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## OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY CLERK

I, Julia A. Davies Deputy City Clerk, duly designated by the Clerk of the City of New York to solemnize marriages, do hereby certify that I did on this 30 day of April in the year A.D. 1937, at the office of the City Clerk, in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, State of New York, solemnize the rites of matrimony between Augustas Mae Cuthbert of Manilla in the County of State of Philippine Isds. and Sam Marie Gaircloth of New York in the County of State of New York in the presence of Howard E. Spitzer and J. C. Davis as witnesses.

Witness my hand at the office of the City Clerk, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, State of New York, 30 day of April, A.D. 1937



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DEPUTY CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN

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RECEIPT FOR Fee of \$ 2.00 for Performance of Marriage Ceremony

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AMERICAN BATTLE MONUMENTS COMMISSION  
EUROPEAN OFFICE

Paris, France.  
June 22, 1937.

Major General Douglas MacArthur,  
Care The Adjutant General,  
Washington. D. C.

My dear MacArthur:

No doubt you have received the cable sent you through the Washington Office of the Battle Monuments Commission extending you an invitation to be present on August 1 at the unveiling of the monument we have erected on Montfaucon. But that does not seem enough in your case because of your distinguished service in the A.E.F. I am therefore sending you this note hoping to induce you to come over for the ceremony if at all possible.

If you could realize the personal satisfaction it would give me to have you present with others who held important positions in the army during those grilling days of the Meuse-Argonne battle, I am sure your wish to be here would be all the greater. But whether you can come or not, you will know how sincerely I desire your presence.

Faithfully yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'John J. Pershing'. Below the signature is a horizontal flourish.



FRANCISCO A. DELGADO  
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November 6, 1937



Gen. Douglas MacArthur  
c/o Manila Hotel, Manila

Dear Bro. MacArthur:

I have just received word from Washington to the effect that you have been conferred the high honor of being made a K. C. C. H. at the last meeting of the Supreme Council. Allow me, therefore, to congratulate you heartily and express my deep gratification for such a rare distinction.

With kindest personal regards to Mrs. MacArthur and yourself, I remain

Fraternally and sincerely yours,

*F. A. Delgado*  
F. A. DELGADO.

# Philippine National Guard Association

Manila, Commonwealth of the Philippines



November 16, 1937

**PURPOSE:**—"The purpose of the Association shall be: To reaffirm our faith and loyalty to God, to our country and to our government; to inculcate the spirit of service and of sacrifice; and to help each other mutually in case of need." Art. I, Sec. 3, Constitution.

**MEMBERSHIP:**—"Any former member of the National Guard (whether federalized or not, commissioned, non commissioned or enlisted men) of good moral character and conduct, shall be eligible for membership in the Association." (No entrance fee is required) Art. II, Sec. 1, Constitution.

**FINANCE:**—"All expenses of the Association shall be met from membership dues and contributions. The Secretary-Treasurer shall render annually a statement of all funds collected and expended." Art. V, Sec. 1, Constitution.

Dial 2-38-92  
P. O. Box 1149

Address the President

Maj. Gen. Douglas MacArthur, U.S.A.  
Field Marshal, Philippine Army,  
Malacañan Palace, Manila

My dear General MacArthur:

I have the honor to transcribe the following resolution adopted by this Association at its annual general meeting on November 11, 1937, in conjunction with the 19th Armistice Day anniversary celebration held at the Oriental Grill, which is self-explanatory:

