

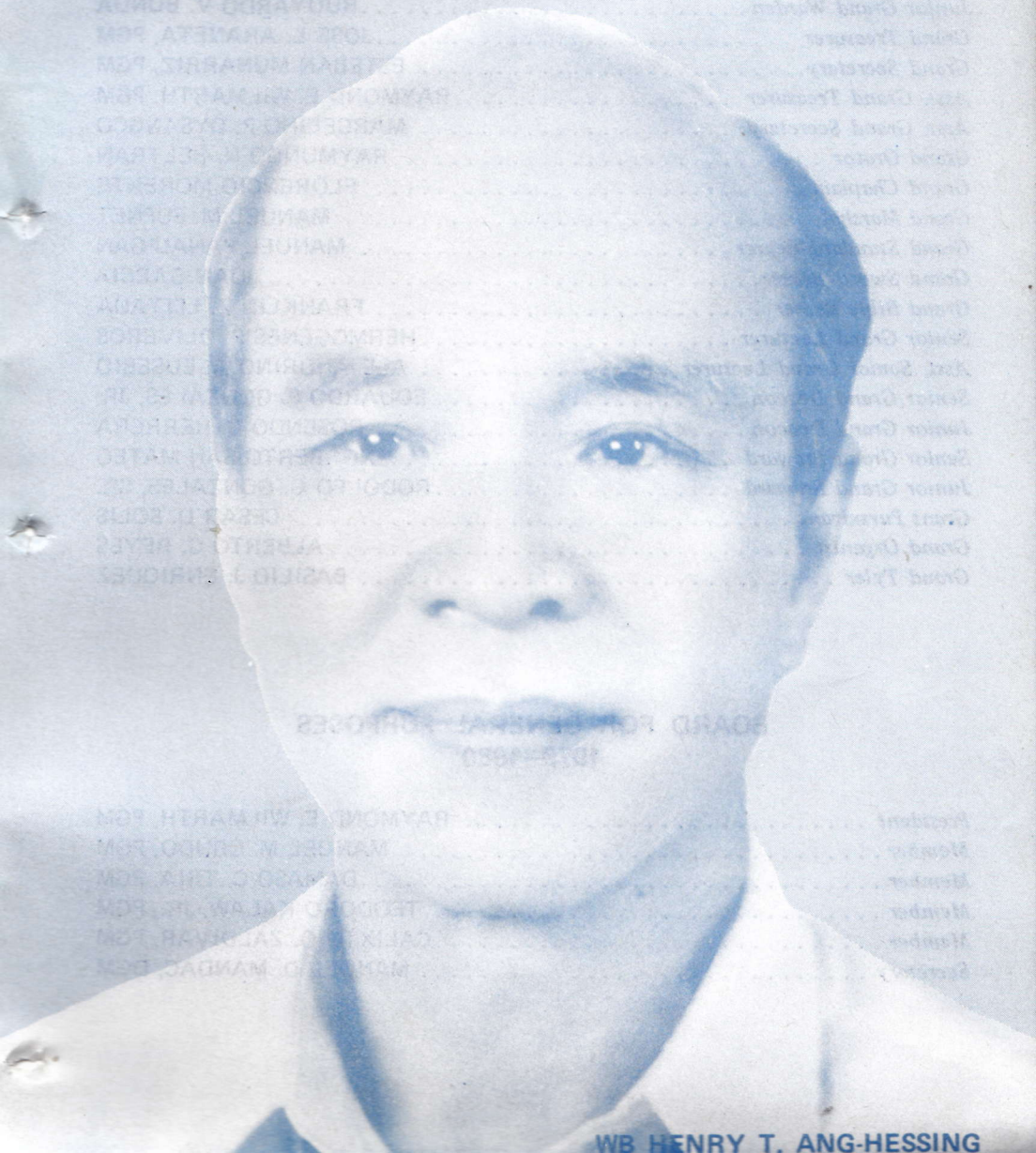


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OUR UNFINISHED TASK

It is part of Masonic philosophy to do service to others rather than be served. This particular virtue was exemplified by no less than Jesus Christ when he was here on earth. His ministry was replete with instances where His consuming passion for serving was clearly manifested. I am almost tempted to make an analogy between the Man of Calvary and the Brethren who in their small ways, without much fanfare, did their share in making my term as Grand Master a fruitful experience. I will be remiss if I do not mention the various efforts exerted by the Grand Lodge officers and the moral and spiritual support of the Past Grand Masters that gave me impetus to go on in spite of physical odds. My eternal thanks to them for bearing with me.

