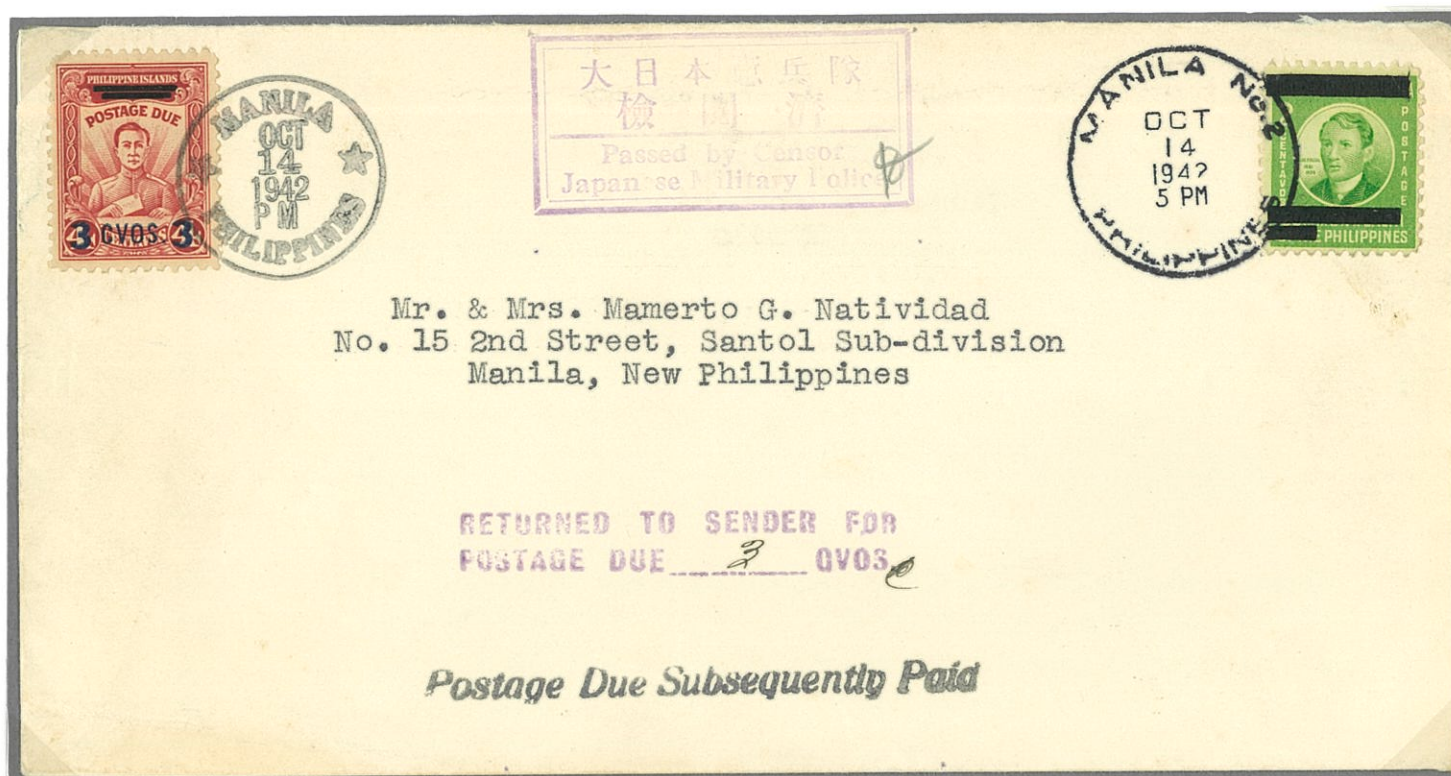


Provisional Postage Dues

The "Double Bar" Postage Due Stamp

Issued as an emergency measure first class letter rate was raised from 2C to 5C on Sep. 1, 1942 to cover the deficit. **The exact date of issue is unknown but considered as early in Sep., 1942.** Postal clerks at the Manila Central Post Office delated "United States of America" on the 1937 Commonwealth postage due stamp by two parallel hand-ruled lines in black ink and affixed to short paid covers, so that **the stamps must be on cover and cancelled**, and mint stamps or off-cover stamps are questionable. Oct.14, 1942 was the last day of use, when the next day machine overprinted stamps were released. **Quantity:** about 1,000

Usage of the Real Last Moment



Oct. 14, 1942, Single First Class Postage Due Mail, Manila Circulating

A philatelic cover posted at 5pm of the last day of use. 5pm is considered as the true last moment.

The "Single Bar" Postage Due Stamp

Issued and used only in Manila on **the afternoon of Oct. 13, 1942** without any prior notice, to replace the "Double Bar" stamps. Press overprinted in deep blue by Bureau of Printing, Manila. **Quantity:** 40,000

Plate No. 113761

Double Penalty on Provincial Short-paid Covers



Jan. 9, 1943

Single first class short-paid Cover, Aparri, Cagayan to Manila

Affixed a 2C provisional stamp at origin and a pair of "Single Bar" stamps was put at Manila.

Double penalty was imposed on the short-paid cover posted in provincial area to Manila.

Censored at Manila