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## *Grand Master's Message:*

### SALAMAT PO

*The term of your Grand Master will have come full cycle on the twenty-fourth of this month, and although I will take formal leave of you at the Annual Communication, only a relatively few of our members will be present as delegates thereto.*

*This, then, is my last opportunity to express my feelings to you individually, and to do this adequately can be considered as the most difficult job of my incumbency.*

*My gratefulness to you, and my admiration for you are equally without bound or limit. The memory of your hospitality and many demonstrations of affection in so many nice ways will remain with me always. My admiration for you stems from your display of the genuine love and devotion to our Fraternity, so essential to its progress.*

*With a full heart, then — as your Grand Master — I say to you — “Goodbye, and may God bless you all.”*

*Manila, March 24, 1969.*

**JOSEPH E. SCHON**  
*Grand Master*

## Editorial:

### THE MISSION OF THE CABLETOW

(This is a speech hat was not delivered for lack of time [mine], so it has to be on the Editorial page. This was originally intended for the Regional Convention of Mindanao and Sulu Lodges held at Cagayan de Oro City, March 14 & 15, 1969.)

We, the editorial *we*, singular, are thankful for the opportunity to be present at this convention for here, we are able to renew friendships and try to communicate some of our ideas to you who come from the most progressive Masonic region in the country. From three Lodges before the war, you now have 19 Lodges. My apologies to your beautifully printed letter head which lists only 18. We know you do not make mistakes generally, but sometimes how errors do creep in! (Sorry for Sarangani Lodge No. 50. The second half of your century has just begun. Keep on!)

Yesterday, several of you told us you are not receiving your Cabletow; a new Master Mason raised in September 1968 has not received a single copy up to now, March 1969; one brother told us, rather gleefully, that he did not mind missing the Cabletow; he does not read it anyway!

The solution to the problems presented is simple. We want to be efficient in our jobs if you will let us. Send us the correct and complete addresses and names; when you move to a new address, let us know immediately; do not wait for the next regional convention to tell us. Please remember that you pay in advance for your subscription. The twelve issues in 1969 will be seeing you monthly because you paid for it as indicated in your Secretary's annual report for 1968. If, as a new Master Mason you were raised in September 1968 and have not received a single copy since

then, somebody did not inform us in 1968 and in all likelihood, the annual report for 1968 has not yet reached the Grand Secretary's office. We do not winch when we tell you that we can do the sending quite fast, if you will only let us.

If you have any requests or complaints, please write direct to us. A Lodge Secretary from this region wrote us through the Grand Secretary in October 1968; that letter we received and attended to last month. A Lodge Secretary who holds office three doors from ours in the Plaridel Temple Annex wrote about changes of addresses of two members, through the Grand Secretary. Three days later, he peeped at our door and inquired about his letter. That letter, we have not yet received. Please remember that the Grand Secretary does not read and attend to all the letters received in his office. Routine matters are taken care of by his clerks, who sometimes forget to remember.

So much for those. We must hasten to the topic: "The Mission of the Cabletow." Any magazine is published for some purpose or mission. If it did not have any, it would have no particular usefulness. Any magazine must *inform, instruct and inspire* — the three I's. In some cases, it may entertain and be involved in some cause or project

If, through the pages of the Cabletow, a brother can know that there are three degrees to symbolic Masonry, our magazine has contributed to

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## Why Lodges Have Deteriorated

Among the questions asked by our correspondent of last week, with the request that answers should be given publicly in the Masonic columns of the *Courier* is the following:

"Why have certain lodges deteriorated, and what is the remedy to prevent others from falling into the same sad state?"

The above question has two clear and distinct propositions—one having reference to the past, the other to the future—and we therefore propose to touch upon them separately.

The first proposition, therefore, is, "Why have certain lodges deteriorated?" This subject is a delicate one, but yet it must be fairly dealt with before suggesting a remedy. It is, therefore, proposed to treat it in a general way, in order that our remarks may not be considered as applying to any individual lodge in particular, but to the whole Fraternity as a body.

One of the principal causes why some lodges have fallen off, both in numbers and respectability, has arisen from a carelessness of members in proposing candidates, of whom they have had but little or no previous knowledge, simply because some friends have stated they were "good fellows." It should be known that "good fellows," in the general acceptance of the term, often make bad Masons. Should it so happen that some members of a lodge have been able to ascertain such particulars concerning the "good fellow" as would make him believe that the candidate was not sufficiently worthy of the important privilege of being made a Mason, and in consequence of the information thus received take such measures as would insure his rejection, the brother proposing the new member very often feels hurt, and takes the matter as a personal affront.

If he would properly consider the whole affair, he no doubt would view the rejection in exactly the opposite light; for if it be certain that the person proposed was unworthy to be taken by the hand by *all* good Masons, the refusal to accept him would, perhaps, be the means of saving the proposer's own reputation and preserving the lodge from discord and disruption. A candidate rejected, or objected to for *cause*, is better out of the lodge than in it, as the proposer himself might ultimately find out when the test of time had developed the secrets of his candidate's character and disposition. If accepted, when he should have been rejected, it is often found that, before many years the improperly made member either through disappointed ambition or evil passions, generally succeeds in destroying both the honor and harmony of the lodge.

Another principal cause is the laxity of the committee of investigation. The simple fear of offending a good and well meaning brother has very often operated on the minds of persons composing such committees, and must have influenced their actions; many times inducing them to report favorably which perhaps they thought in their own consciences that the candidates were rather below the strict standard of what should constitute the qualifications of a brother. They would, perhaps, argue in this wise: "We do not know of anything *actually bad* in his character, but yet his habits are a little *loose*. Still, as Brother A has proposed him, we may as well report favorably." The candidate is admitted. He is in turn appointed on a committee and reports "favorable" a few shades lower on the social scale. This member also in turn does likewise.

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And so on, until the words "little loose" have no application, and "actually bad" becomes the fact. This is all wrong. Again, the committee selected may not feel inclined to devote the time or have the time to spare, necessary for the fullest inquiry into the candidate's antecedents, or even his present habits; and are therefore contented, it not actually satisfied, with the recommendations given by the references specially mentioned by the person desiring to become a member. Of course it is not at all likely that the candidate will refer to anyone who would know the evil side of his character, if he has one; and yet a close inquiry from his neighbors or former acquaintances, or even his present business connections, might perhaps easily have led to a complete unveiling of a man whose life was nothing more than a living lie.

Another cause arises from the haste of young lodges to make members, without caring to inquire into the qualifications of those they admit, or even fixing a standard for the guidance of their investigating committees. Under these circumstances many persons, not entirely up to that highly moral standard which should characterize a Mason, become members of the Craft, and they induce others equally objectionable to join; for notwithstanding the fact that no person is ever directly asked to become a member of a Masonic lodge, still there are many ways by which friends and acquaintances may be induced to do a thing, and yet suppose they are doing it solely of their own free will and accord. After a while these recklessly made members bring discord into their lodge, and in order to get rid of them they are requested to form a lodge of their own, which in too many cases they obtain the necessary permission to do. The result must naturally be, and is, injurious to the welfare and

dignity of that time-honored institution, Free and Accepted Masonry.

Leaving this part of the subject for the present, we will touch upon the second proposition. "What is the remedy to prevent others from falling into the same sad state?"

*First.* Let no member of a lodge propose as a candidate any man with whom he is not personally acquainted, and with whose history, for at least one or two years, he is not thoroughly conversant, no matter who the person may be who desires him so to do.

*Second.* When a candidate is proposed, let every member of the lodge consider it part of his duty to find out for himself something about the person thus offered for membership, and if unworthy or suspicious, report the facts to some of the officers of the lodge—such reports to be kept secret—so that the proposition might be returned.

*Third.* Every member of an investigating committee should perform his duty strictly, and without fear or partiality. Should the candidate be objectionable, the committee man should act manfully, and report as his conscience dictates, no matter who may propose the candidate; for if a bad man be admitted through his negligence, all the evils that follow rest upon his shoulders.

*Fourth.* Do not confine your inquiries to the set down references, but extend them in all possible directions. Such strictures will not harm a good man, and may lead to the detection of a bad one. In such cases there cannot be too close an investigation.

*Fifth.* Use the black ball only when deserved, that is, when a candidate is *really not fit*, to be made a Mason. A lodge should not be wronged either by rejecting a good man from personal motives or admitting a bad man. If merely personally objectionable, re-

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Let it be . . .

## • MASONRY IN ACTION

WB Pedro D. Melendez (40) •

*(Inaugural Address delivered in a Joint Installation of Officers of Maguindanao Lodge No. 40 and Macajalar Lodge No. 184, on January 25, 1969 in Cagayan de Oro City)*

This evening is indeed a most significant occasion in more than one way. This is the first time in the history of local Masonry that a joint installation of officers is being done, signifying the unity and cooperation of the two Masonic Lodges in this city, to give validity to the contention that cooperation is more desirable than competition. The signal honor that has been conferred upon me by my brethren of Maguindanao Lodge No. 40 and her daughter, Macajalar Lodge No. 184, almost overwhelms me.

I hope that I am not revealing a secret when I say that in the election of our officers, Masonic rules and regulations forbid nomination and campaigning, a procedure that stems from the assumption that it is not the person seeking the office, but the position seeking the man. I do not mean to imply that I consider myself better qualified or the lesser evil than others, but that our election is meant to be the untrammelled expression of the free and spontaneous will of the members. It is highly significant that Free and Accepted Masons are taught and urged to value their right of suffrage and to express their opinions without fear or favor.

I happen to be the 35th Master of Maguindanao Lodge No. 40 and I consider it a privilege and honor to be counted among stalwarts who honorably led this organization and uphold the good name and prestige of Freemasonry in this valley. I need not recite the names of past masters who were also leaders in the community.

To the members of Macajalar Lodge No. 184, I want to express my deep appreciation for the generous act of the Master, VWB Ralloma, in foregoing his installation with me and instead undertook the task of installing me alone, thus affording me the spotlight tonight. I feel also greatly honored by the presence of our distinguished guests and especially by our guest of honor (Sen. Salonga) who has graciously gone out of his way to be with us this evening.

While I feel deeply honored by the manifestations of your good will and friendship, I realize the tremendous responsibilities I have assumed in the stewardship of this organization of Free and Accepted Masons. I tremble at the thought that the burden of heading a group of matured, intelligent, tried and tested men, men of various religious beliefs and convictions, of varying idiosyncracies, is not an easy task.

With your kind indulgence, permit me to outline to you what I consider my task in the advancement of the objectives of our fraternity. Masonry is generally but erroneously known to be a secret society. There is nothing secret about the principles and tenets of Freemasonry. What is considered secret refers to the mode and manner of recognition or identity of the members, whether in the dark or in the light.

The doctrine of the brotherhood of man under the Fatherhood of God is a basic teaching of the fraternity. Ours is not a religion, although its

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teachings are highly religious. No man can become a member unless he believes in the existence of God and in the immortality of the human soul. An atheist cannot be a Mason. And we claim that Masonry is the forerunner of ecumenism for long before ecumenists brought forth fresh winds coming from Vatican pronouncements, the fraternity had been propagating and practising ecumenism. In this order, you will find among its votaries Catholics, Protestants, Muslims, Buddhists, Hindus and others. Recognizing the dignity of man as a creature and child of God, we proclaim that we are all brothers. Of course, human experience shows that members of a family can have and do have misunderstandings, even as we know Cain killed his brother Abel out of jealousy. Man has miserably failed to observe the spirit of brotherhood because human nature is inclined towards evil. At any rate, in our society we are taught and urged to overcome that weakness and we are enjoined to learn to subdue our passions. We are taught to discipline ourselves and we are constantly reminded of this obligation by the symbols employed, such as the compass which teaches us to circumscribe our desires within due bounds. This teaching, I submit, is very relevant in this modern jet age. No less than President Marcos recognizes the serious conditions obtaining in our country when he said that we are sitting on the top of a seething social volcano.

It is therefore fitting that Masons start having a dialogue, not only among themselves, but with our friends and brethren in other groups. For, certainly there are areas where we can unite and work together on undertakings that will redound to the benefit of the community and our people. For example, we can join hands in supporting credit unions,

and the cooperative movement which has a very auspicious beginning in this city, with the encouragement and involvement of the dominant or majority church. I propose that Masons in Mindanao participate in promoting the cooperative movement by helping the educational program of the Southern Philippines Educational Cooperative Center (SPECC).

We shall also involve ourselves in the promotion of work among our youth by supporting the program of the YMCA, boy and girl scouting, and other groups seeking to develop the youth physically, mentally and morally, in line with the slogan that "it is better to build youth than to mend men."

We shall also give support to our public schools by offering incentives for and recognition of outstanding accomplishments of those engaged in the noble teaching profession. For example, we would like to give some kind of encouragement to teachers who contribute to the cultural and educational enrichment of our country. To cite specific cases: During the last Misamis Oriental Provincial Athletic Meet, a teacher of the Misamis Oriental High School choreographed an interpretative dance, entitled EXODUS, depicting the labors and aspirations of our people. Another public school teacher composed a poem dedicated to the backbone of the nation—the farmer—and it was set to music by the Misamis Oriental Public School Teachers' Band. We consider that such efforts and achievements should not go unnoticed and we would like to see that public recognition is given them.

The Grand Lodge of the Philippines and the Supreme Council, Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, have for years directed Masons and Masonic Lodges to involve themselves in civic and community development projects. We

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# Philosophy in Masonry

WB Eugenio Padua, PM (51)

## UNDER THE TONGUE OF GOOD REPORT

A poor blind "candidate," knocking at the door, seeking to be brought from darkness to light, cannot expect to gain that favor unless well recommended and coming under "the tongue of good report."

Rabban Gamaliel, member of the Sanhedrin and teacher of Saul (who later became St. Paul), sent his servant Tobi to buy the best food available in the market. Tobi brought an ox tongue. Gamaliel then sent him back to buy the worst thing he could find. Tobi returned with another ox tongue. Asked to explain, the wise Tobi said: "There is nothing better than a good tongue and nothing worse than an evil tongue." (*The Wisdom of Israel*, by Lewis Stone.)

Dionysius the Areopagite, who had been converted by Paul, said: "Let your speech be better than silence, or be silent."

There is a legend that when King Solomon succeeded his father, he summoned all the little birds of his kingdom and made them his spies, listening to conversations all over the land

thus enabling Solomon to know quickly who his enemies were. This was the basis of the expression, "A little bird told me." There were in those days many a slip of the tongue that cost the head.

Of the evil tongue, *Ecclesiasticus* says that "a blow from a whip raises a welt but a blow from the tongue smashes bones" and "many have fallen by the edge of the sword but not as many as those by the tongue." Further, "if you blow upon a spark it quickens into flame," but "if you spit on it, it dies out; yet both these you do with your mouth."

On the other hand, a good tongue could be one of good report. Indeed, it could be "the ambassador of the heart." Or, as Sir Walter Raleigh says in his instructions to his son, "the tongue is the instrument of the greatest good or of the greatest evil that is done in the world." The English courtier, historian and poet further says that "honour and shame is in the talk, and the tongue of a man causeth him to fall."

"O that one would set a watch over my mouth that my tongue destroy me not!" (*The Book of Wisdom*.) △

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## THE MISSION . . . From page 2

his Masonic literacy. Not without pardonable pride must we tell you that your Cabletow is received by over three hundred Grand Lodges and Masonic magazines around the world and occasionally we receive commendatory letters. Also, orally and in writing sometimes, we receive congratulations and gratitude from brethren here and abroad. What we

are trying to say is that the Cabletow, with all its faults and imperfections, does give some Masonic information which is appreciated by many of its readers.

It is not gainsaying the fact that your Cabletow does teach something however unimportant or inconsequential it may be. It is no surprise that many brethren are thankful that in

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some of the lines of the Cabletow, something so little known may catch the attention of a reader and with it, he may be instructed. Ignorance could be bliss; it is not a misfortune to be ignorant. What is tragic is ignorance of ignorance. And many brethren appreciate the fact that in some way or another they get instruction from the pages of the Cabletow.

And now the third I, *inspire*. Bro. Thomas Alva Edison, the famous inventor, once said that success is 99 per cent perspiration and 1 per cent inspiration. The inspiring mission of the Cabletow, quite understandably, is minuscule. Maybe, it is a word of commendation, a line of suggestion, or a breath of aspiration. Sometimes though, it clicks. The results may not be discernible immediately; it may take months or years. But when it connects, there is no limit to what inspired brothers can do.

