

made to have this undesirable practice discontinued - Three months have past and our fisherman are still selling fish on the ground at the "head" of the "Fish Alley".

As pointed out in the abovementioned editorial, it is not only un-sanitary to have fish lying on the ground - But, in the immediate vicinity where our fishermen have chosen to sell their fish on the ground are located:

- (a) Pan American World Airways Office.
- (b) Two of our most modern stores.
- (c) A modern Liquor Shop.
- (d) A modern and up-to-date Snack Bar and Cold Storage.

The above are all places which are frequently visited by tourists- And what can make a worse impression on a visitor, than the feeling that no attention is paid to un-sanitary conditions??

Once more we are forced to call the attention of the

Authorities to this undesirable condition and make an appeal that something be done to stop it N O W.

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COMMENTS ON THE CHRISTMAS PLAY

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It is indeed satisfactory to the members of the Play Committee to have been graced with the presence of a large crowd of about one thousand five hundred; It was really a commendable attempt to a replica

of the events that memorably marked the birth of our Christian era.

Congratulations can never be adequate to this body of organizers and worthy participants who did within the scope of their ability to enhance a deeper spirit of Christmas in the hearts of those that were present. The presentation was unique altogether; eventhough the wave of interest varied, the behavior of the multitude gathered demonstrated that they were absorbed in the action.

It must be noted in the meantime that though the reproduction was of a plausible nature, yet is is not devoid of its faults; the representation typified a modern society more than this ancient and Jewish town - Bethlehem; it must be remembered that the customs and entertainments of this present age are different from those times; and the slighting of this fact led to the situation that shall be referred to in subsequent paragraphs.

There are two orders from the present day life - Catalogue which did not fit into the atmosphere of the play; these nises en scene are the shaking of hands as those days' cus-

tom of greeting, and the steelband as entertainment; the Bethlehemites were ignorant of shaking hands as a form of meeting each other, and the steelband was an unfair representation of the means by which they were entertained; these borrowings caused the dramatic effect to be minimized, and did not contribute anyway since these tended to stray the spectators' mind from the little town of Bethlehem to a today's environment.

Our world is constantly in a state of revolution; practices and behaviour that were alive two thousand years ago are dead

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