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SPECIAL EVENTS PLANNED FOR THANKSGIVING

3 KILLED, 3 WOUNDED WITH 442ND IN FRANCE

Special events to observe Thanksgiving are being planned. These events will also honor a number of servicemen from Ft. Snelling, Minn., who are expected to visit here next week.

Highlight affairs of the week will be a dinner and a dance on Tuesday by the USO and the CAS and a community-wide dance on Thursday night.

The dinner and dance at rec 4 on Tuesday night will honor visiting soldiers and inductees. The dinner will begin from 6 o'clock. Mrs. S. Arimoto is general chairman and Mrs. Kuni Yatabe is entertainment chairman.

The CAS will sponsor the community-wide dance on Thanksgiving to honor Ft. Snelling servicemen. The affair will start from 8 PM in the auditorium.

In addition to these feature events will be the presentation of a minstrel show on Tuesday night by the Delta Lion's Club under the sponsorship of the high school yearbook staff.

There will be a general Thanksgiving service in English and Japanese at the Protestant Church on Wednesday night from 7:30 with Rev. Shimada and Rev. Nugent in charge. On Friday afternoon and night the YBA will present the technical film, "Home In Indiana", in the gym.

For the local residents, the CAS will sponsor a variety show in the auditorium on Saturday night.

LOST: Brown pigskin wallet between block 32 and auditorium. Return to 32-10-AB.

WEATHER	Max.	Min.
Wednesday.....	45°	23°
Thursday.....	42°	23°
Friday.....	48°	22°

Six more servicemen were added this week to the Topaz casualty list. Three were killed in action and three were wounded. All six of the service-

NOV 23 RESIDENTS MAY OBSERVE HOLIDAY

Thanksgiving, November 23, is not a holiday for WRA employees but resident workers may take the day off with the approval of their section head and have it charged against their accumulated vacation leave. Project Director L.T. Hoffman announced today.

Those who do not wish to have the day off on this basis can work the entire day or any part of it by making arrangements with their section head.

All employees are requested to indicate their intentions to their supervisor not later than Wednesday of next week.

In anticipation that the majority of workers will desire the day off, dining halls will serve only two meals on Thanksgiving: breakfast, 10 to 10:45 AM; dinner, 4:30 to 5:30 PM.

Appointed staff personnel will work all day Thanksgiving. They plan a community dinner at 6 PM.

6TH WAR LOAN DRIVE SET FOR NOV. 20-DEC. 16

An invitation to participate in the Sixth War Loan Drive from November 20 to December 16 was extended to the residents at a meeting held yesterday in the project director's office. Community council, CAS, and block managers representatives attended.

The appointed personnel contribution will be 35 per cent of their September salaries to reach the \$14,000 quota.

men were with the 442nd Infantry Battalion in France.

Killed in action are S/Sgt. John Harano, Pvt. Teruo Tabata, and Pfc. Kunio Hattori. Jimmy Hiroshima, Pfc. Masazo Kariya and Roy Ikeda were wounded.

Sgt. Harano, son of Sataro Harano of 20-3-E, was a volunteer for the Japanese Combat Team and was inducted in the summer of 1943. He received his training at Camp Shelby, Mississippi, until he went overseas in May of this year. Prior to the evacuation he lived in Berkeley, California.

Another brother, Pvt. Roy Harano, is now stationed at Camp Blending, Florida. Sgt. Harano is also survived by four brothers, Satoru George of 28-5-CD, Frank, Philadelphia, Penn.; Earl, North Platt, Neb.; Mosashi, Chicago, Ill.; and three sisters, Mrs. Mary Miyake, Ogden; Mrs. Sue Yamasaki, Wooster, Ohio; and Mrs. Tomika Shibutani, Chicago.

First reported as missing in action Pvt. Tabata, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Yataro Tabata, was killed in France on October 28, the War Department notified the family yesterday. Also a volunteer, he was inducted in August, 1943, and received his training at Camp Shelby. A former resident of San Mateo and Oakland, California, the late soldier attended Oakland Technical high school and the San Francisco Junior College. While in this center he was sports writer for the Topaz Times.

He is also survived by two older brothers, Nobuo and Yoshio.

