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ADVANCE MEN FOR RELOCATION

EXPECTED TODAY

Oscar Buttedahl and Leo T. Shimmons advance men for the relocation team which is expected the latter part of this month are scheduled to arrive in the center to-

Mr. Buttedani is con nected with the Wash ington reports office. while Mr. Simmons is St Louis from the area relocation office. Both will confer with personnel appointed and community residents to lay the groundwork for the arrival of Harold Fistere Robert Cullumn and Abe Fischler who will com pose the main team

250 CLEARANCE DECISIONED

Leave clearance decisions received from Washington now total over 250 with 60 ar riving here within the past three weeks The odore H Haas chairman of the hearing board

reports.

1000 dockets Over have now been received here and board members have been holding hear Be. ings regularly cause the board has re cently been authorized to hear the cases of repatriates and expatriates without doc it has been eskets. necially active

RELOCATEES LEAVE EARLIER

Residents of Unit I are reminded that on Tuesday nights when special car leaves and large groups of people are going out departures will start 5 pm to process them at the leave office. Others will leave immediately

DRAFT STATUS OF EVACUEES CLARIFIED

Several issues which have been brought up by residents eligible for Selective Service were clarified by James D. Crawford local representative for Yuma County at a meeting of community leaders held last Monday afternoon.

One; At present evacuees are non deferable no project positions being considered
indespensable. This
ruling may be modified
at a later date. However every registrant
has to right to appeal
within ten days after
he is classified in
Class I.A.

Two: The importance of keeping the local draft board informed of every change of address was stressed by who ex Mr. Crawford plained the failure on the part of many lelo cated persons to do so as the cause for their notices being draft Residents here sent who have draft age reoutside latives are asked to remind them of this obligation Several penalties are imposed for not compli ing with this ruling the nope was held but out that draft author ities would be lement in the case of evacubecause of their ees two-year inactive sta tus

Three: Several California boards disobeying new Selective Service regulations governing have notified residents to report to California for pre induction examinations.

after 6 p m

Friends wishing to bid farewell should not wait till the last minute

notices are null and voîd and should be tak en to the unit adminis trator's office A11 notices examination must come from Sergeant Porter of the Phoenix It is not necboard nowever that essary men receive classifica tion cards before get ting their presinduction notices.

Four: Evacuee preinduction examinations will begin in early March in Phoenix acto tauative cording plans Because there are approximately 1327 Poston men in the 18 38 single man category it is estimated that eight months will be necessary for all of them to be examined

It is possible Five: that a medical team will be sent here from Phoenix to conduct pre induction examinations This speed up plan will enable those planning early resettlement to get their cassifica tion before proceeding further with their or to ask for plans postponement of their classification until after relocation

Six: Only those engaged in agricultural production are considered deferable, and 16 war units are required of those applying for deferment. The ally person who can reques deferment is the employer The definition of a war unit will be carried on the next issue

Selective Service ad visory boards are being formed in each unit to relieve the present pressure on the unit administrators offices and to assist eva

es and to assist eva cuees with their special draft problems

WHY SUSPECT THE NISEL MORE THAN U. S. BORN CERMINS AND ITALIANS?

During the first World To the Editor: War intolerance ran insanely high. Anyone with a foreign sounding name was suspected of being disloyal, and particularly was this true if the name was of German origin. Only those who were willing to place their hands on the dictionary and swear that their ancestors came across in the Mayflower seemed to be entirely immune. Conditions improved somewhat when someone pointed out that we are all of foreign extraction and the only true Americans are the Indians.

In the present war, conditions are almost reversed. Nobody suspects his neighbor because he happens to have a German name. Nor do we ter and feather a man who inadvertently has passed the flag without saluting it. Freedom

of speech has been curbed but slightly.

Many There is one unfortunate exception. still suspect the American-born Japanese. Why they should be suspected more than the German Americans or the Italian Americans is not easy to understand. Very few of these young men They are steep and women have seen Japan. ed in American culture and traditions. The Amer ican way of life is there way of life, and the great majority of them are loyal to the country under whose flag they were born. In a democracy we have no right to suspect anyone who has not shown himself to be disloyal; to do so is to invite disloyalty.

I have had the pleasure of serving professionally some dozen american-born Japanese from Hawaii, who now are in the U.S. Army. I have found them to be neat, courteous, refined, intelligent, highly appreciative, and extremely proud to wear the uniform of the United

States.

lengthy conversation with one of I had a these men. He was born in the islands, where his father ran a small business. When his father, because of ill health, had to return to Japan, the son remained. When he was asked how he could fight against Japan when his parents are there, he replied, "They are only two to worry about, but I am thinking of the hundreds and hundreds of American-born Japanese. They are the boys and girls I am willing to fight for."

young Japanese American told me Another proudly that his brother fought in Africa and Sicily, was wounded, and is now convalescing, He said the Japanese Americans formed a spearone of the battles. They captured rmans, to the utter amazement of the head in some Germans, latter, who thought they had been captured by natives of Japan.

