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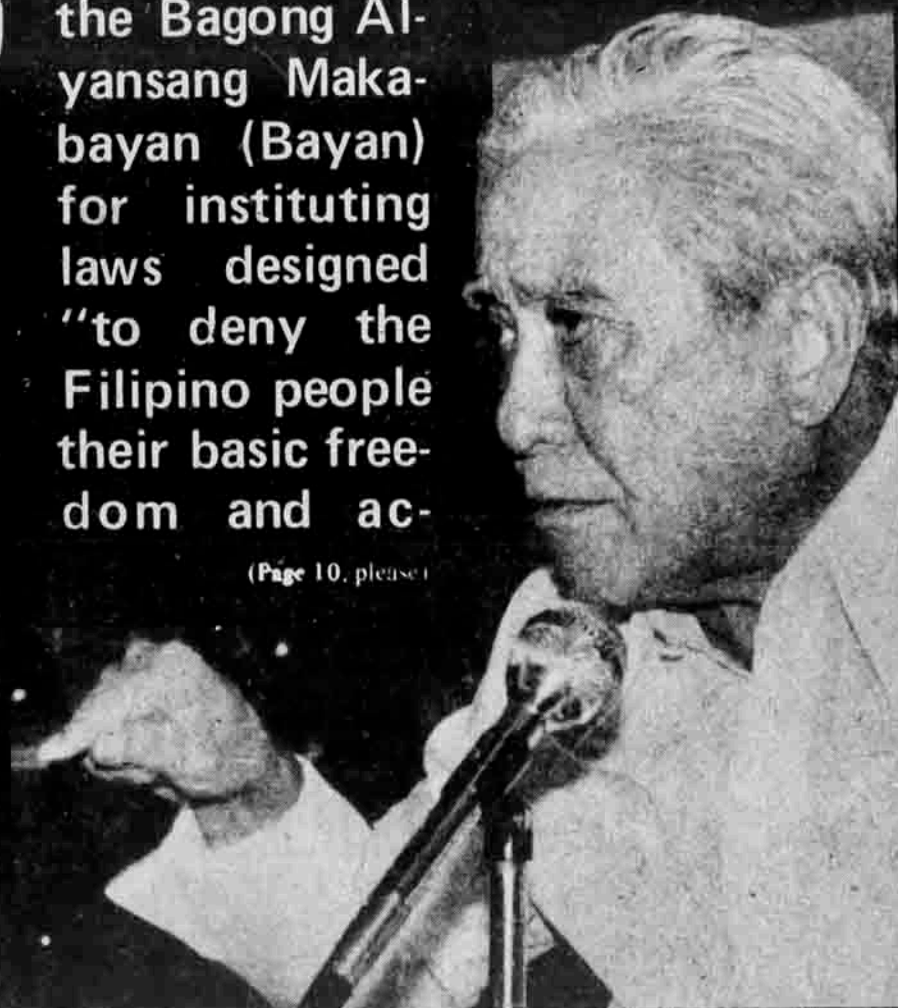
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LAWS THAT KILL FREEDOM

By BUTCH FERNANDEZ

The Marcos government came under heavy fire from militant opposition groups belonging to the Bagong Alyansang Makabayan (Bayan) for instituting laws designed "to deny the Filipino people their basic freedom and ac-

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Lorenzo Tanada, Bayan Chairman

PAL PAK

By BOBBY BURGOS

'Hinihintay si 'Ma'm'

Attention Brig. Gen. Alfredo Lim of the Northern Police District. This is a reiteration of a frantic and urgent call for police assistance from a resident of New Manila in Quezon City.

Ms. Luz Gonzales, whom you came to know briefly in last Monday's "Kapihan sa Maynila" at the Manila Hotel, is suffering from a heart illness. According to her doctor, her ailment was caused by hypertension due to the frequent (thrice a week) vehicular smashups at the corner of Broadway and Aurora Boulevard where she lives.

Ms. Gonzales has already suffered three near-fatal heart attacks due to these nerve-racking mishaps. The poor lady says these accidents could be averted if only a traffic policeman would man the intersection.

Ms. Gonzales has already experienced three excruciating trips to the hospital. Her doctor says a fourth one will be more disastrous.

We are sure you have taken note of her predicament.

This is just a reminder. Let's prevent the fourth attack. Give her the chance to further enjoy life even during these trying days.

Have that intersection manned by your policemen at all times of the day. Please lang, huh?

Some government VIP's last Sunday snuffed the joy out of the hundreds of ordinary folks wishing to enjoy a ride on the LRT from Mehan Garden in Manila to Baclaran "barricading" it temporarily "Dahil hinihintay si Mam."

As early as 9:00 o'clock in the morning, hundreds of commuters trooped to the Mehan Station anticipating to ride the "overhead train" but, woe to them, they were told by arrogant "Blue guards" to wait until Madam has completed her trip. Ano ka, hilo?

The feisty former justice Milagros German asked Brig. Gen. Narciso Cabrera of the Manila Police during Monday's "Kapihan sa Maynila", what the police has done to arrest the upsurge of child abuse and prostitution in the city.

The former justice's question has raised speculations on the possible connivance between the police and maintainers of prostitution houses.

"Why are there no follow-ups on the complaints despite the numerous newspaper stories on the existence of prostitution dens?", the retired lady justice asked. Yes, how come, General?

POLICEMAN HARPOONED

A policeman, responding to a call last night in Tondo was speared with a metal-tipped harpoon, which penetrated his right leg just below the knee.

Patrolman Alfonso Nueva, 25, assigned to the Chinatown detachment was in the vicinity of Dagupan street corner Pilapil in Tondo, trying to pacify a group of troublemakers. He fired several warning shots when the suspect, Rodolfo Tejero, 27, of 827 Pilapil street, attacked

him with the harpoon and speared him with it. The patrolman fired and hit the suspect smack in the face.

The incident occurred at around 10:00 p.m. The victim had his wounds treated at the Philippine General Hospital from where he proceeded straight to the Western Police District Headquarters to give his statement while the suspect is now undergoing treatment at the Jose Reyes Memorial Hospital. — J. Olona

CRY FOR JUSTICE

By JUNEX DORONIO

SAN PABLO CITY — Police investigators faced a blank wall while workers vowed continued struggle as Marlon Latina, a militant union leader who was gunned down May 9, was laid to rest here yesterday.

Latina's fellow unionists, some of whom unabashedly cried during the funeral, said they would not stop until their late leader gets justice.

People interviewed by WE Forum yesterday disclosed that persons belonging to the management of the Batangas-Laguna-Tayabas Bus Co. had threatened to have Latina killed at the height of the recent BLTB Co. strike.

Prior to his death, Latina was a leading voice in the Tinig ng Lakas ng Manggagawa sa BLTB-National Federation of Labor Unions (NAFLU), under the umbrella of the Kilusang Mayo Uno (KMU).

Sources said they had overheard one BLTB management official as saying they would not stop until Latina was eliminated.

"Hindi ako titigil hanggang hindi nawawala si Marlon Latina," the official was quoted as saying.

The same sources said that before the victim died, he urged his fellow workers to fight on.

The victim left behind wife, Odette, who is five months pregnant, and three kids — Lourdeline, 6, Odellon, 4, and Maureen, 2. Odette, who is in dry goods business, now has to

Workers vow to carry fight for fallen leader



Workers in funeral march for Marlon Latina.

(Oca Estabaya)

bear all the burden to support her children. However, she believes that her husband died an honorable man fighting for a cause that benefits not only himself, his family or his fellow workers but also contributes to the people's militant struggle for meaningful change.

"Hindi lang naman siya ang nakikinabang, kaya di dapat manghinayang... sana hindi na mauulit ang ganitong karahasan pero tuloy pa rin ang laban..." Odette said. She vowed to help her late husband's fellow workers to advance their rights and welfare.

According to a police

report, four men on board a passenger jeep without a plate number were responsible for the death of Latina. The victim was gunned down with an armalite by one of the men who was in fatigue uniform along the national road in Bay, Laguna.

Latina sustained seven gunshot wounds, while his companion, Rodolfo Bulahan, a mechanic, was hit in the leg. The militant union leader died nine hours later at the Laguna Provincial Hospital in Sta. Cruz, Laguna where he was transferred from the Bay Hospital.

Sources found it strange that the BLTB management shouldered all the hospital expenses of Bulahan who now does not want to talk about the incident.

But who benefits from Welfare Fund?

An overseas labor leader has pressed for the audit of the Welfare Fund for overseas workers in the wake of rumors that proceeds of the fund are being used to finance the repatriation of stranded or illegally recruited workers abroad.

Francisco E. Pasion, president of the Association of Filipino Overseas Workers, Inc. (AFOWI) pressed for the Welfare Fund audit in a recent meeting with heads of civic and labor organizations, including the Lapiang Manggagawa, the Citizens Welfare and Assistance League, the Association of Filipino Entertainers and the Council for Overseas Workers.

Pasion bewailed the alleged

rampant use of the fund in repatriating marooned workers who were illegally recruited by placement agencies or contractors.

"This should not be the case since these placement agencies and contractors have the P50,000 cash bond and the P150,000 surety bond, required for such repatriation purposes by the Philippine Overseas Employment Authority," Pasion pointed out.

He said the labor ministry should first use the P50,000 cash bond for repatriation purposes then attach the surety bond of these placement and contracting agencies, before reporting to the fund, which in the first place, is not meant for repatriation purposes.

Pasion said that based on records during the peak of overseas workers deployment during the mid-seventies, there were some 1,000 workers deployed per day. This has now went down to an average of 800 per day with each worker paying a minimum of P300 to the fund.

This, he said, amounts to total daily fund collection of some P200,000.

The Welfare Fund Administration has admitted that there were only some P350 million collected since 1977, but independent estimates could count up to double the amount.

Pasion said even if interest earnings are pegged only at one per cent a month, the fund would already be earning some P3.5 million a month based on the reported P350 million fund accumulations. — Dennis Fetalino

Ilocos Public Works mess

SAN FERNANDO, La Union, May 15 (PNA) — The Commission On Audit (COA) has uncovered a mess that could be involving P84,000 in tampered checks in favor of the Ministry of Public Works and Highways (MPWH) in Ilocos Norte. Highway Regional Director Amor Arzadon directed the legal department of the ministry to investigate an MPWH employee for alleged tampering of the checks.

Initial findings of a COA team showed the employee allegedly tampered with two checks for P2,000 and P42,000.

He allegedly encashed the checks at the Laoag branch of the Philippine National Bank (PNB) in two separate occasions in February this year.

Vouchers of the original checks indicated that the amount of P2,000 each covered payments for the purchase of light bulbs and payroll of casual employees.

The COA theorized that the erring employee might have an access to blank checks at the ministry provincial office and had good contact at the PNB branch.

Pope gets warm welcome now

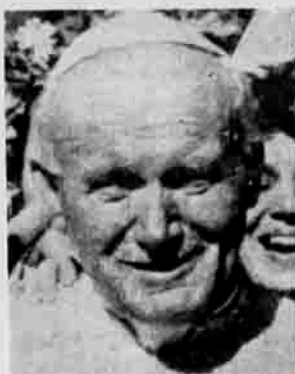
MAASTRICHT, Netherlands, May 14 (AFP) — Pope John Paul II, on the final day of a controversial four-day visit to the Netherlands, received the best welcome of the tour so far when 40,000 people greeted him here this morning.

The Pope was completing the first stage of a three-nation tour. He was later to pay a 36-hour visit to Luxembourg, and then travel to Belgium on Thursday.

In sharp contrast to the indifference or hostility he had met elsewhere in the Netherlands, the narrow streets of Maastricht were crowded with wellwishers who cheered John Paul II as he toured the historic town in the Popemobile.

The head of the Catholic Church later celebrated mass at an open-air site near Maastricht airport.

Security for the ceremony, attended by about 2,000 people, was tight. At dawn, police went over the arena with mine



JOHN PAUL

detectors and all cars entering the site were checked for bombs by specially-trained sniffer dogs.

Five punks were arrested by police but the only other disturbance was an anonymous bomb alert. The start of John Paul II's tour of the Netherlands had been marred by demonstrations which resulted in violent clashes between anti-Pope protesters and the police.

HK TV STAR COMMITS SUICIDE

HONG KONG, May 14 (AFP) — Television star Barbara Yung Mei-Ling, the darling of viewers throughout Southeast Asia, died today in her gas-filled flat in a suspected suicide, police said.

Anguished fans flocked weeping to the TVB television studio

Press reports here said Miss Yung had recently seemed depressed over an entangled love affair.

TVB's switchboard was bombarded with calls from Singapore inquiring about the star's death, said assistant public relations manager, Charles Yau.

