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FIRST BABY COMES TO MANZANAR

YOU CAN'T LEAVE CAMP FOR JOBS, SAYS ARMY

In response to inquiries about the possibility of leaving Manzanar to take up job offers in the interior areas, assistant camp manager, H. L. Black stated that under army orders, no Japanese may leave this camp, once he has come in from a restricted area.

Explaining that this is not a regulation of the camp management, but a decree handed down from the Fourth Army Command under which Manzanar is operated, he stated that no provision had been made for any individual reallocation to new work areas.

However, in due time, Milton C. Eisenhower, who has been put in charge of further resettlement, is expected to make arrangements for the transfer of workers to needed areas in adequately authorized employment.

WEDDING CEREMONIES FOR CAMP PAIR DUE SUNDAY: HUNDRED INVITES SENT

Of keen interest to the public will be the first local nuptial ceremonies uniting Miss Kimiko Wakamura to Howard Kumagai which will be held in 9-16 this coming Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m. with the Rev. Preston officiating.

A hundred invitations are being issued to friends, but the public is invited to fill the remainder of the hall. A reception will be held after the rituals.

A blue dress suit will be worn by the bride; while her fiance wears a business suit. The couple will be given separate quarters, it was indicated by the administration. A honeymoon trip isn't contemplated for the present.

The bridegroom will be represented by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kichisaburo Kumagai. The parents of the bride are in Japan.

Baishakunin were Mr. & Mrs. Fred Tayama of Los Angeles; Mr. & Mrs. Kiyoshi Higashi, of Terminal Island. The marriage culminates a five year friendship.

Kumagai, a former mechanical engineer, is now employed as a sanitation inspector.

NEW ARRIVAL THURSDAY INCREASES CAMP POPULATION

Heralded by a lusty wail, Manzanar's first bouncing baby boy arrived early Thursday morning in Manzanar emergency hospital, tipping the scales at 6 lbs. 4 ozs.

The proud young parents are Mr. & Mrs. Hatsuji Ogawa, formerly of Los Angeles.

The stork which had been hovering over the village for several days decided to alight April 16, and was ably assisted by Dr. Yoshiye Togasaki, who made the delivery; Dr. Masako Kusayanagi, anesthetist, and Miss Fumi Gohata, nurse.



The slender young father, waiter in Mess 12, was beaming excitedly as he dished out extra helpings of hash. Disappointing those local residents who had hoped that the first baby would be called Owens, the child's name is to be Kenji.

A contribution box had been placed in the canteen to receive donations for the expected first baby.

EVERYONE REGISTER

Everyone without exception who has failed to register, please do so immediately at 1-2-1. Deadline is Monday at 5 p.m.

VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOTS

All eligible voters presiding in Camp Manzanar will be permitted to cast their votes by absentee ballots during any election, it was learned from Harry L. Black, asst-camp manager,

It will be necessary to have the voter write to the registrar of voters in his home county precinct and send for the absentee ballot.

As this absentee voting is a privilege that can be exercised, all registered nisei should feel that it is their responsibility to avail themselves of it. Those who have reached voting majority age are in a group now being mooted.

OFFICIALS IMPRESSED BY CAMP PROGRESS

"In plain words, you have accomplished a lot in one month's time," commented Robert Chambers, senior project manager for WPA, after he visited Manzanar with H. B. Cooke, his associate, in the first of a tour which will take them to reception centers at Santa Anita, Parker Dam and Gila.

Mr. Chambers, who formerly headed the relief organization for the State of California, and Mr. Cooke who spent fourteen years in the orient as business man and banker were particularly struck with the progress of self-government and democratic procedures being started here.

NEWSMEN EXPRESS KEEN INTEREST IN LOCAL WORK

Among the distinguished visitors who displayed keen interest in camp activities were Harry Ferguson and Ben Wegener, top United Press newsmen, who visited Manzanar last Friday morning, conferring with Bob Brown, public relations head.

They were escorted around the grounds and expressed particular interest in the attitude of the asset towards the war. They were on assignment to cover local news.

POLICE DEPARTMENT EXPANSION ANNOUNCED

Seventy-five men were enrolled on the staff of the police department this week, according to reports from the police office.

