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Saturday February 26, 1944

Issuance of All Seasonal Leaves Halted

Effective immediately no more seasonal leaves will be issued to evacuees except those on agricultural work and government contract submitted by extension services or War Food Administration after approval of district relocation officer...

House Rejects One, Passes Other Nisei Bill

The House of Representatives rejected the Citizenship Bill under which past expressions of disloyalty by interned Japanese Americans, especially those at the Tule Lake Center, would, in effect, be considered as a renunciation of citizenship by a close vote of 82 to 76.

Tule Lake Evacuee Arrested on Liquor Charge

SACRAMENTO, — John Sasaki Kazuo, 36-year-old inmate of the Tule Lake Japanese relocation center, was arrested Tuesday by Federal Judge Martin I. Welsh...

Child Dies of Burns Suffered in Ash Pit

TULE LAKE, Calif.—An unapproved ash pit was blamed by WRA officials in the death of Elishi Takeshita, 3, a child at the Tule Lake segregation center...

Absentee Ballots Of Seattle Ready

Petitions for absentee ballots for the final election of Seattle are now ready for signatures, according to Clarence Arai, attorney.

Weather Report

Table with 2 columns: Date (February 16-25), Max. (30-48), Min. (8-20)

DIRECTOR D.S. MYER CLARIFIES NISEI MEN DRAFT SITUATION

Clarifying several points on selective service and the stand that the men of military age may take, Dillon S. Myer, national director of WRA, sent a teletype to all centers with instructions to the project director on how to deal with certain situations.

ASTP Tests for Nisei Men Starts

The third nationwide test for candidates who wish to be considered for the Army Specialized Training Program will be given on March 15, 1944, at 9 a. m. in D. H. 23.

Buttons Must Be Displayed By Convoy Riders

Many unfortunate incidents during the past week have compelled the motor pool and the Central Service to instruct drivers of the workers' convoy trucks to carry only those persons having work buttons, stated A. H. Connor, motor pool superintendent, this week.

Attends Confab

H. L. Stafford, project director, will leave next Tuesday for Washington, D. C., to attend a conference of all project directors.

Nisei Marine Sergeant Visits Poston

POSTON—After seeing action with the Second Division in the Solomons, at Gavutu, Guadalcanal and Tarawa, Marine Sergeant Manuel Hiroshi Hirata, 20, is visiting family and friends, according to the Feb. 12 issue of the Poston Chronicle.

Hunt Mail Carriers Start Work After Three Days' Halt

Center residents without mail for three days, were relieved when the carriers agreed to resume work with the assistance of the Blk. Managers, after a meeting of the carriers, post master, and Blk. managers at the Post Office, according to S. Okamura, post master.

Pedestrians Asked To Keep Off Roads For Safety Reasons

Warning was issued to the pedestrians to refrain from walking on the roads, by the motor pool division this week. Residents are asked to cooperate with the motor pool section and the internal security division by using the walks, thus avoiding any possible auto-pedestrian accidents of which this project has thus far been extremely fortunate in avoiding.

Rumor

The same old rumor that the Minidoka relocation center will close shortly is again going the rounds on the project. This rumor has no basis in fact and should be regarded as idle gossip.

Japan Refuses Negotiations for Third Exchange

WASHINGTON—Although alleged bad conditions in the relocation centers have been found groundless by neutral investigators, Japan refuses to resume negotiations for a third exchange of nationals, according to United Press reports dated Feb. 16.

35 Block Commissioners Elected By Residents

Community Council to Take Oath of Office at Public Meeting Monday Afternoon

Ickes Announces Disbanding of Jerome Center

WASHINGTON—Secretary of Interior Harold L. Ickes Tuesday announced plans for closing the Jerome relocation center for Japanese evacuees near Jerome, Ark., according to the Oregonian.

97 Nisei Draftees Accepted by Army

Eighteen draftees who had registered with the Jerome board reported for pre-induction physicals at Boise Wednesday. Eighty-seven were to report from Hunt on Thursday including eight who had been out on indefinite leave.

Salt Lake City Seeks to Freeze Japanese Firms

SALT LAKE CITY—The Salt Lake City Chamber of Commerce Saturday sought to "freeze" the number of business establishments in the city operated by Japanese Americans, according to the Idaho Statesman. Petition to the city commission read, in part:

Two Nisei Withdraw Test Case On Legality of Ogden License Denial

OGDEN, Utah.—A case to test the legality of the decision of the Ogden City Commission to deny business licenses to persons of Japanese ancestry was filed in the Second district court in Ogden on February 16, but was withdrawn the following day, according to the Pacific Citizen.

