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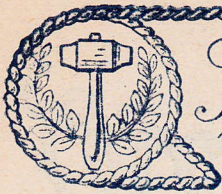
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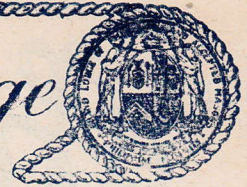
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# The Grand Master's Message



## Let Us Live Today

**P**EOPLE ARE SOMETIMES JUDGED by their way of thinking. There are those who gloat and glory about the past, its risks and romance; they spend many hours recollecting what had gone before and neglect to notice the things actually taking place around them; they are satisfied with by-gones and can go no farther.

Others take pains in minutely mapping out their future — the pleasant and profitable things that might come; they paint, with patience and fortitude a glowing picture of their future and expect much in the accuracy of their calculations; they have the habit of living in castles before building them. Imagination is their manna, and hope, their mainstay.

We still have another group remaining: those who really live now and steadily work for good as the days go by. Herein is where Freemasonry teaches man a valuable lesson. This Universal Brotherhood has among its outstanding emblems, the hour glass which represents human life itself. The hour glass reminds us that our days are short and soon our very lives shall come to an end. Therefore, we should not dissipate our strength in a disquisition about the past or a dipping into the future. Today is our day; let us live and laugh and labor unselfishly while it lasts.

Grand Master

# THE CABLETOW

## EDITORIALS

### OUR VISITING BRETHREN

MASONRY IN PARTICULAR and Manila in general were fortunate in having as visitors, Shriners of Nile Temple, Oasis of Seattle, Washington. The head of the delegation, Illustrious Potentate James H. Fletcher expressed the feeling of his party when he said: "We came to renew old friendships and make more acquaintances in a land dear to us and which has become a second home to many an American Mason."

Since the arrival in the Philippines, of the Brethren on November 14 up to their departure on November 17, 1950, they enjoyed the proverbial hospitality of our people; Manila and other places of interest and importance were shown to them; they were afforded the opportunity—brief though it was—to observe some phases of Philippine life at close range.

On the other hand, our guests shared with us the wealth of their masonic experiences. In admitting some ninety 32° A. & A. Scottish Rite Masons who are residing in the Philippines, as members of Nile Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., the Shriners strengthened the tie which binds Masons of the two countries together and intensified their charity campaign wherein the Order has lavishly but wisely invested its vast resources as no other organization of its kind has ever done. For the Order indeed is not only a playground for Masons but one of the world's greatest philanthropic institutions; within its hospitals for crippled children more than 200,000 young boys and girls regardless of nationality, race or creed, have been treated and healed. We might mention at this point some facts about Shrine hospitals, namely: that the hospitals are "non-sectarian and admit only destitute children who are treated entirely free of charge; that schools are maintained at the hospitals and there is no interruption of the education of the child while being treated; that the members of the National Board of Trustees, as well as the members of the Local Boards of Governors, serve without compensation; that the medical supervision is under the direction of the Board of Orthopedic Surgeons; that the hospitals pioneered the orthopedic work for destitute and crippled children;" that there is a definite plan "to perpetuate the hospitals and improve them to keep abreast of modern medical advancement."

We do not expect that visits such as the one recently undertaken, be made often due to the distance between the United States and the Philippines, and the expense involved, in addition to some other factors. But every effort exerted toward bringing Masons and non-Masons together calculated to bring about real harmony and better understanding is never forgotten or vusted. By coming in contact with other peoples, we are enabled to appreciate more their viewpoints and know something about the countries they represent.

—Mauro Baradi, M.P.S.

### A BROTHER FROM INDONESIA

ON NOVEMBER 11TH, in the presence of four hundred Brethren from various Lodges under the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands, Dr. Charles Tambu, Consul General of the Republic of Indonesia was raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason in "High Twelve" Lodge No. 82. The newly-obligated Brother is the first Indonesian to join our Fraternity in the Philippines. Since his arrival in Manila, he has identified himself with local civic organizations and freely spent valuable time to works of charity. His frank yet sincere dealings with others have won for him many friends. His is an understanding heart and a cooperative spirit. In more ways than one he is an ambassador of goodwill from a young Republic to our Sovereign State.

And to expand the area of his activities, he saw fit to join our Ancient and Venerable Institution. Within its fold, he will find that the true mission of the Craft to which he freely and voluntarily offered himself as candidate, is to labor unceasingly for the welfare of his fellow men, his country, and humanity. And this may be attained not by armed might but through kind deeds, not by dictatorial commands but through patient understanding, not by subtle diplomacy but genuine sympathy.

In admitting Brother Tambu to our Brotherhood, we have opened through him the doors of Freemasonry in this Jurisdiction to his countrymen. A people like the Indonesians, rich in resources and richer still in potentialities, whose history and tradition run parallel to those of the Filipinos, are entitled to Liberty, Equality, and Fraternity—precious rights given by God to man; these very rights are preached, practiced, and promoted by votaries of Freemasonry; their denial when deserved would lead to discontent not happiness, degeneracy not enlightenment.

We congratulate Brother Tambu for the significant step he has taken. The Light which he has seen in the Temple of Brotherhood is accessible to all who having eyes to see, can see. It is hoped that this same Light will in due time illumine the minds of men and guide the course of nations toward that goal which we all are anxious to reach—not by wishful thinking but through cheerful doing — a just and enduring world peace.

—Mauro Baradi, M.P.S.

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ACCOUNT OF THE JOINT ANNUAL GRAND LODGE VISITATION OF THE THREE SISTER LODGES OF NUEVA ECIJA, MADE BY MOST WORSHIPFUL BRO. CLIFFORD C. BENNETT, GRAND MASTER AND HIS PARTY, ON SEPTEMBER 16, 1950

WITH CABANATUAN LODGE NO. 53, as the host and Wor. Bro. Cesar E. Vergara in the East, a Lodge of Master Masons was duly opened at 4:30 in the afternoon. The following brothers filled the stations:

Bro. Felipe M. Sinaguinan	Senior Warden
Bro. Lucas S. Ramirez	Junior Warden
Bro. Jose N. Carlos	Treasurer
Bro. Narciso J. Martinez	Secretary
Bro. Dionisio Constantino	Chaplain
Bro. Ambrosio A. Grospe	Senior Deacon
Bro. Pantaleon Sarmenta	Junior Deacon
Bro. Alfonso Flores	Marshall
Bro. Rosalino T. Beley	Senior Steward
Bro. Vivencio Sinaguinan	Junior Steward
Bro. Calixto Sioco	Tyler

Wor. Bro. Vergara announced that the special meeting was called for the purpose of the Joint Official Visitation of the Most Worshipful Grand Master and party, who were about to be officially received. The Master declared the brethren free from restraint until the sound of the gavel in the East.

With Wor. Bro. D. M. Josen as Marshall and Bro. E. M. Ortiz as Tyler, official reception of the Most Wor. Grand Master, Bro. Clifford C. Bennett and Party was held. The visitors aside from the Most Worshipful Grand Master were: Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Antonio Gonzalez, Grand Secretary, Rt. Worshipful Bros. Cenon S. Cervantes, Deputy Grand Master and Sidney Austin, Senior Grand Warden, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Esteban Munarriz, and Worshipful Brothers Clinton Carison of Cosmos Lodge No. 8, Marciano Gatmaytan and Daniel Lomotan of Kasilawan Lodge No. 77, Mariano Gonzalez of Nilad Lodge No. 12, Bonifacio Araullo of Hiram Lodge No. 88, Gregorio D. Robles of Nueva Ecija Lodge No. 53, delivered his welcome address. The Marshall then conducted the visitors to seats in the East and the gavel, symbol of authority was handed to the Most Worshipful Grand Master who made the sign that everybody be seated.

