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## THREE NISEI WOUNDED SAT. IN WELLS, NEVADA

A. S. Ballif, WRA official in Salt Lake City, today confirmed a Twin Falls, Ida., news report that three nisei were wounded Saturday evening in Wells, Nev., and said hospital attaches believe the men will recover.

Ballif quoted Sheriff C. Smith of Elko as saying that the nisei had identified James R. Monroe, 41, Minidoka, railroad brakeman, as the man who shot them without warning in the Wells hotel cafe when they declined to cash his check because the manager, Carlo Nakamura, was not in. Monroe is being held on an open charge.

The sheriff identified the wounded men as Harry Gomi, Kyotora Fujinami and Kenneth Kikimoto, 25. He said there was no community feeling against the Japanese Americans, who had operated the restaurant for seven months.

## ATTEMPTED VIOLENCE ON AUBURN NISEI REPORTED

The first "incident" involving persons of Japanese descent who have returned to the West Coast occurred at Auburn, Calif., last week.

The facts concerning

## ORCHESTRA TO PLAY AT BALL

The Fort Douglas 5-piece orchestra will furnish the music for the community-wide President's Ball to be held January 30 in the auditorium. Dancing will commence at 9 o'clock. Tickets are 50 cents.

Mrs. Clark Bliss, chairman of the West Millard County President's Ball Committee, was here yesterday and took tickets for the Topaz ball to be sold to residents of nearby towns. Tickets to Delta's President's Ball which will be held this Saturday may be purchased from Mr. Davis of the procurement section in ad building A.

the California incident, as reported by the WRA San Francisco office, are:

Sumio Doi, 26-year-old nisei holding an agricultural draft deferment, returned to his farm from the Granada relocation center at Lamar, Colo., on Jan. 5, accompanied by his father and mother. Their return was without incident until the night of Jan. 17 when Doi heard a noise in an outbuilding. Doi and his father investigated and found someone had started a small fire. They extinguished the blaze and reported it to the sheriff's office.

The following night buckshot was fired toward the house from a shotgun in the hands of an unknown person. The sheriff was summoned. His investigation showed several sticks of dynamite planted in a packing shed. Governor Warren and State Attorney General Kenny immediately requested full protection for the family and followed up with a conference with the Placer county superior court judge, sheriff and district attorney who assured protection.

WRA officials also report that Doi's immediate neighbors are friendly and Auburn merchants co-operative.

A news report from Newcastle, Calif., said state highway patrolmen set up a three-way roadblock around the Doi ranch and quoted Sheriff Charles Silva as declaring armed patrols would maintain vigilance over Japanese-owned property in the area. The district attorney's office said anyone discovered molesting property of Japanese Americans would be "vigorously prosecuted". State Atty. Gen. Kenny warned grimly that "there is no open season on Japanese in California".

## CENTER VISITS TO BE CONSIDERED IN TERMS OF VALUE TO RELOCATION

Any visit to the center, other than those for emergency purposes, is to be considered in terms of its value to relocation, it was disclosed in a WRA bulletin which clarified the new center visiting policy. The new policy affects all persons of Japanese ancestry regardless of whether they are former center residents, voluntary evacuees or others.

All efforts at the centers are to be pointed toward relocation, and other activities such as visits for purely social reasons must be sharply curtailed.

The bulletin further explained that since most of the centers are in isolated areas and transportation facilities, even from the immediately adjoining territory are limited,

they therefore must be conserved for the vastly increased flow of resettling center residents. There must be no resettling evacuee left behind while transportation facilities are occupied by casual visitors, according to WRA.

Although the policy on visits has been broadened to include soldiers on furlough and those awaiting assignment to active duty, men who have been discharged from the Army on medical grounds or for other reasons are in the same status as relocatees in regard to center visits. The same principle also applies to aliens who have been paroled from internment camps.

