

STATEMENT

- Q. Please state your name and other circumstances.  
A. Norberto R. Dimaculangan, Filipino, of legal age, married, employee of Escudero & Company, resident of Pila, Laguna.
- Q. Do you promise to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth in this investigation?  
A. Yes.
- Q. What was your job from February to May 1945?  
A. I was appointed by Mr. Calo to collect palay from the proprietors of Pila, Laguna.
- Q. For what use?  
A. For the guerrillas and Alamo Scouts.
- Q. After you commandeered the palay where did you bring it?  
A. I took the palay to the ricemill which was also commandeered by the Mayor to mill the palay.
- Q. Who is the owner of the mill?  
A. I do not know.
- Q. Was there only one ricemill in Pila?  
A. There were three, but I took the palay to the mill near the cemetery.
- Q. Who was the manager of the mill?  
A. **Ramiyo** Relova.
- Q. After the palay had been milled where did you take it?  
A. To the Municipal Building where I delivered it to the Mayor.
- Q. Personally?  
A. Yes.
- Q. Was your authority to commandeer verbal or written?  
A. Verbal.
- Q. Do you remember the names of persons from whom you requisitioned palay and other supplies?  
A. Some of them -- Manuel Rivera, Ruperto Relova, Arcadio Relova, Rafael Relova, Felisa Madrigal, Geronimo Ruiz, Paz Lorona, Paulino Agra, Jose Madrigal, Jr., Jose Agra, Dr. J. Bartolome, Vicente Dimaculangan, Amelia Bartolome, Regino Relova, and others I cannot remember.
- Q. What was the amount of palay you commandeered?  
A. I cannot remember anymore.
- Q. Whenever you issued receipts ~~xxxxxx~~ did you sign the receipts yourself or you placed the name of Mr. Calo?  
A. My name.
- Q. In certain commandeerings did you initial the receipts?  
A. No. When I commandeered I signed.
- Q. Have you not commandeered jointly with Mr. Madrigal?  
A. Sometimes I did.
- Q. Did you affix your signature also to the receipts of Mr. Madrigal?

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A. Yes.

Q. Did you receive compensation in procuring supplies?

A. No.

Q. Do you remember the date you were authorized by Mr. Calo to commandeer?

A. No. I remember only the day but not the date.

Q. The month?

A. No. It was about two or three weeks before the Holy Week of 1945.

Q. Do you remember the ~~times~~ <sup>times</sup> you commandeered foodstuffs, rice from claimant Amelia Bartolome?

A. Yes, not more than three times.

Q. In these commandeerings made from claimant did you issue receipts?

A. Yes.

Q. Were you authorized by some officers of the Fil-Americans to commandeer?

A. Yes, but Col. Rivera, Col. David, Col. San Pedro, Col. Talahib, also by Acting Mayor T. Calo.

Q. In these particular commandeerings from Amelia Bartolome, who authorized you?

A. I do not remember whether it was T. Calo, River, or David.

Q. What kind of paper did you use for receipts?

A. Whatever was available.

Q. Do you know <sup>the</sup> Constanca Ricemall?

A. Yes.

Q. How far is it from the municipal building?

A. Not more than a kilometer.

Q. Who is the owner?

A. Arcadio Relova.

Q. In charge?

A. Mr. Madrigal.

Q. Remember when the main forces of the American liberating forces arrived at Pila?

A. Two or three days before the Holy Week, 1945.

Q. If you remember, please state what day and month and year they left Pila, I mean the main forces not the Alamo Scouts.

A. I can not remember, it was in 1945.

Q. Did they stay long in Pila?

A. Maybe for one and one-half months or more.

Q. Aside from rice, what more did you commandeer?

A. Carabaos, pigs, cows, tobacco, salt, shrimps, firewood, pillows, shoes, mosquito nets, mats, blankets. The pillows, shoes, mosquito nets, mats, blankets were used by the aviators who bailed in one of our barrios.

Q. In all instances you issued receipts?

A. I did not in all instances.

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Q. Have you anything more to add?  
A. No more.

*N.R. Dimaculangan*  
NORBERTO R. DIMACULANGAN

I certify that the foregoing statement was made by the party signing the same voluntarily before me this 15th day of January 1945, at Claims Service, PHILRYCOM, APC 707, FUA.

*Sabino J. Aguilera*  
SABINO J. AGUILERA  
Claims Investigator

Archibaldo M. Madrigal

I hereby certify that the above  
signatures were affixed to the  
receipts I issued as authorized  
agent of the Acting Mayor, T. Cal  
of Pila, Laguna.

