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A TROWEL FOR THE LEADER

We live in a fast-moving society. Problems have become very many and the answers to them are very few. Many are groping in the dark. Under these conditions a sound and effective leadership becomes a major need. It is a leadership that is not based on the glitter of gold or one that is won through blood and tears. I speak of the leadership that is inspired by the judicious use of the trowel, that instrument of leadership that unites us into one "sacred band, or society of friends and brothers, among whom no contention, should ever exist but the noble contention or rather emulation, of who best can work and best agree".

When the meaning of this instrument becomes the inspiring motive for all our conducts, we will always remember that justice for all, regardless of rank or position, becomes our mission; fairness in dealing with our fellowman becomes a purpose for betterments and harmony; and service to the needy and the lowly becomes an imperative consideration.

Our leadership may not find praise in the printed page or gain acclaim from a noisy crowd but like the patient and persistent Craftsman we build monuments in the hearts of men that will endure for a long, long time.


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BY A SIMILAR FIDELITY

One of the points which was given emphasis by our Most Worshipful Grand Master, Desiderio Dalisay, Sr., in his message to the Craft upon installation, was the call for the growth of the fraternity BUT with the admonition “. . . *without impairing the quality of its membership.*”

It has been observed lately that more and more petitioners are knocking at the door of Freemasonry. Many of our new members are very young in years but bringing with them the bright promise of rich contributions to the moral and spiritual growth of the Craft. Many of them, certainly, possess strong potentials for the long and arduous journey to the East.

Freemasonry's growth, however, like that of any other organization, is also prone to certain controverting factors. Like, have we correctly gauged the sincerity of some of those who have successfully attained the sublime degree of Master Mason. Or, what percentage of the newly raised Master Masons attend the subsequent stated meetings of their Lodges? And, what percentage of the new Lodge members, on any given year, settle their dues promptly within the first year upon becoming members? In the second year, the third year and so forth? Too, are the new members interested in fraternizing with the brethren of other Lodges? Finally, how many new Master Masons emigrate to some foreign countries and are never heard from afterwards?

We are at a loss to suggest any hard, fast rule on how to insure non-impairment of the quality of the membership of the Craft. However, it is worth reviewing the admonition to an Entered Apprentice Mason, during his initiation, that *he refuse to recommend anyone to a participation in the priveleges of Freemasonry unless he has strong reasons to believe that, by a similar fidelity, the recommendee will ultimately reflect honor upon this ancient and venerable institution.* This admonition does not apply merely to Entered Apprentices, but more so to all members of the Craft who may be overly eager to recommend friends or close associates to become members of the Masonic Fraternity.

By all means, let us create and constitute more subordinate Lodges; let us have “More Men In Masonry”; let us take advantage of the better climate for Masonry to increase our membership. But above all, let us take, only, men who “. . . by a similar fidelity, (he) will ultimately reflect honor upon our ancient Institution.”

VOYAGE DANS LE PASSE

by Joel M. Mendigorin
HIGH-TWELVE LODGE NO. 82

Our ancient brethren assembled in highest hills and in the lowest vales to transact their businesses, and to better secure their assemblies, they stationed guards at strategic locations to observe the approach of cowans and eavesdroppers. This ancient Masonic practice became a living reality to us Filipino Masons of Montreal as we made a *voyage dans le passé* on June 24, 1978 to the Owl's Head Mountain in Stanstead, Quebec to attend the Annual Communication of Golden Rule Lodge 5, A.F. & A.M., GRQ.

Our contingent consisted of WBs Emilio Assistores, Higinio Castro-Nuevo and myself; Bros. Jaime Hernandez, Victor Aquino and Jose Azores. Bro. Lawford G. Campbell of Harmony Lodge No. 131, Pierrefonds, Quebec went with us.

We assembled at the residence of Bro. Jimmy Hernandez at 7:00 o'clock in the morning, and in two cars, started our sojourn with "ba-on" of sandwiches, native Filipino dishes, soft drinks and booze. Twice we lost our way in the brush and mountain stretches of the Eastern Townships of Quebec only to

find the right track again. After three hours of travel, we finally arrived at the foot of Owl's Head, unpacked, took an early lunch, and continued our journey uphill. Surveying the area, we decided to take the ski lift to the top in pairs. To us, not used to great heights, the lift was nerve-wracking. Personally, I never had been so scared in my life. We alighted in a clearing about 2,000 feet above sea level. Regrouping, we proceeded on foot to about 400 feet further on through the steep, winding, slippery and rocky footpath to the top. Our ascent was slow and laborious, and we had to stop several times to catch our breath. Fifty yards ahead, we were accosted by uniformed sentries who demanded of us the password of a Master Mason before we were allowed to proceed.

We walked further on, and voila! a clearing the size of a regular lodge room teeming with people, young and old, clad in working clothes and aprons. On the North, East and South sides are natural rock formations, sharp as razor blades and jutting heavenward. The West side is

thickly forested, with irregular rock formations. The East and South sides are actually the edge of a ravine extending downward to about 2,400 feet. At the center was an altar of semi-polished stones piled one on top of the another. Rough stones dotted the sides of the clearing. The area was soaking wet due to a heavy downpour the day previous.