"Miss Yung is the idol of many schoolgirls in Hong Kong," Yau said. "She is also

extremely popular in Singapore and Malaysia."

Yau said the actress' last piece of work was a 40-part TVB historical drama, to be released in the next few months.

A police spokesman said Miss Yung was certified dead on arrival at hospital.

A friend had rushed her there after breaking into the flat when she failed to answer the

where the 26-year-old Miss Yung carved out fame — her most recent role was a policewoman in the nightly series, "Rough Ride."

The authorities did not suspect foul play and police sources said initial investigations showed the actress had possibly killed herself.

door. The young man told police Miss Yung had sounded upset when he talked to her on the phone last night.

Miss Yung made her name in the Asian entertainment world by beating nearly 1,000 applicants to grab the leading female role in a TVB series based on a popular martial arts novel "The Legend of The Condor Hero."

She had become synony-

mous with the character of Wong Yung — a cute, smart kung fu lady.

The wide-eyed beauty was one of the 15 finalists in the 1982 Miss Hong Kong beauty pageant.

The beauty queen of that year, Angie Leung, described her friend as a "a genuine person who did not put on airs."

18 years for Indon terrorist

JAKARTA, May 14 (AFP) — A member of the self-styled Jihad command which seeks the creation of an Islamic state in Indonesia has been jailed for 18 years by a court in Yogyakarta, Central Java, Antara news agency reported.

The Sleman district court yesterday found Muhammad Sudiyanto, 32, guilty of subversion and trying to topple the government and basing the state on Islamic law instead of the state ideology.

The prosecution had demanded the death sentence against the defendant who was said to have taken part in the murder of a student in 1979 for alleged treason to the movement, and in a robbery to provide funds for the Jihad command, also referred to in press reports as the "warman terror gang."

Warman, one of the movement's leaders, was killed in a shootout with troops in West Java in 1981. The same court had earlier sentenced Abdullah Umar, a leading figure of the group, to life imprisonment.

The court is expected to pronounce its decision soon on another defendant in the case, identified by the initials B.S., against whom the prosecution also had demanded the death penalty.

TYCOON ACQUITTED

JAKARTA, May 14 (AFP) — A timber tycoon who had been sentenced to one year in prison and a stiff fine for alleged manipulation of customs duties has been acquitted on all charges on appeal, the daily Sinar Harapa reported today.

The East Kalimantan high court in Samarinda also ordered yesterday that all evidence material, including two pontoons and heavy equipment, be returned to Yosnutomo, 40, who controls the Sumber Mas group of timber companies.

4 drinks for \$1,280

SINGAPORE, May 14 (AFP) — A Singaporean businessman paid an unpalatable US\$1,280 for four drinks in Hong Kong, press reports said today.

The man, identified only as P. Ong, ordered one glass of draught beer and three drinks for four bar girls, the Singapore Monitor said.

When Ong refused to pay he was reportedly threatened by two burly bouncers. One of them told him: "Everyone pays the same price here for a glass of beer. This is the Hong Kong style of charging."

Ong paid the bill with his

American Express credit card and then lodged a complaint with the credit card company and the police. He also complained to the Hong Kong Tourist Association and the Hong Kong Consumer Council.

Ong said he was shopping in Hong Kong's Tsim Sha Tsui tourist area on May 2 when he was hustled into the bar by two girls. The name of the bar was not disclosed.

A local American Express source said his Hong Kong office was investigating the matter.



Boy's eye stops threads

KUALA LUMPUR, May 14 (AFP) — A 10-year-old schoolboy who baffled doctors by pulling out multi-colored threads from his eye has been discharged from hospital after the threads stopped emerging, press reports said today.

S. Sivalingam was sent home yesterday but doctors and specialists at Ipoh General Hospital in Perak still have no medical clues, said medical superintendent Dr. Zohrah Wong.

She said doctors had collected more than 24 red, green,

yellow and white threads from the boy's right eye since he was admitted on May 2 and an initial report had said they were cotton fibers, press reports said.

"However a detailed analysis of the threads is being carried out by the chemistry department," she said.

Sivalingam's mother, Tapper Letchumi, 30, said she had promised the Indian goddess Kali to offer a miniature gold-crafted eye to a temple if the threads stopped coming. She plans to do it on May 31.

To probe Sikh slay

NEW DELHI, May 14 (AFP)

— The Indian government today appointed a judge to probe the death of a Sikh arrested in connection with a wave of bombings that killed 84 people, as investigators said the blasts were the start of a violent Sikh campaign.

This was to culminate with a "final blow" on June 5-6, the first anniversary of an assault by the Indian Army on the holiest Sikh shrine, the Golden Temple in Amritsar, to flush out militants, intelligence sources said.

Children playing in a New Delhi park today found a crude bomb and a grenade, which were defused by experts, police said.

Meanwhile, the Indian Parliament today expressed grave concern over the uncovering in the United States of a Sikh plot to kill Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi during a planned US visit June 12-15 and to bomb India's nuclear power stations and bridges.

Reports from the United States said the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) uncovered the plot Monday with the arrest of five Sikhs there.

Most MP's urged that Gandhi's visit should be cancelled, but some said the prime minister should go ahead with it as a cancellation would mean succumbing to terrorist tactics.

ROUNDUP

A SUICIDE AND AN ATTEMPTED SUICIDE

PARIS, May 14 (AFP) — Overcrowded, strife-bound French prisons were shaken today by news of a suicide and an attempted suicide within 24 hours of each other, according to officials here.

Pascal Hucine, 27, who was serving three years for cheque frauds and possessing drugs cut his wrists at Saint Etienne Prison, central France, on Sunday and Bernard Malet, 22, serving four years for robbery was on the danger list after trying to hang himself yesterday.

A wave of riots in six French prisons last week was largely caused by overcrowded conditions. There are 45,000 inmates in prisons with a capacity of 32,500.

PAMPHLETEER GETS 18 MONTHS

JAKARTA, May 14 (AFP) — A court jailed a teacher for 18 months today for circulating anti-government leaflets.

The West Jakarta district court convicted 27-year-old English-language teacher Zaini of having helped spread "false and instigative information that might lead to public unrest and disorder."

Zaini had confessed to possessing a leaflet calling for a general strike to protest at the government's handling of Moslem-led riots in North Jakarta in September, in which 30 people were reported to have been killed.

The leaflet branded as false a statement by armed forces commander general Benny Murdani that only 9 people had died in the riots.

GROMYKO PREPARES FOR TOKYO VISIT

TOKYO, May 14 (AFP) — The Soviet Union is preparing to send Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko to visit Japan, Soviet Vice-Premier Alexei Antonov said here today.

Japan has been calling for a visit by Gromyko by the end of this year as a prerequisite for improving relations between the two countries.

Antonov told Japanese Foreign Minister Shintaro Abe that preparations were under way for the visit and that a decision would be made when these were complete, Japanese officials said. He did not specify a date.

Moscow has said that Gromyko would not be sent unless the visit was likely to achieve results. The last time he visited Japan was in 1976.

The Soviets have previously refused to allow Gromyko to come for talks on Japan's claim to islands off its northern coast occupied by the Soviets since the end of World War II.

NIGERIA DENIES SHOOTING

LAGOS, May 14 (AFP) — Nigerian officials today denied that police at the border station of Seme leading into Benin had shot illegal immigrants who attempted to break out of the country.

Spokesman for the Federal Police, Commissioner David Isang, said there was "no truth whatsoever" in reports from the Beninese capital that at least 25 people had been shot dead yesterday when they tried to force their way through the border post.

He added that a convoy of trucks was today carrying illegal aliens from Seme to the port of Apapa, outside Lagos, from where they were to be shipped home.

Murderer hired to kill Walesa?

WARSAW, May 14 (AFP) — Lech Walesa, leader of the banned Solidarity trade union, today said that he took seriously a disclosure that a convicted murderer had been hired to kill him.

Meanwhile, the official news agency PAP today reported the resignation of politburo member Miroslaw Milewski, who was relieved of responsibility for the police after the murder of dissident priest Jerzy Popieluszko by secret policemen in October.

Government spokesman Jerzy Urban said at his weekly news conference that the murderer had confessed that he had been hired to kill Walesa by a "clandestine organization."

Urban did not name the organization or its country of origin, but stressed his view that the account was of questionable veracity and suggested that the hired gun had a history of mental illness.

But Walesa told Agence France-Presse that "nothing this man (the murderer) said appeared unlikely. My experience has enabled me to know people, and in my opinion he did not lie."

The killer, Jozef-Hieronim Szczepanski, 34, was first sent a letter in prison on June 28, 1983 at Rawicz, northern Poland, while serving 11 years for murdering a policeman, Urban said.

In exchange for killing someone, who at that point was not identified, Szczepanski would be given freedom, money and a visa for the country of his choice, Urban added.

In the following months Szczepanski saw his contact several times while on furlough from the prison, and on the contact's advice, successfully applied for a special six-month leave because of his wife's poor health, it was learned.

Finally, on April 26 this year, his contact said a white Fiat car would pick him on April 30 and take him to kill Walesa. Szczepanski then said he refused to carry out the killing

on hearing who the target was, and twice last week went to Walesa's home in the northern city of Gdansk to warn him of the danger, Urban said.

Walesa alerted the authorities, who then took Szczepanski into preventive custody for questioning, Urban added. An inquiry has been opened by the city's public prosecutors.

Urban said reporters should exercise the "greatest prudence" over the validity of the story, suggesting Szczepanski had a history of mental illness, and hinting that the convict may have concocted the story to explain a possible delayed return to prison.

Editorial

An ominous sign

As of now, five lawyers are under military custody for supposed subversion — three in Davao (Laurente Ilagan, Antonio Arellano and Marcos Risonar, Jr.) and two in Abra (Romeo Astudillo and Alberto Benesa)..

A sixth one, Jejomar Binay, counsel of former Philippine College of Commerce president Nemesio I. Prudente, has been also charged by the military with subversion but, so far, he has not yet been picked up.

At the rate things are going, there appears to be a campaign against members of the bar, particularly those who are most active in defending human rights cases, to shut them up in the most effective manner.

Three lawyers' organizations have initiated moves to defend their brethren from what seems to be a military crackdown — Integrated Bar of the Philippines, FLAG

and MABINI.

This is a most alarming development in the ongoing campaign to restore freedom, justice and democracy in our country. For if the lawyers are arrested and immobilized with arrests, there will soon be no legal practitioners to protect the people from the abuses of the military. Moreover, the more faint-hearted of them — those who are always mindful about not getting into trouble — will desist from accepting human rights cases.

The apparent military campaign against militant lawyers is ominous. It does not bode well for the cause of human rights and democracy in our country. Dark days for the committed lawyers, those who are devoting so much of their time, effort and money, in the fight against repression, oppression and exploitation, are ahead.

Bravo to Puyat for advising MPs

We congratulate MP Gonzalo Puyat for urging his colleagues in the Batasan "to keep faith with and respect the mandates of the people."

He was referring to members of the Batasan who have not stopped campaigning even after the elections. Immediately after the Batasan elections, some of those who were elected immediately made known their intentions to run for the coming local elections.

This means that if elected to a second office, they will not continue serving their term in the Batasan. When they ran for the Batasan, it was understood that they had agreed to serve the full term.

If they abandon their

national office for a local one, their constituents will be unrepresented in the Batasan.

Puyat has suggested that elected officials who run for another public office should be considered automatically resigned from the position that they occupy. He said:

"All elective officials are duty and morally bound to serve their full term of office to the best of their ability."

The problem of elected officials running for another public office was one of the problems that the new constitution was supposed to solve. The problem is still with us. And in fairness, the opposition members are as guilty as those identified with the administration.

Thorns and roses

By ALEJANDRO ROCES



Getting elected is a covenant with the people. One of the agreements is that the elected official will serve the full term. Running for a second office before the term expires can be classified as abandonment of office.

Politics must not become a way of life. And elections should not revert to what it was, the national pastime.

We had mayors who ran for the Batasan and got elected. Now, it seems as if we have some Batasan members who want to run for mayor or governor. The Batasan should have a clear-cut policy on this.

Puyat did well to raise this issue while it is still early. A public office is a public trust.

Elections should not be reduced to a popularity contests.

If people can for the Batasan, they must have believed in the Batasan. They must serve their full term in that body. That is the least they can do for their constituents.

If after their terms expire, they choose to run for another office, that would be another matter. But to run for another public office before the expiration of their terms is a betrayal of their constituents.

It is doubtful if they would have been elected if they told their constituents beforehand that they would only serve for a limited period, particularly if the reason is that they are more interested in another office.



