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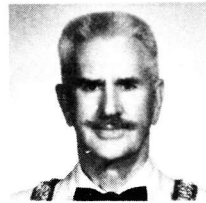
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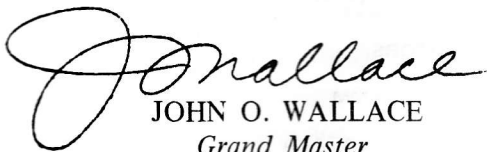
LEADERSHIP IN THE LODGE

Time for election of new officers for the subordinate Lodges is upon us again. We hope this year's officers have fulfilled their promises to the Lodge and are satisfied with their management of the affairs entrusted to their care by their brothers about a year ago. If not, there is still a little time left to get the things done that you thought should be done before you were elected to the chair you presently occupy.

And now as we approach the time to cast our ballots for a new set of officers let us look upon the importance of each chair to be filled and try to place in them the best qualified Masons in the Lodge — those who will take the tasks to heart, those who are leaders, who can command the support and respect of their brothers. It is especially necessary that the Oriental Chair be occupied by one with qualifications to match the importance of the position.

If our fraternity is to gain strength, if it is to improve its image (to us, it is good) it needs the leadership in the subordinate Lodges that has the *vision* to see the things that need to be done *and* the *ability* to get them done. Let us select that kind of Masons.

Fraternally,


JOHN O. WALLACE
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A SYMBOL OF MASONRY

Man lives but for a brief span of years between an infinite past and an infinite future, during which in his struggle for existence the measure of his contribution is not the personal success he achieves and which passes on with his mortal body, but the legacy he leaves behind for future generations to draw upon for inspiration and wisdom to fulfill their mission, in their respective lives. Many men with scholastic brilliance attain legendary attainments difficult to equal, while others quiet and unassuming, by their exemplary lives are true symbols of the Masonic way of life. They, by their daily deeds, practice out of the Lodge those great moral virtues taught within it.

On rare occasions there are men and Masons who not only by their way of life exemplify the true Masonry we each search to find, but by their disciplines and concern for others engrave on the tablets of time memorable examples for all who may follow in the endless centuries yet to come.

Such a man and Mason was M. W. Rev. Dr. Charles Mosebrook, P. G. M. He blazed his trail across this world leaving as his legacy the spiritual inspiration to overcome physical pain by devotion to God through service to his fellow men. What greater living symbol of Masonry could we expect to ever find than in one who lived the MASON'S PRAYER?

Architect Supreme, bend me to Thy will.

Draw Thy plans on the trestle-board of my heart, and commit to me Thy builder's wisdom.

Shape Thou the structure of my life into a temple of character — a fortress of manhood — a stronghold of justice.

Lead me in the paths of truth, O Grand Master of the Universe, that my thoughts and deeds may bring honor to Thy cause.

Teach me that charity which endureth all things, and temper my passion in Thy holy fire.

Circumscribe and keep me within Thy laws, and when it is appointed for me to judge, let me cleave to the plumb-line of Thy divine righteousness.

Grant me fortitude to bear my sufferings by myself, and when my travels are ended take Thou this rough ashlar of mortality unto Thy kingdom of Eternal Light.

Amen. So mote it be.

R.E.W.

MW CHARLES MOSEBROOK, PGM

BY MW MAURO O. BARADI, PGM

Eulogy delivered at the
Memorial Service,
November 2, 1974,
Plaridel Masonic Temple,
1440 San Marcelino,
Manila, Philippines

Friend of the Filipino People

Four times within the last days, various organizations in and around Greater Manila paid tribute to the memory of Dr. Charles Mosebrook. These organizations include the Central United Methodist Church where as Pastor for 18 years (1949-1967), he led the church in its program of physical reconstruction and spiritual growth; the Good Samaritan Church in Quezon City of which he was a founder; the Rotary Club of Manila where he was a prominent member for 16 years; and the Children's Garden (orphanage) in Taytay of which he was a co-founder and benefactor. In 1972, Dr. Mosebrook received a citation for his services to the Filipino people from President Ferdinand E. Marcos of the Philippines. These eloquent tributes constitute a great honor to a friend of the Filipino people.

Man and Mason

This evening, we have assembled in the Plaridel Masonic Temple to honor a man and Mason, MW Charles Mosebrook, 33^o, PGM. This practice of remembering those who have passed to the Great Beyond, has become so important that we as Masons lay aside other matters for awhile in order to cherish the memory of the dead, recall their good works, as well as to "contemplate our own approaching dissolution."

I first met MW Mosebrook in Manila, 27 years ago. I heard his inspiring sermons at the former Union Church of Manila and at the Central Methodist Church where he invited me to speak on several occasions. He served with distinction in the Philippine Christian College and the Philippine Mental Health Association where I was also connected.

