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WORK CORPS TO AID U.S.



Manzanar will join the nation in remembering the war dead and their loved ones next week as center residents will participate in the Poppy Day sale Monday and Tuesday, May 26, 27. This campaign is conducted annually by the American Legion and V.F.W. to raise funds for widows, and orphans of men who gave their lives in earlier wars.

Girl and Boy Scouts will handle individual sales for the local drive, which is being sponsored by the center administration, block leaders and Commodore Perry post representatives. Kenao Kiyohiro is general chairman.

LEADERS SELECTED

Enthusiastic new residents flocked to the polls last night in a popular election of 12 new block leaders. With earlier elected leaders acting as temporary chairmen, nominations were made from the floor and three candidates were selected from each block after secret balloting.

Final choice of a leader and an alternate will rest with the administration on page 2.

RAMBLERS ISSUE CALL

Alone Ramblers will hold a membership meeting Wednesday, May 27, from 8 p.m. at 3-15, extending an open invitation to all interested young men.



WEDDING SLATED

Culminating a romance which began in school days, the marriage of Mary Uyesato and Arthur Hiraga will be conducted this Sunday morning at 3-15 with a Maryknoll Father officiating over traditional Catholic rites.

Joan Nagao will attend the bride as maid of honor while best man will be the groom's brother, Ed Hiraga. Ushers will be Benjamin Yoshinaga, Henry Umeda and Dick Izuno.

LAST RITES HELD

Final rites for Matsunosuke Murakami, 62, were conducted on Saturday afternoon on the new cemetery grounds. Murakami, who passed away last Friday of heart disease, was the center's first resident death.

Friends and relatives paid their last respects to Nobuo Koura, 67, late of Bainbridge, at funeral services held yesterday afternoon. Rev. Isumida, formerly of Los Angeles, conducted both services.

Opportunity to make tangible contributions to the American war effort will be given local issei and nisei as small industries, public works and agriculture projects planned by the War Relocation Authority swing into action.

Circulars prepared by the office of Milton C. Eisenhower, director of WRA, were distributed today.

SIGN-UP VOLUNTARY

After residents have been given adequate time to become familiar with the function of the Voluntary Works Corps, forms will be made available so that any evacuee over 16 may enlist out of his own volition.

Everyone enlisting consciously assumes stated obligations backing up his patriotism and loyalty to the United States.

The pledges are detailed in the special circular.

NO SEPARATION

Family units will be kept together in relocation centers as much as possible and the local administration is much interested in seeing that this is done.

Residents may develop self-governing agencies with community-elected officials, maintain its own police and fire departments, recreational activities and nursery schools.

Non-governmental organizations' help is now being enlisted by the Authority so college students may continue their studies at midwestern institutions.

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EDITORIAL

There's a story that's tied up with next week's poppy sale.

When the Legion and VFW representatives came to the center to discuss this drive, Clayton E. Triggs, outgoing manager, asked what was the usual volume of sales in Owens Valley. "About 500", he was told.

Triggs replied that center residents who equal the population of the rest of the valley would support the campaign a much greater degree. He told the committee we could absorb 2000 poppies here.

That puts us on the spot. We will make good and next Tuesday night we can send word to our former center manager who takes over at Pomona that his faith in our response was not misplaced.

ELECTION RESULTS

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tion after interviews with the nominees which will take into consideration their ability and qualification.

Partial returns of the election are as follows:

Block 13: Togo Tanaka, John Aono, Gunji Yamaguchi.

Block 14: Kametaro Akiyama, Tsugio Yokota, Henry Ushijima.

Block 16: S. Sugimoto, Rev. M. Ohmi, H. Ikkanada.

Block 18: Henry Tsurutani, Tom Tayama, Hiroji Okimura.

Block 21: Roy Yokone, H.K. Nakamura, D. Sato.

Block 22: Frank Yasuda, Mr. Kobayashi, H. Takata.

Block 23: Frank Yonemori, George Ono, Larry Mihar.

Block 24: Masami Adachi, Thomas Ozamoto, Masakichi Kuramoto.

DANGER! BEWARE OF PETTING

Dr. Tom Watanabe, newest medico on the Manzanar Medical Staff, was preparing to close the clinic for the night. There was a hesitant knock on the door. The doctor answered. A burly, rugged individual querulously whispered, "Doctor, can you treat me for this sorstah?"

The doctor swiftly swabbed and sterilized the sorstah. The patient was trembling. "You know, doctor," said he, "I wanted to play safe. She never did this to me before." As the doctor patted the bandage in place he commented, "there's always the danger of infection." The doctor's glance swept over the little furred animal under his patient's coat. "And," advised the genial doctor, "there's even danger of rabies from squirrels."

NEWS NOTES

POLICE COMMENDED

Praising the Manzanar Police department for its efficiency and coordination, B. W. Pavone, consultant and adviser to Major Ray Ashworth of W.C.C.A. headquarters in San Francisco, left for the Bay region last Thursday, following a two-day survey here.

