

VOLUNTEER STATES HIS REASONS

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Dear Mr. Editor:

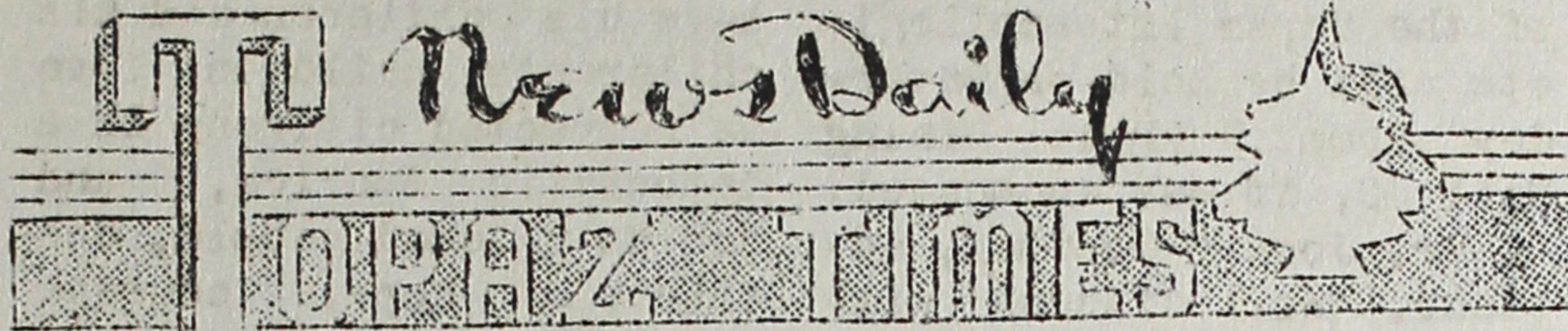
I have volunteered to be enlisted as a soldier in the Army of the United States. I did this because it is my firm conviction that the destiny of the Japanese American people is here in America. I say this fully aware of the fact that we, as a minority among 130,000,000 people, have for years suffered from racial discrimination and prejudices, and have found life in this country a continuous and bitter struggle for the elevation of our social status.

I am as much embittered as any other evacuee when I consider how our race was

singled out to be uprooted from our homes, farms and business on the Pacific coast and herded behind barbed-wire fences, even though we were American citizens and our parents were law-abiding pioneers who have been denied citizenship by the U.S. naturalization laws.

But my faith in America and in our destiny here is something that, I am certain, can be understood and shared in by every thinking evacuee---or by any other person who, though oppressed through discrimination, knows that there is in the American way of life something that stands as being incompatible with

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REGISTRATION NEAR END; WAR DEPT. TEAM TO LEAVE

Registration was practically completed today. With the exception of a few isolated cases where illness or other legitimate reason has prevented residents from filling their questionnaires, every person in Topaz above the age of 17 has now complied with the registration program.

Registration of male citizens over 17 years of age was reported to be 100%. With the total of male citizens little in excess of 1450, the grand total for all registrants stood today at about 6100.

While scheduled block registration was concluded Thursday afternoon, the registration headquarters in Dining Hall 1 remained opened throughout today to care for a few who had for some reason or other not filled in their questionnaires previously. Also patients between the age limit confined in the hospital are being registered today and tomorrow.

Claude C. Cornwall, in general charge of registration, reported that the few isolated cases of non-registration were being finally checked, and that it was anticipated that Saturday would see the work entirely completed. This established for Topaz a fine record that will stand up with and probably surpass any of the 9 other relocation centers, he said.

Lt. W.L. Tracy, captain of the War Department team which is registering the

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HOSPITAL NURSES' AIDES NEEDED

To meet the existing shortage of hospital personnel, a call was made this week by Mrs. C. Kitow, RN, for more sincerely interested persons to apply at the hospital administration office for the new nurses' aide course to be started March 8. Graduates of the course will be accepted as nurses' aides.

CLOTHES ALLOWANCES, WAGES ARE TAXABLE

Wages and clothing allowances paid to residents who are employed must be regarded as income for tax purposes, the Bureau of Internal Revenue has ruled, according to Dillon S. Myer, national WRA director. This is true regardless of whether the income is paid by the WRA, consumer enterprises or any other employer.

