

Editor's Notes

As readers may note, we have attempted in this issue and in the previous one to improve the format and editorial style of the *Journal*. We have relocated the abstracts to precede each article and printed the complete date of issue at the beginning of each major piece for easy photocopying. We have also tried to add more "notes" to the "News & Notes" and to play up major events through greater "investigative reporting" (that is, greater research inputs and analyses). In future issues, we will try to expand and strengthen the book review section, an effort already reflected in this issue.

This issue features articles by Filipino authors and an American scholar with continuing interests in Philippine topics. In a summary of her Ph.D. thesis, *Victoria M. Arcega*, Research Associate on the College Staff, picks up on a topic essayed some years ago in this *Journal* and explores the socio-cultural and institutional roles of Filipino technocrats in the context of an agricultural program. *Thomas P. Walsh* continues his discussion of the Philippine provincial governorship — this time dealing with the way governors allocated and made use of their time in pre-martial law days — in a sequel to his dissertation-based article in the previous issue. Dr. Walsh is a Program Officer in the International Development Research Centre (IDRC) of Canada. In his article, *Raul P. de Guzman*, familiar to readers as Dean of our College and frequent contributor to the *Journal*, sums up the management training needs in the ESCAP region in the light of national development goals and specific training objectives.

Olivia C. Caoili, Researcher at the Center for Policy Studies in the University of the Philippines at Los Baños, attempts to operationalize for research purposes key elements in the model of "political economy" presented by Warren F. Ilchman and Norman Thomas Uphoff in a book published in 1969. *Ma. Aurora A. Carbonell*, Researcher and *PJPA* Managing Editor, subjects a book on mass participation and politics (by G. di Palma, 1970) to an extended review from the viewpoint of her forte—methodology. Another book review by *Catalina R. Tañga*, Senior Research Assistant, relates the "lessons" conveyed by two books on Western and Chinese health services (by Ivan Illich and Peter Wilenski) to the Philippine public health program.