APRIL 30, 1943

1P REGULAR PROVISIONAL ISSUE

US 4p Montalban Gorge large Commonwealth issue of 1937 overprinted by the Bureau of Printing in Manila with black deleting bars, obliterating the words "UNITED STATES OF AMERICA" on top and the "COMMONWEALTH" overprint. There was no basic postal rate of 1p, but the value was useful for multiple-rate postal matters.

INVERTED 'S' IN 'PESO' ON FIRST DAY COVER

Exists as a constant variety on position 4 where the bottom loop of the 'S' curls upward in a distinctive manner, unlike the 'S' in any other position in the sheet.



30 April 1943 - Addressed Manila Circulating First Day of Issue of the three stamps on Pre-Printed Envelope. The First Day Covers were only produced in Manila, with associated Duplex Cancellation. Purple rectangular boxed censor handstamp on top left corner.