

CALLS LOCAL SELECTEES FOR PRE-INDUCTION

Five local residents are scheduled to have left early this morning for Denver to report for their army pre-induction physical examination, according to the center internal security office. In addition, four former Amacheans (relocatees) were also listed for pre-induction examination.

Local selectees departing are DEN TSUTOMU MIYAHARA, 9L-2B (PIONEER staff); James George Arishita, 6H-6C; Ben Tsutomu Furukawa, 6F-11A; Harry M. Itsuki, 12F rec. hall, and Kiyoshi Kumagai, 9L-5B.

Following are the "outsiders" called: William Saichi Arai, Tom Tsutomu Tsukashima, Hisashi Zake Wada and Hisao Yanagihara.

CAUTIONS SELECTEES ON DRAFT REVISIONS

All men in the 18 to 38 age group are cautioned by Walter J. Knodel, local draft board representative, to comply with the revised regulations of the Selective Service system.

Change of jobs from one part of the country to another must be approved by the draft board, Knodel said, with the only exception being that of agricultural workers moving from farm jobs to farm jobs. All other changes must be first approved, including a change from agricultural work in any part of the country to industrial work elsewhere, and vice versa.

Center residents and those living in Prowers county and immediate vicinity should check with Knodel at the relocation office for their clearance before leaving. Others should contact the Selective Service Board in their communities and ask that board to send approval for their move to their own local board on the West Coast. Approval will be given to such a move if the Selective Service Board concerned determines the move to be in the best interest of the war effort.

"If a move is made without authorization," Knodel stated, "the individual is liable to lose his present draft status, especially if he is deferred — continued on page 3 —"

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WRA WILL SIMPLIFY FINANCE PROCEDURES

Simplification of procedures in finance, cost accounting, property and procurement activities were the main topics of discussion at the WRA conference held last week in Denver, according to Henry F. Halliday, assistant project director. Halliday attended the meeting with Jack Bohon, finance officer.

Elimination of several procedures in cost accounting, redesigning of the

fiscal and budget accounting system, and reanalysis of property and procurement were among the confab accomplishments. Most of the changes are being made to permit the completion of necessary project work with a smaller personnel, Halliday revealed.

The topic which received considerable attention was the disposition of surplus government property in connection with the liquidation program soon to get underway. It was reported most of the equipment, tools, and other center property will be disposed through the Treasury Procurement Division.

Another subject of discussion was the reduction of purchases to absolute minimum, in order to reduce the project inventories as the population decreases, added Halliday.

Assistant project directors in charge of administration and finance officers from all of the relocation centers, as well as Malcolm E. Pitts, executive officer; John Clear, finance and supply officer; Seymour Cahn, chief of examination; Boyd N. Larsen, budget officer, and Norris Seltzer, procurement officer, all of the Washington WRA office, attended the conference.

Memorial Services Set

As a deserved tribute to the nisei US servicemen of Amache families who recently made the supreme sacrifice on the battlefields of Europe, a fitting memorial service will be held this Saturday afternoon in the high school auditorium. The opening service will be held outdoors in front of the high school.

Complete program will be released in this Saturday's issue.

CHANGES VISITING REGULATION

Visiting regulation changes made by the Washington WRA office are released by Project Director James G. Lindley as follows:

(1) Members of the armed forces on furlough or awaiting call to active duty are permitted to visit a center. Prior approval must be obtained from their nearest outside relocation officer.

(2) Evacuees who need to visit the center in order to develop relocation plans with potential associates in a business or agricultural enterprise may do so with the approval of their local outside relocation officer. Such a visit must be requested by the center residents with whom the planning is to be done.

(3) Evacuees living in communities near a relocation center are not permitted to visit the center — continued on page 3 —

NISSIEI Potpourri

by Roy Yoshida

NO COMPUNCTIONS

JUST RECENTLY a woman I walked into the office of the local project attorney on a "mission" that tugs tenderly on your heartstrings. This woman had come to enlist the aid of the project attorney's office in getting a six-month deferment for her son from his draft board--so he could graduate from high school. Her case was unusual in more ways than one and it should be read by all those on the "outside" who are unable to truly understand the people of Japanese ancestry.

She had lost her husband about 18 years ago and had to rear her family by herself. One of her sons was already in the Army and two of her brothers were serving overseas--one in the South Pacific and other in the European theater of operations. Furthermore, she was losing the sight of one of her eyes.