Visitors who can contribute to the relocation of  
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# NISEI MAY HAVE CAMERAS, SHORT WAVE RADIO SETS

The proclamation rescinding the mass exclusion orders also revoked Public Proclamation No. 3 which made certain articles, including cameras and short-wave radio sets, contraband in the possession of any persons of Japanese ancestry in the Western Defense Command.

All aliens of enemy nationality are still prohibited from having such articles in their possession under Presidential Proclamation No. 2525 and regulations of the Justice Department on contraband.

The WRA will upon request aid citizen evacuees in the centers in recovering possession of cameras. Those who apply for the return of cameras should be informed that cameras are still contraband in the possession of Japanese aliens and that it is unlawful for them to make cameras available to aliens.

Short wave radio sets will continue to be banned in the centers as a matter of WRA regulation. However, the WRA will help to ship and otherwise assist residents in recovering short-wave radio sets on certification by the project director at the center that the short-wave mechanism will be removed.

## JOBS FOR ISSEI IN N.Y.C. LISTED

"Business Opportunities for Issei in New York City" is the title of a new bulletin received here. It is based on a survey of opinions of 30 New York City Japanese Americans on the various types of opportunities available to relocating issei.

The most suitable types of businesses for issei, means of getting established, and post war prospects for businesses are among the things discussed.

Copies of this bulletin are being distributed to block managers, section heads, etc.

## Student Offered Employment

A professor and his sister in Berkeley would like to employ a student to do cleaning, shopping, cooking and run errands for the sister who has a broken hip.

No exact salary was mentioned but the professor said that it would be much more than the student rate.

If interested contact the Berkeley Inter-racial Committee, 2634 Le Conte, Berkeley 4, California.

## RELOCATORS TO HAWAII ELIGIBLE FOR GRANTS

Evacuees who wish to relocate to Hawaii are eligible for travel grants covering the ocean trip, it was learned today from a WRA announcement.

A relocater may receive a grant to a West Coast point, work there until boat transportation is available, and then apply for another grant to cover the expenses of the remaining trip, it was added.

A person following such plans should notify the center or field office that he is eligible for further grants covering the boat trip when he receives travel aid to the point of embarkation. When the boat transportation becomes available, the evacuee may write to the office which issued the travel request for the additional grant.

## MOTHERS OF NISEI SOLDIERS THANKED

Mrs. Arizona Nickel of 1521 8th Ave, San Francisco 22, California, wishes to thank mothers of nisei enlisted men for giving their sons to the army.

"Thank you, Japanese mothers of Topaz, for giving your American boys to the army. They fight for us so that we may live, and I appreciate it. Tell the soldiers if they are in San Francisco to come to my home, call me by phone, (tel. 0456) or both. They can consider my home theirs, too.

Her daughter Marion added she thought now that the ban was lifted, that everyone should "come home to California where they belong."

## Soldiers On Leave

Pvt. Howard Minamoto, Ft. Snelling, Minnesota  
Pvt. Toshio Kawano, Camp Fannin, Texas

## More About Center Visits

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friends and potential business associates in the centers, even though they are not immediate family members will also be permitted.

This does not preclude evacuees from districts immediately adjacent to the center from visiting the residents if their visits are for the purpose of relocation. Persons living near the center may make application to visit on the same basis as those living further away by filling out Form WRA-388. These forms may be obtained by the evacuee at the center or by writing di-

rectly to the nearest field officer.

If nearby visitors make application to visit the center for relocation purposes on numerous succeeding week ends, the application will be closely scrutinized at the center and the applicant will be refused admission unless the interview shows he has some definite plans and that progress is being made on those plans;

Evacuees are free to leave the centers on short-term passes to visit their friends in nearby communities in order to get a better idea of conditions outside.

EXTRAVAGANZA--The block 24 Extravaganza which was to be held tonight has been postponed until Saturday evening.

