TIMELINE: HISTORY OF JOURNALISM IN THE PHILIPPINES

1637

Tomas Pinpin launches Successos Felices – the first Philippine newsletter, written in Spanish (14 pages on current events)

1799

Pinpin publishes Aviso Al Publico (Hojas Volantes) – serves as a "town crier" for the Spaniards

AUGUST 8, 1811

Gov. Fernandez del Forgueras launches Del Superior Govierno – first regularly issued newspaper; runs until 1832 with 15 issues

DECEMBER 1, 1846

La Esperanza – the first daily newspaper – is launched; lasts 3 years

1847

La Estrella is established

1848

Diario de Manila is founded; becomes government's daily organ in 1852 (renamed Boletin Oficial de Filipinas), permanently closes in 1898

1862

Mariano Sevilla founds El Catolico Filipino – first Philippine religious newspaper not managed by the Church

1865

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APRIL 1, 1887

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