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C.A.S. RECRUITMENT CAMPAIGN -- A SUCCESS
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THE RECRUITMENT CAMPAIGN RECENTLY LAUNCHED BY THE CIVIL AID SERVICES HAS BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL.

A C.A.S. SPOKESMAN SAID THAT DURING THE ONE-DAY EXERCISE, OVER 2,000 APPLICATIONS FOR ENROLMENT IN THE ADULT SERVICE AND 600 APPLICATIONS FOR ENROLMENT IN THE CADET CORPS WERE RECEIVED.

IN VIEW OF THE LARGE NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS, HE SAID, APPLICANTS WOULD HAVE TO WAIT FOR ABOUT TWO MONTHS BEFORE THEY WERE CALLED FOR INTERVIEW.

HOWEVER, HE ADDED THAT EVERY EFFORT WAS BEING MADE TO SPEED UP THE PROCESS OF APPLICATIONS.

AT PRESENT, THE C.A.S. HAS A STRENGTH OF 2,020 ADULT MEMBERS AND 1,541 CADETS. THEIR DUTIES RANGE FROM HELPING OTHER REGULAR EMERGENCY SERVICES IN COMBATING NATURAL DISASTERS TO ASSISTING IN THE REGISTRATION AND FEEDING OF THE HOMELESS.

THE ADULT RECRUITS WILL BE TRAINED TO HANDLE CASUALTIES, TO CONDUCT LIGHT AND HEAVY SEARCH AND RESCUE OPERATIONS AND TO GIVE ASSISTANCE TO PEOPLE LOST OR INJURED IN THE MOUNTAINS. THEY WILL ALSO BE TRAINED IN CROWD CONTROLLING, FOREST FIRE-FIGHTING AND MANNING TYPHOON SHELTERS.

ON THE OTHER HAND, THOSE RECRUITED FOR THE CADET CORPS WILL BE TAUGHT THE BASIC SKILLS AS PRACTISED IN THE ADULT SERVICE IN ADDITION TO CAMPING, COUNTRYSIDE MANAGEMENT AND HOME RECREATION. FOR THE BIGGER BOYS, MORE ADVANCED COURSES WILL BE HELD IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING, CANOE-MAKING AND MOUNTAINEERING TECHNIQUES.

IN SHORT, THE SPOKESMAN SAID, ALL THESE ACTIVITIES AIMED TO GUIDE AND TRAIN THE CADETS TO BECOME GOOD CITIZENS.

+IT IS INDEED ENCOURAGING TO SEE SO MANY PEOPLE, BOTH ADULTS AND YOUTHS, WILLING TO DEVOTE THEIR LEISURE TIME TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY,+ HE SAID.

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PLENTY OF OPPORTUNITIES FOR PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOL LEAVERS

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MANY PUPILS CLAMOUR TO JOIN PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS BECAUSE THERE ARE PLENTY OF OPPORTUNITIES FOR PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOL LEAVERS, THE ACTING DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION (TECHNICAL), MR. DANIEL WATERS, SAID TODAY (SATURDAY).

ADDRESSING THE JOINT SPEECH DAY OF FOUR CARITAS PREVOCATIONAL SCHOOLS IN THE COMMUNITY HALL OF CARITAS HOUSE IN CAINE ROAD, HE SAID MANY OF THE SCHOOL LEAVERS WOULD GO DIRECTLY INTO EMPLOYMENT IN INDUSTRY.

+BECAUSE THEY HAVE STUDIED A CRAFT IN-DEPTH THEY ARE NORMALLY ALLOWED TO ENTER DIRECTLY INTO THE SECOND YEAR OF AN APPRENTICESHIP,+ HE SAID. +AGAIN, BECAUSE OF THEIR PREVIOUS STUDIES IN ONE OF YOUR SCHOOLS THEY ARE NORMALLY ALLOWED TO ENTER THE SECOND YEAR OF A PART-TIME DAY-RELEASE COURSE AT A TECHNICAL INSTITUTE.+

MR. WATERS POINTED OUT THAT HONG KONG WAS A BIG BUSTLING CITY FULL OF ACTIVITY AND IT NEEDED A LARGE WORKFORCE.

