

SPORT

MERCURIO CLUB HOLDS PARTY

Alberto "Tony" Griffith and his Astoria Orchestra provided music for a delightful party held by Club Mercurio at La Boca, Friday night, Nov. 1, 1946.

The get-together was spiced by dance interpretations of track and field techniques. Mitchell Clovis, high jump ace, gave a rhumba description of Jaha Wilson doing the high jump and drew an encore with his impersonation of Reggie Beekford's deepbreathing exercises.

Josefina Lewis, national hurdles champion, went through the mechanics of hurdling to the tune of tantalizing music. Cirilo McSween, quarter-mile king, in partnership with Josefina Lewis, scored with his high-knee-action stomp and passing-the-baton danzon.

Much credit for the success of the party is due Fernando Barnett, director of the Astoria Orchestra, who offered the service of his musicians without charges.

SPORTS CHATTER

Humberto Aleman, hard-punching amateur bantamweight, shaded Negro Panay in the semi-finals of the pre-Olympic boxing eliminations... Wilfredo Brewster tackles Escalante Thursday at the National Gymnasium in the finals for the province of Panama... Joseph Thomas defeated Clayton Clarke, Luis Welch, and other ranking sprinters... The Panamanian Olympic football team has sailed for El Salvador for a three-game series... Local promoters are demanding that Jackie Robinson accompany the Brooklyn Dodgers to Panama... La Boca Jr. High boys defeated Gamboa 15-2, 15-0 in volley ball. The La Boca girls also were victorious, 15-8-15-10... Panama's Olympic track team leaves for Barranquilla November 28... Lloyd La Beach will arrive in Panama November 20 to join the track team that will compete in the Central American Olympics.

FOOTBALL ENDS TIED-UP

Panama's Olympic football team ended the international series in San Salvador on even terms with the Salvadorean All Stars for the best performance of an Isthmian soccer squad in contests abroad.

Paper Anderson, the spearhead of the forward line was ably supported by Rangel and Martinez. Tejada was a tower of strength on the back line.

SCHOOL SPORTS

La Boca won the junior high volley ball tournament of the Pacific Side schools by defeating the boys and girls of Gamboa at La Boca and trouncing the Red Tank teams at Red Tank, Pacific and Atlantic finalists meet at Paraiso November 23 for the Canal Zone title.

La Boca senior high slammers journey to Gatun Saturday to engage Silver City in the first game of the volley ball series. Boys and girls will participate. La Boca copped the soccer championship but will be hard pressed by the

seasoned volley ball players of Silver City.

A special series is on tap for La Boca Normal School and the two high schools. The normalites tangle with Silver City High November 22 at Silver City.

Spicy intramural volley ball leagues are being conducted at La Boca High. The Normal Octet and Sextet are setting the pace in the girls' and boys' circuits.

Amateur boxing hit new

peaks during the tournament of the province of Panama which came to a brilliant close Thursday.

The finalists meet the Gold Coast champions next week for the national titles and the right to represent the Republic in the Central American Olympics.

The champions of the province of Panama are: Fernanlo Blanco, flyweight; Humberto Aleman, bantamweight; Wilfredo Brewster, featherweight; Efrain Gomez, lightweight; Arturo Arboleda, welter weight; David Bernal, middleweight; and Jumbo Median, heavyweight.

SPORTS CHATTER

OLYMPIC TRACK TEAM... Coach Bellizaire's girl athletes are in better condition than the boys. Amy Foster and Carmen Worrell should run one-two in the Central American Olympics. These girls had a thrilling duel in the trials held Sunday. Foster won by inches in the 100-meter dash in 12.3. They ran a dead-heat in the 50-yard run... Clayton Clarke was extended to the fullest to defeat Clifford Loney who was followed by Joseph Thomas and Luis Welch in the century... St. Clair Brown signalled a return to peak condition by trouncing a strong field, which included Clarke, Thomas, Welch, and Loney, in the 200-meter event... Luis

Kicketts took the measure of Benskin and Prince in the 900 but bowed to Benskin in a stretch-drive in the 1500... Arturo Thomas sped over the 110-meter hurdles in 15.7 for the best time of the year on the Isthmus... Sylvia Forde is now clearing the bar at 4 feet 10 inches. She is a favorite in the coming Olympiad... A team of quarter-milers, McSween, Ferguson, Matthews, and McLeod, will run a special 4x110 relay with the sprinting team of Brown, Welch, Loney, and Clarke, next Sunday morning... Arturo Grant is burning up the track in the 5000 and 10,000... Many important changes in the track team will be announced this week.

A MARITIMER SPEAKS AGAINST "STATUS QUO"

Editor ACCION Sir:

There are those on the Canal Zone who wish to maintain the "status quo" and who consciously plan and work to be sure it is maintained. In doing this they attempt to obstruct and prevent and if possible entirely destroy, any move on the part of the people to free themselves from the shameful policy of discrimination, inequality, and the almost inconceivable denial of the elementary democratic rights. This in spite of the proven loyalty of the Canal Zone workers amply demonstrated during the war. These people apparently do not recognize the facts. They blind themselves to the principles for which the war was fought. The war-time leaders of the Big Three, Roosevelt, Stalin, and Churchill, told the world in those critical days that victory would bring democracy, security and peace. All agreed we were fighting and sacrificing for the common good. For this, millions died! Among them were all races and colors. Torpedoes, bullets, shells and

mines respected no color and only red blood flowed.

How can these people forget so quickly? Or is it perhaps they never held these principles in their hearts but remained silent out of fear? Now that the war is won and the bloody, violent issue of freedom of Nazi slavery has been fought out, we again witness anti-democratic, anti-union elements feverishly working to cancel out everything for which the people fought. Can they get away with it? Will they succeed where Hitler, Mussolini and Hirohito failed? The answer lies with you. Only a strong, fighting, progressive union that holds for equal rights for all people can best guarantee that it shall not happen again. This is the best answer to those on the Canal Zone who would deny the Atlantic Charter. It is the answer they understand. Well do they know that democratic unions representing the best interest of the people are the main and toughest obstacle to the maintenance of the "status quo."

It now falls upon the Canal Zone workers to further imple-

ment the principles created and made manifest during the war. These principles you well know. They are framed in the program of the CIO and held forth by over six million members of all races, creeds and colors. Under the banner of the UPW-CIO you will build so that the dead shall not have died in vain. In this worthy effort you can be confident of the full support of the NMU-CIO.

It becomes the responsibility of every man and woman on the Canal Zone interested in preserving the peace and seeking a decent and secure life to assist the UPW in bringing democracy to ALL the people. Only in that way can they best protect themselves.

Canal Zone workers: BUILD A STRONG UNION! Draw in those thousands whose aspirations are the same as yours. Spread the principles of the CIO, the same principles for which the great F. D. Roosevelt gave his life! Prove to those who would maintain the status quo that their Hitlerite ideas are doomed!

Fraternally,
NMU—er.

NEW OFFICE

Balboa, Nov. 9.— On Saturday Nov. 2, the office equipment and personnel of Local 713, UPW-CIO moved from the offices of the P.C.W.I.E.A. to the new CIO "office" in the basement of building No. 905 across from the restaurant. Altho the organization is "open for business" there are many things to be done to the building to bring it up to specifications. The new office is a lot more spacious than the last one and will take care of much of the departmentalization. Thanks to the PCW. IEA, for the hospitality shown during the past months

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