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PAL JUNIORS CROWNED 140# BAREFOOT CHAMPIONS OF OAHU

Head-coach Mike Shizuru's hard-hitting crew of Pal Juniors were handed the Oahu 140# barefoot football title on a silver platter when the Police G-Men forfeited their scheduled game with the Pals Sunday, October 17th. Faced with a flurry of injuries in his squad, Coach Stevenson of the G-Men was forced to toss in the proverbial "towel" in a letter written to Henry Yamasaki, league director, last Tuesday, thereby erasing the final opportunity of tripping the league-leading West-siders.

Prior to the default, the G-Men and Wahiawa outfits had been conceded outside chances of besting the Crimson Tide to the finish. However, the 1937 Citywide-Palama 140# championship race is now history.

The Pals loomed as heavy pre-season favorites to cop the 140# flag away back in September when team rosters were first made public. Flashing virtually the identical line-up which blasted everything before their path in 1935, and abetted by star barefooters from the disbanded Pawas team, the Pal Juniors entered their initial encounter on September 19th against the Hawaiian Divers "cinches" to make a walkaway of the game. Dame Fortune refused to smile on the big Marcon team. The winged "P" gladiators were forced to the limit in squeezing out a 13-0 win from the surprisingly tough Divers after four quarters of bruising football. It was a costly victory, as no less than two regulars were seriously injured and several others rendered hors decombat.

Crippled and considerably weakened in its 1937 debut, the Pal juggernaut took the field against the hard-charging Wahiawa eleven, only a skeleton of the powerful team which took the Inter-Island championship, but with its fighting spirit flemed to a pitch. The Pals repulsed Wahiawa 9-0 in a driving rain and on a muddy field in a slashing battle. Held scoreless in the first half, Palema came back with a spectacular rally in the next two periods to register its second victory. Joe Wong blocked a punt early in the third quarter for a safety to give his team a big advantage. Wahiawa threw caution to the winds in the dying moments of the game, tossing passes with reckless abandon. Tsukiyama intercepted a flank pass and raced 55 yards to a touchdown with the whole Pal team running interference to sew up the game.

Then came the battle with the Police G-Men, a meeting of two barefoot giants with unblemished records. Touted as favorites to win before the game, the G-Men were a surprised and bruised outfit when the smoke had cleared. The Pals tallied twice in rapid succession in the opening quarter and then coasted through the remainder of the game on their 13-0 margin. "Mongoose" Leandro electrified the 3,000 or so fans with a spectacular 60 yard jaunt into the promised land on the fifth play of the tussle to completely demoralize the opposition. "Stone" Tsukiyama followed this up by piercing right guard for a score after Aila had blocked and recovered a punt on the G-Men two-yard stripe. The scintillating victory firmly established the Pals as the outstanding 140 aggregation on the Island and incidentally gave them the first round title.

Coach Shizuru's charges really went to town in their second meeting with the Divers. The waterfront boys were buried under a 33-7 deluge as the Westsiders passed and ran them dizzy. Fully recovered from injuries, the Pals were ready to tear up the league when Yamasaki's announcement went to press.

Throughout the campaign, the slashing line play of the Pals, especially that of Joe Wong, Wah Tim Leong, and Shigeru Fujikawa, were deciding factors in their triumphs. Leandro, Tomita, and Aila were peerless backs. Henry Lee, Kupahu, Castro, Sun Fo Wong, McKee, Nascimento, Enos, Kim, Sawai, Townsend, Collier, Alapai, Lenchanko, Ikehara, Tsukiyama, Puualoa, and Song comprised the rest of the Pal Junior roster - the greatest 140 # barefoot ball club on Oahu.

Girls'activities

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GIRLS FINALLY GET AWARDS

Lulu Kea, Florence Akamine and Frances Taum have finally received their winner ribbons for the Duke Kahanamoku Outdoor Meet last spring. The girls and Mrs. West had just about given up hope but the bright ribbons were delivered to Palema today and the girls add another honor to their growing collection.

SCHOOL SWIM CLUBS

School swim clubs are settling down to a regular schedule now that all the health inspections have been completed. Palama appreciates the cooperation of the schools and swimmers in making possible a complete medical check on every girl using the tank. This is the first year that Palama has been able to take such precautions and we are proud to report that not a single girl has been refused the privilege of swimming at Palama.

Keiulani leads in the girls' division with 91 swimmers enrolled for instruction. Likelike has 66 girls enrolled and Kauluwela rates third with 27 swim club members. The girls are making splendid progress and we expect a nice crew of midget swimmers next year.

WIN BEGINNER'S BUTTONS

Six Kaiulani girl swimmers lead off this year with the first Red Cross Beginner's Buttons. Rosemae Noraki, Ellen Endo, Caroline Lee, Jean Yamasaki, Eleanor Uenaka and Elsie Shirabe qualified for the beginners awards last swim club class and their names have been registered with the American Red Cross.

