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BAGUIO CITY, BENGUET, AND THE REST OF THE CORDILLERAS, La Union ILOCOS Provinces

Pahayagang palabanan!!!

Mayor to Police: Arrest Jadewell attendants



Illegal signages - Now, the City Engineer admits, that these signages installed by Jadewell Parking Systems have no permit. The question now is, the City Engineer's Office, from the very start knew that these signages are illegally installed, how come they are not doing anything about it?

Baguio City- The Baguio City Police Office (BCPO) was directed by Mayor Bernardo Vergara to arrest Jadewell personnel who will continue in their clamping and towing operations without a deputation order from the DOTC.

This developed as the parking firm continued its operations despite the issuance of a cease and desist order by DOTC-CAR Director Alfredo Mondiguino and lately by Mayor Vergara himself.

In his message delivered last Monday, Vergara said that since Jadewell has already been advised to

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City Council seeks sanctions against illegal constructions

BAGUIOCITY—Members of the city council Wednesday pressed agencies concerned to impose sanctions against owners of illegal constructions in the city.

The body approved a resolution authored by Councilor Delfin Balajadia for this purpose.

The measure specifically pointed to on-going constructions at the entrance of Quezon Hill, Road 1 and its immediate vicinity which appeared to be not covered by a building permit.

The body also

agreed to include the on-going construction project at Engineer's Hill barangay which, according to Councilor Richard Cariño, has illegally occupied the road.

Councilor Elmo Nevada also suggested that the resolution also cover all illegal constructions all over the city.

In his proposal, Balajadia said he received numerous complaints from residents urging for investigations of the construction projects along said road which, according to the complaints, have

been causing inconvenience to the people.

Balajadia said proper sanctions should be imposed should these constructions proved to be illegal "to show the sincerity of the city government in imposing all laws particularly Department of Public Works and Highways Department Order No. 52 in relation to section 23 of Presidential Decree 14."

Balajadia enjoin the cooperation of the City Engineer's office, City Legal Office and other concerned agencies on the matter. *Aileen P. Refuerzo*

Amicable solution to Jadewell issue, sought

BAGUIOCITY—Mayor Bernardo Vergara last week expressed hopes for a diplomatic solution to the stand off between the city government and Jadewell Parking Systems Corporation saying nothing good will come out of the on-going tussle.

"We hope to settle this matter amicably because if we go on quarrelling and bickering and this issue reaches the courts, then this matter will drag on to the detriment of both the parties concerned," the mayor lamented.

The mayor said that as an initial step to the peaceful solution, members of the city local finance committee and auditors of Jadewell held initial meetings to thresh out issues on the payparking revenue-sharing scheme.

"We have asked Jadewell president Rogelio Tan for follow-up meetings to once

and for all to settle this issue on the unremitted shares of the city from Jadewell's revenues," the mayor said.

The city audit team, in an earlier report claimed that Jadewell has an unpaid account totaling P22,111,602 incurred from December 2000 to March 2002. The report said Jadewell failed to remit P4,508,323.06 as it only paid a total of P1,737,554.46 out of the P6,245,877.53 collectible for said period broken down as follows: P2,370,784.20 covering the pay-parking operations at Ganza restaurant and P3,875,093.33 covering all other streets except Ganza. Added to the unpaid amount were the penalties amounting to P209,044.45 as penalty for late remittance and P17,394,234.89 as penalty for unremitted city share.

Jadewell however contested the report claiming disparities in the accounts

stated by the local audit team.

"We hope that we can still reconcile these differences with the cooperation of both parties," the mayor said.

The mayor, however, said that the city's stand against Jadewell's clamping and towing activities still stands along with his directive to the city police to arrest parking attendants who will be caught clamping or towing vehicles without any sanction from the Department of Transportation and Communication (DOTC).

The mayor said he subscribes to the opinion issued last year by DOTC-CAR regional director Alfredo Mondiguig that clamping and towing activities are "beyond Jadewell's authority" as Jadewell personnel can not be deputized by the department because as per the law, deputation can only be granted to

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City all set for school opening

BAGUIOCITY—The city is all set for the school opening on June 16.

Mayor Bernardo Vergara said the city expects the opening of classes to run smoothly as concerned agencies have prepared contingency measures to contain the road crisis and peace and order problems expected during the school rush.

He said the police have mapped out traffic and anti-crime plans to prevent the expected traffic snarls and petty crimes that normally occur during the school opening.

School authorities, on the other hand, have also been pre-

pared to address the perennial problems facing the schools.

Vergara said that as in the past years, schools are confronted with problems on shortage of teachers, classrooms, books and even desks but these are handled effectively by the school authorities.

He said schools have been able to remedy these inadequacies ensuring that the learning process will not be compromised. To remedy the shortage in teachers and classrooms, some schools divide classes into shifts while late enrollees in high schools were requested to provide

their own chairs.

In the past years, the problem of big classes have been addressed as the two main public high school have decided to limit enrolment in each class at only 65 students, a breakthrough from the previous years' 75 students in one class. Those who were not accommodated in the main schools have been asked to enroll in the schools' annexes instead to avoid overcrowding.

"We are glad that our school authorities are culturally prepared to tackle these problems," the mayor said. *Aileen P. Refuerzo*

Legal measures sought to look into dubious land titles

BAGUIO CITY—The Office of the City Legal Officer, headed by Atty. Melchor Rabanes was asked by the City Council to immediately cause the filing of necessary administrative and civil charges to individuals and entities who were party to the issuance of fake land titles, tax declarations, and survey plans.

The Office of the City Prosecutor was also asked to create a Task Force to prosecute criminally, persons or entities responsible for the procurement and use of fake titles, which resulted to the damage or prejudice of innocent buyers.

This developed after the Task Force Titulong Malinis of the Land Registration Authority (LRA) have found out, that certain parcels of land in the City of Baguio have expanded beyond the

defined boundaries as contained in the land titles.

One land title that was found out by the LRA to have expanded from its original size of 501 square meters to 156, 296 square meters, and the other one expanded from its original area of 13, 000 square meters to 550, 000 square meters are TCT Nos. T-12826 and T-12827, located at Outlook Drive, and Dontogan. Both are registered under the name of a certain Gloria de Guzman.

In January last year, a certain Corazon Dizon, a claimant of a parcel of land allegedly owned by De Guzman, asked the Central Office of the Land Registration Authority to investigate the title certificates issued to de Guzman. Due to the expanded area of the coverage of the title,

the lot where Dizon's family lives was already being claimed as a property of De Guzman. She (Dizon) said she was surprised that the lot they occupied was issued a title without them knowing it.

Last October 18, 2002, in the LRA's report, they confirmed the earlier findings of the Regional Office of the Register of Deeds that the titles, and the survey plan were indeed illegally issued. In the undated letter of Regional Director Adelina Tabangin to Teofilo Olimpo, Deputy Public Land Inspector of the DENR, TCT Nos. T-12826 and T-12827 were declared void because they were not validated. Both lots were re-surveyed, due to the request of the alleged owner to be issued two new TCT's in

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Benguet declared under state of calamity

LA TRINIDAD, Benguet: The Provincial Board this week declared Benguet under the state of calamity.

Provincial Disaster Coordinating Council Chairman and Governor Raul Molintas briefed members of the *Sangguniang Panlalawigan* on the aftermath damages brought about by twin tropical storms "Batibot and Chedeng" that hit the country last week.

From an initial report amounting to P4.6 million worth of damaged agricultural produce which increased to P5.311 million and with the inclusion of affected infrastructures, mostly provincial road in the amount of P18.65 million, the consolidated damages now total P23.961 million.

The number of casualties also increased from a previ-

ous of one death and three injured persons in Itogon, Benguet, at least two more fatalities were added in the list.

Police report reaching the PDCC indicated that the victims were inside a shanty within the compound of a DENR-CAR project located at Mambolo, Tinongdan, Itogon when rains induced by tropical storm "Chedeng" that loosened the soils which caused big boulders to roll down hitting a retaining wall and eventually falling to the shanty where the victims were taking refuge. A certain Catherine Molina, 18 years old was the lone fatality while survivors were taken to the Benguet General Hospital for treatment. The three wounded were Jerry Terry 24, Maritess Terry, 19 and a certain

Benedic Gerosa.

The two casualties were certain Maria Eden Mosque, 42 years old and her daughter Angel, eight years old, both from Tuba, Benguet. They were victims of a mudslide at Camp 6, in the same municipality.

Based on the report submitted by the Office of the Provincial *Agriculturists*, Molintas disclosed that the losses directly incurred by 1,380 affected farmers involving 44,408 hectares of farm lands with estimated initial combined volume of 856,272 metric tons production were valued at P5.278 million. The estimated losses due to delayed delivery of vegetables to the market caused by the closure of main roads amounting to P32.682 million, bringing the total crop production lost to

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Ifugao gearing up for Gotad festival

L A G A W E , Ifugao - Ethnic dances, songs and games spread out into a five-day calendar will dominate this province's "Grand Gotad Festival" coinciding with the province's foundation anniversary on June 16 to 20 in this capital town.

With support from the National Commission for Culture and the Arts, the celebration revolves around a continuing cultural revival spearheaded by youthful Gov. Teddy Baguilat who was designated by President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo last year to lead the program to save and restore Ifugao's world-famous rice terraces.

The festivities will peak on June 18,

foundation day with an ethnic parade and street dancing, aside from a *baya* and *bakle* festival and the search for the "*Bugan di gotad*" or festival queen.

Defense Secretary Angelo Reyes will be the guest of honor and speaker while Agriculture Secretary Luis Lorenzo, will grace the opening parade and ceremony on June 16, according to the 36-year old Baguilat.

Day 1 will also feature an agricultural fair showcasing the farm products and ethnic implements of the province, together with a skills olympics, job fair, "battle of the bands" musical concert, a fireworks display and, yes, an evening performance by the Sex

Bomb Dancers.

Mumbaki (native priests or shamans) will start the following day a series of rituals with the *hogop* rite to inaugurate the provincial livelihood center in Lamut town. Also slated on June 17 are a shootfest at the Camp Joaquinb Dunuan, a "Search for Ifugao Achievers" at the public plaza here and an ethnic ensemble at the DBHS Auditorium.

The province will go country on June 19 with a rodeo competition at the Lagawe Central School grounds while the ethnic games continue at the public plaza.

Co-sponsored by the Department of Tourism and Smart, Gotad will end on June

Indigenous People's desk may be established soon

LA TRINIDAD, Benguet: The National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP) favors the establishment of "Indigenous Peoples Desks" in various government line agencies on a limited scale.

This developed as the Regional Development Council recently approved a resolution enjoining government institutions to create IP desks that would attend to the concerns and issues of the cultural minority groups in all aspects of their human development as mandated by Republic Act No. 8371 of 1997 otherwise known as the Indigenous Peoples Rights Act.

NCIP Regional Director lawyer Leilene Marie Carantes-Gallardo opined that the creation of IP desks

should be implemented in selected government offices that would directly affect this sector.

Gallardo said while majority of the population in the region is composed of minority groups and that she is grateful to the RDCC's support to the NCIP mandate, "it is not necessary to undertake the proposal on a wide-scale" as there are only government offices whose thrust are directly affecting the IPs.

Among those she mentioned include the Department of Labor; Department of Agriculture; Department of Environment and Natural Resources; and the Department of Agrarian Reform.

Gallardo explained that since the functions of IP desks

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are parallel to the tasks of the NCIP providing protection and respecting the rights of the IP, majority of their concerns are limited to job protection, economic aspects and ancestral domain rights.

Citing an example, the lawyer-director said creation of IP desk in the DOLE is significant in the light of respecting the rights of the members of the minority group in employment, "assuming them equal opportunity and to prevent any possible discrimination in hiring workers."

She added that DA's role is crucial to the economic and agricultural activity of the IPs ensuring the provision for the necessary support that must be in place. The DENR, according to them plays a very significant func-

Tobacco farming, a sunset industry

B A N G U E D , Abra - The days of the Virginia tobacco industry are numbered. This was the emphatic statement of Abra Congressman Luis Bersamin Jr during the initial airing of a radio program "Ti Lehisador (The Legislator) last Friday morning over DZPA.

