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# Felipe Protests NAMARCO Transfer

## Edu Smells Rat in LTC Collections He Orders To Audit Agencies

Acting Land Transportation Commissioner Romeo F. Edu ordered yesterday the audit of collections by LTC agencies which have not yet been deposited with the National Treasurer in an aggregate amount of P1 million.

The LTC commissioner said that the unaudited collections which the National Treasurer through local depositories like the Philippine National Bank for an unreasonable length of time can be the subject of certain anomalies. Edu also issued a warning to collection officers, under pain of administrative and criminal penalties to submit to the head office in Quezon City the reports or abstracts of collections in support of deposits made with the National Treasurer amounting to P3 million. LTC internal auditors "smell a (Continued on page 6)

## Old RCA Retailers May Register Again

In view of the immediate necessity for distribution of RCA rice, Director E. V. Mendoza has written to RCA Manager Osmando Mondredo that for purposes of ap-

may use the 1964 RICOB list of registered retailers.

In 1964 the amendment to the RCA Law provides that only RICOB registered retailers shall distribute RCA rice but in places where there are no registered RICOB retailers, the RCA can appoint the barrio councils. For this purpose, the RICOB has registered 25,000 copies of these names have been submitted to the RCA. This fast work and coordination by the RCA and RICOB led a smooth and fast distribution of RCA rice in 1964, avoiding the "pila" system.

Under the new RCA Law, it is provided that only RICOB licensed retailers shall be considered as RCA distributors. In spite of this new amendment of the RCA Law, (Continued on page 6)

## PNB Athletic Ass'n. Holds Meet, Reception & Ball

The Philippine National Bank Athletic Association (Philnabank) of the annual meet, reception and ball today PNB branches in Bicol are having their teams for the different tournaments like softball, basketball, swimming, etc.

The Naga City PNB branch is the host to the other Bicol branches. A night in the ball will be held at the Naga City PNB branch.

## "The Star Witness"

by Elix Abejero

### Those Unhappy Situations

Our witness confessed that he was unduly embarrassed during the commencement program at the Naga Central School when he found himself seated in a place intended for the members of the faculty. There seems nothing wrong with it, until the arrival of the teachers who easily outnumbered the seats. At least a dozen of them, all ladies, including one American, a Peace Corps vo- (Continued on page 3-E)

## Land Reform Information Drive In Full Swing In The Bicol Region

Since March 1966, the Land Reform Information Drive has been in full swing in the provinces of Albay and Camarines Sur, where two Land Reform Information Teams were added. The first team based in Albay is composed of Atty. Alfredo Abundo, of ACA, Atty. Jose Oca, of the Department of Agrarian Reform, and Atty. Solares of APC and Claudio Abriol of LRA, the second team headed by Cam. Sur is composed of Atty. Concepcion Noble of OTAC, Miss Teresita Almendra of APC, Adriel Palma of ACA and Paulino Iligan of LRA.

The team in Albay has already covered the barrios of Libon and part of Polangui while the team in Camarines Sur has already covered Pili and part of Bula. In the coming days, the teams will reach other areas. The information drive is being conducted in cooperation with the farmers in each barrio of the municipality concerned.

The teams have discovered that the farmers are very enthusiastic in the information drive. The information they received about Land Reform. They have shown keen interest in its implementation. In order to speed up the information drive, many farmers are going to volunteer leasehold. Several days after the information drive, the farmers of said areas have sought assistance of the Office of the Agrarian Counsel in shifting to voluntary leasehold. (Continued on page 4-F)

## Sen. Aytona Dismisses Castillo's Charges

LEGAZPI CITY — The local spokesman of Senator Dominador R. Aytona yesterday declared that the Albay lawmaker belittled the charge of Central Bank Governor Andres V. Castillo that Aytona was resorting to vindictiveness in the current probe of CB irregularities.

The local spokesman of the Bicol solon quoted Aytona as saying that "if to expose irregularities, particularly of the magnitude of those committed by CB

in the current investigation of CB operations by the banks and franchise (Continued on page 4-E)

## So the People May Know . . .

BY KA BERTO

## New Strains Replace Susceptible Tjere Mas

Tjere mas, a rice variety grown by farmers in Camarines Sur and other places in the country is easily attacked by rice blast. The disease destroys the leaves, flowers, panicles and grains of the plant. Furthermore, it damages the crop from seedling to maturity stage. In serious cases, the infected plants either die or produce very low yields.