+MANY EXCITING PROJECTS ARE UNDERWAY OR WILL MATERIALISE WITHIN THE NEAR FUTURE, FOR EXAMPLE, TAKE THE NEW UNDERGROUND RAILWAY.

+THEN THERE IS THE LARGE NETWORK OF ROADS AND THE MANY LARGE BUILDING PROJECTS -- BOTH PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT -- WHICH ARE UNDERWAY OR WILL TAKE SHAPE,+ HE SAID.

MR. WATERS TOLD THE GRADUATES THAT IT WAS A GOOD TIME FOR THEM TO TAKE STOCK OF THEMSELVES, TO SIZE UP THEIR CAPABILITIES AND DRAW UP PLANS FOR THE FUTURE.

+THERE IS NOTHING LIKE BEING AMBITIOUS, BUT I MUST WARN YOU NOT TO BE TOO AMBITIOUS.

+AFTER YOU HAVE DRAWN UP A PLAN, IT IS UP TO YOU TO CARRY IT OUT. DON'T LET ANYTHING PUT YOU OFF ACHIEVING IT. YOU HAVE A DUTY TO YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY TO MAKE THE MOST OF YOURSELF,+ HE SAID.

MR. WATERS POINTED OUT THAT THEY ALSO HAD A DUTY TO THE COMMUNITY IN WHICH THEY LIVE. +THAT IS WHY YOU SHOULD JOIN SOME ORGANISATION THAT DOES WORK FOR CHARITY,+ HE SAID.

HE ALSO MADE IT CLEAR THAT IT SHOULD NOT BE ALL WORK AND NO PLAY. +EVERYONE OF US SHOULD HAVE SOME HOBBY WHICH WE ENJOY DOING OUTSIDE OUR WORK-A-DAY LIFE,+ HE SAID.

FINALLY, MR. WATERS PAID TRIBUTE TO THE CHINESE PARENTS +FOR THE WAY THEY ARE PREPARED TO SACRIFICE ALMOST ANYTHING TO EDUCATE THEIR CHILDREN.+

+IN GENERAL, THIS IS COMMENDABLE, ALTHOUGH ONE SOMETIMES FEELS THAT SOME PARENTS OVER-SACRIFICE TO GIVE THEIR CHILDREN A FIRST-RATE ACADEMIC EDUCATION, WHEN POSSIBLY AN ALTERNATIVE FORM, PERHAPS IN SOME TECHNICAL FIELD, MIGHT BE MORE SUITABLE,+ HE SAID.

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FIRE SERVICES TO RECRUIT 100 MORE FIREMEN

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THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT IS INVITING APPLICATIONS FROM YOUNG AND PHYSICALLY FIT MEN TO JOIN IN THE RANK OF FIREMEN.

ABOUT 100 MEN WILL BE RECRUITED TO FILL THE PRESENT VACANCIES AS WELL AS THOSE WHICH WILL ARISE IN THE NEAR FUTURE WHEN NEW FIRE STATIONS ARE BUILT.

THE NEW RECRUITS WILL BE TRAINED FOR GENERAL FIRE FIGHTING AND RESCUE DUTIES.

APPLICANTS SHOULD BE AGED BETWEEN 18 AND 30, HAVE GOOD PHYSIQUE AND NORMAL EYE SIGHT, BE ABLE TO SPEAK FLUENT CANTONESE, AND READ AND WRITE CHINESE. THEY SHOULD HAVE LIVED IN HONG KONG FOR A CONTINUOUS PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS OR MORE AT THE TIME OF APPLICATION.

ANYONE WHO IS INTERESTED SHOULD APPLY IN PERSON BETWEEN 1 P.M. AND 8 P.M. DAILY FROM AUGUST 3 TO 7 AT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING RECRUITMENT CENTRES:

HONG KONG ISLAND - HARBOUR ROAD FIRE STATION, HARBOUR ROAD

KOWLOON - TSIM SHA TSUI FIRE STATION, CANTON ROAD, AND
KWUN TONG FIRE STATION, KWUN TONG ROAD AND

NEW TERRITORIES - TSUEN WAN FIRE STATION, TAI CHUNG ROAD

HE SHOULD BRING ALONG HIS IDENTITY CARD TOGETHER WITH OTHER DOCUMENTS PROVING HIS RESIDENTIAL AND EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS.

