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FROM HILO TO GILA AND A JOB IN ELGIN



This girl of Japanese ancestry, an American citizen, came from Hilo, Hawaii, to Los Angeles to complete her training as a laboratory technician, then was evacuated with all the people of Japanese descent from the Pacific coast. After living in a relocation center, she came to Elgin Hospital to work.

Priority Request Procedure Given

Because the WRA is unable to extend preference rating assistance granted to it by the War Production Board to evacuees for their personal use, a procedure to be followed by residents of this center when in need of priority has been released by Edward G. Chester, acting Priorities Officer, recently.

Following procedures have been worked out with the WPB as a result of individual application from this center which have been received in Los Angeles.

1. The evacuee prepares a letter on his own stationery and as an individual, addressed to Mr. L. F. Dix, District Priorities Chief, P. D.-1A Section, War Production Board, 1031 South Broadway, Los Angeles, 15, California.
2. This letter is reviewed by the division or department head employing the evacuee, and a signed statement of approval or disapproval is attached by the division or department head. 3. This letter is then sent by the department to the priority officer for checking and recommendation to the WPB. 4. The evacuee, upon notification from the priority board officer, calls at the office and makes out the required PD-1A form for application for priority assistance. 5. The completed form, with the letter and recommendation attached is then forwarded by the priority officer to the Los Angeles WPB who will process the application.

REMEMBER THE RED CROSS!

JULY 4 CARNIVAL PLANS COMPLETE

Not to be outdone by other centers in presenting a carnival to the residents, Manzanar will hold its carnival July 4 and 5, supervised by the Community Activities Department.

An advisory board consisting of Bernice Silver, Hospital; Sally Kusayanagi, YWCA; Paul Ueyemura, YMCA; Reverend Jun Fujimori, Christian Church; Pete Mitsui, Buddhist Church; Kiyoshi Higashi, Police; and Kiyoharu Anzai, Town Hall; will be in charge of the fund and will have full charge of the expenditures of the money made from the carnival.

Money received by department will help carry on the various activities such as handcraft, needlecraft, victory garden, girls sports, and mens sports.

All participants in this forthcoming gala affair will be responsible for decorations, food, prizes and other items which will be necessary for their booth. They will also be responsible for the removal and cleaning of the booth after the carnival. Each organization will assume its own responsibility in case of loss and damage.

PARCELS

There are packages at the Parcel Delivery, 1-15-2, waiting to be claimed. It was announced by Helen Scroggins, clerk. There is an insured package for H. Hiraoaka from John F. Daly and one for Takajiro Urashibata from Sears, Roebuck.

SAVE YOUR CO-OP RECEIPTS REBATES ARE COMING!

Curfew Legality Upheld by Court

WASHINGTON, D.C., June 26—Legality of curfew in the Pacific coast defense area, prompted by military necessity and imposed by the army commander, was sustained unanimously by the Supreme Court in its decision read by Chief Justice Harlan F. Stone.

While acknowledging that distinctions between citizens on the basis of their ancestry is odious to free people, the nation's highest court opined that imposition of curfew on alien Japanese as well as niseis could not be regarded as infringement of constitutional rights—a point raised by the appellants, Gordon Hirabayashi of Seattle and Minoru Yasui of Oregon. Attorney for the latter, A. L. Wirin, argued that racial prejudice on the part of Lt. Gen. J. L. DeWitt, chief of the Western Defense Command, was responsible for the regulation. Actually, of course, he was empowered to order curfew by President Roosevelt, who issued an executive order authorizing military commanders to exclude persons from military zones if this action should be regarded as necessary.

A notable phase of this Supreme Court decision, which was not entirely unexpected, was the fact that it was the unanimous view of all nine justices. Thus, there were no dissenting opinion read by any one of them.

Merritt Stresses 8-Hour Importance

Speaking before the various messhall chefs and timekeepers this week at Messhall 22, Project Director Ralph P. Merritt gave a vivid account of his first plane trip to Washington, D.C.

