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The IMF committee headed by Mr. Zaglan will recommend devaluation. We cannot accept this.

Osmeña filed a protest against me in the Presidential Electoral Commission yesterday. This will give us a chance to reveal what the Liberals did in the last election.

Gov. Licaros of the Central Bank informs me that the IMF team is meeting them tomorrow at 10:00 A.M. So the Fiscal Policy Committee will see me here at the hospital at 8:30 A.M.

Amb. Addis of the United Kingdom is coming to bid goodbye at 10:00 A.M.

The boys, Vincent Pacto, Teodoro Cruz, Joe Campos, Danny Roque, all report that there is still rampant smuggling and long collection at the Customs and the BIR.

We will have to revamp the two offices or change the tax collection system. I have already authorized tax collection by the banks of some taxes.

An elite team of young idealists can check on the payment of taxes of all goods in stores.

In the export offices the subordinate personnel are still collecting or clearing money from exporters. We must stop this by catching some of them in the act.

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The Manila Times has become completely vicious. There are three false stories in its front page today: the headline of an alleged arms smuggling including a northern congressman and a chinese millionaire, the alleged offer by me to Villareal of the Secretaryship of Defense to placate him on the upcoming fight and the alleged resignation en masse of the Phil. Japan Institute because of my daughter Gloria. Of the Europa of the Evening News — the ungrateful cad. When he needed a job, he came begging. Now he is mean and carping.

So are almost all the columnists.

I intend to ignore these developments as usual and will turn to Television more and more.

So I intend to order a bulletin fortnightly where we can express our government position and a weekly or bi-weekly telecast by Pres Garcia on the same. We must keep a well integrated indexed file of all government positions.

I will go to television with the Talkathon format on the eve of elections answering questions from the public in the audience or sent in by telephone.