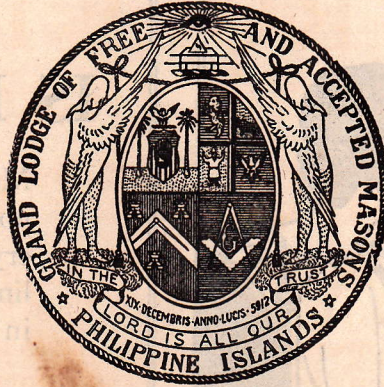


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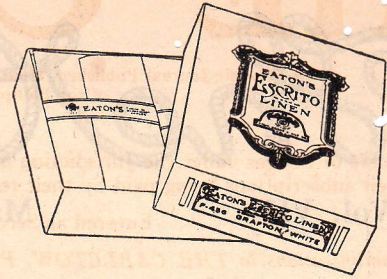
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Editorial Section

The Fear of Death

As a young man, he was absolutely unafraid of death. I remember well how, during a skirmish with the Insurgents, we being members of the same company in the strenuous days of 1899 and 1900, he insisted upon shooting sitting on the rice dike behind which we and others were lying, firing at the enemy's trenches, because he "could never shoot worth a darn lying down." Then he settled down, married, and in due time became father of a family. One day, while we were traveling together, we had an accident that might have ended in death for both of us. I was nervous but tried to laugh it off, nobody having been hurt seriously. But my friend was pale and shaken. "Yes, I am afraid of death now," he said. "If I had been killed, what would have become of my wife and kiddies?"

I met him again a few years ago, and as luck would have it, we again passed unscathed through some danger. That time he remained perfectly calm. "You remember that accident up in the mountains five years ago?" he asked. "It must puzzle you that I was so frightened that time and that this thing here has left me calm. Well, I don't worry so much about wife and children going hungry. That accident was a lesson to me and I had my life insured without delay. Now I know that my family will not be dependent on the charity of the Lodge or of the Brethren if I should pass out. That consciousness has taken the fear out of my life and has given me a peace of mind that I never knew before."

If we could only make more Masons see things that way! But all too frequently, the news of the death of a Brother is coupled with the information that he left a widow and orphans in straitened circumstances. This should not be, and it is the duty of every member of the Fraternity to do his share towards bringing about a condition of affairs different from that which obtains at present. Do not consent to the admission in your Lodge of a man who has not made proper provision for those dependent upon him. See to it that members of your Lodge coming under that category do the right thing by their families. And if you are yourself remiss in your duty in that respect, make up for your past neglect and carelessness if you can!—L. F.

A Radiogram from Little America

On the title-page of this issue, our readers will find the reproduction of a radiogram signed by the Master Masons in the Antarctic Expedition commanded by our Brother Rear-Admiral Richard E. Byrd. This radiogram contains greetings to Service Lodge No. 95, F. & A. M., of Manila, of which Bro. Benjamin Roth, one of the signers, is a member. The Byrd expedition sailed for the Antarctic in 1928 in four ships which carried 82 scientists, engineers, aviators,

radio experts, etc., in addition to the crews. Four planes—a big Ford tri-motored plane for the polar dash, and three smaller ones for scout work—snow motors and caterpillar tractors, as well as 79 dogs, were taken along. The expedition's main studies include the origin of Antarctic storms, the nature of the polar ice cap, the relationship between the Andes Mountains and the ranges of the Polar continent, unity or division by straits of the Antarctic and mass, and the problem of how the negative electric charge of the earth is replenished. Admiral Byrd has flown over the South Pole by airplane, after being the first to accomplish the same feat over the North Pole.

The Master Masons signing the radiogram are evidently not all the members of the Craft who are with the expedition, because, as reported by us a year ago, a survey of the personnel of the expedition showed eighty per cent to be Masons.

Service Lodge No. 95, the Secretary of which, Wor. Bro. William Beishir, has kindly placed this radiogram at our disposal, may well be proud of having a representative in the intrepid party of men now in Little America.—L. F.

What Will the Harvest Be?

We read a funny story once which went something like this: A young man by the name of Corn and a girl by the name of Wheat were being married. As they were walking down the aisle, the choir started singing "What will the harvest be?" when a wag in the congregation called out "Nubbins."

This story came to our mind while we attended a public installation of officers last December and the music played the wedding march from "Lohengrin" as each of the new officers was being conducted to the altar and thence to his station. Somehow, at many of our public installations of officers, the orchestra cannot think of any other music than the famous wedding march and plays it, or part of it, over and over again. But, after getting through laughing, and then frowning, over the selection of music which spoiled the solemnity of the occasion for me and, perhaps, others, I again drifted back to the thought of "What will the harvest be?"

Indeed, what will it be? Will the new officers prepare the field properly, plant good seed, and tend to it faithfully, so that there may be a good harvest at the end of the year? Or will they let the field of Masonic endeavor lie waste or sow the seeds of discord? The harvest at the end of the year will show how they have labored and whether they betrayed their trust or lived up to their obligation and oath of office. Vows are easily and quickly taken, but to keep them often requires self-denial, and courage. Let our newly installed officers remember theirs and the Craft will be the better for it at the end of the year!—L. F.

Masonic Tribune Changes Style

Since January 11th, our esteemed contemporary, the *Masonic Tribune* of Seattle, Washington (John H. Reid, Publisher; Alfred R. Shave, Editor; Joseph M. Taylor, Editorial Writer), is appearing as a full-sized, six-page, eight-column newspaper instead of a tabloid edition. The *Tribune* is issued every Saturday and costs \$3.00 outside of the United States. It is an excellent paper, with interesting editorials and other articles, and is always a welcome guest at our desk.

Fortunate To Be Masons

Like the Initiates of old, we should consider ourselves fortunate to be Masons. With Aristophanes, we should rejoice because "It is upon us alone shineth the beneficent day-star. We alone receive pleasure from the influence of his rays; we, who are initiated, and who practise toward citizen and stranger every possible act of justice and piety." The last condition is essential. An initiate who has not attained to that state of perfection cannot speak with Aristophanes. To enjoy the blessings of Freemasonry, we must perform the duties laid upon us by our obligations. It is easy to pass through the ceremonies of the degrees of Masonry and assume the Masonic vows; but to keep these vows in both letter and spirit is not so easy. If we do not do the work of a Master Mason, how can we expect to receive a Master Mason's wages?—L. F.



M. W. BRO. SELDON W. O'BRIEN
Past Grand Master

Masonic Education

The Annual Message delivered at the recent Communication of our Grand Lodge by Most Wor. Bro. Seldon W. O'Brien will be printed in full in the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge; but for the benefit of our readers we shall reproduce some of the most striking chapters and have chosen for this issue what M. W. Bro. O'Brien has to say and recommend on the subject of Masonic education. We are heartily in accord with his remarks, and the Grand Lodge put the stamp of its approval upon them by adopting the recommendations made on the subject. If the constructive program outlined in the Message is carried through in the proper manner, the Craft will reap incalculable benefits from it. As a Masonic writer quoted by M. W. Bro. O'Brien says very correctly, it is from a lack of instruction, rather than of a desire to learn the meaning of Masonry, that the Craft suffers today. But we shall let our immediate Past Grand Master speak and close this article:

To my way of thinking, one of the greatest problems that confronts Masonry in the Philippines today is the education of its membership in the history and philosophy of Freemasonry. The ideals and principles

of this great Institution, which we would implant in the hearts of our brethren and have them apply in their daily lives are expressed by symbolism. If we hope ever to weave and build into the character of our members the steadying and balancing influence of those purifying principles and tenets, and thereby ennoble and beautify their lives, they must know and comprehend the true meaning of those symbols. In the ceremonies of our initiation, we do not attempt to do more than to indicate the pathway to Masonic knowledge, to lay the foundation for the Masonic edifice. The initiate is left to pursue the journey or complete the structure for himself through contact with his brethren of the Lodge and by reading and reflection. The natural result of our initiatory ceremonies, if correctly and impressively conducted, with a proper understanding of their meaning, is that the new member is impressed with the seriousness and high purpose of the Order. He leaves the Lodge Room fired with enthusiasm and eager to forward its noble objects. He is inspired by a glimpse of the spirit and meaning of the words of the ritual. But, as the weeks and months pass by, he receives little or no encouragement in his pursuit of knowledge; his enthusiasm becomes dulled; his keen interest wanes, and he finally drops into the easy rut of inactivity and fraternal inertia. It is from this lethargic attitude that so many of the members of our Lodges need to be aroused. There is need for re-inspiration, a rekindling of enthusiasm, a reconsecration to the principles of Masonry, on the part of many hundreds of our membership. Among them, there must be a revival of the true Masonic spirit. I believe that the surest way, although slow and tedious, to accomplish this is through a definite and concrete program of education in the fundamentals of Freemasonry.

Considerable thought has been given to this subject in the hope that I might be able to offer you some practical suggestions. It would seem that the only feasible way for the members of the Craft to obtain the knowledge which they ought to have of what Masonry is, its history, its philosophy, and its symbolism, is through their own well-directed individual efforts. They must be caused to educate themselves in the possibilities of the Order, inspired by the knowledge of what others are doing, what can be done, and what must be done to fulfill what we believe to be the noble purposes of the Fraternity. In order to bring this about, there must be created a self-consciousness on the part of the leading members of the Order that education is essentially necessary to the welfare of Freemasonry, and, along with that, some practical method must be developed to bring to the membership the knowledge which they should have. This I conceive to be a proper function of the Grand Lodge. The officers of the subordinate Lodges must be not only good ritualists, but wide readers and keen students of the inner meaning of the ceremonies which they perform, so that they may set the Craft at work under good and wholesome instruction, and create in them a renewed interest for further light in Masonry. If they are to possess these qualifications, the most important requisite is that they be provided with the best Masonic literature in order to enable them to take the knowledge which has come from highly authenticated sources and remake it into a form which the average member of the Lodge can understand and which will give him some enthusiasm for the organization of which he is a part. With these ideas in mind, I would propose merely as a basis of our future Masonic educational program the following

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the present Special Committee on Masonic Study and Research be abolished, and that there be created in its stead a permanent Committee on Masonic Education to assist and cooperate with the officers of the subordinate Lodges in devising and adopting some practical plan for the education and enlightenment of our Masonic brethren along the lines herein suggested.
2. That this Committee make every effort to encourage and stimulate Masonic research and study on the part of the officers and members of the subordinate Lodges, and for that purpose, to prepare and furnish to them suitable courses of study on Masonic subjects, with information as to where the literature on the various topics mentioned therein may be found in order to facilitate their studies.
3. That a general Masonic library be established in Manila and maintained by the Grand Lodge with a suitable and convenient reading room under the supervision of the new Committee on Masonic Education, with an ample appropriation for that purpose and that an effort be made to obtain the cooperation and support of our constituent Lodges and the York Rite and Scottish Rite Bodies of Manila at least to the extent of the use of their present libraries in this worthy object.
4. That in relation to the general library and under the supervision of the same Committee, there be established what is known as "Travelling Libraries" for the use and benefit of our provincial brethren, who will not be able to avail themselves of the books in the general library.
5. That the subordinate Lodges be urged to purchase and place in the hands of each of its candidates a copy of the presentation edition of M. W. Brother Oliver Day Street's "Symbolism of the Three Degrees". The set consists of three volumes—one for each degree—and the volume pertaining to each degree should be presented to the candidate when he is learning the lecture of that degree.
6. That for the purpose of creating greater interest in this educational program, a Prize Essay Contest be held each year under the supervision of the Past Grand Masters of this jurisdiction similar to that of the Scottish Rite Bodies in 1925, with suitable prizes to be awarded to the winners of first and second places in the contest.

Official Section

Monthly Announcement of Organizations Barred to Masons

It is unlawful for Masons under the jurisdiction of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the Philippine Islands to hold membership in or join any of the following associations and clandestine bodies:

- The "Gran Logia Soberana del Archipiélago Filipino" and the "Gran Logia Nacional de Filipinas."
- The "Supremo Consejo del Gr. 33 para Filipinas" and the so-called Scottish Rite Bodies under its auspices.
- The organizations calling themselves "Gran Masonería Filipina," "Gran Oriente Filipino," "Mártires de Filipinas," and "Gran Luz Masonería Filipina."

VICENTE CARMONA, *Grand Master.*

Grand Lodge Committee for Visiting the Sick

Most Wor. Grand Master Vicente Carmona has appointed Wor. Bros. George A. Mayhew (8), Ramon Samaniego (13), and Santiago Gatchalian (14) to act as Grand Lodge Committee for Visiting the Sick during the month of March, 1930.

Brethren Seeking Employment

145.—A. B. graduate of Silliman Institute, with 10 years experience in the Bureau of Education (elementary school principal), at present engaged in business (agent for school books and supplies and sporting goods in the provinces), desires employment with private firm in Manila in order to attend to the education of his children. Is 37 years of age, married, and father of four children.

146.—Employment with commercial firm or transportation company desired by high school graduate (1918) who has passed 1st grade Civil Service examination (1924), has been teacher and municipal treasurer (exceptionally good record), has good working knowledge of accounting and bookkeeping, operates typewriter, and speaks English, Spanish, Ilocano, Ibanag, and Tagalog.

Any Brother having employment for these Masons or knowing of any, is requested to kindly communicate with the Managing Editor of THE CABLETOW, P. O. Box 990, or see the Assistant Grand Secretary, Wor. Bro. Ramon Mendoza, Room 524, Masonic Temple.

Addresses Wanted


Wor. Bro. Theo. L. Hall, Secretary, Southern Cross Lodge No. 6, would thank any Brother knowing the address of Bros. C. J. Wheeler and J. Miclo to communicate the same to him.

Bro. Carlos Quimpo, Capiz, Capiz, P. I., Secretary of Makawiwili Lodge No. 55, would like to have the address of Bro. Lim Ising, a member of his Lodge, at present residing in Manila whose exact address is unknown to him.

Stated Meetings of Manila Lodges

- March 1 (First Saturday).—Nilad No. 12, Plaridel Temple; Taga-Ilog No. 79, Masonic Temple; Araw No. 18, 527 Alvarado.
- March 3 (First Monday).—Luz Oceánica No. 85, Masonic Temple; Service No. 95, Plaridel Temple.
- March 4 (First Tuesday).—Manila No. 1, Masonic Temple; Kasilawan No. 77, Masonic Temple.
- March 5 (First Wednesday).—Cosmos No. 8, Masonic Temple; Rizal No. 22, Plaridel Temple.
- March 6 (First Thursday).—Isla de Luzon No. 57, Masonic Temple; Minerva No. 41, Plaridel Temple; Mt. Lebanon No. 80, 1132 California; Mencius No. 93, Masonic Temple.
- March 7 (First Friday).—St. John's No. 9, Masonic Temple; Hiram No. 88, Plaridel Temple.
- March 8 (Second Saturday).—Biak-na-Bato No. 7, Masonic Temple; Dalisay No. 14, Plaridel Temple; Walana No. 13, Masonic Temple.

- March 10 (Second Monday).—Southern Cross No. 6, Masonic Temple.
- March 11 (Second Tuesday).—Benjamin Franklin No. 94, Masonic Temple.
- March 12 (Second Wednesday).—Bagumbayan No. 4, Masonic Temple.
- March 13 (Second Thursday).—Corregidor No. 3, Masonic Temple; Batong-Buhay No. 27, 527 Alvarado.
- March 14 (Second Friday).—Dapitan No. 21, Plaridel Temple.
- March 15 (Third Saturday).—Hagdang Bato No. 87, 527 Alvarado, Manila; High Twelve No. 82, Masonic Temple.
- March 19 (Third Wednesday).—Sinukuan No. 16, Plaridel Temple.
- March 20 (Third Thursday).—Solidaridad No. 23, Masonic Temple.
- March 21 (Third Friday).—Modestia-Liwayway No. 81, Plaridel Temple.
- April 1 (First Tuesday).—Manila No. 1, Masonic Temple; Kasilawan No. 77, Masonic Temple.
- April 2 (First Wednesday).—Cosmos No. 8, Masonic Temple; Rizal No. 22, Plaridel Temple.
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Our Dead

Mourn not for us.
 Bid us not good night
 But in the brighter clime
 Bid us good morning.

—Anon.

- Brother Frank H. Herier
 Member of St. John's Lodge No. 9
 Died at Los Angeles, Cal., January 12, 1930.
- Rt. Wor. Bro. John Arville
 P. M., Lodge Perla del Oriente No. 1034, S. C.
 Died February 7, 1930.
 Buried under the auspices of his Lodge in the
 Del Norte Cemetery, Manila, February 9, 1930.
- Bro. Dioscoro Tirol
 Member of Makawiwili Lodge No. 55
 Died at Calivo, January 14, 1930.
 Buried with Masonic honors at Ibajay, Capiz,
 January 26, 1930.
- Brother Eduardo Wan
 Member of Solidaridad Lodge No. 23
 Died January 15, 1930.
- Brother Olimpio Gonzaga
 Member of Primera Luz Filipina Lodge No. 69
 Died January 27, 1930.
- Brother Ignacio Yango
 Member of Cabanatuan Lodge No. 53
 Died February 12, 1930.
 Buried at Cuyapo, with Masonic ceremonies,
 February 16, 1930.
- Brother Ng Seh Pee
 Member of Araw Lodge No. 18
 Died at Carigara, February 23, 1930.

Masonic Fiction

The Gavel

A Masonic Story by Leo Fischer, Manila, P. I.

The other day I picked up a volume of Kipling's poems and ran across the following lines which I had often read before and which, like so much that our great brother has written, struck kindred chords in my heart and set them vibrating:

"I know the mists of the jungle, and the
lure of the river's mouth,
I want to be back in the trade wind's track,
but I know the lure of the South;
I've felt the spell of the Islands, and the
curse of the tropic's rain;
I could rest in peace by the coral reefs, BUT
I hear the call again.
Oh, I long for a home in the prairies, but
I can't live away from the Sea;
The snowpeaks, the rand and the forests,
they all promise a haven to me;
So where shall I finally linger, and which
sun shall bleach my bones?
It takes the whole of Creation, to settle
us—ROLLING STONES."

When you have led the life of a wanderer in your youth as I have, and the call of the wide, open spaces is still strong in you though you have settled down and have passed the fifty mark, words like those I have quoted are like a bugle call to an old cavalry horse.

But alas! the call must die away unheeded as it has done so often before. All a man with gipsy instincts whom duty, family ties, and other bonds prevent from taking up a wanderer's life once more can do, is to live on the remembrance of days that have gone forever.

I shall, therefore, relate to you what happened to me and my companions on a journey across South America and thence to Europe, and what dangers and adventures an errand entrusted to me by a Brother Mason brought to me and my friend Tom O'Hara, a good catholic. Our companion Antonio Navarro, the Filipino, a Mason like me, did not share these dangers because he had returned to his native land, to take up arms for the cause of liberty, when our enemies struck the first blow.

I find it difficult to believe that thirty-three years have passed since we three set out from Buenos Aires on our adventurous journey. Occasionally, the smell of wood smoke, a snatch of song, the whinney of a horse, or the rattle of block and tackle remind me of trails and camp fires in the South American Andes, of the wild surges of the Pacific and Atlantic, and of the faithful companions of my travels in those stirring days in 1896 and 1897.

