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THE AMALAPURI INSTITUTIONS

Since the colonization of the hilly area of Malabar, innumerable Catholic families from the erstwhile Travencore Cochin have come in quest of land to settle down there. Most of them are economically and educationally backward. Their Spiritual welfare was attended to by the BISHOP of Calicut who was generously extending to them what ever help he could But it was found that the task was too laborious and the syrian Carmelite Fathers were requested to extend their missionary work to this part of Kerala. Father Athanasius, C. M.I., an illustrious son of this order, pioneered the work. He came to Ferok and while rendering his valuable services for the orphanage there, he founded another religious house at Kadalundi. Later Fr. Athanasius shifted to Kadalundi. But the crying needs of the undeveloped areas of Malabar called him back to the missions where he lived and worked for several years for the material and spiritual welfare of the settlers-

Fr. Homice c. M. I., followed in the foot steps of Fr. Athanasius. This eminent missionary of extra-ordinary talents came to Calicut in July 1952 and started his work as the Editor of the then Diocesan organ the "SANDESAM". Summoned by his Superiors to found a reliogious house for the Syrian Carmelite community in Calicut, Fr. Hormice traversed the length and breadth of the whole City to find a suitable site for the house. In his attempts Fr. Hormice was helped by three energetic young men of selfless service, Mr. M. C. Abraham, K. Stanislaus and John Correa. Finally they spotted an ideal site near the 4th Rlv. Gate which belonged to Mr. M. N. Nair who expressed his willingness to alienate his property for a noble cause. So in the Year 1954 on April 19 the site, which has since been named "AMALAPURI", the city of the Immaculate, was purchased by the St. Joseph's province of the Syro-Malabar Carmalite Congregation and it found the Nucleus of their missionary activity this side. At the inauguration of the Carmel Huose at 'Amalapuri' the elite of the town were present. Proposing the toast Mr. C. J. Francis, B. A., one of the eminent men of the Catholic community of Calicut expressed the hope that Malabar, which is significantly backward – educationally, economically and socially would benefit by their arriaval. The lack of a Catholic college and a Catholic publication were stressed, besides the urgent need for giving relief to the poor and suffering. Consequently one of the already existing buildings in Amalapuri was converted into a boarding house called "Savio Home" where poor pupils from the colonies, studying in the local educational and technical institutions, were admitted. But, after a couple of years due to the financial stringency it was found impossible to run it and had to be stopped.

The stupendous task of founding the College was put on the able shoulders of Fr. Hormice. Fr. Hormice with his undaunted courage and limitless energy started to work for the fulfilment of his mission. Very Rev. Fr. Daniel C. M. I., the then Provincial of the South province, gave all the encouragements. Father Shabore, C. M. I., the able and generous Procurator general, provided with all the financial support and Father Reynolds, C. M. I., M. A. contributed his valuable advice and counsels. These powerful forces backed up Fr. Hormice from behind for the speedy accomplishment of his work most efficiently. Mr. M. C. Abraham, Stanislaus and John Correa were always with Fr. Homice ready even to lay down their lives for him.

To Find a suitable site for the College in the City of Calicut was not an eassy joke. After much search and consultation, with the help of Mr. Antony Marian, early in May 1955, Fr. Hormice bought out a group of hills called Kaniamkunnu in Chevayoor about hundred acres in extent and about 4 miles out-side the city. Situated on a beautiful hill, which was named Devagiri 'the mount of God' by Fr. Hormice, over looking the sea, away from the noise and buzzle of the city, this extensive site was ideal for a centre of learning. Fr. Murphy s. J., the one man commission of the University of Madras, inspected the site and on his strong recommendation, the University gave approbation for the construction of the college buildings. The foundation stone

for the college was laid by Fr. Hormice on 3rd. January 1956, and the college buildings came up as though by a amiracle (with in a remarkably short period of six months) to the great admiration and amazement of the University as well as of the people around. The college was blessed by the bishop of Tellicherry on July 2 1956, and the classes started functioning with P. U. and junior B. A. The college was formally inaugurated by Mr. Sri. Prakasa. Governor of Madras, on September 26, 1956. Now, Devagiri college is one of the foremost among the educational institutions of S. India.

Though the college provided facilities for higher academic courses, the absense of a High school caused much inconvenience for the people around who wanted to give their children a complete university education right from the beginning. Hence the people of the locality presented a memorandum to Very Rev. Fr. Provincial through Fr. Hormice requesting to start a sec school in the precincts of the college. Again the authorities could find no one else than Fr. Hormice

who could efficiently carry out this work without delay. He worked at it with his faithful collaborators sedulously and strenuously. The foundation stone for the H. School was laid by Fr. Reynolds on March 19, 1956. The buildings came up fast and the Primary section of the High school was started with Government sanction on July 2 1956. The school was formally blessed and inaugurated by the venerable Fr. Zearo, s. J. Challanging many oppositions that came his way from many sides. Fr. Hormice started the High school classes – Forms IV, V, and VI, in 1957, 1958, & 1959 respectively and the Savio High school sent up students for S. S. L. C. in March 1960 to come out with glorious results in the public exams.