And yet, strangely enough, she was not asking for his discharge, although with the lifting of the West Coast exclusion orders she would need somebody to look after her. All she wanted was just six months. She had no compunctions about her son being called, no more than that felt by any mother of a son about to be called. She felt it was his duty to serve his country in whatever way possible. But she wanted him to have at least a high school education. She had toiled to rear her sons to be good American citizens. It had been a hard job but she somehow managed, and now, if she could see her son graduate from high school, she would gladly give up her son to Uncle Sam. Then she would know that she had been the kind of devoted mother her husband would have wanted her to be.

Personally, I don't know how to describe this kind of loyalty, my vocabulary does not carry the

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EDITORIAL

THANKS TO MR. VOORHIS

THERE is no more conscientious congressman than Jerry Voorhis of California, advanced New Dealer and honest idealist. He served two years on the Dies Committee, and resigned because he could neither agree with nor alter some of its methods. He voted against the Rankin coup that made the committee permanent--but he favors congressional investigation of un-American activities.

Communist and Fascist philosophies alike, he told the House, aim at ultimate overthrow by force of democratic government. Democracy's best weapon against such movements is full exposure, and Congress probably is the best agency to do the exposing.

The former Dies Committee, in its new status, can perform a valuable service. But it must draw a clear distinction between subversive activity and legitimate exercise of political liberty, or its work will be ineffective and may be disastrous.

So Mr. Voorhis proposed for the committee a fundamental principle and a set of rules, both of which seem to us admirable.

THE PRINCIPLE: Any citizen has the right to his own social, economic or political views, whether or not they agree with the view of the majority, and so long as he holds them openly and honestly and seeks to accomplish them only by the free, democratic, constitutional method of majority rule, he is not un-American. The un-American activities are those which seek by unconstitutional, undemocratic and violent methods to undermine democratic government and substitute the dictatorial rule of a minority.

THE RULES: The committee shall hold regular executive meetings at least once a week. Its members shall not issue reports, public statements or press releases about its work unless they have been submitted to the entire committee and approved by a majority. It shall make a positive effort to give persons accused of un-American activity a prompt opportunity to answer the accusations. Its members shall not make speeches, statements, charges or predictions concerning matters currently under investigation and not yet substantiated by evidence. It shall let evidence speak for itself, and avoid dramatizing or exaggerating situations which it may investigate.

Fine congressmen willing to proceed in accordance with that principle and those rules can avoid the errors made by the Dies Committee, and do a fairer, better job of protecting the country against enemies within.

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words that would adequately express such devotion to her son and the country of his birth. Surely there must be a reward for that kind of love of a mother for her son.

Justice delayed is Justice denied. --Gladstone

QUOTATION (MINNEAPOLIS STAR JOURNAL):

James G. Lindley, director of the Granada, Colo., relocation center, said the nisei there hesitate to return to their West Coast homes until they learn how they are likely to be received.

TO RECRUIT MORE WORKERS TELLS RESETTLEMENT PLAN

SAN FRANCISCO--Resettling of all Japanese Americans during the next 12 months, encouraging as many as possible to move east, and turning the Tule Lake Segregation Camp for disloyal Japanese over to the Justice Department, these were the main points of a resettlement plan outlined by Dillon S. Myer, national WRA director, at the opening session of a race relations conference here.

A recruiting agent for the War Hemp Industries arrived on the project last Monday to hire more workers, according to Mario Vecchio, relocation advisor. All interested persons should contact the relocation office within the next few days.

NEW BULLETIN ON WRA GRANTS

Evacuees who have been reintducted into a center since July 20, 1943, without the approval of their outside relocation officer are not eligible for relocation-assistance grants to the evacuated area or elsewhere, announced Dillon S. Myer, national WRA director, in a bulletin dated Jan. 9, 1945.

The bulletin is as follows: "The handbook provision that all relocated evacuees must secure advance approval of the appropriate relocation officer for return to a center went into effect on July 20, 1943. Consequently, all center residents reintducted or admitted into the centers without such approval at any time after that date are ineligible for relocation assistance. Those reintducted previously are, of course, eligible on the same basis as other center residents."

DRAFT REVISIONS

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because of his war-essential activity. No matter what the individual's draft classification is now, he must obtain a clearance before making any move."

