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Hunt Has Hot Water As Boilermen Return

5-Point Recommendation Acceptable To Director, Maintenance Workers

Center residents suffering from lack of hot water found relief Monday night as boilermen in every block reported back to work with the acceptance by Project Director H. L. Stafford and the maintenance workers of a 5-point recommendation presented by the block delegates mediation committee.

The suggested recommendations accepted by Stafford and approved by unanimous vote by the representatives of the boilermen, janitors, and janitresses at a meeting held in the administration Rec. on Jan. 10 were as follows:

- (1) Retraction of the 24-hour schedule.
- (2) The working hour schedule for boilermen: Daily Schedule: from 6:30 a. m. to 1 p. m., from 4 p. m. to 10:30 p. m. Sunday schedule: from 8 a. m. to 1 p. m., from 4 p. m. to 9 p. m.
- (3) The working hour schedule for janitorial service: from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m.
- (4) All terminations resulting from the temporary suspension will be cancelled and all original employees to be returned.
- (5) All persons returning to work shall suffer no reduction in pay resulting from the temporary suspension of work.

The settlement was arrived at after various meetings between the administration officials, the mediation committee composed of 11 block delegates, and the maintenance workers involved.

The issue came to the head January 4 after janitorial workers, presented with the choice of working under the proposed 24-hour basis or resigning, preferred to hand in their terminations. From Jan. 4 fires in all the boiler rooms of the blocks were not lighted and hot water was cut off. The project water supply hit a critical stage when one of the pumps broke down. With the tanks nearly drained during Thursday and Friday when the faucets were kept running during the night to prevent freezing of the pipes, the situation became serious. On Saturday when the necessary repairs were made on the pump and laundry room stoves were fired during the night to eliminate the running taps, the situation was somewhat alleviated.

During this time, negotiations were being made with Assist. Project Director H. S. Davidson during the absence of the project director. Immediately upon the return of Director Stafford on Friday night a meeting was held at Stafford's office with representatives of the administration and the mediation group, at which the trouble was discussed. Stafford prepared a memo to the janitors asking them to inform him what they were willing to provide in the way of services with the previous force of 164 people.

Recommendations of the arbitration committee were revised and sent to Washington early the next morning. The committee decided to hold action in the deliverance of the memo to the workers until the reply to the teletype from Dillon S. Myer had been received. The teletype covered a brief outline of the situation and presented justifications on the stand of the workers in their request for the addition of two more workers for each block.

Director Myer's reply received that same day, Jan. 5, expressed his opinion that "any adjustment of the hours and conditions of work in the provision of janitorial services must be based upon the requirement of the WRA that a full day's work be provided for a full day's pay."

Myer stated that the WRA was fulfilling its obligations to the center and that "any adjustment in the number of personnel for the basis of a conscientious performance of work would result in reducing, rather than increasing, the staff."

"The actual problem which resulted in the suspension of work by the boilermen and janitors at the center can be settled only by the center administration and evacuees themselves and must be settled within the employment policy of the Authority, which calls for a 44-hour week for evacuee workers," Myer said.

At a final meeting of the project director with the arbitration committee, originally scheduled for Saturday morning, but held on Sunday afternoon at 4:30 in the administration rec., Stafford stated that the "option was wide open" for janitorial workers to work 44 hours or on the old schedule.

Clarification of the Jan. 7 memo from Stafford to the janitorial workers was made in a letter to H. Hatate, supervisor, and the janitor service workers, on Jan. 9 as follows: "Twenty-four hour

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Weather Report

	Max.	Min.
January 7	27	-2
January 8	22	4
January 9	27	4
January 10	28	-3
January 11	23	-5
January 12	32	11

FIVE NISEI GIRLS GLAD TO SERVE IN WAC



Trim and smiling in their WAC uniforms are Iris Watanabe, Bette Nishimura, Margaret Fukuoka, Frances Iritani, and Sue Ogata (left to right), five Japanese American girls now in training at Fort Des Moines.

A recent article by Lulu Mae Coe in the Des Moines Register featured five young nisei WACs who are now in training at Fort Des Moines, eager in the carrying out of their duty to prove their loyalty to their country. The five are Margaret Fukuoka, 24; Frances Iritani, 21; Iris Watanabe, 20; Bette Nishimura, 24; and Sue S. Ogata, 22. Three have a brother each in the army and another has a cousin in the service.

Private Fukuoka, a former beauty operator in Los Angeles, Calif., volunteered from the Manhattan relocation center, while the other recruit from a center is Private Watanabe of Granada where her mother is still residing. Two reasons Private Fukuoka gave for joining were, "I wanted to serve my country, I also thought that all Japanese Americans might find it easier to return to a normal way of life after the war, if we who can did our share during the war."

Fourth War Loan Drive Starts Today

Beginning Jan. 15 a concerted drive will be conducted on the project for the Fourth War Loan Drive, L. W. Folsom, acting personnel officer, announced this week.

The WRA was among the top purchasers of all the government agencies in the percentage of bonds bought during the Third War Loan Drive. Hunt made an exceptionally good showing, Folsom said. "We hope that this time we will top the other projects," Folsom added. "Our aim during this drive will be to have every member of the appointed staff buying bonds and buying them to the extent of 10 per cent."

With so many of the boys from Hunt now in the Armed forces, residents are also urged to participate in this drive, no matter how small their contribution may be.

Co-op stores and Co-op offices, 22-E & F, have war bonds and stamps on sale.

Since November 27, she has been taking her basic training at Fort Des Moines. Her brother Pvt. Arthur Monroe Fukuoka, volunteered in April and is now stationed at Camp Shelby, Miss. "I just felt I had to help in some way," she said. "If the other nisei girls could only know what a wonderful thing this Women's Army Corps of the United States is, I'm sure they would want to join up."

"Simply on pins and needles to learn her new order" Private Iritani of Denver, Colo., is first of the five to finish her basic training. She has a brother, Roy, who is now training at Camp Shelby. Previously Private Iritani was employed at an army coverall factory. She explained that in doing defense work she was perfectly free to do as she wanted at night while if she joined the WACs she felt she would be giving all she could. "I also thought my job at the defense plant would be open and maybe a girl from a relocation center could have it."

Soldier Writes White Hopes of Victory Year

(The following letter by a soldier dated January 1, was received by the Minidoka Parent-Soldiers Association.)

Dear Sir: New Year's Greetings! 1944... and Freedom's light shines bright as a symbol of hope and opportunity throughout the entire world. There is still work to be done before Victory... to be done before Victory, but the privilege of living in "the Land of the Free, the Home of the Brave" is beyond price, sacrifice or toil.

At this... the beginning of another New Year... let us all firmly resolve to do our full share toward making the day of Peace... toward making 1944 the Victory Year!

Very Sincerely,
PFC. GEORGE OTOGIRI
Det. Medical Dept.
Station Hospital, Cantonment Section
Medical Supply
Fl. 381, Oklahoma

Just beginning her basic training, Private Nishimura was formerly a sales clerk in a dry goods store in Rocky Ford, Colo., where her mother has lived for 40 years. Private Nishimura, who has a brother, Roy, John Nishimura, stationed at Camp Shelby, will be overseas quick as a wink if foreign service is possible. "I just had to join as soon as we were given a chance," said Private Ogata of LaSalle, Colo. "Joining the WACs seemed the best way I knew to help my country."

