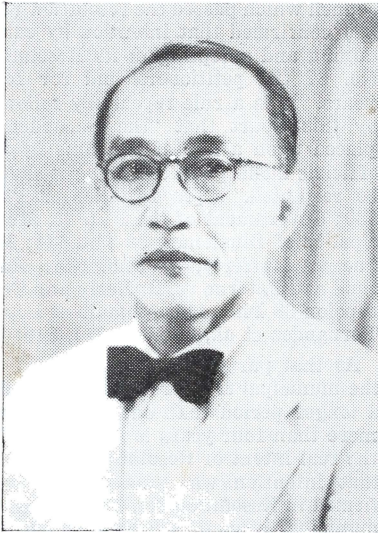


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ROMAN L. PEREZ

Mayor of Batangas, Batangas

Personal Circumstances. — Born on November 18, 1894, in Batangas, Batangas; and married to Manuela Villena with whom he has four children.

Education and Profession.—Batangas High School graduate. 1918, and a businessman.

Experience and Activities.—Municipal Councilor for 12 years; Chairman, Batangas Peace Committee immediately after Japanese occupation; appointed Mayor during the Republic of the Philippines under the Japanese regime; reappointed Mayor by the late President Roxas on July 1, 1946; and elected to the same position on November 11, 1947. He was a Major in a guerilla force during the Japanese occupation. Elected Worshipful Master Batangas Lodge



BONIFACIO C. GAITAN

Municipal Treasurer

Personal Circumstances.—Born on May 7, 1910, in Botong, Oton, Iloilo, and married to Clauriana Alcala of La Paz, Iloilo City, with whom he has three children.

Schools attended.—Iloilo High School, Iloilo Normal School and Iloilo Accounting School.

Positions held.—Classroom teacher in Dueñas, Iloilo; bookkeeper in Sara; Chief clerk in Maasin, Alimodian, Igaras, Dumangas, Janiuay and municipal treasurer of San Doinisio, and Concepcion.

Hobby.—Collecting best-seller novels.

Motto.—“Honesty is the best policy.”

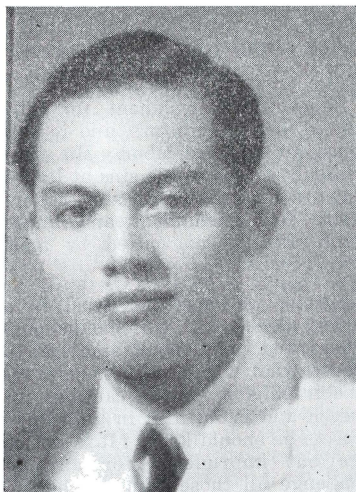
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Hobbies.—Reading and playing golf.

Motto.—“Never boast of tomorrow for thou knowest not what is yet to come.”

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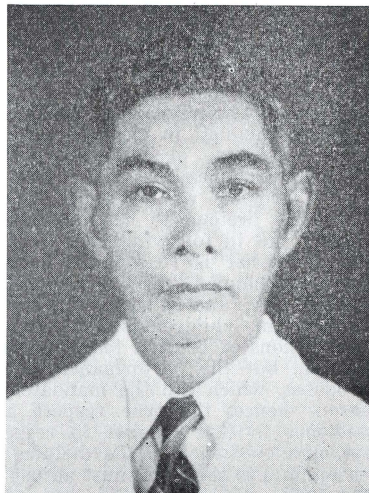
PEDRO BELDEROL

Mayor of Tagbilaran, Bohol

Personal Circumstances.—Born in Tagbilaran on May 13, 1913 and married to Felicitas Butalid with whom he has three children.

Schools attended.—Bohol High School, 1933; Union College of Manila, A. A., 1937; and Philippine Law School, L.L.B., 1946.

Experience and accomplishments.—Elected president of different class organizations from primary to high school—President of the Mansasa Primary Graduating Class and Tagbilaran High School Student's Council; Vice-President of the Junior Class; and Member, Board of Directors of the Bohol High School Graduating Class. President of his class in the Union College of Manila and outstanding member of College's Student Council. Represented the Union College of Manila in an Inter-University Debate and an orator in an annual contest of



DAMASO V. ABELEDA

Mayor of Paluan, Mindoro

Personal Circumstances.—Born in Paluan, Mindoro, on December 11, 1893, and married to Rosa Mendoza with whom he has eight children.

Schools attended.—Paluan Elementary School and Liceo de Manila.

Experience and activities.—Continuously occupied the position of Mayor Paluan since his election thereto in 1941. His avocation is cattle-raising. Owns six hundred heads of cattle in three municipalities of Mindoro.

Hobby.—Reading.

Motto.—"When the spirit is determined and yields not to discouragement it can accomplish its purpose."

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the Philippine Law School. Elected president of the Bohol Barristers League and president of the Bohol Association for six years.