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BLOOD, SWEAT, AND TEARS!

ARMISTICE Day and National Heroes Day fall during the month of November. The former is observed universally, the latter, locally. Both, more or less, refer to the heroic deeds of men on the field of battle—on land and sea and in the air—as well as the patriotic efforts of others for peace, progress, and happiness. Both are historical dates which remind us that while victory in war may be sweet, success during peace is sweeter.

On the one hand, we see the horrible picture of war. It cries for blood and more blood; it demands sweat, rightly or wrongly, and is the cause of the shedding of tears by the innocent more than the guilty; it aims to destroy everything men hold dear in life. The outcome is never satisfying; it may mean not only a day of triumph for the mighty and the conqueror but also a period of humiliation for the weak and the vanquished. And as long as there are proud winners in wholesale killing, there are likewise poor losers in the same destructive game. In any event, the price is costly; it is paid in terms

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BROTHER BONIFACIO AND HIS SISTER

ESPIRIDIONA BONIFACIO, sister of Andres Bonifacio is still living. The recent visit to her made by a group of Brethren brought to light some news of interest concerning our Fraternity. She is now in the evening of her earthly journey, weak in body but alert in mind.

In recalling the deeds of her famous brother whom she interchangeably referred to as the "Supremo" of the Katipunan and "Father of the Revolution" of 1896, she mentioned two of his notable characteristics: love of God, country, and people, and passion for equality, fraternity, and liberty. "These" she stated "were no doubt accentuated by his membership in your Institution." "I came to find out later", she added, "that his contemporaries including Rizal, del Pilar, Mabini, and others were also Masons like him." She also remarked that if Bonifacio were alive today, he would feel amply repaid for his sacrifices and would rejoice in the fact that the Philippines is no longer a colony nor a territory of a foreign power, but a republic, sovereign and free; that he would however, continue

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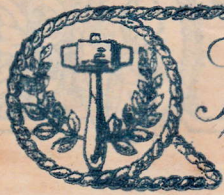
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The Grand Master's Message



LET US GIVE THANKS

NOVEMBER is a month of holidays. Among these is Thanksgiving Day which might as well be observed not only by a few nations but the whole world. As the name implies, it is a period of thanksgiving and praise to God for His mercies.

We recognize the existence of the Deity. Peoples and nations have different names for Him but just the same, he is revered as the Supreme Being. We occupy our minds with non-essentials and neglect the worthwhile things in life. We fuss over this or that matter and say we are so busy that we oftentimes get away from, instead of drawing closer to, God.

In every man's life, there comes some kind of victory or success as well as sadness or defeat. These are bound to happen and there is no need of worrying continuously or despairing bitterly. The important fact to consider is that we are alive and although we may be discouraged in some instances, we too will have cause to rejoice at other times.

Ponder over the lot of our less fortunate brethren and friends! If we are poor, they are poorer; if we are sad, they are sadder. But in spite of the situation and circumstances in which they find themselves, they manage to get along, feeling that the Great Architect of the Universe knows their plight and realizes their needs.

Therefore, if we have patience and understanding, we are bound to receive blessings in many ways: they may be in the form of assistance from neighbors, kindness from friends, and goodwill from acquaintances. Certainly, we cannot, we should not fail to reciprocate, either by expressing our gratefulness or thanking them for their deeds. This is love of fellowmen; this is love of God.

Let us acquire the good habit of thanking others in thought, deed, and prayer. More than this, "let us give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good."

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OFFICIAL SECTION

YOKOSUKA NAVAL MASONIC LODGE U. D. AND
OKINAWA LODGE U. D. CONSTITUTED

(Continued from last issue)

In this ceremony I had the able assistance of Bro. Roy T. Powell who discharged the duties of Master of Ceremonies in an extremely creditable manner. After I had addressed the newly installed Worshipful Master, Wor. Bro. Apar gave the charge to the Wardens and Wor. Bro. Rastorfer the charge to the brethren. On his first rising to address the Lodge, Wor. Bro. Beeler thanked me for Constituting the Lodge and installing himself and his officers and expressed his great regret and disappointment that you and M.W. Bro. Antonio Gonzalez were not able to be present on this auspicious occasion, as he and the brethren have been looking forward to your visit. Wor. Bro. Apar, on behalf of the Scottish Constitution, extended a warm welcome to the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands upon its establishing in Japan and assured us of his ready cooperation to forward the great purpose of the Craft. Wor. Bro. Rastorfer voiced the same cordial sentiments on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut. At the banquet which followed, toasts were proposed to the M. W. Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands and the M. W. Grand Master; our Sister Constitutions; and our Guests. The responses to these toasts once again testified to the cordial relations which already exist between the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands and the Constitutions working in Japan. The auspicious beginning of Yokosuka Naval Masonic Lodge No. 120 F. & A. M. presage a future that will not only bring credit to itself but also honor to the fraternity in general.

Masonry was first introduced in Japan by the Grand Lodge of Ireland with inauguration of Sphinx Lodge in 1862 which lasted until 1865. Since then Yokohama Lodge No. 1092 H. C.; Lodge Star in the East No. 640 S.C.; Otentosama Lodge No. 1263 E.C.; Rising Sun Lodge No. 1401 E. C.; Tokyo Lodge No. 2015 E.C.; Albion Lodge in the Far East No. 3729 E.C.; and Lodge Hiogo and Osaka No. 498 S. C. have been succes-

sively chartered in Tokyo, Kobe and Yokohama. There is also the Tokyo American Lodge U.D. working under the Grand Lodge of Connecticut since occupation, for the purpose of conferring courtesy degree only. At the time I visited Japan, only Lodge Star in the East No. 640 S.C. and Tokyo American Lodge U.D. have resumed work. I was told, the Scottish Rite bodies were awaiting the early return of their deputy from New York to recommence labor. That Masonry can and is expected to make its contribution to the democratization of the Japanese people is well recognized. This does not necessarily mean however the making of every Japanese a Mason or the indiscriminate chartering of New Lodges. Masonry can make its contribution to this worthy cause by making its influence felt through the brethren now carrying its torch a banner throughout the Far East, particularly in the Island Nation. In this function, Yokosuka Naval Masonic Lodge No. 120 will, I feel sure, cooperate most willingly and happily with the Lodge of sister constitutions already in existence in Japan and its youthfulness in experience will be compensated by the aggressiveness and enthusiasm of purpose that is the mark of a new lodge.