Surely, we have no right to suspect or mistreat the young men and women whose parents were born in Japan. Japan is our enemy, it is true, but not the young men and women of Japanese ancestry who dwell among us. My association with them has convinced me that they are Americans in the true sense of the word.

(From the Minneapolis Tribune:) Lehnur Mendell

OFFICERS PRAISE NISEI ABILITY, LOYALTY, GALLANTRY

ability, loyalty and gallantry in actionare some of the qualities for which nisei members of the 100th Infantry Battalion are praised by their officers, according to a letter received in Washington from Lawrence J. (Lar-Collins, former ry) senior community WRA adviser enterprise from an American Red Cross hospital in Afri

in Mr. Collins, letter dated "Somewhere in Africa" on December 16, said he had been in the hospital for se Among veral weeks. fellow-patients his are several Caucasian officers of the 100th

"I am happy to see

Battalion.

that the battalion of American Japanese that seen action in this theatre has won praise in all quarters for its ability and lo yalty," writes Mr. Col lins, "Several officers (Caucasians) from that unit are in this ward and they them to the skies. teresting, too, are the praises they receive spontaneously from oth er officers here that have seen them in ac-

sectors." OBITUARY

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HATAKEDA Blk. 222-11-A, formerly of Sanger Calif. Feb. 10 Yamaguchi 'en.

with them in adjacent

just worked

VISITING SERVICEMEN

Camp Shelby, Miss.: Pvt. Henry Hashiguchi, Tokumi Hokedo, Pvt. Jack M. Iriguchi. Pfc. Kiyoshi Nakamura, and T/5 James-Shimmith.

Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.: Pvt. Susumu Wata

nabe.

A a column-LE WENT ON the air on station KCY Sunday at 8:30 P.M. at the Phoenix CBS studios. .by we, we mean Sgt. Tada-shi Cgawa, T/3, espewas an cially...it inter-racial program of good will among Americans and featured members of the black; white, yellow, brown, and red stocks... SCT. CGAMA who is a veteran of the Kiska campaign just returned from 6 solitary months in the Aleutians his ribbons, the one with the star, means he took part of the Asia-tic-Pacific campaign; the other one is for having served in the Army pre-PH, the insignia on his shoulder you'd call is what cute, offhand ... a head of a white bear that could pass for a kin of U.C's Golden Bear. and appropriately onough shines the North Star above the head, for it is the insignia of the Alaskan Departif I remember ment, correctly SCT IS MODEST, and did not think he shoul d receive all the publicity and credit, as there are 3 of his buddies visiting also in Poston at this time OTHER PARTICIPANTS included a blonde Seabee who saw action in the South seas; a colored Pvt, who told of his

exploits in London and North Africa...he was wounded in action.... there was a full-blood Pima Indian boy, a and Cpanish singer, the male soloist of the "EVEREADY" allcolored choir made me think of the bass in Inkspots...he was solid! AFTER THE half-hour

Tom Ikeda, broadcast a genial JACL bigshot Phoenix irea of the came in to greet us in room . . . so the sound

MASS FUNERAL SERVICES PLANNED FOR SHIRAMIZU SATURDAY AFTERNOON

BOWL SCENE OF RITES

In honor of the late Sgt. James Kiyoshi Shiramizu, last reported killed in on the Italian action Front, the residents of Poston II will pay tribute with final memorial ceremonies at the Cottonwood Bowl Saturday, February 19th from 1:30 P.M.
Rev. Y. Iwanaga will

officiate.

The committee charge of the arrangements are S. Sakamoto, K. Takizawa, K. Oka-wauchi, J. Terakawa, wauchi J. Terakawa, F. Nitta, and R. Tazu-J.

Friends and acquain tances of the deceased and family are being extended cordial invitations to attend.

ciable and nice delicious . of-a-but of-a-but steak dinner BRCADCAST was made possible thru the efforts of our Re-ports Officer Pauline Brown and her associates. We hoped that a lot of local residents tuned in, but according to Kenny, the static was terrificker WE DON'T KNOW whether we went along to cover the program or otherwise, but we certainly did take advantage of did take advantage of the otherwise ... for altho' after nearly 2 years of dormancy in all the cokes, a porcelain bath, the soft mattress, jukebox tipping, neons, traffic lights, and even the white and yellow danger lines down the middle of the highways brought pangs of nostalgia to this Postoncured mind THIS TAS A lovely way to spend a Sunday...

JAMBOREE CLIMAXED BOY SCOUT WEEK IN POSTON

initial Воу The Jamboree held Scout last Sunday under the auspices of the Unit II scout leaders, cli-maxed the Boy Scout Week here in Poston

Jamboree contests re sults were as follows:

Sinaling-won by Joseph Ogawa and Shige ji Kimura of troop 124 three-legged race-won Tanaka and by Eddie Yoshiro Shiba of troop pyramid-won by 120; composed from team troops 121, 123 and 124; knot tying - won by troop 100 from Unit I; Compass relay- won by the team composed from the Unit II



Friday Returning from Santa fe, New Mexico was Mr. Genroku Kono, block 214.

