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PALAMA PUBLISHES NEW MAGAZINE

"Open Door" Is Answer To Widespread Demand

Something new has been added to Palama—and this is it! The *Open Door* will be distributed every two months to Palama's 1,200 members, their families and old and new friends of the Settlement.

This news bulletin has been created to serve a purpose. This first issue, Number 1, Volume 1, is reaching you because of the demand for a magazine of this type to tie all of Palama's many activities into a neat little package delivered to your door. The thinking behind it says that then you'll know everything that's going on.

Unfortunately, that's not entirely possible. There's just *too much* going on! With 17 buildings on 10 acres of land in the Vineyard St. location and 17 acres and more than 30 buildings at "Palama-By-The-Sea," even the staff can't keep track of everything that's happening!

But we'll do our best and who knows—with your *kokua* we might succeed!

In any case, give us a hand. We'd really like to talk to you or at least hear from you, about the *Open Door*. We want your criticisms, your suggestions for improving it. We're not bashful, so fire away!

Besides, if things get too bad and you start coming after us with a baseball bat we can always blame it on Ted Rhea—he's leaving and won't be able to defend himself!

"Why the name, *Open Door*?" is a question a lot of you will probably be asking, or at least wondering about. Well, this bulletin had to have a name. We couldn't call it the "whatsit," or "that thing" (although some of you probably will if we don't print what you think *should* be printed). And the administra-



tion building's front door is a famous landmark in Honolulu. It's architecturally a beautiful job. That's the 'open door' pictured on this cover.

But the open door we really mean is more than a piece of wood. It's the door at Palama that's always open to many interesting and valuable classes, clubs, athletic programs, games and a great variety of activities. It's the doorway that's always open to friendship and fun, help and sympathetic understanding.

And it's open to everyone, at all times. Regardless of age, sex, race or creed,

everyone is welcome at Palama. And there's always room for one more.

If you know someone who's interested in Palama and isn't on the mailing list to receive this bulletin, a phone call or penny post card giving his name and address will fix that.

We hope you'll enjoy this first issue of the *Open Door*. If you do, tell us about it. If you *don't*, tell us about it. If you think some changes should be made, tell us about *them*.

Remember, the door is always open to *you*!

A Community Chest Agency

DOCTOR DAWE ATTENDS CONVENTION

John H. Dawe, director of the Strong-Carter Dental Clinic, attended the 46th annual meeting of the Hawaii Territorial Dental Society at Lihue, Kauai, October 28 to 31, and reports a large and enthusiastic turnout for this convention which featured talks by Dr. R. C. Dagleish, Utah's director of Dental Health.

During the course of the convention, Dr. Dagleish was awarded an honorary membership in the Society. Only one other person, Mrs. Helen Strong Carter, has received this honor during the 46 years of the Society's existence.

For the statistical minded, the Strong-Carter Dental Clinic's annual report for 1947 has been released and reveals dental service was provided to 2,993 children, with over 21,000 fillings, 5,000 treatments and 1,000 extractions.

Dr. Dawe reports that the clinic has been working closely, during the past year, with both the DPI and Palama, to which it annually makes a grant to cover administration and clerical expenses.

Pre-school Party

Parents and children of the Pre-School unit will join in a basket lunch and Christmas party at 6 P.M., Friday, December 10, with all parents invited.

Fathers and children will decorate the school for the annual Hanging of the Greens, and the entire group will join the procession as it wends its way through Palama to inspect the results.

Chest Expansion . . . ? Not This Year

The Honolulu Community Chest's contribution to Palama will probably have to be pared again this year, due to the failure of the Chest to reach its goal of \$812,000 during the annual October campaign.

The Chest's board of directors had ticketed \$71,082 as Palama's share of the funds collected from the drive. As only \$695,000 has been donated up to this time, most of the 29 Red Feather agencies will be forced to make out with less, as best they can.

The Community Chest is already working on plans for next year's campaign, according to Reginald W. Carter, manager, "so that we'll be able to go over the top in '49."