Pfc. Kunio Hattori, husband of Mrs. Mary Shizuko Hattori, a former resident now relocated to Chicago, was killed in action on Oc-

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We Pay Tribute . . .

Today the Topaz Times pays special tribute to Pvt. Terry Tabata, a former staff member, who was reported this week as killed in action on October 28 in France. Terry was just another ordinary kid in his ways, nothing special or outstanding--except that he volunteered his life to fight for the ideals in which he believed with all his heart.

We will always remember him as the one in our bunch who liked to play bridge with us, the one who grabbed sports and everything else with us, and as the one who loved to eat more than anything else. We always know that he was a volunteer but we really did not think too much about it. We were sure that he would come back.

So the news yesterday was shocking to us--as it must have been to his family, whose sorrows can never be expressed fully except by those who have had to bear similar experiences.

To Terry, the other servicemen overseas, and those in training who will go "over" soon we humbly express our admiration for the worthiness of their purpose.

TOPAZANS TO RAISE FUND TO AID ACLU WITH NISEI TEST CASES

A total of \$322 has been turned into the community council office for the current fund drive to help the American Civil Liberties Union present various cases on behalf of the Japanese American evacuees.

The goal for the drive which started this week is \$1200.

Simultaneous with this drive the council is attempting to raise \$300 for a general community fund. Seventy-five dollars have already been received for this purpose.

MORE ABOUT TOPAZ CASUALTIES

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tober 20. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kinji Hattori of the Granada, Colo., center. Prior to going overseas last August, Pfc. Hattori received his training at Camp Grant, Ill.; and Camp Blanding. He was inducted into the army in March, 1941.

Formerly of San Anselmo, California, he attended Sequoia Union high school in Redwood City and the Ross Junior College. He is also survived by a brother, John Den, of Chicago who is in the enlisted reserve corps, and a sister, Mitsuko of Granada.

Pfc. Kariya, son of Mr. and Mrs. Yujiro Kariya of 4-10-E was wounded in ac-

FIVE WRA FIELD OFFICES CLOSED

Five WRA field offices in the Western farming areas have been closed permanently. It was disclosed today. The offices are located in Grand Junction, Colorado; Scottsbluff, Nebraska; Casper, Wyoming; Billings, Montana; and Havre, Montana.

Other field offices will be closed on the following dates: Spanish Fork, November 30; Idaho Falls, November 30; and Twin Falls, December 31.

tion on October 29. His wife, Shizu, resides in Chicago. He received his training at Camp Grant and Camp Blanding prior to going overseas in August. Before his induction three years ago, he lived in Belmont, California.

Roy Ikeda was wounded on October 16, according to word received by his mother, Mrs. Takeko Ikeda, 6-11-CD. A former San Franciscan, he has been in the army for three years. He trained at Fort Sill, Oklahoma; and at Camp Shelby.

A letter from Jimmy Hiroshima in France to his mother, Mrs. Utako Hiroshima of 6-10-F indicated that he had been wounded. He is from San Francisco.

OUR

BY THE FUTURE PLANNING COMMISSION

In planning our future for our families we must decide now whether to return to California or go East to establish our new home. This is, of course, an individual problem and a generalized solution is impossible. Those who have property on the Coast, or whose former employers are in need of their services, no doubt think of returning to California.

Besides legal technicalities and political setups the community sentiment is an important factor which we must consider. When the news of a possible return of the evacuees reached the West Coast, some of the newspapers have carried editorials against the plan. At this time, we believe it is advisable to write to our old friends, neighbors, former business associates, or our former employers and get more intimate information as to how they feel about our return. By personal correspondence with the residents of the local community we might obtain more accurate information.

Sickness and misfortune are things we just cannot predict. "Save for a rainy day" is old but still good advice. However, if we meet misfortune in spite of all our efforts when we are relocated in a certain locality, there are ways of meeting this situation. Through a special fund administered by the Social Security Board and contributed to the WRA, provisions can be made to take care of our illnesses and financial problems after relocation. Excellent health services, institutional care and supplementary family allowances are available when emergency arises. In cases of misfortune outside the center, the family should immediately get in touch with the WRA officer in the place where they relocated.



