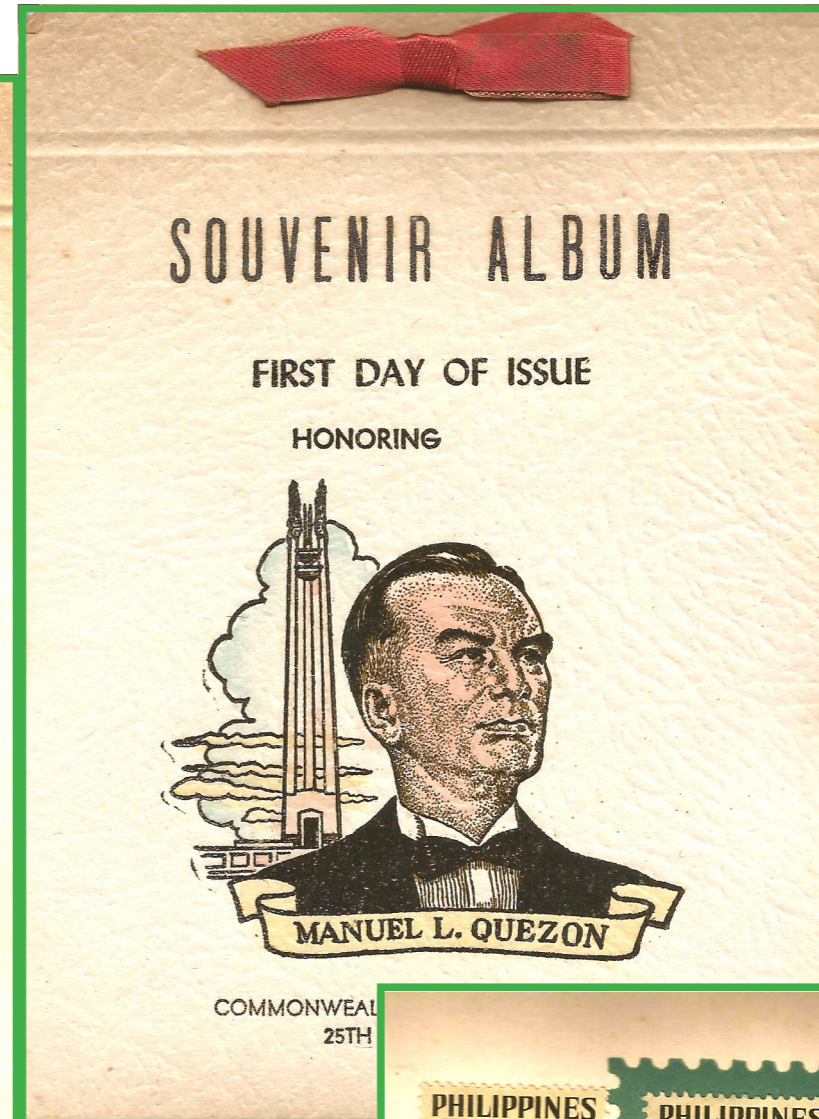
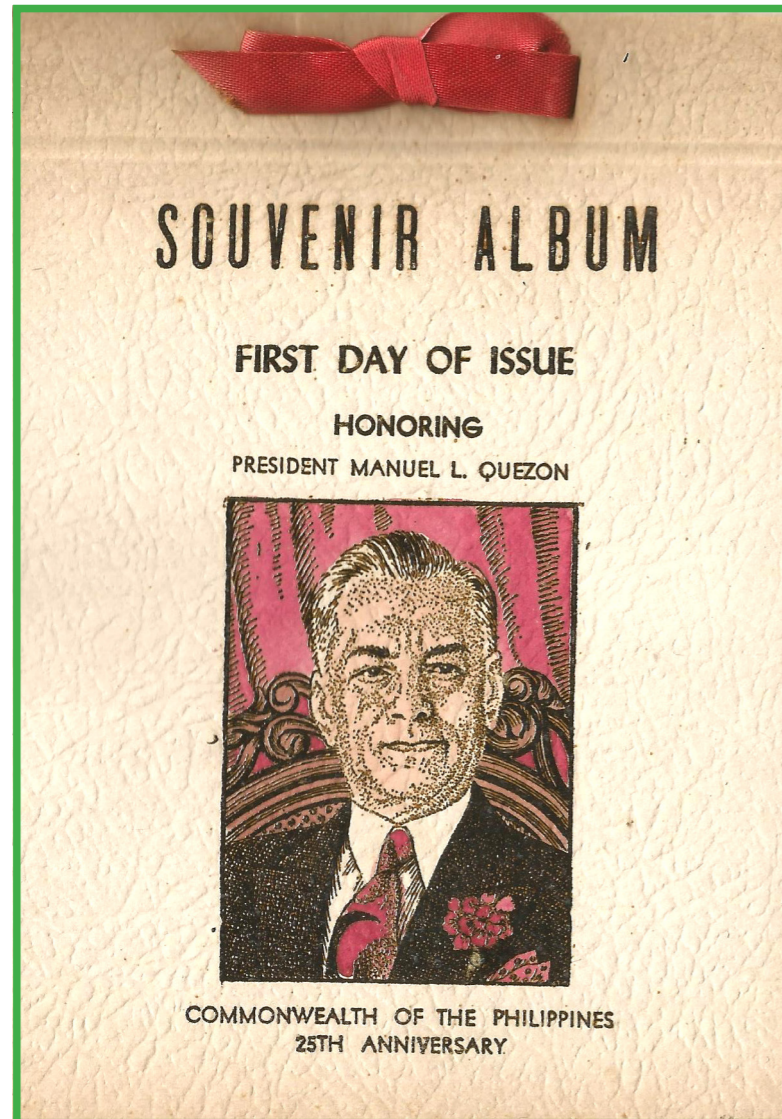


**November 15, 1960
HONORING PRESIDENT MANUEL L. QUEZON**



MANUEL L. QUEZON
Champion of Philippine Independence
(1878 - 1944)

The greatest statesman and most steadfast champion of Philippine Independence ever produced by the Philippines was the late President Manuel L. Quezon

His entire life was devoted to his country that it might ultimately be free and independent. So intense was his love for his country that he even fought during the Philippine Revolution against Spain. Yet, he did not live to see his dream realized although he never lost hope and determination to continue serving his country in spite of his broken health.

Born in Baler, Tayabas, (now Quezon Province), on August 19, 1878, Pres. Manuel L. Quezon possessed that rare gift of prophecy and foresight. He worked through school to become a lawyer, a governor of his native Tayabas, a representative in 1907, the first and last President of the Senate and a resident commissioner in Washington. From Washington, he brought home the Jones Law which promised independence for his beloved country.

He was president in exile when he headed the Commonwealth government of the Philippines in Washington where he escaped when Japan overran the islands.

He died on August 1, 1944, only three months before the liberation from the Japanese invaders.

Fiery and magnificent in spirit until he breathed his last, his colorful era came to an end, but freedom-loving peoples will always respect and admire him. And enshrined in the hearts of his countrymen, he shall remain forever.

Today, as we celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Philippine Commonwealth, we also honor the memory of the late President Manuel L. Quezon.

The one-centavo denomination, olive brown postage stamp, issued by the Bureau of Posts on this occasion was designed by Philatelic Artist Nemesio Dimanlig, Jr.