To the District Deputies who walked that extra mile to wield their respective ranks so that Masonry in their locality will be an institution to reckon with, my congratulations. I realize the difficulties of performing the thankless job of reaching and encouraging Brethren of their Masonic commitments. To be appointed as District Deputy presupposes that one is ready to assume the responsibility and leadership. The position is not just a title but also a mission. It is encouraging to note that our deputies did their assigned jobs with missionary zeal and their dedication is indicative of their unselfish effort in making our Fraternity truly great. Kudos.

To the members of the Blue Lodges, the moral and economic support given the Grand Lodge will go a long way in concretizing an ambition long envisioned. The present Grand Lodge is a testimony of the efforts of our Brethren who wanted to have a Temple that will house the Grand Lodge after the war. Since then we have contented ourselves in meeting in the same place hoping that one day we will have a final solid structure that is representative of our needs. When I sounded the need for having a Temple a number of Brethren gave more than what was expected of them.

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SUGGESTIONS FOR JUNIOR GRAND WARDENS

Once again there is much discussion of Article V, Section 4 (Par. 31) of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge which provides:

The Grand Master shall call a meeting of all Past Grand Masters residing in the Philippines at least sixty days prior to the Annual Communication. He shall preside at the meeting, but shall have no vote except in case of tie. The presence of five Past Grand Masters shall be necessary to constitute a quorum. They shall select three members of the Grand Lodge whom they shall suggest for the position of Junior Grand Warden for the ensuing Masonic year, whose names shall be published in the March issue of THE CABLETOW. However, any other member of the Grand Lodge who qualifies may be elected from the floor to the office of Junior Grand Warden.

Since this procedure was first adopted in 1963, there has been from time to time, a certain amount of criticism from some Brethren who believe such "suggestions" made by Past Grand Masters carry such influence, as to make it unfair for other aspirants. Conversely, however, those Brethren who support the procedure justify the process on the grounds that of all the available candidates, in the mature judgement of the Past Grand Masters, their suggestions constitute the best potential candidates that will best serve the Grand Lodge and Masonry in the Philippines.

Think over carefully, the pros and cons. If you believe the system which has been in effect for nearly 17 years is helpful, then by all means speak out for it's continuance. On the other hand, if you feel its practice has in some way or other been detrimental to Masonry in the Philippines, sponsor and support its repeal.

Regardless of which way Grand Lodge decides, what is most important is that once the decision is made, all Masons join together in the harmonious act of electing the best possible Junior Grand Warden. After all, when you elect a Junior Grand Warden you are placing in that Station the Brother you believe will in time become the best Grand Master.

R.E.W.



HENRY ANG-HESSING



WB HENRY T. ANG-HESSING

By: SAMUEL P. FERNANDEZ

Henry Ang-Hessing is a Brother who in all probability will get sick if he is not around to attend scheduled meetings either at the Plaridel Temple or the Scottish Rite Temple. Attending various Masonic functions has become a "must" for him.

"I always find the time to attend Lodge meetings if only to be able to enjoy the fellowship of the Brethren from different Lodges." Of course this is an understatement, for Bro. Ang-Hessing also sees to it that he is able to assist the Brethren in Raising a new candidate which (the Raising) he considers a joy as well as a mission that he has continually been doing all through his 29 years as a Mason.

Born on January 9, 1925 in the town of Amoy, Fukien Province in Southern China, Bro. Henry Tan Ang-Hessing started his education in a rural grade school and finished his high school in the Tung-wan Institute. He immigrated to the Philippines in 1933 and continued to study under a private tutor who taught him how to communicate in the King's English.

"During the war years, when life was extremely difficult I had the privilege of bringing 'goodies' to the Benedictine monks of the San Beda seminary. It was here that the reverend Father Boniface Axtmen, O.S.B., taught me the idiosyncrasies of the English language." Now, speaking English comes quite na-

turally to Henry except for the fact that his Chinese regional accent is so thick that you can literally cut it with a knife. A number of Filipino Brethren seem to have fun conversing with Brother Henry but his amiable, saguine personality often makes any meeting with him an experience. When he thinks that he has been misunderstood, he gives an impish grin, which splits his face from ear to ear and with the patience of the biblical Job, he repeats his statement, complete with gestures, hoping that his listeners will finally understand.

