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WRA POLICY TO ALLOW SELF GOVERNMENT

OVER 5,390 STUDENTS EXPECTED TO ATTEND POSTON SCHOOLS IN FALL

An estimated 5,390 students will attend Poston schools, grades 1 to 12th year, this fall beginning Oct. 1, at Unit 1, 2, and 3, according to statement made by Dr. Miles E. Cary, Director of Education.

About 1,050 will attend the elementary group, while more than 1560 will enroll in Jr. and Sr. high schools, in Unit 1. The estimated 1,390 will join the elementary and high schools at Poston 2, while the similar number is expected at Poston 3.

"There will be a shortage of textbooks, but it will not be a serious loss to the students' education, but rather a positive gain, since the pupil can study his communities' environment. So the textbook-environment system will be used here," Dr. Cary declared.

The schools here will be under the same standards as those in California. Therefore the graduates will be accepted into colleges.

About 180 instructors will serve in the institutions, half of which will consist of nisei members who are now taking Teachers' Course at Colorado River School.

WATER SUPPLY SHUT OFF

The water system at Poston II will be shut off between the hours of midnight and 5 a.m.

VOTERS WARNED OF DEADLINE ON SEPT. 3

All California citizens who are now Poston residents and interested in voting in the primary elections and have failed to do so yet are reminded that such absentee ballots must be received by the County Clerk by September 1st.

Poston's legal departments will assist in having the ballots properly notarized.

INJURED WORKERS TO REMAIN ON PAYROLL

Hereafter, all workers injured while on duty will continue to be on the payroll, it was disclosed yesterday by James Abe, manager of Poston 2's timekeeping Dept.

However, it was specified that a doctor's and the department heads' or immediate superior's verification of an injury incapacitating the employée will be required.

No provisions have as yet been made for a workmen's compensation for Poston employees, but John Maeno of Poston II's legal staff is investigating the possibility of obtaining indemnities for injuries sustained on duty.

GUARDS TO PATROL WATER SEWAGE DISPOSAL PLANTS

The Division of Operations of Unit 2 has taken over the task of patrolling the area surrounding the sewage disposal and water pumping plants.

Under the foremanship of Ky Kitaji, 14 guards have been detailed on a 7 day a week, 24 hour-day basis.

The action was necessitated by the loss and general disturbance of equipment and parts from those areas.

CHIEF COUNSEL BARES LIBERAL PLANS FOR RELOCATION PROJECTS

A liberal policy permitting self government for the evacuees at relocation projects was adopted last weekend by the War Relocation Authority, it was disclosed Thursday by Mr. Philip Glick, Chief Counsel for the WRA from Washington, D. C. Details of the general policy selected after a week-long conference of the various WRA project heads and officials will not be released until later, it was stated, but a general outline of the adopted program disclosed that all men and women of 18 years age or over would be permitted to vote (regardless of citizenship status) for a legislative body.

Outside of the minor regulations and requirements for voting and the necessary election of a legislative body, the exact form of government to be set up by the evacuees would be left to their own choice.

One of the few limitations placed upon the legislative body was that not more than \$1,000 could be raised from the people by taxation.

EDITORIAL

The immediate importance of taking an intelligent attitude regarding our position in the war emergency can be hardly over-emphasized at any time. It must be realized quickly that any feeling of bitterness about our lot should be rejected as useless, unwise and unmanly.

However discouraging the outlook may appear at first glance, there is no reason to be so disheartened or so blind as not to realize, after a momentary adjustment period that unlimited possibilities along certain lines of endeavor are being presented to the people through the WRA --if not on a silver platter, yet with whole-hearted backing.

Undoubtedly the greatest of the opportunities afforded us, it has been pointed out, is in agricultural production. Thousands of virgin acreage will be available for cultivation, and with the necessary machinery and tools promised the people, the farming project will become a thriving actuality if sufficient and spirited participation is thrown behind the venture. The task, Herculean in hugeness, is a challenge which the agriculturalists of Poston can accept as their contribution to the total war effort of the nation and, incidentally, as an alternative from the tedium of a inactive and futureless existence.

An opportunity of quite another kind has been presented by a pair of experts in economics sent by Washington all the way from the Eastern seaboard. What has been

BREAKDOWN DELAYS
SANTA ANITA BUSES

A delay before departing and a breakdown on the road held up the arrival of the first contingent from Santa Anita for several hours. Expected to reach Poston at 4 p.m., it was 9 o'clock before the seven busses pulled into camp III.

