



FORESTRY CIRCLE, INC.

Last November 15, stars came down to illumine the new forestry building.

These stars were the Forestry Muse Contest candidates who were presented to their friends and fans in a get together and presentation party held by the Forestry Circle, Inc.

The candidates are Carmen Parras, Dulce Jarviña, Clarita Mallonga, Francisca Halabaso, Clarita Hernandez, Belen Santos, Josefina Datoon, and Racquel Salinas. As of the first counting, Francisca Halabaso of the administrative division of the Central Office lorded it over her opponents, with Carmen Parras running a poor second.

Past experiences will throw a monkey wrench on any attempt to conjecture with exact or near precision the outcome of the Muse Contest. The tail-ender might emerge at the top in the final counting. Or the leading one might remain consistently at the top. And what about the other candidates? So, there you are. "Who will be the Forestry Muse?" That is the big question which on'y the final counting can perfectly answer.

Jr. Forester Segundo P. Fernandez, Chief, Public Relations Section and Muse Contest Committee Chairman, revealed that many booklets containing ballots of different denominations have been sold out to supporters of the candidates. When asked for whom they would cast the ballots, they just answered with a big guess-who-smile.—Forestrian

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Republic of the Philippines
Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources
BUREAU OF FORESTRY
Manila

September 8, 1952

FORESTRY ADMINISTRATIVE
ORDER NO. 20
SUBJECT:

Amendments to Forestry Administrative Order No. 15, known as the Rules and Regulations Prescribing Schedule of Charges for Services Rendered and Articles Sold or Furnished.

1. Section 11, paragraphs (a), (b) and (c), of Forestry Administrative Order No. 15, known as the "Rules and Regulations Prescribing Schedule of Charges for Services Rendered and Articles Sold

or Furnished", as amended by Forestry Administrative Order No. 15-6, dated May 28, 1946, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 11.—Except as otherwise officially provided by law, the fees to be charged for the certification of copies of documents in the custody of the Bureau of Forestry and certification by the Director of Forestry as to whether or not a mining claim is inside any established forest reserve, national park, communal forest or communal pasture shall be as follows:

- (a) "For every hundred words or fraction thereof, typewritten (not including the certificate and any notation) P0.20
(b) "Where the copy to be furnished is in a printed form, in whole or in part, for each page (double this fee if there are two pages in a sheet) .50
(c) "For each certificate of correctness (with seal of office) written on the copy or attached thereto .50

Sec. 2—A new subsection to be known as subsection (f) is hereby inserted after subsection (e) of Section 11 of Forestry Administrative Order No. 15 to read as follows:

"(f)—For taking photographic copies, per page P.30
(If the photographic copy is to be furnished by the Bureau of Forestry, the cost of the plates, developing and printing should be collected in addition to the above fee of P0.30 per page.)"

Sec. 3—Date of taking effect. This Order shall take effect on September 1, 1952.

(SGD.) JOSE S. CAMUS
Acting Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources

Recommended by:
(SGD.) FLORENCIO TAMESIS
Director of Forestry

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TAMESIS TO FORESTRY CONFAB IN SINGAPORE

Director of Forestry Florencio Tamesis left for Singapore December 3 to represent the Philippine Government in the Second Session of the Forestry and Forest Products Commission for Asia and the

Pacific to be held in that country from December 1 to 13, 1952. The Commission will deliberate on the formulation and establishment of policies for oriental countries on forestry matters such as the question of standardization and grading of lumber and dimension timber. Director Tamesis brought with him three technical papers, namely: "Problems of Forest Management in the Philippines," by Sr. Forester Felix Franco; "Reforestation in Rainfall Areas in the Philippines", by Asst. Foresters Teofilo A. Santos and Paciano R. Rimando; and "Planting Exotic Species in the Philippines," by Forester Vicente Caguioa.—SPF

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SPEAKERS ALL

Ranger-Scaler Pedro L. Acedo of Guihulngan Forest Station talked on illegal kaingin and special use permits at Cambuiran, Gihulngan, on June 22, 1952. July speakers were Ranger Agripino M. Lomongo of Siquijor Reforestation Project; Alfredo L. Genio and Anselmo S. Garcia of Cagayan de Oro City forestry; Forest Guards Jose S. Lopez of Virac, Palawan, and Fermin Sol of Sipocot Forest Station in Camarines Sur; and Ranger Ciriaco Diaz of Tagkawayan Forest Station in Quezon. The July forestry speeches were mostly occasioned by the National Planting Week. Speakers for August were Rangers Justiniano G. Cabiles of Tandag Forest Station in Surigao and Benjamin Mopera of Polillo Forest Station in Quezon; Forest Guards Eustaquio D. Arengo of Misamis Oriental Gingoog Forest Station, Jose M. Balandra of Tagbilaran Forest Station in Bohol, and Fortunato L. Reyes of Bohol Reforestation Project; Cagayan de Oro City Anselmo S. Garcia and Eulogio Tagudan.

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PROVINCIAL FORESTER ATMOSFERA GUEST SPEAKER

Conferences of all Municipal Mayors, Municipal Treasurers, Chiefs of Police and Municipal Secretaries, with chiefs of national and provincial offices participating as invited by the Provincial Governor, were held at the Provincial Capitol Building on September 9 and 11 and at Bais Auditorium on September 10, 1952 in conjunction with the town fiesta of Bais, Neg. Or.

Provincial Forester Atmosfera was one of the guest speakers during the conference of all Municipal Treasurers at the Provincial Treasurer's Office on September 11, 1952. He spoke on the relationship of the Municipal Treasurers with his Office, and on problems encountered by his Office and requested assistance and cooperation from the Municipal Treasures for effective collection of forest charges and other forest revenues.

After the talk, various questions were asked which

were satisfactorily answered either by the speaker or by the Provincial Treasurer.

Provincial Treasurer Alfabeto and Asst. Provincial Treasurer Amor were the presiding officer and master of ceremonies, respectively.—FA

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TREMOR UN WEEK SPEAKER

The Abra forestry personnel headed by Provincial Forester Alejandro T. Tremor participated in the United Nations Week parade and program on October 18, 1952. Forester Tremor who was one of the speakers talked on the United Nations, its aims and purposes, the activities of the FAO pertaining to forestry, the International Forestry and Timber Utilization Conference for Asia and the Pacific and the implementation of some of its recommendations in the Philippines.

