

# LIBRERIA MANILA FILATELICA

## 1902

Manila Filatelica, also known as Libreria Manila Filatelica, is credited as being the oldest philatelic and book store in the Philippines. The business was established by Remigio Garcia (proprietor and manager) in 1902 and was originally located at Soler 929, Santa Cruz, Manila. Manila Filatelica was a direct importer of books, newspapers and magazines from Europe and America, as well as a range of office and school supplies. In addition, the shop had a dedicated Philatelic Department that sold stamps, stamp collections and philatelic accessories.

Records in 1926 show the business located at 318-320 Carriedo, Santa Cruz. The business relocated to 331-333 Carriedo, Santa Cruz on September 30, 1939.



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<b>MANILA FILATELICA</b>	
Remigio García, Prop.	
Corresponsal del Madrid Filatélico, de Yvert & Tellier-Champion de París y de Scott Stamp & Coin Co. de Nueva York y miembro de la A. F. F. de Manila.	
1926 — Madrid-Manila — Serie de 2c. a 30c. ....	P 40.00
"      "      "      "   de 2c. a 1p. ....	" 60.00
"      "      "      "   de 2c. a 2ps. ....	" 120.00
1928 — L. O. F. — Serie de 2c. a 1p. Cpta. ....	" 15.00
1932 — Von Gronau — "   de 2c. a 32c. ....	" 8.00
1933 — Ferd. Rein — "   de 2c. a 30c. ....	" 6.00
1926 — Legislatura — "   de 2c. a 1p. ....	" 9.00
1934 — Olimpiada — "   de 2c. a 16c. ....	" 1.00
1935 — Commonwealth — " de 2c. a 50c. ....	" 1.50
" — Clipper — "   de 10 y 30c. ....	" 1.50
--: ESPAÑA :-	
Congreso de los Diputados (1916) con efigie de Cervantes 8 valores. Completa. ....	P 8.50
SENADO 8 valores. Completa. ....	" 8.50
1926 — CRUZ ROJA 14 valores completa. ....	" 10.00
1930 — COLON 10 valores ....	" 6.60
MODERN POSTAGE STAMP ALBUM. ....	" 2.50
INTERNATIONAL (JUNIOR EDITION) cartoné ....	" 6.60
"      "      "      "   tela ....	" 8.80
"      "      "      "   (Nineteenth Century) tela ....	" 13.00
The Modern Stamp Collecting Outfit ....	" 5.75
The Imperial Stamp Collecting Outfit ....	" 2.30
Tasteless STAMP HINGES 1000 en cajita ....	" 0.40
Hojas para envíos con 48 casillas, 100 ....	" 0.80
CARRIEDO, 318-320	P. O. Box 70
	TEL. 2-50-13.

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Remigio Garcia was an avid stamp collector and was very active in the philatelic circles. He was one of the original organizers of the Asociacion Filatelica de Filipinas (AFF), founded in 1925, holding the position of Vice-President. He also held the position of Treasurer for the AFF between 1938 and 1939. Remigio was also one of the organizers of the Philippine Philatelic Writers' Club, hosting the organizational meeting on October 17, 1939 at the Manila Filatelica premises.