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PALAMA WINS SIXTH AROUND OAHU MARATHON RELAY

Palama Settlement regained its position as the premier marathon club in the territory Sunday, January 15, when Louis Mendonca's Winged "P" road-running stars won the sixth around-Oahu marathon relay from a brilliant field in the fast time of 8 hours, 24 minutes, 25.7 seconds for the 83-mile grind, only 2 minutes behind the record set by Waipahu in 1938. Citywide A.C. was second, more than a mile behind, followed by Kalihi Valley CYO, Waipahu Plantation, and Kahuku Plantation-CCC in the order named.

The race developed into a two-way battle between Palama and Citywide after the 32-mile mark, which was waged bitterly right into the final lap. At this point, Citywide was running some 150 yards ahead of Palama and a surprisingly strong Kalihi Valley CYO squad, a lead gained through the brilliant effort of Frank Sherwood, who had wiped the record for the lead-off assignment in sensational style. However, Rufino Vega carried the Palama banner ahead of the pack by great running, but Citywide's Bob Strohnlin retrieved the advantage with a record-smashing accomplishment. Kalihi Valley CYO was left far behind as Citywide and Palama began to turn on the heat. The orange-jerseyed Citywiders held Strohnlin's margin until Albert Chun nipped Jenkins to give Rocha a small lead at Waihiawa. Rocha increased the distance slightly to give Paul Torres a 25-yard start over Citywide at the next change station as the Pal contingent went wild.

Torres became the toast of the Westside stable by turning in a spectacular piece of running at this critical stage of the race to give Palama a half-mile advantage. He was the real climax runner of the day, producing when the chips were down. Scenting victory for the first time in three years, the Pals fought frenziedly to maintain Torres' lead and succeeded in glorious fashion.

More than 15,000 people witnessed the classic, which was easily the greatest yet staged. Large and highly partisan crowds caused traffic jams at Kahuku, Waialeale School, Sea View Inn, Waihiawa, Ewa Junction, and at the finish line in greeting the runners. Waipahu's band came all the way from the country to entertain the huge throng gathered at the Settlement to see the finish of the race.

Eight lap records went by the boards as the greatest assemblage of marathon stars ever grouped together locally assaulted the best marks made in five years of competition. Citywide accounted for three, Palama two, Waipahu two, and Kahuku-CCC one. Sherwood (Citywide) created a new mark for lap 1, and Hirayama (Palama) cracked the record for lap 7, to inspire a sparkling quartet of performances which began on the 9th lap, when Bajadalli (Palama) clipped two seconds off Albert Chun's long-standing criteria. Strohnlin and Lee (Citywide), and Duarte (Kahuku-CCC) followed this up with record-smashing feats on laps 10, 11, and 12 respectively. Waipahu's Nigre broke the standard for the 16th assignment by more than a minute, and Gouveia erased Tamanaha's mark for the anchor lap to brighten Waipahu's dismal showing to a considerable degree.

Handsome trophies were presented to all five teams immediately following the race by Dr. Philip S. Platt, director of the Settlement. Dr. Platt congratulated the teams and their coaches for finishing the grind in such fine shape, and also the record breakers. The heartfelt thanks of the Settlement were given all officials and others who helped to make the event the success it was.

Members of the championship Palama team and the order in which they ran were Manuel Perry, Sawai, Morales, Tanaka, Hironaka, Hooper, Hirayama, Vega, Bajadalli, Robello, Suga, Kozawa, Alameda, DeLuize, Chun, Rocha, Torres, Kaopua, Muraoka, and Norman Tamanaha. Morales and Suga are deaf and dumb mutes, but they wrote their names down in the Pal record books through sheer "guts."

Boys' Activities

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PAIS TO TACKLE RAINBOWS IN CAGE TILT WED.

Coach Fil Marvin's Palama senior cagers will tackle University of Hawaii's Roaring Rainbows in the feature game of the ASUH league opening twin-bill this Wednesday evening, January 18, at the UH gym. The Coca Cola quintet will stack up against a star-studded Hoffman Cafe outfit in the curtain raiser. heavy

Luke Gill's varsity rules a/favorite to down the Winged "P" flyers, but Marvin's charges are maintaining an optimistic attitude. The Pals whipped University of Hawaii 43-32 last year.

The ASUH league is divided into two sections of five teams each, and is considered the fastest civilian cage circuit in the islands. Three teams will be selected from each division at the end of the regular schedule to show in a championship round-robin.

Comprising "A" league are Cromwell Hawaiians, University of Hawaii, Confederate Life Insurance Company, Palama, and Aiea. Teams in "B" section are Dragons, Hoffman Cafe, Elks, Japanese A.A., and Coca Cola.

PATTER

Feminine Compliment: "My dear, what a perfectly stunning gown! Didn't they have it in your size?"

He plays a fair game of golf - if you watch him.

As non-political as a pair of socks - neither Left nor Right.

BOYS' CLUB NEWS

Shop Classes Shop Classes under Mr. Griffiths will be resumed after a rest of six months every Wednesday night from 7:00 to 8:30 o'clock, beginning January 18. All boys are invited to attend.

