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**C.S.-NC Red Cross Chapter Cited for Oversubscribing its quota in Fund Drive**



For oversubscribing its quota in the Red Cross Fund Campaign for the last six consecutive years, the Camarines Sur-Naga City Chapter of the PNR was awarded a "plaque" with a citation of merit for such performance. Credit for this accomplishment is attributed to the RC volunteers, government officials, civic leaders, school officials who gave their efforts in the fund drive and to the people of Camarines Sur and Naga City, and the various entities that gave their sustained cooperation in helping the RC fund campaign.

During the recent meeting of the local chapter board at the headquarters in Naga City the "plaque" which was hand-carried by Mrs. Emily P. Bichara from Manila, was presented formally to Chairman Mrs. Sison and

Chapter Board Secretary Dr. Joaquin I. Perez as shown in the picture above.

Those shown in the picture (left to right) are Mrs. Irene C. Mariano, Mrs. Alejandra O. Papica, Mun. Treasurer Sofronio Clavacilla, Mrs. Emily P. Bichara, Mrs. Dolores H. Sison, Dr. Joaquin I. Perez, RC Administrator Manuel C. Torres, Lt. Col. Rafael Dumlaog, Domingo A. Escalante, Dr. Magno V. Jamito and Dr. Ambrocio M. Herrera.

The plaque was awarded to the chapter thru Mrs. Dolores H. Sison at the Manila Hotel Fiesta Pavilion during the closing program and dinner of the RC 7th Biennial Convention last December 10, in the evening Mrs. Sison is the local chapter chairman and is also a member of the (Continued on page A)

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**Ex-Editor of "Pillars" Wins ANSCO Prexy**

Former Editor of *The Pillars*, Hermenegildo A. Benjamín, AB-BSBA 4, won the Presidency of the Ateneo de Naga Student Council Organisation (ANSKO-1968-69) during the college annual campus election, last week.

Benjamín succeeds Tony Bravante who is now the NUSP Auditor.

Elected with Benjamín were: 1st Vice-Pres. - Romulo Fabul; 2nd Vice-Pres. - Daisy Enojado; Secretary - Lourdes Cuadro; and Treasurer - Reynaldo Gomez.

Induction of the officers was tentatively set on Feb. 10. A civic leader in the city will induct them.

The new officers pledged to further the involvement and commitment of the Ateneans in the academic, spiritual, aesthetic, and physical activities of the college.

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**Tests for Ateneo Scholarship Set**

Rev. Maximo David, S. J., Rector and Dean of the College of the Ateneo de Naga announced today the 1968 competitive scholarship examinations to be given by the Ateneo de Naga College Department on Sunday, February 25, 1968 at 8:30 a.m. in the Ateneo de Naga Gym. Subjects: High School English and Mathematics.

Fourth year high school graduating students who are taking the college preparatory course and have not attended college are eligible to compete.

Four full and four half tuition scholarships worth more than P2,500 are at stake. High School seniors who are interested should submit to the Ateneo College Registrar a written application for admission into the examinations not later than Friday, Feb. (Continued on page A)

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**Philippine Navy gets Six U.S. Vessels**

MANILA—The capability of the Philippine Navy has been greatly increased with the recent acquisition of six vessels from the U.S. Government.

The six vessels are the U.S. Navy minesweeper frigate *RPS Quezon*, the Coast Guard Tender *RPS Limasawa* and four patrol craft fast boats Nos. 306, 307, 308 and 309.

President Marcos accepted the vessels from U.S. Charge d'Affaires James M. Wilson, Jr. during turnover ceremonies at the Philippine Navy headquarters.

In presenting the ships, Mr. Wilson said the vessels "are being turned over as part of a long-term program for assisting in the anti-smuggling campaign. These will help also in making greater revenues available to the (Continued on page A)

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**Pinasakitan an Convoy Can Estados Unidos Sa Khe Sanh Base; Dai takot an NK sa US**

An huring bareta casuhapon ni Brig. Gen. Gaudencio Tobias na comandante can PHILCAG, mga Filipinos na yaon sa South Vietnam, igua daa nin report na nagabot sainda duman na boot atakehon can mga comunistas can North Vietnam an campo can Filipinos (PHILCAG). Mientras tanto an PHILCAG yaon sa peligro nin gutom. An duang ribong Filipinos duman sustenidos na sana can C-rations (de latas) hale sa campo can Americanos na harani sa campo can Philcag. An dalan na inaagihan can pagdara nin supply sa Philcag

na pintoan can bagong ining caribocan sa S. Vietnam.

