

EASTER

Easter sunrise services will be held at 6 a. m. on the field adjacent to the high school on April 9. The Rev. H. G. McCallister, Twin Falls and the Rev. N. Kodaira will deliver the sermons in English and Japanese respectively.

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New Indefinite Leave Regulation Announced

Permits Residents to Leave Center On Trial Basis for Six-Month Period

Residents of relocation centers will be eligible to go out on indefinite leave east of the Mississippi River or in Minnesota, Iowa or Missouri for a trial period of from four to six months and at the end of that period they may return to the center if they find it necessary, according to new regulations of the War Relocation Authority received this week from Washington by Project Director H. L. Stafford.

Explaining the new regulations, Leland Barrows, acting director of WRA in Washington, said:

"The adoption of this program permitting indefinite leave on a trial basis is an effort on the part of WRA to meet the needs of those evacuees who have been uncertain of their ability to make a successful relocation, and those who have hesitated to leave the centers without assurance that they could come back in event they were unable to make a satisfactory adjustment on the outside."

"They will now be able to take employment on a trial basis and to find out for themselves what conditions are like on the outside, with the provision that they may secure permission to return to the center at the end of four months if

they find it necessary. Applicants must show that indefinite leave for the trial period is a definite step toward permanent relocation."

Individuals and families to whom this type leave is granted must accept certain responsibilities and meet certain conditions. They must have a specific offer of employment or a community invitation, and meet the requirements for regular indefinite leave.

The new type leave will be issued only to applicants whose destination is a state east of the Mississippi River or in the state of Minnesota, Iowa or Missouri.

Applicants must agree not to change employment nor to travel outside a prescribed travel district without approval of the relocation officer in that district. Applicants

Myer Declares Evacuees Should Relocate Now

In regard to relocation as affecting the return of Japanese-Americans to the West Coast, WRA Director Dillon S. Myer sent a wire to Project Director H. L. Stafford recently.

The wire follows: "The statement is often made by evacuees that return to the west coast area would be easier and quicker for them if they remain in relocation centers. Many have requested some statement on what must be recognized by all as an exceedingly difficult subject on which to make any predictions. Of this much we can be certain, that no advantage can result from continued center residence, when such return becomes possible. The advantage of making every possible effort to relocate now, and thus establish a place for Japanese-Americans in the life of normal American communities, in terms of the contribution that they can and should make, will in turn make for a more likely acceptance by the people of the west coast later."

"Refusal to accept a share of the responsibilities and possible hardships of such community life during wartime, and insistence on remaining in the secluded atmosphere of the centers, while there is need and demand for just those skills and services that center residents can supply, will, in the public mind, certainly not enhance or improve the status of those who otherwise may be able to return to their home and property on the west coast."

"You can be assured that center residents do not lose their legal residence in the states from which they were evacuated merely because they relocate. If they intend or hope to return to their former homes when military restrictions are lifted, they should maintain their voting privileges in those states by complying with the provisions of the state laws governing registration and absentee voting."

Where Lies Their Faith, Loyalty

NEW YORK—Three Japanese-American brothers in the U. S. army have pledged to kill their fourth brother—an officer in the Japanese army, Royal Arch Gunnison, former newspaper correspondent in the far east, related March 29, according to the Associated Press.

Speaking over Mutual broadcasting system, Gunnison said he had been interviewed by the fourth brother Kazumuro Uno, while interned in a Japanese concentration camp in the Philippines.

Gunnison said the officer, born and educated in the United States, related: "My family, my brothers, are dumb Americans. They are stupid enough to see there is such a thing as equality, for race or creed in the United States."

When the correspondent returned to the United States aboard the diplomatic exchange ship Gripsholm, he told Uno's story in an American magazine, he said, and shortly thereafter received a letter from Uno's soldier brothers. Gunnison said the letter read:

"We wish to inform you that the Jap officer—our brother—is a traitor to the American way of life under which he has enjoyed the benefits of education and freedom. We have pledged the destruction of him and all those like him."

Hatate, Sasaki Leave For Confab

With the termination of the six-month trial period for the operation of the New York Buying Office on April 30, a three-day conference of the Federation of Center Business Enterprise has been slated to take action upon further operation or discontinuance of the Eastern office.

Harry Hatate, president, and Shosuke Sasaki, executive secretary of the Board of Directors, left this morning for the conference which will be held in the Granada relocation center on April 3, 4 and 5.

All Federation members will send two or three delegates to this conference, except the Jerome center where the cooperative is in the process of liquidation.

Myer Backs Return to West Coast

"Most of the Japanese evacuees still look upon the Pacific coast as their home, and most of them hope and expect to return there when the military situation becomes such that exclusion is no longer necessary," said WRA Director D. S. Myer, at a joint luncheon meeting of the Kiwanis club and members of the chamber of commerce held March 23 at the Hotel Utah, according to the Salt Lake Tribune.

"When the time comes there can be no question that the evacuated people should have the right to go back to their former homes if they choose to do so," asserted Director Myer. "It is our hope that the people eligible for leave in the relocation centers may be relocated into ordinary American communities at the earliest possible date."

"Almost 20,000 have now left the centers on indefinite leave and have made homes for themselves. Most of these are young adults, with few family responsibilities. Our big problem now is to make possible the relocation of family groups, including the eligible aliens, most of whom are well along in years."

Mr. Myer said more than 2000 Japanese evacuees have established homes in Utah and several thousand others have cultivated and harvested Utah's sugar beets, vegetables and have picked turkeys on a seasonal leave basis.

"There has been some discrimination, particularly in opposition to their entering business or farming on their own even though they are welcomed with open arms as ordinary labor by most of these sources. That smacks of a desire for slave labor."

Improvements Due In Disposal Plant

Hunt residents will soon be relieved of some of the odor from the project disposal plant, according to G. R. Green, public works supervisor. Improvements will be made soon on the plant where the disposal plant department of the Public Works Division recently discovered the cause for some of the odor.

Robert P. Lowe, sanitation engineer from Washington, D. C., discussed health and sanitation measures with the hospital and sanitation heads on his recent visit to Hunt. He also helped local officials with sanitation difficulties on the project.

A Child's Prayer ... For His Daddy Over There

"... Just a baby's prayer at Twilight For his daddy over there" ...

It wasn't exactly twilight, but the prayer of little David Sakura, 8, was none the less earnest when he

Convoy Schedule Changes Monday

To become effective on April 3, the new convoy schedule was announced this week by R. S. Davidson, assistant project director in charge of operations. Hereafter workers will be picked up at specified stations instead of at laundry rooms as was done during the winter.

Convoy trucks will leave the following stations at 7:50 a. m. and 12:50 p. m.: Call box Bldg. 1 and 3; I.S. station between Bldg. 5 and 7; I.S. station between Bldg. 13 and 15; offices between Bldg. 22 and 24; I.S. station between Bldg. 29 and 31; I.S. station between Bldg. 35 and 37 and I.S. station between Bldg. 39 and 41.

April Draft Calls 200 Hunt Men

Approximately 200 names are anticipated for the next pre-induction physical examination to be given sometime between the dates of April 20 to April 26, reported V. V. McLaughlin, leave officer. This list will not include the names of those who might be called by the Jerome board.

The IRRIGATOR will be unable to print the names of the men reported for their physical examination under the recent regulation of the selective service headquarters. Notices will be sent to the men and a list will be posted at the Leave Office and other points to inform the men of their call.

Nine men, who left for their final physical examination and induction last week, are back in Hunt, awaiting their call for basic training. These men have their serial numbers, private classification, and all requisites of a soldier except for uniform and station, stated McLaughlin. They are subject to a 24-hour call, being on the active reserve list at present.

