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(Republic of the Philippines)
MINISTERI NG EDUKASYON AT KULTURA
(MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE)
Manila

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MEMORANDUM
No. 170, s. 1978

ORATORICAL AND ESSAY CONTESTS COMMEMORATING
QUEZON'S CENTENNIAL YEAR

To: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Coordinator, State Colleges and
Universities
School Superintendents
Heads of Private Schools, Colleges
and Universities

1. To inculcate in the minds of our citizenry, particularly the youth of the land, the valuable contributions of the late President Manuel L. Quezon to the promotion of our national progress, and to encourage active involvement of our people in the task of nation-building, the Ministry of Education and Culture, in cooperation with the 1978 Manuel L. Quezon Centennial Year Executive Committee, is conducting an essay contest and an oratorical contest on any aspect of the theme: "Quezon's Role in Nation-Building."
2. The contests which are open to all high school and college students from both public and private schools shall be conducted on three levels: division, regional, and national. There will be two categories: English and Filipino.
3. School superintendents are enjoined to form committees to take charge of the contests on the division level. Private schools, colleges and universities shall be represented in these committees whose main duties shall consist of disseminating information about the essay and oratorical contests, conducting the contests on the division level, and sending the winning entries to the Regional Contest Committee. The first prize winners in both the essay and oratorical contests shall represent the division in the regional elimination rounds.

4. After the selection of the first prize winners in the division level, the contest committee shall prepare a report on the contest, including a certified list of the winners in both contests and a copy of each winning essay, to the Executive Committee, 1978 Manuel L. Quezon National Centennial Year. A copy of each winning essay and a list of winners in the oratorical contest shall also be sent to the Regional Contest Committee not later than August 1, 1978.

5. Regional directors shall form contest committees to take charge of the contest in the regional level. Such committees shall select from among the division winners the regional representatives for the national competition. It shall also submit to the Executive Committee, 1978 Manuel L. Quezon National Centennial Year, the winning entries in the essay contest and a list of the winners in the oratorical contest not later than August 14.

6. The oratorical contests shall be held not later than the following dates:

Division Level	-	July 28, 1978
Regional Level	-	August 4, 1978
National Level	-	August 17, 1978

Inclosed are the rules of the essay and oratorical contests in both English and Filipino.

7. Winners in the division and regional levels shall receive medals and special prizes from the respective provincial and regional committees. National winners shall receive cash at an awards ceremony to be held on August 18, 1978 at Carlos Albert Session Hall, Quezon City.

8. It is desired that immediate and wide dissemination of this MEC Memorandum be made to all public and private schools in the division.

(SGD.) JUAN L. MANUEL
Minister of Education and Culture

Incls.:
As stated

Reference:
Department Memorandum: No. 458, s. 1978

Allotment: ~~1-2-3-4~~ (D.O. 1-76)

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(Disclosure to ABC Department No. 170, d. 1978)

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
ON THE 1978 MARCEL B. QUEZON CENTENNIAL YEAR

ESSAY RULES

1. The contest is open to all Philippine high school and college students from both private and public schools.
2. The contest has two categories: English and Filipino.
3. Theme of the contest is:

Filipino - - "Ang Pambansa ng Quezon sa Banasa"
English - - "Quezon's Legacy to the Nation"

Contestants may write on any aspect of this broad subject.

4. Entries should not exceed the following limits:

High school - - 1,500 words.
Collegiate - - 2,500 words

5. Five copies of each entry, typewritten double spaced on regular bond paper, should be submitted to the Secretariat, 1978 Marcel B. Quezon Centennial Year, 4th Flr., Publication Division, The National Library, T. N. Valaw St., Manila, on or before July 21, 1978. Entry must contain the author's name, address, school, year and course (in case of college student), and a certification of enrolment from the principal or dean.

6. Winners in each category shall receive the following prizes:

High School:

1st prize - - - - -	₱1,500
2nd prize - - - - -	1,000
3rd prize - - - - -	500
3 Honorable Mentions - -	200 each

College:

1st prize - - - - -	₱2,000
2nd prize - - - - -	1,500
3rd prize - - - - -	1,000
3 Honorable Mentions - -	300 each

7. The decision of the board of judges shall be final and irrevocable.
8. All winning entries shall become property of the Executive Committee, 1978 Manuel L. Quezon Centennial Year.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
ON THE 1978 MANUAL D. DELOS SANTOS CENTENNIAL YEAR

ORATORICAL CONTEST

SUBJECT

1. The contest is open to all Philippine high school and college students from both public and private schools.
2. The contest has two divisions: English and Filipino.
3. The theme of the contest is "Razon's Legacy to the Nation." Contestants may discuss any aspect of this broad subject.
4. The contest will be conducted on three levels: division, regional and national levels. Contestants passing through the division level will be qualified for the regional level and winners on this level will finally vie for the national title.
5. Delivery of each oration must not exceed eight (8) minutes for contestants in the collegiate level and five (5) minutes for those on the secondary level.
6. Four clear copies of the piece, typed double-spaced on short bond paper should be submitted to the division contest committee two days before the contest. The name of the contestants must appear on the written piece.
7. The contest consists of:
 - a) Elimination
 1. Division level - will be held on July 28, 1978
 2. Regional level (Luzon, Visayas, Mindanao) will be held on August 4, 1978
 - b) Finals

National level - will be held on August 17, 1978 at the Carlos Albert Session Hall, City Hall, Quezon City.

8. Winners shall receive the following prizes for each category:

Secondary

1st prize - - - - -	\$1,500
2nd prize - - - - -	1,000
3rd prize - - - - -	500
3 honorable mentions - - - -	200 each

College

1st prize - - - - -	\$2,000
2nd prize - - - - -	1,500
3rd prize - - - - -	1,000
3 honorable mentions - - - -	300 each

9. The decision of the board of judges shall be final and irrevocable.
10. All entries will become the property of the Executive Committee on the 1978 Manuel L. Quezon Centennial Year.