"Resolved: That the inspiring messages read at this banquet, the 19th Armistice Day celebration, be received and placed in the Archives of this Association and that the appreciation of the members of the Association in general be, as it hereby is, conveyed to the writers, His Excellency, the United States High Commissioner to the Philippines, Honorable Paul V. McNutt, Manila; His Excellency, the President of the Philippines, Honorable Manuel L. Quezon, Manila; the Vice-President of the Philippines, Honorable Sergio Osmeña, Manila; Major General Douglas MacArthur, U.S.A., Field Marshal, Philippine Army, Manila; Major General Lucius R. Holbrook, U.S.A., Commanding General, Philippine Department, United States Army, Manila, P.I.; Major General John H. Hughes, U.S.A., Commanding General, Philippine Division, Fort Wm. McKinley, Rizal, P.I.; Brigadier General Percy P. Bishop, U.S.A., Commanding General, Harbor Defenses of Manila and Subic Bays, Fort Mills, P.I.; Brigadier General Evan H. Humphery, U.S.A., Commanding General, Fort Stotsenburg, Pampanga, P.I.; Brigadier General George Grunert, U.S.A., Commanding General, 23rd Brigade, Fort Wm. McKinley, Rizal, P.I.; Major General Creed F. Cox, U.S.A., Adviser to Commonwealth Government of the Philippines, Malacañan, Manila, P.I.; Major General Paulino Santos, P.A., Chief of Staff, Philippine Army, Manila, P.I.; Major General Basilio J. Valdes, P.A., Deputy Chief of Staff, Philippine Army, Manila, P.I.; Major General Jose de los Reyes, P.A., Provost Marshal General, Philippine Army, Manila, P.I.; Brigadier General Vicente Lim, P.A., War Plans Division, Philippine Army, Manila, P.I.; and Brigadier General Guillermo B. Francisco, P.A., Commanding General, Regular Division, Philippine Army, Manila, P.I.

"With this our message of gratitude goes the assurance that loyalty to the ideals of liberty and democracy, allegiance to the flag, and love of native country and all it stands for, are, and always will be our guides in thought, word, and act, and that



### Armistice Day and the Filipino Guardsman

*(Presentation remarks of the President at the seventeenth Armistice Day annual reunion, Plaza Hotel, November 11, 1935, the Honorable Francis Burton Harrison, guest of honor).*

On the eleventh of November, at the eleventh hour of the day, seventeen years ago, the long line of guns that had roared incessantly for four years along the battle front in Europe suddenly became silent. The Armistice that terminated the fighting in the greatest war the world has ever known had been signed. People all over the world thrilled at the Allied victory.

We were all thankful then that the slaughter of war was at an end. It meant the happy ending of a righteous struggle; the hope of peace on earth, goodwill to men. To-day, in solemn meditation, we render homage to those soldiers who died during the World War, numberless of heroes, in the Flanders Field, men unknown to men, who sacrificed their best in a war to end war, in a war to make the world safe for democracy. Alas! Armistice Day brings back to us the shocking horrors of that great world conflagration in history. Yet, it meant then the fulfillment of our long desires, our ardent plea for peace, the end of anguish and the cruelty of war. But we are here to-day to join the world over in the tribute to our glorious dead, in the celebration of the victory of the allies, and in the rededication of our powers to the service of our country; that the spirit of patriotism, loyalty and self-sacrifice which prompted our offer of service during the World War shall still be alive, kept burning perennially in the recesses of our heart.

Comrades: I ask you to remember in prayers those who have fallen in the battlefield, in their respective line of service, and the departed members of the National Guard of the Philippines.

Guardsmen: Attention!—(One minute silence)—Rest!

Governor Harrison, allow me to present to you these grand men gathered here to-day. They are the remnant of the bulwark which President Quezon offered to President Wilson in the Spring of 1917—Twenty-five thousand strong—

From Luzon's winding mountains  
and far Visayas shores,  
Who left their ploughs and workshops,  
their wives and children dear;  
With hearts too full for utterance,  
but with a silent tear.

Permit me, Mr. Governor, to say right here with President Quezon, when he made the offer of the services of the men from the Philippines: "This feeling of loyalty is as deeprooted as it is natural. It is the result of the wise policy of the Wilson-Harrison administration which has made the Philippines actually self-governing and pledged the future complete independence of the Islands. You have proved your sincerity in the Philippines as the champion of democracy, of the right of all peoples to a government of their own choice; and we are proud to be able to do our part in proving before all the world our belief in the unsullied honor and unmatched nobility of your great self-governing commonwealth."