In 1948, as Master of High Twelve Lodge No. 82, I invited our distinguished Brother to attend our meetings and speak to our members. He affiliated with our Lodge and was elected Master thereof in 1962. Previous to this, he was a member of East Gate Lodge No. 314 at St. Paul, Minnesota, where he was raised in November, 1929, exactly 45 years ago this month (November); subsequently, he demitted from this Lodge and joined Winona Lodge No. 18 in Winona, Minnesota. I have attended annual communications of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, and visited some Lodges thereunder, and brethren in that Grand Jurisdiction held MW Mosebrook in high esteem.

As Master of High Twelve Lodge No. 82, he lost no time in translating into action his program of Masonic involvement and fruitful cooperation.

In 1964, at the 48th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of the Philippines, he was elected Grand Master. At the installation of officers which followed, he requested MW Cenon S. Cervantes, PGM, and MW William H. Quasha, PGM, to be Installing Officer and Master of Ceremonies, respectively. The Grand Master in his inaugural address suggested "as our goal for our Masonic Lodge in the Philippines: 'Every Mason, a Responsible Citizen.'" During his one-year administration (1964-1965), 5 Lodges were constituted, 2 temples were dedicated, cornerstone for 3 temples were laid, and 5 Lodges were

placed under dispensation. These were some of the tangible results of his active Masonic stewardship.

Amidst his many-sided activities, he became ill, was hospitalized, and underwent serious operations. And yet, neither sickness nor suffering could weaken his determination or dampen his enthusiasm to continue ministering unto the needs of others. When it was known that he would definitely leave the Philippines for retirement in the United States, many entities – religious, educational, charitable, fraternal, civic – vied with one another in giving him send-off parties, and again he was presented with plaques and citations and souvenirs for distinguished service.

For the United States

In October, 1972, our MW Brother – accompanied by his dear wife, Ethel – finally left for the United States with the best wishes and fervent prayers of co-workers, brethren, and friends for a safe journey and a well-earned rest. Instead of going to St. Paul, Minnesota where our late Past Grand Master was born 67 years ago – August 7, 1907 – the couple chose Ames, Iowa as their permanent residence close to members of their family. Our MW Brother had been going to the Mayo Clinic – of the famous Mayo brothers who were well known Masons – for treatment and special therapy. Later, his sickness turned from bad to worse; his operations – eight in all – took their heavy toll. On October 21,

1974, our Brother passed away, a victim of cancer.

His Wealth and Riches

Many men have endeavored to be of help during their sojourn on earth; but our deceased Brother was among the few who have selflessly given to the fullest degree of their talents and energies to their fellow men. Materially, he was poor but he had plenty of friends and brethren everywhere. This fact, our Illustrious Brother confirmed publicly when in his sermon entitled, "Needed: Men of Principles" which he delivered on February 13, 1972 at the Central United Methodist Church marking the conclusion of the 22nd Annual Meeting of the Supreme Council 33^O if the Republic of the Philippines, he stated:

"None of you know it, but truly I am an oligarch. I am one of the richest men in all the Philippines. I have no bank account; I own no property; the furniture in our house is furnished us; the car I drive is not really my own – but these things do not make for wealth and riches. My wealth and riches are found in the friendship that I have found here among the membership of Central Church and among my Masonic brethren."

Condolence to . . . his loved Ones

In this Lodge of Master Masons – for the time being a Lodge of (Remembrance) Sorrow – we, the members of High Twelve Lodge No. 82 join the Masonic Fraternity in

extending our deepest sympathy and condolence to his bereaved widow, his children, his grandson, and all his loved ones. May they be consoled with the knowledge that Brother Charles wisely invested his life in doing good unto others; and may they be strengthened by the evidence that the world is better because he passed this way before.

"CM" – a Message and a Reminder

It seems as if it were only yesterday that we felt the warmth of Brother Charles' handclasp and heard his ringing voice of trust and confidence. He was intimately known by many names – Charlie, Brother Charles, Pastor or Reverend Mosebrook, Professor Mosebrook, Dr. Mosebrook, Daddy Mosebrook. However, his very initials, "CM" are just as good, for they constitute a message and a reminder, thus:

C stands for the Christian,
Believer in Christ, Son of
Good
And the religion based on His
teachings.

M represents the Mason
Whose faith is in the Lord
"For in Him we live, and move,
and have our being."

Be Prepared to Welcome Death

And when, at last, we, his brethren approach eventide, and from our grasp shall fall forever the working tools of life, may we, like our departed Brother, "be prepared to welcome death, not as a grim tyrant

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CHARLES MOSEBROOK, PGM

BY WILLIAM C. COUNCELL, PGM

In the stillness of the hour, come thoughts of our beloved brother, Charles Mosebrook, who walked with us often and now vanished. His 'way of life, was that of a great humanitarian – he was a soldier of God. Today, the fraternal sentiment of this Order makes recognition and speaks its tribute. Words of faith and hope have been spoken by those whose ministry it is to comfort the sorrowing and to interpret the ways of God to man. Charles has gone to meet his destiny. But we pause here to remember him, as he would pause to remember anyone of us. We seek to honor him, but it is he who honors us.

