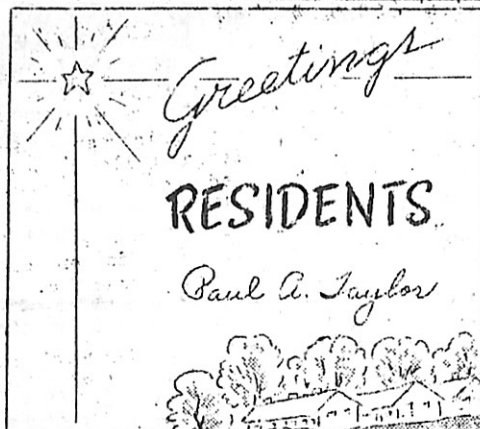


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A CAPPELLA CHOIR SERENADES TONIGHT

Starting at 6:30 o'clock tonight, the Center a cappella choir will make the rounds of the Center singing Christmas carols.

Under the direction of Pauline Austin, Center music teacher, the choiral group will appear at scheduled dining halls, the only change being use of Dining Hall 43 for Blocks 31, 42 and 43 residents.

With Dudley Yatabe, Dorothy Takii and George and Sam Sono as soloists, the a cappella group made their first appearance in the administration recreation hall Tuesday night.



Workers Get Vacation

All evacuee employees who can be spared from their jobs will get three and a half days off for Christmas, Project Director Paul A. Taylor announced.

The vacation will begin this noon and end Monday morning. The Caucasian personnel will be on duty Thursday and Saturday.

"I am sure that residents of the Center fully appreciate that there are certain activities such as hospital, mess, fire department and Internal Security work which must go on," Taylor said.

"It may be necessary for other departments to stagger their crew or call on them for essential work. If this is necessary, I am sure they will receive the cooperation of those working for them," he added.

The Project director said this leave from work was given in hope the employees could fully enjoy the holiday festivities.

"We hope they will come back fully refreshed to carry on in the new year," he concluded.

COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH PLANS CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS

Two Christmas day programs will be presented tomorrow by the Community Christian church in Dining Hall 33.

The afternoon program,

Shinpechi Kanow.

"A Sign Unto You," a play by the young people, will be presented on the evening program beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

The Church choir under the direction of Mary Kasai and with Grace Inamoto as accompanist will make its first appearances on both programs.

On Christmas morning at 9 o'clock, Episcopal communion service will be conducted in Dining Hall 33 with the Rev. John M. Yamazaki officiating.

P.O. TO BE CLOSED ON CHRISTMAS DAY

The Denson Post Office will be closed all day tomorrow, Saturday afternoon and Sunday. It will be open this weekend only on Saturday morning, Fred R. Paris, superintendent, said.

U.S. War bonds are now on sale at the Post Office and Postal savings will be ready for purchase next week.

Four Grid Games Feature Weekend

Four football games have been scheduled for this weekend to be played on the Block 21 athletic field.

First of the tilts will pit the Engineer Midgets against the Terriers tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock in what is expected to be a fast game.

Fowler will tackle the Buccaneers at 2 p.m. Saturday in an evenly-matched tilt.

Sunday morning at 9 o'clock, Fowler will take the field again to play the Engineer Midgets.

Moe's Hares and Harbor City will tangle at 2 p.m. Sunday.

(MORE FOOTBALL ON PAGE 2)

CLINIC OBSERVES 4-DAY VACATION

The general clinic at the Center hospital will be closed from today to Sunday, inclusive. The regular clinic schedule will be resumed Monday.

The clinic, however, will be open for any and all emergency cases and necessary follow-up cases during the holidays, Dr. Donnell W. Boardman said.

CHRISTMAS EVE DANCE BEGINS AT 9 O'CLOCK

The Christmas eve dance, sponsored by the recreation department, will start at 9 o'clock with Frank Tashima's Densoneers furnishing the music. Edwin Funahashi is master of ceremonies.

Dry-Goods Store Sales High

Wayne Foster, acting superintendent of the Community Enterprises division, made the following announcements yesterday:

▲ The Monday opening-day sales of merchandise at the new dry-goods store in Hall 35 far exceeded all sales expectations. The store is stocked with more than \$20,000 worth of goods.

▲ Carpenters are now completing the installation of shelves for the shoe shop in Hall 40. The shop will open as soon as the necessary electrical wiring supplies arrive here.

▲ Charles Belitt, chief purchasing agent for the Community Enterprises of

Ingenuity Used in Decorations

Ingenuity has been used in decorating Center dining halls for the holiday season and some of the more unusual are described here.