Simultaneously in the year 1956 the Amala Printing Works was set up in Calicut. In November, the same year the "Prakasam" weekly also began to be published and this in a great measure satisfied the long need for a Catholic publication in Malabar-Now it was found that generous benefactors were more inclined to extend financial assistance to institutions set up to train young boys in the technical line. With this end in view the "Savio Home" was

revived. Poor boys, especially from the Colnies are being admitted here and are given training in the Printing and allied trades in the attached Amala Printing Works.

Later the attention of Fr. Shabore and Fr. Hormice turned to the construction of the college Hostels-New man, St. Joseph's & St. Thomas. This too was accomplised with-in no time. The stadium, the staff quarters, the college canteen, open-air theatre. Devagiri buildings and the work shop were also complete in the following year. In the constructions of the buildings the valuable services rendered by Sri. Karunakaran Theruvathu by supplying the materials from the various centers out side Kerala can never be forgotten. Mr. I. Z. Cherian was an employee in the Amalaputi Institutions and his services did much to expedite the construction work.

Thus with in the short span of 4 years the Amalapuri, Institutions Carmel House, Savio Home, Devagiri college, Savio high school, Amala Technical Institute, the Printing Press and the Journal - Prakasam, - were

established to the credit of Fr. Shabore, Fr. Hormice, Fr. Reynolds and those who worked in collaboration with them. This was indeed a great achievement unprecedented in the history of Calicut or of the Carmelite congregation. The names of those eminent architects of these great Amalapri Institutions will be writ in letters of Gold and will be remembered through history and will go down to posterity.

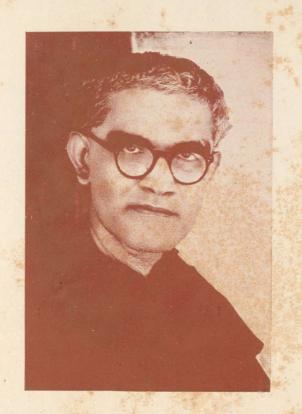
When the great mission of Fr. Shabore and Fr. Hormice were accomplished most creditably a new regime appeared on the scene and these selfless apostles of Christ, handing over the charges of all the institutions except that of Amala Technical Institute and Savio home into the hands of the new arrivals, retired from the scene in January 1960. Fr Hormice though exhausted by the strenuous work, beaming in spirit and unfailing in courage kept- up to work for his young men of the Savio home till January 1963. Still young in their aspiratons and initiatives Fr. Hormice & Fr. Shabore want to do and die for the good of their fllow men for the greater glory of Christ, their great master, who lived and died for the salvation of mankind.

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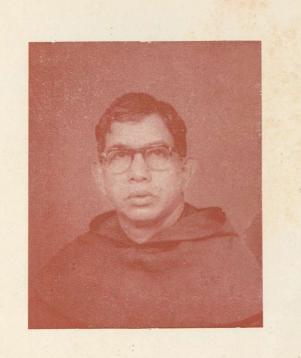


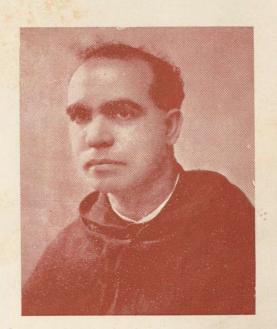
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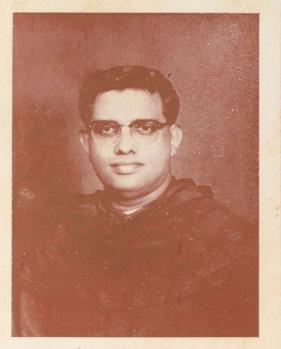