Back in 1945 Bro. Henry went for a visit to his homeland. He was very homesick and wanted to know how much China had changed after the war. He got a job with the Standard Vacuum Oil Company of China, in charge of the shipping department. Apparently, the place he regarded as home did change a lot. Conditions were different from that of circa 1933, so that by 1949 he was back in the Philippines working in his brother's store. In 1968 he opened *Honson Commercial* in Divisoria, dealing in native products and bakery supplies. It was during one of his business transactions that he chanced to engage a Mason in a conversation. The dialouge led to a commitment and later on to a quest to learn more about the Craft.

"Bro. Dominador Escosa talked hours on end about Masonry but I still wanted to know more about the Fraternity. I wanted to experience the meaning of Brotherhood and so, on August 9, 1951, I was initiated into Mencius Lodge No. 93 and was raised to the

Sublime Degree of Master Mason on November 22, 1951. Through the years I was appointed to various positions in the Lodge but I never had the priviledge of becoming the Worshipful Master, until very much later. I affiliated with Sinukuan Lodge No. 16 on May 1965 and became Worshipful Master in 1969 and again in 1975. It is ironic that I had to become a Master in another Lodge before I got elected as such in my Mother Lodge."

Then and now, it is almost an obsession with Bro. Henry to be in a Lodge hall practically everyday, so it is not surprising that sister Lodges have made him an honorary member. He is very proud to be a part of eight Blue Lodges, namely: St. John's-Corregidor Lodge No.3; Cosmos Lodge No. 9; Dapitan Lodge No. 21; Mayon Lodge No. 61; Hiram Lodge No. 88; Manuel A. Roxas Lodge No. 152 and Jacobo Zobel Memorial Lodge No. 202.

Bro. Henry is the Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Columbia-Cartagana near the Grand Lodge of the Philippines. During the incumbency of MW William Council he was the Grand Tyler and was the Junior Grand Steward when MW Jose L. Araneta was the Grand Master.

Amongst his numerous awards, he treasures most two diplomas which have become symbols of his long association with Masonry. "I am very happy that I am a recipient of a Diploma of Merit for Distinguished Masonic Services and a Diploma for Twenty-Five Years of Continuous Masonic Labor. These are the symbols of my love for

the Fraternity."

In the Scottish Rite and the York Rite Masonries, Bro. Henry has distinguished himself by being an officer in the different areas of endeavor. In the York Rite, he is a Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Indiana and Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Western Virginia. In the Scottish Rite, he was coroneted Inspector General Honorary in 1975.

Appointed as a member of the Advisory Council of the Loyalty Chapter of DeMolay in 1977, he has served the youth since 1968 and is concurrently a member of the Advisory Board of the Perla Assembly No. 1, Order of the Rainbow for Girls. For faithfully attending to the needs of the youth, Bro. Henry was honored with the Grand Cross of Colour from the Supreme Assembly of the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls.

Serving as Worthy Patron of Sampaguita Chapter No. 3, Order of the Eastern Star in 1969, Bro. Henry also became a charter member and First Trustee of Manila Court No. 4, Order of the Amaranth, serving this appendant Masonic body as the Royal Patron in 1978.

Bro. Henry has crossed the "hot

sands" on October 1959 and is a member of the Nile Temple, Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of Seattle, Washington. He is an honorary member of the Islam Temple of San Francisco, California, and Afifi Temple of Tacoma, Washington.

He was a High Shereef of the Bamboo Oasis Shrine Club in 1973. Recently, in recognition of his dedication to Masonry he was privileged to be invited to be initiated into the membership of the Royal Order of Scotland.

If Masonry has become Bro. Henry's second love, his first love is Victoria S. Tan, his wife whom he married in 1954 and who blessed him with five children. As he is dedicated to his family so also is he dedicated to the United Evangelical Church and the UEC Men's Fellowship.

"My becoming a Mason has made me a better christian and a better father. In Masonry we seek not to be better than others but to be better than ourselves."

With the last statement Henry fixed me with a quizzical look which seems to wonder if what he had said registered. Back in my mind I silently prayed for more Henry's in the Fraternity.

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HISTORY OF:

MARIKINA LODGE NO. 119, F. & A.M.

BY: WB DEMETRIO ESTRELLA P.M.

BACKGROUND

Favorable conception of Freemasonry is not new in Marikina, for even before the coming of the Americans, persons of good standing in the locality were believed to be Masons.