This regulation is in addition to War Manpower Commission clearance and the statement of availability needed from the employer, Knodel pointed out. He was supplied with the information last Friday by a representative of the Selective Service System. Draft boards have been notified of the new ruling by telegrams from General Hershey, it was reported.

DREW PEARSON SAYS:

MURANAGA AWARDED DSC

Ever since Drew Pearson first announced it late last month in his widely read "Washington Merry-Go-Round" column that Pfc. Kiyoshi Muranaga had been posthumously awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for heroism, the "event" has been must publicized, but no information or confirmation of such an award has been received so far by the Muranagas here.

However, Private Muranaga, son of Mr. and Mrs. Shoemon Muranaga of 10H-2D, formerly of Gardena, Calif., has been awarded the Purple Heart and just recently received posthumously the Presidential citation for meritorious service in the Italian campaign. He was killed in action in Italy on June 26, 1944.

Following is Drew Pearson's item on Private Muranaga as it appeared in his "Washington Merry-Go-Round" column:

The Veterans of Foreign Wars post "General William

Starke Rosecrans" at Gardena, Calif., has banned the names of Japanese-American soldiers from its service plaque. This means that a soldier receiving the second highest military medal in the U.S.A. will be barred from recognition by the V.F.W. at Gardena.

He is Kiyoshi Muranaga of Gardena, killed in action fighting with the American Army in Italy. Muranaga was posthumously awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, for heroism. Singlehanded, Private Muranaga manned a mortar in front of his own line, and duelled with the German 88 field piece which was imperiling the American forces.

So heroically did Private Muranaga fight with his one mortar against the big German gun that the enemy was forced to retreat. Private Muranaga stuck by his gun until he was killed. Now the Veterans of Foreign Wars in his home town will not include his name on their list of local heroes.

Sponsored by the Pacific Coast Committee on American Principles and Fair Play, the two-day conference was seeking to work out a program for the return of Japanese Americans.

Following additional points were made by Myer and other speakers for Federal agencies:

1--Of the approximately 75,000 still in camps, less than 400 have completed plans to come to the West Coast or go elsewhere in the country. They are proceeding carefully, with the bulk of the movement expected between March 1 and Sept. 1.

2--Japanese Americans who enter war work on returning to the coast will

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YOU ASK

THEY ANSWER

On page 7 of this issue is a new question-answer column devoted to answering specific questions in connection with the new WFA post-exclusion program.

If you have any pertinent questions, take them to your block manager or councilman, or to any member of the project director's Advisory committee. Any answer not available on the project will be submitted to the proper authority, and the answer will be published as soon as it is received.

ON VISIT RULE

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over week ends or during the day for social purposes. In cases where an evacuee in a nearby community has a valid reason to visit the center for relocation planning and where his presence is requested by center residents, he may be admitted with the prior approval of his outside relocation officer.

MOVIES



TONIGHT

No Movies

TOMORROW

7:00 p.m.--12K Mess hall

7:45 p.m.--11K Mess hall
(Palm Beach Story)

FRIDAY

7:00 p.m.-- 8K Mess hall

7:45 p.m.-- 7H Mess hall

SATURDAY

7:00 p.m.-- 6E Mess hall

7:45 p.m.-- 3E Mess hall

SUNDAY

No Movies

"Palm Beach Story," a lively comedy concerning an exasperated wife's determination to divorce her impractical but handsome husband and marry a millionaire, begins its three-night stand tomorrow.

This wondrously amusing romance teams Claudette Colbert and Joel McCrea, with Rudy Vallee excellently cast in a specialty role.

FREE MOVIES FOR CHILDREN

Free movies for children have been slated for this Saturday at Terry Hall, featuring a rip-roaring western, "Silver Stallion" starring David Sharpe and Chief Thunder Cloud.

Youngsters between the ages of 8 and 12 will be admitted to the morning showing, 9 o'clock, and kiddies under 8 will be admitted to the afternoon showing at 1 o'clock.

CO-OP NEWS

Co-op shareholders who have agreed to sell back their shares in excess of one and have signed such releases will receive their checks as soon as their respective block has been completely canvassed, announced Dr. T. Miyamoto, educational director.

Persons relocating are requested to leave their forwarding addresses or addresses of persons having their powers of attorney at the Co-op office before leaving the center.