"As I rode through the air on my first plane trip to Washington, I noticed places, previously barren, now transformed into great war industrial centers," Merritt declared.

"On the other hand, there were millions of acres of farming grounds which were left uncultivated which I presumed was due to labor shortages. There were other millions of acres of farming grounds which were left in ruin by floods."

350 ACRES

In disclosing this, Merritt warned that this will have a direct bearing upon the food supplies of this nation, our allies and upon the residents here and revealed that this center is therefore cultivating 350 acres of land in order to prepare for future food shortages.

Due to this present crisis, Merritt asked that everyone cooperate by working their full 8 hours. "All of us, eventually, are going out to make our own living," he warned. "We must therefore decide whether we're going to be lazy or make a success of ourselves."

In regards to repatriation, Merritt said, "The government is now planning to send 1800 Japanese back to Japan this summer. Of this, 1000 have already been accepted. The remaining 800 will be chosen from the ten different centers and those chosen must first have the approval of the Japanese Government. It is therefore hard to enumerate just how many will be accepted from this center."

Santa Fe Internee Camp Swept By Fire; All Escape Injury

SANTA FE, N. M., June 23—A disastrous fire today swept the Japanese internment camp on the northern edge of Santa Fe where 5000 Japanese are interned. Government officials immediately opened an investigation to determine the cause of the blaze. All of the internees and camp employees escaped injury. Destroyed by the flames were the camp laundry, dining hall, kitchen, recreation hall, store houses and two barracks.

Santa Fe firemen were handicapped in their efforts by a lack of water. Exploding cans of food simulated gun fire during the blaze and added to the excitement.

Joseph Grew States Common Japanese In Japan Hates War

LEXINGTON, Kentucky, June 26—"The common people of Japan, who support their government body and soul, did not seek this war," said Joseph Grew, former Ambassador to Japan in a recent speech at the University of Kentucky. "They do not have for us the long-standing hatred which mars the relationship of some pairs of groups of Western nations. In my many years in Japan, I found that most of the ordinary men and women of Japan—men and women of all social classes and of all regions—were friendly toward America. They showed, time and again, a true courtesy and friendliness which in some cases became devoted friendship and personal loyalty."

"The war against China and the war against the Japanese people were the same campaign," the former Ambassador continued, "run by the same men from the same headquarters; the War Office, elites and all dreaded the use of constitutionalism and who fought by every means, fair or foul, to keep the foreign war going as a means of promoting the domestic struggle for totalitarianism, dictatorship and enslavement."

Speaking of the united effort by which the Allies are turning their defeats into victory in all parts of the world, Mr. Grew said: "I submit to you that never before in history has there been an alliance of fighting peoples."

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'Nice Weather Here In Camp,' States Soldier

"That was nuttin' compared to what we have down yonda in Louisiana," commented Cpl. Mitsunji when asked what he thought of the "mild dust storm" which swept through Manza Resort over the weekend. According to this former Terminal Island dough-boy on furlough from Camp Polk, Louisiana, the frequent storms they encounter back in the army camp is nothing shy of terrific.

This nice lad who has been serving in Uncle Sammy's armed forces since November, 1941, spent his 10-day furlough here in camp visiting his brother at 9-6-2. During his abbreviated stay here, Cpl. Ueyematsu has taken a liking for the whole set-up, especially the picturesque mountains enclosing this valley. Highlighting his long excursion into Inyo County was his overnight stay in Los Angeles.

One of the nine soldiers on furlough from Camp Savage, Minn., Corporal Koji Ariyoshi is now visiting his wife at 22-1-4.

Originally from Hawaii, Ariyoshi worked as longshoreman during his school days. Receiving a scholarship at the University of Georgia, he majored in journalism. Hoping to return to his home the corporal worked in San Francisco when war broke out.

He was evacuated to Manzanar where he took active part in the community organization. Volunteering for Camp Savage, he left in December, 1942 for Minnesota.

General feeling of the Minnesotans is entirely different from the people on the West Coast, declared Ariyoshi and he urged residents to relocate in the East or Middlewest.

