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SODA WATER CONTAMINATED

SOFT DRINK SALES MAY BE STOPPED UNTIL FURTHER INVESTIGATION; LABOR, EMPLOYMENT PLANS APPROVE

Reports of contamination of soda water sold in the Canteen were partially verified Monday morning at the temporary community council meeting in the personnel mess hall when Masao Yamamoto, supervisor of Public Health and Sanitation of Poston 2, presented evidence of soda pops thusly affected. The matter is referred to the Council's Public Health committee to work with Yamamoto and was empowered to stop the sale of drinks until further investigation.

Yamamoto also appealed to the Council to take actions in installing a chlorination system immediately. He pointed out that while the drinking water is now pure and uncontaminated, such an installation will safeguard the public in case of emergencies.

Saburo Kido, general chairman of the Poston County Fair, reported on the progress of the Fair plans, stressing that the primary purpose of the Exhibition was to point out that agriculture is to be the main industry and backbone of this community.

Other brief committee reports were presented by Harry Iwashige, chairman of the housing; Kenji Uyeno, recreation halls, and Dave Iwahara food.

The matter of feeding grade-age children in Kitchen 210 was discussed at length. Council Chairman Maeno requested the food and mess hall and the labor committees to confer with the block managers, Administrator James D. Crawford and Unit 2 Stewart Burdick in an effort to arrive at a satisfactory end.

Sid Shiratsuki, chairman of the labor and employment committee,

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TOFU EQUIPMENT ARRIVES FOR POSTON III

Arrival of tofu manufacturing equipment early last week signalizes a concrete step toward production of Japanese subsistence goods in Poston III. This was accomplished despite the serious situation existing in way of shortages and priorities in regard to metal equipment of any type.

Full cooperation from the administration, maintenance, construction and supplies department is going to make this project possible. Barring unforeseen obstacles production of tofu should commence by the end of this month. We hope to produce enough tofu to supply each mess hall at least once a week. When production is in full swing the project will employ ten men.

This week should see the arrival of the mango beans, basic substance for tofu, and also the butane tank which is to supply the fuel.

Other Japanese foods for production are miso, soyashi, and noodles.

WRA TO HELP EVACUEES IN PROPERTY PROBLEMS

Adequate assistance in handling problems concerning their properties is assured residents of relocation centers with the establishment by the War Relocation Authority of the Division of Evacuee Property, it was indicated in the report received today.

Its function is to oversee the administration of agricultural, residential, and commercial property to the best interests of evacuees and the national welfare.

This does not mean, however, that the Government will do the work of private agencies whose satisfactory channels for the handling of properties already exist. The function of the Division is rather to help owners with problems which have arisen subsequent to their evacuation and which they can not solve personally or through their authorized agents.

Primarily the Evacuee Property Division will act in the capacity of advisor or negotiator. Where necessary, then, an evacuee may enlist the assistance of WRA to:

(1) Secure tenants or operators for both agricultural and commercial properties.

(2) Negotiate new leases or renewals of existing leases.

(3) Obtain buyers for real or personal property of all kinds.

(4) Effect settlement of claims for or against an evacuee.

(5) Adjust differences arising out of

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JOINT STAFF PARTY IS A SUCCESS

Poston I, II and III's Girls Activities Staff members met Saturday at Rec 327 for a combined staff social. Numerous games, singing, folk dancing, refreshments, and interesting skit by Poston I girls were enjoyed by twenty eight members. General chairman for the affair was Misao Furuta while Lillian Sogo took charge of the songs.

LABOR PLANS

(Cont'd from page 1) gave the hi-lites of all the meetings sponsored by his committee during the past week. He announced the following list of persons who were elected representatives to the Fair Practice Procedure Committee from their respective labor divisions: Dr. Harry Kita, professionals; Masao Wada, industrial and supply; T. Nakagawa, mess. Other delegates from the clerical and sales, service and managerial, and agriculture and horticultural divisions will be chosen this week.

The Council approved and accepted Shiratsuki's presentation of his committee's recommendation that all local workers who reside in the center and are employed in "outside industrial enterprises" be paid a maximum of \$19 and turn the difference to the Work Corps "evacuee trust fund" for later disbursement to all workers of the community.