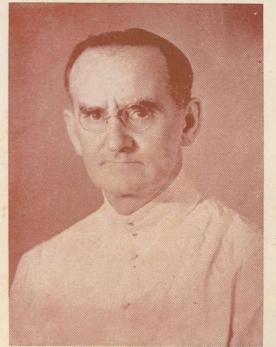
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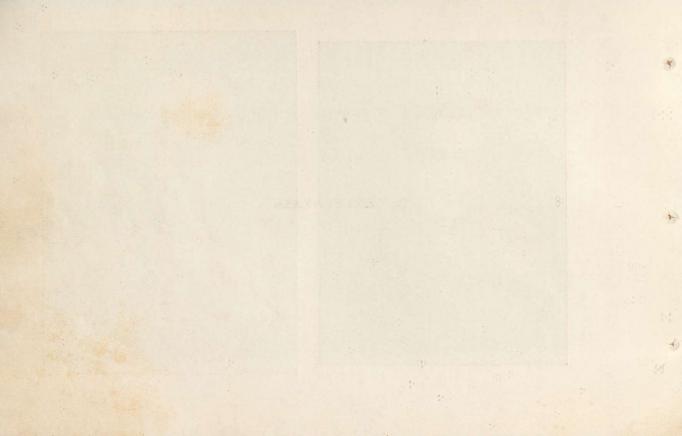
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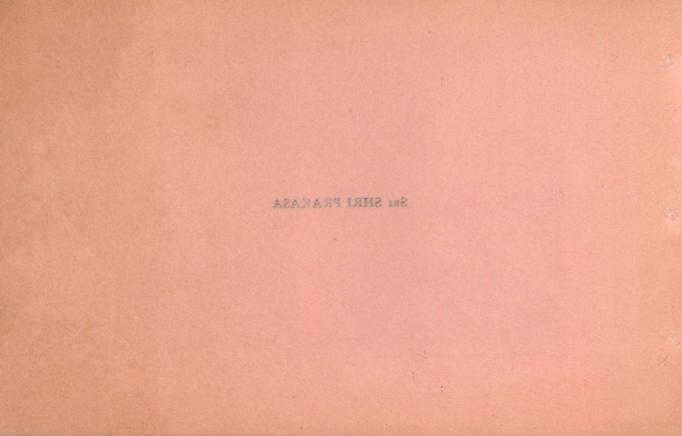
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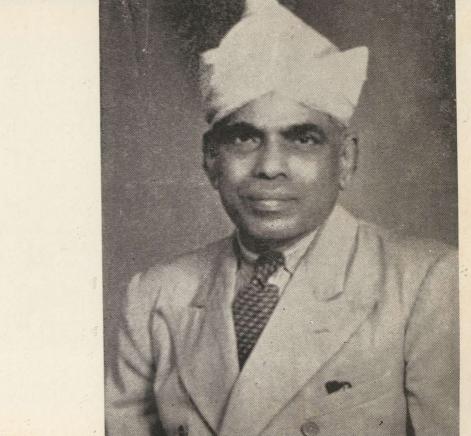






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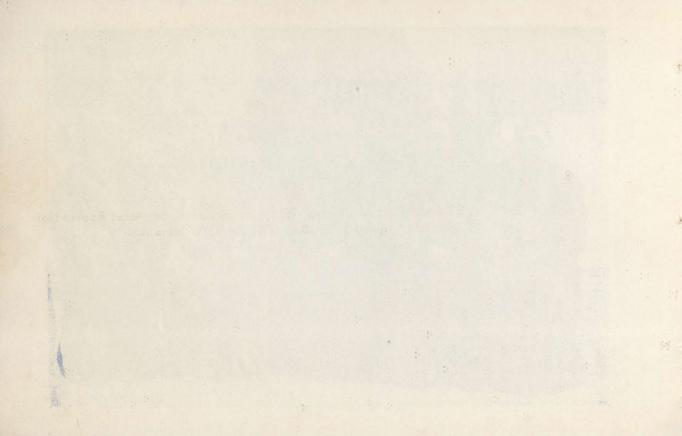
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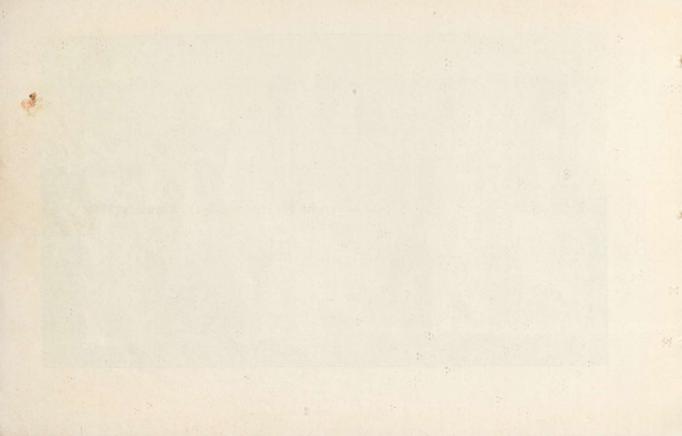




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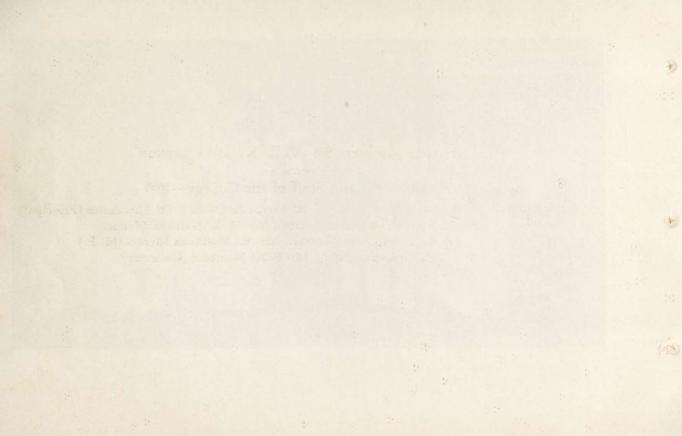