After spending the next day looking over the books, minutes, records, reports, accounts of the Lodge; adjusting differences in the ritualistic work, making suggestion; for improvement and discussing lodge policy in general, I bade the brethren farewell and entrained for Tokyo to wait for the plane for Okinawa.

CIRCULAR No. 4
SERIES OF 1948

To all Masters, Wardens and
Brethren of our Subordinate
Lodges

Greeting:

Paragraph 149, Section 10 Article 2, Part 3 of our Constitution prohibits the use of spirituous, malt, or fermented liquors at any masonic banquet or gathering. This prohibition implies that intoxicating liquors shall not be served in any masonic lodge hall. (See Proceedings 1938. Page 67):

This being our standing resolution in the matter, it is fraternally requested that the same be duly observed.

DONE and executed in this City of Manila, Republic of the Philippines, this 9th day of November, 1948.

(SDG.) ALBERT J. BRAZEE, JR.
Grand Master

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(SGD.) ANTONIO GONZALEZ, P.G.M.
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The N. W. Grand Master's Official Visitations



DAGOHOY No. 84

THE party arrived at Tagbilaran airport at 9:30 a. m., September 24, 1948, on a chartered plane of the PAL. From the airport the party was taken around the town for a glimpse by the members of the Dagohoy Lodge No. 84 who met the visitors at the airstrip.

Wor. Master Arturo Fortich of the Dagohoy Lodge No. 84, F. & A.M. gave the welcome address reviewing the history of the Lodge from the period of Japanese occupation until liberation. He informed the party that the Lodge had withstood the trials and test of time. The love and devotion of the members to meet their obligation towards the Fraternity and the almost 100% attendance in that august event was the proof despite the economic hardships. Not unlike the molave tree the Lodge stood firm and strong on the rocky soil of Bohol. Persecutions done by detractors have not been wanting but they added the incentives; their influence was never felt as good men and new members have come to join the Fraternity every now and then. Losses in memberships was likewise sustained by the Lodge due to death during the Japanese occupation. Brother S. V. Dirikito, Treasurer of the Lodge, was tortured and killed by the Japanese on August 12, 1942; others like Wor. Bro. Castillo and Bro. Butalid had been imprisoned, but released for lack of damaging proofs, for or against them.

The members of the visiting party were introduced by the Most Wor. Grand Secretary, Antonio Gonzales, Grand Lodge Orator, Wor. Bro. Mauro Baradi, was next to speak. He paid tribute to the hero, Francisco Dagohoy, after whose honor and memory the name of the Lodge is immortalized. Dagohoy typified resistance from oppression and such was a fitting inspirator for the freedom-loving people—the members of the Dagohoy Lodge No. 84 on hand.

Wor. Bro. Cenon Cervantes spoke on the root cause of the conflict among men which could be traced to that of the exploitation by man from his own fellowmen. He summarized that all these conflicts could be avoided if man would learn to exploit wealth from his mother earth instead of his own brothers—masons or non-masons.

Deputy Grand Master Munariz spoke in Spanish and promised that soon after he will have been elected Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the Philippines, he will come back to Bohol for another visit. We expect you to stay longer than the present visit, Right Wor. Sir.

The next presented by the Most Wor. Grand Secretary was the Wor. Master of Kasilawan Lodge who presented without much ceremony but more solemn, a cute silver trowel to the Wor. Master of Dagohoy Lodge No. 84 emblematic of spreading the cement of brotherly love and friendship among members of the Fraternity as to who could best work and best agree.

The Grand Lodge visitation was climaxed by the speech of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Albert Brazee, of

the Grand Lodge of the Philippines. He expressed his admiration of the laudable achievements of the Dagohoy Lodge. He attributed all these to the unqualified faithfulness of the members of the Lodge to their obligation. It has come to his knowledge that Dagohoy Lodge members even travel as far as 80 miles just so they could attend Lodge meetings. He further informed that the persecution of the members of the Fraternity is not only true in this place but likewise in all other places—witheresoever they are dispersed. The church has employed every means to disrupt the Fraternity by trying to suggest that religious instruction be given in the Philippines public schools.

Wor. Bro. Pio C. Castro, P. M., of the Dagohoy Lodge No. 84 spoke in behalf of the members of the Dagohoy Lodge. He expressed regrets over the short period of the visitation; otherwise a more fitting and significant reception in an open Lodge program where heart-to-heart deliberations by way of exchanging views between visitors and the visited could take place as long as time could permit. This open Lodge visit used to be the practice before airplanes became available to the visiting Grand Lodge dignitaries.

It was even hinted that in the event of the next Grand Lodge visitation to the valley of the Dagohoys, that the visitors stay overnight, so as to gather not only the wives of Masons, but also their sons and daughters where a sort of family "barangays" could share the fellowship enjoyed by the members and elders. That visitors also take with them their wives and that no more planes be made available for charter, (big boats instead) was the request. One degree work or some sort of installation activities like the Order of the Demolay or the higher degrees be given during the visit so as to check the proficiency of the Lodge members, was another of the requests. Wor. Bro. Castro was greatly lauded and congratulated on these points.

From the Dagohoy Lodge the party repaired to the residence of Wor. Bro. Castillo where refreshments was served. At 11:30 a.m. the party took off for Dumaguete, Negros Oriental, where their arrival was also awaited with great interest.

The rituals, if well memorized are good; the practise outside the Lodge on what the rituals say is better. It is the translation of the rituals into action that counts.—Bro. C. Cervantes.