Christmas Activities Spur Group Work Dept.

Many Clubs Plan Parties

As the Christmas holidays approach, frenzied activity is seen on all sides at Palama, with clubs, classes and groups of all ages, sizes and sexes making ready for the annual round of traditional celebrations.

The largest and generally most lavish festivals are included in that federation of activities known as the Group Work and Recreation Department.

Paul Anderson, director of GW & R, reports a full schedule of Yuletide makahikis, with activities ranging from individual club parties and camping expeditions to full-scale jamborees with a number of groups cooperating to insure the success of large dances and parties.

An incomplete list of Christmas celebrations in this department includes:

Young Adult Council Christmas Party on December 17 at 7 P.M. Eight clubs represented on the Council will participate. Member clubs are the Castlettes, Boy Scout Explorer's Post No. 30, Green Ring, Hui Launas, Na Aliis, Pal Ramblers, Sea Scout Ship No. 30 and Vignettes.

Na Aliis Club will have their own party the night of December 21.

Both the Black Pirates Club and the Hermits Club will use the facilities of

Palama-By-The-Sea for a four-day camping session, December 27-30.

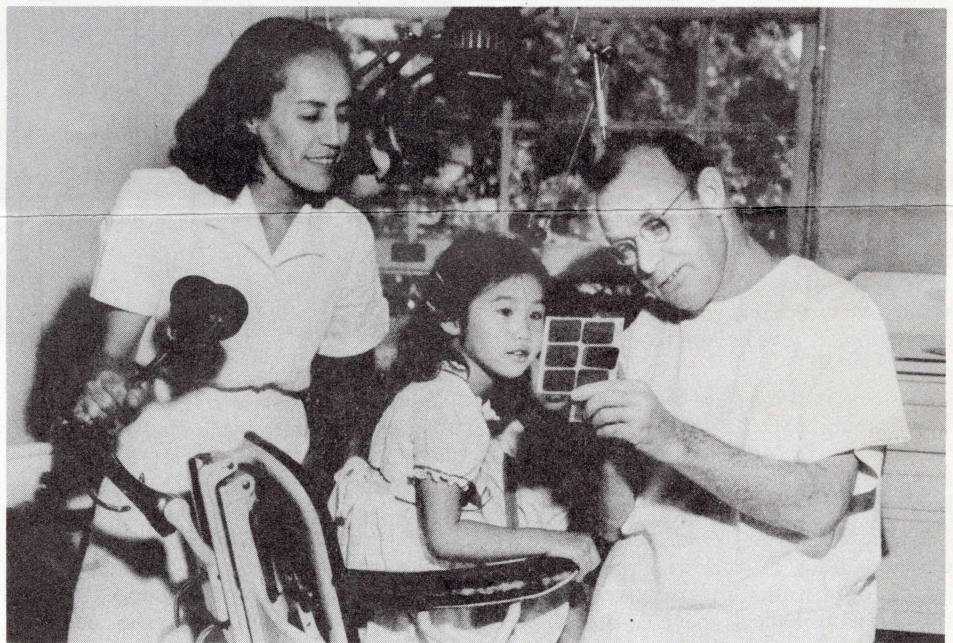
Palama Businessmen's Club will again celebrate the holidays with their annual Christmas Party for members and their families. The date is still to be decided upon.

Paul Anderson actively aids and encourages all such activities as these, pointing out that "education is a continuous process and does not stop when school is over for the afternoon, or take time out for the Christmas holidays."

"As a matter of fact," he continued, "properly supervised gatherings of friends for parties of this type often prove to be more valuable in teaching democracy-in-action and how to get along with others, surely two of the most important things one can learn, than a formal educational institution's instructions in these arts."

"When one is relaxed and in friendly surroundings with neighbors and friends, the mind is open and impressionable. Talking things over and getting along with one another, cooperatively planning an event, these things are all part of the education of a well-rounded person."

