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Tanggapan ng Pangulo ng Pilipinas
(OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES)

MESSAGE

It is my privilege to join our countrymen in honoring the memory of the late great President Manuel Luis Quezon, the commemoration of whose birthday is properly led by our Capitol City, named after him who had led the struggle for immediate and full independence with such eloquence, passion and courage.

Manuel L. Quezon was of the generation of giants, a man like his peers who was not only imbued with patriotic fervor and a life-time devotion to liberty, but was prepared to die for his convictions. From the Philippine Revolution, he went on in the service of his country to become our foremost advocate of independence and during his leadership started the policies widening social justice for the common tao.

Let us remember him not only with reverence for his great qualities but also with a new determination to follow in his footsteps.

FERDINAND E. MARCOS
President of the Philippines



Office of the Vice President
of the Philippines
Malacañang

MESSAGE

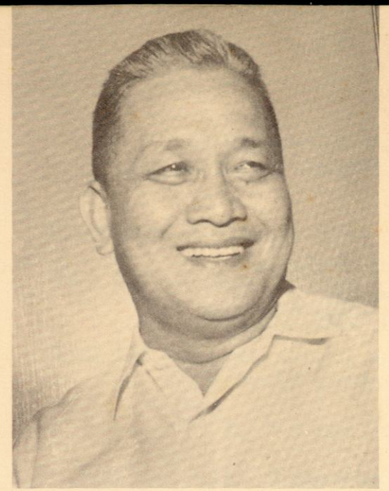
Like any other country in the world, the Philippines has its own firmament of great men who have done so much for their country and people.

President Manuel L. Quezon exemplified what was humane and extraordinary in man. His firm and unyielding dispositions on policy matters aroused both praise and opposition from his admirers and critics alike, but his compassion for the masses was beyond question; it endeared him more to the people he loved than any other.

His was a humble beginning. His rise to power and fame was attributed to intelligence, sheer guts and vision for the future. President Quezon's crusade for social justice has been a living symbol of today's judicial procedures and reforms.

It is with these thoughts, therefore, that I pay tribute to a great man and a great leader on his 92nd Birth Anniversary on August 19, 1970.

FERNANDO LOPEZ
Vice President of the Philippines



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(Republic of the Philippines)
Lungsod Quezon
(Quezon City)
Tanggapan ng Punong Lungsod
(Office of the Mayor)

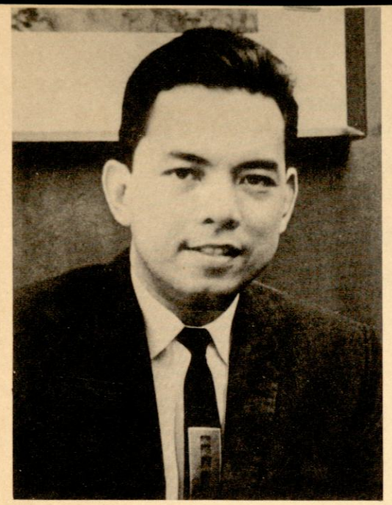
PAHATID

Sa araw na ito, ang buong bansa ay magbibigay-karangalan sa dakilang Pilipinong arkitekto ng pambansang kasarinlan, ang yumaong Pangulong Manuel L. Quezon. Sa kanyang ika-92 kaarawan, inaalaala natin ang dakilang bayani at opisyal ng pamahalaan na nagbigay ng lahat ng kanyang sarili hindi lamang sa pagnanasang makamit ang kalayaan ng Pilipinas kundi gayundin sa kanyang matalas na pananaw at pamumuno sa kanyang mga kababayan tungo sa pambansang pagkakaisa at pag-unlad.

Bukod pa sa lahat ng kanyang nagawa at isinasagisag ng kanyang buhay, ginugunita rin siya ng mga mamamayan ng Lungsod-Quezon dahil siya ang bumalak ng Lungsod na ito na isa sa kanyang mga dakilang pangarap. Samakatuwid, tungkulin natin bilang mga mamamayan ng Lungsod na nagtataglay ng kanyang bantog na pangalan, ang magkaisa sa paggawa para sa pagsasakatuparan ng kanyang pangarap para sa isang huwarang panlunsod na pamayanan bilang tahanan ng pamahalaang pambansa—isang pagpipitang malumanay ngunit tiyakang nagkakahugis sa ating kapaligiran ngayon.

Angkop lamang, na sa ganitong pagkakataon ay ibaling natin ang ating mga gunita sa dakilang Pilipinong ito, sapagkat kung wala ang kanyang inspiradong pamamatnubay at liderato, ang mga panghuling hakbang tungo sa ating pagkakaisa at pagunlad ay hindi sana naisagawa. Lagi nating tingalain ang kanyang gunita nang may matiim na paggalang at pagmamahal at subukang pamarisan ang kanyang mga dakilang ginawa.

N. S. AMORANTO
City Mayor



Republic of the Philippines
Quezon City
OFFICE OF THE VICE MAYOR

MESSAGE

Today we celebrate the memory of a man who founded our beloved City more than three decades ago.

As I look back to the years, I cannot help, but note with great pride the valiant strides we have made. From a backward, rural conglomeration of villages and carabao trails and rice paddies, our City has developed into a bustling urban community a sign that we have grown. But more than simply a sign of growth, it means that the vision and the hope of that great man who founded the City had neither dimmed nor failed in those to whom the legacy devolved. As residents of this City, we can all take pride in this achievement.

Let us, therefore, join hands today in paying tribute to the 92nd birth anniversary of that great missionary, Manuel Luis Quezon, to whose foresight we owe much of what we are today.

