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# HARMONY

It has been my great pleasure to visit our overseas Lodges starting May 28, 1978. I was accompanied by my wife and our ageless and tireless Grand Secretary, MW Esteban Munarriz. Our itinerary included Taipei, Seoul, Taegu, Tokyo, Guam and Okinawa. The brevity of our stay in each of these places made our schedule very hectic but nonetheless very rewarding.

The most pleasant observation I have made was the undisguised harmony obtaining among the brethren in all the Lodges we visited. Any assignment given was accepted cheerfully. Our out-of-the Lodge affairs were characterized by the attendance of the wives and children of Masons. To top it all, our party was relieved of all inconveniences and other irritants that usually attend most travels. Any non-Mason would be readily convinced that there is indeed that indescribable greatness of generosity of heart wherever and whenever Masons meet.

I do wish to give emphasis on the harmony existing among the brethren in our overseas Lodges, not based on the assumption that Lodges in the country are wanting in it, but because of the relatively heavy turn out of new and young prospective members who knock at the door of our fraternity. It is therefore expected that the elder brethren especially must, as a matter of fraternal duty, continually inculcate in the minds of the younger Masons the basic principles of our Craft – to meet on the level, act by the plumb and part upon the square. Masons that we are, we should at all times be aware of our own shortcomings and personal limitations, and therefore make allowances for errors or omissions committed in good faith.

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## MASONS AND NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE

Once again this month our nation commemorates the day when our earlier leaders declared our country's independence from foreign rule. The day was June 12, 1898, or eighty years ago. Independence was not realized, however, at the moment it was declared until today after a long and tedious process of evolvement.

It is worthy of note that after 80 years following the declaration of our independence, no less than the titular head of our country and government, President and Prime Minister Ferdinand E. Marcos, announced to the whole world that "for the first time, the Filipino people are truly sovereign over their land."

On June 12, 1978, when President Marcos took his oath as Prime Minister before the opening of the *Interim Batasang Pambansa*, a new Government entered into the service of our Republic. It was also the start of the first session of the interim legislative assembly. And what made the event more meaningful was the historic pronouncement of Mr. Marcos when he said:

"For the first time in our history, no foreign colonizer holds any right of sovereignty over any part of our territory. Barely a month ago, the American government tardily but formally recognized the supremacy of our sovereignty over the military bases.

"We celebrate our day of independence with an act of freedom. We have organized a government in accordance with a Constitution formulated and ratified at the instance and mandate of our people without the intervention of any foreign power.

"We adopt a form of government completely different from all others that we have known, a mixture of the presidential and parliamentary form of government. Today, we manifest in formal form our shift from authoritarianism to liberalism against the trend of history which claims the irreversibility of the drift towards authoritarianism and centralism."

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# LIVING IN TODAY'S WORLD

By Harold Sherman

Living in today's world is not easy. You are surrounded, at all times, by the thought vibrations of others, constructive and destructive. To a degree, you are compelled to live dangerously because there always exists the potentiality of so many things happening at any point in your life. Nothing is just the same as it was even a minute before, since you are alive in a universe of constant change.

For example, you are continually growing older. It is a process you cannot arrest. A baby does not long remain a baby. Childhood soon passes into adolescence, then into young manhood and womanhood, on into middle age, and almost in a snap of the fingers, figuratively speaking, you are in the twilight zone of life on this earth.

It is a journey beset with soul-testing experiences, during which you have either learned, or refused to learn, by the mistakes you have made, how to live happily and successfully.

But happiness and success are only relative terms, because happiness to some does not mean happiness to others, and success has so many different standards.

At whatever crossroads you may now find yourself in life, it may be well to pause and ask yourself where you are on life's journey; what you feel you have accomplished thus far, or failed to accomplish, and what you think you have a right to expect, as a result of where you are, to bring your future.

Since your future is only an extension of what you have developed or attracted to yourself in your past, it should not be difficult, understanding this, to predict fairly accurately what lies potentially ahead for you.

If the days to come do not look promising, if you are contending at present with ill health, or economic and other circumstances that seem to be beyond your control, you need to make every effort to change these conditions by lifting yourself out of your feelings of depression and apprehension.

Be now, if you have accepted as true that "like always attracts like" in the realm of thought, you should be eternally aware of the vital part your mind plays in everything you do or hope to do in life. Your mind is your tool to fashion,

as best you can, the life that was entrusted to you at birth.