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MORE ON SPEECHES

Forest Guard Eduardo P. Cabral spoke on the conservation of forests and food production during the meeting of the Parents-Teachers Association on October 17, 1952 at Barrio Palanit, Allen, Samar. The significance of Arbor Day was the subject of the speech delivered by Ranger Ponciano Escalante at the Claveria municipal building, Misamis Oriental, on September 13, 1952. Miguel Pacas also spoke on the same subject at the Malabang Elementary School during Arbor Day. During the same occasion, Ty. Ranger Juan M. Monton acquainted the people in Jabonaga, Agusan, with the importance of Arbor Day and with forest laws and regulations on illegal kaingin. Speeches in the dialect were made by Ty. Ranger Benjamin Mopera in connection with the planting and peace and order campaign of the Municipal Council at Bo. Salipsip, Polillo, Quezon and during the Arbor Day celebration at the town plaza of Polillo. Forest Guard Felipe N. Ortil gave an Arbor Day talk in the Bicol dialect at the Tandoc Elementary School.

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BELATED ARBOR DAY REPORTS

D—35, Prov. Forester Eustacio S. Velasco

In spite of the shortage of personnel in the district all efforts were exerted to the most in connection with this year's celebration of Arbor Day. The whole force of the district attended literary and musical programs and tree planting in the municipalities of Calamba, Oroquieta, Lopez-Jeana, Clarin, and the city of Ozamis. Among the personnel who spoke during the programs were Asst. Forester Felix Dolonquin, Ty. Ranger Sofronio Seares, Ranger Scaler Santiago Morao and Provincial Forester E. S. Velasco. Most of the seedlings planted during the day

came from the Malwag Reforestation Project of the Bureau of Forestry.

D—29, Prov. Forester Fernando Atmosfera

The Arbor Day celebration in Dumaguete City was attended by city officials led by the city mayor and officials of the various national offices of the government. Tree planting was done in Quezon Park by the mayor, vice-mayor, and other service clubs of the city. Prov. Forester F. Atmosfera delivered a formal talk to some 1,000 school pupils, teachers and visitors at the West Dumaguete Elem. School on the "Significance of Arbor Day". The seedlings were distributed by the district headquarter and the forest stations at Tanjay, Guihulñan and Tolog.

D—22, Prov. Forester Dueñas

The faculty and student body of the Santa Cruz Institute heard Prov. Forester S. Dueñas talk on the "Usefulness of the Tree to Man", on the occasion of celebrating Arbor Day last October 20, 1952. Forester Dueñas was the guest speaker during the convocation. In his speech, Forester Dueñas described in detail the services of a tree beginning from the seed, as a living plant, and when felled as a log to be sawn into lumber and manufactured into the different wood products that are so indispensable to man. Also, he made mention of other important benefits that trees render to man—by holding back water with their roots to prevent floods, minimizing soil erosion, providing health and recreational resorts, and improving the climatic conditions.

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BOHOL FORESTRY OBSERVES ARBOR DAY

The Forest District under Provincial Forester Rafael Navallasca sponsored a Arbor Day program on September 13, 1952, in Tagbilaran, which was highlighted by a molave tree planting by Governor Juan C. Papo. At the request of the local forestry office, the USIS gave a free movie show in the evening featuring reforestation projects in America. Trees and seedlings were distributed free by the Bohol Reforestation Project to the different schools and colleges, both public and private, as well as other government and private entities.

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AGRICULTURAL LANDS CLASSIFIED

A total of about 68,000 hectares of land has been classified and 28,000 hectares reconnoitered, according to Director Florencio Tamesis of Forestry in his quarterly report on the activities and accomplishments in land classification under Counterpart Project No. 19 to the Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

Classified areas (as of Sept. 30, 1952) are located in the following provinces: Agusan, 3,027 ha.; Bukidnon, 10,560 ha.; Cagayan, 7,800 ha.; Cotabato,

4,200 ha.; Davao, 2,300 ha.; Lanao, 3,300 ha.; Negros Occ., 8,318 ha.; Mindoro Or., 2,525 ha.; Quezon, 9,156 ha.; Samar, 6,232 ha.; and Zamboanga, 10,582 hectares.

"Since the appointment of 21 draftsmen," Director Tamesis said, "mapping and drafting work has been accelerated." The completion of maps of many pending land classification projects enabled the Bureau to certify as alienable and disposable 161,942 hectares, 99,833 hectares of which were certified during the period from July to September 30, 1952.

Director Tamesis made it clear that the classification of the public domain under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Forestry is a prerequisite to its subdivision and disposition. No portion can be alienated without the proper classification, delimitation and certification that it is not needed for forest purposes.

As of June 30, 1952, only 11.91 million hectares or about 40 per cent of the total land area of the Philippines has been classified. Of the 60 per cent left for classification, Director Tamesis said, about seven million hectares are believed to be potential agricultural land.

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FOREST LANDS RELEASED FOR AGRICULTURE

Director Florencio Tamesis of Forestry, in his quarterly report on the land classification under Counterpart Project No. 19 to the Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources, disclosed that as of September 30, 1952, about 68,000 hectares have been released for agricultural purposes since they are no longer needed for forest use. They are located in the following provinces: Agusan, 3,027 ha.; Bukidnon, 10,560; Cagayan, 7,800 ha.; Cotabato, 4,200 ha.; Lanao, 3,300 ha.; Negros Occidental, 8,318 ha.; Mindoro Oriental, 2,525 ha.; Quezon, 9,156 ha.; Samar, 6,232 ha.; and Zamboanga, 10,582 hectares.

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LAND DISTRIBUTION STIMULATED

Agricultural lands distribution received another push when President Elpidio Quirino announced recently a new policy of opening more virgin lands for settlement by landless families not only in Mindanao but in other parts of the country as well.

The announcement of this policy was marked with the opening of 20,000 hectares of virgin lands in eastern Rizal. Across this settlement project will be a highway to be constructed with the ₱1 million already approved for release. As further incentive to settlers the president likewise announced that they will be allowed to pay for their lot in kind, such as rice, corn, and other produce.

Coming close on the heels of this new land program is the order of Vice President Fernando Lopez, concurrently DANR Secretary, to the Bureau

of Lands Director to legalize occupation of public lands by squatters in Mindanao and to expedite the issuance of land certificates. The order is aimed at settling land troubles and thus direct all their attention to making their lands more productive. Uncertainty of land ownership due to protracted disputes retards economic development, according to the Vice President.

