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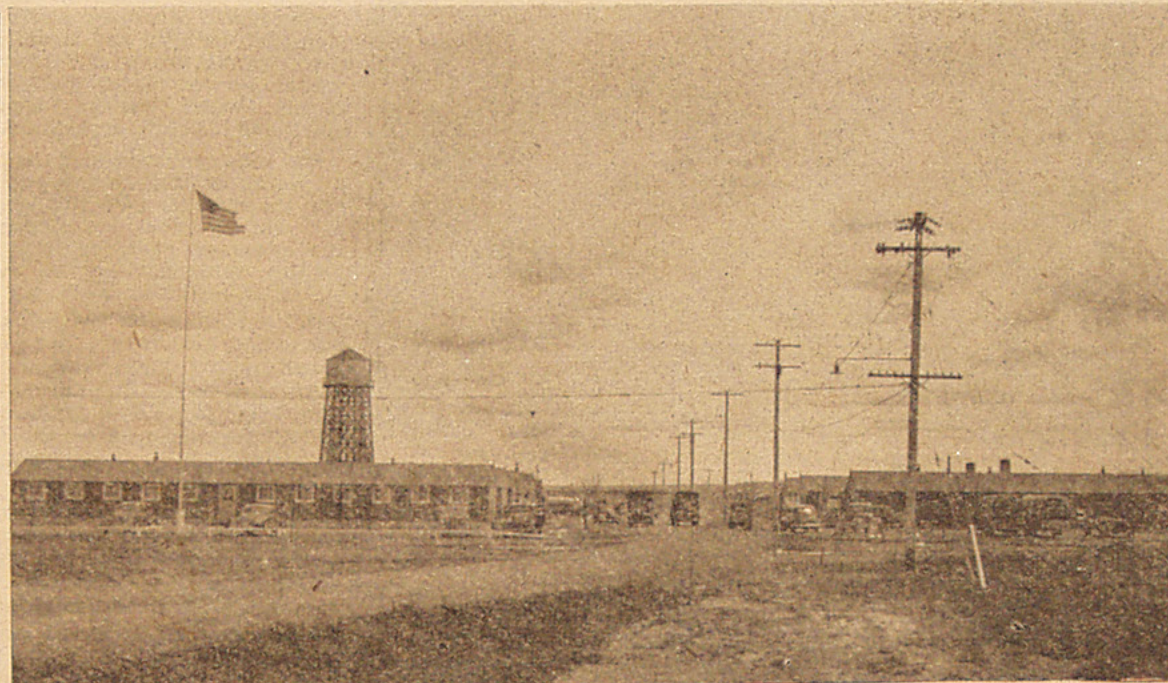
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1943

GOOD-BYE TULE-BOUND, HELLO NEWCOMERS

A Message to the New Residents

Minidoka welcomes the new residents from Tule Lake. To the limit of our space we hope that full opportunity will be had to reunite families in as many cases as possible. To the newcomers we extend the best project hospitality at our command and trust that the move on the part of all will be pleasant. We are proud of the "Spirit of Minidoka" and invite the new residents to contribute to our record of achievement through cooperation and mutual understanding.

H. L. STAFFORD,
Project Director.



The entranceway to the Minidoka Project through the main gate leads to the administration buildings.

Hunt, the home of families from Seattle, Portland and their outlying districts, the home of some 7,000 extends its hand in welcome to you Tuleans, new neighbors and friends.

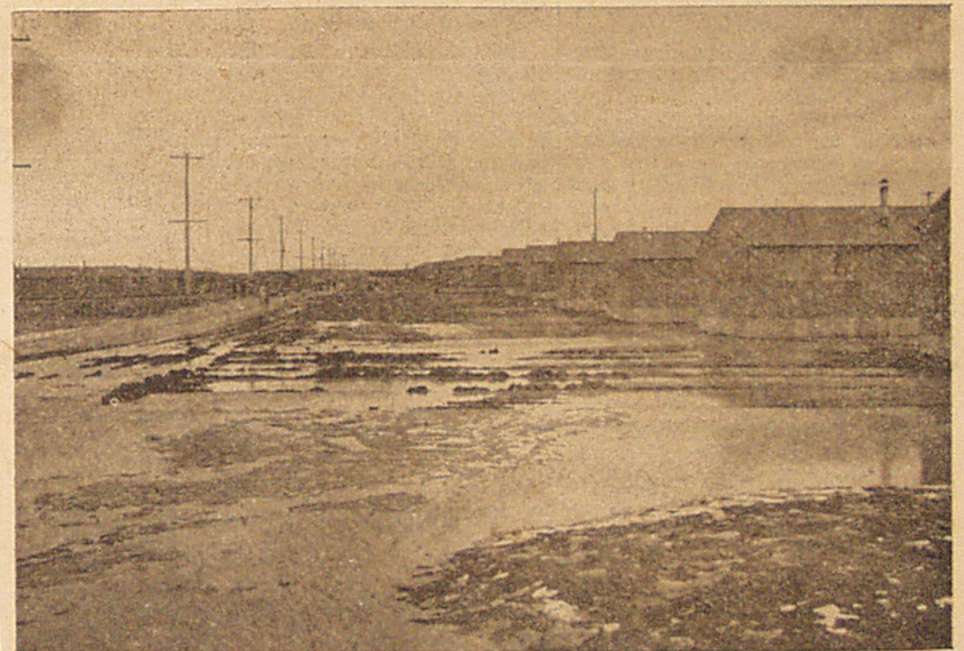
The community of Hunt, named after Wilson Price Hunt, early Snake River explorer, reached its first birthday last month. A year of transformation through dusty summer, frigid and muddy winter, and new-born spring has made the nucleus of a project covering some 68,000 acres of sage-land in eastern Jerome county, the community which you are now seeing for the first time. A war-born community, a community which these and the following pages may help you to know more about.

Temporary in nature, temporary in structure, Hunt offers boosting hands to those whose path leads out the gate into the normal, stable communities of the world outside.

The people of this center are glad to see you—many of you old friends and former neighbors—and to you newcomers, the heartiest and most hospitable welcome is wished your way.



The project experienced a mild winter in '42 as the temperature dropped to only 12 degrees below zero.



Repeated thawings and rain produced the famed "jumbo mud" of Hunt when walks, green grass, and gardens were unknown.

there will be days . . .

There will be days—when winds will sob
Through dead and shell-like Hunt,
and rob
The virgin sapling of its mob
Of Autumn-splattered leaves.
Supreme once more will reign the light
Of hoary stars within the night—
As lonely shutter creaks its plight
And saddened story weaves . . .
Once long ago, where sagebrush foamed,
Where naught but Nature's minions roamed—
The sound of saw and hammer homed
The desert-foam to sever.
And soon they came, with rope-choked bags.
They came as dully-numbered tags.
A people lost on warfare's crags—
And wandering eastward ever . . .

They saw the flatness, dryness, heat.
They cowered 'neath the lava sheet,
And mother wept on baggage seat
Within the barren room.
For these were born of ocean spray,
And towering pines, and fertile way,
And hills with dancing echoes gay—
The flow'rs in festive bloom.
There, now, within the city's murk,
The whisp'ring ghosts of yester lurk
Of days of tears, of play, of work,
Of love's defiant stand.
The dinner gong droops sad in rust—
No more its voice to distance thrust
For meal and meet, with ringing gust—
It lacks the human hand.

In sad decay, the gardens lie—
Their prisoner, dust, too soon to fly.
The saplings' tremblings soft decry
The ravage, of the skies.
By shadowed school, coyotes pad—
Here once a book ruled o'er a lad
And lass in brightly-colored plaid.
And joy was on the rise.
The whack of bat, the swish of net,
The splash of swimming bodies wet,
The clatter of production set.
All these are muted now.
And, once, on love beamed moon of old—
The gleed that clung to ashes cold.
And hearts were met to sweet unfold
Youth's all-eternal vow.
And there was dust and muddy snow—
And gently sighing rain to know—
And nights when insects brought
their woe

And died against the flame.
And there were those who asked
for gun.
And, clad in khaki, joined the run,
Thrust out to fight till right was won—
Till freedom shone in name . . .
There will be days—when winds will sob
Through dead and shell-like Hunt,
and rob
The virgin sapling of its mob
Of Autumn-splattered leaves.
Supreme, once more, will reign the light
Of hoary stars within the night—
As lonely shutter creaks its plight
And saddened story weaves . . .
Look, stars, upon the battleplace
Of mind 'gainst self, of will and face!

Where now remains no vis'ble trace,
And all is still and steep!
Look long upon the birthplace,
then,
Of life from life, of newborn men!
Look long on Scene within your ken!
You sent'nels of the deep!
'Twas here a people rose as one!
'Twas here that, stunned by crashing sun
And groping through the jagged dun,
They rose 'gainst Destiny's jeers!
A people rose, their faith unlame
In Decency and Right's proclaim!
Their blood with Freedom's Stars
afame
And bright with courage's tears!
—Yukio Ozaki.