She had been a bookkeeper in an oil company in Greeley, Colo. Her cousin, Johnny Masuguchi, is stationed at Fort Sheridan, Ill. Reassignments and job analyses in all the departments, divisions and sections, Folsom said, is being carried out with the various heads to meet the set labor quota according to Acting Personnel Officer L. W. Folsom.

Divisions Meeting New Labor Quota

In line with the WRA budget for the first quarter of 1944, the Personnel Division is making adjustments in all the departments to meet the set quota according to Acting Personnel Officer L. W. Folsom.

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FUMIO YAGI VOLUNTEERS

Volunteering from Hunt this week was Fumio Yagi of 19-4-F. Yagi, a former Seattleite, is seeking service at Camp Savage.

Washington Merry-Go-Round Praises Nisei Soldiers Now Serving in Army

Japanese American soldiers were given a plug by Drew Pearson, nationally known columnist in his syndicated column "Washington Merry-Go-Round."

Says Pearson: "High executives of the war department are proud of the way in which Japanese American soldiers have responded to the call of American patriotism and done a good job in the Army."

"Enlisting American-born Japanese in the U. S. Army was frankly an experiment and many old-line officers were very skeptical. However, Under-Secretary of War Patterson and Assistant Secretary Jack McCloy insisted that they be given a chance. The performance of Japanese American troops in battle has more than justified this confidence in them. "Reports from Italy pay tribute to the bravery of one Japanese American battalion which was under heavy fire. Most of its men were recruited from Hawaii. They fought with great heroism and the casualty lists were very heavy."

Community Will Vote For Councilmen Soon

M. Satow Gives Series of Lectures

To establish and strengthen the work of the YMCA and also to encourage group work Masao Satow, member of the National Council of the YMCA, is visiting the project this week.

He is now making a tour of the nine relocation centers and of the various cities where evacuees have resettled. He is working to coordinate the activities of the YMCA, churches and the WRA offices to help the evacuees who are relocated.

Satow made speeches throughout the center, covering Areas A and B and the schools during the week. Tomorrow he will speak before the young people's Buddhist services at Rec. 35 at 9:30 a. m.

His speech will enumerate ways and means by which young Buddhists may be able to integrate themselves into normal American communities through the help of the churches. Immediately following he will speak at the Federated Christian services in Rec. 34 at 10:45 a. m. in the evening he will address a group of young people in S.H. 6 at the Area A Young People's "Candle-lighters" services.

Following his engagement here, Satow will leave next week for Heart Mountain where he will organize a leadership institute. From there he will leave for New York City to attend the National Board Meeting of the YMCA.

A graduate of UCLA and the Princeton Theological Seminary, Satow was Executive Secretary of the Japanese Branch of the Los Angeles YMCA prior to evacuation.

Frozen Foods Now Off Rationed List

Under the OPA's January list, most frozen fruits and vegetables as well as canned snap beans, will be sold point free, effective Sunday.

Exceptions are frozen corn, peas and lima beans, which retain their December point values; blueberries and huckleberries, six points instead of twelve.

Jams, preserves and non-citrus marmalades were raised from six to eight points a pound, while canned peas and tomatoes were reduced slightly.

After March 1, the perpetual hunt for the elusive empty tooth paste tube will be unnecessary. No empty tubes will be required to purchase toothpaste after that date.

Approval for Auto Exchange Arrives

Approval has arrived from Washington, D. C., for the exchange of older model vehicles here in camp for later model vehicles at various Army Ordnance Depots, according to word received from Col. Fiero, liaison officer, by R. S. Davidson, assistant project director in charge of operations.

Crews will be taken out to Fort Douglas, Boise, and other points to inspect the vehicles and to drive them back. The exchange will be started immediately.

Approximately 81 vehicles will be exchanged for 85 later model passenger cars, cargo trucks, pickups and stakes.

Block 1

Soldiers: Pvt. Arthur Toyold Hiroshima, Camp Shelby, Miss.; Sgt. Harry Katoaka, Camp Harey, Texas; Sgt. Kazuo Kizura, Camp Shelby, Miss.; Pfc. Frederick Matsuda, Camp Shelby, Miss.; Pfc. Nobuo Nakatani, c/o P. M. New York, N. Y.; Pvt. Frank Genshi Nishimura, Camp Savage, Minn.; Pvt. Tom Norisada, Camp Savage, Minn.; Pvt. Terry Takashi Ogawa, Camp Shelby, Miss.; Pvt. Akira Saito, Fort Riley, Kansas; Pvt. Mack Sato Shoji, Camp Shelby, Miss.

Through the efforts of the Parent-Soldier Association a new list of those who are serving in the armed services of this country, who have gone from this center or who have relatives here, has been compiled recently. Names on the Honor Board at present will be checked with this new list, and any omissions of names will be added to the Board. At present on the Board are 416 names of whom 204 are volunteers. The IRRHIGATOR will publish, by blocks, the names from the newly compiled list, beginning this week. Those whose names are missing from this list are requested to contact S. Hara, chairman, Parent-Soldier Association.

70 Delegates to Be Elected to Convention

In preparation for the election of a seven-man Community Council on the first Monday in February, as provided in the recently ratified Community Charter, the Block Delegates met Wednesday in Rec. 22 and elected seven men, one from each section, to the Election Committee.

This Election Committee was authorized by the delegates to decide on the date for the election of 70 delegates from each block for the nominating convention. The committee will also decide the date when the nominating convention will be held and formulate the rules for the election of the community council and block commissioners, according to Dick Kanyas, acting secretary.

At the nominating convention, delegates will nominate not less than 10 and not more than 21 candidates for the community council. Residents may give instructions to the nominees for the council to their respective delegates, according to the Code of organization as provided for in the charter. Seven men will be elected to the council. These delegates will be elected from their respective blocks from among qualified voters. Their function ceases after the nominating convention is over.

Those men elected to the Election committee are: Sec. I. Sada-hiko Ikoma; Sec. II. Yoshio Ura-kawa; Sec. III. Ken Yamada; Sec. IV. Shigeru Oosawa; Sec. V. Tamachi Yamada; Sec. VI. Yoshito Fujiki; Sec. VII. John Hayatsu.

Rohwer Helps Buy Three Army Jeeps

Three more jeeps may soon be bouncing over the rugged terrain of some far-off battlefield—and they'll be the contribution of Rohwer residents to Uncle Sam's armed forces. They were paid for by the purchase of \$3,508.95 worth of bonds and stamps sold at Rohwer during a recent bond drive conducted by school children.

