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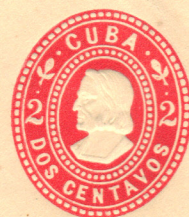
*Unwatermarked Columbus Envelopes*

*1 c., 2 c., & 5 c. Envelopes*

Stamp indicia the same as for the previous issue, but paper is not watermarked. The exact issue date for the Republic's unwatermarked envelopes is not known. They were likely issued separately, as existing stocks of the watermarked envelopes were used up. The three values (1 c., 2 c., & 5 c.) were printed in various sizes and papers for a total of nine listed varieties. There are no knife varieties in this issue, therefore, knife types are not listed.



1 c. green  
size 10.



2 c. carmine  
size 10.



5 c. blue  
size 10.

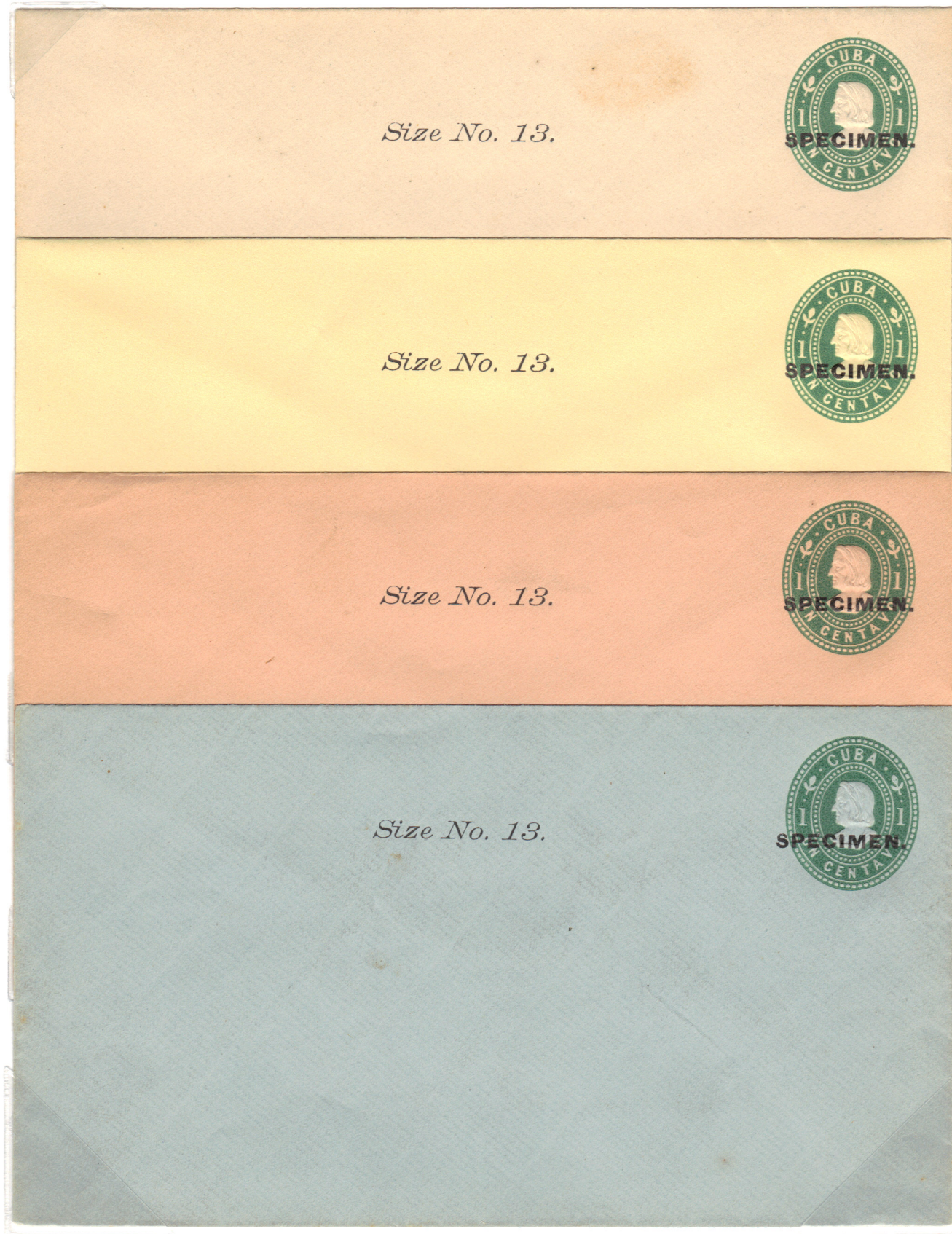
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"SPECIMEN" Set

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The twenty four envelope set consists of the three values (1 c., 2 c., and 5 c.), each value printed on four different papers (white, amber, buff and blue) and two sizes (13 and 8). Most sets, however, are missing the 2 c. on blue, size 8 envelope. The contemporary press credited "reliable sources" in stating a total of eleven sets were known.