Chairman J. Maeno's resolution that all committees of unit 2 centralize their work through the Council was approved.

PROPERTY PROBLEMS

(Cont'd from page 1) iniquitable, hastily made or indefinite agreements.

(6) Obtain an accounting for amounts due, and facilitate collection thereof.

(7) Ascertain whether property is being satisfactorily maintained or whether damage or waste is occurring.

(8) Check inventories of goods and equipment, and recommend utilization of material for the best interests of the evacuee and the nation.

Field offices have been set up in three locations to expediate business transactions. The Seattle office will handle cases involving property located in Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana; the San Francisco office will care for California north of Tehachapi, Nevada and Utah; and the Los Angeles office will serve California south of Tehachapi and Arizona. Supervisors experienced in property management will head each office.

Property owners needing assistance should present their problems first to the Project Legal Aid Dept. or the Proj. Atty. In many cases satisfactory settlement can be arranged through the facilities of the Legal staff.

This procedure will insure a quicker service than if the evacuee contacted the Division of Evacuee Property directly, since the staff is in a better position to assemble the necessary facts to permit the property supervisors to act without delay, the announcement concluded.

UNSIGNED BALLOTS TO BE REJECTED!

Unsigned ballots for queen candidates will not be counted, it was announced today by officials. The subscription agent must remember to sign all three parts of the receipt, including the ballot part.

220 CRASH 226 ZEROS 7-5

The 220 team deadlocked with the Zeros until the last inning overcame them with a 2 run rally. 220 jumped into a early lead scoring 4 runs in the first and one in the second, but 226 launched their hits to knot it up in the 4th scoring 5 runs.

In a pitcher's duel Taniguchi, 220 chucker, outlasted Sakamoto allowing 4 hits while Sakamoto yielded 5. Hashimoto batted 2 for 3 to lead the 220 hitters.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Poston III's volleyball season opened yesterday with two games played. On Wednesday Chikadees versus San Diego G's and Esdee versus Coeds. Starlettes will play with Volleyettes and Diverettes will play with 322 on Friday. Bomberettes and 325 will be bye for this week.

RED CAPS SUFFER

The Red Caps lost their first game when the strong Postonettes upset the League leading cappers, 10-6, Sat. Oct. 10. A four-plate performance was bagged by T. Kodama of the Red Caps. * * *

NURSERY DEPT. MAKES REPORT

Much of the work at the Nursery is now concerned with flowers, and seedlings of Shasta daisy, calendula, larkspur, stocks snapdragons, Kochia (Mexicanfire brush), and petunia fill many nursery flats. The calendula transplanted to flats a week ago and are ready for the fields. Delivery will be made on them in 2 weeks, and any left-overs will be distributed to the various Blks. There are 125 flats of calendulas with 110 plants to a flat.

Plans are being made to use a quarter acre plot adjacent to the nursery for growing flowers for hospital, funeral and wedding purposes.

NEW ORGANIZATION--5 ACES CLUB
ELECTS FOUR CABINET MEMBERS

Approximately 35 members of the newly organized 5 Aces Club under the Junior Girls' Club Dept. convened at Mess 18 to initiate their officers. Doris Kusumoto, Blk. 32, was installed as president for the coming term assisted by the following cabinet members: Itsue Ikeda, v.p.; Sumiko Tabuchi, sec'y; and Mary Kamimoto, treasurer. Advisors for the club are Chiyo Okimura, Etsue Inouye, Sue Maeda, Louise Koike and Tomoyo Kadani.

The organization was named the 5 Aces since it consists of five blks. instead of the usual four to form a quad, namely Blks. 32, 31, 17, 18 and 19.

OUTFIT FOR THE POLICEMEN

"Our Police force has been measured for a complete outfit", said Police Chief Shigekawa. "The uniform will consist of khaki suits, shoes, clubs, helmets and badges.

"With several men on the force leaving for the outside work continually, we need about 60 more men."

No definite date has been set for the arrival of the uniforms.