VISITING

SOLDIERS
Pvt. Ichiro Kato, Fitzsimmons General hospital, Denver, Colo.; Pvt. Sam Miyano, Camp Blanding, Fla.; Pvt. Minoru Harada, Camp Shelby, Miss.

LA BUDDHIST TEMPLE NEGROES FIGHT EVICTION

A move to evict the Providence Baptist church from the Los Angeles Buddhist temple--first attempt of returning Japanese Americans to oust the Negroes and regain possession of Lil' Tokic--gave indication of becoming a court battle, according to the LA TIMES (Dec. 21, 1944).

The church and 75 Negro war-workers now housed in the temple had been given until Jan. 5 to vacate. Dr. L. B. Brown, pastor of the First Street Baptist church, announced that the church group has retained an attorney.

Rev. Julius A. Goldwater, a Buddhist priest who was given power of attorney by the Japanese owners to act as temple custodian, said he had requested the removal. He stated the lease expired on Jan. 5.

SCHOOL NEWS

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:
Miss Marie Mizutani, vocal music teacher, has resigned to relocate effective last Monday, announced Dr. Enoch Dumas, principal. She has been on the staff since last September.

Special music classes will no longer be possible in the elementary school, stated Dr. Dumas.

An exhibit featuring Mexico was the main attraction at the parents' meeting sponsored by Mrs. Letha Griffith's 6B class yesterday afternoon.

HIGH SCHOOL:

Mrs. Charles Hinman has succeeded Mrs. Peage as English social studies teacher.

Mrs. Severs is organizing a dramatics club.

ADULT EDUCATION:

Miss Shigeo Tanaka will begin instructing two new English classes at 3E-5E daily, Monday through Friday. Morning classes will begin at 9 o'clock and afternoon classes will start 1 o'clock.

He who says what he likes--hears what he does not like. --Ching Chow

FIELD CORN SOLD

Alton C. Lead, procurement officer, announced the sale of 40 acres of corn in the field, approximately 2000 bushels, to a private buyer. The crop was raised by the center farmworkers.

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS:

Pfc. and Mrs. James Kubochi, 12F-6A, a girl, Jan. 12.

Mr. and Mrs. Nobuo Sakiyama, 12G-9E, a boy, Jan. 14.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kishi, 6F-11D, a boy, Jan. 15.

DEATH:

Mrs. Tamine Miyano, 11F-1C, age 50, Jan. 11.

WANTED (center employment office):

- 5 warehousemen
- 10 clerks
- 10 clerk-typists
- 10 stenographers

Event	Time	Place
PROTESTANT		
Neighborhood Bible class	4:00 p.m. (Friday)	8K
Neighborhood Bible class	9:00 a.m. (Saturday)	9L
SEVENTH-DAY-ADVENTIST		
Prayer meeting	7:30 p.m. (Wednesday)	9H
Bible Lecture	7:30 p.m. (Thursday)	9H
Vesper Services	7:30 p.m. (Friday)	9H
Children's Sabbath school	9:00 a.m. (Saturday)	9H
Adult Sabbath school	10:00 a.m. (Saturday)	9H
Sabbath Worship	2:00 p.m. (Saturday)	9H
Vesper Services	7:30 p.m. (Saturday)	9H
SEICHO-NO-IYE		
Service	7:00 p.m. (Thursday)	12G

A round table discussion on "Good Home Life" will be conducted by Unesuke Karatsu at the Seicho-No-Iye meeting tomorrow night, 7 o'clock, at the 12G hall.

KASHIWABARA POTS 20 POINTS

With bounding Hiroko Kashiwabara pepper-potting for 20 points, the YEA Kal-Kolos whipped the much improved YBA Scrapperettes, 59 to 18.

The Kal-Kolos had a 19-9 lead at half-time.

Summary:

KAL-KOLOS (39)--Asakawa 11, Matsumoto, Kashiwabara 20, L. Morita 6, Nakamura 2, forwards; Hamatani, Furuno, R. Morita and Fukui, guards.

SCRAPPERETTES (16)--Otsuka 4, Takahashi 5, A. Kimura 4, S. Kawamoto, A. Kawamoto 3, forwards; B. Kimura, Morikawa, Shimono, Sako, Murakami, Hamatani and Ikesaki, guards.

FLAMES BLAZE

BAMBIS, 42-14

Powerful Flames sextet swept aside their third loop opposition in turning back the inexperienced but hard-fighting YBA Bambis (formerly Ol' Shots) team handily, 42-14.