ISMAEL A. MATHAY, JR.
Vice-Mayor
Quezon City

PROGRAM

PRESIDENT MANUEL L. QUEZON
92nd BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 1970

7:00 AM — Mass in memory of the late President Manuel L. Quezon in all Quezon City Churches & chapels

7:30 AM — Floral offering at the Quezon Monument, Quezon Memorial Quadrangle, Quezon City

I. National Government Participation

II. Diplomatic Corps Participation

III. Quezon City Government Participation

IV. Armed Forces of the Philippines Participation

V. Quezon Memorial Circle Development and Beautification Committee Participation

VI. Quezon City Civic Organization Participation

8:00 AM — Flower Drop by PAF planes over the Quezon Memorial Circle

8:30 AM — Civic Parade:

ORDER OF THE PARADE:

GROUP I — ROTC Participation

GROUP II — Local Government Participation

GROUP III — National, Commercial, Industrial, and Civic Organization Participation

10:00 AM — Program:

I. Philippine National Anthem—AFP Band

II. Invocation by Msgr. Alfredo S. Reyes
Vicar Forane for Quezon City,
St. Rita Parish Church, Philamlife

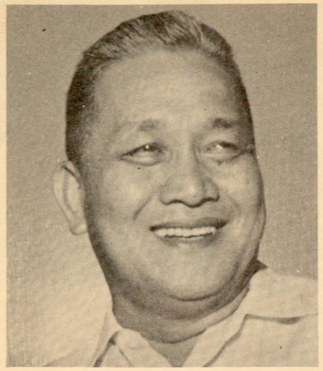
III. Introduction of the Guest Speaker by
Hon. Norberto S. Amoranto
City Mayor, Quezon City

IV. Address—Honorable Wenceslao Rancap Lagumbay, Senate of the Philippines

V. Recessional—AFP Band

Hon. FLORENTINO A. LAPUS
Master of Ceremonies

QUEZON CITY OFFICIALS



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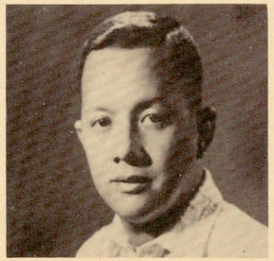

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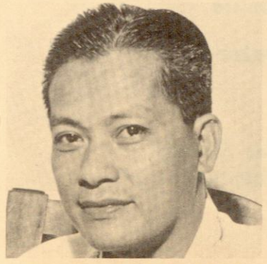

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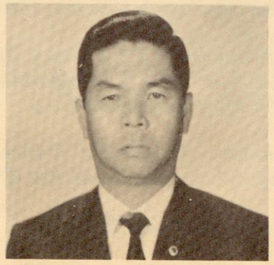

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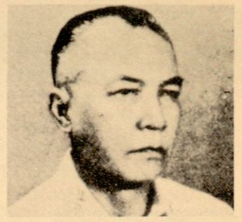

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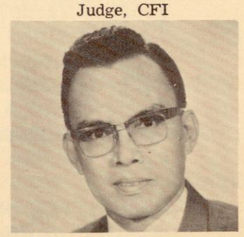

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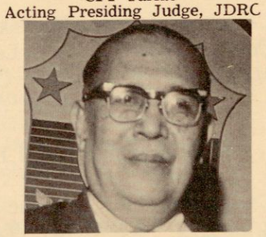

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QUEZON'S FIRST INAUGURAL ADDRESS

As President of the Commonwealth of the Philippines
(November 15, 1935)

Fellow Countrymen:

In the exercise of your constitutional prerogative you have elected me to the presidency of the Commonwealth. I am profoundly grateful for this new expression of your confidence, and God helping me, I shall not fail you.

The event which is now taking place in our midst transcends in importance the mere induction into office of your Chief Executive. We are bringing into being a new nation. We are seeing the fruition of our age-old striving for liberty. We are witnessing the final stage in the fulfilment of the noblest undertaking ever attempted by any nation in its dealing with a subject people. And how well this task has been performed is attested to by the blessings which from fourteen million people goes to America in this solemn hour. President McKinley's cherished hope has been fulfilled—the Filipinos look back with gratitude to the day when Destiny placed their land under the beneficent guidance of the people of the United States.

It is fitting that high dignitaries of the American Government should attend these ceremonies. We are thankful to them for their presence here. The President of the United States, His Excellency, Franklin D. Roosevelt, ever solicitous of our freedom and welfare, has sent to us, as his personal representative, the Secretary of War, Honorable George H. Dern, whose friendship for our people has proven most valuable in the past. Vice President Garner, Speaker Byrns, distinguished members of the Senate with their floor leader, Senator Robinson, and no less distinguished members of the House of Representatives have traveled ten thousand miles to witness this historic event. I feel that by their presence the whole American Nation is here today to rejoice with us in the fulfilment of America's pledge generously given that the Filipino people is to become free and independent. It is my hope that the ties of friendship and affection which bind the Philippines to America will remain unbroken and grow stronger after the severance of our political relations with her.

In behalf of the Filipino people, I express deep appreciation to Honorable Frank Murphy, our last Governor-General, for his just and efficient administration and for the wholehearted assistance he has rendered us in the difficult task of laying the constitutional foundations of our new Government.

As we enter the threshold of independent nationhood, let us pause for a moment to pay tribute to the memory of Rizal and Bonifacio and all the heroes of our sacred cause in grateful acknowledgement of their patriotic devotion and supreme sacrifice.

Fellow countrymen: The government whcih we are inaugurating today is only a means to an end. It is an instrumentality placed in our hands to prepare ourselves fully for the responsibilities of complete independence. It is essential that this last step be taken with full consciousness of its significance and the great opportunities that it affords to us.

Under the Commonwealth, our life may not be one of ease and comfort, but rather of hardship and sacrifice. We shall face the problems which lie in our path, sparing neither time nor effort in solving them. We shall build a government that will be just, honest, efficient and strong so that the foundations of the coming Republic may be firm and enduring—a government, indeed that must satisfy not only the passing needs of the hour but also the exacting demands of the future. We do not have to tear down the existing institutions in order to give way to the statelier structure. There will be no violent changes from the established order or things, except such as may be absolutely necessary to carry into effect the innovations contemplated by the Constitution. A new edifice shall rise, not out of the ashes of the past, but out of the standing materials of the living present.

Reverence for law as the expression of the popular will is the starting point in a democracy. The maintenance of peace and public order is the joint obligation of the government and the citizens. I have an abiding faith in the good sense of the people and in their respect for law and the constituted authority. Widespread public disorder and lawlessness may cause the downfall of constitutional government and lead to American intervention. Even after independence, if we should prove ourselves incapable of protecting life, liberty and property of nationals and foreigners, we shall be exposed to the danger of intervention by foreign powers. No one need have any misgivings as to the attitude of the Government toward lawless individuals or subversive movements. They shall be dealth with firmly. Sufficient armed forces will be maintained at all times to quell and suppress any rebellion against the authority of this Government or the sovereignty of the United States.