AG SECTION REPORTS DELAY IN HARVESTING

BOSTON WRA INTERVIEWER AVAILABLE UNTIL DEC. 1

Recent storms during which the temperature dropped to 22 degrees have hampered progress in the food harvests, the agricultural section reported. Every effort is being made to complete the harvesting as soon as possible, Wendell Palmer, farm chief, said.

There are about 7 acres of potatoes, 4 acres of celery and some daikon and nappa yet to be harvested.

Most of the celery crop, of which there is more than the center can consume at once, is being trenched and hilled in the fields. Those harvested now are being stored for about two weeks in the root cellar.

6 MEN NEEDED AT SKI LODGE

Six men are wanted to maintain the ski run at the Alta Ski Lodge in Alta, Utah. The workers will be paid \$6.50 per day for 6 or 7 days a week. Two dollars per day will be charged for room and board. A bonus of 50 cents a day will be given to men who work until the end of the season which is through April.

PLEASE CLAIM

Two new pairs of socks were left in the carrier about two weeks ago. The owner may claim them at the gate house internal security.

Takahashi's Family Of Seven Relocates To Albuquerque, N.M.

Frank Takahashi, formerly of 5-3-B, who relocated to Albuquerque, New Mexico, early this year, has called his wife, Yayoi, two children, Lauren, age 4 years and Lynn, age 10 months; his father Eijiro, age 65 and his two sisters Agnes, age 22 and Sarah, age 14 to live on his farm there. Eijiro is a complete paralytic invalid. Sarah will attend the Albuquerque High School.

Frank is operating a 35-

NEW ENGLAND MOVIES SLATED

Two movies on the New England states, "This is New England" and "New England--Yesterday and Today", will be shown in the blocks next week. The following is the schedule:

- NOVEMBER 22
 6:45 Blocks 1*, 8, 9
 8:15 Blocks 3, 4, 10, 11*
- NOVEMBER 23
 6:45 Blks. 5, 6*, 7, 12, 13
 8:15 Blocks 19, 20, 26, 27*, 28
- NOVEMBER 27
 6:45 Blks. 34*, 35, 41, 42
 8:15 Blks. 33, 31, 38, 39*
- NOVEMBER 28
 6:45 Blks. 39, 30*, 36, 37
 8:15 Blocks 16, 22, 23*
- * denotes the dining hall in which the movies will be shown.

MINSTREL SHOW

"LAND 'O' COTTON" TO BE PRESENTED

"Land 'O' Cotton", a minstrel show, will be presented here by the Delta Lion's Club on Tuesday night from 8 o'clock in the auditorium. The show is being sponsored by the high school yearbook staff.

The cast of the show is comprised of Deltans.

Tickets will be 15 cents for all residents and 30 cents for appointed staff members. Refreshments will be sold.

Miss Rose Reynolds of the Boston WRA office arrived here Wednesday from Heart Mountain. She will be available for interviews until December 1.

Persons who wish to obtain information about conditions in the New England States and those who have relatives relocated in this area may contact Miss Reynolds.

There have been no cases of race prejudice in New England and people of this region have been more liberal in their acceptance of relocators than those of other minority groups, Miss Reynolds said.

Persons relocating to Boston will find no housing shortage, she stated. Although there is no hostel at present, plans are being made for opening one in this area about the beginning of next year.

Boston has been the destination of many successful relocators from Topaz, Miss Reynolds stated.

YUI AND MIZOBE ATTEND CONFAB

Sumiko Yui and Toyoko Mizobe left the center Thursday to attend the Rocky Mountain Region Student Christian Movement at the University of Denver. The two-day conference met yesterday and today. Miss Yui represented the Fellowship Circle while Miss Mizobe was chosen to represent the Topaz YWCA.

TO GIVE AWAY: Pedigreed fox terrier with pedigree papers, 6 months old. Contact 13-6-B.

BIRTHS	
SATO--To Mr. and Mrs. Kaoru Sato, 40-5-E, November 10, 7:56 AM, a boy.	
MYORAKU--To Mr. and Mrs. Tsugio Myoraku, 4-2-E, November 15, 12:45 AM, a girl.	
DEATH	
SHIBATA--Mrs. Isano Shibata, 64, 26-2-F, November 13, 12:15 AM.	

YBA, JUNIOR YBA TO HOLD OFFICERS' INSTALLATION SUN.