Sincerest and fraternal greetings in behalf of the members of the other two lodges were heard from Wor. Bro. Felipe Chico, Master of Nueva Ecija Lodge No. 73, and Wor. Bro. Buenaventura P. Eugenio, Master of Memorial Lodge No. 90. Likewise, greetings were also made by the following sojourning brethren: Bro. Gonzalo C. Punzalan of Bagumbayan Lodge No. 4; Bro. Regino Rubio of Dapitan Lodge No. 21; Wor. Bro. Gregorio Mercado of Mactan Lodge No. 30; and Bro. Albino Figueroa of Pampanga Lodge No. 48. Bro. Sergio S. Ocampo, Mayor of Cabanatuan City greeted the visitors in his official capacity and stated that he guaranteed the personal safety and security of all of them during their stay in the City. Wor. Bro. Juan O. Chioco, Provincial Governor of Nueva

Ecija, greeted the visitors and took the opportunity to elaborate on the crisis and emergency obtaining at present within our country. He called on every Mason to ponder and make an analysis of the situation and that as Masons, it is the duty of everyone to help solve the tremendous problem of peace and order. He sounded a call for militant Masonry, and elucidated that now, as ever, we as Masons, should set forth in deeds and aggressive action the principal tenets of the Fraternity. He was applauded several times.

Most Wor. Bro. Antonio Gonzalez, Grand Secretary was called by the Master of Cabanatuan Lodge No. 53 to give his remarks followed by the introduction of the visitors. His remarks had for its principal theme SOCIAL SERVICE, THE TRUE SPIRIT OF MASONRY. He said that to turn down and to defeat the evil influence of political parties and the pernicious aristocracy of the church during the middle ages, Masonry had to be established, first thru the medium of social service. He stated that the true spirit of the French Revolution was imbued by the ideals of social service from which evolved the demand of the populace for liberty, fraternity and equality. He battled for the YORK RITE OF FREEMASONRY, which he said had already its beginning here before the war, but whose progress was cut short in the Philippines as a result of that war. He presented a convincing analysis of how the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd degrees of Masonry were born out of the York Rite. He advocated the establishment of chapters in the Philippines particularly in the City of Cabanatuan, so that the Royal Arch degree may be disseminated properly. He paid tribute to the achievements of Freemasonry in Nueva Ecija, the zeal and devotion of the members of the Craft thereof. He stated further that in granting a diploma of merit to Wor. Bro. D. M. Josen, it did not mean a signal honor alone to the said brother, but an apparent symbol of honor for all Masons identified with the three sister lodges of Nueva Ecija.

When the Most Worshipful Grand Master stood, the atmosphere was filled with silence for a moment as his emotion revealed that he was deeply touched by the occasion. It was easily discernible from his facial countenance that for the first time since his elevation to the most exalted Oriental Chair of the Grand Lodge, he deeply felt that it was a remarkable home-coming to his Lodge where he is a member in particular; and that he was among brethren of Nueva Ecija lodges in general. He began by saying in modulated, low tone of voice "Being a member of Cabanatuan Lodge No. 53, and having lived in Cabanatuan for years I consider this auspicious event colorful in my Masonic life. I have more true and sincere friends here than in any place in the Philippines." He continued, "I wish to thank everybody for their sincere and fraternal cooperation to be present to meet me and the distinguished members of my party. You reflect the true principles of our Fraternity, judging from the spontaneous response you have shown by being patient in waiting for our delayed arrival." He closed by reiterating his thanks to everybody for the magnanimous and splendid reception accorded him and his party, realizing at the same time he was really at home where brotherly love, relief and truth keep on resounding to form

a crowning achievement for Masonry.

At 8:00 o'clock, labor was resumed for the purpose of conferring the first degree of Masonry upon Mr. Domingo C. Espiritu who, at the stated meeting on September 2, 1950, was elected to receive the degrees. The degree was commendably conferred by the following team appointed by the Most Worshipful Grand Master:

Rr. Wor. Bro. Sidney Austin (111 and 95) .....	Worshipful Master
Wor. Bro. Clinton Carlson (88) ..	Senior Warden
Wor. Bro. Marciano Gatmaytan (77) .....	Junior Warden
Wor. Bro. Mariano Gonzalez (56) .....	Chaplain
Rt. Wor. Cenon S. Cervantes (12) .....	Senior Deacon
Wor. Bro. Bonifacio Araullo (88) .....	Junior Deacon
Wor. Bro. Jose L. Domingo (14) .....	Senior Steward
Wor. Bro. Gregorio Carriaga (82) .....	Junior Deacon
Most Wor. Bro. Clifford C. Bennett (53) .....	Working Tools
Wor. Bro. Gregorio D. Robles (73 and 53) .....	Apron
Wor. Bro. Clinton Carlson (88) ..	Lecture
Most Wor. Bro. Esteban Munarriz (14) .....	Charge

The Lodge of Entered Apprentice Mason was declared closed, and the Lodge of Master Mason was opened. After the rearrangement of the lights, Wor. Bro. Cesar E. Vergara introduced Rt. Wor. Cenon S. Cervantes, Deputy Grand Master. Having been Branch Manager of the Philippine National Bank in pre-war years, he reminisced on his past cordial associations with the brethren of the Valley of Cabanatuan. He recalled that the distinction of being an honorary member of Cabanatuan Lodge No. 53, was conferred upon him and despite it having been forgotten, his love, affection, and high regard for the brethren have stayed stronger. He drove the point that the Filipino people especially Masons are always brave and can fight communism, — a common enemy of freedom-loving peoples. To annihilate the enemy, he asked: "Do we translate into action what we learn in our rituals?" He added: "If a Mason knows the rituals by heart and translate the teachings into action, Masonry's teachings should spread," and concluded in an emphatic and meaningful statement, "It is not what men can get from Masonry, but what men can give to Masonry that counts." His short remarks drew favorable comments.

Wor. Bro. Buenaventura P. Eugenio, Master of Memorial Lodge No. 90 elaborated on the seemingly loose adherence of some brethren of the fraternity to the spirit of helpfulness for the sake of brothers in need, when on travel for some definite and specific purpose. The Grand Master answered, that in Masonry, the human element of a Mason is a great weakness, otherwise we are perfect, and it is always a Mason's duty to strive to attain perfection and strive to reach the point whereby we are all lovers of not only of our brothers but also of our neighbors. He said that he will see if a circular about the matter can be given

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3. No child over twelve (12) years of age shall be admitted.
4. No child suffering from contagious or infectious disease shall be admitted.
5. So far as possible to determine in advance, no child having incurable disease, physical or mental defect shall be admitted.
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7. Priority shall also be given to children of those not able to pay for hospital expenses over children of those able to pay in whole or in part.

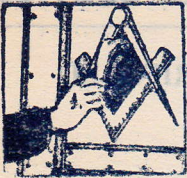
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Secretary

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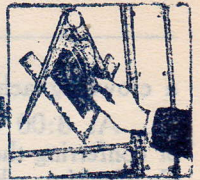
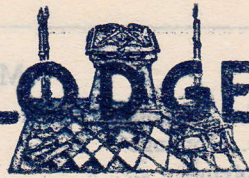
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(From PROCEEDINGS, The Grand Lodge A. F. and A. M., Minnesota, 1950)

due course for everybody's information.  
Wor. Bro. Bonifacio Araullo, Past Master of Kasilawan Lodge No. 77 invited the brethren to the 29th Anniversary of his Lodge on September 24, 1950.  
Bro. Ambrosio A. Grospe passed around the box of fraternal assistance in order to swell the Almoner's charity fund of the Lodge. Subsequently the Lodge was closed.