Other men in uniforms are volunteers from Manzanar who returned for their furlough from Ft. Douglas, Utah, Yoshio Takahashi, Jun Yamamoto, Henry Tsuchiya, Burns Arikawa and Susumi Ohashi. From Camp Savage, Minnesota are Sgt. Koichi Shibuya, Cpl. Shori Hiraide, Cpl. Toichi Ichimura, Cpl. Nobuo Yamashita, Cpl. Yurikichi Ikemura, Cpl. Hiroshi Osaka, Cpl. Tomochiro Watanabe, Cpl. Shigetō Toyoshima and Cpl. Frank Ishida.

Washington Issues Reply To Dies Allegations

By carrying on a "count the chickens before they hatch" method of reporting, the nation's press have been publishing numerous statements on the WRA and its program allegedly made by members, investigators, and "spokesmen" of the Dies Committee hearings while the investigation has been in progress—and to some extent even before it was fairly under way, Washington office of War Relocation Authority declares in a statement this week.

Although some of these statements are true; some are completely without foundation in fact and others are compound of half-truths blended with either careless reporting, slipshod investigating, or deliberate distortion. Therefore the Authority has taken time to select some of the more flagrantly inaccurate statements attributed to representatives of the Committee and has prepared factual comment on them.

RATIONING RESTRICTIONS

"Both alien and American-born evacuees are being fed so well through the Quartermaster Depot of the Army that they are sending packages of butter, coffee and other rationed food to friends outside the center." (Statement allegedly contained in a report submitted by field investigators

of the committee.) Comment: As the War Relocation Authority has pointed out on numerous occasions, evacuees at relocation centers are subject to the same rationing restrictions as all other civilians in the United States. No evidence has been found to prove that any evacuee has ever sent any rationed food or other goods outside the centers. If this were done, it could be done only at the expense of the sender's rationed allowance.

NO PLEASURE DRIVING

(a)—Evacuees in the centers are permitted large quantities of gasoline for pleasure driving, some using government automobiles.

(b)—They have been allowed to bring their own automobiles to the centers and use them mainly for "visiting back and forth."

(Statements attributed to Rep. Joe Starnes, acting chairman of the committee in a United Press dispatch from Washington dated June 2. Rep. Starnes has categorically denied ever having made the statement.) Comment: All of these statements are wholly unfounded. No evacuee is permitted to use a personally owned automobile at any relocation center. Only in a very few cases have evacuated automobiles even been stored within the center. (Continued on Page Three)

Crops Play Vital Role

With the continued advances in food prices, especially for fruits and vegetables, the cost for living for city workers rose 1.1 percent during the past month, according to May release of the U. S. Department of Labor, quoting Secretary of Labor Perkins. Prices of vegetables were up from 20 percent to as much as 61 percent above April of last year.

Playing a vital role in the Nation's "Food for Victory" program, Manzanar's vast acreage of vegetables in the outskirts of the center, has been reported in favorable condition. According to the Project Report for the month of May, the 20 acres of watermelons and honey dew melons are scheduled for harvesting in August. Comprising the minor acreage of the farm are the bean

snaps, three acres, and the two acres of cucumbers ready for harvesting in July and August respectively.

One acreage of green peas, planted March 17th, was heavily damaged by the strong wind. Potatoes which were up from three to six inches high, lost all of the leaves necessitating a complete new set of sprouts for planting. Alfalfa was burned off the ground owing to the intense heat. Others were damaged but can be regarded as in good condition at present.

Leon High Given Birthday Party

Leon C. High, Principal of the Secondary School, was pleasantly surprised last Friday afternoon, when his office force, Marion E. Fotts, Acting Vice-Principal, Helen M. Gunn, Secretary, Aiko Iguchi, Mie Mio and June Hori gave him a surprise birthday party at the secondary school office.