You will ultimately be called to an accounting of your own thoughts and acts and sit in judgment on yourself. It is how you have reacted, mentally and emotionally, to what has happened to you that has determined, to a great degree, your attitude towards others and the character and temperament you now possess.

As you review your life in the looking glass of your memory and try to see yourself as others may have seen you, the pictures projected may not always be appealing. There are so many things, for instance, as I look back over seventy-seven years, that I would not change if I could. But they have become part of an imperishable record, good experiences admixed with many not so good—and yet, in seeing my own life in retrospect, it has perhaps been no better or worse than the life history of any average human.

Certainly, it achieves no useful purpose to waste time and energy in lamenting the past. The future is your everpresent opportunity to make atonement in many ways and to start anew. Your body chemistry changes with your changes of thought, just as do events in and around you.

A man over ninety-two years young wrote me recently to say that he had, in the past year taken up painting, and had discovered a new talent he never knew he had. He attributed his youthful spirit and acuteness of mind at his age to his built-in willingness to try new things and to keep busy physically and mentally to remain interested

in others, to be helpful to them whenever and wherever possible.

“I have proved that life can be wonderful at any age,” he said, “largely dependent on how you face it. The advent of physical infirmities is not pleasant to contemplate and we must accept the fact that our bodies were not created for immortality in this life. Immortality is related to change. You get a new body as you get a new suit, so to speak, when the need arises—and it is my belief that our Creator has provided the place as well as the vehicle for us to occupy, just as He has here, when the time arrives for us to continue our journey elsewhere.

“It is enough for me to know that I am here now, charged with the responsibility of caring, as best I can, for my present body and mind, so that I can qualify increasingly for the bestowals that are awaiting me as my God-given spirit continues its path toward soul evolution in whatever dimensions beyond this life that the Creator has prepared for me.”

This is an inspiring philosophy. If we could accept it and attempt to live it, we would leave many of our worries and regrets behind, because we would have the faith that time will give us opportunity, eventually, to make up to others for the wrongs we have intentionally or unintentionally inflicted.

To take your rightful place in tomorrow's world you must therefore be willing to leave behind you the things you have accumulated that are no longer useful and that represent excess and burdensome

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## MR. GRAND LODGE

MW Esteban Munarriz, PGM, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the Philippines has been fondly addressed as "MR. GRAND LODGE" or "SAN ESTEBAN" by the brethren in this jurisdiction. And rightfully so. At age 88, he is still going strong, as far as his Masonic duties are concerned.

He was initiated in June, Passed to the degree of Fellowcraft in August, and Raised a Master Mason in September, 1917. He was appointed Marshal of his Lodge in 1918 and elected Secretary in 1919; Junior Warden in 1920 and Senior Warden in 1921 a position he held for three years. In 1924, he was elected Master of the Lodge and again in 1925, 1930, 1931 and 1946. He was reelected Secretary in 1927, 1939, 1941 and 1946. He was elected a Life Member by the Lodge in 1946.

His dedication to the craft earned him the love and respect of the brethren. He was elected Junior Grand Warden in 1946, Senior Grand Warden in 1947, Deputy Grand Master in 1948 and Grand Master in 1949.



MUNARRIZ

His labor did not cease after his stewardship of the Grand Lodge. In 1955, he was elected Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary in 1957, in which position he has been retained by the brethren up to the present.

MW Munarriz was conferred the degree of Master of the Royal Secret by the Philippine Bodies, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite in 1938. He was invested with the rank and decoration of Knight Commander in the Court of Honor in 1949, coroneted Inspector Gen-

eneral Honorary in the same year and crowned Sovereign Grand Inspector General in 1965 by the Supreme Council, 33°, A.&A.S.R. of Freemasonry in the Republic of the Philippines. He was then appointed by the Supreme Council as Grand Almoner, which position he held until he was designated an Emmeriti Member on December 31, 1977.

MW Munarriz is a member of the Rosario Villaruel Chapter No. 2, Order of the Eastern Star and Far East Court No. 1, Order of the Amaranth. He also holds membership in the Nile Temple, Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a charter member of the Teodoro M. Kalaw Memorial Lodge No. 136, in San Juan, Metro Manila. Scores of Subordinate Lodges have him in their rolls as an honorary member.

