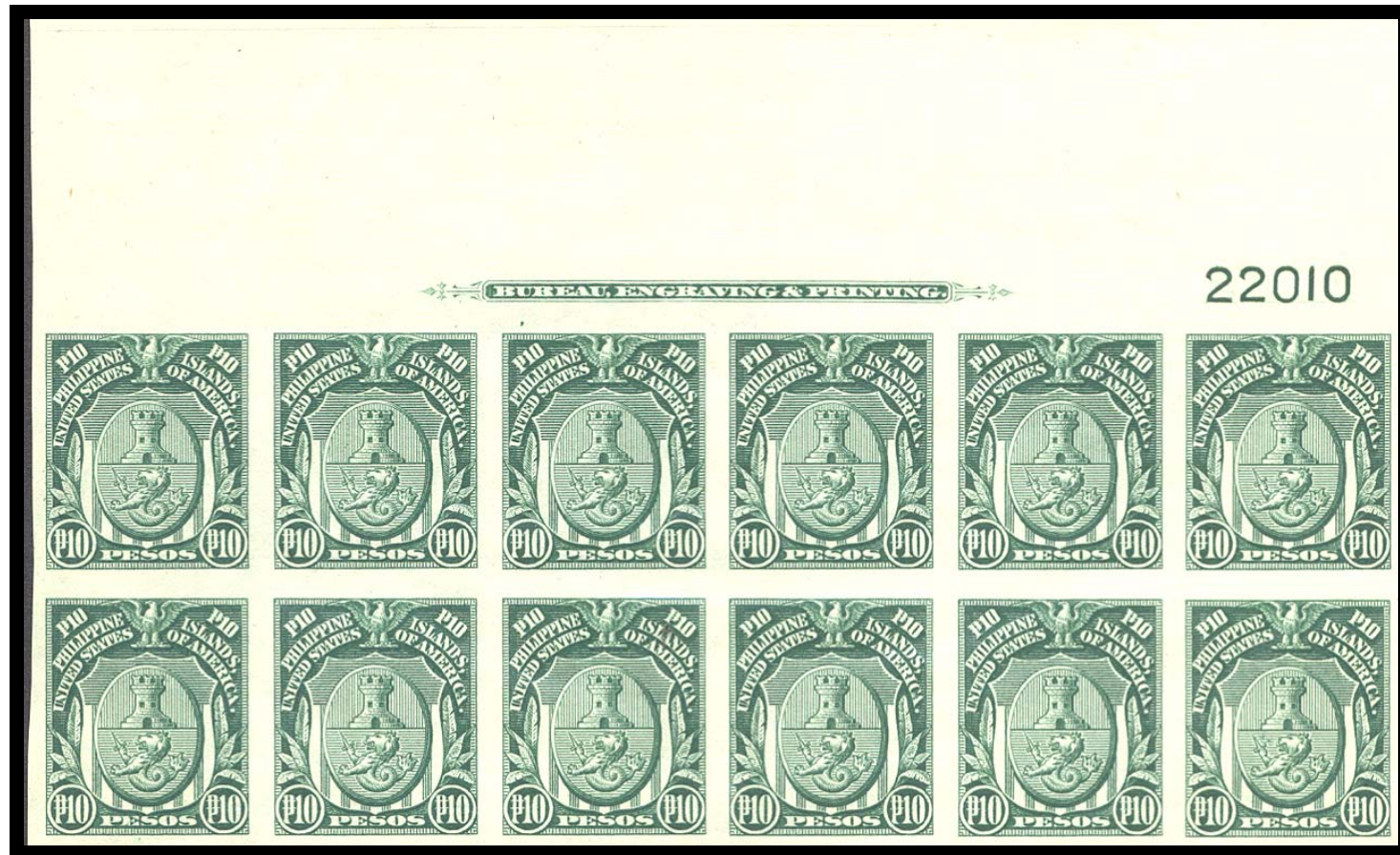


# 1925 Philippine Imperforate



Some **SPECIMEN** are horizontal and some **SPECIMEN** are on a diagonal

# 1925 Philippine Imperforate



The only known **1925** Ten Peso Plate Number Piece

120 Pesos equaled \$ 60.00

In 1925, several weeks of pay in the USA and a small fortune in the Philippines

# 1926 Legislative Palace Issue



Printed by the Philippine Bureau of Printing in Manila and the Printing Plates did not have Plate Numbers.

# Series of 1934 Booklet Panes



LARGE SIZE  
**COMMON -  
WEALTH**  
OVERPRINT



SMALL SIZE  
**COMMON -  
WEALTH**  
OVERPRINT



TRANSPPOSED CLICHÉ  
ON THE LL STAMP  
**WEALTH  
ABOVE  
COMMON -**



HANDSTAMPED  
**VICTORY**  
Type II  
IN VIOLET INK

# Series of 1934 - Ordinaries



# Series of 1934 with O. B.



# 1942 Japanese Occupation Overprints



# 1928 London Orient Flight



These Philippine Ordinary stamps were overprinted in Manila to commemorate the arrival of the RAF Group Captain Henry Meyrick Cave-Browne-Cave, Officer Commanding, the British **Far East Flight**.