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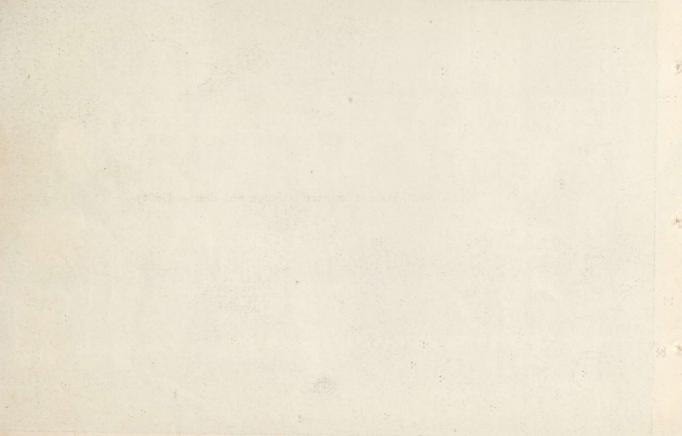
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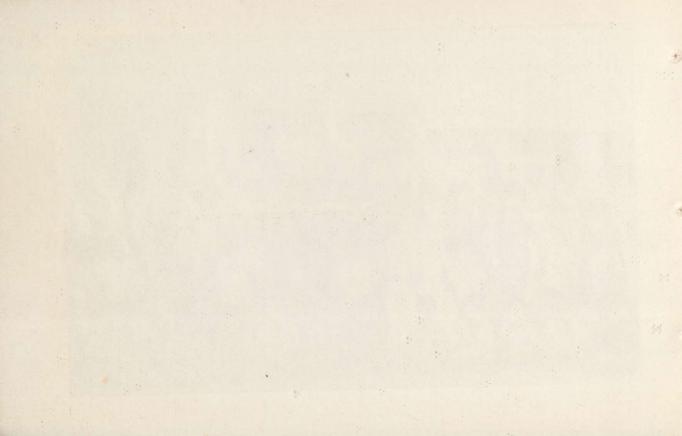




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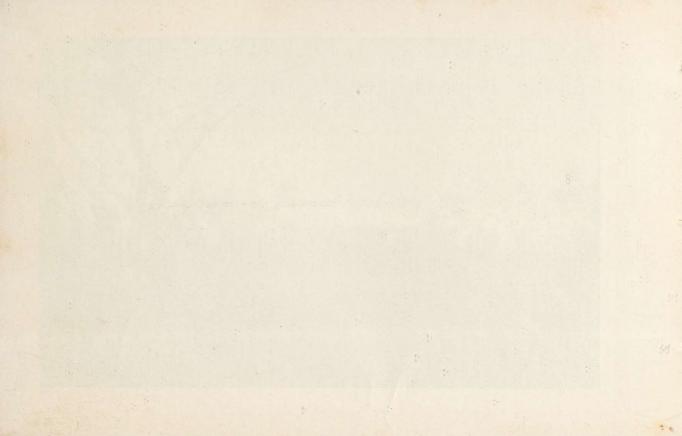




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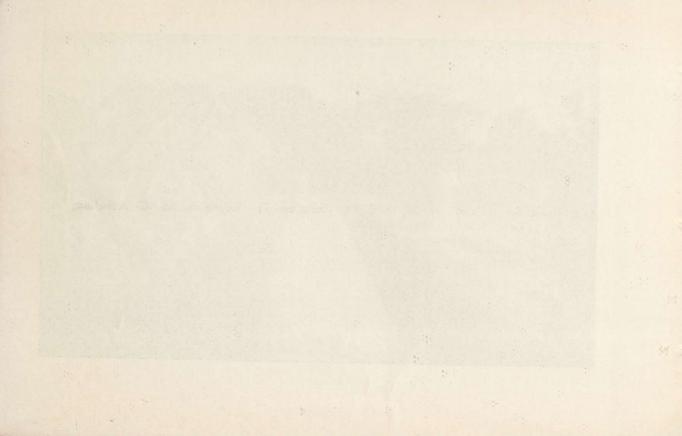




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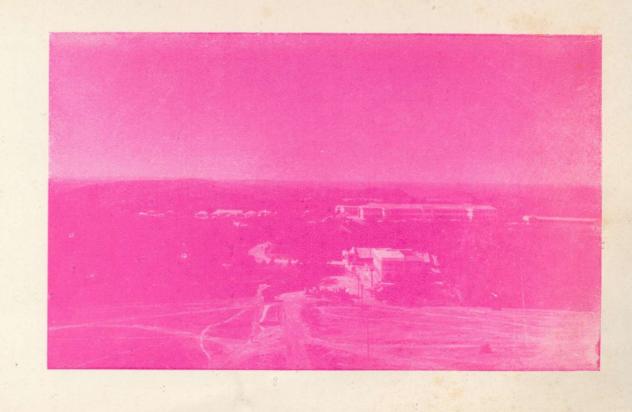
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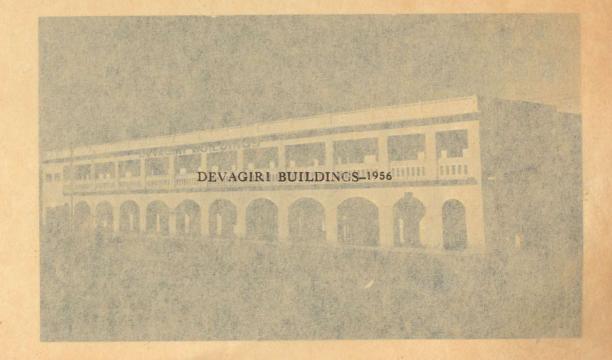