High-scoring Norma Hamamoto tanked 19 points for the winners, while petite Mariko Shimada was Bambis' scoring "sensation" with 8.

Summary:

FLAMES (42)--Hamamoto 19, Nagoshi 8, Kinoshita 8, R. Shimada 5, Ikesaki 2, forwards; Yokoyama, Onomiya, M. Wada, Kubochi, A. Wada and M. Akutagawa, guards.

BAMBIS (14)--Hatanaka, Kobuke 3, Watanabe 3, Morita, Nishikawa, L. Shimada 8, E. Wada, forwards; Nakayama, Yagi, Yamaga, Kamikawa and Honda, guards.

RELOCATION

Tori Miyamoto, Chicago, Ill., Jan. 15.

Peter I. Doi, New York, N.Y., Jan. 16.

George Y. Hieshima, New Orleans, La., Jan. 16.

Kosaku Koro, Rocky Ford, Colo., Jan. 16.

Shiro Mori, Des Moines, Iowa, Jan. 18.

Tony T. Tanaka, Black Foot, Ida., Jan. 18.

Ann H. Yamamoto, Denver, Colo., Jan. 20.

Harumi Shimomura, Denver, Colo., Jan. 20.

Emma Himeno, with daughter, Emma Lee, Cambridge, Mass., Jan. 22.

LOCAL CAGERS TO PLAY DENVER MANCHU BEARS

A galaxy of 14 Amache casaba tossers, the "milk" of center basketball loop (the "cream" is in the Army), and two Las Animas stars will treat the local fans to a pair of fast, high-caliber maplewood tussles when they meet the invading Manchu Bears of Denver in the high school gym this Saturday night and Sunday afternoon.

The Manchu Bears, coached by Clark Taketa, is one of the classiest nisei outfits in the State, boasting such cage luminaries as Yuk Kuwahara, Kayo Senzaki, Archie Miyamoto and the Yoshioka brothers. Taketa is scheduled to bring 14 players for the two-game series.

With big Elmo Sakai and sharpshooting Ted Maruyama of Las Animas lending much-needed offensive threat, coupled with red-hot shooting of Unknowns' Shig Sugano, Amache cagers have a good chance of outscoring the Denver hot-shots.

Other members of the local squad are Jim Otsuki, George Maruyama, Johnnie Tsuruta, Hank Tsuruoka, Sam Nogawa, Mits Omoto, Shig Sakamoto, Tom Kaya-

hara, James Watanabe, Jack Iseri, Hank Shimada, Tad Kuwatani and Hideo Koike, Toshi Kawachi, CA basketball director, will be in charge of the team.

Players selected for the Manchu Bears games are to report for practice tomorrow night, 7 o'clock, in the high school gym.



KATONKS WIN ONE-SIDED FRAY OVER ROVERS

The rejuvenated Katonks slashed their way to a top-sided 60-31 victory over the outclassed Rovers' quintet last Sunday afternoon on the slippery high school maplewood. Winners had a 26-13 lead at half-time, which was stretched to overwhelming 47-19 margin at the three-quarter point.

Chunky Sam Nogawa of the Katonks put on the "heat" in the second half to singe the twine for 22 digits to lead the scoring parade, while Kenzo Arimoto did a vice versa in scoring all of his 14 points in the initial half.

Speedy Sat Hirano tallied 12 points for the Rovers.

Summary:

KATONKS (60)--Kumamoto 10, Nogawa 22, forwards; Watanabe 6, Tsutsui 2, centers; Arimoto 14, Yamagiwa 6 and Ioka, guards.

ROVERS (31)--Kunimoto 6, Furuya 4, forwards; Kuwatani 9, center; Tanaka, Hirano 12 and Mukaida, guards.

CAGE SCHEDULE

TONIGHT (7 o'clock)

Jinx vs. Bambis

Rovers vs. Zephyrs

GI'Niseis vs. Katonks

UNKNOWN'S

TRIM UBANGIS

After being hold to a close but small 2 to 1 first-quarter lead, the Unknowns' cagers gradually pulled away in the second canto to set up a 16-5 half-time lead and coasted in to a 35-22 triumph over the hard-fighting Ubangis last Monday night in the high school gym. It was the lowest first-quarter score this season where both teams broke into the scoring column.