Wanting to do "something" for the war effort, Rohwer children hit upon the idea of having a project-wide bond and stamp campaign. The drive began on November 15, under the sponsorship of the Rohwer chapter of the National Honor Society. A goal of \$1,165 was set—the price of one Army jeep. The campaign got off to an excellent start, with rallies, contests, and competition between students being held throughout the project. Two weeks later, students had sold \$2,507.95 in bonds, exceeding the original goal by 200 per cent. When the drive officially closed on December 3, students had sold enough bonds and stamps to buy THREE jeeps!

Of the total amount sold, administrative personnel bought \$2,537.20 worth of bonds and stamps, while \$968.75 worth were sold to students and center residents. As a result of the drive, 83 per cent of Rohwer's high school students now possess war stamp books.

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Nisei War Hero Comments

"We who have been through that hell, the stark and damned horror that is war, can tell the nisei without a punch that they, as a group, are not doing their part as an American, as a nisei, nor for that matter as a human being, in view of conscientious absolution of their responsibility."

I've just come from a talk with Sergeant Ben Kuroki of the U. S. Army Air Force, holder of the American Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters. Kuroki is just back from a year and a half of hectic overseas duty as turret gunner in a B-24. His sincere and pertinent answer to my questions left me no doubt that he meant every word he said.

He is no super-patriot or flag waver, this soldier of action. Escaping time and again from under the very shadow of death, he has formed his opinions. From the life and death crucible of the numerous air battles he has survived, comes his statements, culled of unessential, laying forth the stark, ugly truth. In the lull after the miraculous return from a flak-filled sky, there is time to think—time to realize that he was lucky this time but the next might be the last; then, that he is a nisei and that though he risks his life each day and by his actions the folks at home profit, at that very time when he is in the midst of a life-taking battle, others at home are dogging it, even tearing down what good he and the few others are trying to build up.

"How can we make the nisei appreciate what they have; to make them realize and see the truth that the privileges they enjoy, even though curtailed at the present to some extent, comparatively, is still worthy of a much greater effort. Though the discrimination is unjust and though realization of citizenship on equal terms with Anglo-Americans is not yet ours how can it be accomplished without some effort on our own part, something beyond the call of social and community good behavior; something such as this, that a few of us are now doing, sacrificing ourselves and interests so that something really worth-while is accomplished."

To those who think that volunteers are suckers, let him answer in his straight-forward manner: "I want everyone to know what a wonderful indescribable feeling it is to receive the sincere, heartfelt welcome that my fellow Americans have bestowed on me. It is a feeling impossible to put into words. Realizing you can carry your head high, no chip on your shoulder, and the acceptance by the people that you have discharged your duty without shirking, only then can one know the full heart-filling satisfaction; knowing that you have met the issue, and carrying through, find the approval of the public a just and worthy reward; knowing also that you have gained this by your own action and not through sympathy-seeking policies. The time is now, for action, for that move which will judge the destiny of the nisei in America. Only those who have seen other countries can realize that America is the only place that offers a great future and it is ours, ours to fight for."

Sergeant Kuroki is no different from the rest of us. He stands five feet six inches, a compact build, and under his straight, black thatch of hair you see a friendly, disarming grin and honest, keen eyes.

Graduate of Hershey, Nebraska, High School in 1936 and a basketball enthusiast, he too had much to lose with the outbreak of war. Through hard work and justly earned contacts, he had finally finished organizing a truck line which would have meant a fortune when the news of Pearl Harbor disrupted everything. Two days later he and his younger brother traveled 150 miles to volunteer. They were accepted a month later and Ben was sent to Sheppard Field for his training.—Editorial, Jim Yanari, Rocky Shimpco, Jan. 5.

The ROAD BACK

Chicago, Illinois.

Dear
Well, I've been here over two weeks, ...
... To get back to Chicago, it is an excellent place to relocate. I say that for more reasons than one. To enumerate a few of the many advantages, first the public opinion is most favorable. Nisei are accepted almost everywhere. Except for reports that I have heard about nisei being refused housing at certain places, I would hardly know that discrimination existed. It seems to me that more discrimination is carried on by nisei than by Caucasians.

The practice of holding all-nisei dances and our hesitancy in accepting invitations to mixed affairs such as church gatherings seem to indicate this. Fortunately, however, there are many nisei who take advantage of these means of making themselves known and who do their part in facilitating relocation for others who are to come later.

Another advantage of Chicago is the many opportunities for employment that it offers. The problem is not finding a job, but finding the best one. And if a person would try hard enough he is almost certain to find a good one.

Housing is still a problem, but it is not nearly as difficult as I expected it to be. That, too, is a matter of getting the best place. The WRA office has a large list of rooms that are available to Japanese but most of them are not very good. Nevertheless it is not an insurmountable problem.

The third reason that I like Chicago is the many things that it offers for spending one's spare time. I don't mean the movies, dances and other amusements which require money (although there are many of them, too) but the many museums, aquariums, libraries, etc., which are educational, interesting and inexpensive.

I am going to work soon, so I must close.

Sincerely,
H. O.

Dreams Come True In Gotham

(The following material is written by Miss Miwako Oana, formerly of the Heart Mountain Relocation Center. Miss Oana is now employed as an editorial assistant in the publications division of the national headquarters of the Presbyterian Church in New York City. While at Heart Mountain, Miss Oana was a staff writer for the project newspaper, the "Sentinel.")

Dreams come true in New York. Or, at least, with a little initiative, resourcefulness, patience, faith, spirit, and a hardy pair of shoes, dreams can come true in New York. Hundreds of evacuees now residing in this throbbing metropolis, fresh and wide-eyed from the seclusion and restriction of relocation centers, are realizing this.

There's Jimmy Tanaka, formerly with Walt Disney Studios in Hollywood and more recently from the Jerome center, who is on the staff of Manhattan's Famous Studios now, doing cartooning and animation work. Jimmy, on the side, is furthering his studies at the Art Students League. Also working at Famous Studios are three other well-known paint dabblers, Tom Inada from Tule Lake, Bob Kimura from Rohwer, and Gene Sogloka from Colorado River.

Taya Musashi, one-time secretary and court reporter from Poston, is now sitting behind a desk at Sloane House, one of New York's biggest Y. M. C. A.'s.

Engineers and craftsmen are also finding their place in the city. To mention only two, Loren Kitazono, recently from Heart Mountain, is now working for a firm of consulting engineers; and Sunao John Iwata, former Topazite, has found a position to his liking as architectural draftsman for a progressive firm in Time Square.

Among the few to undertake private business enterprise is Toki Tanaka from Granada, who has opened her own beauty shop. She is doing nicely, thank you, and has called her parents out to join herself and her sister, Mae, who was working in the office of the Hotel New Yorker.

George Karatuz and Bob Suzuki, both formerly of Granada, are now

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working as shipping clerks at the Methodist Church Board, while Kazuko Matsumoto from Minidoka, who came to New York after several months in Chicago, is now advancing her career in the offices of the Baptist Board of the U. S. A.

Newcomers to the city are greeted in the WRA office by four personable young nisei, Kathleen Isert and Ruth Takahara, once-upon-a-time residents of Gila, Chiriquito and Minidoka, and Miwako Yamamoto of Colorado River, to whom working in the world-famous Empire State Building has become a reality.