A complete check-up of the 289 Minidoka nisei called for pre-induction examination on March 18 reveals that 100 per cent responded to the call, reported Project Director Harry L. Stafford to the WRA in Washington.

Of the total, 224 were examined at the project hospital, as reported by the IRRIGATOR last week. 147 were accepted and 77 rejected. The remainder of the total had relocated and reported to other points for their examination. A complete report on these men has not been received by the leave office here.

Two men returned to Hunt from Reno, Nevada, and two from the (Continued On Page Four)

War Veteran Healthy at 67

"America has treated me fairly in the pre-evacuation days. Much of this is due to my being in the U. S. Navy at one time, and it is my impression that to insure fair treatment of nisei after the war, nisei boys passing their physical examination should bear arms for the United States of America with a feeling of patriotism up-to-par or surpassing that of fellow Americans in the Army," stated Tatsuo Takano, a 67-year-old Spanish-American War veteran, of 12-6-F.

Takano, a naturalized citizen of the United States, was on the battleship Maine in Havana Harbor when it was sunk by an explosion. Declining to talk of his three years in the navy, he, however, did recount his experience when he swam for his life when the Maine went down under him.

Leaving a medical school in Japan, Takano arrived in San Francisco in 1894 and at once joined the U. S. Navy. He applied for his first citizenship papers in 1897 and for his second in 1900.

Receiving an honorable discharge from the navy, he attended the University of California for three years, majoring in pharmacy. He then set up and operated a drug store in Seattle, Washington for over 35 years prior to evacuation. Takano is one of the very few nisei possessing a narcotic license permitting sales of opium and coca leaves. His license was transferred from Washington to Idaho last year.

He resides with his wife at 12-6-F. Their only son, Frank Nobuo Takano, is at present working at a Spokane drug store as a pharmacist. Frank attended the University of Washington prior to evacuation and completed his schooling at Washington State College. He graduated last year and received his pharmacy license immediately after.

Ft. McClellan Boys Face Army Trial

Washington—Twenty-eight members of the Japanese-American battalion in Fort McClellan, Alabama who refused to take military training and to salute the American flag are reported to have been confined to a stockade to await court-martial proceedings.

These men are said to be "1940 kibel," American-born Japanese who had received most of their formal education in Japan and who had returned to the United States shortly before the war.

Reports from Anniston, Ala., declared that the 28 soldiers involved have been in the army since 1941, and that they are not new inductees from war relocation centers.

Home Board Ruling Clarified

Under selective service regulations, the board with which a person registers is always the home board, according to Selective Service Board No. 190, Pasadena, Calif.

Requests for transfers to other boards are impossible under selective service regulations, and only serve to clog the mails and increase the burden of clerical work in each of these boards.

All men that are acceptable to the armed forces of the United States will be notified in due time and proper steps taken for their induction.

Farms Being Prepared For Crops

In preparation for spring planting, field work on the project farm land and canal construction is now rapidly progressing, reported William Maxey, Jr., irrigation engineer. Two crews under the supervision of Yasushi Inouye and Ben M. Okuda are working on lateral 21.5 from the Milner-Gooding canal irrigation ditch placing concrete checks, turnouts and weirs in preparation for water delivery to the blocks and farm area. Water deliveries are expected to begin around May 1.

Under the direction of Chikupi Katayama, the land subjugation crews are plowing and leveling and in preparation for the seeding of crops. This work is being carried out on a two shift a day basis to expedite completion of the improvements. Two heavy tractors and a five bottom disc plow will be transferred from other centers for use on this work.

The landscaping crew, working under Fujihiro Kubota, has completed a hotbed for flowers which will be transplanted to the hospital and administrative areas, as soon as the danger of frost is over. The administration area adjacent to the entrance will be landscaped more extensively than other areas and will be completed about May 15.

2 Draft Evaders Under \$2000 Bond

No further actions have been taken on Toshichi Jack Uno and George Murakami, the two Hunt men who failed to report for their pre-induction physicals on February 24, reported V. V. McLaughlin, leave officer.

The two were arrested on March 4 on draft evasion charge and are at present in the custody of the U. S. Marshall in Boise, awaiting the April session of the Federal Court of Idaho to be tried. They are held on a \$2000 bond.

A teletype received by McLaughlin from the Colorado River Project stated that the nine Granada draft delinquents had been tried and sentenced to three years in a federal penitentiary.

Rep. Herman Eberharter Disagrees With Majority Committee Report

WASHINGTON—Rep. Herman P. Eberharter (D.) Pa., denounced on March 16 the House un-American committee probe of the WRA as "a painful parody on fair-minded and constructive Congressional inquiry" and "a serious disservice to the American people."

Rep. Eberharter, who has differed with his colleagues on the Dies sub-committee on previous occasions on matters regarding Japanese-Americans, declared that the majority report, signed by Chairman Costello, (D.) Calif., and Rep. Mundt, (R.) S. D., was a "serious disservice to the American people."

Eberharter, who had declared previously both Costello and Mundt were "biased" and "prejudiced" in their reports on Japanese-Americans, took issue with each of the recommendations in the Dies sub-committee's majority report, adding that the report "has seemingly been written with a view of obtaining maximum publicity for the most irresponsible charges."

The report by Costello and Mundt, which Eberharter charged had not been shown to him at the time it was filed two weeks ago, had recommended the removal of WRA Director Dillon S. Myer and Raymond R. Beat, project director at Tule Lake, because of their "evident disability" to cope with disloyal Japanese. Costello and Mundt had also asked for the transfer of jurisdiction at Tule Lake to the Department of Justice, and that the WRA report directly to Congress on individuals, responsible for the Tule Lake riot last November, and also that, "policing at WRA centers be done exclusively by Caucasians."

Eberharter said that the majority report of the Dies group "has encouraged the public to confuse the people in relocation centers with our real enemies across the Pacific."

He found that Myer and Beat acted wisely last November by meeting with the evacuee committee, hearing their case and giving both them and the crowd "a forthright and uncompromising statement of the government's position."

"I cannot help wondering what action my excessively critical colleagues would have taken under similar circumstances," Eberharter observed. "The role of Monday morning quarterback has never been a particularly difficult assignment."

The congressman held that the WRA "handled its difficult assignment with commendable effectiveness" and that, therefore, no transfer of control was needed.

He also questioned why Tule Lake authorities would report to Congress when a special committee exists. Finally, he advocated use of the army for emergency policing.

Residents Contribute \$2285.97 to Red Cross

Residents in Blk. 2, 31, 29 Lead Project In Contributions; Schools Aid Drive

Doing its part in contributing to the National Red Cross Fund Campaign, Minidoka project showed a grand total of \$2285.97 collected at the end of the six-day drive, according to Shigeru Osawa, chairman of the local drive.

The breakdown of the grand total shows \$1685.81 contributed by the blocks, \$477.22 by the appointed personnel, \$50.16 by the high school, \$40.40 by the hospital, and \$26.38 from the collection taken at the Ice Carnival in January.

Blk. 2, under Y. Hamamoto, led all other blocks by contributing \$78.80 to the Red Cross. Blk. 31 under M. Arai followed with \$76.60, while Blk. 29 under K. Kurakawa contributed \$67.35 to rank third highest in the block drive.

Following is a detailed report of the contributions made by the blocks: Blk. 2, \$78.80; Blk. 31, \$76.60; Blk. 29, \$67.35; Blk. 10 (1/2), \$33.10; Blk. 24, \$64.50; Blk. 32 (1/2), \$32.55; Blk. 34, \$63.79; Blk. 4, \$58.60; Blk. 36, \$57.15; Blk. 41, \$55.80; Blk. 1, \$54.95; Blk. 22 (1/2), \$27.25; Blk. 39, \$52.75; Blk. 35, \$51.45; Blk. 21, \$51.35; Blk. 14, \$49.25.