## UNIT TO HELP PERSONS WHO ARE HANDICAPPED

The welfare section has established a unit to help those persons who are dependant or handicapped in response to an increasing number of inquiries from such individuals as to the types of assistance they may expect after relocating. This group includes: blind, deaf, crippled, physically handicapped, chronically ill, mentally ill, aged, and attached children.

Such persons or members of their families should go to the family counseling unit of the welfare section as soon as possible, so that sufficient time may be allowed to work out suitable plans and make the necessary arrangements for resettlement assistance.

Appointments for interviews either at the home or at the welfare office may be made at the family counseling unit office, 2-10-E between 8:30 AM and 12:30 PM and 1:30 PM and 5:30 PM.

## PFC. "TIGER" MATSUMOTO, WOUNDED IN BATTLE OF LEGHORN, IS VISITOR

Pfc. Frank "Tiger" Matsumoto, a volunteer from Topaz who was wounded in the Battle of Leghorn in Italy while fighting with the 442nd Infantry, is visiting the center. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben T. Matsumoto who recently relocated to Chicago, Illinois.

During a drive in the

## SIXTEEN LEAVE FOR CRYSTAL CITY

Sixteen persons left Monday to join their relatives in Crystal City, Texas, family internment camp.

They are Ryuzaburo, Kane, Kiyo, Yone, and Shigeru Ito of 7-10-E; Seitaro and Fuki Nishi, and Masao Akagiki of 3-5-B; Taichi, Yoshie, Yoshihisa, and Akemi Tsuyuki of 3-4-B; and Yuku, Hatsuyo, Isamu, and Michiye Kuwahara of 16-1-D.

## AG SECTION SUMMARIZES 1944 FOOD CROP YIELD

### CLINIC PICK-UP HOURS REVEALED

Effective tomorrow, patients going to the hospital to attend regularly scheduled clinics will be picked up at the rear of their respective mess halls approximately one half hour before the clinic scheduled time. This move is made to save gas in the interest of the war effort, Chief Medical Officer D. R. Collier said.

Pick-ups will be made in the blocks as follows: Well Baby, Thurs.....9 AM  
Post partum, Thurs.....9 AM  
Immunization, Wed.....2 PM  
Prenatal, Fri.....8:30 AM  
General, Mon., Wed., and Sat.....8:30 AM

### COUPLE WANTED

A couple is wanted as butler and housekeeper for a 12-room apartment for a family of five in Washington, DC. The pay will be \$200 a month plus full maintenance. Room and private bath will be provided.

The food crop yield of 1944 summarized by the agriculture section showed that a total production from 231 acres of 22 varieties of vegetables amounted to 754,072 pounds, having a credit value of \$21,987.89. The report also indicated that 320 acres were actually planted but 32 acres were abandoned due to freezes.

The acreage of vegetables planted in comparison with those of 1943 showed 30 per cent less acreage for 1944, but 93,437 pounds more vegetables were turned over to the commissary in 1944.

The best yield results of the year were from the green crops and these were beets, 72,050 pounds; chard, 81,092 pounds; dailkon, 99,535 pounds; lettuce, 7,188 pounds; and mustard, 77,779 pounds. Cucumbers, eggplants, melons, peppers, and turnips were entirely destroyed by the frost.

The employment situation in the farm section averaged 37 per cent less than 1943. The average monthly employment in 1943 was 313 as compared with 196 for 1944. Much of the credit for the supervision of the productions go to T. Hase, H. Nagata, T. Yamanaka, S. Nogami, and H. Yamada, said W. Palmer, farm chief.

### FINANCIAL AID TO RELOCATORS ASSURED

Financial assistance is assured to any needy relocater, citizen or alien, under the special Resettlement Assistance Program administered by the Social Security Board.

This program is being carried on with funds appropriated by Congress specifically for assistance to persons "affected by restrictive governmental action" and takes care of aliens who, in some states, are ineligible for some types of aid such as old age assistance usually available under Federal Security Agency programs.