To have known such a Mason was a joy, and to remember him a privilege. He filled many places, many were the lines of his activity; countless influence went out from him. He added intellect and character to his community and his death has left the world poorer. Because he lived so nobly, it makes it easier for all of us to see the truth and to do the right.

He could look out over the rivers, the hills, and the far horizon with a profound sense of his own littleness in the vast scheme of things, and yet have faith, hope, and courage. He knew that down in his heart every man is as noble, as vile, as divine, as diabolic, and as lonely as himself, and seeks to know, to forgive, and to love his fellow man.

He knew how to sympathize with men in their sorrows, yes, even in their sins – knowing that each man fights a hard fight against many odds. He had learned to make friends and to keep them, and above all to keep friends with himself.

He loved flowers, could hunt birds without a gun, and felt the thrill of an old, forgotten joy when he heard the laugh of a little child.

No voice of distress reached his ear in vain, and no hand sought his aid without response. He found good in every faith that helps any man to see majestic meanings in life, whatever the name of that

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Vatican-Masonry hostilities end

VATICAN CITY, Oct. 18 (AP) — A recent Vatican document has ended three and a half centuries of church hostility against Masonry.

The Vatican document, first released in the United States, was illustrated Thursday in a Vatican publication.

"No one can deny today that Masonry aims at humanitarian goals," said Archbishop Ferdinando Lambruschini in *Osservatore della Domenica*, the Vatican weekly.

Pope Clemens XII excommunicated all Catholics joining Masonry in 1738 and since then the most serious moral punishment the church can deal has been restated in papal pronouncements and in the church's Canon Law.

In a letter last July, Franjo Cardinal Seper, head of the Vatican congregation for the doctrine of the faith, told bishops in many nations they could relax the ban locally as they saw it fit.

The letter said that Catholics would run into excommunication only if they joined Masons groups which are engaged in "really conspiracy against the church". But

it restated a total ban for priests and religious to join any Mason group.

Illustrating the document, Rome's Jesuit fortnightly *Civiltà Cattolica* said it was the first time the ban on Masonry was relaxed by the Vatican, It said:

"From now on it will belong to individual episcopal conferences to issue a judgement on the various kinds of Masonry and their real attitude to the church

"In all case, it is necessary to be very cautious in avoiding any undue generalization both in a restrictive and in a permissive sense".

Catholics who have been Masons for some time, *Civiltà Cattolica* said, "must no longer be regarded as excommunicated and therefore can partake of the sacraments".

Civiltà Cattolica said priests and religious were still under a total ban because their being Masons would cause confusion and even scandal among believers "at least according to current mentality virtually spread worldwide."

—Daily Express
October 19, 1974

MASONIC DISTRICT NO. 11

ANNUAL CONVENTION

Masonic District No. 11, composed of Malinaw Lodge No. 25, Pinagsabitan Lodge No. 72 and Sierra Madre Lodge No. 181 held its Annual Convention on October 12, 1974 at the YMCA Auditorium in San Pablo City. Malinaw Lodge No. 25 hosted the convention.

MW John O. Wallace, Grand Master, accompanied by RW Jose L. Araneta, Senior Grand Warden, RW Calixto O. Zaldivar, Junior Grand Warden, MW Damaso C. Tria, Grand Treasurer, MW Esteban Munarriz, Grand Secretary, VW William Chua, Grand Sword Bearer, VW Henry P. Merrifield, Grand Marshall and VW Hermogenes P. Oliveros, Grand Lecturer were received with Grand honors.

WB Isidoro Corpuz gave the invocation and WB Yu Kim Pue, Master of Malinaw Lodge No. 25 made the opening remarks. The welcome address was delivered by Hon. Cesar Dizon, Mayor of San Pablo City. RW Calixto O. Zaldivar delivered the keynote address. He was introduced by WB Dominador Labit, District Coordinator of Masonic District No. 11 .

The officers of the executive council of District No. 11 lead by RW Ricardo C. Buenafe, District Deputy, as Chairman, were installed into office by MW John O. Wallace with VW Hermogenes P. Oliveros as Master of Ceremonies. Installed

were: VW Rudolfo R. Soriano, JGL, Vice-Chairman; WB Eduardo Constantino, Coordinator; Bro. Gregorio C. Barreto, Secretary-Treasurer and WB Magdaleno Dimaranan, Auditor.

The members of the Council are: WB Yu Kim Pue, WB Florencio C. Robles, WB Antonio E. Lacsam, WB Eugenio Enriquez, WB Cirilo D. Constantino, WB Bonifacio T. Mercado, WB Rudolfo D. Reyes, WB Jose M. Karagdag, WB Carmelo Arrieta, WB Cecilio M. Bituin, WB Diego S. Calma, and WB Primo Empederado.

Bros. Paterno U. Aquino, Danilo S. Dayan, Francisco L. Tan, Florencio M. Pesigan, Clemente P. Juliano, Jr., Isaac C. Cagampang, Tito J. Rimando, Rosauro Magcalas, Miguel Cabrales, Andres Del Mundo, Eugenio Caguin, Alfredo Bobadilla, Felipe Mallari, Ernesto C. Pagalanan and Fabian Palos, Jr.

