

SMALL STORES ESTABLISHED TO SERVE GILA RESIDENTS

An outline of WRA policy with reference to the establishment of the wide variety of stores and other small business concerns to serve the needs of the Gila River communities has been presented by James Shelly, Superintendent of Community Enterprises.

"It is the basic policy of the WRA to foster business enterprises at relocation centers which shall be operated by evacuees in the best interests of the whole community," Shelly said.

"Here at the Gila Project we now have 'temporary' organizations which will later be organized on a permanent basis. We have had to have stores and the two stores now operating have done a great deal to supply community needs.

"All profits earned by the temporary organization under which the community enterprises are now operating will be retained as an operating reserve and will be passed on to the permanent organization of evacuees.

"It is contemplated that a cooperative association will be established which will operate as an incorporated organization under general principles set forth in its charter."

Shelly explained that in Canal Camp, an advisory board is making a study of consumer cooperatives and

will later recommend qualifications which should be followed in selecting consumer cooperative councilmen and boards of directors. These councilmen and directors will have the responsibility of operating policies and incorporating the permanent consumer organization.

An advisory board at the Butte Camp will be selected soon, Shelly said.

SCHOOL DAZE

Official registration for 9, 10, 11, and 12th grades have been announced for next Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 43-1-B. Ninth and 12th grades will register on Monday, 10th on Tuesday, and 11th on Wednesday.

Class period schedule will run as follows: 1st period, 8:30-9:30; 2nd, 9:35-10:35; 3rd, 10:40-11:40; Lunch; 4th, 1-2; 5th, 2:05-3:05; 6th, 3:10-4:10; and 4:10-4:30, activity period.

Enrollment for the elementary and Jr. high grades will be announced in Saturday's issue of the Gila News Courier.

COMMUNITY COUNCILMEN

Election and organization of Canal Camp's temporary community council was announced by E. R. Fryer, acting project director. Block 20, the only one not represented, is expected to have its election in the near future.

Following is the complete roster of the council: Block 3, Minoru Okamoto; Block 4, Hideo Ajari;

ATTENTION!

Ex-Service Men Called By Yama

George Yama, World War veteran, prominent in American Legion affairs, has requested all persons who have served in the armed forces of the U.S. during war or peace time to present their names, addresses, and former military affiliations at 4-5-A.

Many ex-service men have stated their desires concerning a compilation in order to form an ex-service men's league and possible application for a local American Legion post chapter.

HOFFMAN SERVES ON GILA PROJECT

The appointment of Luther T. Hoffman as chief of the community services division at the Gila River Project was announced today by E. R. Fryer, acting project director.

The community services division has charge of four important activities—education, community activities, social, and community government.

Mr. Hoffman is a graduate of the University of Arizona and has been connected with social welfare, education, and related fields of work in Arizona and California for the past 17 years. In recent years he has been on the staff of the U.S. Indian Service.

\$1800 NET SALES

The combined sales of the two stores are currently in excess of \$1800 a day. See page 3 for detailed story.

CANAL CAMPERS ENJOY SHOWS

Talent shows in Blocks 23 and 25 are slated for tonight at 8:30 p.m. and Friday at 8 p.m. respectively. Locale for this evening's program will be the lot adjacent to the dyke south of Mess 23.

Various committees headed by Satoru Hirai and Masato Fujimoto are working under Ueto Matsuda and Fukuzo Yoshimo, in charge of Block 25's talent parade.

Acting as host for 800 people, Block 3 held a talent show at the northern end of the men's showers last night. Program, consisting of vocalists, musicians, and skits, was chairmaned by Eddy Kasugai.

Block 5, Harry Aoyagi; Block 6, Dr. Bill Furuta; Block 7, Sam Furuta; Block 8, Karl Iwanaga; Block 9, Takeo Tada; Block 10, Akira Chiamori; Block 21, Ray Sagawa; Block 22, Kelly Matsumura; Block 23, Taira Fujimoto; Block 24, Tom Nakamura; Block 25, Goro Maeda; Block 26, Art Matsumura; Block 27, George Nagamatsu; office manager, Hiroko Baba.

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BUTTE COUNCIL MARKS TIME

SEVERAL days ago Mr. Fryer suggested at a meeting with the Block representatives of the Butte Camp that the Temporary Community Council be elected immediately.