Hunt Agricultural Program Sees Productive Year

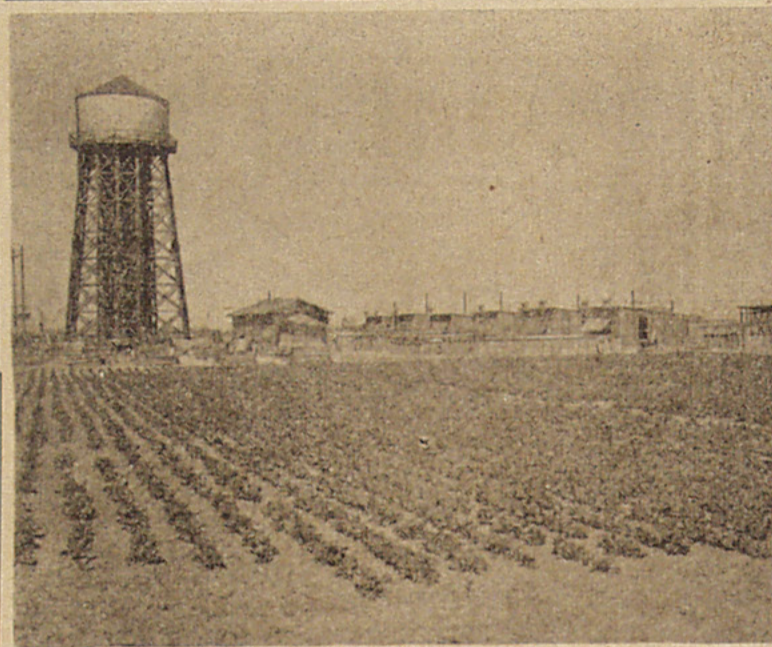
The project farm on March 1, 1943, consisted of 50 square miles of raw sagebrush land and seven miles of temporary irrigation lateral to bring water from the Milner-Gooding Canal which forms the eastern boundary of the project. During the months of April, May, and June, approximately 250 acres of good farm land were cleared, irrigated, and put into garden crops such as corn, lettuce, peas, celery, onions, carrots and many other foods.

R. S. Davidson was then head of the agriculture department but after he was appointed assistant project director in charge of operations, he was replaced by William E. Rawlings, who transferred from the Salt Lake relocation office where he was assistant relocation supervisor.

The hog farm has been started to utilize garbage from the project with 357 pigs now being fed and 48 sows and gilts to farrow this fall. The project has approximately six tons of garbage daily going to the hog farm. As soon as facilities such as housing and pens are made available, the number of hogs can be increased to 2400 heads a year.

The poultry farm has been started to furnish eggs and poultry meat for the project with 6878 chickens now on hand to provide 2000 laying hens and 4800 meat birds this winter. Plans are underway to

expand the poultry farm to 7000 laying hens and 1400 meat birds a year. 1200 capons are now being fattened for Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners.



Where once upon a time wilderness reigned supreme.

Personnel Division Maintains Records

Hunt's Personnel Division headed by Fred W. Minnesang, employs all appointed employees and maintains their personal records, including retirement, bonds and tax deductions. It also prepares WRA staff payrolls, assigns dormitories to single employees, prepares travel authorization and vouchers for appointed employees, and is in charge of the office supply warehouse. Interviewing and recruiting prospective employees and referring them to the department in which they will be employed is also the duty of the Personnel division.

Up to date there are 156 on the appointed personnel and out of this group, 21 have been with the project since last August.

Public Works Division Supervises Maintenance, Construction

The Public Works Division, under the supervision of Dan Sheehan, sr. engineer; Glen R. Green, superintendent of construction and

maintenance; Frank Beattie, assistant construction superintendent; Floyd A. Campbell, sr. foreman plumber; William Maxey, irrigation engineer; Floyd Harvey, chief construction foreman, and H. Bayless, sr. construction superintendent, carries on 95 percent of the labor service for the project and the military police area.

The Public Works Division employs approximately 500 people. The services include maintenance and small construction by the following units: carpentry, electrical, plumbing, building and steam service, highway, ground maintenance, janitor service, boiler and steam service, water, sewage disposal plant, and the stove department.

The constructions which the public works division have completed are: the entrance gate guard house and waiting room, remodeling of the evacuees' barracks, hog and poultry units, garbage can wash stand, construction work for the tofu plant, and the irrigation by pump and gravitation for each block.

The dehydration plant in the hospital area, to be used for canning and dehydrating food for the coming winter, will be completed in the near future.

The staff housing, located in the administration area, the root cellar in the warehouse area, and the remodeling of the elementary and high schools will be completed in the near future if materials and labor permit.

The canal lateral 21.5, the main canal into the project, will be completed shortly, to irrigate approximately 4500 acres of land in the surrounding area.

The remodeling of Warehouse 5 for a heavy equipment shop and the construction and repair of the road began recently. A bakery and church are to be constructed in the near future.

Highlights of the Fire Dept.

Supervised by Fire Protection Officer Ivan F. Burke, who succeeded William Yeager, and Associate Fire Protection Officer Gordon Nimmo, the fire department consists of 47 resident firemen and officers.

Two fire engines comprise the principal fire-fighting equipment with a set of range fire-fighting equipment also on hand.

The department has had to struggle with two problems concerning the organization itself. The first problem, now largely past, was the obtaining of necessary apparatus and equipment in the face of wartime priorities and endless red-tape. The second problem, still existent, is the turnover in personnel. Contrary to popular belief it is not possible to make anyone into a real fireman in one day. The turnover in personnel was due to relocation except for the volunteer enlistments into the army this spring. The department is proud of

its record of having a higher percentage of volunteers than any division in the project.

Aside from its regular duties, the fire department has been outstandingly successful in the creation of good will among the neighboring town towards the evacuees in the project. The fire department has sent out to every call, efficient men to fight range fires—men that are able to behave during tight spots. Regional Grazing Service Fire Supervisor F. H. Miller of Boise in a recent statement to the press praising the cooperation of various groups of fire-fighters, expressed his special recognition to the Japanese from Hunt.

To the Residents of Minidoka:

May I take this means of thanking you all for the patronage and cooperation offered the Sun Valley Stage Co. during our service of the the past year. I would like to wish each and everyone success and happiness — I know you will attain them with the courage and fortitude you have shown during the past year.

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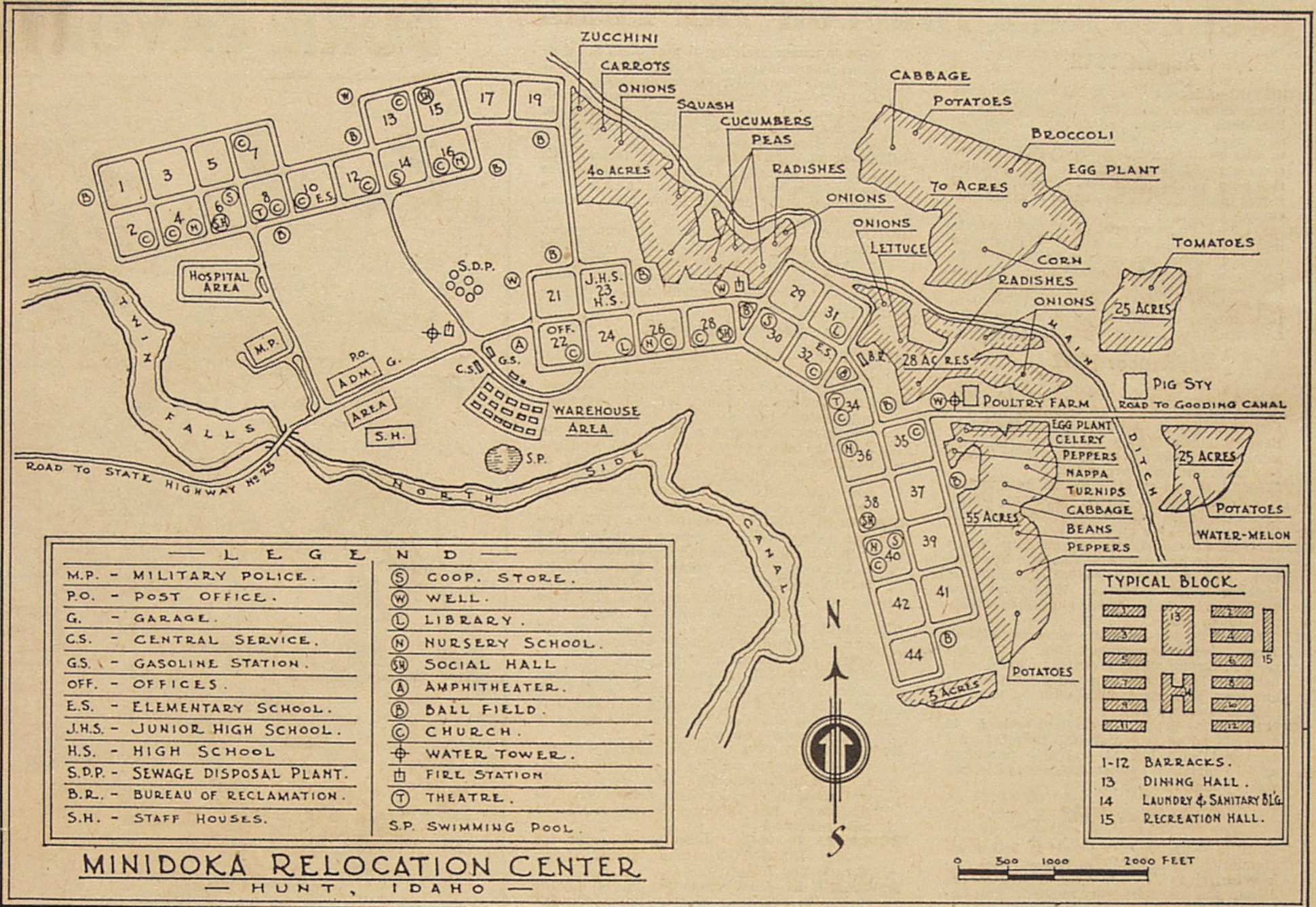


