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EVACUATION A MILITARY CENTER OBSERVES NECESSITY - TSUKAMOTO MEMORIAL DAY JOBS FOR EVERYONE AT RELOCATION CENTERS

"Primary reason why the Japanese citizens were evacuated is not because loyal nisei could not be distinguished from disloyal, but is based upon the fact that Army was necessitated to protect Japanese-American citizens as well as alien Japanese," Walter Tsukamoto, Japanese Council chairman told the Youth Fellowship, Sunday evening, May 31.

"It is impossible to distribute jobs to everyone in the assembly centers but in the relocation centers, everyone will be put to work as practical as possible," asserted Tsukamoto. "The Center was constructed by the Army in a short space of time of four weeks. Relocation centers will be more permanent in nature.

"It is entirely erroneous that only farm work is available in the relocation centers. Occupations in industry and professions will be abundant.

"It is contemplated that none of the wages will exceed that of a private's pay in the Army. Nevertheless, with living quarters, food, shelter, educational facilities provided, amount received will come to a great value."

Hymn singing led by Shigeru Okada brought the Fellowship to a close. Fumiko Yabe offered a vocal solo.

36 VOLUNTEERS LEAVE FOR IDAHO

Folding their tents and slipping away like the Arabs, 36 residents, including one woman, departed for Twin Falls, Idaho Monday.

Sugar beet workers left unnoticed, without the benefit of a rousingsendoff. Military police escorted them to the train at the Walerga station from where they left for Idaho.

Cost of transportation is furnished by the government and the board expense is to be met by the workers.

In a brisk impressive ceremony, the Center paid its homage to the war dead in observance of Memorial Day, at the Administration Court on Sunday.

Stars and stripes was lowered to half mast by the local Boy Scouts troop led by George Orite, and Mitsuru Nishio, while the buglers sounded the tap. Heads uncovered, residents joined in on the chorus of the national anthem, and a prayer was delivered by Rev. Shigeo Tanabe of the Methodist Church.

Buddhist girls' choir presented a few numbers at the program.

TEVIS PAINE NAMED ROTARY HEAD

Tevis Paine, Center service supervisor was named president of the Sacramento Chapter of the Rotary Club at the election meeting last Saturday in Sacramento.

Taking a leave of absence from the California State Fair, where he was assistant to the secretary, Paine has come to the Center to assist in the problems of Japanese evacuation. Paine was with the Fair for 24 years.

CENTER SCHOOL IN FULL SWING

Though handicapped with an acute lack of facilities, the first week of school successfully got under way under the leadership of capable teachers.

The purpose of the school here in this Center is to keep the children occupied in a constructive recreational and educational program.

Inasmuch as the facilities

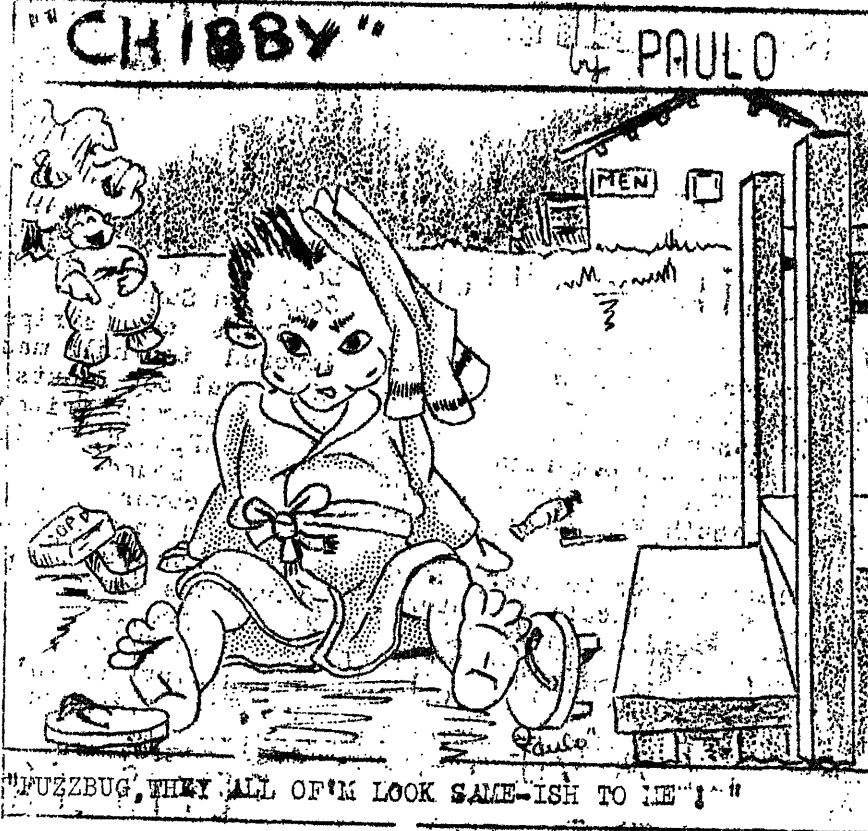
are inadequate the cooperation of students and their parents are requested with respect to pencils and papers.