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DIRECTOR TAMESIS REACHES ANOTHER MILESTONE

Forestry employees held a party at the newly reconstructed forestry building in the afternoon of November 8, 1952, in honor of Director Florencio Tamesis' birthday last November 7. Now 64, Director Tamesis has devoted the greater part of his life to the cause of Philippine forests and forestry.

The party was featured by a short program and a dance, and was opened with the mass singing of "Men of the Forest We", by the public. Atty. Juan Acogido delivered the opening remarks which was followed by birthday greetings from Foresters Paul Bedard, P. San Buenaventura in behalf of the BF personnel, and Felix Franco in behalf of Los Baños forestry employees, after which Director Tamesis responded, followed by the singing of the "Happy Birthday" by the public.

In his response Director Tamesis revealed that had it not been for his love of work and his desire to serve the people and country, he could have chosen lucrative positions outside of the government. Having in mind the Retirement Law, the Director expressed the opinion that his response speech might well be his last talk to his personnel in a similar occasion. Having rendered 44 years of fruitful service, Director Tamesis might leave the government service next year. This does not bother him however, as he has full trust in all his division chiefs and members of his staff in carrying on the good work the Bureau has been doing. The director said he feels proud of the organization and that one of his sources of happiness if and when he retires is the fact that the forestry bureau has not figured yet so far in any kind of scandal.

The affair was arranged by Atty. Juan Acogido, Asst. Chief, Administrative Division. Jr. Forester Segundo P. Fernandez, Chief, Public Relations Section, acted as Toastmaster.—SPF

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DIRECTOR TAMESIS INSPECTS DISTRICT NO. 29

Director Tamesis and Forester Paul W. Bedard of the MSA inspected this district on August 25-26, 1952. On the 25th., August, they inspected the cutting areas of the Arnaiz Bros. Lumber Co. at Tanjay after drinks were served at the sawmill by the

Mill Manager, the late Don Emiliano Arnaiz. In the afternoon, they visited the Paper and Cellulose Factory at Bais after taking their lunch in the same sawmill and were later interviewed by Mr. Bernardez of the Silliman University over their DYSR-DYH-4 broadcasting station, followed by a 2-hour conference with the forestry personnel at the district headquarters up to 11:30 P.M. Drinks were also served after this conference.

Before their departure the following day, Director Tamesis kindly planted the MSA-PHILCUSA TREE (Molave) and Forester Bedard, the "BEDARD TREE" (Narra) at Legaspi St., this city.—FA.

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FORESTRY ACTIVE IN MISAMIS ORIENTAL

Sr. Ranger-Scaler Anselmo S. Garcia underscored the importance of forests in a speech delivered before teachers in connection with their "Work Shop Project" under the auspices of the Bureau of Public Schools on August 1, 1952. Provincial Forester Vicente Marababol together with Sr. Ranger-Scaler Garcia and Sr. Forest Guard Macario Cabaraban attended the lecture given by Justice Robert Simmons of Nebraska, U.S.A. at the Ateneo Gym in Cagayan de Oro City on August 4, 1952. Ty. Ranger Eulogio T. Tagudar attended the Work Shop Project at Salay under the auspices of the Bureau of Public Schools. On the same date, Jr. Forester and Lumber Inspector G. L. Santos was the guest speaker of the Gingoog Institute. For. Santos delivered an extemporaneous talk on the significance of forests at a convention held by the High School Department of the Institute. In his capacity as Vice-Chairman of the 1952 Boy Scouts Fair, Forester Marababol attended the inaugural parade of the Boy Scout Fair held in Cagayan de Oro City in conjunction with the city's fiesta on August 23. On August 26, the local forestry office participated in the Cry of Balintawak celebration and on August 31, in National Heroes Day celebration during which the local forestry force offered a wreath in honor of the Tiano Brothers.

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PROV. GOVERNOR'S SINCERITY TO HIS PEOPLE AGAIN DEMONSTRATED IN ACTION

Provincial Governor Bandoquillo of Negros Oriental, together with several chiefs of provincial and national offices, including Provincial Forester Fernando Atmosfera inspected Guihulngan, Vallehermoso, and Canlaon, 3 northernmost towns of this province from September 1 to 3, 1952. Joint sessions by the Provincial Board and respective Municipal Councils were held at the Municipal Building of each municipality inspected, with the chiefs of offices being present to answer questions brought up.

The trip was a success despite the stormy weather when the party was in Canlaon.—FA

GOVERNOR WARNS FOREST INFRACTORS

Quezon Governor Vicente Constantino told his crowd in a speech occasioned by his visit to Calauag on August 17, 1952, the importance of forest reserves and warned that illegal kaiñgineros would be punished according to law. Earlier, the Governor personally asked Officer-in-charge Eusebio I. Villanueva about the criminal complaints filed by the local forestry office with the court against illegal kaiñgineros. Ranger Villanueva explained to the Governor that the areas cleared were inside the Cunalum Forest Reserve which has been established for watershed protection and experiment ground for special studies of the Bureau of Forestry under Proclamation No. 384 dated May 19, 1931.

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RANGER GALLEGO JOINS GOVERNOR'S PARTY

In view of the pressure of his work, Provincial Forester Inocencio Ramirez designated Ranger Pedro Gallego to represent him in the official trip of the Governor and party to the towns in the southern part of the province. Town officials were asked to freely air their grievances against any government office inasmuch as each office was represented in the party. First stop was Silago whose mayor took up with Ranger Gallego the resolution on communal forest. Hinunangan was the second stop. Here a short conference was conducted in the municipal building. Gallego satisfactorily answered questions propounded him relative to various fees and preparation of gratuitous licenses. A formal conference was held at Hinundayan in which the council headed by the mayor asked the possibility of giving the people of the municipality a communal forest in Dinagat Island. Gallego promised to bring the matter to the attention of the provincial forester. In Anawahan, the municipal treasurer complained about the difficulty of collecting the invoices submitted by a certain forest guard. Other stopping places were Cabalian, Liloan, Pintuyan, Macrohon and Malitbog, and Sogod.

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CORALES TELLS MAYORS OF REFORESTATION NECESSITY

Provincial Forester Juan Corales in his address before the convention of the municipal mayors of Cebu underscored the pressing necessity for reforestation work in the province. The task, the provincial forester told his audience, is very costly and laborious, yet it should be done as no magic formula can be relied upon to restore overnight the once natural virgin forests which had been destroyed by irresponsible persons. The convention was held November 8, 1952. Forester Corales was taken by

Governor Osmeña, Jr. in an airplane ride along with mayors and other officials to observe Cebu towns.

