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GUEVARA, McINTYRE OPPOSES TIMBERLAKE RESOLUTION

Commissioner Pedro Guevara and Gen. Frank McIntyre spoke before the Ways and Means Committee of the House last Monday, Jan. 21, and argued against the passage of the Timberlake resolution. Guevara made a vigorous defense of Philippine sugar and impressed upon the members of the committee the sincere stand of the Filipino people against the resolution.

DETROIT FILIPINOS INITIATE POPULARITY CONTEST

The Philippine-American Protective Association of Detroit, Mich. have just launched a popularity contest in their community. The winner in this contest will be crowned Queen "Popularity," with due honors and prizes will also be awarded.

(From Filipino Community Press)

FILIPINO NURSES OF CHICAGO HOLD BENEFIT DANCE

The Filipino Nurses' Association of Chicago held a benefit program and dance on January 27, and realized a profit of \$118.56. All the funds of this association, except \$80 appropriated for administrative expenses to push on charitable service, is set aside for helping deserving Filipino patients in Chicago and suburbs.

(From FILIPINO COMMUNITY PRESS, Chicago)

CHICAGO FILIPINO DISCOVER POET

Briccio C. Aguila is so far the only bard among Filipinos in the windy city. Aguila has been discovered as a Filipino poet in English. His poems are appearing in the FILIPINO COMMUNITY PRESS, a Filipino newspaper in Chicago.

Labor Commissioner Cayetano Ligot, labor leader in Hawaii, has recommended to the legislature the prevention of immigration of Filipino laborers to Hawaii unless guaranteed work or the laborers have sufficient funds with which to return home.

Bremerton News

THE FILIPINO PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION
of
Bremerton, Wash.

By M. A. AQUINO

On Feb. 3, 1929, Sunday evening, an informal dinner was held at the home of Mr. T. Yamashita for the installation of officers of the newly organized "Filipino Progressive Association of Bremerton."

Mr. E. Francia, the president of the association, gave the introductory remarks welcoming the guests and following that he made a short speech. He emphasized the fact that the ceremony meant little to him, compared with the duty before him. He spoke of the consecrated duty entrusted to him as the president of the association, and was greatly concerned that by any act of his, he would not make the organization suffer. He asked that all members take away personal grievances and unite. He concluded by pledging himself to do his duty, wisely, earnestly, and honestly.

Mr. Yamashita, the host of the evening, gave the most interesting speech. Mr. Yamashita is one of the businessmen of Bremerton, respected, prominent, and influential. He takes personal interest in the welfare of Filipinos, often guiding them, advising them, and heartily supporting all their undertakings in Bremerton.

He impressed us by his eloquent plea for Filipino-Japanese relationship. The geographical position, customs, traits, and ambitions of these two countries are very similar, he pointed out. He related the Russo-Japanese war, Russia with its vast resources, millions of armed men compared with the Japanese Empire, small, poor, men outnumbered by thousands. Who won the war? Japan! Why? Unity, loyalty, and the willingness to sacrifice wealth and men, defending and upholding the true traditions of the Japanese people. He also pleaded for the peace of the world and equality with America and England. He concluded that in unity there is strength and reminded us that the brown race could achieve their goal only through Filipino-Japanese relations.

Mr. Sarusal, Master of Burgos Lodge No. 10 of Seattle, was our honored guest. Mr. Sarusal's leadership in Filipino affairs in this great Pacific Northwest is beyond question. He spoke in Tagalog.

In part, Mr. Sarusal said that the association was the essential need of Filipinos living in this community. He stated that thru this association not only could we show the American people what we are, our prestige and loyalty to our Motherland, not only that but for our own moral uplift, welfare, and contact with the American people. He mentioned that unity is strength, that it was the greatest need of all Filipinos today, and that only thru unity could we mold the fine spirit of Filipino brotherhood, leadership, and loyalty to our country. He referred to the Caballeros de Dimas Alang, and he found out that we Filipinos are coming closer together, united to one ideal. A month ago, under the auspices of the Lodge, Rizal Day celebration in Seattle was a complete success. What the Lodge had done was maintained fully thru the spirit of cooperation, union and loyalty. The results were commendable. He reminds us, that we are a people true to the teachings and traditions of our beloved hero, martyr, and patriot, Dr. Jose Rizal must carry on to reach our goal--Independence. He stated that our Resident Commissioner at Washington, D.C. is doing his best to win our independence and that it is up to us to show him our cooperation.

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