1 c. **Specimen** envelopes, size 13.



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"SPECIMEN" Set

1 c. Specimen envelopes, size 8.



*Size No. 8.*



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2 c. Specimen envelopes, size 13.

*Size No. 13.*



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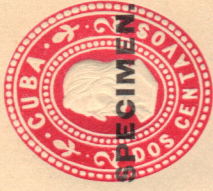


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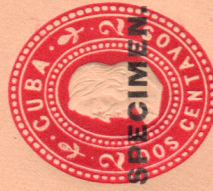
2 c. Specimen envelopes, size 8.



*Size No. 8.*



*Size No. 8.*



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5 c. Specimen envelopes, size 13.

*Size No. 13.*



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*Size No. 8.*



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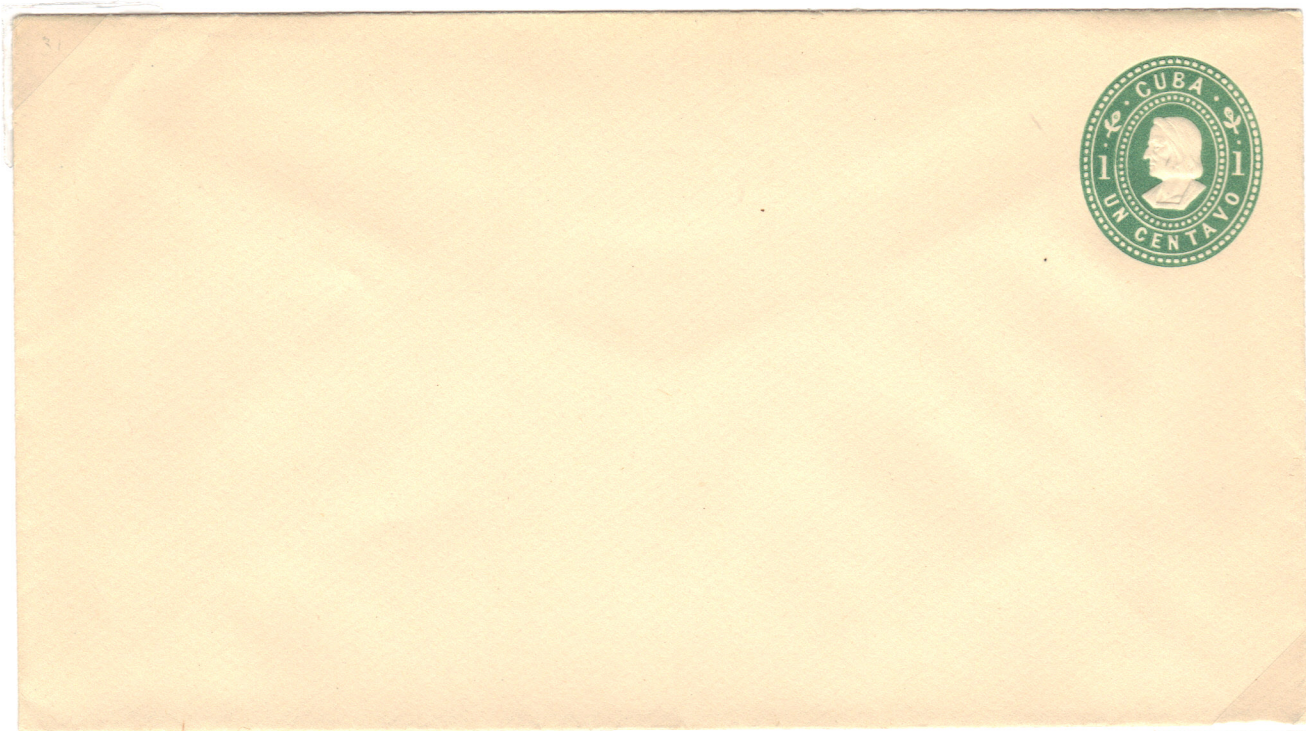
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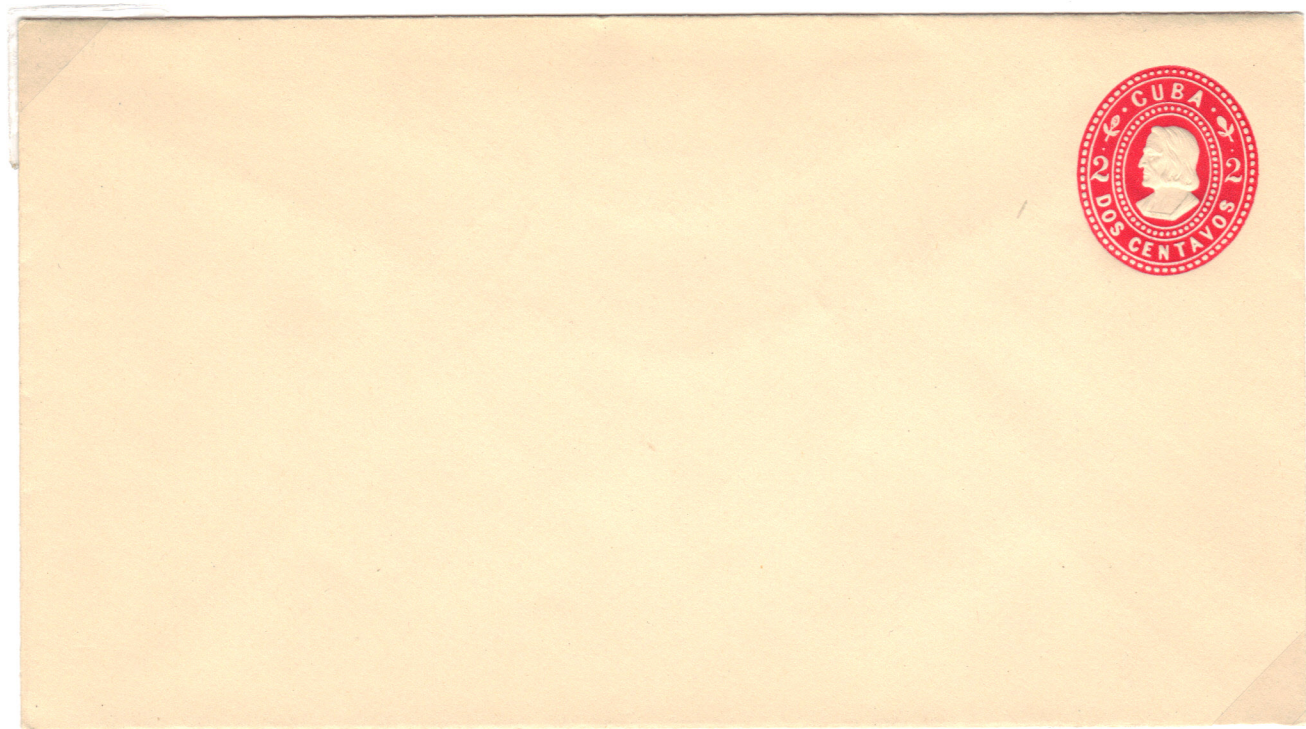
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*Paper color, size varieties  
on issued envelopes.*