Canal Camp has already elected their council and has scheduled its fourth meeting this Friday--this meeting for the purpose of recommending five men for appointment by Mr. Fryer to serve on the constitution commission.

Unless Butte Camp remedies without delay its present laissez-faire policy (engendered by certain minority leaders) it will find that the administration must necessarily become a dictatorial power, and set rulings with which people may not concur with. Furthermore, the policies recommended by the Canal Camp Council will very likely be established in Butte Camp, and its residents will discover that in their search for a greater democracy, more of their democratic rights have been lost. The very practical nature of the problem demands a compromise.

At present there are developing conditions within the colony--including labor, community enterprises, and city planning among others--which require the immediate establishment of broad, basic policies. Without the community council the will of the people can never be realized in their founding.

Finally the administration is not clairvoyant, and the people's wishes become known to them only when they are presented--by an elected representative body, otherwise they are not valid in a democratic system. This important liaison function will also be a part of the Temporary Community Council's duties.

The immediate cessation of the present petty bickering and the immediate election of an officially recognized representative body will far will produce results which will far outweigh any advantages that may possibly accrue from a delay.

--J.N.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

There was a saying frequently used by the famous Will Rogers, "I only know what I read in the papers." I am using this quotation because it brings to mind numerous letters which have appeared in the News Courier regarding table manners and etiquette in the mess halls.

These articles have interested me deeply for I am very much concerned with the happiness and comfort of all the people in both Camp #1 and #2. The items also interested me because they show that there are many individuals who are interested in the comfort and welfare of those who work in the mess halls.

On the numerous occasions when I have had the pleasure of taking my meals at the mess halls I have found the general conduct of the people most becoming and proper.

I believe that such things as table manners and proper eating at the mess halls should be a community project. In the future, I hope to read that these problems have been worked out to the satisfaction of everyone concerned. I sincerely hope that interest in the mess halls and good conduct therein will continue.

Frank W. Harding

Chief Project Steward

NOTICE: Kibei meeting, Friday night at 7:30 o'clock at Buddhist Church, Block 63.

Last week we picked SxP near Huechu on the Papago Reservation between the Sawteeth and the Sandtanka. We drew no bonus for high weight totals. Our hands did not with piston like rapidity and precision, strip the pods of their fluffy white bolls. In fact, like the snow which it resembled, the cotton which we picked seemed to melt away in the sun to leave a puny poundage for the first day total.

THREE DAY HIGH

We went out there for three days, on the theory that if we were going to write about cotton picking any chance to pick up a bit of first hand information would not be amiss. We point with pride to the fact that on the third day when we worked only till noon, our poundage was greater than the entire first day total. Just how many pounds that was, cannot be divulged, since it is a known fact that cotton is a vital war material, so vital that we can go off the reservation to pick it. We do know too, that if we could make a go of picking cotton, that the hundreds of Gila residents that are going out to the fields each day are getting something beside a slimmer waistline and a sense of satisfaction. The top man on the last day we were out there made \$7.83, three dollars of which was a bonus for turning in the greatest poundage.

LETTERS

We receive some jewels of letters, but like the Kohinoor, they are too big and bulky to use in commonplace surroundings.

ATTENTION MR. C. IN.C.

If you would cut your sharp brilliant thoughts into smaller carats, see last issue, we would let your facets of wisdom dazzle the eyes of our readers.

There have been some new born babes christened Gila here, and Tule there, but we feel for the Arkansas innocent who grows up to find fond folks have given him the monicker, McGehee.

Store Buys From New York City

A summary of information about Gila River's two retail stores show the following important facts:

(1) Wholesalers and jobbers give the stores the same credit terms as other stores of similar size; (2) the stores pay the Arizona state tax and federal luxury tax; (3) direct purchases are often made as far east as New York City; (4) the stores sell only for cash and profits being realized will be turned over to community-operated enterprises to be established under a cooperative association to be managed by and for the residents of the Gila River project.

TWO COMMUNITY STORES ON HIGH CREDIT RATING

The two retail stores now serving the Gila River communities have a high credit rating and are doing business with wholesalers and manufacturers from coast to coast.

