MINDANAO MINING COMPANY

Operations are progressing satisfactorily, and the October production of P18,674.00 was the highest so far accomplished. The area dredged in recent months is in the upper section of the claims and the size of the boulders encountered made digging unusually difficult. The dredge and dragline are now working in easier ground which should result in increased yardage handled.

Several improvements have been effected in the dumping hopper and tailings stacker which will give greater capacity and facilitate operations considerably. The R.D.8 tractor recently purchased is being used for stripping the areas ahead of dredging, thereby allowing the dragline almost continuous operation on pay gravel.

Frank Dale, superintendent, has an excellent record in dragline operations in the United States and is being assisted by experienced operators, so that with the changes in dredge design and correction of mechanical difficulties which have been experienced in the

PHILIPPINE SMELTING COMPANY

The Cottrell plant went into operation on the 15th of October and is operating satisfactorily. A few adjustments and alterations are necessary to suit the local conditions and this plant will no doubt decrease the dust losses by better than 90%.

The blast furnace was down the first seven days of the month as everything on hand had been cleaned up. This time was utilized in making repairs and cleaning flues.

1684.16 tons of material was smelted, of which 1119.64 tons were concentrates.

54.718 tons of smelter products were shipped to the refinery which contained 5980.2 ozs. Au, 10,554 ozs. Ag., and 45,613 lbs. Cu.

The ratio of concentration was 20.5 tons of concentrates to 1 ton of smelter products. This is the best figure obtained to date.

past, it is indicated that improved production can be anticipated.