Seamstresses are finding choice jobs at their fingertips, with Masa Ohno of Heart Mountain holding an enviable place at Jay Thorpe's. Reports of several others hired by well-known firms are now coming through. Masa's sister, Sachi, is working at the Mt. Sinai Hospital.

Dreams of college are also coming true in New York for a number of students, among them Chiyeo Fukuoka of Topaz, who is now majoring in constructive design at Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, where she was recently elected vice-president of a class of fifty girls and has been a member of the championship intramural volleyball team; Johnny Yoshinaga of Jerome, who is studying art also at Pratt while awaiting his army induction papers; and John Takouchi from Topaz, student of architecture at New York University.

All dreams may not come true in New York, but more than any other city, it seems to hold the greatest possibilities. Little "success stories" are springing up daily in the shade of its giant skyscrapers.

Des Moines Daily Comments On Board Resolution

Many persons who profess to speak for all Californians, including, of course, the rabid Hearst press, have raised the banner of indiscriminating hate against everybody of Japanese ancestry. The fact that Americans of Japanese ancestry are both working and fighting loyally for Uncle Sam means nothing to them. Specifically, they are agitating now against permitting any who were evacuated from California because of Japanese ancestry, to return to that state after the war is over.

Obviously economic and other selfish motives are involved in this attitude, as well as super-heated emotional war fervor.

But not all Californians are like that, by any means.

Against those who are just so passionate that they can't think, plus those who see a chance to grind an economic axe on the spinning stone of patriotism, there stand many eminent Californians. Some of them, for instance, acted early to set up the Pacific Coast Committee on American Principles and Fair Play. Robert Gordon Sprout is honorary chairman of this committee. Among its members—merely to name a few—are men like Ray Lyman Wilbur, Chester H. Rowell, Robert A. Millikan, Henry F. Grady and Paul S. Taylor.

Within the field of the press, the San Francisco Chronicle is one that opposes unbalanced, un-American "hate reactions."

The general attitude of all these and others toward the agitation to treat all Californians of Japanese ancestry as pariahs permanently is illustrated by this resolution, recently adopted at a meeting of the California State Board of Agriculture.

"WHEREAS, it will be the responsibility of military authorities to determine the duration of that period of military necessity on the ground of which they decided early in 1942 to evacuate persons of Japanese ancestry from the Pacific Coast.

"THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that as of and when the military authorities shall decide that military necessity no longer requires that persons of Japanese ancestry shall be excluded from this State, the California State Board of Agriculture in the light of that decision will use its influence to assure that race prejudice shall not be a factor in the determination of the rights of citizens.

"That experience ought to have taught a thing or two about the rights of citizens. Apparently, however, some Californians still think the rights of citizens apply only to citizens who happen to be here. One realistic member of the State Board of Agriculture was A. J. McFadden of Santa Ana. He did not vote on the resolution, saying that while he did not care for the Japanese he did not believe we can afford to abridge the rights of any racial group of citizens. No telling who might come next."

We are not interested in either the internal politics or (at the moment) the economic axe-grindings of Californians. What we are interested in, along with the San Francisco Chronicle, is the national problem of the application of our constitutional guarantees in all the states, INCLUDING California.

We applaud the attitude of the Pacific Coast Committee on American Principles and Fair Play. We consider the resolution adopted at the California Board of Agriculture's meeting a good one, which is simply beyond attack by one who considers our Constitution other than a scrap of paper.

And we think that the significant thing is not whether some of the rabid patrioters froth at the mouth about it, but rather the fact that here are forces of sanity and fairness in California strong enough to give such resolutions impetus.—Editorial, Des Moines Register, Jan. 2.

Last Year About This Time

January 9, 1943—Near certainty of the reunion of internee families was indicated by Dillon S. Myer, National Director of the WRA, in a letter from him received here this week, which disclosed the Department of Justice is now constructing a camp for them.

January 9, 1943—With its chief aim to carry on a program similar to the USO to entertain service men on furloughs, a club called the "Servicers" was recently formed.

January 13, 1943—With the arrival Saturday of Mary J. Mueller, assistant chief translator for the Federal Communications Commission at Washington, D. C., to interview and test Hunt applicants for the Foreign Broadcast Intelligence Service, more facts concerning the openings at Portland, Oregon, were made known.

January 13, 1943—Inauguration of a regular bus service between Hunt and Twin Falls is set for January 18, it was announced here early this week.

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New Year's always reminds us of mochi and the preparation of that essential ingredient to a complete celebration.

And it also reminds us of Mac-san, who used to call "mochit-suki," "chonk chonk."

Mac-san is an Irishman, typical of all our lives, and he's a sort of second father to us. He's lived with us as long as we can remember, renting a room everywhere we moved.

People always ask why we call him Mac-san. It's taken from the Mc in McDonald, and "san," of course, is just a Japanese suffix of respect.

We love him because he's good, he's understanding, and because he is a great storyteller. We would sit by the hours, listening to him talk about his life—sixty-nine glorious, rich years of it—a rugged, simple but wildly adventurous Steinbeck novel.

Any time of the day, when we had free time, we would go and visit him. We'd sit by his stove and listen enthralled at his tales. From how he ran away from home when he was fifteen because of his stepmother, how he saw the world, how he worked and sweated and saved, only to lose his money in a bank failure. The innumerable times he cheated death, the gold rush, his part in the taming of the west, waterfront tales, steaming cableboats and covered wagons, outlaws, pure mountain air and murky mines. Truly a throbbing novel, and every bit as true as the infinite faith we have in him.

He belongs to that group of pioneers and real men who made the West. And like the hundreds of others like him lives obscurely and unrecognized in a hotel on Weller Street in Seattle. His back is bent and his hair is white, but the gay, kind, and wise twinkle in his eyes, the product of years of rich living, real living, not dollars and cents.

He has brushed shoulders with Death several times. He has lived the rugged life of a cowboy, miner, longshoreman, and in one sense, an adventurer, and a soldier-of-fortune.

He spent hundreds of dollars trying to find his relatives, but couldn't bring together the two ends of the string broken in his early childhood. His family had settled in Idaho the last time he heard of them, and everytime we go out to Twin Falls, or Jerome, or any of the neighboring towns, we keep having a feeling that that man sitting next to us on the lunch counter, or that woman fingering the same material could or might be some relation to Mac-san.

Everybody he meets is his friend. He's that kind of a man. Nobody could resist that friendly and famous Irish twinkle in his eyes. He loves nature. Good, solid Mulligan stew is his passion. He devours books. He can't resist a friendless mongrel. He loves the sea and railways that spelled his life when he was a carefree, foot-loose young man. He holds no prejudices. He holds utter faith in good Providence. He believes in accepting the bad along with the good in life. He demands nothing from life. He believes in the philosophy that tyrants may wage the bloody wars, and the earth may become smoky with cries of hate and evil, but the sun still rises in the east and sets in the west, and the seasons come and go ... that some day right will triumph and peace and permanent spring will come.

Evacuation took us away from him. He lives a simple life now with only his memories, and his friends, plus one best friend in Mr. Sam Romels. And his friends include the whole world. He asks for nothing more.