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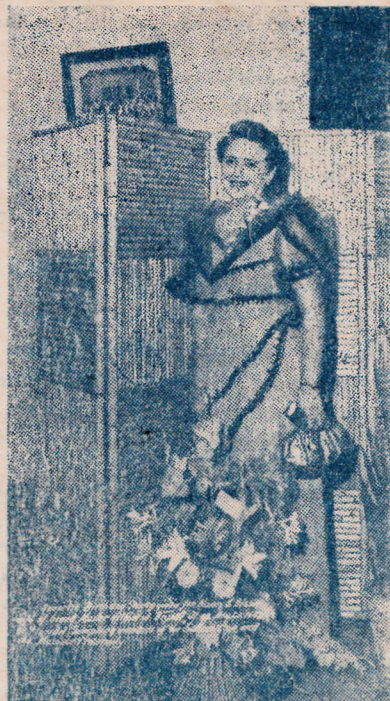
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WHAT OTHER LODGES ARE DOING

SURPRISE PARTY FOR MRS. BRAZEE



Mrs. Nancy E. Brazee

BRETHREN of Lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction and their families and friends gathered together at the Paridel Masonic Temple, Manila on the evening of July 20. It was to celebrate the birthday anniversary of Mrs. Nancy E. Brazee, on the same day. Not until the same evening did Mrs. Brazee know about the affair; to her it was really a surprise party.

The numerous friends who came to greet the celebrant were one in expressing their appreciation for her many acts of kindness and works of charity to the community specially among the unfortunate and needy children.

The program rendered was impromptu but impressive. Most Wor. Bro. Antonio Gonzalez, Grand Secretary who acted as toastmaster called on Mrs. Luisa Vicente, to speak on behalf of the Rosario Villaruel Chapter, U. D., Order of the Eastern Star, which presented a beautiful Filipina dress to the celebrant Wor. Bro. Wyman on behalf of Mayon No. 1, O. E. S., expressed the best wishes of the Chapter; both cited the splendid work Mrs. Brazee had done on behalf of the Order specially the letter organization where she is the present Worthy Grand Matron. Then came another surprise number which was the presentation of a huge birthday cake and the pleasant job of presenting it fell upon our energetic Junior Grand Warden, Rt. Wor. Bro. Cenon Cervantes who mentioned

the fact that without Mrs. Brazee's inspiration, Most Wor. Bro. Albert J. Brazee, Jr. could not have accomplished so much. To climax the surprises for the evening the gift of the officers and members of the Grand Lodge was presented; it was in the form of a life-size picture of Mrs. Brazee and Wor. Bro. Mauro Baradi, Grand Orator of the Grand Lodge spoke in the name of the Grand Lodge who mentioned three important qualities of the individual, namely: being an ideal life-partner, a real friend, and a good neighbor. "These three" said the speaker, are richly exemplified in the life of Mrs. Brazee. On her part, she expressed her gratitude to all those present and reiterated her determination to continue serving those in need as best as she could. "What I can not express in words, I feel in my heart" she said. "And" she continued, "I do not need those precious and lovely gifts to remind me of your thoughtfulness, I do not deserve them; just the same I will continue cooperating with all of you in the big task of helping and cheering brothers and friend for the benefit of the community in which we live." No less a surprise was the short speech of the Grand Master joining his wife in thanking everyone. "As one who recognizes the influence of a woman in a man's life, I likewise present to the celebrant this small package as a symbol both of affection and devotion," the Grand Master concluded. To complete the celebration, a well known Manila orchestra and the All-Girls Orchestra of Welfareville furnished the music while piano selections and vocal numbers were contributed by Miss Ofilada, daughter of Wor. Bro. Macario Ofilada and her lady friend. The sumptuous dinner which was served took place in the newly constructed Cement Court of the Temple.

ST. JOHN'S No. 9

ONE of the most successful and impressive meetings held by this lodge in recent years was that which took place in the evening of November 12, 1948 at the Scottish Rite Temple, 912 Taft Avenue, Manila. On this occasion the Third Degree was conferred on James C. Bowman in the presence of the officers of the Grand Lodge headed by Most Wor. Bro. Albert J. Brazee, Jr., Grand Master. The special team which conferred the degrees was composed of War Damage Commission employees headed by Commissioner Francisco A. Delgado, P. G. M. The conferral was most interesting and unique due to the fact that the members of the special team belong to various Grand Jurisdictions.

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ON a previous date, October 13, the Most Worshipful Grand Master paid an official visit to a joint meeting of three lodges: Manila No. 1, Corrigidor Southern Cross No. 3 and St. John's No. 9. Likewise the visitation took place at the Scottish Rite Temple. At this time the officers of the Grand Lodge acted as a team in the exemplification of the First Degree featured by the lecture of the degree by the Most Worshipful Grand Master himself.

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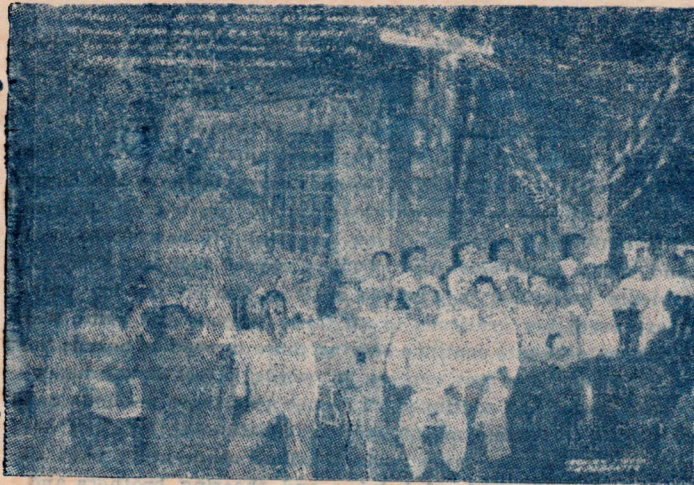
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GONZAGA No. 68



Party for Wor. Bro. Padua

Front Row.—

From left to right.—G. Bayuga (w/ dark suit) (66), Ballesteros; Juan N. Diego (66), Tuguegarao; B. Pagalilauan (66), Aparri; M. Paguyu, Treas. (66), Tuguegarao; Roque Taguba (66), Camalaniugan; Pedro M. Gammad (66), Alcala; Pedro Turingan (66), Tuguegarao; Hilario de Yro (66), Solana; Perfecto Lingan, S. W. (66), Solana; Buenaventura Marcelo (66), Tuguegarao, and Eugene Chiu (93), Tuguegarao, Cagayan.