Sometime ago, we made mention of Lodges led by young Masons as being progressive and generally free from financial problems. We were impressed, and said so, that in the installation programs during December, January and February, so many Lodges had so many young brothers to lead them in the ensuing Masonic year. We have one particular Lodge in mind. For years we have observed this Lodge going the even tenor of its ways: dry opening and closing, sleepy business meetings, hardly any new candidate from year to year, indebted to the Grand Lodge for half a dozen years or more, *ad nauseam*. This year, by the grace of the oldsters, the young men took over. In spite of their small membership, they had a public installation, their first in ten years. By this month, March, they have had three candidates, all young men, they are working on, with more to follow. And, this is not the only Lodge we can report on. Many other Lodges can be referred to,

Lodges which could have been waiting to surrender or have their charters arrested, waiting for *deus ex machina* to solve their ills. Since nothing happened that way, they tackled the bull by the horns, went to work, and now, they are well on the way to recovery and progress.

The E, *entertain*. Many magazines have good jokes on their pages as a welcome respite from their serious stories and articles. Unfortunately, we are not good at reading jokes; we have no talent for making or telling them; we would rather shy away from discussing this part of the mission of a magazine. Anyway, we know a Saturday place where reading jokes is their *forte*. For three fifty, you get a good meal topped with jokes read to their heart's content.

Now, the final I, *involvement*. Heretofore, we have discussed *information*, *instruction*, and *inspiration* as conglomerated in the mission of our Masonic magazine, The Cabletow. *Involvement* should top it.

In his term, MW Schon, had, as one of the objectives of his administration, the involvement of the brethren in the government at the local level — to help local officials in their thankless jobs, regardless of their party affiliations, to the end that the government can be made responsive to the needs of the communities it serves. At the start, we felt that this was encroaching on political matters and things could go out of hand. The implementation however, was done with care and integrity and the officials concerned appreciated the efforts of the Masons in their localities. The Grand Master's program, we supported to the hilt and we have seen first hand its beneficial effects as well as heard the gratitude of the local officials.

It was our fortune to help the NBI with its program of making known

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## Schon's Short Short Speeches---

*At the Regional Masonic Convention of Mindanao and Sulu Lodges, Cagayan de Oro City, March 14, 1969.*

One of the nicest things that occurred to me, as I came in into this hall, is the fact that I recognize just about every face here. This indicates to me that all of us have met in the past. I guess I have been travelling quite a bit in the last four years and I have had the opportunity of greeting you in one form or another, in one place or another, in the past and now, we meet again on the eve of my term as Grand Master. Now, I have one of the most delightful feelings, a feeling of great warmth. This is the last large gathering that I am attending before the Annual Communication next month, on the 22nd of April.

I can see from the program and from the attitude of the brethren here that a great deal of initial hard work and preparation had gone into the planning for the convention. For that I wish to congratulate those officers and those who have done so much to bring us together in this hall and I know without doubt in my mind that this convention will be successful; first of all, because the very theme of the convention is such as to make anyone's heart beat in patriotism for this country.

We can do a great deal; we have done a great deal and we will do a great deal more along this line. National progress is probably the theme that I had occasion to express the most, during my term as Grand Master. If you remember my inaugural address, the whole message there was devoted to a pattern and manner of obtaining success in government, in making this nation what it should be, why it should be, how it should be, great for the rest of the world to see. There is not one single solitary reason why a nation as the Republic of

the Philippines cannot stand out among other nations in a shining manner. There does not seem to be any reason, but still it has not happened. Is this not correct?

Now, why don't we get down to the facts? Let us try to reason this thing out. You have, I believe, as I observed, just about everything that it takes, to make a go of this nation. But somehow or other, only some of these strides have been made and consequently, only a few great goals had been achieved. Still in a militant manner, these goals and these strides have not come fast enough or sufficient enough to keep pace with the world as it is moving today. Now I think we all agree, and that is the purpose I believe, of this convention, that we should find ways and means by which our nation will come into its own. We, or I, have no desire to talk about the usual topics such as graft, corruption, etc. That is for others to discuss. Let us not discuss those here.

We have to take a positive stand. It is so easy to blame others for graft, corruption, etc. But why don't we decide here and now to develop a manner in which we don't have to use those words any more. The basis of my philosophy in my term has been the building up of the great nation of the Philippines through our sincere, direct aid to elective and appointed government officials. I am sure that you recognize the difficulty that immediately arises because everybody thinks "why should I help the government, it is nationalista-controlled; I am a liberal, etc?"

When a man is elected, he does not serve his party, he serves the nation.

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And as such a representative or employee of his government, he deserves your support, whether you are of his party or not. We have got this down to the basis that a man should stay in office because of his qualifications and not because of his party. Now, if a liberal is elected and you support him fully as a nationalista, and he should fail, the next time around, elect officials on the basis of their qualifications not only on the basis of their political affiliations.

If we in the Philippines could ever get this point, I think your nation

will be strong overnight and you will not have anymore of this reason of decrying its advance, or lack of advance, to such things as graft and corruption. Those things have to fall by the wayside if we are to accomplish an unselfish support for them.

Let's think about these during this convention. That is the only thought that I consider my own contribution to this convention and if you can settle in your own mind that method, then you don't have to worry very much as to the status of the Republic of the Philippines in the future. Δ

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*To the brethren of Masonic District No. 24 in Convention in Tayug, Pangasinan, March 29, 1969:*

It is indeed unfortunate that circumstances are such that I can not be with you today in body, but you may rest assured that I am with you in spirit.

I feel, as I come into the twilight of my term as your Grand Master, that I should exert a special effort to emphasize the importance of our position in the community. As Masons, we are unique in that our actions and our conduct are forever relentlessly under the scrutiny of our fellow-citizens. And for that reason, we must always be exemplary in the image we project to our fellow-men.

The most essential attribute of a Mason is his *love* for the time-honored Fraternity which has brought us together as Brethren. In this respect we are the elite among men. And because of this we must always see to it that we conduct ourselves in public and in private in such a manner that those who are not Masons may look upon us with envy; that such men as we can live as we do in a close-knit, and balanced, and strife-free society as is ours.

Dignity — that ingrained dignity that we must have as men and as Masons — is the prime requisite to seal our status in the minds of our families and our community. We must always have in mind that, as leaders, we must be the source of light to others. We must exemplify the virtues of Masonic life to such an extent that others will knock at our doors with a zeal to be a part of our ideology — that they might partake of the same fountain of inspiration as we do ourselves.

In our status we can never afford to be just ordinary mortals. We must always elevate our thoughts and our actions to a level that corresponds with the high ideals of our Masonic teachings.

You may think that I am shooting at too high a mark, but in that you are wrong. To my mind there is absolutely *no limit* to the heights we can reach as Masons, or the goals we can achieve.

My Brethren, I ask you to make that extra small effort that will dis-

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# *Students in Action*

BRO. ELPIDIO A. ADALIA (65)

The present uprisings of Filipino students are said to be a "splurge of adventurism" which have come after painful waiting. This activism was precipitated by the strike of public school teachers in the city of Manila. Articulated in various forms and behavior, this mass restlessness has deeply rocked our country.

We live in a fast changing world. This movement is a psychological shift of attitude from the old and conservative view of life to the present dynamic and militant temper. Our present youths are children of the last Japanese War and they still feel its wildest impulses and tremors.

For one thing the Filipino students hate exorbitant school fees. They abhor economic oppression. It is observed that student leaders are children of well-to-do parents and are intrigued by these institutions that grow richer. Those who join the strikes want to see real changes; others are mere enthusiasts who are amused by thrills and excitements; others want to be recognized and to be counted, and others are pressed by threats.

Filipino students are now beginning to see themselves—their potentialities and capabilities, and feeling they are also important, they hitch for the stars. This feeling of independence and competency imbue them with self-respect and dignity and are getting obsessed by it.

This is an era of freedom and advancement. The 20th century youths are a vast political and sociological complex phenomenon. They eschew the autocratic rule implanted in this soil by eastern conquerors. They demand academic freedom, even religious freedom in sectarian schools and

revolt against censorship of school press. They decry their predicament and say that the school paper is a mere propaganda tool of the institution and not a forum for student-teacher dialogues and confrontations. This tug-of-war between students and school authorities resulted in bitter strifes, so much so when the students' demands are not met and satisfied.

Some of our youths are inwardly empty. They are restless about their existence and feel sadly awry and insecure at every turn. Some of them are children of broken homes, who grow up in an environment that is not conducive to moral and healthful living. They lost the tender touch of parents who are morally lost, brutalized by vices and broken in spirit. These youths are hungry for their love and they need fellowship, recognition and belonging.

Even our school curricula have not met their deepest needs. Unfortunately, our educational system and objectives seem far-fetched, confused and mixed up and deeply punctuated by "foreign borrowings." We need a kind of educational system that is relevant and more indigenous to meet the needs and challenges of our Philippine contemporary life. Our youths have become nationalistic and intolerant of exotic characters and foreign tendencies and they prefer to see their country "run like hell by Filipinos than to see it run like heaven by foreigners." These are mighty signs of changes and our youths have become more assertive of their rights.

We live at such a time when the youths constitute the greater bulk of the world population. These youngsters want to involve themselves in

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the affairs of mankind and to participate in making decisions. Ours is not an isolated happening, but is manifestly of a world-wide change of behavior and temper.

Our statistics show that the Philippine rate of increase in population is the highest in Southeast Asia today. About 60% of our total population is between 18-21 years of age. This figure is quite disturbing, for the youths which constitute a wider segment of our population if misguided and lost, would be a huge force to disrupt our national peace. This predicament certainly confronts our government, our schools, our homes and our churches, and their rise could either be a bane or boon, a peril or opportunity, and we who have better light should shed more of its radiance to them.

Why have our youths gone more furious and agog these days? Have our basic institutions failed them miserably? Could we admit that we are a party to them for being neglectful of our duties as parents, school mentors and responsible public officials? Is it amiss to say that one cause of their discontent is due to corruptions committed by public officials in high places, and even school teachers who are supposed to be models and examples are sold out to what they say and do? Under these conditions, how can we say that the youths are the fair hopes of the Fatherland and what kind of leaders do we expect of them under the spell of these massive demonstrations?

How about sitting with them, discussing their problems and listening with candor to what they say? It is timely that we meet them where they are, to know their plight as well as their aspirations, make them feel they are important, and guide them to participate in the affairs and policies of their institutions. While they grow sooner to adulthood, they shall have

## 1969 MALINAW LODGE NO. 25 OFFICERS INSTALLED

The brethren of Malinaw Lodge No. 25 of F. & A.M. re-elected WB Rouben C. Belulia, Assistant Personnel Manager of Franklin Baker Company of the Philippines, San Pablo City, as its Worshipful Master for 1969, an overwhelming endorsement of his active, continuing, and conscientious Masonic services in 1968. Officers for 1969 were installed last February 22, 1979 at their lodge temple at Zulueta Street, San Pablo City.

Hon. Cesar P. Dizon, Mayor of San Pablo City, was the guest of honor and speaker. VWB Cirilo D. Constantino, Pact District Deputy Grand Master for Masonic District No. 11, inducted the lodge officers.

VWB Ricardo C Buenafe, Laguna Provincial Treasurer and District Deputy Grand Master of Masonic District No. 11, WB Amado Mabul, Inspector for Malinaw Lodge No. 25, represented the Grand Lodge of the Philippines in the ceremonies. WB Leonardo Z. Macalalad, PM of Pignagsabitan Lodge No. 26, acted as Master of Ceremonies.

Musical intermission numbers were rendered by Miss Lerma and Boyet Reyes. After the program highlights of the social hour were the presenta-

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been properly oriented to take over important and sensitive positions for national leadership. This will give them initiative and inspiration and fulfillment.

This is the genius of democracy wherein we could freely express ourselves despite our diverse and sundry opinions to enhance peace and prosperity thru mutual understanding and cooperation of a people who are themselves sovereign. △

# GRAVEL AND SAND

## *A Report on Masonic Activities*

NBM

First prizier in individual net scores in the Second Annual Knights of Columbus-Freemasons golf tourney on March 8, 1969, was Bro. Francisco Alejo, a Freemason. Eighty years young, he carded 76 in the 18-hole event. Once more was factuated our usual belief that Freemasons find it easier to live their twilight years than others because early in their Craft years they learned "to subdue their passions and keep their desires within due bounds toward all mankind."

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You remember how Bro. Paul Revere, simultaneous with the throwing away of English tea sacks in Boston harbor, rode his horse to tell the other American colonials near and far, that the American revolution was on. Besides being a Freemason, he was an artificer in metals, a silversmith. That was over two hundred years ago, but even today, his name is magic in silver. A three-piece tea set he designed and made in his time sold last year for \$70,000.00.

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Last month we wrote about a little cripple from Cavite who was flown to San Francisco to be treated at the Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children there. The Shriners Club in Cavite, officered by Nobles Francisco Ricafrente, Ray Field, Norm Jurinski, James Anderson, and Tony Pagkalina-wan, and a constituency of two dozen other Nobles did more for little *Adora Bilang*. They raised \$300.00 for her pocket money and a Noble took her to the commissary, had her outfitted for winter and spring includ-

ing the suitcase and picked up the tab.

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At the reactivation of Hamtik Lodge No. 76 in San Jose, Antique, February 10, 1969, the Judiciary had its day. Taking part in the program were Bro. Justice Calixto Zaldivar of the Supreme Court, Senior Warden of Bagumbayan Lodge No. 4 and a new Knight Commander of the Court of Honor in the Scottish Rite, guest speaker; VW Valerio Rovira, Judge of the Court of First Instance of Iloilo and District Deputy Grand Master for Occidental Negros and Panay, who introduced Justice Zaldivar; and VW Noli Ma. Cortez, Judge of the Court of First Instance of Antique, Past Grand Orator, who was Master of Ceremonies.

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"Benitez Receives Benitez Cup" could properly headline the distribution of prizes at the fellowship party of the Second Annual Knights of Columbus-Freemasons Golf Fest on March 8, 1969. MW Conrado Benitez, PGM and Illustrious Sovereign Grand Commander of the Scottish Rite, with MW Joseph E. Schon, Grand Master, received the big loving championship cup from Bro. Francisco Tantoco, District Deputy of District No. 35 and Bro. Lejano, Grand Knight of Council No. 3695, Knights of Columbus, in representation of the Freemasons who won the tourney. Last year MW Benitez donated the championship cup as a perpetual prize in the annual tourney.

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Bro. Tiburcio Baja, a retired Ambassador, visited us in the office last month to buy shares of stock in the Capitol Masonic Corporation and exchanged ideas with us particularly on Masonry. He impressed us with his "testimony" that in all his years of involvement in church, YMCA and other civic clubs, he finds greater satisfaction in his new involvement in Lodge work and in Masonry in general. He finds a new joy in mixing with brethren in all walks of life. That week we shot the breeze, we heard MW Joseph Seltzer, PGM of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, here on a tour, say something along the same line. MW Seltzer, a retired food manufacturer, not of alka-something as some might be tempted to say, also said in effect that try as hard he would, he cannot do enough for Masonry. The more he does, he says, the more he finds there is a lot more to do for Masonry seeing how much more Masonry has done for him.

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The Josefa Llanes Escoda Chapter No. 10, OES, Dumaguete City, installed their officers for 1969 on January 25 at the Mt. Kaladias Masonic Temple. Those installed are: Sis. Libertad O. Calderon, Worthy Matron; Bro. Felimon Bobon, Worthy Patron; Sis. Victoria B. Florendo, Associate Matron; Bro. Demetrio Navarro, Associate Patron; Sis. Concepcion M. Uzurrum, Secretary; Sis. Beatriz Lim, Treasurer; Sis. Jovita Corsino, Conductress; Sis. Ruth Velasco, Associate Conductress; Sis. Segundina Estacion. Chaplain; Sis. Beverly Lim, Marshal; Bro. Zoe Lopez, Organist; Sis. Esperanza Mirafuentes, Adah; Sis. Araceli Calderon, Ruth; Sis. Estrella Kiamco, Esther; Sis. Virginia Almarez, Martha; Sis. Genoveva Macalisang, Electa; Sis. Lourdes Quial, Warder; Bro. Felix Gaudiel, Sentinel and Bros. Benjamin Corsino,

Manuel B. Uzurrum and Ramon Ponce de Leon, Trustees.