I write of Mac-san because he has been a profound influence in our lives. He has convinced us that life has much to offer. Things he has told and taught us in those fireside reminiscings while crunching sugar cookies are things we will remember for the rest of our lives. To us he is the symbol of all that's good in the world.

Patrick Austin McDonald of 657 Weller Street, is his full name and address, but we remember him only as Mac-san, our advisor and inspiration.

Some day I want to write a book about him ... some day ... m. y.

... My Wishes for a Happier New Year" --Elsa Maxwell

Elsa Maxwell devoted her entire column "Party Line," which appears in the New York Post to persons of Japanese ancestry under the heading of "The Starry Heaven," recently.

Says Miss Maxwell: Recently a friend of mine, whose early life was spent in Japan where her father served in the British consulate, spoke a few words of greeting in Japanese to a woman she met in a neighborhood grocery. Turning the woman looked at her blankly. My friend thinking she had made what for her was a most unusual error, said humbly, "I beg your pardon—I thought you were Japanese."

"I am Japanese," the woman smiling, replied in perfect English.

ENCORE

(Showing fairness and American common sense, two letters were published in the Voice of the People column in the Seattle P. I. on January 8. They are reprinted here to prove that there are still broadminded fact-seekers on the West Coast.—Ed. note.)

To The Post-Intelligencer:

On January 4, I discovered a letter written, evidently in good faith, calling on all "good" Americans to refuse Americans of Japanese descent the right to assume residence in which locality they may choose. The fact that this letter was signed "Bereaved American," explains a bitterness which is forgivable.

It would seem more fitting if, instead of fostering racial hatred against the Japanese, this bitterness was directed to help win the peace instead of destroying it.

This "American" has several mistaken "facts" which it might be well to correct. "Oriental vermin" are the only people who have made a go of it in these "fertile valleys." And, incidentally, might not Americans of Chinese descent fall under the heading of "Oriental vermin"? Merely because a man's skin happens to be yellow does not mean that he is inferior to the whites or even foul and treacherous and cruel. We might remember that one of our valiant regiments in Italy which are fighting the Nazi is a Japanese one.

It was in 1931 that the German people were entertained with the most scientific rable-rousing the world had ever seen, only the persecuted people there were Jews.

DENTON RICKEY MOORE,
328 S. Lafayette, Bremerton.

To The Post-Intelligencer:

"Bereaved American," who in a letter to the Voice of the People in the January 4 issue denounces those of Japanese ancestry in America, should read the daily newspapers for on that date, in Drew Pearson's excellent and informative "Washington Merry-Go-Round," there was given high praise by topmost officials of the war department of the bravery and heroism under heavy fire of Americans of Japanese ancestry.

ALBERT D. BONUS,
Seattle, Washington.

Some Chinese actors in Hollywood refused to play Japanese parts in atrocity pictures and the reason is the most interesting.

It's not out of resentment against the Japanese, but out of the very practical fear that Japanese atrocity pictures will increase race prejudice against ALL people of the so-called yellow race.

Smart, these Chinese.
—Editorial, Des Moines Register, Jan. 2.

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Regular No. 2:			Jerome	6:10	
Twin Falls	7:45		HUNT	6:40	
HUNT	8:20	8:30	Jerome	7:10	
Shoshone	9:25	9:30	Twin Falls	7:10	
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Twin Falls	11:10		Twin Falls	7:30	
			Jerome	8:00	
Regular No. 3:			HUNT	8:30	
Twin Falls	9:00		Twin Falls	9:10	
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Twin Falls	12:00				

BUS STOP is at the gate.
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Evacu-Ways

TOPAZ TIMES—Utah

Gymnasium hall dedication services held... Topaz Art School Teachers and Students Association hold art exhibit... Casaba League plans now being formulated... 3,000 jam auditorium at Co-op sponsored party on Christmas Day... Girl reserves of Ohio and Illinois send gifts and cards to local Girl Reserves.

HEART MT. SENTINEL—Wyo.

Sixty members of the police department volunteer as blood donors... "Here We Go Again" and "Only Angels Have Wings" now showing at Dawn and Pagoda theatres... Local basketball quintet play host to neighboring Shoshoni five... Short circuit starts blaze in recreation hall... Plans formulated for Heart Mountain's participation in the fourth war loan drive.

ROWHER OUTPOST—Ark.

A special 14 page New Year edition printed... "Falcon's Brother," "Hudson Bay" and "Who Done It" this week's movie... Lil Dan's magazine, history in cartoon of Rowher printed... Girls' All-Star basketball team to play outside teams.

GRANADA PIONEER—Colo.

Special Christmas and New Year editions printed... Scouts hold year end barbecue... Residents assured of sufficient supply of onions for next several months... "It Started With Eve" and "Everything Happens At Night" showing at theatres... Hides from 40 cattle butchered at center slaughterhouse sold to Lamar Hide Company.

GILA NEWS COURIER—Ariz.

Six barracks serving as warehouses destroyed by fire which is believed to have started from kerosene stove... Co-op store for personnel members established... Canal High School's annual "Rivulet" now on sale... 1,915 out on indefinite leaves... Butte PTA membership drive nets \$213... Additional 130 acres of land near the dairy being converted into pasture land.

POSTON CHRONICLE—Ariz.

Unit III council asks for police uniforms... 43 candidates take Civil Service exams... Establishment of a sanitarium for aged and honorably ill people planned... Dedication ceremony of Unit I Elementary School Buildings held.

Covering HUNT NEWS

In Brief

Checks for the refund of the Certificates of Indebtedness (bonds) together with the interest, are now being prepared for distribution to all Certificate holders by January 20, 1944, reported Shosuke Saasaki, executive secretary of the Co-op, this week.

It will be necessary for the holders of the Certificate of Indebtedness to surrender their certificates to the block delegates at the time they receive the check.

Featuring Issei talent in the center, the Fukiyose will make a camp-wide tour beginning Monday, January 17, through Sunday, January 23. The schedule is as follows: Jan. 17, D.H. 1; Jan. 18, D.H. 7; Jan. 19, D.H. 15; Jan. 20, D.H. 21; Jan. 21, D.H. 32; Jan. 22, D.H. 38; Jan. 23, D.H. 44.

The regular quarterly meeting of the Congress of Delegates of the local Co-op will be held January 21, 1944, according to Shosuke Saasaki, executive secretary.

Starting at 1:30 p. m., the meeting will be held at Rec. 22.

The first bus leaving Hunt for Twin Falls leaves at 8:15 a. m., and the bus leaving for Shoshone leaves at 8:30 a. m., each day, residents were reminded this week. Both buses depart on time from the main gate.

Originally scheduled for January 14, 15, and 16, the Handicraft Exhibit has been postponed to January 21, 22, and 23. Rec. 12 will be opened to the public on Friday from 6:30 to 8:30 p. m., and on Saturday and Sunday from 1:00 to 5:00 p. m., and 6:30 to 8:30 p. m.