# WHAT OUR LODGES ARE DOING



## CAVITE No. 2

**W**ITH A VIEW to adhering closely to the austerity program, Cavite Lodge No. 2, F. & A. M., City of Cavite held its last stated Meeting for the year 1950. During the election that ensued the following officers were elected and appointed to serve the Lodge for the Masonic Year 1950-1951:

- Wor. Master* .... Wor. Bro. Francisco B. Cruz
- Sr. Warden* .... Bro. Roy L. Rickman
- Jr. Warden* .... Bro. Antonio M. Donado
- Treasurer* .... Bro. Jose V. Colina (Re-elected)
- Secretary* .... Wor. Bro. Agustin L. Galang (Re-elected)
- Chaplain* .... Wor. Bro. L. M. Buenaventura
- Marshal* .... Bro. J. A. Lowrie
- Auditor* .... Bro. B. H. Bartolome (Reappointed)
- Almoner* .... Wor. Bro. Fernando Medina
- Sr. Deacon* .... Bro. Sublime N. Francisco
- Jr. Deacon* .... Bro. Ryle G. Johnson
- Sr. Steward* .... Bro. Warren F. Leard
- Jr. Steward* .... Bro. Chin Ping
- Tyler* .... Bro. Jose L. Jose (Reappointed)

After a brief recess the above named officers were duly installed by Rt. Wor. Bro. T. A. Jimenez, Grand Lodge Inspector for Cavite No. 2, assisted by Wor. Bro. Vicente R. Mendoza, Past Master of Bagong Buhay Lodge No. 17. The Past Master's Jewel was pinned on Wor. Bro. Luis M. Buenaventura, outgoing Master, by Wor. Bro. F. Medina who exhorted the recipient to ever place near his heart, the welfare of his Lodge and that of his brethren. In his closing remarks, the Inspector, drove home his point—the necessity of mutual understanding, cooperation, broadmindedness, and democratic dealings.

## DAPITAN NO. 21

Plaridel Masonic Temple  
520 San Marcelino St., Manila, Philippines

**T**HE 34th ANNIVERSARY of this Lodge was celebrated on August 27, 1950, at Welfareville, in Mandaluyong, Rizal. It was rather a unique affair as "Bring your own food" was the theme song of the day. The celebrants began to arrive at the place around ten o'clock in the morning and were met by Wor. Bro. Sesenio Rivera, one of the Honorary Members of this Lodge and one of the "big bosses" in Welfareville.

Almost all the members came along with their wives and children. All those present were allowed the exclusive use of the nice swimming pool. After lunch everybody repaired to the spacious Social Hall where an entertainment in the form of sweet music was rendered by the Girls' String Ensemble and the graceful folk dancing exhibited by the "wards" of Welfareville were immensely enjoyed by all those present.

An impromptu program ensued with the Senior Warden, Brother Jose P. Osorio, as Master of Ceremonies. He started it by introducing one by one all the members present, requesting at the same time their wives and children to rise up with the member so introduced. It was followed by "a few words" from the only speaker of the day, Brother Maximo Albano, who came all the way from Daet, Camarines Norte, where he has stayed since 1948, as Judge of the Court of First Instance.

## MALINAW NO. 25

San Pablo City

**F**OR THE PURPOSE of conferring Master Mason's degree upon Bros. Guillermo Espiritu and Nicomedes D. Belen, our Worshipful Master, Cirilo D. Constantino, invited a Manila team composed of brethren from the Luzon Bodies who arrived in this City at about 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon on October 7, 1950. They were received at the beautiful and well-furnished residence of the Worshipful Master, at Aglipay street and were served with refreshments by the charming wife of Wor. Bro. Constantino who was assisted by some chosen ladies, after which they proceeded to the Lodge building at T. Azucena street and commenced the work. The brethren who arrived from Manila in a special bus were:

- Bro. Jose C. Velo, Perla del Oriente No. 3034 SC, Manila
- " J. Stevenson, " " " " " " "
- " A. J. Pascual, " " " " " " "
- " Isaias Garcia, " " " " " " "
- " D. Quintana, " " " " " " "
- " I. S. Reyes, " " " " " " "
- " Benito Manese, " " " " " " "
- " T. B. Bayas, " " " " " " "
- " F. P. Encarnacion, Zapote Lodge No. 29, Manila
- " E. Azusano, " " " " " " "
- " Ruben Mendoza, " " " " " " "

Brother Albano spoke on fellowship—the fellowship that gave him the courage to accept the "Judgeship" quite far away from "home" and where he knew nobody, the fellowship that brought him closer to the Craft, when during his travels in the performance of his official duties he has received the wages of a Master Mason, the fellowship that has reaffirmed his faith in the Brotherhood of Man under the Fatherhood of God.

Dancing was indulged in until late in the afternoon at which time the celebrants started their homeward trek. It was one of the most successful anniversaries ever celebrated by this Lodge since 1946, as it was the only occasion where the wives and the children of their members were grouped together in such a memorable atmosphere of intimacy and conviviality.

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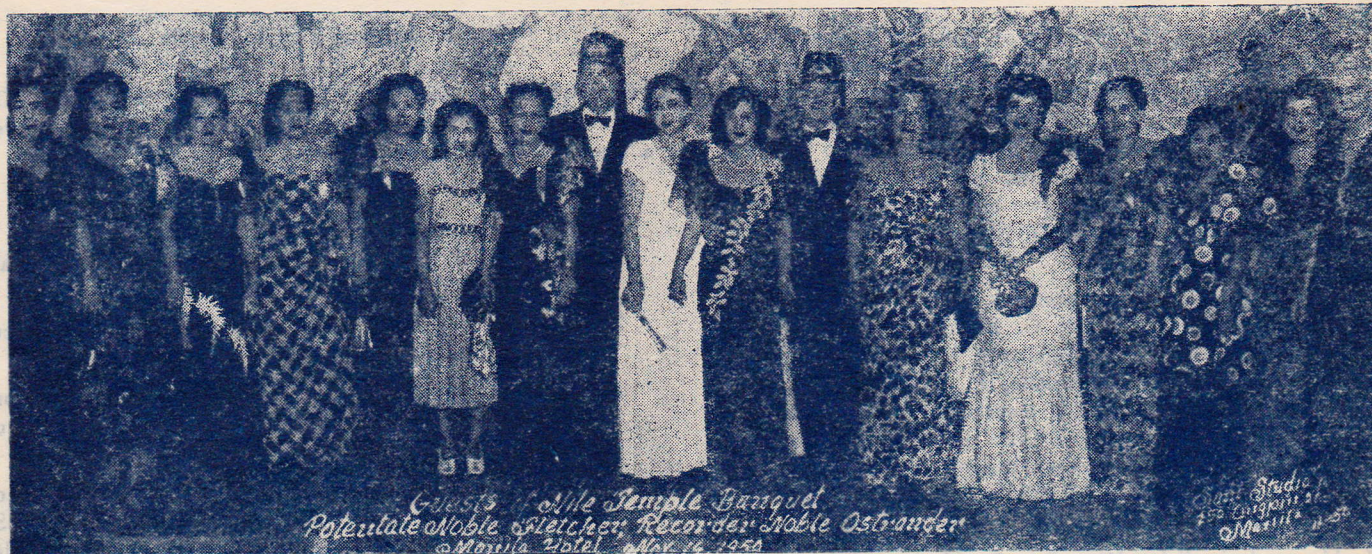
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- " M. C. Floresta, Kasilawan " " 77, "
- " D. R. Escosa, High Twelve " " 82, "
- " Alfredo Licaros, Dagohoy " " 84, Tagbilaran
- " E. L. Laguindanum, Muog " " 89, Parañaque
- " S. Sagayadan, Indang " " 115, Cavite.

The members of the team who conferred the degree were:

UPON BRO. GUILLERMO ESPIRITU

First Section

- Worshipful Master, Bro. Jose C. Velo,
- Senior Warden, " I. S. Reyes,
- Junior Warden, " Benito Manese,
- Senior Deacon, " Isaias Garcia,
- Junior Deacon, " E. L. Laguindanum,
- Senior Steward, " A. J. Pascual,
- Junior Steward, " T. B. Bayas,
- Delivery of working tools, " D. R. Escosa.