Since there are no club activities on Wednesday nights, most Palama boys should be able to attend. The shop will be better than ever before. More shop tools, equipment, and lumber will be added. Cabinets and shelves will also be added to house the tools.

More craft classes will be opened in the future; probably classes in leathercraft, wood-carving, linoleum, and model aeroplanes.

Clubhouse Changes Raymond Choo's office at the boys' clubhouse is being renovated. A new desk, shelves, cabinets, and other office equipment will be at his disposal soon. Recently, the old kitchen sink and other miscellaneous things were removed from the boys' gameroom, enlarging it considerably. The room was also repainted.

It won't be long before the boys' clubhouse will get a much needed radio-phonograph combination. A demonstrating model is now in Mr. Lee's office.

A piano is now upstairs in the boys' clubroom, thanks to the girls' department which willingly gave it up. Thanks is also due Dr. Platt, who had the piano repaired.

Self-Government A self-governing body, a boys' council, will soon be set up, it was decided by boys' club leaders at their regular meeting held Wednesday, January 11. The council will consist of three divisions, a Midget, Junior, and a Senior group, each with its own officers. It was also decided that two members from each club shall be elected into the council, which will be a clearing house for all general boys' problems.

Leaders' Meeting A parole officer from the Board of Industrial School will speak at the Leaders' Council meeting Wednesday, January 18, to prepare the leaders for their visit to the Waialeale Training School at 1:00 p.m. Sunday, January 22.

Boys' club leaders held their monthly meeting last night in the Settlement cafeteria. Coffee and doughnuts were served.

Girls' News

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AROUND THE SETTLEMENT

If you do not know the meaning of "philatelist" you had better look it up in the lexicon (try that one too) right now for that is the word that made Miss Voeller of the Dental Department meet her Waterloo at the last True or False Contest on K.G.U. The Palama team of Captain Tilton, Voeller, Loo, Eastham and Bostrum did alright against Howdy Reynolds, Mr. Majors and the insurance "big shots". After the third round of questions only one man survived to contest the three remaining members of the Ladies of Palama. However, after Mrs. Bostrum fell down on "plebiscite" and Dr. Loo stumbled over "quadroon" Miss Voeller was left alone to match her wits against the all star insurance agent. The men won however, and cashed in for five bright silver dollars prize money from sponsors Williams and Company. We bet that benchwarmer Newsom was saying her prayers for fear that all members of the Palama team would not show up and she would have to "pinch hit". Consolation prize goes to Mrs. Bostrum who answered in the negative to the question of whether or not a plebiscite is a popular democratic vote. According to students of "polyscience" (look what that contest has done to your reporter) and as evidenced by conditions in Germany, a plebiscite is not always popular or democratic---it can and is also forced voting.

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The new spring program of the Girls' Department got off to a good start last night despite the dampness. Enrollment for beginners in the art of "ami" and "wehe" stands at 17 with the seasoned dancers numbering 13 on the first night. Miss Ontai's Monday evening lauhala class is finding favor with the senior crowd who now have a choice of three classes in one evening. The popular flower arrangement class has been postponed till February 6th. (Teachers will get married, you know.) Mrs. Bostrum's wood work class for girls has 8 enrolled and the class limit is 12--so woodworkers had better take note. A number of midget and junior girls reported for hula last night--so someone didn't study the new program. Sorry girls--only so much money you know, and we can't have hula and tap at the same time. So it's tap this term--on Wednesday, at 4:30 in the gym and at 6:30 in the playground pavilion.

CLUB CHATTER

Are you interested in joining a club of active junior high girls? If you are, there's nothing like the Tsubaka Kai (according to the club secretary and leader). The girls plan a picnic late in this month as a start off for the new year. If you are interested in a group with a peppy program call on Mrs. Pitman and we'll get properly introduced and acquainted.

..... Tsubaki Kai

With a successful dance stowed away in the club treasury the Senior Social Club bids fair to sponsor an enticing program of activities in the new year. The girls are holding their first party on Friday evening at 7:45 p.m. in the girls' clubrooms. Admittance by invitation only. However, all club members have a few extra "invites" so contact your senior club girl friends. This week's meeting launched a number of new club projects. The girls completed their party plans and then adjourned to learn a bit of hula in the new beginners' class in the cottage with instructor Mina Ku. Did we say "beginners"? If so--we're doubtful of the amateur standing of some of those "rolls"! After an hour's work out, the gang was still fresh and full of pep--so they settled the election of officers for the year. Cecilia Cho will steer the club with the assistance of vice-president, Grace Kim. Clara Haraki has charge of funds and reports and Mary Ho will do the strong arm duties of club sergeant at arms.

..... C. H.

Twilight Juniors and Korean Seniors braved the storm last night and picniced at Waikiki regardless. However, only nine brave souls reported at 5:00 p.m. and bus driver, Harold Nacimiento reports that they rattled around "right smart". The timid club girls who let the storm clouds cheat them out of an evening of fun will be annoyed to learn that skies were clear till on the way home about 8:30--so there!

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