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FUTURE DRAFT DEPENDENT ON VOLUNTEER PROGRAM SUCCESS

"The War Department has advised that the statement in its official message regarding the probability of a future draft was based upon the assumption that the volunteer program would be successful," Project Director Harry L. Stafford stated Friday.

He continued:

"If the volunteer program is unsuccessful, there will be no draft, and whether the Japanese-Americans will be given another opportunity is doubtful.

"From this it becomes apparent that the future of the people of Japanese ancestry in the United States ties in very closely with the volunteer program.

"If this part of the over-all program for returning the residents of this center to normal life fails, then it can be assumed that other parts of the program will also fail."

JEROME SESSION TO MOOT RATION PROBLEMS HERE

The opening of an office to take care of local rationing problems brought into focus by the government's nation-wide move to ration shoes hinges upon the outcome of a meeting of the Jerome County Rationing Board on Monday, it was announced yesterday by Sr. Administrative Officer Russell Sprinkel.

Plans for the setting up of a rationing board here will be broached by local representatives attending the meeting, Srpinkel revealed.

Questions about the obtaining of Ration Book No. 2, which is required for the purchase of rationed footwear, and about the possibility of residents purchasing shoes through mail orders will be cleared up at the session, Sprinkel said.

JANUARY PAYCHECKS DUE HERE NEXT WEEK—HURST

January payrolls having been sent in to the Portland disbursement office, paychecks should be here between the 15th and the 20th of this month, Clarence H. Hurst, fiscal accountant, announced today.

4,569 project workers will be paid $67,207.51 following the arrival of the checks.

IT'S MAKE OR BREAK

AN EDITORIAL

Commenting editorially on the War Department announcement that nisei volunteers will be accepted for active military service, we said in our Feb. 3rd issue: "What we face is the acid test. If we flunk it, we damn ourselves and our posterity."

Project Director Stafford's statement in today's IRRIGATOR, based as it is upon the latest clarifying declarations from the War Department, unmistakably underlines the thesis that the entire future of the Japanese in the United States rests with the success or failure of the volunteer program. The alternatives before us are to speed the alleviation of the situation in which 100,000 of America's Japanese are now stagnating, or to aggravate it and face rougher going along the road ahead.

Eligible nisei who have been sitting back in the misleading hope that they will be drafted later, and that they therefore need not step forth now, can no longer "leave it up to the other guys." It is now clear that the War Department's program does not provide a fence which can be straddled conveniently by those who are unwilling to discard their complacency. There can be no more holding back with "yes, but" rationalizations.

And if it should be charged that we are being forced to volunteer, let it be remembered first that the compulsion arises only from our own dilemma. Our dilemma, it is true, may not be of our making, but that does not alter the fact that we are in it and cannot afford to refuse or make ill use of the opportunity that is now ours to grasp. And let it be remembered, secondly, that it is "doubtful" that we will be given another chance to show, with dramatic effectiveness, the solid American stuff which we claim we are made of.

The hard, unrelenting fact is that the fix we are in—and the extent and importance of all that is at stake—does not permit petty quibbling and squirting of hyper-sensitive criticism at the one great chance we have. For the burden we bear is that we are to decide in no small measure, whether the generations to follow us will walk the main streets of America as equal citizens, or seek the side-streets as despised pariahs.—D.D.M.

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EDITORIAL:

Fluff and Flutter

Technics and the temporal cool off in the wings this time. Politics and the "nisei problem" rest in the editorial pigeonhole while time is taken out to salute the cause of hearts and flowers and fluff and flutter.

We plead ignorance to the origins and history of Valentine Day. We don't think anybody especially cares when, where and why the fourteenth day in the month of February was set aside for a general effusion of personal affections and sentiment. It doesn't matter.

What matters is that in the midst of universal travail and anguish we -- boy and girl, man and wife, son and mother -- can find the time and occasion to communicate through a sprig of flowers, a box of candy or a simple card something we ordinarily dismiss as mush.