BRIEF BEATS.....

Ralph W. Smith, prominent attorney of Los Angeles, was a visitor in Poston last Fri., renewing acquaintance with his old friends Fred Akahoshi and Harry Yanaga, formerly of Indio, who were employees of Mrs. Maria R. Clark, a successful Indio date grower and estate owner in Los Angeles, for the last 30 and 45 years respectively.

BIRTH NOTICE

To Mr. & Mrs. Takeo Numata of Blk. 12-6-D, a son, Oct. 10, 1942.

To Mr. & Mrs. Sumi Okubo, of Block 30-5-A, a son, Oct. 11, 1942.

To Mr. & Mrs. Shigeo Kato, of Block 15-14-D, a girl, Oct. 11, 1942.

WHAT'S BUZZIN' FOR TODAY

PHILOSOPHICAL SEMINAR, Rec. 36, 8 p.m.

BRIDGE NIGHT; Rec. 6, 8 p.m.

FOLK DANCING, Rec. 22, 8:30 p.m.

OLDER GIRLS MEETING, Blk. 21-13.

8 p.m. Bridge for Beginners.

FAIR MEETING for Boys and Girls.
Rec. 11, 8 p.m.

DOROTHY ARITA BETHROTHED

Mrs. Mitori Arita has announced the engagement of her daughter, Dorothy F. Arita, to Dr. Hiroshi Shigeoka of the Medical staff at the Poston General Hospital. The news was cleverly revealed in cap sules at a party attended by friends the evening of October 11 in the hospital.

No date has been set for the wedding.

FULLERTON JR. HIGH SCHOOL

Dr. Miles E. Cary
Supt. of Schools
Poston, Arizona

Dear Sir:

As we are preparing for the opening of our high school next Monday, I can not help but think of the boys and girls who were with us last year and are even now beginning their work in Poston.

The task is a big one for all of you and I am just writing this note to extend to all of you my best wishes for this year ahead of you.

We shall miss our former students in this school but they will be in our minds and hearts you may be sure as we, too, proceed with our years program.

Again may I extend my greetings and best wishes to you all.

Most cordially,

Anita Shepardson (S)
155 Hillcrest Drive
Fullerton, California

HAWAIIAN LUAU at Wade Head Park, Sun. Oct. 18, 4 p.m. See Ruth Ogasawa, Press Office for tickets. All luau committee members meet at Blk 35, Manager's off. Sat. Oct. 17. at 2 sharp.

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SMALL POX INOCULATION TO TAKE PLACE AT THE GYMNASIUM WEDNESDAY

The Public Health and Sanitation Department announced that a child of 6 months old to an adult of sixty will be required to take inoculation for smallpox Wednesday at 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Residents are asked to get their "shots" during the hours in the afternoon and only emergency cases will be accepted in the morning.

Following suggestions have been made for those who are getting inoculated: (1) Take shower before coming; (2) After vaccination, do not take a shower for one day; (3) Keep up your sleeves for 20 minutes after vaccination; (4) Report for a check-up next Wednesday.

Those who were inoculated previous to entrance to Poston units need not report for inoculation, it was indicated.

MOTHERS TURN DOWN KITCHEN 210 PROPOSAL TO FEED CHILDREN

In a meeting held in Kitchen 210 Sunday morning, the mothers refused a proposal to feed the school children the noon meal in Mess Hall 210. The children in grades one to three will be affected.

With the mothers in the blocks in the vicinity of 210 voting against the proposal to work voluntarily during the noon meal, the mothers in the far blocks were outvoted.

BLOCK 213 HONORS CHAMPIONSHIP GIRLS SOFTBALL TEAM AT PARTY

One Hundred Young people of block 213 gathered in their mess hall Sunday evening to honor the "Terrorettes," championship girls softball team.

Mary Tsukamoto and Alice Matsushita led the evening's entertainment with games.

Members of the team introduced were: May Tsukamoto, Harumi Morimune, Esther Onoyo, Osame Hayashi, Elsie Okamoto, Doris Sakasagawa, Mary Tada, Dorothy Sakasagawa, Nancy Yoneda, Mai Tsukamoto, and Cow Wada, their coach.