UPON BRO. NICOMEDES D. BELEN

First Section

- Worshipful Master, Bro. I. S. Reyes,
- Senior Warden, " Isaias Garcia,
- Junior Warden, " F. P. Encarnacion,
- Senior Deacon, " Jose C. Velo,
- Junior Deacon, " E. L. Laguindanum,
- Senior Steward, " A. J. Pascual,
- Junior Steward, " T. B. Bayas,
- Delivery of working tools, " I. S. Reyes.

UPON BRO. GUILLERMO ESPIRITU

Second Section

- King Solomon, Bro. Jose C. Velo,
- Hiram of Tyre, " I. S. Reyes,
- Senior Deacon, " Benito Manese,

- 1st Fellowcraft, " Alfonso Licaros,
- 2nd Fellowcraft, " E. L. Laguindanum,
- 1st Ruffian, " E. Azusano,
- 2nd Ruffian, " Ruben Mendoza,
- 3rd Ruffian, " James Stevenson,
- Secretary, " F. P. Encarnacion,
- Sea & Way Ferryman, " T. B. Bayas.

UPON BRO. NICOMEDES D. BELEN

- King Solomon, Bro. Jose C. Velo,
- Hiram of Tyre, " I. S. Reyes,
- Senior Deacon, " Benito Manese,
- 1st Fellowcraft, " D. R. Escosa,
- 2nd Fellowcraft, " E. Azusano,
- 1st Ruffian, " Isaias Garcia,
- 2nd Ruffian, " Ruben Mendoza,
- 3rd Ruffian, " James Stevenson,
- Secretary, " E. L. Laguindanum,
- Sea & Way Ferryman, " T. B. Bayas.

Bro. Ignacio V. Noble of Malinaw Lodge served as organist. The lecture was delivered by Bro. Jose C. Velo and the charge by a Manila brother.

The brethren of Malinaw Lodge expressed their full satisfaction in witnessing the splendid performance of the work by this special team of the Luzon Bodies. For so long a time, the occasion was the only opportunity in which a team composed of brethren all of whom were 32° Masons, ever conferred Master Mason's degree upon candidates in this valley.

After the newly-raised Bros. Guillermo Espiritu and Nicomedes D. Belen have made short remarks, as usual, visitors Bros. A. S. Pascual, Benito Manese, I. S. Reyes, D. Escosa, I. Garcia, M. C. Floresta and Jose C. Velo delivered speeches which were warmly applauded by the brethren of Malinaw Lodge. Responses were made by Bros. Gregorio C. Belulia, Ricardo B. Ponilla, Irineo I. Exconde and by Worshipful Master Cirilo D. Constantino.

After the labor, the visitors were entertained by the brethren to a sumptuous banquet in a selected hotel in the City. The Manila brethren passed the night in San Pablo.

## WHAT OUR LODGES ARE DOING ★ ★ ★

BATANGAS NO. 35

ON OCTOBER 14, the brethren of Batangas Lodge No. 35, F. & A. M. with seven others from different Lodges assembled at Quiño's hotel, Batangas, Batangas, on the occasion of a fraternal banquet in honor of Worshipful Master Saturnino David. (Worshipful Brother David, prior to his appointment to the position of Collector of Internal Revenue, was Provincial Treasurer for Batangas and during the last two months was Acting Chief, Provincial and Municipal Finance Division of the Department of Finance.)

After partaking of the sumptuous dinner, under the able leadership of Wor. Bro. Marciano C. Evangelista, an impromptu program was rendered. Bros. Magallanes, Mateo, Luansing, Pasia and Wor. Bro. Eusebio G. Dimaano, P. M. Kasilawan Lodge No. 67, delivered short but impressive speeches. Each spoke highly of the honesty and integrity of Wor. Bro. David as a public servant as well as of the honoree's masonic achievements. The opinion of the brethren was and still is one of unanimity. "He proved equal to the task and brought glory to the craft."

In his usual simplicity, Wor. Bro. David responded by saying that he did not know until then that he possessed the virtues attributed to him and that he has achieved as much. "But one thing is sure", he said, "I only did what a true Mason should."

TAGA—ILOG NO. 79

Manila

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 1950 was a big day in the calendar of this Lodge. On that day at 6:30 in the evening the brethren of the Lodge and their wives held a get-together party at the new Filipino Club, "SELECTA", Dewey Boulevard, Manila, in connection with the regular monthly stated meeting of the Lodge. Sponsors of the affair were Wor. Bro. Guillermo Valid, P. M., Treasurer of that Lodge and Cashier of the Manila Hotel, and his very charming wife "Chayong". Guests of Honor of the occasion were Most Wor. Bro. Clifford C. Bennett, Grand Master, and Most Wor. Bro. Antonio Gonzalez, P.G.M., Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge. Others present were Mrs. Clifford C. Bennett, Mrs. Antonio Gonzalez, the officers of the Lodge and their families including Wor. Bro. and Mrs. E. Salazar; Bro. and Mrs. V. del Carmen; Wor. Bro. and Mrs. L. R. Salanga; Wor. Bro. and Mrs. C. Bernabe; Bro. and Mrs. Z. R. Suarez; the Sr. Grand Lecturer, Wor. S. Rivera and wife; Bro. and Mrs. P. I. Guzman, Honorary Member of Taga-Ilog Lodge; Wor. Bro. Gimenez and Miss J. Gimenez; Wor. Bro. and Mrs. B. T. Araniego; Bro. and Mrs. T. M. Ferrer; Bro. and Miss E. S. Ronas; Wor. Bro. and Mrs. J. Fetalvero; the inspector of the Lodge, Wor. Bro. J. L. Domingo; Wor. Bro. G. G. Niduaza; Wor. Bro. Leon Pelaes; Wor. Bro. Jose Timbol; Bros. Jose Bernabe and G. Bernabe, Jr.; Modesto Fernandez; Manuel Chua Ham; Felix Duban, Jr.; Romualdo Sator; Bros. Crisologo Nellas; Leon Vidallon; Teofilo Reyes; and the family of the sponsors Mrs. Emelda and Miss Molinda Abad.

Most active in the preparation of the affair was the Secretary Wor. Bro. C. Bernabe, assisted by Mrs. Z. T. Suarez and Mrs. J. Fetalvero. The Secretary had announced during the dinner, that one of the important Honorary Members of the Lodge Rt. Wor. Bro. Mauro Baradi and Mrs. Baradi, could not be present due to unavoidable circumstances. Wor. Bro. Sesenio Rivera, acted as the Master of Ceremonies; he introduced individually all the brethren present and their wives. This affair surpassed all previous monthly gatherings of the Lodge this year, due to the assistance of Wor. Bro. Guillermo Valid and his charming "Chayong" and other loyal brethren and friends.

"HIGH TWELVE" NO. 82

Plaridel Masonic Temple, Manila

NOVEMBER 11, 1950 was a banner day for this Lodge. On this date the Stated Meeting of the Lodge was held as well as a Special Third Degree Conferral.

