

The issue features busts of heroes of Cuba's wars for independence: Enrique Villuendas on the 1 c.; Serafin Sánchez on the 2 c.; and Joaquín de Agüero on the 5 c. (size 175 x 100 mm.).

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These essays were prepared by a competing printer, but were rejected in favor of the designs proposed by Waterlow & Sons, Ltd., London, England.

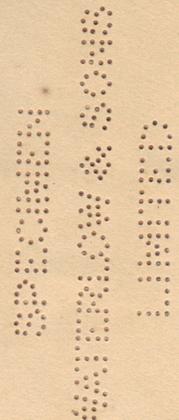


One of two (2) sets known, and the only one in private hands!

The other set was in the A. Eugene Mitchel collection, now part of the Smithsonian holdings.

The three line Specimen legend is made up of perforations that go through the envelopes.
Note that the denomination of the 2 c. had not been firmed up at this time.





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February 1, 1910
Patriot Envelopes

2 c. legal size,
241 x 105 mm.

Issued Size
Varieties.



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5 c. legal size,
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Domestic use - Camagüey to Havana, August 9, 1912.
Additional 1 c. Masó stamp of 1911.



Registered use - Matanzas to Wien (Vienna), Austria, July 25, 1914.
Bears a german "Foreign mail via rails" registry label.
Additional franking: six 2 c. Gomez stamps.

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



Thick Paper Variety - Registered use Camagüey to Bale, Switzerland, October 23, 1911. The thick paper was used in the original 1910 printing. It has an embossed Waterlow & Sons Ltd., under the back flap.

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



Thin Paper Variety - Havana to Barcelona, Spain, December 15, 1913. The less expensive thin paper was used for the 1911 and 1912 reprints.



"Bluish White" Paper Variety - Havana to Leipzig, Germany.
A mistaken translation of the German catalog description had collectors searching for a non-existent blue envelope.



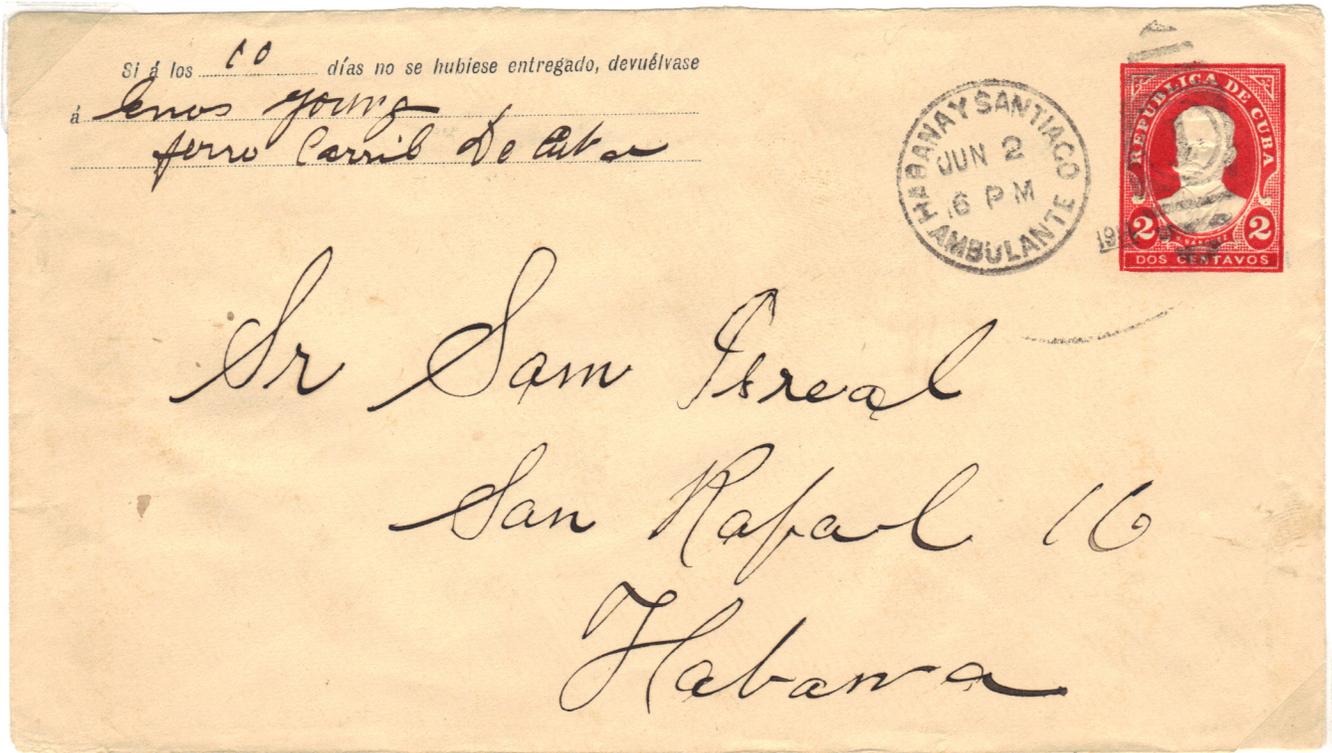
"Bluish White" Paper Variety - Gibara, Oriente to Chicago, IL, August 10, 1911.
Additional 1 c., 2 c., and 5 c. stamps, paid the 8 c. **Registry Fee**.