However, Dr. Pedro B. Espezialist of U.P. College of Agriculture, and his co-workers found four resistant strains of Tjere mas to replace the susceptible variety. These are at present being grown at the College's experimental farm for seed multiplication.

The four resistant strains of Tjere mas were selected from 500 blast resistant lines from the International Rice Research Institute at Los Baños. These are lines No. 61; 71; 80 and 254

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## NAMARCO Regional Manager Turns Down Petition Of Old Distributors

Atty. Jacobo Briones, regional manager of the NAMARCO in Bicol with an office in Naga City, turned down the petition of the Old Nammarco retailers and distributors of Legazpi City to stop appointing additional distributors and retailers of NAMARCO goods. The petitioners alleged that the old distributors and retailers of Nammarco goods in Legazpi are already sufficient in number without authorizing ad- (Cont'd. on page 4-F)

## Rep. Felipe Jr. Strongly Protests Projected Transfer Of NAMARCO Regional Office To Legazpi City

Immediately after learning that there is a plan to transfer the regional office of the National Marketing Corporation of the government in Naga City to the City of Legazpi, Congressman Ramon H. Felipe, Jr. of the first district of Camarines Sur made his strong protest of the projected transfer to NAMARCO General Manager Jovenal Almendras. Felipe reasoned out that Naga City is bigger than Legazpi and is the commercial and trade center of the Bicol region.

Following is the telegram of Congressman Felipe to Manager Almendras last Thursday, May 12: "My constituents in First District Camarines Sur Naga City and I am protesting vigorously against transfer your regional office from Naga to Legazpi City. Naga City bigger than Legazpi and is commercial and trade center in Bicol Region. Please reconsider projected transfer. Regards Thanks,

"Congressman Ramon Felipe" Last April 28, Congressman Felipe, also sent a telegram to President Ferdinand E. Marcos reporting the alleged rampant cattle rustling in the first district of Cam, Sur particularly in towns of Sipocot Lupi, Ragay and Del Gallego. The solon requested the President to instruct the PC here to conduct an intensive campaign against cattle rustlers. Felipe's telegram to President Marcos was as follows: "President Ferdinand Marcos Malacañang "Rampant cattle rustling in (Continued on page 4-F)

## Naga Police Summer Athletic League Opens

The Naga Police 1966 Summer Athletic League in basketball will have the opening ceremonies tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock at the PNB Quadrangle near Plaza Rizal, here. The series of basketball games will run up to June 22, 1966.

There are 18 teams participating: 7 teams in the senior group; 8 teams in the junior division; 9 in the midgets and 4 intergovernment offices.

Tomorrow's opening program is as follows: National Anthem; invocation by Rt. Rev. Msgr. Nicanor C. Belleza of Caceres; opening remarks by Councilor E. General; musical number by rondallas; short talk by City Mayor V. Sibulo; musical number; closing remarks by Chief of Police. Maj. Elias Pama; raising of team colors; oath amateurism. Det. Elias Compueto, master of ceremonies. Exhibition games will be played after the program:

## Labayo's Story Arouses Inquiry From T.T.A. Prexy

May 9, 1966

Dear Mr. Editor, Thank you for your story in your April 23 issue about alleged anomalies in the construction of tourism projects in Sorsogon and Gubat, according to Mr. Ramon Labayo, BTTI Regional Coordinator. May we inquire from Mr. Labayo the following:

1. All throughout the construction of the bathouse in Rizal Beach, Gubat and the resthouse in B.
2. The Rizal Beach bathhouse is in Gubat. The mayor there is Mr. Labayo's brother-in-law. During the construction period, what was Mr. Labayo doing? Where was he? Mr. Labayo (from Gubat)
3. The Bulusa Lake resthouse was designed and its construction supervised by an architect-engineer of the Board of Tourism and Travel Industry, Mr. Rene Asuncion. While Mr. Asuncion was there (Continued on page 4-F)

## CSHS Team Runner-up In Shell Traffic Game National Finals

The Naga City, represented by the Cam Sur High School team was adjudged runner-up in the Second National Finals of the SHELL TRAFFIC GAME which was held at F. Gomez Elementary School in Manila during the celebration of the Traffic Safety (Cont. on page 4-F)

## PARTIAL REVIEW

by Andres G. Diez

## India's Nationalism Crashes

India, which has a population of over 450,000,000 people is now facing the frightening specter of mass starvation. In Bihar, India, food shortage is worsened by drought. Men and women by the thousands have to walk miles to fetch their drinking water.