On the regular teaching staff are: Tsugiye Fujii, Richard Fujioka, Fumi Hashimoto, Hisako Ishii, Ichiro Kamiya, Kimiyo Kawasaki, Albert Koga, Sumio Koga, Alice and Helen Mayeda, Fumio Nishida, Luther Nishimura, George Tsu-

chiya, Mas Sakada, May Sato and Chieko Shigekawa.

As full time secretaries are Marion Ishii and Pauline Suyehiro.

Teaching as auxiliaries are; Jim Hashimoto, Howard Imazeki, Masao Inada, Tetsuo Ito, Mrs. F. Kato, Noboru Kurihara, George Nakamura, Mitsuru Nishio, Mrs. M. Okada, George Orite, Mrs. F. Shiba and Mrs. G. Sugiyama.



"FUZZBUG, THEY ALL OF 'EM LOOK SAME-ISH TO ME!"

LONG LEGGED STORK DROPS A TWIN

A finishing touch was put to the end of induction, as far as this camp is concerned, by the arrival of tiny dimple-cheeked Penny and Patricia from Sacramento Sutter Hospital Saturday morning, after three weeks of confinement after birth.

Twin girls are the daughters of Mr. & Mrs. T. Fujita, Block 2 - 3A. The Fujitas are formerly of Los Angeles.

DO YOU HAVE A TRACTOR TO SELL?

WRA will have an appraiser in the Center Saturday, June 6, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., under the canopy behind the Admin. Building to interview any evacuee who wishes to sell their tractors and farm implements which are not now in use. Machinery will be examined and purchased for use and not for resale and prices paid will be fair.

CHECKS TO BE CASHED

Center cashier will receive and cash any and all travel checks, money orders, city, county, and state checks, unemployment insurance checks, corporation checks in the store office from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Anyone desiring to obtain information regarding his unemployment compensation benefits should write to: U.S. Employment Service, 1330 J. St., Sacramento.

G I A

Gin Rummy and Bridge Club will hold its first meeting this Thurs. evening at the "Rec" Hall beginning 7 p.m.

BOTTLES BOTTLES

Let's all cooperate with the Center store and return all soda bottles. Take them to your nearest laundry where boxes are placed.

SECOND SING A HIT

Center's second "Singtime" attracted over 400 to Warehouse No. 22 last Saturday night, filling the hall to capacity.

Paul Takahashi, community song leader, declared that the cooperation from the audience has improved from the previous sing.

"These sings are planned for audience's enjoyment, not ours," said Takahashi, "we will not tolerate further rowdiness."

Mabel Sugiyama, at the piano, brightened the program with piano solos. She rendered "Star Dust" and "Chattanooga Choo Choo."

Sacramento High School's "Fight Dragon Fight" carried the evening's hilarity to a fervent pitch.

IT WAS STUFFY

Stanley Sato, son of Dr. T. Sato, collapsed at the church service Sunday and was immediately revived by Dr. M. Sato.

Necessity of remedying the present ventilation is apparent as the hall has a capacity for 350 and has only four windows.

SO SORRY

The mailmen, Yasuo Hon and Bugs Hirose were inadvertently left out of list of the mail carriers in our previous issue. So sorry boys.

KEEP 'EM FLYING

APPRECIATION

Mr. S. Yamamoto and family extends appro. for sympathies accorded them in the recent passing of Mrs. M. Yamamoto.

SCOOP

The first baby born within the actual limits of the Center, was delivered by Dr. Henry Sugiyama on Monday in Hospital No. 2.