Of the twenty four specimens printed, only four went into production. Those four, along with five size 10 envelopes make up the total of nine listed varieties.



1 c. green on **white**, size 13.



2 c. carmine on **white**, size 13.

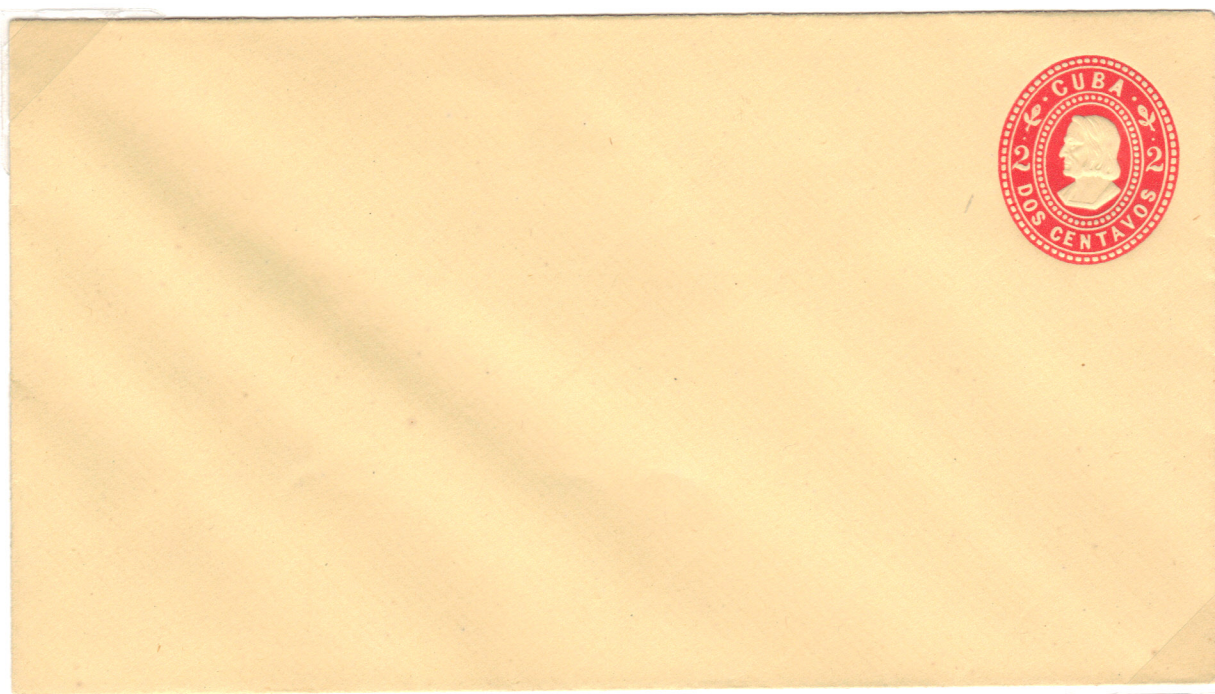


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Paper color, size varieties  
on issued envelopes.

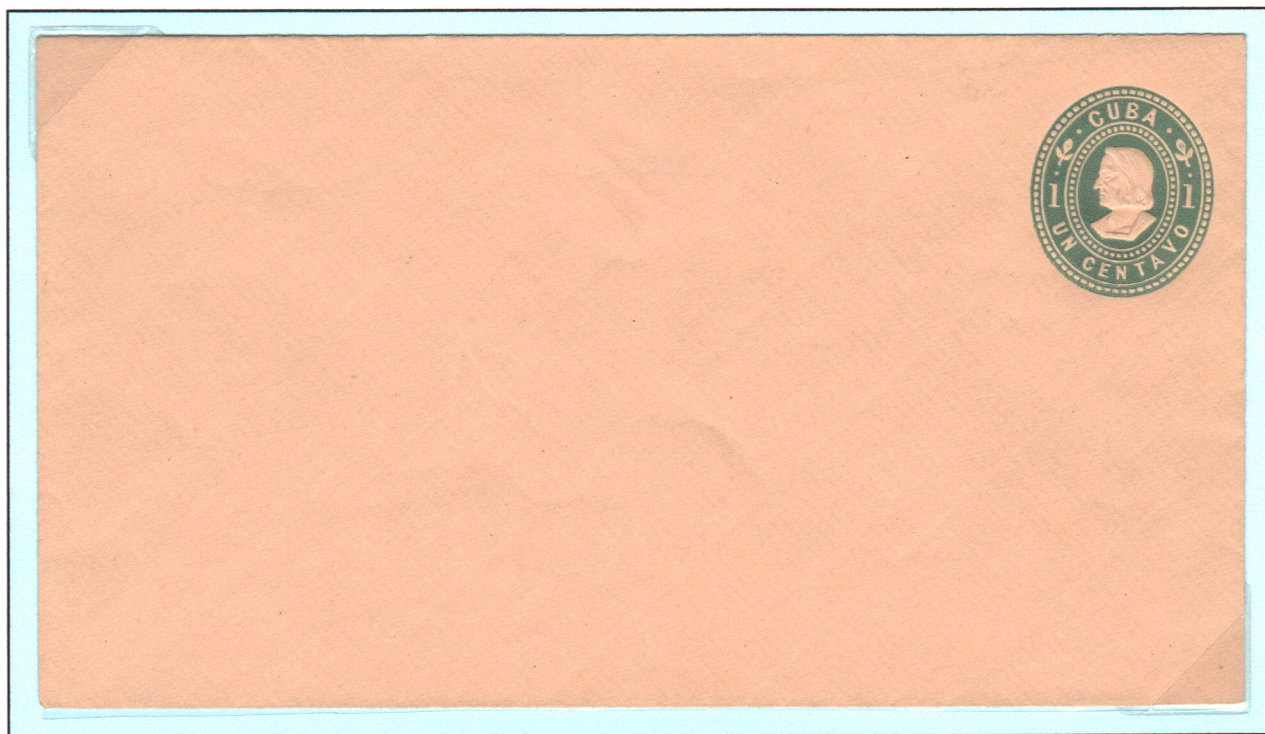


1 c. green on **amber**, size 10.



2 c. carmine on **amber**, size 10.