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"SEPTEMBER AFFAIR"

Forestry Arbor Day speakers were headed by Director Florencio Tamesis who spoke over DZFM on September 11, 1952, on the importance of Arbor Day. Jr. Forester Segundo P. Fernandez, Chief, Public Relations Section, delivered speeches at the Rizal Elementary School in Pasay City and at the NDC Compound.

Provincial Forester Rafael Navallasca pointed out the evil of kaingin and the importance of forest protection in the speeches he gave on September 20 and 25, 1952. The speeches were delivered in community assemblies in which the provincial governor and most of the provincial chiefs of offices were present. Governor Juan C. Pajo of Bohol, who always emphasized forest protection and conservation in his speeches, planted a molave tree in Plaza Rizal during Arbor Day.

Other speakers were Forest Guard Feliciano Bahin of Tacloban Forest Station who also planted narra and banaba trees; and Forest Guard Artemio Descallar of Tagbilaran Forest Station who imparted two speeches on the eve of Arbor Day. Acting Officer in Charge Domingo C. Ramirez was the guest speaker in an arbor day literary-musical program held by the Jasaan Central School on September 8, 1952. The work of the Bureau of Forestry was the subject of the speech delivered by Officer in Charge Nicolas Ulep as guest speaker of the Zamboanga Provincial High School. The importance of birds and forest conservation was underscored by Ty. Ranger Sotero Gumabao of Tandoc Forest Station in his speeches delivered at Siruma and Bo. Vito, Camarines Sur. Palawan High School had for its guest speaker Ranger Aristoteles Vinoya of Pto. Princesa Forest Station. Informative talks on forestry were likewise given by Longinos M. Espinosa of San Jose Forest Station, Antique; Manuel L. Tuting and Sr. Forest Guard Simeon B. Gianzon of the same station; Ty. Ranger Gordiano L. Cinches of Tagbilaran Forest Station; Sr. Ranger Wenceslao B. Soriano of Mamburao Forest Station; and Forest Guard Fermin Sol of Sipocot Forest Station. Ty. Ranger Crispin A. Getubig of Calamba Forest Station in Misamis Occidental supervised the planting of different species in the municipal plaza of Calamba.

In Dumaguete City, Provincial Forester Fernando Atmosfera's speeches dealt on the significance of Arbor Day, problems of the district office and the relationship of the office with that of the municipal treasurer. Jr. Forester Marcelino Genove and Forest

Guard Flaviano L. Duran were also Arbor Day speakers.

In Misamis Oriental, Ranger Eulogio T. Tagudar told a group of teachers how they could play an important role in the conservation of our natural resources and reforestation of our denuded areas in a speech delivered at Gingoog Central School on September 27, 1952.

September was a period of unusual activity for local forestry according to Provincial Forester Vicente Marababol. On September 20, the local forestry participated in the tree planting rite in which City Mayor Max Y. Suniel of Cagayan de Oro City planted the "Escoda Tree" at the GSP Compound at the Corrales Avenue. In connection with the Citizenship Day on September 22, the senior Girl Scouts of the local Pilgrim Institute took over the work of forestry personnel with the latter acting as consultants. The following day, the office participated in the tree planting ceremony held in honor of the late Aurora Quezon. Forester Marababol attended the burial of the late 2nd Lt. Apollo B. Tiano, a Korean casualty, on September 24. A press release prepared by the local forestry on the stoppage of the filing of miscellaneous applications was published in the "Mindanao Star". Other speakers and participants in the Arbor Day celebration were Deputy Forest Guards Epitacio D. Beltran, Exequiel Vidanga, and E. D. Arengo; Ranger Domingo O. Ramirez, Dalmacio Zablan, Vicente Vedad, Pedro R. Tuto, Officer in Charge Ildefonso Y. Basadre, and Anselmo S. Garcia.

Quezon forestry speakers were Jr. Forester Enrique K. Santos, Jr.; Ranger Braulio Libadia; Ty. Ranger Agapito A. Pueyo; Ranger Orlando Ordoñez; Benjamin Mopera; and Sixto Obnamia.

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TOWNSPEOPLE OF GINGOOG HONOR FAO MECHANICAL LOGGING TRAINEES

The FAO Mechanical Logging trainees were honored by the townspeople of Gingoog on the 28th and 29th of November with a reception and dance. Members of the Provincial Board, municipal government officials and prominent persons of Gingoog, Bureau of Forestry personnel, representatives of the local civic organizations and the employees of the Anakan Lumber Company met the visiting trainees at the wharf of the Anakan Lumber Company at Anakan, Gingoog, Misamis Oriental and gave them a rousing welcome. On the following night, a reception and dance was given in their honor at the town's tennis court. Native folk dances contributed and presented by the different local public and private schools were rendered to entertain the foreigners and to make the occasion more lively. A crowd composed of approximately 2,000 persons, big-

gest so far accorded to any visiting group, witnessed the occasion.

Gregorio Zamuco, a U.P. Professor also head of the delegation and members of the staff of the FAO Training center, accompanied the party.

This tour is one of the major stops being conducted.

The party spent three days and two nights at Gingoog and from there they proceeded to Buenavista, Agusan and will emplane for Basilan City.

Prominent persons who attended the reception and dance were the following Mayor Julio Ganaban, Board Members Vicente B. de Lara and Macario Cainglit, Provincial Forester Vicente R. Marababol, Officer in Charge Vicente Vedad, Municipal Councilors, prominent attorneys of the town, presidents and members of local civic organizations and others.

—Eulogio T. Tagudar

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FORESTRY OCTOBER AFFAIR

The municipal mayors of Occidental Mindoro heard Sr. Ranger-Scaler Wenceslao B. Soriano speak on the forest resources of the province. Provincial Forester Santos E. Dueñas prepared an article on "Edible Fruit Trees of Marinduque" for instructional purposes on social studies of the Grade V of the Santa Cruz Elementary School, Sta. Cruz, Marinduque. From Tacloban, Leyte, it was learned that Provincial Forester Inocencio Ramirez was one of those chosen by the provincial governor as member of the Board of Provincial Advisers. He was also chosen as chairman of the committee on natural resources exhibit of the province in the coming International Exposition.

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FAO TRAINEES HONORED IN AGUSAN

The trainees of the FAO Mechanical Logging Training Centre were accorded a warm welcome by provincial and city officials of Agusan headed by the provincial governor. The Agusan Lumber Producers' Association played host to the trainees in a luncheon given in their honor on November 1, 1952. The Nasipit Lumber Company helped a lot in making the stay of the guests most enjoyable and interesting.