The two friends with whom I crossed the Andes have crossed the Great Divide long ago. Antonio Navarro fell in 1899, fighting under the flag of the Katipunans with Aguinaldo's forces, and Tom O'Hara went down with a ship that was torpedoed by a German submarine in the Atlantic in 1917.

What sent me off on that journey to South America? It was a silver two-mark piece which I tossed up in my old home in Saxony in September 1896. Had it fallen with the eagle up, I should have returned to the United States where I had spent two years and to which country I intended to go back sooner or later to complete my citizenship. As it was, the effigy of Emperor William I—a Mason, too—lay uppermost, and I knew that I was to go to Buenos Aires this trip instead of taking a steamer for New York. South America had always attracted me, and as my desire to return to the United States was equally strong, I had flipped the coin to make it decide for me.

I had the money I needed to make the journey, because I had just become of age and had received the few thousand marks that my father had left me.

My loving mother urged me to stay and settle in the land of my ancestors. Finding me obdurate she finally asked me not to take the steamer *Pfalz* which was to sail from Antwerp for Buenos Aires in a few days, but the next one on the same run, which was scheduled to sail four weeks later. I told her that I was tired of idling at home; that time was hanging heavy on my hands and I must leave.

I embarked on the North German Lloyd steamer *Pfalz* at Antwerp. Our next port of call was Southampton. After we had sailed from there and passed the "Needles" we ran into one of the worst storms that I have ever been in. The ship suffered considerable damage and I spent two miserable days and nights in my berth. When, at last, the storm abated and I came on deck to see the destruction, the ship was feeling its way slowly in a dense fog, with the whistle blowing at short intervals. Fortunately, a breeze sprang up and scattered the fog; then we saw a short distance from the steamer the rock-bound coast of Spain, towards which we had been carried slowly, but surely by a strong current. It was a narrow escape. When, two hours later, we steamed into the bay of Coruña, I felt as if I had been resurrected from the dead.

The ship, on coming to anchor, was immediately surrounded by a large number of boats. Grapes and pears were conveyed on board in straw baskets into which we had previously put the purchase price and which traveled back and forth on cords that had been thrown to us and fastened to the railing.

Then the boats with passengers began to arrive. We took about three hundred emigrants on board quite a few of whom were young men of military age. There was war in Cuba at that time and the Spanish conscripts were dying off by the thousands from yellow fever and other diseases on the island. No wonder that the Spanish lads whose turn to wear the queen's uniform was drawing near turned their faces towards the land of promise and opportunities for all, the Argentine Republic. The authorities were bribed to close their eyes, and the kingdom lost and the republic gained, many a sturdy young citizen. Many of our new passengers were blond, being of Gothic descent.

I was leaning over the rail when I noticed a young man come up the gangway who did not look like a Spaniard. He wore a Spanish *capa* draped picturesquely about his shoulders and a *boina* cocked jauntily over his right ear. His baggage seemed to consist of nothing but a big valise and a guitar. As he glanced upward, I looked into an intelligent brown face with eager, burning eyes. The young man glanced about him for a few moments, then, noticing the confusion on deck, he sat down on his valise, lit a cigarette, and calmly surveyed the crowd as it came and went. An Oriental, I thought.

Somehow, the young man attracted me. He was of slight build, but I saw from the way in which he handled himself that he was an athlete. A ship's officer came up to him and asked him a question. With a smile, the young man took off his cap and produced an envelope from which he drew his ticket. Then he followed the officer and I lost sight of him in the crowd.

As we pulled out of Coruña harbor that evening, with the emigrants singing and shouting "Adios, La Coruña!", I saw the young man again. This time he took place by my side at the rail. When I glanced at him, he offered me a cigarette.

"*Caramba*, you are not the worse off for it!" he exclaimed when I thanked him and told him I did not smoke. "What nationality are you?"

I told him and answered half a dozen other questions which he asked me in a perfectly polite and friendly way. Then he proceeded to tell me that he was a Filipino and had been sent by his parents to Spain to study. But, as he admitted frankly, he had spent all his time and his money in gay company and had stepped over the threshold of the university only once or twice by accident. His father

had sent him money to return home; but Antonio—his name was Antonio Navarro—had lost it all in a game of cards, and by selling his books and other things, he had scraped together enough money to go to Buenos Aires as a steerage passenger.

"The Argentine Republic is the land of the future, my friend," he said, enthusiastically. "There is room for all, land for all, and opportunities for all in that country. And all are treated alike there; there is no superior white man to whom you must kowtow, no friar whose hand you must kiss, as in my country. But we shall come into our own too, we Filipinos, and it won't be very long, either!"

As we rounded the point and came out into the open sea, which was still pretty rough, the singing and music ceased and soon the emigrants were lying about the deck, huddled together in pitiful groups, or hanging over the rail.

Antonio looked disgusted.

"They have gorged themselves with rice and codfish and red wine, and now they are all seasick. No wonder! Come, let us sit on the life boat over there and talk a little more!"

Next day the steamer called at Villa Garcia, another small Spanish port, where it took two hundred more emigrants.

The rest of the trip was uneventful; it was rather pleasant than otherwise. The *Pfalz* called at the Cape Vert Islands, off the African coast, and then at Montevideo, Uruguay, and twenty-five days after sailing from Antwerp, she landed us safely at Buenos Aires.

Antonio and I had become great friends. He was a fine guitar player and had a pleasant voice, and when he was not courting one of the girls on board or gambling with the men, he entertained the crowd. He was the life of the ship.

Some one had recommended a German hotel in Buenos Aires, the "Deutscher Bund," as being cheap and clean, and to it Antonio and I went. It was situated in the port district, on the Paseo de Julio, an exceedingly noisy thoroughfare, with drinking places, shooting galleries, and stores of all kinds. We were shown a big room downstairs, containing three beds. Just as we were making arrangements to take it, one of the German waiters came with another prospective guest. The newcomer was a middle-sized man of about twenty-four, with a small blond mustache and blue eyes. He wore a black derby hat and looked neat and clean. A mocking, humorous smile flitted over his face occasionally as he was looking helplessly at the waiter, who was changing from German to Spanish, neither of which the newcomer seemed to understand.

At last the stranger turned towards me.

"I have a hunch that you speak English," he said. "I am looking for a room and this man seems to be offering to put us three into this barn here. Am I not right in my surmise?"

I told him he was and added that I would be glad to have him come in with us. Antonio, who had quite a smattering of English, smiled and said: "Same here." The stranger then introduced himself as Tom O'Hara. He came from a small town in Nebraska and was a carpenter by trade. Antonio and I took to Tom immediately and a friendship was formed between us three which knitted us together as close as brothers.

At the table at noon, Antonio and I learned that our new friend was a Roman catholic, as he would not eat meat, it being Friday.

"I am a catholic," O'Hara said, "and I believe in practicing my religion and respecting that of the others, whatever it may be."

Antonio and I liked him better for his frankness, and our being equally frank and telling him that we were both Masons seemed to please Tom.

"Some of the best men I knew were Masons" he said, as he pushed aside his plate with the fish bones. "It seems

to make good men out of heretics who are destined to sizzle in the hereafter, as Father Finnegan used to tell us back in old Nebraska." And he chuckled and winked his eye.

After we had each told Tom what had brought us to Buenos Aires, he looked at us with the whimsical smile that was characteristic of him.

"Now, gentlemen, you may think I am crazy when I tell you how I came here. About a year ago I deserted from a sailing vessel on which I was carpenter. We were becalmed quite close to the Brazilian coast one dark night, and another chap and I put our belongings on a raft I had fixed up, and pushed off, expecting the tide to carry us ashore. But the tide was running the wrong way and we worked six hours trying to keep it from sweeping us out into the ocean. When the tide turned, it did not take us long to reach *terra firma*. We landed in a swamp early in the morning and finally reached a small town. After a year in Brazil, I had saved enough money to come to Buenos Aires as a passenger, and here I am. I just landed this morning. And do you know why I did all this? Because one night, in the United States, in a very vivid dream, an old man appeared to me carrying a large map of South America. He unrolled it slowly and then pointed to a spot in the Andes, between Argentine and Chile. 'Here you will find diamonds,' he said. 'But you must not look for them.' Then he disappeared and the map dissolved into air. I have never been able to get rid of the idea that if I ever get to that place, I shall find diamonds without looking for them. And that is where I am bound for now. I have just enough money to pay my fare to the town of Mendoza which lies at the foot of the Andes, on the Argentine side."

"Why pay any fare at all?" I asked. "I understand that upon proper application to the *Jefe de Inmigración*, the Government gives immigrants free passes to any part of the republic on the railroad. Let us three go to the Immigrant Office to-morrow and find out."

Tom was quite pleased to get this information. We spent the afternoon in our room. I was pouring over immigrant office literature; Tom was smoking and thinking, while the obliging Antonio, having borrowed a flat iron, pressed his clothes and then ours, singing and whistling alternately.

They served coffee and buttered rolls at 4 o'clock, the same as back in the fatherland, and after *Kaffee* we three took a walk through the business part of the city. They still had horse cars on Calle Florida, the principal business street, in those days, and the beautiful city was not yet what it has become in the course of the last 30 years.

In the evening we planned to take a walk along the Paseo de Julio, which was thronged with sailors and people of all classes and conditions. Tom and Antonio started ahead of me, as I had to return to the room for something I had forgotten. When I stepped outside, I looked down the arcades skirting the Paseo and saw my two friends about half a block ahead of me. Tom was just turning to look at a shop window; I could plainly see his profile in the light from the shop.

I was not the only one who saw him. The man walking in front of me, an *Argentino* wearing the wide *bombas* (skirtlike trousers) and big boots of the *gaucho*, stopped in his tracks and stared at Tom.

"*Carai, el Inglés!*"

Quick as a flash, the *Argentino* reached back of his neck and pulled a long, murder-looking knife from under his jacket. European fashion, I was carrying a cane, and as the man raised his arm to throw the knife, I struck him on the elbow. The blow spoiled his aim and the knife struck the wall a foot from where Tom was standing. With a curse, the *gaucho* dived into the crowd and disappeared.

Tom stooped and picked up the knife. He was looking at it with his whimsical smile as I stepped up, breathlessly.

"What is the excitement?" he asked. "This must be

a gentleman's weapon, I judge. The handle is beautiful, and what a point and edge the thing has!"

I told Tom what I had seen and heard, and he shrugged his shoulders.

"Somebody must have it in for a certain Englishman, and he has evidently taken me for his pet enemy. They say these fellows' skill with a knife is uncanny, and I am sure that thing would be sticking in my back now if you had not used your cane on him. I shall never say another word about a man carrying a cane, old chap, and if you ever need me, all you have to do is to say so."

We cut our walk short that evening, as we did not know what else we might run into.

To make a long story short, the next day we had an interview with a very polite and pleasant official who sent us to the *Hotel de los Inmigrantes* with an order for free railroad passes to Mendoza. We were told that at five o'clock in the afternoon of the next day, a cart would come to the "Deutscher Bund" to take us and our baggage to the Palermo station, from where we were to leave for Mendoza on the late train.

I was much shocked to read in the papers that day that the North German Lloyd steamer *Salier*, on which my mother had wanted me to sail, had been wrecked on the dangerous Tijeras Reef, a few hours after leaving Coruña. Nobody saw her go down; the only evidence of the disaster were the wreckage and bodies cast up by the sea the next morning. There were about four hundred lives lost—every soul on board.

We spent part of the next day sight-seeing. At 5 o'clock, the cart came for us and our things. Perched on top of our baggage, we had an interminable ride through the streets of the city. The irrepressible Antonio enjoyed himself hugely exchanging compliments and comments with the people in the street, while Tom calmly smoked his pipe and I tried to look less embarrassed than I was.

At last the cart arrived at the Palermo station. We had a bite to eat and a bottle of wine in a small tavern, and at 10 o'clock we boarded the train. We spent an uncomfortable night on the hard wooden benches of our car.

At dawn we passed Junin, and all that day the train rolled through wide pampas. From time to time we stopped at some station; they all looked alike to me with their adobe buildings and crowds of *campesinos*. We came past a number of lakes and I saw an occasional ostrich or huge lizard scurry through the tall grass. Once or twice we observed enormous swarms of locusts.

The monotony of the day was agreeably broken by our fellow-passengers. I remember especially one huge, swarthy countryman, dressed in black. As soon as he had taken place on the bench opposite me, he proceeded to unwrap what looked to me like half a young pig. Drawing from his belt a knife almost a foot long, he began to cut huge slices from the pork and then from a big loaf of bread.

After the worst of his hunger was appeased, he gazed at us with a huge grin on his face.

"Look at the little foreigners," he said. "Bless my heart, but you look starved, poor boys! Come on, there is enough to eat for you all, and, glory be to God, I also have plenty of wine left. Red wine from Mendoza, my soul!"

Of course, we had to accept his hearty invitation, and he watched us with twinkling eyes as we were eating his bread and *chancho*, which I learned was the native name for pork. He kept urging us on and would not let us stop eating and drinking until there was not a crumb of bread or a shred of meat left and the wine-skin was empty.

Tom and I felt rather embarrassed, but Antonio knew how to repay the *Argentino* for his hospitality. Taking his guitar from the rack, he ran his fingers over the strings. Then he began to strum a tune and sing. The old fellow was delighted. His small black eyes were sparkling and he nearly hugged Antonio when he had finished the song.

"Play us something else, son," he begged. "Holy Mary, you can play, and bless that golden voice of yours!"

We soon had all the passengers crowding around us, listening to Antonio's playing and singing. Invitations to drink and eat came from every side. Antonio was the man of the hour.

At 6 o'clock that afternoon we changed cars at Villa Mercedes. Our travel companions were now rather taciturn Swiss and French farmers and we three passed away our time swapping yarns. Tom gave us some of his experiences at sea, Antonio told us about his gay life in Madrid, and I related some of my adventures in the Staked Plains and the Indian Territory the year before. Then we settled down for another uncomfortable night on the wooden seats of the car.

Early next morning we reached our destination, Mendoza. This is a town of—at that time—about 20,000 inhabitants. It lies over 2,500 feet above sea-level and is about 650 miles west of Buenos Aires. In 1861, the town was destroyed by a terrible earthquake in which fifteen thousand persons lost their lives, and since that time they have only one-story buildings in Mendoza. We walked along the wide streets, with open ditches with running water on both sides, shaded by pepper trees or poplars. We finally stopped at a fonda marked *Restaurant del Norie*.

The place was run by a Spaniard and we found that we could get cheap and good board and lodging there. As we entered the room assigned to us, Tom dropped his heavy tool bag on the tile floor and pulled out his pipe. Antonio, after carefully depositing his beloved guitar on a bed, stepped in front of the mirror and began making himself presentable. I stretched out on the bed and pulled out my Spanish dictionary, hunting for unfamiliar terms I had seen on a sign.

Then Tom spoke up. "What are you fellows going to do?" he asked. "I am going to the railroad shops. They are under English management and I think I have fair prospects of finding employment as a carpenter."

And indeed, he had landed a job before the sun went down that day.

Antonio laughed. "Why worry about work?" he said. "That week's board in advance which I paid to the landlord leaves me enough for cigarettes, and when the week is gone, God will provide."

I had a few gold coins left in my belt and thought I would have a look at the town and its surroundings before I started hunting for work. Antonio and I explored the place and the ruins left from the *terremoto*, under which the bones of thousands of victims still lie buried. We even went out into the country, which is covered with vineyards and orchards owned by thrifty Italians, Spaniards, and Frenchmen. Then we sat on a mud wall by the side of an irrigation ditch, looking at the snow-capped peaks of the Andes which were visible high above a bank of clouds in the west.

Antonio was lost in thought. He was worrying about the events that were taking place in his country. An insurrection had broken out against the Spanish government of the Philippine Islands, brought on largely, so Antonio told me, by the abuses of the friars, who were all powerful there. The Spaniards were determined to put down the revolt at any cost.

The newspapers accused the *guardia civil*, the incular police force, of the indiscriminate killing of hundreds of natives in some of the provinces.

After brooding a few minutes, Antonio jumped up. "What is the use worrying?" he said. "My *pueblo* seems to be quiet and although my father is known to be a Mason, the Spanish priest likes and protects him. He is a fine man, Padre Pedro, a saint! But they are blaming the Masons for this uprising and are persecuting them terribly, and I can't help worrying. Come on, Ed, let us go back to town."

A few days later I got a position as night clerk, interpreter, and outside man in a French hotel. The place was on one of the principal streets and was built around a large central courtyard or patio. The street side of the quadrangle was occupied by the main entrance, the bar, and the room in which I slept, the back by the dining room and kitchen, and the other two sides by the guest rooms.

At night, the big entrance door was closed; but I could open and close it from my room with a cord. A few days after our arrival, I experienced my first earthquake. The people of Mendoza are very nervous about earthquakes, which is quite natural; at the slightest quiver of the earth, all rush out into the street and begin praying.

That night, the shock was fairly strong. With the valor of ignorance, I remained on my cot and merely pulled the door open to allow the guests to run outside. They came in all states of undress. Among the last were the three statuesque, beautiful daughters of an Italian rancher. Like many Italian girls, they evidently slept without any clothes, but with a sheet ready for any emergency. There they came with their sheets draped about them and floating behind them as they dashed past my lodge, showing much more of their limbs than they would have done under ordinary circumstances. Ten minutes later they passed in again, shivering, with downcast eyes, their sheets drawn completely about them.

Antonio was making quite a bit of money with his music; but he was too fond of the cards to keep it. He and Tom dropped in on me from time to time and we had many a pleasant chat together.

But after a while, life in Mendoza palled on the three of us. One day we were sitting in the cool *cantina* of the hotel. I was not feeling well; somehow, the heat in December—the seasons are reversed south of the equator, you must remember—did not agree with me. Tom was pulling out a handful of Argentine government shinplasters to pay for the last round of Mendoza beer, and looked disgustedly at the banknotes in his hand.

"I wish I was somewhere where they have decent money," he growled. Then he rose. "Come on, you fellows; I want to show you something." He walked out into the patio and we followed him, wondering what it was all about.

"Look up there," Tom said, pointing at the snowy peaks of the Andes high up in the blue sky. "What do you say about a trip up there?"

"I'm with you, Tom," I said.

"Same here!" exclaimed Antonio. "I am broke now but I won't be a week from now. I know where I can make a few duros." And he ran his fingers over the strings of an imaginary guitar and smiled.

"Good," said Tom. "And you, Ed," he went on, drawing a bead on me with his pipe, "can we rely on you to make the arrangements for the journey?"

"Sure, Mike," I said. "Uspallata Pass—Santa Rosa—Valparaiso, five days on mule-back and a few hours by rail, because we cannot afford to take the Transandino railroad from here to Punta de Vacas; the rates on the narrow-gauge are really too high for folks like us. How about that?"

