

# *The Year In Review*

## **RECORDS BROKEN. CRACK SHOTS DEVELOPED AND INTER-CLUB MATCHES HELD**

The Board of Governors  
Philippine Amateur Athletic Federation  
Manila, Philippines

Gentlemen:

I have the honor to submit a report on the shooting activities of the National Rifle and Pistol Association of the Philippines during the past year, as follows:

A decided improvement in the scores made during the past year in both rifle and pistol matches was noted. This improvement is specially significant because of the proximity of the Olympic Games next year, and should give us cause for optimism in the ability of our shooters to hold their own in the international matches in Finland in 1940.

With a view to training our shooters for the coming World Olympics, we have instituted a series of matches exactly similar to those held at the last Berlin Olympics. This was made possible through the generosity of Don Jorge L. Araneta and the D-M-H-M Publications, donors of trophies in the pistol and rifle events, respectively. In fact, several persons interested in developing the shooting skill of our citizens donated cups and medals during the past 12 months for various events, including General Guillermo B. Francisco, Chief of Constabulary, former Speaker Gil Montilla, Perfecto Cruz, Dr. Vergel de Dios, Jose Teehankee, Tomas Navarro, Ramon Villamor, Dr. Jose Alberto, and Pedro Escalambre. These trophies were donated in addition to the regular set of medals given by the association for other events.

Among the outstanding records made during this period was the score of 299 out of a possible 300 points made by A. von Einsiedel of the University of the Philippines, during the Philippine Exposition .22 caliber rifle championship, one point lower than the world's record set by Dr. Rogeberg of Sweden in Berlin. It is to be noted that the score made by the Philippine representative to the Berlin Olympics was 296 points, placing fourth, a score which has been bettered by half a dozen local shooters at actual competition these past 12 months. Felix Cortes, holder of various national championships in the pistol, also shot consistently above 510 out of a possible 600 points in the 50 meters pistol event. Mr. Cortes

is at present in the United States on a pleasure trip, where he will attend the American national matches in Camp Perry this September. For the first time since General Basilio Valdes offered his trophy three years ago, rifle shooters made perfect scores, thus tying pistolmen headed by Messrs. Cortes, who holds two legs of the cup, Ramon Villamor, Dr. Jose Alberto, Porfirio Soriano and Lt. Carlos Quirino. The tie will be broken within the next few weeks.

Although emphasis has been laid on events which will develop a handful of shooters good enough for international competition, the average shooter was not forgotten. Since it is discouraging for the average shooter to enter topflight competition, the association arranged for a series of Classification Shoots in order to keep their interest in the sport. Special handicap and tyro matches were also held for this purpose. To encourage the sport in the provinces, several postal and inter-club matches were held in Cebu, Baguio, Malolos, and elsewhere. NRPA teams, it need not be added, won the greater majority of these events, partly due to their greater competitive experience. Incidentally, in the duel postal meet with the Saigon Federation Cochinchinoise de Tir et Preparation Militaire, held nearly a year ago, the scores made by the local teams in all three events were very much higher than those of Saigon, such that no real competition existed between the two countries.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

1. To accustom our shooters with the best type of firearms, we strongly recommend that suitable pistols and rifles for Olympic competition be purchased this year in order that our best shooters may be trained in their use. For example, at the last Berlin Olympics, our representatives bought the Udo pistol only one week prior to the matches. Their scores would undoubtedly have been higher had they been better acquainted with the new arm.

2. In the event that Mr. Felix Cortes proceeds to Finland next year, that he be named as a member of the Philippine delegation in the pistol event without further need of a competitive try-out. His past record fully establishes him as our premier pistol shooter.

Respectfully,

(SGD.) CARLOS QUIRINO  
NRPA Delegate to the PAAF Meeting  
of the Board of Governors.

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July 29, 1939

Dr Regino Ylanan  
Secretary-Treasurer  
Philippine Amateur Athletic Federation  
Manila

Dear Dr. Ylanan:

In connection with the annual report submitted by the undersigned to the Board of Governors of the PAAF, kindly include the attached two pages containing the national pistol and rifle championships for 1938, the Trap and Skeet Championships, and notable scores made during a registered match in 1938-39.