This year, more than ever before, the importance and far reaching benefits of the Red Cross were stressed. Handling of over 250 incoming and over 250 outgoing messages to Japan without cost is being effected every month by the Red Cross through the local office. Confirmation of telegrams, in case of serious illness of parents or relatives of soldiers in various training camps in the United States, are also sent at the cost of the local Red Cross.

The American Red Cross, under its congressional charter, is the official medium of communication between the people of the United States and their army and navy.

Of the total of \$2285.97 the Hunt chapter of the Red Cross will retain \$1000 for the coming year of \$1000 will be sent to the national headquarters of the American Red Cross.

The success of the local drive is accredited to Mrs. Yone Arai, temporary chairman of the local Red Cross; Yae Yasuda, secretary of the local chapter; Shigeru Osawa, chairman of the drive; the block commissioners; the appointed personnel; the high school and the hospital; the Community Activities and the residents of Hunt.

In coordination with the National Red Cross Drive, Stafford and Huntville Grade Schools, with the able assistance of the Hunt High Junior Red Cross, are having their own drives.

Navy Disavows McCoy Remarks Concerning Nisei

Navy Department officials in Washington have assured the War Relocation Authority that statements made by Commander Melvin McCoy on March 15 in San Francisco, were purely personal and unauthorized and do not represent the attitude of the United States Navy, according to a teletype received this week by the Project Director H. L. Stafford from Leland Barrows, acting director of WRA.

Commander McCoy, leader of ten American prisoners in an escape from a Japanese prison camp in the Philippines, achieved national prominence recently when the "March of Death" atrocity stories were released by the War Department in January.

He declared in a newspaper interview in San Francisco on March 18 that the Japanese were fighting a "race war" and inferred that Japanese-American soldiers in Italy were similarly fighting a "race war" against Germans because they were "white."

"They are killing white men. They would just as soon be killing Germans as other white men," he was quoted by United Press as saying.

Commander McCoy also stated in San Francisco that "every Japanese in America should be shipped back to Japan after the war."

Cable Sent To Japanese Red Cross

A letter of appreciation to be cable to the Japanese Red Cross was formulated by the 14-man Distribution Committee selected from the block delegates for the distribution of commodities sent from Japan to Japanese nationals, at a meeting held last Saturday afternoon.

The letter was addressed to E. W. Meyer, assistant to the Delegate, International Committee of the Red Cross. It was signed by Harry Hatate, chairman, a special committee representing Japanese nationals.

Gifts received from the Japanese Red Cross included: 440 barrels soy sauce; 18 barrels bean mash, 50 cases tea; two cases drugs and one case musical instruments and books.

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The Tail That Wags the Dog

The Los Angeles Times this week ran a cartoon. That in itself is not unusual. All metropolitan papers run syndicated cartoons. However, taken from the viewpoint of a person of Japanese ancestry it is far from funny. Rather, it is a tragic bit of caricature.

The artist had cleverly drawn a ferocious dog—quite large—with a very huge tail—powerful and sinister looking and in the background a bewildered "Pro-Nisei" dodging a vicious swipe from that ugly tail. On the body of that monstrous dog were inscribed the words—"Rights" of Nisei to return to Coast—on the tail—Japanese-American Inductees' Refusal To Take Military Training—.

Naturally, that inscription is not the general sentiment of Japanese Americans on the military issue. Of the hundreds called for pre-induction physicals only a small minority has actually failed to comply with the regulations. Yet, to the reading public of the Los Angeles Times, the impression of that cartoon will stamp in their minds a few doubts concerning our integrity and protestations of loyalty to our country—America.

...
We in the centers and elsewhere, cannot realize the full significance of our smallest movements. We cannot fathom the effect of our thoughts and actions on the outside.

During the years since Pearl Harbor, we have been subjected to the most intense publicity we have ever undergone for years in the past.

Much of that publicity, no matter how unfavorable at times, has worked in our favor. No one can deny that fact. More and more Americans of other racial extraction have become aware of our existence. Many people who have never heard or seen a Japanese face have become curious about us. And because most Americans seem to favor the so-called "under dogs", they have begun to take us at face value.

If we said we were loyal and honest and diligent they believed us—until proven otherwise. The majority of people have come to know us and have discovered that for the most part, we are Americans.

Some of us, instead of profiting by our sad experiences during the past years, and realizing the fact that there are hundreds of other people with a lot of troubles of their own, have turned our eyes inward into the narrow scope of our own confinement and troubles. Instead of trying to understand what other people are trying to do to help us, certain individuals keep harping on the injustices done to the Japanese in America since the war.

Many of the American people are beginning to realize the injustices and hardship of evacuation and its subsequent results and are trying to do their share in righting this mistake. Therefore, we, on our part, should wake up to this fact and do a little more to prove that we are not embittered permanently or have lost faith entirely in the American people.

Those boys who answered when their country called, have done their duty. They have responded despite personal sentiments during the past years. They have answered because they have faith that eventually things will work out all right.

...
When one realizes that the people on the outside are very busy with their own lives in this stepped-up living during wartime, we cannot help but appreciate their aid.

Though we may be called "Jap" now and then, there are no rulings written or unwritten that tell us in no uncertain terms, where to sit down in the theatres, trains, buses or street cars.

We can enter any door we please without being conscious of a color line. We can choose our place of eating, entertainment and in the most part our residence.

In the South they have two races—black and white—and a Japanese is classified as "white".

Because we have been subjected to the concentrated anti-Japanese propaganda on the west coast we have become more and more race conscious. However, in the mid-west and east such a feeling soon vanishes.

Therefore, we must do all we can not to shake the faith of those who believe in us by acting rashly in anything we do.

Persons of Japanese ancestry provide hot copy for the newspapers. We may think that we have the right to do and say things, however, no matter how inconspicuous or insignificant the deed may be, there are individuals who are always trying to twist things to suit their own needs.

It is unfortunate indeed to provide a neat stumbling block to a movement that all persons behind barbed wire would like to see gain momentum. Perhaps the majority of us will never return to the west coast even if the present regulations were relaxed, but the principle of being able to go wherever we choose would be a satisfaction in itself.

So, it is up to us to do all we can to remain unshaken in our belief that things will work out favorably in time for all concerned and it is not our place to put convenient barriers in the paths of those working for us by committing any deed we may have cause to regret later.

The dog is strong and has a mind of its own but the tail that wags the dog sometimes has a way of being more powerful than a person may think and we must do our part in reducing that ugly and monstrous tail to a mere ornamental appendage—insignificant and useless.—kt.

Lieut. Urges Integration Into American Communities

In a letter by 1st Lt. Shigeru Taubota from the Moore General Hospital, Swannanoa, N. C., to the Pacific Citizen, he urges the Nisei to relocate and become an integral part of America.

"According to Lt. Gen. J. L. DeWitt's report, 'Japanese Evacuation from the West Coast in 1942,' the Army as well as the Federal civilian agencies concerned executed a splendid movement of evacuating the Japanese population, considering the fact that the evacuation was the first of its kind in American history. However, the success of the movement in many ways was attributed to the willing cooperation of the evacuees in responding to and complying with the various exclusion and evacuation orders.

