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CHRISTMAS PARTIES



BOYS' CHRISTMAS PARTY DEC. 14

The big Christmas Party sponsored annually by the Boys' and Men's Department for its younger members will be held next Monday evening, December 14th at 6:30 p.m. in the Palama auditorium.

Harry Murakami's boys' clubs are slated to offer a colorful program as a feature of the party. Carol singing the like of which has never before flooded the assembly hall will lift the curtain. Immediately following the refrain, several reels of movie thrills will flash upon the screen. A Christmas play will then be presented by Susumu Awaya's dramatic boys. Advance reports label it the real McCoy.

The big event of the evening will be the passing of packages filled with nuts, candies and raisins to every boy present. Miss Yamane has a Xmas card for all Palama members. Get your tickets at the Recreation Office, Mites, Midgets, and Juniors.

MAVERICKS TO HOLD XMAS SOCIAL

A Christmas Social will be enjoyed by the Maverick Hi-Y Club Tuesday evening December 22nd at 7:30 p.m. in the Girls' Clubrooms. An auxiliary Girls' organization has been invited to make the party a big event.

Miss Puarose Mahi, talented University of Hawaii NYA worker connected with the Girls' Recreation Department will chaperon the young women. As an added attraction, she will render several of her favourite piano selections. Dancing will be another feature of the evening.

The Mavericks are a group of High School students composed of cosmopolitan nationality interested in the promotion of intellectual projects in and around the Community. A Christmas Basket for the neediest family in the Palama district has been planned as a Yuletide endeavor. Gee, Miike, and Ishii co-advise the club.

Features

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IN RECOGNITION

Palama Settlement is essentially a welfare institution supported by the people, and so are the local YMCA'S. Organizations of this kind invariably find themselves with staffs too small to cater to their memberships and to the innumerable "important" trifles which make things go. Volunteer workers have been the answers to these problems, and Palama has had an army of those men who gave up their time unstintedly that a few "knots" may be untied. Settlement officials have seen the best of them come and go in the past decade, and the stand-out example in their minds is Manuel Castro, movie operator de luxe, athletic assistant, and whatever he is called upon to help.

Manuel Castro is a "Pal" in the true sense of the word. Loyalty is the keynote of his career as a Settlement member. He is an embodiment of the ideals Palama stand and fight for. Space does not permit citation of his invaluable services, nor will it allow us to sing his praises in a more fitting manner. We can only inform the Community that the volunteer work of Manuel Castro and a score like him does not go un-noticed. They are the real backbone of a great institution.

The Recreation Department of Palama Settlement is especially grateful to Manuel Castro. Rain or shine, he has stuck by the movie projector which is the "main event" of every Palama youngster's week-end. He is always among the first to offer himself with no thoughts of material reward whenever the Settlement needs an extra hand.

Palama Settlement appreciates your work, Manuel; and may you continue to fly your banner.

A TOAST

"Here is a toast I want to drink to a
fellow I'll never know
To the fellow who's going to take my place
When it's time for me to go
I've wondered what kind of a chap he'll be
And I've wished I could take his hand
Just to whisper, "I wish you well, old man"
In a way that he'd understand
I'd like to give him the cheering word that
I've longed at times to hear
I'd like to give him a warm handclasp when
Never a friend seems near
I've learned my knowledge by sheer hard
work and I wish I could pass it on
To the fellow who'll come to take my place
Some day when I'm gone

Will he see all the sad mistakes I've made
And note all the battles lost?
Will he ever guess of the tears they caused
Or the heartaches they cost?
Will he gaze through the failures and
fruitless toil to the underlying plan
And catch a glimpse of the real intent and
the heart of a vanquished man?
I dare to hope he may pause some day as he
toils as I have wrought
And gain some strength for his weary task
for the battles which I have fought
But I've only the task itself to leave with
the cares for him to face
And never a cheering word may speak to the
fellow who'll take my place

Then here's to your health, old chap!
I drink as a bridegroom to his bride
I leave an unfinished task for you
But God knows how I tried
I've dreamed my dreams as all men do
But never a one came true
And my prayer today is that all the dreams
may be realized by you
And we'll meet some day in the Great
Unknown out in the realm of Space
You'll know my clasp as I take your hand
and gaze into your tired face
Then all our failures will be success in
the light of the new found dawn
So I'm drinking your health, old chap!
Who'll take my place when I'm gone"

By Louis E. Thayer

Dedicated to Harry Murakami, Boys' Club Worker since 1930 who has served the Settlement loyally and ably. The Ka-Palama wishes him all the luck there is and may success continue to cross his path. We shall miss you, Harry.