Publisher's notes

By JOSE G. BURGOS, JR.



'Pull' of city no longer valid

Time was when the "pull" of the urban centers was so attractive that thousands of rural folks would troop to the metropolis to seek fame and fortune only to find themselves mired in deeper penury in the city's slums.

Sociologists have often described in-migration as a contributory factor to the decay of the city which has spawned the menacing slum problem.

But there is now a minor shift against urbanization — thanks to the crippling economic situation and the waning job opportunities that particularly call for brawn, not brains.

Less migration has been noted in the recent past and what is even noteworthy is that the prospective migrants have desisted from pursuing the "good life" in the city. More significantly, those who have tasted the bitter, cruel pill of life in the city, are now returning to their provincial roots to start life anew.

The glitter of city life has rubbed off and many *pro-binsyans* have come to realize that survival is now possible in the uncomplicated land of their birth. With a piece of ancestral land, the chances of eating three square meals a day are far greater than in such a megapolis as Metro Manila.

The importance of a farmlot has assumed new meanings and dimensions because salaried jobs and economic benefits have dwindled to an all-time low in the city. The unreachable prices of prime commodities and the sinking value of the peso have likewise driven many to seek refuge in the cultivated land for their wherewithal.

And to Filipinos burdened with economic woes, the brown earth will eventually be their last recourse, their final salvation.



Today and yesterday

By ARMANDO J. MALAY

While I knew so many poets and writers, and many musicians, I only know personally two sculptors: Guillermo Tolentino, who is a National Artist, and Napoleon Abueva. However, I came to know the heirs of Romualdo de Jesus (also called Lolong), who at one time taught sculpture (in wood) to Rizal.

In the 1880s, De Jesus was active in the Gremio de Escultores de Filipinas (or sculptors' guild) and its members held an exhibit.

Some say that Lolong was Rizal's inspiration for the unforgettable character of Filofo Tasio; other Rizalists, however, aren't so sure about this.

At any rate, there's a rare photograph taken when Rizal's bones were dug from their temporary grave in the Paco Cemetery and transferred to the base of the monument in the

Luneta.

In the center of the picture is Rizal's aged mother; Romualdo de Jesus, wearing a *camisa de chino*, is also in the picture (the only picture of the man), as is Honorio Lopez, grandfather of today's Mel Lopez and former publisher of an almanac which was very popular.

Tolentino, whom I always called Maestro, produced numerous marvelous works, the most imposing of which (in my opinion) is the towering monument to Bonifacio on Rizal Avenue extension. I think it is the Maestro's masterpiece.

He also did UP's The Oblation while he was director of the school of fine arts, as well as the figures at the entrances of the University and Rizal Halls in the old UP campus at Padre Faura.

When Tolentino became ob-

Breathing life into wood and marble

sessed with spiritism, he once invited me to his atelier in Sampaloc (Calle Retiro?) for a seance (meeting of spiritualists seeking to receive communications from spirits). A middle-aged woman was the "medium." During the session, seeds fell from the ceiling which, upon examination, contained mysterious writing. I wrote an article about it in the *Saturday Mirror Magazine*.

Napoleon Abueva once

invited me to his modeling class. His home on Tandang Sora St., Quezon City, is something to see.

I've not met Castrillo or Saprid or any of the young sculptors of today. Henry W. Longfellow said: "Sculpture is more than painting. It is greater to raise the dead to life than to create phantoms that seem to live." No offense meant, Joe Joya and Rock Drilon.

Let's give
freedom
a chance





Joke Only

By FR. BEN A. CARREON, OMI

Bible endorses the confession

I asked a young priest why he didn't believe in confession. "It's not in the Bible," he said. Read Matthew 18:18: "Whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."

"There is nothing about sin in that," he replied. Okay read John 20:23: "If you forgive people's sin, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

The crowd roared in laughter and applause.

The town of Kabakan, Cotabato is small but it has 17 different churches. The joke there is that no beerhouse could be built because you cannot find a space more than 50 meters away from a church.

When I watched the play "Caligula" at the Rizal theater, I happened to sit next to Butz Aquino. During a dull moment, Butz shouted to the star on stage: "Caligula, mag-resign ka na!"

The best way to give medicine to a dog is to talk to him about dull subjects, then drop a pill down his throat when he yawns.

"Bayot" is Visayan for "bakla." An American priest once said: "There's a sure cure for the bayot, it's an antibiotic."

The son of a justice trying the Aquino case wrote recently to his father from the U.S.: "I hope it's not lutong makaw."

The pastor eagerly shook hands with the elderly couple celebrating their golden wedding anniversary. "In these times, you two renew my faith. I'm sure you feel you have made a success of your marriage."

"Well," chimed in the lovely lady, with a cautious glance at her husband. "So far."

Teacher: Can anyone make a sentence using the word archaic?

Student: We can't have archaic and eat it too.

Some people were born poor. Some were born blind or deaf mute. Some were born rich.

Sometimes the latter is a greater misfortune.

In Europe and America, they are worrying about "Star Wars." Here, we're still bothered by the mosquito.

Two men were arguing about how to pronounce Hawaii. "It's HA-VAH-EE," said one.

"No. It's HA-WAH-EE," said the other.

They argued on and on. Finally, they saw a stranger and asked him.

"HA-VAH-EE," said the stranger.

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While television is "everything" to American politicians, Jacinto said, Portuguese politicians are "very careful of TV."

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Television is used only to make important political points, he said.

Satur Ocampo's dramatic May 5 escape from military captivity was not without precedent. Since 1972, other political detainees have staged their own bold escapes.

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Satur, 46, father of four and one-time business editor of the defunct Manila Times, escaped from his six-man Metrocom escort team after voting at the National Press Club (NPC) elections last week.

Longest held

Linked by the government to the aborted MV Karagatan arms smuggling attempt in 1972, Satur was arrested in 1976 and has been detained since. He was, at the time of his escape, one of the longest-held political detainees in the Philippines.

During the early years of martial law, thousands of Filipinos were incarcerated in military camps throughout the country. Branded as "subversives", the political detainees were a mixture of national democrats, students, teachers, anti-Marcos politicians and Lavaites (alleged members of the old Partido Komunista ng Pilipinas or PKP).

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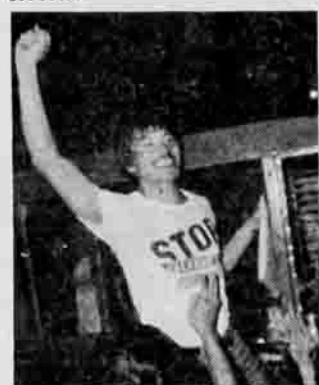
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After undergoing, in many cases, physical and mental torture, prolonged captivity and the uncertainty of their cases drove many detainees to escape.

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Daringness was what many of the political detainees had. The element of surprise, planning and patience were what they tried to gain.

At the start of martial law, several student activists detained in Bicol and Samar escaped military stockades simply by climbing over barbed wire. A number of them also fled while on a pass accompanied by military escorts.



SATUR OCAMPO attending Press Club function



liferated.

In 1972, the Marcos government ventured to restructure the labor movement through its own version of industry-line trade unionism, the "one-union, one-industry" concept. But this was seen as a veiled attempt to tighten the government's grip on labor so that eventually, a good number of big labor organizations resisted.

Jolted into action

The intensity of the current

economic crisis seems to have jolted organized labor into action. A growing number of workers today are in fact slowly realizing the necessity of transcending their inter-union differences to strengthen their bargaining power.

In that case, workers in the drug industry indeed provide a shining example. And if there's any hope for labor today, then maybe workers in the other industries should follow the way,

who, after breaking loose from his escorts at a Manila restaurant, reportedly sought asylum at a foreign embassy.

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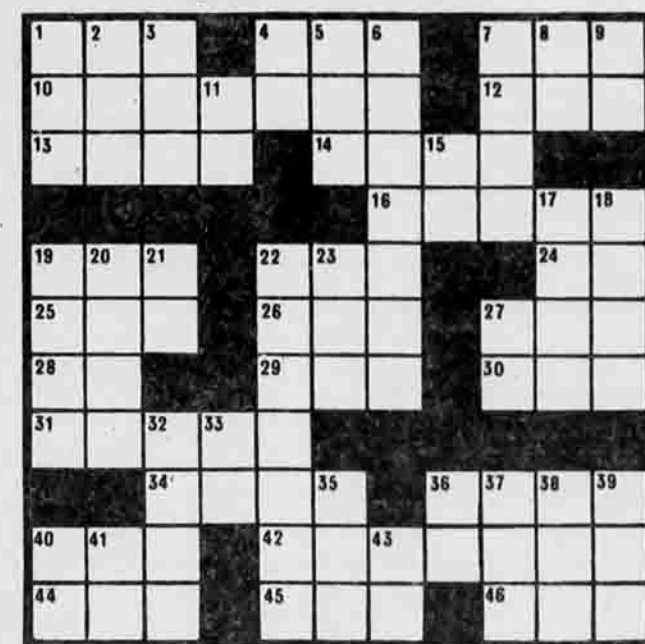
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At Camp Bagong Diwa in Taguig, Rizal, a number of political detainees also escaped while on the way to trial or while on pass for a family visit. One of them was Jose Luneta, alleged CPP secretary-general.

According to the military, Luneta was able to convince his escorts to visit a relative's clinic for a check-up. It was while at the clinic that Luneta decided to end his six-year detention, in the process driving his escorts to tears, and to jail. — Philippine News and Features



By RENE MARCIANO



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Yesterday's solution

Special report

Drug workers lead way in unionization

By ANNABELLE S. CUEVA
(Conclusion)

At Winthrop Stearns, where "union is affiliated with the FFW, management decided to pass on to Marsman and Co. the distribution of its Cortal and Lysol products when the union threatened to strike.

Marsman Employees Union president Bonifacio Panaligan, also of the DFA, however, advised Marsman to turn down the deal until Winthrop Stearns settles its labor dispute. Marsman management reportedly bewailed the fact that drug firms have begun to lose their management prerogative because of the existing alliance of drug workers.

To this, Panaligan replied that the union would never concern itself with company policies as long as these do not jeopardize labor's interest.

Joint pickets

Both the DFA and the FFW have also successfully staged joint pickets at the offices of MOLE and the American Chamber of Commerce in the Philip-

pines. Ultimately, they plan to confront the DAP and present common issues and demands.

Initially, the 16 drug unions which make up the core of the IDA until its formal revitalization have agreed to work on three main issues and problems concerning labor, namely: the growing threat against job security, trade union repression, and low wages.

If anything else, workers in the drug industry may yet show the way towards industry-level labor unity to which various past efforts have failed.

Derailed

For example, the defunct Congress of Labor Organizations (CLO) in the 1950s attempted this but it was effectively derailed when the CLO itself was dismantled as a result of a massive government crackdown against militant labor at the time.

Since then, the labor movement remained divided as various warring labor groups pro-



Joke Only

By FR. BEN A. CARREON, OMI

Bible endorses the confession

I asked a young priest why he didn't believe in confession. "It's not in the Bible," he said. Read Matthew 18:18: "Whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."

"There is nothing about sin in that," he replied. Okay read John 20:23: "If you forgive people's sin, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

The crowd roared in laughter and applause.

The town of Kabakan, Cotabato is small but it has 17 different churches. The joke there is that no beerhouse could be built because you cannot find a space more than 50 meters away from a church.

When I watched the play "Caligula" at the Rizal theater, I happened to sit next to Butz Aquino. During a dull moment, Butz shouted to the star on stage: "Caligula, mag-resign ka na!"

The best way to give medicine to a dog is to talk to him about dull subjects, then drop a pill down his throat when he yawns.

"Bayot" is Visayan for "bakla." An American priest once said: "There's a sure cure for the bayot, it's an antibiotic."

The son of a justice trying the Aquino case wrote recently to his father from the U.S.: "I hope it's not lutong makaw."

The pastor eagerly shook hands with the elderly couple celebrating their golden wedding anniversary. "In these times, you two renew my faith. I'm sure you feel you have made a success of your marriage."

"Well," chimed in the lovely lady, with a cautious glance at her husband. "So far."

Teacher: Can anyone make a sentence using the word archaic?

Student: We can't have archaic and eat it too.

Some people were born poor. Some were born blind or deaf mute. Some were born rich.

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"We think it's more normal" without the lectern, he said. So Soares just stands with his speech in hands and talks.

While television is "everything" to American politicians, Jacinto said, Portuguese politicians are "very careful of TV."

The reason, he said, is "if we present the prime minister all the time (on television,) the people don't like it."

Television is used only to make important political points, he said.