Kon Ozaki, desk sergeant, stated that the department will later add detectives to its staff. A few cars will be added and horses for the sergeants are contemplated, he said.

Of interest to the general public were the penalties which may be inflicted on miscreants. Chief of Police Horton said it depends entirely on the individual case. "Major crimes may be carried to the court at Lone Pine," he said "although we are trying to keep all activities here as self-governing as possible." Minor crimes will be under the jurisdiction of block leaders.

SEEK BOOKS FOR LIBRARY

An appeal for books and magazines for the proposed Manzanar library, to be at 7-15, has been made.

Life, Readers Digest, Time, Saturday Evening Post, Hygeia, and Parents Magazine, are some of the magazines now being sought.

Fairy stories, educational books for children and Japanese reading matter for Issei are sought.

FIRE CHIEF WARNS AGAINST FIRE HAZARDS

Fire Chief F. D. Foil declared this week that there are a number of illegal trash fires within the camp. Because of the sudden gusts of wind which arise, fires are not allowed without a fire permit.

Permits are issued at the fire department office and anyone starting fires without a permit may be subject to severe penalties from the department.

Another serious fire hazard is caused by the negligence of the public in turning off the valves in their stoves, especially when fires burn out because of lack of fuel. Later when the oil crew fills the tank the oil overflows in the stove. Consequently, when the oil is ignited the heat is so intense that it overheats the stove as well as the pipes.

SHOWER CURTAINS COMING: ALSO POLICE UNIFORMS

Uniforms for the police force and curtains for the women's showers will be the first assignment for the projected sewing program now being planned by Robert Harrison, supervisor of the production department.

Orders for power sewing machines are being rushed through and the project should be under way in ten days, reports Aiji Hashii of the production office. A dozen power machine operators have been located and will be able to swing into work when the machines arrive.

In charge of the sewing project will be Mrs. Taya Jew, acting foreman, and Miss Aiko Miyoshi, designer.

(more on library)

This request is especially directed to church and club groups. No one will be permitted to check out books from the library; however, one may come and stay as long as desired.

Quiet games, such as checkers and card games will also be made accessible to library users.



City Editor.....Joe Blamey
 Feature Editor..... Sam Hohri
 News Editor.....Chiye Mori
 Editorial.....Tom Yamazaki

STAFF MEMBERS

Paul Aino, Tetsuko Fujii, Yoichi Hara, Jimmy Hashimoto, Emily Higu-chi, John Hohri, Roy Hoshizaki, Yoshi-o Katayama, Miyo Kikuohi, Minoru Koba, Yoshio Kusayanagi, Emi Maeda, Roy Nakama, James Oda, Satoru Sakuma, Chiyoako Shiba, Robert To-yama, Dan Tsurutani, Julia Yamada, Harry Yamashita.

FLAG CEREMONIES

Colors of the United States flut-tered in the spring breeze as flag raising ceremonies took place Friday afternoon in front of the Ad-ministration Building. Five Boy Scouts and four buglers participat-ed. Assistant Camp Manager Harry L. Black delivered the dedicatio n address.

Vainly attempting to break co ca co-la bottles in lieu of champagne Camp Manager Triggs officially chris-tened the two brown and white burros, Mervin and Bill. These lit-tle burros are camp mascots and will be allowed to roam at large.

GREAT TESTING LAB

In a certain sense, this reception center is serving as a vast labora-tory wherein policies made by the Army through WCCA are tested for its workability.

Men who are formulating the policies are sailing on an uncharted course. Every plan made on paper must, first of all, prove practical in actual application. This, combined with haste in which these centers must be built, make revisions and countermanding of certain orders necessary. Plans must be revised or discarded or kept as they are tested in a crucible known as the Owens Valley Reception Center.

Those who make definite unverified statements on camp policies are for-getting these important facts.

