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## 1932

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### **Christmas Greetings From The Filipino Women's Club Of California**

On this beautiful Christmas morning the Filipino Women's Club of California takes this opportunity of extending its heartiest greetings to all its Filipino and American friends and wishes all a "Merry, Merry Christmas," and one week hence we hope that you will have equally as "Happy New Year."

We are deeply grateful to everyone for the kindly assistance lent us during the past year, and we hope to be able to continue during the year to come, should our services be needed.

We pray, however, that God will shower His blessings on you abundantly during the years to come and that you will be prosperous, healthy and happy.

Again, we thank you.

MRS. C. C. MORALES, President

MRS. H. S. CIVIL, Vice President

MRS. C. B. SALES, Secretary

MRS. J. B. SAMPAYAN, Asst. Secy.

MRS. A. CALETISEN, Treasurer

MRS. A. P. BORJA, Asst. Treasurer.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 25 December 1932, Page 1

### **Realistic Scenes Of Patriot's Death Are To Be Re-Enacted**

Rehearsals Now Being Held Nightly for Play Depicting Martyrdom of Filipino Patriot Executed by Spanish Soldiers

Historic Event in Luenta Prison Grounds Will Be Presented in Elaborate Detail by Full Cast of Amateur Actors

With elaborate scenery, stage setting and costumes, and with a cast of characters that will include the best Filipino amateur talent in this section, the Filipino women's club is preparing to stage a three act drama in the Civic Club's auditorium here on the evening of Saturday, December 30, depicting the final hours of Dr. Jose Rizal, martyred Filipino patriot.

It will be the principal part of an entertaining program to be presented to commemorate the heroic death of Dr. Rizal who was executed by a firing squad of Spanish soldiers in the famous Luneta prison grounds, Manila, on Dec. 30, 1896.

Intensely Patriotic

Dr. Rizal was a devoted Filipino patriot, man of high educational attainments. Sympathizing with the mass of Filipino people who were suffering great oppression at the hands of the Spanish authorities, he incurred their lasting

hatred and animosity by his patriotic writings in which he severely criticized the civil administration of the islands for misdeed and the clergy for excesses.

While in Paris, he continued his writings, which were secretly brought to the islands and placed in circulation. Finally, a trap was laid for him and successfully carried out. He was induced to return to Manila. Soon afterward, he was arrested on a trumped up charge of treason, taken to prison and within a few days summarily executed, upon the order of the Spanish civil governor, without the formality of even a military trial. The drama will portray his arrest, condemnation, execution and the scenes enacted at his grave afterward by his admirers and followers.

#### Entertaining Program

Following is the program in its entirety: Part 1 Overture, Malayan Syncopators; invocation, Rev. Juan Callao; welcome address, Mrs. C. B. Sales; vocal solo, Mrs. Maxima Sampayan; address, J. F. Cacas; piano solo, Miss Hattie Calub; address, P. M. Olivete; trio, Miss Rose Antonio, Miss Consuelo Antonio and Pedro Adiao. Part 2 Musical selection, orchestra; address, Rufo C. Canete; Musical trio, Malayan Syncopaters; Rizal's biography, Roque Lavarias, Junior College graduate; coal solo, Mrs. F. Malbas; drama portraying Rizal's execution; address, guest of honor; national anthem.

#### Proclamation of Queen

Between part 1 and part 2 of the program Miss Mary Montayre of this city will be proclaimed "Queen of Charity." Miss Montayre was recently chosen for the honor in a friendly contest in which Misses Mary Looy, Bertha Paras, Eva Taporco, Virginia Dubin and Hattie Calub were her competitors. The proclamation will be conducted by MRS. C. C. MORALES, president of the Filipino Women's club.

"Miss Charity," the queen, will be attended by Miss Looy as "Miss Hope" and Miss Taporco as "Miss Faith."

#### Black Page in History

The story of Dr. Rizal's execution constitutes one of the blackest pages in the long history of Spanish misrule in the islands. But offsetting it is the story of the brave manner in which he unflinchingly met death.

When he was taken out to be shot his arms were pinned behind him. He refused to be blindfolded. The firing squad commander ordered him placed, instead, with his back to the soldiers and he was so placed.

But as the command, "Prepare, take aim, fire!" was given, Rizal managed to wheel round on his feet and face the squad. He received the fusillade of bullets facing the soldiers, unafraid.

## 1933

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 13 March 1933, Page 1

### **Club Women And Contractors Sit At Festal Board**

The presence of Old Man (DNL) everywhere was entirely ignored when over thirty labor contractors in Salinas valley were honored at a sumptuous dinner tendered by the Filipino Women's Club of California at the New York Grill last Saturday night.

From all that could be gathered from speeches, the occasion was held to establish a closer relation between the Women's club and the labor bosses of the community. This year the club plans to launch an intensive drive for funds to enable the organization to carry out its welfare work in Salinas and vicinities and to make this campaign effective and fruitful of good results, the women would enlist the cooperation of all labor agents of the valley.

Labor bosses present pledged their moral and financial support to the work of the Women's club.

MRS. C. C. MORALES, president of the women's organization; acted as chairman of the evening's gathering.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 24 July 1933, Page 1

### **Miss Mary Looy Proclaimed Most Popular Filipina In State**

Salinas Lassie Retains Lead In Mail Drive

Startling Gains Revealed At Tabulation of Points Made At Social Dance in This City On Wednesday

Miss Rebecca Santiago Of Dinuba Close Second In Race for Big Prizes

STANDING OF THE CONTEST

Miss Mary Looy, Salinas: 27,600

Miss Rebecca Santiago, Dinuba: 10,140

Miss Maria de Guzman, Watsonville: 8,360

Miss Agueda Rollon, Soledad: 6,100

Miss Virginia Dubin, Salinas: 2,700

Miss Rufina Jose, San Francisco: 1,660

Miss Florence Rayia, Oakland: 800

With a remarkable gain of 11,100 points in the short period of four weeks Miss Mary Looy retains her lead in the Mail's subscription contest, it was revealed last Wednesday evening at the first official tabulation of the returns.

More than 400 friends of the young lady contestants assembled at the social party in the Salinas Athletic Club's gymnasium given by the Mail in honor of the subscription drive workers, and they waited eagerly for announcement of results as judges checked up and totaled the figures.

Miss Looy jumped from 16,500 on June 26; to 27,100 on July 19, showing that she has been keenly active all the time. But will the indefatigable young

Salinas girl be able to retain her lead until the end? That is a question that is puzzling everybody. She says she can and intends to do so, and all the others claim she can't and that they will overtake and pass her by the time the next official tabulation, Sept. 2, rolls around.

#### Many Surprises

Indicating the contest may develop into a mighty close race very soon the official tabulation furnished many surprises.

The first of these was the immense gain of 9640 by Miss Rebecca Santiago of Dinuba. Entering the contest only a month ago with a meager 500 points the popular San Joaquin valley girl sustained her reputation as a "Scrapper" by jumping to 10,140, which is only 1360 short of the record jump of Miss Looy.

Miss Santiago is one of the several other girls who are likely to give Miss Looy a hard race before the close.

Then there was Miss Maria de Guzman of Watsonville, who jumped from 5300 to 8360 for a gain of 3060; Miss Agueda Rollon of Soledad, who gained 400 by advancing from 5700 to 6100; and Miss Virginia Dubin, who gained 200, advancing from 2500 to 2700. Miss Florence Rayla, owing to being deterred by illness, made no gains.

#### New Contestant In Ranks

The ranks of the contestant were augmented Wednesday night by the belated entry of Miss Rufina Jose, one of the most charming of San Francisco's many pretty Filipino girls, and she promptly chalked up 1660 points, pretty good for a starter.

On Miss Jose's competent staff of campaign managers is Jose A. Raganit, Nicaslo C. Nicolas, and Manuel Mariano, the latter her brother-in-law. The young lady is hopeful and enthusiastic, saying that although late in the race she intends to catch up and be first among the winners at the finish.

The Mail regrets to announce that Miss Virginia Dubin has withdrawn from the race. Miss Dubin, because she is now employed, and who also helps her mother at home because the latter is temporarily ill, finds that she cannot any longer devote sufficient time to the contest to make the showing she would like. Everyone will miss Miss Dubin, a graceful and demure young lady whose popularity in the valley is widespread.

#### Outlines New Campaign

Miss Maria de Guzman of Watsonville, aided by her campaign managers, G. D. Javier and Jesus Tabasa, is mapping a new plan of action. Undaunted by larger gains made by some of her rivals, Miss de Guzman intends to go steadily forward with her work and confidently expects to be the winner. Her confidence is shared by her many friends in the northern end of the country.

Miss Agueda Rollon of Soledad, who was much deterred early in the campaign by illness, and who a few weeks ago was compelled to submit to a

minor operation in a hospital here, is now actively at work again. Now fully recovered and with the assistance of Mrs. Mary Caletisen, who is thoroughly versed in the methods of subscription campaigning, Miss Rollon will hereafter be constantly at work and looks for telling results.

#### Contestants Receive Ovation

All the contestants, with the exception of Miss Rayla, were present at the dance Wednesday evening. Each received an ovation when introduced to the audience, acknowledging the honor with cheery smiles and polite bows. A more charming bevy of grace and beauty was never before seen here at a similar social gathering.

Guests attended the party from all parts of the central coast section, as well as from the interior San Joaquin and Sacramento valleys. The San Francisco bay region was extensively represented by the elite of metropolitan Filipino society.

To the entrancing strains of the Philippines Mail Blues orchestra the guests tripped the light fantastic from 8:30 until after midnight, with a short intermission for the distribution of prizes donated by the enterprising Salinas business and professional men.

#### Miss Looy Decorated

Goodfriend and Traub, Salinas jewelers, awarded two special prizes, a necklace and a vanity set, to Miss Mary Looy, who by her large points gain, became the standard-bearer of the evening.

MRS. C. C. MORALES, president of the Filipino Women's Club, presented the prizes to the Spreckels beauty. MRS. MORALES at the same time, in behalf of her organization and thousands of readers of the Mail, proclaimed Miss Looy the most popular Filipina in California.

A ribbon bearing this inscription was pinned on Miss Looy by MRS. MORALES.

Other prizes awarded the candidates were donated by the Felman Tailoring Co, Frank and Ernest of De Luxe tailoring Co, the Togo Shoe Store, Gene's Pharmacy, Henry Wong (herbalist), and the De Luxe Dry Cleaners and Pressers.

Ben Lagpacan made his debut as official announcer and floor manager, and scored a hit with everybody. Possessor of a good voice that carried to all parts of the hall his words were heard by all, and he kept the dancers well lined up all the time. During the height of the festivities there were sometimes as many as 50 couples on the floor.

A special feature that also made a hit was the "Philippines Mail Blues March," played by the band as it paraded briefly on the hall floor. The march is an inspiring air, but unfortunately the Mail is unable to give the composer credit, because he has modestly failed, so far, to reveal his name.

As the band paraded the march was led by M. R. Ancheta and V. C. Gonzales. Mauro Ibarra, Egmidio Ibarra, Honorato Cifra, Basilio Mones, Dalmacio Minia, Wilverlo Gasmen, Eusebio Pongase and Hugo Cuadra are members of the Mail's Blues.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 11 September 1933, Page 2

### **Rizal Day Fete Is Planned By Women**

Inaugurating a series of social events for the current fall season, members of the Filipino Women's Club were hostesses last Saturday evening at an enjoyable dance in the gymnasium of the Salinas Athletic Club. A large number of guests attended and tripped the light fantastic to the strains of entrancing orchestra music.

The Women's Club will sponsor a Rizal Day observance here on December 30 and the object of the dances is the raising of funds to defray expenses of the celebration, as well as to help the club continue to carry on its welfare work among Filipinos of the Salinas valley, as it has been doing in the past.

MRS. C. C. MORALES is president of the Women's Club; Mrs. A. Caletisen, vice-president; Mrs. C. B. Sales, secretary; Mrs. A. Borja, assistant secretary; and Mrs. J. B. Sampayan, treasurer.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 11 September 1933, Page 1

### **Dinuba Lass Takes Spurt, Leads In Exciting Race**

Check-up Reveals Gigantic Gains By Young Contestants  
Rebecca Santiago, Dinuba's "Fighter," Gains Lead Over Miss Looy, Local Favorite, As Final Lap Opens  
Standing of the Contest  
Rebecca Santiago, Dinuba: 37,737  
Mary Looy, Salinas: 35,097  
Maria de Guzman, Watsonville: 13,935  
Agueda Rollon, Soledad: 10,570  
Rufina Jose, San Francisco: 2,680  
Florence Rayla, Oakland: 800

Showing a tremendous burst of speed as the Mail's subscription contest race entered its final stage Miss Rebecca Santiago of Dinuba forged slightly into the lead at the last official tabulation of points, held Saturday evening, Sept. 2, in the Salinas Athletic club's gymnasium

The result revealed that all the girls, with one exception, had made surprising gains since the previous official tabulation, July 19. The one exception was Miss Florence Rayla of Oakland, who has been prevented by sickness from active participation.

With a great gain of 26,697 points Miss Santiago piled up a total of 37,937, to take the lead away from Miss Mary Looy of Salinas, who showed a gain of 4,837 since the last report for a total of 35,097.

Coming down the homestretch Miss Santiago and Miss Looy are now running almost neck and neck with the former having a lead of 2,640 points and both striving hard to come in first under the wire at the final tabulation, Oct. 14.

#### TRAILERS UNFAZED

Following only a short distance behind the leaders are Miss Maria de Guzman of Watsonville, with 13,935; Miss Agueda Rollon of Soledad, with 10,570; Miss Rufina Jose of San Francisco, with 2,680; and Miss Florence Rayla of Oakland, with 800.

Since the July tabulation Miss de Guzman gained 5,275, Miss Rollon 3,660, and Miss Jose 870.

With four more weeks remaining in the contest, all the young girls are just as determined as ever, the trailers bent on overtaking the leaders and the leaders equally as earnest in their efforts to continue ahead.

Winner of the contest will receive as a reward for her efforts a beautiful new Ford V-8 De Luxe Fordor sedan as first prize. Second prize is an equally as beautiful new Chevrolet coach; third is a beautiful \$200 diamond ring; and the fourth is a latest design wrist watch.

#### Sustains Fighting "Rep"

In gaining the lead Miss Santiago lived strictly up to her reputation as one of the great San Joaquin Valley's most popular Filipinas as well as her title, jocularly bestowed, as a "fighter." Her feat in overcoming the lead of Miss Mary Looy, the Salinas Valley's favorite and equally as popular, indicates she has a terrific "punch" when it comes to strictly business matters and that she has few superiors as a "go getter."

Miss Looy isn't saying much and isn't a bit disappointed in losing the lead. On the contrary, she and the other girls are congratulating the leader and at the same time planning to vigorously renew their efforts to win first prize.

From now until the finish the race promises to be a highly interesting one with all the contestants showing speed and determination.

#### Hundreds Witness Count

The elite of Filipino society in the Central California Coast and interior valley sections turned out to witness the official tabulation and to participate in the pleasing festivities incident to the count of points. More than 200 men and women, young and old, with a score or more of children, assembled in the gymnasium from all parts of the Salinas Valley and interior points as guest of the Mail. San Francisco, Oakland, Stockton, Sacramento, Fresno, San Jose, Gilroy and Watsonville were all represented.

Dancing was indulged in from early evening until past midnight to the beautiful music of the Philippines Mail Blues.

G. D. Giver of Watsonville was the efficient announcer and floor manager. California's Sweetheart

One of the interesting ceremonies of the evening was proclaiming Miss Santiago "California Filipino Sweetheart." In recognition of the Danube girl's feat in jumping into the lead, MRS. C. C. MORALES, president of the Filipino Women's club, issued the proclamation amid the plaudits of the assembled guest, and draped a silken insignia from Miss Santiago's shoulder.

As "Sweetheart" the young lady modestly acknowledged the honor with smiles and bows and sustained the part well.

Two More Big Events

The final tabulation will take place on the evening of Saturday, October 14, when friends of the contestants will again assemble here at a social dance.

Prizes will be formally awarded on Monday, October 30, in connection with an observance to be held here by Salinas Valley Filipinos in commemoration with anniversary of the Filipino flag. On that occasion the winner of the contest will be proclaimed "Miss Philippines" and will reign as queen at the Flag Day exercises.

Fitting honors will also be bestowed on the other young ladies competing, and they will have places as members of the queen's royal court.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 30 October 1933, Page 3

### **Federation Fetes Sixth Anniversary**

Assembling in Mandarin Cafe, about 70 guests and members of the Filipino Federation of America celebrated the sixth anniversary of Lodge No. 11, Div. 3, of the organization. The affair is an annual event here and was sponsored by Miguel K. Balasabas, S. A. Echabiya, S. T. Tachay, G. A. Bonita, F. L. Omania and Placido Bagaypo, all officers and members of Lodge No. 11.

Following a sumptuous chicken dinner, a program, beautifully rendered, consisting of music, songs and speeches was conducted by P. F. Ungui, president of the local Moderist Literary club. Miss Elizabeth Taporeo uttered the invocation. Those participating in the program were:

Addresses by Clemente Repollo, Benny Ordiz, Mrs. C. B. Sales, MRS. C. C. MORALES, D. F. Cruz, Faustino Blanco, Miss Elizabeth Taporco, F. Lomongo, Vicente Padernal and Luis Agudo. Musical numbers by Little Anita Camoran, Catalina Balasabas, Miss Eva Taporco, Miss Anastacia Claro, Miss Matilde Balasabas, Miss Honorata Omicten, Pedro Taporco and the Modernist jazz orchestra.

Mr. Padernal, president of the golf club of the Federation in Los Angeles and the last speaker of the evening, spoke at length on the history and growth of

his organization. He paid a glowing tribute of admiration and respect to their master and leader who is now in the Philippines running for a seat in the Philippine legislature.

The announcement made by Mr. Ungui that an elaborate banquet in honor of the anniversary birthday of the president and founder of the Federation will be held in Hotel Cominos Nov. 4, concluded the evening's program.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 30 October 1933, Page 1

### **Salinas Scene Of Nationwide Flag Festival**

Sturdy Sons, Daughters of "Juan de la Cruz" Are Here to Observe Rebirth Of "Sun and the Stars"

State Armory Auditorium To Witness Rendition of Program; Dancing Billed

With the advance guard arriving Saturday and Sunday, and others due this forenoon, Salinas will be thronged today with Filipinos intent on observing the anniversary of the rebirth of the national emblem of the Philippine Islands-the "Sun and the Stars."

In the vast assemblage will be hundreds from the California central coast section, many from the great interior valleys, as well as others from more distant points north and south.

For the first time in the history of Filipino public activities in California, Filipino Flag Day is to be publicly observed upon an extensive scale. While the important anniversary, which marks a notable step forward in the slow but certain progress of Filipinos toward their cherished goal of national freedom and independence, has never been allowed to pass unnoticed here, observances heretofore have been mostly private.

Today the general public has been asked to join in Filipino rejoicing and the general public is accepting with generous good will and a friendly spirit of hearty cooperation.

With the backing of the various Filipino fraternal, social and business organizations of the Salinas valley, the Sons of the Philippines, local organization, is taking lead in celebration arrangements. An extensive program of instrumental and vocal music and addresses has been prepared. It will open in the state armory auditorium at 2:00 o'clock. Mayor Leading Speaker

Mayor Vic J. Barlogio, Salinas' progressive young chief executive, will be the principal speaker. Bro. Juan Callao, pastor of the Filipino community church, will invoke the divine blessing.

Sharing oratorical honors with Mayor Barlogio will be Luis Agudo, as master of ceremonies; J. B. Sampayan, of Spreckels; Ben Lagpacan, eloquent young Salinas, speaker; Jemmy Santos, poet laureate; MRS. C. C. MORALES, president of the Filipino Women's club; and, last but not least, "Mother" Reullura Rosalind Harness, of Dinuba, non- denominational missionary, whose reputation

for self-sacrificing religions work among young Filipinos who may have slipped and fallen in their uncertain progress along the rough and thorny pathways of life, is statewide.

Orchestra music will be provided by the Philippines Mail's Blues and the Malayan Syncopators. Vocal numbers will be a solo by Mrs. A. Caletisen of Soledad; a trio by Messrs. Ray Camcam, S. Soria and Sam Camcara; solo by Mrs. F. Malvas of Soledad; and solos by the little Misses Anita Camoran and Catalina Balasabas. "Miss Philippines" Coming

The Filipino Women's club of California, at the beginning and closing, will, respectively, sing "Philippines, My Philippines" and Star Spangled Banner and the Philippine National Anthem.

Special feature will be the proclamation of Miss Mary Looy, of Speckels, as "Miss Philippines in America," will be accompanied by her retinue of maids and will be escorted by the Narvacan Philippine National Guard company, commanded by Captain Sam Camcam. The proclamation will be issued by Luis Agudo, as master of ceremonies.

In advance of the proclamation, the company will drill and execute maneuvers that are sure to entertain and surprise the audience with their beauty and precision.

In the evening there will be a social dance in the Women's Civic club house in honor of "Miss Philippines in America." History of Flag

The flag that the Filipinos will gather to honor this day, although the newest of recent times, has had a share in eventful history. It was adopted by the people of the islands during the revolution against further oppressive rule by Spain.

Filipinos had all but gained freedom from Spanish rule when the islands passed into control of the United States at the close of the Spanish-American war some 35 years ago.

Some time after that the public display of the flag was forbidden by American military authorities. A curious circumstance led to the suppression order.

A Filipino patriot named Dominador Gomez had constructed a Filipino flag of unusually large size. There was no other flag in the islands to compare with it in bulk. When it was brought out one time, on the occasion of a public parade, it aroused Filipinos to such high pitches of enthusiasm that the American military authorities feared it would start another insurrection, such as the one that had been led by General Emilio Aguinaldo, and which was put down with much difficulty.

The suppression order remained effective until revoked under the administration of Francis Burton Harrison as governor-general. That marked the

rebirth of the "Sun and the Stars" and that is the occasion the Filipinos will celebrate today. Description of Flag

A very pretty design is the "Sun and the Stars." It artistically combines the patriotic red, white and blue colors. Rectangular in shape, at the left is a large triangle field of white with an allegorical representation of the sun in the center, and a star in each of the three inner points of the triangle. At the right are two broad stripes, the upper blue and the lower red.

The sun is emblematic of the balmy warmth of Philippine climate and the warmth of the hearts of the people. The stars represent the three groups of islands.

Filipinos have just cause to take pride in their national emblem and it is safe to say that all the people of the world will wish them well in today's anniversary celebrations, both here and "back home."

SOURCE: THE PHILIPPINES MAIL, 13 NOVEMBER 1933

### **Highlights Of Stirring Addresses That Thrilled The Vast Throngs At Brilliant Flag Day Exercises Here**

Mayor Barlogio's Welcome, Agudo's Opening Remarks, Sampayan's History, the Chaplain's Invocation and "Miss Philippines" Message

Below will be found a brief synopsis of the several inspiring addresses delivered here by able speakers during the exercises held in the state armory auditorium at the Filipino Flag day fete. They give an idea of the great enthusiasm shown by everyone on this memorable occasion:

#### **REV. J. CALLAO'S OPENING PRAYER**

Our Father in Heaven, Creator of all things, bless us all this afternoon and guide and direct us in honoring this day the anniversary rebirth of our Flag, the symbol of our nation and the country which Thou hath given to us. We beseech Thee, Our Father, to unite us this day, that we may henceforth be worthy of our Flag and Country. Keep us steadfast in our faith in Thee, and light our pathway to righteousness that we may not be lost in the highways and byways of life.

Direct and guide us, Oh Lord, in our struggle to attain and enjoy the blessings of our inalienable right to be free and independent which Thou hath given to Man. All these we ask in Jesus name, Amen.

#### **MAYOR VIC. J. BARLOGIO OF SALINAS**

Most notable and inspiring on the Filipino Flag day program was the welcoming address of Mayor Vic J. Barlogio of Salinas. In plain straightforward words that, because of their sincerity, could not be misconstrued, Salinas' young and progressive chief executive stated it gave him pleasure to be present and to welcome, on behalf of the people of the city, the many Filipinos who had come to pay homage to the beautiful emblem of their nation.

He said he took pride in greeting them personally and in getting acquainted. Should it ever again be within his power to be of service he would again take pleasure in rendering it.

He praised Filipinos for the patriotic pride they take in their flag. He said it reflected credit on them when they patriotically celebrated the anniversary of its rebirth.

Mayor Bariogio also expressed sympathy for Filipino aspirations to be free and independent, and said he hoped the day is not far distant when those aspirations will have been fully realized.

The Mayor spoke in splendid voice and his ringing words could be plainly heard in all parts of the great hall. The audience was aroused to a high pitch of enthusiasm and he was loudly applauded.

MR. J. B. SAMPAYAN, SECRETARY, F. C. F.

A review of the evolution of the Filipino flag formed the theme of J. B. Sampayan's address, which he illustrated with conveniently sized models of four. Interest was keen because this was the first time these flags and their significance had ever been explained in public. The first Filipino flag, he said, was red with a large letter "K" in the center.

Referring to the present emblem he said the upper half, in blue, is emblematic of the blue skies of heaven that cover the earth, and the blue waters that surround the islands; the lower half of red is representative of the blood that flows in the veins of all peoples and the courage that fights for right, no matter what the race or creed.

At the end is the white triangle that speaks for liberty-the hope of all races. And in the white triangle is the golden sun, the sun of hope that rises in the hearts of all Filipinos. In the triangle also is the three stars typifying the three parts of the major islands groups-Luzon, Mindanao and Visayan.

MRS. C. C. MORALES, PRESIDENT, F. W. F. C.

MRS. C. C. MORALES, president of the Filipino Women's club of California, urged Filipinos in this country who desire to be honored as natives of the country their flag represents, to always be faithful and loyal and to stick together. The strength of a nation, she said depends much upon the works and the understandings of the people.

She discussed the many problems of Filipinos both at home and abroad and said Filipinos should acquaint themselves with these problems and endeavor to help in working out solutions.

She also referred to the social, economic and political life in the islands, and mentioned that the people are making great progress in spite of many difficult obstacles.

MR. LUIS AGUDO OF THE MAIL

In his opening remarks Luis Agudo had much good advice to offer, as well as words of hope and encouragement for his fellow countrymen.

On the sacred anniversary that is dear to all Filipinos he asked them to mentally review the past with the idea of finding out what they have done for the good of their country and themselves. This should be with the idea of studying weaknesses and defects, and overcoming and correcting them.

More than 7,000 miles from home, without the influence and guidance of close home ties, Filipinos in America should find ways of closer cooperation to advance their mutual interests and promote their own welfares.

Claiming that so far they have not done a great deal to their lasting credit, he appealed to them to slacken up on social activities and pompous and ostentatious displays, for something more practical. They should not be content to remain as drifters, wage earners and consumers.

Agudo said that the 30,000 Filipinos in California have a combined income of \$20,000,000 per year. With the exercise of foresight, and with proper cooperative organization, this immense sum of money should be put to work establishing them in businesses and industrial enterprises.

#### MOTHER REULLURA HARNESS OF DINUBA

It would indeed be difficult to find at any time a spiritual message more welcome than that brought to the Filipino Flag audience by "Mother" Reullura Rosalind Harness of Dinuba. Always joyfully received in any Filipino assemblage "Mother" Harness was greeted by prolonged hand-clapping when she responded to an invitation to speak.

"My heart rejoices on this Flag day," said Mother, "as I look into the smiling faces of my Filipino sons and daughters. I often wonder if there is any other mother in the world who is as proud of her big family as I am. You are a wonderful people-God loving, God fearing. I praise God for considering me worthy to be a co-worker with Him in helping you dear children to never falter in your religious duties.

"God bless you, one and all, and may his richest blessings abide with you, collectively and individually."

"Mother" Harness said she hoped God would also bless the Filipino flag and inspire Filipinos to keep their emblem unsullied by purely worldly motives.

At the conclusion of her address "Mother" Harness was presented with a beautiful bouquet, which she accepted with the remark that she appreciated the sentiment of love and friendship that prompted the donors.

#### MISS MARY LOOY, "MISS PHILIPPINES"

In her message to the Filipinos in America and the Philippines, "Miss Philippines" brought kindly greetings and good wishes. She presented a brief platform for their guidance, with the hope that it will bring them pride in their nation and happiness in their daily lives. It was:

Continue to strive for emancipation. Work for national unity. Keep all natural resources in hands of people. Take pride in race; demand equality. Venerate the past. Look to national heroes for inspiration.

Teach children love of country. Develop own culture without rejecting best of other countries.

Give expression to the soul of the Filipino race in art and literature. Cultivate national discipline. Guard against sectional strife. Consecrate lives to righteousness. Be loyal to ideals. Abhor expediency and personal advantage. Keep soul of nation aglow with faith in God.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 13 November 1933, Page 1

### **Filipino Flag Honored Here By Big Throng**

Impressively Beautiful Is Program Given at First Pretentious Observance Of Sacred Emblem Birth

Sweet Singer and Able Speakers Retell History Of Grand 'Sun and Stars'

Gathering here from all parts of the state on Monday, Oct. 30, California Filipinos celebrated with beautifully sublime ceremonies the anniversary of the rebirth of the "Sun and Stars," national emblem of the Philippine Islands.

Although gusty winds and heavy showers prevailed during the early part of the day, ushering in the first storm of the season and probably keeping many away, an immense throng assembled for the first state wide observance of the apochal event.

Grading the huge interior of the state armors auditorium were artistic decorations, including displays of the national colors of the United States and the Philippines, potted plants and floral pieces of the season's choicest blossoms. A program that could not have been excelled in any large city thrilled and enthused the great crowd of expectant men, women and children.

Told in Song and Story

While the great audience sat in rapt attention the eventful history of the beautiful emblem of the islands was retold in pleasing song and interesting story, while early realization of their cherished hope for early freedom and independence was confidently forecasted.

Proclamation of Miss mary Looy of Spreable as "Miss Philippines in America," followed by her (DNL) ...to the Filipino Women's club of California was another.

A third was exhibition drills by the Narvacan National Guard company, local organization of Filipino young men with high military aspirations.

Program Delights

The program delighted everyone from opening to close. G. D. Javier of Watsonville officiated efficiently as master of ceremonies. Opening with an overture by the Philippines Mail's Blues, the early numbers included an

invocation by Rev. Juan Callao; a vocal solo by little Miss Catalina Balasabas; introductory remarks by Luis Agudo; and a vocal solo by little Miss Anita Camoran.

One of the principal addresses was by J. B. Sampayan of Spreckels, who recited interestingly a history of the evolution of the Filipino flag. Other addresses were by MRS. C. C. MORALES, president of the Filipino Women's club of California; a stirring welcome by Mayor Vic J. Barlogio of Salinas; and an inspiring talk by Mrs. Reullure Rosalind Harness of Duniba, spiritual mother of all California Filipinos.

#### Musical Numbers Please

In addition to the overture by the Philippines Mail's Blues and the vocal solos of little Misses Balasabas and Camoran, there were others equally as pleasing to everyone. Messrs Ray Camcam, S. Soria and Sam Camcam rendered a delightful vocal trio; the Malayan Syncopators favored with an artistic orchestral selection; Mrs. F. Malvas of Soledad sang charmingly; and Mrs. Mary Caletisen of Soledad held everyone enthralled during the rendition of her vocal selection.

All the vocalists were so vociferously applauded they were forced to respond to encores.

The only recitation of the program, one that elicited applause, was by Jemmy Santos, who proved himself a fine elocutionist. He recited "Ang Bandila at Ang Bayan."

#### Flag Presentation

Presentation of the "sun and Stars" to the Filipino Women's club was made by Rufo C. Canete, president of the Filipino Labor Supply Association, on behalf of the Sons and Dughters of the Philippines. In an address that touched the hearts of everyone Canete said it was in deep appreciation of the untiring devotion of members of the club to welfare work among Filipinos who find themselves in distress because of sickness, injury, lack of employment or other causes.

During the past two years or more, Canete declared, women of the club have never failed to respond to an appeal for aid, and the work they have done and are still doing has been of incalculable benefit to those who have been relieved. He said it had often been done at no little amount of self-sacrifice, expenditure of time and sometimes personal outlay. Scores of Filipinos throughout the state, in addition to the donors, therefore hoped the club would accept the emblem as a token of their gratefulness and kindly good wishes.

#### Woman Overcome

The flag presentation was a feature of the program that had been arranged on short notice. The women were therefore taken greatly by surprise. MRS. C. C. MORALES, president of the club, who accepted the gift, was visibly overcome.

On regaining her composure she made a feeling speech of acceptance, thanking the Sons and Daughters of the Philippines, saying the flag would be a

new incentive to continue the work, that it would always be treasured, and that no one would every be allowed to step between the "Sun and Stars" of the Philippines and the "Stars and Stripes" of America if the women can prevent.

They should be inseparable until the islands are independent, she said, and then, asking the audience to mentally mark the date, she ventured the prediction that America will grant the Filipinos' plea for freedom and independence much sooner than anyone expects. She said it was her woman's intuition that led her to believe this.

The presentation was preceded by an exhibition drill by the Narvacan guardsmen. After the ceremony the flag was raised to the top of a tall staff that rested in a decorated pedestal. Mrs. C. B. Saies, secretary of the Women's club, assisted the guardsmen in hoisting the "Sun and Stars."

Enter "Miss Philippines"

Under Sam Camcam the guard company was put through some further drill exercises in preparation for the arrival of "miss Philippines." As the charming little representative of the islands entered the hall with her escorts and retinue of maids the guard company was drawn up at attention in two ranks. While the orchestra played the Filipino national anthem, "Miss Philippines" and her party passed between the ranks and were escorted to seats on the platform. The guard in two ranks took seats on opposite sides of the platform. "Miss Philippines" was becomingly attired in a beautiful costume in which the colors of the Philippines predominated.

Miss Looy was next officially proclaimed "Miss Philippines in America." This pretty ceremony was conducted by Luis Agudo of the Philippines Mail. "Miss Philippines" followed with a proclamation in which she urged her countrymen and women to remember their flag and the noble ideals for which it stands; to work harmoniously together to better their condition at home and abroad, to the end that they will be loved and respected; and to keep struggling for the future glory of their national emblem and their own future welfare.

Closing Features

"Mother" Harness was the final speaker. The flag day program came to a close with the singing of the American and Filipino national anthems by the audience in unison.

In staging the successful observance the Sons and Dughters of the Philippines had the full cooperation of 15 other Salinas valley Filipino organizations, fraternal, social educational and business.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 27 November 1933, Page 3

### **In Confinement**

MRS. C. C. MORALES, president of the Filipino Women's club of California, Salinas, has been confined in bed for the past several days due to illness. She is, however, rapidly recovering.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 27 November 1933, Page 3

### **Sales Home Scene Of Pleasant Activities**

Since their return from Meridian the home of Mr. And Mrs. C. B. Sales and Mr. And Mrs. Civil, 29 Sausal street, has been the scene of many pleasant social gatherings. Most recent ones were by the Filipino Women's club, a party sponsored by J. F. Cacas, labor contractor, and a party sponsored by Mr. And Mrs. C. C. Morales.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 24 July 1933, Page 1

### **Salinas Lassie Retains Lead In Mail Drive**

Startling Gains Revealed At Tabulation of Points Made At Social Dance in This City On Wednesday

Miss Rebecca Santiago Of Dinuba Close Second In Race for Big Prizes

STANDING OF THE CONTEST

Miss Mary Looy, Salinas: 27,600

Miss Rebecca Santiago, Dinuba: 10,140

Miss Maria de Guzman, Watsonville: 8,360

Miss Agueda Rollon, Soledad: 6,100

Miss Virginia Dubin, Salinas: 2,700

Miss Rufina Jose, San Francisco: 1,660

Miss Florence Rayia, Oakland: 800

With a remarkable gain of 11,100 points in the short period of four weeks Miss Mary Looy retains her lead in the Mail's subscription contest, it was revealed last Wednesday evening at the first official tabulation of the returns.

More than 400 friends of the young lady contestants assembled at the social party in the Salinas Athletic Club's gymnasium given by the Mail in honor of the subscription drive workers, and they waited eagerly for announcement of results as judges checked up and totaled the figures.

Miss Looy jumped from 16,500 on June 26; to 27,100 on July 19, showing that she has been keenly active all the time. But will the indefatigable young Salinas girl be able to retain her lead until the end? That is a question that is puzzling everybody. She says she can and intends to do so, and all the others claim she can't and that they will overtake and pass her by the time the next official tabulation, Sept. 2, rolls around.

Many Surprises

Indicating the contest may develop into a mighty close race very soon the official tabulation furnished many surprises.

The first of these was the immense gain of 9640 by Miss Rebecca Santiago of Dinuba. Entering the contest only a month ago with a meagre 500 points the popular San Joaquin valley girl sustained her reputation as a "Scrapper" by jumping to 10,140, which is only 1360 short of the record jump of Miss Looy.

Miss Santiago is one of the several other girls who are likely to give Miss Looy a hard race before the close.

Then there was Miss Maria de Guzman of Watsonville, who jumped from 5300 to 8360 for a gain of 3060; Miss Agueda Rollon of Soledad, who gained 400 by advancing from 5700 to 6100; and Miss Virginia Dubin, who gained 200, advancing from 2500 to 2700. Miss Florence Rayla, owing to being deterred by illness, made no gains.

#### New Contestant In Ranks

The ranks of the contestant were augmented Wednesday night by the belated entry of Miss Rufina Jose, one of the most charming of San Francisco's many pretty Filipino girls, and she promptly chalked up 1660 points, pretty good for a starter.

On Miss Jose's competent staff of campaign managers is Jose A. Raganit, Nicaslo C. Nicolas, and Manuel Mariano, the latter her brother-in-law. The young lady is hopeful and enthusiastic, saying that although late in the race she intends to catch up and be first among the winners at the finish.

The Mail regrets to announce that Miss Virginia Dubin has withdrawn from the race. Miss Dubin, because she is now employed, and who also helps her mother at home because the latter is temporarily ill, finds that she cannot any longer devote sufficient time to the contest to make the showing she would like. Everyone will miss Miss Dubin, a graceful and demure young lady whose popularity in the valley is widespread.

#### Outlines New Campaign

Miss Maria de Guzman of Watsonville, aided by her campaign managers, G. D. Javier and Jesus tabasa, is mapping a new plan of action. Undaunted by larger gains made by some of her rivals, Miss de Guzman intends to go steadily forward with her work and confidently expects to be the winner. Her confidence is shared by her many friends in the northern end of the country.

Miss Agueda Rollon of Soledad, who was much deterred early in the campaign by illness, and who a few weeks ago was compelled to submit to a minor operation in a hospital here, is now actively at work again. Now fully recovered and with the assistance of Mrs. Mary Caletisen, who is thoroughly versed in the methods of subscription campaigning, Miss Rollon will hereafter be constantly at work and looks for telling results.

#### Contestants Receive Ovation

All the contestants, with the exception of Miss Rayla, were present at the dance Wednesday evening. Each received an ovation when introduced to the audience, acknowledging the honor with cheery smiles and polite bows. A more charming bevy of grace and beauty was never before seen here at a similar social gathering.

Guests attended the party from all parts of the central coast section, as well as from the interior San Joaquin and Sacramento valleys. The San Francisco bay region was extensively represented by the elite of metropolitan Filipino society.

To the entrancing strains of the Philippines Mail Blues orchestra the guests tripped the light fantastic from 8:30 until after midnight, with a short intermission for the distribution of prizes donated by the enterprising Salinas business and professional men.

Miss Looy Decorated

Goodfriend and Traub, Salinas jewelers, awarded two special prizes, a necklace and a vanity set, to Miss Mary Looy, who by her large points gain, became the standard-bearer of the evening.

MRS. C. C. MORALES, president of the Filipino Women's Club, presented the prizes to the Spreckels beauty. MRS. MORALES at the same time, in behalf of her organization and thousands of readers of the Mail, proclaimed Miss Looy the most popular Filipina in California.

A ribbon bearing this inscription was pinned on Miss Looy by MRS. MORALES.

Other prizes awarded the candidates were donated by the Felman Tailoring Co, Frank and Ernest of De Luxe tailoring Co, the Togo Shoe Store, Gene's Pharmacy, Henry Wong (herbalist), and the De Luxe Dry Cleaners and Pressers.

Ben Lagpacan made his debut as official announcer and floor manager, and scored a hit with everybody. Possessor of a good voice that carried to all parts of the hall his words were heard by all, and he kept the dancers well lined up all the time. During the height of the festivities there were sometimes as many as 50 couples on the floor.

A special feature that also made a hit was the "Philippines Mail Blues March," played by the band as it paraded briefly on the hall floor. The march is an inspiring air, but unfortunately the Mail is unable to give the composer credit, because he has modestly failed, so far, to reveal his name.

As the band paraded the march was led by M. R. Ancheta and V. C. Gonzales. Mauro Ibarra, Egmidio Ibarra, Honorato Cifra, Basilio Mones, Dalmacio Minia, Wilverlo Gasmen, Eusebio Pongase and Hugo Cuadra are members of the Mail's Blues.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 10 July 1933, Page 1

### **Drive Is Launched For Welfare Funds By Leaders Of Filipino Women's Club**

Many Popular Young Girls Enroll to Aid In Collecting Money for Relief of Distress

Initial steps to raise funds for welfare work among Salinas valley Filipinos were instituted here on the evening of June 24 at a dance in the gymnasium of the Athletic club, under the auspices of the Filipino Women's club. At the invitation of the club a large number of men and women, young and old, assembled to hear the project explained and at the same time enjoy an evening of pleasant social festivities.

Reasons why the club should be strongly supported in welfare work, and why the club is a necessity in this community, were eloquently explained by MRS. C. C. MORALES, club president.

Addressing her fellow countrymen, MRS. MORALES, among other things, said: "We want to show that we are not wards of public charity. We want to show that we can take care of ourselves in times of need and public distress."

Mrs. C. B. Sales, club secretary, presided as chairman of the evening.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 10 July 1933, Page 1

### **Filipinos Fete Nation's Birth Day In Salinas**

Patriotic Program Staged In Lake Street Theater Is Attended by Throng Of Enthusiastic People Young Men's Club Of Valley Sponsors Best Exercises Ever Observed Here

Joining with the people of America in celebrating the Fourth of July, America's Natal Day, about 500 Filipinos from all over Monterey County gathered at the local Lake street theatre last Tuesday evening and enjoyed a musical and literary given under the auspices of the Filipino Young Men's Club at Salinas Valley. The program rated to be the best ever witnessed this year by the Filipino population of the county, was remarkably and beautifully rendered under the direction of Garciano Alvarida, head of the new Filipino organization.

Throughout the program various speakers manifested Filipinos' cognizance of their problems both at home and abroad. Conditions, past and present, of nations on earth, dependent and independent, were vividly depicted-always making reference as to the future effect of these conditions upon the people of the Philippines.

Buenaventura Lagpacan, sounding the keynote of the evening's gathering, declared that "this day is a day of universal concentration." After glimpsing at the world's attempts at restoring universal concord and harmony, Lagpacan brought his hearers years back during the Spanish occupation of the Islands. "After being under Spain for 300 years, where are we? What are we?" Lagpacan, with

eloquence and emphasis, shouted. "After being over 30 years under the United States, where are we? What are we?", again he asked.

Touching local labor problems during the course of his speech, Lagpacan appealed to his fellow workingmen to work unitedly to maintain America's standard of living by working at a standard wage that would afford them to do so.

Rufo C. Canete, president of the local Filipino Labor Suply association, briefly reviewed outstanding accomplishments of the organization since it came into being. He said that that body would continue to serve the Filipino laboring class here and everywhere in the hope that every Filipino would not hesitate to cooperate with the organization at all times. He also pledged to support the Filipino Women's Club of California and the Filipino Christian Fellowship.

MRS. C. C. MORALES, president of the Filipino Women's Club, took her turn. With an unequivocal manifestation of sincerity, her voice echoing in the packed hall, MRS. MORALES gave her fellow countrymen sound maternal advice. She said that members of her club are donating their services, without expecting any material returns, for the welfare of Filipino in the Valley.

In concluding her highly received address, MRS. MORALES appealed to everyone to support all local movements intended to solve local problems.

Luis F. Patacsil, representing "The Workingmen" a study club, urged his people to make early adjustments here as he painted black ominous clouds for Filipinos in this country in the near future. In establishing his background that the future is not very reassuring for Filipinos here, he dwelt upon President Roosevelt's back to the farm movement, inflation, and parity bill. He said that all these things, if carried out, would tend to crowd Filipinos both from farm and domestic work.

J. B. Sampayan, secretary of the Filipino Christian Fellowship, gave a very enlightening speech on the good work that the labor contractor sysem has done and is doing for the Filipinos in the valley. He said that if the laborer feels that his earnings are being eaten up by his board bill when work is scarce, he is at liberty to leave the camp and look for something to do somewhere. He said that the practice of labor contractors to keep men during winter months is not moved by profits derived from board but by accomodating hundreds of fellow countrymen who have no place to eat and sleep during that period.

He said that if laborers are not getting enough for their work, labor contractors should not be blamed. It is up to the laborers to demand wages commensurate with the work they perform. Labor contractors, he said, as has been in the past, are always striving to protect the interest of the laboring class.

Baldomero Aquino, a local junior college graduate, delivered a masterpiece speech on the political conditions of the Philippines. He emphasized the neceddity of having an educated and enlightened electorate and well guided public opinion to supress all political graft and corruption in the Islands.

Paul Ampoon, representing Filipino farm laborers in the valley, gave a stirring address on local labor conditions. He said that all laborers here would cooperate to their utmost with the Filipino labor supply association to remedy labor ills. "But," he declared, "if the association fails to protect the laborers' interests here, the laborers themselves would organize their own body to protect them."

Agaton F. Cruz, a junior college graduate, agreed with other speakers that "we have grave problems in our community." He urged his fellow countrymen "to create new conditions to solve some of these problems."

Luis Agudo, of the Philippines, gave closing remarks.

F. Lomongo's "Sundown Entertainers" played several special selections appropriate for the occasion. Mrs. J. B. Sampayan, Little Juling, T. Caguiwa, Rio Brothers (Joaquin and Eladio), Bernardo Majia and L. Luengo filled the song numbers of the program.

Rev. Mr. Juan Callao, of the Filipino Christian Fellowship, gave the invocation.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 13 November 1933, Page 4

### **Filipino Banner Is Honored Here By Big Gathering**

Singers and Speakers Re-tell History of Filipino Colors

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The Philippines Mail's Blues and the vocal solos of little Misses Blasabas and Camoran, there were others equally as pleasing to everyone. Messrs. Ray Camcam, S. Soria and Sam Camcam rendered a delightful vocal trio; the Malayan Syncopators favored with an artistic orchestral selection Mrs. F. Malvas of Soledad sang charmingly; and Mrs. Mary Caletisen of Soledad held everyone enthralled during the rendition of her vocal selection.

All the vocalists were so vociferously applauded they were forced to respond to encores.

The only recitation on the program, one that elicited applause, was by Jemmy Santos, who proved himself a fine elocutionist. He recited "Ang Bandila at Ang Bayan."

Flag Presentation

Presentation of the "Sun and Stars" to the Filipino Women's club was made by Rufo C. Canete, president of the Filipino Labor Supply Association, on behalf of the Sons and Daughters of the Philippines. In an address that touched the hearts of everyone Canete said it was in deep appreciation of the untiring devotion of members of the club to welfare work among Filipinos who find themselves in distress because of sickness, injury, lack of employment or other causes.

During the past two years or more, Canete declared, women of the club have never failed to respond to an appeal for aid, and the work they have done

and are still doing has been of incalculable benefit to those who have been relieved. He said it had often been done at no little amount of self-sacrifice, expenditure of time and sometimes personal outlay. Scores of Filipinos throughout the state, in addition to the donors, therefore hoped the club would accept the emblem as a token of their gratefulness and kindly good wishes.

#### Woman Overcome

The flag presentation was a feature of the program that had been arranged on short notice. The women were therefore taken greatly by surprise. MRS. C. C. MORALES, president of the club, who accepted the gift, was visibly overcome.

On regaining her composure she made a feeling speech of acceptance, thanking the Sons and Daughters of the Philippines saying the flag would be a new incentive to continue the work, that it would always be treasured, and that no one would ever be allowed to step between the "Sun and Stars" of the Philippines and the "Stars and Stripes" of America if the women can prevent.

They should be inseparable until the islands are independent, she said, and then, asking the audience to mentally mark the date, she ventured the prediction that America will grant the Filipinos' plea for freedom and independence much sooner than anyone expects. She said it was her woman's intuition that led her to believe this.

The presentation was preceded by an exhibition drill by the Narvacan guardsmen. After the ceremony the flag was raised to the top of a tall staff that rested in a decorated pedestal, Mrs. C. B. Sales, secretary of the Women's club, assisted the guardsmen in hoisting the "Sun and Stars.:"

#### Enter "Miss Philippines"

Under Sam Camcam the guard company was put through some further drill exercises in preparation for the arrival of "Miss Philippines." As the charming little representative of the islands entered the hall with her escorts and retinue of maids the guard company was drawn up at attention in two ranks. While the orchestra played the Filipino national anthem, "Miss Philippines" and her party passed between the ranks and were escorted to seats on the platform. The guard in two ranks took seats on opposite sides of the platform. "Miss Philippines" was becomingly attired in a beautiful costume in which the colors of the Philippines predominated.

Miss Looy was next officially proclaimed "Miss Philippines in America." This pretty ceremony was conducted by Luis Agudo of the Philippines Mail. "Miss Philippines" followed with a proclamation in which she urged her countrymen and women to remember their flag and the noble ideals for which it stands; to work harmoniously together to better their condition at home and abroad to the end that they will be loved and respected; and to keep struggling for the future glory of their national emblem and their own future welfare.

#### Closing Features

"Mother" Harness was the final speaker. The flag day program came to close with the singing of the American and Filipino national anthem by the audience in unison.

In staging the successful observance the Sons and Daughters of the Philippines had the full cooperation of 15 other Salinas valley Filipino organizations, fraternal, social, educational and business.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 13 November 1933, Page 4

### **Federal Grand Jury Indicts Four Men In Alaska Fishing Fleet Booze Racket**

New Scheme for Swindling by Compelling Purchase Of Liquor at Exorbitant Prices is Exposed

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 13.

With the indictment by the Federal grand jury of four men who are said to have been making enormous illegal profits at the expense of men joining the Alaska fishing force is seen a vigorous move by state and federal authorities to end a form of racketeering that has been a public scandal for many years

Among those indicted are Samuel Young, Arthur L. Mayer and Milton Torres, who are under arrest, but at liberty pending trial on \$5000 bail each. The name of the fourth, not yet arrested, has not been disclosed. They are charged with conspiracy to sell liquor to sailers and laborers shipping with the Alaska Packing Co.'s fleet, at rates varying from \$5 to \$6 per pint. These sales of liquor to the sailors and workers are said to be part of a system of coercion practiced by the quartet indicted.

Young and Mayer, proprietors of a North Beach tailoring and sailors outfitting establishment, had previously been indicted on charges of violating the state labor employment agency act. They are said to have been acting as recruiters for the Alaska Packers association for many years, sending north each season between 1200 and 1500 Filipinos, chinese and Mexicans to work in the canneries during the salmon run.

According to Albert Johnson, chief counsel for the California labor commission, the men were charged a \$5 employment agency fee and were compelled to buy their clothing and outfits from the North Beach firm at exorbitant prices.

The men signed up at \$160 for six months, but upon their return from the fisheries, after employment fees and outfit deductions from their salaries, found they had only a few dollars left. Johnson computed that their average pay, after deducting the fee and other charges placed against them, was only one-half cent per hour.

The new charge of \$5 to \$6 per pint for liquor is said to have been a new form of graft to fleece them out of what little money they had coming at the end of the season.

A number of the victims of the swindle gave evidence before the Federal grand jury.

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SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 8 January 1934, Page 1

### **2,000 Are Inspired By New Feature Of Salinas Rizal Fete**

Drama Portraying Martyrdom of Patriot Brings Tears to Eyes of Many People in Vast Audience in Civic Club Auditorium

Senator C. C. Baker Pays Glowing Tribute to Fine Character and Noble ideals of Patriotic National Hero of Filipinos

Amidst a surging crowd of about 2000 people, Americans and Filipinos, that packed the local Women's Civic Club auditorium to overflowing capacity, the Filipino Women's Club of California presented Saturday evening, December 30th, a Rizal Day program that went down an Filipino history as the best ever held in America. From the beginning to the end of the four and a half program Filipinos from every part of Salinas Valley and interior valley towns kept pouring in.

The beautiful rendition of the three-act play portraying Rizal's execution on Bagumbayan by a Spanish squad, artistic stage settings, the inspiring message of former State Senator C. C. Baker, the solemn and impressive proclamation of Miss Rosario Montayre as "Queen of Charity," patriotic songs of Mrs. M. A. Malbas, the 14-piece orchestra of Luis Luengo and stirring speeches of the speakers, transformed the occasion into a real Philippine night and made the program an overwhelming success. Unexcelled in appropriateness, color impressiveness and completeness in every conceivable detail, the 1933 Rizal Day observance sponsored by a handful of patriotic members of the Filipino Women's club of California, eclipsed all other programs held in the United States in the pasts.

#### **HALL CROWDED**

The heavy downpour which occurred during the latter part of the day, and continued in the early hours of the evening, did not stop from coming the immense throng that assembled to see the program. Every available standing space of the hall was occupied.

The auditorium was beautifully decorated with potted plants, flowers, ferns and flags. Stage settings portrayed two epochs of Philippine history -- Spanish period and the period of the Filipino revolution against Spain.]

Some 12 members of the Filipino Women's Club of California, garbed in Filipina bright color dresses and seated close to the stage, gave added color effect to the decorations. The 14-piece orchestra of Luis Luengo attracted many an

admiring eye. Members of the band wore military caps. For the first time, on that evening, Filipinos in Salinas valley saw an aggregation of local musical talent.

#### SONGS EXPRESSIVE

Both songs and music expressed Filipino longings for freedom and Filipino love of home and country. Their prayers and supplications, their sufferings, their struggles to be free from foreign domination and their love and respect for their heroes, living and dead, were recited by Filipino speakers of the evening.

The proclamation ceremonies of Miss Rosario Mantayre as "Queen of Charity," Miss Mary Looy as "Miss Hope" and Miss Eva Taporee as "Miss Faith" were solemn and impressive. The ceremonies were splendidly performed by MRS. C. C. MORALES, president of the Filipino Women's Club. MRS. MORALES was dressed in "Balintawak." Manuel Raras, Maximino Matias and Willie Maratao acted as consorts to the "queen and princesses."

The three-act drama, depicting the final hours of Dr. Jose Rizal, was colorful and impressive. It was the principal feature of the evening's program.

#### DRAMA REALISTIC

The first scene of the play vividly portrayed the picture of Rizal when he received his death sentence from Civil Governor Polavieja.

The civil governor sent his aide de camp to Fort Santiago with an order to the commanding officer to report with Rizal. Rizal, with his arms pinioned in the back and wearing a derby hat, arrived in the governor's office with the commanding officer and the governor's aide de camp to receive his sentence. After receiving the sentence he was taken back to Fort Santiago where he was held incommunicado.

The characters of this scene were: Civil governor, Tirso Babiera; Clerk, J. Bartolome; Bodyguard, Ray Camcam; Aide de Camp, Sam Camcam; Rizal, S. Soria; Commanding Officer, Roman Aliado.

#### AUDIENCE TOUCHED

With an open field, trees and mountains as the background the execution of Rizal on Bagumhayan field by a Spanish squad was realistically re-enacted. Unlike the first scene, strict silence reigned supreme in the audience. Sadness was readable in every face. The Spanish medical officer approached Rizal, felt his pulse and reported, "Pulse normal." The priest, following strictly the Roman Catholic ritual, put his right arm around Rizal's shoulders and requested him to confess and pray. As both the priest and Rizal's shoulders were praying, a voice, low and sweet, was heard reciting Rizal's "My Last Farewell." Sobs and sighs were audible from the audience. There were tears in every eye. And as the final hour of the hero approached, the silence was abruptly disturbed by the command of the commanding officer, "Blindfold him." Rizal refused to be blindfolded, as "I am not a traitor." He was then turned with his back to the soldiers. But as the

command "Prepare, aim, fire" was given, Rizal wheeled around facing the soldiers. As he was lying prostrate on the ground, taps were sounded. The medical officer felt his pulse and reported "He's dead."

The characters of the second scene were: Commanding officer, Roman Aliado; Rizal, S. Soria; Priest, G. D. Javier; Physician, V. C. Gonzales. Ray Camcam, Sam Camcam, Tirso Babiera, B. C. Taclay, J. Bartolome, B. Ramos, P. Villanueva, M. Lale and G. Gonzales were members of the Spanish squad.

The statue of the "Cry of Balintawak," Rizal's tomb, mountains, trees and palms formed the scene of the last act. The oriental scenery on the canvas was painted by F. Lomongo, of Salinas.

#### NEW NATIONALISM

Out of the womb of Rizal's tragic fate was born new Filipino nationalism, new thought, new action. This was impressively and vividly portrayed in the final act. "Filipinas," draped in Philippine colors, walked to the scene with a Katipunan soldier. Upon reaching the scene, near the tomb, "Filipinas" looked with great astonishment at Balintawak, then gazed, with sadness and sorrow, at Rizal's final resting place. As her eyes wandered around, she was touched by the sad spectacle. With her teeth gnashing and grinding with hatred and vengeance, she exclaimed: "what's all this! Ah! The Nation again in turmoil? What has become upon my country?"

"These formidable hordes of oppression which for centuries gripped the country, creating havoc, fear, starvation and death, must be checked from their onward march. We have been oppressed long enough. To let them continue oppressing and torturing us for material gains will be a total surrender of our birthright to be free and independent.

#### UPRISING RE-ENACTED

"Sons and daughters of Filipinas, arise! Aguinald, Mahini, Ricarte, Gregorio del Pilar, Antonio Luna, Marcelo del Pilar." As the generals of the Filipino revolution against Spain arrived they were presented with swords. Reciting and singing of the revolutionary hymn, "Bangon Mga ng Bayan," by "Filipinas," then by the revolutionary generals, ended the three-act play.

The cast -- "Filipinas," Mrs. C. B. Sales; Katipunan soldier, A. Castro; Cry of Balintawak, Vicente Catada; Aguinaldo, Sam Camcam; Mabini, S. Soria; Ricarte, B. C. Taclay, Gregorio del Pilar, Ray Camcam; Marcelo del Pilar; V. C. Gonzales; Luna, P. Villanueva.

The program started at 8:00 o'clock with an overture by the Malayan Syncopators and Mail's Blues; invocation by Rev. Juan Calleo, pastor of the Filipino Christian Fellowship; welcome address by Luis Agudo, chairman of the evening; vocal solo by Mrs. J. B. Sampayan; address by George Aquino, Jr, president Salinas Valley Narvacan Association; piano solo by Miss Hattle.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 8 January 1934, Page 3

### **Watsonville Mayor Extolls Dr. Rizal**

Honl. C. H. Baker, mayor of Watsonville, was the leading speaker on the Rizal day program rendered in that city on the evening of Saturday, Dec. 29, under the auspices of the Filipino Catholic club. St. Patrick's hall, in which the program was rendered, was crowded with spectators, including Filipinos from many parts of the central coast section and their American friends.

In paying a glowing tribute to the martyred Filipino patriot, Mayor Baker stated that it had been his pleasure to attend similar gatherings for a number of years past and that his admiration for the fine character of Rizal increased from year to year as he learned more about the history of his life, deeds and heroic death. He said Rizal furnished an example of unselfish patriotism and devotion to ideals that might well be followed by public men throughout the world.