On a huge stone slab at the North side were the Square and Compasses, the lodge name and number, and the list of the officers of Golden Rule Lodge for the current year which were either carved or painted. It is funny, though, that the letter "G" in the Square and Compasses was not legible enough.

The Southern edge of the clearing offered a most breath-taking panorama. Just below is a thickly forested expanse. It is a Quebec forest reserve. Further beyond is the lake joining Quebec and Vermont. The lake waters are deep blue, and information has it that the lake is rich in game and still low in pollution count. Its center is dotted with islets acting as havens for sportsmen. Even at that great height and distance, we could see speedboats cutting through the silent and still waters. Amateur fishermen with their hooks and lines could be seen along the lake banks.

A couple of feet above us, nimbus clouds hovered, ready to unload at anytime. Ah, it was chilly up there even with our thick working clothes on.

It is said that this spot, by reason of its impregnable location, was the agona of the great Indian Chiefs. Here, war councils were held; and here, too, were peace treaties

signed. It later became an Indian burial ground. The thought that I might be standing on one of those graves sent shivers down to my spine.

This was their Lodge room, the situs of the day's endeavors, a replica of a meeting place of our ancient operative brethren.

It was high twelve. The Great Lights were now in place; the officers in their respective stations. The brethren seated themselves on rocks or stood on them for a vantage view of the proceedings. The Master banged his stone gavel to signal the formal opening of the lodge . . . and a lodge of Master Masons was opened in due and ancient form. Finally, the announcement was made for the exemplification of the Master Mason's degree to start. The Candidate was prepared and led into the Lodge. The ceremony of the Second Section or Legend in that setting sent me back to ancient times. What I knew in lectures and witnessed only in formal Lodge halls now unfurled before me. The ceremonies became real and the lessons derived, therefrom, more meaningful.

While the ceremonies were in progress, I scanned the Masons in attendance. I spotted a Mason with his jewel and apron stationed at the highest peak towering above us. There was a man, the Tyler, performing the first and most important care of a Lodge of Master Masons when convened. He stood there in great splendor. How I wish I were that man!

After the exemplification, the Master called upon the visiting brethren for their comments. Brethren from Scotland, India, the Phi-

ippines, Vermont, Maine, Vancouver, Ontario, Nova Scotia, and those from other Lodges of the Quebec grand jurisdiction spoke one after another. WB Emilio M. Asistores spoke for us. He informed the assembly that we are glad to be present and congratulated the Lodge for the splendid performance. He also informed the gathering that the Filipino Masons of Montreal had petitioned the Grand Lodge of Quebec for a dispensation to form a Lodge in Montreal using the ritual of the Philippine Grand Jurisdiction. (The petition is already approved and the constitution of the Lodge, "PHIL-CAN, U.D." and the installation of its officers will take place on October 4, 1978 in the Grand Lodge of Quebec.)

Following the speeches, the Master rapped his stone gavel once again to signal the closing of the Lodge. After an exchange of greetings, mementos were given out to the visiting brethren, and silver

coins commemorating the occasion were offered for sale. I am keeping my mementos with my other important Masonic memorabilia.

This *voyage dans le passe* was an adventure of the highest order. We witnessed Masonry in operation where the black, white, red and brown peoples, differing in background but having the same motivations, worked together and communed with each other in perfect harmony. It gave us an opportunity to look closer into the "work" of a Lodge of another jurisdiction thereby enriching our Masonic background. I remember Albert Pike's injunction when he said that to understand Masonry, it is necessary for us to dig deeper into the wells of the remote past, for there, we will find a deeper and fresher meaning of our institution. Truly, our adventure added a few more stones to our yet unfinished Masonic edifice.



LAPU-LAPU CHAPTER, INTERNATIONAL ORDER OF DEMOLAY PARTICIPATED IN THE CIVIC PARADE COMMEMORATING THE SIXTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE NEW SOCIETY HELD IN CEBU CITY RECENTLY. AT THE CENTER (WITH GLASSES ON) IS DAD BENJAMIN MACMURRAY, CHAPTER ADVISOR.

HISTORY OF:

WALANA LODGE NO. 13 F. & A.M.

by: WB Cirilo S. Honorio and WB Nemesio M. Ramos

“That which was lost,” is a popular phrase in Masonic lore. Commonly translated as “Wala na,” it played an important role in this jurisdiction because it was used as the password among Masons during this critical period and whence Walana Lodge No. 158 (now Walana Lodge No. 13) derived its name.