The increasing health care awareness worldwide which includes the banning of cigarette smoking was cited by the congressman as one of the tell-tale signs that tobacco farming is on the wane.

20 with combat sports competition at the plaza. /Ramon Dacawi

Bersamin noted that in the recent Virginia tobacco season, buyers refused to buy low grade tobacco leaves. In the past, all tobacco leaves regardless of class category were bought.

The phasing out of tobacco farming will surely affect the whole of the Ilocos provinces who have prospered from the industry. Republic Act 7171 which mandates the payment of excise tobacco tax amounting to millions of pesos to Virginia tobacco producing areas has greatly helped in the development of said places.

Relative to this,

Bersamin said government should start studying that agricultural crop could be a good substitute for "green gold" - a popular name of the Virginia tobacco.

On the other hand, the phasing out of this industry will be good for the environment especially in the regeneration of the forest. It is a fact that the Virginia tobacco industry has caused massive deforestation in the Ilocos Region including Abra. This is because newly gathered Virginia tobacco leaves have to be cured in barns before these are sold. /Prescillano Bermudez (PIA Abra)

Now he's talking

The Mayor, recently, has made surprising moves regarding the Jadewell Parking Systems clamping and towing activities.

Surprising because the Mayor has been the biggest obstacle in the City Council's move to rescind the MOA entered into by the City Government and Jadewell. In fact, he vetoed the City Council resolution rescinding the said agreement, but for the first time, the City Council had overridden the Mayor's veto.

EDITORIAL So that it came as a surprise when the Mayor told Jadewell to cease and desist from its towing and clamping activities. And it is more surprising when he went to as far as telling the police to arrest any Jadewell personnel who violates his order.

It makes us think and ask, is this move of the Mayor meant only to appease the Baguio residents and voters who are becoming more and more dissatisfied with the way things are going in this city? Is this meant to gain him popularity in preparation for the 2004 elections?

Whatever it is, we must admit that this is one popular move by the Mayor. But isn't it always like this, that politicians come knocking at your door only when election time is near? Isn't it always that politicians become amiable, approachable and pro-people when they need something from you?

We hope the people of Baguio have learned their lessons. We hope this time, they realized that traditional politicians who are concerned with nothing but themselves and their pockets, that they only go back to the people in times like this.

But one thing's clear though. The Mayor's move all the more gave credence to the points being raised by the oppositors for this pay parking system.

Another thing. The Mayor's point in his cease and desist order is that he wants to implement what is in the MOA. In this case, he should implement it to the letter. He should make sure that Jadewell should install and operate the number of pay parking machines as per MOA; Jadewell should dispatch parking attendants only in the areas where it is not feasible to place parking machines; Jadewell should stick to the streets contained in the MOA (but this again is being contested), and so on and so forth. The point here is, the Mayor should not be selective in which provisions to implement and which not to. Otherwise, the MOA should be rescinded altogether.

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More doggone observations

BY FREDDIE J. FARRES

Having revealed during my previous column that I count myself among the millions of dog lovers world wide, allow me to just share some of the admirable qualities of our pet dogs. Although, I am not drawing any sharp conclusions on dog eaters in relation to love for dogs for I happen to personally know a number of dog lovers who really treat their pet dogs with serious tender loving care and at the same time still do not say no, when offered dog meat, and they say for as long as it's not their dog(s) that will be butchered, it's ok. Well, to each his own, the point is, there is now a law, The Animal Welfare Act, that prohibits the slaughtering and maltreatment of dogs and other animals, among others. Cultural practices and other reasons should not be made an excuse to continue this inhuman and barbaric practice. The law already allows for certain exemptions like for purposes of religious practice and/or rituals. In fact it is not only our country that consumes dog meat. Some of our Asian neighbors also do, like Vietnam, Korea, China, but the difference there is it's a delicacy (more expensive than regular viands) whereas in our end, dog meat consumption is one simply brought about by a cheap supply situation and poor man's demand.

The demand for cheap meat is there and dog meat simply happens to be cheap. In fact in China, they serve dog meat (from pure bred Saint Bernard's) packed in frozen attractive containers, and the way the dogs are slaughtered are even worse. They are skinned alive. The reason for this, as they claim, is the effect of the adrenalin secreted by the dog during intense pain has a good effect on the quality of meat. Occurrence of this sort in China does not surprise me for they happen to eat almost everything in that country, done in so many creative ways. But in our case, dog meat consumption is simply a matter of economics. The meat is cheap, that's it. If dog meat were more expensive than pork, do you think the demand for dog meat would still be the same?

It's a good thing that recent news published in a national broadsheet and a local paper, reports of a heroic act of this dog named Dagul, who forewarned his master of an impending landslide and thus perhaps saving the life of his master.

There have been countless exploits on the importance of dogs like in the field of guard work, rescue works, bomb/drug sniffing etc... I cannot overemphasize the number of human lives that have been saved by dogs, and here are some people who have no qualms at all and continue to mercilessly butcher innocent dogs.

Unlike other animals, if we must compare, a lot of dogs are capable of exceptional intelligence. In fact, a lot of dogs are more intelligent than a lot of people. But most of all, dogs are capable of loving.

I am sure you must have noticed that when you reach your home, among the first if not the first to greet you with a welcome and wagging tail and loving attitude is your pet dog. This display of affection and love is not often seen with other four legged animals. In terms of loyalty, a trait that is becoming quite rare to find in humans is built in with dogs. Read more on the exploits of those K-9 law enforcers, what they say on how their partner dogs have, on so many occasions taken a bullet for them. How many people do you think will take a bullet for you? I'm printing part of a book review that was sent to me through e-mail by a friend in the US.

"Something to think about: In their book Shadows of Forgotten Ancestors, Carl Sagan and Ann Druyan tell of actual laboratory experiments in which monkeys were forced to choose between electroshocking other monkeys and doing without food themselves. Almost all of the monkeys went hungry for up to two weeks rather than shock others. "These monkeys-who have never gone to Sunday school, never heard of the Ten Commandments, never squirmed through single junior-high school civics lesson- seem courageous in their moral grounding and their resistance to evil....If the situation were reversed, and captive humans were offered the same deal by macaque scientists, would we do as well?"

Well I think most of us would know the answer to the question, in fact

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ENTREPRENEWS

**Special Charcoal And Vinegar:
New Industrial Products
From Bamboo**

BY TRINIDAD CAYADING

Did you know that special types of charcoal and vinegar could be produced from bamboos?

Traditionally, bamboo is known for building and house construction material in the Philippines, "China, Japan and Laos and for making paper in India and candle in China. Recently, bamboo has also become a source of beverages, cosmetics, cleaners, soil fertilizers, plant growth regulator and batteries in Japan. The latest development is the special charcoal and transparent distillate "vinegar" produced from thick-walled bamboo species. The charcoal and vinegar produced are said to have special industrial and specialty uses.

Yamagishi Industrial Co., Ltd. Of Japan has succeeded in extracting colorless, transparent vinegar from bamboo without using the burner. The bamboo vinegar raw liquor is obtained by recovering and cooling the vapor generated when combusting thick-stemmed bamboo (*Phyllostachys pubescens*) with a carbonization furnace. The raw liquor is sterilized, deodorized and refined to become colorless and transparent. Since no burner is used, vinegar liquor is free from kerosene impurities and safe and quality vinegar is assured.

Charcoal and vinegar have several uses and are known for their domestic purposes. Bamboo charcoal can be used for cleaning the air and purifying water. It also absorbs odors in refrigerators. It can maintain soil alkalinity, and can serve as a useful material in the electronic industry.

On the other hand, according to Mr. Kenji Ueyama, a Japanese scientist, the vinegar produced from destructive distillation of bamboo in charcoal making can be used in the treatment of allergies and sore throat as antiseptic, skin and hair conditioner and cleaner. The vinegar produced as a by-product of carbonization can keep plants and flowers last longer and deodorize bathrooms. It can also sterilize salmonella, Enteritis vibrio, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *E. coli*, and other bacteria.

It is high time to tap other potential uses of bamboos. Based on the preliminary experiments conducted by the Forest Products Research and Development Institute (FPDI) and Ueyama, Philippine bamboo species such as Bayog (*Dendrocalamus merilianus*), solid bamboo (*dendrocalamus strictus*), and kauayan tinik (*bambusa blumeana*) are capable of producing good quality bamboo charcoal and light distillate (vinegar).

To promote this technology in the Philippines, the Department of Science and Technology - Philippine council for Agriculture, Forestry and Natural Resources Research and Development (DOST-PCARRD), Eco-systems Research and Development Bureau (ERDB), and FPRDI packaged a proposal on the production and use of industrial bamboo charcoal and light distillate (vinegar).

Engr. Belen Besana of FPRDI has developed specialized equipment for the production of bamboo charcoal and vinegar. The equipment is made of stainless steel, and it has a capacity of 54 kilo of sample bamboo materials. On a continuous operation, the machine can produce charcoal and light distillate after two days with a maximum temperature of 345oC. However, she said that it is still on an experimental basis and no optimal result has been developed yet. But she is planning to seek financial support from international funding agencies to continue the operation and to further

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all you have to do is just look around, see all the ongoing chaos most especially in different levels of government, and perhaps you can draw your own conclusions and start thinking if indeed the human race is more superior than some species of the animal kingdom? Ironically, some say, life nowadays is a dog eat dog situation. I beg to disagree for I know for a fact that dogs do not eat their fellow dogs. Perhaps a more apt term would be man eat man?

Or what about the expression that says "para kang animal"? Again, I disagree. Perhaps a more apt expression should be "para kang tao". As I have often said, after all, admittedly, we humans have done and commit-

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SHUT OUT OR SHUT IN

The Teacher and the Student

BY MALOU T. MABALOT

... For the young and old teachers, there's so much to learn in teaching. Everything is not stable in this world. It's the same in teaching and learning - latest innovations, current trends, new strategies and methodology, addition, deletion and revision of the annual curriculum are expected to improve the educational system.

Through the years, my goal as a teacher has changed very little. Effective teacher empower students to accept responsibility for the learning process.

However my experience as a teacher has become more and more diverse, my philosophy continues to manifest itself through new and exciting vehicles.

Teaching for almost nine years, I discovered that the learner needs to be taught to organize his thought and his work. The individual skills of literacy and how to combine them as well as strategies for successful learning! He also needs to learn to believe in himself. By the time the learner reaches the specialist teacher, he has already experienced failure - one of the most important tasks for the teacher, therefore will be to re-build his damaged self-esteem and convince him that he can succeed. The teacher can do this by teaching him in the way he can learn, so that his confidence is built by his new experience of success. One guiding philosophy that helps to create a truly interactive situation that actively engages students in the learning process is. If a learner can't learn the way we teach, then we must teach in the way that he can learn and then extend his abilities - learners need to develop their skills, a series of little skills built up into one big skill therefore teaching must be multi-sensory, structured, thorough, active learning and relevant teaching. Choosing what appears to be the best from diverse sources, system or styles helps to refresh teaching with useful adaptations that makes teacher management enthusiastically mobilize and experience an integrated thematic approach to active learning. Teachers are urged to respond in a multitude of ways as learners immerse challenges, simulations, debates and discussions, having fun as both the teacher and the student bridge the gap between understanding what they - (students) have learned and applying it to their own real-life settings.

analyze the results obtained.

Establishing bamboo plantations for charcoal and vinegar production will provide various benefits and opportunities. Deforestation rate is very alarming because of rampant and destructive fuel wood gathering and charcoal production. To lessen the pressure on the remaining forest resources, there is a need to look for an alternative nontimber material like bamboo. This will also provide and generate employment among forest occupants, thus helping them shift their attention from the traditional wood charcoal making and destructive use of forest resources.

Furthermore, since bamboo has a short maturity period compared to other reforestation species, it will hasten reforestation in the country. Planting bamboo will also stabilize stream banks and minimize soil loss caused by erosion. It will also help in the carbon sequestration, air pollution reduction, and improvement of climatic condition.

