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FOREWORD

Finally, after three years since the relaunch of *The Archive*, our first regular issue is here.

This issue consists of three original works and a translation, covering the domains of theoretical and descriptive linguistics, and the interaction among linguistics, history, and ethnology.

Ivan Paul M. Bondoc's work *Relativization Asymmetries in Philippine-Type Languages: A Preliminary Investigation* seeks to confirm earlier claims on restrictions in argument extraction in Philippine-type voice languages. The study supports the findings of previous works that the pivot argument is the most accessible element for relativization. At the same time, it provides evidence that the non-pivot agent in some of the languages studied can also undergo relativization.

In the paper *Focus and Aspect in Iraya Mangyan Verbs*, Elsie Marie T. Or shows how focus and aspect marking in this endangered Philippine language have shifted from mainly synthetic means through affixation to a combination of both synthetic and analytic means. She highlights further how context is important in the interpretation of aspect.

Using techniques from both linguistics and history, Ruchie Mark D. Pototanon in the article *Reimagining Panabon: Exploring the Nexus of Time and Weather in Philippine Languages* seeks to shed light on how the concepts of time and weather belong to a single domain, through an examination of time and weather-related terms in twelve Philippine languages. He also posits historical interactions among the various language groups as evidenced by instances of possible borrowings among them.

The last article in this issue is Frances Antoinette Cruz's English translation¹ of Otto Scheerer's² 1906 German work "Zur Ethnologie der Inselkette zwischen Luzon and Formosa" (*On the Ethnology of the Island Chain between Luzon and Formosa*). After more than a century since its original publication, non-German

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² Scheerer served as head of the Department of Oriental Languages (currently the Department of Linguistics) of the University of the Philippines in 1924. He was also editor of *The Archive* from 1924 to 1932.

speakers interested in this work can now read about Scheerer’s ideas about the peoples of this island chain based on his review of existing works on the area.

These works are proofs that Philippine languages and dialects are worth studying — to inform theory, to record history, to learn about history and the cultures and interactions among our peoples. We hope that these works inspire more people to engage in linguistic scholarship and make available “such valuable information as lies as yet untouched or hidden within the confines of our archipelago, and which can be brought to light by nobody better than by properly guided students hailing from the very speech-groups that are of interest to science”³.

The completion of this issue faced various challenges — the biggest of which is the COVID-19 pandemic. My utmost respect to the authors for their dedication and patience to continue their work despite the ongoing situation. My gratitude to our reviewers whose insights helped shape the current form of the articles. A big *thank you* — to the very small “*pool*” of *The Archive* team for their untiring work; and to the Department of Linguistics for believing that this can be done.

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³ Otto Scheerer, “Introduction,” *The Archive: A Collection of Papers Pertaining to Philippine Linguistics* (Manila, 1924). Paper No. 3. On Scheerer: Manuel, *Dictionary of Philippine Biography*, II: 350-54. In Mojares, R. B. (2006). *Brains of the Nation: Pedro Paterno, T.H. Pardo de Tavera, Isabelo de los Reyes and the Production of Modern Knowledge*. Ateneo de Manila University Press.

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