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8:00

Wednesday, May 17, 1939

8:30

Lim takes his oath. The Military Adviser's

9:00

Office, all the Philippine Army officers from Lt. Col.

9:30

up and all the officers of the Constabulary from Maj's

10:00

up in Manila except Gen Francisco, present.

10:30

Members of the Cabinet also present. After the oath-

11:00

taking and picture-taking, the President directed

11:30

that all P.A. and Constabulary officers remain.

12:00

He starts by saying that what he was going to

12:30

say was the result of his intuition and that no-

1:00

body had told him. He said he was going to talk

1:30

with his "corazon en to mano." He felt that there

2:00

was no full cooperation between the Scout Officers and

2:30

the Const. Officers. He said the Scout Officers felt them-

3:00

selves superior because of their training and Const.

3:30

Officers are jealous and suspicious because the Scout

4:00

Officers are getting the rank away from them. At the

4:30

beginning of the Nat. Def. there were only two sources

5:00

from which I could draw the officer personnel

5:30

with which to build the Army, the Constabulary

6:00

& the Scouts. The Constabulary had proven themselves

6:30

to be good police officers. Since the P.A. Army is of

7:00

the same govt., I did not doubt their loyalty, but

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since the Scout Officers were officers of the Fed. govt.

I was not sure of their loyalty but by

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8:00 by I inferred that they were also loyal
 8:30 because loyalty to America doesn't mean this loyalty
 9:00 to their own country. And I was very glad indeed
 9:30 when a delegation of these officers came to see me
 10:00 to offer their services. On this visit of their repres.
 10:30 I gathered from the conversation that they were
 11:00 apprehensive of the future of the Nat. Def. unless a
 11:30 man of mil. training was selected as Chief of Staff.
 12:00 You know, I appointed Santos, a retired major of the
 12:30 Constabulary, without any mil. training, passing
 1:00 over Gen. Valdes who was then chief of Const. and
 1:30 several Col. and Lt. Col. senior to him. This was a
 2:00 test of loyalty for the senior Const. officers and also
 2:30 of for the Scouts, because of their stand as to who
 3:00 the chief of staff should be. I found that the
 3:30 Const. officers were loyal, & I was very glad indeed
 4:00 when the Scout officers volunteered their services for
 4:30 them. I was doubly sure of their loyalty despite
 5:00 the Santos selection. Then happened the unfortunate
 5:30 incident when sev. of the Scout officers
 6:00 left the Phil. Army. I was mad and I told
 6:30 Gen. Mac Arthur to get rid of all the Scout
 7:00 officers, but I started my own investigation &
 7:30 found that there was a misunderstanding
 more our fault than theirs. We did not keep

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8:00 our side of the bargain; we did not live up to our
 8:30 promise. The officers that stayed after this incident
 9:00 proved themselves again to be loyal to the goal. I
 9:30 am going to get back most of these officers that
 10:00 left the Phil Army - not all of them. You of the
 10:30 Const. have no kick. Some of you have received two
 11:00 or three promotions. Were it not for the Phil. Army
 11:30 many of you would die majors whereas many of
 12:00 you are Cols + Lt Cols today. The Const. men officers
 12:30 are not trained in a mil. sense. Naturally, they can-
 1:00 not do the mil. work of this army. Most of the
 1:30 Scout officers were trained as young men in the U.S. Army.
 2:00 They served long yrs. in the U.S. Army, doing nothing
 2:30 but mil. work. Some of them have had further
 3:00 schooling in U.S. Army Schools. They lack however
 3:30 the experience of commanding big bodies of troops.
 4:00 I don't understand why misunderstanding should
 4:30 arise and I want both groups of officers to feel
 5:00 alike + equal in rank and worthiness. I find
 5:30 many liars + crooks among the Const. officers, members
 6:00 of courts-martial who don't appreciate the seriousness
 6:30 of lying + cheating, + I want to get rid of all
 7:00 these officers. This is the only way we can build
 7:30 our army, as no army is better than its corp of officers.
 I am going to clean up this army of all its liars

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- 8:00 crooks! I want you to honor respect + love that
- 8:30 uniform, love it more than your wife your children
- 9:00 & home. By your own sense of honor you should
- 9:30 refuse to associate with these liars and crooks who
- 10:00 are wearing this uniform and you should clean
- 10:30 them up yourselves! He concluded by saying he
- 11:00 wanted to thank the Mil Adm. for his services,
- 11:30 + the Scout officers for their loyalty
- 12:00
- 12:30 + the former Const. officers for their loyalty
- 1:00 He mentioned about the ultimate goal of the man
- 1:30 who goes to U.S.M.A by saying that preparation
- 2:00 is for his own people + not for the U.S. this
- 2:30 is shown by the fact that Annapolis grads are
- 3:00 not commissioned in the U.S. Navy.
- 3:30 I'm talking about the ^{Scout} officers that left the Phil.
- 4:00 Army, he mentioned the fact that these Scout officers
- 4:30 ~~are not given the~~ rank that used to be given to Amer. officers detailed
- 5:00 in the Const. He said that any Capt. detailed
- 5:30 in the Const was made a full Col. The reason
- 6:00 for this is clear he said. These Amer. officers
- 6:30 were temporarily assigned to the Const, whereas
- 7:00 these Scout officers are to occupy permanent
- 7:30 position in the Phil. Army.