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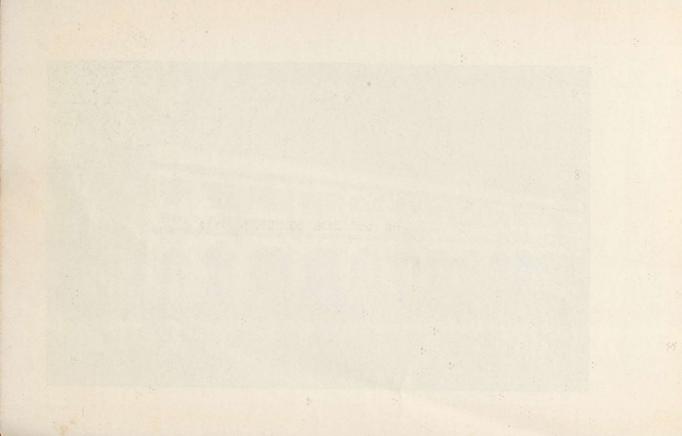






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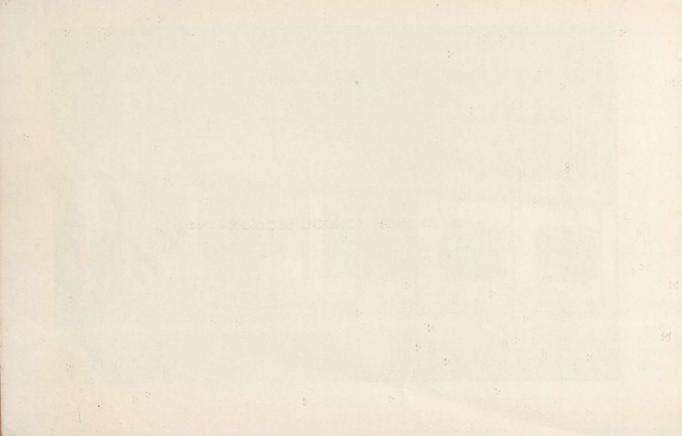




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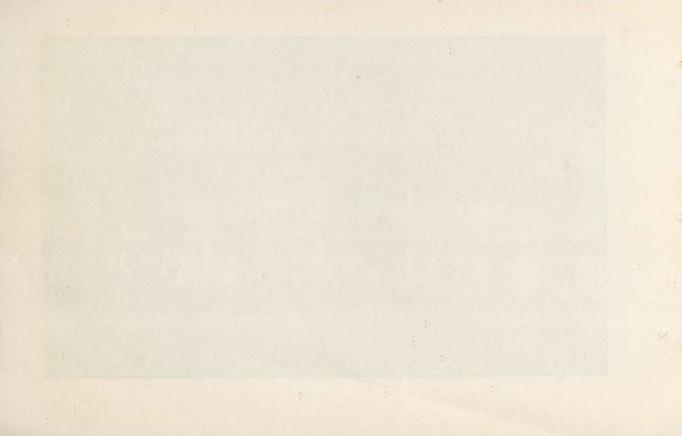




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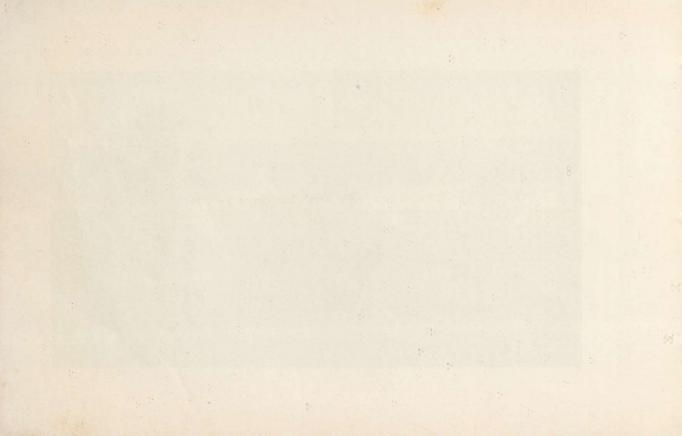