Serafin L. Lazo presided as master of ceremonies. Other numbers on the entertaining program were:

Invocation, Rev. Father Daumas; musical selection, Malayan Syncopators; welcome address, Jesus T. Tabasa; address, MRS. C. C. MORALES, president of the Filipino Women's Club of California; string duet, J. Lazo and P. Enriquez; recitation, "Huling-Pa-Alam," Miss Maria de Guzman; musical selection, Malayan Syncopators; biography of Dr. Rizal, Jose Guerrero; musical selection, F. Lomongo; address, Luis Agudo, editor Philippines Mail; vocal solo, Miss Catalina Balasbas; address in Tagalog, Gabriel D. Javier; musical selection, Malayan Syncopators; recitation, "My Last Farewell," Ray F. Castro; "Star Spangled Banner" and Philippines, My Philippines," audience.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 8 January 1934, Page 1

### **Women Thank Those Who Extended Help In Rizal Memorial**

On behalf of the Filipino Women's club of California, we desire to extend to all who participate in our Rizal day program our heartfelt thanks. We feel that the program was a success beyond our fondest expectations because of the great care and zeal with which each person carried out his or her particular part.

Our thanks are particularly due Senator C. C. Baker for his fine address, to those who had roles in the drama, to the musicians, vocalists and those who spoke on the subjects assigned them.

We are grateful also to many others who did not take active part, but who helped us wonderfully by advice and who assisted us in the many details of perfecting the program, decorating the hall and arranging the scenes and costumes.

MRS. C. C. MORALES, Pres.

MRS. C. B. SALES, Sec.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 8 January 1934, Page 1

### **Organization Of Filipino Labor Union Perfected**

Officers are Chosen and Installed; 600 Sign Roll

Starting off with a charter membership roll of more than 600, the new Filipino labor union launched here recently, completed its organization Sunday evening, December 10, at a meeting held in the gymnasium of the Salinas Athletic club. Filipinos were present from all parts of the Salinas valley and neighboring cities.

Rufo C. Canete, president of the Filipino Labor Supply association of Monterey county, and one of the leading labor contractors of the state, was unanimously elected as chief of the new union. Other officers chosen were:

C. C. MORALES, vice-president.

Luis Agudo, secretary.

George Cartagena, treasurer.

Venerando C. Gonzales, auditor.

Pablo Tanguan, director.

C. D. Javier, director.

P. M. Olivete, director.

Francisco Sana, director.

At another meeting held on Thursday evening, December 28, in the auditorium of the state armory building, the officers were installed with impressive ceremonies conducted by D. L. Marcuelo, publisher of the Three Stars, Stockton. The occasion was a social dance, which was attended by more than 300 people.

The new union plans incorporating and submitting a code of fair practice to the California administrator of the National Recovery Administration.

As agricultural workers are not covered by the rules of the NRA the new union will take advantage of a clause providing for collective bargaining between unions and employers of labor to negotiate satisfactory wage scales for the coming season.

Owing to lack of organization Filipino field laborers, during the harvesting season recently closed, were compelled to accept wages considerably lower than the minimum scale set by the NRA.

It is expected the new union will become the nucleus of a future statewide organization. Leaders say it is rapidly gaining momentum. They expect the local membership to reach the 1000 mark before the end of January and the 2500 mark by the end of February.

At present it is estimated there are not less than 3000 Filipinos in the Salinas valley.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 8 January 1934, Page 2

### **Stars And Roses (8jan34)**

By ALEX L. FABROS

(Salinas Junior College)

As the year 1933 fades away into the dark abyss of oblivion, the uppermost resolution that came to my mind was to nominate men and women to some of the vacant niches in the spacious Hall of Fame. These "Stars and Roses" were singled out from a thick crowd because, according to my faulty estimation, they have at least sacrificed or contributed something worthwhile remembering to the happiness and welfare of the Filipino Community in Salinas Valley.

The following are my nominees:

Mr. Luis Agudo -- the unsung hero. He is the "brain-trust" of the local Filipino Community... Legal, spiritual, political, social and educational uplifter, promoter and leader of his race... Great organizer... Public tongue... Spell-binding orator. His life and precious moments solely dedicated not to selfish aggrandizement but to the welfare and good of his people is worthy to emulate.

Mr. Rufo Canete... Man whose calibre as a peaceful strike leader is comparable to none... Devoting most of his time for the betterment of his countrymen's wages... Square-dealer and perchance one of the most popular contractors in the state.

Mrs. C. B. Sales... Energetic F. W. C. Secretary... With the commendable collaboration of editor Agudo, the recent Rizal Day celebration was made possible as the most successful ever held in Salinas or elsewhere.

MRS. C. C. MORALES... Able and never-to-give up president of the active F. W. C.... Her untiring efforts placed her club among the respected.

Mr. And Mrs. J. B. Sampayan... An outstanding ambidextrous pair of Christian Fellowship leaders.

Mr. Delfin Cruz... The most misunderstood gentleman... Live-wire and very shrewd advertising manager of the "Mail."

Miss Rosie Antonio... Possessor of captivating smiles, a pair of dimpled "rosie" cheeks, and alluring eyes that cause unbearable pangs of anguish in many men's hearts.

Mr. F. Lomongo... Lone survivor of the disbanded "Three Musketeers"... His weakness rests on skirts.

Mr. Cayo Santiago... Morong's pet and most popular gentleman.

Mr. Antonio Caletisen... Contractors' master mind.

Mr. Luis Patacsil... Fearless expounder of truth and a brilliant orator, too.

Mr. Raymond Camcam... Buding crooner.

Mr. Faustino Blanco... Embryo businessman and restaurateur... Bachelor and philanthropist.

Mr. Castor Aquino... Jovial and "fattle"... Still wandering in the turbulent sea of l-o-v-e.

Miss Hattle Calub... Vivacious "lily of the valley."

Miss Mary Looy... Very diminutive beauty and Muse of Poetry (Talokatik ni Dallang to me)

Mr. Rock Lavarias... Tennis champion, sleek dancer, and pessimistic philosopher.

Mr. P. Tangonan... Just coming out from obscurity to the sunshine of popularity.

Mr. Gregorio Aquino... Tonguetied, yet very able leader.

Miss Mary Montayre... Queen of Charity.

Mr. V. C. Gonzales... Expert in debts and credits intricacies of the commercial world.

Mr. Laureto Lagpacan... Bright student and bookshelf ransacker.

Mr. Felipe Arellano... Silent but intelligent.

Mr. Salvador Soria... A lover and a dreamer.

Rev. Juan Callao... Spiritualist... His presence in our midst is really a blessing.

Miss Consuelo Antonio... Connie like her fascinating sis, she is the sweet apple of many an eye.

Mr. P. M. Olivete... The Philippines needs his type... A silvertongued politician.

Mr. Mariano Lozares -- El barbero, good mixer.

MR. AND MRS. ANTONIO ENTERTAIN AT DINNER

Mr. And Mrs. Francisco Antonio were host and hostess, on Saturday, Dec. 24, at a pleasant noon luncheon party in their home on California street, and a number of their intimate friends and relatives were guests. Native cakes were one of the many pleasing items on the menu. Besides the host and hostess there were present the Misses Rosie and Consuelo Antonio and Messrs. D. F. Cruz, B. B. Santos, F. C. Sana, J. F. Africa, F. S. Cruz, J. S. Sana and A. F. Cruz.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 8 January 1934, Page 2

### **Sidelines**

By A Q. ARELLANO

That the growth of colleges and universities in the United States are the fragments of the ideas of the Europeans, and the advent of the almighty dollar is stimulating.

The best way to know the modern writers and philosophers is to consult the current references... That the research works, when not yet published, is classified as the "When Room," so called in journalistic code.

That it the Modernist Party and the Sakdal Party are not air-minded in their designs, there will be four political parties looming this coming 1934 general election in the Philippines.

That a chosen vocation or profession is one's life routine... The spice in it is success or failure.

It is awfully nice to be a beauty queen... But what a mockery when Queen Maria I of the Philippine Carnival Benevolent Association dropped her crown as she gave her majestic bow to the huge crowd, who went wild with laughter.

It was not an inferiority complex that made Pufina Ipher majestic, so hysterical when she was crowned "Miss Philippine" last month... It can be assumed that her environments were in perfect darkness because of sunburn.

Sophisticated kissing is an ideology of a versatile girl... That when a girl kisses you it means something heavenly... Believe it or not.

Calub; speech by P. M. Olivete, eminent commander, Calif. Constitory, A. F. & A. M.; quartette by Miss Rose Antonio, Miss Consuelo Antonio, Pedro Adlao and David Lobrin; proclamation of the Queen by MRS. C. C. MORALES, president of the Filipino Women's club of Calif.; speech by Rufo G. Canete, president Filipino Labor Union; musical trio by L. Luengo, E. Pangasi, and P. Daligdig; Rizal's biography by Roque Lavarias; vocal solo by M. A. Malbas; address by former State Senator C. C. Baker, guest of honor; musical selections and Philippine national anthem and "Star Spangled Banner" by the Malayan Syncopators and Mail's Blues.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 29 January 1934, Page 1

### **Fellowship Elects Officers For 1934**

The Filipino Christian Fellowship held its annual election Saturday afternoon, January 13, in the local Lutheran Church, with J. G. Clemente, president in the chair. Francisco Antonio, for many years a religious leader in San Jose, was elected president of the Fellowship for 1934. Others elected were: P. M. Olivete, first vice president; A. P. Borja, treasurer; R. C. Canete, assistant treasurer; J. B. Sampayan, secretary; Luis Agudo, assistant secretary; MRS. C. C. MORALES, auditor, and J. G. Clemente, advisor.

The new officers of the Fellowship met in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Civil, 29 Sausal street, Tuesday evening, January 16, and discussed plans to raise the necessary funds for the erection of the proposed chapel of the organization in Salinas some time this year. Present in the meeting were Rev. A. W. Webster, president of the Administrative Board of the fellowship and K. M. Gordon, superintendent of the Filipino Bible class. This meeting was presided over by P. M. Olivete, first vice-president of the organization. J. G. Clemente, F. Antonio, J. B. Sampayan, C. K. Gordon, Pastor Juan Callao, R. C. Canete, MRS. C. C. MORALES and Mrs. C. B. Sales were appointed members of the building fund

committee. K. M. Gordon, J. B. Sampayan and MRS. C. C. MORALES compose the committee to take care of the plans and specifications of the proposed chapel.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 29 January 1934, Page 4

### **Christening Party At Castor Aquino's Camp**

More than 100 friends assembled on Jan. 14 at Castor Aquino's camp, near Castroville, to attend social festivities that followed the christening of the little daughter of Mr. And Mrs. Clemente Raras. Rosie was the pretty named bestowed upon the beautiful child. Miss Rose Antonio, MRS. C. C. MORALES. Joaquin Rio and Arsenio Navaro became the godmothers and godfathers of the little girl.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 29 January 1934, Page 4

### **Callao's Report Heard By Board**

Request of the Filipino Christian Endeavor of San Francisco to get Juan callao as a part-time pastor in the city was rejected in the meeting held by the Administrative Board of the Filipino Christian Fellowship on January 15 in the local M. E. Church. It was the general opinion that Pastor Callao should either devote all his time in Salinas valley or in San Francisco.

The building of the proposed Filipino church in Salinas was seriously discussed. J. G. Clemente, advisor of the fellowship, informed the board that the lot for the chapel has already been purchased by him and that, upon incorporation of the organization and the needed funds for the Filipino chapel raised, the title to the lot will be transferred to the fellowship.

The rest of the meeting was spent hearing the report of religious activities of Pastor Callao in Salinas valley during the quarter ending December 31, 1933.

Those present in the meeting were Dr. Wm. Clyde Smith, Rev. A. W. Webster, Rev. L. D. Logee, Rev. C. G. Zierk, K. M. Gordon, J. G. Clemente, Francisco Antonio, MRS. C. C. MORALES, J. B. Sampayan, Pastor Juan Callao and Luis Agudo.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 9 April 1934, Page 1

### **Women's Club Making Elaborate Plans For Flag Day Observance In Salinas**

Thirteen Pretty Aspirants for Goddess Honors Will Be Introduced at Dance to be Given Soon

Preparatory to the elaborate observance of the Philippine Flag Day in Salinas, the Filipino Women's Club of California will hold a series of social benefit dances in the local Women's Civic club beginning Saturday, April 28. The first social gathering will be the presentation of all the candidates in the "Philippine Flag Day Queen Contest." About 13 young beautiful Filipina girls

from many parts of California will be formally presented here on April 28, Mrs. C. B. Sales, secretary of the club, announced.

Among those to be honored in the Presentation Dance will be Miss Mary Marquez, Redwood City; Miss Mary Montayre, Escondido; Miss Virginia Bayhon, Gilroy; Miss Rosita Antonio, Salinas; Miss Bertha Parras, Soledad; Miss Paddy Andrino, Turlock; Miss Filomena Villamor, Stockton; Miss Paula Dizon, Irvington; Miss Maria Clara Abogadie, Menlo Park; Miss Mary Looy, Gonzales; Miss Rosita Flores, Agnew; Miss Helen Santiago, Dinuba; and Miss Annie Avilla, Salinas.

Elaborate preparations, to entertain the coming Filipina beauties who will be in a friendly race for honor in the Women's club queen contest, are under way. Mrs. Mary Caletisen, head of the Queen Contest Committee, is mapping out plans to receive the feminine guests. MRS. C. C. MORALES, president of the club, is holding nocturnal meetings with members of her organization perfecting details to observe the Philippine National Flag Day.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 30 April 1934, Page 2

### **Native Sons And Daughters Of The Philippines**

#### Organizations Represented

Filipino Women's Club of California -- MRS. C. C. MORALES and Mrs.: C. B. Sales.

Filipino Christian Fellowship -- Francisco Antonio and Mrs. J.B: Sampayan.

Filipino Labor Union, Inc.(All over California) -- Rufo C. Canete and: F. Ramos.

Filipino Business Council -- F. Blanco and Venerando C. Gonzales.

Rizal Lodge, C. D. A. (Dimas-Alang all over America) -- J. B. Sampayan And Angel Melentdes.

Bukid Laonglaan, M. A. N. B. -- P. M. Olivete, Pablo C. Tangonan, B. C. Taclay, and D. F. Cruz

National Council, Mga Anak ng Bukid, Inc. (All over California): H. B. Azarcon, Tomas Espanola, Tomas Flores, Rufo C. Canete, D. L. Marcuelo, Phil. Barreras and Luis Agudo.

Aglipay Lodge, C. D. A. -- M. G. Layugan and S. Albalos.

Tarlakenians -- M. B. Masilongan, Pedro Gualberto, Alex Fabros and F. Mangrobang.

Progressive Youth of Morong -- Cayo Santiago.

Workingmen Study Club -- Grand C. Duking and F. Manzanillo.

Ricarte Lodge, A. F. & A. M. -- Gerundio Salvador.

California Consistory, A. F. & A. M. -- G. D. Javier.

Three Stars -- D. L. Marcuelo.

Loonanon Macosganon (Organization of Boholanos) -- F. Maratas.

Philippines Mail -- Luis Agudo, Venerando C. Gonzales, Miss Consuelo Antonio and Rufo C. Canete.

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SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 11 June 1934, Page 3

### **Filipino Factional Fights Condemned**

Salinas Societies Act To Stop Bloody Battles

FILIPINO FACTIONAL FIGHTS CONDEMNED

Salinas Societies Act To Stop Bloody Battles

Denouncing Filipino gang feuds, which have created reigns of terror in the Salinas Oriental district several times during the past ten days, as black stains on the good names of law-abiding Filipino organizations caucused here last Tuesday evening, June 5, at 29 Sausal street, under the auspices of the Filipino Women's Club of California.

After threshing out the subject of the bloody encounters of Filipino rival factions and branding them as a disgrace to the Filipinos who engage in them, the caucus decided that the Filipino Women's Club should write to all labor contractor's in the valley, appealing to them to advise and counsel their men to remain in the camps night times.

Besides the Women's Club, the organizations represented were the Filipino Labor Union, the Workingmen's Study Club, Rizal lodge, C. A. D, Narvacan association, Progressive Youth of Morong, Filipino Business Council, Tarlakenian association, Filipino City Employed club, Filipino Christian Fellowship, and Mga Anak ng Bukid Inc.

MRS. C. C. MORALES, president of the Women's Club, presided over the meeting. A light repast was served after the caucus.

SOURCE: THE PHILIPPINES MAIL, OCTOBER 8, 1934

### **Filipinos Discuss Freedom Offer At Huge Meeting**

New Measure is Serious Disappointment to Those Who Looked for Definite Freedom Date for Isles

Rejected H.-C.-H. In Poor Disguise is Verdict of Many Attending Meeting

Under the auspices of the leading Filipino fraternal, business and social organizations, Filipinos from many parts of the Salinas valley gathered here last Saturday to discuss the provisions of the McDuffie-Tydings Independence bill, passed by congress recently and signed March 26 by President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Welcomed at first by many as marking the beginning of the end of the islands' long struggle for national freedom, a period lasting nearly 400 years, the

bill proved a serious disappointment to them when the full text was received and read here.

#### DISGUISED POORLY

A careful scrutiny of its contents indicated it is only a revamping of the repudiated and rejected Hawes-Cutting-Hare bill, poorly disguised, instead of a measure that will lead to complete Philippines independence at the expiration of a definite transition period. It was branded as but little more liberal than the Hawes-Cutting-Hare bill, which imposed terms on the islands that would have ruined the people financially and industrially within a few years.

The only concessions made to Filipino objections are agreements by the United States to abandon its military reservations in the islands and to negotiate with the insular government on abandonment of its naval bases.

Many Filipinos At Freedom Meet

#### ONE-SIDED PROVISION

The McDuffie-Tydings bill provides for independence at the expiration of a 12 to 13 year transition period, but it sets no definite date, and it makes no provision to carry out the independence pledge

At the expiration of any period whatever. That would be left to future congresses, which would have the power to change the bill or extend the transition period indefinitely from time to time as it might suit the future congresses to do.

The McDuffie-Tydings bill also allows the American government to impose prohibitive import duties on islands exports that are now admitted free to American markets up to certain amounts. These exports to the United States are principally cane sugar and copra.

American exports to the islands must be admitted free, as at present.

#### NEGLECTS FILIPINO STATUS

The McDuffie-Tydings bill also provides for immediate restriction of Filipino immigration to the United States, by placing the islands on a quota basis. Based on present figures this would allow but 40 to 50 Filipinos to come to the United States within the early periods.

Another serious fault found with the McDuffie-Tydings bill is that it makes no provision for the future status of the 60,000 Filipinos now in the United States, should they determine to stay here instead of returning to the islands, nor for the 32,000 Filipinos now in the Hawaiian Islands.

News from the islands is to the effect that while the McDuffie-Tydings bill is acceptable to the Quezon political faction, it will meet with vigorous opposition from those who have been demanding complete and immediate independence.

#### MUSIC AND ADDRESSES

The program included with selections by the Malayan Syncopaters and Royal orchestras; invoking the divine blessing by Rev. A. M. Patadil; singing of

the "Star Spangled Banner" by the audience; opening address by A. Calesisen; piano solo remarks by F. B. S. Un; welcome ad- by Miss R. Losado; address by MRS. C. C. MORALES; duet by the Rio brothers; address on "Patronage of Filipino Business," by Francisco Antonio; singing of "Philippines, My Philippines," by the audience; address on "Labor" by Rufo C. Canete; "C arinosa," by Mrs. C. B. Sales; address on "Our Economic Proble

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SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 17 September 1934, Page 1

### **Women's Club Plans Events For Flag Day**

Several Leading Filipino Fraternal and Patriotic Societies to Assist In Elaborate Program Here

Leading Filipino patriotic and fraternal societies, including Mga Anak ng Bukid and the Caballeros de Dimas -- Alang, will participate here on October 30 in one of the most elaborate Filipino Flag Day celebrations ever held on the Pacific Coast.

This announcement was made last week by MRS. C. C. MORALES and Mrs. C. B. Sales, president and secretary, respectively, of the Filipino Women's club, which is sponsoring the event.

The Mga Anak ng Bukid, about 100 strong, will perform the impressive Flag ceremonial, and the Caballeros de Dimas-Alang will participate in the coronation of the "Pearl of the Orient Seas."

Committees to arrange for the various details of the program have been appointed by the Women's club. They are already actively at work.

The semi-final tabulation of votes in the "Pearl of the Orient Seas" popularity contest, which is being held by the Women's club in connection with the coming Filipino Flag Day observance, will be held in Foresters' hall next Friday night, Oct. 21.

The winner of the semi-final tabulation will be proclaimed "Miss Luzon," and will reign as queen over the festivities incident to a portrayal of a Luzon social night.

The final tabulation will take place on the evening of Oct. 13, in the auditorium of the Women's Civic Club.

Scores of out-of-town people have been invited to attend the semifinal tabulation next Friday night and indications point to the attendance of a vast crowd.

The young ladies participating in the popularity contest are Misses Annie Avilla, Salinas; Rosario Montayre, Escondido; Mary Looy, Gonzales; Maria Briones, Watsonville, and Manuela Alita, Sanger.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 5 November 1934, Page 1

**Beautiful Exercises Held Here In Honor Of Philippines Flag**  
Eventful History of Emblem and Stories Of Sacrifices Of Filipino Heros Are  
Vividly Told Audience

The eventful history of the Philippines and the struggles of the islands's heroes and martyrs were vividly portrayed in songs, speeches and flag and coronation ceremonials last Monday night in the state armory auditorium by the Mga Anak ng Bukid and the Cabelleros de Dimas-Alang, at the Flag Day exercises of the Filipino Women's club.

State settings and decorations were remindful of the typical Philippine night, with members of the Women's club becomingly attired in Filipino costumes.

Mrs. C. B. Sales, secretary, acting as mistress of ceremonies, delivered the keynote address of the occasion. She reminded her Filipino fellow countrymen of their duties to the homeland.

MRS. C. C. MORALES, president, was warmly applauded as she appealed to every Filipino to forget sectional differences and advised them to work for unity an understanding.

**COLORFUL CEREMONIAL**

Coronation of Miss Annie Avila as "Mrs. Philippines" of the 1934 Flag Day celebration, Miss Rosie Antonio as "Miss Luzon," Miss Rosario Montayre as "Miss Vizayas," and Miss Mary Looy as "Miss Mindano" was very colorful.

The coronation ceremonial was conducted by F. Inocencio, Los Angeles, grand master of the Cabelleros de Dimas-Alang. Royal guests were Antonio Caletizen, J. B. Sempeyan, Leon de Asiz, F. Marates, F. S. Sun and J. F. Casa.

B. R. Losada very ably performed the part of Lord Chamberlain.

**OUTSTANDING ATTRACTION**

The outstanding patriotic attraction of the evening was the flag ceremony staged by the Mga Anak Ng Bukid, Inc. H. G. Asarcon, national commander of the organization assisted by Phil Barreras, B. C. Taclay and Eugenio Felix, directed the beautiful rites. More than 50 members of the society participated.

E. P. Deado, assistant instructor of the Caballeros de Dinas-Alang, gave a very interesting history of the evolution of the Philippines flag, while Miss Maria de Guzman of Watsonville gave a beautiful recitation in the Tagalog language, significant of the occasion.

**tABLE ADDRESSES**

F. Inocencio, guest of honor, gave a brief address on "Filipino Duties in Foreign Lands."

Luis Agudo, editor of the Mail lauded the Women's club for the splendid program. He said every number on the program carried a message for every Filipino.

Mrs. Mary Celetizen of Solodad rendered a vocal solo charmingly in the Tagalog language.

Mrs. J. B. Sempayan of Castroville was also warmly applauded for her vocal selection.

#### ARTISTIC NATIVE DANCE

The Carinoza number, Filipino typical dance, was artistically and gracefully performed by Mrs. Mary Culala, Miss Christine Selor, Fred Yurong and "Pepito." The dance was beautifully rendered.

An audience that filled the huge state armory auditorium to capacity witnessed the exercises. Music was furnished by the Akeanon orchestra of Watsonville and Cifra's orchestra of Salinas.

#### ENTITLED TO CREDIT

Officers of the Filipino Women's club, which sponsored this most elaborate Flag Day program ever stated outside the Philippines are: MRS. C. C. MORALES, president; Mrs. M. S. Civil, vice-president; Mrs. Mary Caletisen, treasurer; Mrs. J. B. Sempayan, assistant treasurer; Mrs. C. B. Sales, secretary, and Mrs. A. P. Borja, assistant secretary.

To them is due the greater share of the credit for the great success of the program.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 24 December 1934, Page 1

### **Anniversary Of Death Of Jose Rizal To Be Observed By Salinas Filipinos**

Patriotic Program Will Be Presented In Methodist Church On Evening Of Dec. 29th

Filipinos of the Salinas valley, under the auspices of the Filipino College Club of Salinas, are being invited to attend a musicale and literary program to be given in the First Methodist church, Lincoln avenue and East San Luis street, on Saturday evening, Dec, 29, in observance of the 38th anniversary of the martyrdom of Dr. Jose Rizal, Filipino patriot. The program will open at 8 o'clock. Laureto A. Lagpacan will act as chairman. The tentative program follows:

Invocation- Rev. Ambrosio M. Patacsil, Filipino Community church.

Proclamation and coronation of the Rizal Day Queen of Salinas Valley Filipinos.

Overture- Cifra orchestra.

Introductory remarks- Chairman.

"The Life of Rizal"- Valentin Arellano.

Accordion solo- Miss Annie Avilla.

Declamation, Rizal's "My Last Farewell"- Raymundo Camcam.

Selection- Cifra orchestra.

"Famous Words of Rizal"- Andres Cruz.

Chalk Talk Stunt- Roque G. Palalay.

Address by guest of honor- Max Watson, adult probation officer of Santa Clara county.

Vocal solo- Salvador Soria.

Closing remarks- A. P. Borja and MRS. C. C. MORALES.

Songs- "My Country" and "Philippines, my Philippines."

Benediction- Rev. Ambrosio M. Patacsil.

The observance will be a purely local affair. Whatever success it achieves will be to the credit of Salinas valley Filipinos.

The queen will be selected by a committee on the basis of character, educational attainments and beauty.

During Raymundo Camcam's recital of Rizal's "My Last Farewell" the jail in which the patriot wrote the poem will be shown. The declaimer will be attired in old-fashioned Filipino costume.

Palalay, who will stage the Chalk Talk, was the first Filipino fine arts student in the San Jose State Teacher's college.

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SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, Monday, 8 January 1935, Page 2

### **Stars And Roses (8jan35)**

By Alex L. Fabros

(Salinas Junior College)

As the year 1933 fades away into the dark abyss of oblivion, the uppermost resolution that came to my mind was to negotiate men and women to some of the vacant niches in the spacious Hall of Fame. These "Stars and Roses" were singled out from a thick crowd because, according to my faulty estimation, they have at least sacrificed or contributed something worthwhile remembering to the happiness and welfare of the Filipino Community in Salinas Valley.

The following are my nominees:

Mr. Luis Agudo the unsung hero. He is the "brain-trust" of the local Filipino Community...legal, spiritual, political, social and educational uplifter, promoter and leader of his race...great organizer...public tongue...spell-binding orator. His life and precious moments solely dedicated not to selfish aggrandizement but to the welfare and good of his people is worthy to emulate.

Mr. Rufo Canete... Man whose calibre as a peaceful strike leader is comparable to none...devoting most of his time for the betterment of his countrymen's wages...square-dealer and perchance one of the most popular contractors in the state.

Mrs. C. B. Sales... Energetic F. W. C. Secretary... With the commendable collaboration of editor Agudo, the recent Rizal Day celebration was made possible as the most successful ever held in Salinas or elsewhere.

MRS. C. C. MORALES... Able and never-to-give up president of the active F. W. C... Her untiring efforts placed her club among the respected.

Mr. And Mrs. J. B. Sampayan... And outstanding ambidextrous pair of Christian Fellowship leaders.

Mr. Delfin Cruz... The most misunderstood gentleman... Live-wire and very shrewd advertising manager of the "Mail."

Miss Rosie Antonio... Possessor of captivating smiles, a pair of dimpled "rosie" cheeks, and alluring eyes that cause unbearable pangs of anguish in many men's hearts.

Mr. F. Lomongo... Lone survivor of the disbanded "Three Musketeers"... His weakness rests on skirts.

Mr. Cayo Santiago... Morong's pet and most popular gentleman.

Mr. Antonio Caletisen... Contractors' master mind.

Mr. Luis Patacsil... Fearless expounder of truth and a brilliant orator, too.

Mr. Raymond Camcam... Budding crooner.

Mr. Faustino Blanco... Embryo businessman and restaurateur... Bachelor and philanthropist.

Mr. Castor Aquino... Jovial and "fattie"... Still wandering in the turbulent sea of l-o-v-e.

Miss Hattie Calub... Vivacious "lily of the valley."

Miss Mary Looy... Very diminutive beauty and Muse of Poetry (Talokatik ni Daliang to me).

Mr. Rock Lavarias... Tennis champion, sleek dancer, and pessimistic philosopher.

Mr. P. Tangonan... Just coming out from obscurity to the sunshine of popularity.

Mr. Gregorio Aquino... Tongue-tied, yet very able leader.

Miss Mary Montayre... Queen of Charity.

Mr. V. C. Gonzales... Expert in debts and credits intricacies of the commercial world.

Mr. Laureto Lagpacan... Bright student and bookshelf ransacker.

Mr. Felipe Arcellano... Silent but intelligent.

Mr. Salvador Soria... A lover and a dreamer.

Rev. Juan Callao... Spiritualist... His presence in our midst is really a blessing.

Miss Consuelo Antonio... Connie like her fascinating sis, she is the sweet apple of many an eye.

Mr. P. M. Olivete... The Philippines needs his type... A silver-tongued politician.

Mr. Mariano Lozares -El barbero, good mixer.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 11 February 1935, Page 1

### **Pastor A. M. Patacsil Is Granted Vacation By Fellowship Board**

Highly Interesting Meeting Is Held By Leaders of Religious Activities In Campus and in Cities

At a meeting of the administrative board of the Salinas Filipino Christian Fellowship, held last tuesday evening in the United Presbyterian Church, it was unanimously decided to ask Dr. Clyde Smith of San Francisco, in charge of Filipino Christian missionary work in California, to grant pastor Ambrosio M. Patacsil a leave of absence for five Sundays, sometime in June. This is in order that the pastor may be enabled to take graduate work in sociology in the University of Wyoming.

#### Committees Named

The motion to grant Pastor Patacsil the leave of absence was presented by J. B. Sampayan and was responded by G. S. Javier.

The meeting discussed matters pertaining to the erection of the chapel for the Filipino Christian Fellowship. Peter S. Clemente, Adrian Borja, and J. B. Sampayan were appointed as a committee to investigate and report.

Another committee to plan and conduct a drive for finances to construct a church was appointed, this consists of Adrian Borja, C. B. Sales, G. D. Javier, Peter Clemente, C. C. MORALES and Venerando C. Gonzales.

Pastor Patacsil submitted a report covering the month of February. It proved both interesting and instructive. During the month, besides conducting weekly church services in Salinas, attended by 160 worshippers, he visited Filipino labor camps and conducted religious services that were attended by 305 persons.

Besides, he visited seven families, made three hospital visits and made four extended trips in the interests of religion. One of the visits was to Fresno, one to Stockton and two to San Francisco.

#### New Secretary

The pastor reported that Filipinos in the labor camps are more responsive to the call of the gospel than those reading in cities.

At the same meeting Venerando C. Gonzales was elected secretary of the administrative head to the unexpired term of Lail Agudo, who is now residing in Guadalupe.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 11 February 1935, Page 4

### **Answer To Self-Styled Grammarian**

By Laureto A. Lagpacan

In the January 21 issue of The Philippines Mail, there was published "Budding Critique Criticized" by Miguel Ignacio. It tried to show that I, as the author of the "Critique on Filipino Writers," was violating my advice to writers of using plain, simple English.

If one studies the important points in the "Critique" published in the January 14 issue of the Mail, they would, at least, find the following: That Filipino writers, if they want the average reader to understand them, should write in simple and plain English; that we, Filipinos, have the bad habit of using high sounding words, which destroy the meaning of our writing; and that the primary function of writing being to inform, the use of hard words would defeat this purpose.

Mr. Ignacio, instead of meeting honestly and squarely these issues, has unfortunately styled himself as an English grammarian in his attempt to show the grammatical errors in the "Critique." The well-informed writer knows very well that, with the lack of uniformity in the use of English among good writers and speakers, one who tries a grammatical criticism of this or that article makes himself foolish and funny.

I wish to state that I have learned by the many kind and frank criticisms of my friends, and am always willing to listen to the words of others, no matter what their position in life may be. But, in so far as the grammatical attacks of Mr. Ignacio are of very little or no importance, useless, and erroneous due to his ignorance of English, together with its many variations, I can not accept them as constructive and wise.

I admit, however, that as far as Mr. Ignacio has shown that he is not the "yes" and "no" type of reader but the critical, his example sounds good; and we ought to follow him.

It is the main aim of this article to prove that Mr. Ignacio, because of ignorance, has attempted a detailed, but useless and incorrect, analysis of the grammar of the "Critique."

But, before proving this, let me quote the letters and the personal congratulations of friends, as well as non-friends. I had never asked them for an opinion on my articles.

From Luis Q. Sarmiento, member of the Missouri and Federal bars, editor of the Filipino Freeman, noted for its simple and plain but understandable use of English comes the following: "I wish to congratulate you for the article on the use of plain and simple English. At last I found a Filipino who agrees with me along these lines.....would help me greatly if you should contribute regularity to this publication".

Buena A.Lagpacan, my brother, formerly contributor to The Hollister Evening Free Lance while a student at San Benito county junior college, law student at Metropolitan University, Los Angeles, who to my mind, is better than any Filipino on the Pacific Coast in both the use of spoken and written English, says, "Well, I see you are playing the role of a legal commentator this time. I enjoyed reading your two roles. Your articles are worthy of The London Times. I like them, not because of family pride, but because they are truly readable without which the Mail would be an ire. This issue happens to be well edited. Outside of your well written articles and its militant editorials..."

Manuel M.Insigne, Philippines Free Press writer, who, to me, is the best Filipino journalist on the West Coast, told me this personally: "Laureto, I wish to tell you frankly that you are the best writer of The Philippines Mail. The sound is Galland of San Francisco."

Miss Helen Rillera, formerly solicitor of the John Swett junior high school journal, recently accepted member of the California Scholarship Society, although she is only a sophomore, expressed to me personally her appreciations for the "Critique." Miss Rillera, so far as I know, is the best Filipino girl journalism prospect in this country.

These compliments are more valuable to me than thousands of letters of congratulation, for I have high respect for the wisdom of the givers. They are, in my first list of the ten best Filipino journalists on the West Coast, topnotchers.

These Congratulations are not meant, to boast of myself, but I wish to be just in my treatment of anything by considering both sides of it. Mr. Ignacio has presented the unfavorable aspect of the controversy; it is only fair that I present the favorable.

(To be continued)

Last Rites for Helen Fruto

Mrs. Helen Fruto's last rites was conducted by Pastor Ambrosio Patacsil of Filipino Christian Fellowship at Muler's Mortuary, at 3:00 P. M. Friday, Feb.8,1935. The service was attended by her surviving husband, scores of Filipino friends, her father and mother, and a brother.

The Filipino Woman's club of California which was in charge of the ceremony of placing her remains in I. O. O. F. Cemetery, is given commendable credit in the demonstration of their noble purpose for all the needy regardless of race and creed.

Among the members of the Filipino Women's club who sang the last song at the graveside were Mrs. H.Civil, president of the club; MRS. C. C. MORALES, ex-president; Mrs. Magistrado; and Mrs. J. B. Sampayan, assistant treasurer of the club, and deaconess of the Filipino Christian Fellowship.

Musn't Kill Robins

Adolfo Bruss, Gonzales Filipino, was fined \$35 a few days ago for shooting robins along the Salinas river bottom lands. In addition his shotgun was ordered confiscated. He had killed three of the birds when arrested by a game warden. Robins are migratory birds, protected the year round by California game laws, because of their scarcity here and the desire to have them call often and propagate

A cracked distributor cap will allow dust, grease or other conductive material to collect and cause ignition trouble, according to the Emergency Road Service of the California State Automobile Assn.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 1 April 1935, Page 3

### **Cacas Camp Scene Of Jolly Festivity**

J. F. Cacas camp, near Salinas, friends Saturday, March 28. The occasion was the celebration of the first anniversary of the infant child, Gloria of Mr. And Mrs. P. M. Olivette. J. F. Cacas, A. L. Barnachia, C. B. Sales and MRS. C. C. MORALES are godfathers and godmothers of young Gloria.

A program of music and addresses, and a delicious dinner and refreshments were served.

Guests were Mrs. Nora L. Lozares, Mrs. B. R. Lozada; Mr. And Mrs. N. Caliva, Mr. And Mrs. Felipe B. Sun; Mr. And Mrs. F. Maratas; Mr. And Mrs. A. Geresano; Mr. And Mrs. J. B. Sampayan; Mr. And Mrs. P. M. Olivete; Mr. And Mrs. L. Melgarejo; Miss Judith Balsena; Miss Maria Looy; Miss Adela Gonzales; Mr. M. L. Lozares, Mr. A. P. Filomeno; Pastor A. M. Patacsil, Mr. F. Lomongo, Mrs. Manuel Mariano, Mr. A. L. Barnachia, Mr. J. F. Cacas and Miss Maria de Guzman, Mail's subscription solicitor.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 29 July 1935, Page 1

### **Baby Borja Is Christened**

The biggest crowd in months that has gathered at Foresters' hall was present last Sunday, July 21, the occasion being the christening of the daughter of Mr. And Mrs. Adrian P. Borja, Rosita Nava Borja.

The Borjas are one of the most ideal couples in California and are very popular among Salinas Filipinos, and they were hosts to nearly 300 people who made the party a success.

An elaborate dinner was tendered in the upper floor of the hall, where the guests enjoyed fully. A dance which lasted until deep into the night followed.

The godparents of the girl, Mr. And Mrs. CLEMENTE MORALES, were assistant host and hostess. MRS. MORALES, speaking for Filipino motherhood, expressed happiness and gratitude over being a godmother. In response, Mr. Borja thanked the crowd for attending the party.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 12 August 1935, Page 1

### **Mrs. C. C. Morales Is On Vacation**

MRS. C. C. MORALES, former president of the Filipino Women's Club of California, is on vacation in San Francisco. Two weeks ago MRS. MORALES was suddenly stricken by illness at her camp.

She will be in Salinas in time for the Mail's anniversary program on the 17th of this month.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 12 August 1935, Page 3

### **Behind The Screen**

By "EL GLEANER"

The meanest thing that has been done to the Screen Crew head, "El Gleaner" -he was refused a dance by "Miss Ideal" in the Mail's last public tabulation dance. I won't talk to you anymore, she said. The poor "El Gleaner" just smiles away.

While we are on this subject, Roque Lavarias and Christine Selor have not been seen together for a long time. Cerline de la Fena has some secrets to spill. A newcomer in Salinas Filipino society: Frances La Verre. O. My! Can she sing? Nita is still the subject of many doubts. Mary Looy will go domestic in the near future.

Maria de Guzman, did somebody write to you telling you not to give up your studies for anything else, and that you are beautiful and charming, and that he will miss you for a long time?

Sofia Fragozo, what is the meaning of that "subject of my affection" thing? Becky Santiago, who is this Oakland boy you used to include in your

"Who's Who?"

Helen Rillera, how can you be so charming as that?

All-Philippine girls nominated by "El Gleaner": Ceferina Agustin, Fresno, possessed of high spiritual ideals. Rosa Sarceda, Fresno State College, the only "real" Pinay on the coast.

Adela Suguitan, San Francisco, just fresh from high school.

Among the most ideal couples: Mr and Mrs. C. B. Sales, Salinas; Mr. And Mrs. Leopoldo Melgardjo, Watsonville; Mr. And Mrs. Honorio Della, late of Santa Maria, now of Salinas; Mr. And Mrs. J. B. Sampayan, Soledad; Mr. Adn Mrs. A.Celetise, Gonzales; Mr. And Mrs. Manuel Tamayo, Porterville; Mr. And Mrs. Frank Maratas, Salinas; Mr. And Mrs. Rufo C. Canete; Mr. And MRS. C. C. MORALES, Mr. And Mrs. Felipe B. Sun.

While resting behind the screen, El Gleaner was frightened by some unbecoming footsteps. To his surprise, he saw Florence Bullock playing the role of a purliner. In fact she was at the time. I want my pictures to be taken out from there, she exclaimed, as an excuse.

The greatest rivals of the generation: Rev. Ambrosio Pataceil and newspaperman Manuel Insigne. Perhaps it will be cut short for the newspaperman is always talking life as uninteresting.

You like it or not, Mrs. Gene Sales' favorite drink is alka-seltzer.

The Mugs of the Valley: Laureto Lagpacan, Aggie F. Cruz, Andy R. Cruz and Miss Fanie Gutierrez.

This reminds me that Rosie Antonio is not now in love. Mary Montayre is still the Filipino Butterfly. Maria de Guzman will be missed by "El Gleaner" for a long time. Helen Saicawalo is happy at home. Annie Avilla can still "go to town."

Supposed to be the hangout of the Intellectuals, there was found necking in the Mail's office. Who could it be? You ask me. Julian Gonzales, possessor of some sort of Romeous ability, and Frances La Vere, very recommendable at looks, are the poor victims.

Word from San Francisco states that Andy Cruz is having success in subduing some of the fair sex. No wonder he sleeps without pajamas. Tak. Tak. Tak.

SOURCE: The Mail-Advertiser, 9 October 1935, Page 6

### **Mrs. Paulina Morales Is Successfully Operated On At St. Luke's Hospital, S. F.**

Popular Patient Receives Offers Of Blood For Transfusion From Many Friends; Expected Home In Few Weeks

MRS. PAULINA MORALES, wife of CLEMENTE C. MORALES, who was successfully operated on last week for intestinal disorder at the St. Luke's hospital in San Francisco, is reported doing fine, but that she is expected to stay in the hospital for some more weeks in order for her to fully recuperate. MRS. MORALES has been in San Francisco for a few months now.

The offices of the Mail-Advertiser have been for the last few days flooded with inquiries concerning the present condition of MRS. MORALES. It is happily known that she has gone through her operation without any mishap and friends are assured that she is going on the road to complete recovery. Friends of the popular patient are assured that nothing should be the cause of their fears, it is reported from the MORALES home.

Acknowledge Good Words

The Mail-Advertiser gratefully acknowledges the numerous expressions of good wishes for MRS. MORALES' immediate recovery. Those who are unable to reach the home of MRS. MORALES in Salinas, their desire to know her condition day by day, will be assisted by this newspaper. Meantime, it is expected that MRS. MORALES will soon recover, barring other complications that might develop.

Blood Transfusions

MRS. MORALES has gone through numerous blood transfusions before she was operated on. Scores of persons offering their blood to the popular community leader have been disappointed as they were turned down one by one by the attending physician. Only a few selected persons with the same grade of blood as that of MRS. MORALES were permitted to offer their blood. Otherwise, many have volunteered to offer their blood to the former president of the Salinas Filipino women's club.

#### Flow Of Visitors

At the hospital in San Francisco, the patient's room is transformed into a veritable garden of flowers. The flow of visitors is almost unending. Various clubs and societies both in Salinas and in the bay cities have sent their delegations to visit the sick society leader. It is now expected that it would only be a question of a few weeks before MRS. MORALES would soon be discharged from the hospital in San Francisco.

SOURCE: Mail Advertiser, 16 October 1935, Page 1

#### **Mrs. Morales Is Now Convalescing**

MRS. C. C. MORALES, popular woman-leader among Filipinos in Salinas, who has been sick in a hospital in San Francisco, is said to be on the way to complete recovery. She is convalescing in the house of a friend in San Francisco.

MRS. MORALES was recently operated on for stomach disorder that afflicted her for many years. She wishes, through the Mail-Advertiser, to thank all her friends and acquaintances who remembered her in her illness. Grateful mention is made by her of the Filipino woman's club in Salinas, and the many organizations too numerous to record here.

In behalf of MRS. MORALES, The Mail-Advertiser wishes to thank all those who have prayed and wished MRS. MORALES' recovery.

SOURCE: Mail Advertiser, 16 October, 1935, Page 5

#### **Labor Contractors' Directory**

R. Adlao      Honorio-Delatore  
Salinas Salinas  
Phone 895      Phone 1-R-1

M. Ancheta      F. Maratas  
Chualar      Salinas  
Phone 9-R-3

F. Aparrillo      C. C. MORALES  
Salinas Salinas

Phone 1003 Phone 1071

Leon de Asis Mosquito Bros.  
Salinas Salinas  
Phone 1816 Phone 22-R-11

A. Areja A. S. Nolasco  
Soledad Salinas  
Phone 12-F-44 Phone 11-R-3

Arellano-Hucom L. B. Paler  
Salinas Salinas  
Phone 11-R-4 Phone 1991

P. Bandalan Loy Palma  
Salinas Salinas  
Phone 29-R-22 Phone 2430

A. L. Barnachia B. C. Raminto  
Salinas Salinas  
Phone 10-J-1

Balancad-Teneza F. Ramos  
Salinas Salinas  
Phone 1935 Phone 11-J-3

AD. P. Borja Cayo C. Santiago  
Salinas Salinas  
Phone 806-J Phone 11-R-3

J. F. Cacas J. B. Sampayan  
Salinas Gonzales  
Phone 16-R-3 Phone 9-F-31

Tom Cacatian R. B. Sampayan  
Salinas Gonzales  
Phone 1589 Phone 9-F-31

A. H. Calatisen D. Somera  
Soledad Soledad  
Phone 3-Y-4

T. C. Calub Sotelo-Velasco  
Gonzales Salinas  
Phone Chualar 14-Y-14

P. S. Clemente Sun & Laurente  
Gonzales Salinas  
Phone c-o 89-W Phone 11-R-11 & 1-R-13

I. Fortugaliza P. M. Olivete  
Spreckels Salinas  
Phone c-o 9-R-4

M. G. Layugan V. Vitacion  
Castroville Phone 1-R-2  
Phone 52 Salinas

SOURCE: The Mail-Advertiser, 2 December 1935, Page 1

### **Sampayan Given Farewell Party By C. C. Morales**

Mr. And MRS. C. C. MORALES gave a farewell party at their camp in honor of their compadre, Fortunato Sampayan, who left for the Philippines, Friday, November 29, on board S. S. Hoover.

The main features of the party was a delicious dinner and dancing. A short program ensued after dinner, in which MRS. C. C. MORALES and M. M. Insigne gave inspirational talks to those who are going home as well as those who are left behind.

Among the guests were the Alcantara family, Madamba family, Suguitan family, Sampayan family, Cacas family, and Pastor Ambrosio M. Pataesil.

SOURCE: The Mail-Advertiser, 18 November 1935, Page 1

### **The Salinas Filipinos Fete Inauguration Of P. I. Commonwealth**

To Love of Country Filipinos Pledge Themselves In Celebration In Honor of Commonwealth

M. Quezon Is First President

All Filipinos Are Unanimous In Desire To Foster Goodwill and Friendship Among Nations of World

On Nov. 15 consecrating themselves in the inauguration of the Philippines Commonwealth, the Salinas Filipinos and those from nearby clients celebrated the birth of their country.

Newspaperman Angeles Leads

On Thursday evening, November 14, three hours after hearing over KGO station the proclamation of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt of the United States setting forth the birth of a Philippine nation as read by Secretary of War George Dern, representing the President; the oath of office of President Manuel L. Quezon; Vice-president Sergio Osmena, and the oath of office of the Assemblymen; and the inaugural address of Manuel L. Quezon, first president of the Philippines, led by Mr. Mariano Angeles of The Mail-Advertiser, a caravan of well-lighted automobiles made a long procession along the streets of Salinas, stopping at Lake street where they gathered in countless numbers to render a short program, a tribute of gratitude.

Outstanding speakers of the evening were Pastor Ambrosio M. Patacsil and former managing editor of The Mail-Advertiser, Mr. Manuel M. Insigne, who explained in detail what the Philippine Commonwealth means to Filipinos

FILIPINO COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

At 6 A. M, Nov. 15, a gun salute and flourishes opened the day particularly for the Salinas Filipinos. At noon a 10-gun salute fired from the Salinas Armory by the 40th Tank Company, California National Guard, gave an impetus to all Filipinos here. Literary and musical program was rendered in the afternoon, as follows: Bartolome R. Lozado, master of ceremonies; overture, Filipino band; invocation, Pastor Ambrosio, Patacsil; short talk, Cosme (DNL) ; vocal solo, Mrs. Mary (DNL) ; short talk, P. M. Olivete; short talk, Atty. Ray Shelloe; selection, Filipino band; address, Capt. Frank Heple, California National Guard, guest of honor; vocal solo, Mrs. Canete; closing address, J. B. (DNL) ; National Anthem, Filipino Band.

The program was concluded by a dance and athletics.

#### COMMONWEALTH CLUB FETES

On the evening of Nov. 15 The Philippine Commonwealth Club of Salinas presented a program and ball at Salinas Woman's Club auditorium. The program concluded of an overture by the Five (DNL) ; introductory remarks, Januario B. Sampayan; welcome address, Felipe B. Sun; vocal solo, Mrs. J. B. Sampayan; address, Hon. C. C. (DNL) ; piano solo, Mrs. Bartolome R. Lozada; message Mayor V. J. Barlogio; Carinosa, Miss Cristine Selor, Mrs. Mamie Culala, Celmente C. MORALES, Flaviano S. Maratas; closing remarks, Leo Escalante; selection, Five Serenaders.

#### ACTIVITIES SUMMARIZED

Summing up all the activities of Salinas Filipinos in the celebration of the inauguration of the Philippines Commonwealth, Nov. 15, presages a reign of mutual understanding and cooperation among all nationalities. Credit is due to the leadership of newspaperman Mariano B. Angeles, labor contractor Januario B. Sampayan, business man Bartolome R. Lozada, and (DNL) for radio services, which made all announcing along streets of Salinas clearly audible.

Queen Annie Avilla, "Miss Cooperation" and one of the leading description drive contestants of The Mail-Advertiser, is heroine of the day, having sold the most number of ribbons bearing "Celebration of the Philippines Commonwealth."

SOURCE: The Mail Advertiser, October 30, 1935, Page 1

### **Paulina Morales, Beloved Leader, Is Back Home**

SAN FRANCISCO, Monday, Oct. 28. -- MRS. PAULINA MORALES, who has been sick here for several months, is making preparations to go back to Salinas to resume her civic duties in the Filipino community there.

#### **NEWS SPREADS**

News of the home-coming of Mrs. Paulina MORALES, beloved leader of the Filipinos, spread like wildfire among her people in the valley.

The Mail-Advertiser, as usual, received messages of MRS. MORALES condition while she was confined in a San Francisco hospital and relayed these messages to Filipinos in both Salinas and Pajaro valleys.

#### **HEAVY LOAD LIFTED**

Messages carrying news of MRS. MORALES home-coming was like a heavy load lifted from the hearts of her countrymen. For several months, the Filipinos in this section and elsewhere have been in constant fear for MRS. MORALES health. A general rejoicing gripped the Filipino community upon receiving the news that their beloved leader was at last out of danger and that she was coming home after three months of absence.

#### **WELCOME HOME**

Again, The Mail-Advertiser takes this opportunity in thanking the Filipino community for its loyalty and devotion to the popular leader. This newspaper yields its place to one in being first to welcome the beloved leader of the Filipino people.

Welcome and long life to Mrs. Pauline MORALES!

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SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 15 June 1936, Page 1

### **Filipino Heads Of Rodeo Body Hold Meeting**

Leaders Representatives of All Classes Of Filipinos On Committee

At a caucus meeting of various prominent Filipino Community leaders it was unanimously agreed upon that Filipinos should participate in the annual Salinas, California Rodeo Festival, July 16-19, this year. Such course of action is a step forward in bringing harmonious social relations between Americans and Filipinos, and other nationalities. The era of mutual understanding and cooperation will be the AVENUE of goodwill toward one another.

Now that COMMUNITY SPIRIT is kindled into action, it is urged that every Filipino, wherever he is, must be generous in lending a helping hand to this wonderful community movement.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

As personally reported by John F. Cacas, one of the outstanding community leaders of Salinas, the members of the executive committee who will undertake and lead the Filipino Community's participation in the COLMO DEL RODEO this year to a success are: C. C. MORALES, chairman; B. R. Losada, businessman and president, Labor Supply Assn, Inc, J. B. Sampayan, labor contractor; F. B. Sun, labor contractor and president of the Philippine Commonwealth Club; Modesto (DNL) , labor contractor; Antonio (DNL) , oldest labor contractor; Angel (DNL) , labor contractor; J. F. Cacas, labor contractor, and G. D. Javiar, worshipful master of the Rizal Lodge No. 3, C. D. A, Inc.

#### LABOR CONTRACTORS

However, in order that the executive committee is enabled to carry out the community movement of participation in the Colmo del Rodeo this year successfully, the prominent leaders in caucus, sought the cooperation of every Filipino labor contractor having charge of men upon whom it is incumbent to see that their respective camps shall contribute sufficient to the fund to be built up to finance and defray the expenses to be incurred in making a real float worthy of participating in the pageant of floats; one that will give color to the Colmo del Rodeo in Salinas this year. The amount so collected from every Filipino must be turned over to any of the members of the executive committee before mentioned.

#### G. S. D. SOLICITORS

As previously brought to the attention of the public-the first four G. S. D. Solicitors of The Philippines Mail, or those winning the first four highest title honors, "Miss Filipino Commonwealth," first; "Miss Luzon," second; "Miss Visayas," third, and "Miss Mindanao" fourth, will be guests of honor at the Rizal Lodge No. 3, C. D. A, Inc, barbecue festival, July 12, at the famous ELTORO PARK of Monterey County, preparatory to having a seat each on the Filipino Community Float participation in the Salinas Rodeo floats in the pageant, July 16-19, as the chosen ideal Filipino Beauties this year.

#### AID IS URGED

Hence, it is fitting and proper that community spirit deeps on burning the enthusiasm of putting the participation of the Filipino Community in the California Rodeo Festival markedly successful to the admiration and good name of all Filipinos at home and abroad.

So where we are! Be generous in joining with the community spirit movement! Share generously with it morally and financially and have the participation in the Salinas California Rodeo festival your triumph, our triumph, and Filipino triumph!

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 15 June 1936, Page 1

### **Caravan Festival**

Sunday, June 14, is memorable to the members of the Club. As the caravans started on their visit to the various camps, those taking part in the pilgrimage came to feel and visualize the many lessons learned from the manner in which the members treated their guests.

Resuming all activities of the Philippine Commonwealth Club of Salinas under the presidency of Filipe B. Sun, prominent labor contractor, it is safe to state that the organization deserves the credit of engendering, advancing, and disseminating social relationships of Filipinos in Salinas valley. In their doings as far as social conditions of Filipinos is concerned the Club aims to develop mutual understanding and cooperation among the many elements in the valley.

#### **THE CARAVANS**

At noon the caravans had their "soup and salad" at the labor camp at President Sun. The guests were served by the personal management and admirable service of the hostess, Mrs. Ester B. Sun. After the Chinese soup prepared by the hostess and salad prepared by Governor Brazil, the grey hair of the "gang" were all served to the many guests, picture taking was one of the main features of the day.

As 4 o'clock was approaching, the caravans drove to Spreckels and stopped at the labor camp of J. B. Sampayan, president of the Labor Supply Assn. Of Monterey County, Inc. There the guests were served with "sea foods" prepared by Mrs. Maxima B. Sampayan. After the course impromptu games and familiar Filipino dancing were the home-like pleasure of guests and many others.

When everybody felt tired and exhausted, again they moved to the labor camp of CLEMENTE C. MORALES, prominent labor contractor and newly-exalted chairman of the executive directors who will be responsible for putting into shape the participation of the Filipino Community in the California Rodeo Festival this year in Salinas. At 6:30 o'clock the party was served with chicken dinner prepared by Mrs. Paulina C. MORALES, president of the Filipino Women's Club of California, Salinas. After a few minutes' rest from the heavy dinner, the caravans moved to the labor camp of Flaviano Maratas, prominent labor contractor and vice-president of the Associated Groceries. At this last spot of the caravan party dancing was indulged in by the guests who were served with desert of "honey-dew, ice cream and punch."

After the dessert was served, Pastor Ambrosio Patacsil announced that though the Filipino Church and Center is not yet finished, one of the rooms is now in shape, ready to accommodate the public. Then President Sun spoke eloquently on his appreciation and thankfulness of the peaceful and admirable goodwill engendered by the guests and members of the Philippine Commonwealth Club.

## OUTSTANDING GUESTS

While almost every Filipino husband, wife and child were guests of the party, mention is made of Mrs. Caletisen, who demonstrated herself as always the oldest Filipino mother of Salina, and Mrs. B. R. Lozada, who is second oldest mother of the valley. Other families present were: Mr. And Mrs. Fausto Pagasian and their Jr, and sister, Miss Beatrice Romero, Mail's G. S. D. Solicitor; Mr. And Mrs. C. B. Sales, Mr. And Mrs. Madambe, Mr. And Mrs. N. Caliva, and several others which space does not permit to mention in this edition.

Mr. Benny Catill's Hawaiian Orchestra and Cifra's Orchestra furnished the music which the caravans enjoyed to the utmost. Reiterating, it seemed that everybody was admirably satisfied and all seemed reluctant to leave the kitchen hall of Mr. And Mrs. Maratas, the concluding spot of the party.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 22 June 1936, Page 4

### **To Whom It May Concern**

Mariano B. Masiloagan, City Editor of The Philippines Mail voluntarily left the staff at the close of business, Saturday, June 20. However, those whom it may concern are hereby notified that the management of this weekly is not responsible for any act which he might in the future do not compatible with newspaper ethics.

Management.

Ye powerful Princes Dayang Dayang prevented for the time being at least the succession of Data Rajah Muda, brother of the late Sultan and direct descendant of the Prophet Mohammed.

Supporters of it.

Among the "singles," F. Lomongo went home with ice cream on the tip of his nose like "Morgan Hill."

While Cacas got his limousine full of cras, Melendres got his pocket mouthful.

What put the caravan party into a realistic comparison was that one could contrast the lives of married couples with three single. The carinosa and the Hawaiian hula-hula are their favorites.

Mr. And MRS. MORALES gave a "break" for carinosa, Mr. Castill and Mr. Sales danced the hula-hulaa, depicting their Hawaiian experiences.

Among the real "singles" were Paul and Tom (pals) who almost never parted during the day, yet Tom was uneasy! He had two personally invited guests, but they never showed up. What an aching heart for Tom! My advice to you, my dear, is to date one at a time; will you dear?

Here is a warning to all G. S. D. Solicitors of The Philippines Mail G. S. D. Solicitors in California! You better canvass, line-up, and put y

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 22 June 1936, Page 3

### **Spotlights (22jun36)**

Hello folks! Yes... Sir! This is 'Miss Potterr" speaking through VCG station. Lend me your ears to your "receiver."

What a spree! The Philippine Commonwealth Club's caravan party, Sunday, June 14, was indeed an innovation on the social atmosphere of Filipinos in Salinas valley. Very memorable! Everybody seemed to hate leaving the last spot of the various\*-camps visited. It is a memory worth keeping!

#### Observations

With apology, I, "Miss Spotter," should breathe out!

Mrs. Maria Caletisen, oldest Salinas valley mother, serene, and always acting as such dear sweet mother of Filipinos. Mrs. B. R. Lozada, next in age of Salinas mothers, grateful and attentive to mothers' cares and attention. Yet she was in trouble about cracking crabs' shells.

Mrs. J. B. Sampayan carved her cataaloupe a la carte in an image.

MRS. C. C. MORALES, the "lady leader" commanded her "men" alright. Hurraah for he "lady captain!"

Mrs. C. B. Sales, the best dressed lady, always has her wise cracks and fancy dance. She cried when her brand-new sock was dotted with steaming Chinese soup.

Mrs. F. B. Sun's Chinese soup was so hot, so she stirred it with a ladle, keeping it 10 minutes waiting!

