

It's Christmas time again; Everyone busy getting their homes cleaned, putting up new curtains, decorating their Christmas tree, buying Christmas presents. For what reason? The Christmas I remember hearing about from my Parents and Teachers went something like this:

The Angel Gabriel was sent from God unto the city of Galilee, to a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph. The virgin's name was Mary. The Angel said "Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: Blessed art thou among women. Mary was troubled by what she heard, and again the Angel said "fear not Mary: for thou hast found favour with God. And, behold thou shall conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shall call his name JESUS. Mary still confused since she knew no man. But the Angel said the Holy Ghost shall come up on thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: Therefore also that holy thing which shall be called the Son of God. Mary answered, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. Mary brought forth her forst born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there were no room for them in the Inn. There not too far, were country Shephards watching their sheeps, when an Angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news, which shall be for all people. Tonight born unto you a Saviour which is Jesus Christ. And this shall be a sign unto you; you shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. Suddenly there was a multitude of Angels praising God, saying "Glory to God in the highest, and on Earth peace, goodwill toward man. Yes, the Shephæds, the three wise men came to bring gifts to the Son of God.

We also can bring a gift to the Son of God. What? Our thoughts, words and deeds. Why? Thoughts: Some find it hard to keep one's mind clean. Words: Ones words can hurt. Deeds: We as one grumble at times before doing someone a favor. If one can do this for one day and offer it to God, it's worth a million dollars.

On behalf of the Staff and myself, "MELE KALIKIMAKA HAHOLI MAKAHIKI HOU."

Mo Yaw

""XMAS PARTY""

On Dec. 15, 1966, we held a Xmas party concerning both parents and Preschoolers. It was held in Palama Preschool classroom at 11:30 a.m. Decorations for the party were done by the Children.

Menu for the day was potluck. Each parent were to bring whatever she wanted. Our menu consisted of: Ham, Duck, Shoyu Chicken, Boiled green bananas, Potato knishes, Beef Hekka, Chili, Fish, Samoan chop suey, Taro with coconut milk, Scallop Tempura, Spaghetti, Fried chicken, Chow fun, Fruit salad, Green and yellow vegetables, Macaroni salad, Toss green salad, Cinamon bread, Rice, Juice, Coffee, Icecream and Cake.

Our guests for the day were: Mr. Ralph Maeda, Mr. Shungo Okubo, Mr. & Mrs. George Kim, Mrs. Janet Nakashima, Mrs. Constance Chock, Rev. James Swenson, Rev. Ed Bonsey, Rev. Rodrigo Estrada, Dan from the University and Georgianna Kim.

After lunch was served, the Children from preschool and the little ones who came with their parents, sang songs, and were treated by our Lady Santa Claus, (Mrs. Carole Hochfelson) who distributed gifts to each child. They also had a package of apples and candies.

Parents who attended and helped out were: Mrs. Tiave, Mrs. Pang, Mrs. Samana, Mrs. Slover, Mrs. Telefoni, Mrs. Talamoa, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Akeo, Mrs. Rodrigues, Mrs. Manuwai, Mrs. Kapanui and Mrs. Kama. A very special thanks goes to Mrs. Kazu Vossbrink in helping to make our party a big success, and also to Mrs. Hochfelson

and Mrs. Kaneoa in keeping the children in order.

Everyone enjoyed the party, especially our children.

Susie Kama

""HARRIS XMAS PARTY""

At 9:30 in the morning, we held a Christmas party at Harris preschool on Dec. 16, 1966. The children and parents were all singing songs in which each child learned from Mrs. Ching and Mrs. Inouye. They all sang; eensie weensie spider, Head shoulder Baby 1,2,3, I'm a little teapot, Open shut, She'll be coming round the mountain when she come and many more songs. They also did some skipping, jumping and dancing around.

We also had some special guests. They were Mrs. Hochfelson (Palama Preschool Teacher), Mrs. Dorothy Kim (Palama Settlement), Janet Nakashima (Hale Kokua), Ruby Kaneoa (Teacher's Aid from Palama), Shungo Okubo, Mr. Richard Kapoi, Mrs. Miyashiro (Health nurse) and Mrs. Susie Kama (Newsletter co-Editor.) The guests were also served coffee for refreshment.