On Valentine Day, if not other days, mush makes the world go 'round. And if a little of the sores besetting the race is bathed in the balm of Valentine, the day deserves its special spot on the calendar.

FINAL ARMY TALKS COMBINED

The schedule of public meetings to discuss the voluntary Army induction program was changed to combine the last four meetings.

Blks. 34, 35, 36, 37, and 38 were scheduled to meet next Monday night and Blks. 39, 40, 41, 42, and 44 were to meet Tuesday night. These blocks held a joint meeting Friday night in D.H. 37.

Lt. Stanley D. Arnold and other members of the groups from the War Department will be in the center for at least two more weeks and are anxious to confer with small groups and individuals about the voluntary Army induction program.

The Army team's headquarters are in the outside employment building in the administration area.

5,000 IN POSTON, GILA ELIGIBLE FOR ARMY

PHOENIX, Ariz.-----Major General A.M. Tuthill, state selective service director, stated here last week that he believed about 5000 would be eligible to volunteer for combat duty from the Poston and Gila River relocation centers.

NISEI GIRL BEATEN IN MID-WEST TOWN

DES MOINES, Ia.---Police here are looking for a "shabbily-dressed" man who invaded a Des Moines home and beat a 19-year old Japanese girl domestic into unconsciousness last Saturday night.

Fumi Mae Miyuki told police that when she answered the doorbell, the man asked her if she were Japanese. Upon answering in the affirmative, she was forced into the kitchen where he beat her.

PLAN GLEE CLUB

All those interested in joining a community wide glee club are asked to be at Rec. 22 Monday, February 15 at 8:30 p.m. The club will meet immediately after the Mass Choir rehearsal.

NISEI PLACED IN GOV'T. JOBS, WRA ANNOUNCES

CHICAGO--War relocation authority officials in Chicago, engaged in finding jobs for Japanese-Americans released from relocation centers, have reported that a few have been placed in government offices as clerks and that some technically trained evacuees have been placed in industry.

The WRA has opened a Chicago job placement office through which it utilizes the United States employment service in finding work for the evacuees from the West Coast. Approximately a dozen young Japanese, including several young women, have been interviewed. More will arrive from relocation centers this week.

More than 5,000 Japanese, many well educated and American citizens, are expected to be returned to useful work in midwestern communities, the WRA said.

SUGAR CO. REP. LEAVES TODAY; WILL RETURN

B.O. McCollough, representative of Amalgamated Sugar Company, who has been here for about a week for the purpose of informing Hunt residents of farm labor prospects for spring, summer and fall, was to have left today for the Manzanar center.

However, he is due to return here shortly to resume his work. While here, he had his quarters at the outside employment office.

Shortwave Radios Still Banned, Internal Security Warns Residents

Rumors circulating that the ban on short wave radios has been withdrawn are in error, the Internal Security division announced this week.

In a memorandum the Internal Security division stated:

"A rumor has recently been circulated on the project that the ban on short wave radios has been withdrawn. This is an error. Short wave radios are still contraband under government regulation, and this is to reiterate our previously published instruction to report any such still on the project."

Claimants On Sumitomo Deposits To Be Paid On Authorization

Payments to depositors of the Sumitomo Bank who have filed claims will be made when proper authorization has been received, Joe S. Utterback, agent and liquidator, informed Project Attorney Ralph J. Moore last week.

Utterback wrote:

"We have your letter of February 3, 1943, in which you request information as to when payment will be made to the depositors of the Sumitomo Bank of Seattle who have filed claims.

"Please be advised that we are not in a position to give you this information for the reason that we do not know when a dividend will be ordered. However, you may rest secure depositors that if their claims are proven against the bank they will be promptly notified when we are authorized to make payment of a dividend.

LEAVES GRANTED MORE COLONISTS

Mariko Ozaki left Thursday for a WRA position in Washington, D.C., on an indefinite leave, the Leaves Section reported this week.