Special report

Drug workers lead way in unionization

By ANNABELLE S. CUEVA
(Conclusion)

At Winthrop Stearns, where "union is affiliated with the FFW, management decided to pass on to Marsman and Co. the distribution of its Cortal and Lysol products when the union threatened to strike.

Marsman Employees Union president Bonifacio Panaligan, also of the DFA, however, advised Marsman to turn down the deal until Winthrop Stearns settles its labor dispute. Marsman management reportedly bewailed the fact that drug firms have begun to lose their management prerogative because of the existing alliance of drug workers.

To this, Panaligan replied that the union would never concern itself with company policies as long as these do not jeopardize labor's interest.

Joint pickets

Both the DFA and the FFW have also successfully staged joint pickets at the offices of MOLE and the American Chamber of Commerce in the Philip-

pinas. Ultimately, they plan to confront the DAP and present common issues and demands.

Initially, the 16 drug unions which make up the core of the IDA until its formal revitalization have agreed to work on three main issues and problems concerning labor, namely: the growing threat against job security, trade union repression, and low wages.

If anything else, workers in the drug industry may yet show the way towards industry-level labor unity to which various past efforts have failed.

Derailed

For example, the defunct Congress of Labor Organizations (CLO) in the 1950s attempted this but it was effectively derailed when the CLO itself was dismantled as a result of a massive government crackdown against militant labor at the time.

Since then, the labor movement remained divided as various warring labor groups pro-

Satur Ocampo's dramatic May 5 escape from military captivity was not without precedent. Since 1972, other political detainees have staged their own bold escapes.

Commenting on Defense Minister Juan Ponce Enrile's remark that Satur's "self-release" was unprecedented, former political prisoners told Philippine News and Features that Enrile was either covering up similar incidents in the past or is not privy to his own ministry's record.

They recalled that the minister himself had been furious whenever a political prisoner escaped. His fury would send military authorities in hot pursuit of the escapees, and the military escorts would end up in the stockade.

Satur, 46, father of four and one-time business editor of the defunct Manila Times, escaped from his six-man Metrocom escort team after voting at the National Press Club (NPC) elections last week.

Longest held

Linked by the government to the aborted MV Karagatan arms smuggling attempt in 1972, Satur was arrested in 1976 and has been detained since. He was, at the time of his escape, one of the longest-held political detainees in the Philippines.

During the early years of martial law, thousands of Filipinos were incarcerated in military camps throughout the country. Branded as "subversives", the political detainees were a mixture of national democrats, students, teachers, anti-Marcos politicians and Lavadites (alleged members of the old Partido Komunista ng Pilipinas or PKP).

The privilege of the writ of habeas corpus having been suspended, many of the detainees were never charged in court.



liferated.

In 1972, the Marcos government ventured to restructure the labor movement through its own version of industry-line trade unionism, the "one-union, one-industry" concept. But this was seen as a veiled attempt to tighten the government's grip on labor so that eventually, a good number of big labor organizations resisted.

Jolted into action

The intensity of the current

Great escapes

Satur Ocampo's wasn't the first

Driven to escape

After undergoing, in many cases, physical and mental torture, prolonged captivity and the uncertainty of their cases drove many detainees to escape.

In some instances, escape was then unthinkable, albeit possible, given the maximum security in military stockades, with their watch towers, guards, being rotated at precise hours, and high-powered arms.

Daringness was what many of the political detainees had. The element of surprise, planning and patience were what they tried to gain.

At the start of martial law, several student activists detained in Bicol and Samar escaped military stockades simply by climbing over barbed wire. A number of them also fled while on a pass accompanied by military escorts.



SATUR OCAMPO attending Press Club function

During a storm

One of the most sensational escapes was that staged by young poet Maria Lorena Barros and five other detainees on the night of Nov. 1, 1974 from a military prison in Fort Bonifacio.

The six sneaked through barbed wire in near zero visibility because of a storm. (Maria Lorena was killed in an encounter with government troops in Mauban, Quezon, two years later.)

Their escape was preceded by that of three other co-detainees in the same camp. One of them was a La Sallite priest

who, after breaking loose from his escorts at a Manila restaurant, reportedly sought asylum at a foreign embassy.

Jopson flees

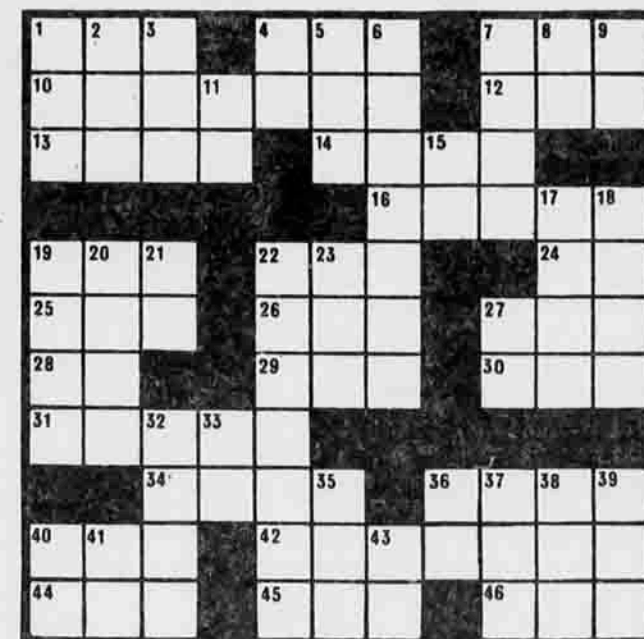
In 1977, former student leader Edgar Jopson also escaped. Jopson was with a group of students being brought for an arraignment at Camp Crame after their arrest by a military intelligence group when he escaped. (He was killed by government troops during a raid in Davao City in 1982.)

At Camp Bagong Diwa in Taguig, Rizal, a number of political detainees also escaped while on the way to trial or while on pass for a family visit. One of them was Jose Luneta, alleged CPP secretary-general.

According to the military, Luneta was able to convince his escorts to visit a relative's clinic for a check-up. It was while at the clinic that Luneta decided to end his six-year detention, in the process driving his escorts to tears, and to jail. — Philippine News and Features



By RENE MARCIANO



Pusilal Pusilal

ACROSS

- 1 Vast water area
- 4 Honest ---
- 7 Defendant in famous double murder case
- 10 Head of court trying the case
- 12 Anger
- 13 Ouch! Pii.
- 14 Solar disk
- 16 Two now-famous words in double murder case
- 19 Firmament
- 22 Karate shout
- 24 Atop
- 25 Malaysian Premier
- 26 Building extension
- 27 Individual
- 28 Not down
- 29 Thing, in law
- 30 Moisture
- 31 Donor
- 34 Hebrew dry measure
- 36 Labor

DOWN

- 1 Spring resort
- 2 Grain spike
- 3 Chalice
- 4 100 square meters
- 5 Sheep's bleat
- 6 Necessitates
- 7 Wine: lt.
- 8 Hesitating sound
- 9 Musical note
- 11 Alas!
- 15 Approved!
- 17 Not one
- 18 Once more
- 19 Controversial piece of evidence in double murder case
- 20 Military cap
- 21 Archaic pronoun
- 22 Prosecutor in

- double murder case
- 23 Malt brew
- 27 Alleged force
- 32 Pledges
- 33 Printing measure
- 35 Priest's title: abbr.
- 36 Symbol for tellurium
- 37 Tenth mo.
- 38 Floe
- 39 Another defendant in double murder case
- 40 Musical note
- 41 Bone
- 43 Exist



Yesterday's solution

Antidote to toxin developed

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Military scientists say they have developed an antidote that saved the lives of half of a group of rats exposed to a toxin in "Yellow Rain," which the US government claims has been used as a biological warfare agent in Southeast Asia.

The antitoxin proved effective for rats and may be of limited use in humans, said Dr. Giora Feuerstein of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda, Maryland.

An antidote specifically designed to treat humans is expected to be developed in a few years, Feuerstein said.

The antidote is directed against the most destructive of a few highly lethal, fungal toxins — called trichothecenes — found in Yellow Rain, said Feuerstein, a pharmacologist. The toxin is designated T-2, he said.

The term "Yellow Rain" refers to spots of yellow powder found in Southeast Asia that contain the trichothecene toxins. Refugees reported chemical attacks left yellow, rainlike spots near their villages.

A 1982 State Department report said that Yellow Rain and chemical weapons given by the Soviet Union to its allies in Southeast Asia had killed 6,310 people in Laos, 981 in Cambodia and 3,042 in Afghanistan during the previous seven years.

The Soviets denied the accusation, saying they abided by treaties outlawing use of such weapons.

Matthew Meselson, a biologist and chemical warfare expert at Harvard University, has argued that the Yellow Rain was bee excrement dropped during "massive defecation flights."

The State Department has stood by its claims, but last year reported use of Soviet-supplied chemical weapons has dropped sharply.



'Tokens'

Minsan ay sinubukan naming sumakay sa Light Rail Transit (LRT) galing sa Carriedo, papuntang Central Station sa Lawton.

"Token" o metal na pera-perahan, sa halip na tiket, ang ipinalit sa pera naming ibinayad. May bantay pang sekyuriti gard ang makinang dapat hulugan ng tokens. Baka nga naman hindi ito ihulog ng mga Pinoy na maabilidad at mahilig sa souvenirs.

At istilong Pinoy pa rin, parang kawan ng mga tupa na inipon muna ng ilang tauhan ng LRT ang lahat ng mga pasahero bago sila pinapanhik sa estribo ng tren sa ikalawang palapag. Noong ilang segundo na lang bago dumating ang tren saka pinapanhik sabay-sabay ang makapal na pulutong ng mga pasahero.

Malinis at makinis pa ang sinakyan naming tren. Ilang buwan pa lang naman itong ginagamit. Disyembre lang nang buksan ang LRT.

Puno na ang tren nang sumakay kami. Nakatindig na ang mga pasahero. Mabuti na lang at suwabe ang takbo ng bagong makina. Walang alikabok na masasagap sa biyahe liban marahil sa amoy pawis ng tao kapag siksikan ito nang husto.

Puwede na rin ang magandang tanawin mula sa tren ng matim at maduming tubig ng ilog Pasig.

Noong isang araw lang ay binuksan ang North Terminal ng

LRT, kumpleto na ang biyahe nito, mula Monumento hanggang Baclaran.

At sabi nga nila, madami daw kabutihang maidudulot ang pagsakay sa LRT — mabilis, matipid, malinis, at maaasahan. Siguro nga.

Kulang at kulang pa rin ang transportasyong pampubliko sa Kamaynilaan. At totoong malaking tulong ang maidudulot ng LRT sa mga pasahero sa siyudad.

Pero sabi naman ng iba, paano daw naman ang libu-libong tsuper na apektado ng pagbubukas ng LRT? Noon pang isang taon ay nag-umpisa nang tangalin ang mga ruta ng dyipni sa kahabaan ng daan ng LRT.

Ngayon na pumupusisyon sa industriya ng transportasyon ang gobyerno ay ang mga drayber naman ang nawawalan ng trabaho, o lalong lumiliit ang kita. Dahil nabawasan ang kanilang mga pasahero.

Sasamantalahin din daw ng malalaking kompanya ng bus ang maraming mga tsuper na walang trabaho para magpasuweldo ng mababa.

At tulad din ng inaasahan, ang mga desisyon ng gobyerno na tulad nito ay kaduda-duda para sa marami.

Sino daw ba ang talagang makikinabang sa pagpasok ng gobyerno sa industriya ng transportasyon?

Sabi ng ibang mga tsuper ay ang mga dayuhan na inuutangan ng gobyerno ng kapital para sa industriya. Sabi naman ng iba, ang pagpasok ng gobyerno sa industriya ng transportasyon ay isang paraan lang para makontrol nito ang pagtataas ng halaga ng langis. Wala na daw magwewelgang mga tsuper at opereytor kapag gobyerno na ang may-ari ng lahat ng mga sasakyang pampubliko.

Ang nalalaman ko ay P3.4 bilyon ang halaga ng LRT at ito ay inutang sa gobyerno ng Belgium. At kung ito ay utang, ito ay babayaran.

Sino daw ba ang magbabayad ng utang na ito? Sino pa, sabi ng isang tsuper, kundi ang kawan ng mga tupa na isa-isang pinaghuhulog ng token sa makinang binabantayan ng sekyuriti gard.

THE FORUM Chronicle

By NORA O. GAMOLO

Today in history:

Supreme Court

May 15, 1583 — A royal decree is promulgated creating the Real Audiencia de Manila, forerunner of today's Supreme Court.

Jaycees demo

May 15, 1971 — Some 4,000 businessmen, all members of the Philippine Jaycees, held a demonstration nationwide to dramatize demands for a non-partisan Constitutional Convention.