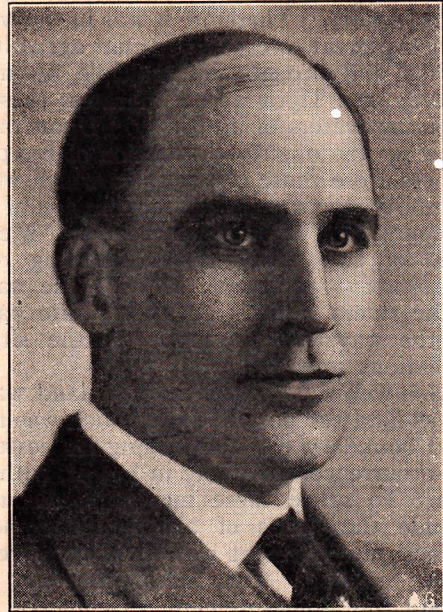
"I shall say yes and amen to whatever you determine, Ed; I know your German thrift and you *sabe* just where to get the necessary information. Let Ed do it—that is my vote, anyway."

"Same here," said Antonio. "So long, you two; I am going to get my guitar and make a bee-line for a certain house on Calle San Martin where there is a wedding. I have to hustle to get the money for my share of the expenses. This is Sunday, you know, the day God created for the musician in this country. Give me a peso, Ed; I want to buy some of those *Mauser Argentino* cigarettes and I am stone broke."

I quit my job, which was not much to my liking, for many reasons, and Tom gave notice at the shops. Then we three moved back into the *Restaurant del Norte*, where the Spanish landlord received us with open arms.

(To be continued)

Pieces of Architecture



WOR. BRO. ADOLPH ANCRUM WILLIAMSON

We take great pleasure in introducing to our readers Wor. Bro. Adolph Ancrum Williamson, of Cebu, the author of the article hereunder and of "Minerals and Metals" (January number) and "Charity" (February number). We have in reserve several other excellent contributions from Wor. Bro. Williamson's pen which our readers will enjoy. Masonic students and writers of Wor. Bro. Williamson's caliber are rare and we are grateful to him for his generous support of our struggling publication.

Wor. Bro. Adolph Ancrum Williamson was born on April 28, 1883, at Washington, D.C., and was educated in the public schools of that city. In 1906, he was appointed student interpreter to the Embassy to Japan. In 1911 he became consul of career, serving at several posts in China and Japan, including Formosa. He left the consular service in 1919 to enter business. Bro. Williamson was made a Mason by Northern Star of China Lodge No. 2673, E. C., of Newchwang, China, in 1917. He was a charter member of Talien Lodge (Mass.), Dairen, Manchuria, and in October, 1923, he affiliated with Tupas Lodge No. 62, Cebu, Cebu, P. I., of which he was Master in 1927.

The Letter "G"

By Wor. Bro. Adolph A. Williamson, Cebu, P. I.

Everyone who has seen the insignie of Freemasonry most commonly used, the Square and Compass, will have noticed the letter "G" enclosed within them. That letter they will readily have understood to stand for the name of God. And, so understanding, so interpreting it, they will not have been wrong; for it *is* the initial of the name of the Supreme Being.

But the symbolic implements or tools which enclose it are tools of architecture. They are employed by those creative artists who draw designs; they are used by operative workmen to measure and lay out their work. Their presence in the insignie seems to suggest—and suggest with authority—that the letter of the alphabet they enclose may have another interpretation; and we are informed in the Lodge that this letter also stands for Geometry, perhaps one of the earliest of the sciences historically.

The first great civilizations of which we have knowledge were raised upon the firm foundation of agriculture. When man began to till the ground, planting crops, he was on the

road to freedom from the threat of starvation which always menaces the herdsman, the nomad who wanders with his flocks from pasturage to pasturage, from waterspring to waterspring. Failure of water meant death to the herds, and hardship and suffering—or even starvation—to the herdsman. And so man began to till the ground that he might live in greater security and better ease. But certainty of an ample supply of water was even more necessary to success for the agriculturist than for the herdsman; for the herds could move about from place to place, seeking water; but the crops could not. Their location, once fixed, was fixed irrevocably. Therefore it was in the well-watered plains where the great rivers flowed that agriculture thrived and flourished and brought its multiple rewards without fail. The Nile, the Tigris and Euphrates: these were the great, life-giving waters of antiquity. Upon the banks of the one grew up the mighty civilization of Egypt: between the two others arose those civilizations which were all part of one continuity, the stupendous civilization of Mesopotamia. (Of course you know that the word, Mesopotamia, is composed of two Greek words meaning respectively *middle* (or *between*) and *river*, so that the name means "between the rivers." It is an appropriate name, nicely describing the physical geography of the site whereon those civilizations arose.)

Now, this well-watered agricultural land was valuable land. It was land the possession of which was much to be desired; and boundary disputes among its possessors were of frequent occurrence, especially in Egypt, with its annual inundations. To settle these inevitable disputes, to fix with certitude the limits of allotments, some accurate system of land measurement was an imperative necessity. Out of that necessity grew Geometry—for Geometry simply meant land-measurement. Geometry, therefore, meant the measure of land, the *measurement of earth*.

The creation of Geometry as a useful science proved man's understanding of his problem and his possession of wisdom sufficient to solve it. Geometry, then, showed wisdom and understanding.

"Wisdom," said Solomon, "is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding." (Prov. iv, 5.)

But where does all our wisdom and understanding come from? It comes from the observation and interpretation of natural phenomena. Practically, then, it comes from the observation of things that are or that occur here on the earth. For, though our knowledge has extended into the heavens, it is the things of the earth that most concern us since they are nearer to us and (except the sun) more directly and more obviously affect us. Geometry is an excellent and conspicuous example of how our earthly necessities have lifted us into knowledge. Few of the sciences so directly contributed to the establishment of peace and harmony among men as did Geometry, which also made possible that accumulation of wealth through agriculture which gave leisure for those investigations out of which the other sciences were to grow. For other sciences did develop; and their development marked man's progress along the road to wisdom through understanding.

The path which man has traveled in his search after wisdom and understanding has been a long and difficult one. Proceeding upon his journey, he has had to travel upon a rough and rugged road, one beset with dangers. Of these difficulties, the most dangerous to his attainment of his objective has been that of keeping his feet upon the solid earth of reality. To yield to the importunities, the

demands, of his imagination (which often seemed to threaten his life if he refused to yield) meant allowing his mind to fly away with him and lead him far from that work to the completion of which he was bound. More than once he yielded; more than once he strayed far afield. But each time some part of his drew him back again to the right road, urging him on and on.

The advancement of knowledge, the broadening of our understanding, the increase of our wisdom, has been slow; a secular process. It has been beset with difficulties and dangers; it has met with opposition; and those who, by their discoveries, have most added to its beauties have often done so at peril to their lives. Galileo, Copernicus, Columbus, our Magellan, that beautiful and learned woman, Hypatia, Darwin, Bruno—who does not recall with these names (and many another) the perils and trials they endured, the execrations they received, or the death meted out to them? I call to mind (and I quote from memory) the tears of Galvani, whose reports of his discovery were everywhere met with nothing but scorn. "And yet," said he, "I think I have discovered one of the great forces of the world." And he had. How sad is the thought that man's best servants, those who have added most to the beauty, the strength, and the wisdom of his life—those who have given him the greatest increase of that understanding which is the cornerstone of wisdom—have so often received in return only shame and disgrace at his hands, as even the Christ was crucified!

A survey of nature, and the observation of her beautiful proportions—it is said—first determined man to imitate the Divine Plan, and to study symmetry and order.

But Geometry witnesses that it is not in our imaginations, not in our vague dreamings, that that Divine Plan is discovered. It is found, it reveals itself, here on the earth. For here on the earth is everywhere displayed to the seeing eye that symmetry and order which is the revelation of a Plan. The earth is as a great book, spread open and lying before us; the great book of nature and revelation. It is this we are to study if we would know that Plan. It is the earth and all that therein is that we must take the measurement of if we would get understanding and wisdom.

How beautiful, then, is the significance of that letter of the alphabet suspended in the East!

It is the initial of the name of the Supreme Being.

It is the beginning of Geometry, the basis upon which the whole superstructure of Freemasonry is erected.

When our minds begin to take the measure of the earth; when our understanding opens to the evidences of design it everywhere displays; when we begin to acquire wisdom through acquaintance with its symmetry and order—then have we made that *initial* advance which shall finally bring us, through Geometry, to God.

As, sitting here in the Lodge, we gaze upon that letter suspended in the East and so significantly a part of the symbology of Freemasonry; as we ponder upon the explanation given in our ritual of the reasons which governed the choice of those symbols; as we discover by degrees their enclosure of an unsuspected beauty of implication; as we perceive in them a wisdom old as the hills yet ever fresh in its simplicity of truth, shall we ever cease from marveling? Shall we not say, as we view these proofs of wisdom and understanding displayed in the work of those who have gone this way before and penetrate thereby into the most hidden recesses of their minds, meeting them thus in spirit here in the Lodge—shall we not say unto them: It is God!?

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They suspended that symbol in the East. It is the initial of a name, naming the way to the understanding of Him it represents.

Truly, before it every Mason should, with reverence, bow.

Local News

De Molay Work Put on in the Phil. Islands

Saturday, February 15, 1930, witnessed an exemplification of the De Molay work in the Plaridel Temple when U. S. Asiatic Fleet Chapter, Order of De Molay, as guests of Service Lodge No. 95, F. & A. M., initiated Anthony Vincent Pech.

As the "Dad" of the Chapter, Bro. George Paul Binckley, C.Y., U. S. Navy, U.S.S. *Barker* (213), informs us, the U. S. Asiatic Fleet Chapter had its birth prior to the sailing of the Destroyer Division Thirty-eight, in July, 1929, when the Battle Fleet Chapter initiated nine boys. Within a week, two more were initiated, and upon arrival in Honolulu, their first stop from the U. S., nine more were initiated by Paradise Chapter, and Asiatic Fleet Chapter was instituted as a Chapter working under letters temporary.

The Advisory Council of the Chapter is composed of members of the U. S. Asiatic Fleet Masonic Club. The officers of the Chapter are: Master Councilor, Paul M. Whitter; Senior Councilor, Clarence C. Smith; Junior Councilor, Albin Marvin Haugen; Senior Deacon, George Hitchcock; Junior Deacon, John W. Fernimen; Senior Steward, William O. Bixler; Junior Steward, Loy Egder; Marshal, Tom Henry Seeman; Chaplain, Edgar H. Allard; Orator, John Alfred Formet, Jr.; Scribe, Howard W. Daugherty; Sentinel, Ralph Adams; Standard Bearer, Herman Perkins; Almoner, James F. White; Preceptors, Glen B. Wilson, Elmer A. Schultz, Howard Texas Ryley, Daryl Clinton Hatcher, Charles Henry Tyler, Herbert Lemaster, and Norman Edgar Lucas.

As regards the nature, purposes, and history of the Order of De Molay, with which many of our readers are not familiar, these were briefly stated in an excellent talk delivered after the initiatory ceremonies by Most Wor. Bro. Joseph H. Schmidt, Past Grand Master of Masons of the Philippine Islands. After explaining that the Order is an organization for the sons of Freemasons and other worthy young men between the ages of sixteen and twenty-one, and that it teaches and encourages Love of Parent, Reverence, Patriotism, Purity, Courtesy, Comradeship, and Fidelity, M. W. Bro. Schmidt continued:

As wonderful as the story of Jack and the Beanstalk, as entertaining as the tales of the Arabian Nights, as thrilling as Ten Thousand Leagues Under the Sea—such is the history of the Order of DeMolay. Almost overnight it grew from a local Kansas City club of nine young men into a great international organization of more than 200,000 members who are found in every state in the Union and in seven foreign countries.

The Order derives its name from Jacques DeMolay, the last Military Grand Master of the Order of Knights Templar. This eminent Frenchman, rather than betray his fellow Knights and the properties of the Templar into the hands of Philip the Fair, King of France, died at the stake on a small isle in the River Seine in Paris. According to history DeMolay paid the supreme sacrifice late in the afternoon of March 18, 1314.

The Order of DeMolay is NOT a junior Masonic organization. Its rules positively prohibit addressing its members along the lines of their future affiliations. Freemasonry is interested in the success of DeMolay just as it is interested in the success of churches, schools and other institutions that make for good citizenship. If a DeMolay chap-

ter contributes one good citizen, it is well worth the expense of organization. Its record has been thousands of good citizens.

"As the twig is bent so is the tree inclined" was never more pertinent to the development of the race than at the present. In a world torn by unrest, with pitfalls awaiting youth at every turn, the destiny of the nation, always resting heavily upon the shoulders of its young manhood, depends more than ever upon the forces that "bend the twig." By inculcating good morals and clean, upright and honorable living into American youth in its most plastic and receptive state, DeMolay renders a signal service—one upon which no valuation can be computed and which in itself is a satisfactory guarantee of good citizenship and splendid manhood for all those who are ushered into a man's estate by the guiding hands from within its folds.

After seven centuries the unconquerable spirit of Jacques DeMolay still lives and in the members of this Order it burns with undimmed brightness—a flame of moral chivalry which prompts its members to be ever ready to defend the weak, the helpless and the oppressed, a creed well worthy of dissemination to the world and adoption by all. Founded upon the basic principles of Christianity and good citizenship, DeMolay cannot but prosper and surpass even its present remarkable proportions.

The Order of DeMolay was founded and has functioned solely for the upbuilding of young manhood. It is not commercial nor mercenary and has been conducted along lines of economy commensurate with proper development. Farsighted Masonic leaders have gladly supported the movement following a thorough investigation. Young men delight in ceremonials and ritualistic work and any Freemason who has witnessed the proceedings of a chapter and observed the many activities of the Order, cannot help but agree it is worthy of the support of all members of the craft. *Over fifty Grand Masonic Bodies have endorsed the work of this movement.*

Lack of time and opportunity to practise prevented the ritualistic work from being perfect on this occasion; but great things may be expected for the future, as the Chapter is composed of some of the brightest and most enthusiastic youngsters of the Asiatic Fleet. As it was, the Masons who witnessed the work for the first time were deeply impressed with its possibilities.

The speakers of the evening were, besides M. W. Bro. Schmidt and Bro. Binckley, Wor. Bro. Leo Fischer, managing editor of the *Cabletow*, and Wor. Bro. William Beishir, P. M. of Service Lodge No. 95. Wor. Bro. M. L. Gordon, Master of the same Lodge, also made a few remarks. The keynote of all that was said was approval of the work initiated and admiration for the men of the armed service of the United States.

After the meeting, excellent refreshments were served.

Bro. Binckley and the members of the U. S. Asiatic Fleet Masonic Club deserve the highest praise for their efforts in behalf of the promising young men for whose benefit the new Chapter has been created, and Service Lodge No. 95 is to be congratulated upon extending its hospitality to the new organization.

Fraternal Banquet in Bontoc

The Masons of Bontoc, on February 10th, gave a fraternal banquet at Belen's Hotel in honor of Bro. Sisenando Silvestre, of Magat Lodge No. 68, and Bro. Nicolas S. Vergara, of Union Lodge No. 70. Bro. Silvestre has been acting as provincial treasurer of the Mountain Province and is being relieved by Bro. Vergara, to whose former station in Nueva Vizcaya Bro. Silvestre is now going. Fourteen Brethren, representing nine Lodges, attended the Banquet. Bro. A. Vallejo acted as toastmaster and Bros. Vergara, Dumpit (88), Lautzenhiser (63), and Silvestre made remarks.

This is probably the beginning of a series of Masonic gatherings of a social character in Bontoc.

From Corregidor Lodge No. 3

At a Special Meeting held on January 20th, at 5 p. m., all the Officers elect and appointed were installed, with the exception of the Master elect, Bro. Verne E. Miller, who has not yet returned from his trip to the United States.

The officers elected at the Annual Meeting are: Verne Emilus Miller, *Master*; John Robert H. Mason, *Senior Warden*; Leilyn Munns Cox, *Junior Warden*; Edwin E. Elser, P.M., P.G.M., *Treasurer*; Newton

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By authority of the incoming Master, the following were appointed for the year: Columbus E. Piatt, *Senior Deacon*; Louis E. Nantz, *Junior Deacon*; Fred Guy Stewart, *Senior Steward*; Joseph A. DeLude, *Junior Steward*; Edward Ford Hic'man, P.M., *Chaplain*; John M. Aaron, *Marshal*; Samuel H. Deebel, *Tyler*.

From Makabugwas Lodge No. 47, Tacloban, Leyte

Due to the able management of the Worshipful Master, Bro. José F. Nano, the G. O. A. T. Club of Makabugwas Lodge No 47 was able to resume on February 1st its monthly dinner with lectures and conferences concerning Masonry. Wor. Bro. John J. Riehl read a paper on the subject "How to Study". It was so well written and instructive that a proposition was made to typewrite it, as well as any other lecture to come, to be placed in the Library of the Lodge.

From Sarangani Lodge No. 50, Davao

On January 23, 1930, a banquet was tendered by the members of this Lodge and some of the sojourning brethren to Wor. Bro. Benito Natividad, Judge, Court of First Instance, 27th Judicial District, and Bro. Sixto de la Costa (53), his successor. Bro. Natividad has been granted and extended vacation leave of absence by the Bureau of Justice, and is scheduled to leave on the first boat for Europe. After the banquet, the second degree was conferred upon Bro. Mauricio Lumanog, an Entered Apprentice.

From Pangasinan Lodge No. 56, Dagupan

On the evening of the 25th of January, the officers of this Lodge for the current year were installed by Wor. Bro. Bonifacio Tadiar, District Inspector, assisted by Wor. Bro. Rafael M. Llorente, P.M. of this Lodge. After the Lodge was opened, the Brethren were invited to the Dagupan Hotel where dinner was served. At 9:00 in the evening the public installation ceremonies commenced in the hall of the municipal building of Dagupan, with a good attendance of prominent Masons and Non-Masons.

The principal officers of the Lodge are now: Wor. Bro. Vicente de Leon, Master; Bro. Gregorio P. Domagas, Senior Warden; Bro. Francisco Aquino, Junior Warden; Bro. Inocencio de Guzman, Treasurer, and Bro. Emeterio de los Santos, Secretary.

From Angalo Lodge No. 63, Vigan

The officers elect and appointed of Angalo Lodge No. 63 were publicly installed at the Lodge Hall at Vigan, Ilocos Sur, on January 4th. Wor. Bro. A. Quirolgico acting as Installing Officer and Wor. Bro. Bas. S. Santiago as Master of Ceremonies. The newly installed officers of the Lodge are: Master, Andres Baltazar; Senior Warden, Mariano R. Montemayor; Junior Warden, I. Feraren; Treasurer, Paul C. Palencia (P.M.); Secretary, T. Encarnación; Senior Deacon, Valente Burgos; Junior Deacon, Daniel F. Castillo; Chaplain, Graciano P. Pada; Marshal, Ramon Velasco; Senior Steward, Roberto Chan Sonzo; Junior Steward, Chan Teh, and Tyler, Gaudencio Lahoz. Addresses were made by Wor. Bro. Andrés Baltazar, the newly installed Master, Wor. Bro. Miguel I. Aguinaldo, the outgoing Master, and Wor. Bro. Felix Martinez. A Past Master's jewel was presented to Wor. Bro. Miguel I. Aguinaldo by Wor. Bro. Andrés Baltazar. The ceremonies were public and were followed by a dance in which prominent ladies and gentlemen of Vigan attended.

