

File Pre-school

REPORT ON MEETING OF PALAMA PRE-SCHOOL [Parents]
January 29, 1954

Report by Carnival-Rodeo Committee

Mrs. Lau, chairman of the committee, reported that \$778.50 worth of scripts were sold by the pre-school, although only \$500 worth of scripts were given to the school at the beginning. Kathleen Kanehira was presented with \$10 for selling \$160 worth of scripts and Rodney Lee, \$7.50 for selling \$100 worth of scripts. Both Kathleen and Rodney are students at the pre-school and should be congratulated?

Cash donations received for our sashin-barbecue booth totaled over \$60 and food donations amounted to about \$70. The expenses for our booth was less than \$200. Sales from the five days totaled \$882.30, leaving us a profit between \$600 to \$600.

Although our booth was a success, the carnival-rodeo was not successful as previously reported by Mr. Ehlers. All proceeds from the affair goes into the big pot and since the carnival-rodeo did not make money, there is no profit to be distributed to the various departments.

The pre-school is faced with a big problem of raising its own money for its budget. Although the parents were informed that there will not be a basaar this year, there is now an urgent need for one or a rummage sale. Insufficient help prevented the operation of the white elephant booth at the carnival-rodeo. The merchandise could be used at our basaar or rummage sale on Saturday, May 8th, the day selected for the project. The special committee is scheduled to meet this week to make plans. If there are any suggestions that the parents wish to make, please feel free to contact any of the members of the special committee who are: Mrs. Hidano, chairman, Mrs. Lau, Mrs. Shizuru, Mrs. Kanehira, and Mrs. Komoda.

Guest Speaker - "Children's Art"

Miss Harriet Johnson, creative art instructor at the University of Hawaii was the guest speaker for the evening. She showed the group paintings done by young children of various ages pointing out that a child is just trying to get the feel of the paint, brush and paper when he first tries painting; second, he will try designs; and third, he will try to be realistic. This is also true with wood work, clay, etc. Parents should take more interest in the items made by the children which are brought home. The children will be inspired to do more and will be very anxious to take their work home to show their parents.

Refreshments for Meetings

Some of the parents will be asked to help with the preparation of refreshments for our meetings. They could either buy or make cookies, cakes, or pastries to be served with drinks--tea or punch. The parents will be contacted by telephone a few days before the scheduled meeting.

Survey - Increasing Enrollment

In order to increase the school enrollment, a survey is being made of the parents. There are still many vacancies opened at the pre-school and should be filled. If the survey finds that there will be enough students to justify having longer hours, arrangements will be made to increase the hours. Enrollment is now open to children from three years old. The questionnaire, which is self-explanatory, should be answered and returned immediately.