Second Row.—

From left to right.—Vicenta Limquenco (66), Tuguegarao; Agustin Balisi (66), Tuguegarao; Bonifacio Mequi, P. M. (66), Tuguegarao; Lorenzo de Leon, Sec. (66), Tuguegarao; Sisenando Silvestre, P. M. (68), Tuguegarao; Simeon Sprita, W. M. (66), Lal-lo; Hon. Regino G. Padua, P. M. (82); Domingo Alcaraz, P. M. (39), Tuguegarao; G. S. Castelo (58), Ilagan, Isabela; E. B. Pagulayan (66), Tuguegarao; Teofilo Calimag (66), Tuguegarao; and Filomeno Mariano (60), Bu. of Plant Industry, Manila.

HIGH TWELVE No. 82

A Special Meeting held October 23, 1948, Brothers Rosario T. Cortes, Primitivo A. Javier and Mateo Cruz Cornelio were raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason. The meeting started at 3.00 o'clock in the afternoon, and at 7:00 P.M. the Most Worshipful Grand Master accompanied by the officers and members of our Grand Lodge, was received in due and ancient form. After the reception, a Special Team headed by Most Wor. Bro. Albert J. Brazee, Jr. an Honorary Member of this lodge, and supported by the Past Masters thereof conferred the Third Degree of Masonry upon Bro. Mateo Cruz Cornelio. Ten round-tables of refreshments were served by Panciteria Ramon Lee to the brethren present at the Social Hall of Plaridel Temple.

And at the subsequent Stated Meeting held November 13, 1948, this lodge had as Guest Speaker our Right Wor. Bro. Cepon Cervantes, Junior Grand Warden. He was introduced by Wor. Bro. Mauro Baradi, master of the lodge. Bro. Cervantes' lecture on his experience and impressions on his last trip abroad proved to be so interesting that upon motion duly made and seconded, it was resolved by the lodge that the substance thereof be spread on the pages of The Cabletow for the information of the brethren in this Jurisdiction.

OKINAWA No. 118

WOR. Bro. John Albert Cox, master of this lodge has the following message to the brethren:

Many consider themselves Freemasons, but are they, and are we really "True Masons"? Let us all, wherever we may be, whatever our task before us, practice the great principles of

Free Masonry. If it be at work or at play, before a decision, whether it be small or important, ask yourself this one thing—"How would a True, Just and Upright Man and Mason do this"?

Using the principles of Free Masons in our everyday life is the real purpose of Masonry and its use will lighten the burdens of many and add to our roll of "True Masons".

Here is the Trestle Board for June and July:

Degrees Conferred During the Month of June:

Passed	Raised
Vernon Baker Sharpe, Jr	Quentin Alonzo Tindel
*Robert William Prestwood	*John Frank Turos
Quentin Alonzo Tindel	Norman Joseph Bauman, Jr
Tommy Heldon Parr, Jr	Roy Adolphus Green
Tommy Heldon Parr, Jr.	Bob Tom Blackwood
William E. Traynor	*Courtesy
Robert Galaghas	

Meetings of July

2nd Called	8th Called	9th Called
	18th Stated	

Stated Meetings (2nd Tuesday of each Month) begin at 7:30 P.M. Called Meetings begin at 7:00 P.M.

The Lodge will be at recess from 14th July until the 16th Aug.

On August 2 the District Grand Master for China, Rt. Wor. Bro. David W. K. Au, installed the Officers of this lodge for the M. W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the Philippines.

HIGH TWELVE CLUB OF THE PHILIPPINES
INAUGURATED

In simple but impressive ceremonies attended by 60 Masons the High Twelve Club of the Philippines was fittingly inaugurated at the hour of high twelve on Saturday, November 20, 1948 at the Plaridel Masonic Temple, Manila.

The interest of the Brethren was manifested in the fact that long before the hour of high twelve, they had already arrived to attend the occasion.

After the sumptuous luncheon, a program was held including the following numbers: community singing led by Wor. Bro. Mauro Baradi; calling of the meeting to order by the temporary chairman, Most Wor. Bro. Albert J. Brazee, Jr.; introduction of charter members; introduction of guests; explaining the purposes of High Twelve Club; and the business meeting.

In his brief but meaningful remarks the Chairman among others, stated the object of the Club thus:

"The High Twelve Club is a non-political, non-sectarian organization composed of representative business and professional men who feel a keen interest in the welfare and progress of their community, their city, and the affairs of the world and who strive to live the ideals taught in Masonry in their relation to mankind.

"Its object is to unite Masonry in the happy bonds of a social hour, to inform themselves of the progress and truths of Masonry, to inspire and encourage the practice of those virtues which will aid in civic betterment, in the upbuilding of its members in honorable and successful living; to encourage and participate in such constructive activities as shall tend to the betterment of the community."

The following Brethren have been chosen to serve as first set of officers of the Club until the next election is held: Albert J. Brazee, Jr., president; Esteban Munarria, vice-president; Cepon S. Cervantes, vice-president; Antonio Gonzalez, international representative; Bonifacio S. Araullo, secretary; Carlos Inigo, treasurer; Jose M. E. Leon, Jr., sergeant-at-arms and as directors: Clifford C. Bennett, Teofilo Abojo, S.M. Austin, Primo I. Guzman, and Mauro Baradi.

The President after thanking the Brethren announced that those desiring to be members of the Club may communicate to the secretary, Bro. Bonifacio S. Araullo, c/o Plaridel Masonic Temple, 520, San Marcelino, Manila, Philippines.