RP delegates

May 15, 1909 — Manuel L. Quezon and Benito Legarda are elected Philippine delegates to the United States Congress.

KKK meeting

May 15, 1895 — Andres Bonifacio presides at a meeting of Katipunan officials and provincial chapter presidents in Antipolo to discuss plans of the movement.

New animal species found in Krakatoa

JAKARTA (AP) — A scientific team has discovered 15 new species of five different animal groups on the islands of Krakatoa of West Java, the Armed Forces Daily Angkatan Bersenjata reported.

On Aug. 27, 1883, the island of Krakatoa blew up in the most violent volcanic upheaval on record.

The explosion, which was heard 4,820 kilometers away, killed 36,000 people.

The daily quoted a recent report from the Indonesian-Australian joint expedition as saying they found what appeared to be land molluscs (shellfish), insects and birds not seen by previous expeditions.

Life forms were generally

believed to have disappeared from the islands after the 1883 explosion and subsequent falls of ash and seismic waves.

The leader of the expedition said in his report, "We know we have an additional snake species, a burrowing blind snake which had not been recorded on the islands before."

He said the team found another gecko, the carnivorous reptile-eating gecko, "which makes a very obvious sound and has clearly only recently arrived on the island."

New book on labor union out

Aklat Pilipino, a new publishing house, released recently its first book, a 72-page illustrated worker's manual entitled "Unyon" written by Rody del Rosario and Rosario del Rosario.

The manual is written in Filipino. It is straightforward and effective and deals comprehensively with the current situations in the labor movement.

The book describes workers' rights, what a union is and how it should be organized, and contains a short but up-to-date history of workers' struggles in the country.

In his preface to "Unyon," Professor Perfecto Fernandez of the UP College of Law said he believes the manual will contribute to the development of a new generation of trade union leaders and practitioners.

"Unyon" will be of interest not only to workers but also to organizers in general, to educators, students, and persons interested in the problems that Filipino workers face today.

Copies of the book are available at all leading bookstores.

Trivial Pursuit

When you lick a stamp, how many calories do you consume?

Answer to previous question: A few is relative in respect to the number in which it is being compared.



With 2,360 inventions, he beats Edison

TOKYO (AP) — Dr. Yoshiro Nakamats soothes his brain daily with alpha waves and bolsters it with special food and exercise. It has been good to him, too — generating ideas for some 2,360 patents.

Indeed, Nakamats says he has generated more inventions than Thomas Edison or anyone else.

Nakamats — the un-Japanese spelling is his invention, too — has seen 14 of his creations purchased by International Business Machines Corp.

He has created a gold putter that uses vibrations to help guide the ball to the cup, and a speaker that stretches the audible scale up to a pitch only dogs can hear and down

to a brain-massaging thump.

Hall of Fame

Such brainstorming earned Nakamats 1982 induction into the International Inventors Hall of Fame, an honorary organization run by the Inventors Club of America.

They also have made him the blue ribbon winner at the New York International Expo for Inventors for the past three years.

But he says he would discard all of his inventions before his "brain chair," the basis of his "new brain revolution" and the place where he begins each day.

Alpha waves

For 30 minutes every morning, the chair transmits sonic waves through his feet, pushing blood to his cranium, and caresses his brain with alpha waves and the gentle trickling sound of a stream.

Nakamats works at Naco, his own company, from 9 a.m. to midnight, promoting his inventions with 110 employees, and lectures regularly in engineering at Tokyo University.

At midnight he retires to his "calm room," meditating on a tatami mat amid ferns, a stream, and a rock garden — what he calls the "old way" of brain rejuvenation.

"Suji" and "iki"

The quiet helps Nakamats muster two of the three aspects of every successful invention, "suji," or theory, and "iki," putting theory to work.

When sufficiently soothed, Nakamats returns to his "dynamic room," the hub of "pica" or sheer inspiration.

Nakamats said most "street inventors" overflow with the raw brilliance of "pica" but lack theoretical background and marketing sense to make their inventions scientifically relevant and profitable.

Different process

"My process is completely different," he said. "Everyday

I churn out many, many ideas in my 'dynamic room,' or elsewhere, but my purpose is to select the one or two I have decided will work and sell."

After listening to Beethoven's 5th Symphony, the inventor returns to the "calm room" to work on projects.

Then, for four hours, even Nakamats sleeps.

Chair for rent

Nakamats rents his chair for

\$30 a month, primarily to parents desperate for anything to help carry their children through Japan's notorious "examination hell" that determines entry to a good university.

He also has enrolled some 350 executives, lawyers, and doctors in his "brain school," and teaches the exercises, diet, and meditation that he said "make the brain a perfect vessel for thought and creativity."

1st Star awards By JOEL B. SARACHO

The latest Nora-Vilma playground

The Philippine Movie Press Club (PMPC) gave out its first Star Awards last night at the Main Theater of the Manila Film Center. Hyped as the local counterpart of the Golden Globe Awards, this newest awards giving body named Nora Aunor and Rudy Fernandez as Best Actress and Actor, respectively.

The Star of First Magnitude Award, considered the highest category in this latest addition to local showbiz's already long list of awards-bodies, went to director-activist Lino Brocka for his continuing crusade against censorship, the welfare of the movie industry and for introducing the Filipino movie industry in the international circle through his well-crafted films.

Aunor won for her sensitive portrayal of an expatriate nurse in the movie 'Merika. Earlier this year, she was also named Best Actress in the Catholic Mass Media Awards as a prison inmate who escaped detention in *Bulaklak sa City Jail*.

Apparently a favorite in last night's ceremonies, Aunor also capped the Star of the Night award even as she was also nominated for three other categories namely, the Star of the First Magnitude, Darling of the Press and Newsmaker of the Year.

She won over archrival Vilma Santos — the only other nominee in the best actress



NORA AUNOR

category. Santos was nominated for two roles, as a fighting nun in *Sister Stella L* and a cuckolding wife in *Adultery*. Aunor, meanwhile, gathered three acting nominations for 'Merika, *Bulaklak* and *Condemned*.

Rudy Fernandez, on the other hand, garnered the best actor plum for the movie *Batuigas: Pasukin si Waway*, for which he also won the Academy trophy last May 5.

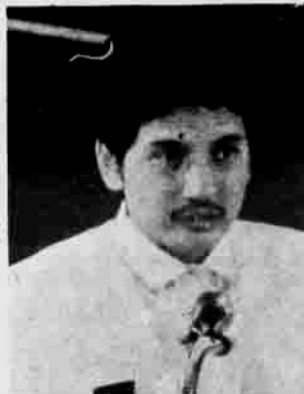
Given as the movie working press' recognition of excellence and achievements in the movie industry, the Star Awards has long been an obsession of the PMPC.

The complete list of winners goes as follows:

Best Actress — Nora Aunor ('Merika); Best Actor — Rudy Fernandez (*Batuigas: Pasukin si Waway*); Star of the First Magnitude — Lino Brocka; Darling of the Press — Inday Badi-day.



Presentor Arthur QUINTO & Jaypee de Guzman



RUDY FERNANDEZ

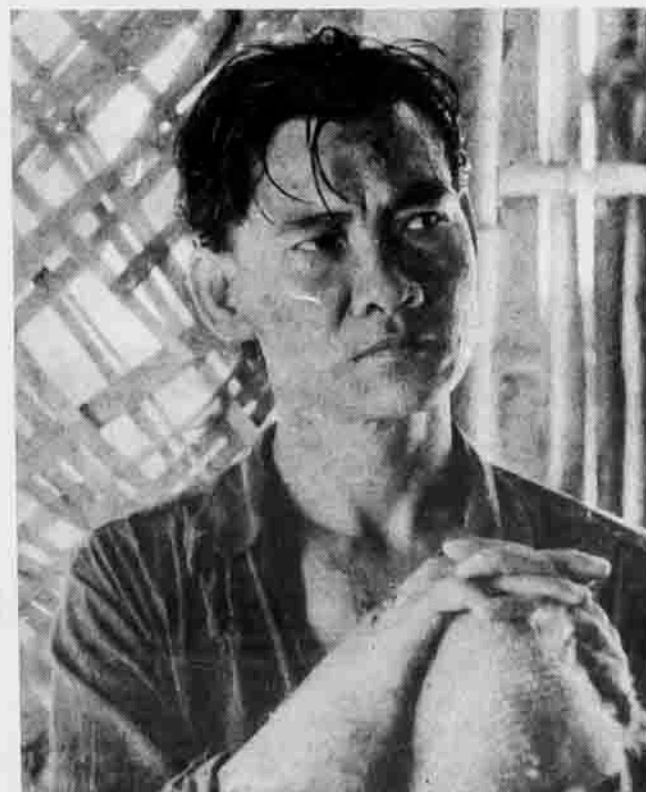
Producer of the Year — Regal Films; Director of the Year — Mario O' Hara (*Bulaklak sa City Jail*); Movie of the Year — *Sister Stella L*; Best Supporting Actor — Tony Santos, Sr. (*Stella L*); Best Supporting Actress — Laurice Guillen (*Stella L*); Movie Child Performer of the Year — Jaypee de Guzman (*Mga Batang Yagit*).

New Male Movie Star of the Year — Aga Muhlach; New

Female Movie Star — Maritess Gutierrez and Sarsi Emmanuelle; Best Original Screenplay — Raquel Villavicencio (*Teenage Marriage*); Best Screenplay Adaptation — Lualhati Bautista (*Bulaklak*); Cinematographer of the Year — Ely Cruz ('Merika); Star of the Night — Nora Aunor.

Newsmaker of the Year awards goes to husband and wife Gabby Concepcion and Sharon Cuneta for their sensational wedding last year.

The PMPC likewise, granted a plaque of recognition to people and institutions who have supported the club and the awarding ceremonies. Awarded were Marichu Maceda, Film Academy of the Philippines Deputy Secretary General for Administration and Finance; the Movie Workers Welfare Fund (Mowelfund); Fr. Nicasio Cruz, SJ, chairman, Communication Arts Department, Ateneo de Manila University; and Billy Balbastro, movie journalist and past PMPC president.



Facing starvation, disease and mass murder at the hands of the Khmer Rouge, Dith Pran (HAING S. NGOR) can think only of survival in "The Killing Fields," a Warner Bros. release.

Soundtrack album from 'Beverly Hills Cop' released

Starring Eddie Murphy and sure to be a big hit, BEVERLY HILLS COP is a feisty comedy/action picture with Murphy as a Detroit cop who takes leave to come to Beverly Hills to track down the murderer of a friend.

The music from the movie is suitably hot and rambunctious, boasting of an impressive line-up of recording talents. The first single from the album is Gleen Frey's "The Heat is On", a funky sax-guitar-driven material, co-produced and co-written by Keith Forsey who is best-known for his pro-

duction work for Billy Idol. The single has been in the top ten in the U.S. singles chart for seven weeks now. Other outstanding cuts featured in the album are the Pointer Sisters' "Neutron Dance", Shalamar's "Don't Get Stopped in Beverly Hills", Danny Elfman's "Gratitude" and Patti LaBelle's "New Attitude".

With the powerhouse array of recording artists in the BEVERLY HILLS COP soundtrack, the album is sure to be one of the hottest things to hit Manila this summer.

Lorna T. in two roles

Seeing a woman who is as talented and lovely as Lorna Tolentino cope with unrequited love seems like an impossibility but this is just what Lorna does in the coming Falcon Pictures presentation, "Hello Lover, Goodbye Friend."

The man Lorna is after is no other than loverboy Romeo Vasquez. Now why would Vasquez, who plays an interior decorator cum talent manager in the movie, shun Lorna's affections when he is living with Alma Moreno and having affairs with Alona Alegre and Rosemarie Gil. The reason is Lorna plays a 16-year-old jail-bait with a very rich father and Romeo is not about to risk his neck getting involved with her.

Lorna has already proven her versatility with a long list of films where she played all sorts of roles. The part of an innocent teenager seems to be one of her best and she proved this once more in the early sequences of the recent "Hindi Nahahati ang Langit." As the spoiled brat in "Hello Lover" she is more than up to the task.

Lorna is also cast in Viva Films' "Muling Buksan ang Puso." This time she is playing the part of the governess Helen, an intelligent young woman educated abroad who falls for a widowed doctor portrayed by Dindo Fernando. In contrast to the hair ribbons and bermuda shorts of "Hello Lover," she wears several up to the minute dresses in "Muling Buksan" and instead of being a brat, who expects everyone to cater to her every whim as she was in "Hello," she is full of intelligence, common sense and style in "Buksan."