"It is my belief that such a wholesale evacuation, though drastic as it was, would tend to further enhance the Americanism of the Nisei. But apparently, it doesn't seem so, at least to one Nisei girl who recently visited her aging parents at a War Relocation Center in Idaho. This girl wasn't entirely affected by the evacuation because at the time of the movement, she was employed by the government in Washington, D. C., after leaving the Japanese community of Seattle in November, 1941. She is still working at the capitol, holding a very responsible position. Since her arrival there, she has worked and associated with many Caucasians, and has developed an undying friendship with many of them. Consequently, she is able to talk and act accordingly on an equal level and footing with any Caucasian, a trait which too many Nisei

are unable to acquire because they are race conscious (of their own race) or have an inferiority complex. She wrote the following, which deserves much consideration, in a letter to me:

"The young people have adapted themselves to center life to an extent that is alarming, I think. They are likewise gay and happy, and the majority seem to have become so used to this unnatural way of living that they are content to remain. Perhaps they think differently from the way they appear—I haven't talked to any as yet.

"At the railroad station at Shoshone I literally came face to face with two former classmates who were on their way to the 'outside'—far off to Minnesota, on leave. No jobs. One has a sister there. They piled me with questions—How did the Japanese get along? Were they treated well? They were scared and timid and almost terrified. With the comforting shelter of camp life torn away from them, they apparently feel small and undefended, open to attack from all sides. I assured them that the people out East were friendly if one met them on the same ground, acted as equals instead of cringing around the communities in conspicuous groups, declared themselves and stood up for their rights, etc.

"When the only Caucasians one has been in contact with for two years have been M. P.'s, guards, and a few school teachers, sociologists, and ministers and the like, I suppose it is natural that one forgets how to act toward the American public, and wonders how they will accept you. The majority of these people (evacuees) however, lived in Japanese communities even before the war, and evacuation has done no good Americanizing them. For the better, wiser, and more thinking, it has given them the opportunity to embark on their own, to get out of their lethargy into some positive action, but the others have dropped deeper into their Japanese ways.

"I think everyone realizes what they must do, but haven't the strength, the courage, the gambling spirit in going out on a chance to become part of America. They have read so much, heard so much, and talked so much about the cause and effect and the antidotes but all this is passive."

"Undoubtedly her opinion is frank and sincere. Credit should be given to her for her extraordinary honesty. I wouldn't be at all surprised to know that a similar condition, which certainly is appalling, is prevalent in other War Relocation centers. It is my sincere hope the Nisei of all the centers will be given the opportunity to read and study the contents of the above three paragraphs, and eventually arrive at a definite decision that will drive them out of their complexness, and develop sufficient courage and intestinal fortitude to re-settle, and seek the opportunities offered outside the unnatural environment existing within the fenced-in centers.

"The government subsidy or aid which you are now receiving will cease sometime in the future, I believe, and when that day comes, you'll be on your own. Why wait? There is no more opportune time than at this very moment with the change of attitude—one of trust and confidence—of the government toward the Japanese American problem, which principally resulted from the splendid fighting demonstrated by the Japanese American battalion in Italy. Furthermore, War Relocation agencies are established in various communities throughout the Middle West and East to help in securing decent and responsible jobs for those Nisei who leave the gates of War Relocation centers.

"If you, Nisei, have the fighting spirit and rugged individualism within you, which I believe you possess, but apparently dormant, I know you will accept the challenge willingly and make yourselves useful and worthwhile, and become an integral part of America. It's your move, Nisei of the War Relocation centers."

3 Nisei Casualties Sent to California

The first three casualties of the "Puka Puka" unit of the U. S. Fifth Army in Italy were received in California at the new Dible Army General Hospital in Menlo Park.

The men, all from Honolulu, are Sgt. Kiyoshi Ikeda, Cpl. Kenichi Iha and Pfc. Takeo Daide.

Capt. Suzuki Credits His Life To Blood Plasma

CHICAGO, Ill.—(Special)—"Heroism of the Nisei fighting in Italy is having a good effect upon public opinion, and the opening of the draft to Nisei is giving them opportunities they never had before." Capt. Taro Suzuki, a command officer in the famous 100th Battalion and a participant in the landing at Salerno, made this statement in a press conference here last week. Capt. Suzuki is here on sick leave, having been wounded by shell fragments from a "screaming meemie" in an Italian engagement. A "screaming meemie" is a rocket gun.

The captain declared that blood plasma saved his life. "It's one of the greatest things in this war. I wouldn't be here today if it weren't for the transfusions I received. I wish everyone at home could realize the importance of blood plasma on the fighting fronts."

He emphasized that the loyalty of the Japanese Americans in battle cannot be questioned. "You have only to see them in action, as I have, to realize how anxious they are to make a good record."

Capt. Suzuki led the unit which rescued 15 American paratroopers who had landed behind German lines and were held up in a small village until the Nisei soldiers arrived.

Playing down his part in the rescue, he said: "My company occupied a certain hill. I sent out a patrol to the town on the right and they came back with the paratroopers who had been beleaguered for 22 days. The paratroopers even had a wounded German prisoner whom they had previously captured."

He said that many German prisoners were bewildered at finding themselves captured by Japanese wearing American uniforms. "I guess it just somehow didn't fit in with their Nazi teachings."

The 30-year-old officer, a graduate of the University of Hawaii, held a reserve commission for 13 years. He has a wife and two children in Honolulu. He worked for a sugar company before joining the regular army four years ago.

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Letter From A Soldier . . .

(Pic. Tak Hirai, one of the 300 volunteers from Hunt, expresses the general feelings of "sons of us" volunteers from Minidoka, in an open letter this week. He is a former member of the Art Department and is reputed as an outstanding Northwest Nisei artist.—Ed. Note)

Dear Editor,
We, that is, several of us volunteers from Minidoka—were reading the Irrigator the other day and read about the furor caused by the opening of the Selective Service to the Nisei. And I took it upon myself to write this open letter to express our views on this.

As far as we can see, the opening of the Selective Service is to us—the Nisei, one step more towards the realization of our goal of being accepted into the American way of life as equal citizens. Sure, we've been pushed around—we had to give up our homes, our jobs and all we held dear—but that's behind us now. Recalling old wrongs won't help matters any. We've got the future to contend with—not only your future and mine but the future of the Nisei generation and the coming generations of Japanese Americans. If we expect to be taken as an equal of any other citizen, we must be willing to fight for that right. That's why 4,000 of us are here in Shelby, training for that day we may prove by our action, our loyalty and love for this, our country. It's for that reason the now famed 100th Battalion is fighting so valiantly in one of the fiercest theatres of action at the present time. They haven't given up their trust in the goodness and fairness of America. They're laying down their lives every day to the realization of that day when we will no longer be looked upon with suspicion, but will be taken as loyal Americans. The members of our Combat team have not given up that faith in America—can you, the Nisei at home give up that faith? Surely, you'd be letting us down.

Minidoka has been known for producing the most volunteers, having the cleanest record, and showing the greatest enthusiasm by all in any drive for a good cause. Let's keep that up. Let's be known, we of the Northwest, as staunch supporters of the Government and having faith in this, our America.

If we had the chance to volunteer again, we'd do it again, and again.

We hate to see, naturally, so many Nisei being called all at once, but it's our turn now, the others have been subject to draft for three or four years now.

Sincerely,
PFC. TAK HIRAI
Co. F—442 Combat Team
Camp Shelby, Miss.

Kathleen Iseri Joins WAC In New York City; Trains In Fla.

NEW YORK—Declaring that she had "volunteered for the Women's Army Corps because I am proud of America and proud that I am an American citizen," Miss Kathleen Iseri, former Gila River resident employed as a secretary in the local WRA relocation office, left New York March 22 for basic training at Ft. Oglethorpe, Ga., following her induction last week into the WAC.