Mr. Grand Lodge joined York Rite Bodies in the Manila Chapter No. 2, Royal Arch Masons in 1950, Far East Commandery No. 1, Knights Templar in 1952; and Oriental Council No. 1, Royal and Select Master in 1958. He is the first Eminent Commander of The Far East Commandery No. 1, KT.

Unless he has to attend a sick brother, "Mr. Grand Lodge" is at his office desk at 9:00 o'clock in the morning at the latest and leaves sometimes late at night. A young Mason was asking, "At his age, how can he manage to do it?" A brother intimated that he has an "educated" car that takes him home safe and sound no matter what the weather or road condition may be.

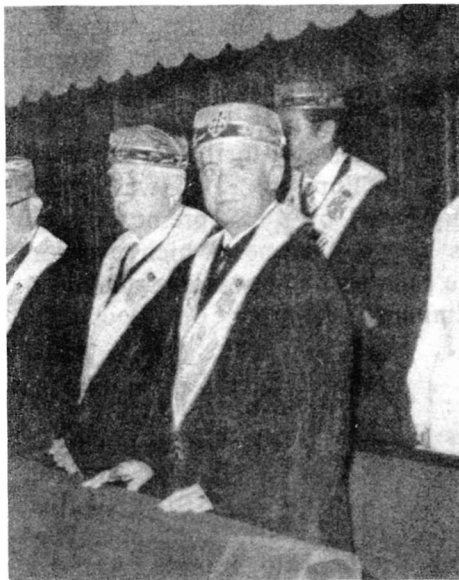
In his dealings with anybody, Mason or non-Masons, he treats



everyone as his equal. In our 25 years as a Mason, we have yet to hear of an instance where he pulled rank on any body, nor has anyone complained that he was treated unfairly by this brother.

MW Munarriz usually accompanies the Grand Master and other Grand officers during visitations to subordinate Lodges in the jurisdiction and abroad. On occasions, he represents the Grand Master in Masonic functions when the Grand Master can not attend. It was during one of these trips that we discovered his sense of humor. He does it with such finesse that sometimes there is a delayed reaction to his jokes.

For a man of his age, he has the stamina of a bull. During a trip to Dagohoy Lodge No. 84, in Tagbilaran City, we took the plane to Cebu on a Saturday morning and from there the connecting flight to Tagbilaran. In the afternoon, he installed the officers of the Lodge. After the installation, we boarded the boat that sailed for Cebu at midnight. We left Cebu for Manila Sunday morning. He told us that his daughter will meet him at the



airport in Manila because they were scheduled to go to Batangas.

Lopez, a town in Quezon Province accorded him the honor of having an "Esteban Munarriz" tree planted in the nursery of the town, a pet project of the Municipal Mayor.

Whenever a brother approaches him with a problem, our quiet, unassuming Grand Secretary always has an attentive ear and good counsel for the brother. Oftentimes, he has help for a needy brother, financially, digging into his own pocket.

MW Munarriz was born on

December 26, 1890 in Lingayen, Pangasinan. He studied in the Sampaloc Intermediate School, Manila High School and the Philippine College of Commerce. After his graduation, he was employed as a clerk in the Bureau of Education in 1912. He attended night classes at the University of the Philippines taking up accounting subjects. A year later, he joined the Insular Life Assurance company until he became involved actively in Masonry. He is married to the former Luisa Jocson. They have five children: Faustino, Natividad, Arturo, Rosario and Luis.



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# MASONIC EDUCATION

By: AURELIO LEYNES CORCUERA  
Past Master, Bagumbayan Lodge No. 4

How much should a Mason know about Freemasonry? Theoretically, one might say, everything there is to know. Practically speaking, however, there are two facts that set a limit. Firstly, the subject – Freemasonry has a history, a literature, a jurisprudence, a symbolism, a philosophy – is so vast while the span of the longest life is too short. Secondly, many Masons do not have the inclination, the capability, the time or the opportunity to engage in a serious study of Freemasonry.

As a matter of practical consideration, then, how much time should be devoted to such an undertaking? The knowledge of Freemasonry that every Mason should have to enable him to understand the institution better, to be able to give the correct answers to the questions of non-Masons and to dispel from their minds wrong ideas they have received from misinformed or biased sources.

Before a Petitioner, who has been elected to receive the Degrees in a Lodge, is conducted to the preparation room he is asked to answer three questions. The second of which is, "Do you seriously declare

upon your honor that you are prompted to solicit the privileges of Masonry by a favorable opinion conceived of the institution, a *desire for knowledge* and a sincere wish to be serviceable to your fellow creatures?"

