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WRA BUDGET FOR NEXT YEAR BEING PLANNED, HUGHES

Matters pertinent to the WRA budget for the coming year were discussed during the conference of administrative heads of all centers held in Denver last week, stated James F. Hughes, deputy director, who returned here yesterday. Gilbert Klesse, finance officer, also attended the meeting.

The WRA budget for the third quarter of the current fiscal year, January through March, 1944, the employment quota, the refining of fiscal, cost accounting, warehousing and personnel procedures were among the items taken up at the Denver meet. Recommendations from each project of its needs for the coming year will be reviewed by the Washington WRA and the bureau of budgets before final allocations for the various centers will be made.

In reference to the employment quota, Hughes stated that it will be necessary to view the situation realistically and curb employment to a minimum consistent with project needs.

Duncan Mills, chief of the personnel management in Washington, arrived in Topaz from the conference with Hughes and Klesse to discuss personnel management here.

MRS. MATSUI DIES

Mrs. Tane Matsui, 68, of 10-4-E passed away at the center hospital yesterday morning.

A former San Francisco resident, Mrs. Matsui is survived by two sons, Edward, and Masaji and his wife, Grace.

1400 CASES OF INFLUENZA IN CENTER, SURVEY SHOWS

PLACEMENT UNIT MOVES TO BLK 2

The placement and transactions units now under the personnel management division moved their offices to block 2, barrack 11, last Saturday.

The transactions unit was formerly in administration building A and the placement was housed in the relocation building.

Helvin E. Rantala and William J. Campbell will co-ordinate the work of their respective offices under the newly established personnel office.

Approximately 1400 cases of influenza were reported as of yesterday, according to Dr. J. A. Simpson, chief medical officer. Of this number, 5 persons have been hospitalized and 5 cases have developed into pneumonia.

According to a survey of influenza cases in the past 10 days taken last Saturday by the block managers, block 9 has 113 residents ill with the flu. A large number of cases were reported by block 29 with 83 cases, block 36 with 85, block 30 with 72 and block 38 with 68. Only 10 cases were reported by block 16.

The block managers survey revealed that persons are usually ill from 2 to 4 days and the majority of cases are light.

Today, the number of cases were receding in some blocks while other blocks reported an increasing number.

Since the general, well-baby, and dental clinics will be closed until further notice, Dr. Simpson asks the residents who become ill to contact their block nurse for treatments.

All persons with colds are requested to remain at home. Dr. Simpson warned residents to keep away from public gatherings, avoid exposure and to get plenty of sleep and rest.

ART SCHOOL PLANS PARTY FOR KIDDIES

The Topaz Art School will hold a Christmas party for the children of Mrs. Hibi's class on Sunday from 2 PM at the art school in room 7. The parents of the children are urged to tell them to attend as no fee will be charged.

Fifty Santa Clauses made by Mrs. Hibi will be given to children confined in the hospital.

CALIF. TAXES ON REAL ESTATE DUE

Although real estate taxes for California property is now past due, if payments are mailed to the local tax collector's office immediately, they are still being accepted without penalty attached, the resident legal section stated today.

Persons holding real property in California who have not yet paid their semi annual taxes are advised to do so at once.

ASSEMBLY TO PROBE FAIR PLAY GROUP

A hearing to investigate the activities of the Pacific Coast Committee for American Principles and Fair Play was being slated in Los Angeles by an interim committee of the California state assembly this week.

Headed by Assemblyman Chester Cannon of Sacramento, the group is investigating a publication of the Pasadena chapter and articles by Dr. Galen Fisher of the University of California. The committee will scrutinize the activities of the Fellowship of Reconciliation in that state.

WEATHER	Max.	Min.
Saturday.....	45°	12°
Sunday.....	38°	12°
Monday.....	43°	18°

LT. ARMSTRONG, STATE SENATE MAKES "KEEP CAMP SAVAGE RECRUITER, HERE JAPANESE OUT" REQUEST

Lt. Claire E. Armstrong of Camp Savage arrived here this noon to recruit candidates for the language school. He is accompanied by Tech. Sgts. David J. Watanabe and James N. Tanizawa.