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Community Activities Division Accomplishes Much During Year

With its first headquarters housed in Rec. 21, the Community Activities staff of seven co-ordinators, each aided by six recreational leaders, headed by supervisor George Ishihara, set into motion the wheels of recreational endeavors for Hunt residents.

Included on the staff were five supervisors of specialized recreation, namely, music, handicrafts, clubs, sports, entertainment, who worked with the co-ordinators in promoting entertainments, dances, record concerts, folk-dancing, outdoor and indoor sports, handicraft classes, YWCA, Boy and Girl Scout organizations, and numerous other

recreational activities.

Highlights of the Community Activities' achievements were the concerts presented by the Mass Choir in nearby localities, the Thanksgiving and Christmas entertainments, sponsorship of the Kimberly High Band, presentation of the gala outdoor show, 'Fantasia', and the Fourth of July stage show.

With offices located at Blk. 22-3-EF, and headed by Walter E. Kipp, former Chicago Community Director, who took over the supervisory position during June, the present depleted staff is centering its efforts toward the publishing of a camp-wide yearbook, now under way.

PROJECT HOSPITAL PERFORMS MANY HUMANITARIAN DUTIES

Beginning with a medical personnel consisting of one appointed chief medical officer, seven evacuee physicians, five appointed registered nurses, six evacuee registered nurses, and three student nurses, the project hospital was opened on August 17, 1942.

Of the six wards, Ward 8 was the first one to be opened, Ward 10 second, and with the increase in the number of patients, other wards were opened with Ward 14 being the last to be opened. Wards are: Ward 6, Obstetrics; Ward 8, Pediatrics; Ward 10, Surgical Patients; Wards 12 and 14, Medical, and Ward 16, Isolation.

Approximately 75 nurses' aides and male attendants are needed at one time to cover the floors, under the supervision of the registered nurses. With the relocation of so many of the younger aides and attendants, the issei women assisted in all the wards, accomplishing a very praiseworthy task in meeting the critical shortage of nurses' aides and male attendants. They are now an integral part of the hospital personnel.

The hospital has made work experience available to high school students as nurses' aides and attendants, as ward secretaries, clerks and warehouse workers, both in the hospital and on the project. This year, a course is being given in vocational nursing with high school credit.

Around the middle of October, 1942, the hospital acquired a heating system and by the end of the year, a hospital laundry was functioning. At the present time, the

well-equipped hospital kitchen is feeding some 50 out-patients who are on special diets, as well as the in-patients and numerous employees on duty. The hospital laboratory has carried on a large amount of laboratory work, both for patients and project sanitation such as water analysis, etc.

The hospital is so constructed as to make possible segregation of the various types of cases being cared for, including maternity, pediatrics, surgical, medical and isolation cases. It is well equipped, including an excellent X-ray machine; an adequate supply of surgical and general hospital equipment as well as drugs.

Around the first part of January, 1943, a public health nurse arrived. Her duties consist of the following: public health service to the schools; home instructions to mothers with children and families where there are invalids and prenatal cases. A medical social worker was recently added to the staff, and works with individuals and families having medical social problems.

The out-patient clinic averages a little over 2,000 patients each month. All the patients are seen and admitted to the hospital if necessary, or given medical treatment as required.

The relocation program has taken its toll of evacuee physicians as well as other project residents, and the medical staff now consists of three appointed physicians, two evacuee physicians, seven appointed registered nurses, and one evacuee registered nurse.

Cooperative Has Modest Beginning

The consumers business enterprises had its modest beginning in a room in Blk. 6 with approximately a \$500 beginning inventory of general merchandise.

John Essene was the first WRA superintendent and Earl Ingham now holds this position.

By Nov. 14, 1942, there were the following enterprises in operation: 4 general stores, 1 clothing and dry goods department, 2 barber shops, 1 beauty parlor, 1 flower shop, 1 watch repair shop, 1 laundry and dry-cleaning agency, 2 mail order agencies, 1 shoe repair shop, 1 newspaper distribution department, and 1 motion picture department. By the first of July there had been added another dry goods unit, another watch repair shop, 1 shoe repair shop, a bus ticket agency, a Western Union agency, and the publication of the IRRIGATOR. On July 15 to conform with the new quota and the curtailing of services on the project, it was necessary to close the fish market, paper distribution department, flower shop and the movies.

The audit report for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1943, shows a gross margin of 21.17 per cent on a total sales of \$356,201.30 and in net earnings for the period, 11.9 per cent. A cash refund has been declared by the Board of Directors amounting to 10 per cent of the sales. The remainder of the net earnings for the year were set aside in reserve accounts; one-half of 1 per cent of the net earnings for the co-operative education and the balance in a members equity reserve.

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LOOKING BACK THROUGH THE FILES

August 1942

- AUGUST 10**—Advance crew of 212 evacuees from Camp Harmony, Puyallup Assembly Center, Washington, arrives. Ankles disappear in swirling dust. Washingtonians, conditioned to mild weather, get first-hand proof of Idaho sun's slow-broiling capacities. Crew starts fixing-up of barracks and installation of stoves in preparation for arrival of other evacuees.
- AUGUST 16**—Main movement of evacuees sweats into camp at rate of 500 a day. Choice wood disappears from lumber pile under cover of darkness. Same wood makes auspicious debut few days later re-named cabinets, tables and chairs in resident apartments. Evacuees train themselves not to recoil at the sight and thought of conspicuous outhouses.

September 1942

- SEPTEMBER 10**—Beet workers leave to save crops . . . Portland's first contingent of exactly 500 arrives and is wrapped around in fiendish folds of savage dust storm. Canteen sales ring up merrily as dusty tonsils trudge an eternity to lone store in Blk. 6.
- SEPTEMBER 18**—Co-op organization gets underway. All-inclusive sports program starts. Applications for relocation made available. Giant census drive opens.
- SEPTEMBER 22**—Sagebrush surrounding camp licked clean as acute coal shortage hits project. GI's dominate resident wardrobe as clothing issuance begins. WRA buys new sports goods. First rattlesnake killed. Western Union opens.
- SEPTEMBER 25**—Self-government contemplated. Three more wells augment Hunt water supply . . . Strong chlorine content chokes residents. Dental clinic becomes most feared but most patronized place with 40 cases of abused molars a day.
- SEPTEMBER 29**—Rehousing program revised. 43 nisei placed on school staffs. Hospital staff swamped with Blk 34 ptomaine poisoning cases. Diarrhea newest fad, sweeps entire camp, young and old . . .

October 1942

- OCTOBER 2**—Residents warned of tularemia. Circulation of IRRIGATOR booms, issei clamor for issues . . . Japanese section makes debut. Bus line possibility mooted. Fair Labor Practice Board begins functions.
- OCTOBER 7**—Seven man planning board for community government picked. Rye planted to create dustless Hunt. "What Are We Going To Do About It?" panel forum held . . . hailed huge success.
- OCTOBER 10**—Community council members meet with Dillon S. Myer. 3-day conference opens on farm "self-subsistence."
- OCTOBER 14**—1912 break back and slash knees in beet fields. First movie "Ride 'Em Cowboys" runs a week. Disbursement Office wears uncontested crown of most popular office in camp as first payroll of \$40,000 is paid out. Editorial charges some farmers as "unfair" in employment of evacuee labor.
- OCTOBER 17**—Hunt contributes toward "woman's world" realization as fire force hires 9 women wardens. Marathon race carded for Halloween festival.
- OCTOBER 21**—"Unfair" charges hit. Farmers present viewpoint. Watch towers to serve as lookouts under construction. "Fight for America," Nippon officer tells kin in U. S. "Ac-

cept Japanese as integral part of U. S." suggests Harper Magazine article. Name contest held for "Imp", later known as Dokie.