From the official bulletin of the “Federacion Del Grande Oriente Espanol, Masoneria Universal, Familia Espanola,” edited in Madrid, Spain, under Grand Master Miguel Morayta and Grand Secretary, Joaquin Ruiz, the following appeared in the November, 1892 issue:

“In the valley of Manila, one day in February, 1892, several brother Masons, not mentioned from what Lodge(s) they formerly belonged, among whom were Faustino Villaruel, the organizer, Marciano Reyes, Tranquilino Torres and Cipriano Castillo, met on Calle Asuncion No. 8 and on Calle San Fernando just in front of the Tribunal de Mestizo, to organize a Masonic Lodge which they named ‘Walana’.”

After drafting the necessary by-laws, rules and regulations to govern the newly formed Lodge, they sent these together with their petition for dispensation to the Grande Oriente Espanol in Madrid, Spain, through the courtesy of Brother Valentin Polintan.

Upon the organization of Walana Lodge No. 158, its leading members began Masonic work and activities in different sites (like a house on Calle Azcarraga or Calle Asuncion) thus avoiding detection by the Spanish authorities and assuring the safety of the Masonic movement.

Walana Lodge No. 158 was given its charter in Madrid, Spain on July 7, 1892 but according to the Yearbook of Grande Oriente Espanol, 1893-1894 (confirmed in MWB Teodoro Kalaw’s “La Masoneria Filipina”) the charter was granted on May 2, 1892.

Faustino Villaruel, Marciano Reyes, Tranquilino Torres and Cipriano Castillo, prime movers of Walana Lodge, were also instrumental in the founding of “Triangulo Vanguardia”, in Hong Kong

and the Auxillary Lodge for Women. The latter was the "Adoption Lodge" which took charge of Masonic banquets and ladies gatherings and was used to hide their Masonic activities from the eyes of the Spanish and ecclesiastical authorities. In those days Masons were considered anti-Catholic, anti-Spanish and anti-government.

The officers and members of the Adoption Lodge were: Purificacion Leyva, Ven. Grand Maestra; Rosario Villaruel, Sister Inspector; Valeriana Legaspi, Sister Eloquence; Trinidad Rizal, Sister Secretary; Rumualda Lanuza, Sixta Fajardo, Josefa Rizal, members.

During this time Illustrious Marcelo H. del Pilar was the designated Secretary Inspector and Illustrious Miguel Morayta was Grand President.

The Women's Auxillary Lodge was organized thru the efforts of Rosario Villaruel, a daughter of Faustino Villaruel. She was arrested on charges of being a "filibustera", by the Spanish authorities, and subjected to endless tortures and humiliations.

In an excerpt that appeared in the Cabletow on July, 1962, it has this to say about Rosario Villaruel:

"Back here in the Philippines there was one woman, who, it is claimed, was a Mason, She was the daughter of Faustino Villaruel of Lodge Walana. It was her father who initiated the movement for a Grand Regional Council in the Philippines in 1893 together with Apolinario Mabini and several prominent Masons of the Revolutionary Era. No mention of her being a Mason, however, is made in Kalaw's History of Philippine Masonry, un-

less it has escaped us. But the belief is persistent and seems to be widespread. The first Order of the Eastern Star Chapter in the Philippines, to admit Filipino members, is named after this lady."

The Walana Lodge, through its officers, took a leading role in the formation of the Grand Regional Council on April 11, 1893. A general assembly was held and presided by Faustino Villaruel at the Villaruel residence at No. 8, Calle Asuncion. This assembly was a sequel to the assembly in Malabon and was objected to by Nilad Lodge.

After the meeting, a cable was sent to Spain, which stated: "Morayta, Madrid . . . Regional salute without Nilad. Details by mail, Walana."

The role of Walana Lodge was summarized by Mabini, who said in part: . . . "That deserves all the respect and even more, for all the movements leading to unity will be of exceptional transcendence for Philippine Masonry and a glorious deed for its initiative . . .

. . . Since Walana Lodge has shown the courage and vision to accept the glorious role refused by the Mother Lodge, let us then acknowledge her virtue, her mission and rally to her side with faith and enthusiasm." The Grand Regional Council took its definite form in spite of the objections of Joaquin Ruiz, Secretary of the Grand Oriente Espanol. However, through the efforts of Marcelo H. del Pilar, the charter for the constitution of the council was granted on December 16, 1893.

The unification of Masonic propaganda was then undertaken and Villaruel helped in organizing

Minerva Lodge No. 217, in Aparri, Cagayan, so named after the symbolic name of Rosario Villaruel by Gracio Gonzaga and Pastor Makasaya. The former Triangulo Augso, in Tarlac, was constituted into Lodge Villaruel No. 223 by Procopio Hilario in honor of Faustino Villaruel.

The following years witnessed the memorable expansion of Masonry in the Philippines, inspite of the revival of La Liga Filipina and the activities of the Katipunan. However, the Masonic movement suffered set-backs with the launching of a reign of terror, by the Spanish and ecclesiastical authorities, when dungeons, deportations, tortures and deaths became the order of the day. It saw the execution of Dr. Jose Rizal, Faustino Villaruel (who was Master of Walana Lodge at that time) and the martyrdom of ten other Masons all of whom were publicly executed.

