

Hunting In The Philippines

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Left to right: Miguel de la Riva, James Stevenson, Emilio Veloso, Jose Veloso and Max Warne, after a successful "drive" in the mountains of Sibul

Manila's elite, so the society columns say, has gone to Baguio to flee from the city's dust, noise and algae. To be right, however, the society news should say: "half of Manila's Elite" has gone to Baguio, because really and truly, the "better half" has chosen other places, less populated by human being, but a paradise to beasts, for their playground during hot months.

The tired businessman of Manila, while indulging sometimes in the relaxation most common to the tired business men of Wall Street, finds other means to forget the daily routine of the office. With a few friends, his reliable rifle and hunting dogs, he penetrates into the forest in search of game.

Just at present the watchword is "Big Game". From Monday until Friday or Saturday, the tired business man's

dream is a deer, or a wild boar or a wild bull. Just as soon as his affairs will allow him, he prepares to leave the capital in quest of the "beasts' paradise". There are very few local hunters who will tell you where is his hunting ground, because he is afraid you will go there and frighten away the animals he longs to follow and "get" just as soon as opportunity presents itself.

"Big Game" hunting in the Philippines starts at the middle of March, although some start days earlier and still others about the end of the month. The most po-

pular "big game" hunting grounds are: Mindoro—for the wild carabao known as the Tamaraw, Jala-jala, Rizal for deer and wild boar, Echague Cagayan—for Cimmarron, deer, wild boar and some times, wild horses and Sibul—for deer and wild boar.

Since hunting is known as the king of sports and sport of kings, only the well-to-do can indulge in it although several with medium means of livelihood also enjoy its sensations and thrills. The equipment is expensive. Besides, the fee of guides and helpers during the trip is high. If to these expenses

we add the cost of transportation and the "gratification" to the owner of the house in the mountains who allows the hunters to stay in their homes during the night when it is too late to go back, the total cost of such a short pastime becomes enormous. That is the reason why very few, in fact quite a number of the really well-to-do can manage to go hunting every time they feel like going.

"Big Game" hunting lasts until May, but then when the new season opens, there is another period of hunt which starts about September. (Continued on page 27)

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This season, however, is only for snipes, coots and wild ducks

Pila, Laguna is famous for its snipes. So are Sariaya, Candelaria and Pagbilao, Tayabas. These places are frequented by hundreds of hunting addicts. Snipe hunting is quite less expensive than "big game". For Goots, Napindan and Angono, Rizal, are famous. Hagonoy, Talipit and Bulacan are also known to have quite a big "order" of coots and some times wild ducks.

Although on the 15th of this month, the permit for hunting in the Philippines expired, there are still many who enjoy their favorite pastime and a double thrill. They thrill at the chase of the wild animals or birds and also at the thought that they might be arrested by the Constabulary agents who are on the look out for "out of season" hunters. In our country only the hunt for wild boars is allowed throughout the year, because the government protects the animals during certain months of the year to prevent their extermination and to regulate hunting accordingly.

To name all well-known hunters in this country would be impossible, but to mention some will be quite easy because these are always in the news columns not only as hunting enthusiasts, but also as addicts of other forms of sports.

Among the best known hunters here we have the son of Mayor Earnshaw, Manoling, who often goes with another Manoling, (Beech), the Roces brothers, (Marcos and Rafael of Roces and Co.) and Andong of the TVT Publications), Miguel and Juan de la Riva, sons of Mr. de la Riva of the Casino Español, Francisco Gregorio Domingo, Eduar-

Celebrities Row

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tain Ateneo's crack basketball team which he so ably led during the collegiate season, Suarez was one of the stars of the league and in the annual mythical All NCAA selection he was easily picked as one of its stars. Suarez has still another year at the Ateneo and many of his admirers expect him "to bring home the bacon" next season.

Suarez is not only a basketball luminary. He is an all around man. Suarez has captained the foot-ball team of his school in 1929-30 and last season was a pillar of support on the same team. The lanky star started his foot-ball career as a goal tender five years ago. He is still a good goalie but as his service were needed most as a full-back, he switched to this position which he has very well played. His game is so that other teams made overtures to make him their full back. The newly organized Philippine Columbian finally got him and has played several games for the

do Perrenoud, Primo Feliciano J. Montenegro, Leandro Gruet Feliciano Paterno, Mr. Hileman of Squires Bingham, Mr. Stevens Mr Myers, of San Juan Co. ,Mr, Lennigin, Mr. Floyd, the Elizalde Brothers, Antonio Roxas, Emilio Veloso, of the Filipino Hand Embroidery and Hat Company, his brother, Jose Veloso, the Zamora brothers G. Haygood, Adolfo Garcia, the well-known engraver and the lithographer, Federico Montes, Max Stevenson and many more.

To mention here how some of the above are able to continue hunting even when the law prohibits it, would not be fair to them, who have confided to the writer unsuspecting that the data furnished would go to print.

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tic bailer. At this stage Guagua II was within 300 meters ahead of the Patsy Ruth, Montee succeeded in passing her easily and farther yonder Malabon III Squibb and Malabon I were speeding a few feet away of each other in the order named. The Patsy Ruth passed them one by one and at the end of the first lap she was already leading. At the beginning of the second lap the Patsy Ruth showed signs of collapse and fearing lest she nose-dive Montee slackened her speed to three-fourths open at the throttle, and maintained this speed to the end of the eight and last lap winning the race by a big

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15 to 20 pounds heavier than him.

There have been other star formers practically knee high, but of great ability who have vanquished giants in varied and muetiform events, and years from now, when, the present stars have faded away there will still be new men great athletes and among these there will be midgets, who like those of to-day will hold their own with the great Goliaths of competitive Athletics.

margin, without having been overtaken even once. Mr. Montee broke the World's Record in class "D" with a 50 mile plus speed in a 2 mile course.

WORLD'S RECORD	CLASS "D"	NEW RECORD SET BY MONTEE
Dec. 4, 1929	Date	Dec. 7, 1930
Newport B. Calif.	Location	Guagua, P. I.
Crandall Comet	Name of Boat	Patsy Ruth
H. G. Ferguson	Driver	T. D. Montee
Crandall	Make of Boat	Sea Gull
Johnson	Make of Motor	Johnson
49. 484 mls.	Speed	50. 108 mls.

As the Motor-Boat season starts on August, we are informed that several competitors, among them the Saldaña Brothers

Stevens, and Meneleo Carlos are getting ready for the 1932 championships, building new speedy boats. Prospects for breaking more records looks good.

Club Squad. Another sport which has taken part of Suarez' time was track and field. Three years ago, Suarez became known in collegiate circles as a crack miler. He beat well known middle distance runners in pre-season dual meets in spite of the fact that he was a green horn. He scored points for Ateneo in several collegiate dual meets in track but later had to hang his spikes because his parents did not want him to overwork himself. Taking the advice of his elders and his coach, he dropped the cinder path and limited himself to basket-ball and foot-ball, two sports which

claim him today as a star in both.

Recently, Suarez played on the All Filipino quintet that vanquished the crack Chenju squad and during the P. A. A. F. basket-ball championships he represented the NCAA in its winning rampage which finally landed the collegians the title. Suarez despite the fact that he is a guard, scored the greatest number of points during the NCAA victory excluding, P. Martinez his team mate and H. Silva of Sto. Tomas who being forwards were the high point scorers in the collegiate machinery, national champion in basket-ball.