When she enlisted, Miss Iseri expressed preference for overseas duty. She departed for the WAC training camp exactly one year from the day she left Gila River to take a secretarial position in the leave section of the WRA headquarters in Washington, D. C. Two months later she was transferred to the WRA office in New York, which has granted her a military furlough.

Miss Iseri's mother, Mrs. Tomiye Iseri, and two younger brothers, George and Shig, still reside at Gila River. Her sister Marilyn is now completing her academic courses at Bayside, Long Island, high school preparatory to entering Genesee Hospital in Rochester, N. Y., for training in the U. S. Nurse Cadet Corps. Another brother, Ken, is employed in Washington, D. C., by the intelligence division of the Federal Communications Commission.

"True, I had to leave my home on the West Coast at the onset of

the war and live in a relocation center. But would Hitler or Tojo have given the opportunity to leave such a camp—to help establish new homes for the other Americans of Japanese ancestry, who, like myself, were evacuated from the West Coast? Would these Fascists have given me an opportunity to enjoy the privileges which are the rights of every citizen? I hardly think so. I have been deeply instilled with American sense of good sportsmanship and fair play.

"Needless to mention, there are thousands of American boys of Japanese ancestry serving in our armed forces, many of whom are fighting valiantly in the far-flung battlefields of the world today, and it is in the tradition which they have set that I, as a soldier in the United States Army, Women's Army Corps, shall proudly serve my country."

Miss Iseri enrolled recently in the evening division of New York university where she was studying English literature. She was in charge of the solicitation for contributions to the American Red Cross at the local WRA office during the fund-raising campaign this month and went "over the top" with her quota. On two occasions in recent months Miss Iseri donated blood to New York's Chinese blood bank.

She was born in Merritt Island, Calif., and was graduated in 1940 from Elk Grove, Calif., Union High

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In a maze of indecision while the April deadline nears, those who have yet to use their precious shoe stamp No. 18 are thumbing through Mademoiselle, the footwear sections of the new catalogs, and scanning the shops in hopeful anticipation.

Fashion breezes drifting into the style-stagnant air of the center bring the scent that "babydolls" are quite the vogue on the outside. These ankle-straps with the unusually shaped toes are strictly dress, and look as incongruous worn with anklets as any other dress shoe. That drawback coupled with the fact that ankle-strap tends to shorten an already too-short nisei leg would influence us to pass up the "baby doll" with our No. 18.

Another style that all but a "duration gal" might hesitate to use her stamp for is the wooden shoe. A far cry from Coast cities where the clomp, clomp warranted not even a passing glance, Inter-mountain city folk find such foot-wear an unusual "monstrosity" ... and who can blame them for staring?

Wearing wooden shoes is just like announcing, "I'm from Hunt," we are told, a relocatee. Inasmuch as to be seen walking down the street with wooden shoe wearers for their companion.

Least we seem commercially prejudiced we hasten to add that we find our pair of "dutchies" are just the thing for camp wear ... as testified by their evident popularity.

That prickly twinge

That meant our conscience that bothered us every time we used our faithful Underwood to plunk out a friendly letter has finally stopped its haunting. The medic prescribing the cure is our oft-consulted authority—Miss Emily Post.

Somewhere in the cobwebby recesses of one's mind, the belief was nurtured that a typewritten letter is not in good taste. That conviction was formed, says Miss Post, when typewriters were yet scarce and only available for business purposes, but in present day when such machines are readily accessible, it is not only entirely proper, but often a blessing to recipients to send neatly-typed letters.

Considering the relief which is placed upon our already over-burdened conscience with this enlightenment, a more extensive perusal of up-to-date do's and don'ts might be our next consideration.

We're one of those

unfortunate persons who have been caught with too many of those little red stamps. Since Sunday, the usefulness of two-cent stamps has become limited to the role of "little helper." With our stamp fund still of pre-March scarcity, letters and such to Blk. 44 or Blk. 1 must of necessity be verbally transmitted. Occasional indulgence in air mail extravagance will be very occasional indeed, with the rate upped to eight cents.

Regretful too, when red looked so well with my pale lilac stationery. Red and green on lilac is a bit too colorful.

Flash Flash! Flashy Flash!

They say that animals sometimes display an uncanny sense of the future. Maybe it was that, and maybe it wasn't. But it seems that a few dozen hens in the project farm broke their coos last night and laid eggs all over the area.

Could it be that they knew Easter was coming, and they wanted to help out Community Activities in their children's egg hunt?

Another flash brings us the unbelievable news that Hunt will nevermore have to suffer in dust storms. A certain glutinous product has been produced by science which, when sprayed over the camp, will form a thin layer of film which will dry up and form a hard crust, preventing any future up-rising of dust. The engineering department has bought large quantities of the product, and the spraying will start immediately.

All this ... isn't it wonderful? We think so too, if it only wasn't ... APRIL FOOL!!

Handiwork Exhibited

An exhibition of greasewood and home made furniture will be held in Area A, for three days starting today, reported the Community Activities. The place of the exhibit is Rec. 12.

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Two Nisei A.S.T.P. Students Featured By Post-Dispatch

Presented with a three-column cut of six A. S. T. P. students studying at Washington University located in St. Louis, Missouri, were stories of these six students, representing five ancestries, including one of Japanese ancestry and one of Japanese and Mexican ancestry, in the March 6 issue of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Giving a short sketch of Henry Hayashi, a student of Japanese ancestry, Helen Clanton wrote, "Harry Hayashi had received his degree in chemistry from the University of Colorado, and had just completed basic training at Camp Grant, Ill., when war was declared and the evacuation order went out from Washington. Harry was sent to the Japanese relocation camp at Camp Allen, Cal., but he didn't just sit around griping about his lot. 'I got a job as a laboratory technician in the camp hospital,' he recalls, 'and I really enjoyed the work'."

After three months, Harry was permitted to return to active duty as one of Uncle Sam's soldiers. He is studying German. Because his family's language at home is Spanish, he finds that all the Spanish students want to practice on him. "The fellows out here say 'How are you, senior?' 30 times a day, and 'buenos dias' even at night. But I don't mind, I practice my German on them."

Others featured include: Louis Hays, formerly a Mormon missionary to Germany; Walter Stein, an Austrian; Gus Gravis, also an Austrian; and Roy C. Wong, Chinese.

Scout Activities During Past Week

Girls Hold Bonfire

Girl Scouts Troop VII under the leadership of Norma Norisada held a bonfire near the canal off Blk. 2 last Friday night. To pass their time in building an outdoor fire quickly, each girl proved that she could light a fire with two matches and no paper under various adverse conditions.

The evening was spent enjoyably around the campfire singing songs and telling tall tales.

Cub Pack Dedication

The public is invited to attend the dedication of Cub Pack 31 on Monday, April 10, at Rec. 31 from 7 p. m. The dedication of Cub Pack, which also means an Advancement Day to 1st Wolf Rank will be directed by Rev. Tsutomu Fukuyama assisted by Scout Troop 123. Thirty-one Cubs will participate in stunts, songs, and will demonstrate what they have learned as Cubs.

Masquerade Held

Five Girl Scout Troops of Hunt will gather on April 15 for a hilarious time, according to reports. The scouts will come to this party disguised and prizes will be awarded for various unique masquerades. The Leaders of all the Troops will be responsible for the judges and the invitations. Troop I will be responsible for the songs, Troop II for color bearers, Troop IV and VII for the program. Refreshments will be in the hands of all Patrol Leaders.

Any further information may be obtained from Scout Leaders.

Professor Smith Visits Project

Visiting the project for a few days, Elmer Smith, assistant professor in anthropology and sociology at the University of Utah, left for Salt Lake City yesterday.