ORDER OF DEMOLAY

JOSE ABAD CHAPTER

NEW OFFICERS INSTALLED

JOSE ABAD SANTOS CHAPTER, Order of DeMolay, installed its new staff of officers on Friday evening, September 24, 1948 at 6:00 p.m. in the Jose Abad Santos Hall, Plaridel Masonic Temple on 520 San Marcelino Street Manila, Philippines. A large number of members and friends were present. A feature of the evening was an inspiring address by Illustrious Bro. Michael Goldenberg, 33°, of the Supreme Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, of the Southern Jurisdiction U.S.A., and Deputy of the Grand Council, Order of DeMolay in the Philippines.

The Officers installed were:

M. C. Artemio G. Bayas
S. C. Manfred Hecht
J. C. Soliman Santos
Trea. Ners Elvina
Scribe Wil Mata
Asst. Scribe Eduardo K. Limbo
S. D. Gumersindo Bernabe
J. D. Fernando Bautista
S. S. Ernesto Lolarga
J. S. Teodoro Bonifacio
Marshal Dick Charles
Chaplain James Bousman
Almoner Sonny Abangan
S. E. Jose Abelo
Sentinel Phil Bennett
Orator Santiago Morales
Organist Mamerto Buenafe, Jr.
1st Pre. Aurelio Corcuera, Jr.
2nd Pre. Alfonso Latorena
3rd Pre. Enrique Lolarga, Jr.
4th Pre. Manuel Buenafe
5th Pre. Robert Studewouse
6th Pre. Markalee Nestle, Jr.
7th Pre. Helmut Meyer

The installing officer was James Stevenson assisted by Johnny Wilson (Chapter Advisor) both members of Hiram Lodge No. 88, F. & A. M.

PLARIDEL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

THE basketball and tennis courts at the Plaridel Masonic Temple, Manila were inaugurated on November 20, 1948. In the presence of numerous brethren and members of their families, Rt. Wor. Bro. Esteban Munarriz, Deputy Grand Master after making a few remarks tossed the first ball which began the basket ball game between the DeMolay Quintet and the Central American School teams. After a hard-fought game the DeMolay team won by the score of 44 to 39.

The ranking tennis players of the Philippines were introduced to the public by Rt. Wor. Clifford C. Bennett, president of the Plaridel Athletic Association among whom were Amado Sanchez and Cesar Carmona. In a one-set game (singles) Carmona won, the score being 6-4. In the doubles where Sanchez and Lazaro faced Carmona and Wuylangco, the latter won with the score: 6-4.

The celebration closed after refreshments were served.

Brothers desiring to become members may obtain further information from the Plaridel Athletic Association with headquarters at 520 San Marcelino, Manila.

PARENTS DAY CELEBRATED

THIS chapter celebrated PARENTS DAY at the Jose Abad Santos Hall, Plaridel Masonic Temple, Manila on Sunday, November 21, 1948 at 7 in the evening, attended by fathers and mothers of the Demolays and their friends. After the impressive opening ceremonies a program specially prepared for the occasion was rendered including the opening remarks by Artemio G. Bayas, Master Councilor; viola solo by DeMolay Ernesto Lolarga, DeMolay Mamerto Buenafe Jr., at the piano; speech "DeMolay In The Philippines" by the advisor, Mr. Johnny Wilson; accordion solo by DeMolay Manfred Hecht, Senior Councilor; talk on the History of the Order of DeMolay by Florencio Ilagan, Jr., Past Master Councilor; surprise numbers: Talk by Mrs. Nancy Brazees, Jr., Worthy Madron of Mayon Chapter, O. E. S., Address by Most Wor. Bro. Albert J. Brazees, Jr., Grand Master of the Grand Lodge and brief remarks by Brethren A. Gruber, Pascual M. Buenafe, D. Bermudez and Mauro Baradi; presentation of flowers to Mothers by the DeMolays; a message to the parents by Mr. Michael Goldenberg, Deputy of the Grand Council of the Order of DeMolay in the Philippines and closing prayer.

Before the refreshments were served Advisor Wilson made several announcements: the holding tentative of a father and son banquet at the Plaridel Masonic Temple during the Youth Week beginning December 17; the members of the Committee for the purpose are: Mr. A. Gruber, Advisor Wilson and Mr. Mauro Baradi; several scheduled games between the DeMolays Basketball and Volleyball teams and other teams of Manila schools and colleges; the donation of Volleyball equipment by Mr. Mauro Baradi to the Jose Abad Santos Chapter.

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Address delivered by M. W. Brother Michael Goldenberg, P. G. M.
on September 11, 1948, at High Twelve Lodge No. 82 F. & A. M.
Plaridel Temple, Manila
(Continued from last issue)

Upon my arrival in Chicago, I was taken in hand by Wor. Bro. Horlick and visited several lodges and also the "Help your Neighbor Club" for Rod and Ritual Instructions where I met the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Wm. Tinsley. The work instructed there is most perfect, nothing is overlooked by the Grand Instructors and I surely enjoyed being there with my brethren. Everywhere I went, I was received with full honors and was always called upon to speak on Philippine Masonry and its rehabilitation. I believe I gave them a very good account of everything by the way the brethren showed their appreciation. I was given two luncheons by the Grand Master where the most prominent masons of Chicago were present. I have only words of praise for the brethren of that great city of Chicago where I have seen how brethren dwelt together in unity and perfect accord with a membership of several hundreds of thousands, but carefully chosen men. On my way to Chicago, I made a stop overnight at Denver, Colorado, to visit a great man and Mason M. W. Bro. Harry W. Bundy 33°, Grand Secretary, where I also met Wor. Bro. Shields. I stopped at the Mountain Lodge of Bro. Bundy where I was most cordially received and made to feel at home by the distinguished wife and charming daughter of Brother Bundy. It was a beautiful sight overlooking the mountain where Buffalo Bill made himself famous. The next day, I was shown and inspected all the masonic temples and Shriners' Club of Denver. You cannot imagine the grandeur of these temples and the importance of masonry in the lovely City of Denver. At noon I left by plane for Kansas City, Missouri, where I