When the exhibitor first noticed this envelope it was suggested that it might be a US issue (a watermarked Columbus envelope) with a missing watermark, however, none of the watermarked Columbus envelopes issued under the previous U.S. Administration exist in this paper/size/knife combination, therefore, this could not be a missing watermark variety. It could only be a previously unknown Republic issue.



1 c. green on **buff**, size 10, without watermark.

***An unlisted variety.***

Since this variety was discovered, two additional buff paper varieties have surfaced. Those additional varieties are size 13 (the slightly larger letter sized envelope). They are shown on the next page.

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*Elias Miro Corner Card.*

Private corner card of Elias Miro (successor to the Miro y Otero Company). These envelopes are printed on buff colored paper, an unlisted variety for this issue. Furthermore, these are size 13, unlike the previous unlisted sample which was a size 10 buff envelope.



1 c. green on buff, size 13.

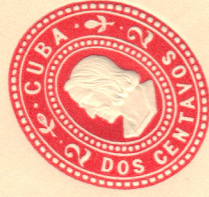


2 c. carmine on buff, size 13.

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2 c. carmine on **white**,  
size 23 (241 x 105 mm).

*Paper color, size varieties  
on issued envelopes.*



An elusive amber envelope was also issued as part of this set.

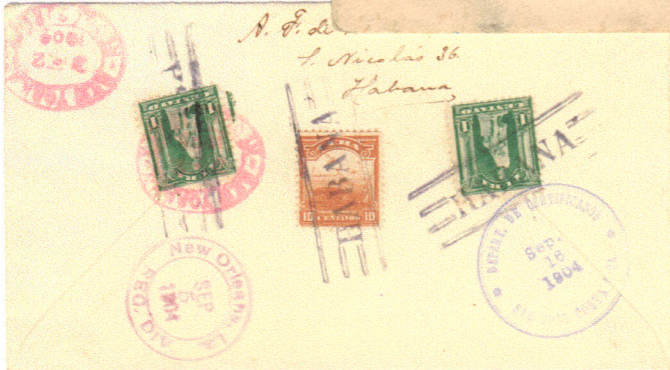
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Usage of the 1 c. Envelope.

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1 c. green on white, size 10. Registered use from Havana to San Jose, Costa Rica, August 29, 1904. On front: Red registry label of New Orleans, LA, also, purple oval "A. R." (Avis de Reception). Note the fancy striped Havana cancel used on the stamps

Letter (1/2 oz)	5¢
Registry fee	8¢
Total franking	13¢



Reduced scan of reverse showing transit marks: New York, Sept. 2; New Orleans, Sept. 5 and receiving mark Costa Rica on the 16<sup>th</sup>.

New Orleans registry label is one of only 29 recorded covers (according to "The Kugel Census") and the only one originating in Cuba.



1 c. green on white, size 10. Havana to Anvers (Antwerp) Belgium, March 31, 1908. Additional franking: Two 1 c. Columbus and one 2 c. Palms stamps, make up the 5 c. international letter rate.

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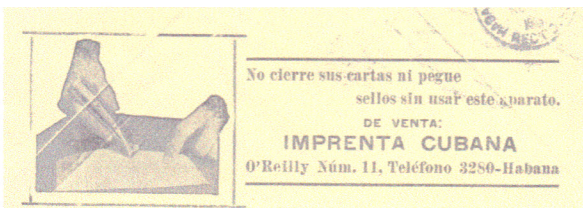
Usage of the 1 c. Envelope.



1 c. green on **white**, size 10. **Commercial use** from Gibara to West Lebanon, NH, March 27, 1905. Additional franking: One 1 c. Columbus stamp of 1899, paying the letter rate (2 c.) to the US.



1 c. green on **white**, size 13. Used within Havana, November 8, 1909.



- Scan of Product Advertisement, on back.



1 c. green on **amber**, size 10. Havana to Christiansund, Norway.  
Appears to be short-paid, as the only additional franking is a 1 c. stamp.



1 c. green on **amber**, size 10. Havana to Denmark, July 2, 1904.  
Pays the "Printed Matter" rate.

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Registered Mail Usage of the 2 c. Envelope.



2 c. carmine on white, size 10. Registered foreign use Camagüey to Ancon, Panama, August 19, 1908. Red registry label of New York, NY. Additional franking is a 10 c. stamp of 1899.