BLOCK 7

The "most unique" Christmas tree is in Block 7.

Suspended from the tree branches are jelly top rims stuffed with round balls of red cellophane, dried peaches and prunes strung together, dried apples rolled in flour, popcorn strings and wax bells.

Also on the tree are turnips, oranges, grapefruits, apples, carrots, onions, squash, raisins in bottles, lights and cotton.

BLOCK 3

Palmetto leaves adorn

the dining hall pillars. On the front inside wall is a 14 feet by 3 feet "Merry Christmas" sign.

Large bells are suspended from the ceiling at regular intervals.

BLOCK 46

Chains made of comic strips are strung from wall to wall.

BLOCK 45

A large hornets' nest decorates the front of the dining hall.

BLOCK 14

Between the front entrances, a "Merry Christmas" sign with a mistletoe beneath it greets diners.

Artificial flowers mounted on log bases are on each table.

FOUR ARRIVE HERE TO SPEND HOLIDAYS

Arriving in the Center yesterday to spend the holiday season with their par-

all WRA centers, arrived here yesterday morning. He will assist in setting up the dry goods store.

ents and friends were Ted Ono, Richard Memmi and Sumio Kubo, students at St. Louis university, Mo., and George Matsuyama, assistant professor of chemistry at the University of Minnesota.

More on: WEEKEND FOOTBALL MENU

Starting time for the games slated for the Block 21 athletic field tomorrow, Saturday and Sunday afternoon is 2 p.m. while the Sunday morning tilt will begin at 9 o'clock.

In the Sunday morning game, both the Engineer Midgets and Fowler are expected to use the same starting lineups that they play in the preceding games.

In the grid contest which should determine the Center's leading team, Moe's Hares will clash with the Harbor City eleven Sunday afternoon.

Led by Shag Okada and Sus Ishikawa, the Harborites will be gunning for their second consecutive victory, having nipped the Engineers, 6-0, last Sunday.

Using a T system, Coach Moe, Domoto's Hares will have Buddy Kasai heading the offense.

MOE'S HARES

Frank Omatsu	LE
George Kariya	LT
Toku Fujita	LG
Jim Kai	C
Herb Murayama	RG
"Indian" Hayashi	RT
Mas Nishibayashi	RE
Taro Buddy Kasai	QB
George Tak Abo	LH
Yuji Nakamura	RH
George Omatsu	FB

HARBOR CITY

Sumio Yokota
Mas Nishikawa
Minoru Shintaku
George Hamada
Tosh Mori
Manabu Okada
Ricky Ishikawa
Shag Okada
Sus Ishikawa
Ross Iwanaga
Akeji Shimatsu

A speedy Fowler eleven will collide with the Block 30 Buccaneers in Saturday afternoon's football game on the Block

TOMORROW--ENGINEER MIDGETS VS. TERRIERS
SATURDAY--FOWLER VS. BUCCANEERS
SUNDAY MORNING--MIDGETS VS. FOWLER
SUNDAY AFTERNOON--HARES VS. HARBOR CITY

21 gridiron.

Fowler will center its attack around Roy Kato and Sam Shimasaki, both rugged driving and running backs, while the Buccaneers place high hopes on plunging Sat Kusakai and tricky Kaz Jofuku.

The two teams are evenly matched although the Bucs outweigh their opponents.

FOWLER

Mas Sakoda
Frank Tsuchiya
Jim Sasaki
Jack Tanaka
Kiyo Porikane
Akira Tanouye
Jim Renge
Ken Morikane
Roy Kato
Sam Shimasaki
Ray Kato

BUCCANEERS

Shig Sanbongi
Ben Honda
Bob Takatsuka
Seico Hinishiro
Shig Jofuku
Akira Takemoto
Hobu Yamaoka
Kaz Jofuku
Bob Kawahara
Tsugio Jofuku
Sat Kusakai

Two untested teams will meet when the Engineer Midgets bump against the Terriers tomorrow afternoon.

ENGINEER MIDGETS

Joe Sakamoto
Chauncey Yamana
Nahe Ono
Sam Ozaki
Eso Iasuda
Koji Shida
Dean Ono
Carl Yasunaga
Ted Yasunaga
Shinto Sakamoto
General Okamoto

TERRIERS

Yas Mayeda
Harry Masai
Ray Mitsuyoshi
John Mayeda
Yoshito Matsubara
John Masai
Tosh Fukano
Nobu Wada
Jim Jiwano
Joe Miyamoto
Tom Sekiguchi

Stranger's Gift Shows Goodwill



"In the name of the One whose birthday we will celebrate tomorrow"...this must have been the sincere thought behind a stranger's donation of \$10 to the people of this Center.

