

# Pan 'fever' by weekend

By PETER BLOOD

COME Saturday yet another facet of Carnival 1986 will be unveiled. With calypso, both at the senior and junior levels, in full swing attention now shifts to this weekend's regional Panorama preliminaries. Judging will take place at two venues as more than 100 steelbands vie for a place in the national semi-final.

The South/Central Regional preliminary gets underway at Skinner's Park on Saturday from 12 noon, while the North/East Regional prelim is scheduled for 1 p.m. on Sunday at the Queen's Park Savannah.

These two rounds of competitions will feature four reigning champions in American Stores Exodus (East Regional), Dunlop Tornadoes (South Regional), Amoco Renegades (North Regional and National joint winner), and WITCO Desperadoes (National joint winner).

Each of these bands possess the expertise and ability to win in their respective zones as well as

emerge a national champion. Exodus, no longer "the little big" band of Tunapuna, has

graduated into a force to reckon with in pan. After thrilling thousands with its prize-winning version of "Me Ent Fighting" in '85, the guys

and gals in the black and silver jerseys are back again with Lucifer, yet another Bally gem. The

band has retained the services of arrangers Harold and Kenrick Headley in its quest to greatness.

Arranger Jit Samaroo has two defending champions in this weekend's toss up. Tornadoes, immortalised in song by

Blue Boy as "the unknown band" is now widely known and respected as the pride of south. Captain Cuthy

Matthews is confident that his 100 musicians will rock Skinner's Park on Saturday with their stunning rendition of Blue Boy's "Cinderella".

## Panorama '86

Renegades, Samaroo's other charge in Sunday's race, is perched on the threshold of pan history and victory at the national level this year will not only give the east Port of Spain band its niche in history books but, will also make Renegades the first band to score a hattrick in this competition. Kitchener's "Pan, Here To Stay" will be Renegades selection and Samaroo has been taking night to make day to ensure glory for captain Penco and his band.

Also poised for the history books is six-time national Panorama winner Desperadoes. Up to press time Despers' tune of choice was "The Hammer" by David Rudder and Charlie's Roots. Although an unusual selection for the giants from Laventille hill, this is perhaps the most relevant choice specifically because of the song's tribute to late Desperadoes administrator Rudolph Charles.

# CALYPSO REVUE

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