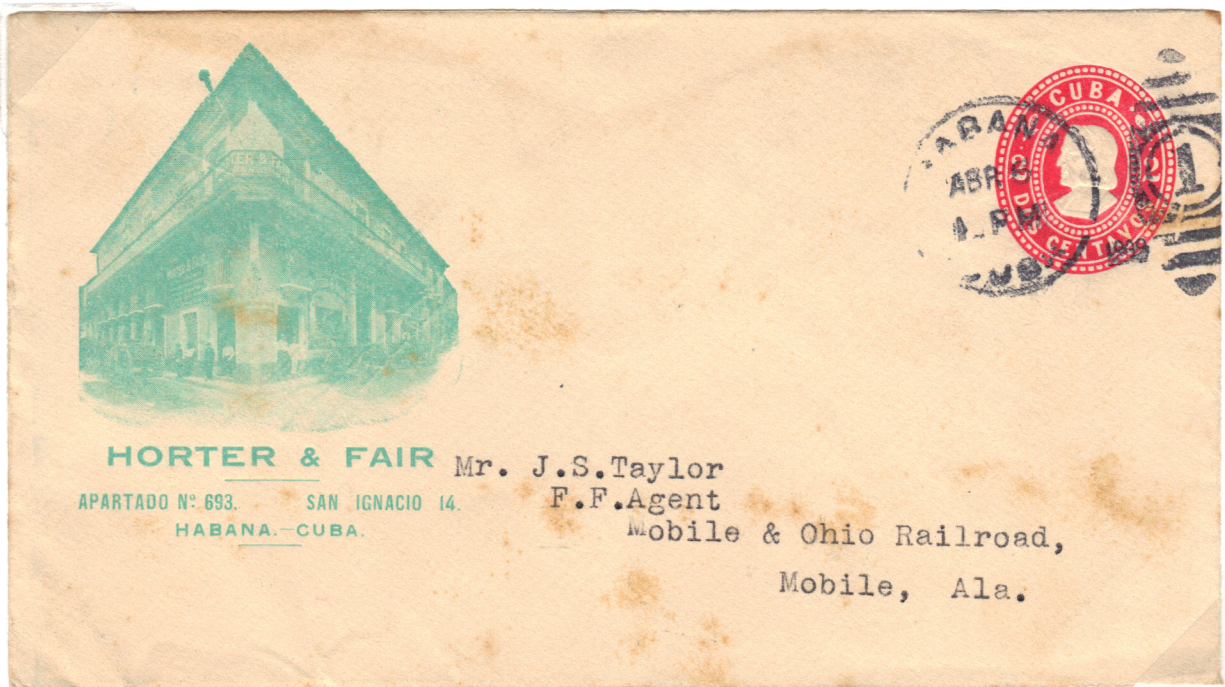
Letter (1 oz)	2¢
Ad'nl (1 oz)	2¢
Registry fee	8¢
Total franking	12¢



2 c. carmine on white, size 10. Registered domestic use from Calvario to Havana, July 9, 1906.

Letter (1 oz)	2¢
Registry fee	8¢
Total franking	10¢





2 c. carmine on **white**, size 10. **Commercial use** Havana to Mobile, AL, April 6, 1909.  
Horter & Fair were farm equipment merchants.

