

GRAVEL AND SAND

A Report on Masonic Activities

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CALIFORNIA MASON'S LONG RECORD OF SERVICE...

Brother Frederick C. Clark, 32°, of Alameda, California, was installed on December 9, 1967, for the 60th time as Secretary of Fruitvale Lodge No. 336, F & A M, in Oakland, California. From May 20, 1907, to December 19, 1908, he had already served as Treasurer of the Lodge.

Although born in Gilmore, Pennsylvania, Brother Clark went to California early in life and became a successful banker in the employ of San Francisco's First National Bank branch in Oakdale. He's been interested in community affairs all his life and achieved local fame as a championship tennis player.

Initiated in Fruitvale Lodge on February 3, 1906, and passed March 25, his raising that year was delayed a couple of months until May 12, 1906, because of the famous San Francisco earthquake and fire. In the following year he began his long and faithful service to his Lodge. In 1956, his close friend, California's Past Grand Master Edward H. Siems, 33°, now Grand Secretary, presented him his 50-Year Membership Button. Last December Most Worshipful Siems was delighted to install Brother Clark for his 60th successive term as Secretary of Fruitvale Lodge No. 336.

Brother Clark is a member of Oakland, California, Scottish Rite Bodies.

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SAMPAGUITA'S TENTH . . .

In spite of heavy rains and frequent brown-outs we are happy to report that our 10th Anniversary celebration on June 29, 1968 was well attended although we expected a bigger attendance. We were greatly honored by the presence of Sister Alice Bellis, Deputy for the Most Worthy Grand Matron of the General Grand Chapter; Sister Ethel Mosebrook, WM of Mayon Chapter #1; and Bro. Ed Bellis, PP of Mayon Chapter #1, OES. We were also honored by the presence of quite a delegation from Trece Martires Chapter #6, OES, from Cavite City — Sis. Cloe S. Alvarez, WM; Sisters Daria G. Rosell, PM; Eden del Rosario, PM; Minerva Perez, Esther Jose, Lilia V. Argota, Socorro G. Daluz, Evangelina Medina, Raymundo C. Garcia, P. Alvarez, Jovita A. Vega, Lydia Soriano and Bro. H. O. Vega. From Kalaw Chapter No. 9, OES, we had Sis. Virgie Domingo and Brothers Domingo Domingo and Cesar Bautista. After the meeting everybody proceeded to the Social Hall where dinner was served after which a short program was presented. The opening remarks were given by Sis. Alice Bellis. Then a brief history of Sampaguita Chapter was given by Bro. Benito P. Maneze and a minute of silent prayer was called for our departed sisters and brothers. We were then favored with a number by Nora Florendo, younger sister of our Asso. Matron, who sang Pakiusap and Jurame. Then we had games partici-

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pated in by a number of sisters and brothers. The evening ended with the chain of friendship and the singing of Auld Lang Syne.

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Our congratulations to WB Domingo, Past Patron and now Secretary of T. M. Kalaw Chapter No. 9, OES who was elected to receive the Grand Cross of Colors of the Order of Rainbow for Girls for his effective and efficient services to Assembly No. 1 in Manila. Also elected to receive the same honor is Sis. Gracia Melocoton Elefaño, a senior Rainbow, member of the Guardian Council of Bethel No. 2, IOJD, and of the Advisory Board of Assembly No. 1, Order of Rainbow.

Congratulations also to WB Bayani Salcedo PM, (18) and Past Patron of T. M. Kalaw Chapter No. 9, OES, and his better half, Sis. Ascencion T. Salcedo, Worthy Matron of T. M. Kalaw Chapter No. 9, OES, who left for the United States as immigrants. They expect to settle there permanently.

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Sampaguita Chapter No. 3, OES, will hold a thanksgiving Dinner in November, partly to raise funds for its charity program and partly to afford its members and others of the Order a time of fellowship. They have invited Senator Jovito Salonga to be the guest speaker in the program that will follow the dinner.

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Our congratulations also go to WB Jose T. Enriquez, PM (4) Acting Director of the Bureau of Public Schools, who has been chosen to head the Track & Field delegation to the Mexico Olympiad. WB Enriquez is a ranking officer of PATAFA, and has been authorized, in addition to heading the delegation, to attend conferences of Track

and Field athletic associations meeting in Europe and America.

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Our congratulations to three brethren who have been appointed to or promoted in the Judiciary. MW Macario M. Ofilada, PGM, formerly Judge of the Court of First Instance in Bangued, Abra, was promoted to Pangasinan with sala in San Carlos City. VW Noli Ma. Cortes, former Grand Lodge Orator, was named and confirmed Judge of the Court of First Instance in Antique with sala in San Jose. Bro. Onofre Villaluz, a member of Island-Luz-Minerva Lodge No. 5, formerly a Judge of the Court of Agrarian Relations, has been promoted and confirmed Circuit Judge in the province of Pampanga.