Archibaldo M. Madrigal  
(Archibaldo M. Madrigal)

Jan 15, 1941

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- Q. State your name and other personal circumstances?  
A. Archibaldo Madrigal, of legal age, married, resident of Pila, Laguna.
- Q. There are receipts allegedly signed by you. Did you issue receipts in 1945?  
A. That was when the Americans arrived in Pila.
- Q. Which Americans?  
A. The Alamo Scouts.
- Q. By whom were you authorized to requisition supplies?  
A. I was the assistant of the Acting Municipal Mayor, Tranquilino Calo.
- Q. Do you recognize this receipt which is in the claim file of Emilianita Agua? It is marked as Exhibit 2.  
A. Yes. It has my genuine signature.
- Q. How many cavans of palay is covered by this receipt?  
A. That is 15 cavans of palay.
- Q. Is this your signature which appears here?  
A. Yes.
- Q. And why is it that this kind of receipt was issued? They are too small.  
A. Because we don't have sufficient paper that time. We even used scratch paper.
- Q. All in all, how many cavans of pice, I mean clean rice were commandeered by you?  
A. I cannot estimate because almost everyday I commandeered palay and rice. Because I am the manager of the La Constancia Rice Mill at that time. I get the palay milled and sent it to the municipal building.
- Q. You mean to say all you have commandeered are palay, no rice?  
A. Yes, all palay, no rice.
- Q. Were you given written authority by Mayor Calo to commandeer?  
A. No, only verbal.
- Q. Were you cognizant that Mr. Calo was authorized to commandeer supplies?  
A. I think so.
- Q. Do you know whether there were other persons authorized by Mr. Calo to commandeer?  
A. We are two, Mr. Dimaculangan. He has also his initial there (pointing to receipt above).
- Q. You mean to say all the receipts you issued should have the initial of Dimaculangan?  
A. No. In the absence of Dimaculangan, I issued receipts signed by me.
- Q. And do you have knowledge as to the disposition of the palay that you commandeered?

J. Calo,

J. Calo,

This is to certify that the  
above is my genuine signature  
and which was affixed by me  
in signing receipts for comman-  
derrings for the Alamo Scouts  
under Lt. Wilbur F. Littlefield.

Jan. 6, 1948.

J. Calo,

AFFIDAVIT

To Whom It May Concern:

1. From February, 1945 to April, 1945 I, Wilbur F. Littlefield, was a first lieutenant in the armed forces of the United States on Special Duty with Hq. 6th Army, Alamo Scouts Training Center, A.P.O. 442.

2. During this time I was on a mission behind the Japanese lines with 1st Lt. Tom Rounsaville, O-32659, under orders from Hq. 6th Army, with headquarters of our mission in the town of PILA, LAGUNA.

3. During our stay in PILA, Mr. Tranquilino CALO, Sr., The acting mayor, was ordered to requisition supplies from the townspeople of PILA and the surrounding area to feed the American scouts and the more than one thousand guerrillas under our command.

4. The mayor, Mr. Tranquilino Calo, Sr., and the townspeople cooperated to the fullest extent in furnishing these supplies which were vitally necessary for the success of our operations in that area.

5. These supplies were requisitioned and consumed by the U. S. and guerilla troops.

6. The CALAUAN, LAGUNA-PILA, LAGUNA bridge and the PILA, LAGUNA-SANTA CRUZ, LAGUNA bridge were reconstructed by the townspeople, and this work, which was done at our request prior to the arrival of the 1st Cavalry Division in that area, greatly aided that organization in the movement of troops and supplies when it entered that area.

7. I certify that the foregoing statements are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this 22nd day of November 1947  
Illegible Bell Notary Public  
to and for the County of Alameda,  
State of California.

e/ Wilbur F. Littlefield  
t/ WILBUR F. LITTLEFIELD  
O-508678  
1st Lt., Inf. Res.

My Commission Expires Nov. 7, 1949

A TRUE COPY:

RICHARD KYLL

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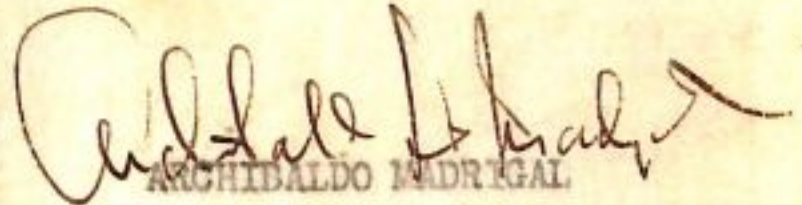
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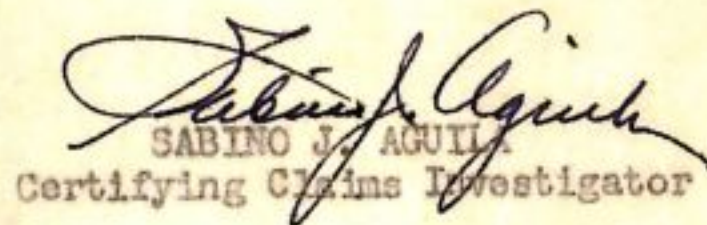
I happened to be in charge of collecting rice as manager of the La Constancia Rice Mill.

- Q. Have you not for any instance been collecting rice in the name of Colonel David of the 3rd Army Corps?
- A. What I do is <sup>to acquire</sup> mill the palay and deliver it to the Municipal Building.
- Q. What more do you want to say?
- A. We had worked for the service of our country without any compensation.

I certify that my answers to the foregoing questions are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and recollection.

  
ARCHIBALDO MADRIGAL

I certify that the foregoing statement was made by the party signing the same voluntarily before me this 15th day of January 1948.

  
SABINO J. AGUILA  
Certifying Claims Investigator