Punch and cake were served to friends who called to extend greetings to Mr. High. They were: Mr. and Mrs. Ralph P. Merrill, Mrs. Lucy Adams, Mr. High's son, Raymond, Dr. Melvin Strong, Mr. Clyde Simpson, Mary Schauland, Elizabeth Moxley, Lois Hordford, Louise Fairman, Sanford McGavern, teachers of the Secondary School and the office personnel of the Education Department.

By a happy coincidence it was also the birthday of Mary A. Schauland, Supervisor of Nursery Schools, and Mary Jean Kramer, one of the Secondary School teachers, who were also greeted with the "Happy Birthday Song."

Gibble

Gabble

by Ish Ka Babbie

FLASHY, WASHY, DAIKON ASHI

Shorts and play suits are "IT" for de fems. See if de wolves aren't attracted, by daikon or what have you? (It's only an optical illusion). Don't forget the results of "daikons" may be due to gnats and mosquitoes bites. Remember the old saying gals: "A woman is as old as she looks, a man is old when he stops looking!"

Shoe rationing certainly pinched cobbler Yosh Yoshimura hard. He cultivated enormous bunions which called for an operation. "Your pedal extremity are simply obnoxious."

X-Ray department has corn for sale cheap. Here is a sample cooked up by "Kernel" Micheal-vitch and "Lieutenant" Bayan: "Famii sushi like I know sushi you'll have mazemashii."

Sixty words a minute the wagging tongue of Mike Yonai even gives the typewriter stiff competition. Being employed by the typewriter division he certainly gets his practice.

Cheerful receptionist, Helen Yeager who is indispensable to those who visit the Administration Building is on a vacation... Veronica Lake's hair-do is fast fading away, with braids and pig-tails making their appearance—prize French braids belongs to Nurse Tomiko Yasuda... An elderly man came up to the hospital information desk and asked for Chowmein. The information girl must have been taken by surprise for she was speechless. After several minutes she finally found her tongue and asked the elderly man, "Do you mean Mr. Chuman?" "Oh so," was the reply.

Grew Speaks

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ple which worked so realistically, so well, and with such good faith. Next time that you think about meat rationing, remember this: Last year Australia supplied us Americans alone with more beef than we sent to all the Allies put together. And Australia has only a twentieth as many people as do we."

We have already built the foundations of a new international system, Mr. Grew said. "Remember in this hour the people of Japan—the people who were your friends, who are now your enemies because they were too timid, to habituated to unquestioning obedience, too virtuous as subjects to stand up for their rights and yours." Concluding Mr. Grew said that in destroying militarism we must remember "the democratic just peace for which Generalissimo Chiang has called, which Mr. Churchill has promised, and which President Roosevelt and Mr. Quezon, speaking for all of us, have guaranteed in our joint names."

CHURCH NEWS

Rev. H. Boventkerk is scheduled to speak at both the 10 o'clock and 11 o'clock services tomorrow morning. His topic will be "Loyal to the Royal."

There will be a general meeting of the Y. P. Church members at 15-15, 1:30 p.m.

Young People's Fellowship will have a musical gathering tomorrow evening at 7 p.m., 15-15. There will be vocal and instrumental numbers by various members of the church. A prayer circle will precede the Fellowship at 6:45 o'clock.

Dies Checked

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ters, and in all these instances, the cars have been impounded by the WRA. All evacuees who have used their own automobiles in going out of the centers on indefinite leave, have obtained their gasoline through the local ration boards and in accordance with the regular rationing procedure.

NEWS NUGGETS

MOVIES

Under the direction of the Adult Education Department, a series of short films has been shown each week to a large group at 7-15. This week's showing includes: "Teddy the Rough Rider," "Little Ann," "Orchids,"

"League of Nations," and "Modern Lithographer." All are invited to attend the open air theater.

APPOINTED PERSONNEL

There has been an addition of two names on the list of Appointed Personnel, according to Elsie M. Eades, Assistant Personnel Officer. The two new members were given positions of laborers. It was also reported that two other laborers have terminated their work here.

RED CROSS

With Mrs. Chiye Yamanaka as speaker, the Red Cross is sponsoring Public Health Lectures for the benefit of the residents.

