

MANILA (PNA) — The court of appeals (C.A.) has ordered San Miguel corporation (SMC) to pay 170,700 pesos in damages to an employee it had dismissed 13 years ago for allegedly masterminding the hoarding of empty beer bottles.

Recipient of the 170,700-peso damage payment is Benjamin F. Gadi, a former SMC sales supervisor and a father of six children.
In a decision penned by associate justice Porfirio V. Sison, (Continued on page 8)

FOR APRIL 2 ELECTIONS
LIBERAL, NACIONALISTA PARTIES TO FIELD CANDIDATES

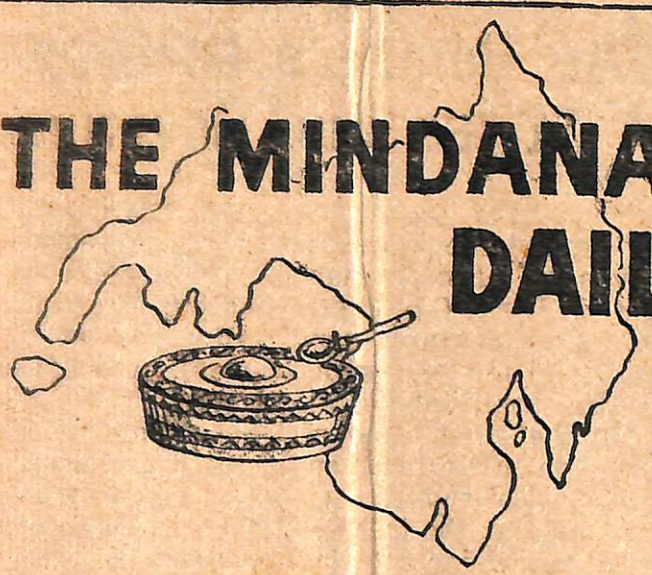
MANILA (PNA) — The coming election for members of the Interim Batasang Pambansa (IBP) will see the reentry of the Liberal and Nacionalista parties in Philippine politics.
This was gathered today by the Philippines News Agency

captain (PNA) from representatives of both parties who attended a consultation meeting called by the commission on elections (COMELEC).

"We are encouraged by the assurance given by chairman Leonardo Perez and solicitor-general Estelito Mendoza regarding the credibility of the coming election," said former senator Ramon Mitra who represented the liberal party (LP).
He added that at present, the (Continued on page 8)

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WATER DISTRICT IN MONEY FIX?

Science service centers up soon

Science foundation of the Philippines (SFP) has targetted the establishment and full operation of three science and technology service centers in the country within the next five years, including one in Davao City, it was learned from Ma. Delia Moran, science promotion officer of SFP in region XI.
Moran said the science and technology service centers (STSC), as envisioned by the SFP, will offer three services, namely: 1) non-formal education and career development in science and technology; 2) a science and technology museum; and 3) facilities for research and experimentation.
Moran said the SFP, which is entrusted with the promotion of public understanding of science and technology, sees the STSC as a vehicle for the greater exposure to the people of what (Continued on page 7)

Monthly expenses is P310-T but income is only P250,000

By Antonio M. Ajero
The Davao City Water District (DCWD) has appealed to the Local Water Utility Administration (LWUA) to allow it to stop paying interest of the 62-million peso loan used in financing the construction of the giant waterworks project, DCWD Iluminado P. Quinto said today.

In an exclusive interview during "Pinasidunggang Dinapit", a program of DXMC hosted by Mirrorman Tony Ajero, Quinto said the request was made because the interest was a heavy financial burden of the district.

He said the DCWD has an average monthly income of only 250,000 pesos.
However, it is required to pay a monthly interest of 210,000 (Continued on page 8)

CHPG, NPCC pool efforts

The constabulary highway patrol group and the national pollution control commission have combined efforts to enforce here starting this month the anti-pollution law, specifically on motor vehicles.
Major Douglas Rosete, regional supervisor of the southern Mindanao constabulary highway patrol, said the CHPG will concentrate this month on the implementation of LOI 553, otherwise known as the anti-pollution law, following an in-

formation drive on its provisions conducted here since November.
Rosete said their campaign on LOI 553, starting with smoke belching vehicles, has been limited these past two months to issuance of warning slips to violators due to the lack then of locally available anti-pollution devices to be installed (Continued on page 7)

Rabat-Davao Oriental's Robin Hood In Reverse

Robin Hood, that legendary rogue of Sherwood Forest who robbed the rich in order to give to the poor, might have been a mere figment of the imagination of the novelist.
In the province of Davao Oriental, however, a successful businessman who has earned his

money honestly through a combination of hard work, keen business acumen and an unerring sense to foresee the economic needs of his province, has earned the reputation of being a modern day Robin Hood in reverse — that is, making money the honorable way but still possessing a compassionate

heart to succor the needy and destitute among his constituents.
The rise of Rabat in the business and political firmament of Davao Oriental did not come easy. When he threw his hat in the political arena for the first time in the 1967 gubernatorial elections, he lost the race to the then more politically-entrenched Leopoldo Lopez, a veteran politician who, at the (Continued on page 8)

Tree planting registration on

The regional office of the bureau of forest development is reminding citizens covered by PD 1153, otherwise known as the tree planting decree, that the registration period has been extended only up to February 7 and the submission of the tree planting plan up to February 21.
BFD acting assistant regional director P.M. Narciso, Jr. said all agency heads and monitoring officers as identified under (Continued on page 8)

DBP okays P9-M loans

Alley B. Berdin, manager of the Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP) revealed today that his bank has already approved various loans amounting to P9,100,000, corresponding to 264 approved loan applications.
Berdin said the distribution of approved loans are broken down as follows: Davao City — 88; Davao del Sur — 66; Davao del Norte — 80; and Davao Orient (Continued on page 8)

STRESS NEED FOR TRAFFIC EDUCATION

By Pfc. Wenceslao A. Nuñez
Ever since in urban areas almost all responsible citizens in our society have given serious attention to the increasing number of traffic accidents every year. Lots of people have been asking why this had happened and what causes them. Some of them expect to find the right information from traffic accident reports, but a mere glance to the voluminous records on files will not render positive results.
To acquaint ourselves of what is traffic accident, it is defined as, an occurrence on the way involving traffic which is undersigned, unintentional and without usually producing unusual and unfortunate results. It raises an interesting (Continued on page 8)

Frankly SPEAKING
By Demetrio T. Flaviano

PLDT Gives Lousy Service
One of our telephones connected with the Philippine Long Distance Telephone Company has been out of order for the past two weeks.
In spite of personal calls made with 03 and follow-ups made with the office of the PLDT, nothing has been done about our complaint. We only receive as- (Continued on page 2)