

APPRECIATION OF THIS SERVICE:

This service was greatly appreciated by everyone connected with the work in the various communities to which it was rendered and without it the playground programs with untrained workers would have fallen far short of expectations. In most of the outlying communities the number of available R.F.C. workers was far more limited than in Los Angeles City and very few workers with playground experience or training were to be found. This rendered the task difficult and made our service practically essential. The work accomplished is proof of the value of this type of county coordinating, worker training and promotional service to the smaller communities which are not served by any organized recreation system.

EXERPTS FROM REPORTS:

A carefully prepared report on her work in ~~each~~^{each} community was submitted ~~to~~^{to} the County Recreation Department by this worker, subdivided under the following topical headings: Program Analysis; New Activities Being Developed; Cooperation and Ability of Workers; Community Attitude and Response; Recommendations. Following are a few excerpts from the reports of this worker showing the careful planning and development of programs:

GOVINA:

" To give ~~impetus~~^{impetus} to the development of the boys' program, I suggested a boys' Track Meet and Field Day to be held August 11th. The Directors agreed that we would have to do something to attract the boys and get behind the suggestion with real interest and a will to put it over. We worked out ~~the~~ events, ways and means to get the word to the public, which included a movie trailer, announcements in the newspapers and posters in strategic places. We also decided to have a Girl's Track meet the following week because it would add to the interest and enthusiasm.

Considerable discussion took place at this meeting on the daily program and how to strengthen it. I gave patterns and help in handcraft and suggestions as to how to work out the other phases of a good daily program.

A Fair was planned on this visit to include a general exhibition of all types of work done on the playgrounds this summer and will include handcraft exhibitions of both boys' and girls' work, a pantomime, an exhibition of wrestling - taught by our ~~own~~^{specialist} ~~show~~ - a pet show, then, after a picnic supper, as a grand finale, a lantern fete will be held instead of the customary fireworks. Patterns and help in the making of lanterns was given ~~to~~ and the program planned for the Fair."

A demonstration of handcraft was given also patterns and help in making them. They were welcomed with great enthusiasm on the part of the director. The man worker had not yet reported on the ground, so suggestions and patterns for boys's work ~~was~~^{were} to be passed on through the director.

In going over the daily program and suggestions for music,