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WILFRED OKA FEATURED AT PAL CLUB MEETING

Mr. Wilfred Oka of the Nuuanu YMCA gave the Pals a few highlights of his Springfield College reminiscences last Sunday morning in the Settlement auditorium at the regular weekly meeting of the Pal Club. Speaking with sentimental informality Mitsugi Oka told the Westside youths about the indomitable spirit and wonderful perseverance manifested by one of their former play-mates, the late Frederick Aki Loo, who fought a losing fight against Life's obstacles courageously and without a murmur. Mr. Oka left with the Pals a deeper and finer appreciation of Aki Loo's battle against great odds, and a proud feeling that a Palama boy "made good" in a mental, physical, and spiritual sense.

A brief and clear-cut description of Aki's philosophy of living was also presented intimately by Dr. Philip S. Platt, director of Palama Settlement, who was both advisor and friend to Fred Loo. The welfare and interests of every Settlement member is of vital importance to Dr. Platt, and the passing of one of Palama's best boys came as a distinct personal loss.

Prior to Mr. Oka's talk, Dr. Philip S. Platt introduced Mr. Floyd Wardell to the Pals as the new Boys' Clubs director of Palama Settlement. Confidence was expressed by the Settlement head that Mr. Wardell will improve the ill-balanced club program, which at present, is sport-heavy. Mr. Wardell made a fine first-impression on the Westsiders by his obvious modesty and sincerity. He struck a responsive chord in the sporting natures of the Palama boys with his proposed program, where the fifty-fifty principle seems to be the ruling factor.

High-calibred entertainment was offered by the famed blind musician, Johnny Alameda of the Citywide Recreation Commission, and Walter Kau, a piano pupil of Mrs. Martha Hohu. The Alameda duo rendered two popular Hawaiian numbers, while Mr. Kau offered selections composed by Verdi and Montague Ewing.

RADIO RELAYS HELD SATURDAY

Palama Settlement hooked up with the Santa Barbara Boys' Club of Los Angeles last Saturday afternoon, February 27th at 1:45 p.m. (Honolulu time) in a Trans-Pacific "radio" sprint shuttle relay pentathlon. Incompleted returns gave Palama Settlement a three to two victory in the 250 yard relay, where the local sprinters outsped Santa Barbara in the 110#, 125#, and 140# weight divisions. The Mainland lads kicked dust into the Pals' faces in the 95# and 80# classes.

A "mix-up" somewhere on the sending end of the Santa Barbara amateur radio station prevented the full results of the relay carnival to be announced. Complete records and comparative times will be broadcasted within a short time.

The Hawaiian end of the competition was ably handled by Sgt. Brown and his 13th Field Artillery outfit, who came all the way from Schofield with a field set to "Morse-code" the Pal marks into the air. For their efficiency, the Army operators will be awarded a handsome trophy.

PAL BASKETEERS FETED SUNDAY

The Boys' & Men's department of Palama Settlement under Mr. W. S. Wood played hosts to the winged P casaba aces at a banquet held last Sunday, February 28th at the Wo Fat Chop Sui House. The dinner officially celebrated the Pals' magnificent showing in the recently-closed Junior A.A.U. Basketball League, where Palama hung up a great record of five victories and one loss against a fine field to win the 1937 championship.

In annexing the title, the Pals achieved feats unprecedented in Westside athletic history, that of coming from behind to score brilliant triumphs.

Members of the championship team and guests who enjoyed the banquet were Sylvester Abili, Horace Akamine, Kenneth Wong, Elmo Tomita, Elliot Smith, James Koo, Francis Sing, Archie Kapahua, George Ahana, Takeo Kaya, Francis Meyer, Francis Kapahua, Wallace Helenihi, Samuel Saffery, Fred Miike, William Gee, Bertrand Chun, and Dr. Platt, Mr. Wood, Mr. Kawakami, and Mr. Makolo, members of the Palama staff.

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BEYOND ALL THINGS

"He played the game" ---

What finer epitaph can stand?

Or who can earn a fairer fame

When Time at last has called his hand?

Regardless of the mocking roar,

Regardless of the final score,

To fight it out, raw blow for blow,

Until your time has come to go

On out beyond all praise or blame,

Beyond the twilight's purple glow,

Where Fate can write against your name

This closing line for friend or foe:

"He played the game."

"He played the game" ---

What more is there that one can say?

What other word might add acclaim

To this lone phrase that rules the fray?

Regardless of the breaks of chance,

Regardless of all circumstance,

To rise above the whims of Fate,

PAL BALL LOOP IN SECOND WEEK OF PLAY

Two close contests and one walkaway featured the second week of Palama Settlement's Community Baseball League play as six clubs collided in a triple-attraction last Sunday morning at Castle Field.

Crusaders A.C. stamped themselves potential contenders for the championship by registering their second victory of the season, 3-2, at the expense of Rengo Kai in the curtain raiser at 10:00 a.m. The defending-champion Palama Amateurs outslugged the Pal Ramblers 9-8 in the second tussle to tie the Crusaders for the circuit leadership. Lakimela pounded the horsehide with a vengeance to kalsomine the Rebels 9-4 in the last game of the day.