For the purpose of amending Sec. 2, Art. 4 of the charter for community self-government, the newly-elected block commissioners will hold a meeting today at 10 a. m. An amendment is necessitated by the fact that the qualifications of a member of the council as stated now are too restrictive in effect.

Commissioners elected to the coordinating commission are: Blk. 1, (not yet announced); Blk. 2, Yoshio Hamamoto; Blk. 3, Sadahiko Ikoma; Blk. 4, Dr. Shiro Ishibashi; Blk. 5, Yoshito Harada; Blk. 6, Shinaku Sawada; Blk. 7, Tamesuoke Kosugi; Blk. 8, Setsugo Hosokawa; Blk. 10, James S. Nomura; Blk. 12, Fujio Hata; Blk. 13, Ken Yamada; Blk. 14, Ikturo Masumoto; Blk. 15, Katsumi Isomura; Blk. 16, Kubaichi Kimura; Blk. 17, Masashige Ota; Blk. 19, Dick Kanayama; Blk. 21, Minoru Mihara; Blk. 22, Kamenoshin Hara; Blk. 24, Harry H. Iwata; Blk. 26, Fujitaro Kubota; Blk. 28, Nobukazu Ueyeda; Blk. 29, Kekiichi Kuraoka; Blk. 30, Tamaichi Yamada; Blk. 31, E. K. Sakai; Blk. 32, I. Kosaoda; Blk. 34, Karl T. Tambara; Blk. 35, Genasuke Hara; Blk. 36, Kenny Nakatani; Blk. 37, Tamura Miura; Blk. 38, Fukuo Sano; Blk. 39, S. Mihara; Blk. 40, Motosuke Hayasaka; Blk. 41, Rex H. Yamashita; Blk. 42, C. T. Takahashi; Blk. 44, Yosajiro Doi.

Sgt. Ben Kuroki Speaks on Ginny Simms' Program

Sgt. Ben Kuroki, nisei war hero, appeared in the Ginny Simms' radio program last Tuesday evening. The program originated at the Santa Monica, Calif., redistribution center where he is resting. He was previously denied permission to appear on the same program by NBC when that company questioned the advisability of the appearance of a person of Japanese ancestry on the West Coast.

Personnel Nets \$12,475.60 in War Loan Drive

Expecting to surpass the quota which is set at \$13,672.81 the appointed personnel had reached \$12,475.60, as of Feb. 15. The war bond drive, which was to end Feb. 15, has been extended to Feb. 29, thus giving the staff a chance to reach their goal, according to Evelyn Anderson, personnel transaction officer.

Five Youths Plead Guilty to Draft Evasion Charges

PUEBLO, Colo.—Five Japanese Americans from the Granada relocation center pleaded guilty Thursday to charges of draft evasion when they were arraigned before U. S. Commissioner O. G. Pope for failure to report for pre-induction examinations, according to the Idaho Statesman.

Youth Arrested On Sedition Charge

Arrested on charges of sedition, George Fujii, 29 year old kibel youth, and a resident of Poston Relocation Center, was held on \$10,000 bail by the F. B. I., according to reports this week.

HUNT HOMETOWN TO RELOCATEES SCATTERED IN THIRTY-THREE STATES

Representing Hunt in nearly all parts of the United States, relocatees from this center now number 2,741 scattered in 33 states, according to latest statistics released by Joseph Beeson, relocation program officer.

Table with 2 columns: States, Total Indefinites, Education (Schools). Lists states from Arkansas to Nebraska with corresponding counts.

Showing that some evacuees want to "stay near home" just in case something happens that would necessitate an immediate trip back to camp, Idaho leads the list with 418 relocatees within her borders, with an additional 13 furthering their education in Idaho schools.

IRRIGATOR Sports

32 Ping Pong Players to Vie for Camp Championship

Area A Rec. Department and the Area B Rec. Department will sponsor a campwide table tennis tournament, on March 1, 2 and 3, to determine the boys' champion of the project, it was revealed late this week by area officials.

Eligible to enter this long awaited tournament are 16 finalists from each area's recent table tennis tournament.