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Our thanks to MW Cenon Cervantes, PGM, a member of the Board of Directors, Masonic Hospital for Crippled Children, Inc. for inviting us to their meeting, March 11, 1969. Thereat MW Vicente Orosa, PGM, President of the corporation, RW Macario Navia, HPDGM, and WB Leon Santiago, PM, Secretary, reported that three of them made a trip to the U.S. Naval Base at Olongapo City to attend the installation of officers of the Subic Shrine Club. At the affair, the Nobles of the Shrine Club gave a donation of ₱2,000.00 to the Masonic Hospital. The Nobles promised to give more at a future date.

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When reading the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia for 1968, we came across an item in the Grand Master's report that VW Sinforsoso Padilla, Past Grand Orator of our Grand Lodge, who now resides with his family in Halifax, was one of the distinguished visitors accorded special welcome at their Grand Lodge Communication in May 1968. VW Padilla is a PM of Bagumbayan Lodge No. 4.

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In the December 1968 issue of *The Freemason*, Canada's National Masonic Magazine, we read the story of a unique Masonic meeting on June 22, 1968. It was the annual communication of Golden Rule Lodge No. 5, of Golden Rule, Quebec, held at the top of Owl's Head Mountain near the town of Mansonville, some 80 miles from Montreal. As far as known, this is the only open air Lodge meeting in the world annually held by Golden Rule Lodge. On the mountain top there is a natural amphitheater.

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# *From Darkness to Light*

BRO. SAMUEL P. FERNANDEZ, WM (148)

Joining the mystic tie of Freemasonry came late in my life. It was my portion at first to learn negatively what Masonry was. My friends who are associated in the Christian ministry do not look favorably upon this fraternity. To them, this is a cult, a secret body that puts priority to its stated meetings and fellowships above ecclesiastical responsibilities. Slowly, I brainwashed myself into believing that no good Mason can become a good Christian. In the psychic realm of my mind, I built a wall of animosity based on prejudice, ignorance, and lack of understanding of the tenets of Freemasonry against this fraternal organization. I was in the dark. It was ignorance that had the better of me and before long I realized I had been imprisoned in a wall I myself created because I chose to zealously safeguard a biased belief. I, therefore, allowed the virtue of my religious dogma to be tested by other social and fraternal loyalties so that I would know where I stood. It was only then that I started to soar into the mysteries of Freemasonry.

Six years ago, right after graduation, I was invited to join the School of Humanities and Sciences at the Lyceum of the Philippines. Besides teaching sociology and philosophy, I was made to handle the "Life and Works of Dr. Jose Rizal." As I probed into the life of our national hero, it dawned on me that his ideas were not only influenced by the Period of Enlightenment in Europe but by masonic tenets as well. As if to satiate my intellectual curiosity, I found out later that our national heroes from Aguinaldo, Mabini, Lopez-Jaena, Antonio Luna, Bonifacio, del Pilar down to the other revolutionary generals

were Masons; a fact practically unknown on the pages of our history books. This I was kept ignorant of despite the fact that at that time I was working for my fifth academic degree. In my further investigation, I found out after a dialogue with the Dean of the School of Journalism, that the French, Mexican, and American revolutions had key men who were Masons.

This was the pivotal point of my search for a Mason who would graciously tell me what this fraternity is all about. Then I found Bro. Leon Echaves of the City Hall, who answered all the questions I asked.

On October 6, 1966, I was exalted to the sublime degree of Master Mason at the Noli Me Tangere Lodge 148.

Now I am a Mason, paraphrasing the Scottish Rite Creed: The cause of human progress has become my own cause; the enfranchisement of human thought, my supreme wish; the freedom of conscience, my mission; and the guarantee of equal rights to all people everywhere, the end of my contention.

Freemasonry transcends all types of religion. It is one fraternity that makes a brother encourage another brother to be good in the practice of his faith even if he does not share the same with him. Tolerance is a way of life among the brethren. You are a Mason not because of your religious creed or racial color but because deep in your heart the Grand Architect of the Universe, has seen fit that as a Mason, you translate your religious, political, and social concerns to deeds not in the spirit of contention but in the spirit of love for the sake of humanity. △

# All About Ecumenism

News and Views on the Ecumenical Movement

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While typing the head for this column, our fingers wandered much too far and too soon; it went: "Ecumenisin." It just proves how many an error could be right! Who can now prove that sin is not ecumenical?

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In his remarks at the KC-FAM program, March 8, 1969, MW Schon told about the program of Masons in helping materially and morally the government officials, especially at the grass roots level, in the performance of their duties and in pursuing their objectives of good government; he told how government officials and employees appreciate the efforts of the Masons to make their tasks easier for them; and invited the Knights of Columbus to pursue a program like it in their own contacts with the people. MW Schon proposed that each fraternity maintain its own identity and program but both work toward the same objective, that of helping local, provincial and national officials to the end that good government may be ecumenical too.

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Time reports that early last month the Texas Council of Churches, up till then Protestant, and the ten dioceses of the state's Catholic Conference joined together to form a new Texas Council of Churches, which thus became the most representative U.S. body linking Protestants, Catholics and Eastern Orthodox.

Member churches will retain their own identities, doctrines and devotions. The constitution of the conference commits them to "doing to-

gether all things save those which we must in conscience and obedience do separately. cultivating interchurch fellowships throughout the state and fostering dialogues in the realm of faith and order." In the future, the social action programs of the Texas Catholic Conference will probably be merged with similar programs run by the council. Eventually, predicted San Antonio's Roman Catholic Archbishop Robert E. Lucey, the work of the new organization will extend "the whole field of the church and society."

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There is in southern Japan a group of some 30,000 Christians spread out in various towns and hamlets of the area, calling themselves *kakure kirishitan* — hidden Christians, who, while largely Catholic in dogma and rite, do not count themselves among the 135,000 Roman Catholics of Japan. They do not consider themselves under the authority of the Pope, though they are the offsprings of the converts to Christianity since St. Francis Xavier landed in Japan in 1549

For over three centuries they risked torture and death at the hands of the Tokogawa shoguns who closed Japan to Christian missionaries. Those hidden Christians, to outlive persecution, pretended to be Buddhists or Shintoists while in private they said their rosaries and adored their images of St. Mary and Jesus, hoping someday the priests would come back. And yet, today, one hundred years after Japan was reopened to missionaries, they remain separated from

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# Symbolic Lodge Officers for 1969

## Masonic District No. 1, Manila

### Bagumbayan No. 4

Location: Plaridel Masonic Temple  
Stated Meeting: 2nd Wednesday

Wor. Master: Jose Ostrea  
Senior Warden: Calixto O. Zaldivar  
Junior Warden: Artemio G. Bayas  
Treasurer: Narciso C. Roque  
Secretary: Teotimo G. Juan  
Address: 64 Bagumbuhay St.  
Galas, Quezon City

### Island-Luz-Minerva No. 5

Location: Plaridel Masonic Temple  
Stated Meeting: 3rd Saturday

Wor. Master: Angel Salanga, Jr.  
Senior Warden: Leonardo de Castro  
Junior Warden: Gregorio L. Salazar  
Treasurer: Basilio J. Enriquez  
Secretary: Porfirio A. Romulo  
Address: 443 Lt. Artiaga,  
San Juan, Rizal

### Biak-Na-Bato No. 7

Location: Plaridel Masonic Temple  
Stated Meeting: 2nd Tuesday

Wor. Master: Juanito U. Fernandez  
Senior Warden: Jaime M. Zamora  
Junior Warden: Gerardo A. Teotico  
Treasurer: Mariano Sanchez  
Secretary: Oscar L. Fung  
Address: 446 Quezon Blvd.  
Quiapo, Manila

### Nilad No. 12

Location: Plaridel Masonic Temple  
Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday

Wor. Master: Ponciano B. Jacinto  
Senior Warden: Roman F. Careaga  
Junior Warden: Macario C. Ofilada, Jr.  
Treasurer: Amado C. Pineda  
Secretary: Jose E. Racela  
Address: P.O. Box 1921, Manila

### Walana No. 13

Location: Plaridel Masonic Temple  
Stated Meeting: 3rd Wednesday

Wor. Master: Ambrosio Lorenzo, Sr.  
Senior Warden: Nemesio Ramos  
Junior Warden: Amado Ramad  
Treasurer: Luis San Juan  
Secretary: Leo Ferrer  
Address: P.O. Box 1921, Manila

### Dalisay No. 14

Location: Plaridel Masonic Temple  
Stated Meeting: 1st Tuesday

Wor. Master: Amor T. Banda  
Senior Warden: Jesus S. Castillo

Junior Warden: Reuben M. Abenojar  
Treasurer: Bayani B. Ibarrola  
Secretary: Domingo C. Argente  
Address: 2400 Havana, Sta. Ana  
Manila

### Sinukuan No. 16

Location: Plaridel Masonic Temple  
Stated Meeting: 2nd Friday

Wor. Master: Henry Ang-Hessing  
Senior Warden: Virgilio S. Atienza  
Junior Warden: James C. Go  
Treasurer: Francisco R. Floro  
Secretary: Gavino de Castro  
Address: 2528 Tindalo,  
Tondo, Manila

### Araw No. 18

Location: Plaridel Masonic Temple  
Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday

Wor. Master: Rolando Tan  
Senior Warden: Alberto C. Reyes  
Junior Warden: Cesar Bautista  
Treasurer: Jose N. Quedding  
Secretary: Pedro P. Aguda  
Address: 599 Dr. M.V. de los  
Santos, Samp., Manila

### Dapitan No. 21

Location: Plaridel Masonic Temple  
Stated Meeting: 3rd Saturday

Wor. Master: Don M. Ferry  
Senior Warden: Santiago Llave  
Junior Warden: Nilo G. Mendoza  
Treasurer: Augusto C. Sanchez  
Secretary: Jose C. Punzalan  
Address: 1340 United Nations Ave.  
Manila

### Jose Rizal No. 22

Location: Plaridel Masonic Temple  
Stated Meeting: 4th Friday

Wor. Master: Nicasio G. Go  
Senior Warden: Nicasio P. Mayuga  
Junior Warden: Pedro B. Aguila  
Treasurer: Obdulio A. Andin  
Secretary: Mariano T. Pagarigan  
Address: C/o Office of the In-  
surance Commissioner,  
Manila

### Batong Buhay No. 27

Location: Plaridel Masonic Temple  
Stated Meeting: 2nd Tuesday

Wor. Master: Felix R. Zabab  
Senior Warden: Juanito S. Satana  
Junior Warden: Honrado O. Tengsico  
Treasurer: Remedios E. Racela  
Secretary: Francisco C. Hizon  
Address: 881 Domingo Santiago,  
Manila

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**Zapote No. 29**

Location: Plaridel Masonic Temple  
 Stated Meeting: 3rd Saturday  
 Wor. Master: Alfredo R. Madriaga  
 Senior Warden: Jose T. Martinez  
 Junior Warden: Antero T. Jocsón  
 Treasurer: Jose P. Buhay  
 Secretary: Filomeno S. Mariano  
 Address: 4 Road 3 Project 6  
 Quezon City

**Luzon No. 57**

Location: Plaridel Masonic Temple  
 Stated Meeting: 1st Tuesday  
 Wor. Master: Eliseo A. Arandia  
 Senior Warden: Antonio A. Merida  
 Junior Warden: Rodolfo G. Gonzales  
 Treasurer: Go Tuan  
 Secretary: V. P. Flechero  
 Address: 1440 San Marcelino  
 Manila

**Labong No. 59**

Location: Plaridel Masonic Temple  
 Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday  
 Wor. Master: Manuel R. Perez  
 Senior Warden: Pacifico Pagdanganan  
 Junior Warden: Julito Briones  
 Treasurer: Avelino G. Gregorio  
 Secretary: Jose L. Cahiwat  
 Address: 437 Gen. Luna St.  
 Malabon, Rizal

**Kasilawan No. 77**

Location: Plaridel Masonic Temple  
 Stated Meeting: 1st Tuesday  
 Wor. Master: Antonio Y. Yupitun  
 Senior Warden: Eligio B. A. Hernandez  
 Junior Warden: Adolfo C. Santos  
 Treasurer: Rodrigo B. Cheng  
 Secretary: Delfin C. Medel  
 Address: 55 Amado T. Reyes,  
 Mandaluyong, Rizal

**Taga-Ilog No. 79**

Location: Plaridel Masonic Temple  
 Stated Meeting: 4th Saturday  
 Wor. Master: Leopoldo F. Alvarado  
 Senior Warden: Calixto R. Piguerra  
 Junior Warden: Avelino J. Pangilinan  
 Treasurer: Alfonso A. Soriano  
 Secretary: Gregorio C. Niduaza  
 Address: 715 Instruccion,  
 Sampaloc, Manila

**F. D. Roosevelt No. 81.**

Location: Plaridel Masonic Temple  
 Stated Meeting: 3rd Saturday  
 Wor. Master: Luis A. Villanueva  
 Senior Warden: Oliveros C. Digidigan  
 Junior Warden: Baltazar M. Liston  
 Treasurer: Lee Kong Dy  
 Secretary: Alberto Presa  
 Address: 454 Int. 23-B Tayuman  
 Sta. Cruz, Manila

**High Twelve No. 82**

Location: Plaridel Masonic Temple  
 Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday  
 Wor. Master: Restituto F. Cruz  
 Senior Warden: Jorge D. Lomboy, Jr.  
 Junior Warden: Nestor M. Capellan  
 Treasurer: Jose L. Intal  
 Secretary: Gregorio R. Cariaga  
 Address: 2510 M. Natividad St.  
 Sta. Cruz, Manila

**Hiram No. 88**

Location: Plaridel Masonic Temple  
 Stated Meeting: 1st Friday  
 Wor. Master: Leven S. Puno  
 Senior Warden: Wilfredo S. Manlapaz  
 Junior Warden: Felix T. Caro  
 Treasurer: Eddie Sharruf  
 Secretary: Atilano G. Nuñez  
 Address: 12 St. Paul, Cubao,  
 Quezon City

**Service No. 95**

Location: Plaridel Masonic Temple  
 Stated Meeting: 4th Tuesday  
 Wor. Master: Simeon Royeca  
 Senior Warden: Jose Cajucom, Jr.  
 Junior Warden: Kishiu H. Dialdas  
 Treasurer: Job Elizes  
 Secretary: Constantino Rabaya  
 Address: 104 M. H. del Pilar St.  
 San Francisco del Monte  
 Quezon City

**Keystone No. 100**

Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday  
 Wor. Master: Ramon A. Lota  
 Address: Romulo S. Dolojan  
 Secretary: Gregorio C. Manasan  
 Treasurer: Juan A. Rosendo  
 Junior Warden: Cornelio M. Aguirre  
 Senior Warden: 16 Sanciangco, Santol,  
 Quezon City

**Noli Me Tangere No. 148**

Location: Plaridel Masonic Temple  
 Stated Meeting: 1st Wednesday  
 Wor. Master: Fernando Castro  
 Senior Warden: Jose Ang Dy-Pay  
 Junior Warden: Samuel P. Fernandez  
 Treasurer: Generoso R. Cortez  
 Secretary: Leon D. Pelaez  
 Address: 74 Union Civica, Galas,  
 Quezon City

**King Solomon No. 150**

Location: Plaridel Masonic Temple  
 Stated Meeting: 2nd Monday  
 Wor. Master: Perfecto O. Budiao  
 Senior Warden: Benjamin C. Beltran  
 Treasurer: Raul S. Avendaño  
 Treasurer: Antonio S. Militar  
 Secretary: Bonifacio S. Araullo  
 Address: 1040 Josefa Llanes Escoda  
 St., Manila

Manuel Roxas No. 152  
Location: Plaridel Masonic Temple  
Stated Meeting: 2nd Monday  
Wor. Master: Roberto Ocampo  
Junior Warden: Leocadio T. Guingon  
Junior Warden: Hazzar M. Mingoa  
Treasurer: Felix Recio  
Secretary: Romeo T. Pasco  
Address: C/o Scottish Rite Temple  
1828 Taft Ave., Manila

Manila No. 1  
Location: Scottish Rite Temple  
Stated Meeting: 1st Tuesday  
Wor. Master: Henry P. Merrifield  
Junior Warden: Oscar L. Uy  
Junior Warden: Jerry L. Richards  
Treasurer: Jost E. Boehnert  
Secretary: Dominador R. Escosa  
Address: 1213 Lepanto, Sampaloc,

