



PHILIPPINES
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Introduction of Special Delivery service and Early usage
Forerunner issues

Bureau of Forestry



1901, 10c Blue, **Special Delivery (E1)**. Posted with two Philippine 2c Rizal green, tied by “Manila P.I. **Jan. 26, 1907**” duplex date stamps on buff locally addressed cover, flap-part missing and slightly reduced at right. Double surface mail rate indicating the envelope could have contained letters weighing more than 20 ounces.

Mr. Frank Bronson was assigned American insular official to head the Bureau of Forestry resources in the Philippine Islands. He arrived in Manila in October 1905 from the U.S. mainland and was appointed to the post starting January 1906.

Annotation – L. 102 / 108 (cursive manuscript) indicates that this was number 102 processed out of 108 letters received as of 10AM, JAN 26, 1907, listed on the record books of the special delivery section of the Manila Post Office.