Girls' Department

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PUPPET SHOW AT PALAMA

Each year many plays are given in Honolulu, but nearly all the plays have been meant for grown ups to see and enjoy. No one, it seems thought of presenting little plays for little people. Several years ago the Junior League, an outstanding women's organization in Honolulu, decided to stage at least one play a year just for children.

For the past years, the Junior League has remembered Palama, district children and this year again Palama children are to have a chance to enjoy a good play.

The "Ohelo Berry" a puppet show is to be presented Friday, December 11 at Palama Settlement auditorium. Two shows have been planned so that everyone may have a chance to see it.

The first show which will promptly start at 1:30 is especially for the children who go to language schools. Only language school children will be admitted at that time. The second show will start at 2:15 and will be open to the non-language school group. Remember, if you go to language school come at 1:30. If you do not go to language school, please wait for the 2:15 show.

The Puppet Show is free to Palama district children, but to insure seats for all who come a puppet show ticket will be distributed on Wednesday and Thursday.

PALAMA-MCKINLEY HI COOPERATE

Palama Settlement Maid Training Class assisted with the McKinley High School luau last week. It was a big undertaking but the girls had past experiences and everything went along like a song.

The luau was in connection with the opening of the new Wright Swimming Pool at McKinley.

Mrs. Maury who was in charge of the entire luau was especially pleased with the hall decorations done by Bill Gee and his boys.

MISS KIWET ON SPECIAL MOVIE PROGRAM

The featured attraction on the Special Movie Program this Saturday will be Miss Kiwet, the musical director of Kamehameha Girls' School.

Miss Kiwet is new at Kam School. She is replacing Miss Brown the former music teacher who is now on leave. Miss Kiwet comes from a town near Omaha, Nebraska, where she was the music supervisor for the entire city. In addition to her work at Kam School, she plays the organ at the Church of the Crossroads and is also a member of the Morning Music Club.

Miss Kiwet will give us several selections on the piano this Saturday. Let us show her our appreciation by being here promptly at 2:00 o'clock on December 12.

The Special Movie Program is a project of Miss Annie Kim, an N.Y.A. worker at Palama, who is interested in providing a better movie hour for Palama boys and girls.

SANTA CLAUS VISITS PALAMA

Jingle bells, jingle bells,
Jingle all the way,
Santa Claus is coming to
He's coming down our way (Palama)

In fact Santa Claus has been here already, because I have seen what he left behind and only Santa Claus would leave what I saw.

That's why my favorite song these days is Jingle Bells. Somehow I keep humming it all the time and whenever I do, it gives me a warm happy feeling. You don't know how much that song means to me, why every word of it is true.

How do I know he's been here? Well, have you been to the Girls' club-rooms lately, if you haven't I wish you would because you don't know how much fun you're missing.

Oh yes! You're anxious to know what Santa left behind. He must have talked to Miss Park first because he left an order for 800 Christmas stockings to be sewn by the girls for our Christmas party.

Girls we need your kokua, too.

Girls Club News

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GIRL SWIMMERS TIME SPEED

The girls in the swim training club have been working assiduously in spite of the recent cold weather and rain. Tuesday evening meeting includes a number of land exercises for strengthening the arms and legs and developing the muscles. Then they take to the water and go through a routine of kicking, arm movements, stroke practice, and distance swimming for the development of endurance.

Mrs. Thelma Bugbee, a one-time worker here at Palama, has volunteered her services as the coach of the training club. Having worked for six weeks or so on the development of endurance, she is now beginning training for speed. The girls are clocked during practice to give them an idea of their progress toward championship swimming.

POPCORN SALE

Gee, it took us weeks and weeks to decide on the popcorn sale. Oh, what a problem it was. Well, we finally decided to pop the corn on Saturday, December 12. And do you want to know what we're going to do? Oh, no! It's going to be a secret.

We have the cooperation of our club members and now we are asking you to help us buy some popcorn. This is our cry:

"Come on friends! Enjoy a ball of crispy popcorn made fresh. Get a package right away before it'll be all gone."

Korean Juniors

GIRL SCOUT NEWS

A Girl Scout meeting was held on Monday, November 30, afternoon to discuss money making plans. Suggestions such as candy sale, cooky sale, popcorn sale and rummage sale, were brought up but no definite plans have been adopted. At the next meeting, December 7 a certain discussion shall be reached, therefore it is important that every scout be present. An added plea is, "please bring your 5¢. We need it desperately."