The schedule for the meeting follows:

1. Opening of the Lodge.  
Conferral of Third Degree upon Bro. Celestino Sabala by "High Twelve" Lodge No. 82.
2. Reception of guests of the Lodge—Officers and Members of "COSMOS" Lodge No. 8.
3. Reception of Most Worshipful grand Master, Clifford C. Bennett accompanied by the Grand Officers of the Grand Lodge.
4. Conferral of the First Section of the Third Degree of Masonry upon Brother Charles Tambu by "COSMOS" Lodge No. 8 headed by Wor. Bro. Charles Richards.  
Presentation of the Working Tools by Wor. Bro. Primo I. Guzman.
5. Refreshments.
6. Conferral of the Second Section of the Tihrd Degree of Masonry upon Brother Charles Tambu by "COSMOS" Lodge No. 8 headed by Wor. Bro. Charles Richards. The special team wore their new legendary robes—the first appearance of its kind since liberation.  
Lecture by Wor. Bro. Clinton Carlson; Charge by Wor. Bro. Juan Fernando, and Congratulation by M. W. Bro. Antonio Gonzalez, P.G.M.  
Remarks by Bro. Celestino Sabalo.  
Remarks by Bro. Charles Tambu (first Indonesian to receive the Sublime Degree of Masonry in the Philippines).  
Remarks and presentation of a lamb-skin apron to Bro. Tambu by Rt. Wor. Bro. Mauro Baradi, Junior Grand Warden.  
Short Speeches  
by Wor. Bro. Charles Richards  
by Wor. Bro. Genaro Pestana  
Speeches  
by M. W. Bro. Antonio Gonzalez, Grand Secretary  
by M. W. Bro. Clifford C. Bennett, Grand Master
7. Closing of the Lodge

No less than 400 Masons from various lodges in the Philippines attended the program. The Brethren present were unanimous in the opinion that the Special Team composed of Officers and Members of "COSMOS" Lodge No. 8 did an excellent work, serving as inspiration for other Lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction.

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# PLEDGE OF SERVICE

## OUR BROTHER C. W. ROSENSTOCK

By Most Wor. Bro. Francisco A. Delgado, P.G.M.  
 (Eulogy delivered at the Plaridel Masonic Temple, Manila,  
 Sunday, October 29, 1950)

WE ARE GATHERED this afternoon to honor a great mason, a true brother, "a moral, sensible and well-bred man", a true friend.

Born 70 years ago in the beautiful plains of Oregon, in "the land of the brave and the free", and educated in the Portland public schools, of his own choice he came to this country in the latter part of 1900 when barely of age, with his charming wife and their first born daughter, then only a few months old. Here he founded a fine home and for a half a century, to the best of his ability, he assisted in the development and progress of the business and economy of his adopted country.

Though connected with the United States Army for about 18 years as a captain of the Reserve Corps, his greatest contribution to local progress was as founder of one of the first modern department stores established in the City of Manila and known as Yangco, Rosenstock & Co., Inc. and its the compiler, editor and publisher of Rosenstock's City Directory.

During the Japanese occupation he suffered with the rest of the people all the hardships and vicissitudes of that terrible ordeal and even lost his greatly beloved wife and companion while interned in Santo Tomas. He has in every other respects so thoroughly identified himself with the local community that those who had the privilege of knowing him intimately considered him sincerely as "one of us".

His personal characteristics were simplicity, total absence of prejudice based on superficial differences, attractive and mild manners and specially open friendliness. Thus he readily made good friends amongst the different layers of our cosmopolitan society.

*"Friendship, peculiar boon of Heaven,  
 The noble mind's delight and pride,  
 To men and angels only given,  
 To all the lower world denied.  
 (Samuel Johnson—Friendship. An Ode.)"*

Even in his message as Grand Master of the M. W. Grand Lodge of the Philippines, he evinced this salient characteristic by the following passages —

*"I felt that I could never do all the things that are expected of the man who holds this high office. I have found, however, that many willing Masonic hands have been stretched forth to help me, and in going from province to province, and from place to place, seeing new faces and meeting the brethren, who welcomed me the first time as if I had always known them. I can truthfully say to you that the Brethren of the Philippines have demonstrated to me that Masonry is friendship."*

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*"One of the first tenets taught in Free-masonry is Brotherly Love. By the exercise of Brotherly Love we are taught to regard the whole human species as one family—the high and the low—the rich and the poor—who, as created by one Almighty Parent, and inhabitants of the same planet, are to aid, support and protect each other. On this principle, Masonry unites men of every country, sect and opinion and causes true friendship to exist among those who might otherwise have remained at a perpetual distance."*

*The Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands has given a rare and unusual opportunity to the brethren working under its jurisdiction to practice Brotherly Love, and the best evidence that our brethren are living up to this important teaching of our Ancient Craft may be found in the records of our Grand Lodge. We have demonstrated to the Masonic world that men of every country, sect and opinion can be united into one common band or society of friends and brothers and that Brotherly Love does exist in this Jurisdiction among Masons who might otherwise have remained at a perpetual distance."*

Having received the fundamental three degrees of Free-masonry in Corregidor Lodge while the same was still No. 386 of the Grand Lodge of California in 1912, in less than two years thereafter he became one of the principal founders of Bagumbayan Lodge No. 4, which was the first Subordinate Lodge organized under the M. W. Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands, with common access to Americans and Filipinos alike. In 1914-15, he became Senior Warden of Bagumbayan Lodge No. 4, and in 1915-16, its Worshipful Master.

It was again his open friendliness for everyone and ability that elevated him successively to all the elective positions of our M. W. Grand Lodge from 1915 to 1925, becoming the M. W. Grand Master thereof in this latter year.

During his incumbency of the Grand Oriental Chair, his zeal and special attention were directed to the implementation of assistance to the Masonic Hospital for Crippled Children, to the improvement of foreign relations, to the establishment of standard plans for Masonic Temples, and to the fostering of other activities of the M. W. Grand Lodge. He suggested the innovation of the presentation of Bibles to newly obligated members of Lodges and the establishment of the position of Assistant Grand Lecturers to improve the ritualistic work.

At the time of his demise, he was still Chairman of the Committee on Jurisprudence of our M. W. Grand Lodge and

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## TRIBUTE TO MOST WOR. BRO. ROSENSTOCK

*By Luis Meneses, W. M., Bagumbayan Lodge  
No. 4, F. & A. M.*

(FUNERAL ADDRESS DELIVERED AT THE PLARIDEL MASONIC  
TEMPLE HALL ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1950)

I FEEL that we Bagumbayan brethren have a special privilege to join in paying tribute to that beloved Mason and venerable Brother, Christian William Rosenstock, whose mortal remains lie in state in our midst honored and revered. Most Worshipful Bro. Rosenstock has gone to that undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveler returns. He passed away silently as the night and as quietly and humbly as he lived, yet the brilliant record of his service to Masonry and the fellowship, love and affection which he cultivated, nurtured and left with us are matters of Masonic history in our country that no one can ever dispute nor forget. His death is an irreparable loss to our Fraternity, especially to Bagumbayan Lodge No. 4, F. & A. M., which he founded 36 years ago, for Bagumbayan Lodge No. 4, F. & A. M. was the harbinger of a closer and more perfect union of all regular Masons in the Philippines under one Grand Lodge.

Most Worshipful Bro. Rosenstock was a builder not only of character but especially of temples of love and fellowship in the hearts of his fellowmen. I loved him at first sight when I first came to know him soon after I became a Mason in 1919. On this

Grand Representative of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Montana to the same.

His masonic activities were not by any means limited to Blue Lodge Masonry. He was a very active 32° member of the Mt. Arayat Lodge of Perfection, Manu Chapter of Rose Croix, Confucius Council of Kadosh, and of Gautama Consistory of the Manila Bodies, Scottish Rite. He was made a K. C. C. H. on October 7, 1939. Had he lived a little longer, I have no doubt he would have been crowned with the highest honors in Scottish Rite.

In the York Rite, he was the High Priest, Manila Chapter, U. D. R. A. A.; member, Oriental Chapter No. 1, R. S. M.; Past Eminent Commander, Far East Commandry No. 1, K. T.; and Deputy General of the Grand High Priest, General Grand Chapter, R. A. M., for the Philippines, Guam and Japan.