(Continued on page 2)

Stable Peace in Southeast Asia Continues U. S. Goal

NAMARCO... Important to...

d tional new retailers and distributors.

Atty. Briones said that, that is against the policy of the new administration that of having more distributor and retailer of Namareo goods for the benefit of the masses who want to avail of the lower cost of Namareo goods.

Briones opined that as long as a would be distributor or retailer complies with the requirements of the new Namareo rules and regulations, he would be named as distributor or retailer of Namareo.

He also said that for the present the sales of Namareo goods in the Bicol region is bigger than that of Cebu. He bared that the weekly sales here is between P50, 000 and P100,000. He added, that a Namareo distributor

great numbers of 'bot' cars still "on the loose" and the illegal use of motor vehicles for purposes other than what they were registered for. Edu said, require a more intensified inspection of registration certificates.

Edu said that he had circularized all LTC registrars and other officials to effect enforcement of the law requiring registration certificates to be carried at all times in the nearly 400,000 motor vehicles all over the country.

who buy goods from the Namareo bodega here is given the privilege to open the boxes or crates to find out if the goods are as declared in the invoice. This is done to avoid a complaint later that the articles have been changed with old or different stock.

Topics discussed in the information drive are: 1. Legal aspect particularly the shift to voluntary leasehold and the fixing of rentals 2. credit assistance under the Land Reform Code 3. Extension assistance, including farm management, home management, youth clubs, and 4-II, activities, and 4 land acquisition and operations of the Land Authority and Land Bank. It would now appear that the Land Reform Code is being implemented in the Bicol Region thru Voluntary leasehold operations. (Reported by Atty. Salvador Pico Chairman - Director, Regional Land Reform Committee)

Labayo's story...

practically every day supervising the construction, where was Mr. Labayo?

4. Mr. Labayo's father (former Finance Undersecretary Jorge Labayo) was then member of the BTTI board. Why was Ramon (a BTTI Regional Coordinator) purposely bypassed by BTTI in all construction and development projects in Bicolandia?

5. Mr. Labayo belittled the resthouse in Buluan Lake. Why does he not compare the P40,000 spent for that project with other constructions of the BTTI in other provinces. Let him go abroad and compare accom plishments. Engineer Acunon, who is also from Sorsogon, takes high pride in his first project in his home province. Why does Mr. Labayo not bring an engineer to evaluate the project.

6. What tangible contribution has Mr. Labayo done to develop tourism in Bicolandia?

Very truly yours, JOSE D. DESTURA President, Sorsogon Tourist & Travel Assn.

CSHS Team

Week on May 1-8, 1966. The CSHS team, composed of ten students and one coach competed with eight other teams representing Legazpi, Davao, Lucena, Cebu, Dumaguete Cities and two teams representing Greater Manila.

A trophy was awarded to the team plus certificates and other gifts during the closing ceremonies last May 8 with Col. Querubin Mabugat, chief, Trafton, PC, as guest speaker Benjamin Ojeda, Director and Trade Relations Manager of Shell Refining Company gave the closing remarks.

LEGAL NOTICE

Pursuant to Sec. 1, Rule 74 of the Rules of Court, notice is hereby given that an extrajudicial settlement of the intestate estate of the late Victorio Abresinos who died on November 7, 1960 in Tinambac, Cam. Sur, was executed among his heirs: namely, his widow, Luisa Bariso and his children, Publia, Juanita, Antonia, Cesario, Gomer, Mamerta, Maria, Villa, Daniel and Job, all surnamed Abresinos, to the effect that all the above-named children renounced their shares, claims, interests and participations, respectively, in the real property covered by OCT No. 1741-Cam. Sur, under Tax No. 6269 located in Tinambac, C.S., in favor of their mother, Luisa Bariso.

The instrument was acknowledged before Notary Public Tomas Salcedo in Tinambac, C.S. on May 11, 1966 as per Doc No. 251-1966 as per Doc No. 251-1966 as per Doc No. 251-1966 Page 52, Book 11, S. 1966

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UNITED NATIONS—"The essence of United States policy in Southeast Asia... is the restoration of peace and stability in that area," U.S. Ambassador Arthur Goldberg says.

"At the request of the countries concerned," he said in a message to Secretary General U Thant, made public April 14, "the United States has undertaken to furnish assistance which may be necessary to repel aggression and to preserve the principle that all peoples should have the right to choose their own future free from armed coercion and terrorism. Only if this principle is upheld will conditions be created in which the peoples of Southeast Asia can prosper and develop as they themselves wish."