Another fine triple-bill will be in the offing next Sunday morning when Rengo Kai engages Caliente Club at 10:00 a.m., Lakimela A.C. cross bats with the Pal Ramblers at 1:00 p.m., and the Rebels meet the Crusaders at 3:00 p.m.

WHAT PRICE GLORY

It was the unanimous opinion of all 18 present at the Junior A.A.U. championship Basketball Chop Sui, that Wally Helenihi possessed the biggest stomach, that Archie Kapahuas was the deepest and that Elmo Tomita's was unquestionably the most elastic.

Friend to another in a cocktail lounge:
"Don't look around now, but the fellow going out the door has on your hat and coat."

Where dreams at times are desolate,

Where failure seems your final aim

And Disappointment is your mate

Where Life can write in words of flame

This closing line above the gate:

"He played the game."

---Grantland Rice

GIRLS' DEPT

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HINA MATSURI

March 3rd is Japanese Girls Day or Hina Matsuri which means Japanese Girls Festival. It began so long ago that it is hardly surprising to find many conflicting opinions as to its origin.

The display that you see in many Japanese homes on this day is the Emperor's palace in miniature which gives it a "value in Japanese eyes which we can hardly assess".

The purpose of the celebration being to impress on the children the traditions and costumes of their ancestors. "The dolls, so calm and dignified, impress upon the girls that they must be always calm, quiet and smiling, that they must be contented and satisfied, at least outwardly with their fortune in life".

It is the most important day in all the years for little Japanese girls. Each little girl has her own collection of dolls which she inherits from her mother. Each doll symbolizes some cherished old folk tale.

In keeping with the "Hina Matsuri", the Ka Palama prints the "Tongue-Cut Sparrow" an especially charming Japanese folk tale.

THE TONGUE-CUT SPARROW

Once upon a time there lived a kind old man and a greedy old woman. One day his pet sparrow pecked at some of the old woman's paste, with which she was about to starch some clothes. In her anger she seized the bird, cut its tongue and let it free. When the old man came home he missed his pet and asked where it was. She told him what she had done and that the bird had eaten some of her starch. The old man was much grieved and wandered all over the hills, seeking for his pet.

One day, near a certain mountain, he found the sparrow, who took him to its wife and chicks, and fed him like a king. The old man stayed there a long time, being treated very hospitably. At last he said that he must return home. Before he left, the sparrow begged him to take two wicker basket as a parting gift, but the old man,

saying that he was rather feeble, would only take the light one. So he trudged off home, leaving the sparrow family very sad at his departure.

When he got home his wife scolded him angrily for being away so long and asked him where he had been.

"Oh!" he answered, "I have been visiting the sparrow, and when I came away, they gave me this as a gift." They opened the basket and it was full of gold and silver and precious things!

When the greedy old woman saw that, she too determined to go and call on the sparrows. So, finding the way from the old man, she eventually arrived at their house. There she made herself very agreeable. The bird invited her to the home, but gave her no special dainties, and said nothing about a present. The old woman, however was not going back empty handed, so she asked for a souvenir to take back with her.

Two baskets were produced as before, but the old woman chose the heavier one and took it away with her. When she opened the basket to see what was inside, all kinds of hobgoblins and demons sprang out and began to torment her!

But the happy old man adopted a son and they grew rich and prosperous.

ECHOES FROM THE NURSING DEPARTMENT

Mrs. Kepner of the Nursing Staff is a member of the Honolulu Symphony Orchestra. Since 1929 she has been playing in the second violin section.

Mrs. Mary Ho, a member of the business staff of the Nursing office is on duty again after a short period of illness.

At the various Baby Conferences the nurses are displaying some very fine posters on child health. These posters have come through the generosity of the Tuberculosis Ass'n and have been mounted by a member of the Junior League.

Girls' Activities

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GIRL SCOUTS GO CLAM DIGGING

Industrious digging in the mud banks of Aiea, by the Girl Scouts of Palama brought forth enough clams to cook clam chowder for supper on the afternoon of Feb. 22. Fifteen girls gaily rode down to the home of Mrs. Lee, the Scout leader, to spend five happy hours clamming, crabbing, rowing, chewing cane, swimming, and eating. Most of the girls were frightened while riding in the little row boat which was required as a part of Scout training. Because of inexpert rowing and steering, the boat was stranded in the water away from shore, and was making no headway in journeying back. Almost tipping, the boat kept rotating causing the girls to think that they'd never touch land again. But every one helped and tried her hand at steering and rowing and finally with Irene Hee's careful rowing, the girls finally reached the pier.

Supper at Mrs. Lee's consisted of clam chowder, sandwiches brought by the girls, crabs, and candies. During the meal squeaks of fear and hysteria were heard. All this commotion was caused by Mrs. Lee's pet mongoose which came to join the group.

Exhausted and happy all the girls reluctantly boarded the Palama Bus at 6:15 p.m. for a journey homeward.

--Gladys Yuen
Scout Assistant

A tourist woman visiting the city passed by a hedge of hibiscus. She admired the flowers and wondered what it was called. Suddenly she saw a Japanese working man trimming the hedges. She asked him, "Will you tell me the name of these flowers?" He answered, "Me no sabe". She replied admiringly, "Oh! what lovely Me no sabes!"