Corregidor-Southern Cross No. 3  
Location: Scottish Rite Temple  
State Meeting: 2nd Thursday  
Wor. Master: Perley H. Shaw  
Senior Warden: Antonio C. S. Ching  
Junior Warden: Ronald W. F. Shave  
Treasurer: George J. Reid  
Secretary: Jack L. Schwartz  
Address: 1828 Taft Ave., Manila

Cosmos No. 8  
Location: Scottish Rite Temple  
Stated Meeting: 2nd Monday  
Wor. Master: Lorenzo Bernardez, Jr.  
Senior Warden: Joaquin Thomas  
Junior Warden: Bernard Kucharyski  
Treasurer: Richard Hart  
Secretary: Robert Cathey  
Address: Scottish Rite Temple  
1828 Taft Avenue, Manila

St. John's No. 9  
Location: Scottish Rite Temple  
Stated Meeting: 2nd Friday  
Wor. Master: Marvin O. Rose  
Senior Warden: Raymond E. Murry  
Junior Warden: Douglas A. Nicoll  
Treasurer: Paul W. Hannaford  
Secretary: Newland Baldwin  
Address: P. O. Box 768,  
Manila

Mt. Lebanon No. 80  
Location: Scottish Rite Temple  
Stated Meeting: 1st Thursday  
Wor. Master: Gerald G. Kaiser  
Senior Warden: Enrique Tayag  
Junior Warden: Angel San Diego  
Treasurer: William Samara  
Secretary: Irving Cryde  
Address: 2nd Floor, Regina-Bldg.  
Escolta, Manila

Mencius No. 93  
Location: Scottish Rite Temple  
Stated Meeting: 1st Wednesday  
Wor. Master: John Linsiu Ong  
Senior Warden: Ting Su Tiok  
Junior Warden: William T. Chua  
Treasurer: Federico J. Chusuey  
Secretary: Benjamin C. Gotamco  
Address: 5-A Tapi St., Talayan Village  
Quezon City

Masonic District No. 2 - Apayao-Cagayan  
Mabini No. 39  
Location: Aparri, Cagayan  
Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday  
Wor. Master: Gabriel Arce  
Senior Warden: Andres Timbang  
Junior Warden: Calixto Aquino  
Treasurer: Gavino Say  
Secretary: Leandro Resurreccion  
Address: Aparri, Cagayan

Gonzaga No. 66  
Location: Tuguegarao, Cagayan  
Stated Meeting: 3rd Saturday  
Wor. Master: Francisco G. Salvado  
Senior Warden: Eduardo Lasam  
Junior Warden: Edilberto Fragante  
Treasurer: Oscar Romero  
Secretary: Leon A. Bañas, Sr.  
Address: Tuguegarao, Cagayan

Rio Chico No. 182  
Location: Tabuk, Kalinga, Apayao  
Stated Meeting: 3rd Saturday  
Wor. Master: Benjamin J. Guiang  
Senior Warden: Ceferino B. Ramirez  
Junior Warden: Felicisimo B. Mundal  
Treasurer: Faustino Eligado  
Secretary: Guillermo V. Bersamin  
Address: Tabuk, Kalinga, Apayao

Masonic District No. 3 - Nueva Vizcaya  
Magat No. 68  
Location: Bayombong, Nueva Vizcaya  
Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday  
Wor. Master: Alberto De La Cruz  
Senior Warden: Carlos L. Hermoso  
Junior Warden: Camilo V. Gallardo  
Treasurer: Pedro Reginalde, Jr.  
Secretary: Sotero A. Torralba, Sr.  
Address: Bayombong, Nueva Vizcaya

Nueva Vizcaya No. 144  
Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday  
Location: Solano, Nueva Vizcaya  
Wor. Master: Jesus D. Cadiente  
Senior Warden: Florencio B. Padilla  
Junior Warden: Noli M. Sagadraca  
Treasurer: Salvador C. Aquino  
Secretary: Narciso P. Tomas  
Address: Solano, Nueva Vizcaya

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**Salinas No. 163**

Location: Bambang, N. Vizcaya

Stated Meeting: 3rd Saturday

Wor. Master: Alberto L. Gampona  
 Senior Warden: Jose Tubayan  
 Junior Warden: Monico Vilaray  
 Treasurer: Vicente Gonzales  
 Secretary: Florentino, Bernardo  
 Address: Bambang, Nueva Vizcaya

**Cordillera No. 178**

Location: Bagabag, N. Vizcaya

Stated Meeting: 4th Saturday

Wor. Master: Eladio A. Dumanan  
 Senior Warden: Bienvenido G. Tecson  
 Junior Warden: Paulino Estabillo  
 Treasurer: Martiniano Bullecer  
 Secretary: Hugo T. Hombrebueno  
 Address: Bayombong, Nueva Vizcaya

**Masonic District No. 4 - Abra-Ilocos Norte-Ilocos Sur****Angalo No. 63**

Location: Vigan, Ilocos Sur

Stated Meeting: 3rd Saturday

Wor. Master: Antonio J. Soller  
 Senior Warden: Lorenzo Arcalal  
 Junior Warden: Felipe Bagviran  
 Treasurer: Jose Tacal, Sr.  
 Secretary: Graciano P. Pada, Sr.  
 Address: Vigan, Ilocos Sur

**Laoag No. 71**

Location: Laoag City, Ilocos Sur

Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday

Wor. Master: Jacinto V. Morales  
 Senior Warden: Catalino Garduque  
 Junior Warden: Juanito S. Manalo  
 Treasurer: Ruperto S. Visaya  
 Secretary: Pacito E. Sacanli  
 Address: P.O. Box 105 Laoag City

**Abra No. 86**

Location: Bangued, Abra

Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday

Wor. Master: Mariano Agosto  
 Senior Warden: Macey Ablan  
 Junior Warden: Elpidio Campol  
 Treasurer: Ildefonso Castillo  
 Secretary: Mariano Tugcay  
 Address: Dolores, Abra

**Lam-Ang No. 164**

Location: Sta. Lucia, Ilocos Sur

Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday

Wor. Master: Salvador M. Valdez  
 Senior Warden: Alejandro B. Lagman  
 Junior Warden: Jose D. Makil  
 Treasurer: David T. Lara  
 Secretary: Teodorico D. Ayson  
 Address: Sta. Maria, Ilocos Sur

**Masonic District No. 5**

La Union-Mt. Province

Baguio No. 67

Location: Baguio City

Stated Meeting: 1st Tuesday

Wor. Master: Arcangel Cervantes  
 Senior Warden: Dominador Ibalio  
 Junior Warden: Donald Gunn  
 Treasurer: Bernardo Diaz  
 Secretary: Arturo C. Plata  
 Address: 31 Legarda Road, Baguio  
 P.O. Box 94, Baguio City,  
 B-202

**Union No. 70**

Location: San Fernando, La Union

Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday

Wor. Master: Florentino C. Cariaso  
 Senior Warden: Anacleto N. Laudencia  
 Junior Warden: Alfredo C. Nebres  
 Treasurer: Enrique M. Salazar  
 Secretary: Doroteo A. Parong,  
 Address: San Fernando, La Union

**Bontoc No. 140**

Location: Bontoc, Mt. Province

Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday

Wor. Master: Gaudencio de Vera  
 Senior Warden: Rufino Chungalao  
 Junior Warden: Jaime K. Gomez  
 Treasurer: Gregorio M. Lumigued  
 Secretary: Severo G. Pimentel  
 Address: Bontoc, Mountain Province

**Siete Martires No. 177**

Location: Balaolan, La Union

Stated Meeting: 3rd Saturday

Wor. Master: Felix Gorospe  
 Senior Warden: Pedro L. Fajardo  
 Junior Warden: Ruperto Ledda  
 Treasurer: Demetrio Obaldo  
 Secretary: Leonides Basconillo  
 Address: Balaolan, La Union

**Masonic District No. 6 — Nueva Ecija**

Cabanatuan No. 53.

Location: Cabanatuan City

Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday

Wor. Master: Ricardo J. Soto  
 Senior Warden: Nathanael M. Grospe  
 Junior Warden: Rodolfo C. Beltran  
 Treasurer: Primo E. Ferrer  
 Secretary: Doroteo M. Joson  
 Address: Cabanatuan City

**Nueva Ecija No. 73**

Location: Quezon, Nueva Ecija

Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday

Wor. Master: Arturo C. Villasan  
 Senior Warden: Solomon E. Cabrera  
 Junior Warden: Marcelo Capalungan  
 Treasurer:  
 Secretary:  
 Address:

**Memorial No. 90**

Location: Muñoz, Nueva Ecija

Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday

Wor. Master: Pastor Reyes  
 Senior Warden: Teodoro H. Irabagon  
 Junior Warden: Antonio P. Pascual  
 Treasurer: Elfeo V. Villacorta  
 Secretary: Victorio S. Lingas  
 Address: Muñoz, Nueva Ecija

**Gen. Manuel Tinio No. 167**

Location: Guimba, N. Ecija

Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday

Wor. Master: Jose S. de Ocampo  
 Senior Warden: Diosdado M. Barawid  
 Junior Warden: Jose T. Bautista  
 Treasurer: Amado R. Cruz  
 Secretary: Claro A. Dar  
 Address: Guimba, Nueva Ecija

**Gen. Llanera Memorial No. 168**

Location: Gapan, N. Ecija

Stated Meeting: 4th Saturday

Wor. Master: Dominador J. Cabrera  
 Senior Warden: Florencio M. Trinidad  
 Junior Warden: Mariano N. Llanera  
 Treasurer: Luis P. Bolisay  
 Secretary: Mario A. Gotico  
 Address: Del Corro St., Gapan,  
 Nueva Ecija

**Narra No. 171**

Location: San Jose, Nueva Ecija

Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday

Wor. Master: Jesus P. Velasquez  
 Senior Warden: Basilio Ng Tian Kee  
 Junior Warden: Venancio C. Gozon  
 Treasurer: Tomas Chu  
 Secretary: Oscar O. Azarcon  
 Address: San Jose, Nueva Ecija

**Masonic District No. 7 — Bulacan-Pampanga****Tarlac****Malolos No. 46**

Location: Malolos, Bulacan

Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday

Wor. Master: Abraham G. Manahan  
 Senior Warden: Filemon B. Zafra, Jr.  
 Junior Warden: Amado T. Pineda  
 Treasurer: Ricardo B. Dizon  
 Secretary: Francisco C. Rendon  
 Address: Katmon, Malolos, Bulacan

**Pampanga No. 48**

Location: San Fernando, Pampanga

Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday

Wor. Master: Amado L. Sadsad  
 Senior Warden: Generoso Q. Sison  
 Junior Warden: Rolando de Guzman  
 Treasurer: Leonardo P. Dionisio  
 Secretary: Venancio G. Reyes  
 Address: Lubao, Pampanga

**Isagani No. 96**

Location: Tarlac, Tarlac

Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday

Wor. Master: Jose G. Rosete  
 Senior Warden: Federico Tan  
 Junior Warden: Cosme P. Antonio  
 Treasurer: Benjamin Chua  
 Secretary: Lorenzo S. Bonifacio  
 Address: Tarlac, Tarlac

**Leonard Wood No. 105**

Location: Clark Air Force Base

Stated Meeting: 1st Tuesday

Wor. Master: James M. Mathis  
 Senior Warden: James N. Annas  
 Junior Warden: Joseph M. Welch, Jr.  
 Treasurer: Conrad L. Bush  
 Secretary: Milton A. Xedis, Jr.  
 Address: Clark Air Base, Pampanga

**Victory No. 116**

Location: Camiling, Tarlac

Stated Meeting: 3rd Saturday

Wor. Master: Jaime Sialong  
 Senior Warden: Ernesto Zacarias  
 Junior Warden: Benhur La Torre  
 Treasurer: Raymundo Lu  
 Secretary: Modesto G. Riparip  
 Address: Camiling, Tarlac

**Anchor No. 159**

Location: Paniqui, Tarlac

Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday

Wor. Master: Esteban Tan  
 Senior Warden: Rizal B. Perez  
 Junior Warden: Artemio Paez  
 Treasurer: Pantaleon Garcia  
 Secretary: Jesus V. Evangelista  
 Address: Paniqui, Tarlac

**Masonic District No. 9 — Bataan-Zambales****Lincoln No. 34**

Location: Olongapo City

Stated Meeting: 1st Wednesday

Wor. Master: Eduardo Elgincolin  
 Senior Warden: Manuel D. Garcia  
 Junior Warden: Delio S. Reyes  
 Treasurer: Marcial dela Cruz  
 Secretary: Desiderio Hebron  
 Address: P. O. Box 19, Olongapo City

**Pinatubo No. 52**

Location: San Narciso, Zambales

Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday

Wor. Master: Howard H. Ingram  
 Senior Warden: Benito de la Cruz  
 Junior Warden: Raymundo E. Valente  
 Treasurer: Pedro Aquino  
 Secretary: Alfredo D. Garcia  
 Address: San Narciso, Zambales

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**Zambales No. 103**

Location: Iba, Zambales

Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday

Wor. Master: Fausto Datugan  
 Senior Warden: Roman B. Salading  
 Junior Warden: Antonio Cruz  
 Treasurer: Huang Ky Hsi  
 Secretary: Feliciano B. Fontelera  
 Address: Iba, Zambales

**Bataan No. 104**

Location: Lamao, Limay, Bataan

Stated Meeting: 3rd Saturday

Wor. Master: Jose D. Forbes  
 Senior Warden: Jose G. Santos  
 Junior Warden: Jesus D. Ramos  
 Treasurer: Joel C. Joco  
 Secretary: Justo B. Canare  
 Address: Mabatang, Abucay,  
 Bataan

**Masonic District No. 9 - Quezon City-Rizal****Silanganan No. 19**

Location: Bagong Ilog, Pasig, Rizal

Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday

Wor. Master: Felix V. Campomanes  
 Senior Warden: Oscar T. Eusebio  
 Junior Warden: Leni B. Mariano  
 Treasurer: David Cruz  
 Secretary: Modesto M. Marcelo  
 Address: 33 M. L. Quezon St.  
 Parang, Marikina, Rizal

**Muog No. 89**

Location: Parañaque, Rizal

Stated Meeting: 3rd Saturday

Wor. Master: Esmeraldo M. Gatchalian  
 Senior Warden: Manuel T. Cruz  
 Junior Warden: Juan S. Yuvienco  
 Treasurer: Crispin G. Loya  
 Secretary: Bienvenido R. Burgos  
 Address: 877 Quirino Avenue  
 Parañaque, Rizal

**Marikina No. 119**

Location: Marikina, Rizal

Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday

Wor. Master: Gil E. Fernando  
 Senior Warden: Fidel Villafuerte  
 Junior Warden: Alfredo M. Pamintuan  
 Treasurer: Rodolfo Concepcion  
 Secretary: Maka-araw Cruz  
 Address: 72 A. Mabini,  
 Pasig, Rizal

**Quezon City No. 122**

Location: P. Florentino cor. Iba. Sts., Q. C.

Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday

Wor. Master: Oscar Emm Cruz  
 Senior Warden: Cris Malahay  
 Junior Warden: Chan Ching Kee  
 Treasurer: Emiliano O. Ozaeta  
 Secretary: Ernesto F. Balba  
 Address: 31 Negros Street  
 Bago Bantay, Q. C.

**Teodoro M. Kalaw Mem. No. 136**

Location: San Juan, Rizal

Stated Meeting: 2nd Monday

Wor. Master: Dioscoro C. Ramos  
 Senior Warden: Isagani Caurino  
 Junior Warden: Tomas de Guzman  
 Treasurer: Domingo F.M. Domingo  
 Secretary: Francisco M. Rint  
 Address: 46 Langka, Proj. 2, Q.C.