Installation of officers for both the YBA and Junior Buddhists will be held tomorrow at the Buddhist Church. Junior Buddhists will be guests of the YBA at a joint social which will follow the installation ceremonies in the evening, it was reported.

YBA installations will take place from 10:45 AM with George Kawano as chairman. Rev. T. Kashima will be in charge of installations and Rev. Kyogoku will deliver the message.

New officers are Yoshio Isono, chairman; Shig Kamiya, vice-chairman; Eva Tamaki, recording secretary; Matsuye Sugiyama, corresponding secretary; Kuni Sumi, treasurer;

Keiji Kubo, religious chairman; Motoichi Yanagi, forensic chairman; Toyoko Tsugawa and Shig Nakayama, social chairmen; Machiko Kimura, music chairman; Sus Ota, public relations chairman; Toshi Yamada and Yoshiko Kaikoan, recreation chairman; Miyo Ishiyama, Sunday School superintendent.

New Junior Buddhist officers will be installed at ceremonies which will start from 7:30 PM. Yosh Isono will be chairman.

To be installed are George Nagano, president; Tak Eshima, boys' vice president; Sumi Ozawa, girls' vice-president; Martha Mori, recording secretary; Sallie Tsugawa, corresponding secretary; Sumi Haramaki, treasurer;

Ryuji Hanamoto, boys' recreation; Rose Nakamura, girls' recreation; Jack Tsuboi, Grace Matsumoto, and Aki Sato, publications.

THANKSGIVING PROTESTANTS TO HOLD WED. SERVICE

A special Thanksgiving joint church service for both the Issei and Nisei congregation will be held Wednesday night at the Protestant Church from 7:30. All residents and appointed staff members are urged to attend.

"Thanksgiving for Harvest, Land and Liberty" will be the theme of the service.

Rev. Shimada will be speaker and chairman in Japanese while Rev. Nugent will be speaker and chairman in English.

Dick Nugent will play a trombone solo.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL TO HAVE OPEN HOUSE

The elementary school will hold open house for parents on Wednesday afternoon, November 22. Miss Florence Thorpe, disclosed today. Classroom visiting will be from 1:30 to 3 PM. Tea will be served to the parents later.

There will be no school for grammar school children on Thursday and Friday, Miss Thorpe also announced.

NO CATHOLIC MASS

Catholic mass will not be served tomorrow since Father Stoecke is away from the center on a business trip to San Francisco.

In protest over the method of timekeeping and the daily progress report which was sent to Washington, the entire crew of workers on the gymnasium construction voluntarily quit work last Thursday. Minidoka Irrigator

With the aid of favorable weather conditions, a bumper crop of 2,551,659 pounds of vegetables was harvested during October. 1,406,565 pounds of the crops harvested were potatoes.

Newell Star

The 1945 edition of the Canal High School yearbook, "Rivulet", is being sold for \$1.50 beginning this week, announced the editor, Holly Masuda.

"Enter to Learn, Go Forth to Serve" the school motto, has been adopted as the theme for the publication

Gila News Courier

The center casualty list from the recent drive of the 442nd in France mounted to 8 killed, 35 wounded, and 2 missing.

Fifty-eight boys left last Thursday for Ft. Douglas to report for active duty in the army.

Poston Chronicle

Statistics taken recently by the center Buddhists revealed that there are 188 residents over 70 years of age.

188 average 73 years and two months, 94 of them are in the 70 to 72 age group.

Rowher Outpost

Contributions to the Heart Mountain Scholarship Fund this week surpassed the \$1000 mark. Applications from winter graduates of Heart Mountain high school will be considered immediately, the scholarship committee announced.

Ht. Mt. Sentinel

SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICES			
SERVICE	SPEAKER	PLACE	TIME
BUDDHIST			
Sunday School	Rev. Okayama	Church	9:30 AM
Junior Bussei	Rev. Kashima	Church	7:00 PM
YP Service	Rev. Kashima	Church	10:45 AM
	Rev. Kyogoku		
PROTESTANT			
Holy Communion		Church	8:30 AM
Sunday School		Recs 5; 23, 27, DH 32	9:00 AM
YP Worship	Rev. Shimada	DH 32	10:30 AM
Fellowship Circle		2-3-D	7:30 PM