On Saturday, January 19, 1930, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Rafael Palma visited our Lodge. He was received with due honors and delivered an encouraging and instructive address. After him, Wor. Bro. A. Quirolgico, provincial governor of Ilocos Sur, also delivered a speech.

Refreshment was served after the speeches.

Angalo Lodge No. 63, F. & A. M., is at present housed in the upper story of the building occupied by the Vigan Post Office.

From Abra Lodge No. 86, Bangued

On February 1st, the new officers of Abra Lodge No. 86 were installed; Wor. Brothers Alejandro Quirolgico and Basilio S. Santiago (Angalo Lodge No. 63) were the Installing Officer and Master of Ceremonies, respectively. After the ceremonies, Wor. Bro. Felix Martinez, Inspector of Abra Lodge No. 86, gave a talk on the true spirit of Masonry; he was followed by Wor. Bro. Leon C. Bañez, Master-elect, and Wor. Bro. Julio Borbor. There was a dance and refreshments were

served.

The following officers were installed: Leon C. Bañez, Master; Vivencio C. Casia, Senior Warden; Cayetano Barros, Junior Warden; Esteban B. Buenavista, Treasurer; Apolinario Caridad, Secretary; Bernardo Burgos, Chaplain; Rafael Alzate, Marshal; Aguedo Crisologo, Senior Deacon; Manuel Alzate, Junior Deacon; Juan Villamor, Jr., Senior Steward; Ildefonso Castillo, Junior Steward; Franciser Brillantes Tyler.

It is interesting to note that coincident with his election as Master of this Lodge, Wor. Bro. Leon C. Bañez was also promoted from captain to major in the Medical Corps of the Philippine Constabulary.

From Benjamin Franklin Lodge No. 94

The ceremonies of installation were public and were well attended by the families and friends of the members. A number of visiting brethren were also present. Bro. Wm. A. Weidmann, Past Master of St. John's Lodge No. 9, officiated as Installing Officer and Bro. Q. S. Lockart, Past Master of Manila Lodge No. 1, acted as Master of Ceremonies. Bro. Obear, Past Master, presented a beautiful Past Master's Jewel to the retiring Master, Bro. Henry S. Townsend, who thanked the members for the jewel and the support they had given him during the past year. Light refreshments were served and a pleasant hour was spent in visiting after the Lodge had been closed.

The new officers of the Lodge are: Master, Paul F. Whitacre; Senior Warden, Leon S. Eaton; Junior Warden, R. C. Caldwell; Treasurer, A. W. Robertson; Secretary, Preston B. Moyer; Chaplain, H. H. Steinmetz; Marshal, B. E. Nowland; Senior Deacon, G. B. Obear; Junior Deacon, V. S. Giles; Senior Steward, George Milne; Junior Steward, H. Stone Hull; Tyler, J. H. Oswald (Manila No. 1).

From Service Lodge No. 95

At the installation ceremony of Service Lodge No. 95 the retiring Master, Wor. Bro. Beishir, was presented with a token of esteem and brotherly love in the form of a jewel and apron. These varied from the usual in that the jewel was designed by a member of the lodge and the apron was made by the loving hands of Bro. Beishir's wife. The presentation, accompanied by a brief talk, was made by Wor. Bro. Masterson.

As regards the new Master, Wor. Bro. Miore L. Gordon, it may well be said of him that "uneasy lies the head that wears a crown"—or a plug hat. The Brethren of Service Lodge No. 95 conceived the brilliant idea of presenting the newly elected Master with a stove pipe hat. The Master gently but firmly declined the gift, whereupon he was set upon by the ruffians, who demanded of him, not the secrets of a Master Mason but his newly purchased two peso straw hat, which they buried in the rubbish of the (Plaridel) Temple. At the installation ceremony due precautions were taken that no other hat was available, and on his ascension to the East the Master was again presented with the stove pipe, and with what good graces he could muster the Master donned it. But, it being a size too small, refused to stay put and necessitated some honest to goodness juggling on the part of the Master. With one hand on the gavel and one on the hat the Master seated the brethren and thanked them for their kindness. But the end is not yet. At the next stated meeting the Master, wearing a brand new straw hat ascended the East to find an empty lodge room before him. On inquiring into the cause of all the confusion, he was informed that he was not properly clothed, and the plug hat again made its appearance, but with this difference: it was a size larger. The Master capitulated; but under the condition that whosoever sits in the East shall also be properly clothed. Or course the Master has the Craft at a disadvantage in this, for he has a physique that goes well with a plug hat, being all of five feet four inches tall and weighing all of 120 pounds in his overcoat. Anyhow, peace and harmony again reign and the plug hat has a permanent home in the East.

From Palawan Lodge No. 99, Puerto Princesa

The annual meeting of Palawan Lodge, which was held on December 7th, last, was attended by all the Brethren in town, including Wor. Bro. R. P. Mitra, our district inspector, and Bro. Valentin Macasaet, superintendent of the San Ramon Prison, who happened to be in Puerto Princesa. Wor. Bro. A. H. Aberin, the outgoing master, provided refreshments after the meeting.

The officers elected and appointed were installed by Wor. Bro. Aberin, with Bro. Valentin Macasaet acting as master of ceremonies. After the installation, Wor. Bro. F. B. Santos, the new Master, gave a

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pansit party at his residence, the wives of some of the Brethren joining them on this occasion.

From Bud Daho Lodge No. 102, Jolo, Culu

The officers elect and appointed of Bud Daho Lodge were publicly installed in the rooms of the South Sea Club on January 18th by Wor. Bro. Ubaldo D. Laya, Bro. Alfonso Roque (29) acting as master of ceremonies. After the ceremonies, excellent addresses were delivered by Wor. Bro. Luciano Abia, in English, and Bro. Arturo Villanueva, in Spanish. Refreshments were then served and dancing enjoyed. The officers of the Lodge are now: Luciano Abia, *Master*; Arturo Villanueva, *Senior Warden*; Francisco Escudero, *Junior Warden*; Agapito de los Reyes, *Treasurer*; Julian Pilares, P.M., *Secretary*; Ubaldo D. Laya, *Chaplain*; Calxto de Leon, *Marshal*; Manuel Escudero, *Senior Deacon*; Carlos M. Escio, *Junior Deacon*; Emilio K. Marquez, *Senior Steward*; Eugenio Non, *Junior Steward*; Benigno S. Viray, *Tyler*.

From Bataan Lodge No. 104, Limay

On Saturday evening, January 18th, the officers of Bataan Lodge No. 104 were installed at the Lodge Hall in Limay by Wor. Bro. Federico D. Suavillo (51), Wor. Bro. Felipe Padolina acting as Master of Ceremonies. Addresses were made by Wor. Bro. Joseph C. Hill, the newly installed Master; Bro. José F. Ditan, the new Senior Warden, and Bro. Francisco L. Villafranca, the new Organist of the Lodge. Wor. Bro. Federico D. Suavillo, in behalf of the Lodge, then presented a fine Past Master's jewel to Wor. Bro. Felipe Padolina, the outgoing Master. Refreshments were served after the ceremonies. The new officers of Bataan Lodge are: *Master*, Joseph C. Hill; *Senior Warden*, José F. Ditan; *Junior Warden*, Laureano Escalada; *Treasurer*, Silvestre R. Gannon; *Secretary*, Lorenzo Pakingan; *Senior Deacon*, Toribio David; *Junior Deacon*, José A. Cruz; *Chaplain*, Leoncio Blancas; *Marshal*, Salvador Banzon; *Senior Steward*, Daniel Bascara; *Junior Steward*, Amando Banzon; *Organist*, F. L. Villafranca, *Tyler*, José Junio.

Steps are being taken for the transfer of this Lodge to Balanga, the capital of Bataan. Secretary Pakingan, after a conference with Bros. Daniel Bascara, Amando Banzon, and Marcos Jorge, has sent an application for the purchase of a lot for the new building in Balanga to the Bureau of Lands.

From Leonard Wood Lodge No. 105, Fort Stotsenburg

Leonard Wood Lodge No. 105 held its annual installation recently, Charles O. Sigler being new Master of the Lodge; M. Milton Potter, Senior Warden, and Mariano S. Sulit, Junior Warden. Retiring Master, Doyle O. Hickey, was presented with a handsome Past Master's Jewel, Charles O. Sigler, newly elected Master, making the presentation for the Lodge.

Nicolas Garabato was installed as Treasurer; Cipriano Masielat, Secretary; George A. Whatley and Ruperto Monte, Senior and Junior Deacons, respectively; Julian Quiambao, Chaplain; Benigno Calantuan and Gaudencio S. Cruz, Senior and Junior Stewards, respectively; James B. Whatley, Marshal, and Roman Magdangal, Tyler.

Colonel Fred Damman and Captain D. O. Hickey were the installing officers. Talks by Col. Damman; Capt. D. O. Hickey, retiring Master; C. O. Sigler, newly installed Master; M. Milton Potter, S. W.; and M. S. Sulit, J.W., concluded the affair.

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Personals

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Manila No. 1.—Bro. Padley visited the Lodge in January, this being the first opportunity he had for visiting it since he was raised, some ten years ago. He is now on the U.S.S. *Black Hawk*.

Wor. Bro. Clinton T. Alden sends regards from Zomboanga, his present station.

Brother C. K. Krams writes that several changes in station and also sickness in the family have kept him more than busy during the past two years. He is now stationed at Fort Douglas, Utah.

Brother Clayton sends greetings from San Francisco as does Brother Alman from Pittsburg.

Brother W. E. G. Foster writes under date of Dec. 17th, "As a piece of news from me or concerning me, I was recently married to Miss Margaret Anderson, of Anderson, California. We are at home at the above address (931 1/4 W 18th St., Los Angeles) where we will welcome brothers from the Philippines."

Bro. F. E. Hedrick is improving slowly, but steadily at his home on Calle Dakota. Time hangs heavy on his hands occasionally and he always appreciates a visit from a friend and Brother.

Bro. Guy Strattan came up from Jolo in February and spent some time in Manila.

Corregidor No. 3.—Wor. Bro. Charles Massell returned from a visit to the United States on February 5th, on the S.S. *Tai Shan*, having made the voyage by way of the Panama Canal. Mrs. Massell and their daughter remained in the United States where Miss Massell intends to complete her studies. Wor. Bro. Massell has completely recovered from his ailment and has resumed his work at the Meralco with the pep and spirit that a vacation in a cold country is sure to give.

Bro. A. M. Schwesig from San Francisco sends greetings with his dues

Logan B. Schirmer sends best wishes to all the members, and says that he gets all over the states traveling for the Morton Salt Company.

Bro. Harry R. Taylor, now at the Mare Island Navy Yard, sends New Year greetings.

Bro. Charles C. DeSelms is still in San Francisco and greets the members of No. 3.

Bro. J. A. Swift is farming in Virginia, and sends his best wishes to all the members who still remember him.

Col. Charles W. Taylor sends greetings for 1930 from Fort Ringgold, Texas.

Our good Bro. Charles G. Olson has been sick for some time, but is on the road to recovery.

Technical Sergeant Frank Lachance is now stationed with the 9th Airship Co., Scott Field, Belleville, Ill.

Bro. William Hirzel, of Tokyo, Japan, renews his offer of being of assistance to any of the brethren who may visit Tokyo.

John E. Enright tells us, from San Francisco, of a change of house address and sends the greetings of the holiday season to all the brethren.

Past Master Edwin L. Driggs, with his dues, asks to be remembered to all the members who knew him. He lives in Oakland, California.

Bro. Charles P. Stewart has located in Los Angeles, and hopes to see us all again in Manila within a year for a short visit.

Wor. Bro. John B. Findley, Jr., left on February 12th for the United States on vacation.

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Bagumbayan No. 4.—Bro. Oliver J. Cowles sends dues from 1429 Lebanon Avenue, Belleville, Illinois.

Bro. Justo Juliano has changed his address to 5648 Newport Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Wor. Bro. Leo Fischer received high praise for his work on the *Cabletow* at the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, during which he acted as English-Spanish interpreter.

Miss Virginia Rosenstock, daughter of M. W. Bro. C. W. Rosenstock, was married to Mr. E. E. White at the Cathedral of St. John and St. Mary on January 31st. The wedding and the reception held after it at the Manila Hotel were well attended. The bride, a most charming and accomplished young woman, is very popular in Manila society. She was the last of Bro. Rosenstock's trio of lovely daughters to marry.

Bro. Eugene A. Gilmore, Vice Governor-General of the Philippine Islands, was reported at Columbus, Ohio, on February 6th, making a brief inspection of the public schools of that city. He is investigating the matter of installing radio and radio movies in the public schools of the Philippines.

Bro. Camilo Osias, Philippine Resident Commissioner in the United States, is frequently mentioned in the public press in connection with his activities in behalf of the Islands.

Bro. Rafael Abiera had the misfortune to lose his wife, who died of heart trouble at Calivo on January 11th.

Bro. D. R. Onrubia writes from Boston, Mass., January 16th, that his work is so absorbing that he has not yet been able to visit Lodges in Boston. He planned to leave from New York on January 31st, on the S.S. *Bremen*, for Southampton, England, and then to visit the railroad terminals in London, Berlin, Paris, Budapest and Genoa, from which latter port he intended to leave for Manila on the S.S. *Derfflinger*, scheduled to arrive in this city on April 4th.

Southern Cross No. 6.—Bro. Charles Bruenich will not be returning to the Philippine Islands to receive his third degree in this Lodge. He expects to be raised in the same Lodge in which his father was made a Mason.

Mrs. E. Finley Johnson is progressing satisfactorily.

Bro. E. E. Diot has written a good letter to the Lodge.

Bros. Ernest Heybroek and Chas. B. Moore are back in Manila.

Bro. Julius S. Reese has left for the States again.

Bro. M. H. Dodge passed through Manila in January.

Cosmos No. 8.—Wor. Bro. Fritz R. Kretschmar opened a branch office of the Radio Corporation of the Philippines, in the city of Cebu, on January 18th. He is in charge of this office and his territory covers the Visayas and Mindanao, which will oblige him to travel considerably.

Brother Gordon H. Stagner underwent an emergency operation for appendicitis on December 31st, and was confined in Saint Luke's Hospital during his convalescence. His recovery was rapid, thanks to efficient medical care and a good constitution, and he was able to attend our Special Meeting of January 15th.

Mrs. MacDonald, wife of Bro. Joseph H. MacDonald, is a patient in Saint Luke's Hospital, and her condition is reported as very satisfactory. Bro. MacDonald recently removed to Batangas to accept an important position with the Batangas Transportation Company.

Wor. Brother Joachim W. Schilling was also on the sick list in January, suffering from a bad infection on the foot, which obliged him to take an enforced vacation. Under the efficient care of Bro. Dr. Carl M. Hasselman he is very much improved.

Word has been received that Bro. Thomas Waltenspiel has been very ill in Fabrica, Occidental Negros. He had two attacks of gastritis which it is found were caused by ulcerated stomach. It has been decided to send him to the hospital in Iloilo as soon as he is able to stand the trip.

Brother Alfred F. Kelly left on January 24th for Shanghai, China, in the interests of his firm. He will possibly be stationed permanently in that city, and has given his new address care Cathay Mansions. Brother Kelly recently returned from China after having made a commercial survey of the tobacco market, the results of which indicated that his personal supervision in that territory was necessary.

Bro. Juan S. Fernando has been promoted from Lieutenant to Captain in the Medical Reserve Corps, United States Army. Bro. Fernando has won recognition for his research work and meritorious service in the medical profession, and has earned the promotion in rank lately conferred upon him. His commission is dated November 20th, but official notice of it was only received in Manila last month.

A letter has also been received from Brother Samuel C. Hunter, residing in that ultra-tropical health resort called Bakersfield, California. Bro. Hunter says he wishes for some of those good old rains he used to enjoy in Manila. He has visited two Lodges in Bakersfield, in both of which he was treated fine.

Bro. Hunter concludes his very interesting letter with an invitation to any of the Manila brethren to be sure to stop in to see him if they ever happen to pass his way, and to partake of a dinner prepared by one of the best cooks in California. He sends his fraternal regards to all his many friends and brethren.

Bro. Walter P. Ganz was accidentally poisoned with carbon monoxide gas last month, and has been confined in Saint Luke's hospital, under the care of Bro. Dr. Carl M. Hasselman, since that time. His condition is now very much improved and he is able to be about again.

Letters of fraternal greeting have been received from the following brethren: Bro. Albert E. Tatton, Camp John Hay, Baguio; Bro. LeRoy W. Huntington, Mambulao, Camarines Norte; Bro. John Sinn, Honolulu, T. H.; Bro. Ludwig C. Wienke, Cebu, Cebu, P. I.; Bro. Charles C. Fuller, Sumulong Station, Tayabas; Bro. Charles C. Jensen, Iloilo, Iloilo; Bro. Edward E. Christensen, Padada, Sta. Cruz, Davao.

St. John's No. 9.—Bro. Leo Schnurmacher spent the week-end of January 25th in Baguio with Mrs. Schnurmacher.

Bro. Cyrus Padgett visited Manila in January; he intends to go to the U. S. in the near future.

Bro. Merton V. Best visited Manila on February 22nd, conducting a tourist party on the S.S. *Belgenland*.

Bro. S. S. Taylor of Cebu was a visitor to our city in January.

Wor. Bro. C. S. Salmon was absent from the city from January 15th to 27th, visiting Cebu, Iloilo, and Bacolod.

Wor. Bro. B. F. Jinks also visited Iloilo in January on business of his firm.

Bro. Frank Paschall was sick in St. Paul's Hospital in February. Letters have been received from Bro. Walter L. Dencker, Camp John Hay, F. C. Thompson, Yokohama, and Bro. Wm. R. Hamme, Malolos.

A letter from Bro. Brooke D. Cadwallader from Hongkong reports Bro. Fred C. Cadwallader improving in health. The most recent news is a cablegram stating that Bro. Fred Cadwallader is in a hospital in San Francisco for observation.

Iloilo No. 11.—Makawiwili Lodge reports the presence in Capiz, on official business as supervising agent of the Bureau of Internal Revenue, of Wor. Bro. Melecio R. Domingo, also the visit of Wor. Bro. Evelio Zaldivar and others to the Capiz Carnival in December.

Nilad No. 12.—Wor. Bro. Ambrosio Pablo, Master of this Lodge, left for Nueva Ecija and Pangasinan on January 20th, on an official inspection trip in connection with his duties in the Executive Bureau.

Bro. Barrington K. West, of the Police Department, City of Manila, was promoted to captain of police recently in recognition of his meritorious service. He was warmly congratulated by the officers and members of his Lodge.

At the recent election of the officers of the Civil Service Employees Association, Inc., Bro. E. Quijano was elected as auditor and Bro. F. Guerra as member of the board of directors.

Bro. Mariano Manas is mourning the death of one of his children which occurred on January 16th.

Bro. Ramon Victorio, Director of Prisons, is inspecting provincial jails and the San Ramon Penal Colony.

Bro. Florencio Tamesis, Assistant Director of Forestry, arrived recently from Mindanao where he had been inspecting the operation of a big lumber firm. Shortly after his return, Mrs. Tamesis presented him with twin daughters. Mother and daughters are reported well.