Has the Lodge done its duty by teaching the newly initiated Apprentice the catechism of the First Degree; the newly Passed Fellow Craft that of the Second Degree; the newly Raised Master Mason that of the Third Degree, to satisfy the regulations of the Grand Lodge?

Of course it is important for every Mason to know the Ritual and the catechism. But it is much more important to know the meaning of the words used in the ritual and that of the allegory and symbols that illustrate. This gives rise to the necessity of educating Masons in Masonry. He should also be familiar with the laws and usages and customs, the history of Freemasonry in the Philippines, particularly of his own Lodge; the literature, the symbolisms and philosophy of the Order.

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# THE FIRST ANNUAL MA

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1. The contest shall start upon the publication of the rules in *THE CABLETOW* or in major daily newspapers.
2. The contest is open to all Masons under the jurisdiction of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of F&AM of the Philippines, except to Members of the Board of Trustees of the Cabletow, Inc. and their immediate relatives.
3. Entries must revolve around the theme: A MASONIC FIGURE IN PHILIPPINE MASONRY. Philippine National heroes are excluded.
4. Entries must be typewritten double space on 8 1/2" X 11" bond paper and in triplicate.
5. Entries must not be less than five pages and not more than ten pages.
6. Each entry must be original and unpublished.
7. Each entry shall bear the pen name, only, of the contestant and typewritten on every page of the essay.
8. Contestants must submit their entries to the Deputy Grand Masters of their Respective districts.
9. The Deputy Grand Masters, who shall act as Chairman of the Board of Judges with at least two other board members, shall select the winning entries on the Masonic District Level.
10. Each Masonic District is entitled to one winning entry for every three lodges in the district.
11. Winning entries shall be sent by the District Deputy Grand Master to The Cabletow and must bear a postmark of not later than midnight, January 15, 1979.
12. Entries must be accompanied by a sealed envelope, with the contestants' pen name, typewritten on the outside, containing the contestants' real name, pen name, Masonic District number and Lodge name and number.

# SONIC ESSAY CONTEST

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13. Winning entries will be published in *The Cabletow*, and shall become its property.
14. The Board of Judges, who shall pick the national winners, is composed of: 1) the Editor of the Cabletow who shall be Chairman, 2) the Editor of the Far Eastern Freemason, 3) a journalist/columnist, 4) a distinguished university/college professor.
15. The Board of Judges reserves the right to take any measure deemed necessary to verify authorship of entries.
16. The decision of the Board shall be final. Winning entries will be announced on April 1, 1979 and prizes given during the 1979 Annual Communication.
17. Final contest pieces submitted by the District Deputy Grandmasters are entitled to a Gold Medal each.
18. In case a contestant violates any of the Contest Rules, the Committee reserves the right to disqualify said contestant.
19. National winners shall receive the following prizes:

1st Prize	₱1,500.00
2nd Prize	1,000.00
3rd Prize	750.00
Five 4th Prizes	100.00 each
20. Send entries to: WB Samuel P. Fernandez, PM  
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Manila 2801

# YOU ARE NEVER TOO OLD

By: Filomeno Adi, PM  
Secretary  
Davao Lodge, 149 F & A.M.

A bright, energetic, eminently successful middle-aged businessman confessed, when he saw my Masonic emblem that he despaired of ever memorizing the symbolic degree ritual. He could not get beyond learning the first few words of the obligation. He conceded that his brain, once so agile, could not now be expected to perform what once would have been an elementary task. He regretted that the time for an educational goal was past and that he would have to accept the disappointment of defeat.

Listening to his remonstrations, it occurred to me that our fraternity may be depriving itself of countless worthy candidates who are in the same predicament.

It is in the area of rote-memory that I fear those responsible for shepherding the initiates may be inadequately informed. Certainly, candidates are encouraged and taught. But what of my friend who was so intimidated by the first view of the materials that he conceded defeat before battle? What are the implications of such a situation? I beg to think of those morally upright men who regard themselves as slow learners and are thus excluded, depriving our fraternity of their potential contribution to its growth.