It is thus to be seen that our dearly beloved Bro. C. W. Rosenstock, by his excellent qualities and virtues, has deserved of his brethren the highest honors because —

*"We require from buildings, as from men, two kinds of goodness; first, the doing their practical duty well; then that they be graceful and pleasing in doing it; which last is itself another form of duty."*

(Ruskin—The Stones of Venice. Vol. I. Ch. II.)

In behalf of the M. W. Grand Lodge of the Philippines Islands, F. & A. M., the Supreme Council of the Republic of the Philippines of the Scottish Rite, F. & A. M. and the Manila Chapter, U. D., Royal Arch Masons, I wish to extend a most sincere condolence to the members of the family of our departed Brother, for the irreparable loss that they have suffered with his demise. But let their natural grief be assuaged by the memory of his good deeds and his excellent qualities as a man and a Mason, which shall ever perdure in the hearts of his brethren and friends.

May Divine Providence accord his soul an exalted place in "that House not made with hands, eternal in the Heavens".

occasion, I must tell you for the first time the reason why I was drawn to him at once like a nail or a piece of iron to a magnet. That reason was true then as it is now, and it is simply the fact that he, as always, has been amiable and frank, a true and sincere friend and brother and a consummate believer in the moral worth of his fellowman. He would tell you straight from the heart what he believed, and would listen attentively to any argument, right or wrong, like what a good father would do to his erring and rebellious son. His was a personality distinctly typical of only a few men whose consuming passion is service, real and true service, to their fellowmen.

The last Stated Meeting of Bagumbayan Lodge No. 4 which he attended was on September 13, 1950. He acted as Junior Warden throughout, perfect in ritualistic work as ever. He was Junior Deacon of Corregidor Lodge No. 3 when he formed Bagumbayan Lodge and he was the Senior Warden when the Lodge was given a dispensation. He became the Worshipful Master two years later, and in 1925 he became Grand Master of our Most Worshipful Grand Lodge. On his death a week ago, he was the actual Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee of our Grand Lodge. Thus, my friends and brethren, you can see how our Grand Old Man of Bagumbayan Lodge No. 4 gave his full measure of devotion to the interest of our beloved Fraternity.

But this is not all that I know of our Venerable Sir of Bagumbayan Lodge No. 4. He was also charity personified. When Bagumbayan Lodge No. 4 celebrated its 36th anniversary on August 19 last, he spoke thus:

*"The message I want to give to the brethren of our Lodge is that we must not forget the workmen in our temple. We attend a meeting of our Lodge and we listen to reports of good finances, of sound resources of savings;—we enjoy the excellent work in one of the degrees; we look back on a satisfactory history of "good work, true work, square work", all well done for many years past.*

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**BELETED TRIBUTE TO MAZZINI, ITALIAN STATESMAN**

*Taken from The Royal Arch Mason, Official Organ of the  
General Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons.)*

**O**FFICERS AND MEMBERS of Grand Orient of Italy march three thousand strong at the dedication of statue to great Italian Statesman and Freemason.

The Italian Government has paid official recognition and tribute to the Grand Orient of Italy, headed by Grand Master Ugo Lenzi, in extending to the organization an official invitation to assist in the parade in June, 1949, on the occasion of the dedication of the statue to Giuseppe (Joseph) Mazzini.

And the Grand Orient accepted the invitation—the only Masonic body to participate in the parade. For the first time in a quarter of a century the banners of Italian Freemasons flew in the breeze as three thousand members of the fraternity paid tribute to their brother of a century ago.

By this act the baseless propaganda against the Grand Orient should be stifled, and the paper organizations set up by rival associations should be stilled. When the court records of some of these would be "establishers" of Freemasonry finally come to light, there will be a few American grand lodges with red faces, for notwithstanding any charges that may be brought against the Grand Orient, the fact is that it represents the best element of the Italian people. Some thirty American Grand Lodges feel that way as is shown by their recognition of this group.

Who was Mazzini? What did he represent? And why this belated honor?

*But, my brethren, do we give enough thought to the brethren whose "unsung labors we now enjoy?"*

*Our Lodge has ample means today, but do any of you recall that about 34 years ago, when our Lodge was a young struggling lodge, it was in financial straits? A day came when it owed money and had but a few centavos in the treasury. One of our brothers kept our lodge alive. He gave out of his own pocket enough money to straighten things out. That financial assistance was a turning point in the affairs of our Lodge. But does anyone know that brother's name, or even know that such a thing happened?"*

I mention this now simply to show you what a man and Mason Most Worshipful Bro. Rosenstock was.

Under the canopy of our weeping Philippine sky, we are assembled here to pay out last tribute of respect, love and affection to this beloved Brother who has done so much for Philippine Masonry which he loved so dearly and served so unselfishly. By and through his labors in our midst, Philippine Masonry under one Grand Lodge grew and flourished and bore fruit. That fruit is now our priceless heritage—the joint cooperation of all, regardless of nationality or color, to make Masonry what it should be in this part of the world. He who helped produce that fruit is now gone and will return no more. His body lies there. Look at his silent and venerable face and you can see that it is still smiling, his august presence still beckons us to keep on with the noble service in which he took an active part. Yes, he is dead, but he still lives; his indomitable spirit will live forever with us, a symbol of his love and affection that will never, never, never die.

Bagumbayan Lodge No. 4, F. & A. M. mourns deeply and profoundly the passing of Most Worshipful Bro. C. W. Rosenstock.

It all came about this way. Several years ago, before the time of Mussolini, the government planned for the erection of a statue to the great statesman. Then came Mussolini and all work was stopped. Benito wanted no rivals. Ettore Ferrari, former Grand Master of Italian Freemasonry (Grand Orient variety) was selected, and at the time of his death the designs had been made but not executed. With a new administration, and the passing of the Mussolini group, plans were made for completing the job, and today the statue stands on one of the principal avenues of Rome as a tribute to a great apostle of Liberty and Democracy.

It was but fitting that the Grand Orient should share in the glory of the dedication, for Mazzini was a member of Grand Orient. And Ferrari was the Grand Master. It is our understanding that Brother Guastalla a member of the Grand Orient at this time, had a part in the completion of the statue.

Now as to Mazzini, he was born in 1805 and died in 1872, native of Genoa, from whence came Columbus. He was an intense student and devoted himself to the law. His readings prompted him to take the lead in fighting for the liberty of Italy. At one time he was a member of the Carbonari, was imprisoned, and later forced into exile. Once he was sentenced to death because of his liberal leanings.

The character of his work is best expressed in a statement made in the closing years of his life:

*The Italian people have been led astray by a delusion, but monarchy will never number me amongst its servants or its followers.*

He left a gap in our ranks beyond repair and a wound in our hearts beyond healing. As the beauty of a landscape can only be admired when the landscape is far, it is likewise so that the worth and true stature of a man can only be felt, appreciated and adored when he is gone. Those of us who have had the privilege and pleasure to discuss and argue with him in life can now evaluate and appreciate his true worth. And now with that tenderness of affection with which we have borne him, as we are about to lay him in his grave, we cannot but feel the pain in our hearts for the loss of so good a man and Mason who was so dear to us and of whom we will always feel so proud. Bagumbayan Lodge No. 4, F. & A. M. will faithfully follow the trail which he has cleared for us, his spirit will be our guiding star and the monuments of his good work will ever be treasured by us among the priceless possessions of our Order.

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# Fraternal Reviews



By MAURO BARADI, P. M.

## MINNESOTA — 1950

Lodges 292

Members 60,710

Gain, 1,838

ON MARCH 22 and 23, 1950, the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Minnesota held its Ninety-Seventh Annual Communication at Saint Paul, Minnesota (Masonic Temple, Sixth Street and Smith Avenue). Out of 292 active Lodges, 196 were represented. The Grand Representatives attending the Communication—besides those coming from various Grand Jurisdictions in the United States— included those from Alberta, Argentine, Brazil, British Columbia, Canada, Columbia, Ecuador, Egypt, England, Guatemala, Hungary, Ireland, Manitoba, Mexico (York), New Brunswick, New South Wales, Norway, Panama, Philippine Islands, Prince Edward Island, Quebec, Queensland, Saskatchewan, Scotland, South Australia, Victoria and Western Australia.