98 GIRLS ENROLLED IN PALAMA TAP CLASS

Palama Settlement girls certainly seem to have dancing feet judging by the number of girls enrolled in the tap dancing class held every Monday and Wednesday afternoon in the girls gym. The enrollment reached the point of 98 members. This, I believe, is a record enrollment for any winter recreation class.

The members of this class have worked hard and practiced out of class and have completed three tap routines since October. In addition the little tots from 4 to 6 years old have learned two simple little dances.

Members of this tap class danced for the rest of the Palama girls at the Halloween party and also at the Thanksgiving program given for the Palama Staff. It is fine to be able to call upon our own girls for entertainment, and we thank them for being so willing to please us.

P.W.A.A. ELECTS OFFICERS

The Palama Women's Athletic Association held its annual election at a recent meeting. This group meets every Monday evening from 7:00 to 9:00 for two hours of sports. At the present time volleyball is the game being played, but soon basketball, and later baseball will be introduced.

P.W.A.A. has a large membership and is governed by a council consisting of the ten officers of the club, with Mrs. Ethel Kukea, and Miss Helen Moore as advisors. The council for this year includes the President; Isabella White; Vice President, Olivia Kawelo; Secretary, Eva Lau; Treasurer, Hilda Kawelo; Social Chairman, Pansy Hilo, game chairman Emma Ahakuelo, Council members Julia Dung, Josephine Kea, and Pearl Helekunihi.

This group has its annual project, the sending of delegates to the Inter-Island Play Day which this year is being held on Molokai. Money is being raised with the hope of being able to pay the total expenses of the delegates to Molokai.

Boys' Activities

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GIRLS' DEPARTMENT TO PUBLISH OWN NEWS

Beginning with this issue, the Girls' pages of the Ka-Palama will be solely the efforts of the Girls' Department of Palama Settlement. This was agreed upon at an Advisory Board meeting held recently in Dr. Platt's office to determine and remedy the deficiencies of the paper. Miss Mary Park will edit the women's activities and all Girls' news. The editorial staff feels certain that future "Ka-Palamas" will be bigger and better and more harmoniously published as a result of this mutual understanding.

"FINANCE" CATCHES FANCY OF PAL BOYS

A new game "Finance" is taking the rough and ready Palama boys by storm since its introduction in the Settlement game-room several weeks ago. Midgets, Juniors, Pal Seniors, have been knocked for a loop by the unique and interesting pastime.

From dawn to sunset, groups can always be found crowding around the players and awaiting their turns at the "money" game. Prospective bankers and big real estate men are in the making every day at Palama. And perhaps successful brokers too.

HIGA ELECTED PREXY OF JOLLY JUNIORS

Robert Higa was elected president of Fred Miike's Jolly Juniors at their last meeting in the Boys' Clubhouse. William Castro was selected Secretary of the Club.

Numbering on its roster fourteen live-wire Juniors, the organization is coasting along smoothly. The members will be divided into groups in preparation for the coming inter-club athletic competitions.

WOODWORK CLASS WANTS NEW MEMBERS

The Woodwork Class under the advisorship of George Lee and Teruo Fukuda which meets every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. in the Palama Workshop is sending a call for all and sundry boys interested in Carpentry to report to the Workshop as soon as possible.

Embryo woodcraft artists will be offered fine opportunities to build their own Xmas gifts which ultimately is certain to develop into the making of useful articles for both the home and business office.

Take advantage of your chance, boys!

PAL LEAGUES OFFER FAST GAMES

A fast-breaking Tanikawa Florist quintet opened Palama Settlement's Community Basketball leagues Monday evening, November 30th by overwhelming McInerny 27-6 in a slam-bang exhibition. The defending champions, with their last year's line-up wrecked, could not cop with the brilliant sharp-shooting of Okimoto who rung the bell from all angles of the court. The remaining games of the inaugural 120# Section "A" triple-bill were closely contested, Makiki nipping Auld Lane 20-19, and Lakimela taking a 21-19 heartbreaker from Moiliili.

The 135# Section "A" basketeters displayed their stuff Tuesday night December 1st in another three-game attraction.

Donald Kim's Devil Dogs downed Hinode Kai 33-6 in the curtain raiser, while the McInerny Monarchs repelled Lions A.C. 25-16 in the second encounter and David Lee's Marauders looted the Kakaako baskets for a 36-15 victory in the last game of the evening.