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

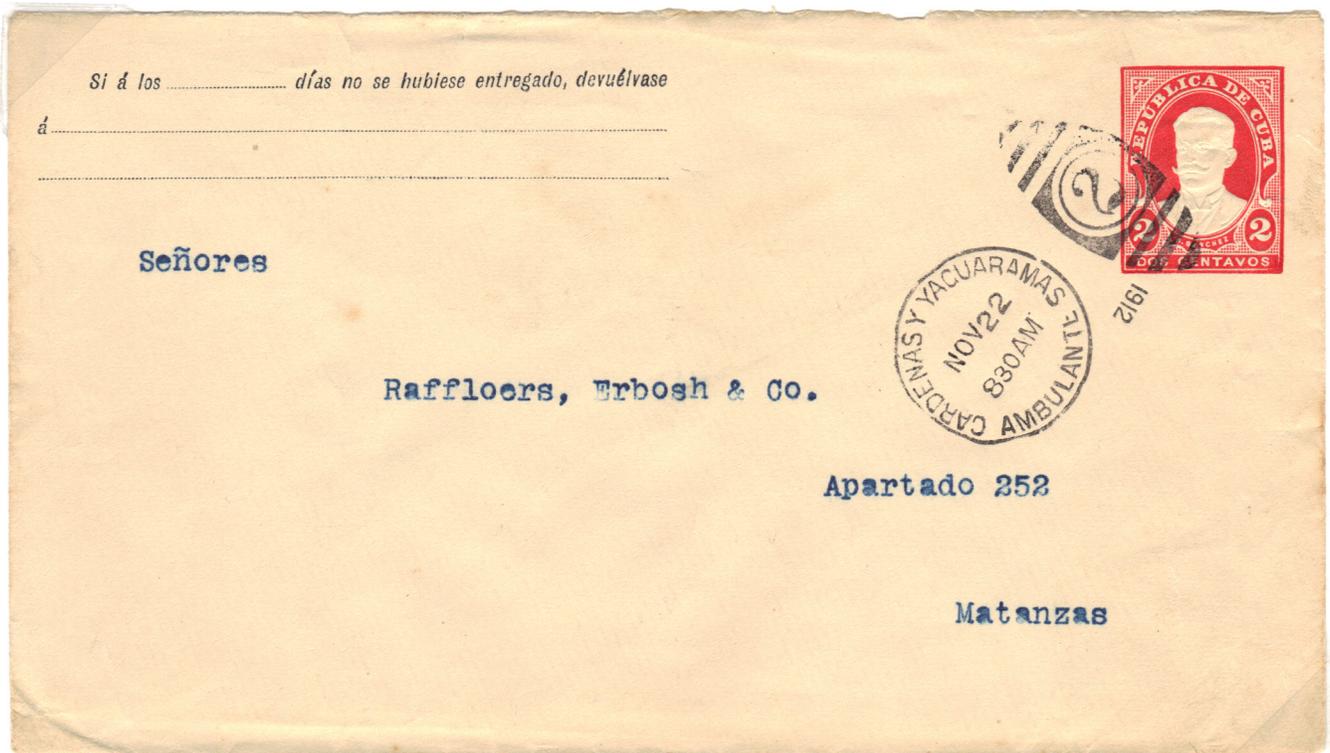
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"Ambulante" (Traveling Post Office)
Usage of the 2 c. Envelope.