Minari Doi, a '28 Engineering graduate from the University of Washington, passed away on January 6, 1944, at the St. Anthony Hospital in Pendleton, Oregon, after a brief sickness which developed into pneumonia. He and his family had moved to Pendleton, Oregon, prior to the evacuation order given in Seattle.

In order for the parents of the high school students to become better acquainted with the principal, superintendent, and the teaching staff, the Hunt high school held an open house last night from 7:30 to 10:00 p. m.

DEATHS: T. O. Kametaro, 77, 10-7-D, January 8. HIRAO, Alice, 18, 13-9-B, January 9. YAMANAKA, Yasukichiro, 67, 38-10-C, January 10.

High School Plans Gala "Mardi Gras"

With the high school campus transformed into a carnival atmosphere, the "Winter Mardi Gras" sponsored by the student body of Hunt high school will be making a two-night stand starting January 21 at 8:30 p. m.

Besides the usual eats and concessions, "Snowball," the cream of Hunt Hi's talents will be lined up on Friday night for a full hour's entertainment. Heading Saturday night's marquee is the "Wintrix" a mammoth two dining hall dance.

Reigning over the "Winter Mardi Gras" will be Miss Mardi Gras of 1944.

To top this gigantic event will be the Mardi Gras raffle. The prizes for this raffle will be two different free passes for two people to go to Twin Falls on the date of their choice plus five dollars each in cash. In addition to these two prizes there will be eight lesser prizes offered.

Bunzo Nakagawa, chairman, guarantees everyone who attends "the time of his life" at the high school "WINTER MARDI GRAS."

"Sweetheart Swing" Promises Big Night

The biggest and best thing to hit camp... Bk. 32's coming Valentine dance.

Upholding their tradition of handling successful dances with "superb" refreshments, the Tootie Fruitie Thirty-Twoites announced this week their S W E E T - H E A R T S SWING to be held on Saturday evening, Feb. 12 from 8 to 12 p. m.

All dance-lovers are urged to purchase their bids from any Tootie Fruitie member immediately for there is only a limited number for this grand affair. The dance will be strictly couples only.

Speculations... of the staff

I often wonder if more than just a few people have as their special gripe the "convoy smoker," who, to keep himself warm in the morning puffs away on his pipe or cigarette day in and day out completely oblivious of his fellow riders who quietly suffocate in the fumes.

One of the most thrilling sights that I have seen since I have been allowed to trudge along the frozen tracks of Minidoka was the billowing black smoke from the 35 boiler chimneys, that suddenly came to life Monday evening.

Blending into the brilliant blue and white of the skies, we used to glance into the black haze that soon blotted out the horizon, and nonchalantly walked on. Not this time. Black smoke fed by lignite, spilling out in ebony letters, hot water!

Riding on convoys has its ups and downs. After waiting in Bk. 22 for endless minutes, stamping in the icy wind to keep up our circulation and our morale, we sight a truck stopping for us with a condescending air. We pile on and after being rattled around like the wash in the old washing machine, we reach our destination. One got off, then I followed.

It's not until you haven't got it that you miss it—and missing it, the deater it becomes. This was brought home to the center residents during last week's hot water-less days.

After a few days of gingerly attempts to wash oneself in shockingly cold water, people began saying with a reminiscent sigh, "What I couldn't do with a piping hot shower right now."

Bathing became a luxury, not a necessary routine, and Monday night when the hot water steamed out of the taps, the shower rooms became the most popular place in camp.

Not only last week's incident but continually this center life is teaching us—pounding it into us—the value of living on the outside that heretofore we had completely taken for granted. So when we resume that normal living, undoubtedly we'll appreciate it to the fullest.

Cherry Tanaka.

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Mystery of '12-28' Finally Revealed

Unveiling of the mystifying "12-28" comes with the announcement of an elite, never before revealed affair, "CUPICADE" slated for February 12 from 8 p. m. to 11:30 p. m. by the ever-active Bk. 28 sponsors.

Spectacular in its originality, the couples only affair will have as one of its attractions, bills, a stage show featuring top-flight center talent. Other surprises, both entertaining and "refreshing" are in store at "28 Rendezvous" for bid-holders.

Expected to sell out double fast, a limited number of bids will be on sale next Monday for the standard co-sponsorship prices.

Amatasu-Iwasaki Betrothal Told

The engagement of Miss Yoneko Amatasu to Osamu Iwasaki of Denver, Colorado, was announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Y. Amatasu of 44-12-C Sunday, January 9.

The wedding is to be held soon, it was revealed.

"Birthday Balls" Stated at D. H. 1, 14

Following the holidays, the Bk. 1 Young People's Club billed the "PRESIDENT'S BALL" on Saturday, January 29, at D. H. 1. With refreshments on the bill, the evening of dancing will begin from 7:30 and last till 12 midnight. Bids are available from any of the members of the club or at Rec. 12.

In step with other block sponsors the Bk. 14 Young People's club is scheduling a "PRESIDENT'S BIRTHDAY BALL" for Saturday, Jan. 29 in D. H. 14. The evening of dancing is to begin at 7 p. m. and bids for the affair will be available from any member of the Bk. 14 club. The dance is to be a strictly couples only affair.

A potluck farewell lunch for Sonoko Matsuo and May Date was given last Wednesday afternoon at the ad area. Girls who attended the party besides the honored guests were: Jane Suguro, Mary Shimizu, Ai Handa, Fumiko Yabe, Mazy Fukiyagi, and Jeanne Kanano.

Sonoko is planning to relocate to Kansas City, Missouri while May is relocating to Spokane.

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Second Sweetheart Contest Announced

Sgt. Sakai Weds Minneapolis Girl

Word was received here this week of the marriage on January 2 of Sgt. Paul Sakai, son of Mrs. S. Sakai, 7-6-A, to Miss Marie Olson of Alexander, Minnesota, at the University Baptist Church on the University of Minnesota Campus.

With members of the families and close friends of the couple in attendance, the ceremonies were read by the Rev. George C. Fetter. The bride was attended by Ellen Olson, sister, and the best man was Pfc. John Matsuo, brother-in-law of the groom.

Solos were rendered by Miss Irene Ehre with Mrs. Hoashiye Yamada accompanying on the piano. Sgt. Sakai is stationed at Camp Savage at the present time.

"Spotlight" Chosen Movie Hall Name

"SPOTLIGHT" the prize-winning title, will henceforth be used to refer to Movie Hall 34, it was announced by Community Activities Division as the results of the naming contests were determined this week.

The winning name is a derivation of the following letters of the following locations from which the Hunt populace is composed: Seattle, Portland, Olympia, Tacoma, Longview, Independence, Gresham, Hood River, and Troutdale.

The anonymous winner is requested to reveal his identity by claiming his prize of two 1-month passes at the Area B Office in Rec. 31.

Second prize winner was "Pop-eye" Tanaka, with Shunji Ito copying the third.

Individual Clubs Sponsor Candidates; Petitions To Be Filed; Age Limit Set at 16-25

The quest is on again!! Endowed with all the queenly qualities, poise, personality, beauty, graciousness, all that would make up the fit representative of the typical Hunt girl, the quest for the "Sweetheart of Minidoka" in the Second Annual Sweetheart Contest will swing into official action today!!