**Rafael Palma No. 147**

Location: Quezon City

Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday

Wor. Master: Mario T. Meneses  
 Senior Warden: Luisito S. Gloria  
 Junior Warden: Jose V. Tacal, Jr.  
 Treasurer: Carlos Antonio  
 Secretary: Roman B. Ramos  
 Address: 2423 Baldwin, Sta. Cruz,  
 Manila

**Juan Sumulong Mem. No. 169**

Location: Taytay, Rizal

Stated Meeting: 3rd Saturday

Officers:

Wor. Master: Harry Guthertz  
 Senior Warden: Alfredo Z. Reyes  
 Junior Warden: German Esguerra, Jr.  
 Treasurer: Virgilio J. Tamayo  
 Secretary: Angelo S. Baylon  
 Address: San Carlos Heights  
 Binangonan, Rizal

**Capitol City No. 174**

Location: Quezon City

Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday

Wor. Master: Jose V. Cajipe  
 Senior Warden: Cosme S. Aquino  
 Junior Warden: Estanislao J. Rafael  
 Treasurer: Go Thian Tek  
 Secretary: Bienvenido G. Ongkiko  
 Address: 17-A Dagupan, SFD  
 Quezon City

**Laong Laan No. 185**

Location: Quezon City

Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday

Wor. Master: Mario C. Navia  
 Senior Warden: Luis F. Lancero, Jr.  
 Junior Warden: Apolonio E. Ramos  
 Treasurer: Federico S. Magat  
 Secretary: Dominador C. Vicente, Sr.  
 Address: 7-AD de los Reyes,  
 Project 4, Quezon City

**Masonic District No. 10 — Cavite****Cavite No. 2**

Location: Cavite City

Stated Meeting: 1st Friday

Wor. Master: Dominador A. Herrera  
 Senior Warden: Jose V. Colina  
 Junior Warden: Jaimes E. Anderson  
 Treasurer: Dominador G. Cristostomo  
 Secretary: Salvador C. Gonzales  
 Address: 960 Cabuso Street  
 Cavite City

Pilar No. 15  
Location: Imus, Cavite  
Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday  
Wor. Master: Eduardo M. Espejo  
Senior Warden: Regalado Camarse  
Junior Warden: Telesforo Sapinosa  
Treasurer: Eugenio M. Villanueva  
Secretary: Jose N. Topacio, Sr.  
Address: General Satorre St.  
Imus, Cavite City

Bagong Buhay No. 17  
Location: Cavite City  
Stated Meeting: 2nd Friday  
Wor. Master: Julian C. Medina  
Senior Warden: Lope A. Anson  
Junior Warden: Perfecto F. Verniz  
Treasurer: Amado Santos  
Secretary: Jose T. Bernal  
Address: Caridad, Cavite City

Aguinaldo Memorial No. 31  
Location: Kawit, Cavite  
Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday  
Wor. Master: Antonio C. Saqueton  
Senior Warden: Francisco Chua  
Junior Warden: Raoul Veluz  
Treasurer: Jose Mercado  
Secretary: Eustaquio Merced  
Address: 997 Panamitan,  
Kawit, Cavite

Mount Mainam No. 49  
Location: Naic, Cavite  
Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday  
Wor. Master: Tomas S. Molina  
Senior Warden: Raymundo Beltran  
Junior Warden: Mariano A. Deseo  
Treasurer: Eliseo Nazareno  
Secretary: Paulino B. Anluague  
Address: Ibayo Estacion,  
Naic, Cavite

Pintong Bato No. 51  
Location: Bacoor, Cavite  
Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday  
Wor. Master: Eduardo V. Malinis  
Senior Warden: Francisco Trias  
Junior Warden: Bayani A. Javier  
Treasurer: Celedonio Culabutan  
Secretary: Evaristo Navaez  
Address: Bacoor, Cavite

Primera Luz Filipina No. 69  
Location: Binakayan, Kawit, Cavite  
Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday  
Wor. Master: Esteban S. Rodriguez, Sr.  
Senior Warden: Ramon Alviola  
Junior Warden: Angel Dano  
Treasurer: Severino Gana  
Secretary: Bernardo M. Pulido  
Address: Binakayan, Kawit, Cavite

Bagong Ilaw No. 97  
Location: Noveleta, Cavite  
Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday  
Wor. Master: Leonardo R. Pineda  
Senior Warden: Conrado M. Alvarez  
Junior Warden: Rudyardo V. Bunda  
Treasurer: Ramon Zapanta  
Secretary: Jose A. Alvarez  
Address: Noveleta, Cavite

Indang No. 115  
Location: Indang, Cavite  
Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday  
Wor. Master: Vicente T. Pinazo  
Senior Warden: Melanio M. Salgado  
Junior Warden: Romeo B. Reyes  
Treasurer: Teofilo A. Costa  
Secretary: Pedro R. Agapito  
Address: Indang, Cavite

Tagaytay No. 165  
Location: Tagaytay City  
Stated Meeting: 3rd Saturday  
Wor. Master: Dominador Kiamzon  
Senior Warden: Felix U. Gavino  
Junior Warden: Ramon G. Navarro, Jr.  
Treasurer: Feliciano Torres  
Secretary: Domingo M. Guerrero  
Address: 335 Garcia Street  
Cavite City

Masonic District No. 11 — Batangas-Laguna

**Mindoro**  
Malinaw No. 25  
Location: San Pablo City  
Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday  
Wor. Master: Rouben C. Belulia  
Senior Warden: Benigno Gesmundo  
Junior Warden: Voltaire P. Brion, Sr.  
Treasurer: Ong Kim Luan  
Secretary: Narciso A. Villapando  
Address: 9 Schetelig Avenue  
San Pablo City

Pinagsabitan No. 26  
Location: Sta. Cruz, Laguna  
Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday  
Wor. Master: Fernando O. Manas  
Senior Warden: Arturo R. Calapas  
Junior Warden: Leandro Manrije  
Treasurer: Juan C. Ng Cha  
Secretary: Amado Mabul  
Address: Santa Cruz, Laguna

Batangas No. 35  
Location: Batangas, Batangas  
Stated Meeting: 3rd Saturday  
Wor. Master: Conrado Sumanga  
Senior Warden: Julio C. Gutierrez  
Junior Warden: Ernesto Malabanan  
Treasurer: Aurelio Beron  
Secretary: Juan C. Perez  
Address: 17 Rizal Ave.  
Batangas, Batangas

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**Tamaraw No. 65**

Location: Calapan, Or. Mindoro

Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday

Wor. Master: Antonio B. Cacha  
 Senior Warden: Pedro S. Ilao  
 Junior Warden: Tomas Goco  
 Treasurer: Irineo L. Seno  
 Secretary: Buhay A. Medina  
 Address: Calapan, Or.  
 Mindoro

**Makiling No. 72**

Location: Los Baños High School

Stated Meeting: 4th Saturday

Wor. Master: Mamerto L. Garcia  
 Senior Warden: Aquilino A. Carino  
 Junior Warden: Eugenio P. Enriquez  
 Treasurer: Escolastico S. Bedia  
 Secretary: Bliss A. Alday  
 Address: UPCA, College,  
 Laguna

**Sixto Lopez (Batulao) No. 129**

Location: Balayan, Batangas

Stated Meeting: 3rd Tuesday

Wor. Master: Pedro Palacio  
 Senior Warden: Julian Bayoneto  
 Junior Warden: Tagumpay Apacible  
 Treasurer: Clemente M. Sale  
 Secretary: Ceferino C. Dequito  
 Address: Balayan, Batangas

**Mindoro No. 157**

Location: San Jose, Occ. Mindoro

Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday

Wor. Master: Florencio Ramirez  
 Senior Warden: Agustin Feria  
 Junior Warden: Virgilio C. Cruz  
 Treasurer: Anastacio Santos, Jr.  
 Secretary: Apolinario Madayag  
 Address: San Jose, Occ. Mindoro

**Sierra Madre No. 181**

Location: Paete, Laguna

Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday

Wor. Master: Faustino P. Bagabaldo  
 Senior Warden: Godofredo T. Ciriaco  
 Junior Warden: Nicolas G. Fadul  
 Treasurer: Ernesto V. Aseoche  
 Secretary: Martin V. Aguilar  
 Address: Mabitac, Laguna

**Masonic District No. 12 — Quezon Province****Rizal No. 20**

Location: Lopez, Quezon

Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday

Wor. Master: Oscar G. Guirnaldia  
 Senior Warden: Jose T. Villafuerte  
 Junior Warden: Rizalino A. Florido  
 Treasurer: Manuel E. Bituin  
 Secretary: Julian Capira  
 Address: Lopez, Quezon

**Balintawak No. 28**

Location: Gumaca, Quezon

Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday

Wor. Master: Hipolito Alpuerto  
 Senior Warden: Dionisio A. Barrios  
 Junior Warden: Vicente G. Tan  
 Treasurer: Luis E. Makayan  
 Secretary: Romualdo Libranda  
 Address: Gumaca, Quezon

**Kalilayan No. 37**

Location: Lucena City

Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday

Wor. Master: Apolinario Villaverde  
 Senior Warden: Arcadio Tolentino  
 Junior Warden: Jesus R. Decena  
 Treasurer: Severo Oliveros  
 Secretary: Felix Acuna  
 Address: Lucena City

**Tayabas No. 43**

Location: Tayabas, Quezon

Stated Meeting: 3rd Saturday

Wor. Master: Victor Lafuente  
 Senior Warden: Ildefonso Echevarria  
 Junior Warden: Venancio Nadres  
 Treasurer: Jesus Naynes  
 Secretary: Gaudencio C. Zaballa  
 Address: 5 Dr. Jose Rizal St.  
 Tayabas, Quezon

**Plaridel No. 75**

Location: Calauag, Quezon

**Masonic District No. 13 - Albay-Camarines Norte, Sur & Sorsogon****Isarog No. 33**

Location: Naga City, Camarines Sur

Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday

Wor. Master: Conrad K. Pabillo  
 Senior Warden: Hermenegildo D. Asor  
 Junior Warden: Felicisimo Capucan, Jr.  
 Treasurer: Felicisimo Capucan, Sr.  
 Secretary: Nicasio Villareal  
 Address: C/O Bicol Electric Co.,  
 Naga City

**Bulusan No. 38**

Location: Sorsogon, Sorsogon

Stated Meeting: 3rd Saturday

Wor. Master: Irineo B. Escandor  
 Senior Warden: Luis Laurinaria  
 Junior Warden: Ramon D. Gregorio  
 Treasurer: Bartolome Frayna  
 Secretary: Estanislao Gabarda  
 Address: Sorsogon, Sorsogon

**Mayon No. 61**

Location: Legaspi City, Albay

Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday

Wor. Master: Damaceno J. Ago  
 Senior Warden: Francisco Lorenzano  
 Junior Warden: Rizalino Sandico  
 Treasurer: Agapito Loreta  
 Secretary: Teodoro Jesalva  
 Address: Legaspi City

Camarines Norte No. 107  
Location: Daet, Camarines Norte  
Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday  
Wor. Master: Cheang Ga  
Senior Warden: Herbert M. Manzana  
Junior Warden: Ricardo R. Herrera  
Treasurer: Manuel Teebunhon  
Secretary: Martino Ragub  
Address: Daet, Camarines Norte

**Masonic District No. 14 - Capiz-Iloilo-Negros**

**Occ. - Antique**

Iloilo - Acacia No. 11  
Location: Iloilo City  
Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday  
Wor. Master: Jose Yu An Kong  
Senior Warden: Dominador H. Aujero  
Junior Warden: Casimiro G. Topacio  
Treasurer: Olimpio Magat  
Secretary: Ponciano C. Leonidas  
Address: 178 Mission Road, Jaro,  
Iloilo City

**Makawiwili No. 55**

Location: Roxas City, Capiz  
Stated Meeting: 4th Saturday  
Wor. Master: Clemente Chuachingco  
Senior Warden: Jimmy Hedriana  
Junior Warden: Vito Delima  
Treasurer:  
Secretary: Leopoldo Azarraga  
Address: Roxas City

**Kanlaon No. 64**

Location: Bacolod City  
Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday  
Wor. Master: Vivencio T. Ibrado  
Senior Warden: Cayetano Palmares  
Junior Warden: Luis A. Suncuaco  
Treasurer: Vicente Yap  
Secretary: Jose M. Estacion  
Address: Bacolod City

**San Carlos No. 186**

Location: San Carlos City  
Stated Meeting: 4th Saturday  
Wor. Master: Genaro C. Bermejo  
Senior Warden: Tiburcio Roullo  
Junior Warden: Eugenio A. Antonio, Jr.  
Treasurer: Jose Y. Tan  
Secretary: Pedro V. de la Cruz  
Address: San Carlos City,  
Negros Occidental

**Kalantiao No. 187**

Location: Iloilo City  
Stated Meeting: 3rd Saturday  
Wor. Master: Francisco L. Jison  
Senior Warden: Romeo G. Hiponia  
Junior Warden: Rizal R. Quimpo  
Treasurer: Jose C. Publico  
Secretary: Felipe G. Espinosa  
Address: E. Lopez, Jaro,  
Iloilo City

**Hamtik Lodge No. 76**

Location: San Jose, Antique  
Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday  
Wor. Master: Higinio Loza  
Senior Warden: Nicolas Sumayo  
Junior Warden: Tranquillino Valdevia  
Treasurer:  
Secretary: Roman Noler  
Address: San Jose, Antique

**Masonic District No. 15 - Leyte - Samar**

**Makabugwas No. 47**

Location: Tacloban, Leyte  
Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday  
Wor. Master: Santiago L. Chua  
Senior Warden: Avelino Ramirez  
Junior Warden: Eugenio D. Abilar  
Treasurer: Federico V. Larraga  
Secretary: Celestino Elefaño  
Address: 32 C. Arellano,  
Tacloban City

**Mt. Huraw No. 98**

Location: Catbalogan, Samar  
Stated Meeting: 1st Friday  
Wor. Master: Vicente Uy Ecio  
Senior Warden: Vicente M. Macabidang  
Junior Warden: Ricardo Lim  
Treasurer: Teodorico Noble  
Secretary: Emmanuel R. Daguman  
Address: Catbalogan, Samar

**Masonic District No. 16-Bohol-Cebu-Oriental**

**Negros**

**Maktan No. 30**

Location: Cebu City  
Stated Meeting: 2nd Friday  
Wor. Master: Juan Eugenio Lo  
Senior Warden: Simon Chuahe  
Junior Warden: Dominador D. Enriquez  
Treasurer: Teodoro Cañeda  
Secretary: Remegio Murillo  
Address: St. Mary's Pharmacy  
Cebu City

**Dagohoy No. 84**

Location: Tagbilaran, Bohol  
Stated Meeting: 2nd Tuesday  
Wor. Master: Andrew S. Namocatcat  
Senior Warden: Lorenzo Lopena  
Junior Warden: Daniel B. Bernaldez  
Treasurer: Marcelino Q. Calamba  
Secretary: Catalino T. Castillo  
Address: City of Tagbilaran

**Mt. Kaladias No. 91**

Location: Dumaguete City  
Stated Meeting: 2nd Tuesday  
Wor. Master: Leon P. Lim  
Senior Warden: Zoe R. Lopez  
Junior Warden: Felicisimo L. Kiamco  
Treasurer: Apolonio C. Mirafuentes  
Secretary: Felicisimo S. Decentecoco  
Address: Dumaguete City

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Cebu No. 128

Location: Cebu City

Stated Meeting: 2nd Tuesday

Wor. Master: Bartolome M. Carillo, Jr.  
Senior Warden: Jose Tan Yaotin,  
Junior Warden: Esperidion A. Espejo  
Treasurer: Valentin Uy  
Secretary: Eliezer La. Casal  
Address: Macondray & Co., Inc.  
Cebu City

Masonic District No. 17 — Bukidnon-Misamis  
Oriental

Maguindanao No. 40

Location: Cagayan de Oro City

Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday

Wor. Master: Pedro D. Melendez  
Senior Warden: Gabino O. Poblete  
Junior Warden: Primo R. Semana  
Treasurer: Guillermo U. Non  
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Mt. Musuan No. 155

Location: Malaybalay, Bukidnon

Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday

Wor. Master: Amante P. Cabotaje  
Senior Warden: Felino de los Reyes  
Junior Warden: Irene Mendoza  
Treasurer: Nemesio Crisostomo  
Secretary: Quintin de la Torre  
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Agusan Valley No. 160

Location: Butuan City

Stated Meeting: 3rd Saturday

Wor. Master: Melecio E. Lasam  
Senior Warden: Felipe M. Obar  
Junior Warden: Rolando R. Balanon  
Treasurer: Vicente M. Manginsay  
Secretary: Abraham S. Alviola  
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Butuan City

Apo Kahoy No. 166

Location: Gingoog City

Stated Meeting: 3rd Saturday

Wor. Master: Reynaldo Z. Fernandez  
Senior Warden: Arturo C. Lugod  
Junior Warden: Edilberto S. Baol  
Treasurer: Temistocles Ocampo  
Secretary: Salvador L. Mercado  
Address: Gingoog City

Macajalar No. 184

Location: Cagayan de Oro City

Stated Meeting: 1st Friday

Wor. Master: Eduardo C. Ralloma  
Senior Warden: Pedro W. Guerzon  
Junior Warden: Romeo M. Ambal  
Treasurer: Felix Caburian, Sr.  
Secretary: Andres S. Mendoza  
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Oro City

