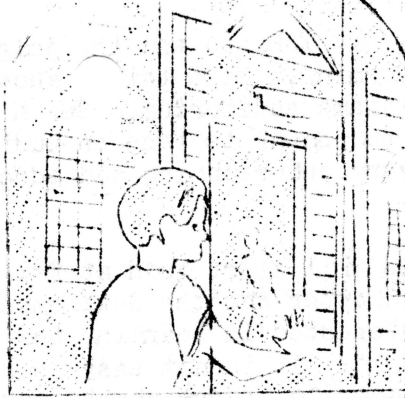


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Well, here we are again, folks, just as we promised last month. Only, we're a bit late in making our appearance but we hope to make up by giving you lots of good news. How does the saying go? "March comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb....?" Things have really been "poppin'" at the Settlement since our first edition and from the looks of it, instead of the month "going out like a lamb", it seems as though the lion has come to roost at Palama - but indefinitely! Without further ado, here is the news for March. We hope you'll enjoy reading it.

Girls' Day was celebrated at the Palama Pre-school on March 3, in honor of the traditional "Japanese Girls' Day" observed in the Cherry Blossom land. Hina dolls of various sizes and colors were put on display, much to the fascination of the pre-schoolers. Miss So, director, and her teachers told of the Japanese folk tales concerning girls' day in Japan. The children also went to Ala Moana Park to see the local doll show put on by the Board of Parks and Recreation. It seems not only the girls, but boys too, were surprised to see so many dolls all at the same time. They had a difficult time choosing the best doll and you would have, also, if you had to choose one out of hundreds of beautiful dolls.

For being such good little boys and girls, March's excursion trip was to Rico Ice Cream Company. There they learned at first hand how ice cream (yummy yum!) was made and packed to be sold at the various stores. All the pre-school children were greatly impressed as ice cream is their favorite item on the food list. And, each child was treated to a delicious Milk Nickel! Hmm-mm, wonder when they plan to visit the company again.....

Now that Easter is coming, the children are busily preparing for the event by making colorful eggs and baskets. They're planning to surprise their parents by taking home the baskets they made on Friday before Easter vacation.

The Annual Pre-school Bazaar has been set for Saturday, April 7. On March 9th, the PTA met to discuss plans for the Bazaar. There will be oodles and oodles of home-made pies, cakes, cookies, sushi rice, barbecue meat, Chinese pretzels, tempura and other delicious food. Rummage sale of different articles will be on. To name a few, dresses, clothes, hats, shoes, plants, etc. A note to the small fry: Refreshing shaved ice and soda pop will be plentiful. The date again is Saturday, April 7 for the Pre-School's Big Bazaar. Time - 11 am to 4 pm. Mark it down on your calendar. Hope to see all of you there!

"Music hath charm to soothe the savage breast." On March 16 at 7:30 pm, a varied musical program of woodwind instruments and the French Horn was put on by the Palama Music School. The artists on the program represented the Royal Hawaiian Band and the Honolulu Symphony Orchestra. In addition, three young musicians from the University of Hawaii sang and played the piano. All those who attended were much thrilled to hear and see the musicians and their instruments. The Music School wishes to acknowledge thanks to the three musical groups for their wonderful kokua. MAHALO!

The Inter-Club Basketball League was started at Palama on March 2 and will continue thru the month of April. The League is sponsored by the Athletic Department of the Settlement. The various Palama clubs in the League are: Hui O Palama, Crusaders, Pal Jrs., Ramblers, Creepers, Pals and Dragons. Two games are played each Wednesday and Friday evenings. The Creepers club is presently leading with two victories and no defeats. Come and see the games at the Palama gym and root for your favorite team. It's free and everyone's welcomed.

March's Talent Show winner is David Hauoli. For his ukulele solo, David was the recipient of a bag of groceries donated by Mr. Takaesu of the Likelike Store on Palama Street. Other performers were: James Numazu, trumpet player; Karen Yamaato and Estelle Yamada, hula numbers; Blaise Lai and Yolanda Diones, songs. Judges were: Hilda Costa, teenager; Miss Kay Buwalda, staff and Mr. Rodrigues, parent. The Group

Work department wishes to thank Mr. Takaesu and the judges for their cooperation, as well as the performers for performing. Next talk show and movies will be on Thursday, April 5th at 7 pm in the Palama auditorium. See Miss Casscells or Pat Oka if you think you've got talent or the spunk to face an audience. If not, come anyway to enjoy the movies. They're very entertaining and educational besides. They're free too!