Professor Smith has been doing research work on persons of Japanese ancestry for the past five years. He is advisor to the nisei students at the University of Utah and associate director of the University-sponsored study of Japanese relocation in Utah. He has also worked for the past year and half on the Fair Employment Council of Utah.

"I was very impressed with the appearance of the center," Professor Smith said. He was particularly impressed with the sprawling appearance of the project saying that it gave him a feeling of the "wide open spaces," not the cramped feeling of certain other centers.

Miss M. Katagiri Weds Cpl. V. Izui

Miss Michi Katagiri, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Katagiri of Arlington, Illinois was married to Cpl. Victor Izui, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Izui, 41-3-F, in Chicago on March 20. The ceremony which took place in the office of the United Ministry to Resettlers of the Church Federation of Greater Chicago was performed by Rev. John M. Yamazaki and assisted by Rev. Daisuke Kitagawa.

Cpl. Izui resided in Seattle prior to evacuation and volunteered for the nisei Combat Team last year. The bride is formerly of Kent, Wash. Following the ceremony, the couple left for Hunt Idaho, to visit the groom's family.

Shiogi-Yoshitake Exchange Vows

The marriage of Miss Miye Shiogi, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kikuo Shiogi 31-6-C, to Frank Yoshitake, son of Mr. and Mrs. Taro Yoshitake, 44-2-E, took place last Sunday evening, at D. H. 44. The bride's only attendant was Miss Irene Shido as her maid of honor, while Roy Hada was the groom's best man. The ceremony was solemnized by the Rev. T. Terakawa.

About 100 guests were present at the reception which immediately followed the ceremony.

The bride is a former resident of Portland, Ore., while Mr. Yoshitake is an ex-Seattleite.

Mrs. Lucy Fujii Honored By Chicagoans

CHICAGO, Ill.—(Special)—Mrs. Lucy Fujii, the former Miss Yata-gaki of Hunt, was given a surprise birthday party on March 11 by her fellow office workers. Mrs. Fujii has worked for the Bloomfield Mfg. Co. for less than three weeks.

"They were just grand to me," she said. "It was such a big surprise. The party was given at the office. We had refreshments, and they gave me several lovely presents. I certainly didn't expect it, and I think it shows how friendly Chicago people are to the nisei."

Mrs. Fujii came to Chicago in December, 1943, and was married here that month. Her husband is from Hunt and works here for a food products company. The Fujis are originally from Seattle. Her parents live at Hunt.

Project Rec. Staff Declares Holiday

In observance of Good Friday, the Community Activities will close its offices. All recreation halls will be closed to all amusement activities on that day. The Area offices will also observe the church holiday.

Movie Schedule

"FOREVER AND A DAY," starring Anna Lee, Gene Lockhart, Reginald Owen, Ruth Warrick, Edw. Everett Horton, Ida Lupino, Merle Oberon and Donald Crisp.
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Tamura-Hamakami Troth Announced

Mr. R. Tamura, 26-11-G, announces the engagement of his only daughter, Connie, to Tomio Hamakami, son of Mr. Y. Hamakami, 16-3-F. Miss Tamura, a '43 graduate of Tri-State Hl. Tule Lake is formerly from Seattle. Her fiancé was a resident of Auburn, Wash., prior to the evacuation and was graduated from Auburn Hl in 1940.

No definite date has been set for the wedding.

Betrothal Told By Miss B. Masuda

Miss Bette Masuda, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Tanechiko Masuda of Tule Lake, Calif., announced her engagement to Masami Okada, son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaburo Okada of 12-9-A, at the home of her sister, Mrs. Joe Tanaka, in Heart Mountain, Wyoming. Close friends and relatives attended the announcement gathering.

Miss Masuda is a former resident of Auburn, Wash., while Mr. Okada comes from Tacoma, Wash.

Girl Reserves Sell Daffodils

The Girl Reserves are busily taking orders for fresh daffodils to raise funds to enable worthy girls to go to a conference this coming June at Payette Lakes, according to reports. A grand opportunity waits the first five girls getting the most orders, although others who may be interested are asked to see Mrs. R. Pomeroy at 22-8-D and E. Information may also be obtained at the Community Activities Office.

A meeting is scheduled for the Area B Girl Reserves and all those interested in joining the club tomorrow from 1:30 p. m. at Rec. 31. Meeting in Area A will be held at Rec. 6 Sunday at 1:30 p. m. All interested girls are urged to attend.

Wildlife Site Set Up Near Blk. 15

A 300-yard square, located on the north side of Blks. 13, 15 and 17 will be set aside as a "Wild Life Conservation Site," reported G. Mizuki, engineering department employee, who makes wild life his hobby.

In order that the site will be kept as natural as possible, residents are asked to cooperate by refraining from building fires in this area, digging up sagebrush roots and wild onions, or mutilating the wild plants.

Starting from the guard tower located just north of Blk. 15, the area will run 300 yards westward, then 300 yards northward. Signs will be placed in the near future designating the area to be preserved.

*The Ten Thousand

S. H. 38 was the scene of a lively jam session Saturday evening with Club 39 inviting as their guests the young people of Blk. 44. Some 100 people enjoyed an evening of good refreshments and dancing to smooth music.

The annual "Stomp" will be sponsored by the Blk. 8 Young People's Club in an Easter version "Cottontail Stomp" on April 8 at 8 p. m. Those who attended last year's "Spring Fever Stomp" will again want to attend this ever successful affair.

Honoring Connie Tamura and Tomio Hamakami who were recently engaged, approximately 30 close friends held a party in S. H. 6 last Monday evening. Refreshments and dancing filled the evening's program.

Bidding farewell to John Bigelow, reports officer, who is awaiting his call from the Navy, the IRRIGATOR staff held a party in his honor Thursday afternoon.

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Jennie Ishikawa Finds New Ability; Wins Many Friends In Kansas City

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—Miss Jennie Ishikawa's ever-smiling countenance is a quality that has lately been enhanced by her new-found ability to lecture student groups in Kansas City high schools.

Jennie is a recent addition to the staff of WRA in this city, having arrived here December 15 with her sister, Kay, from Pocono, Arizona. During the past month, in addition to her regular duties, she has talked before more than 500 girls in six of Kansas City's high schools. Her talks are simply about her own experiences during the evacuation and life in the centers. She sometimes uses pictures which lend emphasis to her verbal descriptions. Her sponsors, the Girl Reserves of the YWCA, with club affiliations in 17 schools here, attest to this newly discovered ability by clamoring for additional

"Let's Dance"

Rendezvous In Pastel

Heralding the advent of Easter with a maze of spring colors, Blk. 17 will be spotlighted with their widely anticipated "Rendezvous in Pastel," on April 8 at the dining hall. The doors will open at 8 p. m. and continued fun is guaranteed until 12 p. m.

Tempting refreshments served by a bevy of pretty girls and door prizes to the lucky ones will be just a few of the highlights of the evening, according to Yosh Mori, active club officer.

A limited number of bids are still available from the sponsors. Couples only will be admitted. "We are offering nothing spectacular or gigantic, extra-special or catchy. But we are guaranteeing a good, wholesome, enjoyable dance, smooth music, and a good time. 'Rendezvous in Pastel' is the name," plugged Mori.

Easter Serenade

A sudden change to sunny atmosphere will be found at D. H. 29 on Saturday, April 8, when Club 29 and the 30 Dokans jointly sponsor their "Easter Serenade" dance. The doors will open at 8 p. m. and will last until 11:30. Making the evening exciting is the drawing for the lucky numbers of door prizes.

Bids are available from members of Club 29 or the 30 Dokans.