Mrs. F. Maratas "toasted 'Ice cream" in the oven. Freezing "refer to original document" Mrs. Maratas.

Mrs. Pagaaslan with her sister, "Miss Katipunan" graced the Maratas' square pool of the merrymakers.

Mrs. J. F. Cacas left her child at home so as to go with the caravan party, watchfully observing her husband so that no one might spray spots on the white suit.

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Here is a warning to all G. S. D. Solicitors of The Mail! G. S. D. Solicitors in California! You better canvass, line-up, and put your admirers, friends and the supporters on tip-toe! Mis Dolores M. Gonong, the Seattle pride of the Mails's G. S. D, is busy sending out campaign letters to her California friends, admirers, and supporterrrs. If plans will materialize, Miss Angeelica Floresca, 1935 "Miss Security" of the Philippines Mail, will accompany Miss Gonong and her sister, Miss Maxine M. Gonong, as bragging trusters of the campaign, besides several others from the far-off Seven Hills metropolis, Seattle, and scenic Oregon. I, "Miss Spotter," asked the Publissher of the Mail, but he is to reserved to comment on this matter. Gonzales is certain that on July 11 all Mail's G. S. D. Solicitors will be present to competer for teh title honors, "Miss Philippine Commonweathh," first; "Miss Luzon," second; "Miss Visayas." third; Wand "Miss Mindanao" fourth, who will be guests of honor at the Rizal Lodge NO. 3, C. D. A, Inc, barbecue-picnic festival, Sunday, July 12, preparatory to taking their respective seats on the Filipino Community Float in pageant with California Rodeo Festival in Salinas this year.

So, folks! Beforee it is too late to blame yourselves as to who will be the first four ideal and typical Filipino beauties who will represent Filipinos in California Rodeo floats in the pageantry, be certain that your favorite G. S. D. Solicitor is receiving your full support to help her occupy an exalted position to achieve the honors.

Miss Spotter would appreciate very much your cooperation in keeping the community spirit aflame this year to surpass all memorable achievements in the past and eventually place Filipino community on such a high plane that it will be admired by all.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 22 June 1936, Page 1

### **Filipinos Celebrate Rizal's Birthday By Rendering A Program And Dance At Salinas Women's Club Civic Auditorium**

For the first time in four years Salinas Filipinos celebrated Friday, June 19, Rizal's birthday, at Salinas Women's Club Civic Auditorium to keep abreast the ideals of the greatest man the Malayan race ever produced. Impromptu program was rendered and the rest of the evening was indulged in dancing.

The attendance of the memorable day were creams of Salinas Filipino families among whom were: Mr. And Mrs. F. Maratas, Mr. And Mrs. Felipe B. Sun, Mr. And MRS. C. C. MORALES, Mr. And Mrs. C. B. Sales, Mr. And Mrs. J. Avilla and their charming daughter, Miss Annie Avilla, a G. S. D, solicitor of The Philippines Mail, Mr. And Mrs. Joe Culala, Mr. Gil Gemoya and their daughter, Miss Julia Gemoya, a Mail's G. S. D. Solicitor, Miss Barbara Turner,

Mr. And Mrs. M. B. Masilongan, Mr. And Mrs. Peggy Tavaas, and many others whose names can not be recollected.

Music was furnished by the Filipino String Jazz Band constituted by Messrs. Vicente Corona, Pete Rible, D. Adapon, Freb Cabs, M. Bernales, J. Gomez and T. Bigcas.

Worshipful Master G. D. Javier of Rizal Lodge No. 3, C. D. A, Inc, was the floor manager of the evening.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 29 June 1936, Page

### **Local Leaders Hold Caucus At Lozada Home**

Take Notice and Back the Movement Which Will Help You

In a caucus held Friday evening June 26 at the home of Mr. And Mrs. B. R. Lozada, community leaders of Salinas valley, an earnest effort to push the Filipino Community Church and Center to completion at the earliest date possible was made. It was unanimously agreed that steps be taken to see that the remainder of the building now under construction be given our entirely on a contract basis.

By following such course of action there will be more enthusiasm and spirit of cooperation in securing donations from among the filipino citizenry and their friends. Interested community leaders desirous to have the church and center completely finished are generous and willing to give such guarantees as necessary without involving the lot on which the building stands.

For this civic community movement, credit is given to Messrs. B. R. Lozada, businessman of Salinas; Johny F. Cacas, vice-president, Labor supply Assn, J. B. Sampayan, president, Labor Supply Assn, C. C. MORALES, chairman, Filipino Community Participation in the California Rodeo Festival, Salinas; F. Maratas, vice-president, Association Groceries, and Pastor M. Patacsil of the Filipino Christian Fellowship, Salinas.

The caucus was presided over by Dr. Kilpatrick of Gilroy Presbyterian Church, assisted by Mr. K. Gordon.

After the caucus, delicious sandwiches, tea and coffee were served by Mrs. B. R. Lozada, who entertained the guests in a most motherly way, which was greatly appreciated by those in attendance.

Mrs. J. B. Sampayan, while a guest of the occasion, rendered assistance in the preparation of the table.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 20 July 1936, Page 1

### **Filipino Float Big Triumph In Rodeo Parade**

Chairman C. C. MORALES Is Praised For Creditable Efforts

The Filipino float participating in the California Rodeo floats pageantry, Saturday night, July 18, was a unique display on the part of the Filipino community of Salinas. The presentable make-up of the float and the typical

Filipino beauties led by Miss Maria de Guzman, 1935 Miss Philippines Mail, sitting on the float as representatives of the Filipino community, were generous in their praises on the creditable efforts of Mr. C. C. MORALES, chairman of the Filipino Executive Committee participating in helping make the California Rodeo Festival the best ever staged in California.

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SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 14 February 1937, Page 2

### **Spotlights (14feb37)**

Seeing is what I calls believing Imagine my bellyache when I went to L. A. Two weeks ago to attend a supposedly crowd-breaking banquet under the auspices of a newly-organized and all-encompassing society at the famous Breakfast Club rendezvous when only 17 (one Mexican) turned out to gobble up the 200 plates reserved.

Among those present were: Editor Quianio, seen for the first time all dolled up; Quevedo, who is known and feared in Little Manila for his fearlessness in exposing rackets, dressed to dill; Antonio Gonzales, prepared to deliver his extemporaneous but polished address, mute as a clam; and Samson, who is said to have drained his pockets for the occasion in the sum of \$150. Spoiling my dinner, Samson remarked in this wise; "I'm really disappointed-I am ASHAMED! You call this a big affair? Look how it turned out to be. I believe there is something wrong in our leadership."

Spokesman Dino was there, as a matter of course. His trimmed and dyed moustache all bristle at what Mr. Samson said.

At any rate, when the Pinoy papers in L. A. Are off the press, mark my word, the occasion will be magnified as usual to the Nth degree.

Mad as a hungry bull loose in a China shop and breathing flames. Perfecto D. Bandalam, the Sheik of the infamous hooligans known as the Unholy Group of Salinas, is now busy preparing charge after charge against his best friend, Nanoy Lozares, the peripatetic Sultan.

A promise among the Unholy Group is a sacred now; and failure to honor a given word would mean either one or two of the following punishments: sleeping in cracked ice; hanging on a limb upside-down in the open air any frosty evening; pulling the tongue three yards out of its socket; swallowing broken glass or feeding his members every day for 365 days of the year; and teaching them the twelve commandments of the Unholies every day.

To evade this last punishment, Clements MORALES, the Pundit, offered to defend the Sultan. He is now scanning the dusty volumes of the Unholy Group gathering arguments on behalf of his client. Joe Culala, Dean of the Round Table, whose weakness is "falling on the line" if not on the fob got so mad at the action of Pundit MORALES that he at once aligned himself with Sheik Banadalan. It

seems the Dean has a standing ill-feeling with the Sultan. Beautiful girls offering to become the Sultana were caught weeping in the Sanctum Santorum of the Unholy Temple. But it seems the Sultan has no choice among them.

Many outsiders who are on the waiting list for membership in the Unholy Group have offered help in the Sultan's defense, but were courteously rejected. However, they are permitted to attend the forthcoming trail in one of the popular restaurants in town commencing at 8:00 Sunday evening. Trail arrangements are now being prepared by the hideous Lucifer of the Unholy Group. Vic Calderon and Vic Arts, the former Chamberlain and the latter Director of Tonsorial Fashion, were seen cutting capers on the roof of the Unholy Temple in a pre-celebration of the event. "We will get even with the Sultan this time," they said, as they sang and danced.

(Editor's note: This story, incomplete in its form, was smuggled to us by Mr. Spotter, who unfortunately is now being held for ransom by the fanatical Unholies. He cannot get out of the Unholy Temple because he was caught snooping in the incense room of the Temple. That room is sacred to the Unholy Group and only the Caliph, the spiritual adviser of the group, is allowed there. That's responsible for the sudden interruption of Mr. Spotter's Spotlights this week.)

The result of the Unholy Trial will be reported next issue in case I come out of this mysterious place alive. I am being fed more than I could hold in my stomach; but I'm not allowed to talk to any one. Pending trial, the Sultan is sleeping without pajamas in a bed of sand-paper. And I'm scared stiff at these weird and mysterious places; so please send the Philippine army over to rescue me, or you won't have any Spotter next week.

"Sultan" Lozares of the famous Unholies reports the following:

"I was fixing the barber sign post in front of my shop and what did I see but a group of outstanding community leaders having a stag party right on the sidewalk blocking pedestrians who were rushing to their daily toil.

"Perfecto D. Bandalan, the Sheik of the Unholy group, was busy uncorking a full pint of old Quaker and playing hero to the rest of the stags. That is, after Gran Poderoso, Sr, Cosme Brasil has opened the way, the truth and the "bottler of liquor. They drank to the health of every one.

"Then-as I said-Shiek followed with his best brand, whatever his brand is, I'll be hanged. So what? The third pint was contributed by Fortunato Lansang, another jolly good fellow. At first the merry gentlemen were kind of shy about the sparkling liquor, so being a good coach at such games, and like a good Friar -- never doing what I preach-I gave out a peremptory challenge within hearing of every stag. Said I:

" 'merry gentlemen of the brave Gabilians. You are at present under the shadow of the Unholy Temple of which I am Monarch. Will you drink to your

health or will you not? And if you won't I shall say you are ill of some disease I would hats to mention.'

"Every one jumped over his shadow and proved, by imbibing the last drop of the unholy pint, that none was sick of the sickness with which I was about to accuse them. And these merry gentlemen of the lettuce bowl were: C. B. Sales, Leon de ais, F. B. Sun, C. C. MORALES, F. M. Matatas, including the purveyors of the good and bonded whisky. So long folks!"

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 22 March 1937, Page 1

### **San Diego Is Salinas Visitor**

Greg S. San Diego, well known for his poems published in the Philippines Free Press, leading news-magazine for the Far East, was guest of honor at an informal dinner given by Mariano L. Lozares and CLEMENTE C. MORALES, last Saturday night at 39 Sausal street. Mr. San Diego is also a writer for the Philippines Mail, covering the Bay Cities.

Mr. San Diego is vacationing in the valley. Immediately upon arrival he was elected into the mysteries of the famous Unholy Group of Salinas. He is now the present chaplain of the society.

Among other guests were: Joe Culala, Vic Artez, Paul Ilagan, M. B. Anglese, M. B. Masilongan, D. F. Cruz, Benny Culala and Manuel M. Insigne.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 5 April 1937, Page 1

### **Mrs. Morales Is Fast Improving In Bay City**

Word received in the offices of this newspaper is to the effect that MRS. C. C. MORALES, the leader among Filipino women in the valley, is now fast convalescing in San Francisco. The Mail wishes her a fast recovery.

Death Valley was so named in 1849 when 18 of 30 gold seekers perished there.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 5 April 1937, Page 3

### **Emy Lao Observes Her Birthday In San Francisco**

Last Sunday, March 28, 1937, Mrs. Emy Lao of the bay city, observed her birthday at her home, 1006 Webster street. Many friends of Mrs. Lao from far and near answered her invitation.

A tender and delicious turkey dinner was served. It is said that Roman Allado, the cook, demonstrated his skill in making a salad that added satisfaction to all the guests.

Among those who attended were: the Suitan of the Unholy Group of Salinas, M. L. Lozares, and Mr. C. C. MORALES ranking member of the Filipino Labor Supply Association and prominent local labor contractor.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, April 19, 1937, Page 1

### **C. D. A. Ceremony Attracts Record Attendance**

Amidst pomp and ceremony symbolic of the early struggles for national freedom, the Rizal lodge of the Caballeos de Dimas Alang of Salinas inducted its newly elected officers for the fiscal year 1937, last Saturday evening at the Forester's hall. F. M. Arellano, newly-elected assistant secretary of the lodge, acted as master of ceremonies and E. R. Lineage was the installing officer. The first part of the program consisted of musical literary program and the second part was devoted to dancing and refreshments.

#### **LITERARY-MUSICAL**

Mr. F. Inocencio, grand master of the order delivered the principal speech. The other speakers were F. M. Arellano, who delivered the introductory address; Gabriel D. Javier, succeeding himself in the recent election, delivered the welcome address; and B. R. Losada and C. T. Alfafara contubuted their part in the program's addresses. Alfafara paid tribute to the memories of Bernaradino Lozares and Alejandro Alcantara, who in life were indefatigable and loyal members of the order.

Miss Maria de Guzman of Wastsonville recited the partrotic poem dedicated to the country and the musical numbers were rendered by miss Annie Avills who sang a solo, and Mrs. F. Pagacian another Master Arseio Arejo, Jr, better known as the Filipino Bobby Breen, rendered two song hits and Mrs. J. B. Sampayan had a suet with Mrs. B. R. Losada.

Popular music was furnished by the Raymundo's Five Rhythim Orchestra. The program commenced with an invocation pronounced by the chaplain of the Rizal lodge, L. Puyod dancing was indulged in until 1:00 O'clock in the morning and the gathering dispersed when the orchestra struck up the "Star Spangled Banner" and the "Philippines, My Philippines ", both national songs of America and the Philippines.

Newly elected officers and installation committee members were:

Installation committee: C. B. Sales, chairman; F. B. Sun, F. Maratas, F. Arellano, A. Areja, V. Namuco, J. B. Sampayan, J. F. Cacas.

Program committee: F. Arellano, chairman; J. B. Sampayan, F. Maratas, F. B. Sun, V. Namuco, J. Cacas, A. Areja, C. B. Sales.

C. D. A. 1937 officers: G. D. Javier, Worshipful master: C. B. Salesa, Senior Warden; V. Namuco, Junior Warden; F. Maratas, Prosecutor; L. Puyod, Chaplain; F. B. Sun, Tresurer, J. F. Cacas, Ass't Tresurer; A. O. Areja, Secretary; F. M. Arellano, Ass't Secretary; C. T. Alfara, Auditor; A. P. Filomeo, Investigator; A. H. Caletisen, Local Instructor; J. M. Sampayan, Deputy; A. L. Barnachia, Senior Steward; S. Canete, Jr. Steward; E. Tarunior Deacon; B. Abao, Inner guard; M. Ponce, Tyler; L. Melgrejo, Bible Bearer; C. Valen, Almoner; L.

Dalumay, Standard Bearer; N. Caliva, American Flag Bearer; C. MORALES, Philippines Flag Bearer.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 26 April 1937, Page 1

### **Filipino Women's Club President Now At Home**

Fetes Birthday Thursday Evening With Many Friends

MRS. C. C. MORALES wife of one of the ranking Filipino contractors in Salinas and most popular lady president of the Filipino Women's club of California, came home from St. Luke's Hospital, San Francisco, where she stayed for treatment the last two months.

Her many friends were so delighted at her homecoming and are glad she is well on the road to recovery.

Last Thursday evening, the 22nd when many of her friends informally gathered at her home to pay her a visit, they were surprised that it was her birthday. No sooner than spoken, when the birthday cakes brought by her friends were cut.

Those present who enjoyed the versatility of the hostess were: Mr. And Mrs. J. B. Sampayan, Mr. And Mrs. F. B. Sun, Mr. And Mrs. C. B. Sasa, Mrs. B. R. Losada and her two children, Mr. Mariano Lozares of the Unholy Group, Mr. Alex I. Barnachia, Miss Rita, and the veteran newspaperman, M. M. Insigne.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 26 April 1937, Page 1

### **Former Miss Philippines Mail Elopes To San Francisco Monday Evening**

Watsonville was taken aback when Mary de Guzman, 16, popular girl among the younger set in Salinas Valley, eloped with Rosendo Pedro, 24, Watsonville labor foreman and son of a well known family of Laoag, Ilocos Norte, P. I. The two lovers went straight to San Francisco last Monday night with intention to wed, as they filed applications in the city marriage license office.

But due to the age of the girl, the application was not approved. They were advised to get their parent's permission, so both returned the following day to Watsonville. However, Mary's guardians, Mr. And Mrs. L. Malgarejo, well known couple among the Filipinos in Watsonville and Salinas, had combed the valley in search of Mary, they gave their consent to her marriage.

Miss de Guzman is popular in Salinas valley and this popularity is traceable to the day when she reigned as "Miss Philippines Mail" in 1935. She won admiration in Watsonville where they now reside, when she enrolled in the Watsonville High School and was acclaimed as one of the brightest students. As to whether she could continue her studies or not, it is not known.

Friends of Mr. Pedro showered congratulations and are busy asking when the wedding march will be played. It is said that a grand wedding is under way

and may take place any day. He is the nephew of Mr. C. C. MORALES, popular labor boss in Salinas.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 10 May 1937, Page 1

### **Mother's Day Held At Filipino Center Attracts Big Crowd**

Many Prominent Leaders And Children In Program; Mrs. Parker's Message Read

Mother's Day program held under the auspices of the Christian members and Young People's Group at the Filipino Community Church and Center last Sunday afternoon, in connection with the Sunday school, was attended by almost all the mothers in the Valley and their children and friends. The program was the first tribute to mothers held at the new center.

After the impressive invocation of Mrs. H. Della, wife of the president of the Christian Members, Mrs. C. B. Sales delivered an inspiring welcome address. All the children present sang "Mothers Are There Angels Dwelling."

A recitative number of the program was assigned to eight children who all prepared during the week to master their lines. When delivered at the Sunday program they were all praised. The children who recited were: Rosalina and Lucille Lozada, Louie and Albertine Agudo, Louie Avilla, CLEMENTE MORALES, Jr, N. Caliva, Jr, Helen Felomino, Lucia Avilla and Robert Maratas.

**MUSICAL**  
Accordion solo was the first musical number and it was rendered by Little Lopez, Jr. Besides the group singing and song by the congregation, an organ duet was well rendered by Rosalina and Lucille Losada.

#### **OTHERS PARTICIPATE**

Besides the organ solo by Matilde Lopez and vocal solo by Mrs. Steve Canete and another vocal solo by M. B. Angeles, Mrs. B. R. Losada dedicated an organ selection as a tribute to mothers, followed by her short address which moved all present to shed tears when she disclosed all the sacrifices and heartaches and fears a mother jealously covets that her child may have all the happiness and prosperity in this life.

Mrs. Maud N. Parker sent her regrets at not being able to attend the program for she had accepted an invitation to speak previously at another mother's day program. In her absence Mrs. J. B. Sampayan read her address, whose theme is also a tribute to mothers here and in the Philippines.

Mr. F. B. Sun delivered his address and confined his remarks to our obligations to our mothers to compensate their love for us. Before the closing prayer by Rev. K. M. Gordon, Mrs. Mary Calestisen was unanimously chosen among those present as the "Oldest Mother in the Valley" and with tears in her eyes thanked the Young Peoples Group president, M. B. Angeles, who presented her a bouquet of roses.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 31 May 1937, Page 1

## **A Suggestion**

By Manuel M. Insigne

In response to a suggestion offered last week through The MAIL to the effect that California Filipinos send a delegation of their leaders to Washington to represent them before the hearings of the joint Philippine-American Committee of economic experts, the writer received letters requesting him to nominate community leaders of Salinas whom he thinks are capable of such representation.

Complying with that request the writer sincerely nominates the following leaders to represent not only Salinas Filipinos but also those of Watsonville and outlying areas:

Mr. J. B. Sampayan(chairman), labor and religious affairs; Mr. F. B. Sun, civic and economic affairs; MRS. C. C. MORALES, social service and cultural affairs; Mrs. C. B. Sales, secretary to the delegation.

To prepare the line of the proposed delegation's statement, interested Filipinos may offer their suggestions upon the following subjects:

1. Discuss the needs of Pacific coast Filipinos and request the committee to recommend to Congress a definition of their status in the United States.
2. Suggest points on how to improve American-Filipino relations. Discuss economic, politics, labor, as well as social and cultural subjects affecting U. S. Filipinos.
3. Declare frankly if you are in favor or against a suggestion to shorten the terms of the transition period as provided for in the McDuffie-Tydings law, say, for example, to 1938 or 1939. Give your reasons, pro or con.
4. What is your present attitude towards the Repatriation Act now in effect?

How, in your opinion, could United States Filipinos be of help to the success of the Philippine-American trade conference scheduled for next year? One of the important features of that conference will be the elimination of the so called preferential trade between the United States and the Philippines. Offer suggestions on that subject, if you can.

In nominating the above-mentioned leaders to form the proposed delegation, the writer is guided by a sincere conviction that these leaders are, above all, fair and true to the best interests of their countrymen on the Pacific coast. The writer ventures the opinion that they are politically incorruptible. And, speaking figuratively, in the mirror of reflected glory which is always attached to such a mission in Washington, the writer believes that in seeing their own images in that mirror, these leaders will see better the images of their countrymen who depend like helpless and stranded human beings upon their true patriotism and wise guidance.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 13 September 1937, Page

**Spotlights (13sep37)**

by Mr. Spotter

Jumping Jehosphat! I am advised by our good editors to limit my column. They said they are killing some of their ads to make space for the column and have decided to curtail my freedom of the press. Is that fair, my dear reader? Absolutely no. We are still in the U. S. A, not in the Philippines! If they know what is good for this paper, they better encourage me to write longer articles and instead, limit their editorials and "scoops" because the readers want to read stories with life, ala Winchell. Am I right?

What is your opinion, Miss Judith Balcena? Oh... I see. You are busy campaigning. You don't want to be bothered yet. You want to win the queenship, ha? I don't blame you at all.

I might ask the opinion of my good friend, Miguel E. Ignacio, in San Francisco, but he is also busy writing his column, SQUINTS. So I leave the matter to another sentimental columnist, my friend in U. C, Greg S. San Diego. He knows what is best.

Junio will have a playmate soon. Junior Pagacian, of course. If the stork will not be late, the precious event will happen sometime this December. Mrs. Pagacian cannot dance any more. She only escorts her sister, Betty Romero and Pastora Landion, but no dancing. I hope it's a girl this time.

Mrs. Angel Dagampat, nee Trining Talisayan to you, is in a bustle preparing the christening party of Jr. Angel. She is waiting for a relative from Alaska, and when he comes down, make a trip to Pismo and attend this party. Besides there are lots of clams in Pismo, you might bring some home afterwards, for a change in diet. That is if you like the dainty things.

I pity the new pastor of Salinas. He has two kids to tend to every day and what I learned is that he is an amateur in breaking babies. Our women's club should lend a helping hand. We have MRS. MORALES... No she won't do, she has her Junior and she has just came out of the hospital! We have Mrs. Sampayan as one. She won't mind having one for company. Mr. Sampayan is a busy man and it will be a good idea is she has someone to talk to until evening when all return from the field through for the day's work. We have Mrs. Sun... But she has plenty of her own. That won't do. We have Mrs. Tangonan fresh from the Islands. She might be interested in babies. Until the stork brings one for her. I hope she will see the point.

You see, my readers outside of Salinas, we are just like one happy family here. What ails one, ails all. Sometimes. But there are times you should be here and see what's behind the scenes. My, my, my. It will tickle you. We are like cats and dogs, getting the most out of any thing, mostly nothing.

How's the club, Gonzales? It is going on in full swing? I hope I may visit you some of these days and have a better slant on the matter before I pound my typewriter about what is going on there. As yet I do not know what to say. Tell me, who is visiting your place. I want to know their names, especially the married ones.

Some contestants must be thinking that Salinas is a good place to hold a dance. Huh! You will have to pass many ways before you can hold one here. You will have to get a permit, pay hall rent in advance, spent lotsa gas going around inviting, print posters and all that, and after the dance you will have to find out you are in the hole. So better leave dancing out in your canvassing. It won't do you any good. If you don't believe me, try it and be convinced.

Chinatown is so lonely these days. I cannot find readily anyone I want to find there. The dens, as our editor calls them, are closed. Temporarily or forever. I do not know whether I want them closed or not. It's hard to find a countryman if he's not in Chinatown. It's their hangout, you know. They like the Chinese places greatly, they pity the Chinese, for they might have to go to work if there is no more gambling, but they do not feel sorry for themselves, sweating, or say, bleeding, earning the almighty dollar, as Dr. Sobrepena pictured in his talk at the Center.

I was surprised to see Mr. Lomongo at the post office last Thursday evening. I thought he had left Salinas for good. Well, I said to myself, once a Salinan, always a Salinan. Like the English motto: Once an Englishman, always an Englishman. I wonder how many Filipinos know the depth of this philosophy. Many are bothered about what's good for them. They want to change their citizenship. I want to see them mix well with the other peoples if they do.

My, I must have forgotten what the good editors advised me to do. Maybe next week they will let me loose again. So wait till then.

This is Mr. Spotter signing off... And this to you.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 4 October 1937, Page 1

## **Evangelical Moderator Speaks In Watsonville City Hall Filipino Meet**

Prominent Religious Leaders Of Salinas Lend Hand In Speach-making; Dr. Sobrepena Proceeds to South  
By the Caliph

.....Dr. Enrique C. Sobrepena, moderator of the Evangelical Churches in Manila and president of the United Theological Seminary, made a hit again, this time at the city hall mass meeting in Wastsonville under the sponsorship of the Filipino community officials. Dr. Soprepena spoke at a mass meeting in the apple city last Friday.

Bringing up to modern standards the philosophical teachings of the ages, the young divine delivered from their silent graves the three most important answers to the question of the ages; What is the greatest thing in life? First Dr. Sobrepena introduced the sage of them all Socrates, who was considered the ugliest man that ever was born of woman. To the momentous question, what is the greatest thing in the world, Socrates answered: Know thyself. Dr. Sobrepena elaborated on that cryptic answer by admonishing analysis of themselves and then applying their potentialities to useful and noble advantage. Next in line Epicurus, who answered the same question in this wise: Enjoy thyself. Likewise did the eloquent speaker discuss the two-word sentence by a liberal interpretation of how to enjoy one's self properly. The lips of a former slave, Epictetus, who offered a most devastating answer, saying: control thyself. But of course, according to Dr. Sobrepena, these answers dwelt merely upon the physical, if not the carnal side of man. The greatest teacher of them all by given the answer that transcends all philosophies. Christ the momentous question, both objectively and subjectively by saying: give thyself. And waxing eloquent, the good Doctor declared, With outstretched hands and a pair of bright eyes of the ages. Because he said to give one's self is to prove that man has at last risen above the common clay and attained that which is higher and nobler in life. He also dwelt upon things that were of the flesh and those of the spirit. Without directly hitting at present-day modes of high living, he related a story where both classical and jazz music were being tested as to the respective contributions to man's emotions. The test, however, was not made upon a man's but rather upon a dog's emotional reactions. A classical piece of music when played would induce a dog to sit upright with its head attentive and tilted up towards the source of musical strains, he said. Whereas, he differentiated when a jazz music is played the same dog was induced to move its hind anatomy with the voluptuousness of a hula-dancer. The example was enough to rock his audience with hilarious laughter and a Niagara of applause. Dr. Sobrepena praised the community leadership in Watsonville. Among the speakers were Mr. Marcos B. Tajolosa, president of the Watsonville Filipino community Mr. J. B. Sampayan, Mr. F. M. Maratas, MRS. PAULINA MORALES, all of whom are from Salinas. About 300 attended the mass meeting. Mr. P. D. Estepa, community official of Watsonville, acted as toastmaster. Dr. Sobrepena boarded the midnight train for Los Angeles after the meeting.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, November 1, 1937, Page 1

### **Wienie Bake By Commonwealth**

The Philippines Commonwealth Club, according to an advance announcement by the president, Mr. F. B. Sun, was to hold a Halloween night featuring a wienie bake at the labor camp of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Maratas last Saturday night on the 101 highway, three miles south of Salinas.

Among those invited were: Mr. And Mrs. B. R. Losada, Mr. E. R. Liwanag and daughter, Carmen; Mr. And Mrs. C. B. Sales and their niece, Miss Helen Filomeno; Mr. And MRS. C. C. MORALES, Cesario Valen, Mr. And Mrs. J. F. Cacas, Mr. G. D. Javier and his two daughters, Jessie and Eva; Mr. And (Mrs.?) Cosme Brazil, F. M. Arellano, I. Fortugaliza, Mr. And Mrs. A. H. Caletisen, Mr. And Mrs. J. B. Sampayan, Mr. And Mrs. Justo Pagacian, Miss Betty Romero, Miss Pastora Ladion, Mr. And Mrs. Loy Palma, Mr. And Mrs. Santiago Geray, Mr. Tom Robles and many others.

Mr. J. Gomez and his Hawaiian orchestra will furnish the music. Mrs. Sun and Mrs. Maratas were to welcome the guests.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 15 November 1937, Page 1

**(Continued)**

Problems of Filipino Field Workers Discussed In Mixed Conference In San Francisco

Januario B. Sampayan and Flaviano Maratas informed the assembled members of the conference that various groups of Filipinos in the state of California have already organized savings association for the purpose of land settlement in Mindanao. They, together with other Filipinos in the meeting, informed their American colleagues that any time the Philippine government took the initiative of calling back trained and experienced Filipinos in agricultural work, the response, they said, would be considerably encouraging.

Pursuing this point, Dr. Glen Hoover of Mills College stated that it was possible and probable for the benefit of Filipinos on the farms desiring to take advantage of the adult education classes now being conducted by the WPA relief administrators, either the Stanford University or the University of California might be interested in conducting extension classes by correspondence. More definite results, pending out -- come of the proposed questionnaires, will be reported from time to time in this newspaper.

Those who attended last Wednesday conferences were: Max Watson, Hall of Justice, San Jose; Dr. Mary Layman, Stanford University; Dr. Glen Hoover, Mills College; J. H. Oakie, Institute of Pacific Relations; Ernest Besig, American Civil Liberties Union; Mrs. Mary Hutcheson, Stockton; Miss Helen Kaufman, attorney, International Institute, San Francisco; Miss Marjorie E. Kidd, Custom House, San Francisco; Custom House, San Francisco; Miss Annie Clo Watson, organizing committee. International Institute, San Francisco; Frank Gargall, San Francisco.

In the Filipino group were: Santiago Geray, president, Filipino Christian Organizations; Jaime Catuira, San Francisco; L. C. Malanab, Sacramento; J. B. Sampayan, president, Filipino Labor Supply Assn, Salinas Watsonville; Candido Salvador, San Francisco; Miguel Ignacio, newspaperman, San Francisco; F.

Bergel de Dios, insurance man, San Francisco; Dr. Jilario G. Marques, pathologist, San Francisco; M. B. Masilongan, editor, The Mail, Salinas; D. F. Cruz city editor. The Mail, Salinas; Mrs. E. De Estoista, International Institute; E. G. Teves, member, Filipino Federation of America; Mr. Silva, president, Philippine Commonwealth Club, San Francisco; Manuel M. Insigne, newspaperman, and CLEMENTE C. MORALES, labor contractor.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 22 November 1937, Page 1

### **Three-Day Meet Follows Bazaar**

Local CDA Members Fete Visitors With Various Dinners

The Chamber of Perfection of the Caballeros De Dimas Alang held a three-day conference in Salinas Foresters Hall commencing last Sunday, November 14 and ending with a grand ball at the same hall November 16. High dignitaries of the order were present, among whom were Mr. And Mrs. Felipe Inocencio, grand master, Mr. And Mrs. Leo Escalante, and Mr. And Mrs. Valencia of San Francisco.

Day before the opening of the three-day conference the local lodge of the C. D. A. Held a successful bazaar and dance at the Armors hall.

During the bazaar-dance, F. B. Sun acted as the general "utility man" while Johnnie Cacas was the floor manager for the dance.

Visiting dignitaries were entertained separately and severally by local C. D. A. Members, some in their residences, others in popular restaurants. Mr. And MRS. C. C. MORALES gave a dinner to 50 members of the Chamber of Perfection last Tuesday noon at the Republic restaurant.

The following families acted as personal hosts to the visiting delegates: Mr. And Mrs. B. R. Losada, Mr. And Mrs. Felipe B. Sun, Mr. And Mrs. Flaviano Maratas, Mr. And Mrs. J. B. Sampayan, Mr. And Mrs. E. R. Liwang, Mr. And Mrs. A. H. Caletisen, Mr. Cosme Brazil, Mr. G. D. Javier, Mr. And Mrs. CLEMENTE C. MORALES, Mr. And Mrs. J. Cacas, and others.

Delegates from Los Angeles, San Jose, San Francisco and other key towns were present at the conference.

Mr. E. R. Liwang presided over the conference.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 29 November 1937, Page 1

### **The Filipino Women's Club Of Salinas Gives Impromptu Party At Community Church Center**

Buffet Dinner Served At Social Hall Attended By Leading Couples Here; Couple Receive Many Presents

On the occasion of the home-coming of Rev. And Mrs. Ambrosio Patacsil, and impromptu shower was held at the social hall of the Filipino Community church on California street, last Sunday, November 22nd. The affair was under

the initiative of the Filipino Women's Club of Salinas, assisted by leading Filipino Church members.

Mrs. Eugenia Sales, secretary of the Filipino Women's Club presided over the short program which was held in the church chapel. The affair is said to be the triumph of married folks, because no bachelors or unmarried women were called upon to welcome Pastor and Mrs. Patacsil. Among the speakers were: J. B. Sampayan, president of the Filipino Labor Supply Association; F. B. Sun, president of the Philippines Commonwealth Club of Salinas; Gabriel D. Javier, Master of the Rizal Lodge of the CDA; MRS. PAULINA MORALES, President of the Filipino Women's Club; and Mrs. Ramona Green Losada, another Women's Club official. Manuel Insigne, who claims to be a loyal Methodist, pronounced the opening prayer. And how!

Both during the program and the refreshment hour the Ferry-Morse Street orchestra provided music. At the close of the chapel program a prayer was offered for the immediate recovery of Mr and Mrs. A. H. Caletisen, who met a serious automobile accident on the night of November 15, as they were going home from the Commonwealth program.

At the social hall a buffet dinner was held. During the dinner impromptu songs and other musical numbers were featured. Mischief took hold of some young men who insisted on having (DNL) the public. Rev. Patacsil's perspiration hanged in beads over his ecclesiastical forehead and Mrs. Patacsil, white as a sheet of paper trembled in fright. Both confessed they did not know how to kiss.(?)

At the close of the dinner presents were opened by the young couple. There was a menageries of them too numerous to mention. Some wag intended to present the couple with a big paddle and a stout rolling pin, but in the merriment of the social hour he gave up the attempt. There were numerous presents that came from leading Filipino families in the valley as well as from single young bachelors. As she was opening packages, Mrs. Patacsil was the perfect picture of a "very happy bride."

Rev. And Mrs. Ambrosio Patacsil, through the columns of The Mail, desire to express their deep gratitude for all the kind acts the Filipinos in the valley have accorded them, "Thank you sincerely and kindly" said they.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 29 November 1937, Page 1

### **"Be Kind" In Shangri-La**

"Shangri-La", a modern conception of a workable Utopia and adopted from the powerfully fascinating picture, THE LOST HORIZON, will be the name of a new society of young and old people who are looking for "the eternal fountain of youth." Young men and women who like to "be kind" to their

fellowmen are invited to attend the initial meeting on Sunday Dec. 5, at the close of the service at the Filipino Community Church.

"Shangri-La" invites the patronage of such leading men of the Community as: Val Arellano, Serafin Lazo, Felipe B. Sun, Santiago Geray, Bonifacio Tangalin, J. B. Sampayan, Bal Sanchez, Felix Gonzales, Mariano Angeles, Emilio de Guzman, Andrew Madolora, Cesarlo Valen, the members of the Royal Blood Society, old men with screaming bones like Joe Culala, Cosme Brazil, Gabriel Javier, Victor Aranjuez, Manuel Insigne, and jolly good fellows like Flavio Maraias, Clonclive MORALES, Bob Lawang, Johny Cacas, Catalino Sales and everybody without exception.

In the initial meeting a fat-bellied Bohemian who wants to reduce his avoirdupois will explain the aims and purposes of "Shangri-La." In the subsequent meetings there will be lectures by members assigned to discuss different topics pertaining to everyday life in the community.

Those who are interested may either attend the initial meeting Sunday after church services. Dec. 5, at the social hall of the Filipino Community Church or contact the undersigned. "Be Kind".

FOR THE SPONSORS,  
By Vic Calderon,  
30 E. Market St,  
Salinas, California

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 13 December 1937, Page 1

### **Press Publisher Is Visitor Here**

Fred Dulay, publisher of the Capitol Filipino Press and prominent Filipino leader of Sacramento, paid a brief visit here last week. With him was Mr. F. Estonilo, editor of the Press. They were the guests of MRS. C. C. MORALES, noted women's leader of Salinas.

Dulay and Estonilo visited also the Rev. And Mrs. Ambrosio Patacsil of the Filipino Community Church and Center. They also visited Watsonville.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 13 December 1937, Page 1

### **Filipino Young People In Salinas Lead Colonists In Commemorating Rizal Day**

Permanent Officers of Organization Elected In Meeting Held At Community Church

Giving way for the young people's leadership the elders of the Filipino community of Salinas succeeded in encouraging energetic young men to form Filipino residents of the valley into a formal community organization. In the meeting held yesterday at the Community Church the following were elected permanent officers: Santiago Geray, president; Mariano B. Angeles,

vicepresident; Vic Calderon, secretary; Delfin Cruz, assistant secretary; and Val arellano, treasurer.

Immediately after the election of permanent officers the question of commemorating Rizal Day under the leadership of the new community organization was favorably taken up. A musical- literary program was agreed upon to be held at the Community Church. By unanimous consent the president was empowered to sent appoint commitee to prepare the program fot the commemoration. The following committees and their memberships were formed and appointed.

Program Commitee -- F. Arellano, chairman; J. B. Sampayan, Moises Arciaga, Tomas Alvarado, Manuel Luz, George Aquino. Vic Calderon, members. Reception committee -- Mrs. A. M. Patacsil, chairman, Mrs. J. B. Sampayan, Mrs. S. G. Geray, Mrs. F. M. Maratas, members. Invitation Committe -- MRS. C. C. MORALES, chairman. MRS. C. C. MORALES, chairman. Mrs. B. R. Losada, Mrs. C. B. Sales, Mrs. M. Delta, and Mrs. Ancing Maratas, members.

The R. B. Sampayan boys were appointed to help the ladies in all works that require physical efforts in the preparation of the hall.

Finance Committee -- R. B. Sampayan, chairman, F. M. Maratas, Abraham Aquino, M. B. Angeles, Gabriel D. Javier, F. B. Sun, J. F. Cacas, A. L. Barnachia, members. Publicity Committee: The members of The Mail staff Decoration Committe -- Mrs. B. R. Losada, chairman, to be assisted by all the ladies of the Filipino community.

By unanimous vote also, a motion was passed to the effect that the financial committee headed by R. B. Sampayan be authorized to collect voluntary contributions among the Salinas valley Filipinos in order to finance the Rizal Day commemoration this year.

Manuel M. Insigne was appointed general chairman of the commemoration. The first general meering of the various committees and their members will be held on Wednesday, December 5, at 8:00 o'clock evening, at the Filipino Community Church.

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SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 28 February 1938, Page 1

### **Commonwealth Of Salinas Elects**

In a meeting held last week at the Community Church building, the Philippines Commonwealth Club of Salinas, mother of all Commonwealth clubs of the nation new officers for 1938 were elected.

The new officers are: F. M. Amaratas president; Mrs. B. R. Losada, vice president; CLEMENTE C. MORALES, secretary; Johnny F. Cacas, treasurer.

The office of governors and high commissioner ere abolished. The club will hold a fishing party at Indian harbor, near Marina, on the 13th of March.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 14 March 1938, Page 2

### **Spotlights (14mar38)**

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Spotlight Parade: That ringing echo from the banquet and ball of the Filipino labor supply association at the Cominos hotel last week still reverberates in our ears.

Can Johnny Cacas ever succumb to wrinkled years? Seeing him dashing from here and there and coruscating from one group to another, he is the personification of youth unaffected by the years. Many times his quick, flashing looks will travel over where his charming wife was and then look at her as if to beg a kiss from Adelia. And Adelia would give him the school girl smile-still unspoiled by the sedateness of matrimony.

Why be secretive? The day Mr. Varona came to Salinas he was given a luncheon by community leaders at the popular New York Grill. Before noon we spotted M. M. I. Eating a late breakfast alone. We told him that Mr. Varona was coming and would like him to join us in the luncheon. We asked him if he knew Mr. Varona and he answered that he did-only that he was not sure if Mr. Varona knew him.

At the cocktail lounge of the Cominos hotel Mr. Varona was guest of the Bandalans-Mr. And Mrs. Perfecto D. M. M. I. Was also there. Left alone a while, we overheard M. M. I. Address Mr. Varona "Pako" and Mr. Varona addressed M. M. I. "Maning". Now we ask, what means these passwords?

He members of the Unholy Group were once hosts to the members of the Royal Blood. The three big Noises of the Unholy Group, Nancy Lozares, Pecto Bandalan and Menting MORALES, put up the mazuma to pay for the grub. The Sultan and the Dean of the Round Table are still unable to decide whether the Sultan was guilty of Unholy crime or not. He was recently tried to high crime and found both guilty and not guilty of the crime.

To whom did Editor Masilongan say this: "Well, we are on the same boat now. Won't you try the adventure again-this time with me?" Fast work there, Ed, But don't you think you ought to take your time? Or are you just aching to get even?

We caught Joe Culala the other day looking for a four-leaf clover in the wide open spaced under a heavy downpour; Cesario Valen in search of a green rose by the hillsides; and Papa G. D. Javier imitating Columbus, trying hard to make a hardboiled egg stand on end. He broke it, of course, you dope!

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 4 April 1938, Page 4

### **Caballeros De Dimas Alang Sponsors Fiipino Part In 1939 Golden Gate Exposition**

Lively Queen Contest Among Pretty Young Ladies Will Feature Drive for Funds

STOCKTON, Calif. -- Under the auspices of the Caballeros De Dimas Alang, a grand banquet and ball was held on March 26, evening, on the occasion of the presentation of the candidates for queen of the participation of the Filipinos in America in the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition at Treasure Island in San Francisco Bay. The occasion was a brilliant gathering attended by Filipinos from different sections of the Pacific coast. Most of those present were delegates to the First Filipino National Conference that ended the afternoon of the same day in Sacramento.

Under the toastmastership of Celestina C. Alfafara, high official of the Grand Lodge of the Caballeros de Dimas Alang, an elaborate program was held after the big banquet. The program included participation of distinguished guests of honor. The brilliant program follows; invocation by Rev. Pablo Estrera; then the banquet followed.

The second part of the program was composed of songs and speeches. They are: introductory address by C. T. Alfafara, toastmaster; vocal solo by Miss Pacita Tudit; address by Hon. Francisco Varona, guest of honor, personal representative of President Manuel Quezon of the Philippines; duet by Mrs. B. R. Losada and Mrs. J. B. Sampayan, accompanied on the piano by Miss Vivian Edwards; address by Hon. Varona; address by Mr. J. Emmet Hayden representative of the World's Fair to the banquet, another guest of honor; vocal solo by Miss Natividad Gacer; Miss Vivian Edwards at the piano; tap dance by little Dolores Catalla; concluding address by Dr. Diosdado M. Yap, representing Commissioner Quintin Paredes, also guest of honor.

The above program was quickly followed by a dance and presentation of candidates at the roof garden of the Stockton Hotel. Music was furnished by the Luzonian orchestra under the direction of Mr. Guillermo Galban, which in turn was a courtesy contribution by the Plaridel Lodge of the C. D. A.

The officers of the Filipino Golden Gate participation are: Executive Committee: -- F. Innocencio, Honorary General Chairman; L. M. Escalante, general chairman; P. A. Guzman, assistant chairman; C. T. Alfafara, general secretary; L. Malinab, assistant general secretary; L. A. Kintanilla, general treasurer, A. T. Valencia, assistant general treasurer; N. S. Flores, general auditor; E. L. Garcia, publicity director; A. D. Wasan, general queen contest manager; S. A. Sunga, technical advisor.

Finance Committee: L. A. Kintalan, chairman, C. T. Tubileja, Benny Magbanua, P. O. Parocha, J. B. Sampayan, E. E. Soria, E. A. Villanueva, members.

Ways and Means Committee: V. D. Demandante, chairman; L. M. Escalante, E. D. Wasan, A. T. Valencia, P. A. Guzman, E. L. Garcia, L. A. Kintanilla, G. N. Perez, S. A. Sunga, G. S. Moreno, members.

The following young ladies will compete for the honor of queen as feature of the Golden Gate Exposition Filipino participation:

Miss Vivian Edwards, sponsored Mabini Lodge No. 1, San Francisco; Miss Martha Brazil, Rizal Lodge No. 9, Salinas; Miss Eleanor Galvez, Quezon Lodge No. 35, Delano; Miss Leonor Rivera, Plaridel Lodge No. 4, Oakland; Miss Lucille Leybley, general Ricarte Lodge No. 36, Stockton; Miss Pacita Tudtud, Regidor Lodge No. 5, Stockton.

Among those present were Miss Martha Brazil, Misses Florence and Esperanza Carino, Mrs. E. A. Carino, Miss Mamie Decena, Miss Josephine Cordero, Miss Connie Decena, Mrs. P. Lazaro, Ms. Angeline Bantillo, Mrs. R. A. Daclan, Ms. Florence Ninonuevo, Mr. and Mrs. Moreno, Mr. and Mrs. Alfafara, Mrs. Stanley Rivers, Miss Leonora Rivera, Miss Anastacia Mauricio, Miss Rosalie Galvez, Mrs. G. Lagrimas, Miss Catherine Flores, Mrs. Flores, Mrs. M. D. Bautista, Mrs. A. Calitisen, Miss Jessie Javier, Miss Conchita Ferro, Mr. and Mrs. MORALES, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Sampayan, Miss Sally Codera, Miss Pacita Tudtud, Mrs. L. M. Custodio, Mrs. C. E. Pongan, Mrs. C. Mate, Mrs. C. Caliso, Mrs. Crispina Revilla, Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Edwards, Miss Lucille Leybley, Miss Laling Valderama, Mr. and Mrs. Magpayo, Mr. and Mrs. Losada, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Sun, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Maratas, Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Perez.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 4 April 1938, Page 2

### **Spotlights (4apr38)**

By Mr. Spotter

What a break: what a break: lots of materials for your perusal this week, friends and foes of the spotlight. Explanation, please-e-e (ala Charlie Chan): I attended the First Filipino Convention in Sacramento. Clean your ears and I don't mean maybe.

To begin with there is the Salinas delegation headed by B. R. Losada and secretaried by Salinas community prexy G. S. Geray. Mr. Losada busied himself in one of the committee tables created by Hon. Varona to expedite the essentials and to be done away with oratorical outbursts of the 2000 Filipino delegates from every nook and corner of Uncle Sam's tierra. As a secretary, Mr. Geray excelled himself in writing. He was showing everyone what he called a masterpiece: newspaper prints of funny faces: girl making love to his <sic> enamorata. Was it funny?

The cast of the Philippines Mail consumed more gas than any other car in the conference. Editor Masilongan headed a lively party with the Carino sisters and Martha Brazil in sightseeing tours, movies, banquets and all went as far as Stockton. My friends Collado and Culala were of course with the party all the time.

P. D. Bandalan and F. Maratas nominated all Salinas to have the lion's share in the making of the resolution to be presented to President Quezon. Collado eyeing one of the Carino sisters (which one Mr. Collado?) Joe Culala at thinking of his Pacific Grove weakness (by the way Joe, they have moved to their new house).

Unrequited love: Trining Rojo feeding his scholarly eyes on the former Miss F. Y, now Mrs. M: The same Trining writing undelivered telegrams. If you don't believe it, ask Paco Varona and Dado Yap. Who pinned that red, red rose upon your lapel, Caliph? Very charming thou art, Miss Adeleideu Lau; and you too, Miss Naty Gaser. Forgive me for not being able to place you at sight; but you have become so pretty, in fact, prettier than ever before.

Among newspapermen: Common saying is this one: "The house that Dulay built is tottering to pieces." "We have no newspaper problem in Vallejo." said J. B. Sarmiento. "Right," said Tombolero "because you got no newspaper there." "Ha, ha" laughed E. L. Garcia "All I know is what I read in the P:" said the Dean. "Libel!" shouted Llamas Rosario. "If you do not cooperation me, I no cooperation you," said Don B. G. And Paco Varona retorted, "Explanation yourself."

A picture: Luis Quianio smoking Toscani cigars in the dining room of the Senator Hotel. "Outlandish," says I. "I can't help it" says Joo Joo. And by the way, Joo Joo again. He said, "I just love to see you, Maning." "I could kiss you, darling," cooed Maning. "Hey, booz, iz dem guys pansies", the bootblack inquired. "No" we answered. "they're just nuts. Newspapermen, you know."

Score by the unholies: The UNholy Group has the best printed document submitted to the Conference in Sacramento. P. D. Bandalan spent good money to pay ushers that distributed the "unholy" letter to each delegate in the conference hall. The Unholy group and the chief of police of Sacramento have one thing in common. They both ask for more Filipino girls in the United States.

Mystery man of the conference. Friend of M. M. I. Call him the "mystery man of the conference". His interview with Mr. Varona, Mr. Yap and Mr. Pio de Cano of Seattle are during breakfast hours and before retiring at midnight. No one knows what those three were talking about. Perhaps Mr. P. D. Bandalan could tell us. He's always seen playing big brother to M. M. I, whose confidence he enjoys, BUt Pecto won't saying nothing, Honey.

Sultan Lozares does some checking. Nanoy Lozares, Sultan of the UNholies, had to make his own trip with Pundit MORALES to Sacramento just to check up whether the unholy delegate is doing his job. He seemed satisfied with the results and went back to Salinas without a frown on his face. Or, did he have a date in the capital? Who knows? Sultan Lozares is the one potato you can't mash (in the words of Bugs Baer). Adios.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 4 April 1938, Page 2

### **Convention Fund Report**

The following is the report of the Finance Committee appointed by the Filipino Community Organization to collect contributions of funds for the First Filipino National Conference held in the City of Sacramento, March 24, 25, and 26, at the invitation of Hon. Francisco Varona, personal representative of President Manuel Quezon of the Philippines. This report was submitted by Mr. F. B. Sun, President of the Filipino Labor Association for the Finance Committee:

#### **COLLECTIONS**

J. B. Sampayan Camp: \$12.00  
R. B. Sampayan Camp: 20.00  
Sun and Laurente Camp: 15.00  
C. C. MORALES Camp: 12.75  
A. Seveces Camp: 10.00  
C. B. Sales Camp: 5.00  
A. H. Calitesen Camp (Care GD Javier): 50.00  
P. D. Bandalan Camp: 10.00  
C. Lansang Camp: 3.50  
E. R. Liwanag Camp: 3.50  
T. C. Calub Camp: 12.50  
F. M. Maratas Camp: 13.50  
A. Areja Camp: 7.50  
J. F. Cacas camp: 10.00  
R. Corpus Camp: 5.25  
F. Malvas Camp: 26.25  
S. Alegarbes Camp: 3.00  
Balancad camp: 10.00  
Barnachia Camp: 5.00  
P. Cabanting Camp: 3.25  
M. R. Garcia Camp: 7.00  
G. Guerrero Camp: 5.00  
D. Manuel Camp: 2.00  
Naldusa Camp: 3.00  
P. C. Tangonan Camp: 2.00  
Ferry Morse Camp: 2.25  
Hanazon Camp (Filipinos): 8.75  
Miyana Camp (Filipinos): 2.50  
Beluan Camp: 3.00  
D. Felipe Camp: 1.25  
Narvacan Assoc: 2.50  
M. Ancheta: 2.00

B. R. Losada:5.00  
M. Lozares: 1.50  
C. Valen:1.00  
Dumaguete restaurant:1.00  
Air Cadets: 2.50  
Victor Escabio:.50  
F. Filomeno:1.50  
S. Agdeppa: 1.00  
M. Collado: 1.00  
T. Duran:1.00  
F. Cabacungan: 1.00  
Victor Tulsao:.50  
H. Dizon:.25  
Total collections       \$296.00  
Expenses  
To Hon. Francisco Varona:.\$226.25  
To S. Geray (delegate):. 17.00  
To M. Callado (delegate): 15.00  
Brief Expenses: 5.00  
To F. B. Sun (FLSA): 19.25  
Ribbons for delegates: 2.75  
Gasoline for Collectors: 4.00  
Telegram: 1.32  
Total Expenses \$281.57  
Balance, Cash on hand \$ 14.43

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 18 July 1938, Page 2

### **Spotlights (18jul38)**

By Mr. Potter

Hold your horses, as the cowboys say. It's Big Week column, and I'll give you a Big Week treat.

Now let me see... Where shall I begin to bat off this column. Suppose I begin my spotting from El Toro during the picnic. Okay with youse? Now take a peek at Miss Pacing Todtod, ain't she lovely? What about Miss Vivian Edwards? She is marvelous. Right? Miss F. Ninonuevo danced divinely. There is Miss Betty Romero with her sister, Mrs. J. Pagacian, both shouting high Cs at the volleyball game between the Rizal and the All Salinas teams. But can you figure why Betty climbed to sell dance tickets just to see Pacita?

To give you a rough idea of the good times we are having let me introduce to you some of the girls imported for the dance. This is Miss Peggy, Miss Lillian, Miss Ethel, Miss Mary, and add the names of girls you know. I am introducing

you so that you will know what's what. These girls told me these are their names but of course I am wiser now for I can smell these names are just non de guerras, in case... Get the idea? And what good dancers they are! You can shag, truck, wiggle, or do the pickin' in the bestest you can and you are just an amateur to them. If your pockets are cleaned dancing maybe you will learn. Remember Barnum said: A sucker is born every minute!

What are the brothers of Adam doin'? There is Mr. Garcia from the Pioneer trying to dish out his polished Tagalog lingo. Maning Insigne, the tops newsman, swinging his newly bought 15-cent cans in his hunt for a someone. Sorry, Maning, she was unable to come. Editor D. F. Cruz passing around collected cigars; sales trick. Of course there is Dr. T. R. Rojo! My, speaking of the devil and he shows up. He is trying to impress everyone that he is full of cave-man stuff. You have a long ways to learn yet, my amiguito. Dames are not your dish, stick to sociology.

Laureto Lagpacan will never grow up. You will not go far with the femmes F. C. Sans, if you will not put more gas. B. C. Taclay amazes me these days, wearing town clothes everyday; by the way, where is that San Luis Obispo lass you rave about? Mr. Leon Quintanilla is so aggressive in lining up Pacing's supporters. I can't figure why. Can you?

Now let's see what the married folks are doing. Mrs. Ruby Maratas and Mrs. J. B. Sampayan stationed at the soda stand. MRS. MORALES is dance ticket purser; Mrs. Sun at the barbeque counter with Mrs. Alfafara; Mrs. Losada here and there. C. B. Sales is the chief; J. B. Sampayan the big beer man; P. M. Olivete made no money at the target practice range; and Mr. Sun so busy that he could not even have time to talk to anyone. Who won a doll from the bingo table, Mr. Liwanag?

Mrs. Bandalan was so happy she even danced with the Sheik, C. C. MORALES. J. F. Caces, N. Cavila sure know their stuff on the dance floor. They clip tickets like nobody's business.

The day after the picnic in El Toro, F. B. Sun, general chairman, gathered his friends and raised the roof of the New York Grill. The... Teh my what a confab! Mostly members of the Fourth Estate in Salinas. They needed the treat all right.

Maning Insigne was the center of attraction. All present wanted to know why he shuns being mentioned as prospective labor commissioner on the coast. D. F. Cruz tried to reason why, instead G. S. Geray branded him the Ananias of the party. I never knew Masilongan was such an expert at drinks. He mixed cocktails for all from gingerale hi to Singapore sling. You should have heard the conversation after the wines!

Ignacio tried to drive home his San Francisco ideas, but Joe Culala proved a better antagonist. Next time you go out with the same bunch. G. Collado, try to drink as much as they do.

At the carnival grounds: The surprise of Salinas, Miss Martha Brazil. She is back from her New York travels. Pacing Todtod frequenting the bingo. Miss Galves looks so happy in Salinas why not live here; we Salinans are the chosen people..

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 4 July 1938, Page 1

### **Mrs. Morales Open Dry Cleaning Establishment**

Hoping to gain the patronage of her countrymen, MRS. PAULINA MORALES, charming wife of a prominent contactor here, opened Saturday her dry cleaning establishment under the name of MANILA CLEANERS, 104 Lake Street.

MRS. MORALES said that she will fully equip her establishment to meet all requirements of a dry cleaning business. Before the grand opening she made it understood that service and reasonable prices will be her watchword.

The business will be under the direct supervision of MRS. MORALES, who is certain she can invite the patronage of the big and little camps in Salinas Valley.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 4 July 1938, Page 1

### **Cacas Camp Scene Of Birthday Party**

Ramonetta Losada, daughter of Mr. And Mrs. B. R. Losada, well-known Salinas couple, was tendered a lively party on the occasion of her sixth birthday, at Johnny Cacas' camp in Graves District last June 26, Sunday.

Little Ramonetta was the recipient of many gifts and well wishes.

Among those present were:

Mr. And Mrs. Antonio Caletisen of Soledad; Mr. And Mrs. F. B. Sun; Mr. And Mrs. F. S. Maratas; Mrs. C. B. Sales; Helen Filomeno; Eva Javier; Mr. And Mrs. Bobby Santos; and Mr. And Mrs. C. C. Morales.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 4 July 1938, Page 1

### **Filipino Community Of Salinas Valley**

21 California St. -- Tel 271

Salinas, California

June 15, 1938

TO ALL FILIPINOS IN SALINAS VALLEY:

The following person are hereby authorized to solicit voluntary contributions for the purpose of financing a float for our community's participation in the Salinas Rodeo which will be held from July 14 to 17 (inclusive) 1938:

Mr. B. R. Losada, chairman  
Mr. M. G. Collado, member  
Mr. V. Mirador, member  
Mr. J. Avila, member  
Mr. J. F. Cacas, member  
MRS. C. C. MORALES, member  
Mr. Miguel Ignacio, member  
Mr. M. Nerez, member  
Mr. F. Maratas, member  
Mr. C. Valen, member  
Mr. P. Bandalan, member  
Mr. R. Maratas, member

Your liberal contributions to this community fund will insure the success of our participation in the Salinas Rodeo. The Committee on Ways and Means appreciates your cooperation.

The FILIPINO COMMUNITY of SALINAS VALLEY  
(Sgd.) Santiago G. Geray, President  
(Sgd.) ViC. C. Calderon, Sec'y.

Allotments of Districts:

1. Salinas and Santa Rita -- (a) Mr. Miguel Ignacio; (b) Mr. M. Collado; (c) Mr. V. Mirador
2. Graves District, Castroville and Blanco -- (a) Mr. J. F. Cacas; (b) Mrs. R. Maratas.
3. Spreckels and Chualar -- (a) Mr. F. H. Maratas; (b) Mr. C. Valen; (c) Mr. J. Avila.
4. Gonzales, Soledad, Greenfield and King City -- (a) MRS. C. C. MORALES; (b) Mr. M. Nerez; (c) Mr. P. Bandalan.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 27 June 1938, Page 1

### **Scoopy's Birthday Draws Big Crowd In Shangri-La**

Serafin, Jr, (Scoopy), son of Mr. And Mrs. Serafin L. Lazo of Watsonville was tendered a sumptuous buffet dinner and party on his sixth birthday by the members of Shangri-La last June 22. The occasion was held in scenic Shangri-La where Scoopy spends many week-ends.