The policy for wages is still in the process of formation. Camp Ma-nager G. E. Triggs is working hard this moment with his superiors, Rex Nicholson, Col. Karl R. Bandetson, and others to clarify this import-ant issue for residents here; and

SATURDAY POST OFFICE SERVICE TO CONTINUE

Alaying fears that today's absence of mail distribution will be perman-ent, assurance was received that office operation will continue on fu-ture Saturday mornings. Today's disruption in service was caused by ex-tensive reorganization to facilitate general delivery service which has been complicated by heavy increases in parcel post and anticipated arri-vals. Plans are being laid at the present time that when put into effect should facilitate more efficient mail service.



As symbolic as the cheerful apple blossoms that cluster on the sear old boughs and young shoots on the trees among the houses is the lot of some thirty-three hundred resi-dents at Manzanar. It is signifi-cant that our life here should start with the visit of Spring in the Valley when the calendar of nature points to rebirth of the world around us.

Because the keynote of our commu-nity here is: New Life.

True, it is hard to obliterate the past; the memories of men linger on. We have come from all walks of life, from different places on the map from different trades and pro-fessions, from different levels on the economic scale.

But here at Manzanar we meet on a common ground; we have one common denominator--we are all plain citi-zens of Manzanar Reception Cen-ter. And, because we start from this fundamental premise, which circumstances have given us, it is easy to arrive at a logical con-clusion that there should be no special class or privilege among us. Every person here should fit into the new community life accord-ing to his ability and not to his past.

Of such stuff is democracy made.

WEATHER FORECAST

"No dust or wind after April" is the welcome forecast given by the oldtimers in this region. Reports that the winds abate by May will encourage Owens Valley's newest population who were becoming per-turbed by the continuous dust storms that have been scourging the valley.

According to those same experts the snow will remain on the peaks until September, assuring Manza-nar of a view during the summer months. Snows melt in September but reappear in December, it was reported.

before long we shall hear of defi-nite words. Until then we can rest assured that: first of all, we will receive wages; and when the wage rate is announced, we'll hear authoritatively from the Ad-ministration.

GARBAGE COLLECTION TO BE INSTALLED

Grounds and apartments of the Japanese in Manzanar will be kept in first-class sanitary condition as more than 2000 garbage cans were brought in and distributed to each barrack last Thursday morning.

The crew for the distribution and collection of garbage will be manned entirely by Japanese and supervised by Mr. Thorne of the food and sanitation department.

NO SHIPMENTS ADMITTED

Further shipments of freight to village residents were banned by the Fourth Army Command office in San Francisco.

Pending further orders from Gen. DeWitt's headquarters, radios in particular - even those being sent thru parcel post - are not being allowed in.

However, aside from radios, goods which have already been delivered by truck lines are ready to be called for by the consignee.

CHILDREN'S CENTER

Pre-school Recreational Centers opened April 15, in bungalows 3-15 and 11-15 for 68 children between the ages of 3 and 6, much to the delight of all.

The second day brought more than seventy-five children gleefully storming the doors of the nursery classes long before the opening hour at 9:00, demonstrating enthusiasm for this new project.

An efficient staff in charge include Michi Amematsu, Chiyeko Oyama, and Michi Nishi of Bainbridge, and May Oshizaki and Takai Kanada of Los Angeles headed by the able Mrs. Florence Ikobata, formerly of New York.

POLICE VIGILANCE

As evidence of their vigilance in selecting its staff members, the Police Office announced that one of its members had been dismissed. Negligence of duty and disorderly conduct was given as the reason for the action.

GLOSSARY

For those "foreign words" creeping into our columns, we offer a glossary of terms for our Caucasian readers:

Issei-- first generation non-citizen Japanese.

Nisei-- second generation citizen of Japanese extraction.

Kibei-- 2nd generation educated in Japan, returned to U.S.

NO-MAIL DELIVERY FOR VILLAGE YET

No relief is in sight for people who stand in line for hours to receive their mail as no definite policy for carriers is set, intimated S. Deputy, superintendent of the local post office.

The cancellation machine indicates out-going mail to be around 3,000 letters daily with incoming mail averaging the same amount.

The parcels, which average twenty sacks, are received and delivered more quickly here than in the city.

Handling of money orders is around \$400 to \$600 a day; on some days as much as \$900 is cleared.