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WB Mariano C. Lucero, PM, who represented the Philippines at the Photogrammetry conference in Lausanne, Switzerland in July and together with Sis. Lucero, a member of Rosario Villaruel Chapter No 2, OES, went around the world, returned on September 4, 1968, after what both of them term an enjoyable tour visiting places and cities of cultural and historical significance. Their children, relatives, friends and employees held a bienvenida party for their safe home-coming on September 8 in Meycauayan, Bulacan.

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Sis. Agnes Schoening, widow of our late WB Walter Schoening, 33^o, who together with her husband has been a great help in organizing chapters of the Eastern Star in the Philippines, visited Manila on the way back to her home in California. Sis. Schoening had been Past Matron and Secretary of Mayon Chapter No. 1, OES, for many years and served several times as Special Deputy of the Most Worthy Grand Matron of

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Eastern Star International. While in Manila, she visited friends and attended Eastern Star meetings. Sis. Schoening was on a visit to her folks in Sydney, Australia and instead of returning home the same way she got to Australia, she decided to make a swing through Manila, Hong Kong and Tokyo.

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Sampaguita Chapter No. 3, O.E.S. held its fellowship and fund-raising project at the home of WB & Sis. Jose Calderon at 55 J. Abad Santos St., Heroes Hill, Quezon City, on Sept. 15 in the afternoon. Members of the Order from greater Manila chapters were invited and they all had fun and fellowship the whole afternoon. In addition, Sampaguita Chapter raised a fair sum for its charity program this year.

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FELIX CABURIAN

Cagayan de Oro City

1. School and Office Supplies
2. Sporting Goods
3. Office Equipment:
 - a — Remington Typewriters
 - b — Filing Cabinets
 - c — Storage Cabinets
 - d — Safes

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pineli, Ronnie Galinawan, Leo de Guzman, PMC, and Francis Pascual.

Chosen to give inspiration to the officers and members of the chapter are: Flordelis Mendoza, Chapter Sweetheart; Vicky Trinidad, Sponsor of the East; Amelia Tabing, Sponsor of the West and Zeny Trojillo, Sponsor of the South.

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Maritess Calderon did well for herself and her family, especially her parents, WB & Sis. Jose Calderon. In Chicago, Illinois, at Northwestern University, where she is a student. 15-year-old Maritess, became a celebrity overnight. Under the tutorship of her professor, Dr. Florence Schale, she read 52,000 words per minute with a comprehension of 100% as compared to the 300-word speed and 60% comprehension average for college students.

Maritess is a sister of Dr. Lydia Calderon. PWA. Perla Assembly. ORG. △

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Mayon Chapter No. 1, OES, held its annual Friendship Night on September 23, 1968 at the Scottish Rite Temple, 1828 Taft Ave., at 6:30 PM. Members of the Order from Cavite, Olongapo, Clark Field, San Juan and the two other chapters in Manila were invited and attended the affair. They had fun singing secular songs and taking part in parlor games after a sumptuous meal. The stated meeting which preceded the social hour was one of the biggest-attended in years, with so many standing up when the names of the various chapters were called. Every member of the Order who attended the meeting went home with a lovely and useful souvenir of the meeting they will long remember. △

CAVITE LODGE NO. 2 SPONSORS ORATORICAL CONTEST

Hand in hand with its project of improving and beautifying the Rizal monument and its immediate surroundings on the public plaza, Cavite Lodge No. 2, F & AM, also launched an oratorical contest among the students of the public and private high schools in the province of Cavite, with prizes totalling ₱1,000.00 at stake. Both projects were conceived by the young, able and energetic Worshipful Master of the Lodge.

WB Dominador Herrera, Master of the Lodge, announced the topic of the Contest as: "WHAT OUR YOUTH OUGHT TO DO TO IMPLEMENT AND PERPETUATE RIZAL'S IDEALS". The rules governing the contest are:

1. The pieces should embody the positive aspects of the life and labors of Dr. Jose Rizal;
2. Contestants should refrain from embodying in their orations matters and issues controversial in nature.
3. Contestants shall limit their orations to not more than 30 minutes in delivery;
4. A copy of the pieces shall be submitted to the Committee on Education and Public Service of this Lodge on a date to be set by the Committee.

The following prizes will be awarded to the winners of the contest: First Prize — ₱500.00; Second Prize — ₱300.00 and Third Prize — ₱200.00. Appropriate medals will also be awarded to the winners.

Judges for this Contest will be composed of competent persons to be announced later.

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