Meanwhile, Regional Inspector Angel C. Mallonga revealed that a reception and ball was held at the PTA building in Butuan City in honor of the FAO mechanical logging trainees. The affair was under the World Scouting Day Program on November 6, 1952, and was very successful in view of the moral and financial support extended by the Chinese community and all other civic spirited citizens. Mayor Rodolfo D. Calo of Butuan City called upon each trainee after the program, either to dance or sing or speak before the public either in English or in their own language.

THAI TRAINEES GIVE TO TYPHOON

Sympathetic of the plight of the typhoon victims, the Thai delegates to the Mechanical Logging Training Centre set aside the amount of Seventy Pesos (P70.00) as their contribution to the relief fund the Manila Times is raising for the typhoon sufferers. The contribution was handed to Forester Tiburcio S. Serevo, Administrative Secretary of the Mechanical Logging Training Center, who turned it over to the Manila Times.

The trainees from Thailand are the following: Ravana Panomquan, Thaiy Makduangkeo, Mani Phol Intr, Vudhivarn Varsiri, Maitri Banturngsuk, Taow Sindhipongsa, and Montri Komes.

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U.S. FORESTER TOURS ORIENT

Mr. Tom Gill, a prominent American forester who was touring the Orient in preparation for the forthcoming World Forestry Congress proposed to be held sometime in 1954 in India, arrived in this country on October 18, 1952. A known Philippine forestry sympathizer, Forester Gill was met by Foresters P. San Buenaventura and V. Sajor of the forestry bureau who showed the former the progress made by the Philippine forest service. Mr. Gill called on Director Tamesis at the latter's office last October 20 and left for Taipeh, Formosa, the same day, expecting to be back in the Philippines by December.

Forester Gill is a member of the Standing Advisory Committee of the Forestry and Forest Products Division of the FAO, secretary of the Charles Lathrop Pack Forestry Foundation which founded the Tropical Plant Research Foundation under the U.S. National Research Council, a fellow in the Society of American Foresters, and executive officer of the International Society of Tropical Foresters of which eight Filipino Foresters are members, namely, Director Florencio Tamesis, Foresters Felipe R. Amos, Felix Q. Chinte, Eugenio de la Cruz, Calixto Mabesa, Valentin Sajor, Porfirio San Buenaventura and Tiburcio S. Severo.

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MARABABOL ASKS APO ABOUT BACKPAY

Taking advantage of the visit of President Quirino to Cagayan de Oro City, Provincial Forester asked the former about the backpay of the state employees. The President who arrived in the city on June 13, 1952, answered that the granting of backpay was his ambitious plan which past presidents never dared to launch.

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PERENNIAL DACAMS PREXY

Provincial Forester Vicente Marababol, again that man, was reelected president of the DACAMS in an annual election held by the president of the asso-

ciation for 1952-1953 on October 7, 1952. Other forestry personnel elected were Conrado Verendia, asst. treasurer; Anselmo S. Garcia, PRO; and Timoteo Quimpo, asst. secretary. The election was held in conjunction with the general conference of the agriculturists held from October 7 to 9, 1952, in which Director of Agricultural Extension Service Domingo Paguirigan and MSA officials attended. The visiting officials were treated to a welcome program by the DACAMS. Speakers in the affair were Governor Paciencia Ysalina and Director Paguirigan. Memorial trees were planted by the Director and Mr. Harper Johnson of the 4-H Clubs. Local forestry personnel headed by Forester Marababol supervised the planting rites.

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KNIGHTS FETE SAJOR

Sajor, that forester again! This time it was his fellow Knights of Columbus who honored him along with other distinguished Knights last November 5 in a monthly luncheon meeting held at the New Selecta on Dewey Boulevard. Guest speaker for the occasion was the Most Rev. Rufino J. Santos, D.D., Apostolic Administrator, Arch-diocese of Manila. Rev. George Willmann, S. J., Chaplain, officiated at the grace rites. A research coordinator at present in the Bureau of Forestry, Sr. Forester Sajor was recently admitted as a member of good standing this year to the American Society of Range Management which has for its objective the advancement of the science and art of range and pasture management.

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PRESS RELEASE

December 27, 1952

Domingo M. Lantican, Instructor of the U.P. College of Forestry left for Australia, on January 27, 1952 aboard a PAL plane, on a six months fellowship offered by the Australian Government under the Colombo plan. He will take courses in timber seasoning at the CASIR, Forest Products Laboratory in Melbourne.

Lantican hails from Los Baños Laguna, and graduated from the College of Forestry last April 1951.

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SAJOR AND RECTO HONORED

A sort of a welcome party was held in honor of Foresters Valentin Sajor and Cesar Recto by their friends and admirers last October 31st at the Central Office. The "Nepa merienda" was followed by a short program with short talks by Foresters P. San Buenaventura, Paul Bedard and Winslow Gooch. Foresters Placido Dacanay, Doroteo Soriano, Florencio Assidao and Jose Viado acted as interpellat-

ors. The honorees gave a round-up of their experiences in their respective trips.

Sr. Forester Valentin Sajor returned from a world tour last Sept. 13 after he attended as Philippine delegate the Sixth International Grassland Conference held at Pennsylvania State College. Forester Cesar Recto returned from the States after studying at the University of Washington under a fellowship grant.

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LOGANS DONATE LANDS FOR PUBLIC SERVICE

Two pieces of land were donated by the Logan family to the Municipal Council of Echague, Isabela. The first donation which is not as yet accepted by the Council consisted of 10,000 square meters for the construction of a central market in Echague. The second one which was accepted already consisted of 10,500 square meters for Barrio Dugayung public school site. The donors were assistant forester and Mrs. Jose B. Logan of the Bureau of Forestry, Manila, Mr. and Mrs. Felix B. Logan, and their two brothers, Esteban and Catalino, who are farmers living in Echague, Isabela. Mr. Felix B. Logan had been a high school teacher. His wife is at present taking Master of Education at U.P. —SPF

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PARRAS FINISHES DALE CARNEGIE COURSE

Forester Vicente Parras of the Bureau of Forestry division of concessions was one of the 30 members of the 7th class who finished the four-month Dale Carnegie Course on Public Speaking and Human Relations at the Manila Hotel last November. Forester Parras completed the course with flying colors, being a recipient of three awards, namely: 1st prize for most improvement in effective speaking; special award for achievement in effective speaking; and speech champion on the subject "What I Got Out of the Course".