During the height of the revolution many members of Walana Lodge joined Andres Bonifacio at Balara under the leadership of Elias Asuncion. Asuncion later became General Secretary of Zone No. 2, which embraces the towns of the "Baybayin area."

After the fall of the Spanish regime, Masonic Lodges were immediately reorganized.

Sometime in the month of August, 1906, during the American regime, Walana Lodge No. 158 was reactivated by Jacinto Ocampo, Elias Asuncion and Manuel Tolentino. Upon the organization of the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands, Walana Lodge was redesignated as Walana Lodge No. 13, F. & A.M. The following were some

of the active members at this time: Elias Asuncion, Fermin Lucena, Amando Soliongco, Gregorio Molina, Angel Martin, Julian Ocampo, Tomas Alfonso, and Fausto del Prado.

After the dark days of World War II, Walana Lodge No. 13 was among the first to be revived despite the destruction of its charter and important documents which the Japanese soldiers wantonly destroyed at the Plaridel Masonic Temple. Orestes Hermosura, Esteban Diokno and Luis San Juan were among the few of the remaining members who were able to carry on.

The conditions then were discouraging, but with the undaunted devotion of WB Hermenigildo Estrella, WB Ramon F. Samaniego, WB Antonio Francisco and WB Pedro Marquines and others Walana Lodge members managed to answer the roll call during the Annual Grand Communications that took place at that time.

During the ensuing years, Capt. Ambrosio Lorenzo, Sr., (MPD Ret.) occupying the East, was able to give a new lease on life to Walana Lodge No. 13. After several years of staying in that Oriental Chair, with the able and continued assistance of WB Cirilo S. Honorio, the Lodge historian, and the consistent efforts of the incumbent Master, WB Nemesio M. Ramos, the strengthened Walana Lodge No. 13 can answer "Mayroon pa" to those who jokingly call it the "Wala Na Lodge".

Yes . . . the "Lost Word" is now in the East and there stands Walana Lodge No. 13 to uphold the Masonic faith of brotherly love, relief and truth.

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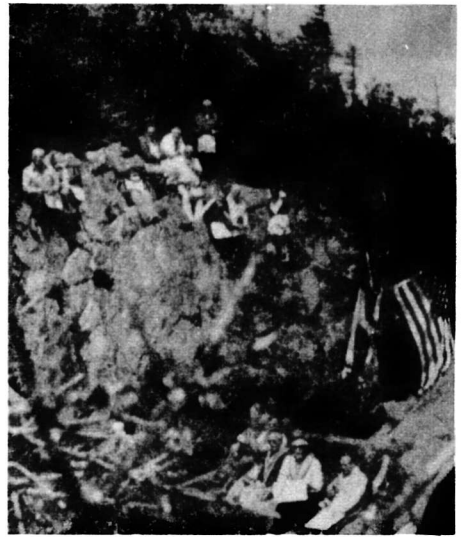
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PICTURES

GOLDEN RULE LODGE NO. 5, A.F. & A.M. G. R. Q, IN STANSTEAD, QUEBEC HELD ITS ANNUAL COMMUNICATION ON OWL'S HEAD MOUNTAIN (2,425 FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL) RECENTLY WITH BRETHERN FROM THE PHILIPPINES RESIDING IN QUEBEC IN ATTENDANCE.



OPENING OF THE LODGE.



TWO VIEWS OF OWL'S HEAD MOUNTAIN WHERE THE BRETHREN ARE PERCHED ON HUGE BOULDERS WITNESSING THE CONFERRAL OF THE THIRD DEGREE OF MASONRY ON A CANDIDATE:



PHOTO SHOWS (L-R) BRO. JOSE AZÓREZ, JR., BRO. JAIME HERNANDEZ AND BRO. VIC AQUINO OF MALINAW LODGE NO. 25, BRO. JORGE CAMPBELL OF HARMONY LODGE NO. 131, P. Q. BRO. HIGINO CASTRONUEVO OF UNION LODGE NO. 70 AND WB JOEL MENDIGOREN OF HIGH-TWELVE LODGE NO. 82. THESE BRETHREN ARE ALSO MEMBERS OF THE NEWLY CONSTITUTED PHIL-CAN LODGE.

LUIS RADA SALVOSA

By; SAMUEL P. FERNANDEZ

Typhoon Miding had just shown her worst facet, leaving some parts of Metro Manila looking like Noah's *the great deluge*. Few dared to report to their offices for fear that the Pag-asa weather forecast of intensified gales might become a reality. Classes were suspended that damp Monday morning when I chanced to visit my favorite hang-out - the *Cabletow* office - for want of anything creative to do. Just as I was about to engage Oscar L. Fung in an intellectual tussle, excited clerks of the Acacia Mutual Aid Society, Inc., informed us that their boss was around. Oscar and I lost no time in inviting Bro. Luis R. Salvosa to our office, just across the hall from his office, for a teta-tete. I felt that this was an opportune time to interview a man whom we had long wanted to feature in the *Cabletow* and Lady Luck smiled on us that stormy morning.

