

Results Of Steel Band Competition

"Who ever thought that steel drums could have been brought to such perfection that cups and cash would be donated to a competition of this new talent? It is marvellous, it is melodious. There is great hope of a steel band leaving Trinidad for the United States in the next five years", stated Mr. Walter David Hall, known as the "Flying Scotsman" of America, at the first steel band competition held at Woodford Square before a very large crowd on Sunday.

The sum of \$45 was donated by Alderman Norman Tang, Mayor, for the best band, \$15 by Councillor Michael Lee Lung, and \$10 by Mr. Hall. Four bands took part in the competition, and each rendered two numbers.

The results were as follows:—

(1) Katzenjammers Steel band who received 107 points. They received the Cup donated by Mr. C. A. Darmann, together with the Mayor's prize of \$35. This band which treated the large crowd with some fine music, also received a special prize from Mrs. Maria Lopez, a visitor from Venezuela, for playing a rumba "Mucura".

(2) Cairo Steel band received 105 points, and received the cup donated by Councillor Charles Netto, Mayor of Arima, together with a prize of \$15 given by Councillor Le Lung.

(3) Desperadoes received 96 points, and was given a cup donated by Mr. Mitra Shannan, together with \$10 given by Mr. Hall.

(4) Star Dust with 85 points.

Mr. Hall congratulated Mr. Romney, secretary of the Woodford Square Carnival competitions Committee, on the fine show and stated that he as a stranger was pleased with the performance of the steel bands, and hoped that on his return for the next carnival season he would donate \$100 for the best band. "I appreciate the sweet music from the steel drums which is really marvellous".

The Mayor, Councillors Lee Lung, Cook, and Monsegue all thanked both Mr. Romney and the Steel bandsmen, and asked the men to behave orderly as they had behaved during the competition through the carnival days, and show the general public that they could do it.

The judges were Councillors Lee Lung, Monsegue, and Cook, Miss D. Williams, and Miss Belfon.