The party was well entertained by the Watsonville couple and ably assisted by Val Arellano. Serafin, Sr, provided the talk; Mrs. Lazo, Mr. Arellano and Felix Gonzales looked after the culinary end, which was "devoured" with much gusto by the many present.

Scoopy was the recipient of many gifts and "many happy returns of the day." Among those present were: Mrs. C. Madamba of San Francisco; Mr. And Mrs. F. Reporsar and family; Miss Catherine Buregsay, Mr. And Mrs. I. Samson,

Mrs. Gutierrez and family, Miss Omictin, Mr. And Mrs. B. R. Losada, Rev. And Mrs. A. Patacsil, Mr. And Mrs. F. S. Maratas, Mr. And MRS. C. C. MORALES, Mr. Santiago Geray, Mr. M. L. Lozares, B. C. Taclay, and the members of Shangri-La.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 27 June 1938, Page 1

### **Spur Given To Rodeo Collection**

Rodeo voluntary collections among the Filipinos in and around Salinas is now in full swing and from all indications the \$500 mark will be reached.

This was learned from Rodeo participation chairman, B. R. Losada. He said, however, that no definite kind of a float has been agreed upon by the committee. What concerns him most is the success of the drive.

The following were assigned to the various districts to collect voluntary contributions:

For Salinas and Santa Rita District: M. G. Collado and Miguel Ignacio. For Graves District, Castroville, and Bianco: Johnny Cacas and Mrs. Ruoy Maratas. For Sprekels and Chualar District: F. S. Maratas and C. Valen. For Gonzales, Soledad and Greenfield District: MRS. C. C. MORALES and G. Nerez.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 27 June 1938, Page 1

### **Father's Day Program Here Huge Success**

Father's Day was celebrated Sunday afternoon at the Community Church and Center, June 19, as a closing number of the usual Sunday service. The occasion was attended by some 50 people from the Valley besides of course the usual handful that regularly attend services on Sundays.

The program also served to honor the birthday anniversary of our martyred-hero, Dr. Jose Rizal.

The program was as follows: Philippines My Philippines by the audience; invocation by the local pastor, Rev. Ambrosio M. Patacsil; scripture reading by Honorio Della; chorus by audience singing hymn "All Hail, Emmanuel"; "A Message to Father -- from Son Through Memory Lane" by A. Ramos; vocal solo by Fred Cabacugnan; address by MRS. C. C. MORALES, president of the Filipino Women's Club of California; and a piano selection, "Maiden's Prayer" by T. V. Villanueva, a U. C. L. A. Student in medicine.

Part two followed with the following offering: Address by Mrs. J. C. Cacas; vocal duet by Mrs. J. B. Sampayan and Mrs. Ambrosio M. Patacsil; chorus, "Jesus is Dearer" by the audience; address by Santiago Geray, president of the Filipino Community; Philippine National Anthem by the audience; and the closing benediction pronounced by Rev. Patacsil.

After the service and program, Tony Ramos, hocus-pocus philosopher and public speaker (as he humorously called himself) surprised those who attended when he passed five-cent cigars to fathers, expectant single or sterile.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 27 June 1938, Page 1

### **Cda Picnic At El Toro Offers Many Features**

The fifth annual picnic of the Rizal Lodge, No. 3 of the C. D. A. Inc, is anticipated by local members as a huge success. The picnic will carry an atmosphere of "one day in tropical Philippines" when the gates of the famous El Toro Park, spacious picnic grounds at the foothills, are thrown open wide to those who will enjoy the whole day occasion on July 10, Sunday.

Committees were created to facilitate the many jobs to be attended to. The following were appointed to serve on the following committees:

#### **EXECUTIVE OFFICERS**

Bro. F. B. Sun, General Chairman  
Bro. B. R. Losada, Asst. General Chairman  
Bro. F. Maratas, General Treasurer  
Bro. F. Arellano, General Secretary

#### **DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEES**

##### **FINANCE**

Bro. F. Maratas, chairman  
Bro. J. Sampayan, member  
Bro. B. Losada, member  
Bro. J. Javier, member  
Bro. F. Sun, member

##### **CARPENTRY AND GENERAL SET-UP OF CONCESSIONS**

Bro. J. Sampayan, chairman  
Bro. H. Mainit, asst. Chairman  
Bro. L. Puyod, member  
Bro. E. San Juan, member  
Bro. D. Abapo, member  
Bro. D. Sepulvida, member  
Bro. C. Donia, member  
Bro. N. Caliva, member  
Bro. C. Sivilla, member  
Bro. A. Dela Rosa, member  
Bro. S. Dalere, member  
Bro. E. Tarusan, member  
Bro. E. Canete and truck  
Bro. P. Olivete and truck  
Bro. A. Seveses and truck

Bro. F. Malvas and truck  
Bro. C. MORALES and truck  
Bro. A. Barnachia  
Bro. F. Abellanosa, member  
Bro. S. Rombawa, member

(Note: Chairmen of the other departments should help and suggest plans to the above committee.)

#### EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

Bro. B. Losada, chairman  
Bro. J. Cacas, member  
Bro. F. Maratas, member  
Bro. A. Caletisen, member  
Bro. A. Caletisen, member  
Bro. G. Javier, member

#### ADVERTISING AND PUBLICITY

Bro. F. Sun, chairman  
Bro. P. Olivete, member  
Bro. G. Moreno, member  
Bro. C. Alfafara, member  
Bro. F. Arellano, member

#### TICKETS AND SALES

Bro. G. Javier, chairman  
Bro. F. Sun, member  
Bro. B. Losada, member  
Bro. A. Caletisen, member

#### TRANSPORTATION

Bro. C. MORALES, chairman  
Bro. C. Lansang, member  
Bro. J. Cacas, member  
Bro. M. Galicia, member

#### ATHLETICS

Bro. T. Barbiera, chairman  
Bro. F. Maratas, member  
Bro. E. Colantro, member  
Bro. S. Oliveros, member

#### KITCHEN AND SALES

Bro. C. Sales, chairman  
Bro. G. Javier, assistant chairman  
Bro. A. Caletisen, member  
Bro. S. Agdepa, member  
Bro. C. Selvio, member

Bro. D. Ponce, member  
Bro. S. Dela Cruz, member  
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Bro. M. Tabo, member  
Bro. T. Barbiera, member  
Bro. E. Colantro, member  
Bro. A. Filomeno, member  
Bro. S. Dela Rosa, member  
Bro. V. Abao, member

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Bro. A. Seveses, member  
Bro. M. Galicia, member  
Bro. S. Rombawa, member  
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Bro. F. Florgo, member  
Bro. V. Malvas, member  
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Sister Malvas, assistant cashier

#### TARGET RANGE RIFLE

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Bro. L. Dalumay, member  
Bro. C. Donia, member  
Bro. C. Mon, member  
Bro. E. Gaspar, member

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Bro. A. Ramos, assistant chairman  
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Sister Sampayan, assistant cashier  
Sister Sampayan, assistant cashier  
Sister Losada, member  
Bro. Alfafara, member  
Sister Olivete, member  
Sister Caletisen, member  
Sister Areja, member  
Sister Puyod, member  
Sister Lansang, member  
Sister Agdepa, member  
(Note: This includes P. M. Sandwiches).

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Bro. A. Echon, member  
Bro. F. Jufiar, member  
Bro. P. Cawaling, member

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Bro. A. Barnachia, assistant chairman

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11 A. M. To 2 P. M. Bros. S. Rombawa, D. Abapo, C. Sevilla  
2 P. M. To 5 P. M. Bros. M. Tabo and E. San Juan

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Bro. A. Areja, member

Bro. S. Dalera, member

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Bro. B. Losada, member

Bro. G. Javier, member

Bro. F. Sun, member

Bro. J. Sampayan, member

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 20 June 1930, Page 1

### **District Attorney Brazil Acts To Wipe Out Chinese Gambling Dens**

Community Discussion of "Big Week" Participation Follows; Men Are Assigned to Districts

A movement to wipe out gambling in Salinas was initiated Sunday evening when District Attorney Anthony Brazil spoke in a mass meeting at the Community Center, inviting Filipinos to cooperate with the law to expose and convict gambling protagonists. The District Attorney said that Filipinos who will testify in court in the event a case is brought should not be afraid to tell the truth to effectively put an end to this scourge.

The meeting was called by Filipino community president Santiago Geray in response to the request of local leader who have invited District Attorney

Brazil to speak. The meeting was also called to discuss ways and means in the participation of the Filipinos in the coming Colmo del Rodeo here.

Mr. Geray requested Manuel M. Insigne, who was among those present to introduce Attorney Brazil. Mr. Insigne ably performed the task given him, saying that the Filipinos should be thankful for the eagerness of Attorney Brazil to help in the betterment of local Filipinos.

After the discussion of the gambling habit of Filipinos, Mr. Geray called the attention of those present [Editor's Note: For editorial see editorial page.] to the fact that Big Week is not far off and Filipinos here should again, as in the past years, answers the invitation extended to them to participate. After reading the letter of invitation, for the first time addressed to the Filipino community as an organization, appointments and elections of officers to study all angles of the participation was held.

Mr. B. R. Losada, local Filipino civic and social leader, was unanimously elected chairman of the participation committee.

Mr. Losada called a special meeting of the selected committee last Thursday at the Community Center and although no release was issued, it is likely that they discussed the financial problem of the participation.

The committee selected and the assignments given them are as follows:

For Salina and Santa Rita District: M. G. Collado and Miguel Ignacio.

For Graves District, Castroville and Blanco: Johnny Cacas and Mrs. Ruby Maratas.

For Spreckels and Chualar District: F. S. Maratas and C. Valen.

For Gonzales, Soledad and Greenfield District: MRS. C. C. MORALES and G. Nerez.

It is learned that the above-mentioned men assigned to the various districts were the duly authorized solicitors of voluntary contributions for the Big Week fund.

As to whether a symbolic or artistic float will be entered in the pageant, it is not learned.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, June 6, 1938, Page 1

### **Spotlights (6jun38)**

By Mr. Spotter

Whoa... There... Who is this guy De Monte-Bot, filling the new column "Thru the Porthole?" Why choose such an awkward name as De Monte-Bot? This guy is trying to crowd me out. I am ashamed to admit that he is more salacious than me, Mr Spotter, supposed to be the tops in gossip and scandal, Well, the idea? I'll show him I am not as dumb as he thinks I am. From now on, folkese, I'll revise my lingo and present more characters, real ones, and see who is tops

When the sailors are away they leave behind their wives. This I've learned in my trek way down south in San Diego. And who do you suppose entertain the lonesome wives? The landlubbers, of course, But they are not amusing as the sailors, so said the wives. My fingers are itching to mention names of the landlubbers...But I won't. Your guess is as good as mine!

I am glad I was able to manage to keep myself sober during the picnic of the Unholies, held at Point Lobos. Had I indulged in drinking the beer that flowed incessantly I might not be able to tell you anything now. Of course Sheik Bandalan was the one stationed in the drink department. The Caliph was assigned chef and the sheriff was the gravyman. Sultan Lozares did not succeed well in telegraphing himself saying it was from the Sultana, because MRS. MORALES, the pundit's charming wife, outsmarted him and saw the dateline of the wire.

Joe Culala did not know what to do. He was so attentive to his guests. Vic Calderon, the Sultan's son, could not be located, save during mealtime and appeared smeared with lipstick prints of Cupid's lips.

Miguel Ignacio caught redhanded with a brunette, Taclay and Sana invited two girls to go swimming.

Enerio sure knows her stuff and knows when to strut. She stringed dozens of Narvakianians who pledged their support in the coming tabulation of the Queen contest of the C. D. A.

I spotted a member of the Unholy Group telling the fortunes of two young ladies from Watsonville. Such an old trick... I. Read his mind so I did not bother him.

All present wanted to be foolish. Maybe they wanted to inhale the unholy spirit prevailing.

How is my friend San Diego progressing in his romance? Can't you write to me palsy and tell me all about it? And how is Bumpy and Dumpy getting along in their brand new 1936 Plymouth coupe? Are you going to Lake Tahoe soon?

I'll miss The Mail's dance in Pismo this coming Saturday. I would like to meet Miss Alemania from Ventura and Miss Espe Carino from Sacramento. They are both jolly and I am pretty sure they have not forgotten me. Wonder who are the lucky guys of these two...if they have...

My friend, Santiago Geray, is sure an A-1 salesman. All tried to grab the box of Miss Romero after the convincing arguments he put up that she is the ideal girl.

And this to my Darling Amado E. Dino, who is now boulevarding in the city of circular parks, Washington on the Hill, Roaming around the Washington Monument, he bumped against the 533 shaft mistaking it for a telephone post in Los Angeles. Ha, ha! Why don't you keep your nose clean, or perhaps get inside the Lincoln memorial and draw inspiration from the philosopher of Gettysburg.

In your gypsying in the District, Amando, don' forget to see the unknown Madonna in the Rocky Creek Park. Beyond that a little ways, stamp your flat feet inside the baracuda at O'Donnel's. Earle theatre is a respectable one, so don't think of burlesque like you used to, way in the sticks. In other words, you might find it interesting to be really civilized in the city that the Union built. Prosit! By the way, how's the porcupine mustache? Ha, ha again! See you again...

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 30 May 1938, Page 2

### **Thru The Porthole**

By DE MONTE-BOT

THE ALASKA CANNERY

ORONG SULONG

Leaders of the two labor organizations, the CIO and the Independent Filipino Cannery Workers, are constantly priming their men to maintain morale and spirit. Typical chant of pep talk to the rank and file: "When the packers open their canneries, we are there." To this the rank and file en mass say-"Talaga!" in various languages, Chinese, Mexican, etc.. Etc. It means "Sicula si colorum. Amen!"

#### **I. F. WORKERS QUARTER**

Quarters at Ellis street, S. F, are jammed.. Campo boys, city boys, and familiar, well-seasoned rugged Alaska trekkers are seen. Smallish fellow-MORALES years back hardboiled Portland bossman for Naknek, when asked about the Alaska set-up said: "I like this union business, but no one knows when this mess will be settled. Lintik pa naman- this morning the landlady found out I am a stowaway in Tandang Tiago's room."

At this point, the door opens in pops Frank Bolima, brain-truster, topkick of Chieftain Macasaet of the outfit, "Mga bata" I went to see Mr..... Son of Seattle. He is here to attend the Packers' conference. He said to me that there'll be no agreement with the CIO; he prefers us- Filipino Independent Union." This peps up the rank and file, also maintains morale.

"But." Bolina lowers his tone, if this is not settled in ten days, it's hopeless.

#### **CIO QUARTERS**

CIO three-story quarters at Clay street, San Francisco, a true international "halo halo" of Mexicans, Chinese, Negroes, Filipinos, Italians, etc, all Alaskan cannery workers.

Met a Mexican on the stairway and asked, "Que hubo, Cunaio?"

"Estoy esperando.. Esperando..Caramba! A ver que venga la revolucion!"

My cue to scam.

Met Tommy Canuto, old-time lye wash.

"What's up Tommy?"

"Well, the Red Salmon cannery and..... Son Company agree with the CIO. Other packers don't... Marama na rin akong utang sa hotel at pagkain..."

So there is still a deadlock. The delay in settling the disputes is a waste of time to any laborer. But this is a labor union era, so... It must be, regardless.

Ed. Note: Port-holer De Monte-Bot, influenced by too much of that stuff called OKOLIHAO, failed to fill his column. So, here are his pinch-hitters -- George Venial and Poncie Salonga while Honolulu.

VENIAL:

HONOLULU, April 29- Seizure of \$1500 worth of marihuana, commonly known as "loco weed", the largest haul ever made in the history of the Territory, was made aboard the U. S. A. T. Republic when it came to port here, by custom officials this evening, revealed. Walter Doyle, collector of customs.

Twelve pounds of marihuana weed which the law enforced and social workers regard as one of the narcotics in the smuggling business, was found concealed in a false bottom locker of George H. William, 42, colored steward aboard while the ship was in the Panama Canal.

William was stopped by custom guards as he was leaving the ship, to undergo the routine search for every person. When searched, the guard found in his pockets two tobacco tins filled with marihuana. The guards alarmed, conducted a thorough search of his quarters whereby they found more of the "reefer", seven and a half cans and four cigarettes.

Federal officials set the value of the marihuana seized at \$1500, basing their estimate on 50 cents a marihuana cigarette.

William is held here pending legal action of the federal grand jury.

The seizure was made by custom officials Carl Eiffer, Walter McKinney, C. De Mello, and G. B. Smith.

SALONGA

Once again the ever untiring and popular Filipino Woman's Club of the International Institute of Honolulu, under the YWCA, demonstrated their ability in promoting interesting entertainment at the banquet and ball held in the evening of April 29, at the Fuller Hall, they tendered in honor of the "Seafaring Social Club" well membered by the Filipino working in the U. S. A. T. Republic.

The program opened with a welcome address by the president of the women's club, Mrs. Emilia Begaurisa. An Ilocano dialogue and song by a couple dressed in typical Filipino barong-tagalog and balintawak gave the audience a little warm-up as the evening was a bit chilly. Three beautiful dalagas paired by three bagong taos, all dressed in Filipino native costumes, danced the slow rhythmic and sweet melody of the carinosa played by the Collegiate Orchestra. Miss Alice Avellana, one of the participants, attracted many bagong taos for her unusual type of beauty which might say in Tagalog mangang kaligatan. (A mango that is about to ripen).

In response, the president of the Seafaring Club, yours truly, thanked the charming hostesses of the evening for their kind invitation, so far believed to be the best affair the members have ever attended in this early stage of social life and existence.

Among those present were:

Mrs. R. Valentin, technical adviser of the Filipino Women's Club; Mrs. C. Soloman, Mrs. Mildred Towle, executive secretary of the International Institute; Mr. And Mrs. P. Valderrama of Wahiawa; Mr. Lou Calbournaf from Schofield Barracks; Mr. And Mrs. M. Zacarias, Miss Mary Doseo, Miss Pasing Lumio, and Miss Sally Dacoscos, candidate for the popularity contest ending on June 19 in Honolulu.

More than 300 guests besides the members of the Seafaring Club filled the dance floor to capacity. The party lasted until dawn.

My ruthless boss, the Editor, is sending me to Central America to pick up echoes of the Fascist influence there.

Dropped in to see a fellow leave on the Transport Republic bound for Panama then New York... In the Filipino "Glory Hole" (to land-lubbers this is seamen's quarters)... They are brutally frank here... They mince no words... Lots of fun that way.

Browls a handsome looking seaman, "Shut-up with your Honolulu Sally Dacoscos... Yea, she sings but this California Miss Todtod.. Sh!... Her voice, her figure, why ever her fingers are provoking.

"Pag-ibig na yata iyan!"

"Give me one glorious moment with her and you can throw me to the sharks at Costa Rica!"

But these guys are pulling away at 12 so I am minus one rival.

"That Requirio U. C. Coed," said another seafaring guy, "she is a beauty too-I could fall for her with waves of love."

Then arouse my romantic friend, Pedro, once upon a time a high school student, "This Requirio girl is just like a rainbow- beautiful- tantalizing- but very elusive... "

"Why elusive?"

"You can't corner a college girl!"

"All right, Miss Martha Brazil is on board."

Pedro then announced, "Anybody who can take her to El Rancho... (This is a swanky night spot in Old Panama) is the best man."

Suitor of Miss Brazil: "I know my Panama too if my tramp ship gets to Panama first, I'll interrupt youse guys and your charming young lady will be in proper hands."

The hardest of hearts become soft in Panama. Sensuous music... Bright starry skies... Cool tropical breezes... A sense of liberty engrosses everybody...

Very fascinating, very alluring, stage for love. O. K. Don't say I didn't warn you! In your message tell her not to eat too much "arroz con pollo" (chicken with rice). It might be "Iguana" (In Visaya- halo or ibid; in Tagalog, bayawak; in Ilocano, bannias) instead of chicken-not much difference; I've eaten it already.

#### FAREWELL SCENE

There's the whistle now! It's 15 to 12:00. Found myself on dock with crowd. The 39th Infantry Band Plays... Scanned the decks... There! There is Captain Sulit of Phil. Scouts and his wife, nee Estella Romualdez-one-time popular coed of U. P. College of Law- and there is Miss Brazil, pride of Salinas Valley.

Shouts a thirtyish-looking Pinay, "Hey, hey, Miss Brazil... Don't do anything I wouldn't do!"

If what somebody tells me about this thirtyish Pinay- she is giving too much liberty to Miss Brazil. If it is true, the thirtyish Pinay is a veteran of many amorous battles... So what?... "La gallina vieja hace buen caldo", aw! Don't be dirty please... "

Brazil shouts, "Goodbye, Sweet." She was looking at an elderly Pinay beside whom is a handsome Pinoy in brown suit. O. K. Pinoy with the brown suit... But there are Filipinos young blades... And irresistible too, in that transport. So take a good look at her. Some flaunting Vagabond Lover will date her in Panama.

Hasta la vista, fans of the Port-Hole (if any).

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 30 May 1938, Page 1

#### **Unholy Group Picnic Draws Record Throng**

At the great wide open spaces by the sea of famous Point Lobos picnic grounds, Filipinos from all over the state flocked to spend the day under the good graces of the Unholy Group of Salinas. So far, it is acclaimed as one of the highlights of the season of Salinas.

The success of the picnic was attributed to Sultan Mariano Lozares of the Unholy Temple, who directed the whole affair. He was ably supported by the members of the clan from Sheik Perfecto Bandalan to young unholy mascot Benny Culala.

The day was spent wisely when the unholy time came. Picnickers, mostly in pairs, rollicked in the hills and even in the caves to relax.

The main attraction, of course, was the anticipated presence of the Sultana. Unfortunately no Sultana appeared; in lieu, excuses by the Sultan.

The committee on "food" forgot nothing. They bought a barrel of beer, two large sized "lechon", a truck load of soft drinks, half a ton of roast leg of chicken, two shovels of pickles, and buckets of soup.

Games were played by the youngsters, while the oldsters made fun.

Just to give a rough estimate of those present, find the one you are looking for in this list:

Monsieur and Madams: Melecio Vera, San Francisco; Paul Tandoc, Los Angeles; Leon de Asis, Salinas; F. Reyes (and family), Vallejo; Cletos Blanco, San Jose; Jimmie Ibarra; Joe Canaya, Pacific Grove; Leo Valjereso, Monterey; Antonio Caletisen, Soledad; Eleseo Catalia, Soledad; C. C. MORALES, Salinas; E. R. Liwanag, Salinas; M. Cabunsi; M. Parangit; V. Magistrado; Josephine Duran; P. Bandalan, Vallejo; A. Echaurre, Watsonville; Leo Lopez and family; T. Ras; G. Borleo.

Mes Dames: Patricia Nixon; Flora Enorio, Vallejo; Mimie Reyes; Joan Reynolds; Joyce Mason; Betty Martin; Billie Wilson; Shirley Gloria; Viola Motte; Patay Grove; Mittie Rutledge; Carmen Liwanag; Jessie and Eva Javier; Virginia Borlio; Virginia Lowell, and Mildred Lozares.

Caballeros: Santiago Garay; Cosme Brazil; P. Milo; J. Penales; S. Flora; Pastor Cabansog; Dick Ferreo; D. Acompanado; J. Madamba; Pedro Ocampo; Stanley Lucero; Delfin Cruz; Miguel Ignacio; Philip Arellano; Val Arellano; G. D. Javier; Frank Estrada; Danny Esteban; and F. C. Sana.

Of course these above mentioned were the only ones reported out of the four hundred pairs that were spied during the day. Those not mentioned were not spotted.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 12 December 1938, Page 1

### **Cda Bazaar Is Well Attended**

Under the management of CLEMENTE C. MORALES, a benefit bazaar was held last Saturday evenings at the Armory Hall by the Rizal Lodge of the Caballeros de Dimas (DNL) The affair was for the benefit of Miss Helen Rosina's candidacy as queen of the coming participation of Filipinos in the Golden Gate International Exposition on Treasure Island.

Friends of mIss Rosina came form San Francisco, Stockton, Oakland, Isleton and the Bay Cities to be in attendance. Another popular candidate of the participation, Miss Eleanor Galvez, graced the occasion. She was accompanied by her manager and her mother, Mrs. Mary Galvez.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 12 December 1938, Page 1

### **Rizal Day Will Be Observed With Simple Program**

With the initiative of the younger members and able support of the older members of the Salinas Filipino Community of the Filipinos in the Salinas valley will commemorate the death anniversary of their foremost hero and idol Dr. Jose Rizal, on Dec. 30 to be held at the Filipino Community and Center. Under the general chairmanship of Felipe Sun and Mrs. PAULINA MORALES, a simple but dignified program befitting the occasion has already been prepared. Mrs.

Ramona Losada has been unanimously picked by the Community to give the principal address. Mrs. Mary Caletisen, our Isang Tapales, has consented to render a vocal solo in Tagalog. Val Arellano will be the master of ceremonies.

The Tentative program:

1. Philippine National Anthem -- Orchestra
2. Opening Remarks -- Val Arellano
3. Vocal Solo -- Mrs. Mary Caletisen
4. Speech (undesignated) -- Vicente Calbado
5. Duet (undesignated)
6. Last Farewell (undesignated)
7. Selection -- Orchestra
8. Address -- Mrs. Ramona Losada
9. Philippines My Philippines -- Audience  
America -- Audience.

Committees:

Felipe B. Sun, general chairman

Val Arellano, master of ceremonies.

Program -- MRS. PAULINA MORALES.

Chairwoman: Pablo Nava, Macario Collado and Ray Camcam, members

Finance -- F. S. Maratas, chairman:Manuel Luz, Alfred Padomada,

Santiago Geray, and Johnny Cacas members.

Invitation -- Mrs. Esther Sun, chairwoman: Eva Javier, Betty Romero, Helen Rosina, Mary Omictin, and Manuel Raras, members

Reception -- Vic Calseron, chairman; P. Samson, M. Galicia, and Arsenio Areja, members

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 28 November 1938, Page 1

### **Carnival Night At Armory Promises Gaiety**

The Armory Hall will be turned into a miniature carnival ground again this coming Saturday evening. Dec. And the occasion will be under the management of the local Rizal Lodge, CDA with CLEMENTE C. MORALES as chairman.

Mr. MORALES said that booths for the bazaar are now ready to be set up. Each of these booths will house novelties and attractions for all to enjoy at nominal prices. Prizes also for the different games, such as bingo, balloons, spin wheels and confetti have been attended to.

All the committees assigned by the local lodge to look after the progress of the carnival are certain, according to their reports, that a bigger and better form of merriment is in store for the Filipinos who will attend.

Invitation have been sent to all the lodged under the banner of the CDA and it is said many will attend.

The gate will be thrown wide open at 7 in the evening of Dec. 10 and an admission of 25 cents will be charged for gentlemen while ladies are free.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 15 November 1938, Page 1 & 3

### **Commonwealth Club Leads Some Twenty Organizations In Program At Armory Hall**

Atty. Pollock Main Speaker of Second Program In Chinatown; Microphone Installed for Crowd Outside

Members and delegates of some 22 civic and fraternal organizations in Salinas' Valley responded admirably to the leadership of the local Philippines Commonwealth Club's musical-literary program at the Armory Hall, Tuesday evening, Nov. 14. On the occasion of the third anniversary of the Philippines Commonwealth. Two Squads which were detailed to keep order in the hall from bukid Laonglaan, local lodge under the banner of the Mga anak Ng Bukid, added color and an atmosphere of patriotism and civic mindedness among the more than thousand people present.

The delegates of the various organizations and partakers of the program were ushered to the speaker's platform by the Bukid Soliders as they were called one by one by Flaviano S. Maratas, general chairman of the occasion and president of the Commonwealth Club. When the people were ready for the program, he expressed the gratitude of his club for such a splendid support of other organizations.

But much of the success of the occasion was attributed to Val Arellano, program committee by Manuel M. Insigne, journalist and president of the Mga Anak Ng Bukid, who was selected master of ceremonies. His resourcefulness and versatility in introducing the partakers of the program was well received.

#### **HALL PROGRAM**

Although not on the program, Mrs. Insigne requested the orchestra to play a native composition as the opening number of the program. After the selection, he delivered a welcome address, reminding all that perhaps the occasion was the first one in which leading organizations in the valley participated whole-heartedly.

F. B. Sun, president of the Filipino Labor Supply Association, delivered the opening remarks. In the course of his discourse he loudly commended the achievements of President Manuel L. Quezon of the Philippines Commonwealth in his splendid leadership but assailed vigorously some Filipino newspapermen in the country for their vicious attacks on the president's policies and apparent indifference to Filipino Welfare.

Mr. Sun also took occasion to remind his listeners that the Filipino Labor Supply Association does not oppose the establishment of an office of a labor Commissioner from the Philippines to look after the labor conditions of the Filipinos in the United States, more so those residing on the Pacific coast.

The wealth of the Philippines was the theme of Dr. S. B. Ledesma, guest of honor. He pointed out the billions of dollars of undeveloped natural resources of the Philippines awaiting the Filipinos to explore. He said that a present 90 per cent of the trade and commerce of the Islands is in the hands of foreigners, and unless the Filipinos awaken from their lethargy they will find out that they will soon have nothing left.

However, he placed his faith and confidence in the Filipino youths of today. He recited the different achievements of many young men who have ventured in business and in other professions, and with their examples, he said national consciousness will be fostered and Philippine national economy saved.

Mrs. Rosario Pagacian, wife of a prominent labor contractor, rendered a vocal solo of the popular number "Just to Call You My Own." Mrs. J. B. Sampayan, wife of the past president of the Filipino Labor Supply Association, sang a plaintive kundiman entitled, "Madaling Araw."

Closing the first part of the program was the singing of Philippine National Anthem and America by the audience with Vicente Calsado leading.

#### GRAND MARCH AND DANCE

The second part of the program began with a grand march of dancing couples with Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Losada leading the paraders and Alex L. Fabros from Laonglaan directing.

Dancing lasted 'til past midnight.

#### AIR SHOW STAGED

The Filipino Air Cadets staged an air show at the Salinas Airport, 2 P. M. To 4:30 P. M. Free of charge. It was attended by hundreds of flying enthusiasts.

#### ORGANIZATIONS REPRESENTED

The organizations represented in the celebration were the following:

Rizal Lodge, CDA, Inc, represented by J. D. Javier; Bukid Laonglaan, Joe Culala, Filipino Federation of America, Benny Ordiz; Filipino Community, Santiago S. Geray; Filipino Labor Supply Association, F. B. Sun; Filipino Christian Fellowship, Johnny Cacas; Mascosgannon Loonanon, F. Fortugaleza; Filipino Air Cadets: Isaac Clyde; Samahang Bagong Sikat, Victor Pantaleon; Tarlakenians, Alex L. Fabros; Narvacan Association, Greg Aguino; Students Club, Vicente Calsado; Visayan Welfare Leafue, F. Samson; and Sons of Bacarra, M. R. Galicia.

Serving as a sequel to the celebration, an open banquet was held at the Republic Restaurant, Soledad street, the following evening. Filipinos who could not be accommodated in the restaurant, despite the cold weather, crowded themselves in front of the place to hear the after-dinner speakers whose speeches were transmitted to the street by means of a microphone installed for the occasion.

Attorney Geo. Pollock, main speaker of the evening, highly commended the cleanliness of the Filipinos. He said that they (Filipinos), generally are clean internally and externally.

However, one weakness of the Filipinos, Atty. Pollock pointed out is gambling. He said that in his investigations he found that most of their earnings went to the gambling houses.

Continuing his advice, he said that the Filipinos will be better off if they could encourage their women folks to come to the United States. He is certain prevailing domestic conditions among Filipinos will improve if there were more Filipino women in the United States.

Attorney Pollock gave his opinion that the Philippines will be safer under the protection of the United States. He said that the Philippines is a small nation and could not defend herself against invaders, possibly Japan when she gets her complete freedom from the United States.

Another advantage the Philippines will have if she remains under the protection of the United States is the stability of her trade, Attorney Pollock contended.

#### MANY SPEAKED

George Almares, an active officer of the Filipino League; Santiago S. Geray, president of the Filipino Community of Salinas; MRS. C. C. MORALES, president of the Filipino Women's Club; O. M. Hiersman, constable-elect of Monterey county; Alex L. Fabros, sports writer, and G. D. Javier, master of the local lodge of the CDA, delivered short remarks. Manuel L. Luz acted as toastmaster of the evening.

E. R. Liwanag, in lieu of her daughter who was not able to attend, almost sang the native song "Pacing," but was rescued by one of his friends who sang for him. Not to be outdone, he finally sang a popular song.

J. Umibig sang "Sweet As a Song," and Julian Umagat rendered another vocal solo in Ilocano, "Samit Ni Ayat." All the singing was accompanied by Victor Escobido on his guitar.

The program closed with the singing of "Philippines My Philippines" and "America" by the audience.

The sponsors of the occasion were Felipe Quiteves, Johnnie Bermio, Steve Arre, Marcato Collado, Manuel Luz, and G. Raquel Almares.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 15 November 1938, Page 1

#### **Photograph:**

CAPTION: Part of the Crowd That Celebrated Too

Try to find yourself above, if you were lucky enough to be there among those who attended the banquet culminating the two day celebration in Salinas on

the occasion of the third anniversary of the Commonwealth of the Philippines. To give you a lead here are their names:

Atty. George Pollock (guest speaker), Dr. S. B. Ledesma, Manuel M. Insigne, M. B. Masilongan, D. F. Cruz, Santiago S. Geray, Joe Culala, Steve Arre, Sal Sanchez, Macario Collado, R. B. Sampayan, Pablo Salvador, Florencio Della, A. Sensano, C. Brasil, Jimmy Ziganay, M. Luz, Roman Somers, C. A. Lacuesta, Felipe Quiteves, G. D. Javier, H. Citra, Mariano Ponce, Mrs. J. Ponce, Mr. Fernando Gonzales, Marcelino Dasalla, Junaito Umipig, G. M. Hiserman, Alex L. Fabros, Julian Umagat, V. Encobido, J. Bermio, M. Sandoval, E. Ulanimo, M. Vacalarez, D. Rabos, E. G. Epistola, David Pimentel, Tomas Calaver, P. Bagaipo, George Sarsongs, David Ponos, Steve Arre, Pete Eala, George Baptista, Steve de Asis, Thelma Yadao, Benny Masuedas, Roberta Lopez Ilar, Mr. And MRS. C. C. MORALES, E. R. Liwanag, C. R. Almarez, Bill Quitasol -- photo by Caliva.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 24 December 1938, Page 1

### **Salinas Colonist Progress In Annual Review As Old Year Draws To Its Close**

Improvements In Business, Labor and Social Conditions Among Local Filipinos  
Subject of Article

Once a year its the privilege of the writer to review the progress of Filipino colonists in Salinas valley. We may be forgiven for our enthusiasm. Our people have made definite progress during the year.

Our social and civic activities have been satisfactory; our economic progress has been steady. Labor conditions were agreeable to both laborers and employers.

#### **Business Progress**

During the year two substantial dry goods stores have been added to the already established business of Salinas Filipinos. They are the Cabacungan Dry Goods store and the Philippine Trading Company. Both are located in strategic places where Filipinos can easily trade day and night. Few business establishments have changed hands. More have prospered during the year. An up to-date laundry and dry cleaning firm recently established by the Manila Cleaners is making definite headway. There is a gasoline service station operated by a Filipino in the valley. The tailoring business, as usual, is in the lead. For one that folded up, two were put in place. There was one addition to the already many barber shops in the valley. It's the Rizal barber shop. This part of Filipino business is led by the fashionable Luneta Barber shop, considered to be the best in the entire city.

The Filipinos are gradually taking to life insurance. The West Coast and the Metropolitan have their agents among Salinas Filipinos. The progress of

savings associations is very encouraging. Distribution of Christmas savings will be greater this year.

#### Labor Conditions

There was no unpleasantness in the labor relations between employers and employees. The minimum wage of Filipino labor is 35 cents per hour and the maximum wage paid to field foremen is 60 cents per hour. In different labor camps there are Filipino laborers affiliated with the Congress of Industrial Organization and with the American Federation of Labor. Without any one actively proselytizing for them, these labor unionist were content to work side by side with the fellows who are not affiliated with any union.

The Filipino Labor Supply Association of Monterey County has revised the year because of the falling off of some members who were unable to cope with the depression. It is hoped that those who have suffered from reverses will soon recoup their losses in the coming harvest.

#### Beautiful Homes

The Filipino community of Salinas Valley may well be proud of the beautiful and attractive homes of its leaders. Considering that Salinas is a farming district, a stronger family atmosphere is perhaps felt in this area than in any city of similar size and background. Among the beautiful and attractively furnished homes are those of: Ramona Green Losada, Esther Sun, Mary Caletisen, PAULINA MORALES, Maxima Sampayan, Nora D. Asis, Lotty Canaya, Lucy Bandalan, Adelia Cacas, Eugenia Sales, Ruby Maratas, Ida Alcatara, Margarite Tangonan, A. Areja, G. Guerrero, V. Magistrado, Helen Luzo, Rosario Pagacian, Marina Malvas and others.

#### Social Activities

Social activities among Salinas Filipinos have been confined to picnics, barbecues, banquets and dances, fraternal programs, volley ball, softball, Church programs and other amusements common to Filipinos.

Harmony prevails among the more than 20 fraternal and other organization in the valley. There never was an incident of dissension among them at any time. This fine harmony is seldom found in any Filipino community. Every organization is willing to condescend to the other in matters of community affairs. Each organization boosts the other and no jealousies ever darken the leaders' minds against the others.

The senior leaders of the valley are all generous and unselfish. They are always willing to give way to the leadership of their juniors. Each one backs up the other in any undertaking. In observance of national affairs all the leaders, regardless of their fraternal affiliations, pull together for just one single aim; the greater credit of Salinas valley Filipinos.

#### The Students

There are more than two score students in the grammar, high school and Junior College. The girl students are supported by their working parents; the men students are mostly self-supporting. Several of the students have earned unusual honors in their respective school activities: Alec Alcantara, second highest Boy Scout official in Monterey country; and Alec L. Fabros are both good sports writers on the staff of their school papers and recognized as such by the leading American newspapers in the Valley.

Fannie Gutierrez, considered to be the most talented of all Filipinos students, leads them all in social popularity. She is a musician of note, a gifted violinist, who appears in concerts conducted by her American sponsors in various cities. Among those who have earned their degrees in the universities are: Val Arellano, Antonio Ramos, Gregorio Aquino and a few others. Macario Collado is the only mining student, member of the American Mining Congress. The Filipino Air-Cadets are progressing steadily. They have figured in many interesting undertakings in the valley.

#### Few Public Charges

There were few public charges among Filipinos in Salinas valley. Charity cases were handled by the various societies for their members. Laborers meeting with accidents, on reasonable claims, were granted benefits from compensation insurance by their employers.

There was better and friendlier cooperation between the Filipinos and the police during the year. Law enforcement among the colonists has been satisfactory to authorities. Justice was administered to Filipinos in the courts with fairness and human consideration. Floaters and vagrants have been eliminated in the community. Taxi dance halls, the breeding places of many serious crimes, are permanently outlawed.

#### Civic Leaders

The Filipino community leaders are known for their sincerity and common sense. There is a complete absence of sharpers and sleek promoters. The leaders are all serious-minded men who always apply a happy medium in their relationship with the masses. They are loyal, and they encourage loyalty, to the Mother Country. They always cooperate with officials sent by their government on any official mission. The American groups with whom they come into contact are very proud of them.

In Salinas valley whoever is President of the Filipino Labor Supply Association is, by common consent, the first citizen of the community. This year this honor falls on Felipe B. Sun, a young, intelligent and substantial leader. The citizen-emeritus is Januario B. Sampayan, respected by employers and beloved by the masses in, whom every one has deep affection.

The Big Sisters of the Community is always the President of the Filipino Women's Club. The honor falls on MRS. PAULINA MORALES. The most

outstanding Filipina Mother is college-bred, beautiful and highly cultured, Mrs. Ramona Green Losada by popular choice. The popular Mother-emeritus is Mrs. Mary Caletisen. The junior leaders are headed by the President of the Filipino Community Organization of Salinas Valley. This honor falls on Santiago Geray, who is gallivanting around sunny California at present. Into his shoes Vice-President Manuel Luz, handsome young merchant of the valley. Arsenio Arciaga, F. Mason, Vicente Calsado, Ciriaco Epistoia, Felipe Quitevis, N. Soriano, Ray Camcam, Val Arellano, Vic Claderon and Manuel Neres are samples of young leaders who are destined to carry on with the load. There are many of his brand.  
Honorable Mentions

Salinas Filipinos have only one professional practitioner. He is Serapion Buenafe Ledesma, physician and surgeon.

There are two churches that take care of the spiritual life of our colonists in the valley: The Filipino Community Church and the Pentecostal Church of the Filipino Assemblies of the First Born.

Rev. Ambrosio M. Patacsil leads the spiritual life of his people and Mariano Della is the Sunday school leader; Mr. Gordon is the Sunday school teacher. He's an American, but he might just as well be considered a Filipino because he's simply a good Filipino, that's all.

There are three wholesale farmers in the valley. They raise dry beans, sugar beets and vegetable for millers and for well-known coast-to-coast shippers. They are not to be confused with truck gardeners who peddle their produce in towns' free markets; they are wholesale farmers who operate in terms of thousands of dollars and heavy pay roll for laborers. They are Antonio Oaletisen, Marcelo G. Laygan and Andres Madolora. The maintenance of this Filipino-owned Church falls under the leadership of Juan F. Cacas, who is assisted by the various community leaders.

If Salinas Filipino newspapers deserves mention, which we question very much, its growth, or possibly its decay -- is the only doubtful side of this bright report. There is only one newspaper in the valley. If we remember right, its name is the Philippines Mail, considered by its editors as not the largest but the best among Filipino newspapers in the country. Imagine -- The mail enjoys the postal franchise of second class publication on account of its paid circulation and has but one ambitious platform: "To bring the Filipinos in America closer together."

To all readers and friends, we give you our solid, sustaining Filipino community of Salinas Valley. Merry Christmas to you. And we do mean YOU.

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SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 1 January 1939, Page 3

### **Thru The Keyhole (1jan39)**

By Alfa

That Corrigidor Lodge installation and dance offering was undoubtedly the most successful ever held in this locality in many a moon... Well attended... Lots of skirts... Program and ritual exercises expertly executed... But the music was not so hot... Among those present: the former Rosie Antonio feathered in flaming red... Her sis, Consuelo Antonio, beaming with smiles of a happy and contented wife... The Bayhon sisters bundled with black knee-high adorned with lovely corsages rumored given by a Carmel admirer... Anita Cabaran, whose voice is as lovely as her face, rendering blues that made many lonely hearts asighing... Nita Alcantara with a far, far-away look in her eyes, dreaming perchance of the "dear one" left in Portland... Betty Romero, most sought for dance partner of the eve... Carmen Liwanag, who had to go home and change her gown to a knee-high so she could kick wide and high... Helen Rosina, gentle and timid as a lamb but astonishingly pretty... Sally Acompañado, beautician and, incidentally, the "dream girl" of a Salinas phy -- ... Miss Ingojo, a stranger, but the most popular gal in the crowd... Chayong Pagacian chaperoning her "Ate"... Ruby Maratas staying close to her hubby.

The Bazaar Dance was one of those things that popped up once in a lifetime... It was the noisiest imaginable... All had a swell and crazy time... The tunes were hot, as hot as tabasco... Laughter and romance, jitterbugs and wallflowers, chaperons and escorts (oh, why do they exist?), eats and drinks, they filled the capacious Armory... Our beloved Dean, Maning Insigne, topped the list of notables. Already past the age of reckless and irresponsible romance he secluded himself and busied his brains with the sweet thoughts and memories of a glorious past... Mr. Liwanag, profoundly concerned with fascinated by a "lady in red"... Eva Javier who judiciously blended seven colors in her person: brown and white shoes, pink stockings, black, yellow, red and green dress... A spectacular combination indeed!... A seven-toner, eh?... Tony Ramos marathon-dancing and marathon romancing with coed Fanny Gutierrez of my alma mammy... The Losadas, the Cacases, the Suns, the MORALESes and the Maratases were all there sharing the fun and frolic with the younger set, dancing, romancing, laughing... The Sampayans spent the moments playing "bingo"... And Doctor Ledesma?... Ah, my friends, he is my friend, he is their friend, he is everybody's friend... In short he was all over the floor... Vic Calderon still portraying the sign of his lost interest in Pinays... Alex Alcantara, a tall, handsome regular fellow with the ala-Caesar Romero mustache.

AT RANDOM: -- What's the matter with Watsonville people?... Their dances of late have been flops... Plenty of pants but few blouses... Is it true what they say about Mary Caliso's haven of happiness in Frisco?... Why is it that Mercedes Rabillo and Millie Mahomot are not on speaking terms?... Reasons,, please... Are you sure you aren't missing that athlete in Long Beach, Eva Javier?... An apology to you, Mimi Reyes for connecting your name with Tiny Benny

Culala... Didn't know that Ben was after Flor instead of you... If I were young and single again and would hunt for a better half, Leonor Rivera would be my first choice... A typical Pinay and I bet she could cook the pinacbet, too... Which reminds me of a girl friend who always served me adobo manok whenever I dropped in at her resta... A sure bet: Pacita Todtod will eventually come out the winner in the participation contest... With Flora Inerio second and Eleanor Galves third... With Helen Rosina bringing the rear... Wonder who was the admirer that bought your box in Stockton, Salomy Corcino?... Had we met already Adeline Andrino?... Was greatly puzzled when Virginia Bayhon insisted I knew you intimately... Why is it that Dolores Caliso's mind is always way, way, way down south?

If I were Santa instead of Peeping Tom I would give: Mr. And Mrs. E. Ramirez a child, Mr. And Mrs. F. Maratas a musical toy and a life-sized doll... Mr. And Mrs. Pablo Tangonan a one-way ticket to the Philippines... Mr. And Mrs. C. B. Sales more vegetables but no meat... Mr. And Mrs. J. B. Sampayan a book on "How to Raise a Baby"... Mr. And MRS. C. C. MORALES a train load of laundry: pants, shirts, coats, and dresses... Mr. And Mrs. Johnny Cacas a booklet on "How to Practice Birth Control"... Mr. And Mrs. Losada at least one baby boy... Mr. And Mrs. Antonio Caletisen, a motor boat with glass bottom; P. M. Olivete, bigger pockets for old newspapers; Philip Sun's children, a ton of fried noodles; Joe Culala, a strong elixir of life -- you know, Joe, at 6 o'clock the sun sets, the shadows are long, and soft and lonesome. Catch on?

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 1 January 1939, Page 1

### **Contractors Elect Annual Officers; Re-Elect Sun**

The Filipino Labor Supply Association of Monterey County, Inc, held its annual election of officers for the year 1939 at the social hall of the Community Church on California street last Friday evening. The results of the election are as follows:

F. B. Sun succeeds himself as president. Arsenio Areja rose from assistant secretaryship to the vice-presidency. R. B. Sampayan also succeeds himself as treasurer. M. R. Galiccia is the new secretary; J. F. Cacas, who has a greater volume of work as chairman of the board of trustees of the Community Church was given the assistant secretaryship of the association in deference to his wishes.

B. R. Losada, a new member of the association was elected to the office of auditor. Young but having legions of friends in California is CLEMENTE C. MORALES, who was elected publicity director of the Association. Domingo Gabisan and F. S. Maratas were elected sergeants-at-arms. J. B. Sampayan had to beg his way out of the association's official roster on the ground that he is intending to visit the Philippines sometime in the coming year.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 1 January 1939, Page 1

## **Rizal Day Services Voted Big Business; Led By Val Arellano**

By The Caliph

Simple, impressive, and, by far, the most highly intelligent program ever framed to commemorate the 42nd anniversary of the martyrdom of Dr. Jose Rizal, hero of the Filipinos and idol of the Malayan race. That was the verdict of foreign visitors, a tribute which the Filipino community of Salinas valley modestly, but with pardonable pride, received on the occasion of the rendition of the Rizal day program at the Community Church last Friday evening, Dec. 30, under the management of the young leaders of the valley.

Val Arellano, toastmaster par excellence of the evening, opened the program with an eloquent but charmingly simple introductory remarks. He explained why the Brown Brothers and the American visitors were gathered in such a solemn occasion. The orchestra played Philippine airs that, for a while, transported the vast audience in thoughts back to the Motherland. Rev. Ambrosio Patacsil, minister of the Community Church, pronounced a touching and solemn invocation dedicated to the spiritual redemption of a new people.

Mrs. Ramona Green Losada, young and beautiful, the most popular Mother of the valley, as main speaker, delivered a brilliant cross-section of Filipino life in America. She spared none, but she understood all. She did not condemn her people like others are wont to do, but she tried her best to understand, and to offer remedy to, the social ills of her people. She spoke as only a mother could -- with love, with understanding, with compassion. She dwelt upon those who had opportunities for improvement but failed to take advantage of their native talents; those harmless megalomaniacs known as egotists who have only a smattering of knowledge of things and compared them to airtight balloons that burst with the slightest pricking of the pin; those who have struggled unaided against adverse circumstances and powerful odds and won their battles not only for their own profit but also for the glory of their Mother Country. Mrs. Losada's speech was classic, worthy of perpetuation in any language.

Mrs. Adelia Cacas, young, pretty, the Pet Sister of the Community, recited a patriotic poem in Tagalog which, translated liberally means "the plea of the oppressed." She rose to the empyrean height of the Philippine Parnassus and excelled herself only in the beauty of her recitation. The pathos, the solemnity, the strong patriotism of a liberty-loving people breathed in the brave, agonizing poem of pain and love of country. The heart of the audience was saturated with all this, and the tender swelling of a piano accompaniment rendered by none other than the author of the poem herself, Mrs. Losada again, wiped away many a threatening tear from the eyes of the audience.

Mrs. Maxima Sampayan and MRS. PAULINA MORALES, the latter the Big Sister of the Community and President of the Filipino Woman's Club of the

valley, rendered a musical love skit in Tagalog depicting a rustic life in the brave hinterlands of the Philippines. This is a surprise number and every one tingled with romance and thrills of love-making to those beautiful islands of the East.

Other brilliant numbers of the program were: an eloquent oration delivered by Roman Adviento, a Junior College; a piano duet by nimble-fingered Losada sisters, little Rosalind and littler Lucille, both pretty and sweet; a saxophone solo by David Lobrin; and a modern vocal solo by Ray Canicam, the top singer of the valley.

The program ended with the usual singing of America and the Philippine National Anthem by the audience.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 1 January 1939, Page 1

### **Morales Junior Fetes Natal Day With 100 Guests**

Little CLEMENTE MORALES, Jr, assisted by his father and mother, played host to a hundred guests at a buffet dinner in his home last Friday night on the occasion of his seventh birthday.

As always characterized by MORALES parties, this big dinner was much bigger than their previous offerings. After dinner at 7:00 o'clock, the guests attended the Rizal day program at the Community Church and were requested to come back for coffee, cakes and cookies. Those who preferred cocktails, wines and soft drinks were generously served.

Among the guests were: Mr. And Mrs. B. R. Losada and children, Mr. And Mrs. Arsenio Areja, Mr. And Mrs. F. S. Maratas, Mr. And Mrs. L. Daquioag, Mr. And Mrs. J. F. Cacas, Mr. And Mrs. V. Ma Magistrado, Mrs. Ida Alcantara and children, Alec, Nita and Dolores, Mrs. Pete Galves and daughters, Rosalind and Eleanor, Mrs. Cecilia Geray and daughter Gloria, Mrs. Esther Sun and sons Rudy and Jerry, Mrs. Maxima Sampayan, Miss Helen Rosina and Mother Rosina, R. B. Sampayan, Cosme Brazil, Santiago Geray, Victor Calderon, Val Arellano, Bal Sanchez, Macario Collado, Manuel Raras, Dr. S. B. Ledesma, Manuel M. Insigne. Aw, heck, you name the rest; there are so many of them.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 1 January 1939, Page 1

### **Xmas Program For Children Held In Church**

The healthy growth of the Filipino community of Salinas valley was demonstrated to the public last Sunday, when a second generation of children took part in the well-prepared Christmas program held in the Community Church under the direction of Mrs. Laureana Patacsil, assisted by Mrs. Maxima Sampayan.

The program consisted of recitations, singing of Christmas carols, and declamations as well as piano selections. Figuring in the program were the Losada

children, and the children of: Olivete, Garcia, Areja, Galicia, Della, Geray, Sun, and many others.

After the program, Santa Claus, in the person of Flaviano Maratas, distributed Christmas gifts to both young and old. A great big Christmas tree donated by the Philippine Trading Company was brilliantly lighted under which were deposited hundreds of cards and packages which were distributed to the congregation.

The Filipino Labor Supply Association gave a turkey and chicken Christmas dinner to the hundreds who attended the Christmas program. The young people of the valley and wives of the senior leaders assisted in serving the dinner to the guests. Expenses of the Christmas program was donated by several societies led by the Caballeros de Dimas Alang. MRS. PAULINA MORALES, president of the Filipino Women's Club, was in charge of preparation.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 23, January 1939, Page 2

### **The Keyhole (23jan39)**

This is chiseling in on ALPA who happened to be sleeping on the job. The dirtiest deal I ever got the first of the year was when I came home early the first Sunday of this month with a hangover heavier than a ton of bricks. I went on a bender and got all wet. The fire hydrant under my window went beserk and the geyser took a good pot shot at my bed. Like a little frog bent on revenge I tried to drink all the water from the spouting hydrant and got so drunk I had to be treated with spirit of ammonia.

Well so much for that. At the New York Grill I got lost among married women, bachelors and charming young ladies. Those married women of the Salad Bowl, they're so pretty I could poison their husbands if only the law would go easy on me. Every time the last child gets big enough to munch an apple these married folks renew their love-making. And on New Year's Eve, their romancing was without end, it seems.

Speaking of resolutions, here's what some of those married ladies resolved to do:

Ramona Losada-To keep my children good, model children; to love my husband more and more.

Adelia Cacas-To keep on telling my husband it's good to be president of the Community Church's Board of Trustees.

(DNL) the side of my husband always.

Esther Sun-To help keep my husband's and my children's good health.

Ruby Maratas-To keep on loving that certain baby boy.

PAULINA MORALES-To be more understanding of human limitations, to be a friend to my son always.

Seen and heard: Nita Alcantara with Val Arellano peeping into different booths in same restaurant. They celebrated New Year's Eve with Nita's mother, Mrs. Ida Alcantara and sister and brother, Dolores and Alec, and Bal Sanchez, the old family friend. Having a dreadful fear of cold and feeling slightly under the weather one other friend could not be with this group.

Questions that you may not answer: Who presented Mr. Insigne with an over-sized wine-colored lounging robe? Who is Mr. Cosme Brasil's satorial adviser whenever he goes shopping in San Francisco? How many hats did he buy and did he forget to match his new tuxedo with a new vest? When will Dr. Ledesma revive badminton? Who is tidying up Joe Culala's barber shop? How much did Sultan Lozares spend for that Valentine greeting card which he sent her by transpacific clipper? Where is Sheik P. D. Bandalan hiding himself nowadays? Can you guess the name of that very eligible young man paying visit to Betty Romero regularly? Did Chayong Pagacian say Sister Betty loves to say she hardly does. Where did Cesario Valen go when he got lost four days after Christmas; what did he do there?

We're missing your steamed fish these days...

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 23, January 1939, Page 2

### **Cda Grand Lodge Semi-Annual Meet In City Of Stockton**

Stockton, Calif.-A three-fold event brought about by the assemblage of the Caballeros de Dimas Alang grand lodge dignitaries took place in this city from last Tuesday to the full day and night of last Saturday. First it was the semi-annual meeting of the grand lodge of the order; second, on Saturday, it was the funeral of the late Miss Florence Ninouevo, who died in a head-on collision one early morning several weeks ago near Dalano; third, on Saturday, it was the last tabulation of the Filipino Participation in the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition contest for queen in which several young Filipino girls are contestants.

The adjudged winners in this contest are Pacita Todtod, first as Queen of Participation; Eleanor Galvez, second; Flora Enerio, third; Esperanza Carino, fourth; Helen Rosina, fifth.

Prominent members of the Caballeros de Dimas and high grand lodge officers were in town the last five days. The grand lodge semi-annual meeting was presided over by Grand Master Felipe Inocencio, assisted by Grand Secretary G. S. Moreno, C. T. Alfafara, secretary of the Participation, and Leo Escalante, general chairman, attended to the tabulation. The delegates to semi-annual meeting of the order took part in the necrological services over the remains of Miss Ninonuevo.

Besides prominent members and high dinitaries from Salinas, B. R. Losada, C. C. MORALES, J. F. Cacas, Cosme Brasil, F. B. Sun and many others, Gabriel D. Javier, Felipe Areliano, Flaviano Maratas and Alejo Filomeno were in

the meeting as delegates of Rizal Lodge No. 3. Regidor of Stockton was host to visiting delegates.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 7 April 1939, Page 1

### **Coastal Filipinos Laud Elizalde**

On the occasion of the formal opening of the Philippine Pavillion on Treasur Island of which he was principal speaker, and the reception and ball in honor of the Philippine Commission to the Golden Gate International Exposition, also on Treasure Island, Honorable Joaquin M. Elizalde, Resident Commission of the Philippines to the United States, flew from Washington, D. C, to San Francisco more than a week ago. On these two occasions and on the third where he played host to Filipinos in a "lechonada" party at the Manila Inn, Commissioner Elizalde had the occasion to meet leading Filipinos of the Pacific Coast who, in representation of their respective constituencies, lauded Mr. Elizalde as "the most constructive as well as most efficient representative of the Philippine Government to the United States. As a token of their appreciation of Mr. Elizalde's sincere interest in the welfare and protection of continental Filipinos, addressed the following letter to President Manuel L. Quezon in Manila: March 29, 1939

His Excellency Manuel L. Quezon President of the Philippines Manila Sir:

We, the undersigned, in representation of our respective organizations located in various sections of the Pacific Coast, take this humble means of conveying to Your Excellency our most sincere expression of profound gratitude for your wisdom in selecting the Honorable Joaquin M. Elizalde as our Resident Commissioner to the United States. Commissioner Elizalde is conducting his difficult office with sincere interest and courageous intelligence not only in representing the Philippine Commonwealth to the Government of the United States, but also in protecting the rights of our nationals. We of the Pacific Coast are especially cognizant of Commissioner Elizalde is effectively accomplishing definite results in his energetic efforts to pursue Your Excellency's program of social justice as applied to our nationals in this country. In no other time than now did we of the Pacific Coast, feel the reality of Your Excellency's genuine interest in the protection and welfare of our people abroad. Commissioner Elizalde had the loyal and patriotic support of Pacific Coast Filipinos who are also in loyal cooperation with our nationals on the Atlantic Coast, in the Gulf States and in other sections of the country. While thus being made to receive a new dispensation and to face a new dawn because of Your Excellency's wise selection of those who pathless are with Commissioner Elizalde who because of the limitation of his office, is faced with tremendous difficulties over which he has no physical control. We hope and pray that in your wisdom Your Excellency will find Divine Guidance in helping Commissioner Elizalde in pursuing to a happier conclusion your program of social justice as applied to our national in the United

States. With fervent prayers for Your Excellency's continued good health and with sincere assurance of our unreserved loyalty to the best interest of the Philippines and of our countrymen, we beg to remain Always yours to command,  
Signatures and Organizations City or District Lto. Malinab, Labor Chairman.  
Sacramento and Vicinity T. C. Makrket, Filipino Community.  
Sacramento and Vicinity Victor Bacho, President Filipino Community.  
Sacramento F. Valesco, Filipino Community.  
Sacramento Leo Cabrera, secretary Filipino Community.  
Sacramento Elias Caradilla, Law and Order.  
Sacramento Cesar B. Avila, Sacramento Community.  
Sacramento Sebastian Ynosanto, United Filipino Churc.  
Stockton Bartolome Navararro, Kalasag Association.  
Stockton Macario D. Bautista, M. D, President Filipino Community.  
Stockton Manuel M. Insigne, Technical Adviser, N. & C. C B. A.  
Salinas Juan F. Cacas, pres, Board Trustees, Filipino Community Church.  
Salinas F. B. Sun, president Filipino Labor Supply Association.  
Salinas M. Collado, president Filipino Community.  
Salinas MRS. PAULINA MORALES, president Filipino Womens Club Salinas  
(Editor's Note: These are incomple signatures because at the present writing, March 29, the original letter is being signed in different communities by more leaders).