One of the prominent Masons during the Spanish era was Arturo Dancel. He was later to become the first civil governor of the Province of Rizal, when he was appointed to that position by Governor General Taft during the American regime. Other prominent Masons of Marikina during that time were Bro. Jose Guevara (Capitan Pepe), the grandfather of Eden Guevara (Mrs. Mauro Baradi); Isabelo Victorino, the father of our late Brother and ex-School Superintendent Leodigario Victorino; Julian Crisostomo, an esteemed vernacular dramatist and Calixto Bianchi Santos, a French-Filipino mestizo reputed to be a man of great intelligence. All of them have passed away, but their gentlemanly behavior, force of character and untainted reputation left lasting, favorable impressions in the community.

During the early days of the American occupation, some people of good standing in Marikina became Masons by joining different Lodges as no Lodge had as yet been established in the town itself. Among them were the following deceased Brethren: ex-Superintendent of Schools, Leodigario Victorino; Catalino S. Cruz, who became president of Marikina for two terms, Board Member and Acting Governor of Rizal; Roman L. Santos, ex-Superintendent of Schools; Manuel Alberto, ex-District School Supervisor; Ceferino Legaspi, ex-Municipal President and Felino Guevara, ex-Justice of the Peace.

With such background, the idea of establishing a Lodge in Marikina was most encouraging.

ORGANIZATION

In 1945, soon after Liberation, a few Master Masons of Silanganan Lodge No. 19, F.& A.M., discussed in a casual meeting, the idea of organizing a Masonic Lodge in Marikina. But it was not until in the early part of 1947, however, that the

plan was realized.

On the tenth day of April, 1947, through the initiative of WB Catalino S. Cruz of Silanganan Lodge No. 19, nineteen active Master Masons met in the Office of the Grand Secretary at the Plaridel Masonic Temple, Manila, to pave the way for the formation of a Lodge in Marikina.

After the usual preliminaries, a petition for dispensation to form a new Lodge was formally filed with the Grand Lodge of the Philippines. The following were the signatories in the petition: Catalino S. Cruz, Silanganan Lodge No. 19; Jose M. Santos, Silanganan Lodge No. 19; Albert J. Brazee, Jr., Cosmos Lodge No. 8; Mauro Baradi, High Twelve Lodge No. 82; Florencio Ilagan, Sr., Silanganan Lodge No. 19; Petronilo I. Vallejo, Silanganan Lodge No. 19; Esteban Munarriz, Dalisay Lodge No. 14; Antonio Gonzales, Luz Oceanica Lodge No. 85; Mateo D. Cipriano, Dalisay Lodge No. 14; Sesenio Rivera, Taga-Ilog Lodge No. 79; Teofilo Abejo, Dapitan Lodge No. 21; Patricio E. Del Rosario, Nilad Lodge No. 12; Candido Perez, Labong, Lodge No. 59; Vicente Quijano, Labong Lodge No. 59; Marciano Gatmaitan, Kasilawan Lodge No. 77; Vicente Bahia, Keystone Lodge No. 100; Abundio del Rosario, Noli Me Tangere Lodge U.D.; Jose Artiaga, Sinukuan Lodge No. 16; Jose L. Domingo, Dalisay Lodge No. 14.

A dispensation to form a new Lodge signed by Most Worshipful Emilio P. Virata, Grand Master of Masons, and Most Worshipful Antonio Gonzales, PGM, Grand Secretary, was issued on May 15, 1947,

and the following were appointed officers: *Worshipful Master*, Catalino S. Cruz; *Senior Warden*, Florencio Ilagan, Sr.; *Junior Warden*, Candido Perez; *Treasurer*, Mauro Baradi; *Secretary*, Jose M. Santos.

The following were proposed for appointment and were duly appointed: *Chaplain*, Jose Artiaga; *Marshall*, Sesenio Rivera; *Senior Deacon*, Patricio del Rosario; *Junior Deacon*, Petronilo I. Vallejo; *Auditor*, Esteban Munarriz; *Senior Steward*, Vicente Quijano; *Junior Steward*, Jose L. Domingo; and *Tyler*, Vicente Bahia.