Lopsided scores marked the 120# Section "B" tussles Thursday, December 3rd as Hinode Kai swamped McCully 39-12, Alapai buried the Unknowns 23-8, and the Pua Lane Pirates crushed Rengo Kai 45-13 to end the first week's hostilities.

MAEHARA TO LEAD KURFEW KIDS

Due to a slacking of membership attendance and an obvious lack of enthusiasm, the Kurfew Kids will be reorganized under Saburo Maehara, a graduate student of the University of Hawaii connected with Palama Settlement through the NYA, Tuesday night December 8th at 6:30 p.m. in the Settlement auditorium.

Maehara is planning a varied program of activities especially attractive to young boys who still have to observe Kurfew time. Settlement officials are confident that with the advent of Mr. Maehara, a new chapter in Kurfew Kid activities will be written.

KURFEW KIDS NOTICE

MEETING NIGHTS WILL BE ON TUESDAYS
INSTEAD OF THURSDAYS

BEGINNING

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, AT 6:30 PM
MR. SABURO MAEHARA IS THE NEW CHIEF

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MCUEEN SPEAKER AT FIRST PAL MEETING

Mr. Marshall McEuen of the Honolulu Star Bulletin was the guest speaker at the Pal Club's initial meeting of the year, Sunday morning December 6th in the Palama auditorium. Close to one hundred and fifty young men heard Mr. McEuen's inspiring portrayal of three outstanding examples of combined brains, ambition and intestinal fortitude, and their climbs to the top of the heap.

A great publisher, a brilliant surgeon, and a beloved musician were the main subjects of his talk. Mr. McEuen left with the Pals a real sense of the value that may be derived from giving the other fellow just "a little more than he deserved." Every member of the assembly left the meeting a wiser and more resolute young man.

Two bundles of delightful surprises were ushered upon the stage by Victor Yankoff, Palama tap-dancing instructor, in the persons of little Barbara Hampton and Rita Johnson as the feature attractions of the entertainment program. Miss Hampton sang and danced her way into the hearts of the audience ably accompanied by her dancing partner. Evelyn Young also made a hit with a special tap number, while Yankoff strutted his wares a la Astaire in spectacular fashion. Mrs. Martha Hoku's flying fingers gave the boys eyefulls of top-notch piano playing.

The speaker for the next meeting will be Sgt. Ransom Sherretz of the Honolulu Police Department who returned recently from an extensive research tour on the Mainland.

HONOLULU DENTAL SOCIETY MEETS AT PALAMA

The Honolulu Dental Society spent Saturday, December 5th at the Palama Settlement. The morning was devoted to professional papers in the auditorium, luncheon being served immediately afterward to some 60 members in the Cafeteria, while the afternoon was devoted to clinical demonstrations in the Dental Clinic.

Dr. M. I. Conner, director of the Palama Clinic, was elected president of the Society for the coming year and Dr. John Dawe was elected secretary. Palama is fortunate to be able to entertain the Dental Society so effectively, one of the many ways Palama serves as a community center and meeting place for public and private organizations.

NURSING DEPARTMENT START NEW PROJECT

The Public Health Nursing Department feels that it has reached a point in its development where it can spread its services of Health Education to other groups in our Community. With this in mind, it is ready to attempt a class in Child Health among a small group of selected fathers. The members of this group have been met through their wives who regularly attend our Baby Conferences, drawn only from the Palama district at the present time.

Although there are several Public Health Nursing agencies carrying on this work on the Mainland, it is a new experience for Honolulu and we are looking forward to it with a great deal of enthusiasm.

The National Organization for Public Health Nursing with headquarters in New York City is aware of these plans and expresses a great deal of interest in it and will watch closely the development of it.

The series of lessons will cover discussion on resources in the Territory for Child Care, Statistics bringing out the Infant Mortality Rate and Causes of Infant Death, Physical Growth and Development, Care and Prevention of Communicable Disease, Prenatal Care, and Mental Hygiene or Good Habits for Children.

We are very appreciative of the Men's and Boys' Recreation Department in offering us the use of a Club room for weekly meetings. Also through Mr. Wood, we have secured the services of a NYA worker from the University of Hawaii.

With so much assistance and encouragement given, success in this new project should be guaranteed.

By Miss Myrtle Stickler
Palama Nursing Dept.

"REASON"

"How did George break his leg?"
"Well, do you see those steps over there?"
"Yes."
"Well, George didn't."

"A lot of auto wrecks result from the driver hugging the wrong curve."
