

## CABARET RIALTO—WRONGS THAT NEED RESISTANCE

Sometime ago, the Cabaret Rialto, as we are sure our readers are aware, changed ownership, which resulted also in the retaining of the services of the employees thereof by the new owners. The new owners comprising of approximately twenty persons, all Spaniards, immediately on taking over, effected drastic changes, such as replacing former employees with their own number, among the effected changes was that of Mr. Antonio Dahinden, Cashier, who had been handling the register for quite sometime in the past to the entire satisfaction of all concerned, to the position of bartender. Upon assuming the latter position, Mr. Dahinden was given strict orders by the management that he must at all cost make one bottle of whiskey serve thirty-eight (38) highballs. This, of course, in all fairness was an impossibility without resorting to the means of adulterating the whiskey. On many occasions patrons of the cabaret were most emphatic in their complaint about the inferiority—weakness of the high balls served them, and in too numerous instances directed indecent remarks and abusive language to Mr. Dahinden. These remarks and language were becoming chronic, in consequence of which, he took the matter up with the management to only receive unpleasant replies; with the further directive for him to carry out the orders given. The climax of the issue was reached three weeks ago when on serving an American customer his usual drink—a high ball—Mr. Dahinden was given to understand that unless he takes immediate steps to correct the unfair practice so long indulged in, a means will be found to bring

pressure on the establishment, and in addition attempted to create a disturbance, as a result whereof and in order to obviate any further unpleasantness between himself and the customer, inasmuch as the cause was no fault of his, he there and then explained to the referred to customer that, as an employee, he was only carrying out the instructions of his superior and referred him to the management. During a long drawn out argument between this customer and the management, the former protested the action of the latter, and not receiving the required solution as would and should be expected of every fairminded and reasonable person, the customer there and then threw the contents of the glass (high ball) which he then held in his hand in the face of the management. On account of this incident, the management without prior notice changed the hours of work of Mr. Dahinden. The latter on reporting the following day in compliance with the change, was met with the advice that his hours of work has been again changed and for him to report as formerly. This action did not meet with the approval of Mr. Dahinden, who advised the management of such; stating that he is a man and not a boy and should not be made fun at and be played with, and thereupon resigned his job.

In regard to the above, a complaint of Mr. Dahinden, the union is sanguine of the injustices that have been practiced in the past and are still being practiced by the Management of the Cabaret Rialto, in view of which, has decided in bringing same to the attention of the general public.

## BARTENDERS AND WAITERS UNION —COLON BRANCH—

We are pleased to state that due to the zealotness, untiring efforts and the will to find a way out—surmounting all difficulties—a branch of the union was, on the 17th May, 1945, formally established in the City of Colon. During the course of the business of which the mentioned action was consummated, the issuance of "Carnets" (identification cards) identical to those issued to member of the Panama Union, was effected to persons who affiliated themselves with the Union. This was done in order to obviate any possible friction with members of the defunct union still having in their possession "carnets" (I. C.) issued by the said defunct union. It is advised that only such persons as are in possession of the Panama Union identification will be considered as members.

The following named gentlemen have been appointed a Union in the City of Colon: they are authorized and empowered with full power to act for and in the name of the Union in so far as the business of the said City of Colon is concerned and it is hesitate for the time being in disclosing them to the public. However, and as stated in the

wish of the union that every possible support be given them in the discharge of their duties:

RIGOBERTO GONZALEZ,  
JOSE CEBALLOS,  
CIPRIANO SANTOS.

We regret very, very much to mention that there are quite a few oppositionists operating in the City of Colon to the detriment of the Union, the names of whom are in our hands, but keeping with the policy of the Union, we issue of the 17th May, 1945—we repeat "every lane has got a turning just as much as a coil of rope must reach its end when uncoiled," we, therefore, issue a compound warning for them to cease unpleasantness, otherwise the union's recourse will not be a pleasant one.

We wish to assure our comrades on both the Atlantic and Pacific sides that we were highly and rightly entertained by messrs Alfred Benjamin and Isaac Kersch of Colon. Our thanks to these gentlemen is published elsewhere in this issue.