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refrain from its clamping and towing and operations but continues to defy his order, it is high time that the BCPO should take a move. Also in a memorandum/Supt Francisco Manalo dated May 30, the Mayor said "If these activities are still being undertaken, without proof of the required deputation order from the said national government agency (DOTC-CAR), you may cause the apprehension and prosecution of erring parking attendants, for violation of RA 4136, otherwise known as the Land Transportation and Traffic Code."

Meanwhile, in a letter of Jadewell CEO Romeo Tan to the DOTC-CAR, he appealed to the director not to succumb in what he branded as a "grandstanding" move of the members of the City Council.

Tan said they tried to secure the necessary deputation permit from the DOTC, but they were not given a deputation. Only employees of the DOTC and other concerned government offices like the PNP can be deputized to enforce traffic rules and laws.

In the same letter Tan admitted that it is impossible for them to ever obtain deputation, but still, they can collect, clamp and tow, as the Civil Code allows them to do so. He cited particularly Article 1183 which states: Impossible conditions, those contrary to good customs or public policy and those prohibited by law shall annul the obligation which depends upon them. If the obligation is divisible, that part thereof which is not affected by the impossible or unlawful condition."

In an interview with Councilor Braulio Yaranon last Wednesday (June 4), the alderman said Jadewell itself admitted that it is impossible for them to ever be given a deputation. The Ordinance that they were trying too hard to implement is void from the very beginning. He also said they misinterpreted the said provision of the Civil Code.

It is recalled that since the resumption of

Now that the City Mayor ordered Jadewell to stop their towing and clamping activities, will he also order the said business entity to erase the nomenclature "City of Baguio" including the penalties contained in the contested City ordinance in their tow truck? This sign gives an impression that the illegal activity is with the consent of the city.

- The Junction file photo

Jadewell's towing and clamping activities, in March this year, the issue on whether it is legal for them to clamp and tow vehicles, and to collect parking fees, once again, cropped up.

Further, the accounting team especially created to look into the Jadewell accounts revealed that their expenditures were bloated, so that it has deprived the city of its share in the parking firm's income. Moreover, the City Council said the agreement between Jadewell and the City Government is illegal. Jadewell again denied this. They insist that the former City Council confirmed their contract. Their activities as they claim, are legal.

Furthermore, Tan had also accused the entire City Council of grandstanding. He said members of the City Council are using their position to pressure him not to order employees of the DOTC to assist them in their towing and clamping activities. "It is our hope that you will not succumb to the pressure and overture of the City Council to use you as one of their instruments of persecution and oppression in their continuing effort to dispossess us of our business and take over the management and operation of the parking system for political reasons," Tan said in his letter to DOTC dated May 29, 2003.

These statements of Tan, Councilor Yaranon said is far from reality. The truth is he, and his colleagues at the City Council are not grandstanding, nor do they want to take over his business, because it is the City Government of Baguio who should be in-charge of the city's streets in the first place. The issue on Jadewell had been going on for years now. There is no basis, for Tan to say that they are grandstanding, Yaranon added.

In a related development, the City Council, in its regular session last Wednesday, directed the City Engineers Office to remove all traffic signs installed by Jadewell. As per certification issued by the CEO dated May 26, 2003, no "Sign Permits" were issued to Jadewell Parking Systems.

Councilor Delfin Balajadia said, "tolerating these acts of Jadewell Parking Systems is a bad precedent to other similar acts which may be undertaken by other individuals, entities or institutions."

Meanwhile, Councilor Braulio Yaranon late this week, was charged by Jadewell with Grave Oral Defamation at the City Prosecutors Office. Yaranon said he is yet set to submit his counter-affidavit to the prosecutor in-charge, Gloria Agunos./RAO

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government personnel whose functions are directly related to traffic law enforcement

Over at the city council, the body last Wednesday approved the proposed resolution of Councilor Delfin Balajadia "urging Jadewell to immediately remove all parking, no parking, loading and unloading signs installed" all over the city without any permit from the city government.

Balajadia made the move after securing a certification from the city engineer's office that the signs installed by Jadewell were not covered by sign permits.

The alderman said that the "tolerating Jadewell's act" serves as "a bad precedent."/Aileen P. Refuerzo

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accordance with the Subdivision Plan.

But when the LRA requested for a copy of the Subdivision plan from its Micrographic and Computer Division, it turned out that they do not have a record of the subdivision plan. Even the Subdivision and Construction Division of the LRA said that a subdivision plan does not exist for the two titles.

Finally, the Land Projection System of the LRA, which was tasked, to see if there was an overlapping or duplication in the issued titles said that as per their investigation, the lots, which were plotted in their Municipal Index Map, have shown that the lots have indeed expanded.

Councilor Braulio Yaranon, proponent of the resolution, said it is illogical that an area, although converted into a subdivision will expand in area. Obviously, there are people who connived for the issuance of fake titles. The councilor said someone must be held liable for the issuance of these fake documents. He said he hopes that the Committee on Lands headed by Councilor Nicasio Aliping would work expeditiously to give justice to those who bought lots that actually do not exist.

Meanwhile, in order to avoid legal questions that may arise should the City Legal Office take the move on the filing of necessary charges, as it is the Solicitor General who should be in charge, the CLO should take the move and ask the Solicitor General to deputize them instead.

Meantime, Delizo and other affected parties were advised by the LRA to file the necessary petition in court for the cancellation of the titles./RAO

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Barangay Update: Trancoville's Gulayan sa Barangay, and Eco-Justice

Uniqueness, ingenuity, and responsibility. These are just some of the traits that would best describe past and present officials of Trancoville barangay headed by Punong Barangay Albert Della.

One of the most significant projects worth looking into is their Gulayan sa Barangay and the Eco-Justice.

Gulayan sa Barangay

The Gulayan sa Barangay, according to Punong Barangay Della is not really a new project. It was implemented about a year ago but it was not successful, because they were not yet familiar with the proper way on handling newly sprouted plants. Eventually, the plants withered.

But they never gave up. The officials of Trancoville are now venturing into another try. Through the help of some personnel of the Department of Agriculture, they first tried planting the seedlings in a small container. After 15 days, the newly sprouted plant was transferred to a bigger container.

When the seedlings have fully sprouted, they will be brought to the barangay's park, where they will be transplanted and then sold to the residents who prefer organically grown vegetables.

Eco-Justice

The officials of Trancoville recently approved

a resolution, called the Eco-Justice. This project or idea is the officials' own version a greening movement in the city of Baguio. Punong Barangay Della said erring parties who are referred to the barangay's Lupong Tagapamayapa, after amicably settling their differences, shall be required to plant at least two trees. One shall either be at the Busol watershed or an area at Dontogan barangay, and the other one shall be at the barangay park.

The Eco-Justice was conceptualized, due to the mounting observation that erring parties, after agreeing to settle, don't really go by with what was agreed upon. Oftentimes, both parties end up ignoring each other. The time and effort of the barangay's Lupong Tagapamayapa is put to waste, Della added.

The Eco-Justice is one way of reminding them (erring parties) that they too, have a responsibility.

Comprehensive sports development program

The glaring truth

is there, Punong Barangay Della said. The youth, most especially, have been exposed, a long time ago to vices.

In order to avoid, if not to stop the youth from engaging in activities that might ruin their future, Punong Barangay Della and 25 other barangay chairmen all over the city thought of a comprehensive sports development program.

The main objective is to take them away from vices, and to foster camaraderie among the youth. Della also said that the Comprehensive Sports Development Program might also serve as venue for the discovery of new and better athletes.

These projects are truly worthy of praise, but according to Della, he does not want politics to come into the picture. When it comes to concept and ideas, the officials are more than willing to share. After all, it is also for the improvement of other barangays. But when someone steals their idea and get all the credit for it, then it is not worth sharing, he said./RAO

10 Most Outstanding Punong Barangay Search

The search is ongoing for the Ten (10) Most Outstanding Punong Barangay Chairmen of Baguio City 2002-2003. The presentation and awards night will be held on June 17, 2003, at the Baguio Country Club Ballroom, 7:00 p.m. with DILG undersecretary Hon. Alipio "AL" Fernandez as the guest of honor and speaker. This event was annually held by the Rotary Club of Metro Baguio since 1993. Flutz Amon, this year's chairman of the search said they had been conducting interviews and evaluation without prior notice to the 72 barangays with incumbent punong barangay recommended by the Office of Barangay Affairs headed by Mr. Laurence Adube. Criteria for judging the Ten (10) most outstanding punong barangay are as follow: Establishment, organization and promotion

of cooperative enterprises that improves the economic condition and well being of residents, maintenance of barangay facilities and other public work project (10%); prevention and control of the proliferation of squatters and mendicants (10%); provision for the proper development and welfare of children (10%); prevention and eradication of drug abuse, child abuse, and juvenile delinquency (10%); preparation of the annual Executive and Supplemental budgets in coordination with the Barangay Development Council (10%); administration of the K a t a r u n g a n Pambarangay (10%); regulation on the use of multi-purpose halls, multi-purpose pavements spaces, barangay markets and other similar facilities (5%); organization of community brigades, Barangay Tanod or Community Service Units (5%); organization of an emergency groups for the maintenance of peace and public order or occasions of emergency or

calamity within barangay (5%); enforcement of laws and regulations relating to pollution and protection of the environment (5%); conduct of an annual Palarong Barangay (%); submission to the S a n g g u n i a n g Panglungsod suggestions or recommendations for the improvement of the barangay and welfare of the residents (5%). Candidates should save at least completed a term of one (1) year service in his barangay. Each one of ten (10) chosen punong barangay will receive one thousand pesos cash, plaque of appreciation and certificates.

Ismael Basabica, Jr, this year's president of the Rotary Club of Metro Baguio and members are grateful for the support expressed by our city officials Congressman Mauricio Domogan and Mayor Bernardo Vergara for this endeavor./Malou T. Mabalot

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P5,311,287.00. The total production cost of damaged crops.

Highly affected plantations, their volume in metric tons and production costs were as follow: potato – 225 (MT), PP1.685 million; cabbage – 238.2 (MT), P1,331 million; Chinese cabbage – 102.4 (MT), P513,024 and carrot – 66.99 (MT) in the amount of P489,696.90.

The two typhoons caused unstable and eroding slopes including falling rocks and slides in various portions of the Benguet's road lines. The towns of La Trinidad and Tuba incurred the highest value damaged road networks valued at P3.3 million each, followed by Kapangan amounting to P2,150 million and Mankayan in the amount of P1.8 million. Others were follows: Itogon-P1.5 million, Kibungan and Tublay with P1.25 million each, Atok – P1.2 million, Sablan – P.8 million, Bakun – P.7 million, Bokod – P.6 million, Buguias – P.5 million and Kabayan in the amount of P300,000.

Molintas said that while the SP declared the whole province under the state of calamity, various local government units may follow suit, declaring their respective municipalities as calamity area./Tina Sales (PIA-Benguet)



Trancoville Barangay officials at the entrance of their "Tree Park". The park, aside from the variety of trees, also has a picnic ground, all for the taking of every Trancoville resident.

REPUBLIC OF THE
PHILIPPINES
REGIONAL TRIAL
COURT
FIRST JUDICIAL
REGION
BRANCH 4
BAGUIO CITY
FAMILY COURT OF
BAGUIO CITY

IN THE MATTER OF
CHANGE OF NAME
OF ESTER ABAD
ESTERA TO MYRNA
ABAT ESTERA WITH
CORRECTION OF EN-
TRY

ESTER ABAD
ESTERA, ALSO
KNOWN AS MYRNA
ABAT ESTERA,

Petitioner,
-versus-
THE LOCAL CIVIL
REGISTRAR OF
BAGUIO CITY,
Respondent.