- OCTOBER 24**—Unnecessary usage of cars eliminated through newly-organized Motor Pool. Bus acquired, soon to make regular runs. Green stamps issued at Canteens.
- OCTOBER 28**—2285 workers out on farms. Bus line starts operating. Residents become slaves to coal pile when report comes in of possible minimum of 30 degrees below zero. Drama club starts.
- OCTOBER 31**—Barbed wire seen for community. Camp Savage calls nisei, kibei. Vegetables arrive from Tule Lake's first harvest, while Hunt farms are still in wailing infant stage. Blk. 23, Civic Center readied. Hallowe'en parties set for kiddies.

November 1942

- NOVEMBER 4**—Residents make grand rush for Disbursement Office as September pay finally staggers in. Co-op Board of Directors elected. The confidential history of 9174 evacuees cubbyholed away as census survey comes to breathless stop after a month and a half. Feminine hair, worried by perpetual wind and dust, shimmers with relief at opening of Beauty Shop. IRRIGATOR mascot still nameless. Optometrist sees eyes in his sleep as he takes care of five eye exams a day.
- NOVEMBER 7**—WCCA statistics show 4680 more men than women in census of coastal and middle states. Thumbjerk becomes mode as bus recuperates in garage. Mascot finally named "Dokie." All world's cross-country speed records shattered as local girls rope males for first "Sadie Hawkins" Dance.
- NOVEMBER 11**—Efficiency of medical corps aim of new hospital set-up. Steward Department orders 7000 pounds of turkey.
- NOVEMBER 14**—1319 students prepare for high school opening. Adult education survey held. Six hurt when truck spills, apple pickers hurt near Bliss Junction. Drama Club sponsors kiddies' puppet show.
- NOVEMBER 18**—First blaze damages apartment while occupants are away. 4511 persons attend art and handicraft exhibit. 45-mile gale rips through camp, carries garage shed 50 feet away. Min Yasui leaves for Portland to hear sentence.
- NOVEMBER 21**—Co-op plans free movies for young. IRRIGATOR carries banner head, "Evacuation Illegal?"
- NOVEMBER 25**—Hunt celebrates initial day of thanks in relocation center. Repeatedly hit on head by sugar beets on trucks, desperate youth appeals to President Roosevelt for helmets; is answered by WRA. Gala Yule program set.
- NOVEMBER 28**—Free movies scheduled for school children. Co-op files papers of incorporation.

December 1942

- DECEMBER 2**—Christmas tree decoration contest set. Lured by the evasive greasewood, two men get lost; found 20 hours later.
- DECEMBER 5**—Center's first tragedy goes on record when body of elderly man lost in the sagebrush for two and a half days is found. Federal Post Office set up here. Project "theaters" have slanting floors. Snow plow procured.
- DECEMBER 9**—Thousand acre farm planned. Worker shortage relieved as seasonal workers sift back. Ice-skating rage hits project; bruised bodies latest epidemic.
- DECEMBER 12**—Meat bows out of picture as rationing plans formulate. Ice-skating rink

Steward Division Plans Balanced Meals for Residents' Consumption

Striving to maintain well-balanced meals for all the residents in spite of food rationing, the Steward's Division under Cecil A. Wilder, chief project steward, maintains its smooth efficient operation.

Heading the evacuee staff for the Steward's personnel which numbers 1152 workers, is Richard K. Fujiye, senior project steward, and Minor Akagi, senior rationer.

There are three departments within the division, namely the office staff, the six steward's warehouses and the 38 dining halls, including the appointed personnel dining hall.

The office staff under the supervision of Mr. Wilder and the evacuee head, Mr. Fujiye, controls the procurement of food and the issuance of both rationed and unrationed foods to the dining

halls. The issues on requisitions are made and checked against daily kitchen inventories and block strength for allotted quantities. These requisitions in turn are transmitted to the office in Warehouse 10 where the requisitions are broken down and the food issued to the dining hall.

Food costs here on the project average from 40 to 42 cents a day per person and the aggregate total cost of food is well in excess of \$100,000 per month.

A new-comer to Shelby complained about finding sand in his soup. "Well," said the sergeant sitting next to him, "did you come to serve your country or to complain about your food?"

"I came to serve my country but not to eat it!"

—Manzanar Free Press.

Motor Pool Handles All Transportation

The nucleus of all transportation in the project, the Motor Pool in its location north of the warehouses, controls approximately 160 vehicles. Result of Hunt's effort to conserve tires and gasoline in keeping with the national war effort, the Motor Pool is under the supervision of Roy Olson, assisted by Jay LaJeunesse and Dalice Hill.

Included in the Motor Pool are 26 passengers, 3 semi's, plus trucks, ambulances, and buses, which are used for the needs of each division in carrying out their work on the project. Referred from Central Services, each car requisitioned carries a trip ticket which records mileage and time needed for the job. Approximately 60 trucks are used daily for various routine duties around the center. Drivers are provided by the Central Service Division.

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SHOWERS COLD —
WERE YOU BOLD?

WE UNDERTOOK A TASK —
TO MAKE THIS CHRISTMAS
LAST! December - 42

SWEETHEARTS
N' LEG ART!
February 43

JANUARY 43
PLENTY OF SNOW,
IT FROZE MY TOE!

A RATTLE —
D BETTER GET OUTA
HERE!

DUST N' WIND —
NATURE'S SIN!
Sept. 42-43

THEY ANSWERED THE CALL —
MUD AND ALL !! March - 43

REMEMBER WHEN? — SAYS MINI
OH! IT WAS FUNNY!

COLUMBIA CHICKEN —
STILL KICKIN' !! August - 43

SPRING PLANTIN' WAS FUN
FOR FATHER N' SON!
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FUNTASIA, A HIT —
WE'LL NEVER FORGET!
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SOMEWHERE IN SHELBY
ALERT N' READY!
June - 43

JULY 43
THE COOLEST SPOT,
WHEN YOU'RE REALLY HOT!

RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES IN MINIDOKA

UNITED BUDDHIST

Disregarding denominational differences the Buddhists of this project have joined hands and are working together as The United Buddhist Church. The Buddhists sponsor many activities one of which is the paper, "Buddhism in Minidoka". Approximately 1800 issues are published each week in both English and Japanese.

Besides the various services which include three Sunday schools, three adult meetings, and three young people's devotional meetings, the Church and its ministers are cooperating with the WRA for the general welfare of the camp.

The ministers, two Shinshu, one Shingon, and one Nichiren, in ad-

dition to conducting united services also hold their individual denominational meetings on weekdays.

FEDERATED CHRISTIAN

Upon arrival at Hunt, the Protestant churches, representing six denominations pooled their resources and emerged as the Federated Christian Church. A year has passed since that union took place; a year of hard work and excellent results.

Caucasian associates moved to near-by towns and with the people on the project set about to continue working as they had done before evacuation. Worship services, prayer meetings, Sunday schools, young people's gatherings, adult meetings; all of these

continue to be popular with the residents.

Through the efforts of the Federated Church, every child on the project, regardless of religion, was given a gift at Christmas. Sixty-nine youths were recipients of summer scholarships that enabled them to enjoy the fellowship of Christian friends and the cool mountain air of the Sawtooth Mountains.

The churches of neighboring communities have sent delegations as well as ministers and in return groups from this camp have been invited to attend their meetings and conferences.

Although relocation has claimed many of its members the Federated Christian Church continues to pursue these three aims; assis-

tance in personal problems, aid in relocation, and the development of Christian faith and character.

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs was the title of the Catholic Japanese Church in Seattle. A recognized parish, it was fully organized, having its own church, school, and facilities for carrying out its work. Evacuation came and the Catholics resolved to keep theirs a functioning religious unit. Through help from their co-religionists their members have depleted but their work goes on unhindered.

Father Tibesar has labored unceasingly to serve his parish and through his efforts the Catholic Church of Hunt continues to progress.

LOOKING BACK THROUGH THE FILES

started. Versatile local talent trip across wobbly stage at "Sagebrush Revue."

DECEMBER 16—Blk. 44 opens. Barracks wear skirts as winterization begins. High School slates gala carnival.

DECEMBER 19—Seattle JACL donates \$3000 to national chapter for relocation. 284 colleges on approved army list for evacuees. Minidoka ranks 9th in population among relocation centers with 7587. Mass choir concert set. Gay and happy Christmas Day seen as donations and gifts pour in. 7000 gifts received from two churches. WRA staff residents donate generously.

DECEMBER 25—Irrigator staff stays up all day and all night to put out giant 32 page Christmas edition, with features, stories, poems, and articles.

DECEMBER 30—18-year-olds must register for draft. Kay Kyser's "You'll Find Out" plays. True spirit of good will and fellowship toward men was felt in Hunt as total number of gifts tallied 17,000. Traffic patrol set up at elementary school. Residents stay up all night helping to decorate their respective dining halls—D. H. 17 and D. H. 36 emerge co-winners. Special honorable mentions go to D. H.'s 26, 15 and 32. Hunt prepares to welcome New Year with gala dances, looks forward to '43 with apprehension.

