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President Manuel Roxas who was inaugurated as the first President of the Republic of the Philippines on the Fourth of July a year ago. Despite handicaps brought about by the war he has succeeded in making the Philippines one of the most stable countries in the Far East today. He will lead the nation in observing the first anniversary of the Proclamation of Philippine Independence on July 4th.

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All Philippine consular officials in San Francisco will participate in Philippine Independence Day celebrations in different communities of California.

Judge Roberto Regala will be the principal speaker at the Filipino Community celebration the night of July 3rd at Sacramento. From there, he will proceed to San Francisco to speak at a similar celebration at the YMCA auditorium the following night. Vice Consul J. C. Dionisio will accompany Judge Regala to Sacramento.

Consul Tiburcio C. Baja will represent the consulate general at the celebration in Imperial Valley, California.

Consul Jose F. Imperial will be the principal speaker at the celebration in Stockton, while Vice Consul Aurelio Ramon is scheduled to speak in Alvarado.

Mayor Roger Lapham of San Francisco and Consul General Roberto Regala will be the principal speakers at the Philippine Independence Day celebration to be held the evening of the Fourth of July at the YMCA auditorium, 220 Golden Gate Avenue.

Judge Regala announced that Mayor Lapham has accepted the invitation to address the civic-musical program marking the first anniversary of the establishment of the Republic of the Philippines.

Mayor Lapham's address will be of special interest because by that time he will have returned from a round-the-

world aerial trip which will take him to Manila. Judge Regala said he has wired the Home Office regarding Mayor Lapham's visit here and has requested that a royal welcome be accorded the mayor whom the consul general described in his wire as "most cooperative and a good friend of Filipinos everywhere".

The program, which will start at 7:30 p. m., will feature several Filipino folk dances and songs.

Official observance of the Philippine Independence Day in San Francisco will begin at 10 a. m. on the Fourth of July when Consul General and Mrs. Regala will hold an Open House up to noon during which they will receive Filipino residents in the city. In the afternoon, the Consul General and Mrs. Regala will give a cocktail party to foreign consuls in San Francisco and to city and state officials.

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