The Squadron consisted of four "Southampton" dual float, bi-planes. The Squadron departed England on October 14, 1927 and it arrived in Australia on June 1, 1928. In the fall of 1928, the Squadron was permanently based at Singapore and from there explored possible routes to Hong Kong via British North Borneo and the Philippine Islands. On November 9, 1928, the Squadron departed from Puerto Princesa at Palawan Island and flew to Manila. The Squadron departed Manila on November 16, 1928 and flew to Cabugao en route to Hong Kong.



# 1933 AIR MAIL Overprints



Similar to the  
1930 Papua  
**AIR MAIL**  
Overprints  
Scott Nos. C2 - C4

LEFT SIDE GUIDE LINE  
AND BEP STRAIGHT EDGE.

# 1941 Philippine Air Mails



# 1942 Japanese Occupation



The Ultimate Insult – Your Stamp with an Occupation Overprint

# 1906-1931 Special Deliveries



HANDSTAMPED **SPECIMEN** IN RED INK.



# 1944 Handstamped VICTORY



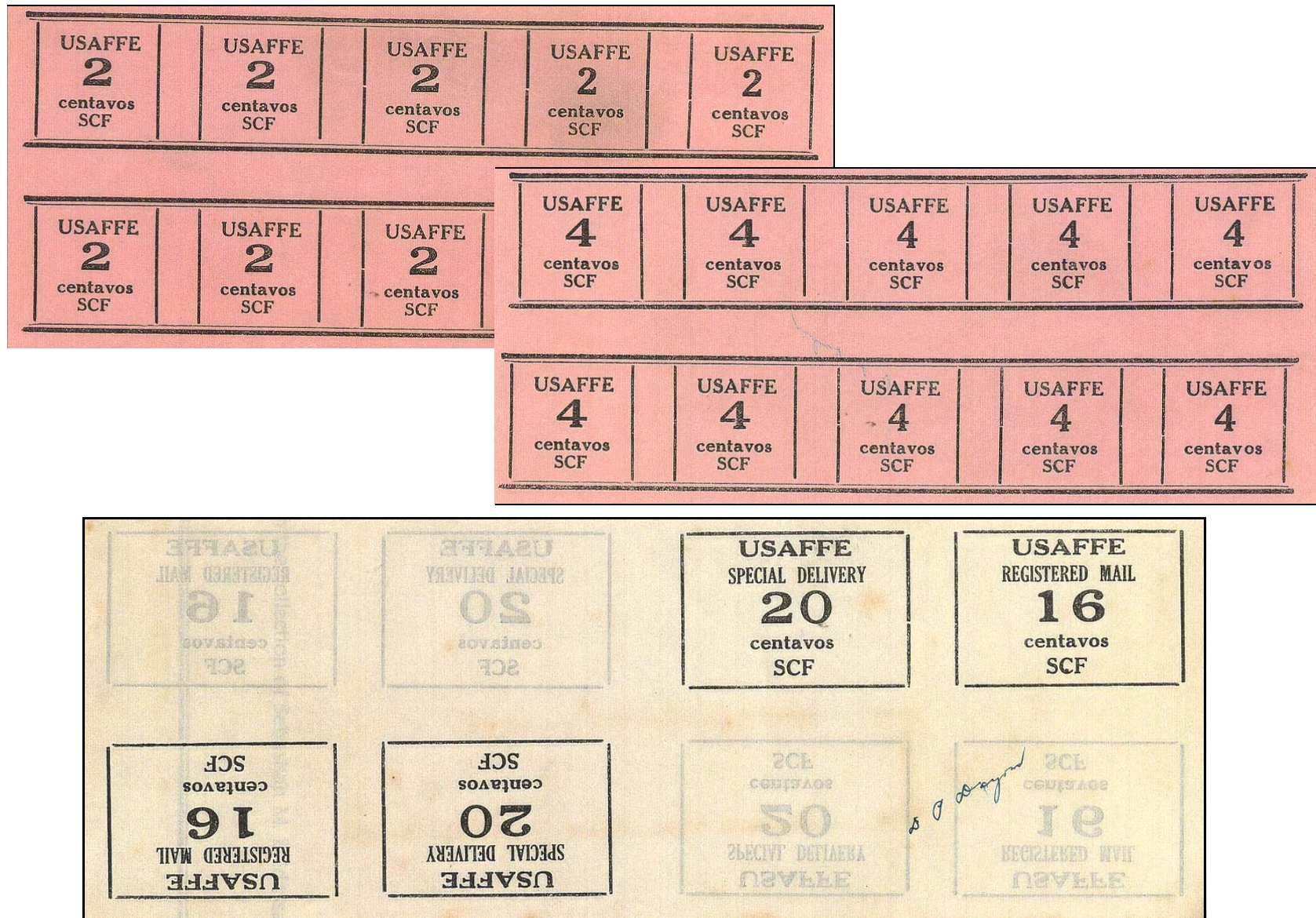
VERTICAL BLOCK OF EIGHT  
BOTTOM PAIR WITHOUT THE  
**VICTORY** HANDSTAMP



# 1928-1944 Postage Dues



# 1942 Philippine Guerrilla Postage



Printed on the Island of Cebu in November 1942 and used into 1943

# 1943 Philippine Guerrilla Postage



Printed in Australia and sent to the Island of Mindanao in the Philippines via the submarine **U.S.S. *Narwhal*** along with Radios, Weapons, Ammunition, Uniforms.



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Stamp Collecting  
should always be  
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