**SPECIAL PRO-
CEEDINGS CASE
NO. 1320-R**

X-----X

ORDER
This is a veri-
fied petition through
counsel, praying that
after due notice,
proper publication and
hearing, the Honorable
Court issue an Order
directing the respondent
Local Civil Registrar
of Baguio City to change
the name of petitioner
from ESTER A. ESTERA
to MYRNA A. ESTERA;
to correct the date of
birth of petitioner from
October 12, 1947 to
September 21, 1947;
to correct the family
name of her mother
from ABAD to ABAT;
and prays for such
other reliefs and
remedies just and
equitable in the pre-
mises.

Petitioner alleges,
among others the following:
that she is of legal age,
Filipino married to
TELFO ORTALEZA,
with residence and
postal address at No.
27 Regional Street,
Pacdal, Baguio City,
while respondent is
the Local Civil Registrar
of Baguio City,
with office address at

Health Center
Building, Baguio City,
where they may be
served with summons;
that she is one of
the legitimate children
of spouses Federico B.
Estera and Encarnacion
Abat of Baguio City;
that she was born on
September 21, 1947,
at Baguio City and such
fact of birth was duly
registered with the
Office of the Local Civil
Registrar of Baguio City
as evidenced by her
Certificate of Live Birth;
that in her Certificate
of Live Birth, the name
appearing therein is
ESTER A. ESTERA and
she was born on
October 12, 1947;
that however, she has
been using the name
MYRNA A. ESTERA as
evidenced by her
Baptismal Certificate,
School Diploma,
Marriage Contract,
and employment Record;
that she is known to
her relatives, friends
and co-employees as
MYRNA A. ESTERA
and that the date of
birth be corrected
from October 12, 1947
to September 21, 1947;
that the family name
of her mother Abad
as appearing in her
Certificate of Live
Birth be change to
ABAT, the true family
name of the mother
of petitioner; that she
was never charged
of any offense nor
convicted of any
crime.

Finding the petition
to be sufficient in
form and substance,
IT IS HEREBY
ORDERED that the
hearing of the said
petition be held before
this Court at its
Session hall, Hall of
Justice, Baguio City
on October 2, 2003 at
8:30 o'clock in the
morning, and all
interested persons may
appear at the afore-
mentioned date, time
and place, and show
cause, if any why the
said petition should
be granted.

Let this Order
be published at the
expense of the peti-
tioner in The Junction
Newspaper, a lo-

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REGIONAL TRIAL
COURT
FIRST JUDICIAL
REGION
**OFFICE OF THE
CLERK OF COURT
& EX-OFFICIO
SHERIFF**
Baguio City

SOCIAL SECURITY

cal newspaper of
general circulation in
Baguio City and
Northern Luzon, once
a week for three (3)
consecutive weeks
before the aforesaid
hearing, the first pub-
lication be made not
later than June 1,
2003.

Furnish copies
hereof together with
a copy of the petition
and its annexes the
Office of the Solicitor
General, Makati City,
the Local Civil Registrar
of Baguio City; and
the Prosecutor of
Baguio City, the
petitioner and counsel.

SO ORDERED

In the City of
Baguio, Philippines
this 4th day of Decem-
ber, 2002

(SGD) AMADO S.
CAGUIOA
Presiding Judge
May 31, June 7, & 14,
2003

SYSTEM,
Mortgagee,
-versus-
S P O U S E S
BIENVENIDO &
FATIMA TANGAN
Mortgagors.

**FORECLOSURE
CASE NO. 224-03-B
EXTRA-JUDICIAL
FORECLOSURE OF
REAL ESTATE
MORTGAGE UNDER
ACT 3135, As
Amended**

X-----X
**SHERIFF'S NOTICE
OF SALE**

Upon extra-judicial
petition for sale
under Act 3135, as
amended, filed by the
SOCIAL SECURITY
SYSTEM, hereinafter
referred to as the
MORTGAGEE, for the
satisfaction of the ob-
ligation of SPOUSES
BIENVENIDO and
FATIMA TANGAN,
hereinafter referred
to as the MORTGAG-
ORS, to satisfy the
mortgage indebted-
ness which as of the
filing of the petition
now amounts to PHP
481,302.32 including
stipulated interests,
penalties, but exclud-
ing, attorney's fees,
sheriff's fees and
other expenses of
foreclosure, the Clerk
of Court and Ex-Offi-

cio Sheriff, thru her
deputy, hereby an-
nounces that on
June 24, 2003, at 10:00
o'clock in the morn-
ing or soon thereaf-
ter, will sell at public
auction to the highest
bidder for cash and
in Philippine cur-
rency, at the lobby of
the Hall of Justice
Building, Baguio City,
the following prop-
erty with all its im-
provements existing
thereon, to wit:

**TRANSFER CERTIFI-
CATE OF TITLE No.
T-35359 City of
Baguio**

"A parcel of
land (Lot 68-A-3-B-3,
Psd-1-06061, being a
portion of Lot 68-A-3-
D (LRC) Psd-153182,
L.R.C. Rec. No. ___),
situated at Res. Sec.
"J", City of Baguio,
Island of Luzon.
Bounded on the NW,
along line 1-2 by Lot
68-A-3-B-2, of the
subdivision plan; on
the NE, along line 2-
3 by Lot 68-A-3-C

(LRC) Psd-153182; on
the E., along line 3-4
by Lot 68-A-3-1
(LRC) Psd-153182;
on the SE., along line
4-5 by Lot 68-A-3-D
(LRC) Psd-153182 and
existing Road Right of
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Beginning at a point
marked "1" xxx to
point of beginning
containing an area of
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AND NINE (509)
SQUARE METERS."

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bidders are hereby
enjoined to investi-
gate the property and
the encumbrances
thereon if any there
be.

Baguio City,
Philippines, this 26th
day of May, 2003.

(sgd) DELILAH N.
GONZALES-MUNOZ
Clerk of Court VI &
Ex Officio Sheriff

(sgd) JAMES D.
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May 31, June 7, & 14,
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Any interested and qualified member desiring to run for directorship in the BENECO Board may secure the needed forms from the Institutional Services Department with office at Alapang, La Trinidad, Benguet.

Deadline for filing of certificates of candidacy is on **July 11, 2003** at 5:00 o'clock in the afternoon. Only members of the cooperative whose applications for membership have been approved by the BENECO Board of Directors on or before April 26, 2003 are qualified to participate in this forthcoming Board elections.

Exercise your right as a member of BENECO. Cast your vote during the district elections on July 26, 2003.

MANAGEMENT

Republic of the Philippines
MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT IN CITIES
FIRST JUDICIAL REGION
Branch III
Baguio City

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

WHEREAS, the complainant through counsel, filed a verified Complaint with this Court on March 11, 2003, quoted in toto as follows:

CLEOTILDE G. BALDERAS

Plaintiff,

-versus-
SPS. POLICARPIO & IRENE HAMADA
Defendants.

Civil Case No. 12062

For:
UNLAWFUL DE-TAINER & DAMAGES

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"Plaintiff thru undersigned counsel respectfully alleges:

1. Plaintiff is of legal age, single, Filipino and a resident of No. 12 Abanao Extension, Baguio City.

2. Defendants spouses are likewise of legal age, Filipinos and residents at Petersville Subd. Camp 7 Kennon Rd., Baguio City where they may be served

with summons and other court processes.

3. Plaintiff is the owner of a residential lot and a two-storey residential house thereon located at defendants' aforementioned address, containing an area of two hundred sixty six (266) square meters and covered by TCT No. 78469 of the Register of Deeds of Baguio City, a photocopy of which is attached as Annex "A" and made an integral part hereof.

4. The said residential house and lot was previously owned and titled in the name of herein defendants under TCT No. T-49819 of the Register of Deeds of Baguio City, but was subsequently foreclosed by the Philippine National Bank (PNB) which acquired another title TCT T-75464 cancel-

ing defendants title and which latter title was cancelled when it sold the same property to herein plaintiff. Photocopies of defendants' and PNB titles and the DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE are hereto attached as Annexes "B", "C" and "D", respectively, and made as integral parts hereof.

5. The similarly situated residential lot previously owned by defendants, covered by TCT T-49820, subsequently acquired by PNB under TCT T-75465 and consequently sold to herein plaintiff who was issued TCT T-78470 is now under the occupation and possession of the herein plaintiff. Photocopies of said titles are hereto attached as Annexes "E", "F" and "G", respectively.

6. By virtue of the aforementioned sale, the ownership and possession of said parcel of land together with the improvement thereon consisting of a two storey residential house was transferred

to herein plaintiff.

7. In two (2) separate letters dated July 23, 2001 and August 27, 2002, defendants were requested by PND to vacate the premises but which request were both turned down and disobeyed by the former. Photocopies of said letters are hereto attached as Annex "H", and "I", respectively.

8. The withholding of possession and occupation by the defendants over the residential house and lot of plaintiff in spite of her subsequent pleas and demands is unlawful and prejudicial to her rights and interest as the title owner thereof.

9. The reasonable rental for the occupation of the premises should not be less than P15,000.00 a month.

10. That by reason of the unlawful withholding of possession and occupation by the defendants over the premises in question, the plaintiff was constrained to file this action to enforce her rights and interests engaging for said purpose the services of the undersigned counsel to whom she paid the amount of P35,000.00 as his acceptance fee and the amount of P1,500.00 of his every appearance in court during the trial of the case.

11. Subsequent efforts to amicably settle the case before the barangay lupon proved futile as evidenced by a Certificate to File Action which is hereto attached hereto as Annex "J".

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, it is respectfully prayed that the Honorable Court, after submission of the parties' respective position papers to render a DECISION in favor of the plaintiff by:

A. Ordering the defendants and other

persons staying with them in the premises to vacate and surrender peacefully in favor of the plaintiff the residential house and lot, covered by TCT T-78469 located at Petersville Subd. Camp 7, Kennon Rd. Baguio City.

B. Ordering the defendants to pay plaintiff the amount of P15,000.00 as monthly rental during the unlawful occupation for the premises from August 27, 2002, the date they were given the final notice to vacate the premises and until they surrender possession of the same to plaintiff.

C. Ordering the defendants to pay plaintiff the amount of P50,000.00 and as by way of attorney's fees.

Plaintiff prays for such other reliefs as may be just proper and equitable under premises.

Baguio City, 11 March 2003.

WHEREAS, summons and a copy of the complaint was issued for service on the defendants' spouses Hamada but the Sheriff's Return of Service shows that said defendants could not be served in spite of diligent efforts and several attempts made for the reason that their given address is always closed during service of summons even during night time.

WHEREAS, on May 6, 2003, a Motion for Leave of Court that service be effected upon defendants by publication was filed by plaintiffs

counsel;
WHEREAS, on May 19, 2003, an Order was issued by the Honorable Court granting that Summons be effected upon defendants by publication.

NOW, THEREFORE, you the defendants, Spouses POLICARPIO and IRENE HAMADA with last known address at Petersville Subd., Camp 7, Kennon Rd., Baguio City is hereby summoned thorough this medium of publication and is therefore required to file with the Clerk of Court, Municipal Trial Court in Cities, Branch 3, Baguio City, your responsive pleading and/or Answer to the above-quoted Complaint within SIXTY (60) days from the date of the last publication, serving at the same time, a copy of your responsive pleading and/or Answer upon complainant's counsel, ATTY. LIBERATO V. TADEO, Room B-207 Lopez Bldg., Session Rd., Baguio City, and your failure to do so within the period prescribed will enable the complainant to take judgement against you and demand from the Court the remedies and relief prayed for in the Complaint.