New health and first aid classes will start soon at Palama under joint auspices of the American Red Cross, Hawaii Chapter and the Settlement. A home-nursing class for mothers and other adults interested in learning the best methods of caring for a sick person at home will be taught. It is not easy to bathe a person in bed, to feed a person flat on his or her back or to change sheets and clothing of a bed-ridden person. At this course, one will get to learn to do these things and more. Watch for the exact dates to appear in this paper. Two first aid classes will begin the month following Easter. One will be a morning first-aid class for mothers and others who are free in the mornings while the second will be an advanced course for those who have completed their standard first-aid course. The latter will be in the evening. A competent First-Aid instructor will conduct both classes. Telephone 83945 and leave your name, address and phone number with the operator if you are interested.

The Group Work Department's Annual Easter Camp is being held from March 21st thru the 24th. Approximately 35 children, boys and girls 9 to 13 years of age, are registered for this camp. Camp fees are \$4.00 for 4 days, food and transportation costs included. A free physical examination will be given all children attending camp prior to their departure. Four glorious days of fun and activities are in store for these youngsters. There'll be swimming, fishing, hiking, campfire, singing games, sports, and arts and crafts. Palama staff going to this Easter Camp are: May Buwalda, Olive Casscells, Margaret Iizaki, Jean Kitayama, Douglas Kodama and Pat Oka. The site of Easter Camp is Palama-by-the-Sea in Waialua, Oahu.

An Easter Party for children 6 to 12 years is scheduled for Tuesday, March 20, from 3 to 5 pm. Those with membership cards will be admitted free but others will be assessed 10¢ for refreshments. Hurry and get your tickets at the Group Work office before the 20th. Don't be a left-outer but get to the party and do have fun!

Mr. Pat Oka's Palama Dukes Club enjoyed a three-day camping trip to Palama-by-the-Sea on March 16, 17 and 18. Members who attended camp are: Ralph Atienza, Lozaro Domingo, August Moniz, Norman Wong, Timothy Chun, Robert Kalani and Freddie Takeshita. The boys hiked up to Pupukea mountains one afternoon. They fished on another day. One swell time was had by all the club members and their advisor. According to the boys, though, "three days" too short for a camp - we wanna stay for one whole month next time." Watch for Palama's summer camp dates, boys! Summer will soon be here...

Good news for teenagers! The Palama Canteen Easter Dance will be held on Thursday, March 22 from 7:30 to 11:30 pm in the Music School auditorium. Refreshments will be served and during intermission, there will be some entertainment. Dancing will be the main event, however. A 15¢ membership fee will be collected at the door. All you Sally's and Joe's, tie a string around your finger and be sure to come to this gala Palama Canteen Easter Dance. You'll be on your Easter vacation so there's no homework or getting-up-early-the-next-morning problem confronting you. Come and have a whale of a good time!

The Palama Peppers, newest teen-age club of Palama, had their first dance on Saturday, March 17th in the Music School auditorium. The dance was in honor of the patron saint of Ireland, St. Patrick himself. There was much merriment and fun at the dance and you can be well sure and b'gory, all the folks had a good time. Advisor to the club is Miss Olive Casscells.

More good news for teen-agers! Plans are now being started for a Community-wide teenage canteen for the summer months. As yet, nothing has been definitely set but before long, there will be lots of news on this teen-age canteen. Watch the Open Door for further news. This activity will be sponsored by the Palama Canteen Committee composed of the following teenagers: Joseph Akui, president, representing Creepers Club; Lois Lau, secretary, Palama Peppers; Delores Pagan and Betty Garcia, Stage Frighters; Soo Kil Park and Benny Medeiros, Crusaders; Alice Ho and Phyllis Sun, Sports Club.

"Hot Cross buns, hot cross buns, one-a-penny, two-a-penny, hot cross buns." Under the direction of Miss Frances Grace, the grade-school boys and girls and the teenage cooking classes are presently learning to bake hot cross buns. They're getting ready for Easter so that they can serve the buns to their families on Good Friday. Recently the teenage cooking class made guava jellies and jams. The guavas were picked from Tantalus mountain. The girls hope to repeat their hike up to Tantalus again soon so that they can make plenty of jellies and jams to sell at the Group Work Dept'sazaar which will be held in early May.