Others granted leaves this week are Jimmie Toruo Kondo to Jerome, Kazuo Ikeda to Salt Lake City, Sahei Hasegawa to Spokane, Mrs. Mary Kozu to Minneapolis, Masa Yamamura to Boise, Mary Kiyo Inouye, to Northbrook, Ill., Tommy Tsugio Mukai to Stevensville, Mont., Ayako Horike to Salt Lake City, Reiko Taguchi to Rochester, Minn., Toyoko Hasegawa to Chinook, Mont., Mrs. Shigeno Robino and children, Kazue and Mazino, to Spokane, Aiko Nose to Jerome, Yoshiko Ogata to Twin Falls, Jean Hisako Ko to Boise, Kazuko Matsumoto to Chicago, and Lillyan Inana to Boulder, Colo.

The single leave clearance this week is for Robin Suzy Takemoto.

RECORD Concert

A Twilight Record Concert of Scandinavian numbers will be presented Sunday, February 14, in D.H. 40 at 8:15 p.m. The program for the evening consists of:

I. Finlandia by Sibelues II, Swan of Tuoela by Sibelues. III. Piano concerto in A Minor by Grieg IV. Preludium of Jarnefelt. V. Beautiful Savior by Christensen.

STUDENT RELOCATION COUNCIL REVEALS FOUR MORE RELEASES

Four additional residents have been granted release on student relocation this week.

The latest list includes the following:

Feb. 10

Hiram Hachiya---College of Idaho, Caldwell, Idaho.

Feb. 13

Albert Nakata----U. of Denver, Denver, Colorado.

Harold S. Tsuchiya----U. of Syracuse, Syracuse, N.Y.

John Edward Fujiwara--Gonzaga U., Spokane, Wash.

CO-OP RECEIPTS TO BE EXCHANGED NOW

All those still holding cash register receipts for canteen purchases prior to November 1, 1942, and also those receipts given out last week and this week, are urged to exchange them for green stamps before March 1, at the cashier's window, 23-10-F, Reno Yoshimura, co-op assistant manager, said this week.

"Because your patronage refund will be based on the number of green stamps held, it will be to your advantage to make the exchange immediately," Yoshimura said.

Slips representing about $42,000 are still outstanding.

PIANO, VIOLIN LESSONS TO BE TAUGHT

Those interested in continuing piano and violin lessons are asked to sign up immediately with their respective section music leaders.

RULES FORBID TEACHING OF 'NIHONGO'

POSTON, Ariz.---Teaching of the Japanese language in relocation centers is specifically forbidden by WRA official instructions.

John Powell, local Director of Community Activities, in a memorandum to all adult education departments here stated that such language classes are forbidden in either public elementary and high schools or in adult educational groups.

Believing, however, that such a course "is desirable to be carried on under authoritative educational supervision," Powell stated that he has already "argued with the WRA" to change its rulings and optimistically notes that he will "re-open the subject with WRA on the basis of recent evidence of interest and need."

GEOGRAPHY CLASS ENROLLMENT NOW

Is it possible to raise tulips in Minnesota? How severe are windstorms in Kansas? Is Chicago noted for anything besides gangsters?

If you would like to have these and many other similar questions answered, Why don't you enroll with the Adult Education Department in Rec. 23, for a class in Relocation Geography?

VISITORS

SERVICEMEN:

Pvt. Shigeru Kushi, Camp Hale, Colo., Pvt. Tsutomu Yano, Ft. Des Moines, Iowa, and Pvt. Richard Maeda, Ft. Thomas, Ky.

CIVILIANS:

Yae Shimizu, [illegible] Tajitsu, Boise, Ida., Shigeru Andow, Nyssa, Ore., Sam Iwata, Salt Lake City, Utah, Teru Kayahara, Matsue Nagaoka, Mrs. Ray Shigenobu, Taro Takizaki, Y. Yamaura, and Henry Yorozu, Spokane, Wash., Takashi Kora and Ben Nukida, Caldwell, Ida., and Toshi Tsukamoto, Ogden, Utah.