As a comic climax to the confusion, the caravan from Santa Anita sped past Poston III, headed for parts unknown. A car had to be sent after the speeding busses to direct them to the intake center.

proposed by the noted lecturers is a modern and democratic system of cooperatives under the Rochdale plan. First in line for possible operation at Poston is a consumer's cooperative which could replace the present community enterprise.

A double gain is seen in this proposal. The public, initially, will be allowed to possess a community business of their own with full voice regarding operation and disposal of profits. Secondly, the people will have a unique opportunity to experience a type of business structure which is predicted to become the ideal economic set up of a post war nation.

In view of the many opportunities of development presented here, it readily can be seen that the venturesome and the visionary should point the way towards making the most of the situation for the good of our community and our government to which the majority have gladly sworn allegiance and loyalty.

POSTON III POLICE
FORCE UNARMED

The Police of Poston III enjoys the unique distinction of being the only force in Poston to go completely unarmed, thus indicating that they prefer brainwork to brawnwork in the enforcement of law and order. The theory upon which the Department operates is that if people were not treated as criminals, they will not act as criminals; therefore, the Department has dispensed with the use of billy-clubs and weapons of any kind.

In actual practice results seem to bear out the theory, since no serious crimes have been committed; there have been no complaints registered against the Department, and a friendly cooperative spirit marks the relationship between the Police and the people of Poston III. Much of the credit for the commendable record of the Department must go to Chief of Police Ken Sato, who commands the wholehearted respect of members of his force and of the community for his vigorous leadership.

FIRE DEPT. ISSUES
"BLANKET PERMIT"
FOR WEINER BAKES

In the future it will not be necessary for individuals or clubs to obtain special permits to have weiner roasts in the Poston parks, of 1, 2, and 3. The "blanket permit" announced by the Fire Dept. takes effect immediately.

UNCLAIMED BAGGAGES

Two baggages belonging to Toichi Murakami, #41811, is at the Poston III Police station.

BLK. COUNCIL ELECTION ON TUESDAY, SEPT. 1

The election of Blk. Councils for Poston 2, and part of Poston 1 districts which were not ready for the last election, will be held Tuesday Sept. 1, from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Every Issei and Nisei, included in the Blk. mentioned, over 16 years, are eligible to vote. The Blk. Mgr. and one representative selected by the Council will comprise the election board. They must be able to speak the Japanese language.

Following are the candidates to appear on the ballots, to be selected by the people of Poston: Unit 1--Blk. 16-Katsumi Tao, William Sakuda, Mitsugi Hane, Matsuo Taoka; Blk. 17--Masao Nishida, George Takata, Harry F. Hiraki, Issac Shingai; Blk. 18-George Hiura, Sam Matsumoto, Masaharu Iwanaga, Ichiro Yamaguchi; Blk. 31-Henry Omoto, Thomas Masuda; Blk. 32--Kiyoshi Miyamura, Norio Tsusaki, William Eto, Frank Kawai

EUCALYPTUS TREES BEAUTIFY BLOCKS

The Nursery Dept. has set its initial step in beautifying the Center, with the planting of Eucalyptus trees, according to announcement made here, by the organization.

Harry Kikuchi, head of the Dept. stated that more than 260 such trees would be required to fulfill the first order, that each block at present is to receive 17 plants, until more shipments arrive. Blk. gardeners will have the job of watering these young trees.

CLIFFORD ZUROSKE HONORED AT FAREWELL WEINER ROAST PARTY

To honor Clifford Zuroske, soil expert, who is leaving Aug. 30 (Sunday) for an important assignment in Nebraska, 17 members of the soil and survey crews held a weiner roast Wed. night at Wade Head Park, Poston 1. The occasion served to welcome Mas' Okino, who has spent the past six weeks in the Poston General Hospital recovering from an injury.

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* To Mr. & Mrs. Masataro Nagaku- *
* ra of Blk. 36-3C, a girl, Aug. 26 *
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THEATRE NEWS

James Fenimore Cooper's "Last of the Mohicans," with Randolph Scott, Binnie Barnes, Heather Angel, Henry Wilcoxon, Bruce Cabot, will be screened during the week of August 31 to September 5.

PLANTING TABLE FOR SEPT. RELEASED BY AGRICULTURAL DEPT.

To assist the residents in their planting of vegetables during the Fall season, the Agri. Dept. yesterday released the schedules for Sept. month. Further information may be obtained at the Dept., on varieties which are not included in this list, at Rec. 37, Agri. Div.

