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# Ano ta Ginadan Si Gob. ALBERTO?

## Ojeda, Villafuerte Belie Visual Progress in Naga City under LP

Ex-Mayor Victorino L. Ojeda and former Vice-Mayor Mariano R. Villafuerte Jr. yesterday rallied all city Nacionalistas to unite in a common effort for a political crusade that will eventually bring them back to power after the November polls.

Ojeda and Villafuerte headed the political combine that gave local NPs political control over the city administration after winning the '59 elections.

The two NP leaders emphasized the need of defeating the Liberal party ticket led by Mayor Vicente P. Sibulo to establish an eventual tieup with President Marcos' progress goals for local governments.

An overall program for city development could only be fully realized if the NPs win in the coming polls here, the two said. For the LPs to speak now of implementing a coordinated progress plan for the city after the '67 elections would be "a mere political catch-on" because Mr. Marcos is still in Malacanang for the next two years, Ojeda and Villafuerte said.

Ojeda recalled that all the LP's claims for "originality" in completing vital projects like the city market, public streetlighting, beautification and

## Farmers Cautioned On Pesticides

The Parks and Wildlife Office has recently cautioned government agencies and private individuals against excessive use of raticides and other insect controls to bolster their rice production efforts.

It was pointed out that pesticides kill, not only rats and other insects but also cats, owls and snakes which are the predators responsible for checking the population growth of the pests. To safeguard

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## II PC zone Commander Visits Bicol

Brig. General Melito Bulan, commander of the II PC Zone, accompanied by two of his staff officers conducted a flying visit to the Cam. Sur PC Command for one and one-half hour today, Sept. 23. He had been to Daet, Cam. Norte where he was the guest of honor in the inauguration of the newly constructed integrated PC Headquarters and Barracks.

Gen. Bulan was met at the Pili Airport at 8:20 a.m. today by a group of PC officers and their ladies led by Lt. Col. and Mrs. Rafael Dumlao, Cam. Sur PC Commander. Miss Emilia Efondo and

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M. Villafuerte, Jr.

## More Proofs of Cledera's Official Candidacy

Below is a news-release from the headquarters of Atty. Armando Cledera who is an NP candidate for governor of Camarines Sur which are self-explanatory:

HON AMBASSADOR JOSE FUENTEBELLA TIGAON, CAM. SUR

MY RECORDS SHOW THAT ATTY. CLEDERA HAS BEEN PROCLAIMED BY JUNTA REGARDS.

PRESIDENT MARCOS

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September 18, 1967

General Manuel Yan Philippine Constabulary

Dear General Yan:

Due to an urgent request of Mr. Armando Cledera, Nacionalista Official Candidate for Governor of Camarines Sur, may I ask you to assign to him a PC Security Man. He is asking that Mr. Gonzalo Aspe of Ca-



ATTY. CLEDERA

marines Sur be assigned to him.

I shall be deeply grateful if you will give this request your usual prompt attention.

Thank you and regards.

Very truly yours,

(SGD.) GIL J. PUYAT NP President

True copy: AUGUSTO O. CLEDERA NP Legal Counsel

## Pighahanap An Nagbadil Ki Gob. Alberto Can Catanduanes

Biyong nacobhanan an bilog na nacion nin Filipinas kan pagbadila si Gobernador Juan Alberto Can Catanduanes can lunas na aga Sept. 18, sa

GSIS building sa calle Arroceros sa Manila mientas siya naghahalat can eevator pasacat sa icaduang escalon, sa saiyang (Dagos sa pagina 8)

## Frivaldo Roasted Secretary M. Balatbat In Cebu City

Commerce Secretary Marcelo Balatbat recently tried hard to enlighten

the Cebu Jaycees on what the government is doing to develop tourism but got burned in a searing open forum.

Three alert Jaycees took turns roasting Balatbat on the Aguilar Namarco deal. Another Jaycee asked why most Nacionalista candidates are just pointed to by Malacanang.