This \$10 came about in an interesting manner. Ida Moody, a Fresno high school teacher while on a recent train trip, related to a fellow passenger the courage and fine spirit of the California evacuees.

The stranger, who preferred to remain anonymous, was so moved that he gave Miss Moody the money and asked her to use it in the best possible way to help the evacuees.

Johnson Kebo, a former student of Miss Moody and now temporary Community Council chairman, was the recipient of the donation. After some deliberation, it was decided to buy toys for children in the Center hospital so that the kind stranger's generous gesture might be fully realized.

Tomorrow is Christmas...let us thank God for an incident which proves that even in this troubled world, a deep close-knit friendship still persists among all people.

Buddhist Religious Activities

The last regular Buddhist Sunday School services of the year have been arranged for Sunday at Dining Halls 29 and 28 at 9 and 10 a.m., respectively, with the Revs. Gyodo Kono and Shizuo Kai in charge.

George Kuratomi will be speaker at the first group while Ayako Noguichi will be chairman. Gladys Nakao will be chairman at the second service.

Grace Nishi will lead the regular children's class at 9 a.m. in Dining Hall 28.

A memorial service is

PREPARATION FOR PLANTING BEGINS

Construction of hot beds and cold frames will begin sometime next week, according to W. H. Ballard, agriculture chief.

Some of the seeds to be planted include tomato, celery, cabbage, pepper, sweet potato and onion.

During the first part of next month, the agriculture division will begin plowing for spring planting, said Ballard.

GOTOS HAVE 1st SON

Masaichi Richard Goto, first child of Mr. and Mrs. Masayoshi Goto, 2-3-D, was born on Dec. 22 at the Center hospital.

Dr. Tom Abe attended the birth of the baby boy who weighed 5 pounds, 11 ounces.

Classrooms Get Enough Chairs

Both elementary and secondary schools have sufficient classroom chairs as all of the previously requisitioned chairs are now distributed to each classroom, School Superintendent A. G. Thompson announced.

Received at the same time were 166 reception room chairs and numerous desks and desk chairs. These will be used later in the permanent school building, he added.

Two Women Leave Here for Outside

Mrs. Helen Yamamura, 45-10-F, left yesterday for Waynesville, Mo., for a month's visit with her husband, Corp. Yoshio Yamamura, stationed at Fort Leonard Wood.

A permit to work for an indefinite period at Marion, Ohio, has been secured by Phyllis Yokoyama, 44-11-B, who has been visiting a sick relative there for the past month.

Protestant Religious Activities

Shunji Nishibayashi, Episcopal Theological seminary student at Cambridge, will be guest speaker at the Protestant English-speaking service at 10:30 a.m. Sunday in Dining Hall 33.

Nishibayashi who is visiting his parents here for

Christmas will also speak at the young people's fellowship at 7 p.m. in the same hall.

Sunday School classes will meet at 9 a.m. at Dining Hall 33.

The Japanese-speaking service will be held at 2 p.m.

STORES' FISCAL STATEMENT

The following financial statement as of Nov. 30 was issued by James Imahara, Community Enterprise division auditor:

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Bank balance.....	\$2,908.24	Acct payable mdse.....	
Cash on hand.....	223.02		86,318.73
Office equipment.....	294.22		
Accounts receivable:			
Laundry.....	61.22		
Shoe repair shop.....	40.44		826.83
Mail order dept.....	77.88	November earning.....	3,594.54
Mdse inventory.....	6,537.89		\$10,142.91
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PROFIT AND LOSS

Purchases:		Income:	
Oct. 30 invt.....	\$ 441.48	Sales.....	\$16,752.85
By credit.....	10,965.91	Less purchase.....	13,234.52
By cash.....	8,109.02	Store earning.....	3,518.33
	19,816.41	Newspaper earning.....	188.08
Less cash discount.....	44.00		3,706.41
	19,772.41	Store expense.....	111.87
Less mdse invt.....	6,537.89	November earnings.....	
	\$13,234.52		\$3,594.54

Center Shoppers in Little Rock Enjoy City Life

"I would like to see more Center people have a chance to visit Little Rock because the spirit of the people there was really encouraging," said Seichi Mikami who headed a group of six shoppers on a two-day buying spree in Little Rock.

