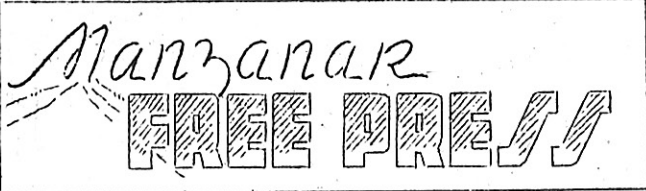


# 400 FIGHT FIRE



## FLAMES SPREAD OVER WIDE AREA

Fanned by strong, almost gale-like wind a fire of undisclosed origin swept over an estimated 2,000 acres of sage and brush a mile southwest of the center Sunday afternoon and periled the Reynolds farm and ranch house before the local fire crew aided by volunteers from the center brought it under control. 400 VOLUNTEERS

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## RESIDENTS MAY SEE JAPANESE PICTURE

Although a definite schedule of showings for the Japanese film "Chi-Chi" (Father) has not been drawn as yet, plans making it possible for all residents to view the picture is being contemplated.

Seijiro Betsuin, head of the Co-op Movies, disclosed that since requests are so great the management is furthering a schedule which will take in all the blocks. "Chi-Chi" is a story of a conflict between the two men for the custody and love of a boy, son of one and foster son of the other. Abandoned by the former when a baby the boy is adopted and brought up by the latter. The climax comes when the real father returns to claim the boy. A silent picture, a raconteur or "benshi" is needed to interpret the story and Richard Hashimoto and Jack Sakaguchi are practicing hard at present to fill the role.

### EXTRA SHOWINGS

Also announced was that the present film, "Eagle Squadron," will be given a few extra showings to allow more people to see the film. Showings for blocks 8, 2, 9 and 3 have been advanced a day and block 10 and 4 for tonight and blocks 5, 11, 12 and 6 added for tomorrow.

Betsuin also disclosed that tickets distributed to the blocks are for such blocks only and that those who do not wish to use the tickets return them, not pass them on to others. This will prevent overcrowding, he said, and make it better for all concerned. Although two machines are not always available, since repairing and overhauling work prevents usage of both at all times, Betsuin said that the management is trying their best to show the pictures to as many people as possible.

## PIONEERS PLAN BIG PROGRAM

Although schedules are not definite as yet, plans are being advanced rapidly under the supervision of George Murakami for the anniversary program which is to be held on Saturday and Sunday between firebreaks 14 and 15 if weather permits.

The original volunteers will be met on Saturday 5:30 p.m. at Mess Hall 1 in commemoration of this event. Tentatively scheduled for this occasion are athletic events, a talent show, a movie, and a special Sunday dinner. Further announcements are forthcoming.

## SHADY CAMPUS STUDENT'S DREAM

Dreams will become a reality for the school students here when their "campus" is landscaped. They are actually going to have a shady campus with beautiful green lawns adjoining the buildings according to Robert J. Fowler, agriculture teacher for Manzanar High.

### LAWNS FOR CAMPUS

Pine trees which were brought from the neighboring hills now line the entrance of all the buildings and locust trees will be planted in between them. Lawns will be planted on the campus, except for a driveway on either side of the latrines and a walk to the classrooms which will keep the premises cooler and less dusty, Fowler said.

Quick action by the fire department and nearly 400 volunteers confined serious damage to one lone haystack. The fire was not discovered and reported until it had gained considerable headway, Chief Fire Protection Officer Frank E. Hon, disclosed. With the high wind, which prevailed Sunday, the dry grass and brush caught quickly, and although the fire department responded immediately, the conflagration had reached immense proportion before the crews could rush to the scene.

Although handicapped by scarcity of tools for fighting brush fires the fire crews and the volunteers made up the lack by extra energy and diligence. Chief Hon had nothing but praise for the men who fought the blaze for over four hours before bringing it under control.

### WIND SHIFTS

"The shifting winds made it extremely hazardous for the boys," Hon said. "One minute the fire would be heading one way and the next it would turn and some times nearly trap the boys. It was really lucky that none of the boys were hurt. Except for some singed hair there were no casualties," Hon reported.

The fire was first reported a little after 3 p.m. Sunday afternoon and was under control by 7. Despite the dust clouds raised by the wind which darkened the sky, the blaze and smoke could be witnessed by crowds of residents from the center. Patrols under Hon and Assistant Officer Ira G. Carpenter were formed and kept vigils throughout.

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## ANZAI, NEW CHAIRMAN

Kiyoharu Anzai, the new permanent chairman of the Block Managers' Assembly, was formally introduced and installed to his office at the regular Town Hall meeting Friday.