Furthermore, kindly insert the additional recommendation:

“Membership of the PAAF in the Union Internationale de Tir is strongly recommended by the NRPA in order that records made in the Philippines be recognized abroad. The Union has its offices at 46 Rue de Provence, Paris.”

Yours sincerely,

(SGD.) CARLOS QUIRINO

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**NATIONAL RIFLE & PISTOL ASSOCIATION**  
**1938 National Pistol Championship**  
**.22 caliber**

**60 shots, slow fire, at 50 meters, International Targets**

<b>CONTESTANTS</b>	<b>SCORES</b>
1. Felix Cortes	496 x 600
2. Ramon Villamor	487
3. H. T. Castelo	481
4. A. von Einsiedel	477
5. Otoniel Gonzaga	468
6. B. Boone	467
7. Jose C. Alberto	464
8. Miss Eva Estrada	457
9. Dr. A. Teehankee	441
10. B. Ronquillo	440
11. R. Pansacola	433
12. Ramon Soler	427

13. Gregorio Lugtu	420
14. B. Austria	415
15. P. E. Lewin	402
16. Augusto Salas	400
17. Enrique Katigbak	393
18. Lt. Adolfo Eufemio	389
19. Dr. R. Villaroman	342
20. A. E. William	291

**1938 National Rifle Championship  
.22 caliber**

**40 shots, slow fire, International Course, at 50 & 100 meters**

	50M	100M	Total
1. Cesar Jayme	197	198	395 x 400
2. Felix Cortes	198	193	391
3. Delfin Jaranilla, Jr.	196	194	390
4. Tom Highsmith	192	196	388
5. Frank W. Casebeer	192	196	388
6. Victor Baltazar	199	189	388
7. Carlos Quirino	192	194	386
8. Dr. Jose C. Alberto	193	193	386
9. F. Alegre	193	192	385
10. Albert von Einsiedel	188	195	383
11. P. E. Lewin	189	193	382
12. Esteban H. Ferrer	192	190	382
13. Roy Dixon	193	189	382
14. Dr. Ramon Soler	186	195	381
15. Vicente Manuel	193	187	380
16. Ramon Villareal	187	191	378
17. J. Mata	191	186	377
18. J. Hoggle	186	188	374
19. Felix P. Wijangco	197	173	370

(NOTE: The winner established a new Far Eastern record, 2 points better than that of Mr. Dixon who won the 1934 Far Eastern Olympics in this event.)

**National .45 Caliber Pistol Championship**

**20 shots at 20 yards and 20 shots at 50 yards, slow fire,  
USRA Targets.**

CONTESTANTS	SCORES
1. Felix Cortes	355 x 400
2. Lt. Williamson	331
3. Lt. Col. Ramos	324
4. Mrs. F. Cortes	322
5. Duffell	318
6. Dr. V. de Dios	317

7. Dr. J. C. Alberto	315
8. F. I. Calfee	306
9. Gregorio Lugtu	305
10. W. E. Hammers	304
11. B. Boone	299
12. Pedro Mabanta	291
13. E. G. Cowan	287
14. Modesto F. Flores	282
15. McNally	270
16. R. E. Johnson	251
17. Williams Alvin	244

1939 National Skeet champion ----- D. Jaranilla, Sr. 93 x 100  
 1939 National 12 gauge champion ----- Tom Myers, 192 x 200  
 (Shotgun events were held at the Cosmopolitan Gun Club,  
 San Pedro Makati, Rizal)

**NOTABLE SCORES MADE DURING A REGISTERED  
 MATCH IN 1938-39:**

Arm	Contestant	Course	Score
.22 Rifle	A. von Einsiedel	50M, iron sights Phil. Exposition	299 x 300
.22 Rifle	D. Jaranilla, Jr.	Dewar, iron sights Cebu Interclub	398 x 400
.22 Rifle	Ramon Villamor	50Y, iron sights NRPA Kneeling Match	192 x 200
.22 Pistol	Felix Cortes	50M, Araneta Shoot	524 x 600

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