But the most telling shots were fired by Sorso-gon Gov. Juan G. Frivaldo who had the cabinetman burning in his seat. The governor was in Cebu as guest of the PAL inauguration flight on the Manila - Legazpi - Cebu thrice weekly flight.

Frivaldo asked Balatbat why despite the ₱6 mil-

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GOV. J. FRIVALDO

## U.S. Admiral To Visit 'Sailor Town' In Southern Luzon

U.S. NAVAL BASE, Subic Bay (PAO) — Nabua, a town in Camarines Sur province noted for its many active and retired U.S. Navy personnel, will throw wide open its doors for an American admiral next week.

Rear Admiral Fillmore B. Gilkerson, commander of this Seventh Fleet logistics support installation, will be in the landlocked municipality of 80,000 inhabitants on Wednesday, Oct. 4.

He will be on a People-to-People mission for his government, at the same time swapping naval memories with some of the town's 140 retired U.S. Navy men.

America's People-to-People Program, a worldwide project instituted during the Eisenhower administration, has gone far and wide in the Philippines. One of the more



Admiral Gilkerson

active exponents of this program in the parts has been Admiral Gilkerson.

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# partial review

by Andres G. Diez



## Undeserving Question for Answers

"Mr. Diez, despite the fact that Atty. Prila was present in the NP convention held on August 20, 1967 why is he launching the candidacy of Congressman Fuentebella for Governor when Atty. Armando Cledera was the one elected by the convention? Is this man (Atty. Prila) already a Nacionalista or still a Liberal or is he mad?"



### Prieto Diaz Scores Big Registration of Voters

PRIETO DIAZ, Sorsogon Eighty-five percent of the 3,229 voters in this municipality who voted in the 1965 elections have already registered under the new registration law, according to Comelec sources here.

As of August 15, 2,606 have their registration applications already approved.

### Tamaraw, Philippine Eagle For National Seal

The removal of the Spanish lion rampant and the American eagle from the Philippine seal was recently endorsed by the Parks and Wildlife Office following a proposal made by the U.P. Law Center.

The PWO suggested instead the use of the tamaraw and the great Philippine eagle as replacements to make the

President Marcos has authorized the Trust Agreement between the RP-US Joint Veterans Commission and the Philippine Veterans Bank for the \$31-million veterans benefits claims.

The agreement was formally signed at the Osmeña Suite of D' Plaza, in Makati, Rizal.

Former Senator Eulogio Balsa, chairman of the Philippine panel, signed on behalf of the RP-US Joint Commission and Rafael Aranda, acting president of the Philippine Veterans Bank, signed for the part of the PVB.

The payment of the \$31 million veterans benefits claims was embodied in the Executive Agreement signed by Secretary of Foreign Affairs Narciso Ramos and Ambassador William M. Cormick Blair, Jr. in Manila on June 29, 1967 and recently turned over to the Philippine government.

The benefit claims will accrue to the more than 600,000 Filipino veterans who were members of the United States Forces in the Far East (USAFFE) to which they were inducted at the outbreak of the Pacific war.

The amount will be used to pay certain claims for pay and allowances of recognized Philippine guerrillas which have previously deductions from the backpay of certain RP veterans.

Those entitled to payment are already known and will receive their payment through the Veterans Claims Settlement Office, Department of National Defense, Fort Aguinaldo.

Among those who witnessed the signing were Senator Jose Roy, Undersecretaries of Defense Manuel Syquia and Manuel Salientes, Assistant Executive Secretary Gilberto Duavit who represented the President, Alfredo G. Alvarez, PVB assistant vice-president and Augustus Celantuan, vice-president auditor.

### PWO Urges Conservation Education

Officials of the Parks and Wildlife Office recently sought the inclusion of Conservation in the high schools and collegiate curricula to stem the fast depletion of our natural resources:

Celerino Datu, new designated officer in charge of the Office said that the undue stress on exploitation instead of conservation is detrimental to Philippine agriculture and economy. PWO officials appealed to the Committee on Education of both houses of Congress to immediately enact a bill requiring conservation education in both high school and college levels in this country.

coat of arms truly Filipino. Many congressmen and senators have expressed approval and support for the nationalistic proposal of the Parks and Wildlife Office.