The Masters of each of the four Lodges gave a two-minute reports on the state of their Lodges.

Certificates of Life Membership were presented to: WB Nicanor G. Teodoro, WB Teodoro C. Delizo, WB Martin Aguilar and Bro. Eduardo Religioso.

Twenty-Five Year Pins and Certificates were presented to WB Florencio C. Robles, WB Cirilo D. Constantino, WB Rosario T. Cortez

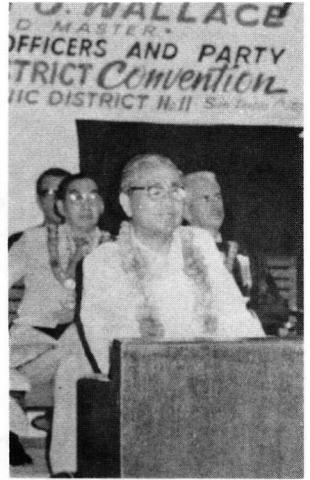
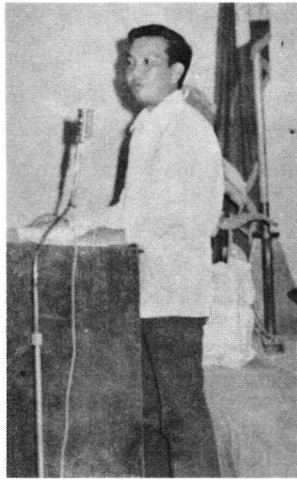
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MW JOHN O. WALLACE ADDRESSING THE BRETHERN OF DISTRICT NO 11 AT THE FLORAL OFFERING AT THE RIZAL MONUMENT IN SAN PABLO CITY.



GRAND HONORS FOR THE GRAND MASTER AND HIS PARTY

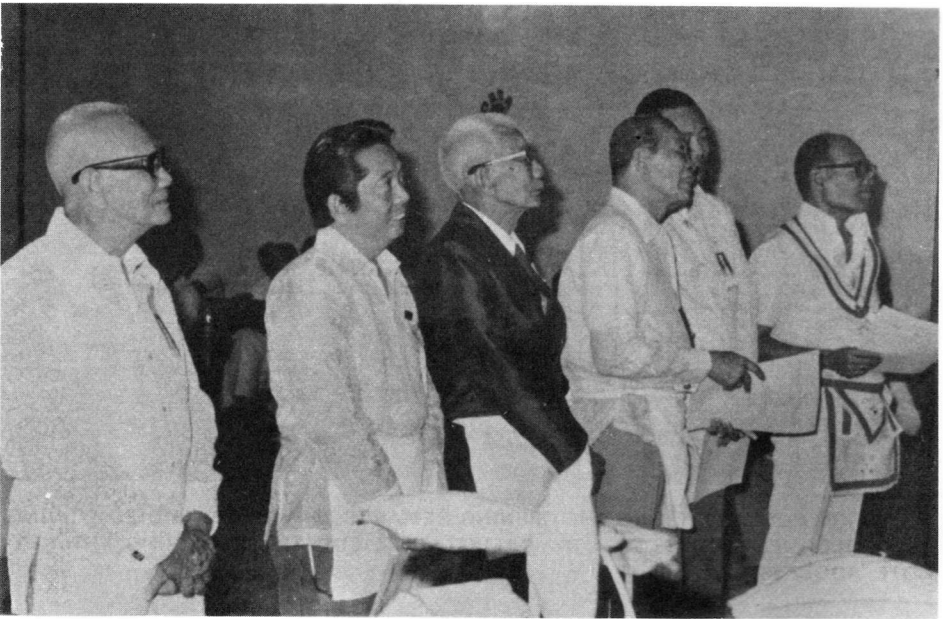


WB YU KIM PUE DELIVERING THE OPENING REMARKS, MAYOR CESAR DIZON GIVING THE WELCOME ADDRESS AND RW CALIXTO O. ZALDIVAR DELIVERING THE KEY-NOTE ADDRESS.

MASONIC DISTRICT NO. 11 CONVENTION IN PICTURES



THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, DISTRICT OFFICE OF MASONIC DISTRICT NO. 11 INSTALLED TO OFFICE BY MR. JOHN O. WALLACE.



SOME OF THE AWARDEES WHO RECEIVED THEIR CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION, LIFE MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES AND DIPLOMAS.



MW JOHN O. WALLACE DELIVERING THE CLOSING REMARKS.

THE 1974 SHRINE CEREMONIAL



The Nile Temple, Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, in cooperation with the Philippine Shrine Association held its ceremonial on October 19, 1974 in Manila.

On October 16-17, the York Rite Bodies C.W. Rosenstock No. 1, Oriental Council No. 1 and Far East Commandery No. 1 held its conferral to accommodate those who wish to join the Shrine.

