

SAN MAURICIO MINING COMPANY

San Mauricio established a new all-time monthly gold production record in November with an output of P501,732.47 from the treatment of 9,166 tons of ore. The output was some P60,000 over the October figure. Recovery per ton was P54.738, and extraction was 94.23%.

The development advance totalled 1,567 feet, of which 883 feet were capital, 488 operating, and 196 feet assessment work. On the capital advance 393 feet were in ore as were 225 feet of the operating advance.

Development work in general continued to add to the ore reserves. The

Tacoma No. 3 on the 200 level was advanced 28 feet through old workings, with the grab samples showing high average values. Tacoma No. 3 hanging wall drift 2135 north on the 300 level was advanced 57 feet with high values over 20 inches.

Stoping operations for the month were normal, with all stopes in good condition. The mine is in good shape with plenty of available ore.

In spite of a heavy rainfall—31.72 inches during the month—operations went ahead normally.

PHILIPPINE SMELTING COMPANY

Total tons of concentrate smelted (as sinter) at the Philippine Smelting Company amounted to 1202.4420. The total fluxed charge (sinter and slag) to the blast furnace was 1,832.98 tons.

The new Cottrell plant was operated

steadily and satisfactorily most of November. Smoke clearance efficiency was well over 90%.

The ratio of concentrate smelted in November to smelter concentrate produced 12.725 to 1.