January 1943

JANUARY 2—Hunt's loss, D.C.'s gain, as Harold James, loved and respected placement officer leaves. \$39,120 in clothing issue distributed to 19 blocks. Mops flung in new vigor as Steward Division announces a "cleanliness" contest. Aspiring future secretaries file up to Ad area evenings as steno-pool established. Hearts are lifted as 10,000 pounds of mochigome, synonym for New Year, distributed.

JANUARY 6—Ice Carnival set. Plans call for united JACL. Gallup Poll reveals 31 per cent of coast residents oppose return of evacuees. Hunt population jumps to 9128. The smart set looks forward to a little degree of privacy as four social halls open.

JANUARY 9—Service-minded girls form "Service-ers" Club to entertain nisei soldiers. Fans schedule "karuta" contests. Sewerage system being installed. Fire crew aids ice-skating rink work. Relocation before war's end stressed.

JANUARY 13—Bus service to Twin Falls opens. University students advised not to go out on undercutting jobs. Art exhibit anticipated. Residents tie permanent bonds with canvas cots, as definite word is received that steel cots are unavailable. Plans for camp orchestra laid.

JANUARY 16—Excavations start for schools, in locations immediately north of Blks. 10 and 37, the elementary school sites, and Blk. 26, the Junior-Senior High school site. Co-op Board's approval sets stage for printed IRRIGATOR. Statistics show men outnumber women, 5059 to 4437. Other figures show total population 9496; persons over 18 years—7225; average age, 35.29. Weather, vandals, blamed for calling off of highly-anticipated ice carnival. Co-op gets formal recognition. Hawaiian orchestra organized. Hal Hoshino, popular pugilist, donates gloves to Community Activities.

JANUARY 20—Mercury slips 12 degrees below zero. Veteran Idaho weather experts claim it's still warmish. Asphalt roofing paper gives final touch to winterization. Live-stock farms planned for WRA centers; veget-

able output huge. Bluing bottles blow up, canned goods damaged by sub-zero weather.

JANUARY 23—Christmas financial report given: receipts add up to \$1472.90, grand total expenditures, \$1469.60. Work hours strictly regulated; town crier checks clocks.

JANUARY 29—Extra! Army will admit nisei. Voluntary induction first; new combat unit is contemplated.

JANUARY 27—Ex-Senator Mary Farquharson pays visit to Hunt. Greasewood is not greasewood, it's bitterbrush. Hunt's agricultural hold initial meeting. Statistics show 4550 employed here, with Public Works Division leading in number of male employees. Ice-hockey loop looms as equipment from Seattle Civic Ice Arena arrives. Mass Choir makes appearance in Jerome. President's Birthday dances held. Glamour hunt on; agenda cleared for weather-beaten Hunt's first beauty contest for Valentine Day.

JANUARY 30—JACL chapters pledge to promote war effort. Mary Farquharson, ex-Washington State Senator, speaks on "Legality of Evacuation". Masculine eyes peeled to microscopic degree; sweetheart quest stirs male-storm.

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FEBRUARY 3—War Department's action hailed by local nisei leaders. Mass choir sings in Twin Falls. Glamour interest rises; block winners picked. Dances raise \$45.10 for Paralysis Fund.

FEBRUARY 6—WRA registration ordered here. Bainbridge residents coming here. Tin can conservation started here. "Heartbeat" search hits torrid pace. Campaign planned to form volunteer fire crew.

FEBRUARY 8—"In any time of crisis, however, when national survival presents itself as the all-important issue, the best interests of the few must sometimes be temporarily sacrificed or disregarded for what seems the good of the many. . . . It is not necessary for me to appeal to the loyalty of those who are loyal. . . ." Lt. Stanley Arnold in speech for volunteer program.

FEBRUARY 10—Dining Hall 30 places first in cleanliness race, D. H. 32, second, and D. H. 31, third. Sectional winners picked: Sec. I, Kiyoka Kumagai; Sec. II, Misao Hayashida; Sec. III, Mary Jane Kinoshita; Sec. IV, Amy Hidaka; Sec. V, Ise Inuzuka; Sec. VI, Chick Ishihara; and Sec. VII, Mona Saito. Returns of Co-op Drive totals \$3437. National Scout Week celebrated. Live-wire blocks organize clubs. Adult education classes spurred as new classes formed.

FEBRUARY 13—"It's Make or Break" an editorial states, ". . . 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 hypersensitive 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. . ." Nisei placed in government jobs, WRA announces. Ise Inuzuka, chosen "Sweetheart of Minidoka"; makes tour of camp dances. Prepsters choose Hunt High school's official name: "Wolverines" and navy blue and gold, their emblem and school colors.

FEBRUARY 17—2466 interviewed for WRA questionnaire. Last issue of IRRIGATOR in mimeographed form. Evacuee role in saving of

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Reports Div. Informs Center Residents

Because Hunt is a backwater community, out of the main stream of American life, the Reports Division, headed by John Bigelow, has two main objectives: To keep the community informed through the IRRIGATOR and other ways about WRA policies, relocation opportunities and community activities; and to acquaint nearby communities with Hunt, its purpose and its residents.

In addition to these objectives, the Reports Office is writing the history of the Minidoka Relocation Center day by day through reports and documentary photographs.

One nisei filling out an employment form in a center was puzzled by the question: "Any physical disabilities?" His friend suggested, "Just tell them you're a Jap!"

—Manzanar Free Press.

Property Control Handles All Incoming, Outgoing Goods

Everything that comes in and goes out of the project, from teaspoons to tractors, goes through the fingers of an un-imposing office in Warehouse 2, the Property Control Office.

Under the leadership of A. J. Ford, property control officer, and his equally capable assistants, A. B. Colwell, assistant office manager, J. W. Wilson, transportation

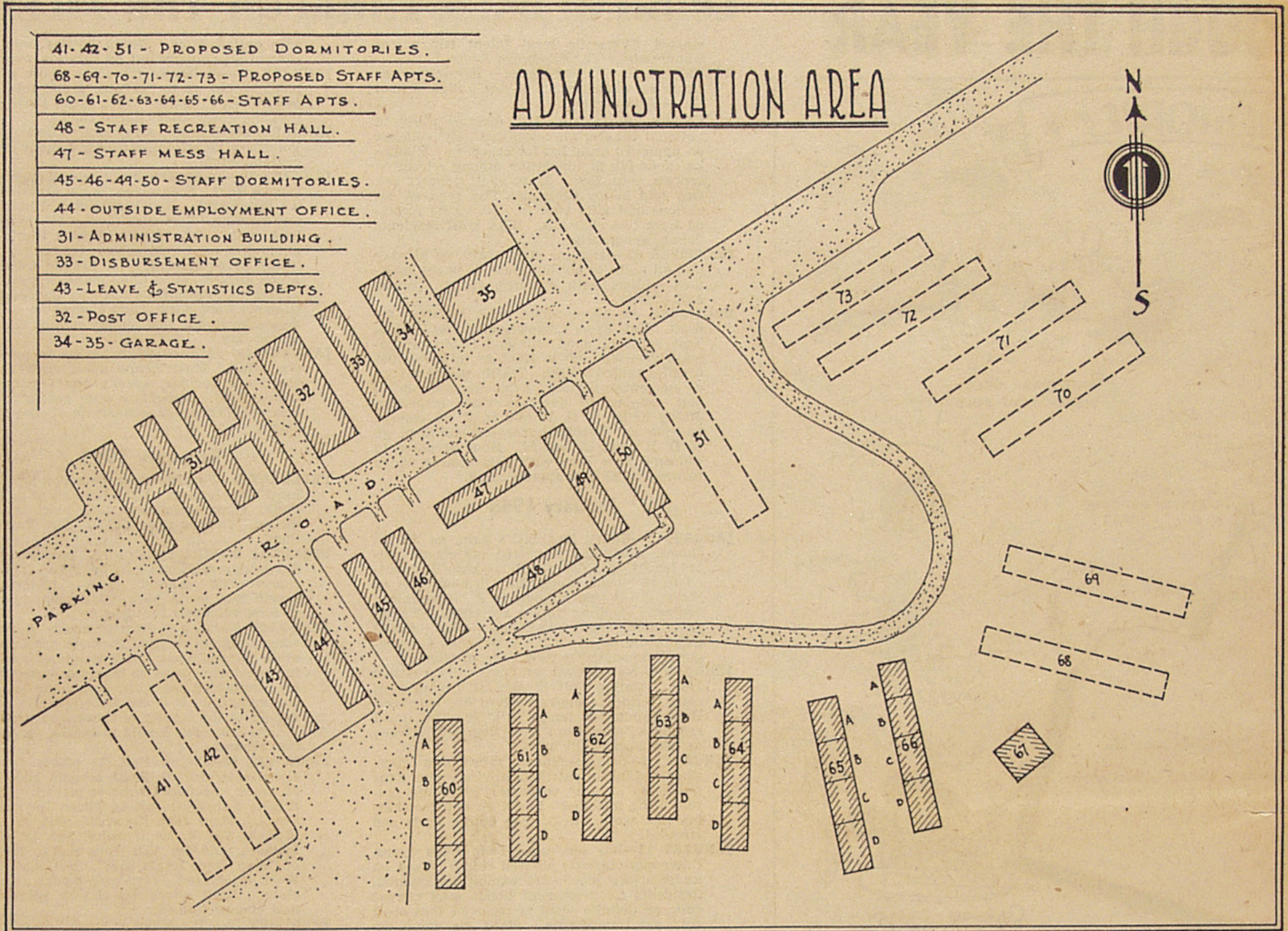
Procurement

All authority to make purchases of materials and supplies required in the center and the execution of necessary orders and contracts are vested in the Procurement Division.

