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We have just finished the dinner for ^{close} friends and members of the family — only about 100. I prepared a program where Mike Velarde invited Rudy Jose Salazar and Bernabey, the stars of the zarzuela "Walang Sugat" and ~~Francis~~ ^{Francis} Fina Tabuena invited Pilita Corrales to sing.

Happy evening. After the crowded and warm luncheon at the Heroes Hall that followed the mass at the Ceremonial Hall said by Father Donagan. He gave a sermon around the "Brooks" of Piet Hein, a Dane architect, sculpture and writer who wrote "Swing is the doing of a thing now or never which is yours?"

Paula is happy about the celebration is she was ^{about} ~~about~~ ^{trip to Hawaii} ~~about~~ the letter I wrote her. Copy of it I attach. She thinks it is the best I ever wrote. The children called her, Juan from Mallorca, Spain, Bong Bong and Irene from their schools — all collect.