1661 ELIGIBLE TO VOLUNTEER

State selective service headquarters this week disclosed that there are 1661 male residents here who are between the ages of 17 and 37 and therefore eligible to volunteer for service in the proposed special combat unit of Japanese American citizens.

About 500 of the eligible men are expected to volunteer, according to Major William S. Perry of the selective service office. If accepted by authorities in Washington, they will be inducted at the Jerome army station.

REVOKING OF CITIZENSHIP RIGHTS ASKED

HOOD RIVER, Oreg.----Two resolutions directed against Japanese and Japanese-Americans have been adopted by the Hood Lions Club.

The first of the two resolutions called for the revoking of the citizenship rights of American-born Japanese and their deportation to Japan after the war.

The second asked for the detention for the duration of all citizens and aliens of Japanese ancestry in their present camps.

LOST: FOX TERRIER

Lost--old Fox Terrier dog, white with black spots. Part of the left ear has been bitten off. Return to owner----32-1-E.

MASS CHOIR SINGS BEFORE HUGE CROWD AT TWIN FALLS

Presented by prominent organizations of Twin Falls, the Minidoka Mass Choir sang before an audience of more than 1,000 which crowded the Twin Falls First Methodist Church last Tuesday evening.

Attired in black robes the choir of 89 voices gave three groups of selections, including negro spirituals and hymns. Mae Hara directed expertly with Miyo Hata as accompanist.

The concert featured the work of the group's three soloists. Pianist Sachiko Ochi Kodaira rendered Beethoven's "Thirty-Two Variations" and Liszt's "Etude." She has studied under Mme. Bertha Poncy Jacobson of the University of Washington, formerly of the Cornish School of Music, Seattle; John Blacknore of the Boston Conservatory of Music; Sigismond Stojowski of New York; and Marcel Maas of Brussel Conservatory, Belgium.

Teruko Akagi, a recent soloist with the University of Washington Symphony Orchestra, encored with "Swedish Lullaby" after her renditions of Wieniawski's "Romance" and Sarasate's "Zigeunerweisen." She is a former student of Viola Stevens Pardo of the Cornish School of Music, Lenore Ward Forbes of Cornish, Cyril Towbin formerly of New York, now in California, and Francis Armstrong of Seattle.

Yoshi Uchida, bass soloist and a former member of the Lincoln High School Chanters, Seattle, offered "The Living God," O'Hard, "Volga Boatman," and as an encore selection, "Old Man River."

Following the concert, a social was tendered the choir members and soloists at the First Presbyterian Church.

Sponsors of the performance were the Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce, Ministerial Association, Service Clubs, Inter-Church Youth Affiliation, and St. Edwards Roman Catholic Church.

JR. SAFETY PATROL PROUDLY DISPLAYS NEW EQUIPMENTS

Members of the Junior Safety Patrol in the Huntville and Stafford Elementary schools are proudly displaying their new equipments including white Sam browne belts and blue felt insignias this week, according to Tad Muraoka, supervisor of the Patrol.

The belts insignias were made by the community sewing project under the supervision of Mr. Yanagihara and the words "Minidoka Junior Safety Patrol" on the insignias were sewed entirely by hand. Raincapes with hoods have also been completed for use by the Patrol in the event of bad weather.

COMMUNITYSING

Sec. VI will hold a Community Sing Wednesday, February 17, in Rec. 34 at 7:30 p.m. with Harry Nakata and Minor Azuma as co-leaders and Miyo Hata as pianist. The general public is invited to enjoy an evening of fun and laughter.

SERVICEERS' SOCIAL

The Serviceers Club with May Toyota and Dorothy Suguro as co-chairmen are sponsoring a private party next Saturday, February 20, in D.H. 23 at 7:30 p.m. Soldiers who are in camp at that time are cordially invited to attend.

YWCA LEADER TO VISIT HUNT

Elizabeth McFarland, former foreign correspondent for the Foreign Division of the National YWCA and Continental Secretary to the South America chapter, will visit Hunt during the week of February 25 to March 2.