The course is run by the Executive Training Institute of the Philippines under exclusive franchise from the Dale Carnegie Institute of America.—SPF

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FORESTRY LOSES A FRIEND

The government in general and the forestry bureau in particular lost a very good friend when Judge Catalino Buenaventura passed away on November 15, 1952, at 2:30 A.M., at the age of 62.

As member of the Solicitor-General's Office, Judge Buenaventura handled important court cases for the Bureau of Forestry involving alienation of big tracts of forest lands. The government would have lost million of pesos worth of property in the form of forest lands were it not for his ability and great

devotion to public interest. Director Tamesis cited two prominent cases: one, in Negros Occidental, and the other, the Ramirez, et. al. case in Laguna, both involving thousands of hectares. In both cases the government lost in the Court of First Instance, but the higher court reversed the decisions through the untiring efforts of Judge Buenaventura.

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DIPOLOG CARNIVAL AND FAIR

The Bureau of Forestry is the only branch of the National Government that participated in the Dipolog Carnival and Fair held September 27 to October 15, 1952 in Dipolog, Zamboanga del Norte. The carnival was sponsored by the local Lions Clubs to raise funds for the purchase of fire-fighting equipment for the use of Dipolog. Responsible for forestry participation was Officer in Charge Nicolas Ulep who solicited contributions from friends and sympathizers.

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THANKFUL FOR SOFT DRINKS

Provincial Forester Vicente Marababol, president of the DACAMS, sent a letter of thanks to the Cagayan Coca-Cola Plant in Cagayan de Oro City for the 4 cases of coca-cola and 3 cases of true-orange which the latter graciously donated during the affair of the association.

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A CREDIT TO OUR LUMBER INDUSTRY

As the Mechanical Logging Training Centre, the Philippines, particularly its lumber industry, enjoys the privilege of playing host to 43 trainees from 11 other countries of the Far East. The training period covers 6 months from October this year through March 1953.

The choice of our country as training centre is in effect a recognition of the advance made in modern logging operation. The trainees say certain methods of forest operation they observe here are unknown in their respective countries.

Director of the Training Centre is Mr. H. G. Keith with Mr. Florencio Tamesis as Co-Director. The six-month course has 5 centers of training, which started in the College of Forestry Campus at Los Baños in October. The other centers are Butuan City, Basilan City, Negros Occidental, and Bobok, Mt. Province.

At Los Baños the trainees have received the necessary background and fundamental knowledge of mechanical methods of logging.

Now in its second phase, the training at the Nasipit Lumber Company at Tuñgao, Agusan, will enable the trainees to study and observe the use of heavy equipment for road building, trucks for log

transportation and the use of tractors and donkey engines in logging, as well as the various methods of loading and unloading logs from trucks and taking them to the mills or markets.

In December the training will move to the logging camp of the Basilan Lumber Co., at Basilan Island, Mindanao. Here the trainees will see the use of heavy mechanical equipment in logging and the various methods of operation.

The use of railroad as a major means of log transportation to the mill will be the main feature of the training at the Insular Lumber Co. in Negros Occidental during the month of January next year. Also awaiting the trainees is the most modern manufacturing plant engaged in export production.

February will find the trainees in the logging camp of the Benguet Consolidated Mining Co. at Bobok, Mt. Province, where they will observe logging in the pine forest and the use of aerial tramways and skyline logging method.

The trainees will round off their training at Los Baños in March.

CAMARINES NORTE FOREST RESOURCES SUBJECT OF TALK

Acting Provincial Forester Epifanio B. Fernandez joined the other DANR bureaus and the Public Welfare Commissioner in a community assembly on November 21, 1952, at Labo, Camarines Norte. Forester Fernandez discussed the forest resources of the province in a meeting held at the assembly hall of the Labo Institute.

SOTTO COMMUNITY ASSEMBLY SPEAKER

Ranger-Scaler Lucio N. Sotto of the Forest District 16 in Daet, Camarines Norte, spoke on general forestry matters in the community assembly held in Barrio Alawihao, Daet, on November 29, 1952, upon the invitation of councilor elect Mrs. Esperanza Magana.

GINGOOG WELCOMES FAO TRAINEES

A reception and dance was tendered by the townspeople of Gingoog in honor of the FAO mechanical Logging Trainees and instructors on November 28, 1952. Folk dances depicting different customs and cultures of the country were presented by the various public and private schools of Gingoog, Misamis Oriental. Welcome speeches were delivered by the municipal mayor and board member Vicente de Lara. The provincial governor's message was read by Provincial Forester Vicente R. Marababol. The head of the delegation, Prof. Gregorio Zamuco gave the response speech lauding the people of Gingoog for the generosity and hospitality they have lavished upon the trainees.

The trainees were met by a big party headed by

Officer in Charge Vicente Vedad. Garlands and flowers were pinned to each member of the delegation. Responsible for the success of the affair were Vicente Vedad of the local forestry, municipal mayor, board Member Vicente de Lara, Municipal Councilors, president of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, president of local civic organizations and as a whole the townspeople of Gingoog.

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BF PRO LECTURES TO MLQEI STUDENTS

Jr. Forester Segundo P. Fernandez, chief of public relations section of the bureau of forestry, acquainted some faculty members and high school students of the M.L.Q. Educational Institution with the functions and accomplishments of the Bureau of Forestry. The lecture which was given on December 18, 1952 was featured by an open forum during which Forester Fernandez satisfactorily answered all questions asked by the students as well as faculty members.

BF CENTRAL OFFICE X'MAS PROGRAM

The personnel of the Bureau of Forestry Central Office held their annual Yuletide program under the auspices of the Forestry Circle on December 23, 1952, Tuesday, 5:30 P.M. at the Forestry building.

Forester P. San Buenaventura, in his Christmas message, struck a note of optimism for the Bureau of Forestry for the coming year. He bared that new positions were created which await presidential authority for filling up. In the budget hearing for the next fiscal year, Forester San Buenaventura further averred that there is an increase of about a million in the Bureau's appropriation as compared with that of the current fiscal year. He praised Director Florencio Tamesis for the latter's earnest efforts in promoting the interest of the service and his personnel.

Director Florencio Tamesis, who delivered the closing remarks, imparted his advice on how to live a Christian life. The forestry director read a letter from ex-Director and Mrs. Fischer extending their season's greetings to forestry personnel, Mr. Morato and friends in the lumber game and from the Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources. Mr. Fischer commented on Philippine politics and hoped that the BF and the UP would not be dragged into the mess. He also mentioned Defense secretary Magsaysay who he said has made a good name in the United States for handling the Huk problem.