For this reason, I consider it necessary that all those involved in Masonic education should familiarize themselves with those learning concepts that would reinforce their positions and assure greater success. While it is true that most mechanical learning occurs in the first decade of life, and that the intellectual processes accelerate through age 20, accepting the observation as an inflexible criterion would discourage most seniors. This trend in the learning process is simply a crude expression of a natural occurrence and should not be taken to make phenomenal the major discoveries of elderly geniuses.

Perhaps if Verdi, Marconi, Edison, Toscanini, Oppenheimer and many others have been limited by what one expects of men past 40, the world might have been deprived of "La Traviata", radio, electricity and the ultimate Beethoven recordings and nuclear fission. Every reader can supply his own examples from a long list that includes such luminaries as Pierre Curie, Tolstoi and Gandhi. Clearly then, the intellectual process proceeds from birth to death, never stopping, adapting itself to the needs and changes from without and within. How unfair it then becomes to permit a man who, through skill and experience, nurtures and shelters his family, to be defeated by a learning task that he has not performed since childhood. One can not reasonably assume that what was formerly easy should remain so. Conversely, it does not follow that what was formerly easy is now impossible.

If we can keep in mind that memory is only the perfect recall of what we have learned, we can then discuss the subject from both points of view. Physiologists tell us that the human brain can be likened to a miniature, compact, yet complex computer, and that our experiences and sensations are recorded on the equivalent of magnetic tapes for storage and recall. Our sensory experiences are etched into our subconscious and are then expressed at will or in response. Significantly, it is under hypnosis that we recall most, and most accurately, the result of removing all obscuring and interfering intermediate influences. Everyone can memorize if he is not distracted or intimidated – and that is the great lesson that students and teachers should believe.

To overcome the natural humiliation of an adult failing where a child effortlessly succeeds, we must accept a gentle philosophy. The mature mind has already come to personal conclusions regarding reasonable expectations and limitations. When a child falls from a bicycle a dozen times before learning to balance, this is viewed charitably and regarded as natural; but if his father falls but once, he is regarded as clumsy. It is almost natural to transpose these feelings to the memorization of a few dozen printed lines with certain exceptions. We adults have already mastered, utilized and discarded what our juniors are still attempting to achieve. This has created in our minds a series of priorities based on significance and urgency. Committing to memory is associated with school work. We never truly regard addresses, telephone numbers, prices, important dates, etc. as a similar challenge. Although I can not cite a specific study, I am sure that investigation will prove that not only does the fully developed mind utilize information more congenitly, but it also stores and recalls more isolated facts than the juvenile mind.

Rather than take exception to what is known of the learning process,

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# ILOILO-ACACIA NO. 11, F & A.M.

By: LEONARDO U. MANUA, PM  
Iloilo-Acacia Lodge No. 11

Freemasonry in Iloilo had its beginning during the revolutionary period in the Philippine History, but it was not until the year 1916 that the Iloilo Lodge was organized through the initiative and dogged determination of a few Masons then residing in Iloilo. "Having the prosperity of the Craft at heart and being desirous to use their best endeavors for the diffusion of the beneficent principles of Masonry", twelve Master Masons petitioned the MW Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands for dispensation to form, open and hold a regular Lodge in the capital of the province. On February 13, 1917, the Lodge was granted a charter, signed by the Most Worshipful Grand Master, William H. Taylor and MW Newton C. Confort, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands, thereby giving it a permanent existence under the name of ILOILO LODGE NO.11, F & A. M.

Among the organizers of the Lodge were Amos Dorr Haskell, Henry Francis Schuldt, Felipe Gomez y Windham, Charles B. Dodds, Eriberto Gonzales y Nagar, Marcelino Monfort, Rafael Santos, Guidalia S. Asayas, Archibald Stevenson, Charles James Kerr, Eusebio R. de Luzurriaga and Antonio Horrilleno.

Meetings were held in a three-story, concrete building on Rizal Street, the first home of the Lodge, with the third floor serving as the Lodge Hall and the second floor as the social hall. The Lodge became well-known as the site of outstanding and fruitful activities in Iloilo and the neighboring provinces.

The first elected officers in the year 1917 were: Amos Dorr Haskell, *Worshipful Master*; Henry Francis Schuldt, *Senior Warden*; Felipe Gomez y Windham, *Junior Warden*; Charles B. Dodds, *Treasurer*; and Eriberto Gonzales y Naga, *Secretary*.