In his Address, the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Bay E. Cummins, reported that 1,127 Brethren died during the year including M. W. Bro. Franklyn W. Matson, P.G.M., and Rt. Wor. Bro. Walter B. Congdon, Deputy Grand Master. In referring to the Masonic Research and Information Committee of the Grand Lodge he said:

*"From the deliberations of this committee have developed the Educational Booklets now in use, a carefully selected list of speakers, promotion of the District Fellowship Meetings, under the helping hands of the various District Representatives and lastly the selection of a Director of Masonic Service, on a full time basis, whose efforts are to co-ordinate the activities of the District Representatives with the wishes of the Grand Master.*

*"A sixteen-page booklet concerning the duties of the Master, Wardens and Secretary was also prepared for distribution at this Communication.*

*"Its fundamental policy all through the years has been to acquaint the brethren of Minnesota with the real rights and benefits which belong to him, as he becomes a seeker after truth through entrance into the chamber of reflection."*

He likewise dwelt on the fraternal assistance at Rochester stating:

*"This Grand Lodge could not engage in any more worthy cause than that of rendering assistance to those who come within our boundaries looking for relief from the many ills that humans are heir to. We are justly proud of the great Mayo Clinic at Rochester."*

One of the resolutions adopted by the Grand Lodge by the necessary two-thirds vote was

". . . That this Grand Jurisdiction arrange for the study of the following related questions:

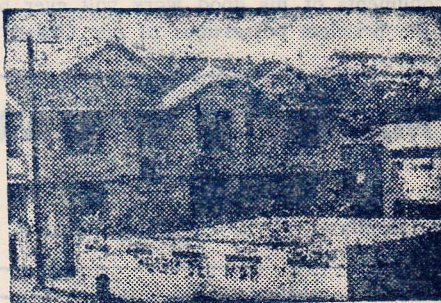
"1. The lengthening of the time between the conferring of the first, second and third Degrees.

"2. Requiring a Master Mason to pass an examination on the Third Degree before petitioning for membership in any of the so called higher Bodies.

"3. Requiring a lapse of at least one year between the conferring of the Third Degree and petitioning for membership in any of the so-called higher Bodies . . ."

Appendix I of the Proceedings lists the Representatives to Grand Lodges—Other Countries—. It appears that the Grand Lodge Representative of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Minnesota near the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands is from Manila but the State mentioned is Porto Rico (this should read: Philippine Islands).

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## ● FRATERNAL REVIEWS ●

## FROM OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

By Mauro Baradi, P.M.

NEW YORK — 1950

Lodges 1,037

Members 294,553

Gain 5,322

FOR THREE DAYS (May 2, 3 and 4, 1950), the 169th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New York was convened in the Grand Lodge Room, Masonic Hall, New York City.

M. W. Frank M. Totton, Grand Master read his Annual Address. He made reference to the Brotherhood Fund Campaign, new Boy Scout Troops and Chapters of De Molay as well as the encouragement which the Grand Lodge has given to the blind through the work of the Service and Rehabilitation Committee. In describing the philosophy of the Grand Lodge, he said:

*"... We helped veterans in every way possible to get back their health, to get jobs, to get homes, to educate their children. We started the Masonic Brotherhood Fund to finance research into the cause and cure of rheumatic fever and allied arthritic diseases. We allocated sizable amounts of this Fund to the needs of our Masonic Home in Utica and to Masonic benevolences generally. We have set up summer camps for underprivileged boys and girls of every race, color, creed, and skin. We have given hospital equipment such as operating tables, iron lungs, beds, tractions, etc., etc., to relieve human suffering. We have backed the American Red Cross in its blood-building campaign and have given, so far, over 2100 pints of blood. We have pushed vigorously the formation of Boy Scout Troops and Chapters of the De Molay. We have emphasized the religious side of man's nature by encouraging attendance at synagogues and churches, by featuring go-to-church Sundays and Communion-Consecration Breakfasts. Just now we are exploring the possibilities of starting some sort of Masonic Club among the delegates of the United Nations, for we feel that on the broad base of Masonry many Brothers of similar spiritual ideals (now guests within our borders at Lake Success) may work with others not in the spirit of distrust and suspicion, but understanding and cooperatively as brothers. In this way the peace of the world may be served and the hideousness of future wars averted."*

The Grand Lodge Medals for Distinguished Achievement were awarded to Brother J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and to General George C. Marshall.

Nine Brethren were reported to hold the 70-Year Insignia, and 6,111, the 50-year service Medals (to February 28, 1950).

From the Joint Report of the Committees on Masonic Jurisprudence and Foreign Correspondence and Relations, we quote:

*"The basic fact with respect to Prince Hall Negro Masonry which confronts Grand Lodge of New York is the fact that the principle of exclusive territorial jurisdiction in the United States, and is imbedded in the Constitutions of Grand Lodge of New York, where it is written:*

*"This Grand Lodge is the only true and legitimate source of Masonic authority within the territorial limits of the State of New York... It is the supreme and sovereign Masonic authority, executive, legislative and judicial."*

*"Thus it follows that Grand Lodge of New York is precluded from recognizing any alleged Masonic Grand Lodge functioning in New York State, irrespective of its claims to regularity or of its constituent membership."*

*"As to our individual membership, there is nothing in our Constitutions which excludes anyone by reason of race, religious creed or national origin. Eligibility for individual*

## THE GRAND LODGE OF CHINA

## THE SECOND ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

THE SECOND ANNUAL COMMUNICATION of the Grand Lodge of China was held on Friday, October 6, 1950 at the Masonic Temple with Rt. Wor. Bro. T. F. Wei presiding. It was attended by over 70 Master Masons, past masters and all the subordinate Lodges were duly represented.

The First Plenary Session of the Communication took place at 4:30 p. m. Master Masons were admitted after the Grand Lodge was opened.

It was very unfortunate that a recent illness had prevented M. W. Bro. David W. K. Au, the Grand Master and now in Hongkong, from coming to Shanghai to officiate this important Assembly. Though M. W. Bro. Au has not yet completely recovered from his illness, he led in the preparation for the Annual Communication with every effort and detail. The brethren missed him very much but felt greatly encouraged by his cabled message of congratulation from Hong Kong.

*membership is regulated by Chapter 3 of our Constitutions and subject to its provisions admission to membership is within the province of each individual Lodge. The Lodge is a family which decides whom it will take and whom it will not. Our Constitutions recognizes that, and thus the door is open to any one to make application, and it is for the Lodge to determine whether to accept that man or not."*

Among the 110 Grand Lodges listed in the Proceedings, the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands with M. W. Bro. Antonio Gonzalez as Grand Secretary appear.



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## FROM OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

After the Invocation, Welcome Address was made and responded. Messages of congratulations and greetings from various Lodges and brethren who are residing around were read by the Grand Secretary. Following the reading of Minutes of the last Communication, the appointment of Special Committee was made.

Reports were presented by various Grand Officers and Committee, showing that the work of the subordinate Lodges and the Grand Lodge itself was in good order and promising condition.

Immediately after the Grand Oration which was read by Wor. Bro. T. T. Woo in an exemplary manner, the election of Grand Officers for the ensuing year followed resulting in the election of the following brethren to their high offices:—

The First Session was adjourned and the brethren were entertained with a delicious dinner served in the refectory.