## CUBS NOSE OUT TOPAZ YBA, 28-26 AT SALT LAKE

Fouls that were not called proved to be the winning margin for the Cubs when they nosed out the Topaz Busseis, 28-26, in a rough and tumble battle Friday evening in the Westminster gym.

From the opening play to the waning seconds, the Cubs pushed and elbowed their way while the sixth man, the referee, paid no heed to the foul playing.

With the score tied at 26-all in the final quarter and one minute remaining in the contest, the Cubs tanked a bucket to squeeze across their win.

Slug Ota turned in an outstanding performance with his great defensive playing.

Topaz players were as follows: Ossie Tamaki-8; George Yonekura-6; Hiro Higashi-5; Slug Ota-4; Ike Nakamura-2; Wat Watanabe-1; Min Ota; Ben Takahashi; Larry Fukuhara; and Junji Doami.

### 3 BUSSEI PLAYERS REPORT FOR ACTIVE

Three of the YBA players received their calls to active duty on the same day they left for Salt Lake City. They were Hiro Higashi, Wat Watanabe and Min Ota.

## YONEKURA, TAMAKI LEAD LOCAL YBA SCORING ATTACK TO DUMP TROJANS

With lanky George Yonekura and diminutive Ossie Tamaki leading the scoring attack, the Topaz YBA hung up its second win in the final night of the three-day series by trampling the Trojans in a 48-34 cagefest Saturday. The local team had power to spare and rang up a 23-9 lead at the halftime intermission while the losers were held down to a low score.

The Trojans took a 3-0 lead in the opening minutes of the initial quarter but Topaz looped in a steady stream of buckets to lead, 12-3, at the first quarter mark. From then on they were never threatened.

Topaz scoring was as follows: George Yonekura-15; Ossie Tamaki-12; Hiro Higashi-8; Slug Ota-6; Ben Takahashi-3; Min Ota-2; Junji Doami-2; Ike Nakamura and Wat Watanabe.

## BLOCK BASKETBALL LEAGUE

The basketball league which was discontinued last week will get underway soon with Yosh Isono at the helm, it was announced today. The commissioner and his committee will have the right to approve and disapprove all teams entered in the league. Each team must submit the name of its referee to the CAS office at rec 3 by Saturday, it was emphasized. This will eliminate the confusion of a last-minute rush before each game. The entry fee for the league will be 10 cents for each player named on the rosters.



## TOPAZ YBA CAGERS DOWN S.L. BUSSEI, 47-39, THURSDAY

The powerful Topaz YBA casabans tied the count at 9-9 at the end of the first quarter and pulled into the lead in the following cantos to dump the Salt Lake Bussei quint, 47-39, in their opening game at the Westminster gym in Salt Lake City Thursday evening. Hiro Higashi, sharpshooting star for the former San Kwo Low Bears last year, turned in the outstanding performance for the local team with 14 markers to his record.

### TEAM ORGANIZED IN MILWAUKEE

Two former Topaz girls, Alice Nitta and Shizuko Yokomizo, have signed up to play with a team called the 442nds which is composed of nisei girls in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. They are playing in the Major AA loop of the Women's Municipal Athletic Association.

Topaz took a 4-1 lead in the early part of the initial period with Higashi tanking 2 buckets. However, the Salt Lakers forged ahead with 3 successive deuces and it wasn't until the end of the quarter that the locals tied the count.

The second frame found the victors setting up a barrage of buckets to take a 23-12 advantage at the intermission. The losers staged an unsuccessful rally in the final canto.

Scoring for Topaz were: Hiro Higashi-14; Ben Takahashi-10; George Yonekura-7; Ossie Tamaki-7; Junji Doami-5; Slug Ota-2; Wat Watanabe-2; Larry Fukuhara; Ike Nakamura; and Min Ota.

