

SCHOOLS and SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

LITERARY SECTION

RESULTS OF THE STUDENTS' LITERARY CONTEST

(Two Hundred and Sixth Week)

COLLEGIATE GROUP

Winner:
None

Honorable Mention:

Faustino Carlos, Philippine Normal School, Manila
Salvador Espinas, University of the Philippines
Mariano R. Abadilla, Mapua Institute of Technology
Justo P. Racimo, National University
Meneleo B. Bernardez, Manila Law College
Jose R. Arcangel, University of Santo Tomas

SECONDARY GROUP

Winner:

Ramon D. Soliman, High School, Phil. Central College, Jaro, Iloilo.

Honorable Mention:

Fernando Veloso, Leyte High School, Leyte.
Basilio M. Catimbang, Columbian Institute, Manila
Adolfo S. Garcia, Araullo High School, Manila
Angelo S. Kabigting, Pampanga High School, Pampanga
Jeremias Calixto, Ilocos Norte High School
Eugenio C. Arguelles, N. U. High School, Manila
Romualdo C. Montejo, Leyte Central Academy, Leyte
Felix O. Rey, Davao High School, Davao

NOTE: Manuscripts should contain 300 words more or less, and bear the author's private as well as school address. Contestants enrolled in an institution giving both collegiate and secondary courses should specify to which group they belong. Prizes will be mailed to the winners. Those merely accorded honorable mention are not entitled to any prize. The judges reserve the right to determine the winners.

My Old "Yaya"

By RAMON D. SOLIMAN

WHEN I was a small boy, my "yaya" who was an old woman always told me weird stories before I went to sleep. She told me of the "aswang," of the "camacamá," of the "tamao," and many other ghost tales. Every time I cried she would tell me that the "aswang" would come and take me away. I would stop crying then for I was afraid and I believed my "yaya" and what she told me. She always told me that the ghosts dislike so much the naughty boys, and that I should be a good boy in order that the ghosts would not hurt me or take me away to their homes in the mountains. I was very much afraid because of those weird stories, but I always asked my "yaya" to tell me some stories and she was very glad to do so.

What Causes Epilepsy?

New York, N. Y. A booklet containing the opinions of famous doctors on the subject "CAN EPILEPSY BE CURED?" has met with great interest throughout the country. Doctors from all over the world have contributed to this interesting discussion, which contains a great deal of information and advice on the subject. Any reader will receive a free copy by writing to Renesol Corporation, P. O. Box 226, Manila, Dept. H-175

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When the family decided to go to the farm or to some other place, my "yaya" would wrap a piece of ginger and place it inside my *camaseta*. She told me that the ginger will keep away the malignant spirits and protect me from any harm. Once when we went to the farm she told me to tie the grass and the vines into knots so we would not lose our way, or, that the "tamao" might not mislead us. She even told me to kiss a big stone beside the spring. I hesitated at first, but she told me that we should respect the hospitality of the fairies and to regard their supernatural powers. I then kissed the big stone for I believed my "yaya" those days. I was pointing at something when she scolded me. She told me that it is not good to point at any thing I see. She also told me not to throw something for I might hit the "camacamá" or the "tamao."

But now! There's a great difference. My loving "yaya" is dead and I mourn for her. For all her superstitious beliefs, I forgive her—but, for other things that she had done for me, I honor her and will remember her always. I am glad that she is dead now, for I will no longer hear her tales about the "aswang," the "camacamá," the "tamao," and all other superstitions.

SOUTHERN ACADEMY (BOHOL) STUDENT OFFICERS



The photograph above shows the members of the student council of the Southern Academy of Jagna, Bohol, a progressive institution of learning for students from Mindanao, Mambajao, Surigao, Leyte, and Bohol. Seated, from left to right, are C. Quirol, A. Cabana, F. Lagas, A. Olano, president of the council; Mr. Teofilo M. Visarra, principal of the school; B. Madjus, C. Ranario, and Co. Virtudazo. Standing, from left to right, are C. Radaza, F. Danlayon, P. Pagaran, P. Galve, T. Ranes, and G. Creayla.

SCHOOL NEWS

BULACAN

Aversary of the fittingly celebrated last 25th anniversary of the 1896 Revolution. Girl or the beautiful Rizalina Tagle, by the way. Miss Pacific de los Reyes. A pageant and native dances were among the numbers of the program.

—M. T. Adriano

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CAMARINES NORTE

A contest in folk dancing, singing and declamation was held in Daet, Camarines Norte, in connection with the district athletic meet last January 25th. The winners of the contests are: folk dancing, first place, "Lakambini," won by Mercedes School under Miss Leona L. Palabyab; second place, "Taban-Taban," won by Daet Central under Mr. Jose Alto; third place, "Ang Matamis Ng Pagsuyo," won by Daet Central under Miss Trinidad Raquiza.

Singing: first place, "Good-bye Song" won by Daet Central; second place, "I am going back to my Rocky Mountain Rose" won by Daet Central; third place, "Marching Song" won by Mercedes School.

Declamation: first place, "Daddy Doc," won by Julita Abordo, Daet Central; second place, "By My Mother's Grave," won by Clara Omaña, Daet Central; third place, "The Silver Peso," won by Emilio Alarde, Daet Central.

—Nanding Abrera

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CAMARINES SUR

The rivalry among the three big districts of Nabua, Baao, and Iriga in athletics was terminated last January at Nabua when the Iriga district topped first places in baseball, basketball, and basketball. This achievement was made possible through the untiring efforts of the supervising teacher of the district, Mr. Francisco B. Tillo, with the cooperation of the coaches of the different schools.

—Constancio B. Dacer

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