The evening was concluded with informal social dancing and refreshments.

LIBRARY NEWS

The Novel Hut added four new books to its shelves when Miss Helen Kazato, who has left Poston for schooling in the East loaned the books for the duration. All four books are on music and should be of special interest to all music students.

The library announced that the new set of encyclopedias received is the Britannica instead of Compton's as previously stated.

Grace Watanabe, Toshiko Iriye, and Toshiko Nishiki are the three new library clerks taking the place of the former girls who have left.

Yoshi Kodani is back again after her recent hospitalization.

OFFICE WORKERS MEETING

A meeting of all office workers will be held today in Recreation Hall 214 at 4:10 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting will be to elect one representative to the Fair Practice Board.

BLOCK PARTY AT 209

Block 209 enjoyed an ice cream and watermelon feed Sunday evening in their mess hall, with the donations received from Mr. A. Shigenisa and Mr. Matsunaga. Tom Yagi acted as emcee over a short program of block talent.

NAME IT!!!

Swing and sway fans, get hep! Latest reports from authentic sources say that Poston II's music maestros offer a prize for the best name submitted by the end of the week for their orchestra.

So look hi and lo for a luscious name, and start your rise to fortune and fame.

SINGSPIRATION TONIGHT

A special program has been arranged for the Singspiration hour sponsored by the Church Music Committee to be held Tuesday, 8 p.m.

BASEBALL GROUNDS ON TEMPORARY BASIS

Meeting was held at Mr. Burge's office to clarify matters pertaining to the baseball grounds which would be used for planting by the Agricultural department.

According to Mr. Burge, all grounds now being used for baseball, golf, or other activities are strictly on a temporary basis and should be remembered to that effect. This matter was previously informed to the various Community Activities Councils, and they in turn should have informed the persons concerned so that misunderstanding would not occur.

Designation of fields for planting is under the Army authorities and grounds will be selected according to the conveniences of water facilities.

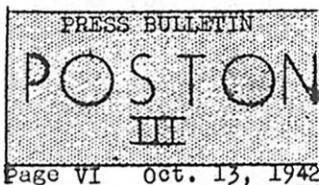
Mr. Matsumoto of the Agricultural dept. stated that his department will cooperate and help clear the ground for new baseball fields when it is necessary to do so.

JUNIOR GIRLS CLUB MEETING

Mary Nakagawa was elected as president of Junior Club from Sec. 2. Mary Oda and Michiye Nakagawa were chosen as vice-president and secretary treasurer, respectively. Song practices were held for the Halloween party.

GIRL'S MEETING SCHEDULED

Senior girls out of high school will meet Thursday night at Mess Hall 318 at 7:30 p.m. Election of officers and important business will be discussed at the meeting. All girls who are interested are welcome to attend.



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INDUSTRY EMPLOYS PART-TIME WORKERS

As part of the cooperative policy of Industries, this department is employing eight high school students in part-time work on drawing posters for the County-Fair. This type of employment is being used in cooperation with the education department of Poston III. More high school students will be employed in part-time work as the various projects of Industries and Manufacturing open up for production.

TRAINING COURSE REQUIRED

All persons wishing to teach adult English are instructed to see the Adult Ed. Dept. immediately regarding the English Teachers' Training Course. The course, given on Mon., Wed., and Fri., in Poston II, is a pre-requisite for all teachers. Knowledge of the Japanese language is not required.

OFFICERS INSTALLED BY MORGANS

The Morgans, a newly organized club, had their first weiner bake last Thursday, at which time prospective members were invited and plans for the future were made. Active in athletics, the boys plan to have outings to the river, joint socials, and monthly speakers.

Officers are: Power Sogo-Pres., Mas Asekawa V. Pres., Babo Karasawa-Ath. Mgr., and Yo Takehara-Sec. Treas.

FUNCTIONS OF EMPLOYMENT OFFICE EXPLAINED TO STUDENT

James Kubota of the Employment Dept. gave an interesting talk to the Junior Core study class Monday morning. He explained in detail the functions of the Employment Office, the procedure to go through in obtaining the particular job.