The Second Session was convened after the dinner for the Installation. Rt. Wor. Bro. Ralph A. Ward was called upon to act as Installing Master with Wor. Bro. Arthur P. L. Tsu as Master of Ceremonies. The ceremonies were conducted in a very impressive and dignified manner.

Greetings and best wishes were extended from various distinguished visitors and added much to the success of this Annual Communication which was closed at 9:30 p.m., with the brethren departing in peace and harmony.

### OFFICERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF CHINA

1950 — 1951

Grand Master	M. Wor. Bro. Tsen Fu Wei
Deputy Grand Master	Rt. Wor. Bro. Ralph A. Ward
Senior Grand Warden	Rt. Wor. Bro. Tsung Tong Zee
Junior Grand Warden	Rt. Wor. Bro. Zung Dau Zau
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Grand Secretary	V. Wor. Bro. Henry H. Lin
Grand Chaplain	V. R. Bro. Yu Yue Tsu
Grand Lecturer	Wor. Bro. Ernest Tso
Grand Orator	Wor. Bro. Ting Jan Holt
Grand Marshal	Wor. Bro. Yu Hwa Chen
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### WORSHIPFUL MASTER'S WORK

**T**HE DUTIES of a Worshipful Master of a Lodge include a multitude of tasks. Of these, one of the most important is the mastery of the work.

We have sat in Lodge and felt a spine-tingling thrill as a competent Master has exemplified a Masonic Degree. We have been inspired to high and noble exaltations of spiritual feeling as such a man obligated a candidate.

Further, we have sensed the same feeling permeating the minds of those who sat with us. The deathlike stillness, the fixed expression and rapt attention of the listeners gave ample proof that the words of the Master served to renew the vows and to rededicate the purpose of everyone within hearing. And, most important of all, the candidate, hearing for the first time the sacred teachings of Masonry, receives an impression that time will not erase.

In contrast to this, what a travesty it is to hear Masonic work given in a dull, meaningless, slovenly manner, with no spark of inspiration and no appeal to the high emotions, no sincerity of purpose nor evidence of understanding; imperfect enunciation, meaningless repetition of words, words, words. Such work has a deadly effect upon those who sit in the Lodge. No wonder so many Masons consider Masonic work as dull, meaningless routine.

Further, such work is a fraud upon the candidate. He is entitled to something better. He has come seeking Light and, instead of a clear, direct unveiling, he receives a jumbled, monotonous interpretation which is meaningless.

True, eloquence of expression is not given to all men. But earnestness, sincerity and clear enunciation can be acquired.

The man who accepts the office of Master takes no light obligation upon himself. If he assumes this position, let him show by his work that he is a Master Craftsman. That is what his title implies.

The Master who fails to devote time and effort to acquiring proficiency, not only in correct wording but also proficiency in conveying the meaning and solemnity of the work, is recreant to the trust he has accepted.

Yes, the duties of a Worshipful Master are many and varied. And one of the most important of these is mastery of the work.

—THE NEW SOUTHWALES FREEMASON.

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# SECCION CASTELLANA NOTAS EDITORIALES

## Continuemos Con Nuestras Cuestiones Sobre Jurisdiccion

**S**OBRE RENUNCIA DE JURISDICCION estuvimos tratando en nuestros anteriores números. Sosteníamos que de acuerdo con nuestra Ley Masónica, una Logia no estaba facultada para hacer renuncia de jurisdicción sobre un candidato cuya solicitud de grados había sido rechazada por la misma. A las razones por nosotros alegadas, añadimos ahora la opinión del Comité de Jurisprudencia emitida en el año de 1940, y ratificada y aprobada por la Gran Logia. Dice así:

On April 29, 1940, the Committee on Jurisprudence rendered the following opinion.

"1st Indorsement

Manila, April 29, 1940

Respectfully and fraternally returned to the V. W. Grand Secretary, F. & A. M., P. O. Box 990, Manila.

"An applicant for degrees was rejected in Lodge A. After twelve months, he applies for degrees in Lodge B having concurrent jurisdiction with Lodge A. Can Lodge A, which rejected the applicant, waive its jurisdiction in favor of Lodge B?"

Section 6, Article II, Part III (Paragraph 142) of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge treats of the subject of concurrent jurisdiction.

This section provides that:

"If two or more Lodges be located within the corporate limits of a city, town or place, they shall have concurrent jurisdiction therein . . . . Any of them can receive and act on the petition for degrees of residents thereof, or nearer thereto than to any other place where a Masonic Lodge exists, and can waive jurisdiction thereon; but if any of them shall refuse the waiver, no other can, within twelve months, act upon the request of the same person."

SECTION 2, Article III, Part III (Paragraph 154)

of the Constitution provides the qualifications of applicants for the degrees of Masonry, and it is provided in this section that an applicant shall have been a resident within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge during twelve months and within the jurisdiction of the Lodge (i.e. nearer thereto than to any other Lodge existing under this Grand Lodge) during six months next preceding the date of his application. There is a new paragraph under this section (Paragraph 154-A) which provides an exception in the case of one who has the qualification of residence; that is to say, the Lodge within whose jurisdiction he resides may, upon his request in writing and for good cause shown, authorize another Lodge to receive and act upon his application, and certain rules are laid down for handling such applications. But it is my opinion that this exception and the rules with reference thereto do not apply to the case of an applicant who has applied to one of several Lodges having concurrent jurisdiction and has been rejected and I believe that as long as such rejected applicant continues to reside within the jurisdiction of the Lodge which rejected him, no other Lodge which had concurrent jurisdiction with that Lodge may lawfully receive his application, and that the Lodge which has rejected him continues to have ju-

risdiction over him and it may not lawfully waive jurisdiction over him in favor of another Lodge which had concurrent jurisdiction with the Lodge that rejected him.

Albert G. Mackey, in his well known work on Masonic Jurisprudence, 7th Edition (1917), pp. 149-151, lays down the general jurisprudence of this subject substantially as follows:

"When a candidate for initiation into the mysteries of Freemasonry has been rejected by the ballot, there can be no reconsideration of his application. He cannot apply to any other Lodge for initiation. Having been rejected by a certain Lodge, he is forever debarred the privilege of applying to any other Lodge for admission. This law is impliedly derived from the Regulations which forbid Lodges to interfere with each other's work . . . . .

There is another and more practical reason why petitions shall not, after rejection, be transferred to another Lodge. If such a course were admissible, it is evident that nothing would be easier than for a candidate to apply from Lodge to Lodge until at last he might find one, less careful than others of the purity of the household, through whose too willing doors he could find admission into that order, from which the justly scrupulous care of more stringent Lodge had previously rejected him . . . . .

. . . . . The laws of Masonry have therefore wisely declared that a candidate, having been once rejected, can apply to no other Lodge for admission, except the one which had rejected him.

Our Constitution now has a new proviso under said paragraph 154 as to the qualifications of candidates for the degrees of Masonry, which is Paragraph 156-A, as follows:

"Provided, That a petition for the degrees by a person who has been rejected by a Lodge in this jurisdiction may be submitted only to the Lodge which rejected such applicant, so long as he continues to reside in the city, municipality, or other territorial limits where two or more Lodges have concurrent jurisdiction; and if an applicant who has been so rejected by a Lodge shall move into the jurisdiction of another Lodge and there submit a petition for the degrees, such petition shall not be reported for ballot until the investigating committee thereon shall have separately submitted to the Master of the Lodge a report, oral or written, showing that the entire committee has fully investigated the character and reputation of the candidate at the time of his rejection in the other Lodge, and all three report favorably upon him."

In view of the general jurisprudence above quoted and these plain provisions of our Constitution, it is my opinion that your questions must be answered in the negative.

COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE  
GEO. R. HARVEY  
Chairman"

Esta opinion constituye a los jurisprudence masonica en esta Gran Jurisdiccion.

Antonio Gonzalez, P.G.M.—F.P.S.

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