Games on Wednesday and Thursday, March 1 and 2, will be played in Recs. 12 and 29 and the 6 finalists determined by these two games will meet on Friday night at Rec. 29 to battle it out for the crown.

The 32 players of the two Areas will draw lots to determine the schedule.

All games will start at 7:30 p. m. Entering from Area A are: Tomio Akimoto, Shig Hayashi, Kiyoshi Hoshide, Ed Mitsunaga, Roy Seko, George Momoda, Nobu Yamamoto, Yukio Suzuki, John Uno, George Uyehara, James Watanabe, Tak Yagi, Mote Yasuda, Tad Yatsuyu, Heide Yamamoto, and Kanji Yoshino.

Fifteen entrants from Area B are: Jim Akagi, Joe Fujita, Tak Higashiyama, Mas Kuramoto, Tom Kido, Bill Koyama, Kuni Nakamura, Bill Okita, Roy Okada, Hank Aoyama, Frank Aoyama, Fumio Sakamoto, Art Yoshioka, Shig Tada, and Frank Yoshitaka. One more entry eligible from Area B has not been picked as yet.

Area A will be led by Heide Yamamoto, champion of the recent tourney held in that Area and by the small but mighty, James Watanabe. Others to be accounted for are: Shig Hayashi, one of the best from Tule; Kiyoshi Hoshide, runner-up in the recent tournament; Tad Yatsuyu and many others.

Standouts from Area B are: Billy Okita, champion of the recent tourney held in Area B; Art Yoshioka, runner-up of the tourney; Aoyama brothers, and others. Community Activities will award an appropriate prize to the champion and the runner-ups, it was later reported. Time and place of the presentation of the award will be announced later.

MINIDOKA CONSUMERS' COOPERATIVE HUNT, IDAHO

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE For the Month of January, 1944. Sales and Income \$ 59,408.95. Cost of Sales: Inventory, Jan. 1st \$ 48,612.52. Purchases 60,122.42. Warehouse Expense 868.41. Less Inventory, Jan. 31st 62,650.56. Cost of Sales 46,952.78. Gross Operating Income 12,456.17. Expenses: Selling Expenses 3,197.21. General Expenses 512.34. Administrative Expenses 1,987.85. Total Expenses 5,697.40. Net Operating Income 6,758.77. Other Income and Expenses: Other Income 640.42. Other Expenses 163.49. Net Other Income 476.93. Net Earnings for Month of January, 1944 \$ 7,235.70.

FOTO CHATS by mats

Probably no one ever thought of inserting "Razzle Dazzle," in baseball. Football did away with its old-fashioned straight line bucking by varying its style of offense. Set plays were tabooed in basketball when many coaches copied football and started their "fire department" styles of offense.

A few baseball followers had thought that baseball needed some razzle-dazzle for the benefits of the fans and players alike but no one thought of any idea to make this possible.

But Ray Dumont, back in his home in Wichita, probably is the best idea man in athletics. His many innovations have built up the National Baseball Congress from an idea in 1935 until today, a decade later, the program has not only swept over the United States and Canada but is expanding into thirty-two other Nations and territories.

Dumont says his razzle-dazzle plan will provide excitement for the fans, eliminate set fielding plays and cause quick thinking among the players. Only one baseball rule, under the proposal will be changed. A batter will have the choice of running to third or first base and must continue advancement around the bases in the same direction he left the plate.

WILL MAKE PLAYERS THINK There'll be plenty of excitement, Dumont said. "The fielding players will have to be thinking all the time because of the many complications. "On an attempted sacrifice, the infielders will have to try and figure in advance whether the runner will head for third or first. If runner is on first base at the time, batter, if a double play appears evident, can run to third base, thus eliminating a force out.

"Think what a thrill it will be for two runners trying to steal second, one advancing from third and the other from first! A double play might result on the play; one or both runners might be safe. "Triple plays will be frequent. That's because there's a possibility that more than three players will be on the paths at one time."

To test out "Razzle-Dazzle" baseball Dumont will stage an experimental game at the opening of the 1944 National semi-pro tournament at Wichita the night of August 11. San Francisco Examiner, Feb. 20, 1944.