With the completion of the Havana - Santiago route, the rail system assumed a major role in Cuba's mail transportation. "Ambulante" (R.P.O.) Cancels exist for most major routes of the time.



Habana y Santiago, Ambulante - Havana, June 2, 1914.



Cardenas y Yaguaramas, Ambulante - Matanzas, November 22, 1912.



2 c. Cut-out - Sagua La Grande to Remedios, August 10, 1915.



Registered use - Havana to Reading, PA, July 21, 1914.
Registry fee paid by a 10 c. "Mapita" stamp. Canceled by a large
straight-line "HABANA", normally used to cancel periodicals.

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

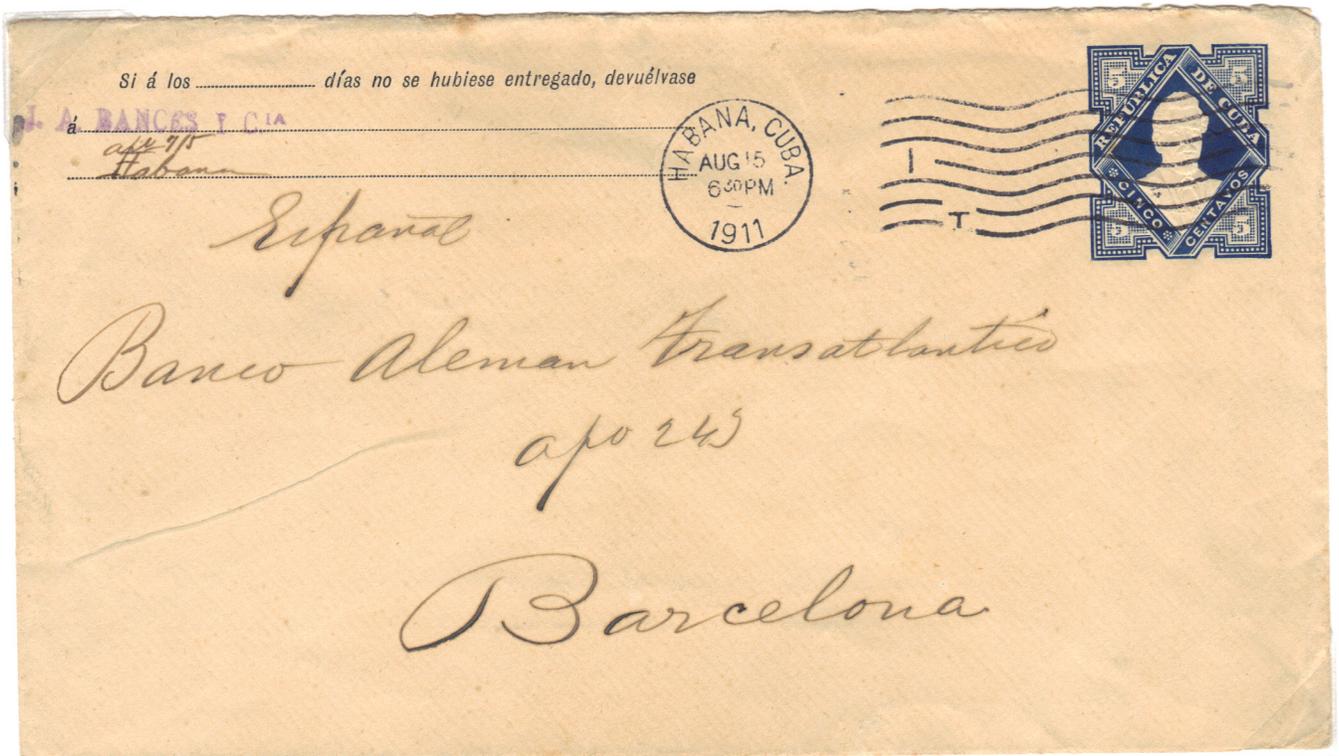
Censor tape -

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World War I Censored Mail - Havana to Lucerne, Switzerland, February 14, 1916.
Oval censor marking "OUVERT" (opened) on front. The envelope was roughly opened at top and resealed with tape reading "Controle Postal Militaire".