The interviewing team will meet men interested in becoming soldier interpreters and translators this afternoon and all day tomorrow in Claude C. Cornwall's office in the administration annex.

Miss Akamatsu Weds Nomura

Elly Akamatsu became the bride of Kyosuke Nomura Saturday afternoon at the Protestant Church, rec. 22. Rev. Shimada officiated.

The bride, formerly of Alameda, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norichika Akamatsu of 11-4-A. Her husband, eldest son of Mrs. Nomura, 12-3-C, is from Berkeley.

The newlyweds are now residing at 33-9-F.

OTA-HIROTA TROTH REVEALED SATURDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Mitutarō Ota, 20-8-B, announced the engagement of their second daughter, Shizu, to Mamoru Hirota, 5-12-CD, last Saturday.

Miss Ota is a former resident of Berkeley, California. Hirota is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Masajiro Hirota of Oakland.

Both are employed at the reports division.

TENTATIVE XMAS PLANS RELEASED

Tentative plans for the Christmas program were released today by the CAS.

The program will begin on December 23 with the dedication of the high school gym-auditorium. The Delta high school band and choir will present a Christmas concert on that night preceding the formal dedication ceremonies.

Other activities for the holiday week end include a pageant by the Protestant Church on Christmas eve and block parties on the 25th. Special church services will be held on Christmas morning.

GOODMAN TALK ON BAY AREA SET

Dr. Joe Goodman, physical education director of Topaz High School, will address residents on the former Japanese communities in the bay region, it was learned today. His talk, sponsored by the block 11 lay committee, will be held Thursday from 7:30 PM at dining hall 11.

Dr. Goodman returned recently from San Francisco after a 2-week stay there. At that time he made a study of conditions today as compared to pre-evacuation days of the Japanese sections, it was stated.

He is expected to leave the high school staff for California some time this month.

Warning that their presence in California "will inevitably lead to violence and bloodshed," a state senate fact-finding committee appealed Saturday to President Roosevelt to keep Japanese civilians out of that state for the duration.

The five committeemen, after reviewing testimony on the Tule Lake situation, wired the following appeals to the President:

"This committee fears and knows that the relocation in this state of Japanese during the war will inevitably lead to violence and bloodshed, thus creating an excuse for mistreatment of American civilian and military prisoners in Japan; many of whom are citizens of this state.

"Because of the extreme difficulty, if not impossibility, of determining the loyalty of Japanese, foreign or native-born, believe that such action would further the dangers of sabotage and espionage, endangering the security of the Pacific Coast."

PEGGY KAWATA, KANZAWA ENGAGED

The engagement of Miss Peggy Kawata, 36-2-C, to Larry Kanzawa was recently announced at a party held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. Hirono of 6-12-C.

The new bride-elect is formerly of Tule Lake where her parents are still residents. Her fiancée, now working in Delta, is the son of Rev. Tsunetaro Kanzawa.

GRANARY FIRE AT GILA RIVER CAMP BRINGS \$1700 DAMAGES

In the Gila center's worst fire to date an estimated \$1700 went up in flames as the granary on the project farm was razed to its foundations.

According to the Gila News-Courier, by the time the Butte fire department's 2 fire engines arrived at the scene the fire was already out of control. The fire crew

therefore concentrated their efforts on keeping the flames from spreading to the nearby pig pens and farrowing houses.

Not only was the granary completely destroyed, but one to two tons each of tankage, bonemeal, cottonseed meal, barley, ground alfalfa meal, and corn were lost, the News-Courier stated.

BIRTHS	
MITA--To Mrs. Makoto Mita, 13-2-F, December 5, a boy.	
MORIGUCHI--To Mrs. Hachio Moriguchi, 23-6-B, December 8, a boy.	
DEATHS	
NAKATSUKASA--Ikumatsu Nakatsukasa, 68, 4-5-F, December 9.	
SAWAI--Zenshichi Sawai, 67, 29-4-F, December 12.	