Wor. Bro. Guido is working hard to secure the conviction of certain wealthy persons whom he and a party of Constabulary agents arrested in a sensational raid some time ago. Our Brother has been doing good work in connection with the campaign against opium smoking and smuggling.

Bro. Doroteo Soriano, who is at present stationed in Los Baños, was in Manila on University Day.

Bro. Moises T. Cadiz writes that he is enjoying a short vacation at Candelaria, his home town.

Walana No. 13.—Wor. Bro. N. C. Asinas, income tax examiner in the Bureau of Internal Revenue, has been assigned to internal revenue

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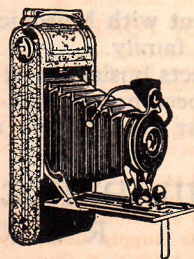
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district 11, which comprises the provinces of Zamboanga, Davao, Cotabato, and Jolo. He left for his new station on February 11th.

Pilar No. 15.—Bro. Daniel Paras, owner of Paras Store at 247 Florida, Ermita, Manila, sold out his business some time last January.

Bro. Toe Hio sailed for Davao last February 4th and will return to Manila as soon as he has looked over his business there.

Bro. 'Esteban Dominguez' adopted son was married last January; many Brethren attended the wedding and lunch.

Bro. Tiburcio Gayo has built another house in Cavite, Cavite, for business purposes.

Bro. Manuel de Leon's up-to-date dwelling-house at Imus, Cavite, built of select strong materials, is nearing completion.

Silangnan No. 19.—A letter was received from Bro. Filomeno Reynes, Reich Hotel, 840 Sutter, California, enclosing dues for the year and sending greetings. Bro. Felipe M. Alfonso is the proud father of a son born on January 30th. Bro. Alfonso is the Post Master of Biñan, Laguna.

Bro. Castor P. Cruz has been reelected secretary of The Peoples Bank.

Bro. Juan P. Frisnedy who for the past three months acted as manager of the Cebu Portland Cement Co., Cebu branch, is back in Rizal.

Wor. Bro. Gallardo went to the Visayan Islands for a week's inspection of the ports. He is busy conducting raids against opium smugglers.

Rizal No. 22.—Bro. Louis Mazur has completely recovered from his operation for appendicitis, on account of which he was confined to his bed at St. Paul's Hospital for ten days, and has resumed his work as manager of Beck's Department Store.

Pinagsabitan No. 26.—Bro. Hilario Zalameda is recovering from an attack of acute nephritis; his physician is Bro. Zosimo Fernandez, our J. W.

Wor. Bro. Balbino Kabigting, provincial treasurer of Laguna, went to Manila on February 10th, on official business.

Bro. Narciso C. Tobias and Miss Iluminada Santos were married recently. Bro. Tobias is employed as clerk in the Laguna Provincial Hospital.

Many Brethren attended the funeral of the wife of Bro. Fermin D. Buan, S. W. of this Lodge, on February 13th.

Bro. Aquilino Mansueto has been heard of from Iba; he is provincial commander of the Constabulary in Zambales.

Rt. Wor. Bro. Isidro Paredes, who was elected Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands at the last Annual Communication, has been stationed at Lingayen, Pangasinan, since the first of the year.

Lincoln No. 34.—Bro. Bonifacio Supatan, on the U.S.S. *Maryland*, in a letter dated December 28th, last, reported visiting Lodges at Bremerston, Wash., where he was stationed at the time.

Batangas No. 35.—Bro. Leon M. Arellano was married to Miss Maria Consolacion Banta, of Cupang, Bauan, Batangas, at the R. C. church of Bauan on January 16th.

Charleston No. 44.—Bro. George Paul Binckley, C. Y., U.S.S. *Barker*, has been quite active in behalf of the Order of DeMolay; he is the "Dad" of the newly organized Asiatic Fleet Chapter which held its first meeting at the Plaridel Masonic Temple, Manila, on February 15th, as reported elsewhere in this issue of the *Cabletown*.

Mt. Apo No. 45.—Bro. A. Vallejo, who has been acting as chief clerk and deputy of the office of the provincial treasurer of the Mountain Province since June 9, 1929, expects to be relieved soon by Bro. E. H. Dolojan.

Sarangani No. 50.—Bros. Dr. Pedro R. Santos (S.W.) and A. Hui (93) report additions to their families, the former a son and the latter a daughter.

Bros. Nicanor Punsalan and Victor Bustamente, of Mat, and Bro. Pacifico M. Sobrecarey, of Caraga, were in Davao, on official business, about the middle of January.

Bro. Lim-Juya (J.W.) has been elected vice-consul by the Chinese community.

Bro. Sergio Salvaleon's merits have been recognized by his promotion from bookkeeper in the provincial treasurer's office to administrative deputy-treasurer.

Bro. José Elayda left on February 3rd for Manila, as chairman of

the Davao delegation to the Manila Carnival.

Pintong-Bato No. 51.—Christmas greetings were received from Bros. Mamerto M. Prudente, at Pensacola, Florida, and Mauricio T. Buensuceso, at Brooklyn, New York, U. S. A.

Bro. Pablo Tablante was married to Miss Paciencia Endoma of Pililla, Rizal, on Sunday, January 26, 1930, at the Cathedral Independent Church in Tondo, Manila. Dinner was served in the house of Mrs. Paciencia E. Tablante in Pililla, Rizal. Valuable gifts were presented to the happy couple by the members of this Lodge who attended the wedding.

Brother and Mrs. Marcelo Perez celebrated the 25th anniversary of their marriage at their home in Pasay on February 9th.

Pinatubo No. 52.—Bro. Ricardo H. Sabella, son-in-law of Bro. Juan Santos, the latter a member of Zambales Lodge No. 103, left for the United States on January 17th, for a stay of at least two years. His wife and two children remained at San Antonio, Zambales. Bro. Sabella was principal teacher of the Surigao High School and the chief purpose of his journey to the United States is to secure the degree of Ph. D.; he now holds the degree of M. A. in political science from the Georgetown University. His States address is c/o Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C.

Filipinas No. 54.—Bro. Leon Pelaez, provincial governor of Marinduque, visited Manila early in February to ask for assistance in fighting the leaf miner which is making its appearance in the coconut plantations of the island. The majority of the people of Marinduque being dependent upon the products of the coconut tree for their living, this is a vital question for the province. Bro. Pelaez hopes that sooner or later, a Masonic Lodge may be organized in his province, as he believes the material on hand and in sight is sufficient to warrant such an undertaking.

Bro. Alipio R. Nuqui, now stationed at Boac, Marinduque, as traveling postmaster, was raised to the degree of M.M. at a special meeting of this Lodge held at Panaon, Unisan, Tayabas, on December 14, 1929.

Makawiwili No. 55.—Bro. José Rendon, of Maktan Lodge No. 30, visited Capiz on business in January.

Bro. Frederick W. Meyer, S.W., acted as Master, Wor. Bro. Leonardo Garduño as Chaplain, and Wor. Bro. José Altavas as Bible-Bearer at the funeral of Bro. Dioscoro Tirol at Ibahay, Capiz, on January 26th. Wor. Bros. Garduño and Altavas also spoke eloquent words at the grave of our departed Brother.

There was a new arrival at the home of Bro. José A. Quimpo in December: another son.

Wor. Bro. Ceferino Sevilla has ceased being chief deputy provincial assessor and has resumed his duties as inspector of internal revenue of Capiz.

Pangasinan No. 56.—Bro. P. Encarnación reports the arrival at his home of a son while Bro. D. Velasco reports a new daughter. A son was also born to the widow of our Bro. P. D. Roy who died in July.

Bro. Gregorio P. Domagas, S.W. of this Lodge, is leaving the province, he having been appointed supervising internal revenue agent of District No. 6, which comprises Batangas and four other provinces.


Isla de Luzon No. 57.—Wor. Bro. José Paterno has been appointed chairman of the Grand Lodge Employment Committee and Wor. Bro. Ramon Mendoza is again Assistant Grand Secretary in which position he has been rendering meritorious service for a number of years past.

Marble No. 58.—Bro. Amando Bulaong's mother-in-law died of a brain attack on January 26th. Bro. Bulaong is at present assistant bookkeeper of the provincial treasurer's office of Bulacan, after having been municipal treasurer of Guiguinto.

Bro. Alejandro A. Magante's wife is in delicate health.

Wor. Bro. Manuel T. Albero left on February 2nd for the inter-provincial meet in Marinduque with the delegation of athletes of Romblon Province, headed by Bro. Ceferino Purisima. The delegation, among whom is Bro. Sotero Dario, returned to Romblon on February 9th. Wor. Bro. Albero and the rest of the party cannot speak highly enough of the royal reception that they received from the provincial and municipal officers of Marinduque and especially from the superintendent, Bro. Cenón Monasterial.

Baguio No. 67.—Bros. Dionisio Nocete, Bernardo Diaz, Mateo Borja, and Nicolas Mendoza attended a Masonic banquet given at Belen's Hotel, Bontoc, on February 10th, in honor of Bros. Sisenando Silvestre and Nicolas S. Vergara, provincial treasurers of Nueva Viz-



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caya and the Mountain Province, respectively.

Magat No. 68.—Bro. Sisenando Silvestre, who has for some time been acting provincial treasurer of the Mountain Province at Bontoc, is back in Nueva Vizcaya.

Union No. 70.—On February 2nd, the Wor. Master, Leoncio R. Salanga, accompanied by Wor. Bro. Bonifacio Tadiar and Bro. Federico Florendo, made a trip to Santa Maria, Pangasinan, to visit Bro. Trinitario B. Munar, a member of this Lodge, who is in a critical condition, from tuberculosis. "Bro. Munar was unable to speak," they reported on their return. "He was, however, able to write what he wanted to tell, and was very appreciative of our visit to him and his family." Wor. Bro. Anastasio Abad, Master of Agno Lodge No. 75, and other members of his Lodge, make frequent visits to Bro. Munar, which are highly appreciated by our sick Brother and for which Union Lodge is truly grateful to them.

Bro. N. S. Vergara, formerly of Nueva Vizcaya, has been appointed provincial treasurer of the Mountain Province. Bros. V. Ringor and Anacleto Galo attended a banquet given in Bro. Vergara's honor by the Masons in Bontoc on February 10th.

Kasilawan No. 77.—While at Cabanatuan on business as inspector of the Bureau of Lands, in January, Bro. Mariano I. Guzman was hospitably entertained by Bro. Fajardo, of Cabanatuan Lodge No. 53.

Bro. Inocencio Masiglat is ill at his home at 49 Vision, Sampaloc, Bro. Elias Ibañez sends greetings and dues from Zamboanga.

Benjamin Franklin No. 94.—Bro. Joel R. Conrad, who has been on the U.S.S. *Childs*, writes that he is retiring from the Navy and that he is going to live in Florida.

Col. Lloyd L. Smith, who has been stationed at Letterman General Hospital for quite a while, sends a short but welcome letter.

Bro. R. F. Wallace has left the Islands on the Transport *Cambrai* with his family for his new station in Norfolk. He was raised in October 1929 and did not have the privilege of attending many meetings.

Wor. Bro. John M. Bury spent some time at the Sternberg Hospital in February and had his many friends worried and anxious for a while. However, he has recovered and is back on duty again.

Bud Daho No. 102.—Wor. Bro. Dr. Julian Pilares and wife and Wor. Bro. Lt. Luciano Abia and wife left for Manila towards the end of January, Wor. Bro. Abia's object being to attend Grand Lodge and at the same time have his wife undergo medical treatment in the capital. Other passengers on outgoing boats were Bro. Benigno S. Viray and Bro. Julius Schuck, both of whom were on business trips.

Bro. and Mrs. Arturo Villanueva were the guests of honor at several social functions prior to their departure for Bacolod, Bro. Villanueva having been promoted to provincial fiscal of Occidental Negros. The last of these was a supper given by the Masons in town at the residence of Bro. Go Ah Chee on February 6th, which was very well attended. Bro. Villanueva and wife sailed on the S.S. *Kinau*, on February 7th.

Other passengers leaving on the *Kinau* were Wor. Bro. and Mrs. Ubaldo D. Laya; the former is in charge of the Sulu participation in the Philippine Carnival, and the latter is going to Manila for surgical treatment.

Bro. Senator Hadji Butu (16) has been ill at his home since his arrival from Manila; but his teeth give him less trouble now and he is able to go out and take light exercise.

Bataan No. 104.—Letters with greetings have been received from Wor. Bro. J. C. Hill and Bros. Felipe Fuentes and Candido Alvarez; all three being at Sipaco, Camarines Sur, and from Bro. José F. Ditan (Manila), Bro. Marcelo de la Cruz (Catabangan, Cam. Sur), and Bro. Cecilio M. Bituin (San José, Antique).

Wor. Bro. Julian Balmaseda has purchased Bro. Patricio Mistal's bowling alley and is transferring it from Limay to Bacoor, where it is to be installed in the building of Pintong-Bato Lodge.

Bro. Francisco L. Villafranca's daughter has again gone to Manila for medical treatment; she is suffering from heart trouble.

Expecting Too Much

Demands for relief are occasionally made upon Lodges which are downright ridiculous. With the dues as low as they are, Lodges are asked to pay allowances to members who are habitually out of work, support widows for the rest of their natural lives, educate and support orphans for many years, make loans to members about to engage in business, short in their accounts, or otherwise in need of cash, etc. In "Impressions by the Way," in the *Illinois Freemason*, the following case is mentioned which is typical:

The following incident is related of a widow in a neighboring state whose husband was a member of a lodge and who moved away and for some years paid no dues in his lodge. He finally took sick and died and was buried by the Masonic lodge in the town where he died, and the lodge sent the bill for the expenses to the lodge where the deceased brother belonged and they paid it, never having suspended the brother for non-payment of his dues. A short time after this the widow moved back to their former home and applied to the lodge for assistance. A committee waited upon the lady and inquired what she wanted. She informed them that she thought about five hundred dollars would do her with what she had from the sale of some property left by her late husband, which amounted to about \$4,500, and she was much surprised when informed that the lodge could not comply with her request. She said she supposed the lodge would set her up in business. No lodge would refuse to help the needy, but they are no building society nor national banks.

What Masonic Books to Buy and Read

A welcome addition to the literature of Freemasonry is a newly published brochure of 32 pages, entitled "A Reader's Guide to Masonic Literature," available without cost through the Macoy Publishing and Masonic Supply Co., 35 West 32nd St., New York. It is written by J. Hugo Tatsch, P.M., for four years curator and associate editor of the Iowa Masonic Library at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and who has made many contributions to the Masonic press of the United States, Europe, Australia and South Africa. Bro. Tatsch is now in New York, giving his entire time to the Macoy Company as vice president of the corporation.

The author has classified the literature of Freemasonry into a number of distinctive groups, such as history, symbolism, ethics and philosophy, fiction, etc. Under each heading are recommended typical and outstanding books which have been recognized by Masonic students as representative of the subjects discussed. By purchasing such volumes, the Masonic reader can lay a foundation for a personal library which can be augmented from time to time, or extended into various directions by specializing on certain classes of Masonic books.

The keynote of the brochure is availability; all of the titles recommended can be had from their publishers. Books out of print, no matter how desirable or how essential to the well rounded library, have not been included. So many Masons whose interest is aroused in Masonic study have been discouraged when seeking for recommended books by being told that they were out of print and obtainable only at well established libraries or perhaps after long search through the rare book shops.

The "Reader's Guide" is not a sales catalog, but for the benefit of those who wish to purchase the books a separate price list has been printed to accompany the brochure. Requests have already been received from general and Masonic libraries for copies, and the educational committees of a number of Grand Lodges have evinced an interest in it. One Grand Lodge is distributing copies to all of its Lodges as a part of the educational program.

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La Biblioteca en Proyecto

En la antigüedad, la sabiduría se adquiría sobre todo escuchando las palabras de los hombres reconocidos como sabios. Cada uno de éstos tenía sus discípulos que le seguían, a veces por muchos años, para aprender de sus labios lo que les importaba conocer. Los hombres sedientos de instrucción viajaban a veces muchas leguas para consultar a alguno de los maestros sobre dudas que abrigaban o puntos oscuros que necesitaban explicación. Confucio, Mencio, Sócrates y otros sabios tenían cada uno un número crecido de seguidores, del mismo modo que Jesús tenía los doce apóstoles.

La Masonería ha conservado hasta cierto punto la práctica de comunicar enseñanzas provechosas y verdades importantes por medio de la palabra hablada, pero ésta ya no basta para comunicar los conocimientos necesarios y convenientes sino que nos valemos de libros y periódicos masónicos que actualmente abundan. El que no tenga a su disposición escritos masónicos no puede jamás instruirse suficientemente sobre la historia, las tradiciones, el simbolismo, la filosofía y la jurisprudencia de nuestra Institución.

Saludamos, pues, con regocijo el plan de nuestra Gran Logia de crear una biblioteca que pueda servir a los Hermanos de esta Gran Jurisdicción como fuente en que beber las aguas cristalinas del saber masónico. Se ha dicho con acierto que el tratar con libros es lo mismo que tratar con personas ilustres y que leyéndolos, aprendemos la manera de ser de los hombres superiores. La biblioteca proyectada contribuirá eficazmente a la formación de Masones inteligentes e instruídos en materia de Masonería y al adelanto consiguiente de la Institución en estos Valles.—L. F.

La Gran Oración

Fué una joya el discurso magistral pronunciado por el Muy Ilustre Hermano Rafael Palma, Gran Orador de la Gran Logia de las Islas Filipinas, en la Reunión Anual de nuestra Gran Logia. Revela no solamente al hábil y elocuente orador sino también al profundo pensador y filósofo. ¿Es sorprendente, entonces, que de nuevo haya sido designado Gran Orador el ilustre Presidente de nuestra Universidad oficial?

Nos honramos en reproducir en las columnas de esta revista dicha oración, a fin de que todos nuestros lectores puedan saborearla. Dicho sea de paso que el discurso se pronunció en inglés pero que el orador tuvo la amabilidad de facilitarnos el texto castellano que hoy ofrecemos a nuestros lectores.

¡Muchas Gracias!

La redacción del CABLETOW agradece mucho a los Hermanos las numerosas demostraciones de aprobación y aprecio que recibiera en la reciente Reunión Anual de la Gran Logia. Sobre todo vimos con íntimo placer que muchos aplauden nuestros cuentos masónicos y ven el propósito triple que perseguimos, de entretener a nuestros lectores, incubar verdades y enseñanzas masónicas y dar a nuestros lectores en el extranjero y a algunos en Filipinas, una idea más correcta y mejor del pueblo de este hermoso país y de sus ideales. La experiencia nos ha demostrado que la propaganda abierta y ruidosa no es tan eficaz como la disimulada y suave. A ésta prestan oído hasta los que se niegan a escuchar aquélla.

Anunciamos con mucha satisfacción que nuestros cuentos han guctado en América y que una casa editorial de Nueva York nos ha pedido toda la colección para publi-

carla en forma de libro cuando se ofrezca la primera oportunidad. En este número empezamos un cuento nuevo titulado "The Gavel," el cual, aunque es ficción, está basado hasta cierto punto en viajes y experiencias del autor lo que suele contribuir al valor de una obra de esta clase.