Stella Yorozu, representing the Hunt Y.W.C.A. attended the YWCA Seminar held at Denver, Colorado, from February 5 to 7. Attending the three day Seminar were other delegates from the different relocation centers.

ISE INUZUKA CHOSEN 'SWEETHEART OF MINIDOKA'

Minidoka, blow your horn!

Ise Inuzuka, Section V's pride and hope, literally charmed, walked, and talked herself into the "Sweetheart of Minidoka" title Wednesday night.

Nine exacting judges with all partiality in storage for the night put the seven sectional candidates through tests which according to the contestants amounted to trial by fire and ice.

The girls---the picture of personality bubbling, beauty exuding, poise poising---cuddid themselves. With charm, grace and smiles they were giving each other no quarters.

The judges engaged the girls conversationally, they drank tea and parried with their wits; they eyed their walking posture, heard their speaking voice, confessed later that they were as embarrassed as the contestants.

In spite of the knee-shaking stints the girls came out with sparkling eyes, staged a perfect play of refreshing sportsmanship.

"Sweetheart" Ise took the news sitting down.

"I'm really honored, I don't deserve it," she exclaimed.

The contest was close, all the girls having been exceptionally attractive, according to the judges. The runners-up, in alphabetical order, were Misao Hayashida (Sec. II), Amy Hidaka (Sec. IV), Chickie Ishihara (Sec. V), Mary Jane Kinoshita (Sec. III), Kiyoka Kumagai (Sec. I), and Mona Saito (Sec. VI.

OUR HEARTBEAT
5 FEET 3 OF ALLURE AND CHARM

"I'm really very, very honored," Ise Inuzuka, Minidoka's first "sweetheart, said when the judges after demanding tests bestowed her the title.

Sitting in a lounge seat, walking the length of the floor, adding her bit to the conversation, she enraptured the judges, who announced the decision, beaming and smiling.

Ise is a bundle of smooth behavior from Portland, Oregon. There is 5 feet 3 inches of her distinct charm and allure, a standing proof that all

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Meet and Hear Your 'Sweetheart' At Sectional Dances Tonight