The years following the organization of Iloilo Lodge No. 11, F & A.M. saw many prominent Filipinos of Iloilo and the neighboring provinces knocking at the door of the Lodge. These men were not denied admission for they all believed in Masonry as an ancient and honorable fraternity of free men. Among them were Alejo Aquino, district Engineer, Antonio Barrios, Sea Captain, George K. Berdan, Superintendent of Schools, Francisco J. Campos, Businessman, Timoteo Consing, Physician, Oscar H. Charles, Superintendent of Schools, Mariano Caranza, Deputy Collector of Customs, Fabian Carmona, Businessman, Hirannd Dialdas, Businessman, Gervacio Diza, Provincial Fiscal.

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L. W. Thurlow, Businessman, Santos Urra, Agriculturist, Alejo Valdez, Army Captain, Particio Zaldarriaga, Physician, Agustin Ramos, Agriculturist.

From 1919 to 1921, Iloilo Lodge No. 11 played an active and important role in the establishment of other Lodges like, Makawiwili Lodge No. 55, Capiz, Capiz, Kanlaon Lodge No. 64, Bacolod, Negros Occidental, and Hamtik Lodge No. 76, San Jose, Antique. It was also during this period that Acacia Lodge No. 78 was constituted with half of the members of Iloilo Lodge No. 11 as organizers.

By 1922, with over 100 members, including some Indians and Chinese the Lodge room could no longer accommodate the growing membership. A need for more spacious Lodge Hall was felt and a great desire arose among the brethren to have a Masonic Temple of their own.

The members of Iloilo Lodge No. 11, therefore, formed the Masonic Temple association of Iloilo, Inc., a domestic corporation for the purpose of building the temple. Shares were sold to Lodges and Lodge members until sufficient funds were realized for the immediate construction of the building. Through the efforts and initiative of the late WB Thomas H. Powell, P.M., a prominent American Lawyer of Iloilo and with the help of Bro. A. G. Yankey an American Engineer, the new imposing three-story edifice was completed in 1928. The temple stands tall and majestic in front of Plaza Libertad on J.M. Basa Street with a monument of Bro. Jose P. Rizal standing on the plaza facing the Lodge building.

World War II and the Japanese occupation saw the Lodge in darkness until the liberation in 1945, at which time rehabilitation of Iloilo Lodge No. 11 and other Lodges in the district were undertaken by surviving members of the Lodges.

Under the leadership of WB Walter E. M. Saul, PM of Acacia Lodge No. 78, who represented MW Michael Goldenberg, Acting Grand Master during that year, Iloilo Lodge No. 11 and Acacia Lodge No. 78 were consolidated to form what is now known as Iloilo-Acacia Lodge No. 11 F & A.M. The consolidation was approved during the annual communication of 1947 with the following as officers: Genaro C. Bermejo, *Worshipful Master*, Serafin J. Gustilo, *Senior Warden*, Emilio G. Gatanela, *Junior Warden*, Chow Kwan Tay, *Treasurer*, and Jose L. Zerrudo, PM, *Secretary*.

Once again, Iloilo Acacia Lodge No. 11, through the efforts and initiative of VW Valerio V. Rovira, PM, District Deputy Grand Master, District 14, played an active role in the rehabilitation and reconstitution of Hamtik Lodge No. 76 and Makawiwili Lodge No. 55, also the organization and constitution of Kalantiao Lodge No. 187, Iloilo City and Graciano Lopez Jaena Lodge No. 194, Sara, Iloilo.

Two youth organizations are under the sponsorship of Iloilo Acacia Lodge No. 11, namely, The Graciano Lopez Jaena Chapter of the (International) Order of DeMolays, with WB Manual Obligation PM as chairman of the Advisory Council, and Bethel No. 4 of the Order of Jobs Daughters, with Sister Maria I. Rovira, as Chairman of the Advisory Council.

After more than fifty years, Iloilo Acacia Lodge No. 11, which enjoys the respect and goodwill of the people of Iloilo and the Island of Panay, continues to grow and show signs of a bright future for the coming years.

### **Past Masters from Organization up to 1971**

#### **Iloilo Lodge No. 11**

Amos Dorr Haskell 1917-1918, Eriberto N. Gonzales 1919, Vicente R. Mercado 1920, Manuel C. Torres 1921, Engracio Padilla 1922, Antonio Yson 1923-1924, Jose Livio 1925, Evelio Zaldivar 1926, Anselmo Sotero 1927, Ricardo Luna 1928, Melecio R. Domingo 1929, Pablo Nava 1930, Santiago Bernardo 1931, Jose L. Zerrudo 1932, Timoteo Certeza 1933, Amado F. Cortes 1934, Manuel Blanco 1935, Isidro Uy Vullanueva 1936, Fortunato Ybiernas 1937, Jose Fullon 1938, Jose A. Quimpo 1939, Eduardo Hibionada 1940, Antonio Horrilenos 1941, Mariano V. Tolentino 1942-1945.