The first stated meeting of Marikina Lodge U.D. was held on May 17, 1947, at the penthouse of the residence of WB Catalino S. Cruz. The next few meetings were likewise held in the same penthouse, but because of its inadequate size, Degree Work had to be held at the Grand Lodge Temple then temporarily housed in an old building at the corner of Arlegui and Gunao streets, Quiapo, Manila. Later meetings were held at the home of WB Isaac Eastaquio, one of the first initiates of the Lodge.

During the period of dispensation, the Lodge Raised eight Master Masons.

A Charter was issued by the Grand Lodge on March 13, 1948, and in the evening of the same day, at the hall of the Roosevelt Memorial High School in Marikina, Rizal, Marikina Lodge No. 19, F. & A.M., was duly constituted in a public ceremony presided over by Most Worshipful Albert J. Brazee, Jr., Grand Master of Masons, assisted

by other officers of the Grand Lodge. This was immediately followed by the installation of officers. The installation ceremony was likewise open to the public. Over a hundred Master Masons were present. Noteworthy was the presence of some Brethren from foreign jurisdictions, namely: Bro. Ant. Williams of Palms Lodge No. 512, and David Perkins of Searchlight Lodge No. 567, both under the Grand Lodge of California; Bro. Chas. L. Kendall of Uechay Lodge No. 5373 of England; and Bro. Howitt of St. Andrews Lodge No. 418 of New England Constitution.

Government officials from the Province of Rizal and a number of municipal officials of Marikina were also present in addition to a sizeable number of prominent citizens of Marikina and neighboring towns.

Most Worshipful Brazee, in his Annual Report (1949 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge) had this to say, in part: ". . . Although the Brethren wanted to have open ceremonies, there were some doubts as to the reactions of our detractors there and the citizenry, it being our first Masonic Lodge in that section. I am pleased to report that open ceremonies were held in the big hall of the school building with so large an attendance that all of them could not be accommodated. The reaction was exceptionally favorable and this new Lodge has not only strengthened its membership, but it is one that we can be proud of."

The following Officers were installed and officiated during the first year as a regular Lodge: *Worshipful Master*, Catalino S. Cruz; *Senior*

Warden, Florencio Ilagan, Sr.; *Junior Warden*, Candido Perez; *Treasurer*, Mauro Baradi; *Secretary*, Jose M. Santos; *Chaplain*, Alejandro Oliveros; *Marshall*, Jacinto T. Gaviño; *Senior Deacon*, Isaac Eustaquio; *Junior Deacon*, Maka-araw Cruz; *Auditor*, Ceferino Fuentes; *Senior Steward*, Tomas L. Santos; *Junior Steward*, Candido Soriente; *Tyler*, Julio Q. Gregorio.

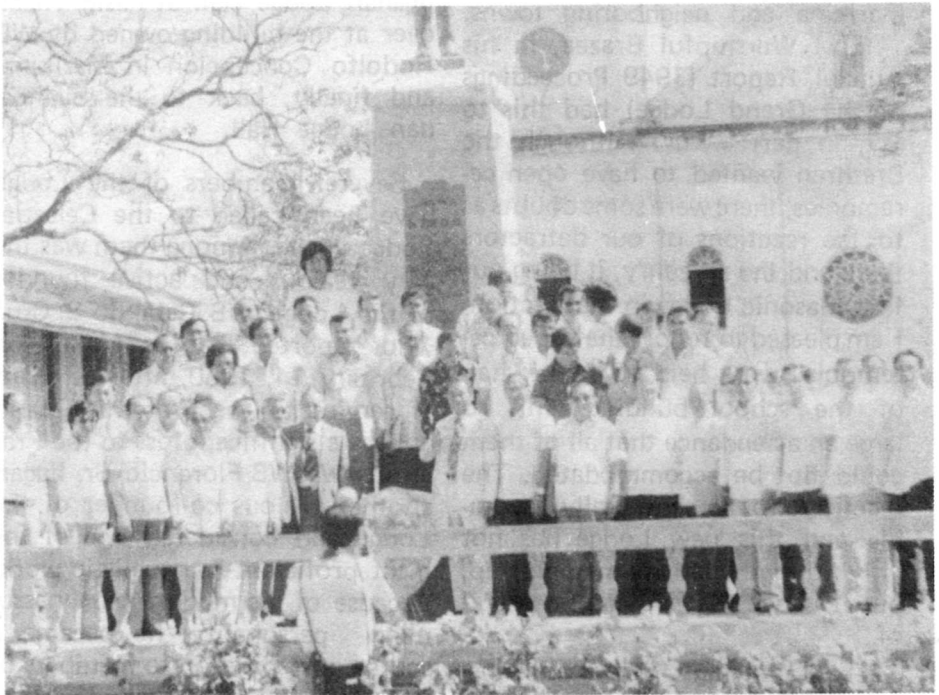
Following its constitution, the Marikina Lodge No. 119 held its meetings in one of the buildings of the Marikina Elementary School; then at the T.M. Kalaw Memorial Masonic Temple in San Juan, Rizal; also at the Marikina School of Arts and Trades Building; even at the Marikina School of Arts and Trades Building; back at the Silanganan Lodge Hall at Pasig, Rizal; over at the building owned by WB Rodolfo Concepcion in Marikina, and finally, back to the Silanganan Lodge Hall.