Havana to Barcelona, Spain, August 15, 1911.



Unusual High Franking - Havana to Hamburg, Germany, May 18, 1911. Additional franking: a 50 c. **Maceo** stamp of 1910 . On cover examples of this stamp are scarce and normally found on parcel receipts.

A philatelic use!
Nevertheless, an exceptional use of the 50¢ stamp.



Commercial Use - Havana to Madrid, Spain, July 8, 1911.

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Usage of the Legal-Size Envelopes.

2 c. Registered,
Victoria de las
Tunas, Oriente
to Chicago, IL,
March 24, 1914.

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



Si á los 10 días no se hubiese entregado, devuélvase
á E. H. Jenkins
Victoria de las Tunas
Oriente Cuba

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REGISTERED
MAP
NO 33421

Si á los 5 días no se hubiese entregado, devuélvase
á Graham's Hardware B
Habana Baja 10. Cuba

M. J. Chapman.
Doctor Central Pharmacy
Fahmarito de Curto

HABANA
FEB 20
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2c. Habana y
Santiago -
Ambulante,
(Railroad)
January
20, 1913.

February 1, 1910
Patriot Envelopes

Usage of the Legal-Size Envelopes.

2c. Registered -
Puerto Padre, Oriente to St.
Louis, MO, October 28,
1915.

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



The C. E. Hussman Stamp Co.

Si á los _____ días no se hubiese entregado, devuélvase
á J. G. Lima
Puerto Padre (Oriente) Cuba

11321
The C. E. Hussman Stamp Co.
Si á los _____ días no se hubiese entregado, devuélvase
á Sparks 210
Mabrey (Cuba)

James Carl Ziegler
Klosterstr. 52
Elberfeld
Allemagne

5 c., Used Matanzas
to Elberfeld, Germany,
posted January 19, 1923.

The issue consists of two values. Just as in the envelopes of this series, the stamps feature portraits of Enrique Villuendas on the 1 c., and Serafin Sánchez on the 2 c. Printed on light brown paper.



Scan of **Plow**,
on back.