#### **Acacia Lodge No. 78**

Mariano Caraza 1921-1922, Patricio Zalzarriaga 1923, Felix Ronquillo

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## CORCUERA . . . from p. 9

The four pamphlets prepared by the Committee on Masonic Education of the Grand Lodge gives what every Mason should know about Freemasonry. *The Candidate* is intended for the Petitioner after his election but before his initiation. *The Entered Apprentice*, after his passing; *The Fellow Craft*, after his being Passed; *The Master Mason*, after his being Raised. While these pamphlets are primarily for the new Masons, the older Masons will also find them very interesting and enlightening. Incidentally, the last three of these pamphlets should not be merely handed to the candidate after the ceremony of Initiation, Passing and Raising. These should be presented formally with some remarks on the importance of reading them. Of necessity, the pamphlets contain only what can properly be written.

The object of Masonic education is not only to furnish Masons with the minimum information about Freemasonry for their own satisfaction but also to enable them to

give the correct information to their families and others, particularly to those misinformed and uninformed.

With regards to matters that can only be given in a tyled Lodge, qualified brethren should frequently be invited to deliver short talks for the information of the members of the Lodge. If district or regional conventions could include in their program a lecture by some qualified brother on the deeper meaning of the allegories, symbols and legends followed by questions and answers, the brethren attending the convention will be able to receive valuable information.

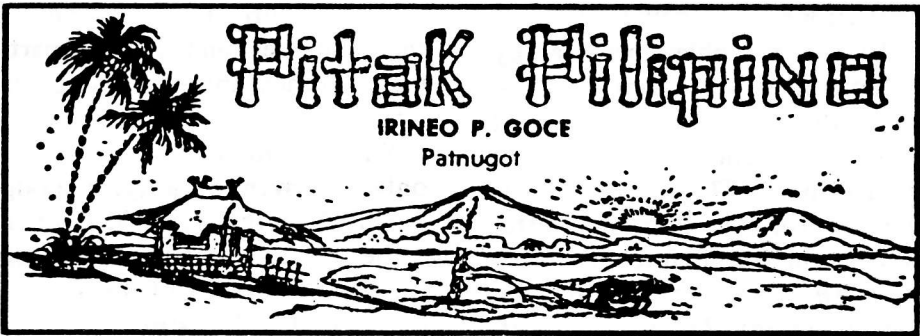
A long range objective of Masonic education should be to aid those willing and qualified to undertake serious study, not only for their own satisfaction but also to prepare lecturers, who on invitation of any Lodge can deliver talks on what is Freemasonry, where it originated, what it teaches, and what it is trying to do in the world as well as on the hidden meaning of allegories, and symbols of Freemasonry.



## EDITORIAL . . . . from p. 3

Against this backdrop, it is but fitting for us Masons to pause and reflect, and for a moment recall to memory the long list of brother Masons who labored in the past century for the attainment of our nation's independence. In the light of recent events it can then be said that they had not labored in vain, and that the light of a new day has dawned upon those who had fallen in the night.

I.P.G.



## ANG ULAN

Luha nitong langit na kung umiiyak,  
Sa pisngi ng mundo laging nalalaglag;  
Awit ng panahong ipinanglulunas  
Sa di na mabatang dalamhati't hiras;  
Tubig ni Bathala na ipinanghuhugas  
Sa lupang tagibtib ng dumi at layak.

Tala ng Tadhanang laging nakatitik  
Sa bukas na aklat ng lupa at tubig;  
Tulang kung bigkasin ay hihibik-hibik  
At bubuntu-buntong hininga ng hapis:  
Lungkot na kasunod ay Tuwang kakabit  
Gabing nagbabala ng umagang linis.

Kasintahang mutya ng mga halamang  
Sawa na sa init ng halik ng araw;  
Ang tanging pag-asang hinihintay-hintay  
Ng mga bulaklak ng uhaw na uhaw;  
Mabisang panglunas sa tuyong katawan  
Ng ilog at sapang nag-aagaw-buhay.