Lunch was served at 10:45, consisting of hotdogs, salad, potato chips, pickles, olives, juices, cake and ice cream.

Our Santa Claus who was Mr. Rodrigues (very nice of him) distributed gifts for the children, plus door prizes and grab bag for the lucky person. The party was supposed to end since the bus has arrived at 11:20, but guess what?? I think the bus driver was invited too!!

We like to thank all parents, friends and guests for attending the Harris Christmas party. Also the Mothers who helped in the kitchen to serve the food.

Mrs. Helena Lamoya

""ANECDOTES""

(At Thanksgiving Time)

Charleen ---- Hey, I don't want to go out there!!

Teacher ---- Why?

Charleen ---- There's a bunch of Indians out there.

Note (Children playing outside with their colored paper feathers on their heads.)

(Chris was out on the playground waiting for his turn to be given his blood test.)

Chris---- "Hey, is that Doctor mad at us? Teacher--- "No."

Chris---- Then why is he taking all our blodd?

""C.O. AIDES IN MAYOR WRIGHT HOUSING""

Many of you will probably be wondering who the People are, knocking at your doors. Don't Peek-let them in and find out who they are. These Aides will try to keep you well informed on activities and meetings or any little thing they can help you with. All will even be very happy happy to help you in any way they can--if they don't have the answer they'll break their necks to get it.

People living in (Buildings 1,2, 5, 11.) Mrs. Mary Jane Fernandez, will serve you the best she can.

In (Buildings 3,4,15) none other but, Captain Robert Kamaka, of the

Mayor Wright Juvenile Patrol. All you Wahines when you see this Bla!! "Geevum Da Bees Ness."

(Buildings 6,32,33,34,35.) Mo Yaw; If she can't win them over coffeetry Tea.

(Buildings 7,8,16,17) Judy Grace, she'll put you in a coma, if you let her.

(Buildings 9,10,13,14) Roberta Infiel, this gal stayed near home to work with her neighbors. So don't let her down--if she can stand you, you can stand her.

(Buildings 18,19,21) Mary Marquez, she might be new to you but give her a chance this gals a go getter.

(Buildings 20,22,23,24,25) Hannah Gasper, Gal very quiet, loves coffee so heat your coffee pots up neighbor.

(Buildings 26,27,28,29,30,31) Mary Valeros, always eager to help so give her some real problems.

Our next Aide will probably be running around the housing area for a while, talking to the Samoan people. Mr. Fuifatu Fartolu, and might also be teaming up with Mo on some of her Buildings. Also a new addition to our family, John M. Feliciano.

"REMBER DONT SLAM DOORS, OPEN THEM FOR OUR AIDES"

"THEY CARE"

COMMUNITY ACTION IN PALAMA

Since June 1965, Palama has had several community action programs funded under the Federal anti-poverty program. These include preschool classes, an aggressive services project and a community organization program - - all aimed at helping groups of people with low incomes. The main idea behind these anti-poverty programs was the desire to approach the problems of the poor by having the poor themselves participate in making decisions about the kinds of programs, policies and services designed to meet their needs. The other side of the picture was the recognition that the established social service, welfare and educational agencies, despite all-time high employment and prosperity, still were not making significant headway in closing the gap between the haves and not-haves in our communities.

A little over a year later a major change in the entire anti-poverty program is evident. By Congressional action those anti-poverty programs which leave greatest choices and discretion to local resident groups are to be curtailed by almost 50% or more of their funds.

Palama's anti-poverty programs are affected in the following manner:
L. Preschools at Kaumakapili and Harris--no change. (Preschools at Kaiulani and Lanakila are funded under a different source and are not affected.)

- 2. Aggressive Services -- Highly unlikely under CAP
- 3. Community Organization Services -- Questionable. If continued, it will be operated with a greatly reduced staff.
- 4. Community Service Center -- Not funded or in operation but is possible. Designed to coordinate programs and staff the Council. If this project is desired, it will be at cost of #3, CO Services.