Masonic District No. 18 - Cotabato-Davao

Sarangani No. 50

Location: Davao City

Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday

Wor. Master: Roman F. Ordinario  
Senior Warden: Teodoro Venus  
Junior Warden: Cesar Feliciano  
Treasurer: Maximo S. Ansaldo  
Secretary: Gavino Piliin  
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Kutang Bato No. 110

Location: Cotabato City

Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday

Wor. Master: Primitivo S. Bella, Jr.  
Senior Warden: Andres B. Ferrer  
Junior Warden: Ruben U. Go  
Treasurer: Hector P. Narajos  
Secretary: Guinaid M. Guiani  
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Davao No. 149

Location: Davao City

Stated Meeting: 4th Saturday

Wor. Master: Rizal Aportadera  
Senior Warden: Leopoldo Ilaya  
Junior Warden: Leon V. Valle  
Treasurer: Fabian Q. Tiangco  
Secretary: Virgilio M. Asuelo  
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Davao City

Mt. Matutum No. 156

Location: Dadiangas, Gen. Santos

Stated Meeting: 4th Saturday

Wor. Master: Jesus Robleza  
Senior Warden: Elias de Castro  
Junior Warden: Felicisimo Gatchalian  
Treasurer: Ireneo L. Santiago  
Secretary: Alfredo C. Navarro  
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Kidapawan No. 170

Location: Kidapawan, Cotabato

Stated Meeting: 3rd Saturday

Wor. Master: Gaudencio B. Ortiz  
Senior Warden: Alfredo Pagdilao  
Junior Warden: Prospero B. Pajarillaga  
Treasurer: Augusto Gana  
Secretary: Buenaventura Vidar  
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Masonic District No. 19 - Basilan-Sulu-

Zamboanga City

Mt. Apo No. 45

Location: Zamboanga City

Stated Meeting: 3rd Saturday

Wor. Master: Timoteo B. Almonte  
Senior Warden: Valerio Chua  
Junior Warden: Jose M. Lopez  
Treasurer: Juanito Chan  
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Bud Daho No. 102

Location: Jolo, Sulu

Stated Meeting: 3rd Saturday

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Junior Warden: Fredinel A. Martinez

Treasurer: Alejandro Liu

Secretary: Juanito Bruno

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Juan S. Alano No. 137

Location: Basilan City

Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday

Wor. Master: Juan Q. Estrada

Senior Warden: Ramon Lim

Junior Warden: Reynaldo De Joya

Treasurer: Angelo Antonio

Secretary: Luis M. Sirilan

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Masonic District No. 20 - Guam

Charleston No. 44

Location: Agana, Guam

Stated Meeting: 1st Monday

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Senior Warden: Eric Everett

Junior Warden: Woodrow W. Demere

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Milton C. Marvin No. 123

Location: Agana, Guam

Stated Meeting: 4th Saturday

Wor. Master: James O. Liong

Senior Warden: Emiliano O. Leonor

Junior Warden: Felino C. Berdan

Treasurer: Frederick M. Poole

Secretary: Abraham P. Cansino

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Agana, Guam

Micronesia No. 173

Location: Saipan, Marianas Islands

Stated Meeting: 1st Thursday

Wor. Master: Elwyn B. Andrew

Senior Warden: George Vaughn

Junior Warden: James A. Bell

Treasurer: Donald Tindall

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Masonic District No. 21 - Marshall Islands

Emon No. 179

Location: Kwajalein, Marshall Is.

Stated Meeting: 3rd Monday

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Location: Tokyo, Japan

Stated Meeting: 1st Wednesday

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Junior Warden: Richard David Barkin

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Rising Sun No. 151

Location: Camp Zama, Japan

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Senior Warden: Paul D. Manning

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MacArthur No. 183

Location: Seoul, Korea

Stated Meeting: 1st Friday

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Senior Warden: Daniel Kwai Fong Yee

Junior Warden: Garland W.G. Chaviers

Treasurer: Zacarias Garcia Santos

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Morning Calm, U.D.

Location: Taegu, Korea

Stated Meeting: 1st Wednesday

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Senior Warden: Gary William Garrison

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Viet Nam

Saigon, U.D.

Location: Saigon, Vietnam

Stated Meeting: 1st Wednesday

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Junior Warden: Athol B. Shuster

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Isabela No. 60  
Location: Ilagan, Isabela  
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Junior Warden: Mariano G. Derupe  
Secretary: Cresencio V. Maramag  
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Cagayan Valley No. 133  
Location: Santiago, Isabela  
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Junior Warden: Marcelino Cabucana  
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Cagayan No. 180  
Location: Cauayan, Isabela  
Stated Meeting: 3rd Saturday  
Wor. Master: Efigenio Talido  
Senior Warden: Pantaleon Cabino  
Junior Warden: Honofre B. Acosta  
Treasurer: Melecio Toledo  
Secretary: Juanito Castillo  
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Mullig Plains, U.D.  
Location: Roxas, Isabela  
Stated Meeting: 2nd Friday  
Wor. Master: Jose T. Darbin  
Senior Warden: Pablo D. Baguioen  
Junior Warden: Jovencio A. Santos  
Treasurer: Sotero Uy  
Secretary: Leon C. Marquez  
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**Masonic District No. 24 - Pangasinan**

Pangasinan No. 56  
Location: Dagupan City  
Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday  
Wor. Master: Camilo C. Calimlim  
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Junior Warden: Gaudencio M. David  
Treasurer: Moises M. Garcia  
Secretary: Faustino Oviedo  
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City

Agno No. 75  
Location: Tayug, Pangasinan  
Stated Meeting: 3rd Saturday  
Wor. Master: Manuel Pastor  
Senior Warden: Pablito V. Semano  
Junior Warden: Alfredo R. dela Cruz  
Treasurer: Eugenio Lu  
Secretary: Jose L. Magpali  
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Dagupan City No. 158  
Location: Tupac Dist. Dagupan City  
Stated Meeting: 1st Wednesday  
Wor. Master: Domingo Chua  
Senior Warden: Mariano Garanteza  
Junior Warden: Jose Yucitongtian  
Treasurer: Antonio Chua  
Secretary: Jacinto R. Abad, PM  
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Lingayen No. 161  
Location: Lingayen, Pangasinan  
Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday  
Wor. Master: Jose Santos  
Senior Warden: Agapito Oviedo  
Junior Warden: Emilio D. Quinto  
Treasurer: Ronald F. Rimeria  
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Pangasinan

Don Daniel Maramba, U.D.  
Location: Villasis, Pangasinan  
Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday  
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Senior Warden: Vicente C. Tecson  
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**Masonic District No. 25 - Lanao-Misamis Occ.-**

Zamboanga del Sur  
Maranaw No. 111  
Location: Iligan City  
Stated Meeting: 2nd Saturday  
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Senior Warden: Glicerio A. Lim  
Junior Warden: Rufino T. Inocian  
Treasurer: Alfonso Cañete  
Secretary: Maximo P. Echiverri  
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Mt. Malindang No. 130  
Location: Ozamis City  
Stated Meeting: 1st Saturday  
Wor. Master: Gregorio Calit  
Senior Warden: Celso Mantua  
Junior Warden: Reinaldo Cedeño  
Treasurer: Sergio Tan  
Secretary: Timoteo Uy  
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Don Juan S. Alano Memorial No. 153  
Location: Pagadian, Zamboanga del Sur  
Stated Meeting: 4th Saturday  
Wor. Master: Jose Hofilena  
Senior Warden: Santiago Gavenia  
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# Call for Leadership

Lorenzo N. Talatala, DDGM

Leadership, in general terms is a very broad subject, on the ground that personal appraisals widely vary with every individual for lack of a fixed standard in determining one's fitness and potentials for leadership. As the traits of men differ, so must the qualities of leadership vary. This gave rise to the emergence of so many different types of leaders in existence today — civic, religious, business, social, political, intellectual, and educational, to mention only a few. Of special interest to the members of the Craft, however, is Masonic leadership, which is the key factor that will determine if our institution shall rise or decline in the years ahead. Among Masons, it is safe to state, that many can be elected and appointed as officers in various capacities, but only a few of them can qualify as leaders. The great Confucius once said, that in a calm sea many can be pilots, but in a turbulent sea there can only be a few of them. The requirements of leadership are so exacting that only a few people can be said to possess qualities that will fit into it. It is said that leaders are born, trained and developed. Among the common men there had arisen some strong leaders, while among the sons of strong and powerful leaders many had been born weaklings or mentally retarded, unfit to become leaders.

Knowledge and long experience are two principal assets that have no substitutes in the making of a leader. In order to lead the way towards the fulfillment of certain objectives, he must be conversant with the intricate problems connected with it. A Masonic leader, therefore, should be well skilled in our ancient Craft and be able to impart his knowledge to the

brethren, otherwise, if the brethren know more than the leader, they will lose faith in him. When this happens his leadership comes to an end.

The character, customs, ways habits and mannerisms of the leader are being imitated or aped by the men around him. If the leader is harsh in language and carriage, his men get those too. If the leader is carefree and easy going, they imitate him; but if the leader is upright, level-headed and conscientious, his men will do the same. Such is the nature of man, he follows the ways of his ideal man. Even the words or the expressions used by the leader are borrowed, if not plagiarized by his followers. It therefore becomes logical that when the leader conducts himself with respectable poise and dignity, the rest of the brethren will imitate his ways, and due respect will be accorded to him befitting his character and position.

Stability under pressure and dependability are well emphasized among military leaders, because of the exigencies of the requirements inherent in it. The same, however, are also essential in other organizations, like ours, because the moment a Masonic leader wavers in his position on matters requiring firmness, the cause of Masonry will adversely suffer. Once he has reached a decision, he should neither waver nor falter.

The above qualities are only possible to acquire, if the individual has a strong self-confidence. If the leader is duly and truly prepared to assume the duties incumbent upon him, there can be no doubt that the wisdom of his decisions and the fruits of his actions will be strongly felt in the or-

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ganization. The building of self-confidence is dependent upon many factors, among which are that he should know thoroughly his duties and responsibilities; be able to cultivate loyalty among the brethren so that they will cooperate with him; and, know his own self — his own capabilities, as well as his own defects and shortcomings.

To obtain results, the leader should be tactful and fair to his constituents. There are many ways of solving a problem, as there are various methods of settling a conflict, whether personal or otherwise. The key to all these, is to be tactful and fair to everyone. Even the most complicated problem, or the most delicate mission entrusted to a person, can be accomplished by discreet planning and the application of tact and proper judgment, rather than by imprudence and indecision.

MW Howard R. Hick, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the Philippines, once said: "What is the use of calling each other brother if you do not mean it." This should be one of the important guidelines of the leader. Brotherly love should be committed to action rather than merely expressed, in order that we may fully realize the full meaning of its significance. Without brotherly love, unity of purpose is difficult to achieve and without unity of purpose, there will be disagreement, confusion and disension.

To carry out with dispatch certain objectives, interest should be the starting point, bolstered by enthusiasm and initiative. No undertaking can succeed sans interest and enthusiasm. Interest generates initiative which has resulted in the planning of projects aimed towards the advancement of our Order. The mind of the leader should be well prepared to sacrifice a few of his personal conveniences for the good of the many. But he can

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only do this if he has at heart the accomplishment of his mission.

To earn the respect of his constituents, the leader should assume full responsibility for his actions and decisions. If he wavers and sways easily to pressure, or is moved by outside influence to falter in his decisions, his leadership is as good as gone. He should, therefore, possess enough courage in rendering sound and timely decisions and to stand by them with the fortitude and the tenacity of a true and exemplary Mason. In this way, he will earn the respect, trust and confidence, not only of his brethren, but also of his fellowmen. When the leader fails in his tasks, it is reflected down to the last member of the organization. It becomes necessary, therefore, that while the leader is prepared and willing to assume responsibility, all his constituents should willingly contribute their own share in

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# THE JO-DE-RAS SECTION



**JOB'S DAUGHTERS**



**DEMOLAY**



**RAINBOW**

Bethel, U.D., Iloilo City, was instituted on Feb. 11, 1969 at the Iloilo Masonic Temple by Mom Doris Angelroth, Supreme Guardian of the International Order of Job's Daughters, with some two hundred Masons, Eastern Stars, guests, Jobies and petitioners in attendance. The institution ceremonies were performed at 5:00 PM and shortly after, the Bethel Guardian Council was installed.

Members of the Council are: Mom Maria I. Rovira, Bethel Guardian; Dad Federico Gallano, Associate Bethel Guardian; Dad Romeo G. Hiponia, Secretary; Mom Patrocinio N. Octaviano, Treasurer; Mom Consolacion Marte, Director of Music; Dad Frank L. Jison, Promoter of Finance; Mom Celerina Armamento, Custodian of Paraphernalia; Mom Florencia Baban, Director of Epoch; Mom Zenaida Opong, Promoter of Sociability; Mom Felicidad H. Gallani, Chairman of Hospitality; Mom Asuncion Leonidas, Chairman of Junior Activities; Dad Gil Octaviano, Chairman of Goodwill; and Mom Mimi Espino, Chairman of Patrol.

After the installation of the Guardian Council, the Jobies of Bethel No. 3, Dumaguete City, initiated the petitioners in Iloilo, 24 in number, and after the initiation, the following were installed officers of the new Bethel: Cynthia Gabuelo, Honored Queen; Erlinda Octaviano, Senior Princess;

Teresita Ganzon, Junior Princess; Marilyn F. Hiponia, Guide; Nedjema Sustento, Marshal; Ruth Baguelo, Chaplain; Flora Grace Guillergan, Recorder; Edna Ganzon, Treasurer; Erlinda Gallano, Musician; Emelie Espino, Librarian; Maria Vicenta Nava, First Messenger; Ma. Victoria N. Octaviano, Second Messenger; Urduja Baban, Third Messenger; Mei Ling Franco, Fourth Messenger; Myrna Sustento, Fifth Messenger; Helen Yu, Senior Custodian; Armi de la Cruz, Junior Custodian; Araceli Espino, Inner Guard; Lucia Aujero, Outer Guard.

So enthused were the parents of the girls in their zeal for the Order that they planned to form a Parents' Club for the Jobies, like they have a Mothers' Club for the DeMolays. More than these, they also laid plans for reactivating the Iloilo Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star.

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At Dumaguete City, March 23, 1969, Leon Kilat Chapter, Order of DeMolay, held a Father and Son Day by having a fraternal breakfast at the Silliman University Cafeteria at 7:00 A.M. Fathers and sons heard a few speeches and messages, sang together and after breakfast went on a motorcade around the city. At 8:00 A.M. they went to church together.

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## More on Masonic Youth Conference

The Masonic Youth Study/Work Camp (backed by Jo-De-Ras) will be held definitely on June 18-22, 1969 on the Silliman University Campus in Dumaguete City. The time is most convenient, it being the week after summer school and ends to give the students attending two weeks vacation before the opening of the next regular semester. The conference fee of ₱30.00 for the duration includes lodging and meals, transportation within the city and province, work and study materials, socials and accident insurance. Delegates from other areas in the Philippines need in addition, transportation to and from Dumaguete—at reduced rates if they make use of their student privilege with shipping and airline firms.

It might be a good idea for parents to give this opportunity to attend the conference work camp as a reward to their children. It might even be more profitable, school-wise, if they attend summer school in Dumaguete, the coolest summer place in the country, with pre-arrangements with the schools, colleges and universities in which they are presently enrolled. In Dumaguete City, the following institutions offer graduate and undergraduate summer courses: Silliman University, Foundation University and St. Paul's College.

Due to lack of space in this issue,

the next issue (May) will carry the detailed daily program of the conference and the list of student personalities involved in committee work for the conference.

The Executive Committee of the conference work camp is composed of Samuel Julian, Chairman; Ernest Gonzaga, Vice-Chairman; Rosa Linda Reyes, Secretary-Treasurer; Honored Queen and Past Honored Queens of Bethel No. 3, IOJD; Master Councilor and Past Master Councilors of Leon Kilat Chapter, Order of DeMolay.

The Advisory Council is composed of Mom Betty O. Calderon, Worthy Matron of Josefa Llanes Escoda Chapter No. 10, OES; Mom Beatrice Lim, Bethel Guardian of Bethel No. 3, IOJD; Dad Leon Lim, Worshipful Master of Mt. Kaladias Lodge No. 91, F & AM; Dad Samuel Malayang, Chapter Advisor of Leon Kilat Chapter, OdeM.