There can be no progress except under the auspices of peace. Without peace and public order it will be impossible to promote education, improve the condition of the masses, protect the poor and ignorant against exploitation, and otherwise insure the enjoyment of life, liberty and property. I appeal, therefore to every Filipino to give the Government his loyal support so that tranquility may reign supreme in our beloved land.

Our Constitution established an independent judiciary by providing for security of tenure and compensation of judges. But independence is not the only objective of a good judiciary. Equally, if not more important, is its integrity which will depend upon the judicious selection of its members. The administration of justice can not be expected to rise higher than the moral and intellectual standards of the men who dispense it. To bulwark the fortificaation of an orderly and just government, it shall be my task to appoint to the bench only men of proven honesty, character, learning and ability, so that everyone may feel when he appears before the courts of justice that he will be protected in his right, and that no man in this country from the Chief Executive to the last citizen is above the law.

We are living to-day amidst the storm and stress of one of the most tragic epoch of history. Acute unemployment and economic distress threaten the stability of governments the world over. The very foundations of civilized society are shaken. The common man alone can save humanity from disaster. It is our duty to prove to him that under a republican system of government he can have every opportunity to attain his happiness and that of his family. Protection to labor, especially to working women and minors, just regulations of the relations between labor and capital in industry and agriculture, solicitous regard on the part of the government for the well-being of the masses, are the means to bring about the needed economic and social equilibrium between the component elements of society.

A government draws the breath of life from its finances, and it must balance its income and expenditures as any other going business concern if it expects to survive. It is my duty, then, to see that the Government of the Commonwealth live within its means and that it stand for square on a well balanced budget.

The larger expenditures which the grave responsibilities ahead of us will entail, including national defense, must be borne by taxation. So long as we are able to meet those responsibilities from our present income we shall not impose new taxes. But we are among the least taxed people in the world and, therefore, when necessity arises, we should be willing to accept the burden of increased taxation. Liberty and independence can be possessed only by those who are ready to pay the price in life or fortune.

To enable us more adequately to meet the new responsibilities of the Commonwealth and to raise the living conditions of our people, we must increase the wealth of the Nation by giving greater impetus to economic development, improving our methods of agriculture, diversifying our crops, creating new industries, and fostering our domestic and foreign commerce. I trust that the forthcoming trade conference between representatives of the United States and the Philippines will result in a more just and beneficial commercial relation between the two countries.

The establishment of an economical, simple and efficient government; the maintenance of an independent civil service; the implantation of an adequate system of public instruction to develop moral character, personal discipline, civic conscience and vocation efficiency; the safeguarding of health and vigor of the race; the conservation and development of our natural resources—these and other matters of equal import are touched upon at length in the platform of the Coalition and in my speech of acceptance of my nomination, and it is unnecessary for me to reiterate my views regarding them. Having been elected on the virtuality of that platform and the policies enunciated by me in the course of the presidential campaign, I renew my pledge faithfully to carry them into execution.

Goodwill towards all nations shall be the golden rule of my administration. The peoples of the earth are interdependent and their prosperity and happiness are inseparably linked with each other. International brotherhood and cooperation are therefore necessary. Amity and friendship, fairness and square deal in our relations with other nations and their temporary allegiance to our institutions and laws, are the assurances I make on behalf of the new Government to Americans and foreigners who may desire to live, trade and otherwise associate with us in the Philippines.

In the enormous task of fully preparing ourselves for independence we shall be beset with serious difficulties, but we will resolutely march forward. I appeal to your patriotism and summon your nobility of heart so that we may, united in the common endeavor, once more dedicate ourselves to the realization of our national destiny. I face the future with hope and fortitude, certain that God never abandons a people who ever follow His unerring and guiding Hand. May He give me light, strength, and courage evermore that I may not falter in the hour of service to my people.

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QUEZON'S CODE OF ETHICS

Have faith in Divine Province that guides the destinies of man and nation.

Love your country for it is the home of your people, the seat of your affections, and the source of your happiness and well being. Its defense is your primary duty. Be ready at all times to sacrifice and die for it if necessary.

Respect the Constitution which is the expression of your sovereign will. The government is your government. It has been established for your safety and welfare. Obey the laws; see that they are observed by all and public officials comply with their duties.

Pay your taxes willingly and promptly. Citizenship implies not only rights but also obligations.

Safeguard the purity of suffrage and abide by the decisions of the majority.

Love and respect your parents. It is your duty to serve them gratefully and well.

Value your honor as you value your life. Poverty with honor is preferable to wealth with dishonor.

Be truthful and be honest in thought and in action.

Be just and charitable, courteous but dignified in your dealings with your fellowmen.

Lead a clean and frugal life. Do not indulge in frivolity or pretense. Be simple in dress and modest in your behavior.

Live up to the noble tradition of our people. Venerate the memory of our heroes. Their lives point the way to duty and honor.

Be industrious. Be not afraid or ashamed to do manual work. Productive toil is conducive to economic security and adds to the wealth of the nation.

Rely on your efforts for your progress and happiness. Be not easily discouraged. Perservere in the pursuit of your legitimate ambitions.

Do your work cheerfully, thoroughly and well. Work badly done is worse than work undone.

Contribute to the welfare of your community and promote social justice. You do not live for yourselves and your family alone. You are a part of society to which you owe definite responsibilities.

Cultivate the habits of using goods made in the Philippines. Patronize the products and trades of your countrymen.

Use and develop our natural resources and conserve them for posterity. They are the inalienable heritage of the people. Do not traffic with your citizenship.

A BIOGRAPHY

MANUEL L. QUEZON
(1878-1944)

By Eufronio M. Alip, PH.LITT.D.

Born to an unknown family in a nipa house in Baler, one of the smallest and remotest towns in the Philippines, Manuel L. Quezon, first president of the Commonwealth of the Philippines and "father of his country," lived to dwell in Malacañang and died in Saranac Lake, New York, U.S.A. His name is known the world over and respected by all who love freedom and respect human dignity. His life has thus become a symbol of democracy in action.

The town of Baler where Quezon was born on August 19, 1878, is an isolated town in Tayabas province (now Quezon) with the sea on one side and a thick bandit-infested jungle on the other. From here it would require many days of travel to reach the nearest town and much longer to reach Manila. So dangerous was the way that his father earlier as well as his wife and a daughter, and a son-in-law not many years later, got killed by bandits while passing through it. A man of less courage, less vision and less determination might have remained all his life there and unwittingly allowed the Philippines to be denied a dynamic leadership that was so necessary in the peaceful struggle for independence from America and in the task of nation-building.