"Is it really me you want to interview?" Bro. Salvosa asked, with a quizzical look on his face. "My life is not colorful as some of our brethren. I lead a simple life - nothing complicated. I think you better interview somebody who is interesting."



SALVOSA

Simple words from a humble and unassuming man, who contributed much to the social upliftment of the Filipino people. As one of the few actuarial scientists in our country, as well as a West Pointer, Bro. Salvosa was mainly responsible for the Government Insurance Act that created the Government Service Insurance System (GSIS). Some knowledgeable people consider him the Father of GSIS.

"I was a high school teacher from 1909 to 1911, which was how I started my career in the public service. In 1912, I was lucky enough to pass the examination

for West Point given by the United States Army. I felt honored and privileged to get that scholarship. It was a test in history, geography, general knowledge and mathematics. I entered as a cadet at the West Point Military Academy, Hudson, New York, U.S.A., in 1913 and graduated in 1917," Bro. Salvosa reminisced.

When queried on what he did after graduation, Bro. Salvosa recounted that from 1917 to 1922 he was a Captain in the Philippine Scouts, United States Army, and later attained the rank of Major.

However, feeling that he wasn't cut out for military life, he resigned his commission. Fortunately, the Director of Forestry of the University of the Philippines asked him at about that time, to join the teaching staff of U.P.

His teaching stint covered the years 1922 to 1971. He was with the University of the Philippines for nineteen years and for another twenty-five years, after leaving the state university, he served as a professorial lecturer at the Far Eastern University and the Manuel L. Quezon University in the city of Manila.

How did you get your Doctorate degree in Actuarial Science?

"I gained another scholarship abroad while I was teaching at U.P. I took my Masters and Doctorate degrees in Science at the University of Michigan, U.S.A., majoring in Actuarial Science."

What made you draft the Government Insurance Act?

"Well, I'm a social-insurance minded person. I broached the idea to Congressman Cornelio Villareal and Bro. Manuel L. Quezon spon-

sored the bill. I guess being brother Masons, Quezon and I had our people's welfare in mind."

"Did President Quezon know that you were a Mason at that time?" I ventured another question while Oscar wrestled with his uncooperative tape recorder.

"No, I wanted Bro. Quezon to recognize my work on its merit. In fact, very few know that I was also responsible for the first draft of the bill that created the Social Security System. It was too bad that after the first draft of the SSS bill, the politicians took over and I don't know what happened to my draft."

Bro. Salvosa was initiated on March 10, 1920, at the Bagumbayan Lodge, No. 4, F. & A.M., was passed to the degree of Fellowcraft on March 24, 1923 and subsequently raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason on March 28, 1923. He is also a member of the Luzon Bodies, A. & A.S.R., elected Knight Commander of the Court of Honor on January 19, 1959 and invested on February 13, 1959.

He is one of the founding members of the Acacia Mutual Aid Society, Inc., a non-stock, non-profit insurance company, open only to Masons and the immediate members of their families. He is the president of the company since its establishment in 1958.

The organization encourages the habit of thrift and savings among its members and provides financial or material aid, in case of necessity or distress.

Bro. Salvosa, whose name is well known in insurance circles, is past president of the Philippine Interna-



BRO. LUIS R. SALVOSA AT WORK IN THE OFFICE OF THE ACACIA MUTUAL AID SOCIETY, INC. AT THE PLARIDEL MASONIC TEMPLE. TO BRO. SALVOSA, SERVING THE BRETHREN THROUGH THE ACACIA MUTUAL AID IS A MISSION OF SERVICE ABOVE SELF.

tional Life Insurance Co., and presently Director and Treasurer of the Fortune Insurance and Surety Co.

With all the administrative experiences that Bro. Salvosa has, I asked him why he did not participate actively as a Grand Lodge officer.

"I was always a soldier (follower) and I wish to remain as such. There are other brethren who are well qualified to lead our Order."

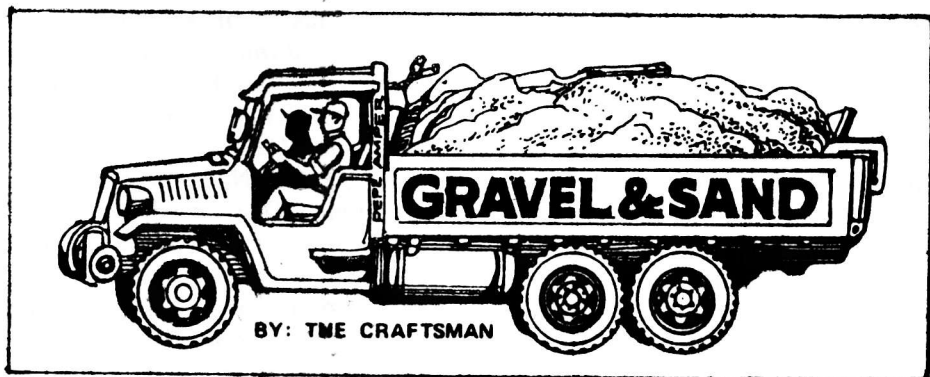
When asked if he had any motto in life, Bro. Salvosa responded, "I just follow what I think is right."

