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SPECIAL COACHES CHARTERED

Two special coaches and a special bus have been scheduled for departures this week, according to Lorraine Hille, Leave Officer.

Wednesday evening a special coach will leave for central Cal. The largest group, with 31 people, is returning to Bakorsfield and smaller groups are headed for Fresno and Dinuba.

Thursday morning at 1:00 a. m. a special bus has been chartered to take 30 people back to El Centro.

Another special coach will leave Thursday evening for the Montecrey Bay Area via Los Angeles. Twenty-nine leaving on that train are scheduled to return to San Jose, and another group of 22 has Morgan Hill as its destination.

BUS SCHEDULE CHANGES

Effective as of Oct. 15, 1945, the Las Vegas Needles Phoenix Stage Line will operate on a new schedule.

Leaving Phoenix at 1:20 pm Mountain Standard Time, the bus will arrive in Parker at 5:40 p. m. (M. S. T.), and will leave for Las Vegas 30 minutes later, at 5:10 p. m., Pacific Standard Time.

Returning from Las Vegas the bus will arrive in Parker at 2:40 a. m. Pacific Standard Time, which is 3:40 a. m. Mountain Standard Time, and will leave immediately for Phoenix, arriving there at 7:45 a. m.

MYERS LETTER PRAISES POSTON

In a letter to Project Director Duncan Mills, Director S. Myer, Director of WRA, made special note of the fact that during a six weeks period Poston jumped from 8th to 2nd. place among the centers in the percent of persons relocated.

Director Myer commented, "This was a herculean task, and I want to again express my compliments to you and to your staff who assisted you in carrying out such a stupendous job."

In an earlier letter referring to the closing of Camps II and III, Mr. Myer congratulated the evacuees, who cooperated in the completion of this tremendous movement.

SHIPMENT OF ASHES

Residents of the center have been notified by Director Myer regarding the disposal of ashes of deceased persons who died without relatives in this country but who have relatives in Japan to whom it would be appropriate to send the urns.

The Swiss Legation, representing the protecting power of the Japanese Government, will accept the urns in such cases. Each urn should be shipped to the Swiss Legation, Department of Japanese Interests, 2514 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington, D. C. It should be marked as follows:

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VOLUNTEERS TO MOVE EVACUEE PROPERTY

Because of an anticipated increase in the number of persons who will be relocating from Poston in the next few weeks it has been decided that volunteer evacuee crews will help with the job of moving property.

In a recent survey it was discovered that property belonging to 47 relocated families had never been moved.

Mr. Lipian, Assistant Project Director, presented the facts to the block managers and they pledged the support of volunteer groups. It was decided that these groups should operate on a plan similar to that followed by the volunteers of Units II and III when they were faced with the same problem.

COMMUNITY FUND

From the minutes of the first meeting of the Poston Consolidated Community Council and Block Managers on Oct. 4, it was reported that the fund now under the care of the Community Council amounts to \$2500.00, \$400.00 of this to be divided for needy resettlers, and the remainder to be divided equally among 54 students as a scholarship fund.

Red Cross funds have been loaned to early resettlers for the term of 90 days, and when all amounts are repaid, they are to be divided equally and given to the sick evacuees in the hospital.

NISEI PACIFIC UNITS RECOGNIZED

Recognition for service rendered by Japanese Americans in the Pacific battle areas, was given in an article by Duane Honnessy which appeared in the Sunday, Oct. 14 edition of the Arizona Republic. Honnessy's article was entitled "Skillful Nisei Aid Army in Pacific Spy Work".

The article spoke of a highly secret U. S. Army unit made up principally of Japanese Americans whose existence was disclosed this week by Allied headquarters.

Commander Col. Sidney T. Mashbir of Washington D. C. is quoted as saying of the Nisei, "They are worthy, as individuals and as a group, of the highest possible praise for their invaluable contribution to the success of Allied arms."

Of the members of this secret organization, 16 won the Bronze Star; two the Silver Star, one the Soldiers Medal; three the Purple Heart, and 40 received commendations.

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1. Name of deceased
2. Place and date of death
3. Name and address of next of kin in Japan.

Advise the War Relocation Authority, Washington, attention Mr. Ralph Stauber, at the time of shipment and they will advise the Legation.