But Quezon went to Manila, at the age of ten, after learning the fundamentals from his parents and the local parish priest, and studied as a working student at the Letran College, one of the better known secondary schools in the city. After finishing A.B. in this college, he enrolled in law at the University of Sto. Tomas.

Before he could finish his law course, the Philippine Revolution of 1896 against Spain interrupted his studies. For some quite unknown reasons, he did not join the Revolution against Spain. But he joined the forces of Aguinaldo in the Philippine-American war (1899-1901) that soon followed and distinguished himself on many an unequal battle between Filipino forces and the well-equipped and better trained Americans. He served as major in the military unit of General Tomas Mascardo.

Although he had been suffering from malaria, he did not surrender to the Americans until after President-General Aguinaldo, his overall commander-in-chief, had taken the oath of allegiance to the United States. Even then he had to be urged by his immediate superior, General Mascardo.

Soon after the war, he continued his law studies and became a lawyer in 1903. From the very start of his public career as a barrister, he showed a great fighting spirit, a strong sense of justice, and the utter lack of racial inferiority complex which even earlier he demonstrated in Baler when he hit with a cane on the head the Sergeant of the Civil Guards who was in the habit of abusing the young women of the town. These traits were to serve him well in his long and distinguished career. Before an American judge he prosecuted and secured the conviction of an American resident who tried to grab the properties of some poor and ignorant natives of Tayabas, thru false representation. His rise in popularity was meteoric. He served as a fiscal in Mindoro, and later in Tayabas, was elected Governor of Tayabas in 1905, and a member of the Philippine Assembly, representing Tayabas, which was inaugurated in 1907.

In the Philippine Assembly he was second in rank only to Sergio Osmeña, a man whom he had met in college who was initially more widely known than he on account of his (Osmeña's) previous journalistic career and his having been elected presiding officer of a convention of provincial governors in 1906. Quezon himself nominated Osmeña for the speakership and Osmeña reciprocated this by helping Quezon get the next highest post in that law-making body. Thus began a friendship and a partnership in public service that was to survive serious political differences and the vicissitudes of politics.

At the end of his term in the Assembly, he was chosen in 1909 as Resident Commissioner in Washington, which office he filled from 1909 to 1916. In 1916 Quezon succeeded in securing the paassage of the Jones Law which completely made elective and Filipinized the Philippine Legislature. Resigning his position as Resident Commissioner, he ran successfully for the Senate and was unanimously elected Senate President, a position which he was to occupy continuously till the Senate passed out of existence temporarily with the establishment of the unicameral Assembly under the Philippine Commonwealth in 1935.

With Quezon at the head of the Senate it was inevitable that a question should arise as to who should be recognized as the leader of the Filipino participation in the government. Was it going to continue under the leadership of Speaker Osmeña or was it going to be the new President of the Senate, Manuel L. Quezon? The issue came to a head when the fiery Quezon bolted the Nacionalista party then headed by Osmeña, and founded the Colectivista party which fought the former on the issue of unipersonalism. But soon Quezon demonstrated his statesmanship by inviting Osmeña's faction to a fusion of the two parties. It was a wise decision for very soon they were to be locked in a bitter struggle against the reactionary Governor General Leonard Wood. This struggle resulted in the Cabinet Crisis in 1923, and the continued quarrels between the governor and the Filipino leaders till the death of the former. The four governors who succeeded Wood saw fit to collaborate with the Filipino leaders.

But soon, Quezon and Osmeña, the two titans of Philippine politics, were to split again in 1933 over the acceptance or rejection of the Hare-Hawes-Cutting Act which was secured by an independence mission jointly headed by Osmeña and Speaker Manuel A. Roxas. The Antis, that is, those who were against the H-H-C Act headed by Quezon, objected to it because they believed the new act would give the Americans unlimited power to retain military and naval bases after independence, without consultation with the Philippine Government, and because it did not specify the date of the grant of Philippine Independence.

The Pros (those for accepting the Act), headed by Osmeña and Roxas, said it was the best law which could be obtained at the time and that it would be a crime to reject it.

The bold Quezon succeeded in having the H-H-C Act rejected by the Philippine Legislature. Then going himself to the United States, he succeeded in securing the passage of the Tydings-McDuffie Law in which his major objections to the Hare-Hawes-Cutting act had been remedied. The Pros thus lost to the Antis, and Quezon's leadership was confirmed, but big and statesman like as they had always been, Quezon and Osmeña reunited so they could face together the difficult problems of the Philippine Commonwealth during the ten-year transition to independence. Again, it was a good thing for the country that they did so, for they had to build a new nation which should have an adequate national defense system, an expanded and progressive educational system and an improved and vital economic program for an incoming independent Philippines. And to cap it all, the country had to meet the exigencies of war when it was invaded by the Japanese in December 1941. The Philippines being ill-prepared for the war, was overrun by the Japanese troops which initially became victorious.

Escaping with Osmeña from Corregidor to Australia and the United States, on invitation of U.S. President Franklin Delano Roosevelt as a military strategy, Quezon labored at the head of the Commonwealth government in exile, for the earliest possible liberation of the Philippines.

Before Quezon's six-year term as President expired, the constitution was amended to enable him to run for a second term. In accordance with the amended Constitution, no President could serve for more than eight consecutive years. He was re-elected in November, 1941 and would have served his full eight-year term by the end of 1943. However, a resolution was passed by the U. S. Congress which enabled him to serve as President beyond the Constitutional mandate, with Osmeña's consent.



"I prefer a government run like hell by Filipinos to a government run like heaven by Americans."—Quezon

But a power far greater than that of Congress or any other human institution removed him from the Presidency on August 1, 1944. While Mrs. Aurora Aragon Quezon, his first cousin whom he quietly married in Hongkong in 1917, and their children were attending Holy Mass at a nearby church, and the ailing Quezon was having some Bible texts read to him by an aide, he got excited over the news of MacArthur's landing on an island close to the Philippines. In his excitement so characteristically Quezonian, he was seized with a fit of coughing. A hemorrhage ensued. Some of the blood clotted in his air passages. Before the family could be summoned, the man who fought for the rights and dignity of his people, who had enriched Philippine political though with such lefty ideas as "My loyalty to my party ends where my loyalty to my country begins" and such fiery slogans as "I prefer a government run like hell by Filipinos to a government run like heaven by Americans", was gone. His mortal remains were laid temporarily at the Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, D.C.