Citizen To Register Soon

Attention: All citizens 21 years of age or over, or who will be 21 on or before November 3, 1942, may register by requesting an Affidavit of Registration from the registrar of voters in Los Angeles, or San Francisco, California, or through the respective county clerks.

Former addresses must be carefully specified in absentee registration.

Combined sales of the two stores are managed by men who have been successful merchants in a number of California cities.

Gilbert Kuramitsu, general manager of Community Enterprises at the Gila River project, arrived at the Canal Camp on July 20. He is a former Los Angeles resident. On July 23 he opened a store with a staff of six clerks and a small stock bought on consignment from Phoenix merchants. George Inai, former Vacaville resident, became the store's manager.

Rapid growth of the Gila River communities necessitated the opening of a store at the Butte Camp which operates under the management of Jun Toguri, Northern California export merchant.

A central warehousing system for merchandise is under the direction of Roy Nakata and Earl Tanaka, both former Los Angeles residents.

Rivers Boasts Fourth Place

A few years ago, Poston and Rivers, Arizona were but pin points on the map of the fifth largest state in the Union. Today, almost overnight, it seems, they are the third and fourth most heavily populated cities in this territory.

Boasting the highest population of 65,000 is the capital city, Phoenix, county seat of Maricopa County, and a gold and silver mining region.

Tucson, in Pima County, once the capital of Arizona in the middle of the nineteenth century, is listed in second place in the census with a total of 36,818, followed by the two relocation colonies.

VISITORS

Touring the Gila Colony last Friday were two visitors, Mr. Ernest Douglas, editor of the Arizona Farmer, and Mrs. Maude Longwell, woman's editor of the same paper.

COOPERATION REQUESTED

Residents of the Gila River communities are asked not to store lumber under their homes, according to a request today from Harvey L. Hilyard, assistant fire protection officer.

"There is a serious fire danger in piling lumber under any building," Hilyard said, "because paper, trash and other combustible material carried by the wind tends to accumulate around the lumber.

A fire which starts under a building is extremely difficult to fight."

Hilyard said fire wardens regularly visit homes in the two communities to determine what fire hazards may exist. He asked that these wardens be given every cooperation in making their inspections because "their jobs are to help the people here protect themselves and their homes against the danger of fires."

YOUNG PEOPLE'S FORUM POPULAR

With approximately 100 persons attending, the first Young People's Fellowship was held on Sunday night, Sept. 2 at 8 o'clock in mess hall 52.

Topic for the evening was "Value of Dissatisfaction." Two speakers, Satsue Fujii and Vorlin Yamamoto, both of the hospital staff presented their view points on the subject. Jimmy Sakamoto was chairman for the evening.

A group constitution will be drawn up on Sunday October 4, by six persons, Mary Obata, Grace Hagiya, Yukie Wada, Dr. Tatsu Sugiyama, Jiro Oishi and Susumu Kojima.

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

Sept. 28 To Mr. and Mrs. Hiroshi Genishi, a girl.

DRAMA GROUP

Initial meeting of the first Nisei Drama Group to be started in either camp, will be held on Friday, October 2, at 8 p.m. in Rec. Hall 56. All persons interested are asked to attend this important meeting. Various members with previous drama experience will be present. George Kanagaki, Social Recreation Chairman, will be in charge of the meeting.

FIRST SONGFEST

Drawing a large crowd, the first community sing held in the Butte Camp, provided an enjoyable evening for all attending.

With George Kanagaki as chairman for the evening, Ayako Matsumoto and Richard Miyagawa, song leaders, led the enthusiastic crowd in both old and new songs.

WELFARE DEPT. LAUNCHES BIG SCALE PROGRAM

The following information regarding the Division of Community Welfare has been announced by John M. Landward, Counsellor for that department.

The aim of the department is to provide social service for all those who are in need of that kind of assistance. The division will attempt to solve all problems involving business, social life, the family, and the like.

All questions of a social, emotional, or mental nature may be directed to the Community Welfare Department. Although this division exists to serve people in need of help with regard to their own social problems attempt to solve these problems themselves before coming for assistance.

Any person who needs help of this sort may be sure of a warm and sympathetic reception should he contact the Community Welfare Division. It is the aim of the department to further the individual interests and a sympathetic staff interested in each individual problem will be on hand.