The Philippine Bodies A & A.S.R. held its year-end conferral on October 14-15, 1974 at the Jose Abad Santos Hall of the Plaridel Masonic Temple. The Luzon Bodies A&ASR also held its year-end reunion on October 16-17, 1974 at the Green Hall of the Scottish Rite Temple.

The Nile Divan, headed by Noble Warren H. Ploecer, Potentate, paid a courtesy call on MW John O. Wallace, Grand Master, at the latter's office. Other members of the Potentate's entourage were: Noble Allen B. Morgan, Chief Rabban; Noble Robert C. Kercheval, Jr., High-Priest & Prophet; Noble Frank

Platt, Assistant Rabban; Noble L. J. Dowell, PP, Treasurer and Noble Douglas Vicary, Oriental Guide.

Also on hand to meet the Divan were: RW Teodoro V. Kalaw, Jr., Deputy Grand Master; Jose L. Araneta, Senior Grand Warden; MW Esteban Munarriz, Grand Secretary and MW Raymond E. Wilmarth, PGM, Assistant Grand Treasurer.

MW John O. Wallace tendered a luncheon at the Army and Navy Club in honor of the visiting firemen.

The first section of the ceremonial was held at the Scottish Rite Temple. After Lunch, the Novices paraded thru the city streets to the Plaridel Temple where the wrecking crew took over from the Camel Herders for the second section of the ceremonial.

The Potentate's Ball was held at the Coral Ballroom of the Manila Hilton in the evening.

While the ceremonial was going on, the ladies of the Nobles toured the scenic spots around the city.



THE NILE TEMPLE DIVAN PAID A COURTESY CALL ON THE GRAND MASTER AT THE LATTER'S OFFICE. PHOTO SHOWS (L-R) MW. RAYMOND E. WILMARTH, PGM, ASSISTANT GRAND TREASURER; NOBLE L. J. DOWELL, NILE TREASURER, RW. TEODORO V. KALAW, JR., DEPUTY GRAND MASTER; NOBLE ALLEN B. MORGAN, CHIEF RABBAN, MW JOHN O. WALLACE, GRAND MASTER; NOBLE WARREN H. PLOEGER, POTENTATE; MW ESTEBAN MUNARRIZ, GRAND SECRETARY, AND NOBLE FRANK PLATT, ASSISTANT RABBAN.

EX-CABLETOW EDITOR DIES

WB Nestorio Baldonado Melocoton, former Managing Editor of The Cabletow died October 20, 1974 in Dumaguete City.

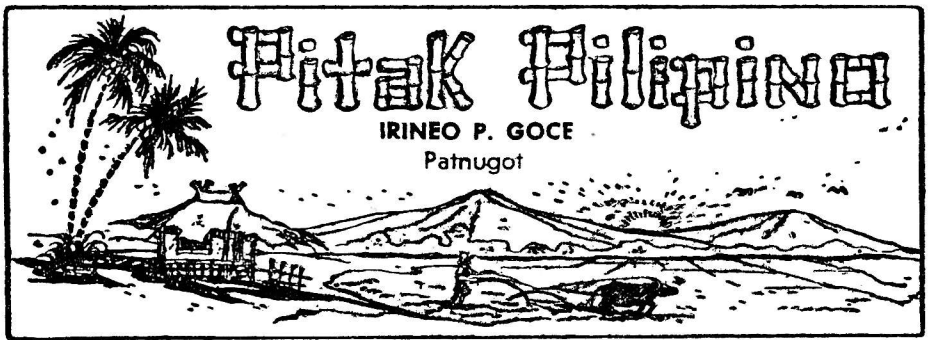
Bro. Mel first joined the Cabletow in the early sixties as a member of the Committee on Cabletow of the Grand Lodge. He subsequently held the position of Business Manager, member of the Board of Editors, and finally Managing Editor of the magazine. He was one of the moving spirit in having the Cabletow incorporated. He held the position of Managing Editor until 1972 when he decided to joined the Mindanao State University.

Bro. Melocoton was a member of Zapote Lodge No. 29 where he

became its Past Master. He was also a member of the Luzon Bodies, A. & A. S. R. and was decorated a Knight Commander in the Court of Honor by the Supreme Council, 33^o, A. & A. S. R.

Sister Vicenta Melocoton, the widow of Bro. Mel is a member of the Sampaguita Chapter, O.E.S. His daughter Sister Grace M. Elefano is also a member of the Eastern Star.

Bro. Melocoton not only devoted his time to the Cabletow. He was also very much involved in the activities of the youth organization, particularly the DeMolay movement and the Job's Daughters.



“MGA ALAGAD NI BONIFACIO” – PUWEDE KAYA?

NI IRINEO P. GOCE

Ang ating bayaning Kapatid na Andres Bonifacio ay natanyag bilang isang “Dakilang Dukha,” sapagka’t siya ang nagtatag ng naging bantog nating **Katipunan**, ang dakilang samahan ng mga anak ng bayan na nagbunsod sa ating pambansang paghihimagsik laban sa mga nanakop na dayuhan. Mayroong katulad rin niyang mga bayaning naging tanyag, marahil ay lalo’t higit kaysa kaniya, subali’t hindi kaya maging tumpak na ang kapatid nating ito ay mapag-ukulan din ng isang patuluyang alaala?