Coordinator for the Visayas and Mindanao is Dad Ramon Ponce de Leon, Junior Grand Lecturer of the Grand Lodge of the Philippines; coordinator for Luzon is Dad Nestorio B. Melocoton, Business Manager, The Cabletow.

Inquiries and requests for literature on the conference work study camp may be directed to any of the above-named persons.

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### FAITH

*We have only to put our problems before Him with a humble and faithful heart and to believe with the simple faith of a little child, and we are promised His guidance and help. If our problems are big, then our prayers should be equally big! And the minute we believe that He has answered our prayers, they have been answered, perhaps not as we wanted or expected, but answered nevertheless. And they are right answers, too.*

— Norman Vincent Peale.

## SECOND ANNUAL KC-MASONS GOLF TOURNAMENT

Teeing off at 6:30 AM, Saturday, March 8, 1969, twelve foursomes of golfing Knights of Columbus and Freemasons let balls and clubs fly on the Camp Aguinaldo Golf Course in the Second Annual Knights-Freemasons golf tourney. Better than ever, the atmosphere of serious play coupled with cordiality and brotherhood was in evidence among the players.

Friendship and brotherhood were more in evidence at the fellowship night held at the Camp Crame Officers Club when the Knights and Freemasons, together with their wives, had dinner, dancing, singing and speaking, too. The program was opened by all singing the National Anthem, incidentally, written and composed by Freemasons some seventy years ago.

The invocation was given by Bro. Jose R. Villarico, Lecturer of Capitol Council 3695, K of C and the benediction was said by Bro. Raymond Wilmarth, PGM. Musical numbers, well-applauded, were sung by the Scottish Rite Chorale and the Ladies of Melody, while the Knights of Capitol Council No. 3695 and St. Joseph Council No. 5710 sang "Let Me Call You Sweetheart" to the Freemasons. Among the speakers were: Rev. Fr. Ambrocio Manaligot, MW Joseph E. Schon, Grand Master, Bro. Francisco R. Tantoco, District Deputy, District No. 35 of the Knights of Columbus and MW Conrado Benitez, PGM and Sovereign Grand Commander.

For the second time the Masons brought home the championship cup. Individual cups were given to Bros. Alejo, Braga, Abejo, Rivera, Espejo, H. de Guzman, Cruz, and Socco, Freemasons and Bros. Legaspi, Car-

## CAVITE MASONS HAVE YOUTH CENTER

As earlier reported, the Youth Center of Cavite Lodge No. 2 is now in full operation. It is housed on the first floor of the Lodge temple opposite the Montano Athletic Stadium. Now and then, the social hall of the center is rented by civic clubs for their social functions. Moreover, the Lodge keeps appropriating funds for further improvement of the center.

Another project of the Lodge is their "Operation Dumagat." Some members and their wives are supporting the community development project among the Dumagat tribes on the hills of Angat, Bulacan, on the fringes of the watershed which supplies water to Manila and environs.

The Dumagats who live practically in ancient times are being helped to develop their communities for permanence. The Cavite Masons go there periodically to distribute food and clothing to the wandering tribes. They teach these people proper health care and habits and distribute medicines. The first week of last month a team of doctors belonging to Cavite No. 2, Dr. Regalado Sosa, Daniel Sultan and Ramon Navarro, together with twelve other brethren and their wives led by WB & Mrs. Dominador Herrera, incumbent Master, went to the settlement of the Dumagats to give medical care and attention to the settlers. They brought with them three boxes of medicines, pooled by the doctors themselves, and treated the sick Dumagats of their various ailments.

It is usually a hard climb to the settlements of the Dumagats, they admitted, but they enjoyed the trip just the same, in the satisfaction of being of service to those people.  $\Delta$

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pio, Cristobal and Manalantan, Knights of Columbus.  $\Delta$

## PAMPANGA LODGE IS 50 YEARS OLD

Pampanga Lodge No. 48 celebrated its fiftieth anniversary in conjunction with the installation of officers for 1969 at the Everybody's Cafe, San Fernando, Pampanga, on January 25, 1969.

Most Wor. Joseph E. Schon, Grand Master, headed the list of the guests which included Rt. Wor. Damaso C. Tria, JGW, VW Jesus V. Evangelista, DDGM, WB Generoso V. Reyes, GLI, and brethren from sister Lodges in Masonic District No. 7 comprising Malolos No. 46, Isagani No. 96, Leonard Wood No. 105, Victory No. 116 and Anchor No. 159. Most of the visitors came with their families and friends.

RW Damaso C. Tria was the Installing Officer and WB Marcelino P. Dysangco, Master of Ceremonies.

The officers installed were: Bros. Amado L. Sadsad, Worshipful Master; Generoso J. Sison, Senior Warden; Rolando de Guzman, Junior Warden; Leonardo Dionisio, Treasurer; Venancio G. Reyes, Secretary; Melanio Orbeta, Chaplain; Edilberto K. Lacson, Marshal; Nestor V. Tungul, Senior Deacon; Jesus V. Tungul, Junior Deacon; Epitacio Pagtalunan, Auditor; Roman Magdangal, Almoner; Bernardo Pangilinan, Orator; Carlito T. Moises, Senior Steward; Gregorio M. Castro, Jr., Junior Steward; Pio, Q. C. Crisostomo, Organist and Benedicto S. Cunanan, Tyler.

In his inaugural address, WB Sadsad appealed to each and every brother for unity and cooperation so that a better temple can be built where all will come together for fellowship and understanding.

The Guest Speaker, MW Joseph E. Schon, was introduced by VW Jesus

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tion of nine Philippine folk dances by the San Pablo City Dance Troupe composed of students from Laguna Colleges and San Pablo Colleges under the direction of Mr. Luis Seromines. Special guest artist, movie and television star Miss Vera Vargas rendered fifteen a-go-go songs to the enjoyment of about 400 persons who attended the installation ceremonies.

Others installed with WB Belulia were: Bro. Benigno Gesmundo, re-elected Senior Warden; Bro. Voltaire P. Brion, Sr., Junior Warden; Bro. Ong Kim Luan, re-elected Treasurer; WB Narciso A. Villapando, re-elected Secretary; Bro. Pedro Evangelista, Asst. Treasurer; Bro. Francisco L. Tan, Asst. Secretary; Bro. David Peñaloza, Chaplain; Bro. Olimpio Cortez, Jr., Lecturer; Bro. Eduardo L. Constantino, Orator; Bro. Stiff Alimario, Marshal, Bro. Irineo C. Reyes, Standard Bearer; Bro. Tee Kong Piao, Bible Bearer; Bro. Paterno U. Aquino, Senior Deacon; Bro. Monchito Estiva, Junior Deacon; Bro. Placido Brinas, Auditor; Bro. Solenciaro D. Abril, Almoner; Bro. Lorenzo Comendador, Senior Steward; Bro. Demosthenes B. Bienvenida, Junior Steward; Bro. Trefilo V. Santos, Organist; Bro. Ciriaco Barcenas, Master of Banquets; Bro. Benedicto Barleta, Tyler. △

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V. Evangelista. Among other things, MW Schon spoke about the expected rapport of our Fraternity with the Catholic church. He stressed that our aim is to get more members who belong to the Catholic faith. △

— Venancio Reyes, PM

## SERVICE LODGE INSTALLS OFFICERS

As a modest reminiscence of its glorious past, the Service Lodge No. 95, F. & A.M., held a public installation of its officers for the Masonic Year 1969 in the Jose Abad Santos Hall, Plaridel Masonic Temple, in the evening of January 28, 1969. Beyond the expectation of the brethren of the Lodge, the affair was well attended. Most of the visitors came from the Geriatrics Society of Manila, an aged and experienced group but lively and springy nevertheless.

The flawless performances of both the Installing Officer, Wor. Bro. Victorino Hernandez, and the Master of Ceremonies, Wor. Bro. Vicente Aragonés, elicited praise and admiration from the audience, Masons and Non-Masons alike.

The program was short as it was impressive and interesting. The ceremonies started promptly at 7:00 P.M. with the reception into the Lodge of the Grand Lodge Inspector, Wor. Bro. Vicente Aragonés, followed in due time by the entrance of the Incoming Officers of the Lodge to the tone of 'March' in the air played by Mrs. Herminia Caballes, a charming widow, at the piano. △

— Constantino Rabaya, PM

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making his leadership truly effective and productive of good results for all.

As previously mentioned, there lies a wide gap separating officers from leaders and that while many of our brethren can be elected or appointed officers in various capacities only a few, or perhaps none of them, may qualify as a leader. Our history reminds us, that during the Spanish occupation of the Philippines, our Masonic leaders became prominent not because they were officers of the Lodge, but because as Masons, they did something great for our country in our struggle for government reforms. During the Philippine-American war, our Masonic leaders distinguished themselves in battle and after our conquest, those who succeeded them distinguished themselves in the peaceful pursuit for our independence through diplomacy.

At the time of the formation of the Grand Lodge of the Philippines in 1912, there was a reign of peace under the American regime. Our Masonic leaders continued to work for the independence of our country with the help of some American brethren. Next came the Japanese occupation, wherein several Masons, including

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MW Jose Abad Santos, PGM, died as Masons and heroes. There were then, from the Spanish to the American and Japanese occupations, opportunities to do something great for our country and people. After the liberation of our country from the Japanese, however, things have greatly changed. The mentality of many of our people had been corrupted as a result of the war. The moral values of many people became degenerated, and corruption, bribery, smuggling, gambling, killing, stealing, robbery, and all conceivable crimes against person, property and honor, are now day-to-day occurrences.

Today the country is confronted with social unrest. The recent demonstrations staged by teachers, government employees, students, doctors, nurses, laborers and many more impending ones, are unmistakable omens that something bigger is in the offing if nothing is done to arrest the tide of popular discontent. Today, it is in this connection, that Masonic leadership should be called upon to participate and to lead. Since our liberation from the Japanese occupation, Masonic activities were confined within the four walls of the Lodge. All we have been doing is to recite the rituals, confer degrees, transact routinary business, inspect and constitute Lodges and extend fraternal amenities to foreign jurisdictions.

We have neglected the vital problems of our nation. We have not done much for our people to arrest the onrushing tide of criminality, graft and corruption, smuggling and the various ailments of society. While ours is a charitable institution, we have not gone far enough to extend our hand of charity during state of calamities, when typhoons, floods, volcanic eruptions, fires, earthquakes and human miseries assailed our people. Along all these, we need leaders

— leaders that will guide the way towards the betterment of our corrupted society. The opportunity today is as great as those bygone. Our country today is bogged in the quagmire of sins of omission and commission. To our present Masonic leaders, here is a great challenge for them to take the lead. Let us see them in action, by heeding the CALL FOR LEADERSHIP. △

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### WHY LODGES HAVE . . . From page 4

quest the officers to send back the petition: and under such circumstances no prudent Master would force it on the lodge.

*Sixth.* Fix a standard of high tone for the guidance of the investigating committees, and never deviate from it even for your best friend. △

*The Freemason of Missouri*

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### LODGE OFFICERS . . . From page 28

Oroquieta No. 154

Location: Oroquieta, Misamis Occ.

Stated Meeting: 4th Saturday

Wor. Master: Teofilo Nuñez

Senior Warden: Gervasio J. Riconalia

Junior Warden: Romulo Villanueva

Treasurer: Filipino Buaquena

Secretary: Greg R. Calit

Address: Aloran, Misamis Occ.

P.O. Box 33 Oroquieta,

Misamis Occ.

Dipolog No. 162

Location: Dipolog, Zamboanga del Norte

Stated Meeting:

Wor. Master: Rogelio M. Benitez

Senior Warden: Miguel C. Lubaton

Junior Warden: Roseller L. Barinaga

Treasurer: Antenino C. Lun

Secretary: Deogracias E. Hamac, Jr.

Address: Dipolog, Zamboanga del Norte

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*To the man who himself strives earnestly, God also lends a helping hand.*

Aeschylus

propose to carry out projects that would be feasible in the locality.

It is a paradox that while man has explored and subdued the outer space, as evidenced by the successes of American and Russian astronauts in orbiting around the earth and the moon, yet he has dismally failed to subdue the inner space within him. At the center of this Lodge ás in all other Lodges is the Holy Bible which serves as the rule and guide of our lives. We shall try to encourage a meaningful use and application of the same.

As Brother ex-Senator Camilo Osiás said in his talk before the YM-CA conference of high school and college students of northern Mindanao provinces and cities held at the Boy Scout building last month, if only people follow the Ten Commandments which are contained in the Holy Book, there will be peace and order in our society. He said that if the commandments: Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, and other commandments, were obeyed, there would be no crimes, no violence, no crisis, but brotherly love. It will therefore be our concern as a local group to assist in the movement calculated to recapture those values found in the Holy Scriptures.

These objectives are quite a big order but we shall endeavor to make a start. And to start this program, we propose to find ways and means of raising funds by studying the possibility of establishing a kind of foundation that will underwrite the expenses entailed in the program. We shall invite not only members of the Craft in Mindanao but also friends outside the Order to contribute to a fund that will be entrusted to a board of management which will be charged

with the investment of the funds in going concerns and only the profits or earnings of the same shall be used in carrying out the projects of the foundation. We shall utilize the resources of Maguindanao Lodge No. 40 to generate funds for this purpose.

This in brief is a statement of our goals and objectives which may take not one year, but several years to accomplish. We shall be satisfied with the idea that we have started the ball rolling.

In the discharge of my duties as Master of Maguindanao Lodge No. 40, I shall be guided by the precept and example of our Lord and Master who came to minister and not to be ministered unto, who washed the feet of His disciples to exemplify his teaching that whosoever shall be great among men should be the servant of all.

Before closing, I should like to pay a tribute to my predecessor, Worshipful Bro. Rubrico. He has done a fine piece of work in giving this temple a new face and a new look. He was instrumental in the beautification of our Masonic cemetery. He improved the finances of the Maguindanao Masonic Temple Ass'n, as shown by the fact that for the first time, it declared dividends among its stockholders. In recognition of his concrete accomplishments, the Lodge in its last meeting voted to award him a Past Master's jewel which will be presented at an opportune time in the near future.

Finally, allow me to thank you again for your presence this evening and I assure you that your coming has been a source of inspiration and communing with you has been a delightful experience which I shall treasure in my heart until time shall be no more. △

## *Pitak Filipino*

Ni Kap. Agustin L. Galang, NIG (17)

### ANG MAPAG-ISIP NA MASON

Nuong ang Malaya at Tinanggap na Masoneria ay purong-puro at hindi pa nahahaluan ng mga alanganing material, maraming tao sa daigdig ang humahanga at nagpapakasakit upang makaanib sa dakilang Samahang ito. Ang katunayan, nang ang mga paham na gaya nila Rizal, del Pilar, Quezon, Desaguliers, Franklin, Voltaire, Pike at Goethe, ay nakita sa sinapupunan ng Masoneria, ang malaganap at matatayog na katalinuhan at ulirang pagsasamahan na kanilang hinahanap, ang pamantayan ng karunungan pang-masoneria nuon ay sukdulan ng taas. Ang bawa't nanasok ay dinadalisay. Ang isinasa-alang-alang lamang ay ang mga taong pinili sa pinagpilian, matatayog ang isip at mayroong pambihirang katangian. Ang yaman, lakas at pagkapopular ay hindi gaanong pinahahalagahan. Alam ng mga itinatagalang tagapagsiyasat na napakaselan ang kanilang katungkulan. Buong ingat nilang sinusuri ang panloob at panlabas na pabuhayan ng mga nagnanais na sumapi sa Kapatiran. Ang ilan sa kanilang saligan: Mayroon kayang sapat na dunong at mayamang kaisipan upang matutuhan ang mga aralin at makapasa sa hayagang pagsusulit? Maunawaan kaya at mabigyan ng tumpak na kahulugan ang mga malalalim na wika at parirala na nilalaman ng Ritual? Wala kayang bahid ang katauhan sa harap ng Diyos at ng lipunan. Handa kayang maglingkod at magpakasakit sa kapakanan ng Sangkatauhan?