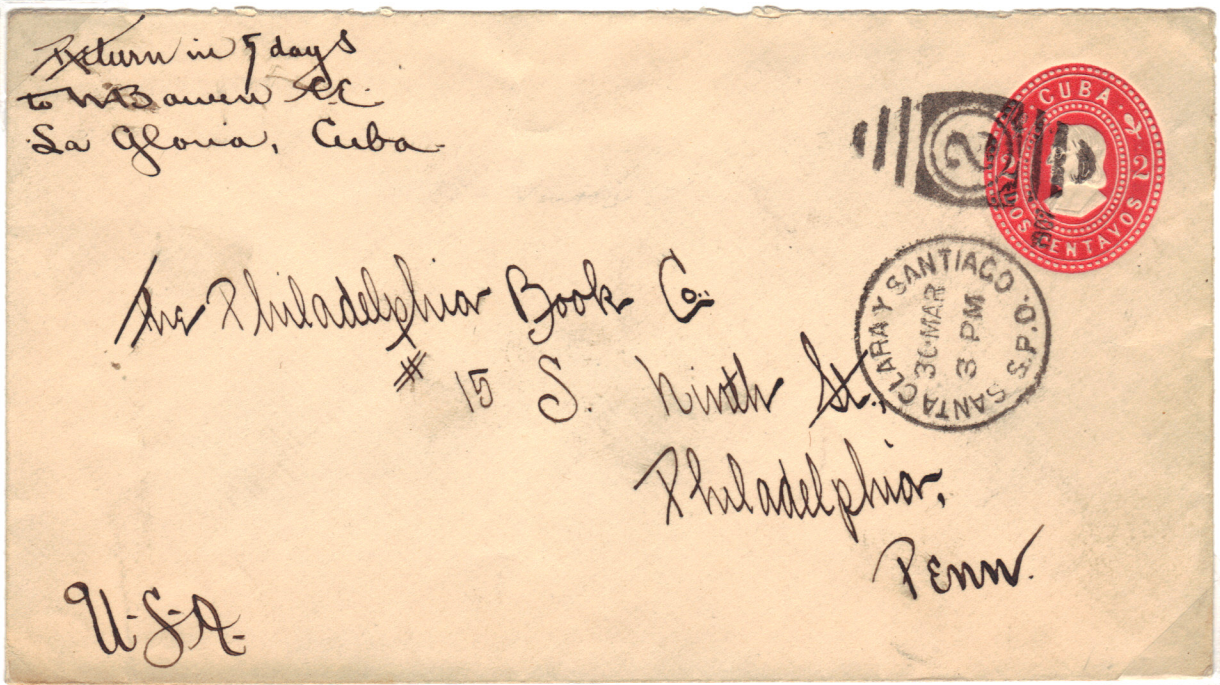


2 c. carmine on **white**, size 10. Sancti Spiritus to Berlin, Germany, September 27, 1906.  
Additional 1 c. and 2 c. stamps made up the rate to Europe.

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Usage of the 2 c. Envelope.



2 c. carmine on **white**, size 10. La Gloria to Philadelphia, PA, March 30, 1907.  
Traveling post office cancel: **Santa Clara y Santiago, SPC** (Servicio Postal Cubano).  
These cancels temporarily replaced the US Administration era **RPO** cancels, before being in turn replaced by the **Ambulante** cancels.



2 c. carmine on **white**, size 13. **Registered use** from Campechuela, Oriente to Washington, DC, January 6, 1910. The four additional 2 c. stamps paid the 8 c. Registry fee.

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Usage of the 2 c. Envelope.



2 c. carmine on **white**, size 13. **Registered foreign use** from Guanajay, Pinar del Rio to Nicaragua, June 8, 1910. Red registry label of New York, NY. Additional franking: one 10 c. stamp and (on back) four 1 c. stamps.

Letter (1 oz)	5¢
Add'l (1 oz)	3¢
Registry fee	8¢
Total franking	16¢



2 c. carmine on **white**, size 13. **Registered foreign use** from Manzanillo, Oriente to Brooklyn, NY, Nov. 7, 1910. An unusual use of the 10 c. Maya stamp of 1910 on an envelope from this series.

Letter (1 oz)	2¢
Add'l (1 oz)	2¢
Registry fee	8¢
Total franking	12¢

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Usage of the 2 c. Envelope.

2 c. carmine on **amber**, size 10. Marianao (Camp Columbia) to Imlay City, MI, January 29, 1908.

The 2nd U.S. Occupation began on September 29, 1906 and lasted until January 28, 1909. This time the U.S. forces did not set up their own military post offices, relying instead on the existing civilian postal system. Mail from Camp Columbia was handled by the Marianao post office.



2 c. carmine on **amber**, size 10. **Registered use** Havana to Germany, Dec. 19, 1904. Oval **A.R.** marking requesting proof of delivery. Additional franking: 1 c. & 10 c. stamps paid the 5 c. letter rate to Europe and the 8 c. registry fee.

2 c. carmine on **amber**, size 10. Havana to Utica, NY, August 18, 1908. Commercial use by the firm of **Horter & Fair**, featuring an early **Studebaker** wagon.