An mga civilian na Filipinos na yaon sa S. Vietnam, arog can familias can mga yaon sa construction privadas can Eastern Construction Co. asin ibang civilianos duman pinapaporoali na digdi sa Filipinas, bilang pagnamdang ta tibaad maglabo-labo an ralaban.

Sa laban duman sa Vietnam iyong nagrave an comunista. Si daan na ciudad can Hue na bawe can S. Vietnam catabang an mga Americanos. Dacul man an gadan (Dagos sa pagina B)

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**Congressman Fuentebella Secures P900,000 for Concreting Poblaciones of Pili, Baao, Iriga, Nabua, Bato**

President Marcos has authorized the release of Public Works amounting to Nine Hundred Thousand Pesos (P900,000) for the concreting of the Poblaciones roads in the towns of Pili, Baao, Iriga, Nabua and Bato which are in the Second district of this province, according to Rep. Felix A. Fuentebella (N-2nd District, Camarines Sur).

The amount released is covered by the Pork Barrel of Rep. Fuentebella and under the Republic Acts 1200, 1411, 1000 and 4854. Rep. Fuentebella made representations for the release of the PW funds.

The Second District Solon said Bal-tazar Aquino of the Bureau of Public Highways, in a telegram dated January 24th, has directed Camarines Sur Highway Engineer Jaime Sarte and Supervising Engineer Santiago Maralit to proceed with these administration projects as soon as possible.

District Engineer for Public Works Vicente del Rosario was



Rep. F. Fuentebella

advised to send a representative to Manila in order to get some more pre-fab parts (like window frames, knots, and bolts, etc.) which were not yet delivered to the province to enable the immediate completion of the pre-fabricated school houses in the province, Fuentebella added.

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**Cong. Felipe Files Bill Making C. Sur Provincial High School Into C. Sur National School**

Representative Ramon H. Felipe, Jr. has filed a bill recently with the object of converting the Cam. Sur Provincial High School into a Cam. Sur National High School and at the same time making it into vocational as well as general high school. In this way the province of Camarines Sur will be relieved of maintaining said institution and thereby expanding its services and improving further the instructions thereat. His bill H. No. 16585 and explanatory note follow:

AN ACT CONVERTING CAMARINES SUR HIGH SCHOOL IN THE CITY OF NAGA, INTO A NATIONAL SCHOOL, TO BE KNOWN AS CAMARINES SUR NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS THEREFOR.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. The Camarines-Sur Provincial High School in the City of Naga, is hereby converted into a national school to be known as the "Camarines Sur National High School." General (Continued on page A)



Rep. R. Felipe, Jr.

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**A Year of Continuing Confrontation**

By: BUBBY P. DACER  
President, Federation of Provincial Press Clubs of the Philippines

(Inaugural address delivered during the 6th Annual Dinner-Induction of the Federation of Provincial Press Clubs of the Philippines at "Balwagang Plaridel" of the National Press Club January 27, 1968)

The President of the Philippines, Ferdinand E. Marcos, in his inaugural address on his induction two years ago this month, called upon the people to make this nation—the Filipino nation—great again.

There was no pretention in that call—there was only a quick sense of history and tradition, an awareness of a degeneration in national morality, a sharp appraisal of the weakening of national strength and enterprise, and a continuing faith in the tremendous potential of the Filipino for great accomplishments.

The last two years have witnessed an administration quick to respond to needed reforms in national policy and passionate in its desire for accomplishments.

Anxious to test the response of the people to its programs, this administration, in the off-year elections just past, fielded its candidates on the single and all embracing issue of performance. Now, it seems obvious that the administration is proceeding in the right direction. The mandate of the Filipino electorate was overwhelming, by electing to the senate all but one Liberal party candidate.

The naked fact, however, is un-gainly. Two years after the Marcos administration, the Filipino nation is no where on its way to becoming great again. In the cities, employment is scarce and crime is on the increase. In the countryside, the exodus of manpower is unchecked, the people remain poor, and conditions remain feudal.

There is here a broad gap that needs to be bridged. For even as so much in accomplishment is credited to the Marcos administration, so little is felt in (Continued on page 4)

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