



### A Visit to Mabini's Birthplace

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(14 years old)

A GROUP of us decided to pay a visit to Mabini's birthplace. We started one afternoon at three o'clock for Talaga in a truck which we had hired. On the way we sang songs, told jokes, laughed, and enjoyed ourselves very much.

When we arrived at our destination we were interested in seeing the Apolinario Mabini Memorial School. First we inspected the beautiful school grounds. Soon the bugle sounded, and we assembled in front of the school building where we sang the Philippine National Anthem.

Then we had a program. A very interesting part of the program was a talk by one of Mabini's brothers. He told us of the difficulties which Mabini encountered in securing an education. His talk was sometimes funny and sometimes

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### Hunting Deer

By PROCOPIO A. SANTIAGO  
(15 years old)

VERY recently, as a part of a four-day vacation, I went with my father, uncles, and brothers to hunt deer. The weather was fine, and so the hunting trip was a pleasant experience for me. We went as far as Butigue, a barrio in the Cordillera Mountains. We had a hard time reaching the place.

Near Butigue we saw some Kalingas hunting, too. The Kalingas are natives of the place. My father fired off his gun to signify to them about our presence. They answered the shot and told us that some deer were running toward us. So we stopped on our way and waited for the deer to pass by. After a few moments several shots broke the silence of the mountains. Three deer were shot. We gave one to the Kalingas, and the two we took to my cousin's house and had a happy picnic.

After the picnic, we hunted again in the after-

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### Our Proficiency Club

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OUR class has organized a club called the Pilarian Proficiency Club. It has a code of purposes and prohibitions. Some of our purposes are as follows:

1. To improve the cleanliness of our school.
2. To help the small primary children at all times.
3. To improve the health condition of our school.

Some of the prohibitions are:

1. Speaking the dialect in the school building or on the campus.
2. Throwing or scattering wastepaper in the building or on the school grounds.
3. Talking in the lines before entering the rooms.

Our club has selected green and yellow for its colors. The club motto is: "United we stand, divided we fall." The following are the different committees: Small Chil-

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CHOOSING THE CORRECT ANSWER

(The Answers)

- 1. is                    5. has
- 2. are                  6. are
- 3. her                  7. eat
- 4. their                8. likes

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WHO AM I?

(The Answers)

- 1. pig                    3. rice
- 2. bee                   4. corn
- 5. sugar cane

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MATCHING SENTENCES

(The Answers)

- 1 — 2                  5 — 4
- 2 — 5                  6 — 6
- 3 — 1                  7 — 8
- 4 — 3                  8 — 7

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noon. We pierced thick forests and forded many streams whose clear water was very cool. Our dogs went ahead of us. Once in a while a deer would come out of the tall *talahib* and would be met with a shot.

That night we spent most of our time in salting the venison. The following morning, we hunted again. We bagged many more, for the place is noted for its game. When we finally went home, we had to employ six carabaos to carry our quarry.

When school opened, my mind was not in my lessons because I was always

HEALTH TEST

I.

- 1. bone-building
- 2. sunlight
- 3. up-and-down
- 4. candy
- 5. mouthwash
- 6. filled
- 7. hard foods
- 8. decay
- 9. clearly
- 10. toothbrush

II.

- 1. TRUE                6. TRUE
- 2. TRUE                7. FALSE
- 3. FALSE              8. TRUE
- 4. FALSE              9. TRUE
- 5. TRUE                10. TRUE

CROSS-WORD PUZZLES

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thinking of the pleasant, thrilling time I had during the hunting trip.

OUR PROFICIENCY CLUB

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dren's Welfare Committee which is composed of eight members, Health Committee with seven members, Publicity Committee having seven members, Program and Invitation Committee with eight members, Good Behavior Committee having seven members, and Refreshments Committee composed of seven members.

The meetings are held the last Friday of every month. Our Club has elected the following officers: president, vice-president, and sergeant-at-arms. We are conducting our meetings in the most orderly manner possible.

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sad. Among other things he told us of Mabini walking home barefooted in order to save his shoes. His talk was an inspiration. I learned that an ambitious boy may succeed in spite of poverty.

When the program was finished, we visited the home of Mabini, and talked to one of his brothers. He pointed out to us the exact spot on which formerly stood the *nipa* shack in which Mabini was born.