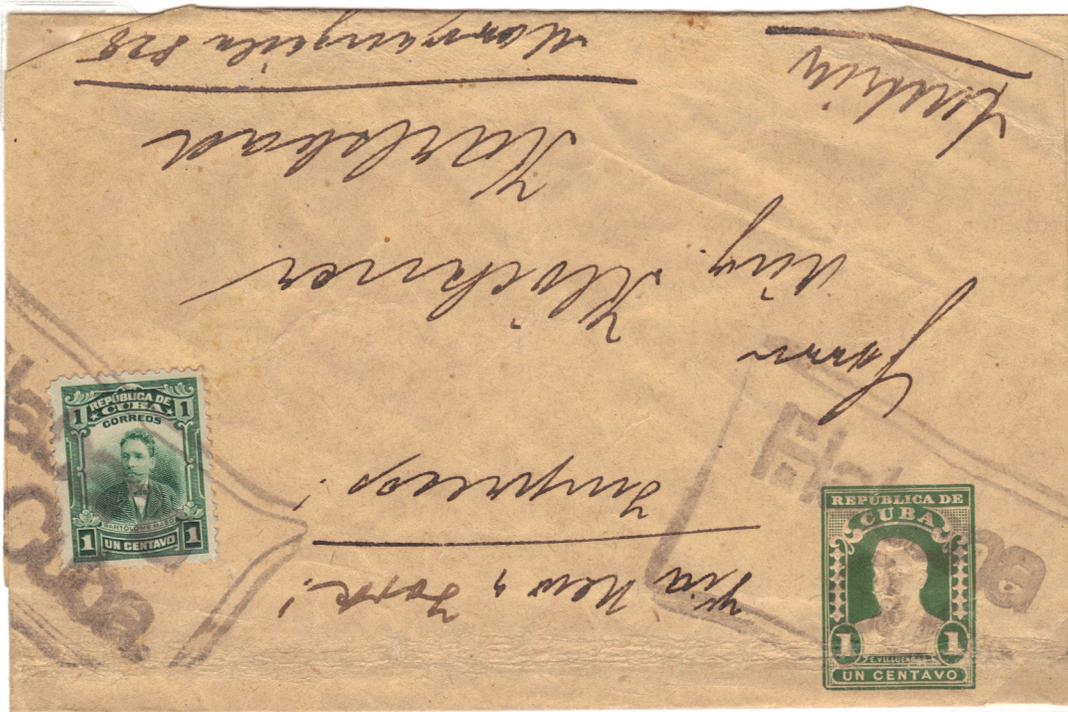


1 c. wrapper, **Illustrated Commercial Use** - Havana to Palmarito de Cauto.
Return address is P.O. Box 693, which belonged to the **Horter & Fair** firm.
The illustration, on back, is a plow (the firm's logo).

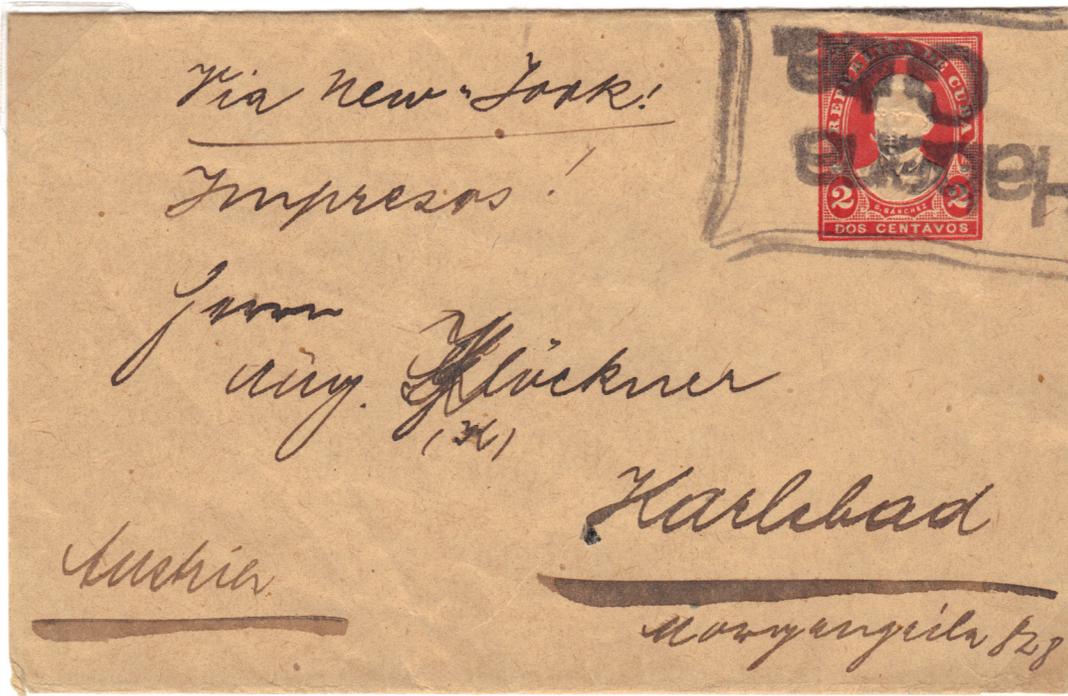
Only illustrated wrapper known!



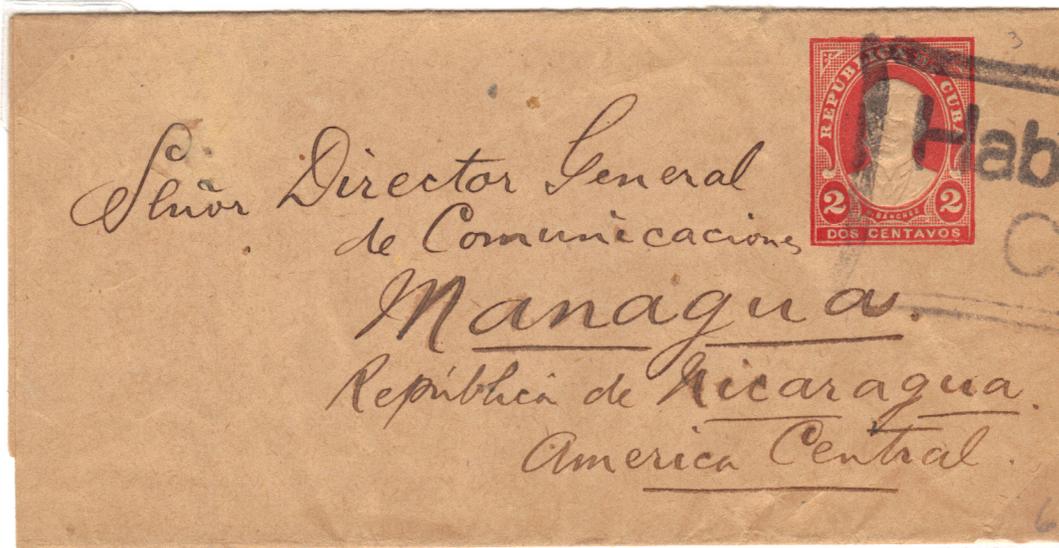
1 c. wrapper, Havana to Troy, OH.
Bears a clear strike of the boxed "**Habana/Cuba**" cancel.