Mr. Landward may be found in the Canal Camp from 9:30 to 11:30 every morning and in the Butte Camp from 2 to 4 every afternoon on week days.

Yeaton Succeeds Gaba as CAS Head

Bob Yeaton, former assistant housing director formally turned in his resignation and has taken over the job of CAS director of Butte Camp. Starting Sept. 28, Yeaton replaced Morton J. Gaba, who is now the assistant community service head of Canal Camp.

Turn in Address

All former Santa Maria Union High students are requested to turn in their new addresses to Paul Hagiyu at the Gila News Office, Rec. Hall 57. This compilation is for Miss Ethel Pope, vice-principal of Santa Maria High School.

Butte Camp Census Begins

There will be a general compulsory census of the entire population of Butte Camp commencing Sept. 30. The record will be taken at respective block headquarters. Census of Blocks 55, 56, 65, and 66 will be taken on Sept. 30, Oct. 1, 2, and 3. Dates for other blocks will be announced later.

The cooperation of all residents is asked by reporting at the headquarters on days assigned to them, and those possessing alien registration cards should bring them to facilitate census taking. Parents of children 14 years of age and under will be responsible for information.

Mess Hall Job Desired?

Prospective mess workers desiring employment at dining halls are requested to obtain an interview at the placement office, Rec. Hall 42, or contact Zuke Tanaka, mess workers' interviewer.

Persons who wish to work within the block in which they will reside should see Tanaka immediately. Submission of a complete crew list should be handed in directly to him, or else applications will be placed in the regular office files.

LAWNS, TREES TO ADORN GROUNDS

Plans are now being formulated for the planting of lawns and trees around the city, announced Ken Utsunomiya of the Manpower Council.

Six to eight foot trees will soon be planted at various intervals of the camp, with 4 between each barrack, 2 at each end; 5 by the men's showers, 200 within the firebreaks, and at the edges of camp to serve as a windbreak. Bermuda grass will also be planted.

BUDDHIST CHOIR

Buddhist choir practice will be held tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock at the Buddhist Church.



With a microscopic eye and an added backward glance at Santa Anita's Pacemaker, we scrutinize the journalistic efforts of other centers and transcribe to you news from fellow camps...

Among the advertisements of Manzanar's Free Press drifts word that 294 harvest workers are headed for the sugar beet fields of Montana....ah, parting is such sweet sorrow!...

Opening of new Utah and Arkansas centers were announced by the Army, states the Pacific Citizen....but Gila leads them all, oh? (blessed ogotism!) Another head shouts--"Nativo Sons Favor Movement to Expel All Japanese from U.S.".....humpf!

With "ants in his pants", a staff reporter from Fresno's Grapevine trokked to Morced's evacuated center....gads, are they never at home?? A few more colonists at Fresno have gone "beet batty" too.....

Poston claims to have more women workers than men....let the Gilas look 'em over, fellow heat sufferers....and as "fair" judges of this VITAL matter we'll tell you if your "pulchritude" matches ours!..P.S. Kindly furnish some means of transportation besides good rubber soles for this emergency errand!

"All's fair in love and war", and so for our good friends, the Santa Anitans. "Residents to Call for Toilet Paper" reverberates one of their stories....WE would be a trifle more "subtle" about such matters!....hold them shoot-in' irons!..We admire your steady work despite the progressively diminishing staff.

RESIDENTS MAY SECURE TIN CANS

Residents who wish to secure tin cans from the mess halls for flower pots and other objects of home use are welcome to them, stated John C. Henderson, Employment and Housing Officer. Use of cans for such purposes should be encouraged.

CANAL CAMP NEWS

MERRY GO
ROUND
M.I.

POST OFFICE ISSUES RULES

Precautionary notes were issued by the Canal Post Office Department concerning deliveries and conveniences of mailing letters and packages.

Foston, Arizona, and Lordsburg, New Mexico have no air mail service and attempts to send letters by air are useless.

Sealed letters and packages are charged three cents an ounce. Newspapers should be folded three times and have a wrapping around it, making it possible to be slipped out whenever necessary and not sealed as done lately.

In mailing orders, money order should be used instead of C.O.D. for quicker delivery and conveniences. Full names and addresses are required also.

