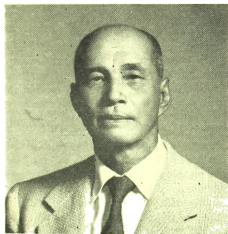


Our Grand Junior Warden

Rt. Wor. Bro. Juan S. Alano, our Grand Junior Warden, is a man and Mason of many accomplishments, the attainment of which is ascribed to diligent and painstaking work. He is a farmer, businessman, lawyer, and statesman. But best of all, he is a philanthropist.



Rt. Wor. Bro. Juan S. Alano

Rt. Wor. Bro. Alano was born on February 8, 1891 in Malolos, Bulacan, but counts himself a Basileño or Zamboangueno, for it is there where he set up his family, his extensive farms, and varied businesses since 1914.

He is the holder of a commerce degree from Ateneo de Manila, an A. B. degree from the University of Santo Tomas, and is a member of the Philippine Bar without having to earn a law degree. He passed the Bar Examinations in 1914 after a few years of clerkship in a government office where

knowledge of the law was required; hence a law degree was not required of him to take the examinations.

After admission to the Bar, he was appointed assistant attorney in the Department of Mindanao and Sulu. In 1916, he resigned his government position and engaged in private practice until 1935 when he entered politics. He was a member of Congress from 1935 to 1949 when he left it for good to devote his entire time to his farms and business enterprises. He heads the Juan S. Alano, Inc. which has interests in shipping, copta, electric and ice services, rubber, and timber. One enterprise which gives him the most enjoyment is his Basilan General Hospital which losses money but saves lives and gives health to the people of the island city of Basilan. In addition, he is a trustee of Brent Hospital in Zamboanga City. He holds a citation from the Red Cross and Rotary club for outstanding services in community work.

Bro. Alano was made a Mason in Mount Apo Lodge No. 45, F & A M in 1919 and served his lodge as Worshipful Master in 1924 and again in 1934. In 1953 he organized Basilan Lodge No. 137 in Basilan City and served as its first Worshipful Master.

As a Scottish Rite Mason, he is a member of Philippine Bodies, attaining the 32^o in 1948. In 1954 he received the rank and decoration of Knight Commander of the Court of Honor; one year later he was coroneted 33^o, Inspector General Honorary, and in 1956 was crowned Sovereign Grand Inspector General.