Mr. Anderson concluded, "Palama promises the facilities and is delighted so many group and individuals are able to take advantage of them."



SEE? THAT'S WHAT WE'LL DO! says Dr. John H. Dawe, director of the Strong-Carter dental clinic to an interested patient. Equally interested onlooker is Miss Annie H. Kerr, X-ray technician who has been with the clinic since 1930—18 exciting years.—PHOTO HAWAII

It's Your Palama . . .



PERSONALITIES: *within the door . . .*

MISS DOROTHY CHUN

Born in Honolulu and a graduate of Wheaton College (Ill.) Conservatory of Music, this kamaaina joined Palama's staff in 1947. She was appointed director of the Music School this last summer, taking the place of Mrs. Alice Barnes.

Miss Chun worked four years for radio station WMBI in Chicago and toured the Mainland as a member of Wheaton's outstanding choral group.

With the aid of three other staffers, Miss Hope Troyer, Mrs. Ruth H. Gallegos and Mrs. Fred Hedeman, she instructs 82 students in the gentle arts of playing the piano, singing and interpretive dancing.

Miss Chun's policy of making her classes in the theory of music and harmony required subjects for all students is a departure from the usual music school method of teaching, and one that promises to pay off in dividends of increased enjoyment, appreciation and musical skill for the four-score budding prodigies under her wing.

The *Open Door* salutes Miss Dorothy Chun! May all her notes be on key!

Palama Reorganizes

"Palama must change with changing conditions, or be left behind!"

This fact, faced by the board of trustees of the Settlement, has led to the complete reorganization of Palama along new lines.

For many years PS provided important health services to Honolulu. It pioneered and developed the present nursing, tuberculosis and venereal disease programs. One by one, these services were turned over to the Board of Health and the hospitals.

At the same time new services have been added. A pre-school unit was started in 1942 and is now working at top capacity. The now flourishing music school was started in 1946. "Palama-By-The-Sea," the camp at Waialua, has been rehabilitated and in fairly constant operation since the army returned it to PS after the war. The entire leisure-time and educational programs have been overhauled and enlarged.

A committee set up by the board of trustees in December 1947 has been studying the work Palama does and the role it plays in the community, and has now suggested ways and means in which the work it *should* be doing *can* be carried out.

The committee, under the leadership of Lee Ward, now the president of the

Rhea Leaves Palama

Theodore R. Rhea, director of Palama for the past six years, leaves this month to assume his new duties as director of the Cancer Society.

The new head man has not yet been chosen. The board of trustees have been considering a number of applications for the past several weeks.

Ted Rhea came to Palama from the territorial Tuberculosis Association in 1942.

The past six years have been pleasant and progressive ones for Palama. The old emphasis on health and medical work has changed as the Board of Health and the individual hospitals have been able to take over those duties.

With new needs arising, Palama under Ted Rhea's direction, has proved flexible enough to adjust its services to meet these needs.

Mr. Rhea's work, before assuming direction of Palama, was primarily in the preventive health field, first investigating leprosy, then as Health Director of the DPI, finally with the TB association. He feels he will be able to make better use of his talents by returning to the public health field.

The staff, the board of trustees and all who make use of Palama's services and know Mr. Rhea have expressed their regret at his leaving and have wished him the greatest possible success in his new job.

The *Open Door* would like to inject an editorial note here and wish him the same.

Aloha and mahalo, Ted Rhea.

board, redefined Palama's purposes by stating it should expand its present program and at the same time pioneer new services whenever there is a need for them. It also recommended Palama should transfer existing services to other agencies whenever it is shown they can do a better job with them.

The staff and board of trustees itself is to be shaped to serve new conditions as they arise.

Dr. Shunzo Sakamaki, vice president of the board acting as president in Mr. Ward's absence and a close neighbor of Palama, said, "Members and friends of Palama play an important part in this reorganization program. Palama belongs to all of us. If we all take an active part and interest in it we need have no fear of its ability to grow and continue to serve the needs of all of us."