The bureau has ruled that they need not figure as income for tax purposes the following: Subsistence furnished including food, housing, medical care and education; public assistance grants; unemployment compensation; or clothing allowances paid to those involuntarily employed.

Any single person who earned \$500 or over and any married person who earned \$1200 or more in 1942 must file a return.

DANCE BAND TO HELP DELTANS IN BOND DRIVE

The popular dance orchestra recently organized under the leadership of Tom Tsuji will leave this evening for Delta to help the Deltans in their "Buy Bond" campaign which began last Monday.

The 11 band-members will have the support of Miss Elsie Itashiki, Goro Suzuki and Miss May Hayashida, vocalists; Ichiro Sasaki, magician; and Miss Sadie Towata, pianist.

The orchestra will provide music for the dance which from 9 PM tonight will climax the patriotic campaign.

WEATHER REPORT

Max. (Thurs. night) 45° F.
Min. (Fri. morn.) 27° F.

ATHLETICS

Tennis, boxing and softball are expected to be among the City's major sports this spring, it was stated by the Community Activities section. The details of the new program will be released later.

CITY-WIDE FUN CARNIVAL TO BE OPENED TOMORROW

For the first time since the former Tanforan Assembly Center days a carnival will be sponsored by the recreation department for the amusement of the entire public. Centered at Rec 10, the festival, titled "Igloo Crawl Inn," will start off Saturday at 2:30 PM and continue through Sunday.

In addition to regular game prizes, grand prizes will be awarded to the holders of lucky tickets, according to Miss Masako Ikeda, chairman of the carnival committee.

Hot-dogs and French fried potatoes will be sold.

Some of the names of the novel and elaborately decorated concessions are: "Have You Seen Aurora?," "Alaskan Shuffle," "Tip the Kayak," "Walrus Golf," "Glacier Slide" and "Spear 'Em."

Committee members under Miss Ikeda are Frank Ono, Kei Kawamoto, Yosh Isono and Miss Mary Fujikawa.

INFANTS ARE ENTITLED TO SPECIAL FOOD

Infants one to 2 years of age are entitled to receive baby food. Parents should consult their block nurses for their children's need, Brandon Watson, project steward, announced.

Persons requiring special soft diet may contact the block nurses to obtain permits which will be issued by doctors.

Residents should not change from one diet to another without proper authorization, Watson declared.

COMPENSATE MOST FEB. OVERTIME THIS MONTH

Resident employees were notified this week that all overtime accrued to them this month should be compensated as time-off during February, it was pointed out by the time-keeping department.

However, if the overtime has been accrued during the last week of the month, the compensatory hours should be taken off as early as possible in March.

STUDENT CLUB TO HOLD MEET SATURDAY NIGHT

Termed the "Vitalizer," the monthly mass meeting of the Topaz Intercollegiate will be held on Saturday from 7 PM at Dining Hall 32, it was announced.

Dr. Joseph Goodman, advisor, will discuss with the group the practical applications in Topaz of the definite interests and training in all collegiate endeavors. Buro Hosoume will introduce the speaker.

The following members are responsible for planning the different phases of the evening's program: Tom Hoshiyama, singspiration; Mrs. Joe Goodman, folk dancing; Tosh Nabeta, general arrangements; Kimi Nao, refreshments; Min Yoshida, posters; and Kay Yamashita, hall.

Tonight the "World Today" interest group, which is sponsored by the student organization, will meet at 32-12-E from 7:30, according to Doris Hayashi, temporary chairman.

WAR DEPT., WRA REGISTRATION ALMOST COMPLETE

(Continued from Page 1) male citizens, stated that he would continue to be available to registrants through Saturday should any of them desire to discuss further any part of the military service program. He added, however, that with the success of the program assured, he and his team would probably leave Topaz either Sunday or Monday.

To celebrate the successful conclusion of the registration, Cornwall and members of his staff are to be hosts at a party for all those who aided in the registration. The affair will be held in Dining Hall 1 from 7:30 tonight.

CITIZEN TELLS WHY HE HAS VOLUNTEERED

(Continued from Page 1) totalitarianism or with any doctrine demanding the regimentation of man's will to fight and strive for the betterment of his position.

I believe that it is the desire of every Japanese American today to have his children and his children's children live as respected citizens in a democratic America, and not as a hated people, destitute of hope, courage and contentment.

