

# "THE BADGE THAT ONLY FREE MEN CAN WEAR"

*Quezon's Message on U. S. Flag Day*

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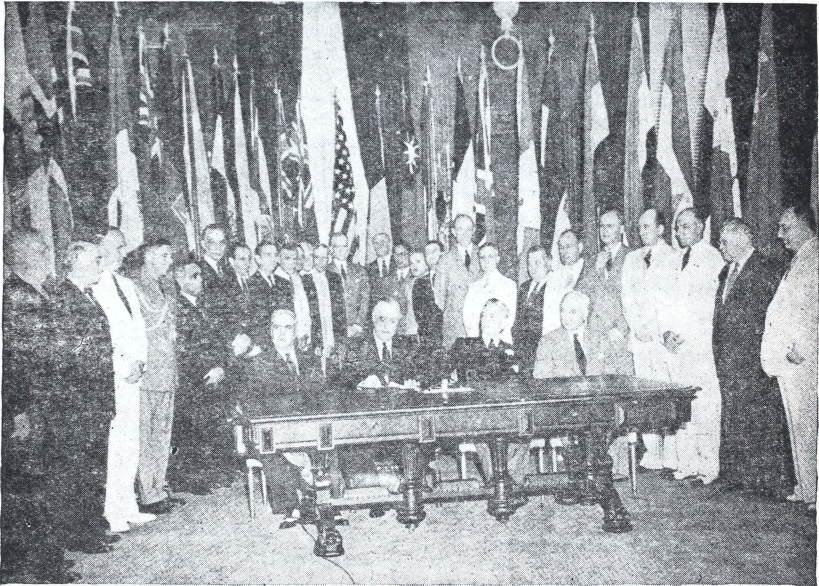
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SARANAC LAKE, N.Y., June 14.—  
On United States Flag Day (today),  
which is the second anniversary of the  
signing of the Declaration of United  
Nations by the Philippines, President  
Manuel L. Quezon issued the following  
statement, for broadcast to the Phil-  
ippines:

"My countrymen: On this day,  
wherever you may be, pause a moment  
in silent prayer—a prayer of thanks-  
giving and petition.

"Today, June 14, is the day set aside  
by the President of the United States  
for the honoring not only of the flag  
of America but the flags of all the  
United Nations who fight for liberty.  
Today, June 14, is also the second an-  
niversary of my signing the Declara-  
tion of United Nations on behalf of  
the Philippines. By that simple act,  
the Philippines joined herself with  
thirty-four sovereign nations of the  
world in the fight against aggression.

"In the midst of your sufferings—  
and I share them to the full—let us  
turn our thoughts today to our Flag  
of the Sun and Three Stars, the flag  
that our heroes followed in unnumbered  
battles for freedom. Let us renew our  
pledge that our hopes for it will not  
be dimmed, nor our faith in it fettered,



When *THE PHILIPPINES* became a member of the UNITED NATIONS on June 14, 1942. Sitting from left to right: Ambassador Najera of the Republic of Mexico, President Roosevelt, President Quezon, and Secretary of State Cordell Hull. (Courtesy of Mr. Serapio Canceran)

nor our love for it weakened by the invader, but that each returning sun will make us more determined in our resolve that, as in honor we inherited it from our fathers, in honor we must bequeath it to our sons. That honor is the badge that only free men can wear.

"Two years ago today, our Flag was unfurled side by side with those of the other United Nations in the fight for liberty and democracy. I do not have to stress the transcendental significance of our having been admitted as signatory to the declaration of the nations fighting Germany and Japan, as an independent government. When I signed it for the Filipino people and subscribed to the principles set forth in the Atlantic Charter, I knew that I was expressing our nation's determination never to be cowed by the Japanese invader. Your courageous resistance has shown the world we Filipinos can suffer and die for the cause of freedom.

"Let us give thanks for the friendship of America and our other allies in our common struggle against the enemy, and for the victories of the armed forces of the United Nations, in Italy, in Russia, and in the Southwest Pacific. Let us be grateful that the forces of liberation are coming ever closer to our beloved shores. And today, let us humbly petition the Almighty for the continued success of our arms, and beseech Him to hasten the glorious day of liberation for all peoples all over the world.

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#### VALENCIA

Mayor ..... Eulalio Ueang (L)

Vice-Mayor .... Jacinto Sales (N)

#### Councillors:

1. Juan Sales (N)
2. Ignacio Cagulangan (L)
3. Pablo Namoc (L)
4. Eugenio Dalopirit (N)
5. Aejo Daleon (N)
6. Alfonso Lagare (N)

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