WITNESS the Hon. NELSON F. LIDUA, SR. Presiding Judge of this Court, this 4th day of June, 2003, at Baguio City, Philippines

(sgd) ARMANDO G. YDIA
Clerk of Court
June 7, 14, & 21, 2003

Republic of the Philippines
Department of Transportation and Communications
LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD
Cordillera Administrative Region, Baguio City
FRANCISCO LAVARIAS
Applicant
Case No. 98-BC-1075
NOTICE OF HEARING
This is an application for the Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freight on the line: BAGUIO PLAZA-SAN CARLOS HEIGHTS EXTENSION Via Quezon Hill and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.
Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on June 17, 2003 at 9:00 A.M. at the LTFRB Office, Pacdal, Baguio City which date and time the applicant shall formally submit his/her/ their evidences.
At least ten (10) days prior to the above date, the applicant/s shall publish the NOTICE once in one (1) weekly newspaper of general circulation in the Cordillera Administrative Region.
Parties opposed to the granting of the application must file their written opposition supported by documentary evidence on or before the above date, furnishing a copy of the same to the applicant/s and if they so desire, appear during the hearing.
This application shall be acted upon the Board on the basis of its records and the documentary evidences submitted by the parties unless the Board deem necessary to receive additional documentary and/or oral evidence.
WITNESS, the Honorable ALFREDO P. MONDIGUING - Regional Director this 5th day of June 2003.
(SGD)ATTY. BRENDA D. POKLAY
Hearing Officer

Republic of the Philippines
Department of Transportation and Communications
LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD
Cordillera Administrative Region, Baguio City
EMILIA PICART
Applicant
Case No. 99-01-543
NOTICE OF HEARING
This is an application for the Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freight on the line: BAGUIO PLAZA-TAM-AWAN Via Quezon Hill and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.
Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on June 17, 2003 at 9:00 A.M. at the LTFRB Office, Pacdal, Baguio City which date and time the applicant shall formally submit his/her/ their evidences.
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This application shall be acted upon the Board on the basis of its records and the documentary evidences submitted by the parties unless the Board deem necessary to receive additional documentary and/or oral evidence.
WITNESS, the Honorable ALFREDO P. MONDIGUING - Regional Director this 3rd day of June 2003.
(SGD)ATTY. BRENDA D. POKLAY
Hearing Officer

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By:



Linis Gobyerno

Pinagkakaperahan kaya yung mga asong nahuhuli at dinadala sa city pound na siyang paglabag rin sa Animal Welfare Act?

Attention : Dr. Brigit Piok, City Veterinarian

Hinggil sa nakaraang expose ng pahayagang ito tungkol sa mga aktibidad ng isang banyagang grupo (animal welfare group daw sila), ang Political Animal Lobby (PAL) at sa dahilan na isa sa mga advocacy ng Linis Gobyerno ang makita na isasatupad ang batas na Animal Welfare Act, minarapat natin na humingi ng ilang mga karagdagang impormasyon mula sa City Pound na pinangungunahan ni Dr. Brigit Piok.

Nakalulungkot ang naging reaksyon ni Dr. Piok, sapagkat hanggang sa ngayon ay hindi pa niya binibigay ang mga detalyeng ating hinihingi. Mayroon tayong hinala at agam-agam na marahil ay mayroon siyang tinatagong kalokohan o posibleng anomalyang kasalukuyang nagaganap sa kanyang tanggapan. Ito marahil ay sa aspeto ng pag-dispose ng mga asong kanilang nahuhuli o na turn-over sa kanila ng mga iba't ibang law enforcement agency.

Hinihiling lamang natin ang bilang (official number in writing) ng mga asong namatay sa poder ng city veterinarian. Kung bakit naman yun lamang impormasyong iyon ay hanggang sa ngayon, mula ng ating verbal request ay hindi pa maibigay sa atin bagama't ipinakita sa atin ang mga summary files, at ang gagawin ng lamang nila ay ipa-photocopy ang mga ito.

Mababasa ang liham na ating pinadala sa kanya sa pahinang ito ang hinggil sa ating request. Kung

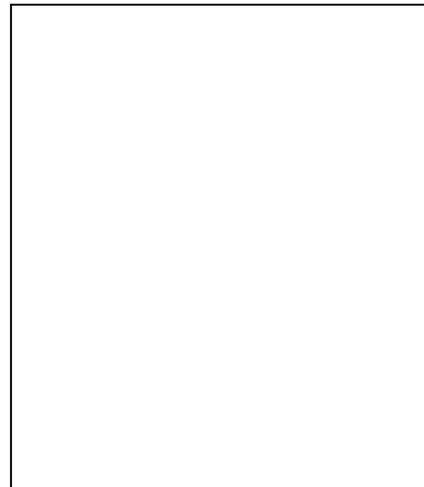
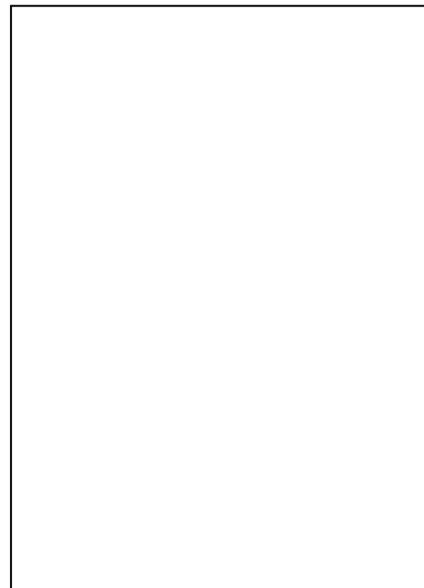
saan kayo na mismo ay magkakaroon ng inyong duda.

Sa dakong ito ay nais lang muna natin kayong iwanan ng ilang komentaryo hinggil sa bagay na ito.

- ◆ Ayon kay Dr. Piok ang kabuuan ng mga asong nai-turn over ng mga law enforcement ay 389 live dogs, ang 30 dogs ay siyang napa-adopt, at ang 20 ay siyang natitira pa sa city pound, kung kaya't ang 339 ay mga namatay! Alam naman natin kung magkano maibebenta ang isang live dog, at ito ay mabibili sa range ng halagang P400 hangang P550, depende sa laki ng aso. Kung halimbawa ay ating susumahin ang halaga ng mga namatay (as alleged by Dr. Piok) ang kalalabasan ng halaga ng mga asong namatay ay 329 dogs X P450.00 (average selling price) per dog = P148,050.00, may kalakihang halaga rin.

Subalit ang mas importanteng tanong para sa amin ay talaga bang namatay ang mga asong ito? At kung talagang namatay nga ang mga ito ay bakit ang daming namamatay na aso?

- ◆ *Isa pang nakapagtata kang aspeto ng monthly impounding report ng city pound ay ayon kay Dr. Piok hindi kasama sa summary of monthly impounding report ang*



mga na turn over na aso mula sa mga law enforcers . Muli natin gustong malaman, kung bakit hindi kasama sa monthly impounding report ang mga na turn over na aso. Bakit, hindi ba na impound din

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naman ang mga asong ito?*

Nais lang nating ipaalala sa kung sino mang ahensiya ng gobyerno (hindi po ito babala, paalala lang po) hinggil sa istilo ng Linis Gobyerno. Gawin nating halimbawa ang Office of the Ombudsman na siya mismong kinontra ng Linis Gobyerno (bagama't isa tayong CPU noong panahon na iyon) ito ay sapagkat hindi natin kayang makipagsabwatan sa kanila at lalong-lalo ng hindi natin kayang maging isang ipokrito katulad ng nasabing opisina. Kaya't ating kusang loob na isinauli ang ating CPU accreditation, at lantaran na kinontra si dating Ombudsman Desierto, sapagkat hindi natin masikmura ang pagka-ipokritong gawain ng isang opisinang naatasan na maging number one graft watchdog samantalang nauuna rin sa katiwalian at kadalasan pa ay yung sinasabing bantay salakay ika nga.

Ganoon din ang aming pananaw hinggil sa tungkulin ng City Veterinary's Office kasama rito ang tungkulin nila na manguna sa pagpapatupad ng Animal Welfare Act at hindi ang maging isang bantay salakay na sinasabi. Malinaw na isa sa layunin ng kasalukuyang Animal Welfare Act, maliban sa pagpigil ng cruelty to animals ay ang pahinutin ang pagkain o yung sinasabing mailagay sa food chain ang mga aso. Sana ay mali ang ilan sa ating mga hinala hinggil sa city pound. Subalit kung ang maging resulta ng ating research and verification ay binaboy at winalanghiya lamang ng City Veterinarians Office ang Animal Welfare Act, hindi tayo mag-aatubiling sampahan ng reklamo ang mga kinaukulang opisyaales na responsable sa pag-labag sa batas.

Police nabbed bingo operator at sinkhole

Police investigators filed last week charges against the operator and a bet collector or a bingo parlor set up at the so-called Rabbit Sinkhole within the Tabora Park along Magsaysay Avenue.

City police director Supt. Francisco Manalo, in the report to Mayor Bernardo

Vergara last Tuesday, said that a case of operation of illegal gambling has been filed before the city prosecutor's office against one Edgar Bacali, who reportedly confessed working as bet collector.

"Likewise, a case of violation of City Ordinance of Baguio Nr.

14-V (Operating Business without Business Permit) is also being prepared against Allan Perez, the identified operator of the bingo venture," Manalo said.

He disclosed that a team headed by Senior Insp. Elmer Ragay, Chief of the investigation branch of

the police office, arrested Bacali during an operation last Monday afternoon.

The team confiscated 75 pieces of plastic bingo balls and closed the parlor.

Mayor Vergara earlier directed Manalo to check on reports of on-going bingo and "pula-puti" gambling operations in the area. **Ramon Dacawi**

Jueteng resurges as police arrests ten violators

Baguio City-Jueteng has made a comeback in the city as operatives of the Baguio City Police Office (BCPO), Intelligence Division were able to arrest ten suspects for alleged violation of PD 1602, or the Anti-gambling Law.

Last Tuesday, June 3, the police received a report that the collection of jueteng is ongoing at a sing-along bar along Naguillian Road. To determine the veracity of the report, PS/Insp. Elmer Ragay, head of the Intelligence Division, ordered his men to check. At around 5pm of the same date, police operatives wit-

nessed the actual collection of jueteng bets. At that moment the police, after identifying themselves, arrested ten individuals namely Gerald Reyes, Michael Abansi, Vicente Antonio, Rey Salazar, Caluya Aguilar, Roberto Ganzon, Jaime Legion, Ruben Orlina, Eddie Valdez, and Reynaldo Caraig all are working as revisador for jueteng.

The suspects are presently detained at the Baguio City Jail, upon instructions of Prosecutor Evelyn Tagudar for their alleged violation of PD 1602, or the Anti-Gambling Law.

The police were able to confiscate from

the suspects cash bets amounting to P5, 193.25, and assorted jueteng paraphernalia.

Meanwhile, Police Regional Office-Cordillera headed by Regional Director Victor Luga was not able to attend the City Council's regular session to answer some queries regarding the resurgence of jueteng, not only in the city, but of the entire region as well. The director said he had an earlier commitment.

It is recalled that none other than DILG Secretary Jose Lina himself said that if jueteng would continue to proliferate in the country within one year, he would resign.

A year has passed, until now, jueteng continues, albeit short-lived ones.

The City Police, on the other hand, denied that this illegal numbers game is rampant. City Director Manalo said that if ever there are jueteng operations here, more often than not, the operations are short-lived, or the guerilla type of operation. The "revisadors" often conduct their draws in areas outside the city.

But the director said they will continue in their drive in eradicating illegal gambling in the city, not only jueteng but other forms of illegal gambling as well. **RAO**

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RAQUEL MANAIT

Applicant

Case No. 98-BC-1525

NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an application for the Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freight on the line: BAGUIO PLAZA-TAM-AWAN Via Quezon Hill and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.

Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on June 17, 2003 at 9:00 A.M. at the LTRFB Office, Pacdal, Baguio City which date and time the applicant shall formally submit his/her/their evidences.

At least ten (10) days prior to the above date, the applicant/s shall publish the NOTICE once in one (1) weekly newspaper of general circulation in the Cordillera Administrative Region.

Parties opposed to the granting of the application must file their written opposition supported by documentary evidence on or before the above date, furnishing a copy of the same to the applicant/s and if they so desire, appear during the hearing.

This application shall be acted upon the Board on the basis of its records and the documentary evidences submitted by the parties unless the Board deem necessary to receive additional documentary and/or oral evidence.

WITNESS, the Honorable ALFREDO P. MONDIGUING - Regional Director this 4th day of June 2003.