Ang nais ipabatid rito ay kagaya halimbawa ng mga kapisanang **Knights of Rizal, Knights of Columbus, Friends of Roxas**, atbp. Hindi kaya angkop na ang alaala ng ating “Dakilang Dukha” ay mapamalagi rin natin sa pamamagitan ng pagtataguyod ng isang kapisanan, ha-

limbawa, na matatawag nating “Mga Alagad ni Bonifacio?”

Sa tuwing ika-30 ng Nobyembre taun-taon ay ginugunita sa ating kasaysayan ang kapanganakan ng ating bayaning dukha. Sa pagkaka-taong ito ay tila бага marapat na talakayin na rin natin ang ilang mga natatanging yugto sa kaniyang buhay. Datapuwa’t ang isang malaking pagkukulang sa ating Kapatiran ay ang kawalan ng mga detalye hinggil sa kaniyang pagiging isang Mason. Sa makasaysayang aklat ni Teodoro Agoncillo, ang **Revolt of the Masses**, ay bahagya man lang nabangit na si Kap. na Bonifacio ay sa Lohiyang **Taliba** naging kasapi ng ating Kapatiran.

Ang kaniyang pagkamasugid na Mason ay nababakas natin sa kato-tohanang ang mga pamamaraan ng Masoneriya ang ginamit niya sa pag-

kapagtatag at pagpapalaganap ng Katipunan dito sa bansa, bilang panimula ng puspusang paghihimagsik laban sa mga nanakop na Kastila. Ito rin marahil ang malaking dahilan kung bakit naging mata-gumpay ang pagkalaganap ng Kati-punan, sapagka't ang Masoneriya ay nakasalig sa kahalagahan ng ka-layaan ng bawat nilalang, na siya rin namang tanging layunin ng ating mga bayani na namuno sa himagsi-kan.

Tangi sa pagkakilala bilang ama ng Katipunan, ang ating Kap. na Bonifacio ay nakilala rin bilang isang hamak na **bodeguero** lamang, at hindi halos mapagwari ng kaniyang mga kabalantay at nakakilala na makapag-iwan ang pobreng Bonifacio ng ginintuang pangalan sa ating kasaysayang pambansa. Ang unang pansin kay Bonifacio diuma-no ay nang dumadalo lamang siya sa mga pagmimiting ng **La Liga Filipina**, isang samahang itinatag ni Kap. Jose P. Rizal upang tumuklas ng mga reporma sa maling mga pa-mamalakad ng pamahalaang Kastila dito sa bansa.

Ang ika-7 ng Hulyo 1892 ay nag-silbing takip-silim sa ating kasay-sayan, sapagka't yaon ang araw nang ipinublika ang pagpapatapon sa Da-pitan kay Rizal. Kinagabihan ng araw na iyon ay nagtagpo sina Bonifacio, Deodato Arellano, Valentin Diaz, Teodoro Plata, Ladislao Diwa, Jose Dizon, atbp. sa Nu. 72 Azcar-raga (C.M. Recto) sa bahay ni Deo-

dato Arellano, isang bayaw ni Kap. Marcelo del Pilar. Sa masugid na pamumuno ni Bonifacio ay doon isinilang ang **Katipunan**.

Lubhang napakahaba ang kadili-man ng gabi sa kasaysayan ng bansa, samantalang lihim namang lumago ang Katipunan bilang paghahanda ng mga anak ng bayan para sa isang malaki at puspusang pag-aaklas la-ban sa nanakop na mga dayuhan. Apat na taong singkad na ang Kati-punan ay inaruga, kinandili at pina-lago sa mga pamamaraang katulad ng sa Masoneriya; at ang karamihan sa naging mga kasapi ng Katipunan ay mga Mason din naman. Sa loob ng panahong iyon, ang katauhan ni Bonifacio ay para bagang suma-lunga sa isang makasaysayang pag-babago.

Isang anak-pawis, na sa kamus-musan ay siniphayo na ng tadhana; sa pagiging ulila ay naging magulang na rin siya ng lima niyang mga ka-patid. Nagsimula siyang kumita ng ikabubuhay sa paggawa ng mga bas-ton at pamaypay na kaniyang ini-lako sa mga lansangan. Naging ma-sugid siya sa pagbabasa, pala-aral, at kung bagaman hindi nakapag-aral ng pormal, malaki rin ang kaniyang natutunan sa mga aklat: sa **French Revolution**, **The Wandering Jew**, **Ruins of Palmyra**, **Les Miserables**, ang Bibliya, ang **Noli Me Tangere** at **El Filibusterismo** ni Ri-zal, mga aklat ukol sa batas, at ma-ging ang talambuhay ng mga Pa-ngulo ng Estados Unidos. Sa loob

ng apat na taong patuloy ang paglago ng Katipunan, si Bonifacio ay nagbago rin sa anyo ng katauhan — mula sa pagiging isang bodeguero ay naging Supremo ng Katipunan.