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 6 February 1939, Page 1

### **Eugene Cacas Fetes Birthday**

GRAVES DISTRICT, Salinas. -- The home of Mr. And Mrs. Johny Cacas was filled with noisy little children last Thursday on the occasion of the third birthday celebration of little Eugene Cacas, their son. Games were played by the raucous little guests and ice cream was served to their hearts delight.

Those in attendance were the Losada children, Rudy and Jerry Sun, Julian Avila, Jr. And Rosemary Guerrero. CLEMENTE MORALES, Jr. Acted as the monitor and toastmaster during the games.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 7 April 1939, Page 1

### **Community Elects Officers For 1939; Inauguration Is Set For April 15th; Dancing**

Public Relations Office Is Created To Which Sampayan and Manuel Luz Are Appointed

Quezon Informed of Asparagus Cutters Association

STOCKTON, Calif. -- The formation of the Filipino agricultural workers of San Joaquin and Sacramento Valleys, which took place 1st week, was immediately cabled to President Manuel L. Quezon of the Philippines B. the

newly-elected president, Dr. Macario bautista of Stockton. The text of the cable follows:

Stockton, April 2, 1939. President Manuel L. Quezon Malacanang Palace, Manila, Philippines.

Under Mr. Varona's initiative 6000 Filipino asparagus workers of Stockton and Sacrameno valleys formed for first time the Filipino Agricultural Workers Association to defend their rights and to maintain American standard of wages. (signed)

Macario Bautista, M. D.  
President.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 7 April 1939, Page 1

### **Sons Of Cagayan Elect Officers For 1939**

The Associated Sons of Cagayan, one of the popular societies of the valley, last Sunday held an election of officers for the present year. Those elected were: S. V. Bautista, president; N. Adviento, vice-president; E. Quilente secretary; A. Aquino, treasurer; C. Diego, auditor. The new officers by appointment are: B. Ligsay, under-secretary; S. Miranda, under-treasurer. The Board of Advisors is composed of F. Collado, chairman; B. Cruz, M. Recacho, A. Tejano, members. F. Garcia and L. Gomez were elected sargent-at-arms. The social hall of the Filipino Community Church on California street was packed to standing room only one Sunday evening last month on the occasion of the election of the 1939 community officials. As usual the leadership of the community was given entirely to young leaders who found it. One peculiar difficulty was the senior leaders of the community had to surmount in connection with the recent election was in lining up the candidates for officials of the ensuing year. For reason that the senior leaders were already sufficiently situated as to leadership none of them consented to become candidates. According to visiting Filipinos from other sections, the Salinas Filipino Community has one peculiar trait in that while in other communities there generally takes place a mad scramble for public office, in Salinas there is that enviable galantry on the part of leaders to give way to the younger element whose capabilities are given opportunity for actual leadership. In the election last month this was again proven, and the following were elected: President, Macario Collado, a dry goods merchant of Salinas valley, a geology student, alumnus of the University of Oklahoma and Northwestern University and member of the American Mining congress. Vice-President, Gabriel D. Javier, religious worker by training, former farmer and labor contractor, one of the old guard of the community. Secretary, Antonio Ramos, a holder of a Master of Arts degree from the University of California. Assistant Secretary, Alfredo Abad, alumnus of the University of Nevada and majored in the social sciences. Treasurer, Val Arellano, holder of bachelor of arts degree from

the University of California, major in economics. Assitant Treasurer, R. B. Sampayan, of the famous clan of that name. He belongs to the elders of the community, a well-beloved labor contractor. Auditor, MRS. PAULINA MORALES, present president of the Filipino Women's Club of Monterey county, an oustaning leader and forceful public speaker. Public Relations, by appointment; J. B. Sampayan, chairman; Manuel M. Isigne, members. The man responsible for the election of the above officials and who is at present popularly known as the Jim Farley of Salinas Valley is Bohemian Baltazar Sanchez, who went out of his way and campained for the election of his candidates. Mr. Sanchez is chemistry student at the Unversity of California who has plans to enter the University of Iowa to pursue his studies. Inauguration of the newly-elected officials will be held on the 15th if this month with Mrs. Ramona Green Losada as chairman of the Inauguration Committe. The committee, according to tentative plan, is now preparing a short literary program to be followed by a dance for the rest of the evening.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 7 April 1939, Page 1

### **Rudy Sun Fetes Fifth Natal Day**

On the occasion of the fifth birthday of Little Rudy Sun, 14 juvenile guests were gathered on March 8 at the home of Mr. And Mrs. F. B. Sun on Market street. Those who attended were the Losada-children, Eugene Cacas, Junior CLEMENTE MORALES, Jerry Sun and the Molinery children, who ar ethe Suns' next-door neighbors. There were singing, dancing parlor games and plenty of eats for the kiddies.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 22 April 1939, Page 1

### **Two-Day Asparagus Strike Ends Successfully; Demand Granted To 6,000 Workers**

Newly Formed Association Will Start Negotiations for 1940 Uniform Contracts

Stockton, Calif, -- The two-day strike called by both the Filipino asparagus cutters and labor contractors in San Joaquin and Sacramento Valleys on Good Friday and Saturday ended with a complete victory for the strikers. The strike was called, not against the asparagus industry, but against growers who refused to grant the laborers' demands. The demands were: restoration of 1938 wages which basically amount to \$1.10 per hundred pounds of asparagus, adjustment of wages in places where working conditions are difficult resulting in the granting of at least \$1.45 per hundred pounds as applied to cannery green, and housing facilities in conformity with the labor code of the State of California.

During the two-day tie-up of the more than half of the asparagus industry in this area, growers and employers jammed the hiring hall of the Filipino Agricultural Laborers Association of San Joaquin and Sacramento Valleys to sign

agreements conforming with the demands of the Association. As a result of this victory, an estimated \$350,000 were added to the 1939 payroll of the asparagus cutters.

(Editor's Note: The full story of the strike as reported in various American papers of California is reprinted in this issue).

Immediately following the close of negotiations with all the growers, a victory mass meeting was held the following Monday, April 10, where Hon. Francisco Varona, as usual, was principal speaker. Mr. Varona counseled his countrymen against excesses in celebrating victory. He urged them to cooperate with their employers and not to be "sassy" with them now that they were victorious.

Mr. Varona, further, thanked his people for their loyalty to the Philippine government. In the course of his victory speech he took especial occasion to pay tribute to President Manuel L. Quezon and to Resident Commissioner Joaquin M. Elizalde who, he said, were deeply and sincerely concerned with the welfare and protection of Filipinos abroad. On his mention of President Quezon and Commissioner Elizalde, Mr. Varona was cheered to the echo and salvos of "Mabuhay si Quezon; Mabuhay si Elizalde" reverberated again and again in the vast meeting hall.

After Mr. Varona's speech the serious task of laying out plans for the maintenance of the newly-formed association was started. Dr. Macario D. Bautista, president pro tempore, announced the raising of funds not only for membership but also for the purpose of building a community recreation center for Filipinos both spoke in Tagalog. He was accompanied by Jose Cabarrubias, secretary to Hon. Arsenio Luz, and M. Silva, president of the Philippine Commonwealth Club of San Francisco.

Mrs. Ramona Losada, who, as chairman of the program committee, was to be master of ceremonies that night was suddenly taken ill. She was substituted by F. B. Sun, president of the Filipino Labor Supply Association who, in turn, turned the program over to Manuel M. Insigne, who had just returned from the asparagus strike area of Stockton and Sacramento.

The program consisted of: musical selection; opening remarks by the master of ceremonies; vocal solo by Mrs. Marina Malvas; speech by David Peres de Tagle; vocal duet by Misses Simplicia and Mary Omectin; presentation of officers; banjo solo by Sal Molo; closing remarks by ex-president Santiago Geray; and another selection by the orchestra.

The newly-elected officers of the Community are: Macario G. Collado, president; Gabriel D. Javier, vice-president; Antonio Ramos, secretary; Alfredo Abad, assistant secretary; Valentin Arellano, treasurer; R. B. Sampayan, assistant treasurer; and PAULINA MORALES, auditor.

It is better to be faithful than famous. -- Theodore Roosevelt.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 22 April 1939, Page 1

### **Little Jerry Fetes His Third Birthday**

Again the home of Mr. And Mrs. F. B. Sun, number one son of Salinas valley, was the end of a birthday party when the third birthday anniversary of Jerry Sun was celebrated on Monday night, April 10. Jerry is the second son of Mr. And Mrs. Sun.

Over a dozen juvenile guests gathered around the table and showered Jerry with many best wishes and many happy returns of the day. Songs and speeches and games were the entertainment of the night. CLEMENTE MORALES, Jr, did his part very well as master of ceremonies. The Losada sisters rendered vocal selections.

Those present were: Eugene Cacas, CLEMENTE MORALES, Jr, Rudy Sun, Rosalind Losada and her two sisters; and the Molinery children. The kiddies had plenty of ice cream, cakes and soda pop.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 13 May 1939, Page 1

### **Benefit Dance Of Valley Community Set For May 20th**

In order to raise funds for its future activities, the Filipino Community of Salinas Valley will hold a series of activities, among which is a benefit dance to be held next Saturday evening, May 20, at the Foresters Hall. In charge of the affair are the following committees and members:

Invitation committee: G. D. Javier, chairman; E. R. Liwanag, Mrs. F. Maratas and Mrs. Ramona Losada, members.

Box social committee: E. R. Liwanag, chairman; Val Arellano, Vic Calderon and Clyde Isaac, members.

Permit: Antonio Ramos and M. G. Collado.

Door Committee: Mrs. Ruby Maratas, chief; MRS. PAULINA MORALES, assistant.

Ribbons committee: Fred Cabacungan, chairman; A. A. Seveces, member.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 13 May, 1939, Page 1

### **Mother's Day To Be Observed In Local Church**

Under the auspices of the Filipino Women's Club of Salinas, Mother's Day will be honored in the Community Church tomorrow afternoon at the regular worship hour. Mrs. Ramona Losada was recently chosen to take charge of the short program that has been prepared by the Filipino mothers of the valley.

In addition to the regular service the Mother's Day program is as follows:

1. Prelude- Mrs. J. B. Sampayan.
2. Song- by the Congregation.
3. Invocation- Pastor Ambrosio Patacsil.

4. Song Choir- "To Mothers Far Away".
5. Poem- Rosalinda Losada.
6. Solo- Mrs. J. B. Sampayan, "A Shrine Within My Heart".
7. Tribute- Mr. Val Arellano.
8. Vocal duet.
9. Message- MRS. C. C. MORALES.
10. Song by Choir- "God Bless Our Mothers".
11. Benediction.
12. Postlude.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 27 May 1939, Page 1

### **Miss Galves Guest Of Community Hop Last Saturday Nite**

Miss Eleanor Galves, acclaimed by beauty experts the most beautiful and most typical Filipina on the coast, was the guest of honor on the occasion of the Salinas Filipino Community dance held last Saturday evening at the Foresters Hall. She was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Maria Galves. Miss Galves was also acclaimed as the inspiration of the present administration.

In spite of the absence of several leaders in the community the dance was fairly well attended, mostly from other communities. San Luis Obispo and Pismo Beach were represented by Mr. Isaias Abutas and two officials, respectively. Watsonville, San Francisco, Roseville, Stockton, and San Jose Communities were also represented.

Local business firms have also shown their spirit of cooperation. Many of them gave away prizes through the efforts of one of the communities appointed by the president of the community, Macario G. Collado.

The prize donated by E. H. Clapperton Jewelry firm was won by Miss Gloria Juflar of Salinas; from Karl's Shoe Store was won by Miss Frances Gutierrez, also of Salinas; from A. L. Brown & Sons, won by Miss Frances MORALES of Spreckels; from Cabacungan Dry Goods Store, won by Miss Carmen Liwanag of Salinas; from National Dollar Stores, won by Miss Eleanor Galves of Roseville; from Baguio Hotel was won by MRS. MORALES; and from The Philippine Trading company was won by Miss Eva Javier of Soledad.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 27 May 1939, Page 1

### **Card Of Thanks**

To All Friends:

On the occasion of the late Rufino Aquino's demise and on behalf of his sorrowing family and relatives, the undersigned wish to express their sincere thanks to those who attended the funeral and those who sent their condolences. We also wish to thank the Filipino Woman's Club, represented by MRS.

PAULINA MORALES and Mrs. J. B. Sampayan and their families in sharing our bereavement.

(Signed)  
MARIANO PADUA,  
BENIGNO AQUINO

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 27 May 1939, Page 1

### **Woman's Club To Sponsor Dance June 17th**

To revive the activities of the Filipino Women's club of California, President PAULINA MORALES revealed last week that the club contemplates sending regular donations to some charitable organizations in the Philippines. Of all civic organizations in the valley, excepting the fraternal orders, the Filipino Women's Club is considered to be the most solvent, financially.

A series of public activities will be studied soon, MRS. MORALES said. On June 17, the club will hold a benefit dance at the Foresters hall. Mrs. Mary Caletisen, most beloved mother of the valley, will be the hostess of the evening. MRS. MORALES said that all the members of their club will wear Filipina costume during the dance.

Mrs. Marina Malvas and Mrs. Maxima Sampayan were appointed program and invitation committees. They said that Miss Pacita Todtod and Miss Eleanor Galves, elected Miss Philippines and Miss Luzon respectively have assured the club their presence to the dance.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 30 June 1939, Page 2

### **The Keyhole (30jan39)**

By Alec L. Fabos

Guess who's the girl Vilma Roche calls "CHOO-CHOO"? Take my word for it that Sammy Mendez and Carmen Liwanag will soon announce their engagement. And don't you know that Mameng is a good hostess? She proved that during her recent house-warming party... Why is it that S. Ventura Bautista always talks about Los Angeles and holidays

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Pancho To Fight Smaray? I'd like to find out... Doctor Ledesma was seen waring  
a smile that won't come off.

Delfin de la Cruz, should always stay behind the scene because he's a  
newsie, thinks that Eleanor Galvez is every inch a typical Filipina. Which means  
that our publisher is just repeating what Community President Mack Collado has  
said about the Roseville beauty. I only hope that Mercedes Rabillo of Redwood  
City didn't get flabbergasted when her best beau from Salinas didn't show up at  
her dance. You sure have the heart to forgive him, Mercy. As I understand that's

the fourth time he put you in the icebox. No wonder you're popular and have a great following. Because of that forgiving soul of yours you're bound to make and hold friends.

I often see Taslo of Burlingame frequenting the Ligaya Pool hall in San Mateo. Did this new someone from the Philippines strike you squarely on the forehead, buddy?...And Felipe Arellano, when will you make that long promised visit to Miss Lolita Caray? I suppose she's expecting you anytime now? Gwan, Fil, and don't get cold feet.

Since when did Fred Taporco and Millie Mahomot start flirting with each other? rumor has it that Fred's flowers and frequent visits to the hospital have done miracles to the amazingly quick recovery of Mil. Atta boy, Freddie, keep it up. Everybody wants to see her get out of that confinement in a jiffy...if possible months ahead of her doctor's orders...Gee,it's swell to see petite and glamorous Betty Romero back in our social hangouts. Her one year's absence hasn't in the least dimmed her popularity among the boys. The great and unequalled enthusiasm shown her by the males during the "box social" would attest to that... And the number of gents swarming around, her asking her hands for a dance was six deep. Yes, to put it mildly she's still the life of the party... What's going on betwixt Lucia and Felix? Is it love or just friendship?

Eva Javier says that her certain coast guard steady is plenty mad at her. Don't take it seriously, Eva, for he'll come back. Boys always do...Mar Caliso is getting prettier and cuter every; timemy peepers' light happens to spread on her. Is it the Frisco weather that made the changes, Mary, or something else? I wonder...Vickie Calderon was seen in a very confidential mood with a good-looking damsel named "Sally", at the Liwanag's party. Seemed that something was brewing Anita Cabaran of Alvarado seems to have a far, far away look in her eyes again these days. Don't tell me a certain bug got you, Nita. And by the way, who's this newest heart throb? Is he the same fellow I used to know? Sally Buenavista of Nile,uh?

Mariano Lozares, Salinas famous tonsorial dictator, is contemplating abandoning his present trade in favor of photography. Since the Unholy picnic the Sultan has been confining himself in the "dark", learning the rudiments of developing and printing. Emilio de Guzman, his perennial antagonist, has even gone to the extreme, suggesting that he transform his famous Luneta Barber Shop into a "studio"... Prediction"Val Arellano and Mary Omictin will soon face the minister and answer him with the "I do's" sometime this year...Looking forward; Felipe Sun is looking forward to the time when Filipinos in this area will have REAL music. He claims that we have not had a decent music treatment the last 12 years. Most of the orchestras furnishing the noises are disorganized and play tunes as old as your great-great grandfather... Unanimous choice: Mr. And Mrs. F. Malbas are the happiest couple in this locality. The way they have been behaving

in these social functions verifies that allegation. They act as if they were just married a week ago...

Peas in the same pod: Manuel M. Insigne has a physical and mental resemblance to Irvin Cobb, the famous author and radio comedian...Most enthusiastic rooters. Dalin Rigunay and Mrs. Malbas. In all boxing and wrestling bouts these two Pinays have the distinction of overshadowing anybody in the arena. They always give rigorous exercise to their tonsils...Everying admits that the recent women's club dance was a financial success. Exception" the music was the lousiest. Not very conducive to middle-aged people to kick the kink out of their fast stiffening legs... You should have seen the fireworks at the church. Vic Calderon and Mrs. Lozada had a heated argument about the definition of "personality"... MRS. C. C. MORALES ws a lovely bundle and the object of unbiased admiration during the dance. Her Filipina dress in yellowish tinge was the prettiest "loose epidermis" I have ever seen...

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 30 June 1939, Page 1

### **Community Organization Expects To Enter Better Float This Coming Colmo**

G. D. Javier Heads Various Committees Created to Look After Filipino Big Week Participation

An unprecedented enthusiasm of the Filipinos in Salinas Valley, under the leadership of the local community organization, is a sure sign that they are determined to enter an impressive float to participate in the Colmo del Rodeo pageantry, culminating the Big Week festival, July 15. Prominent and responsible persons were assigned to the various committees to look after the participation.

This year G. D. Javier was appointed chairman with J. B. Sampayan, one of the ranking Filipino contractors, assistant chairman, and Antonio Ramos, Val Arellano, community president Macario Collado, members.

In a community meeting held recently at the Filipino Church and Center, the finance committee submitted a good sum of voluntary contributions from the boys in the camps. Nevertheless they were instructed by Gen. Chairman Javier to double up their collections.

Community President Collado is confident that the participation will be a tremendous success. He issued an appeal to all Filipinos to give their due share in defraying the expenses.

Mrs. B. R. Loosed, charming wife of the general chairman of the participation last year, is assigned to head the decoration and costume committee, while Johnny Cacas, as usual, is the head man for collections.

Up to the present time, however, it is not learned who are the beauties who will grace the float. Last year the CDA contestants rode in the entered float.

For the general public's information, herein are the names of the authorized members of the finance committee:

Mr. J. F. Cacas, chairman; Dr. S. Ledesma, assistant chairman; Members- Mr. M. Galicia, Mr. F. Cabacungan, Mr. P. Nava, Mr. C. Brasil, Mr. Gerona, Mr. F. Maratas, Mr. C. MORALES, Mr. F. Malvas, Mr. A. Areja, Mr. R. Sampayan, Mr. M. Nerez, Mr. J. Sampayan, Mr. B. Cruz, Jr, Mr. C. Sales, Mr. A. Caletisen, Mr. E. Naldusa, Mr. C. Isaac, Mr. S. Alegarbes, Mr G. Javier, Mr. F. Sun.

The other committees created are:

Carpentry and designing-Mr. Pedro Acosta, chairman: Mr. H. Mainit, assistant; members-Mr. F. Imperial, Mr. B. Ligsay, Mrs. B. Losada.

Electric lighting and equipment-Mr. Wamil, chairman; Mr. H. Mainit, assistant; Mr. J. Soriano, member.

Decoration and costume- Mrs. B. Losada, chairman; Mrs. J. Sampayan, assistant; members-Mrs. F. Maratas, Mrs. F. Sun, Mrs. A. Caletisen, Mrs. F. Malvas, Mrs. C. Sales, MRS. C. C. MORALES, Mr. Vic Calderon, Mr. M. Lozares, Mr. C. Valen, Mr. Emil de Guzmen, Mrs. J. F. Cacas.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 30 June 1939, Page 1

### **Declamation Contest Plan Of F. C. Endeavor**

Under the auspices of the Filipino Christian Endeavor a declamation contest will be held at the Filipino Church and Center sometime N. August. This was agreed in their last meeting at the Center last Sunday, June 28.

According to Gregorio Aquino, Jr, a University of Utah graduate, four local Filipinos have willingness to participate. These four are Raymond Camcam, Pedro Voloria, Vicente Calsado, and P. T. Eduarte.

The prizes will be donated accordingly by, first, J. B. Sampayan and R. B. Sampayan; second, By F. B. Sun and Dr. S. B. Ledesma; and third by J. F. Cacas and MRS. C. C. MORALES.

At present they are looking for participants from the fairer sex. They are certain that some of the local girls will participate when approached by the committee in charge of the contest.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 30 June 1939, Page 1

### **Christening Fete At Cominos Hotel**

Mr. And Mrs. Tony Buran of the Beau Brummel tailoring shop, held an impromptu banquet and dance at the Cominos Hotel, Sunday evening, June 10, to fete the christening of their son, Robert, 11 months old.

The godparents of the child are: Miss Carmen Liwanag, Delphine Brooks, Billie Pine, Mariano Estigoy, and Rudy Dulay.

Those present tremendously enjoyed dancing after the hearty banquet. Among those present were:

Miss Norma MORALES, Ignacio Rafael, Miss Vilma Roche, Mr. And Mrs. T. Dumpit, Mr. And Mrs. J. B. Sampaan, Mr. And MRS. C. C. MORALES, Mr. And Mrs. F. Maratas, Mr. And Mrs. A. Brooks, Miss Betty Burke, Mr. And Mrs. M. G. Layugan, Mr. And Mrs. Leon de Asis, Mr. And Mrs. Clayton Blanco, Tom Estigoy, Robert Dumpit, Domingo Nastor, and Maximo Julian.

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Japanese Float Wins First Prize; Chinese and Kiddie Kapers, 2nd & 3rd Awards  
Movie Actor Leo Carillo Leads Parade; Over 8,000 Filipinos Swamp Main,  
Monterey, and Market Sts. By M. B. Masilongan

An estimated throng of more than 30,000 spectators, of which about 8000 were Filipinos, swarmed Main, Market and Monterey streets Saturday evening to see the most extravagant colmo del Rodeo parade that ever marched in Salinas, Scintillating floats lavishly decorated, blaring bands, marchers, drum corps and drill teams parade for more than an hour.

The parade, divided into six divisions, was led by Leo Carillo of Hollywood, who rode in an official car escorted by highway patrolmen. It started, after the official gun was fired at 8 o'clock, from Monterey and John streets and Marched up through Monterey where it turned to Market street and crawled on to Main street where it passed in review before the judges.

After the parade, the judges announced that the Japanese float won first place; Chinese second; and Kidie Kapers' third.

#### COMMUNITY FLOAT

It is generally conceded that the float presented by the Filipino Community of Salinas Valley is the best float the Filipinos ever presented to Salinas. It was designed and built by Filipinos, and in the making many local Filipinos talents were discovered.

Mrs. B. R. Losada planned the decoration and was ably assisted by Mrs. F. O. Malvas, Mrs. J. F. Cacas, Mrs. F. B. Sun, Mrs. J. B. Sampayan and MRS. C. C. MORALES. The design was conceived by Pedro Acosta, assisted by Jose Soriano, and the lettering and lighting effects were designed by Pascual Wamil and H. Mainit.

But much of the success of the Filipino participation as a whole attribute to Macario G. Coliado, president of the organization, who unselfishly devoted much of his time and energy as head of all the committees created.

#### ORDER OF APPEARANCE

The first division marched with the martial tune of the Monterey Presidio band, followed by scout cars and war tanks from the 40th company and the United States army. In line followed the Oakland Tribune drum and bugle corps, California Grays, and the board of supervisors of Monterey county. Preceding the

Monterey Sons of the American Legion drum corps was Miss Betty Crites of San Francisco, winner of the finest outdoor girl of California contest, escorted by other participants of the contest, who all rode on a float profusely decorated.

The second division was led by the Southern Pacific band which was greatly applauded due to the fancy baton twirling of a glamorous girl. This division included the Boy Scout's float, the electrically lighted PG&E float, and the Japanese float lavishly decorated with cherry blossoms pulled by 30 children marchers in Japanese costume who all carried native lanterns; and the Spreckels Sugar company's float displaying sacks of beet sugar.

#### COMMUNITY FLOAT

The first float of the Filipinos, entered by the Filipino Community of Salinas, came in the third division. The float was graced by Miss Rosalinda Losada, charming daughter of Mr. And Mrs. B. R. Losada, who held the ribbons tied to the head of a spread-winged dragon-fly.(see picture)

#### AIR CADETS FLOAT

The second Filipino Float, a symbol of the world being circled by airplanes, was entered by the local Filipino Air Cadets. Young CLEMENTE MORALES in cowboy togs, rode on the float.

Included in this division were the floats of the Rotary club with miniature flags of many nations on top of a globe; the menagerie of Tindall from Watsonville; the old Salinas stage coach ridden by beautiful girls in Rodeo togs; and the Red Men's bugle corps from Concord.

Immediately following this division was the Canadian Legion Bagpipe band from San Jose and the float of the Monterey Fair Association. In this division was the second prize winner, the local Chinese float, preceded by Chinese children marchers and drum and bugle corps from Watsonville. The other float was from the Moose lodge, followed by antique Fords.

Notable units in this division were the floats of the Salinas Banks, the imitation polar bears float of the Salinas Valley Ice Co, and the Kiddie Kapers float which won the third cars of the Daughters' of the Golden West headed by the Salinas cowboy band; The Monterey drill team; Santa Cruz drum corps and the car of the Young Townsend club.

The last division was marched by the San Francisco News band followed by the Elks' Lodge float which featured a large white elk. The last band was the PG&E from San Joaquin, followed by decorated cars from many leading organizations in the country.

After the parade, the people jammed the doors of the theaters for midnight attractions. Dancing and making western whoopee was the next order of the evening on Main street till early morning hours.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 30 August 1939, Page 1

### **Calzado Is Winner In Declamation Contest**

Among the four contestants who participated in the declamation contest held at the Filipino Community Church and Center on August 19, which was sponsored by the Filipino Christian Endeavor Society, Mr. Vicente Calzado who delivered "Ideal Citizenship" captured first prize, a golden trophy donated by the Sampayan brothers, Restituto and Juanario. Calzado is a student in the Salinas Junior College.

Rufino Cabebe, who delivered "The Constitution," got the second prize donated by S. B. Ledesma and Mr. J. F. Cacas. While the third prize went to Mr. Raymond Camcam donated by F. B. Sun and Mr. C. C. MORALES. Camcam delivered "My Last Farewell," by Dr. Jose Rizal.

A musical program was also held in conjunction with the declamation contest. Mrs. J. B. Sampayan and Mrs. A. M. Patacsil rendered vocal duets. The judges were Atty. Harry Nolan, Rev. Kay, Police Judge Mc Laughlin and Attorney Dougherty.

Mr. George Aquino Jr, who was responsible for the success of this contest is the president of the Christian endeavor and Mr. S. V. Bautista, vice president, who acted as the chairman of the evening.

Mr. Calzado's text will be published in the succeeding issue with his picture.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 30 August 1939, Page 1

### **Christening Party Held At Losadas.**

A Christening party was tendered little Ronald Cacas, second son of Mr. And Mrs. Johnny F. Cacas, at home of Mr. And Mrs. B. R. Losada last Sunday noon, where a sumptuous luncheon dinner was served. Dancing was indulged in by many present. A short musical- literary program filled in the dance. Those who spoke were Mr. Losada, Mrs. Losada, MRS. PAULINA MORALES, Dr. S. B. Ledesma, and Mrs. Am. M. Patacsil. Mr. And Mrs. Cacas responded, those who rendered vocal solos were Miss Lolita Caray, Ms. Eleanor Galvez, Little Lilly Malvas and Mrs. Marina Malvas. Mr. S. E. Geray was the Chairman.

Mr. Losada and Mrs. Patacsil are Godparents of the child. Among those present were Mr. And Mrs. M. R. Galicia and Mr. And Mrs. F. B. Sun, Mr. And Mrs. J. B. Sampayan, Mr. And Mrs. Kay, Mr. And Mrs. P. M. Olivete, Mr. And Mrs. Crispin de la Cruz of San Mateo; Mr. And Mrs. A. M. Patacsil, Mr. And Mrs. B. R. Losada, Mr. And MRS. C. C. MORALES, Mr. And Mrs. C. B. Sales, Mr. And Mrs. F. S. Maratas, Mr. And Mrs. Foss, Mr. And Mrs. Rico, Miss Lolita Caray, Miss Eleanor Galvez, Miss Marie Brasil, Miss Mary Rico, Mr. J. D. Javier and daughter Eva and Jessie, Mr. E. R. Liwanag, and daughter Carmen, Miss Toshi Takeshita, Miss Ruby Tsuyoki, Mr. And Mrs. F. O. Malvas, Dr. S. B.

Ledesma, Community President M. G. Collado, Mr. Val Arellano, and hundred more whose names could not be mentioned here due to lack of space.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 30 August 1939, Page 3

### **Who's Who Among Salinas Valley Filipinos**

Herein Are Several Prominent Leaders Of Salinas Valley.

Perhaps there is no other Filipino Community in Continental United States where one could find as many intelligent leaders, in social, civic and fraternal activities as in Salinas Valley. And the presence of this group is largely responsible for the community's prestige, which is known not only in the United States, but also in the Philippines.

There were times when these leaders differ in their opinion relative to certain community activities. There were times when they wrangled like children to drive home their individual opinions. There were times when their face were noticeably red and they went to the extent of insulting one another. Rather unseemly of them to act thusly. But they have never failed yet to agree and come to terms, once conceding personal opinion for common welfare, so that the issue at hand may be solved or carried out. They have a common trait: To sacrifice inconsequential to uphold this community prestige.

In this edition, The Mail is presenting some of the outstanding leaders. It should not be presumed, however, that this is incomplete, for there are many behind the scenes, so to speak but still wield their influence. And again, it should not be presumed that the order of the list is according to their importance but rather for their convenience.

- 1) Macario V. Collado- President of the Filipino Community of the Salinas Valley; Geology student from University of Oklahoma and North Western University.
- 2) Manuel M. Insigne- Dean of Filipino Newspapermen on the Pacific Coast, labor export, and an economist.
- 3) Felipe B. Sun- President of Filipino Labor Supply Association of Monterey County, Inc, Social, Civic and Labor leader and voted no. One citizen of Salinas Valley.
- 4) Juanito B. Sampayan- Labor and Religious Leader and chairman of the Public Relations created by Filipino Community of Salinas Valley.
- 5) Dr. Serapion Buenafe Ledesma- Lone professional man in Salinas now practicing physician and surgeon.
- 6) MRS. PAULINA MORALES- President of Filipino Woman's Club of California, civic leader and owner of the Manila cleaners.
- 7) Restituto B. Sampayan- Ranking Labor Boss, humanitarian and civic leader.

- 8) F. S. Maratas- Master of Rizal Lodge, No. 3, C. D. A, Inc, Prominent labor contractor and president of the Philippine Commonwealth Club.
- 9) Bienvenido R. Ordis- Prominent leader of the Filipino Federation of America, Inc. And auditor of the Salinas District of that organization.
- 10) Fred Cabacungan- Prosperous businessman and owner of Cabacungan Dry Goods store, social and civic leader.
- 11) M. R. Galicia- Prominent Labor Boss, secretary of the Rizal Lodge, No.3, C. D. A. Inc, Presidential Timber of the Filipino Community of the Salinas Valley and civic leader.
- 12) Mrs. Mary Caletesen -- Mother of the Valley, civic, social, and religious leader, and active member as well as treasurer of the Filipino woman's club of California.
- 13) Juan Cacas- President of the Filipino Christian Fellowship; prosperous labor contractor, religious and civic leader.
- 14) P. D. Bandalan- Quite labor boss, good mixer and cooperative in any community undertaking.
- 15) Valentin O. Arellano- Economist, treasurer of the Filipino Community of Salinas Valley, and pet of the community.
- 16) Pascual Wamil- Electrician and radio expert; Member of the American Institute of Radio Engineering.
- 17) E. R. Liwanag- Ranking dignitary of the Dimas Alang fraternity, labor contractor and social leader.
- 18) Lino Manzano- President of the Loyal Sons of Nueva Ecija, electrician and radio expert.
- 19) Mrs. Marina Malvas- Prima Dona of the Philippines, social and civic leader.
- 20) Pablo C. Tangonan- President of the Tarlakenian and prominent Labor Contractor.
- 21) B. R. Lazada- Wealthy businessman, labor contractor, property owner, social and civic leader.
- 22) Jose Culala- Commander of Bukid Laonglaan, M. A. N. B, Inc.
- 23) Gabriel D. Javier- Civic and religious leader, he also served three consecutive years as Master of Rizal Lodge no.3 O. D. A, Inc.
- 24) Cosme Brasil- Prominent labor contractor, social, civic, and labor leader and ranking leader of the Dimas Alang Fraternity.
- 25) Andres Barangan- Aviator, founder of the first president Philippine Air Cadets Club of Salinas.
- 26) Santiago E. Geray- First President of the Filipino Community of Salinas Valley, social leader and unionist.
- 27) Gregorio Aquino Jr.- President of the Naryacan Club, President of the Filipino Christian Endeavor society of Salinas, civic leader, and A. B. Graduate from University of Utah.

- 28) Victor Calderon- Leader of the younger set, and corresponding secretary of the Filipino Community of Salinas Valley.
- 29) Honorio Della- Most sincere religious leader.
- 30) Leon de Asis- Wealthy labor contractor and leader of Tanays of America.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, Nov 13 1939, Page 1

### **Sampayans Head Passengers' List On S. S. Cleveland**

Januario B. Sampayan and his wife last week were the recipient of many fine tributes of friendship and good wishes on the occasion of their forthcoming departure for a short visit in the Philippines on the 17th of this month aboard the President Cleveland. They were guests of honor recently at a banquet and ball jointly given by the Rizal Lodge of the Caballeros de Dimas Alang and the Filipino Labor Supply Association of Monterey county. The affair was held at the Cominos hotel.

Among those who attended the banquet and dance were the leaders of the community and other prominent leaders. Before the dance a short program was held in which prominent leaders of the community participated. The following were the features of the program with Mr. B. R. Losada as master of ceremonies:

Invocation by Mrs. Eugenia Sales; a selection from the orchestra; remarks by B. R. Losada; short talk, Santiago Geray; short talk, J. F. Collado, president of the Filipino Community of Salinas; short talk, Mr. C. C. MORALES, president of the Filipino Woman's Club; duet by Mrs. B. R. Losada and Mrs. J. B. Sampayan, Manila Memories; short talk, Dr. S. B. Ledesma; short talk, F. B. Sun, president, Filipino Labor Supply Association of Monterey county; short talk by F. B. Maratas, president of the Philippines Commonwealth Club of Salinas; response by J. B. Sampayan, guest of honor.

On the same boat with Mr. And Mrs. J. B. Sampayan will be Mr. And Mrs. Fred Cabacungan, also of Salinas, and Mrs. Felisa Neri and her children John, Jr, and Kathryn of Sacramento; Dr. Gerardo Ocampo of San Francisco; Mr. Daniel Alegria of Salinas, Mr. Antero Canonixedo of Carmel, and Mr. Marcelo Joaquin of San Luis Obispo.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, November 27, 1939, Page 1

### **Local Leaders Welcome Varona With Lovely Party**

SACRAMENTO. CALIF.- Framcoscp Varpma, chief of the National Division of the Philippine Resedient Commissioner's office at Washington, was a dinner guest of local leader at the Sun Sun cafe Friday evening following the Philippine Commonwealth celebration. Mr. VVarona discussed labor problems tieh the leaderr.

Among tthose present were: Lamberto Malinab, president off the local labor association; Santiago Difuntorum, vice-president; Leo Cabrers, secretary;

Pette Hombremmee, assistant secretary; Fred Velasce, treasurer; Candido Gomes, assistant treasurer; urbano Estrelas, auditor; Tted Market, business agency; Elias Cabradilla, field strategist; Victor E. Bacho, president of the Community; P. C. MORALES, labor contractor, and others.

After the dinner, Mr. Varona was accompanied to San Francisco by Mr. Urbano Estrellas.

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5000 People Attend Dimas Alang Picnic Here at Toro Park

More than 5000 picnickers jammed the gates of El Toro Park Sunday July 9, to attend the sixth annual barbecue-picnic of the Rizal Lodge. No. 3, C. D. A, Inc. The attendance broke all previous records.

The picnickers swarmed like bees at the many attractions set up for the occasion. Many roared at the top of their voices at the softball game between Salinas and VALLEJO, many patronized the bingo table, many tried their skill at ringing a duck at the duck pond, and hundreds of dance lovers and jitterbug danced ala taxi the whole day. Barbecue was served and beer flowed by the gallon all day long.

This picnic was under the chairmanship of B. R. Losada, grand delegate of the order from the Philippines, with F. B. Sun, vice chairman. But F. S. Maratas, president of the lodge, attributed the success of the picnic to the various committees created. Mrs. C. T. Alfafara and MRS. C. C. MORALES took charge of the sale of tickets at the dance and Mrs. F. B. Sun, Mrs. J. B. Sampayan and Mrs. Antonio Caletisen were assigned at the barbecue. C. T. Alfafara was the "mike" announcer.

Report from the Rizal Lodge, No. 3, C. D. A. Headquarters revealed that E. Haene was winner of first prize of \$300, ticket No. 1730.

Second and third prizes went to I. Tampong and C. Casillas, \$100 and \$50 respectively, ticket numbers 111 and 1093.

Other winners are:

P. Rosa, 2058, \$10; R. Calibo, 2342, \$10; P. Parocha, 1165, \$10; E. Manalo, 1009, \$10; Q. Samsom, 335, \$10; F. Garcia, 2190, \$10; P. Chico, 233, \$10; E. Argis, 821, \$10; W. Gonzales, 316, \$10; M. Mesa, 1694, \$10.

F. Domingsil, 400, \$5; Carmelita Madamba, 730, \$5; J. Canete, 911, \$5; M. Faldonia, 956, \$5; P. Dacilson, 118, \$5; E. Naldusa, 367, \$5; J. Perez, 1102, \$5; A. Sanchez, 1098, \$5; Mrs. Martha Brasil Foss, 1460, \$5; P. Lupiba, 646, \$5.

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THORNS AND ROSES (23Dec40)

By Alec L. Fabros

Short cutter Johnny B. Sarmiento thinks that Salinas hospitality during the confab was superb -- what hospitality? Didn't you know, JB, that we didn't even have an official hostess and that each of the guests had to take care of every cent of his expenses? Your praises travel in parabolic -- you're breathing out antonym, so come, come, now brother, and blow out the truth... An "armistice" had been apparently declared between Mario Papilla and Prexy Mac Collado, the other night I spied them chatting intimately and receptively a cup of coffee, -- indicating that an amicable understanding between the two leading bizniz men on Soledad way is in the officing; that's fine -- I'm glad Alex L. Fabros of it!... It is said that tenniser, Fin Lazo, has resumed his favorite pastime, only that he wears now a wide brimmed hat on the court,; why Fin, of all people are you scared to get tanned or you just want to preserve "complex" cause you are angling for a "medium-rare" skinned femme?

Warning: Frank Pulido of Millbrae is developing an incurable idiosyncrasy -- he goes to 'Frisco quite often just to practice his bouquet -- full lines among the luscious "gomamilas"; it's a hint you gals,so better keep away this big world from your doorstep.... Two weeks ago I told you that Mary Oriarte and Ace Icasiano were altar-bound; and they did, and just arrived from Reno where they exchanged their married vows... Jitterbug addicts and enthusiasts will have a look-see on those new leg-jerks and hippity- hops when these Los angeles kids come here for the Xmas frolics... A letter from an eligible bachelor of 'Frisco accuses us of being still Victorian: "Alex, Salinas is a swell place, but with the exception of your, you who seems to have a magnetic hook for the girls, I think that your people there were a bit Victorian -- your ways of approach to girls are too ancient," quotes the note. Yeah... Sultan Lozares and Governor Masilongang are planning to visit the Alaskan waters this summer; to work in the salmon cannery I suppose...

Gabriel Arellano precipitated a brain-storm at the Maye's the other day when he emphatically assured his handful but uninterested crowd that he can force the U. S. Gov't to deport Paco Varona; monumental purpose! -- an ant attacking an elephant; another stunt to attract people to join his National Alliance... Rumorhas it that Manny Luz is being drafted by an influential organization to run for the presidency; but who's the first-lady-to-be; I know for I saw your at a couple of dances discovering each other... Don't you think that C. C. MORALES is over-staying her visit to the Philippines? Everybody her the valley is missing her terribly... I canharldy believe that Mrs. B. R. Losda is the mom of a

cute daligita; she doesn't even look that old -- the gleam of her eyes when she was still the toast of societies is still present... Don't you know that most of our big names are moving southward for winter hibernation? Johnny Cacas, J. B. Sampayan, D. Javier and F. Malbas have all succumber to the lure O. Semi-tropical atmosphere... Pacita Todtod, our once upon a time Queen, has the temperity to admit that despite its catch name the Bachelors' Club of 'Frisco doesn't have any oomph or "IT"; she says that not one member can hardly be called a glamour boy... The Salinas Women's Club will open the coming year with a bang. New Year's eve it's holding a benefit dance -- it's about time the members put their heads together and hold social functions eery now and then... Corazon Mata is a very accomplished pianist, but to me her nose is way up, up, up there in the stratosphere; she was the first lady to give me the air, but I hope it will soon come down to terra firma... Oh, I forgot to tell you that Miguel Ignacio, erstwhile Ed. Of The Mil was also present in the last convention; he was the Stormy Pretrel, and how that young man loved to massacre problems and questions!... Santiago Geray doesn't believe the Filipinos are with the scope of the Alien Registration Law claiming that Filipinos are not aliens inasmuch as they are under the American Flag... Grapevine information has it that Joe I Ongojo has been aging for a certain glamorous girl for the last six years but I guess he's not making any headway the poor boy! Andang Pantohan, Watsonville's own contribution to the galaxy of Pinay pulchrtude, has just uttered "yes" to his ideal man before a priest...

Captain an dMrs. Mariano Sulit should pay a visit her some of these days' we heard lots of good things about and we want to meet them personally.... Rizal Day commemoration will be held her E. December 30; yours is heading the invitation committee, -so through this column I invite you to attend it -- it's at the Filipino Center.... Mr. And Mrs. Joe Canaya of Pacific Grove are very nice to the Mail's staff; every time the paper comes out our publisher are tendered a very good dinner by them...What happened to the puppish-love betwixt Sonny Liwanag and Jessie Javier? Bet it went pfffft?... Who's the girl who refuses to say "yest" to her admirer, yet gets extremely jealous everytime she sees him flirting with other girls?... Guess Again; Why is that Eva Javier entirely secluded herself from local social gatherings? Guess Again: Who's the dame rumored to get hitched as soon as she turns in her 17th spring?... Do you have an idea of the extent of the damage wrought by Leap Year ? Take a gander -- Carmen Liwang. Mary Oriarte. Esperanza Carino. Teodora Magbuluhos, Rufina Cortez. Elizabeth Sainctic. Trinidad Godinez, Helen Rosina Encarcinationcion Oroa are some of the few who succumbed helplessly to the wiles of leap year... Until the next issue bye-bye and Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year to you all!

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, December 23, 1940

### **Many Attend Chirstening**

The Frank Sipin's labor campt situated two miles west of Watsonville was the scene of a joyous party last sunday eveing evening, december 22. The occasian which ws attended by prominient people from far and near was the christening celebration of reobert pable, infant son eo of mr and mrs. martin ugalde of watsonville ogd parents of the child were mr celemente C. MORALES of salinas ascencio soriano of watsonville miss eva salaze and miss virginisa slazar of oakdale.

Highlights of the affair which started at 4 an lasted till 9 o'clock in the evening wre the serving of an excellinent dinner to the guests, an dimpromtu program and dancing. In the program of which mr alex L. Fabros, sociatey and sports editor of this paper acted toastmaster the folowng rendered good musical numbers the misses pacita todtod of san jose state collee and eve salzar of oakdale and mr. Siso cruz of watsonville young henry sipin, 12 year old and newly arrived from the philippines son of mr. Frnk sipin also gave two beautiful vocal renditions.

Laer in the eveing dancing was temporarily interrupted when toastmaster Alex L. Fabros was requested by the parents of teh well-known person present the misses pacita todtod of san jose, sally codera lalilng valderama eva and virginia salazar all of oakdale the mesars CLEMENTE MORALES prominient contractor and one of the godparents. Mac Collado, community president of Salinas, Bal sanchez of Mos Landing, Santiago Geray, Manuel Luz an dLuis Pascua all from Salinas were among those who were asked to take a bow.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 15 March 1940, Page 1

### **Hon. Varona Sees Local Shippers-Growers About Filipino Labor Problems**

Admonishes Fellow Countrymen On Better Relationship;Cites Number of Interesting Interventions

Hon. Francisco Varona, labor assistant of Philippine Resident Commissioner Joaquin M. Elizalde, came purposely to Salinas last Monday, March 4, to confer with the shippers and growers, who, he believes, are under the impression that there is going to be labor agitation this spring. Hon. Varona had a letter from the resident commissioner who advise him to investigate the veracity of the rumor. After the conference, however, it was proved that the rumor was just that -- a rumor.

Before the conference with the shippers and growers, however, Hon. Varona pointed out salient features of the Filipino relationship with the Americans. He pointed out that Filipino labor, here or elsewhere, is not for

trouble. He believed that wages must be satisfactory to differentiate man from animals; animals work for food, man works for progress.

He said that Filipinos have no ill feelings toward their employers as are entertained by some in other sections of the country used to evade glaring issues during walk-outs when wages are lowered.

In the course of his talk, he added that present general conditions are good. He is doubtful, however, whether Filipino laborers will readily join the C. I. O. When they organize farm help, for he said that sooner or later C. I. O. Farm organizers will come to Salinas. It's a good thing, he said, that he intervened in the Pescadero and Davenport strike before C. I. O. Got control.

One more problem presented is the unemployment of many Alaska cannery workers who will not be employed this year due to restrictions and crowding in of white C. I. O. Laborers. They will all come down to California and inasmuch as they are staunch members of the C. I. O. They may be used as nuclei for future C. I. O. Units.

Hon. Varona also answered the questions asked him by those in the confab which was held at the San Francisco Coffee Shop. He said upon question of A. Areja, a ranking Filipino contractor, that he is not familiar with the "incloso" nor with the "casera" system.

Varona answered Cosme Brazil another contractor, spent Japanese penetration in the labor contracting system, not to be alarmed. So far, he found that there are only four Japanese in the contracting business who have Filipino laborers. However, it is best to be cautious, he advised.

After his conference with the shippers and growers that day, Hon. Varona went to San Francisco on his way to Sacramento to settle a labor dispute caused by the Moncado faction, who are allying themselves with the Japanese there to "scab" on Filipino labor.

Those present in the confab were: Flomongo, P. M. Olivete, Francisco Lopez, publisher of Associated Filipinos Press in L. A. ; Cosme Brazil, P. D. Bandalan, E. R. Liwanag, A. A. Areja, Johnny Cacas, D. F. Cruz, Macario G. Collado, M. B. Masilongagn, Victorio Velasco of the Seattle Cosmopolitan Courier, L. M. Sison, P. S. Maratas, F. B. Sun, Mr. And Mrs. C. B. Sales, Mr. And Mrs. B. R. Losada, and C. C. MORALES.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 8 July 1940, Page 1

### **Community Float To Be Entered In Colmo**

To Hold Big Week Dance at Armory Hall This Saturday Evening

When the Filipinos read in this paper the publication of the decision of the executive board of the Filipino Community of Salinas Valley not to enter a float in the forthcoming Colmo del Rodeo pageantry which will culminate the Big Week festivity, M. G. Collado, president, was bombarded with telephone calls

from all over the valley asking information or cause why no float was to be entered.

Influential Filipino leaders were not behind in their protest of the decision of the board. Many came to talk to Mr. Collado and were instrumental in this turn about-face. They assured that if the participation is hindered by lack of funds, Filipinos in the Valley will contribute to the making of a float.

Mrs. C. B. Sales was named chairman of the Community Float with MRS. C. C. MORALES, Mrs. F. O. Malbas and Mrs. J. B. Sampayan.

To expedite collection and raising of the necessary amount of money for this participation, a dance conceived and will be held at the local Armory Hall this Saturday evening, July 13.

Invitations were sent to all over the state and the replies being received are very encouraging. Many popular girls from far and near will attend. During this dance an impromptu "Miss Community" contest will be held by which a participation "queen" and members of her court will be selected.

This dance is anticipated by many to eclipse the last dance of the Community held in Foresters' Hall last month.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 25 May 1940, Page 3

### **Popular Couple Entertains Friends**

Mr. And Mrs. C. B. Sales entertained their many friends at their home on the occasion of Mr. Sales' 38th birthday anniversary last Thursday evening, May 16. The party was a surprise in itself to Mr. Sales who had no idea he was to be honored by his many friends in the valley.

A delicious dinner was served.

On that day, the annex to their residence was also finished.

Among those present were: Messrs. And Mesdames A. Caletisen, F. B. Sun, B. R. Losada, F. Malbas, L. De Asis, J. B. Sampayan, J. Avilla, L. Palma, J. Ancheta, Frank King, Joe Lawrence, Joe Espejo, C. C. MORALES, Anacleto Maratas, M. G. Layugan, G. S. Moreno; Messrs: Claudio Scott, Alvin Lawrence, Benny Culala, G. D. Javier, Dr. S. B. Ledesma, Dr. Smail, J. Estrella, A. P. Filomeno, Milan Maratas; Mesdames: S. Andrade, Mrs. Takeshita, Caroline Merritt, Miss Roche, Josephine Jufiar; Misses: Remedios Andrade, Lucille Avilla, Gloria Jufiar, Eva Javier, Jessie Javier, Toshi Takeshita, Vilma Roche, Hostesses: Mrs. Hilaria Filomeno and Mrs. C. B. Sales. Chefs: Benny Fernandez and Eusebio Ulanimo.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 25 May 1940, Page 1

### **Go Find Your Tree This Unholy Picnic**

By MISS SPOTTER

Now the cat is out of the bag, those who are anticipating a strictly invitational card from the Unholies; annual picnic are advised to go to El Toro Park now and tag one of the trees there as a claim for private use on Sunday, June 9, before all are taken.

The date, June 9, was agreed after a pow-wow of Sultan Lozares, Pundit MORALES and Sheik Bandalan and thumb upped by all Unholies. There will be a shindig and games and what have you!

Sultana for 1940 is still a problem of the clan.

Boy, oh boy! Is Miss Spotter rarin' to go!

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 25 May 1940, Page 1

### **Literary Program For Graduates This Year**

The Filipino students of Salinas High School and Junior College will sponsor a musical-literary program at the Community Center on the evening of June 5 to honor the graduating students this year.

In the tentative program J. C. President Werner, Community President Collado, MRS. C. C. MORALES, and Dr. S. B. Ledesma are to speak. Vocal numbers will space the speeches.

Mr Z. C. Cordero, vice president of the Filipino Students Club will introduce the alumni. The opening remarks will be given by S.V, Bautista, president of the student's club.

Graduating from the high school are Frances Gutierrez Carmen Liwanag and Ben Culala, and from the junior college, Z. C. Cordero.

The program is open to the public and refreshments will be served.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 11 May 1940, Page 1

### **Franquelli Dance Helps In Local Charity Fund**

Picnic Is Held at Point Asilomar; Interview Broadcast

Under the able leadership of the officers of the Filipino Community Organization of Salinas a successful recital performance of Philippine and South Sea dances by Fely Franquelli, celebrated Manila dancer was presented at the Salinas Union High School auditorium last Saturday evening May 4.

The local appearance of Miss Franquelli was sponsored by the Community Organization for its charity fund. A substantial amount was raised.

Salvos of applause were showered on Miss Franquelli every time the curtain rose, more so when she appeared in typical Philippine dress. Her exotic performance of South Sea dances, likewise, was praised even by American guests.

Miss Franquelli rendered in the first part of the program: SURTIDO festival dances of Luzon; MORO WEDDING, ceremonial number of Mindanao; HAWK DANCE, from Manono; ABARURAY, wine dance of Tayabas, and SAGAYAN, a savage war dance of Maranao.

The second part were of South Sea dances. She performed the HINDU TEMPLE DANCE, TABU, TAHITI, AND SOUTH SEA FANTASY. She was greatly acclaimed in the last number due, perhaps, to the originality of the sarong she wore.

Philippine popular dances closed the program.

To the delight of all present, Miss Franquielli was inspired to dance the CARINOSA, Philippine dance of courtship; MAG-ASIK, native dance of Cotobato; TENDERA, a village vendor dance, and IGOROT, a weird tribal dance.

Manuela Firanzi was the pianist.

Miss Franquelli was lavishly entertained while here. She was the guest of Marario G. Collado and D. F. Cruz, president of the Filipino Community and publisher of this publication, respectively. A picnic was held at Point Asilomar, near Carmel, the following day, where popular Salinans attended.

The picnic was tendered by the Filipino community as a whole, though mention should be made that P. D. Badalan, M. L. Lozares, and Vic Calderson, all from the famous Unholy Group; Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Galicia, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Sun, Mr. and Mrs. A. Areja and Mr. and Mrs. C. C. MORALES prepared the delicious culinary display.

Before leaving for San Francisco in the afternoon, Miss Franquelli was interviewed by Mrs. Eugenia B. Szales on station KHUB. Miss Franquelli expressed also, during the interview-broadcast, her appreciation and thanks to all the generous hospitality extended her.

After the interview, she proceeded to San Francisco.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 30 April 1940, Page 2

### **Spotlights (30apr40)**

By MISS SPOTTER

Before you start reading this column I would advise you to have a cup of coffee to double the pleasure of your leisure. I will give you items as I am able to bat them off my typewriter and perchance the barby ones annoy you, my second advice is skip it and treat it as though it was never written. Ain't that fair enough?

To begin with here is a line from a letter of a charming young lady now in the Middle States to her Prince Charming: "What does it matter if the world is against us so long as we love each other." The letter is signed Louis (your part is to guess the family name) and the letter is addressed to a very deserving Unholy. Who is the lucky one, Sultan?

Believe it or not, the cooks at the Maye's Coffee have nerves. It is not uncommon for them to write what they feel towards their lady customers. Here's one exchange of missives. I am fortunate to have one night:

Bernie and Jackie: I hope I am meeting your expectations of me. If not, say so. Cooky.

The answer:

Cooky: Everything was fine till I found some eggshells. Jackie.

Mine was fine except the liver was a little tough. Bernice.

So they exchanged and exchanged notes and no one knows how deep they have gone. So far as I know a compromise was reached.

It's a date, boys. Pacing Todtod's forthcoming birthday party in Oakdale on May 18. Lots of dancing and lots of girls. But the point is you will miss her singing if you fail to attend.

(If you are not Eleanore Galvez, lay off this item. This is one confidential between us). Why did you stop writing him, Eleanore? Have you changed, or is there another pressing young man. Tell me, dear, what is ailing you so I can help before it is too late. Remember now, Miss Spotter may be a bit nosy and waggy but she can always help, more so when it comes to the affairs of the heart.

I wish I were in Lomongo's position. He is one of the census enumerators. I could meet more people and see them as they really are. I will be able to know the real names of some of my lady-friends instead of their nom-de-guerres. Maybe some of them are chipping their age, too, ha... Lomongo? Anyway, it is a woman's prerogative to live about her age.

Extra! Extra; Wuxtry! Read all about it... Publisher Cruz wrote a love note to a friend of mine when he was in Vallejo. Answer in next edition, don't forget to buy your copy of the MAIL and read all about it...

Santiago (Doc) Bautista perfumed his room when the Padillas came to Salinas to see the midnight show... Johnny is ducky in his new suit... Andy is nervous every time he meets Dorothy R... Virginia is talking about diapers... Maybe the stork is on its way again.

Interesting fellow, this Governor... He keeps propounding the economy of two living as one by sharing room rent with someone. Lay off, Governor, and come out in the open... Are you man or mouse?

Larry Lagpacan sent his protest of his inconsistency... Philip Bautista said that a cock-eyed fellow is a favored suitor to a bowlegged mademoiselle... Salome Corcino is the pick to be crowned queen this coming Golden Gate Fair festivity by Bay City Filipinos on June 30... Sunney Rogers still talks of her trip to Shangri-la... Toni has a new girl friend... Kay and Biting are not parted, contrary to rumors or outside appearances.

Tony Espirito of Oakland, is improving in his aesthetic sense. In his room he hung pictures of Sally Rand and Lady Godiva and many more lesser satellites.

Carmen L. Will soon be ailing to the altar from inside info... Mustacchio Hitlah Brazil and Areja, Sr, and C. C. MORALES are getting younger every day.

At the LIGAYA I was elated to meet such charmers as Stare Wilson... Entertaining and full of life; lovely Helen and Betty can surely crack the ice with the boys, and an unusual Lueille Teves who reads the newspapers every day. I'll have to see more of Jean and Bobbie to be able to say something, ain't that right? Sorry Dot Martini will trek to Chicago soon to see her ma, or is it masculine?

Wonder why Pat L, queen candidate for Miss Unholy for 1940, has not been in town for quite a time now... Have a swell time, Fra. F. Real?... Who is the cause of phone calls to Salinas, Irene?

Bobbie's friends from Los Angeles, according to the Governor, did not reach first base in their citizenship-plan to Salinas. The Caliph is highly commended as contact man in Sacramento. (Go ahead Maning, show them the good stuff in you, but don't you try to neglect you Rim)... Lambert Malinab is not jesting the President of Salinas Filipino Community when they met in Los two days ago in congratulating the latter two times. One for being elected president. Lambert said, and one for L. A.... No... E. G.

Miss Spotter signing off.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 30 April 1940, Page 1

### **Todtod Broadcasts Franquelli's Visit**

Pacing Todtod, past queen of the Filipino Participation on Treasure Island, gladly accepted the request of the officers of the Filipino Community of Salinas to broadcast the brief visit of Miss Felly Franquelli who stopped here Sunday noon on her way to Los Angeles. Transcript copy of the broadcast over station KHUB in Watsonville during the usual Filipino Melody Hour on Sunday under the direct supervision of F. Lomongo, is hereby reprinted:

"Miss Fely Franquelli, that celebrated Manila dancer, stopped in Salinas this noon for a short visit on her way to Los Angeles. She came from Stockton with her manager, Mr. Ed Perkins, where she gave a very successful performance."

Miss Franquelli was very sorry she could not stay for this broadcast due to a previous engagement in Los Angeles.