Tubig na sa lupa at dagat nanggaling  
Tubig na babalik sa lupa't dagat rin;  
Matapos maglakbay sa sangpapawirin:  
Ang ulan ay di ba katulad rin natin,  
Sa wala nagmula, tungo'y sa wala rin;  
Matapos maglakbay sa mundo ng lagim.

Ulan, umuulan, malakas ang ulan  
Ang patak ng tubig ay di mabibilang  
Singdami ng dugong bumaha sa parang  
Kahapon nang kunin ang laya ng bayan:  
Sintang Pilipinas, bakit ka ganiyan,  
May laya kang tila walang kalayaan. . . ?

MANUEL M. CRUDO, P.G.M.



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1924, Henry Sherrard 1925, Conrado Z. Santiago 1926, Thomas N. Powell 1927, Olimpio Magat 1928, Fernando Ramiriz 1929, William Ludwig 1930, Jose Jara, Jr. 1931 William Campbell 1932, Lorenzo Porras 1933, Alva J. Hill 1934, H. A. Aguilung 1935, Henry H. Serrard 1936, Francisco S. Hortillas 1937, Leodegario Celis 1938, Eusebio Sonalan 1939, Vicente J. Gustilo 1940, Lazaro P. Fernandez 1941, Walter E. M. Saul 1942-1945.

Jose G. Lagos 1946, Genaro C. Bermejo 1947, Emilio G. Gatanela 1948, Marcelo J. Obregon 1949, Carlos Y. Salcedo 1950, Ramon D. Bacaling 1951, Mario B. Hidalgo 1952, Amador D. Garcia, 1953, Eduardo J. Gonzaga 1954, Ponciano C. Leonidas 1955, Leon P. Gellada 1956, Ramon J. Y. Lachica 1957, Sy Bon Tong 1958, Teofilo Marte 1959, Francisco Song Heng, Jr. 1960-61, Gil F. Octaviano 1962, Ricardo J. Jeruta 1963, Joseph T. Howard 1960, Jose C. Pablico 1965, Cecilio I. Lim 1966, Manuel O. Obligacion 1967, Federico V. Gallano 1968, Jose Yu An Kong 1969, Dominador H. Aujero 1970, and Abelardo B. Aguilar 1971.



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I have tried to analyze this information so that we who are responsible for administering Masonic Degrees and thus convey the feeling that people of sincere intentions need not fear failure and humiliation. Surely, for most, it will have been ages since they were called to recite, but everyone who had preceded them overcame the same dreadful anticipation – including their instructors who should keep in mind their own anxieties.

So then, let us by our own conviction and demeanor overcome the real and fancied resistance of potential Masons. Ideally, each candidate should be able to refer to his pledgings as an interesting, reassuring and rewarding experience that has taught him something of himself and much of Masonry.



GRAND MASTER'S . . . . . *from page 1*

We have much work to do. It is therefore not consistent with our ways to magnify the faults of our brethren, but we do amplify the virtues they have shown. Thus, petty jealousies and recriminations have no place amongst us; such that we work together as a well-oiled machine that functions with regularity and with great accord, and the world sees us as appropriate models that bring about gladness in the hearts of men.

  
DESIDERIO DALISAY  
Grand Master



SHERMAN . . . . . *from page 5*

baggage. You must learn to travel even more lightly as you add years to your life, so that the journey becomes easier rather than harder.

This means divesting yourself of possessions that have lost their value, liquidating or transforming them into values you can pass on simply to loved ones and heirs and charities when you depart this life.

In this way, you will leave as little as possible to be fought over by those who may be undeserving or too grasping.

Resolve to enjoy life to the fullest each day-dedicated to making others happy when you can, thus ensuring your own greater happiness. These are the values no one can take from you, now or ever.

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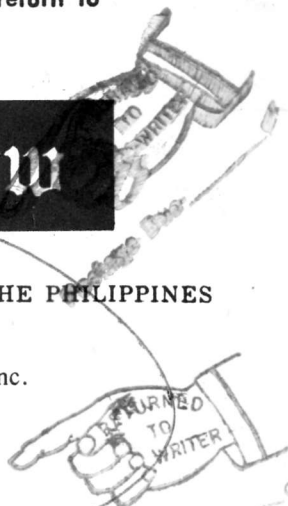
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