"Via U.S. Air Mail" Instructional Marks at Manila

Note the two different cachets applied by the Manila Post Office:

Via U.S. AIR MAIL

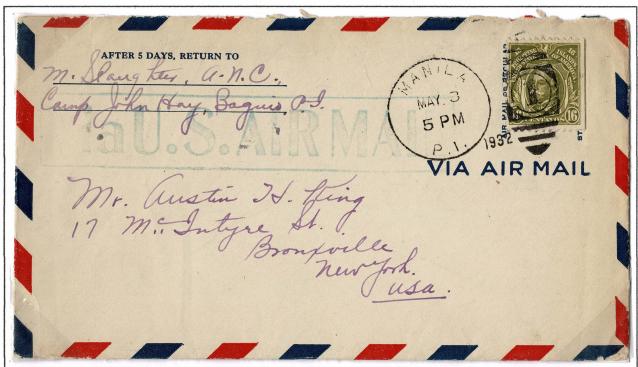
U.S. AIR MAIL / FROM MANILA, P.I.

In 1932, the internal U.S. airmail rate increased to 8 cents per ounce. That fee included any surface component. This included the whole surface transit from the Philippines, which was a U.S. possession.

Route
By ship
from Manila to SF.
By airmail
from SF to NY.

Rate
The 8 U.S. cents
was paid with a
16 centavos stamp.

Manila 3 May 1932 to New York





Special Delivery
The sender
endorsed it as
Special Delivery.
The cost of the
S.D. service was
20 centavos, but
the sender only
paid an extra 10c.

Laoag, Ilocos Norte province, 26 Jan 1935 to Montclair, NJ