Several members of the Lodge have been called to the Celestial Lodge above. Among them was the very zealous and active founder of the Lodge, WB Catalino S. Cruz who reported to his Maker on February 14, 1960, after 52 years of service to the Fraternity. Also no less a significant loss to the Fraternity was WB Florencio, Sr. Ilagan, another zealous co-founder of the Lodge and considered one of the most proficient in ritualistic work. Because of his modest and unassuming personality, he became a source of inspiration to members of the Craft. The two mentioned above were considered the strong

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KALPIDOSCOPE

THE 21st ANNUAL VISAYAS MASONIC CONVENTION



RW MANUEL D. MANDAC, DEPUTY GRAND MASTER LED THE DELEGATES AT THE FLORAL OFFERING AT THE RIZAL MONUMENT AT THE PLAZA LIBERTAD, ILOILO CITY.



COURTESY CALL AT THE OFFICE OF THE VICE-GOVERNOR



HIZZONER HERERRA CHATS WITH RW MANUEL MANDAC AND DELEGATES AT HIS CITY HALL OFFICE.



CONVENTION CHAIRMAN SEVERINO AGUILAR TURNS OVER GAVEL TO RW MANDAC DURING THE RECEPTION



VW ESTEBAN MUNARRIZ, VW REYNATO S. PUNO AND VW ELISEO A. ARANDIA, JR. TOOK TURNS SPEAKING AS RESOURCE SPEAKERS DURING THE SEMINAR.



THE BRETHERN SHOWED VARIED REACTION DURING THE SEMINAR



RW MANDAC DELIVERED THE KEYNOTE ADDRESS OF THE CONVENTION.

MASONIC CASES:

SUSPENSION OF WORSHIPFUL MASTER BY GRAND MASTER; COURTS NORMALLY WILL NOT INTERFERE.

MEAD VS. STIRLING, 62 CONN. 586, 27A. 591

BY: VW REYNOLD S. FAJARDO
QUEZON CITY LODGE No. 122

FACTS: Mead, as Worshipful Master of his Lodge informed the Brethren during one of their meetings of an important conversation he had with Grand Master Stirling. Soon thereafter he received a summons to appear before Grand Master Stirling to show cause why he should not be suspended for having wilfully misrepresented their conversation.

Mead asked the court to restrain Stirling from proceeding with the trial against him. He claimed the Grand Master had no authority by any Masonic law, to try and depose him from office and that an order of suspension would disgrace him in the opinion of all regular Masons and work an irreparable injury to his reputation, character and business. He further claimed that, while he has a right of appeal from the

order of the Grand Master to the Grand Lodge, the same will not meet until after his term has expired, and therefore, no order of reinstatement or adequate relief can be granted.

HELD: by the Supreme Court of Errors of Connecticut:

The plaintiff claimed that the Grand Master has no jurisdiction to suspend a Worshipful Master. The case was, however, argued by both parties upon the assumption that such jurisdiction in fact existed, and as if it had been so alleged. The questions herein will therefore be considered as if defendant had jurisdiction to suspend the plaintiff for a sufficient cause properly proved.

The rule is that Courts will not interfere to prevent the suspension

of an officer when no property rights are involved and the rights of appeal from the decision of the superior officer, allowed by the constitution of the Order, have not been exhausted. Courts should not, as a general rule, interfere with the contentions and quarrels of voluntary associations. The fact that an appeal within the Order cannot reinstate plaintiff in office, because his term of office would expire before the appeal could be heard, is immaterial.