El Segundo Gran Vigilante de Inspección

Acaba de volver de Negros el Il. Hmno. Stanton Youngberg, Director de la Oficina de Zootecnia. Dice que visitó a las Logias Kanlaon No. 64, en Bacod, y Elisha Ward Wilbur No. 101, en Victorias, y que encontró a los Hermanos de allí muy ocupados por la zafra. Esto no obstante, pudo reunir a un número considerable de los Masones de la región y hablar con ellos sobre los problemas que tienen que resolver.

De la Logia Sinukuan No. 16

La Logia Sinukuan celebró su tenida de instalación en el Templo Plaridel el 17 de enero, 1930, y recibió en dicha ocasión la visita del Muy Il. Gran Maestre, Hmno. Seldon W. O'Brien. El Il. Hmno. Miguel Unson hizo las veces de Oficial Instalador y el Hmno. Rafael R. Alunan las de Maestro de Ceremonias. Se pronunciaron discursos por el nuevo Venerable Maestro, Hmno. Filemón Pérez, y el Muy Il. Gran Maestre, Hmno. Seldon W. O'Brien. Las ceremonias fueron seguidas de un baile muy ameno y brillante. Los nuevos dignatarios y oficiales de la Logia Sinukuan son los siguientes: Ven. Maestro, Filemon Pérez; Primer Vigilante, Heraclio T. Mangay; Segundo Vigilante, Lorenzo Súnico; Tesorero, Juan Feliciano; Sec., Potenciano Herrera; Capellán, Luis Antonio; M. de Ceremonias, Alfredo S. Herrera; Primer Diácono, Emilio Lasam; Segundo Diácono, Porfirio Domingo; Primer Experto, Honorato P. Trinos; Segundo Experto, Godofredo M. Kalangi; Organista, Florencio Gavino y Guarda Templo, Juan R. Evaristo.

De la Logia Rizal No. 22, Manila

El 12 de febrero del corriente, todos los Miembros de la Logia Rizal No. 22, M. L. y A., se reunieron en un *salo-salo* fraternal en la Pancitería Asia, para celebrar la alegría que embarga sus corazones con motivo de las recientes merecidísimas promociones a distintos cargos en la vida profana y masónica de los Hmnos. M. A. Albert y Dionisio de Leon, como Jueces de Primera Instancia, Angel S. Argüelles, Director auxiliar de la Oficina de Ciencias, Antonio de las Alas, P.M., Speaker pro-tempore de la Cámara de Representantes, Vicente Carmona, P.M., Gran Maestre de la Gran Logia de M. L. y A., I. F., y M. Guevara, P.M., Segundo Gran Diácono, G. L. de M. L. y A., I. F. Entre los concurrentes estuvieron el Muy Ilustre Hmno. Teodoro M. Kalaw, P.G.M., Ilustre Hmno. Miguel Unson, P.G.M.D., Ven. Hmno. M. X. Burgos, Jr., P.M., Ven. Hmno. C. Layoc, P.M., los Hmnos. Arsenio N. Luz, Juan M. Arellano, R. Reinoso, V.M., Tomás B. Morato, Dr. M. V. Argüelles, V. G. Manalo I. Weinstein, L. Masur, L. Montilla y otros cuyos nombres si se mencionan ocuparán bastante espacio en esta columna.

En la última junta general de la Asociación de Empleados Civiles de Filipinas, Inc., han sido elegidos Presidente y Vice-Presidente de la misma, los Hmnos. Rosendo Reinoso, P.M., y Francisco Zamora, P.M., respectivamente.

El Hmno. Francisco Zamora que fué nombrado también secretario y pagador de la última avanzada de la Comisión de Independencia, salió para Washington, D.C., a bordo del *President Jefferson* en su último viaje del 1.º del actual. Estará ausente por unos tres meses.

El Hmno. Rufo M. San Juan, que ha ido a pasar una corta temporada de vacaciones al lado de los suyos, en Puerto Princesa, Palawan, volverá dentro de algunos días.

Con la llegada del Yacht *Apo* ha vuelto a reanudar sus actividades en la Logia, el Hmno. Federico Panganiban, que comanda dicho barco a bordo del cual viajaron los distinguidos miembros de la Comisión del Opio.

De la Logia Cabanatuan No. 53, Cabanatuan, N. E.

La tenida extraordinaria celebrada por la Logia Cabanatuan No. 53 en honor al Muy Ilustre Hmno. Vicente Carmona, Gran Maestre de M. L. y A. de las Islas Filipinas, y dedicada a las Logias Nueva Ecija No. 73 y Memorial No. 90, el 14 de Febrero, fué un éxito completo. De Manila habían venido, además del Muy Il. Hmno. Vicente Carmona, el Muy Ven. Hmno. Kamon Mendoza, el Il. Hmno. Antonio Gonzalez, los Ven. Hmnos. E. del Rosario Tan Kiang, Joaquín García, Mariano Chico, Joseph Ramos, Aurelio D. Rosario, Escolástico Gatmaitan, A. Rivera y algunos otros. Unos doscientos Hermanos presenciaron la exaltación al grado sublime de Maestro Masón del Hmno. Shue Paak

Lau, que se verificó en el hermoso Templo de la Logia Cabanatuan por un *team* especial compuesto de los siguientes Venerables y Venerables pasados: Ven. Maestro (1.a Parte), Ven. Her. Vicente Orosa (53); Ven. Maestro (2.a Parte), Ven. Her. Marceliano Hidalgo (90); Primer Vigilante, Her. Sotero F. Caodac (99); Segundo Vigilante, Ven. Her. Felino Villasán (73); Tesorero y Exhortador, Ven. Her. Fernando Buesego (53); Secretario, Ven. Her. Vicente Lopez (53); Capellán, Ven. Her. José V. Cruz (73); Maestro de Ceremonias, Ven. Her. Ricardo S. Nilo (73); Primer Diácono, Ven. Her. Emilio Cabrera (73); Segundo Diácono, Ven. Her. Apolonio Fuertes (90); Primer Experto, Ven. Her. Ruperto Joson (73); Segundo Experto, Ven. Her. Mariano M. Ilano (69); R. R., Ven. Her. Ricardo S. Nilo (73), Ven. Her. Vicente Orosa (53) y Ven. Her. José V. Cruz (73); Comps., Ven. Her. Mariano M. Ilano (69) y Ven. Her. Felino Villasán (73); Cam. y Mar., Ven. Her. Ruperto Joson (73); Guarda Templo, Ven. Her. Simplicio Ocampo (53).

Va sin decir que los trabajos se hicieron en forma excelente. Se pronunciaron discursos por el Muy Il. Gran Maestro y algunos otros Hermanos distinguidos, y se sirvió un excelente *lunch* a los Hermanos presentes.

De la Logia Makawiwili No 55, Capiz

La instalación de los dignatarios y oficiales de la Logia Makawiwili No. 55 se verificó el Lunes, 6 de Enero. La tenida empezó a las 5 de la tarde para exaltar al Compañero Santiago So Han Diat. A las siete se sirvió una cena, y a las ocho, el Ven. Hmno. Guillermo Y. Jimenez, asistido por el Hmno. Leopoldo Azarraga, instaló a los nuevos dignatarios y oficiales. Se pronunciaron discursos por el Orador, Hmno. Rufo Arcenas, y por el Ven. Hmno. Ceferino Sevilla, Venerable saliente y entrante a la vez por haber sido elegido para ocupar de nuevo la veneranda de la Logia. Los nuevos dignatarios y oficiales son los siguientes: Ceferino Sevilla, Venerable Maestro; Frederick W. Meyer, Primer Vigilante; Felix G. Martinez, Segundo Vigilante; Gregorio Orosco, Tesorero; Carlos Quimpo, Secretario; Rufo Arcenas, Capellán y Orador; Iluminado Villarruz, Maestro de Ceremonias; Restituto Santillana, Primer Diácono; Kiong Chong Eng, Segundo Diácono; Jovito V. Engojo, Primer Experto; Pedro Inserto, Segundo Experto; José M. Becares, Guarda-Templo.

De la Logia Isla de Luzon No. 57

En la tenida ordinaria celebrada en la noche del día 6 de Febrero, el Muy Ilustre ex-Gran Maestro Rafael Palma, miembro honorario de esta Logia, pronunció una conferencia altamente instructiva, estando presente un centenar de Masones de Manila y provincias limítrofes. El ilustre conferenciante fué calurosamente felicitado por los Hermanos presentes entre los cuales se hallaba el Muy Ilustre Hmno. Vicente Carmona, Gran Maestro de M. L. y A. de las Islas Filipinas. El Venerable Maestro de la Logia Isla de Luzon No. 57, Hmno. Ramon Mendoza, Gran Secretario auxiliar, está dando los pasos necesarios para tener otra conferencia en uno de los meses venideros.

Piezas de Arquitectura

La Obra de la Francmasonería

Antiguamente se usaba la palabra "Fraternidad", para designar ciertas asociaciones que pertenecían a la Iglesia Católica Romana y que fueron sostenidas para fines religiosos. Más tarde, este nombre fué aplicado a otras asociaciones, entre ellas la Francmasonería.

La Fraternidad lleva consigo la verdadera hermandad, el amor y la verdad.

No puede concebirse un miembro de la Orden Masónica, que no inspire sus obras en un espíritu de Amor Fraternal y que no se ajuste a un principio de verdad. ¡Craso error el de aquellos hermanos que se sienten masones únicamente en el seno de las logias, y que al separarse de aquel ambiente de paz y de armonía, se creen relevados de inspirar sus actos en un espíritu de fraternidad, olvidando las enseñanzas que recibieron en la noche de su iniciación!

El verdadero masón no olvida su juramento, y practica en el mundo profano las hermosas virtudes de nuestra institución. Aquél que se siente desligado del compromiso moral que prometió cumplir ante el ara y vuelva la espalda o desdeña a quien ha menester de su ayuda, no comprende la Masonería ni hace honor a la Orden, que al recibirlo en sus brazos, lo creyó capaz de ser un hermano que practicara la Fraternidad.

Y es que, hay masones que no responden a los sublimes principios de la Masonería, y circunscriben sus actuaciones a los ritos y ceremonias que se llevan a cabo en el Taller, y, al abandonar aquel recinto, dejan allí la blanca vestidura del masón para volver a ceñirse el ropaje del profano.

Ser masón, en el recto sentido de la palabra, es practicar las virtudes que nos inculcaron cuando por primera vez vimos la luz masónica; es prestigiar la Orden que nos cobija con su clámide augusta; es tener fe en la virtualidad de nuestros principios, y actuar en la vida social profana, como lo hacemos en la vida del Taller, ya que por algo predicamos las excelencias de nuestra Institución y nos sentimos orgullosos de ser elementos capaces de sacrificios en bien de la Humanidad.

El hecho de pertenecer a una logia, de asistir a las tenidas y haber visto la luz de la Masonería, no significa que seamos masones. Hay mucho camino que recorrer para que seamos verdaderos masones. Sin la Fraternidad, sin el elevado espíritu de justicia, sin el amor al hermano, sin la fe en el porvenir de nuestra Orden, que tiende a unir a la Humanidad en una sola familia, no puede concebirse un masón, ya que estas características son indispensables para ostentar el título de miembro de la Hermandad.

El Código Masónico, saturado de bellísimas enseñanzas, compendia brevemente los deberes que estamos llamados a cumplir; y nuestras liturgias nos ponen de manifiesto en elocuentes frases, lo que somos en la vida masónica y cómo debemos dirigir nuestros pasos en el mundo profano. Los eslabones simbólicos de la gran cadena masónica deben ser del mismo temple, para evitar que puedan quebrarse en un momento dado. Esa cadena representa la cohesión que debe existir entre todos los hermanos, y que fuera ilusoria, si no la sostiene la Fraternidad.

Buscamos la causa de estos males, y en muchos casos aparecen en la falta de estudio detenido de lo que significa la Orden Masónica; en el hecho frecuente de que, no conociendo las enseñanzas de la Masonería, ni el significado de su simbolismo, abandonan algunos hermanos el Taller, y con él la instrucción que les ha de servir de guía, llegando de este modo a ser masones que figuran en el Cuadro, pero que nada significan en el grupo de los masones verdaderos.

Bien sería que nos ocupáramos de remediar males como éste. No es justo que laboren los menos y que el resultado beneficie a los menos y a los más.

Iniciemos una campaña de instrucción masónica intensa; que los hermanos encargados de llevar a los Talleres, las enseñanzas de nuestra Hermandad, no descansen en el desempeño de su noble misión, para que la familia masónica llegue a la finalidad para la cual ha sido creada, que no es otra que unir a la familia humana en un ambiente de verdadera Fraternidad.—(De la revista "Acacia", San Juan, P.R.)

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La pluma es todo. Rayo que vibra, fuerza demolidora, puñal que hiere o látigo que fustiga. Es arrullo de nido, cántico de palma; es queja de angustia o grito de rebelión. Lo expresa y lo canta todo, y no hay para ella armonías secretas, verdad oculta o misterios indescifrables.

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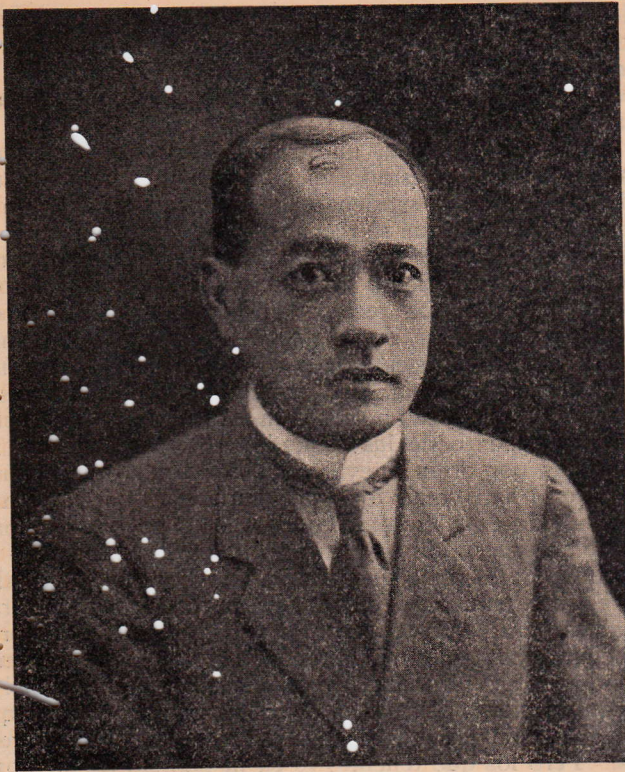
Manejada por el servil que medra, es adulación rastreada que brota para ensalzar al prócer, y súplica degradante que pide pan.

Dirigida por almas fuertes, por almas nobles, la pluma es himno de la grandeza y toque solemne que vibra anunciando el encón. Ed humo de incienso que sube al cielo, plegaria augusta que pide por esclavos miserias, voz que electriza al pueblo y tormenta que estalla en la inmensidad.—José Mata (en Revista Telefónica Cubana).

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Otra vez más nos hemos reunido para considerar los problemas que afectan a la Masonería de las Islas y los progresos alcanzados por nuestra institución durante el último año y renovar nuestra fidelidad hacia aquellos principios fundamentales que han constituido siempre la piedra angular de la Masonería.

Desde que los progresos de la maquinaria y de la ciencia han influido en la vida social y económica de los pueblos, el mundo ha vivido en constante perturbación e inquietud, haciendo experimentos con nuevas maquinarias en el orden industrial, con nuevas teorías de gobierno y legislación en el orden político, con nuevas normas de conducta y acción en el orden doméstico y social, con nuevas verdades y teorías en el orden científico e intelectual. Ha habido una constante renovación y reajuste de valores e ideales para los hombres y las naciones. Los augures del desastre natu-

ralmente pintan a nuestro siglo como un buque desarbolado por la tormenta. Olvidado de Dios, sin ninguna orientación navega directa y fatalmente hacia el abismo. Desde que se perdieron los frenos de la religión no se han podido encontrar otros que los sustituyeran con ventaja para dirigir la conducta del hombre y de la sociedad. El individuo vive en el mayor desenfreno, sin respeto a la ley divina o humana. Los hijos se rebelan contra sus padres y la autoridad parental no es más que un mito. El ambiente social está preñado de rebeldía, de deserción, de anarquía, que si no se remedia a tiempo, ha de dar al traste con toda esta prodigiosa civilización tan costosamente levantada por nuestros progenitores.

Me parece que este cuadro tan recargado de sombríos colores está muy lejos de interpretar y describir el espíritu verdadero de nuestro siglo. No ha desaparecido la religión ni siquiera ha disminuído en intensidad y fervor. Ha cambiado solamente de forma pero la sustancia permanece intacta. La religión antes de ahora se fundaba en el instinto del temor, en la estupefacción que producía al hombre la naturaleza que no conocía. En medio de las destructoras fuerzas que veía a su alrededor en el mundo visible, se sentía desfallecido y no pensaba más que en aplacarlas. El mundo invisible lo creía poblado de espíritus hostiles y dañosos. Dios en su sentido más espiritual era alguien que hacía sufrir al hombre por sus pecados en esta vida y le sometía a tormentos eternos en la otra.

La religión ha dejado de ser un instrumento de terror: se ha convertido en lo que debía haber sido siempre, en una influencia bienhechora de lo Divino sobre el mundo y la marcha de los asuntos humanos para purificar nuestra alma de los malos hábitos, ennoblecer nuestros pensamientos e inspirarnos para realizar las acciones más heroicas y los más altos ejemplos. El hombre del día no es menos religioso porque no se vista siempre el traje de domingo y no asista con regularidad a las funciones de la Iglesia. Es que ha aprendido que en su propio corazón hay un templo donde puede orar y bendecir a Dios a todas horas. Dios no le llena ya de supersticioso terror, sino que le inspira confianza y amor como a padre y creador. Por esto en vez de figurarse a Dios constantemente irritado contra él por sus culpas y pecados le siente como un espíritu amoroso y alentador que está a su lado y le ayuda a investigar y estudiar la causa de sus propias debilidades y miserias con el fin de remediarlas. Se ha convencido de que Dios no le ha puesto en la tierra para cantar constantemente las alabanzas y grandezas de Dios, cosa de que éste no necesita, sino para trabajar y hacer el mundo mejor de como él lo ha encontrado al principio.

Dios es un Enigma impenetrable y la única manera de conocerle, de aproximarnos a Él, es estudiar sus obras y sus leyes como si la Naturaleza fuese un gran libro abierto que está a la vista y que Él ha puesto a nuestro alcance para que

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mediante el estudio y la investigación podemos aprender el secreto de vivir en paz y felicidad. El hombre ha pretendido en vano llegar al conocimiento de la naturaleza de Dios y siempre que lo ha hecho no ha conseguido más que perderse en un dédalo de contradicciones y absurdos. Lo peor es que el hombre al intentar crear a Dios a su imagen y semejanza ha dividido a los pueblos y naciones y ha dado lugar a las más sangrientas guerras religiosas provocadas por el fanatismo y la intolerancia. El mundo aún en nuestros días no se ha librado de la hostilidad y rencor originados por causa de la diversa interpretación que cada religión ha dado de la persona de Dios y de sus designios sobre el hombre y el planeta.