(SGD) ATTY. BRENDA D. POKLAY
Hearing Officer

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DANILO ALMIROL - Vendor

NICOLAS ABAD, JR. - Vendee

Case No. 91-CAR-757/2003-CAR-515

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WITNESS, the Honorable ALFREDO P. MONDIGUING - Regional Director this 3rd day of June 2003.

(SGD) ATTY. BRENDA D. POKLAY
Hearing Officer

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ber with a skit, triggered the pledging session with an individual donation of PSOO, saying the amount came from his piggy bank which he had cracked open for the day.

The youth stole the thunder from the adults with a commitment from City Councilor Leonardo Bayan, the city's Sangguniang Kabataan chair to continue mobilizing SK members for the campaign and a closing message from 13-year old Tam Jewel Tibaldo.

The girl represented Baguio's children on World Environment Day last year in receiving the Global 500 Roll of Honour for Outstanding Achievement from the United Nations Environmental Programme in recognition of the kids' lead role in the "Eco-Walk" program that the BRM, the city and the media launched in 1992.

Tam Jewel closed the ceremonies with a reminder against Baguio's backsliding in its environmental programs after it was catapulted to the Hall of Fame as the country's cleanest and greenest highly urbanized city.

"We should be worthy of that title," she stressed.

The launching program opened with a ritual prayer from the Maryknoll Environmental Sanctuary, through Maria Teresita Canilao, focusing on nature's four energies -land, air, fire and water.

On the controversial news reports, based on a World Bank report, that Baguio registered the most polluted air among urban centers in the

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ted such acts unimaginable to be committed on humans by fellow humans.

Again there is this other comment we often hear like "it's a jungle out there". This reference I suppose was taken and referring to the jungle in the wilds. Again, not exactly an appropriate comment, unless we refer to the human jungle society has created that is inhabited by man, for if you come to think of it, there seems to be more order and humanity in the jungle, in the wilds. Have you not noticed that some species of animals have to prey on their fellow animals in order to survive? Compare it to the human jungle that society has created and you have a jungle wherein you often see that man despite of his having more than enough to live with, to go by (enough wealth to last for several generations, certainly beyond surviving) without any moral qualms would not hesitate to f__k up his fellow men in more ways than one, done in the interest of amassing more, more, and more wealth.

Should I be asked for an answer on the question posed on the above book review, I think the answer is clear.

country, Barongan pointed out that the total suspended particulates monitored at the lower end of Session Rd. did not represent the average local air quality.

Engr. Reyes added that except for that portion of the central business district other areas monitored showed Baguio's air "is good". He also noted air quality at lower Session Rd. passed standards when Mayor Bernardo Vergara initiated a one-way traffic flow down the main street earlier this year.

Despite the mayor's efforts, the experiment was aborted after business establishment owners inconvenienced by it demanded a return to the two-way scheme./Ramon Dacawi.

**ARASAAS KEN
KARASAKAS****...from p.15**

Maipapan ti Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome wenna SARS, saan la ketdi a dapat nga iyaleng-aleng dagiti eskuelaan ti warning ti gobierno tapno laeng maliklikan ti panagsaknap daytoy a sakit.

Ania la ngatan ti mabalina pagbanagan ti maysa nga eskuelaan no maaddaan daytoy ti SARS victim! Sapay koma ta saan a mapasamak dayta ditoy Cordillera.

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No agtuloy met ti mapagsasaritaan a drug testing para kadagiti estudiante, ado la ketdi ti masakalan a drug users.

Ket anianto ngay ti maipakat nga addang wenna maipataw a dusa tay estudiante a mapaneknekang nga agar-aramat gayam ti maiparit a droga?

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Narigat met ti biag-estudiante nangruna dagiti menor de edad pay laeng a nalaka maiwawawa gapu iti kinaawan wenna kinakurang pay laeng kadagiti prinsipiada iti biag.

Kayariganda ti simrek ti maysa a rukib nga ado ti kumamanganna iti uneg, ket saanda a masinunoo no ania ti rumbeng a surotenda.

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Adda naaramid a demolition kadagiti pagtagilakuan iti Upper Kayang St. iti asideg ti Baguio City Police Office. Nairana nga adda idi sadiay ni Kag. Arnold Gapuz gapu iti trabahona a mangkita kadagiti pakapaspadekan ti streetlights kas project ti AZKCO Barangay. Nakanggeg la ket ngarud ti nagaget a kagawad kadagiti di nasayaat a sao manipud maysa kadagiti napasaktan gapu ti demolition.

"Masaya na kayo!"

"Dayta met ti kayatyo ta no mapapanaw kami ditoy addan barangay hall-yo!"

"Agpalakpakkan!"

Nasaktan ni kagawad kadagiti nanggegna a sao. Ngem awan ti kinaagpaysano dagitoy a nanggegna.

Numan pay pagaayat unay ti Barangay ti maaddaan ti barangay hall, saan a pulos a plinano dagiti agdama nga opisiales ti barangay ti agapatakder ti nasao a pasdek iti nasao a lugar.

Adda dagiti naisumite ti barangay a resolution iti City Hall ngem awan kadagiti linaon ti nasao a dokumento ti nangdakamat ti na-demolish a lugar kas makiddaw a pagdiananto ti barangay hall.

Saan la ketdi a naawatan ti nagisawang kadagiti sao ken kagawad ti linaon ti Demolition Schedule Notice a pinirmaan ni Eng'r Nazita Bañez ken ti impaulog ni Mayor Bernardo M. Vergara nga Administrative Order 67, series of 2002, segun iti Notice ken Order, illegal structures dagiti na-demolish, ket kasapulan a maikkat dagitoy para iti plano ti city government ken Bureau of Jail Management and Penology a mangipasdek ti Minor Detention Center iti nasao a lugar.

Numan pay maawatan dagiti barangay officials ti karirikna dagiti naawan ti negosio gapu ti demolition, saan koma a rumbeng nga **INDIGENOUS** unay ni Kag. Gapuz.

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tion to the rights of the IPs to their ancestral domain while the DAR would complement the mandates of these agencies.

Meanwhile, Administrative Officer Nora Chulipa issued a call to all the beneficiaries and scholars of the NCIP-Education Assistance Program to visit their office to claim their financial grant covering school years 2001-2002 and 2002-2003.

Chulipa said of the total 3,044 scholars under the NCIP-EAP, only about 50% have claimed their checks.

The distributions were as follows: Abra-275; Apayao-395; Baguio-184; Benguet-586; Ifugao-486; Kalinga-674 and Mountain Province with 395.

The financial grant ranges from P3,500 to P5,000 per scholar per semester for both degree and non-degree courses./Tina Sales (PIA-Benguet)

**PINUPUNA AT
PINAPANSIN****...from p.15**

ito maawat ng sinuman sa kanyang jueteng operation.

Siyempre mga kapatid kung si Romy Lajara at Bonito Singson ay patuloy na namamayagpag sa kanilang jueteng operation ay lalong hindi naman makapapayag patalo si Bong Pineda.

Ang lahat ng ito mga kapatid, ay hindi maaaring pasinunglingan ni Sec. Lina at PNP Chief Gen. Ebdane dahil may balitang kumpleto

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naman umano sa kaniyang obligasyon ang lahat ng jueteng lords na nabanggit kina Lina at Ebdane.

Aba, mga bosing totoo ba ang lahat ng mga ito? Ang mga walang hiya, wala talagang tigil sa pagpapalaganap ng illegal na operasyon ng jueteng, kung sabagay nagmana sa ama nilang demonyo.

DILG. Sec. Joey Lina wala ka talaga! Pulos kalang salita pwee!

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Its joke time!

May mag-inang buwaya na nasa ilalim ng tulay gutom na gutom na ang anak na buwaya kayat nagsabi ito sa inang buwaya.

BABY BUWAYA: Inay, gutom na gutom na ako. Kakainin ko ang unang tao na magdadaan sa tulay na ito.

NANAY BUWAYA: Sige anak.

BABY BUWAYA: (Nang Makita ang isang pari na tatawid sa tulay) Inay, Inay kakainin ko na ang isang ito.

NANAY BUWAYA: Huwag anak, mabait yan, pari iyan! Nagtuturo yan tungkol sa mga pangaral ng Diyos! Tiisin mo muna and gutom mo. Hintayin mo na lang ang susunod na dadaan sa tulay.

BABY BUWAYA: (Nakita ang isang teacher na patawid sa tulay) Inay, gutom na ako talaga, kakainin ko na ang isang ito.

NANAY BUWAYA: Huwag anak, mabait yan nagtuturo ng mag bata yan para maging matalino, hintayin muna lang ulit ang susunod.

BABY BUWAYA: (Matapos makita ang isang pulis na patawid ng tulay) Inay, inay, gutom na gutom na ako talaga hindi ko na palalagpasin ang isang tao talagang kakainin ko na ito.

NANAY BUWAYA: Anak ulol ka ba? Mas buwaya pa sa atin ang hayop na yan eh! Kakainin mo?



The 54th Multiple District 301 Philippine Lions State Convention held at Calrk, Angeles City - Lion delegates of the Baguio City (Host) Lions Club in a souvenir photo after the long parade they participated in. L-R: Wearing the District 301-C uniform T-shirts are Mark Cortez, PDG Dennis Sy, Jackie Acoba-Ver, Dr. Joanne Balderas, Eddie Claridad, President Bernard Batatian, Dr. Ma. Imelda Ulep, Douglas Ang and Eugene Fernandez. Not in photo are Past District Governors Mariano Ang and Peter Go, Dr. Raul Padilla, Dr. Ruben del Rosario, Dean Restituto Ayson, Lawrence Umila and incoming President Peter Ng.

Number-coding suspension during typhoons sought

BAGUIOCITY – Councilor Reinaldo Bautista Jr. last week proposed another amendment to the city’s vehicle number coding ordinance this time for the scheme’s outright suspension during times of natural calamities like typhoons and earthquakes.

In his proposed resolution, Bautista stressed the need for automatic suspension of the scheme during pressing times to prevent inconvenience and ensure public safety.

A provision of Ordinance No. 1-2003 or the number coding ordinance states that the measure “shall in no case be suspended except through administrative order issued by the city mayor under the following conditions: in response to natural calamities or public disturbance; and to allow the observance of major official celebrations or similar activities sponsored or co-sponsored by the city government for a limited duration or spe-

cific period.”

But Bautista said that “due to the unexpected and unfortunate happening of natural calamities such as typhoons and earthquakes, particularly during non-office hours, the city government of Baguio through the city mayor cannot immediately suspend the (scheme), thereby causing inconveniences and danger to life and property of the public.”

If approved, the measure will mandate the outright suspension of the scheme during the occurrence of the following: typhoons of signal number one and higher as determined by the Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration, and earthquakes of any intensity.

The period of the temporary suspension will depend upon the length of the occurrence of the emergency situation and will terminate upon the issuance of the city mayor of an administrative order publicly declaring the end of the state of emergency.

Other proposed modifications remain pending for study by the city council, among which those submitted by Mayor Bernardo Vergara based on the suggestions gathered from stakeholders in the tourist and trade, professional, motorist and commuters and traffic and transport sectors in the city.

The proposed alterations are:

- Reversion to the limited area of coverage (the original area covered by the number-coding experiment adopted through Administrative Order No. 398-1992);

- Expansion of the exemption coverage of the scheme such that important sectors are also given rightful recognition of their transport necessity like the funeral processions, medical practitioners responding to distress calls, tour groups visiting the city for the very first time, etc); and

- Integration of other concerns that the city council may deem essential to strengthen the disciplinary sanctions provided in the ordinance.

The city council is expected to tackle the mayor’s proposal in its succeeding sessions.

Earlier, Councilor Elmer Datuin proposed to amend the ordinance particularly section 5 of the area of coverage. Datuin’s recommendation was to reduce the area of coverage by excluding from coverage the following route: Circle-Governor Pack Road up to Rotunda Session Road up to Rotonda Upper Session to the junction of Military Cut-Off Road.