Sponsored jointly by the Community Activities and the IRRIGATOR, the Sweetheart will be chosen by popular vote, instead of judges as last year.

Block queens will not be chosen, but the various candidates will be sponsored by recognized organizations through petitions. Petitions must carry at least fifty names and must be turned in to the main CA office in 22-11-C by Friday noon, January 21. The petitions which will be furnished by the individual clubs must carry the following information: name, height, age, address, and sponsor.

The qualifications for the sweetheart have been listed as two: she must be a resident of the center, and from 16 to 25 years of age. Elaborating on the age limit, the rule of 16 to 25 years of age as of Feb. 14 must be observed.

Heated campaigns and rallies for their respective queens by the different organizations are expected to start early next week and continue till the last ballot is cast.

After careful observation of the qualities of each candidate, the entire center will vote on the girls on January 30, in the primary elections. The top seven will be designated as the court, out of which one will be elected the Sweetheart.

Final election date has been tabbed as Feb. 7. The Sweetheart will be announced in the Feb. 12 issue of the IRRIGATOR.

Four dances, two in each area, co-sponsored by the Community Activities and the block club will be held for the Sweetheart and the Court to visit on their entourage.

The entire staff threatens to top last year's heavily congested competition with the addition of rallies and more preparation plus the new system of popular vote by ballot. Candidates of livewire clubs are expected to pour in early next week.

Last year's winner was Sweetheart Ise Inuzuka (now Mrs. George Anzmann), Bk. 32, and her court of Kiyoko Kumagai, Bk. 2, Misao Hayaahida, Bk. 7, Mary Jane Kinoshita, Bk. 16, Mary Hidaka, Bk. 21, Chick Ishihara, Bk. 36, and Mona Saito, Bk. 39.

The Ten Thousand

To start the New Year, the Young People of Bk. 36 held a get-together last Sunday night in D.H. 36 with approximately 50 members present. Games and refreshments were enjoyed by those who attended the social.

Later in the evening the doors were opened for a stag staggette dance.

Issei women in Area A will honor their handicraft teachers at a tea to be held on Saturday, January 15, in Social Hall 6 from 2 to 4 p. m. All members are cordially welcomed to attend. A small charge will be made to defray the cost of refreshments. A program is also being planned.

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The "Billion Dollar Ballroom," D.H. 24, will sponsor a Stag and Staggette dance on Tuesday, January 18, from 7:30 to 11:30 p. m. The stags will be charged 10 cents to defray expenses while the staggettes will be admitted free. Every "rug-cutter" is welcomed.

With T/5 Tosh Noma and T/3 Victor Izui of Camp Shelby as honored guests, a farewell was held Thursday evening at D. H. 6 by the Bk. 6 Young People's Club. The evening of games, refreshments and dancing was enjoyed by a group of some 50 people.

Feting Cpl. Joseph Nakatsu and Pvt. Mac Nishimoto, the Bk. 26 Young People's Club was sponsor of a gay party Sunday night in Social Hall 28. Dancing and refreshments were on tab for the evening.

A farewell party in honor of Lily Shitama, Kaz Shitama and Mae Kinugi was given by the Bk. 2 Young People's Club last Sunday evening in D. H. 2. Invited to attend the party was the Young People's Club of Bk. 6. Approximately 75 persons enjoyed an evening of games, refreshments and dancing.

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"MY FAVORITE BLONDE," a hilarious comedy starring Bob Hope and blonde Madeleine Carroll.

"HIT THE ICE," starring Abbott and Costello, Ginny Simms and Johnny Long's orchestra. You're in for a sleigh ride of laughs. The boys go from chasing girls to chasing gangsters.

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Weekly Social Calendar

Jan. 14. Stag-Staggette Dance sponsored by Bk. 13 at D. H. 2.

Jan. 15. 30 Dokan's "Second Nighter" Dance at D. H. 30.

Jan. 16. Mah Jong Tournament at Rec. 29 from 1:00 to 10:00 p. m.

Jan. 17 to Jan. 23. Handicraft Exhibit from 6:30 to 9:30 p. m. at Rec. 12.

Jan. 18. Bk. 24, Stag-Staggette Dance in D. H. 24.

Jan. 22 and Jan. 23. Handicraft Exhibit from 1 to 5 p. m. and 6:30 to 8:30 p. m.

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IRRIGATOR Sports

B Table Tennis Tournament Registration Underway

Record-Breaking Registrants Expected To Participate in Jan. 24 Opening

Boys and girls paddle smashers of Area B will be polishing up their fore and backhand slams and chops throughout the week in preparation for the coming four-day Area B Table Tennis Tournament, starting Monday, January 24 it was revealed by Stogie Toki, area official.

With registration of a record-breaking number of entrants already set for the opening gun, Toki said that late registrants may still sign up for the deadline which has been set for Jan. 24, Monday.

Due to the lengthy B area, the tournament will inaugurate the sectional qualifying rounds tourney and final winners of each section will meet in an upper bracket for the championship. The opening nights will send all sectional entries opposing and the first four placers in the sectional tourney will advance into the finals. Sections will be divided according to the new Area B set-up that was originated a few months ago: Sec. I: Bks 21-28; Sec. II: Bks 29-34; Sec. III: Bks 35-39; and Sec. IV: Bks 40-44.

The sectional playoffs will be a single elimination tourney and the final four winners of each division, the Girls' Unlimited and Boys' Unlimited classes, in the respective section will play a double elimination advanced tournament to determine the champions.

All equipment for the tourney will be furnished by the Area B Rec. office.

Fosters in each Area B block designating the rules and regulations for the tourney are hung up in the D.H.'s and sign-ups should be made in the space provided.

Definite schedules for the opening round and prizes for the winners will be announced at a later date.

VISITORS

SOLDIERS:

ARKANSAS:
Camp Robinson: Pvt. George Y. Mihara.

MISSISSIPPI:
Camp Shelby: Pvt. Ted Watanabe, Pvt. Mac M. Nishimoto, Pvt. Shiroki Nezu.

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By Ace

ole man winter . . . really "bottlenecked" the camp's athletic program with a sudden heavy snowfall a week ago . . . basketball, which was really getting in the groove, some football and what little softball sure bowled out of the picture of sports fast . . . natural ice ponds now are drawing the skating lovers in to the limelight . . . by the way, just inquisitively asking, how are the chances of organizing an ice hockey league of some sort ? ? ? it should prove very interesting to the sports public since no attempt has been made of it and something new could be added . . .

this coming . . . table tennis tournament in Area B should reveal some real unknown talents . . . with so many younger-aged lads and lassies completely dominating the block's tennis tables, day and night throughout the camp, surely, there must be a few hidden paddle stars . . .

hats off . . . to the Area B high-powered Rec. staff . . . although understaffed, you gals and guys have really put the ball aroilin' in the sports and social world . . . keep it up, fellas ! ! !

turning back the . . . pages to the sports section of our former coast cities, we take notice of many of our sports-minded friends dotting the starting lines of many colleges and universities . . . with so many top-ranking stars in the armed forces, all schools are continuing their athletic schedules with 4-F's, 17-year olds, and some navy trainees . . .

drawing the human eye of many of us nisei, we vision two former Chinese coast stars sparking both of their teams . . . one, Seattle's read about Al Mar, former Garfield class mate, sparking the University of Washington "civilian" squad . . . remember the good ole' days when some of the nisei casaba tossers opposed him in the Class "AA" Courier League . . . two, on the Oregon State College roster holding down a first string guard position is diminutive Fred "Happy" Lee. Astoria all-stater . . . many Portland boys can well review the summer canner seasons, when they went to work down at Astoria, where they chummed around and in the spare time scrimmaged with him on the hoop court . . . home-sickening, eh ? ? ?