COLONISTS SEE 'ARIZONA BOUND'

"Arizona Bound", starring Buck Jones and Tim Holt, won the plaudits of 5,000 Canal Campers last week at the CAS constructed outdoor pavilion situated in front of Block 13.

Kindly donor of this most welcome entertainment was Father Clement of the Maryknoll Catholic School.

Father Clement, through the efforts of his superior, Father Hugh Lavery, is attempting a continual bi-weekly return to the Gila Relocation Center.

The Father left late last week after conducting a service in Rec. Hall 7.

RECORD TIME MADE BY MOTOR PLANE

Minoru Oishi of Block 23 made a record time as his rubbered motor airplane flew for 7½ minutes over the southern end of the Canal Camp Thursday noon. Oishi traveled half a mile to recover it. Prior to this expedition, he had already lost three models, due to the fact that he couldn't find the planes that headed out toward the desert.

Fryer Delivers Message At Gala 'Obon' Festival

E.R. Fryer, acting project director, gave an opening address to the 5,000 spectators who were crowded in front of the Canal Camp Buddhist church to witness the gala bon odori festival. The affair was held Sunday night with 350 dancers clad in beautiful kimonos, adorning the colorful dancing ring which was decorated by the church committee members.

Mr. S. Setsu Iwahashi gave the response to Mr. Fryer's address.

Master of Ceremony, Shig Horiuchi, of the Bussei Board of Directors, announced the order numbers.

During intermission, local talents gave musical numbers, with Dick Miyagawa highlighting the talents.

Refreshments were passed out to all the participating dancers, through the courtesy of the Buddhist church, served by the committee.

CAS, Wardens to OK Activities

Talent shows, dances, movies, parties, social gatherings and other community activities must have the approval of the CAS Office and the Wardens Office, stated Takeo Tada of the CAS staff.

Application sheets must be filled out by the leader in charge. These sheets which must be made out in triplicate are available at the CAS Office. This ruling applies to both Butte and Canal Camp.

NEW LOCATION FOR CAS OFFICE

The CAS office, formerly situated in Rec. Hall 13, has been shifted to Rec. Hall 3.

All CAS departments including the Canal Branch of the Gila News Courier has been transferred.

OUT OF THE crowd of evacuees who unfurled the "Welcome home, cotton pickers" banner, the ones registering the biggest disappointments were the camp belles who had sought gold and found they'd hit a copper mine. Well, the best laid plans of mice and men—

STORY OF THE WEEK (ALMOST)—The eight o'clock Sunday breakfast that Lady Rumor so kindly put into effect took a sudden deflation when Chief Steward Harding registered surprise at hearing it. So, Contoritos, reveille is still 7 a.m.

UNSUNG HEROES are the all-powerful officials who stand back of the catcher in a baseball game. A normal man at the start of the game, he loaves (or is carried) with a smile on his face, a shake in his knees, his ears ringing with ovations from the winning team, threats of dire danger from the losers, and murmuring disappointments from the spectators who came to see a man-hunt and found a ball game.

CROWD ATTENDS SYMPHONY HOUR

With an attendance of 75 music lovers, the Music Appreciation Hour was held at the Christian Church last week from 8 p.m. The inspiring program consisted of well-known classical recordings. Among them were: "On Wings of Song" by Felix Mendelssohn, "Hungarian Rhapsody, No. 2" by Franz Liszt, played by the Philadelphia Orchestra, and "Le Rove" (The Dream) from Manon by Massenet, sung by Tito Schipa, tenor.

Owners of records are encouraged to leave a list of them at the CAS office, Block 13 in order that more and better programs may be presented.

APPEALS FOR BOOKS

Those who have private books and are willing to lend them to the Canal Library are requested to submit their names and addresses to the library.

GILA ATHLETIC UNION TO BE ORGANIZED; SIX-ELEVEN MEN FOOTBALL VOTED BY ATHLETES

In a meeting called by Assistant Supervisor Harry Ota, it was decided by the 100 or so athletes attending that both six and 11 men football will be played and teams can organize and participate in either of the two leagues as they so desire.

It was suggested that an Athletic Union be organized, to which Robert Yeaton, CAS Director, rallied behind and gave his approval and full consent of such an organization. It was also decided that a slight fee of ten cents be charged to join the Athletic Union so as to build a reserve fund for the CAS.

