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**The Te Deum was read** in morning chapel at St Mary's on Monday morning in thanksgiving for the Armistice which was to be signed later that morning. Interest in the truce in Sagada as in New York was not great.

**After the service, the Honor Roll students** whose average is 90 and above) for the first marking period that ended July 24th, was read. There were only three who made it: Jane Abeya – 92; Cristina Batore – 90; and Robert Longid – 90, all in the Senior Class. Prizes for students making the highest average in each section were then given – for the winners in the intermediate classes, the One Hundred and One Best Songs; for the high school, The Pocketbook Webster Dictionary.

### List of students making the highest average in each section (First Marking Period)

1V- Jane Abeya – 92; 111-Inez Killip – 88; 11A-Beatrice Batnag – 85; 11B Susan Bondad and Rita Wacan – 79; 1A-Gloria Bawaan – 87; 1B Soledad Bangloy – 88; PrepA – Thomas Magalgalit – 87; PrepB – Francis Ngalob – 82; PrepC – Cristina Aglit – 89; 6th Grade – Estrella Alipit – 87; 5th Grade – Harriet Badu – 84

**Prizes are given** at the end of each marking period for the student in each section who makes the most improvement. On the board, notice has been placed on the list of students with unexcused absences. If there are reasons for these absences, report tomorrow afternoon to Mr. Batnag. Absences must be made up by study in the Library between 2:45 and 4:45 Mondays through Fridays, and on Saturdays between 8:30 and 11:30.

**The Faculty Meeting** on Monday recommended that all textbooks should be covered to prevent their being dirtied. Students who have not done this should do so by next Monday. Also students should be careful about not turning down the corners of pages and should never write in the text books which they have had loaned to them.

**Our church advances fast in Lepanto.** A beautiful church building will soon be constructed from funds secured locally. There is an unusual combination of factors that lead to progress. A copper mining company that is very interested in the welfare of its workers; that has built a fine vocational high school; Mrs. Foster, who has developed a handcraft weaving for village women, and contented miners; and a priest who was recently assigned to the congregation of the Anglicans. Bishop Ogilby's recent visit seems to have fused these elements into action. Miners will contribute a day's wages and the company will help generously. Fr. Kollin may possibly have a certain station before long and may even have a self-supporting parish.

**STA meeting.** A regular meeting of the Sagada Teachers' Association is scheduled for August 9 at 12:30 P.M. at the high school building. The Right Rev. Lyman Cunningham Ogilby, Suffragan Bishop of the missionary district of the Philippines, will attend the meeting and will give an address to the teachers. All members of the STA are requested to attend the meeting. A lunch will be provided for by the teachers of St. Mary.

**Miss Johnson, head of the U.S.I.S libraries in the Philippines** addressed to the students of St. Mary's at morning prayers today. We are grateful to her for she has been handling us some magazines. She came to Sagada for a short visit. In her talk, Miss Johnson expressed her appreciation for the sights and improvements of our school since 1952 when she first came. Miss Johnson gave the 4th year Physics class an account of the "Mobile Library", a car which carries about one thousand books around for people in remote places to read and borrow. She hopes that the "Mobile Library" would be able to visit Sagada someday.

**The school sends its condolence to Mrs. Montoya,** her children and immediate relatives for the death of Mr. Montoya. He died last Monday evening after a long illness. Carmelita, who is at present a junior in this school and Oscar who was a 1953 graduate are two of the deceased children. The long illness of Mr. Montoya shattered Oscar's hopes of entering Medical College, and just as he was planning to enter the Philippine Air Force Pilot School. Our prayers are asked for him. May he rest in Peace.