

# The Sagada Postboy

The official publication of the students of Saint Mary's School, Sagada, Philippines.

## Issue Number 52

August 5, 1953

**At the S.T.A. meeting on Sunday**, August 9th, Bishop Ogilby plans to be present. It is hoped that all teachers of government and Mission schools will be present. The business meeting will begin at 11:30, lunch at 12:30. The place will be the Social Hall of St. Mary's School. Please come on time.

**Fr. And Mrs. Diman**, after seeing Sam take a ship to America, and a short vacation in Manila, are expected to be back tomorrow.

**After the monthly meeting of the Sagada Women's Auxiliary** on Sunday, there was White Elephant Sale. I hope every reader knows what this means, unlike the writer who thought that it would be the greatest fun to see a white elephant being sold. But from where? We had our prayers in church led by Sr. Mary Oliva. We went to the convent where our meeting was held. It was exciting to see the table filled with different kinds of things to be sold from the members. Some members were assigned to price the things then selling went on. Everyone bought what they wanted. /By Pascuala Cadiogan

**The 1953 model of haircut is very popular in St. Mary's School.** This model was introduced by the students from Baguio who came to study here. It is very pleasant to see some of the boys at St. Mary's having all the same style-cut. It is similar to the Japanese haircut. /By D. Abeya

**The Sisters at the Orphanage** are asking the boys at the dormitory for barbers to volunteer for doing the haircut of seven small boys. This is once a month and wages for the service will be arranged by the Sisters and the volunteers. We hope that it would not be similar to the Japanese haircut.

**Mrs. Herminia Monodon**, a widow with three children, was recently enrolled in the public school for the fourth grade. Her second child is also in the fourth grade. When the mother was asked why she wanted to go to school at her age, she said: "O want to learn how to speak English – yes or no." She said that she only reached the second grade but she had to stop because she had to take care of animals in the mountains. She was a classmate of Miss Esperanza Somebang in the first and second grades. /By Jane Abeya.

**Correction:** In the last issue of the Postboy, it was stated that the number of public schools in the municipal district is thirty-three. That is the number of government teachers. There are nine Sagada government schools.

**The next Council of Advice meeting** will be held on Tuesday, August 11 at 10:45 AM at Mr. Diman's Office. As usual the School Council meeting will follow that of St. Theodore's Hospital Council of Advice meeting.

**Little thieves caught by surprise:** One afternoon, seven of our young orphans got up from their nap while everything was very quiet and calm. They stole their way down to the pantry and found a can of sugar. Each one dug into the can and happily scooped a handful. A Sister who was suspicious thought that they were up to something. She tiptoed downstairs. It was a sight. Each one was smeared with sugar from the neck up to the head. Each child, plus Cyril, got a nice spanking and a bath.

**The Elementary Education Act of 1953** provides the restoration of Grade VII in all Philippine Schools and that compulsory education be imposed. Parents are supposed to enroll their children at the nearest public school when they reach the age of seven. Senators Pecson, Abada and Osias were responsible for this act. /By M. Gewan

**Quoted from the Constitution of the United Nations:** "Since wars begin in the mind of men, it in the minds of men that the defenses of Peace must be constructed."

**This morning's radio news:** Senator Robert Taft was laid to rest in Cincinnati yesterday. Senator Knowland of California is being groomed to succeed to the Republican leadership in the Senate.... Secretary of State John Foster Dulles arrived in Korea last night to confer with President Syngman Rhee about attaining lasting peace and the unification of Korea... Among the four United Nations POW to be released today by the Communists, 12 are Filipinos.... East German Railroad employees are on strike to demand better wages. (The Postboy would like to thank Mr. Lizardo Yodong for sending in this up-to-minute world news.)

**Augusto Cuning writes** from Antamok Mining Company: "I am sorry I sent you a note concerning my return to study. Unfortunately, I cannot afford to come to school this year. I still hope to continue my schooling sometime next year after earning some money. I am now working as a policeman of this company. Please keep my papers and card for next year's use."

**Last week,** three boys in their teens were hailed to court by the Chief of Police charged with the crime of stealing various articles belonging to eight students of St. Mary's School. The accused readily admitted to the acts imputed on them. When arraigned, they pleaded as charged. The case had been remanded to the higher court for further proceedings. The defendants will soon be brought to the Provincial jail to await trial during the next term of the Court of First Instance of the 2nd judicial District.

**St. Paul's School, Balbalasang is publishing the "Mail Bag".** The Postboy feels complimented that the general form is similar to ours with some added features. We are grateful for a copy of the third issue, which will be placed in the Library. Please send us the back issues and two copies of each new issue so that we can keep a complete file pasted in a scrapbook for our library. We wish the "Mail Bag" all success.

**A Record:** This issue of the Postboy was edited, typed and mimeographed in one hour and a half. It was ready for distribution at 4:45 PM