La Masonería, por eso, no desentraña la idea de Dios sino que reconoce simplemente Su existencia. Él es el Supremo Arquitecto que ha dado leyes al mundo físico y al espiritual, y extiende su favor y ayuda a todas las criaturas y a todas las razas no reconociendo distinciones y diferencias, por causa de su religión, entre el Hindu y el Judío, el Cristiano y el Mahometano, el Protestante y el Católico.

En la misma forma que la concepción de Dios es menos antropomórfica y la religión es más individualista, la familia ha adoptado una nueva forma, desintegrándose sus elementos constituyentes del núcleo original de que formaban parte. En lo antiguo la familia estaba absorbida por la autoridad del padre o esposo. Él era el centro de gravedad del sistema. Los hijos y la esposa apenas tenían individualidad. Ahora el centro de gravedad ha pasado de los padres a los hijos. Los padres tienen deberes y responsabilidades para con sus hijos por el hecho de que éstos han venido al mundo por el placer y el gusto de sus padres. No sólo a los hijos sino también a la esposa se les va concediendo derechos y privilegios derivados de la idea de que tienen individualidad separada.

Lo mismo, la concepción del Estado va haciéndose más atomística. Antiguamente el rey o jefe de estado era soberano y en él residía la autoridad entera de la nación.

Todos los demás individuos eran meros vasallos o súbditos suyos y aún aquellos que ejercían funciones elevadas de estado, lo hacían por delegación del monarca. Hoy el individuo es el señor del Estado y delega su poder en funcionarios que él elige.

Así se ve, que todas nuestras instituciones fundamentales, la familia, el estado, el gobierno y la religión han cambiado de forma siguiendo las inexorables leyes de la evolución. Desde que se reconoció la doctrina de la libertad individual que manumitió la conciencia y el pensamiento humano, las instituciones establecidas para el servicio del hombre tuvieron que recibir la sacudida inevitable del nuevo orden de cosas, de un nuevo sistema. Lo que unos toman por descomposición de la actual sociedad, por signos de rebeldía y anarquía, por corrupción de costumbres y maneras de la juventud no son otra cosa más que los afectos del aniquilamiento de las verdades antiguas que son reemplazadas por otras nuevas. Es nada más que natural que los que han creído que las verdades bajo las cuales habían vivido eran inmutables; que los usos y costumbres que habían practicado eran inmejorables; que las reglas de lo bueno y de lo malo que habían considerado apropiadas para el mantenimiento del antiguo orden de cosas eran aplicables, para todos los tiempos y lugares sufran dolor y decepción al ver nuevas prácticas y usos que están reemplazando los de su tiempo y pronuncien como definitivo el desquiciamiento de nuestra sociedad simplemente porque está regida por verdades y doctrinas para ellos incomprensibles. Pero los que tenemos fe en la bondad de la providencia divina, en el constante progreso de la raza y en los destinos de la libertad humana, no debemos desconfiar de que la humanidad saldrá mejorada y triunfante de esta prueba y que el presente malestar e inestabilidad de creencias e instituciones conducirán finalmente a una sana y fructífera renovación, tanto material como moral y espiritual del mundo.

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pretenden la restauración del antiguo orden de cosas es tachar a nuestro siglo de materialista, como si el materialismo fuera algo que desdijera de la naturaleza del hombre e impidiera su florecimiento espiritual. El materialismo en sí no es malo. El hombre está sometido a las leyes de la materia, de las cuales no puede escapar. Si entendemos por materialismo el natural deseo de vivir confortablemente, de acumular riquezas y bienes materiales, de disfrutar de los goces y beneficios de la civilización, tenemos motivos para enorgullecernos y bendecir esta era del materialismo. La historia del progreso ha sido escrita, gracias al esfuerzo del hombre de disfrutar de la vida y dominar el mundo material aprovechándose de las fuerzas de la naturaleza para someterlas a su uso y servicio. Desde la domesticación de animales y el primitivo sistema de irrigación, pasando por la máquina de hilar, la locomotora y el vapor, hasta el radio y el aeroplano de nuestros días, ¡qué serie de maravillas ha contemplado el ojo humano! El hombre no ha cesado de inventar y construir sacando siempre el mayor partido posible de los dones naturales. Cada invención, cada nuevo aparato ha significado en muchos casos economía de tiempo y trabajo; en otros, un aumento de valor y utilidad de las cosas, y en todos un incremento de goce y bienestar del hombre sobre la tierra.

No podemos dar bastantes gracias a Dios por la merced de habernos hecho vivir en un siglo repleto de prodigios y asombrosos descubrimientos. La ciencia y la invención han dominado las profundidades de los mares y las alturas del espacio, han puesto a nuestro alcance el aire y la electricidad para producir luz, calor y fuerza motriz, para oír y hacernos oír a largas distancias y han hecho de la humanidad una realidad viviente, un solo cuerpo y una sola alma por la contracción de los linderos del planeta y la multiplicación de los medios de contacto entre gobiernos y pueblos.

Pero estas conquistas de orden material no han servido para satisfacer las necesidades materiales del hombre solamente sino también sus goces morales y espirituales. Hay

una relación íntima e inexorable entre el orden material y el espiritual. No hay ningún principio de contradicción o antagonismo entre los dos. El progreso material conduce inevitablemente al progreso espiritual. Por eso, precisamente por razón del mayor dominio que el hombre ha alcanzado sobre la materia ha sido posible para el mundo enriquecer su herencia espiritual haciendo partícipes a todos sus ciudadanos del disfrute de las cosas más finas y elevadas de la vida. Así, por ejemplo, el goce de la instrucción, del entrenamiento intelectual, de la lectura y de los viajes estaban reservados antiguamente a las clases privilegiadas. Hoy esos beneficios alcanzan a todo el mundo. Las clases obreras consideradas desde la antigüedad como destituidas de fortuna y privilegios han obtenido en nuestro tiempo derechos que jamás soñaran alcanzar, como el jornal mínimo, las ocho horas de trabajo, los seguros o indemnización por accidentes. Nunca como en nuestros tiempos se ha puesto más empeño en la educación popular, en ningún tiempo se han destinado por los gobiernos más recursos y facilidades para mejorar la salud y bienestar de las masas y aliviar los infortunios y desgracias públicas. A pesar de cuanto se diga contra el espíritu de avaricia y explotación de los ricos y millonarios nunca, como en estos tiempos, ha habido de parte de ellos más caridad, más espíritu de filantropía y humanitarismo como lo evidencia el sostenimiento de establecimientos de caridad, y beneficencia, de escuelas y hospitales privados, de bibliotecas e institutos de *research*, todo cuanto puede contribuir al refinamiento de la civilización y ahorrar miserias y sufrimientos a la humanidad.

No, nuestra civilización no está tocada de ruina y decadencia; por el contrario va camino de un mayor desenvolvimiento de las riquezas de la materia y de las bellezas del espíritu, hacia un mayor esfuerzo de armonía y conciliación de los diversos elementos que han estado en pugna y conflicto por largos siglos. No hay más que ver el progreso que se va obteniendo en el mejoramiento de las relaciones internacionales. La humanidad está cansada de

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Una deliciosa mañana de abril, fuí, en compañía de algunos amigos, a trepar por una de las colinas que rodean la ciudad de Baguio. Allí fuí para escapar por algunas horas de la rutina de la civilización y recibir la honda inspiración que emana de las colosales obras, fabricadas por la mano maestra del Creador en la inmensidad de los espacios. Al llegar a la cima divisé un magnífico espectáculo de imborrable belleza. A un lado, Baguio se erguía soberbia y gloriosa, enseñando a la tibia luz de la mañana la gracia de su laguna artificial, las agujas de las torres de su iglesias, la sonrisa de sus terrazas y jardines, el hervor y animación de sus calles. Al otro lado, el valle de Trinidad dormido en la sombra y la inocencia de los tiempos idílicos, perdido en la insignificancia de su pobre caserío de nipa, de sus huertas de frutas y vegetales.

Los dos pueblos presentaban a mi vista un contraste singular. Baguio demostraba el poder creativo del hombre, la marcha de la civilización, el triunfo del materialismo de

nuestra época. Baguio hace apenas veinticinco años era más insignificante que Trinidad. No era más que una rancharía de pobres igorotes donde la vida se desperezaba en un largo bostezo de aburrimiento y soledad. El ruido y las batallas de la vida no se oían allí, sólo el rumor y suspiro de sus árboles de pino que se levantaban gigantes en sus valles y colinas. En un corto tiempo increíble Baguio vino a la vida, el poder y esfuerzo del hombre sacudiéndola de su largo letargo y aislamiento. En lugar de unas cuantas casas de igorotes, esparcidas aquí y allá, tenemos ahora suntuosos edificios del gobierno, salones públicos, admirables parques y jardines, templos y escuelas, academias, mansiones y villas privadas, cuajadas de panoramas y flores en perpetuo estallido de aromas y colores, una sección comercial activa, caminos perfectos y blancas y serpenteantes avenidas, que brillan al sol de la mañana y hacen de Baguio una ciudad verdaderamente asombrosa: la alegría y el orgullo de nuestro país.

La naturaleza mejorada, embellecida y enriquecida por la mano del hombre: ese es Baguio. En él está la imagen de nuestra civilización. No es ya el hombre, que se somete y se entrega a las fuerzas brutas de la Naturaleza que le parecen a él superiores e invencibles, sino el hombre nuevo, impávido, desafiador, triunfante que con la ayuda de su genio constructivo guía las fuerzas que están a su alrededor, utilizándolas para las necesidades siempre crecientes de su vida y de su civilización. No es ya el hombre, simple criatura de su ambiente sino el hombre conquistador, constructor, trabajador, insaciable en su afán de bienestar, tanteando siempre en la sombra, en busca de la verdad y de la felicidad.

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- Walana No. 13,** 90 Escolta, Manila. W.M., Ramon Samaniego, 931 Trabajo, Manila. S.W., Gregorio A. Vicente. J.W., Canuto S. Nadurata. Treasurer, Ricardo T. Grande. Secretary, Dionisio F. Alejandro, P. O. Box 2901, Manila. Stated Meetings, Second Saturday.
- Delisay No. 14,** 520 San Marcelino, Manila. W.M., Esteban Muñarriz, P.M., 9 Fernandez, San Juan, Rizal. S.W., Mateo D. Cipriano, P.M. J.W., Victorino Esguerra. Treasurer, Ong Sin Gee. Secretary, Santiago Gatchalian, P.M., 7 Lupa, Int., Manila. Stated Meetings, Second Saturday.
- Pilar No. 15,** Imus, Cavite. W.M., Meliton Darvin, P.M., Paco Intermediate School, Manila. S.W., Manuel de Leon. J.W., Tiburcio Gayo. Treasurer, Mariano Dominguez. Secretary, Marciano Sayoc, P. O. Box 615, Manila. Stated Meeting, First Saturday.
- Sinukuan No. 16,** 520 San Marcelino, Manila. W.M., Filemon Perez, Ayuntamiento, Manila. S.W., Heradio T. Mangay. J.W., Lorenzo Sunico. Treasurer, Juan Feliciano. Secretary, Potenciano Herrera, P.M., 1533 Sande, Tondo, Manila. Stated Meetings, Third Wednesday.
- Bagong-Buhay No. 17,** San Roque, Cavite. W.M., Andrés de Leon, P. O. Box 26, Cavite, Cavite. S.W., Pedro R. Santos. J.W., Francisco Llamado. Treasurer, Salvador Magcawas. Secretary, Manuel del Carmen, P.M., P. O. Box 26, Cavite, Cavite. Stated Meetings, Second Saturday.
- Araw No. 18,** 527 Alvarado, Binondo, Manila. W.M., Diego Locsin, P.M., Bureau of Justice, Manila. S.W., Augusto Piccio. J.W., Anastacio Uy Mochay. Treasurer, Yu Siu Tek. Secretary, Francisco Sevilla, P. O. Box 2159, Manila. Stated Meetings, First Saturday.
- Silanganan No. 19,** Pasig, Rizal. W.M., Silvino Gallardo, Bureau of Customs, Manila. S.W., Castor P. Cruz. J.W., Alonso Gatuslao. Treasurer, Pedro C. Jabson, P.M. Secretary, David S. Santos, San Felipe Neri, Rizal. Stated Meetings, First Saturday.
- Rizal No. 20,** Lopez, Tayabas. W.M., Victor Oblesias, Lopez, Tayabas. S.W., Marcos Malabanan. J.W., Simon C. Pasamba. Treasurer, Hipolito E. Valena. Secretary, Domingo Villaseñor, Lopez, Tayabas. Stated Meetings, Last Saturday.
- Dapitan No. 21,** 520 San Marcelino, Manila. W.M., Macario Peralta, 202 China Bank Bldg., Manila. S.W., Temistocles Elviña. J.W., Felix Z. Ledda. Treasurer, Tomas Tan Eng Chiu. Secretary, Inocentes Villegas, Pu. of Non-Christian Tribes, Manila. Stated Meetings, Second Friday.
- Rizal No. 22,** 520 San Marcelino, Manila. W.M., Rosendo Reinoso, Bu. of Public Works, Manila. S.W., Angel S. Arguelles. J.W., Rulo M. San Juan. Treasurer, Luis Montilla. Secretary, José V. Marifio, P. O. Box 153, Manila. Stated Meetings, First Wednesday.
- Solidaridad No. 23,** 520 San Marcelino, Manila. W.M., Ricardo San Agustin, P.M., 2036 Rizal Ave., Manila. S.W., Enrique Teótico, P.M. J.W., Juan A. del Rosario, R.M. Treasurer, Emilio Pestaño, P.M. Secretary, David Baltazar, 1027 San Marcelino, Manila. Stated Meetings, Third Thursday.
- Banahaw No. 24,** Atimonan, Tayabas. W.M., Pedro P. Diaz, Atimonan, Tayabas. S.W., Eleuterio Lim Seng Guan. J.W., Vicente Orda Ortiz. Treasurer, Victor M. Degracia. Secretary, Enrique D. Epino, Atimonan, Tayabas. Stated Meetings, First Saturday.
- Malinasaw No. 25,** San Pablo, Laguna. W.M., Restituto Briñas, San Pablo, Laguna. S.W., Julio Alvero. J.W., Irineo Exconde. Treasurer, Melanio Valdellon. Secretary, Feliciano F. Exconde, P.M., San Pablo, Laguna. Stated Meetings, Second Saturday.
- Pinagbabayan No. 26,** Santa Cruz, Laguna. W.M., Juan Calcetas, Santa Cruz, Laguna. S.W., Frmin D. Buan. J.W., Zosimo Fernandez. Treasurer, Nicasio K. Galipot. Secretary, Marciano A. Diaz, Santa Cruz, Laguna. Stated Meetings, First Saturday.
- Batong-Buhay No. 27,** 527 Alvarado, Binondo, Manila. W.M., Eduardo del Rosario Tan King, P.M., 615 T. Alonzo, Manila. S.W., Arturo G. Cayetano. J.W., Mariano Sia. Treasurer, Eugenio Dizon, P.M. Secretary, Enrique Gaerlan, 1413 Azcarraga, Manila. Stated Meetings, Second Thursday.
- Ralmawak No. 28,** Gumaca, Tayabas. W.M., Arsenio Natividad, Lucena, Tayabas. S.W., Romualdo Librandia. J.W., Felipe de Leon. Treasurer, Mariano Enriquez. Secretary, Victoriano A. Tanafranca, P.M., Gumaca, Tayabas. Stated Meetings, Second Saturday.
- Zapote No. 29,** Rosario, Cavite. W.M., Lucio Crudo, 1060 Santol, Manila. S.W., Pablo Itagar. J.W., Maximino Beltran. Treasurer, Jacinto N. Beltran, P.M. Secretary, Miguel Bonifacio, P.M., P. O. Box 2343, Manila. Stated Meetings, Third Saturday.
- Maktan No. 30,** Cebu, Cebu. W.M., Damaso Leyson, P. O. Box 507, Cebu, Cebu. S.W., Heny Gasser. J.W., Pedro Licuanan. Treasurer, Go Chan. Secretary, Ricardo Ponce, P. O. Box 31, Cebu, Cebu. Stated Meetings, Second Friday.
- Ibarra No. 31,** Kawit, Cavite. W.M., Angel Saqueton, Kawit, Cavite. S.W., Pedro J. Villanueva. J.W., Mariano Manalo. Treasurer, Anselmo O. Diaz. Secretary, Roberto J. Cipriano, Kawit, Cavite. Stated Meetings, Second Saturday.
- Martires del 96 No. 32,** Nagcarlan, Laguna. W.M., Felix Chipongian, Nagcarlan, Laguna. S.W., Dalmacio Monterola. J.W., Rufino Montañano. Treasurer, Fortunato Arban. Secretary, Pablo Arceta, P.M., Nagcarlan, Laguna. Stated Meetings, First Monday.
- Isarog No. 33,** Naga, Camarines Sur. W.M., Ernest Schaffner, P.M., Naga Camarines Sur. S.W., Santiago Rodrigo, P.M. J.W., Rufino A. Serranzana. Treasurer, José Dy Liacco. Secretary, Paulo Elisán, Naga, Camarines Sur. Stated Meetings, Second Friday.
- Lincoln No. 34,** Olongapo, Zambales. W.M., Doroteo F. Bala, P. O. Box 50, Olongapo, Zambales. S.W., Valeriano E. Abad. J.W., Foo Ying. Treasurer, Gabriel M. Cabaling. Secretary, Vicente Escota, P. O. Box 40, Olongapo, Zambales. Stated Meetings, First Saturday.
- Batangas No. 35,** Batangas, Batangas. W.M., Antonino Barrion, Batangas, Batangas. S.W., Daniel Laurel. J.W., Marciano Evangelista. Treasurer, Gerardo Aguado. Secretary, Perfecto Condes, Batangas, Batangas. Stated Meetings, Third Saturday.
- Kalilayan No. 37,** Lucena, Tayabas. W.M., Federico M. Unson, P.M., Lucena, Tayabas. S.W., Ariston Solis. J.W., Eligio Magallanes. Treasurer, M. S. Ginainati. Secretary, Julian Garcia, P.M., Lucena, Tayabas. Stated Meetings, Last Saturday.
- Bulusan No. 38,** Sorsogon, Sorsogon. W.M., Pedro R. Almonte, P.M., Sorsogon, Sorsogon. S.W., Maximo Berifa. J.W., Hermenegildo E. Encinas. Treasurer, Liao Sen Lay. Secretary, José E. de Vera, P.M., Sorsogon, Sorsogon. Stated Meetings, First Wednesday.
- Mabini No. 39,** Aparri, Cagayan. W.M., Henry Becker, Aparri, Cagayan. S.W., Candido Valera. J.W., Cecilio N. Ascaño. Treasurer, Federico M. Chua Hiong. Secretary, Valentin Aguineldo, Aparri, Cagayan. Stated Meetings, Second Saturday.
- Maguindanao No. 40,** Cagayan, Misamis. W.M., Antonio T. Cosin, P.M., Tagoloan, Misamis. S.W., Máximo Suniel. J.W., José Quirólgico. Treasurer, Go Ana. Secretary, Primo Santiago, Cagayan, Misamis. Stated Meetings, First Thursday.
- Minerva No. 41,** 520 San Marcelino, Manila. W.M., John C. Hart, Plaza Lunch, Sta. Cruz, Manila. S.W., William S. Abel. J.W., Albert M. Easthand. Treasurer, Ignacio Chuidian. Secretary, Juan Atayde, P.M., 104 Gardenia. Stated Meetings, First Thursday.
- Noli-Me-Tangere No. 42,** 520 San Marcelino, Manila. W.M., Alipio H. de la Cruz, Bu. of Comm. and Industry, Manila. S.W., Primitivo Lovina. J.W., Brígido Capili. Treasurer, Filemon José. Secretary, Dionisio San Agustin, P.M., P. O. Box 775, Manila. Stated Meetings, Second Wednesday.
- Tayabas No. 43,** Tayabas, Tayabas. W.M., José V. Martinez, P.M., Tayabas, Tayabas. S.W., Simeon San Agustin, P.M., J.W., Victor Aragon. Treasurer, Gaudencio Zaballa. Secretary, Luis Pineda, P.M., Tayabas, Tayabas. Stated Meetings, First Thursday.
- Charleson No. 44,** Agaña, Guam. W.M., William Henry Notley, Agaña, Guam. M. I. S.W., Charles Edward Bennett. J.W., Ferdinand G. E. Scharff. Treasurer, William Cautier Johnston, P.M. Secretary, Robert Clyde Gibson, P.M., Agaña, Guam. Stated Meetings, Second Monday.
- Mount Apo No. 45,** Zamboanga, Zamboanga. W.M., Patrick J. M. Moore, Zamboanga, P. I. S.W., Marcelo Mendoza, J.W., J. W. Strong. Treasurer, Nicasion Valderrosa. Secretary, Catalino E. Darlucio, Zamboanga, Zamboanga, P. I. Stated Meetings, First Thursday.
- Malolos No. 46,** Malolos, Bulacan. W.M., Remigio V. Bernabe, Malolos, Bulacan. S.W., Mariano Queri. J.W., Juan L. Reyes. Treasurer, Honorato Carlos. Secretary, Meliton Cruz, Malolos, Bulacan. Stated Meetings, First Monday.
- Makabugwas No. 47,** Tacloban, Leyte. W.M., José F. Nana, P. O. Box 33, Tacloban, Leyte. S.W., Mauro G. Rodriguez. J.W., Joaquin L. Panis. Treasurer, Dominador J. Gallardo. Secretary, Pio V. Advincula, P. O. Box 33, Tacloban, Leyte. Stated Meetings, First Saturday.
- Pampanga No. 48,** San Fernando, Pampanga. W.M., José Quinto, 661 Mabolo, Sta. Cruz, Manila. S.W., Quirino Abad Santos. J.W., Amado Pekson. Treasurer, Brígido I. Navarro. Secretary, Basilio Castro, San Fernando, Pampanga. Stated Meetings, Second Saturday.
- Mount Mainam No. 49,** Naic, Cavite. W.M., Matias S. Manalo, P.M., Naic, Cavite. S.W., Juan Hernandez. J.W., Sancho A. Rillo. Treasurer, Pedro V. Poblete. Secretary, Alejandro Joco, P.M., Naic, Cavite. Stated Meetings, First Saturday.
- Sarangani No. 50,** Davao, Davao. W.M., Victoriano de Guzman, Dalião, Davao. S.W., Pedro R. Santos. J.W., Lim Juya. Treasurer, Sergio Salvaleon. Secretary, Telesforo I. Alfelol, Davao, Davao. Stated Meetings, First Friday.
- Pintong-Bato No. 51,** Bacoor, Cavite. W.M., Honorio R. Cuevas, P. O. Box 990, Manila. S.W., Eugenio Padua. J.W., Simeon de Jesus. Treasurer, Higinio Sarino, P.M. Secretary, Tirso Bautista, P. O. Box 990, Manila. Stated Meetings, First Saturday.
- Pinatubo No. 52,** San Antonio, Zambales. W.M., Pedro Madarang, P.M., San Antonio, Zambales. S.W., Leon Afñir. J.W., Julian Farrales. Treasurer, Manuel Arconcel. Secretary, Raymundo Valente, San Antonio, Zambales. Stated Meetings, Second Saturday.
- Cabanatuan No. 52,** Cabanatuan, Nueva Ecija. W.M., Vicente Lopez, Cabanatuan, Nueva Ecija. S.W., Antero Gempesaw, P.M. J.W., Policarpio Armin. Treasurer, Fernando Busuego, P.M. Secretary, Gregorio S. Castelo, Cabanatuan, Nueva Ecija. Stated Meetings, First Friday.
- Filipinas No. 54,** Unisan, Tayabas. W.M., Ramon Vera Cruz, P.M., Panaon, Unisan, Tayabas. S.W., Estanislao Verder, P.M., J.W., Escolastico Romero. Treasurer, Romualdo T. Vargas. Secretary, Leandro Carillo, Unisan, Tayabas. Stated Meetings, First Saturday.
- Makawiwili No. 55,** Capiz, Capiz. W.M., Ceferino Sevilla, P.M., Capiz, Capiz. S.W., Frederick W. Meyer. J.W., Felix G. Martinez. Treasurer, Gregorio Orasco. Secretary, Carlos Quimpo, Capiz, Capiz. Stated Meetings, Third Saturday.
- Pangasinan No. 56,** Dagupan, Pangasinan. W.M., Vicente de Leon, Dagupan, Pangasinan. S.W., Gregorio P. Domagas. J.W., Francisco Aquino. Treasurer, Inocencio de Guzman. Secretary, Emeterio de los Santos, Lingayen, Pangasinan. Stated Meetings, Second Saturday.
- Isla de Luzon No. 57,** 90 Escolta, Manila. W.M., Ramon Mendoza, P.M., P. O. Box 1837, Manila. S.W., Vicente Badillo. J.W., Ambrosio S. Telforoso. Treasurer, Santiago Gochangco. Secretary, José M. E. Leon, J., P. O. Box 1549, Manila. Stated Meetings, First Thursday.
- Marble No. 58,** Romblon, Romblon. W.M., Matias S. Martinez, Romblon, Romblon. S.W., Filomeno Piczon. J.W., Sih Toc Keng. Treasurer, Uy Eng Sio. Secretary, Bonifacio Marrón, Romblon, Romblon. Stated Meetings, Second Saturday.
- Labong No. 59,** Malabon, Rizal. W.M., Rufino Policarpio, c/o Luzon Brokerage Co., Manila. S.W., Guillermo Romero. J.W., Vicente Quijano. Treasurer, Ismael Lopus, P.M. Secretary, Filemon de Guzman, Malabon, Rizal. Stated Meetings, First Saturday.
- Isabela No. 60,** Ilagan, Isabela. W.M., Juan Orellana, P.M., Ilagan, Isabela. S.W., Catalino L. Guillermo, P.M. J.W., Fortunato M. Buan, P.M. Treasurer, Vicente Kanoy, P.M. Secretary, Manuel Alinday, P.M., Ilagan, Isabela. Stated Meetings, First Saturday.
- Mayon No. 61,** Legaspi, Albay. W.M., Lazaro Tani, P.M., Legaspi, Albay. S.W., Ceferino Ramos. J.W., Felipe Manalang. Treasurer, Pedro Salazar. Secretary, Manuel M. Calleja, P.M., Legaspi, Albay. Stated Meetings, First Tuesday.