"While here, she was lavishly entertained by the officers of the Salinas Filipino Community. She was given a dinner at the Maye's Cafe attended by D. F. Cruz and M. B. Masilongan, publisher and editor of the Philippines Mail, respectively. Macario G. Collado, president of the Salinas Valley Filipino Community organization, besides Mr. Perkins and, of course, Miss Franquelli herself.

"All were joined later by MRS. C. C. MORALES, president of the local Filipino Women's Club, who drove them in her car to the Salinas High School Auditorium to see the stage where she will give her performance in the evening of May 4, this coming Saturday.

"The party then proceeded to MRS. MORALES camp before she was accompanied to the Salinas Southern Pacific Station where she boarded the Daylight for Los Angeles.

"Miss Franquelli was highly impressed by the hospitality extended her and said she would like to know more about the activities of Filipinos here.

"So let us make it a point to see that this celebrated dancer who will give her performance of Philippine dances at the Salinas Union High School Auditorium in the evening of May 4."

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 29 March 1940, Page 4

### **Spotlights (29mar40)**

You see I have been snoozing myself, content that I am through spotting personalities. Then all of a sudden I was called back to serve The Mail again, complimenting me after all, I was tops along this line of newspapering. Here I am again...

Inhaling the freshness of the day I began to work I found myself at the installation of the newly-elected officers of the community held at the Armory. There I saw Alex F, the popular sports writer. I had no idea that he was treating soul to the highest heaven when he escorted the Queen to the platform. Eva and Jessie were busy selling flowers, but were unable to sell one to Willie... It is a surprise. Carmen was busy eyeing her good looking admirer... My blessings to you, pal. Eleanor, the inspiration from Roseville, held the public spellbound when she sang. So what, president?

Sargeant Manoy MORALES thought deep and final and now... Congrats to him. Velma had a grand time, the more when she waltzed with... Who?... Mrs. Sampayan was helpless of the tirades of questions from other women about her vacation in the Philippines.

Maxine can really strut the jitterbug... Charming Bobbie charmed the boys with her smiles... And Sunny, the only girl who ever attracted a regular woman-hater, magnetized all with her smiling eyes. And Patsy was simply marvelous. It was a swell evening.

As usual, the "Sultan" found a new discovery again. Would it be the 1940 Sultana now? Cassanova L. Broke all records in stepping out... He was seen 'til about 4 A. M. One day with a charmer, and may I say, burn some more gas, Cassanova... I envy you.

I had my fill of the ginataan at the Mr. And Mrs. Valdivieso dinner. So with all who attended. Hey, Doc Bautista, are you sure you are in your right mind when you pretend you don't give a darn abot wimmen? Which is which with Betty or Gloria. And Andy C, why the sudden change in aising to the altar... And Vic C, who is you picking to be with you to the dance this coming Saturday? Happy to have met you again, Mary, and more so of Johnnie, he said.

The CDA installation at San Jose last Saturday was, indeed, a treat. I again met personalities in the honor roll such as Dr. D. M. Yap, Sheik Bandalan, Caliph Insigne, Mr. C. T. Alfafara, Mr. Inocencio, Mr. Malinab, etc. But the pleasure was doubled when I met the charming young ladies from everywhere. Are you reading, Miss E. Caintic. How was that waltz with Mr. Soria?

One day our President Collado disappeared. Then we heard he was in Roseville. You don't have to fool me, President. I am wise to you know.

Well, this is my test yet; watch me when I warm up. So help me along. Attend more public functions and I will do the spotting. For example, you could go to the Mayes Cafe or midnight show or this Saturday's dance at the Foresters in honor of our glamorous Pacing Todtod.

This is Miss Spotter signing off...

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 29 March 1940, Page 1

### **Able Leaders Named To Head New Departments Created For Efficiency**

President Collado Outlines Policy and Program of Administration; M. M. Insigne Delivers Main Address

Attended by Filipinos from different parts of the state, the installation of the newly elected officials of the Filipino Community of Salinas Valley on March 17 at the Armory Hall was a brilliant success. Mr. John Souza, the post master of Salinas, as guest of honor, delivered the principal address; he installed the new officers. Two outstanding numbers of the installation program were vocal solos rendered by two of the most popular young Filipinos in California, namely, Miss Pacita Todtod of Oakdale and Miss Eleanor Galvez of Roseville. Manuel M. Insigne delivered the closing address.

Re-elected to the post of president of the Community, Macario Collado delivered a short inaugural address which stressed briefly the policy and program of his administration during the year 1940. He took occasion during his address to pay tribute to the civic-mindedness of his out-going colleagues and praised the ability of the new officers. In the same address he named various Community leaders whom he appointed to various departmental positions which were created in accordance with the progress of the Community.

Among the departments created and the heads of each who were appointed were:

Mr. Leon de Asis, prosperous labor contractor, finance; Mr. Manuel Luz of the staff of the Philippine Trading Company, business and economic planning; Mrs. Eugenia Sales, well known welfare worker, social welfare; Mr. Perfecto D. Bandalan, leading labor contractor and business executive, athletics and recreation; Mr. M. R. Galicia, secretary of the Filipino Labor Supply Association, labor; Mr. J. B. Sampayan, well known civic and religious leader, education and

spiritual welfare; Dr. S. B. Ledesma, popular practicing physician and humanitarian, health and sanitation; Mr. Delfin F. Cruz, publisher of the Mail, publicity and propaganda. Mr. Manuel M. Insigne was reappointed to his old post as chairman of the department of public relations. He will be assisted in this work by MRS. PAULINA MORALES, popular Community leader and president of the influential Filipino Woman's Club of Salinas, and Mr. Baltazar Sanchez, campaign manager of Mr. Collado, during two recent annual elections.

The program was followed by a popular dance which lasted until late in the night. Manuel Insigne, the peripatetic editorial writer of The Mail, delivered the closing remarks and his colleague, Mr. Manuel Luz, was master of ceremonies. The text of President Collado's speech will be found in this issue. Other members of the different departments will be announced in our succeeding number.

To the following is due the credit for the success of the program:

Mr. M. L. Luz, program; Mrs. F. B. Sun, Invitation; Mrs. J. Cacas, Reception; Mrs. L. Palma, Flowers.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 26 February 1940, Page 1

### **Monterey Lodge Holds Banquet**

A good-sized crowd greeted the newly-organized branch of the Legionarios del Trabajo, Monterey Lodge, No. 461 at the Rendezvous Cafe last night. The affair was in the form of the banquet in which dignitaries of three lodges and prominent men and women of the community were in attendance. Honorable Francisco Varona of the Nationals Division in Washington, D. C, who was supposed to be the guest of honor, failed to appear because of unavoidable labor circumstances presently brewing in the Stockton area.

After the dinner an extemporaneous program under the able toast-mastership of Felix Pascua took place. Highlight of hte musical program was Miss Pacita Todtod, who rendered foru vocal selections.

Other partakers were Miss Betty Labor, vocal solo; Mrs. Quevedo, who rendered two vocal selections in Ilocano.

Among those who spoke were M. G. Collado, president of the Community, Luis Sison, aspirant for the presidency, Santiago Geray, who spoke and explained the seven-point program of his candidate, Sison; Val Sanches; MRS. C. C. MORALES and the guest of honor.

Moving picture was shown by Dome Gabisan, possible "Illustrious Master of Monterey Lodge No. 461, Legionarios del Trabajo."

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 26 February 1940, Page 1

### **Newly Married Couple Honored**

Under the sponsorship of the Leonanon Association of America a sumptuous banquet and dance was held in honor of the newly-wed couple Mr. And Mrs. Constancio Lapis. The affair was held at the famous ballroom of the Hotel Cominos in Salinas last Saturday night, Feb. 24. An estimated crowd of about 200 American and Filipino friends of the couple was on hand to witness the two reaffirm their marriage vows which they had already made earlier in the day.

With Loy Lanzaderas as toastmaster the occasion turned out to be a lively one. An impromptu musical and literary program was rendered to entertain the many guests. Frank Maratas, ranking member of the association, assumed the role of introducing the names of all the people sitting at the bride's and groom's table as well as the leaders of the valley.

Mrs. Constancio Lapis was the former Miss Bety Romero of the Moro Cojo district. She was born in Hawaii about 22 years ago and came to the mainland when she was less than 10 years old. She was educated in Gonzales and Salinas public schools and was a member of the class of 1938 at the Salinas High school. She had played prominent parts in Filipino social activities during her maiden days. She has been living with her sister and brother-in-law for the past ten years.

Mr. Constancio Lapis hails from the Visayas. He is an outstanding Filipino athlete. By all he's considered the best volleyball player in America. His sterling play has bought great success for his Associated Cub.

Among those present were: Rev. And Mrs. Kaemper of the local Presbyterian Church, Mrs. Lucille Everson of the Fashion Shop, Mr. And Mrs. Enea, Mr. And Mrs. Rogers, Mr. And Mrs. Fausto Pagacian, Mr. Bartolome Lozatia, Miss Eva Javier, Mr. Apolonio Lapis, Mr. Gregorio (DNL) , and Loy Lanzaderas sitting at the bride and groom's table; President Mac Collado, president of the Salinas Community, Dr. S. B. Ledesma, Bal Sanchez, Vic Calderon, Sultan Lozares, Alec L. Fabros, Gabriel Javier, Mr. And Mrs. Galicia, Mr. And Mrs. Guerrero, Mr. And Mrs. Corpuz, Mr. And Mrs. Galicia, Mr. And MRS. MORALES, Mr. And Mrs. Portacion, the Misses Carmen Liwanag, Feling Guttierrez, Rose Tangcoy, Josephine Tangcoy, Jessie Javier, Sylvia Duarte, Dorothy Duarte, Viernes Langyongan, Dorothy Ricci and Nona Eldridge.

Miss Rosie Tangcoy, pride of Pismo Beach, caught the bouquet thrown by the bride, and so was expected to be the next bride. Dr. Ledesma was predicted to be the next groom.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 26 February 1940, Page 1

### **Miss Galvez Feted By Mrs. C. C. Morales At Week-End**

In honor of Miss Eleanor Galvez of Roseville, who attended the recent "hard times dance" of the Filipino Community, Mr. And MRS. C. C. MORALES gave a dinner at their home last Saturday evening to 20 friends, eight of whom were members of the U. S. Army and from Fort Lewis in Washington, who participated in the recent war games held in Monterey, Calif.

During their sojourn in Salinas, Miss Galvez and her mother, Mrs. Mary Galvez were house guests of Mr. R. B. Sampayan. Miss Galvez was one of the Filipina beauties of California who graced the Participation of Filipino America in the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition. She was escorted by "Brother Maning"-whoever he is.

Among the other dinner guests were Mr. And Mrs. F. Malvas and Mr. Bal Sanchez. Mrs. Malvas and Miss Galvez sang Kundiman songs before and after the dinner. Little Junior MORALES was the "Big Boss" of the evening.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 26 February 1940, Page 4

### **Community Dance Is Very Successful**

The "hard times" dance sponsored by the Filipino community at the Foresters hall last Feb. 17 panned out to expectations and was unanimously regarded as the msot successful one ever held here or elsewhere. A capacity crowd loaded with mirth and hilarity was present at this first of the many social occasions the local population has planned to undertake this year. Many beautiful Filipinas from far and near garbed in thier junkiest paraphernalia were in attendance and helped to make the affair a pronounced success. Men from all walks of life and from all creeds and nationalities, all dolled up in their hobo costumes, were there to end a weird atmosphere to the environment.

The success of the affair was attributed to the untiring efforts of the younger set of the colony. Tim Areja, Bill Dubin, Benny Culala, Eva Javier, Jessie Javier, Carmen Liwanag and Frances Gutierrez made possible the success of the dance.

Main features of the night were the auctioning of boxes, "worst costume contest" and the very interesting speech of Mr. Louis schelder, newly appointed commissioner for the Oriental Park, now rapidly undergoing construction. In his talk Mr. Scheider appealed to the audience to give unsolicited support to the new park-either materially or financially. He propounded that the only way to convince the city fathers put this park through is to have the Filipinos show their unlimited interest in it.

Winner for the junkiest apparel were Betty Lee Quintos for women and Rudy Bugarin for men. Their costumes were typical hobo's and the judges' dication was unanimous.

Among those present were Misses Pacita Todtod, the toast and glamor girl of the night; Eleanor Galvez of Roseville, community's pet; Christine Alcoy of Pittsburg, Teddy Magbujos of Brentwood, Mary Oriarti of Vallejo, Carmen Liwanag, Eva and Jessie Javier, Frances Gutierrez, Miss Maxine, Pat Larsen, Sonny Rodgers, all of Salinas, and Sally Codera of Oakdale; Messrs. Joe Yngojo of San Francisco; Serafin Lazo, Felipe Arellano, Luis Sison, Jimmy Brillante, Emilio Bautista, etc. Among the couples were Mr. And Mrs. Malbas, Mr. And Mrs. Frank Maratas, Mr. And Mrs. Arsenio Areja, Mr. And Mrs. Engracio Sylvestre, and Mr. And Mrs. Aquino, Mrs. Caletisen, Mrs. Todtod, Mrs. Magbujos, Mrs. Oriarti, Mr. Guttierreiz and Mrs. Maria Galvez were also there.

The music was furnished by the famous Manuel Swingsters. Six of the eight Filipino members of the 10,000 soldiers now actively maneuvering at Camp Ord were also there, and later in the evening they took charge of the orchestra and rendered the hottest piece of swing music ever played in these parts in many, many years. Sergeant Mariano MORALES, Pedro sogue, Eddie Worrell, Primo Menesses, Fausto Alipio and M. Morell played gratis.

Donors of the prizes and social boxes were: Savemore drug Store, Krough Drug Store, Dr. S. B. Ledesma, Community President M. G. Collado, Unholy Group, Rendezvous Cafe, Smith, the Jeweler, and The Mail.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 26 February 1940, Page 3

### **The Keyhole (26feb40)**

Step up Artemio Areja and Bill Dubin, and please take a bow! In fact you deserve a dozen curtain call for that successful hard times dance you staged last Saturday night at the Foresters...Carmen Liwanag, Eva and Jessie Javier and Benny Culala, should not be overlooked; their efforts were fruitful and as such they all deserve three big, big cheers: How about it lads and Lassies? These young sextuplets sure displayed leadership that would make them social princes and princesses and how! But where did those skirts of varied colors and pants of different measurements come from? I haven't seen such an array of filipina pulchritude and such a galaxy of Filipino romeos in many, many good moons.. It was really noisy, hot and ter-r-r-rific! Gosh! And more gosh.

'Twas a community affair and everybody was supposed to be there; but look who were conspicuously absent; the Lozadas, the Cacases, the Suns, the de Asises nad the Brazils..Too bad the upper crust of Pinoy society didn't seem to appreciate the "hobo hop"; but we have somemore social occasions coming up, and I expect them to be PRESENT then...O! Yes that was CLEMENTE MORALES, altho'half-tight, having the fun of his life; very generous, too, in his bids for boxes but his missus, oh! Was she strict at the gate? What! No courtesy extended even to "gentlemen of the press", MRS. MORALES?...The Arejas, three of them-the senior, the missus and the junior proved to be good troupers; never

had I known a more public-spirited family than this. Orcids to you, Mr. And Mrs. Arsenio Areja and son!: Uniforms had definite appeal to the femmes; noticed where the gal's eyes focused while they were stepping the light fantastic? To that gent playing the cornet! Endowed with exceptional ability to play the brass coupled with his good-looking Mariano MORALES literally and figuratively swept the ladies off their feet!...

Maning Insigne finally heeded my plea to come out from his sanctum-sanctorium...surprised Salinas natives my bringing along willowy and beautiful Eleanor Galvez; but it quenched Mac Collado's restlessness and anxiety...Admirers of Pacita Todtod were somewhat flabbergasted when she failed to render a kundiman song; it wasn't her fault for the manager didn't ask her; nevertheless she was the life and toast of the frolic..Coming from far away Pittsburg was Christine Alcoy, who although new to the environment, because one of the most-sought-for partners; boys asking her hand were about ten deep! Her popularity was very threatening...And that was Teddy Magbuhos of Brentwood, 'petite but ravishingly lovely' with a beautiful hair-do: Sally codera, pride of Oakdale, was there too, prettier than ever with a "decided determination" to come back to Salinas sooner than anyone expects.

New faces: Joe Yngojo, handsome brother of talented Dolores of San Francisco, was there as a special guest of my "glamour gal of 1939": Aurelia Abenide of Guadalupe is a knockout who "would cause lots of tremors" in that region of herat should she decide to come and settle in these woods: The Sultan wasn't there but his spirit was: he donated a boXRudy Bugarin winning the prize for worst fripperies for men; Betty Lee Quintos, the prize for women...Mrs. Malbvas, the vest auctioneer, but we will soon miss her; she's decided to leave Salinas in favor of a southern city: J. Sarmiento and the Rambling Reporter of the journal are being sued for livil by your keyholder; imagine calling him the "ace sportwriter!": Many girls from the "Boulevard of Broken Dreams" were there,too, but missed their greater part of the fun; promised to go earlier; Patsy,Kay, Sonny and many others now know how Filipino dances are:

Mr. And Mrs. Frank Maratas Dropping in for a bite of sandwich at the Maye's-their first since the eatery was established: Mr. And Mrs. C. Sales were at the Luzon Pool Room during its opening-it was their former place...Jimmy Brilliante, new owner, invites Filipino patronage, which should be heeded: Dr. S. B. Ledesma's flame for somebody seems to have calmed down to a whisper as soft as the man's who is not there; quite stange!...Anita Cabaran and Angelina Seno of Alvarado were in town Saturday for a funeral: Rumor says that Capt. And Mrs. Mariano Sultit are due for deportation-a shock and loss to continental Pinoys: Commissioner Elizalde will fly from Washington to L. A. To witness the Garcia-Armstrong profile smashing fiesta; he's known as number one fisticuff enthusiast.

The Tanciong Lapiz-Betty Romero romance that was thought to be a scandal when I predicted in this column months ago came to its finale; they middle-aisled last Saturday and held a sumptuous dinner and dance at the Cominos in the evening; happy sailing!: Tony Hamoy and Trinidad Godinez who three weeks ago decided to end it all and call themselves husband and wife are reported already "infanticipation" and are ransacking stores for diapers and toys and cradles; so soon?: Rufina Cortez, first to succumb to the while of Leap Year, is also reported home with her ma for maturity.; the poor girl!: THE Legionario del Trabajo's banquet at the Rendezvous was "swell"; what of the fried chicken !: Event you should make a date with the Pacita Todtod's benefit dance in Salinas on March 30...My apology to Louise and Juanita Ballard for breaking my date; I couldn't just leave our community dance: Miss Lucille Ybarra -- when are you coming to Salinas again? Many young men are lonesome for you.

EXTRA-The Mail has already picked its candidate for Miss Unholy of 1940. Her name is still withheld for some reason. To give you an idea, her initial are P. L.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 29 January 1940, Page 1

### **Maratas Heads Salinas Delegates**

TRAVELERS HOTEL, Sacramento -- Among the several hundred delegates registered here from different cities of California the Salinas delegation representing the Rizal Lodge of that city. They are: Mr. And Mrs. B. R. Losada, Mr. And Mrs. F. B. Sun, Mr. And Mrs. F. S. Maratas, Mr. And Mrs. Johnny F. Cacas, Mr. and Mr. M. R. Galicia, Mr. And MRS. C. C. MORALES, Mr. And Mrs. Aresenio O. Areja, Santiago Geray, P. M. Olivete, Gabriel D. Javier, A. P. Filomeno, Felipe Arellano, Ritso Babiera, Mr. And Mrs. C. B. Sales, Desario Valen, Cosme Brazil and others.

Coming from Salinas also as guests at the convention social events were: President M. G. Collado, Felix Gonzales, Baltazar Sanchez and Delfin Cruz.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 08 January 1940, Page 1

### **Cannery Workers' Union President Warns Members Of Unscrupulous Leader**

Delegates are Lavishly Entertained by Members of "Shangrila" Order with Delicious Chicken Dinner

Trinidad A. Rojo, president of the Cannery Workers Union of Seattle, Local 7, an affiliate of the CIO, sounded the alarm last thursday evening, December 27, at the Manila Recreation Hall, stating that there is a movement afoot by some unscrupulous and self-asserted leaders from Seattle to organize another cannery union to replace Local 7. He exhorted the members here in

Salinas not be misled, but rather their faith in the present of newly-elected officers who are all trying their level best to solve all the problems of the union.

Mr. Rojo was with a delegation headed by Business Agent Vicente O. Navea, which toured the Pacific coast to inform all cannery workers of this movement and to give an authentic survey of the past and present administration.

The meeting was formally opened by Manuel Padua, who gave the keynote to the occasion. Besides Mr. Rojo, he introduced Ponciano Raymundo, manager of the place; Trustee Anicedo Manzano and Business Agent Navea, who reported on the financial standing of the union.

The speakers were interrupted by hearty applause from more than 200 present. After the speeches, the meeting was turned unto an open forum and the audiences bombarded the officials with questions relative to the activities of the present administration. Questions were also asked about the salmon cannery industry, about past claims, and about social security.

President Rojo said that for the coming operation, about 33 per cent of the operating capacity of all the canneries in Bristol Bay will not be permitted to run. If a cannery has six lines, chances are only four will be opened this summer.

It means that from 300 to 500 men will not be employed in the Bristol Bay area this coming season.

The delegation also advised cannery workers not to go to Seattle so early, if they are sure of their positions here, in order to save unnecessary expenses in waiting. Instead, they should continue working on their present jobs here to have more money when they go to Seattle.

While here, the delegations was well entertained at an elevated place baptized Shangri-la by fashionable bachelors. They were taken around by D. F. Cruz, publisher of the Mail, so that they may obtain first hand information about the labor situation and about the Filipino community in Salinas. They met several local leaders, among them Mr. And MRS. C. C. MORALES, Mr. And Mrs. C. B. Sales, Mr. And Mrs. B. R. Losada, E. R. Liwanag, A. C. Madalora, Pascual Wamil, M. B. Masilongan, Sultan M. L. Lozares, M. G. Collado, Bal Sanchez, B. Tangalin and other community leaders.

Although most of the members of the delegation caught severe«colds, after the meeting and the open forum, they motored to San Francisco to keep up with their itinerary which gave them only 21 days to cover more than 3000 miles.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 08 January 1940, Page 1

### **Salinas Valley Filipinos Stage Patriotic Programs To Commemorate Dr. Jose Rizal**

Community Center id filled to capacity: Mrs. C. S. Cepida, Guest of Honor, Discusses Filipino Martyr's life.

The forty-third commemoration of the death anniversary of the Filipino hero and Martyr, Dr. Jose Rizal, was observed by the Filipinos in Salinas Valley at the Filipino Community Center in the evening of Dec 30. The hall was packed to full capacity and no standing room was available. The patriotic and befitting program moved all those present, more so of the native tongue declamation by Mrs. B. R. Losada. The guest speaker, Mrs. Concepcion B. Cepida, a native of Camilling, Tarlac, and a government pensionada of the Filipino hero when she was exiled in Dapitan. She vividly portrayed his works and the life he led.

Mr. Catalia and his daughter, little Dolores, 7, rendered a duet of the plaintive Kundiman "Sawing Palad." The song was very sentimental and moved people to tears.

Other numbers of the program were: speech by F. Ventura, invocation by Rev. A. M. Patacsil, selection by Manuel's Orchestra, vocal solo by T. A. Areja, Jr, musical numbers by the Sea Islander Orchestra, and the singing of the Philippine National Anthem and America by the audience as a closing number.

Much of the success of the occasion was attributed to Dr. B. S. Ledesma, prominent physician and surgeon, and members of the various committees which staged the occasion. Dr. Ledesma also acted as toastmaster of the evening, while M. G. Collado, president of the Filipino community, read the message of Resident Commissioner Joaquin M. Elizalde reminding the Filipinos of the noble life and lofty ideals of Dr. Rizal.

The members of the program committee were: Dr. Ledesma, Mrs. Pauline C. MORALES, and Mrs. Adelia Cacas. Those who served on the decoration committee were: Mrs. B. R. Lervis, Mr. R. B. Sampayan, and M. L. Lolpares. Misses Eva and Jessie Javier, charming daughters of G. D. Javier, received the guests.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 29 July 1940, Page 1

### **Filipino Community Float Wins Third Place In Parade**

Colorful Pageantry of Colmo del Rodeo Passed in Review Before 40,000  
Mexican Float Wins First Prize With Chinese Association Float Second;  
Decision Given Thursday

Salinas staged Saturday evening, July 20, the most colorful Colmo del Rodeo pageantry in the history of its annual Big Week celebrations. Scintillating floats entered by enthusiastic participants, the blaring bands, drum and bugle corps and the drilled marchers who kept time with martial music all won the applause and admiration of the more than 40,000 spectators who jammed and ribbed their way on Monterey, Market and Main streets.

More than 8000 Filipinos from all over California and neighboring states flocked to see this pageantry and they applauded with pride when the local community float passed in review.

The artistic Community Float was graced by the presence of charming and beautiful girls of the Valley who all wore native costumes. Lovely Carmen Padilla and Helen Filomeno sat beside the crescent silvery moon design with Gloria Padilla, Eva Javier, Conchita Espinada, Jessie Javier, Remedios Andrade, Gertrude Baguio, Alejandra Pantohan and Helen Oliva paired besides the four twinkling little stars at the corners of the float, while four children, little Yolanda Lomongo, Felix Malbas, Jr, little Lily Malbas and Jerry Sun, Jr, stood apart on the sides.

This float was conceived and designed by Mrs. C. B. Sales, Mrs. F. O. Malbas, MRS. C. C. MORALES, Mrs. J. B. Sampayan, and Community President M. G. Collado. With the exception of MRS. MORALES, who was unable to see the result of her efforts due to her departure for the Philippines on the day the pageantry, the three rode in a car in front of the float.

#### ORDER OF APPEARANCES

The parade started on the corner of Main and St. John streets at 8:00 o'clock when the signal rocketed into the air. It passed Monterey street, circled Market street, and crawled on Main street where all units were loudly announced by microphones installed for the peoples and judges' convenience.

It was led by Leo Carlito who came to Salinas purposely for this occasion, and was immediately followed by the Army Band, then the army trucks and tanks of defense of modern warfare.

Then came the float of "Miss Sweetheart of California Rodeo" with Miss Mary Martin, winner of the contest, garbed in Rodeo Togs. Behind was the bugle corps of the American Legion and the American Legion Band, led by two drum majorettes who won salvos of applause by twirling their batons expertly. The Monterey County Fair float was an announcement of the coming opening of the fair in Monterey.

The Chinese Association float themed with a replica of the statue of Liberty was preceded by Chinese youngsters' drum corps and followed by lovely Chinese girls in their native costumes.

Kiddie Kapers' float followed with the San Joaquin County Club band playing with instruments well lighted. Then came their trained and drilled marchers who executed various drill formations.

A girl with a lighted torch was the attraction of the scintillating float of the P. G. & E. Band with a twirler drum majorette. The floats that followed this unit were the Spreckels Sugar co, with a band; the Rotary Club float with a woman holding the flag of the United States symbolic of universal peace; the band of the Oakland Tribune preceded the floats of the Red Cross and the American Fruit Growers Association. The band of the North Star from Los Banos closed this division.

The second division was led by the float, profusely decorated, with a girl who sat behind a revolving, lighted wheel; followed by the bathing beauties of Santa Cruz and the F. O. E. Drum corps. The Filipino Community Float was preceded by the Salinas Eagles' with children singing.

The drum corps of the Municipal Railway of San Francisco, the W. B. A. Float, preceded the winning float of the Mexicans, depicting an atmosphere of romance of old Mexico. A gay caballero was in a garden serenading his lovely senorita who coquettishly smiled behind her fan standing at her veranda.

Following this float were the units of the Logia Carozza, A. H. A, drum and bugle corps, women's drill team, cars from the San Luis Obispo stock show, a comical car of the East Alisal Sewer Project, and the Southern Pacific band.

Heading the third division of the pageantry was the float of Salinas Valley Ice Co, followed by the float of the Central Labor Council of a man on a mounted horse; National Association of Colored People float, the marchers of the Paradise Daughters of F. Elks, San Francisco chapter; the drum corps and marchers of the Eden Aerie of Hayward; the Legionarios del Trabajo band, led by three majorettes; the car of the Dog House Club; the San Francisco News Carriers' band; the Pescadero marchers; the drum corps of the Wahoo Tribe.

Closing the pageantry were the floats of the CYO, two little fighters in a ring; and the Salinas B. P. O. E. Float of a white elk, spaced by the Cowboy Band of Salinas, motorcycles of the Ramblers of Salinas and the fun-makers cars.

#### ORDERS OF PRIZES

Judges of the floats were Mrs. Dorothy E. Lacey, president of the Salinas Women's Club; former Gov. Frank F. Merriam and Fred S. Kistman of Oakland secretary-treasurer of the Kiwanis International. Army officers judged the other units.

The Mexican float was awarded first prize; the Chinese Association float, second; and the Filipino float, third.

Of the drum and bugle corps division, the American Legion Post No. 41 of Monterey won first; Alianza Hispano-Americana, second, and Oakland Tribune, third.

Of the drill teams, the honor guard of the Golden Gate International Exposition float, California Grays, won first prize; I. B. of B. P. O. E. of San Francisco, second, and Green Patrol team of the Native Daughters of Golden West of San Francisco chapter, third.

The San Francisco News Carriers band was awarded first among the participating bands.

In the float division of the Colmo del Rodeo pageantry, the third prize award was given to the FILIPINO COMMUNITY float, as announced by C. A. McAdams, chairman of the California Rodeo, Thursday evening. The prize was

originally given to the P. G. & E. Float, but was checked that it was not entered as a competitive float.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 29 July 1940, Page 5

**Photograph: This Is The Float Committee**

CAPTION: Responsible for the successful participation of a float in the Colmo pageantry are the above local leaders, who comprised the float committee. Left and right: Mrs. J. B. Sampayan, MRS. C. C. MORALES, President M. G. Collado, Mrs. F. O. Malbas, and Chairman Mrs. C. B. Sales.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 29 July 1940, Page 4

**Editorials**

**Paving the Way**

When the delegates to the First Filipino Inter-Community Conference convened in San Francisco in response to the call of Hon. Francisco Varona, acting as chief of the Nationals Division of the Philippine Resident Commissioner's office, they unanimously indorsed, among other things, the sending of an athletic delegation from California to Washington, D. C. To participate in the Filipino Tournament. It was agreed in the convention hall that this delegation will be headed by the members of the staff of The Philippines Mail.

The members of the staff wilfully accepted the responsibility of heading this delegation because it is another step taken to bring Filipinos in America closer together, a phrase which has been the charge of office to those who served and to those who are serving the organ ever since it was founded. By mere coincidence, this phrase was repeated by Hon. Varona when he personally indorsed the athletic delegation.

In view of this, winning in any of the events of the forthcoming athletic meet is secondary in importance, although, of course, the best California athletes should be sent. It is enough that the Filipinos on the Pacific Coast can meet and greet their fellow countrymen as delegates also from Detroit, Chicago, Brooklyn, New York City and Philadelphia as guests of the Filipino Community of Washington, D. C.

And in the meeting of the Filipinos from the West and the Filipinos in the East, they can exchange ideas and discuss their individual or common problems. Who knows but that in this meeting, solutions to some of our national problems here as nationals of the United States could be advanced by delegates from one of the Filipino communities.

Filipinos in the continental United States should always bear in mind that in 1944 a conference of American and Philippine officials will take place prior to the granting of Independence to adjust future relationships between the United

States and the Philippines. It is time, therefore, that they shall have a thorough knowledge of their problems, not mere familiarities, so that they can voice their opinions to the Philippine officials who in turn can talk for them in the conference.

Perhaps this California athletic delegation will pave the way for future conferences among Filipinos to ably discuss their problems of national importance.

#### We Are Proud and Happy

There are no regrets whatsoever that we participated in the Big Week celebration; in fact we feel relieved of the monotony of the daily routine of our existence. Instead, we feel proud and happy that we changed our minds and entered a community float in the Colmo del Rodeo pageantry which culminated the celebration. It is true we won a prize, but what is a prize but a material award to an effort! If we have had no place, it would have mattered not; we would have been proud and happy just the same, happy of having shown and given to Salinas our token of love and appreciation.

If accomplishment is the yardstick of success, those who have helped to make our participation worthy can rest assured that they have succeeded. In fact they have rendered a civic duty that shall always be a shining example among the Filipinos in the community.

A word of praise is due to Mrs. C. B. Sales, F. O. Malbas, MRS. C. C. MORALES, Mrs. J. B. Sampayan, and, last but not least, M. G. Collado, our community president. And to all the beauties who rode in the float, to all who helped morally and financially, may we say in behalf of the community, "Thank you, one and all."

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 29 July 1940, Page 4

#### **Photograph: This Is The Float Committee**

CAPTION: MRS. C. C. MORALES was tendered a get together party by the members of the Shangri-La, led by M. R. Galicia. Our photographer was able to snap a part of the group who attended this farewell party.

-- Photograph by Cardenas

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 29 July 1940, Page 5

#### **Civic, Social Leader Leaves For Philippines**

MRS. C. C. MORALES, well known civic and social leader among Filipinos in Salinas Valley, left for the Philippines on board the S. S. Tatsuta Maru which lifted anchor in San Francisco Saturday morning, July 20. With her is her son, Clemente, Jr..

Before her sailing, MRS. MORALES expressed her regret she could not see the Colmo del Rodeo pageantry which a Filipino float was entered. She

devoted much of her time in helping the community raise the fund necessary for making of the artistic float.

On July 18, a farewell party was tendered in her honor by members of the Shangri-La. This party was initiated by Mr. And Mrs. M. R. Galicia. Songs and speeches featured the after-dinner program held under the shady trees.

Val Arellano acted as sthe impromptu toastmaster and called on following: Frances La Verne sang "Sunshine"; little Lily Malvas sang that Kundiman "Pacing"; Helen Filomero gave another vocal solo, and the speeches of Mrs. B. R. Sampayan, and Mr. Galicia who all wished MRS. MORALES and her son a bon voyage.

In the evening of July 17, the Filipino Women's Club gave a party in her honor at the Community Centre.

Two days ago, M. G. Collado sent a cablegram to MRS. MORALES wishing her a pleasant trip on behalf of the community.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 8 July 1940, Page 6

### **Thousands Awaiting Rizal Lodge, No. 3, C. D. A, Inc, Picnic**

Executive Officers Are Certain 8000 Previous Record Will Be Broken --  
Barbecue, Dancing, Athletics and Side Shows Some of Many Events; Also  
Filipino National Games

Picnikers and fun-lovers will swarm the wide open space of El Toro Park this Sunday on the occasion of the seventh annual barbecue-picnic of the Rizal Lodge No. 3, local lodge under the banner of the Caballeros de Dimas Alang, Inc. The 8000 record attendance last year is anticipated by all members of the executive board in charge of this affair to be broken.

F. S. Maratas, general chairman, said that nothing is overlooked to insure a grand day for all. Members of the fraternal order were assigned to their posts, from gate to dance floor, and are expected, as in previous picnics, to work in clockwise precision.

To avoid congestion of traffic, Mr. Maratas said that the local Division of Highway Patrol accepted the request to send two speed cops to patrol the highway and handle traffic.

#### **BARBECUE**

Sizzling hot barbecue dishes will be served from 9 A. M. And will continue until the grounds close, presumably 8 in the evening. To have a rough idea of this end, be it known that the committee ordered 35 hogs, 200 pounds of weinies, 400 pounds of prime steer beef, 600 chickens, 12 sacks of rice, 200 loaves of bread (not much use of bread), soft drinks of all kinds, and beer by the barrels.

Cafeteria service will be followed, save that the customers should first buy his barbecue-ticket from a nearby booth set up for this purpose. Additional tables were also set up to allow as many people to eat together as possible.

#### DANCING

A la taxi-dancing will be one of the main attractions. Dance lovers will find the dance floor smooth and glossy and will dance to the hot and melodious tunes of the Visayan Swingsters. Incidental singing with the orchestra will be requested from the audience from time to time. Microphones are to be installed to broadcast.

A feature in the dance will be prizes to winners in waltz, foxtrot, and jitterbug.

All girls in Alviso, Watsonville, Salinas, Stockton, and from other cities promised to attend. Of course, this does not mean that only they could have the floor; all could dance, provided the fiddler is paid.

#### NATIONAL SPORT

But perhaps the greatest attraction of this barbecue-picnic is the FILIPINO NATIONAL SPORT concession under the chairmanship of E. Canete, one of the ranking contractors in the Valley. He will be assisted by D. Sepulvida, S. Villanueva, H. Paraguya, S. Lindo, F. Malvas, and C. Basalio. Mrs. Steve Canete and Mrs. F. O. Alves will be cashiers.

This thrilling sport will attract Filipinos from all over California and all concerned for its success have given word that everything is under control. In the Philippines, Filipinos from their farms and fields wake up when the cock crows so they could go to town early, in order not to miss any game.

#### ATHLETICS

Softball games are arranged to be played between the teams of San Francisco, Salinas, VALLEJO, and in all probability, Guadalupe. It is said there will a round-robin to select the champion.

The local team is captained by Candida Semilia and chairmaned by Tirso Babisra.

There will also be ping-pong games and will be open to all contestants with an entrance fee of 25c.

The names of the members of the committee in athletics are: Tirso Babiera, chairman; F. Maratas, E. Colantro, S. Oliveros and C. Semilia, members.

#### OTHER ATTRACTIONS

Listed as other attractions in the release given to all members of the famous fraternal order are the bingo tables, lucky ring shoot, rifle range target practice, duck pond, awarding of grand prizes by B. R. Losada, and many minor side shows with booths.

To add color to the occasion all members of the order, local or delegates from other lodges, are advised to wear their Turbantes.

A day before the picnic, announcers will ride to town to invite all to attend and to announce all the features of the day.

Advance barbecue-tickets will soon be distributed for sale.

#### OFFICERS OF THE DAY

Besides Mr. Maratas, chairman, the following were listed as officers in the roster:

B. R. Lozada, assistant general chairman; M. R. Galicia, general treasurer; F. M. Arelliano, general secretary; Mr. Galicia, chairman of finance; G. Javier, chairman of concessions; J. B. Sampayan, chairman of kitchen and sales; Mr. Lozada, chairman of equipment and supplies; Santiago S. Geray, chairman of waiters; F. B. Sun, chairman of advertising and publicity and tickets; C. C. MORALES, chairman of transportation; V. Orlanes, chairman of refreshments; A. Filomeno, chairman of beer sales; J. Cacas, chairman of dance and entertainment; A. Areja, chairman of bingo; T. Babiera, chairman of athletics; Mrs. A. Calitisen, chairman of reception; F. Filomeno, chairman of the duck pond; E. Colantro, chairman of patrols and parking; P. M. Olivete, chairman of clean-up; and C. T. Alfafara, E. R. Liwanag and C. Brasil, announcers.

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SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 15 August 1941, Page 1

### **Hospital Fund Drive Under Way**

In a special meeting of the Filipino Community of Salinas Valley held at the Filipino Center Thursday evening, the campaign for funds to be donated to the non-profit community hospital of the city of Salinas will start next week. President Eugenia Sales and Dr. S. B. Ledesma, chairman of the Non-Profit Hospital Committee, outlined plans for an effective campaign and set the goal of the Filipinos to be not less than \$5000.

In the meeting it was passed that the Filipino community be pledged to donate the 18 beds of the hospital which will total to some \$3600. This pledge was to be given Friday evening when the group of Americans charged with the raising of funds met at the Cominos hotel. In this dinner meeting, the Filipino Community was to be represented by a committee headed by President Sales and Dr. Ledesma.

The five campaign teams and its captains are as follows:

Dr. S. B. Ledesma, captain; M. B. Masilongan, F. S. Maratas, Virginia Villamor, members. J. B. Cacas, captain; F. B. Sun, B. R. Losada, Mrs. Ramona Losada, and F. Arellano, members. J. B. Sampayan, captain; C. C. MORALES, C. Brasil, J. D. Javier, and the Javier Sisters, members. Mrs. Eugenia Sales, captain; Vic Calderon, E. R. Liwanag, V. Calsado, Frances Gutierrez and Rebecca

Paculba, members. Emil K. Bautista, captain; Jarley Fagan, Floria Padilla, M. L. Lozares and V. Torres, members.

The labor camps were well distributed to each campaign team to handle and it is expected that this will facilitate the campaign. All members of the campaign teams and guests are to meet every Monday evening in a designated cafe or restaurant to make reports.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 30 April 1941, Page 1

### **Mrs. Sulit Speaks Over Sta. Khub**

Captain and Mrs. Mariano Sulit, prominent member of the San Francisco community, accompanied by Albert Raquepo, were in Salinas visiting friends last Saturday and Sunday, April 19 and 20. While in Salinas they were the house guests of the well known couple, Mr. And Mrs. B. R. Losada.

On the evening of Saturday Mrs. Sulit was the guest speaker during the installation and ball held at the Foresters hall in honor of the newly-elected officers of the Salinas Valley Community. Sunday noon Mr. And Mrs. Cosme Brazil tendered a lechon party in their honor at their Fort Ord area camp. At 4 o'clock in the afternoon Mrs. Sulit, through the invitation of Frank Lomongo, director of the Filipino Melody Hour program at KHUB radio station in Watsonville, spoke on the subject of Philippine-American social, economic, labor, civic, political relations, especially here on the coast.

Besides the honored guests the following were also present: Vicente Navea, president of the CIO Alaska canners; Sultan Lozares, CLEMENTE C. MORALES, Mr. And Mrs. B. R. Losada, Mr. And Mrs. Johnny Cacas, Albert Raquepo, Dr. S. B. Ledesma and Alex L. Fabros.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 29 October 1941, Page 2

### **Thorns And Roses (29oct41)**

By ALEC L. FABROS

Top news of the weak is the mass resignation of the entire force of the Pacific Coast Agency. Dr. Macario Bautista's absence from that office is a great loss to coastal Filipinos. Counted heavily to carry on the mission of the branch he surprised everybody by tendering his walking papers when had hardly started to put the machine into full operation. Messrs. C. T. Alfafara and C. Briones, who did comemorable work, were, according to grapevine circuit, purged... Mr. G. S. Moreno, ex-grand secretary of the Dimas, is slowly but surely gaining momentum in his comeback trail. Years ago he was the acknowledged contractor biggie in the valley but for no fault of his own he descended into oblivion and went somewhere, only a few know where. Judging from the way he's going now, why the handsome and sympatico a la mestizo is really headed, unstoppable, toward the throne of his lost laurels and prestige. My due respect for his courage.

After Nellie Pacheco came back from her famous Reno-run, bay region gossipers breathed out that Katherine Blanco would be the next deb to hit the road. Well, I hardly wait for the date with all its trimmings... This column once again scored a bullseye. Two issues back it predicted that incumbent, Vicente O. Navea, would come out from that CIO scuffle unscratched and untouched. Roses to you, Vicente, here's hoping for another successful term... Miss Nora Argonza, the Vallejo eye-catcher and neck-twister, was for a night monickered "Her Majesty, Nora I." Reason for this was that she was crowned queen of the Filipino Community of Solano county, Oct. 12.

Atty. Mrs. Captain Estela Romualdez-Sulit's classification of women according to bachelors' tastes fascinates me. Yes, give me a gal who loves gay societies and light fantastic and you will locate me just a breath away from heaven and paradise!... FALA pres. And Journal Ed. Johnny Dionisio and Pacofico commander Manuel M. Insigne have a nice way of calling each other. The former calls the latter an ex-newspaperman and ex-laborite while the latter in retaliatory defense calls the former a communist leader. Nice, colleagues, picking thorns at each other (and let me also add that Manny is an "ex-romancer and ex-dreamer")... The Belgrade gov't decrees that the hair of all gamblers be shaved to expose them to public contempt. What if a similar edict would be enforced here? I betcha 95% of our population would be boulevarding with their skulls free of "drapes." And that a very, very conservative estimate, for our race is known as reckless game-of-chance indulger. Mr. Marciano Foronda, the newest benedict, writes; "I enjoy your column; your lines are very intriguing; write more for Foronda enjoys them with gusto." Thanks for the encouragement... Casanova Paul Marron also reminds: "Don't put your eggs in only one basket; scatter them all over the world." No wonder the handsome is dubbed by acquaintances as Casanova... Judges at the recent costume ball had lapses in their eyesight. To me Della Cacas should have won the prize offered for the best dressed Pinay. Her mestiza frippery was simply be-ooooo-tiful! Bet everybody was taken back when the show was at its accelerated tempo; when good-looking caballero Menting MORALES and kundiman sisher Marina Malbas danced the Carinosa at its finale! Me too, was reminded of the glorious moments when my first apple and I (in barong tagalog) were wispering sweet nothings under the lambent tropical moon's smiles.

The newly-organized femmes body, the International Women's Club of Watsonville, embraces all women irrespective of race as long as they are the wives of Juan de la Cruzes. And that's a hint, you Salinas sisters. Why don't you include in your group these mestizas and wives of your brothers?...

I know exactly how Johnny Cacas feels after missing that 500 smackers at the Fox last Cash Club night for 500 is 500 in any language, boy.

I have been chasing luck since I came out into this fickle world, but when it finally decided to give me the tumble I wasn't there to clutch it. For that miscue I gave myself a crashing sock of the chin that sent me sprawling into dreamland for about two weeks. What would you do if you won \$300 smackers but you were not there to claim it 'caues you elected to attend another thing instead?

That was Salinas when -- Approximately 5000 stopped working for full two months asking for a five-cent raise and wages... Sectionalism and gangsterism infested Chinatown; killing and stabbing were the order of the day and stealing and pickpocketing were not uncommon occurrences almost every minute.... Carmen de la Pena at the zenith of her stage career was killed by a bullet from a gun in the hands of a jealous lover... The Big-Three were composed of the late Alex Alcantara, the late Bernard Lozares and Bartolome Losada... The gay societies were governed by the Titing Lomongo, Palac Maratas and Peping Sun, known then as the Three Musketeers... Contractors were experiencing many sleepless nights because of the presence and continued encroachment and harassment of "fly-by-night" labor bosses... Pinoys patronages were all snatched by the Japanese and Chinese merchants for there were no establishments of our own then.

When the whole population flocked San Francisco for the Bartolome Losada-Romana Green nuptials... Volleyball was the game of the moment, and rivalries among the clubs reaching gigantic proportions that often times betting reached unbelievably staggering amounts... The beauties were Rosie Antonio, Annie Avilla, Mary Rosario, Mary Looy, Christine Selor and Corrine de la Pena.... Three publications, the Philippine Mail, Advertiser and the New Philippines, were reaching everybody's address... Juan Clemente, the adopted Daddy of the inhabitants, unexpectedly passed away, leaving inconsolable souls even up to this moment.... Rackets of diversified forms abounded and netted bulky amounts from the ignorant and easily-swayed suckers.... All camps were quarantined for two weeks, because authorities suspected that greenhorns brought about the rapidly-spreading spinal meningitis.... The campaign for the different community officers was a red-hot simulation of Philippines politics with the radio, screen, newspaper, camp-to-camp and house-to-house method, baby-kissing and blow-outs were the commonest mediums used by the candidates to entice votes.

Yes, that was Salinas when the militant Mga Anak Ng Bukid was at its power, staging the most colorful Flag Day celebration ever held in these confines.... Filipino students at the local junior college constituted 25% of the whole enrollment... Racial prejudice was so great that every American you met would call you unprintable names.... The Manila Hotel (now the Paris) and the Plaza Hotel were the only Filipino hostelryes.... Messrs. Luis Agudo, H. P. Carongay, Marcuelo and Manuel M. Insing were branded labor agitators by the

contractors. Yes, it is sweet to reminisce nostalgically the events of the past. Maybe sometimes I will go on reminiscing about things that really did happen here and elsewhere. So bye-bye now until the next edition.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 30 October 1941, Page 1

### **Christening Party Is Well Attended Here**

Torrential rains could not scare away people to flock into that mammoth Armory hall last Sunday evening, October 26, during the christening party held in honor of baby Prospero Quevedo, youngest child of Mr. And Mrs. Primo Quevedo of the Blanco District. Instead more that 200 people, mostly members of the upper crust of Philippine society, were there and enjoyed themselves to the limit by dancing from 8 -- 12 to the rhythmic music of Manuel's Orchestra and loaded their breadbaskets with delicious sandwiches and punch.

Godparents of baby Prospero are all well known social and labor luminaries in central California. Mr. And Mrs. Stanley Rigunay of Salinas, Mr. And Mrs. Jimmy Brillante of Soledad, Mr. Restituto B. Sampayan of Gonzales, Mrs. M. R. Galicais of Salinas, Mr. CLEMENTE C. MORALES of Salinas, Mrs. Rosie Estrella of Watsonville, and Mr. George Guerrero and Mrs. Vicky Cordero of Salinas are the godparents who with their combined efforts made the affair a very successful one.

An extemporaneous program was also held. It consisted of presentation of the godparents and well known guest and visitors, vocal rendition by Martha Braga, the child wonder, short talks by Stanley Rigunay, Mrs. C. B. Sales and Primo Quevedo.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 30 November 1941, Page 1

### **Rizal Lodge, Cda Elects Officers**

The Rizal Lodge, No. 3, CDA, Inc, elected its 1942 officers last Sunday, Nov. 16. The following were elected:

J. F. Caca, Worshipful Master; C. C. MORALES, Senior Warden; C. B. Sales, Junior Warden; A. P. Filomeno, Prosecutor E. Colantro, Chaplain; M. R. Galicia, Treasurer; F. M. Arellano, secretary; J. B. Sampayan, auditor; L. Puyod, Investigator; and G. D. Javier, instructor.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 22 December 1941, Page 5

### **Four-Yr. Romance Ends In Wedlock December 14**

The Miguel-Bautista Evangeline Javier four-year romance ends in romance Dec. 14 at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. The wedding ceremony was solemnized at the Methodist Church while the wedding party was celebrated at Foresters hall.

Attended by the most of the prominent people of the Valley the vicinities, the bride was given away by her father Mr. Gabriel Javier. She wore a beautiful white satin gown and gardenias with orange blossoms. Her bridesmaid wore powder-blue dresses with red roses and pink peas. Mrs. Marina Malbas was the matron of honor and the bridesmaids were the Misses Sally Codera of San Jose, Lourdes Solidor of Watsonville, Virginia Villamore, Frances Guterrez and Jessie Javier of Salinas. Mr. C. B. Sales was the best man and the ushers were Messrs. Victor Calderor, Gene Daclayan, Benny Recta, Ernie Lista and Paul Nava all of Salinas. Little Martha "Shirley" Braga of Watsonville was the flowergirl.

The bride-elect is a prominent member of the Salinas community. He is a graduate of Gonzales high school class of 1941; ex-assistant treasurer of the Filipino Community, she has been taking an active part in the social undertakings of the local colony.

The bridegroom hails from Morong, Rizal, Philippines. He has been maintaining his residence in this area since arriving from the island some years ago.

Immediately following the wedding the couple left for the southland for their honeymoon. They expect to be there visiting Los Angeles Imperial Valley and possibly Arizona. They plan to return here early in the spring.

The Rizal Lodge No. 3, C. D. A, Inc, of which the groom is a member, gave a sumptuous wedding party for the couple in the evening. Dinner and refreshments were served; Speeches were given by some well known guests, followed By a dance that lasted until the wee small hours of the morning. Toastmaster, of the evening was Frank Maratas, while Mrs. Jean Sales conducted the floor ceremony. Among those present were Mr. And Mrs. J. B. Sampayan, Mr. And Mrs. B. R. Losada, Mr. And Mrs. C. B. Sales, Mr. And Mrs. Johnny Cacas, Mr. And Mrs. F. Malbas, Mr. And Mrs. Frank Maratas, Mr. And Mrs. Antonio Calitesen, Mr. And Mrs. Felipe Sun, Mr. And Mrs. M. R. Galicia, Mr. And Mrs. P. Oliveti, Mr. And Mrs. Barnachia, Mr. And Mrs. M. Layugan, Mr. And Mrs. Guterrez, Mr. And Mrs. Max Mendoza, Mr. And Mrs. Cosme Brazil, Mr. And Mrs. Constancio Lapiz, Mr. And Mrs. A. Reymundo, Mr. And Mrs. J. Avilla, Mrs. Braga, Mrs. Fausto Pagacian, Mrs. Mario Padilla, Dr. S. B. Ledesma, Dr. DavidMalig.

Misses Gloria Padilla, Carmen Padilla, Constancia Amado, Rebecca Paculba, Remedios Solidor, Lucille Avilla, Messrs. Dan Conception, Sultal Lozares, Johnny Soria, Benny Santa Maria, Reymundo Menes, Ignacio David, Delfin F. Cruz, Alex L. Fabros, CLEMENTE MORALES, Jerry Cortez, etc.

-- By Alex L. Fabros.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 15 September 1941, Page 1

### **El Toro Scene Of Grand Picnic**

Little Bernard Patrick, new addition to the Mr. And Mrs. F. O. Malabas family, was the main attraction and object of well wishers of throngs and picnickers in the occasion of this christening party held at El Toro Park yesterday.

The godparents of the child are C. C. MORALES, C. B. Sales, Mrs. M. G. Layugan, and Mrs. M. R. Galicia.

At the park, F. S. Maratas gave a good imitation of a Hindu dance, while F. B. Sun gave a Chinese dance and J. F. Cacas danced a hula-hula.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 30 October 1941, Page 2

### **Society Notes (30oct41)**

By Vic C. Calderon

Sultan Lozares, Cleto Paculba, Mr. And Mrs. Jovita Paculba, Rebecca Paculba, Mr. And Mrs. Mary Ates and Mac Auditor were weekend vistors in Southern California. While there they were the guests of Miss Lolita Dolores Lechuga of San Bernadino, a compadre of Sultan. Saturday they were the dinner guests of Dick Pimentel of Anaheim and then attended the dance in the evening. Sunday, they were entertained by Mrs. Merce Lechuga of Placentia and then they were invited to a dinner at the home of Mr. Fillmore Laoyan of Anaheim. Sunday afternoon they visited Miss Estela Abarquez, the toast of Placentia. They returned to Salinas early monday morning tired but full of memories.

A semi-final rally dance to enhance the candidacy of Miss Sally Codera of Oakdale and San JOse, one of the candidates of the current Philippines Mail Subscription Drive Contest, will be held under the auspices of the well known Filipino Press Club of California. The occasion which is expected to draw one of the biggest crowds of the season in the garden city will be held at the Italian Benevolent Hall, 129 North Market Street in San Jose. The date will be November 21.

Her campaign managers are letting no grass grow under their feet. They have been here and there canvassing every member of the "Sally Codera Club", for his "sky-the-limit" help to her cause. They are all determind and very ambitious to see their candidate come out the victor in the Philippines Mail scramble. Boys from Pleasanton, San Jose, Alvarado, Oakdale and even from the bailiwick of her bitterest rival Rosy Maskardo of Mountain View, are all set to do the sacrifice. So boys, watch out for this date. For fun, excitement, thrills, fine dancing, and beautiful gals, I recommend you attend this dance.

Under the sponsorship of the Sons of the Philippines, Inc, Miss Rosalie Asis of Fairfield and one of the energetic contestant of the Philippines Mail Subscription Drive, will be honored with a dance. This dance will be her final rally-calling all the available help of her loyal supporters. The occasion will be

held at the S. D. E. S. Hall in Fairfield, on November 30. Admission will be \$1.00.

Miss Asis, who has been quite lackadaisical in her campaign the early part of the movement because of a conflict with her sister's activities, is showing a concerted action toward the realization of winning the coveted title of Miss Philippines Mail of 1941. She seems determined to reach the top of the heap and stay there regardless of the threats of her rivals. In Northern California, Miss Asis is extremely popular among paisanos. Grapevine informs us that those boys there are a 100% behind her ambitions.

Philippines Mail Subscription Drive Contest candidate, Miss Remedios Solidor of Watsonville, will give her last rally dance on November 22. It will be held at the Veteran's Memorial Auditorium of Watsonville.

Judging from the movements of her loyal supporters this forthcoming has the earmark of a successful one in both financial as well as in attendance. The hostess three position in the current hot drive, and there's a likelihood that she will spring a surprise—depending of course on the result of her rally dance.

Salinas and Watsonville admirers of the cute and petite candidate are busy campaigning in her behalf. If rumor and expectation pan out to reality on this dance, Miss Solidor's many supporters will really "Go to work."

An automobile injury caused the death of little Ramona Salizar, four-year-old sister of the Misses Eva and Virginia Salazar of Oakdale. The deceased was one of the persons involved in automobile accident in Mt. Eden about three weeks ago. She was taken to the Hayward hospital, and after battling for her life for 2 weeks past away.

Her remains were taken to Oakdale where she was buried in October 22. Acting as pallbearers were Gloria Gaitos, Jesse Apodaca, Nellie Trujello, Consuelo Gacer, Virginia Salazar, and Eva Salazar. The Philippines Mail and its staff join her family in its bereavement.

Miss Anita Cabaran, the songbird and popular Filipina of Alvarado, California will be honored by Philippine Products Corporation of America on Nov. 14. On that night she will be the hostess at a dance to be held at the Japanese hall, Alvarado, under the auspices of the newly organized economic body. Miss Cabaran's popularity among California boys will doubtless help a great deal in drawing a big crowd to the hop.

Mr. Robert Pagarigan, one of the rising poets of Southern California and prominent member of the United Tarlakenians, Los Angeles branch was a Salinas visitor this week. While here he spent most of his time visiting friends and relatives whom he has not seen or met for the past 15 years. Publisher Delfin Cruz took him around and introduced him to Valley people. Mr. Pagarigan is a cousin of our columnist, Alex L. Fabros.

The newly organized Suisun Lodge, U. D. No. 41, Caballeros de Dimas-Alang, Inc, of America will stage its first annual benefit dance on Sunday, Nov. 23. It will be held at the S. D. E. S. Hall, Fairfield, at 8:00 in the evening. The famous Gay Landers Orchestra from Oakland has been engaged to furnish the music for the night's frolic.

Little Ernesto de Peralta, son of Mr. And Mrs. Osmundo de Peralta, was tendered a christening party last Monday night at the Veteran's Memorial Hall, Watsonville. Many friends and relatives of the Peralta's responded to their invitation and the hall was packed to capacity.

Godparents of the child are: Fred Flores, Mike Bobila, Bob Ramos, Mrs. E. Reyes, Mrs. Molly Nisperos, and Miss. Narcisa Yana.

Miss Lolita Dolores Lechuga, charming lass and most popular girl of San Bernadino was the winner of a silver cup of a popularity contest sponsored by the Luna Lodge, No. 8, CDA, Inc, held in Anaheim, last Saturday night, Oct. 25. Others who entered the contest were Misses Cecilia MORALES, Pacita Montayre, Gloria Abarquez, Maria Liermia, Ramona Gonzales. The success of the affair was attributed to the energetic leadership of Mr. M. F. Laoyan.

Six-year-old Eleanor Alves, daughter of Mr. And Mrs. Florencio R. Alves, was tendered a delightful surprise party, last Tuesday, Oct 21, on the occasion of her sixth birthday anniversary at their residence, 612 "F" street, Fresno. Eleanor's juvenile guests were Violet Campos, Dolores Campos, Lolita Villeneuve, Jerry Villeneuve, Amador, Rupert and Manuel Tamayo, Jr. And a few others.

The Filipino Economic Association of California will sponsor a social dance this Saturday evening at the Veteran's Memorial Hall, Watsonville. It is anticipated that a good crowd will respond to the invitation of Mr. A. M. Uminga, president of the newly founded association. Miss Lourdes Solidor, "sweetheart" of the Filipino community of Salinas Valley will be the hostess of the evening.