The program consisted of "Forestry Circle Ensemble," opening remarks by Forester Florencio Asidao, declamation by Esther Mella and Renato Patacil, harmonica selection by Romualdo Martinez,

vocal solo by V. R. Fernandez and Eduardo G. Lallas, and violin solo by Roman Callanta.

Native songs and ballad rendition were made in various dialects like Tagalog, Ibanag, Visaya, Bicol, and Pangasinan. "Esperanza" folk dance under the direction of Miss Felicidad Fernandez of the Dr. A. Albert Elementary School was performed by Josefina Vinluan Enrique Canlas, Jr.; Francisca Halabaso-Jaime Salunga; Leonila Magbojos-Roman Callanta; Cora Cuba-Corleto Castro; Emma Tumaneng-Eusebio Abaquin; and Delia Habito-Arturo Alli, all employees of the Bureau of Forestry.

Mass singing of "Silent Night" and "Joy to the World" made the Yuletide atmosphere jollier with soul-lifting spirit. The traditional exchange of gifts climaxed the program which was followed by a dance.—SPF

TIMBER CONSERVATION URGED BY LUMBER MAN

Two vital problems which the lumber industry must have to meet to survive the onslaught of increasing costs in wages, taxes and of material to be able to maintain its position in the world market, are those of increased utilization and of scientific preservation of the timber resources of the country. G. S. Mañalac, lumber producer-exporter said, of reduced taxes or lowered wages will save the yesterday. No amount of artificial aid in the form of industry for the next ten years if the government and the men directly concerned with the industry do not unite to solve these two pressing problems.

The sawmills in the Philippines today utilize only about 35% to 50% of the timber volume in producing marketable sawn lumber and the rest goes to waste. This, indeed, is a great drain on our timber resources. In Japan, every portion of a timber has a special utility value so that notwithstanding the fact that Japanese lumbermen have to import a big portion of their log requirements, they can still maintain themselves in the lumber market at home and abroad.

The bureau of forestry which has been rightly dubbed the best organized and the best managed bureau in our government by the Bell Mission seems helpless to cope with the problems in view of lack of personnel and of funds to carry on an effective program to meet these problems.

MORE ON FORESTER SAJOR.

VALENTIN SAJOR was a Philippine delegate to the Sixth International Grassland Congress which was held in State College, Pennsylvania, August 17 through September 7, 1952, and attended by around 1,500 participants representing 53 countries. Two papers were read by Sajor—"Forest Grazing in the

Philippines" and "Philippine Grasses". The congress was implemented by tours wherein he joined the Midwestern Tour Group which covered the states of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Iowa and Wisconsin. At Madison, Wisconsin, Sajor and a Yale cograduate Prof. Eugenio de la Cruz '27 M.F. were initiated to the fraternal order of lumbermen and foresters known as the International Concatenated Order of Hoo-Hoo under the Dane Country Hoo-Hoo Club No. 103 on September 12, 1952. Cruz at the time was then visiting the Madison Forest Products Laboratory as a part of his 6-month training program under MSA auspices. Sajor visited the Fairchild Tropical Garden at Miami, Florida, including Key West the southernmost U.S. city. In Washington, D.C. he attended a meeting on September 25, 1952 of the Washington Section of the Society of American Foresters wherein Sajor is a senior member. Thereafter, he visited New Heaven and met Dean Carratt, Professor Chapman, Cromie and Lutz including Yale Forestry Librarian Dr. F. M. Bolton, from whom Sajor borrowed his 1927-M.F. Thesis entitled "FOREST GRAZING". He returned to the Philippines via Europe also visiting the parks of Brussels, London, Madrid and Rome. In Rome, he had special audience with the Holy Father at Castle Gandolfo on October 10. He left Manila on August 13 and returned on October 13 making exactly two months "round-the-world" trip—40 days in U.S., 10 days air-travel. Accordingly, Sajor met several fellow-delegates in the International Grassland Congress graduates from the University of Idaho, where he received his B.S.F. under grazing curriculum, in 1926. Sajor is also a member of the Society of American Foresters, the American Society of Range Management and the International Society of Tropical Foresters.

ATTENTION RANGERS

(At the author's request, we are publishing this self-explanatory letter with the hope that it will reach all rangers concerned.)

Dear co-worker:

In connection with Republic Act No. 186 and my letter dated March 4, 1952 addressed to Forester Florencio Tamesis of Forestry, Manila published in Vol. V, No. 4, October, 1952, Forestry Leaves, I am enclosing herewith a copy of my self-explanatory letter dated Jan. 1, 1953, to the members of the law-making body (the President of the Senate, the Speaker, House of Representatives, the Chairman, Committee of Forestry, the Chairman, Committee or Revision of Laws) for your information and whatever help you can extend on this move. As this matter, if it successfully attained its objective, it will not only benefit one, but all of us, the rangers concerned. It is requested that everyone should write his congress-

man, other congressmen and senators who may be sympathetic to us, by requesting them to work and support the amendment sought for with the end in view of acquiring the automatic Forester Eligibility for rangers. If we will not move to help ourselves, who will care to lend us a hand to help us? So, at the session of Congress, it will be the opportune time for us to tell the law-makers that we, too, need help Forester Eligibility the same as that gift given to the graduates of the Philippine Normal School and the Philippine School of Arts and Trades as provided in Republic Act No. 186. Let us get busy now, for tomorrow may be too late. If the Philippine Normal School graduates with 49 units credit were given the automatic eligibility as Senior Teacher, the Rangers credited with 107 units, more than deserve the same privilege—FORESTER ELIGIBILITY under the same Act.

For this purpose, it should have been better, if we could petition as a body, but since there is no more material time to accomplish the petition, it may not harm us to try to write individually. We shall perhaps have a better chance, if some among us who have good connections with some of the members of the law-making body could personally contact and request those law-makers to work for the amendment. It is hoped, that those who have the connection will not be selfish enough to lend a willing heart to do the job of lobbying. Remember, this is for your own good, my own good, and for the good of all rangers concerned. And so, please, strike while the iron is hot. Election is coming. Everybody likes to help. Get busy. This is only an idea from a single head, the author's. Any move for the improvement so as to attain the objective successfully is always welcome.

In this place where I am now working, there is no roster for the employees of the Bureau of Forestry, where I can get information of the whereabouts of our comrades. Please help me disseminate this valuable attempt to other rangers, so that they can also help us work on this matter.