The allegations of plaintiff that his threatened suspension from his official position in a Masonic Order would work an irreparable injury to his reputation, character, and

business, would be published in Masonic circles, and otherwise extensively circulated, injuring his financial credit, and would be an impeachment of his veracity, are not sufficient to authorize an injunction to restrain such suspension. It is well established that the mere allegation of irreparable injury will not suffice to warrant an injunction, but the fact must appear on which the allegation is predicated in order that the court may be satisfied as to the nature of the injury. Also, merely argumentative allegations or inferences from the facts stated will not suffice to meet the requirements of the rule.

Writ denied.



GRAND MASTERS... From page 1

The Grand Lodge personnel who are the unsung heroes of our Fraternity, they deserve a special commendation. Through thick and thin they labored with me in accomplishing the various projects I had envisioned. My acquaintance with them may be brief but I shall long remember the cooperation given me.

One year of being a Grand Master seems only but a day. I know that there are still unfinished business to accomplish. I am sure that with all those wonderful people of the Grand Lodge around, my successor will continue what I have initiated.


JOLLY R. BOGARIN
Grand Master

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VISAYAS REGIONAL MASONIC CONVENTION HELD IN ILOILO CITY

The 21st Visayas Regional Masonic Convention was held February 29 - March 1, 1980, at the Powell Hall of the Iloilo-Acacia Masonic Temple in Iloilo City. Host of the Convention was Masonic District No. 14, composed of Iloilo-Acacia Lodge No. 11, Iloilo City; Kalantiao Lodge No. 187, Iloilo City; Graciano Lopez Jaena Lodge No. 194, Sara, Iloilo; Calinog Lodge No. 226, Calinog, Iloilo; Tigbauan Lodge No. 229, Tigbauan, Iloilo; Quintin Salas Memorial Lodge No. 231, Dumangas, Iloilo; Hamtik Lodge No. 76, San Jose, Antique; Aklan Lodge No. 205, Kalibo, Aklan; and Makawiwili Lodge No. 55, Roxas City.

Masonic District No. 15 is composed of Makabugwas Lodge No. 47, Tacloban City; Tacloban Lodge No. 221, Tacloban City; Mt. Huraw Lodge No. 98, Catbalogan, Samar; Northern Samar Lodge No. 211,

Catarman, Northern Samar; East Gate Lodge No. 232, Borongan, Eastern Samar; Ormoc Lodge No. 234, Ormoc City.

Masonic District No. 16 is composed of: Cebu Lodge No. 128, Cebu City; Maktan Lodge No. 30; Mt. Kaladias, Dumaguete City.

Masonic District No. 27 is composed of Kanlaon Lodge No. 64 Bacolod City; Negrense Lodge No. 200, Bacolod City; Lantawan Lodge No. 210, Cadiz City and San Carlos Lodge No. 186 in San Carlos City.

The Convention theme: *Philippine Masonry in the 1980's*.

RW Manuel D. Mandac, Deputy Grand Master; RW Simeon Rene Lacson, Senior Grand Warden; MW Esteban Munarriz, PGM, Grand Secretary; VW Rosendo C. Herrera, Junior Grand Deacon; VW Hermogenes P. Oliveros, Senior Grand Lecturer; VW Eliseo A. Arandia,

Jr., Junior Grand Lecturer for District No. 1, VW Reynato S. Puno, Grand Lodge Deputy for District, No. 1; WB Hilario G. Esguerra and this reporter planed in from Manila to attend the convention.

After the opening of the Lodge for the convention, the delegates, led by RW Mandac laid floral offerings at the Rizal Monument at plaza Libertad in front of the Temple.

After the floral rites, the Brethren paid courtesy calls on the Iloilo City Mayor and the Acting Provincial Governor.

A guided tour of Iloilo City was conducted for the visiting Brethren.

Lunch, sponsored by the Iloilo Court of the Order of the Amaranth was tendered at the Kalantiao Hall of the Sarabia Manor.

In the afternoon, at the convention hall, RW Manuel D. Mandac, and his party were received in due and public form.

WB Ramon C. Espino, Bishop of the Philippine Independent Church gave the invocation after the flag ceremony.

WB Dominador S. Sustento, Chairman of the convention secretariat called the roll of the Lodges and the deputies for each Masonic districts called on the Masters of Lodges under them to introduce the delegates.

VW Panfilo B. Enojas delivered the welcome address.

Bro. Fidelito Fernandez read the keynote address for his father WB Fidel C. Fernandez who was indisposed and could not attend the convention.