SPORTS . . .

Nelson Kawakami, who has been major domo in physical activities at Palama for the past several years, keeps an active program of sports going for all comers. Even with limited staff and funds, he has managed to serve many hundreds of boys and men during these tough years.

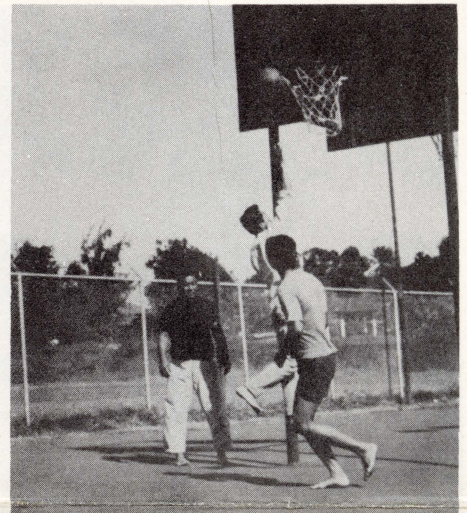
In football, the Pal Ramblers Club, coached by Spike Nakayama, represents Palama in the City-Wide Recreation league in the 130-pound class. They were runners-up in the league last year, but so far this year they're riding the Truman-train. In the 150-pound class, Iron-man Joe Kupahu is coaching the Monty Richards team to a successful season, with two wins and no defeats.

The Palama Community Baseball league this summer, sponsored by Palama Settlement, was bested by the I. L. W. U. team, with the Palama Sports Stars as runners-up.

Next on the list in competitive sports will be the Palama Novice basketball league, featuring the teen-age clubs in Palama. Among them will be The Hermits, Troop No. 30 of the Boy Scouts, Pal Babes, Hui O Palama Juniors and the Black Pirates. This league, starting about November 15, will be followed up by the Palama Senior Inter-Club league featuring the Na Alii's Club, Palama Sports Stars, the Pal Ramblers and the Hui O Palama Seniors.

Nelson also reports a growing interest in judo classes and in weight lifting. With the help of some of Palama's old-timers giving their kokua, these promise to be an important section of the phys-ed program. Jerry Tarutani teaches the younger boys in the "not-so-gentle-art" on Fridays and Saturdays. Jerry is a long-time member of Palama and one of its staunchest supporters. During the war,

his Judo Club known as Kalapalua O Ka Palama put on scores of judo demonstrations for the USO and the Army Special Services Division. For this, Jerry received outstanding recognition from the Army for his voluntary contribution to the war effort by entertaining and instructing servicemen throughout Oahu. The Club, which is temporarily disbanded, has also participated in many benefit performances in Palama and throughout the city for worthy causes.



BASKETBALL SEASON finds Nelson Kawakami out on the courts, passing out the instructions. Line forms on the right!—PHOTO HAWAII

THINGS TO COME

FRIDAY,	Dec. 10 . . . 6:00 P.M.—Parents night at pre-school
FRIDAY,	Dec. 10 . . . 7:30 P.M.—Annual hanging of the greens
WEEK OF:	Dec. 13-18 —Club Christmas Parties
FRIDAY,	Dec. 17 . . . 9:00 A.M.—Pre-school children's party; parents invited
FRIDAY,	Dec. 17 . . . 7:00 P.M.—Young Adult Council Christmas Party
SATURDAY,	Dec. 18 . . . 7:00 P.M.—Annual Christmas Party
MONDAY,	Dec. 20 . . . 7:30 P.M.—Music School Concert
TUESDAY,	Dec. 21 . . . 7:30 P.M.—Na Alii Club Christmas Party
THURSDAY,	Dec. 23 . . . 7:30 P.M.—Annual Christmas Pageant
MONDAY through	—Hermits Club
THURSDAY, Dec. 27-30	—Black Pirates Club—camping at Palama-by-the-Sea



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