Then in July, 1946, after the liberation of the country he had loved so much and served so well, a grateful America dispatched an aircraft carrier to return his mortal remains to his grief-stricken people. He now rests among the former Philippine Presidents (except Quirino and Laurel) on a choice spot at the Manila North Cemetery.

As time passes and we are able to view his work through the perspective of the years, our love for President Manuel L. Quezon increases with our feeling of respect for his integrity. We are grateful for his services to the cause of Philippine independence, and for his great contribution to the task of laying a solid foundation for an enduring Philippine Republic.

Mang Corne Remembers President Quezon

by
Emmanuel L. Solis, Jr.

Cornelio S. Domingo is just another common Filipino name. Many employees in Quezon City Hall would not know who he is or where to find him. But ask for "Mang Corne" as he is more popularly known, and almost everybody in Quezon City Hall will lead you to him. He works at the Mayor's Office where he serves "the best coffee in town" as proudly described by Mayor Norberto S. Amoranto. On weekends he attends to several callers who avail of his soothing touch as an expert "hilot".

Mang Corne enjoys the distinction of being the first appointed civilian employee of the Quezon City Government. He is more popularly known as the janitor with a presidential appointment; an honor extended to him by no less than the founder of the Capital City — President Manuel Luis Quezon, himself.

Still active at 62, Mang Corne could have retired last year after completing 30 years of satisfactory service in the government. Instead, he elected to retire at the compulsory age of 65 "for I have nothing to do at home except loaf around" Mang Corne pointed out. "I wish to be of service to the city government to which I owe my livelihood and helped me in rearing my family in a modest situation we are now in," he continued.

In an interview with this writer, Mang Corne fondly recalled how he came into service under President Quezon:

"It was sometime in the month of June, 1924. I was 18, just married and was looking for work with which to support my family," he said.

"President Quezon had a farm in Marikina and one day I gathered enough courage to approach him and applied for any kind of job," he continued. "Without even bothering to ask about references, the President hired me on the spot".

Mang Corne was assigned as helper to the Japanese gardener whom Quezon had engaged earlier. His salary was ₱35 a month plus half a sack of rice including free board and lodging.

"The President gave me a room next to the garage so that whenever he arrived, I can immediately open the gates for his car to enter the compound."

But Mang Corne did not stay long with the Quezon family. The Japanese gardener resented the presence of his Filipino helper, nagging him for minor errors. "He (the Japanese) regarded the garden as his exclusive domain and would shout at me if I was puttering in the garden," his mouth hardened, as Mang Corne recalled the incident.

"So, in order to avoid frontal clash with the Japanese gardener I decided to ask permission from Doña Aurora (Mrs. Quezon) to leave their employ. She was sorry to see me go after only six months of working for them." Mang Corne continued.

When Quezon arrived that night, there was no Mang Corne to open the gates. Irked at the delay before the gates were opened, he let out a few curses and asked for the Filipino gardener. Doña Aurora told him the reason why Mang Corne left. He called for the Japanese gardener and gave him a dressing down. The very next morning, Quezon sent a helper to locate Mang Corne but the latter returned empty handed. By then, Mang Corne had returned to his small farm by the Marikina river.

Many years went by as the Star of Baler continued to rise in the political arena, becoming at length President of the Commonwealth. As for Mang Corne, he kept to his farm with his expanding family.

One day, Mang Corne was pasturing his carabaos when he saw several persons alighting from a car at a distance and beckoning him to come to them. "I went over to the group and was surprised to find the President among them," he said.

Quezon immediately recognized his former gardener and admonished him for leaving his employ without even saying goodbye. "In fact, that very night," Quezon said, "I called the Japanese gardener and gave him a tongue-lashing for the ill treatment



MANG CORNE

that he gave you."

It turned out that the President and his party were looking for a suitable place to house several Jewish refugees who have arrived in the country. Quezon then asked Mang Corne if he knew who owns the surrounding lots and was told that the land belonged to Don Felipe Buencamino. The President then instructed one of his aides to prepare the necessary papers to procure the lot which he named "Marikina Hall". (The lot is now a part of Quezon City).

Quezon wanted to tour the area but the field was muddy so he asked Mang Corne to carry him, piggy back, which the latter readily obliged.

After a brief rest, Quezon inquired how Mang Corne was faring along with his family. Mang Corne replied that his family were doing well but his income was becoming insufficient now that his children were growing up. The President then told Mang Corne of the forthcoming inauguration of the country's new capital city. He asked Mang Corne to clean the premises of the future city hall in Cubao in preparation for the inauguration.

Early the following morning, Mang Corne along with six other laborers started cleaning the city hall premises. A certain Lt. Zorilla, head of the constabulary detail guarding the area, however refused to let them in. When Quezon arrived to see the progress of the work, he found the laborers loafing and angrily asked for Mang Corne.

Mang Corne then explained to the President why his men were idling. Quezon called for the PC officer and angrily ordered him to let the workers do the job. "He even threatened Zorilla to pay our wages," said Mang Corne, with a grin.

By October 12, the city hall premises were cleaned up and Mang Corne was surprised when several persons dressed in their most formal attires, began arriving. "I could see that they were government officials and other dignitaries by the suits they wore. I was in my usual camisa de chino so I quietly slipped away from the scene and viewed the ceremonies at a distance. I saw President Quezon being sworn into office as well as the other officials. Afterwards, they went inside the city hall," he said.

Later, I saw Mr. Morato come out of the building and was looking for me. Morato told me that I was wanted by the President. For fear of having done something wrong, I quietly followed Morato and to my surprise, I found the President beaming at me," Mang Corne related

"President Quezon offered to make me a sergeant in the police force but I quietly declined the offer, explaining that I am unschooled and that I could only pass for a janitor. He took a piece of paper and wrote down my appointment as a janitor. He directed Damian Jimenez, then city secretary, to swear me into office. The President then stocd up and told me to raise my right hand like he did while Jimenez with his hand upraised, read my oath of office.

"After the ceremony, the President told me that my new job was to clean his office for he was also the mayor of Quezon City at the time," Mang Corne said.