And that characterizes the simple life of a man who has faced

and solved a lot of complex problems in his work - a man born on August 25, 1891, in the sleepy town of Mauban, Quezon Province. Married to Lourdes Basa, he has four children; a chemist at the National Institute of Technology - Rita S. Gana; Carmencita S. Loyola - another employee of NIST; a physician - Josephine S. Sarmiento; and an actuary son in Canada - Salvador.

Few brethren have met him at the Plaridel Masonic Temple although there is hardly a week that goes by when he may not be found in his office. Modest and

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DISTRICT NO. 27 HOLDS CONVENTION

Masonic District No. 27, composed of Kanlaon Lodge No. 64, San Carlos Lodge No. 186, Negrense Lodge No. 200 and Lantawan Lodge No. 210, held its second annual convention in Cadiz City on August 25-26, 1978. Lantawan Lodge No. 210 hosted the affair.

MW Desiderio Dalisay, Sr., Grand Master, accompanied by MW Esteban Munarriz, Grand Secretary, VW Simeon "Rene" Lacson, Junior Grand Warden, VW Marcelino P. Dysangco, Assistant Grand Secretary, VW Eduardo P. Gonzales, Jr., Grand Bible Bearer and WB Hilario G. Esguerra flew to Bacolod City on August 25 where they were met at the airport by a delegation of the brethren.

They formed a motorcade to Cadiz City.

After the opening of the Lodge, the brethren proceeded to Angelina Park where floral offerings were placed at the foot of the monument of Bro. Jose Rizal. The delegation led by the Grand Master then paid a courtesy call on Hon. Pedro Ramos, Mayor of Cadiz City.

At the convention hall, the Grand Master and his party were received with Grand Honors. WB Angel S. Tiangson, Jr., gave the invocation after the flag ceremony. WB Antonio K. Ko turned over the gavel to VW Cayetano Palmares, Deputy for Masonic District No. 27, who presided over the convention proper.

WB Tiangson, Jr., gave the opening remarks while WB Antonio Ko delivered the welcome address.

Luncheon for the delegates was tendered by WB Angel Tiangson, Jr., and Bro. Villanueva at the Tiangson residence. VW Simeon "Rene" Lacson was the guest

speaker. He was introduced by VW Roem G. Agustin, Master of Negrense Lodge No. 200.

After the luncheon the brethren trooped back to the convention hall where they divided themselves into three groups to hold the seminar. The topics discussed were: "Brethren Inter-relationship"; "Lodge Officer-Member Relationship"; and "Grand Lodge-Lodge Relationship." The resource speakers were WB Franklin J. Demonterverde, WB David J. Lozada and WB Hilario G. Esguerra.

After the seminar, the exemplification of the First Section of the Third Degree was held. The candidate was Bro. Douglas Diaz. The members of the team that conducted the exemplification were: *Master*, WB Antonio K. Ko, *Master* of Lantawan Lodge No. 210; *Senior Warden*, WB Pablo M. Encar-

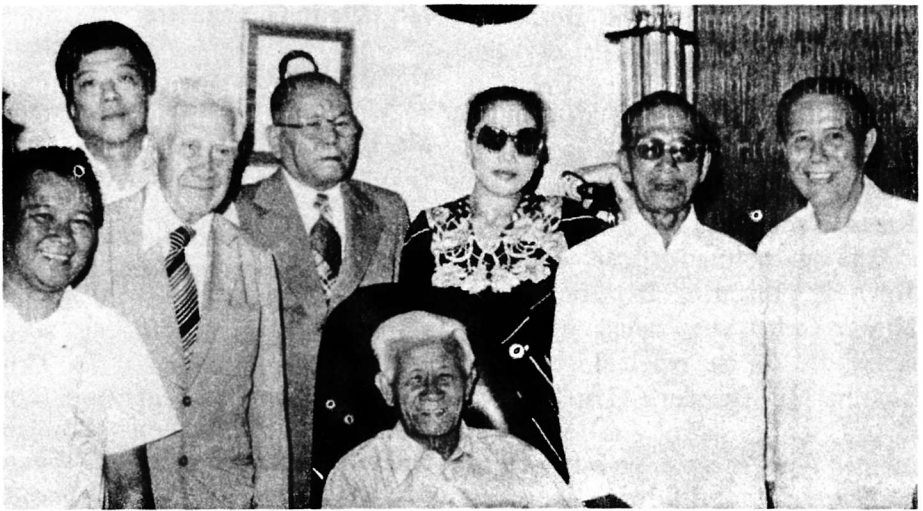
nacion, *Master* of Kanlaon Lodge No. 64; *Junior Warden*, Bro. Joseph Ang Tan King Sing, *Junior Warden* of San Carlos Lodge No. 186; *Senior Deacon*, Bro. Emiliano Guance, Jr., of Negrense Lodge No. 200; *Junior Deacon*, Bro. Edgardo Quisumbing of San Carlos Lodge No. 186; *Senior Steward*, Bro. Oscar Gacuna of Lantawan Lodge No. 210 and *Junior Steward*, Bro. Hernani Serafin of Lantawan Lodge No. 210.