Rules and regulations will be made by an Athletic Union Board chosen by the Recreational Department.

Two fields, one eighty yards long for six man football and one hundred yards for 11 men has already been laid out.

FEM'S NET GAME GETS UNDERWAY

In order to make the volleyball league a success, a girls' team ago rally was held Monday night, Sept. 28 at 8 p.m. in Rec. Hall 60 with Ruby Kiritu, Girls' Sport Director, assistant Anne Fujimoto, Yoshiko Honma, and Hama Tachihara, co-chairmen of girls clubs, in charge.

Tonight at 6:45 p.m. at 62 Rec. Area the following volleyball teams will play: Teensters vs. Pepperettes, Pasadena vs. Blacksheeps and Jinx vs. Tulariettes. Thursday night finds the Hi-Jinx taking on the Arizona Scorpions, Pasadena against Turlock, and Young Teensters tackling Tulariettes. Friday night, Turlock will play "flashy" Alhambra, Jinx will clash with the Hi-Jinx, while Blacksheeps play Arizona Scorpions.

Scores of last night's opening game were:
 Tulariettes.....0
 Pepperettes.....2
 Jinx.....2
 Teensters.....0
 Hi-Jinx.....2
 Alhambra.....0

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BOY'S DIRECTOR CALLS MEETING

Director of Boys' Athletics, Shig Goto, has called a meeting of all athletes under 17 years of age on Friday at 10 a.m. in Rec. Hall 54.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the proposed football program.

Already there are 45 members listed and other boys interested are asked to attend this meeting.

HORSESHOE JOUST TO START SUNDAY

Total of 32 horseshoe slingers will compete for top honors in the Round Robin Singles Tournament this Sunday at 1 p.m. announced Goro Maeda, CAS Athletic Director. The schedule for the Singles is posted in the CAS office.

Pits to be played in will be announced later.

SIGN-UP OF CANAL TEAMS IN LEAGUES

With six teams already entered in the Commercial League and five in the League for the Mess Halls, sign-up is still going on. Goro Maeda, who is in charge of the organization of the leagues, requests teams to hand in list of players as soon as possible at CAS office.

LEAGUE LEADERS IN HOMESTRETCH

AMERICAN LEAGUE	W	L	Pct.
Gila Cyclones	6	1	.857
L.A. Bulldogs	6	2	.750
S.J. Scrubs	5	2	.714
Firemen	5	2	.714

NATIONAL LEAGUE	W	L	Pct.
Ochi Bros.	5	1	.833
Scorpions	5	1	.833
Saltpetors	6	2	.750

Gila Cyclones Meet San Jose Tonight At 6:30

League pacer, Gila Cyclones take the field against the S.J. Scrubs tonight at 6:30 in the American League.

In tomorrow's twilight game, two second division teams, Rough Riders and Rowdies meet.

On Friday, the Scrubs and the Firemen battle for third slot in the standing. On the same day, the Dust Stormers and the Blisterbugs battle it out.

In the National League, the cellar dwelling Cactus Nine meet the potent Ochi Brothers tonight.

Tomorrow, Sangor cross-bat against the Gila Nine while the Solons meet the Spitfires.

Closing the week on Friday will be the Arizona Wildcat-Gophor may.

MIYAGAWA URGES BOXING SIGN-UP

Boxing lessons started last Monday morning with eight aspirants turning up for workouts under Dick Miyagawa.

Due to the fact that day workouts cannot be taken by workers, Miyagawa will give night lessons if enough persons sign up and make appointments with him.

As yet, there are no boxing gloves but Miyagawa has written letters to outside organizations, asking if equipment could be contributed.

All those interested in any phase of boxing should contact Miyagawa, Blackie Ishimoto, or report to the gym, which incidentally is at a new location, Rec. 54 and not Rec. 55 as previously announced.

TEN FINALISTS TO FORM AYE LEAGUE

Softball will not terminate in Canal Camp even after the current schedule reaches its finale.

Ice-Breaker managers have decided to form an A league with the top five teams of both leagues.

The ten finalists will be able to draft players from the second division teams after which a junior circuit will probably be formed.