APPLICATION FORMS WILL BE COMPLETED AT THE CENTRES WHERE PRELIMINARY PHYSICAL FITNESS TESTS WILL ALSO BE CARRIED OUT.

THE STARTING SALARY FOR A FIREMAN IS \$1,120 AND THE MAXIMUM IS \$1,635.

ON BEING SELECTED, A RECRUIT IS REQUIRED TO ATTEND THE FIRE SERVICES TRAINING SCHOOL AT PAT HEUNG FOR A SIX-MONTH RESIDENTIAL COURSE COVERING DIFFERENT ASPECTS OF FIRE FIGHTING. AT THE END OF THE INITIAL TRAINING, HE HAS TO PASS A FINAL EXAMINATION BEFORE BEING POSTED TO A FIRE STATION FOR DUTIES.

A RECRUIT WILL BE PUT ON PROBATION FOR THE FIRST THREE YEARS OF SERVICE, AFTER WHICH, PROVIDED HE HAS CARRIED OUT ALL HIS DUTIES SATISFACTORILY, HE IS CONFIRMED TO THE PERMANENT AND PENSIONABLE ESTABLISHMENT.

ALL MEMBERS OF THE DEPARTMENT ARE EXPECTED TO MAINTAIN A HIGH STANDARD OF DISCIPLINE AND TURNOUT.

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COMMENTING ON THE RECRUITMENT, A FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THE PROSPECTS FOR YOUNG MEN JOINING THE DEPARTMENT WERE VERY GOOD.

+EXPANSION OF THE DEPARTMENT OVER THE NEXT FEW YEARS ENSURES PROMOTION PROSPECTS FOR THOSE WHO ARE PREPARED TO WORK HARD AND STUDY TO BECOME QUALIFIED FOR HIGHER POSTS,+ HE STRESSED. +IN FACT, A LARGE NUMBER OF THE SERVING OFFICERS BEGAN THEIR CAREERS WITH THE DEPARTMENT AS FIREMEN OR AMBULANCEMEN,+

THE SPOKESMAN NOTED THAT A FIREMAN'S JOB WAS ONE THAT WOULD REQUIRE STRENGTH, INITIATIVE, COURAGE AND COOL-HEADEDNESS.

HE CALLED UPON YOUNG AND ENERGETIC MEN TO COME FORWARD TO JOIN THE FIRE SERVICES, WHICH IS ONE OF THE MOST MODERN IN THE WORLD.

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FUN-FAIR FOR YOUNGSTERS IN EASTERN DISTRICT
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ABOUT 3,000 YOUNG CHILDREN IN EASTERN DISTRICT WILL BE TREATED TO A FUN FAIR TOMORROW (SUNDAY) AFTERNOON AT QUEEN'S COLLEGE, CAUSEWAY BAY.

THE FUN FAIR, JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE CITY DISTRICT OFFICE (EASTERN) AND THE CAUSEWAY BAY KAIFONG ASSOCIATION, FORMS PART OF THE SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME FOR THE EASTERN CITY DISTRICT.

THERE WILL BE OVER 20 GAMES STALLS RUN BY VOLUNTEERS, SCHOOLS AND SOCIAL BODIES IN THE DISTRICT.

MR. SHUM CHOI-SANG, CHAIRMAN OF THE CAUSEWAY BAY KAIFONG ASSOCIATION, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY AT 1 P.M.

NOTE TO EDITORS: MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO COVER THE EVENT.

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GOVERNOR VISITS YOUTH CAMP

THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE TODAY FLEW BY HELICOPTER TO MA WAN WHERE HE SAW 40 YOUNG PEOPLE OF A YOUTH CAMP AT WORK.

THE CAMP, ORGANISED BY THE PRINCESS ALEXANDRA COMMUNITY CENTRE OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE CENTRE, IS ONE OF THE EVENTS IN THIS YEAR'S SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMME THAT SIR MURRAY WILL BE VISITING IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS.