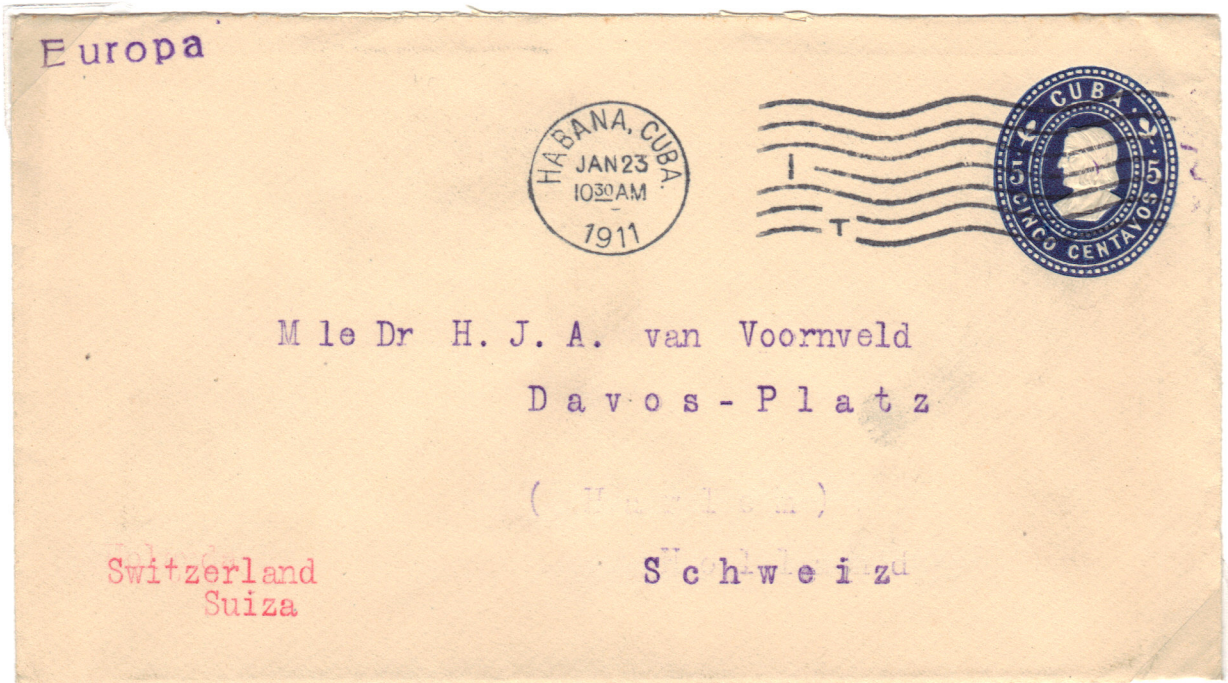
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Usage of the 5 c. Envelope.



5 c. blue on white, size 10. Havana to Caracas, Venezuela, November 15, 1907.



5 c. blue on white, size 10. Havana to Switzerland, January 23, 1911.  
The "Europa" was a ship of the Hamburg-America Line.

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Usage of the 5 c. Envelope.



5 c. blue on white, size 10. Registered use from Ocean Beach, Pinar del Rio to Rochester, NY, August ?, 1909. Franked with an additional 5 c. Ship stamp of 1899. On back, transit marks: Havana, Aug. 17 and New York, Aug. 24. Receiving mark: Rochester, Aug. 25, 1909.

Letter (1 oz)	2¢
Registry fee	8¢
Total franking	10¢

Use of a 2 c. cut-out.

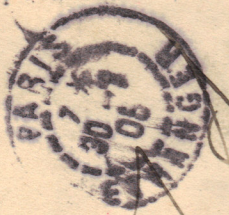


Private postcard franked with a cut-out from a 2 c. envelope. Madrugá to East Northfield, MA, July 24, 1903.

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Usage of 2 c., white  
legal size Envelopes.

2 c. carmine on white,  
Havana to Berne,  
Switzerland, July 17,  
1906. Transit mark  
Paris, France.



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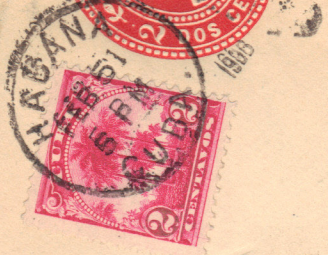
THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY  
OF THE UNITED STATES.

LA EQUITATIVA DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS,  
SOCIEDAD DE SEGUROS SOBRE LA VIDA.  
V. M. JULBE, Representante,  
Apartado, 547.—Teléfono, 785.

DEVUELVASE AL EMITENTE SI NO SE ENTREGA A LOS 10 DÍAS.



*Feb 5 1906*



Inconnu  
Desconocido

Sor. Andrés Martínez,  
Matanzas.

CANONCELADO.

2 c. carmine on white,  
double weight rate -  
Havana to Matanzas,  
February 5, 1906.  
Auxiliary markings:  
Pointing hand and  
Inconnu / Desconocido  
(addressee unknown) in  
French & Spanish.



1 c. green on **manila**. Only one value, 1 c. green on manila was printed for the Republic on unwatermarked paper. Size 140 x 265 mm.

The wrapper is addressed to a cadet on the Argentine Frigate "Presidente Sarmiento" at port in Dakar. It bears the seal of the Argentine Consulate in Havana, and is canceled with the "HAVANA" (English spelling) handstamp still in use during the early Republic era.

During the 4<sup>th</sup> voyage of the schoolship "Sarmiento", there were stops at the ports of Havana, June 12-21, 1903 and Dakar, Sept. 29-Oct. 2, 1903. Carlos Siegrist is listed as a cadet aboard the vessel. (Information from the website [H1starmar.net](http://H1starmar.net))



1 c. wrapper - Used Havana to Dakar, Senegal. A most **unusual African destination**. Though not dated, we know it was used in the second half of 1903.