Also reunited their families with were Mr. Heruyuki Kawabe, 209, and Mr. Rinnosuke Chana, 214, who returned Saturday.

Currently visiting her parents the T. Yokoyama's of 215, is Mrs. Kei Hayame and son Arthur who are en route Cleveland.

Staging a grand re-ion at the Cshita union at home in 215 are Mr. and Mrs. .. Added Denver, Opt. Florand Joe

Takahashi í.s Henry the lone departee To. Colorado Thursday.

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE: Violin case in excellent condition Inquire 220 Rec., FOR SALE: 1/4 horse blower - type bowcr cooler. Contact Jim at Unit I Internal Security, Thone 165 JANTED: washing ma Call 165. chine.

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BLK. MANAGER SUPERVISOR SWINNER OF POLIO RESIGNS POST CONTEST DONATES

Dale Okazaki, Unit III Blk. Manager Supervisor ever since July 8, 1943 has resigned his post recently. He left Poston Tuesday, Feb. 15 to relocate in Detroit, Michigan. His successor has not been

named as yet. Prior to Okazaki's departures, he was honored at a party given by Blk. Managers and executive staff at 310 hall, Saturday mess night.

ROKU II JR. YBA ELECTS OFFICERS

Masaro Harada was elected president of Roku II Jr. Y.B.A. at a meeting held on Feb. 12 at 316 Buddhist Church .

Assisting him will Dorothy Yamamoto, will vice. president; Mary Nakagawa, secretary, Yoshio Harada, treasurer; Taro Mukai, liter-ary chairman; Emma Kodama, music chairman and Yoko Kawasaki, assistant music chairman. Installation of of

ficers will be held on Saturday, Feb. 19 at 316 Church from 7 p.m. General char man will be Mary Nakagawa . Members are requested to bring their forks for refreshments.

٥ TAKE ADVANTAGE OF NICHT COURSES

Anyone interested in taking advantage of instruction of night school courses sponsored by Adult Education Dep't. of camp III are urged to register at their Blk. Mgr's office or 310-13-H:

List of over 20 interesting courses are in your block office information and convenience.

"B" LEAGUE SCORES FOR LAST WEEKEND

Lil' Giants def. 308 Pacers def. 309---19-18 28-11 Cardinal def. 305-24-22

Ayako Hosaka first place winner of polio poster contest donated five dollars received from her father as reward to the Infantile Paralysis fund, according to Frank Doi, Unit III Drive chairman. -000-

330,328 FIRST IN KITCHEN AND LATRINE RATING

For the second time, mess 330 received the highest rating from the Unit III Sanitation The Dep't. average is_92.9%.

Following are the

ratings: 330--95 327--93 324--95 308--92 323--94 329--92 316--310--92 317--932 328 -- 92 305--913 306--913 309--913 322--913 307--93 318--93 325--93 326--93 328 continues its winning streak in la-

trine inspection. average is 88.38%. Block by block rating

are as follows:

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32894	33087
329~~94	30786
30693	31086
30993	31786
30892	32386
30590	32486
32288	32586
31687	32685
31887	32785

PUBLIC HEALTH DEP'T. MOVES TO CLINIC

Rublic Health Depart ment which was located at 310-3-A exchanged its office with Sanitation Department and is now .located at the medical clinic.

-NOTICE Found: key at pocket tached with knife found by Rec. Owner please 309 claim at Press Office 310-2-D.

GREEN BAYS EKE ONE BASKET WIN OVER 325

325 Pendelphians gave the Green Bays a tough battle as they 13-2 in first quarter, 15-14 at half and held 10 points lead during the third stanza, but were overstanza, but were over-come at the last minute of the play to lose by 31-29 score in the first "AA" game of league, Sunday at cour; 325.

M. Hatada of Green Bays led the scoring with 13 points with T. Sakata of losers potting 10 points.

LANCERS, 305 AZTECS WIN IN "A" LEAGUE

In a close contested game, 328 Lancers de-feated Phillip Cilers, 25-23 on High School court, Sunday after-noon. N. Honda of Lancers with 12 points and H. Oazki with 7 points took scoring

honors for this game. Paced by M. Osato with 11 points, 305 took the 316 boys, 35-31 in an exciting over-time game at court 305 Sunday afternoon. $_{ t H.}$ Oye scored 9 points for the losers.

In the other "A" played, Aztecs defeated Mustangs 14-11.

BASKETBALL SCHEDULES

BCY3

Thursday, Feb. 17--Phillip Cilers Vs. 316 7:00 p.m.

Reedley "A" Vs. Aztecs 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 19 -- Reedley "AA" Vs. Pendelphians at 318-3:30 GIRLS

Sat. Feb. 19 -- Junior girls league at ct. 309 308 Vs. Buccaneers--

9:30 a.m. 318 Vs. Nameless ---

10:30a. m. Serior girls at 2:00 318 Vs. 306 at 318

307 Vs. 327 at 307 305 Vs. Phylesiuns-305 309 Bye