"One day, I was sweeping round the room while the President was poring over some papers. Looking up, he told me to sit down for he wanted to talk to me," he continued.

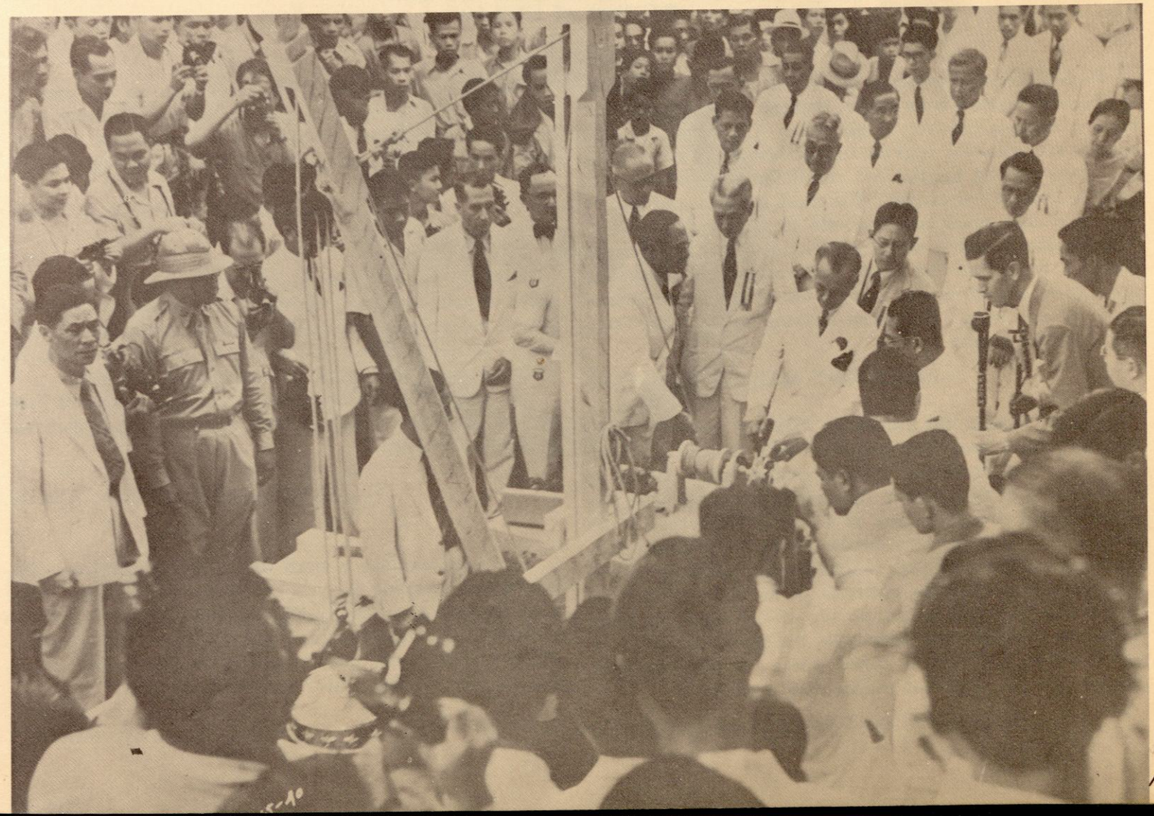
"You know, Cornelio," the President told me, "It is a pity that you have had no formal education. I could have appointed you to a better position than just a mere janitor. Let this be a lesson to you. Strive more than ever to have your children acquire an education so that they won't find a hard time in looking for employment when they grow up," the President advised me.

"The President also told me to serve well whoever would succeed him in office so that nobody will remove me from my job," Mang Corne said.

To this day, Mang Corne had faithfully followed the advice President Quezon gave him. His children have graduated from college and are now holding responsible jobs in the government and the private sector. He has also strove to cultivate the goodwill of Quezon's successors in Quezon City Hall and is looking forward to serve that last three years in the government with the same loyalty as he had served thirty-one years before.

When asked by this writer how he remembers the late President, Mang Corne said: "Every year, during the President's birthday, I wear a special barong-tagalog to hear mass. The President has a very special place in my heart for without him I would still be a farmer in Marikina. He guided my way of life with his well-meaning advice and I could say that I owe what I am now to President Quezon."

President Quezon is shown laying the cornerstone of the Quezon City Hall. This was on November 15, 1940, during the fifth anniversary of the Philippine Commonwealth. With the late President were other prominent Filipino leaders, among whom maybe seen; Sergio Osmeña, Sr., Quintin Paredes, Jose Abad Santos, Teofilo Sison, Rafael Alunan, and many others. Mang Corne helped clear the site before the ceremony.



EULOGY

FATHER OF THIS INFANT REPUBLIC

By Gen. Douglas MacArthur

Of all men of all time, none more truly merited the appellation of patriot—statesman. Few could, as he, replace the uniform of the soldier with the mantle of statescraft, yet maintain with voice and pen in undiminished vigor the crusading fight in the self-same cause for which he had fought by the violence of arms.

Through his long years of public service, never did he compromise the principle which he thus espoused—never did he divert his gaze from the goal which he thus resolutely sought. That he lived to bring its realization in full sight bespeaks the unconquerable determination with which he endowed his lofty purpose. That his native land now stands as one of the free and independent nations of the world is responsive, more than to all else, to the indomitable will by which he developed in the conscience of his people a firm belief in their destiny as a race, and an unshakable conviction that they lacked not the capacity fully to support independent sovereignty once attained.

While preparing to join in the final blow for his people's liberation, death forever closed his lips and stayed his pen, but the immortal spirit which sustains his soul remains forever a dominant influence upon the destiny of the Republic for which he gave so much.

His hours of life were full—hours of peace and hours of war—of anguish and of joy—of defeat and of victory—and, as with all men, of failure and of success—the rattle of musketry as he fought through the uncharted mountain wilderness to seek by war what he later won by peace—the bitter gall of defeat and surrender—the University cloisters where he learned of Christianity, of Western culture, of tradition, and of the law—the shifting fortunes of political struggle as he rose steadily to the fame of position and power—those great crusades he conducted beyond the seas—his advocacy and his success in the cause of Philippine independence—the clouds of war spreading over the Orient—the swirl of enemy bombers—the crash of death and blood and disaster—again the bitterness of defeat—then the exultation, with the rising tide of victory, as he saw our armies standing on the road back six hundred miles from Philippine soil—followed by still waters and silence.

