

## ITOGON MINING COMPANY

The tonnage mined and average per ton at Itogon showed a decrease from the previous month. This may be attributed mainly to the water seepage having penetrated to the lower workings of the Gilkison split causing the 450 level stopes to become very heavy, the consequent result being a decrease of tonnage from the section of the mine providing the best ore.

From the treatment of 27,270 tons of ore, Itogon recovered a total of ₱352,725.25, for an average per ton of ₱12.93. The percentage of extraction was 87%.

The total development advance for the month amounted to 3,437 feet. Of the 2,647 feet of capital development, 1,009 feet were in ore, and of the 790 feet in operating, 409 feet were in ore.

### *Sesame:*

Work on the 23 vein has given good results, especially on the 200, 300 and

450 levels. The 400 level has reached the Balatoc endline after advancing through ore which averaged ₱25.30 across the width of the drift. Average values were mined on the 700 level and around the new 800 level.

On the 100, 350, and 500 levels of the Sesame vein, drifting operations opened up ore of average values.

### *Taka:*

The results obtained from operations in Taka have been quite satisfactory, ore of good value being taken from most of the workings. The shaft guides have been replaced up to the surface. The placing of I-beams and removal of timber in the main shaft between 300 and 350 levels was completed.

Due to the heavy rains the construction department was kept very busy. Operations in the mine and mill were satisfactory during August.

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## REPUBLIC STEEL JOINS MARSMAN TRADING

On September 1, 1939, Marsman Trading Corporation announced to the Philippines the exclusive agency for specialty products of Republic Steel Corporation and its various subsidiary companies.

The Republic Steel Corporation with its more than 40 mills and units is the third largest steel manufacturer in the United States. Of these many lines, perhaps one of the best known is the Truscon line of steel windows and doors. These products have been widely sold in the Philippines, and have been utilized in a large majority of the more important construction projects.

The Republic line which Marsman Trading represents, however, includes hundreds of items covering practically every requirement for steel and iron products. Among the more important of these are Enduron stainless steel, Tuncan iron and Exlite tinplate manufactured by Republic Steel Corporation; Berloy steel lockers, Acme nest-

ble steel culverts and steel shelving made by Berger manufacturing Division; cold drawn castings and shapes, and pump and piston rods by Union Drawn Steel Division; Weltrus steel poles and metal lath from Truscon Steel Company. In addition to windows and doors, Electrunit steel tubes, bedstead tubing, and Fretz-Moon conduit from Steel and Tubes, Inc. The Nile Steel Products Company produces stampings, press steel parts, barrels and drums.

A. A. Fraser, who has been in the Philippines for several years, is in charge of Republic Steel Division in Marsman Trading. Mr. Fraser first joined the Republic organization through the Truscon subsidiary fifteen years ago. His wide and varied experience in steel business, assures a thorough representation by Republic Steel. Assisting Mr. Fraser will be Mr. Wm. Maguire who for the past six years has been engaged in the construction materials business in the United States.