Gene E. Balfermoso

## FROM THE HILLTOP



## The Political Pipeline

**Buhi C.S.** - In an impressive political rally on the proclamation of re-electionist Mayor Nazario Equizabal-former Ambassador Jose Fuentebella in his usual acatelectic mood fired his first broadsides on the misconception of his stand on the gubernatorial question between his brother the Congressman Felix Fuentebella of the Second District of Camarines Sur and gubernatorial aspirant Atty. A. Cledera.

What amounts to be a spirited defense of the conduct of the Nacionalista Party convention at Abo farm, Ticao a month ago - the Ambassador spelled in black and white his stiff opposition on the dictates of the Junta to put up Congressman Felix Fuentebella as a compromise gubernatorial candidate.

The ambassador berated supposed detractors who would not stoop to incarnate the influence of divisionary tactics thereby weakening the stand and chances of the party. He said he would not allow even his brother, the Congressman, to tamper the dignity and the sacred intents of the convention. He added, the convention was glamorized with a *Dei Gratia* solemnization to the extent that cursillistas participated in a number together with the invocation calling for divine assistance from the Almighty as well as the spirits of the founding fathers of the party. He said the Congressman had assured him before the convention that he would not or is in any way interested in the gubernatorial post since being a congressman he could better serve his people than to be a receptionist governor.

Convinced on his stand on the majority result of the convention although short of the required 60% - the ambassador stressed no less than the President of the Philippines Ferdinand Marcos had called the NP Junta to act on the proclamation of Atty. Armando Cledera. He even cited the remarks of NP President Gil Puyat who said the case of Cledera is a special one since it involved the special attention of the President himself who is the titular head of the party-calling on the junta to act favorably on the proclamation of Atty. Armando Cledera.

The Ambassador added that if such a thing would happen that his brother would run - he said to preserve the spirit of the convention expressing the voice of the majority in a democracy - he would not vacillate to support the candidacy of Atty. Cledera. Of all the gubernatorial aspirants - Cledera has no relation to him whatsoever only that his forebears represented the founding fathers of the party. The Ambassador said that he would cross the province from end to end to tell the people the gospel of truth as the affirmation of his conviction that it would cost the ire of the whole NP junta including the President of the Philippines. He stressed further that for twenty years he fought the late President Manuel L. Quezon on a certain principle that Camarines Sur should stand on the validity of the will of the people not a mere goose-stepping member of a legion who would not know to dissect between truth, justice, righteousness as against the meanness of the wrong-doer.

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On the local political scene five protagonists have decided to throw their hats into the mayoral fight: Three NP's\* Re-electionist Mayor Nazario Equizabal, Madam Benita Noble, Local NP President, Atty. Qvirino Fabul; Two LP's Atty. Ramon Constandio and Mr. Juan Abasola a resigned school teacher.

Ojeda, Villafuerte

roadbuilding would "indeed be a farce for these were the very same goals carried in our political platform way back in 1959."

Villafuerte also cited their administration's role in securing the multi-million peso funding for Naga's water works improvement project and Malacaniang release for the construction of the new city hall. It would be the height of hypocrisy for the Liberals to claim credit for projects undertaken by the past Nacionalista administration, the former city executive added.

man the Nacionalista party in Naga has the best political machinery."

The NP's councilor-slate is composed of: Atty. Roberto R. Ruelo, Lt. Felicesimo D. Asis, lawyer-CPA Reynaldo P. Borja, city fiscal's special counsel Carlos G. de' Castillo, former municipal board secretary Jaime C. Viola, university aide Antonio Antero and retired army Capt. Severiano Tacorda.

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Both Ojeda and Villafuerte expressed confidence that the NP city ticket headed by mayoral bet Protacio G. Tolentino and Vice Mayor Siegfredo D. Obias would carry the election battle here barrio-to-barrio "to prove once and for all that man to