The table for next month is as follows: cabbage-Copenhagen Market 9/1-10/15; Golden Acre 9/1-11/15; beets-Early Wonder, Detroit Dark Red, Crosby's Egyptian 9/1-1/1; broccoli-Calabrese Italian Green 9/15/-10/15; brussel sprouts-Half Dwarf Improved 9/20-10/30; carrots-Imperator, Denvers Half Long Strain 9/15-2/15; cauliflower-Early Showball, Danish Giant 9/15-10/15; chicory-Wiloof 9/20-11/1; endive-Green Curled Refugee 9/1-10/1; garlic-Large White Improved 9/1-12/1; Lettuce Imperial 152 9/1-9/15; Imperial 615 9/20-10/30; potatoes-Bliss Triumph, Irish Cobbler, Yellow Jersey, Nancy Hall 8/20-9/10; radishes-Scarlet Globe, Crimson Giant 9/1-4/1; squash-Italian Zucchini, White Scallop, Yellow Crookneck 4/1-9/30; swiss chard-Sucullus 9/1-1/1; turnips-Purple Top White, Globe, Early Snowball 9/1-1/30; spinach-Prickly Winter 9/1-1/30.

MR. & MRS. MITSUO OKAMOTO HONORED AT WEDDING RECEPTION

A reception was held in the honor of the newlyweds, Mr. & Mrs. Mitsuo Okamoto, Aug. 26, at the home of the bride, Blk.-53-9D. More than forty attended the party.

They are now residing at Blk. 43-1A. Mrs. Okamoto, nee Nobuko Tamaki, is formerly from Brawley, while the bridegroom is from Terminal Island.

TWO DRAMATIC OFFERINGS
FOR SATURDAY NIGHT

An old-fashioned melodrama, "Fireman Save My Child," by Ned Albert and William Saroyan's "People With Light Coming Out Of Them," will be dramatized Saturday night at the Cottonwood Bowl at 9:00 p.m. sponsored by the Recreation Department.

The melodrama will have a cast composed of Toshiko Iriye, Frances Abe, Kiyoko Imoto, George Nakashima, Shizuko Imoto, Howard Takao, George Shoji, Midori Takenaga.

The William Saroyan play will present Hiro Fujita, George Nakashima, Seiji Onishi, George Shoji, Frances Abe, Tad Kimura, Bill Furuya, Kiyoko Imoto, Tomiko Kobata, Betsy Machida and Howard Takao.

Director of both plays is Happy Okajima.

Intermission will feature a double quartet in two numbers and Seiji Onishi in a vocal solo.

NOVEL HUT RECEIVES
BEST SELLERS

Four best sellers were donated to the Novel Hut by Miss Jean Noordhoff of Orange City, Iowa.

"Cross Creek" by Marjorie Rawlings; "Young Dr. Galahad" by Elizabeth Seifert; "Helen Of Old House" by Harold Bell Wright; "My Lady Caprice" by Jeffery Farnol were gratefully received by the library.

IMOTO SUFFERS POSSIBLE
FRACTURED FOOT WED.

Tobias Imoto, 226-4-A, suffered a possible fractured foot Wednesday morning while on sanitation and garbage detail.

UNIT 2 POSTONIANS URGED
TO USE WATER CAREFULLY;
MOTOR "READY TO GO"

It has been reported that some blocks in Unit 2 have become careless in regards to the usage of water.

In view of the current shortage of H₂O, block managers are requested to advise their respective residents to cooperate in this respect and not lend out the hose, unless it's an emergency.

A check of the pumping plant on the firebreak area between 215 and 214 revealed that the auxiliary Buda motor is ready to go. As the contractor stated, "All we need is the gasoline in it to make it run."

As reported in the yesterday's issue of the Press Bulletin, the only other necessary part to complete the water system here is a flange.

GIRLS' INTERBLOCK
SOFTBALL LEAGUE
BEGINS SOON

All blocks in Poston 2 with the exception of 229 and 209 have organized their girls softball teams under the Recreation Department and are now in their third week of practice.

Dorothy Yamauchi, girls' sports leader, stated that the official inter-block games would begin the latter part of next week.

The games will be played on the girls' diamond located at the firebreak, south of block 227.

Imoto, a 19-year-old lad, was run over by a truck while on duty. An X-ray has been taken to determine the extent of injuries.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE
RECREATION DEPARTMENTS

Judo registration has reached 120 in number more than which was expected by the instructors. Practice is expected to begin next week and those interested to sign up are asked to do so immediately.

Arts and Crafts classes are held Monday and Thursday nights from 8 to 10 p.m. and on Saturdays from 2 to 4 p.m. Teruo Kasamatsu who has had five years of experience as a hobby is instructing a class of 30 students under Adult Education by the Recreation Department. Kasamatsu announced that enrollment is still open and that all students must furnish own tools and wood.