This instruction, of course, does not apply to cases where the deceased person has relatives in this country.

CHRONICLE GIVES NOTICE

You will receive your last issue of the Poston Chronicle on Oct. 23, 1945.

ENCOURAGEMENT FROM LANCASTER, CALIFORNIA

As proof of one man's ability to influence and direct the thinking of a large number of people in a community, we quote from the letter of Harold A. Loy, Minister of Lancaster, Calif. to his Japanese American friends in Poston.

"In a talk to the Kiwanis last October and to my people from the pulpit last November, I dealt with the problem America, or rather California had created by mistakenly causing the mass removal of all Japanese Americans. I tried to show the way that our American democracy and our Christian religion were being tested and how we must do what we could to make up for this mistake. I know that this stand made me unpopular with some, but I also know that the most thoughtful people of the community and all the people of my church with a very few exceptions endorsed the thoughts I presented.

As a description of the result of his work, Rev. Loy tells of a meeting held to discuss the return of Japanese Americans to the Valley. "The men came. And the letter from you folks was read. The response was amazingly good. I could hardly believe it. They agreed to organize a Committee on American Principles and Fair Play, and elected Roy Murawich. The local editor agreed to prepare the people for your return and print other articles which would be helpful. The Kiwanis President, Eddie Foote, agreed to have a Nisei soldier to speak. This was done about a month ago and he and the Caucasian Marine did a

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C. E. MEMBERS HOLD MEETINGS

Members of the Poston Co-operative Enterprises Inc., attended meetings held by the respective units of membership at the office of their block managers in the block in which each member resided. These meetings were held on Oct. 15, 1945 at 7:00 p.m.

The purpose of the meetings was the election by each unit of a delegate or delegate's from their number "who shall represent such members in all matters affecting their interest during the ensuing year, to the Unit Congress and the Congress of Delegates of the Co-operative".

A Unit of Membership consists of all the members of the Co-op. in good standing, who reside within a block of the Colorado River Relocation Center.

The meetings were held by order of the Board of Directors.

good job.

In order to further encourage evacuees wishing to return to Lancaster, Rev. Loy wrote; "I know personally that the manager of the Lancaster Inn is a liberal fellow, and if you phone me when you get in town or come to the church, I will be glad to help arrange through him for accommodations for you there. I think I know the sentiment of most of the business men and several of the ranchers, and would be glad to direct you to some that I know to have thought their way clear on this issue of your return -- for any assistance you may need from them.

Rev. Loy's address is 821 West 10th St., Lancaster, California.

YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LIQUIDATES

In a project press release from Washington, all evacuees who have accounts with the Yokohama Specie Bank are notified to make claims as soon as possible since the bank is being liquidated the commissioner of the State of Calif.

The first dividend payments were to start not long after Oct. 1, 1945, according to Geo. H. Mills who is liquidating the bank. Claims are to be filed with the Commissioner of Banking, State of California, San Francisco.

Evacuees who have already filed claims, are asked to discontinue writing letters of inquiry about payments, since the time and money involved in answering them will affect the amount of dividends payable.

FIRE ALARM

As if in response to the warnings in last week's Chronicle regarding the cause and effect of fire hazards, two small fires were discovered in mess halls during the past week. Although the fires were put out before they could do much damage, they should serve as a reminder that such things do happen and should be avoided.

FOR SALE

Woman's Bicycle
Pro-War Model

Two new inner tubes
For further information call Phone # 117

FOR SALE

Man's Bicycle
Pro-War Model

For information call
Phone # 133.

FIRST AID AVAILABLE

Dr. Hiroshi Inouye, 26-5-B, will be available for first aid treatment, the Red Cross announces. He started this work last week.

Dr. Inouye may be called at the Red Cross office during the day. From 5:00 to midnight, he may be reached by calling the police station.

He is formerly of Glendale, Arizona.

IN APPRECIATION

In a message of thanks to his friends in Poston, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Yamamoto wrote:

"As we relocated to California from Poston, we deeply regretted parting with the many friends we had known in the relocation center, and trust that we may meet them again in the future. We sincerely appreciate the many courtesies and tokens of friendship that we have received from them."