To facilitate matters it is requested that only one member of the family call for the mail with a written order listing the names; that persons stand in the right lines.

CHURCH SERVICES

Protestant church services for Sunday, April 19, are to be held in 1-15. Service schedule is as follows:

- 7:30 a.m. Early Morning Devotional
- 8:45 a.m. Sunday School - Dick Narita, acting sup't.
- 10 a.m. Young People's Service
Dr. John Thomas, New York
- 11 a.m. Japanese Service
Dr. Marlin Farnum of L.A.
- 7-8:30pm. Youth Fellowship
Kazuko Amatatsu, chairman
Special songs by BI girls

Catholic service is to be at 8 a.m. in 3-15.

DANCE NOTICE

Dances will be held this Saturday, tonight, from 7:30 to 10 p.m. at the community recreation centers, 1-15 and 6-15. Everyone welcome.

C-A-L-L F-O-R-R-B TYPEWRITER SERVICEMAN

One of the most urgently needed man so far unfound is someone experienced in servicing typewriters. If there is anyone who can do this job, he'll be welcomed with wide open arms - and the offices seem to have a corner on comely girls....

DON'T GIVE UP THE FIGHT; PLENTY OF MOPS AND WATER

There are ample supplies of house-cleaning equipment to go around -- what's more, they are being given to householders free of charge by the army, was the statement issued by H. A. Nelson, head of the supply department.

"Don't spare the mop and water in fighting the dust in your room," advised this office, as Manzanar experienced one of the worst dust and sand storms Thursday and Friday.



SCALPING A LA MANZANAR

PIUTE vs. WAUCOBA FEUD

-It's possible to control the voluntary behavior of human beings, but there are some aspects in which Dame Nature gives the merry "ha-ha" to these hemo saps. Chief among these pranks is the way the cranial fur keeps growing 'n growing.

The one of these days, those familiar peppermint sticks will dot Manzanar landscape, time nor growing-hair cannot wait for that day.

So to meet this emergency, hand-clippers and shears are snipping away in many a village apartment as amateur and semi-pro barbers do their bit to keep the crowning glory of mankind respectable and presentable to their fellows.

In some instances, the whir of electric clippers gives an almost professional air. The deft wielding of a razor adds the ultimate metropolitan nicety.

Some of the young fellas have taken this new life spirit really to heart and taken unto themselves "butch" haircuts, variously known as "victory", "military", or--oh, horrible implications - "german" style.

Seeing this streamlined trend in hair mode, some of the girls, who have been taking an awful beating in having their raven tresses take on that "tattle-tale gray" tinge, have enviously threatened to follow suit.

On the other hand, the call of the rugged wild -- or maybe it's the difficulty of getting hot water, have encouraged our manlier specimens to develop facial accessories that were supposed to have eloped with hoop-skirts. They now sport flowing locks from around their jowls that would be the envy of many a member of the House of David.

With several licensed and professional barbers here already and others expected in future contingents, designated barber shops as well as beauty salons for the girls are anticipated to provide a better solution to this need.

Long, long ago, there lived in what the White Man calls Owen River valley, two tribes - one, the Piutes, occupying the eastern side and the slopes of the Inyo range; the other, the Waucobas on the western side on the slopes of the Sierras, and in particular the region about Mt. Williamson and extending westerly to the valley now called San Joaquin.

The roaring ocean backed up its waters and flooded the wonderful valley, so that the Indians had to signal to each other by fires. But the Great Spirit sent a terrible earthquake which shook the mountains for many days and the pale waters fled away and the green grass came again.

One day the tribes were at war.

From his lookout on Mt. Williamson, a Waucoba brave, espying two Piute brothers ascending the crest of the Inyo range, sent to the sinewy bow-string of his mighty bow an arrow made from a tree growing only in the western mountains.

The arrow, released from the twanging bow, winged its way 15 miles across the valley and pierced the back of one of the Piutes who fell dead, his body turning to stone & lying face down across the crest, head to the east and feet to the west. Terrified, his brother began to run, but the Waucoba warrior in a voice of thunder shouted to him the command:

"WINNEDUMAH!" which means, "Stay right where you are!"

