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Palama Settlement Music School

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YOU ARE INVITED.....

to the Open House reception at the newly renovated Palama Settlement Pre-School on Friday, January 31 from 3:00 to 5:30 p.m. Enlarged and modernized over the old school, the new Pre-School unit is now located on the Mauka side of Vineyard St. on the first floor of the Strong-Carter Dental Clinic building.

With space for a larger enrollment, new children from $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 years of age will be accepted. Bright and gay surroundings with the best modern equipment and a fine teaching staff make the Palama Pre-School one of Honolulu's finest kindergardens, especially convenient for families in the Kalihi-Palama area.

Come to the reception on the 31st, and see for yourself, and the big hit of course is to meet the charming director, Mrs. Rosario Saballa who will be happy to take you on a personal tour. Call her for additional information at 337325.

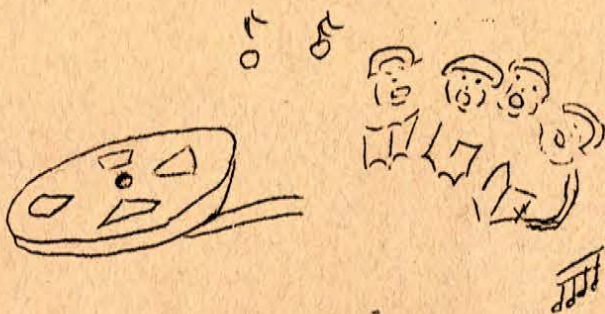
Speaking of kindergardens reminds me of a painful personal experience. In 1923 (!) I attended kindergarden for a year in Berkeley. The next year we came to Hawaii and I fully expected to go on with my higher education, but alas, I flunked the entrance exams to Hana Hauli and had to repeat the course! Imagine two years in first grade kindergarden! What a blow. However it certainly points up how vastly superior are the educational standards in Hawaii over those of the mainland, especially Berkeley! Palama's kindergarden upholds these standards but annual graduation is assured!

A BOOK DEPOSIT.....\$3.00 per semester for music students will be inaugurated beginning with the second semester, January 27th. This won't cost a penny more - - it is simply that a large number of students fail to pay for their music books, a service which Palama Music School offers as a convenience. So instead of receiving the book first and paying later, a deposit of \$3.00 will be made by the student at the beginning of each semester which will be used to pay for books purchased during the semester. A ticket similar to school lunch tickets will be issued for each student in exchange for the deposit and each book purchase will be punched out on the ticket. Any unused amount at the time of termination of enrollment will be refunded.

TWENTY THREE FIDDLERS.....

fiddled classics and folk songs at the very nice violin recital of students of Mrs. Marianne Fleece and Mr. Robert Rourke on Friday the 17th. It takes years of patience and hard work to learn the rewards of a violinist,, and it was a pleasure for parents, students and guests to share the fruits of the hard work of these students. Nice to see DALE CHUN back at work on his violin and of course it is always a pleasure to hear the warm singing tone of JACQUELINE CHING. We all hope to hear Gwendolyn Winters next time and I would like her to know that all of us have had similar difficult moments of one kind or another. Chin up Gwen! Life is like a stream with the pebbly bumpy part at the beginning and smooth running a little further on!



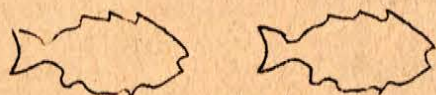


THE CHORUS CORNER.....

The Palama Children's Chorus is making a tape recording of songs of Hawaii including those from Japan, Korea and our other Pacific neighbors. An informal narration, written by members of the chorus and narrated by them will be added to the tape and then it will be sent to two or three of the Settlement House music schools in the eastern states as a sort of musical pen pals by tape recording.

For the best narrations JULIA KAEHUAHA, KAREN HO, PATRICIA LUM, GAIL and CAROL INOUE, LENORA WONG, JOAN NAM KOONG and HUBERTA DATANAGAN were selected. For the best speaking voice to read the introduction the chorus members elected ROSE POPLAR.

If the tape turns out well we'll let you parents hear it.



Then for big plans for an outing, the chorus is cooking up a big deal to have their next picnic up in the mountains at Palama-Uka. The next singing engagement for the 50 girls will be for the Children's Division of the Library Association of Honolulu which meets at Palama Music School on January 31st at 7:30 p.m.



SPEAKING OF CONCERTS.....

Palama's big SEVENTH ANNUAL BENEFIT CONCERT at Farrington School Auditorium will take place on April 19th, and 26th this year featuring The University of Hawaii Concert Choir (preview concert of their Japan tour), the Famous McKinley Concert Band, a feature event with Mary Kawena Pukui in Storytelling of Old Hawaii and "Friendship House" a dramatic play about Palama Settlement. The Children's Chorus will be featured as an opening to the second half of the concert.



RAT-a-TAT-a-TAT-TAT-Tat..... go the jack hammers coming along Vineyard Street for the new widening of the street.....and in about three months DOWN will come our famous old gymnasium and UP will go a new one on our mauka property. For the next few years Palama will be the center of much new planning and rebuilding.....fine new facilities to serve the needs of the youth in our community.



Three Symphony Scholarship Students, pupils of Mrs. Marianne Fleece, SHEILA AKAU, JACQUELINE CHING and CHARLENE HARRIS will audition for the Scholarship Committee at Montague Hall, Punahou campus on February 2nd at 4:00 p.m.