Both pictures will also allow moviegoers to watch Lorna

alongside some of the country's finest and most beautiful actresses. For "Hello Lover," she co-stars with Alma Moreno, Maria Isabel Lopez and Alona Alegre. In "Muling Buksan" she pits talents against Vilma Santos, Sandy Andolong and Coney Reyes.

Some of the popular bagets stars of today also join Lorna in "Hello Lover." Herbert Bautista, Eula Valdez and Grace Gonzales play cameos in the movie as Lorna's barkada.



LORNA TOLENTINO

UP Concert Chorus in Munich

The 45-member UP Concert Chorus which includes a guitar group, opens its scheduled concerts at Munich's Deutsche Theater on June 8 as part of its five-month long Philippine Summer Arts Festival in Munich 1985 from May to September. The choir will also perform in Rosenheim, Ingolstadt, Rosenburg and other Bavarian cities; at Upper Bavaria and the Alps on June 10.

The Festival, showcasing Filipino Art Exhibits under

the patronage of H.E. Prime Minister Frans Josef Strauss, was organized in Germany by the Philippine-German Association Region Southern Bavaria, and in the Philippines by the Goethe Institut German Cultural Center Manila in cooperation with the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany.

Other performers and exhibitors in the Festival are Ballet Philippines, the Pangkat Kawayan, Teatro Obrero and Filipino organist Armando Salazar.



"Pagsasamantala ng Sistema sa Kababaihan" — Pastel on paper by Leonilo Doloricon

Sightings

By ALICE G. GUILLERMO

This time, at the Hiraya Gallery, social realist Neil Doloricon comes out with paintings in a new format: pastels on paper, small and quite portable in size, and mostly narrow, suggesting the vertical scroll. Earlier, he had worked in oils and acrylics, often using collaged material from newspaper clippings and experimenting with a montage effect through the use of wood panels of different cuts and sizes. But always, his art has been responsive to events, and likewise, sensitive to the people who toil and struggle and, wittingly or unwittingly, create history.

Doloricon's present style is thus a new development, and as such, expands the range of options in the vocabulary of social realism. There is, in fact, a sense of development in the show itself. The first three works, for instance, are more somber in color — the family group and the crucified worker assuming Christ's persona — at the same time that they have a pained and brooding spirit. From these initial works, the artist shifted from their dark heavy mood conveying the sense of workers as victims to a more positive and optimistic expression.

Mayo Uno, as the show is entitled, achieves an assertive and militant spirit, not without a celebratory note. One comes away with the impression of the power of the people: here they are mostly workers in alliance with peasants, as in *Alyansa ng Manggagawa at Magsasaka*. The artist is able to convey the idea of the workers as forces, the forces of production; in fact, possessing skill, strength and dynamism. Quite notable is that the small vertical format is no longer incidental. Rather, the artist uses this format to advantage, expressively, by tight and cropped compositions of numerous figures that convey the feeling of compressed and pent-up energy, of human figures struggling against the limitations imposed upon them, against the restraints of the format

Doloricon's people power

that regiments them, all of which suggests in a clever visual way the struggle of the dynamic forces of production against the system, i.e., the relations of production that have rigidified and become constricting to forces that project their dynamism into the future.

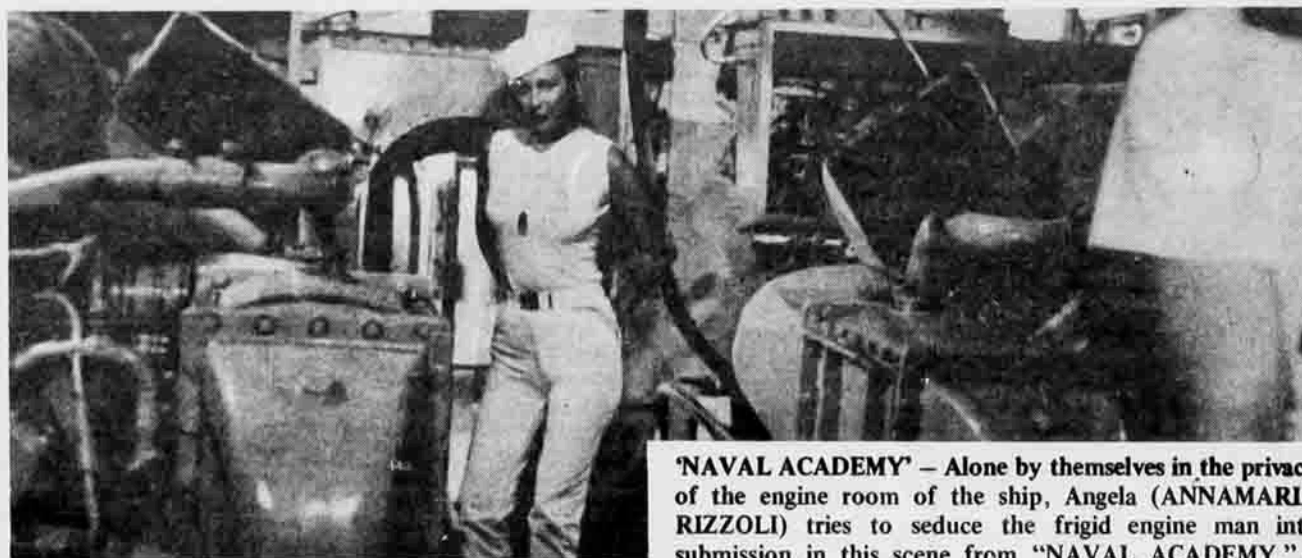
The figures of the men and women in militant gestures seem just ready to burst out of the picture frame.

The artist achieves this interesting effect on a sure sense of design, with their strong diagonals, their angular and jagged force lines, and their vigorous rhythms. Likewise, the artist's approach and manner, unlike his earlier measured delineations, is now spontaneous, cursive, and gestural in the figurative context, and therefore allied in temper to journalism with its rapid pace, its up-to-the-minute responsiveness. Some distortion is used to bring out the vigorous rhythms of the design as well as to convey feeling more strongly and forcefully. This is seen, for instance in *Gapiin ang Kaaway*, in which a strong worker's fist clutches the enemy, seen as foreign monopoly capital.

The strong colors, mainly red, blue and green, which are as vivid as pastel can be, bring out the feeling of energy and affirmation; modulations of hue and tone enhance the expression of strength in the musculature of the figures, in the workers' sinews that constitute their power.

There are numerous images of strikes, picketlines, the struggle of factory workers, men and women side by side, against the assailing truncheons of the military. The idea of exploitation is brought out in the two-leveled work showing the managers carousing and indulging freely in wine, women, and song, while below them the workers partake of a poor meal of dried fish. A number of the workers also deal with women's issues contextualized in the larger struggle.

Doloricon's present exhibit strikingly demonstrates the artist grappling with problems of form and style in the context of socio-political themes. The artist would do well to pursue this direction, explore its full potential and work for its larger dissemination outside the gallery circuit.



'NAVAL ACADEMY' — Alone by themselves in the privacy of the engine room of the ship, Angela (ANNAMARIA RIZZOLI) tries to seduce the frigid engine man into submission in this scene from "NAVAL ACADEMY," a riotous sex-comedy, also starring Bombolo Cannavale. Directed by Mariano Laurenti, the film has been acclaimed by critics as "funnier than 'Police Academy.'"

PITIK

— BOYET



BATA BA TUTA?

— MAUI



Children's play opens

Ang *Lalaki Nga Naman!* finally opens on May 16 in a gala night and with regular shows on May 17-19, 23-26 at the GSP Auditorium on Padre Faura, Taft Ave. (beside Manila Science High School). Showtime is 7:30 p.m.

Presented by the Metropolitan Teen Theater League (MTTL) — youth arm of the Philippine Educational Theater Association (PETA) in cooperation with Goethe-Institut, Manila — the entire play is devoted to the "women's question"; to the problems of the adult world as seen from a child's perspective as directly related to his/her sphere of activities.

It is a children's play but not limited for children only. The issues being raised in the play ("role" of

women, children's right to self-expression and criticism, and workers' condition) fit everyone's age and social awareness levels.

Cecilia Garrucho of *Tele-Aralan ng Kakayahan* and Bodjie Pascua of *Batibot* lead the cast of the realistic musical play directed by Reiner Luecker of the Grips Theater of West Berlin. Nanding Josef, Angie Cante-ro, Jules Dasmariñas, and Alice Saturay are also in the cast.

"Ang Lalaki Nga Naman!" is Charley dela Paz' adaptation of a German children's play entitled "Mannomann!" written by Volker Ludwig and Reiner Luecker.

Tickets are available at all National Bookstore branches and at the lobby of the GSP Auditorium.

Who's behind prostitution?

Is there a connivance between policemen and operators and maintainers of prostitution rings?

This question surfaced Monday in the weekly session of the "Kapihan sa Maynila" at the Manila Hotel after former Justice Milagros German asked what the police forces have done to combat the rising tide of prostitution (male and female) in the city.

The former justice of agrarian reforms and judge of the juvenile court said that the police have not been conducting follow-ups on reports of child abuse despite the numerous newspaper stories and exposes.

Justice German said she was not in favor of a bill seeking to increase the penalties for those involved in prostitution. "Increasing the penalty is meaningless," she said. "What we need is more and stricter implementation of laws," the lady justice added.

She recalled that one day when she was still a judge, the Manila policemen arrested a well-known maintainer of a prostitution house in Singalong, Malate.

She said "Loleng", the maintainer's name, was prosecuted

and subsequently convicted by the court for running a red house.

"But today, we have yet to deal with a court conviction of persons involved in the flesh trade," the justice lamented.

In answer to her question, Brig. Gen. Narciso Cabrera of the Western Police District, said all complaints against the existence of prostitution and child abuse are being acted upon.

Cabrera cited the case of a prostitution den which he identified as "New Heaven" which, according to him, has been raided several times by the police and that criminal charges have been filed against the operator or maintainer.

The Manila police chief reported that from March 22 to May 1, 1985 the police have arrested a total of 743 prostitutes and 550 minors with ages ranging from 8 to 12, who have been found roaming the streets past the curfew time imposed on minors.

Cabrera said the phenomenon of "pedophiles" has only been experienced lately. He vowed the Manila police would do everything within its legal means to eradicate or arrest the proliferation of this malady. — Bobby Burgos

Marcos' new way to kill democracy

President Marcos could have found a new way of killing democracy by cracking down on human rights lawyers, an opposition solon said yesterday.

MP Homobono Adaza (Mindanao Alliance-Misamis Oriental) said the recent arrest of three human rights lawyers in Mindanao could become another pattern by which Marcos could seek to stifle democratic advocacy and perpetuate his regime.

"When Marcos succeeded in doing something unchecked, he makes a pattern out of it,"

By JONAS SINEL

Adaza said. He added that all human rights advocates should make a united move to nip this precedents "before it could become another malady".

Lawyers Laurente Ilagan, chairman of the Bagong Alyan-sang Makabayan (Bayan-Mindanao) and Antonio Arellano, secretary-general of the Nationalist Alliance in Mindanao — were arrested after attending the Bayan-Mindanao summit conference last May 7.

Adaza, was the only government official who attended the summit called to discuss problems in the south. He said that it

was even the military and high government officials who courted the idea of a conference after a two-day Mindanao-wide general strike last May 2 and 3. The strike, considered as highly successful, paralyzed the entire transport, educational and production operations in the whole island.

Meanwhile, lawyer Rene Saguisag of Movement of At-

torneys for Brotherhood, Integrity and Nationalism, Inc. (MABINI) said that what continues to disturb them was the process with which the lawyers were arrested.

Saguisag also revealed that a general strike will be held tomorrow in Davao to demand the immediate release of the three lawyers.

Saguisag said that "what struck him as novel" was the use only of mission orders for the arrest of the lawyers.

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custom them to fear, manipulation and submission."

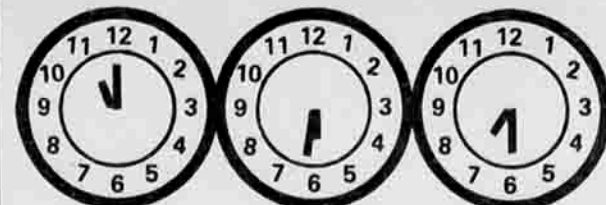
Bayan also charged that the Marcos regime has "sought to disguise its malevolent purposes through sham political exercises."

The new political federation of opposition and cause-oriented groups also accused the Marcos government of planning to stage elections "under dubious rules."

"The Filipino people have never swallowed the results of sham elections, nor will they be cowed or crushed by state-sanctioned terror tactics," Bayan said in a resolution furnished the press.