The cordial reception and hospitality extended the group while buying toys and gifts for Center children made the biggest impression on the shoppers.

"Please wish all the children and people of the Center a very Merry Christmas," was the prevailing sentiment expressed by the city residents.

At breakfast on the day of their return to the Center, a young stranger, who had read of the shoppers in the Arkansas Gazette, offered to help the group in his "small way."

He gave them his check "to buy some more toys for

New Power Saws Shipped Monday

Fifteen new cutoff power saws are being shipped to the Center on Monday, it was revealed by James H. Wells.

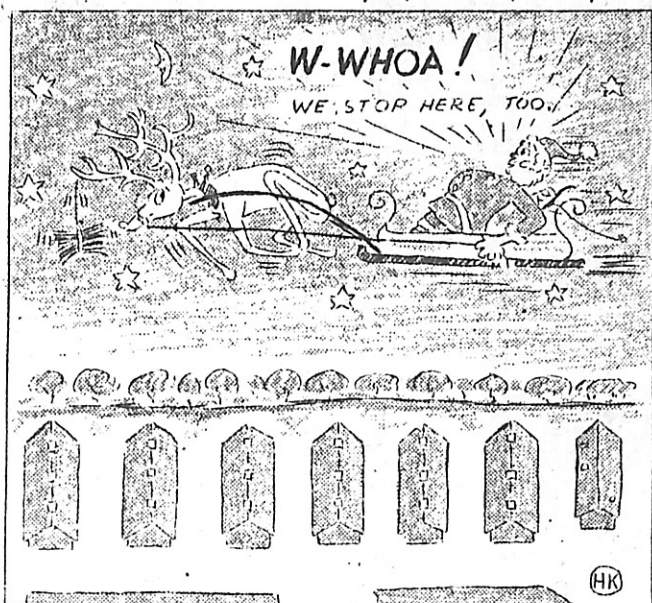
"I know that everyone will be glad to hear of this," Wells said, "since the addition of these saws will speed up wood cutting considerably."

The saws will be added to those already in use by the wood cutting crews.

ALL EMPLOYEES PAID

All Project employees have received their November pay, according to James H. Wells, administrative

Eddie Shimano, Frank Inouye and Toshi Mori moved up one step each in the 63-Chess club individual ladder tournament which began Tuesday at Dining



the kids in camp."

The group acknowledged the help of E.B. Whitaker, regional WRA director, and Beryl Henry, accompanying curriculum adviser of the schools, whose contacts in the city facilitated their shopping.

The \$1000 worth of purchases made by the buyers

were delivered here yesterday afternoon on a special truck sent by the Project director. The gifts will be ready for distribution to the various blocks today.

In the group were Mikami, Miss Henry, Amy Murayama, Kaoru Kanikawa, Hugh Kiino and Jiro Onata. --AEN

YOUNG BUDDHISTS PLAN SOCIAL

As their major social activity for the season, a gala year-end social will be held by the Young Buddhists Tuesday starting at 7:30 p.m. in Dining Hall 23.

Entertainment will be presented during the dance intermission, according to Harry Takeuchi, master of ceremonies.

Patrons and patronesses for the affair are the Rev. and Mrs. Shizuo Kai, Dr. and Mrs. Kikuo Taira, Mr. and Mrs. G.F. Castleberry, and Mrs. Ryudo Kono, Beryl

Henry, Amon G. Thompson and Byron Thompson.

Assisting Takeuchi on the preparations are Haruko Kawano, Sumio Kono, George Teraoka and Roy Kawamoto.

CAL-TEENS ELECT OFFICERS, COLORS

Tatsuko Osako was named president of Cal-Teens, Block 6 girls' club, at the first meeting Monday.

Assisting Miss Osako on the cabinet are Marion Sugiuochi, vice president; Amy Kato, secretary-treasurer; Eunice Yokota, historian-reporter, and Grace Yamaguchi, athletic manager. Mrs. Joe Oyama is adviser of the group.

Club colors are royal blue and silver.

OFFICE EQUIPMENT

Residents who wish to rent their office equipment for Center use should contact James H. Wells, administrative officer.

Portable typewriters in good condition will now be accepted, said Wells.

Chess Tournament Now On

Positions on the ladder were determined by lot.

The present ladder leaders are: 1 Hideo Endo, 2 Eddie Shimano, 3 Hiro Muranaka, 4 Fred Kato and 5 Paul Saito.

The tournament will be continued Saturday at Dining Hall 3.

Other chess fans may enter the tourney by attending the session Saturday at 7 p.m.