Salt Lake City Ike Old's, "Nuggets" 9-wins no defeats, credit is due to: Ben Yoshida, Kasai-bro's. of Fife. Toyzie Katsuyama of Celtics. Tosh Nishimura of Lotus Troys. George Nakagawa of Main Bowl. Kenny Oyama of U. W.-J. S. C. . . . also playing good ball for the Ute's Redskins: Raymond Sasald of Kashiwagis. And Edo Sasald of Sidelights. . . frosh trackster Kane Senda, U. W. numeral winner here for short visit. . . area B's most popular hang-out the 26-laundry-room—why? . . . remember 2 years back little Al Mar, Garfield flash? he bucketed 22 points. . . two Nisei came through with a quick decision for Jerome boxing team, Mitiani and Aizawa. . . Boise sparkplug Roy Hosoda of C. Idaho, 2-year letterman from U. Idaho-Southern Branch. 2nd high man ah, yes. Another Nisei converts for the high riding Coyotes, George Saito. . . Pacific Coast Play off is just around the corner. Ah, yes—Huskies and Bears. . . watch for the opening date for the Area-B Pinochle tournament. . . 9-points apiece by Yokota and Nakamura paced the Weiser Hi to 33-30 upset against Emmett, last Saturday nite. . . Umbriago!!!!

Blk. 26 7-Man Team Takes Table Tennis Championship

Being meted out a 4-3 defeat by Blk. 24 on Thursday night at Rec. 31, the Blk. 26 team came back strong on Friday night to defeat Blk. 24 for the Area B block team table tennis tourney crown. Blk. 26 had until Thursday night remained undefeated in tournament play.

On Monday, Blk. 26 took the preliminary championship by defeating Blk. 28, 4-2, while Blk. 24 took the consolation crown, downing Blk. 30, 7-0.

With 4 teams entered in the playoff finals, Blk. 24 went through two games unscathed to meet Blk. 26 on Thursday night for the tournament championship game. Blk. 24 won the Thursday night match 4-3, taking the tournament into the Friday night match. Previous to defeating Blk. 26 on Thursday night, Blk. 24 had defeated Blk. 40 on Tuesday night, 5-2, and Blk. 28 on Wednesday night 4-0.

Championship team will receive some form of recognition from the Area B Rec. Staff in the near future.

WEDNESDAY SCORE: Block 24, F. Aoyama 23-25, 21-14, 21-15. H. Aoyama 21-17, 21-10. A. Yoshioka 21-19, 21-17. S. Tada 21-17, 22-20. Block 28, T. R. Goto 21-12, 22-24, 25-23. T. Ogasawara 21-12, 21-11. R. Okada 21-8, 21-4. K. Nakamura 13-21, 21-17, 5-21. C. Toasaya 22-20, 11-21, 14-21. F. Sakamoto 12-21, 11-21. T. Yoshida 21-11, 21-11. MONDAY SCORES: Block 24, H. Aoyama 21-9, 21-16. F. Aoyama 21-13, 21-17. A. Yoshioka 21-17, 8-21, 21-12. S. Tada 21-11, 21-10. K. Yamamoto 21-11, 21-6. Block 30, N. Ueyga 21-9, 21-16. S. Ideta 21-13, 21-17. N. Minamoto 21-17, 8-21, 21-12. H. Matsubu 21-11, 21-10. M. Minami 21-11, 21-6. Block 26, C. Tosaya 21-7, 21-12. F. Sakamoto 21-9, 21-14. T. Yoshida 21-18, 21-4. N. Akada 10-21, 18-21. F. Okazaki 11-21, 13-21. Y. Akada 21-18, 21-18. TUESDAY SCORE: Block 24, W. Kawata 5-21, 21-9, 21-7. A. Takeuchi 23-21, 21-9. K. Yamamoto 17-21, 15-21. H. Aoyama 21-15, 21-4. F. Ayoma 19-21, 19-21. A. Yoshioka 21-15, 21-19. S. Tada 21-14, 21-11. Block 28, K. Takel 21-9, 21-14. A. Tokio 21-18, 21-4. R. Okada 10-21, 18-21. T. R. Goto 11-21, 13-21. T. Mizuki 21-18, 21-18. Block 40, T. Masuda 5-21, 21-9, 21-7. T. Akagi 23-21, 21-9. S. Nobuyama 17-21, 15-21. C. Okada 21-15, 21-4. J. Akagi 19-21, 19-21. Y. Ono 21-15, 21-19. K. Nobuyama 21-14, 21-11.