Shig Sugano of the Unknowns led the scoring with 14 points, followed closely by Mits Omoto with 11. For the Ubangis, Paul Tanabe and George Maruyama were high scorers with 9 and 7 points respectively.

Summary:

UNKNOWN'S (35)--Omoto 11 and Sugiura 5, forwards; Sugano 14, center; Yoshida 2 and Otsuji 1, guards.

UBANGIS (22)--Maruyama 7, Torio 2, Yamaguchi 2, Ichikawa, forwards; Tanabe 9, center; Sato 2 and Iajiwara, guards.

MINIDOKAN WINS SILVER STAR FOR GALLANTRY

WITH THE SEVENTH ARMY IN FRANCE--Pfc. Paul K. Tahara, 442nd Combat Team rifleman, was awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action just after that unit's first contact with the Germans. Private Tahara and another enlisted man evacuated a wounded man more than 300 yards to safety by crawling turtle fashion with the wounded man lying across their backs, in full view of the enemy.

Private Tahara, a veteran of the Italian campaign is fighting the Germans in the Vosges mountains. He volunteered from Minidoka (Idaho) relocation center and was immediately assigned to the Japanese American Combat Team.

Urges' Return To California

According to a letter received by Herbert J. Vatcher, evacuee property officer, dated Dec. 29, W. S. Fukuda, formerly of Poston (Ariz.) relocation center had this to say about Anaheim, Calif.:

"If any of the boys ask you about coming back to California, tell them that there is nothing to be afraid of and that you also have proof of that fact by this letter."

ARMY-NAVY CASUALTIES

WASHINGTON--To the homes of 495,052 Americans in uniform during 1944 went messages like the following: "We regret to inform you---"

They contained news that a son, a husband, a brother had been killed, or was wounded, missing, interned or a prisoner.

Official Army and Navy casualty figures, as of Dec. 14, disclose that 82,634 US servicemen lost their lives in combat during the year. Of these, 70,676 were in the Army. An additional 318,157 were wounded--288,312 in the Army.

Still another 94,261 were missing, in enemy hands or interned--including 88,053 in the Army.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE'S OPEN LETTER TO RESIDENTS

This is a time for decision which requires much serious consideration. We know that many people in this center-liquidation period are facing difficult individual and family problems in making their plans for the future. We believe, also, that there is a solution somewhere for every problem.

The relocation office and counseling service as well as the family counseling service of the Welfare division are ready to discuss your problems with you and help you find those services through private sources or through government agencies which will be of greatest benefit to you in shaping your plans for the future. The Advisory committee is set up to furnish information on all difficult administrative questions.

The WRA fully recognizes the problems you have faced in the past and appreciates the spirit in which you have struggled against great odds. It also sincerely believes that America will in the future come to a fuller realization of the contribution you have made and will make to our American way of life. We believe that your industry, your thrift, your intelligence, your pride in your word of honor, and your law-abiding record will be recognized and applauded by America. We believe also that due to the unfortunate circumstances which you have undergone during the last three years that the entire country is moving toward a favorable understanding and recognition of you as a people.

This has come about in a large measure through the fighting ability and sacrifices of the 100th and the 442nd battalions in the European theater of war. As a result, America is developing an understanding of your spirit as exemplified by the Japanese-American soldiers whose slogan "Go For Broke" even in the face of past discrimination has inspired millions, and has undoubtedly led to the lifting of the ban on the West Coast.

Today America can utilize every available worker in all walks of life in every community of the country.

It is essential that every able-bodied man and woman find the place where he or she may work constructively. Here is an opportunity for center residents to take a constructive step toward developing greater favorable understanding on the part of America by making positive plans for their return to civilian life. This is an opportunity potentially as great as that grasped by the Japanese-American battalions to create for Japanese Americans an enviable position in American life.

We are convinced that this is not the time to look for reasons for remaining in the center for that is a hopeless and dreary prospect since there is no advantage to be gained in the center which cannot be gained many times over in a normal community. On the other hand, it is a time to look zealously for all those opportunities, and they are many, to return to an active position in our American life. This way lies hope and purpose and high courage which are the healthy attributes of every struggle.

James G. Lindley
James G. Lindley, project director
Coordinator

ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Tomitaro Nishizaki, Mrs. Alyce Ohama, Robbin S. Kaneko, Rev. George Yahiro, Hajime Takata, James Hikido, Takashi Shima.