Mrs. Kimiko Yomogida Blk. 2 - 386, the mother, asked to have her baby born in the Center. The eight pound baby girl, not as yet named, is Mrs. Yomogida's sixth.

Delivery was assisted by nurses, May Asai and Alice Oka.

Mother and the baby, and also the father, are doing nicely.

IN MEMORIAL

Memorial service for S. Yomogida will be held in Warehouse 22, Wednesday 7:30 p.m. with Rev. Sasaki. BUY WAR STAMPS



BATTER UP!

THE FANS make a ball game. In their sincere, and sometimes not so sincere, cheering and jeering come the inspiration for their home runs and sensational fielding plays. Of late, these pals and relatives of the performers have been slightly over-doing it. They even come on to the playing field--especially near the first base patch and the right field area. Hard hit grounders and pop-ups in that region are practically impossible to retrieve. An abundance of right field batters has cropped up in the last few games.

COOPERATION in this matter by the fans and the fanettes will be more than appreciated, I am sure. For more interesting and faster games, keep the diamonds clear.

STAR PERFORMER in the recent Amazon-Tangerine circus match was undoubtedly outfielder Dora Imagawa. Reliable sources inform your reporter that her "submarine" scoops of grounders and her "barrel roll" attempts at flyballs have no equal at present. Also, her "shut-eye" method of pocketing line drives seems to be effective. Chucker Fumiko Yabe and her 1-2-3 prancing delivery is second only to the illustrious Miss Imagawa's fancy fielding.

A HOME at last! Although only a shack between warehouses 23 and 24, we have a home. No longer is it a sheet without a shed. I have it officially from chief constructionist, Mr. Wilson that the crew, Barney Kubota, Joe Seto, Al Sato, Sab Okamoto and Cozy Sakumura, consumed two whole days of extremely difficult labor in putting it together. Thanks to Kenji Hosokawa, Monda, Jiro Kato and Yasuhiro for a swell roofing job. Carpenter Kitaura of the workshop was responsible for the furniture adorning our "press building."

THE HOSPITAL BUTCHERS, the darkest horse of the league, have ordered the best equipment of any team, it was discovered at the Rec Hall.

BRING BACK BOTTLES....

SPORTS

SOFTBALL TO START!

(Sacramento Assembly Center's twilight softball league will officially start next Monday, it was announced by Jimmy Hashimoto of the recreation dept. About thirty teams are lined up for the opening tilts, including six

UBANGIS UPSET

Behind the power drive of Jimmy Kiyama who blasted out two homers, the never-say-die Walerga Cellars nosed out the powerful Ubangis, by a score of 7-3 last Saturday at diamond No. 1.

Ubangis muffed their supreme chance in the fourth when, with the bags loaded, they popped out and hit into a double play, cinching the game for the Cellars. Cellars' sucker ball pitcher was credited with the win while versatile Hisashi Nagai was charged with the loss. Short score:

	R	H	E
Cellars	7	13	2
Ubangis	3	7	4

Messy

With both teams using two pitchers, the fazzle-dazzle baseball game between the two Mess teams ended last Sunday with Mess 3 victorious by a lopsided score of 20-8. Mess 2 pitcher Dan Aridas was relieved by Tom Mayahara due to an injury received in the fourth inning. For the first time, a girl was in the lineup on a boys' team. She was Sadako Inada who covered the hot spot behind third base. The winners pounded out 7 runs in the fifth, including 2 four-baggers by Nakahira and Higashino.

	R	H	E
Mess 3	20	27	7
Mess 2	8	14	9

READ THE WASP SPORT SHEET



DATE DANCE

"Couples Only" will be the theme of this Saturday's Date Dance. Absolutely no stags will be allowed on this and any subsequent date dances. These dances are for the benefit of those dance-lovers who think enough of dancing to bring their own dates. 9 to 11 are the hours and will be held in the Reception Hall.

Social Calendar

Thursday 6:30 to 8:30 Dance for 16 yrs. and under
 Thursday 8:30 to 9:30 Dancing classes for those (Both at Reception H.) 17 and over
 Friday 8:00 to 9:00 "Sunset Songfest" North end of Blk. 2 (site of Walerga Bowl)

BRING YOUR OWN CHAIRS

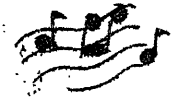
in the Junior division and a dozen each in the Senior and Industrial classes. An important Managers' meeting will take place this Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. in Warehouse 22. Teams will be limited to two representatives each. Official playing rules, choice of officials, and schedules will be under discussion at this time. Hashimoto warns that all teams not represented will have to abide by the established rulings of this council.