And lo, the Piute instantly became the shaft of granite and has never since moved, awaiting his release by the Great Spirit.

Marvelous to tell, the fatal arrow took root in the stone body of its victim and grew into a tree still living like that from which the arrow was made--and the only one of its kind in the Inyo range.



MANZANAR SPORTS

PEDRO GOPHERS FACES MANZANAR GIANTS!

RIVALS CLASH IN TITANIC EXHIBITION TILT

The smooth San Pedro Gophers and the rugged Manzanar Giants, the two victorious teams of last Sunday's game, will clash in one of the riciest games this Sunday as half of a doubleheader at Manzanar field.

Going into the second round of this exhibition loop, Hiro Kayasuga and George Yamasaki, two ace hurlers, are slated to swirl for the highly touted San Pedro Gophers. Old King Taketomo will probably get the starting nod for the Manzanar Giants.

The Manzanar's notable Wall Street critics are quoting odds that when the eight clubs roll up to the post, the Pedro Gophers and the Manzanar Giants will be in there pitching with all they have to draw up in top place but not without a strong opposition from the Bainbridge me.

The probable line-up for this Sunday's second game:

Manzanar Giants	Pedro Gophers
Teraji, cf	Tatsuni, 3b
Uyemura, 1b	Takata, 2b
Taketomo, p	Kayasuga, p
Kaneda, 3b	Shimizu, 1f
Yamane, ss	Takahashi, cf
Kadowaki, 2b	Tanibata, rf
Tanaki, 1f	R. Goto, c
Kunitani, cf	Uragari, 1b
Uyemura, rf	Takeuchi, ss

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NOTICE TO ALL ATHLETES

All baseball playing (throwing balls as well as batting) must be done on the new baseball field or at the fire breaks.

All teams as well as individuals who want to play softball are requested to see Paul Uyemura at 2-15, by Tuesday, April 21.

MANZANAR EXHIBITION STANDING.

	W.	L.	Pct.
San Pedro Gophers.....	1	0	1.000
Manzanar Giants.....	1	0	1.000
Bainbridge.....	0	1	.000
Kibei.....	0	1	.030

Last Sunday's Results

Manzanar Giants, 5; Bainbridge, 4.
San Pedro Gophers, 5; Kibei, 2.

Sunday's (April 20) Games

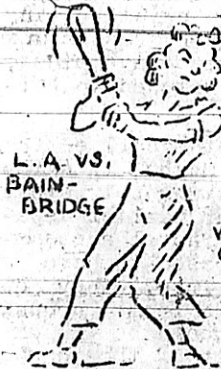
Bainbridge Girls vs. L.A. Girls
1:30 p.m.
Manzanar Giants vs. Pedro Gophers,
3:30 p.m.

PITCHER'S AVERAGE

	W.	L.	Pct.
H. Kayasuga, S.I.G.....	1	0	1.000
Taketomo, H.....	1	0	1.000
G. Yamasaki, S.P.G.....	0	0	.000
T. Goto, S.F.G.....	0	0	.000
Fukushima, K.....	0	1	.000
Shindo, B.....	0	1	.000

GIRLS SOFTBALLERS IN INITIAL GAME

The girls softballers will play their initial game of the season, which will launch the Girl's Recreational activities.



The girls of the Bainbridge squad will face a tough customer in opposing the L.A. softball team. Here are the tentative array of girls that will take action in the first fracas.

Bainbridge Girls	L.A. Girls
Ikuo Amatatsu	Gene Hashimoto
Sueko Nishimori	Fusako Mizutani
Kazuko Sakai	Helen Yamada
Ritsuko Terayama	Tak Kaneda
Miyo Nagatani	Maggie Yamane
Yoshi Kitayana	Emiko Tanaoka
Mary Chihara	Martha Uyesato
Teruko Hayashi	Setsu Hara
Taeko Sakai	Ritsu Uyeno
Emiko Yamashita	Elizabeth Yamane
Nobuko Sakai	Sally Kusayanagi
Takiko Kajima	Mary Uyesato, c
Kuniko Chihara	
Miyo Mikami	
Chiyeo Oyama, c	