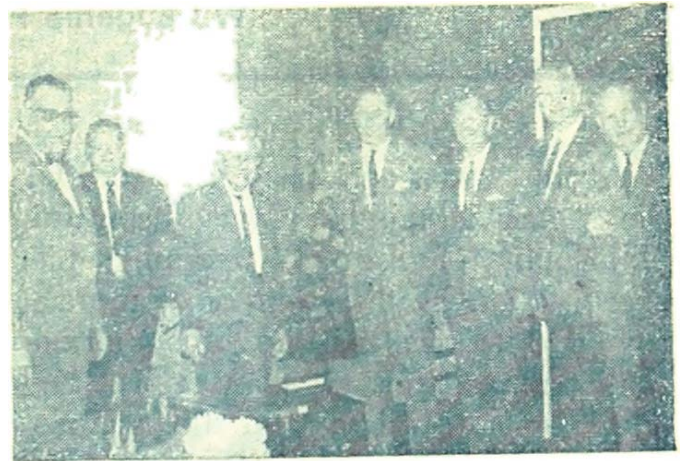


Grand Master to Shriners:

The Shrine Ceremonial for the year 1968, having been conducted so expertly, solemnly, and so impressively by Ill. Noble C. Noel Caldwell and his Super-Divau of the Nile Temple of Seattle, Washington, and now being concluded amidst the traditional glitter and pomp, always a part of Shrine activities, has been a successful reaffirmation of the indisputable fact that Masonry wherever it is in action on this planet, can and does stir the soul and the spirit to greater and greater heights in its avowed purpose to improve the lot of man, morally primarily, and in the case here of Shrinedom, also physically through its celebrated program of crippled and burned childrens' cure, rehabilitation and reorientation.

I must state here, however, that no matter how brilliantly the jewels on the hundreds of fezzes displayed here tonight may shine, they are but a mere glimmer when compared to the beauty and ethereal luminescence pervading this hall through the very presence of our ladies, whom we love and revere, and to whom we freely attribute the inspiration that drives us relentlessly to greater achievements.

We have good reason to believe that our Jurisdiction, that of the Grand Lodge of the Philippines, is rapidly showing the signs of awakening, very like the first stirring of a sleeping giant. For quite a number of years our Masonic position has remained stable, not sliding by any means, but not gaining, perceptively, in number. But these static years were put to gainful use in that, through the foresight of successive Grand Masters of this period, a stronger foundation has been built, better legislation promulgated, and in some cases necessary restrictions im-



MW Schon receiving Potentate Noel Caldwell, Nile Temple, and Divau, who were in Manila recently.

posed on our Master Masons to constantly and permanently improve the quality of the Masons of our Jurisdiction. I feel that we have made significant strides in this direction, and the greater our success here, the finer the resultant product when accepted into the sphere of Scottish and finally into the realm of the Shrine.

I am serenely confident that in short order, the Philippines will stand out before the Masonic world as an enviable beacon, taking the lead in solving modern-day problems which are the bane of many Masonic Jurisdictions. We feel today that Masonry here is only beginning, champing at the bit, as it were; and when our energies are properly channelled and finally released and their impact felt — and this in the very near future — we will know that we will have succeeded in the basic virile development of a better and stronger society.

May I take this opportunity now to congratulate our newly-made Nobles and urge them to always remember that dignity goes hand-in-hand with nobility I know they will

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Mt. Apo 46	Zamboanga City	— 3rd Saturday
Bud Daho 102	Jolo, Sulu	— 3rd Saturday
Juan S. Alano 137	Basilan City	— 2nd Saturday

DISTRICT NO. 20 — G U A M

Charleston 44	Agana, Guam	-- 1st Monday
Milton C. Marvin 125	Agana, Guam	-- 4th Saturday

DISTRICT NO. 21 — MARIANAS-MARSHALL ISLANDS

Micronesia 173	Saipan, Marianas Is.	— 1st Thursday
Emon 179	Kwajalein, Marshall Is.	— 3rd Monday

DISTRICT NO. 22 — JAPAN-KOREA

Kanto 143	Tokyo, Japan	— 1st Wednesday
Rising Sun 151	Camp Zama, Japan	— 1st Thursday
MacArthur 183	Seoul, Korea	— 1st Friday
Morning Calm U.D.	Taegu, Korea	— 1st Tuesday
Saigon U.D.	Saigon, Viet Nam	— 1st Wednesday

DISTRICT NO. 23 — ISABELA

Isabela 60	Iligan, Isabela	— 1st Saturday
Cagayan Valley 133	Santiago, Isabela	— 2nd Saturday
Cauayan 180	Cauayan, Isabela	— 3rd Saturday
Mallig Plains U.D.	Roxas, Isabela	— 2nd Friday

DISTRICT NO. 24 — PANGASINAN

Pangasinan 56	Dagupan City	— 2nd Saturday
Agno 75	Tayug, Pangasinan	— 3rd Saturday
Dagupan City 158	Tupac Dist., Dagupan	— 1st Wednesday
Lingayen 161	Lingayen, Pangasinan	— 1st Saturday
Don Daniel Maramba U.D.	Villasis, Pangasinan	— 1st Saturday

DISTRICT NO. 25 — LANAOS-MISAMIS OCCIDENTAL-ZAMBOANGA

Maranaw 111	Iligan City	-- 2nd Saturday
Mt. Malindang 130	Ozamis City	— 1st Saturday
Don Juan S. Alano Memo. 153 ..	Pagadian, Zamboanga del Sur	— 4th Saturday
Oroquieta 154	Oroquieta, Misamis Occ.	— 4th Saturday
Dipolog 162	Dipolog, Zamboanga del Norte	— 3rd Saturday

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lend their enormous strength to build our buildings more securely and put the temples they build to the ennobling purposes in which they were conceived.

May I say Godspeed to the Ill. Potentate, his Divan and their ladies,

and sincerely hope that, in their short sojourn with us, they may have found some measure of inspiration that may lead them to greater achievements. And to our visitors from overseas, may the spirit of the Philippines always remain in your hearts.

JOSEPH E. SCHON
Grand Master △