had the great honor and privilege of meeting one of the most popular masons and truly a great man, he is none other than IN. Bro. Frank S. Land, 33° and the organizer of the greatest masonic movement, the Order of DeMolay. He was cordial and kind and showed me around the DeMolay Headquarters and took me for a sightseeing of the city. I was most grateful to him for his gifts to Jose Abad Santos Chapter in Manila. I had the pleasure to meet this great man again at the Sessions of the Supreme Council in Washington, D.C. Upon my arrival in New York City, I paid a courtesy call to the Office of the Grand Lodge in their magnificent temple at 73rd Street. I met there their new Grand Secretary, Right Wor. Brother Doctor George Irwin, a very sympathetic brother, after which I was taken by the hand by Rt. Wor. Brother Carl G. Juchatz, member of the Board of General Purposes of the Grand Lodge of New York. A very fine and kindly brother with a real big heart. I visited this brother often and I never felt that he was a new friend, it seemed that I knew him for years I assure you, my brethren, I even had the facilities of the department of supplies of this greatest and largest Grand Lodge in the world which I had arranged thru this good brother to supply our own Grand Lodge. I do not know if we have used these very generous facilities. Bro. Juchatz asked me to speak to the brethren at a joint meeting of two lodges in the Bronx which I accepted. I believe my talk was appreciated by the fact that I was given a donation of all the beautiful and costly Masonic chairs, pedestals, candelabras, the piano now in use in the large hall, books and other items, all free of charge, as a token of goodwill to the masons of the Philippines. All we had to pay for was the packing and forwarding charges, which I personally advanced in New York and which was refunded to me by our Grand Master. I was asked to be the guest speaker of several other lodges and Masonic Clubs where I acquainted them of the sacrifices made by the Filipinos, their loyalty to the cause of Democracy and the heroic conduct of masonry and its rehabilitation. I also had pictures to show, so that they may have a vision of what we were obliged to endure.

In October of last year, I had the honor and privilege of meeting for the first time, that venerable and very energetic "Grand Old Man of Masonry," our most beloved Sovereign Grand Commander, Illustrious Brother John H. Cowles, 33°, at the Biennial Session of the Supreme Council at Washington, D.C. I also had an interview with the Foreign Relations Committee with regards to granting us the petition for our own Supreme Council of the 33° for the Republic of the Philippines. Being one of those who strongly advocated this matter and worked hard to convince our brethren here to support the idea of the early establishment of our own Supreme Council, I have made it a certainty to visit Washington at the time the Sessions were held. This was well known to many Masons and active Scottish Rite Masons before my departure and which I also spoke of at the popular farewell banquet tendered me by the brethren at the Manila Hotel. I

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THE Thanksgiving Reunion of the Philippine Bodies, A, & A. S. R. has taken place as scheduled. For four consecutive days, the brethren of the four Chapters, LAKANDOLA LODGE OF PERFECTION, BURGOS CHAPTER ROSE CROIX, MALCAMPO COUNCIL OF KADOSH and RIZAL CONSISTORY, M.R.S. composing the Bodies have labored incessantly in conferring Scottish Rite Degrees from the 4th to the 32nd to a big group of candidates hailing from all over the country and also from the United States.

The Thanksgiving Class has for its officers the following brethren—

- Bro. Romeo A. Santos, 32^o — President
- " Fantaleon Trinidad, 32^o — Vice President
- " Harry H. Boggess, 32^o — Secretary
- " Richard Khoo, 32^o — Treasurer
- " Pacifico S. Pablo, 32^o — Class Historian

The Class after the last day of investiture offered to the Officers and Brethren of the Philippine Bodies and visiting brethren a sumptuous dinner which was under the management of Bro. Richard Khoo, 32^o, Class Treasurer.

Six degrees, namely the 4^o SECRET MASTER; the 9^o ELU OF THE NINE; the 14^o PERFECT ELU; 18^o KNIGHT ROSE CROIX; 30^o KNIGHT KADOSH and 32^o MASTER OF THE ROYAL SECRET were conferred in full form, under the chairman of Bro. Hermogenes Dimagiba, 32^o, Bro. Jose E. Racela, 32^o, Bro. Richard P. Bahia, 32^o, Bro. Jose J. Guzman, 32^o, Bro. Carlos Inigo, 32^o and Bro. Teofilo Abejo, 32^o, respectively. The exemplars for these degrees were Bro. Daniel Lomotan, Bro. Joseph H. Erwin, Bro. Jolly R. Bugarin, Bro. Catalino Guillermo, Bro. John T. Sutherland and Bro. Horton J. Case, respectively. The rest of the degrees were com-

municated in short form nevertheless, amplified with the investiture of the Apron, Collar and Jewel of each and every degree—all of which were made available thru the untiring efforts of the congenial Secretary of the Philippine Bodies, Bro. Bonifacio S. Araullo, 32^o.

The brethren who communicated the degrees in short form were Bro. Dominador Escosa, 32^o, Bro. Ceferino M. Picache, 32^o, Bro. Jose Fetalvero, 32^o, Bro. Gabriel Salgalo, 32^o, Bro. Johnny Wilson, 32^o, Bro. Vicente J. Avena, 32^o, Bro. Gregorio A. Vicente, 32^o, Bro. Mauro Baradi, 32^o, Bro. Mateo D. Cipriano, 32^o, Bro. Roman Padilla, 32^o, Bro. Gregorio Cariaga, 32^o, Bro. Marcelo Decena, 32^o, Bro. Marciano Gatmaitan, 32^o, Bro. Benito Maneze, 32^o, Bro. Arturo Cayetano, 32^o, Bro. Sesenio Rivera, 32^o, Bro. Atilano Nunez, 32^o, Bro. Abundio C. Del Rosario, 32^o, Bro. Jose E. Racela, 32^o, Bro. Pacifico Sevilla, 32^o, Bro. Jose A. Fernandez, 32^o, Bro. Francisco Bonifacio, 32^o, and Bro. Primo I. Guzman, 32^o. The candidates were also assigned individually as exemplars in all the degrees.