Good luck and prosperity is the fervent wish of the union to both these two gentlemen and may they be spared more years of usefulness to their fellowmen; with friendship to all and malice towards none.

## INTEREST OF LOCAL INFORMATION

We note with much concern and interest, the progress that has been and are still being made by the Mechanics' Syndicate, due in the main to the harmony which exists within the rank and file of this organization and the undivided support given to the Executive Heads thereof.

Quite recently, a private-unsolicited investigation-survey was conducted into the affairs of the syndicate which discloses it to be what may be justly termed: "A WELL OILED-SMOOTH RUNNING PIECE OF WORKING MACHINERY;" results of the efficiency and capable handling coupled with constructive and timely advice and counsels of such honest-to-goodness gentlemen as Mr. Manuel Herrera, a very forceful and able worker; Mr. Gmo. de Leon, all round mechanic and one who is untiring in all efforts for the good of his fellowmen; Mr. Roman M. Eltre, Secretary of Propaganda, who is not only progressive but fearless in all matters undertaken by and entrusted to him, and many others who from time to time have never failed in lending their assistance in whatever way possible to enhance the well being and upliftment of the syndicate.

We would not be justified should we fail in making special mention of Messrs. Jacob Spencer and Donald Davis, Master Mechanic and Engineering Mechanic, respectively for the invaluable services rendered this organization by each of these gentlemen: it would entail too much time to give but even a synopsis, suffice it to say that the syndicate is indeed lucky in having such as affiliates and friends. It would be well for all persons that are eligible for membership to become members without further delay.

MASONS, PLASTERERS AND BRICKLAYERS UNION: We take great pleasure and it is with elation, too, that we commend this youthful organization to the public for the strides it has made during its but two (2) months of coming into being as evidence by a unique a well conducted function held by it on Sunday, the 20th May, 1945, in the salon of the Bar Tenders and Waiters Union, this City. The referred to function was, by all present, voted a one hundred per cent success; for by the unity of both spirit and purpose so ably manifested throughout, the fact was established: "ALL'S WELL IN THE CAMP." The inadequacy of space at the present time precludes the given in detail the many fine sentiments of good well so highly expressed by several of the invited guests prominently among whom was Mr. Juan Nieto, whose address was not only appropriate of the occasion, but a masterpiece masterfully rendered. He certainly outdid himself, and left no stone unturned in his admonition of the necessity of unionizing and what labor union stands for.

Refreshments of the daintiest dishes; the finest of rare vintage and other select brands of liquors were served during the function.