Mock Marriage

A lovely way to spend an evening is promised by the Young People's Club of Blk. 21 at their "Mock Marriage" dance at the "Midtown Ballroom" (D. H. 21) tonight. Sweet and mellow music for those who like it slow, and jittery and jittery music for those who like it fast are promised.

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The Des Moines Register
Chit-Chats

Ohio State's swimming star from Hawaii, Keo Nakama, won the 1500 yard event in 20:22 to set a new National Collegiate athletic association record. . . . Denver-bound Mac "Fleazy" Olkazaki, left immediately after receiving a telegram to be on hand for the Wednesday night annual Denver basketball tournament. . . . P. S. All traveling expenses paid. . . . Well-liked, popular lad Johnny Okamoto, attending Winfield College, Kansas, passed his pre-physical in flying fashion. Johnny will be back home soon. . . . trophies for the winners of the recent camp-wide ping pong tournament have arrived, and will be awarded to the winners at the "Showdown," we hear. . . . Madison Square Garden N. Y. invitational tournament—none nisi Walt Misaka of U. of Utah made the long journey. Walt got his share of points at the "Garden." . . . ah, spring is here. . . . that means one thing. . . . ever popular German, crew, butch or G. I. haircuts are in the air again. . . . but remember there will still be seen around the camp, duck-tails, pa-chuques, wraps and palas. . . . recall these two names sparking on high school teams not so long ago? Johnny Yoshida, Garfield man, and Paul Hiyama, Queen Anne? . . . These boys were both awarded a Big "C" and "K." Johnny was basketball winner at Carleton College, Minn., and Paul won his letter in basketball at Kalamazoo College, Mich. . . . the high spot of the other night was the Bk. 35 field. . . . Minidoka ball fans witnessed a well-earned victory, the first non-

schedule softball game. Otee's defeated the No Name team 8 to 5. "Panchito" Nakashima and "Junkie" Ikeda both pulled a home-run for the winners. . . . basketball is still in the limelight this week. The championship win of the Church of All Nations' basketball league, New York, saw three outstanding Minidokans supporting the team to a victory; Shig "All-City" Murao, Juggo Hata and Nobu Sato. . . . pending completion of the Bk. 35 basketball court, the Area B league will start definitely in April, states Duke Tanaka, chairman. . . . at the letter awarding assembly at Emmett High School, coach Ken Carberry presented big "E" award to Yoashimi Hosoda, who played an important role in the class "A" semi-final southern Idaho tournament. . . . congrats to Goro Todo, Ray Mitsudo, and James Kuga, winners of the cross country race. . . . hats off to Ben Kamihara who led his Vale High School team in the recent Eastern Oregon championship play-off. Vale dropped the heart breaker by a couple of points against Pendleton High. . . . all-around athlete Edward Miyamasu, native of Hawaii, candidate for the U. of Illinois baseball team, plays 3rd and outfield. Ed reached the semi-finals in the Golden Gloves last year. . . . keep a sharp eye on this up and coming softball team, No Name. Captain and player Hank Ito is a former Gresham high baseball star. The team is composed of all Portlanders with the exception of two Seattleites, star players George Nakagawa and Ken Yasuda of the Cadets.

Marble Tourney Held Saturday

A marble tourney composed of two divisions was held last Saturday, 2 p. m., at the Bk. 8 playfield, according to John Hamakami, area official.

The 11 years and under division was won by Henry Ozaki with Jim Terada and Fred Fushima as runner-ups, while the 12 to 13 years division was won by Jim Nakamura, with Tetsuo Imai and Tadao Watanabe as runner-ups.

With the Rec. staff furnishing some 160 marbles, the participants were allowed to keep all the marbles won as prizes.

IN APPRECIATION

We wish to thank our friends who contributed so greatly to our consolation at the time of our recent bereavement, and to acknowledge the flowers and other expressions of sympathy.

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Cost of Sales	47,164.18
Gross Operating Income	13,768.59
Expenses:	
Selling Expenses	2,295.86
General Expense	489.43
Administrative Expenses	1,049.72
Total Expense	3,835.01
Net Operating Income	9,933.58
Other Income and Expense:	
Other Income	624.66
Other Expense	98.97
Net Other Income	525.69
Net Earnings for the Month of February, 1944	\$ 10,459.27

Winners of Cross Country Run



Above are the nine winners and officials of the Cross Country Run sponsored by the Wolverine Club last Friday afternoon, March 24. Pictured left to right are: First row—midwest division winners—Teddy Yamada, 3rd place; Goro Todo, 1st place; Jack Hirai, 2nd place. Second row—junior division winners—Harry Nagaoaka, 2nd place; Ray Mitsudo, 1st place; Roy Uenishi, 3rd place; Kiyoshi Hoshida, ass't. P. E. director. Third row—senior division winners—Jack Murakami, 2nd place; Jim Kuga, 1st place; Ted Iida, 3rd place. Extreme left, Joseph G. Beeson, relocation officer; extreme right, Morris Roth, P. E. Director.

Mah Jong Tourney Held In Area A

A camp-wide Mah Jong tournament sponsored by Norio Izumi of the Area A Rec. staff, was held last Sunday from 1 p. m. to 11 p. m., with a total of 52 players participating, according to John Hamakami, area official.

Name	Block	Points
1. Kihara	19	11,600
2. Matsudaira	8	9,750
3. Doi	1	8,200
4. Takeda	3	6,760
5. Kono	19	6,350
6. Nakashima	8	4,820
7. Furukawa	12	4,620
8. Yanagita, Area B		3,670
10. Funakubo	1	3,210

Airmail Rates Now Eight Cents

Reporting that numerous airmail letters still are being posted with 6-cent stamps, the post office issues a reminder to all residents that new regulations effective as of March 26, 1944, stipulate the airmail rate as 8 cents per ounce. Local mail rates have been changed from 2 cents to 3 cents, also effective as of March 26, according to S. Okumura, postmaster.

Sunday Church Activities

UNITED BUDDHIST

SUNDAY: Young People's Devotional Service, 9:30 a. m., Rec. 13. Rev. Terakawa; Rec. 36, Rev. Sugimoto. Sunday schools, 10:30 a. m., Rec. 13, Rev. Terakawa; Rec. 36, Rev. Sugimoto. Adult meeting, 2 p. m., Rec. 13, Rev. Sugimoto; Rec. 36, Rev. Terakawa. HUNT SHINSHU BUDDHIST: April 1, 7:30 p. m., Rec. 36, Adult Worship by Rev. Terao; April 2, 10 a. m., Rec. 13, Young People's Devotional Service by Rev. Terao; Classic Music Concert, Tchaikovsky's "Violin Concerto in D Minor" from 9:45; Sunday School Service, 11 a. m.; Rec. 13; Adult Worship, 7:30 p. m., Rec. 13.

WESAK WEEK: April 3-9 (Buddha's Birthday Festival). April 3 and 4, Visiting hospital patients; April 5, Women's Conference; April 6, Bussel Nite, D. H. 37, April 7, Issei Forum—"Future of Buddhism in America"; April 8, Grand Ceremony, Area A, Rec. 13; April 9, Grand Ceremony, Area B, Rec. 36.