Soon after the termination of our service, however, sad as it may be to make recollections, disillusionment had come in some measure to these men, the majority of whom had to seek bread and shelter in the home of their nearest relatives. Others, still less fortunate, had even to join in the "bread line" with bitter grim. Then the hardship began, the struggle for the existence became more strongly manifest in the lives of those young men who could not go back to their former employment. Reinstatement was in many cases utterly impossible. Still others had to leave their homes and their families and their own dear country. Those of us who remained in the City and in the neighborhood thought it best to form an association to keep alive in us the spark of patriotism; to instill the spirit of service and of sacrifice that was once ours. By turn of Providence and by keeping themselves true to the destinies of human endeavor, we find to-day in this organization members who are classed among the leaders in the political field, having invaded the Legislative also in the Judiciary and in the Executive branches of our popular government. A number of guardsmen are also holding now important elective and appointive positions of high responsibility in the government; insular, provincial and municipal. Quite a number of them too, are to be found eminently in their own pursuits amidst scientists, tradesmen, soldiers, merchants, professionals and farmheads in the country. This is our achievement.

I am reminded at this point of the words of a classmate of mine, the Rev. George S. L. Connor, famous World War Chaplain, who, writing in the "Foreign Service" magazine on the attitude of the true soldier in the bonus agitation, ably summed up as follows: "A real veteran, who served his country with generous impulse in any war, and who today is sound and normal, his services in war will be equalled by the generosity of his service in peace. The high motives that impelled him to give in conflict will impell him to give in peace. If he be a real soldier, he seeks no special quarter for himself. The joy of his service was the real privilege of his young manhood. He thrilled then at the opportunity of being considered a man among men, and if he still be a man, a sound and normal man, he still thrills at the memory of that service, and begs only the privilege of living free and unhampered under the flag he fought to protect." This, Mr. Governor, is our norm of conduct. We have been denied the honor and the glory to the service medal and to the victory of the World War. We were given no credentials whatever for our sacrifices. But we thrill at the opportunity of being considered a man among men, and we thrill at the memory of that service, and beg only the privilege of living free and unhampered under the flag we fought to protect.

And now, comrades in the service of our country, I take this signal honor and privilege of presenting to you our distinguished guest of honor to-day. It would be a vain task to make even the feeble attempt at a narration of his monumental deeds in the government of our islands. History has already dedicated its best pages in gold to the man who brought to us the New Era in colonial administration. His is the towering mole in the landmarks in contemporary history; that of government of Filipinos aided by Americans to succeed the government of Americans aided by Filipinos.

Gentlemen of the National Guard Association, Ecce Homo, our beloved friend and benefactor, our first Commander-in-Chief, the Honorable Francis Burton Harrison.

(The address of Gov. Harrison is printed in pamphlet form.  
Send postage stamps for mailing a copy).



the same spirit which prompted us to offer our bodies as bulwarks to the glorious Stars and Stripes under whose protecting folds we fervently hope to see this beautiful country attain to a separate national existence, is still alive in our breasts.

"Resolved, further, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes and that copies thereof be furnished to the distinguished friends of our Association above named."

Very respectfully,



*M. P. De Veyra*

M. P. DE VEYRA  
Major of Infantry, P. A., (Res.)  
President



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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
OF THE PHILIPPINES

Manila, November 24, 1937

Maj.-Gen. Douglas MacArthur  
Military Adviser to the Commonwealth  
of the Philippines  
No. 1, Victoria, W.C., Manila

Sir:

