



Good going by Pamberi

PAMBERI, the San Juan band that continues to impress leaves the Savannah stage after playing well enough to place sixth in the National Panorama Finals.

15 steelbands in Hoyte's Bomb contest

FIFTEEN steelbands in central and south Trinidad will participate in the 17th Annual Hoyte's Bomb Competition.

This Carnival-J'ouvert landmark competition will be held from 5 a.m. to 10 a.m. today on lower High Street near the Ali's doubles booth.

The winning band will receive a John Hoyte challenge trophy and a cash prize of \$1,700. Special cash awards will be presented to the captain, tuner and arranger of the top band.

There will be sixth place cash prizes for the first time to make up for the disbandment of the unsponsored steelband category.

All participating bands will receive a par-

ticipation fee of \$200 plus a case of Stag Lager Beer courtesy the National Brewing Company and a case of any of the products of S.M. Jaleel and Company.

John Hoyte said that there was also the innovation of the Southern Electric Limited's \$500 cash prize for the best costumed 'ole mas' steelband. There will also be a prize for the most outstanding 'ole mas' individual among the participating steelbands.

Other cash awards will be given for the best pan around the neck, the best college or school band, the best pan pushers, the best rhythm section, the best iron man and the best female flag waver. A total of \$15,000 will be at stake.

Cops to bandleaders: Co-operate with us

ASSISTANT Commissioner Police (South) Clinton Whitehead warned bandleaders to ensure that masqueraders were not in possession of weapons or sold alcoholic beverages in the bands without the appropriate licences.

ACP Whitehead and Senior Superintendent Peter Richards briefed bandleaders on their responsibilities under the law on Carnival days at the San Fernando Police Headquarters on Saturday morning.

ACP Whitehead advised bandleaders to ensure that vehicles used to transport equipment in bands be appropriately licenced. He said police permission must also be sought for such vehicles to use the approved Carnival routes. ACP Whitehead said that once masqueraders obeyed the law, Carnival in San Fernando will be a pleasant experience for all concerned.

He stressed that masqueraders should co-operate with the police at all times.