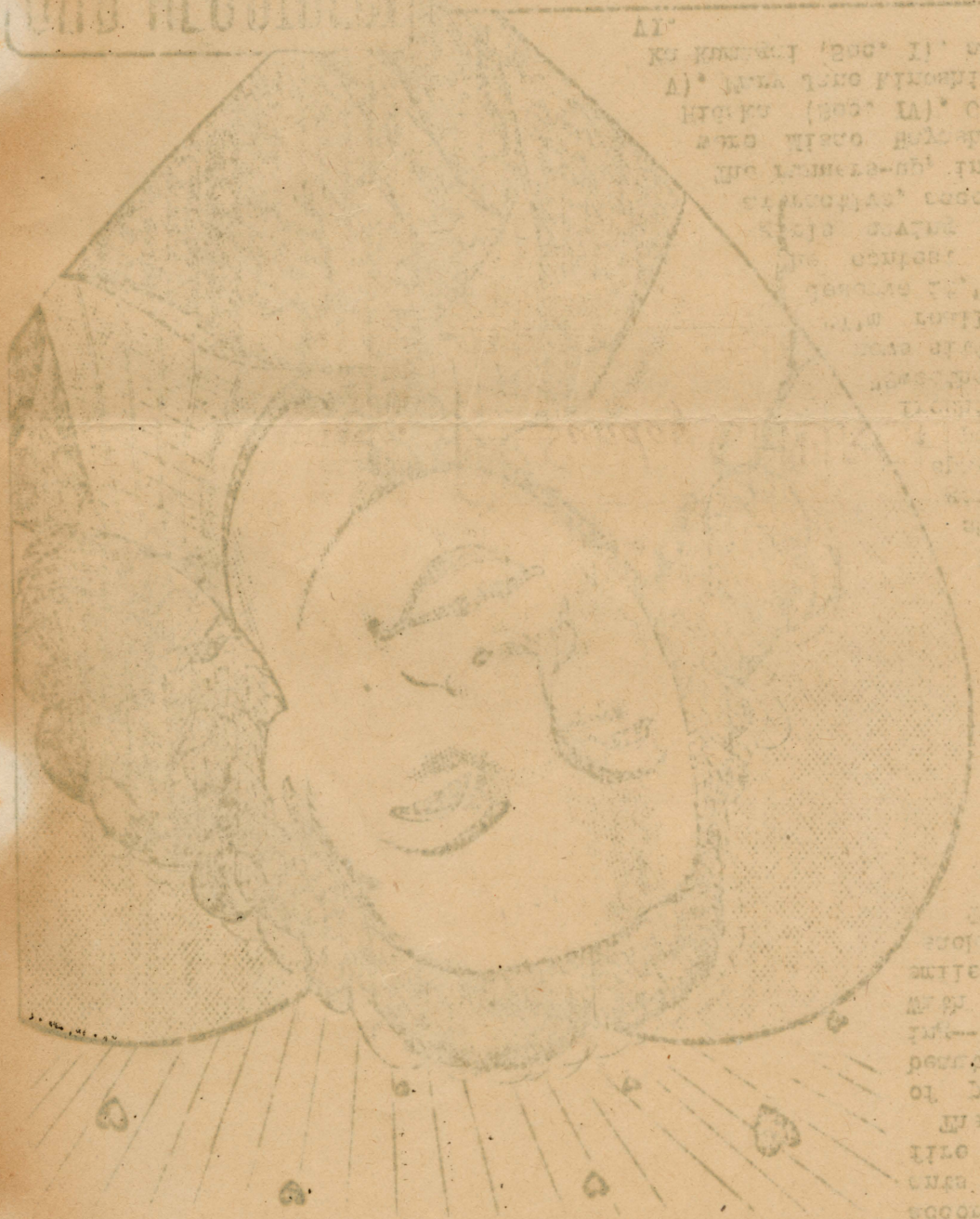
Due to last minute changes, the timetable visit schedule for "Sweetheart of Minidoka" Ise Inuzuka and her entourage has been slightly revised. The royal court will pay a brief visit to each of the five sectional Valentine dances. Sweetheart Ise Inuzuka will say a few words to her public at each of the dances tonight.

The revised schedule reads as follows:

8:30 p.m.---Sec. I D. H. 4
8:45 p.m.---Sec. III D. H.17
9:00 p.m.---Sec, IV D. H.22
9:15 p.m.-Sec. VI D. H.38
9:30 p.m.-Sec. VII D. H.39

Fred Kohara with a mobile microphone will accompany the royal court on its tour of Valentine dances as technician. All private dances have been excluded from the itinerary of the royal court. All sectional shindigs are strictly invitational. Invitations for the sectional dances may be obtained from the individual block chairmen of blocks within the section.

CHOSEN, SWEETHEART OF WINIDOKA



KIDO VICTIM OF ATTACK AT POSTON CENTER

POSTON, Ariz.---Breaking into the barrack apartment of Saburo Kido, national president of the Japanese-American Citizens League, a gang of eight evacuees attacked him early Sunday morning, Jan. 31.

Kido received bruises about the head, shoulder and arms, while Mrs. Kido, who came to the assistance of her husband, was not injured.

The eight members of the gang, ranging in age from 18 to 37, have been arrested and were extradited to Yuma county law enforcement officials for trial in the Superior Court of the state Arizona.

OUR VALENTINE: A PORTRAIT

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isn't lost even in these sugar ration days.

She doesn't stay at home and look into the mirror either. She is athletic, wielding a racket in both tennis and badminton being her top skill. Yes, she knits, crochets, and has time to serve as Girl Reserves adviser. She is also a member of the "Y" board.

Her high school is Franklin, her "finishing" school the University of Oregon, where she was graduated.