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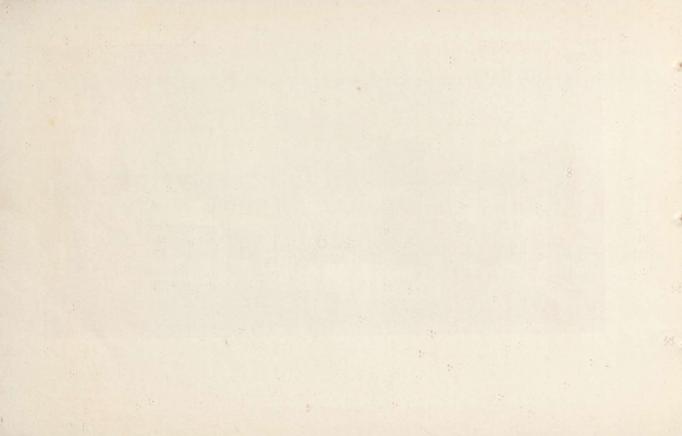


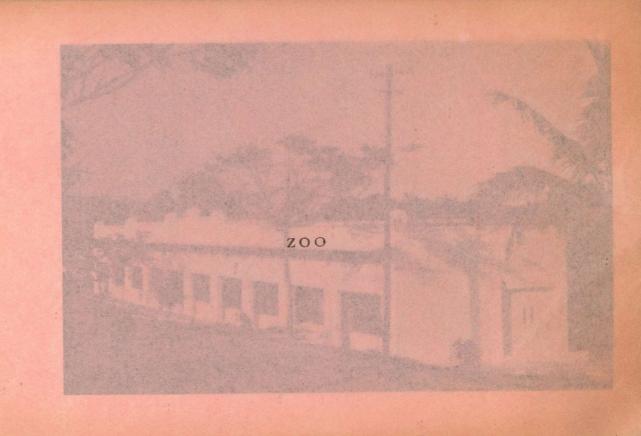


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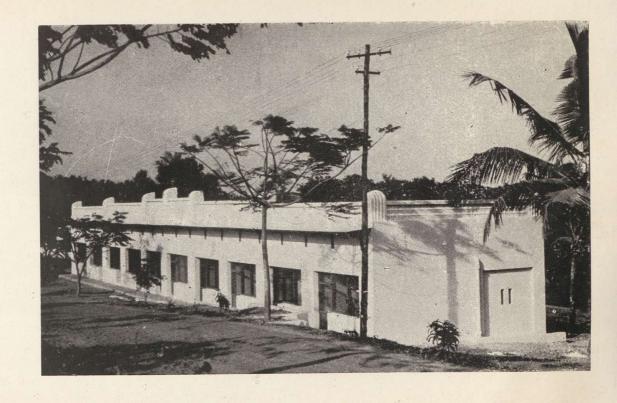
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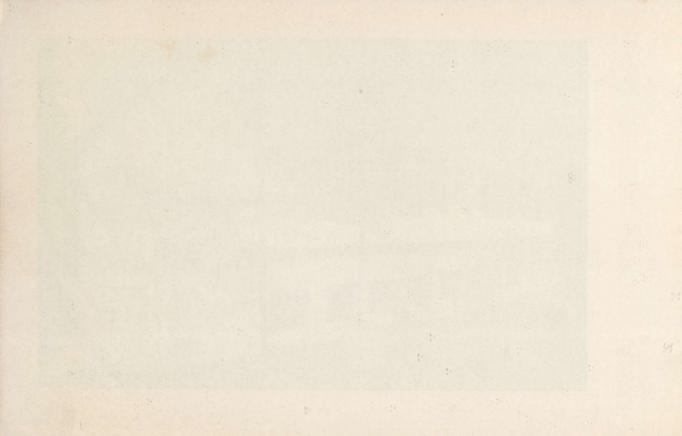