The resolution said the growing variety, frequency and intensity of mass protest actions have "shaken the very roots of the Marcos regime, unsettled its

METRO CRIME CLOCK



KILLING

Two taxi drivers lost their vehicles and earnings while a man was found dead at his home from 2 a.m. to 10 a.m. yesterday in Quezon City and Manila.

At 11 a.m., Diosdado Olan, 36, a Meralco bill collector was shoved by two unidentified men and threatened with bodily harm. Some P6,630 in cash were taken from him near Dart St. in Paco. His assailants fled aboard a motorcycle.

At 10 p.m., a patrolman from the Chinatown Detachment was responding to a call when he was speared in the right leg just below the knee. Patrolman Alfonso Nueva, 25, tried to pacify a group of troublemakers near the corner of Pilapil and Dagupan streets in Tondo. After he fired some warning shots, a man, Rodolfo Tejero, 27, went up to Nueva and hit him with a steel-tipped wooden spear. Nueva shot Tejero who landed at the Jose R. Reyes Memorial Hospital.

About 6:30 p.m. an unidentified male was stabbed dead after a drinking

STABBING

spree somewhere in Bacood, Sta. Mesa. The second incident occurred at 11:30 p.m. Manuel Estacio, 30, of 2445 Sigua street, Sta. Ana, Manila, was found dead in his home by his brother. Estacio reportedly entertained some people with drinks. Some empty cartons of chocolate drinks and three pairs of sandals were found at the scene.

Within less than an hour, two taxicab drivers were robbed and their units stolen. The first one occurred at the corner of Scout de Guia and Judge Jimenez streets in Quezon City at around 7:30 p.m. The complainant Manuel Martinez, 42, said that two unidentified males with a female companion who boarded his Sandigan taxi took the vehicle (with plate number MTR532) and his earnings. The second at 8:20 p.m. at 5th street corner Gilmore Ave., Barangay Manriana, QC, involved four suspects, who divested Apolinario Caspe, 44, of some P560 and his Rowena taxi with plate number MGH 625. — Eric Olona

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imperialist support and exposed to the world the illegitimacy of the regime and the extent of its unpopularity with majority of the Filipino people."

The Marcos regime, Bayan

leaders added, was compelled to react with further palliatives and is expected to use "more desperate repressive measures."

"These insidious and destructive measures can only be foiled by a more sustained public militancy," Bayan said, adding that "more telling and effective mass protest actions and more massive and forthright demonstrations of the popular will drive the message home."

According to Bayan national leaders, these mass actions must include "all forms of non-violent struggle such as marches, rallies, demonstrations, boycotts, mass leaves and even participation in elections that "genuinely advance the people's cause."

They said "mass organization and participation in its activities are vital not just to defeat and dismantle the Marcos regime today, but to build in its aftermath a society whose leaders truly represent the people."

Bayan added that only through genuine representation can the people be assured of laws that articulate the common will and where the people are "truly sovereign and masters of their own destiny."

Arsenia Sagaray SHE'S STILL LOOKING FORWARD TO GLORY DAYS OF OLD

By IGNACIO DEE

Prodigies are the main attractions of any sport. There is something awe-inspiring in athletes who have barely passed the line that divides the child from the budding teenager. It is as if people are seeing special beings endowed with uncanny natural skills to excel at such a young age while grown-ups are still looking for the right training mix to hit it big.

But they enter like the bright halo of a comet and fade as quickly. Joan Laput, then 10, won the women's marathon during the 1982 Manila International Marathon in a hail of glory but yielded soon to the realities of the sport. Now, she is just an ordinary-racer just striving to run good times to make it to the top 10.

Rosalinda Catulong burst on the scene at 11, winning the 1977 Band-aid 7-kilometer national race in Cebu and taking second in the Band-aid 10-kilometer cross country run that December. At 12 years old, she set the national record of 10:35.6 in the 3,000-meter run during the 1978 National Open juniors in Marikina. Until 15, she was still breaking records; in fact her 10:09.5 in the 3,000 set 1980 in the Palarong Bagong Lipunan remains unbroken to this day. But she outgrew her potential, now at 19 years old she races infrequently; she is more seen at the ULTRA cheering for boyfriend Elmer Reyes of Northern Consolidated.

Whether or not Gintong Alay coach Tony Benson burned Catulong in training as Tatang de Vega likes to insist is all water under the

bridge. But another runner whose love for running Tatang swears Benson destroyed is still going on strong, if under the shadows of current enfant terrible Rowena Monton, 16, and another ex-prodigy, Vilma Sta. Rosa, Marietta Tabangin, Remedios Malubay and the upcoming 14-year-old Edeng Banta.

Nobody paid any attention to her during the Cagayan de Oro national trackfest. However, Arsenia Santiago Sagaray keeps plodding on. At the age of 18, the years off Gintong Alay have not slowed down her leg speed or induced anxiety in her fighting heart. In Oro, running with her typical exaggerated forward lean, she was third in the 3,000 meters in 11:05.1, below Monton and Sta. Rosa but above Mercy Rendaje. In the 1,500 meters, she was fourth in 5:01 behind Tabangin, Sta. Rosa and Nenita Dungca.

Characteristically, she retains her confidence. "Naku, sir, kung may practice pa ako. Kaya ko sila. Hindi ako takot sa kanila. Mas mabigat ang practice namin kay coach Benson," she told WE Forum.

Sagaray was the first of the enfant terribles in athletics. At the age of 11, she bagged the 1,500 and 3,000 meters, setting a new RP record in the latter with 11:00.2 in the 1977 National Open in Manila. In the SEA Games that year, she displayed her immense potential by landing third in the 7-1/2 lap race in an RP mark of 10:38.2, a record no distance runner since then has equalled.

In the 1978 National Open in Bacolod,

Sagaray lowered the national standard anew to 10:36.6 as she soundly beat the emerging Catulong into a far second in 11:43.0. But Catulong rebounded in the 1978 National juniors in Marikina and brought down the national mark to 10:35.6. The 3,000-meter record stayed with her until she brought it to the present mark of 10:09.5 during the 1980 Palarong Bagong Lipunan.

Sagaray and Catulong were hot media copy during the pre-Lydia de Vega days. Where else would you find two brats, as Benson called them, quarreling about who should be number one? Their remarks endeared them to the small crowd of track fans who saw pure child fun in their antics.

Both were among the original 19 athletes tapped to train under the Gintong Alay program in Baguio in October 1979. Tatang de Vega charged that Benson "overtrained" the duo in their two-year stay. Benson told this writer at that time: "If I did, they wouldn't have improved that much. I adjusted their training schedules a lot. There are times when they have lots of easy days."

Despite Benson's excuses, Sagaray was fourth in 10:32.64 while Catulong slumped to sixth in 10:48.62 during the 3,000-meter final in the 1981 SEA Games.

Sagaray continued to run, but now with mediocre results. Meanwhile, she finished her high school in Baguio in June, 1982. "Parang umaalis ako sa isang lugar na lumaki ako," she told WE Forum. Back in her native Zam-

boanga del Norte, she had to fend for herself. The easy breakfasts, lunches, meriendas, dinners were all gone. At 17, she had to work.

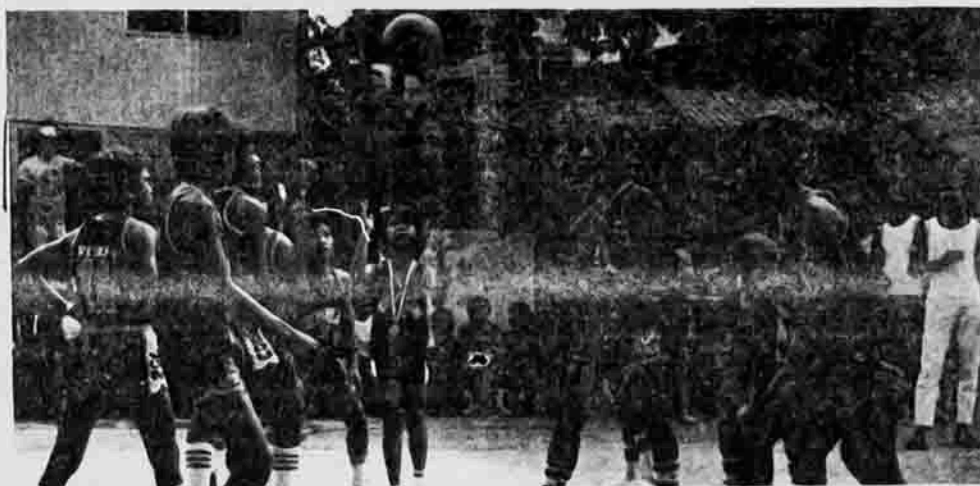
The late mayor of Pagadian City, Platon Urro, took her in as messenger/clerk and young Sagaray was uprooted anew from her parents.

"Hindi ako takot na mawala ako sa magulang ko. Kailangan ko mag-aral at mahirap lang kami," she said. From 8 a.m. to 12 noon, she would be working. From 1-4 p.m., taking up a secretarial course (which she just finished) and from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., running.

"Binigyan ako ni coach Benson lahat ng mga workout ko. Sinabi niya sa akin bago siya umalis na kailangan gawin ko lahat iyon para hindi ako maiwanan. Ginagawa ko pa rin, pero kulang ako sa oras. Pag-balik sa bahay namin, magluluto ako, maglalaba pa ako, tapos mag-aaral pa," she said.

In the 1984 Palarong Pilipino, she made a mild comeback in the 1,500 meters, placing third behind Monton and Tabangin. Keon hugged Sagaray while he shook hands with his two winners. "Tuwang-tuwa siya sa akin," she said. "Did you see what Sagaray did? Man, that's something," Keon told this writer at that time.

She plans to take up an Education degree at the start of the school year. "Bata pa ako, sir, kailangan ko mag-aral," she said. Then, in a typical remark, she added: "Pag-nakaensayo ako, hindi sila nakakasiguro sa akin. Kahit luma ang spikes ko, kahit lumang Tiger ko pa ito, sir, fight lang tayo, a."



BARANGAY CAGEFEST - Barangay 12, Zone 1 of Libis Talisay, Caloocan reeled off recently an inter-color league for kids 7-to-15 years old put up by barangay captain Ponching C. Cruz. The young muse tossing the ceremonial jump in photo is Jing Jing Basa, daughter of NPC employee Tito Basa.

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equals 0.75, etc.).

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This is what the figures showed (and Magnolia playing coach Norman Black and team manager Sonny Valencia gave my figures a good lookover at the dugout):

- A win by Great Taste over Northern makes the latter the first finalist.

- A loss for Great Taste by two points or less still makes the Coffee-makers the first finalist.

- A loss for Great Taste by three points brings the quotient system into play, with Magnolia enjoying an edge here because it has low total scores of 395-392. For Great Taste to beat Magnolia's quotient, it must have a losing score of not more than 84 (87-84) so its total scores would be 394-391. A losing score of 85 (88-85) would make Great Taste's and Magnolia's total scores identical in which case PBA rules do not provide a solution to such (Toss of a coin?)

- A loss for Great Taste by four points

makes Magnolia the first finalist.

- For Northern Consolidated to become the first finalist, it must win by not less than 13 points, which would give the Northerners a plus-4.

- If Northern wins by 12, the score must be not more than 115 (115-103), so that its total scores would be 394-391, for a quotient that would top Magnolia's by 0.00001961

I didn't go to such details with the boys, just gave them the pluses and minuses in scores; I had to take down "how they scored," remember.

But Natoy Ramirez looked pained that I wasn't through with the scorebook, whispered in my ear "gutom na gutom na ako," and I wanted to retort "same here!" and wasn't this his job in the first place?

Now if Natoy Ramirez will only fill up all the blanks on the official scorebook as Manning Pinon does, I won't be holding him up from going home so long.

After all, he'd be in bed long before I could be since I still have to work up to at least 8 a.m. the following day!

SPORTSHORTS

LUCENA RUN

LUCENA CITY, May 14 (PNA) - The 10th Lucena Open Marathon, an annual summer event sponsored by the Aratan Club, will reel off tomorrow morning in this city.

The 27-kilometer race will start in front of the Lucena public market, pass through barangays Isabang and Calumpang, proceed to Tayabas, Quezon and back to Lucena City proper via Barangay Gulang Gulag.

The marathon will highlight the 43rd anniversary of the club, oldest service organization in Lucena. Previous champions of the Lucena Open Marathon include internationalists Justo Tabunda Jr., Leonardo Illut and PC Major Benjamin Belarmino. This year's champion will receive a trophy and P1,000.

CEBU EXECS' CHESS

CEBU CITY, May 14 (PNA)

- Cebu Progress Marketing (CPM) Sunday topped the first Cebu executives chess team tournament with 22 points after the eighth and final round at the Visayan Electric Chess Club on D. Jakosalem St. here.