As a staunch Ise fan said, casting his head skyward to indicate her limitless qualities, "She's a good sport. She would go to any length to do things with you as long as it's good clean fun. She'd get down on the floor and push peanuts with her nose if she had to!"

Oh yes! Ise works at the Social Services offices.

A last minute sectional invitational "Sweetheart" dance has been scheduled for D.H. 29, Saturday evening at 8 o'clock. Sweetheart Ise and her entourage will visit this shindig at 9:45 p.m. Ise will remain at this dance until its conclusion.

MASAOKA, JACL SECRETARY VOLUNTEERS FOR SERVICE

"I have a stake in America. I believe that it is worth fighting for. As an American, as the national secretary and field executive of the JACL, I volunteered because I sincerely feel that I could do no less."

This is the gist of a lengthy article written by Mike Masaoka for a recent issue of the "Pacific Citizen" giving his reasons why he volunteered for service in the special combat unit of Japanese Americans.

"I volunteered because I want to insure our future in this country...because I want to see our people who are in relocation centers released and resettled in normal communities," Masaoka writes.

BOISE--Laura Nakamura left for Rochester, Minn., to start nurse's training at St. Mary's Hospital.

PREPSTERS PICK HUNT HI-SCHOOL AS OFFICIAL NAME

Hunt High School has been officially selected as the name for the project high school according to the final results of a recently conducted school-wide contest. "Wolverines" and navy blue and gold have been selected as the school emblem and colors respectively.

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS:

NAKASHIMA--girl, Miniko, to Mr. and Mrs. Shikiichi Nakashima, 42-1-C, Feb. 7.

NOMURA--boy, Robin David, to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nomura, 4-12-C, Feb. 11.

MIYAHARA--boy to Mr. and Mrs. Satoshi Miyahara, 5-1-A, Feb. 11.

Sunday CHURCH Services

UNITED BUDDHIST CHURCH

Young People's Devotional
- Seniors.....Rec. 36----------10-11 p.m.
- Juniors.....Rec. 28----------9:30-10:30 p.m.

Sunday Schools: Rec. 36.....11-12 m.
- Rec. 4.....10 a.m.
- Rec. 28.....10:30-11:30 a.m.

Parinirvana Services
- Joint: Adults and Y.P.----Rec. 36...7-8:30 p.m.
- Party in honor of the Rev. Sugimoto.....D.H. 34 8:30-9:30 p.m.

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sunday - Holy Name Society
- Mass - Rec. 22 - 8:00 a.m.
- Holy Name meeting - 1:00 p.m.

Monday - Genkokai - Block 12 - 3:00 p.m.
- Vincentians - 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday- Legion of Mary - 7:00 p.m.

FEDERATED CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Church School
- Classes for all ages in each section
- Youth Study Groups - 9:30 a.m.
  - High School D.H. 12 and Rec. 34
  - College Age Rec. 8 and 32-3-B

Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
- Rec. 8 Rev. F. Hayashi "Spiritual Security"
- Rec. 34 Rev. E.W. Thompson

Evening Fellowship Groups 7 p.m.
- Rec. 8 Rev. E.W. Thompson
- D.H. 23 Discussion on "What is Religion? " led by Tsutomu Fukuyama
- Rec. 34 High School Fellowship Speaker : Rev. H. Hopp, Lutheran Church, Twin Falls

Issei Services See D.H. notices

36 FAMILIES MAY MOVE IN NEXT WEEK

Thirty-six families, formerly of Bainbridge Island, Wash., are tentatively expected to arrive here on a transfer from the Manzanar relocation center some time next week, according to the Housing Division.

Aside from the 177 people being transferred, there are 57 former residents of Bainbridge at Manzanar who have not signed requests for a transfer.