The tests will be continued and it will be interesting to discover which school can register the most girls for Beginner's buttons.

ANOTHER GIRLS CLUB

Palama girls clubsare growing by leaps and bounds this year. With 15 clubs already listed Mrs. Pitman reports the organization of a new Filipino Club meeting Wednesdays at 3:00 p.m. The girls had 10 members at their club meeting last week and visitors crowded the doors to get a peek at the clever Filipino games the girls were playing.

The girls department is proud to offer a welcoming hand to this latest addition to our club program!

LITTLE PALS TO REORGANIZE

Little Pels, a Palama girls club which has been discontinued during the summer, will start plens for reorganization Friday evening, October 22nd. Formerly, this group of girls was very active at Palama but changes of leaders and vacation activities threatened to find Little Pals among the missing clubs this year. However, the girls are rounding up their friends and followers and Lulu Kea promises a good turn-out for the first meeting.

DRAMATICS

With a change in meeting dates the dramatic club has sprung to new life and 14 girls reported to Miss Aitken Saturday afternoon. Everyone agrees that Miss Aitken certainly "knows her stuff" and we are expecting a rapid increase in the attendance at this activity. The class is meeting in the art room at 2 p.m. Saturday afternoon and boys and girls 8 years and older are invited to join. Why not try your luck at this "acting business" --- it's fun and easy with Miss Aitken's help.

ART CLASS

Twelve girls piled into the bus Saturday afternoon and hurried down to the Academy for the first meeting of the new Art Class sponsored by Palama in cooperation with the Honolulu Academy of Arts. The girls were delighted with the excellent equipment and pleasant class room at the the Academy and returned to Palama with "tall tales" of the things they learned. Gladys Yuen is acting as leader for the class and will meet members at Palama each Saturday at 12:30 and drive them down to the Academy. Mrs. Watson is anxious to enroll a group of 20 children so there are a few more scholarships to be awarded. If you or your friends are interested see Miss Newsom before 5 o'clock Friday.

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TO A FAT LADY SEEN FROM THE TRAIN

0 why do you walk through the fields in gloves

Missing so much and so much?

O fat white woman whom nobody loves

Why do you walk through the fields in gloves

When the grass is soft as the breast of doves

And shivering-sweet to the touch?

O why do you walk through the fields in gloves

Missing so much and so much?

....Frances Conford

(A gem from The Oxford Book of Modern Verse edited by William B. Yeats)

JUST A FEW LINES TO FRANCES CONFORD:

I am the lady - white and fat
Who wore the gloves - so what of that?
Well, as I walked in the fields serene
I never imagined I was seen
By a "modern poet" who earns his bread
By the caustic wit in his rotund head
And I am glad as can be
That I saw him not, when he saw me
For his critical, smirking, ugly face
Would have cast a blight o'er the lovely
place

Happy am I that I know not such - Who think so <u>little and sneer</u> so much

.....Pearl B. Owen

(P.S. - If Frances is a lady poet - it still goes)

ENTRIES TAKEN FOR PAL OPEN TENNIS TOURNEY

Amateur racquet-wielders who aspire to emulate the antics of Don Budge, Von Cramm, and other tennis greats will have an opportunity to show their wares when Palama Settlement's big Open Tennis Tournament swing into action. The competition, a strictly membership affair, will open as soon as sufficient entries are received. Members planning to play in the tourney are urged to sign up in the recreation office immediately.

PAL HARRIERS SET FOR ROAD RACING SEASON

Winged P harriers assembled last Sunday morning, October 17th in the Palama auditorium to discuss plans for the coming marathon season which will officially start with the Diamond Head five-mile run on New Year's Day. Wilber Wood and Louis Mendonca, Settlement coaches, greeted a star-studded galaxy headed by Norman Tamanaha, climax Palama runner, and Burton Hooper, former Outrigger Club kingpin.

Westside marathoners ran off with the 1937 Diamond Head team-trophy and placed second behind Waipahu in the third annual Around-Oahu marethon relay. Norman Tamanaha and Willie Phillips provided the season's greatest thrills by finishing one in the New Year's classic ahead of Waipahu's famed Walter Gouveia.

All indications point to another banner year for the Settlement runners, what with the same stable back in harness; plus new prospects, and all eager to hit the road.

SLC CAGERS TO STRUT IN PAL GYM TULSDAY

The Saint Louis College Alumni Association will sponsor its annual basketball tournament at the Palama gym with twin attractions every Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

PAL JUNIORS TO PLAY MAUI CHAMPS FOR TITLE

Palama Settlement's Oahu 140 # barefoot champions will engage winners of the Maui County league for the Inter-Island title early next month at the Honolulu Stadium. The Pals annexed the Inter-Isla crown in 1935 by repulsing Lahaina-Luna 13-0.