CPM routed Ministry of Public Works and Highways in the final round, 3-1, to nose out VECO for the crown.

VECO finished in second

place with 21 points as it barely managed to beat National Power Corp. in the last round, 2.5-1.5 points.

Apo Cement Corp. shutout Du Pont Pharmaceutical, 4-0, to vault to third place, just a half point behind VECO.

Nilo Visitation of CPM, Jose Atillo of VECO, Edmundo Suralda of CPM and Danny Rosal Jr. of VECO were the top board players in the tournament.

Members of the champion squad included Kelly Uy, Nilo Visitation, Rene Tolo, Edmundo Suralta, Ronald Uy and Tey Teng.

Sirikit

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individual title was won by Brenda Rhodes of New Zealand.

Australia, which accomplished a hat trick of wins in 1981 to 1983 and Japan, which bagged the title in 1979 and

1980, are expected to be among the frontrunners.

Rated favorites for this year's individual title are Singapore's Kee Bee Khim and Thailand's Nudenuj Bunyakatu, who had performed well at this course in recent tournaments.

PBA

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Cream Makers single-handedly in the first overtime, banging in eight points, two of them from the three-point area and the last in the final 42 seconds against the combined efforts of Gonzalgo and Marte Saldana.

Manansala continued his heroics in the next period as he teamed up with Ricardo Brown in a 6-2 Great Taste attack for a 98-94 advantage that proved the cushion for the all-important victory that avenged a double overtime win by

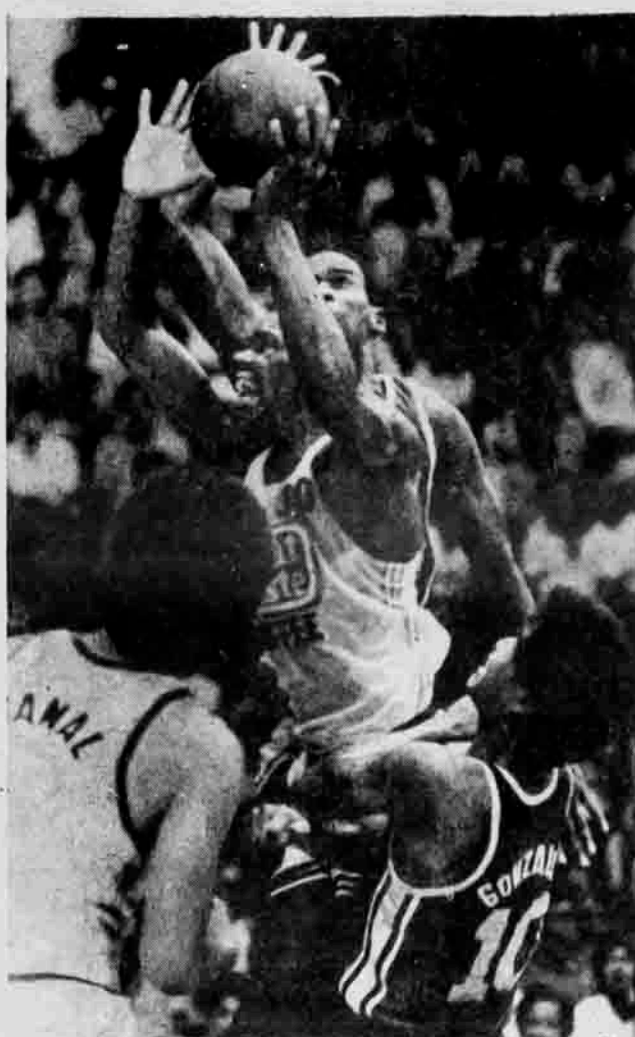
Magnolia in their second round encounter in the eliminations.

The game was close throughout with Great Taste surging ahead, 7-0, on the shooting of Brown and Joe Binion.

The Coffee Makers continued to show the way, leading by six to eight points to the next period until Magnolia caught up four and a half minutes before the end of the first half, 36-all, before obliging to a 46-42 halftime deficit.

The Ice Cream Makers' 77-68 lead with nine minutes left proved to be the biggest margin of the evening. (PNA)

PBA title chase still 3-way race



MR. INTENSITY — Joe Binion of Great Taste barges in for a left-handed layup against Dante Gonzalvo of Magnolia (10) even as playing coach Norman Black attempts a block from behind. At left is stellar guard Joel Banal. GTC won after a double overtime, 100-99. (Photo by Rudy Sakdalan, Jr.)

Sirikit golfest has RP, 10 other entries

KUALA LUMPUR, May 14 (AFP) — Eleven countries will compete in the Seventh Queen Sirikit Cup Women's Golf Championship opening at the Royal Selangor Golf course here Thursday.

Defending champion New Zealand will lead the field, which will also see top golfers from Australia, Japan, Indonesia, India, Hong Kong, Singapore, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand and Malaysia competing in the three-day championship.

New Zealand will be represented by Debbie Smith, Janice Arnold and Janesca Dert. Both Janice and Jan were in last year's winning side. The (Page 11, please)

PBA OPEN CONFERENCE SEMIFINAL ROUND TEAM STANDINGS

TEAM	W	L	PF	PA	PCT.
Great Taste	4	1	525	507	.800
Northern CC	3	2	514	490	.600
Magnolia	3	2	492	483	.600
Tanduay Rhum	0	5	494	547	.000

GAMES TOMORROW

5:30 p.m. — Magnolia vs. Tanduay Rhum
7:30 p.m. — Great Taste vs. Northern CC

Games Tomorrow

Great Taste Coffee downed Magnolia Ice Cream last night in a double-overtime thriller, 100-99, but remains an uneasy leader in semifinal standings of the PBA Open Conference despite Victory No. 4 in five outings.

The Coffeemakers were given no breathing spell by Northern Consolidated Corp. which stayed right on their heels by swamping a disinterested Tanduay Rhum crew, 126-108, in the first encounter of the day.

HOW THEY SCORED

FIRST GAME

NORTHERN CONSOLIDATED — 126

NO. PLAYER	3P/2P	FT	PF	TP
5 Pumaren	2	0/0	0	4
7 Reyes	4	0/0	3	8
9 Lim, A.	9	3/3	3	21
10 Engelland	5/6	8/8	3	35
11 Yturri	2	2/2	0	6
12 Dignadice	4	0/0	5	8
13 Still	3	0/0	3	6
14 Calma	7	0/0	0	14
15 Moore	7	6/6	1	20
16 Caldic	2	0/0	0	4

TOTAL 5/46 19/19 18 126

TANDUAY RHUM — 108

NO. PLAYER	3P/2P	FT	PF	TP
5 Guldaben	10	0/0	4	20
7 Torrente	1/0	0/0	1	3
9 De la Cruz	0	0/0	0	0
10 Hubalde	0	0/0	2	0
17 Israel	7	2/2	2	16
24 Yango	8	2/2	0	18
34 Abelas	1	0/0	0	2
40 Tan, A.	3	1/1	2	7
42 Generalao	3	0/0	3	6
52 Varela	0	0/0	2	0
66 Pope	4/10	4/5	2	36

TOTAL 5/42 9/10 18 108

Quarterscores: 28-25, 58-50, 93-72, 126-108
Referees: 3 Dr. Erlberto Cruz, 26 Rolando Besabe 29 Danny Bayals

SECOND GAME

GREAT TASTE COFFEE — 100

NO. PLAYER	3P/2P	FT	PF	TP
1 Victorino	4	0/0	0	8
2 Alolior	2	0/0	5	4
6 King	1	5/6	4	7
7 Banal	1	0/0	1	2
11 Manansala	3/4	0/0	6	17
14 Loyzaga, J.	0	0/0	4	0
23 Brown, R.	8	4/5	1	20
29 Carpio	1	1/1	0	3
30 Binion	9	4/6	4	22
33 Pearson	8	1/1	3	17

TOTAL 3/38 11/19 28 100

MAGNOLIA ICE CREAM — 99

NO. PLAYER	3P/2P	FT	PF	TP
5 Ravanes	5	3/4	3	13
6 Migalbin	3	0/0	2	6
7 Saldana, M.	1/7	1/2	3	18
8 Banate	0	0/0	0	0
10 Gonzalvo	7	3/3	4	17
13 Panar	0	0/0	3	0
14 Loyzaga, E.	1/0	0/0	5	3
20 Samiani	0	0/0	1	0
24 Black	17	6/9	5	40
44 Distrito	1	0/0	4	2

TOTAL 2/40 13/18 30 99

Quarterscores: 29-25, 46-42, 68-41, 84-41, 92-41, 100-99

GTC coach Virgilio (Baby) Dalupan said he won't breath easy until his team nails down Win No. 5 — against Northern — tomorrow.

"Delikado pa rin," he said. "Kailangan talunin ang Northern para sigurado." (It's still touch-and-go. We still need to beat Northern").

A victory by Ron Jacobs' national trainees tomorrow and a win by Magnolia over Tanduay Rhum will throw the pennant race into a three-way, putting the PBA quotient system for breaking ties into play.

The PBA quotient system as stated in league rules involve "only the scores of the games of the teams involved in the tie. . . divide the total points scored in favor by the total points scored against."

The PBA rule in semifinal round triple ties reads as follows: "In the event of a three (3) way tie for 1st position, both the team with the best PBA quotient automatically qualifies for 1st position. The other two (2) teams play-off and the winner qualifies for the finals."

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Willie Pearson's jumper with 1:30 left proved to be the marginal basket as it gave the Coffee-makers a 100-97 lead which the Ice Cream Makers failed to overcome.

Only Northern Consolidated stands in the way of the Coffee Makers from officially making the best-of-seven championship play-off of this American-coated tournament revived this year.

After last night's games, Great Taste, with a 4-1 card, has a plus-six quotient to Magnolia's three. Northern has minus-nine.

Abe King sent the game into the first extra period with a drive off Dante Gonzalvo with 22 seconds remaining as he capped a rally that saw the Coffee Makers erase a 77-68 Magnolia lead.

Jimmy Manansala then fought off the Ice (Page 11, please)

ERDC goes for 2nd win, plays Army

Equipment and Research Development Corporation (ERDC) goes for its second straight victory and the solo lead when it goes up against Army today in the semifinal round of the Philippine Amateur Basketball League (PABL) invitational tournament at the Rizal Coliseum.

Riding high on their 91-89 triumph over Far Eastern University last Monday, the Research Specialists are favored to score their second win in as many outings when they play the debuting Jungle Fighters at 5:30 p.m.

Cebu's Mama's Love Baby Oil and National College Athletic Association runner-up San Sebastian College try to barge into the win column when they take each other in the triplebill's last event at 7 p.m.

Both Mama's Love and the Stags lost their initial assignments in the round.

In the lone consolation round encounter, Rizal Athletic Club battles San Beda College at 4 p.m. (PNA)

Fancy this

By TITO TAGLE

What's the score?

If there is anything I love doing, it's going into mathematical configurations. Last night at the press room of the University of Life Theatre and Recreation Arena (ULTRA), I couldn't be more pleased.

I was taking down figures for WE Forum's special style of reporting on "how they scored" when Ernie Gonzales, slightly exasperated to find out from scorer Natoy Ramirez that the latter's setup of minuses and pluses in the event of a triple tie included scores against Tanduay Rhum, turned to me and said "Why don't you help us?"

The fellows had to phone in their stories, and the double overtime it took Great Taste to whip Magnolia had already delayed them.

What I did was to put aside "how they scored" and start summing up the scores for and against by the three teams that could figure in the triple tie: Great Taste, Magnolia and Northern Consolidated Corp.

Actually, as aid to the reporters, somebody from the PBA should have done this.

After all, PBA personnel most of all should know how to go about it.

But since the official scorer didn't, and looked harassed enough as it was, and chief statistician Joe Concepcion wasn't around anymore, I undertook the task.

The so-called PBA quotient system is simply the point system used in the Olympics since 1948, reduced to quotient to minimize to the utmost further ties.

Complicated? Well, you see, the point system can end in another tie, like a team has plus-three or minus-three and another or more teams have the same point difference.

But going to quotients refines the setup, and no more tie can occur unless the teams involved should happen to have the same number of points scored and the same number of points against, and there is no breaking this kind of a deadlock except via play-off.

Marginal differences on the main however will result from the quotient system, on the positive side the lower the number the higher the quotient (example: 2 over 1 equals 2, 3 over 2 equals 1.5, 4 over 3 equals 1.33, etc.), and on the negative side the higher the number the higher the quotient (1 over 2 equals 0.5, 2 over 3 equals 0.67, 3 over 4

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