CATHOLIC CHURCH

SUNDAY: Sunday Mass, 8 a. m., Rec. 22; Catechism Class after Mass, Catholic Church Library. Benediction, 7:30 p. m., Catholic Church Library. MONDAY: Genkokai, 2 p. m., Catholic Church Library; Vincentians, 7:30 p. m., Block 8. WEDNESDAY: Lenten Devotions, 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

PALM SUNDAY SERVICES: High School Classes, 9:30 a. m., D. H. 12 and Rec. 34; English Worship, 10:45 a. m., Dedication and baptismal service for babies will be observed at both services, Rec. 8, "Ye Are My Friends," E. W. Thompson; Rec. 34, "The Meaning of the Cross," T. Fukuyama. EVENING FELLOWSHIP: A joint meeting of the Area B Fellowship and the Christian Candlelighters will be held at Rec. 36 from 7 p. m. Topic: "Stories of Great Christian Hymns." Senior Fellowship meets at 44-12-D from 6:30 p. m.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES, April 7, Nisei Worship and communion services, 1:30 p. m., Rec. 8 and Bk. 32-12. Isais will observe Good Friday services in the afternoon at Rec. 34 and in the evening at Bk. 10-12.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

WEST END: 10-12, 8 a. m., Holy Eucharist with Sermon, Fr. Kitagawa; 10:30 a. m., Church School. EAST END: 32-12, 9:30 a. m., Holy Eucharist with Sermon, Fr. Kitagawa; 10:30 a. m., Church School.

SUN VALLEY STAGES

New Bus Schedule Effective April 1, 1944

Leaving Hunt for Twin Falls	Leaving Twin Falls for Hunt
*8:00 a. m.	*7:00 a. m.
9:00 a. m. via Jerome	7:00 a. m. via Jerome
1:30 p. m.	10:30 a. m.
5:20 p. m. via Jerome	3:30 p. m. via Jerome
*5:20 p. m.	*4:30 p. m.
11:35 p. m.	10:30 p. m. via Jerome
Leaving Hunt for Shoshone: 11:30 a. m.	
Leaving Shoshone for Hunt: 12:45 p. m.	
Connection to Hunt at Jerome: 7:30 a. m., 3:55 p. m., and 11:00 p. m.	
Leaving Hunt for Eden and Hazelton: 8:00 a. m. and 4:25 p. m.	
Connection to Hunt at Eden: 8:40 a. m. and 5:10 p. m.	
Connection to Hunt at Hazelton via Eden: 8:30 a. m. and 4:55 p. m.	
* No service on Sunday.	

Former Minidokans Star in Casaba Tourney In N. Y.

NEW YORK, March 21.—Led by Shig Murao, former Minidokan and Seattle All-City high school star, the basketball "A" team representing the Japanese American Young People's Christian Federation of New York, won the championship of the eight team basketball league. The league was sponsored by the Church of All Nations in the heart of New York's lower East Side.

The Japanese American team, one of the two entered in the tournament by the Federation and known as its "A" team, downed the powerful Dukes, defending titlists by a score of 33 to 14 to take the pennant in the final and deciding tilt of the season. The game was played in the Church of All Nations gymnasium.

The "A" team won the championship with 11 wins and 3 losses, while the "B" team landed in seventh place with 3 wins and 11 losses.

Other tournament teams included one consisting entirely of boys of Chinese ancestry and five teams on which most of the players were of Jewish, Italian, Russian and Polish extraction.

An all-star team of players of Japanese and Chinese origin were to have opposed a Caucasian all-star team in a benefit game, March 31 in the Church of All Nations gymnasium. The proceeds of a dance which climaxed the evening, is to be used to send underprivileged East Side youngsters to summer camps.

Other Minidokans representing the "A" team are Juggo Hata, Nobie Sato and Toke Fujihira, ex-Seattleite, manager of the team.

Kite Flying Can Be Hazardous

"A hazardous condition exists throughout the entire project when kite-flying is practiced," it was cautioned this week by W. I. Johnson, chief electrician.

When kites become entangled in the primary wires, which carry 12,000 volts, there is danger of severe burns or death by electrocution for those who are holding the kite strings. In addition, during a rain storm, kites caught in the primary wires will cause wires to burn down due to short circuit, warned Johnson.

The leagues are as follows, with age limits as of April 1:
1. Pee Wee—13 and under.
2. Junior—14 to 16.
3. Girls—no age limit.
4. Seniors—17 and up.

Coin Purse Found

The post office is in possession of a coin purse, containing small change, and also some mittens. Owners are asked to get in touch with S. Okumura, postmaster.

Railroad Seeks Track Laborers

The Oregon and Northwestern Railroad company at Hines, Oregon, wishes to hire about 12 men for track laborers. The work day is nine hours. Workers are paid \$6 1/2 cents an hour for the first eight hours and time and a half for overtime.

Interested persons are requested to contact Frank Eki, Bk. 30-8-D.

Evacuee Property Officer Position Open

There is an opening for the position of Evacuee Property Officer in the Evacuee Property Section which should be filled immediately. The Personnel Division announced this week. The person should understand both English and Japanese. The position involves the preparation of forms and letters regarding Evacuee Property both to residents in the centers and offices outside.

An older person is desired for the position but as it is of great importance to the residents and other applicants will be considered. All interested people are requested to contact the Personnel Office for an interview.

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province of Ontario, Canada, to take their physical examination last month. The two Reno men were accepted but the two Ontario men were rejected for medical reasons.

The breakdown of the 440 men called from Hunt for their pre-induction physical examination since the resubstitution of nisei draft reveals: 227 have been accepted; 109 rejected; 10 inducted; 2 volunteered and 2 failed to report. The remaining 90 are unaccounted for, reporting for their examination at points other than Hunt.

Toash Ichihara, who volunteered for the Army Language School in Camp Savage, Minn., left Tuesday for training, reported McLaughlin. Marion Toshio Iwanamoto was accepted after taking his pre-induction examination on March 23, a late report reveals.

Weather Report

	Max.	Min.
March 23	46	24
March 24	42	11
March 25	33	12
March 26	28	7

Parolees Join Their Families

Parolees arrived from the Santa Fe Detention Camp last Thursday to rejoin their families here. The returned internees are Shigeru Aoki and George Manabu Taniguchi.

Jinsaburo Kishida was paroled to this project from Kooskia Internment Camp and arrived here Thursday.

Ten parolees from Santa Fe are expected to arrive here this afternoon, according to the Social Welfare division. They are: Man-kichi Sugimura, Senichi Tomihiro, Masaaki Ueda, Naotchi Ishibashi, Suburo Sunohara, Ichi Kiso, Yasugi Imaizumi, Hisato Fujii, Shun-ichi Kono and Kiyoshi Fukami.

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MINIDOKA CONSUMERS' COOPERATIVE

Hunt, Idaho

BALANCE SHEET AS OF FEBRUARY 29, 1944

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS:	
Cash	\$ 71,446.69
Deposit and Advances on Order	1,125.30
Defense Stamps	104.40
Commission Receivable—Estimate	121.16
Merchandise Inventory	78,707.45
Total Current Assets	\$149,506.00
Investments	115.51
Fixed Assets	9,637.52
Prepaid Items	518.93
TOTAL ASSETS	\$159,777.96

LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITIES

CURRENT LIABILITIES:	
Payable—Checks Rec'd for Collection and Safekeeping	\$ 17,407.64
Notes Payable—Nat'l Cash Register Co.	577.30
Accounts Payable and Mtdse. Certificate	30,197.51
Accrued Liabilities	4,983.90
Total Current Liabilities	\$ 53,166.35
Deferred Credits	141.82
Total Liabilities	53,308.17
MEMBERS' EQUITIES	
Memberships and Part Payments	13,872.19
Deferred Patronage Refunds	6,348.26
Total Members' Equities	20,220.45
RESERVES:	
Reserve for Educational Purposes	56.28
Unallocated General Reserve	4,632.83
Net Savings for the Period of April 1, 1943 to February 29, 1944	81,560.23
Total reserves	86,249.34
Total Members' Equities and Reserves	106,469.79
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITIES	\$159,777.96