In the ordinance in effect since March 26, the areas covered by the scheme are roads, streets and alleys located within the perimeter line which is defined as follows:

“Naguilian Road from the junction of Bokawkan to the junction of Abanao St. – Abanao St. Ext. to the junction of Yandoc St. – Yandoc St – Legarda Road to the junction of Marcos Highway – Marcos Highway from the junction of Legarda Road to BGH Circle – Kennon Road from BGH Circle to the junction of Military Cut-Off Road – Military Cut-off Road to Military Circle – South Drive from Military Circle to Teacher’s Camp Road-M. Roxas Road to Trancoville Bridge – Bokawkan Road (including part of Magsaysay Avenue below the Flyover) from the junction of La Trinidad Road and Trancoville Bridge to the junction of Naguilian Road.”

It must be noted that the roads comprising the perimeter line are not covered by the scheme./Aileen P. Refuerzo

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BCSI to install its new set of officers today Environmental group walks for cleaner air

Baguio City – The Baguio Cultural Society, Inc., a non-government organization with programs and activities focused on its members welfare will conduct a simple induction ceremonies of its new set of officers today, June 8, 2003 at the Church of Resurrection Function Hall. The elected officers were the following: (Ret.) Col Alejandro Layagan, President; (Ret.) Capt. Vicente Buaquen, Vice President; Rev. Fr. Alejandro G. Abad, Board Secretary, ; Ms. Fely Lingbaoan, Ass't. Secretary.; Dr. Salvadora C. Serrano, Treasurer;

Ms. Florence D. Baucas, Ass't Treasurer, Mr. Tito A. Dictaan, Auditor; and the Press Relation Officer, Ms. Trinidad A. Cayading.

The Board Members who will also join the induction rite are as follows: Jorge Banayos, Eulalio Austin, Sr. Elmer Sayan, Alfredo Anaen, Ms. Florida S. Raquel, Ms. Estrella D. Batoon, Ms. Zenaida B. Abarquez, Ms. Leonila Tibaldo, and Martin Sagudin,

Cong. Mauricio G. Domogan, who is the Consultant/Adviser of this organization since it was founded on 1988 will

grace the occasion as the Inducting Officer and the Guest of Honor and Speaker.

Meanwhile, as part of the BCSI commitment to its members, will conduct the Pre-Membership Seminar on Cooperative. This is in line with its plan to organize and establish a Multi-purpose Cooperative for the socio-economic development growth of its clientele.

For those BAGOS who wants to join the BCSI family, please contact or text these Cell Nos. 09202438490 (Trin)/09176620721 (Tel) T.A. Cayading

Over hills, over dales, some 1,000 citizens Thursday morning marched through city streets for cleaner air, the environment and fun.

With some sweating after negotiating the roller-coaster seven-kilometer route among the city's pines in about an hour, the hikers wound up at the Camp John Hay chapel and cooled down with a waft of refreshing Baguio air triggered by a revelation that their city's air quality is better than actually reported earlier in the national dailies.

The good news on World Environment Day came from Engr. Rodolfo Reyes, air quality management section chief of the regional Environmental Management Bureau. "Tests have shown that the air quality in the city, even in the central business district, has always remained within a tolerable level," Reyes said.

That set the tone for the launching of a campaign for clean air by the Baguio Regreening Movement led by former City Prosecutor Erdolfo Balajadia, Baguio Midland Courier Editor-Publisher Cecille Afable and Environment and Natural Resources Regional Director Isaias Barongan.

Balajadia, who also serves as chair of the Regional Multi-Sectoral Forest Protection Council, admitted he was pleasantly surprised by the big number of marchers who drew more participants along the winding route.

Baladia spearheaded the walk and clean-air campaign launching to mark the 15th anniversary of the BRM founded by Mines and Geo-Sciences Bureau Director Horacio Ramos and steered for 13 years by Bishop Ernesto Salgado before his

transfer to the Catholic Diocese in Laoag the other year.

Environmental-ist-journalist Baboo Mondoñedo, who presided over the launching, explained it is aimed at generating popular support in more reforestation programs by tapping various agencies and individuals, including the youth who will become Eco-Warriors advocating better motor vehicle maintenance to reduce smoke emissions.

She said the campaign will be partly supported by the World Bank through its small grants facility. In response, Philex Mines, through Redempta Baluda, pledged P2,500 while the local Girl Scout Council contributed P1,000 to the campaign.

Six-year old Willy Jake Casionan, whose Cordillera Theatre Group provided the intermission num-

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Stigma, misconceptions hinder gov't campaign vs. tuberculosis

Tuberculosis will remain a top health concern in the Philippines unless symptomatics are encouraged to come out and seek treatment and myths and misconceptions about the disease are corrected.

Department of Health records show that about 75 Filipinos succumb to TB daily despite the availability of the Directly Observed Treatment Short-Course chemotherapy, or DOTS, the treatment method most recommended by the World Health Organization for TB.

TB is the fourth leading cause of death among Filipinos and ranks sixth among the leading causes of illnesses in the country. In terms of the numbers of TB cases, the Philippines is seventh worldwide and second in the WHO Western Pacific Region.

A study commissioned by ReachOut Foundation

International revealed that the widespread prevalence of myths and misconceptions on the disease, as well as lack of awareness of prevention and symptom recognition all contribute to the high TB incidence in the country.

According to the ReachOut study, stigma is a major deterrent in the government's campaign against TB as symptomatics fear social isolation and discrimination at the workplace once they are tested positive of TB.

As a result, they refuse to seek treatment and dismiss the symptoms as ordinary viral infection. This puts the people around the patient in danger of contracting the disease and spread it to others, too.

Aside from the stigma, myths and misconceptions about TB also hound Filipinos.

ReachOut has listed down some of

the most common myths:

TB can be cured only in a hospital. Fact is, TB can be cured even at home. A patient doesn't have to stay in or keep coming back to a medical facility to be cured of TB. With the support of a caregiver (usually a member of the family) treatment of a TB patient can be smoothly carried out at home.

A TB patient is no longer contagious only after six months of medication. No, a TB patient can no longer infect others after three weeks of proper treatment. This is a common misconception that usually alienates the TB patient from the rest of the family.

If medications are taken by a patient according to instructions of a physicians, the spread of infection can be prevented in a matter of three weeks.

A person will be cured of TB after two

to three years of medication. No, it takes only six months of proper medication for a TB patient to be cured. With proper medication and administrations, a TB patient can be completely cured after six months because the treatment will kill all the TB bacteria and will keep the patient from becoming sick again.

The most effective test for TB is through X-ray of the lungs. No, the most effective test is sputum examination. A smear on the chest X-ray may be suggestive of TB but a sputum examination is the only way to confirm the infection. There were cases when a person's X-ray result shows lung shad-

ows but the sputum is negative of tubercle bacilli organisms.

ReachOut Foundation, through a grant from the US Agency for International Development, is currently conducting a Nationwide Tri-Media Campaign on Tuberculosis, specifically in stamping out the stigma associated with the disease and correcting myths and misconceptions.

Part of the effort is to underscore the importance of family support for the TB patient during the treatment course under the DOTS, and build public trust for the government health centers and their capability to treat TB cases.

The government

adopted the DOTS in 1996 under the National Tuberculosis Program. At present, DOTS is available in 66 of the 77 provinces. There are also about 3,000 TB diagnostic facilities all over the country.

Although the success of TB treatment in the Philippines significantly improved since the DOTS implementation, figures remain to be a cause of alarm. Aside from 75 TB deaths daily, it is estimated that there are 200 TB positives in every 100,000 Filipinos.

There are also about 250,000 new TB cases reported per year, with two-thirds of the afflicted not seeking professional treatment. /ReachOut Foundation

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katarantaduhan at malaking anomalya ng boom truck na inyong binili, eto na naman, mayroon na namang bagong boom truck akong nakita ah! Ano na naman ito Mr. Concio, may gastos ba uli ang lungsod dito? Tama na Mr. Concio, tamaan ka na ng hiya, kayo ng amo mong si Bosing-Bergara na hindi na makakaupo sa ano mang pwesto maging Mayor o Tongressman, itaga mo sa bato yang sinasabi ko Mr. Concio. Hindi na iboboto ng mga tanga est'e taga Baguio yang amo mo na 'yan. Natuto na ang mga taga Baguio.

PRANGKAHAN TAYO Mr. Concio, ayaw mo ba, i-suggest natin sa konseho na palitan na lang ang pangalan ng opisina mo. GSO pa rin pero imbes na General Services Office ay **GAHAMAN** at **SWAPANG OFFICE** na lang?

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Raid sa gawaan ng bola-bola est'e bolahan ng tengwe- Pagbati sa kamakailang Jueteng raid ni Pol. Senior Insp. Elmer E. Ragay. Kung ganyan ba lagi ang istilo ng ating mga pulis, mga opisyal sa mga PNP na nagsasagawa ng raid at paghuli sa mga juetengero, eh di mababawasan ang mga nag we-we-teng.

Nagsagawa ng isang raid nitong June 3 (mga alas singko ng hapon) sa may Anthony's Karaoke Bar ang tropa ni Pol. Senior Insp Elmer Ragay. Kabilang sa mga nag-raid ay sina PO3 June F. Corpuz, PO3 Reynaldo N. Buan, PO3 Cesar N. Nabusan, PO3 Alfredo A. Gabio, PO2 Eugene C. Melendez at PO2 Zoilo C. Collado. Ayun, huli sa akto ang nagsasagawa ng bolahan. Sampung katao na kanilang inaresto. Kalaboso na, may kaso pa. Oo nga pala mga SIR, talaga bang bolahan ng tengwe ang inyong nadatnan-baka naman gawaan ng bola-bola o pish bol yung inyong na-aktohan, he!he! Biro lang mga SIR! Dapat mga SIR araw-araw ang inyong pagsagawa ng raid, para mabawasan ang paglaganap ng tengwe. At bakit naman sa isang karaoke bar ginagawa ang bolahan (sabagay mas ok habang nagbobola nagsi-sing along pa) at bakit naman alas singko pa lang ng hapon nagbobolahan na, napaaga yata (baka naman mahabang bolahan kaya inumpisahan ng maaga), nagtatanong lang po mga SIR.

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Pasugalan sa Tabora park tumigi, pero may istraktura pa- Bakit anduon pa ang istrakturang binggohan na pasugalan? Bakit hanggang ngayon ay hindi pa tinatangal ang nasabing istraktura? May balak pa kayang ituloy at buksan itong muli? Ayon sa isa nating TB (Taga Bulong) kaya raw tumigil ang nasabing pasugalan ay kinakapos raw ng pondo pang patong, pambayad at pam-bigay sa mga panalo. Totoo kaya ito? Ayon pa sa isa nating TB sangkot daw ang isang Judge ng RTC na siyang isang protector ng nasabing binggohan, maliban sa dalawang konsehales na ating binunyag ang kanilang initials noong nakaraan nating kolom.

Ayon pa rin sa isa nating TB masyado raw napipikon si Mayor sa mga Komentaryo ng Linis Gobyerno hinggil sa nasabing binggohan, eh sa totoo naman daw ay walang kinalaman si Mayor sa pasugalan na yun, at ang nagbigay pahintulot sa pasugalan ay ang isa sa mga kanyang kanang-

kamay, yung kanang kamay niya na mahilig sa bolahan. Hay-yay-yay-yay napakaraming bulong ang aking mga TB, ano kaya ang tutuo at hindi? **PRANGKAHAN TAYO MR. NOLY BALATERO** ano ba ang kinalaman mo sa iligal na pasugalan sa Tabora Park?

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pagmando sa trapiko ng mga inatasang flagmen. Ayon kay Inso, upang magawang mas madali ang takbo ng trapiko ay gawin na lamang 10 minuto ang waiting time sa bawat panig upang maiwasan ang traffic jam lalo na sa bandang Camp Dangwa at Tomay.

Upang ganap na maresolba ang nasabing usapin ay pumayag ang Daewoo construction, ngunit hiniling pa rin nila ang tulong ng pulisya upang maiwasan ang unang naiulat na insidente ng pananakit.