Everyone should take interest in some type of work in order to be of community asset. He stressed strongly that students should strive to get higher jobs in the same field or in any other type of jobs more suited to them and that those who do satisfactory work for three months are given the rating of the Order of Merit.

BRANCH LIBRARIES OPEN

A Professional Library for teachers and college students will open today at 324-9-B and an Elementary Library at 9-D. The High School Library is located at 10-D. There are approximately 700 books, several globes and maps. Contributions of school books and magazines will be appreciated.

MEDICAL CLINIC

Second Diphtheria shots will be given October 14 to those children who were given their first shots three weeks ago. Approximately two hundred and fifty children are reported to have taken the shots.

A check up of persons failing to take typhoid shots will be made by the Medical Clinic and all such persons will be notified after the check up.

NOTICE

"Y.B.A. Nite" will be held tonight at 306 Buddhist Church, 8 p.m.

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POSTON I BLOCKHEADS
EDGE POSTON III BLOCK
MANAGERS BY 15-16

Following dedication of Burge Field, the block managers from Poston I edged out a thrilling 15-16 victory over the Poston III blockheads Sunday morning.

After changing leads quite frequently, the Poston III blockheads were leading in the ninth inning, by the score of 15-12 but the blockheads from Unit I rallied for four runs to overtake the locals to take the contest.

317 NOSE OUT 316 IN
A THRILLING GAME 3-2

317 Nine-Pins pushed over a run in the last half of the 5th inning to nose out the 316 Trojans, 3-2.

Costly error again proved fatal for the hard luck Trojans, as the last run that came in was unearned. Nine-Pins outhit the Trojans 4 hits to 3 hits.

F. Yamane took batting honor with 2 for 2, a triple and a single.

Batteries: 316, S. Mori and H. Sera; 317 W. Uchiyama and N. Otani.

306 SHUTS OUT 318 14-0
FOR 4TH STRAIGHT IN

Blk 306 trounced 318 by a 14-0 score for their fourth straight victory in the single "A" league.

306 scored 5 runs in the first inning for a substantial lead and added 9 more in the following innings.

Shiro Shiraiishi, 306 chucker, limited his opponents to 2 hits and fanned 8 batsmen.

M. Mitsuoka and T. Tanaka each collected 2 hits for 306.

PEACOCKS PECK INDIANS
WITH 5-1 TRIUMPH

The Peacocks "pecked" their way into a undisputed 3rd spot in the "A" standings as they pounded out a 5-1 win over the fading Indians in a 4 inning tilt last Sat. night on Fld. 30.

The Peacocks tallied in the first frame when Nakamura, Indian left fielder with 2 away dropped a line fly from the bat of K. Misawa permitting T. Misawa to score who had doubled. The Peacocks made it 4-0 in their half of the second and first. He scored a moment later when pitcher Murakami slapped a sharp single between second and short. The Peacocks final run came in the third stanza when K. Misawa drove one of Ueda's "floaters" into left-center for a four-bagger.

The Indians lone run came in the third frame on a homer by Sano Sugi which was one of the 3 hits off of Murakami.

DEBUTANTES TOP
TOPPERLETTES

The slugging Debutantes blasted two opposing pitchers for 23 hits and 29 runs to score a victory over the Topperettes, 29 to 9 in a League game at Fld. 30 Sat.

Featuring the game were the five home runs made by the Debs, three were made by S. Nishijima.

OLD MEN UPSET
FIREBIRDS 8-5

The Old fogies from Blk. 35 outhit, outplayed, and outscored the Firemen 8-5 in a practice tilt last Sun. morning on Fld. 30.

POSTON II HARDBALLERS
SCALP DELANO
INDIANS 11-5

The Poston 2 Redsox turned back the visiting Delano Indians from Unit 1 by a score of 11-5 on a hardball game Sunday morning.

The Indians jumped into an early 4-0 lead which dwindled into a shaky 5-4 onerun lead going into the seventh.

Runs popped in the Redsox half of the seventh when Hirogawa tripled with 2 out to start a Redsox rally that netted 7 runs and the ball game.