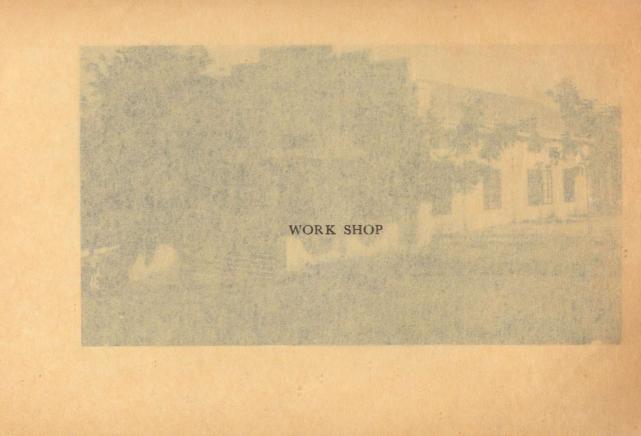




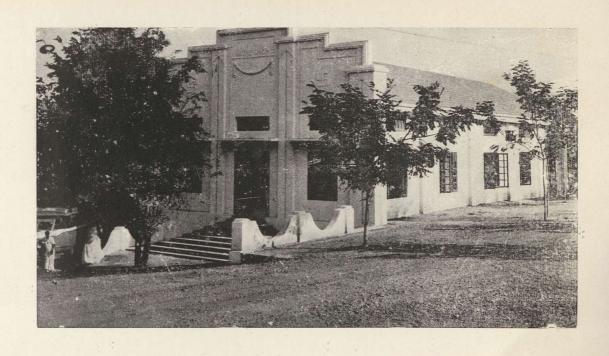
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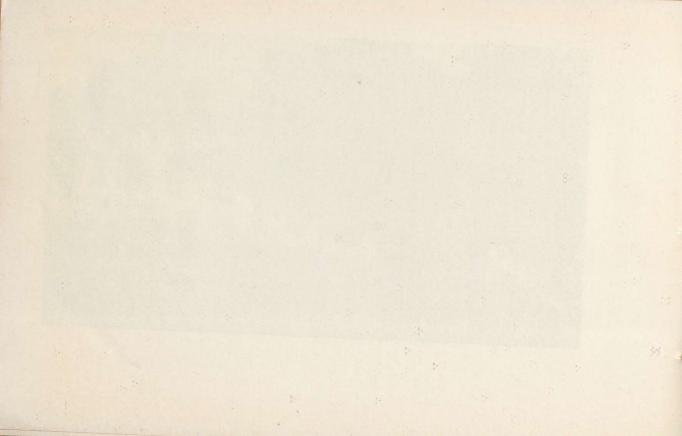


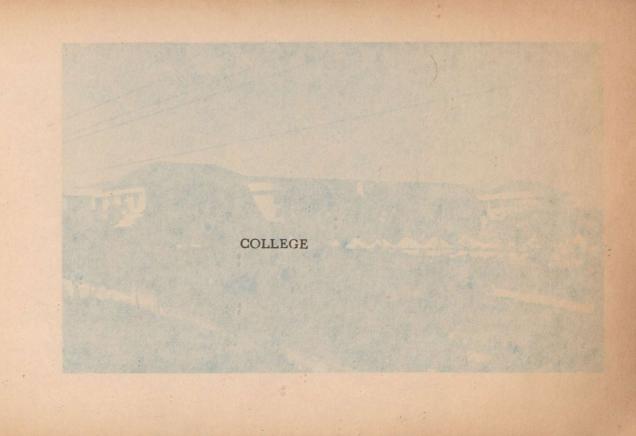




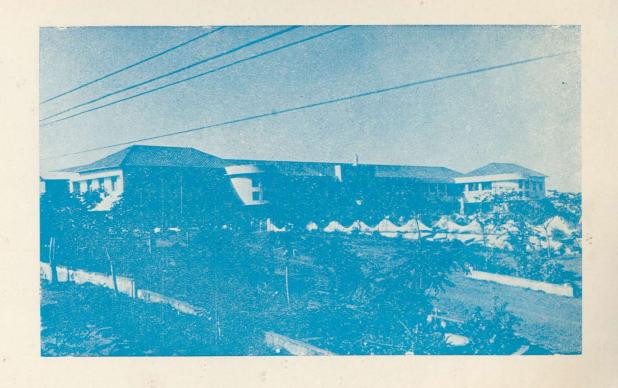
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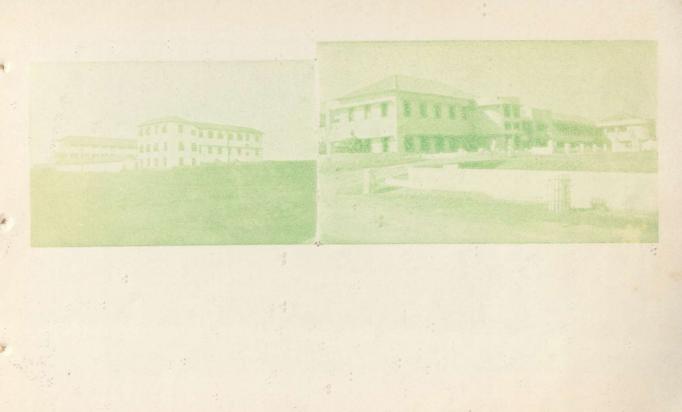