SEARCH CONDUCTED FOR MISSING RESIDENT

Gen Nagaya, 63 year old bachelor, formerly of Camp III and residing temporarily in block 46-12-D left a note to the block residents in which he indicated his intention of committing suicide. This note was discovered by his room mate Kisagi Namba about 11:30 p.m. on October 13. The note was turned into the police department on Sunday morning. A thorough search was conducted Sunday and Monday under the leadership of Mr. Nakamura and Mr. Ikeda, but no trace has been found.

FEDERAL GRAND JURY ACQUITS WATSON BROTHERS

James and Claude Watson, of Auburn, Calif. were recently acquitted of charges of illegal possession of dynamite and conspiracy to violate a federal law by federal grand jury. They had previously been acquitted of similar charges in the Placer County Superior Court. Prosecutor Frank J. Hennessy told the jury in his final argument that the "entire nation is watching the outcome of this case" He said the nation desires to know whether California is going to guarantee the Japanese protection from "Terror raids." On the other hand, Floyd Bowers, defense counsel, contended the government had not linked the brothers with possession of the dynamite or conspiracy to possess the explosives.

NEW HOSTEL OPENS

A new hostel located in Watsonville, Calif. is scheduled to open its doors on November 6th. This hostel will accommodate 50 persons and is in addition to the one already established which houses 60 persons.

Jobs in the Watsonville are soon to be plentiful.

NEW ARRIVAL IN HOME OF UNIT ADMINISTRATOR

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Wells, a son weighing 8 lbs. and 2 ounces, on October 16 at the Indian Agency Hospital, Barkor, Ariz.

The new arrival is the second child in the Wells family.

赤十字新報

「ロミタ政府家屋」に

アマチ子より百名歸還

羅有タイムス紙の報ずる所に依るとロスアンゼルス、ハーバート近頃のロミタ飛行場の所屬家屋に約百人の日系人がコロラドの駐在所より帰還してそこに居住することになった模様である。

この飛行場家屋は勿論臨時的のもので元は飛行場勤務者が住んでゐたところらしい。同紙はその詳細を報道してゐるがこの家屋はWRA並に政府家屋部の管理下にあるもので各バラックを教室に仕切り一

室の廣さは十二×ニ〇呎、室内には鉄カットマトレス、ブラケット一人に二枚とオイル

對日感情好轉する

昨今のランキヤスター平原

ランキヤスターは數回の突砲事件などもあり對日系人の空気が悪いとされてゐたところであるが今固同地美以教會牧師ロイ氏より所屬一居住者宛てた書簡に依ると同地の空気が可なり好轉しつつある模様である。

ヒスターが備へられてゐる。この家屋は勿論有料で二人十五帯、三人十七帯半、四人十九帯、五人以上は二十帯を一月にチャージされる外に毀損保険として一家族十帯を拂はねばならない。食費は自辨にて自宅にてコックすることになつてゐる。

同牧師よりの書簡の一端を左に照會する。「日系人歸還運動促進の爲本地方有力者の會合をもとめまして、ところ豫想外に多數が來會致しました。その席上私は元ランキヤスター居住者たる貴下方よりの手紙を朗讀しましたか

その反響は驚くべき程良好で殆ど信じられない位でした。そしてこの會合の結果、米國信條公正會なるものが結成され、モー氏を會長に選出いたしました。當地新聞紙も日系人歸還準備の力を約し出來るだけ好意的の記事を載せてくれたることになりました。又一ヶ月前には一日系兵士と白人陸戦隊員に講演をして貰ひ非常な對日好感情を醸成する事に成功しました云々……」

尚、ロイ牧師は個人的同平原歸還者へ臨時的な家屋の周施或は荷物運搬交通などに便宜を計る積りである旨、誠意を披歴し且つ同地、ビジネスマン及び農家に働き懸けて必要なる援助を得

ること、出來る様にあるに伸べること、を約する所があつた。

赤十字支部表

立退前アリゾナ州グレンデール市で開業して居た井上宏醫師が滞在の中なので赤十字支部は同師を煩はし救護班員として一般病床者を見舞はうて貰ふ事になつたと、希望者は同支部へ。

長屋巖氏

行方不明

第三館府より四十六部落に移住した長屋巖氏(六十九)は去十三日夕方書置して家出した様、決稿メ切まで行方不明である。

△第一監禁者は今十七日を限り閉鎖する。