Dance practice has been temporarily halted because of the difficulty in obtaining a Recreation Hall on convenient evenings. Enthusiasm for these dance practices was shown by the large turnout by the first night in Block 208. Dorothy Yoshida with Ema Okonogi assisting taught a group of 75 in the basic social dance steps.

GROCERIES MISSING
UNIT 2 EXPRESS DEPT.
WANTS THEM BACK

A box of canned peaches and canned Japanese goods belonging to a Mr. Yamashita from Unit 1 was misdelivered last week by the Poston 2 express and freight truck to the wrong party here.

Any person who received an unanticipated box containing such commodities are requested to return it to Director Crawford's office.

PRE-SCHOOL CLASS HOLDS WEINER BAKE TO BE HELD OPEN HOUSE

An Open House of the Pre-school Class located at Rec 317 will be held this Monday, Aug. 31, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. under the direction of Lily Kita, tentative chairman, and teachers. Mothers are cordially invited to attend.

Classes will begin Wednesday, Sept. 2, from 9 to 11 a.m. The children will assemble at their respective Block Manager's office where a teacher will be in charge. They will be taken to and from classes by trucks. Requisitions for milk and toast have been made.

The teachers made a house to house canvass on Wednesday to make a complete survey of the enrollment. They are also grateful to the Maintenance Office and the Art Dept. for their hearty cooperation.

POSTON III OPENS THIRD CANTEEN

The opening of canteen No. 3 at Poston III, blk 319, was announced Thursday by Fred Ota, general manager of the camp canteens. For the time being, the store will carry only soft drinks, ice cream and similar items.

Fred Okazaki will be in charge of the third Poston III canteen. Assisting him will be five helpers.

MORE BOOKS NEEDED FOR THE LIBRARY

Fumi Shiota, head librarian, announces that more books and magazines are needed for the local library which is scheduled to open on Sept. 1. The library staff has been canvassing from house to house for all kinds of reading material but as yet, a sufficient quota has not been reached.

If anyone has books that they want to add to the library, they are asked to leave them at their Blk. Manager's office.

The Sewing Dept. of Poston I will hold a "get acquainted" weiner bake on the evening of Sept. 4. All seamstress and teachers from Poston III are invited. All students who wish to attend the bake are requested to inquire through Mitzi Sugita, Rec 318. Transportation will be furnished by Poston I from the Sewing Dept., Rec 318, at 7:00 p.m.

TALENT SHOW

Poston III's talent finalists with Karl Taku as master of ceremonies will perform on Sun., Aug. 30, at mess 310 at 9 p.m. The following talents will perform:

Lily Nakagawa, George Kozuma, Hiroshi Sera, Hisako Furusho, Mr. Harada, Noboru Mitsuoka, Sho Miyamoto, Tom Koga, Sarina Reyes, Susumu Takao, Osam Takahashi, Anna Mae Fujino, Mary Kajioka, Charles Yasutake, Ben Mayeda, Alice Teiri, Tsutomu Sasaki, Kats Manaka, Minoru Yamada, Tochuken Seiun, Henry Kubota, Sakaye Inouye and Clara Amino. Judges making the selections were Mrs. Shigeo Koga, Mrs. Toshi Mizokami, James Kubota, Rosie Takahashi, Chieko Ooka, Geo. Nishida, Kaudy Mimura, Bill Shiba and Mr. Masukawa.

The talents not performing - this Sunday night will go on stage at a latter date.

POSTON III'S SECOND WEDDING

The marriage of Reiko Tasniro, and Giichi Kageyama, was solemnized by Rev. Imai, Wednesday, at 4 p.m. at the Christian Church. Paul Higachi was best man.

The bride wore a lovely blue afternoon dress with white lace and a corsage of flowers. She is the daughter of Mr. K. Tashiro, formerly of Orosi, Calif. The bridegroom, formerly of Monterey, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Kageyama. After the ceremony refreshments of a beautiful wedding cake and soft drinks were served.

SALVATION ARMY LEADER ARRIVES IN POSTON III

Among the 231 arrivals from Santa Anita at Poston III Wednesday evening was a noted Salvation Army worker, Captain Masuo Kitaji, who was formerly a commanding officer of the San Jose corp before evacuation.

Captain Kitaji expressed his desire to continue with his beneficial social service work in one of the three Poston units. At Santa Anita he was with the Social Welfare Department in the capacity of a social scientist.