Sleeping Beauty will be continued in the next Ka Palama.

COMMUNITY NITE PROVES POPULAR

Forty four individuals attended the "Community Nite" which is fast becoming a popular recreational activity with the younger set at Palama.

Mr. Misumi, who was scheduled to give instructions in "G", was unable to attend at the last moment, but he did send Mr. Saito who did his best in trying to explain the intricacies of the really fascinating game to the pupils.

Han Huda, trumps, donkey, solitaire and Monopoly were other games played during the evening by the various groups.

Social dancing was enjoyed after the games even though the attendance was overwhelmingly feminine.

Jello, Japanese dainties and tea closed the evening of social recreation.

P.W.A.A. LAULAU SALE SUCCESSFUL

The Palama Women's Athletic Association sponsored another laulau sale last Saturday. The sale was a benefit for the Women's Inter-Island Play Day. Two hundred and fifty laulaus were made and sold without any difficulty.

Mr. John Parker assisted the girls by taking full charge of the imu and supervised its construction, and the actual cooking. The building of an imu and cooking the laulaus correctly is an art. It requires a great deal of work and must be done first or the laulaus are not good. The laulaus were placed in the imu at 10:00 p.m. Mrs. Kukea had to be on duty at that time in order to deliver all the orders which the girls had secured in advance. Mrs. Makaiwi, Emma Ahakuelo, Olivia Kawelo, Kuulei Whiteford did most of the work for the P.W.A.A.

George Hayashi, Bernard Kamakau, and Aladdin Rodrigues proved a big help in the preliminary work of securing and washing ti leaves and gathering taro and banana leaves. They helped with the construction of the imu too.

Girls' Clubs News

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MANILA VARIETY SHOW TO BE STAGED AT PALAMA

The "Manila Variety Show" which is given by a group of visiting entertainers from Manila, will be sponsored by the Girls' and Women's Recreation Department in the gymnasium this coming Saturday and Sunday, March 6 and 7. Three shows are to be presented, one at 7:30 Saturday evening, a matinee at 2:30 Sunday afternoon, and an evening show at 7:30 on Sunday.

The "Manila Variety Show" has shown in several places in town, in the country and on the other islands, and everywhere it has been received very enthusiastically. Two hours entertainment filled with comedy, singing, and dancing is promised.

The Girls' and Women's Division is sponsoring the "Manila Variety Show" as a benefit for the Women's Inter-Island Play Day, which is scheduled for March 22 on Molokai, and it will be appreciated a great deal if every one will make it a point to attend one of the three shows or pass the information to others who may be able to attend.

Tickets may be secured from Miss Zulawinski, Mrs. Kukea, Miss Park or any of the Palama Women's Athletic Association members.

Admission for adults will be 40¢; students 25¢ and children under 12 yrs of age 10¢.

Please pass the word around. Your Kokua will be heartily appreciated.

ROOSEVELT HI GIRLS WIN FIRST GAME

Roosevelt High girls basketball team coached by Mrs. Rolph won the first game of the High School girls league which opened last Wednesday. Mrs. Kukea refereed the game and the score 15 to 9.

A large crowd turned out to witness the game and lots of enthusiastic cheering took place.

Farrington High girls are to play the Palama girls this coming Wednesday. with Miss Zoe Lohr of McKinley acting as referee.

GIRLS BASKETBALL SKED TO START FRIDAY

Roosevelt, Central, and Kelakau Schools have entered teams in the Palama Junior High Girls Basketball League which is to start this week.

Roosevelt A will meet Central A at 3:00 o'clock in the Palama gymnasium, Friday, March 5th. Mrs. Kukea will referee and the new 1937 "center throw" rule will be used instead of the usual center toss. Other rule changes will also be instituted.

MISS KIM REPLACES MISS MISAWA

Miss Sally Kim, a Liliha Kindergarten teacher, will be in charge of the children's playground temporarily replacing Miss Winifred Misawa who is out with a case of Measles. Although Miss Misawa had the Measles before, it didn't seem to prevent her from having them again. However, we hope they won't be too hard on her and that she'll be back with us soon.

MERRY PICNIC ENJOYED BY JR TRAILERS

Singing joyfully 25 members of the Junior Trailers Club rode through the busy section of the city attracting much attention with their merri-ment. The "Trailers" were out for a good time at a picnic planned at Wai-kiki and they didn't care who knew it.

Exciting and active games such as Red Light; Man, Wolf and Gun, Forfeits, and Genkins, were enjoyed immensely throughout the evening.

Refreshments consisting of hot chocolate, snails, and doughnuts were served at 9 o'clock. The refreshment committee certainly believed in providing ample food. Everyone had his fill and even the Palama workers who came to visit later in the evening were served, much to their delight.

Such a grand time was experienced by everyone that when the bus arrived to take the picnickers home at 10:00, all groaned and lamented and wondered where the time had gone so quickly.

More good times are anticipated by the Junior Trailers. Mr. Kong is the club leader. Miss Yuen acted as chaperon.