Sunday Church Activities

- FEDERATED CHRISTIAN ENGLISH WORSHIP SERVICES: 10:45 a. m., Area A. Rec. 8, Rev. Tsutomu Fukuyama; Area B, Rec. 34, Rev. Daisuke Kitagawa. EVENING FELLOWSHIP: Christian Candle-lighters, Rec. 6, 7 p. m. UNITED BUDDHIST SUNDAY: Young People's Devotional Services, 9:30 a. m.: Huntville, Barrack 10, Rev. Arakawa; Rec. 36, Rev. Sugimoto. Sunday School, 10:30 a. m.: Huntville, Barrack 10, Rev. Arakawa; Rec. 36, Rev. Sugimoto. Adults' Meeting: 2 p. m., Huntville, Barrack 10, Rev. Arakawa; Rec. 36, Rev. Sugimoto. EPISCOPAL CHURCH WEST END: at Blk. 10-12, 8 a. m. Holy Eucharist, with sermon, Father Kitagawa. 10:30 a. m. Church School. EAST END: at Blk. 32-12, 9:30 a. m., Holy Eucharist with sermon with Father Kitagawa. 10:30 a. m. Church School. CATHOLIC CHURCH SUNDAY: Mass, 8 a. m., Rec. 22; Catechism classes right after mass. Lenten Devotions, 7:30 p. m., Catholic Church Office. MONDAY: Genkokai, 2 p. m., Catholic Church Library; Vincentians, 7:30 p. m., Blk. 8. WEDNESDAY:

Draft Teletype

(Continued From Page One) imposed. You should report cases of this kind to the local United States Attorney to institute prosecution promptly and should offer him your complete cooperation. Step To Other Rights "The reinstatement of selective service was a major step toward the restoration of the rights of American citizens of Japanese ancestry and if properly accepted can lead to the restoration of many other rights which evacuees feel they should have. Any action to resist or avoid the selective service taken on the part of any individual or group would react to the serious detriment of the whole evacuee community. "I sincerely hope that the responsible leaders among the evacuees understand this and will assist in any way possible to avoid the drastic effect which might come from the unthinking actions of a few prospective or actual draft dodgers," Myer concluded.

"Photographs Worth Preserving" The Album

231 Shoshone Street North - Telephone 402 TWIN FALLS, IDAHO. The tournament rules will be the same as of the first Area A tournament in which Heide Yamamoto emerged champion. A silver cup will be awarded to the champion. Schedule—Following: February 27—Sun. afternoon at Rec. 7. Ward 1—Blks. 1, 2, 3, 4. February 27—Sun. afternoon at Rec. 7. Ward 2—Blks. 5, 6, 7, 8. February 27—Sun. afternoon at Rec. 17. Ward 3—Blks. 10, 12, 13, 14. February 27—Sun. evening at Rec. 17. Ward 4—Blks. 15, 16, 17, 19.

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MINIDOKA CONSUMERS' COOPERATIVE HUNT, IDAHO

BALANCE SHEET as of JANUARY 31, 1944 ASSETS

Current Assets: Cash \$ 65,236.79. Deposit and Advances on Order 65,236.79. Defense Stamps 104.40. Commission Receivable-Estimate 120.15. Merchandise Inventory 65,595.55. Total Current Assets \$133,456.99. Investments 115.51. Fixed Assets (Net) 9,725.66. Prepaid Items 502.88. TOTAL ASSETS \$143,801.04. LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITIES. Current Liabilities: Payable—Checks Rec'd for Collecting and Safekeeping \$ 6,331.52. Notes Payable—National Cash Register Co. 827.30. Accounts Payable and Mdse. Certificate 35,207.21. Accrued Liabilities 5,357.04. Total Current Liabilities \$ 47,723.07. Deferred Credits 118.69. Total Liabilities 47,841.76. Members' Equities: Membership and Part Payment 13,788.37. Deferred Patronage Refund 6,340.16. Total Members' Equities 20,128.53. Reserve: Reserve for Educational Purposes \$ 56.28. Unallocated General Reserve 4,670.41. Net Savings for Period 4-1-43 to 1-31-44 71,104.06. Total Reserves 75,830.75. Total Members' Equities and Reserves 95,959.28. TOTAL LIABILITIES and MEMBERS' EQUITIES \$143,801.04.

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