In the evening, VW Valerio V. Rovira, *Immediate Past Deputy* for District No. 14 was honored in a testimonial dinner tendered by the *Past Masters* of District No. 27 held at *Punong Ko*.

The second day of the convention began with the exemplification of the Second Section of the Third Degree on Bro. Douglas Diaz. The team that conferred the Second



MW DESIDERIO DALISAY, SR. LED THE FLORAL OFFERING RITES AT THE RIZAL MONUMENT AT THE ANGELINA PARK IN CADIZ CITY.



THE GRAND MASTER ACCOMPANIED BY THE CONVENTION DELEGATES PAID A COURTESY CALL ON HON. PEDRO RAMOS, MAYOR OF CADIZ CITY. PHOTO SHOWS (L-R): BRO. JOSE C. CELIS, WB JIMMY KUA TAMANO, MW ESTEBAN MUNARRIZ, GRAND SECRETARY; MW DESIDERIO DALISAY, SR., GRAND MASTER; MRS. PATRICIA SIENES DALISAY, WIFE OF THE GRAND MASTER; WB MANUEL KO AND VW VALERIO ROVIRA, PDDGM FOR MASONIC DISTRICT NO. 18. SEATED IS HON. PEDRO RAMOS.

Section was composed of: WB Emilio Jison, Jr., Lantawan Lodge No. 210; WB Eriberto Marino, Master, San Carlos Lodge No. 186; Bro. Hernan Villanueva, Negrense Lodge No. 200; Bro. Henry Palma, Lantawan Lodge No. 210; Bro. Roberto Borja, Lantawan Lodge No. 210; Bro. Virgilio Mendoza, Lantawan Lodge No. 210; Bro. Ricardo Gonzaga, Jr., Lantawan Lodge No. 210; Bro. Amado Lacson, Lantawan Lodge No. 210; Bro. Roberto T. Alabado, Jr., Junior Warden, Lantawan Lodge No. 210; WB Walter Malahay, PM, San Carlos Lodge No. 186; RW Simeon 'Rene' Lacson, Junior Grand Warden and VW Cayetano Palmares, District Deputy Grand Master, District No. 27.

VW Enrique P. Maravilla, Jr., Junior Grand Lecturer for District No. 27 conducted a Lodge of Instruction.

The luncheon for the second day was tendered by Mr. and Mrs. Antonio (Kaya) Uy at the *Punong Ko*.

After the approval of the motions and resolutions taken up during the seminar, VW Cayetano Palmares, presented the Grand Master, MW Desiderio Dalisay, Sr., who delivered the closing remarks.

The brethren repaired to *Punong Ko* after the closing of the Lodge where MW Ruperto S. Demonteverde was honored in a testimonial dinner tendered by Planters' Committee, Incorporated.

The members of the Board of Directors for 1978-79 of the Masonic Hospital for Crippled Children were inducted into office on Tuesday, September 12, 1978, at the Philippine Plaza Hotel on Roxas Boulevard.

The inducting officer was Mr. Jolly R. Bugarin, Deputy Grand Master, who was called upon to substitute for the original inducting officer, Mr. Desiderio Dalisay, Sr. Grand Master, who was in Davao at that time. In a simple but solemn ceremony, the following were inducted in office immediately before lunch time:

- Mr. Damaso C. Tria, PGM
President
- Mr. Eduardo P. Gonzales, Jr.
First Vice-President
- Mr. Eliseo Arandia, Jr.
Treasurer
- Mr. Angel O. Daño
Secretary
- Mr. Domingo F.M. Domingo
Auditor
- Mr. Rudyardo V. Bunda
Director



- Mr. Hilario G. Esguerra
Director
- Dr. Manuel Rivera
Hospital Surgeon
- Mr. Honorio Carreon
Director (absent)

After induction, all present were treated to a sumptuous luncheon hosted by Mr. Rudyardo V. Bunda, Director.

The Masonic Hospital for Crippled Children is a duly registered charitable organization organized under the auspices of the Grand Lodge of Free & Accepted Masons of the Philippines. It has, for its primary purpose, "...the helping of distressed children who were victims of post poliomyelitis complications: giving them a chance to receive corrective treatment and enable them to work and earn for themselves their daily needs and live an independent life".

At present, the Masonic Hospital for Crippled Children has a special ward at the Mary Johnston Hospital maintained by contributions from the Masons.

SALVOSA *from page 14*
unpretentious, this five feet, five and a half inches, ramord straight octogenarian accomplishes his tasks without fanfare, believing in the biblical dictum of serving his brethren above personal glory.