TANGERINES LOSE

The mighty Tangerines winning streak was snapped last Monday night when the Amazons lived up to their name and overpowered the losers 26-20. In the star role for the winners was Tajiko Sasaki who belted the home-plate for top batting honors. The lineup:

Tangerines	Amazons
Yabe	Inaba
Sugiyama	Maio
Hirai	Sasaki
Hosokawa	Imagawa
Masuda	Date
Ishikawa	Morimoto
Toizumi	Koikoan
Hirota	Shimamura

GIRLS PRACTICE The hardworking mess gals have begun earnest practice, it was disclosed by an anonymous letter. The purpose is "to compete with our fellow workers, the boys." Messes 1, 2 and 3 have already begun practice, and games will soon be in the offing.



YOUR COUNTRY AND MINE

We are in receipt of a letter from a lady employed at the University of California whom we befriended and learned to love for her kindness throughout our undergraduate years on the Berkeley campus.

We take undue liberty of publishing an excerpt of Mrs. Snook's letter with a hope that it will send a message to many embittered hearts.

"Dear George,

I was quite upset by your letter and can see your point of view. I know a good many Japanese people rather well, and I know how industrious and busy they have always been. I agree with you that it must be demoralizing to be shoved into inactivity.

"Something surely will be worked out, and my heart bleeds for the many loyal Japanese Americans like yourself. It is American like you and many others, George, with high ideals which will make this country great in the future.

"I pray every night that the war will end. I saw my husband go into the last World War and my son will have to go into this one. At least, George, you and your people are safe, while so many of us are going to have the constant fear of losing the ones we so love.

"My very best to you and don't lose heart. Try not to be bitter because our country needs your cooperation -- just as it needs my only son."

Sincerely,
Mrs. Ruth Snook

EDITOR'S BOX

Dear Editor:

These boys who are so lazy to comb their hair they crop their hair so bald that the "green part" show!

But--short hairs are cute.

"Just a girl"

Dear Editor:

Why don't these hefty high school boys ever grow up?

They're always riding on the children's seesaw and swing at the Oak Grove, thus depriving the little ones from having any fun.

School teacher

Dear Editor:

I'm plenty d-m gripped! My girl friend is too timing me.

"Jealous"

You too?--Editor.

Dear Editor:

Why isn't the canteen open on Sundays? We mess workers are on duty all day and when we are through, the store is closed.

M.Y.S.

Even Mr. Rodgers, the Canteen manager, cannot work seven days a week. How about stocking up on Saturday?---

Editor

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THE NEWSPAPER WITH A STING

For one reason or another, gentlemen of the Fourth Estate at Manzanar, Arcadia, Tanforan, and other Shangri-Las continue to ignore the existence of our magnificent publication, The Wasp.

Not that we claim our tabloid to be the "most unique," "most best," or "bestest yet," but we feel reasonably sure that our erstwhile colleagues are beginning to feel the "sting" of growing competition.

IT'S THE LITTLE THINGS....

It's been nearly a month since our belated arrival to the Center. Already the childish novelty of picnic atmosphere is beginning to wear off. Friends died, babies born, and couples contemplate marriage.

Life goes on and community is slowly taking up an aspect of a miniature world.

Money has little value now. Consequently, more and more people are thinking in terms of community welfare rather than of selfish pursuit of currency.

The little things of life: bit of kindness and thoughtfulness here and there, makes life wholesome and rich if otherwise barren.

At Mr. Oda's memorial service, an aged woman quietly entered the hall and asked the usher if they will accept her purple wild flowers planted in an old tin can.

The usher took the plants in his hand, trying to hold back the emotion surging within him.

CAMPANILE CHIMES.....

Sometimes in the moment of weakness, the haunting melodies of the Campanile on the Berkeley campus re-echoes in our minds. But to hear the spirited Cal songs whipped up by Sho Sato ex-'44, Min Iwasaki '41, Teru Hayashi '42 in Mess 8 kitchen, lifts our heavy hearts.

- J.N.