Ang rehabilitasyon ng Halsema Highway ay nakatakdang matapos sa taong 2005./**RAO**

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GSO na habang patuloy ang imbestigasyon sa boom truck na nasa ilalin ng pangangalaga ng Traffic Management Group ay gagamit sila ng panibago. Sa ganitong paraan nabibigyan ng sapat na kaalaman ang konseho sa mga kasunduang pinapasok ng ibang ahensiya ng pamahalaan. Sa ganitong paraan ayon kay Balajadia ay naisasakatuparan nila ang bansag na "transparency in governance"/**RAO**

ARASAAS KEN KARASAKAS

Napabasol Ti Barangay

NI R. E. VALDEZ

Kalpasan ti Panagbenga ken Semana Santa a nangawis kadagiti turista a simmang-at ditoy Baguio, adtoy met ita ti panaglukat dagiti pagadalan para kadagiti nagkaado nga estudiante nga umay agadal ditoy manipud kadagiti nadumaduma a probinsia ditoy Luzon.

Ad-ado nga amang ti masapulan ita dagiti residente ken negosiante manipud kadagiti estudiante no idilig kadagiti naipaay dagiti turista kadagiti naglabas nga okasyon ditoy siudad. Ngem iti saludod: Naisagana kadi met laeng dagiti pasilidad para kadagitoy nga agtutubo tapno naannayasto met laeng ti inda panagbasa?

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Naminsan a panagsakayko ti jeep iti parkingan dagiti mapan iti Maria Basa, adda nagkakaribuso manipud kadagiti ayang ti sidewalk vendors a kunan la no adda manen nadukotan ti cellphone-na.

Ganito pala dito. Ayaw ko nang mag-aral dito!" Dayta man ti naisawang ti maysa kadagiti agtutubo nga adda iti jeep a mabalin a naggapu iti Teachers' Camp para iti maysa a national seminar.

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Iti naminsan met a kaaddak manen iti Session Road, gapu iti amakko a madukotan met ti cellphone, nag-text-nak iti uneg iti Chowking. Ngem naawis ti imatangko ti maysa manen a karibuso iti ruar ti pasdek. Addansa manen nabiktima ti snatching. Timmaray nga immadayo ti maysa a lalaki a sinurot ti maysa a nakaigegem ti kamera manipud ti kotse a kukua gayam ti ABS-CBN.

Kastoy kadin a talaga ti siudad, nagistayan inaldaw nga adda madukotan?!

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PINUPUNA AT PINAPANSIN

Sec. Lina takot sa mga jueteng lord?

NI ODELL "BOMBITO" AQUINO

Belated Happy B-Day muna kay Engelbert Bondoc na nagdiwang ng kanyang kaarawan noong June 04, anak ni pareng Gilbert at mareng Ruby diyan sa may Camp Allen. Salamat pare at mare at talagang nag-enjoy tayo at nabusog sa mga pulutan at inumin. May you have many more B-days to come.

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Mukhang nagbubulag-bulagan lang itong si DILG Sec. Joey Lina sa patuloy na pamamayagpag ng mga jueteng Lord sa bansa.

Bakit ika n'yo? Sa Ilocos Sur na pinanggagalingan ng kaibigan ni dating pangulong Joseph Estrada at naging instrumento ng pagpapabagsak sa kanya dahil sa isyung may kinalaman sa pagtanggap nito ng suhol mula sa jueteng ay patuloy parin ang malawakang jueteng operation ni Bonito Singson.

Ipinagmamalaki ni Bonito itong kapatid nyang si Mr. Chavit Singson sa pagpapalaganap ng kanyang jueteng operation sa nasabing lalawigan kaya hindi alintana nito ang mga kautusan ipinapatupad ni Sec. Lina na nagbabawal sa patuloy na pagpapatakbo ng jueteng.

Katulad ni Bonito Singson ng Ilocos Sur, ayon sa ating DPA (Deep Penetrating Angel) tuloy din sa kanyang kailegalan ito ng isa pang jueteng lord s na si Romy Lajara, na ang area naman ang operasyon ay sa Urdaneta Pangasinan.

Ayon parin sa ating DPA isang Boy Mayor, ang nagpapalaganap ng jueteng operation dito sa lungsod ng Baguio at umano'y napakalakas ng koneksiyon nito at syempre mga kapatid may pahintulot dito si Police Supt. Francisco Manalo, ang kasalukuyang Police City Director ng Baguio City Police office at ang kanyang Bosing na si Mayor Apo Vergara, kaya hindi

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Ping Lacson ang kailangan;
GSO – Gahaman at Swapang
Office

Ni KENSHI



Impeach those &^#%*&@+& Supreme Court Justices fast- Talaga naman oo, impeachment naman ng mga mahistrado ng Korte Suprema ang isinusulong ngayon. Dapat lang mga dear readers. Mababasa ninyo ang kabuuang detalye ng kalokohang pinaggagawa ng mga ilang justices sa pahayagang Daily Tribune. Doon ninyo mababasa ang pagwa-walanghiya ng mga mahistrado sa ating konstitusyon (the fundamental law of the land).

Sobra na talaga yang mga mahistrado na yan, lalung-lalo na yung tatlong sina Davide, Panganiban at Carpio. Alam ninyo mga dear readers wala pong above the law at makapagbabalewala sa ating konstitusyon. Ngayong mga mahistrado ang naglabag sa konstitusyon, hindi na dapat pang patagalin ng Kongreso at isampa na agad ang impeachment complaint para ma-umpisahan nang malitis sa Senado.

Subalit sa palagay ko lang, sa tindi ng korapsyon sa ating mga liderato sa Kongreso ay wala ring mangyayari sa impeachment complaint na ito. Mabilis pa sa alas singko ang bagsak ng reklamo sa basurahan.

PRANGKAHAN TAYO – Pangulong GMA at mga kinaukulang Supreme Court Justices, kung wala kayong nagawang mali, ang dapat, kayo mismo ang magsabi na litisan ang reklamo laban sa inyo para sa ganoon ay lumabas na ang katotohanan.

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Abusadong JADEWELL Parking- Bakit itong si Mr. Tan, ayaw sagutin ng direktong tanong kung saan napunta ang mahigit apat na milyon (P4M) na gusto niyang ibawas sa parte ng lungsod? Ayon kay Mr. Tan wala daw ni sino mang opisyal ng Baguio ang kanyang nabigyan kahit ng isang kusing. OWS C'MON, Mr. Tan, ikaw talaga oo, harap-harapan ang laki mong sinungaling. Kung wala kang binigyan na opisyal eh di hindi ka nabigyan ng MOA ng nakaraan administrasyon? Anong akala mo sa mga tanga est'e taga Baguio puros TANGA? Sabi mo pa, nagkamali lang daw ng pagkuenta ng accounting ng lungsod hinggil sa sinasabing apat na milyon, o sya-sya, oki-oki Mr. Tan, ikaw na ang tama, ikaw na ang magaling, ikaw na lang ang marunong mag-kwenta. Dapat kasi lahat ng kalsada sa Baguio ay pay parking para madagdagan ang iyong kayamanan. **PLANGKAHAN TAYO** Misteh Tan- Makit ikaw masyalo kapal mukah, alam mo naman kalamihan motolista sa Bagyo ayaw bayad sayo ng peh paking, bakit ikaw pilit singil, kulang pa ba pela mo sa bangko ?

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Senador Panfilo "Ping" Lacson ang kailangan - Sa ngayon, sa kasalukuyan, hangga't walang lumalantad na alternatibong kandidato kay Senador Ping Lacson ay siya ang aking iboboto at i-endorse. Bagama't siya pa lamang ang lantarang nagpahiwatig ng kanyang intensiyong tumakbo sa pagka-pangulo, kaya't bilib na bilib at saludo ako sa kanyang kaprangkahan. Pag tiningnan mo naman ang kanyang nakaraang record ay wala ka namang makikitang matinding kalokohan kung hindi ang mga peke at palsipikadong mga bintang ng mga tuta (o asong ulol-tulad ni Mary Ong, Gen. Corpuz, Dante Jimenez, Leonard De Vera etc..) ng kasalukuyang administrasyon. Kaya't sa ngayon, mga dear readers kay PING LACSON tayo. Malamang na siya lamang sa kasalukuyang mga kandidato ang may lakas ng loob, may paninindigan, para maiwasto ang kasalukuyang katarantaduhan, lalung-lalo na sa hanay ng graft and corruption.

PRANGKAHAN TAYO mga dear readers, sino ba sa mga nakaraang opisyal ang nakapagpatino ng PNP, hindi tumanggap o pumatol sa Jueteng, hindi nasangkot sa anumang graft and corruption? Hindi ba si Ping Lacson lang?

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GSO anong gimik na naman – Hindi pa nga tapos yung

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Trapik sa Halsema Highway lumalala

La Trinidad, Benguet- Pinalalawigan ng Benguet ang kontraktor ng Halsema Highway na gumawa ng paraan para masolusyunan ang lumalalang trapiko sa nasabing lugar.

Noong nakaraang sesyon ng Sanggunian noong Miyerkules ay hindi naiwasan na pagsabihan ni Board Member Danio Bolislis ang Daewoo Construction sa pagkabigo nitong magtalaga ng maasahang mga flagmen na dapat sana ay mangasiwa sa maayos

na daloy ng trapiko. Maging mga traffic signs at mga kagamitan upang masiguro ang kaligtasan ng mga motorista ay napabalitang hindi rin lubusang nasusunod, kung kaya nagkakaroon ng kalituhan sa implementasyon sa batas trapiko.

Samantala, itinanggi naman ni Jimmy Valencia, ang Environmental Management Engineer ng Daewoo na nagpabaya sila sa kanilang tungkulin. Ayon kay Valencia wala sa kanila ang problema kundi sa mga motorista mismo.

Maraming beses

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Ordinansa para sa mas mahigpit na pagbili ng mga gamit sa pamahalaan

Baguio City- Kailangan ng mas mahigpit na mga patakaran hinggil sa pagbili ng mga kagamitan ng pamahalaan. Ito ang naging komento ni konsehal Braulio Yaranon hinggil sa magkakasunod na kahilingan ng General Services Office, sa konseho ng kumpirmasyon sa pagpasok sa mga negotiated purchase, sa halip na dumaan muna sa tinatawag na public bidding.

Ayon kina Yaranon at konsehal Delfin Balajadia, makailang beses ng nagdeklara ng failure of bidding ang GSO. At sa ilang ulit na pagkakadeklara ng failure of bids ay lagi na lamang dehado ang pamahalaan.

Inilahad ni Yaranon na sa mga pagkakataon na nagkaroon ng mga negotiated purchase order, mas madalas kaysa hindi ay nadedehado ang pamahalaan. Nagkaroon na ng pagkakataon any na dahil sa ganitong mga transaksyon, sa halip na makabili ang pamahalaan ng bagong kagamitan ay lumalabas na hindi pala makabagong kagamitan ang nabili.

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na an'ya na sinasaktan ng mga motorista ang mga flagmen, na wala namang malinaw na dahilan kung bakit.

Ayon naman kay Board Member Marciano Inso, hindi nakapagtataka na makatikim ng pananakit ang mga flagmen sapagkat wala malinaw na oras kung kailan makakagalaw ang mga sasakayan sa magkabilang panig. Ang dating isa at kalahating oras na biyahe mula La Trinidad hanggang Kapangan o Atok ay umabot na ngayon ng tatlong oras dahil lamang sa mahinang

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maiwasan na muling maulit ang ganitong mga pangyayari panahon na, ayon kay Yaranon na ang konseho ay gumawang isang ordinansa na siyang magsisilbing sandigan ng lokal na pamahalaan sakaling pumasok sa mga transaksyon na gamit ang mga pondo ng pamahalaan.

Sa iba pang balita umalma si Konsehal Balajadia sa paggamit ng GSO sa boom truck na walang kumpirmasyon ng konseho. Ayon kay Balajadia sana man lang ay ipinaalam ng