Asada and Takayama pitched the winning ball for the Redsox. Nishijima and Arita chucked for the losers with Arita credited with the loss.

GIRLS JUDO
CLASS PLANNED

Exercises and self defense will be stressed for the girls judo enthusiasts. It will differ from boys as roughing will be omitted. Registration are being held from 8 to 9:30 p.m. at Rec 326 every night until Wed. Oct. 14. If there is sufficient girls interested, the class will begin sometime next week.

BLK. 3 OVERPOWERS
BLK. 22, 9-5

The old men from Blk. 3 showed that they still have a lot of pep by beating the Blk. 22, 9-5 on Fld. 30 Sun. morning.

Blk. 3 slugger slammed Omori, Blk. 22 chucker, around until they put another pitcher in the game, while Takaki of Blk. 3, getting good support, held Blk. 22 to 4 hits, all made in the fourth stanza.

THE CASE OF
REVENGING TWO

The omnipotent desert sun rose and boomed brightly on a sleepy Poston 13. As the hour of 8 approached, four haggard, unkempt figures limped toward a certain block manager's office--3 men and a girl. A shrill, wide-awake voice of a waitress rang out, "Hi Sam! How was the brawl last night?" The foremost "man", without raising his head, muttered in a deep guttural voice, "Okay". Seeing the office opened and the personnel comfortably drowsing inside, hordes of residents proceeded to file in and out; complaints, queries, demands, praises, requests, and suggestions flying thickly, and with celerity equal to that of the sun-dappled deer.

The tired voice of the manager was heard above the din, "routine---routine---God, but this is a dead burg!" Immediately, as if in answer to his vociferation, two brawny men of ferocious mien--a short savage with an ample anterior, and a tall lean specimen with the moustache of Lucifer stalked into his sanctum. With piercing eyes accusing him of insidious acts, the latter opened a yawning mouth to reproach the errant entertainment chairman. Hastily, the former grasped his fellow conspirator by the neck, swung him around, and proceeded to whisper hurried instructions. After a brief but highly spirited argument, they straightened up, winked broadly, and presented with a flourish to the bewildered man, a proclamation, *Boni Leges Samis*. After

editorial

LIMITED MAN POWER

Plans for the production of camouflage nets in the Colorado River Relocation Center are being carried into effect with the construction of garnishing sheds well under way at each of the three Poston units. The most is being made of the evacuees' willingness to participate in patriotic work of aid to the armed forces, which is well and good as far as it goes. There is, however, another pertinent angle to this matter that seems to have been overlooked.

We refer, of course, to the fact that the Poston center is definitely an agricultural community and that every effort should be made to turn the thousands of available acres into thriving productivity. It is a big job requiring a tremendous amount of man power, which is already being depleted appreciably for the harvesting of the valuable sugar beet fields.

Now it has become very apparent that this center possibly cannot afford to have more men drafted into many other projects if the original plan of agricultural development and production is to be fully realized. It is time that a careful study of existing available labor sources should be made in every center before work programs that we are not able to supply with man power without harming the agricultural venture are added to the project.

In order to avoid the confusion of pulling in two opposite directions, the wishes of the center residents must be consulted.

If, as we understand, the growing of vegetables for the nation and the army is the primary plan of the relocation centers, everyone involved must concentrate on bringing this one job into reality.

Outside industries which conflict with and hamper the accomplishment of the main farming program, which is as important as any endeavor in the war effort, must be considered carefully and not pushed upon the people.

taking a single sweeping glance at the finely written paper, the eminent Sam, scowling horribly, exploded, "Call my legs bony, will yuh? I'll-----".

Sam's gracious visitors, enflourished by his ungraciousness, calmly, --dangerously calmly, drew out and brandished a knife, which, with great foresight, they had slipped out of the mess that morning. Now, they would take revenge--revenge on him who had put the block managers to untold embarrassment the evening before--the

ire provoking impromptu skit. "Hah", they screamed in unison as they plunged the implement of Mars into the manager, "sic semper tyrannis!

Any similarity to persons living or dead is purely coincidental.

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