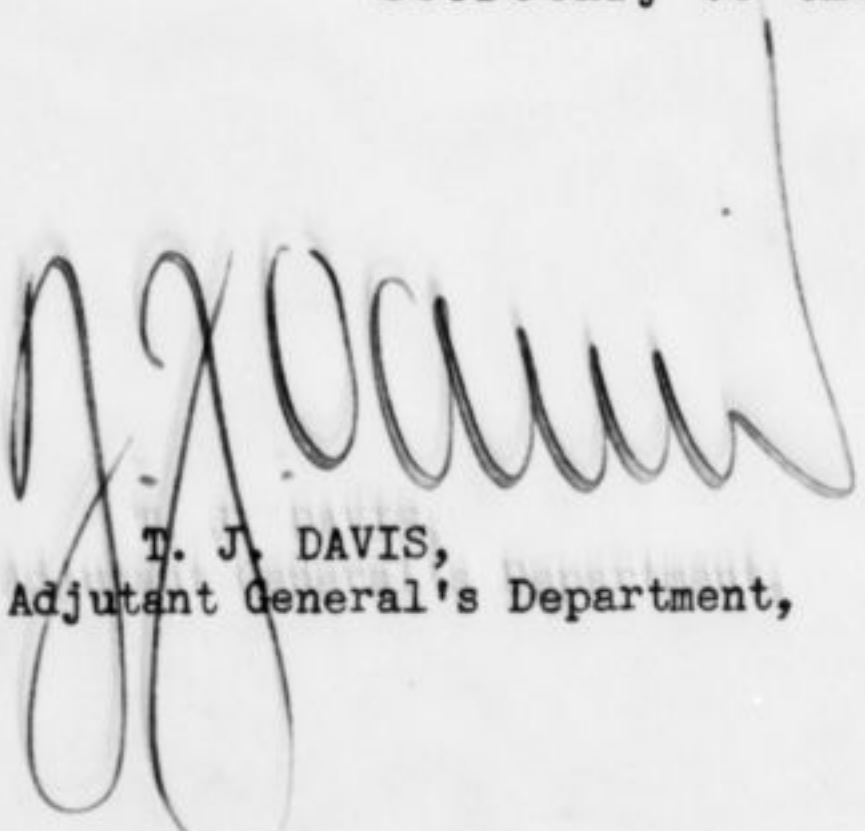
I have the honor to inclose herewith a copy of Resolution No. 84, adopted by the National Assembly on November 20, 1927, entitled "RESOLUTION THANKING GENERAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR FOR HIS INVALUABLE SERVICES IN ORGANIZING THE PHILIPPINE ARMY AND THE NATIONAL DEFENSE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE PHILIPPINES".

Very respectfully,

JORGE B. VARGAS  
Secretary to the President

incl.

A true copy:

  
T. J. DAVIS,  
Captain, Adjutant General's Department,

*(over)*

VARGAS, JORGE B.



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Sir:

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*for resolution no 287408*

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THANKS OF ASSEMBLY

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WHEREAS, General Douglas MacArthur has rendered invaluable services to the Commonwealth of the Philippines in organizing the Philippine Army, and has laid the foundation of its national defense tending to insure its security from outside aggression; and

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WHEREAS, in the achievement of these objectives, General Douglas MacArthur has unreservedly placed all his experience, science, and personal efforts at the service of the Commonwealth of the Philippines, and the National Assembly believes that they merit praise and recognition from the people of the Commonwealth; Now, therefore, be it

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ADOPTED, NOVEMBER 20, 1937. RESOLUTION NO. 84, FIRST NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, SECOND SESSION.

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**T**HE National Assembly's resolution of gratitude addressed to Field Marshal Douglas MacArthur is well-deserved.

That the Philippines has been favored with the services of this brilliant military leader is a bit of rare good fortune whose full meaning and significance will reveal itself more and more as this young country adds years to its history. America's general staff is behind the military preparations in Hawaii. Britain's highest military and naval talents have been enlisted for the military works being undertaken in Hongkong and Singapore. France and Holland are beginning to focus serious military attention to their respective life-lines in the East. But when, in turn, we have so outstanding a professional soldier as Field Marshal MacArthur to direct our own preparations, we can safely say that ours will not suffer in ultimate effectiveness.

It is probably unfortunate that the valor of an isolated case of pacifism in the Assembly resulted in the elimination of the clause requesting the President to retain the Field Marshal as military adviser with the same rank and directing that his name be carried in the rolls of the Philippine Army for life. The Assembly believed that a unanimous vote was preferable to the elimination of the clause, and so the lone pacifist's compromise to vote for the resolution minus the clause he objected to was accepted.

But the omission has not materially marred the spirit behind the resolution. The people whose security is being gradually assured by the work of the Field Marshal have spoken through their elected representatives, and one thing is patent: their gratitude is deeper and more abiding than what the resolution, in stiff legalistic phrases, can possibly convey.

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