

## NATIONAL STATISTICS WEEK

President Magsaysay, by Proclamation No. 111, series of 1955, declared the period from February 20 to 26, 1955, inclusive, as National Statistics Week, calling "upon all government offices and instrumentalities . . . as well as all private entities and individuals to participate in the proper observance of said period . . . and otherwise to generously support the Philippine Statistical Association, Inc. in its task of fostering statistics and its applications, of promoting unity and effectiveness of effort . . . and of increasing the contribution of statistics to human welfare."

The Statistical Training Center of the University of the Philippines held a program on February 24th. at the Rizal Hall during which addresses on the significance of statistics and the role of the Center in the training of statisticians were delivered by Dr. Enrique T. Virata, Executive Vice-President of the University and concurrently Director of the Statistical Training Center; Dr. Manuel O. Hizon, Associate Actuary of the G.S.I.S., and Professorial Lecturer of the Center; Dr. Leon Ma. Gonzales, Director, Bureau of the Census and Statistics; Mr. Cesar M. Lorenzo, Director of the Import-Export Department, Central Bank of the Philippines, and Dr. Karel Rosemann, FAO Agricultural Statistician. Mr. Satya B. Sen UN Senior Statistical Adviser, answered questions from the audience. Teachers of mathematics, statistics, and other personalities were special guests at the program, which was followed by a merienda given by the Philippine Statistical Association.

Programs were also held in the University of the East, the Philippine Women's University, the Far Eastern University, and other educational institutions in Manila and in the provinces. Mr. Cesar M. Lorenzo, President, and Dr. Enrique T. Virata, First Vice-President, both of the Philippine Statistical Association, delivered speeches before the Manila Lions Club and the Rotary Club, respectively; Mr. Satya B. Sen, UN Senior Statistical Adviser discussed before a select audience in the Philippine Women's University, the nature and scope of statistics.

Several addresses were broadcast over Radio Station DZFM; these and those delivered in the University of the East, and the Far Eastern University, are included in this issue of the Journal.

## THE THIRD ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Third Annual Conference of the Association was held on Saturday, January 29, 1955, at the Philippine Columbian Clubhouse. Six papers were read in abstract form followed by discussion on the subject matter developed by their authors. Three of these papers are published in this issue of the Journal; the others will be included in the June issue.

Senator Gil J. Puyat, delivered an address entitled "A Synchronized Economic Program", and administered the oath of office to the Members of the Board of Directors elected during the annual meeting held last December, to serve during the year 1955.

The new Board elected the Officers in accordance with the requirements of the corporation act, appointed the Committees, the Editorial Board, and provided for the auditing of the funds of the Association as of December 31, 1954. The complete report of the well known firm of Certified Public Accountants, "Sycip, Gorres, Velayo & Co." is published in this issue of the Journal.