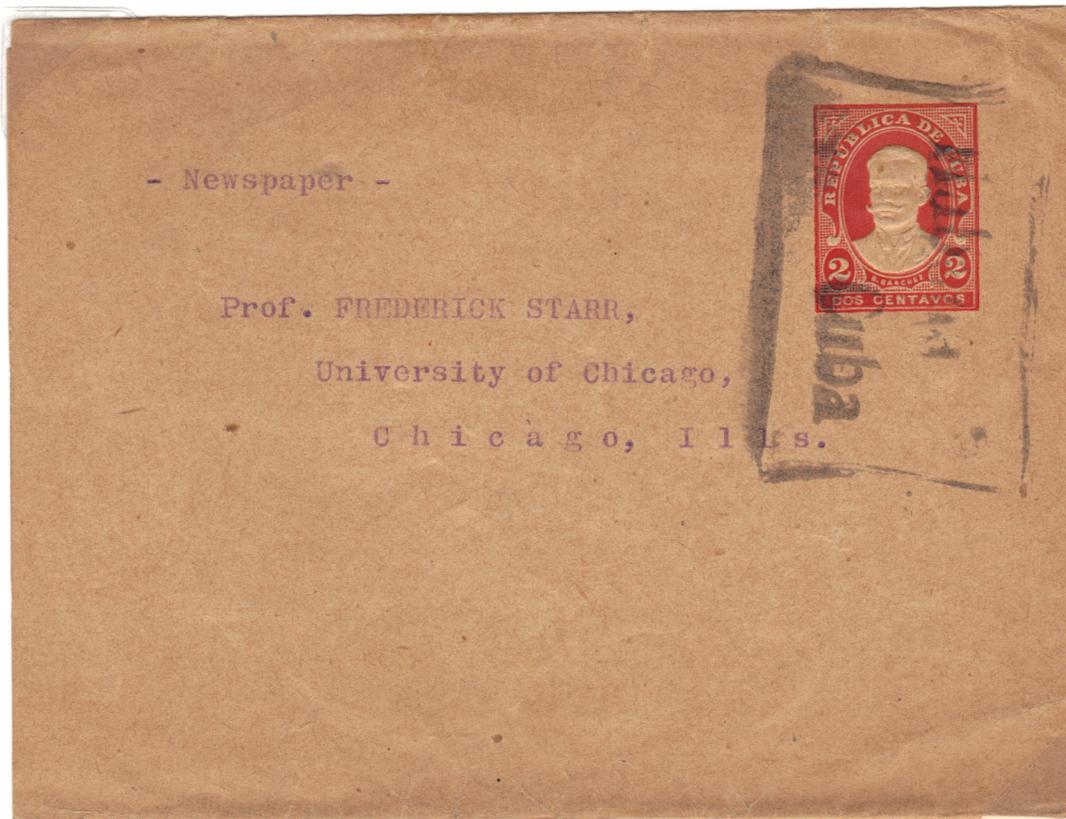
1 c. wrapper - Havana to Karlsbad, Austria, w/additional 1 c. Masó stamp of 1913.
"Habana/Cuba" cancel, now in a slightly different double-lined box.



2 c. wrapper - Havana to Karlsbad, Austria.



Havana to Managua, Nicaragua.
On back: Rubber stamped return address of Frank Rose.



Havana to Chicago, IL.