Datapuwa't anumang tagumpay ng kahi't sino, tulad rin ng bundok, ito ay may rurok, ituktok o hangganan. At ang Katipunan naman — napakalawak na at malaganap — ay sumapit sa yugto na hindi na sapat ang kakayahan ni Bonifacio upang magpatuloy siya sa pamumuno. Marami ang lumitaw na mga lider, at ang isa rito ay si Emilio Aguinaldo na nakilalang higit na mahusay maminuno sa mga pakikidigma laban sa mga kaaway. tila бага ang pagiging Mason at kasapi ng Katipunan sa kapanahunang iyon ay hindi nagkakaiba.

Dahilan pa rin nga sa paglawak ng Katipunan ay nagkaroon ng mga hidwaan sa mga pamumuno. Ang pamunuan sa lalawigan ng Kabite ay nahati nuon sa dalawang pangkat — ang **Magdiwang** at ang **Magdalo**. Ang **Magdiwang** ay nasa ilalim ni Mariano Alvarez, isang tiyuhin ni Gregoria de Jesus, ang maybahay ni Bonifacio; at ang **Magdalo** naman ay nasa ilalim ni Baldomero Aguinaldo, kapatid ni Don Emilio. Bilang Supremo ng Katipunan, si Bonifacio ay pinakiusapan ng mga taga **Magdiwang** upang mamagitan sa nasabing hidwaan. Sinikap ng mga lider na mapag-isa ang pamunuan sa Kabite, at nagkaroon ng mga plano sa pagbabago sa Katipu-

nan.

Isa itong mariing dagok sa dibdib ni Bonifacio, na pinalubha pa rin ng isang matinding pagkakamali, nang sa dapat gampanang pamamagitan sa nagkakahidwaang mga pamunuan ng **Magdiwang** at **Magdalo** ay naging lantad ang pagkiling niya sa panig ng **Magdiwang**. At sa naganap na eleksiyon sa kumbensiyon ng Teheros ay nahalal si Emilio Aguinaldo bilang Pangulo ng Pamahalaang Naghihimagsik. Ang pagkahalal kay Bonifacio bilang Direktor sa Kapakanang Panloob ay tinutulan pa ng isang taga pangkat ng **Magdalo**, dahilan umano sa hindi angkop kay Bonifacio ang ganoong napakataas na tungkulin sapagka't hindi siya abugado. Si Bonifacio, na nuon ay siyang namumuno sa kumbensiyon, ay napikon. Idineklara niyang walang bisa ang halalan — isa na namang pagkakamali.

Sa isang iglap, si Bonifacio na pinaratangan ng ilan na may “kilos-hari” ay biglang nagbago mula sa pagiging Supremo na ngayon ay nag-aaklas laban sa Pamahalaang Naghihimagsik. Subali't hindi naiwasan ang paglahok ng mga kainggitan, maling mga paratang, kasakiman at pagsasamantala ng ilan. Gayon nga kaya ang buhay, na tulad sa mga nag-aaway na aso sa lansangan, na kung alin ang nagagapi at natatalo sa labanan ay pinagtutulung-tulungan na rin ng ibang mga aso? May mga panahon sa buhay ng tao na ang kaugaliang hayop ay

gumigiit na lumitaw.

Si Bonifacio at ang kapatid niyang si Procopio — sapagka't ang kapatid na si Ciriaco ay napatay na sa barilan — ay nabihag. Isang balighong pangyayari pa rin na ang mga paratang laban kay Bonifacio ay si Severino de las Alas, isang lider sa **Magdiwang**, ang nagharap. Napatunayang nagkasala si Bonifacio, at ang hatol sa kanila ni Procopio ay bitay. Ang hatol na ito ay pinagtibay ng Sanggunian sa Digma na pinamumunuan ni Mariano Noriel, isa ring dating kapanalig ni Bonifacio na sa dakong huli ay nagkanulo sa Supremo. Binago ni Pangulong Aguinaldo ang hatol na bitay, sa pagpapatapon lamang. Si Noriel at Pio del Pilar, isa pa ring dating kapanalig ni Bonifacio, ay mapilit at sinikap ipabawi kay Aguinaldo ang pagpapatawad, upang ituloy ang bitay.

Umagang-umaga nuong ika-10 ng Mayo 1897, tinawag ni Noriel si Major Lazaro Makapagal, inutusan itong kumuha ng apat na kawal na makasama sa paghahatid sa magkapatid na Andres at Procopio Bonifacio sa Bundok ng Tala, malapit sa bayan ng Maragondon. May sulat-kautusang nakasobre na ibinigay si Noriel kay Makapagal at nagbiling doon ito bubuksan pagkarating nila sa Bundok ng Tala. Nang nasa gulod pa sila ng Bundok ng Buntis, bago dumating sa Tala, sa kainipan ng magkakasama ay napilitang buksan na rin ni Makapagal ang liham. Bi-

nasa niya ang kautusang pagpapabaril sa magkapatid. Nagulumihan silang lahat.