ENGLISH TO BE TAUGHT

As one of the projects of the department, the Adult Education Dept. is planning English classes for beginners or advanced men and women. All those interested are requested to sign up at their Block Manager's office. Classes will begin on Sept. 10, 1942.

SINGSPIRATION TONIGHT

INDY-AG. FUED TILT SLATED THIS SUNDAY

Climaxing weeks of verbal abuses, and insults hurled at each other across the desks, the brawny boys of Ag. Dept. and the tough-minded Industrial Dept. employees will meet this Sunday evening, Aug. 30, at Fld. 30, beginning 7 p.m. to thrash out the mounting differences.

For days now, both teams are each other's throat, betting everything from their "last shirt", next month's pay, canned fruits, and even the Dept. floor space itself. Bets are flying all over the premises, any amateur rookie, if found, would appear silly from "lack of business".

According to Lyle Kurisaki, mogul of the Aggies, ". . . . the factory guys haven't a chance---we'll slaughter 'em!"

Harry Kumagai, Dept. director of the Industry retaliates, with another comment, ".... all they got is lots of muscles, they can't even play ping-pong!"

221 YOGORES, "OYAJIS" TAKE TWO GAMES

The 221 Yogores and "Oyajis" turned in a twin killing Wednesday evening on the diamond south of Blk. 221.

The Yogores triumphed over the 220 ten again in a practice affair by an 11-2 score. The "Oyajis" tired themselves out completely as they tapped the home plate 12 times as against the 3 runs scored by the 227 Old-timers.

GIRLS' GAMES

Poston 3 girls vs. Poston 1 girls, at Poston 3, Sun. Aug. 30.

COMING GAMES

Bakersfield vs. Poston
cats, Fld. 43, Fri.
Aug. 28.
Fluid Drive vs. Braves,
Fld. 21, Fri. Aug. 28.
Firemen vs. Oceanside,
Fld. 30, Sat. Aug. 29.
Agri. Dept. vs. Ind.
Dept., Fld. 30, Sat.
Aug. 30.
Peacocks vs. Riverside,
Fld. 43, Sun. Aug. 30.
"Sleepy" Lagoon vs.
Soil Science, Fld. 43,
Sun. Aug. 30.

211 PENGUINS PECK 209
FOR 10-9 TRIUMPH AS
HISATOMI WALKS 15

The 211 Penguins, aided by some wild pitching, defeated the 209 tossers by a close 10-9 count Wednesday evening on the 207 diamond.

Toya Hisatomi, 209's fast ball artist, whiffed 5 of the Penguin batters, but issued 15 free passes which led to his downfall.

The losers tallied 6 runs in the 4th to tie the game at 9-all. But the Penguins pushed the winning run across in the 6th of a scheduled 5 inning game.

EXHIBITION BOUTS SCHEDULED

Though hampered by the lack of equipments the boxing school of Poston two, under the instruction of "Porkey" Takata and George Sakamoto is in progress, twice daily.

According to Instructor Takata, a former amateur fighter, an exhibition boxing match is scheduled within 2 weeks with Poston 1.

While the facilities are limited both instructors advise all young prospects to attend daily lectures and instructions at the 229 Recreation Hall.

BOXING PRACTICES TO BE HELD SOON

Sam Kasai, ex-pro boxer in charge of boxing in Poston III announced yesterday that boxing lessons will be held soon in Rec 323 which will be used exclusively for that purpose.

Although signing up of both experienced and unexperienced boxers will be taken at blk. mgr's office 325, instructions will not begin immediately for lack of sufficient facilities.

305 EDGES 317 IN TIGHT CONTEST

The Blk. 305 softball team trimmed Blk. 317 in a close game Wednesday night by a 4 to 3 score.

The hits were evenly divided with 317 getting 8 and 305 garnering 7.

Batteries: 305, H. Ishida, K. Shinoda, M. Fujisaki, Bob Ibara. 317, Tom Sakata, Ted Aritomi.

POSTON III ALL-STARS TO PLAY POSTON I SQUAD

The Poston III all-star softball team has scheduled a game with Poston I valley team for Sunday Aug. 30, with the place tentatively set for the Blk 325 diamond at 7 p.m.

POSTON I GIRLS' HI STANDINGS

Team	W	L	T	Pts.
Arabettes	2	0	0	.833
Red Caps	1	0	0	.725
Model T	1	1	1	.500
Deb'tts	1	1	1	.500
Post'tts	1	2	2	.375
Papo'ttos	0	3	0	.000

GIRLS' SOFTBALL GAME

The 305 Jr. girls softball team bowed to the 318 squad, 9-8, Wed.