The investitures were graced by the presence of distinguished members of the Masonic fraternity. Illustrious Bro. Michael Goldenberg, 33^o delivered to the initiates the Morals and Dogma. Bro. Albert J. Brazee, Jr. 32^o, Grand Master of Masons in this Grand Jurisdiction delivered the congratulatory remarks to the candidates. Present also were Bro. Emilio P. Virata, 32^o KCCH, Past Grand Master of Masons in the Philippines, Bro. Antonio Gonzalez, 32^o, Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands, Bro. Jose Maria Encarnacion Leon, Jr., 32^o, KCCH, Jose Artiaga 32^o KCCH, Esteban Munarris, 32^o KCCH, Deputy Grand Master of Masons of the Philippines, Bro. G. C. Lyman, 32^o of the Manila Bodies and many others.

was cordially received by everyone in the magnificent Scottish Rite Temple, called the "House of the Temple," at Washington, and the spirit of real brotherhood and cordiality among the brethren could be readily appreciated by everyone. It was like belonging to one solid happy family and you mingle among the highest and most active masons in America plus the foreign visitors from numerous countries who were there. To visit the Masonic Museum, and the library containing rare books, is alone worthy of visiting the beautiful city of Washington. There are two niches in this great temple, one is occupied and contains the remains of the greatest mason of modern times, Ill. Bro. Albert Pike, 33^o, Past Sovereign Grand Commander and the other is now empty and will be the future resting place for the mortal remains of our present Grand Com-

mander, Ill. Bro. Cowles, 33^o. Washington is a great masonic City with many memories which are worthy of visiting.

In all my visits to lodges and clubs in New York, I always had the pleasure and honor of being accompanied by our great friend and Reverend Brother, Leroy E. Wright who served during the Liberation as Chaplain in Batangas and who was most helpful to your Grand Master in his arduous task of rehabilitation and relief work of all those in need at that time. Chaplain Wright is a man that would not hesitate to go out of his way to aid and cheer those who are in need. I am sure many of you will never forget this kind hearted brother, he is now the Chaplain of Holaran Veterans' Hospital, Staten Island, New York.

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CONMEMORAMOS en este mes de noviembre el día de nuestros héroes nacionales. Para nosotros los masones este es un día de intensa significación masónica. La gran mayoría de aquellos a cuya memoria dedicamos reverentes ese día fueron masones, obreros que militaron activamente en nuestras filas.

Si nos detenemos un poco en nuestra historia pronto recordaremos que los humanistas fueron los mas responsables para que se propagara la filosofía básica de la CABALA. La base de esa filosofía fue el amor fraternal entre todos los mases y la unión de todos los pueblos sin distinción de razas ni de colores. A base de esa filosofía surgió la labor ciclópica de verdadero amor al prójimo y a la humanidad en general. Si el RENACIMIENTO fue una labor consagrada a la investigación de la verdad, rompiendo las cadenas de dogmas religiosos entonces predominantes que asfixiaba la libertad de investigación, el movimiento HUMANISTA fue toda una labor consagrada a dar al hombre, a la humanidad, su alto valor moral y espiritual, su propia dignidad:

A base de esos dos movimientos que cambiaron la faz del pensamiento humano surgio, en todo su esplendor, la masonería especulativa. Esta dio a esos ideales iniciados por el RENACIMIENTO y el movimiento humanista carne de realidad. De allí surgieron la consagración de la libertad del pensamiento, de la libertad religiosa y de conciencia, y

la libertad política y social. De allí surgió el servicio social que es el mas alto ideal masónico. Y todo esto fue el origen de ese otro movimiento histórico conocido como la REVOLUCION POLITICA. Fueron masones los que iban sembrando y propagando esa idea en la mente y en la conciencia de los pueblos y de los individuos. Si bien el masón nunca puso el arma homicida en las manos del individuo, puso en su mente y en su corazón el ideal de libertad, de ansia de mejoramiento social, par arromper las cadenas de la opresión que le esclavizaba. Este fue un servicio social por cuyo objetivo muchos masones pagaron con sus propias vidas.

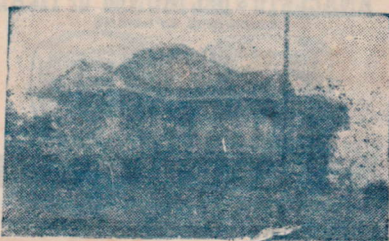
Y en nuestra propia tierra tuvimos muchos masones que también pagaron con este sacrificio el servicio social a que se habían consagrado. Repetir aquí sus nombres sería repetir la historia patria.

A esos héroes y beneméritos de la patria nuestra comunidad dedica un día de este mes que es para su consagración. Y como una gran mayoría de ellos son masones, dicho se está que consagramos con ello a nuestros propios héroes. Y consagrándoles, consagramos nuestra idea, nuestros ideales, nuestros principios, nuestra doctrina.

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By J. W. FERRIER, Sr., P. M.
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He suggested that lodges having over 500 members should support a division of their membership into two, as there is abundant proof that attendance is proportionately greater at lodge meetings in small lodges than in large ones; that in all lodges those who have served as officers, high or low, attend more regularly than those who have not so served and the more lodges, the more officers.

He made a lengthy report on the condition of the finances of the Grand Lodge, both generally, and as to the many special funds under its trust and control. He spoke feelingly and appreciatively of the work of the Masonic Homes, reported on the meetings of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, and announced he had exercised the right of every Grand Master to make a Mason at sight.

He issued 23 dispensations and healed 16 unlawful actions of various lodges, and nullified the action taken by three lodges in violation of the Ahiman Rezon. He issued 21 edicts the

majority nullifying actions taken by lodges in accepting applications; reversed one edict thereto made by him, made 44 visitations inside and outside the Grand Jurisdiction.