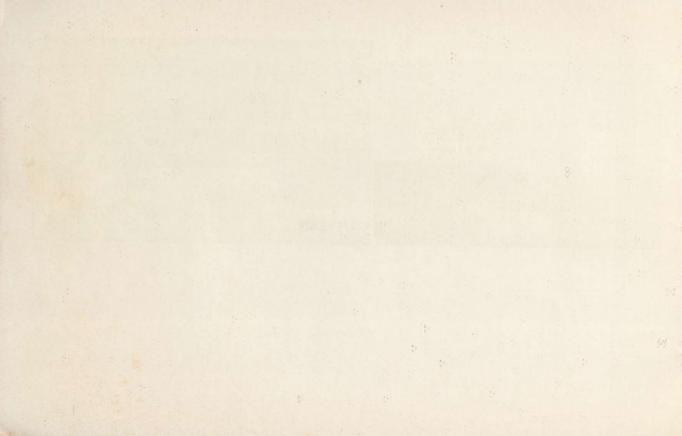
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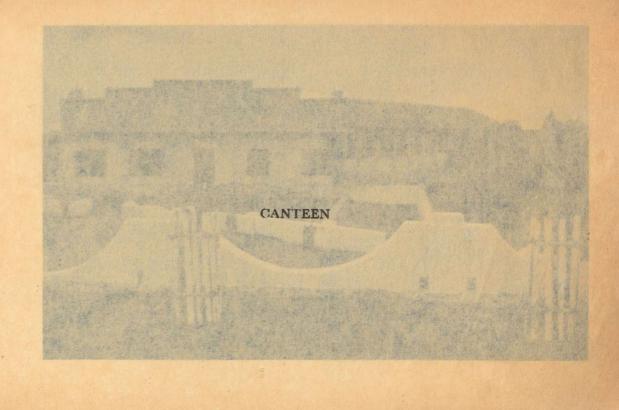
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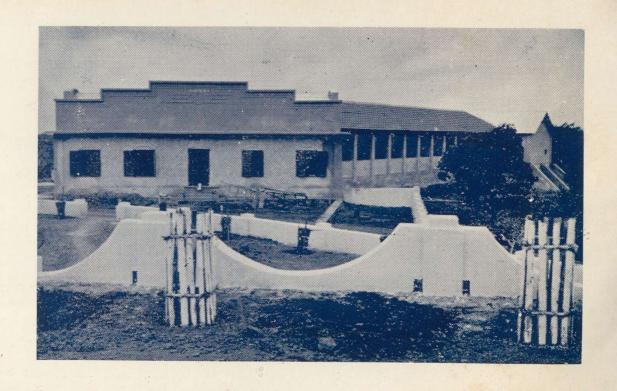
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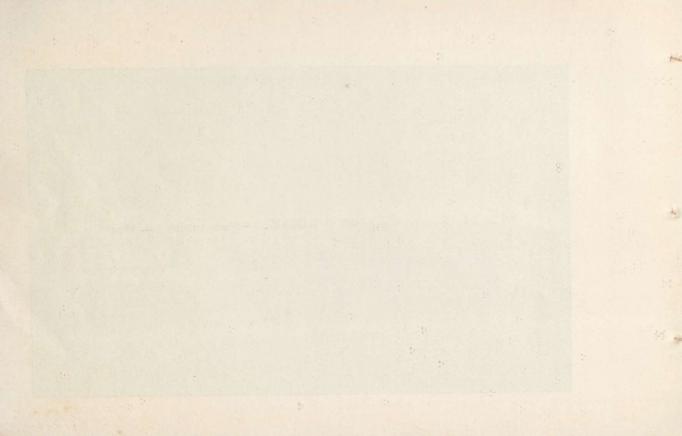




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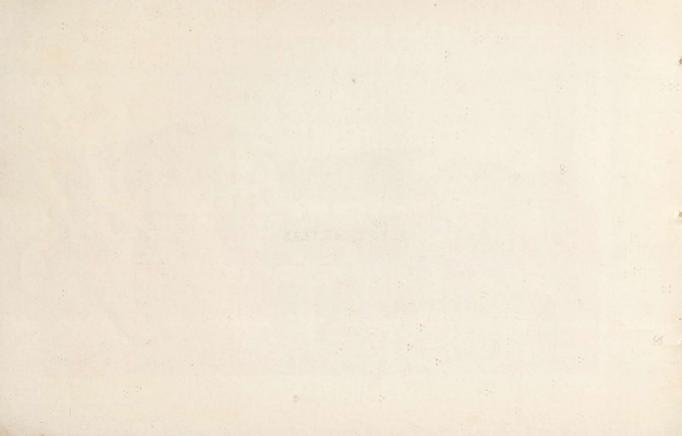




St. JOSEPH and NEW MAN HOSTELS - from behined - 1956

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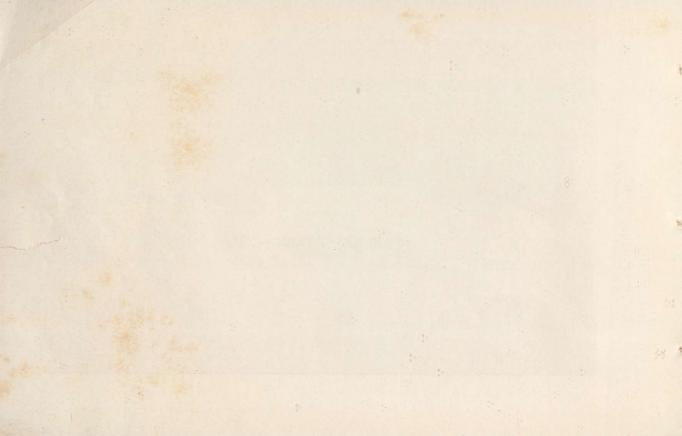




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