Yet we cannot have this desire realized unless we are willing now---when the War Department offers us the chance to fight for America on the battlefield---to devote the utmost of ourselves to this cause, and to let not the darkness of our present situation or our grievances prevent us from proving our worth before the eyes of the American public.

KOZO KITAMURA

SICK ABSENCE CLARIFIED BY DR. BOARDMAN

To clarify the subject of sick leaves from work, Acting Chief Medical Officer Donnell W. Boardman issued the following statement:

In accordance to office letter #9 (revised), absences due to sickness shall be allowed up to 2 days without a doctor's certificate, and up to 15 days for one illness, provided a doctor's certificate is presented within 48 hours after return to duty.

An individual cannot be granted a doctor's certificate of illness after he has recovered. The doctor must see the patient when ill. If the patient is hospitalized, the hospital office may submit such a certificate of illness without a physician's signature, since the hospital chart is evidence of the doctor's approval.

日米新新聞

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最低(三六朝)三七度
最高(三音夜)四五度

深刻な関心を集めた 登録好成績で終る

男子市民の登録百ハセント

病氣その他正当なる理由で未済の僅少の者を除き、当市在住の適齡者全部が登録され、事實上今日を以て登録が完了されたと譯である。適齡男子市民の登録は百ハセントであつたと報告されて居り、登録者總数は約六千名で、其内男子市民約一千四百五十名である。ブランク順に依る登録は昨二十

五日(木)を以て終る日程であつたが、何等かの理由で登録減らしたつてゐた人達のため、今日第一食堂内登録所は終日開かれ、居た、尚入院患者の登録は同部員が、今日明日と病院を訪問してこれを完了することになつてゐる。監督官コーンウォール氏の報告に依れば極めて少數の未済者も判明したので、明日(土)を以て愈々登録も終結を告げる事となつた。トール市の成績は何ハズ市の成績は何水の轉住所のそれらに優るとも方りぬ。

のであると云はれる。陸軍省派遣のウイリアム・L・トリーニイ中尉は明日(土)は終日登録所に出勤し、官志願に関する相談にあはせると云はれる。管であるが、登録も成功裡に終つたので、多分今日曜日か月曜日には帰路につく。昨日は帰路につく。第一食堂に於てコーンウォール氏が主催となつて登録係員全部を招待し、慰労會を加催せらる。

病氣缺勤許可 規定改正される

醫師の診断書必要

病氣缺勤許可に關する事項を明瞭にするため、醫務官D.W.ホードマン氏は規定を發表した。公報第九號(改訂)に従ひ、二日間以内の病氣缺勤には醫師の證明は不要であり、十五日間以内

の病氣缺勤の場合、罹病中に醫師の診察の上受取り間以内は醫師の署名を要する。名入り證明書を提出すれば、缺勤期間中の給料を差引かせる事はない。右醫師の署名を名入り診断書に必ず記入し、必要である。

病院の擴張を期し 看護婦助手養成 近く講習會開始

看護助手養成講習會のクラスが三月八日(月)から開始される。当市病院看護婦長鬼頭千ス夫人の講話によると、右クラスは三週間と亘つて毎日開かれ、これを終へた生徒は一人前の助手として勤務出来るわけである。たは病院ではさらに新し病棟二つを準備は整つてゐるが、看護婦不足で、この處に可能と成つてゐる。この方面に仕事を希望する人は、病院内管理部へおし、申込みされたら、日希望してゐる。若し物

- EXPLANATION -

- ① REGISTRATION ENDS.
- ② SICK LEAVES EXPLAINED.
- ③ NURSE AIDES COURSE.
- ④ LOST AND FOUND DEPT.
- ⑤ DIET FOODS FOR INFANTS.

嬰児に調整食物

ニオ以下の嬰児には特別の調整食物を與へらる事には、リ父母達は各自のラウリ附看護婦と相談されたいと、厨部長ワトソンは發表した。

藪に一個、ハーカー式黒色萬年筆一本、ウーターマ式鉛筆萬年筆一個、カチ十一、シウク紛失物取扱所に、又鍵三個と、兵在御軍人札(番号M五二一八)とを連ねた鍵一個、カチ十、ホアウリマネ、一事務所に、ハチの人は受取りました。