W. Ray Johnson, Henry F. Halliday, William Fuller, Donald Horn, Herbert V. Vatcher, Dr. Lloyd A. Garrison, J. Ralph McFarling, Jacob Gorrild, Walter J. Knodel, Joe McClelland, and Willis J. Hanson, assistant coordinator.

Letters
TO THE EDITOR

To PM:

Dear Editor:

PM and many other newspapers are using extensively the term "Japanese-American." I fail to see why any group of Americans should be singled out for such a classification. Americans of Japanese descent is far more appropriate.

I hope you do not regard this as much ado about nothing. Here's to a little more justice from a just newspaper.

Freeport, N. Y. Ida Riman
 PM has not used extensively the term Japanese-American heretofore. But hereafter we will not use it at all.--Ed.

Editor of THE (FREESON) BEE--Sir: In a house to house canvass recently, a member of one of our committees from a patriotic order (one of the largest and oldest in the United States) found that of more than 600 persons conferred with (all American citizens) only five were in favor of any Japanese evacuees returning to the state at this time, and three of these stated they would want to know they were loyal before being returned.

Similar checkups have been going on throughout the West and the reports slow about the same average. The wishes of the American people have been ignored completely, and lives of our boys and the welfare of our citizens seem to mean little or nothing compared to the comfort and welfare of the Japanese evacuees.

Of course the Japanese have great cause for rejoicing, but in the face of overwhelming facts regarding the wishes of the American people, letters from some people would indicate they might profit by getting around and talking with a few real Americans.

Tulare. M. O. M.

"Bachelors' wives and old maids' children are always perfect."

--Chamfort

EVACUEE PROPERTY SHIPPING INFORMATION

An evacuee who wishes to arrange for shipment of personal property must request for such a shipment by filling out Form WRA-156, signing it and having the signature witnessed.

Evacuees are entitled to free shipment of household or personal effects from the original point of storage to a center or a point of relocation or, if they already have them in a center, to a point of relocation from the center. In the latter case, the request for shipment should be made to the project director of the center concerned.

WRA will furnish aid in getting information of transportation costs when an evacuee wishes to have a private company ship his property. Such requests should be made on Form WRA-153.

WRA will pay for shipment to point of relocation tools and equipment of an evacuee's trade, business or profession, including farm machinery and equipment sufficient for a family-sized venture (not to exceed 5000 pounds shipping weight a family), if the relocation officer in the community in which the evacuee relocates or intends to relocate will certify that the use of such tools, equipment or fixture is necessary to the evacuee's successful relocation. Otherwise, the property office will help only in making shipping arrangements, and the shipping costs, including packing, crating, loading and so forth, must be born by the evacuee.

All shipments must be made by freight, unless the project director or the relocation officer certifies that express shipment is necessary in the interest of the relocation program. Items of high value or of small size may be sent by express. Express shipment at government expense may not exceed 500 pounds shipping weight.

Evacuees should consult with and ask the advice of the property office in all matters pertaining to shipment of all types of goods, sale of all types of property or in matters involving rentals, leases, taxes or disputes arising from contracts. They are always welcome to avail themselves to the services offered.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q--Are evacuees who relocated to congested areas, such as Denver or Salt Lake City, and who never received a relocation assistance grant, eligible for a grant to move to another part of the United States other than the evacuated area?

A--NO.

Q--Are students who have granted an indefinite leave to attend educational institutions but who did not receive a relocation assistance grant now eligible for relocation assistance?

A--Student relocates are eligible under certain conditions but only if hardship is involved and student relocates can assist in relocation of other family members within a center.

Q--May evacuees returning to California secure business licenses from the State Board of Equalization?

A--Governor Warren has stated that all State departments will observe a policy of non-discrimination toward loyal returning evacuees.

Q--Is a patient who remained in a hospital in the evacuated area and who has now been discharged permitted to visit relocation centers?

A--Yes, under certain conditions, but they must first contact the West Coast relocation office serving the district in which they reside.

1945 CALENDARS

Evacuee residents who wish to send 1945 calendars made by the Silk Screen Shop to their friends on the outside may still obtain them at the 6E shop; Miss Campbell disclosed. These beautiful calendars were delivered by the silk screen workers to each apartment in the center few weeks ago.