## A Word—President Harry S. Truman

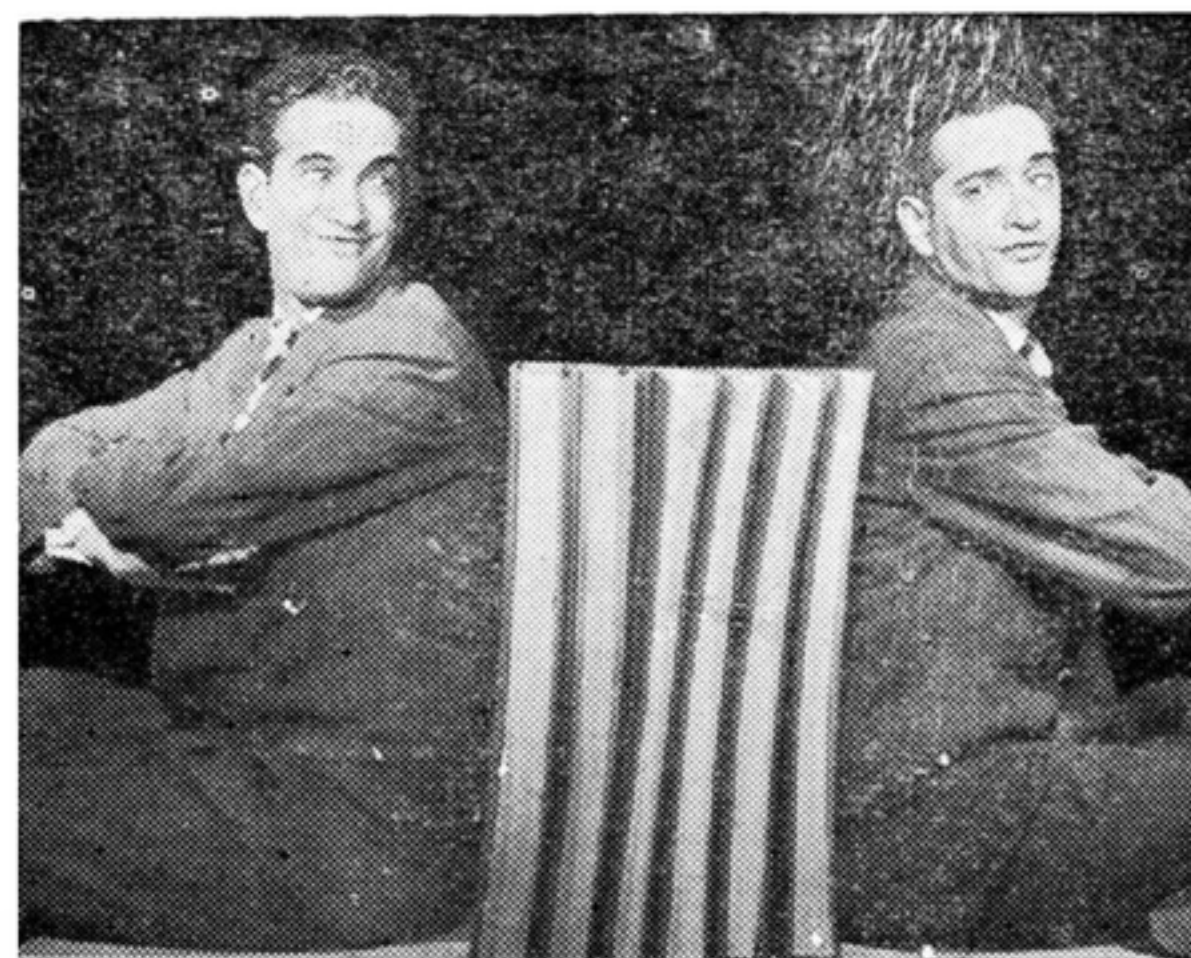


Of course, as one would sometimes say: "IT'S TOO EARLY TO FORM A CONCLUSION." Nevertheless, we of the Bar Tenders and Waiters Union of the Republic of Panama, feel that we are fully justified in paying homage to, and tributing the sterling qualities of His Excellency Harry S. Truman, President of the United States of North America, as a noble and fitting successor of the late illustrious President Franklin Delano Roosevelt of blessed memory. We have, since his assumption of that exalted office, paid very keen attention of his every official act as publicly disclosed, therefore, have arrived at the conclusion that he is following each and every example of the late F. D.R.; the most outstanding of which to date, and in which all Panamanian should and must be interested, is the declaration directing the Governor of The Panama Canal Zone of the action to be taken in connection with Municipal (water) service in the Republic where our Government is

concerned. This, in itself, clearly establishes his interest in the welfare of our country and the continuing of the good neighbor policy—the vision of his late predecessor.

It is felt that we are not singular in predicting that Mr. Truman will measure up to that high standard and will gain for himself a name not unlike the late Mr. Roosevelt, not only by his fellow citizens of the United States of North America, but of the entire world—especially those of the Americas.

The Bar Tenders and Waiters Union of the Republic of Panama avail itself this opportunity of wishing Mr. Truman a successful and prosperous term of office; that the Almighty God will give him wisdom and understanding to faithfully discharge his duties which as we are aware; are of great responsibility, and in his dealings with his fellowmen; that he may long live and that at the end of life's journey on this sphere it will be said of him: WELL DONE.



**LEWIS BESIDE HIMSELF**—Robert Q. Lewis, whose "Institute for Mass Knowledge" is heard these Saturdays, dispensing his zany hints for improving the mind, is seen in his study in a typical studious position. He usually poses this way because someone once told him he was smart enough to be twins.