His soul being before the seat of Almighty God, judge of all men of all things, Manuel Quezon's mortal remains are now committed to the tender care of the people he loved so deeply and served so well—his cherished own. Father of this infant Republic, which he planned but never saw, he has returned—he has come home forever.

IN MEMORIAM

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It is difficult to evaluate the works of Manuel Quezon at this short space from death, because all of our present is in a sense a product of his past. The record of that past is a continuous canvass of our history in this century. By recalling his life, we recall the story of the modern growth of our nation. His climb to fame and leadership is a tale which must be told to all our generations. The impetuous spirit which broke the bonds of personal poverty, which hurdled every obstacle because there was none great enough to stay him, is one of the proudest products of our race. His name is truly a glittering ornament of this nation.

—PRESIDENT MANUEL A. ROXAS

Manuel Quezon the stateman, with the possible exception of Rizal, was the greatest born to the Malayan race . . . The undebated truth is that he had a power of execution in a high degree that rarely combines with the philosophical circumspection of a deep thinker that he also was . . . As a member-founder of the Nacionalista Party, he was a partisan that fought for his party as no one else did. But when the interests of his party and those of his country came to the parting of the ways, he never hesitated a moment to terminate his party loyalty. In other words, his politics ended where his statesmanship began. He was a patriot rather than a partisan.

—Then SENATOR CARLOS P. GARCIA

The Republic of the Philippines may be the only inheritance that Quezon, by the will of our Almighty God, has bequeathed to us. This Republic will be but an empty shell if we were to cherish it only in name and in form.

—PRESIDENT ELPIDIO QUIRINO

I want you to know of my profound sorrow in the death of your husband. He was a true statesmen, admired by all who respect men of unselfish convictions and courage to fight for them. The American people will miss his leadership and his loyalty to the cause of freedom.

He kindled in the hearts of his people a love of freedom which lives on, defiant both of armed aggression and poisonous ideology.

—ADMIRAL CHESTER W. NIMITZ

One could not say a word to add to the stature—intellectual and spiritual stature—of Manuel L. Quezon. That is an impossibility. We might as well attempt to retouch a masterpiece done by an immortal. His life should be preached from every pulpit, will be taught in the schools and colleges. Every editor will write about it.

—JUSTICE FRANK MURPHY

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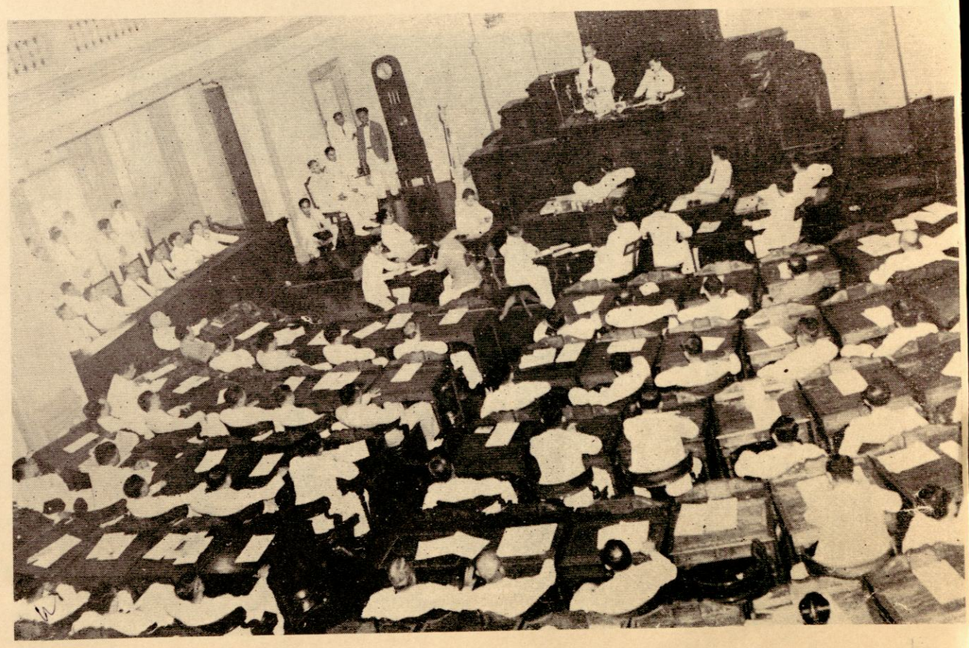
The late President Franklin Delano Roosevelt of the United States signs the Philippine Constitution as President Quezon (seated, right) and delegation of top ranking Filipino officials look on.



President Quezon is shown addressing joint session of the Philippine Congress.



President Quezon watches the civic-military parade commemorating the fifth anniversary of the Philippine Commonwealth. After the parade the cornerstone of the Quezon City Hall was laid. From left, with the President; Col. Lamberto Javelera, Gen. Basilio Valdez, then Speaker Quintin Paredes, Gen. Douglas MacArthur, then Sec. Raafel Alunan, and then Sec. Teofilo Sison.



President Quezon, assisted by his wife, Doña Aurora Aragon-Quezon, cuts the ceremonial ribbon opening an additional wing of the Philippine General Hospital.