Your co-worker,

BRUNO ABIOG

Sr. Ranger

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TRAINING MEN FOR INDUSTRY

One of the most significant papers delivered at the recent session of the Deep South Section of the Forest Products Research Society at Memphis was that of Prof. Richard F. West on the subject of training men for industry, the theme of this paper being: "Does industry need college-trained men; and, if so, are these men adequately trained in relation to what industry expects?"

To the first clause of this question there would seem to be but one answer in these enlightened days:

Industry, meaning specifically the lumber industry, does indeed need college-trained men. The industry itself, generally speaking, recognizes this fact to-day, having come a long way from the time when any college graduate was viewed with more or less suspicion by the so-called "practical" lumberman. Opinions may differ as to whether the men being turned out by the colleges to-day are adequately trained for what their prospective employers expect them to do.

Originally, as Prof. West points out, the only schools aspiring to train men for work in the lumber business were the forestry schools. These early courses of training were pretty well confined to the basic principles of forest protection and management, and the graduates were admittedly specialists. Gradually the courses of study developed and expanded to include logging engineering, wood utilization and utilization techniques, wood technology, design, research, etc., and to-day courses are available in various highly specialized fields. Admittedly, the graduates in these courses are not equipped to assume immediately positions of executive control in lumber organizations, but they can bring to such organizations a capacity for adapting the processes of the industry to more advanced and more profitable methods of production, distribution and utilization. The industry can use such men to advantage.

Prof. West is right in emphasizing the fact that research will play an important part in the future of wood utilization. He is also right in saying: "But research will be of little avail unless industry can apply the results of research to their own operations. To do this, industry needs men trained in the science of wood." Granting that the training courses available to-day are not perfect and leave something to be desired, the men produced by these training courses constitute a highly valuable potential asset for the industry. The schools are doing a good job in turning out technically trained men. The lumbermen should provide jobs for these men and assist them in applying their training to the solution of the practical problems of the industry.

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ALAS SEEKS CUT IN LUMBER TAXES

Antonio de las Alas, in his capacity as president of the Philippine Lumber Producers' Association, Inc., pleaded for the reduction of taxes and charges now currently paid by the lumber industry.

In a letter addressed to Congressman Cipriano S. Allas, chairman of the ways and means committee of the lower house, De las Alas submitted for consideration a proposed revision of the tax structure with a view to relieving the industry of excessive taxes. He pointed out the unfairness of continuing with the—

(a) 17% foreign exchange on imports of machin-

eries and spare parts which are utilized by the industry in replacing spare parts which are utilized by the industry and expanding the business;

(b) 2% import license tax on the c.i.f. value of machineries, equipment, spare parts, accessories, etc. imported for use in the industry;

(c) 7% compensating tax based on the total of the c.i.f. value of the items imported; and

(d) Wharfage fees of ₱0.60 per cubic meter of logs and flitches, when loading is not actually done in a government wharf.

He was most vehement in condemning the imposition of the 5% tax on the export of logs and lumber abroad on f.o.b. basis. He pointed out the inequity and the unfair interpretation of the law by the authorities in considering exports under this arrangement as "local sales." This arrangement defeats the very purpose and intention of our Congress in repealing the export taxes from our statute books in order to encourage the development of the country's export industries, De las Alas averred.

In order to help the industry survive by lowering the cost of production and make the lumber business remunerative and encouraging, he proposed further the reduction by 50% of the forest and reforestation, inspection and license fees now currently imposed.

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INTERNATIONAL CONCATENATED ORDER OF HOO-HOO—Manila Club No. 141

Membership list of the Manila Chapter of the International Concatenated Order of Hoo-Hoo, a fraternal order of lumbermen, foresters and others identified with the lumber industry, includes the following Filipino Foresters:

1. Felipe R. Amos
2. P. San Buenaventura
3. Eugenio de la Cruz
4. Miguel A. Eugenio
5. Felix Franco
6. Guillermo Ponce
7. Luis J. Reyes
8. Valentin Sajor
9. Adriano V. Santos
10. Carlos Sulit
11. Florencio Tamesis
12. Conrado D. Tongco
13. Juan S. Versoza

Foresters Cruz and Sajor were admitted into the order on September 12, 1953 in Madison, Wisconsin while they were visiting the U.S. Forest Products Laboratory.

During the first 1953 regular meeting of the Manila Hoo-Hoo Club No. 141 held at the Dao Room of the Manila Hotel on January 9, 1953. Forester Sajor gave a talk describing the different PARKS he visited during his last trip around the world in

connection with his attendance as an official delegate to the Sixth International Grassland Congress held at the State College, Pennsylvania, U.S.A., participated by around 1,500 delegates from 53 countries.

Forester Placido Dacanay, one of the invited guests talked on the different species that thrive well along seacoasts in different parts of the Philippines.

The discussion of the different topics during the meeting was presided by Forester Juan S. Versoza, the present Scrivenoter of Manila Hoo-Hoo Club No. 141.

The young soldier was one of the more badly wounded in the ward. But he was trying his best to be hopeful.

"I'll be able to walk all right," he assured me, "as soon as they get me fixed up with new legs."

"What do you want to do when you get out?" I asked him.

"We've got a garage and taxi business at home," he said. "I like cars. I always figured to stick right there and carry on the business. Dad's getting along in years."

"Then you're all set," I said.

"Well. . . ." For the first time a note of doubt crept into his voice. "My father's talking of selling out. He doesn't think I'll be able to get around well enough."

A picture came to my mind—a picture from the past. I decided to tell him about it.

"In 1932," I said, "I had an appointment to interview a man for an article about him. We talked in his study, and then he offered to show me how he was operating his place as a tree farm.

"I went outside to wait, while he finished up some work at his desk. A little open car was in the driveway at the front door.

"After a few minutes, my host appeared in a wheel chair. Two husky men picked him up bodily, lifted him down the steps and into the driver's seat of the car. I got in beside him and we drove off. He had attachments on the car which made it possible for him to manage it entirely with his hands. He drove along as if manipulating that machine were the most natural thing in the world.

"He was exuberant about his crop of Christmas trees, his stand of oak, his seedlings. When I had seen it all, we drove back to the house. The two men lifted him out of the car and into the wheel chair, and he went back to his desk.

"You might like to tell your father about it," I said to the soldier, "if he's afraid you won't be able to run that garage. Because that man held down the biggest job in this country."

"The President?" said the soldier.

"Yes, the President."

—ARTHUR BARTLET.