ALONG THE COAST**REVELLES****EVICTIION FAILS; BIAS GROUPS****WIP KOOTIES**

WARD SPRINGS, Calif.--The first nisei couple to return to Alamoda country since the lifting of the exclusion orders, Mr. and Mrs. Yasuto Kato, were on route back to Topaz (Utah) relocation center, after failing to evict a tenant from their farm home.

Raymond Benbow, the tenant, stated he convinced Kato that the lease expires on March 26, and not on Dec. 31 as Kato had claimed.

HOLLYWOOD--Local American Legion Post No. 591 set a World War II precedent by adding a nisei name to its membership roll. He is Harley M. Oka, native of Santa Ana, Calif., who was discharged from the Army last month for medical reasons.

Oka was one of the 34 veterans sworn into the American Legion by Post Commander William Schneider. The Post No. 591 is composed entirely of World War II veterans.

SAN FRANCISCO--Representatives of Federal agencies pledged support to a program of fair play and non-discrimination in the reinstating of the nisei to cooperative citizenship.

Thus the Japanese Americans are assured services of Federal Social Security, Federal Housing, the US Office of Education, War Manpower Commission, the Public Health Service, the Civil Service Commission and the Children's Bureau.

BIAS GROUPS CLASSIFIED

Groups opposing return of the Japanese were classified by Myer:

1--Political groups who have been at it for years and who through such opposition feel they can gain political office.

2--The misled (the greatest group)--persons who want to do good, but are over-emotional and have been taught to hate.

3--The economic group--those who do not care to compete with the Japanese in business.

4--The "ashamed group." He described the last group as "those persons

TO ATTEND MEETING

Harlow M. Tomlinson, chief of internal security, is scheduled to attend a two-day meeting of the peace officers in Denver this Friday and Saturday, stated James G. Lindley, project director, Monday.

FARMERS WANT PROJECT LAND

WASHINGTON--Representative Chenoweth (Rep.) of Colorado has asked for an immediate action by the surplus property board toward leasing 10,000 acres of farm land at the Granada relocation center, Amache, Colo., last week.

In view of Interior Secretary Ickes' recent announcement that relocation centers will be closed soon, Chenoweth stated, many farmers want to lease the land and begin working it in February.

who have by various means stolen property from the evacuees, sold the equipment on their farms and not paid on notes."

LOS ANGELES--Return of any of the 22 nisei county government employees, until 90 days after the war ends, will be discouraged by the Board of Supervisors.

This was the policy formulated by the supervisors in the event any of the 22 Japanese American employees petitioned to come back to their jobs.

Chairman William A. Smith, however, pointed out there is no legal barrier preventing the Japanese returning to their jobs.

SACRAMENTO--State Senator Hugh W. Donnelly of Turlock disclosed that he will introduce a bill in the 1945 legislature to require the State department of education to license Japanese language schools.

He stated the outright elimination of Japanese schools would be unconstitutional.

The Reveilles' five nosed out the scrappy Kooties eggers, 23-20, to remain undefeated in the Troop league. It was tight ball game throughout, with the winners grasping a slim 16-15 lead at intermission.

Mits Ikoda of the Reveilles led the scoring with 12 points, while Kooties' Joe Maruyama followed closely with 11.

Summary:

REVELLES (23)--Ikoda 12, Hamada 1, forwards; K. Yamaga 1, center; S. Yamaga 5, Matsuoka 2 and Kametsuka 2, guards.

KOOTIES (20)--Maruyama 11, Asamoto 3, Hayashi, forwards; Tonai 1, center; Nakai 1, Yoshino 4 and Okubo, guards.

SORRY, ROSIE

In the Kal-Kolos--Ol' Shots (Bambis) girls' league tilt last Dec. 18, Rosie Morita scored 2 points but was not mentioned in the game summary in the PIONEER. Our apologies to Rosie for our unintentional error.

TELLS PLAN

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be eligible for war housing, Japanese Americans will not be encouraged to come to the congested war production centers--San Francisco, Los Angeles, Seattle and Portland--"unless they have the key to the house they intend to live in."

3--WRA will recommend to the United States Civil Service Commission that Japanese Americans be placed in the same category as any one else so far as loyalty tests for employment in public and war agencies is concerned.

4--Japanese Americans who are public charges--the aged, crippled, blind, etc.--will so far as possible be returned to States and counties where they held residence and will be a local responsibility.

Governor Warren sent the conference a telegram praising it for its efforts to "discourage friction during the period of the return of Americans of Japanese ancestry to our State."