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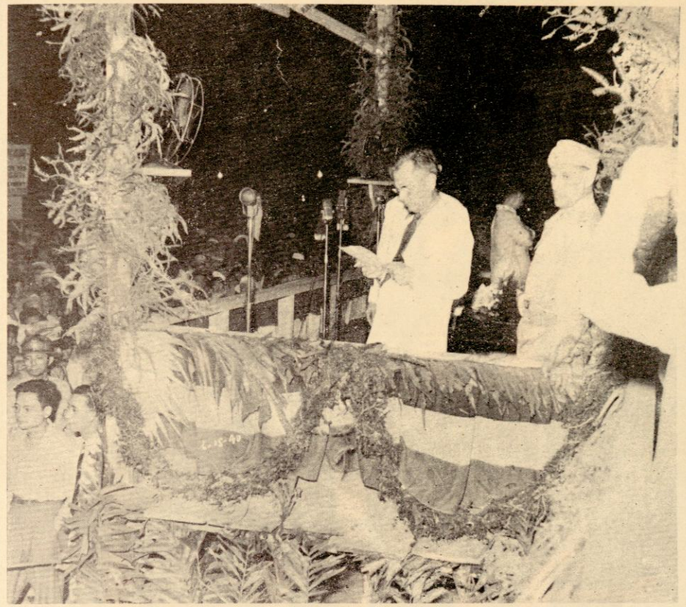
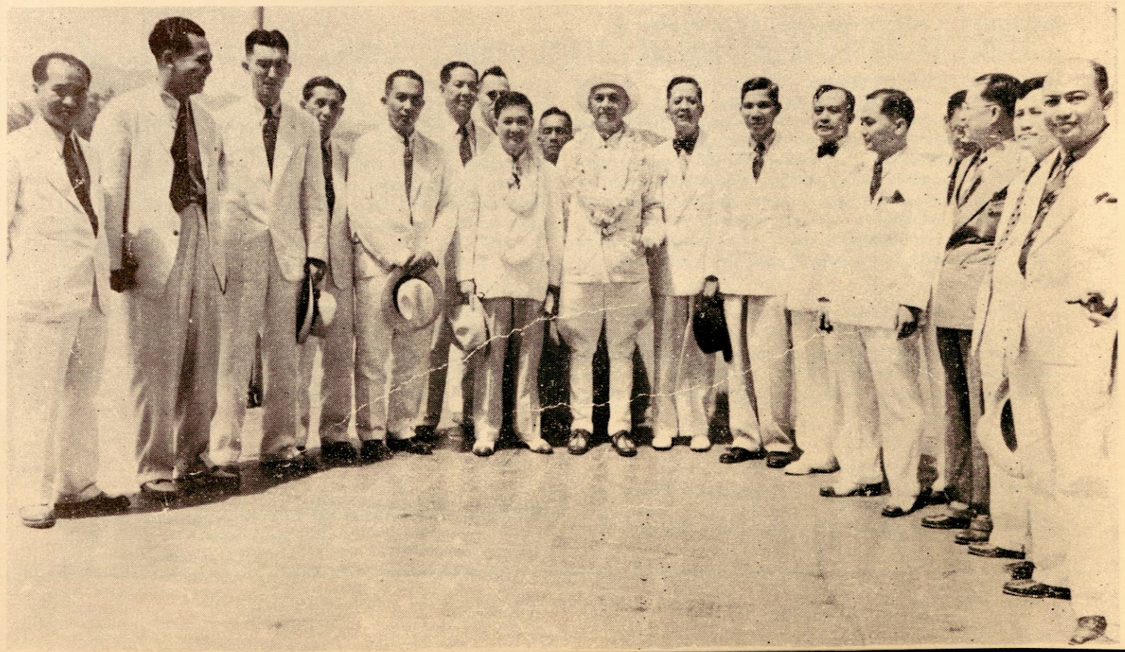


In one of those hectic political rallies, Quezon, with fiery eloquence, appeals to the people of Atimonan, Quezon, for their support of his candidacy for the presidency.



This is Quezon the Man. The debonaire President proudly poses with curvaceous Marlene Dietrich, sultry actress from Hollywood.

With leis of fragrant sampaguitas around his neck, the departed Chief Executive poses with ranking government officials in San Pablo, Laguna. To his right is Jose Yulo, former House Speaker and one of his trusted men.



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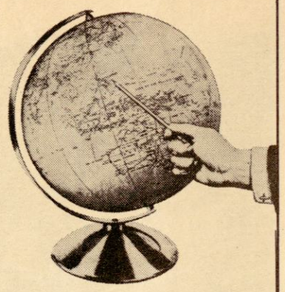

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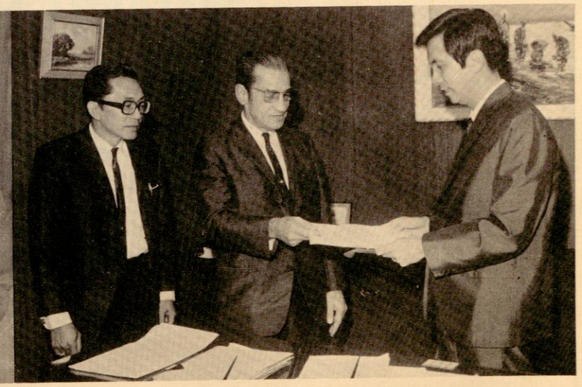

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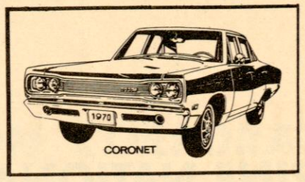

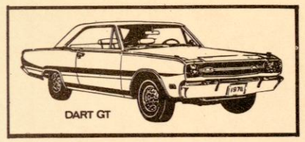

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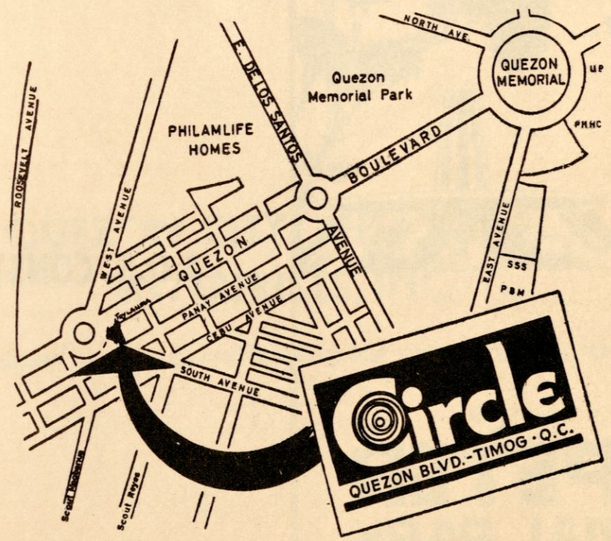

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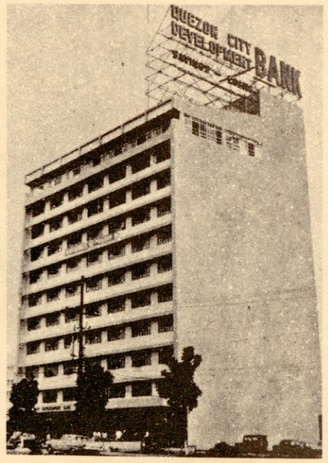

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