Following are the names of the family heads who have signed up for the transfer:

Isasaburo Katayama, Otozo Terayama, Frank Kitamoto, Shigeo Furuta, Otokichi Nagatani, Tokuzo Okazaki, Miki Arata, Fusakichi Chihara, Taka Amatatsu, Miyeko Nishi, Toshio Terashita, Ichiro Hayashida, Senokichi Sakai, Otohiko Koura, Kamekuma Yamashita, Yosuke Moji, Seijiro Nakamura, Sukejo Takayoshi, Seno Kino, Moto Yamashita, Kichijiro Koba, Kamikichi Tonooka, Yasuji Suyematsu, Gyozo Otaki, Reverend K. Hirakawa, Kaiichi Kojima, Tsukie Taniguchi, Tadashi Sakuma, Kikuno Mikami, Takuji Yamashita, Yonezo Nakao, Saburo Hayashida, Hayano Moritani, Kirohashi Nishimori, Kamitaro Oyama, George Masaki Nakatsuka, Helen Sumiko Nakayama, Tom Hirabayashi, Mr. Sano.

YAMADA LEAVES TO TEACH AT BOULDER SCHOOL

Hiroshi Yamada left Hunt yesterday for a Japanese language instructor's position at the Naval Intelligence School at Boulder, Colo. He was the local Jr. Placement Officer.

The position vacated by Yamada will be temporarily filled by K. Kanno, it was announced.

Yamada, who attended the University of Washington, came here from the Puyallup Assembly Center. His family remains here for the present.

NISEI LIVING OUTSIDE WRA CENTERS MAY VOLUNTEER

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (Special)--American citizens of Japanese ancestry who are between the ages of 18 and 38 and who live outside WRA centers may volunteer for active service in the United States Army by applying at the nearest local draft board, according to instructions issued by national headquarters of the selective service system and mailed to draft boards throughout the country.

The instructions make reference to the announcement here last week that a combat team composed entirely of United States citizens of Japanese extraction or parentage is to be formed for active service in a theatre of war. Volunteers for this team, it is announced, must have been born in the United States or its Territories and be able to speak English.

A special form entitled "Statement of United States Citizen of Japanese Ancestry," (Form 304A), will be used by local draft boards in accepting applications from those who wish to volunteer for the special combat team. This form will also be used by the Army representatives who are receiving such applications at the ten relocation centers.

REPORTS OFFICER HERE FROM WASH.

Oscar J. Buttedahl, who is with the WRA reports office in Washington, D.C., arrived in Hunt yesterday afternoon to confer with Project Director Harry L. Stafford and Project Reports Officer John Bigelow on public relations problems.

After staying here a few days, he will leave for the Heart Mountain project on his way back to Washington. Prior to his coming here, he visited the Granada and Topaz centers.

STUDENT COUNCIL OFFICE IN FRISCO CLOSING TODAY

With the western office of the National Student Relocation Council in San Francisco due to close today, the work of student relocation will be directed henceforth from Philadelphia, Pa., according to word received here from Thomas R. Bodine, West Coast Director.

The Philadelphia office has been in existence for some time, but students have not been familiar with it since all records had been kept in San Francisco. The new address will be 1201 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Addressing a letter to "fellow workers in student relocation," Bodine wrote in part:

"The eastern office will not be ready to answer your personal mail before March 1 at the earliest since all the records and some of the staff have to cross the country. We'll be glad to have you write us there and bring us up to date on your plans and problems and finance."

SPECIAL BUDDHIST RITES SCHEDULED

The anniversary day of the Great Decease of Buddha will be observed by the United Buddhist Church on Feb. 14, at Rec. 36 from 7 to 8:30 p.m., and on the 15th at D. H. 8, from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

As it is an important event, all Buddhists, both young and old, are expected to attend. The service will be conducted in both English and Japanese.

GIRL RESERVE TOLO, FEBRUARY TWENTIETH

Men! the treat of the year is coming up. The much-talked-of Girl Reserve Tolo has been rescheduled for Saturday, February 20, in D.H. 22, starting at 7:30 p.m. Shine up your dancing slippers, men.

FLUSH TOILETS

The long-awaited flush toilets are now in operation in every block within the project.