The new chairman, residing at 34-3-5, is a graduate of U.S.C., University of California at Berkeley and University of Waseda, Japan. Holding degrees for Bachelor and Master of Arts as well as a degree in Master of Divinity, Anzai has been active in social service fields of work for the past 26 years.

Anzai succeeds John Aono, who resigned from the post, since heavy block manager duties prevented him from carrying the double load effectively.

## SENIOR OFFICERS

The first general meeting of the Senior Bee class was held at 29-15 recently. Class officers were elected and the results are as follows: Mitsuru Otsuji, president; Yoshiaki Nakayama, boys' vice-president; Mary Kageyama, girls' vice-president; Hiromu Nakamura, treasurer; Fumi Yotsukura, secretary; and Ralph Adachi, historian.

### FIRE STORY— (Continued)

out the night.

"It was fortunate that the fire was confined to grass and brush covered areas," Chief Hon declared, "and the danger to the community was averted." He reiterated the oft repeated warning that residents must be extremely careful to observe fire prevention rules and cautions since fire hazards here are very high.

Thanks to all the volunteers, including many appointed personnel and Captain Martyne Hall of the Military Police were extended by Hon. Emergency crews from the Public Works Division, the Agriculture, Motor Pool, the Police as well as individuals were lauded for their speedy and efficient help.

## NEW NUGGETS...

### JUNIOR HI-Y MEET

Twenty-three charter members of the Manzanar Junior Hi-Y held their first meeting at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday night in 19-15.

Officers elected were: Miyoshi Sakamoto, president; Shigeo Ogawa, vice-president; Fred Sakuda, secretary; Tadama Ushijima, treasurer; and Johnny Kimura and Willy Fukuhara, sergeant-at-arms.

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### PRE KENDO CLASS

Setting the pace, Block 17 will begin a pre-lesson kendo class for beginners beginning Saturday at 10 a.m. and daily from 6:30 to 6:45 a.m. thereafter disclosed Director Neena. Registration will begin Saturday from 10 a.m. to 12 in

This is a block affair but any beginner who is vitally interested is welcome.

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### CHANGE OF TIME

Current events class held in Mess Hall 9 on Wednesday evenings from 7 p.m. for this week only will be changed to Friday evening at the same time and locale, announced Choyei Kondo, instructor.

Now current events class will be held in Mess Hall 22 every Monday from 7 p.m.

## HELLCATS NAB 30-28 CAGER

The Blk. 14 Hellcats who started off their Bee casaba season by dropping four straight tiffs and then came back to win the next five, pulled a fast one Monday by squeezing a 30-28 triumph over the once loop leading Vandals.

The cager was closely fought throughout all four quarters with the Hellcats taking the half-time lead by a 14-13 score. Sus Myose slipped the ball through the bucket for 9 points in the first half and eventually took high digit laurels with 13.

Winners' George Eguichi was the second period hero with his 8 markers while sub Jim Tamai contributed 6. Myose was held down to a cool 4 markers in the lat-

## Around the town... with MICHIKO

Today is Saint Patrick's day when all good Hibernians celebrate. Shure, and how many Manzanites are affected by the occasion is a matter of conjecture. However, I noticed one person with an Irish leaning if not an antecedent, who was sporting a homemade green carnation in honor of the day.

And the center had at one time a very active sporting and recreational club with a catchy cognomen of "the House of the Irish."

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Probably many of the residents--especially the lovers--have noticed an extra, brilliant star appearing in the western sky. It is very appropriate that the lovers notice it since the star, or rather planet, is named after the goddess of love. For the edification of the curious the planet is Venus.

For those interested in astronomy James Stokley's article "Venus Brightens" in the Science News Letter will be of special interest.

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Graceful, handmade Japanese dolls in colorful kimonos highlight Block 14 of office exhibit. In various dancing poses, these clever dolls are made by Mrs. Shimo of the block.

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Of interest to students may be the announcement that the 22 duPont post graduate chemistry fellowships worth \$750 are now open to women also. Award are placed in 21 universities to throughout the country.

ter half.	Vandals (28)	Hellcats (30)
	Takimoto, f	Nakano, 4
	Myose, 13 f	Eguchi, 12
	Adachi, 3 c	Takayama, 2
	Ikeda, g	Aoyama
	Hayashida, 4 g	Womatsu
	Subs-Vandals-Nakata, 8;	
	Hellcats-Tamai, 12.	

### BIG TIPP IN SMALL LOOP

The YMA's two undefeated casaba nights will collide highlighting this Saturday morning battles in the midge league, when the Pedro Skippers vie for the crown against the equally tough Cagers from block 24 way. Time slated is 9:30 a.m. at court 22.