

## GRAND LODGE NEWS

MW Joseph E. Schon, Grand Master, had a busy September that took him and his party from north to south visiting Lodges, dedicating a temple and attending Masonic district conventions. Practically all his Saturdays were used for the purpose.

Sept. 3, 1968 — MW Schon made an official visitation to Manila Lodge No. 1 at the Scottish Rite Temple.

Sept. 7 — Attended convention of Masonic District No. 13 in Daet, Camarines Norte. Lodges comprising the district are: Isarog No. 33, Naga City, Camarines Sur; Bulusan No. 38, Sorsogon, Sorsogon; Mayon No. 61, Legaspi City, Albay; and Camarines Norte No. 107, Daet. The different Lodges, with District Deputy Grand Master, VW Eustaquio de Guzman, worked hard to make the convention a success that it was. The delegates to the convention as well as visiting brethren were one in their comment that they were inspired by the things said and done in the convention.

Sept. 14 — The Grand Master and party flew to Iligan City in Lanao del Norte to dedicate the new temple of Maranaw Lodge No. 111. Before the war, this Lodge was located in Dansalan, now Marawi City, which used to be the capital of a single Lanao. After the war, the Lodge moved to Iligan City in Lanao del Norte, where the Lodge, step by step, acquired a lot and built a temple. The dedication ceremonies were practically a district convention as practically all the Lodges in northwestern Mindanao comprising Masonic District No. 25, under VW Aniceto Belisario, DDGM, were represented.

Others in the Grand Master's party were: The Grand Secretary, MW Esteban Munarriz, PGM, and the

Grand Lecturers, VW Hermogenes P. Oliveros and VW Juan Causing, who assisted him in the ceremonies of dedication.

The Grand Master and Grand Secretary returned to Manila after the dedication, while the Grand Lecturers continued their Lodge to Lodge visitations to conduct Lodge of Instruction and Masonic symposia as directed by the Grand Master. They visited the following Lodges:

Sept. 15-16 — Don Juan S. Alano Lodge No. 153, Pagadian, Zamboanga del Sur; Sept. 17-18 — Mt. Musuan Lodge No. 155, Malaybalay, Bukidnon; Sept. 19-20 — Agusan Valley Lodge No. 160, Butuan City; Sept. 21 — Makabugwas Lodge No. 47, Tacloban, Leyte; Sept. 22-23 — Mt. Huraw Lodge No. 98, Catbalogan, Samar; Sept. 24 — Makabugwas Lodge No. 47, Tacloban City.

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Sept. 21 — The Grand Master and his party flew to Tuguegarao, Cagayan in northern Philippines to attend the district convention of Masonic Districts Nos. 2, 3 & 23. The districts are composed of Lodges in the provinces of Cagayan, Isabela and Nueva Vizcaya. There is a total of ten Lodges in the districts. VW Perfecto Lingan is DDGM for Cagayan; VW Rufino Roque for Isabela and VW Sotero Torralba for Nueva Vizcaya. The Grand Master was delighted to note that these three rice-timber- and mineral-rich provinces of northern Luzon is one of the sections of the country which has grown Masonically. Nueva Vizcaya had one Lodge before the war, now it has four; Isabela had one, now it has three; and Cagayan, which had two before the war still has two, but it won't be long before another Lodge is organized there.

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smoke. In no time the Lodge is completely rehabilitated and meets at present in one of the rooms of the Sorsogon School of Arts and Trades, through the kindness of WB Pedro F. Gomez, Superintendent of the said school and the present Worshipful Master (1968).

*Roll of Past Masters.* As we celebrate the GOLDEN ANIVERSARY of Bulusan Lodge No. 38, this year, we pay high tribute to the following brethren, who, once, twice and in some instances for several times, were duly elected to occupy that honored seat in the East:

- \*1. WB Aurelio Diokno
- \*2. WB Bernabe Flores
- \*3. WB Pedro Paguia
- \*4. WB Jose Figueroa
- \*5. WB Anacleto Apostol
- \*6. WB Jose de Vera
- \*7. WB Leon Fajardo
- \*8. WB Leon Olbes (Ung Puy)
- \*9. WB Pedro Almonte
- \*10. WB Maximo Berifia
- \*11. WB Herminigildo Encinas
- \*12. WB Patricio Guerrero
- 13. WB Pedro Tubianosa
- 14. WB Jose Medina
- 15. WB Emiliano Vida
- \*16. WB Juan Lopez
- 17. WB Sotero Escandor Sr.
- 18. WB Rafael Ramos
- 19. WB Estanislao Gabarda
- 20. WB Luis Duka

- 21. WB Lorenzo N. Talatala
- 22. WB Jose Laguna
- 23. WB Pedro Sta. Ana
- 24. WB Azarias Jayco

\* Deceased

For them (\*) who have gone before us, "may we hear from HIM who sitteth as the JUDGE SUPREME, the welcome words well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of the LORD." And, may they continue their labours in the Celestial Lodge above.

The year 1967 marks the arrival of Bulusan Lodge No. 38 at her Golden Milestone. Within the span of fifty years, the Lodge underwent varied experiences. The events from her birth aboard a ship, to the long crisis during and after the war, the transition period of 1960-1962 and many other significant events, form part of her colorful history, now woven in the looms of time. In calling back to mind the Summers and "Winters" of her existence, some brethren naturally tower high in steering our masonic ship of state through the rough and turbulent sea of public opinion and scrutiny. They all deserve our tribute who in one way or another contributed their share and shoulder in turning the fraternal wheel that the life and charter of Bulusan Lodge might be preserved in the highest standard of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth.

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The other lodges in Visayas and Mindanao which have not yet been visited by them will be visited next month. Among them are: Kanlaon Lodge No. 64 in Bacolod City; Mt. Kaladias Lodge No. 91, Dumaguete City; Dipolog Lodge No. 162, Zamboanga del Norte; Oroquieta Lodge

No. 154, Misamis Oriental; Mt. Apo Lodge No. 45, Zamboanga City; Juan S. Alano Lodge No. 137, Basilan City and Bud Daho Lodge No. 102 in Jolo. The Grand Lecturers hope to finish their visitations to these lodges before the year ends. Afterwards they will visit the lodges north of Manila and the Bicol District. △