Sakaling palarang matanggap ang kandidato'y ipaiilalim pa mandin sa masusing pagsubok bago igawad ang

Unang Baytang. Ang susunod na Antas ay taunan bago ibigay. Sa pagitang panahon, ang lahat ng mga kapatid ay nagmamasid sa kanya. Oras na mapatunayan ng isa, na may mantsa ang katauhan o ginawang hindi karapatdapat, ang kasaping nakatuklas ay ipahahapag ang pagtutol sa paggagawad ng biyaya't karangalan ng Masoneria sa kandidato. Dabil diya'y ipipinid ang pintuan ng Masoneria sa Kanya. Ito ay nagpapatunay na ang honor at reputasyon ng Masoneria'y kapananagutan at dapat na ipagtanggol ng lahat at bawa't isang kaanib. Kaya naman ang mga nagkakapalad, ay subok na subok at mapagmamalaki ang katapatan at katalinuhan.

Masaklap na aminin, ngunit isang katotohanang hindi maitatangi na, sa ngayon, ang ating pamantayan ay mababang-mababa na. Hayagang ang pagkakampanya. Malunasan lamang ang kakaunting bilang o mahabang panahong pananalat, bala na'y tinatanggap, kahit na yaong tinanggihan na sa ibang Lohia. Mayroon diyang mga Guro na dahil sa masidhing adhika o ambision ay ang dami ng ipinasok, at hindi ang uri't kagalingan ng mga tumutuktok sa ating pintuan. ang ginagawa nilang sukatan. Karaniwan nating namamasdan na ang mga hindi taus sa puso at nahibo lamang sa pagsapi. ay lumalabas na kakabilanin, walang kapananagutan, ambisyoso at kapag hindi nasunod ang gusto'y naninira pa't nagtitiwalagan. Kailan man at hindi natin nasawat itong nakasisirang-puri nating pamamaraan, magigising tayong isang araw, marami nga tayo'y wala namang puri at karangalan.

Ang ating Iginagalang na Lohia ay hindi dapat na maging isang pangkaraniwang pook kalakalan o komersyal. Kailangang-kailangan ang mga ito ay maging bulwagan o centro ng kabanalan, kultura at kalinisan. Mula sa dambana ng mga Lohia ay dapat mamanaag ang binusilak na Liwanag na magpapaningning at magpapalaganap sa kabuhayang moral at ispiritual sa bayanang kanilang kinalalagyan. Ang sinag na dapat magmula sa mga Lohia ay ang likas na Liwanag na walang kahambing. Hindi tayo ma-kaasang magbigay ng malaganap at maningning na pananglaw ang isang ilawang murang krudo ang kagamitan.

Kung gayon, ang pagkuha ng ating mga tagpagtaguyod a gawing piling-pili. Di ba't tayo ay inaatasang kunin lamang yaong mga taong mabubuti at sikaping lalupang pabutihin. Sanaying gamitin ang isipan sa ikau-unlad ng pamilya at ng Samahan. Ang karunungan pangmasoneria ay gatbat ng mga hiwaga at palaisipan. Ang taong hindi makapagisip, pagkat salat sa karanasan o pinagaralan ay paanong mauunawaan ang ating mga aralin na napakalalalim ang mga ka-

hulugan? Ang pagtuturo sa Masoneria ay hindi tuwiran, pinahihiwigtig lamang. Kailangang gamitin ang sanay at malayang pagiisip. Lalo na't kung aalagatain na ang pamamaraan (technique) sa pagsasalin ng kaalamang pangmason ay sa pamamagitan ng tanda,, salitang pamparaan, alegorya (allegory), simbolismo (symbolism), at iba pa.

Ang sukatan natin sa pag-anggap ng kasapi ay hindi kailanman dapat na iklian, nararapat ay lalong pakataasan. Sa ganitong paraan lamang natin maibubukod ang tulyapis sa palay. ang kusang loob sa sapilitan, ang tunay sa nagbabalatkayo lamang. Hindi sapat na ang isang tao ay may kaya sa buhay. malakas at impluensyal. kailangan ay magangkin siya ng kata-tagang loob, honor, mabuting kaugalian at pakikisama, ngunit higit sa lahat ay ang mayaman at malawak na kaisipan na kanyang mapanghahawakan sa pakikitagis sa maraming suli-taning pansarili't pangkapatiran. Hindi ang dami kundi mga mapagisip na Mason ang ating kailangan upang umunlad ang Kapatiran  $\Delta$

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### 53RD ANNUAL GRAND LODGE COMMUNICATION

Great things will be done and said at the Communication, April 22 to 24, 1969, Plaridel Masonic Temple, 1440 San Marcelino, Manila.

Are you coming? We'll see you then! Good luck, good health, God bless you!

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Rome, alleging that modern Catholicism is a corruption of the faith given to them and their forbears by St. Francis.

They still cling to their mutant Catholicism, corrupted by Buddhist and Shintoist rites and dogmas, because, since they went in hiding, their rites were presided over by Buddhist and Shintoist priests. Their sacraments of baptism, marriage, confirmation, and even funeral, were public social affairs, mid feasting and drinking, while at the same time they had their Catholic rites saying their prayers to their *nandogani*, "God-in-the-closet."

Today, it is not uncommon for them, in their prayers, to say "Our Father, Ave Maria (inserting the names of other local gods), "let's go, let's go, let's go to the temple of paradise..." while a Buddhist or Shintoist priest intones his own rite.

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At the 1967 annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, a motion was approved that Freemasonry in Manitoba support cooperation between Freemasons and Knights of Columbus and members of any other humanely motivated organizations in carrying on the work of fostering the growth of the Order of DeMolay in their area.

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Knights of Columbus and Freemasons in Winnipeg attended a joint mass and church service on November 10, 1968 at the St. Ignatius Roman Catholic Church in Winnipeg, Manitoba. Rev. Fr. G. McGinnis, Curate of the St. Ignatius Church, said the mass and Rev. Earle Gordon, Pastor of St. Andrews River Heights United Church preached the sermon. About

250 Masons and Knights of Columbus entered the Roman Catholic Church side by side in procession, wearing the insignias of their Orders, Lodges and ranks. They were preceded by a guard of honor composed of fourth degree Knights wearing their capes and plummed hats. In his sermon, Rev. Gordon was happy over the fact that "hands are stretched across denominational boundaries." Father McGinnis explained to the congregation the history and purpose of the vestments he was wearing and of the rites he was performing. **△**

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**OUR FACE IS RED — THE CABLETOW**

In 1967 your Cabletow made a savings of P3,911.26. In 1968, we ate up a part of that savings just so we could maintain the minimum of our essential services. The 1967 savings, as it now stands, is not even enough for the reserve for depreciation of our present equipment and furniture; not saying anything about future needs. Yes, we tightened our belts here and there, but things went beyond our control; inflation is all around, prices went up; there was and is no stopping them.

1969 will be worse. Our printer, who carried us with the lowest rate since 1958 had to increase the rate by fifty centavos per page per thousand, still the lowest in the country. Considering that our Cabletow has at least 36 pages of 12,500 copies, the increase since February mounts to a pretty penny. As early as 1968 we requested that the rates be increased from P3.00 & P5.00 to P4.00 & P6.00. Somehow, the request fell through. In April 1969, please be kind enough to approve the request, hereby reiterated, in the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge. **△**

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theatre used as a Lodge hall with rocks for tables and chairs of the officers, and seats for members and visitors. At that particular meeting they raised Bro. Miles R. Kilpatrick. Golden Rule Lodge has an international membership, largely Canadian and American, but at that meeting there were two from Greece and the Philippines. The lone Filipino there was WB Gerardo A. Imperial, PM, Mt. Kaladias Lodge No. 91 in Dumaguete City. Seen last month in Dumaguete, WB Imperial, retired Chemistry Professor of Silliman University, informed this columnist that his attendance at the meeting was one of the biggest thrills of his visit to the United States and Canada where three of his children live and work.  $\Delta$

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## THE MISSION . . . From page 8

its objectives and activities to the people. What little we did, the Director was appreciative of and in consequence, Bro. Jolly Bugarin became also interested in his Scottish Rite Masonry such that he sought life membership in his Bodies. He was impressed that in his lonely, though high position, his Craft was interested enough to help him succeed.

We can add a number more of true accounts of grateful officials mostly non-Masons, who are thankful to Masons for their help in bringing the government closer to the people, without patronage or concessions. This program, if carried on for good, can be the one contribution of Philippine Masonry to the development and progress of our country.

We are about to close the eleventh year, directly or indirectly, mostly directly, of our involvement in The Cabletow. They have been trying but fruitful years, if we may say so ourself. Things have not always turn-

ed out as you and I had wished, but was it not Bro. Robert Burns who said that "the best laid plans of mice and men g'ang aft a'glee"?

If, in all these years, there have been any improvement in The Cabletow, much of the credit must go to the writers and contributors who have put much of their time in writing the articles you have been reading from month to month. Without their assistance, your Cabletow could have had little or no improvement.

If you have noticed a little more local color and detail to our stories and columns, we owe it to our Cabletow, Inc. whose trustees, since we became an independent corporation, have seen fit to put in a small item in the budget for travel from year to year. A good deal of thanks are due to our present Grand Master who has been inviting us to go with him in many of his visitations, in many cases, for free — thus, making our budget item travel a little more. Thanks also to WB Pio Roa.

Before we close, let me say that someday, this Grand Lodge will have a Youth Foundation, like most of the other Grand Lodges in the States, particularly. True, we have been having a Youth Committee, but a Foundation will not only act in an advisory capacity; it will be executive in aims and functions. This, by the way, is more a challenge to involvement, and less a whiff of inspiration!  $\Delta$

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## SCHON . . . From page 10

tinguish you from the multitude.

We are on the eve of momentous accomplishments by our Fraternity, and I do not anticipate seeing any of us to be found wanting at the crucial moment.

I bid you God speed, and may God bless you.  $\Delta$

# OFFICIAL SECTION :

EDICT NO. 55

## TO ALL MASTERS, OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF LODGES UNDER THIS JURISDICTION:

It as been noted that the rituals being used in our Jurisdiction do not give the candidate choice of the Holy Book upon which to take his obligation. As a result, petitioners who are non-Christians may be taking their obligations on the Christian Holy Book.

To obviate this shortcoming, all Lodges in this Jurisdiction shall provide themselves with copies of Holy Writings of principal religions, so that in the event the candidate be a non-Christian, there will be readily at hand the appropriate Sacred Volume upon which to take his obligation. This is especially true in the areas where the population is predominantly Moslem or Hebrew.

When a candidate is being prepared to receive the degrees, he shall be asked upon what Holy Writing he would prefer to take his obligation, and if he has made his choice, it must be complied with, placing on the Altar the preferred Holy Writing, even to the extent, if he is a Roman Catholic, the DOUAY version — other Christians, the ST. JAMES version — of the Holy Bible.

The phraseology to be used when the candidate is requested to indicate his choice is: —

“As Freemasonry admits to its membership men of all religions who believe in God and a life after death, please choose the Holy Book upon which you prefer to take your obligation, and be reminded, if you are a Christian, Jesus Christ as mediator is equally essential to your belief.”

This Edict shall be read in open Lodge at the stated meeting following its receipt, and this action noted in the minutes.

GIVEN under my hand and the seal of the Grand Lodge, at the City of Manila, Philippines, this 27th day of March, 1969.

ATTEST:

(Sgd.) ESTEBAN MUNARRIZ, PGM (Sgd.) JOSEPH E. SCHON  
Grand Secretary Grand Master

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## CIRCULAR NO. 4

Series of 1969 — SCHON

SUBJECT: Unauthorized Publications

## TO ALL MASTERS, WARDENS, OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF SUBORDINATE LODGES:

There have been received at and/or referred to this Grand Lodge Masonic publications in the form of books, printed or mimeographed newsletters and typewritten articles containing statements or affirmations on controversial matters which run counter to the stand of the Grand Lodge and even the tenets of Freemasonry and the Ancient Landmarks.

Needless to say, such publications are availed of by those who are not of the masonic persuasion to drive home their contention that Masonry is a religion and that it goes against the Catholic Church, and vice versa.

In order to protect the overall concept of our Masonic Institution — to enhance its best interests in this Grand Jurisdiction, and without the least intention of curtailing civil rights of anyone, it is the feeling of your Grand Master that the publication of masonic materials or masonic opinions without clearance of this Grand Lodge or its Committee on Public Education before release, shall be considered as running contrary to the best interests of the fraternity and unbecoming the dignity of Masonry.

This circular shall be read in open Lodge at the stated meeting next following its receipt and that fact shall be mentioned in the minutes.

Manila, March 18, 1969.

ATTEST: (Sgd.) JOSEPH E. SCHON  
(Sgd.) ESTEBAN MUNARRIZ, PGM Grand Master  
Grand Secretary

# *Working Together--- To Light a Barrio*

Gen. Dionisio S. Ojeda (Ret.), Knight of Columbus

After many decades of being strangers to each other, the Catholics and the Freemasons finally have become real and close brothers. Both have always believed in the Fatherhood of God and in the brotherhood of men. Before, it was commonly thought that the Freemasons were non-believers. This historic change and understanding came about after the recent encyclicals from Rome advanced the concept of ecumenism. Thus the "dialogues" started among the various religious sects, denominations, or beliefs.

Two years ago, following the principles of ecumenism, the Capitol Council No. 3695 of the Knights of Columbus of Quezon City started parleying with members of the Masonic fraternity, specifically, the Luzon Bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry in the Republic of the Philippines led by youthful Venerable Master Jose B. Abejo and the active Knight, Engineer Rodolfo M. Lejano, Grand Knight of said K of C Council. Auspiciously they held a joint but simple evening social gathering which topped the morning's golf tournament at Camp General Aguinaldo between the brother Knights and brother Masons. That was last March 9, 1968. In the meanwhile, the Catholic Hierarchy in the Philippines made representations in Rome for lifting and clarifying the ban against the Freemasons in the Philippines. Then this year, last March 8, 1969, the second golf tournament and joint evening social were successfully held. This time, the Freemasons and the Knights of Columbus, particularly, the K of C Councils in Quezon City (QC Council No. 1781; Sta. Rita Council No. 4610; Padre Doro Council No. 5765; St.

Joseph Council No. 5710 and Gomburza Council No. 5310) raised money for the installation of mercury vapor lamps in the Enlisted Men's Barrio of Camp Gen. Aguinaldo.

As scheduled, the ceremonial switching of the vapor lamps was done by General Manuel T. Yan, Chief of Staff, AFP, after a mass at the Immaculate Conception Chapel in the EM's barrio park at 5:00 PM, with the Barrio folks, K of C's and Freemasons participating. Also a plaque was unveiled by Mrs. Manuel T. Yan assisted by ladies of the barrio officials, of the Knights and Freemasons. The metal plaque is topped by a figure of two hands in a firm handshake symbolizing the working together of the two brotherhoods, represented by their respective insignias. Then below this are inscribed: "This Installation of Mercury Vapor Lamps in this Enlisted Men's Barrio is a Joint Undertaking of the Knights of Columbus and the Freemasons. Inaugurated 30 March 1969." Then in smaller letters the caption appears thus:

"A Joint Project of the K of C Capitol Council No. 3695 and the Luzon Bodies, A & ASR of Freemasonry."

The inaugural program was highlighted by appropriate speeches and remarks given by Col. Manuel Romero, camp Commander; Grand Master of Masons in the Philippines, MW Joseph E. Schon; District Deputy Sir Knight Francisco Tantoco, Sr. of the District No. 35 of K of C, Quezon City; M/Sgt. Tomas Agupitan, Barrio Captain of the EM Barrio; and by General Manuel T. Yan, Chief of Staff, AFP. S.K. B/Gen Dionisio S. Ojeda (Ret.) was the master of ceremonies.

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Truly it can be said that this is but the beginning of more brotherhood projects of these two fraternal organizations pledged to work together for the benefit of their fellowmen. △

the Masons, when, knowing them now, they are as good a people as any that walk the earth, in fact, in many cases, better.

MW Schon, speaking at the program after the lights were turned on by Gen. Yan, thanked the working committees of the Knights of Columbus and the Freemasons who made possible the donation and insured the success of the night's program. He hoped that the two groups, who now call each other "Brothers" in genuine love and affection, engage in continuing projects not only for their own good, but more especially for the good of the people and government of their communities. NBM △

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## A SONG OF FAITH

*Day will return with a fresher boon;  
God will remember the world!  
Night will come with a newer moon;  
God will remember the world!*

*The fountain of joy is fed with tears,  
And love is lit by the breath of sighs;  
The deepest griefs and the wildest fears  
Have holiest ministries.*

*Strong grows the oak in the sweeping storm;  
Safely the flower sleeps under the snow;  
And the farmer's hearth is never warm  
Till the cold wind starts to blow.*

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— Josiah Gilbert Holland.