Keeping the work running smoothly, the Procurement Office is headed by Kenneth G. Merrill, who succeeded Howard Mann, new supply officer.

officer, Henry Gorski, storekeeper, and Gordon Newbry, head receiving man, a total of 83 workers check in and out equipment and material necessary to run the camp.

The Property Control Office is in complete charge of 11 warehouses, each one with a floor space of 5376 square feet. They are divided as follows: Whse. 2—Receiving; Whse 4—Housing supplies; Whse. 8—Clothing; Whse. 3—Agriculture; Whse. 12—Community Enterprises; Whse. 14—Adult Education classes; Whse. 15—Evacuee Property; Whse 16—Carpenter Shop; Whse. 20—Mill work, lumber; Whse. 19—Electrical plumbing, irrigation engineers, public works maintenance; and Whse. 18—Finished lumber, i. e. doors, windows. Whses. 6, 7, 9, 10, and 11 are Mess Warehouses, and in charge of the Steward Division.



Leaves and Furloughs Office Swings Open Gate to Relocation

Relocation's righthand man is the Leaves and Furloughs Department, situated in the administration area and under the direction of Victor V. McLaughlin.

It is closely connected with the Outside Employment Office.

The functions of the Leaves and Furloughs Department are: to check project clearance and attempt to secure any other clearance required; to hold consultations on different types of leaves for positions; to secure approval for privately obtained employment;

to secure approval from relocation offices for social leave requests; to process all leaves by the time individual leaves; to notify Central Service for baggage pickup on dates of departure; to arrange clearance hearings for those not cleared and whose papers have been returned from Washington, D.C.; and, since the registration program last February, to grant indefinite leaves in the majority of cases.

Working under McLaughlin are Bob Ikeda, assistant leaves officer; Mary Mukasa, indefinite leaves; and Joanne Oyabe, seasonal leaves.

Employment Office Aids Relocation

Under the direct supervision of genial L. W. Folsom, placement officer, the Outside Employment Office contains Outside Employment, Relocation Planning, Relocation Library, Travel Bureau and Student Relocation departments. The Office is a department of the Employment Division which receives and fills offers of employment for both seasonal and permanent jobs. It receives offers for relocation opportunities, and advises people of the project as to how, when, and where to relocate.

The Relocation Library has all the information essential to help with relocation such as maps, population of cities and states, types of industries, agricultural opportunities, etc.

The Travel Bureau furnishes information on time tables, makes reservations, and performs all of the duties of any travel bureau.

The Student Relocation Library contains all of the necessary information relative to college and universities and other educational data for prospective students.

Functioning under the supervision of the Placement Officer is the Relocation Council composed of residents of this project who represent all the different phases of community life on this project. It makes suggestions and plans to help the Placement Officer in relocation planning.

The relocation section of the Outside Employment was established under the direction of Joseph Beeson, senior employment officer, on July 16, 1943.

Administration Officials Keep Project Running Smoothly

To promote a smooth running administrative machinery to set the wheels of efficiency on the project into motion, a reorganization of the Administration was effected last July 1.

In addition to three divisions, legal, employment, and reports, three assistant project directors were named to report directly to the project director. These included Philip Schafer, assistant project director in charge of administrative management; R. S. Davidson, assistant project director in

charge of operations; and Richard A. Pomeroy, assistant project director in charge of community management. Head of the Legal Division is C. Moxley Featherston, project attorney; employment officer is Joseph G. Beeson, and John Bigelow is the reports officer.

Functioning under the Administrative Management Division are: supply, Howard Mann; finance, Russell Sprinkel; mess management, Cecil A. Wilder; budget accounting, Marlow Glenn; cost accounting, H. J. Keener; procurement, Kenneth G. Merrill; postal services, unfilled; office services, Mrs. Gertrude Cleaver; personnel, Fred W. Minnesang; statistics, unfilled.

Under the Operations Division the following sections are included: engineering, Dan Sheehan; agriculture, W. A. Rawlings; irrigation, drainage, and roads, William Maxey; construction and maintenance, Glen R. Green; motor and transportation, Roy E. Olson; design and drafting, L. B. Thoreson; industry, unfilled; fire protection, Ivan F. Burke.

The following sections are included in the Community Management Division: education, Arthur Klienkopf; internal security, Kenneth Barclay; welfare, Carl V. Sandoz; health, Dr. L. M. Neher; evacuee property, Clyde Linville; community activities, Walter E. Kipp; community analysis, John E. DeYoung; business enterprises, Earl B. Ingham; community government, no appointed personnel.

Placement Office Assigns Positions To Residents

Rendering invaluable service to the community in its assignment of placing all employable evacuees on jobs for which they are fitted within the project, the Placement Office conducts affairs at 22-11-ABCD with L. W. Folsom in charge.

The Placement Office is one of three sections of the Employment Division and composed of three units itself—namely, Placement, Extended Illness, and Employment Statistics.

Working in these divisions are: K. Kanno, placement officer; John Ikeda, junior placement officer; Mary Yokota, office manager; Haruko Soeda, extended illness compensation counselor, and George Hara, statistician.

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Letters, what a magical word. Just a synonym for warmth, friends, assurance that someone is thinking of you, a spicing hot cup of tea in the cold and chills of everyday life.

Letters didn't mean too much in the pre-war days of happy and mad school days. But since evacuation, and the bewildering days of assembly centers, those messages, kind and encouraging, played not a little part in keeping the fast-dwindling light of faith flickering in our hearts.

At first they were gay missives, filled with chatter about people we knew and loved, written to make us forget the injustice done. And in our case, they were careful not to mention too much the beautiful Commencement Exercises, Senior Prom, Senior Sneak, Senior Breakfast, and all the activities that we had planned together and talked about for four long years before suddenly a military ruling was laid down and we were forced to leave without the fulfillment of those dreams. We cried that night, lying on our cots, thinking of our fair-haired friends marching up, receiving their diplomas. We cried, too, when we marched into the adjoining Area D on that rainy day, allowed only two guests each, and received our diplomas in the Puyallup Fair outside stadium, followed by our "Commencement Dance" in a dreary dormitory under the grandstands. We were the first War Class of the Second World War, and never did the full meaning of that title hit us with such an impact as then.

Letters followed from our classmates, in typical carefree student banter . . . "the whole deal was pretty super . . . We missed you people though . . . We know you Americans out there are making a greater sacrifice than we back here will ever be asked to make . . ." "This is the final week for most of us guys—and is our final splurge in the fine art of slinging the verbs and adjectives. I think I can understand how you felt when you left . . ." "At least we have the satisfaction of knowing that we were a Pacemaker staff—and that each in his own way played his part in getting that honor. The dear thing about it is that it was as much your Pacemaker, (though you may be behind barbed wire now) as it was Hank's, Dave's or anybody else's." "The school has been a trifle dead since so many livewires left with evacuation. No spirit, no more of that happy cosmopolitanism . . ."

But with the advancement of the war, nearly all of the friends either joined the army, or went out for defense work. Almost overnight, the letters changed from the swifty, loose, happy-go-lucky communiques to letters with omnious seriousness between the lines. True, a lot of the lines were still haphappy, but the war had matured them overnight just as evacuation added years to our growth and character.

The missives were no longer from "one fourth-estater zany to another". They were from fighting men ready to die for their country, to an evacuee who with thousands left a major portion of her life to submit to a military ruling.

They read . . . "It may seem kind of thin coming from a guy who's still got just about all the freedom he's ever had, but anyway I'm still going to enter the old plea, 'Don't give up hope'. You may never hear any of them express it audibly but you people over there have a lot of friends over here who haven't forgotten what swell comrades you've been and they all realize the position you're in."

"You may call me a dreamer, but when I get into this fight, I will, and I don't think I stand alone, be fighting for your rights,

Welfare Department Takes Care of Human Needs

Holding sway over the important Welfare Section—which consists of the Clothing Allowance Office, the Ration Office, the Housing Office, and the Welfare Office—is Carl V. Sandoz, counselor.