A seminar on the different aspects on administration of Lodges was conducted by VW Hermogenes Oliveros with VW Renato S. Puno and VW Eliseo Arandia assisting him as resource speakers.

Dinner was served at the Kalantiao Hall of the Sarabia Manor.

Citations and awards were awarded to recipients.

RW Manuel D. Mandac delivered the keynote address of the convention. He was introduced by VW Panfilo Enojas.

In the evening, a fraternal banquet was tendered in honor of the Deputy Grand Master.

Capping the affair was the dance that followed the dinner.

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Napakadukha ang isang nilalang na kung magbalik sa kabilang-buhay ay walang naiiwang bakas sa daigdig na ito bilang saksi na siya'y nakapaglingkod sa kanyang lipunan, sa bansa, sa kapuwa, at sa sangkatauhan. Ang kabuuan ng lahat nang iyan ay paglilingkod sa ating Amang Maykapal.

Napakaraming uri ng mga kasiya-siyang paglilingkod: Ang maging ulirang kabiyak, o butihing magulang ng kanyang mga anak; maging isang huwarang kawal o alagad ng batas, matapat na kawani o pinuno ng pamahalaan; maging isang banal na tagapangalat ng Salita ng Diyos; maging masinop na mamamalkaya o kaya'y matatag na propesyonal, katulad ng matiising mga guro; maging ulirang mga alagad ng sining at agham, tulad ng mga eskultor, manunulat, at marami pang iba.

Ang bawa't naglilingkod ay may kanikaniyang pagkakataon upang maglagak at mag-iwan ng mga natatanging bagay, mga bungang-likas ng kanikanilang mga pag-iisip at pagpupunyagi, alinsunod sa kanikanilang mga karanasan upang magsilbing huwaran ng darating pang mga saling-lahi. Iyan ang mga dakilang pamana sa buhay ng bawa't nilalang.

Datapuwa't ang isa sa lalong napakadakilang pamananna maging hiyas at yaman sa buhay ng bawa't magsisipagmana ay ang mga gintong kaisipan na inimpok sa pamamagitan ng titik—ang literatura. Ang pilak at ginto, ang salapi, mga hiyas at kagamitang mamahalin ay iilan lamang ang nakikinabang—iyong tuwirang nakakatanggap. Subali't ang mga sinulat ay walang hangganan ang bilang ng mga nagmamana at nakikinabang. Gaano

karami na kaya, halimbawa, ang mga taong nagmana at nakinabang sa mga sinulat na ating natutung-hayan sa Bibliya?

Napakadakilang pamana ang mga sinulat. Ang natatanging mga karanasan, ang bungang-isip na mga pangaral, ang mahahalagang payo sa kapuwa, sa mga kapatid, sa mga anak, at sa balana ay maglalagos sa kahabaan ng panahon kung ang mga iyan ay maiiwan sa pamamagitan ng titik.

Nakakapanayam natin ang nakatatanda nating mga kapatid na naunang umuwi sa sinapupunan ni Bathala sa pamamagitan ng kanilang pamana—kanilang mga kathang-isip na naiwang nakalimbag sa mga *Pitak Pilipino*.

Kaya, mga Kapatid, magsisulat kayo! Napakasayang ang ginintuang mga kuru-kuro ninyo kung ang mga iyon ay mananatiling bula, at mapaparam na lamang sa himpapawid!



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pillars of Masonry in Marikina, inspiring and giving strength to the members of the Craft and at the same time earning the esteem of the community for Masonry.

Other deceased members of the Craft are WB Isaac Eustaquio, WB Avelino S. Cruz, Bro. Julio Q. Gregorio, Bro. Aquilino de Guzman and Bro. Eulogio Rodriguez, Jr., to mention a few. WB Eustaquio, a recipient of the Country Doctor's Award, was very proficient in ritualistic work, thereby earning for himself the difficult duty of being the lecturer for the three degrees.

In its twenty-five (25) years of existence, the Marikina Lodge has made itself favorably felt in the community by its charitable works, valuable donations to the Public Schools, gifts of books for the Public Library, sponsorship of adult education classes in many barrios of Marikina in cooperation with other civic organizations and under

the able management of WB Tomas L. Santos. Last, but not least, the Lodge maintains scholarships for deserving students in the Marikina School of Arts and Trades. Fifteen boys have availed themselves of these scholarships and many of them are, at present, successful in their respective fields of endeavor.

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