



**Judge D. Jaranilla**

Displaying a steadiness acquired from many years on the firing line in both rifle and pistol events, Judge Delfin Jaranilla, former president of NRPA, romped away for the second consecutive year with the 12 gauge Open Skeet Championship of the Philippines at the Cosmopolitan Gun Club last July 9.

The judge unlimbered his cover-and-under 12 gauge to make a possible in the first string of 25 shoots. This possible must have unnerved the rest of the competitors for the former NRPA president was a good three points ahead of the nearest competitor when the final scores were chalked up. He made a 90 out of 100 birds, with Mr. Martinez, a comparatively newcomer, second with 90, and Mr. O. C. Roehr, third another 90.

In the shoot-off, Martinez outranked Roehr.

Both Messrs. R. C. Staight and Tom Myers failed to come through,

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Judge Delfin Jaranilla on the No. 1 stand, ready to fire the first bird from the trap house.



Lt. John L. Hitching of the 16th Bombardment Squadron, U.S.A., stationed at Nichols Field, Organizer and officer of the Nichols Field Pistol Club. It was Lt. Hitching who encouraged gun enthusiasts and popularized Pistol and Rifle Competitions in the islands. He started the Philippine Pistol Championship shoots way back in 1929 at Nichols Field Pistol Club ranges. Since then he made it an annual event, held it in November every year, up to 1933.

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target rifles, of course, should be equipped with strong swivels and a wide flexible leather adjustable gun sling.

For African and Indian big game hunting, it is recommended that a choice be made from the following: caliber 30-06; caliber 9.3 x 62 Mauser; caliber 10.75 x 68; 404 Magnum; caliber .375 or .475 Magnum for bolt action magazine rifles.

Practically every English big game rifle is assembled on a Mauser action, made only in the Mauser factory and imported from Germany into England. There are 20 different Genuine Mauser actions. Each of these action is designed and made for a particular cartridge and should not be altered or converted for any other cartridge.

For the largest and most dangerous game, it is particularly recommended a double barrel rifle chambered for the .475 No. 2 Nitro Express shooting a 480 grain metal covered bullet with a foot pound muzzle energy, approximately 5,152, although numerous popular cartridges closely approximate this performance.

The double barrel rifle is really two individual rifles built as one. Two shots can be fired with greatest speed. Even with a broken hammer or defective cartridge, it still functions, thereby rendering it the safest protection in an emergency against dangerous game.

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although the latter is credited with having made more than 100 straight consecutive birds in skeet.

Last year, when the first Open Skeet Championship was held, Judge Jaranilla also came out on top, and his feat this year is truly remarkable.

The field of competitors was not very large this year, with only eight members competing. The failure of the Baguio shooters to make the trip to the lowlands accounted in part for the small number of entries. Furthermore, veteran shots like Doc Waterous, A. D. Hileman, Roy Thorson, and a few others, failed to enter the match.

The results of the second Skeet championship follow:

1st.—Judge Jaranilla	— 25 — 21 — 24 — 23 — 93
2nd.—Martinez	— 22 — 23 — 23 — 22 — 90
3rd.—Roehr	— 23 — 22 — 21 — 24 — 90
4th.—Staight (R.C.)	— 21 — 21 — 22 — 24 — 88
5th.—Myers (Tom)	— 21 — 23 — 22 — 21 — 87
6th.—Curtis	— 22 — 23 — 21 — 21 — 87
7th.—Norton	— 20 — 20 — 23 — 19 — 82
8th.—Alvarez	— 20 — 21 — 20 — 20 — 81