CHURCH SERVICES

SHINSHU BUDDHIST

ST. SHINRAN'S ANNUAL HOONKO SERVICE: Sat. at Rec. Hall 36 from 7:30 to 10:00 p. m. Sun. at Rec. Hall 13 from 7:30 to 10:00 p. m. **SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Sun. at Rec. Hall 13 from 11:00 to 11:45 p. m. **YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEVOTIONAL SERVICE:** Sun. at Rec. Hall 13 from 10:00 to 11:00 a. m. All services will be conducted by Rev. H. E. Heras.

UNITED BUDDHIST

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEVOTIONAL: (9:30-10:30 a. m.) Sun. Huntville School Barrack 10, Rev. Sugimoto; Rec. 28, Rev. Arakawa; Rec. 35, Rev. Terakawa. **SUNDAY SCHOOL:** (10:30-11:30 a. m.) Huntville School Barrack 10, Rev. Sugimoto; Rec. 28, Rev. Arakawa; Rec. 35, Rev. Terakawa. **ADULT MEETING:** (2-3 p. m.) Huntville School barrack 10, Rev. Sugimoto; Rec. 28, Rev. Arakawa; Rec. 35, Rev. Terakawa.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

EAST END: Sunday, at 32-12, 9:30 a. m. Holy Eucharist with sermon by Father J. M. Kitagawa. **CHURCH SCHOOL:** 10:30 a. m. **WEST END:** Rec. 10, 8 a. m. Holy Eucharist with sermon by Father J. M. Kitagawa. **CHURCH SCHOOL:** 10:45 a. m.

CATHOLIC CHURCH

SUNDAY: Mass, 8 a. m., Rec. 22, Benedictine, 7:20 p. m., Catholic Church Library. **MONDAY:** Queen of Martyrs, 2 p. m., Catholic Church Library, Vincentians, 7:30 p. m., Catholic Church Library. **FRIDAY:** Study Club, 7:30 p. m., Catholic Church Library. **SATURDAY:** Confessions, 3 and 7 p. m., Catholic Church Library. **DAILY MASS:** 7 a. m., Catholic Church Library.

FEDERATED CHRISTIAN

NISEI WORSHIP SERVICE: 10:45 a. m. Rec. 8, Hiroto Zakoji. **Report from Wooster:** Rec. 34, Masao Satow, National YMCA Secretary. **EVENING FELLOWSHIP:** 7 a. m., Rec. 6, Masao Satow; Rec. 36, Hiroto Zakoji.

Boilermen

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service as a necessary janitorial duty was conceived as result of the vice as a necessary janitorial duty was conceived as a result of the fire in Bk. 23. This point of view setting up the safeguarding of government property beyond the period of operation necessary to maintain hot water is retracted so far as janitorial service in concerned and is recognized as an administration responsibility to be treated separately.

The janitorial service has the option to change their schedules from the previous customs practiced or they may return to work in accordance with the December schedules provided that such old system of hours and practice is consistent with the 44-hour week provisions of Director Myer's tele-type dated Jan. 8, 1944.

At a meeting of the workers' representatives and the mediation committee which lasted through almost the entire day of Jan. 10, the recommendations of the latter group were presented and the fact that the stove maintenance in laundry and shower rooms would be separated and apart from the janitorial service was brought out.

The workers unanimously voted to accept the recommendations and go back on the job that evening. No decision was made as to the placing of the responsibility on any group for the firing of the laundry room stoves.

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Country Clubhouse in Chicago Transformed into Chicken-houses

The old clubhouse of the Arlington Country Club on the north side of Dundee Rd. between Wheeling and Arlington Heights Rd. has undergone changes since the days when knickered gentlemen roamed the lobby and lounges and dined with their ladies in the great hall, so says the Chicago Daily News.

Most of the lounges and the hall to say nothing of the downstairs locker rooms, are filled with chickens—20,000 of them.

Other rooms upstairs and on the main floor have been remodeled into apartments and are now occupied by Japanese Americans who came here from Tule Lake under the relocation program of the WRA.

A visitor mounting the steps of the south portico is welcomed by a personable girl of Japanese extraction who says more politely than most receptionists: "Good morning. May I help you, please?"

In a jiffy out comes the foreman of the place, a man of slight build, who welcomes you with a smile and practically hands you the key to the institution—which is, incidentally, a poultry house sponsored by the Curtis Candy Co.

The man is Harry Makino, American born and a former truck farmer in California, where he operated 325 acres before being sent to the Tule Lake relocation center. The receptionist is Harry's wife, whom he met and married at camp and who comes from Washington state.

"We have 20 Japanese Americans living here now," Harry tells you. "All except the young children work in the poultry plant. Two of the children go to nearby Buffalo Grove School and they are having the time of their lives there; they are enjoying every minute of it."

The adults, Harry said, like it here, too. But some of them are still dazed at all that has happened to them.

"We're all a little dazed at the things that have been happening to us—the way we are being sent around the country. But it cer-

RELOCATION OPPORTUNITIES

IDAHO:
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Boise: Fry cook for Owyhee Hotel. \$200 per month, 9 hrs a day, 6 days per week with board.
Boise: Cook-chef for Hillcrest Country Club. \$150 to \$200 per month with board.

BURLEY: Burley Bulletin wants a young man with job-printing experience. Wages are 75c an hr., 48-hr. week. Employer, Mr. Devorshak, will give any applicant opportunity to practice on the linotype machine.

INDIANA:
Hammond: Twenty-five men needed at Metals Refining Company, to make oxides used in various kinds of paints. No experience is required, and men will start out as laborers at the wage of 75c per hour and train to furnace furnace operators which pays 92c an hour. Will accept men on seasonal leave as well as indefinite since help is urgently needed.

IOWA:
Des Moines: Experienced greenhouse man who can take full charge in growing in the greenhouse for retail shop. \$35 per week to start.

MISSOURI:
Kansas City: St. Louis Blow Pipe Co. interested in securing 2 experienced sheet-metal workers. Salary to be \$1.25 per hour.

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT . . .
Services for Mr. Yasukichi-ro Yamanaka, who passed away 2:30 P.M. January 10, will be held at Rec. Hall 34 on Tuesday, January 18, at 2:30 P.M.

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