Tomorrow evening the lecture will be held at Messhall 30 for blocks 25, 26, 30, 31, 35 and 36. June 29th is for blocks, 27, 28, 29, 32, 33 and 34 and Mess 28.

Total amount of donations for the Red Cross Drive is now \$1,554.95.

EXHIBITION

Relocation was the theme of the exhibition last week at the Visual Aids Museum at 8-15.

On exhibit were catalogs from different colleges and universities, catalogs on the different cities telling residents to relocate, and a display on the clothes that the feminine should wear upon leaving the center.

SHOES

Shoes which were sent to Lone Pine for repair have been transferred to the local Shoe Repair Shop Iron room 3, it was announced by Frank Kurahashi of the Community Enterprises. T. Imanaka, 4-13-3; Tamigawa, 22-10-3; Fukuda, 32-5-1; Kunisawa, 18-3-4; Murata, 30-2-1; and Mori, address unknown are asked to claim their shoes. There are also eight pairs of shoes with no identification of them, it was reported.

SECOND LECTURE BY CHEMIST ANNOUNCED

First of a series of lectures on industrial chemistry was given Tuesday night by Frank K. Shimoda. Over 30 people heard him talk on yeasts and fermentation.

Mr. Shimoda holds a Master of Arts degree in chemistry from the University of Michigan. His next lecture is scheduled for Tuesday, June 29, at 7-7-1 from 7 to 8 p.m. The topic, "Chemistry and Manufacturing of Shoyu and Other Condiments," will be given in English and Japanese.

Police Announce Vacancies Open

Patrolmen vacancies are now open for male residents wishing to join the police force, Chief of Police Thomas Takeyama declared today.

In issuing this statement, the Police Chief disclosed various advantages which can be had by enlisting. Some reasons were (1) Advance rating after completing a short course in police technique, (2) An opportunity to learn the scientific knowledge of fingerprinting (taking reading and recording), (3) Many other methods of investigating police problems.

Musical Program Given by Frizzell

"Music Night," featuring Manzanar High School's Choir of 42 voices and the Orchestra under the able direction of Louis Frizzell, staged a two night hit Thursday and last night.

The program included selections by Bach and Mozart as well as folk songs and novelty tunes. Original compositions by Yoshiteru Murakami and L. Frizzell were also featured.

Highlight of the evening was the "Ballads for Americans," sung by Henry Kanno at the closing of the program.

"Ballads for Americans" written by John Latoche and Earl Robinson is one of American's greatest number.

CURRENT EVENTS LECTURE SUBJECT

Second in a series of lectures on current events will be given by Dr. Morris Opler on Tuesday June 29 at mess hall 21 from 7:30 p.m. The evening will be devoted to a review of foreign and domestic news of the past week, and an analysis of current controversies in and out of Congress.

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

A girl to Mrs. Izumi Nishiyama, 17-10-2, on June 21.
A boy to Mrs. Katsuka Miyokoda, 18-14-2, June 22.
A boy to Mrs. Kimiyo Kikuta, 6-11-1, June 22.
A boy to Mrs. Mitsuyo Nakai, 8-11-4, June 23.

Around the BLOCKS

BLOCK 3

"Fire Brigade" is being reorganized since the majority of the residents have relocated to Colorado, Idaho, or gone out on indefinite leave.

BLOCK 4

Mark Nishimura under the supervision of Chotaro Nishimura is making a rock garden between barrack 14 and the messhall.

BLOCK 14

Fresh barracuda "sashimi" was served at Messhall 14 recently. This was a special treat to the residents from the kitchen crew.

BLOCK 23

Chitose "Chiko" Aramaki recently relocated to Chicago.

BLOCK 34

An appreciation social was held recently for the doctors, nurses and hospital workers, who have rendered their services to the camp residents.

IN APPRECIATION:

In returning to my Army post I wish to take this opportunity to thank all of my friends and neighbors for the many kindnesses during my furlough in Manzanar.

Staff Sgt. Jack Nakao
Fort Sheridan, Ill.

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