Personnel of the Welfare Section include: V. Shook, associate counselor; Floyd Tokuda, supervisor of clothing allowances; Mrs. Kiyu Kawasaki, ration supervisor, and C. W. Abbott, housing supervisor.

The Clothing Allowance Office is responsible for determining the clothing allowances due to those persons who work or who receive unemployment compensation, and their dependents.

as much as anyone's". "We won't stop fighting, when the war's over. We will lay down our arms, but we won't sign the truce until everybody is free".

These and many others . . . And too, most of these letters were significant in the fact that they came, not from desk-strategists, not from home-politicians, but from men who are coming face to face in the battlefields with enemies of the same color hair as the nisei.

When the final victory is won, and the liberty bell rings once more, wouldn't there be more chances of a really lasting peace, if the truce was written by the soldiers themselves?? . . . my

The Ration Office is responsible for issuing ration books to persons leaving the project on seasonal or indefinite leave, and for collecting and holding the ration books of those persons who return to the project for re-induction.

Responsible for the assignment of living quarters to all project residents is the Housing Office.

The primary function of the Welfare Office is that of giving service to individuals and families who have problems of various kinds. Included among these are problems of family adjustment, old age, dependency, and delinquency.

Some of the more specific responsibilities of the Welfare Office are: arranging transfers between centers; processing repatriation applications; assisting families in making funeral arrangements; handling Red Cross messages and other matters pertaining to the Red Cross; determining eligibility and providing public assistance grants to residents in financial need; determining eligibility for travel grants; assisting families in making applications for rehearings for interned relatives; supplying layettes to expectant mothers; distributing a limited amount of new and used clothing; assisting persons making applications for Social Security benefits; and assisting with applications for Railroad Retirement benefits.



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Learning their Children's Language



Just one of the many advantages Adult Education stands for. In the Beginner's English class taught by Miss Elma Tharp, nine issei and kibei women work diligently after their home chores are done in an effort to learn the language of their adopted country. From left to right: Shizuko Kamimaye, Yoshiye Nishimura, Mrs. K. Mayeno, Miss Tharp, Yu Iwata, Itsuko Iguchi, Koto Takeuchi, Aya Nishino, and Kasuga Iwashita.

Adult Education Assists Many Residents; Various Skills Taught

The primary purpose of adult education is to assist people to adjust themselves satisfactorily to normal community life. A subsidiary and contributing aim is the improvement of the quality of living here on the project.

To further these aims, curriculum emphasis has centered largely on vocational and language courses. Adult English courses center around the traditions and problems of living in this country and through this functional subject matter develop requisite skills in speaking, writing, and reading.

The building of flag poles, playground equipment, farrowing pens, chicken houses, brooder houses and similar projects not only provides excellent vocational experience but also further community development. Actual production under skilled supervision and efficient working conditions enables students to receive training in auto mechanics, welding, blacksmithing, farm machinery repair, and carpentry. Certificates of vocational training in national defense are issued to those students who develop work habits and skills adequate for outside employment.

Approximately 1,100 students are enrolled in adult education classes with a proportion of eight women to every man enrolled. The two most popular courses are drafting and designing and Am-

ericanization. Classes continue throughout the year with the greatest enrollment during the winter months. Recently arrangements have been completed permitting the granting of high school credit to selected students above high school age.

Division Aids Many Interested Students

The purpose of the Student Relocation division is to assist students in selecting a school to attend, examine and appraise student academic records, arrange with educational institutions for the admission of students, determine community sentiment with respect to the relocation of students in that community, and determine the adequacy of the student's financial arrangements. This division was headed by Hannah Yamada until August and is now temporarily fulfilled by Lillian Fujihira.

From August, 1942 to September 15, 1943, 170 residents were granted releases on student relocation in the following proportion:

Colorado 19, Idaho 13, Illinois 13, Indiana 3, Iowa 11, Kansas 2, Massachusetts 2, Michigan 4, Minnesota 11, Missouri 9, Nebraska 15, New York 11, Ohio 8, Pennsylvania 4, Tennessee 1, Texas 4, Utah 17, Washington 18, Washington, D. C. 1, Wisconsin 2, Wyoming 2, Total 170.

Post Office Under Federal Ruling

Conceived in its temporary quarters in Blk. 22 when the center was in its infancy stage, Hunt's Post Office became officially a Federal P. O. on December 7 in its larger and permanent quarters in the administration area.

Functioning under U. S. postal regulations, Hunt Branch, Twin Falls, handles all incoming and outgoing mail, money orders, postal savings accounts, C. O. D., parcel post, registered mail, and sells war bonds and stamps. Postal hours are from 9 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. with deliveries and collections being made to block managers' offices once in the morning and once in the afternoon.

Present staff is headed by S. Okumura, who is aided by Assistant H. Katada, and supervisor of mails, K. Mori.



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Hunt High School Project Has Two Accredited Now Elementary Schools

Entering its second year, this time as a fully accredited school, Hunt High, comprising the whole of Blk. 23, continues to be the scene of many changes. The polished floors, the painted chairs and the book-filled shelves are a far cry from the bleak, barren barracks which first greeted the bewildered students. Time has brought increased improvements, many of which the students themselves have helped to bring about. Clearing off the sagebrush, they made recreation grounds. Clumsily bruising their fingers in the process, they put up shelves for the few books that were available. Girls revived the old fashioned sewing bee and made colorful curtains.

A student body was formed; exchange assemblies were held with nearby communities; a carnival and numerous dances were held; Hunt High had begun to bustle with youthful activity.

Principal J. T. Light aided by his staff of 38 teachers, 29 appointed and 9 evacuees, has given the school a glimpse of a man who is in every sense of the word "swell". Cooperating, guiding, and also disciplining, he and the pupils have raised the school from tottering infancy to full maturity.

Although it is smaller than Stafford School, Huntville lacks none of the enthusiasm which characterizes the two elementary schools. In neat well-lighted rooms the 302 students learn their a b c's. Taking up half of Blk. 10 to the school also includes a small auditorium. There are nine classrooms and an impressive flagpole in front which can be seen from a distance.

A faculty of eight WRA teachers and three evacuees is working unceasingly not only to teach their charges the three r's but also to inculcate in them the principles of democracy for which their older brothers are fighting.

Located in Blk. 32, Stafford Elementary School has an enrollment of approximately 430. Headed by Miss Mildred Bennett, the principal, and composed of 17 WRA teachers and 9 evacuees, a competent faculty is doing its utmost to instill in the pupils the foundation of an education to which the youngsters will be adding throughout their lives.

Taking up half of the block, the school also includes two playgrounds. One is supplied with teeter-totters and one is used for baseball. The classrooms are pleasant and show the result of the students' handiwork. Attempts at beautifying the grounds have proved successful and now green grass and plots of flowers can be seen between the buildings.



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SPORTS REVIEW

...1942-43...

By Jawn

Exactly a year ago, with football, basketball, baseball, boxing, golf, and tennis planned for sport enthusiasts, the local athletic program held a very promising note.

An intensive program seemed to be in the making when the camp football team, with such well-known football artists as Jack Yoshihara, Harry Yanagimachi, Shiro Kashino, and Don Sugai lending prestige to the squad, received an invitation from the College of Idaho to contest their respective strengths.

When the sugar beet fever hit Hunt and most of the players left camp, the entire sports plan collapsed. All efforts exerted by the athletic staff for the promotion of organized sports ended up against a solid wall . . . lack of participants and facilities.

Although crippled during the harvesting season, the sports program carried on.

MARATHON RACE

The Hallowe'en marathon race was the most publicized sports event during that time but never got under way, due to lack of prospective entrants. The cross country trial was shortened to half its original course, but not a single person volunteered to exercise his legs.

The IRRIGATOR-Rec Staff grid-iron classic was held on a snow-covered field with the project paper's "My-T-Six" coming on the short end of a 12-0 score.

The most unusual sports story of the year was when two grid-minded girls' teams invaded the field previously reserved strictly for the male sex. After four quarters of rough and tumble football, the Sec. III femmes came through with a 2-0 win over the Sec. V six-women team.

During the long winter months of snow and cold, ice-skating became one of the most popular past-time in Hunt. A gala ice carnival was tentatively set for January 16, but was called off because of some Hallowe'en minded residents and the failure of the weather to cooperate.

ATHLETES ANSWER CALL

When the call for volunteers came from Uncle Sam, 304 Hunt boys volunteered. Among them were Chick Uno, capable athletic supervisor and all around athlete; Jimmy Sakamoto, contender for the light-weight crown; the three Yanagimachi brothers; Tad Fujiooka, Pete Fujino, George Okamura, Tomomi Namba, Hiro Heymoto, and George Morishita—all noted athletes.

CASABA SEASON OPENS

Spring came and the basketball

season opened with the Hunt High Wolverines being crowned the "unofficial champs" of Hunt. To claim this title, they toppled such star-studded teams as the Celtics, Main Bowl, Sec. III, and the Rec. V. quintet.