CHURCH SCHEDULE

A nine Protestant ministers in the camp, efforts are being made to divide the responsibilities among them. Adult Bible classes are to be held on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday evenings, from 7 to 8:30 with the Revs. S. Abe, F. Omi, and K. Suzuki in charge.

GOH TOURNAMENT

A Goh Championship Elimination Tournament is being held at branch library 12-15 under supervision of Tad Mizutani. Eighty contestants have enrolled to date.

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM

With the rising of new problems due to the accelerated expansion of Manzanar, Fire Chief Ralph Fiel stressed the importance of installing a system of fire alarms and securing bigger and better facilities. Requisition for new equipment has been made.

MANZANAR'S FARM

Manzanar's farm project now boasts of 10,000 tomato plants, corn, cucumbers, carrots and radishes planted.

SEEDLINGS ARRIVE

Three shipments of guayule seedlings have been delivered to the Manzanar nursery since its establishment in April. Because of space shortage, workmen were not able to give these seedlings proper care and only 46 per cent of them was plantable.

These seedlings were originally rejected at the Salinas Guayule Farm.

Empty milk cartons out in half are being used in place of clay pots for the plants. This method reduces cost to a minimum, according to Supervisor Watanabe.

INOCULATIONS

Typhoid and small pox inoculations are now being given at 7-14 instead of at 13-15 as formerly. The schedule:

Every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday afternoon from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Results of COAST LEAGUE

7-all's.....4 14 3 1 0-22
 Sloppy 9.....2 1 4 0 0-7
 Comets...0 2 2 0 4 4 2 -14
 Scouts...15 5 2 10 1 2 x-35

SCHEDULE

Friday 9:30 a.m.
 Dusty 9 vs. B. Comets

GIRLS' SOFTBALL

Jr. Invaders and Whirlwinds will clash in the first league game Friday, blk. 2-3, at 6 p.m.

Mothers Plan Birthday Parties 'by Block'

CEMETERY SITE SELECTED HERE

Designation of a quiet slope plot southwest of the new hospital as the Manzanar cemetery was revealed today by administration officials. Selection of this site was made Sunday following the center's first death on Friday night of Matsunosuke Murakami.

Casket, plot and services identical to those given the army inductees will be offered to residents by the government.

Those wishing services or cremation elsewhere for their dead need only pay the costs of transportation, it was revealed. All other expenses will be borne by the government.

AUTO CRASH VICTIM

Robert "Bob" Oyama, 27, well known Los Angeles nisei, was killed in an automobile accident a few miles from Knoxville, Iowa, on May 8. He was working as a chick sexor at the time.

MATERIAL NEEDED

Drawing and painting material including paints, papers, and drawing pencils are being sought by the Art Department. Registration is still open at 6-15.

KIDDIES TO BE FETED

Children in Block four under 12 years of age will



be able to celebrate their birthdays in top style as the newly formed Women's Council in that district voted to hold parties jointly on the last Sunday of each month.

Mrs. Hatsumi Inouye was elected chairman of the council, Mrs. Mabel Hiraga, vice-chairman and Mrs. Dorothy Uchiyama, recording secretary.

Mrs. Hiraga offered to serve as janitress for the women's lavatory, with other women residents assisting.

HOW GREEN WILL BE MY VALLEY

Beautiful green lawns, surrounded by trees, shrubbery and flowers, will soon become a reality in Manzanar. A crew of picked men will begin landscaping the grounds as soon as equipment, now being used on farm projects, becomes available.

SCRIBES SPONSOR FIRST PRESS PROM

Transforming its editorial rooms into a glamorous "Blue Room", The Manzanar Free Press staff held its first Press Prom on Tuesday night. Honored guests included Roy Nash, new manager of the Center and Clayton E. Triggs, outgoing head, as well as other administrative officers.

Musical offerings by the Aloha Ramblers, Mary Kageyama and Bill Wakataki comprised the program, while the rest of the evening was spent in dancing to the music of the Ramblers and recordings through the courtesy of Henry Ushijima. Managing Editor Joe Blamey acted as emcee. Over 200 attended.

SLIDES SHOW BEAUTY SPOTS

Scenic beauties and wildflowers of Inyo-Mono counties in natural color were shown to Manzanar residents Sunday by Douglas Robinson, Chief Forester and Historian of this region. Bob Brown, public relations director of the Center, introduced the 30-year old veteran of the Forestry Service to an audience of 200 which gathered in 15-15. Robinson is now engaged in making a historical documentation of the beauty spots abounding in this region.

OH! DOCTOR! WHERE ISN'T THY STING? (NEEDLE-LESS TO SAY, THIS VICTIM FOUND OUT)

"Never again" mumbled Hiroshi Suzuki, Block 23-9-3, on his way to work at the hospital Monday morning, with final effects from his last typhoid shot given on Saturday.

