



February 3.

THE yearly registration of bicycles on or before February 15 is required by a city ordinance promulgated by the Mayor of Manila.—Enemy aliens must wear red arm bands on the street.—The ration ticket system has been adopted for the distribution of soap and lard to the public.

February 5. The Federation of Filipino Retailers of Manila took over the distribution of sugar at the controlled price.

February 6. The Philippine Sugar Association held its inaugural meeting at the Manila Hotel.

February 7. Chairman Jorge B. Vargas of the Executive Commission issued Proclamation No. 8 requiring provisionally released prisoners to register at the City Hall in order that their status be changed to that of regularly released prisoners.

February 8. A parade and program were held at the New Luneta in public demonstration of gratitude to Japan for pledging Philippine independence in the shortest possible time.

February 11. Japanese and Filipinos joined in celebrating Kigen Setu or "Foundation Day", one of Japan's greatest festivals. A program was held at the New Luneta this morning. Fifty military prisoners were set free in honor of the occasion.

February 12. The Philippine Cotton Growing Association was organized.—One hundred twenty-nine more released war prisoners arrived in Manila.

February 13. Officers of the medical staff of the Imperial Japanese Army in the Philippines visited the City Hall. They were conducted by the City officials on an inspection tour of the health facilities of Manila.

February 14. "The Nippongo Weekly" came off the press for the first time.

February 16. Chairman Jorge B. Vargas released funds for one hundred and fifty more public elementary schools.

February 17. The Mayor signed an ordinance requiring tenants of houses, apartments or lots to register their rentals at their respective district offices.

February 20. A 5-year plan for the increased production of castor beans was promulgated by the Japanese Military Administration.

February 21. The Manila Horse-Drawn Vehicles Association held their first rig show at the New Luneta.

February 22. A convention of provincial governors, city mayors and senior constabulary inspectors opened today at the senate session hall of the legislative building. It was called by Commissioner of the Interior Jose P. Laurel.

February 23. The Director-General of the Japanese Military Administration addressed the convention of provincial governors, city mayors and constabulary senior inspectors. He called on them to collaborate for the speedy realization of Philippine independence.

February 24. The Federation of Filipino Retailers began the distribution of laundry soap and lard.

February 25. Colonel Jiro Saito assumed the post of Chief of the Department of Information of the Japanese Army Forces in the Philippines.—Enemy aliens were reminded that they must obtain permission from the Office of the Internment Camp before applying for work or working in any office.

February 26. A manifesto on Philippine independence was signed at Malacañan this afternoon as a closing act of the convention of governors, city mayors and senior constabulary inspectors in Luzon.

February 27. The Japanese Military Administration announced to Indian residents in the Philippines that upon full collaboration with Japan they may be exempted from the application of the enemy property control law and the enemy fund freezing decree.

February 28. Manila residents are told to cut down on their gas consumption.