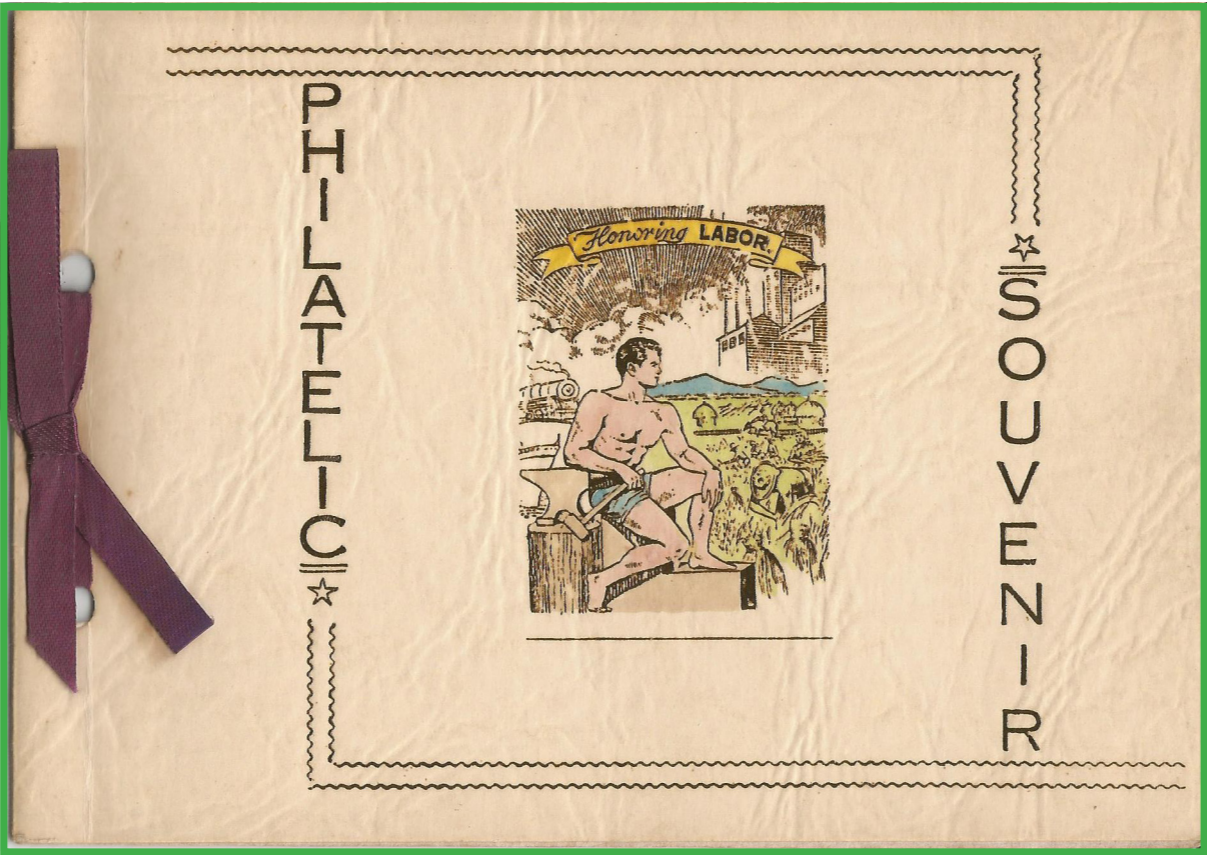


May 26, 1955
LABOR MANAGEMENT CONGRESS



LABOR COMMEMORATIVE STAMP

The present condition of Labor in the Philippines is a far cry from that prevailing in the days of Spanish Colonization when labor was subject to forced recruitment for the purposed of the governments, either in the building of ships or in the construction of government projects and defenses.

The first real attempt to organize labor in the Philippines was undertaken during the early years of American regime. Isabelo delos Reyes, patriot and scholar, was the father of the collective labor movement.

The first Labor Day in the Philippines was observed on May 1, 1913. On that day, the first National Labor Congress was convened in Manila.

To improve the labor conditions in the country, representatives of different labor organizations from all over the Philippines is currently meeting in Manila for the Labor-Management Congress. The Congress is from May 26-28, 1955.

To honor labor, the Bureau of Posts of the Republic of the Philippines issued on this day a 5-centavo denomination stamp, which constitute the first philatelic tribute to labor in this country.

Other particular of the stamp:

<u>Denomination</u>	<u>Color</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Quantity</u>
5-Centavo	Sepia	40.8 x 72.25	1,000,000