Like any good man, Suzuki had a very original idea...he thought so...and used it. If his left arm ached from his second shot, why not get his right arm punctured instead? So he

dood it. But when Sunday rolled, he wished he hadn't, for instead of relieving the misery, both arms were stiff and dangling helplessly.

ILLUSTRATED BY BOB TOYAMA





SPORTS

STARS SLUG Y'S 37-2

Blasting the Royal Y to a record breaking 37-2 slaughter, the North Star relentlessly pounded their victim, nearly gunning a shut-out in National League fracas last Monday.

The Victory Ace rounded in to the sixth to burst their biggest spurge in tallying 11 runs. H. Takeuchi and R. Higashida starred with 2 solo flights apiece for the Aces. Royal Y....0 0 0 0 0 2-2 N. Star....6 1 7 5 7 11 x-37 T. Ichien, H. Tanaka and T. Masuoka; T. Shindo and B. Oda.

GIANTS WIN THIRD STRAIGHT

The Giants kept pace with the league leading Ramblers Tuesday night when they overpowered the Senors 12-9, lifting them to 3 straight wins.

The biggest rally for the Giants' outfit came in the third when Uyemura, Kadawaki, and Teraji hit successive singles netting 4 runs.

The sling of the little "Davids" were in the game all the way scoring 4 runs in the last two frames.

Senors....0 2 0 2 1 3 1-9 Giants....1 0 4 2 3 2 x-12 T. Fukushima and T. Kunitani.

YOGORES PUMMEL WARRIORS 8-2

The barefooted Yogores cut back into the groove after losing their first National League tussle to wax the Warriors, 8-2, last Tuesday.

S. Nishikawa's circuit smash in the first stanza started the Warriors with one run lead, but the Pedro boys put the game out of reach with 4 runs in the fourth.

Warriors....1 0 0 1 0 0 0-2 Yogores....2 0 2 4 0 0 x-8 Nishikawa, Kishi and Fujioka; Marumoto, Kuramoto and Okamoto.

OPENER TO V. ACES

RAMBLERS TAKE CLOSE WIN

The miraculous Ramblers made it 5 straight last night to eke out a 11-10 win, but displayed grey hairs.

The Pioneers nearly knocked them out of the 1000 per cent bracket.

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Ramblers	5	0	1.000
Giants	3	0	1.000
Wonders	2	1	.667
Gophers	2	1	.667
Pioneers	2	3	.400
Mayors	1	3	.250
Yankees	1	4	.125
Senors	0	4	.000

Veteran Higa continued to blast the stitched pellet, gathering a triple and 2 singles, while Pioneer Kono collected one triple and a single. R. H.

Pioneers....01234031-10 10
 Ramblers....004520x- 11 8
 Nishida and Hashimoto; Arita and Shibusu.

SPOTLIGHT!

Ramblers-Splitting the team weakened them considerably. Pioneers-Lost a heart-breaker to the champs..... North Stars-37 runs broke the Ramblers' existing record of 29 runs..... Victory Aces-One of the fastest speed ball goes to Koto Tanaka..... Orange Aggies-Clean up homers were shared by H. Osumi, I. Matsumoto, and H. Oshima. Yogores-Up and coming..... Glendale Kings-G. Matsubara knocked a circuit pike in Orange Aggies' game.....

Track and field events coming soon. Please register at 2-15.

NAKATA'S POKE RUIN POLICEMEN

The two evenly matched ball clubs opened the International series, with the Victory Aces squeezing a 3-2 count in an overtime tussle over the Police nine.

The sleuths scored their rally with Goto and Hayashi bringing in the only 2 runs. They were stopped hitless for the remainder of the game behind the fast-ball pitching of K. Tanaka. Takayama and Tanska scored for the Aces in the first and sixth to knot the score at two all.

In the decisive overtime eight, Nakata's bingle brought in Yamama for the Aces' winning tally. Victory Aces...10000101--3 Police Nine....20000000--2 Tanaka and Hashimoto; Okamoto and Masuda.

BARBELL MEET

Approximately 30 weightlifters will be seen in action with the "irons of construction", this Sunday afternoon at 4-11-1 for the first invitational meet.

Any part still wishing to act on this notice, see Joe Tani at 15-13-3 or Hiro Ukita at 4-11-1

"A" LEAGUE SCHEDULES

AMERICAN LEAGUE		
Friday	(1)	6:30 p.m.
Yankees vs. Giants		
Saturday	(2)	3 p.m.
Gophers vs. Senors		
NATIONAL LEAGUE		
Friday	(2)	6:30 p.m.
N. Stars vs. Tony's Alley		
Saturday		3 p.m.
S.R. Aces vs. Royal Y		
INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE		
Friday	(3)	6:50 p.m.
Phantoms vs. Uptowners		
Saturday		3 p.m.
Knights vs. Sierra Padres		