## Rams Trounce Hinckley Casabans In Listless Contest Fri., 54-36

The Topaz Rams went on a scoring rampage from the opening minutes of play and continued on in the following quarter to swamp the helpless Hinckley cagers, 54-36, in a listless affair here Friday.

Hinckley was unable to stop the potent shooting of the Rams and were snowed under a 21-7 score in the first quarter.

The game became a rough and tumble contest in the final half with both teams staging a heated battle.

Hid Kashima-16; Mo Minamoto-12 and Allen Nakata-11 took high scoring honors for the Rams. Others who scored were: Butch Nagasawa-4; Tats Sanjo-3; Roy Iwata-3; Jiro Nakamura-2; Ike Hirota-1; and Wacky Sumimoto-1.



### 桑港灣附近各市の 白人社会は日系人に對し 好感を持つとハフマン氏語る

過般桑港市に於てないと信ずるもので開かれたる重要なある。加州知事を始め協議会に出席し、同時桑港市長及び四州府に同地方一帯の状況市長等もW.R.A.局長を視察したる後此間テイソンマイヤー氏其他歸所したる所長ハフマン氏は大要左の如く語る。

桑港灣附近一帯に於ける白人社会の撤去し、且つ今後撤退日系人の権利が十分認められ、感情は非常に良好めらるる様、全幅的であるが、住宅難は頗る甚しく、ホテルの室を束された。又其外のア求めることも餘程困難である。然し他が多様な開かれたる三州人けらるるの人の意見も同様に、帰還日系人も元種関係協議会の真意を好く其の社会に於て、右同様の保護を要する仕事に貢献すを與へられたり、あつたまに、尚ほ局長マイヤー氏は同協議会に於て、一に、演説を試み、加

州へ歸還する日系人に對し何等の暴行なとか加へらるる様なことは豫期しない、と語り、尚撤退日系人の西部帰還に反對を唱へる人々を次の如き四種に分類することか出来る。

一、日本人排斥運動を爲すことに依つて政治的地位を贏ち得るものとして考へて、永年同運動を継続して来た政治家連中。

二、其の心は善行に志しなかり煽動的宣傳や誤報に誤導され、而かも感情に走り過つて日本人憎悪術を家庭に於て亦共同社会生活に於て安全を感せんことを望む諸君の再住を願済且つ愉快ならしむべく、市政府の爲し能ふ有る事か爲されつある。我らは諸君が勝利への協同努力に參加せんことを要望する。

三、我らは諸君及び此所に再住せる他の凡の日系市民がその家庭に於て亦共同社会生活に於て安全を感せんことを望む諸君の再住を願済且つ愉快ならしむべく、市政府の爲し能ふ有る事か爲されつある。我らは諸君が勝利への協同努力に參加せんことを要望する。

四、撤退日系人の窮状に突き込んで彼等の

不動産を買受け或は取扱つて甘い汁を吸ひ自ら恥じて、今更日系人等と顔を含はすことを好まぬ連中。

戦勝は我らの心に首位を占めてゐる。羅府は重要軍需生産の中心地である。我々の市民は祖先の如何を問はず大なる共通努力に協力する米國人である。我が民主主義は人種又は信條の區別を認めない。

羅府二五報道一國旗と州旗に飾られた羅府市廳の公衆應接室に、ホロン市長は南に歸還した日系米人を迎へて、公式に挨拶を述べた。

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先週金曜夜大講堂に、擧げられたる一九四五年一月度卒業式に於て名譽のデプロマを授けられたる學生四十三名の氏名左の如し(符は名譽學生)。

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ヒラ	三六・一九
コアラ	三五・一五
エルシー	三三・三九
ケイコ	三二・五六
トモ	三二・三三
オミ	三〇・八七
キンゴ	三〇・五九

本期高校卒業生 四十三名

1. HOFFMAN REPORTS ON COAST SENTIMENT  
2. LIA. MAYOR WELCOMES EVACUEES  
3. 43 GRADUATE  
4. 36. 1970. RELOCATE