Filipinos of Salinas Valley who are working in Mare Island will hold a benefit dance, Saturday night, Nov. 29, at San Pablo Hall, VALLEJO. Emil K. Bautista, vice-president of the Community, is the general chairman. According to Mr. Bautista, 3 titles will be awarded as follows: "Glamour Girl", "It Girl", and "Oomph Girl. "

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OAKLAND READY FOR THIRD CONFERENCE

COMMENTARIES

By Juan B. Sarmiento

Free Press

Today -- as never before -- a nation that has still a FREE PRESS realizes its tremendous importance. Without a free press, the people are kept in the dark --

they don't know what is actually going on. The free press is one of the beacon lights of liberty. And without light, there is no road. "Give light, and the people will find their own way." And the nation that has a free press should -- if it could -- keep it FREE. America enjoys freedom of the press, also freedom of speech and religious worship. That is why America is great. We Filipinos believe in a free press. We have made considerable progress in this field. We have in the Philippines newspapers that compare favorably with the big metropolitan newspapers here. Many of our trained journalists and writers write for American newspapers and magazines.

#### OUR EFFORTS HERE.

In our own way, often crude and haphazard, we manage to keep alive a few publications here in California. The story of Filipino publishing ventures here in America is a sad one to relate. A publication is often started on a shoe-string-basis. After soliciting a few ads, the publisher-editor goes to press. The newspaper or magazine seldom takes in enough money to cover the printing bill. And so many Filipino newspapers and magazines have come and gone. Most of them really deserved to die -- those that were poorly edited and those there were not serving the public interest. A few that did deserve to live, died for lack of nourishment! However, we can pride ourselves in the fact that we still have creditable publications still clinging to life. Take, for instance, The Philippines Mail (Salinas) and The Philippine Journal (Stockton), these newspapers are quite influential, they are ably edited, and they have a wide circulation. The Mail is the older of the two.

#### SUBSCRIPTION DRIVE

In order to increase its newsgathering facilities. The Mail has launched a subscription drive in the way of a contest. Participating in the contest are nine of the most popular and charming young women of our group. The contest will, we believe, result in the addition of at least 5000 new subscribers to The Mail. The Mail has served the public's interest faithfully. It deserves a break. In its drive for new subscribers, the public should give it the needed support. It is about time that we pay The Mail for value received. It is no secret that we like to read Filipino newspapers but don't want to pay for this privilege. We are, of course, speaking in general terms. At heart, however, most of us like to pay our way through life.

#### STRONG EDITORIAL STAFF

The Mail, if it wants to, can boast of a strong editorial staff -- strong in the sense that it uses the services of able Filipino writers like Rojo, San Diego, Ruiz, Villamin, Dino, and Fabros. The managing editor of The Mail, our Mr. Masilongan, is a seasoned journalist: he writes commendable editorials. The publisher of the Mail, Delfin F. Cruz, is a very enterprising young fellow. He it is that keeps The Mail alive and strong. Then there is our always divinely charming

city editor, the ever popular Pacita. She, too, adds strength to The Mail's editorial staff. Her forte is society.

#### NEW DEAL

Let us give our publisher a new deal, what do you say? Unless you are a publisher or a writer, you would now know what it is to try to write with your stomach empty. In their humble way, these gallant men -- the newspapermen -- give more value in point of service for what little they receive for it in compensation, than any other group that we know of. Newspaper is a necessity to you. Your support is a necessity to the newspaper. What do you say to practicing RECIPROCITY? A sort of "you hang on to me and I'll hang on to you" idea. That's now new, you know.

Editor's Note: It is against our editorial policy to run articles praising The Mail or the members of its staff, for fear we might be called herbalists, but due to the subscription campaign recently launched, which is the theme of this article, we conceded to the wish of our able commentator.

#### STROBEL EXHORTS AMICABLE RELATIONSHIP EXISTING IN FARM LABORERS IN SALINAS

Occasion Afforded in Banquet Ball at Swank Cominos Hotel Given by the Famous Labor Supply Assn.

H. L. Strobel, president of the Associated Farmers of Monterey County, took occasion to exhort on the ideal relationship existing in Salinas Valley between the shippers and growers on one hand and the Filipino laborers on the other as represented by the members of famous Labor Supply Association, Inc, at a sumptuous banquet held at the Cominos Hotel in Salinas, June 7, given by the Filipino Labor Supply.

Mr. Strobel related the asparagus strike which raged in Stockton and Sacramento area and said that the farmers there suffered tremendously. He, however, pointed out that Filipinos also suffered great loss in their earnings.

The asparagus strike, according to Mr. Strobel, would have been averted had not been due to the interference of "outsiders" who led the Filipinos in their demand for a master contract, a contract which was deemed a closed shop and could not be granted by the farmers. Some farmers, of course, being pressed gave in to the Filipinos' demand under the leadership of the Filipino Agricultural Laborers Association in Stockton, an affiliate of the American Federation of Labor, but doubts as to its practicability.

During the discourse of Mr. Strobel, inviting closer relationship of Filipino labor and their farm employers, his remarks seemed to have been addressed to Dr. Macario Bautista director of the branch office of the Philippine Resident Commissioner established recently in San Francisco, who was one of the many prominent guests present.

Dr. Bautista, when he spoke, omitted remarks about the strike in Stockton. He pointed to all that Filipinos in America and in the Philippines are giving all they could, economic wealth, man power and cooperation with the United States, in the national defense movement. The Philippines, Dr. Bautista said, hardly has an income equal to the city of San Francisco, but just the same it is at the disposal of the United States.

And on Filipino farm laborers, Dr. Bautista also stated his admiration in the splendid relationship of the Filipinos in Salinas Valley with their employers and is considered in many areas as "ideal."

The other speakers were Austin E. Anson, secretary-manager of the Shipper-Grower Vegetable Association of Central California, and H. P. Garin, president of the same association, guest of honor of the evening.

Mr. Anson reiterated his faith in the leadership of the Labor Supply and that his association will deal with no other group or association in so far as farm labor is concerned but the Labor Supply. He pointed out also that Filipinos are lucky in having chosen Salinas Valley as the place where to earn because there is no other place in the land where they could receive higher farm wages.

Mr. Garin commended the splendid leadership of the members of the Labor Supply and wished that the amicable relationship which now exist in Salinas Valley be continued. He spoke only a few minutes, asserting then that practically all the items that could be brought up were touched or spoken of by the previous speakers. He was largely applauded and after his speech he said that he admired the efficiency of Filipino labor and that is why his company employs thousands of filipino laborers.

M. R. Galicia, president of the Labor Supply, with due modesty, told his listeners that the Labor Supply is always conscious of its duties as a labor organization and is thankful of the gains given by the shippers and growers in the Valley. On the ideal relationship existing, he was supplemented by Atty. R. W. Shellooe, attorney of the Labor Supply, when he gave the concluding remarks.

All these speakers were ably introduced by G. S. Moreno, secretary of the Labor Supply, who acted as toastmaster of the evening. His versatility in introducing them was greatly admired. He also gave the welcome address.

The musical numbers were given by Miss Pacita Todtod, who sang first "Awit ng Pagibig," a plaintive kundiman, and as an encore sang "Amapola," a popular number. Miss Todtod also danced rhumba with Salle Mendoza, Miss Todtod sang first in lieu of Mrs. Marina Malbas who was unable to attend due to unavoidable circumstances.

Mesdames J. B. Sampayan and Ramona Losada gave a duet of "Arimunding Munding" first with young Peaches Olivete at the piano, and as an encore sang "manila Memories."

During the banquet and during the ball, music was furnished by the Manuel's Orchestra.

Invocation was pronounced by Rev. A. M. Patacsil and also the benediction.

The officers of the Labor Supply are M. R. Galicia, president; Cosme Brasil, vice president; G. S. Moreno, secretary; A. O. Areja, assistant secretary; C. C. MORALES, treasurer; Jim Brillante, assistant treasurer; P. M. Olivete, publicity director, and D. Gabisan and C. Lansang, sergeant-at-arms.

Much of the success of the occasion was attributed to Mr. MORALES who devoted much of his time in looking after the success of the banquet.

Personalities were introduced by F. B. Sun, past president of the Labor Supply.

"Sweetheart"

Winsome Sally Codera of Oakdale won second, "Sweetheart of the Nova Ecijanos," at the first tabulation and presentation dance of The Philippines Mail held in conjunction with the annual dance of the Nova Ecijanos of Salinas last May 30. Sally may be trailing second, but many believe she will not be content to stay that way long.

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### **Thorns And Roses (31may42)**

by Alex L. Fabros

To my friends and critics: Thanks a million for your kind letters and thoughtfulness. I now realize that you really enjoyed and missed the "thorns and roses" dash on your newspaper meal. I always thought that the "thing" was an unnecessary condiment and that its presence in your food would create unpalatability. But today I found out that such nonsensical mental attitude was only a creation of a fatigued and over-social activited brain.

During my three-months' retreat the thought of coming back to your hangouts to decorate you with the choicest thorns and roses obtainable in any garden always percolated in my coconut shell, but my scattered wits and nerves failed to asseble in due time. Your letters and pleadings came too often until I could no longer resist or ignore their flatteries. So, as human being it is natural that I succumbed to your very nice invitation to re-enter the well-known paradise where "thorns and roses" grow in superfluous abundance. Now, friends and critics, are you in a receptive mood to experience the "pains and sensations" to be inflicted by my notorious exploration in that green carpeted garden? Are you?

Nationally famous economist Vicente Villamin, the unbeatable drum-beater for the deposed or usurped American capitalists in the Philippines, was in Salinas Sunday looking over the labor situation in the valley. Over the choicest

Chinese epicures he discussed before many local biggies subjects confronting us -  
- which I am sorry to say he refused to be quoted.

High ranking officials of the Alaska Salmon Packers will be in the state this week to recruit hundreds of workers. Now unless our farm hand employers would hike up the wages substantially it is a cinch that ninety per cent of the boys would pack up their tooth brushes and march northward. Monthly wages and hourly overtime pay are very fascinating to resist. So better do something Mr. Farm Employer...Second Lieutenant was recently added to the cognomen of Alex Alcantara, es-Salinas Filipino-American. He was seen in olive drab regalia visiting friends in the Lettuce Bowl last Sunday. Lt. Alcantara is the son of the late Salinas big shot, Alex Alcantara, Sr. He is one of the two best Filipino sports scribblers in the whole United States...It is very shocking and shameful to learn that a great majority of those selectees not accepted by the Army examiners up San Francisco way falls under the category of "illiterates." I question the verity of that thing as I know through personal contacts that nearly all the boys included in the first draft can speak and write English. All I know is that they played dumb and were able to get away with it. Unless the examiners would get wise to the smartness many potential good soldiers would be sidelined as spectators for the rest of the duration.

Vallejo is the present hideout of many community presidents where they conduct their "government" through remote control. Luis Sison of Salinas, Victor Bacho of Sacramento and Vicinities, and many others are presently handling the affairs of their respective communities there. Our Pacific Coast Agency should step forward and put a "stop sign" on this high-g geared practice...The best time to join the First Filipino Battalion is NOW. Those who have college educations or those who have had military training have all the chances in the world to become a wearer of shining bars. Presently there are only seven Filipino commissioned officers, and if plans materialize, no less than one thousand officers will be needed. There is a movement afoot to make the battalion into a division which will be manned by more than one thousand officers. There is your chance! Who knows if the next time I see you you will be wearing a khaki with bars! Let us join if we don't have yellow feathers in our hats!

This is not official but rumor is spreading fast that our "Lone Rose" of Roseville had eloped to Reno. Could be! But don't worry for I will make it official in my next item...And Watsonville's Casanova, Serafin Lazo, is no longer on the loose. He is being tied up securely by a girl whose forebears hail from "south of the border"...Salinas community has finally found itself! On May 16 when it staged a benefit dance the enormously large crowd was a conglomeration of people from all walks of life in the valley. Not since it was founded five years ago that the community has had a big crowd and financial success. As secretary I want to give thanks to every man in the valley for his cooperativeness. I praise his spirit

sky-high...The ranks of the Filipino Bachelors in San Francisco and in Salinas are being ransacked by the draft. It won't be long now before no more eligibles would be seen flirting eyes with cute little things. From San Francisco, Joe Yngojo, Saturnino Silva, Fortunato Maron, Frank Pullido, and Sergio Solidarios are now in the service. And from Salinas, Anastacio "Bob" Umigna, Frank Clarin, Frank Fronda, D. Fernandez are doing some basic training at San Luis Obispo. Of course, Raymond Menes, the handsome heart-wrecker, feminine eyes-twister is the most missed. They are all there for a good cause, and they all look good, manly and determined in khakis.

They said that Salinas Community flag was at half-mast the other week-end because ex-president Eugenia Sales left the place she once ruled for destination unknown. Which reminds me too that the well-known Sales Camp on Los Angeles hiway had changed hands. It is now known has Pecto Bandalan Camp...It is a bet that this forthcoming Pacofico conference down L. A. Way commencing the 25th of June will have either Quezon or Osmena as the Guest of Honor. Wouldn't that be thrilling if you happened to be one of the delegates and then shook hands with him? That would be a big moment in your life time. So why not endeavor to work hard for your election...If you want to see REAL VAUDEVILLE SHOW to be performed by actresses and stars from Hollywood better make a date with Salinas Community on the 21st of June. It's going to be a honey, so better horde your one dollar and ten cents for that purpose. The Armory hall is the tentative meeting place...Automatically, we Filipinos in the United States and in Hawaii are the people that are to be governed by the provisional government set by President Quezon in Washington, D. C. We are the only Filipinos left free and unconquered, and therefore under the jurisdiction of Quezon's provisional government...Filipino organized communities in the United States and therefore become automatically the citizens and or provinces through whom every Filipino is governed. If such be the case these communities should therefore be recognized through executive order or proclamation by the President as the government of all Filipinos. In that what way the weight and pressure of the importance of the communities would be felt and respected by every Filipino.

Don't you know that Salinas, once the spot where the highest farm wage was paid, is now getting one of the lowest hourly wages? That accounts for the great exodus of laborers to other great places...The Filipino Battalion in San Luis Obispo needs many things for its recreation hall. Have you got anything in mind to offer? If you have please see the Salinas Community secretary in his office at 21 West Market St. He will be more than glad to send your contribution to Capt. Abdon Llorente...Dance here, dance there and dance every where seem to be the order of the day. Take a gander at your social calendar and you wil agree with me. It is a nice way to awhile the time while the boys are waiting for their call... A. Lady once told me that the sailor's uniform looks more romantic than that of the

soldier. That's plain silly! Not with the case of Pinoys where the only ranks they can attain are mess attendants, cooks and stewards. The army is the best place for an ambitious boy, for promotion is always lurking on the bush.

Lagpacan did it again! Have you read his latest edition? In glaring headlines taller than his size he picked the Gilroy incident. This pocket-size, self-styled journalist should be picked up by a gargantuan Pinoy and stick him into his pocket for good. He is making a mountain out of a mole hill...Seven months ago Soledad street of Salinas, El Dorado street of Stockton, and Kearny st. Of Frisco were the most thickly populated sections in the country. Seven months after they are the most deserted streets. Loafers, bums, panhandlers, pickpockets, racketeers, gamblers, pim and the like no longer adorn these places. I guess the Army has finally caught up with them. And that's where they belong...Glamour girl Pacing Todtod was the most disappointed girl on her birthday when the orchestra put the break on her and didn't show up. Otherwise the crowd would have had a swell time jigging and rhumbaing. And where were the big shots that night? I look and look around until my neck was twisted and there was very few of them. May be they got "mixed up" with the date...You should be thankful because your Philippines Mail still comes out on schedule. Unlike the rest the Mail has been trying mighty hard to fight the crisis...And have you read Vernarando Ganzales Filipino Echoe? Well, someone is trying to copy the title of this column...Hey, you gals better work fast and ask your sweetie-pie to slip the wedding ring on your finger before Uncle Sam gets him.

I like the friendly relationship and attitude of CLEMENTE MORALES, Johnny Cacas, Marcelo Galicia and Frank Maratas. When these gentlemen-contractors get together they form a happy and highly spirited group that discusses everything under the sun. No wonder they are very popular and well respected by the boys, especially the younger set. They are really good mixers -- and that's what makes them everlastingly young...Seattle ex-president Mike Padua, the big fellow with the big, thundering voice that scared many a delegate during the 2nd Inter-Community conference in Salinas, is now absorbing the soldier's routine in a Texas camp...The Filipino fourth estate (the press) is well represented at the First Filipino Battalion. Ernie Illustre, Ygnacio Sarmiento, Frank Osalvo and Sergio Solidarios are now wearing army uniforms...It won't be long now before Max Collado, Salinas ex-prex, would join the contingent. He has his torso and blood tested the other night and they looked okay... I. Think Martha Ygnacio is one of the best dancers among our younger prides. Her dancing of the waltz is a whiz, her performance of the jitterbug is a riot and her wiggling and hip-hipping of the rhumba is a honey. She's one of those girls I'd like to have around during social dances...The Communities of Watsonville and Monterey Peninsula have donated more money to the American Red Cross than any other organization in those cities. Very nice and flattering compliments.

Congratulations!...Once again our Pacing proved that she's really tops in vocal sound. In a recent contest in San Jose she came out best with valuable prize. Now she's capitalizing on that talent by rendering songs in a well known theater there.

Friction is beginning to appear between the prexy and the vice-prexy of the Monterey community. This is caused by the proposed Battalion dance. It appears that the vice-prexy is being urged to handle the affair again and his modest refusal caused all the flare-ups. After all there is always a limit to human exertion. As everybody knows the vice-prexy has been chairmaning most of their activities, and to see him refuse is not an indication that he is tobogganing to non-cooperation. He just needs a rest...In the army equality prevails and prejudice is unknown. Take the case of Johnny Africa, one of the newest inductees. At the Presidio he had the thrill and excitement of his young army life when he was served during one of his meals by the internationally famous actor, Gilbert Roland, husband of internationally known cinema actress Conni Bennett. In civilian life such occurrence would have been very sensational society news. But that's army life -- you are all brothers clad in khaki uniform and trained to fight for the same cause -- the saving of democracy!

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### **Growers Grant Increase In Wages**

Series Of Conferences Held Between Labor Committees Of Growers, Contractors  
Current 55c-60c Per Hour Basic Wages In Salinas-Watsonville Area Changed 5c  
More; Option to Contract Piece Work Discouraged

Effective tomorrow (Oct. 1) an increase of five cents on all basic wages of Filipino laborers in the Salinas-Watsonville area will be given. This increase was given by the members of the Grower-Shipper Association of Central California after a series of conferences with the members of the Filipino Labor Supply Association, Inc, which made the formal request in representation of Filipino laborers in this area.

The previous circular issued by the growers giving the 55c-60c basic wages per hour will be changed to 60c-65c per hour.

This increase was given after the committee from the growers have heard the arguments of the labor committee from the Labor Supply last Sept. 28. The hearing, as in previous hearings, was held at night at the offices of the shippers and growers at the Salinas National Bank Building.

After many hearings were heard and no definite agreement was in view, the Labor Supply called a general meeting last Sept. 27. The items discussed that night could be readily seen in a letter delivered the following day to Austin E. Anson, secretary manager of the growers and shippers, by M. B. Masilongan, office manager of the Filipino Labor Supply.

The letter reads in part:

"Our Association met last night and it was attended by most of the members. According to reports given by them, the basic wages per hour in the following agricultural areas are as follows:

Stockton, \$.75; Fresno, \$.75; Delano \$.75; San Jose, \$.75, and Watsonville, \$.60 up.

"It was pointed out that Salinas Valley had always paid the highest wages to its field laborers in the past and it is discouraging to the labor situation here that now the basic wages are the lowest. Many Filipino field laborers are wondering why other agricultural areas are paying higher than Salinas Valley, but we kept on telling them that an increase will soon be given.

"With reference to the option given by your members (Grower-Shipper Assn.) in the last meeting we attended, the members of the Filipino Labor Supply Association, Inc. Are willing to try it, provided, however, that a reasonable increase of the existing basic wages be increased as basis."

The growers explained that the high wages in other agricultural areas are spontaneous and temporary, unlike in Salinas Valley where when an increase is given it remains as basic wages for a definite period.

J. B. Sampayan, chairman of the labor committee of the Filipino group, and M. R. Galicia, president of the Labor Supply, took turns to discourage the option given that field labor be agreed upon on a piece work basis. The piece work basis was suggested by the growers in order that those who could work faster than others will be paid more, be it in harvesting crops or in thinning or hoeing the lettuce fields. Both spokesman said that it is not practicable to contract labor on piece work basis on the existing basic wages because there is no uniform system in cutting lettuce.

This option is being studied for the present and if the increased basic wages be taken as the basis in piece work, the suggestion may be tried next spring. It was reasoned that no Filipino would try the option if his guarantee will only be the rate of 55c-60c per hour in the event his piece work will yield lower than the scale.

Besides Messrs. Galicia and Sampayan, Messrs. Johnny Cacas, C. C. MORALES, M. B. Masilingan, P. B. Sun, B. R. Losada, D. C. AMnuel(sp), F. S. Maratas, Pablo Cabanting and M. Balancad attended the hearings.

The growers were represented by Messrs. Austin E. Anson, who acted as the presiding chairman, Conrad Storm, Dick Sbrana, T. R. Merrill, Steve Rianda, M. R. Beamer, G. Mixon, Mr. Merrill also acted chairman in the absence of Mr. Anson one night when he was called to San Jose.

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**Society Notes (23jun42)**

By VIC C. CALDERON

The dance held at the Girls' Scout house in Carmel by Filipino Community of Monterey Peninsula in honor of the First Filipino Battalion at San Luis Obispo was a success. This was the report of the general chairman of the affair. Many friends of the members of the community coming from all sectors of the state were present.

President Gregorio Aquino, Jr, and dance chairman Antero Canonizado were elated over the enthusiastic response of the public.

The announced main feature of the evening -- that of selecting the "Sweetheart of the First Filipino Battalion" -- was postponed for another date through the suggestion of Captain Abdon Llorente, Assistant Executive Officer of the Battalion. Captain Llorente wrote President Aquino that the plan to select the "Battalion Sweetheart" is not yet ripe at this time; hence the postponement(SIC).

Lt. Monico B. Luis and Lt. D. F. Cruz of the 3rd Filipino Battalion, California State Militia, were the guests of Danny Concepcion for luncheon at the famous La Playa Hotel of Carmel-by-the-sea.

The visiting local officers enjoyed the delicious food prepared by Danny, Felizardo Concepcion and Gilbert Magsayo, employed by the well known resort hotel of California. Danny Concepcion is one of the few Filipinos in Carmel who works hard to promote the progress and welfare of all Filipinos in Monterey County. Mr. Concepcion is also a member of the newly organized Filipino Battalion, C. S. M. In this city.

Our correspondent from Vallejo Mr. Emil K. Bautista reported that Miss Nora Argonza, talented daughter of Mr. And Mrs. Sergio Argonza, observed her 17th birthday anniversary in conjunction with her graduation from high school, on June 13, at San Pablo hall. Miss Argonza plans to enter the St. Joseph Hospital Nursing school to pursue her course in Nursing. The popular Vallejo miss was the Queen of the Filipino Community of Solano County in 1940 and 1941.

Miss Rosa del Rosario, top ranking actress in the Philippines was the surprise of the day at the Victory house, at Pershing Square during the MacArthur's day in Los Angeles. Actress del Rosario autographed all defense bonds bought during the Filipino program which lasted for six hours.

A rally dance for Miss Pauline Yana, candidate for "SWEETHEART" of the Philippines Mail Popularity Contest will be held next month, July 11, at the Veteran's Memorial hall, Watsonville. This dance will be sponsored by the Pauline club of Watsonville.

Miss Gertrude Baguio, winner of "Miss Bataan 1942" in the first tabulation of The Mail's contest, will hold a similar dance at the Forester's hall, Salinas, July 19 to be sponsored by The Nova Ecijanos with the cooperation of the Gertrude Club.

The Phyllis club will like wise hold a dance for Miss Phyllis Campagna, songbird of Garden City, July 25, at the Veteran's Memorial hall, Watsonville.

Miss Campagna won the title of "SWEETHEART" last Saturday in the Mail's first count.

The fourth candidate to hold a rally dance is Miss Annie Putane, pride of the Legionarios in this part and winner of the "MUSE 1942" of Bataan Club. The dance will be held at the Forester's hall, Salinas, under the auspices of the Tarlakenians, with the full cooperation of the Filipino Press Club of California and the Bataan Club.

The Filipino Social Circle under the leadership of Johnny Ner, C. C. MORALES and Sammy Rombawa will hold its second annual dance at the Woman's Civic Club, Friday evening, July 17. Many girls from all over the state have given their word to attend. All candidates of the Philippines Mail Popularity contest are also expected to cooperate with the Circle.

The Worshipful Corrigidor Lodge of the Legionarios del Trabajo, Inc. Will sponsor a benefit dance Sunday evening, July 12, at the Forester's hall, Salinas. The committee on invitation composes of Miss Frances Gutierrez, chairman; Miss Laling Valderama, Mr. S. A. Recta, Mr. G. Magsayo, members. Dan Concepcion of Carmel was appointed honorary chairman of the invitation committee.

Lest you forget -- the Victory picnic sponsored by the Malvar Lodge, No. 6, CDA, Inc. Whole day on Saturday, July 4, at the Swiss-American club, few miles southwest of San Jose. To go there, take the Almaden road then thru to Canoas Road and watch the arrow sign. Dancing, and athletic tournaments will be held as the previous years. As usual there will be again this year the National Filipino Pass-time. Be sure to bring your C.....ks. Mr. Antonio Vertrudes, who chairmaned(SIC) the picnic last year will again head the picnic this year. Congratulations, Tony.

The final linE-up of the delegation that will represent the Filipino Community of Monterey Pinensula(SIC) to the Fourth Inter-Community Conference is as follows: President George Aquino, chairman, Vice-Pres. Don Concepcion, Acting Treasurer Albert Potencion, Mrs. Carida Gonzales and Antero Canonizado, members. Alternate delegates are Aquilino Comacho and Joe Gonzales.

Chairman Aquino and member Concepcioa re(SIC) the only hod-over from the delegates of the community to the Third Inter-Community Conference in Oakland last year.

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An unprecedented large crowd attended the birthday party of Mrs. Fanny Barnachia held at the Pacific Grove Lighthouse beach on Sunday, July 14. Friends of Mrs. Barnachia from far and near clad in their beach flipperies drove to the famous spot to wish her many, more happy returns.

Main attractions of the beach fun were the Filipino dishes served and the volleyball game played between the pretty lassies and the handsome romances. Soft drink was also profusely served.

Among the many guests of the hostess were Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Cacas, Mr. and Mrs. CLEMENTE MORALES, Mr. and Mrs. Felipe Sun, Mr. and Mrs. S. Bartolome Losada, Mr. and Mrs. Marcelo Galicia, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Ben, all of Salinas, Mr. and Mrs. Celestino Alfarfara, Mr. and Mrs. Basconcillo, Mrs. Rosie Alves of San Francisco, the Misses Gloria Abarquez, Lucille and Rufina Avilla, Lucille, Rosalinda, and Ramonita Losada, Messrs. Delfin Cruz of the Mail, George Aquino of the Star Press, Vic Calderon, Abe Aquino, Alex Fabros, Sultan Lozares, Dr. S. B. Ledesma and many, many others.

Macario G. Collado, was the recipient of many send-off, luncheon, despedida, testimonial and the like parties before he took the U. S. S. General Gordon for the Philippines. Among these were the Philippine Trading Co. Luncheon held at the Oliva's Cafe on July 8, the joint Pacita Todtod-Delfin Cruz despedida party held at Miss Tod Tod's home in San Jose on July 7th and the Philippine Mail's Staff night club party held at the swank Skyroom.

As the testimony of their great admiration for the man who helped guide the destiny and success of the Philippine Trading Company members of the firm held a luncheon party at the Oliva's Cafe on Soledad Street, Salinas. Practically all the prominent members of the Salinas Filipino community were in attendance to hear the colorful leader speak to the group he has faithfully served during the trying days of reorganization in 1939 and 1940. Manuel Luz, president of the Filipino community and master of ceremonies of the surprise occasion, introduced the home-bound leader. Collado also pictured the golden opportunities in the Philippines anxiously awaiting the continental Filipinos.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Cacas, Mr. and Mrs. Felipe Ben, Mr. and Mrs. Leon de Asis, Misses Gloria Abarquez, Gertrude Bagiuo, Patricia Parrot, Dolores Catillia, Rosie and Virginia Garcia, Nene de Asis, Messrs Delfin Cruz, Victor Calderon, Rudy Robles, Al Hernandez, Dr. Serapion Ledesma, etc.

The Philippine Mail's Staff which composes of publisher Delfin F. Cruz, editor-in-chief Pacita Todtod and columnist feature writer Alex L. Fabros, drove the well known social, economic and community leader to San Francisco on July 9th for his last looksee of a big-town night club doings. With the famous Skyroom as the scene of his last nocturnal rendezvous, Collado immensely enjoyed the warm and sincere send-off party held in his honor by the three "fourth estaters"

who stuck with him through thick and thin during the past eight years. Besides the dancing to the rhythm of the club's versatile orchestra.

Mr. Macario G. Collado boarded the U. S. S. General Gordon at San Francisco last July 10 for the Philippines. Just recently discharged from the army he is returning to his motherland after an absence of almost twenty years. As vice-president and general manager of the all-GI's National Stores Corporation he is expected to devote his time to the establishing and improving of branch stores of the firm throughout the Philippines. Collado leaves one of the most outstanding records ever achieved by any Filipino in the United States. Active in the social, economic, religious, and political welfare of Filipinos in the Salinas valley as well as in the Pacific Coast he was very instrumental in the recognition of the rights of his countrymen by the other nationalities.

Collado hails from Ballesteros, Cagayan. A former student at the Oklahoma Agriculture and Mines University, he is single but expects to settle sometime in the Philippines.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 28 March 1942, Page 2

### **Bachelors' Dance Nets 70 Dollars**

The Bachelors' Club dance held last Friday night at the Foresters' hall was a financial success according to reports of the committee in charge. Girls from San Francisco, San Jose, Watsonville, Pacific Grove, Stockton, Salinas and other vicinities were in attendance.

The round estimate of the net receipts of the evening's affair was \$70. This sum will be donated to the War Relief Fund by the Club.

Those attending were the Misses Grace and June Fernandez of San Francisco; Pacita Toditod, Sally Codera, Connie Amado and Margi Copeland of San Jose; Lourdes and Remedios Solidor of Stockton; Pauline and Narcisa Yana of Watsonville; Jess Javier of Salinas, Fay Engles of Gonzales and many others.

The Messrs. Dr. Serapion Ledesma, M. R. Galicia and CLEMENTE MORALES, president and treasurer of the Labor Supply Association respectively, Johnny Nery, Eddie Castro, Benny Ragsac, Sammy Baggao and Joe Canaya and party.

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### **Society Notes (29nov43)**

Edited By Jessie Javier

One of the prominent visitors of the Salinas Filipino community this week, is C. L. Camarillo, the exceedingly handsome dispatcher of UCAPAWA Local 7, a big and powerful union that has 7,000 members in Washington, D. C. Camarillo conferred with several Filipino dinitaries, such as Vice-President Osmena, Dr.

Rotor, Attorney Erasmo Cruz, Colonel Nieto, Colonel Romulo, Professor Arnaldo, Attorney Ugarte, and Attorney M. Abella regarding the re-entrance of his cousin Fidel Lopez, who went to Mexico several years ago.

For over a year C. L. Camarillo has been leaving no stone unturned for the re-entry into this country of his cousin, Fidel Lopez, but the State Department has turned down the request. The Filipino officials in Washington, D. C. With whom Camarillo conferred are going to back up his request for a re-hearing of Lopez's case.

The good looking leader was impressed by the courtesy accorded to him by Philippine government officials, especially attorney Erasmo Cruz.

Some labor leaders use the plane in their travels. C. L. Camarillo, traveled as a rank- and- file-across the country and back in a bus! His friends are amazed at his endurance. The dispatcher has a good physical stamina, for as a student in high school he was a baseball player, and while a freshman in Santa Monica College he had a year's training in boxing. His friends are glad he did not become a professional boxer. His good looks might have been marked with cauliflower ears, black eyes, and swollen lips.

Dispatcher Camarillo is overjoyed to hear that his Union has completed negotiations for the purchase of its present headquarters, a three story building, which cost \$18,000.00. The building shall be named UCAPAWA No. 7 Labor Temple.

He was accompanied by his beautiful wife. They were entertained by D. F. Cruz, editor and publisher of this paper while their brief stay in Salinas.

The traditional custom of Mr. and Mrs. Celedonio Lopez to gather all his family during Thanksgiving day was not forgotten this year as the years previously when they held family reunion at their home in San Juan Bautista last Thanksgiving Day. Besides the members of their big family several of their friends joined also the traditional family get-to-gether. Composing the Lopez Family are Mr. and Mrs. Fernandez, Mr. and Mrs. Baliola, Mr. and Mrs. Arellano, Mr. and Mrs. Ponce and Mr. and Mrs. Obedoza, all living in Salinas, except the three unmarried ones who are still under the care of Mr. and Mrs. Lopez. When the proud parents made the roll call, one member was not accounted for their son and his family Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Lopez who went back to Denver, Colorado. Mr. and Mrs. Tony Lopez and his family, Frank Valenton, Sgt. Larry Lagpagan and Daddy Cruz were the guests.

Honoring the dual baptismal for their two daughters, a dinner was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Roberonta, devoted Watsonville couple. Their two lovely daughters Lolita Inez, and Arloa Catherine were baptized at the same time in a local catholic church. Last night a dance was held in their honor at the Reseta hotel ball room which was attended by hundreds. Among them were: Mr. and Mrs. Larry Arreg, Mr. and Mrs. Valentin Liwanag, Mr. and Mrs.

E. Ramirez, Mr and Mrs. Bill Colas, Mr, and Mrs. Lazo, Lieut. And Mrs. Ricardo Arca, Mrs. Connie Antonio, S/Sgts. Vic Calderon and Bob Uminga, Sgt. Angel Liwang, Miss Fay Tomlimson, Miss Pauline Yana, bachelor Benny Tabangeay and several others.

Sponsors for baby Lolita Ines Roberonta are M. Jesus T. Tabasa, Watsonville businessman and Mrs. Connie Ramierez, charming wife of Mr. E. Ramierez, wealthy Watsonville labor contractor.

Sponsors for baby Arloa Catherine Roberonta are Mrs. Fabian Ventura, Mrs. Dorothy Reyes, Mr Sammy Gaboan, Mr. Alex Cruz, Mr. Freddie Palakpak, Mr. Max Solay, Mr Narciso Riveves and Mr. Frank Riglos.

Steve and his String Orchestra furnished the melodious music.

Featuring Filipino delicacies, a dance and musical program, a triple celebration was held for Miss Rebecca Paculba, 18, Miss Alberta Paculba, 16, and Little Raymond Paculba, 10, on November 21 at the Salinas Women's Club auditorium.

Attended by a number of friends here and from far distant cities, the festivities began in the morning at a camp off Monterey highway. It was there that the guests were served delicious native dishes.

The celebration continued at night at the Salinas Women's Club where there was a dance and a musical program. The Paculba sisters, well-known vocalists, sang a number of jive and sentimental songs.

Climax of the night's entertainment was the presentation of a 3-deck birthday cake. The first deck had 18 candles, the second 16, and the third, 10, representing the ages of Rebecca, Alberta, and Raymond, respectively. Led by Miss Gertrude Baguio, the audience sang the usual happy birthday song with a great deal of delight.

Among those present were: The Garcia sisters, Rose and Virginia, Misses Jane Jacob, Rosita Aguinid, Mary Bautista, Lucille Avilla, Alice Alito, and a number of soldiers from the Fourth Army and Camp Cooke and Camp Beale.

Some members of the Second Filipino Infantry band furnished the dance music.

At the camp of Francisco C. Sana, foreman of De Serpa Brothers at Graves district was also the scene of Thanksgiving dinner. He invited to join him thanking the Almighty for staying in that camp for 18 solid years. His guest were Mr. And Mrs. Anselmo M. Garcia, Mr. Esteban Lucas, Mrs., Mary Carlon of Michigan, Mr. Francisco S. Cruz, Mr. And Mrs. Jimmy Cruz, and Sergeant L. A. Lagpacan of the 4th Army Corps, Andres de la Cruz. World's War I veteran was the chef. After dinner the guest from Michigan said: "It's swell turkey."

A whirlwind and thrilling romance culminated the marriage of Mr. Ponciano B. Soto, popular labor boss for Spreckel's Company at Graves district and the former Miss Ester Garcia, attractive lass of San Antonio, Texas. The

couple were married in Reno, Nevada, Nov. 9th, and returned the following day to San Francisco where they spent a brief honeymoon,

Upon their return to Salinas last week, Mr. And Mrs. Soto were tendered a dinner party by the Rizal Lodge No. 3 CDA, Inc. Of which Mr. Soto is an active member. The party was held at the popular swanky Chop Suey house in town last Wednesday. Under the able chairmanship of Mr. Felipe M. Arellano, secretary of the lodge, the party was pronounced successful. Mr. Felipe B. Sun, Ex-master of the lodge and prominent labor contractor here spoke briefly. An after-dinner speaker Mr. Sun made the audience stand to their feet with laughter due to his humorous stories.

Other speakers ere Mr. J. B. Sampayan, popular civic leader Mr. B. R. Losada, ranking member of the Dimas-Alang fraternity and Johnny F. Cacas, present Master of the local lodge: Emiliano Maratas, newly initiated member of Rizal lodge gave a vocal selection dedicated to the newly married couple intitled "Hay Que Saber Perder," a popular Mexican song, Mrs. Virginia Villamor Lopez and Miss helen Filomeno also entertained the audience by giving vocal selections. The pretty and charming bride expressed her thanks to the Dimas-Alang members and also rendered a song.

Among those present includes the following: Miss Cicilia Perez, beautiful newcomer of Salinas; Miss Helen Filmeno, Miss Nini Garcia, Mr. C. G. Epistola, Lieuts. Lieudine and Malan of the Fourth Army, Mr and Mrs. J. Cacas, Mr. And Mrs. Puyod, Mrs. M. R. Garcia, Mr and Mrs. J. B. Sampayan,, A. P. Filomeno, Mr and Mrs. B. R. Losada, Mr and Mrs. F. Maratas, Mr. And MRS. C. C. MORALES, Mr. And Mrs. C. B. Sales, Mr and Mrs. F. B. Sun, Mr. And Mrs. Celso Garcia, parents of the bride, and several others.

SAN FRANCISCO- The population of the Filipino Community of San Francisco has increased to one after the birth of a baby son to Mrs. Virginia Villanueva, attractive wife of Mr. Michael Villanueva, formerly of Fresno, Calif. The stork came on November 23rd in a local hospital. According to reports from hospital attendants, mother and baby are doing well. Mrs. Villanueva expects to return home within the next few days. They reside at 576 Hemlock St. The baby was named Reynold Michael by his parents, just a few hours after birth.

Featuring a banquet and dance and musical program, the christening party of baby Theodore Larry Arreg, first son of Mr. And Mrs. Larry Arreg of Watsonville was held at the famous Hotel Resetar banquet room, October 30. Friends and relatives of the popular couple from far and near were among the many who packed the banquet room to capacity. After the dinner, a short program was held and dance followed until 12:00 midnight.

Godmothers of the child are: Mrs. Evyline farrales of Portland, Oregon; Mrs. Bee Mateos of Sacramento; Mrs. Tony Diga of Watsonville; and Mrs. Lill Martinez of Los Angeles. Godfathers: Sgt. Angel Liwang of Camp Beale; Mr. Sid

Farrales of Portland; Mr. Jack Diga of Watsonville and Mr. Johnny Martinez of Los Angeles. Sgt. Liwang was represented by his brother Valentin because of his inability to attend due to military duty.

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### **Society Notes (29mar43)**

Edited By Jessie Javier

Star Press Entertains Florence Mosconi

Mrs. Elizabeth Aquino Portilla, editor of the Philippines Star Press, and her father, B. G. Aquino, gave a luncheon in honor of Florence Ybarreta Mosconi, at their home, 309 N. Alvarado St.

It was attended by Henry Aquino of the U. S. Coastguard, Amado E. Dino, dean of Filipino newspapermen in Southern California, Alfredo Oppus, famous Filipino showman, and T. J. Rojo, Filipino dramatist, in whose play, "Three at a Tim," Florence acted as heroine when it was presented in San Francisco YWCA.

The party was small, but there were enough talents to give a delightful program. Publisher Aquino gave a toast saying, "To Florence and to memories!" Florence cracked back, "What! Am I dead?" To which T. A. Rojo added, "And to the future!" Then he philosophized and said, "We need sweet memories and dreams to lift us up from the monotony of every day routine. We need memories of the past as basis for the future. We need ideas as our cushion against the rough edges of realities."

The dynamic Oppus related that in his many travels all over the United States and the Philippines he saw men idolizing Florence's picture. In Mindanao he saw a Mohammedan athlete to the World's Olympic Games in Los Angeles keeping an enlarged picture of her on the wall of his vinta. The Seattle dramatist stated that he heard that Florence's picture reached Africa and some sank near Japan with the Philippine steamer "President Quezon," formerly "President Madison." Smiling, the guest of honor said: "That does not make me very happy. It shall be avenged."

The party was frequently dominated by a battle wits and humor in which Amado E. Dino placed a stellar role. Al Oppus, whom Florence calls "Uncle" related a very humorous story which happened when he was in Capiz, birthplace of her father, the late Tomas Ybarreta. A group of men looking at her picture clipped from the E. Manila Graphic, was told by him, "That is my niece!" A man exclaimed, "how come? I'm one her real uncles; I'm an Ybarreta and I don't know you."

Showman Oppus ran for governor of his province, Bohol, in 1936. He lost by only 1,000 votes. He is a brother of the well-known Assemblyman Oppus. At present, Al Oppus is a solicitor for USO donations with certificate of

authorization signed by Manuel Adeva of the Philippine Resident Commissioner's Office.

The gift of the party to the talented and vivacious guest of honor was a package of delicious Valerie Jean dates from the Imperial Valley desert. Wittily, with her twinkling eyes she remarked: "It is very proper, you give me dates, for as a married woman I have no more dates."

Florence is married to Lt. Mosconi, an aviator who ferries materials to England. Complimenting Florence's husband, dramatist Rojo remarked, "It is quite a record. May he be a captain soon." The party wished Lt. And Mrs. Mosconi continued success and happiness.

The residence of Mr. And Mrs.. Albert Lopez, will known couple of 1148 Victoria street, Hollister was the scene of a farewell party in honor of the departure of their good friend Mr. Steve Noble, last Thursday evening. Mr. Noble, and accomplished steel guitarist, departed for Berkeley last Friday where he intends to reside for some time. The party was sponsord (SIC) by Mr. And Mrs. Albert Lopez.

The guests were served with choice drinks and eats. Dancing was indulged until the wee hour of the night. There was also a short program held in the intermission. One of the highlights of the program was the hula dance performed by Miss Louise Lopez. Vocal duets were also given by Misses Rosanna and Helen Lopez.

Those present included Mr. And Mrs. Larry Ponce, Mr. And Mrs. Max Fernandez, Mr. And Mrs. Albert Balliola, Mr. And Mrs. Arellano, Mr. And Mrs. Obedoza, Mr. And Mrs. Tony Lopez, Miss Alice Lopez, Miss Helen Lopez, Miss Rosanna Lopez, Mr. Frank Valenton, Miss Louise Lopez, and many others names too numerous to mention.

Mr. Noble expressed his thanks to the guests a few minutes before the party ended.

The combined benefit dance of the four lodges of the Legionarios del Trabajo in America, Inc, will be held this coming Saturday, April 3, 1943, at the Forester's hall, Salinas. This dance was originally scheduled for March 27, at Armory hall but due to some unavoidable circumstances, Mr. S. A. Rects, general chairman of this dance had to move the date one week later. It is expected that this forthcoming affair will be one of the biggest activities of the organization this season.

After obtaining his commission as 2nd lieutenant at Fort Benning, Georgia, Jose T. Mendoza, well known Salinas bachelor before catering the Army, was a visitor here last week. Lt. Mendoza is one of the few Salinans who became commissioned officers. He was one of the first in the group of Filipino inductees here last April. He hails from Liloan, Cebu, Philippines and a graduate of Cebu high school.

Lt. Mendoza reported for duty last week in the 2nd Filipino Infantry stationed at Camp Cooke, Calif. Lt. Mendoza received many congratulations from his friends in Salinas.

Miss Virginia Villamor, popular and attractive socialite in Salinas Valley, became Mrs. Magno Lopez after a whirlwind romance of few months. They were married at the Filipino Presbyterian church on March 14, 1943. The marriage ceremony was performed by a Salinas minister before a capacity crowd.

Bridesmaid were yours truly and Miss Frances Gutierrez and the matron and maid of honor were Mr. C. C. MORALES and Mrs. della Cacas respectively.

On the evening of March 14, a reception dance was held in honor of the couple sponsored by the Rizal Lodge no. 3 CDA, Inc. At the Armory hall, of which the groom is a member. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Ruby Maratas by former marriage. She was a student of the Salinas Union school before her marriage.

Among the personalities who attended the reception were: Mr. And Mrs. Felipe B. Sun, Mr. And Mrs. M. R. Galicia, Mrs. Santiago S. Geray and daughter, Mr. And Mrs. A. H. Caletisen, Mr. And Mrs. Tony Lopez and daughters, Mr. And Mrs.. Juan F. Cacas, Mr. And Mrs. J.Pagacian, Mr. And Mrs. B. R. Losada, Mr. And Mrs. F. O. Malbas, Mr. Felipe Arellano and Mr. C. B. Sales.

Others present were Mrs. Darlene Rieta, Mr. P. D. Bandalan, Miss Crockett, the famous del Rosario sisters and their friend Alice and several others.

Miss Crockett and Beckie Paculba entertained the guests with vocal selections, Mr. F. M. Arellano was the chairman of the evening.

Cpl. Victor C. Calderon, former society editor of this paper, was one of many enlisted men who was successful in finishing the course of Surgical Technician from the Fitzsimmons General Hospital at Denver, Colo, after three months of extensive study.

Others who were with Copl. Calderon are: Cpls. Angel O. Fregillana, Roberto C. Ocampo, Vicente R. Ostria, Lazaro V. Tatco and Atansio F. Villoria.

Those who graduated as Medical Technicians are: Cpls. Vicente C. Calibo, Juan M. Mejia and Marcelo D. Padua.

They are all now back at the 2nd Filipino infantry, Camp Cooke, California, waiting for further assignments.

A recent visitor in Seattle was Lieutenant Silvino B. Tallido, who spent several days in the city after receiving his commission as Second Lieutenant from the Officers' Training School at Fort Benning Georgia.

He attended the University of Washington for several years, receiving his B. A. Degree in Spanish and his M/A. Degree in Education. He was working for a doctorate degree in Education at the time duty called him to the colors.

While in Seattle, he was given ovation not only by the several institutions to which he is actively affiliated, such as the University of Washington Filipino

Adumni (SIC) Association, Tyre Lodge No. 48, A. F. And A. V. Local No. 7 but also by several of his immediate friends.

Friends and relatives of Mrs., Rosita Tbasas are glad to hear that she is rapidly recovering at their home after a week's confinement at the Watsonville hospital. Mrs. Tabasa is the number one citizen of the Filipino Community of Watsonville. She is the President of the International Women's Club besides the head of the Filipino Community after President J. E. Soria was inducted into the armed forces of the United States. Mrs. Tabs, then was vice president. The staff of The Mail joins the chorus in wishing the first lady a complete recovery.

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### **Society Notes (23feb43)**

By Jesse Javier

Watsonville- When Mr. Larry Arreg, distinguished Filipino resident here was distributing Optimo cigars to his many friends in the Oriental district, some of them were surprised at the unusual treat. In fact one of them has known Mr. Arreg for the last 15 years and this was the only time he had ever handed him such an expensive cigar. He recalled however, that five years ago he gave him a Havana sweet.

What's cooking? Have you won a lottery (macapio)? one fellow asked Larry, No, no, no, no! He answered. It's a boy, its a boy, and it's a boy! Some of them thought that he was going nuts, but a few minutes after they found out that Mrs. Arreg had delivered a robust baby boy. The blessed events came at Watsonville hospita on Jan. 10th, 1943. When the new member was placed on the scale it read six lbs. 6 ounces.

According to hospital attendants, mother and baby are doing fine. He is named Theodore Larry Arreg.

Pfc. Isidro Raymundo of Camp Cooke, California was united in marriage to Miss Agnes Lara at a church ceremony held at the Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church in Salinas on February 10.

The bride is a native of Colorado of Mexican extraction and the groom is a native of the Philippine Islands. He was formerly associated with the Philippine American Dry Goods Store on Market street in Salinas and operated the P. I. Shaving Parlor. Friends of the young couple are wishing them the best of luck in their new venture.

Honoring its departing member, the Filipino Women's Club of Salinas tendered Mrs. Tomasa Mones a farewell party held recently at the home of Capt. And Mrs. J. M. David Malig on East Market street. Mrs. Mones moved to Marysville in order to be near her husband, Sgt. Venancio Mones of the 1st Filipino Infantry, Camp Beale, Calif. Foods prepared by the Women's Club

members were served aplenty to the guests. The unexpected departure of Mrs. Mones was felt by the club as well as the many friends of the Moneses.

The younger sets of Salinas and surrounding area are missing their good friend, winsome and charming Miss Alice Alito, well known in social circles here since she left for New Orleans recently. When Miss Alito left she made an assurance to score of friends that she would come back soon but her bossom and confidential friend Lucille Avilla said that she will probably live there with her mother at least for the duration.

Before Miss Alito departed she told The Mail;s staff that she'd act in the capacity as correspondent in that territory. Watch her initial column in the next edition. For your information especially to the dashing romeos, Miss Alitos address is 619 1/2 Mandeville street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

San Francisco- Mr. And Mrs. Guillermo "Bil" Mangaoang, popular couple of San Francisco and Fresno, became proud parents of a baby girl, weighing 6 1/2 pounds at birth on Jan. 13, 1943. The youthful father is attached to the U. S. Navy. Mrs. Mangaoang was the former Miss Florence Bernabe of Fresno, claimed as the youngest Filipina evangelist in the United States. She was graduated from the Bethany Bible Institute in San Diego at the age of 17 with honor. The new member of the Mangaoang family is named Flordeliza.

Manuel M. Insigne, Mail's executive editor, was a visitor here last week. While in Salinas, he conferred with the leading labor contractors in the interest of labor. He was lavishly entertained by C. C. MORALES, invited his important guest to the Republic Cafe for a chop suey dinner before returning to Sacramento. Included in the party were Sultan Lozares, Mrs. Bobbie MORALES, Mrs. Darlene Rieta, Johnny and D. F. Cruz.

John A. Royola, former Filipino student at Salinas Union high school, was a visitor here recently in between trips to India to obtain bacteriological specimens for Army laboratories, Royola's home is in Ocala, Fla, where he is associated with a firm for importing wild animals and organizing jungle expeditions.

Macario G. Collado, former president of the Filipino Community of Salinas and now a private in the U. S. Army, on short furlough, was a guest a few days ago of Manuel M. Insigne, executive editor of this paper, at his residence in Sacramento.

Mr. Insigne introduced Private Collado to several important persons in the state capital and made him a dinner guest at the famous El Rancho.

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### **Rizal Lodge Honors Captain J. David-Malig**

The spirit of Dimas-Alang was shown by the members and dignitaries of Rizal Lodge No. 3, CDA, Inc, upon the arrival of their hero brother, Captain J. M. David-Malig to Salinas last week from the Southwest Pacific. Captain Malig flew from somewhere in New Guinea to San Francisco to be at the bedside of his beloved wife, who undertook a major operation in the University of California Hospital. The presence of her husband has contributed more to Mrs. Malig's recovery than her doctor's care. She is now resting comfortably at their home on Abbott St.

Last Saturday was Dimas-Alang day at the Republic Cafe. A get-together dinner was held by Rizal Lodge members to honor and pay respect to their brother, whom they proudly called a "returning hero" from the Southwest Pacific Theatre. About sixty members and their friends were among those who greeted the brave and courageous officer of Uncle Sam -- he is Captain J. M. David-Malig.

Eats, drinks -- that could not be had in the jungles of New Guinea were liberally served with gusto to the guest of honor. He enjoyed looking at his crowd more than the delicious foods passed to him.

After dinner, an impromptu program was held. Partakers were: Mr. Ciriaco Epistola, secretary of the Rizal Lodge; Mr. J. B. Sampayan, Mr. Cosme Brasil who represented the Grand Lodge; Mr. M. R. Galicia, F. S. Maratas, and concluded by Mr. L. Puyod, master of the lodge, after the guest of honor delivered his address; Mr. Felipe B. Sun, acted as master of ceremonies. Full of humor, Mr. Sun's introductory remarks were enjoyed by all.

In the course of his address, Captain Malig told his audience that our Filipino soldiers' morale are high. They are all in one belief -- to join the Victory Parade with General Douglas MacArthur in Manila soon. Captain Malig is attached with the 1st Filipino Infantry now stationed somewhere in New Guinea.

Capt. Malig was a practicing physician in Salinas before joining the Army.

The unexpected presence of Chaplain Ambrosio M. Patacsil and his beautiful wife, Lt. Laureana Patacsil has added color and importance of the dinner. It was a real surprised for both of them. Lt. Patacsil was just beginning to spend a 10-day furlough. She is stationed at Wala Wala, Washington. Chaplain Patacsil flew from Puerto Rico and Panama. He is now waiting for a new assignment. Chaplain and Lt. Patacsil also spoke briefly. Both were surprised to meet each other, a coincidence which Chaplain Patacsil termed. Many believe that it was a coincidence purposely arranged by the Army.

Those present included Mr. And Mrs. J. B. Sampayan, Mr. And Mrs. F. S. Maratas, Mr. And Mrs. F. B. Sun, Mr. And Mrs. L. Puyed, Mr. C. C. MORALES,

Mrs. A. P. Filomeno and his daughter Helen, Cesario Valen, Mr. M. R. Galicia, Mr. And Mrs. J. F. Cacas, Mrs. J. M. Cacas, Mrs. J. M. David-Malig, Mr. And Mrs. Lopez, Mr. Alex L. Barnachia, a MAIL's reporter and several others.

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Romulo Wins West Coast Filipinos  
Col. C. Romulo Tells Valor Of Bataan  
By M. B. Masilongan

Without mincing words, Colonel Carlos P. Romulo, secretary of information and public relations of the commonwealth for the Philippines and "Last Man Off Bataan," addressed his audiences here recently on the hardships and odds the American and Filipino soldiers went through on the last days of Bataan.

At the Santa Lucia Inn where the local chamber of commerce tendered Col. Romulo a luncheon, he pictured to all "the courage and valor" of the American and Filipino soldiers on Bataan "who fought and fell for you!"

Flag Humiliated

"Your flag which was suffered no, was humiliated in the Philippines when on April 8 two years ago she was ignominiously hauled down." Colonel Romulo stressed as if he wanted his listeners to feel the humiliation of defeat.

In all his appearances, he concluded his speeches by reiterating the unwavering faith of the Filipinos toward America, "My(SIC) America," he said, that the Philippines will be redeemed.

In the program sponsored by the Filipino community of the Salinas valley on April 12 at the high school auditorium, Colonel Romulo admonished the Filipinos to keep on working for victory in their chosen line of activities and appealed to the Americans to take them as their own because "these are the brothers, relatives and kinsfolk of the 17 million Filipinos who are now suffering and starving but still fighting the Japs."

Mayor Edson G. Thomas, in his response, pointed out that the Filipinos will forever remain friends for both peoples, he said, have fought and still are fighting for the same freedom.

In his program, Manuel Adeva, assistant to the Philippine resident commissioner to the U. S. And Antonio A. Gonzales, president of the Filipino Inter-community organization also spoke. Miss Pacita Todtod of San Jose sang a Filipino song; Mrs. Jennie Errington, member of the Bataan club, sang "The Lord's Prayer," and Mrs. A. D. Brink, also a member of the Bataan Club, recited "Our Boys on Bataan," written by Mrs. Florence Besteiro.

After the mass meeting, Col. Romulo was given a chop suey party arranged by Mr. F. S. Maratas, vice president of the Community. It was attended

by the leading Filipino members of the colony. Mr. And Mrs. F. Sun, Mr. And Mrs. M. Galicia, Mr. And Mrs. Maratas, Mr. C. MORALES, Suitan Lozares and many others.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, February 25, 1944, Page 6

## **Fresno**

Merry-Go-Round

By Julian Campos

Community elections: Mr. John Salazar, a prominent leader of Reedly, was elected president of the Filipino Community of Reedly for this year. Other elected officers are: Frank Ortega, vice-president; Pete Nerida, secretary; E. B. Balucas, treasurer; Frank Mancao, auditor; Al Dangaran, advisor.

At their inauguration dance and program, held at the American Legion Hall on January 15, the new officers spoke briefly. Cpl. Alex Fabros and 1st Sgt. Oliver Valerio were guest speakers.

Mrs. P. Sterling and her beautiful daughter, Katherine, gave a duet. The program was closed by singing of the American and Philippines national anthems.

For this year, Mr. Richard Q. Campos was re-elected for a second term as president of the Filipino Community of Fresno. The rest of his official family are: Vice-president, Ross Carriga; Secretary, Joe Lopez; Treasurer, Larry Guzman; Asst. Secretary, Frank Patacsil; Asst. Treasurer, Willie Pizarro; Marshall, Teddy Quitariano; Sgts-at-Arms, Geraldo Quodala and Joe Riveria; Auditor, Andy Campos and Advisor, S. R. Quintos.

The new officers took the oath of office on January 29th at the Garibaldi Hall where the inauguration dance was held. All gave speeches. Seaman Benny Asis of the U. S. N. Gave a short but interesting account of his war experiences in the South Pacific.

Lieut. Miguel Bringas of the 2nd Filipino Infantry was the guest speaker.

Social Affairs: Mr. And Mrs. Richard Campos and Mr. S. R. Quintos gave a picnic in honor of Lieut. Bringas on Sunday, January 30th. Due to the continuous shower the picnic ground was moved from Mr. Quintos' farm to the Garibaldi hall. Everybody had lots of fun, dancing and eating.

Among the guests were Mr. And Mrs. Manuel Tamayo, Mr. And Mrs. Ross Carriaga, Mr. And Mrs. D. P. MORALES, Mrs. Andy Campos, Mr. And Mrs. Joe Lopez, Mr. And Mrs. Andy Cabosura, Pvt. And Mrs. Danny Vilorio, Mr. And Mrs. Clemente Cuaresma, Mrs. Sara Moreno and her lovely daughters Priscilla and Josephine, Misses Rose Causing, the Flores sisters, Isabel and Catalina, members of the community and Caoayan club.

Among the army guests were Sgt. Juanito Velasco, Sgt. Pambeg and Sgt. Wilfred Baltazar of the 2nd Filipino Infantry; Sgt. C. M. Cabello, Pvt. Gerry

Quintos, Pvt. Mariano Balneg and Pvt. F. Pizarro of the 1st Filipino Infantry. Cpl. Angelo Balmaceda of the Air Corps and Seaman Benny Asis of the U. S. Navy.

Mrs. Eddie Carmel gave Mrs. Manuel Tamayo a surprise birthday party, in which all their friends enjoyed a delicious chicken dinner. Mrs. Tamayo received many gifts from her many friends.

Mr. Teodoro Palaya, a prominent businessman of Fresno, gave a Seaman Benny Asis a farewell party at the New Shanghai Cafe. After the dinner, the following guests gave short talks: Mr. Frank Mancao, Mr. Richard Campos, Mrs. Manuel Tamayo, Mr. Pete Sensano, Mr. Valentin Quijano, the honor guest, Seaman Benny Asis and your humble reporter. Mrs. Manuel Tamayo was the charming toastmistress.

Among the guests were Mrs. Richard Campos, Mrs. Frank Mancao, and her pretty daughters, Mr. And Mrs. Robert Tacadena, Mr. And Mrs. Bob Hernando, Mrs. Sara Moreno and her popular daughters, Josephine and Priscilla, Miss Isabel Flores, Pvt. Rufo Vaquilar, Pvt. Fred Rofloc, Pedro Viernes, Dionicio Balicao and Irineo Marquez.