The newly elected Grand Lodge officers were installed, after which the incoming grand master addressed the meeting, speaking about the Masonic Homes, the Temple, the Grand Lodge finances, recommended the divisions of large lodges, and appointed the Junior officers after which the Grand Lodge was duly closed.

MY OBSERVATIONS

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Masons, wherever I have been, have always extended me the hand of friendship and brotherly love. My brethren, when you travel in foreign lands you will appreciate much more the fact that you have knocked at the portals of this great and honorable Fraternity. After a sojourn of ten months, I was glad to be back home and be active in our endeavors with my own brethren in the Philippines.

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BLOOD, SWEAT, AND TEARS!

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of "Blood, Sweat, and Tears."

On the other, we behold a nobler scene. It is the symbol of the world's greatest thing called love; love of God and fellowmen. Wherever it is found; there is an atmosphere of goodwill and mutual understanding; for love works like magic; it transforms wicked men into noble ones; it makes friends out of enemies; it is the incentive that urges individuals to labor and sacrifice not alone for their own interest but for the good of their neighbors. Its proper application is a guarantee to a lasting peace which the world has too long been waiting for. In peace, men can develop their talents to the fullest extent and share their blessings with everyone. Instead of a divided and distracted world as in the case of war, we will have one big family of united nations in time of peace. When love prevails peace shall reign supreme. Then shall we be thinking less of "Blood, Sweat, and Tears", but more of "Love, Labor, and Peace."—Mauro Baradi, M.P.S.

BROTHER BONIFACIO AND HIS SISTER

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fighting as it were against injustice in any form and rally the people to preserve their hard-earned freedom and help the young nation to become prosperous and enduring.

In reiterating her appreciation for the assistance extended her by members of the Craft, she wrote, thus:

"I am greatly indebted to you all; and more so because throughout these many years, you have not forgotten a brother who fell during the night and gave his life for the motherland. I know not how to repay your kindness. All I can do is to pray the Almighty to bless each and every one of you. Have my assurance that within the few remaining years allotted to me, I shall always be grateful."

Thus, the sister of a Mason conveyed her thoughts and expressed her feelings. Thus, the Brethren of the same Mason should not forget her sincerity and fine spirit.—Mauro Baradi, M. P. S.

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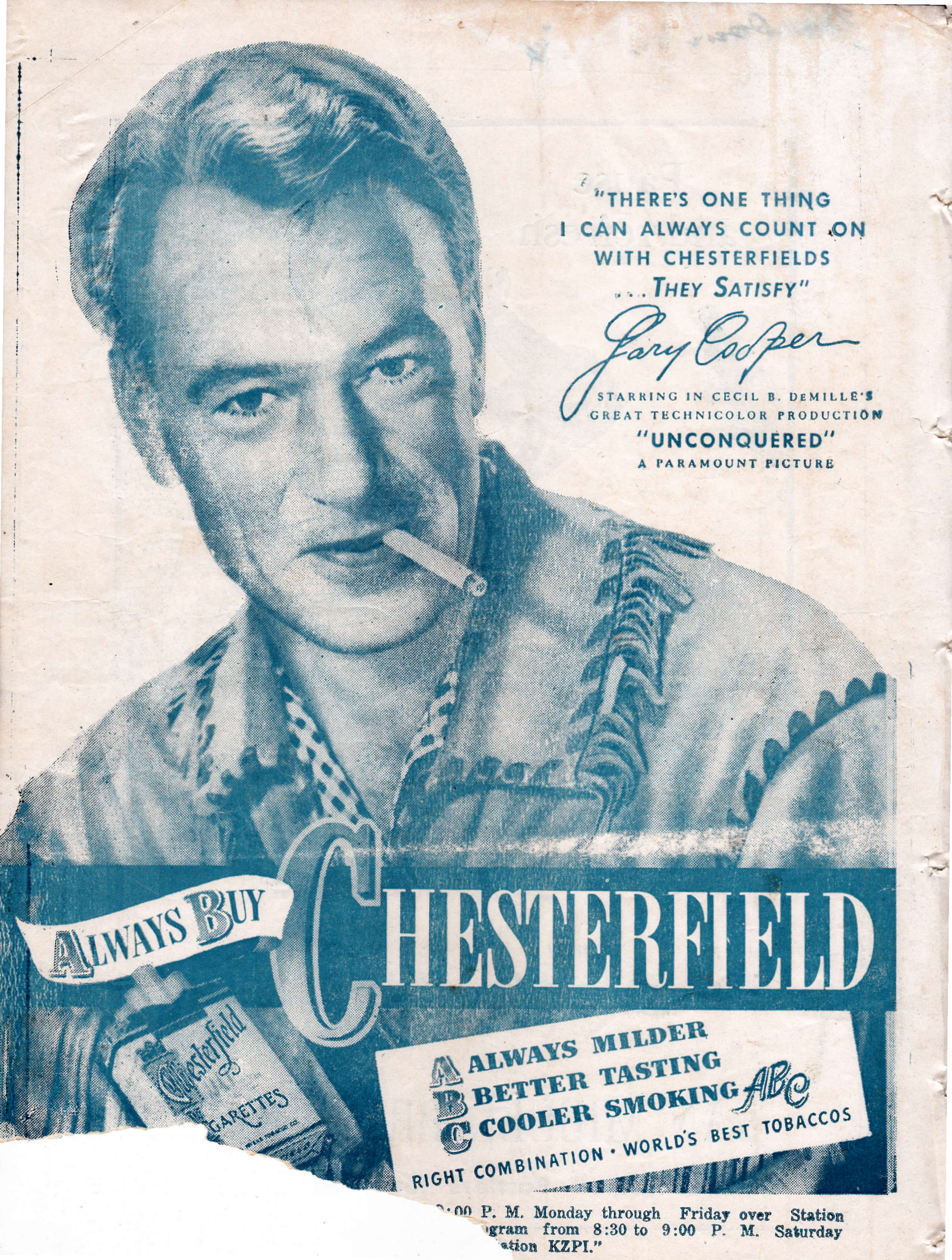
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