The Hunt Hi Wolverines also entered the Inter-Relocation Free Throw League sponsored by the Heart Mt. Physical Education Department. Placing third behind Rohwer and Heart Mt., George Nakagawa lead the local ten-man team with an 18 basket-a-week average for a total of 89 points to land a position on the All-Star ten.

First baseball tryouts were held for the Hunt Hi baseball team and 54 aspirants answered the call. After three weeks of strenuous practicing, Coach Takami's charges displayed terrific power and showed notice to high schools in the Magic Valley area, when they swept a double bill from the Twin Falls Bruins, 10-6 and 16-5. The first game was played at the newly constructed Center Field diamond and the second at the Jaycee Park in Twin Falls.

Looking for new worlds to conquer, the Hunt nine crossed bats with the local Olympiad Cadets team only to come out on the short end of a 19-2 and 9-8 score. With a record of two wins and two losses, the Hunt Hi nine called it quits due to the lack of games with outside high schools.

HUNT ALL-STARS

Boasting such ex-college and high school diamond stars as Ralph Takami, Shiro Kashino, Henry Fukano, Suki Hachiya, Tom Shiiki, John Tanaka, Meiji Hayashi, and many others from the Pacific Northwest, Hunt's semi-pro baseball nine was organized under the watchful eyes of Coaches Tom Sakai and Roy Sakamoto.

A crowd of 1,500 sought to gain every vantage point to watch the Hunt All-Stars score their first victory over the Filer nine, 7-1. Harold Lutz, who later got a contract with the San Diego Padres in the Pacific Coast League, struck out 13 batters. For Hunt, Takami and Sato totaled 17 strike-outs.

Jerome was the next victim when the All-Stars plastered them, 15-5.

KUMAGAI SHINES

Behind Rikio Kumagai's masterful relief pitching, Hunt trounced Rupert for their third straight win, 22-6. And the following Sunday, eked out a 8-7 win over Jerome, which was strengthened by the return of varsity baseball winners throughout the schools in Idaho and vicinity.

Hunt All-Stars again defeated

Rupert in a return game by the score of 8-1. Rik Kumagai missed gaining entrance into baseball's mythical hall of fame when he pitched a one-hitter against the once powerful Nampa Nisei baseball team. All-Stars punched out a 24-2 win.

The All-Stars extended their winning streak to seven straight by downing Burley, 12-4, and in a return game, defeated them, 13-9. With eight straight wins tucked under their belt, the baseball team was disbanded when half the team answered Uncle Sam's call and many relocated.

ENTERS TOURNEY

Also during the baseball season, the Hunt All-Stars entered the Idaho State Semi-Pro Tournament held at Idaho Falls. Led by Shig Osawa, who stepped into Coach Sakai's shoes, when the latter relocated, the All-Stars dropped the first game to the powerful Idaho Merchants, 6-4. In the next game, they eliminated the Jerome-Filer nine by the score of 16-3 and came through by defeating the Hunt Military Police, 14-1, thus surviving the quarter-finals.

In the semi-finals, the Hunt All-Stars again bumped into the Merchants and took another set-back, 7-3. This eliminated the All-Stars, putting them into fourth place in a field of eight teams.

With baseball on the downgrade, swim enthusiasts got together and a swimming pool was constructed below the warehouse area. Residents kept cool by taking their daily swims in this pool.

Old Timers' softball meets provided thrills for the spectators as Blk. 12 took tourney.

Class "A" softball tourney follows Old Timers' meet and Otees capture crown. Also during the tournament, Joe Asahara hurls amazing no-hitter for Sec. III for the first of its kind in camp.

Hunt's golf team fails to place in the Twin Falls Municipal Golf Tournament. Nakamura and Aoki, high men for Hunt.

Following the Class "A" tourney, a Class "B" tourney was held to give those who did not participate in the "A" tourney a chance to play. Otee's No. 2 walks off with the championship making it two for Otee's bunch.

With this, the curtain comes

Looking Back

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beat crop cited in booklet.

FEBRUARY 27—Long-awaited printed IRRIGATOR makes initial bow. Registration of residents completed. 177 former Bainbridge residents here. Four Sakura brothers enlist. Rupert concert slated, featuring local music talent.

March 1943

MARCH 13—300 volunteer for combat unit; huge banquets fete enlistees, wives, parents.

April 1943

APRIL 10—Army physical exams begin.
APRIL 17—211 volunteers pass physicals. Model apartment ready for inspection. Japanese-American Parent-Soldier Association organized. WPB orders new school buildings dropped.
APRIL 24—Nisei in armed forces permitted to enter west coast.

May 1943

MAY 8—Rejected volunteers assured first priority in war plant jobs. Second bus load of 37 volunteers leaves for Fort Douglas. High school students celebrate May Day. "Funtasia", a million dollar extravaganza shows.
MAY 15—Third group of 37 volunteers leaves. WAAC's open to nisei.
MAY 29—Memorial service held. Four Hunt entrants win honors in art contest.

June 1943

JUNE 5—Population goes down to 7,801. Swimming in canal barred.
JUNE 19—Residents reject charter for Community Advisory Council.
JUNE 26—Supreme Court upholds curfew regulations; Yasui and Hirabayashi to serve sentence. Noboru Tada, 11 year old youth, victim of canal current. Hunt USO honors boys in uniform.

July 1943

JULY 3—Meyer orders project payroll cut to 2900 workers. Gala Fourth of July outdoor stage show held.
JULY 24—WRA picks Tule Lake as segregation center. First commencement exercises held; 206 seniors receive their sheepskins.
JULY 31—Min Yasui released from Multnomah County Jail. Hunt High School receives accreditation from Idaho State Department of Education. Ray Best formerly of Minidoka appointed Tule Lake Center director.

August 1943

AUGUST 1 Captain A. R. Martin, assistant Spanish consul visits here.
AUGUST 21—Staff Sgt. Paul Sakai comes home from North Africa.
AUGUST 28—Ten families and five single persons leave for New York to start three months journey to Japan. Construction of spud cellar in progress. "Back to school" and more book cramming slated for 1,101 students.

September 1943

SEPTEMBER 4—Third tragedy of Hunt strikes. Yosh Tamura, 21, victim of canal drowning. September 25 set for transferal of segregants. "This is America" a series of motion picture programs to stimulate interest in relocation begins.
SEPTEMBER 11—Minnie Hasegawa first girl from Hunt volunteers for WAC's. Art Koura, last volunteer leaves for Shelby.
SEPTEMBER 18—Tofu manufacture begins in Blk. 22 laundry room.

down on the first year of activities at Hunt. To those who gave their time unselfishly in constructing baseball fields and basketball courts, a large vote of thanks.

Hunt also takes it's hats off to the efficient Community Activities office for their splendid work.

Best wishes go to all athletes and sports lovers, young and old. Sport binds all in one feeling; a common denominator of interest; it keeps them alert and spirits young. To all athletes, remember that destiny lies ahead and not in the historic records of the past.

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A FRIEND

A FRIEND--the dictionary calls it--one who cherishes kind regard for another person



IN a swirling, blinding, choking dust storm, we arrived one day in a barren spot of land that was to be the Hunt of today, the home of some 9,000 evacuees from Oregon and Washington.

When we left the Oregon border, something tangible left us and in the dim recesses of our minds, the tang of the evergreens and the salty breath of the ocean seemed to breathe a caress of farewell in our faces and it was with a heart full of trepidation and excitement that we faced eastward—toward Idaho. Beneath our sooty faces something akin to fear raced through our minds. A feeling of being lost, friendless and homeless. It was a feeling we hope never to encounter again.

Then slowly, out of the desert land, through the unused barracks and across the dusty roads, phoenix-like the barren community began to move and vibrate propelled by the warm, alive breaths of a race of people strong enough to face the unknown.

Little by little, Idaho's eighth largest "city" began to stir and look about its surroundings, to begin to show interest in the community itself and the people and towns beyond the center limits.

Yet, it was that year, that taught us many things. The things we had taken for granted — freedom and friendships, for instance. In the hour of our need, when our minds and hearts were bruised and sore with the buffeting caused by the strange circumstances of war—newly found friends extended their hands courteously and in friendship. Not with that "I'm so sorry for you," expression, but as a friend and equal, for we did not want pity. And through their friendly overtures, something we had thought dead stirred with life again, vibrant and strong. That hard-to-write-or-say-something which all humanity needs—a strong rope in a terrible storm, a beacon guiding us home.

Little deeds, a casual "hello," an occasional heart-to-heart talk, a courteous gesture—and we knew that we had found friends again and our hearts began to take root again in the little ordinary deeds of the day. Deeds that are built into years of solidness—of belonging someplace, of being able to fill a need somewhere.

All over America as the people of Hunt are scattered as if by the four winds, that feeling persists and with our hearts strengthened by our friends and the will to help—we, too, shall have a part in the building of a better America.

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