MEETING HIM AT THE CAMP SITE WERE MR. HAROLD MOK, DISTRICT OFFICER/URBAN, TSUEN WAN= MR. JOHN TODD, DISTRICT OFFICER/RURAL, TSUEN WAN= MR. WONG KING-TONG, COMMUNITY AND YOUTH OFFICER, TSUEN WAN= MRS. MARGARET AU, WARDEN OF PRINCESS ALEXANDRA COMMUNITY CENTRE AND MR. CHAN KWONG-CHUEN, CHAIRMAN OF MA WAN RURAL COMMITTEE.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS WORK CAMP IS TO GIVE THE YOUTHS IN TSUEN WAN DISTRICT AN OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN MEANINGFUL COMMUNITY PROJECTS.

THEY ARE ONE OF THE FOUR GROUPS OF YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE CURRENTLY CONSTRUCTING THE 1,200 FOOT-LONG CONCRETE PATH STRETCHING FROM A SITE NEAR MA WAN PUBLIC PIER TO NAM WAN.

IN ADDITION, THEY WILL ALSO ORGANISE VARIETY SHOWS AND SEMINARS FOR RESIDENTS IN THE EVENING.

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NEW FEES FOR 1977 H.K.C.E.E.

THE INITIAL ENTRY FEES FOR THE HONG KONG CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION EXAMINATION, 1977 WILL BE RAISED FROM \$25 TO \$28.

HOWEVER, THE SUBJECT ENTRY FEES WILL REMAIN UNCHANGED, I.E. \$5 PER SUBJECT FOR SCHOOL CANDIDATES AND \$10 PER SUBJECT FOR PRIVATE CANDIDATES.

THIS ADJUSTMENT OF INITIAL ENTRY FEES WHICH WAS DECIDED BY GOVERNMENT AFTER CONSULTING THE HONG KONG CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION BOARD, IS TO MEET THE RISING COST OF OPERATING THE EXAMINATION.

CANDIDATES OF THE HONG KONG CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION EXAMINATION WILL BE PAYING ABOUT HALF THE TOTAL COST OF THE EXAMINATION AS WAS THE CASE BEFORE THE REVISION OF FEES.

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FOLK GROUP MAKES SWEET MUSIC AT SHEK O

DELAYED BY TYPHOON SIGNALS THAT POSTPONED LAST WEEK'S TWO BEACH SPECIALS, THE +SACCHARIDES+, A FIVE-MEMBER FOLK GROUP FROM DELIA MEMORIAL SCHOOL, WILL MAKE THEIR FIRST PUBLIC APPEARANCE ON THE MOBILE STAGE AT SHEK O BEACH TOMORROW (SUNDAY).

OTHER PROGRAMMES FOR THIS 90-MINUTE SHOW OF MIXED ENTERTAINMENT WILL INCLUDE SONGS BY POP SINGER JIMMY YUE AND THREE TVB ARTISTES, MUSIC BY THE COMBO BAND +THE NICE BALL+ AND A 'CLEAN BEACH' DRAMA.

THE SHOW WILL START AT 3.30 P.M. WHEN CLEAN YOUR CITY GROUP MEMBERS FROM THE SHAUKIWAN GOVERNMENT SECONDARY SCHOOL WILL BE IN ACTION OFF-STAGE.

THEY WILL INVOLVE BEACHGOERS IN THE CLEAN-UP EXERCISE BY DISTRIBUTING LITTER BAGS AND LEAFLETS, AFTER WHICH THEY WILL OFFER TO REMOVE RUBBISH FOR THEM.

FREE FRISBEES WILL BE AWARDED TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HANDING IN BAGS OF LITTER THEY HAVE COLLECTED THEMSELVES.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SEND A REPRESENTATIVE TO COVER THE BEACH SHOWS AT SHEK O BEACH.

MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA SHOULD ASSEMBLE AT QUEEN'S PIER AT 1.45 P.M. TOMORROW TO WAIT FOR THE SPECIAL COACH.

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