Nang pagbalikang-ulirat si Bonifacio, na nuon ay lubhang nanghina sa malayong paglalakad samantalang tinitiiis pa rin ang hapdi ng mga sugat sa leeg at kamay na tinamo nang siya'y mabihag, napansin niyang wala na ang kaniyang kapatid na Procopio at ang dalawang kawal. Kinabahan siya at nagtanong kung saan dinala ang kaniyang kapatid. Nanikluhod siya, nagmakaawa, at humingi ng tawad kay Makapagal. Subali't ang huli'y tumutupad ng tungkulin, sumusunod sa utos ng Pangulo ng Pamahalaang Naghihimagsik. Hindi makakibo si Makapagal.

Biglang dumagsa sa kaisipan ni Bonifacio ang buong kasaysayan ng Katipunan, ng kaniyang pagiging Supremo, pamumuno sa isang malawakang himagsikan upang ang kalayaan ng bayan ay mabawi, at ito ang ganti — isang napakaabang kamatayan. Sa isang iglap ay waring siya'y nabaliw, naglaho ang katuwiran, bumitiw sa pagkayakap kay Makapagal at parang nasiraan ng bait, nagtatakbo siya sa kagubatan. Nguni't higit na Mabilis ang punlo. At doon nagwakas ang buhay ng Supremo ng Katipunan.

Hindi mapapawi ng anumang pagkakamaling pangkatauhan ang utang ng bansa kay Bonifacio. Ang lahat na mga anak ng bayan ay may pananagutan at tungkuling panatili-

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ON MASONIC EDUCATION

374. *Is there any degree which deals with the completion of the Temple of Solomon and its dedication?*

The Degree of Most Excellent Master of Royal Arch of the York Rite deals with completion and dedication of the Temple of Solomon.

375. *Does the implication that the Degree of Master Mason is incomplete appear in any Masonic document?*

The implication that the Degree of Master Mason is incomplete appears in the Articles of Union of 1813 when the United Grand Lodge of England was formed by the union of the rival Grand Lodges: the Grand Lodge of England organized in 1717 and the Grand Lodge of England according to the old institutions organized in 1751. In that document it was "declared and pronounced that pure Ancient Masonry consists of three degrees and no more, *viz.*, those of the Entered Apprentice, the Fellow Craft, and the Master Mason, including the Supreme Order of the Holy Royal Arch." It is to be noted, however, that the Degree of Holy Royal Arch is not under the United Grand Lodge but under the United Grand Chapter of Royal Arch of England formed in 1817.

376. *The Temple of Solomon had its entrance in the East, why is the entrance of the Lodge in the West?*

The entrance of the Lodge is in the West in order that the Master's seat may be in the East because at his installation he is charged: "For a pattern of imitation consider the great luminary of nature, which, rising in the East, regularly diffuses light and luster to all within its circle. In like manner, *it is your province to spread and communicate light and instruction to the brethren of your Lodge.*" (*Italics supplied.*)

377. *Are the three Lesser Lights in Masonry always placed in the form of a triangle near or around the Altar?*

The three Lesser Lights in Masonry are not always placed in the form of a triangle near or around the Altar. In British Lodges the lights are placed respectively at the stations of the Master and the Senior and Junior Wardens.

MGA ALAGAD NI *From page 18*
hing buhay ang kaniyang alaala. Nuong nakaraang Mayo 10, 1974 ay pormal na itinatag ng ating Kapatiran ang Lohiyang Andres Bonifacio Blg. 199, sa Lungsod ng Kalo-
okan. Subali't hindi pa marahil ito sapat upang bigyang bisa ang tumpak na pagpapahalaga sa naging puhunan at adhika para sa bansa ng Dakilang Dukha.

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but as a kind messenger sent to translate us from this imperfect to that all perfect, glorious, and celestial Lodge above where the Supreme Grand Master of the Universe forever presides.”

M. W. CHARLES *From page 7*
faith may be.
He could look into a wayside puddle and see something besides mud and into the face of the most forlorn fellow mortal and see something beyond sin.
He knew how to pray, how to love, how to hope. He kept faith with himself, with his fellow man, with his God; in his hand a sword for evil, in his heart a bit of song

MASONIC DISTRICT *From page 9*
and Bro. Pedro L. Deza.

The Diploma of Merit was presented to WB Clemente M. Juliano. RW Jose L. Araneta took the floor to present to the Delegates the plans of the Grand Lodge Building Committee of which he is Chairman.

The closing remarks was given by MW John O. Wallace, Grand Master.

While the delegates were in Convention Mrs. Nellie Constantino, wife of WB Cirilo D. Constantino entertained the ladies that came with the Brethren.

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— glad to live, but not afraid to die.
Our dear brother found the only real secret of Freemasonry, and the one which it is trying to give to all the world.
He never asked a Brother his creed — He only sought his need.
May the soul of our departed Brother rest in Peace and
May Light Perpetual shine upon him. AMEN.

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