



PANMEN SEEN DRAWING FOR POSITION YESTERDAY

PICTURE BY OSSIE CORDNER

Panmen and bandleaders in row for more money

STEELBANDSMEN last night went to draw for positions in which they would play in the preliminaries of the Panorama competition, but ended up in a quarrel over money with the Carnival Development Committee (CDC).

It happened at the CDC's office on Queen Street, Port of Spain, when bandleaders and representatives asked the CDC to raise its \$3,200 first prize by \$1,800 to \$5,000.

But after much bickering, coupled with noisy protests, CDC's chairman, Mr. Ivan Williams, made it plain that it could not give further increases this year.

The panmen cooled down, obviously accepting the chairman's ruling, and immediately after panmen began drawing for positions.

Of the record 82 bands registered for the preliminaries scheduled for Saturday at 1 p.m. and Sunday at 9.30 a.m. 35 will play on Saturday and 47 will play on Sunday.