Signs of a growing community: Mrs. Danny Viloría is expecting a third child any day now-Mrs. Robert Tacadena is expecting the stork very soon-Mrs. Eddie Carmel is baby-buggy shopping-Mrs. Violet Tela had another baby girl-Mrs. Marion Quinday had the best X-mas gift last year-a seven pound baby girl-Henry Pascual and Jean Phillips had just said "I do"-The beautiful Rosie Skougard, whose popularity in social circles sky-rocketed overnight last December, broke many hearts (me too- as if I had a chance) by marrying that lucky guy of Firebaugh, Mr. Frank Tadeo (I am a poet too, but I didn't know it).

Stars of the evening: The charming Moreno sisters Priscilla and Josephine, who went to Vista last summer and left behind many broken hearts returned to Fresno last month -- no wonder Larry Guzman is smiling again.-Pvt. Rufo Vaquilar and Isabel Flores are still that same sweet way about each other-The charming Marie Michell was escorted to the Fresno inauguration dance by the boy friend, Pete Nerida-Theresa Traxier is planning "alter bound"-The Martinez sisters, Ruby and Angie are getting more popular everyday.

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SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, November 1945, Page 10

### **Social Doing Here And There**

by PPA Society Editor

SAN FRANCISCO (FAP)-Nov. 17, 1945 -The Marine Inspection at Fort Mason honored two of its most distinguished members, Capt. S. J. Merrill and Capt. Manuel L. Fuentes at a despedida dinner in their honor at the Bagulo Cafe on Saturday night, Nov. 17, 1945. Captain Merrill is going to Philippine and Capt. Fuentes will command in overseas craft after his training at New Orleans

Louisiana. Before dinner was served appreciative talks were given by Capt. Fuentes who acted as master of ceremonies, Capt. Merrill, Mrs. Sulit and Mr. Roldan. The Filipino string orchestra of transport MAUI enlivened the occasion which was graced by the presence of the very charming and famous wife of Capt. Fuentes whose nome de plome is Claire Phillips; and by Miss Susana Moreno the cousin of General Manuel Roxas President of the Philippine Senate. Among those present were Mrs. Estela R. Sulit, Mr. Vicente Roland, Mr. Amadeo Rodrigues, Lt. K. E. Gadau, Mr. Arturo Lazarte, Mr. And Mrs. Del San Jose, Mr. Primo C. Bocar, Mr. Mr.

Mariano Pasay, Mr. And Mrs. Allegado and daughter, Mr. And Mrs. Tajjeron, Mr. And Mrs. Joe Vagas, Mr. S. N. Abalos, Mr. And Mrs. F. D. Marte, Miss Elva Brooks, Mr. Julian Gutierrez, Mr. Florencio Mauing, Mr. D. Ibanez, Mr. Leopoldo Gomez Llanos, Mr. Pedro Ruiz, Mr. And Mrs. Pedro S. J. Bernardino, Mr. Vicente Pereira, Mr. Simon Palmon, Mr. Jesus Fernandez, Mr. Roberto Ocaporn, Mr. Conrado Bernardo, Mr. Felix San Jose, Mr. S. Padilla, Mr. And Mrs. Romualdo Kimpo, and several other friends of the Maritime Inspection Division.

The affairs served as a testimonial of good will and appreciation to Capt. Merrill who has been a real friend of the Filipinos both in out of the Marine Inspection Division and also to Capt. Fuentes whose rise in the ladder of success has been a source of pride to his countrymen. Lt. Gadau takes over the duties of Capt. Merrill and his youth and good looks and cheerful disposition are assets to an assured success in his job.

Once more the culinary ability of Mrs. Edeng Kimpo asserted itself when the delicious lumpia and tapa were served to the delight of the guests.

CALISTOGA (FPA)- Nov. 16, 1945-Prominent weekend guests of the wealthy Mr. George Dyer of Calistoga were Miss Ruby Roxas, daughter of the President of Philippine Senate, General Manuel Roxas; and Mr. And Mrs. Marcial Lichauco, all recnet arrivals from Manila, Miss Roxas had a well-deserved rest after a sucession of social affairs honoring her were given and attended by her in San Jose, San Francisco, Stockton, Salinas, and Monterey.

SAN FRANCISCO (FPA)-While awaiting to enplane for Manila with President Osmena, Miss Jenny Araneta and Miss Alice Afable were th ehouse guests of Mr. And Mrs. Jesus Ma. Bayot at their palatial residence in San Francisco. Both Miss Araneta and Miss Afable attended the Rosemont finishing school for girls in the East and are returning to their families after. Bon Voyage to such charming Filipinas!

CHARLOTTEVILLE, Virginia (FPA)- Capt. Antonio Ma. Bayot who has just recently retured from duty in Italy is attending the School of Military Government preparatory to service with the Civil Affairs Government in the Far

East. Accompanying Capt. Bayot is his illustrious wife Mrs. Carmen Lezama Bayot, and their young son Alfonso.

OAKLAND (FPA)-Mr. And Mrs. Gene Saicawalo were hosts to Mrs. Estela R. Sulit Miss Susana Moreno, Mr. Demetrio and Mr. Vicente Roldan. Gene is a successful businessman and his charming wife Helen is the very capable owner and manager of the Hollywood Beauty Parlor in Oakland.

VALLEJO (FPA)-Colonel Antonio Chanco was married to Miss MORALES after a whirlwind courtship of a few days. Col. Chanco returned to Manila after attending the General Staff and Command School at Leavenworth Kansas. He is one of the young Filipino graduates from the West Point Military Academy, and Miss MORALES is one of the debutantes of the Filipino society in Vallejo.

LONG BEACH (FPA)-Mr. And Mrs. Laag accompanied Mrs. Aurora Quezon and Family to San Francisco and stayed with the distinguished family of the late President Quezon at the St. Francis Hotel until the plane taking home the illustrious visitors left Hamilton Field on the night of Nov. 17 for Manila with the presidential party of the Hon. Sergio Osmena.

SEATTLE, Washington (FPA)-Mr. And Mrs. Pio De Cano and their sons left for San Francisco to attend the social affairs given in that city for President Sergio Osmena. While in San Francisco the De Canos stayed at the Palace Hotel and they took time off to visit their friends in and around the Bay Area. Mr. De Cano plans to leave for Manila towards the end of the month to establish business connections in the Philippines.

BALTIMORE, Maryland (PFA)-Judge and Mrs. Marcelo Boncan arrived here to consult Johns Hopkins Hospital for an ailment contracted by Judge Boncan during the Japanese occupation of the Philippines. Mrs. Boncan is the former Feliza Limjap sister of Mrs. Sergio Osmena and is well remembered as the first muse of the famed Bachelors Club of Manila.

SAN FRANCISCO (FPA)-The Office of the Resident Commissioner in San Francisco is enhanced by the employment of the beautiful and young Miss Virginia Langoey from Seattle, Washington. Miss Langoey is the new addition in that office and is employed as a clerk.

LOS ANGELES (FPA)-Mrs. Pilar H. Lim and her minor children have returned to Los Angeles after a year's stay in Washington, D. C. It is reliably reported that the Lim plan to stay in this country indefinitely or at least until such time as the fate of General Lim will be established once and for all.

SAN FRANCISCO (FPA)-Mrs. Miline Charnley (nee Marie Paloma Osmena) was guest of Mrs. Estela R. Sulit at the fashion show luncheon of the Maison Mendesol at the St. Francis Hotel on Monday, Nov. 26. Mrs. Charnley spoke on the Philippines at the town Hall on Tuesday, Nov. 27, appealing to the Americans for more relief to the Filipinos.

SANTA BARBARA, California (FPA)- Spending a week's vacation in this fashionable resort is Mrs. Milne Carnley daughter of President Sergio Osmena of the Philippines. Mrs. Charnley is on a lecture tour in the Pacific Coast while her husband is on a concert tour in the East.

SAN JOSE (FPA)-The first birthday anniversary of little Jim Juan Corpus son of T/Sgt. Juan Corpus was celebrated here in the form of a chop suey party at the Chinese Lantern on Nov. 5. The party was given by Mrs. Violet Corpus loving mother of little Jim.

President in the party were: Mrs. Sally Regala and her son Rommy, Mrs. Josephine Peralta, M. Y. Luna, Josephine Prubio, Mr. And Mrs. Louis Zabala, Mrs. Constance A Hipolito, Paul Ruben, Gene Raras, D. F. Cruz, Christina Amado and many others. Sgt. Corpus father of Jim was not present as he is still in the Philippines.

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17 December 1945, Page 6  
Church Wedding for Miss Galicia

SALINAS, Calif, The charming daughter of Mr. And Mrs. Marcelo R. Galicia, Presentacion, became the bride of Mr. Purisimo Acojido during a marriage ceremony at the Filipino United Church on Sunday, the sixteenth of this month.

The former Miss Presentacion Galicia is one of the most popular Filipino girls in this town. She graduate from Salinas High School this year. She is active in the affairs of the younger set of the church.

The matron of honor was Mrs. Marina Malbas. The bridesmaids were Misses Gertrude Baguio, Consuelo Olivete and Rosie Garcia. The flower girls were Carolina Talicia and Mary Hilda Sampayan. The best man was Mr. CLEMENTE MORALES. The ushers were Domingo Cadiz, Geronimo Padre, and Alex Cruz. The veil holders were Gessie Malig and Conchita Olivete. The ring bearer was Mr. Bernard Malbas.

Rev. Robert Crichton, pastor of the church, performed the marriage ceremony. A reception in honor of the newlyweds followed the ceremony.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, June 1945, Page 8

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Philippine Examiner  
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Colonel Takes Bride Home

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Mrs. Paulina Morales And Son Return After Spending Six Years In Philippines  
SALINAS -- MRS. PAULINA MORALES, former dynamic president of the Filipino Women's Club of Salinas Valley and wife of CLEMENTE MORALES, Sr, popular contractor, returned to this city with her son, clemente Jr, after almost six years in the Philippines.

MRS. MORALES and her son went back to the Philippines in July, 1940. While in the Philippines, she went to Cotobato, Mindanao, where she was interested in the abaca industry. Because of her enthusiasm of this particular

industry plus her interest in the promising new Ramie crop, raw materials for rayon silk, MRS. MORALES bought a homestead where she built a modern house, patterned to an American home.

Before the war Clemente, Jr, was studying in Manila while her mother was supervising her homestead in Cotobato. When the war broke out in the islands, the mother and son were separated. MRS. MORALES implies that as a mother, she never lost any hope of meeting sooner or later Junior, although she stayed in the evacuation camp in Cotobato from May 5, 1942 until May 15, 1945 when the 116th Regiment, U. S. Army, liberated the camp.

The authorities of the Military government saw in MRS. MORALES a leadership, one that could be depended upon. As such she was offered the post of a Mayor, but she refused because she was more concerned about her son than personal glory.

MRS. MORALES took a plane to Laonag, Ilocos Norte, where she proceeded to her home town, Salsons. There she met her son in the company of her father-in-law, MRS. MORALES said that she wanted to join her husband here with her son. "That is why we are here again, in this prosperous town," she remarked. "Anyway this is my home town when I am in America," Mrs. MORALES continued with a smile, MRS. MORALES plans to go back to the Philippines and resume her business in the Ramie industry.

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20 April 1946, Page 6

Patricia Parrott to Continue Studies

SALINAS -Charming and dimpled Miss Patricia Parrot 18, who accompanied MRS. PAULINA MORALES and her son from Manila has decided to make Salinas her residence. Patricia has two sisters Mary and Helen, and a brother Jess, all are now residing in the state of Washington. Her parents, Mr. And Mrs. Ruben Parrott, died at Bataan during the Japanese occupation.

Patricia graduated from Saint Dosmitillas college, and exclusive school for girls in Manila. She came to the United States to continue her studies. She is now living with the MORALES family who welcomed her as their future daughter.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, June 1946, Page 1

### **Picnic At Sherwood Park: Many Events**

Mayor George Taylor Will Be Guest of Honor at Dance to be Held at Armory

Gigantic and elaborate preparations for the celebration of the forthcoming Philippine Independence Day on July 4th are being made by all Filipino communities in the continental United States and in the Territory of Hawaii. Leaders of these communities, especially those in the Pacific Slope, in compliance with the recent instruction from the office of the Resident

Commissioner, are busy mobilizing their powers and resources for the celebration of this most significant moment in the lives of the eighteen million Filipinos, who for centuries have clamored, strove and fought for freedom.

On July 4th, through the operations of the Tydings-McDuffey Law passed by Congress in 1934, the war-ravaged Philippines will take her place among the happy independent nations of the world. As outward demonstrations of their overflowing gratitude toward the United States for her unselfish efforts in helping them prepare for their independence and of their overwhelming determinations to face the uncertainties of the coming Atomic era, Filipinos everywhere are staging all-day and all night affairs of unprecedented rejoicing. For centuries, these bolowielding Filipinos have incessantly struggled for freedom- they rebelled against Spain and undermined the efficiency of the Japanese Occupation.

Washington, Chicago, New York, Brooklyn, Philadelphia, Boston, Kansas, St. Louis, Detroit, New Orleans, Denver, Salt Lake City and Phoenix Filipinos will celebrate the event with banquets, dances, programs, etc.

Greetings to Filipino communities in the United States. Independent Day challenge to our best and utmost to dedicate ourselves, make success of freedom, justify faith of America, and contribute our share to world "DATA IS NOT PROVIDED" during the community's frolics. And even up there in far north Alaska where thousands of Filipinos are busy canning salmon this day will be also their off day for fun and whoopie. In Tacoma, Wapato and Portland and other towns where Pinoys are located will assemble for a 24 hour rejoicing.

Filipinos living in northern and central California will stage shows and entertainments that have the earmarks outstanding. In Stockton, an expected mammoth parade Of all the existing fraternal and sectional organizations will take place. The Legionarios del Trabajo, headed by their Grand Delegate F. M. Esteban, the Caballeros de Dimas Alang with Grand Master C. T. Alfafara, the Filipino Federation of America with Acting President E. C. Pecaon, the Filipino Community Prexy Teofilo Suarez and scores of other associations will parade through the downtown streets of "Little Manila". Floats and bands entered by different American and Filipino groups will add to the color of the Fiesta. In San Francisco and in Oakland, plans have been already perfected to stage big and colorful banquets and dances in the cities' largest halls.

Those in Delano, Reedley, Porterville, Sacramento, Marysville, Santa Maria, Santa Barbara, Oxnard, Guadalupe, Pismo Beach, San Luis obispo, Vallejo, and other towns will also hold similar affairs. In Alvarado a well managed literary-musical program and dance will be held by the residents of Northwestern Alameda and Contra Costa Counties at the Portuguese hall. Participants in the program are well known radio singers and speakers. Major John Haar of Hayward has been contacted as the guest of the evening.

The more than ten thousand residents in the Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Monterey sector will spend their Independence Day rejoicing at three places- San Jose, Watsonville and Salinas. The Watsonville people will hold their banquet and literary program at the famous Hotel Resetar on Wednesday evening, July 3rd. President Benny Tabangeay of the community there has secured the services of many talented and well known group to participate in the program. Mayor Baker of the city will be the guest speaker while Ireneo Cabatit, official representative of the Resident Commissioner's office, will be present to deliver the message of that office. The other parts of the program are invocation by Rev. Critchon, selections by orchestra, introductory remarks by Eddie Castro, vocal solo by Helen Cupal, Welcome address by the president, vocal solo by Dolores Catall, and selection by orchestra.

At San Jose, the community will hold an open-air, all-day grand picnic. From ten in the morning to six in the evening the frolickers will enjoy watching the many different athletic contests such as juego de anillo on bicycles, indoor baseball and volleyball(between Mexican and Pinoy teams), track and field events and pinpong tournaments. There will also be a dance contest. All winners in the athletic and dance contests will be awarded handsome prizes. Later in the afternoon a musical-literary "DATA IN NOT AVAILABLE" to give the principal address of the day. Other partakers N. The day's program are invocation by Rev. Callao, piano solo by Rebecca Austria, violin solo by Fred Moribus, vocal solo by Pacita Totod, carinosa dance by Henrietta and Godie Villarruz and Jennie and Rosita Paras: piano selection by Jorge Moribus, and speech by Pres. Primo Villarruz. Another folk dance featuring the "planting Rice" is also in the program. Scene of the all-day picnic where everything will be given free is the Swiss American Club.

Undoubtedly the most colorful celebration to be staged in central California on that day is the Salinas Filipino affair. General Chairman Johnny Cacas and his energetic subordinates have been busy putting the finishing touches of their show. The plan to hold all-day and all-night affairs. During the day a big picnic will be held at the Sherwood Park, near the Rodeo Grounds with different athletic tournaments featuring. Select volleyball and softball teams from this area will face the formidable clubs from San Francisco and Guadalupe. The girl's volleyball team under the managerialship of Estela Ben is expected to provide lots of thrills and excitement as the members are known to be "ambidezterous Amazona." Ping pong and tennis will also be contested upon. Chows, consisting of lechons, fried chicken, Philippine delicacies and unlimited soft drinks will be offered to the public for free consumption.

The main feature of the daylight activity is the flag raising ceremonies which will be undertaken by the members of the Fil-American Legion Post No. 652. The local American Legion will officiate the ceremony -hoisting the

Philippine Flag to the top of the specially constructed pole. The Sherwood picnic will commence at nine in the morning and end at six in the afternoon.

The nocturnal celebration will be a literary and grand ball at the Salinas Armory hall starting at eight. Highlights of the evening's occasion will be the coronation of the elected "Miss Philippine Republic" and her Royal Court comprising the Missess Luson, Visayas and Mindanao who were elected by a popular vote during the community's las tdance held on June 29th.

Folk dances hitherto unseen in these parts will be dance by trained participants. The Rigodon de Honor, the national dance of the Philippines will make its initial debut that night. It will be performed by married couples in the valley. Another folk dance featuring the young children in the town will also be shown. Vocal rendition by locally known artists such as Gloria Abarquez, Dolores Catalla, Mrs. Ramona Lozada and Mrs. Maxima Sampayan are also listed in the night's entertainment.

The popular Mayor of the city of Salinas, George Taylor, has been unanimously selected to be the Guest of Honor. Manuel Luz, President of the Community and commander of the Fil-American Legion Post No.652 will also give a brief talk.

Assisting the general chairman in this celebration are Treasurer Philip Ben, vice-president Pantaleon Espejo, Alejandro Barnachia, Auditor Leon de Asis and MRS. PAULINA MORALES. Philip Sun is the chairman of the Program Committee, while abe Aquino and Silverio Recta are in the Social Committee.

SOURCE: The Philippine Star Press , 20 April 1946, Section One Page 7

### **Salinas Community Honors Filipino Veterans With A Banquet And Ball**

SALINAS -With Atty. Anthony Brazil, District Attorney of Monterey County, as guest speaker, the Filipino Community of Salinas Valley tendered a banquet and ball in honor of the Filipino veterans at the Army Hall on March 30th. There were about 400 guests at the affair. Mr. Brazil declared that justice is for everybody regardless of race, color and religion. He paid tribute to the veterans of this war and those who gave their lives so that others may live in the way they want to be.

After a delicious dinner was served, a very entertaining program followed of which Pantaleon Espejo, vice president, as the master of ceremonies. Rev. Robert Crichton gave the invocation. Dolores Catalla, violinist and a high school student, captured the heart of her audience with her sweet voice when she gave a vocal solo. Miss Pacita Todtod also received a tremendous applause when she gave a vocal solo, accompanied at the piano by Madame Turgue. Mauel Luz, president, gave a remark emphasizing the need of cooperation. Mrs. Estela Sulit of San Francisco gave a speech exalting the deed of the Filipino veterans. MRS.

PAULINA MORALES who just arrived from the Philippines also made a speech emphasizing the urgent need of the Filipino people for clothes. After the program, a scroll of honor was given to each veteran by the Filipino community. Misses Gloria Abarquez and Gertrude Baguio handed the scrolls to the veterans. The rest of the evening was spent in dancing. Among those who attended the affair were: Mrs. Anthony Brazil, with the District Attorney; Perfecto Bandalan and Florence Cruz, both of the Bataan Interprise; Mr. And Mrs. J. F. Cacas; Mr. And Mrs. Lozada; Mr. And MRS. C. C. MORALES and Miss Patricia Parrott; Mr. And Mrs. Leon de Asis; Mr. And Mrs. Malbas; the Raymonds; Mr. And Mrs. Galicia; Mr. And Mrs. Gutierrez; the Tagayunas; the Garcia family; the Catallas; the Avillas; Mr. And Mrs. Philip Ben; Mr. And Mrs. P. Espejo; Mrs. Todtod; Minus Sultan Lozares with his financial and moral support as usual; Mr. E. Palma; Mr. And Mrs. R. B. Sampayan; Mr. And Mrs. George Montero; the Caliba family; Mr. And Mrs. G. Maratas; Capt. And Mrs. M. Sulit of San Francisco; Mr. And Mrs. Alex Barnacha; Mr. Luis Agudo, Sr. Of Manila on a business trip to the United States; Dr. S. Ledesma; Dr. M. David Malig; Lt. Laurena Patacsil who served in Europe; Cpt. Lolita Balambao, a WAC. The officers of the community are: Manuel Luz, president; Pantaleon Espejo, vice President; Miss Gloria Abarquez, acting secretary; Luis Palma, treasurer; Leon de Asis, auditor; Joe Mendoza and David Ponce, both sergeant-at-arms. The committees were: Abraham Aquino, general chairman; Philip Ben, reception committee chairman; P. H. Espejo, program committee chairman; Ted Olivares and Benny Ligsay, both are members of the program committee; Silverio Beeta, invitation and advertising committee chairman; members of the committee were: Gloria Abarquez, Mrs. Philip Ben. Mrs. F. Malbas and Bose Garcia. Mr. Epistola was the decoration chairman.

SOURCE: Philippines Star Press, 18 May 1946, Page 7, part 1

### **Young People Sponsor Mother's Day Program**

SALINAS, Calif- The young people of the Filipino United Church at Salinas sponsored an impressive mother's day program. Sunday, May 12. Among the highlights of the program were: Musical reading- "It's Mama; All the Time." by H. Della Jr. Sextette- by Rufina Avilla, Dorothy Calvia, Betty Olivete; Robert Maratas, Narciso Caliva and Rudy Sun. An exercise by six children- "Mother" by Sylvia Maratas, Marcadio Galicia, Ronald Cacas, Corazon Galicia, Ronald Layugan, and Tessie Malig. Piano selection by Romointa Lazoda. Scripture reading by Rudolph Sun. Address by Manuel Luz, guest speaker of the occasion. Vocal selection by Miss Patricia Parrott. "Tell Mother I'll be There" by mothers. Benediction and prayer by Rev. Robert A. Crichton, pastor of the church. After the program, there was an election of officers of the church. The elected officers were: J. F. Cacas, president; Marcelo Calicia, see'y; Mrs. Phillip Ben, treasurer,

Board of Trustees: J. F. Cacas, M. Galicia, Mrs. Phillip Ben, MRS. C. C. MORALES, Mrs. A. Maratas, R. B. Sampayan and F. Maratas, Board of Elders: Honoria Della, elected for three years; R. B. Sampayan, elected for tow years. Pianist; Miss Consuelo Olivete, Mrs. A. Maratas, assistant. Sunday School teachers; Miss Patricia Parrott and to be assisted by Mrs. A. Maratas.

SOURCE: Philippines Star Press, 18 May 1946, Page 1 part 2

**Photograph:**

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SOURCE: Philippines Star Press, 4 July 1946, Page 6 Part 1

**Girls Have Joint Birthday Party**

SALINAS, Calif.-Miss Pat Parrott, charmin Filipina from the Philippines, and Nita Alfara, daughter of Mr. And Mrs. C. T. Alfafara of San Francisco, had joint birthday parties on the 20th of last month at ht ehome of Mr. And MRS. C. C. MORALES of this city. The charming girls had three birthday cakes two of them were given by Mr. And Mrs. Alfafara and the other one was given by Mr. Cesario Valen to Patricia Parrott. The party was the most succesful occasion that has ever been tendered in this city because of th eassorted delicacies served. Dancing followed the dinner. Miss Parrott is now in her 19th summr and Nita alfafara, who was the recipient of a citation award because of her leadership, from the San Francisco American Legion, is now in her 14th summer. Among those who attended the lively party were: Mr. And Mrs. J. F. Cacas, Mr. And Mrs. B. R. Losada and family, Mr. And Mrs. Galicia, Mr. And Mrs. C. T. Alfafara, Mr. And Mrs. Philip Bep, Mr. And Mrs. Philp Sun, Mr. And Mrs. GARCIA, Mr. And mrs. Baguio, Miss Gloria Abarquez, Miss Trudy bAguio, Rosie Garcia, Delores Catalia, Dr. David Malig, and of course, Mr. And MRS. C. C. MORALES and many others.

SOURCE: Philippines Star Press, 5 October 1946, Page 1 -- Part One

**Patria Morales Enrolls At Salinas Jaysee**

SALINAS, Calif. -- Patria MORALES, charming niece of Mr. And Mrs. CLEMENTE MORALES, has just arrived from the Philippines. Miss MORALES came here for the purpose of continuing her studies. She is now enrolled at the Salinas Junior College. She is living with his uncle and aunt, Mr. And MRS. MORALES.

SOURCE: Philippines Star Press, 5 October 1946, Page -- Part One

### **Mrs. Laureana Patacsil Is Given Farewell Dinner**

SALINAS, Calif. -- The Saturnina Lodge, and auxiliary of the CDA, gave a farewell dinner in honor of Mr. Laureana Patacsil, R. N. And former lieutenant in the Nurse Corps of the U. S. Army, who is going back to the Philippines as soon as maritime strike is over. The occasion also is intended to welcome Mr. And Mrs. Malbas who have just returned from the Philippines. Mr. And Mrs. Malbas went to attend the inauguration of the Philippine Republic last July. Short speeches were made and the mistress of the night was MRS. PAULINA MORALES. The occasion was managed by Mrs. Alex Barnacha and assisted by Mrs. Stela Ben. Among those present at the occasion were Mr. C. B. Ledesma, Misses Patricia Parrott and Gloria Abarquez, Mr. And Mrs. F. Inocencio, Mrs. Laureana Patacsil, honored guest; Dr. David Malig, Mr. And Mrs. J. F. Cacas; Mr. And Mrs. CLEMENTE MORALES; Mr. And Felipe Sun; Mr. And Mrs. Alex Barnacha; Mr. And Mrs. A. Maratas; Mr. And Mrs. I. Malbas; Mr. And Mrs. Calitisen; Mr. And Mrs. Jose Reyes; MRS. Ramona Lozada and daughter; Miss Irene Ledesma; Mr. Filimon Jeson; C. Epistola; Mr. And Mrs. Puyot; Mrs. Frank Maratas; Mr. J. B. Sampayan; Mrs. Galicia; Mr. And Mrs. Oriate; Mrs. Stela Ben; Mr. Pio Maquiling; Mr. Filomeno and many others.

The affair was held at the Ben and Bob Cafe at Monterey and Gabilan Streets.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, June 1946, Page 4

### **Photograph:**

Caption: Members Of The Salinas Women's Club And Guest

SEATED FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: MRS. C. C. MORALES, Mrs. Julian Avilla, Mrs. Filemon A. Jason, treasurer; Mrs. Henry Garcia, Mrs. F. L. Malvas, President; Mrs. M. R. Galicia, vice-president; Mrs. Philip B. Ben, Secretary; and Mrs. Alex L. Barnachia. Standing from left to right: Mrs. AH. Caletisen, Miss Rufina Avilla, Mrs. Annie Ramos, Mrs. Mike Bautista, Mrs. Philip B. Sun, Mrs. Guillermo Tagayuna, sergeant-at-arms; Mrs. Violet Bautista, Mrs. George Burgos, Miss Patricia Parrott, Miss Rosie Garcia, Miss Gloria Arbaquez, Miss Dolores Catalia, Miss Gertrude Baguio, and Mrs. Nene Acojido, Mrs. Angelino Rayumo, assistant secretary is not in the group.

SOURCE: Philippines Star Press, 18 May 1946, Page 1 part 2

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**Promenading In Salinas**

By Sinforoso Europa

SALINAS, California-Did you attend the dance in celebration of the baptism of Nicanor M. Lasoda Jr, on the night of November 6? If you didn't, you really missed something. Delicacies, dances and songs-all there to answer what the heart seeks for in a party.

The Senor, Mr. Nicanor Losada, spent his good time of the evening (very affording) by cooking, and being good at that, gave us a lingering taste of the choicest Filipino and American dishes. His wife, the former Helen Oliva, Troy Helen of all the Olivas, gave an added touch of flavor to the much enjoyed foods with her ever present smiles.

The godmothers, Gloria Maglenty and Boby Cachola, and the godfathers, Pete Cashunla and Tomy Ortiga, performed their "solo flights" of dancing in conformity with a tradition. And in conformity with that tradition, the boys had to rid their pockets of "chicken feeds" as the act of respect and blessing to the ones concerned. Was it you, Mrs. Cachola, who said you almost ran when you heard the clink of silver coins falling on your feet? Why, you had almost derogated beyond stich our highly cherished national custom!

And what is the name of the wallop you danced, Flo? You had everybody's attention focused at you. Very interesting and contagious that one. Everybody was soon twisting himself and herself the way you did. The boys seated in he front of me had their heels suspended up in the air. Were you seated in front of me, Mr. Luz? Oh, boy, what a hot one! I mean the dance.

The Miss (or is she Mrs.) who sang in our lingo really had a voice soft and flowing and tempting like icecream set on the tip of the nose on a warm weather. The boys, surely. Would like to hear you sing in every party or dance we hold.

The raffle dance for the benefit of the diabled veterans in the philippines held at the Armony hall on December 21, is a talk of the past, and its success was due greatly to the warm response shown by the Filipino residents in the Salinas Valley and adjoining areas. Equally it was due to the untiring efforts of the members of the Filipino Women's Club who sponsored it.

Special mention is given to the "pinacle" woman, Mrs. Marina Malbas who is the president of the Club and the leader in the crusade. At this point I should like to patronise my former employers, Mr. And Mrs. Malbas, with a few words. They are a likeable lot of people, sweet and affable, with ingrained sense of probity. Then we have the underlying props of its success, which should be mentioned also. Rosie Garcia, who sold the highest number of tickets, winning the title "Miss P. I. Disabled veterans" as a result. This girl always comes out first in every contest if importance. On July 4, she was crowned Miss Philippines Republic; in the Halloween dance, she got away with the first price; again, this time, she is the winner. What next? Tell me, what is the secret Rosie? I heard someone say you have charm. I asked him what it is, but he could not tell me because he said it is a hidden one. (Please, don't dig who the guy is.) Well, if it is no irresistible personality, I should like to explore that hidden charm to be yours. Virginia Villarmor, rated second in in the number of tickets sold. And Dolores Catalla, getting third sing her way up in Rosie's place! Place. I wonder why she did not and the rest of the members of the Club. You are all commended on the roll of honor.

Pardon me. I almost forgot to mention the dignitaries who attended it and contributed galor to the ruffle ceremony with resounding speeches that flattered everybody almost to death. And that is what they are, these soap-box orators, if you have the heart to call them thus. They take their audience for rubber-bubble, which they could distend at will, even to the dangerous point short of dispulsion. And, consciously or unconsciously, we were their rubber-bubble that night. The Honorable George Taylor, our beloved mayor, said in laconic effect that Salinas is our home as it is his! Was not that the essence of your speech, Mayor? And, if you are willing, I will answer that in as much laconic term. "You are home in our heart, Mayor." The Grandmaster of the Caballeros de Dimas Alang, Mr. Alfafara, placed us in the list as being the first among the Filipinos communities in the whole stretch of the United States in the humanitarian and brotherly act of giving aid to the disable veterans in the Philippines. That indeed, a great honor to us, Mr. Alfafara, very sweet, one we hardly deserve. And then we had Miss Mercedes Evangelista, who arrived lately from the Philippines, with some evangelic mission to do here. It is hard for me to forget the name "Mercedes" because I knew a woman by that name who went to live in a nunnery in Manila on account of love disappointment. Women who are disappointed by the men they love always try to mend their disappointed heart by doing something. Some become nuns; others choose to be writers, artists and social workers. By this, Miss Evangelista, I don't mean to imply that because you are a social worker, you have been disappointed in love. Far from thta. Did you say that you would not go home until you have succeeded in influencing the Congress of the United States to pass the law giving the same privileges to the veterans of the Philippines as are given to the American

veterans? With your influential position, with your convincing personality, with your unremitting determination, you will succeed in your seraphic mission, we pray.

As to us boys, down here, none of us ever dreamed of going so big an undertaking as that. We have always been so busy raising lettuce for the people of the United States, and now we had better sharpen our hoes for the next thinning and hoeing season. In fact I have already sharpened my hoe to equivalent of a razor blade that I am, for the time being, using it for shaving, as there are no lettuce to work on with now.

And who would be glad to see you go home, anyway? Have you not captured our hearts? Would it not be sickening to see you leave us? If you stay with us long enough, the president of the community, Mr. Luz, will perhaps see to it that dance is sponsored in your honor, making us, boys, elect you as pin-up girl. If Rosie will not run, I am sure that you will be elected. And then what you never have expected shall happen -- a dashing Romeo knocking at your door -- or is that what you are presently expecting? If so, we have honorable men among us, approaching your category, the doctors Ladesma and Malig, if they have not married and not remarried yet. Speak up for yourselves, boys! Then those Labor contractors who are quick, ever quick, to get under the spotlight when it comes to women. I mean the single ones. They are good, moneyed, not famished in culture. And much better would they be if they shop out-dating one another. (Don't take what I say seriously, datus.) And again, we have these lowly laymen, of which I am one; and, speaking as a lowly layman for my lowly class, I should like to say that we all feel more at ease staying behind the rope than entering the ring. However, it is still your own prerogative to pick whomever you want, or to remain what you are, carrying on the important work which none could shoulder other than you. Godspeed to you, Miss Evangelista.

Now, let us go back to the raffle. The ice-box, the wrist-watch, the table lamps-keep them, you lucky-winners!

December 28 of 1946 became our empyrean, or the most outstanding day of the year, if by so saying, we limit the thought to dances and programs across the sea, that give impetus in the cultural modeling of the young generation here. The Rizal Lodge of the Caballeros de Dimas Alang gave the outstanding program, and held it in the spacious hall of the Armory.

If you had been there that night, you would have seen the glorious displays of glittering colors in the dresses and make-up of our young boys and girls who acted in the show. It was a hotch potch, yet beautiful, of Filipina dresses, barong Filipinos, umbrellas, and wide-brimmed hats made of the fronds of tropical palms. You would have taken into heart same step of the Filipino folk dance played, which ranged from the bamboo dance to the rice-planting dance, and act them yourself in seclusion. You would have watched Maria Clara cross the hall in

facile steps and would have taken her for the mother whom you were want to see trot lightly the sala of your home. Then you would have heard native songs that would have awoken your memory of gone-by days, of sweethearts left behind, of parents and sisters and brothers who still hold in their hearts unallayed hope of your return. (I did not feel that way; I was much absorbed at the immaculate beauty of the sister.) And finally, you would have wondered at the endurance and masterly skill of our women leaders, such as Mrs. Malbas and Mr. MORALES and others who prepared and made possible the success of the show. To these women who are authorities on Philippine folk dances and song, we owe a great deal of pleasure in their social accomplishment, and to them our young generation is greatly indebted for its glorious tomorrow.  
Sinforoso Europa

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### **Salinas Attend Banquet And Ball Held In Bay City**

Last Saturday evening, the 17th of this month, the cream of the Filipinos in Salinas Valley had attended a banquet and ball at the Palace Hotel in San Francisco. The banquet was under the sponsorship of the Philippine Consulate. The purpose of the banquet was to raise money for the Philippine Boy Scouts.

The Salinans that attended the banquet were: President of the Community and Mrs. Philip Ben, Mr. And Mrs. M. Galicia, Mr. And MRS. C. C. MORALES, Mr. Stanley Rigunay and daughter, Laureta, Mr. And Mrs. R. B. Sampayan, Mr. And Mrs. J. Bolili, Mr. And Mrs. E. Reyes, Mr. Loy Palma, Mr. Bernabe and Miss Gertrude Baguio, Mr. And Mrs. P. M. Olivete and daughter, Miss Peaches Olivete, and last but not least out Dr. S. B. Ledesma.

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### **Rizal Lodge Deligates To Annual Conference Of Cda Held At L. A.**

In a recent meeting of the Rizal Lodge No. 3, Mr. F. Jason, Master of the Lodge, had appointed delegates to attend the annual conferene of T. He Caballeros de Dimas Alang of America, Inc, which will be held at Los Angeles, California. The conference will last from January 20th to 25th.

The delegates that were appointed to represent the Lodge were: Master F. Jason, Mr. F. Filomeno, Mr. Ciriaco Epistola, Mr. Alex Barnachia, Mr. Antonio Calitisen, Mr. P. M. Olivete, Mr. F. B. Sun, Mr. Luis Palma, Mr. C. Padilla, Mr. Cesario Valen, and MRS. C. C. MORALES.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, January 1948, Page 1

**Photograph:**

CAPTION: MISS PATRICIA MORALES -- Popular and talented is this lovely co-ed, an addition to this community less than two years ago from the Philippines. She was QUEEN of the Filipino participation to the Colmo del Rodeo. She is the star folk dancer of the Cultural School and a much in demand kundiman singer. She is a niece of Mr. And Mrs. CLEMENTE C. MORALES.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, January 1948, Page 1

**Purchase Of K. P. Building In Salinas Announced By Lodge**

The Knights of Pythias building was purchased by the Rizal Lodge No. 3, Saturnina Rizal Lodge No. 15, Caballeros de Dimas Alang of America, Inc. The building is located in the heart of Salinas, California. According to the local lodge it will be known as the Building of The CABALLEROS DE DIMAS ALANG TEMPLE.

In a recent meeting of the Rizal Lodge, the building will be run by Board of Trustees which will be elected by the members of the Lodge. The Board of Trustees that were elected were: Mr. P. M. Olivete, Chairman; Mrs. Paulina C. MORALES, Secretary Treasurer; and members are: Mrs. E. Reyes, Mrs. Paula Galicia, Mr. A. Barnachia, Mr. G. Javier, Mr. Pio Makiling, Mr. Loy Palma, Mr. F. Jason, Mr. Antonio Calitisen, Mr. F. Filomeno.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, January 1948, Page 3

**Society Notes (Jan48)**

HOLIDAY NEWS -- During the holiday season, Mr. And MRS. C. C. MORALES and son, Clemente, Jr, and niece, Miss Patria MORALES, spent a two weeks vacation in the southern states. The family that went with them were Mr. And Mrs. M. Galicia and children, Marcelo and Carlina. These two families went as far as New Orleans. According to reliable information, they said that they had enjoyed the trip and also the hospitality of the New Orleansians. On their way home they stopped at the famous ranch of Mr. And Mrs. Cacas at Summerston, Arizona.

Mr. And Mrs. F. B. Sun and children spent also a week vacation at southern California. San Diego, the port harbor of the southern part of the state, was their destination. They have visited some of their friends and relatives. Before leaving the city, they went for a sight seeing at the city of Tiajuana.

PROGRAM -- During the holiday season, the Upsilon Gamma Chi, a society of Women at Salinas Junior College, sponsored a program at the Junior College Auditorium. In the program Filipino dances in native costumes were given by six talented girls, Miss Rizaline Raymundo, Miss Gertrude Baguio, Miss Virginia Garcia, Miss Gloria Maglenty, and Miss Patria C. MORALES. Miss

MORALES also danced a solo they called "The Glass Danced." The music was accompanied by Miss Peaches Olivete.

BIRTHDAY PARTY -- Miss Gloria Abarquez, the beautiful sister of Mrs. Stella Ben, had celebrated her 20th birthday last December the 13th, 1947, at the Women's Civic Club. The party started at seven in the evening and lasted until one in the morning. Dances and an impromptu program were rendered during the party. Those partaking in the program were: ? Speech by Mr. C. C. MORALES and Mr. C. Alfafara, songs by Miss Patria MORALES, Miss Dolores Catalla, Miss Albert Paculba and the toast-mistress of the evening was Miss Trudy Baguio. After the program, refreshments were served.

Miss Gloria Abarquez was showered with many kinds of beautiful gifts. And before parting Miss Abarquez expressed her sincere thanks and gratitude to each and everyone for coming to attend her birthday.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, February 1948, Page 1

### **Popular Girl, Gloria Abarquez Changes Name To Mrs. Cacas**

One of the most popular girls in Salinas gave a surprise to the public from changing her name from Gloria Abarquez to Mrs. Alfonso Cacas. The marriage took place at the Catholic Sacred Heart Church last Saturday morning at nine on the seventh of February.

Given in marriage by her brother, Mr. Pablo Abarquez Jr, the bride wore a gown of heavy white stain with a neckline trimming in seeded pearls, sheer top with applique flowers motif. The skirt, fashioned with a circular hoop was decorated with chiffon in the front. The sleeves were long and very impressive. The veil, also decorated with seeded pearls, was imported from New York. She held a bouquet of orchids and a prayer book.

The bridegroom wore an up-to-date tuxedo by an exclusive tailor shop in town. He also wore a white carnation on his lapel.

The matron of honor, MRS. C. C. MORALES, wore a very lovely gown of which they called the spring fashion of the year. The best man was Mr. John F. Cacas, a very popular labor contractor in Salinas Valley as well as in Somerton, Arizona. He is a cousin of the Bridegroom and also wore a tuxedo suit.

The bridesmaids were Misses Gertrude Baguio, Dolores Catalla and Anita Estallo. They wore pink gowns. The ushers who wore dark suits were Messers Larry Abiang, Eddie Cachola and Vic Calderon. The flower girls who were dressed in white satin were the Lorente sisters and the ring bearer was the young Phillip Ben Jr, nephew of the bride.

After the marriage ceremony, a luncheon followed at the De Mas Alang Temple and in the evening a reception took place in the famous recreational center, formerly the USO building. Friends of the bride and groom from all over the state attended the wedding. There were about 500 guests who attended the

wedding, dancing and the short program that took place later that evening. Those who partook in the program of which Miss Patria MORALES was the toastmaster were: short talk by Mr. C. Alfarfara of San Francisco, vocal solos by Miss Pacita Todtod, the premadona of the garden city, Miss Anita Estallo, Miss Alberta Paculba, Dolores Catalla and Miss Patria MORALES. "I Love You Truly" was the theme of their songs.

After the program, refreshments were served and dancing followed until one in the morning. Before retiring, guests extended their congratulations to the newlyweds.

The bride, the new Mrs. Cacas is the daughter of Mr. And Mrs. Pablo of Arvin, California, and a sister of Mrs. Philip Ben of this city. She is very popular among the Pinays in this town, a former S. J. C. And has attended San Jose State College. She is a member of the Saturnina-Rizal Lodge No. 45, CDA, Inc. She is not only popular, but well known in Civic and Social Welfare in the community of Salinas.

The groom is the cousin of the most popular contractor among the Filipinos in the Valley and Arizona, Mr. John F. Cacas. He hails from Navacan, Ilocos Sur, Philippines. He served in the army for more than three years and has been overseas and has seen action during the invasion of the Philippines. He is also very popular among the Filipinos in Salinas and a member of different organizations such as the Sons of Navacan in America, The Fil Am Post 652, American Legion.

The newlywed took a week honeymoon to the southern part of the state as far as Yuma, Arizona.

Loretta Rigunay Celebrates Her 14th Birthday On March 5, 1948

Loretta Rigunay, charming daughter of Mr. And Mrs. Stanley Rigunay of Salinas, celebrated her 14th birthday on March 5 at her parent's camp in Blanco district.

The celebration started at 10:00a. M. And ended at 1:00a. M. It was the grandest occasion of its kind in Blanco history. The dinner was served between 1:00p. M. And ended at 1:00a. M. The dinner was served between 1:00p. M. And 8:00p. M. Dancing followed after the dinner.

An impromptu program was held between dances. Those who took part in the program were: Mrs. Helen Padua sandin Visayan; Miss Patria MORALES sang in Ilocano; Mrs. Al Cacas sang in Spanish; Ales Bonay sang in English, and Miss Pacita Todtod of San Jose sang both in English and Visayan.

Friends of Miss Rigunay from far and nearby towns came to attend her birthday party. There were around 500 people who attended the occasion.

She was honored with many beautiful gifts. Before the guests went home, Miss Rigunay expressed her sincere thanks and gratitude to everyone who came to help make the party a success.

#### First President of Commonwealth

KGO station the proclamation of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt of the United States setting forth the birth of a Philippine nation as read by Secretary of War George Dern, representing the President; the oath of office of President Manuel L. Quezon; Vice-president Sergio Osmeña, and the oath of office of the Assemblymen; and the inaugural address of Manuel L. Quezon, first president of the Philippines, led by Mr. Mariano Angeles of The Mail-Advertiser, a caravan of well-lighted automobiles made a long procession along the streets of Salinas, stopping at Lake street where they gathered in countless numbers to render a short program, a tribute of gratitude.

Outstanding speakers of the evening were Pastor Ambrosio M. Patacsil and former managing editor of The Mail-Advertiser, Mr. Manuel M. Insigne, who explained in detail what the Philippine Commonwealth means to Filipinos

#### Filipino Community Affairs

At 6 A M, Nov. 15, a gun salute and flourishes opened the day particularly for the Salinas Filipinos. At noon a 10-gun salute fired from the Salinas Armory by the 40th Tank Company, California National Guard, gave an impetus to all Filipinos here. Literary and musical program was rendered in the afternoon, as follows: Bartolome R. Lozado, master of ceremonies; overture, Filipino band; invocation, Pastor Ambrosio, Patacsil; short talk, Cosme (DNL) ; vocal solo, Mrs. Mary (DNL) ; short talk, P. M. Olivete; short talk, Atty. Ray Shelloe; selection, Filipino band; address, Capt. Frank Heple, California National Guard, guest of honor; vocal solo, Mrs. Canete; closing address, J. B. (DNL) ; National Anthem, Filipino Band.

The program was concluded by a dance and athletics.

#### Commonwealth Club Fetes

On the evening of Nov. 15 The Philippine Commonwealth Club of Salinas presented a program and ball at Salinas Woman's Club auditorium. The program concluded of an overture by the Five (DNL) ; introductory remarks, Januario B. Sampayan; welcome address, Felipe B. Sun; vocal solo, Mrs. J. B. Sampayan; address, Hon. C. C. (DNL) ; piano solo, Mrs. Bartolome R. Lozada; message Mayor V. J. Barlogio; Carinosa, Miss Cristine Selor, Mrs. Mamie Culala, Celmente C. MORALES, Flaviano S. Maratas; closing remarks, Leo Escalante; selection, Five Serenaders.

#### Activities Summarized

Summing up all the activities of Salinas Filipinos in the celebration of the inauguration of the Philippines Commonwealth, Nov. 15, presages a reign of mutual understanding and cooperation among all nationalities. Credit is due to the leadership of newspaperman Mariano B. Angeles, labor contractor Januario B. Sampayan, business man Bartolome R. Lozada, and (DNL) for radio services, which made all announcing along streets of Salinas clearly audible.

Queen Annie Avilla, "Miss Cooperation" and one of the leading description drive contestants of The Mail-Advertiser, is heroine of the day, having sold the most number of ribbons bearing "Celebration of the Philippines Commonwealth."

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, February 1948, Page 6

### **Society Notes (Feb48)**

Society Notes (By the Society Editor)

FIL-AM DANCE -- Last Saturday, February the 14th, The Fil-Am Post. No. 652, American Legion, sponsored a dance at the Women's Civic Club, Salinas, California. Through the energetic leadership of Mr. Ernesto Supnet, the second Vice Commander and Social Chairman of the evening, the dance was one of the most enjoyable and successful affairs of the season. Ladies and gentlemen came from other town and attended the occasion.

The highlight of the evening were the contest of the rhumba dance, blues and jitterbug. The winner of the rhumba were Mr. Larry Madolora and Miss Loretta Rigunay; the blues was taken by Mr. Arro and Miss Evelyn Maglenty; the jitter-bug was captured by Mr. Max Taslon and Miss Millie Lozares. Miss Rigunay was awarded a beautiful necklace and Miss Maglenty was given a bracelet while Miss Lozares was also awarded a beautiful necklace.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S GROUP, DINNER, PROGRAM, INSTALLATION OF THE OFFICERS of 1948. In the afternoon of February 8th, 1948, the Young People's Group of the Filipino United Church were installed at the church by Rev. J. Callao. The officers that were installed were: Miss Rufina Avilla, President; Miss Peaches Olivete, Vice President; Mr. Rudy Sun, Sec-Treasurer; Mr. Vic Calderon; Short talk by the President, Miss Rufina Avilla, Sax solo by J. Callao Jr, accompanied by Miss Peaches Olivete, Vocal solo by Conchita Olivete, Violin solo by H. Della Jr, Vocal solo by Miss Patria MORALES, Vocal solo by Miss Alfafara of San Francisco. All solos were accompanied by Miss Peaches Olivete.

BIRTHDAY PARTY -- Miss Dorothy Caliva, a beautiful and charming daughter of Mr. Narisco Caliva of this city, has celebrated her sixteen summers last January 25, 1948. Those that attended the party were: Capt. A. Patacsil, Chaplain of the US Army, Mr. And Mrs. George Montero and family, Mr. And Mrs. Rapanut and family, Mr. Jose Claudio, Mr. And Mrs. Andrew Montero, Mr. And Mrs. Aremas, Mr. And Mrs. Lizardo and family of Irvington, Mr. N. Caliva and Junior Caliva. The hostess was showered with different beautiful gifts. The guests extended their congratulations to her.

BABY GIRL BORN TO MR. AND MRS. FELOMINO -- On February the 4th, Mr. And Mrs. A. P. Felomino were blessed with a very charming girl. She was born at the Park Lane Hospital. Dr. K. W. Corp, M. D, was the attending

physician. Both the baby and mother are fine. Mr. Filomino who as a proud papa passed out cigarettes instead of cigars.

PRETTY BABY GIRL -- "She is a very beautiful baby girl," Dr. E. E. Dong said when he delivered her from Mrs. Hughes Chin last February the 9th, 1948, at the Central Hospital. Both the mother and the baby are getting along fine. Mr. Hughes Chin, a very proud papa, was seen the other day passing cigars to all his friends.

NEWLY-WED -- One of the bachelors of Salinas has joined the "I Do" clan, when Mr. Alejandro Montero took Miss Helen Cure as his wife "for better or for worse." They were married last December 8th, 1947, in the state of New Mexico. Mr. Alejandro Montero was one of the bachelors of Salinas while Miss Helen Cure hails from the state of Texas. After the marriage ceremony, the couple spent their honeymoon in the city of Los Angeles and after that they make their home in the Salad Bown, the city of Salinas.

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#### MRS. MORALES Elected President Of Women's Christian Circle

In a recent meeting of the Women's Christian circle of the Filipino United Church, the organization held an election. MRS. C. C. MORALES was elected as President to lead the Christian Circle for the year 1948. With her tactfulness and experience in civic affairs, spiritually and social, the members were not mistaken in electing her as their President.

The other elected officers were: MRS. C. C. MORALES, President; Mrs. Philip B. Sun, Vice President; Mrs. Juan Callao, Secretary; Mrs. Ansing Maratas, Treasurer; The out-going officers were: Mrs. Ansing Maratas, President; Mrs. M. R. Galicia, Secretary; Mrs. H. Dela, Vice President; Mrs. Philip B. Sun, Treasurer.

Last Sunday, February the 29th, in the afternoon, the newly elected officers were installed at the Filipino United Church. Rev. Juan Callao of the church officiated the installation. After the installation a Pot-Luck Dinner was served at the Church Hall. The dinner was prepared by the whole members of the Club. A well decorated cake was presented by Mrs. Ramona Losada to the newly elected officers of the circle. The attendance were the church goers and every one had a very enjoyable time.

Before parting, MRS. MORALES, expressed her thanks to every one for their coming and attending the installation. She further said that she will try to do the best of her ability to lead the Christian Circle as one of the most and best organizations in the Valley.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, JUNE 1948, Page 1

### **Jc & Hi Graduate Six Filipinos**

Among the members of the graduating class this year from the Salinas Union high school are three Filipinos, They are Misses Rufina Avilla, Evelyn Maglenty, and Mr Albert Baguio. From the Salinas Junior College are also three, Misses Patria MORALES and Alberta Paculba, and Mr. Narciso Caliva, Jr.

Mr and Mrs. C. C. MORALES honored their neice Partia MORALES, with a lively party at ther residence recently attended by close friends of Patria and friends of the well known couple.

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### **The Happy Life**

Edited By Mrs. Mary Calderon

HAPPY BIRTHDAY...to Nick "Stinky" Losada, Jr. Stinky was given a birthday party by his parents, Mr. And Mrs. Nick Losada, at King's Beach near Castroville, California, on August 14.

The highlight of the party was the cutting of a beautifully decorated cake with three candles.

Many relatives and friends of the Losadas attended the gathering, and Stinky was presented with many gifts.

WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS: to Mr. Guil Villarin and the new Mrs. Villarin, nee Peggy Munsell.

The happy couple were married August 14, 1949, at the Filipino United Presbyterian church. Rev. Juan Callao performed the ceremony.

A reception, dinner and dance was held at the Women's Civic Clubhouse where friends of the couple congratulated and wished them a happy married life.

INITIATION DINNER...was sponsored by the Filipino Women's Club of Salinas Valley, August 18.

The dinner was held at Biff's night club in Monterey.

Newly initiated members are Mesdames: Dorothy Naldoza, Julia Laurente, Marjorie Supnet and Mila Naval.

Guest speaker of the evening was Dr. Rosario Aquino, who took post graduate work at Yale University. Dr. Aquino is traveling all over the United States to further her knowledge of Health Education.

TRIPLE BIRTHDAY CONGRATULATIONS...to Philip Ben, Sr, Johnny Adaiento, and Gloria Jean Ramos.

The three honorees were given a barbecue at the Ben's, home 111 Maple street here in Salinas, August 22.

Guests present were: Mr. And Mrs. George Ben and family; Mr. And Mrs. Galicia; Mr. And Mrs. Naldoza and family; Mr. And Mrs. Sampayan and family;

Mr. And Mrs. Al Cacas; Mrs. Losada and daughters; Mr. And Mrs. Viodes and son; Mr. And Mrs. Johnny Cacas; Mr. And MRS. C. C. MORALES; Mr. And Mrs. P. Sun; Mrs. Reyes and daughter; Dr. Rosario Aquino; Miss Alberta Paculba; Miss Remle Andrade; Mr. And Mrs. A. Madolora and family; Mr. Philip Ramos; Mr. Larry Abiang; Mrs. Ethel Basquez; Mr. Marcus Bagawisan, and Mr. And Mrs. Vic Calderon.

The three honorees were presented with many gifts from their friends.

ANDY ARQUERO, official photographer of The MAIL passed out many cigars to all friends he met on the street when he learned from hospital attendants that his wife gave birth to a baby boy. The stork came last Sunday, August 14. As usual, the Arqueros received many congratulations and best wishes from his friends and relatives.

The newcomer is named Raymond Johnny, weighed 7 pounds and 3 ounces at birth. Both are doing fine in their home at Bernal Drive.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 15 April 1949, Page 1

### **Vice Consul Cabatit Visits Friends In Salinas**

Vice Consul Ireneo R. Cabatit of the Philippine Consulate in San Francisco was recently a visitor in Salinas. Vice Consul Cabatit is very well known in Salinas valley having stayed here way back in 1933 go 1934. He was sent to Salinas officially by Consul General Roberto Regala to confer with local Immigration officials regarding their children of Mr. And Mrs. Bolilis who came here about two years ago from the Philippines.

Consul Cabatit while in Salinas took advantage of visiting some of his old time friends, like Sultan Lozares of the Unholy Group, Mr. And Mrs. F. J. Jason, Mr. And MRS. C. C. MORALES, and Mr. And Mrs. D. F. Cruz. Sultan Lozares entertained the visiting Consul who happened to be a member of the Unholy years ago.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 31 January 1949, Page 1

### **Javier Is Elected Community President**

Gabriel D. Javier, loved and respected by all Filipinos in this Valley, young and old alike, was elected to head the Filipino Community of Salinas Valley this year at an election held last night.

Other officers elected are: Vice-President, Mr. Benny Ligsay, manager of Philippine Trading Company; Secretary, Mr. Paul Nava; Assistant Secretary, Mr. Louie Avilla; Treasurer, Mr. Santos M. Sabio, local real estate broker; Assistant Treasurer, Mr. C. C. MORALES, ranking labor contractor; Sergeant-at-Arms, Mr. Benny Espijo and Mr. D. Cruz; Auditor, Mr. P. M. Olivete, local insurance broker.

Board of Trustees are Mr. M. R. Galicia, Mr. F. B. Sun, MRS. C. C. MORALES, Mrs. Nora de Asis, Mr. Alex L. Barnachia and all the past presidents available, like Messers. M. B. Masilongan, Manuel L. Luz, Luis L. Sison, Pablo C. Tangonan and Mrs. Eugenia Sales.

A "gale" is a wind that blows from 39 to 54 miles per hour.

SOURCE: The Philippines Mail, 30 August 1949, Page 1

### **Confesor Endorses President Quirino**

Atty. Muller Speaks At Quirino Banquet and Ball

With all the vigor and aggressiveness of a great leader, P. M. Olivete, President of the "Quirino-for-President Club in Salinas" gave the keynote speech to inspire all co-workers and listeners at the banquet held last Sunday evening at the Cominos Hotel, and the capacity crowd gave him the most enthusiastic response and loudest applause.

"No matter where we are and how far away from the Philippines, we must concern ourselves seriously with the affairs of our beloved country," declared Olivete. And so the Quirino Club was officially launched.

Honor Guest

After enumerating the achievements of the Filipinos and praising highly the President of the Philippines, Attorney John P. Muller, the guest of honor, declared: "You should be interested in the government of your native land although you now make your homes five thousand miles across the Pacific. Moreover you should interest every American in your government, because we, and our way of life, can be greatly affected by what transpires in your Island Republic."

More than 150 paying guests attended the banquet. Rev. Juan Callao, Pastor, Filipino United Church, gave the invocation, and Gregorio C. Aquino, Jr, was master of ceremonies.

Musical Trio given by Johnny Cacas, Jr, CLEMENTE MORALES, Jr, and Bruno Ramones, Jr, and the talented vocalist, Miss Frances de la Rosa, highlighted the musical background.

Francisco A. Lopez, of Los Angeles, declared briefly: "With clean and honest government, the people of the Philippines will be enabled to solve their own problems: They will have clearer vision and greater courage as they step forward with heads high to occupy their seats in the concert of free and decent peoples on earth."

M. R. Galicia, Chairman of Ways and Means Committee, gave the closing remarks, followed by the singing of the national anthems by the crowd.

Dancing until 1 A. M. Was indulged in.

The officers of the club are P. M. Olivete, President; Benny Ligsay, Vice President; Gregorio C. Aquino, Jr, Secretary; Fred Cabacungan, treasurer; and Alex L. Barnachia, Auditor.

Those present were: Mr. And Mrs. J. F. Cacas, Mr. And Mrs. M. R. Galicia, Mr. And Mrs. F. B. Sun, Mr. And Mrs. Stanley rigunay, Miss Mercedes Rigunay, Mr. And Mrs. R. B. Sampayan, Mr. And Mrs. B. G. Aquino, Mr. And Mrs. E. Reyes, Misses Mercedes Rigunay, Delia Franco, Peaches and Violet Olivete, Messrs. A. G. Caoagan, George Nana, Benny Tabangcay, and his sister, Miss Tabangcay, Mr. And Mrs. Benny Ragsac, Mr. And Mrs. E. Ramirez, T. Ferando, Maurice Salgado, Mrs. P. M. Olivete, Mr. A. H. Caletisen, and a hundred others.

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