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In looking through the pages of this list one is pleased to find a good number of articles which originated in the Philippines. While apologies may be due to some authors for the oversight