The interview was brief. Bro. Salvosa stood up and excused himself just as our Cabletow Girl Friday Nenita offered him a cup of coffee.

"I'm sorry, I don't have any

picture of my West Point days. It was dangerous to keep military pictures like those during the Japanese occupation.

The coffee interlude didn't take long, too. Our interviewee was itching to get back to his love - work. Typhoon or no typhoon, his work had to be religiously done. To Dr. Luis Rada Salvosa, serving the brethren through the Acacia Mutual Aid Society is a mission - a mission of service above self.



PULUTIN KUNG MABUTI, IWAKSI KUNG MARUMI

Ni Kap. Abelardo L. Galang
Agusan Lodge No. 160, Butuan City

Ako'y isang Mason. Isa rin akong beterano na nagsilbi ng 30 taon sa ating Gobyerno. Ang 26 na taon niya ay ginugol ko sa military — sa Death March, sa Capas, sa Baguio, sa Mindanao, at sa Amerika. Nag-aral ako't nakatapos sa Colegio dito sa atin, sa Amerika, at sa maraming mga paaralan ng Hukbong Sandatahan ng Pilipinas. Ano naman ang maaaring mapulot ng ating mga Kapatid sa aking mga karanasan? Ang aking maisasagot sa tanong na iyan ay ang mga sumusunod:

1. Kahit sinong tao, ano man ang kanyang kulay, ang kanyang ugali, ang kanyang anyo, kanyang kabihasanan, hanggang ang mga tao ay tao, ang kanilang damdamin ay iisa. Ang masama sa iyo, ay masama rin sa kanya at ang mabuti sa iyo ay mabuti rin sa kanya.

2. Karamihan sa ating mga Kapatid, maging Pilipino at taga ibang bansa, ay kulang pa rin sa mga aral at adhikaing itinuturo sa atin ng Masonerya. Nararapat at kinakailangan na turuan natin sila upang ang lahat ng tao ay magsamasama sa pagmamahal, tahimik sa gitna ng kaligayahan at pagkakaunawaan.

3. Kadakilaan ng pag-uugali at labis na kasiyahan ng damdamin ang tumulong sa kapwa na hindi umaasa ng anumang kabayaran o biyaya na magiging kapalit ng tulong na ibinigay.

4. Ang tao'y katulad lang ng kaniyang anino. Kung ikaw ay nakatayo, ang anino mo'y nakatayo rin. Kung ikaw ay nakayuko, siya'y nakayuko rin. Kung nais mong igo lang ka at mahal in ng kapwa mo, iyan ay mangyayari alinsunod sa iyong pakikitungo at pakikisama sa

kanila.

5. Ang pinakamasamang tao sa daigdig ay mayroon ding kabutihan sa kanyang sarili.

6. Matuto tayong makibagay. Limiin at tuparin ang ating kasabihan na - "Kung mais ang kinakain, suso' naman ang wastong ulamin." Ilagay natin sa lugar ang ating mga anyo, pananalita, at kilos.

7. Tayong mga Mason ay huwag

mag-atubili, huwag mangimi, huwag magtago, huwag maglihim, huwag ikaila na tayo'y Mason. Ikaw at ako - tayong lahat - ang dapat maging uliran, ang dapat pamarisan ng bawat kapatid na nilikha. Kung magkagayon, lalaganap ang pagmamahalan, ang kaligayan at katahimikan na siyang iniuutos ng Dakilang Lumikha.



JUAN SUMULONG MEMORIAL LODGE NO. 169 FREE MEDICAL CLINIC

WB Gerardo B. Francisco, Master of Juan Sumulong Memorial Lodge No. 169, accompanied by WBs Teodorico Baldonado, German Esguerra, Jr., Virgilio J. Tamayo, Angelo B. Baylon, Bros. Jose A. Tanseco, Jose D. Hinlo, Dominador P. Villaflor, Jr. together with Dr. Serafin Cruz, Dr. Amante Cruz, Nurses Concepcion Cruz, Elsie Cruz and Pasencia Medina went to Felix M. Sanvictores Elementary School in Taytay to render free medical service to the pupils of said school.

The primary objective of this endeavor was to treat indigent children with chronic skin diseases. Pupils with moderate skin ailments, vitamin deficiency, coughing, etc. were also treated. Hundreds of bottles of liquefied preparations, capsules, pills and syrups donated by the United Laboratories were distributed to the children.

Pictures were taken of the occasion to be used as a record of the Lodge project. Left over medicine will be used at other schools in Taytay at a later date to be arranged by the committee. It is hoped that this can be continued until all the outlying area schools shall have been served. Cut another notch on the scoreboard of the Lodge's on-going Community Service Project.

— Angelo S. Baylon, PM

REMINDER

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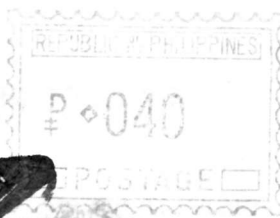
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