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## **ARE WE BLUSHING?**

## By the EST

We received a letter from one Mr. Mariano Badillos, a former teacher of Masbate, now studying in a private school in order to complete his ETC. He said he had been laid off, after four years of teaching, because he was still an emergency teacher. "Jobless and without money, I tried to finish my ETC course, so that I could return to the service. I surrendered my insurance policy for its cash value so that I could settle my college obligation. Please follow up my papers at the GSIS so that I could get the money, which I need so badly."

Mr. Badillos had been a regular member of the PPSTA. Upon the receipt of his letter, the Liaison Officer assigned to the GSIS followed up his papers a few days after October 18, the date we received his letter. After nine days, the Liaison Officer informed Mr. Badillos that his check would be sent to him soon. On November 6, Mr. Badillos received his check for ₱185.90 from the GSIS. Then he wrote to the PPSTA Office this letter:

"Dear EST:

I received my warrant for P185.90 on November 6, 1952.

I now realize the importance of our Association.

Our Association, unlike other organizations (modesty aside), has officers who are conscious of their duties and functions.

The officials and employees of our Association have given their hearts to the welfare of the members.

I shall now and forever be grateful for the help and cooperation extended to me by the organization. I would like to state here that such kindness manifested in real service shall be engraved in gold letters in the recesses of my heart."

We do not often receive letters such as this, although many members of our Association who were benefited by the services we render do acknowledge such service in an official way.

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