- Tupas No. 62,** Cebu, Cebu. W.M., Herbert C. V. Booten, P. O. Box 309, Cebu. S.W., George Castro. J.W., Robert M. Miller. Treasurer, D. A. Alfon. P.M. Secretary, Adolph A. Williamson, P.M., P. O. Box 37, Cebu, Cebu. Stated Meetings, Second Tuesday.
- Angulo No. 63,** Vigan, Ilocos Sur. W.M., Andres Baltazar, Vigan, Ilocos Sur. S.W., Mariano R. Montemayor. J.W., Isabelo Ferraren. Treasurer, Paul C. Palencia, P.M. Secretary, Teodato Encarnación, Vigan, Ilocos Sur. Stated Meetings, Third Saturday.
- Canlaon No. 64,** Bacolod, Occidental Negros. W.M., Domingo G. Vallesteros, Bacolod, Occidental Negros. S.W., Irineo Ferraris. J.W., Carlos Dreyfus. Treasurer, Esteban Henares. Secretary, Manuel Garcia, P.M., Bacolod, Occidental Negros. Stated Meetings, Second Saturday.
- Tamaraw No. 65,** Calapan, Mindoro. W.M., Thos. I. Weeks, Calapan, Mindoro. S.W., Sisenando Bugarin. J.W., Leoncio Casañas. Treasurer, Vicente Kasilag. Secretary, Dionisio P. Puriño, Calapan, Mindoro. Stated Meetings, First Monday.
- Gonzaga No. 66,** Tuguegarao, Cagayan. W.M., Ceferino R. Diño, P.M., Tuguegarao, Cagayan. S.W., Lorenzo de Leon. J.W., Cornelio Balangue. Treasurer, Pedro R. Perez. Secretary, Bernardo Pagallawan, Tuguegarao, Cagayan. Stated Meetings, Third Saturday.
- Baguio No. 67,** Baguio Mountain Province. W.M., Ciriaco Z. Cuenco, P.M., Baguio, P. I. S.W., Andrew H. Forrester. J.W., Edilberto Madrid. Treasurer, Emil Speth. Secretary, John Woodson, P.M., Camp John Hay, Baguio, P. I. Stated Meetings, First Wednesday.
- Magat No. 68,** Bayombong, Nueva Vizcaya. W.M., Eulalio H. Dolojan, Bayombong, Nueva Vizcaya. S.W., Joaquin M. Villanueva. J.W., Julio Tugab. Treasurer, Mariano Fernandez. Secretary, Vicente Lumicao, P.M., Bayombong, Nueva Vizcaya. Stated Meetings, First Saturday.
- Primera Luz Filipina No. 69,** Binakayan, Kawit, Cavite. W.M., Lope Sayo, P.M., 1545 Sande, Tondo, Manila. S.W., Filemon de Dios. J.W., Pio M. Jamir. Treasurer, Amado Y. Evangelista. Secretary, Pablo Samson, 1202 A. Rivera, Manila. Stated Meetings, First Saturday.
- Union No. 70,** San Fernando, La Union. W.M., Leoncio R. Salanga, Bauang, La Union. S.W., Aquilino L. Cariño. J.W., Leon C. Flor. Treasurer, Matias S. Parlan. Secretary, Andres B. Rivera, San Fernando, La Union. Stated Meetings, First Saturday.
- Laoag No. 71,** Laoag, Ilocos Norte. W.M., Alberto Suguitan, P.M., Laoag, Ilocos Norte. S.W., Vicente Giron. J.W., Melanio Orbeta. Treasurer, Felicísimo Ruiz. Secretary, Baltazar Aguirre, Laoag, Ilocos Norte. Stated Meetings, Third Saturday.
- Makiling No. 72,** Calamba, Laguna. W.M., José Gonzalez, P.M., Calamba, Laguna. S.W., Juan O. Chicho. J.W., Roberto A. Ruiz. Treasurer, Severino Arambulo. Secretary, Arsenio B. Canicosa, Calamba, Laguna. Stated Meetings, First Saturday.
- Nueva Ecija No. 73,** Quezon, Nueva Ecija. W.M., Ricardo S. Nilo, P.M., Licab, Nueva Ecija. S.W., Pedro Medina. J.W., Ponciano D. Rivera. Treasurer, Martin Villasan. Secretary, Emilio Cabrera, P.M., Quezon, Nueva Ecija. Stated Meetings, First Saturday.
- Plaridel No. 74,** Calauag, Tayabas. W.M., Pedro Pica, P.M., Calauag, Tayabas. S.W., Mamerto P. Epino. J.W., Donato O. Cabañon. Treasurer, Gregorio Orlanda. Secretary, Alejo Entienza, P.M., Calauag, Tayabas. Stated Meetings, First Saturday.
- Agno No. 75,** Tayug, Pangasinan. W.M., Anastacio Abad, Tayug, Pangasinan. S.W., Emilio Naraval. J.W., Eusebio Medina. Treasurer, Fidel B. Paragas. Secretary, Mamerto Cabanayan, San Nicolas, Pangasinan. Stated Meetings, Second Saturday.
- Hantik No. 76,** San José Antique. W.M., Mamerto Portillo, P.M., San José, Antique. S.W., Aniano Tolentino. J.W., Juan Briones. Treasurer, Higinio Villagracia. Secretary, Joaquin Quisumbing, P.M., San Jose, Antique. Stated Meetings, First Saturday.
- Kasilawan No. 77,** 90 Escolta, Manila. W.M., Jose F. Fetalvero, 2363 Juan Luna, Int., Manila. S.W., Delfin C. Medel. J.W., Santiago Salvador. Treasurer, Alejandro E. Sison. Secretary, Manuel M. Agbulos, P.M., P. O. Box 2206 Manila. Stated Meetings, First Tuesday.
- Acacia No. 78,** Iloilo, Iloilo. W.M., Jose J. Jara, Jr., Hongkong Bank, Iloilo. S.W., Wm. Campbell. J.W., Lorenzo P. Porras. Treasurer, Walter E. M. Saul. Secretary, Fernando Ramirez, P.M., P. O. Box 352, Iloilo, Iloilo. Stated Meetings, Second Wednesday.
- Taga-Ilog No. 79,** 90 Escolta, Manila. W.M., Engracio Abasolo, 606 Gov. Forbes, Manila. S.W., José Timbol. J.W., P. C. C. Velasco. Treasurer, Go Ka We. Secretary, José Q. Amon, P.M., P. O. Box 739, Manila. Stated Meetings, First Saturday.
- Mount Lebanon No. 80,** 1132 California, Manila. W.M., Samuel Awad, P. O. Box 1743, Manila. S.W., Robert Key. J.W., Jacob R. Kosh. Treasurer, Motel Goldstein. Secretary, Walter Ruebe, P. O. Box 1824, Manila. Stated Meetings, First Thursday.
- Modestia-Litwayway No. 81,** 520 San Marcelino, Manila. W.M., Eduardo Romero, 87 Int. A. Mabini, Caloocan, Rizal. S.W., Marcial Reyes. J.W., Pedro Nubla. Treasurer, Melecio Abella, P.M. Secretary, Tomás Alfonso, P.M., 735 Kansas Ave., Manila. Stated Meetings, Third Friday.
- High Twelve No. 82,** 90 Escolta, Manila. W.M., Eugenio de la Cruz, 324 Miguelin, Manila. S.W., Fidel Manalo. J.W., Roberto P. Villatuya. Treasurer, Eduardo Go Seteng. Secretary, Gregorio Cariaga, P.M., 2536 M. Natidad, Manila. Stated Meetings, Third Saturday.
- Dagohoy No. 84,** Tagbilaran, Bohol. W.M., Roman F. Tuazon, Tagbilaran, Bohol. S.W., Frank Lombardo. J.W., Emilio Buenaventura, Jr. Treasurer, Jacinto K. Fortich. Secretary, Juan P. Luman, P.M., Tagbilaran, Bohol. Stated Meetings, Second Saturday.
- Luz Océánica No. 85,** 90 Escolta, Manila. W.M., Chua Sy Quiat, 1107 San Fernando, Manila. S.W., José See Yok Peng. J.W., Ricardo Nepomuceno. Treasurer, Cua Ku. Secretary, Andrés Filoteo, P.M., 11 Loreto, Manila. Stated Meetings, First Monday.
- Abra No. 86,** Bangued, Abra. W.M., Leon C. Bañez, Bangued, Abra. S.W., Vivencio C. Casia. J.W., Cayetano Barros. Treasurer, Esteban B. Buenavista. Secretary, Apolinario Caridad, Bangued, Abra. Stated Meetings, Second Saturday.
- Hagdang-Bato No. 87,** 527 Alvarado, Manila. W.M., Lim Tiaw Ping, 661 Magdalena, Manila. S.W., Natalio M. Balboa. J.W., Jacinto Policarpio. Treasurer, Song Fo. Secretary, Alejandro R. Santos, P.M., 429 Sta. Mesa, Manila. Stated Meetings, Third Saturday.
- Hiram No. 88,** 520 San Marcelino, Manila. W.M., Euracquo Alambra, Pacific Commercial Co., Manila. S.W., Hilarión D. Abad. J.W., Enrique Rimando. Treasurer, Victor Rafael. Secretary, Ramon Ramos, P.M., P. O. Box 1483, Manila. Stated Meetings, First Friday.
- Muoz No. 89,** Parañaque, Rizal. W.M., Teodorico Santos, Parañaque, Rizal. S.W., M. B. Jaberina. J.W., Wm. E. Hatton. Treasurer, Felipe Mapoy. Secretary, Vicente Leogardo, Philippine Health Service, Manila. Stated Meetings, Second Saturday.
- Memoria No. 90,** Muñoz, Nueva Ecija. W.M., Enrique L. Locsin, P.M., Muñoz, Nueva Ecija. S.W., Eugenio Ramos. J.W., Apolonio V. Zabata. Treasurer, Apolonio Fuertes, P.M. Secretary, Marcelino R. Hidalgo, P.M., Muñoz, Nueva Ecija. Stated Meetings, Second Saturday.
- Mount Kaladus No. 91,** Dumaguete, Oriental Negros. W.M., Serafin Teves, Bais, Oriental Negros. S.W., Lorenzo Bernardes. J.W., Candelario A. Gonzalez. Treasurer, Felipe Pastor. Secretary, Pelagio G. Villarín, Dumaguete, Oriental Negros. Stated Meetings, Second Tuesday.
- M.-B.-T. No. 92,** Masbate, Masbate. W.M., Enrique Legaspi, Masbate, Masbate. S.W., Florentino M. Serrano. J.W., Francisco Lim Yao Giok. Treasurer, Lee Lang. Secretary, Ciriaco L. Latonero, P.M., Masbate, Masbate. Stated Meetings, First Monday.
- Mencius No. 93,** 90 Escolta, Manila. W.M., Agapito Yulak, 303 Claveria, Manila. S.W., Lim Kim Kok (J. Lim-pe). J.W., Chan Lin Cuon. Treasurer, Dee Hong Luc. Secretary, Tieng Sing, P.M., 114 Real, W.C., Manila. Stated Meetings, First Thursday.
- Benjamin Franklin No. 94,** 90 Escolta, Manila. W.M., Paul F. Whitacre, P.M., P. O. Box 1953, Manila. S.W., Albert M. Wagner. J.W., Robert C. Caldwell. Treasurer, Alexander W. Robertson. Secretary, Preston B. Moyer, 403 Vermont, Manila. Stated Meetings, Second Tuesday.
- Service No. 95,** 520 San Marcelino, Manila. W.M., Moire L. Gordon, H. Q. Co., 31st Inf. U. S. A., Manila. S.W., Bryon W. Pittman. J.W., Geo. H. Roundy. Treasurer, Wm. A. Willoughby. Secretary, William Beishir, H. Q. Co., 31st Inf. U. S. A., Manila. Stated Meetings, First Monday.
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