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# KALIHI VALLEY CYO WINS AROUND-OAHU MARATHON RELAY

A gallant 20-man Kalihi Valley CYO team coached by Edward Oliveira won Palama Settlement's seventh annual Around-Oahu Marathon Relay held over an 84-mile course Sunday, January 21, in the record-breaking time of 8 hours, 15 minutes, 27 seconds, more than six minutes under the mark of 8.22:42.4 established by a great Waipahu team in 1938. "Timo" Phillips' Citywide A.A. was second in 8 hours, 17 minutes, 9.9 seconds, and Palama Settlement third in 8 hours, 17 minutes, 35.7 seconds.

All three teams came in under the old criterion, in one-two-three order, marking the first time in seven years that such a sensational finish has been witnessed. The well-balanced CYO outfit, sparked by Walter Gouveia, Kenneth Ferreira, Domingo Lopez, and William Phillips, fought off great challenges by Citywide and Palama throughout the race. CYO can thank Gouveia for the victory, for the Waipahu Whippet broke Citywide's heart in the long 9th lap by giving his team a commanding lead over Herbert Scharsch and William Bajadallis. The three teams were within striking distance of each other before Gouveia carried the mail, but after the former rural ace had blazed a new record for the lap, Kalihi Valley CYO ran in inspired manner to stave off the opposition.

Norman Tamanaha, running anchor for the defending-champion Pals, turned in a brilliant last-lap performance to nearly nip Citywide for second place. Taking the baton about a mile behind the leading teams on the short 4.4. mile stretch, Tamanaha cut the margin to a few hundred yards to give the large crowd at the finish line a thrill.

Six lap records went by the boards as the 60 select harriers, representing the cream of local road-running stars, toured the island in record time. Kalihi Valley CYO accounted for three new marks in its second year of running, Citywide two, and Palama one. Kenneth Ferreira of CYO cracked Harris' long-standing record of 14:20 for lap #3 by negotiating the Pali run in 13:36 to pace the lap-breakers. George Duarte of Citywide followed this with a 25:48 performance for lap #5, erasing Benjamin's mark of 26:10. Walter Gouveia smashed Bajadallis' standard of 32:49.6 for the 5.9-mile 9th lap by more than two minutes by streaking it in 30:46 for the greatest individual performance of the race. Louis Rocha of Palama created a new record for lap #10 by traveling it in 31:07.5, bettering Roy Strohlin's mark of 31:53.8. Domingo Lopez of CYO wiped Pershall's 21:32.1 record for lap #14 off the books with a smashing 21:17.8 feat. Alfred DeLuize of Palama also came in under the mark in 21:31.1. Orda Coglan of Citywide filled out the record-breaking brigade by taking Negre's mark of 21:30 for lap #16 for a ride in stopping the watches at 20:38.5 for the distance.

The three records created by Schofield runners in 1934 which had withstood the assaults of local stars for six years were blasted off the records, leaving Citywide the possesor of nine marks, Palama six, Kalihi Valley CYO three, and Waipahu and Kahuku-CCC one each.

Thousands of spectators witnessed the colorful foot-race, threatening to jam traffic at nearly every exchange station. Crowds were especially large and enthusiastic at Hauula, Kahuku, Haleiwa, Wahiawa, Aiea, and at the finish on Vineyard Street. Heavy traffic at the Pali and around the island were greatly alleviated by the splendid work of Chief Gabrielson's uniformed corps under Sergeant Nishida, the Kaneohe Police, and the Crime Prevention Patrol Cars.

Officials who handled the relay with great efficiency were Ernest C. Corn, referee and starter; Cecil G. Benny, head-timer; Manuel DeCorte, Joseph Oliveira, timers; Reed Maxson, Arthur Powlison, Dave Williamson, Nelson Kawakami, judges; and Raymond Choo, James Koo, clerks.

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#### PALAMA BASEBALL LEAGUE TO OPEN THIS SUNDAY

The 1940 Palama Baseball league, with a nine-team roster, will open action with a scheduled quadruple-bill this Sunday, January 28, on the Castle field diamond. The first game is slated for 9:00 a.m.

Teams entered in the circuit are the defending-champion St. Anthony CYO outfit (Frankie's Cab) Billy's Barber Shop, Crusaders, Acme Beer, Paloma, Rengo Kai, Shafter Cash & Carry, Kyodo Kai, and Young Amateurs.

No changes were made in the rules at the final meeting of the league held last Wednesday, January 17, in the Palama Auditorium. Each team will be allowed two senior league players who may not serve in battery assignments.

## PALS ENTERED IN ASUH SENIOR CAGE LEAGUE

Coach Reed Maxson will lead a fine squad of Palama cagers into the ASUH Senior basketball loop, one of the fastest circuits in the territory, which will open with a double-attraction this Thursday evening, January 25, at the Civic Auditorium.

The Pals will bank upon youngsters to bolster their attack, and in Charley McKee and Danny Meheula, Palama has a pair of potential stars. Veteran cagers on the squad are Bull Sumida and Stanley Kudo, formerly of the JAUH, Vilai Sua, Benny Ahakuelo, Walter Gega, Horace Akamine, and Francis Wong.

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An old lady of 90, asked how she had lived so long and so serenly, answered: "I think it is because I've met life's every emergency by going to bed."

#### PALMS A.C. COPS 120# CAGE CHAMPIONSHIP

Coach George Uyeda's classy Palms A.C. cagers won Palama Settlement's 120# bas-ketball championship by taking Elmo Tomita's defending-champion Kamamalu Maroons 34-23 in the finals of the round-robin play-offs Thursday, January 18, in the Westside gym. The Palms offense, centered around Eki, Teshima, and Uyeda, packed tomuch power for the hard-fighting Kamamalu Maroons. Eki scored 11 points, Teshima 12, and Uyeda nine. Sagawa and Ito starred for Kamamalu.

Palms A.C. qualified for the right to meet the Maroons for the championship by whipping McCully YMA 31-22 Tuesday, January 16, behind brilliant shooting by Teshima and Eki, who tallied 10 and nine points respectively. The three teams were tied at the end of the round-robin schedule between sectional winners, Kamamalu Maroons drawing a bye in the elimination play-off.

The champions barely squeezed into the round-robin series but came through in sensetional manner against the best squads in the 21-team league. Palms A.C. will be awarded a beautiful trophy symbolic of the championship, while Kamamalu will receive the runner-up statuette.

#### PALAMA NIPS CITYWIDE IN LAST FIVE SECONDS

Walter Wong's fast Palama cage stars nipped a tough Citywide outfit 36-35 in the last five seconds of play last Thursday evening, January 18, in the feature of the ASUH Junior basketball league's opening triple-bill between section champions and runners-up at the University of Hawaii gym.

Palama can toast Ah Fong Kong for the victory as he produced with a beautiful left-hander. Inserted into the tussle with only 20 seconds remaining in the ball game, and Citywide leading 35-34 on Sabas' conversion of Robert Wong's fourth foul, Kong snatched victory from the grasp of an unbelieving Citywide team.

Greatly responsible for Palama scintillating victory was Henry Choy, who came through with timely baskets whenever his team was behind. Robert Wong gained highscoring honors by tanking 13 points, while Choy registered 11. Arthur Kauahi played a great game at guard to stop Citywide rallies time and again. Wah Kau Kong, Henry Hu, and Jimmy Lam also shone for Palama.