Mr. Goldberg's letter added: "The United States has been... and will continue to be... a strong supporter of the efforts both in and outside the United Nations to

establish these conditions of peace and ability and to encourage economic and social program which benefit all the peoples of Southeast Asia."

The Ambassador coupled his statement of U.S. objectives with a categorical denial of Cambodian allegations of U.S. "complicity" in recurring incidents along the border between Cambodia and Thailand. The denial referred to general Cambodian charges and specifically accusations made last March 8 and March 9 that the U.S. was aiding the so-called Khmer Serei in alleged attacks against Cambodia. Charges and counter-charges about border violations have been exchanged at the U.N. between the Cambodian and Thai representatives for many months.

Mr. Goldberg's letter stated that "the United States government furnishes no support or assistance whatsoever to the so-called Khmer Serei."

The Case of the Baby Girl With the External Brain

By: RAMON AG. MEDINA, Member Masbate Press & Radio Club Masbate, Masbate

Recently exactly 5 A.M. at 107 Quezon St., in the capital town of this "oatle and copra" province a queer-looking baby girl was born to Casiano Verano, 49, a Bureau of Telecom. engineer and Anita Lopez, 40, all normal and healthy-looking residents hereat. The abnormal child; the eleventh in the family, lived for only 4 days and 1 hour for at 6 P.M. thereafter she died. The attending midwife during delivery is Mrs. Elissa Coma-Tiwan of the local puericulture center and the attending priest during death and burial is Fr. Pio Camposano of the local parish. The cause of the child's death can be attributed to the fact that no human being hitherto, as far as science is concerned, can live with its brain unenclosed and exposed. Baby Jessa Verano, was indeed a rarity and in the language of zoologists, she is what can be aptly called a "human freak". She was like any normal child except for one reason: she was born with her cerebellum and cerebrum outside the head, or precisely outside of the cranium. In other words, the brain was practically out and for that matter anybody can actually touch and feel it to be the real thing, wet substances.

According to Anita Verano

The CSHS team that represented Naga City was the team that won the championship during the contest held in this city last November 15-20. This team was the best among the 46 teams that participated in the contest held here.

The members of this team are Wilfredo Basual, Cesar Hidalgo, Shulan Primavera, Luisito Bababayo, Danilo Caidmag, Benjamin Jardinal, Meville Gonzales, Delia Bustamente, Nelly Mata and Geovannie Torres. The coach is Quintia E. Catura, member of the CSHS faculty. The sponsor of this team is the ALAYOO transportation company. Sgt. Vicente Santiago of the City Police Department (Traffic Division) also helped in giving instructions to the team.—QEC.

the child's buxom mother she gave birth to that "odd and queer-looking child" not because of any abominable characteristic handed down to her husband or to herself from the past. Neither can it be said that the child inherited from its parents the abnormality for the latter are typically healthy and normal Filipinos. However, she is very vocal in her belief that more or less the case can be directly attributed to her intense liking for "GOO", hero of Mare Ravelo's Tagalog novel serialised in the local comics magazines. From the time she was conceiving up to the moment immediately prior to delivery she had been both an avid reader and admirer of Ravelo's 'bida' portrayed as one with enormous supply of the brain stuff. Ravelo, as well as the child's mother did not, by way scratch of the imagination, surmise that in reality there can be born in this country, one in a million, a child conceived and patterned to such a literary creation. And it is indeed a persistent superstitious belief among our local inhabitants that a woman in the family way may give birth to a child more or less exactly the same as the thing, object, or person she likes or dislikes while on the stage of conception; Men of science especially psychologists, give credence to this fact. And now the case of Baby Jessa Verano can be a remarkable example.

Rep. Felipe

First District Camarines Sur causing untold suffering to farmers who depend on araboas for farming. Please instruct PC to conduct intensive campaign against rustlers in the province of Iliomanian, Sipocot, Luni, Ragay, and Del Gallego, regards and thanks, "Congressman Ramon Felipe, Jr." Acting as the Chairman of Felipe to President Marcos in Malacañang. Executive Secretary Rafael Salas last May 4, sent to Felipe the following telegram: "congressman Ramon Felipe Jr, Congress Manila." Reurs twenty eight, ultimo. Chief of Constabulary directed to investigate matter immediately take appropriate action and submit his report at end. Secretary Salas."

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